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1. Crossposting Permitted to rec.radio.amateur.moderated

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-01 07:00:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting-1-1293865200@panix.com>
Source record: 5141
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting
Revision: 1.1 2009/04/12 19:42:04
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rram/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

After a 30-day public discussion and feedback period to gauge reader
opinions in March of 2009:

http://groups.google.com/group/rec.radio.amateur.moderated/browse_thread/thread/d7d337db35
f23326

the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team has decided to consider
amending its charter, and permit limited simultaneous crossposting to
rec.radio.amateur.moderated and one other unmoderated
amateur-radio-related discussion newsgroup. We are currently trying
this on a temporary basis (90 days, through early July 2009), and adopt
it permanently if successful.

Approved rec.radio.amateur.* newsgroups are those that are currently
listed in the latest version of the "List of Big Eight Newsgroups" which
is crossposted monthly to news.announce.newgroups, news.groups, and
news.lists.misc.

Approved alt.radio.amateur.* and alt.ham-radio.* newsgroups are those
that have been created consistent with the suggestions in "So You Want
to Create an Alt Newsgroup" at:

http://www.faqs.org/faqs/alt-creation-guide/

Approved regional hierarchy newsgroups are those that contain either
"radio.amateur" or "ham-radio" in their names, including
uk.radio.amateur and aus.radio.amateur.misc.

We will make every reasonable effort to keep our list of approved
newsgroups up-to-date. In case we have overlooked any, and a submission
is rejected in error as a result, the rejected submitter can E-mail us
at our administrative contact address (in the signature at the bottom of
this article, and the default Reply-To for the rejection message)
requesting that it be added, and that the article be approved. We may
still choose to reject articles crossposted to any alt.* newsgroup with
an inappropriate name, including obscene language, embedded
name-calling, or encouragement of unlawful conduct.
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Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-amateur-moderated-request@panix.com.

2. MMMonVHF Newsletter 2011-01-01

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-01 10:23:23 UTC
From: MMMonVHF News Mailer <nl@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <201101011015.p01AF0TJ017406@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 5142
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our lastet NEWSLETTER of the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2011-01-01
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter one or two times per week.
For further detail please be so kind and refer at our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - welcome and enjoy ...

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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!!! HAPPY NEW YEAR 2011 TO YOU AND YOUR FAMILIES !!!

** MMMonVHF Trophy: "Best VHF DX Expedition" of the Year 2010 **

As in the past years, as well the VHF DX Portal MMMonVHF start
to find the "Best VHF DX Expedition of the Year 2010".
The best expedition on 144 MHZ in the sector MS and/or EME will
be voted in the first 3 weeks of january 2011 as past years: Voting
is open from 01.01.2011 00:00UTC till 20.01.2011 23:59UTC
Link to the: http: Voting Page: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/dxvote.php
If you interesting to see the results of past year:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/trophy2009.php
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/trophy2008.php
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/trophy2007.php
SOURCE: Jani, HA5CRX on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

** OPEN VHF-MS CONTEST **

Contest is held during Quadrantids meteor shower. Start: 02 Jan.
2011, 16:00 UTC - End: 05 January 2011, 05:59 UTC - During Russian
Winter MS Contest! Band: 144 MHz - Modes: FSK441, HSCW, SSB.
For CQ in FSK441: 144.370 and 144.350 MHz
For CQ in HSCW: 144.100 (144.095 - 144.105) MHz
For CQ in SSB: 144.200 MHz - It is allowed to use DX-Cluster or
other open chats for skeds. ON4KST CHAT Recomended.
REMARKS WELLCOME CONTESTERS AND SPONSORS
All Infos at their Homepage: http://www.opencontest.org
SOURCE: UT5UUV direct to MMMonVHF

** 50 RASE DX SPRINT **

Hi all, new sprint tournament on 50 Mhz:
http://www.rasedx.com/content/view/248/12/
Stay tuned - 73s and HNY
SOURCE: tnx to EB7COL direct to MMMonVHF

** Reactivating the EME VHF Net on 14.345 MHz **

EME net saturday and sunday at 1600 Z on 14.345. Everyone welcome
CW/SSB & Digital.. SOURCE: 73 Stece N4PZ direct to MMMonVHF

** JO34 in 2011 **

Dear friends - we are planing to be qrv again in several contests
from Helgoland, JO34WE, as well in the year 2011 - from our side now
following request: Is JO34 as well (on TROPO) on 23cm-band wanted ?
Please be so kind and send your interest to dg7tg"at"web.de
SOURCE: Thorsten DG7TG DR3M direct to MMMonVHF

** INFOS from ICELAND **

Jonas Bjarnason (TF2JB), President of the Icelandic Radio Amateurs
(IRA), reports that the Icelandic Post and Telecom administration
has extended access to the 500 kHz (493-510 kHz), 70 MHz (70.000-
70.200 MHz) and 5 MHz bands by two years, until 31 December 2012.
As for 60 metres, TF operators have been granted 150 kHz (5360-
5410 kHz) instead of the previous eight fixed channels, but the
maximun power allowed has been reduced from 200 to 100 watts.
SOURCE: 425 DX News #1025

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: FG ; Square: FK96 ; Start: 2010-12-29 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3447

Guadeloupe Island (French Antillas, FK96HF) qrv on 144 MHz EME
since 29.12.2010! LATEST NEWS, from Phil, dated 2010-12-28:
Just finished to assembly and test, it is 17 h local time and I
take the red color !!here around 30ï¿½ and 76% of humidity I will
be qrv on 29 at 05H15 UTC, my moonrise for the 1st try , QRG will
be on 144,143 because birdies on 144 , the freq can change if
necessary . FG4KH always 1st I cannot have full elevation, but
it will change in the next days Hope all will be ok, I cross the
fingers! LATEST NEWS, from Phil, dated 2010-12-29: All has worked

nice, not to much noise, but today no full elevation so the trafic
stopped at 10 UTC, sorry for NA window. First day with 42 stations
in log , tomorrow I will be QRV again since my moon rise with full
elevation. For log on line updated, follow link below - 73 all
LOG is at: fgdxpeditionf1duz.monsite-orange.fr/logonline/index.html

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** DXCC: VK9N ; Square: RG30 ; Start: 2011-01-07 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3555

Norfolk Island (RG30XX) DX Expedition, 2011
VK9NA will have 2m EME capability via WSJT (or CW for a few).
One long yagi (12m) and about 300w. More details on vk9na.com in
the blog page. Operating schedule not published yet, still under
discussion. Operators arrive on Norfolk Island on 7th January,
station assembly on the 8th. Operation ceases on 20th January.
Planning to operate on 50, 144, 432, 1296, 2403, 5760, 10368. Yagis
up to 432, 1.2m dish for higher bands. 75w on 10 GHz from TWT.
SOURCE: 73 Andrew VK1DA to the MoonNet

** DXCC: C5 ; Square: IK13 ; Start: 2011-02-11 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3654

MOONBOUNCE from THE GAMBIA (C56 / IK13QL)
After the very successfull DXpedition to Mauritius last year (3B8EME
with 340 QSO's on 144 MHz and 7 inits om 432 MHz) Rene PE1L will try
again to make moonbounce QSO's from the Gambia on 144 MHz and 432 MHz
This time Eltje PA3CEE and Johan PE9DX will join the party again.
Don't change a winning team! We will be QRV moonbounce 2 meter as
C56EME, a special moonbounce permit is requested. If all ok we will
have a small 70cm setup with us. From February 11th until February
21st 2011, C56EME will be active from the Gambia on 144 MHz moon-
bounce. The locator will be IK13ql... read all and more in detail:
Welcome to The Gambia moonbounce site! www.emelogger.com/gambia
and here at MMMonVHF: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3654
SOURCE: tnx to Rene, PE1L direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: KH0 / KH2 **

Bodo , DL3OCH, was qrv from DU (PJ18) for some QSOs on 23cm.
He have to quit now and as well he told that KH2/KH0 operation
is canceled as well defenatly now...
SOURCE: tnx to Bodo, DL3OCH direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!

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** PY1KK qrv from GG76qs on 6m / 70cm **

Hello all, All ready here at the coast qth on both 70cm and 6m.
70cm setup is a 4m dish, xpol patch-feeder, LNAs at feeder, R&S
at 800W, and IC-910H. 6m setup is single 1 wl horizontally polarized
yagi, no elevation, IC-PW1 and IC-746PRO. Some echoes have been
seen, but no EME qso yet. Will be qrv on both bands during the
whole January. I thank you for the nice lunar activity during the
ending year, and wish you all a very nice New Year of 2011.
Vy 73 de Bruce, PY1KK / PY2BS via W7GJ s [Magic Band EME]

** TA2AD on 6m EME **

Hello! This morning, TA2AD became the first TA station to complete
a contact on 6m EME during his moonset. It was also a DXCC #163 for
me (#111 via 6m EME). The Kp was 2.0 and Degradation was -1.6 dB.
My understanding is that Sua was using 200w and some sort of yagi
relatively close to the ground. His JT65A signal only -28 dB here.
SOURCE: Lance, W7GJ via [Magic Band EME]

** JD1 qrv HF and Satellites **

Makoto, JI5RPT (JD1BLY) and Harry, JG7PSJ (JD1BMH) will once again
be active from Chichijima Island (IOTA AS-031, WLOTA 2269, WFF
JAFF-090, JCG #10007) between 24 December 2010 and 8 January 2011.
QRV on all bands 160-10m, with focus on the lower bands, using CW,
SSB, Digital and the satellites. JD1BLY will be active between
24 December 2010 and 3 January 2011, while JD1BMH will be active
between 30 December and 8 January 2011. QSL via the bureau to the
JD1 callsigns or direct to their home callsigns...
SOURCE: ICPO Bulletin (24-31 Decenber 2010)

** The DEM. REPUBLIC OF CONGO is qrv again until Jan.11th, 2011 **

Barney, ZS6TQ (es-ZS4U), is now active as 9Q0HQ/6 until Jan. 11th,
2011. Activity will be mainly on the weekends and some days during
the week after 1800z. Operations will be on 40/20/15/10/6 meters
using CW, SSB and PSK31. QSL via K3IRV...
SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #991

** 3D2, FIJI, activity in march april **

Operators Eddie/VK4AN, Kenneth/OZ1IKY and possibly others are
planning a big operation as 3D2A to the Fijis between March 15th
and April 2nd in 2011. They are currently looking for experienced

DXers to join them during this operation. They state that their activities will be from Nadi in a "3-story 2-br luxury a/c apartment with roof top antennas including a full-size 160m Inverted Vee or delta-loop, Spiderbeam, DX-88 and other antennas!" Activity will be on all bands (160-6m) and modes but with a concentrating on the lower bands. Operations will include participation in the BARTG RTTY and CQ WPX SSB DX Contests. If you would like to join their team, contact Eddie, VK4AN, at: vk4an@wia.org.au Also, via SKYPE at < ewdeyoung >. More details are available at their "Pacific DXers" Wweb page at: http://pacific-dxers.com ADDED NOTE: Eddie, VK4AN, is also planning activity from Naura (C2) in mid-to-late 2011 and is looking for experienced DXers to join them for a 2 week operation. SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #991

** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php) to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next thursday 2359 UTC ...

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The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF - Newsletter Credits & Info
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Our Newsletter is compiled from the input of the USER of the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF and as well by a lot of free usable HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USER who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/kontact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY & PA4EME

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3. SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 02 JANUARY 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-01 20:00:20 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <20110101200007.358E133C37@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 5143
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 02 JANUARY 2011

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'ARMI' and follow the links. PLEASE NOTE: for audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 and 3,695 MHz SSB. (Other news readers change as applicable).

SILENT KEY

It is with regret that it has to be announced that the key of Scotty Vallance, ZS5SV, a member of the Highway Amateur Radio Club, became silent on 29 December 2010.

Our sincere condolences to his wife, Merle, family and friends in this difficult time.

(PAUSE)

In the news today:

SARL PREPARING DOCUMENTATION TO INCREASE 160 METRE ALLOCATION

MAJOR EFFORT TO "CLEAN" SARL DATA BASE UNDERWAY

BOOKING NOW OPEN FOR THE PIC COURSE IN GAUTENG

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting news items.

SARL PREPARING DOCUMENTATION TO INCREASE 160 METRE ALLOCATION

The SARL is preparing documentation to have access to more of the 160 metre band for amateur communication in South Africa. You are invited to make input by sending your views why it is necessary to expand the very narrow allocation currently available to South African amateurs. Please include in your motivation items such as propagation studies and of what benefit an expanded 160 metre allocation will be. Send the information to zs6akv@sarl.org.za by end January. The SARL proposal will be presented at the next SARL/ICASA liaison meeting planned

February 2011.

MAJOR EFFORT TO "CLEAN" SARL DATA BASE UNDERWAY

A team of volunteers under the leadership of the SARL Data Base Administrator, Colin de Villiers, ZS6COL, are working on the SARL data Base in order to update the call book and free-up many call signs that appear not to have been in use for many years.

The SARL maintains a database of members of the SARL at the SARL offices at the National Amateur Radio Centre. The database is designed specifically to administer membership subscriptions, print labels for the distribution of Radio ZS and conduct the operation of the QSL Bureau. It is a rather complex database that takes into account duplicate call signs held by members, Special Event call signs and also retains details of Silent Keys for a number of years in order to handle QSL cards that have been known to arrive as much as 10 years after the contact was made. This is of particular significance to the efficient operation of the QSL Bureau. It is also used for AGM communications to members and more recently has an added SMS facility for alerting members in the various regions of SARL sponsored events in their area.

Please support this effort by doing the following" 1) Please go to the Web call book and check your callsign details for accuracy. The team has made many corrections to the database and want to be sure that we have not introduced any errors.

2) If you find that your call sign is not on the Web callbook and you know that it was previously there, then this means that you were one of the 650 people that the team has removed from the callbook as the ICASA database shows you are not licensed. We hope that you do not find this to be the case as only call signs where there had been no recorded activity for 16 years and where ICASA has shown you as being unlicensed for most of those years were removed.

If you feel that this is not correct i.e. you have a valid paid up licence for 2010, you are invited to send Colin a scanned copy of your licence for further investigation. The email address is dataproject@sarl.org.za.

3) Please do not communicate on behalf of somebody else unless you are able to send a copy of their licence. Please note that only communications that are accompanied by this proof will be actioned or responded to.

For detailed discussion on the process, visit www.sarl.org.za. You find all the information on the home page.

BOOKING NOW OPEN FOR THE PIC COURSE IN GAUTENG

The SARL will be presenting the popular course "learn how to work with Microchip PIC's, how to programme them and use them in projects" on 29 January in Gauteng.

During 2011 only two PIC courses will be presented, Gauteng on 29 January and in Cape Town on 16 July. Booking for the Gauteng course is now open. Visit www.sarl.org.za and select RTA on the left hand menu and follow the links.

ARE YOU A SHORTWAVE LISTENER?

With many changes for Amateur Radio Mirror International planned for introduction later this month, including a name change, new web pages, and new features, the SARL is looking for a keen Shortwave Listener to present a 5 minute slot on all aspects of shortwave listening. If you are the person to take up the challenge and have your own regular radio column send an email to armi@sarl.org.za with your telephone number and we will contact you to discuss the details and logistics.

SATELLITE MEETING IN GAUTENG

Eddie Leighton,ZS6BNS, will be anchoring a meeting on satellites on Saturday 15 January at the National Amateur Radio Centre. Learn more about operating amateur satellites, how to build a simple satellite antenna, how to track and all the ins and outs of this fascinating part of Amateur Radio. It starts at 10 am. Find out how you can get involved in the SA AMSAT CubeSat project.

The NARC is situated at Sender Technology Park, Octave road, Radiokop, Roodepoort.

HUNTING LIONS IN THE AIR

The radio amateurs and the Lions Club of Eshowe are planning to observe Saturday 15 January as an opportunity for Lions Clubs to exchange greetings on the air via Amateur Radio. The birthday of the founder of Lionism, Melvin Jones, born in 1879 at Ft. Thomas, Arizona USA is commemorated on 13 January.

The Eshowe Lions will be on the air from 14:00 CAT and want to exchanging greetings with other Lions and radio clubs in South Africa and/or the rest of the world - no prizes - but exchange QSL cards and 'make friends.'

If there are Lions and radio clubs around the country interested in joining the radio amateurs and the Eshowe Lions Club on Saturday 15 January 2011, please contact Willie, ZS5WI, at zs5wi@telkomsa.net, and give him your information.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is still at low levels. 2010 came to a close with a flurry of new sunspots. One region rotated into view on the eastern limb, and at the same time, three new sunspots have suddenly popped up. One of these regions located in the northern hemisphere appears to be growing at a good pace. Another region in the south is existing region 1 139. May 2011 be full of sunspots for all of us! The effective sunspot number is expected to be less than 20 for the coming week.

15 m will provide the best opportunities for DX followed by 20 m. Conditions to India will be good from the afternoon till after sunset. During the afternoons conditions will be fair towards Europa on 15 m, later to be followed by fair 20 m openings. Early evening 15 m contacts with the USA are possible. Contacts with Australia are possible on 20 m during the late afternoons. 15 m openings to Brazil and South America are possible during the afternoons. With the good 15 and 20 m openings 17 m will also be full of surprises.

For the CW and digital enthusiasts 30 m may be very rewarding with openings to many parts of the world.

Locally 40 m is the work horse for contacts around the country with 20 and 30 m also being very useful for contacts over the longer distances. 80 m will be best during the early mornings and late afternoons as well as over the shorter distances.

80 m is the frequency of choice during the evenings.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

15 January - Hunt Lions on the Air from 10:00 CAT; 15 January - Satellite meeting at 10:00 CAT the NARC; 20 January 2011 - Closing date for submission for application for the May 2011 RAE bursaries; visit www.amateurradio.org.za for application forms; 20 January - Closing date for submission of proposals and synopsis of papers for 2011 SA AMSAT Space Symposium to saamsat@intekom.co.za; 29 January - PIC course at the NARC in Gauteng; 30 January 2011 - Closing date for phase 1 of the construction competition; 31 January - Proposals for extension to 160 m-band to be in to zs6akv@sarl.org.za.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit terms of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Mirror International every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 560 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za , click on 'ARMI' and follow the links. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 22:05 CAT on 3 215 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by George, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening, 73.

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4. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #992

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-02 21:47:09 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <545053.93333.qm@smtp108.sbc.mail.gq1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 5144
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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 26th-December, through Sunday, 2nd-January there were 219 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5V, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H40, HA, HB, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J8, JA, JD/m, JD/o, JT, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH9, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TR, TT, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VP2V, VP8, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZD9, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS, ZS8

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

2010 DX SOUND BITES! Tom, K8CX, has done it again. He has provided DXers with 131 memorable DX sound clips from 2010. Visit Tom's famous "HAM GALLERY" Web at: http://hamgallery.com/dx2010
While there also check out some of his other features on his Web page,

such as: 13 years of "Rare DX Sound Clips" of the past (as well as some clips from the 1960's and 1970's), QSL Card Museum, Dayton Photo Galleries and Tribute to Silent Key Ham Operators. Tom state, "If anyone has any old HF recordings, I would be interested in hearing from them."

2011 DX MARATHON IS UNDERWAY!! John, K9EL, CQ DX Marathon Administrator, reports: "CQ Magazine's 2010 DX Marathon is now over. Please visit <http://www.dxmarathon.com> for details on submitting your score. Submissions must be in by 2359z, January 31st, 2011. High claimed scores will be posted on the website after the submission deadline. Winners for 2010 will be announced mid-year 2011 in CQ Magazine. The 2011 Marathon is now underway. EVERY Country is a new one! 2011 Score Sheets are available on the website."

3B8 & 3B9, MAURITIUS AND RODRIGUES ISLANDS. Bogdan, SP2FUD, will be active as 3B8/SP2FUD from Mauritius Island (AF-049) between February 8-17th, and as 3B9/SP2FUD from Rodrigues Island (AF-017) between February 18-22nd. Activity from both places will be on the HF bands using SSB and RTTY. QSL via his home call sign.

3B9, RODRIGUES ISLAND. After his Mauritius (AF-049), Slavo, SP2JMB, will once again be active as 3B9/SP2JMB from Rodrigues Island (AF-017) between February 18-22nd. Activity will be on all HF bands CW, while his wife Dorota, SP2TO, will be active on SSB. Look for him to also be in the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 19-20th) as a Single-Op entry. QSL via his home callsign.

3D2, FIJI. Udo, DL9HCU, is once again in the Pacific for about 2 months and will be active as 3D2HC from Fiji (OC-017). He likes 20 meters CW, so watch 14002 or 14025 kHz between 0500-0800z. Also, watch 14183 kHz (after 0500z), Udo will sometimes check into the ANZA Net. It is reported that he might not go island hopping this year as he has done in the past due to poor conditions for QRP. QSL via DL9HCU, by the Bureau or direct to: Udo Moeller, Mienenbuettel 4, 21629 Neu Wulmstorf, GERMANY.

4L, GEORGIA. Operator Daniil, UT5EO, will be active as 4L0A from Obcha during the CQ 160-Meter CW Contest (January 28-30th) a Single-Op/High-Power entry. QSL via LoTW.

4S, SRI LANKA. Matts, SM6LRR, will be active as 4S7LRG between January 22nd and February 5th. Activity will be between a holiday and semi-holiday style operation with a focus on 160/80/40 meters with a possible serious effort in the CQWW 160m CW Contest (January 28-30th) -- provided that permits for a specific good Top-Band location are received. His focus is to give North America stations a new one on 160m. QSL via his home callsign. More info is forthcoming on QRZ.com.

60M NEWS. Jose, CT1EEB, informs OPDX: "This is no doubt a good new-years eve present. Today in the mailbox there was an envelope from Anacom with the license to continue with the 60m band propagation tests. This license is valid between the 1st of January 2011 to the 30th of April 2011 on 5371.5 kHz and 5403.5 kHz both SSB and CW. I have actually asked for

two more additional frequencies in this band but the request was denied. Phase1 tests made during the 1st of May 2010 and the 31st of July 2010 produced a report sent to Anacom and to the Military, the report can be seen at: http://www.qsl.net/ct1eeb/60m/CT1EEB_5MHz.pdf
I just received word that Mike, CT1IUA, located at the Southern tip of Portugal also received the same permit from Anacom, and I'm sure that Carlos', CT1END, license will be renewed as well."

6V7, SENEGAL. Luc, F5RAV, will once again be active from La Somone between February 26th and March 7th. He will be operating from Jean-Francois, 6W7RV, QTH as 6V7T. Activity will be on SSB and PSK31, and on 160-10 meters (including 17 and 12m with a dipole only). He is planning to be in the French REF SSB Contest (February 26-27th) and the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 5-6th). QSL via only direct to his home callsign. See details on QRZ.com. Also, visit his BLOG page at: http://f5rav.free.fr

8P, BARBADOS. Operators Tony/N3ME and Bernie/W3UR will be active as 8P9ME and 8P9UR, respectively, from the Cave Bay area in St. Philip Parish between January 26th and February 14th. Activity will be on all HF bands using CW, SSB, PSK and RTTY. QSL via their home callsigns, direct, by the Bureau or the LoTW.

8Q, MALDIVES. Marco, DH1IAC, will be active as 8Q7AC from Farukolufushi (Club Faru) between January 4-18th. Bands and modes of activity were not provided, but he will use a FT-857 into an Atas 25 and Atas 120 portable antennas. QSL via his home address on QRZ.com.

C6, THE BAHAMAS. Randy, W6SJ, will once again head to Grand Bahama Island (NA-001) in February. He expects to be on the air as C6AWS between February 3-9th. Activity will be holiday style (when not fishing) CW only and with a focus on the 30/17/12 meter bands. QSL via LoTW or to W6SJ, direct or by the Bureau.

CY0, SABLE ISLAND (Update). Randy, N0TG, reports, "Storms that caused our failed attempt to access Sable on December 6th have continued throughout the month. For sure, Sable is not easy to get to, thus perhaps the move up in the DX Magazine's "2010 Most Wanted Countries Survey" rankings to No. 50 overall, No. 36 RTTY, and No. 14 in Asia. The time frame for our next attempt is March 2011. Prior to traveling to our takeoff point in Canada we desire to observe somewhat stable weather and suitable beach landing conditions. Thus, we will keep our personal schedules flexible in order to be able to travel on short notice. Thanks to all for being patient and the expressions that have encouraged us; we are determined and eager to get on the air. The Web site will be updated as new information develops. <http://www.CY0dxpedition.com>".

DX0, SPRATLY ISLANDS. Just a reminder that 37 operators from 15 countries will take part in a three teams efffort to put DX0DX on air between January 6th and February 1st. Activity will be from Thitu Island on all bands and modes. QSL Manager is N2OO. For more information about the DXpedition, including pictures of the team arriving in DU-land and the list of suggested frequencies, please check out their Web site at:

http://www.dx0dx.net
AN INSIDE LOW BAND TIP FOR EASTCOAST STATESIDE: Don't look for them until the 9th at the earliest - but watch your LONG PATH from the S/SW at about 1030z for them on both 80 and 160 meters - this is BEFORE your sunrise. They may peak at your sunrise time again but it may be better earlier on at 1030z (which is just after the Eastcoast sunset). They will be on the SUNSET path around 2200z or so from the East/SE path or over Europe depending on the skew.

DX MAGAZINE PUBLISHES 2010 MOST WANTED RESULTS. The DX Magazine's "2010 Most Wanted Survey" has been published in their latest Jan/Feb 2011 issue. The survey that most DXers go by should soon be available online at: http://dxpub.com/dx_news.html
The survey was conducted between September and October of 2010. The listing shows the top 100 World-Wide and also includes the ranking for 2009, for comparison. The "Top Ten Most Wanted" are as follows:

2010 PREFIX / COUNTRY 2009 2010 PREFIX / COUNTRY 2009
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1 P5 • North Korea 1 6 FT5/Z • Amsterdam 9
2 KP1 • Navassa 2 7 ZS8 • Marion Island 3
3 3Y • Bouvet 4 8 VP8/S - South Sandwhich 10
4 7O • Yemen 5 9 FT5/W • Crozet 7
5 VK0/H • Heard Island 6 10 BS7 • Scarborough Reef 11

FR8, REUNION ISLAND. Frederic, ex-F5INL, will be active as FR8NE from Reunion Island (AF-016) until July 2012. Activity will be on 20/17/15/12/10 meters using mostly CW. QSL direct to Frederic Bossu, 2 Chemin des Grenadiers, 97490 Sainte Clotilde, Reunion Island or by the Bureau.

H44, SOLOMON ISLANDS. Bernhard, DL2GAC, informs OPDX that he will once again be on a DX vacation in the Solomon Islands. He is expected to arrive in Honiara, the capital, on January 13th and will (expected) depart on April 12th. He will once again be active as H44MS, usually on SSB only but will probably focus on the 80 and 40 meter bands. QSL via DL2GAC .

IOTA NEWS.....
AF-004. Luis, EA8AY, will once again be active as ED8T from Tenerife during the in ARRL DX CW Contest (February 19-20th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via LoTW. Visit Luis's Web page at: http://www.ea8ay.com/cw4evr/index.html

NA-062. Operators Wade/AA8LL and Roger/K0RMK will be active as home-call/4 from Key Largo, FL. This also counts for USI FL049S. Activity will be holiday style operating CW, SSB and RTTY, on 40-12 meters using 200 watts and wire antennas. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 7030, 10114, 14040, 18098, 21040, 24910 and 28040 kHz
SSB - 7155, 14260, 18128, 21260 and 24950 kHz
RTTY - 7039, 10139, 14079, 21810, 21079 and 24925 kHz
QSL AA8LL/4 direct or by the Bureau to AA8LL. AA8LL/4 logs

will also be uploaded into the LoTW and eQSL. QSL K0RMK/4
direct or by the Bureau to K0RMK.

IO7, ITALY (Special Event). Just a reminder that operators Fred/IK7JWX
(SSB), Vincenzo/I7PXV (SSB and CW) and Mike/IK7FPX (SSB) will activate
the special callsign IO7DAI from the Abbeys of Lecce and Province between
now and March 31st. Activity is to provide contacts for the special
"Italian Abbeys Award Diploma Abbazie Italiane". For rules, see the Web
site at: http://www.aribusto.it/dai_rules.htm
Send QSO data to the QSL Manager IK7JWX via: ik7jwx2003@yahoo.it
All QSOs will be QSLed via Bureau; if you wish QSL via direct, send
1 USD. The logs will be available on the Web site at:
http://www.enzolog.org/login.php

ISWL CELEBRATION. Throughout the year 2011, the members of the Inter-
national Short Wave League (ISWL) will be celebrating 65 years of service
to "Licensed Amateurs" and "Short Wave Listeners". Look for the callsign
GB65ISWL to be active from several locations throughout the year. The
QSL Manager is Herbie, G6XOU. QSL cards will be returned on a QSLR basis.
QSL details are on QRZ.com. All logs will automatically be uploaded to
eQSL.cc (LoTW is NOT use). Also, look for Fred, PA0FAW, to be active as
PA65ISWL between now and January 28th. Both callsigns can be claimed for
the ISWL Monitor award. For more details, see the ISWL Web page at:
http://www.iswl.org.uk

J3, GRENADA. Roy, KE4TG, will be active as J38RF between February 9th
and March 10th. His primary interest is the Digital modes using a K-3
with a G5RV and phased vertical antennas. Please note that he will try
to be active on 60 meters on channel 5. QSL via his home callsign.

J7, DOMINICA. The "Buddies in the Caribbean" DXpedition (Team #1), which
specializes in 100 watts or less low power radios and the Buddipole
portable antenna systems, will be going to Dominica, February 1-9th.
The team plans to stay at the Calibashie Cove hotel on the north shore
of Dominica <http://www.calibishiecove.com>. After two very successful
mini-DXpeditions to St. Lucia in 2010, the team looks forward to demon-
strating their capabilities for an "ultralite" DXpeditioning into magnifi-
cent vista locations, operating a field portable, battery-only radio
with backpackable, lightweight antennas and most of all having fun on
the island of Dominica. The entire mini-DXpedition is limited to equipment
that can fit in their airline suitcase. The eight operators are: Budd/W3FF,
Chris/W6HFP, Wey/K8EAB, Mike/KC4VG, Steve/wG0AT, Paul/KB9AVO, Dan/WZ1P
and Guy/N7UN. The J7 license applications are currently being processed.
There will be 3 Villa stations in operation at various times on 160-10
meters using CW, SSB, and RTTY. During the day several teams will be
battery-only, field portable either from Dominica beaches or scenic
mountain tops. 160m and 80m CW operations are planned, conditions
permitting. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, or mail to the operator's home callsign
(SASE required). A Web page is under development for this operation.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (For January 3-9th)....
Jan 3 AN SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS

Jan 4 HN ----------
Jan 5 HN BN - Below Normal
Jan 6 HN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Jan 7 AN LN - Low Normal
Jan 8 AN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Jan 9 AN DIS - Disturbed
VDIS - Very Disturbed

GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

LU1, SOUTH SHETLAND ISLANDS. Diego, LU8DIP, is now active as LU1ZS from the Antarctic Base Teniente Camara on Half Moon Island (AN-010) until mid-March. Most activity has been on 20 meters SSB and some 40 meters. QSL via only LU4DXU.

P29, PAPUA NEW GUINEA (IOTA DXpedition). Derek, G3KHZ/P29NI, is organizing a 6th trip to P26-land in April to activate three rare Papua New Guinea IOTAs. This time the destinations will be Feni (OC-101), Nuguria (OC-257) and Green Island (OC-231). He informs that there is one operating position left. If you would like to join the team please contact G3KHZ at: g3khz@derekcox.plus.com

PJ2, NETHERLANDS ANTILLES. After his ZF6AM operation (see ZF below) John, K6AM, will be active as PJ2T from the Signal Point Station on Curacao (SA-006, WLOTA LH-0942) during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 5-6th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. He informs that he will not do too much operating outside the contest. QSL via LoTW or direct to N9AG.

POSSIBLE NEW DXCC ENTITY? Some 3 million Sudanese will be voting on a referendum on independence on January 9th. It looks like the Southern Sudan may be reborn again. This act of secession should put to rest Africa's longest and bloodiest civil war. Stay tuned! For more details, visit the following:
http://www.guardian.co.uk/commentisfree/2010/dec/27/sudan-two-countries
http://edition.cnn.com/2011/WORLD/africa/01/01/sudan.vote.bashir

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated January 2nd)

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9Q0HQ/6 via K3IRV (12/2010-01/2011) II1ITA via IW1FGZ PA11HNY via
PA7LZ
A71/JY5FX via JY5FX II1TLA via I1YRL PA100SCOUT via
PC2S
AP2NK via W3HNK II9RASM via IT9TFX PE10MERRY via
PA3ATN

CE7/F6DXE via F6DXE IR7WFF via IK7JWX PY2VA via I8LWL
DA0KOLPING via DJ6SI (Bureau) J5V via JA1PBV RG9A via R9XC
DA2MORSE via DJ4EY (QSL not needed) J28RO via F8DFP SC7IPA via
SM7GUY
DK150RB via DL1SBF (Bureau) JD1BLY via JI5RPT SN3B via SQ3JPV
DQ5T via DL4LAM K4R via KC4H SN4FON via
SP9KDC
DR15ZBAY via DC5CQ KP4MS via W4DN SU/DL1ELX via
DL1ELX
DU8/DL3OCH via DL3OCH KU2F/KH0 via JE1SCF SX3B via SV1BDO
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EA5/NP3D via W3HNK LU5FF via EA5KB T6AE via IW2KKI
EA6/S56CW/P via S56CW LU7YZ via EA7FTR T6AF via EB7DX
EA8/DH2MS via DH2MS LZ9X via LZ1RB V5/DK1CE via
DH3WO
EI/MI0ADX via MI0ADX LZ11PGP via LZ1KZA VK2IZI via EB7DX
EN1QFF via US3QQ N5BEK/TI7 via N5BEK (direct**) XE1/DJ4EL via
DJ4EL
HG2010P via HA-Bureau OD5ET via EB7DX ZL50GH via
ZL1ANH
II0ITA via IQ0RM OE50RJJ via OE9RJJ ZP9SC via EA5KB

* only direct
** direct to N5BEK TI-address: Phil Phillips, Potrero, Santa Cruz,
Gte. 19-5111, Costa Rica

OLD QSL COLLECTION (Update). Jean Michel, F6AJA, wants to remind everyone
to visit the Les Nouvelles DX (LNDX) Web page to see more than 8300 old
QSL cards in several different albums/galleries. This site contains:
- The ten most wanted DXCC entities (2004 to 2009) with more than
300 QSLs
- At least one card for each 58 deleted DXCC countries (more than
1100+ QSLs)
- Nearest the totality of current prefixes, disappeared now (more
than 3100+ QSLs)
- Album for stations from Magrebh - 1947 to 1962 (more than 300+ QSLs)
- More than 800 QSLs from the Antarctic bases.
- Nearly 260 QSLs from the TAAF (Terres Australes and Antarctiques
Francaises).
- More than 300 QSLs for the rare French Pacific Islands such as
FK/C, FO/C, FO/A, FO/M, FO/C and FW
- Nearly 100 cards from Eparses Islands such as FR/B/E/G/J/T
- More than 900 cards for the old timer with more than 120 countries
before 1945.
- A card from the French Department before 1945.
- One card from each of the states in the U.S. before 1945.
The URL address for the Web site is: http://LesNouvellesDX.free.fr
Some cards are still needed for the collection, and your particip-
ation is welcome. Please visit their site and give them your comments
by sending an E-mail to: LesNouvellesDX@free.fr

POSTAL RATES FROM ITALY. Silvano, I2YSB, informs OPDX that it is bad news on the POSTAL RATES from Italy as of January 1st:
0.75 EUR for Europe (+15% increase)
1.60 EUR outside Europe (+88% increase)
2.00 EUR Pacific (VK-ZL-ecc.+100% increase)
This is for lightweight letters, max 20 grams (2 QSL) standard size. Should you want to receive a direct QSL from I2YSB QSL Manager, please include: 2 USDs for Europe + SAE and 3 USDs outside of Europe + SAE. PLEASE -- NO IRCs and NO STAMPs.

QSLS VIA LoTW: 4O3A, 5V7TT, 5W0KH, 5X1NH, 9L5VT, AM3SSB, C6APT, C6AUM, E4X, EA5BZ, EA8FJ, EN220FI, F1PKH, G4NXG/M, HK4SAN, I4IKW, IV3RAV, J79XBI, JF1SEK, LX1CW, MD0CCE, OE3GCU, OH7MA, OJ0B, OK2PAY, ON4CMT, ON4WW, OX3XR, OZ4VV, PA5RA, RZ3AFK, SN0HQ, SN3R, SN9U, SQ7WK, T77C, US3QQ, US5XD, UT1UY, V31RR, V44KAI, VO1HP, VP2E/W1UE, YL5T, YN2AA, ZL8X and ZP6CW

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 7Z1TT, 9J2KK, 9Q50ON, C91JR, CY0X, ES1QD, ES5QD, FJ/SM5FUJ, FM1HN, HL5FUA, HS0AC, J88CF, LX1DA, LX8RTTY, PJ2/W1NG, PJ4D, PJ4LS, PJ5/AA4NC, PJ5/AH6HY, PJ5/K1XM, PJ6A, PJ7E, RI1FJ, TO3GA, V73TM, VK0CW, VP2V/NY6X, VP8DMH and ZL7A

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: NONE REPORTED this week!

T30, WESTERN KIRIBATI. Operators Bill/N7OU and Bob/W7YAQ will once again team up for another operation in the Pacific, but this time from Tarawa Island (OC-017) between February 8-22nd. Callsigns will be announced at a later date. Activity will be on 160-10 meters, using mostly CW with some SSB and RTTY, and using 100 watts and vertical antennas. They will also be in the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 19-20th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via their home callsigns.

T31, CENTRAL KIRIBATI. An international team will activate T31A from Kanton Island (OC-043) between April 17-28th. The transportation has been arranged, all licenses are assigned and the permit is in its final stages. They plan to have 6 stations on the air, operating on 160-10 meters. More details should be forthcoming and look for updates at: http://www.T31A.com

TF, ICELAND. The "W8GEX 60m News" reports that Torlin, TF1GW, states starting January 1st, 2011, the Icelandic radio amateurs can use 150 kHz in the 5 MHz band instead of 8 frequencies. They can use between 5260-5410 kHz with 100 watts PEP out, 3 kHz bandwith, and modes J3E and A1A.

TJ, CAMEROON. An international team composed of members of the Provins ARC (F6KOP) is heading to Cameroon between 10-20th. All the required steps have been made with the local Administration and the team has applied for the callsign TJ3C. The main operating QTH will be in Kribi, 2 hours by road from Douala. Operators mentioned are: Frank/F4AJQ (Team Leader), Seb/F5UFX (Assistant Team leader), Michel/FM5CD, Bob/N6OX, Bill/N2WB, Dave/K4SV, Eric/ON7RN, Gabriele/I2VGW, Jean-Paul/F8BJI, Alain/F6ENO, Jean-Luc/F6BIV, Michel/F5EOT, John/F5VHQ, Gerard/F2JD, Gerard/F2VX,

Yan/F1NGP, Mathieu/F5PED and Henri/F1HRE. Activity will be on all bands, 160-10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. They will have six stations (5x FT450sat and 1x K3) with 6 Amps (Acom 1010) and 6 laptops using Wintest software on the air, 24 hours a day during their 9 day operations. The antenna farm will consist of Spderbeams (3x five banders, 1x tri-bander, and 1x WARC bands), and a vertical for 20/30/40/75/80/160m. For the lower bands, depending on a usable place, 1 or 2 beverages and a K9YA system will be set-up. A Web site is under construction and the URL address will be published soon. Other individuals involved are:
QSL Manager : Didier/F5OGL
Pilot Station : Serge/F6AML
Webmaster : Thierry/F4TTR
Internet Mailing List: Maurice/F5NQL (subscribe by F5NQL@aol.com)
The main target is to make 80,000 QSOs, during their nine days of operations, with an emphasis on the lower bands, 160-30 meters and the Digimodes.

TM8, FRANCE (Special Event). Look for special event station TM8AAW to be on air between February 12&#65533;28th. Activity is to celebrate the 8th Antarctic Activity Week. Operation will be made by Fran&#65533;ois, F8DVD, from his QTH in Macon, in the east part of France. WAP reference number for TM8AAW is 199. Activity will be on 40-10 meters, mostly SSB. QSL via F8DVD, direct or by the Bureau. For more details, see QRZ.com or visit: http://tm8aaw.monsite-orange.fr

V3, BELIZE. Darren, VA3EGG, will be active as V31DI from Maya Beach, Placencia, Belize, sometime in January (dates not provided). He enjoys working all bands on 160-6 meters, but particularly the 6, 20 and 40 meter bands, and mainly SSB. QSL via his home callsign direct only.

V3, BELIZE. Will, AA4NC, will once again be active as V31RR from Placencia between February 16-23rd. Activity will be on CW, SSB, RTTY, and the 30/17/12 meter bands. His activity will also include the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 19-20th) as a Single-Op entry. QSL via AI4U or LoTW. No Bureau cards.

V5, NAMIBIA. Klaus, DJ4SO, will once again be active as V5/DJ4SO from a farm home southeast of Windhoek (same as last year) between February 22nd and March 23rd. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using mostly CW and RTTY/PSK31, with some possible SSB. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau (E-mail request to klaus@dj4so.de). His logs will be uploaded to LoTW. No eQSL.

VK8L, LORD HOWE ISLAND. Christopher, VK5CP, has once again return to Lord Howe Island (OC-004) and will be active as VK5CP/VK9L until January 7th. According to "DX-World.Net", Chris states, "I am using a half wave dipole at 10m, an IC7000 and a LDG tuner. Power is about 50w. I can hear very well but my signal is weak (sorry, but the 14Kg luggage limit did not allow me to bring the Alpha 87A). I am working SSB only 80-6m. Please QSL to VK5CP. I will make a special QSL for VK5CP/VK9L."

VK9N, NORFOLK ISLAND (Just a reminder!). Operators Alan/VK3XPD, Kevin/ VK4UH and Mike/VK3KH, will once again be active as VK9NA from Norfolk Island (OC-005, WLOTA 1469) between January 7-21st. This is the same group that did a VHF, UHF and Microwave DXpedition last year. The group plans again to be operational on 50 MHz through to 10 GHz using CW, SSB and WSJT. QSL Manager is VK3KH: Michael Coleman, 44 Rosserdale Cres, Mount Eliza Victoria 3930, AUSTRALIA. Look for more details and updates at: http://www.vk9na.com/index.html

ZF, CAYMAN ISLANDS (NA-016). John, K6AM, will be active as ZF2AM for two weeks so he can operate during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 19-20th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry and the CQWW 160m SSB Contest (February 25-27th). He informs that activity outside of the contest will be some casual phone operations, mostly on the WARC bands as time allows. QSL via K6AM, direct or by the Bureau or LoTW. ADDED NOTE: He will head to PJ2 right after this operation (PJ2 above).

ZL NEWS (New Zealand DX Hall of Fame Citations - 2011). A press release by Lee Jennings, ZL2AL, New Zealand DX Hall of Fame Panel Convener, reports (edited): "The New Zealand DX Hall of Fame was established in 2009 to honor those outstanding ZL DXers and contesters who have excelled in our radio sport hobby over many years. The current panel of judges includes Ken McCormack/ZL1AIH, Duncan McMahon/ZL3JT and Bill Carney/ZL3NB. Previous winners have included, Roy/ZL4BO, Ron/ZL1AMO and Jock/ZL2GX (SK) in 2009. Winners in 2010 included Dave/ZL1AMN, Aola/ZL1ALE and Dave/ZL1HY (SK). This year, after much deliberation the judges were unanimous in their selection and have elected the next three ZL radio amateurs to the New Zealand DX Hall of Fame for 2011. Their individual citations are below:

* John N. Shaw, ZL1BYZ - The election of John Shaw, ZL1BYZ, as the 7th inductee to the NZ DX Hall of Fame recognizes his extraordinary abilities as a contester and DXer. Licensed in 1983, John has proven to be a prolific contest operator and amazing DXer with most of his operations on CW. He usually places highly in major international contests and generates enormous pileups when he operates from his Pukekohe farm. John was a member of the ZL6QH contest group, ZL7T DXpedition, ZL6LH Light House team and a long time active member of the Papakura Radio Club. He has won the Doug Gorman Frequency measuring contest and numerous Jock White Field Day contests. He was recently made a member of the ARRL A-1 Operators Club. John will be joining the ARRL DXCC Club soon with an initial entry of over 300 countries. He contributes much to the sport of Amateur Radio Contesting and DXing in New Zealand. We wish John well in the future and hope that he will enjoy having the NZ DX HoF award plaque on his shack wall.

* Bryan Anderson, ZL2AFT - The election of Bryan Anderson as the 8th inductee to the NZ DX Hall of Fame recognizes his superb DXing skills and outstanding contribution to the sport of radio DXing. Licensed in 1954, Bryan has a long history of working DX with his own homebuilt equipment and had over 200 countries confirmed by by 1975. In 2009 he achieved DXCC #1 Honor Roll with 354 confirmed, mostly with antique Drake equipment and a homebuilt Quad. Bryan has given outstanding

service to his local radio club and assisted many ZLs to achieve DX in the pile-ups. He has always tried to keep the hobby in perspective and not let it interfere with the more important things in life, such as his family and his work as a Polytech lecturer in Palmerston North. We wish Bryan well in the future and hope that he will enjoy having the award plaque on his wall.

* Peter W. Watson, ZL3GQ (SK) - To the Family of Peter Watson.... It gives me great pleasure to inform you that Peter Watson, ZL3GQ (SK), has been elected to the New Zealand DX Hall of Fame. The posthumous election of Peter as the 9th inductee to the NZ DX Hall of Fame recognizes Peter's extraordinary and unselfish contribution to the sport of Amateur Radio DXing in New Zealand. From his 5.5 acre on the outskirts of Christchurch he achieved 323 entities by 1997, DXCC HR in CW, DXCC HR in Phone, 5BDXCC with 160m Endorsement, 5BWAZ Award #29, 160WAZ Award #26. His passion was 160M and CW. He routinely set CQWW contest records and recorded the first ZL to VS6 top band contact. As an FOC member he was awarded the prestigious Al Slater award by the FOC committee for outstanding services to amateur radio. He was also a member of the ARRL A-1 Operators Club and a team member of the May 1996 ZL8RI DXpedition to Raoul Island in the Kermadecs. He was an out-standing ZL radio amateur for decades. His last contest was in February 1998 and he became a SK on March 27 of that year. This award honors Peter's wonderful DXing and Contesting skills and will attest to how accomplished this great New Zealand DXer was.

We offer our heartiest congratulations to these three outstanding ZL radio amateurs who have been elected to the New Zealand DX Hall of Fame in 2011. Thanks to Ken, Duncan and Bill for their work in selecting the inductees. New Zealand has a rich history of producing world renowned DXers and Contesters. We are delighted that these ZL DXers have been recognized. They are among the best of New Zealand amateur DXers."

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�lp>
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Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�subscribe>
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http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:

http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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5. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 2nd January 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-03 05:00:13 UTC
From: news at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20110103050006.46FDC33C37@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 5145
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 2nd January 2011

IRTS 80M Counties Contest

The 80m Counties Contest this year will be held tomorrow Monday the 3rd, the Bank Holiday. Rules in Echo Ireland and on the IRTS web site.

IRTS Committee Meeting

The provisional date for the next IRTS Committee Meeting is next Saturday 8th of January in Portlaoise. All affiliated Club reps are encouraged to attend.

WAI Square Checker

WAI square checker is available on line for those who maybe want to verify their grid square (also know as Tetrad).

The website http://www.gridreference.ie is accurate in the absence on an Ordnance Survey map. By simply zooming and clicking in on your location on the map , all very useful grid information can be found to the right of the page (WAI square is last on list - Letter followed by 2 digits).

Tipperary Amateur Radio Group

The Tipperary Amateur Radio Group Would Like to wish all Radio Amateurs and Shortwave Listeners a Happy New Year and to get 2011 off to a good start the January meeting of the Group will take place in Raheen House Hotel, Raheen Road, Clonmel on Thursday next the 6th at 8.00pm Weather Permitting All are welcome.

Olivier ON4EI / EI8GQB

Oliver is back again and will be QTV for the 80m Contest tomorrow and will also be active around family schedule during his stay. Of course for those of you that do not get a chance to work him during his stay this time, he is planning on returning in March for the WPX Contest.

DX News

Barney ZS6TQ is at present QRV from the Democratic Republic of the Congo using the call 9Q0HQ/6. Look for him on 40/20/15/10/6m. He plans to be there till 11th January and QSLs go via K3IRV.

For classical music lovers there is the chance to work a station commemorating the 200th anniversary of the birth of the composer Franz Liszt. The call HG200LST will be aired at various times during 2011 by a group of Hungarian amateurs.

Another special event station this time commemorating the 150th anniversary of the birth of the Brazilian scientist, inventor and radio pioneer Roberto Landell de Moura will be on during the month of January. The call to look for is PS150PLM and QSLs will be sent automatically via the bureau.

Francis F6BLP will be on holiday in Senegal from 8th to 21st January and will take the opportunity to get on the air as 6W7SK. QSLs go via the home call and also via Logbook of the World.

Eddy ON4AFU will be in Thailand for the next 3 months and will activate HS0ZJF. While there he hopes to do some island trips and operate as HS0ZJF/8 from IOTA AS-101 and as HS0ZJF/9 from IOTA AS-126.

This week in History

1902 N.Stubblefield, USA, demonstrates his wireless telephone.

1936 First electron tube to enable night vision described, St Louis USA,

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Happy New Year

The IRTS Radio Newsteam would like to wish all SWL's and Radio Amateurs a Happy New Year.

Items for inclusion in next weeks Radio News should be forwarded to Charlie EI8JB, preferably via e-mail to "charlie dot carolan at gmail dot com" Or by phone to 087-6265418 News can also be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam at irts dot ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

6. MESMARISING VIDEOS&HOT PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-03 14:55:10 UTC
From: BASS <dalermehandi9247@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <c65a2a18-83f8-4332-bb32-9c6b758086a4@o11g2000prf.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 5146

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http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/diya-mirza.html
HOT AISHWARIYA RAI
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/aish.html
priyamani hot&sexy photos
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ANUSHKA HOT PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/anuska.html
BEAUTIFUL AISHWARIYA RAI
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/aiesh.html
TRISHA HOT PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/11/trisha-hot.html
AMISHAPATEL HOT VIDEOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/amisha
HANSIKHA HOT SEXY PHOTOS
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HOT BIPASA BASU PHOTOS
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TRISHA IN A SEXY FEEL
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SRISHA HOT BOOBS SHOW
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/srisha
BEAUTIFUL POONAM PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/poonam

7. [DXNL] DXNL 1709 (Dec 5, 2011)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-04 12:06:09 UTC
From: Michael Oerter <dj5av@kabelbw.de>
Message-ID: <000d01cbac07$49437fa0$6600a8c0@pumax>
Source record: 5147
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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DXNL 1709 - Jan 5, 2011
DX Newsletter

a free and weekly service of
DARC Committee "DX and HF contesting"
(http://www.darcdxhf.de)

editor: Helmut Schlaffer, DL7MAE
(direct: dxnl@dxhf.darc.de)

translation by: Mike, DJ5AV
(direct: dj5av@darc.de)

DX0 - Spratly Islands: The call DX0DX will be used for a big multinational
DXpedition to the Philippinian Spratly-Island Pagasa (AS-051), lasting
January 6th through February 1st. On 160 through 6 m (with some 2 m,
70 cm and 23 cm) they will be on thew air with ten stations
simultaniously, four on CW and SSB, two for RTTY/digimodes and one for
2 m and 6 m. Colin, GM0RLZ, is experienced OP on UHF/VHF and will try
for EME also. They will have ten IC-7600 and one IC-9100 tranceiver
ACOM linears and SteppIR antennas. The 32 members of the three teams
will be: Ed, 4F1OZ, David, AH6HY, Eduardo, DU1EV, Kaye, DU9XO, Dindo,
DV1UD, Christian, EA3NT, Gerard, F2JD, Clive, GM0POI, Colin, GM0RLZ,
Edmund, GM0WED, Gabriele, I2VGW, Simon, IZ7ATN, Krassimir, K1LZ,
Jeffrey, K1ZM, David, K3LP, Clay, K7HC, George, N6NKT, Paul, N6PSE,
Douglas, N6TQS, Dima, RA9USU, Bjorn, SM0MDG, Dr. Josephine, VK2FXGR,
Allan, VK2GR, Peter, VK3FGRC, Nikolaas, VK3FNIK, Lee, VK3GK, Chris,
VK3FY (teamleader), Wally, VK6YS, Sarla, VU2SWS, Hrane, YT1AD, Mladen,
YT6W, and Markovic, YU1AU.
Announced frequencies of DX0DX:
BAND CW SSB RTTY/PSK31
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160 m 1.824 1.840 -
80 m 3.504 3.780 3.582
40 m 7.004 7.084 7.035
30 m 10.104 - 10.145
20 m 14.024 14.195 14.080
17 m 18.074 18.145 18.100
15 m 21.024 21.295 21.080
12 m 24.894 24.945 24.920
10 m 28.024 28.495 28.080
6 m 50.104 50.120 -
2 m 144.100 144.200 -
70 cm 432.100 432.100 -
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23 cm 1296.100 1296.100 -
QSL manager is Bob Schenck, N2OO, direct or bureau. Also Online Request System (OQRS) will be available for direct cards via PayPal or bureau. The website of the DXpedition is at www.dx0dx.net .

H4 - Solomon Islands: Look for Shane, VK4KHZ, using the call H44DA from Guadalcanal Island (OC-047) January 6th through 16th holiday style preferably on 6 m. Shane will have an FT-847, a 500-Watt-PA, 3el beam for HF and a 3ele Yagi for 6 m. QSL via VK4KHZ.

HK - Colombia: Again Lothar, DK8LRF, will be HK3JCL January 10th through March 7th, preferably on on 20 and 40 m. He will also give Pactor and PSK31 a try. QSL for HK3JCL via DK8LRF via bureauo or direct (qrz.com).

LU/Z - South-Shetland-Islands: Diego, LU8DIP, will be active from LU1ZS, the club station located at he "Teniente Camara" base (AN-010) of Argentina until mid-March. Look for him on 14.185 and 7.070 MHz. QSL manager is LU4DXU.

P4 - Aruba: Find Marty, W2CG, as P40CG from different places of Aruba (SA-036, WLOTA 0033) January 10th through 24th in his mornings and early evening hours mainly 80 through 10 m CW with SSB on request. He will have a verical 10 m up. QSL by LoTW or via home call direct or via bureau to via W2CG.

V3 - Belize: In January Joe/DJ1JB (V31ML) and Max/DJ4EL (V31ME) will visit several IOTAs with this time table:
NA-073 Ambergris Caye 10.-11.01.
NA-073 Caye Caulker 11.-14.01.
NA-123 Long Caye 14.-18.01.
NA-180 Tobacco Caye 18.-26.01.
They will be on all HF bands with SSB using 100 watts and a ZS6BKW antenna, several quad loops, and a vertical antenna. QSLs via bureau to appropiate home call.

VK9N - Norfolk: Find Alan/VK3XPD, Kevin/VK4UH, and Mike/VK3KH, January 7th through 21st transmitting from Norfolk as VK9NA on 50 MHz through 10 GHz in CW, SSB and WSJT. Der QSL-Manager is VK3KH. Furtherinformation at www.vk9na.com/index.html .

VP9 - Bermudas: James, VP9/WW3S, will visit Ed, VP9GE, January 6th through 10th and use all HF bands. QSL via LoTW or direct to James S. Tolbert, Jr., 21986 Russet Dr., Meadville, PA 16335, USA.

3B8 - Mauritius/3B9 - Rodriguez: Jacques, F6HMJ, will be active as 3B9/F6HMJ from Rodriguez Island (AF-017) January 11th through 20th and as 3B8/F6HMJ from Mauritius January 5th through 10th and again January 20th through February 21st. He will operate CW, SSB and possibly RTTY on all bands. QSL via F6HMJ.

6W - Senegal: Francis, F6BLP, will be active holiday style as 6W7SK January 8th through 21st. He will operate mainly CW on 17, 20, 30 and 40 m using an IC-7000 and G5RV aerial. QSL via F6BLP, direct or via

bureau and LoTW, also eQSL. Find more details, log and pictures of
his last operation as 6W7SK at
www.f6blp.org/index.phplangue=uk&contenu=home.php .

8Q - Maldives: Listen for Marco, DH1IAC, as 8Q7AC January 4th through 18th
from Farukolufushi Island using an FT-857 and Atas 25 as well as Atas
120 portable aerial. QSL via home call, bureau ok!

England, special event: Special call GB65ISWL will remind for foundation of
the "International Short Wave League" (www.iswl.org.uk) 65 years ago
transmitting from several places in England. QSL via G6XOU, direct,
via bureau or eQSL.

Silent Keys:

Following DXers became a silent key during the last weeks:
Silvano Amenta, KB5GL (ex-I1SEM, -IT1SEZ and -IT9SEZ), passed away 30.
December at 80 years age from a stroke. He was active especially in the
IOTA program and activated Mangaia Island, (ZK1AGL) among others.
Further Silent Keys: Petar Glas (9A6NGP), Gene "Jeannot" Ameriguian (K8CD),
Paul N. Beane (NW8C), Aleksandr Y. Savenkov (UR5IOK), and Frederic G.
Hargesheimer (W0EBG, ex-VK9FH).

DXCC:

Possibly the entity "Southern Sudan" (ST0) - deleted after Dec 1994 might
return. January 9th three millions of South Sudan inhabitants give a vote
about their independence. Get more information from
www.guardian.co.uk/commentisfree/2010/dec/27/sudan-two-countries &
http://edition.cnn.com/2011/WORLD/africa/01/01/sudan.vote.bashir

Additional frequencies for Iceland:

Jonas Bjarnason (TF2JB), President of "Icelandic Radio Amateurs" (IRA),
reports that from now through December 31st 2012 TF operators have
permission to use 493 through 510 kHz, 70.000 through 70.200 MHz and
the 5 MHz-Band for amateur radio. On 60-m now there is permission for
5.360 through 5.410 MHz instead of eight fixed channels but with only
100 watts instead of 200.

LINKS:
Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

8.January: Activity Distrikt Nordrhein;
8.January: Schwaben-Contest;
8./9.January: EUCW 160 m Contest;

9.January: DARC 10 m Contest.

IOTA collected by Fredy,DE0MST (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AS-017, AS-079, AS-024, AS-047, JA, Japan, Okinawa: Skip, JE2HCA, reports
that 50 years ago Okinawa returned to Japanese administration. Skip's
Okinawa-Call is JS6SSW. At the end of WW II Okinawa was occupied by USA.
There were trials to establish an independent "State of Okinawa" or
"Republic of the Ryukyus". Even a status similar to Hawaii had been in
consideration once but 1972 Okinawa became part of Japan again. There
will be numerous special calls and events. "Okinawa DX Radio Club"
(ODXRC) uses 8J6HAM/OKA50 through January 8th.
All throug 2011 there will be appendixes to the calls of the islands
as e. g. JS6SSW/OKA50:
Island Appendix IOTA

Okinawa /OKA50 AS-017
Ie /IEJ50 AS-017
Aguni /AGJ50 AS-017
Kerama /KJP50 AS-017
Kume /UEO50 AS-017
Miyako /MNY50 AS-079
Shimoji /SHI50 AS-079
Tarama /TRA50 AS-079
Ishigaki /ISG50 AS-024
Yonaguni /OGN50 AS-024
Hateruma /HTR50 AS-024
Kitadaitou /KTD50 AS-047
Minamidaitou /MMD50 AS-047

OC-016, 3D2, Viti Levu & Vanua Levu Group: The 3D2RB team is QRV on Denarau
Island (Denarau Resort) until January 5th. QSL via OH2RB (d/B).

SA-031, CE9, Wollaston & Hermite Islands,
SA-097, CE9, Diego Ramirez Islands: Cezar/VE3LYC and Johann/PA3EXX are
planing an activation of Herschel Is. (Wollaston Isls.) and Gonzalo Is.
(Diego Ramirez Isls.) January 7th through 22nd as CE9/home call.
QSL via VE3LYC (d/B).

Lighthouse activities (WLOTA/ARLHS/ILLW)

FS/DF8KN LH 0383 St. Martin 30.12.-4.1.
H44DA LH 0086 Guadalcanal 06.-18.01.
PJ7/DF8KN LH 0711 St. Maarten 30.12.-4.1.
VE7POH LH 0858 Vancouver Is. resident
ZF2PG LH 1042 Gr. Cayman 02.-09.01.

Bandspots of the last 7 days
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40 m
SV8/LZ1CF 7.015 1826Z via LZ1KSP

30 m
HF5YGD 10.116 1152Z via SP9YGD (B)
LY50A 10.107 0736Z via LY5A
ST2AR 10.108 1540Z via S53R (d)
VK9NN 10.104 0547Z via PA3LEO (B)
ZL1ALZ 10.115 0629Z (B), (L)
9K2HN 10.117 0631Z (B)
9M2MRS 10.115 1535Z via PA0RRS (B)

20 m
CE7/F6DXE 14.024 1015Z
SU/DL1ELX 14.305 0920Z via DL1ELX (B)

17 m
TJ3AY 18.140 1119Z via F5LGE (B)
V5/DJ2HD 18.104 0918Z RTTY, via DJ2HD (B)
4K9W 18.071 0950Z via DL6KVA (B)

15 m
OY1CT 21.027 1554Z (d)
P43JB 21.024 1458Z (d)
V5/DK1CE 21.006 1037Z via h/c (B) / DH3WO (d)
XU7ACY 21.020 0823Z via W2EN (B), (L)

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(L) = LoTW

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL
05Jan-01Feb 3B8/F6HMJ 1709 *
11Jan-20Jan 3B9/F6HMJ 1709 *
- 05Jan 3D2RB 1708
- Dec 3Y8XSA 1700
- 13Mar 4S7KKG 1706
- 25Oct 5B50J 1700
- Apr 2012 5Z4RH ? 1674
08Jan-21Jan 6W7SK 1709 *
- Jan 7Q7HBm 1700
- 08Jan 8J6HAM/OKA50 1709 *
04Jan-09Jan 8Q7FF 1708
- Sep 9J2KK 1682
19Dec-07Jan 9L1XBU 1706
- Apr 9M2MRS 1697
now 9M6/KM9D 1699
soon 9Q1EK 1669
- 11Jan 9Q0HQ/6 1708
- Nov 9Q6CC 1699
- Aug A92IO 1663
- 31Dec BP100 & BV100 1684
07Jan-22Jan CE9/VE3LYC.. 1709 *
- May D2AK 1675

- 22Apr D2QR 1675
- late Feb D2SG 1692
- 31Aug DL20Y2DM 1700
- 31Jan DT8A 1652
- 24Jan DU/F2JD 1680/1706
- Jan DU1/JJ5GMJ 1695
06Jan-01Feb DX0DX 1709 *
26Nov-23Feb EA8/ON5JV.. 1703
- Aug FO8RZ 1636
06Jan-16Jan H44DA 1709 *
01Jan-31Dec HG200LST 1708
10Jan-07Mar HK3JCL 1709 *

01Jan-31Dec IA7MM 1708
01Jan-31Dec II1ITA.. 1708
01Jan-31Mar IO7DAI 1708
- 2011/2012? J28JV 1680
- Jul 2012 J28RO 1683
30Dec-08Jan JD1BMH (Og.) 1707
- Jun 2013 KH2/N2NL 1680
postponed 2011 KH5 1674/1705
now LU1ZA (S. O.) 1695
- Jan 2011 LU/LA6IKA.. 1700
- mid Mar OA/OE3NHW 1701
28Dec-28Jan OA4/PA3GFE 1707
Dec/Jan OJ1ABOA 1704
10Nov-24Feb OR4TN 1700
10Jan-24Jan P40CG 1709 *
01Jan-31Dec PA30.. 1708
- mid Apr PJ4/PE1MAE 1700
Jan PS150PLM 1708
- late Dec RI1ANC 1708
Oct2010-May2011 T6JC & T6TL 1695
22Dec-06Jan T8CW 1707
16Dec-13Jan TG9/DL5RMH 1706
10Jan-26Jan V31ME & V31ML 1709 *
26Dec-06Jan V5/DK1CE 1707
07Jan-21Jan VK9NA 1709 *
Nov-Mar 2012 VK0KEV, Macqu. 1700/1701
06Jan-10Jan VP9/WW3S 1709 *
- 24Jan VQ9LA 1707
25Dec-09Jan XE1/DJ4EL 1707
- 09Jan XWPA 1706
- Sep ZD9GI 1691
02Jan-09Jan ZF2PG 1708
01Jan-31Mar ZL50VK 1708
- Apr ZS8M 1674/1687

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

A71/JY5FX via JY5FX
AP2NK via W3HNK (d)
CE7/F6DXE via F6DXE eQSL preferred
DA0KOLPING via DJ6SI (B)
DA2MORSE via DJ4EY (B, automatically)
DK150RB via DL1SBF (B)
DQ5T via DL4LAM (B)
DR15ZBAY via DC5CQ (B)
DU8/DL3OCH via DL3OCH (B)
J28RO via F8DFP (B)
J5V via JA1PBV (B)
JD1BLY via JI5RPT (B)
SN4FON via SP9KDC (B)
SU/DL1ELX via DL1ELX (B)
SX3B via SV1BDO (d)
T6AE via IW2KKI (B)
T6AF via EB7DX (d)
V5/DK1CE via DK1CE (B) / DH3WO (d)
VK2IZI via EB7DX (d)
XE1/DJ4EL via DJ4EL (B)
ZL50GH via ZL1ANH (B), (L)
ZP9SC via EA5KB (B)
9Q0HQ/6 via K3IRV (B, 12/10 - 1/11)

N5BEK/TI7 via N5BEK (d, TI-Address):
Phil Phillips
Potrero
Santa Cruz, Gte. 19-5111
Costa Rica

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(*) = new QSL manager
(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)

QSL arrived direct: PJ6A (N4NX), PJ7E (OQRS).

QSL arrived bureau: JO1LVZ (AS-007), JW/OZ8KR, JY4NE (K3IRV), KN5G/FS &
KN5G/KH6 (KN5G), KP2/JA1BPA, MU0FAL (EU-114), MU0GSY,
NY8A/KH2 (JG1ITH), OH0/DK3PZ (EU-002), OH3OJ/p (EU-184),
OH/OE1MCU/p (EU-184), OX3WS, OY9R, OY/G3TXF (EU-018),
OY/SP7VC (EU-018), R100W, RA2FT, V31WA, (UT5UGR),
VP2V/DL7VOG, XU7XRO (M0URX), Z30HQ (via YU1YV),
9H8C (DL9USA), 9J2FM (JA4ATV), and 9X0LX (DK7LX).

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The German PDF version can be found on the DARC homepage at:

http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxmb/2010

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8. ``****HOT SEXY PHOTOS&VIDEOS****

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-04 12:37:00 UTC
From: SAMARA <jaidatta9247@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <3098f5f0-2e48-43ba-b11d-4935ec4f9af8@f20g2000prn.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 5148

SEXY DIYA MIRZA
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/diya-mirza.html
HOT AISHWARIYA RAI
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/aish.html
priyamani hot&sexy photos
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/priyamani.html
KATRINA SEXY PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/katrina.html
ANUSHKA HOT PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/anuska.html
BEAUTIFUL AISHWARIYA RAI
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/aiesh.html
TRISHA HOT PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/11/trisha-hot.html
AMISHAPATEL HOT VIDEOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/amisha
HANSIKHA HOT SEXY PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/HANSIKA
HOT SEXY COLLEGE GIRLS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/hot
BEAUTIFUL LARADATTA
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/laradatta
NIKISHA HOT BOOBS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/nikisha
PRIYANKA SPICY LATEST PICS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/priyanka
ONLY FOR YOUTH
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/spicy
SRILEKHA UNSEENED PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/Srilekha
CHOPRA UNBELIVABLE PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/chopra
HOT BIPASA BASU PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/bipasa
TRISHA IN A SEXY FEEL
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/thrisha
SRISHA HOT BOOBS SHOW
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/srisha
BEAUTIFUL POONAM PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/poonam

9. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-04 20:08:44 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <ffc4adbf-ed28-43f4-8747-973476bcb6bb@s5g2000yqm.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 5149

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On Jan 4, 7:37 am, SAMARA <jaidatta9...@gmail.com> wrote:
>                          SEXY DIYA MIRZA
>    http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/diya-mirza.html
>

can the spam
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10. The ARRL Contest Update for January 5, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-05 04:48:34 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20110105041229.697FC20D0B@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 5150
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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The ARRL Contest Update

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NEW HF OPERATORS - THINGS TO DO

I can't think of a better pair of contests for the beginning
radiosporter than the North American QSO Party CW and SSB events - just
give your name and state! If you'd rather type, try the ARRL's RTTY
Roundup instead.

BULLETINS

See the News and Results items regarding scoring and multiplier log
format for this and next weekend's North American QSO Party contests.

BUSTED QSOS

No errors detected or corrected!

CONTEST SUMMARY

Complete information for all contests follows the Conversation section

Jan 8-9

- ARRL RTTY Roundup
- NS Weekly Sprint--CW(Jan 7)
- 070 PSKFest
- Hunting Lions In the Air
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- WW Peace Messenger Cities,
- North American QSO Party--CW
- EUCW 160 Meter Contest--CW
- DARC 10 Meter Contest
- Midwinter QSO Party
- CWops Mini-CWT Test (Jan 12)
- Linc Cundall Memorial CW Contest (Jan 12)

Jan 15-16

- North American QSO Party--Phone
- LZ Open Contest--CW
- International United Teenager Contest
- UK DX RTTY Contest
- HA DX Contest
- Feld-Hell Gridloc Sprint

==> NEWS, PRESS RELEASES, AND GENERAL INTEREST

The YASME Excellence Awards <http://www.yasme.org/excellence.html> are given to individuals who through their own service, creativity, effort and dedication have made a significant contribution to the cause of Amateur Radio. The contribution may be in recognition of technical, operating, or organizational achievement as all three are necessary for amateur radio to grow and prosper. With the 2010 Excellence Awards, YASME recognizes the following individuals in order to recognize them and inspire others on behalf of Amateur Radio now and in the future.

- Ram&#65533;n Santoyo V, XE1KK <http://www.qrz.com/db/XE1KK> who is recognized for his work in advancing ham radio in Mexico and Central America and his service to the international radio community as IARU Region 2 Secretary. He is a strong proponent of radiosport and the World Radiosport Team Championships. Voices like Ram&#65533;n's help the amateur community work together worldwide, strengthening our position and reputation as important members of the wireless community.
- Makoto (Mako) Mori, JE3HHT <http://mmhamsoft.amateur-radio.ca> who deserves much credit for popularizing RTTY by writing the MMTTY software modem and making it available for integration into logging software. MMTTY is a great product and Mako has exhibited great ham spirit with a huge effect.
- Bruce Horn, WA7BNM <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal> who continues to generate useful and innovative web applications including a complete upgrade of his excellent contest calendar web site. His 3830 score reporting and compilation service and Cabrillo log submission tools have changed the nature of radiosport.
- Rick Meuthing, KN6KB <http://www.winlink.org/WINMOR> for developing the new WINMOR sound-card digital mode software now gaining wide use in the worldwide Winlink 2000 system. Many attempts at approaching the performance of the proprietary PACTOR III protocol and hardware failed before WINMOR, attesting to the difficulty of the problem.
- Mikael Styrefors, SM2O <http://www.remoterig.com/> who has developed

the Remote Radio Control interface. The ability to connect radios and operators transparently and robustly over the Internet is a key technological element of putting top-grade remote HF stations on the air - something more common every day.
- Alex Shovkoplyas, VE3NEA <http://www.dxatlas.com> for developing DX Atlas, Morse Runner, HAM-CAP, CW Skimmer, Rocky and other innovative software. Alex's products are making a remarkable impact on the competitive HF operating environment. Making this software available to the amateur community at little or no cost demonstrates excellent ham spirit.
- Pepe Ardid, EA5KB <http://www.ea5kb.net> who makes it possible for many Latin American DXers, who are in many cases saddled with deficient postal services and QSL Bureaus, to confirm contacts with attractive and unique QSL cards. Pepe contributes countless hours of service in support of his fellow amateurs so they can continue to participate in one of amateur radio's most cherished traditions.

There has been some confusion about logging for the upcoming NAQP CW and SSB contests regarding what is an acceptable abbreviation for North American countries. Contest manager, Bruce WA7BNM clarifies the situation as follows: "For US states and Canadian provinces and territories, use standard postal abbreviations as the QTH designations. For North American countries, other than the US and Canada, use the standard ARRL DXCC entity prefixes <http://www.arrl.org/country-lists-prefixes> as the QTH designations. Other abbreviations are acceptable as long as they unambiguously designate the QTH. The logged QSO info for contacts with stations outside of North America may leave the QTH blank, or specify "DX", in lieu of the country designation. This and other logging suggestions that are designed to reduce errors in entrants' submitted logs are described on the NCJ web site <http://www.ncjweb.com/naqploghints.php>. Participants are responsible for assuring that they have recorded this information correctly in the logs before they submit them regardless of the logging software they are using." Bruce continues regarding the use of decoding technology in the contest's Single-Op category, "We've returned the Single-Op criteria to the pre-2009 definition that prohibits the use of automated tools. The rules on the NCJ web site have been updated to reflect this change."

The World Wide Radio Operators Foundation, Inc <http://wwrof.org/>. (WWROF) has been granted IRS 501(c)3 status as a tax-exempt public charity. This means that contributions to WWROF by U.S. taxpayers are deductible to the extent allowed by law. Two new directors were also added; John Sluymer, VE3EJ, and Tine Brajnik, S50A, both well-known in the international contest community for their operating skill and leadership talents. In the past year, WWROF has provided financial and "behind-the-scenes" technical support for several programs of interest to active operators, including several award programs and log-checking services for the IARU HF Championship HQ station competition. In 2011, WWROF will be seeking to implement several high-impact, high-return

programs that will benefit the contest community at large and would appreciate your financial support.

Tor N4OGW announces the release of a new logging program, SO2SDR <http://code.google.com/p/so2sdr/>. "The general idea is to explore uses of SDR technology for SO2R (Single-op, Two-radio) CW contesting." The program does not decode any CW and is freely available for download. Tor notes that it is still a work in progress, but does run on both Windows and Linux platforms and features an SDR panadapter integrated into the band map.

The 22nd annual Dayton TopBand Dinner <http://topbanddinner.com/> is slated for Friday night, May 20, 2011 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel <http://www.cpdayton.com/>. Program details and menu selections will be announced in late January and tickets will be available starting in February. (Thanks, Tim K3LR)

Rin JG1VGX contributes new of the Japanese digital band <http://www.jarl.or.jp/English/6_Band_Plan/JapaneseAmateurBandplans20090330.pdf> plan just in time for this weekend's ARRL RTTY Roundup contest.
Summarizing, most JA stations will be found here:
3520 - 3530 and 3599 - 3612 kHz
7025 - 7045 and 7100 - 7200
14070 - 14112
21070 - 21125
28070 - 28150
JA stations can operate split and generally prefer the lower available segment.

The LZ Open Contest <http://www.lzopen.com/> is trying a new score reporting technique according to Krasimir LZ1GL. "You can watch live logs check right after the contest after every new log received and uploaded. You can also compare your log with any other log and you can see your errors. This cross check function is unique and we are proud to be the first contesters using it." The contest will also be recorded from Sofia, Bulgaria.
(Thanks, Dave KM3T)

A similar tactic is being employed by the sponsors of the Montana QSO Party <http://www.fvarc.org/>. "After the contest is over, upload your scores and logs and see the results instantly! You will also be able to download a 2011 Montana QSO party certificate that you can print out in full color!" (Thanks, Lyndell N7LT, Montana QSO Party Manager)

Web Site of the Week - The latest issue of the Finnish contesting magazine Pileup! <http://www.helsinki.fi/%7Ekorpela/PU/PU.html>, is online and ready for your reading enjoyment. It's a "wonderful, fantastic reading, great job! Thank you," according to contester Jim, K1TN.

WORD TO THE WISE

Can this be the first set of contest disqualification rules? "For in a contest there is much labor needed--and after the contest victory falls to some, to others disgrace. Is the palm ever given or the crown granted before the course is finished? ... Therefore no one can receive a reward, unless he has striven lawfully; nor is the victory a glorious one, unless the contest also has been toilsome." -St. Ambrose of Milan, Chapter 15, Three Books on the Duties of the Clergy, 4th century (Thanks, Bert N4CW via John K1AR)

==> SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

We're still having fun "using a few verticals on the beach..." reports Kenny K2KW/C6ATA regarding the Team Vertical trip during the 2010 CQWWCW. You'll particularly enjoy the unorthodox mounting of the 160 meter vertical. "Weather and waves prohibited us from installing 160m vertical in one piece. After a lot of thought and computer analysis, we came up with a unique solution: put the base of the vertical on the beach, and the rest of the antenna on the elevated deck of the villa. While not graceful, the 160 sure worked as N6BT has claimed a new 160m LP World Record. We hope you enjoy the videos <http://n6bt.com/n6bt-C6-2010--vid-1.htm> and photos <http://n6bt.com/n6bt-C6-2010-1.htm> which review the antenna & station design."

The big signals from Vlad RA4LW will be off the air for a while due to a recent snow and ice storm in Russia. The antenna farm damage was severe as shown by gallery images <http://rw4lyl.ru/plugins/p17_image_gallery/images/798.jpg> 798 through 808. RD3A <http://contesting.at-communication.com/en/rd3a_winter-rain/> also suffered a lot of damage in the same storm. (Thanks, Yuri VE3DZ and Al 4L5A)

Speaking of digital modes...and what is that sound anyway? You can take an online tour of the audio signal signatures courtesy of WB8NUT <http://www.wb8nut.com/digital.html>. (Thanks, George K5TR)

==> RESULTS AND RECORDS

Log checking issues with the Summer 2010 NAQP contests have resulted in the contests being rescored. "NAQP management has made the decision because of some conflicting information on the Web as to the correct way to log non W/VE North American stations in NAQP. As a result, a popularly used logging program was incorrectly populating the QTH field for non W/VE North American stations. This caused a number of QSOs and multipliers to be disallowed in participant's logs. Rescoring these events did not change any of the top finishers in the SSB or RTTY NAQP. However, this rescoring did change the Top Ten finish order for several stations in the Top Ten Single Operator class of the August 2010 CW NAQP including a change in the overall winner. The revised results are available on the NCJ Web site <http://www.ncjweb.com/contests.php> under Preliminary Results and will be summarized in the Mar/Apr, 2010 issue of NCJ." (Thanks, NCJ Editor, Al K0AD)

The results for the 2010 CW Rookie Roundup are now posted <http://www.arrl.org/contest-results-articles>. Award certificates will be emailed to Rookie participants within the next several days. Mark your calendars for Sunday, April 17, 2011 for the Next Rookie Roundup; April will feature SSB, and anybody licensed in 2009, 2010 or 2011 can enter as a Rookie. (Thanks, ARRL Contest Branch Manager, Sean KX9X)

The results for the 2010 CQ 160 Meter Contest <http://cq160.com/> are now available online. There are some corrections to the article:

- ND8DX is the winner for Zone 4 Single-Op SSB not K5RX.
- The club score for Arizona Outlaws Contest Club was incorrectly listed as Central Arizona DX Association. They had 52 entries and finished 16th in the world.
- For the CW plaques, JA5DQH's correct name is Akito, not Akira

To get your Log Checking Report, email CQ WW 160 Contest Director, Andy N2NT <director@cq160.com> indicating your call sign and mode.

CQ WPX Contest Director, Randy K5ZD announces that, "Following in the established footsteps of the CQWW Contest, the CQ WPX Contest is now making submitted logs public and available for download. The first contest to be posted is WPX SSB 2010 <http://www.cqwpx.com/publiclogs/2010ph/>. Read the WPX blog <http://www.cqwpx.com/blog/?p=74> for more information."

A listing of the preliminary results of the 2010 Stew Perry contest <http://web.jzap.com/k7rat/STEWSCR.TXT> is online with 630 logs submitted thus far. (Thanks, Stew Perry Contest Manager, Tree N6TR)

The results of the 2010 Ukrainian DX Contest <http://www.urdxc.org/results2010/results2010.htm> are now online. (Thanks and Happy New Year from Leon, UT7CL)

Marc ON7SS/OO9O has posted the 2010 UBA CW Contest results <http://www.uba.be/> online, as well. The Contest Certificate database is also up to date so you can download your certificate.

Like "shooting your age" in golf, Jack W1WEF reports, "In 2010, my 58th year as a ham, I set a goal to operate in 58 contests. RAEM wrapped it up!"

OPERATING TIP

In RTTY contests, do not use "cut numbers", such as 5NN. This requires an extra shift character to be sent, making your rate slower, unlike CW. Also note that if you receive a letter sequence where numerals are expected, the shift character was likely miscopied. The number represented by each letter is above and to the left of the letter key. For example, TOO is 599 without the shift. (Thanks, Dick W0RAA and Barry W2UP)

==> TECHNICAL TOPICS AND INFORMATION

The mail carrier brought me the February 2011 issue of "Sky and Telescope <http://www.skyandtelescope.com/>" and its theme is the ham's favorite star - the Sun. The lead story is on the giant solar storm of 1859 and what the effects of such as storm today might be. Plus, there are loads of solar photos and "Amateur Solar Radio Astronomy", a great article on how to listen to the Sun at wavelengths from 10 meters to 1 cm. If you do pick up an issue, be sure to flip to the back page's "Focal Point" on demonstrating astronomy - it might give you some ideas about putting ham radio in the public's eye, as well.

Speaking of solar flares, last May the Galaxy 15 communications satellite <http://tinyurl.com/2amezh4> had its "brains fried" (a technical term) by just such an event. Although still functional, its navigation and communications systems would not accept commands and the satellite drifted out of its orbit. On December 23, engineers at Intelsat were finally able to reset the satellite and it was put into safe mode. (From AMSAT <http://amsat.org/> bulletin ANS-002.07)

A pair of eham.net <http://eham.net> technical articles caught my eye and may give you some ideas, too. The first is for every little pistol's dream - a 40 meter beam. The article "Vertical Moxon for 40 Meters <http://www.eham.net/articles/25130>" by N8MUS describes hanging a vertical wire beam antenna under a KT34A tribander. The second article is a classic by one of the site's founders - "Fighting CC&R's: 20M 4-Square Array <http://www.eham.net/articles/25000>" by W4AN (SK). It shows how to make the best of a compromise situation and still have a useful and capable antenna system.

Everybody needs a miniature solder pot <http://www.qrpkits.com/files/MiniSolderPot.pdf> now and then and here is the Goldilocks version - it's "just right". (Thanks, Dan KI4YZE)

Successful RFI sleuthing often takes a bit of the deerstalker hat and meerschaum pipe as in these "The Case of..." RFI stories by ON4WW <http://www.on4ww.be/emi-rfi.html>. (Thanks, Tim K3LR)

I debated whether to put this video of a 190-foot tower going up <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eUWI38ocVTM> under Sights and Sounds, but as it provides some heavy-duty guidelines for heavy-duty towers, it's a Technical Tip. (Thanks, Craig K9CT)

David K1TTT writes to let us know, "I have just cut the prices on my 25th Anniversary edition of "Building a <http://stores.lulu.com/k1ttt> Super Station <http://stores.lulu.com/k1ttt>". The e-book download is now free, and the DVD and paper copies are $5 cheaper than before."

Instead of soldering aluminum wire, trying splicing as described by Tod, K0TO. "Wrap 5 turns of aluminum wire tightly around the second aluminum wire and wrap 5 turns of the second wire around the first wire about 3 inches away from the first splice wrap. The result is a very satisfactory splice between the wires." Tod recommends stainless steels fasteners to clamp the wires.

Technical Web Site of the Week - This week features a long list of web sites offering SDR kits for receivers and transceivers thanks to Ken K9VV. Enjoy!

www.sdr-cube.com/ (Transceiver)
www.crosscountryradio.co.uk/sdr_receiver.htm
www.elektor.com/magazines/2007/may/software-defined-radio.91527.lynkx
www.fernempfangsradio.de/start.html
www.pappradio.de/typo3/ (Starsite)
o28.sischa.net/fifisdr/trac (German FIFI project)
www.darc.de/distrikte/l/02/sdr/ (German LIMA-SDR project)
www.yoyodyneconsulting.ca/pages/SDR-Widget-lite.html (Transceiver)
www.kb9yig.com/
www.genesisradio.com.au/ (Transceiver)
www.nt7v.com/index.html
zao.jp/radio/soft66ad/ (Japan)
www.lazydogengineering.com (Transceiver)
www.sdr-kits.net/
py2wm.qsl.br/SDR/SDRZero-2.html
www.qrz.lt/ly1gp/SDR/
www.rfsystem.it/shop/ (Transceiver)
www.comsistel.com/Ciao%20Radio.htm
www.nti-online.de/edirabox.htm
wb6dhw.com/For_Sale.html UHF SDR
www.wb5rvz.com/sdr/ensemble/ (Transceiver)
users.skynet.be/myspace/mdsr
www.iw3aut.altervista.org/
www.wb5rvz.com/sdr/mobo43/
www.dh1tw.de/fa-sdr-trx-funkamateur-allband-sdr (Transceiver)

==> CONVERSATION

>From Parallel to Series and Back Again

The recent discussions about single-operator categories in the NAQP and many other contests are a microcosm of the larger technological hurricane rearranging the wireless world and with it, Amateur Radio. Since the invention of the tuned amplifier, the radio spectrum has been envisioned as a "series circuit" so that one tunes through individual signals sequentially by frequency, just as current flows through the components of a series circuit.

Everything about the box called a "radio" supports this concept. Our frequency displays and dials assign a different value to each frequency, sometimes around a circle or across a scale. Stacks of increasingly narrow filters carefully select just a single signal out of all that are present. Incremental tuning, passband shift, high-cut, low-cut, notch, split - these are all devices to navigate us in the frequency-domain world. It's as if our radio world was a one-dimensional string that stretches from dc to light and beyond, with each station a separate bead on the string.

It's safe to say that nearly all contest operators learned to contest and developed their skills based on the series model of radio. Most of us are very heavily invested in that model. We pride ourselves on being able to tune from bead to bead quickly. In a dense region of beads, we can distinguish between them accurately and rapidly. We develop a sense of when to stay put or move along the string and of where more beads can be found. Similarly, nearly all contests are set up with the series model underlying their rules, categories, scoring, and awards. We are limited in how and where our bead can be placed. Information about the position and behavior of other beads is strictly limited.

With the advent of wideband signal processing software and the availability of hardware to make it feasible in amateur stations, the model is changing. Instead of a series spectrum, it is commonplace to view wide swaths of spectrum - and the signals in it - in parallel, all at once. The information in those signals is available all at once and to all. What was previously hidden in the series world is public in the parallel world. This is a seismic shift in the world of radiosport.

What happens to the series version of radiosport and of ham radio in general as radio changes from series to parallel? Is it necessary to possess the series skill set in order to excel in the parallel world? Or does the parallel world require a whole new and different set of skills that have no analog in the series environment. How can a series contester adapt to and excel in a parallel world? For many of us, this transition will be uncomfortable.

There is precedent elsewhere in the wireless community. Beginning over a decade ago, the cellular telephone industry began its changeover from the series format of FDMA (frequency-division, multiple-access) model of channels with separate frequencies. The new parallel model is based on CDMA (code-division, multiple-access) in which signals used the same spectrum simultaneously, but are differentiated based on coded patterns of behavior - i.e. spread-spectrum techniques.

Was all of the old FDMA knowledge obsolete? Not hardly. Much of the fundamental physical know-how required to create, modulate, transmit, receive, and demodulate RF signals is equally applicable to both worlds. Once the information has been recovered, the processes of handling and routing information are nearly independent of how the actual transmission and reception were performed.

So the transition is survivable - even though occasionally painful or disconcerting - if one can distinguish between the key principles that are meaningful in both worlds. It may mean moving beyond some of the hard-won skills of a different era, but if there are sufficient common elements we will be able to recognize the signposts and move confidently into the future.

The careful reader may have noted that the title of this column refers to a pair of transitions and begins with "parallel", not "series". I've only addressed the second transition so far, but I want to remind the readers that the original wireless environment was very

much a parallel world. Emissions from spark transmitters are wideband by nature and with the feeble selectivity of early receivers wireless technology was a thoroughly "spread spectrum" endeavor. Techniques such as rotary spark gaps performed rudimentary amplitude modulation, giving signals some individuality. Even an individual's "fist" served as a means of picking one signal out of the QRN and QRM. Every signal was in the mix of noise in the headphones.

With the widespread adoption of continuous wave came the transition to our modern series world and, yes, proponents of spark decried the change. But they found many of their techniques and skills to have meaning in the new world, too. While oiling the rotary's bearings was no longer of much use, the skill of putting up an effective aerial was just as important, if not more so for the new QRP CW transmitters. Translating to the present day, while our VFO tuning skills may atrophy with the advent of wideband SDR and DSP, it will still be just as important to know the most effective heights for a beam, how to deal with "rotten QRM", and keep our competitive butts in the operating chair. Plus, there will be new skills to learn.

The next challenge to address and the subject of the next issue's Conversation will be of where the operator stops and where the station begins. Technology is blurring that line as well, yet the question may yield if one can remember to shift focus between principle and gadget and back again.

73, Ward N0AX

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070 PSKFest--Digital, from Jan 8, 0000Z to Jan 8, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: Call sign, RST, S/P/C . Logs due: Feb 8. Rules <http://www.podxs070.com/>

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WW Peace Messenger Cities--Phone,CW, from Jan 8, 1200Z to Jan 9, 1200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RS(T) and PMC ref number or CQ zone. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.s59dcd.si/>

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North American QSO Party--CW, from Jan 8, 1800Z to Jan 9, 0600Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: Name and S/P/C. Logs due: 14 days. Rules <http://www.ncjweb.com/naqprules.php>

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Midwinter QSO Party--Phone,CW, from Jan 9, 1000Z to Jan 9, 1400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RS(T) and serial. Logs due: Feb 15. Rules <http://trafficbureau.veron.nl/>

CWops Mini-CWT Test--CW, from Jan 12, 1100Z to Jan 13, 0400Z, Monthly on the second Wednesday, multiple operating periods - see Web site. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Frequencies:, 18 to 28 kHz above band edge. Exchange: Name and member number or S/P/C. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.cwops.org/onair.html>

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HA DX Contest--Phone,CW, from Jan 15, 1200Z to Jan 16, 1200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RS(T) and serial. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.ha-dx.com/>

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RST, QTH, Feld-Hell number. Rules <http://www.feldhellclub.org/>

North American QSO Party--Phone, from Jan 15, 1800Z to Jan 16, 0600Z.
Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: Name and S/P/C. Logs due: 14 days. Rules
<http://www.ncjweb.com/naqprules.php>

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age or "RT". Logs due: 30 days. Rules
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<http://adventure-radio.org/wiki/index.php?title=Spartan_Sprint_Rules>

January 7 AGB-Party Contest
<http://www.ev5agb.com/contest/agb_party.htm>

January 9 AWA Bruce Kelley Memorial CW Contest
<http://www.antiquewireless.org/hamevents2010.htm>

January 10 DARC Christmas Contest
<http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/contest/xmas/en/rules/>

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<http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2011/r80mcc.shtml>

January 11 ARRL 10-Meter Contest <http://www.arrl.org/10-meter>

January 11 CQC Great Colorado Snowshoe Run
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January 15 NA High Speed Meteor Scatter Winter Rally
<http://www.ykc.com/wa5ufh/Contests/2010%20Rules.htm>

January 15 OK DX RTTY Contest <http://www.crk.cz/ENG/DXCONTE.HTM>

January 15 ARCI Pet Rock Celebration
<http://www.qrparci.org/content/view/8372/118/>

January 17 AGCW VHF/UHF Contest
<http://www.agcw.org/en/?Contests:VHF-UHF_Contest>

January 18 Croatian CW Contest
<http://www.9acw.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=47:rules-2009&catid=39:english&Itemid=66>

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Hello!

I have a little problem with config gpredict(ver: 1.2) and FT-817.
I have set PTT in gpredict as AUTO.

Example:
Downlink: 70cm band
Uplink: 2m band

$ rigctld -m 120 -r /dev/ttyUSB0 -s 9600 -P RIG -vvvv

What's more, I realise that radio in RX mode switches about every 10
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73!!

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13. The ARRL Letter for January 6, 2011

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==> + BPL: ARRL SHOWS IBEC BPL SYSTEMS ARE INTERFERING, VIOLATING FCC
RULES

Late last month, the ARRL filed a complaint with the FCC, documenting
ongoing harmful interference and egregious rules violations by
Broadband over Power Lines (BPL) systems installed by IBEC, Inc. in
Virginia, Pennsylvania and Indiana. In its filing, the ARRL requested
that the FCC "initiate immediately an enforcement proceeding regarding
these BPL systems, and cause them to cease operation until such time as
they are each in full compliance with the Commission's Rules."

Contrary to earlier representations -- both to the ARRL and in
statements in the online BPL database -- IBEC's systems in these
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locations are not universally notching the amateur bands as is
necessary in order to avoid emissions at levels that are likely to
cause harmful interference to licensed Amateur Radio stations. In fact,
measurements by ARRL staff that were independently confirmed show that
IBEC systems are not even notching the aeronautical bands. The FCC
rules require BPL systems to avoid these bands, but IBEC is operating
at power levels that cause radiation well in excess of the FCC limits.
Read more here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-shows-ibec-bpl-systems-are-interfering-violati
ng-fcc-rules>.

==> + ON-THE AIR: ARRL AUDIO NEWS ONCE AGAIN AVAILABLE FROM ITUNES

The ARRL Audio News is once again available through iTunes,
beginning today. You can find the URL for the Audio News' RSS feed here
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860-594-0384. The ARRL Audio News is compiled, edited and produced in
conjunction with each ARRL Letter (except during the Dayton Hamvention,
Thanksgiving and other times as announced).

==> ON-THE AIR: THE KING OF DIGITAL CONTESTING IS HERE!

Start 2011 with one of the most enjoyable contests on the calendar
-- the ARRL RTTY Roundup, January 8 and 9. The goal is simple: make as
many contacts -- and multipliers -- as possible! While any digital mode
can be used in during the Roundup (including PSK31), radio teletype --
better known as RTTY -- is the undisputed king of this event. You won't
need to shout into a microphone or master high-speed CW to participate.
If you can type -- even slowly -- on a computer keyboard, you're more
than qualified to try the RTTY Roundup. Read more here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/the-king-of-digital-contesting-is-here>.

==> + AMATEUR RADIO IN WASHINGTON: US REP GREG WALDEN, W7EQI, TWEETS
NEWS OF NEW SUBCOMMITTEE CHAIRMANSHIP

When US Representative Greg Walden, W7EQI (R-OR), learned December
16 that he would be chairing the House Subcommittee on Communications,
Technology and the Internet when the 112th Congress convened in
January, he let the world know about it by tweeting the news in Morse

code. "Just the ham radio operator in me having fun," he posted to his official Web page. The subcommittee has jurisdiction over "interstate and foreign telecommunications including, but not limited to all telecommunication and information transmission by broadcast, radio, wire, microwave, satellite or other mode."

ARRL Chief Executive Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ, was pleased to hear the news: "We're delighted that the subcommittee is in the hands of such a well-qualified chairman. Greg was an early cosponsor of HR2160 <http://www.arrl.org/hr2160>, and while he may not always be able to agree with every ARRL position, we know his door will always be open to us."

==> + GET READY FOR THE FEBRUARY ISSUE OF QST!

The February issue of QST is jam-packed with all sorts of things that today's Amateur Radio operator needs. From product reviews to experiments to contesting -- including a look at the upcoming launch of ARISSat-1-- this issue of QST has something for just about everyone.

After years of planning, the next generation of satellites to be launched from the International Space Station is getting ready to be sent off into space. Go behind the scenes -- and discover how you, too, can get in on the fun -- as AMSAT and the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) program team up in "Get Ready for ARISSat-1." And if space is indeed the "final frontier," a Mid-Eastern desert is probably a close second. Join David Collingham, K3LP, and Paul Ewing, N6PSE, as they recount their DXpedition to Kurdistan in Northern Iraq in "YI9PSE Iraq 2010 -- An Extreme Venture."

Lou Burke, W7JI, wanted to add a receiver on to the QRP transmitter project he had built. He wanted the receiver to be housed in the same enclosure and to work with the transmitter in a transceiver-like mode, but still have the ability to stand alone as a separate receiver. In his article "A Compact 40 Meter Receiver," Burke says that there is nothing like the feeling you get from making a QSO with a rig that you built yourself.

ARRL Field and Regulatory Correspondent Chuck Skolaut, K0BOG, takes a look at the Ten-Tec R4020 two band CW QRP transceiver in this month's Product Review. He calls it a "transceiver with a variety of convenience features. It can operate from internal batteries, so add a paddle, headphones and antenna and head for your favorite trail location." QST Contributing Editor Phil Salas, AD5X, checks out the Mini-Circuits PWR-6GHS+ USB power sensor. He says that it is "a reasonably priced, highly accurate, very broad range power meter that is equally useful in a commercial lab or home experimenter's workshop." QST Technical Editor Joel Hallas, W1ZR, reviews the Array Solutions AS-43A digital upgrade kit for the Bird 43 wattmeter. He says this kit "provides a three digit digital readout for your tired old Bird wattmeter. While the accuracy is limited by the wattmeter slugs, a calibration adjustment is described that can improve accuracy."

Of course, there are the usual columns you know and expect in the February QST: Happenings, Hints & Kinks, The Doctor Is IN, How's DX, Vintage Radio and more. Look for your February issue in your mailbox. QST is the official journal of ARRL, the national association for Amateur Radio. QST is just one of the many benefits of ARRL membership. To join or renew your ARRL membership, please see the ARRL Web page <https://www.arrl.org/join>.

==> ARRL IN ACTION: WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO LATELY?

Compiled by ARRL News Editor S. Khrystyne Keane, K1SFA

This feature is a concise monthly update of some of the things ARRL is doing on behalf of its members. This installment -- which covers the month of December -- looks at the ARRL confronting the FCC over BPL matters, a possible new secondary MF allocation, reports from the Official Observer Desk and more. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-in-action-what-have-we-been-up-to-lately-29>.

==> + FCC NEWS: FCC CITES RETAILER FOR MARKETING CB RADIOS AS AMATEUR RADIOS

In October 2010, an agent from the FCC's Enforcement Office visited Monroe, Michigan-based Doctor Radio's CB Shop to find that the store was selling, among other items, a radio that was described as "an Amateur Radio that could operate on CB frequencies" that was modified to operate above the approved power limits. As such, the FCC issued a Citation to the store on January 4 for marketing unauthorized radio frequency devices in the United States in violation of Section 302(b) of the Communications Act and Section 2.803(a)(1) of the Commission's rules. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-cites-retailer-for-marketing-amateur-radios-as-cb-radios>.

==> + GENERAL MOTORS TURNS TO HAM TO SOLVE ANTENNA PROBLEM

<http://reviews.cnet.com/8301-13746_7-20026067-48.html> When General Motors -- the world's second largest auto maker -- encountered a problem with the AM/FM antenna on its 2011 Chevrolet Camaro convertible, it was at a loss as to what to do. Spy photographs showed a pre-production version of the car with a long whip-style antenna on its rear fender. After what GM called "an outcry among Camaro enthusiasts," the company decided to rethink the antenna. But how?

On hardtop Camaros, the antenna is integrated into the rear windshield, but given the disappearing nature of this car's roof, that wasn't possible on the convertible. So GM turned to two antenna engineers -- Don Hibbard, W8DBH, and Gregg Kittinger -- who were tasked with doing what some thought was impossible: concealing the AM/FM antenna without sacrificing radio reception, while not putting it inside the Camaro's windows. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/general-motors-turns-to-ham-radio-to-solve-antenna-problem>.

==> YASME FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES 2010 YASME EXCELLENCE AWARD RECIPIENTS

The Yasme Excellence Awards are given to individuals who through
their own service, creativity, effort and dedication, have made a
significant contribution to Amateur Radio. Their contribution may be in
recognition of technical, operating or organizational achievement. The
Yasme Foundation has recognized the following individuals "in order to
inspire them and others on behalf of Amateur Radio now and in the
future." Read more here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/yasme-foundation-announces-2010-yasme-excellence-aw
ard-recipients>.

==> + NEW SECTION MANAGER APPOINTED IN ALABAMA

David Drummond, W4MD, of Northport, Alabama has been appointed Alabama
Section Manager effective January 1, 2011. In December, Jay Isbell,
KA4KUN, -- who had served as Section Manager since January 2008 --
resigned due to health related reasons. ARRL Membership and Volunteer
Programs Manager Dave Patton, NN1N, made the appointment in
consultation with Southeastern Division Director Greg Sarratt, W4OZK.
Drummond has served as Alabama Assistant Section Manager since January
2008. He will complete the current Section Manager term that continues
through December 31, 2011.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "Shining snow crystals rainbowed by the Sun
<http://classiclit.about.com/library/bl-etexts/alowell/bl-alowell-winter.htm>
"
Cook, K7RA, reports: The average daily sunspot numbers were up nearly
24 points this week to 50, while the average daily solar flux rose more
than 9 points to 89.5. The lagging three month average of daily sunspot
numbers was down 3.5 points from last month's average of the previous
three months. The three month moving average of daily sunspot numbers
--ending on June through December -- was 16.2, 20.4, 23.2, 28.9, 33,
35.6 and 32.1. The latest forecast from NOAA/USAF for the next 10 days
has a solar flux of 88 on January 6-7, 86 on January 8-9, 84 on January
10, 82 on January 11 and 80 on January 12-15. Planetary A index is
predicted at 7 on January 6-7, 10 on January 8-10, 7 on January 11 and
5 on January 12-15. There is a chance of a stiff solar wind and
geomagnetic storms on January 7-8. Yekta Gursel, KJ6DRO, alerted us to
an article in the February 2011 issue of Sky & Telescope titled "The
Perfect Solar Superstorm." You can read most of it here
<http://www.nxtbook.com/nxtbooks/newtrack/st_201102/#/28>; click on
"Preview" if you are not a subscriber. Your local library may also
provide online access to the magazine. The article begins on page 28.
Look for more information on the ARRL Web site on Friday, January 7.
For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL
Technical Information Service Propagation page
<http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad
Cookism" is brought to you by Amy Lowell's A Winter Ride
<http://classiclit.about.com/library/bl-etexts/alowell/bl-alowell-winter.htm>
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==> ARRL RECOGNIZES: ERIC NICHOLS, KL7AJ, WINS DECEMBER QST COVER PLAQUE AWARD

The winner of the QST Cover Plaque Award for December is Eric Nichols, KL7AJ, for his article "Gimme an X, Gimme an O. What's that Spell? -- Radio." Congratulations Eric! The QST Cover Plaque award -- given to the author or authors of the best article in each issue -- is determined by a vote of ARRL members on the QST Cover Plaque Poll Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cover-plaque-poll>. Cast a ballot for your favorite article in the January issue today.

==> SILENT KEY: FORMER ARRL CANADIAN DIRECTOR GEORGE SPENCER, VE3AGS (SK)

A. George Spencer, VE3AGS, passed away December 21, 2010. He was 90. Spencer served as ARRL Canadian Division Vice Director from January 1970-January 1974. In 1974 -- upon the election of Canadian Director Noel Eaton, VE3CJ, as ARRL Vice President -- Spencer moved up to the Director position and served one term. An engineer by training and profession, Spencer lived all across Canada. While on the ARRL Board of Directors, he was VE2MS and then VE4IM; he later became VE6AW before moving to Ontario and obtaining his initials.

==> + SILENT KEY: AMERICA'S OLDEST SCOUTER, WOODY WOODWARD, W7KOP (SK)

Leonard Andrew "Woody" Woodward, W7KOP, of Mapleton, Utah, passed away December 25, 2010. He was 99. Woodward -- who, according to the Boy Scouts of America, was the "longest continuously registered Scouter" -- was involved with scouting for more than 87 years. BSA's Utah National Parks Council Program Director John Gailey called Woodward "an amazing man" and told the ARRL that his friend was still "very much active on the air weeks before his death." At the age of 8 in 1918, Woodward built his own radio. At the time of his death, he was using the Internet to connect Amateur Radio operators around the world. Woodward was known all over the world as an unofficial ambassador of America and Scouting through his radio contacts. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/america-s-oldest-scouter-woody-woodward-w7kop-sk>.

==> THIS WEEK ON THE RADIO

This week:

- January 7 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- January 8 -- Midwinter Contest (CW)
- January 8-9 -- ARRL RTTY Roundup <http://www.arrl.org/rtty-roundup>; North American QSO Party (CW); Michigan QRP January (CW); Contest Hunting Lions in the Air Contest; EUCW 160 Meter Contest; WW PMC Contest
- January 9 -- NRAU-Baltic Contest (CW); Midwinter Contest (Phone); NRAU-Baltic Contest (SSB)
- January 12-13 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

Next week:

- January 14 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- January 15 -- LZ Open Contest, Feld Hell Sprint
- January 15-16 -- North American QSO Party (SSB), Hungarian DX
Contest, UK DX Contest (RTTY)
- January 17 -- Run for the Bacon QRP Contest
- January 20 -- NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest
Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update
<http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest
Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more
info. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the
ARRL Special Event Stations Web page
<http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- January 8, 2011 -- ARRL Delta Division Convention
<http://www.selarc.org/selarchamfest.htm>, Hammond, Louisiana
- January 9, 2011 -- ARRL New York-Long Island Section Convention
<http://www.hamradiouniversity.org/>, Bethpage, New York
- January 15, 2011 -- ARRL Southern Florida Section Convention
<http://fmarc.net/hamfest_2011.htm>, Fort Myers, Florida
- January 28-29, 2011 -- ARRL Mississippi State Convention
<http://www.msham.org/hamfest.php>, Jackson, Mississippi

To find a convention or hamfest near you, click here
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests>.

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Parties.
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14. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-07 01:17:02 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <d90bd5e7-964d-4ba0-a068-9b12a3492c02@j29g2000yqm.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 5054

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On Jan 6, 3:40 pm, claudeh <hclaudiobla...@gmail.com> wrote:
> List of Solutions Manuals and Test Banks
> ________________________________________
>
> contact me to :         mattos...@gmail.com
> mattosbw1(at)gmail.com
>
can the spam
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15. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.amateur.*

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-07 07:05:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/recruitment-1-1294383901@panix.com>
Source record: 5055
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/recruitment
Revision: 1.2 2009/11/25 14:41:01
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/

Changes followed by "|".

The rec.radio.info newsgroup, first established in 1993, has been
recently revived by an active moderation team. We are currently seeking
suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.amateur.* (and currently archived
at http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/ ):

radio/personal-intro
Subject: Guide to the rec.radio Newsgroups
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 9 Nov 2001 06:18:17 GMT
Posting-Frequency: 15th of each month

One significant omission, requiring immediate updates, for this article |
is that it does not mention newer amateur radio newsgroups created since |
it was written, including: |

rec.radio.amateur.antenna |
rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors |
rec.radio.amateur.dx |
rec.radio.amateur.equipment |
rec.radio.amateur.homebrew |
rec.radio.amateur.moderated |
rec.radio.amateur.space |

We are willing to provide any technical support necessary to get this
article updated and automatically posted again at a regular interval.
This would include establishing contact with the original maintainer for
any necessary permissions. We would prefer to seek a new, dedicated
maintainer at this time, rather than start auto-posting the original
article ourselves.

For more information about our newsgroup, see:
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http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

16. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.swap

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-07 07:10:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/swap/recruitment-1-1294384200@panix.com>
Source record: 5056
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/swap/recruitment
Revision: 1.1 2007/09/29 18:42:57
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide

Changes followed by "|".

The rec.radio.info newsgroup, first established in 1993, has been
recently revived by an active moderation team. We are currently seeking
suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.swap (and currently archived at
http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide/ ):

radio/swap-guide
Subject: Rec.radio.swap FAQ: A Guide to Buying and Selling on Usenet
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 6 Nov 2001 19:25:51 GMT
Posting-Frequency: Monthly

We are willing to provide any technical support necessary to get this
article updated and automatically posted again at a regular interval.
This would include establishing contact with the original maintainer for
any necessary permissions. We would prefer to seek a new, dedicated
maintainer at this time, rather than start auto-posting the original
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For more information about our newsgroup, see:

http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.
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17. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1743 - January 7 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-07 10:00:20 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20110107100006.1D71D33C4E@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 5057
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1743 - January 7 2011

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1743 with a release date of
Friday, January 7, 2011 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Hams in Missouri face a series of killer
tornados while their counterparts in Australia go on alert as massive
rains hit Queensland state. Also, the South African Radio League
prepares to ask that nations telecommunications regulators to expand
160 meters, researchers say that cubersecurity is really the new civil
defense and Russia announces plans to take the Internet into space.
Find out the details on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1743
coming your way right now.

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RESCUE RADIO: MISSOURI SKYWARN HAMS CALLED OUT AS TWISTERS HIT REGION

Ham radio first responders' associated with SKYWARN were called out as
killer storms swept across Southwest Missouri just before New Years.
David Black, KB4KCH, is in our South-East Bureau with the details:

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For amateur radio operators in Missouri, the end of 2010 was anything
but quiet. Killer storms roared across southwestern parts of the state
December 30th and 31st. Two of the twisters were rated as EF-3s. 3
people were killed in Missouri, with three more deaths reported in
Arkansas.

Rod Kittleman, K0ADI, is the ARRL's Information Officer in Southwestern
Missouri. He says hams monitored the storms including supercell
thunderstorms as they moved from Arkansas, across the state line,
leaving extensive damage:

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K0ADI: "We had storm spotters from our SKYWARN group out all the way
from Chhristian County ARES, Green County, Texas County, etc. Pretty
much (observing) as the storms tracked along through Arkansas through
Missouri, we had each of the ARES groups in the individual counties who
where continuing to track the storms and relay the information to the
National Weather Service.

"We had spotters that were out, chasing the storm and watching the stor. A very, very active bunch of people."

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For at least 14 hours, radio amateurs stayed active, tracking storms and reporting on their progress to National Weather Service forecasters in Springfield. Kittleman says the storms hit with bad timing, which teaches hams a valuable lesson:

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K0ADI: " You always have to be prepared because you never know whats going to happen. The bad thing about this storm is that it happened on a holiday when a lot of people are not thinking about these kind of storms. They are out doing their holiday activities

"Everybody needs to be prepared for all times in all seasons, but this shows that ham radio operators are always prepared all season long."

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Despite the large amount of territory affected, Kittleman says Skywarn and ARES groups coordinated efforts closely. That resulted in an active flow of real time information on the storms and the damage they were causing:

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K0ADI: "I was actually n the air about 7:30 in the morning and tracked one tornado that went from the Missouri -Arkansas border all the way up to the Ft. Leonardwood wild area. That was the one that ended up killing a couple of people up there."

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The various amateur radio teams are being praised for their efforts to keep the community safe. Weather Service Forecasters say they were impressed at the amount of response and support hams in the state gave when it was so badly needed.

>From the Southeast Bureau in Birmingam, Alabama, I'm David Black, KB4KCH, for The Amateur Radio Newsline.

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In all, At least 5 tornadoes, 2 of which produced fatalities and numerous severe thunderstorms pounded the Missouri Ozarks for over 14 hours on December 30th into New Years Eve.

(N0UAM, K0ADI, others)

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RESCUE RADIO: VK HAMS RESPOND TO QUEENSLAND FLOODING

Massive flooding in Australia's Queensland state puts that nations corps of ham radio volunteers on alert. Les Unwin, VK4VIL, is in the city of Rockhampton with the latest:

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Following widespread rains over the past several weeks, Queensland's Fitzroy River is currently in full flood, with water inundating towns on its movement downstream. The Fitzroy basin, covering some 53,000 square kilometers is Australia's second largest river system.

After completely drowning some towns such as Theodore in its more western tributaries, then devastating the larger town of Emerald of 12,000 people, Rockhampton, population 75000, is now facing what could be its second largest flood in recorded history. The city is already totally isolated with airport, all feeder highways and rail links underwater . Sadly, several lives have been lost as a result of flood related incidents.

Rockhampton and District Amateur Radio Club President, Jack Chomley VK4JRC has a good number of club members on standby and registered with State Emergency Service and the Disaster Management Committee , with suitable equipment available for activation if the situation worsens, for relief of emergency workers or particularly in the case of power failure. Fortunately, amateur radio operators contacted in upstream areas have also not been called upon for assistance at this time.

The River is expected to take several weeks to return to its normal level.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Les Unwin, VK4VIL, in Rochhampton.
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Expect more on this rescue radio effort in upcoming Amateur Radio Newsline reports. (WIA News)

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ENFORCEMENT: ALLEGED HONEYBEE SHOOTER WAS A HAM

The ham believed to be the so called possible 'honeybee' shooter is dead. Gary Amaya, 48, KC9AWD, was shot with his own gun while apparently trying to rob an Orland Park, Illinois, tanning salon on Saturday, December 11th.

Last October, three men were shot, one fatally, near the Illinois-Indiana border. The shootings appeared entirely random. One victim, a farmer, had a conversation with the shooter about honeybees before he was shot, earning the killer his nickname of the honeybee shooter.

Two months later, Gary Amaya was allegedly robbing an L.A. Tan location at gunpoint when a customer, Jason McDaniel, came through the door. McDaniel disarmed Amaya, and ultimately shot him twice, killing him.

Shortly after Amaya was killed, police released survailence video. The tape shows Amaya, clad in black, having bound the attendant behind the counter. McDaniel enters the store, and is brought behind the counter. At one point, Amaya, having set the gun down, bends over, and McDaniel seizes his opportunity, rushing forward to strike Amaya and grab the gun. The two men then move into a hallway just out of the frame, where apparently Amaya lunges at McDaniel. A shot goes off in the ensuing struggle, Amaya appears dazed but still a threat. Then McDaniel shoots him in the stomach.

According to an unnamed family friend, Amaya showed no earlier signs of violence. But something apparently changed in the man from tiny downstate Rankin, Illinois this past summer after helost his job at a Milford trucking company. By October, when the "honeybee" shootings started, Amaya had cut off ties with even his closest friends. (WB9QZB, Chicago Tribune OnLine, Morris Daily Herald, CNN, other sources)

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RESTRUCTURING: SARL PREPARING DOCUMENTATION TO INCREASE 160 METRE ALLOCATION

The South African Radio League is preparing documentation to gain access to additional spectrum on the 160 meter band for amateur communication in that nation.

South African radio amateurs are invited to make input by sending their views as to why it is necessary to expand the very narrow allocation currently available. Responders are asked to include items such as propagation studies and of what benefit an expanded 160 meter allocation will be.

South African hams should send the information to zs6akv (at) sarl (dot) org (dot) za by end January. The South African Radio League proposal will be presented at the next SARL and the Independent Communications Authority of South Africa liaison meeting planned for February of 2011. (SARL)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the W9BBK repeater serving Bollingbrook, Illinois.

(5 sec pause here)

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ENFORCEMENT NEEDED: RESEARCHERS CALL CYBERSECURITY THE NEW CIVIL DEFENSE

A pair of University of Cincinnati researchers says the nation's cybersecurity is being threatened because an important element in

establishing it is not being emphasized enough. That of citizen awareness and participation. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, has more:

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In equating today's citizen role in cybersecurity to the Civil Defense efforts developed at the advent of the era of atomic weapons, Political Science faculty members Richard Harknett and James Stever argue that an active role for citizenry participation in security efforts is largely being overlooked.

They make their case in a new paper published in the "Journal of Homeland Security and Emergency Management." Harknett and Stever argue that a three-pronged approach to cybersecurity is necessary. They note that ideas of coordination within government agencies and also between government and business interests surface in almost every discussion on the topic, but engagement with the public about the role they can play in cybersecurity rarely gets mentioned.

The two researchers say that the general population must be engaged as active security providers, not simply beneficiaries of security policy. This is because their practices often create the threats to which government must respond. As an example, they cite the hijacking last July of up to 50,000 computers for use in a botnet denial-of-service attack on Web sites operated by the U.S. and South Korean governments.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasrternak, WA6ITF, in Los Angeles.

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Currently, the government is in a period of re-examining policy towards cybersecurity. The New York Times recently published an extensive story examining U.S. deficiencies in policy towards cyber attacks, and a new study of 600 computer and computer-security executives showed high levels of concern that cyber attacks at any time could compromise our nations energy and communication sectors. (University of Cincinnati via Science Daily)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC CITES MICHIGAN BUSINESS FOR SELLING UNAUTHORIZED CB SETS

The FCC has issued an Official Citation to to Doctor Radio's CB Shop of Monroe, Michigan. This for marketing unauthorized radio frequency devices in the United States in violation of Section 302(b) of the Communications Act, and Section 2.803(a)(1) of the Commission's rules. The devices are identified as high power CB radios that could operatr outside of bthe 11 meter Class D Citizens Radio B and.

By way of background, on October 20, 2010, an agent from the Enforcement Bureau's Detroit Office visited the Doctor Radio. At that

time he observed that the store offered for sale the Cobra Sound Tracker and the Cobra 150 GTL DX. A store employee explained to the agent that the Cobra Sound Tracker was modified to operate with 170 watts of power. The store employee further explained that the Cobra 150 GTL DX was an amateur radio that could operate on CB frequencies. Under current FCC Rules, both of these radios are illegal to sell in the United States.

The Citation warns Doctor Radio's CB Shop that if, after receipt of the Citation, that it violates the Communications Act or the Rules by engaging in such sales that the Commission may impose monetary forfeitures of up to $16,000 for each such violation or each day of a continuing violation and up to $112,500 for any single act or failure to act. In addition, violations of the Communications Act or the Rules can result in seizure of equipment through forfeiture actions, as well as criminal sanctions, including imprisonment.

Doctor Radio's CB Shop was given thirty days after the January 5th release date of the Citation to reply either through a personal interview at the closest FCC office, or through a written statement. Any written statements must specify what actions have been taken by Doctor Radio to ensure that it does not violate the Rules governing the marketing of radio frequency devices in the future. (FCC)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS CORRECTION: IT'S A QSO A DAY FOR G6NHU DURING 2011

And a correction to last weeks story about Keith Maton, G6NHU, who has embarked on an ambitious project throughout 2011 to have a QSO every day of the year. Somehow we typo'ed his call the wrong way in the story header. His correct all letters are G6NHU.

And as we noted correctly, there is a blog to follow the progress of this project at www.qso365.co.uk. The blog won't necessarily be updated every day but it will document how the project is going with updates as time permits. (G6NHU)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: W4MD APPOINTED AS ALABAMA SM

David Drummond, W4MD, of Northport, Alabama has been appointed Alabama Section Manager effective January 1st. He succeeds Jay Isbell, KA4KUN, who had served as Section Manager since January 2008 but had resigned in December 2010 due to health related reasons. Drummond has served as Alabama Assistant Section Manager since January 2008. He will complete the current Alabama Section Manager term that continues through December 31st of this year. (ARRL)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: 2011 NEW ZEALIND DX HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

John N. Shaw, ZL1BYZ, Bryan Anderson, ZL2AFT, and the late Peter W. Watson. ZL3GQ, have been selected asv the 2011 honorees have beem selected for iunduction into the New Zealand DX Hall of Fame. Each was choen based on his dedication to ham radio and the furthering of the art of DX operation.

The New Zealand DX Hall of Fame was established in 2009 to honor those outstanding ZL DXers and contesters who have excelled in the radio sport aspect hobby over many years. The current panel of judges includes Ken McCormack, ZL1AIH, Duncan McMahon, ZL3JT and Bill Carney, ZL3NB. (ZL2AL)

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THE SOCIAL SCENE: HAMVENTION AWARDS NOMINATING PERIOD ENDS JANUARY 15th

And a reminder that the deadline for Hamvention award nominations is getting close. The Hamvention now sponsors four annual awards. These are the Technical Excellence, Special Achievement and Radio Amateur of the Year Awards. And as the special Radio Club of the Year was such a big success in 2010, that Hamvention planners have decided to make it a permanent addition to the Hamvention Awards program.

If you know of a radio amateur or a club deserving of recognition please submit your nomination. Further information and nomination forms can be found on-line at www.Hamvention.com in the awards section. To be considered for any award the nominations must be submitted no later than January 15, 2011. Nominations go by mail to Hamvention Awards, Post Office Box 964, Dayton, Ohio, 45401.

Again, the cutoff date to submit nominations is January 15th which is less than a week away. (Hamvention)

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WITH NEWSLINE: RADIO SCOOTER INTERNATIONAL TO AIR ARNEWSLINET

Some good news for those hams who have been asking if any Internet radio stations retransmit these weekly Amateur Radio Newsline reports. Well Bill Bergadano, KA2EMZ, reports that his station known as Radio Scooter International began carrying Amateur Radio Newsline on January 9th.

According to Bergadano, Amateur Radio Newsline airs at 03:00 U-T-C on Mondays. That translates into 7:30PM Eastern and 4:30PM Pacific Time.

To listen go to www dot radioscooterinternational dot net. Then click the antenna and then the play button on the next page.

Bergadano tells Newsline that Radio Scooter International has been on the air since 2005, and, has been heard in over 80 countries. (KA2EMZ)

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WITH NEWSLINE: PODCAST ADDRESS CHANGE

And a follow-up to last weeks report that some listeners with the latest iPods cannot get Amateur Radio Newsline to play on their 4th generation devices. We have received several listener responses with possible answers, but Kevin Trotman, N5PRE, who sponsors the Podcast thinks he has the best solution. Kevin has moved the Podcast file to a new server at http://n5pre.squarespace.com/arnewsline. He says that the new server should better serve listener needs. A live link to it in bright green is now at our website at www dot arnewsline dot org. If you are one of those suffering from the problem, please let us know if this fix helps you. Also, keep in mind that this is a direct link and not the same as available though the Apple iTunes on line store. (ARNewsline(tm) and N5PRE)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

(5 sec pause here)

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SWL CORNER: THREE DX TESTS SET FOR FEBRUARY

If you are an SWL or a ham with a good Medium Wave receiver, listen up. On Saturday February 12th, at precisely oh-seven hundred and oh-eight-hundred U-T-C, radio station KHMO 1070 Kilohertz in Hannibal, Missouri, will conduct a DX test for SWL's worldwide. The test will be with Morse code, sweep tones, and voice announcements for five-minutes at the top of the first hour with its five-kilowatt, three-tower, day pattern, and then five-minutes at the top of the second hour at its one-kilowatt, six-tower, nighttime power.

Also on February 12th, from oh-nine hundred to oh-ten-hundred U-T-C, WLIQ 1530 Kilohertz in Quincy Illinois will conduct a DX test of its own WLIQ will test for twenty minutes using Morse code, sweep tones, voice announcement, special music, sound bites and the like at its fourteen-hundred watts, non-directional, day power. Then WLIQ will test for twenty minutes at two-hundred-ninety watts non-directional, critical hours power. Finally, for the last twenty minutes of the hour, they will test at three watts, non-directional, night power. That's right, we said three watts which is almost miuceo power on the AM broadcast band..

The third, and last test is on Saturday, February 19th. This one will be will be from oh-seven-hundred to oh-eight-hundred U-T-C from WLRB 1510 Kilohertz from Macomb Illinois. The WLRB test for the first thirty-minutes will use Morse code, sweep tones, voice announcement, special music, sound bites at one-kilowatt, non-directional, day power. For the second half of the test, the content will be the same but the

power will be reduced to two-hundred-fifty watts, non-directional for its critical hours power.

If you would like to receive a Q-S-L, you can send a written report, or a cassette or CD to the Chief Engineer of these stations by following the rules and sending reports the following address: Gary Glaenzer, c/o (Put the name of the station whose DX test your are reporting on the next line), 325 East Douglas Avenue, Jacksonville, Illinois 62650.

Tapes or CDs will be accepted along with written reports but must be cued up to the point of where the best reception is. If sending in a report by mail, you must include a return, self addressed, stamped envelope if you expect to get back a QSL or any reply.

The reports are being sent to the engineers home address, not the station. So please be patient, as Mr. Glaenzer is the Chief Engineer for 16 radio stations in Missouri and Illinois. E-QSLs are available. Send them to the engineer at glaenzer (at) frontier dot com with both the station call letters and the words "DX test" in the subject line. (W8HDU)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: TMA-20 LAUNCH VIDEO NOW ON LINE

Video of the spectacular night launch of the Soyuz TMA-20 spacecraft can be sewen on-line at tinyurl.com/2gx5hqd. The TMA-20 launch carried Expedition 26 crew members NASA astronaut Cady Coleman, Russian cosmonaut Dmitry Kondratyev, and European Space Agency astronaut Paolo Nespoli. IZ0JPA to the International Space Station.

This is Nespoliu's second trip into space. In June of 2006, IZ0JPA was assigned to the Space Shuttle mission STS-120, which is dedicated to the build-up of the International Space Station. (UniverseToday.com, ARNewsline.orgT)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: HOW TO WORK SATELLITES WITH YOUR HT

Clint Bradford, K6LCS, of Mira Loma California, has published an updated copy of the "How to Work Ham Satellites With Your HT" tutorial. Its posted on-line at www dot work dash sat dot com. (ANS)

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ON THE AIR: CELEBRATING FRANZ LISZT

A group of Hungarian radio amateurs from J noshalma will use the special callsign HG200LST between January 1st and December 31st. This activity is to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the birth of composer and virtuoso pianist Franz Liszt QSL this operation via HA5GY. (DX OnLine)

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HAM DX HELP WANTED: DX'ERS SOUGHT FOR LUXIUARY FILI OPERATION

VK4AN, OZ1IKY and possibly others are planning a major operation as 3D2A to Fiji between March 15th and April 2nd and are currently looking for experienced DXers to join them during this operation. They state that their activities will be from Nadi in a 3 story 2 bedroom luxury air conditioned apartment with roof top antennas including a full-size 160 meter Inverted Vee or delta-loop, Spiderbeam, DX-88 and other antennas. Activity will be on 160 through 6 meters but concentrating on the lower bands. If you would like to join their team, contact Eddie, VK4AN, at vk4an at wia dot org dot au. More details on this upcoming ham radio luxiary adventure are available at pacific-dxers dot com. (OPDX)

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In DX, word that HA3AUI is shortly heading back to Western Africa. Look for him to be active as 6W2SC from Senegal and J5UAP from Guinea-Bissau between February 1st and March 31st. His activity will be on 160 through 10 meters, mainly on CW and the digital modes. QSL direct via HA3AUI.

VO1AU will be active stroke 9M6 from, East Malaysia between March 2nd and the 15th. His operation will include the Commonwealth and ARRL DX SSB Contests. QSL via VO1MX.

DC9TH is now on the air as 8Q7TH from Baa Atoll in the Maldives. He's reporetedly been heard on 20 meter SSB. If you work him, please QSL to his home callsign.

EI8CC, the former Honorary Secretary of the Irish Radio Transmitting Societyt and new Irish ambassador to Lesotho will soon be on the air from that nation on CW and SSB as 7P8CC. The final items of his station have been shipped so expect to hear him on the air from Lesotho in the not to distant future.

Lastly, ZS6TQ is now active as 9Q0HQ/6 from the Republic of the Congo. His operation is primerally on weekends and during the week after 1800 UTC. Listen out for him on 40through 6 meters using CW, SSB and PSK31. QSL via K3IRV.

(Above from various DX ,news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: RUSSIA TO TAKE THE INTERNET INTO SPACE

And finally this week, Russian engineers have started drawing up a plans to take the Internet into space. They say that their new Kosmonet project and its implementation will provide an opportunity for Runet users to enter the Internet in a whole new way. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, has more:

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The developers of the system say that rapid access to the Internet is only part of the task set before the Kosmonet. They give priority to guaranteeing communications between spacecraft and establishing control over Russian orbited flying objects from any point on the Earth and stable communications with remote regions of Russia.

Vitaly Davydov is the deputy head of the Russian space agency. He says that such a communication system is crucial for the north and in the Polar Regions of Russia because satellites in the geostationary orbit cannot provide access to these regions. He notes that for his nation to build fixed transmitters there or lay optic fiber cables to these regions is either economically inexpedient or technically impossible.

The new project is an upgraded version of the present system known as Gonets which translates into the word Messenger in English. Davydov says that it is crucial for Russia to have the possibility of ensuring communication with any of its satellites at any time and linking them with the mission control centers. In short, days Davydov, Russia is lifting the Internet into orbit.

The developers emphasize that the "Kosmonet" does not depend on a ground infrastructure. Rather, communications will be maintained with the assistance of terminals and basic stations through satellites. Consequently, emergency situations such as earthquakes or other calamities cannot interrupt the proposed systems communications.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bruce Tennent, K6PZW, in Los Angeles.

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Davydov says that at present, there is no such a system, and his nation hopes to enter into this market first. (Southgate)

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Jim Davis, W2JKD, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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18. MMMonVHF Newsletter 2011-01-07

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Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our lastet NEWSLETTER of the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2011-01-07
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter one or two times per week.
For further detail please be so kind and refer at our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - welcome and enjoy ...

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
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** MMMonVHF Trophy: "Best VHF DX Expedition" of the Year 2010 **

As in the past years, as well the VHF DX Portal MMMonVHF start
to find the "Best VHF DX Expedition of the Year 2010".
The best expedition on 144 MHZ in the sector MS and/or EME will
be voted in the first 3 weeks of january 2011 as past years: Voting
is open from 01.01.2011 00:00UTC till 20.01.2011 23:59UTC
Link to the: http: Voting Page: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/dxvote.php
PS: The VOTING will of course only include Expeditions which was
spread out on the 2010 LATEST NEWS at Make More Miles on VHF!
If you interesting to see the results of past year:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/trophy2009.php
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/trophy2008.php
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/trophy2007.php
SOURCE: Jani, HA5CRX on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

** The 144 MHz EME NewsLetter - Current Issue January 2011 **

Since 2003 DF2ZC publishes the 144 MHz EME NewsLetter. This is
a free service for the EME community. Bernd, DF2ZC, informed us
that the latest edition of the EME-Newsletter is now available
at: http://www.df2zc.de/newsletter - EMENL201101 [971 KB] 73
SOURCE: tnx to Bernd, DF2ZC to MMMonVHF

** F3VS - SILENT KEY **

F3VS Claude is SK since yesterday, the first day of the year.
It was a super friend with whom have always spoke about EME CW.
All my sincere thoughts with its family...

SOURCE: F0CXO Christian - F1FLA Jean-Jacques at MoonNet
The Team of MMMonVHF will pass our deep sympathy and condolences
to his family. Rest in peace, Claude! SOURCE: The MMMonVHF Team

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
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and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: FG ; Square: FK96 ; Start: 2010-12-29 **
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Guadeloupe Island (French Antillas, FK96HF) qrv on 144 MHz EME
since 29.12.2010! LATEST NEWS, from Phil, dated 2011-01-06: hi all,
Sunny day today, so we have made some visits. Tomorrow till monday
I will try to be on air most of the time of the moon path. Be
carefull about my frequency! it can change because birdies. 143 is
very bad now so I will use 139 or 136 but the best is to have a
look on N0UK EME site. I hope to qso the missing stations during
this week end. A special attention will be done for the JA station
as soon as we will have a common window. GL all 73 - also use:
http://fgdxpeditionf1duz.monsite-orange.fr/index.html
has been updated. SOURCE: tnx to Phil, F1DUZ direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: DX0 ; Square: OK71 ; Start: 2011-01-06 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3266

DX0DX DXpedition to Spratly Islands in January 2011 - LATEST DX0,
SPRATLY ISLANDS Update 2011-01-04: Murphy has been hitting us
recently. Been having problems getting equipment out of customs,
but finally seeing light at the end of the tunnel. All equipment
is expected to be in Puerto Princesa, Palawan, on the morning of
January 5th. Thereafter, the gear will then need to be sent to
Pag-Asa. Some operators are also having weather related problems
enroute to DU, thus delaying them. Additionally, the charter flight
company advised that the plane to Pag-Asa will be delayed leaving
Manila by a day. Thus, DX0DX start-up is delayed too.
SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin

** DXCC: VK9N ; Square: RG30 ; Start: 2011-01-09 **
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Norfolk Island (RG30XX) DX Expedition, 2011
LATEST NEWS from Guy, VK2KU, dated 2011-01-06: VK9NA operations
will begin on the local morning of Sunday 9 January after setting
up on the previous day. At the other end the 19th is likely to be
the final day of operation, leaving the 20th for packing up.
EME on 2m is only one facet of the expedition, but they will try

to be QRV on EME as much as possible. Moonrise on Norfolk Island
on 9th January (local) is at 2210-1 UTC, ie at 2210 on 8th January
(UTC date). The team have chosen 144.125MHz (in 1st period) for
their 2m operations, both terrestrial and EME. It would be
appreciated if others who regularly operate on this frequency
would make way for this rare DXCC operation. Given the likely
pileup on 144.125, it might be best to leave 144.124 - 144.126MHz
clear of unrelated signals. Good luck to all
SOURCE: tnx to Guy, VK2KU in QSP from the Team, direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
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** V47JA qrv from his new Calypso Bay (FK87) again **

John, W5JON will be active as V47JA from his new Calypso Bay,
island of St. Kitts (IOTA NA-104, WW Loc. FK87PG) vacation home,
with full view of Caribbean, between 16th February and 30th March
2011. QRV on 80-6 metre SSB, including both the ARRL International
DX SSB Contest (5-6 March) and CQWW WPX SSB Contest (26-27th March)
both Single-Op/All-Band. Equipment will be TS-590S, KL-400
Amplifier (400 Watts) and Multiband Dipoles. XYL Cathy (W5HAM)
will also operate occasionally as V4/W5HAM. All QSL's via W5JON.
SOURCE: [NG3K] via ICPO Bulletin (31 Dec 2010 - 07 Jan 2011)

** VK9L, LORD HOWE ISLAND, qrv HF and 50 MHz **

Christopher, VK5CP, has once again return to Lord Howe Island
(OC-004) and will be active as VK5CP/VK9L until January 7th.
According to "DX-World.Net", Chris states, "I am using a half
wave dipole at 10m, an IC7000 and a LDG tuner. Power is about
50w. I can hear very well but my signal is weak (sorry, but the
14Kg luggage limit did not allow me to bring the Alpha 87A). I
am working SSB only 80-6m. Please QSL to VK5CP. I will make a
special QSL for VK5CP/VK9L."
SOURCE: VK5CP via Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #992

** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF **

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next thursday 2359 UTC ...

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** Many thanks to all our USER who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/kontact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
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19. XXX HOT PHOTOS&VIDEOS

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GB3JB, the 2m repeater located on the borders of Wiltshire, Somerset and Dorset, was powered by wind and solar power. The solar panel has been

stolen from the site and so GB3JB was switched off on 3 January. The repeater keeper will be checking the site for damage to the batteries or the wind turbine.

Advance notice now. The usual date for International Marconi Day in 2011 would have fallen on the Easter Weekend, so the organisers have changed the date to Saturday 30 April. Details of events will appear on the website www.gb4imd.org.uk in due course.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

The first rallies of 2011 will be on 16 January.

Dover Radio Rally will be held at Whitfield Village Hall, Dover CT16 3LY which is on the A2 just outside of Dover. The event was revived last year and was such a success that they have hired extra space for the rally this year. The focus will be on radio related items not other electronic bits and bobs. The website www.doverradiorally.com has all the usual information required.

The Red Rose Winter Rally will be held at the George H Carnall Leisure Centre, Kingsway Park, M41 7FJ. There is free car parking available and doors open at 11am. There will be trade stands, a Bring and Buy as well as an RSGB bookstall. Details from Steve on 07502 295 141.

Now for the news of special events

Midland Amateur Radio Society is celebrating the club's 80th anniversary. The special event station GB8OTH will be active each Wednesday between 7 and 9pm throughout January.

And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

Cezar, VE3LYC and Johan, PA3EXX will attempt a very challenging expedition to the Wollaston Islands and Diego Ramirez Islands between 7 and 22 January. The plan is to operate for four days from each group. However, weather and sea conditions can significantly influence this schedule.

Francis, F6BLP will be on holiday in Senegal from 8 to 21 January and will take the opportunity to get on the air as 6W7SK. QSLs go via the home call and also via Logbook of the World.

Eddy ON4AFU will be in Thailand for the next three months and will activate HS0ZJF. While there he hopes to do some island trips and operate as HS0ZJF/8 from IOTA AS-101 and as HS0ZJF/9 from IOTA AS-126.

Now the contest news

Today, 9 January, the CW AFS contest takes place from 1400 to 1800UTC on the 3.5MHz band. This event counts towards the new AFS Super league. Expect the competition to be tough in this one, but expect the competition to be even tougher in SSB AFS on Saturday 15th. The exchange on the 9th is signal report and serial number.

The 432MHz UK Activity Contest takes place on 11 January from 2000 to 2230UTC. Using all modes on the band the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

One of the 80m Club Championships SSB events takes place on 12 January between 2000 and 2130UTC. Remember the maximum power allowed in Club Champs is 100 watts, but for Foundation licensees and those who enjoy low power operation there's also a 10 watt category. The exchange is signal report and serial number.

Saturday 15 January sees the SSB AFS contest taking place between 1400 and 1800UTC. The exchange is signal report and serial number.

And now the solar forecast. This week we mainly take a look at the coming year, but first a very brief look at conditions over the Christmas and New Year period, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on the 4th of January.

Solar activity was very low and the geomagnetic field was mostly quiet over the Christmas and New Year period. The solar disc was spotless on some days and on others several sunspot groups were visible. This will be typical for the coming year. At times the solar disc will be spotless. However, these days will be few and far between, but when they do occur several spotless days could take place consecutively. Solar activity will be predominately very low but on occasions will increase to moderate levels. No X class solar flares have taken place so far during this sunspot cycle but there is a good chance that this will be rectified later in the year as the larger sunspot groups become more complex and active. Solar flux levels should vary between the 80's and, at times, up to the 120's. The 90 day solar flux average should continue to rise steadily and by the end of the year to around the one hundred mark. Geomagnetic activity will be at quiet levels on most days. Coronal hole disturbances will diminish as the year goes on. Therefore, most of any magnetic storms will result from coronal mass ejections. These type of storms tend to be larger than coronal hole type disturbances, but do not repeat month after month every 27 or 28 days.

So how will all this effect propagation? In general, HF conditions will gradually improve but will have to wait until after the summer months and into next autumn to witness a real improvement. By then 28MHz should be open to most continents on a regular basis. Remember that the F2 maximum usable frequencies are not as high in the summer as they are during the winter months. Also, during the summer months, the daily highs take place during the evening unlike the winter months that occur around local noon. The summer Sporadic-E season normally take place from the end of April to the middle to late August. Even though it takes place at any time during the day and occasionally at night, the most favoured times are mid-morning and again in the early evening. Higher up in frequency, at the VHF part of the spectrum, the usual well forecasted meteor showers will take place. Any prolonged weather patterns with a high pressure over the UK then tropospheric propagation can be expected to take place and including the UHF bands. Obviously, these can not be predicted weeks or months in advance but some of the largest and intense

openings have occurred during the autumn.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including e-mail addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS

RAF Waddington ARC is starting an Intermediate Course on Wednesday 19 January. For more information, or to book a place, please contact Bob Pickles, G3VCA, on 01522 528708 or email robert@pyewipe.co.uk.

On Monday 10 January Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is having an illustrated talk by Ian Hollingsbee, G3TDT, on his exploits as VK3BIH. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548478, daytime.

On Monday 10 January South Birmingham Radio Society is discussing aerials for field day contests. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Monday 10 January Stratford Upon Avon District Radio Society is having a guide to contesting by G3MXH. Contact G0CHO, on 01608 664488.

On Monday 10 January Sutton Coldfield Amateur Radio Society has its first meeting of the New Year. More information from Robert Bird, by email to spirit.guide@hotmail.co.uk.

On Tuesday 11 January Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is having a computer night. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Tuesday 11 January Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society is having an operating night and junk sale. For more information contact Peter D Rivers, G4XEX, on 01858 432105.

On Wednesday 12 January Hinckley Amateur Radio Society is taking part in the 80m Club Calls SSB contest. Details from John, M0JAV, on 07836 731544.

On Wednesday 12 January Lincoln Short-Wave Club is holding its AGM. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

On Wednesday 12 January Midland Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting and training classes. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 01214 229 787.

On Wednesday 12 January Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is looking at the progress and updates of Society projects. Contact Mike,

G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday 13 January South Birmingham Radio Society has training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Friday 14 January Bromsgrove & District Amateur Radio Club commences its New Year construction project. Contact Chris, M0BQE on 01905 776 869.

On Friday 14 January Coventry Amateur Radio Society is holding its annual dinner at the Beechwood Hotel. Booking is essential. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777363.

On Friday 14 January Nunsfield House Amateur Radio Group is having a talk on the path plotting and prediction program Radio Mobile by Ian Brown, G3TVU. Details from Ken Frankcom, G3OCA, on 01332 720976.

On Friday 14 January South Birmingham Radio Society Friday is having a construction evening. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Saturday 15 January Hinckley Amateur Radio Society is taking part in the AFS Contest. Details from John, M0JAV, on 07836 731544.

On Saturday 15 January Lincoln Short-Wave Club is putting G5FZ on the air and working around the shack. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND

A note to all the clubs in the North West Region that entries for the RSGB Club of the Year regional heats have to be submitted by midnight on 25 January. The winner will receive the Region 3 plaque, generously donated by LAM Communications. All Regional winners then go forward to the National final, the winner of which receives a cash prize of ?1,000 and a fabulous trophy. The National event is sponsored by Waters and Stanton. None of last year's national winners were from Region 3 so let's see if we can change that this year.

Bury Radio Society will be starting an Advanced Course on 25 January, with the exam on 16 June. If you are an Intermediate licensee and are interested please contact Norman Ball, G1HHU on 07525 932729 or via e-mail to g1hhu.norman@gmail.com. A Foundation course will commence in August.

On Monday 10 January Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on operating procedure and best practice by Nancy Bone. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 0191 477 0036.

On Monday 10 January Bolton Wireless Club is holding its AGM. For details, send an email to boltonwireless@gmail.com.

On Monday 10 January Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on light waves by Barry, G8AGN. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 10 January Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is on the air and having a natter night. Contact Colin Hirst, G0EPY, by email to colmay@sky.com.

On Tuesday 11 January Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society re-commences its Foundation and Intermediate licence training courses at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Mytholmroyd. Contact Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341317.

On Wednesday 12 January Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is having a shack activity night. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240573.

On Wednesday 12 January Maltby & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air. Contact Keith, G1PQW, on 07701 156 678.

On Thursday 13 January Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 0787 608 5631.

On Thursday 13 January South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having a talk on the fundamentals of radio by Ron, G3SVW. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 0161 969 3999.

On Friday 14 January East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is on the air. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND

No news items have been received for Northern Ireland this week.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND

On Tuesday 11 January Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club evening. Details from Norman, on 07740 946192.

On Wednesday 12 January Glenrothes and District Radio Club is having part two of the talk on PCB layout by John, MM0MBC. Details from Dave Francis, on 01383 823878.

On Wednesday 12 January Lothians Radio Society is having a video evening with Peter Dick, GM4DTH. Contact Andy Sinclair, by email to lrs_secretary@moosedata.com.

On Wednesday 12 January West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society is working on construction projects & licence training. More information from Fred Coombes, 2M0BIN, on 01415 715512.

On Friday 14 January Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club is having a normal club night. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723.

On Friday 14 January West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society has presentations, guest speakers, a raffle and quiz. More information from Fred Coombes, 2M0BIN, on 01415 715512.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA

On Monday 10 January Coulsdon Amateur Transmitting Society has its New Year Dinner. Contact Steve Beal, G3WZK, by email to secretary@catsradio.org.

On Monday 10 January Felixstowe & District Amateur Radio Society is closed. More information from Paul, G4YQC, by email to pjw@btinternet.com.

On Monday 10 January Surrey Radio Contact Club is having a talk by Chris Whitmarsh, G0FDZ on the GB3VHF story. Contact John, G3MCX, on 020 8688 3322.

On Monday 10 January West Kent Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by Malcolm, G8MCA, on his experiences in the Royal Signals TA. More information from Les, G6UBM, by email to westkentars@googlemail.com.

On Tuesday 11 January Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720815.

On Tuesday 11 January Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is having a club net night. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Tuesday 11 January Harwell Amateur Radio Society is preparing for the rally and having a quiz night. Contact Malcolm, G8NRP, on 01235 524844.

On Tuesday 11 January Leiston Amateur Radio Club is having a quiz night. Contact Dave, G4HUP, on 0777 764 8448.

On Wednesday 12 January Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting at Danbury Village Hall. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Wednesday 12 January Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is having a club net night. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Wednesday 12 January Farnborough & District Radio Society is having a surprise from G3KND. Details from Derek, G3OFA, by email to mail@farnboroughradio.org.uk.

On Wednesday 12 January Harwich Amateur Radio Interest Group is having a members' show and tell night. Details from Kevan, 2E0WMG, on 07766 543784.

On Wednesday 12 January Havering & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on Summits on the Air by Dave, M0TAZ and John, M0UKD. Contact John, M0UKD, on 07817 365354.

On Wednesday 12 January South Essex Amateur Radio Society is making preparations for the rally, led by Dave, G4UVJ. Contact Norman, M0FZW, on 01268 692776.

On Wednesday 12 January Southgate Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on Morse code by Nigel, G0RPM. Contact David Sharp, M0XDS, by email to david.sharp1@tesco.net.

On Wednesday 12 January Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is having a discussion evening. Details from Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816684.

On Thursday 13 January Bittern DX Group is having an informal meeting at Pinewood Park Leisure Club. Details from Linda, G0AJJ, on 01692 404154.

On Thursday 13 January Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society commences its Foundation course in Danbury Village Hall. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Thursday 13 January Echelford Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night, bring & buy sale and CW practice. Contact John, G4GSC, on 01784 451898.

On Thursday 13 January Edgware & District Radio Society is holding its AGM. More information from Mike, G4RNW, on 0208 950 0658.

On Thursday 13 January Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having its annual dinner. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564242.

On Thursday 13 January Reading & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by Tony Crake, G0OVA, on powerful transmitters in the BBC. Details from Pete, G8FRC, on 01189 695 697.

On Thursday 13 January Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a welcome back meeting. Details from David, G8UOD, on 01234 742 757.

On Friday 14 January Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its AGM. Contact Ron Huntsman, on 012233 501712.

On Friday 14 January Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society is having a video night. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 020 8502 1645.

On Friday 14 January Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is discussing the forthcoming year. Contact Peter, G4AKG, on 01444 239371.

On Friday 14 January Radio Society of Harrow is having a talk on PSK31. More information from Linda, G7RJL, on 0208 386 8586.

On Friday 14 January Wimbledon & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air and running Morse and Foundation training. Contact Andrew Maish, G4ADM, on 020 8335 3434.

On Saturday 15 January Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is running the CARS 80 Metre Contest. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Saturday 15 January Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society commences its weekend Foundation Licence course and exam. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 020 8502 1645.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST

On Monday 10 January Exeter Amateur Radio Society is having a club night. Contact Nick, on 01363 775756.

On Tuesday 11 January Blackmoor Vale Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on receiver measurements by Jim, G3RTD. Contact Tony, G0GFL, on 01258 860741.

On Tuesday 11 January Mid Somerset Amateur Radio Club is having part one of a talk on digital modes by Dave, M0SXZ. More information from Nick, M6NJB, on 01749 346320.

On Wednesday 12 January Blackmoor Vale Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. Contact Tony, G0GFL, on 01258 860741.

On Wednesday 12 January Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417048.

On Thursday 13 January South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is having a technical topics forum. Contact Len, G4RZY, on 01275 834 282.

On Thursday 13 January Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the Channel Tunnel by Deryck, G3YKC. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317750.

On Thursday 13 January Yeovil Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on radio astronomy by G0VFK. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk.

On Friday 14 January Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES

Mold and District Amateur Radio Club in Flintshire North Wales will be starting an Advanced course on 19 January, leading to the exam on 6 April. If you are an Intermediate licensee and can get to Mold Rugby Club on Wednesday nights please contact Steve Studdart, GW7AAV or Keith Williams, GW4OKT via the email addresses on QRZ.com. Further Foundation and Intermediate exam courses will be run during the year. Candidates will be asked to join the radio club and pay a small contribution towards course costs, which excludes project costs and RSGB exam fees.

On Sunday 9 January Aberystwyth & District Amateur Radio Society is having a junk sale. Details and space bookings from Ray, GW7AGG, on 01970 611853.

On Tuesday 11 January Marches Amateur Radio Society is holding its Christmas event. For more information contact Dave, MW0AYM, on 01691 777242.

On Thursday 13 January Aberystwyth & District Amateur Radio Society is closed. Details from Ray, GW7AGG, on 01970 611853.

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SILENT KEYS

It is with regret that it has to be announced that the keys of two radio amateurs became silent recently, they are: Flip Louw, ZS6BSI, brother of Willem, ZS6BPD, early on Monday 3 January 2011. Flip leaves his YL Poppie. J Theron, ZS6JMT, of the East Rand Radio Club, also on 2 January 2011 in Springs.

To their relatives and friends, our sincerest sympathies.

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In the news today:

JOIN THE SARL FOR ONLY R200

SA AMSAT CUBESAT PROJECT NEEDS PROGRAMMERS

AMATEUR ACTIVITY MORNING AT THE NARC

HOST AN AMATEUR RADIO STATION AT SUN CITY

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting news items.

JOIN THE SARL FOR ONLY R200

We invite non-members to get six months' membership of the SARL for only R200. All new applicants will also receive the November/December issue of Radio ZS. Download application forms from www.sarl.org.za. Applications will be processed from 12 January when the national office reopens. Persons who have not renewed their current membership are excluded from this offer.

All applications received by 15 January 2011 will be entered into the Lucky Membership draw for the chance of winning one of two 2011/2012 SARL memberships. The draw will take place at the NARC on 15 January at noon. Get your applications in or bring them on Saturday 15 January 2011.

SA AMSAT CUBESAT PROJECT NEEDS PROGRAMMERS

The development team for the planned South African CubeSat project is taking shape nicely. Amateurs with diverse specialist skills are offering their expertise from all over. "However, we still need a person with experience in programming PIC or 8051 microprocessors," Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, told SARL News.

"This person will be a critical member of the team and will be responsible for the development of the onboard controller software. Other amateurs who are interested in the development of the satellite and would like to join the development team are still welcome to send their Amateur Radio CVs to saamsat@intekom.co.za," Hannes said.

There will be an informal discussion at the SA AMSAT Satellite Forum at the NARC on Saturday 15 January at 10:00. The team will meet for its first formal teleconference on Wednesday evening 26 January 2011 at 20:00. Team members will receive a formal notification. Eddie, ZS6BNE, will show how to build a simple satellite antenna.

AMATEUR ACTIVITY MORNING AT THE NARC

There will be a number of events at the NARC on Saturday 15 January 2011 from 10:00. Besides the Satellite Forum, you can come and look at the Space Weather Monitor or try out D-STAR communication with the D-Star repeater being installed at the NARC. A number of books on amateur radio will also be on sale. To see a list of available books, go to www.amateurradio.org.za/books.htm. Books can be ordered online and paid for and collected at the NARC on Saturday or can be purchased in cash. No card facilities are available for book sales.

If you are not a member of the SARL yet, use the opportunity to sign up for R200 and enter a competition in which free memberships can be won.

HOST AN AMATEUR RADIO STATION AT SUN CITY

Radio clubs are invited to submit proposals to set up an HF and VHF amateur radio station at the IARU Region 1 Conference at Sun City. The conference will run from 11 to 19 August 2011 with delegates arriving on 12 August. The special call sign will be ZS11IARU and will be operational for the week.

The hosting club must provide a portable tower with an HF beam complete with rotator and cables, inverted V antennas for 40 and 80 metres, 70 cm and 2 m antennas, and at least one full-time operator to oversee activity. All delegates who are licensed in their own country will receive automatic permission to operate while in South Africa for the conference. Radio equipment will be supplied if required.

Full board and accommodation for two persons sharing will be provided for the duration of the event.

If your club can undertake the project, please email details of how you will execute the project, experience of the operator or operators and the person who will oversee the project to iaru2011@sarl.org.za by 28 February 2011. Please include contact telephone numbers.

CONTEST NEWS

The PEARS National VHF/UHF contest will take place on 21 to 23 January 2011. It is open to all licensed amateurs in South Africa and the neighbouring states of Namibia (V5), Botswana (A2), Zimbabwe (Z2), Mozambique (9), Lesotho (7P), and Swaziland (3DA). Only contacts with these states will count.

The aim of a VHF/UHF contest is to make many long-distance contacts, establish new records, encourage the improvement of equipment and have fun. This is a 44-hour dual contest for digital and analogue modes. Amateurs are requested to participate in both contests if possible and thus keep the bands alive. Activity will take place on 6, 4 and 2 metres as well as on 70 and 23 cm using FM, SSB and digital modes.

The first 22-hour session of the VHF/UHF contest starts at 18:00 CAT on Friday 21 January and closes at 16:00 CAT on Saturday 22 January. The second 22-hour leg starts at 16:01 CAT on Saturday 22 January and ends at 14:00 CAT on Sunday 23 January.

A valid contact consists of an exchange of call signs, signal reports and location such as the six-digit Maidenhead Locator or co-ordinates. Participation can be as a Base station, a Field station, a Club or Multi-Operator station or a Limited Category station. The complete rules can be found in the 2011 SARL Contest Manual and on the PEARS website at www.zs2pe.co.za/Contests/vuhf.htm.

SARL 80-METRE CLUB CONTEST

Only four logs were received for the November leg of the SARL 80 metre Club Contest. The Antique Wireless Association submitted two logs and 12 points, taking first place, the West Rand ARC submitted two logs with 10 points.

The overall results for all six legs are: 1st West Rand ARC, 341 points and 32 logs; 2nd ZS Contest Group, 186 points and 7 logs; 3rd The Antique Wireless Association, 166 points with 15 logs.

SARL NATIONAL FIELD DAY

The contest committee received 19 logs for the November SARL National Field Day made up of two single operators, 11 multi-operators and six general stations. The results are as follows:

Single operator 1st Johan de Witt, ZR5JF, 17 520 points 2nd Eddie Leighton, ZS6BNE, 6 075 points

Multi-operator 1st West Rand ARC, ZS6WR, 72 180 points 2nd Sasolburg ARC, ZS4SRK, 71 060 points 3rd Sandton ARC, ZS6STN, 65 900 points

General 1st Philip Esterhuizen, ZS4PJ, 62 010 points 2nd Pierre van Deventer, ZS6BB, 50 112 points 3rd Anton de Beer, ZR6ATN, 22 752 points

The complete and combined results will be published in HF Happenings during the week.

YOUNG AMATEURS CONTEST

YACHT, the Young Amateurs Contest Ham Team, once again invites all South African radio amateurs, especially young people, to participate in their weekly Echolink Youth Roundtable. From the 9th of January the new time is 21:00 CAT on Sundays, Echolink node 481872, the W8PIF repeater in Menominee, Michigan.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is still at low levels. Sunspots 1 140 and 1 142 remain visible although Sunspot 1 142 is rapidly fading away. The effective sunspot number is expected to be less than 25 for the coming week.

15 m will provide the best opportunities for DX followed by 20 m. Conditions to India will be good from the afternoon till after sunset. During the afternoons conditions will be fair towards Europe on 15 m, later to be followed by fair 20 m openings. Early evening 15 m contacts with the USA are possible. Contacts with Australia are possible on 20 m at sunrise and during the afternoons. 15 and especially 20 m openings to Brazil and South America are possible during the afternoons. With the good 15 and 20 m openings, 17 m will also be full of surprises.

For the CW and digital enthusiasts 30 m may be very rewarding with openings to many parts of the world.

Locally, 40 m is the workhorse for contacts around the country with 20 and 30 m also being very useful for contacts over the longer distances. 80 m will be best during the early mornings and late afternoons and also over the shorter distances.

80 m is the frequency of choice during the evenings.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

15 January - Satellite forum and other activities day at the NARC, starting at 10:00. 20 January 2011 - Closing date for submission for application for the May 2011 RAE bursaries; visit www.amateurradio.org.za for application forms. 20 January - Closing date for submission of proposals and synopses of papers for 2011 SA AMSAT Space Symposium to saamsat@intekom.co.za. 20 January - Cubesat project team teleconference at 20:00. 21/32 January - PEARS VHF/UHF contest. 30 January 2011 - Closing date for phase 1 of the construction

competition. 28 February - Offers to host a station at Sun City during IARU Region conference to be in to iaru2011@sarl.org.za.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Mirror International every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 560 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO.For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'ARMI' and follow the links. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 22:05 CAT on 3 215 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by Hester van der Walt.

Thank you for listening, 73.

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Counties Contest

The 80 metres EI/GI counties contest on Monday last was well supported, with almost all counties on the air at some stage during the 3 hour event. Our correspondents report that some counties - in particular Wexford and Tyrone - represented "rare DX" on the day, so stations from these and other rare counties would have been in great demand.

Although the majority of stations heard were from EI and GI, there was also a good level of support from mainland Britain. As daylight receded, some continental European stations began to take an interest in the contest.

As can be expected, operators had to contend with high noise levels most of the time. This encouraged some of the participants to switch to CW for extended periods: there seemed to be more CW activity this year than in previous years, especially during the final hour. In particular quite a few mainland British stations were heard looking for CW contacts.

The deadline for logs is 2nd February, logs should be sent to contestmanager /at/ irts.ie as soon as possible.

IRTS Radio News

Due to personal time constraints this will be the final bulletin produced by Charlie EI8JB who had to step down as news editor, this position has been filled by Aidan Noone EI7JC.

News from LEARC

Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club is delighted that that its county Fermanagh was well represented in the IRTS 80 metre counties contest.

Eight members set up the Club station on a hill-top in Cavanacaw. Sharing round the microphone, they logged 73 contacts and 28 counties.

Adding other stations in Irvinestown, Ballinamallard, Lisbellaw and Rosslea made about 120 Fermanagh contacts across Ireland.

Now the Club hopes that all 120 and more will come to Fermanagh in April for the thirtieth Lough Erne Rally.

Last year the Club's courses recruited a record 26 new members with Foundation licences. It is important that they progress in amateur radio. So it was good that half the Fermanagh operators were Foundation licensees.

What really counts now is to get all logs submitted by the deadline, to Thos at the above email address.

Cork Social Evening

Radio enthusiasts and their partners will meet at the Vienna Woods Hotel, Glanmire, Cork for dinner and a social evening on Saturday February 5th. A comprehensive menu is available to suit all tastes. Everybody is invited and it would be nice to meet some of the newer amateurs on the night.

Tickets are available from Dave Moore EI4BZ priced at 30.00 and you can contact him on 087-6290574 or by email at ei4bz at eircom.net. Previous events have been very successful and have been enjoyed by large attendances.

Theory Classes at DAR

Dundalk Amateur Radio Society will commence amateur radio theory classes Thursday February 3rd 2011. Classes will be held at the club premises 'Larkin House' EI7DAR, 113, Castletown Road, Dundalk.

This is an excellent opportunity for anyone interested in obtaining their amateur radio Licence in an adult learning relaxed environment.

For further information and details please contact ei4dib /at/ ei7dar.com or by text only to 086 4066660. Everyone welcome.

Region 4 Theory Classes

Following on from the successful classes last year, plans are being put in place for Radio Theory classes in Limerick.

Classes will also include lots of practical sessions and will be based on the revised syllabus as detailed on the IRTS website.

Classes will commence in February depending on numbers and those interested in attending should contact Ger McNamara EI4GXB on 087 2532512 or ei4gxb /at/ gmail.com

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DX News

The first major expedition of 2011 was due to start on 5th January. This was the multinational team signing DX0DX from the Spratly Islands

in the South China Sea.

Due to various problems the start date has had to be moved several days but hopefully the expedition is now on the air. A total of over 30 amateurs will take part in the operation which is scheduled to last until early next month.

As well as being a rare one for your DXCC this expedition also counts as AS-051 for your IOTA Award. QSL manager will be N2OO

Andrew G7COD is back in the Maldive Islands and QRV as 8Q7AK. He will be there till 16th January and QSLs go via his home call.

Seth SM0XBI will be in Dominica in the Caribbean until mid-March. Look for him operating his J79XBI callsign.

VE6LB will be in the United Arab Emirates until 8th February and will be QRV as A6/VE6LB from Dubai. He will be running 100 watts to a G5RV.

The 'DX Magazine' carried out a survey of the 'most wanted' DXCC entities last autumn and the results have just been published. The top 10 most wanted DXCC are as follows:-

1. North Korea 2. Navassa 3. Bouvet 4. Yemen 5.
Heard Island 6. Amsterdam Island 7. Marion Island 8.
South Sandwich Islands 9. Crozet 10. Scarborough Reef

LY13 special event stations

Between 12-27 of January Lithuanian amateurs will be operating with a prefix of LY13 more details are available on the website http://www.lrmd.lt/index_en.htm

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Radio Rallies

PHOENIX A.R.C.

Phoenix Amateur Radio Club annual rally will be held on Sunday 20th February 2011 in the usual venue, Coolmine Community School, Blanchardstown.

Doors open for Traders at 9.00 am Doors open to public 11.00am Admission 5 Euros. To book tables contact Tony at 0872439997 or Tom at 01-8211043.

Plenty of Parking, Refreshments and Bring and Buy Sale. All usual traders will attend.

This is the First Rally of 2011.

For further details on Rallies please see www.irts.ie/rallies

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This week in History

1838 The first telegraph message was sent using Morse code.

1838 Samuel Morse publicly demonstrated his telegraph for the first time in Morristown, New Jersey.

1904 Marconi Co's CQD - Distress signal introduced. Replaced by SOS in 1906.

Items for inclusion in next weeks Radio News should be forwarded to Aidan EI7JC, preferably via e-mail to "news dot ei7jc at gmail dot com" Or by phone to 085 7100511 News can also be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam at irts dot ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

32. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #993

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-09 22:19:25 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <551959.39278.qm@smtp102.sbc.mail.ac4.yahoo.com>
Source record: 5072
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Bulletin No. 993
BID: $OPDX.993
January 10, 2011
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 2nd-January, through Sunday, 9th-January there were 219 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5V, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, H40, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH9, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TR, TT, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VK9N, VP2V, VP6, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZD9, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS, ZS8

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3B8, MAURITIUS. Operators Joesp/EA3BT and XYL Nuria/EA3WL will be active as 3B8/EA3BT and 3B8/EA3WL from Mauritius between January 23-29th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters, mostly SSB and the Digital modes, with some CW. QSL both calls via EA3BT. Their Web site is currently under construction

and can be found here at: http://ea3bt.ure.es

4A, REVILLAGIGEDO. An international team of operators will activate
Revillagigedo Archipelago (IOTA NA-030) as 4A4A sometime in March.
Operators mentioned are Mark/XE1B (team leader), Javier/EA5KM, Elmo/EA5BYP,
Javi/EC4DX, Fernando/EA5FX, Vicente/EA5AFP, Santos/EA4AK and John/N5NTP.
QSL via EB7DX. The operation's Web page is: http://www.revillagigedo2011.com
A 4A4A Twitter page is also available at: http://twitter.com/#!/4A4A2011

4V1, HAITI. Look for members of the Radio Club d'Haiti (RCH) to activate
the special callsign 4V1 between January 10-20th. Activity is in remem-
brance of those who lost their lives during the earthquake that struck
Haiti (NA-096) on January 12th, 2010. Operations are expected to take
place from different locations on the island at various times. Frequency
and times will be announced on 14300 kHz (Inter-Con and MM Net Frequency)
in recognition of the assistance the nets provided for months following
the massive earthquake. It is suggested to check 14300 kHz for operation
times and frequencies often. QSL via N3OS.

5C/CN, MOROCCO (IOTA/WFF Op). Italian operators Leopoldo/I8LWL (5C2L),
Alfredo/IK7JWX (5C2J), Ruggero/IK2PZC (5C2P), Simon/IZ7ATN (5C2SG) and
Toufelaz/CN8QY will be active as CN2LWL from Herne Island (AF-068),
located in the large bay of Dakhla, between February 1-5th. QSL Manager
for CN2LWL is I8LWL. The team "may" also activate the WFF Natural Park
of Dakhla (Ref. No. CNFF-007) using the callsign 5C2J, 5C2L and 5C2P.
QSL via their home callsigns. For updates and an online log search after
their DXpedition, visit the Web page at: http://www.i8lwl.it

7P, LESOTHO. Operators Frosty/K5LBU (7P8CF) and Wayne/W5KDJ (7P8KDJ)
will be active from the "Trading Post Lodge" in Roma between March 11-20th.
Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. They plan
to have 2 full time stations on the air for the entire period using
a Tennadyne T6 at about 40 feet, a R7 vertical along with a Tennadyne
TD-160 which is a folded Dipole that is 126 feet overall in length.
QSL 7P8CF via K5LBU, direct or LoTW. QSL 7P8KDJ via W5KDJ, only direct
with SASE, LoTW and eQSL (No Bureau cards please). Visit their Web page
at: http://www.tdxs.net/lesotho2011.html
A log search Web page will be available after their return.

8Q, MALDIVES. Andrew, G7COD, is once again active as 8Q7AK from the
small island of Adaaran Select Hudhuranfushi, on the North Male Atoll,
until January 16th. He states that his operating time is limited to his
spare time because of work (he is not on holiday this time). According
to his Web page (edited): "Working conditions are an Icom IC7000, 100
watts output to a 135 ft. multiband doublet and a 9m high Rybakov vertical.
I will be QRV on 80 to 12 meters including the WARC bands using SSB and
CW. I will be transmitting on the following times and frequencies +/-
10 kHz to allow for QRM: 0730-0830z, 0900-1030z, 1300-1500z and 1730-1800z.
Suggested frequencies (+/- QRM) are:
CW - 3503, 7003, 10103, 14003, 18073, 21003 and 24893 kHz
SSB - 3795, 7063, 14190, 18133, 21253 and 24953 kHz"
QSL via his home callsign, direct (see Web page) or by the bureau.

Andrew now has a dedicated Web page at: http://8q7ak.freewebspace.com
IMPORTANT NOTE: Andrew, states, "I am completely up to date with the return of QSLs for those received direct from previous activations. If you have not received yours, please send your QSL again."

8th AAW IN FEBRUARY. Look for the 8th Antarctic Activity Week (AAW) to take place between February 21-27th. This event is promoted by Worldwide Antarctic Program (WAP) <http://www.waponline.it> each year to improve the world-wide attention about the Antarctic Continent and its related matters, with the aim of staying close to the researchers and personnel who are spending their time away from home and families, studying the Antarctic life and its secrets in the so many remote scientific stations in this icy continent. The WAP is also thankful for what the Nations and Research Foundations are doing to protect this still uncontaminated corner of the planet and to share a message of peace among the world. The AAW is a unique event world-wide where Hams (in any corners of the world) sign up and help promote the special attention given to the Antarctica. This year 2011, the AAW is at its 8th edition and as usual, is open to all radio amateur wishing to join them using a special callsign which help promote the Antarctica. All SES with a WAP reference number will qualify for WAP ASEA (Antarctic Special events Award). The WAP Ref. number for any special callsign requested/issued for this occurrence can be provided upon request by sending a E-mail to I1HYW (QRZ.com). The list of partici-pants is still open and is available at:
http://www.waponline.it/Default.aspx?tabid3

9H, MALTA. John, G8HWI, will once again be active as 9H3JS between January 18-30th. Activity will be holiday style mainly on 20 meters PSK31 using a "Small Wonder Labs" PSK-20 transceiver at 3 watts, or with an ICOM 703, usually at 8-10 watts. John states that almost all his operating will be either 6 feet above the sea, right at the edge, or about 20 feet above it, and 60 feet back from the edge. His antennas will be a wire dipole, an inverted Vee or a end fed half wave, strung vertically up a fiberglass fishing pole. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

A6, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES. Gerry, VE6LB, will once again be active as A6/VE6LB from Dubai between January 12th and February 8th. Activity will be limited (holiday style) using 100 watts into a G5RV antenna (40-10m) and mainly on CW. QSL direct via his home callsign (QRZ.com address) or LoTW. Bureau QSLs can be requested via E-mail at:
ve6lb@telus.net
Visit his Web page at: http://www.telusplanet.net/public/telwest/ve6lb.htm
He hopes to have an on-line log at:
http://logsearch.de/index.php/online-logsearch

AO1, SPAIN (AAW Op). Operators Fernando/EA1GHT, Juanjo/EA1WX, Jose/EA1CUB, Javier/EC1KV, Daniel/EB1LA, Juan/EA1AUM and Jose/EA1CS will activate AO1AAW (WAP-203) during the 2011 Antarctic Activity Week (see 8th AAW above). Activity will be on 160-10 meters, including the 30/17/12 meters, using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via EA1GHT, direct, by the Bureau or

LoTW.

CE, CHILE. Didier, F6DXE, is currently here traveling throughout Chile. He is expected to be active as CE(?)/F6DXE using 100 watts into a vertical antenna. Didier is trying to be active at least one hour per day mostly when the propagation is good for Europe on CW (7025 or 14025 kHz) and SSB (7140, 14205, 21250 or 28450 kHz). He is travelling from CE7 to CE6, CE4, CE5 and CE3 until January 20th. QSL via his home callsign.

CQ3/CT9, MADEIRA ISLANDS. Helmut, DF7ZS, will be active as CT9/DF7ZS between March 22-29th. Activity will be holiday style and will focus on the WARC bands. QSL via DF7ZS. Also, he will be active as CQ3L during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL CQ3L via DJ6QT and CT9/DF7ZS via DF7ZS.

CW5, URUGUAY (Special Event). Members of the Centro Radio Aficionados Montevideo (CRAM) will use the special callsign CW5RV throughout the year 2011 in memory of Mr. Louis Varney (SK), ex-2ARV/G5RV/CX5RV, who invented the world-famous G5RV multi-band antenna. QSL via: P.O.BOX 6000, 11000 Montevideo, URUGUAY.

DXCC NEWS (PJ Certificates). It has been reported that Kathy Allison, KA1RWY, LoTW Specialist, states, "At this time, there will be no new PJ certificates or credits being accepted for the new PJ DXCC entities by LoTW. This is due to the large backlog of DXCC applications that were received for the December 31, 2010 deadline. It is anticipated that the backlog should be completed by mid to late February. We should be accepting new PJ certificates and credits for LoTW by March 1, 2011. We understand the anticipation for certificates and credits for the new PJ DXCC entities and are working hard to make this available as soon as possible."

DX0, SPRATLY ISLANDS. It seems that this operation has been delayed somewhat. As this was being typed, a report states that all the team members were still in Puerto Princesa (Palawan) Sunday morning and waiting in several hotels. The group is awaiting the last authoriza-tions to leave DU-land to DX0DX and hope to receive it on Monday. It is recommended to watch their Web site for updates at: http://www.dx0dx.net Also, checkout their Twitter page at: http://twitter.com/DX0DX#

H4, SOLOMON ISLANDS. Tom, VK4FTDX, will be on holiday in Vavaya Ridge, Honiara, on Guadalcanal Island (OC-047), between now and January 18th. Tom states that "this is not a DXpedition • will have radio equipment with me and will be active" sometime on the HF bands. He will use the callsign H44FT. QSL via VK4FTDX, by the Bureau or direct.

IOTA NEWS.....
OC-139. Andrey, VK5MAV, will be active as VK5MAV/5 from Kangaroo Island between February 15-21st. Activity will be holiday style and mainly on 40 and meters CW and some possible SSB. Suggested frequencies (if not in use or QRM) are 7012 kHz and 14012 kHz, listen up 1-2 kHz. SSB frequencies • no idea at the moment.

Suggested operating time: 0900z until propagation ends,
starting on 20m with later migration to 40m. He will use an
IC-7200 w/100 watts into 2 element vertical phased on 40m and
a G5RV for the rest of bands. For direct QSLs, read details
on QRZ.com. If you are not in a rush, all QSLs will be sent
via the QSL Bureau 6-7 months later. Free of charge!

OC-165. Operators John/9M6XRO and Steve/9M6DXX will be active as
9M6XRO/8 (CW) and 9M8Z/P (SSB), respectively, from Pulau
Satang Besar, between February 25-28th. They plan to use
two stations with amplifiers into a Hexbeam and verticals
located on the beach. QSL both 9M6XRO/8 and 9M8Z/P via M0URX,
by the Bureau, direct (w/SAE plus 1 IRC / 2 USDs) or LoTW.
QSL requests can be made using M0URX's OQRS form at:
http://www.m0urx.com/qsl-request-form

SA-031. By the time you read this, operators Cezar/VE3LYC and Johan/
PA3EXX will be active as CE9/VE3LYC and CE9/PA3EXX from
Wollaston Islands. Activity will be on 40/30/20/17/15 meters
using CW and SSB. The length of their stay is unknown at
this time, but the duo is expected to also activate Diego
Ramirez Islands (SA-097). It was announced earlier that they
were expected to be active between approx. January 7-22nd.
QSL via VE3LYC, by the Bureau or direct (mail or PAYPAL; see
Web page for details). For updates, check the following Web
page at: http://ce9iota.weebly.com/index.html
LAST MINUTE UPDATE: Just before going to print, CE9/PA3EXX/p
was spotted on 17 meters.

JW, SVALBARD. Jon, LA8HGA, and possibly others will be active as JW8HGA
from the JW5E club station in Longyearbyen, Spitsbergen Island (EU-026)
between February 4&#65533;8th. This will be a CW only operation on the HF bands.
QSL via LA8HGA, by the Bureau or direct (see QRZ.com). PLEASE NOTE: Jon
states, "I will need 2 USDs for Europe and 3 USDs for outside Europe in
return postage. (I have absolutely NO intention of making money on my
hobby, but unfortunately, the postage rates in Norway is this high.) All
direct cards without sufficient postage will be answered via the Bureau."

KH2, GUAM. Hisashi, JF2SKV/NH0S, will be active as NH0S/KH2 during the
ARRL DX CW Contest (February 19-20th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-
Power entry. JF2SKV accepts QSL cards via JARL (JA QSL Bureau). Please
DO NOT send your cards to his Saipan address or KH2(KH0) QSL Bureau.
Visit his Web page at: http://homepage2.nifty.com/jg3vei

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (For January 10-16th)....
Jan 10 AN SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS
Jan 11 AN --------------------
Jan 12 AN BN - Below Normal
Jan 13 AN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Jan 14 AN LN - Low Normal
Jan 15 AN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED

Jan 16 AN DIS - Disturbed
VDIS - Very Disturbed

GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

LY13, LITHUANIA (Special Event). Look for Lithuanian radio amateurs to activate the following LY13 special event stations between 2200z, January 12th and 2200z, January 27th. Activity is to mark the 20th anniversary of the "January 13th" event, where the Soviet army in 1991 attempted to occupy the independent Lithuania - all communications were blocked and only radio amateurs were the first who help to spread out the information about invasion around the world. There will be no awards issued for this event. This operation is "in memory". They hope some amateurs around the world can still remember this night... For more information, see:
http://www.lrmd.lt/index_en.htm
Special event stations mentioned are:
LY13A op. LY5A LY13J op. LY3J LY13V op. LY3V
LY13B op. LY3BY LY13M op. LY3M LY13W op. LY3W
LY13E op. LY3NX LY13O op. LY8O LY13X op. LY3X
LY13G op. LY1G LY13Q op. LY4Q LY13Z op. LY2GV
LY13H op. LY2H LY13T op. LY2QT

MJ, JERSEY. Kazu, JK3GAD, will be active as MJ0CFW from Jersey (EA-013) between March 18-21st. Activity will be on 160-10 meters including an entry in the Russian DX Contest. QSL via LoTW or via M0CFW.

NCDXF PRESS RELEASE (Northern California DX Foundation 2010 Report). Glenn, W0GJ, Vice President of NCDXF, reports: "NCDXF sincerely appreciates all of the contributions we receive annually from many Radio Amateurs and DXer's. Contributions may be designated to the General Fund, the W6EEN Memorial Scholarship Fund, and/or the NCDXF Beacon Fund.
We particularly want to recognize those major contributors who were extremely generous in 2010:
http://www.ncdxf.org/pages/majorcontributors.html
NCDXF supported many DXpeditions in 2010 and many more in 2011. NCDXF also supported WRTC 2010 in Russia and plans to support WRTC 2014 in New England. See <http://www.ncdxf.org> for more details. NCDXF is a 501 (c) 3 and as such, contributions may be tax deductible."

THE NEW DXER'S HANDBOOK (Free!). Curt, K7CU, President of the Utah DX Association (UDXA), informs OPDX that a free small document (44 pages) is available online at: http://www.udxa.org
You will see it listed along the left side of the page, in the box labeled "About UDXA". At the bottom of the list you will see a link to the handbook (in PDF format). The handbook was put together by one of UDXA members who recently completed his stint as Immediate Past President (Bryce Anderson, K7UA) and is accomplished DXer.

OK, CZECH REPUBLIC (60m). According to the "W8GEX 60m News", operators OK1RP, OK1HAS, OK1IF, OK1KT, OK1FBH, OK1DOH and OK1DSS have been issued a license to operate on 60 meters. Their current license states it is valid until the end of 2011. Their 60m band is limited to: 5258.5 - 5261.5 MHz. They request that the U.S. hams please listen on 5258.5-5261.5 only, as there is some low activity from other countries working in that range. They will be listening on Channel 5.

P29, PAPUA NEW GUINEA (IOTA DXpedition/Update). Operators Luis/CT1AGF, Derek/G3KHZ, Mike/G3JKX, Martyn/G3UKV, Hans/SM6CVX, and non-ham Stig, will be going on another P29 DXpedition during the month of April. This is the tentative schedule for the following IOTA islands:
April 2-7th - Feni Island (OC-101); callsign P29VCX; QSL via SM6CVX.
April 8-14th - Nuguria Island (OC-257); callsign P29NI; QSL via G3KHZ.
April 15-18th - Green Island (OC-231); callsign P29VLR; QSL via SM6CVX.

Hans, SM6CVX, will activate the following himself:
April 22-25th - Misima Island (OC-117); callsign P29VCX; QSL via SM6CVX.
April 25-27th - Loloata Island (OC-240); callsign P29VCX; QSL via SM6CVX.

The team will use the M/V Barbarian to travel between the islands. Activity from all locations will be on all HF bands, including 6 meters, using CW, SSB and RTTY. They plan to have at least 4 stations on the air at all the time. For updates and more details, watch the Web page at: http://p29ni.weebly.com

PJ2, CURACAO. YL Gayle, K6GO, will be active as PJ2/K6GO from Signal Point Station on Curacao Island (SA-099, WLOTA LH-0942) between March 18-21st. Activity will be on the HF bands. QSL via her home callsign.

PJ2, CURACAO. Members of the Caribbean Contesting Consortium (CCC) will once again activate Signal Point Station on Curacao (SA-099, WLOTA LH-0942) between March 22nd and April 6th. Operators mentioned are: Geoff/W0CG (PJ2DX), Jack/N4RV, Marty/K2PLF and possibly others. Look for them to sign PJ2T during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 26-27th) as a Multi-Single or Multi-2 entry. Outside the contest, operators will use PJ2/homecall or their personal PJ2 callsigns. QSL via their home callsigns. QSL PJ2T via N9AG or LoTW.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated January 9th)

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3Z5WOSP via SP5PMD EA8/DL3KVR via DL3KVR P4/WA2CAM via WA2CAM
5N5K via LZ1CL EN1QFF via US3QQ PD30GWF via PD1GWF
5T0JL via ON8RA HI9/IZ4AFW via IZ4AFW T88AQ via JH6WDG
8Q7AK via G7COD HZ1FS via EA7FTR UN9GD via DL8KAC
D2AM via OM5AM IO7DAI via IK7JWX V85TX via W3HNK
DR1050EB via DL2VM IQ9MK via IT9AKB VK5CP/VK9L via VK5CP
DU1/K3LP via K3LP OE1KIDS via OE1XIC W6KNH/KH0 via JQ1KNH
EA6/OE6MBG via NR1R OM3R via OM3CFR ZL3FRI via JA3FRI
ZL50VK via ZL1VK

QSLS VIA LoTW: 4B2S, 5I3A, 5X1NH, 9X0TL, 9X0TL, A25HQ, C91DL, DL3YA, DL4NAC, DL4NN, DL9RDM, E51NOU, EA3AIZ, EA3AJW, EA6UP, EN220FI, FM5CD, GJ6YB, GM4YXI, IS0GQX, JS1IFK, M0BZH, MD0CCE, MU0ASP, OG4X, OK1DG, ON4WW, OP4K, OR2M, PU8TEP, RA6LW, RN0SS, RU3UR, S50PTUJ, SE6Y, SN7Q, SV1EBV, TO5DX, TO7ZG, UA3KW, UU7JM, YV5OIE and ZL8X

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3DA0TM, 8R1RPN, 9U0A, 9X0SP, AH0BT, C6ATA, ER1DA, ER650M, JY5HX, LU/F5AHO/p, LU1ZA, PJ2/N2MF, PJ4D, PJ5/SP6EQZ, PJ6A, PJ7E, PX8J, PX8L, TO7ZG, XX9TLX, YE0A and YI9PSE

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: A07AJR, D68BT, IM0/IK0FMB, JW/CT1BWW and OL7R

SI9, SWEDEN (Special Event). Special event station SI9AM from the King Chulalongkorn Memorial in Ragunda, Sweden, the largest Thai Pavilion in the world outside Thailand, will be active between January 26-31st. Operators will be Raf/ON5RZ, Dirk/ON7DS and Fons/ON4AWT. The trio plan to be an entry in the UBA DX Contest (January 29-30th). Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and FM. Suggested frequencies are: CW - 1817, 3517, 7017, 10117, 14017, 18077, 21017, 24897 and 28017 kHz SSB - 1840, 3760, 7060, 14210, 18160, 21310, 24960 and 28510 kHz FM - 145.550 MHz and repeater RV49 - 145.612. QSL via SM3CVM, direct or by the Bureau. For more information, visit the SI9AM Web page at: http://www.si9am.se

T70, SAN MARION (Party/Special Event). For its first year, "DxCoffee.com" is organizing a full weekend of radio and friendship in the San Marino Republic between February 11-13th. You can visit an amazing country, meet other Hams from around the world and operate the special event station T70DXC. The special event station will be on the air between February 1-13th. Activity will be on the HF bands and 6 meters. QSL Manager for T70DXC is Pasquale La Gamba, IZ8IYX. QSL is available by the Bureau, LoTW or direct at: Pasquale La Gamba, Via Affaccio 68, Vibo Valentia 89900, Italy. For the complete details on "DxCoffee's 1st Birthday Party" and operating from T70DXC, visit: http://www.dxcoffee.com/happybirthday

T8, PALAU. Tsutomu, JA1VND, will be active as T88TF from Palau Islands (OC-009) between January 14-18th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign.

TO2, MAYOTTE. Brazilian operators Jose/PT9ZE, Ric/PY2PT, Anderson/PY2TNT, Alex/PY2WAS and Fernando/PY4BZ depart from Brazil on April 15th, and head to Paris and then onwards to Mayotte on the 17th. The group will use the special callsign TO2FH between April 18-25th. Their plans are to have three stations active simultaneously on 160-10 meters using CW and SSB. More details and the QSL route is forthcoming.

V3, BELIZE. Gerd/DJ4KW and Gisela/DK9GG will once again be active as V31YN and V31GW, respectively, from Belize between January 6th and February 27th. They will also once again be active as V31YN/p and V31GW/p, respectively, from Blue Marlin Lodge on Southwater Caye (NA-180), between February 2-8th. Operations will be on all bands and modes. Activities will also include the following contest: CQWW 160m CW, FOC Marathon, CQ

WPX RTTY, ARRL DX CW and CQ 160m SSB Contest. QSL via their home callsigns, direct or by the Bureau or LoTW. For more details about their operation, see: http://www.qslnet.de/member/dj4kw/v31yn.htm

V3, BELIZE. Ken, N2ZN, will be active as V31AM from Placencia (V31MD QTH) between March 2-8th. He plans to be in the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 5-6th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. Activity before and after the contest will be mainly on CW or possibly some Digital modes and on the 30/17/12 meter bands. QSL via N2ZN, direct or by the Bureau. PLEASE NOTE: Ken states that Bureau cards could take a very very long time because the NJDXA Bureau has stopped forwarding cards to the "Z" hams in the second district. He mentions that he will also get the logs on LoTW sometime after the contest.

V4, ST. KITTS. Mike, W1USN, will be in St Kitts from February 12-24th. Callsign will probably be V4/W1USN like last time he was there. He will try to get on 60 meters while there. QSL via his home callsign.

V8, BRUNEI. Operators John/9M6XRO and Steve/9M6DXX, will be active from Brunei (OC-088) for 2 days between February 22nd and March 2nd, while travelling to and from IOTA OC-165 (see above). Their callsigns are yet to be confirmed, but they may be signing V85/GD3OOK and V85/G4JVG or V85/9M6XRO and V85/9M8Z. QSL both callsigns via M0URX, direct (w/SAE plus 1 IRC/2 USDs), by the Bureau, or LoTW. Alternatively, QSLs may be requested using M0URX's OQRS form at: http://www.m0urx.com/qsl-request-form

VP8/O, SOUTH ORKNEY ISLANDS. A "VP8ORK Press Release #4" was sent out this past week by James Brooks, 9V1YC, and states: "The VP8ORK DXpedition is fast approaching and all systems are go for an on-time sailing. Our container of cargo is already in Southern Argentina, and the Braveheart is ahead of schedule to meet us when we all arrive in a few weeks. We expect to be on the air with 7 stations, including the 80m and 160m, no later than January 27. Our operating frequencies are now listed here: http://vp8o.com/vp8freqs.html
As has been said before, major DXpeditions to remote Antarctic islands take an enormous amount of money to execute. Chartering a ship, obtaining environmental permits, food, provisions, heat, shelter, generators, life support... all of this adds up to an unbelievable expense just to hand out a 'new one' to the DXer at home. This means we need support from each and every one of you out there to make this happen. No amount is too small, so please consider donating. Details on how to make an easy contribution by PAYPAL can be found on our website at: http://www.vp8o.com
We look forward to hearing you on the bands in a few weeks."

VQ5, TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS. Operators Stan/AC8W, Jim/KB8TXZ and Lee/N8LJ will be active as VQ5D from the Turks and Caicos Islands during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 19-20th) as a Multi-Single entry. Activity is in remembrance of Hank, K8DD. QSL via AC8W.

YASME EXCELLENCE AWARDS. Wayne Mills, N7NG sent out the following press release on January 4th, to announce the "Yasme Excellence Awards": "The Yasme Excellence Awards are given to individuals who through their own

service, creativity, effort and dedication have made a significant contribution to amateur radio. <http://www.yasme.org/excellence.html> The contribution may be in recognition of technical, operating or organizational achievement as all three are necessary for amateur radio to grow and prosper. The YASME Foundation recognizes the following individuals in order to inspire them and others on behalf of amateur radio now and in the future.
* Ram&#65533;n Santoyo V, XE1KK, who is recognized for his work in advancing Mexican ham radio and representation within the international radio community. In addition, Ram&#65533;n serves as IARU Region 2 Secretary. He has been a tireless advocate of amateur radio in Central America and a strong proponent of radiosport and the World Radiosport Team Championships. Voices like Ram&#65533;n's help the amateur community work together worldwide, strengthening our position and reputation as important members of the wireless community.

* Makoto (Mako) Mori, JE3HHT, who deserves much credit for popularizing RTTY by writing the MMTTY software modem and making it available for integration into logging software. He also wrote MMVARI, which implements other popular digital modes, and several other digital mode software products. MMTTY is a great product and Mako has exhibited great ham spirit with a huge effect as can be observed as RTTY operation continues to be the fastest growing mode of HF digital operation.

* Bruce Horn, WA7BNM, who continues to generate useful and innovative web sites including a complete upgrade of his excellent contest calendar Web site. Bruce supports contesting with a web site that enables contesters to convert paper and other forms of contest logs to Cabrillo format. His 3830 score reporting and compilation service has changed the nature of radiosport. Bruce was also a key player in the initial efforts to develop methods of exchanging scoring information in the web-friendly XML format.

* Rick Meuthing, KN6KB, for developing the new WINMOR sound-card digital mode software now gaining wide use in the worldwide Winlink 2000 system. Many attempts at approaching the performance of the proprietary PACTOR III protocol and hardware failed before WINMOR, attesting to the difficulty of the problem. Rick also invented an improved 'channel busy' detector that senses many different types of modulation and will drastically reduce the inter mode QRM common from other semi-automated digital protocols.

* Mikael Styrefors, SM2O, who has developed the Remote Radio Interface. The ability to connect radios and operators transparently and robustly over the Internet is a key technological element of putting top-grade remote HF stations on the air - something more common every day. Remote stations will undoubtedly be important and popular in making and keeping amateur radio available to urban and suburban amateurs as they deal with mounting antenna restrictions and an increasingly noise-filled and interference-prone electromagnetic environment.

* Alex Shovkoplyas, VE3NEA, for developing DX Atlas, Morse Runner, HAM-CAP, CW Skimmer, Rocky and other innovative software. Alex's products are making a remarkable impact on the competitive HF operating environment. The quality of the software is remarkable, and having it available to the amateur community at little or no cost demonstrates excellent ham spirit. Programs like these are rapidly expanding the technological frontier of radio in general and are prime examples of how amateurs can continue to make contributions.

* Pepe Ardid, EA5KB, who makes it possible for many Latin American DXers, who are in many cases saddled with deficient postal services and QSL Bureaus, to confirm contacts with attractive and unique QSL cards. Confirmations are rapid and he confirms not only direct but via bureau as well. Pepe contributes countless hours of service in support of his fellow amateurs so they can continue to participate in one of amateur radio's most cherished traditions.

For additional information about the Yasme Foundation see:
http://www.yasme.org "

ZS8, MARION ISLAND (Update). Pierre, ZS1HF/ZS8M, is reportedly active from the new base on Marion Island. One reports that he is using the emergency antenna there to avoid the heavy QRN problems, and he sounded somewhat weaker than on the Stepper IR vertical. QSNs show this past week that Pierre has been on 40/20/17/15 meters.

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=help>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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Excerpts and distribution of The OPDX Bulletin are granted as long as KB8NW/OPDX/BARF80 receive credit. To contribute DX info, please send via InterNet Mail to: kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org - OR - kb8nw@arrl.net
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33. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC News 2010-01-10

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-11 01:13:12 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4D2BAE23.3080604@rac.ca>
Source record: 5073
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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(VIA the IARU Bulletin)

Canadian Amateur wins YASME award

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<http://www.dxatlas.com/>

(VIA the IARU Bulletin)

Hi

Noel Donawa, 9Y4NED, Area E Director of IARU Region 2, has reported; that Caribbean Emergency & Weather Net (CEWN), has built their new Web page.

This CEWN'S Web page has been built by the Webmaster, Waine J73WA.

The purpose of the CEWN is to handle all forms of Amateur Radio traffic, pass weather information, and emergency traffic.

The CEWN is doing meetings twice daily at 10:30 and 22:30 UTC on frequency 3.815 MHz. During emergencies, extended their sessions, and will be conducted on 7.162 as conditions dictate.

Please follow the link for more information:

<http://dominicapsn.freeyellow.com/Joomla/index.php?option=com_content&view=frontpage&Itemid=1>

(English only)

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Cesar P&#65533;o Santos A. HR2P
Emergency Coordinator of
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34. [DXNL] DXNL 1710 (Dec 12, 2011)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-11 12:26:07 UTC
From: Michael Oerter <dj5av@kabelbw.de>
Message-ID: <000f01cbb18a$42e38000$6600a8c0@pumax>
Source record: 5074
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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translation by: Mike, DJ5AV
(direct: dj5av@darc.de)

A6 - United Arab Emirates: Gerry, A6/VE6LB, will be on the air January 12th through February 9th. It will be a holiday style operation mainly CW with some digital, running 100W to a 40-10m G5RV antenna. QSL via homecall (direct, bureau or LoTW). Internet: www.telusplanet.net/public/telwest/ve6lb.htm & http://logsearch.de/index.php/online-logsearch .

CE - Chile: Didier, CE/F6DXE, is travelling through Chilean call aereas CE7 CE6, CE4, CE5 and CE3 until January 20th. Look for him on 7.025, 14.025 MHz CW and 7.140, 14.205, 21.250, and 28.450 MHz SSB using 100 watts and a vertical. QSL via home call.

D2 - Angola: Laci, OM5AM, is active as D2AM from Luanda until March 17th. So far he has been on 20 m RTTY and SSB. QSL via home call, direct or via bureau.

FR - Reunion: Look for Frederic, ex-F5INL, as FR8NE from Reunion (AF-016) using 20/17/15/12/10 m mostly on CW through July 2012. QSL direct to: Frederic Bossu, 2 Chemin des Grenadiers, 97490 Sainte Clotilde, Reunion, or via bureau.

H4 - Solomon Islands: Once again Bernhard, DL2GAC, will spend 3 months in Honiara, Salomonen (Guadalcanal, OC-047), January 13th through April 12th. He will use a Yaesu FT-857, an Ameritron 500M linear, 4ele 5 band beam for 14, 18, 21, 24 and 28 MHz, dipoles for 40 and 80 m, and maybe an inverted-L for 160 m at the 18 m Spiderbeam mast. Bernhard operates mainly SSB again, but will give RTTY and PSK a try this time. Probably he will stay in the capital Honiara, he might look for a IOTA activity after arrival. QSL as always via home call/bureau or direct to DL2GAC.

PJ4 - Bonaire: Hennie, PJ4/PE1MAE, left Bonaire because of problems in his family, there is no information when he might continue his activity.

T8 - Palau: Find Tsutomu, JA1VND, as T88TF on Palau (OC-009) January 14th through 18th using 160 through 10 m on CW and SSB. QSL via home call.

V31 - Belize: Gerd (DJ4KW/V31YN) and Gisela (DK9GG/V31GW) should now be in in Belize for a vacation until late February. Gerd will otimise the antenna for 160 m and take part in the 160 m CQWW contest. Probably he will go to Southwater Caye (NA-180) February 2nd through 8th as V31YN/p. QSL via home call, direct, via bureau or LoTW, Gisela also uses eQSL on request. Find them in the Internet at www.qslnet.de/member/dj4kw/v31yn.htm .

Darren, VA3EGG, will be on as V31DI this month (no exact date) on Maya Beach, Placencia, using 160 through 6 m, mainly 6, 20 and 40 m on SSB. QSL via home call, "direct only".

VK9X - Christmas-Island : A group of Japanese OPs, Takeo/JA3BZO (VK9XA), Hiroko/ JH3PBL (VK9XL), Shimatake/JI3DNN (VK9XN), Masumi/JA3AVO (VK9XO), Nakasako/ JA3UJR (VK9XJR), Kunio/JA1CJA (VK9XXY), and Nishimura/JA3HJI (call not yet known), will be active January 14th through 20th from Christmas Island (OC-002). They will operate on 160 through 6 m using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSLs via home calls. Find more information at www.nakade.jp/vk9x.htm .

3D2 - Fiji: Udo, DL9HCU, again will be in Pacific Area for 2 months, this time with no island hopping but operating as 3D2HC on OC-017, using his QRP rig. Find him on 14.002 or 14.025 MHz on CW, or using SSB on 14.183 MHz from 0500 through 0800 UTC, sometimes also in the ANZA Net. QSL via DL9HCU, via bureau or direct to: Udo Moeller, Mienenbuettel 4, 21629 Neu Wulmstorf, GERMANY.

5R - Madagascar: Look for 5R8HL on AF-013 and on Nosy Be Island (AF-057) activated by Andy/SM1IRS, Al/SM4HAK, and Eric/SM1ALH, January 17th through February 4th. They will be on 80 through 10 m using CW and SSB. QSL via SM1ALH, direct or via bureau.

Paolo, IK2QPR, will also visit Nosy Be Island January 17th through 25th as 5R8PR "holidaystyle" on 40 through 10 m on CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via home call, direct, via bureau or by LoTW.

Pacifik: Hermann/DL2NUD and Stefan/DL9GRE will be QRV January 16th through 26th as FK/DL2NUD and FK/DL9GRE from New Caledonia (OC-032, aka Grande Terre). Stefan will be on the HF bands, Hermann will look for 2 m, 70 and 23 cm (EME). They will continue in Vanuatu, January 27th through February 2nd, requested calls YJ8HP and YJ8GR. QSLs via home calls, ok via bureau.

Southeastern Asia trip: Hans, DF5UG, will be active from South Eastern Asia again foir 1 month, starting January 15th using his calls 9M2QQ, 9M8QQ, and HS0ZFU. Additionally he intends a trip to Brunei as V85QQ.
QSL via DF5UG, also via bureau.
Haiti, special call: Find the "Radio Club d'Haiti" on different QTHs using the special call 4V1 January 10th through 20th commemorating people killed by the earth quake of January 12th, 2010 mainly near 14.300 MHz.

QSL via N3OS.

Lithuania, special call: January 13th, 1991 the Sowiet Army tried to occopy
independent Lithuania. All radio traffic was disturbed, radio amateurs
told the world about the invasion. In rememberance to this historical
night these special stations will be active from January 12th, 2200 UTC,
through January 27th, 2200 UTC:
LY13A OP LY5A LY13B OP LY3BY
LY13E LY3NX LY13G LY1G
LY13H LY2H LY13J LY3J
LY13M LY3M LY13O LY8O
LY13Q LY4Q LY13T LY2QT
LY13V LY3V LY13W LY3W
LY13X LY3X LY13Z LY2GV
Find more informations at www.lrmd.lt/index_en.htm .

LINKS:
Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de
Correction to DXNL 1706: The correct link for online QSL request of
OH0/DL6UAA is: www.dl6uaa.de/oh0 .

Tom, K8CX, did collect DX Sound Bites in 2010 again. Look for them at
http://hamgallery.com/dx2010 and also for "Rare DX Sound Clips"
from the last years, and from the 60th and 70th, a museum collection of
QSL cards and other information.

UPCOMING CONTESTS
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15. January: LZ Open Contest (www.lzopen.com);
15./16 January: HA DX Contest;
15./16. January: U.K. DX RTTY Contest.

IOTA collected by Fredy,DE0MST (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AN-010, Various, South Shetland Islands: Find Diego/LU8DIP now through
about middle of March as LU8DIP/Z and LU1ZS on Base Teniente Camara
Half Moon Island. QSL via LU4DXU.

AS-013, 8Q, Maldive Islands: Andrew/G7COD is active again through January
16th as 8Q7AK on Hudhuran Fushi Island (North Male Atoll) on 80-10 m
using CW and SSB. QSL via home call (d/B). More information at
http://8q7ak.freewebspace.com .

NA-062, W4, FL State (Florida Keys) Group: Wade/AA8LL and Roger/K0RMK are
AA8LL/4 and K0RMK/4 on Key Largo January 10th through 17th. QSL via
home calls (d/B/LoTW/eQSL).

OC-005, VK9, Norfolk Island: Alan/VK3XPD, Kevin/VK4UH and Mike/VK3KH are active from Norfolk as VK9NA until January 20th. QSL via VK3KH (d/B).

OC-244, DU1-4, Luzon's Coastal Islands: Christian/EA3NT and Bjoern/SM0MDG are planning an activity as DU1/home call on Tablas Island. QSL for DU1/EA3NT and DU1/SM0MDG via EA3NT (d/B).

Lighthouse activities (WLOTA/ARLHS/ILLW)

CE9/VE3LYC LH 1509 Gonzalo Is. middle January
DU1/EA3NT LH 0881 Tablas Is. 17.-21.01.
DU1/SM0MDG LH 0881 Tablas Is. 17.-21.01.
FK/DL2NUD LH 1280 New Caledonia (Mayn) 16.-26.01.
FK/DL9GRE LH 1280 New Caledonia (Mayn) 16.-26.01.
H44MS LH 0086 Guadalkanal 13.1.-12.4.
P40CG LH 0033 Aruba 10.-24.01.
VK9NA LH 1469 Norfolk through 20.01.
5R8HL LH 2455 Madagascar 17.1.-04.2.
5R8HL LH 3042 Nosy Be 17.1.-04.2.
8Q7AK LH 3911 Male Atoll through 16.01.
9H3JS LH 1113 Malta 18.-30.01.

Bandspots of the last 7 days
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160 m
DU1IST 1.815 2202Z via JA1HGY (B)
HR2DMR 1.826 0537Z (d)
JD1BMH(Ogas.) 1.824 2119Z (B) or JG7PSJ (d)
KD4POJ 1.823 0556Z (B), North Dakota
7Z1SJ 1.835 2100Z via HZ7C (B) or EA7FTR

30 m
A92GE 10.103 1508Z via (B), (L), eQSL

17 m
CE9/PA3EXX 18.074 2056Z via PA3EXX (B)
EA9IB 18.150 1104Z (d)
XE1/DJ1JB 18.150 1633Z via DJ1JB (B)
XE1/DJ4EL 18.150 1524Z via DJ4EL (B)

15 m
TJ3AY 21.190 1343Z via F5LGE (B)
3B8/F6HMJ 21.011 1232Z via F6HMJ (B)
4L5O 21.010 1229Z via N3SL (B)

12 m
4K9W 24.895 1047Z via DL6KVA (B)

10 m
R7MR 28.512 1132Z
RU9WR 28.465 1117Z
UN7AM 28.010 1128Z (B)
ZS4LD 28.475 1308Z

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(L) = LoTW

Did you miss DX0DX (Spratly) with the bandspots? Be patient. On Monday
the team still was in Palawan waiting to continue the journey.
Compare the information at www.dx0dx.net .

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

05Jan-01Feb 3B8/F6HMJ 1709
11Jan-20Jan 3B9/F6HMJ 1709
- middle Mar 3D2HC 1710 *
- Dec 3Y8XSA 1700
- 13Mar 4S7KKG 1706
- 20Jan 4V1 1710 *
- 25Oct 5B50J 1700
17Jan-04Feb 5R8HL 1710 *
17Jan-25Jan 5R8PR 1710 *
- April 2012 5Z4RH ? 1674
08Jan-21Jan 6W7SK 1709
- Jan 7Q7HB 1700
- 16Jan 8Q7AK 1710 *
- Sep 9J2KK 1682
- Apr 9M2MRS 1697
- middle Feb 9M2QQ.. 1710 *
now 9M6/KM9D 1699
soon 9Q1EK 1669
- Nov 9Q6CC 1699
12Jan-09Feb A6/VE6LB 1710 *
- Aug A92IO 1663
10Jan-17Jan AA8LL/4.. 1710 *
- 31Dec BP100 1684
- 31Dec BV100 1684
07Jan-22Jan CE9/VE3LYC.. 1709
- 20Jan CE*/F6DXE 1710 *
- May D2AK 1675
- 17.Mar D2AM 1710 *
- 22Apr D2QR 1675
- late Feb D2SG 1692
- 31Aug DL20Y2DM 1700
- 31Jan DT8A 1652
- 24Jan DU/F2JD 1680/1706
17Jan-21Jan DU1/SM0MDG.. 1710 *
- Jan DU1/JJ5GMJ 1695
10Jan-01Feb DX0DX 1709
26Nov-23Feb EA8/ON5JV.. 1703

16Jan-26Jan FK/DL2NUD.. 1710 *
- Aug FO8RZ 1636

- Jul 2012 FR8NE 1710 *
06Jan-16Jan H44DA 1709
13Jan-12Apr H44MS 1710 *
01Jan-31Dec HG200LST 1708
10Jan-07Mar HK3JCL 1709
01Jan-31Dec IA7MM 1708
01Jan-31Dec II1ITA.. 1708
01Jan-31Mar IO7DAI 1708
- 2011/2012? J28JV 1680
- Jul 2012 J28RO 1683
- Jun 2013 KH2/N2NL 1680
postponed 2011 KH5 1674/1705
now LU1ZA (S. O.) 1695
- Jan 2011 LU/LA6IKA.. 1700
12Jan-20Jan LY13.. 1710 *
- middle Mar OA/OE3NHW 1701
28Dec-28Jan OA4/PA3GFE 1707
Dec/Jan OJ1ABOA 1704
10Nov-24Feb OR4TN 1700
10Jan-24Jan P40CG 1709
01Jan-31Dec PA30.. 1708
interupted PJ4/PE1MAE 1700/1710 *
Jan PS150PLM 1708
- late Dec RI1ANC 1708
Oct2010-May2011 T6JC & T6TL 1695
14Jan-18Jan T88TF 1710 *
16Dec-13Jan TG9/DL5RMH 1706
Jan V31DI 1710 *
10Jan-26Jan V31ME & V31ML 1709
- late Feb V31YN & V31GW 1710 *
07Jan-21Jan VK9NA 1709
14Jan-20Jan VK9XA.. 1710 *
Nov-Mar 2012 VK0KEV, Macqu. 1700/1701
- 24Jan VQ9LA 1707
27Jan-02Feb YJ8GR & YJ8HP 1710 *
- Sep ZD9GI 1691
01Jan-31Mar ZL50VK 1708
- April ZS8M 1674/1687

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

D2AM via OM5AM (B)
DU1/K3LP via K3LP
DR1050EB via DL2VM (B)
EA5/NP3D via W3HNK (d)
EA6/OE6MBG via NR1R (B)
EA6/S56CW/p via S56CW (B)
EA8/DH2MS via DH2MS (B)

EM50IYG via UT2IY
EN1QFF via US3QQ (B)
HB60LU via HB9LU (B), (L), eQSL
HG2010P via HA-bureau
HG30LP via HA0LP
HI9/IZ4AFW via IZ4AFW (B), (L), eQSL
HZ1FS via EA7FTR
IH9N via OK1FUA
II0ITA via IQ0RM (B), (L), eQSL
II1ITA via IW1FGZ (B), (L)
II1TLA via I1YRL (B)
II9RASM via IT9TFX (B)
KU2F/KH0 via JE1SCF (B)
UN9GD via DL8KAC (d)
V85TX via W3HNK (d)
VK5CP/VK9L via VK5CP (B)
VK0KEV via JE1LET (d)
W6KNH/KH0 via JQ1KNH (B)
YP0A NO QSL
ZL3FRI via JA3FRI (B)
ZL50GH via ZL1ANH (B), (L)
ZL50VK via ZL1VK
3Z5WOSP via SP5PMD
4B2HQI via XE2HQI (B)
5N5K via LZ1CL (B)
5T0JL via ON8RA (B)
8Q7AK via G7COD (B)
9K2UU (d)

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(*) = new QSL manager
(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)

QSL arrived direct: BY6IC, FJ/SM5FUG, JT0YW, PJ2/OH1VR, PJ4B (via PA8A),
PJ4D (W3HNK), PJ5/AH6HY, PJ6/K4LMY, V48M (W2OX),
8P5A (NN1N), 9Q50ON (ON4BR);
from UA4WHX: C91VB/4, C91VB/6, D20VB, Z2/UA4WHX,
5H3VMB/5, 9U0VB, and 9X0VB.

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DL2GAC, DL2HX, DL3IE,DL6UAA, DL7VOA,F6AJA & LesNouvelles DX, LZ1GL,
NG3K, PA2NJC, and others.

The German PDF version can be found on the DARC homepage at:
http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxmb/2011

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35. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #993.1

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-11 23:37:34 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <947238.5164.qm@smtp105.sbc.mail.gq1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 5075
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.993.1
Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin No. 993.1
The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Special Bulletin No. 993.1
BID: $OPDX.993.1
January 11, 2011
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX
Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet
Clusters Network and VK3FY for the following DX information.
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DX0, SPRATLY ISLANDS (DX0DX POSTPONEMENT). A press release posted on the DX0DX Web page (dated Jan. 12, 2011 • 0506 GMT) states the following:
"To the DX Community at large - It's with regret that as Team Leader, I have to announce the postponement of the DX0DX Spratly Islands DXpedition 2011, due to circumstances beyond the control of the DX0DX Team.
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All equipment will need to be exported out of Philippines to comply with current Philippine Customs Law in which it was brought into the country.
The plan is to be re-assessed so the current operators have the first opportunity to be on this future trip.

Once more information is at hand, I will advise the DX Community.

Regards
Chris de VK3FY (Team Leader DX0DX)"

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new
FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the
following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced
mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send
mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE
OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�lp>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�bscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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Excerpts and distribution of The OPDX Bulletin are granted as long as
KB8NW/OPDX/BARF80 receive credit. To contribute DX info, please send
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President of the "Northern Ohio DX Association" (NODXA)
DX Chairman for the "Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society
ARRL Assistant Director of the Great Lakes Division
Sysop of the "Basic Amateur Radio Frequency BBS" (BARF80.ORG)

36. `****HOT SEXY PHOTOS&VIDEOS****

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-12 17:35:42 UTC
From: SAMARA <jaidatta9247@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <b214a35a-61b6-4193-97fc-6c5eb34f7112@i18g2000yqn.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 5076

SAMEERAREDDY HOT BOOBS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/sameerareddy.html
HOT SEXY ACTRESS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/hot.html
latest hot sruthi hassan stills
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/shurthihassan-new-stills.html
UNSEEN HOT SEXY PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/never.html
SAMANTHA HOT SEXY PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/samantha.html
SEXY DIYA MIRZA
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/diya-mirza.html
HOT AISHWARIYA RAI
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/aish.html
priyamani hot&sexy photos
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/priyamani.html
KATRINA SEXY PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/katrina.html
ANUSHKA HOT PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/anuska.html
BEAUTIFUL AISHWARIYA RAI
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/aiesh.html
TRISHA HOT PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/11/trisha-hot.html
AMISHAPATEL HOT VIDEOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/amisha
HANSIKHA HOT SEXY PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/HANSIKA
HOT SEXY COLLEGE GIRLS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/hot
BEAUTIFUL LARADATTA
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/laradatta
NIKISHA HOT BOOBS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/nikisha
PRIYANKA SPICY LATEST PICS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/priyanka
ONLY FOR YOUTH
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/spicy
SRILEKHA UNSEENED PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/Srilekha
CHOPRA UNBELIVABLE PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/chopra
HOT BIPASA BASU PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/bipasa

TRISHA IN A SEXY FEEL
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/thrisha
SRISHA HOT BOOBS SHOW
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/srisha
BEAUTIFUL POONAM PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/poonam

37. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-13 00:36:48 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <b1ac6181-0303-4111-a596-919b634c5b8d@e20g2000vbn.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 5077

On Jan 12, 12:35 pm, SAMARA <jaidatta9...@gmail.com> wrote:
> SAMEERAREDDY HOT
BOOBShttp://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/sameerareddy.html
> HOT SEXY ACTRESS

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38. MMMonVHF Newsletter 2011-01-13

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-13 17:02:53 UTC
From: MMMonVHF News Mailer <nl@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <201101131657.p0DGv6r8023975@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 5078
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our lastet NEWSLETTER of the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2011-01-13
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter one or two times per week.
For further detail please be so kind and refer at our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - welcome and enjoy ...

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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** MMMonVHF Trophy: "Best VHF DX Expedition" of the Year 2010 **

As in the past years, as well the VHF DX Portal MMMonVHF start
to find the "Best VHF DX Expedition of the Year 2010".
The best expedition on 144 MHZ in the sector MS and/or EME will
be voted in the first 3 weeks of january 2011 as past years: Voting
is open from 01.01.2011 00:00UTC till 20.01.2011 23:59UTC
Link to the: http: Voting Page: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/dxvote.php
PS: The VOTING will of course only include Expeditions which was
spread out on the 2010 LATEST NEWS at Make More Miles on VHF!
If you interesting to see the results of past year:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/trophy2009.php
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/trophy2008.php
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/trophy2007.php
SOURCE: Jani, HA5CRX on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

** Solar Cycle Prediction (Updated 2011/01/03) **

NASA has released a new forcast for solar cycle 24 on Jan 3rd.
This prediction for the next sunspot cycle maximum gives a
smoothed sunspot number maximum of only about 59 in June/July
of 2013. This means that cycle 24 will be sunspot wise only half
as strong as the previous one. All in detail have a look at:
http://solarscience.msfc.nasa.gov/predict.shtml 73 + HNY Joe
SOURCE: DL8HCZ/CT1HZE via The UK Six Metre Group Announcement

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Summer VHF-UHF Field Day reminder

A reminder: the Summer VHF-UHF Field Day will be held next weekend
Janary 15/16. The due date for logs will be Monday, January 31. A
copy of the rules is available on the contest web page by clicking
here. As well as the normal certificates, operators on 1296 MHz
and higher bands are also eligible for an extra ï¿½Microwave
Challengeï¿½ certificate. These certificates will include details
of the rank order of stations on 1296 MHz and higher bands, plus
recognition for DX contacts on the microwave bands. If you wish to
enter for the ï¿½Microwave Challengeï¿½, please download the special
scoring sheet from the contest web page. It includes the normal
scoring sheet plus an extra page for entrants to record the
greatest distances worked on each microwave band. Distances worked
can be calculated using software that is available for download on
the contest web page. Activity will no doubt be affected by the
terrible floods. To all those affected by this disaster, I can
only say - stay safe. SOURCE: John VK3KM via [VK-VHF]

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: FG ; Square: FK96 ; Start: 2010-12-29 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3447

Guadeloupe Island (French Antillas, FK96HF) qrv on 144 MHz EME
since 2010 dec. 29th - LATEST NEWS, from Phil, dated 2011-01-13:
last activity this night! I will be qrv since 2200UTC till moonset
You are able to find all infos (and as well LOG) at Phils Blog:
http://fgdxpeditionf1duz.monsite-orange.fr/index.html
SOURCE: tnx to Phil, F1DUZ direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: DX0 ; Square: OK71 ; Start: 2011-01-06 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3266

DX0DX DXpedition to Spratly Islands in January 2011 posponed
LATEST DX0, SPRATLY ISLANDS Update 2011-01-11: To the DX Community
at large - Its with regret that as Team Leader, I have to announce
the postponement of the DXï¿½DX Spratly Islands DXpedition 2011, due
to circumstances beyond the control of the DXï¿½DX Team. Read all in
detail from the Team: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3266
SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin

** DXCC: VK9N ; Square: RG30 ; Start: 2011-01-09 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3555

Norfolk Island (RG30XX) DX Expedition, qrv since january, 09th
LATEST info from Andrew, VK1DA, dated 2011-01-13: A summary of
the day's activities has been updated at their blog day by day:

http://vk9na.com/progressblog.html - as well we listed a lot of
Infos from Guy, VK2KU in QSP from the Team
SOURCE: tnx to Guy, VK2KU and others, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: FK8/YJ ; Square: RG37/RH42 ; Start: 2011-01-16 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3638
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3639

Hermann, DL2NUD, will be on EME-Tour again in begin of the year
2011. That time he is acompanied by Stefan,DL9GRE, who will be
qrv on HF. 1st goal these time will be FK8 (New Caledonia),
Grid RG37 - later he will change QTH to YJ (Vanuatu), Grid RH42
LATEST NEWS from Hermann, DL2NUD, dated 2011-01-10: Time is going
quick and all preparation going very well. BEKO did send a new
300W PA for my 23cm activity! A NOTE ABOUT my EME WINDOW FROM YJ:
Would like to announce that during the very short EU-EME-window in
YJ, ASIA and US please use to standby - I will NOT work ASIA/US
during the short EU Window! The ASIA and specially US stations
have very long windows that trip and I try my best to work all
of you... SOURCE: Hermann, DL2NUD, direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
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** EA8/DM8MM qrv from IL18bl on 50 MHz for TEP **

I am in the south of La Palma Island with a very good takeoff to
South America. Although it is a bit too early for TEP during
equinox, I will try SA with 100 W and 5 el. Yagi
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3658
SOURCE: tnx to Friedhelm, DM8MM, direct to MMMonVHF

** Island Activity around Papua New Guinea during April **

Hans SM6CVX, Derek G3KHZ, Luis CT1AGF, Mike G3JKX, Martyn G3UKV
and Stig (none ham) will be active from several island groups of
Papua New Guinea during the month of April 2011. Plans are to be
QRV on 160-6m CW, SSB and RTTY, using 4 active stations at all the
times. Schedule: Feni Island (IOTA OC-101, Grid Loc. QI65),
Bismarck Archipelago, on 2-7th April, using the callsign P29VCX.
Nuguria Island (IOTA OC-257, Grid Loc. QI76), Bougainville
district, on 8-14th April,using the callsign P29NI. Green Island
(IOTA OC-231, Grid Loc. QI75), North Solomons, Papua New Guinea,
on 15-18th April, using the P29VLR. Following this expedition
Hans, SM6CVX, (and Stig) will activate Misima Island (IOTA OC-117,
Grid Loc. QH69), Louisiade Archipelago, on 22-25th April; and

Loloata Island (IOTA OC-240, Grid Loc. QI30) on 25-27th April,
using the callsign P29VCX. QSL P29VCX and P29VLR via SM6CVX,
QSL P29NI via G3KHZ. Further info can be found on their website
at: p29ni.weebly.com/ SOURCE: Islandchaser.com via GOTO List

** Craig K2LZQ is going to Chile begin 2011 and qrv 50 MHz **

LATEST NEWS from Lance, W7GJ, dated 2011-01-10:
We are all set for the next Chile trip. We arrive in CE7 (FE44BG)
on January 23 and should be operational that evening if everything
arrives in one piece. When not fishing we will operate on 50.200
first. We have no internet but I will have my satellite phone.
We will be using an IC7000, M2 KW and an 8 element LFA antenna
with elevation. Will keep you advised , Craig K2LZQ
SOURCE: Craig, K2LZQ via Lance, W7GJ, direct to MMMonVHF

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SOURCE: Chris, VK3FY Team Leader DXï¿½DX via [mediterraneodxclub]

** T70, SAN MARION (Party/Special Event) **

For its first year, "DxCoffee.com" is organizing a full weekend
of radio and friendship in the San Marino Republic between
February 11-13th. You can visit an amazing country, meet other
Hams from around the world and operate the special event station
T70DXC. The special event station will be on the air between
February 1-13th. Activity will be on the HF bands and 6 meters.
QSL Manager for T70DXC is Pasquale La Gamba, IZ8IYX. QSL is
available by the Bureau, LoTW or direct at: Pasquale La Gamba,
Via Affaccio 68, Vibo Valentia 89900, Italy. For the complete
details on "DxCoffee's 1st Birthday Party" and operating from
T70DXC, visit: http://www.dxcoffee.com/happybirthday
SOURCE: [GOLIST] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #993

** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next thursday 2359 UTC ...

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The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF - Newsletter Credits & Info
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Our Newsletter is compiled from the input of the USER of the
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HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats
like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USER who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/kontact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY & PA4EME

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39. The ARRL Letter for January 13, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-13 22:48:37 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20110113222043.74E4A23E32@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 5079
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==> + ARRL IN ACTION: NEW AMATEUR RADIO BILL INTRODUCED IN CONGRESS

The Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Enhancement Act, which
died at the end of the 111th Congress, has been reintroduced in the
112th Congress as HR 81
<http://www.thomas.gov/cgi-bin/query/D?c112:2:./temp/%7Ec1129bpLP1::>.
The sponsor is Representative Sheila Jackson Lee (D-TX-18). The new
bill -- which was introduced on January 5 -- has been referred to the
House Committee on Energy and Commerce. "We are hopeful that this early
start will lead to success in the new Congress," commented ARRL Chief
Executive Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ.
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Rep Jackson Lee first introduced the bill -- HR 2160
<http://www.arrl.org/hr2160> -- in the 111th Congress in April 2009
<http://www.arrl.org/news/houston-representative-introduces-amateur-radio-bil
l-in-congress>.
It gained an additional 41 cosponsors but did not progress out of the
committee of jurisdiction. A similar bill introduced in the Senate -- S
1755
<http://www.arrl.org/news/senate-introduces-companion-bill-to-hr-2160>
-- made it all the way through that body in December 2009, but likewise
was not taken up by the House. The objective of the bill -- which is
supported by the ARRL -- is for the Secretary of Homeland Security to
study the uses and capabilities of Amateur Radio communications in
emergencies and disaster relief and to identify and make
recommendations regarding impediments to Amateur Radio communications,
such as the effects of private land use regulations on residential
antenna installations.

==> + FCC NEWS: FCC SENDS LICENSE RENEWAL FOR K1MAN TO ADMINISTRATIVE
LAW JUDGE

The FCC has issued a Hearing Designation Order
<http://www.fcc.gov/Daily_Releases/Daily_Business/2011/db0112/DA-11-58A1.pdf>
to determine, among other things, if the Amateur Radio license of Glenn
A. Baxter, K1MAN, of Belgrade Lakes, Maine, should be renewed.
According to the Order, "Baxter has apparently willfully and repeatedly
engaged in unlawful Commission-related activities, including causing
interference to ongoing communications of other amateur stations,
transmitting communications in which he had a pecuniary interest,
failing to file requested information pursuant to an Enforcement Bureau
(Bureau) directive, engaging in broadcasting without communicating with
any particular station and failing to exercise control of his station."

Baxter, whose amateur license expired in 2005, filed a timely renewal
on July 22, 2005; his license expired on October 17. Because of the
timely renewal, Baxter's license remained in effect past the expiration
date. The FCC said it "believe[s] that Baxter's apparent continuing
course of misconduct raises a substantial and material question of fact
as to whether he possesses the requisite character qualifications to be
and remain a Commission licensee."

==> + PUBLIC SERVICE: MIDWESTERN HAMS SPOT, TRACK TORNADOS AS 2011
BEGINS

In the final hours of 2010, tornados swept across Missouri, Illinois
and Arkansas, leaving at least seven people dead. Hams in Missouri --
one of the hardest hit areas -- activated nets and provided real-time
weather observations to the National Weather Service. According to a
timeline of events in the St Louis Post-Dispatch, hams in the towns of
Pacific, Ballwin and Sunset Hills in Missouri, as well as a ham in
O'Fallon, Illinois, were among the many who spotted and reported
twisters and severe weather to their local NWS offices.

Steve Runnels, KD4OPZ -- the Warning Coordination Meteorologist at the NWS office in Springfield, Missouri -- said that he was impressed by "the amount of Amateur Radio support we received during the overnight and into the early morning hours. This proves that the Amateur Radio community is always ready. It also shows the strength of their commitment to the communities they live in and the National Weather Service's mission to protect life and property." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/midwestern-hams-spot-track-tornados-as-2011-begins> .

==> + ON THE AIR: AIM HIGH IN THE ARRL JANUARY VHF SWEEPSTAKES

VHF operators will be on the bands in force the weekend of January 22-24 as the ARRL January VHF Sweepstakes hits the airwaves. This contest gives the VHFer in all of us a chance to do some contesting during the winter months. According to ARRL Contest Branch Manager Sean Kutzko, KX9X, January may not seem like the ideal time to hold a VHF+ contest, but sometimes he said, the propagation gods like to surprise and confound. "There have been plenty of QSOs made via sporadic-E in the colder months this winter, including a surprise opening from the Midwest and Western US to Australia and New Zealand just this week! QSOs on other forms of enhancement exist as well, thanks to tropospheric ducting and auroral propagation. Because of the advent of WSJT software, making QSOs via meteor scatter in the wee hours of the morning on 6 and 2 meters has never been easier. There are plenty of opportunities to make long-haul QSOs on the VHF+ bands in January." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/aim-high-in-the-arrl-january-vhf-sweepstakes>.

==> ON-THE AIR: ARRL OUTGOING QSL SERVICE ANNOUNCES NEW RATE STRUCTURE

Effective January 17, 2011, a new pricing structure will go into effect for the ARRL Outgoing QSL Service. With the new rate structure, amateurs will no longer need to count outgoing cards and then guess as to what to pay based upon a half-pound rate; a simple weighing of the cards is all that is necessary to determine what amount to send to the Bureau. This new structure also accommodates a small rate increase in response to recent postage, shipping and handling costs. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-outgoing-qsl-service-announces-new-rate-structure>.

==> + AMATEUR RADIO IN THE CLASSROOM: ARRL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE APPROVES GRANTS FOR FIVE SCHOOLS

In December 2010, the ARRL Executive Committee reviewed grant applications for the ARRL's Education & Technology Program (ETP), awarding equipment valued at nearly $5000 to five schools. More than 525 schools across the country have received support from the ETP in the form of grants for equipment, curriculum and resources, as well as teacher in-service training through the Teachers Institute on Wireless Technology. Applications for equipment and resource grants are accepted twice each year; application deadlines are May 1 and November 1. Applications for 2011 summer sessions of the Teachers Institute are

currently being accepted. Read more here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-executive-committee-approves-grant-funding-for
-five-schools>.

==> + ARRL BOARD OF DIRECTORS TO MEET NEXT WEEK

The ARRL Board of Directors will hold its 2011 Annual Meeting on
January 21-22 in Windsor, Connecticut. Directors, Vice Directors and
ARRL Board Officers will be in attendance, including two new Vice
Directors who will be at their first Board meeting: Southeastern
Division Vice Director Andrea Hartlage, KG4IUM, and West Gulf Division
Vice Director John Robert Stratton, N5AUS. The Board will also welcome
IARU Secretary Rod Stafford, W6ROD, and Radio Amateurs of Canada
President Geoff Bawden, VE4BAW. The meeting will be preceded on
Thursday, January 20 with meetings of the Board's Administration and
Finance Committee and the Programs and Services Committee. At its
January 2010 meeting, the ARRL Board of Directors decided to make the
agendas of Board and Executive Committee meetings available on the ARRL
website. The agenda for the 2011 Annual Meeting is available here
<http://www.arrl.org/attachments/view/News/56557>. Per the Articles of
Association <http://www.arrl.org/arrl-articles-of-association> the ARRL
Board of Directors meets twice a year, in January and July.

==> + ARRL FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS AND TRANSCRIPTS DUE
FEBRUARY 1

Students planning to apply for the more than 60 scholarships
administered by the ARRL Foundation should be aware that the deadline
is fast approaching. All materials -- including transcripts -- are due
February 1. Beginning this year, applicants must submit all material
electronically. No paper forms will be accepted. Read more here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-foundation-scholarship-applications-and-transc
ripts-due-february-1>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "I'm melting in the Sun
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8t7QQ_DrIpA>" Cook, K7RA, reports: The
average daily sunspot numbers declined 12 points to 38 during the week
of January 6-12. The average daily solar flux declined by nearly 6
points to 83.8. The latest forecast shows solar flux at 80 on January
13-15, 78 on January 16-19 and back to 80 on January 20-35, then rising
to nearly 90 by the end of the month. The same forecast has planetary A
index for January 13-22 at 5, 8, 7, 5, 5, 5, 5, 7, 7 and 5. Geophysical
Institute Prague sees unsettled geomagnetic conditions on January
14-15, quiet to unsettled January 16, unsettled January 17-18, quiet to
unsettled January 19 and quiet on January 20. The STEREO mission's
coverage of the entire Sun <http://stereo.gsfc.nasa.gov/> is nearly
complete, with continuous images showing more than 99.2 percent of our
nearest star. By Sunday evening in North America, the project will have
passed 99.34 percent coverage. The black band of unseen area is now
just a tiny sliver, and magnetically active areas over the entire Sun

may now be observed live from any place with an Internet connection at any time of the day or night. Look for more information on the ARRL website on Friday, January 14. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by INXS <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Inxs>' Melting in the Sun <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8t7QQ_DrIpA>.

==> + AMATEUR RADIO FUN: BE A STAR! ENTER THE ARRL VIDEO CONTEST

If you've ever wanted a way to show the world how exciting Amateur Radio can be, here's your chance: The ARRL is sponsoring its first-ever video contest <http://www.arrl.org/video-contest>! We are looking for ARRL members to shoot and submit videos that showcase how fun and electrifying our hobby is; extra points will be awarded for a video showing someone, young or old, licensed or not, making their first contact. Videos will be judged on overall quality and composition, and prizes will be awarded. The video author/producer must be an ARRL member; however, the people who appear in your video can be non-members. This contest is intended for amateur videographers. If you are a professional, please do not apply. Check out all the details -- including the fine print -- on the ARRL Video Contest Rules and Guidelines web page <http://www.arrl.org/video-contest>.

==> AMATEUR RADIO FUN: NEW QUICKSTATS POLL NOW AVAILABLE ON ARRL WEBSITE

Four new poll questions have just been published on the QuickStats page <http://www.arrl.org/quickstats> on the ARRL website. Let your voice be heard!

Questions in this month's QuickStats poll include:

- Do you use a computer to send or receive CW?
- Do you subscribe to any publications that you read online?
- Do you have a separate room in your home that's dedicated strictly to your ham station?
- When operating SSB, do you use a speech processor?

Visit the QuickStats page <http://www.arrl.org/quickstats> and be sure to bookmark it in your browser. Results from this QuickStats poll will be published in the April 2011 issue of QST on the QuickStats page, located in the rear advertising section of the magazine. Along with monthly poll results, QST QuickStats offers colorful charts and graphs that highlight interesting Amateur Radio statistics.

==> SILENT KEY: FORMER WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS SECTION MANAGER BILL VOEDISCH, W1UD (SK)

William Voedisch, W1UD, of Leominster, Massachusetts, became a Silent Key on January 1. He was 78. Voedisch was an avid CW operator who especially enjoyed operating in the CW National Traffic System nets. In recent years, he was the Manager of the NTS First Region CW net and

almost nightly represented the First Region in the Eastern Area Net. He
was also active in the Transcontinental Corps, relaying messages to
other regional nets around the country. Read more here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/former-western-massachusetts-section-manager-bill-v
oedisch-w1ud-sk>.

==> THIS WEEK ON THE RADIO

This week:

- January 14 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- January 15 -- LZ Open Contest, Feld Hell Sprint
- January 15-16 -- North American QSO Party (SSB), Hungarian DX
Contest, UK DX Contest (RTTY)
- January 17 -- Run for the Bacon QRP Contest
- January 20 -- NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint

Next week:

- January 21 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- January 22-23 -- BARTG RTTY Sprint
- January 22-24 -- ARRL January VHF Sweepstakes
<http://www.arrl.org/january-vhf-sweepstakes>
- January 26 -- SKCC Sprint
- January 27 -- NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest
Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update
<http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest
Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more
info. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the
ARRL Special Event Stations Web page
<http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- January 15, 2011 -- ARRL Southern Florida Section Convention
<http://fmarc.net/hamfest_2011.htm>, Fort Myers, Florida
- January 28-29, 2011 -- ARRL Mississippi State Convention
<http://www.msham.org/hamfest.php>, Jackson, Mississippi

To find a convention or hamfest near you, click here
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests>.

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40. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2011-001E : Doug Mein VA3DM appointed Special Advisor to the RAC Field Organization

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RAC Bulletin 2011-001E : Doug Mein VA3DM appointed Special Advisor to the RAC Field Organization
2011-01-13

I am very pleased to announce the appointment of Doug Mein VA3DM, Special Advisor to the Radio Amateurs of Canada Field Organization. Doug has been a Ham for many years and holds basic, morse and advanced qualification.

Doug has an extensive background and is retired from Transport Canada after 33 years of service. During the Sept 11 terrorist attacks on the United States, Doug was Director of Transport Canada's Air Navigation Services and Airspace Branch in Ottawa, playing a key role in coordinating department operations and taking decisive action on behalf of the Canadian Government. In addition, Doug was the chief architect behind the creation of NAV Canada. Doug resides in Alliston, Ontario.

Doug';s focus will be with strategic matters that effect the Radio Amateurs of Canada Field Organization nationally.

I know that you will all join me in welcoming Doug.

73

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41. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1744 - January 14 2011

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Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1744 - January 14 2011

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1744 with a release date of
Friday, January 14, 2011 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. The Amateur Radio Emergency Communications
Enhancement Act gets another chance in Congress, the long awaited
Spratley Island DX0DX is put on indefinite hold, repeaters in Italy are
accused of interfering with ham radio space operations and the story of
a 10 year old who discovers a supernova exploding star in a galaxy far,
far away. Find out the details on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report
number 1744 coming your way right now.

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RADIO POLITICS: AMATEUR RADIO EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS ENHANCEMENT ACT
REINTRODUCED BEFORE CONGRESS

New life for a ham radio emergency communications measure. This as the
Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Enhancement Act is re-introduced
before Congress. Norm Seeley, KI7UP, reports:

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at the end of the 111th Congress, has been reintroduced in the 112th
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that body in December 2009, but likewise was not taken up by the House.
Now, in 2011, a lot of hams are hoping that this latest version will
make it though both houses of Congress and become the law of the land.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP, In Scottsdale, Arizona.

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The new bill which was introduced by Jackson Lee on January 5th has been referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce. (ARRL)

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DX ADVISORY: DX0DX OPERATION ON INDEFINITE HOLD

Some disappointing news for DX'ers. The long awaited DX0DX operation from the Spratley Islands appears to be on indefinite hold and nobody can say exactly when it will take place.

According to a posting on DX World dot net by Team Leader Chris Dimitrijevic, VK3FY, the decision to abort the attempt at this time was brought about by what he termed as circumstances beyond the control of the DX0DX Team.

VK3FY said that the situation leading to the decision to postpone the operation began when the expedition's transport by ship was damaged back in October of 2010. They then opted to fly in, as there were no ships deemed to be safe to make the voyage to Pag-Asa available.

VK3FY says that they had landing permission and booked an aircraft with security cleared pilots. However, there was conflicting agreements and the aircraft could not get approval of its flight plan. As time was running out for this window of opportunity, and before more operators became stuck in Palawan in the hope of making the last leg of the voyage, the decision was made to postpone the operation.

The authorities overseeing access to the islands has been advised of the postponement. Also, all of the equipment that was to be used for the operation will be exported out of Philippines to comply with current Philippine Customs Law.

VK3FY ends by noting that his team has a license as well as the authority to land via ship. He says that when a ship becomes available, it is his intention to activate this entity sometime in 2011.

More on this story is on line at dx-world.net. We will have more DX news later on in this weeks Amateur Radio Newsline report. (DX-World)
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RESTRUCTURING: RSGB ANALYZING FUTURE OF HAM RADIO IN THE UK SURVEY

It looks like there could be some long nights ahead for officials of the Radio Society of Great Britains leadership. This as it wades through the myriad of responses to its recently concluded survey of UK hams on the future of the service and the society itself. GB2RS News Reader Jeremy Boot, G4NJH is here with the details:

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The RSGB Questionnaire on the status of amateur radio within the United Kingdom closed on 31 December 2010. Over 3,000 responses were completed, well in excess of expectations, so the Society is very grateful for those who gave their time to have a go at the Questionnaire.

It was particularly good to get feedback from several hundred lapsed members as well as a sizeable number of people who had never joined the Society.

The analysis task has now started. Whilst there are some statistics that can be established quickly and easily some of the data, particularly the textual comments will take many hours to gather, categorize and collate.

I'm Jeremy Boot, G4NJH and you are listening to the Amateur Radio Newsline.

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The timetable for the analysis is to complete the analysis by the summer. This, so that the key findings can be used in long term planning by the RSGB. (GB2RS)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: ITALIAN REPEATERS ALLEGED TO BE INTERFERING WITH HAMSATS

According to a report in the Southgate News, both F-M and D-Star repeaters in Italy are showing up in the Amateur Satellite segment 145.8 from 146.0 MHz. These machines are said to be government approved by Italy's Communications Regulatory Authority and are causing considerable interference to amateur radio satellites and the International Space Station contacts

Some of the Italian repeaters identified in the article as operating in the 2 meter Amateur Satellite allocation are said to include F-M machine IRE0CK on 145.85 MHz plus D-Star systems IR3UEF on 145.8 Mhz and IR0CD on 145.975 Mhz.

The Southgate story says that it would appear that Italy's telecommunications regulator permits repeaters anywhere within the 2 meter band on a provisional basis for 60 days. Authorization may become permanent if no complaints are received. The article calls on hams worldwide to make sure that the Italian telecommunications regulatory body is made aware of any problems.

This is not the first time that there have been interlopers into the ham satellite spectrum. Over the years there have been numerous reports of terrestrial business communications using these frequencies and eventually disappearing. Most of these reports came out of third world developing nations. The situation in Italy will be quite different if its proven that the repeaters alleged to be interfering with ham radio space operations have government approval to do so.

The Complete story of this repeater versus ham radio satellite interference is on-line at tinyurl.com/497bag7. The website for Italy's Italy Communications Regulatory Authority in the Italian language is www2 dot agcom dot it. And we will have more ham radio space related news later on in this weeks Amateur radio Newsline report. (Southgate)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC DESIGNATES K1MAN LICENSE RENEWAL FOR HEARING

The FCC has designated the Amateur Service station license of Glenn A. Baxter, K1MAN, for a hearing to determine if it should be renewed. In its January 10th Hearing Designation Order, the Commission stated that the proceeding will be held before a Commission Administrative Law Judge to determine whether a pending application filed by Baxter for renewal of his license for Amateur Radio Station K1MAN should be granted.

The Hearing Designation Order continues with the FCC stating that the record before it indicates that Baxter has apparently willfully and repeatedly engaged in unlawful Commission-related activities. These include causing interference to ongoing communications of other amateur stations, transmitting communications in which he had a pecuniary interest, failing to file requested information pursuant to an FCC Enforcement Bureau directive, engaging in broadcasting without communicating with any particular station, and failing to exercise control of his station.

The Order continues by stating that based on the information before it, the FCC believes that Baxter's apparent continuing course of misconduct raises a substantial and material question of fact as to whether he possesses the requisite character qualifications to be and remain a Commission licensee. Accordingly, it has designated his pending renewal application for a hearing.

Baxter had filed an application to renew the license for station K1MAN on July 22, 2005, but this application had been set aside by the FCC pending further action. His license expired on October 17, 2005, but under Administrative Law he has been permitted to continue to operate his station until the matter of his license renewal has been fully adjudicated.

The Hearing Designation Order was issued on Monday, January 10th and released on Wednesday, January 12th. In it, Baxter was given 20 days in which to respond and state whether or not he will attend a hearing on his license renewal at a time and place to be determined in a subsequent order. Those of you interested can read the entire K1MAN license renewal Hearing Designation Order at tinyurl.com/45vve38 (FCC)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the Cavernaun Amateur Radio Association repeater serving the city of Bordeaux, France.

(5 sec pause here)

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RESCUE RADIO: AUSTRALIA FLOODING CONTINUES

The flooding in Australia continues as does ham radios readiness to assist in relief efforts. We have more in this report:

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Audio report only. Hear it buy downloading the MP3 version of bthis weewks newscast at www.arnewsline.org

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Obviously this emergency is far from over and we will have more in future Amateur Radio Newsline reports. (WIA Q-News)

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COMMUNICATIONS POLITICS: FCC RELEASES FIRST LAB REPORT ON WIRELESS TRENDS

The Federal Communications Commission has released the first in a series of reports by the Office of Engineering & Technology Laboratory which looked at trends in cutting-edge wireless devices.

The report shows that the number of wireless transmitters authorized by the FCC in 2010 was nearly 12,000. This is an increase of almost four times the amount from a decade ago. Its also a 700% increase since 2008 in the number of devices with three or more transmitters. That's up from 7% of total devices in 2008 to more than 50% today.

The report also notes that new devices are becoming more useful and technologically advanced. It found that the number of new increasingly sophisticated devices entering the marketplace with multiple transmitters, enabling access to 4G networks, Bluetooth, Wi-Fi and other types of connections, will continue to present more options for consumers.

The complete text of the report is available at the FCC website. Its in cyberspace as a Word document at tinyurl.com/45d67p4 or directly at http://www.fcc.gov/oet/info/documents/reports/wirelessdevice s.doc (FCC)

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RESCUE RADIO: FLORIDA COMPANY PLANS NEW NETWORK USING TV ATSC THAT INCLUDES EMERGENCY ALERTS

A new way to alert the public to emergencies while entertaining them is being introduced to the airwaves, and it uses the current digital television spectrum. Jim Davis, W2JKD, has the details.

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Ludwig Enterprises Inc., headquartered in Pompano Beach, Florida, is building a network of affiliates for what it's calling a nationwide world radio network with emergency warning ability. The company says it has developed and patented a portable handheld radio that receives signals from the digital television ATSC format and features 50 channels of digital radio programming.

Ludwig says that its main programming will consist of 40 channels of ethnic talk radio such as Filipino, Pakistani, Hebrew, Chinese, Greek and Russian. The remaining 10 channels are English-language channels that include old-time radio shows, news, audio books, educational and religious programs and classical music. It says it is targeting U.S. multicultural, youth and over 55 markets with its content in particular.

But what sets this concept apart from others is it will also be able to provide an emergency alert system as well. According to Ludwig, its radio receives can receive local, regional and national emergency broadcast warnings. Specific national emergency and weather broadcasts can be customized to those localized areas, according to the company.

According to Ludwig Radio, its plan calls for agreements with broadcasters to lease transmit capacity. It says that with minor modifications to the existing transmitter site and no changes in FCC licensing this broadcasting network could allow the company to broadcast non-competing formats over existing broadcast spectrum.

I'm Jim Davis, W2JKD

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More about the new receiver and the company behind it is on line at www.ludwigent.com. (RW)

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COMMUNICATIONS POLITICS: W7EQI VOWS TO OVERTURN NET NEUTRALITY ACTION

Representative Greg Walden, W7EQI, the incoming chair of the House Communications Subcommittee, says that the FCC has overstepped its bounds in regard to Net Neutrality. His opinion came in a Tuesday, December 28th in a conference call with reporters about the FCC's 3-2 party line vote to expand and codify network neutrality guidelines.

According to news reports, Walden was joined by Energy & Commerce Committee Chair Fred Upton, Communications Subcommittee Vice Chairman Lee Terry and committee/subcommittee member Marsha Blackburn in pledging to get all the commissioners to Capitol Hill to explain the move. At the same time it was revealed that the legislators would work

to overturn the controversial FCC decision by any legislative means necessary.

Confirming Upton's promise in an interview with Multichannel News, the three legislators vowed a series of hearings on the process, the legal underpinnings and the policy, the last which they characterized as a job-killing, investment killing, congress-bypassing, regulatory overreach. They also said they would look into at least three ways to block implementation of the order, which would be legislation, defunding the FCC appropriation, or a special congressional resolution that would nullify the rules. (Published news reports)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: DAVID HUNT APPOINTED FCC INSPECTOR GENERAL

Some names in the news. First up is David Hunt was officially named Federal Communications Commission Inspector General on Monday, January 10th. This after holding the position on an interim basis since June of 2009.

Before entering law school, Hunt ran his own computer firm building software and hardware systems for the healthcare industry. He received a B.A. from George Washington University and a J.D. from Georgetown University.

Hunt joined the FCC in 1996 and served as Senior Attorney in the Enforcement Bureau from 1999 through 2006. Hunt then transferred to the Inspector General's office in 2006 as Assistant Inspector General for Investigations. During his tenure in that position, he received the FCC's prestigious Gold Award. (FCC)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: YASME FOUNDATION NAMES EXCELLENCE AWARD WINNERS

The YASME Foundation which has named seven hams from around the globe to be the recipients of its Yasme Excellence Awards. This years list of winners include Ramon Santoyo, XE1KK; Makoto Mori, JE3HHT; Bruce Horn, WA7BNM; Rick Meuthing, KN6KB; Mikael Styrefors, SM2O; Alex Shovkoplyas, VE3NEA and Pepe Ardid, EA5KB.

The Yasme Excellence Awards are presented to individuals who through their own service, creativity, effort and dedication, have made a significant contribution to Amateur Radio. Their contribution may be in recognition of technical, operating or organizational achievement.

The Yasme Excellence Award program is sponsored by the YASME Foundation of Castro Valley California. This is a not-for-profit corporation organized to conduct scientific and educational projects related to Amateur Radio, including DX'ing and the introduction and promotion of Amateur Radio in underdeveloped countries. (Yasme Foundation Release)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: N6R TO CELEBRATE FORMER PRESIDENT REAGAN'S 100th BIRTHDAY

To celebrate what would have been former President Ronald Reagan's 100th Birthday, the Ventura County Amateur Radio Society will activate Special Events Station "N6R" from Thousand Oaks, California. This, from Saturday, February 5th through Monday, February 7th.

According to Peter Heins, N6ZE, who is the clubs Public Information Officer, operation is planned continuously from 0800 through 1800 PST on Sunday, February 06, 2011 and intermittently at other times on Saturday through Monday. Operation will use CW and SSB on 80 through 10 meters for world-wide c contacts as well as FM on both simplex and repeaters for local area contacts.

Requests for schedules may be sent to n6rn6r at aol dot com. QSL with a self addressed stamped envelope to N6ZE at his Callbook or QRZ.com address. Sorry but no electronic QSL's will be accepted for this operation. More is on-line at www dot qrz dot com stroke db stroke n6r.

And for those not aware, the special N6R callsign has been used for many years in a multi-club Field Day operation from the grounds of the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library and Museum which is located in Simi Valley, California. (N6ZE)

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THE SOCIAL SCENE: PALM SPRINGS HAMFEST JANUARY 29

Turning to the ham radio social scene. This years Palm Springs California Hamfest is slated for Saturday, January 29th. Gates open to the public at 9:30 AM and the event runs until 4:30 PM Pacific Standard Time. Admission is only $1. More information including directions to the hamfest venue is on-line at desertrats.am/pshamfest2011.html (Desert RATS Club of Palm Springs)

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THE SOCIAL SCENE: DAYTON TOP BAND DINNER MAY 20

The 22nd annual Dayton TopBand Dinner is slated for Friday night, May 20th in conjunction with the 2011 Dayton Hamvention. The venue will be the Crowne Plaza Hotel on East 5th Street in downtown Dayton. The social hour starts at 6:15 PM with dinner served at 7:30 PM. Tickets will be available starting in February. Keep an eye on www.topbanddinner.com for the latest details. (W8UVZ, K8GG, K3LR)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being

relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: MISSISSIPPI JAILS TO EXPAND INMATE CELLPHONE BLOCKING

Mississippi corrections officials say a new inmate phone-block system has worked so well at the Parchman penitentiary they will expand it to other state prisons.

Corrections Commissioner Christopher Epps told The Clarion-Ledger newspaper that the use of the technology has blocked more than 600,000 unauthorized texts and cell-phone calls originating inside Parchman since August.

Last fall, the state Department of Corrections announced it had signed a contract with its telecommunications provider for a program designed to immobilize illegal cell phones used by inmates at the Parchman prison. Epps said the system stops cell transmissions in defined areas from being completed but does permit specifically authorized and 911 emergency calls.

Since 2007, officials said, more than 8,700 cell phones have been confiscated at Mississippi jails and prisons. Epps said those cell phones have been used to plan escapes or to bring contraband into the prisons. He adds that the system will be installed at Central Mississippi Correctional Facility and the South Mississippi Correctional Institution by May. (Clarion-Ledger)

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: ESPN TO LAUNCH ALL 3D TV NETWORK

ESPN will launch the broadcast industry's first 3-D television network. Called ESPN 3-D, the new network will showcase a minimum of 85 live sporting events during its first year, beginning with the FIFA World Cup match on June 11th that will pit South Africa vs. Mexico. Other events to be produced in 3-D include the Summer X Games, college basketball and college football. Additional events will be announced at a later date.

Sean Bratches is ESPN's executive vice president of sales and marketing. He describes the new venture to be a meaningful step to drive adoption of 3-D television sets and at the same time afford opportunities for its affiliates to create value through new product offerings.

According to its press release, ESPN has been testing its 3-D technology for more than two years. Last fall the network produced the USC vs. Ohio State college football game in 3-D. It was shown in select theaters as well as to 6,000 fans at the Galen Center on USC's

campus. (ESPN, B&C)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: TURKEY TO LAUNCH VOICE HAMSAT IN 2012

Turkey plans to send its first ham radio communications satellite into orbit in September of 2012. This according to a December 28th report published by the semi-official Anatolia news agency.

The report says that the satellite is to be called 3USAT. Also that it is being developed at the Department of Space Engineering of the Istanbul Technical University. The project will be launched by Turkey's satellite communications operator Turksat.

Alim Rustem Aslan heads up the team manufacturing the satellite. He says that it will provide wireless voice transmission over an amateur band between two groups of people at two distant locations, but he did not specify which bands or what modes the new bird will operate on. (W7HTL, Xinhua via COMTEX)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: PROGRAMMER NEEDED FOR SOUTH AFRICAN CUBESAT PROJECT

The planned South African CubeSat project is in need of a volunteer with expertise in the area of programming PIC or 8051 microprocessors. According to Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, this person will be a critical member of the CubeSat team and will be responsible for the development of the onboard controller software. Anyone interested in volunteering for this mission or any other aspect of the satellites development should send a resume by e-mail to saamsat at intekom dot co dot za. (SA AMSAT)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: COMMEMORATING THE FIRST MOONBOUNCE EXPERIMENT

The Nashua Telegraph newspaper reports on the anniversary of the first Moonbounce transmissions that took place on January 10, 1946. That's when the U.S. Army Signal Corps performed an experiment dubbed Project Diana to see if a radio signals could be sent into space and then received back by on Earth bouncing them off the Moon.

The transmissions took place at Camp Evens, Wall Township New Jersey using an antenna that resembled a pair of bed springs. This experiment has been commemorated on a web page sponsored by the Ocean-Monmouth Amateur Radio Club. You can find it in cyberspace at www.omarc.org/diana1.htm. (OMARC, Southgate)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: INTERNATIONAL MARCONI DAY DATE CHANGE FOR 2011

A date change for this years International Marconi Day. As the event would have fallen on Easter weekend the organizers have changed the date to Saturday April 30th for this year only. Look for details on International Marconi Day 2011 to be posted on-line at www.gb4imd.uk in the near future. (Southgate)

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QSL CORNER: ARRL TO INSTITUTE NEW OUTGOING QSL SERVICE RATE STRUCTURE

Effective January 17th, a new pricing arrangement will go into effect for the ARRL Outgoing QSL Service. With the new rate structure, amateurs will no longer need to count outgoing cards and then guess as to what to pay based upon a half-pound rate. Instead a simple weighing of the cards is all that is necessary to determine what amount to send to the Bureau. This new structure also accommodates a small rate increase in response to recent postage, shipping and handling costs. More is on-line at tinyurl.com/4gprmnb (ARRL)

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In DX, SP2FUD will be on the air portable 3B8/SP2FUD from Mauritius Island between February 8th and the 17th. He will then move on and operate portable 3B9 from Rodrigues Island between February 18th through the 22nd. Activity from both places will be on the HF bands using SSB and RTTY. QSL via his home call sign.

DL9HCU is once again in the Pacific and will be active as 3D2HC from Fiji. He likes 20 meters CW so listen out for him on 14 dot 002 or 14 dot 025 MHz between 0500 to 0800 U-T-C. Also, watch oyut for him on 14.183 MHz after 05:00 UTC as he will sometimes check into the ANZA Net. QSL via DL9HCU, either direct or vuia the bureau

UT5EO will be active as 4L0A from Obcha during the CQ 160-Meter CW Contest slated for January 28th to the 30th. This, as a Single-Operator High Power entry. If you work him please QSL electronically via Logbook of the World.

SM6LRR will be active from Sri Lanka between January 22nd and February 5th as 4S7LRG. His operation will be holiday with a focus on 160, 80 and 40 meters. QSL via his home SM6LRR callsign.

Lastly, N3ME and W3UR will be active from Barbados as 8P9ME and 8P9UR, respectively, between January 26th and February 14th. Their operation will be on all HF bands using CW, SSB, PSK and RTTY. QSL via their home callsigns, direct, by the Bureau or electronically using Logbook of the World.

(Above from various DX News sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: 10 YEAR OLD DISCOVERS SUPERNOVA

And finally this week, the story of a 10 year old Canadian girl who is being credited as the youngest person ever to discover supernova. Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, is in the newsroom with her story:

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Kathryn Aurora Gray, of Fredericton, New Brunswick, Canada, made her discovery this past New Year's Eve. This, after noticing what was later determined to be a magnitude 17 supernova, or exploding star.

The supernova took place in the distant galaxy known as UGC 3378 which is about 240 million light years away from Earth. The Royal Astronomical Society of Canada says that at age 10, Kathryn is definitely the youngest person ever to make such a discovery. A finding which has since been verified by amateur astronomers in Illinois and Arizona. It also has been reported to and confirmed by the International Astronomical Union.

Kathryn's father, Paul Gray, helped her make the discovery by taking the steps to rule out asteroids and checking the list of current known supernovas. Paul Gray is also an amateur astronomer. He says that his daughter expressed an interest in the field last year after learning that a 14 year-old had once discovered a supernova.

Paul Gray gave Kathryn a test run last November using some old files. When she did it on her own on New Years Eve she made her discovery after going through only the fourth of 52 images that had been e-mailed to her father by amateur astronomer Dave Lane of Stillwater Lake, Nova Scotia.

Talk about a little girl with a big future in the world of scientific and astronomy. We say congratulations.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in Los Angeles.

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The last known supernova in our galaxy occurred several hundred years ago. The new one discovered by Kathryn has been named 2010LT. (Science OnLine)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Don Carlson, KQ6FM, in Reno, Nevada, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 16th January 2011

The news headlines:

Cadets' usage of 5MHz WSPR is clarified

IARU Technical Consultant appointment

South African Radio League proposal

Non-amateur cadet stations have been getting long-distance reports of their 5MHz transmissions using the amateur Weak Signal Propagation Reporting network but problems have arisen with their unusual callsign formats. Consultation between the RSGB 5MHz working group and the cadet organisations has resolved these.

CCF, ACF, and ATC cadets are permitted to communicate with amateurs on the 5MHz channels and some have been trying the WSPR mode on the 5288.5 kHz channel. A large number of amateur stations worldwide monitor this channel and report the signals heard via the wsprnet.org website. However, the WSPR transmission format is only capable of coding regular amateur callsigns of the prefix, digit, suffix format, but the cadet callsigns are not in this form. After some initial trials by cadets it was clear that any ad-hoc modification of cadet callsigns could cause trouble.

To avoid the possibility of misleading or confusing callsigns being seen on WSPR, the RSGB 5MHz working group has suggested that the cadets modify their callsigns by transposing the digits and the letters in the cadet callsign and in some cases adding an initial letter M. This creates a dummy amateur callsign in the form M89X or M89YZ. The cadet organisations have agreed to implement this suggestion, which will make it possible to correctly identify transmissions from these cadet stations.

IARU President Tim Ellam VE6SH/G4HUA has appointed Ian Greenshields, G4FSU, as an IARU Technical Consultant, to represent IARU at various regulatory meetings such as ITU meetings and to promote IARU objectives at those meetings.

The South African Radio League is preparing documentation to gain access to additional spectrum on the 160 meter band for amateur communication in that nation. South African radio amateurs are being invited to make input by sending their views as to why it is necessary to expand the

very narrow allocation currently available. Responders are asked to include items such as propagation studies and of what benefit an expanded 160 meter allocation will be. The South African Radio League proposal will be presented at the next SARL and the Independent Communications Authority of South Africa liaison meeting, planned for February of 2011.

In just under a week an exciting nine day fund-raising event will start. SOS Radio Week was created to raise money for the Royal National Lifeboat Institution. Anyone can participate, be they clubs, individuals, adults or youths. Simply register on the event web site, download a sponsorship form and raise at least ?5. As an encouragement there are over ?700 worth of prizes from Icom, the SRC Young Persons award, a radio from Martin Lynch and four antennas from Sigma Euro-Comm to give away. There are currently 47 stations registered. In addition there is an award scheme for amateur radio operators that work registered SOS Radio Week stations during the event. The event starts at 00:00 on 22 January and concludes at 23:39 on the 30th. Further details can be found at www.sosradioweek.org.uk.

HM Queen Elizabeth II has awarded the Tristan Government Treasurer Lorraine Repetto, ZD9CO an MBE for services to the community of Tristan da Cunha in the New Year's Honours List published on 31 December 2010.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

Dover Radio Rally will be held today, 16 January, at Whitfield Village Hall, Dover CT16 3LY, which is on the A2 just outside of Dover. The event was revived last year and was such a success that extra space has been arranged for the rally this year. The focus will be on radio related items, rather than other electronic bits and bobs. The website www.doverradiorally.com has all the usual information.

The Red Rose Winter Rally will be held at the George H Carnall Leisure Centre, Kingsway Park,

M41 7FJ today, 16 January. There is free car parking and doors open at 11am. There will be trade stands, a Bring and Buy as well as an RSGB bookstall. Details from Steve on 07502 295 141.

Advance notice now for the next rally, due to take place on 30 January. The Horncastle Winter Rally will be held in the Horncastle Youth Centre, Lincolnshire LN9 6DZ. Doors open at 10.30am and admission will be ?1.50. Details from Tony, G3ZPU on 01507 527835, or email G3ZPU@yahoo.co.uk.

Now for the news of special events

The Porthmadog and District Amateur Radio Society is supporting SOS Radio Week again this year. The club will be operating on 22 and 23 January from 10am to 6pm both days from Criccieth life boat station. And on 29 and 30 January from 10am to 6pm the club will be operating from the Porthmadog Yacht club The society will be using the callsign GB0PLB. All visitors will be welcome to come along and join in or support.

Crewe Heritage Centre Amateur Radio Club will also be taking part in the SOS Radio week, using GB4CHC on Sunday 23, Saturday 29 and Sunday 30 January. The Club will have two HF stations, one on SSB and one on digimodes. They are being sponsored per country contacted and money raised will go to the RNLI.

And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

Diego, LU8DIP will be on various South Shetland Islands from now to about middle of March as LU8DIP/Z and LU1ZS on Base Teniente Camara Half Moon Island. QSL via LU4DXU.

Alan, VK3XPD, Kevin, VK4UH and Mike, VK3KH are active from Norfolk Island, which is IOTA reference OC-005, as VK9NA until 20 January. QSL via VK3KH either direct of via the bureau.

Now the contest news

The UHF UK Activity Contest takes place on 18 January from 2000 to 2230UTC. Using all modes on the 1.3 and 2.3GHz bands, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator. Please note that there are rule changes to the UKACs this year, including new entry categories for 10 watt stations, and active users of the DX cluster and chat channels such as ON4KST. There is also a change to the locator squares multiplier rule. To ensure you enter the right category and avoid claiming the wrong score, please check the full rules on the Contest Committee website at www.rsgbcc.org/vhf before the start.

The data leg of the 80m Club Championships takes place on 20 January from 2000 to 2130UTC. The exchange is signal report and serial number. Remember the maximum power allowed in Club Champs is 100 watts, but for Foundation licensees and those who enjoy low power operation there's also a 10 watt category.

The BARTG RTTY Sprint Contest takes place on 22 and 23 January from 1200 to 1200UTC on all bands from 3.5 to 28MHz. Single band entries are not allowed in this event and BARTG have an interesting rule whereby any single operator station that has been placed in the Top 10 in any BARTG contest in the past three years must enter the `expert' category. The contest exchange for this event is serial number only.

Now the solar report and forecast compiled by Martin Harrison, G3USF.

Solar activity has remained low to very low, with just two small C-class flares reported on the 3rd and 4th. They had little or no impact on propagation. The solar flux recovered from the low levels of the Christmas period, reaching 92 on the 3rd before falling back to average 87 over the week ending January 9th. The 90-day average, which is the best pointer to underlying trends, gained one point to 84. This time last year it was 75. The X-ray flux averaged A8.0. For most of the time geomagnetic activity remained at the low levels of recent weeks, but a brief magnetic disturbance on the 7th reached minor storm level, depressing MUFs at HF and bringing radio aurora in the early hours of the 7th, when most European operators were probably asleep. Solar wind

speeds increased from 285klm/sec on the 3rd to 690km/sec on the 9th, when Earth was within a recurring high-speed coronal stream. Particle densities briefly reached 70 per cubic centimetre but were otherwise in single figures, while the interplanetary magnetic field varied between plus14 and minus 16 nanoTeslas around the same time. It, too, showed only minor variation during the quieter periods. Overall, the HF bands were generally in good shape, with MUFs at times reaching 28MHz, which was open on several days. 160 and 80 metres provided good openings to North America during the breakfast period, while the West Coast was workable on 7MHz by the long path around 1600UTC.

Now the forecast. Solar activity is likely to remain low or very low during the coming week, with only occasional C-class flares. The solar flux looks likely to be in the mid-to-high 80s and geomagnetic activity is expected to remain low. In short, though the Sun can always spring a surprise, conditions during the coming week will probably show little change. The low bands will still be close to their seasonal best, while MUFs at equal latitudes will reach around 25MHz in the south and 22MHz in the north. Darkness hour lows will be around 8MHz. Paths to the Middle East will have a maximum usable frequency in the region of 25MHz. The optimum working frequency at which there should be a 90 per cent chance of a contact, will be about 21MHz. The path should be workable between around 0800 to 1600UTC with 1000 to 1400 the optimum times.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including e-mail addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS

On Monday 17 January Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is operating on VHF. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548478, daytime.

On Monday 17 January South Birmingham Radio Society is holding a committee meeting and putting the shack on the air. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Tuesday 18 January Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is having a video show. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 18 January Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is having a video evening. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Wednesday 19 January Hinckley Amateur Radio Society is looking at digital control of the FT-847. Details from John, M0JAV, on 07836 731544.

On Wednesday 19 January Lincoln Short-Wave Club is putting G5FZ on the air. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

On Wednesday 19 January Midland Amateur Radio Society is having an open meeting, putting the shack on the air and running training classes. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 01214 229 787.

On Wednesday 19 January Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is planning portable events. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday 20 January Cheltenham Amateur Radio Association is having a video evening. Contact Derek Thom, G3NKS, on 01242 241099.

On Thursday 20 January South Birmingham Radio Society is holding training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Friday 21 January Bromsgrove & District Amateur Radio Club is having a committee meeting. Contact Chris, M0BQE on 01905 776 869.

On Friday 21 January Coventry Amateur Radio Society is having a video evening. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777363.

On Friday 21 January Melton Mowbray Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on Worked all Britain by Dave Brooks G4IAR. For more information contact Geoff, G3STG, on 01664 480 733.

On Friday 21 January Nunsfield House Amateur Radio Group is having a junk sale. Details from Ken Frankcom, G3OCA, on 01332 720976.

On Friday 21 January South Birmingham Radio Society Friday is having a construction evening. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Saturday 22 January Lincoln Short-Wave Club is putting G5FZ on the air and working around the shack. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND

Scarborough Amateur Radio Society is changing its venue for January, February and March. The club will meet in the Festival Suites as the main Pavilion is closed until April.

On Monday 17 January Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on operating procedure and best practice by Nancy Bone. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 0191 477 0036.

On Monday 17 January Bolton Wireless Club is having its New Year get together at the Watergate Toll Toby Carvery, Over Hulton. For details, send an email to boltonwireless@gmail.com.

On Monday 17 January Scarborough Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on sunspots and HF propagation by Mario Brashill, G2DPA. Details from

Jerry Scarr, G6LBL, on 01751 476601.

On Monday 17 January Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is running a mini flea market followed by an open forum. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 17 January Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on heath & safety by John, G8RDP. Contact Colin Hirst, G0EPY, by e-mail to colmay@sky.com.

On Monday 17 January Workington and District Radio and IT Group is having a talk on baluns, traps and dipoles by Jim, G3ZPD. For more information get in touch with Barry Easdon, G0RZI, on 01946 812092.

On Tuesday 18 January Chester & District Amateur Radio Society is having a bring and tell at Burley Hall. Details from Barbara Green on 07957 870770.

On Tuesday 18 January Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is having a presentation by Richard, M0RBG on the RSGB 80m Club Contest and computer logging. Contact Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341317.

On Wednesday 19 January Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by G3TLI. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240573.

On Wednesday 19 January Maltby & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a computer clinic. Contact Keith, G1PQW, on 07701 156 678.

On Thursday 20 January Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is having a night on the air. Contact Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 0787 608 5631.

On Thursday 20 January South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is revisiting antenna analysers with Dave, G4UGM. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 0161 969 3999.

On Thursday 20 January Wakefield & District Radio Society is holding a committee meeting and is on the air. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563117.

On Friday 21 January East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is having a bring in something interesting evening. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Saturday 22 January Wakefield & District Radio Society commences its Intermediate course at 1.30 pm. The cost will be ?75 per candidate, which includes the course itself, a course manual, the exam fee, refreshments and temporary membership of the Society for the duration of the course. Candidates will also be required to pay for any construction materials they use for the course project and for a basic tool kit. The Society's excellent shack and antenna facilities will be available during the course for those that wish to use them. More details are on the web at www.wdrs.org.uk or contact the Chairman, Ken Quinn, 2E0SSQ on 07900 563 117.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND

All RSGB affiliated clubs in Northern Ireland are reminded that the closing dates for entries for the Regional section of RSGB's Club of the Year award is 25 January 2011. Further details from Peter, mi5jyk, by email to mi5jyk@rsgb.org.uk.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND

On Tuesday 18 January Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having an operating evening. Details from Norman, on 07740 946192.

On Wednesday 19 January Glenrothes & District Radio Club is holding an EGM. Details from Dave Francis, on 01383 823878.

On Wednesday 19 January West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society is working on construction projects & licence training. More information from Fred Coombes, 2M0BIN, on 01415 715512.

On Thursday 20 January Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is holding its AGM. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663.

On Friday 21 January West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society is having presentations, guest speakers, a quiz and a raffle. More information from Fred Coombes, 2M0BIN, on 01415 715512.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA

Advance notice now that the Hastings Electronics & Radio Club has been obliged to cancel its repeater group auction planned for 29 January due to a lack of items for sale. Donations to Hastings Repeater Group are still urgently required to keep GB3ES and GB3HE on the air this year. For more information contact Gordon on 01424 431909.

On Monday 17 January Basingstoke Amateur Radio Club is holding a junk sale. Details from Clive, G4ODM, on 01256 326050.

On Monday 17 January Burnham Beeches Radio Club continues the talk on propagation by Dave, G8XCK. Contact Dave, G4XDU, on 01628 625 720.

On Tuesday 18 January Andover Radio Amateurs Club is having a club night and holding a committee meeting. Details from Martin, M0MWS, on 07776 181646.

On Tuesday 18 January Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720815.

On Tuesday 18 January Bromley & District Amateur Radio Society is holding its AGM. Details from Andy, G4WGZ, on 01689 878089.

On Tuesday 18 January Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is having a club net night. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Wednesday 19 January Havering & District Amateur Radio Club is having an informal evening. Contact John, M0UKD, on 07817 365354., john@m0ukd.com

On Wednesday 19 January Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is having a DVD evening. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816684.

On Thursday 20 January Cray Valley Radio Society Club is having an activity planning meeting. Details from Bob, M0MCV, on 020 8265 7735 after 8pm.

On Thursday 20 January Horsham Amateur Radio Club is having a social evening. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk.

On Thursday 20 January Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a rig checkout and taking part in the Data Mode Contest. Details from David, G8UOD, on 01234 742 757.

On Thursday 20 January Sutton & Cheam Radio Society is having the story of GB3VHF by Chris Whitmarsh, G0FDZ. More information from John, G0BWV, on 020 8644 9945.

On Friday 21 January Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club is looking at Morse for all abilities. More information from Ron Huntsman on 012233 501712.

On Friday 21 January Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a radio night. Contact Peter, G4AKG, on 01444 239371.

On Friday 21 January Wey Valley Amateur Radio Group is having a club night. Details on the web at www.weyvalleyarg.org.uk.

On Saturday 22 January Harwell Amateur Radio Society is holding its annual dinner. Contact Malcolm, G8NRP, on 01235 524844.

On Sunday 23 January Hastings Electronics and Radio Club is holding its annual luncheon at the Kings Arms, Ninfield, from noon. Contact Ron, G4VBK, on 01424 428428.

On Sunday 23 January Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society is having its New Years' lunch at the Metropolitan Police Sports Club, Chigwell. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 020 8502 1645.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST

On Monday 17 January Appledore & District Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night with QSL Cards. Contact Brian Jewell, M0BRB, on 01237 473251 for more information.

On Tuesday 18 January Blackmoor Vale Amateur Radio Society is having an HF evening in the club shack. Contact Tony, G0GFL, on 01258 860741.

On Tuesday 18 January West Devon Radio Club is having a bring and buy sale. Further information from Jules Cuddy, M1AGY, on 01752 291588.

On Wednesday 19 January Taunton & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its Christmas and New Year dinner. Contact William, G3WNI, on 01823 666 234 for more information.

On Wednesday 19 January Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is having a video night. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417048.

On Wednesday 19 January Trowbridge & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its AGM. Details from Ian, G0GRI, on 01225 864 698, evenings and weekends.

On Thursday 20 January Newquay & District Amateur Radio Society is having a beginner's guide to local ATV by Keith Holland, G3MCD. Contact Joe Bell, M6JOE, on 01726 891557.

On Thursday 20 January South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is having a training session on shack equipment. Contact Len, G4RZY, on 01275 834 282.

On Thursday 20 January Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317750.

On Thursday 20 January Yeovil Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the RA17 by G7LNJ. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk.

On Friday 21 January Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES

Rhondda Amateur Radio Society is due to begin new Foundation and Intermediate courses soon. Could those interested come along to the club on Tuesday evenings from 7pm. The club meets at St Barnabus Church Hall, Penygraig, Rhondda. Contact John Howells on 01443 432542.

43. WIANEWS FOR WEEK COMMENCING JAN 16 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-14 16:08:15 UTC
From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
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Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2011-01-16.mp3
Text edition:

WIANEWS - JAN 16 - VK NATIONAL NEWS

THE BEST NEWS YOU'LL GET ALL WEEK

Oh... and to contact us with your news because
If It Matters To You It Matters To Us!

email nationalnews@wia.org.au

http://www.wia.org.au (click news in member area) Submit your audio news

Please.. If you are only submitting text and not audio, write your story as
you would expect to hear it being read back and NEVER send just links & url's.

WIANEWS FOR WEEK COMMENCING JAN 16 2011.

ALL UP AND COMING IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE OF
AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING JANUARY 16 2011.

Intro - Graham Kemp WIA News studios Brisbane

Thanks Graham, well under the circumstances it's probably the very least that we can do to help by taking a bit of the load off your

studios. And I must say it's great to hear of the level cooperation that exists between the news networks and various stations with

studio facilities and such as yours making facilities available to others to help get the news out.

Well it has been one horrendous week for many folk in VK4. Giving some thought to what to include in this broadcast, it seemed

appropriate to perhaps contact a few amateurs in or near the affected areas to get a few reports first hand. The devestation of the

floods has been simply enormous and a massive cleanup effort is now underway.

I'd like to introduce Graham Martin VK4RD, Graham comes from BILOELA in central Queensland(questions to Graham)

Good morning Graham ..
Now Graham how have you been effected by the floods ?
And what damage have seen as you have been driving around ?
And the flood waters are they now subsiding ?
So has that road become inaccessible?
That's pretty significant, well thanks Graham for your quick report from Biloela

Now Gavin Reibelt VK4ZZ has been taking some time out to tour around Australia but things have kind of ground to a halt for a bit, (questions to Gavin)
Good morning Gavin-
Gavin now we understand you are currently mobile or rather mobile stationary, what part of VK4 do you come from and where are you now
?
Well thanks for that quick overview regarding the bottom bit of VK4, and I hope things improve for you as well take care Gavin..

Now moving up north of Brisbane I caught up with Gordon Taylor VK4VP..(questions to Gordon)

Good morning Gordan ..How are you ?
Gordon what part of VK4 are you from ?
And how have the floods affected your area ?
That's pretty fortunate, has there been any call to help with communications during the last week ?
Well that's pretty understandable, well thanks Gordon for your quick report from the Sunshine Coast.

And going even further north I caught up with Jack Chomley VK4JRC(questions to Jack)
Good morning Jack
How are you fairing ?
Now what part of VK4 are you from Jack ?
And how have the floods affected you ?
And how are the food supplies holding up ?
And the devastation because of the floods in your area ?
And personally have you experienced any damage ?
And amateur radio has that played a part for you over the last week or two ?
If you could pass on regards to your club members and those in your community from the Wireless institute of Australia that would be

appreciated and thanks Jack for chatting with me..
And yes .. it has been pretty wet down here in VK3 as well but not quite as severe as VK4

Now we move back down south to Brisbane where I have Peter Schrader VK4EA on the line ..(questions to Jack)
Good morning Peter..
And your home QTH Peter ?
And I hear you have been assisting with the flood relief ?
So are you at the relief centre at the moment ?
Can you describe for our listeners the flood damage in the area ?
That's great amateur radio operators using their experience and skills to help man the radio network, I guess that would be not only

VHF /UHF but possibly HF as well ?
Well that's great and good to hear that our new band works well, well thanks Peter for

catching up with us on WIA National news.

Thanks again guys for taking my calls to you and giving us some first hand accounts of what is one of Australia's worst natural
disasters.

It really is quite hard to know what to say or how to respond at a time like this, we are joined by our WIA president Michael Owen-.

This is Michael Owen VK3KI

On this day I have a simple message.

All of us in Australia have been aware of the unfolding tragedy of the floods in Queensland, and for me that awareness has been very

personal, particularly for all those people in Rockhampton, as well as Ipswich.

For myself, for the WIA, for the national news service and all amateurs please know that our thoughts are with you at this time.

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news

The first ARNSW - T & T event for the year will be on Sunday the 30th of January at the VK2WI site.

Some of the major items available for sale can be viewed on the ARNSW web site.

You might like to note the other T & T dates for the remainder of the year.

March 27; May 29; July 31; September 25; November 27.

(Tim VK2ZTM)

The next meeting of the Radio Homebrew and Experimenters Group will be after the Trash and Treasure at Dural on Sunday 30 of January.

The presentation will be about designing and building HF Transmitters and Receivers.

A number of members of the homebrew group will present aspects of building HF equipment and ideas will be canvassed for a group project.

As usual, the meeting will start with the usual show and tell segment where members of the group or even just visitors can get up show others what they have been doing.

So for those interested in building their own equipment, experimenting with radios or just looking for a new aspect of amateur radio, get along to Dural on Sunday the 30th.

The homebrew group also looks forward to seeing you at the Central Coast Field Day in Wyong in February.

(Peter VK2EMU Coordinator ARNSW Radio Homebrew and Experimenters Group).

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/
VKC Roundup http://www.police

Jan 16 vk3 Western & Northern Suburbs Amateur Radio Club Family Day
Bundoora Park on now!
www.wansarc.org.au/downloads/FILES/Family%20Day%202011.pdf

The countdown continues to the Centre Victoria RadioFest with its family friendly and interesting program.

The commercial traders have loads of stock to sell at competitive prices, all in the dedicated Traders Hall.

There will be plenty on offer too at the second-hand market tables and car-boot space alley.

What sets this event apart from others is that it includes a mini-lecture program and activities.

The organisers thank the guest presenters:

Jack Bramham VK3WWW talking on the IARU Region 3 Regional Foxhunting Championships coming to Victoria.

A leading exponent on optical light beam communications Rex Moncur VK7MO who will illuminate that interesting subject.

And the DX0DX DXpedition team on their return from The Spratlys, won't they have a story or two tell!

Put it in your diary now. The Centre Victoria RadioFest at the Kyneton Racecourse on Sunday the 13th of February.

I'm Bruce Lees and you're listening to VK1WIA.

EMDRC White Elephant Sale..date finalised.

The EMDRC's annual White Elephant Sale will be held at the usual venue, the Great Ryrie Primary School, Heathmont, on Sunday, March 13th, 2011.

Don't forget to slot that date into your 2011 Events Calendar.
More details are up on the EMDRC WebSite.

Go to: www.emdrc.com.au

Click on "Calendar" and then select March.

March 13th has a link entitled: "Details - WES 2011" which has the contact information.

VK4 - QNEWS
web service local audio news:- www.wiaq.com/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
local news email qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
VKR Roundup http://www.police.qld.gov.au/News+and+Alerts/Media+Releases/

TARC to do Australia Day

Get out your corked hats and throwing thongs - TARC will be out in the field for Australia Day (provided the venue does not get too aquatic) at the famous Loam Island ARDF Grounds and Shelter from 11-30am Wednesday January 26th.

BYO everything and engage in aussie fun and mirth - and even do some radio things too!

Bring the family, bring the lagerphone, bring the esky but don't bring the mozzies !

VK7

There is a Foundation Training day that will be held on Saturday January 22 for at least six aspiring Foundation Licence holders in Tassie.

If you are interested in attending then please register your interest with Reg VK7KK on 0417 391 607, or email on assessor@reast.asn.au.

(Reg VK7KK, REAST Education Officer and Assessor)

Amateur Radio - The first technology-based social network

The WIA is pleased to announce details for the 2011 WIA National Field Day with this years event to be held on Sunday the 17th of
April 2011

Feedback received from many operators participating in the 2010 event requested a change away from the October date. The WIA being

mindful of selecting a date that did not clash with other major VK related contests and activities, considered several ideas put

forward with the suggestion to have the event close to IARU World Amateur Radio Day, April 18th, seeming to provide a news worthy

story. The IARU have announced the theme for the 2011 World Amateur Radio Day to be "Amateur Radio: The first technology-based social
network"

Therefore aligning with the IARU celebration, the WIA has also adopted "Amateur Radio: The first technology-based social network" as

the theme for the 2011 WIA national Field Day.

Rules and guidelines will be announced in early 2011. Clubs are encouraged to highlight the 17th of April on their calendars and to

start considering eye-catching locations during the seasonal holiday period.

Remember this event is a Public Relations activity aimed at maximising public exposure for the hobby of Amateur Radio and for your
club.

New WIA Membership Brochure

Did you know the WIA has a new membership brochure?

Produced for the WIA by Roger Harrison VK2ZRH and Robert Broomhead VK3DN with Illustrations by Ivan Smith, the new DL size brochure

carefully sets out the many valuable benefits of WIA membership in an easy to read, easy to understand format. The brochure is

intended for those who are yet to become a WIA member, or members who are considering renewal. The full colour brochure with it's eye

catching cover is ideal for display and distribution at hamfests, field days etc. Easily obtainable clear plastic DL brochure stands

are perfect for displaying the new membership brochure, whilst it's small size format makes it ideal for keeping a copy in the car

glovebox or door pocket along side the Calling CQ brochure.

Copies of the brochure can be easily obtained from the WIA National office, simply send an email to nationaloffice@wia.org.au

Support the organisation supporting your hobby - Encourage someone new to join the WIA today !

WIA Emergency Comms Training - Registrations Filling Quickly

Registrations are filling quickly for the first WIA Emergency Communications Operators courses. With over 20 registrations received

to date since the announcement of the course just over a week ago, this is a reminder that limited places are available at each

course. The courses are being organised and delivered by the WIA's Registered Training Organisation Trainsafe Australia, with each

training program will be held over four days.

OPERATIONAL NEWS - WITH FELIX VK4FUQ

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2011

Jan 1-31 WIA ROSS HULL MEMORIAL VHF/UHF

Jan 15/16 WIA Summer VHF-UHF Field Day
Includes "Microwave Challenge", with special certificates to
be awarded to the participants on microwave bands.
John Martin VK3KM tac@wia.org.au

Mar 19-20 WIA John Moyle Field Day weekend

Marconi Day 2011

The usual date for International Marconi Day in 2011 would have
fallen on the Easter Weekend, so the organisers have changed the date
to Saturday 30th April.

Details of events will appear on the website www.gb4imd.org.uk in due course.

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, REPEATER BEACON DX AND NET ADVICE
hf nets ON the net, www.timroberts-vk4yeh.id.au/
logging programs try:-

A VK3 Dstar Net is held every Thursday Evening on VK3RWN Port C, frequency 146.9125 MHz.
The net is used to keep Dstar users up to date with current matters concerning the Dstar Network.
The operators who run the Net are Susan VK3ANZ, Ross VK3HBS and David VK3DLR.
(EMDRC NEWS)

The Tassie Devil Award is available for any amateur who meet these requirements.

HF in Australia - 50 Contacts
Oceania and Antarctica - 30 Contacts
North America and Asia - 20 Contacts
Europe and South America - 10 Contacts
Africa - 7 Contacts.

On VHF/UHF you need 20 VK7 stations with at least one contact made in each of the Southern, Northern and North Western regions. Repeaters may be utilised.

On IRLP - contact with 30 VK7 stations.

http://reast.asn.au/awards.php#devil

2010 DX Sound Bites

Tom, K8CX, has done it again. He has provided DXers with 131 memorable DX sound clips from 2010.

Visit Tom's famous "Ham Gallery" Web at: http://hamgallery.com/dx2010

While there also check out some of his other features on his Web page, such as: 13 years of "Rare DX Sound Clips" of the past as well as some clips from the 1960's and 1970's, QSL Card Museum, Dayton Photo Galleries and Tribute to Silent Key Ham Operators.

Tom states, "If anyone has any old HF recordings, I would be interested in hearing from them."

EI8CC, the former Honorary Secretary of the Irish Radio Transmitting Society and new Irish ambassador to Lesotho will soon be on the air from that nation on CW and SSB as 7P8CC.
The final items of his station have been shipped so expect to hear him on the air from Lesotho in the not to distant future.

ZS6TQ is now active as 9Q0HQ/6 from the Republic of the Congo.
His operation is primerally on weekends and during the week after 1800 UTC.
Listen out for him on 40 through 6 meters using CW, SSB and PSK31.
QSL via K3IRV.

DC9TH is now on the air as 8Q7TH from Baa Atoll in the Maldives.
He's reporetedly been heard on 20 meter SSB.
If you work him, please QSL to his home callsign.

VO1AU will be active stroke 9M6 from, East Malaysia between March 2nd and the
15th. His operation will include the Commonwealth and ARRL DX SSB Contests.
QSL via VO1MX.

ENGLAND, G.

Special event station GB 65 ISWL is active throughout 2011 in celebration of
65 years of service to both licensed amateurs and short wave listeners.
The station will be active from various locations.
QSL GB 65 ISWL via G6XOU.

The excitement of rare DX appearing on the band often creates confusion and
on six metres early January was no exception.

VK0KEV on Macquarie Island and H40FN in the Temotu Islands both appeared on
the same frequency, at the same time and as you would expect utter bedlam
broke out with the end result very few worked either of them.

However, through the reigning chaos Norm VK7AC in Launceston did manage to
work VK0KEV plus one or two VK5's before the signal faded away.

No one secured a contact at all with H40FN who was buried under the confusion.

(sourced to vk2wi news)

THE QNEWS WORK BENCH - the nuts and volts report -
(Measure twice - Cut once!)

ANALOGUE MULTIMETERS
There are probably many owners of good quality analogue mul-timeters of
30,000Ω/V sensitivity or similar. Bob, vk3bwz says many of these multimeters
require a 15V battery for the high ohms range.

Unfortunately the small 15V battery is no longer available.

Physicaly, they look like a short AAA battery. However, a 12V battery
(energizer A23) is similar in diameter and with two hearing aid type batteries
(1.4V) sticky taped to the end of the A23 battery in series gives 15V and
better yet fits perfectly into the battery com-partment of a "TMK" multimeter.

(emdrc news)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

AMSAT-VK UNOFFICIAL HF Net.
2nd Sunday each month.
April through October 1000 UTC 3.685 MHz
November through March 0900 UTC 7.068 MHz

HOW TO WORK SATELLITES WITH YOUR HT

Clint Bradford, K6LCS, of Mira Loma California, has published an updated copy
of the "How to Work Ham Satellites With Your HT" tutorial.

Its posted on-line at www.work-sat.com

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP --- NAVAL

Australian Naval Amateur Radio Society -

John Garvey VK5OJ was/is President of the now defunct Society known as the ANARS (Australian Naval Amateur Radio Society).

In a recent posting he said " How sad it has been to see the demise of the A.N.A.R.S. Perhaps one day it will rise again in a better shape with more enthusiasm for the hobby, many will keep the friendship as I do"

Long time enthusiast and the guy who kept us informed here on the WIA news and in QNEWS over the years is Kevin VK2CE who said " It is very sad indeed to see the society cross the bar. I always believed it had the potential to become quite a significant group in the ham radio world but unfortunately this was not to be.

Two names come to mind when one thinks of significant contributions to the Society over the years, Tony Musson vk2cam, and Craig Carlisle, vk4cwc. These two ran the nets right up until recent times. They were there virtually every day with very little time off for other commitments. Others also contributed in their own way and it all helped to keep the group going for 17 years".

Please think of the environment before printing this email

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WIANews - we've reported...YOU decide.

Societies and Club News Letter Editors can EXCHANGE a feed prior to the actual broadcast date, e-mail nationalnews@wia.org.au

Call-backs follow the RF editions, but also for text readers you may lodge a quick reply to let us know you read it, who knows, you might even get a "cheerio call".

Thanks to to our dedicated band of broadcast volunteers who utilize their time and equipment in bringing you this weekly broadcast.

The purpose of "WIANews" is to rapidly provide news of interest to active amateurs residing in Australia and the globe.

We strongly encourage membership in the Wireless Institute of Australia and participation in the activities of local clubs.

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http://lists.wia.org.au/mailman/listinfo/vk1wia-news

44. SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 16 JANUARY 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 16 JANUARY 2011

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'ARMI' and follow the links for details. PLEASE NOTE: for audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 and 3,695 MHz SSB.

In the news today:

SARL MEMBERSHIP TOUCHES 1500

NOMINATIONS FOR SARL COUNCIL

IS YOUR CLUB CALLSIGN STILL VALID?

SARL NATIONAL CONVENTION ON VAAL

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting news items.

SARL MEMBERSHIP TOUCHES 1 500

The SARL membership this week stood at 1 492, touching the 1 500 mark. If you have not yet joined, we invite you to take up the six-month R200 membership offer. Get the details on www.sarl.org.za or call Mariska at 011 675 2393. Just think of the additional benefits members enjoy, like a discount on courses. For example, SARL members pay only R350 for the PIC Programming course instead of the R500 paid by non members. Another two exciting courses are coming, namely Programming in Windows and Advanced Home Construction.

NOMINATIONS FOR SARL COUNCIL

Members are reminded that the closing date for nominations to the SARL Council and motions for the AGM is drawing close. The final date for acceptance of nominations and motions is 31 January 2011. Get the details on the home page of the members only section at www.sarl.org,za. Select 'Members Only' at the top right-hand of the home page and enter your PIN.

SARL NATIONAL CONVENTION ON VAAL

The Sasolburg and Vaal Triangle Radio Clubs present: The SARL National Convention 2011. This year it takes place on 15 and 16 April. Come and enjoy the beauty of the Vaal. There is an exciting line-up, starting on the Friday evening with a wonderful Vaal River cruise down Millionaires' Bend. Enjoy a fantastic dinner and the company of good radio friends until late that evening!

On Saturday morning the SARL AGM takes place at the Vaal University of Technology. A huge flea market will be held for radio enthusiasts, while a nature drive at Emerald Casino Resort will keep non-amateur partners suitably entertained. The two clubs are aiming to make the Convention the biggest get-together of radio amateurs in years. Saturday afternoon has been earmarked for a visit to the Bloemendal medium wave radio broadcast station near Meyerton. Come and experience what a 500 kW RF transmitter is capable of doing, and see how the systems for such a shortwave broadcast station operate and service the world from South Africa.

The Convention's highlight is on the Saturday evening at the Riviera Hotel. This year, the SARL Gala evening is going to be a formal black tie affair. Our guest speaker is Prof. Alwyn Louw from VUT, a fantastic speaker! Gerald Klatzko, ZS6BTD, will be giving a riveting presentation on his satellite contact experiences. The annual prizegiving will be hosted by Tjerk Lammers, ZS6P. Thereafter the Broken Stream band fires up the dance music and the party begins.

Registration for the Boat cruise and the Gala evening is essential as there are limited seats available. Bookings should be done through the club secretary of ZS4SRK by visiting www.qsl.net/zs4srk to complete the forms.

IS YOUR CLUB CALLSIGN STILL VALID?

Clubs are reminded to check if the licence fee for their club callsign has been paid. Although the licence is registered in the Club's name, one of the club members is the sponsor and is responsible for the callsign and its use. Remember to inform ICASA in writing after your club committee elections who the new responsible person is and the address where the account must be sent to. Send the information by email to dkuhrau@icasa.org.za.

BOOK NOW FOR PIC IN GAUTENG

Booking for the PIC course to be held at the National Amateur Radio Centre on 29 January is now open. Do not miss the last opportunity to attend this popular course in Gauteng. The course is filling up fast! Get details on www.sarl.org.za and select RTA.

FREE RADIO AMATEUR COURSE IN PRETORIA

The Pretoria Amateur Radio Club (PARC) is presenting a free course to all persons interested in becoming radio amateurs. The course is three

months, and lectures will be at the University of Pretoria. Tuition and study material are free of charge.

The course starts on Thursday 20 January at 19:30 at the University. The lecture room is situated on the south-eastern corner of the campus, corner University Rd and Lynnwood Rd. Use the entrance in University Rd and follow the route markers from there. It is not necessary to register before starting the course.

Amateur radio is a fascinating hobby. Radio amateurs make radio contacts all over the world and also provide radio communication services to the civil authorities during emergencies.

The aspiring radio amateur writes an elementary exam on radio theory and regulations (purpose of this course) and receives a call sign and a licence to go on the air. Licences are issued only to persons that have passed the exam and are at least twelve years of age.

More information on amateur radio is available at the website of the SA Radio League, www.sarl.org.za, or on the website of the Pretoria Amateur Radio Club, www.parc.org.za. You can also call Fritz Sutherland, 012 811 3875 or 083 304 0028 or Pierre Holzhausen, 082 575 5799 or 012 655 0726.

AMATEUR RADIO TODAY TO FEATURE A WEEKLY TECHNOBYTE

Amateur Radio TODAY, the programme replacing Amateur Radio Mirror International, will feature TechnoBYTE, a weekly technology cameo written and presented by John Willescroft, ZS6EF. Today John discusses the PL259 connector. The audio file will also be available for downloading on Sunday evening and may be rebroadcast on local nets with acknowledgement to SARL Amateur Radio TODAY.

US CONGRESS TO CONSIDER AMATEUR RADIO BILL

The Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Enhancement Act, which ceased at the end of the 111th Congress, has been reintroduced in the 112th Congress as HR 81. The sponsor is Representative Sheila Jackson Lee. The new bill - which was introduced on January 5 - has been referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce. "We are hopeful that this early start will lead to success in the new Congress," commented ARRL Chief Executive Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ.

The bill is supported by the ARRL. The Secretary of Homeland Security will study the uses and capabilities of amateur radio communications in emergencies and disaster relief. Impediments to amateur radio communications, such as the effects of private land use regulations on residential antenna installations, will also be addressed.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is still at low levels. The face of the sun is nearly spotless as Sunspot 1140 has rotated onto the western limb and Sunspot 1146 is struggling to remain

visible. The effective sunspot number is expected to be less than 20 for the coming week.

15 m will provide the best opportunities for DX followed by 20 m. Conditions to India will be good from the afternoon till after sunset. During the afternoons conditions will be fair towards Europa on 15 m, later to be followed by fair 20 m openings. Early evening 15 m contacts with the USA are possible. Contacts with Australia are possible on 20 m at sunrise and during the afternoons. 15 and especially 20 m openings to Brazil and South America are possible during the afternoons. With the good 15 and 20 m openings 17 m will also be full of surprises.

For the CW and digital enthusiasts 30 m may be very rewarding with openings to many parts of the world.

Locally is 40 m the work horse for contacts around the country with 20 and 30-m also being very useful for contacts over the longer distances. 80 m will be best during the early mornings and late afternoons as well as over the shorter distances.

80 m is the frequency of choice during the evenings.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

20 January 2011 - Closing date for submission for application for the May 2011 RAE bursaries; visit www.amateurradio.org.za for application forms. 20 January - Closing date for submission of proposals and synopses of papers for 2011 SA AMSAT Space Symposium to saamsat@intekom.co.za. 20 January - Free amateur radio course at University of Pretoria. 21/23 January - PEARS VHF/UHF contest. 30 January 2011 - Closing date for phase 1 of the construction competition.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio TODAY every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 560 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO.For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'ARMI' and follow the links. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 22:05 CAT on 3 215 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by Hester van der Walt.

Thank you for listening, 73.

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45. TAMIL ACTRESS HOT PHOTOS&VIDEOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-16 07:33:58 UTC
From: sowmya <sowmya9030@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <45de1ce1-2f0f-4b70-b20d-dd570265b20b@j32g2000yqc.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 5085

HOT SEXY ACTRESS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/hot.html
latest hot sruthi hassan stills
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/shurthihassan-new-stills.html
UNSEEN HOT SEXY PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/never.html
SAMANTHA HOT SEXY PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/samantha.html
SEXY DIYA MIRZA
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/diya-mirza.html
HOT AISHWARIYA RAI
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/aish.html
priyamani hot&sexy photos
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/priyamani.html
KATRINA SEXY PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/katrina.html
ANUSHKA HOT PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/anuska.html
BEAUTIFUL AISHWARIYA RAI
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/aiesh.html
TRISHA HOT PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/11/trisha-hot.html
AMISHAPATEL HOT VIDEOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/amisha
HANSIKHA HOT SEXY PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/HANSIKA
HOT SEXY COLLEGE GIRLS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/hot
BEAUTIFUL LARADATTA
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/laradatta
NIKISHA HOT BOOBS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/nikisha
PRIYANKA SPICY LATEST PICS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/priyanka
ONLY FOR YOUTH
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/spicy
SRILEKHA UNSEENED PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/Srilekha
CHOPRA UNBELIVABLE PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/chopra
HOT BIPASA BASU PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/bipasa
TRISHA IN A SEXY FEEL
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/thrisha

SRISHA HOT BOOBS SHOW
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/srisha
BEAUTIFUL POONAM PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/poonam

46. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-16 19:30:12 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <8706feab-2019-4c8d-bf86-ce5756a1cfec@i18g2000yqn.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 5086

On Jan 16, 2:33 am, sowmya <sowmya9...@gmail.com> wrote:
> HOT SEXY ACTRESS

can the spam

47. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 16th January 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-16 21:00:18 UTC
From: news at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20110116210004.26D2233C35@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 5087
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 16th January 2011

IRTS AGM Annual Dinner and Rally 2011

A reminder that the IRTS AGM weekend, including Annual Dinner and Rally will be held this year on Saturday March 26th and Sunday March 27th. The event will be hosted by the Limerick Radio Club. The venue is the Radisson Blu Hotel, Ennis Road, Limerick. For more information contact, Ger McNamara EI4GXB on 087 2532512 or ei4gxb/ at /gmail/ dot/ com.

IRTS Committee Meeting

The next IRTS committee meeting will be held on February 5th in Portlaoise. All affiliated clubs representatives are encouraged to attend.

ECHO IRELAND

The deadline for submitting articles, advertising, etc, to Echo Ireland is February 5th 2011. Everyone is encouraged to submit articles to this journal for consideration for publication.

Engineers Week

This year Engineers Week, organised by Engineers Ireland, runs from 14 - 20 February. Once again the Society plans to participate in centres through the country. Currently under consideration are Athlone, Cork, Cavan, Dundalk., Mayo and Limerick. If you would like to participate please contact S&#65533;amus ei8bp / at / eircom /dot/net.

Your Club Listing on IRTS Website

Club Secretaries S&#65533;amus EI8BP as Web Editor is preparing to update the Clubs page on the Website. Some of this information is somewhat outdated. Please have a look at your club's entry on the IRTS Website and contact S&#65533;amus by Email at ei8bp / at / eircom / dot / net with any changes. The Website information is an important point of contact for prospective club members and an opportunity to promote your club.

Counties Contest

A reminder that your log for the EI/GI Counties Contest needs to be sent to the contestmanager / at/ irts/ dot/ ie. All logs to be received by deadline February 2nd 2011. Your co-operation is much appreciated.

Cork Social Evening

Radio enthusiasts and their partners will meet at the Vienna Woods Hotel, Glanmire, Cork for dinner and a social evening on Saturday February 5th. A comprehensive menu is available to suit all tastes.

Everybody is invited and it would be nice to meet some of the newer amateurs on the night.

Tickets are available from Dave Moore EI4BZ priced at 30.00 and you can contact him on 087-6290574 or by email at ei4bz /at / eircom / dot / net. Previous events have been very successful and have been enjoyed by large attendances.

Region 4 Theory Classes

Following on from the successful classes last year, plans are being put in place for Radio Theory classes in Limerick.

Classes will also include lots of practical sessions and will be based on the revised syllabus as detailed on the IRTS website.

Classes will commence in February depending on numbers and those interested in attending should contact Ger McNamara EI4GXB on 087 2532512 or ei4gxb / at /gmail / dot /com.

Theory Classes at DAR

Dundalk Amateur Radio Society, EI7DAR, will commence amateur radio theory classes Thursday February 3rd 2011. Classes will be held at the club premises 'Larkin House', 113, Castletown Road, Dundalk.

This is an excellent opportunity for anyone interested in obtaining their amateur radio Licence in an adult learning relaxed environment.

For further information and details please contact ei4dib / at /ei7dar/ dot/ com or by text only to 086 4066660. Everyone welcome.

Mt. Leinster EI7MLR Voice Repeater

The EI7MLR voice repeater on Mt. Leinster which operates on 430.950 MHz plus 7.6MHz shift is back up and running. It was off air for the past month for essential repairs. Reports to: repeaters/ at / searg / dot / com.

International Marconi Day 2011

The 2011 International Marconi Day will be held on April 30th. The North Cork Radio Group are pleased to announce that they will be active from the Marconi Signal Station at Mizen head where Marconi sent many of his first test transmissions to America. Further details will be posted nearer the event, however, please pencil the day free if you'd like to attend or work the station.

DX News

The Spratly Island expedition unfortunately ran into some local difficulties and has had to be postponed. The team which had assembled in the Philippines will now try to re-schedule the DX0DX trip later this year.

Zanzibar Island can be heard until 24th January as Sam F6AML operates again as 5H1Z. He is QRV all bands 10-80m CW and SSB. The IOTA reference is AF-032 and QSLs go via the home call.

The husband and wife team of Josep EA3BT and Nuria EA3WL will activate the Island of Mauritius signing 3B8/EA3BT and 3B8/EA3WL from 23rd to 29th January. QSLs for both calls go via EA3BT.

Those looking for a contact with Barbados will have the opportunity of working the editor of 'The Daily DX' Bernie W3UR and/or his father Tony N3ME when they air the calls 8P9UR and 8P9ME respectively from 26th January till 14th February.

The 7th Asian Winter Games take place in Kazakhstan this year with the starting date 30th January. To celebrate the event at least 8 special event stations will be active during the games. Look out for the special prefix UP2011.

For those who still need Curacao look for PJ2/OE3JAG who will be operating mainly CW between 30th January and 11th February 2011. Curacao is one of the four new DXCC entities that count from 10th October 2010.

Lough Erne ARC, Fermanagh

Members and families gather today (Sunday 16th January) for the Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club's winter lunch in the Hunting Lodge, Irvinestown. Attendance is expected to double last January's due to the large number of new members who joined or re-joined last year. Many came from the Club's two very successful Foundation courses.

The guests of honour will be Mr & Mrs Raymond Ashe. Raymond, GI8RLE played an essential and major part in setting up the Club's very

successful Repeater, GB3CP.

Being a family social event, not all the chat will be about radio. However, sure of a mention are the Club's plans for an Intermediate course on three February weekends and the historic thirtieth Lough Erne rally on Sunday 17 April, just before Easter.

WAI Awards Scheme

Terry G4POP is looking for testers who use HRD Version 5.0 and also taking part in the WAI awards scheme? Terry has developed the awards side of the program and has just finished the WAI definition which he would like someone to test in earnest.

It displays WAI by grid or county and provides a matrix displaying grids/counties worked and also totals etc.

Terry can be contacted via email on tgenes /at /btintermet/ dot / com.

Radio Rallies

PHOENIX A.R.C.

Phoenix Amateur Radio Club annual rally will be held on Sunday 20th February 2011 in the usual venue, Coolmine Community School, Blanchardstown.

Doors open for Traders at 9.00 am Doors open to public 11.00am Admission 5 Euros. To book tables contact Tony at 0872439997 or Tom at 01-8211043.

Plenty of Parking, Refreshments and Bring and Buy Sale. All usual traders will attend.

This is the First Rally of 2011.

For further details on Rallies please see www.irts.ie/rallies

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Did you know....

It is reputed that in 1892 Nathan B. Stubblefield made a voice transmission four year before Marconi transmitted radio signals!

This Week in History

On January 18th 1923, the first radio telegraph message was sent from the Netherlands to the Dutch East Indies.

Items for inclusion in next weeks Radio News should be forwarded to Aidan EI7JC, preferably via e-mail to "news / dot ei7jc / at / gmail / dot / com". Or by phone to 085 7100511 News can also be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

48. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #994

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-16 22:24:21 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <384854.26657.qm@smtp126.sbc.mail.sp1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 5088
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.994
Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 994

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Bulletin No. 994
BID: $OPDX.994
January 17, 2011
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, K1XN & GoList, NJ1Q, W1HEO, KH2AR/W4, K3LR, K3USC, NG3K & ADXO, KY4P, N4AA & QRZ DX, KH6BZF, K8YSE, KG8P, W8GEX (60m News), W0GJ, AT International, DL1SBF, DL7MAE & The DX News Letter, DxCoffee.com, DX-World.Net, F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX, G3NKC, I1JQJ/IK1ADH & 425 DX News, I2YSB, OZ6OM & 50 MHz DX News, Pete's-DX-Newsdesk, PU2TEA, PS7AB, RSGB IOTA Web Site, VA3RJ & ICPO and VHF-DX-Portal (MMMonVHF) for the following DX information.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 9th-January, through Sunday, 16th-January there were 220 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HC, HH, HI, HK, HK0/a, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J7, J8, JA, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S5, S7, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T33, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TR, TT, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VK9N, VK9X, VP2V, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, YA, YB, YI, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZD9, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS, ZS8

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

8Q, MALDIVES. Ivan, UR9IDX, is once again active as 8Q7VR from Naifaru Island (AS-013). His length of stay not known at this time. Activity over the past few days have been on 80 and 12 meters CW. QSL via UR9IDX, only direct. Ivan has posted some pictures on his QRZ.com page.

BX5, TAIWAN. Jimmy, BX5AA, will be active during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. Jimmy states that BX5 is a rare prefix for Taiwan (CQ 24). QSL via BX5AA. Visit his Web page at: http://blog.yam.com/bx5aa

C3, ANDORRA. Salvador, C31CT, will be active during the CQWW 160m SSB Contest (February 25-27th) as a Single-Operator/Low-Power entry. QSL via EA3QS.

D2, ANGOLA. Laci, OM5AM, is now active as D2AM from Luanda until March 17th. Activity has been mainly 20 meters SSB with some RTTY. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

DAYTON HAMVENTION NEWS.....
* Contest University 2011 - Tim Duffy, K3LR, announced that registration for the 2011 event is open. This will the 5th year of holding the event at Dayton. CTU USA will be held on Thursday, May 19th, at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in downtown Dayton, OH.
For CTU USA 2011 details, registration and more information, go to: http://www.contestuniversity.com
Please make sure that you click on the registration page. They expect Dayton's CTU 2011 student registration slots will fill up fast. Space is limited. CTU 2011 registration fee:
* 75.00 USDs early bird sign up -- until 1/31/11
* 85.00 USDs between 2/1/10 and 2/28/11
* 90.00 USDs between 3/1/10 and 5/03/11
* No sign ups at the door!
* Sorry, no refunds.
Scholarships available for those 25 years old or younger - contact them for info.

* CONTEST DINNER BANQUET - Tim, K3LR, Dayton Contest Dinner Chairman for the North Coast Contesters, reports (edited): "The North Coast Contesters are proud to announce the 19th Annual Dayton Contest Dinner. The 2011 Contest Dinner tickets are on sale now exclusively via our Web site. Thanks to Scott, KA9FOX, and QTH.com for designing, building and running the Web site <http://contestdinner.com>.
Master of Ceremonies for the Dayton Contest Dinner is CQ Contest Hall of Fame member and World Wide Radio Foundation Chairman John Dorr, K1AR.
The 2011 CQ Contest Hall of Fame Inductions will be formally announced by the CQ WorldWide Contest Director Bob Cox, K3EST.
Our excellent keynote dinner speaker will be announced later.
The Contest Dinner will be held on Saturday night, May 21, 2011, at 6:30 PM, cash bar opens at 5:30 PM, located at the Crowne Plaza Hotel (Official Contester Hotel), 5th and Jefferson Streets (Next to the Convention Center), Dayton (Downtown), Ohio, in the VAN CLEVE BALLROOM.
Seating is random. Tables are set in rounds of 10. You can purchase an entire table for your group. Tickets are only available on: http://contestdinner.com
Many contest operators from around the world attend this event. If

you enjoy radio contesting, you do not want to miss the Contest Dinner in Dayton, Ohio.
You are also invited to attend the Contest Super Suite (Beckel and Miami Ballrooms) which is open for FOUR nights.
See <http://contestsupersuite.com> for all of the nightly activities and details. We expect a quick sell out for the Contest dinner. Get your tickets early!..... 73! Tim K3LR"

* DX DINNER BANQUET. Joe Pater, W8GEX, Secretary for the SouthWest Ohio DX Association, reports (edited): "The SOUTHWEST OHIO DX Association (SWODXA) is pleased to again sponsor the DX Dinner &#65533;, held in conjunction with the 2011 Dayton Hamvention&#65533;. The dinner will be held on Friday, May 20th, 2011. This year the dinner will be at the Dayton Marriott, 1414 S. Patterson Blvd., Dayton, OH 45409.
We are excited about our new venue. It is less than five minutes from our previous location, has a much larger capacity, and the dining room is on the ground floor so there are no steps. There is ample, free, on-site parking.
As in the past, there will be some major door prizes. And there is always great anticipation as to who will be named the &#65533;DXpedition of the Year&#65533;. Program details and a list of the prizes will be available soon at <http://www.swodxa.org> or <http://www.swodxa.blogspot.com>.
There will be a cash bar starting at 5:30 p.m., with dinner served at 7:00. Tickets are 40 USDs each, payable in U.S. funds. Sorry, we do not process Paypal or credit card payments. If a vegetarian meal is desired, it must be indicated when tickets are ordered. We attempt to honor group seating requests when tickets are ordered together. Each table seats ten, and seats are assigned as the requests are received. Check or money orders, payable to SWODXA, should be sent to Kirk Swallow, W8QID, at: 3137 Compton Rd, Cincinnati, OH 45251. Be sure to include a SASE for ticket return.
The Marriott is a large hotel with many room choices. Should you need accommodations, their phone number is 937 223-1000 or the Web site is: http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/dayoh-dayton-marriott
Following the meal, there will be a separate room and cash bar available for more fellowship. This is an excellent opportunity to meet and renew old acquaintances. We look forward to seeing everyone at the DX Dinner&#65533; at the Marriott and at Hamvention&#65533;. Good Dxing!"

EF8, CANARY ISLANDS. Val, RD3AF, will be active as EF8M from Santa Maria de Guia, Las Palmas Gran Canaria (AF-004, DIE S-005, WLOTA L 0969), during the CQ 160-Meter CW Contest (January 28-30th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via UA3DX.

ER4, MOLDOVA. Vlad, RA4LW, will be active as ER4A during the CQ 160-Meter CW Contest (January 28-30th) as a Single-Op entry. QSL via RA4LW direct only.

FJ, ST. BARTHELEMY. Wim, OS1T/ON4CIT, will be active as FJ/OS1T from St. Barthelemy Island (NA-146, DIFO FJ-001, WLOTA LH-0377) between May 14-22nd. Activity will be on 40-6 meters using mainly SSB and RTTY.

The suggested frequencies are:
SSB - 7072, 14192, 18132, 21292, 24972, 28492 and 50115 kHz
RTTY - 7042, 10142, 18102, 21082, 24922 and 28082 kHz
QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct (see QRZ.com).
Visit his FJ/OS1T Web page at:
http://on4cit.webs.com/fjos1texpedition2011.htm

H4, SOLOMON ISLANDS. Darren, VK4FEAT, is now active as H44DX. His length of stay on the island was not provided. Activity over the past week has been on 40/20/10m SSB. QSL via VK4FEAT and not via OH2BN as listed on QRZ.com.

IOTA NEWS.....
AF-032. Sam, F6AML, is once again active from Jambiani on Zanzibar Island (WLOTA 1080) until January 24th. He is signing as 5H1Z and using a FT-857 into a HF9V vertical and dipole, so look for him on 80-10 meters using CW and SSB. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 3525, 7025, 10120, 14005, 18085, 21005, 24905 and 28005
SSB - 3755, 7055, 14260, 18128, 21260, 24935 and 28460 kHz
QSL via his home callsign, by the bureau or direct (QRZ.com).

EU-012. Members of the "Worked All Britain" (WAB) are planning to activate Fair Isle, Scotland, using the callsign GS4WAB and GS7WAB
between August 16-22nd. They plan to activate the rare WAB squares
HZ16, HZ17, HZ26 and HZ27. Fair Isle is the only piece of land within the very rare HZ 100 km Ordnance Survey Grid Square. GS4WAB will be established at the South Lighthouse on the island, while GS7WAB will be used for portable activations on other parts of the island, including the North Lighthouse. QSL via G4IAR, by the Bureau, or direct. If direct (outside the UK), please enclose SAE and 2 USDs. UK stations use a SAE and 2x first class stamps please. If no or insufficient return postage is sent, cards will be acknowledged, but via the Bureau. More details are forthcoming. Also, visit the WAB Web page at:
http://www.worked-all-britain.co.uk

NA-122. (Op Cancelled) Adriano, IK2GNW, who was expected to be active as HI9/IK2GNW from Levantado Island in the Dominican Republic for 2 months starting January 27th, has cancelled his operation.

OC-138/
OC-171. Craig, VK4LDX, will be on an IOTA DXpedition again starting in April. His next trip will be to Horn Island (OC-138) between April 22&#65533;27th. This will be followed by another trip to Magnetic
Island (OC-171) [he was there in December] between on April 29th and May 2nd. Craig states that he has retired his old Butternut HF9V vertical and will now use a Spiderbeam for 20/15/10 meters mounted on a 10m aluminium pole using a tripod.

Look for more details to be forthcoming.

SA-024. Members of the S&#65533;o Paulo Association of Radioamadores (APRE)
along with some guest operators will be active as PR2R from
Ilha Comprida (Comprida Island; DIB SP03), located in the
southern state of Sao Paulo, between January 28-30th. Activity
will be on 80/40/20/15/10/6/2 meters. Operators mentioned are:
Paulo/PY2ZZ, Euclides/PY2EV, Claudio/PY3NZ, Cristiano/PY3UK,
Ronan/PY2RAR, Marcelo/PY2OX, Filipe/PU2TEA and Rafael/PU2RFS.
QSL via Manager PY2OP (see QRZ.com for details. The activation
of this island corresponds to a project of more complex
dimensions that consist of placing on the air all blockhouses,
islands and lighthouses of the State of S&#65533;o Paulo. More
detailed
information will be available soon at: http://www.apre.com.br

SA-097. As this was being written, operators Cezar/VE3LYC and Johan/
PA3EXX are now active as CE9/VE3LYC and CE9/PA3EXX from
Ganzolo Island, in the Diego Ramirez Islands chain. Activity
will be on 40/30/20/17/15 meters using CW and SSB. The length
of their stay is unknown at this time, but activity could last
until January 22nd. QSL all QSOs via VE3LYC, by the Bureau or
direct (mail or PAYPAL; see Web page for details). For updates,
check the following Web page at:
http://ce9iota.weebly.com/index.html

IT9, ITLAY. Saulius, LY5W, will be active as IT9/LY5W from Sicily Island
(EU-025, IIA SC-001, MIA MI-107, WLOTA 1362) during the CQ 160-Meter CW
Contest (January 28-30th) as a Single-Op or Multi-Op entry. QSL via LY5W,
by the Bureau or direct.

JX, JAN MAYEN (Update/Changes). The Jan Mayen DXpedition set between
July 6-14th, 2011, (see OPDX.949) and led by Stan, SQ8X, has announced
their group callsign will be JX7VPA. Currently, the team consists of:
Stan/SQ8X (team leader), Pete/SQ9DIE, Vicky/SV2KBS, Decan/EI6FR, Leszek/
NI1L, Tomek/SQ9C, Bernie/HB9ASZ, Pekka/OH2TA and Deon/K6WH Deon. The
group plans to be on the air for 8 days with 2-3 stations. Stan also
states, "Due to polar summer season at Jan Mayen Island with broad day-
light 24/7 the team will not operate on 160-80 meters &#65533; those bands will
be totally dead at that time. The DXpedition will focus on 30-6 meters,
and our main modes will be CW and RTTY/PSK, with some SSB if conditions
will be good enough to operate as much as we wish to. The team will also
check conditions on the 40m band, but the band may also be not usable at
that time of the year. The team will have a professional TV crew on board
that will prepare a broadcast documentary about the project and the
island." Updated details such as operators and QSL route will be available
soon on the following Web page (currently under construction) at:
http://janmayen2011.org

KH2, GUAM. Operators Nobu/JR3STX and Take/JS6RRR will be active as
W3STX/KH2 and KH2/JS6RRR, respectively, from Guam (OC-026) between

2200z, February 10th and 0300z, February 15th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB, FM, RTTY and PSK31. QSL W3STX/KH2 via JR3STX and KH2/JS6RRR via JS6RRR, by the Bureau or direct (SASE).

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (For January 17-23rd)....
Jan 17 AN SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS
Jan 18 AN --------------------
Jan 19 AN BN - Below Normal
Jan 20 HN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Jan 21 HN LN - Low Normal
Jan 22 AN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Jan 23 AN DIS - Disturbed
VDIS - Very Disturbed

GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

NCDXF PRESS RELEASE. Glenn Johnson, W0GJ, Vice President of NCDXF, sent out the following press release on January 14th: "ARRL & NCDXF Scholarships • Deadline February 1, 2011: This year the Northern California DX Foundation is proud to be sponsoring THREE scholarships for deserving young hams. http://www.ncdxf.org/pages/scholarships.html
The ARRL Foundation administers the granting of over 60 scholarships each year, three of which are sponsored from the W6EEN Memorial NCDXF Scholarship Fund.
The deadline is fast approaching. All materials -- including transcripts -- are due February 1. Beginning this year, applicants must submit all material electronically. No paper forms will be accepted.
Each applicant must submit a transcript from their high school or college to complete their application. Applications must be submitted via the ARRL web site <http://www.arrl.org/scholarship-application> and transcripts sent via E-mail to: foundation@arrl.org
If you have college bound children, grand children or know of a deserving young ham, get them to apply now. There are just two weeks before the deadline. Don't put this off until the last minute."

P4, ARUBA. Dee, W1HEO, will be active as P4/W1HEO from the P49V contest station on Aruba (SA-036) between April 3-16th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters, using CW and SSB, with an emphasis on the higher HF and 30/17/12 meter bands. Although this is a semi-holiday outing, major effort will be devoted to maximizing on-air operating time. Operations on the IOTA frequencies will include: CW - 14040, 18098, 21040 and 28040 kHz; SSB - 14260, 18128, 21260 and 28460 kHz. A special color postcard/QSL will be available. QSL direct only to the W1HEO, by the QRZ.com address or by the Bureau.

PACIFIC TRIP (In Preparation For Conway Reef). Hrane, YT1AD, will be heading to the South Pacific to make do some logistical preparations (boat and some equipment) for the 3D2C Conway Reef DXpedition later this year during September and October. According to the updated news on the 3D2C Web page <http://www.yt1ad.info/3d2c/news.html>, Hrane plans to visit Samoa (5W) between January 18-22nd, and be active as 5W8A. He will also visit American Samoa (KH8), between January 22-25th, and be active as KH8/N9YU. His travels will end at Fiji (3D2) between January 26-29th, and he will also be active as 3D2AD. For updates, watch the above Web page.

POSSIBLE NEW ENTITY (Southern Sudan referendum)? BBC is reporting that "early results from Southern Sudan's referendum indicate the region has voted overwhelmingly to split from the north and form a new country. Full results of the poll are not due until next month, but the region is widely expected to choose to secede." To read the complete report, go to: http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-africa-12201063

PR150, BRAZIL (Special Event). Look for special event station PR150PLM to be on the air between January 16-31st. Activity is to celebrate the 150th anniversary/birthday of the Brazilian scientist, inventor and radio pioneer, Roberto Landell de Moura. Operations will be on 80/40/30/ 20/17/15/10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via PR7AYE, direct (QRZ.com) or by the Bureau. For more details, see QRZ.com. Also, see the Web page: More informations: www.landelldemoura.com.br

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated January 16th)

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4J7WMF via RX3RC HK3JCL via DK8LRF SQ0WOSP via SP7YLD
4V1 via N3OS IA7MM via IZ7AUH ST2BSS via ST2M
(direct)
5H1Z via F6AML IR1C via IK1APO SV8/DL8MCA via DL8MCA
CE1/K7CA via NW7O LY13A via LY5A SV8/LZ1SMX via LZ1SMX
CN2DJ via F8AEJ LY13B via LY3BY SV9/ON6WP via LoTW/eQSL
only!
CT7/DL2MEK via DL2MEK LY13G via LY1G T33/EA3NT via EA3NT
CT9/OH2OT via OH2OT LY13M via LY3M T33/IZ2IPF via IZ2IPF
DL5L via DL5ANS LY13O via LY8O T70A via I4ZQS
DQ60SAAR via DK8VR LY13V via LY2FN T88ME via 7N1RTO
DR11ITB via DK7FK LY13Z via LY2GV TA7/WK1S via JA1PBV
DU1/GM0RLZ via GM0RLZ OM/OK1GTH via OK1GTH UN2E via DF6PB
DU1/VK3GK via VK3GK OY1OF via M0URX UN6GAV/7 via UN6GAV
DU1IST via JA1HGY PA30EBP via PA3EBP V31ME via DJ4EL
DU6/EA3NT via EA3NT PA65ISWL via PA0FAW V31ML via DJ1JB
E70YL via E77E PI30ETL via PA1CPA VE2CSI via M0URX
EA6BB via EA6CA PR5S via PR7JP VK1GG/VK2 via VK1TX
EA7/M0JAF via ZB2JK (direct) PS150PLM via PS7AB VP9/WW3S via WW3S
H44DX via OH2BN R20RCK via RW0UM YB1RGK via DL4NDV
HK1X via EA7FTR SN19WOSP via SQ8JCB YN3M via W0MM

ARRL OUTGOING QSL SERVICE (New Rates). The ARRL announced that "Effective January 17, 2011, a new pricing structure will go into effect for the ARRL Outgoing QSL Service. With the new rate structure, amateurs will no longer need to count outgoing cards and then guess as to what to pay based upon a half-pound rate; a simple weighing of the cards is all that is necessary to determine what amount to send to the Bureau. This new structure also accommodates a small rate increase in response to recent postage, shipping and handling costs.
The last rate revision for the Outgoing QSL Service was in January 2007. Even though international shipping costs have remained flat over the last 4 years, domestic shipping costs have risen more than 16 percent since 2007, while material and handling costs continue to climb 1 to 2 percent each year.
The new rate will be:
* 2 USDs for 10 or fewer cards in one envelope.
* 3 USDs for 11-20 cards in one envelope, or
* 75 cents per ounce, for packages with 21 or more cards. For example, a package containing 1.5 pounds -- 24 ounces, or about 225 cards -- of cards will cost $18.
If you have any questions concerning the ARRL Outgoing QSL Service or the rates to use the service, please send them via E-mail to: buro@arrl.org ."

LOTW NOW SUPPORTS VUCC. It was announced this past week that the "ARRL's Logbook of the World (LoTW) -- an online system for amateurs to confirm two-way contacts that can be used for various ARRL awards -- has been upgraded to support awards based on Maidenhead grid squares, such as VUCC and the Fred Fish Memorial Award.
To take advantage of the new features, you need to log in to your LoTW account. (Don't have an LoTW account? It's easy to sign up. Go to: http://www.arrl.org/instructions
VUCC is an open-ended award in that hams can work on throughout their lifetime, just like DXCC. But, like the Worked All States (WAS) award, the VUCC rules require all the contacts to be made from a defined area. For VHF and UHF QSOs on 1296 MHz and below, this distance must be within 200 km on 1296 MHz and below. For SHF awards, contacts must be made from a single location, defined as within a 300 meter diameter circle. As such, the VUCC support in LoTW allows you to make the rule -- or rules -- necessary to find the QSLs in LoTW that satisfy the VUCC rules." For the complete announcement, go to:
http://www.arrl.org/news/view/logbook-of-the-world-now-supports-vucc

S79K QSL STATUS. Dave, G3NKC, reports: "Following postal delays getting QSLs from the printer; I rapidly turned around all of the QSLs that had arrived to me (around 400). I am still getting a steady stream of requests,
that I should turn around pretty fast. However, I am still seeing a large number of items arriving that were posted well before Christmas. The UK postal service (and in particular, my local sorting office!) is somewhat in disarray at present, and I have been told that they have a significant backlog to deal with. If anyone has applied for a card, but not received one, please QRX; it will come eventually. You can E-mail me to enquire if

you are concerned! I will also accept PayPal to cover return postage which will cut down on half of the journey, but please send me an E-mail to confirm that you are doing this, and ensure that I receive sufficient funds to return a QSL to you." His E-mail address is: g3nkc@yahoo.co.uk

S92SS LOG NOW ON LOTW. Charles, KY4P, reports: "I have typed up my old S92SS paper log (quite a chore!) and have uploaded it to LoTW. That operation was way back in 1992 to 1997. The log contains 1,506 160M CW QSOs. There are many 160M log entries that bear no indication that QSLs were exchanged."

QSLS VIA LoTW: 4Z4KX, 9J2CA, EA1DR, EA5BZ, HB10DX, IQ8PQ, J48S, K1SE, K9DX, K9DX, MW2I, ON4ATW, ON4AW, OR2T, RX9FW, S53XX, SP2JNK and SV2FPU/8

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 5V7T, 9U0A, C50C, CP4BT, D2QV, E20MDN, EJ4II, EJ8GQB, FM/JE1JKL/P, KG6SL, LU1ZD, MD0CCE, OX/DL2VFR, PJ2/N2MF, PJ2T, PJ4D, PJ4E, PJ4I, PJ4W, PJ5/K1XM, PJ5/SP6IXF, PJ7/K1GI, PJ7/K1XM, PJ7E, PQ0F, R1ANH, RI1FJ, ST2AR, TO5T, V51AS, VK3ZL, VK4LDX/p, ZL7/W1SY and ZS8M

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 5T5BV, D44TXR, DS5USH, J5V, KH0/JR2DOL, V51AS/L and ZK2NX

SILENT KEY. It was reported that Ken Stenback, W8KS (ex-AI8S), became a Silent Key (SK) on January 1st, at the age of 63. He was an avid DXer with 343 confirmed on the ARRL DXCC standings. Ken was the driving force behind the Ashtabula County Amateur Radio Club's many activities and served many terms as its President. OPDX and its readers would like to send out our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of W8KS.

SV/A, MOUNT ATHOS. Monk Apollo, SV2ASP/A, was heard active this past weekend on 40 and 17 meters SSB. QSL direct to his home callsign.

T31, CENTRAL KIRIBATI (Update). An international team will activate T31A from Kanton Island (OC-043) between April 17-28th. The transportation has been arranged, all licenses are assigned and the permit is in its final stages. They plan to have 6 stations on the air, operating on 160-10 meters. The following operators have been mentioned: Carlos/EA1IR, Jim/K6ZH, Dave/N1EMC, Arnie/N6HC, Bud/N7CW, John/N7CQQ, Mike/N9NS, Paul/UX2HO, Jay/W2IJ, Charlie/W6KK, Phil/W9IXX and Hrane/YT1AD. The pilot stations will be Eduardo/EA3NY and San/K5YY. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1826, 3504, 7004, 10104, 14024, 18074, 21024, 24894 and 28024 kHz
SSB - 1843, 3798, 7084, 14195, 18145, 21295, 24945 and 28495 kHz
RTTY - 3582, 7043, 10140, 14080, 18100, 21080, 24920 and 28080 kHz
6m - 50099/CW and 50120/SSB
IOTA Frequencies to be used are:
CW - 3530, 7030, 10113, 14040, 18098, 21040, 24920 and 28040 kHz
SSB - 3765, 7055, 14260, 18128, 21260, 24950 and 28460 kHz

QSL via QSL Manager W2IJ, by the Bureau or direct to: Jay Kobelin, 10628 Grandview Drive, Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91701. Current plans are: "Two team members will arrive in Apia on April 6, 2011, to inspect the

equipment shipped from California and operate from 5W as time allows. The team will leave Apia on April 13, 2011, and sail approximately 4 days. Upon arrival at Kanton, we'll setup 2 sites and begin operation. We plan 11-12 days of operation. We'll depart Kanton and arrive back in Apia on May 2, 2011. The T31A Web page is now active and available at: http://www.T31A.com

T7, SAN MARINO. Ivo, 9A3A/E73A, will activate the Amateurs Radio Republic of San Marino (A.R.R.S.M.) club station T70A during the CQ 160-Meter CW Contest (January 28-30th) as a Single-Op/High-Power entry. QSL via T70A.

TF, ICELAND. Richard, K5NA, will activate the TF4M club station in Otradalur, using the callsign TF4X during the CQ 160-Meter CW Contest (January 28-30th) as a Single-Op/High-Power entry. QSL via G3SWH.

TJ, CAMEROON (Update). An international team composed of members of the Provins ARC (F6KOP) will be active as TJ3C from Kribi between February 10-20th (See OPDX.992). It was reported this past week that the TJ3C Web page is now active and online at: http://www.tj3c.fr

TO5, MARTINIQUE (NA-107). Al, F5VHJ, will once again be active as TO5A, but this time during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via F5VHJ, direct or by the Bureau. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW.

TT8, CHAD. Baldur, DJ6SI, will once again return to Chad and operate as TT8DX between February 14&#65533;24th. Activity will be mainly CW. QSL via his home callsign.

V3, BELIZE. Torsten, DG7RO, will be active as V31TF from Belize between February 9th and March 1st. Activity will be holiday style on 160-10 meters using mainly SSB and RTTY, and possibly CW. He will use a FT-857 w/100 watts into a dipole and longwire antenna. Also, look for him to be active in the CQ WPX RTTY Contest (February 12-13th), ARRL DX CW Contest (February 19-20th) and CQWW 160M SSB Contest (February 25-27th), possibly as V31GW.

V5, NAMIBIA. Members of the Lufthansa Amateur Radio Club (LARC) will be active as V55DLH from Omaruru between February 5&#65533;12th. Operators mentioned are: Georg/DD8ZX, Bernd/DF1FF, Juergen/DH0RAK, Juergen/DH6ICE, Frank/DJ3FK, Rudi/DK7PE and Bernhard/DK7TF. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Visit the V55DLH Web page at: http://wp.larc.ws/?page_id&#65533;
VK9X, CHRISTMAS ISLAND (Update/Reminder). A group of JA operators on a DX holiday to Christmas Island (OC-002) is now active until January 20th. The updated operators list include the following (with their own VK9X callsign) are: Tatsuo/JA3ARJ (JA3ARJ/VK9), Takeo/JA3BZO (VK9XA), Hiroko/JH3PBL (VK9XL), Shimatake/JI3DNN (VK9XN), Masumi/JA3AVO (VK9XO), Nakasako/JA3UJR (VK9XJR), Kunio/JA1CJA (VK9XXY) and Nishimura/JA3HJI (VK9XJ). Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via the operator's home callsign. A Web site is currently available at: http://www.nakade.jp/vk9x.htm

VP8O, SOUTH ORKNEY ISLANDS. Members of the Microlight Penguins have begun to head south to Argentina. This is where the team will start their trip on board the "RV Braveheart" to head to South Orkney Islands (AN-008) and be active as VP8ORK between January 27th and February 8th. They expect to be on the air with 7 stations on all HF bands 160-10 meters using SSB, CW and RTTY. If you want a QSL card, there are three ways available to receive one: OQRS direct (on the VP8O Web page), OQRS Bureau (on the VP8O Web page) and direct by mail via VE3XN [w/SASE/Green Stamps/IRC(s)]. For more details and updates, visit the VP8O Web page at: http://www.vp8o.com

VP9, BERMUDA. Seppo, OH1VR, will once again be active as OH1VR/VP9 from Bermuda (NA-005) between January 27th and February 1st. Activity will include the CQWW 160m CW Contest (January 28-30th), probably as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. QSL via his home callsign. Visit his home page at: http://www.oh1vr.net

ZS8, MARION ISLAND (Update). Pierre, ZS1HF/ZS8M, reports on QRZ.com and the ZS8M Web page <http://www.iz8epy.it/html/zs8m.html> (edited): "The polar supply ship arrives on March 15th, 2011. This means the ZS8M SSB operation will most likely end on this date, BUT there is a possibility that PSK operations will continue until May 11th, 2011. If I am able to operate after this date, it will be a bonus. The ZS8M DXpedition will definitely end on May 5th, 2011. On this date our team departs Marion Island for Cape Town." Pierre suggests to keep monitoring the above Web sites for updates.

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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:

Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=help>

Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>

Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=unsubscribe>

OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):

http://www.papays.com/opdx.html

ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:

http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html

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49. ALL JOBS SECTORS SEND RESUMES SEND

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-17 02:36:54 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <b9f045ee-0b8f-4f64-9d56-b488c67ea78b@n10g2000yqd.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 5089

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UK jobs overseas
http://jobstwo.blogspot.com/2010/09/uk-jobs-overseas.html

50. [DXNL] DXNL 1711 (Dec 19, 2011)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-17 20:37:28 UTC
From: Michael Oerter <dj5av@kabelbw.de>
Message-ID: <001a01cbb685$fd4d5380$6600a8c0@pumax>
Source record: 5090
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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Editors Note: Fredy, DE0MST, and Helmut, DL7MAE, want to finish
their work as editors this summer and are looking for successors.
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DX0 - Spratly-Islands: The DX0DX DXpedition to the Spratly Islands has been
postponed "due to circumstances beyond the control of the DX0DX team".
The complete press release is available at www.dx0dx.net .

T8 - Palau: Tack, JE1RXJ, will be active January 21st through 26th as T88RX
from "West Plaza Rental Shack by the Sea Hotel" in Koror (OC-009)
holidy style using 160 through 6 m on CW and SSB with a focus on the
low bands CW. QSL via JE1RXJ, direct or via JA bureau.

ZS8 - Marion & Prince Edward: Pierre, ZS8M, had to fight interferences
with non ham radio equipment. Now he uses an emergency antenna instead
of the Stepper IR vertical. During the last days he was reported on
40/20/17/15 m. He will be QRV through March 15th on SSB and continue
on PSK until May 5th, the day of departure of the team from Marion
Island.

3B8 - Mauritius: Josep, 3B8/EA3BT, and Nuria, 3B8/EA3WL, will be active
January 23rd through 29th from Mauritius Island (AF-049). They will
operate mainly SSB and digital modes, plus some CW, on 40 through 10 m.
QSL via EA3BT, also via bureau. Find more informations at
http://ea3bt.ure.es .

4S - Sri Lanka: Find Mats, SM6LRR, as 4S7LRG from Sri Lanka January 22nd
through February 4th. He will focus on 160. 80, and 40m with a
possible "serious participation" in the CQ WW 160m DX contest.
QSL via SM6LRR, direct, or via bureau.

5H - Tansania: Sam, F6AML, is active as 5H1Z through January 24th from
Jambiani, Zanzibar (AF-032, WLOTA-1080). He operates CW and SSB on

these frequencies: 3.525, 3.755, 7.025, 7.055, 10.120, 14.005, 14.260,
18.085, 18.128, 21.005, 21.260, 24.905, 24.935, 28.005, and 28.460 MHz.
His rig is an FT-857D, HF6V antenna and dipoles. QSL via home call, ok
via bureau or direct with 1 IRC or 2 US $.

9H - Malta: John, G8HWI, will be on the air as 9H3JS from EU-023 holiday
style mainly on 20 m PSK31 January 18th through 30th. He will be
running 3 through 10 Watts to dipoles and an inverted vee antenna.
QSL direct or via bureau to his home call.

Brasilia, special call: PR150PLM is another special call to be used
January 16th through 31st to comemmorate the 150th birthday of the
Brasilian scientist and radio pioneer Roberto Landell de Moura.
Find the station on 80/40/30/20/17/15/10 m using CW, SSB, and
digital modes. QSL via PR7AYE, direct, or via bureau. Further
informations at www.landelldemoura.com.br .

New Zealand, special call: Meet Graeme, ZL1ANH, as ZL50GH through out this
year for his 50 years as radio amateur. He uses a Yaesu FT-1000 MKV,
SB-220 PA, and 4-el Yagi for 20/15/10 m, and wire antennas for the
other bands. QSL via bureau, LoTW or direct with 2 US$ to ZL1ANH.

Switzerland, special call: USKA-Section Luzern presents HB60LU to be used
throughout 2011 for their 60 years' jubilee. The QSOs count for a 5
points joker with the "Old Lucerne Award". QSL manager is Leo, HB9DWL.
Find further informations at www.award.hb9lu.qrv.ch .

Uruguay, special call: The call CW5RV commemorates the 100th birthday of
Louis Varney, G5RV/CX5RV (1911-2000), the inventor of the famous
G5RV aerial. QSL to POBox 6000, 11000 Montevideo, Uruguay.

Pacific: Hrane, YT1AD, will be on a Pacific tour January 18th through 29th
for logistic preparations of a large DXpedition to Conway Reef (3D2C),
planned for September/October - as presented at
www.yt1ad.info/3d2c/news.html .
His tour will touch Western Samoa, US-Samoa and Fidji with activity
Western Samoa 5W8A 18.-22. January,
US-Samoa KH8/N9YU 22.-25. January,
Fidji 3D2AD 26.-29. January.
QSLs for all to YT1AD, Dr. Hrane Milosevic, 36206 Vitanovac, Serbia.
He needs 1IRC or 1 US$ for a standard letter or 2 US $ for air mail.
He promised also QSLing via bureau.

Silent Keys:

These DXers became silent keys during the last weeks: S. Hasan Mahmood Zaidi
(AP2ZH), R. John Gardner (GW4KVJ), Bruno Fornelli (I1YLM), Dario Laurindi
(IZ0MTV), Peter Eames (M0AXD), A. George Spencer (VE3AGS), Bill Voedisch
(W1UD), John P. Basilotto (W5GI), Leonard Andrew "Woody" Woodward (W7KOP)
at 99 years of age, and Ken Stenback, W8KS (ex-AI8S).

LINKS:
Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:

http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

22./23. January: BARTG RTTY Sprint.

IOTA collected by Fredy,DE0MST (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:

HS & XU Island-Tour (IOTA-Operation): Eddy/ON4AFU will be active as HS0ZJF
and XU7AFU during the next months from
AS-101 Koh Samui HS0ZJF/8 20.01.-10.02.
AS-126 Butang Grp. HS0ZJF/9 11.-20.02.
AS-053 Koh Yao Yai HS0ZJF/8 10.-22.03.
AS-133 Koh Russei XU7AFU 23.02.-08.03.
QSL via home call (d/B).

OC-009, T8, Palau Islands: Find Tsutomu/JA1VND January 14th through 19th
as T88FF from Koror Island. QSL via home call (d/B).

SA-099, PJ2, Curacao Islands: Look for Jeff/K8ND and Jim/W8WTS January 20th
through February 3rd using PJ2/home call (im CQWW DX 160 m CW Contest
as PJ2T) from Signal Point Contest Station on Curacao. QSL via home
call (d/B). QSL PJ2T via N9AG (d/LoTW).

Lighthouse activities (WLOTA/ARLHS/ILLW)

CU1CB LH 2978 St. Maria resident
HS0ZJF/8 LH 1384 Koh Samui 20.01.-10.02.
PJ2/K8ND LH 0942 Curacao 20.01.-03.02.
PJ2/W8WTS LH 0942 Curacao 20.01.-03.02.
R0FA LH 2318 Sakhalin resident
SV8EP LH 0452 Kefallonia resident
9H3JS LH 1113 Malta 18.-30.01.

Bandspots of the last 7 days
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160 m
A92IO 1.827 1910Z via EI3IO (B, L), eQSL
DU1IST 1.812 2203Z via JA1HGY (B)
HL5IVL 1.818 2140Z
HR2DMR 1.824 0510Z (d)
IH9YMC 1.848 2214Z eQSL only
ST2AR 1.830 1850Z via S53R (d)
4L5O 1.827 1940Z via N3SL (B)

40 m
LX/ON5QRP/p 7.025 1240Z FF14

PR150PLM 7.135 0100Z via PR7AYE (B)
SV9/ON6WP 7.030 1838Z EU015, via ON6WP (L)
TJ3AY 7.150 1728Z via F5LGE (B)

30 m
A45XR 10.111 1643Z (d) or A4-bureau
GM0WED 10.104 1543Z EU-009 (d)
II0ITA 10.114 1647Z via IQ0RM (B), (L), eQSL
J28AA 10.102 1616Z via K2PF (B)
RV6ALI/6 10.117 0541Z RFF-041, via RV6ALI (B)
TA7/WK1S 10.114 1437Z via JA1PBV (B)
TF6IF 10.120 1504Z (B)
UA0BA 10.105 0711Z

20 m
CE9/PA3EXX 14.041 2329Z SA-031, via VE3LYC (B)
CE9/VE3LYC 14.260 2215Z SA-031, via VE3LYC (B)
CO6LC 14.260 1301Z (d)
GX4HRC/A 14.020 0919Z via G3SVK
HA7UL/p 14.011 1146Z (d), (L), eQSL
HZ1AN 14.016 0616Z via DJ9ZB (B)
HC2SL 14.022 1223Z via EA5KB (B)
LZ11PGP 14.056 1600Z via LZ-bureau
R0FA 14.016 0716Z (B)
SV1CAL/p 14.333 1026Z SOTA AT-011
SV3IEG/1/p 14.285 1230Z SOTA AT-033
SV8/DL8MCA 14.225 1220Z EU-072, via DL8MCA (B)
SV9/ON6WP 14.036 1235Z EU-015, (L), (d), eQSL
TJ3AY 14.245 1635Z via F5LGE (B)
V31ML 14.260 1604Z NA-123, via DJ1JB (B)
VO2NS 14.023 1606Z (d), eQSL
YS1/HB9KNA 14.136 1336Z via HB9KNA (B)
ZL50VK 14.185 0913Z OC-036, via ZL1VK (B)
3B9/F6HMJ 14.004 1500Z via F6HMJ (B)

17 m
CE1/K7CA 18.069 1545Z via NW7O (d)
CE9/VE3LYC 18.142 1545Z SA-031, via VE3LYC (B)
CE9/VE3LYC 18.128 1900Z SA-097, via VE3LYC (B)
DU1/GM3POI 18.071 0954Z
KP2/EB7DX 18.145 1416Z via EB7DX (d)
TG9/DL5RMH 18.082 1617Z via DL5RMH (B)
TJ3AY 18.140 1037Z via F5LGE (B)
UN7ECA 18.079 0941Z via DL7EDH
V31ME 18.160 1440Z NA-073, via DJ4EL (B)
V5/DJ2HD 18.130 0915Z via DJ2HD (B)
VU2RBI 18.130 1024Z (d)
W6UB/m 18.140 1531Z NA-062, (L)
4X4DZ 18.069 0749Z
5B4AIF 18.125 0926Z AS-004
5N7M 18.136 1141Z via OM3CGN (B)

15 m
A45XR 21.030 1056Z (d) or A4-bureau
BY8AC 21.023 0754Z (d)
BP100 21.021 0810Z via BX4AQ (d)
DU1/VK3FY 21.295 1016Z OC-128, via VK3FY (B)
RA9UIV/9 21.033 0715Z (d)
XE3RT 21.015 1530Z (d)
3B8CF 21.027 1301Z (d)
4L8A 21.016 1214Z via K1BV (B)
7X4AN 21.015 1437Z (d)
9J2BO 21.025 0708Z via G3TEV (B)

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(B) = bureau ok
(L) = LoTW

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

23Jan-29Jan 3B8/EA3WL 1711 *
21Jan-01Feb 3B8/F6HMJ 1709
11Jan-20Jan 3B9/F6HMJ 1709
26Jan-29Jan 3D2AD 1711 *
- middle Mar 3D2HC 1710
- Dec 3Y8XSA 1700
- 13Mar 4S7KKG 1706
22Jan-04Feb 4S7LRG 1711 *
- 20Jan 4V1 1710
- 25Oct 5B50J 1700
- 24Jan 5H1Z 1711 *
17Jan-04Feb 5R8HL 1710
17Jan-25Jan 5R8PR 1710
18Jan-22Jan 5W8A 1711 *
- Apr 2012 5Z4RH ? 1674
08Jan-21Jan 6W7SK 1709
- Jan 7Q7HB 1700
18Jan-30Jan 9H3JS 1711 *
- Sep 9J2KK 1682
- Apr 9M2MRS 1697
- middle Feb 9M2QQ.. 1710
now 9M6/KM9D 1699
soon 9Q1EK 1669
- Nov 9Q6CC 1699

12Jan-09Feb A6/VE6LB 1710
- Aug A92IO 1663
- 31Dec BP100 1684
- 31Dec BV100 1684
07Jan-22Jan CE9/VE3LYC.. 1709
- 20Jan CE*/F6DXE 1710
- 31Dec CW5RV 1711 *

- May D2AK 1675
- 17Mar D2AM 1710
- 22Apr D2QR 1675
- late Feb D2SG 1692
- 31Aug DL20Y2DM 1700
- 31Jan DT8A 1652
- 24Jan DU/F2JD 1680/1706
17Jan-21Jan DU1/SM0MDG.. 1710
- Jan DU1/JJ5GMJ 1695
cancelled DX0DX 1709/1711 *
26Nov-23Feb EA8/ON5JV.. 1703
16Jan-26Jan FK/DL2NUD.. 1710
- Aug FO8RZ 1636
- Jul 2012 FR8NE 1710

13Jan-12Apr H44MS 1710
- 31Dec HB60LU 1711 *
01Jan-31Dec HG200LST 1708
10Jan-07Mar HK3JCL 1709
20Jan-10Feb HS0ZJF/8 1711 *
11Feb-10Feb HS0ZJF/9 1711 *
01Jan-31Dec IA7MM 1708
01Jan-31Dec II1ITA.. 1708
01Jan-31Mar IO7DAI 1708
- 2011/2012? J28JV 1680
- Jul 2012 J28RO 1683
- Jun 2013 KH2/N2NL 1680
postponed 2011 KH5 1674/1705
22Jan-25Jan KH8/N9YU 1711 *
now LU1ZA (S.O.) 1695
- Jan 2011 LU/LA6IKA.. 1700
12Jan-20Jan LY13.. 1710
- middle Mar OA/OE3NHW 1701
28Dec-28Jan OA4/PA3GFE 1707
Dec/Jan OJ1ABOA 1704
10Nov-24Feb OR4TN 1700

10Jan-24Jan P40CG 1709
01Jan-31Dec PA30.. 1708
20Jan-03Feb PJ2/W8WTS.. 1711 *
16Jan-31Jan PR150PLM 1711 *
Jan PS150PLM 1708
- late Dec RI1ANC 1708
Oct2010-May2011 T6JC & T6TL 1695
- 19Jan T88FF 1711 *
21Jan-26Jan T88RX 1711 *
Jan V31DI 1710
10Jan-26Jan V31ME & V31ML 1709
- late Feb V31YN & V31GW 1710
07Jan-21Jan VK9NA 1709
14Jan-20Jan VK9XA.. 1710

Nov-Mar 2012 VK0KEV, Macqu.1700/1701
- 24Jan VQ9LA 1707
23Feb-08Mar XU7AFU 1711 *
27Jan-02Feb YJ8GR & YJ8HP 1710
- Sep ZD9GI 1691
- 31Dec ZL50GH 1711 *
01Jan-31Mar ZL50VK 1708
- 05May ZS8M 1674/1711 *

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

BX100 via BM2JCC
CE1/K7CA via NW7O (d)
CN2DJ via F8AEJ (B)
CT7/DL2MEK via DL2MEK (B)
CT9/OH2OT via OH2OT (B)
D2AM via OM5AM (B)
DL5L via DL5ANS (B)
DQ1175E via DL5DCL (B)
DU1IST via JA1HGY (B)
DU1/GM0RLZ via GM0RLZ (B)
DU1/VK3GK via VK3GK
DU6/EA3NT via EA3NT (B)
EG2DSF (d)
EI/MI0ADX via MI0ADX
EM10LR via UR4LXB
H44DX via OH2BN (B)
H44FT via VK4FTDX (B)
HK1X via EA7FTR
HK3JCL via DK8LRF (B)
V31ME via DJ4EL (B)
V31ML via DJ1JB (B)
VE2CSI via M0URX (B)
VK1GG/VK2 via VK1TX (B)
VP9/WW3S via WW3S (L), (d)
YB1RGK via DL4NDV (B)
YN3M via W0MM (B)
3Z5WOSP via SP5PPK (B)
4J7WMF via RX3RC (B)
4V1 via N3OS
5H1Z via F6AML (B)
9A65CVW via 9A6Z (B), eQSL

(d) = only direct
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(*) = new QSL manager
(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)

* QSL V51AS: Frank lived in Swakopmund (Namibia) for 12 years but went
to Koenigs Wusterhausen to be active as DH5AS. During those 12 years
Frank did ca. 300.000 QSOs from V5 and ca. 11.000 from Botswana.
QSLs - "direct only" - from: Frank Steinhaeuser, Miersdmorfer Str. 23b,
15732 Schulzendorf.

QSL arrived direct: 3B8DB.

Many thanks for contributing to this issue of the DXNL are going to:
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WIN-QSL), DH4PSG,DJ5AV, DJ5MN, DK8JB,DL1MDV, DL1SBF,DL2FDL, DL7VOA,
F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX, NG3K, OE2IKN, Robyn Eames, and others.

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51. Battery Question

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-17 20:44:06 UTC
From: Tuuk <abra@cadabra.com>
Message-ID: <iS1Zo.30991$bd2.29181@newsfe12.iad>
Source record: 5091

Hi

With the smaller batteries such as AA and AAA for things like Camera or MP4 players or MP3 players what is better? The rechargable or disposible?

If not used daily or even weekly which is better? I know the LI are now better than the Ni cad.

I am noticing the MP4 and MP3 are very particular, the NiCad batteries lose their voltage. The AAA are 1.5v but after a couple years they only become 1.3v and the electronic things are finicky and shut themselves down.

Any good deals or suggestions?

I want to get a little charger and keep about 6 of each batteries going. Or should forget the charger and use disposible?

Any suggestions are great, thnx

52. Re: Battery Question

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-18 05:01:36 UTC
From: Nordic Breeds WA4VZQ <ABSOLUTELYwa4vzqNO@SPAMlive.com>
Message-ID: <ih36rfqen1@news.eternal-september.org>
Source record: 5092

" Tuuk" <abra@cadabra.com> wrote in message
news:iS1Zo.30991$bd2.29181@newsfe12.iad...
> Hi
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Nickel-Cadmium batteries produce 1.2 volts per cell, not 1.5. Their discharge curve is flatter than carbon-zinc cells whose voltage drops off quickly. If the equipment was made to operate with this dropping voltage, using NiCd cells may result in longer life. NiCd cells self-discharge fairly quickly while Lithium Ion cells hold their charge for quite a while if not used. See the Wiki page for more information about NiCd cells.

73, Dr. Barry L. Ornitz WA4VZQ

53. The ARRL Contest Update for January 19, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-19 15:36:17 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20110119145526.C750A23C09@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 5093
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The ARRL Contest Update

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NEW HF OPERATORS - THINGS TO DO

FYBO - that stands for "Freeze Your Butt Off" and it's the winter Field
Day-style event sponsored the QRP AZSQRPions
<http://www.azscqrpions.com>in a couple of weeks on Feb 5th. Not every
HF event is totally serious, you know! Since one of the scoring inputs
is the temperature of your operating location, the zeroes have
home-field advantage!

BULLETINS

WPX SSB log checking reports are available. If you submitted a log, you
should have received an email from WPX Contest Director K5ZD
(k5zd@charter.net).

BUSTED QSOS

The K9VV mentioned in the previous issue's story about SDR web sites
was actually N9VV. (Thanks, Dan K1TO and Art K6XT)

CONTEST SUMMARY

Complete information for all contests follows the Conversation section

January 22-23
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- ARRL January VHF Sweepstakes
- NAQCC Monthly QRP Sprint--CW (Jan 20)
- Locust QSO Party--CW (Jan 20)
- YLISSB QSO Party--Phone
- BARTG RTTY Sprint

January 29-30

- CQ WW 160 Meter Contest--CW (starts Jan 28)
- REF French Contest--CW
- UBA Contest--Phone
- Winter Field Day
- WAB Top Band Phone Contest
- Classic Exchange--CW (Jan 31)

==> NEWS, PRESS RELEASES, AND GENERAL INTEREST

The big story of the past two weeks is welcome news for VHF+ contesters as the ARRL's online Logbook of the World (LOTW) now supports VUCC awards <http://www.arrl.org/news/logbook-of-the-world-now-supports-vucc>. The ARRL Web article reviews the changes and answers some of the immediate questions about getting started. LOTW will also support the Fred Fish Memorial Award <http://www.arrl.org/ffma> - earned by only two grid-chasing stations so far! The ARRL Outgoing QSL Service, for those who prefer paper to programs, announced new rates effective this week. <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-outgoing-qsl-service-announces-new-rate-structure>

While the ARRL LOTW site does have a lot of supporting instructions, Dave, AA6YW, author of DXLab Suite, has created his own complementary set of instructions <http://www.dxlabsuite.com/dxlabwiki/CreateStationLocation> for adding locations to your TQSL software configuration - a key element of successful LOTW use. (Thanks, Peter N5UWY)

The North Coast Contesters <http://www.northcoastcontesters.com/> have announced the 19th Annual Dayton Contest Dinner <http://contestdinner.com/> and are taking ticket orders. This is the venue for CQ Contest Hall of Fame inductions and the keynote speaker is always enjoyable. The dinner will be held on Friday, May 21st, at the Crowne Plaza Hotel. (Thanks, Tim K3LR)

In discussing participation in the ARRL 10 Meter Contest by Mexican stations, Ramon XE1KK and Hector XE2K contributed additional information about Mexican licensing. Perhaps the clearest explanation of the complicated process is available from Christian DL6KAC <http://ham-blog.de/reciprocal-licence-xe-permit/> - it applies for both resident and visiting hams. How does this stack up to other ITU Region 2 licensing? The comparison <http://bit.ly/dMgclE> shows that it's tough to be an XE licenseholder with the highest fees of any Region 2 country! Mexican ham radio licensing rules <http://www.qsl.net/oh2mcn/xelawen.pdf> have been translated into English by George XE1/N9VIU. Note that no Mexican national may allow

any other person to use his or her call sign. Both Ramon and Hector remind us that, like in many other countries, abuse of the rules by visitors helps keep restrictive regulations in place.

Does it seem hot in here? Only about a million, more or less. Is that F or C? Scientists are making good use of the new solar observatory satellites to learn just how the corona gets so hot <http://news.sciencemag.org/sciencenow/2011/01/really-hot-doins-discovered-on-t.html>! Since the corona is the source of many solar phenomena that affect radio propagation, understanding its mechanics has a lot of practical use right here on terra firma.

The group managing the ARRL Frequency Measuring Tests (FMT) has announced a new format for the April 12th (April 13th UTC) exercise. More information will be printed in the March issue of QST or you can keep an eye on FMT manager Connie K5CM's web site <http://www.k5cm.com/> for more information.

The Minnesota QSO Party <http://MN%20QSO%20Party%20County%20Activity%20Map> (Feb 5) is working hard to be sure all 87 counties are activated - even roving in frigid temperatures <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UIdHj735id4> that would freeze a sine wave! The MN QSO Party County Activity Map is color-coded to show expected county activations and clicking on a county shows call signs "signed up" to activate it. The web site will also track the rovers in real-time via APRS as the contest progresses. Pretty cool! (Thanks, Bob K0RC)

Alberto LU1DZ writes in with notification of a new web site for the CW World Wide South America Contest <http://www.wwsatest.org/>. Results of previous contests will be published here when they are available.

W3KM has updated his Cabrillo Log Evaluator <http://www.dxzone.com/cgi-bin/dir/jump2.cgi?ID=11571> software - it's very useful for contest sponsors that use the Cabrillo log format for submissions. If your club sponsors a contest, why not encourage the use of the standard format and make your log-checking life a bit easier? Individual contesters may find the Cabrillo Log Checker <http://www.contestlogchecker.com/> to be helpful in converting and managing their logs. (Thanks, John WA2HIP and Bob N6TV)

Web Site of the Week - Science fairs are a lot of fun for the technically-inclined student and encourages them on their way to a career in engineering or science. Google has launched its own Global Science Fair <http://www.google.com/events/sciencefair/> project for entrants between the ages of 13 and 18. Each project is created as a Google web site and the judges will be actual scientists and technical professionals. Maybe that new antenna or digital protocol would catch their eye?

WORD TO THE WISE

Endurance - this is a plus for both contesters, DXpeditioners, and sailors. With some of our contesting compadres headed for the South Orkneys <http://www.vp8o.com/> this week, Endurance by Caroline Alexander about the explorer Shackleford's adventures in the same area might be a good read while waiting for them to reach the island. Says, Rus K2UA, "So many lessons for all of us about teamwork, faith, and the human spirit in the face of incredible adversity [that] the Southern Ocean dishes out even in the summer."

==> SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

If it seems like the QRN from a thunderstorm is curiously strong, perhaps it's just the echoes of matter-antimatter annihilation! It turns out that thunderstorms can actually create antimatter and gamma rays <http://svs.gsfc.nasa.gov/vis/a010000/a010700/a010706/index.html> like a giant particle accelerator. The NASA story has lots of interesting graphics and animations to explain how this happens. You'll never look at big cumulonimbii the same way!

What is it like to land on a remote Pacific atoll? Take a look at this cockpit video <http://indiatube.apnicommunity.com/video/L8BD8DEpr2Y/Gulfstream-G1-Approach-and-Landing-on-Palmyra-Atoll-AVI.html?sms_ss=email&at_xt=4d33a5337cbca75f%2C0> of a Gulfstream twin-engine coming in over the lagoons and reefs. (Thanks, Katie Stadler)

The Hallicrafters SCR-299/HT-4 transmitter did yeoman's service in World War II and was a legendary surplus item in the post-war years. Here's a long video <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Jps0_2adUvo&feature=player_embedded> looking back at a ham radio icon. (Thanks, John W7KCN)

==> RESULTS AND RECORDS

A very nice analysis of the 2010 UBA contests <http://www.uba.be/sites/default/files/uploads/hf_contests/uba_contest_info.pdf> with notes about logs and log checking has been posted by our Belgian correspondent, Franki ON5ZO.

The results of the 2010 Ohio State Parks on the Air Contest <http://parks.portcars.org/ospota/wp-content/uploads/2010/12/results-29dec.pdf> are online. (Thanks, Joe W8KNO)

SYLRA Contest 2010 Final Results <http://contestclubfinland.com/CCF/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=94&Itemid=2> are ready online - congratulations to all the trophy winners! (Thanks, Janne OH6LBW/OH6M)

LZ DX Contest 2010 preliminary results <http://lzdx.bfra.org/results2010bg.html> are now on-line and become official on 15 Feb. (Thanks, Wally LZ2CJ)

OPERATING TIP

How to Build A Pot, by Festus - "Most people just don't know how to make good coffee. In the first place, they boil the water before they put the coffee in. Any fool knows you gotta put the coffee in the cold water and bring them both to a boil together. That way you get all of the flavor. Worst thing they do, they throw away the old grounds after using them once. What they don't know is that they are throwing away the best part. You got to keep them old grounds and you add a little fresh coffee every morning and let her boil. Shoot, you don't make a cup, you build a pot. You don't really get a good pot until you've been usin' it about a week. Then it's coffee!" - Festus was a memorable character played by Ken Curtis on the Gunsmoke TV show.

==> TECHNICAL TOPICS AND INFORMATION

Amplifier fuses may not be the usual glass-cartridge style. If yours uses ceramic cartridge fuses, you can often find them as "microwave oven fuses". They are also available from electronic suppliers, such as Mouser Electronics <http://www.mouser.com/>. Don't substitute glass fuses as they are not rated to handle or interrupt the same current and voltage. (Thanks, Jim W7RY and Vic K2VCO)

Looking up the connections of a microphone can be maddening - there are so many, the manufacturers all use different conventions, signal names are different. Ugh. To the rescue rides Roy, G4WPW with his amazing compilation of microphone connector wiring and schematics <http://homepage.ntlworld.com/rg4wpw/date.html>. Three cheers for the compilers of information among us!

Speaking of (or into) microphones, if you are the type that enjoys putting the end of a vacuum cleaner hose next to the cat and making growly noises into the other end, you might enjoy learning that a toilet paper tube placed over certain microphones can have interesting effects on the resulting transmitted audio. This was a regular "enhancement" for the Kenwood MC-60 desk mike, for example. Will it improve your score? The reply is somewhat hazy!

If you have a Pelican hard-shell equipment case, but need foam inserts <http://www.foamerica.com/SearchResults.asp?Cat=21> for cushioning equipment, Dan KI4YZE recommends Foamerica.com as having a complete selection.

Here's a way to evenly space any number of radials around an antenna base. First, find the circumference of the circle that contains the shortest radial: C = 2*pi*r, where r is the length of the shortest radial. Divide C by the number of radials. This is the distance between the radials as they cross the circle. Using this method, even an irregular area can be covered with evenly-spaced radials. (Thanks, Rod WN8R)

At the other end, to what do you connect the radials? There are all sorts of suggestions from pre-drilled and threaded radial connection plates to scavenging bent aluminum wheel rims from an auto body shop. Dave AB7E reminds us that while it looks pretty, the electrons don't

care if the radial attachment is made in a circle - you can use short lengths of bus bar or flashing strip around the antenna to make several radial connections as a strip or with the ends connected together forming a polygon.

Reminder - call before you dig! No matter where you live in the U.S. there is a phone number you can call to check for buried cables and pipes before the first shovel of dirt is turned. Call your local utility to find out who does the job in your area.

Technical Web Site of the Week - Are you suffering through the oh-so-slow beginnings of solar cycle 24? Paul VE1DX offers some Cassidic-inspired wisdom featuring the Palos Verdes Sundancers <http://www.southgatearc.org/dx_stories/palos_verdes_sundancers.htm>. If you want something to occupy you until the cycle has progressed a little farther, read this interesting paper <http://arxiv.org/pdf/1005.5303v3> about orbital resonances of the outer planets and their effects on the Sun. (Thanks, Rich KL7RA)

==> CONVERSATION

Whither, Single-Op?

In the last issue, I discussed how radio is changing from a one-at-a-time to everybody-at-once. ("Parallel to Serial", 5 Jan 2011) That makes a big difference in how we think of what we do and how we compete. Another big game-changer is the ability of software to compete with the "wet-ware" between our ears. Just this past week, in a practice round Watson, the IBM-designed supercomputer, beat the all-time Jeopardy champs at their own game <http://www.computerworld.com/s/article/9205158/IBM_supercomputer_wins_first_Jeopardy_dust_up>.

Does the relentless advance of computers put our own game in jeopardy? No more than the advent of steam-power eliminated sailing competitions. Nor has technology relegated sailing to the back-benches of re-enactment hobbies. Read through the reporting on the America's Cup sailing yacht races and you will find competition as intense as any cutting-edge sport. Yet, it is important to clearly identify what technological apples are being compared. Indeed, a race of the sailing against engine-powered vessels would not be much of a draw. We need to make the same set of distinctions in radiosport. As always, definitions are important.

First, let's start with the word "assisted" as it is found in category definitions. Although contest rules for "Single-Op Assisted" categories are clear, there is lots of confusion. The only thing to which the term "assisted" applies is to receiving information about other contest operation from outside your station boundary and via something else than the contest bands and modes. It does not apply to devices or persons that help you make a bigger score. This was once clear and understood by pretty much everybody, but there is that word with all

its superfluous connotations. It really needs to be changed.

The discussion about "assisted" categories and "assistance" actually covers two completely distinct things; the first is the use of information I just described, usually from what is referred to as a "spotting network." (This is still called "packet", although the use of actual packet radio links to carry the information is rapidly disappearing in favor of Internet links.) The information itself consists of any data about the operation of another contest station, such as frequency, time, exchange, or call sign. The second thing is the use of non-human devices in support of one's operating. Mixing these two different topics in one category definition is guaranteed to make for a difficult conversation. (The additional consideration of single- versus multi-operator, I'll leave for another column.)

Confusion about the first topic can be defused by using a more appropriate title for the category. For example, "Single-Operator with Spotting Network" (SO-SN). Say what you mean and mean what you say. If an operator uses information from the spotting network, that is an SO-SN entry. If we want to be completely general and refer to the information alone - a better definition - then a more appropriate name for the category might be "Single-Operator - Connected" although the inevitable "connected to what?" arises. Nevertheless, in this category the operator is allowed to use information about the operation of other stations received from sources outside the station boundary.

Defining "assistance" from non-human devices is not quite as straightforward. After all, electronic keyers were a huge leap forward when they were introduced. A clever layout of paper dupe sheets was certainly helpful - isn't the ARRL's version, after all, called "Operating Aid Number Six"? (What happened to aids one through five and was there a seventh?) And what about computer logging?

Having been immersed in this argument for some time, it is apparent to me that the crux of the argument is technology that replaces a crucial human function - that of turning an audio stream into the information required to make a record of a contest contact. i.e. automated decoding or "copy". (Realize that the rest of this discussion must necessarily exclude radiosport using digital modes since humans are not capable of copying digital transmissions. Yes, we all have heard the story about the RTTY operator who could recognize call signs...)

At present, with the exception of CW Skimmer and the occasional code reader, there is no device in the amateur shack that turns Morse code's on-off patterns of audio tones into characters. Similarly, there is no device (outside of certain large government agencies) that reliably translates the audio of human speech into characters. Thus, we have a key, well-defined "bottleneck" through which all operation can be constrained to pass in order to qualify for a specific category. If "copy" is defined as translating audio into alphanumeric characters, then "manual copy" is a human performing the copying function. An appropriate category name for such operation might be "Single-Operator,

Manual Copy" (SO-MC) and one for which copying devices are allowed, "Single-Operator, Automated Copy" (SO-AC)

So now we have three potential categories; SO-MC, SO-AC, and SO-SN. Do we really need all three? Not really, in my opinion. The trend in contest operating is clearly to add more technology and more information. In the face of such upheaval, it's important to provide an entry category for "sail-powered radio" and the savvy salts that steer them. Almost equally important, the category names should not make value judgments about the style of operating - we're all very good at doing that ourselves, thanks. I propose the following two names for our categories: Single-Operator, Manual Class (SO-MC) and Single-Operator, Cyber Class (SO-CC).

SO-MC consists of a single human operator, receiving no information from outside a physical station boundary except on the bands and modes permitted for contest contacts and using no devices that translate the information carried by transmitted signals into the characters required for a record of the contact. Band scopes and spectrum analyzers are fine. Code readers, CW Skimmers and other automated decoders in any mode that extracts and evaluates a signal's information, speech-to-text translators, and so forth are excluded. SO-CC consists of a single human operator but no limits are placed on the information that can be used or its sources. I'm sure contest sponsors would need to refine those definitions but they are a start.

The wind-sailor and motor-boater have managed to get along for nearly 200 years, sharing waterways and devising rules of navigation that allow all to share the rights of way. Competitions are enjoyed by all for what they are. Surely we can do the same.

73, Ward N0AX

==> CONTESTS

19 January to 1 February

An expanded, downloadable version of QST's Contest Corral in PDF format <http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar> is available. Check the sponsor's Web site for information on operating time restrictions and other instructions.

HF CONTESTS

NAQCC Monthly QRP Sprint--CW, from Jan 20, 0130Z to Jan 20, 0330Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Frequencies: Monthly on 2nd Tuesday or 3rd Wednesday (alternating). Exchange: RST, S/P/C, and NAQCC mbr nr or power. Logs due: 4 days. Rules <http://home.windstream.net/yoel/>

Locust QSO Party--CW, from Jan 20, 0200Z to Jan 20, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-7. Frequencies: 3.553, 7.053. Exchange: Name, state or province or 'DX'. Logs due: Jan 31. Rules <http://www.k6vva.com/lqp>

YLISSB QSO Party--Phone, from Jan 22, 0000Z to Jan 23, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: Call sign, RS(T), ISSB number. Logs due: Mar 18. Rules <http://www.ylsystem.org/>

BARTG RTTY Sprint--Digital, from Jan 22, 1200Z to Jan 23, 1200Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: Serial. Logs due: Mar 1. Rules <http://www.bartg.org.uk/>

CQ WW 160 Meter Contest--CW, from Jan 28, 2200Z to Jan 30, 2200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8. Exchange: RST and S/P/C. Logs due: Feb 28. Rules <http://www.cq160.com/>

REF French Contest--CW, from Jan 29, 0600Z to Jan 30, 1800Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST and serial or department ID. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.ref-union.org/concours>

UBA Contest--Phone, from Jan 29, 1300Z to Jan 30, 1300Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RS, serial, and ON province. Logs due: 2 weeks. Rules <http://www.uba.be/en/hf>

Winter Field Day--Phone,CW,Digital, from Jan 29, 1700Z to Jan 30, 1700Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50+. Exchange: Call sign, RS(T), category, local temp. Logs due: Feb 28. Rules <http://www.spar-hams.org/>

WAB Top Band Phone Contest--Phone, from Jan 29, 1900Z to Jan 29, 2300Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8. Exchange: See Web site. Logs due: 21 days. Rules <http://www.worked-all-britain.co.uk/contest>

Classic Exchange--CW, from Jan 31, 1400Z to Feb 1, 0800Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50, 144, Frequencies: CW 1.810, 3.545, 7.045, 14.045, 21.135, 28.050, 50.100, 144.100 . Exchange: RST, QTH, model of rcvr and xmtr. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.classicexchange.org/>

VHF+ CONTESTS

ARRL January VHF Sweepstakes--Phone,CW, from Jan 22, 1900Z to Jan 24, 0400Z. Bands (MHz): 50+. Exchange: Grid square. Logs due: Feb 24. Rules <http://www.arrl.org/contests>

Winter Field Day--Phone,CW,Digital, from Jan 29, 1700Z to Jan 30, 1700Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50+. Exchange: Call sign, RS(T), category, local temp. Logs due: Feb 28. Rules <http://www.spar-hams.org/>

==> LOG DUE DATES

19 January to 1 February

January 19 - ARCI Holiday Spirits Homebrew Sprint <http://www.qrparci.org/content/view/8108/118/>

January 19 - RSGB 80m Club Championship, SSB <http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2011/r80mcc.shtml>

January 22 - AGB New Year Snowball Contest <http://www.qsl.net/eu1eu/agb_nysb.htm>

January 22 - North American QSO Party, CW
<http://www.ncjweb.com/naqprules.php>

January 23 - Run for the Bacon QRP Contest
<http://www.fpqrp.com/fpqrprun.php>

January 24 - DARC 10-Meter Contest
<http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/contest/10m/en/rules/>

January 25 - RAEM Contest
<http://raem.qrz.ru/contest/raem_2010/rules_eng_2010.php>

January 25 - LZ Open Contest
<http://www.lzopen.com/lz-open-contest/rules/rulesF.htm>

January 29 - North American QSO Party, SSB
<http://www.ncjweb.com/naqprules.php>

January 31 - Stew Perry Topband Challenge
<http://jzap.com/k7rat/stew.rules.txt>

January 31 - Lighthouse Christmas Lights QSO Party
<http://arlhs.com/LCL-2010-guidelines.html>

January 31 - Original QRP Contest
<http://www.qrpcc.de/contestrules/oqrpr.html>

January 31 - RAC Winter Contest
<http://www.rac.ca/en/rac/programmes/contests/files/2010_Canada_Winter_Contest_Rules_English_and_French.pdf>

January 31 - AGCW Happy New Year Contest
<http://www.agcw.org/en/?Contests:Happy_New_Year_Contest>

January 31 - NRAU-Baltic Contest, CW and SSB
<http://www.sk3bg.se/contest/nrau.htm>

January 31 - SARTG New Year RTTY Contest
<http://www.sartg.com/contest/nyrules.htm>

February 1 - International Naval Contest
<http://www.marinefunker.de/eng/show.php3?pos=15>

February 1 - Feld Hell Sprint
<http://sites.google.com/site/feldhellclub/Home/contests>

February 1 - Kid's Day Contest <http://www.arrl.org/kids-day>

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==> THE VIEW FROM THE OZARKS

Ozarks New Year's Eve Tornado Outbreak Involves SKYWARN, ARES®

The past year ended on a tragic note as killer storms swept across southwestern Missouri. At least nine tornadoes, two of which produced fatalities and numerous severe thunderstorms pounded the Missouri Ozarks over 14 hours on December 30 into New Year's Eve. The SW Missouri Regional SKYWARN Net was activated by Net Coordinator Jim Sellars, N0UAM, on the 145.49 MHz N0NWS repeater at 10:30 PM on Thursday as the first severe storms were entering into the National Weather Service (NWS) forecast area in Stone County just south of Table Rock Lake.

First responders, SKYWARN mobile intercept spotters, other SKYWARN spotters and emergency managers throughout the region provided critical reports to the NWS via Amateur Radio. Taney County Emergency Coordinator Don Birk, NA9X, and the K0EI station operating from the Stone County 911 Center provided critical real time severe weather observations from their local nets via Amateur Radio to the NWS as three severe storms that produced four tornadoes lashed the Table Rock Lake area into the early hours of New Year's Eve. Cody Hudson, KF5HLZ, observed a tornado and associated power flashes as the storm heavily damaged the condominiums and boat docks at the Indian Point area of Table Rock Lake and reported them directly into the Regional Net.

Tornadoes and severe thunderstorms continued north into Christian County where the county's ARES group was activated. Christian County Emergency Coordinator Pat Conway, WA6JGM, and his group passed information and spotter reports into the Regional Net. Conway along with Emergency Management/CERT liaison Rich Vogt, KB9YZE, assisted emergency management after a tornado caused EF-1 damage between Sparta and Fordland in the early morning hours.

Severe thunderstorms continued through the night across all of Missouri. As daybreak approached, additional super cell thunderstorms

developed and affected large areas of southwest and central Missouri, and tornadoes were reported in Polk, Pulaski, Phelps and Dent Counties including an EF-3 tornado within the sprawling Fort Leonard Wood military complex. ARES groups and emergency managers provided real time and relayed reports on the situation into the Regional SKYWARN Net. Groups in Polk, Webster, Douglas, Laclede, Pulaski, Wright and Phelps Counties tracked and reported on these dangerous storms. Texas County Emergency Coordinator Richard Wood, KB0MPO, and his group relayed their observations of the Fort Leonard Wood storm from their vantage point on the south side of the Fort in real time to the NWS enhancing the warning process and helping increase warning lead times.

Ken Baremore, W0KRB, Missouri Section Emergency Coordinator, said of the response: "Events like these prove the effectiveness of a well run SKYWARN operation. The ARES and spotter groups handled the transfer of information, data and spotter reports seamlessly as the storms crossed the various county areas of responsibility and effectively passed the information from their local nets into the regional net and then to the Weather Service." "This can only be accomplished via a coordinated and active SKYWARN and ARES organization. The weekly local and regional ARES/SKYWARN training nets help reinforce this proper reporting and coordinating of procedures."

Steve Runnels, KD4OPZ, Warning Coordination Meteorologist at the National Weather Service in Springfield, Missouri, added "The thing that struck me about this event was the amount of Amateur Radio support we received during the overnight and into the early morning hours. This proves that the Amateur Radio community is always ready. It also shows the strength of their commitment to the communities they live in and the National Weather Service's mission to protect life and property." SW Missouri SKYWARN can be heard when activated here <http://www.radioreference.com/apps/audio/?feedId=773>. - Jim Sellars, N0UAM [An additional tornado report from ARRL HQ can be found here <http://www.arrl.org/news/midwestern-hams-spot-track-tornados-as-2011-begins>.]

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==> EMCOMM BILL REINTRODUCED IN NEW CONGRESS

The Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Enhancement Act, which died at the end of the 111th Congress, has been reintroduced in the 112th Congress as HR 81 <http://www.govtrack.us/congress/bill.xpd?bill=h112-81>. The sponsor is Representative Sheila Jackson Lee (D-TX-18). The new bill -- which was introduced on January 5 -- has been referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

Rep Jackson Lee first introduced the bill -- HR 2160 <http://www.arrl.org/hr2160> -- in the 111th Congress in April 2009 <http://www.arrl.org/news/houston-representative-introduces-amateur-radio-bill-in-congress>.
It gained an additional 41 co-sponsors but did not progress out of the committee of jurisdiction. A similar bill introduced in the Senate -- S 1755 <http://www.arrl.org/news/senate-introduces-companion-bill-to-hr-2160> -- made it all the way through that body in December 2009, but likewise was not taken up by the House. The objective of the bill -- which is supported by the ARRL -- is for the Secretary of Homeland Security to study the uses and capabilities of Amateur Radio communications in emergencies and disaster relief and to identify and make recommendations regarding impediments to Amateur Radio communications, such as the effects of private land use regulations on residential antenna installations.

"We are hopeful that this early start will lead to success in the new Congress," commented ARRL Chief Executive Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ.

==> HURRICANE, EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT CONFERENCES PROVIDE NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES

Hurricane Season may seem a long way off, but it's not. It's less than six months away. Here are hurricane and emergency management conferences to attend for purposes of training and networking:

2011 National Hurricane Conference <http://www.hurricanemeeting.com/schedule.asp> - April 18-22, 2011, Hyatt Regency Hotel, Atlanta, Georgia. The ARRL is a Participating Organization.

Governor's Hurricane Conference <http://www.flghc.org/> - May 15-20, 2011, Greater Fort Lauderdale Broward County Convention Center, Florida

2011 Texas Emergency Management Conference
<http://www.txdps.state.tx.us/dem/conference/txEmerMgmtConf.htm> --
April 26-29, 2011, Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center, San Antonio,
Texas

Count on a robust Amateur Radio/ARES presence at each of these
conferences. If you are associated with any of these meetings and have
information on Amateur Radio activities to be planned, please inform
your editor K1CE for inclusion in a future issue.

==> EAST BAY ADOPTS ARES STANDARDS OF TRAINING

Over the past year, ARRL East Bay (California) Section Emergency
Coordinator Herbert Cole, AI6AT, visited many ARES groups and presented
a vision for the future of ARES within the Section. (East Bay is
comprised of Napa, Solano, Contra Costa, and Alameda Counties). Working
in cooperation with, and at the behest of Section Manager Jim Latham,
AF6AQ, the East Bay Section leadership has been focused on establishing
a section-wide ARES protocol that better leverages the talents,
resources, training, and needs of the four-county area of
responsibility.

As a result of the work that has occurred over the past year, Cole
announced that the Section is adopting uniform training standards and
credentialing requirements in cooperation with the ARRL San Francisco
Section ARES program. The purpose of this action is to enhance their
public service mission by pursuing common training and credentials that
may be employed across section boundaries, and to establish the
foundation for a robust and viable ARES Mutual Assistance Team
(ARESMAT) capability should the need ever arise.

As provided by the ARRL, the only requirements for ARES membership
continue to be a valid Amateur Radio license and a sincere desire to
serve. There will now be two levels of East Bay Section ARES
membership: Full and Associate.

Those East Bay Section ARES members who have met specific training
requirements will be designated Full ARES Members. Full ARES members
will be issued photo ID cards free of charge by the Section Manager
upon completion of all required training. The training requirements
are:

IS-100 Introduction to the Incident Command System (ICS)
<http://www.training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/IS/IS100b.asp>
IS-200 ICS for Single Resources and Initial Action Incidents
<http://www.training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/IS/IS200b.asp>
IS-700 National Incident Management System (NIMS) An Introduction
<http://www.training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/IS/is700a.asp>
EC-001 Introduction to Emergency Communications - Level 1/Basic
<http://www.arrl.org/online-course-catalog>

("IS" courses are offered on line at no charge in the FEMA Emergency
Management Institute's Independent Study Program
<http://www.training.fema.gov/IS/>. "EC" courses are offered by the

ARRL to ARRL members and non-members for a small fee. [Note that the former ARRL Emergency Communications Level 1 course is being revised and will be released as "Introduction to Emergency Communications" early this year. Check for news of availability and enrollment information on the ARRL Web site. This introductory course will provide the basic information needed to participate in ham radio public service and emcomm activities -- ed.]

Full ARES Members will also be expected to complete any training that is required by ARES served agencies. East Bay Section ARES members who have not yet met the specified training requirements will be designated Associate Members. Associate members will be issued the standard ARRL ARES ID (form FSD-224) by their ECs. ARES members must have Full ARES Member status to qualify for ARES leadership appointments and must complete the following requirements within one year of their appointments. Current leadership appointees must attain Full ARES Member status and complete the following requirements by December 31, 2011.

Emergency Coordinator (EC) and Official Emergency Station (OES) appointees:

Full ARES Member requirements plus:
IS-800 National Response Framework, An Introduction
<http://www.training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/IS/IS800b.asp>
IS-802 Emergency Support Function (ESF) #2 Communications
<http://www.training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/IS/IS802.asp>
and either of these two courses:
a. EC-002 Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course Level II*
b. EC-016 Public Service and Emergency Communications Management for Radio Amateurs <http://www.arrl.org/online-course-catalog>

Assistant District Emergency Coordinators (ADEC) appointees and above:

Full ARES Member and EC/OES requirements plus either of these two courses:
a. EC-003 Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course Level III*
b. EC-016 Public Service and Emergency Communications Management for Radio Amateurs <http://www.arrl.org/online-course-catalog>

*Courses EC-002 and EC-003 have been replaced by EC-016 and are no longer offered, but those members who have completed them may use them to meet requirements.

Cole looks forward to working with members to build their ARES program into a model for others across the country to emulate. -- Herbert Cole, AI6AT, Section Emergency Coordinator, East Bay, California [Note: All ARRL online courses (except EC-016) are currently under construction. ARRL HQ is changing platforms and will be offering courses beginning this year. Visit ARRL's Web site for updates and available courses in the future. The currently available Public Service and Emergency Communications Management for Radio Amateurs course (EC-016) will

continue to be offered online in its present format. Click here <http://www.arrl.org/ec-016-course> for more information].

==> N5FDL OPINION: THE EC'S MOST IMPORTANT JOB

What is the most important job of an ARES Emergency Coordinator? Some will say it's responding to emergencies, or writing emergency plans. Others will say it's recruiting ARES members or installing radios at served agencies. There are dozens of answers and all are important. One, however, really stands out.

What's the EC's Job #1? I say it's giving your ARES volunteers something to do on an ongoing and frequent basis. Why? Because the quickest way to lose volunteers is to not use them. This is the "use-it-or-lose-it" fitness maxim applied to another kind of muscle--volunteer power.

If you aren't regularly exercising your response capability, I'd suggest that you really don't have one. Your ARES group may look good on paper, but how will it perform in the field?

"But, we don't have many emergencies around here," I can hear you saying. Not all of us live in tornado alley, where spring days often end with SKYWARN call-outs. Hurricanes are a fact-of-life in our Gulf and Atlantic coasts and hams are part of those preparedness efforts. Earthquakes threaten our Pacific Coast, especially California. And if it's not an earthquake, it's wildfire--and hams respond to both.

However, if you don't live in a place where the big hazard is well-known and frightening enough to focus your efforts on, it may be hard to have an ongoing mission to keep your volunteers energized. If that's the case, you need to find something for your people to do. It doesn't have to be directly emergency-related, though that would certainly help.

If you are searching for activities, first make sure Amateur Radio is included in scheduled emergency drills in your area. Second, if you have Community Emergency Response Teams <http://www.citizencorps.gov/cert/> (CERT) where you live, link up with them. CERT is a natural partner for Amateur Radio and many groups do a great deal of training. As do Search-and-Rescue (SAR) teams.

The bike ride, marathon, Christmas parade, and other community events aren't emergency-related, yet provide useful training. Anything that gives you a reason to place people in the field and support them with a net is close enough to a real event to be useful. Maybe a local Scout troop could use Amateur Radio support for one of its events. My local CERT group is now providing canteen service and air bottle filling for the fire department. This is a wonderful assignment and it is being coordinated using Amateur Radio.

I haven't even mentioned ARRL events, such as Field Day <http://www.arrl.org/field-day> and the Simulated Emergency Test

<http://www.arrl.org/chapter-2-simulated-emergency-test-set>, that are intended to offer emergency communications training. And if you are out of strictly ham ideas, how about training for the Incident Command System, CPR, and advanced first aid? You can also develop your own drills and exercises, just to test various elements of your ARES emergency plan.

The point I want to make is that active, engaged volunteers are what we need. If we aren't doing something big every quarter and little things in between, our volunteer resource is not as robust as it should be. A good Emergency Coordinator must work hard to create activities to keep ARES members trained and interested. And that's the kind of ARES members that will be there--skilled and ready--when we need them.--David Coursey, N5FDL, Tracy, California [See also http://www.n5fdl.com <http://www.n5fdl.com/> - ed.]

==> EOC-TO-EOC EXERCISE THIS MONTH IN WASHINGTON STATE

Quarterly exercises are held in Washington state to promote Amateur Radio voice and data connectivity among the state's EOCs. All counties across the state are invited to participate. The Camp Murray EOC is involved in this month's state-wide exercise. (Camp Murray is located adjacent to Fort Lewis <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fort_Lewis>, Washington. It is home to the Washington National Guard <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Washington_National_Guard>, Washington State Guard <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Washington_State_Guard> and the Washington Air National Guard <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Washington_Air_National_Guard>). For this month's exercise on January 29, state-wide participants will test the capability of using simplex frequencies to contact neighboring EOCs. In addition to using simplex, they will test performance and efficiencies with an EOC that is minimally staffed and using team members located at home or some other off-site location to augment EOC communications. For Camp Murray, the goal is preparation for a scenario in which support staff is unable to travel to the Camp Murray EOC due to damaged infrastructure. The exercise mission is to contact as many stations as possible and to contact as many remote Camp Murray team members as possible.

A VHF net will be conducted with the net control station using WebEOC <http://www.esi911.com/esi/index.php> software to log who checks into the net and when they leave, as checking out of a net properly is just as important as checking in.

The use of the Winlink <http://www.winlink.org/>messaging system will also be promoted. The Camp Murray RACES station W7EMD will be minimally staffed. Many members of the team will be operating from off-site locations and will be using the tactical call of "EMD" with their assigned number after that. A call for Camp Murray may be answered by one of these stations.

For this exercise, simplex coverage will be tested. All EOCs will switch from repeaters to simplex frequencies and try to contact other EOCs. The net control stations will log information into WebEOC and the information will be available for all WebEOC users. A formal net will also run on 75 meters for coordination purposes. -- John Rader, AA7ZV, Camp Murray Station Manager, Washington State

==> LIMITED EDITION ARES 75TH ANNIVERSARY PATCHES AVAILABLE

The ARRL has agreed to permit the League's West Gulf Division officials to produce a limited number of ARES 75th Anniversary patches. The magic word is "limited." One production of the patches will be run. Once the patches are sold, no more will be permitted to be produced. The ARRL has not produced and does not intend to produce any 75th Anniversary patches. So the only Anniversary patches that will ever exist, will be the ones produced in this run.

The patches will be 3.5" in diameter, in full color and will have the blue 75th Anniversary banner at the bottom of the patch. Click here to order <http://www.tarefund.org/anniversarypatch.htm> and pay through PayPal or download an order form and mail the order form with a check to the address on the order form. Delivery will be January/February. -- John Robert Stratton, N5AUS, ARRL West Gulf Division Vice Director

==> SAN DIEGO SEARCHES FOR ARES TRAINING OFFICER

The ARRL San Diego Section is looking for an ARES Training Officer. This position will be immediately responsible for coordinating the ARES training program. Emphasis will be on preparing to provide emergency communications for various agencies. Standard training topics will be covered: Personal Conduct, National Incident Management System (NIMS), Message Handling, Basic Radio Fundamentals, Operations, and Safety. Some specialty training will also be coordinated, such as First Aid/CPR, HIPAA <http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/privacy/>, Hospital Orientation, Web EOC <http://www.esi911.com/esi/index.php>, Driver Safety, Wild Fire Safety Training and CERT Topics. Persons interested in this responsibility should contact Steve Early, AD6VI <ad6vi@arrl.org>, or attend the monthly ARES meeting at Scripps Memorial Hospital. Click here <http://www.sdgares.net/> for more info. -- Steve Early, AD6VI, San Diego Section Manager

==> MISSOURI SEC CHANGES

Dale Bagley, K0KY, Missouri Section Manager, has announced with regret that Dennis Gedeon, KB0NHW, has stepped down from the post of Section Emergency Coordinator. "Gedeon served as SEC for over two years and accomplished much during that time," said Bagley. He appointed more than 60 ARRL members to ARES leadership positions by encouraging an increase in participation by all ARES personnel, and by promoting the training of the membership. Bagley thanked Gedeon for his excellent service to the Amateur Radio emcomm community in Missouri as SEC.

Bagley has nominated Kenneth Baremore, W0KRB, of Battlefield, Missouri, to serve as the new SEC: "Baremore is an excellent candidate owing to

his outstanding record as District "D" District Emergency Coordinator and EC for Green County. Bagley said he was impressed with Baremore for many years observing his ARES meetings/forums presented during numerous hamfests. Bagley said he believed that Baremore has "great ability and knowledge that will serve him and the Missouri Section ARES well as he takes the reins as SEC."

==> MICHIGAN GROUP HONORS ONE OF ITS OWN

The Muskegon County Emergency Communication Services <http://www.mcecs.net/>, Inc. a local non-profit amateur radio group involved in emergency communications in Muskegon County, Michigan has awarded James Meyers, KC8PCJ, the "Al Ronning Outstanding Service Award." The award is given each December to a member of the group that has gone above and beyond the call of duty to the organization. This recognition is given in memory of Al Ronning, K8AER, who was an inspiration to other members of the group in his tireless effort in public service. Ronning was a member of the group that died in an automobile crash in December 2006. James Duram, K8COP, Emergency Coordinator for Muskegon County, awarded the plaque to Meyers at their December meeting.

==> LETTERS: AUTOMATING ICS-213 FORMS

I have been working with John Blowski, KB2SCS, on a program to somewhat automate the ICS-213 form. Blowski has developed a 213 program that when run, gives users an on-screen 213 form to fill out. The user can then select to e-mail it. The program then takes the user through a SAVE and an E-MAIL ADDRESS block and opens the user's e-mail client, which can then be used for Winlink, allowing for pasting the form information in as text ready to send.

Another feature lets the user alternatively send it as an attachment. If the receiving end user is also running the program, it can be opened and then printed. I think many might find this a very helpful program with emcomm groups using Winlink e-mail functionality. Click here <http://www.qsl.net/kb2scs/radioics-213.html> for more information. -- John Galvin, N5TIM <http://www.n5tim.info/>, Allen, Texas

==> TRAINING: WHAT IS THE INCIDENT COMMAND SYSTEM?

The Incident Command System (ICS) is a standardized approach to incident management that:

- Enables a coordinated response among various jurisdictions and agencies.
- Establishes common processes for planning and managing resources.
- Allows for the integration of facilities, equipment, personnel, procedures, and communications operating within a common organizational structure.

The National Incident Management System (NIMS) provides a systematic, proactive approach to guide departments and agencies at all levels of

government, nongovernmental organizations, and the private sector to work seamlessly to prevent, protect against, respond to, recover from, and mitigate the effects of incidents, regardless of cause, size, location, or complexity, in order to reduce the loss of life and property and harm to the environment.

The National Response Framework (NRF) is a guide to how the Nation conducts all-hazards response - from the smallest incident to the largest catastrophe. This key document establishes a comprehensive, national, all-hazards approach to domestic incident response. The Framework identifies the key response principles, roles, and structures that organize national response. It describes how communities, States, the Federal Government, and private-sector and nongovernmental partners apply these principles for a coordinated, effective national response. -- FEMA <http://www.training.fema.gov/>

==> EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS ADVISORY COMMITTEE ROSTER

The ARRL ECAC (Emergency Communications Advisory Committee) was established at the January 2010 Board of Directors meeting to provide the Board with expert advice on emcomm policy issues facing the League. Each of the 15 ARRL Divisions has a representative on the ECAC. There is also a representative from Radio Amateurs Canada, a Board of Directors liaison, HQ staff liaison, and administrative liaison.

The following committee members are exceptionally qualified and recognized members of the emergency communications community. The committee reports to the Board's Programs and Services Committee. The activities of the committee are limited to studies of emergency communications issues that are national in scope. Here are your representatives by ARRL Division:

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==> NORTH CAROLINA AREA 11 DEC APPOINTS NEW EMERGENCY COORDINATOR

North Carolina ARES Area 11 District Emergency Coordinator (DEC) Gary Lang, K4GHL, recently announced the appointment of Jared Gohlke, KJ4WWG, to the position of Rowan County EC.

Gohlke, a 10 year resident of Kannapolis, North Carolina, is a certified Law Enforcement Officer with over nine years on the job working for the Kannapolis Police Department. He is a certified traffic crash reconstructionist, field training officer and a radar operator. He is a member of both Rowan and Cabarrus Amateur Radio Clubs.

Rowan County ARES consists of many members of the Rowan County Amateur Radio Society who assist not only local government entities but other non-governmental agencies as well, including the EH Dole Red Cross chapter and the United Way of Rowan County.

Rowan County ARES operations are not limited to communications support for government agencies, but also historically assist with bicycle races, foot races, and other general public events where radio communications are needed. Rowan County ARES holds a weekly on air training net on the N4UH repeater. More information here <http://www.rowancares.org>. -- Gary H. Lang, K4GHL, North Carolina ARES Area 11 District Emergency Coordinator

==> NEIGHBORHOOD DISASTER TABLETOP EXERCISES FOR CERTS, NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH PROGRAMS

A team of national, regional and state organizations invites Community Emergency Response Teams (CERT) and Neighborhood Watch programs along with Neighborhood Associations to participate in one of the scheduled disaster tabletop exercises being facilitated via the Internet.

These exercises have been designed specifically for organizations that work to support the disaster caused needs of community and neighborhood residents during and following a disaster. By participating in one or several of these exercises you will be able to assess your organization's existing disaster response capabilities. There is NO CHARGE for participation in any of the exercises. Six distinctive exercise scenarios are available:

- Earthquake
- Flood
- Hurricane
- Influenza Pandemic
- Tornado
- Wildfire

For additional information and registration click here <http://www.drc-group.com/project/footprint.html>. -- submitted by James Burrough, N5DTT, Bellaire, Texas [I have not vetted this program other than briefly assessing its Web site, but it looks like it is worth considering for exercise opportunities for ARES groups. Feedback would be welcomed. -- K1CE]

==> TIPS

Possible Solution for ARES Call-Up Tree

Here is a possible solution for ARES leadership needing a phone tree service for alerts and warnings: The One Call Now™ phone message service <http://www.onecallnow.com/Default.aspx?gclid=CN2tqIX9waYCFUJm7Aod4l0xIw>. According to its Web site, it "delivers automated phone calls, within minutes, to any group, large or small. Schools, congregations, sports teams, businesses and municipalities throughout the country rely on us

for routine reminders and emergency notifications. Our multi-dimensional and multi-lingual emergency notification service delivers your messages via voice, text to speech, SMS text, and e-mail."

Although I haven't personally tested the service, it might be worth considering for your group -- K1CE

How To Use a DSTAR Reflector

There is a good discussion of how to use a DSTAR Reflector System here <http://nefl-dstar.com/blog/2011/01/13/2559/>, courtesy of the Northeast Florida DSTAR Repeater Network

==> K1CE FOR A FINAL

I quickly fulfilled one of my New Year's Resolutions by becoming a proud ARRL Life Member this month! I have no idea why it it took so long to do it, having been a member of the League since 1976, but I am glad I finally took the plunge. See you next month! 73, Rick K1CE

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55. MMMonVHF Newsletter 2011-01-20

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-20 08:37:26 UTC
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Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our lastet NEWSLETTER of the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2011-01-20
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter one or two times per week.
For further detail please be so kind and refer at our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - welcome and enjoy ...

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
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L A S T C A L L - T O D A Y

** MMMonVHF Trophy: "Best VHF DX Expedition" of the Year 2010 **

As in the past years, as well the VHF DX Portal MMMonVHF start
to find the "Best VHF DX Expedition of the Year 2010". The best
expedition on 144 MHZ in the sector MS and/or EME will be voted
in the first 3 weeks of january 2011 as past years: Voting
is open from 01.01.2011 00:00UTC till 20.01.2011 23:59UTC
Direct Link to the VOTING PAGE:

http: Voting Page: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/dxvote.php

PS: The VOTING will of course only include Expeditions which was
spread out on the 2010 LATEST NEWS at Make More Miles on VHF!
So hurry up, you have time until TONIGHT 2359 UTC !!!
If you interesting to see the results of past year:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/trophy2009.php
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/trophy2008.php
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/trophy2007.php
SOURCE: Jani, HA5CRX on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: FG ; Square: FK96 ; ENDED **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3447

Guadeloupe Island (French Antillas, FK96HF) was qrv on 144 MHz
EME since 2010 dec. 29th. LATEST NEWS, from Phil, dated 19th:

hi all - A pack of QSLs has arrived already. A new page has been added to the web site of the expedition to follow the QSL status. You can check if yours is arrived and you will follow their delivery during february. - 73 QRO - Link to Philï¿½s Page: http://fgdxpeditionf1duz.monsite-orange.fr/index.html
SOURCE: tnx to Phil, F1DUZ direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: FK8/YJ ; Square: RG37/RH42 ; Start: 2011-01-16 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3638
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3639

Hermann, DL2NUD, will be on EME-Tour again in begin of the year 2011. That time he is acompanied by Stefan,DL9GRE, who will be qrv on HF. 1st goal these time will be FK8 (New Caledonia), Grid RG37 - later he will change QTH to YJ (Vanuatu), Grid RH42 LATEST NEWS from Hermann, DL2NUD dated 2011-01-19: Hermann is faced with the next problem! The equipment is already over one week at FK8 but he is not able to get it out from the customs! Since he arrived at New Caledonia he is day by day there and try his best! Maybe his timetable will be changed due to that circumstances later. SOURCE: Hermann, DL2NUD, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: VK ; Square: QE48 ; Start: 2011-01-23 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3671

Rare Square Activation - QE48 / Rex VK7MO has asked me to pass on the news that he will be active on Mt Poimena (QE48) in north-eastern Tasmania this Sunday 23/1 from about 11am local time. The coords of Mt Poimena are 41.198734S 148.012078E. Rex will have 2m 70cm, 23cm and 10GHz and will also, of course, be able to run JT65 on any of those bands, if required. The operation will require lugging equipment and generator up a 600m path to the summit, so it is unlikely to be repeated anytime soon. Rex will be in mobile range and should also be available on the VK Logger.
SOURCE: Dave, VK3HZ via [VK-VHF]

** DXCC: OZ ; Square: JO45 ; Start: 2011-061-11 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3662

The Scout-Amateur-Radio-Station OZ1RDP (JO45GC) will be qrv again in June 2011. Timeframe: 11.6 - 13.6.2011 Loc.: JO45GC QRGs: 3,5 - 144 Mhz - 144 MHz Equipment: EME and MS testing /p 14ele XP DF7KF - http://www.df7kf.de/144x28/ H or V or CPRH or some POL (http://www.df7kf.de/RX_PHASE.pdf) Tx CPLH TenTec 526 and RX Tentec 526 Beko 1500W ... more later ...
SOURCE: tnx to Carsten, DM1CG, dircet to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** Working K5QE (EM31CJ) in the ARRL VHF Contest **

Hello to everyone in the EME community. This year, the ARRL
January VHF Contest will be held Jan 22nd and 23rd. We want to
work as many EME stations on 2M and 432 as possible to increase
our grid count. Please help us with this event by working us on
JT65b or CW. Thank you very much. Read all about the Contest
activity in details at: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3672
SOURCE: tnx to Marshall, K5QE, direct to MMMonVHF

** KL7AA (BP51) qrv in the ARRL VHF Contest **

Running new EME stn at KL7AA Club site (BP51BE)
Active primarily 144mhz after 0800z 23jan2010.
SOURCE: tnx to Eric N6SPP/KL7 direct to MMMonVHF

** KB7Q/7 QRV from WY and ND on 6m EME? **

Hi Lance, I'm up to put ND and WY on 6M EME this summer - it would
be nice to know how much interest there is. It looks like early June
and then early July are the best windows, from what I quick run of
GJTracker tells me. I might just spring for a bigger Yagi too. Good
going on all the new EME contacts and the potential for more! Just
keep that freezing rain away! The weather is global warming crazy
Today Bozeman is 44 degrees and swampy - go figure. Anyhow, let the
EU boys know that I'm good for ND/WY this summer if I get enough
interest. and on we go...
SOURCE: Gene, KB7Q, via Lance, W7GJ, EME Magic-Band Reflector

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** 6M EME TF3CY (HP94AD) QRV 20-23jan 2011 **

Hi all, I will be with my portable setup on a pretty good spot
during next low degradation period on 6m EME. Setup is limited
to wind ï¿½ and the forecast is bit iffy for the Tuesday/Friday ï¿½
but showing pretty calm weather for late Friday and sat/sun. So,
my aim is to get as many QSOï¿½s as possible ï¿½ and to give you TF
in the log ;) Read about the LOG and more details at our NEWS:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3665
SOURCE: Benni, TF3CY, via Lance, W7GJ, EME Magic-Band Reflector

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** M & M EME DXpedition 2011 **

Gents, glad to announce that the M & M - team will be on the road(?)
again for another multiband moonbounce DXpedition from May 28th to
June 5th 2011. The activity will cover the 23cm DUBUS contest, as in
previous years. The destination will not be disclosed in advance,
but it will be an interesting location with a hard to get license...
So keep this time frame free from other commitments, which might
keep you from giving us a shout off the rock. 73 de M & M
SOURCE: Michael, DL1YMK via MoonNet

** Guam Island, KH2, qrv HF and 50 MHz **

I am happy to know my friend's information making a trip to Guam
Is., KH2. Please post this to your news below. Nobu JR3STX and
Take JS6RRR will operate in the field of Guam(OC-026, CQ-27,ITU-64)
from Nobu as W3STX/KH2 and Take as KH2/JS6RRR IOTA OC-026, (ZONE:
CQ 27 ITU 64) from FEB 2011 22:00Z through 15 FEB 2011 03:00Z on
160 through 6m, SSB/CW/FM/RTTY/PSK31. QSL to W3STX via JR3STX and
KH2/JS6RRR via JS6RRR by the BURO or SASE,direct. See QRZ.com
database. Contact information e-mail to JS6RRR"at"jarl.com
SOURCE: tnx to Frank, DL8YHR direct to MMMonVHF

** Maya Beach, Placencia, V3, qrv HF and 50 MHz **

Darren, VA3EGG, will be on as V31DI this month (no exact date) on
Maya Beach, Placencia, using 160 through 6 m, mainly 6, 20 and 40m
on SSB. QSL via home call, "direct only".
SOURCE: [DXNL] DXNL 1710 (Dec 12, 2011)

** IOTA Activity of PR2R from SA-024 **

Members of the Sï¿½o Paulo Association of Radioamadores (APRE) along
with some guest operators will be active as PR2R from Ilha Comprida
(Comprida Island; DIB SP03), located in the southern state of Sao
Paulo, between January 28-30th. Activity will be on 80/40/20/15/10
/6/2 meters. Operators mentioned are: Paulo/PY2ZZ, Euclides/PY2EV,
Claudio/PY3NZ, Cristiano/PY3UK, Ronan/PY2RAR, Marcelo/PY2OX,
Filipe/PU2TEA and Rafael/PU2RFS. QSL via Manager PY2OP ,
(see QRZ.com for details. The activation of this island
corresponds to a project of more complex dimensions that consist
of placing on the air all blockhouses, islands and lighthouses of
the State of Sao Paulo. More detailed information will be
available soon at: http://www.apre.com.br
SOURCE: tnx to Bill, NG3K via Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #994

** FJ, ST. BARTHELEMY qrv HF and 50 MHz in May **

Wim, OS1T/ON4CIT, will be active as FJ/OS1T from St. Barthelemy Island (NA-146, DIFO FJ-001, WLOTA LH-0377) between May 14-22nd. Activity will be on 40-6 meters using mainly SSB and RTTY.
The suggested frequencies are:
SSB - 7072, 14192, 18132, 21292, 24972, 28492 and 50115 kHz
RTTY - 7042, 10142, 18102, 21082, 24922 and 28082 kHz
QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct (see QRZ.com)
Visit his FJ/OS1T Web page at:
http://on4cit.webs.com/fjos1texpedition2011.htm
SOURCE: [DX-ENG] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #994

** Activity on HF and 50 MHz in April from T31 **

The expected QRV dates for the upcoming T31A DXpedition to Kanton Island (Central Kiribati, OC-043) [425DXN 1015] are 18-28 April. An international team of twelve operators (namely EA1IR, K6ZH, N1EMC, N6HC, N7CQQ, N7CW, N9NS, UX2HO, W2IJ, W6KK, W9IXX and YT1AD) will be active on 160-6 metres SSB, CW and RTTY from two operating sites. Two team members will arrive in Apia on 6 April to inspect the equipment shipped from California and operate from 5W as time allows. The entire team will leave Apia on the 13th, and sail approximately four days. QSL via W2IJ, direct or bureau. Further information can be found at www.t31a.com
SOURCE: [425ENG] 425 DX News #1028

** JX, JAN MAYEN qrv HF and 50 MHz in July **

The Jan Mayen DXpedition set between July 6-14th, 2011 and led by Stan, SQ8X, has announced their group callsign will be JX7VPA. Currently, the team consists of: Stan/SQ8X (team leader), Pete/ SQ9DIE, Vicky/SV2KBS, Decan/EI6FR, Leszek/NI1L, Tomek/SQ9C, Bernie/HB9ASZ, Pekka/OH2TA and Deon/K6WH Deon. The group plans to be on the air for 8 days with 2-3 stations. Stan also states, "Due to polar summer season at Jan Mayen Island with broad daylight 24/7 the team will not operate on 160-80 meters ? those bands will be totally dead at that time. The DXpedition will focus on 30-6 m. and our main modes will be CW and RTTY/PSK, with some SSB if conditions will be good enough to operate as much as we wish to. The team will also check conditions on the 40m band, but the band may also be not usable at that time of the year. The team will have a professional TV crew on board that will prepare a broadcast documentary about the project and the island." Updated details such as operators and QSL route will be available soon on the following Web page (currently under construction) at:
http://janmayen2011.org SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #994

** Southeastern Division Convention (Orlando HamCation) **

Florida Weak Signal Society Meeting 1-3 PM on Saturday, 2/12/2011
See all the latest in Amateur Radio Gear at the 2nd largest
Hamfest in the Americas. Start Date: 02/11/2011 - End Date:
02/13/2011 Location: Central Florida Fairgrounds 4603 West Colonial
Drive (SR-50) Orlando, FL 32801 Website: http://www.hamcation.com
Sponsor: Orlando Amateur Radio Club Type: ARRL Convention
Talk-In: 146.760(-) no tone during HamCation; 146.820 D-Star
Public Contact: Bob Cumming, W2BZY PO Box 547811 Orlando, FL 32854
Phone: 407-333-0690 Email: info"at"hamcation.com
SOURCE: tnx to W2BZY direct to MMMonVHF

** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next thursday 2359 UTC ...

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** Many thanks to all our USER who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/kontact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY & PA4EME

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56. WIANEWS FOR WEEK COMMENCING JAN 23 2011

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Date: 2011-01-20 09:15:36 UTC
From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
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Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2011-01-23.mp3
Text edition:

WIANEWS - JAN 23 - VK NATIONAL NEWS

THE BEST NEWS YOU'LL GET ALL WEEK

Oh... and to contact us with your news because
If It Matters To You It Matters To Us!

email nationalnews@wia.org.au

http://www.wia.org.au (click news in member area) Submit your audio news

Please.. If you are only submitting text and not audio, write your story as
you would expect to hear it being read back and NEVER send just links & url's.

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ALL THESE STORIES UP AND COMING IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS
INSTITUTE OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING JANUARY 23 2011.

Commercial radio recognised in VK2 for emergency services info.

Chief executive officer of Commercial Radio Australia, Joan Warner has
welcomed the signing of a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with the
NSW Government, making commercial radio stations official providers of
emergency services information.

Ms Warner said the NSW MOU follows a similar arrangement with the Victorian, South Australian and Queensland Governments.

"The industry has argued for some time for commercial radio to be included and promoted as an official provider of information in emergencies, along with the ABC.

COPPER THIEVES FOIL COPPERS.

A major power failure caused rail delays on Victoria's Belgrave line, the cause was the theft of copper wire near Upper Ferntree Gully Station early in the morning, down by the station.

A unknown length of copper wire was dug out of the ground and cut free by thieves, this then cut power to the signalling system at Upper Ferntree Gully.

Trains between Upper Ferntree Gully and were replaced by buses until normal service could be resumed about 8.30am.

WIA
President Michael Owen VK3KI president@wia.org.au
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Secretary Geoff Atkinson VK3AFA secretary@wia.org.au
Treasurer John Longayroux VK3PZ vk3pz@wia.org.au

22nd December last year the WIA advised that the ACMA had made amendments to the Amateur Licence Conditions Determination (LCD) and the Visiting Overseas Amateur Class Licence.

The WIA has now placed the consolidated versions of these amendments, for easier reading. Follow wia.org.au to Members/Legislation

All amateurs must make themselves aware of their licence conditions to avoid that "knock" on the door from ACMA Inspectors.

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news

Unknown 53.575mhz heard in Townsville

Mystery broadcast is coming from Snowy Mountains Amateur Radio Club On VK2RSM 6 meter repeater,

Signal reports have come in from VK2, VK3, VK4, VK5 and one VK9!

Plans to re-broadcast WIA National news latter this year on 2 meters.
Two new 2 meter repeaters, linking into their existing 2 meter repeater.

The new ones are in the Jindabyne area and Nimmitebel / Bomballa area this should give the southern NSW a greater ham coverage.

If any more info needed pls contact:-

Fred Staples

fred@highcountrycommunications.com.au

Next Sunday, the 30 th, will be the first Trash and Treasure at VK2WI Dural for this year. From about 0930 hours. Boot sales most welcome. The Home Brew Group will meet as usual in the afternoon with a technical presentation about designing and building HF transmitters and receivers. Exam assessments will be available in the morning. Next month at the Central Coast Hamfest - there will also be exam assessments.

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/
VKC Roundup http://www.police

February 4th, EMDRC's meeting in the Willis Room will be "Magnetic Loop Antenna's".
Dieter Pelz VK3FFB will explain all there is to know re HF Magnetic Loops.

(emdrc news)

Feb 14th the Annual Luncheon of the 160 Mtr Coffee Break Net Group will be In the Bistro at the Mountain View Hotel 186 Springvale Rd, Glen Waverley, Victoria.

All amateurs with an interest in 160 mts are welcome

Please RSVP to John VK3DQ@wia.org.au
by Friday 11th February

(www.mountainviewhotel.com.au)

This is a final call to commercial traders, Club Corner participants and second-hand sellers.

Time is quickly running out to be part of Centre Victoria RadioFest No. 4.

All is ready for the major event in Victoria.

Features this year are the DXpedition, yet to be held, light beam communications, emergency communications on display, heads up on the IARU-Region 3 Championships as well as the Bendigo Astronomical Society gazing at the solar surface.

See you at the Centre Victoria RadioFest, Kyneton Racecourse, just an hour from Bendigo, Ballarat and Melbourne.

Sunday the 13th February.

I'm Bruce Lees, VK3FFF and you're tuned to VK1WIA

VK4 - QNEWS
web service local audio news:- www.wiaq.com/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
local news email qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
VKR Roundup http://www.police.qld.gov.au/News+and+Alerts/Media+Releases/

The floods in Queensland have subsided, and the cleanup continues.

At its auction today 23rd January, the Historical Wireless Society of South East Queensland Inc will have on offer seven 1920s radios that have been donated to the Club.

Proceeds from these items will go to the Queensland Premier's Flood Relief Fund.

Cementco Bowls Club, Darra Q4076, 10am.

TARC does Australia Day this Wednesday

Get out your corked hats and throwing thongs - TARC will be out in the field for Australia Day (provided the venue does not get too aquatic) at the famous Loam Island ARDF Grounds and Shelter from 11-30am this Wednesday January 26th.

BYO everything and engage in aussie fun and mirth - and even do some radio things too ! Bring the family, bring the lagerphone, bring the esky but don't bring the mozzies !

VK7
local area news :- http://reast.asn.au/news.php
vk7 local news, email vk7regionalnews-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

REAST Annual General Meeting for 2011 will be held on 20 February starting at 11am in the Queen's Domain Clubrooms.

It will be followed by a BYO BBQ with a hot BBQ plate and tea and coffee available.

Ever thought about contributing more to YOUR club?

Well this is your chance and stand for a committee position. Nomination forms can be found on the REAST website and they have to be with the Secretary by the 5th February 2011.

http://reast.asn.au/events.php#AGM

(REAST Committee)

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART and the WW sources of the WIA.

Theft puts GB3JB off air

GB3JB, the 2m repeater located on the borders of Wiltshire, Somerset and Dorset, was powered by wind and solar power. The solar panel has been stolen from the site and so GB3JB was switched off on 3rd January.

The repeater keeper will be checking the site for damage to the batteries or the wind turbine.

The YASME Foundation supports the development and promotion of Amateur Radio around the world.

The YASME Excellence Awards are given to individuals who through their own service, creativity, effort and dedication have made a significant contribution to the cause of Amateur Radio.

Now we learn that a Canadian Amateur has won an YASME award, Alex VE3NEA for developing DX Atlas, Morse Runner, HAM-CAP, CW Skimmer, Rocky and other innovative software.

Alex's products are making a remarkable impact on the competitive HF operating environment. Making this software available to the amateur community at little or no cost demonstrates excellent ham spirit.

10 YEAR OLD DISCOVERS SUPERNOVA

Kathryn Gray, of Fredericton, New Brunswick, Canada, made her discovery this past New Year's Eve. This, after noticing what was later determined to be a magnitude 17 supernova, or exploding star.

The supernova took place in the distant galaxy known as UGC 3378 which is about 240 million light years away from Earth. The Royal Astronomical Society of Canada says that at age 10, Kathryn is definitely the youngest person ever to make such a discovery. A finding which has since been verified by amateur astronomers in Illinois and Arizona. It also has been reported to and confirmed by the International Astronomical Union.

The last known supernova in our galaxy occurred several hundred years ago.

The new one discovered by Kathryn has been named 2010LT.

ALLEGED HONEYBEE SHOOTER WAS A HAM

A ham believed to be the so called possible 'honeybee' shooter is dead.

KC9AWD, was shot with his own gun while apparently trying to rob an Illinois tanning salon.

Last October, three men were shot, one fatally, near the Illinois-Indiana border. The shootings appeared entirely random. One victim, a farmer, had a conversation with the shooter about honeybees before he was shot, earning the killer his nickname of the honeybee shooter.

An unnamed family friend alleges, KC9AWD showed no earlier signs of violence. But something apparently changed in the man from tiny downstate Rankin, Illinois this past summer after he lost his job at a Milford trucking company. By October, when the "honeybee" shootings started, he had cut off ties with even his closest friends.

Charlotte AM station ready in case of terrorist attack

WBT-AM (1110) in south Charlotte, North Carolina, is one of a dozen US commercial stations fitted out by the US government with an underground studio and transmitter, and a generator with 30-day fuel supply, designed to withstand a nuclear or terrorist attack.

WBT was selected because it reaches both of the Carolinas. At night, its 50,000-watt signal arcs like a blowtorch [sic] across the East from Canada to Cuba.

The installation is a result of Executive Order 13407, issued in 2006 by President George W Bush, which called on the Department of Homeland Security

to develop "a comprehensive system to alert and warn the American people in situations of war, terrorist attack, natural disaster or other hazards - and ensure that under all conditions the president can communicate with the American people."

Read the full story from the SunNews.com

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

ITALIAN REPEATERS ALLEGED TO BE INTERFERING WITH HAMSATS

According to a report in the Southgate News, both F-M and D-Star repeaters in Italy are showing up in the Amateur Satellite segment 145.8 from 146.0 MHz.

These machines are said to be government approved by Italy's Communications Regulatory Authority and are causing considerable interference to amateur radio satellites and the International Space Station contacts

Some of the Italian repeaters identified in the article as operating in the 2 meter Amateur Satellite allocation are said to include F-M machine IRE0CK on 145.85 MHz plus D-Star systems IR3UEF on 145.8 MHz and IR0CD on 145.975 MHz.

The Southgate story says that it would appear that Italy's telecommunications regulator permits repeaters anywhere within the 2 meter band on a provisional basis for 60 days. Authorization may become permanent if no complaints are received. The article calls on hams worldwide to make sure that the Italian telecommunications regulatory body is made aware of any problems.

This is not the first time that there have been interlopers into the ham satellite spectrum. Over the years there have been numerous reports of terrestrial business communications using these frequencies and eventually disappearing. Most of these reports came out of third world developing nations.

The situation in Italy will be quite different if its proven that the repeaters alleged to be interfering with ham radio space operations have government approval to do so.

The Complete story of this repeater versus ham radio satellite interference is on-line at tinyurl.com/497bag7.

The website for Italy's Italy Communications Regulatory Authority in the Italian language is www2 dot agcom dot it. And we will have more ham radio space related news later on in this weeks Amateur radio Newsline report. (Southgate)

N6R TO CELEBRATE FORMER PRESIDENT REAGAN'S 100th BIRTHDAY

To celebrate what would have been former President Ronald Reagan's 100th Birthday, the Ventura County Amateur Radio Society will activate Special Events Station "N6R" from Thousand Oaks, California. This, from Saturday, February 5th through Monday, February 7th.

And for those not aware, the special N6R callsign has been used for many years in a multi-club Field Day operation from the grounds of the Ronald Reagan

Presidential Library and Museum which is located in Simi Valley, California.

MISSISSIPPI JAILS TO EXPAND INMATE CELLPHONE BLOCKING

Mississippi corrections officials say a new inmate phone-block system has worked so well at the Parchman penitentiary they will expand it to other state prisons.

Corrections Commissioner Christopher Epps told The Clarion-Ledger newspaper that the use of the technology has blocked more than 600,000 unauthorized texts and cell-phone calls originating inside Parchman since August.

Last fall, the state Department of Corrections announced it had signed a contract with its telecommunications provider for a program designed to immobilize illegal cell phones used by inmates at the Parchman prison.

Epps said the system stops cell transmissions in defined areas from being completed but does permit specifically authorized and 911 emergency calls.

Since 2007, officials said, more than 8,700 cell phones have been confiscated at Mississippi jails and prisons.

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RSGB NEWS FROM G4NJH

Cadets' usage of 5MHz WSPR clarified

Non-amateur cadet stations have been getting long-distance reports of their 5MHz transmissions using the amateur Weak Signal Propagation Reporting network but problems have arisen with their unusual callsign formats.

Consultation between the RSGB 5MHz working group and the cadet organisations has resolved these.

CCF, ACF and ATC cadets are permitted to communicate with amateurs on the 5MHz channels and some have been trying the WSPR mode on 5,288.5kHz. A large number of amateur stations worldwide monitor this frequency and report the signals heard via the wsprnet.org website. However, the WSPR transmission format is only capable of coding regular amateur callsigns of the prefix, digit, suffix format, but the cadet callsigns are not in this form. After some initial trials by cadets it was clear that any ad-hoc modification of cadet callsigns could cause trouble.

To avoid the possibility of misleading or confusing callsigns being seen on WSPR, the RSGB 5MHz working group has suggested that the cadets modify their callsigns by transposing the digits and the letters in the cadet callsign and in some cases adding an initial letter M. This creates a dummy amateur callsign in the form M89X or M89YZ. The cadet organisations have agreed to implement this suggestion, which will make it possible to correctly identify transmissions from these cadet stations.

OPERATIONAL NEWS -

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2011

Jan 1-31 WIA ROSS HULL MEMORIAL VHF/UHF

Mar 19-20 WIA John Moyle Field Day weekend

Apr 30 WW Marconi Day 2011 www.gb4imd.org.uk in due

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, REPEATER BEACON DX AND NET ADVICE
hf nets ON the net, www.timroberts-vk4yeh.id.au/

22nd anniversary Ann Renton Memorial Net this Tuesday

One of the friendliest radio nets in the land happens Tuesday evenings from 7-30pm on the Townsville VHF Repeater ... the Ann Renton Memorial Ladies Net!

It is the 22nd anniversary of the establishment of the Townsville Ladies Net, so make sure you are on air to help celebrate this fantastic event!

The Tassie Trout Award is awarded for "kilograms of trout" or points from contacts made with Central Highlands Amateur Radio Club of Tasmania members.

The Club callsign gains you 3kg of trout, the President, 2kg, etc.

Once you have 14kg of trout you can claim the basic award,
25kg - gold award and 50kg - platinum award.

http://www.qsl.net/charct/award.htm

ALARA AWARD

The aim is to score 10 points to qualify for the Award.

This Award is available to YLs, OMs and SWLs contacting ALARA members on or after 1st July 2006.

Scoring VK/ZL: 10 contacts, including 4 Australian call areas.

DX: 5 contacts, including 3 Australian call areas.

All contacts must be made from the same call area.

Special endorsements available for Mixed, CW, Phone, 28MHz, etc.

To find out more Google ALARA or contact Kathy, VK3XBA

kathyg@spacelink.com.au

Diego, LU8DIP will be on various South Shetland Islands from now to the middle of March as LU8DIP/Z and LU1ZS on Base Teniente Camara Half Moon Island.
QSL via LU4DXU.

INTRUDER WATCH - ENFORCEMENT ZONE

Pirate active again in the CW section of 40 Meters

A station has been heard over the last 2 or 3 weeks, 7008 to 7010 last worked 14th Jan @ 1442z 7010.

Please report any unusual activity or better capture a 20 second MP3 audio file and post it to IntruderWatch@googlegroups.com

We need to catch this person so please help us out

Phillip ZL2TZE (ZLDXC List Owner)

MEDIA WATCH
www.cq-amateur-radio.com/WorldRadio.html
VK Club Bulletins http://groups.yahoo.com/group/aarnie/

The Flyleaf Killer (Novel)

A bright and sprightly 80-year old has produced a most unusual psychological thriller, the author Bill G 0 EOL.

A hard bound book and without spoiling the plot, I think that if you were ever bullied at school and wished you had a big brother or some other way of taking revenge - you'll find Bill's book exciting but disturbing reading - but not just before bedtime!

If you enjoy tense, psychological themes - you'll really enjoy G 0 EOL's murderous plot!

For further information contact billg0eol@o2.co.uk

(SouthGate)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ATV (Every pixel tells a story) - Video
arvideonews.com
hamradiotube.com
youtube.com
qdg.org.au

If you've ever wanted a way to show the world how exciting Amateur Radio can be, here's your chance:

The ARRL is sponsoring its first-ever video contest.

ARRL are looking for ARRL members to shoot and submit videos that showcase how fun and electrifying our hobby is; extra points will be awarded for a video showing someone, young or old, licensed or not, making their first contact.

The video author/producer must be an ARRL member however, the people who appear in your video can be non-members.

This contest is intended for AMATEUR videographers.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FEMALES IN RADIO
ALARA - AUSTRALIAN LADIES AR ASSOCIATION
http://alara.org.au
Net is held each Mondays on 3.570 MHz, commencing at 1030 UTC.
(1000utc during daylight saving)
geencee@picknowl.com.au

YL NETS

OFFICIAL ALARA NET: Mondays 3.570, 1030 UTC (1000UTC during daylight saving)

VK6 ALARA NET: Mondays following the national net 3.585&#65533;, 1200UTC

YL 222 DX NET: Mondays 14.222 Call in from 0530 UTC

European YL-DX NET: Thursdays 14.243&#65533; 1700 UTC

VE/VK/ZL NET: Fridays 14.148 0500 UTC

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

AMSAT-VK UNOFFICIAL HF Net.
2nd Sunday each month.
April through October 1000 UTC 3.685 MHz
November through March 0900 UTC 7.068 MHz

TURKEY TO FLY IN 2012

Turkey plans to send its first ham radio communications satellite into orbit in September of 2012. This according to a report published by the semi-official Anatolia news agency.

The report says that the satellite is to be called 3USAT. Also that it is being developed at the Department of Space Engineering of the Istanbul Technical University. The project will be launched by Turkey's satellite communications operator Turksat.

Alim Rustem Aslan heads up the team manufacturing the satellite. He says that it will provide wireless voice transmission over an amateur band between two groups of people at two distant locations, but he did not specify which bands or what modes the new bird will operate on.

(ARNEWSLINE)

FUNcube, plus your name in space

FUNcube Dongle Pro serial number #200 is being auctioned on EBay - the purchaser will also have their name or callsign sent into space.

Howard G6LVB writes:

"A few minutes after Friday's sale, I had a purchaser change their mind, so rather than add the spare unit to the next sale, I'm making it generally available with all proceeds from the sale going towards AMSAT-UK launches.

Although every FUNcube Dongle sold adds to the AMSAT-UK coffers, this special unit, serial number 200, is sold with the added bonus that your name or callsign will be etched into the FUNcube spacecraft when it's launched in the next few months".

See the EBay auction page at
http://cgi.ebay.co.uk/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=130475888400

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- MEDICAL
IHS = www.groups.Yahoo.com/group/IHSradio/
IHS = www.IHSOFMN.org
PHARMACISTS = www.malpensa.it/iphg

Medical Amateur Radio Council www.marco-ltd.org/

Many drugs can only be absorbed in very specific parts of the intestine.

In a new paper, Brown University scientists describe a new system that can safely hold a magnetic gelatin capsule in place anywhere in the gastrointestinal tract of a rat. In humans, the system could improve drug delivery and pharmacological research.

Applied to people in the future, the technology could provide a new way to deliver many drugs to patients, including those with cancer or diabetes.

Read in full .. http://www.healthcanal.com

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RADIO SCOUTING
http://www.scouts.com.au
http://www.scout.org/jota
http://www.international.scouts.com.au

CALLING FREQUENCIES
Please QSY off the calling frequency after establishing communication.

Australian voice calling frequencies:
3.650, 7.090, 14.190, 21.190, 28.590, 52.160

World CW calling frequencies:
3.570, 7.030, 14.060, 18.080, 21.140, 24.910, 28.180, 50.160

World voice calling frequencies:
3.690 & 3.940 MHz, 7.090 & 7.190, 14.290, 18.140, 21.360,
24.960, 28.390, 50.160

Calling frequencies for Slow Scan TV (SSTV):
3.630, 7.033, 14.227

Calling Frequencies for PSK31
14.070

SILENT KEY: AMERICA'S OLDEST SCOUTER, WOODY WOODWARD, W7KOP (SK)

Leonard Andrew "Woody" Woodward, W7KOP, of Mapleton, Utah, passed away December 25, 2010. He was 99.

Woodward, who, according to the Boy Scouts of America, was the "longest continuously registered Scouter" was involved with scouting for more than 87 years.

BSA's Utah National Parks Council Program Director John Gailey called Woodward "an amazing man" and told the ARRL that his friend was still "very much active on the air weeks before his death."

At the age of 8 in 1918, Woodward built his own radio. At the time of his death, he was using the Internet to connect Amateur Radio operators around the world.

Woodward was known all over the world as an unofficial ambassador of America and Scouting through his radio contacts.

Read more here
arrl.org/news/america-s-oldest-scouter-woody-woodward-w7kop-sk

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RESCUE RADIO
IARU REGION 3
Emergency Centre of Activity (CoA) frequencies
3.600, 7.110, 14.300, 18.160 and 21.360 MHz

AMATEUR RADIO EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS ENHANCEMENT ACT REINTRODUCED BEFORE US CONGRESS

New life for a ham radio emergency communications measure.

The Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Enhancement Act, which died at the end of the 111th Congress, has been reintroduced in the 112th Congress.

The objective of the bill which is supported by the ARRL is for the Secretary of Homeland Security to study the uses and capabilities of Amateur Radio communications in emergencies and disaster relief. Also it would identify and make recommendations regarding impediments to amateur radio communications, such as the effects of private land use regulations on residential antenna installations.

(ARNEWSLINE)

REWIND

Queen's Speech: history of the royal Christmas broadcast

The Queen's grandfather King George V delivered the first royal Christmas broadcast live on the radio from Sandringham more than 75 years ago.

1932 he gave his first festive speech.

The original idea was suggested by Sir John Reith, the founding father of the BBC, to inaugurate the Empire Service, now the BBC World Service.

The fixed time of 3pm each year was chosen in 1932 because it was considered the best for reaching most of the countries in the British Empire by short wave.

It would reach, thanks to propagation, Australia, Canada, India, Kenya and South Africa.

It was the outbreak of war in 1939 which firmly established the tradition, when George VI sought to reassure people and boost morale.

Now of course the speech is available on TV, radio, internet, the Royal Channel on YouTube and in HD.

(sourced to the Telegraph, read the full item at www.telegraph.co.uk)

SOCIAL SCENE

2011

Jan 30 vk2 Mid North Coast Radio Expo 2011 at St Johns Church Hall
McLean Street, Coffs Harbour at 8:30am, vk2cjc@wia.org.au

Feb 13 VK3 Centre Victoria RadioFest No.4 Kyneton Racecourse
(http://amateurradio.com.au/node/865/)

Feb 27 vk2 Central Coast Amateur Radio Club Ham Fest at Wyong
Start Time : Gates open 6.30 am

Feb 27 vk3 YARRA VALLEY HAMFEST at Gary Cooper Pavilion 16 Anzac Av
Yarra Glen. Opens 10am-2pm.
(www//yarravalley.ar.org.au)

Mar 13 vk3 EMDRC White Elephant Sale Heathmont.

Apr 9 vk6 Hills Amateur Radio Group HARGFEST at club rooms Lesmurdie.
(HARGFEST. ie, hamfest run by HARG)

Apr 18 WW "Amateur Radio: The first technology-based social network"
World Amateur Radio Day, April 18, 2011.

May 27-29 WIA AGM Weekend in Darwin
secretary@wia.org.au

Jun 10-12 VK4 Far North and North Queensland Amateur Radio Gathering at
King Reef Resort Kurrimine Beach.

Aug 7 VK2 Lismore region - SARCFEST

Nov 20 vk5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society Hamfest
Goodwood Community Centre, Rosa St Goodwood at 0930.
Visit www.ahars.com.au for contact details

2012

15TH IARU REGION 3 CONFERENCE hosted by V.A.R.C. in Ho-Chi-Minh City, Vietnam.

JAN 23-FEB 17 YEAR 2012
World Radio Conference WRC-11 Geneva 23rd January TO 17th February 2012

MAY 3-18 2012 VK5
YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

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http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/katrina.html
ANUSHKA HOT PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/anuska.html
BEAUTIFUL AISHWARIYA RAI
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/aiesh.html
TRISHA HOT PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/11/trisha-hot.html
AMISHAPATEL HOT VIDEOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/amisha
HANSIKHA HOT SEXY PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/HANSIKA
HOT SEXY COLLEGE GIRLS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/hot
BEAUTIFUL LARADATTA
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/laradatta
NIKISHA HOT BOOBS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/nikisha
PRIYANKA SPICY LATEST PICS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/priyanka

ONLY FOR YOUTH
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/spicy
SRILEKHA UNSEENED PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/Srilekha
CHOPRA UNBELIVABLE PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/chopra
HOT BIPASA BASU PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/bipasa
TRISHA IN A SEXY FEEL
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/thrisha
SRISHA HOT BOOBS SHOW
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/srisha
BEAUTIFUL POONAM PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/poonam

58. The ARRL Letter for January 20, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-20 21:55:08 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20110120212802.E46DA23D19@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 5098
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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==> + FCC NEWS: ARRL FILES PETITION FOR PARTIAL RECONSIDERATION WITH
FCC REGARDING VANITY, CLUB CALL SIGNS
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In October 2010, the FCC released a Report and Order, detailing rules changes to the vanity call sign system and call signs for Amateur Radio clubs. These new rules are scheduled to go into effect on February 14. The ARRL found that most changes made by the R&O are "reasonable codifications and clarifications of existing policies." But several amended Sections of Part 97 -- including ¬¬ 97.5 and 97.19 -- are unclear. As such, the ARRL filed a Petition for Partial Reconsideration, urging the FCC to reconsider and modify these portions "in order to reflect the intent of the Report and Order."

In the R&O, the FCC took into consideration some of the ARRL's comments, but not all. The ARRL found it "disappointing" that the

Commission refused to consider in this proceeding "a series of reasonable proposals aimed at increasing the available pools of Group A call signs." The ARRL, in its comments, asked the FCC to consider several changes that could be made "that would increase the number of desirable call signs available for assignment, both sequentially and in the vanity call sign program, and which would provide greater flexibility in the temporary assignment of special-event call signs in the Amateur Service." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-files-petition-for-partial-reconsideration-with-fcc-regarding-vanity-club-call-signs>.

==> + BPL: IEEE EMC SOCIETY STANDARDS DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE WITHDRAWS AS COSPONSOR OF IEEE BPL EMC STANDARD

Citing concerns about parts of its technical content, the IEEE EMC Society Standards Development Committee (SDCom) has voted to withdraw as the cosponsor of IEEE Standard for Power Line Communication Equipment -- Electromagnetic Compatibility (EMC) Requirements -- Testing and Measurement Methods (IEEE Standard 1775-2010). According to ARRL Laboratory Manager and BPL guru Ed Hare, W1RFI, this decision came about soon after the IEEE Standards Board approved publication of the standard over the technical concerns of the SDCom. Hare is an SDCom member and is a member of the IEEE Working Group that developed the standard. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/ieee-emc-society-standards-development-committee-withdraws-as-cosponsor-of-ieee-bpl-emc-standard>.

==> + ON THE AIR: LOGBOOK OF THE WORLD NOW SUPPORTS VUCC

ARRL's Logbook of the World (LoTW) -- an online system for amateurs to confirm two-way contacts that can be used for various ARRL awards -- has been upgraded to support awards based on Maidenhead grid squares, such as VUCC and the Fred Fish Memorial Award. To take advantage of the new features, you need to log in to your LoTW account. VUCC is an open-ended award in that hams can work on throughout their lifetime, just like DXCC. But, like the Worked All States award, the VUCC rules require all the contacts to be made from a defined area. For VHF and UHF QSOs on 1296 MHz and below, this distance must be within 200 km. For SHF awards, contacts must be made from a single location, defined as within a 300 meter diameter circle. As such, the VUCC support in LoTW allows you to make the rule -- or rules -- necessary to find the QSLs in LoTW that satisfy the VUCC rules. Don't have an LoTW account? It's easy to sign up. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/logbook-of-the-world-now-supports-vucc>.

==> AMATEUR RADIO IN SPACE: NASA SEEKS AMATEUR RADIO OPERATORS' AID TO LISTEN FOR NANOSATELLITE'S BEACON SIGNAL

On Wednesday, January 19 at 1630 UTC, engineers at Marshall Space Flight Center in Huntsville, Alabama confirmed that the NanoSail-D nanosatellite ejected from Fast Affordable Scientific and Technology Satellite (FASTSAT). According to NASA, the ejection event occurred

spontaneously; the ejection of NanoSail-D also has been confirmed by ground-based satellite tracking assets. NASA is asking radio amateurs to listen on 437.270 MHz for the signal and verify NanoSail-D is operating. Hams should send information to the NanoSail-D dashboard. As of Thursday, January 20, the NanoSail-D dashboard website is reporting that beacon data has been received, but NASA still wants amateurs to track and report the signals. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/nasa-seeks-amateur-radio-operators-aid-to-listen-for-nanosatellite-s-beacon-signal>.

==> + ARRL BOARD OF DIRECTORS TO MEET THIS WEEKEND

The ARRL Board of Directors will hold its 2011 Annual Meeting on January 21-22 in Windsor, Connecticut. Directors, Vice Directors and ARRL Board Officers will be in attendance. The meeting will be preceded on Thursday, January 20 with meetings of the Board's Administration and Finance Committee and Programs and Services Committee.

The Administration and Finance Committee is chaired by Northwestern Division Director Jim Fenstermaker, K9JF. This committee reviews and makes recommendations for all administrative and financial matters of the League. Some of these duties include recommending the annual budget to the Board, making recommendations in regard to staff management and monitoring investment of ARRL funds. "The Administration and Finance Committee is involved in overseeing the 'business side' of Amateur Radio from the standpoint of the ARRL," Fenstermaker explained. "We are committed to ensuring that members' needs are being served while being fiscally prudent. This requires an understanding of the financial structure of the ARRL while, at the same time, working with the administration to implement cost effective and relevant programs. We are in a sound financial position and work to continue this status. Thanks to our headquarters staff for focusing on the trade-offs needed to foster this stability."

The Programs and Services Committee (PSC), headed by Atlantic Division Director Bill Edgar, N3LLR, studies, advises and makes recommendations for all programs and services provided by the League, including operating activities and the Field Organization. "In January, the Committee recommends to the Board who will receive various ARRL awards, such as the International Humanitarian Award and the George Hart Distinguished Public Service Award," Edgar said. "This year, we split the committee into two sub-committees. These two sub-committees are the Radiosport sub-committee and the Field Services sub-committee. The Radiosport sub-committee reviews the ARRL's contesting and awards programs, while the Field Organization sub-committee reviews the ARRL Field Organization, such as public service, education and other similar programs.

Edgar said that the PSC also oversees four advisory committees: the Contest Advisory Committee (CAC <http://www.arrl.org/arrl-staff-vuac-cac>), the DX Advisory Committee (DXAC <http://www.arrl.org/dx-advisory-committee>), the Emergency

Communications Advisory Committee (ECAC
<http://www.arrl.org/files/file/ECAC%20Roster%20for%20Web%282%29.doc>)
and the VHF UHF Advisory Committee (VUAC
<http://www.arrl.org/arrl-staff-vuac-cac>). Each Division Director
appoints a representative from their Division to participate on each
advisory committee. To serve on an advisory committee, the
representative must well-versed and respected in their particular area
of expertise."

The agenda for the 2011 Annual Meeting is available here
<http://www.arrl.org/attachments/view/News/56557>. Per the Articles of
Association <http://www.arrl.org/arrl-articles-of-association> the ARRL
Board of Directors meets twice a year, in January and July.

==> + FOCUS ON YOUTH: ARRL SEEKS NEW YOUTH EDITOR

The ARRL has a proud tradition of promoting youth involvement in
Amateur Radio. One of the ways we involve young people in our hobby is
through our Youth Editor. This person is responsible for writing a
monthly column for the ARRL website about youth and youth activities
within the Amateur Radio Service. We are looking for a new Youth
Editor. Do you know of someone who would be a good fit for this
position? Maybe they hold leadership positions either in their Section
or in their local club. The candidate must be an ARRL member and must
keep their membership current throughout their tenure in the position.
He or she will be required to write a monthly column of at least 1000
words and provide a minimum of three pictures (with captions) for each.
For this, they will receive a small stipend for each column. Read more
here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-seeks-new-youth-editor>.

==> + ARRL FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS AND TRANSCRIPTS DUE
FEBRUARY 1

Students planning to apply for the more than 60 scholarships
administered by the ARRL Foundation should be aware that the deadline
is fast approaching. All materials -- including transcripts -- are due
February 1. Beginning this year, applicants must submit all material
electronically. No paper forms will be accepted. Read more here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-foundation-scholarship-applications-and-transc
ripts-due-february-1>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "Like a comet pulled from orbit as it passes a Sun
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H5WNeBZ4rBU>" Cook, K7RA, reports: The
average daily sunspot numbers dropped from 50 to 38 on January 6-12 and
now 21.3 on January 13-19. The average weekly solar flux over the same
three periods dropped from 89.5 to 83.8 to 80.4 over this past week.
The latest solar flux prediction shows a value of 82 for January 20-26
and 88 on January 27-30, followed by 87, 85, 85 and 84 on January
31-February 3. Geomagnetic predictions have the planetary A index at 5
over the next couple of weeks, except for a value of 7 on January 22

and February 2-4. Look for more information -- including updated indices, an article on a 3D model of the ionosphere and information on an online propagation prediction program using VOACAP for generating coverage maps and point-to-point MUF data -- on the ARRL website on Friday, January 21. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by Stephen Schwartz's For Good <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H5WNeBZ4rBU> from the musical Wicked <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wicked_%28musical%29>.

==> THIS WEEK ON THE RADIO

This week:

- January 21 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- January 22-23 -- BARTG RTTY Sprint
- January 22-24 -- ARRL January VHF Sweepstakes <http://www.arrl.org/january-vhf-sweepstakes>
- January 26 -- SKCC Sprint
- January 27 -- NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint

Next week:

- January 28-30 -- CQ 160 Meter Contest (CW)
- January 29-30 -- REF Contest (CW); BA DX Contest (SSB); SPAR Winter Field Day
- January 30-31 -- Classic Exchange (CW)

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more info. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- January 28-29 -- ARRL Mississippi State Convention <http://www.msham.org/hamfest.php>, Jackson, Mississippi
- February 5 -- ARRL South Carolina Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/south-carolina-section-convention-1>, North Charleston, South Carolina; ARRL Virginia State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/virginia-state-convention-frostfest-2011>, Richmond, Virginia
- February 11-13 -- ARRL Southeastern Division Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southeastern-division-convention-orlando-hamcation>, Orlando, Florida
- February 18-19 -- ARRL Arizona State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arizona-state-convention-yuma-hamfest-emergency-preparedness-show>,

Yuma, Arizona
- February 26 -- ARRL Vermont State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/vermont-state-convention-ham-con-1>,
Colchester, Vermont

To find a convention or hamfest near you, click here
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests>.

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top contesters, letters, hints, statistics, scores, NA Sprint and QSO
Parties.
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<http://www.arrl.org/qex>. Published bi-monthly, features technical
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ons>
to the ARES E-Letter (monthly public service and emergency
communications news), the ARRL Contest Update (bi-weekly contest
newsletter), Division and Section news alerts -- and much more!
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59. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-20 22:56:06 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <707653f2-f3cd-482c-a7a2-7b3e0a517601@q18g2000vbk.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 5099

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On Jan 20, 4:21 am, SAMARA <jaidatta9...@gmail.com> wrote:
>                 DEEPIKA PADUKONE HOT
VIDEOShttp://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/deepika-padukone.html
>                          HOT ARCHANA
STILLShttp://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/archana.html
>
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60. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1745 - January 212011 Amateur Radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-21 10:00:16 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20110121100004.7CCC333C37@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 5100
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1745 - January 212011 Amateur Radio
Newsline report number 1745 with a release date of Friday, January 21,
2011 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. A writer for Worldradio Online says Morse
code use is on the rise, NASA ask hams to help monitor for NanoSai-D,
one of the Italian 2 meter repeaters interfering with ham radio space
communications goes QRT, Logbook of the World now available to hams who
use the world above 50 MHz and a ham radio legend is about to turn 100.
Find out who on Amateur Radio Newsline T report number 1745 coming your
way right now. (Billboard Cart Here)

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RADIO SURVEY: WORLDRADIO COLUMNIST SAYS MORSE USE

UP

The use of Morse code is up. So says a writer for Worldradio Online
Magazine. Amateur Radio Newsline's David Black, KB4KCH, is in our
South-East bureau with the details:

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In the current no-code era of amateur radio, you
might think no one's using code. But that's not
what an analysis by WorldRadio Online columnist
Randall Noon, KC0CCR, suggests.

The FCC dropped the Morse code testing
requirement back in 2007. Since then, Noon's
research indicates that levels of on-air ham
activity and Morse code usage have increased.

Noon writes about his analysis in February's
issue of WorldRadio Online. He looked at a
combination of FCC licensing statistics and
published results of ARRL Field Day activity from
2005 to 2009. He used Field Day data on the
assumption that Field Day participants are at
least minimally active ham radio operators.

Noon compared statistics for Field Day activity
with the total number of licensees. Noon
determined that both the raw number and the
percentage of licensed hams operating in Field

Day had increased since 2007. In addition, he finds that the number of Morse code contacts in Field Day have increased as well, hitting an all-time peak in 2009. That, he says, is significant, quote "because it is assumed that hams will use the same modes on Field Day that they do when operating at other times."

Since the FCC stopped requiring code tests, Noon concludes it appears that CW has gained in usage--that's because newer hams licensed since 2007 appear to be more actively engaged in the hobby, as the higher levels of Field Day participation suggest.

Noon is no stranger to Morse Code. He's also the magazine's FISTS columnist. FISTS is an organization that promotes the use of Morse code among hams, worldwide.

>From the South-East bureau in Birmingham, Alabama, I'm David Black, KB4KCH, reporting for the Amateur Radio Newsline.

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Noon's complete analysis appears in the February 2011 issue of WorldRadio Online, which was to be posted on or about January 20 at www.worldradiomagazine.com. The magazine is available to readers on line, at no charge. (WorldRadio)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: NASA ASKS HAMS TO VERIFY SIGNAL FROM NANOSAIL-D

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration is asking ham radio operators world-wide to help confirm that the NanoSail-D nanosatellite is working.

On Wednesday, January 19th at 11:30 a.m. EST, engineers at Marshall Space Flight Center confirmed that the NanoSail-D nanosatellite had ejected from Fast Affordable Scientific and Technology Satellite. The ejection event occurred spontaneously and was identified when engineers at the center analyzed onboard telemetry. The ejection of NanoSailD has also been confirmed by ground-based satellite tracking.

Amateur radio operators are asked to listen for the signal to verify NanoSail-D is operating. Its beacon signal can be found at 437.270 MHz. This information should be sent to the NanoSail-D dashboard at http://nanosaild.engr.scu.edu/dashboard.htm.

You can read the full NASA press release at http://www.nasa.gov/centers/marshall/news/news/releases/2011 /11-009.html

More on this in future Amateur Radio Newsline reports. (NASA)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: INTERFERING ITALIAN D-STAR REPEATER ON 145.8 MHz SHUTS DOWN

According to a report attributed to the ISS Fan Club website, one of three Italy-based amateur repeaters reported on last week as allegedly operating in the satellite subband of 2 meters has gone off the air. This as the managers of DStar repeater IR3UEF have apparently shut it down of their own accord.

A report on the ISS Fan Club website says that the IR3UEF repeater operated by the Italian Amateur Radio Association and interfering with the ISS downlink on 145.8 MHz is now gone. Also, the Veneto Regional President of the Italian Amateur Radio Association, IZ3CLG, wrote the ISS support group to inform it that he shutdown of the VHF port of the IR3UEF repeater. He also noted that the repeater was only used for local D-Star tests. Also, that was properly authorized to do so by the government. IZ3CLG said that the decision to shut it down was taken solely in the name of cooperation and ham radio spirit.

As most hams are aware, 145.8 MHz is used by the Amateur Radio station on the International Space Station as a primary space to Earth communications channel, especially for educational school contacts. (ISS Fan Club)

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INTRUDER WATCH: OVER THE HORIZON RADAR ON 7 AND 10 MHZ

The latest issue of the free IARU Monitoring System newsletter reports on Russian radar in 7 MHz. The newsletter says that the Over the Horizon Radar from Russia was active between 7000 and 7200 kHz with burst transmissions on 5 different frequencies on December 30th of 2010. The pulse rate was, as always 66.66 pulses per second. Meantime another Over the Horizon Radar that is based in Cyprus has been destroying communications on the 10 MHz band every afternoon. (IARUMS Region 1)

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QSLING: ARRL LoTW NOW AVAILABLE TO VHF AND UHF OPERATORS

The ARRL has announced that its very popular Logbook of the World has been upgraded to support awards based on Maidenhead grid squares, such as VUCC and the Fred Fish Memorial Award.

Logbook of the World ins an online system for hams to use to confirm two-way contacts. It can also be utilized that can be used for various ARRL awards. Until now it has been limited to confirming contacts on the high frequency bands. Now members of the ham community who enjoy operation on 50 MHz and above can utilize its services as well.

To take advantage of the new features, you need to log in to your Logbook of the World has account or create one if you are not already as user of the service. After that, just follow the outlined procedures found on the Logbook of the World pages. More information on how to do this is at the ARRL website. Use www.tinyurl.com/5vw4nkd to take you directly there. (ARRL)

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WASHINGTON HAPPENINGS: PRESIDENT CALLS FOR AGENCY STREAMLINING

The CGC Communicator reports that President Obama has signed an Executive Order instructing government agencies to modify, streamline, expand or repeal regulations that cause unnecessary burdens. As a result, a number of FCC Rules might be eliminated or improved. At this time which ones cannot even be speculated on. More on this latest development out of

Washington is on line at
tinyurl.com/WhiteHouseExecutiveOrder. (CGC)

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RESCUE RADIO: FCC NOI SEEKS TO UPDATE 911
SERVICE

The FCC is looking at ways of improving 911
emergency response services. This, by allowing
input from text messaging, e-mail, video and
photos from both mobile and landline devices in
addition to traditional voice responses.

According to a Commission release, the agency
considers this an important step to
revolutionize America's 911 services for
consumers and first responders. To accomplish
this goal, it has issued a Notice of Inquiry
titled PS Docket No. 10-255. It seeks public
comment on how Next Generation 911 can enable
the public to obtain emergency assistance by
means of advanced communications technologies
beyond traditional voice devices in use today.
The entire be downloaded and read at
tinyurl.com/49hfrtr (FCC)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the
Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin
stations around the world including the Conejo
Valley Amateur Radio Club repeater serving
Thousand Oaks, California.

(5 sec pause here)

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ENFORCEMENT: ICOM ASKS HELP IN STOPPING
COUNTERFEIT IC-V8 HT'S

Icom is out to stop whoever is supplying
counterfeit copies of its popular IC-V8 2 meter
hand-held radio. Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm
Seeley, KI7UP, has the details:

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Fake transceivers, battery packs and chargers
began being reported in 2010. Icom says that
the difference between a real model IC-V8

handheld and the knock-off phony radios are so small that a blind user might not know they are using a fake radio.

For example, the number 2 key on the real IC-V8 is for the "P Beep" function. On the fake radio number 2 is "VOX". Also, on the back of the real Icom product the serial number tag is black while it is white on the fake radio.

Even accessories are being cloned. The F21 Battery Pack looks like an Icom but there are two differences. The fake does not have the ICOM logo, and carries the Part Number BP208 instead of BP209N as found on the real Icom battery. Lastly, the optional factory remote microphone is designated by Icom as the HM-133 while the counterfeit is HM-133V.
Icom says that a real HM-133V is for other radios in their product line.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP, in Scottsdale, Arizona.

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Icom asks that if you find a product that you may suspect is counterfeit, please report it to the company's support center. You can contact Icom at 2380 116th Avenue NE, Bellevue, Washington, 98004 in the United States. Or by phone to area code 425-454-8155.

More about the products mentioned in this story is on-line at the following URL's: IC-V8 Handheld Radio
http://www.icom.co.jp/world/notice/pdf/V8.pdf
F21 Battery Pack
http://www.icom.co.jp/world/notice/pdf/F21.pdf
HM133 Microphone
http://www.icom.co.jp/world/notice/pdf/2720H.pdf
(Icom, Southgate)

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RADIO LAW: FCC SEEKING MEMBERS FOR CONSUMER ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Federal Communications Commission is seeking applications for membership on its Consumer Advisory Committee which is now beginning its sixth 2-year term. Since its establishment in November 2000, the Committee has made many

valuable recommendations to the regulatory agency regarding consumer issues within the jurisdiction of the FCC. In addition, the Committee has helped to facilitate the participation of all consumers in proceedings before the Commission. This includes groups like people with disabilities and underserved populations such as Native Americans and persons living in rural areas

Applicants should be recognized authorities in their fields, including, but not limited to, organizations focusing upon consumer advocacy, disabilities, underserved populations, telecommunications infra-structure and equipment, telecommunications services including wireless and broadcast/cable services. Individuals who do not represent an organization, institution, or entity, but who possess expertise valuable to the Committee's work, are also welcome to apply. Such applicants should be aware, however, that government ethics rules may require financial and other disclosures.

Committee members, all of whom are volunteers, must be willing to commit to a two-year term of service, should be willing and able to attend 3 one-day meetings a year in Washington, D.C., and are also expected to participate in deliberations of at least one working group or subcommittee. Working groups meet via email or teleconference, and all meetings are accessible to people with disabilities.

The application deadline is February 11th. Full details on the Committee and how to apply for membership can be found on-line in Adobe file PDF format at tinyurl.com/4vx38d5. (FCC)

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RADIO LAW: CALIFORNIA ANNOUNCES NEW WIRELESS DRIVING FINES

The cost of getting caught using a non hands free cellphone or texting while driving in California has gone up. As of the first of the year a first offense of driving while using a wireless phone not hands free will cost you $148 while each subsequent violation will tap your wallet at $256. Driving while wearing headphones

or earplugs that cover both ears is now a $178 offense as is placing anything that is considered as unlawful material on vehicle windows. Last, but most important, a first offense while driving while using a wireless device to send, read or write text will cost you $148 as a first offense, and while not stated in the article detailing the new level of fines, it appears as if it will be up to the court to determine the penalty for subsequent infractions of the states driving while texting rules. And less we forget, these amounts are base fees that do not include court costs and other fees that can add hundreds of dollars to the final amount you pay the court. (Published news reports)

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NEW WAVE COMMMS: LISTENER DRIVEN RADIO ADDS NEW FEATURES

Listener Driven Radio, an interactive audio software platform for broadcasters, is adding of several new features. The company's SMS text messaging capabilities now make it possible for listeners to sign up for a text message to their mobile device when their favorite songs play. Listeners can also receive alerts via e-mail, AOL Instant Messenger, Yahoo Messenger, MSN Messenger, Jabber and Google Talk.

For those not aware, Listener Driven Radio is a new model for radio, shifting stations from broadcasts to what it calls crowdcasts. That's where listeners vote, and a stations programming is affected in real-time. More is online at www.ldrradio.com (Radio OnLine)

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PUBLIC SERVICE: HAMS NEEDED FOR BOSTON MARATHON COMMUNICATIONS

Ham radio volunteer registration for the 2011 Boston Marathon is now open. The Marathon will be held on Monday April 18th with radio operators are needed to provide safety communications
and to assist the Red Cross. Assignments are available in Hopkinton, along the route, and in downtown Boston. To volunteer, go to marc.mmra.org and follow the instructions found

at the website. (K1IW)

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THE SOCIAL SCENE: A LOUISIANA FAIS DO DO TO HAM RADIO

Turning to the ham radio social scene we begin with this event in Cajun country. Heres Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, with the details:

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The Acadiana Amateur Radio Association will hold its 51st Annual Hamfest in Rayne, Louisiana. Among the features of this very Southern event will be the annual Crawfish Boil with the popular Fais-Do-Do and other dancing. For those of you who have never heard the term a Fais-Do-Do is a name for a Cajun dance party that originated just prior to World War 2. Basically, heres your little Cajun French lesson for the day.

Do-Do is basically sleep. You tell your kids to go nightnight or Do-Do and Fais is a negative in Cajun French, so Fais-Do-Do literally means that you don't sleep and dance all night.

The Hamfest will be open to the general public and ham community at 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m on Friday, March 11th and again from 8:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 12th. All times given are Central Standard in the United States. For more information on this year's event please take your web browser to www dot w5ddl dot org stroke hamfest and keep an eye open for the latest updates.

Oh, you have a good time!!

Reporting from Cajun country, I'm Don Wilbanks,

AE5DW, for the Amateur Radio Newsline,

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And now you see why we gave this one to Don.

(NA5Q)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: 2011 DAYTON DX DINNER - MAY 20

Meantime, a couple hundred miles to the North, the SouthWest Ohio DX Association will again sponsor the DX Dinner to be held in conjunction with the 2011 Dayton Hamvention. The dinner will be held on Friday, May 20th, at the Dayton Marriott, which is located at 1414 S. Patterson Blvd. in downtown Dayton. As in the past, there will be some major door prizes along with the naming of the DXpedition of the Year. Reservation information, program details and a list of the prizes will be available soon at www.swodxa.org. (SWODXA)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: G4FSU NAMED IARU TECHNICAL CONSULTANT

Some names in the news. International Amateur Radio Union President Tim Ellam, VE6SH has appointed Ian Greenshields, G4FSU, as an IARU Technical Consultant. In this role, Greenshields can be called upon to represent the IARU at various regulatory meetings such as ITU meetings and to promote IARU objectives at those meetings. Greenshields joins Peter Chadwick, G3RZP, in this role, allowing an IARU presence where there are parallel meetings. (IARU)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: VA3DM NAMED RAC SPECIAL ADVISOR

Doug Mein, VA3DM, has been appointed as a Special Advisor to the Radio Amateurs of Canada Field Organization. Mein has an extensive background and is retired from Transport Canada after 33 years of service. During the September 11th 2001 terrorist attacks on the United States, Mein was Director of Transport Canada's Air Navigation Services and Airspace Branch in Ottawa. In this position, he played a key role in coordinating department operations and taking decisive action on behalf of the Canadian Government. In addition, he was the chief architect behind the creation of NAV Canada. (RAC)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: DJ9KR PUBLISHES 40 METER BROADCAST INTRUDER LIST

And Ulrich Bihlmayer, DJ9KR, of Tuebingen, Germany, has published a list of broadcast stations still operating in the 7.0 to 7.2MHz amateur service radio band. The list can be downloaded from in Adobe PDF format at tinyurl.com/4c8ootr. The latest version was published on January 11th. Using it as a handy reference you should be able to determine what station might be interfering with a QSO and where that station is located. (IARU)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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HAM TECHNOLOGY: GLOBAL TUNES REACHES 55 RECEIVERS WORLD WIDE

You can now access 55 receivers world wide on the Global Tuners dot com website. Receivers on-line operate a variety of modes including the AM and FM broadcast bands, the shortwave spectrum, HF and UHF bands in various modes.

Countries currently on-line include the USA, Australia , Finland, France, Germany , Greece , Italy , Hong Kong , the Netherlands, the Slovak Republic, Sweden and the United Kingdom to mention only a few. So far there are 33,777 registered members and you will have to sign up for an account if you wish to control a receiver.

For more information take your web browser to www.globaltuners.com and global tuners is spelled as one word. (Global Tuners)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: ARISSat-1 UPDATE

The ARISSat-1 amateur radio experimental satellite is now in Kazikstan. The NASA Phase 3

Safety Review for ARISSat was scheduled for last Thursday January 20th with the Russian Progress 41P launch carrying ARISSat-1 scheduled for liftoff late this month. Release of the ARISSat-1 satellite is scheduled for the end of February from the International Space Station.

Meantime, the Russian Soyuz manufacturer RSC Energia is also calling the ARISSat-1 satellite KEDR. This is in honor of Cosmonaut Yuri Gagarin's callsign and also in celebration during the 50th anniversary of the first manned space flight that took place on April 12th, 1961.

R-S-C Energia has information and photographs about the satellite at its news site. Sergey Samburov, RV3DR is shown in the photos with the satellite. The URL to see them is tinyurl.com/46altbf (WA4SXM)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: RUSSIA TO RESUME SPACE TOURIST FLIGHTS IN 2013

Listen out for space tourists to once again operating onorbit from the International Space Station sometime in or after 2013. This after Russia announces that it will start selling multimillion-dollar tourist tickets to the International Space Station after a four-year hiatus.

Virginia-based Space Adventures has had no seats to sell for the zero-gravity voyage since billionaire Cirque du Soleil founder Guy Laliberte flew to the orbiting outpost back in October 2009. But according to recent news reports, beginning in 2013 it will again offer three 10 day trips per year to the space station aboard Russian Soyuz spacecraft. This, thanks to a deal between itself, the Russian space agency Roskosmos and Soyuz manufacturer R-S-C Energia.

Russia has again found room for paying private customers aboard the cramped three-seat Soyuz due to plans to increase annual production of the single-use craft from four to five in 2013. The Soyuz is carried to orbit by Russian rockets that are launched from the Bikenour Cosmodrome in Kazikstan. (Space Now)

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WORLDBEAT: NEW LOOK FOR THE UK REPEATER WEBSITE

If you are planning a trip to Great Britain and will be taking a VHF or UHF radio with you, listen up. The United Kingdom repeater website been given a new look for the New Year, making it easier to find information. There are improved search facilities with separate database and document searching. The document search gives a more effective search of previous committee minutes and other reference material, while the database search allows for searching various repeater data fields for example keeper callsign, frequency, channel and mode. The site lists all United Kingdom FM, D-Star and ATV repeaters. Also, a new RSS news feed and Twitter posting are now available. See www.ukrepeater.net for more. (Southgate)

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CONTEST CORNER: CONTEST UNIVERSITY 2011 REGISTRATION NOWQ OPEN

Turning to radiosport news, Tim Duffy, K3LR, has announced that registration for the Contest University 2011 is now open. This will the 5th year of holding the event just prior to the Dayton Hamvention. The date is Thursday, May 19th, at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in downtown Dayton, Ohio. For registration and other information, go to www.contestuniversity.com on the World Wide Web. (Contest University)

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DX

In DX, word that OM5AM is active as D2AM from Luanda, Angola through March 17th. Operation is mainly 20 meters SSB with some RTTY. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

BX5AA will be active from Taiwan during the CQ World Wide WPX SSB Contest on March 26th and 27th. If you work him QSL via BX5AA.

VK4FEAT is now active from the Solomon Islands as H44DX.
His length of stay on the island was not provided but his operation so far has been on 40, 20 and 10 meter SSB. QSL via VK4FEAT and not

via OH2BN as listed on QRZ dot com. And yes, that callsign to QSL to is VK4FEAT.

RD3AF to be active as EF8M from the Canary Islands during the CQ 160-Meter CW Contest rom January 28th to the 30th. This as a Single-Operator, all band high power entry. QSL via UA3DX.

And look for C31CT will be active from Andorra during the CQWW 160m SSB Contest from February 25th to the 27th as a single operator entry. QSL this one via EA3QS.

Lastly, UR9IDX is once again active as 8Q7VR from Naifaru Island in the Maldives. The length of his stay not known at this time but so far he's been heard on 80 and 12 meters CW. QSL via UR9IDX only direct.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: QCWA ASKS HAM COMMUNITY TO HELP CELEBRATE THE 100TH BIRTHDAY OF WORLDRADIO FOUNDER W0GFQ

And finally this week, the founder of World Radio Labs, Leo I. Meyerson, W0GFQ, is about to celebrate his 100th birthday. And in his honor QCWA Chapter 154 in Palm Springs, California is holding a special celebration of this event. Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, is in the Newsroom with more:

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For those that are new to the hobby or simply do not remember Leo Meyerson, W0GFQ, owned and operated World Radio Laboratories in Council Bluffs, Iowa from the 1940's through the 1970's. During that period of time he also founded Globe Electronics and later on Galexy Electronics. Both companies manufactured gear used by ham radio operators around the world.

The Globe logo first appeared on the 1948 model Globe Champion transmitter. These early units produced 150 watts input on phone or CW with coverage from 160 to 10 meters.

Perhaps his most successful product was the Globe Scout 680 transmitter series that operated

on 80 through 6 meters. These gave many a new General or Technician his or her first taste of A-M phone operation at an affordable entry level price. For his many contributions to ham radio Leo Meyerson, W0GFQ, was named 1997 Radio Amateur of the Year by the Dayton Amateur Radio Association.

Now, to commemorate Leo Meyerson's personal centenary, the Quarter Century Wireless Association is requesting that hams world wide take a QSL card, write 'Happy 100th Birthday Leo' on it and send it to him. His direct mail address is Leo Meyerson, W0GFQ, 19 Park Lane, Rancho Mirage, California, 92270. We plan to send ours, right away.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the Newsroom in Los Angeles.

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Bob Roske, N0UF, is the National President of the Quarter Century Wireless Association. He says that he hopes that
Leo gets hundreds or maybe even thousands of birthday cards. This, to help make this a very special day for a ham that has devoted so much of his life to our hobby. (QCWA)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB, the Southgate News and Australia's WIA News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is Newsline (at) arnewsline (dot) org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California, 91350

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Jim Damron, N8TMW, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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61. Re: Battery Question

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-21 13:39:16 UTC
From: Tuuk <abra@cadabra.com>
Message-ID: <_%f_o.11$be.9@newsfe05.iad>
Source record: 4901

Thanks for the information

I do need the battery that holds its 1.5v rating for longet time. I see
Walmart has the lithium iron or ion batteries which are the latest greatest
and pretty cheap actually. I will try a set of them.
Will the old charger that charged the NiCad and Metal Hylide also charge the
Lithium Iron or Ion? I don't suppose that information is available through
the electronics sales associate at the Walmart, but they have a good price
both at the store and their online store

thanks

"Nordic Breeds WA4VZQ" <ABSOLUTELYwa4vzqNO@SPAMlive.com> wrote in message
news:ih36rfqen1@news.eternal-september.org...
>" Tuuk" <abra@cadabra.com> wrote in message
>news:iS1Zo.30991$bd2.29181@newsfe12.iad...
>> Hi
>>
>> With the smaller batteries such as AA and AAA for things like Camera or
>> MP4 players or MP3 players what is better? The rechargable or disposible?
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>> If not used daily or even weekly which is better? I know the LI are now
>> better than the Ni cad.
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>> I am noticing the MP4 and MP3 are very particular, the NiCad batteries
>> lose their voltage. The AAA are 1.5v but after a couple years they only
>> become 1.3v and the electronic things are finicky and shut themselves
>> down.
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>> Any good deals or suggestions?
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>> I want to get a little charger and keep about 6 of each batteries going.
>> Or should forget the charger and use disposible?
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>> Any suggestions are great, thnx
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> Nickel-Cadmium batteries produce 1.2 volts per cell, not 1.5. Their
> discharge curve is flatter than carbon-zinc cells whose voltage drops off
> quickly. If the equipment was made to operate with this dropping voltage,
> using NiCd cells may result in longer life. NiCd cells self-discharge
> fairly quickly while Lithium Ion cells hold their charge for quite a while
> if not used. See the Wiki page for more information about NiCd cells.
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> 73, Dr. Barry L. Ornitz WA4VZQ

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62. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 23rd January 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-21 16:00:23 UTC
From: Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk
Message-ID: <20110121160005.A799533C27@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4902
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 23rd January 2011

The news headlines:

Datamode groups join forces for contesting

Celebrating 85 Years of Hospital Broadcasting in the UK

GM0M-Z QSL manager change

The RSGB Contest Committee and the British Amateur Radio Teledata Group have joined forces to promote data modes in contesting. For the first time, the RSGB HF Championship this year will include non-RSGB contests, beginning with the BARTG Sprint this weekend. This means that data enthusiasts will now be able to participate in the RSGB HF Championship. For more details see the RSGB Contest Committee website, www.rsgbcc.org.

Hospital Broadcasting, also known as Hospital Radio, will be celebrating 85 years in 2011. The first station started in 1926 in York, and Hospital Radio has been entertaining patients in hospitals up and down the UK ever since. Hospital Radio stations are run by volunteers who give up a few hours of their time each week and also they get involved in their local communities to help promote that station and raise funds to keep their station on the air. To support Hospital Broadcasting Week it is planned to run a small number of Special Event stations from near the end of March to the beginning of April. These will be run on behalf of some of the Hospital Radio Stations. If you know of a local Hospital Radio Station and would like to help them to put on such a station, or would just like more information about this planned event, please e-mail m0jec@nadars.org.uk.

Michael Whitehead, GM0PHW is no longer the QSL submanager for the GM0M-Z series of callsign. The RSGB would like to thank him for his voluntary efforts. The QSL sub manager post has now been passed to Fred Roe, GM0ALS. All the cards in hand were sorted and bundled up prior to the changeover, so the transition should be seamless.

Amateur radio enthusiasts in Brazil established essential communication links in the aftermath of the recent mudslide and floods. Working closely with local civil defence forces, amateur services carried much-needed messages between rescue groups. According to some sources, amateur radio was the only way of getting messages across town. Emergency communications infrastructure has since been put into place by the military and is now providing some telephone and other services.

A minor error crept in to the RSGB AGM announcement in the February RadCom. The nearest motorway junctions to the venue are M1 junction 24 and 25, not 24 and 28 as printed. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

The Horncastle Winter Rally will take place on 30 January in the Horncastle Youth Centre, Lincolnshire LN9 6DZ. Doors open at 10.30am and admission will be ?1.50. Details from Tony, G3ZPU on 01507 527835, e-mail G3ZPU@yahoo.co.uk.

Now for the news of special events

Southport & District Amateur Radio Club will be running GB5LLB from Lytham Lifeboat Station on 29 January. The station is being run as part of SOS Radio Week and is being sponsored, with all monies received going to the RNLI. Contact can be made on 2m and whichever HF bands are open on the day. The club would like to express their thanks to Snowdonia Radio Company for supporting the station by supplying the vertical HF antennas that will be used. Further details can be found on the club's website at www.sadarc.org.uk.

Porthmadog and District Amateur Radio Society is supporting SOS Radio week again this year. The club will be operating today, 23 January, from 10am to 6pm from Criccieth life boat station and on 29 and 30 January from 10am to 6pm the club will be operating from the Porthmadog Yacht club. The society will be using the callsign GB0PLB. All visitors will be welcome to come along and join in or support.

Crewe Heritage Centre Amateur Radio Club will be taking part in the SOS Radio week using GB4CHC today, 23 January, as well as on Saturday 29 and Sunday 30 January. The Club will have two stations on HF, one running SSB and the other on digimodes. They are being sponsored at 10p per country contacted and money raised will go to the RNLI.

And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

DL9HCU is once again in the Pacific and will be active as 3D2HC from Fiji. He likes 20m CW so listen out for him on 14.002 or 14.025MHz between 0500 to 0800UTC. Also, watch out for him on 14.183MHz after 0500UTC as he will sometimes check into the ANZA Net. QSL via DL9HCU, either direct or via the bureau.

SM6LRR will be active from Sri Lanka until 5 February as 4S7LRG. His operation will be holiday style with a focus on 160, 80 and 40m. QSL via his home callsign, SM6LRR.

N3ME and W3UR will be active from Barbados as 8P9ME and 8P9UR, respectively, between 26 January and 14 February. Their operation will be on all HF bands using CW, SSB, PSK and RTTY. QSL via their home callsigns, direct, via the bureau or electronically using Logbook of the World.

Eddy, ON4AFU will be active as HS0ZJF/8 from Koh Samui, which is IOTA reference AS-101, until 10 February. QSL via his home callsign either direct or via the bureau.

Look for Jeff, K8ND and Jim, W8WTS operating as PJ2/homecall until 3 February from Signal Point Contest Station on Curacao, SA-099. QSL via their home callsigns either direct or via the bureau.

Now the contest news

The data leg of the 80m club championship takes place on 20 January from 2000 to 2130UTC. The exchange is signal report and serial number.

The 50MHz UK Activity Contest takes place on 25 January from 2000 to 2230UTC. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator. Please note that there are rule changes to the UKACs this year, including new entry categories for 10 watt stations and active users of the DX cluster and chat channels such as ON4KST. There is also a change to the locator squares multiplier rule. To ensure you enter the right category and avoid claiming the wrong score, please check the full rules on the Contest Committee web site at www.rsgbcc.org/vhf before the start.

The CQ WW 160m DX Contest takes place for the whole 48 hours of 29-30 January. Work the contiguous 48 States plus Canada only, giving a signal report and CQ Zone, for which the UK is 14. USA stations will send a signal report and their 2-letter State code, while Canadian stations will send a signal report and their 3-letter Province code. The final event of the month is the WAB 1.8MHz Phone Contest that takes place on the evening of the 29th. It's the usual WAB contest exchange of signal report, serial number and WAB area.

And now the solar factual data for the period from the 10th to the 16th of January, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on the 17th of January.

The solar disc had spots visible every day, but on the 15th a medium sized sunspot group rotated into view. This group was responsible for three small C class solar flares that occurred on the 14th and 15th. These had very little effect, if any, on propagation. The remaining days' activity was very low. Solar flux levels declined slightly from 83 units on the 10th and the 11th to 79 by the 14th. The average was 81 units. The 90 day solar flux average was 84 units. That's the same level as last week. X-ray flux levels increased slightly from A6.5 units on the 11th to B1 by the 15th. The average was A7.9 units. Geomagnetic activity was quiet every day. The average daily Ap index was 5 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds vary between 450 and 580 kilometres per second. Particle densities were low every day except for a brief increase to 18 particles per cubic centimetre during the afternoon of the 16th. Bz never varied more than minus and plus 7 nanoTeslas for the period.

And now the solar forecast. This week the slightly more active side of the Sun is expected to be looking our way. Solar activity will be at very low levels on some days but could increase to low levels on other

days. Solar flux levels are expected to increase and, later in the week, could be around the 90s. Geomagnetic activity should be quiet every day. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be about 23MHz for the south and 20MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows are expected to be around 7MHz. Paths this week to Australia should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of about 22MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be around 18MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 0900 and 1300 hours.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including e-mail addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS

On Monday 24 January Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is having a workshop and construction evening. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548478, daytime.

On Monday 24 January South Birmingham Radio Society is planning for the Wythall radio rally in March. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Monday 24 January Stratford Upon Avon District Radio Society has a soldering school by G1EIX, G8HJS andG0CHO on soldering RF connectors and surface mount components. Contact G0CHO, on 01608 664488.

On Tuesday 25 January Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 25 January Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is having a practical evening. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Wednesday 26 January Hinckley Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by John Rogers, M0JAV, on using the MiniVNA Pro analyser. Details from John, M0JAV, on 07836 731544.

On Wednesday 26 January Lincoln Short-Wave Club is watching a DVD on antennas for new amateurs with Jim, G0EJQ . For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

On Wednesday 26 January Midland Amateur Radio Society has Foundation and Intermediate classes and laptop computer training, . Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 01214 229 787.

On Wednesday 26 January Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on eQSLs by G0CER. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday 27 January South Birmingham Radio Society is having training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Friday 28 January Bromsgrove & District Amateur Radio Club is having an HF night. Contact Chris, M0BQE on 01905 776 869.

On Friday 28 January Coventry Amateur Radio Society is having a quiz night. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777363.

On Friday 28 January South Birmingham Radio Society Friday is having a construction evening. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Saturday 29 January Lincoln Short-Wave Club is putting G5FZ on the air and working around the shack. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND

On Monday 24 January Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club Come is having a natter night and is on the air. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 0191 477 0036.

On Monday 24 January Bolton Wireless Club is having an activity night on tests and measurements, including RF power, feeder losses and spectrum analysis, run by Bob, G8DTF et al. For details, send an email to boltonwireless@gmail.com.

On Monday 24 January Scarborough Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by Graham Walker. Note that the meetings until March are temporarily in the building next to the entrance. Details from Jerry Scarr, G6LBL, on 01751 476601.

On Monday 24 January Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having a taster evening for new Foundation Licence candidates plus a social evening. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 24 January Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by Ian, G3ZRZ on the Top Band whip. Contact Colin Hirst, G0EPY, by e-mail to colmay@sky.com.

On Tuesday 25 January Chester & District Amateur Radio Society is conducting radio operations at Waverton Institute. Details from Barbara Green on 07957 870770.

On Tuesday 25 January Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society continues its Foundation and Intermediate training and will be discussing a new club project for UHF. Contact Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341317.

On Wednesday 26 January Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is having a computer maintenance evening with, Conor, 2E0CPT. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240573.

On Wednesday 26 January Maltby & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on radio astronomy by Bob Cochrane, G8DRQ. Contact Keith, G1PQW, on 07701 156 678.

On Thursday 27 January Maltby & District Amateur Radio Society is having its annual dinner. Contact Keith, G1PQW, on 07701 156 678.

On Thursday 27 January Preston Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on HF contesting. Contact Richard, M0RDZ, on 0785 587 3566.

On Thursday 27 January Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is having a night on the air. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 0787 608 5631.

On Thursday 27 January South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having a talk by the local RAYNET representative. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 0161 969 3999.

On Thursday 27 January Wakefield & District Radio Society is having a rally planning meeting. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563117.

On Friday 28 January East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is on the air. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Saturday 29 January Wakefield & District Radio Society continues its Intermediate and Advanced Ccurses. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563117.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND

On Monday 24 January Greenisland Electronics Amateur Radio Society is showing the 3B9C Rodreguez Island DVD at Knockagh Lodge, 236 Upper Road, Greenisland, County Antrim. For more information contact Peter, Mi5JYK, by e-mail to mi5jyk@rsgb.org.uk.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND

On Tuesday 25 January Kilmarnock & Loudoun Amateur Radio Club is holding its AGM. Contact Graham, MM3GDC, by email to mm3gdc@btinternet.com.

On Tuesday 25 January Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club evening. Details from Norman, on 07740 946192.

On Wednesday 26 January Glenrothes and District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on PCB manufacture by John, MM0MBC. Please note that until further notice the club will be meeting at the ATC, Brewery Wynd, North Street,&#65533;Leven&#65533;KY8 4LX. This is due to the uncertainty regarding repairs to the Thornton clubhouse. Contact Dave Francis, MM0DYX on 01383 823878 for more information.

On Wednesday 26 January Lothians Radio Society is having a talk and demonstration on R1155 and T1154 restoration by Ian Ropper, GM0UHC. Contact Andy Sinclair, by email to lrs_secretary@moosedata.com.

On Wednesday 26 January West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society is working on construction projects and Licence training. More information from Fred Coombes, 2M0BIN, on 01415 715512.

On Thursday 27 January Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is having a construction and on the air evening. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663.

On Friday 28 January West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society is having presentations, guest speakers, a raffle & quiz. More information from Fred Coombes, 2M0BIN, on 01415 715512.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA

Horndean & District ARCwill be running Foundation and Intermediate classes and exams very soon, and invites applications from candidates. Please contact Stuart, G0FYX, on 023 9247 2846 for more information.

On Sunday 23 January Hastings Electronics and Radio Club is holding its annual luncheon at the Kings Arms, Ninfield, from noon. Details from Ron, G4VBK, on 01424 428428.

On Sunday 23 January Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society is having its New Years' Lunch at the Metropolitan Police Sports Club, Chigwell. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 020 8502 1645.

On Monday 24 January Felixtowe & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air. More information from Paul, G4YQC, by email to pjw@btinternet.com.

On Tuesday 25 January Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720815.

On Tuesday 25 January Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is having a club net night. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Tuesday 25 January Dorking & District Radio Society is holding its AGM. Contact Garth, G3NPC, on 01737 359472.

On Tuesday 25 January Harwell Amateur Radio Society is having a shack activity night. Contact Malcolm, G8NRP, on 01235 524844.

On Tuesday 25 January Horndean & District Amateur Radio Club is having a quiz evening. Other clubs are invited to attend in teams of four. Contact Stuart, G0FYX, on 023 9247 2846.

On Wednesday 26 January Farnborough & District Radio Society is having a talk on the BBC's first outside broadcast satellite link by Tony Crake, G0OVA. Details from Derek, G3OFA, by email to mail@farnboroughradio.org.uk.

On Wednesday 26 January Hastings Electronics and Radio Club is having a talk at the Taplin Centre on the International Short Wave League by ISWL Council member Arthur Kinson, G0KOC. Details from Gordon, on 01424 431 909.

On Wednesday 26 January Havering & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on 3D photography by Steve, M6AEI. Contact John, M0UKD, on 07817 365354.

On Wednesday 26 January Newbury & District Amateur Radio Society is having a surplus equipment sale. For more information contact Rob, G3LMW, on 01635 862737.

On Wednesday 26 January Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is putting GX3WOR on the air. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816684.

On Thursday 27 January Bittern DX Group is having an informal meeting at Pinewood Park Leisure Club. Details from Linda, G0AJJ, on 01692 404154.

On Thursday 27 January Echelford Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by Roger Western, G3SXW on3 the ham radio Olympics. Contact John, G4GSC, on 01784 451898.,

On Thursday 27 January Edgware & District Radio Society is meeting to collect subs. More information from Mike, G4RNW, on 0208 950 0658.

On Thursday 27 January Reading & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the world of broadcast DXing by Robert Hanstock, G0LZB. Details from Pete, G8FRC, on 01189 695 697.

On Thursday 27 January Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society Club is running its construction contest. Details from David, G8UOD, on 01234 742 757.

On Friday 28 January Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Ron Huntsman, on 012233 501712.

On Friday 28 January Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society is on the air on HF. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 020 8502 1645.

On Friday 28 January Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on 50 years of the Bluebell Railway by Chris, G4ZCS. Contact Peter, G4AKG, on 01444 239371.

On Friday 28 January Waterlooville Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night. Details from Rich, G4IBW, on 02392 680852.

On Friday 28 January Wimbledon & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on microwave beacons by Denis, G0OLX. Contact Andrew Maish, G4ADM, on 020 8335 3434.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST

On Monday 24 January Exeter Amateur Radio Society is having a club night. Details from Nick, on 01363 775756.

On Tuesday 25 January Blackmoor Vale Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on transmitter measurements by Jim, G3RTD. Contact Tony, G0GFL, on 01258 860741.

On Wednesday 26 January Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417048.

On Thursday 27 January South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695471

On Thursday 27 January Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on Summits on the Air by Richard, G4ERP. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317750.

On Thursday 27 January Yeovil Amateur Radio Club is holding a committee meeting. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk.

On Friday 28 January Torbay Amateur Radio Society is running its construction competition. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES

On Tuesday 25 January Marches Amateur Radio Society is having a quiz with Malcolm, GW0WZZ. For more information contact Dave, MW0AYM, on 01691 777242.

63. BETS HOT PHOTOS & VIDEOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-22 05:08:58 UTC
From: SAMARA <jaidatta9247@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <15c419e6-ddef-46a2-afaa-43b2310dd120@n32g2000pre.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4903

DEEPIKA PADUKONE HOT VIDEOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/deepika-padukone.html
HOT ARCHANA STILLS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/archana.html
DEEKSHA SETH HOT WALLPAPERS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/deeksha-seth.html
KATRINA KAIF HOT VIDEOS&PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/katrina-kaif.html
SAMEERAREDDY HOT BOOBS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/sameerareddy.html
HOT SEXY ACTRESS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/hot.html
latest hot sruthi hassan stills
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/shurthihassan-new-stills.html
UNSEEN HOT SEXY PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/never.html
SAMANTHA HOT SEXY PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/samantha.html
SEXY DIYA MIRZA
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/diya-mirza.html
HOT AISHWARIYA RAI
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/aish.html
priyamani hot&sexy photos
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/priyamani.html
KATRINA SEXY PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/katrina.html
ANUSHKA HOT PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/anuska.html
BEAUTIFUL AISHWARIYA RAI
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/aiesh.html
TRISHA HOT PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/11/trisha-hot.html
AMISHAPATEL HOT VIDEOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/amisha
HANSIKHA HOT SEXY PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/HANSIKA
HOT SEXY COLLEGE GIRLS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/hot
BEAUTIFUL LARADATTA
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/laradatta
NIKISHA HOT BOOBS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/nikisha
PRIYANKA SPICY LATEST PICS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/priyanka

ONLY FOR YOUTH
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/spicy
SRILEKHA UNSEENED PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/Srilekha
CHOPRA UNBELIVABLE PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/chopra
HOT BIPASA BASU PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/bipasa
TRISHA IN A SEXY FEEL
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/thrisha
SRISHA HOT BOOBS SHOW
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/srisha
BEAUTIFUL POONAM PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/poonam

64. Welcome to rec.radio.info!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-22 07:00:04 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/rec-radio-info/welcome-1-1295679601@panix.com>
Source record: 4904
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.info,rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.answers,news.answers

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/rec-radio-info/welcome
Revision: 1.4 2008/02/09 19:36:10
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

*** Welcome to rec.radio.info! ***

Welcome to rec.radio.info, a group that aims to provide a noise-free
source of information and news for the entire rec.radio hierarchy.

Two introductory articles about rec.radio.info are posted to the group
every month. You are now reading the first article, which explains what
rec.radio.info is, and answers some Frequently Asked Questions. The
second article is titled Posting Guidelines, and you only need to read
it if you want to submit an article to rec.radio.info.

You can skip to the next section of this article by searching for the
next
" -- " string. The sections available are:
- What is the purpose of rec.radio.info?
- Why are messages almost always cross posted to rec.radio.info?
- What is a 'follow-up', and what does 'moderated' mean?
- OK, so now I know what 'moderated' means. Tell me more.
- What type of material is considered inappropriate?
- I do not have access to news, how can I get the information posted to
rec.radio.info?
- Will the material appearing in rec.radio.info be archived somewhere?
- I have a regular posting with timely information, is there a way to
speed up it's delivery, or automate for more convenience?

-- What is the purpose of rec.radio.info?

The purpose or charter of rec.radio.info is to provide the Usenet
community with a resource for information, news, and facts about any and
all things radio.

All the other rec.radio groups are intended for discussions and general
chit chat about radio. Rec.radio.info will contain informational,
factual articles only. Follow-ups are redirected to an appropriate other
group, and further discussion (if any) will not take place in
rec.radio.info.
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In order to ensure that rec.radio.info contains only appropriate articles, it was decided to create the group as a moderated newsgroup.

-- Why are messages almost always cross posted to rec.radio.info?

It provides a "tag" for each article to be assembled into a filtered presentation in rec.radio.info (even with cross-posting, only one message, with a unique Message-ID, is propagated across the net). This tag also facilitates a pre-existing method of dropping or canceling the articles locally within the discussion groups if you don't want to see them. This accommodates individuals who want to separate the bulletins from the discussions, discussions from the bulletins, as well as those who are adamant about not reading another newsgroup and wanted to see everything all in one basket.

With the total size of Usenet (in number of newsgroups and total traffic) doubling every year or so, this is no insignificant contribution to reducing information noise and chaos. Making the discussion groups a catch-all, and making extra newsgroups filters on that catch-all, is also the most realistic way to implement such a scheme (It's not intuitively obvious what the charter, contents, and general appropriate topics for each and every newsgroup are. Seeing FAQ's and charter/intro postings in the home newsgroup is beneficial for new readers).

By cross-posting one only is adding a few tens of bytes to each bulletin (to specify the extra group on the Newsgroups line), but are adding the capability for very powerful filtering features available on most news servers, listservers and readers. Your local news guru could probably explain these features in more detail.

In rn, for example, according to Leanne Phillips in her rn kill-file FAQ, add a line of the form:

/Newsgroups:.*[,]rec\.radio\.info/h:j

either in ~/News/KILL (if you don't want to see rec.radio.info articles anywhere) or ~/News/rec/radio/amateur/misc/KILL (if you don't want to see them just in rec.radio.amateur.misc). The latter method means your kill file will only be consulted during rec.radio.amateur.misc (and hence runs more efficiently), and will probably work for most people.

In nn, according to Bill Wohler in his nn FAQ, add a line of the form:

rec.radio.info:!s/:^

in ~/.nn/kill (if you don't want to see rec.radio.info articles anywhere), or put the following lines:

sequence
rec.radio.info
rec.radio.

at the end of ~/.nn/init in order to see all the rec.radio.info bulletins first, then read the remaining rec.radio.* without the

bulletins.

In slrn, according to the srln FAQ, the following scoring rule will | allow you to see rec.radio.info-crossposted bulletins, while still | filtering out most SPAM or "Velveeta" crossposted to more than 2 | newsgroups (as such articles usually do not contain a 'Followup-To:' | header): |

Score: -9999 |
Newsgroups: ,.*, |
~Followup-To: . |

More information about kill files may be obtained from Dave Fawthrop's Killfile FAQ at:

http://www.hyphenologist.co.uk/killfile/

-- What is a 'follow-up', and what does 'moderated' mean?

If you are new to Usenet and are not familiar with the terminology, you might want to read the general introductory articles found in the newsgroup news.announce.newusers. Doing so will make your life on the net much easier, and will probably save you from making silly beginner's mistakes.

If you think that at this moment you are reading an echo, a conference, or a bulletin board, I'd also strongly suggest a trip over to news.announce.newusers.

For the rest of this article, we will assume you have a basic knowledge of Usenet terminology and mechanics.

A moderated group means that any article that needs to be posted to the group has to be accepted by the moderator of the group. Since we need to ensure that followups to an article (discussion) do not show up in the rec.radio.info newsgroup, the `Followup-To:' header line contains a newsgroup that is appropriate for discussions about the specific article.

-- OK, so now I know what 'moderated' means. Tell me more.

Rec.radio.info is a moderated newsgroup, which means that all articles submitted to the group will have to be approved by the moderator first.

The current moderator of the group is the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team. Submissions to rec.radio.info can be posted, or e-mailed to:

rec-radio-info@panix.com

Comments, criticisms, suggestions or questions about the group can be e-mailed to:

rec-radio-info-request@panix.com

But before you do so, please be sure to check out the "Posting Guidelines" article.

The influence of the moderator should be minimal and of an administrative nature, consisting chiefly of weeding out obviously inappropriate articles, while making sure correct headers etc. are used for the appropriate ones.

-- What type of material is considered inappropriate?

There are three broad categories of articles which will be rejected by the moderator:

1) Requests for information: rec.radio.info is strictly a one-way street. We receive information in our mailbox; we then post it to rec.radio.info. Requests for specific information belong in the normal discussion newsgroups. If your request gets answered, you might consider passing the answer on to rec.radio.info, though. Especially if you can edit it into a informational, rather than a discussion, format.

2) Obvious discussion articles, or articles that appear unsubstantiated.

3) Commercial stuff: a relatively unbiased test of a radio product would be accepted, but any hint of for-profit might be reason for rejection. For three reasons: This is not the purpose of the list, for-profit is a controversial topic, and this list may be passed onto Amateur Packet Radio (where for-profit is prohibited except under certain provisos).

rec.radio.swap may be more deserving of the posting in any matter.

Similarly, copyrighted material generally cannot be used. If it's TRULY worthwhile to the net, We would recommend obtaining permission from the copyright holder. Please note the source, and if permission was given. We reserve the right to make the final decision concerning appropriateness in all situations. In most cases, a brief summary of, or pointer to, the copyrighted information may be all we can allow.

-- I do not have access to news, how can I get the information posted to rec.radio.info?

Google has an excellent web interface to Usenet newsgroups. It is available at:

http://groups.google.com

It supports both reading and posting.

Another excellent web interface to at least the radio-related Usenet newsgroups is the RadioBanter site:

http://www.radiobanter.com

sponsored by the NewsgroupBanter project:

http://www.newsgroupbanter.com

It, too, supports both reading and posting.

-- Will the material appearing in rec.radio.info be archived somewhere?

Yes. See Google Groups and RadioBanter above.

Effectively this means that anything you post to rec.radio.info will be permanently stored, so your work will not be lost.

-- I have a regular posting with timely information, is there a way to speed up it's delivery, or automate for more convenience?

Yes, there is! It may take a bit of chatter with the moderator, but we are willing to take responsible people and provide them the means of posting the articles directly from their site. We will try everything we can as we fully realize that DX (distant signal) and astronomical data can be somewhat transitory. We are also willing to allow regular posters of information the same courtesy, even if the information is not as time critical.

We refer to this as self-moderation, which is partly based on the model for rec.answers/news.answers. This requires co-operation and goodwill to be beneficial to the community in the rec.radio hierarchy.

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms about this article to rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

(Adapted, with permission, from the original article written by Mark Salyzyn, AG4YD, ex-VE6MGS.)

65. rec.radio.info Posting Guidelines

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-22 07:05:03 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/rec-radio-info/guidelines-1-1295679900@panix.com>
Source record: 4905
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.info,rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.answers,news.answers

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/rec-radio-info/guidelines
Revision: 1.5 2007/03/22 16:30:49
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

*** rec.radio.info - Posting Guidelines and Etiquette ***

Two introductory articles about rec.radio.info are posted to this group
and to rec.answers/news.answers every month. You are now reading the
second article, which explains how to submit something to
rec.radio.info, and which answers some Frequently Asked Questions about
the submission process. The first article is titled "Welcome to
rec.radio.info", and it might be a good idea to check it out as well.

-- How do I submit something to rec.radio.info?

Two possibilities. You can use your newsreading software to just post
the article to rec.radio.info, as you would do with any other
newsgroup. The difference is that the software recognizes the special
status of rec.radio.info as a moderated group, and will e-mail your
article to us, the moderation team, instead of posting it to the group.

Alternatively, you can mail your article directly to us at the following
address:

rec-radio-info@panix.com

Mailing us directly is probably (a wee bit) faster, but using the
transparency offered by the newsreading software is probably more
convenient.

If you have any questions, or wish to deal with some administrivia with
the moderation team, we suggest mailing to the following address:

rec-radio-info-request@panix.com

-- How soon will I see my article appear?

It depends on how busy we are. Your article reaches us as mail, we have
to read it first, give it the stamp of approval, and finally send it on
to the group. We will attempt to read and decide on all submissions
within 72 hours at the very least, though we will probably be able to
process submissions much faster in actual practice.
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The site from which we moderate this newsgroup, "Public Access Internet and Unix, NYC" (Panix), is directly connected to the Internet, and articles posted at that site should appear at most major news sites, including Google Groups, the same day. The principal delay, therefore, will be the wait in the moderator's submission queue.

If you post a periodic article, and have shown to be trustworthy, we may allow you to post directly if the article is of a timely nature. See the section below on direct posting.

-- Should my article be in a specific format?

No. If it is not totally illegible, we will accept it, and if it does not have a correct subject-line we will correct it with your permission -- that's what a moderator is for.

However.

You could do us a big favor by making sure your article conforms to these simple requirements:

1) The article must present information, not discussion or requests, We will reject the article or require you to change the wording if it is worth it.
2) A good, descriptive Subject line.
3) Always mention what source you got the information from.
4) Don't forget to include a Followup-To header, at least if you don't want further discussion to automatically be forwarded to you, the poster, which is the default if the article is only posted to rec.radio.info.

As we said: if your article is appropriate we will post it even if you don't follow these guidelines, but then don't blame us for not processing it immediately. 'Perfect' articles we can send on with a couple of keystrokes. Stuff that needs minor editing is going to have to wait until we have time to do so.

Please do not waste both our and your time by posting requests, as this is an information only news group.

-- What about crossposting?

If you send something to rec.radio.info, just name any group you'd like to cross-post to in the Newsgroups field. Then, when we approve the article for rec.radio.info it will get automatically cross-posted to any other groups mentioned. This will also override the default Followup-To: poster, replacing it with the groups you cross posted to.

We would prefer if the group be cross-posted to the various discussion groups in the rec.radio.* hierarchy that are appropriate:

rec.radio.amateur.misc Amateur (ham) radio and related matters
rec.radio.amateur.packet Amateur Packet Radio discussions
rec.radio.amateur.policy Amateur Radio practices, rules, etc.
rec.radio.noncomm Non commercial radio discussions

rec.radio.shortwave International broadcasting on the 'HF' bands
rec.radio.cb Citizens Band (27 MHz) discussion
rec.radio.scanner Scanner discussions (unsupported group)

or in one of the moderated groups:

rec.radio.amateur.moderated Amateur radio practices, rules, etc.
rec.radio.broadcasting Discussion of *domestic* radio broadcasting

We will leave it up to the poster to decide which group(s) are appropriate, but reserve the right to add groups if we feel it has broader interest. We will consult with the poster first.

Notes on crossposting:

- rec.radio.broadcasting is also a moderated group. The rec.radio.broadcasting moderator prefers to review all articles himself before posting. Placing rec.radio.broadcasting before rec.radio.info on the Newsgroups line should accomplish this. We will typically abide by the rec.radio.broadcasting moderator's decision whether the article is appropriate for rec.radio.info.

- rec.radio.amateur.moderated is also a moderated group. As the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team manages both rec.radio.amateur.moderated and rec.radio.info, we can manage crossposting and approvals for both newsgroups. The rec.radio.amateur.moderated group does not allow crossposting to other discussion newsgroups, whether moderated or unmoderated. However, we would like to manage rec.radio.info as consistently as possible with how it was done by previous moderators, including the grandfathering of existing regular postings. Therefore, the submitter can choose rec.radio.amateur.moderated or the other unmoderated rec.radio.amateur.* discussion newsgroups for crossposting, but not both.

- Any FAQ or informational posting approved by the rec.answers/news.answers moderation team that is also crossposted to any rec.radio.* newsgroup (besides just rec.radio.info) is also automatically pre-approved for rec.radio.info. See below for more information.

If you post to another moderated group, it may be better to make special arrangements with both moderators before posting by contacting us at our administrivia addresses.

In addition, cross-posts do not take up extra space; modern newsreaders can be configured to show you cross-posted articles only once anyway; not everybody reads rec.radio.info; and rec.radio.info was never meant to reduce the volume of the regular discussion newsgroups. But keep in mind that some of the mail gateways may filter out the informational postings (at request of the subscribers) to keep the load down.

You decide.

-- I have a regular posting with timely information, can I make arrangements to help speed up delivery by posting directly from my site?

Yes, there is! It may take a bit of chatter with the moderator, but we are willing to take responsible people and provide them the means of posting the articles directly from their site. We will try everything we can as we fully realize that DX (distant signal) and astronomical data can be somewhat transitory. We are also willing to allow regular posters of information the same courtesy, even if the information is not as timely.

We refer to this as self-moderation, which is partly based on the model for rec.answers/news.answers. This requires cooperation and good will to be beneficial to the community in the rec.radio.* hierarchy.

If you are currently maintaining (or plan to maintain) a radio-related periodic information posting, you may wish to consider crossposting it to rec.answers/news.answers. Postings that are approved by the rec.answers/news.answers moderators for this treatment are automatically pre-approved for crossposting to rec.radio.info (as the news.answers requirements are far more rigorous than the requirements this newsgroup ever plans to use). For more information about this option, consult the appropriate information articles and posting guidelines in rec.answers/news.answers.

Realize also, that even if your post is not approved for rec.answers/news.answers, it can still be approved for rec.radio.info. The intention is not so much to get every last bit of radio-related information on rec.answers/news.answers, but rather to provide an alternative avenue of approval (as well as grandfather existing maintainers of radio-related information and spare them additional bureaucratic hurdles). Again, crossposting to either rec.radio.info or rec.answers/news.answers, both, or neither, is at the discretion of the poster (subject to the approval of the moderators). You decide what is most appropriate for your article.

Please remember that as an information maintainer, you are not alone. There are many others on the net who maintain and post periodic information postings, using various intermediate-to-advanced features of Usenet (usually via automated tools). Various degrees of technical support and general hand-holding are available from many Usenet veterans. Send us some E-mail describing your needs to our administrative address below, and we'll try to help, or at least refer you to the right knowledgeable individual(s).

-- And Follow-ups?

If the only newsgroup you have specified is rec.radio.info, then the Followup-To: field will always be set to poster. If you do not want this, you must supply a Followup-To line of your own, and we will honor that one, as long as it is a subset of the original Newsgroups line.

If you specify newsgroups to cross-post to, then the Followup-To field will be set to include all the cross-posted groups, excepting rec.radio.info itself. Again, if you do not wish this behavior, supply your own Followup-To line.

We maintain other standards on the various RFC-1036 (news transport) header lines. For example, if the article is appropriate for passing into the Packet Radio Information Network, we encapsulate the Packet Bulletin Identifier (BID) in the Message-ID: news header line indicating the machine of origin as the ampr.org domain:

Message-ID: <$opa.55.1994@ampr.org> |

where the Packet Radio BID, in this example, is `$OPA.55', and it was posted in the year 1994, because some of the Bid numbers are cycled yearly. Hopefully, this can be used as a key to re-introduce the articles for the Packet Radio network. Also, if the article is a repost of an already existing information article in the rec.radio heirarchy, we ensure that the References: header line is linked to that previously posted article. This also helps to tag articles, and may be used for additional filtering if needed.

Since the articles are archived, please use the Summary and Keywords header lines to help one search for your article.

-- Why have I received no reply from you?

We never reject anything in silence, and we make a point of it to answer all our mail. However, E-mail, like a brain cell, can and does get lost, every now and again.

So, if you send us something, and you don't see it appear it rec.radio.info, and you still have not heard from us in reply after say, five days, you can be pretty sure that either your mail never reached us, or that our answer has never reached you. In that case, please try again (We will filter out duplicates).

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms about this article to rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

(Adapted, with permission, from the original article written by Mark Salyzyn, AG4YD, ex-VE6MGS.)

66. SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 23 JANUARY 2011 You are listening to ZS6SRL, the

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-22 20:00:18 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <20110122200008.2C09233C37@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4906
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 23 JANUARY 2011 You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'ARMI' and follow the links for details. PLEASE NOTE: for audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R. You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail. Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 and 3,695 MHz SSB. SILENT KEY It is with deep regret that the passing of Henry Fourie, ZR4U, on Sunday 16 January 2011 must be announced. We extend our sincere condolences to his parents Barney, ZS4U/ZS6TQ, and Marie, ZS4YL, family and friends. (PAUSE) In the news today: D-STAR ACTIVE IN JOHANNESBURG SARL NATIONAL CONVENTION NOT TO BE MISSED LAST CHANCE TO BOOK FOR PIC PROGRAMMING COURSE You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting news items. D-STAR ACTIVE IN JOHANNESBURG The first digital repeater in Johannesburg is active on the air. The repeater is on loan from Multisource for demonstration purposes and is offering amateurs an opportunity to experiment with D-Star. The system was installed and demonstrated during the SA-AMSAT event last Saturday at the NARC. Thanks to Ronald, ZS6RVC, Riaan, ZS4PR and Frik, ZS6FZ D-STAR, the acronym for Digital Smart Technologies for Amateur Radio, is a digital voice and data protocol specification developed by the Japan Amateur Radio League. While there are other digital on-air technologies being used by amateurs, D-Star is one of the first on-air and packet-based standards. D-STAR offer clearer signals and uses less bandwidth than its non-digital counterparts. As long as the signal strength is above a minimum threshold, and no multi-path is occurring, the quality of the data received is better than an analogue signal at the same strength. D-Star compatible radios are available on VHF, UHF, and microwave amateur bands. In addition to the over-the-air protocol, D-Star also provides specifications for network connectivity, enabling D-Star radios to be connected to the Internet or other networks, with provisions for routing data streams of voice or packet data To operate the D-Star repeater switch any D-Star enabled digital radio to DV mode. Tune to 145.6875 MHz with the usual -600 kHz offset to talk via the repeater. In the radio menu ensure that R1 and/or R2 are set to ZS6TJ. The UR can be set to CQCQCQ, and MYCALL should be your own callsign. The SARL is looking for coverage, signal reports and comments. Send your comments to armi@sarl.org.za. SARL NATIONAL CONVENTION NOT TO BE MISSED The Sasolburg and Vaal Triangle Radio Clubs are hosting the 2011

SARL National Convention on 15 and 16 April. Enjoy the beauty of the Vaal, an evening cruise down Millionaires' Bend and a fantastic dinner in the company of good radio friends until late Friday evening! Saturday morning the SARL AGM at the Vaal University of Technology commences at 8 am with registration. The meeting starts at 9 am. In the afternoon a huge flea market will be held while a nature drive at Emerald Casino Resort will keep non-amateurs suitably entertained. The Sasolburg and Vaal Triangle Radio Clubs expect this to be the biggest get-together of radio amateurs in years! The afternoon also offers a visit to the Bloemendal Shortwave wave radio broadcast station near Meyerton. Experience what a 50 kW RF transmitter is capable of doing, and see how the systems for such a shortwave broadcast station operate and service the world from South Africa. The highlight of the convention takes place on Saturday evening at the Riviera Hotel. This year the SARL Gala evening will be a formal black tie affair, but suit and tie will also do! The guest speaker is Prof. Alwyn Louw from VUT. The well known band Broken Stream will supply the music while Gerald Klatzko, ZS6BTD, will be giving a riveting presentation on his experiences with MIR and the Space Station.. The annual prize giving will be hosted by Tjerk, ZS6P. Thereafter the dance music fires up and the party begins! Registration for the Boat cruise and the Gala evening is essential as there are only limited seats available. Bookings should be made through the club secretary of ZS4SRK by visiting www.qsl.net/zs4srk to complete the forms. There is also a link from www.sarl.org.za. LAST CHANCE TO BOOK FOR PIC PROGRAMMING COURSE Bookings for the PIC programming course on Saturday 29 January at the SARL National Amateur Radio Centre close on Wednesday afternoon. Get the details from www.sarl.org.za and click on RTA. This will be the only PIC Programming course in Gauteng during 2011. INNOVATION AND CONSTRUCTION COMPETITIONS CLOSE SOON Entries for both these competitions close on 31 January 2011. Full details are available from www.amateurradio.org.za. CONTEST NEWS The first SARL 80 m Club Contest for 2011 will be held on Wednesday 26 January 2011 starting at 19:30 CAT and ending 1 hour later. This will be a SSB contest using the segments 3 600-3 650 kHz and 3 700-3 775 kHz. The exchange is an RS report and a serial number starting at 001. Stations can participate as a single operator or multi-operator. Find the complete rules on page 20 of the 2011 SARL Contest Manual. On the weekend of 5 and 6 February, the Antique Wireless Association will host its CW Activity Day. The following weekend, 12 and 13 February, the first leg of the 2011 SARL National Field Day will take place. Find all the rules in the 2011 SARL Contest Manual. The Port Elizabeth ARS has released the results of the 2010 PEARS HF QSO Party held in early December. 10 unlimited and 1 restricted class log was received. Unlimited class 1st Wes Wessels, ZS2A, 107 points 2nd Jacques Vermeulen, ZS1WC, 98 points 3rd Otto du Plessis, ZS2Q, 95 points

Restricted Class Piet Delport, ZR6BVS, 12 points

No logs were received in the Novice and DX classes. Well done to the winners. PROPAGATION REPORT Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the

solar activity is still at low levels. Sunspot 1147 persists in the northern hemisphere and a few tiny spots have formed just to the south of it. The effective sunspot number is expected to be less than 20 for the coming week. 15 m will provide the best opportunities for DX followed by 20 m. Conditions to India will be good from the afternoon till after sunset. During the afternoons conditions will be fair towards Europe on 15 m, later to be followed by fair 20 m openings. Early evening 15 m contacts with the USA are possible. Contacts with Australia are possible on 20 m at sunrise and during the afternoons. 15 and especially 20 m openings to Brazil and South America are possible during the afternoons. With the good 15 and 20 m openings 17 m will also be full of surprises. For the CW and digital enthusiasts 30 m may be very rewarding with openings to many parts of the world. Locally 40 m is the workhorse for contacts around the country with 20 and 30 m also being very useful for contacts over the longer distances. 80 m will be best during the early mornings and late afternoons as well as over the shorter distances. 80 m is the frequency of choice during the evenings. Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information. DIARY OF EVENTS 23 January - Last day of the PEARS VHF/UHF Competition. 30 January - Closing date for phase 1 of the construction competition. 26 January - SARL 80 m club competition at 19:30. 5-6 February - CW Activityb day of the Antique Wireless Society. 12-13 Februariy - 1st leg of the SARL National Field Day. 28 February - Offers to host a station at Sun City during IARU Region conference to be in to iaru2011@sarl.org.za. SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date. The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 560 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'ARMI' and follow the links. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 22:05 CAT on 3 215 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies. You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by Hester van der Walt. Thank you for listening, 73.
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67. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-22 21:03:59 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <a6f42d0b-051e-4190-9d24-ac8a6798d18a@t35g2000yqj.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4907

On Jan 22, 12:08 am, SAMARA <jaidatta9...@gmail.com> wrote:
> DEEPIKA PADUKONE HOT
VIDEOShttp://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/deepika-padukone.html
> HOT ARCHANA
STILLShttp://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/archana.html

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68. NZART Headquarters Infoline Issue 222

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-23 04:15:11 UTC
From: jamiepye <jamie.pye@pyenet.co.nz>
Message-ID: <GBEFLHAKABNBJEJENPGDKECLCMAA.jamie.pye@pyenet.co.nz>
Source record: 4908
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

NZART Headquarters Infoline Issue 222
23-JANUARY-2011
NZART Website: http://www.nzart.org.nz/home/

A Happy New Year to all readers
>From The NZART President,
Business Manager, Council and Officers
In This Issue
*Nominations For NZART 2011 Elections For President and Council
*FMTAG NOTES FOR JANUARY 2011 INFOLINE
*WELLINGTON EXPO-11
*Jock White Field Day Coming up
*A NZART Notice For Your Branch Notice Board
*Activities on New Zealand Amateur Radio Day
*Weird and Wonderful
*Upcoming Events
*Contest News
==VHF/UHF/SHF Contest Notes
==HF Contests
*Housekeeping
*Attachment(s) for Branches: NZART Headquarters Infoline 222.doc

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Please think of the environment before printing this e-mail
Nominations For NZART 2011 Elections For President and Council
Nominations closed today after the mail clearance in accordance with the requirements of the Associations Constitution.

The following nominations have been received

President (1 Required)
John Andrews ZL2HD

Ann Fraser ZL3TNT

Simon Lewis ZL4PLM

Roy Symon ZL2KH

Northern District (3 Required)
Neill Ellis ZL1TAJ

Stephen Hayman ZL1TPH

Vaughan Henderson ZL1TGC

Phil King ZL1PK

Central District (3 Required)
John Andrews ZL2HD

Warren Harris ZL2AJ

Fred Johnson ZL2AMJ

Midlands District (2 Required)
Ann Fraser ZL3TNT

Simon Lewis ZL4PLM

Southern Districts (1 Required)
No nominations received

Based on the above an election is required for both President & the Northern Electoral District.

Subject to the result of the election Council will need to consider the appointment of Councillors to represent those districts that will not be fully represented in accordance with the Associations Constitution.

Nominees who have not already done so should forward there biography with photo to the undersigned with a copy to the Break-In editor.

Evan T Sayer

Returning Officer

2011-01-06

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FMTAG NOTES FOR JANUARY 2011 INFOLINE
To view the FMTAG Applications Being Processed please go to:
http://www.nzart.org.nz/nzart/fmtag/fmtag-apps-being-processed/

PROPOSALS
Proposals published on the NZART website on 21st December:

Te Puke Branch 53 has applied to increase the power of its 7175 repeater located at Shaw Road, Topo50 map reference BE37 870.20 014.96. An Engineering Evaluation shows that the repeater transmit frequency can remain on 147.175 MHz and the repeater receive frequency on 147.775 MHz, and that there will be no interference to other stations.

Te Puke Branch 53 has applied to increase the power of its 855 repeater located at Shaw Road, Topo50 map reference BE37 870.20 014.96. An Engineering Evaluation shows that the repeater transmit frequency can remain on 438.550 MHz and the repeater receive frequency on 433.550 MHz, and that there will be no interference to other stations.

Te Puke Branch 53 has applied to up-link to Takaurunga 540 from its BBS at Totara Street, Topo50 map reference BD37 809.83 218.01. The link transmit frequency will be 144.800 MHz and the link receive frequency will be 145.400

MHz. An Engineering Evaluation shows that there will be no interference to other stations.

Tauranga Branch 39 has applied to link to Shaw Road 7175 and 855, from Minden 680, located at Topo50 map reference BD36 691.76 217.82. The link transmit frequency will be 433.550 MHz and the link receive frequency will be 438.550 MHz. An Engineering Evaluation shows that there will be no interference to other stations.

Proposal published on the NZART website on 1st January:

Wairarapa Branch 46 has applied to change the frequency of its National System UHF Link Station at Pariwhariki Trig, Topo50 map reference BP35 288.84 459.75. The new transmit frequency will be 434.975 MHz and the receive frequency will be 439.975 MHz. An Engineering Evaluation shows that there will be no interference to other stations.

FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS TO NZART CPOUNCIL
Proposals published in HQ Infoline 221:

The Radio Electronics Group has applied to move its 2-metre repeater to Peacockes Road, Topo50 map reference BD33 030.88 129.32. We have selected a repeater transmit frequency of 147.125 MHz and a repeater receive frequency of 147.725 MHz. An Engineering Evaluation shows that there will be no interference to other stations.

The Radio Electronics Group has applied to move its 70-centimetre repeater to Peacockes Road, Topo50 map reference BD33 030.88 129.32. We have selected a repeater transmit frequency of 438.875 MHz and a repeater receive frequency of 433.875 MHz. An Engineering Evaluation shows that there will be no interference to other stations.

COMMENTS AND APPLICATIONS
Please send your comments and suggestions on the above matters and recommendations, and on any other FMTAG matters, by e-mail to: fmtag@nzart.org.nz

Applications for repeaters, beacons, digipeaters, point-to-point links, and so on, should be made on the latest version of FMTAG Form 10. The latest versions of FMTAG Form 10, and the explanatory Form 10A, are available on the NZART web site:
http://www.nzart.org.nz/nzart/fmtag/

Completed forms should be sent by e-mail to fmtag@nzart.org.nz

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Admission to the EXPO is $4. Each ticket includes a free drink and entry into the various raffle draws. Listen out for the raffle draws throughout the day by MC ZL2BHF.
There will be trade displays, trade sales of new amateur equipment and of course trading tables of used equipment as well as a display of military

radio equipment.
TIMES: - Opens at 10am (Vendors 7am). Closes at 1pm
Refreshments - coffee, soft drinks, buns & cakes will be available.
All inquiries for table sales and bookings to:-
Gavin Cross ZL2TVM Email Address: zl2hv@nzart.org.nz

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Jock White Field Day Coming up:

minor rule changes have been made and doni¿½t forget to send in logs

Jock White Field Day 26th and 27th February
It is time to get your team together for Field Day. Get those antennas sorted and give the generator set a test run.

The single station 80/40 section will be continued on for 2011 after being a success last year.

Rule changes:
Rule 15.2.4: the number of CW contacts per band have been reduced from 25 to 20. In recent years a number of stations have made contacts in the 20-24 range per band which I have accepted as being sufficient to be claimed by others as a valid branch point for CW. Please note that I will be strict with the 20 contact threshold.

Rule 8.1: the maximum output power in the open section has been reduced from 150 back to 100 watts. By far the majority of transceivers both in JWFD use and on the market today have a 100 watt power output. This rule change is to keep the playing field level.

If you are using a fancy hands free microphone doni¿½t forget to get your microphone gain set correctly using the ALC meter and make sure your 13.8 volt DC supply does not sag at the terminals of the transceiver, we doni¿½t want any splatter or dirty signals!

Finally, it makes my job much easier if all stations that enter send in their logs and summary sheets. If your branch one of the few out for a social time and not wanting to enter officially, thati¿½s fine, but please send in your log sheets so I can use them for checking.

Have fun!

Stuart Watchman
ZL2TW

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A NZART Notice For Your Branch Notice Board
This notice was first circulated in OCT-1992 as a 'special circular' but is relevant now as it was then.

High resolution copies, for printing, are available from the NZART Web at:
A Notice For Your Branch Notice Board

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Activities on New Zealand Amateur Radio Day
Tauranga Emergency Communications Group, Branch 88 NZART
President of the Group, Brian Heywood ZL1IE, reported:

The local free press visited our display in Gate Pa Shopping centre this morning. Here is the news item as at 11.21am on the web

http://www.sunlive.co.nz/news/10591-radio-communication-still-kicking.html

It will also appear in next Friday's (22-JAN-2011) issue with a circulation of 62,550 copies. The Weekend Sun is the Bay of Plenty largest circulating most read newspaper to homes of 157,300 residents

Known Branches and Groups Taking Part
Hastings
Gisborne
Palmerston North
Papakura
Christchurch Area
Auckland VHF

ZL3 Buildathon
Another successful ZL3 Buildathon has been run by David W Searle ZL3DWS in Christchurch. David had success in getting a Radio NZ interview and a report in the local paper Chrischurch Mail on January-19-2011.

The Radio Interview (link at bottom of page) can be found at:
http://sites.google.com/site/zl3buildathon/radionzinterview

Pictures taken at the ZL3 Buildathon by John ZL3IB can be found at:
http://www.nzart.org.nz/activities/ar-pictures/zl3-buildathon/

Information on the ZL3 Buildathon project can be accessed at:
https://sites.google.com/site/zl3buildathon/

More information on the NZARD and the ZL3 Buildathon can be downloaded from:
http://www.nzart.org.nz/assets/pdf/2011/Buildathon-2011.PDF-PDF@2.2 MB

Jamie ZL2NN

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Weird and Wonderful
For those that missed out on 'What Not To Do With Your Christmas Present' AKA 'You-Are-Doing-It-Wrong', here it is again

You-Are-Doing-It-Wrong!

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Information Sources
Wireless Institute of Australia (WIA),
The Radio Amateurs of Canada (RAC), and
American Radio Relay League (ARRL)

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Upcoming Events
1.. Papakura RC Challenge - 2011 National System Award
http://www.nzart.org.nz/activities/awards/zl1vk-nat-sys-award-challenge/

2.. National System Award 2011 - New Zealand Railway Stations
http://www.nzart.org.nz/activities/awards/national-system-award-2011/

3.. Te Puke Amateur Radio Club Inc. Sale 5-March-2011
http://www.nzart.org.nz/activities/events/te-puke-arc-sale/

4.. Wellington EXPO-11 & VHF Convention 23-April-2011
http://www.nzart.org.nz/activities/events/expo-2011/

5.. UPPER HUTT NZART Conference 2011 -
Pre-registration Prize Draw and Update
http://www.nzart.org.nz/activities/events/2010-upper-hutt-conf/

Contest News
VHF/UHF/SHF Contest
VHF++ DX Weekend Contest (1st SAT FEB) 05/06-FEB-2011
The rules are at: http://www.vhf.org.nz/VHF-UHF-SHF-ContestRules

Contest Calendar 2011
Contest Name
Date(s) 2011

2011 Ross Hull VK VHF Logs in by 14-FEB
ALL-JAN-2011

VHF++ DX Weekend Contest (1st SAT FEB)
05/06-FEB-2011

***Boat Anchor Sprint (2nd SAT FEB)
12-FEB-2011

2011 PACC (Dutch) DX Contest
12/13-FEB-2011

ARRL DX-CW
19/20-FEB-2011

Jock White Field Day (last full WE FEB)
26/27-FEB-2011

ARRL DX-SSB
05/06-MAR-2011

RSBG Commonwealth (BERU)
12/13-MAR-2011

VK John Moyle Memorial Field Day (3rd full WE MAR)
19/20-MAR-2011

CQ WW WPX SSB
26/27-MAR-2011

***Future Contests
In the results, received from ZL2KH, for the Nostalgia Night Contest, held on Saturday, 11 September 2010 there was a footnote that said:

"Because of a lack of participation, Mike ZL1MDS and Barrie ZL2LA have decided that Boat Anchor Sprints and Nostalgia Night contests will be cancelled in the meantime."
Housekeeping
1.. Break-In-Closing Date Reminder: Copy for the MARCH/APRIL issue of Break-In-closes on 10-MARCH-2011

2.. Copy for Break-In: Copy is welcome in most electronic formats but word.doc files are preferred. Photos and other graphics should be send as separate discrete files (*.jpg preferred); not as embedded pix in the body of the text. Please ensure that suitable descriptive captions/legends are included with your copy.
All received copy will be acknowledged to confirm receipt.
Thank you for your cooperation.
John Walker ZL3IB Editor.

3.. Break-In: Early receipt of copy is much appreciated

4.. Break-In-Yearly Contents Index: Can be found from 1947 at: http://www.nzart.org.nz/assets/breakin/index/all-bi-index.html

5.. Break-In-AREC Column: The close-of-copy date is the 03-MARCH-2011 for articles for publication in the AREC COLUMN OF BREAK-IN. Photos, if available, to be on a separate floppy or CD (with captions), posted DIRECTLY TO US. Use Call Book address. All other material can go to e-mail: zl3qr@nzart.org.nz or zl3ov@nzart.org.nz

6.. The ARRL and WIA Weekly News: Can be found at: http://www.nzart.org.nz/news/2010-news/

7.. Subscribe to and Un-Subscribe From Infoline: Please go to web at: http://www.nzart.org.nz/join/e-mail-lists/join-infoline-list/

Next NZART Official Broadcast is on SUNDAY 27-FEBRUARY-2011
Next HQ-Infoline e-mailed on SUNDAY 06-FEBRUARY-2011
Headquarters-Infoline is a twice-monthly bulletin of news from NZART Headquarters. News and items of a general or technical interest are also included that are obtained from various amateur sources. The bulletins are e-mailed directly to Branches, the amateur radio packet Bulletin Board Service and to others that subscribe through the NZART Website at: http://www.nzart.org.nz/join/e-mail-lists/join-infoline-list/

Past and present Infolines can be found at: http://www.nzart.org.nz/h-quarter/infoline/

A yearly timetable of when to expect the Official Broadcast and Infoline can be found at: http://www.nzart.org.nz/h-quarter/infoline/2011-timetable/

Regards, Jamie Pye ZL2NN, Editor zl2nn@nzart.org.nz

69. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 23rd January 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-23 21:00:14 UTC
From: news at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20110123210005.AD39833C37@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4909
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 23rd January 2011

Counties Contest

A final reminder that your log for the EI/GI Counties Contest needs to be sent to the contestmanager / at/ irts/ dot/ ie. All logs to be received by deadline February 2nd 2011. Your co-operation is much appreciated.

Request for Return of IRTS Trophies and Cups

It is time once again to recall all trophies presented at the 2010 IRTS, AGM held in Dundalk.

Trophies and Cups can be returned to the IRTS Stand at the Phoenix Radio Club Rally in Coolmine on Sunday February 20th 2011 or to any IRTS Committee Member before end of February 2011.

This will allow for any engraving to be done, or to allow any repairs as needed.

Early return will be appreciated. Peter EI4HX can be contacted on ei4hxperimental / at/eircom / dot/ net.

IRTS Awards Nominations.

The time is here again for nominations for the several awards for IRTS Trophies and cups that are required from within the membership, this includes the awards for,

1. Service to the Society or to Amateur Radio. Awards in this category can be to members or non-members.

2. Awards for other achievements.

Awards in this category [2] include the 4 and 6 Meter Shields, the SWL Award, and the awards for Quality Construction Projects. These are confined to members only.

When considering your nominations, please refer to previous successful winners as included in www.irts.ie/cgi/awards.cgi

Nominations may be from Clubs or Individuals, must be by post or e-mail, and can be forwarded to the Awards Committee Members, Pat EI2HX and Pat EI9HX, or to Peter Grant EI4HX, Chair of Awards Committee, QTHR, or by e-mail to ei4hxperimental/ at/ eircom/ dot/ net.

Closing date for nominations is February 30th 2011.

IRTS AGM Annual Dinner and Rally 2011

You are reminded of the importance of attending the IRTS AGM weekend, including Annual Dinner and Rally will be held this year on Saturday March 26th and Sunday March 27th. The event will be hosted by the Limerick Radio Club. The venue is the Radisson Blu Hotel, Ennis Road, Limerick. For more information contact, Ger McNamara EI4GXB on 087 2532512 or ei4gxb/ at /gmail/ dot/ com.

IRTS Committee Meeting

The next IRTS committee meeting will be held on February 5th in Portlaoise. All affiliated clubs representatives are encouraged to attend.

ECHO IRELAND

The deadline for submitting articles, advertising, etc, to Echo Ireland is February 5th 2011. Everyone is encouraged to submit articles to this journal for consideration for publication.

Engineers Week

This year Engineers Week, organised by Engineers Ireland, runs from 14 - 20 February. Once again the Society plans to participate in centres through the country. Currently under consideration are Athlone, Cork, Cavan, Dundalk., Mayo and Limerick. If you would like to participate please contact S&#65533;amus ei8bp / at / eircom /dot/net.

Your Club Listing on IRTS Website

Club Secretaries S&#65533;amus EI8BP as Web Editor is preparing to update the Clubs page on the Website. Some of this information is somewhat outdated. Please have a look at your club's entry on the IRTS Website and contact S&#65533;amus by Email at ei8bp / at / eircom / dot / net with any changes. The Website information is an important point of contact for prospective club members and an opportunity to promote your club.

Region 4 Theory Classes

Following on from the successful classes last year, plans are being put in place for Radio Theory classes in Limerick.

Classes will also include lots of practical sessions and will be based on the revised syllabus as detailed on the IRTS website.

Classes will commence in February depending on numbers and those interested in attending should contact Ger McNamara EI4GXB on 087 2532512 or ei4gxb / at /gmail / dot /com.

Cork City Radio Museum

North Cork Radio Group would like to ask the amateur Radio community for donations on behalf of the Cork City Radio Museum. The Museum for those not aware is situated in the old Governors House at Cork City Gaol and houses a wonderful collection of artefacts, including the RTE restored 6CK Radio Broadcasting studio.

Some years ago the museum was in the early phases of modernisation by the late Larry O'Sullivan EI8FJB, and a lot of Larry's work is still in place although sadly unfinished. As a result the museum is in need of restoration and TLC, the centre at present is only open to requested visits.

It is our intention with the help of the community to help the declining facility reach Larry's goals in bringing such a wonderful place back into the public access zone.

If anyone can help in donating any form of equipment from the nostalgic golden era right up in to present it would be greatly appreciated.

Anyone who can help with surplus items can contact either Anthony EI3GAB or Pat EI2GHB via info /at/ ei1nc/ dot/ com or at any NCRG meeting on the first and third Wednesday of the month. Information on the group is available at www.ei1nc.com

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Blackrock Castle Observatory Cork

North Cork Radio Group will be active EI1NC/P on February 19 and 20 from 10am until 5pm at Blackrock Castle Observatory a 16th century Castle located 4km from the heart of Cork city on the banks of the river Lee.

The Castle has seen many uses in its vast history and now houses the cutting edge of space and observation technology, more info on the Castle is available at www.bco.ie information on NCRG is available at www.ei1nc.com

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Theory Classes at DAR

Dundalk Amateur Radio Society, EI7DAR, will commence amateur radio theory classes Thursday February 3rd 2011. Classes will be held at the club premises 'Larkin House', 113, Castletown Road, Dundalk.

This is an excellent opportunity for anyone interested in obtaining their amateur radio Licence in an adult learning relaxed environment.

For further information and details please contact ei4dib / at /ei7dar/ dot/ com or by text only to 086 4066660. Everyone welcome.

Bangor and District Amateur Radio Society

Michael Stevenson GI4XSF, writes and tells us that Bangor and District Amateur Radio Society meet on the 1st Thursday of every month in "The Boathouse", Groomsport at 8pm.

At 8pm on Thursday 3rd March 2011 we are hosting a talk from Brian Clarke "Mr Marconi's magic box", which is a history of Marconi's involvement with the merchant navy.

As always, visitors are most welcome.

More information from Mike GI4XSF on 048 4277 2383, or club website:

http://www.bdars.com

West Tyrone Amateur Radio Club GN4OMA

WTARC are running an amateur radio foundation course.

Registration Date, Tuesday February 1st 2011. at 8pm.

Course instruction will start Saturday February 19th, 2011 and Saturday February 26th 2011. That is two Saturday afternoons.

Examination Date is March 1st 2011.

The Venue is Technology Education Centre, 2 Spillers Place, Omagh, BT78 1FA.

Everyone welcome and more information can be obtained from club website www.wtarc.co.uk.

Shannon Basin Amateur Radio Club

The Shannon Basin Radio Club will be holding its AGM on Friday the 28th Jan in Hannons Hotel, Roscommon at 20:00. All Members are requested to attend. Everyone is welcome and is encouraged to attend. Anyone who wishes to find out more can contact Brian EI8IU at 0862514822.

DX News

Mats SM6LRR is at present QRV from Sri Lanka as 4S7LRG mainly on 160, 80 and 40m. He is there till 4th February. He hopes to take part in the CQ WW 160m CW Contest at the end of the month so anyone needing 4S7 on Top Band should keep a look out for him. QSLs go via his home call.

Three Swedish amateurs are active from Madagascar until early February. They are signing 5R8HL and are located on the mainland IOTA AF-013 and on Nosy Be Island IOTA AF-057 at various times.

For the Island chasers quite a rare one is due next month with CN2LWL being operated by a group of Italian amateurs from Herne Island IOTA AF-068. Dates are 1 - 5 February and QSL info is via I8LWL.

Gerd DJ4KW and Gisela DK9GG will operate from V31YN and V31GW respectively in Belize until the end of next month. During the period 2 - 8 February they hope to go to Southwater Caye (IOTA NA-180) using the call V31YN/P.

The Microlight Penguins Group are off on another trip down south where they will activate VP8ORK from the South Orkney Islands. This is a rare one for DXCC purposes and should be on the air from 27th January till 8th February.

Radio Rallies

PHOENIX A.R.C.

Phoenix Amateur Radio Club annual rally will be held on Sunday 20th February 2011 in the usual venue, Coolmine Community School, Blanchardstown.

Doors open for Traders at 9.00 am Doors open to public 3.00am Admission 5 Euros. To book tables contact Tony at 0872439997 or Tom at 01-8211043.

Plenty of Parking, Refreshments and Bring and Buy Sale. All usual traders will attend.

This is the First Rally of 2011.

For further details on Rallies please see www.irts.ie/rallies

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Amateur Radio helps rescue co-ordination

Radio Amateurs in the Brazilian town of Nova Friburgo, have received high praise from the Brazilian civil defence authorities during the recent flooding there.

Lt Col Roberto Robadey, said, "without their help, we couldn't have done anything in those first two days," Radio amateurs took their radio

equipment to key points across the town to provide a communication link between rescue groups.

Radio History

On this day in 1909, the first Radio rescue at sea took place. The distress signal was CQD later to be replaced by SOS.

Items for inclusion in next weeks Radio News should be forwarded to Aidan EI7JC, preferably via e-mail to "news / dot /ei7jc / at / gmail / dot / com". Or by phone to 085 7100511 News can also be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor not later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

70. HOT FOR TENAGE GUYS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-24 01:28:00 UTC
From: SAMARA <jaidatta9247@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <2710fac6-c43f-4652-8554-2d2171584cde@y19g2000prb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4910

DEEPIKA PADUKONE HOT VIDEOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/deepika-padukone.html
HOT ARCHANA STILLS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/archana.html
DEEKSHA SETH HOT WALLPAPERS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/deeksha-seth.html
KATRINA KAIF HOT VIDEOS&PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/katrina-kaif.html
SAMEERAREDDY HOT BOOBS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/sameerareddy.html
HOT SEXY ACTRESS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/hot.html
latest hot sruthi hassan stills
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/shurthihassan-new-stills.html
UNSEEN HOT SEXY PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/never.html
SAMANTHA HOT SEXY PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/samantha.html
SEXY DIYA MIRZA
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/diya-mirza.html
HOT AISHWARIYA RAI
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/aish.html

71. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-24 01:40:06 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <1764eba1-09cb-4aaa-a12b-6baaae2784e8@d7g2000vbv.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4911

On Jan 23, 8:28 pm, SAMARA <jaidatta9...@gmail.com> wrote:
> DEEPIKA PADUKONE HOT VIDEOShttp://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/deepika-padukone.html

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72. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #995

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-24 07:07:22 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <256621.27335.qm@smtp102.sbc.mail.re3.yahoo.com>
Source record: 4912
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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January 24, 2011
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, K1XN & GoList, NJ1Q, W2VU, K3IRV, NG3K & ADXO, K4PG, N4AA & QRZ DX, W4FC, KH6BZF, N6AWD, N7UN, NN7A, K8YSE, W8GEX (60m News), K9EL, W9AEB, 4L5O, AT International, DL1SBF, DL7MAE & The DX News Letter, DxCoffee.com, DX-World.Net, EA1PP, F5NQL, F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX, HI8LAM, I1JQJ/IK1ADH & 425 DX News, OZ6OM & 50 MHz DX News, Pete's-DX-Newsdesk, RSGB IOTA Web Site, VA3RJ & ICPO, VHF-DX-Portal (MMMonVHF), VK3QB, VK3WM and ZL2TZE for the following DX information.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 16th-January, through Sunday, 23rd-January there were 225 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3C, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5V, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J7, JA, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T33, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9N, VK9X, VP2V, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZD9, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS, ZS8

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

2010 DX MARATHON REMINDER (Deadline Nears). John, K9EL, CQ DX Marathon Administrator, reports: "Just a reminder that log submissions for the 2010 DX Marathon must be in by 2359Z, 31 January 2011. Please visit <http://www.dxmarathon.com> for details on submitting your log. High

claimed scores will be posted on the website after the submission deadline. Plaque and Certificate winners for 2010 will be announced mid-year 2011 in CQ Magazine and on the website.
Please note that the DX Marathon E-mail server crashed and was down from 0500Z to 2200Z on January 19th. Any logs sent during that period are unfortunately lost and will need to be re-submitted. If you are not sure, a complete list of all logs received is posted on the website. If you do not see your call, please re-submit. We now have a backup E-mail server in place to prevent future problems. We apologize for any inconvenience caused.....73"

2011 DX PREFIX AND 10 BAND CHECKLISTS. Pete, G-13038, from Pete's DX Newsdesk, reports: "As you know the DXCC country total has recently increased from 338 to 340 countries. So, I have updated the various prefix and 10 band checklists on my DX Newsdesk Web page. If you go to the Web page at <http://www.dx-newsdesk.co.uk> you will see a button to click to access the lists. They are in Doc, Excel and PDF formats. Help yourself and feel free to pass them on to your friends. Please, E-mail me if you want the Zipped file (881 KB) sent direct as an E-mail attachment to: dx_newsdesk@yahoo.co.uk or pete@dx-newsdesk.co.uk "

4L, GEORGIA. Operator Omari, 4L5O, will be active during the CQ 160-Meter CW Contest (Janaury 28-30th) as a Single-Op entry. QSL via N3SL.

4Z20, ISRAEL. The Israel Amateur Radio Club (IARC) is proud to announce a special 3 month activity for the Holyland Contest's 20th anniversary, starting February 1st, through April 30th, 2359z. Look for the following honorary activations of two special prefixes/callsigns, 4X20HC and 4Z20HC. Activity will be used on CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via 4Z4TL. For more details about the Holyland Contest, see: http://www.iarc.org/~4z4tl/4X20HC_fil.htm

5X, UGANDA. Nick, G3RWF, will once again be active as 5X1NH from Fort Portal in western Uganda, and will be there between February 20th and April 14th. Usually he is there to do voluntary work, so his activity is usually outside the work hours. He prefers to operate CW but plans to also be on the Digital modes with some SSB. Activity will be on all bands except 160m (no room for an antenna). His rig is a K3. QSL via his home callsign and LoTW.

8P, BARBADOS. Nathan, KA1YMX, will be active and on vacation from here between February 26th and March 5th. Activity will be on CW and SSB using an Elecraft K2. No other details are available. QSL via his home callsign.

8Q, MALDIVES. Andrew, G7COD, is once again active as 8Q7AK. This time from Embudu Island on the South Male Atoll, Maldives (AS-013), between February 5th and approximately February 18th. He states that this trip is a holiday and plans to be active on 80-10 meters, including 30/17/12 meters, using CW and SSB. The following are suggested times of operations: 0730-0830z, 0900-1030z, 1300-1500z and 1730-1800z. Suggested frequencies (+/- QRM) are:

CW - 3503, 7003, 10103, 14003, 18073, 21003 and 24893 kHz
SSB - 3795, 7063, 14190, 18133, 21253 and 24953 kHz"
He also hopes to have limited operation on the 160m band but this is not confirmed. QSL via his home callsign, direct (see Web page) or by the Bureau. Andrew now has a dedicated Web page at: http://8q7ak.freewebspace.com

9G, GHANA. Operators Kees/PE1KL and Lisa/PA2LS will be active as 9G5LK from a local clay beach house located near the village of Ampenyi, close to Cape Coast and Elmina, between April 28th and May 6th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using SSB, PSK31 and RTTY. QSL via PA2LS. Visit their DXpedition Web site at: http://www.pe1kl-pa2ls.com
By the way, an award is available for working them. All you need is 2 QSOs with 9G5LK on 2 different bands or 2 different modes.

9K50, KUWAIT (Special Event). Look for amateur radio operators in Kuwait to use the special prefix "9K50" between January 26th and February 28th. Activity is to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Kuwait's independence. Also, 9K50NLD will be on the air between February 24-28th. Activity will be from the members of the Kuwait Amateur Radio Society (KARS).

ANZA NET. Lindsay, VK3WM, Team Boss for the "Australia, New Zealand and Africa DX Net" (ANZA), would like to bring the readers of the OPDX up-to-date on the operation of the ANZA net. He states, "The net runs every day on 20m on 14.183 kHz with a different net controller each day, and all nets start at 0515z and run for about one hour depending on the DX. Also, there is a 15m net on 21.205 kHz on Saturdays starting at 0445z. The line up is: Friday - John/VK4LJ, Saturday - Morris/ZL1ANF, Sunday - Col/VK4CC, Monday - Jamie/NH7U, Tuesday - Lindsay/VK3WM, Wednesday - Ray/VK4NH, Thursday - Rob/ZLIRD for 20m, and 15m Alan/VK3HGN. We also have a Web page at <http://anzadx.net>."

AO1, SPAIN (AAW Op). Spanish operators Fernando/EA1GHT, Gil/EA1HFM, Dani/EB1LA, Javi/EC1KV, Juan/Carlos EA1AUM, Juanjo/EA1WX, Carri/EA1CUB and Luis EA1CS will activate AO1AWW during the "8th Antarctic Activity Week" between February 21-27th. Reference Number is WAP-203. Activity will be on all bands and modes. QSL via EA1GHT. A full list of AAW participating stations can be found at: http://www.waponline.it/Default.aspx?tabid3

C6, BAHAMAS. Operators Bob/N4BP (C6AKQ) and Kevin/K4PG (C6APG) will once again be in Freeport, Lucaya, Bahamas, for the ARRL International DX CW Contest (February 19-20th) as individual entries (Bob/C6AKQ on 80 meters and Kevin/C6APG on 40 meters). A third operator "may" join them to operate on 160 meters, but that is not known at this time. Bob is expected to arrive early on February 15th and stay through February 22nd. While Kevin will arrive on February 17th and stay through February 21st. Prior to the contest, they will be operating on the 30/17/12 meter bands, HF bands using CW and probably the Digital modes. QSL direct to their home callsigns with SASE and/or LoTW.

CARIBBEAN TOUR. Spanish operators Marcos/EA1PP, Oscar/EB1HF and Recio/EC1DPM will be visiting two islands in the Caribbean during the first half of February. Activity will be holiday style from the following locations:
Bonaire (PJ4) - Callsign PJ4/EA1PP; February 5-10th
Curacao (PJ2) - Callsign PJ2/EA1PP; February 11-16th.
Operation will be on SSB and RTTY (bands not provided). Look for PJ2/EA1PP to be active during the CQ WPX RTTY Contest (February 12-13th). QSL both callsigns via EA1PP.

CN, MOROCCO. Operators Ahmed/CN8WK, IK1QBT, Stefano/IK2QEI, Matteo/IK2SGC, Flavio/IK1SPR, Fabio/IV3BAZ, Gianfranco/IV3JCC, Maurizio/IV3ZXQ and Saaid/CN8WW will be active as CN3A from Safi during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 19-20th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via LoTW or via I2WIJ. Visit their Web page at: http://www.facebook.com/pages/CN3A/112969535390789

CQ NEWS (Press Release). Richard Moseson, W2VU, Editorial Director, sent out the following on January 18th: "WorldRadio Online Analysis Shows Ham Activity, Code Use, Both Up Since End of Code Testing -- An analysis by WorldRadio Online columnist Randall Noon, KC0CCR, suggests that levels of on-air ham activity and Morse code usage both have increased since the FCC dropped the requirement for Morse code testing in early 2007. Noon is the magazine's FISTS columnist. FISTS is an organization that promotes the use of Morse code among hams.
Writing in the February issue of WorldRadio Online, Noon based his analysis on a combination of FCC licensing statistics and published results of ARRL Field Day activity from 2005 to 2009. He used Field Day data on the assumption that 'people who participate in Field Day are at least minimally active hams.'
Comparing statistics for Field Day activity with the total number of licensees, Noon determined that both the raw number and the percentage of licensed hams operating in Field Day had increased since 2007. In addition, he found that the number of Morse code (CW) contacts in Field Day had increased as well, hitting an all-time peak in 2009. This is significant, he says, 'because it is assumed that hams will use the same modes on Field Day that they do when operating at other times.'
Since the FCC stopped requiring code tests, Noon concluded, 'it appears that the use of CW has gained in absolute usage because the newer hams licensed since 2007 appear to be more actively engaged in the hobby, as evident by the higher levels of participation in Field Day.'
Noon's complete analysis appears in the February 2011 issue of World-Radio Online, which will be posted on or about January 20 on <www.worldradiomagazine.com>. The magazine is available to readers at no charge.
WorldRadio Online is an advertiser-supported publication of CQ Communications, Inc., which also publishes CQ Amateur Radio, CQ VHF and Popular Communications magazines. Richard Fisher, KI6SN, is the Editor."

CTU (2011) WEBINAR. On Monday, February 7th, at 8:30 PM EST (Tuesday, February 8th - 0130z), Tim Duffy, K3LR, will present a look at Contest University (CTU) 2011, including the course line up and list of professors. Tim will review past years and tell you what makes CTU 2011 the best yet.

You will find out what previous students have had to say about CTU and why you should attend this year. Registration for this Webinar can be done at: https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/741726946
A URL is also available at <http://www.pvrc.org> under "Upcoming Webinars".

D4, CAPE VERDE. John IK5CRH, Operators John/IK5BCM, Beppe/IK5CBE and Andrea will be active as D44TBE from Sal Island (AF-086) between February 2-9th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters, possibly 160m (depending on the space), using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via IK5CRH.

EA8, CANARY ISLANDS. Operators Andrea/IK1PMR and Claudia/PA3LEO are now active as EA8/homecall until March 8th. Activity will be holiday style on 160-6 meters. QSL via PA3LEO or to the LoTW.

FH, MAYOTTE. Bruno, DH1BL, is currently active as FH/DH1BL from Mayotte (AF-027) for the next 3 years. He hopes to get "FH" callsign in the near future. He uses a FT-920 w/100 watts into a 5-band antenna (20/17/15/12/10 meters) mounted 9m above the ground. Bruno was spotted this past week on 20 meters SSB around 14225 kHz after 1430z. QSL via his QSL Manager DL7BC, by the Bureau or direct. Cards will be printed once a FH callsign is issued to him, so please be patient when sending QSLs to his manager.

FJ, ST. BARTHELEMY. Daryl, W7TAE, will be active as FJ/W7TAE from St. Barthelemy (NA-146) between January 23-28th. Activity will be on 40/20/17 meter mainly SSB. QSL via his home callsign.

FM, MARTINIQUE. Rene, F5LGE, is now active FM/F5LGE until January 30th. Activity is 160 and 80 meters only and on CW. Operations seem to take place between 2330-0730z. QSL via F5LGE, by the Bureau or direct to: Courgibet Rene, 13 Ruelle Crepion, 51240 ST Germain la Ville, FRANCE.

FM, MARTINIQUE. Bernard, F5LBG (UFT member), is now active as FM/homecall from Rivi&#65533;re Sal&#65533;e until February 3rd. Activity will be holiday style, QRP and using 5 watts. Look for him daily around 1000z and 1800z. The suggested frequencies are: 10106, 14060 and 18096 kHz. QSL via F5LBG when he is back home, direct or by the Bureau.

FS, ST. MARTIN. Members of the Castalia Island DX Association, George/W4LW and Fred/K4FMD, will once again be active as FS/K4UP from St. Martin (NA-105) between January 28th and February 5th. Activity will be on 20/15/12/10 meters SSB, depending on the propagation. QSL direct to K4UP.

HI0, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC. Members of the Radio Club Dominicano Inc. invite you to celebrate the "Month of the Patria" beginning 0000z on January 26th, and ending at 2359z on February 27th, by working their special event station HI0RCD. Activity is to commemorate the birthday of their father of the Patria, Juan Pablo Duarte, and to celebrate their 167th anniversary of independence. A special QSL card will be sent to all the stations that have a contact with their 9 different circuit affiliate stations. QSL via Bureau. Activity will be on 160/80/40/20/17/15/10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. Look also for HI0RCD to be active on the AO-51 Satellite. For more details, see QRZ.com or visit Luis's, HI8LAM, Blog

page at: http://www.hi8lam.blogspot.com

HI, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC. Claudio, HB9OAU, will be active as HI7/HB9OAU from Bayahibe, Dominican Republic (NA-096), between February 6-18th. Activity will be holiday style on 80-10 meters using SSB. Claudio may possibly activate Saona and Catalina Islands, both IOTA NA-122 as HI2/HB9OAU. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

HS8, THAILAND. Voravut, HS8JYX, from Paknum Muang Krabi, is planning to be in the CQ 160-Meter CW Contest (January 28-30th) as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. QSL via HS8JYX, LoTW or eQSL. He states he will use an inverted L antenna and transmit the power limit at about 50 watts. Visit his Web page at: http://www.hs8jyx.com

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-069. Sergey, US0IW, hopes to activate the rare Iony Island in the Sea of Okhotsk sometime in July. Operation is in the early planning stages. More details are forthcoming.

NA-008. Jay, VY1JA, will once again be active as VY0JA from the CFS Alert Arctic base on Ellesmere Island for the last time starting February 26th. Operation will last about 5 weeks. Using a FT-990 at power and dipoles at 15 feet, look for Jay to be active on 30 meters, 40 meters, and 20 meters (in that order) during the evenings and weekends. The mode will be mainly CW, but Digital will be used and SSB can be requested by using the E-mail address at the top of the VY1JA QRZ.com page. QSL via N3SL; JA stations to JA3JM. This activity is also valid for the Arctic Challenge program.

NA-067. Operators Amanda/KI4IWS and Bill/KG4CXY will be active as W4OTN from Core Banks Barrier Island (USI NC033S, WLOTA 0596, Pamlico County, North Carolina) between July 29th and August 1st. Activity will include an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st). Outside of the contest, they will be active on 80-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL W4OTN, by the Bureau or direct (QRZ.com).

NA-091. Christian, F5IDM, will be active as VE7/F5IDM from Quadra Island (CISA BC006, WLOTA 1757) between January 29-30th. Activity will be on the HF bands on or near the usual IOTA and island frequencies. QSL direct or KH6 bureau to F5IDM.

SA-046. Members of Casa do Radioamador de Pernambuco (CRAPE) will be active as PY7CRA from Itamaraca Island (DIB-018) between February 11-13th. Operators mentioned are Cris/PY7GK, Luiz/PY7LZ, Ben/PY7VI, Jim/PY7XC, Ciro/PY7ZY and Luiz/PU7RLM. Activity will be on all HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL via PY7CRA, direct or by the Bureau.

SA-055. Operators Ezequiel/LU1EEZ and Mark/LU7CAW will be active as homecall/D from Martin Garcia Island between February 23-28th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters. QSL LU1EEZ/D direct and

LU7CAW/D by the Bureau.

J7, DOMINICA (Update). Guy, N7UN, reports in "DX News Release #2": "The 'Buddies in the Caribbean' DXpedition (Team #1) which specializes in 100 watt or less low power radios and the Buddipole portable antenna systems will be on Dominica (J7), February 1-9th, 2011. We plan to stay at the Calibishie Cove hotel <http://www.calibishiecove.com> on the north shore of Dominica. The entire mini-DXpedition is limited to equipment that can fit in your airline suitcases (75 lbs / 34 kg max). With J7 licenses, the eight operators are: Budd/J79FF (W3FF), Chris/J79HFP (W6HFP), Dan/J79ZP (WZ1P), Paul/J79AVO (KB9AVO), Mike/J79VG (KC4VG), Steve/J79AT (wG0AT), Wey/J79EA (K8EAB), and Guy/J79UN (N7UN). There will be 3 hotel stations in operation at various times on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB, and RTTY. During the day, several teams will be battery-only, field portable either from Dominica beaches, scenic mountain tops, or national parks. 160m and 80m CW operations are planned, conditions permitting. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, or mail to the operator's home callsign (SASE required)."

J7, DOMINICA. Lars, SM0CCM, will be active as J73CCM from Dominica (NA-101) between February 21st and March 28th. Activity should be on all bands using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. Look for Stig, SM3PHM, to join him in Dominica on March 14th, and be active as J79M. Stig's favorite band is 160 meters and CW. He will stay with Lars until March 28th, where both will travel back to Sweden together. QSL via their home callsigns. Bureau is preferred. Also QSL via LoTW.

KG4, GUANTANAMO BAY (60m Op). Tip, N4SIA (KG4AS) and a group of operators plan to activate this country as an all time new one on 60 meters between February 22nd and March 8th.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (For January 24-30th)....
Jan 24 AN SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS
Jan 25 AN --------------------
Jan 26 AN BN - Below Normal
Jan 27 AN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Jan 28 AN LN - Low Normal
Jan 29 AN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Jan 30 AN-HN DIS - Disturbed
VDIS - Very Disturbed

GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

KH8, AMERICAN SAMOA. Ron, WA8LOW, (along with others - not named) will be active as WA8LOW/KH8 from American Samoa between July 30th and August 14th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. They plan to use high power stations with beam antennas (40-6m) and verticals on 160/80m. QSL direct to WA8LOW.

LX, LUXEMBOURG. Operator Marcus, DL1EKC, will be active as LX7I during the CQ 160-Meter CW Contest (January 28-30th) as a Single-Op/High-Power entry. QSL via LX2A. Logs will be put on the LoTW.

PJ2, CURACAO. Peter, DF7DQ, is now active as PJ2/DF7DQ from Curacao (SA-099, WLOTA LH-0942) for the next two months primarily on business, but also relaxation and ham radio. Activity this past week was mainly on 40 and 30 meters PSK. Peter plans to apply for a local PJ2 callsign. QSL PJ2/DF7DQ via EA5GVH by the Bureau or direct to: P.O.Box 651, Willemstad - Curacao - Netherlands Antilles. For pictures and updates: http://www.df7dq.de

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated January 23rd)

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3B9/F6HMJ via F6HMJ DU1/IZ7ATN via IZ7ATN LY13E via LY3NX
5R8HL via SM1ALH DU1/SM0MDG via SM0MDG LY13H via LY2H
7P8JW via N6JW DX1HBC via DU1HBC LY13J via LY3J
9M2/R6AF/P via R6AF EV85DOSAAF/2 via EW1WA LY13Q via LY4Q
9M6RHM via NI5DX GB2HLS via M0HFC LY13T via LY2QT
A41PB via EB7DX HG1DX via HA1XR LY13W via LY3W
BN100 via BM2JCC HG2W via HA2QW LY13X via LY3X
CE6/F6DXE via F6DXE HG3DX via HA1DAE PT2ZXR via DJ0XR
CE9/PA3EXX via VE3LYC HG3IPA via HA3JB R3/DL5EBE via
DL5EBE
CO8LY via EA7ADH (direct) HG3X via HA3IN UK8GK via RW6HS (direct
only)
CS7/PD0HNL via NL13565 HG4F via HA4FF XE3TT via EA5KB
DL1JAM via OZ4ADP II7CL via IQ7MU XT2RJA via K3QF

QSL 4V1 via the QSL Manager N3OS.

HH/PA5M QSL STATUS. "DX-World.net" reports that Michael, PA5M, states, "The HH2/PA5M QSL cards finally arrived from printer after the first lot got lost in the mail. All who have sent direct cards with sufficient postage will have their cards answered soon! All Bureau cards will be answered soon after."

PIRATE ALERT (ZL9BS/ZL9BI). Phillip, ZL2TZE, would like to bring to the attention of the readers of OPDX News that this Pirate Station is active again on the CW section of 40 meters. This station has been heard over the last 2 or 3 weeks and is a Pirate .. 7008 to 7010 last worked 14th Jan @ 1442z 7010.. Please report any activity or better capture a 20 second MP3 audio file and post it to: IntruderWatch@googlegroups.com Please do not send green stamps etc for QSL cards. Phillip states, "We need to catch this person so please help us out....73"

RI1ANR QSL STATUS. Nick, RK1PWA, reports that after the termination of the DXpedition of the RI1ANR operation, he will begin mailing QSL cards. Approximately in April-May of 2011.

V31JZ QSLS. Please note that Art, NN7A, is the only QSL Manager for V31JZ. He states that "ONE" logbook for the year 1996 is not available

but all other logbooks between 1989-2010 are available.

PLEASE NOTE: Bob, W5KNE, has been getting questions about being the QSL Manager for the current VK9XN operation by a JA group. Bob states that he can only confirm QSOs for his 1992 VK9XN operation and NOT the JA group's operation.

YJ0VK QSL STATUS. Chris, VK3QB, reports that QSL cards arrived January 10th, from the printer. QSL Manager Allan, VK2CA, has confirmed that QSL requests are now being processed. For details visit the Web site at: http://yj0vk.vkham.com/news/default.html
Chris states, "The team apologizes for the lengthy delay in getting the cards together [illegible] it appears that there were problems with post and customs [illegible] but now they are on their way."

QSLS VIA LoTW: 6W7SK, 9A4RX, C6ANM, D2EB, DF2UU, DP4T, EA1DR, G4IIY, I0MWI, SV2FPU/8, TC03W, VE3OI, VP9/WW3S and YO3JF

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 5N7M, 9L5VT, AT10BP, C5A, C50C, C56E, LA2GRA, MU/F5CWU, OH9AA/p, OX/DF9TM, OX/DL2SWW, PJ2/N2MF, PJ4A, PJ4D, PJ4W, PJ6A, PJ7/K1GI, PJ7E, PZ5T, S79K, VP9HE, YJ0HA, YJ0VK, Z21BB and ZD9AH

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 5B/UT0U, 5N0OCH, CT9/DJ0JE, DA0HC, DF0ESA, DG6HD, DK0DAN/LH, DL0FTP, DL0THR, DL1JEN, DL4JS/6W, DL6OO, DR4X, DR9P, DR2010L, EA1SB, EG5FUV, GI7AXB, HB0/OE9SDV, HF100ZHP, HF680TAR, IK4RUX/4, IK6CLD, IQ5FI, IZ4JMA, IZ8FRH, K3NEM, LZ1NK, MS0ZET, OL80OK, ON9DAMIAN, ON50RN, PA1EJ, PG3N, PI4NAF, RD3AF, RL6YXX, SN51OGP, SP3EWP, SP6VWX, SP7HJJ, SQ80MKW, TA3SA, TF3AO, TF4M, TP60CE and YP1WFF

RW2, KALININGRAD. Members of the UA2 Contest Club will be active as RW2F during the CQ 160-Meter CW Contest (January 28-30th) as a Multi-Op entry. QSL via DK4VW.

SILENT KEY. It was reported that Sigrid, DL7CN, became a Silent Key (SK) on December 24th, after a short illness. She together with Frank/DL7FT (SK 2004) had some DXpeditions in the Pacific area. OPDX and its readers would like to send out our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of DL7CN.

SPECIAL EVENT (Ronald Reagan Centennial). Look for two amateur radio clubs in California to activate special event stations in honor of the 100th birthday of former President Ronald Reagan on February 6th.
* The Ventura County Amateur Radio Society will operate N6R from Thousand Oaks, California, from 1600z on Sunday, February 6th, through 0200z Monday, February 7th, and intermittently at other times on Saturday (February 5th) and Monday (February 7th). Suggested frequencies are (+/- QRM):
CW - 3545, 7045, 14045, 21045 and 28045 kHz
SSB - 3820, 7260, 14255, 21320 and 28490 kHz
* As well as local repeaters and FM simplex.
More details are available at: http://www.qrz.com/db/n6r
E-mail scheduled requests for <n6rn6r@aol.com>. QSL via N6ZE, w/SASE (no eQSL or LoTW).

* The Santa Barbara Amateur Radio Club will operate W6R at various times
and from various locations on Friday, February 4th through Monday,
February 7th. Main operation will be on February 5th, from 0300-2100z.
In addition, a rover operation from the Reagan ranch is scheduled on
February 7th. For updates and QSL information, see the following Web
page at: http://www.sbarc.org/w6r.html

TC2011, TURKEY (Special Event). Look for special event station TC2011EWU
to be active during the 2011 World University Winter Games being held in
Erzurum, Turkey, between January 27th and February 6th. Members of the
Turkish Radio Club Station (TRAC Bursa Subesi - YM3KB) will be active on
all bands using CW, SSB, PSK and ROS. Station's scheduled activity on
bands, frequencies and modes, will be available online at:
http://www.facebook.com/?ref=me#!/profile.php?id=100001715248764
QSL via the address on QRZ.com or by the Bureau.

V2, ANTIGUA. Operators Dave/W9DR, Dave/K9UK and Tom/W9AEB will operate
holiday style from Antigua (NA-100, Grid Square FK97BD) between June
14-28th. Look for W9DR to be active as V25DR and concentrate on 6 meters
SSB/CW on 50.115 MHz. Look for K9UK to be active as V25DD and W9AEB as
V25TP and operate on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and PSK31. Additional
information will be available on the TBA Web site. QSL via their home
callsigns.

VISALIA DX CONVENTION (IOTA Dinner Banquet). The 16th annual "Islands
On The Air" (IOTA) Dinner will be held in conjunction with the 62th
annual Visalia International DX Convention on Friday, April 15th, in
the Plaza Room of the Holiday Inn Hotel, 9000 W. Airport Drive, Visalia,
CA. Program will be presented by Martin/G3ZAY, Dominic/M0BLP and Mike/K9AJ.
For further information contact N6VR at: rayn6vr@cableone.net

VP5, TURKS AND CAICOS. Karol, G0UNU (ex-ZD8KR), will be active as VP5/G0UNU
from Grand Turk (NA-003) between January 31st and February 6th. Activity
will be holiday style (because he is on a tour group). Operations will
be on 40-10 meters between 1200-1400z, and possibly other times. He will
use a TS-480 and a vertical antenna near the edge of the ocean. QSL via
his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. No eQSL.

VP8O, SOUTH ORKNEY ISLANDS. Members of the Microlight Penguins departed
Ushuaia, Argentina, on board the "RV Braveheart" on Friday, January 21st,
to head to South Orkney Islands (AN-008). If all goes well, VP8ORK should
be active between January 27th and February 8th. They expect to be on the
air with 7 stations on all HF bands 160-10 meters using SSB, CW and RTTY.
Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1826.5, 3504, 7004, 10104, 14024, 18074, 21024, 24894 and 28024 kHz
SSB - 3799, 7078, 14200, 18145, 21295, 24945 and 28475 kHz
RTTY - 7040, 10140, 14080, 18100, 21080 and 28080 kHz
If you want a QSL card, there are three ways available to receive one:
OQRS direct (on the VP8O Web page), OQRS Bureau (on the VP8O Web page)
and direct by mail via VE3XN [w/SASE/Green Stamps/IRC(s)]. For more
details and updates, visit the VP8O Web page at: http://www.vp8o.com
By the way, real-time news is now available at:
http://www.vp8o.com/realtimenews.htm

XT, BURKINA FASO. Jon, K3QF, is now active as XT2RJA from Ouagadougou
for the next few weeks. QSNs show that he has been on 40/30/20/17/15
meters using CW, RTTY and PSK. There is a report that he will also try
to be on other bands too, including 160m. QSL via K3QF.

YE1, INDONESIA. Operators Yon/YB1CCF, Gus/YB1ALL, Nyoman/YB1NWP, Terry/
YC1KAF, Jo/YC0LOW, Danu/YD1GCL and Joz/YD1JZ will be active as YE1C
during the CQ 160-Meter CW Contest (January 28-30th) as a Multi-Single
entry. QSL YE1C to: West Java DX Association, PO. Box 1042, Bandung,
40010 Indonesia. Visit their Web page at: http://ye1c.wordpress.com

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Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
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73. ATTRACTIVE HOT PHOTOS&VIDEOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-24 14:51:08 UTC
From: RHANI <raghavaraghavi2862@gmail.com>
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LATEST KATRINA HOT VIDEOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/katrinahot.html
DEEPIKA PADUKONE HOT VIDEOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/deepika-padukone.html
HOT ARCHANA STILLS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/archana.html
DEEKSHA SETH HOT WALLPAPERS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/deeksha-seth.html
KATRINA KAIF HOT VIDEOS&PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/katrina-kaif.html
SAMEERAREDDY HOT BOOBS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/sameerareddy.html
HOT SEXY ACTRESS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/hot.html
latest hot sruthi hassan stills
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/shurthihassan-new-stills.html
UNSEEN HOT SEXY PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/never.html
SAMANTHA HOT SEXY PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/samantha.html
SEXY DIYA MIRZA
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/diya-mirza.html
HOT AISHWARIYA RAI
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/aish.html
priyamani hot&sexy photos
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KATRINA SEXY PHOTOS
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ANUSHKA HOT PHOTOS
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Message-ID: <0cff7679-53ed-4e6f-8c71-18824691e8dd@22g2000prx.googlegroups.com>
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75. [DXNL] DXNL 1712 (Jan 26, 2011)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-25 00:39:19 UTC
From: Michael Oerter <dj5av@kabelbw.de>
Message-ID: <001f01cbbc27$cfb9d540$6600a8c0@pumax>
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EA8 - Canary Islands: Andrea, EA8/IK1PMR, and Claudia, EA8/PA3LEO, will spend their vacations January 20th through March 8th operating on 160 through 6 m. QSLs for both calls via PA3LEO, and by LoTW also.

FH - Mayotte: Bruno, DH1BL, will be living on Mayotte (AF-027) for the next three years. Currently he is active as FH/DH1BL. He will have cards printed when he is sure about his call. QSL via DL7BC, direct or via bureau.

FJ - St. Barthelemy: Daryl, FJ/W7TAE, will be active January 23rd through 28th mainly SSB on 40, 20 and 17 m on Saint Barthelemy (NA-146). QSL via home call, direct or via bureau.

FM - Martinique: Rene, FM/F5LGE, will stay in Martinique until January 30th. He is active on 80 and 160 m, mainly using CW. QSL, direct or via bureau to his home call.

Also Bernard, FM/F5LBG, currently is active from Martinique and will stay until February 3rd. Find him daily using 5 Watts QRP at 10:00 and 18:00 UTC using CW on preferred frequencies 10.106, 14.060, and 18.096 MHz. QSL direct or via REF bureau to his home call.

J7 - Dominica: "Buddies in the Caribbean" DXpedition Team #1, especialy using 100 Watts or less power to "Buddipole portable" antenna systems from different DXCC entities is on route again: Eight operators Budd/J79FF (W3FF), Chris/J79HFP (W6HFP), Dan/J79ZP (WZ1P), Paul/J79AVO (KB9AVO), Mike/J79VG (KC4VG), Steve/J79AT (W/G0AT), Wey/J79EA (K8EAB), and Guy/J79UN (N7UN) intend to activate Dominica February 1st through 9th from the "Calibashie Cove Hotel" (www.calibishiecove.com/) situated at the north coast of Dominica. They will be on the air on 160 through 10 m using CW, SSB, and RTTY with three tansceivers simultaniously, additionally using field stations on battery power from summits, national parks or the beach. QSLs to appropiate home

calls, also by LoTW, or eQSL. A webside is in preparation.

JT - Mongolia: Ken, K4ZW, will continue to be active as JT1ZW and JT5DX through February 2nd mainly on the lowbands, including participation with CQWW 160 m CW contest.

PJ2 - Curacao: Karl, PJ2/OE3JAG, intends an operation in Curacao holiday style January 30th through February 11th using 40/30/20/17/12 m, mostly CW. QSL via LoTW, direct or via bureau. Request of bureau cards also by e-mail to karl@oe3jag.com .

Peter, PJ2/DF7DQ, currently is active on Curacao (SA-099, WLOTA LH-0942) for a two months' job. Find him mainly on 40 or 30 m with PSK. QSL via bureau to EA5GVH or direct to: P.O. Box 651, Willemstad, Curacao, Netherlands Antilles. Also find him at: www.df7dq.de .

PJ6 - Saba: Mike, PJ6/G4IUF, will be active holiday style from Saba (NA-145) January 27th through March 3rd. He will operate CW and SSB on 80/40/20/15/10 m. Preferred frequencies:
CW: 7 kHz from band's edge;
SSB: 3.797, 7.147, 14.157/14.247, 21.277, and 28.477 MHz.
Equipment is IC-7000 and W3DZZ antenna. QSL via home call, direct or via bureau.

VP8/O - South-Orkney-Islands: Members of "Microlite Penguins DXpedition Team"
will be on the air as VP8ORK from AN-008 January 27th through February 8th on their fifth trip. Members of the team are Ralph, K9ZO, Tom, ND2T,
James, 9V1YC, Ralph, K0IR, Don, N1DG, Wes, W3WL, Mike, N6MZ, Nodir, EY8MM, Steve, K6AW, George, N4GRN, Jerry, WB9Z, Lew, W7EW, and John, VE3EJ. They will go there with "RV Braveheart", a ship well known for transporting DXpedition teams. Activity will include all bands 160 through 10 m with SSB, CW, and RTTY. Mainly they intend to give a chance to DXers all over the world for a new entity and band points. They intend to be on the air with seven stations simultaniously with Elecraft K3 transceivers, Acom 1010 PAs, verticals for 40 through 10 m, BigIR verticals, and "Battle Creek Special" for 80/160 m. At sunrise/sunset time they will be on 80 m (CW and SSB) and 160 m simultaniously. The effort will cost about 300.000 US $, so they are looking for donations. QSL via Garry, VE3XN, by OQRS direct, or OQRS buro, both possible on DXpedition's homepage (www.vp8o.com), or direct to VE3XN. Last minute news also at www.vp8o.com/realtimenews.htm .
These are the announced frequencies (MHz) von VP8ORK:
BAND SSB CW RTTY
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10 m 28.470 28.024 28.089
12 m 24.987 24.892 24.917
15 m 21.295 21.024 21.089
17 m 18.145 18.070 18.103

20 m 14.190 14.024 14.089
30 m --- 10.104 10.149
40 m 7.055 7.024 7.040
80 m 3.781 3.524 3.590
160 m 1.843 1.827 ---

VP9 - Bermuda: Look for Seppo, VP9/OH1VR, January 27th through February 1st on Bermuda (NA-005), also in the CQWW 160 m CW contest as Single-OP/ Low-Power. QSL via home call, find him also at: http://www.oh1vr.net .

XT - Burkina Faso: Jon, K3QF, will be in Burkina Faso for the next few week s.
He is QRV as XT2RJA usually during his evening hours. He hopes to be active in the CQWW 160 m DX Contest. QSL via K3QF.

6W - Senegal / J5 - Guinea-Bissau: Peter, HA3AUI, is going back to Africa. He will be active in his spare time as either 6W2SC from Cabrousse, Senegal, or J5UAP from Varela, Guinea-Bissau between February 1st and March 31st. Peter plans to operate mainly CW and digital modes on 160 through 10 m. His equipment includes an Elecraft K3-Transceiver, 500 Watts linear and 5 bands-Spiderbeam, as well as verticals. QSL via HA3AUI - direct only. His webside is at http://cqafrica.net .

8P - Barbados: Look for Tony/N3ME and his son Bernie/W3UR to be on the air January 26th through February 14th as 8P9ME and 8P9UR in Cave Bay, St. Philip Parish, Barbados (NA-021). They intend activity on all bands 80 through 10 m using CW, SSB, PSK, and RTTY. QSLs to home calls, direct, via bureau, or by LoTW.

Dominican Republic, special call: Members of "Radio Club Dominicano Inc." will use special call HI0RCD January 26th through February 27th comemmorating liberator Juan Pablo Duarte (http://de.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pablo_Duarte) and 167 years of independance on 160/80/40/20/17/15/10 m CW, SSB, digital modes, and on AO-51 Satellite. QSL via bureau. Find this event also at: www.hi8lam.blogspot.com .

Kazakstan, special call: "7. Asian Winter Games" will be held January 30th through February 6th in Kasachstan. Listen to several special calls like UN2011G good for special diplomes.

Kuwait, special call: For the event of 50 years of independence of Kuwait "Kuwait Amateur Radio Society" (KARS) got the specia L call 9K50NLD for February 24th through 28th time frame. January 26th through late February ham radio stations of Kuwait are also allowed to use the prefix 9K50.

Pirates:

The call of John, ZD9GI (Gough Island, AF-030), was pirated on 17 and 20 m on CW. John is only using SSB and PSK, never CW.
Also ZL9BI and ZL9BS on 40 m CW were pirate actions according to Phillip, ZL2TZE.

Silent Keys:

December 24th, 2010 Sigrid Handke, DL7CN, died after a short illnes at
72 years of age. Together with her partner, DL7FT (OM Frank, who died
in 2004), she was active in several DXpeditons.
Additionally Alain Martinet (C31LN), Livio Marocco (IK1RLI), and Drago
Grabensek (S59AR) were reported Silent Key last week.

LINKS:

Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de
Find the latest DXER'S HANDBOOK as .PDF file of 44 pages at
www.udxa.org .

UPCOMING CONTESTS

28.-30. January: CQ WW 160 m DX Contest;
29./30. January: UBA DX Contest;
29./30. January: REF Contest;
1. February-30. April: Holyland Contest, find more information at:
www.iarc.org/~4z4tl/4X20HC_fil.htm .

IOTA collected by Fredy,DE0MST (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:

AF-049, 3B8, Mauritius Island: Find Josep/EA3BT and Nuria/EA3WL
from Mauritius January 23rd through 29th as 3B8/EA3BT and 3B8/EA3WL.
QSL via EA3BT (d/B).

AF-057, 5R, Madagascar's Coastal Island West: Andy/SM1IRS, Al/SM4HAK, and
Eric/SM1ALH will be 5R8HL/p on Nosy Be Island January 22nd through
February 1st. QSL via SM1ALH (d/B).

AF-068, SO (CN), Western Sahara South Group: 5C2L (I8LWL), 5C2P (IK2PZC),
5C2J (IK7JWX), and CN8QY intend an activation of Herne Island February
1st through 5th as CN2LWL. QSL via I8LWL (d/B). Also: www.i8lwl.it .

AS-003,4S, Sri Lanka Is. (Mayn): 4S7LRG is Mats, SM6LRR, January 22nd
through February 4th in Sri Lanka. QSL via home call (d/B).

NA-003, VP5, Turks Islands: Karol/G0UNU is planning an activation of
Grand Turk Island January 31st through February 6th as VP5/G0UNU.
QSL via home call (d/B).

NA-008, VY0, Nunavut (Ellesmere Isl.) Group: Jay/VY1JA will be active as
VY0JA on Ellesmere Island for five weeks starting January 26th.
QSL via N3SL (d/B).

NA-091, VE7, BC Province South Group: Christian/F5IDM intends to be on
the air January 29th through 31st as VE7/F5IDM on Quadra Island.
QSL direct (QRZ.com).

NA-105, FS, St. Martin: K4UP, W4LW, and K4FMD will use FS/home call on
St. Martin on 20/15/12 and 10 m SSB January 28th through February 5th.
All QSLs via K4UP (d).

NA-122, HI, Dominican Rep., Coastal Islands: Starting January 27th
Adriano/IK2GNW will be active on Levantado Island for two months.
QSL via I2YSB (direct only).

OC-035, YJ, New Hebrides: Find Hermann/DL2NUD and Stefan/DL9GRE January
27th through February 2nd as YJ8GR and YJ8HP on Vanuatu. QSL via
home calls (d/B).

SA-024, PY2, Sao Paulo State West Group: A group of Brasilian operators
will present an activity from Comprida Island (DIIB SP-03) January
28th through 30th with PR2R callsign. QSL via PY2OP (d/B).

Lighthouse activities (WLOTA/ARLHS/ILLW)

CU7MD LH 1830 Faial resident
FH/DH1BL LH 0376 Mayotte through late 2013
FJ/W7TAE LH 0377 St.Barthelemy 23.-28.1.
FS/K4UP LH 0383 St. Martin 28.1.-5.2.
IT9/LY5W LH 1362 Sicily 28.-30.1.
OH1VR/VP9 LH 0201 Hamilton P. 27.1.-1.2.
PJ2T LH 0942 Cura&#65533;ao 28.-30.01.
PJ6/G4IUF LH 2043 Saba 27.1.-3.3.
TF4X LH 2975 Iceland 28.-30.1.
VE7/F5IDM LH 1757 Quadra 27.-31.1.
VP5/G0UNU LH 0289 Gr. Turk 31.1.-6.2.
YE1C LH 1660 Java 28.-30.1.
3B8/EA3BT LH 0595 Mauritius 23.-29.1.
3B8/EA3WL LH 0595 Mauritius 23.-29.1.
4S7LRG LH 0762 Sri Lanka 22.1.-4.2.
5R8HL/p LH 3042 Nosy Be 22.1.-01.2.
8P9ME LH 0999 Barbados 26.01.-14.02.
8P9UR LH 0999 Barbados 26.01.-14.02.

Bandspots of the last 7 days
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160 m
DU1/JJ5GMJ 1.820 2110Z via JJ5GMJ (B), (L)
TA1ED 1.848 2042Z (B)
YC0LOW/1 1.821 2042Z (B)

80 m
FM/F5LGE 3.508 2311Z via F5LGE (B)

40 m
EA2EA/p 7.033 1219Z SOTA SS023

EA2EA/p 7.033 1219Z SOTA SS052
UO5L 7.062 2351Z RTTY, via UN7LZ (B)
ZP5DBC 7.142 0628Z (d)

30 m
A45XR 10.107 0123Z via A4 buro
LY13E 10.121 0938Z via LY3NX
RZ1CWC/p 10.116 1328Z COTA-RU: F-109, via RN1CW
5N7M 10.119 0632Z via OM3CGN (B)

20 m
A6/VE6LB 14.016 1140Z via VE6LB (B)
CE9/PA3EXX 14.260 2012Z SA097, via VE3LYC (B)
CT9/OH2OT 14.002 1045Z
DU1/EA3NT 14.011 1225Z
EA8OM 14.019 0905Z via DJ1OJ (B), (L)
EP4MRG 14.150 1303Z no QSL!
EY7BJ 14.031 0623Z
SV3IEG/1/p 14.285 1153Z SOTA AT032, (B)
SV3IEG/1/p 14.287 1338Z SOTA AT004, (B)
SV3IEG/8/p 14.330 1032Z SOTA AG020, (B)
SV8/SV2KGA/p 14.330 1025Z SOTA AG020, (B)
TF5B 14.250 1638Z (B)
V51B 14.195 1516Z (d), (L), eQSL

17 m
CT9/OH2OT 18.071 0925Z
JY4NE 18.073 1229Z via K3IRV (B)
SV5BYR 18.071 0720Z
5N7M 18.105 0836Z RTTY, via OM3CGN (B)
9K2/SP4R 18.076 1022Z via SP4GFG (B)

15 m
CE3/VE7SV 21.080 1625Z via VE7SV (B), (L)
CN8YR 21.028 1328Z via EA7FTR
CT9/OH2O 21.015 1513Z
J28RO 21.013 1033Z via F8DFP (B)
JY4NE 21.033 0839Z via K3IRV (B)
SV0XCA/5 21.011 1012Z via LZ1WL (B)
TJ3AY 21.220 1007Z via F5LGE (B)
UK8LA 21.019 0705Z via RW3RN
V5/DK2WH 21.290 1030Z via DK2WH (B)

(d) Only direct
(B) Bureau ok
(L) LoTW

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

23Jan-29Jan 3B8/EA3WL 1711
21Jan-01Feb 3B8/F6HMJ 1709
26Jan-29Jan 3D2AD 1711
- mid Mar 3D2HC 1710
- Dec 3Y8XSA 1700
- 13Mar 4S7KKG 1706
22Jan-04Feb 4S7LRG 1711
- 25Oct 5B50J 1700
01Feb-05Feb 5C2L.. 1712 *
17Jan-04Feb 5R8HL 1710
01Feb-31Mar 6W2SC/J5UAP 1712 *
- Apr 2012 5Z4RH ? 1674
- Jan 7Q7HB 1700
26Jan-14Feb 8P9ME & 8P9UR 1712 *
18Jan-30Jan 9H3JS 1711
- Sep 9J2KK 1682
26Jan-late Feb 9K50 1712 *
- Apr 9M2MRS 1697
- mid Feb 9M2QQ.. 1710
now 9M6/KM9D 1699
soon 9Q1EK 1669
- Nov 9Q6CC 1699

12Jan-09Feb A6/VE6LB 1710
- Aug A92IO 1663
- 31Dec BP100 1684
- 31Dec BV100 1684
- 31Dec CW5RV 1711
- May D2AK 1675
- 17Mar D2AM 1710
- 22Apr D2QR 1675
- late Feb D2SG 1692
- 31Aug DL20Y2DM 1700
- 31Jan DT8A 1652
- Jan DU1/JJ5GMJ 1695
20Jan-08Mar EA8/IK1PMR.. 1712 *
23Jan-28Jan FJ/W7TAE 1712 *
16Jan-26Jan FK/DL2NUD.. 1710
- 03Feb FM/F5LBG 1712 *
- 30Jan FM/F5LGE 1712 *
- Aug FO8RZ 1636
- Jul 2012 FR8NE 1710
28Jan-05Feb FS/K4UP.. 1712 *

13Jan-12Apr H44MS 1710
- 31Dec HB60LU 1711
01Jan-31Dec HG200LST 1708
26Jan-27Feb HI0RCD 1712 *
27Jan-27Mar HI/IK2GNW 1712 *
10Jan-07Mar HK3JCL 1709
20Jan-10Feb HS0ZJF/8 1711
11Feb-10Feb HS0ZJF/9 1711

01Jan-31Dec IA7MM 1708
01Jan-31Dec II1ITA.. 1708
01Jan-31Mar IO7DAI 1708
- 2011/2012? J28JV 1680
- Jul 2012 J28RO 1683
01Feb-09Feb J79FF 1712 *
- 02Feb JT1ZW/JT5DX 1712 *
- Jun 2013 KH2/N2NL 1680
postponed 2011 KH5 1674/1705
now LU1ZA (S. O.) 1695
- Jan 2011 LU/LA6IKA.. 1700
- mid Mar OA/OE3NHW 1701
28Dec-28Jan OA4/PA3GFE 1707
Dec/Jan OJ1ABOA 1704
10Nov-24Feb OR4TN 1700

01Jan-31Dec PA30.. 1708
- mid Mar PJ2/DF7DQ 1712 *
30Jan-11Feb PJ2/OE3JAG 1712 *
20Jan-03Feb PJ2/W8WTS.. 1711
27Jan-03Mar PJ6/G4IUF 1712 *
16Jan-31Jan PR150PLM 1711
28Jan-30Jan PR2R 1712 *
Jan PS150PLM 1708
- late Dec RI1ANC 1708
Oct2010-May2011 T6JC & T6TL 1695
21Jan-26Jan T88RX 1711
30Jan-06Feb UN2011G.. 1712 *
Jan V31DI 1710
10Jan-26Jan V31ME & V31ML 1709
- late Feb V31YN & V31GW 1710
29Jan-31Jan VE7/F5IDM 1712 *
Nov-Mar 2012 VK0KEV, Macqu. 1700/1701
31Jan-06Feb VP5/G0UNU 1712 *
27Jan-08Feb VP8ORK 1712 *
27Jan-01Feb VP9/OH1VR 1712 *
26Jan-02Mar VY0JA 1712 *
now XT2RJA 1712 *
23Feb-08Mar XU7AFU 1711
27Jan-02Feb YJ8GR & YJ8HP 1710
- Sep ZD9GI 1691
- 31Dec ZL50GH 1711
01Jan-31Mar ZL50VK 1708
- 05May ZS8M 1674/1711

* new or updated
.. and other calls

QSL information

A41PB via EB7DX (d)

BN100 via BM2JCC
CE6/F6DXE via F6DXE - eQSL preferred
CE9/PA3EXX via VE3LYC (B)
CO8LY via EA7ADH (d)
ON65SUSKEENWISKE ON3OMD (B)
ON65SPIKESUZY via ON3OMD (B)
OM3R via OM3CFR (B)
OM/OK1GTH via OK1GTH (B)
OY1OF via M0URX (B)
P4/WA2CAM via WA2CAM
XT2RJA via K3QF
3B9/F6HMJ via F6HMJ (B)
5R8HL via SM1ALH (B)
7P8JW via N6JW
9M2/R6AF/p via R6AF
9M6RHM via NI5DX (B)

(d) Direct only
(B) Bureau ok
(*) New QSL manager
(L) Logbook of the World (LoTW)

QSL arrived direct: C5A (via OM2FY), C56E (W7XU), CK8G (NA-182, via VE8EV),
CO7PH & KP4AO & PJ4D & PJ4W (W3HNK), PJ2/K8LEE,
PJ2/N2MF, PJ2/W1NG, and 5H3EE (DL4ME).

QSL arrived bureau: B7P (via BA7NQ), BT1OB & BT1OH & BT1OJ (BA4EG),
CT9/DJ0JE, EY8/F5NHJ, FP/G3TXF, FY/G3TXF, HB0/HB9DGV/p,
HF65PW (SP5KCR), HF65WL (SP1FVG), HI3/N3SY (NA-096),
R0L (IK2DUW), V31GE (AK9A), VF0X (NA-196, VE3IKV),
YI9PT (N4XP), YV5NEA, ZD8RH (AF-003), ZS10WCS, 3A/AI5P,
5Z4/IK4ALM, 8N1HQ (AS-007), 8P5A (NN1N), 9A430KA (9A6Z),
9A950JB (9A3JB), 9H4RH/p (EU-023), 9J2FM (JA4ATV), and
9K2YM/p (AS-118, via EA5KB).

QSO confirmed LoTW: A45WD, C91DL, CE3/IZ6BRN, D68YV, EB5BBM/BY7PP, C6AJX,
DL5JAG/p, E4X, EA8MT, FR/HB9CYV/p, HB10DX, IY1SP (I1SAF
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J48S, J48WT, K4E, LU5CAB, OE9RWV/p, OR2T, PY2XB/PY0F,
R450WA, S92SS, SE6Y, TO5DX, 3W6C, 4Z4KX, 8P6DR, 9G5XA,
9M2/GM4YXI.

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76. KARO HOT MASTI PHOTOS&VIDEOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-26 17:30:12 UTC
From: tejaswini <teju9030@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <f2d5c0f5-604a-4125-baa2-d500d5010911@v31g2000pri.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4916

LATEST KATRINA HOT VIDEOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/katrinahot.html
DEEPIKA PADUKONE HOT VIDEOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/deepika-padukone.html
HOT ARCHANA STILLS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/archana.html
DEEKSHA SETH HOT WALLPAPERS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/deeksha-seth.html
KATRINA KAIF HOT VIDEOS&PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/katrina-kaif.html
SAMEERAREDDY HOT BOOBS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/sameerareddy.html
HOT SEXY ACTRESS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/hot.html
latest hot sruthi hassan stills
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/shurthihassan-new-stills.html
UNSEEN HOT SEXY PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/never.html
SAMANTHA HOT SEXY PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/samantha.html
SEXY DIYA MIRZA
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/diya-mirza.html
HOT AISHWARIYA RAI
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/aish.html
priyamani hot&sexy photos
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/priyamani.html
KATRINA SEXY PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/katrina.html
ANUSHKA HOT PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/anuska.html
BEAUTIFUL AISHWARIYA RAI
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/aiesh.html
TRISHA HOT PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/11/trisha-hot.html
AMISHAPATEL HOT VIDEOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/amisha
HANSIKHA HOT SEXY PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/HANSIKA
HOT SEXY COLLEGE GIRLS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/hot
BEAUTIFUL LARADATTA
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/laradatta
NIKISHA HOT BOOBS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/nikisha

PRIYANKA SPICY LATEST PICS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/priyanka
ONLY FOR YOUTH
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/spicy
SRILEKHA UNSEENED PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/Srilekha
CHOPRA UNBELIVABLE PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/chopra
HOT BIPASA BASU PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/bipasa
TRISHA IN A SEXY FEEL
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/thrisha
SRISHA HOT BOOBS SHOW
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/srisha
BEAUTIFUL POONAM PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/poonam

77. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-26 22:49:34 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <9ef508d9-0739-4eda-926f-7e08221a6ee3@f20g2000prn.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4917

On Jan 26, 12:30 pm, tejaswini <teju9...@gmail.com> wrote:
> LATEST KATRINA HOT
VIDEOShttp://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/katrinahot.html
> DEEPIKA PADUKONE HOT
VIDEOShttp://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/deepika-padukone.html
> HOT ARCHANA
STILLShttp://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/archana.html

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78. [DXNL] DXNL 1712a (Dec 26, 2010) - Info Kazakhstan

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-27 10:37:47 UTC
From: Michael Oerter <dj5av@kabelbw.de>
Message-ID: <002a01cbbe0d$34901060$6600a8c0@pumax>
Source record: 4918
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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Further Information about Kazakhstan special calls mentioned in DXNL 1712:
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In the period from January 30th to February 6th, 2011 two key cities of
Kazakhstan - Astana and Almaty will conduct the 7th Asian Winter Games.
About 30 Asian countries are expected to send their sportsmen for the
Games. The Games will include competitions on 11 sports and the
sportsmen will contend for the 65 sets of medals.

Almaty
- International Ski Jump Complex - Ski Jumping
- Biathlon Complex - Biathlon
- A Cross-Country Ski Complex - Cross-country skiing, Ski orienteering
- Baluan Sholak Sport Palace - Short track speed skating, Closing Ceremony
- Shymbulak Alpine Sport Resort - Alpine skiing, Freestyle skiing
- Medeo Alpine Ice Arena - Bandy

Astana
- Indoor Speed Skating Stadium - Speed skating
- Ice Sport Palace - Ice Hockey
- Alatau Sports Palace - Figure Skating

Besides, during the Winter Asian Games the sports leaders of 45 Asian
countries will take part in the Asian General Olympic Council Assembly.

Almaty Amateur Radio League (ARL) is organizing activation of special
amateur radio stations including UN2011G and 8 stations with UP2011
prefix. The suffix of UP2011-stations will imply the abbreviation of
the 8 winter types of sports to be featured during the Games in Almaty
and Astana.

- UN2011G (Game) - ARL club station (regular callsign UN0GL)
- UP2011AS (alpine skiing) - regular callsign UN8GU, op. Andy
- UP2011BN (biathlon) - regular callsign UN7QCC, op. Victor
- UP2011CS (cross-country skiing) - regular callsign UN6GAE, op. Alexander
- UP2011FG (freestyle skiing) - regular callsign UN8GZ, op. Vitaliy
- UP2011HB (Russian hockey, bandy) - regular callsign UN6GT, op. Valeriy
- UP2011IH (ice hockey) - regular callsign UN2G, op. Evgeniy
- UP2011SJ (ski jumping) - regular callsign UN6QC, op. Arthur
- UP2011SO (ski orienteering) - regular callsign UN8GC, op. Michael
Special stations will be active during the period from January 30th,
(starting at 18:00 UTC) until February 6th (ending 18:00 UTC) of 2011
on all the HF bands including WARC. Modes of operation: CW, SSB & DIGI.
QSL via regular callsigns (direct & bureau).
Those who will manage to make QSOs with special stations can apply for a
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special award "Almaty - 2011" established specifically for the occasion.
More information is available at: www.un-dx.ucoz.com (ENG) and
www.qrz.kz (RUS)
Program manager: Arthur UN6QC un6qc (at) yandex.ru

"ALMATY 2011" AWARD

"ALMATY 2011" award is established by Almaty Amateur Radio League. It is issued to all the licensed radio amateurs as well as to SWL for QSOs/SWL with special stations (UP2011 and UN2011 suffix) active during the 7th Asian Winter Games in Almaty and Almaty radio amateurs (callsign suffix starting with letters "G" or "Q"). The award has 3 classes of diploma and a Trophy (plaque).

To meet the award conditions one must make the following number of QSOs in the period from January 30th to February 6th, 2011:
For 3rd Class Award - 5 points (QSOs with 2 special call stations are compulsory),
For 2nd Class Award - 7 points (QSOs with 3 special call stations are compulsory),
For 1st Class Award - 11 points (QSOs with 5 special call stations are compulsory),
Trophy (plaque) - 20 points and more (is compulsory QSO with all 9 special call).

Almaty stations provide the following scores:
UN2011G - 3 points
UP2011. - 2 points each
UN#G. and UN#Q. - 1 point each

Contacts made on any radio amateur band in any mode are acceptable.

1st, 2nd, 3rd class diplomas are issued in electronic format free of charge. Those who request to receive the printed copy of diploma will need to pay the actual cost of printing and postage (in total 6 USD).
Cost of plaque - 30 USD + actual postage depending on destination.

Hard printed QSL cards are not required. Applicant's log is required showing basic information about the contacts actually made including:
Your call name and family (for award). Date, timing, band, callsign, RS/RST exchanged (in Exell or Word fail).
Please, applications for awards send to Artur UN6QC by email:
un6qc@yandex.ru .

Program manager: Arthur UN6QC

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-27 19:57:43 UTC
From: fitz <zeusrdx@yahoo.com>
Message-ID: <03d07edd-9ab7-40e2-aebc-ae4ac7d9408d@e13g2000yqb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4919

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http://www.amperefitz.com/two.magnets.htm

A letter to my old friend Doctor Ronald Massarik.

80. The ARRL Letter for January 27, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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There will be no ARRL Audio News this week. The ARRL Audio News will
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==> BOARD OF DIRECTORS: ARRL BOARD HOLDS 2011 ANNUAL MEETING

The ARRL Board of Directors held its 2011 Annual Meeting January
21-22 in Windsor, Connecticut. At the meeting, the Board set its new
legislative objectives for the 112th Congress, re-elected the ARRL
Executive Committee, bestowed various technical and service awards,
approved the organization's financial plan for 2011, set timelines for
the ongoing consideration of digital periodicals and more. A detailed
look at all the Board's actions, including the official minutes from
the meeting, will be forthcoming.

==> BOARD OF DIRECTORS: ARRL HUDSON DIVISION DIRECTOR FRANK FALLON,
N2FF, RETIRES FROM ARRL BOARD OF DIRECTORS
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After more than 14 years as the ARRL Hudson Division Director, Frank Fallon, N2FF, announced his retirement from the Board at the conclusion of the 2011 Annual Meeting of the ARRL Board of Directors. Per the ARRL's Articles of Association, Hudson Division Vice Director Joyce Birmingham, KA2ANF, immediately moved up to the Director position to fill the remainder of Fallon's unexpired three year term, which runs through December 2012. In the coming days, ARRL President Kay Craigie, N3KN, will appoint a new Vice Director to fill Birmingham's unexpired three year term, also running through December 2012. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-hudson-division-director-frank-fallon-n2ff-retires-from-arrl-board-of-directors>.

==> ARRL RECOGNIZES: ARRL BOARD BESTOWS AWARDS AT 2011 ANNUAL MEETING

The ARRL Board of Directors had the pleasure and distinction of bestowing three annual awards at its 2011 Annual Meeting -- the ARRL International Humanitarian Award, the George Hart Distinguished Service Award and the Bill Leonard, W2SKE, Professional Media Award. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-board-bestows-awards-at-2011-annual-meeting>.

==> AMATEUR RADIO IN SPACE: NASA'S NANOSATELLITE HEARD BY HAMS

When a NASA nanosatellite -- NanoSail-D <http://www.nasa.gov/mission_pages/smallsats/nanosaild.html> -- ejected unexpectedly on January 17 from the Fast Affordable Scientific and Technology Satellite (FASTSAT <http://www.nasa.gov/mission_pages/smallsats/fastsat/10-156.html>), the agency called upon Amateur Radio operators to help track it. NASA asked radio amateurs to listen <http://www.arrl.org/news/nasa-seeks-amateur-radio-operators-aid-to-listen-for-nanosatellite-s-beacon-signal> on 437.270 MHz for the signal and verify that NanoSail-D was operating. NASA received almost 470 telemetry packets from 11 countries.

The NanoSail-D beacon sent an AX.25 packet every 10 seconds; the packet contained data about the spacecraft's systems operation. Listen here <http://nanosaild.engr.scu.edu/nanosaild2_pa3guo_20jan2011.mp3> for a recording of the nanosatellite's beacon, made by Hank Hamoen, PA3GUO, on January 21.

Once the NanoSail-D team received confirmation that the nanosatellite did indeed ejcect, NanoSail-D principal investigator Dean Alhorn quickly enlisted Alan Sieg, WB5RMG, and Stan Sims, N4PMF, to try to pick up NanoSail-D's radio beacon. Both hams work at the Marshall Space Flight Center in Huntsville, Alabama.

"The timing could not have been better," Sieg said. "NanoSail-D was going to track right over Huntsville, and the chance to be the first ones to hear and decode the signal was irresistible." Right before 2300 UTC on January 17, they heard a faint signal. As the spacecraft soared overhead, the signal grew stronger and the operators were able to decode the first packet: NanoSail-D was alive and well. "You could have

scraped Dean off the ceiling. He was bouncing around like a new father," Sieg recalled.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s1vZfm500hE> According to NASA, the nanosatellite was last heard at 1354 UTC on January 21. Telemetry indicates that the sail deployed on schedule and the satellite is now believed to be out of power, which NASA said was to be expected. NASA is now asking for visual tracking and sighting reports of NanoSail-D, which is about 650 km above the Earth. According to the agency, when the nanosatellite's sail reflects off the Sun, it could be up to 10 times as bright as the planet Venus -- especially later in the mission when the sail descends to lower orbits. You can track NanoSail-D on the web <http://spaceweather.com/flybys/> or on your smart phone <http://simpleflybys.com/>. NASA estimates that NanoSail-D will remain in low Earth orbit (LEO) between 70 and 120 days, depending on atmospheric conditions.

==> AMATEUR RADIO IN THE CLASSROOM: ARRL TEACHERS INSTITUTE NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR 2011 SESSIONS

The ARRL Education Services Department has announced the 2011 schedule for the Teachers Institute on Wireless Technology (TI) workshop. Offered through the ARRL's Education & Technology Program, the Teachers Institute is a four-day, expenses paid, in-residence learning opportunity designed for motivated teachers and other school staff who want to learn more about wireless technology and bring that knowledge to their students. A variety of topics are covered during the TI, including basic wireless technology literacy, electronics, the science of radio, radio astronomy, how to bring space into the classroom, ham radio operation, introduction to microcontrollers and basic robotics. While participants do not need to have an Amateur Radio license to attend the basic TI sessions, one is required for the advanced (TI-2) session. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-teachers-institute-now-accepting-applications-for-2011-sessions>.

==> LEGISLATIVE MATTERS: ARRL LEGISLATIVE NEWSLETTER TO BE LAUNCHED

The inaugural issue of the ARRL Legislative Update -- an HTML newsletter focusing on the ARRL's legislative and advocacy efforts at the national level -- will launch the week of January 31. According to ARRL Regulatory Information Manager Dan Henderson, N1ND, this is not a monthly newsletter, but rather a timely newsletter with the goal to convey important information to the ARRL family. "The legislative process is a fickle thing, Henderson said. "Sometimes it moves as slow as molasses in a New England winter, while at other points, time is of the essence. Developing a newsletter designed to be e-mailed to interested ARRL members is a good way to provide important news and calls for action expediently." The ARRL Legislative Update is an "opt-in" newsletter available to ARRL members. To receive it, go to your Member Profile on the ARRL website <http://www.arrl.org/Users/edit> and select the tab for "Edit Email

Subscriptions." To receive the ARRL Legislative Update, simply check the appropriate box on that page then click "Save" at the bottom. To unsubscribe, follow the same process, but uncheck the box for this newsletter.

==> FOCUS ON YOUTH: ARRL SEEKS NEW YOUTH EDITOR

The ARRL has a proud tradition of promoting youth involvement in Amateur Radio. One of the ways we involve young people in our hobby is through our Youth Editor. This person is responsible for writing a monthly column for the ARRL website about youth and youth activities within the Amateur Radio Service. We are looking for a new Youth Editor. Do you know of someone who would be a good fit for this position? Maybe they hold leadership positions either in their Section or in their local club. The candidate must be an ARRL member and must keep their membership current throughout their tenure in the position. He or she will be required to write a monthly column of at least 1000 words and provide a minimum of three pictures (with captions) for each. For this, they will receive a small stipend for each column. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-seeks-new-youth-editor>.

==> ARRL FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS AND TRANSCRIPTS DUE FEBRUARY 1

Students planning to apply for the more than 60 scholarships administered by the ARRL Foundation should be aware that the deadline is fast approaching. All materials -- including transcripts -- are due February 1. Beginning this year, applicants must submit all material electronically. No paper forms will be accepted. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-foundation-scholarship-applications-and-transcripts-due-february-1>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "Like a comet pulled from orbit as it passes a Sun <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H5WNeBZ4rBU>" Cook, K7RA, reports: The average daily sunspot numbers were up for the past week (ending January 26) by more than 11 points to 32.6, compared to the previous week. The average daily solar flux rose more than 3 points to 83.5. The planetary A index average was down 2 points to 2.9, and mid-latitude A index was down 1.5 points to 2.4. The latest prediction from NOAA/USAF shows lower solar activity with solar flux for January 27-28 at 79 and 78, then 76 for January 29 through February 2, 78 on February 3-4 and 80 on February 5-6. They show planetary A index at 5 on January 27-February 2, then 10 on February 3-4 and 7 on February 5. Geophysical Institute Prague sees quiet conditions January 28 through February 1, quiet to unsettled February 2 and unsettled February 3. Look for more information on the ARRL website on Friday, January 28. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by Stephen Schwartz's For Good

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H5WNeBZ4rBU> from the musical Wicked
<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wicked_%28musical%29>.

==> THIS WEEK ON THE RADIO

This week:

- January 28-30 -- CQ 160 Meter Contest (CW)
- January 29-30 -- REF Contest (CW); BA DX Contest (SSB); SPAR Winter
Field Day
- January 30-31 -- Classic Exchange (CW)

Next week:

- February 4 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- February 5 -- Minnesota QSO Party; FYBO Winter QRP Sprint; AGCW
Straight Key Party
- February 5-6 -- Delaware QSO Party; 10-10 International Winter
Contest (SSB); British Columbia QSO Party; Mexico RTTY International
Contest; YL-ISSB QSO Party (CW); EPC WW DX Contest
- February 5-7 -- Vermont QSO Party
- February 6 -- North American Sprint (CW)
- February 8 -- ARS Spartan Sprint
- February 9 -- NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint
- February 9-10 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest
Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update
<http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest
Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more
info. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the
ARRL Special Event Stations Web page
<http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- January 28-29 -- ARRL Mississippi State Convention
<http://www.msham.org/hamfest.php>, Jackson, Mississippi
- February 5 -- ARRL South Carolina Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/south-carolina-section-convention-1>,
North Charleston, South Carolina; ARRL Virginia State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/virginia-state-convention-frostfest-2011>,
Richmond, Virginia
- February 11-13 -- ARRL Southeastern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southeastern-division-convention-orlando-hamcat
ion>,
Orlando, Florida
- February 18-19 -- ARRL Arizona State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arizona-state-convention-yuma-hamfest-emergency
-preparedness-show>,
Yuma, Arizona
- February 26 -- ARRL Vermont State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/vermont-state-convention-ham-con-1>,

Colchester, Vermont

To find a convention or hamfest near you, click here
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Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1746 - January 28 2011

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1746 with a release date of
Friday, January 28, 2011 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a QST. A Georgia ham radio group receives praise for
its rescue radio work during a snowstorm, an amateur radio emergency
response unit in Alaska looses its communications trailer to Mother
Nature, Brazil's military praises ham radio for its response to a flood
and mudslide disaster, a new bill is introduce in the Senate to create
an inter-operable firstr response broadband network and is the future
of ham radio in brainwave station control. Find out the details on
Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1746 coming your way right
now.

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RESCUE RADIO: GEORGIA ARES GROUP PRAISED FOR STORM RESPONSE

A quick response by hams in Georgia during a recent snowstorm has
brought words of praise from civic leaders. Amateur Radio Newsline's
Norm Seeley, KI7UP, is here with the details:

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Local emergency workers in Cherockee County Georgia who received a
major assist from a group of volunteer ham radio operators during the
snowstorm that covered the region are singing their praises of the
radio amateurs in the area. The group receiving the accolades is the
Cherokee Amateur Radio Emergency Service. This is a 40 member SKYWARN
organization made up of volunteers who share severe weather and
emergency information with the Cherokee County Emergency Operations
Center when called upon to do so.

According to Robby Westbrook, director of the Cherokee Sheriff's Office
Division of Emergency Management, the ham radio group is an invaluable
resource during the severe weather. Westbrook said that the hams began
radioing in reports when the storm first started. That helped us to
know where to deploy our resources.

County Commissioner Jim Hubbard works closely with the amateur radio
group. He said its members were a big help in the storm's first 30
hours. Hubbard noted that the group provided the Emergency Operations
Center with a good overview of how hard the region was getting hit.

Jim Millsap, WB4NWS, of Woodstock, Georgia is the Emergency Coordinator for Cherokee County ARES. He told a local newspaper the group's mission is to support Westbrook and the Emergency Operations Center staff any time a disaster happens. He added that when the ice storm suddenly hit Cherokee last month at rush hour, the group was able to provide information about dangerous areas on the roads. It also served the same role during the floods of 2009.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP, watching this one from Scottsdale, Arizona

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More about the Amateur Radio Emergency Service club is on line at www.Cherokee-ares.org

(Cherokee Tribune)

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RESCUE RADIO: ALASKA CLUB LOOSES EMCOMM TRAILER TO MOTHER NATURE

A windstorm has destroyed a mobile ham radio emergency communications trailer in Alaska. According to a posting on Q-R-Zed dot com by District Emergency Coordinator Don Bush, KL7JFT, the Matanuska Amateur Radio Association lost its vehicle in the wind storm on January 12th.

Bush says that the trailer was originally purchased with a grant from the Anchorage Amateur Radio Club along with donations received from various members and organizations in Alaska. Not having any insurance on it, Bush says that the club does not know it can replace it. He adds that this is a big loss for a small club that is very active in the community in helping with all kinds of events. He also says that the trailer was the only backup communications for the Borough Emergency Services if conventional communications is lost.

A fund has been set up to try to raise funds to replace the destroyed vehicle. Itds on-line ay www dot kl7jfu dot com. (KL7JFT, QRZ.com)

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RESCUE RADIO: COMMERCIAL RADIO AUSTRALIA NOW OFFICIAL INFO PROVIDER

A broadcast service down-under has become the latest provider of emergency alert information. Graham Kemp, VK4BB, of the WIA News has more:

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Chief executive officer of Commercial Radio Australia, Joan Warner has welcomed the signing of a memorandum of understanding with the New South Wales Government, making commercial radio stations official providers of emergency services information.

Ms. Warner said the NSW memorandum of understanding follows a similar arrangement with the Victorian, South Australian and Queensland

Governments. The industry has argued for some time for commercial radio to be included and promoted as an official provider of information in emergencies, along with the ABC.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline I'm Grahm Kemp, VK4BB, of the WIA News in Australia.

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This new agreement makes it easier to alert the public in times of emergencies. (WIA News)

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RESCUE RADIO: BRAZILIAN MILITARY PRAISES HAMS IN WAKE OF MASSIVE FLOODS

Civil Defense forces in Brazil have praised the efforts of a local group of amateur radio enthusiasts. This after the hams helped them co-ordinate the rescue efforts in the first hours after the landslides brought on by flooding.

According to a report on the BBC News website, Lt Col Roberto Robadey said that without the help from the Brazilian ham community that his command couldn't have done anything in those first two days.

Robadey said that the ham radio operators took their gear to key points to provide a communication link between rescue groups. Since them, the Brazilian Air Force said it was installing a communication centre in Itaipava, so people could make phone calls and access data in their attempts to track down missing relatives.

About 100 soldiers have also been deployed to the Cuiaba valley, which has been cut off since the heaviest downpours in 44 years tore through the mountainous area near Rio de Janeiro. Officials say at least 600 people are known to have died in the floods.

The full BBC story on this ham radio first responder effort in Brazil is on-line at Read the full BBC News story at tinyurl.com/BrazilRescue

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: NANOSAIL-D HEARD BY HAMS IN HUNTSVILLE

Some good news on the health of the NanoSail-D spacecraft. The Marshall Amateur Radio Club WA4NZD in Huntsville, Alabama, has confiirmed ejection and activation of the NanoSail-D sub-satellite.

The WA4NZD team of Stanley Simms, N4PMF, and Alan Sieg, WB5RMG, along with NanoSail-D Principal Investigator Dean Alhorn were listening on 437.275 MHz FM at the club station on Wednesday, January 19th. That's when the NanoSail-D beacon was heard and subsequently decoded.

The only communication from the NanoSail-D vehicle is via ham radio with 1200 baud FM AX.25 beacon packets. Controllers are asking for

telemetry reception reports from all over the world to help track the bird. They say that the solar sail was to deploy after three days, but the battery may last longer than that.

This loaf-of-bread sized spacecraft was carried to orbit late last year on an Air Force rocket as part of NASA's FastSat project. It has now become the first successful deployment of a satellite, launched from a satellite already in orbit.

NanoSail-D is expected stay in low-Earth orbit between 70 and 120 days, depending on atmospheric conditions. The satellite is expected to eventually de-orbit itself and re-enter the earth's atmosphere. More information on this project is on-line at wa4nzd.wordpress.com.

(WA4ZND Release)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: ARISSAT 1 SET FOR TRIP TO THE ISS

The ARISSat-1 space craft is mounted in the Progress vehicle at Baikonur and the hatch sealed.

Progress flight 41P is scheduled to lift off on Friday, January 28th. Due to the newly announced launch date of shuttle flight STS-133, the space walk to deploy ARISSat-1 has been moved up to February 16th.

A NASA press release describes the plans for ARISSat-1 in an article about planned Russian EVAs from the ISS is available at tinyurl.com/6kceotn.

NASA TV has already run a program featuring ARISSat-1. Watch for repeat playback in coming days. And we will have more ham radio space related news later on in this weeks Amateur Radio Newsline report.

(ANS, NASA, WA4SXM)

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RADIO POLITICS: ARRL HOLDS ANNUAL BOD MEETING

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timelines for the ongoing consideration of digital periodicals and more.

A detailed look at all the Board's actions, including the official minutes from the meeting, will be available in the near future. Keep an eye on the front news page at www dot arrl dot org for the latest updates.

(ARRL)

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RADIO LAW: ROCKEFELLER REINTRODUCES INTEROPERABLE RADIO BILL TO SENATE

Senate Commerce Chairman Jay Rockefeller, of West Virginia has reintroduced legislation that would re-allocate a chunk of spectrum to public safety officials. This, for the creation of a national broadband interoperable network.

Rockefeller said the bill mirrors the measure he offered last Congress. One that would re-allocate the so-called D-block of spectrum to public safety officials instead of auctioning it off to commercial bidders as the Federal Communications Commission has proposed.

Rockefeller noted that with the upcoming 10th anniversary of the September 11, 2001, al-Quida terrorist attacks on the Uniuted States, Congress needs to takes the steps necessary to implement a recommendation by the commission that investigated those attacks. That being to create a national broadband interoperable public safety network. He said that such a network is needed to assist first responders to better communicate during emergencies.

As you are likely aware, the 2001 terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center in New York City and on the Pentgon highlighted the problems first responders had in trying to communicate with each other during emergencies. With each responding service using a different radio system, communications between them was almost impossible. At the World Trade Center it fell to ham radio to provide the only inter operable communications for the first several days.

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RADIO LAW: VERIZON SUES THE FCC OVER NET NEUTRALITY DECISION

Ham radio could have a vested interest in the outcome of Verizon Communications challenge to the Federal Communications Commission's controversial net neutrality order. This as the telecommunications giant becomes what likely will be the first of company's to try to stop the agency from requiring Internet companies to treat all Web traffic equally. Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, is in the newsroom with more:

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A legal challenge from one or more of the nations telecommunications and broadband providers to the recent FCC order mandating Net Neutrality was widely expected. This after the FCC has said it thinks Congress enabled it to pursue its Net Neutrality rules under several interpretations of telecommunications laws.

In simple terms, Net Neutrality means that service providers must treat all traffic on their networks equally and cannot speed up or slow down consumer access to any web destination based on network usage of that customer. It also effectively bans tiered service where heavy Internet users could be charged more than those who only use the net occasionally. The FCC's Net Neutrality rules are supported by consumer groups and Web giants such as Google and Facebook.

The Verizon appeal is the first step that will begin a chain of legal maneuvering that will initiate a lawsuit that will be heard in the same court that last year struck down the FCC's earlier attempt at enforcing Net Neutrality rules. Verizon and other providers claim that it is they and they alone who have the right to determine the business model that they operate under.

Another challenge to the FCC's Net Neutrality decision is likely to come from the Republican lead House Energy and Commerce Committee. It has already announced that undoing Net Neutrality through a resolution of disapproval under the Congressional Review Act is a top priority. However, that effort is likely to stall in the Democraratic controlled Senate.

What this might eventually mean to ham radio is simple. More and more communications technologies are being developed where interlinking of signals and control of remote stations forces the need for more and more bandwidth. Some on a full time basis. If Net Neutrality is overturned and if service providers decide to place some of these high bandwidth ham radio operations in the category of heavy use it could slow down these applications to a crawl or make them financially impossible for the average ham to continue.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF in the Newsroom in Los Angeles.

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In its filing Verizon argues that the FCC does not have the legal authority to mandate how Internet service providers treat content on their networks. For its part, the FCC says that its mandate is to oversee all aspects of telecommunications in the United States. (Published News Reports)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: COMMEMORATING THE 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE HOLYLAND CONTEST

The Israel Amateur Radio Club has announced that it will be sponsoring a special 3 month on the air activity. This, to commemorate the Holyland Contest's 20th anniversary.

Operation begins on February 1st and runs through April 30th. Two stations will be on CW, SSB and the Digital modes using the special callsigns 4X20HC and 4Z20HC. All QSL's go via 4Z4TL. For more details about the Holyland Contest take your web browser to tinyurl.com/holylandoperation and holylandoperation is spelled as one word.

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HAM HAPPENINGS: 2011 SARL NATIONAL CONVENTION APRIL 15 - 16

The South African Radio League's 2011 National Convention will have two clubs as its host. The show which is slated for April 15th and 16th in the city of Vaal will be jointly sponsored by the Sasolburg and Vaal Triangle Amateur Radio Clubs.

The two organizations say that they are aiming to make the convention the biggest get-together of South African radio amateurs in years. Among the attractions is a Saturday afternoon visit to the Bloemendal medium wave radio broadcast station near the city of Meyerton. That's where attendees can experience first hand what a 500 kilowatt transmitter is capable of doing. More on all aspects of this event is on line at www dot qsl dot net slash zs4srk. (South African Radio League)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: BLACKROCK CASTLE OBSERVATORY IRELAND FEB 19 - 20

And Ireland's North Cork Radio Group will be active the call EI1NC/P on February 19th and 20th. This from the Blackrock Castle Observatory which is a 16th century Castle located 4km from the heart of Cork city on the banks of the river Lee. The Castle has seen many uses in its long history and now houses a cutting edge of space and observation post. More informatyion on the Castle is available at www dot bco dot ie. The North Cork Radio Groups website is at www dot eilnc dot com. And less we forget, the operation from Blackrock Castle will run from and 10:00 to 17:00 hours UTC on both days. (Press Release)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: ANNUAL GATHERING AT M2 ANTENNA SYSTEMS

Closer to home, the 13th annual ham radio gathering at M2 Antenna Systems is now set for Saturday, March 19th at the M2 factory in Fresno, California. Exact plans for this year's event will be revealed shortly. Keep an eye on www dot m2inc dot com for the latest details. (W6OMF)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: FRANK FALLON, N2FF RETIRES AS ARRL HUDSON DIRECTOR

Some names in the news. First up is Frank Fallon, N2FF, who announced his decision to retire from the position of ARRL Hudson Division Director at the conclusion of the League's first Board of Directors meeting of 2011. In announcing his decision to step aside after more than 14 years on the job, Fallon said that at age 72 he thinks it's time to cut down on night driving and to turn things over to his Division's Vice Director Joyce Birmingham, KA2ANF and let her have her turn in the front seat at Board meetings.

Under the ARRL's rules of succession, when a Director retires or can no longer serve for other reasons, the Division's Vice Director fills that position. In this case its' Joyce Birminham, who has been an active radio amateur for more than 30 years.

Birmingham began her ARRL career in 2000, when Fallon asked her to be an Assistant Director in the Hudson Division. This, after her husband Andy, WB2RQX, became a Silent Key. In 2003, she was elected ARRL Hudson Division Vice Director; she was re-elected for two more terms, in 2006 and 2009. Birmingham also serves as the District 2 Chairperson of the Young Ladies' Radio League and as the President of the East Coast DX Association. (ARRL)

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HAM RADIO ON THE WEB: NEW 60 METER BLOG

And the Southgate news reports that Peter Ourednik, OK1RP, in the Czech Republic, now runs a blog covering the 60 meter or 5 MHz band. It features information on DX operation and related news for the band. You can read it on-line at 60mband.blogspot.com. (Southgate)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

(5 sec pause here)

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HAM RADIO TECHNOLOGY: A BIG LEAP FOR CODEC 2

Codec 2 may not be ready for prime time, but its getting close. Take a listen.

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Codec 2 audio: Hear it by downloading the MP3 version of this weeks newscast at www.arnewsline.org.

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That was just a snippet of a long conversation between Bruce Robertson, VE9QRP, in Sackville, New Brunswick, Canada holding forth with Paul Saville, ZL3IN, in Christchurch, New Zealand using Codec2.

For those unaware, Codec 2 is an open source alternative to both D-Star and P25 that's being developed by a group of volunteers all around the world. The idea behind Codec 2 is to provide a single, free, software-based digital voice encode and decode system that would not require any proprietary firmware as is found in most other current digital voice systems. And as you can hear, even in this Internet-only QSO being held by two hams half a world apart, the quality is quite extraordinary. Likely on a par with all the systems available to hams today. Listen as ZL3IN describes his current career to VE9QRP:

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Codec 2 audio: Hear it by downloading the MP3 version of this weeks newscast at www.arnewsline.org.

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More about Codec 2 is on-line at Codec2 dot org. The complete QSO between VE9QRP and ZL3IN is at tinyurl.com/codec2video. (Southgate)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: NASA ADDS ONE MORE SHUTTLE MISSION

NASA has officially added another space shuttle launch to its schedule and the final one for the fleet.

The space agency has set a target launch date of June 28th for shuttle Atlantis and started preparations for the 135th and last shuttle flight. The four-member crew will take up supplies to the International Space Station and return a faulty pump that has stumped engineers.

With the addition of STS-135 there are now three missions left before NASA retires its shuttle fleet this year. Shuttle Discovery's last mission is slated for February 24th nand the final flight of the Endeavour will take place in April.

The final flight of Atlantis will be commanded by Christopher Ferguson, KG4JCQ. The rest of the crew is composed of astronaut researchers and includes Douglas Hurley, Rex Walheim, and Sandra Magnus, KE5FYE. (NASA)

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RADIO IN SPACE: SMARTPHONE BASED SATELLITE BEING DEVELOPED IN THE UK

Researchers at England's University of Surrey and Surrey Satellite Technology Limited are building a satellite containing a smartphone payload that will be launched into orbit around the Earth later this year.

Called STRaND-1, the name is an acronym for the Surrey Training, Research and Nanosatellite Demonstrator. The tiny bird is being developed by the Surrey team to demonstrate the advanced capabilities of a satellite built quickly using advanced commercial off-the-shelf components.

STRaND-1's lead researcher is Dr. Chris Bridges. He explained that a smartphone made an ideal satellite payload because these devices pack lots of components such as sensors, video cameras, GPS systems and Wi-Fi radios that are technologically advanced but a fraction of the size, weight and cost of components used in existing satellite systems. Also, because many smartphones run on free operating systems that this could lead online software developers to create applications that could feasibly be utilized on later satellites.

A smartphone avionics suite is one of many technological advances packed into this 4 kg nanosatellite. To precisely point and maneuver, the satellite also incorporates advanced guidance, navigation and control systems including miniature reaction wheels. It also contains a GPS receiver, as well as innovative pulse plasma thrusters to propel it through space.

If this experiment is successful, it could give new meaning to the line from the science fiction film for E-T to phone home. (Southgate)

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DX

In DX, the Microlite Penguins DXpedition Team will be active as VP8ORK from the South Orkney Islands Antarctica, from January 27th to February 8th. The South Orkney Islands one of the world's most wanted DXCC entities. Operation will be CW, SSB and RTTY on 160 through 10 meters. QSL direct only to Garry Hammond, VE3XN, 5 McLaren Avenue, Listowel, Ontario, Canada, postal code N4W 3K1. For more information please visit the teams website at www dot vp8o dot com.

IK1PMR and PA3LEO are now operational portable EA8 from the CXanary Islands. They will be there until March 8th but their activity on the air will be holiday style on 160 through 6 meters. QSL via PA3LEO or Logbook of the World.

Lastly, F5LBG is now active portable FM from Martinique running only 5 watts QRP on 10 point 106, 14 point 060 and 18 dot 096 MHz. He will be thre until February 3rd operating holiday style. Listen out for him daily around 1000 UTC and 1800 UTC. QSL via F5LBG, direct or by the Bureau.

(Above from various DX News souraces.)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: BRAINWAVE CONTROL IS COMING

And finally this week, get ready to control your, TV set, your stereo and maybe even your ham radio station with only your mind. That's what you may be able to do with brain waves if the technology developed by a company called PLX Devices proves out. No its' not science fiction as we hear in this report:

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According to its website, the XWave from PXL Devices is the first consumer product priced under $100 which can sense and detect human brainwaves, interpret them and connect it to everyday technology.

PLX Devices founder and CEO is Paul Lowchareonkul. He recently told the U.K. Daily Mail that it was only a matter of time before products like the XWave entered the mainstream. Lowchareonkul says that the human brain is the most powerful, complex thing in the universe, and for the first time, we're able to harness its amazing power and connect it to everyday technology.

Lowchareonkul says that with the development of 3rd party applications or apps, the potential for innovation is limitless. At the moment, PLX is only offering apps that interact with the XWave for Apple mobile devices like the iPhone, iPad and iPod touch. There are four apps currently available that interact with the XWave. These include a basic set-up app; an app that allows you to upload your song list and sync your brainwaves with any song in your library; a "Tug of Mind" app and a meditation app. In the future, PLX says on its website that you will be able to control and float objects in video games by simply thinking about it, or train your mind to focus and relax on command.

And if you do get one and are able to develop an app to control your ham station with your brain, please be sure to let us know so that we can pass it along to what will then become a truly mew world of amateur radio.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, Im Bruce Tennant, K6PZW. In Los Angeles.

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>From pictures on-line, the XWave device itself looks almost like an ordinary headset for telephone operator. The PLX website claims that XWave is perfectly safe because it only listens to brainwaves and does not transmit or send out any signals. That's a good thing for many reasons including there being no need to add more QRM to our already overcrowd bands.

More on this rather interesting device is on-line at www.plxwave.com/info.html. (Daily Mail, Mobilehack.com, others)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Frank Haas, KB4T, saying 73 from Holly Hill, Florida, and we thank you for listening.

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82. MMMonVHF Newsletter 2011-01-28

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-28 10:55:30 UTC
From: MMMonVHF News Mailer <nl@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <201101280855.p0S8tgVb026294@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 4922
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info
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Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our lastet NEWSLETTER of the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2011-01-28
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter one or two times per week.
For further detail please be so kind and refer at our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - welcome and enjoy ...

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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** MOST WANTED SQUARES & DXCCs at the VHF-DX-Portal of MMMonVHF **

Hallo dear User of MMMonVHF. You probably have seen our services
and right now, just before the start into the active parts of the
year (with gd EME condx and the MS showers LYRIDS and ETA AQUARIDS)
we would like to remember that these services are only as good as
YOU (as the USER) are doing UPDATES at our different sources...

Please do yourself and all of us the favour and check and update
periodical the following links and tools:

eMWS (MOST WANTED SQUARES) >>> www.mmmonvhf.de/emws.php
MWDXCC (MOST WANTED DXCC) >>> www.mmmonvhf.de/dxcc.php

and if you hear or plan yourself a trip and/or any activity use:

INPUT of VHF-ACTIVITIES >>> www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php
INPUT of UPDATES to NEWS >>> www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuserup.php

Thanks in the name of all USER of MMMonVHF and the team which is
always trying to pass you as soon as possible the latest News...
SOURCE: The MMMonVHF Team

** first TEP openings on 50 MHz in VK... **

The first reports of US signals into Eastern Australia occured on
the January 11th at the turn of the UT Day. For several weeks
amateurs in ZL1 and ZL3 had made infrequent contacts with Bob
K6QXY who runs a 44 element array and an EME capable station,
K6MYC and N5JEH at least but nothing extended to Australia.
But on the morning of the 11th Norm VK3DUT logged the K6FV beacon

in Woodside California on 50.068 MHZ in Grid CM87. This beacon runs 100 watts and a yagi antenna which at the time was directed towards the South Pacific. Steve VK3OT noticed the report posted on the DX Summit and VK Logger websites and on tuning the 6M band at 0035 UTC heard the CW signals from N5JEH in New Mexico USA on 50.105 running at around 579 ... and more ...
SOURCE: VK3ZAZ Steve via The UK Six Metre Group Announcement

** EME Calendar for ARI official Contest **

You will find the 2011 EME Calendar for ARI official Contest at the MMMonVHF EME-Page: www.mmmonvhf.de/eme.php
Soon I will send you our ARI EME Marathon for 2011. Thanks for your spread out. SOURCE: Alex, IV3KKW direct MMMonVHF

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: FK8 ; Square: RG28 ; Start: 2011-01-16 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3638

Hermann, DL2NUD, will be on EME-Tour again in begin of the year 2011. That time he is acompanied by Stefan,DL9GRE, who will be qrv on HF. LATEST NEWS from Hermann, DL2NUD, dated 2011-01-25 Today and tomorrow NO activity due to the reason that we change QTH (RG28 to RG37). From RG28PM we could make 6 QSOs on 70cm and 83 QSOs on 2m! LATEST NEWS from Dithmar, DF7KF, dated 2011-01-27: Still no new qth for FK/DL2NUD! They had a location, but this morning it was canceled so still looking, the only one pos-sibilitiy is a location with high angele 20 deg to east and 50 deg to west... he will look for a new one tomorrow morning FK time! so Best Regards from Hermann, he will do his very best...
SOURCE: Hermann, DL2NUD & Dith, DF7KF, direct to MMMonVHF
2011-01-28 08UT: next activity: 28.2. MR (FK time) plus 20deg FK8DD & FK/DL2NUD 144.144. 1st RG37FS - ASAP we will spread new info as usual at: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3638
SOURCE: Hermann, DL2NUD, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: HS ; Square: OK16 ; Start: 2011-01-23 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3623

Next activity from Karsten, DL2LAH, as HS0ZIL from OK16BQ on 144 MHz in 2011 - LATEST NEWS from Karsten, HS0ZIL, dated 2011-01-22: Arrive in Bangkok! Sitting together with HS0ZFZ and some beers :-) Have an info exchange direct to Karsten at his MMMonVHF DX Blog: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/showblog.php?ca=HS0ZIL

SOURCE: tnx to Karsten, DL2LAH/HS0ZIL direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: C56 ; Square: IK13 ; Start: 2011-02-11 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3654

MOONBOUNCE from THE GAMBIA (C56 / IK13QL) - LATEST NEWS from the C56-Team, dated 2011-01-23: Well, less than three weeks to go before C56EME will come on air from IK13ql in The Gambia! The tickets did arrive and the special callsign C56EME is OK. Our swedish hosts in the Gambia did phone etc. for more than in a week and all these efforts resulted in our license. We are very pleased with them. They did a nice job! Today Rene PE1L, Elthe PA3CEE and Johan PE9DX tested the aerials 2x8 Xpol at the QTH of Fred PE1DAB: www.emelogger.com/gambia/default.asp?page=Multimedia It was a big success. Fred cooked a delicious peasoup for the hungry C56EME team. We tested indoor, in order to see if everything fits and if a good equilibration can be obtained. The aereals will be pointed to the moon manually with help of ropes and stones, so it is important to have everyrhing stable. We succeeded! SOURCE: The C56EME Team direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: BY8 ; Square: OL14-NL97 ; Start: 2011-03-xx **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3681

Hi, guys, I am glad to announce that there is going to be an expedition to BY8 area and this time it will be loud! In an co-operation with Yunnan Astronomical Observatory, we are given the opportunity to activate an 11m diameter dish for 432MHz EME. This operation is going to take place in mid-March from Chengjiang (OL14kq). I am currently working closely with the observatory to make this a success. The expedition team consists of several amateur radio operators including BA1DU, BA4TA, BA4RN, BH4REQ, BH4RLO and me. We will also try to be active for 144MHz from this location. After the big dish operation. The team is going to activate Shangri-la (NL97ut) on 144MHz/432MHz EME with a portable set of equipment (TBD). AFAIK, this is going to be the first activation of EME from NL97. More detailed schedule will be posted in the near future. I will be travelling in the US until the end of Feb. Let me know if you have any suggestion. I also have to remind you that such an operation could be canceled or postponed at any moment,as it did for XX9. Anyway, we are doing our best... RIG on 144 MHz might be 2x 10el and 1KW
SOURCE: tnx to Michael Chen, BD5RV/4, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: PJ4 ; Square: FK52 ; Start: 2011-04-07 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3684

Announcement New DXCC 144MHz moonbounce: PJ4(FK52ud)
Bonaire is a new DXCC since 10-10-2010 see
www.arrl.org/news/dissolution-of-netherlands-antilles-creates-four-new-dxcc-entities
Before this date Bonaire was part of the Netherlands Antilles and
counted for DXCC Netherlands Antilles. Since 10-10-2010 the
Netherlands Antilles are deleted as DXCC but a qso with PJ4/PA3CNX
PJ4/PE1L, PJ4EME or PJ4NX still counts (for the DXCC award) for
this deleted entity (compare with East Germany or Czechoslovakia
see http://www.arrl.org/deleted-entities) You will get a chance to
add a new entity to your DXCC-list while the 'old one' still
counts for the DXCC award. We are happy to announce that from
April 7 th until April 11 th 2011 PJ4X will be active from Bonaire
on 144 MHz moonbounce. The locator will be FK52ud. We want to be
active from moonrise till moonset. We try to send at least once a
day a update via MoonNet, MMMonVHF and our mailinglist. READ ALL,
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3684
SOURCE: tnx to Rene, PE1L, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: CN ; Square: IM52 ; Start: 2011-06-15 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3682

Guy, F2CT, will try to be qrv again as CN2CT from IM52
He will have capacibility for 144 MHz, 432MHZ and 1296 MHz.
Time frame mid june to mid july 2010...
SOURCE: UKW-DX-Telegramm 2/11 (by DL8HCZ)

** DXCC: PJ7 ; Square: FK ; Start: 2011-06-22 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3407

New DXCC Sint Maarten (since 10-10-2010) qrv in June/July 2011
W6JKV and K6MYC will go June/July 2011 for 2 and 6 mtr.
SOURCE: UKSMG Announce & K6MYC direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
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and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** PJ2T (FK52ME) on 6 Meters **

Geoff W0CG/PJ2DX and I will be arriving at the PJ2T station on
Curacao Friday afternoon, and although neither of us are VHF ops,
we will have radio on 6 meters over this coming weekend. We have
only 100W and a 4.5-element yagi (one element half has dropped
off). In the unlikely event that conditions allow, you will have
a much better chance to work Jean-Claude PJ2BVU, who knows and
loves the band! On the following weekend, please work PJ2T in the
CQWW 160 CW Contest! 73, Jeff Maass K8ND Station Manager, PJ2T
Caribbean Contesting Consortium CCC Web Site: http://www.pj2t.org

SOURCE: ICPO Bulletin - LATEST NEWS from Jim, PJ2/W8WTS, dated 2011-01-27: PJ2/W8WTS (Curacao) will be QRV for skeds FRIDAY January 28 moonset. Hello Everyone, We had a great morning down here in Radio Paradise. We completed the first EME QSO from the new DXCC entity Curacao with Lance, W7GJ. This was actually the second EME QSO that I have completed in 36 years on the air. The EME setup here at the PJ2T station is ad hoc and will need to come down soon. If anyone would like a sked on Friday morning, that will be the last opportunity for this trip. Please contact me via email at jim@w8wts.com if you would like a sked on Friday morning. Best operating times will be 1445Z to 1800Z, January 28 If I don't hear from anyone, I probably will not set up again to-morrow morning. Many thanks to Lance for his hard work in making our little EME experiment from Curacao possible.
SOURCE: Jim, PJ2/W8WTS, via MoonNet and 50MHz MAGIG BAND EME

** DXpedition to Kiritimati (Christmas Island) T32C **

LATEST NEWS taken from FT2/11: JA1JRU will try to be qrv on 6m EME JT65A a these expedition. 2m is not planned until now... MAIN NEWS: Pre-Announce of a Amateur Radio DXpedition to Kiritimati (Christmas Island) in the Northern Line Islands, a part of the Republic of Kiribati. The DXpedition is being organised by the Five Star DXers Association (FSDXA) and will operate using the call sign T32C between 28 September and 26 October.
SOURCE: Webpage: http://www.t32c.com/

** V25DR (FK97bd) qrv in June from Antigua (V2) **

W9DR as V25DR will operate holiday style.
Concentrating on 6m SSB/CW on 50.115 MHz from Antigua [Na 100 FK97BD] from June 14 to June 28. QSL via home call ....
SOURCE: tnx to W9DR, direct to MMMonVHF

** KH8, Tutuila Island (AH45), qrv on HF and 6m **

Ron, WA8LOW, plus others will be active as homecall/KH8 from Tutuila Island (IOTA OC-045, USi AS007S, WLOTA 4385, WFF KFF-053 Eastern county, Grid Loc. AH45), American Samoa, between 30th July and 14th August 2011. Plans are to be QRV with high power stations on 160-6 metre CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. The will have beam antennas for 40-6 and vertical on 160 and 80. QSL direct to home calls.
SOURCE: [NG3K] via ICPO Bulletin (21-28 January 2011)

** DX Operation: ea8 **

160m-6m holiday style - QSL to pa3leo or LoTW - Begin date: 20110120
End date: 20110308 Callsign(s): ea8/ik1pmr, ea8/pa3leo
SOURCE: tnx to Bill, ng3k direct to MMMonVHF

** DX Operation: Belize **

Jim (WB2REM), Paul (W4PGM) and Glenn (KD2JA) will be operating
from Placentia, Belize from March 23 until March 30, 2011. Qsl
direct only to each operator's call. QSL to V31MM via Jim WB2REM,
V31GB via Glenn KD2JA and V31PM via W4PGM. We will be on both SSB
and CW, 160-6 meters with a concentration on WARC bands and 6 m.
When QSLing please supply a SASE (from stateside) or (Overseas)
Self Addressed Envelope with either a green stamp depending on the
US Air Mail Rate at the time or an IRC. This will ensure you will
receive a response to your QSL request...
SOURCE: tnx to Bill, ng3k direct to MMMonVHF

** 2011 Six Meter Expedition to Saba Island ï¿½ PJ6 **

LATEST NEWS from Andy, N8OFS, dated 2011-01-26::
Antenna will be 7 ele OWA on 30 boom. Power is limited to 150 w.
on Saba and St. Eustacia as well as Bonaire. All this will be
posted on website in next few weeks.
Six Meter Expedition to Saba Island (PJ6) is taking shape.
The team will be K5AND ï¿½ Dick, W5OZI ï¿½ Pat and K5TR ï¿½ George.
We have alocation picked out reserved on the island. It is
located on thenortheast part of the island at about 150 meters
above sea leavel (490ft) with perfect take off to the US, EU, AF
and most of SA. The planis to operate CW on 50.106 Mhz and SSB on
50.118 Mhz. We will also beon JT65 during moonsets and moonrises
on 50.210 Mhz. We should have aweb site in the coming month to
post updates to the trip. We do not know what callsign(s) we
will use. (from their Webpage: http://dkhanson.com/pj6/)
SOURCE: GOTO & 425-DX-News / W7GJ & N8OFS

** Herne Island (IOTA AF-068, WW Loc. IL23AP) qrv HF and 6m **

Operators Leopoldo, I8LWL (5C2L), Alfredo, IK7JWX (5C2J), Ruggero,
IK2PZC (5C2P) and Mounaim, CN8QY plan to activate the rare Herne
Island (IOTA AF-068, WW Loc. IL23AP) on 1-5th of February 2011.
QRV on all HF bands, including WARC, and also 6 metres. Modes will
be mainly SSB, with Digital modes and some CW. QSL information:
for Italians op. via home calls, for CN8QY via I8LWL. Log online
will be available after the DXpedition. For updates check their
website at: www.i8lwl.it/ NOTE: no credit will be given for
operations after 31 January 2001 from the following islands unless
evidence is produced that removes the doubt over IOTA qualification
mentioned below. In the case of sovereignty dispute, copies of the

licence and permission to operate from the island are required.
Credit will continue to be allowed for operations that took place
before 1 February 2001. AF-068 S0 (CN) Herne and Virginia Islands
- sovereignty disputed between Western Sahara and Morocco.
SOURCE: [IK7JWX] via ICPO Bulletin (28 January-04 February 2011)

** SPECIAL EVENT GB5LLB **

Southport and District Amateur Radio Club will be running GB5LLB
from Lytham Lifeboat Station on 29 January 2011. The station is
being run as part of SOS Radio Week and is being sponsored, with
all monies received going to the RNLI. Contact can be made on 2m
and whichever HF bands are open on the day. QSL via G0JCQ (QTHR).
The club would like to express their thanks to Snowdonia Radio
Company for supporting the station by supplying the vertical HF
antennas that will be used. Further details can be
found on the club's website at: www.sadarc.org.uk/.
SOURCE: [GB2RS] via ICPO Bulletin (28 January-04 February 2011)

** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next thursday 2359 UTC ...

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like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USER who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/kontact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY & PA4EME

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83. Failure

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-28 11:28:00 UTC
From: Lardass <anon@anon>
Message-ID: <4dquq0.ca9.17.1@news.alt.net>
Source record: 4923

Give it up, Mork.

84. Nimbusters Ham Board returns. Mark fails again.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-28 13:05:44 UTC
From: UberJacker <nohijack@houston-hunks.com>
Message-ID: <70bab886-bcb9-4acf-8ba8-5e587294e35c@a8g2000pri.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4924
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

The message board that Mark has been trying to spam to death has returned at a new location:

http://subgurls.com/forumGOOD/forum.php?board=1

It will remain there until a new server is found. After that, Mark will be permanently blocked, along with anyone else who spams the board.

85. WIANEWS FOR WEEK COMMENCING JAN 30 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-28 14:07:56 UTC
From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
Message-ID: <b927718e-ecba-4de4-a179-6bceb767533d@smxsrv01.vintek.net>
Source record: 4925
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2011-01-30.mp3
Text edition:

THE BEST NEWS YOU'LL GET ALL WEEK

Oh... and to contact us with your news because
If It Matters To You It Matters To Us!

email nationalnews@wia.org.au

http://www.wia.org.au (click news in member area) Submit your audio news

Please.. If you are only submitting text and not audio, write your story as
you would expect to hear it being read back and NEVER send just links & url's.

WIANEWS FOR WEEK COMMENCING JAN 30 2011.

VK6LA BECOMES OA

Antique Wireless Radio Transmitter found in flood debris.

AUSTRALIA'S MOST WANTED

Riverina Field Day

US 6 meter signals into Eastern Australia

Black Ops, The Aspidistra transmitter

ALL THESE STORIES UP AND COMING IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS
INSTITUTE OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING JANUARY 30 2011.

Lionel ALLEN - VK6LA / VK9CB has been awarded the Medal of the Order of
Australia, the citation reads "For service to the community of Cocos (Keeling)
Islands through the preservation and promotion of local history and heritage"

Lionel had worked on Cocos during the 1960's and after retiring made several
visits to Cocos to activate that rare VK9 location for fellow amateurs.

It was during one of these visits he looked for recorded history of the
Islands and finding only minimal information set about researching the
Cocos Keeling group of islands

Years of painstaking research and many visits later a more comprehensive picture of Cocos history had evolved and for this, plus his ongoing involvement with the promotion of Cocos history and heritage, Lionel has been awarded the Medal of the Order of Australia.

Antique Wireless Radio Transmitter found in flood debris.

Radio 4BC in Brisbane along with The Toowoomba Chronicle say that among the tonnes of flood debris, Lockyer Valley resident Howard Reck thinks he has stumbled across a family heirloom.

Three days after the region was hit by floodwater, Mr Reck found what he believed to be a World War II or Korean War antique radio, 30 kilometres downstream from Grantham.

Speaking on 4BC he explained how it looked like one of those big units seen in the Mash TV show, but has a Polish name engraved at same stage on the rear of the metal cabinet.

If you are the item's rightful owner, and can provide information about its special markings, contact Chronicle reporter Anthea Gleeson, email anthea.gleeson@thechronicle.com.au

Libraries adopt RFID system

Melbourne Library Service has celebrated a historic milestone, after implementing technology to enhance the efficiency of user transactions.

Said to be the world's first RFID self-service solution with EFTPOS, it was implemented in the Melbourne City and East Melbourne Libraries.

While many libraries have installed the RFID technology, this is claimed to be the first solution that allows users to pay outstanding fines.

The RFID system's use in the Melbourne City Library, which averages 3000 visitors and 3500 loans each weekday, has produced the strongest response, given the bulk of these transactions were previously conducted by library staff.

http://www.radiocomms.com.au/news/44730

(Sourced from the Radio Comms E-zine)

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Field Day Logs Due

Last week VK7 News ran in item attributed to John Martin VK3KM reminding listeners that the logs for the Summer VHF-UHF Field Day are due by Monday 31 January. So here is VERY late reminder to the rest of Australia!

For those who wish to enter the optional Microwave Challenge, the scoring sheet has an extra page for you to record the greatest distances worked on 1296 MHz and higher bands. Alternatively, you can include details of distances worked in the body of your email.

Take a look at the website on the email and internet editions of the broadcast for more details.

http://www.wia.org.au/members/contests/vhfuhf/

Speaking of logs that need be in or resubmitted, same same goes for the 2010 CQ DX Marathon.

John, K9EL, CQ DX Marathon Administrator, reports log submissions for the Marathon must be in by 2359Z, tomorrow 31 January 2011.

Please visit http://www.dxmarathon.com for details on submitting your log.

Please note that the DX Marathon E-mail server crashed and was down from 0500Z to 2200Z on January 19th. Any logs sent during that period are unfortunately lost and will need to be re-submitted. If you are not sure, a complete list of all logs received is posted on the website.

If you do not see your call, please re-submit.

AUSTRALIA'S MOST WANTED

Low Power Radio Solutions (LPRS), a European supplier of short-range radio devices, has provided a high-sensitivity, Omni directional Yagi antenna to four amateur space enthusiasts who have now managed five successful high-altitude balloon flights into near space.

The balloon is fitted with a computer probe and digital cameras to send information back to Earth as live internet events.

Spacebits is the brainchild of four technology enthusiasts from Portugal who have been inspired by recent amateur ballooning projects posted to the internet.

http://www.radiocomms.com.au/news/44733

Now the web story, and with all items read on this national news web details are available when you log onto wia.org.au and read the text editions, is probably of immense interest to one VK4 ham in particular!

Steve VK4KHQ wants to hear from amateurs who have experience or dabbled with UAV's (Unmanned Aerial Systems, particularly streaming real-time data for video & telemetry etc.

Please contact Steve VK4KHQ on 07 3409 1135 or vk4khq2@ozemail.com.au

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

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Notice is hereby given of the annual general meeting of the members of the Canberra Region Amateur Radio Club Incorporated to be held at Mount

Mugga Mugga Scout Hall, 17 Astrolabe Street, Red Hill, ACT on Wednesday February 23 at 8.00PM

(Bruce Howard VK2MIB Secretary)

VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news

July 31 sees the Riverina Field Day. This is a ham day put on by the Albury Wodonga amateur Radio Club and opens 10am at the Lavington Scout Group Hall Lavington with admission $5.00.

Traders, second hand equipment, hot food, free tea and coffee. All welcome.

Places for exhibitors and traders still available, for more information contact Tom vk2my.

sanders_01@bigpond.com

(Stafford Simpson vk2ast@wia.org.au)

VK4 - QNEWS
web service local audio news:- www.wiaq.com/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
local news email qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
VKR Roundup http://www.police.qld.gov.au/News+and+Alerts/Media+Releases/

Welcome to QNews from VK4WIA. I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP, and I've been thinking.

Have we all marked our calendars and started planning for the National Field Day on 17th April, next? This is for amateurs to set up and work the bands in prominent locations so that the public can meet us as ambassadors of our club and our hobby. To move the process along, get out the media kit from last year's Field Day and start bringing the details up to date. The pre-publicity will pay dividends with people travelling hearing of the event on broadcast radio, or reading a par in the local newspaper that will improve the public attendance. If your area has an internet events calendar, ensure that your event is listed there.

Back in the heyday of CB, there was a popular bumper sticker which stated "CBers do it on the air." The amateurs popularised a sticker of their own, "Amateurs talk to the World."

Times have moved on but the basic idea of people communicating still rings out around the world. The International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) and our own WIA have adopted a slogan to be used here in VK-land for the National Field Day.

A cute combination of words recognising the history and linking with current technology trends.

"Amateur Radio: The first technology-based social network."

What a way to theme the day.

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think....how about you?

Redcliffe and District Radio Club
www.redclifferadioclub.org.au/

I'm Ray, VK4CF with news from Redcliffe Amateur Radio club.

There were about 40 members at the club last Monday night with about half the members there to participate in the regular monthly fox hunt. Shaun, VK4FY and his daughter, took the role of planting the fox as the usual fox planter, Ken, VK4FKEN and his wife Wendy, VK4FWEN were enjoying the delights of the Great Barrier Reef. Shaun found some new locations to place the fox which drove both, Charlie, VK4YZ and Peter, VK4TAA, to distraction before finally finding the elusive quarry.

Ken has been able to maintain contact with the club via echo link and has been working as a maritime mobile station and completely enjoying himself.

Meanwhile back at the club house, Kev, VK4UH, was sharing the success of his latest DXpedition to Norfolk Island and told club members that there were many contacts to both Australia and New Zealand with some 12 yet to be confirmed records in the 2 metre, UHF and higher bands.

Kev told the group of a possible new record for Australia with a successful moon bounce contact on 2 metres from Norfolk to Spain. Kev has promised that he will provide more details of the whole expedition in the form of a technical talk in a few months time. That is something not to be missed.

Club President, David, VK4DC, showed off his, what he called his United Nations 2 metre linear amplifier. He calls the linear that name as he had to source parts from some 15 different suppliers in 12 countries around the world. The quality of the homebrew construction was excellent and it has been tested with excellent results. This project took over 4 months to build due the slow delivery of parts but it is now ready to hit the airwaves very soon.

Many club members were involved with either flood work in the Moreton Bay District and assisting with the clean-up in the Brisbane area. Well Done Guys, you should be very proud of your fine work.

It was also pleasing to catch up with Mal, VK4UMS, after his extended holiday in the US and looking at the photos of the cruise ship and his adventure in the lap of luxury he spent on his 4 week cruise from LA to the Caribbean and back. Mal is back off the US again soon to the Dayton Hamfest and we all hope that the Aussie dollar remains high so he will be able to bring back some real goodies.

Next Monday night is a general chit chat night and all amateurs are welcome to visit the club house. It is usually open about 6.30 pm local time and there is some interesting banter on the Redcliffe Repeater as members make their way to the clubhouse.

So now it's 73 from Ray, VK4CF and you are listening to QNEWS.

theTARCinc Management Meeting this Tuesday

The Management Meeting of the Townsville Amateur Radio Club happens this Tuesday 1st of February from 7-30pm at the Club Rooms perched atop the SES HQ Green Street West End. Make sure you bring along something for the Show and Tell session, all welcome !

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local area news :- http://reast.asn.au/news.php
vk7 local news, email vk7regionalnews-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

The next meetings of the NWT-ATV Group are scheduled for Saturday February 5 at the QTH of Ursula VK7FROO, 24 Malonga Drive, Burnie.

Please note this will be the Club's AGM with a General Meeting following the AGM.

IF any member would like to try his/her hand at being involved at managing the Club, here is your chance, Nomination forms are available from the Club.

Amateur Television Activity is percolating along quite well and in recent times, Ulverstone has been fortunate in having two Coastal Amateurs relocate to its town.

We are talking about Steve VK7ZSJ and Ross VK7WP, and because they are in relatively close proximity to Tony VK7AX, a renewed interest in ATV activity is taking place. Regular ATV transmissions on 70CM. are taking place with all the daily Amateur Radio Broadcasts from VK7AX being transmitted on 70CM ATV.

(Tony VK7AX, News Officer - North West Tas. ATV Group)

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART and the WW sources of the WIA.

D-STAR ACTIVE IN JOHANNESBURG

The first digital repeater in Johannesburg is active on the air. The repeater is on loan for demonstration purposes and is offering amateurs an opportunity to experiment with D-Star.

While there are other digital on-air technologies being used by amateurs, D-Star is one of the first on-air and packet-based standards.

D-STAR offer clearer signals and uses less bandwidth than its non-digital counterparts. As long as the signal strength is above a minimum threshold and no multi-path is occurring, the quality of the data received is better than an analogue signal at the same strength.

GB1OOD is issued for the year 2011 by Ofcom as a Special event callsign.

It will be used through out the year to celebrate the 100 years of the Derby Wireless Club.

They lay claim to being the oldest continually active local wireless club in the WORLD!

Until 25th of march GB1OOD is operating from the "Silk Mill Museum" in the City Centre of Derby.

OVER THE HORIZON RADAR ON 7 AND 10 MHZ

The latest issue of the free IARU Monitoring System newsletter reports on Russian radar in 7 MHz.

The newsletter says that the Over the Horizon Radar from Russia was active between 7000 and 7200 kHz with burst transmissions on 5 different frequencies on December 30th of 2010.

The pulse rate was, as always 66.66 pulses per second.

Meantime another Over the Horizon Radar that is based in Cyprus has been destroying communications on the 10 MHz band every afternoon.

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

QSLING: ARRL LoTW NOW AVAILABLE TO VHF AND UHF OPERATORS

The ARRL has announced that its very popular Logbook of the World has been upgraded to support awards based on Maidenhead grid squares, such as VUCC and the Fred Fish Memorial Award.

Logbook of the World ins an online system for hams to use to confirm two-way contacts. It can also be utilized that can be used for various ARRL awards. Until now it has been limited to confirming contacts on the high frequency bands. Now members of the ham community who enjoy operation on 50 MHz and above can utilize its services as well.

To take advantage of the new features, you need to log in to your Logbook of the World has account or create one if you are not already as user of the service. After that, just follow the outlined procedures found on the Logbook of the World pages. More information on how to do this is at the ARRL website. Use www.tinyurl.com/5vw4nkd to take you directly there.

ICOM ASKS HELP IN STOPPING COUNTERFEIT IC-V8 HT'S

Icom is out to stop whoever is supplying counterfeit copies of its popular IC-V8 2 meter hand-held radio. Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP, has the details:

Fake transceivers, battery packs and chargers began being reported in 2010. Icom says that the difference between a real model IC-V8 handheld and the knock-off phoney radios are so small that a blind user might not know they are using a fake radio.

For example, the number 2 key on the real IC-V8 is for the "P Beep" function. On the fake radio number 2 is "VOX". Also, on the back of the real Icom product the serial number tag is black while it is white on the fake radio.

Even accessories are being cloned. The F21 Battery Pack looks like an Icom but there are two differences. The fake does not have the ICOM logo, and carries the Part Number BP-208 instead of BP209N as found on the real Icom battery. Lastly, the optional factory remote microphone is designated by Icom as the HM-133 while the counterfeit is HM-133V. Icom says that a real HM-133V is for

other radios in their product line.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP, in Scottsdale, Arizona.

Icom asks that if you find a product that you may suspect is counterfeit, please report it to the company's support centre. You can contact Icom at 2380 116th Avenue NE, Bellevue, Washington, 98004 in the United States. Or by phone to area code 425-454-8155.

More about the products mentioned in this story is on-line:
IC-V8 Handheld Radio - http://www.icom.co.jp/world/notice/pdf/V8.pdf
F21 Battery Pack - http://www.icom.co.jp/world/notice/pdf/F21.pdf
HM133 Microphone - http://www.icom.co.jp/world/notice/pdf/2720H.pdf

LISTENER DRIVEN RADIO ADDS NEW FEATURES

Listener Driven Radio, an interactive audio software platform for broadcasters is adding several new features. The company's SMS text messaging capabilities now make it possible for listeners to sign up for a text message to their mobile device when their favourite songs play. Listeners can also receive alerts via e-mail, AOL Instant Messenger, Yahoo Messenger, MSN Messenger, Jabber and Google Talk.

For those not aware, Listener Driven Radio is a new model for radio, shifting stations from broadcasts to what it calls crowdcasts. That's where listeners vote, and a stations programming is affected in real-time. More is on-line at www.ldrradio.com

GLOBAL TUNES REACHES 55 RECEIVERS WORLD WIDE

You can now access 55 receivers world wide on the Global Tuners dot com website. Receivers on-line operate a variety of modes including the AM and FM broadcast bands, the shortwave spectrum, HF and UHF bands in various modes.

Countries currently on-line include the USA, Australia , Finland, France, Germany , Greece , Italy , Hong Kong , the Netherlands, the Slovak Republic, Sweden and the United Kingdom to mention only a few. So far there are 33,777 registered members and you will have to sign up for an account if you wish to control a receiver.

For more information take your web browser to www.globaltuners.com and global tuners is spelled as one word.

RUSSIA TO RESUME SPACE TOURIST FLIGHTS IN 2013

Listen out for space tourists to once again operating on-orbit from the International Space Station sometime in or after 2013. This after Russia announces that it will start selling multimillion-dollar tourist tickets to the International Space Station after a four-year hiatus.

Virginia-based Space Adventures has had no seats to sell for the zero-gravity voyage since billionaire Cirque du Soleil founder Guy Laliberte flew to the orbiting outpost back in October 2009. But according to recent news reports,

beginning in 2013 it will again offer three 10 day trips per year to the space station aboard Russian Soyuz spacecraft. This, thanks to a deal between itself, the Russian space agency Roskosmos and Soyuz manufacturer R-S-C Energia.

Russia has again found room for paying private customers aboard the cramped three-seat Soyuz due to plans to increase annual production of the single-use craft from four to five in 2013. The Soyuz is carried to orbit by Russian rockets that are launched from the Bikenour Cosmodrome in Kazikstan.

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OPERATIONAL NEWS -

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2011

Jan 1-31 WIA ROSS HULL MEMORIAL VHF/UHF

Feb 26-27 ZL Jock White Field Day

Mar 19-20 WIA John Moyle Field Day weekend

Apr 30 WW Marconi Day 2011 www.gb4imd.org.uk in due

Jock White Field Day 26th and 27th February, stations in ZL it's time to get your team together for Field Day. Get those antennas sorted and give the generator set a test run.

The single station 80/40 section will be continued on for 2011 after being a success last year.

Rule changes are available from Stuart ZL2TW but included in the changes is the number of CW contacts per band have been reduced from 25 to 20.

(Stuart Watchman)

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, REPEATER BEACON DX AND NET ADVICE
hf nets ON the net, www.timroberts-vk4yeh.id.au/
logging programs try:-

The first reports of US 6 meter signals into Eastern Australia occurred on January 11th at the turn of the UT Day.

Steve VK3ZAZ says that for several weeks amateurs in ZL1 and ZL3 had made infrequent contacts with K6MYC, N5JEH and Bob K6QXY who runs a 44 element array but nothing had extended to Australia.

But on the morning of the 11th Norm VK3DUT logged the K6FV beacon in California on 50.068 MHZ Grid CM87. This beacon runs 100 watts and a yagi antenna which at the time was directed towards the South Pacific.

Then Steve VK3OT on tuning the 6M band at 0035 UTC heard CW signals from N5JEH in New Mexico USA on 50.105 running at around 579. He then tuned up to the US call channel on 50.125 and encountered W0OGH in DM 43 ii calling CQ on CW and a two way occurred, the first into USA from VK3 since Cycle 23 in the year 2000/01!

Other stations active on 6M this month included VK5CP/9L Lord Howe island, H44DA Solomon's, H40FN Temotu heard by many VK3s who could not break his keyer, the DU1EV/beacon on 50.006 the AH2G/Beacon on 50.004, KG6DX Joe in Guam, several VK8s from Darwin, FK8CP and FK8IA and VK0KEV Macquarie Island.

(73 from Steve VK3ZAZ Wannon Victoria).

Blackrock Castle Observatory Cork

North Cork Radio Group will be active EI1NC/P on February 19 and 20 from Blackrock Castle Observatory a 16th century Castle located 4km from the heart of Cork city on the banks of the river Lee.

The Castle has seen many uses in its vast history and now houses the cutting edge of space and observation technology.

(www.bco.ie and www.ei1nc.com)

Mats SM6LRR is QRV from Sri Lanka as 4S7LRG mainly on 160, 80 and 40m till 4th February. He hopes to take part in the CQ WW 160m CW Contest at the end of the month so anyone needing 4S7 on Top Band should keep a look out for him. QSL's go via SM6LRR.

Three Swedish amateurs are active from Madagascar until early February. They are signing 5R8HL and are located on the mainland IOTA AF-013 and on Nosy Be Island IOTA AF-057.

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For the Island chasers quite a rare one is due February with CN2LWL being operated by a group of Italian amateurs from Herne Island IOTA AF-068. Dates are 1 - 5 February and QSL info is via I8LWL.

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Gerd DJ4KW and Gisela DK9GG will operate from V31YN and V31GW respectively in Belize until the end of February. During the period 2 - 8 February they hope to go to Southwater Caye (IOTA NA-180) using the call V31YN/P.

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To celebrate the 50th anniversary of independence, stations in Kuwait will be using the 9K50 prefix from now until the end of February.

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For those of you who enjoy collecting new prefixes look for TC 2011 EWU from now until 6 February. This station is active during the World University Games in Erzurum in Turkey.

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The Microlight Penguins Group are off on another trip down south where they will activate VP8ORK from the South Orkney Islands.
This is a rare one for DXCC purposes and should be on the air till February 8.

(* thanks to irts news)

The Porthmadog and District Amateur Radio Society are supporting SOS Radio week operating today, 30th January from the Porthmadog Yacht club.
The society will be using the callsign GB0PLB.
(rsgb)

Crewe Heritage Centre Amateur Radio Club will also be taking part in SOS Radio week using GB4CHC today, Sunday 30th January. The Club will have two stations on HF, one on SSB and one on Digimodes. They are being sponsored at 10p per country contacted and money raised will go to the RNLI.
(rsgb)

IT'S A PUZZLEMENT!

With a callsign that LOOKS like "Siam" the original country name for Thailand comes word of a Thai operation from Sweden with Belgium Operators !

Special event station SI9AM from the King Chulalongkorn Memorial in Sweden, the largest Thai Pavilion in the world outside Thailand, will be active until January 31st.

Operators will be Raf/ON5RZ, Dirk/ON7DS and Fons/ON4AWT.

Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and FM.

But to QSL, use SM 3 CVM direct or by the Bureau.

For more information, visit the SI9AM Web page:

www.si9am.se

INTRUDER WATCH - ENFORCEMENT ZONE

We mentioned this last week, that "that" pirate is active again in the CW section of 40 Meters

A station has been heard over the last 2 or 3 weeks, 7008 to 7010 last worked 14th Jan @ 1442z 7010.

Please report any unusual activity or better capture a 20 second MP3 audio file and post it to IntruderWatch@googlegroups.com

We need to catch this person so please help us out

Phillip ZL2TZE (ZLDXC List Owner)

DJ9KR PUBLISHES 40 METER BROADCAST INTRUDER LIST

Ulrich Bihlmayer, DJ9KR, of Tuebingen, Germany, has published a list of broadcast stations still operating in the 7.0 to 7.2MHz amateur service radio band. The list can be downloaded from in Adobe PDF format at tinyurl.com/4c8ootr.

The latest version was published on January 11th. Using it as a handy reference you should be able to determine what station might be interfering with a QSO and where that station is located.

Excellent graphics concerning the intruder situation in Region 1 / Europe
during 2010, see http://www.iarums-r1.org/iarums/int2010

Visit also the powerpoint presentation on the IARU Region 1 Monitoring System
homepage, see http://www.iarums-r1.org/iarums/bw-2010.pps

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ARDF
WIA ARDF COORDINATOR VK3WWW Jack vk3www@wia.org.au
http://users.mackay.net.au/~ron/
http://www.homingin.com
http://www.ardf.org.au

Sep 23-28 R3 Region 3 ARDF Championship Bendigo VK3
http://r3.ardf.org.au/

At this stage teams from the Region 3 Societies attending are :-
China (CRSA), Korea (KARL), New Zealand (NZART), Japan (JARL),
Malaysia {MARTS).

Non Region 3 teams to attending the event are from Czech Radio Club (CRC)
and Kazakhstan Federation of Radio Sport. (KFRR)

For more information regarding the event please email VK3WWW Jack Bramham
Chairman of the Organizing Committee. vk3www@wia.org.au

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- CW
FISTS Club - East Asia www.feacw.net
FISTS Club - Australasia www.fistsdownunder.org
FISTS Club - UK & Europe www.fists.co.uk
FISTS Club - Americas www.fists.org

Host required for the High Speed Telegraphy World Championships 2011

Following the decision made at the last HSTWC, the IARU Region 1 HST Working
Group is looking for an IARU Region 3 Member Society to host the next (9th)
IARU High Speed Telegraphy World Championship in 2011.

Details of requirements from:

HST WG Chairman Oliver Tabakovski Z32TO
Bul. Partizanski odredi 74/41
1000 Skopje, Republic of Macedonia or
E-mail: oliver.z32to@gmail.com

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

AMSAT-VK UNOFFICIAL HF Net.
2nd Sunday each month.
April through October 1000 UTC 3.685 MHz
November through March 0900 UTC 7.068 MHz

Researchers at the University of Surrey and Surrey Satellite Technology
Limited (SSTL) have developed 'STRaND-1', a satellite containing a smartphone
payload that will be launched into orbit around the Earth later this year.

STRaND-1 (Surrey Training, Research and Nanosatellite Demonstrator) is being developed by the Surrey team to demonstrate the advanced capabilities of a satellite built quickly using advanced commercial off-the-shelf components.

Smartphones pack lots of components - such as sensors, video cameras, GPS systems and WiFi radios that are technologically advanced but a fraction of the size, weight and cost of components used in existing satellite systems and because many smartphones also run on free operating systems that lend themselves to online software developers, creators of applications ('apps') for smartphones could feasibly develop apps for sats.

If a smartphone can be proved to work in space, it opens up lots of new technologies to a multitude of people and companies for space who usually can't afford it.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP --- MILITARY

Aspidistra transmitter site on BBC TV

On Monday last BBC South East broadcast an item about the Aspidistra transmitter site near Crowborough and Radio Amateur Les Rawlings G3FET was interviewed.

In the "Inside Out" show Kaddy Lee-Preston explores a secret weapon hidden deep beneath the Ashdown Forest - Aspidistra - a 500 MW medium wave transmitter used for black propaganda against Nazi occupied Europe during World War II.

The item included an interview with Radio Amateur Les Rawlings, G3FET, who was an engineer at the station.

Series 19. Episode 3/9 of "Inside Out" was broadcast at 7:30pm on Monday January 24 and was available nationwide on SKY channel 983.
It can be watched again on the web at
www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/b00xztmk/Inside_Out_South_East_24_01_2011/

Pictures of Aspidistra including one of G3FET:-
www.qsl.net/g0crw/Special%20Events/Aspidistra3pics.htm

BBC web broadcasts to viewers who are outside of the UK are censored.

It is understood these restrictions can be circumvented by using a UK based Proxy Server or a product such as the Expat Shield

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RESCUE RADIO
IARU REGION 3
Emergency Centre of Activity (CoA) frequencies
3.600, 7.110, 14.300, 18.160 and 21.360 MHz

Amateur Radio overseas helps rescue co-ordination

Radio Amateurs in Brazilian have received high praise from Brazilian civil defence authorities during their recent flooding. Lt Col Roberto Robadey said, "without their help, we couldn't have done anything in those first two days,"

Radio amateurs took their radio equipment to key points across the town to provide a communication link between rescue groups.

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REWIND

The Australian Newspaper site (theaustralian.com.au) have an interesting article on a plan to dig for the remains of a world war 2 tunnel at Stalag Luft III called 'George'

The movie "The Great Escape", with Steve McQueen, made Stalag Luft III and its tunnels Tom and Harry infamous. Now it's George's turn.

George, which was built after the breakout of 76 British and Commonwealth airmen in March 1944, will soon be celebrated when a team of British engineers travel to the remains of the camp to excavate it.

The team, who have already identified the entrance to George, hope to find evidence of the preparations that imprisoned airmen made in anticipation of their German captors turning on them when Soviet forces pushed back the German lines.

The tunnel entrance was in the theatre.

Now - five rows back from where the stage was and three seats across. was found what you might call a hollow, a depression in the ground.
George is obviously still there.

Some former PoWs believe that there will be escape equipment and items including radio receivers that were stashed there before the march.

Air Commodore Charles Clarke, who went into George while he was held in Stalag Luft III and is now president of the Ex-Prisoner of War Association, said that some prisoners left more personal items in the tunnels including art work.

Read the full story at
www.theaustralian.com.au/news/world/great-escape-ii-dig-to-shine-light-on-stalag-luft-iii-tunnel-george/story-e6frg6so-1225977798080

SOCIAL SCENE

2011

Feb 13 VK3 Centre Victoria RadioFest No.4 Kyneton Racecourse
(http://amateurradio.com.au/node/865/)

Feb 27 vk2 Central Coast Amateur Radio Club Ham Fest at Wyong
Start Time : Gates open 6.30 am

Feb 27 vk3 YARRA VALLEY HAMFEST at Gary Cooper Pavilion 16 Anzac Av
Yarra Glen. Opens 10am-2pm.
(www//yarravalley.ar.org.au)

Mar 13 vk3 EMDRC White Elephant Sale Heathmont.

Apr 9 vk6 Hills Amateur Radio Group HARGFEST at club rooms Lesmurdie.
(HARGFEST. ie, hamfest run by HARG)

Apr 18 WW "Amateur Radio: The first technology-based social network"
World Amateur Radio Day, April 18, 2011.

May 27-29 WIA AGM Weekend in Darwin
secretary@wia.org.au

Jun 10-12 VK4 Far North and North Queensland Amateur Radio Gathering at
King Reef Resort Kurrimine Beach.

Jul 31 VK2/3 Riverina Field Day 10am at Lavington Scout Group Hall.

Aug 7 VK2 Lismore region - SARCFEST

Sep 23-28 R3 Region 3 ARDF Championship Bendigo VK3
http://r3.ardf.org.au/

Nov 20 vk5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society Hamfest
Goodwood Community Centre, Rosa St Goodwood at 0930.
Visit www.ahars.com.au for contact details

2012

15TH IARU REGION 3 CONFERENCE hosted by V.A.R.C. in Ho-Chi-Minh City, Vietnam.

JAN 23-FEB 17 YEAR 2012
World Radio Conference WRC-11 Geneva 23rd January TO 17th February 2012

MAY 3-18 2012 VK5
YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

FINAL FINAL

Last week we made mention of the eBay auction of the AMSAT-UK SDR Dongle serial
number 200.

A great success - it sold for £430.

The FUNcube SDR dongle usually sells for £125 and the price fetched exceeded
all expectations. The purchaser of the dongle will also have their name or
callsign sent into space on FUNcube.

Speaking of "da dongle' our WIA website last week called for hams to help
NASA try and track NanoSail-D.

Well, operating from batteries, the Amateur Radio satellite NanoSail-D had a
short but successful mission life and Henk PA3GUO has produced a HD video
of reception using his AMSAT-UK FUNcube SDR Dongle to receive NanoSail-D.

Dean Alhorn, NanoSail-D principal investigator said "To get to this point is
an incredible accomplishment for our small team and I can't thank the amateur
ham operator community enough for their help in tracking NanoSail-D,"

"Their assistance was invaluable. In particular, the Marshall Amateur Radio
Club was the very first to hear the radio beacon. It was exciting!"

Read the full MSNBC story at
www.msnbc.msn.com/id/41200759/ns/technology_and_science-space/

Marshall Amateur Radio Club receives NanoSail-D signals
http://www.southgatearc.org/news/january2011/nanosail_beacon_heard.htm

FUNcube Yahoo Group

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/FUNcube/

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Vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
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86. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 30th January 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-28 16:00:14 UTC
From: Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk
Message-ID: <20110128160004.1A0F733C37@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4926
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 30th January 2011

The news headlines:

Advance notice of RSGB AGM

UK Space Agency looking for radio amateur

QSL Manager updates

The 2011 RSGB AGM will be held on 16 April at the Menzies Mickleover Court, Etwall Road, Mickleover, Derby DE3 0XX. Registration will take place at 11am and the official proceedings commence at 12 noon. The Open Forum runs from 2 to 4pm. During the official proceedings, the National Club of the Year trophy, sponsored by Waters and Stanton, will be presented.

The UK Space Agency is soliciting expressions of interest to operate the Ground Segment of the first UK national CubeSat mission. The UK Universal Bus Experiment, or UKube, is a collaborative effort between the UK Space Agency, industry and academic participants. Interestingly, the requirements documents specify that the Ground Station manager must hold a UK Full amateur radio licence. The RSGB understands that the Ground Segment responsibilities will include providing satellite up- and downlinks on amateur bands, plus disseminating data that is received from space. Full details of the requirement, including information on how to apply, is online at www.ukspaceagency.bis.gov.uk/20701.aspx.

87. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-28 21:28:45 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <6e24dec7-3051-4e19-880f-c086b4820a8e@w7g2000pre.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4927
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Jan 28, 8:05 am, UberJacker <nohij...@houston-hunks.com> wrote:
> The message board that Mark has been trying to spam to death has
> returned at a new location:
>
> http://subgurls.com/forumGOOD/forum.php?board=1
>
> It will remain there until a new server is found. After that, Mark
> will be permanently blocked, along with anyone else who spams the
> board.

88. Re: get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-28 21:43:17 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <d07fbddd-49be-4c5d-b5aa-c52b226c3672@u4g2000yqi.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4928

On Jan 26, 5:49 pm, kb9rqz <m...@kb9rqz.com> wrote:
> On Jan 26, 12:30 pm, tejaswini <teju9...@gmail.com> wrote:
>
> > LATEST KATRINA HOT
VIDEOShttp://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/katrinahot.html
> > DEEPIKA PADUKONE HOT
VIDEOShttp://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/deepika-padukone.html
> > HOT ARCHANA
STILLShttp://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/archana.html
>
> can the spam

89. Re: Nimbusters Ham Board returns. Mark fails again.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-29 05:34:27 UTC
From: Lloyd <anon@anon>
Message-ID: <4dsuf2.dni.19.1@news.alt.net>
Source record: 4929
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

"UberJacker" <nohijack@houston-hunks.com> wrote in message
news:70bab886-bcb9-4acf-8ba8-5e587294e35c@a8g2000pri.googlegroups.com...
> The message board that Mark has been trying to spam to death has
> returned at a new location:
>
> http://subgurls.com/forumGOOD/forum.php?board=1
>
> It will remain there until a new server is found. After that, Mark
> will be permanently blocked, along with anyone else who spams the
> board.

Being a lifelong failure is what defines the very essence of Mark Morgan.

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"If Mark Morgan believes a foolish thing, it's still a foolish thing."

90. Re: Nimbusters Ham Board returns. Mark fails again.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-29 14:45:38 UTC
From: Roger Wiseman <rwiseman55@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <ii196n$k1r$1@news.eternal-september.org>
Source record: 4930
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

"UberJacker" <nohijack@houston-hunks.com> wrote in message
news:70bab886-bcb9-4acf-8ba8-5e587294e35c@a8g2000pri.googlegroups.com...
> The message board that Mark has been trying to spam to death has
> returned at a new location:
>
> http://subgurls.com/forumGOOD/forum.php?board=1
>
> It will remain there until a new server is found. After that, Mark
> will be permanently blocked, along with anyone else who spams the
> board.
>
>
Marqueer is posting there again.

http://subgurls.com/forumGOOD/read.php?board=1&id=127070

91. Re: get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-29 19:52:24 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <182627a7-1194-4ccb-bb15-53afd9ff294c@k9g2000yqi.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4931
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Jan 28, 4:28 pm, kb9rqz <m...@kb9rqz.com> wrote:
> On Jan 28, 8:05 am, UberJacker <nohij...@houston-hunks.com> wrote:
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>
>
> > The message board that Mark has been trying to spam to death has
> > returned at a new location:
>
> >http://subgurls.com/forumGOOD/forum.php?board=1
>
> > It will remain there until a new server is found. After that, Mark
> > will be permanently blocked, along with anyone else who spams the
> > board.- Hide quoted text -
>
> - Show quoted text -

92. Like a roach infestation, Nimbusters expands to five boards + change

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-29 19:54:28 UTC
From: UberJacker <nohijack@houston-hunks.com>
Message-ID: <83a60c23-81cc-46ce-a806-aaac02c5cf52@a3g2000yqf.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4932
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

After Sored Mamzer, the Sword Brethren of Eastern Ohio filed a
fraudulent DMCA complaint against Nimbusters, he only caused it to
multiply into many boards and become even more annoying. Right now, I
count five separate boards, plus a place where you can look at a group
photo. They are as follows:

(nimbusters photo) http://www.nimbusters.org
(everyone) http://subgurls.com/busters/forum/index.php?mode=index
(nimbusters) http://subgurls.com/forumGOOD/forum.php?board=8
(hams) http://subgurls.com/forumGOOD/forum.php?board=1
(nimbusters) http://nimbusters.org/forum/forum.php?board=8
(hams) http://nimbusters.org/hams/forum.php?board=1

This is getting out of control and is downright scary. Please don't
ToS Nimbusters again. It has already multiplied enough!

(Obviously, Mark can never win.)

93. SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 30 JANUARY 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-29 20:00:19 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <20110129200006.7E8E233C4E@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4933
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 30 JANUARY 2011

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'ARMI' and follow the links for details. PLEASE NOTE: for audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

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In the news today:

SA AMSAT ANNOUNCE DETAILS OF TWO SATELLITE PROJECTS

NASA's NANOSATELLITE HEARD BY RADIO AMATEURS

ARRL AWARDS TO SA AMATEURS

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting news items.

SA AMSAT ANNOUNCE DETAILS OF TWO SATELLITE PROJECTS

SA AMSAT has announced details of two satellite building projects SAiSAT and Kletskous.

SAiSAT is a longer term project managed by John Willescroft, ZS6EF, looking at overcoming the power limitations of a small satellite by introducing fold out solar panels that besides generating power from sunlight will also host payloads and be used for orbit stabilisation. The objective of SAiSAT is to involve students at Masters and PhD level at both academic universities and universities of technology. Universities and other interested institutions and individuals are invited to join the project. A detailed document is available on the SA AMSAT website at www.amsatsa.org.za.

A SAiSAT briefing session will be held at the National Amateur Radio Centre on 25 March, the day before the SA AMSAT Space Symposium is to be held at Vodaworld.

The second project is called Kletskous, a hands-on CubeSat aimed at promoting greater involvement in satellite activity by South African Radio Amateurs. A preliminary teleconference was held during this past

week reviewing the various options and payload. The first draft of a project plan will be available on www.amsatsa.org.za later this week. Regular updates will be posted as the project develops.

The project is managed by Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP. Hannes is inviting interested persons to join the team. "We are particularly looking for radio amateurs with RF design experience, antenna design experience and software writing experience. Send your contact details and a short description of you technical background to saamsat@intekom.co.za.

SAAMSAT is launching a fundraising campaign and is seeking contributions to its satellite building fund. Donations can be paid into ABSA bank. The account details are SA AMSAT, ABSA account number 560 153 171 Branch code 632 005. All donations will be acknowledges on www.amsatsa.org.za. To ensure acknowledgement please send details of your contribution to saamsat@intekom.co.za with Satellite Fund in the subject line.

Invest in the future of amateur satellite communication, support these projects.

NASA's NANOSATELLITE HEARD BY RADIO AMATEURS

When a NASA nanosatellite -- NanoSail-D -- ejected unexpectedly on January 17 from the Fast Affordable Scientific and Technology Satellite (FASTSAT), the agency called upon Radio Amateurs to help track it. NASA asked radio amateurs to listen on 437,270 MHz for the signal and verify that NanoSail-D was operating. NASA received almost 470 telemetry packets from 11 countries.

The NanoSail-D beacon sent an AX.25 packet every 10 seconds; the packet contained data about the spacecraft's systems operation. Once the NanoSail-D team received confirmation that the nanosatellite did indeed eject, NanoSail-D principal investigator Dean Alhorn quickly enlisted Alan Sieg, WB5RMG, and Stan Sims, N4PMF, to try to pick up NanoSail-D's radio beacon. Both hams work at the Marshall Space Flight Center in Huntsville, Alabama.

"The timing could not have been better," Sieg said. "NanoSail-D was going to track right over Huntsville, and the chance to be the first ones to hear and decode the signal was irresistible." Right before 23:00 UTC on January 17, they heard a faint signal. As the spacecraft soared overhead, the signal grew stronger and the operators were able to decode the first packet: NanoSail-D was alive and well. "You could have scraped Dean off the ceiling. He was bouncing around like a new father," Sieg recalled.

According to NASA, the nanosatellite was last heard at 13:54 UTC on January 21. Telemetry indicates that the sail deployed on schedule and the satellite is now believed to be out of power, which NASA said was to be expected.

NASA is now asking for visual tracking and sighting reports of NanoSail-D, which is about 650 km above the Earth. According to the agency, when the nanosatellite's sail reflects off the Sun, it could be up to 10 times as bright as the planet Venus -- especially later in the mission when the sail descends to lower orbits. You can track NanoSail-D on the web or on your smart phone. NASA estimates that NanoSail-D will remain in low Earth orbit (LEO) between 70 and 120 days, depending on atmospheric conditions.

ARRL AWARDS TO SA AMATEURS

Dennis Wells, ZS1AU, today joins the ranks of SA's top DXCC members.

Tjerk Lammers, ZS6P, the SARL Awards Manager, reported that after 60 years of amateur radio Dennis, ZS1AU, finally submitted his first time ever DXCC application to the ARRL (American Radio Relay League) last year in December.

Dennis was credited with 337 entities which places him in the number three spot on the South African DXCC members phone list.

Congratulations Dennis, you deserve it.

FIRST ZS WORKED ALL STATES TRIPLE PLAY AWARD

The ARRL has awarded the first Worked All States Triple Play award to a South African Radio Amateur. Barry Murrell, ZS2EZ, is the recipient of Award number 492 issued on 7 January 2011.

The Triple Play Award requires working all 50 US States on SSB, CW and RTTY (150 contacts) with all confirmations via LoTW. Only contacts from 1 January 2009 count.

Donovan van Loggerenberg, ZS2DL, has also made all the contacts and received the confirmations, he has submitted his application to the ARRL.

Well done Barry.

CONTEST NEWS

The Antique Wireless Association CW Activity Day will run from 10:00 UTC (12:00 CAT) on Saturday 5 February to 10:00 UTC (12:00 CAT) on Sunday 6 February with CW activity on 20, 40 and 80 metres. This contest is open to radio amateurs interested in CW.

The exchange is a RST report, the operators name and Grid Square locator. Logs to be sent to Andy, ZSADY, either by e-mail to andy.cairns@xsinet.co.za or standard mail to A Cairns, P O Box 12320, Benryn, 1504. Logs must be submitted by Monday 21 February 2001. Find the rules on page 23 of the 2011 SARL Contest Manual.

The first leg of the 2011 SARL National Field Day will start at 10:00 UTC (12:00 CAT) on Saturday 12 February and it will end at 10:00 UTC (12:00 CAT) on Sunday 13 February. Participants may use phone, CW and digital modes on 160 to 10 metres, excluding 30, 17 and 12 metres.

There are five classes of participation catering for multi-operator (club), single operator and general stations. The exchange is made up of the number of transceivers, the class of participation and your provincial abbreviation. Logs must be submitted by Monday 21 February to the Bloemfontein RAC by e-mail or standard mail.

It is very important that participants will read the rules for this contest before the start of the Field Day, find the rules on page 25 to 29 of the 2011 SARL Contest Manual.

LAST CHANCE TO MAKE CONTACT WITH ZS85SARL

For the SARL Field Day on 12 to 13 February, members of the Boland Amateur Radio Club will have the SARL's birthday call sign, ZS85SARL, on the air and will it offer the last opportunity to radio amateurs, who have not yet made contact with ZS85SARL, to do so.

An effort will be made to achieve a WAZS 200 via the SA QSL system under this call sign. Radio amateurs, who have not yet made contact with ZS85SARL, are thus specially invited to contact ZS85SARL during the Field Day event and to confirm the contact via the SA QSL system.

M�re detail about the station will be published on the SARL Website closer to the event.

EAST RAND RADIO CLUB FLEA MARKET

This popular flea market will be held on the 5th February from 12:00 to 15:00 on the sports grounds of the Sel Park Primary school in Pridgeon Str., Selection Park, Springs.

The coordinates for getting there are: S 26° 17 247 & E 28° 27 129
Please come and support us and or bring all your old and new stuff to sell. There will be something cold and hot to drink and also "lekke" pancakes and wors rolls, so bring lots of money please.

Contact Francois, ZR6COI, at 079 932 7131 or email to zr6coi@vodamail.co.za or Judy, ZR6POP, at 074 177 0395 zr6pop@vodamail.co.za for bookings of tables or get them on the 145,675 Springs ERB Repeater.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is still at low levels. Sunspots 1 147 and 1 149 are about to disappear out of direct Earth view. Fortunately a new and as yet unnumbered sunspot is forming on the eastern limb. The effective sunspot number is expected to be less than 15 for the coming week.

15 m will provide the best opportunities for DX followed by 20 m. Conditions to India will be good from the afternoon till after sunset. During the afternoons conditions will be fair towards Europa on 15 m, later to be followed by fair 20 m openings. Early evening 15 m contacts with the USA are possible. Contacts with Australia are possible on 20 m at sunrise. 15 and especially 20 m openings to Brazil and South America

are possible during the afternoons. With the good 15 and 20 m openings 17 m will also be full of surprises.

For the CW and digital enthusiasts 30 m may be very rewarding with openings to many parts of the world.

Locally is 40 m the work horse for contacts around the country with 20 and 30-m also being very useful for contacts over the longer distances. 80 m will be best during the early mornings and late afternoons as well as over the shorter distances.

80 m is the frequency of choice during the evenings.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS 31 January - Closing date for phase 1 of the construction competition. 5-6 February CW Activity day of the Antique Wireless Society. 12-13 February - SARL National Field Day and ZS85SARL on the air for the last time from Saturday 12:00 CAT to Sunday 12:00 CAT. 21 February - Logs for the SARL field day to be in to the Bloemfontein ARC.S 25 February - Logs for AWA CW Activity day to be in to Andy, ZSADY. 28 February - Offers to host a station at Sun City during IARU Region 1 conference to be in to iaru2011@sarl.org.za. 25 March - SAiSAT briefing session at the NARC.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 560 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'ARMI' and follow the links. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 22:05 CAT on 3 215 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by George, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening, 73.
/EX

94. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-29 21:25:36 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <cc2b5038-5e47-4a18-afeb-b2f290a719a9@a28g2000vbo.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4934
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Jan 29, 2:54 pm, UberJacker <nohij...@houston-hunks.com> wrote:
> After Sored Mamzer, the Sword Brethren of Eastern Ohio filed a
> fraudulent DMCA complaint against Nimbusters, he only caused it to
> multiply into many boards and become even more annoying. Right now, I
> count five separate boards, plus a place where you can look at a group
> photo. They are as follows:

> This is getting out of control and is downright scary. Please don't
> ToS Nimbusters again. It has already multiplied enough!
>
> (Obviously, Mark can never win.)
mark (me) has never ToSed nimbusters stan likely knows that

95. NEW HOT PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-30 06:40:22 UTC
From: SAMARA <jaidatta9247@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <7ff878f5-dc82-49b2-bda6-629165fb0bbd@p11g2000vbq.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4935

LATEST KATRINA HOT VIDEOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/katrinahot.html
DEEPIKA PADUKONE HOT VIDEOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/deepika-padukone.html
HOT ARCHANA STILLS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/archana.html
DEEKSHA SETH HOT WALLPAPERS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/deeksha-seth.html
KATRINA KAIF HOT VIDEOS&PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/katrina-kaif.html
SAMEERAREDDY HOT BOOBS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/sameerareddy.html
HOT SEXY ACTRESS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/hot.html
latest hot sruthi hassan stills
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/shurthihassan-new-stills.html
UNSEEN HOT SEXY PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/never.html
SAMANTHA HOT SEXY PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/samantha.html
SEXY DIYA MIRZA
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/diya-mirza.html
HOT AISHWARIYA RAI
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/aish.html
priyamani hot&sexy photos
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/priyamani.html
KATRINA SEXY PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/katrina.html
ANUSHKA HOT PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/anuska.html
BEAUTIFUL AISHWARIYA RAI
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/aiesh.html
TRISHA HOT PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/11/trisha-hot.html
AMISHAPATEL HOT VIDEOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/amisha
HANSIKHA HOT SEXY PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/HANSIKA
HOT SEXY COLLEGE GIRLS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/hot
BEAUTIFUL LARADATTA
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/laradatta
NIKISHA HOT BOOBS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/nikisha

PRIYANKA SPICY LATEST PICS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/priyanka
ONLY FOR YOUTH
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/spicy
SRILEKHA UNSEENED PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/Srilekha
CHOPRA UNBELIVABLE PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/chopra
HOT BIPASA BASU PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/bipasa
TRISHA IN A SEXY FEEL
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/thrisha
SRISHA HOT BOOBS SHOW
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/srisha
BEAUTIFUL POONAM PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/poonam

96. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-30 20:52:17 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <0da3069b-8354-4173-a542-3132b34e17df@y26g2000yqd.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4936

On Jan 30, 1:40 am, SAMARA <jaidatta9...@gmail.com> wrote:
> LATEST KATRINA HOT
VIDEOShttp://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/katrinahot.html
> DEEPIKA PADUKONE HOT
VIDEOShttp://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/deepika-padukone.html
> HOT ARCHANA
STILLShttp://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/archana.html
> DEEKSHA SETH HOT
WALLPAPERShttp://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/deeksha-seth.html
> KATRINA KAIF HOT
VIDEOS&PHOTOShttp://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/katrina-kaif.html
> SAMEERAREDDY HOT
BOOBShttp://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/sameerareddy.html
> HOT SEXY ACTRESS
> http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/hot.html
> latest hot sruthi hassan stills
> http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/shurthihassan-new-stills.html
> UNSEEN HOT SEXY PHOTOS
> http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/never.html
> SAMANTHA HOT SEXY
PHOTOShttp://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/samantha.html
> SEXY DIYA MIRZA
> http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/diya-mirza.html
> HOT AISHWARIYA
RAIhttp://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/aish.html
> priyamani hot&sexy
photoshttp://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/priyamani.html
> KATRINA SEXY
PHOTOShttp://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/katrina.html
> ANUSHKA HOT PHOTOShttp://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/anuska.html
> BEAUTIFUL AISHWARIYA
RAIhttp://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/aiesh.html

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97. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 30th January 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-30 21:00:14 UTC
From: news at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20110130210005.0C68333C4E@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4937
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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IRTS Web Site Changes

The layout of the IRTS web site www.irts.ie was updated during the week. While the structure of the site remains broadly the same as before, following feedback from users we have revised the menus as well as some of the content.

A new page on "Getting an Amateur Station Licence" outlines the skills requirements for a licence, while the "Amateur Station Licence Examination" page explains the examination process.

There is no shortage of data and information about Amateur Radio on the 'Net. With this in mind, the IRTS site focuses on material of particular interest to its members, potential members and other local radio amateurs. Other key sections of the site cater for those studying for a licence and for visitors to Ireland.

Amateur Station Licence Examination

Those studying for the licence examination and their tutors will be interested in the document "Studying for the Harmonised Amateur Radio Examination Certificate" which includes the revised examination syllabus, along with a sample paper based on the new syllabus. This document can be obtained at www.irts.ie/downloads or from the "Amateur Station Licence Examination" page of the IRTS web site.

Your Club Listing on IRTS Website

Club Secretaries, S&#65533;amus EI8BP as Web Editor is preparing to update the Clubs page on the Website. Some of this information is somewhat outdated. Please have a look at your club's entry on the IRTS Website and contact S&#65533;amus by Email at ei8bp / at / eircom / dot / net with any changes. The Website information is an important point of contact for prospective club members and an opportunity to promote your club.

IRTS NEWS on Community Radio

The IRTS weekly news will now be read on 'Dundalkfm' local community radio station on Tuesdays. This provides open access to amateur radio news for the general public, locally and interested people alike. Dundalkfm broadcast on 100 mhz and stream live on the internet on www.dundalkfm.com

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IRTS Weekly News Podcast

Advanced plans are now in place to provide a podcast version of the IRTS weekly news. The MP3 podcast will be available for download from the IRTS website. This development will benefit all service users of the IRTS website. More news on this item to follow next week.

Springtime Amateur Radio Courses

Enrolment for amateur radio theory classes will take place in Dundalk Amateur Radio Society on Thursday February 3rd at 8.30pm sharp. Further information can be obtained from Tony EI4DIB / at / ei7dar/ dot /com or text only to 086 4066660. Everyone welcome. www.ei7dar.com

For radio theory classes in Limerick, information can be obtained from Ger McNamara EI4GXB on 087 2532512 or ei4gxb / at /gmail / dot /com.

For radio theory classes in South Dublin, Classes are starting again at 8:00 pm in Terenure College on Tuesday evenings. Telephone Michael EI2GKB on 087 248 1970 or Email him at miklef / at / oceanfree / dot / net for further information.

The West Tyrone Amateur Radio Club GN4OMA, will take registrations for the radio foundation course taking place on Tuesday February 1st at 8pm sharp. The Venue is Technology Education Centre, 2 Spillers Place, Omagh, County Tyrone. www.wtarc.co.uk.

The Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club will run an Intermediate course and examination in SHARE over three weekends, 12th and 13th, 19th and 20th, and 26th and 27th February. This resumes the course begun in November but abandoned in December's severe weather.

The Club usually meets on Tuesday evenings in SHARE. The thirtieth Lough Erne Rally will be in SHARE's big Arena on Sunday 17th April.

For more information please email Michael Clarke, Chairman, mi5mtc / at/ learc / dot/ eu.

International Marconi Day

International Marconi Day takes place this year on Saturday 30th April. The Howth Martello Radio Group will be participating once again as an award station using the call-sign EI0MAR.

This is not a contest but there are several nice awards available for working the officially listed stations, each of which has an historic

connection with Marconi. The event is organised by the Cornish Amateur Radio Club. For more information please visit the club's website http://crac.g4usb.net/cracblog/.

EI0MAR operates from the Martello Tower overlooking the East Pier in Howth. The tower now houses a vintage radio museum. In 1905 the British Post Office carried out wireless telegraphy experiments at the tower in Howth using Marconi equipment.

Visitors are always welcome at the museum and the group hopes to see many visitors during the IMG event in April. The HMRG's website is www.ei0mar.org where a free information booklet in PDF format can be downloaded.

The North Cork Radio Group are pleased to announce that they will be active from the Marconi Signal Station at Mizen head where Marconi sent many of his first test transmissions to America. Further details will be posted nearer the event, however, please pencil the day free if you'd like to attend or work the station.

Cork Social Evening

Listeners are reminded that Tuesday February 1st is the closing date for tickets for the social evening at the Vienna Woods Hotel in Cork taking place next Saturday February 5th 2011. The event is open to all and newer licensees are particularly encouraged to attend and get to know their fellow amateurs.

Tickets are available from Dave Moore EI4BZ priced at 30.00 and you can contact him on 087-6290574 or by email on ei4bz / at / eircom / dot/ net.

South Eastern Amateur Radio Group

The Annual General Meeting of South Eastern Amateur Radio Group will take place on Monday 28th February in the Roanmore Social and Sports Centre, Cleaboy Road, Waterford. All are welcome.

For up to date information about the club, visit www.searg.com

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DX News

Look for 3B8/SP2JMB and 3B8/SP2FUD from the Island of Mauritius from 4 -24 February. They will be operational using CW, SSB and RTTY. From 18 - 22 February they plan to do a side trip to Rodrigues Island (IOTA AF-017) where the prefix in their calls will change to 3B9.

To celebrate the 50th anniversary of independence, stations in Kuwait will be using the 9K50 prefix from now until the end of February.

During a holiday in the Dominican Republic Claudio HB9OAU plans to operate as HI7/ HB9OAU from 6 - 18 February. If he can manage one day trips to some of the off-shore islands he will put on HI2/HB9OAU from IOTA NA-122.

A group of three Spanish amateurs EA1PP, EB1HF and EC1DPM are spending some time in the Caribbean area next month. They will operate from two of the 'new' DXCC entities Bonaire PJ4 and Curacao PJ2. Modes in use will be SSB and RTTY.

For those of you who enjoy collecting new prefixes look for TC2011EWU from now until 6 February. This station is active during the World University Games in Erzurum in Turkey.

PHOENIX A.R.C. Annual Rally

Phoenix Amateur Radio Club annual rally will be held on Sunday 20th February 2011 in the usual venue, Coolmine Community School, Blanchardstown.

Doors open for Traders at 9.00 am Doors open to public 11.00am Admission 5 Euros. To book tables contact Tony at 0872439997 or Tom at 01-8211043.

Plenty of Parking, Refreshments and Bring and Buy Sale. All usual traders will attend.

This is the First Rally of 2011.

For further details on Rallies please see www.irts.ie/rallies

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Lagan Valley ARS Annual Rally

The Lagan Valley rally will be held on Saturday March 19th 2011. The venue is the village centre 7 Ballynahinch Road Hillsborough, Co. Down. Doors open at 11.30am.

For further information please contact Jim Henry, GI0DVU Telephone 048 9266 2270, you can also visit gi0dvu.co.uk/lisburnrally.aspx

A Bring and Buy, Car Parking and Refreshments will also be available.

Did you know?

In February 2004, a unique Morse code for '@' (at) symbol as used in an email, was introduced: --- (Dit-Dah-Dah-Dit-Dah-Dit).

Items for inclusion in next weeks Radio News should be forwarded to Aidan EI7JC, preferably via e-mail to "news / dot /ei7jc / at / gmail / dot / com". Or by phone to 085 7100511 News can also be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to

both the radio and printed news services.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor not later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

98. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #996

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-30 22:03:36 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <120809.20391.qm@smtp105.sbc.mail.ac4.yahoo.com>
Source record: 4938
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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DX Bulletin No. 996
BID: $OPDX.996
January 31, 2011
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, K1XN & GoList, NJ1Q, KH2AR/W4, K3BEQ, NG3K & ADXO, N4AA & QRZ DX, W4OTN, K5TR, KH6BZF, KL7JR, K8YSE, W8GEX (60m News), N0TG, AT International, CT1IUA, DK8JB, DK8ZZ, DL1SBF, DL7MAE & The DX News Letter, DxCoffee.com, DX-World.Net, F5NQL, F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX, I1JQJ/IK1ADH & 425 DX News, IK7JWX, OZ6OM & 50 MHz DX News, Pete's-DX-Newsdesk, RSGB IOTA Web Site, UR5EAW, VA3RJ & ICPO, VHF-DX-Portal (MMMonVHF), VK2CZ and YB2TJV for the following DX information.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 23rd-January, through Sunday, 30th-January there were 226 countries active. Countries available: 1A, 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5V, 5W, 5Z, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A2, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J5, J6, J7, JA, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T30, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP8/o, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, YV0, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD9, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS, ZS8

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

1A0, S.M.O.M. Another rare appearance/activity of 1A0KM from the Sovereign Military Order of Malta happened this past weekend, and operations were expected to end on January 30th. Operators mentioned were IK0FVC, G4IRN, I0JBL, I0ZY, I8NHJ, IK0DWN, IK0FTA, IK0PRG, IW0BYL, IZ0NRG and possibly

some guest operators. QSL via IK0FTA direct. All QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW.

4W, TIMOR-LESTE. David, VK2CZ, will be active as 4W3A from Dili during the CQ WPX SSB Contest (March 26-27th) as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. David informs OPDX that this is just a long weekend trip (fly in on the Friday and then out on Monday.... The airfares are dirt cheap right now). He doubts very much if he will be on the air outside the WPX SSB contest. QSL Manager is direct via M0OXO (see <http://www.m0oxo.com> for details).

5Z, KENYA (Update). Sig, NV7E/ZS6SIG, who has now relocated from Pretoria, South Africa, to Nairobi, Kenya, is now signing 5Z4EE for the next four years. Sig announced this past week that he will also be in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 26-27th) as well as the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 19-20th) and ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 5-6th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/ High-Power entry. Activity outside of the contests will be on all bands 160-10 meters. QSL via NV7E or at the address shown for 5Z4EE on QRZ.com.

6W, SENEGAL. Fernando, EA1BT, will be active as 6W/EA1BT between May 3-12th. More details are forthcoming.

8P, BARBADOS. Tom, W2SC, will be active as 8P5A during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 5-6th) as Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via LoTW or direct to NN1N.

9N, NEPAL. Operators Dov/4Z4DX/9N7DX and XYL Anat/9N7YL will be active between April 13-30th. Activity will be mainly 20/15/10/6 meters using mostly CW, RTTY and PSK31. Dov is going to organize the big DXpedition in November 2011, to celebrate his 60 years birthday and 45th anniversary of being on the air. QSL via 4Z4DX. For more details and updates, see:
http://www.mdxc.org/9n7dx/
http://www.qrz.co.il/home.php?page=7DX

BLACK SEA CUP INTERNATIONAL 2011. The Black Sea Contest Club (BSCC) will sponsor the "Black Sea Cup International Contest 2011" which will be held between 1200z, February 5th and 1159z, February 6th. For more information on the contest, please visit the BSCC Web page at: http://bscc.in

C6, BAHAMAS. Operators Bill/NE1B (C6AWB) and Tom/N1GN will once again be active as C6ANM from Nassau (NA-001, FL15) during the CQ 160-Meter SSB Contest (February 25-27th) and ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 5-6th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via LoTW.

CE, CHILE (LH Op). Hector, CE3FZL, and possibly others will be active as CE2C from the Faro, Cofradia Nautica del Pacifico (ARLHS CHI-079, WW Loc. FF46DP), Algarrobo, during the South American Lighthouse Weekend (SALW 2011), February 25-27th. Activity will be on 40/20/15/10 meters using 100 watts and a Mosley TA33M directional beam antenna. QSL direct (QRZ.com address) with 2 IRCs, or by the Bureau. No eQSL!

CE, CHILE (LH Op). Members of the Team DX Scorpions will be active as CE1Z from Punta Tetas Lighthouse (ARLHS CHI-075) during the South American Lighthouse Weekend (SALW 2011), February 25-27th. Activity will be on

160/80/40/20/15/10 meters using 7 stations, 9 operators and 3 guests. Operators mentioned are Claudio/CA1KHF, Jose/CE1UOR, Melo/CE1TUW, Patricio/ CE1WNR, Antonio/CE1RSQ, Victor/CE1TKL, Ricardo/CE1GBE and Pedro/CE1WML. QSL via CE1WNR. For more details, see: http://www.qrz.com/db/ce1z http://ce1z.blogspot.com

CY0, SABLE ISLAND (Update). Randy, N0TG, reports, "Although the two previous attempts to access the island were unsuccessful, the team is eagerly looking forward to March anticipating improved weather, propagation and a successful landing. We are pleased to note that routine supply flights to Sable for the small staff on the island have been successful and on schedule during January. Hopefully, this will be a continuing trend of improved flight conditions as we count down to an early March operation. Most of the Dxpedition equipment and supplies are stored in the aircraft hanger in Halifax, Canada---ready to be loaded onto the aircraft." The CY0 Web site will be updated as new information develops at: http://www.CY0dxpedition.com

D2, ANGOLA. QSL Manager Mike, CT1IUA, informs OPDX that Paulo, D2CQ (aka CT1ITZ), will be back on the air very soon from Porto Amboim. He was off the air for almost 1 year after some equipment was stolen from his QTH (power supply, coax, PL's, windom...). Paulo will be on the air with a G3TXQ Hexbeam and for now he will only be active on 20-6 meters SSB. He plans to put a dipole up for 40m and 80m soon. Mike mentions that sometimes the electricity goes down for 2 or 3 hours, so it is normal that Paulo suddenly disappears once in a while!

D4, CAPE VERDE. A group of operators (not named) will once again be active as D4C from Sao Vicente Island (AF-086) for the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 19-20th) as a Multi-2 entry. Before and after contest, operators will be active as D44AC. QSL D4C via LoTW or CT1ESV by the Bureau or IZ4DPV for direct. QSL D44AC direct to Carlos Pulu, P.O. Box 398, Mindelo, Cape Verde For the latest information, check the D4C Web page at: http://www.d4c.cc

FH, MAYOTTE (Update to OPDX.995). Bruno, DH1BL, who is currently active as FH/DH1BL from Mayotte (AF-027) for the next 3 years, has now received a "FH" callsign - FH4VOS. He was heard this past week on 20 meters SSB. QSL via his QSL Manager DL7BC, by the Bureau or direct.

HH, HAITI. Operators Jan/K4QD and Don/AF4Z will once again be active as HH4/K4QD and HH4/AF4Z between February 18th and March 5th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters CW, SSB, RTTY and possibly PSK, as time permits. As in the past, Jan and Don will be working at the NW Haiti Christian Mission <http://www.nwhcm.org> in Saint-Louis-Du-Nord for two weeks. Jan prefers QSLs for K4QD are direct or LoTW, but the Bureau is OK. QSLs for AF4Z are direct.

HI, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC (Update). Operators Yukon John/KL7JR and XYL Claire/WL7MY will be active as HI3/KL7JR and HI3/WL7MY from Hispaniola Island (NA-096) between March 1st and June. Activity will be on 80-10 meters SSB using several different wire antennas from their beach location.

Main antenna will be a 40-10m vertical loop. QSL via KL7JR (QRZ.com, CBA).
E-mail for skeds at: kl7jr@yahoo.com
Antenna farm links: http://www.hamuniverse.com/kl7jrhorizminibeams.html
http://www.hamuniverse.com/kl7jrslopingdelta806.html

IOTA NEWS.....
AF-018. Operator Raffaele, IH9YMC, will be active from Pantelleria Island (IIA TP-001, MIA MI-124, WW Loc. JM56XT), African Italy, in the CQ 160-Meter SSB Contest (February 25-27th) as a Single-Op/low-Power entry. QSL via eQSL.

AF-068. (Op Postponed!). Italian operators Leopoldo/I8LWL (5C2L), Alfredo/IK7JWX (5C2J), Ruggero/IK2PZC (5C2P), Simon/IZ7ATN (5C2SG) and Mounaim/CN8QY have postponed their operation to Herne Island, located in the large bay of Dakhla, until September. Orginally it was scheduled for between February 1-5th. Alfredo, IK7JWX, informs that the 5C2 was traveling in Morocco to reach Dakhla and Herne Island, when on the way a wheel broke on of their jeep, and it turned upside down. The impact only hurt Leo/I8LWL (5C2L), but the rest of the team is in good shape. Leo suffered a fractured shoulder and a slight head injury and is now recovering in a Marrakech hospital. For updates, please visit the following Web page at: http://www.i8lwl.it

EU-054. Operators Raffaello/IT9ATF, Renato/IT9NPR, Pippo/IT9PPG, and Pino/IT9WDC will be active as IF9A from Favignana Island (IIA TP-011, MIA MI-025, WLOTA LH-1545) for the CQWW WPX SSB Contest as (March 26-27th) as a Multi-Single entry. Activity will be on all bands and modes outside of the contest. QSL via IT9ATF, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-146. Gerard/PD2GCM and guest operator Bertus/PD2GJS will activate the special callsign PD04ISLE starting May 1st, to commemorate the 4th anniversary of the Isle of Tiengemeten, a nature island. It is the last surviving island in the southwest part of the Netherlands as a unique nature reserve. The activation will be continued throughout 2011 until December 31st. For more details, see: http://pd04isle.webklik.nl
http://www.qrz.com/db/PD04ISLE

NA-067. (Update/Correction) Operators Eric/W4OTN, Amanda/KI4IWS and Bill/KG4CXY will be active as W4OTN from Core Banks Barrier Island (USI NC033S, WLOTA 0596, Carteret County, North Carolina) between July 29th and August 1st. Activity will include an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st). Outside of the contest they will be active on 80-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL W4OTN, by the Bureau or direct (QRZ.com

J8, ST. VINCENT. Dave, G3TBK, will once again be active as J88DR between February 16th and March 14th. Activity will include the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 19-20th) and the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 5-6th) as a Single-

Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. He will also be in the RSGB's 74rd Commonwealth Contest (March 12-13th). Activity outside of the contest will be on all HF bands, especially 30/17/12 meters, using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via G3TBK, direct or by the RSGB Bureau.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (For January 31st-February 6th)....
Jan 31 HN-AN SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS
Feb 1 AN --------------------
Feb 2 AN BN - Below Normal
Feb 3 AN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Feb 4 AN LN - Low Normal
Feb 5 AN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Feb 6 AN DIS - Disturbed
VDIS - Very Disturbed

GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

NP4, PUERTO RICO (NA-099). Alfredo, WP3C, will be active as NP4DX in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st) as a Single-Op/Mixed-Mode/24-Hrs entry. His activity will also count for the WLOTA as LH-2802. QSL via W3HNK, direct preferred, but Bureau is OK. Visit his web page at: http://www.wp3c.qth.com/np4dx.htm

OA, PERU. Fred, DL1NL, will be active as OA4/DL1NL sporadically from the Radio Club Peruano (OA4O) in Lima until February 20th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters CW only. QSL via his home callsign.

P4, ARUBA. Tim, WD9DZV, will be active as P40A from Aruba between March 8-13th. Activity will be holiday style on most bands and modes. QSL via WD9DZV.

PJ2, CURACAO. Members of the Caribbean Contesting Consortium (CCC) will once again activate Signal Point Station on Curacao (SA-099, WLOTA LH-0942) during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 19-20th) as a Multi-Multi entry. Operators mentioned are: Geoff/W0CG (PJ2DX), Bill/W9VA, Mal/NP2L, Wayne/K8LEE, Jim/W0NB, Kelly/N0VD, Dan/N1ZZ, Charles/WA9S and John/N4QQ. Outside the contest operators will use PJ2/homecall or their personal PJ2 callsigns. QSL via their home callsigns. QSL PJ2T via N9AG or LoTW.

PJ6, SABA ISLAND (Update to OPDX.985). The six meter expedition to Saba Island (NA-145) by team Dick/K5AND, Pat/W5OZI and George/K5TR now has a Web page available at: http://dkhanson.com/pj6
In the coming months, watch for updates and news during their operation. Callsigns are still not known.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated January 30th)

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8P9UR via W3UR EK6TA via DJ0MCZ (direct only) ON65SUSKEENWISKE via
ON3OMD
9K50RX via 9K2RX FM/F5LGE via F5LGE OZ2SPACE via OZ7AKT
9K50UU via 9K2UU GB0LB via G0BRC PR150PLM via PR7AYE
AX6HD via VK6HD IT9/IK8WEJ via IK8WEJ R20RCK/0 via RW0UM
AX6IR via VK6IR IX1/IZ1FUM via IZ1FUM RI1ANR via RK1PWA or
ZS1ANF
BG3EKH via BA3AO J46J via SV1BJW TA4/DL6RO via DL6RO
BV100ROC via BM2JCC KF6ZWD/HC2 via KF6ZWD UN8GV via RD3AY
CN8IG via EA7FTR KH0WW via JP1IOF VP8ORK via VE3XN
EA8/IK1PMR via IK1PMR KP4ED via EB7DX (direct only) WP4WW via EA7FTR
EA8/ON5JV via ON5JV LZ12EYAC via LZ1BJ YB2EUZ via RW6HS
(direct/Bureau)
EF5K via EA5KB OE/DJ1YFK via DJ1YFK ZV150LM via PT2AA

YE2H QSL STATUS. Dani, YB2TJV, QSL Manager of YE2H (Indonesian Light-
house Station) informs OPDX that the YE2H QSL cards are still in
printing, and will be ready at the end of January 2011. He states,
"Thanks for all stations who have made QSOs with us."

ZL8X QSL STATUS. Mario, DJ2MX, states that the ZL8X QSL cards will be
printed sometime in February. They hope that the distribution of QSL
cards will start at the end of February or beginning of March. In a
press release by Mario, some questions came up last weeks about their
LoTW policy. It is recommend to read the complete press release for
more details on how they will process the QSOs for LoTW at:
http://www.kermadec.de/news/news_archives/index.php?task&#65533;ownews&id&#65533;7

QSLS VIA LoTW: 9N38 (1982)

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 4L5O, 5R8IC, 7Z1CQ, 7Z1TT, 8R1AK/p, A45XR,
C56E, EK3SA, EM75LWY, FP/AC8W, HG0GU/1, IR0LI, J48CM, KC4USV, LU/JH4RHF,
MU/F4EGD, NP4A, OX/DL2SWW, PJ2/K2TQC, PJ2/W1NG, PJ2MI, PJ2T, PJ4W,
PJ6A, RK2FWA, S79LR, T6MB, VK0KEV, VK4LDX/p, VK9XO, VP2E/W1UE, ZD9AH,
ZF2AH, ZL7V and ZL7VR

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 6W/IZ2DPX, 9A3XV, 9A4A, 9A7B, 9H1RZ,
DM2DX, IQ6FU/P, IY4FGM, OH2HQ, OH8X, OL4A and US2IW

S2, BANGLADESH. Tom, KC0W (ex-ZD7X, XU7XXX, TO0O), is expected to be active
from Bangladesh for 9 months beginning in November 2011. Activity will have
a special emphasis placed on 80 and 160 meters. More details will be forth-
coming.

T30, WESTERN KIRIBATI. Udo, DL9HCU, is once again active as T30HC from
Tarawa Island (OC-017). Length of stay is not known. Activity this past
week was on 20 meters CW (14002 kHz around 0600z). QSL via his home
callsign.

TF, ICELAND. Siggi, TF3CW, has announced that he will be active in the
ARRL DX CW Contest (February 19-20th) as Single-Op/Single-Band (20m)
entry. QSL via LX1NO.

TI8, COSTA RICA. Operators Keith/W4KTR, Eddie/K4UN, Bob/W4BW, Lex/W4XO, Carlos/TI2KAC, Juan Carlos/TI2JCY and TI2ZM will be active as TI8M from Costa de Pajaros, during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 5-6th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via TI2KAC, direct preferred but bureau "OK". Look for activity before the contest on 160-10 meters.

TJ, CAMEROON (Update). An international team composed of members of the Provins ARC (F6KOP) will be active as TJ9PF (instead of TJ3C as first reported) from Kribi between February 10-20th (See OPDX.992). Also, Gerard, F2VX, unfortunately had to cancel his trip with the team, and a substitute was very quickly found. Norbert, DJ7JC, has joined the TJ9PF crew, and he is a specialist in the Digital and CW modes. For more details and updates, visit the TJ9PF Web page at: http://www.tj9pf.fr

V5, NAMIBIA. Seven members of the Lufthansa Amateur Radio Club (LARC) of Frankfurt will operate as V55DLH from Omaruru between February 5-12th. Operators mentioned are: Georg/DD8ZX, Bernd/DF1FF, Juergen/DH0RAK, Juergen/DH6ICE, Frank/DJ3FK, Rudi/DK7PE and Bernhard/DK7TF. Activity will be on all bands and modes, including PSK and SSTV. QSL via Zik, DK8ZZ.

VK9C, COCOS-KEELING ISLANDS. Tim, NL8F, will once again return to Cocos Keeling (OC-003) and be active as VK9CF between March 19-29th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters SSB and possibly 160m. Tim hopes that this year's conditions are better than last year's conditions in March for the lower bands. He is also expected to be in the CQ WPX SSB Contest (March 26-27th). QSL via K8NA.

VP8O, SOUTH ORKNEY ISLANDS. Members of the Microlight Penguins hit the airwaves as planned on January 27th, from Signy Island (AN-008) around 1730z on 20 meters SSB. Activity by VP8ORK should last until February 8th. They expect to be on the air with 7 stations on all HF bands 160-10 meters using SSB, CW and RTTY (Suggested frequencies were listed in OPDX.995). As this was being written, the VP8ORK log shows (at 1456z, Janaury 30th) that they have made 21198 QSOs with 7863 unique callsigns (13321/CW, 7364/SSB and 513/RTTY). The online log can now be found at:
http://www.clublog.org/charts/?c&#65533;8ork
If you want a QSL card there are three ways available to receive one: OQRS direct (on the VP8O Web page), OQRS Bureau (on the VP8O Web page) and direct by mail via VE3XN [w/SASE/Green Stamps/IRC(s)]. For more details and updates, visit the VP8O Web page at: http://www.vp8o.com
By the way, real-time news is now available at:
http://www.vp8o.com/realtimenews.htm

ZA, ALBANIA. Franck, F4DTO, will once again be active as ZA/homecall from Elbasan between April 2-16th. Activity will be on 40&#65533;10m, mainly SSB, using 100 watts and monobander antennas. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the French Bureau. For updates, watch QRZ.com (F4DTO) or Franck's Web page at: http://monsite.orange.fr/f4dto

ZF, CAYMAN ISLANDS (NA-016). John, K6AM, will be active as ZF2AM during the CQ 160 Meter SSB Contest (February 25-27th) as a Single-Op/High-Power entry. QSL via K6AM, direct or by the Bureau or LoTW.

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new
FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the
following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced
mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send
mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE
OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�lp>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�bscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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99. ZL Ham February Band Scope

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-31 22:48:09 UTC
From: Peter Bennett ZL1UPB <news-nospam@zlham.geek.nz>
Message-ID: <ii7e79$ro8$1@posting.glorb.com>
Source record: 4939

The February issue of ZL Ham Band Scope is out.

ZL Ham Band Scope is a round up of news, contests, views and items of
interest bought to you at the start of every month.

This month... ZL Ham Band Scope Has A Cover Page!

Band Scope Proving Popular
Special Event Call Signs
Freescale MC9S08 101
4CX250 Interest
The Mystery Inside The Box Revealed.

Members can go to the ZL Ham Download section or non members can use the
link below to download your copy of Band Scope.

February 2011 Band Scope

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ftp://zlham.geek.nz/Bandscope/bandscope-2011-2.pdf

Via HTTP
http://www.zlham.geek.nz/Bandscope/
bandscope-2011-2.pdf

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100. Re: get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-01-31 22:51:23 UTC
From: Peter Bennett ZL1UPB <news-nospam@zlham.geek.nz>
Message-ID: <ii7edb$ro8$2@posting.glorb.com>
Source record: 4940

kb9rqz wrote:
> On Jan 30, 1:40 am, SAMARA <jaidatta9...@gmail.com> wrote:
>> LATEST KATRINA HOT VIDEOShttp://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/katrinahot.html
>> DEEPIKA PADUKONE HOT VIDEOShttp://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/deepika-padukone.html
>> HOT ARCHANA STILLShttp://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/archana.html
>> DEEKSHA SETH HOT WALLPAPERShttp://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/deeksha-seth.html
>> KATRINA KAIF HOT VIDEOS&PHOTOShttp://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/katrina-kaif.html
>> SAMEERAREDDY HOT BOOBShttp://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/sameerareddy.html
>> HOT SEXY ACTRESS
>> http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/hot.html
>> latest hot sruthi hassan stills
>> http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/shurthihassan-new-stills.html
>> UNSEEN HOT SEXY PHOTOS
>> http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/never.html
>> SAMANTHA HOT SEXY PHOTOShttp://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/samantha.html
>> SEXY DIYA MIRZA
>> http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/diya-mirza.html
>> HOT AISHWARIYA RAIhttp://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/aish.html
>> priyamani hot&sexy photoshttp://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/priyamani.html
>> KATRINA SEXY PHOTOShttp://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/katrina.html
>> ANUSHKA HOT PHOTOShttp://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/anuska.html
>> BEAUTIFUL AISHWARIYA RAIhttp://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/aiesh.html
>
> can the spam

Stop adding to the noise. Spammers are deaf, fool.

101. Re: Like a roach infestation, Nimbusters expands to five boards + change

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-01 04:52:19 UTC
From: Susan Foreskineater <ballsack@example.com>
Message-ID: <ii83hqutp1@speranza.aioe.org>
Source record: 4941
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Impotent google-posting non-entity.

"UberJacker" <nohijack@houston-hunks.com> wrote in message
news:83a60c23-81cc-46ce-a806-aaac02c5cf52@a3g2000yqf.googlegroups.com...

102. Dirty up Nim Board

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-01 06:32:09 UTC
From: Lloyd <anon@anon>
Message-ID: <4e4uv8.ps6.17.1@news.alt.net>
Source record: 4942
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

"kb9rqz" <mark@kb9rqz.com> wrote in message
news:cc2b5038-5e47-4a18-afeb-b2f290a719a9@a28g2000vbo.googlegroups.com...
On Jan 29, 2:54 pm, UberJacker <nohij...@houston-hunks.com> wrote:
> After Sored Mamzer, the Sword Brethren of Eastern Ohio filed a
> fraudulent DMCA complaint against Nimbusters, he only caused it to
> multiply into many boards and become even more annoying. Right now, I
> count five separate boards, plus a place where you can look at a group
> photo. They are as follows:

> This is getting out of control and is downright scary. Please don't
> ToS Nimbusters again. It has already multiplied enough!
>
> (Obviously, Mark can never win.)
mark (me) has never ToSed nimbusters stan likely knows that

Didn't take you long to dirty up the Nim board with your garbage, did it?

103. Crossposting Permitted to rec.radio.amateur.moderated

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-01 07:00:02 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting-1-1296543600@panix.com>
Source record: 4943
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting
Revision: 1.1 2009/04/12 19:42:04
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rram/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

After a 30-day public discussion and feedback period to gauge reader
opinions in March of 2009:

http://groups.google.com/group/rec.radio.amateur.moderated/browse_thread/thread/d7d337db35
f23326

the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team has decided to consider
amending its charter, and permit limited simultaneous crossposting to
rec.radio.amateur.moderated and one other unmoderated
amateur-radio-related discussion newsgroup. We are currently trying
this on a temporary basis (90 days, through early July 2009), and adopt
it permanently if successful.

Approved rec.radio.amateur.* newsgroups are those that are currently
listed in the latest version of the "List of Big Eight Newsgroups" which
is crossposted monthly to news.announce.newgroups, news.groups, and
news.lists.misc.

Approved alt.radio.amateur.* and alt.ham-radio.* newsgroups are those
that have been created consistent with the suggestions in "So You Want
to Create an Alt Newsgroup" at:

http://www.faqs.org/faqs/alt-creation-guide/

Approved regional hierarchy newsgroups are those that contain either
"radio.amateur" or "ham-radio" in their names, including
uk.radio.amateur and aus.radio.amateur.misc.

We will make every reasonable effort to keep our list of approved
newsgroups up-to-date. In case we have overlooked any, and a submission
is rejected in error as a result, the rejected submitter can E-mail us
at our administrative contact address (in the signature at the bottom of
this article, and the default Reply-To for the rejection message)
requesting that it be added, and that the article be approved. We may
still choose to reject articles crossposted to any alt.* newsgroup with
an inappropriate name, including obscene language, embedded
name-calling, or encouragement of unlawful conduct.
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Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-amateur-moderated-request@panix.com.

104. BEST HOT MASALA VIDEOS SITES AND LIP KISS PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-01 11:08:41 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <ad5c260a-8bf8-4fd2-9ca3-355f9bf2225b@l22g2000pre.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4944

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http://alltoux.blogspot.com/2010/09/hot-lip-kiss-135.html

HOT VIDEOS

http://hotvideotoou.blogspot.com/2011/01/kiss-videos.html

hot lip kiss
http://hotvidos.blogspot.com/2010/07/hot-lip-kiss.html
hot kisses
http://hotvidos.blogspot.com/2010/07/hot-kisses.html
hollywood hot videos
http://hotvidos.blogspot.com/2010/07/hollywood-hot-videos.html
real hot videos
http://hotvidos.blogspot.com/2010/07/real-hot-videos.html
tamil hot videos
http://hotvidos.blogspot.com/2010/07/tamil-hot-videos.html

105. Re: get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-02 01:05:31 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <d6271a17-cc81-4171-ab5b-8ff7c10145c1@a5g2000vbs.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4945
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Jan 29, 4:25 pm, kb9rqz <m...@kb9rqz.com> wrote:
> On Jan 29, 2:54 pm, UberJacker <nohij...@houston-hunks.com> wrote:
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> > After Sored Mamzer, the Sword Brethren of Eastern Ohio filed a
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106. The ARRL Contest Update for February 2, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-02 04:44:30 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20110202041221.9410F209F3@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 4946
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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The ARRL Contest Update

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Editor: Ward Silver, N0AX <rate-sheet@arrl.org>

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NEW HF OPERATORS - THINGS TO DO

You may not realize that the Northern California Contest Club weekly NS
CW sprint <http://www.ncccsprint.com/rules.html> on Thursday evenings
is preceded by a slow-speed version called the SNS. This is a good way
to try the sprint format without the blazing speeds of the full-speed
version. February is the busiest contest month next to October - you'll
find plenty to do!

BULLETINS

There are no bulletins items for this issue.

BUSTED QSOS

Watson - a name! Peter N5UWY reports that the correct call sign for the
author of DXLab Suite is AA6YQ and Jim WI9WI observes that the great
Antarctic explorer was Shackleton, not Shackleford (whose name is
burned into my synapses as a junior-high Vice Principal).

==> CONTEST SUMMARY

Complete information for all contests follows the Conversation section

Feb 5-6
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- NS Weekly Sprint--CW (Feb 4)
- YLISSB QSO Party--CW
- Ten-Ten Winter Phone QSO Party
- Black Sea Cup International
- EPC WW PSK Contest
- Vermont QSO Party
- Minnesota QSO Party
- FYBO Winter QRP Field Day
- Straight Key Party
- British Columbia QSO Party
- Delaware QSO Party
- XE Int'l RTTY Contest
- North American Sprint--CW
- QRP Winter Fireside SSB Sprint
- ARS Spartan Sprint--CW (Feb 8)
- NAQCC Monthly QRP Sprint--CW (Feb 9)
- CWops Monthly Mini-CWT Test (Feb 9)

Feb 12-13

- School Club Roundup (Feb 14-18)
- PODXS Valentine Sprint--Digital (Feb 11)
- YL-OM Contest (Feb 11)
- CQ WW RTTY WPX
- Asia-Pacific Sprint--CW
- Dutch PACC Contest
- Louisiana QSO Party
- OMISS QSO Party--Phone
- New Hampshire QSO Party
- FISTS CW Winter Sprint
- RSGB - First 1.8 MHz Contest
- North American Sprint--Phone
- Classic Exchange--Phone
- Maine FM Simplex Challenge--Phone

==> NEWS, PRESS RELEASES, AND GENERAL INTEREST

ARRL Contest Branch Manager, Sean KX9X has just released some important information for this year's ARRL Field Day <http://www.arrl.org/field-day>. The "free" VHF station that was previously restricted to Class A participants with two or more transmitters is now available to all Class A operations! This should promote additional VHF+ weak-signal operation and know-how. In order to promote better VHF+ operating practices, Sean and Steve WB8IMY have collaborated on a VHF Operator FAQ document that presents information on how to operate on 6 and 2 meter SSB and CW, using FM phone, and working the satellites. Field Day offers VHF+ operating opportunities to hams that may not have tried it before - this document will help them get better results and follow regular operating practices. Now it's up to the VHF+ operators out there to help their teams get that VHF station on the air and making QSOs! Read more about this year's rules on the ARRL Field Day web site.

CQ WPX Contest Director, Randy K5ZD reports on the CQ WPX blog <http://www.cqwpx.com/blog/?p=77>, "Everyone who submitted a log for the 2010 CQ WPX SSB Contest should have received an email with a link to their log checking report. The log check report is a text file that contains all the information about how your log was scored and any errors that were found." Not only is the information you miscopied available, but the report also includes information about how your information was copied by other stations. This is solid gold information you can use to improve your operating! Randy is not entirely without sympathy for a first-time report reader, "It can be shocking to see a log check report for the first time. Everyone makes errors. The best ops have spent years improving their skills and learning a vocabulary of call signs. Study your errors and work to improve them in the next contest." Several log checking reports from winning stations (and Randy's as well) have been made public for comparison.

Array Solutions has announced a new wide-band vector impedance antenna analyzer, the AIM UHF <http://arraysolutions.com/Products/AIMUHF.htm>. Its operating range is 5 kHz to 1 GHz and it operates just like the popular AIM4170C. The companion PC software displays the data graphically and stores the digitized information in files, as well. Another instrument in the increasingly sophisticated tool set available to amateurs!

Ham radio has been in the news more and more recently. One could say things are looking up, especially when the subject is finding an errant satellite! NASA's NanoSail-D <http://www.nasa.gov/centers/marshall/news/news/releases/2011/11-009.html> got stuck in its canister and failed to deploy as expected. (I have whole weeks like that.) To the rescue came hams with UHF weak-signal capability! Asked by NASA to listen for the satellite, the beacon was almost immediately detected <http://tinyurl.com/4s7nj4r>. The satellite turns out to be in orbit and the experiment is running - way to go!

Now that NanoSail-D <http://www.nanosail.org/> is, in fact, sailing, Spaceweather.com <http://spaceweather.com/> and NASA have announced a contest to photograph the orbiting solar sail. It should be bright enough to see and web sites like Heavens-Above <http://heavens-above.com/> can help you locate it. The contest will end along with NanoSail-D when it re-enters the atmosphere in April or May of this year. (from AMSAT <http://www.amsat.org/> bulletin 030.05)

Rick NQ4I announces the second annual Contest Ham Radio cruise from September 16-19th on the Monarch of the Seas. The ship will sail from Port Canaveral, Florida with a destination of Coco Cay in the Bahamas. Contact Rick's spouse, Georganne N4ZUF <%20Georganne@nq4i.com> for information about the cruise.

The MARAC US Counties QSO Party <http://marac.org/cwrules.htm> has undergone a major overhaul of rules, dates, and scoring, moving to the last full weekend of July. Mobile contesting is a lot of fun and this is one of the bigger contests of its type. (Thanks, Scott KA3QLF)

If you've ever encountered gear you once owned and sold, you may agree that hamfests may have an analog in kula rings <http://www.umanitoba.ca/faculties/arts/anthropology/courses/122/module5/kula_ring.html> - a formal network of trinket exchange in the islands near Papua New Guinea. (Thanks, Mike AA1TJ)

Web Site of the Week - If you've ever Elmered a new ham, you know they ask a lot of questions, some of which aren't that easy to answer, like "Why do hams abbreviate everything?" Sometimes, even the old-timers can't answer! Luckily, there is a one-stop-shop resource on the AC6V "Jargon" web page <http://www.ac6v.com/73.htm>. I was surprised to learn the origin of the Philco company name!

WORD TO THE WISE

Mega-irks - From "The First 50 Years of University of Wisconsin Broadcasting", a listener wrote in 1969 inquiring, "...(the announcer) tells us that WHKW operates on a frequency of 89.3 mega-irks. What, if you please, is a mega-irk?" Obviously, a mega-irk is what happens when someone tries to steal your frequency above 1 MHz.

==> SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

A few days ago, a spectacular double eruption on the Sun resulted in an M1-class flare, the strongest of the year so far. Luckily for HF'ers the flare's ejected material missed Earth, so no geomagnetic storms resulted. (VHF+ ops could use the aurora!) You can watch the explosions on the Spaceweather.com <http://spaceweather.com/> highlight movie captured by SOHO and the Solar Dynamics Observatory.

Quite a jump from the A-frame lumber masts in the old Antenna Books, the tallest wooden tower <http://www.modestoradiomuseum.org/wooden%20tower.html> in the world is nearly 400 feet high! The story and a whole lot more Is available at the online site for the Modesto Radio Museum <http://www.modestoradiomuseum.org/>. (Thanks, Tim K3LR)

IBM equipment (and employment) has been a part of many hams' lives. Mike K7NT found this enjoyable video about the last 100 years at IBM <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=39jtNUGgmd4&feature=youtu.be>, one of the world's oldest technology companies still doing business.

Lots of old-radio pictures are available around the web - take a look at the Shorpy <http://www.shorpy.com/> site and search for "wireless" or "radio". (Thanks, Brad AA1IP)

==> RESULTS AND RECORDS

Two sets of ARRL contest results <http://www.arrl.org/contest-results-articles> hit the web this week; the excellent 2010 September VHF QSO Party writeup by Jeff K1TEO and the preliminary version of the 2010 CW Sweepstakes results. (The full package, including the writeup by VE4XT will be out later around late April.) There is something very rare in the CW SS results - a TIE

between the top two Single-Op, High Power stations, N9RV and N0NI (operated by AG9A)! It looks like the coasts were not the places to win this year. The SSB SS preliminary results should be out in a couple of weeks. (Thanks, ARRL Contest Branch Manager, Sean KX9X)

Don't forget to add your photos and stories about the Jan VHF Sweepstakes to the ARRL Soapbox page at http://www.arrl.org/contests/soapbox - some good ones are up there already! Dink N7WA also maintains a comprehensive text Soapbox page <http://www.eskimo.com/%7Emwdink/3830/> for major and minor contests, too.

The results of the 2010 CQ WPX SSB Contest <http://www.cqwpx.com/results.htm> are now available on the CQ WPX Web site. Visitors can read the results article from CQ Magazine, search through the online score database <http://www.cqwpx.com/score_db.htm> and review the public logs <http://www.cqwpx.com/publiclogs/2010ph/>. The score records have also been updated. It was another record year for WPX SSB <http://www.cqwpx.com/stats.htm> with almost 700 more logs than 2009. (Thanks, CQ WPX Director, Randy K5ZD)

With the CW weekend in the history books, the CQ WW 160 Contest <http://cq160.com/> is looking forward to the SSB weekend at the end of February. Contest Director, Andy N2NT reports that there are four new trophies this year:

SSB/CW Combined - Multioperator - World
CW Single Operator -- Russia
SSB Single Operator -- Russia
Single-Op, Assisted -- Zone 3 USA (CW)

OPERATING TIP

Good troubleshooting tips sound like good operating training tips, too!
1. Always check the simple, fragile stuff first
2. Use solid and consistent trouble-shooting techniques
3. Use the experience and knowledge of others
4. Never give up
(Thanks, Mark WD4ELG)

==> TECHNICAL TOPICS AND INFORMATION

NW7US has published a web page on "De-mystifying HF Radio Propagation and Modeling <http://hfradio.org/ace-hf/ace-hf-demystified.html>". It includes some coverage maps which may be generated using VOACAP <http://www.voacap.com/coverage.html> as explained in ARRL Propagation Forecast Bulletin ARLP003 <http://www.arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation>.

Clamp-style connectors in the N and BNC families have been popular for years. Now a clamp-style UHF connector is available from RF Industries <http://tinyurl.com/4zn9ayf>. An advantage of clamp-style connectors is the ability to inspect the work before and after the

cable is fitted into the body until the center pin is crimped. Full assembly instructions <http://tinyurl.com/45gryqy> are also on-line. While more expensive than the solder-style connector, the extra waterproofing of the jacket and inspection feature might be worth it for specific projects. (Thanks, Paul W9AC)

Pete N4ZR reports finding a useful coax stripping tool for many different types of cable. "I discovered the DataShark 70029 cutter and stripper - for $9.95 it strips phone cable, Cat5-5e-6, RG6Quad, RG6, RG59, RG7 and RG11 (if the latter, then I suspect RG-213 as well). It is the perfect complement to [type-F] compression connectors because it automatically and precisely trims RG-6 family cables to fit perfectly."

Why use a butterfly variable capacitor? Originally created for push-pull amplifiers with the rotor grounded, they can be useful as a "regular" variable capacitor, too. If you do not ground the rotor and use the two stators as the two ends of the cap, the result is half the minimum capacitance (important at VHF), twice the breakdown voltage, and no poor rotor contact issues. The trade-off is that the frame can't be grounded and an insulated shaft coupling is required. (Thanks, Mike WV2ZOW)

Magnetic declination - the difference between True and Magnetic North - varies quite a bit across the US and especially Canada. This NOAA web page <http://www.ngdc.noaa.gov/geomagmodels/Declination.jsp> will figure your magnetic declination based on ZIP code or lat/long, plus the date. (Thanks, Kevin AC0H)

"Practical Sailor" is a product evaulation magazine for sailors. In 2007 they tested a comprehensive list of corrosion inhibitors and the results <http://www.tc-11.com/Marine%20Electronics%20Test.pdf> may be of interest to maritime and land-based hams. (Thanks, Jim KS4O)

Roger K8RI describes a simple way to make a template for rotator mounting bolts without using a measuring instrument. "Using thin cardboard (such as from a pad of paper) or even a plastic sheet protector, turn the rotator upside down and lay the plastic or cardboard over the base. With a ball-peen hammer, using the ball end lightly tap on the sheet over the areas where the bolt holes are located. Make sure all holes remain aligned with the sheet. Done properly this can actually develop cutouts for each bolt hole. Place the template on the work-piece, mark the bolt holes and drill. This procedure also works well for making gaskets using gasket material of the proper thickness."

Technical Web Site of the Week - Reuse is a favorite past-time (if not a full-time) activity of hams and no re-use is more fun than that staple of the workbench - a candy tin. The web site "Art of Manliness <http://artofmanliness.com/2011/01/30/22-manly-ways-to-reuse-an-altoids-tin/>" shows 22 ways to reuse the popular Altoids tin. I'm sure there must be an equivalent "Art of Womanliness" site, but maybe the female re-users just don't feel the need to show off as much! (Thanks, John AE5X)

==> CONVERSATION

When All Else Is Made to Fail

Ham radio has been making surprise media appearances here and there over the past couple of years and not just as a novelty story, either. In just the past couple of weeks, NASA asked hams to listen for the NanoSail-D solar sail (see the News section for more) and a variety of "media hits" find hams providing emergency communications and other useful services. Now there are rumors coming out of the Egyptian turmoil about using ham radio to communicate when a government decides to close off the usual information channels. (Information about use of ham radio in Egypt is unsubstantiated <http://www.pcworld.com/businesscenter/article/218338/ham_radio_not_a_viable_option_for_egypt.html>.)

I have often characterized ham radio as "the world's most powerful form of communications available to the private citizen" when asked why it is still relevant. It may not be the fastest or the most ubiquitous or have the ultimate convenience, but that is the source of its power - it must meet none of those requirements in order to survive. Let's face it - ham radio does not compete with broadband data links carrying commerce and entertainment traffic! If that was its mission, we would long ago been off the air.

We've all heard the slogan "When All Else Fails" and it has a certain truth but consider what happens when the communications outages to which we respond are intentional - when all else is made to fail. Back in the Soviet Union's fading days of glasnost, a coup attempted to restore the old government structure. While not well-known, some Russian hams passed information around the country, playing a game of electromagnetic cat-and-mouse with the would-be authorities trying to follow and jam them across the bands and modes. Months later, when the Lithuanian parliament in Vilnius was surrounded by Russian military forces, authority of the government was transferred to a minister outside the country via the ham radio club station inside the parliament building. Finally, there was the tale of the "Last Voice from Kuwait <http://9k2ra.net/?page_id=130>" as one ham kept transmitting even under occupation.

Regardless of how Amateur Radio is used in response to extraordinary circumstances, the keys to the utility of Amateur Radio are two-fold; our flexibility and our independence. Amateur Radio is the only licensed service that assigns no channels and encourages operators to use any frequency available to them. Amateur Radio also offers the ability to communicate completely independently of any other communications service or infrastructure. Amateurs may choose to channelize operations and combine their operation with other communications services if that is what most suits the need or preference, but it is critically important that we maintain our flexibility and independence for when direct point-to-point communication is the only answer.

Amateur radio is a broad hobby or service - and getting broader all the time. Yet along with all the many novel constructs that make up ham radio today, that we can make contacts unassisted and independently remains a core element of who we are and what we do. Contesting and radiosport exercise the skills that support those abilities. In our zeal to explore the game we should always remember and make room for the elemental aspects of Amateur Radio "know-how" unique to our service, fulfilling our Basis and Purpose in the most fundamental, necessary, and yes, enjoyable ways. Let us not ever take the essential "amateur" out of Amateur Radio.

73, Ward N0AX

==> CONTESTS

2 February through 15 February

An expanded, downloadable version of QST's Contest Corral in PDF format <http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar> is available. Check the sponsor's Web site for information on operating time restrictions and other instructions.

HF CONTESTS

North American Sprint--CW, from Feb 6, 0000Z to Feb 6, 0400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Exchange: Both call signs, serial, name, and S/P/C. Logs due: 7 days. Rules <http://www.ncjweb.com/>

North American Sprint--Phone, from Feb 13, 0000Z to Feb 13, 0400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Exchange: Both call signs, serial, name, and S/P/C. Logs due: 7 days. Rules <http://www.ncjweb.com/>

School Club Roundup--Phone,CW,Digital, from Feb 14, 1300Z to Feb 18, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50+. Exchange: RS(T), Class, S/P/C. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.arrl.org/school-club-roundup>

NS Weekly Sprint--CW, from Feb 4, 0230Z to Feb 4, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-14. Frequencies: Weekly on Thursday evenings local time. Exchange: Serial, name, and S/P/C. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.ncccsprint.com/rules.html>

YLISSB QSO Party--CW, from Feb 5, 0000Z to Feb 6, 0000Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: Call sign, RS(T), ISSB number. Logs due: Mar 19. Rules <http://www.ylsystem.org/>

Ten-Ten Winter Phone QSO Party--Phone, from Feb 5, 0001Z to Feb 6, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 28. Exchange: Call sign, name, QTH, 10-10 number. Logs due: Feb 21. Rules <http://www.ten-ten.org/>

Black Sea Cup International--Phone,CW, from Feb 5, 1200Z to Feb 6, 1200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RS(T) and org'n ID, member nr or ITU zone. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.bscc.ucoz.ru/>

EPC WW PSK Contest--Digital, from Feb 5, 1200Z to Feb 6, 1200Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST and serial. Logs due: 30 days. Rules

<http://www.epcwwdx.srars.org/index.php/contest-rules.html>

Vermont QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Feb 5, 1300Z to Feb 6, 0300Z and Feb 6, 1300Z to Feb 7, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Frequencies: Multiple operating periods; CW band edge + 60 kHz; SSB 1.89, 3.89, 7.29, 14.29, 21.39, 28.39. Exchange: RS(T) and VT county or S/P/C. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://vtqsoparty.westriverradio.org/>

Minnesota QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Feb 5, 1400Z to Feb 5, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50+, Frequencies: CW 1.850,3.550,7.050,14.050,21.050,28.050; SSB 1.870,3.850,7.250,14.270,21.350,28.450. Exchange: Name and MN county or S/P/C. Logs due: Mar 15. Rules <http://www.w0aa.org/>

FYBO Winter QRP Field Day--Phone,CW, from Feb 5, 1400Z to Feb 5, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RS(T), S/P/C, name, power, temp in deg F. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.azscqrpions.com/>

Straight Key Party--CW, from Feb 5, 1600Z to Feb 5, 1900Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5. Exchange: RST, serial, category, name, age. Logs due: Feb 28. Rules <http://www.agcw.org/en/?Contests:Happy_New_Year_Contest>

British Columbia QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Feb 5, 1600Z to Feb 6, 0800Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Frequencies: CW 1.815,3.535,7.035,14.035,21.035,28.305; SSB 1.845,3.85,7.23,14.25,21.3,28.4; Dig per band plan. Exchange: RST and BC district or S/P/Territory or DX. Logs due: Mar 31. Rules <http://www.deltaamateurradio.com/>

Delaware QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Feb 5, 1700Z to Feb 6, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50+, Frequencies: CW 1.825,3.55,7.05,14.05,21.05,28.05,50.95; SSB 1.86,3.96,7.26,14.26,21.36,28.36,50.135; Digital per band plan. Exchange: RS(T) and DE county or S/P/C. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.fsarc.org/>

XE Int'l RTTY Contest--Digital, from Feb 5, 1800Z to Feb 6, 1759Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST and XE state/district or serial. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.fmre.org.mx/>

QRP Winter Fireside SSB Sprint--Phone, from Feb 6, 2000Z to Feb 6, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Frequencies: 3.865, 7.285, 14.285, 21.385, 28.385. Exchange: RS, S/P/C, QRP ARCI number or power. Logs due: Mar 7. Rules <http://www.qrparci.org/content/view/8344/118/>

ARS Spartan Sprint--CW, from Feb 8, 0200Z to Feb 8, 0400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Frequencies: Monthly on the first Monday evening. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, and power. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.arsqrp.blogspot.com/>

NAQCC Monthly QRP Sprint--CW, from Feb 9, 0130Z to Feb 9, 0330Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Frequencies: Monthly on 2nd Tuesday or 3rd Wednesday (alternating). Exchange: RST, S/P/C, and NAQCC mbr nr or power. Logs

due: 4 days. Rules <http://naqcc.info/>

CWops Monthly Mini-CWT Test--CW, from Feb 9, 1100Z to Feb 10, 0400Z and See Web site. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Frequencies: Multiple operating periods, monthly on the second Wednesday, 18 to 28 kHz above band edge. Exchange: Name and member number or S/P/C. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.cwops.org/onair.html>

PODXS Valentine Sprint--Digital, from Feb 11, 8 PM to Feb 12, 2 AM. Bands (MHz): 1.8-7. Frequencies: 1.807,3.580,7.070/7.035 EU/7.028 JA. Exchange: Name, OM or YL, S/P/C. Logs due: Mar 4. Rules <http://www.podxs070.com/pskfest>

YL-OM Contest--Phone,CW,Digital, from Feb 11, 1400Z to Feb 13, 0200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: Call sign, RST, serial and S/P/C. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.ylrl.org/>

CQ WW RTTY WPX--Digital, from Feb 12, 0000Z to Feb 13, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST and serial. Logs due: Mar 1. Rules <http://www.cqwpxrtty.com/>

Asia-Pacific Sprint--CW, from Feb 12, 1100Z to Feb 12, 1300Z. Bands (MHz): 7,14. Exchange: RST, serial. Logs due: 7 days. Rules <http://jsfc.org/apsprint/aprule.txt>

Dutch PACC Contest--Phone,CW, from Feb 12, 1200Z to Feb 13, 1200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RS(T) and Dutch province or serial. Logs due: Mar 14. Rules <http://www.dutchpacc.com/>

Louisiana QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Feb 12, 1500Z to Feb 13, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Frequencies: CW 1.84,3.54,7.04,14.04,21.04,28.04; Phone 1.865,3.865,7.255,14.255,21.365,28.465; VHF 50.095,50.135,144.05,144.21. Exchange: Call sign, RS(T), LA parish or S/P/C. Logs due: Mar 15. Rules <http://laqso.w5yl.org/>

OMISS QSO Party--Phone, from Feb 12, 1500Z to Feb 13, 1500Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RS, S/P/C and OMISS nr or "DX". Logs due: Mar 30. Rules <http://www.omiss.info/>

New Hampshire QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Feb 12, 1600Z to Feb 13, 0400Z and See Web site, See Web site to See Web site, See Web site. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Frequencies: CW - 1.815 and band edge + 45kHz; Phone - 1.875, 3.935, 3.950, 7.235, 14.280, 21.380, 28.390. Exchange: RS(T) and NH county or S/P or "DX". Logs due: Mar 31. Rules <http://www.w1wqm.org/>

FISTS CW Winter Sprint--CW, from Feb 12, 1700Z to Feb 12, 2100Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, first name, FISTS nr or power. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.fists.org/>

RSGB - First 1.8 MHz Contest--Phone,CW, from Feb 12, 2100Z to Feb 13, 0100Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8. Exchange: RST, serial, UK district. Logs due: Feb 28. Rules <http://www.rsgbcc.org/>

Classic Exchange--Phone, from Feb 13, 1400Z to Feb 14, 0800Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50,144, Frequencies: AM--1.890,3.880,7.160,7.290,14.286,21.420,29.000,50.400,144.300; SSB--1.885,3.870,7.280,14.270,21.370,28.390,50.125,144.200. Exchange: RST, QTH, model of rcvr and xmtr. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.classicexchange.org/>

VHF+ CONTESTS

School Club Roundup--Phone,CW,Digital, from Feb 14, 1300Z to Feb 18, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50+. Exchange: RS(T), Class, S/P/C. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.arrl.org/school-club-roundup>

Minnesota QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Feb 5, 1400Z to Feb 5, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50+, Frequencies: CW 1.850,3.550,7.050,14.050,21.050,28.050; SSB 1.870,3.850,7.250,14.270,21.350,28.450. Exchange: Name and MN county or S/P/C. Logs due: Mar 15. Rules <http://www.w0aa.org/>

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Maine FM Simplex Challenge--Phone, from Feb 13, 1900Z to Feb 13, 2300Z. Bands (MHz): 144, Frequencies: FM simplex frequencies only. Exchange: Call sign, QTH, power. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.qsl.net/ws1sm/contest.html>

==> LOG DUE DATES

2 February through 15 February

February 8 - MI QRP January CW Contest <http://www.qsl.net/miqrpclub/contest.html>

February 8 - EUCW 160m Contest <http://www.agcw.de/eucw/eu160.html>

February 8 - WW PMC Contest <http://www.s59dcd.si/english/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=72&Itemid=114>

February 8 - PODXS 070 Club PSKFest <http://www.podxs070.com/pskfest>

February 8 - ARRL RTTY Roundup <http://www.arrl.org/rtty-roundup>

February 13 - UBA DX Contest, SSB <http://www.uba.be/sites/default/files/uploads/hf_contests/ubatest_dx.pdf>

February 14 - ARCI Fireside SSB Sprint
<http://www.qrparci.org/content/view/8344/118/>

February 15 - Midwinter Contest
<http://trafficbureau.veron.nl/contest/contest_mw_eng.htm>

February 15 - Hungarian DX Contest
<http://www.ha-dx.com/HADX/html/rules_en.html>

February 15 - UK DX Contest, RTTY <http://www.ukdx.srars.org/ukdxc.pdf>

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107. Tawdry history

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-02 05:53:34 UTC
From: Lloyd <anon@anon>
Message-ID: <4e7h2s.vst.17.1@news.alt.net>
Source record: 4947
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

"kb9rqz" <mark@kb9rqz.com> wrote in message
news:d6271a17-cc81-4171-ab5b-8ff7c10145c1@a5g2000vbs.googlegroups.com...
On Jan 29, 4:25 pm, kb9rqz <m...@kb9rqz.com> wrote:
> On Jan 29, 2:54 pm, UberJacker <nohij...@houston-hunks.com> wrote:
>
> > After Sored Mamzer, the Sword Brethren of Eastern Ohio filed a
> > fraudulent DMCA complaint against Nimbusters, he only caused it to
> > multiply into many boards and become even more annoying. Right now, I
> > count five separate boards, plus a place where you can look at a group
> > photo. They are as follows:
> > This is getting out of control and is downright scary. Please don't
> > ToS Nimbusters again. It has already multiplied enough!
>
> > (Obviously, Mark can never win.)
>
> mark (me) has never ToSed nimbusters stan likely knows that

You seem to be able to muck up just about everything you put your feces
stained hands on....

108. [DXNL] DXNL 1713 (Feb 2, 2011)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-02 14:06:28 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <93111540890.20110202064650@gmx.de>
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A3 - TONGA, OC-049
Akira,JA1NLX, will be active as A35AY from Fafa Island (OC-049) working
in CW and RTTY on 80m-10m (incl. WARC bands) from Feb 4-9. His QRGs are
CW: 3505, 7015, 10115, 14035, 18075, 21035, 24895, 28035 kHz
RTTY: 10140, 14085, 18110, 21085, 24920, 28085 kHz.
His equipment includes a FT-857 with 100 watts and a vertical.
QSL via JA1NLX, direct, via bureau or LoTW. For more information click:
http://www.ne.jp/asahi/ja1nlx/ham/A35_2011.html

C6 - BAHAMAS, NA-001
Randy,W6SJ, is going to hit the airwaves in "holiday style" signing
C6AWS from Grand Bahama Island (NA-001) from Feb 3-9. Randy prefers to
work in CW on the WARC bands. QSLs via bureau, direct or LoTW via W6SJ.

Drew,N2RFA, wants to show up as C6ABB from Nassau (NA-001) from
Feb 7-17. He works in the digital modes PSK31, RTTY and maybe SSTV
on 80m/40m/20m/17m. QSLs via his homecall.

D4 - CAPE VERDE, AF-086
John,IK5CRH, John,IK5BCM, Beppe,IK5CBE, and YL Andrea will be QRV as
D44TBE from Sal Island (AF-086) from Feb 2-9. They will work in CW, SSB
and digital modes on 80m-10m and if there is enough space also on 160m.
QSL direct or via bureau to IK5CRH.

FK - FRENCH NEW CALEDONIA, OC-032
After returning from Vanuatu Hermann,DL2NUD, and Stefan,DL9GRE, will
activate New Caledonia Island (OC-032) as FK/DL2NUD (2m/70cm/23cm EME)
and FK/DL9GRE (HF) from Feb 3-15. QSLs via homecalls, bureau ok.

HI - DOMINICAN REPUBLIC
Claudio,HI7/HB9OAU, will stay on Bayahibe (NA-096) from Feb 6-18.
He hopes to make a side trip also to the Catalina Islands (NA-122) and/
or to Saona. His call would be HI2/HB9OAU there. Claudio works in SSB

on 10m/15m/17m/20m/40m/80m. QSLs via bureau or direct to his homecall.

J6 - ST LUCIA, NA-108
J6/DF2SS and J6/DL1VKE will be active with two stations in CW, SSB and RTTY on 160m-10m from Feb 5-17. Their planned QTH is on a hill in the north of the island with a free skip to Europe and North America.

JW - SVALBARD, EU-026
Jon,LA8HGA, and Andreas,LA8AJA, will be QRV mostly in CW but also in RTTY and some SSB on 160m-10m signing JW8HGA (QSL via LA8HGA) and JW8AJA (QSL via LA9VDA) from the club JW5E in Longyearbyen (EU-026) from Feb 4-18. A logsearch and more information can be found at: http://la8aja.com/expeditions/jw2011

OA - PERU
Fred,OA4/DL1NL, is staying in Peru until Feb 20 and works from the clubstation OA4O in Lima sporadically. He works only in CW on 10m-160m. QSL cards should be sent via bureau to his homecall.

P29 - PAPUA NEW GUINEA, OC-034
Allan,VK2GR, and Josette,VK2FXGR, are working for the organization "Australian Doctors International" (http://www.adi.org.au) and plan to show up as P29CW from Kiunga in the Western Province (OC-034) between February and early September. Operation is planned with only little power in CW/SSB/RTTY on 80m-10m. QSL via VK2IR (also eQSL). Logs and pictures are available online at http://www.p29cw.blogspot.com

S9 - SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE, AF-023
A team of seven HAMs from Germany (DL2JRM, DM2AYO, DD2ML, DK1AX, DF1AL, DL7VEE and DM5TI) will activate Sao Tome Island (AF-023) as S9DX from Feb 4-17. They will work with at least two stations and activities are planned in CW, SSB and RTTY on 160m-10m with emphasis on the lowbands in CW and RTTY. They also plan to take part in the CQ WPX RTTY Contest. QSLs via bureau or direct via DL1RTL.
Bureau QSLs may be requested online at: http://s9dx.hkmann.de

T30 - WESTERN KIRIBATI, OC-017
Bill,N7OU, and Bob,W7YAQ, are travelling to the Pacific once more. They will visit Tarawa (OC-017) from Feb 8-22. They will work mainly in CW but also in RTTY and SSB on 160m-10m with 100 watts and verticals and plan to take part in the ARRL DX CW Contest as well. Their calls are not known yet. QSLs via bureau or direct to their homecalls.

T30HC is the call of Udo,DL9HCU, on Tarawa (OC-017) now. The length of his stay is not known. QSLs direct or via bureau to his homecall.

V5 - NAMIBIA
Several members of the "Lufthansa Amateur Radio Club" (LARC) will be active in CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK and SSTV on 160m-10m signing V55DLH from Omaruru from Feb 5-12. The team members are Georg,DD8ZX, Bernd,DF1FF, Juergen,DH0RAK, Juergen,DH6ICE, Frank,DJ3FK, Rudi,DK7PE, and Bernhard,DK7TF. QSLs direct or via bureau to Zik,DK8ZZ.

Please visit the homepage of the LARC at: http://wp.larc.ws/?page_idy

3B8 - MAURITIUS, AF-049 / 3B9 - RODRIGUES ISLAND, AF-017
Bogdan,SP2FUD, and Slavo,SP2JMB, are going to visit these islands.
They will sign 3B8/homecall on Mauritius (AF-049) from Feb 4-24 and
also as 3B9/homecall on Rodrigues Island (AF-017) from Feb 18-22. They
also plan to join the CQ WPX RTTY Contest (Feb 12/13). The activities
will take place in CW, SSB and RTTY on 80m-10m.
QSL via their homecalls, also via bureau.

5H - TANZANIA
Maurizio,IK2GZU, is working in Ilembula/Tanzania from Feb 2 until Mar 8
and radio operation can be expected in CW, SSB and RTTY on HF (most
likely not on 80m/160m). He is using a 3 ele tribander pointing towards
Europe, verticals and dipoles. QSL via IK2GZU (bureau preferred) or via
LoTW. You may request bureau QSLs via his website where you can find
also a logsearch: http://www.buffoli-pm.it
His call will be issued upon arrival.

8Q - MALEDIVES, AS-013
Andrew,G7COD, announced to show up again as 8Q7AK from Embudu Island in
the South Male atoll (AS-013) from Feb 5-18. Andrew plans to work in CW
and SSB on 80-10m during following times: 0730-0830 UTC, 0900-1030 UTC,
1300-1500 UTC and 1730-1800 UTC. His preferred frequencies are:
CW: 3503, 7003, 10103, 14003, 18073, 21003, 24893 kHz
SSB: 3795, 7063, 14190, 18133, 21253, 24953 kHz.
QSL cards should be sent via bureau or direct to his homecall.
Please visit also his homepage at: http://8q7ak.freewebspace.com

AFRICA TRIP
Laci,HA0NAR, will be QRV again from Western Africa from Feb 5-26.
During this time he will sign 6W/HA0NAR from Senegal and J5NAR from
Guinea-Bissau. Furthermore Laci intends to activate following IOTAs:
AF-078 (Senegal South Group) from Feb 5-7 and
AF-093 (Guinea-Bissau Coastal Region Group) from Feb 8-11.
While on the mainland he will focus on the lowbands (160/80/40/30m).

SOUTH PACIFIC TRIP
Bob,5B4AGN, is travelling through the South Pacific during the first
half of February and will be QRV only in CW on all bands from:
Feb 2-8: Palau (OC-009) as T88ZM
Feb 9-16: Saipan (OC-086, USI NI002S, WLOTA 1333) as KH0/G3ZEM
His operations take place from these rental shacks:
http://palau.rental-shack.com/english and
http://saipan.rental-shack.com/english
QSLs via M0URX, also via bureau.

CANADA, SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS
All HAMs in in Nova Scotia may use the prefixes CJ1 (instead of VA1)
and CK1 (instead of VE1) during February to celebrate the Canada Games
which are held in Halifax during this time.
More information about the games: http://www.canadagames2011.ca/en/home

HUNGARY, SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS
Hungary took over the EU Presidency in 2011. The special event stations
HG2011A, HG2011E, HG2011EU, HG2011I, HG2011N, HG2011O, HG2011P, HG2011R
and HG2011U are actice until Jun 30 to mark this event. All QSOs will
be confirmed via bureau automatically. They have also a special award
for free and further information can be found at: http://www.mrasz.hu

NORWAY, SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS
LA200D stands for 200 years of the city of Drammen. This station is
active in all modes and on all bands throughout the year.
QSLs via bureau or direct to LA2D.

The special event station LM11SKI is working in all modes on all bands
from the Nordic World Ski Championships in Holmenkollen/Oslo between
Feb 1 and Mar 31. For more information see: http://www.oslo2011.no/en
QSL via LA4O, bureau ok.

SILENT KEYS: Following DXers passed away during the past weeks:
W.P. "Paddy" Gunasekera, 4S7PB, ex-president of the "Radio Society of
Sri Lanka", Willy Fiallo, HI8MWF, Alberto Di Pietra, IW9FC,
Drago Grabner, E73F, (YU4VGD, T94GB), and William "Bill" Wilson, WA8YTM

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Feb 6: North American Sprint
Feb 6: February QSO Party 2011
Feb 5/6: Black Sea Cup International Contest, see: http://bscc.in

IOTA collected by Fredy,DE0MST (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AF-027, FH, Mayotte: FH4VOS is the call of Bruno,DH1BL, now (active as
FH/DH1BL before). He will stay on Mayotte for the next three years.
QSL via DL7BC, via bureau or direct.

CARIBBEAN: Marcos,EA1PP, Oscar,EB1HF, and Recio,EC1DPM, will activate the
new DXCC entities Bonaire and Curacao in SSB and RTTY in February:
They will sign PJ4/homecalls from Bonaire (SA-006) from Feb 5-10 and
PJ2/homecalls from Curacao (SA-099) from Feb 11-16. They also plan to
join the CQ WPX RTTY Contest. The QSL manager for all calls is EA1PP.

IOTA approval (Date Dec 26, 2010)

9L0W AF-037
R0/US0IW AS-039
HZ1DG/p AS-193
XF1HUQ NA-078

XF1HVF NA-078
XF1RCS NA-171
V73RRC OC-278
YV7/UY5ZZ SA-012
CW3TD SA-057

Lighthouse activities (WLOTA/ARLHS/ILLW)

D44TBE LH 0610 Sal Feb 2-9
HI2/HB9OAU LH 2304 Saona Feb 6-18
HI2/HB9OAU LH 4024 Catalina Feb 6-18
HI7/HB9OAU LH 2974 Hispaniola Feb 6-18
PJ4/EA1PP LH 1279 Bonaire Feb 5-10
3B8/SP2JMB LH 0595 Mauritius Feb 4-24
3B8/SP2FUD LH 0595 Mauritius Feb 4-24

VALIDATIONS - Lighthouse activities approved by the WLOTA HQ

CT1END/p LH 2869 Insua Island Jul 21-25, 2010
CT7/CU8AS/p LH 2869 Insua Island Jul 22/23, 2010
OI3V/LH LH 1889 Saelgrund Island Aug 20-22, 2010
GB2MUL LH 2485 Mul Island Sep 18-24, 2010
RZ3EC/1 LH 2966 Hejnyaluoto Island Jul 21, 2005
RI1NU LH 2966 Hejnyaluoto Island Jul 21, 2005
LA9VDA/p LH 2558 Innlandet Island Jun 26/27, 2001

Bandspots of the last 7 days

160m
BU2AQ 1.810 2146Z (d)
KP2M 1.825 0442Z via AI4U (d), (L)
PY2BW 1.824 0433Z (B), (L)
TG9NX 1.823 0435Z via N4FKZ (d)
UK9AA 1.845 2051Z (d)
1A0KM 1.814 2039Z via IK0FTA (L)

80m
T88RX 3.508 2114Z via JE1RXJ (B)
VP8ORK 3.524 0328Z via VE3XN (B)
1A0KM 3.790 2122Z via IK0FTA (L)

40m
VP8ORK 7.055 0351Z via VE3XN (B), (L)
1A0KM 7.142 0808Z via IK0FTA (L)

30m
A45XR 10.113 1440Z (B)
VP8ORK 10.104 0610Z AN-008, via VE3XN (B)
ZL2AGY 10.106 0844Z (B)
3B8/F6HMJ 10.108 1601Z via F6HMJ (B)
5N7M 10.118 1606Z via OM3CGN (B)
7X2ARA 10.104 1634Z (d)

8Q7VR 10.105 1545Z via UR9IDX (d)

20m
CR6A 14.019 1625Z via CT1GFK (B)
CS7/PD0HNL 14.205 0758Z via PD0HNL (B)
FK/DL9GRE 14.005 0912Z via DL9GRE (B)
OH3JR/VP9 14.082 1649Z RTTY, via OH3JR (B)
VQ9JC 14.032 1540Z via ND9M (B)
VY2NU 14.018 1523Z (B, via request)
5R8HL 14.021 1533Z via SM1ALH (B)

17m
3B8/EA3WL 18.145 1142Z via EA3WL (B)
9M6XRO 18.077 1008Z OC-088, via M0URX (B)

15m
EA8CN 21.025 1554Z (L), (d)
3B8/EA3BT 21.295 1430Z AF-049, via EA3BT (B)
5R8HL 21.270 1216Z via SM1ALH (B)

* new QSL manager
(d) only direct
(B) bureau ok
(L) oTW
(r) bureau QSL via e-mail request

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

04Feb-24Feb 3B8/SP2FUD.. 1713 *
18Feb-22Feb 3B9/SP2FUD.. 1713 *
-Mar 3D2HC 1710
-Dec 3Y8XSA 1700
-13Mar 4S7KKG 1706
22Jan-04Feb 4S7LRG 1711
-25Oct 5B50J 1700
01Feb-05Feb 5C2L.. 1712
08Feb-08Mar 5H/IK2GZU 1713 *
17Jan-04Feb 5R8HL 1710

01Feb-31Mar 6W2SC/J5UAP 1712
05Feb-26Feb 6W/HA0NAR & J5 1713 *
-Apr/12 5Z4RH ? 1674
26Jan-14Feb 8P9ME & 8P9UR 1712
05Feb-18Feb 8Q7AK 1713 *
-Sep 9J2KK 1682
26Jan-Feb 9K50 1712
-Apr 9M2MRS 1697
-Feb 9M2QQ.. 1710
NOW 9M6/KM9D 1699
SOON 9Q1EK 1669

-Nov 9Q6CC 1699

04Feb-09Feb A35AY 1713 *
12Jan-09Feb A6/VE6LB 1710
-Aug A92IO 1663
-31Dec BP100 1684
-31Dec BV100 1684
07Feb-17Feb C6ABB 1713 *
03Feb-09Feb C6AWS 1713 *
Feb CJ1 & CK1 1713 *
-31Dec CW5RV 1711
-May D2AK 1675
-17Mar D2AM 1710
-22Apr D2QR 1675
-Feb D2SG 1692
02Feb-09Feb D44TBE 1713 *
-31Aug DL20Y2DM 1700

20Jan-08Mar EA8/IK1PMR.. 1712
03Feb-15Feb FK/DL2NUD.. 1713 *
-03Feb FM/F5LBG 1712
-Aug FO8RZ 1636
-Jul/12 FR8NE 1710
28Jan-05Feb FS/K4UP.. 1712
13Jan-12Apr H44MS 1710
-31Dec HB60LU 1711
01Jan-31Dec HG200LST 1708
-30Jun HG2011A 1713 *
26Jan-27Feb HI0RCD 1712
06Feb-18Feb HI/HB9OAU 1713 *
CANCELLED HI/IK2GNW 1712
10Jan-07Mar HK3JCL 1709
20Jan-10Feb HS0ZJF/8 1711
11Feb-20Feb HS0ZJF/9 1711

01Jan-31Dec IA7MM 1708
01Jan-31Dec II1ITA.. 1708
01Jan-31Mar IO7DAI 1708
-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul/12 J28RO 1683
05Feb-17Feb J6/DF2SS.. 1713 *
01Feb-09Feb J79FF 1712
-02Feb JT1ZW/JT5DX 1712
04Feb-18Feb JW8HGA.. 1713 *
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
POSTPONED KH5 1674/1705
09Feb-16Feb KH0/G3ZEM 1713 *
-31Dec LA200D 1713 *
-31Mar LM11SKI 1713 *
NOW LU1ZA (S.O.) 1695

-Mar OA/OE3NHW 1701
-20Feb OA4/DL1NL 1713 *
10Nov-24Feb OR4TN 1700
-Sep P29CW 1713 *
01Jan-31Dec PA30.. 1708
-Mar PJ2/DF7DQ 1712
11Feb-16Feb PJ2/EA1PP.. 1713 *
30Jan-11Feb PJ2/OE3JAG 1712
20Jan-03Feb PJ2/W8WTS.. 1711
05Feb-10Feb PJ4/EA1PP.. 1713 *
27Jan-03Mar PJ6/G4IUF 1712
Jan PS150PLM 1708
-Dec RI1ANC 1708
04Feb-17Feb S9DX 1713 *

NOW T30HC 1713 *
08Feb-22Feb T30 (N7OU..) 1713 *
Oct -May T6JC & T6TL 1695
02Feb-08Feb T88ZM 1713 *
30Jan-06Feb UN2011G.. 1712
-Feb V31YN & V31GW 1710
05Feb-12Feb V55DLH 1713 *
Nov -Mar/12 VK0KEV (Macq) 1700/1701
31Jan-06Feb VP5/G0UNU 1712
27Jan-08Feb VP8ORK 1712
26Jan-02Mar VY0JA 1712
NOW XT2RJA 1712
23Feb-08Mar XU7AFU 1711
-Sep ZD9GI 1691
-31Dec ZL50GH 1711
01Jan-31Mar ZL50VK 1708
-05May ZS8M 1674/1711

* New or updated
.. And other calls

QSL information

AX6HD via VK6HD (B)
AX6IR via VK6IR (B)
BG3EKH via BA3AO
BV100ROC via BM2JCC
CN8IG via EA7FTR
CS7/PD0HNL via NL13565 (d), eQSL
DL1JAM via OZ4ADP (B), (L), eQSL
DQ60SAAR via DK8VR (B)
DR11ITB via DK7FK (B)
DU1/IZ7ATN via IZ7ATN (B)
DU1/SM0MDG via EA3NT (B)
DX1HBC via DU1HBC
E70YL via E77E (B)
EA6BB via EA6CA (B)

EA7/M0JAF via ZB2JK (d)
EA8/DL3KVR via DL3KVR (B)
EA8/IK1PMR via IK1PMR (d)
EA8/ON5JV via ON5JV (B)
EF5K via EA5KB (B)
EK6TA via DJ0MCZ (d)
EV85DOSAAF/2 via EW1WA (B)
FM/F5LGE via F5LGE (B)
GB2HLS via M0HFC (B)
GB0LB via G0BRC
HG1DX via HA1XR (B)
HG2W via HA2QW
HG3DX via HA1DAE (*), (B)
HG3IPA via HA3JB (d)
HG3X via HA3IN (B)
HG4F via HA4FF (B), eQSL
HI0UD via ON4IQ (B)
IA7MM via IZ7AUH (B)
II7CL via IQ7MU (B)
IO7DAI via IK7JWX (B)
IQ9MK via IT9AKB (B)
IR1C via IK1APO (d, only with award)
IR7WFF via IK7JWX (B)
IT9GVT (d)
IT9/IK8WEJ via IK8WEJ (B)
IX1/IZ1FUM via IZ1FUM
J46J via SV1BJW (B)
K4R via KC4H (L), eQSL
KF6ZWD/HC2 via KF6ZWD
KH0WW via JP1IOF (B)
KP4ED via EB7DX (d)
KP4MS via W4DN
LU5FF via EA5KB (B)
LU7YZ via EA7FTR
LY13A via LY5A
LY13B via LY3BY (B)
LY13E via LY3NX
LY13G via LY1G (B)
LY13H via LY2H
LY13J via LY3J
LY13M via LY3M (B)
LY13O via LY8O (B)
LY13Q via LY4Q (B)
LY13T via LY2QT
LY13V via LY2FN (B)
LY13W via LY3W (B)
LY13X via LY3X (B)
LY13Z via LY2GV
LZ11PGP via LZ1KZA (B)
LZ12EYAC via LZ1BJ (B), (L)

LZ9X via LZ1RB
OD5ET via EB7DX (d)
ZV150LM via PT2AA (B)
8P9UR via W3UR (B), (L)
9K50RX via 9K2RX (B)
9K50UU via 9K2UU (d)

(d) Only direct
(B) Bureau ok
(*) New QSL manager
(L) Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) E-mail request

QSLs arrived direct: A31A & E51NAA & VP2EMR (alle via PA3LEO), A45XR, FG5LA,
HV5PUL (IW0JDB), J28AA (K2PF), N3DG/2 (IOTA NA 111),
PJ4D (W3HNK), PJ6A (N4NX), PJ7E (N4XP), RI1FJ (UA2FM),
TG9NX (N4FKZ), ST2AR (S53R), VQ9LA (N0QM), VY2ZM,
TX3A & VK9GMW & 5K0T (HA7RY)

QSLs arrived bureau: A61AB (via IZ8CLM), B7P (BA7NQ), C56SMT (SM1TDE), DQ3Q,
ID9/IZ0EHO (EU-017), IG9/IW9ELR, IM0/IW2MXY (EU-024),
IS0/IZ3KVD (EU-024), IY0NGM, IY0ORP (I0DJV), JW/OZ8KR,
KP2/JA1BPA (NA-106), LZ65P (LZ1ZF), LZ2010KM (LZ1BJ),
OH10TA (EU-096, IZ0EHO), OL80OK (OK1DRQ), OY9R,
ON1708M (ON5TN), PE2MC/p (EU-038), SV8/DM3DL (EU-174),
TF1IRA, TO3R (RW3RN), TP60CE (F5LGF), YB0AVK (HA0HW),
YI1RZ (IK2DUW), YJ0MM (9A8MM), 4S7ULG (UY5ZZ),
8Q7IA (UY5ZZ), 9W2CBL, 9X0TL (DL2RUM)

QSL via LoTW: V31RR, OH0/DL6UAA, OH2AVP, S92YV, SV2FPU/8, SV9GPV,
SV9/ON6WP, SX8WT, SY2WT, SY8WT, SY75NW, TC03W, TF5B,
TO7ZG, V5/DL7UPN, VP5/HB9CYV, KG8XV/VP9, XJ1CWI,
XO1CWI, ZL50VK

VISALIA DX CONVENTION

The "62nd Annual International DX Convention" will take place in Visalia/
California from Apr 15-17. If you want to join please register until Mar 19
on the website: http://www.dxconvention.org

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LATEST KATRINA HOT VIDEOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/katrinahot.html
DEEPIKA PADUKONE HOT VIDEOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/deepika-padukone.html
HOT ARCHANA STILLS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/archana.html
DEEKSHA SETH HOT WALLPAPERS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/deeksha-seth.html
KATRINA KAIF HOT VIDEOS&PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/katrina-kaif.html
SAMEERAREDDY HOT BOOBS
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UNSEEN HOT SEXY PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/never.html
SAMANTHA HOT SEXY PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/samantha.html
SEXY DIYA MIRZA
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/diya-mirza.html
HOT AISHWARIYA RAI
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/aish.html
priyamani hot&sexy photos
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/priyamani.html
KATRINA SEXY PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/katrina.html
ANUSHKA HOT PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/anuska.html
BEAUTIFUL AISHWARIYA RAI
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/aiesh.html
TRISHA HOT PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/11/trisha-hot.html
AMISHAPATEL HOT VIDEOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/amisha
HANSIKHA HOT SEXY PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/HANSIKA
HOT SEXY COLLEGE GIRLS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/hot
BEAUTIFUL LARADATTA
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/laradatta
NIKISHA HOT BOOBS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/nikisha

PRIYANKA SPICY LATEST PICS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/priyanka
ONLY FOR YOUTH
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/spicy
SRILEKHA UNSEENED PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/Srilekha
CHOPRA UNBELIVABLE PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/chopra
HOT BIPASA BASU PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/bipasa
TRISHA IN A SEXY FEEL
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/thrisha
SRISHA HOT BOOBS SHOW
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/srisha
BEAUTIFUL POONAM PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/search/label/poonam

110. Re: get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-02 17:20:53 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <5d19fc38-1031-4468-955b-12f51a26df6d@a28g2000vbo.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4950
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

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On Feb 1, 8:05 pm, kb9rqz <m...@kb9rqz.com> wrote:
> On Jan 29, 4:25 pm, kb9rqz <m...@kb9rqz.com> wrote:
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>
> > On Jan 29, 2:54 pm, UberJacker <nohij...@houston-hunks.com> wrote:
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> > > After Sored Mamzer, the Sword Brethren of Eastern Ohio filed a
> > > fraudulent DMCA complaint against Nimbusters, he only caused it to
> > > multiply into many boards and become even more annoying.  Right now, I
> > > count five separate boards, plus a place where you can look at a group
> > > photo.  They are as follows:
> > > This is getting out of control and is downright scary.  Please don't
> > > ToS Nimbusters again.  It has already multiplied enough!
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> > > (Obviously, Mark can never win.)
>
> > mark (me) has never ToSed nimbusters stan likely knows that- Hide quoted text -
>
> - Show quoted text -
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111. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-02 17:22:42 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <0812da52-f551-4245-a482-bba4b49b3619@k32g2000vbn.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4801

On Feb 2, 11:44 am, guru <sridatta9...@gmail.com> wrote:
> LATEST KATRINA HOT
VIDEOShttp://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/katrinahot.html
> DEEPIKA PADUKONE HOT
VIDEOShttp://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/deepika-padukone.html

can the spam

112. [RAC-Bulletin] AC Bulletin 2011-002E New National Affiliated Club Coordinator Appointed; Robert Critch VE3QTH joins RAC Team.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-03 03:22:32 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4D4A1EDF.8090205@rac.ca>
Source record: 4802
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2011-002E New National Affiliated Club Coordinator
Appointed; Robert Critch VE3QTH joins RAC Team.
2011-002-01

Geoff Bawden Announces The appointment of Robert Critch, VE3QTH as
National Affiliated Club Coordinator.

Robert Theo Critch VE3QTH

BIO:

Born in Montreal Quebec 1961 and lived there as a young boy. Then
moved to St. Jean, Que. Years later moved to Nova Scotia for awhile
before trekking to the Island of Newfoundland. As many young
Newfoundlanders do, he moved and settled in Toronto. But the
attraction of Barrie Ontario soon called out to him. So he packed up
the family and radio gear to land in the beautiful south-end of Lake
Simcoe in Barrie Ontario Canada that he now calls home.

Robert has had a long and outstanding carrier in Voice and Data
Communications Technology. He has worked for both large and small
organizations over the years and has run several business. His current
accomplishments include being the current President of Barrie
Amateur Radio Club Inc.(BARC), and being owner & President of a small
Telecommunications company. He is active on VHF, UHF, and HF on
several Phone and Digital modes. He is also very active in CANWARN,
ARES, and BARC activities & Club events. He holds a Basic +
license.

Robert will be joining the RAC team, taking over as RAC's National
Affiliated Club Coordinator.

" We live in a time of huge accomplishments in Science and
Technology and Radio Amateurs have been at the forefront of so many of
the advances. Amateur Radio is at it's best, when we work together. It
is my personal goal to help bring local clubs together under RAC on a
national scale, to share in their knowledge, ability and passion for
Amateur Radio."

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http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

113. The ARRL Letter for February 3, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-04 00:07:56 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20110203232913.E12AA27A8C@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 4803
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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The ARRL Letter

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February 3, 2011

Editor: S. Khrystyne Keane, K1SFA <k1sfa@arrl.org>

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SCOUTING: BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA AND ARRL TEAM UP TO HELP SCOUTS LEARN
COMMUNICATIONS SKILLS

After working together for nearly a century to provide Scouts with the
ability to learn radio communication skills, Boy Scouts of America and
the ARRL have officially teamed up by signing a memorandum of
understanding. This MOU designates the ARRL as a key resource for K2BSA
and Radio Merit Badge training at the BSA National Scout Jamboree and
establishes the ARRL as the go-to source for Scouts interested in
learning about and becoming involved in radio communication.

BSA Chief Scout Executive Bob Mazzuca and ARRL President Kay
Craigie, N3KN, launched the partnership January 31 by holding a unique
communications meeting. Mazzuca joined Craigie virtually during an
Internet video conference and document-signing ceremony. From separate
locations, the pair took the opportunity to talk about the importance
of each organization to the ongoing development of the other.

"Throughout the years, going all the way back to the Wireless Merit
Badge in 1918, the ARRL has worked hand-in-hand with Boy Scouts of
America to help teach Scouts the skills and joys of radio
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communication," said Chief Scout Executive Bob Mazzuca. "Today, we are making official a relationship that has been beneficial for both of our organizations for nearly a century." [Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/boy-scouts-of-america-and-arrl-team-up-to-help-scouts-learn-communications-skills>]

==> BOARD OF DIRECTORS: PRESIDENT CRAIGIE APPOINTS FORMER SM WILLIAM HUDZIK AS HUDSON DIVISION VICE DIRECTOR

After review of eligibility by the ARRL Ethics and Elections Committee, President Kay Craigie, N3KN, has appointed William W. Hudzik, W2UDT, of Gillette, New Jersey, to serve as Vice Director of the ARRL's Hudson Division for the remainder of the current term that expires January 1, 2013. Hudzik fills the vacancy created when Frank Fallon, N2FF, retired from the ARRL Board of Directors after more than 14 years of service and his Vice Director, Joyce Birmingham, KA2ANF, assumed the Director position. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/former-northern-new-jersey-section-manager-appointed-hudson-division-vice-director>.

==> LEGISLATIVE MATTERS: AMATEUR RADIO BILL INTRODUCED IN THE US SENATE

On January 26, Senator Joe Lieberman (ID-CT), along with Senator Susan Collins (R-ME), introduced Senate Bill 191, The Amateur Radio Emergency

Communications Enhancement Act of 2011. Similar to HR 81 <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/BILLS-112hr81ih/pdf/BILLS-112hr81ih.pdf>, introduced in the US House by Representative Sheila Jackson Lee (D-TX-18) <http://www.arrl.org/news/new-amateur-radio-bill-introduced-in-congress> on January 5, the bill, if passed, would direct the Department of Homeland Security (DHS <http://www.dhs.gov/index.shtm>) to undertake a study on emergency communications. S 191 has been referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs <http://hsgac.senate.gov/public/>. Lieberman is the Chairman of the committee, while Collins is the Ranking Member. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/senate-version-of-amateur-radio-legislation-introduced>.

==> ARRL FIELD DAY: 2011 FIELD DAY PACKET AVAILABLE

It's that time of year again -- time to start gearing up for ARRL Field Day, June 25-26, 2011! ARRL's flagship operating event -- always held the fourth full weekend in June -- brings together new and experienced hams for 24 hours of operating fun.

Field Day packets are now available for download <http://www.arrl.org/files/file/Field-Day/2011/2011_FD_Packet.pdf>and include the complete rules (including a change for 2011), as well as other reference items such as forms, ARRL Section abbreviation list, entry submission instructions, a Frequently Asked Questions section, guidelines for getting bonus points, instructions for GOTA stations and a kit to publicize your event with the local press.

There is one rule change for 2011. Starting this year, all stations operating in Class A may use a free VHF station without increasing their operating category. This is designed to encourage more activity on the VHF bands, especially 6 and 2 meters, during the best sporadic-E season of the year.

We have also included in the FD packet a brief one-page flier with basic "What is Field Day" information that may be reproduced as a handout for your information table.

==> ARRL AUDIO NEWS TO RESUME FEBRUARY 10

There will be no Audio News this week. It will resume next Thursday, February 10.

==> TAKE A (VIDEO) TOUR OF W1AW

Click here <http://www.arrl.org/multimedia> to watch a video tour of W1AW, conducted by Station Manager Joe Carcia, NJ1Q. Scroll down the page until you come to VIDEO: W1AW.

==> VOTE FOR YOUR FAVORITE ARTICLE IN THE FEBRUARY ISSUE OF QST

Now's the time to cast your vote for your favorite article in the February 2011 issue of QST <http://www.arrl.org/qst/>. Just head to the Cover Plaque Award page <http://www.arrl.org/cover-plaque-poll> and click on the article of your choice. The winner of the QST Cover Plaque Award for January is Jim Koehler, VE5FP, for his article "Reflow Soldering for the Radio Amateur." Congratulations Jim!

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SOLAR UPDATE

Tad Cook, K7RA, reports: The past week had a single zero sunspot day, on Thursday, January 27. Activity came right back, but the average daily sunspot number for the week fell over 12 points to 20.1, and average daily solar flux declined 2.7 points to 80.8.

Predicted solar flux values for the next week are below the average for the previous seven days. Values forecast by NOAA/USAF for solar flux are 78 on February 3-8, 76 on February 9-10, then 80, 80 and 82 on February 11-13.

Predicted A index on February 3-5 is 15, 8 and 8, followed by 5 for February 6-28.

Look for more information on the ARRL website on Friday, February 4. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>.

==> THIS WEEK ON THE RADIO

This week:

- February 4 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- February 5 -- Minnesota QSO Party; FYBO Winter QRP Sprint; AGCW Straight Key Party
- February 5-6 -- Delaware QSO Party; 10-10 International Winter Contest (SSB); British Columbia QSO Party; Mexico RTTY International Contest; YL-ISSB QSO Party (CW); EPC WW DX Contest
- February 5-7 -- Vermont QSO Party
- February 6 -- North American Sprint (CW)
- February 8 -- ARS Spartan Sprint
- February 9 -- NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint
- February 9-10 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

Next week:

- February 12 -- Asia-Pacific Spring Sprint
- February 12 -- FISTS Winter Sprint
- February 12-13 -- Dutch PACC Contest
- February 12-13 -- New Hampshire QSO Party
- February 12-13 -- CQ WW RTTY WPX Contest
- February 12-13 -- SARL Field Day Contest
- February 13 -- North American Sprint, SSB
- February 14-18 -- School Club Roundup

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more info. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- February 5 -- ARRL South Carolina Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/south-carolina-section-convention-1>, North Charleston, South Carolina; ARRL Virginia State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/virginia-state-convention-frostfest-2011>, Richmond, Virginia
- February 11-13 -- ARRL Southeastern Division Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southeastern-division-convention-orlando-hamcation>, Orlando, Florida
- February 18-19 -- ARRL Arizona State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arizona-state-convention-yuma-hamfest-emergency-preparedness-show>, Yuma, Arizona
- February 26 -- ARRL Vermont State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/vermont-state-convention-ham-con-1>, Colchester, Vermont

To find a convention or hamfest near you, click here <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests>.

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top contesters, letters, hints, statistics, scores, NA Sprint and QSO
Parties.
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<http://www.arrl.org/myarrl-account-management#%21/edit-info-email_subscripti
ons>
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communications news), the ARRL Contest Update (bi-weekly contest
newsletter), Division and Section news alerts -- and much more!
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114. WIANEWS FOR WEEK COMMENCING FEB 06 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-04 08:07:21 UTC
From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
Message-ID: <b9f52f9f-3ac5-4d30-87b9-06117ccc673c@smxsrv01.vintek.net>
Source record: 4804
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2011-02-06.mp3
Text edition:

WIANEWS - FEB 06 - VK NATIONAL NEWS

THE BEST NEWS YOU'LL GET ALL WEEK

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Please.. If you are only submitting text and not audio, write your story as
you would expect to hear it being read back and NEVER send just links & url's.

WIANEWS FOR WEEK COMMENCING FEB 06 2011.

Hams listening in while Yasi attacks

Uniden announces Australia's first 77 channel UHF-CB radio

CSIRO, NASA use Parkes telescope to take the pulse of the universe

BRAINWAVE CONTROL IS COMING

Twitter for ham radio

ALL THESE STORIES UP AND COMING IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS
INSTITUTE OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING FEBRUARY 6 2011.

Hams listening in while Yasi attacks

Hams have been keeping in touch via HF radio and keeping a vital link alive
during the passage of one of the more fierce and expansive severe tropical
cyclones to hit the North East coast of Australia in recent times.

Severe Tropical Cyclone Yasi, named by the Regional Specialist Meteorological
Centre at Nadi, Fiji, tracked from its breeding ground east of Vanuatu to make
landfall on the Far North Queensland Coast, during late Wednesday 2nd February.

The system was so vast that it affected communities along a 900km stretch of coast from Cooktown to Mackay and 500km inland to Croydon, Richmond, Charters Towers and Clermont.

A storm surge forecast of between 3 and 5 metres along with high seas forced the evacuation of many coastal facilities such as nursing homes, caravan parks and low lying residential areas.

A massive effort during Tuesday 1st was undertaken at construction sites, business areas, government centres, tourist facilities and farms to secure everything to prevent the incidence of flying debris during the onset of hurricane force winds.

Schools in most areas affected were closed on Wednesday and Thursday, with only those not damaged by the passage of Yasi opening on Friday.

Whilst making sure that their families and houses were safe, radio amateurs within the warning area and across the country kept in touch via HF Radio with a listening watch on Queensland WICEN frequency 7075kHz and regular contact via the morning Gnarly Net on 3600kHz and the afternoon Friendly Net on 7115kHz.

This regular contact has kept the communication lines open just in case the well engineered cyclone rated commercial telecommunication networks failed. Operators also maintained operations on VHF and UHF during the phenomenal weather conditions.

A number of Radio Amateurs who are members of the Australian Defence Force have been involved with flood relief operations during the previous weeks and are now assisting with the relief effort following the passage of Severe Tropical Cyclone Yasi.

Also assisting, some 120 Queensland, Tasmanian and Victorian State Emergency Service (SES), personel have headed north to cairns to assist with Yasi recovery effort.

Radio Amateurs living in the disaster area are now picking up the pieces, getting their stations back up and running as the Cyclone Season in Northern Australia is not over until the end of April and there might be another call to action during the next few months ahead.

Townsville hams are monitoring the local repeaters 146.7MHz and 438.225MHz and will be reverting to 146.5MHz and 439MHz should those repeaters fail.

Atherton Tablelands hams are monitoring the local repeaters
146.075MHz and 439.9MHz
along with 146.5MHz and 7075kHz.

Rockhampton hams are monitoring the local repeaters 146.7MHz and 438.225MHz along with 7075kHz and 3600kHz.

Cairns hams are monitoring the local VHF repeater 146.950MHz along with the Atherton Tableland repeaters, 146.5MHz and 7075kHz

Later in this bulletin you will hear from Felix, a long time contrbiutor to both Amateur Radio Magazine and this WIA National News Broadcast, Felix, or VK4FUQ, is based in Ingham, one of the areas hit hard by "yaesu" whoops yasi.

Currently Felix is A-OK but VKR THe police in Queensland have advised of road closures in Ingham and isolation for Cardwell

Yes police wish to advise all motorists that Cardwell can not be access via road due to flooding and extensive damage caused to the roadways.

Motorists are asked to avoid this area until further notice.

All vehicles heading to Ingham are urged to delay travel or head back to areas that can facilitate their stay as there is currently no power or water in the town.

Vehicular access is restricted to local residents or those officially assisting with recovery due to flooding.

(Police Media / Commercial Radio / Gavin VK4ZZ - Townsville, North Queensland)

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Hi everyone,

Just a reminder to get yourselves registered real soon for the fabulous Annual conference up here in Darwin at the end of May.

Plan and book your travel early so you can get a good priced seat on the plane.

Mirrambeena resort is the conference venue and we have secured a great accommodation deal there specially for conference participants so don't forget to make your bookings direct with them as well, as per the information on the WIA website.

The idea is to plan and book in advance don't leave it till the last minute you could be very disappointed.

We have lots of good things planned and we would love you to come and enjoy the top end in the dry. Find out why we love this place.

The theme this year "technology for the bush" and you could probably add "the joys of living in the top end". So come on up for the weekend and stay and have a bit more of a look around at this part of Australia.

www.wia.org.au is the place to do it just follow the prompts and take a look at the program as well. Its pretty well all there.

That's it for me for now i'm spud vk8zwm

Emergency Communications Training.

Eric VK2VE says that " It appears publicity for the first NSW course have not filtered through from the WIA so for NSW participants the first course will take place over two weekends, being February 19 20 then April 9 and 10.

Please note that 100% attendance at the two weekends is a requirement for successful course completion. If you have previously expressed an interest in doing the course, you STILL need to fill in the application form on wia.org.au

Many people have not realised that the expressions of interest previously submitted were only to gauge interest and will not result in automatic inclusion or the WIA contacting them to see if they still want to participate.

You can also contact the course convenors,
Eric van de Weyer VK2VE on 0414 528 629 or
Greg James, VK2GRJ on 0418 614 813.

"Although as shown in the great Queensland floods of January 2011 little if any use is made of Ham Radio operators, our time may very well come so to quote BP.. "Be Prepared".!" (ed)

Uniden announces Australia's first 77 channel UHF-CB radio

>From waterlogged antiques to modern narrowband communicators.

Unidens Mini Compact Mobile UHF-CB series accommodates all 77 channels to be open for business in May. The band restructuring aims to reduce congestion.

Uniden's Brad Hales, said it is an exciting development for CB radio users.

The Mini Compact series features a seven colour backlit LCD and keypad to match a vehicle's dashboard light colour, as well as a flip LCD feature for optional reverse mounting. The radios can be mounted in a variety of places including the console, dashboard, cabin roof and under the seat.

(press release plus current.com.au)

IT'S A GAS

Queensland Gas Corporation (QGC) has signed a $14 million contract with Motorola Solutions to provide project infrastructure communications for the Australian gas giant.

The deal will result in QGC being provided with a microwave radio system that will link its central processing plant to its head office in Chinchilla and provide project infrastructure communications.

The contract will include the integration of a Terrestrial Trunked Radio (TETRA) radio system for its offices.

Work on the site will commence this year, with the 28-site radio network set to be comprised of more than 3000 Motorola radios operating in the 450 to 470 MHz bands during both the construction and operation phases of the project.

READ IT IN FULL ON BOTH THE MOTROLA SITE AND
comuterworld.com.au

CSIRO, NASA use Parkes telescope to take the pulse of the universe

CSIRO astronomers using Parkes radio telescope are working closely with NASA to unlock one of astronomy's great enigmas - the science behind pulsars.

The project has tracked down 25 ultra fast "millisecond" pulsars in just two years, the same number discovered in the previous 20 years.

"This has been a hugely productive collaboration, and it is generating unprecedented returns for physics and astronomy," says the leader of the Parkes observations, the CSIRO's Dr Simon Johnston.

Innovation Minister, Senator Kim Carr, says the research exemplifies the sorts of international collaboration that the Australian Government is fostering across the board.

"We have a proud history of co-operation and involvement with NASA on a number of fronts, from assisting with communicating with the Apollo missions to the moon, to deep space exploration, and understanding how our universe works," says Senator Carr.

"It's all about exploring new frontiers and building Australian capacity as a research intensive and innovative nation.

Read the full story on
http://cowracommunitynews.com/viewnews.php?newsid=6480&id=47

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news

Exams available at Wyong HamFest Sunday February 27.

Amateur Radio New South Wales in conjunction with the Central Coast Amateur Radio Club will hold assessments with the first session at 7am, second session 10.30 am.

This is the fourth year that ARNSW has conducted exams at the Field Day.

A prior booking is desirable but not essential but you should make contact with the co-ordinator Brian Kelly to find out how the find the rooms, the costs and what is needed with the paperwork.

Brian's contact details are by mobile 0418 659 043 or
email to 3323wbk@tpg.com.au

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/
VKC Roundup http://www.police

All is set for next weekend's big one, the Centre Victoria RadioFest at Kyneton, just an hour from Melbourne, Ballarat and Bendigo.

The commercial traders are lined up, club corner participants set and the second hand sellers are ready.

The mini-lecture program is set to go off with many interesting and varied presentations.

Don't miss the Centre Victoria RadioFest Sunday 10am at Kyneton Racecourse.

Checkout the arv website for the details.

See you there. I'm Bruce Lees VK3FFF and you're listening to VK1WIA.

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web service local audio news:- www.wiaq.com/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
local news email qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
VKR Roundup http://www.police.qld.gov.au/News+and+Alerts/Media+Releases/

Welcome to Qnews from VK4WIA. I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP, and I've been thinking.

Over the past few years the internet has become the ubiquitous contact point for the majority of people. We lost the telegram and the price of postage has just risen even although delivery times are slower in areas such as where I live. I suppose that I can't complain because I have been able to use the internet to deliver messages, DX when the bands have been dead and obtain equipment for my station as well as research many things without going to a library.

Those businesses serving the amateur radio market are very savvy to the power and speed of the internet and questions are usually very promptly answered. The down side is that the hamfest gatherings are finding it harder to attract commercial displays as the competition has sliced profit margins very low.

I have recently been gathering information on a particular item that I need to buy - but not AR related. This is a major sector of the Australian retail economy whose figures feed into the Consumer Price Index. A search of the range brings pages of results all with "contact the dealer" tags. Unlike our niche AR traders, these players ignore contact via email and telephone and they are ignoring customers.

I suppose the moral is to support your local amateur radio supplier as he is giving good service in the e-commerce world.

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think, how about you?

CLUBBING

TABLELANDS RADIO AND ELECTRONICS CLUB
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www.treclub.org.au

G'day again, this is Dale VK4DMC for the Tablelands Radio and Electronics Club, TREC, in Far North Queensland.

As you are no doubt aware a severe Category 5 Cyclone called Yasi crossed over the coast here in Far North Queensland.

As I write this item it is Wednesday the 2nd of February and we are still in the process of battening down for Yasi which is due to visit us here on the Atherton Tablelands in around 12 hours time.

Local amateurs have been preparing for this cyclone now for a few days now by dismantling antenna systems, ensuring that their emergency power and transceivers are working and of course also looking after the family home.

Some local amateurs have evacuated to safe centres. John VK4JKL, Gary VK4FD, Jeff VK4BOF, Paul VK4ZJD to name just a few.

A listening watch has been established on 7.075MHz and 3.600MHz as well as Ch.50 on 2 metres and various local repeaters.

This is a huge system with great potential to cause massive damage and by the time you hear or read this the outcomes will have been well published by the media.

I will endeavour to give a more comprehensive report next week, providing I still have a shack.

Visit the TREC website at www.treclub.org.au for further information and you can also download the latest monthly news in TREC-NEWS.

February 19 a Saturday will see the Tablelands Radio and Electronics Club's Social get-together at 1000hrs, a Show and Tell at the clubrooms, followed by a management committee meeting. Guest speaker is Howard VK4BS President of the Cairns Amateur Radio Club.

VK7
local area news :- http://reast.asn.au/news.php
vk7 local news, email vk7regionalnews-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

Training and Education

Congratulations to Pat Price, Angela Devine and Nicole Sweeney who all passed their Foundation Licence assessments last Saturday week the foundation training day put on by REAST in Southern Tasmania..

We look forward to hearing you all on air.

(vk7news)

VK8

News from the Darwin amateur radio club.

G'day, this is spud vk8zwm president of the Darwin Amateur Radio club with the latest club news.

The annual general meeting was held early in December.
The new committee members are
Spud vk8zwm president
Geoff vk8gp vice president
Peter vk8hpb secretary
Mike vk8xz treasurer
Station manager Richie vk8rr
Committee vk8hf John, Patrick vk8zmx and Alan vk8ab
A new public officer Ian vk8ip was also elected.

Membership remains at $25.00 and is now due. See spud or Mike to pay your dues soon.

A special general meeting will be held soon to pass necessary paperwork, so keep an eye on your e-mails and on air please.

The annual fee (Fridge emptying exercise) was held on the first meeting night of the year the 5th of January after we all had a chance to do a little recovery from the Christmas break. A good attack on the fridge and a chinwag was held.

Catch ya later

This is spud vk8zwm in Darwin hooroo.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART and the WW sources of the WIA.

Ham Radio used to by-pass Egypt net block

The BBC reports that fax machines, ham radio and dial-up modems are helping to avoid the net block imposed on Egypt.

Read the full BBC report at http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/technology-12322948

We Rebuild - Egypt/Ham radio
http://werebuild.eu/wiki/Egypt/Ham_radio

Balloon flight pictures in the press

Alex Baker and Chris Rose, mechanical engineering students at the University of Sheffield, UK, attracted widespread media publicity after releasing pictures taken from their High Altitude Balloon. It reached a reported height of 37km where it took some stunning pictures of the stratosphere before landing in Cambridgeshire.

The equipment to take the pictures cost them just £350.

To track it they used a cell-phone attached to the balloon that sent back the GPS co-ordinates by text.

At the present time Amateur Radio payloads are not permitted on balloons in the UK, hence the innovative use of mobile phones.

Watch the BBC Video at
http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/science-environment-12323098

Read the Daily Mail newspaper story at
http://www.dailymail.co.uk/sciencetech/article-1352086/It-Hubble-The-stunning-images-space-taken-students-350-budget.html

Army CubeSat SMDC-ONE

Radio Amateurs pioneered the development of CubeSat technology and demonstrated the communication capabilities of these small satellites.

Now young US Army engineers are developing their own CubeSats at the Redstone Arsenal in Alabama.

Their first 3U CubeSat called Space and Missile Defence Command-Operational Nanosatellite Effect or SMDC-ONE for short was launched on a SpaceX Falcon 9 rocket.

This initial demonstrator mission went into a very low orbit, about 300km above the earth. During its short lifetime it proved the ability to receive text and images from a ground sensor and then to relay that data to a ground station.

An article on SMDC-ONE by Kari Hawkins is now available on the web.

Read The Redstone Rocket article Flying into orbit in small package www.theredstonerocket.com/node/216

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

ALASKA CLUB LOOSES EMCOMM TRAILER TO MOTHER NATURE

A windstorm has destroyed a mobile ham radio emergency communications trailer in Alaska. According to a posting on Q-R-Zed dot com by District Emergency Coordinator Don Bush, KL7JFT, the Matanuska Amateur Radio Association lost its vehicle in the wind storm on January 12th.

Bush says that the trailer was originally purchased with a grant from the Anchorage Amateur Radio Club along with donations received from various members and organizations in Alaska. Not having any insurance on it, Bush says that the club does not know it can replace it. He adds that this is a big "blow" for a small club that is very active in the community in helping with all kinds of events. He also says that the trailer was the only backup communications for the Borough Emergency Services if conventional communications is lost.

A fund has been set up to try to raise funds to replace the destroyed vehicle.

NEW 60 METER BLOG

Peter Ourednik, OK1RP, in the Czech Republic, now runs a blog covering the 60 meter or 5 MHz band. It features information on DX operation and related news for the band. You can read it on-line at 60mband.blogspot.com

BRAINWAVE CONTROL IS COMING

Get ready to control your, TV set, your stereo and maybe even your ham radio station with only your mind. That's what you may be able to do with brain waves if the technology developed by a company called PLX Devices proves out. No its' not science fiction as we hear in this report:

According to its website, the XWave from PXL Devices is the first consumer product priced under $100 which can sense and detect human brainwaves, interpret them and connect it to everyday technology.

PLX Devices founder and CEO is Paul Lowchareonkul. He recently told the U.K. Daily Mail that it was only a matter of time before products like the XWave entered the mainstream. Lowchareonkul says that the human brain is the most powerful, complex thing in the universe, and for the first time, we're able to harness its amazing power and connect it to everyday technology.

Lowchareonkul says that with the development of 3rd party applications or apps, the potential for innovation is limitless. At the moment, PLX is only offering apps that interact with the XWave for Apple mobile devices like the iPhone, iPad and iPod touch. There are four apps currently available that interact with the XWave. These include a basic set-up app; an app that allows you to upload your song list and sync your brainwaves with any song in your library; a "Tug of Mind" app and a meditation app. In the future, PLX says on its website that you will be able to control and float objects in video games by simply thinking about it, or train your mind to focus and relax on command.

And if you do get one and are able to develop an app to control your ham station with your brain, please be sure to let us know so that we can pass it along to what will then become a truly mew world of amateur radio.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bruce Tennant, K6PZW. In Los Angeles.

>From pictures on-line, the XWave device itself looks almost like an ordinary headset for telephone operator. The PLX website claims that XWave is perfectly safe because it only listens to brainwaves and does not transmit or send out any signals. That's a good thing for many reasons including there being no need to add more QRM to our already overcrowd bands.

More on this rather interesting device is on-line at
www.plxwave.com/info.html

REWIND - WITH COL VK4CC

Historic callsign heard again in Australia.

The callsign G2YT, Peter in the UK is quite well known on the 20m amateur bands each summer but possibly less well known is the fact that this call has a fascinating history.

In the early 1920's, the UK call 2YT was issued to the Marconi Wireless Telegraph Company for use by the Poldhu radio station in SW England. It is likely that the call was also used by Marconi whilst aboard his yacht "Electra". In 1924 2YT at Poldhu took part in test transmissions to receivers built by AWA and installed at 2FC in Willoughby, NSW.

One of the engineers working with Marconi was radio pioneer Mr Crispin (Cris) Redshaw. When Cris became silent key in 1974, one of Cris' relatives asked Peter if he would like to resurrect the old call, by this time, G2YT. It was only after having done this Peter discovered its fascinating history.

Peter is the fourth custodian of G2YT, it having been reissued twice previously.

For further information please see www.qsl.net/vk2dym/radio/Marconi.htm

OPERATIONAL NEWS -

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2011

Feb 26-27 ZL Jock White Field Day

Mar 19-20 WIA John Moyle Field Day weekend

Apr 30 WW Marconi Day 2011 www.gb4imd.org.uk in due

DX Records News

New 1296 MHz mobile record

John VK3KM WIA Contest Manager let the vk7 news team know last week that there is a new 1296 MHz mobile record in VK, just under 1000 kms, in fact 933.7 km!

He has also added to the official history 2 retrospective 6 metre records

VK4DV to PA0HIP - 15,742.4 km, 15 Feb 1991

VK4DV to GJ4ICD - 16,278.0 km, 12 Oct 1989

Details of all current VHF-UHF records, and a list of all Australian records since 1947, are on the WIA web site at the web address that can be found on the email and internet editions of this broadcast.

http://www.wia.org.au/members/records/data/index.php

(vk7news)

2.4GHz VK-ZL Record

A record 2.4GHz VK ZL record was set between VK4OX and ZL1TPH 2317.1km.

Adrian made an mp3 recording - it runs for 34 minutes and can be found at the link on the email and internet editions of this broadcasts.

www.vklogger.com/docs/zl1tph_vk4ox_13cm.mp3

As Jim VK3OX told Graham " If you listen to the mp3 recording Adrian made the sigs on 2403.2MHz were peaking 5-8 and quite amazing! Later that day Adrian pushed the record out a few km more when he worked Brian, ZL1AVZ".

The highlights are at 02 mins and 40 secs into the recording where they are on 2 metres arranging to QSY to 2.403GHz when ZL1TPH/P says he has never heard a VK so strong.

At 24.43 Adrian starts TXing his callsign on CW on 2.4GHz followed by a series of dits. This ends at 26.31.

26.32 ZL1TPH/P replies on SSB on 2.403GHz.

Two way sig reports are exchanged by 27.00.

27.40, ZL1TPH comments "first crossing (from ZL) towards Australia on 2.4GHz.

(VK3OX AND VK7NEWS)

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, REPEATER BEACON DX AND NET ADVICE

"BARRY"" FIRST ZS WORKED ALL STATES TRIPLE PLAY AWARD

The ARRL has awarded the first Worked All States Triple Play award to a South African Radio Amateur. Barry Murrell, ZS2EZ, is the recipient of Award number 492 issued on 7 January 2011.

The Triple Play Award requires working all 50 US States on SSB, CW and RTTY (150 contacts) with all confirmations via LoTW. Only contacts from 1 January 2009 count.

LAST CHANCE TO MAKE CONTACT WITH ZS85SARL

For the SARL Field Day on 12 to 13 February, members of the Boland Amateur Radio Club will have the SARL's birthday call sign, ZS85SARL, on the air and will offer the last opportunity to radio amateurs, who have not yet made contact with ZS85SARL, to do so.

An effort will be made to achieve a WAZS 200 via the SA QSL system under this call sign. Radio amateurs, who have not yet made contact with ZS85SARL, are thus specially invited to contact ZS85SARL during the Field Day event and to confirm the contact via the SA QSL system.

Kuwait is using the special prefix 9K50 until 28th February.

Province of Nova Scotia will use special prefixes CJ1 and CK1 all February.

St Vincent J88DR February 16 to March 14, this by Dave G3TBK.

Mauritius listen for 3B8/SP2JMB and 3B8/SP2FUD until 24th February

Until February 6th (1800hrs utc) two major cities of Kazakhstan - Astana and Almaty are hosting the 7th Asian Winter Games.

Almaty Amateur Radio League (ARL) is pioneering the initiative to celebrate the games by activation of special central stations:

* UN2011G (Game) - ARL club station in Almaty - regular callsign UN0GL
* UP2011AWG (Asian Winter Games) - club station in Astana - regular callsign UP7Z

And 8 special stations from Almaty featuring special prefix UP2011.

* UP2011AS (alpine skiing) - UN8GU, op. Andy
* UP2011BN (biathlon) - UN7QCC, op. Victor
* UP2011CS (cross-country skiing) - UN6GAE, op. Alexander
* UP2011FG (freestyle skiing) - UN8GZ, op. Vitaliy
* UP2011HB (Russian hockey, bandy)- UN6GT, op. Valeriy
* UP2011IH (ice hockey) - UN2G, op. Evgeniy
* UP2011SJ (ski jumping) - UN6QC, op. Artur
* UP2011SO (ski orienteering) - UN8GC, op. Michael

CYCLONE SEASON

Radio amateurs across the country keep in touch via HF Radio:-

This with a listening watch on Queensland WICEN frequency 7075kHz and regular contact via the morning Gnarly Net on 3600kHz, the afternoon Friendly Net on 7115kHz and the Afternoon net on 7098kHz.

THE QNEWS WORK BENCH - the nuts and volts report -
(Measure twice - Cut once!)

Nanotape may oust solder pads

Solder pads in IC packages could soon be made obsolete by a new nanotape material developed by the Semiconductor Research Corporation (SRC) and Stanford University.

Using a sandwich of thermally conductive carbon nanotubes between thin metal foils, the nanotape transfers heat away from chips better than solder, and it is a lightweight, flexible material that is cheaper and more compliant.

Externally, a nanotape pad looks like a conventional solder pad because both the top and bottom are metallic, but internally it harbours the superior thermal conductivity of carbon nanotubes, with heat transfer characteristics similar to those of copper.

The researchers predict that early adopters will begin using the nanotape by the end of next year, with mainstream benefits to end users starting around 2014.

http://www.src.org/

(vk7news)

MEDIA WATCH
www.cq-amateur-radio.com/WorldRadio.html
VK Club Bulletins http://groups.yahoo.com/group/aarnie/

IRTS Changes

The layout of the IRTS web site www.irts.ie has been updated. While the structure of the site remains broadly the same as before, we have revised some of the content.

There is no shortage of data and information about Amateur Radio on the 'Net. With this in mind, the IRTS site focuses on material of particular interest to its members and for visitors to Ireland.

The IRTS weekly news is now read on 'Dundalkfm' local community radio station on Tuesdays. This provides open access to amateur radio news for the general public. Dundalkfm broadcast on 100 MHz and stream live on the internet on www.dundalkfm.com

Also advanced plans are in place to provide a Podcast version of the IRTS weekly news. The MP3 Podcast will be available for download from the IRTS website.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- CW
FISTS Club - East Asia www.feacw.net
FISTS Club - Australasia www.fistsdownunder.org

FISTS Club - UK & Europe www.fists.co.uk
FISTS Club - Americas www.fists.org

1951 PMG Telegraphers

In the Daily Telegraph newspaper this may interest some old timers out there.

"Seeking telegraphists from the class trained at the Chief Telegraphists office GPO Sydney in 1951. The diamond anniversary reunion will be held on February 11th. Call Ted Mercer on 02-9525-7350.

(vk2wi)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

AMSAT-VK UNOFFICIAL HF Net.
2nd Sunday each month.
April through October 1000 UTC 3.685 MHz
November through March 0900 UTC 7.068 MHz

Over the past weeks we have made reference to NanoSail-D, well according to NASA, the nanosatellite was last heard at 1354 UTC on January 21.

Telemetry indicates that the sail deployed on schedule and the satellite is now believed to be out of power, which NASA said was to be expected. NASA is now asking for visual tracking and sighting reports of NanoSail-D which is about 650 km above the Earth. According to the agency, when the nanosatellite's sail reflects off the Sun, it could be up to 10 times as bright as the planet Venus, especially when the sail descends to lower orbits.

You can track NanoSail-D on the web
http://spaceweather.com/flybys/

or on your smart phone
http://simpleflybys.com/

NASA estimates that NanoSail-D will remain in low Earth orbit (LEO) between 70 and 120 days, depending on atmospheric conditions.

(arrl)

Kletskous, is a hands-on CubeSat aimed at promoting greater involvement in satellite activity by South African Radio Amateurs.

A preliminary teleconference has been held reviewing the various options and payload. The first draft of a project plan is available on amsatsa.org.za

Project manager is Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP. Hannes is inviting interested ZS persons to join the team. "We are particularly looking for radio amateurs with RF design experience, antenna design experience and software writing experience.

(saamsat@intekom.co.za)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- INTERNET --- THE HAMS DOMAIN

Twitter for ham radio

Twitter? Everyone has heard about it, but few ham radio operators actually
use it for real.

Here is a guide to start on Twitter and use it for ham radio activity.

http://f1jxq.passion-radio.org/ham-radio-operator/how-to-twitter-for-hamradio-operator/

(Southgate)

SOCIAL SCENE

2011

Feb 13 VK3 Centre Victoria RadioFest No.4 Kyneton Racecourse
(http://amateurradio.com.au/node/865/)

Feb 27 vk2 Central Coast Amateur Radio Club Ham Fest at Wyong
Start Time : Gates open 6.30 am

Feb 27 vk3 YARRA VALLEY HAMFEST at Gary Cooper Pavilion 16 Anzac Av
Yarra Glen. Opens 10am-2pm.
(www//yarravalley.ar.org.au)

Mar 13 vk3 EMDRC White Elephant Sale Heathmont.

Mar 20 vk7 MEET THE VOICE BBQ "Ross Caravan Park".

Apr 9 vk6 Hills Amateur Radio Group HARGFEST at club rooms Lesmurdie.
(HARGFEST. ie, hamfest run by HARG)

Apr 18 WW "Amateur Radio: The first technology-based social network"
World Amateur Radio Day, April 18, 2011.

May 27-29 WIA AGM Weekend in Darwin
secretary@wia.org.au

Jun 10-12 VK4 Far North and North Queensland Amateur Radio Gathering at
King Reef Resort Kurrimine Beach.

Jul 31 VK2/3 Riverina Field Day 10am at Lavington Scout Group Hall.

Aug 7 VK2 Lismore region - SARCFEST

Sep 23-28 R3 Region 3 ARDF Championship Bendigo VK3
http://r3.ardf.org.au/

Nov 20 vk5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society Hamfest
Goodwood Community Centre, Rosa St Goodwood at 0930.
Visit www.ahars.com.au for contact details

2012

15TH IARU REGION 3 CONFERENCE hosted by V.A.R.C. in Ho-Chi-Minh City, Vietnam.

JAN 23-FEB 17 YEAR 2012
World Radio Conference WRC-11 Geneva 23rd January TO 17th February 2012

MAY 3-18 2012 VK5
YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

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Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our lastet NEWSLETTER of the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2011-02-04
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter one or two times per week.
For further detail please be so kind and refer at our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - welcome and enjoy ...

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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** MMMonVHF Trophy: "Best VHF DX Expedition" of the Year 2010 **

Dear VHF-Fans and participants of the 2010ï¿½s MMMonVHF Voting,
First of all we would like to thank you very much for all of your
votes for our MMMonVHF Voting ï¿½BEST VHF Expedition of 2010ï¿½

We are very proud to count a total of 105 voters - which will be
the best result since our start 2007. During the voting period from
1st to 20th of January 2011 we counted more than 100 voters from
32 different countries which clicked more than 300 times for 52
different Expeditions, which were published on the Review Page of
www.mmmonvhf.de during past year (2010). In the EME section you was
able to vote from 18 Expedition and that got 220 votes and in the
MS section we did count 34 Expedition with 92 votes this year.

As the result of the Voting 2010 the Team of MMMonVHF
is happy to announce the following person / Teamï¿½s as winner:

Category EME:
1st Place and so ï¿½BEST VHF - EME Expedition of 2010ï¿½:
Rene, PE1L and Eltje, PA3CEE and Johan, PE9DX (as 3B8EME & PI4KST)
2nd place: Lance, W7GJ & Bob, ZL1RS (as 3D2LR & 3D2RS)
3rd place: DK2ZF (as CE0Y, CE2/DK2ZF & OH0/DK2ZF)

Category Meteorscatter:
2 times the 1st Place and so ï¿½BEST VHF MS Expeditionï¿½s of 2010ï¿½:
Teams of US8ZAL/p & EM5U - UX5UL/p - UT6UG/p - UY5UG/p
3rd place Hermann, DL2NUD (as FY/DL2NUD & SM/OH/DL2NUD...)

The complete 2010 result and lot of comments and details at:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/trophy2010.php

If you interesting to see the results of past year:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/trophy2009.php
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/trophy2008.php
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/trophy2007.php
SOURCE: Jani, HA5CRX on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

*** MMMonVHF Preview: Meteor Scatter in February & March 2011 **

In February and March, Sporadic Meteors reach their annual minimum
of activity; anyway, MS-DXing is still possible in 144 MHz,
especially in the morning and over distances close to optimal.
Only minor showers hit the Earthï¿½s atmosphere in February and
March. The most significant is Capricornids-Sagittariids, a daytime
shower, capable of providing fairly good meteor rates sometimes at
the end of January ï¿½ early February. Have a look to shower
predictions for February - March 2011 at www.mmmonvhf.de/ms.php
SOURCE: Massimo, IV3NDC, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

** FG-Expedition QSL **

Hi all, FG QSL will be mailed by the middle of the next week.
Follow your QSL status on Phils homepage:
http://fgdxpeditionf1duz.monsite-orange.fr/qslstatus/index.html
2010-01-02: Hi all, The first QSLs have been sent. You can check
your status on my page 73 all SOURCE: Philippe F1DUZ via MoonNet
(TNX Phil - received the nice Foto-QSL yesterday! 73 de Guy 8EBW)

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: FK8 ; Square: RG37 ; Start: 2011-01-16 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3638

Hermann, DL2NUD, will be on EME-Tour again in begin of the year
2011. That time he is acompanied by Stefan,DL9GRE, who will be
qrv on HF. LATEST NEWS from Hermann, DL2NUD, dated 2011-02-03:
Only sporadic activities, FK/DL2NUD QRV time to time 144.144 first
next days during the time of the bad moon figures (high neg. DGR).
Right now they are in a bad QTH, have poor take off and results
are not the best (often heard, but did not make to much QSOs). From
up 9th of febr. the Team shall have a much better QTH (as well for
Europe) and will try to be much more and constant active...
SOURCE: Hermann, DL2NUD via Dith, DF7KF direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:

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** "NO" AF-068, ONLY FROM MARRAKECH **

5C2P - 5C2J - CN8QY ARE TRANSMITTING only FROM MARRAKECH CITY !
2011 Next dxpedition to Marocco from HERNE island iota AF-068 is annulled for a terrible accident with the car! We will active Herne is. AF-68 and CNFF-007 in sept. 2011. Follwing info to http://www.i8lwl.it at the page NEWS. We need supporters and sponsors! For donations send Pay Pall to alddavin"@"tin.it 73
SOURCE: Fred, IK7JWX via [<< DCINEWS >>]

** 9N, NEPAL, Activity on HF and 50 MHz **

Operators Dov/4Z4DX/9N7DX and XYL Anat/9N7YL will be active between April 13-30th. Activity will be mainly 20/15/10/6 meters using mostly CW, RTTY and PSK31. Dov is going to organize the big DX-pedition in November 2011, to celebrate his 60 years birthday and 45th anniversary of being on the air. QSL via 4Z4DX. For more details and updates, see: http://www.mdxc.org/9n7dx/ and also http://www.qrz.co.il/home.php?page=9N7DX
SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #996

** NORWAY, SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS **

LA200D stands for 200 years of the city of Drammen. This station is active in all modes and on all bands throughout the year. QSLs via bureau or direct to LA2D. The special event station LM11SKI is working in all modes on all bands from the Nordic World Ski Championships in Holmenkollen/Oslo between Feb 1 and Mar 31. For more information see: http://www.oslo2011.no/en QSL via LA4O, bureau ok. SOURCE: DXNL 1713 (Feb 2, 2011)

** special prefixes CJ1 and CK1 in february **

Amateur radio operators in the Provice of Nova Scotia will be permitted to use special prefixes CJ1 and CK1 during the entire month of February to celebrate the 2011 Canada Games to be held in Halifax. VA1 stations will be allowed to use the special prefix CJ1, while VE1 stations will use the special prefix CK1.
SOURCE: [TNX VA3RJ] via 425 DX News #1030

** Sao Tome & Principe DX Pedition (JI39GX) **

Operators Rene DL2JRM, Klaus DK1AX, Ulli DD2ML, Sid DM2AYO, Rolf
DL7VEE, Jurgen DF1AL and Hartmut DM5TI plan to be QRV 4-17 February
2011 as S9DX from Ilhï¿½u das Rolas (IOTA AF-023, WLOTA 1622,
WW Loc. JI39GX), located in the Cauï¿½ District of Sï¿½o Tomï¿½ Province
They will have two similar stations (K3, 650w) operating 24/7 on
all bands/modes 1.8 through 28 MHz (50 MHz). Focus will be on the
low bands, on RTTY, SSB and CW. QSL is via DL1RTL, direct only.
Further information is expected soon. Website: s9dx.hkmann.de/
SOURCE: Harry DM5TI via Bill NG3K-DX-News & ICPO

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The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF - Newsletter Credits & Info
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HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats
like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USER who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/kontact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

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116. SEXY VIDEOS AND HOT PHOTOS FREE SERVICE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-04 10:03:11 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <280699a3-199f-42a4-948c-bed4ffa1415d@o18g2000prh.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4806

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117. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1747 - February 4 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-04 14:12:48 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20110204141237.82D528FDDE@panix3.panix.com>
Source record: 4807
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1747 - February 4 2011

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1747 with a release date of
Friday, February 4, 2011 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. The mass media claims ham radio is part of
the uprising in Egypt but is it? Also ARISSAT-1 is now safely on the
International Space Station, Australian hams keep emergency channels
open for Cyclone Yasi and lots of action from the FCC. Find out the
details on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm)report number 1747 coming your way
right now. (Billboard Cart Here)

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RADIO AND POLITICS: HAM RADIO AND THE EGYPT UPRISING

The mass media claims that ham radio has been an information channel
out of Egypt during the uprising against President Hosni Mubarak, while
others are not so sure. But the media still seems to be jumping in
without any way to confirm its stories on ham radios involvement.
Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP, is here with what we know
and what we can only surmise:

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Once you spend the time to vette all these stories of ham radio
involvement in Egypt you realize not a one of them can be true.

First off, most reports are credited to unspecified hams or websites
around the world. Not one callsign or name has been attached to any
report so that it can be verified.

Second, if there were Egyptian hams on the air, it would be their
neighbor hams in Israel and the world's "Big Gun DX Super-Stations,"
rather than Joe Ham with his dipole and 100 watt transceiver hearing
them. But to date nobody has heard one word from any of the worlds
well known DX'ers or the Israeli amateur radio community. That in
itself is more than enough to make a reporter suspicious.

As we said, all reports so far have been rumors, most coming from
websites sympathetic to the Egyptian people who are demonstrating. And
some do claim that unnamed hams in their group have heard reports
transmitted in Morse code of conditions in Cairo and elsewhere. Reports
that at the time were impossible to confirm since Egyptian President
Hosni Mubarak had banned all news reporting out of that nation
including the pro-Arab Al Jazerra News Network. News reporting that

has since been partially restored.

But lets take this a step further. If you bother to look up a listing of hams licensed by the Egyptian government, the total is only about two dozen. Someone may claim a Morse message posted on a website sympathetic to the plight of the Egyptian people was delivered by ham radio, but if here are people transmitting from Egypt it's more likely to be that nations equivalent of unlicensed Freebanders than a person holding a valid SU prefix callsign. If there are stations sending reports in Morse, there is a far better chance that it's some fool in New York City, London or Paris taking advantage of the situation than a station in Cairo, Alexandria or Giza risking his or her life.

Of coarse for the moment we freely admit that this is all conjecture, but ask yourself this. If there were valid ham radio stations on the air from Cairo or anywhere in Egypt, who would be the ones hearing them? The answer as we said is the hams next door in Israel who have to be listening in because they can hear just about any signal coming out of Egypt. Also, the multi-million dollar DX and contest stations world wide can usually hear a pin drop on the other side of the world when band conditions are good. But with High Frequency band conditions in the doldrums, even for the very best of competition grade DX station installations would have little chance that any of the reported transmissions come from Egypt, if they exist at all.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Norm Seeley, reporting what little is known from Scottsdale, Arizona.

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One problem with ham radio is that most people who know how to use it in Egypt were probably trained by the military and may be opposed to the protests. Others may be wary of transmitting because they are worried about who might be listening.

The bottom line: It won't be until this uprising is over

that we might find out if ham radio really played any part

in the information flow out of Egypt. That is, if we ever

really do, find out.

(Various sources)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: ARISSAT-1 NOW ON THE ISS

ARISSAT-1 is now safely on board the International Space Station and is being made ready for deployment.

The new ham radio bird made its trip to the I-S-S on-board a Russian Soyuz-U rocket carrying a Progress cargo vehicle that was launched from the Baikonur Cosmodrome in Kazakhstan. The Progress main cargo was

fuel, oxygen, food and other supplies for the space station. It docked with the space station at 8:39 Central Standard Time on Saturday, January 29th.

ARISSAT-1 is scheduled to be hand-launched during a spacewalk on February 16th. It features a new software defined transponder that will allow simultaneous FM, CW and BPSK transmissions on 2 meters. It also carries a traditional Mode U/V transponder that uses 70 centimeters as an uplink and 2 meters down to hams on the ground.

More information on ARISSAT-1 is available at the AMSAT North America website. It's in cyberspace at tinyurl.com/78nmh. (ANS, ARISSAT)

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RESCUE RADIO: AUSTRALIAN HAMS READY FOR CYCLONE YASI

Australian hams have been keeping in touch via High Frequency radio and keeping a vital link alive during the passage of one of the more fierce and expansive tropical cyclones to hit the North East coast of Australia in recent times. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bruce Tennent, K6PZW, has the details:

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Severe tropical cyclone Yasi, named by the Regional Specialist Meteorological Center at Nadi, Fiji, tracked from its breeding ground east of Vanuatu to make landfall on Australias far North Queensland Coast, during late Wednesday, February 2nd.

According to a report from Gavin Reibelt, VK4ZZ, in Townsville, North Queensland, the storm system was so vast that it affected communities along a 900 kilometer stretch of coast from Cooktown to Mackay and 500 kilometers inland to the cities of Croydon, Richmond, Charters Towers and Clermont.

A storm surge forecast of between 3 and 5 meters along with high seas forced the evacuation of many coastal facilities such as nursing homes, caravan parks and low lying residential areas.

VK4ZZ says that a massive effort on Tuesday February 1st was undertaken at construction sites, business areas, government centres, tourist facilities and farms to secure everything to prevent the incidence of flying debris during the onset of hurricane force winds.

Schools in most areas affected were closed on Wednesday and Thursday, with only those not damaged by the passage of Yasi scheduled to reopen on Friday.

VK4ZZ says that while making sure that their families and houses were safe, radio amateurs within the warning area and across the country kept in touch via HF Radio. They kept a listening watch on Queensland WICEN frequency of 7.075 MHz and regular contact via the morning Gnarly Net on 3.600 MHz and the afternoon Friendly Net on 7.115 MHz. These

regular contacts kept the communication lines open just in case the well engineered cyclone rated commercial telecommunication networks failed. Operators also maintained operations on VHF and UHF during the phenomenal weather conditions.

A number of Radio Amateurs who are members of the Australian Defense Force have been involved with flood relief operations during the previous weeks. VK4ZZ says that they are now assisting with the relief effort following the passage of tropical cyclone Yasi.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, Im Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, in Los Angeles.

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Radio Amateurs living in the disaster area are now picking up the pieces, getting their stations back up and running as the cyclone season in Northern Australia is not over until the end of April and there might be another call to action during the months ahead. (VK4ZZ)

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RESCUED RADIO RELIC: ANTIQUE RADIO FOUND IN VK FLOOD DEBRIS

Still from down-under, Radio 4BC in Brisbane along with The Toowoomba Chronicle say that among the tones of flood debris, Lockyer Valley resident Howard Reck thinks he has stumbled across someone's family heirloom. Three days after the region was hit by floodwater, Reck found what he believed to be a World War II or Korean War antique radio, 30 kilometres downstream from Grantham.

peaking on 4BC he explained how it looked like one of those big units seen in the Mash TV show, but has a Polish name engraved at same stage on the rear of the metal cabinet. If you are the item's rightful owner, and can provide information about its special markings, contact Chronicle reporter Anthea Gleeson by e-mail to anthea (dot) Gleeson (at) thechronicle (dot) com (dot) au.

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RESCUE RADIO: HAM RADIO VS. THE SHOWS OF 2011

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AUDIO: CHIPPING ICE
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That's the sound of one Amateur Radio Operator trying to clear a path on his driveway so he can head down to the local Emergency Operations Center. Hams from Texas to New England were put on alert this week as a massive winter storm swept across the country covering everything with 2 inches of ice and nearly two feet of snow. Chicago, Michigan and Northern Indiana got over 20 inches of snow in 24 hours as blizzard conditions made travel difficult. Thousands were left without power for several days as crews repaired power lines pulled down by the weight of

ice and strong winter winds.

Amateur radio operators reported bent antenna elements and high S-W-R from the thick ice coating as they began to report local storm damage to various Emergency Operations Centers.

In Chicago, hours after the snow stopped falling traffic ground to a halt. The iconic Lake Shore drive had over 200 cars, trucks and buses stuck and abandoned.

Across central Indiana and western Ohio a think layer of ice covered roads and sidewalks making travel almost impossible. Most schools and business were closed as State Emergency Management Officials asked residents to "just stay home".

By the weekend, temperatures continued to drop and most people found it impossible to chip or scrape they way clear of the think icy build up.

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Audio: Scraping
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Winter weary residents are just hoping for an early spring.

Reporting for Amateur Radio Newsline, this is Jack Parker, W8ISH.

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the N6KRV repeater of the Sequoia Amateur Radio Group of Lake Isabella, California.

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RESCUE RADIO: FCC TAKES ANOTHER STEP TOWARD NATIONWIDE INTEROPERABLE RADIO SYSTEM

The Federal Communications Commission has adopted a Third Report and Order and Fourth Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking that it says will significantly advance communications interoperability for our Nation's first responders. Amateur Radio Newsline's Mark Abramovich, NT3V, is here with the details:

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The rules adopted and those proposed in the January 25th Order and Fourth Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking support the build out of robust, dedicated and secure mobile broadband networks specifically for rescue radio service. The FCC says that these will enable public safety

broadband users to share information, videos, photos and emails across departments and jurisdictions nationwide for day-to-day operations and during large-scale emergencies.

The Order and Fourth Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking requires all 700 MHz public safety mobile broadband networks to use a common air interface called Long Term Evolution or LTE. This to support roaming and interoperable communications, The NPRM seeks comment on additional rules to enable nationwide interoperability.

The FCC says that its action builds on the technical requirements that state and local 700 MHz broadband waiver recipients are already subject to in the early buildout of their regional public safety broadband networks.

The Fourth Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking seeks public comment on, among other things the architectural vision of the network; the effectiveness of open standards; interconnectivity between networks; network robustness and resiliency along with several other key points. The deadlines for public comments and reply comments on the Fourth Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking are 45 days and 75 days, respectively, after publication in the Federal Registry.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Mark Abramowicz, NT3V, in Philadelphia.

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More on this one as a downloadable Word file is at tinyurl.com/interoperableradio (FCC, CGC)

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RESCUE RADIO: FCC SEEKS COMMENTS ON ARIEL COMMUNICATIONS ARCHITECTURES

The FCC's Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau is seeking comment regarding the creation of low-altitude aerial telecommunications architectures. Ones that are accessible, reliable, resilient, cost-effective and secure. They also have to be systems which are capable of providing public safety and emergency response personnel the capability to communicate during the critical restoration period after a major disaster over a multitude of communications platforms. These might include High Frequency, UHF and VHF two-way radio, cellular telephones, the Internet, and satellite circuits.

Specifically being looked at are such aerial telecommunications architectures such as unmanned aerial vehicles or balloon mounted or unmounted systems. These are believed to be communications platforms that can be rapidly deployed to an area within the first few hours after major natural disasters or terrorist attacks. As such, the Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau is seeking comment on the means of coordinating and managing such solutions before and during deployment, what public safety agencies may be involved in the

operations of such systems or those who own communications operations that may be adversely impacted by such systems.

This inquiry has been designated as PS Docket No. 11-15. Interested parties may file comments to it on or before February 28th. More details on PS Docket No. 11-15 is on line also as a downloadable Word file at tinyurl.com/4agoxg2

(FCC, CGC)

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ENFORCEMENT: UNLICENSED CALIFORNIA BROADCASTER WARNED OFF THE AIR BY FCC

The Los Angeles Office of the Federal Communications Commission has issued a Notice of Unlicensed Operation to Robert Gwynne of Covina, California. This, after confirming that an unlicensed broadcast radio station on 107.9 MHz was allegedly operating from his residence.

According to the FCC, its records show that no license was issued for operation of a broadcast station at this location on 107.9 MHz in Covina, California. Based on this the regulatory agency told Gwynne in its January 12th notification that this unlicensed operation must be discontinued immediately.

The FCC also warned Gwynne that the operation of radio transmitting equipment without a valid radio station authorization constitutes a violation of the Federal law. As such it could subject the operator of an illegal station to severe penalties, including fines, seizure of transmitting equipment and criminal sanctions including imprisonment. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC CITES COMPANY OVER SALE OF CELLPHONE JAMMERS

The FCC has issued an Official Citation to DeadlyDeal.com. This based on allegations that between August 25, 2008 and January 16, 2010 the company offered for sale a cellular telephone jamming device called the Blocker.

While DeadlyDeal.com says that it no longer offers these devices to its clientel, the FCC states that even the manufacturing or importation of such units to United States shores is a direct violation of its rules. This is because jamming devices cannot be certified or authorized because the main purpose of a jamming device is to block or interfere with radio communications.

In its communication the FCC warns DeadlyDeal.com that if after receipt of the Citation that should the company violate the Communications Act or the FCC's Rules that the regulatory agency can impose monetary forfeitures of up to $16,000 for each such violation or each day of a continuing violation and up to $112,500 for any single act or failure

to act. In addition, violations of the Communications Act or the Rules can result in seizure of equipment as well as criminal sanctions, including time behind prison bars.

Deadly Deal was given 30 days following the Janyary 26th date of the Citations release to respond either through a personal interview at the closest FCC office, or by filing a written statement with the agency.

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RADIO ON THE WEB: WWW.RADIOSHACKCATALOGS.COM

Want to spend some time strolling vicariously through the history of the electronics retailing? Now you can thanks to a website called RadioShackCatalogs.com.

The site contains catalogs for the company that date all the way back to 1939. Each one is animated in a way that a click of your mouse lets you turn the pages or zoom in to see that special part ofd item that evokes a memory of days gone by. The site also has the complete history of the company along with the story of how in 1963, Charles Tandy purchased Radio Shack Corporation when it was on the verge of bankruptcy for only $300,000 and built it into the mega corporation it is today.

Whether or not you are a fan of Radio Shack you will likely get a thrill of this trip back in time. You will find it at www.RadioShackCatalogs.com on the World Wide Web. (K3MSB)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: RADIO RECORD OF 2317 KM ON 2.4 GHZ ACROSS THE TASMAN SEA

A new distance record has been set between Steve Hayman, ZL1TPH, and Adrian Pollock, VK4OX. This for the first trans-Tasman Sea contact on 13 Centimeters over a path of 2317 Kilometers. That's 1439 miles on a band considered totally line of sight.

ZL1TPH lives in Orewa, New Zealand. He was running 80 to 100 watts at the feed of a 1 meter dish. VK4OX was in Bald Knob, Queensland, Australia pushing only about 20 watts to the feed of a 24 dBi Gridpack antenna about 9 meters off the ground.

Only a few years ago a contact such as this would likely not have been possible. Today's technology has made it so. (ZL4PLM via ZL2BHF)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: W2UDT NAMED ARRL HUDSON DIV VICE DIRECTOR

ARRL President Kay Craigie, N3KN, has appointed William Hudzik, W2UDT, of Gillette, New Jersey, to serve as Vice Director of the League's Hudson Division for the remainder of the current term that expires January 1, 2013.

Hudzik is a Senior Engineering Aide and Project Manager for Morris County, New Jersey. His wife Maryann is Morris County Superior Court judge.

Hudzik fills the vacancy created when Frank Fallon, N2FF, retired from the ARRL Board of Directors after more than 14 years of service. As reported last week, ARRL Hudson Division Vice Director, Joyce Birmingham, KA2ANF, assumed the Director position when Fallon tendered his resignation from the post. (ARRL)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: 741 QSL CARDS SO FAR TO CELEBRATE W0GFQ 100TH BIRTHDAY - MORE WANTED

And Quarter Century Wireless Association President Bob Roske, N0UF, reports that as of February 2nd, the request to have hams worldwide send 100th birthday greeting QSL cards to World Radio Labs founder Leo Meyerson, W0GFQ, has so far brought 741 responses from the amateur radio community. Meyerson who celebrates his personal centenary later this month will have this event celebrated on February 24th by QCWA Chapter 154 in West Palm Springs, California. If you have not done so already, please take a moment, write the words Happy Birthday Leo, and mail it to Leo Meyerson, W0GFQ, 19 Park Lane, Rancho Mirage, California, 92270. We are 100 percent certain that Leo will enjoy hearing from you. (N0UF)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: VIDEO DNA MAY PUT AN END TO MOVIE PIRACY

Video pirates beware. A new system called Video DNA may land you behind prison bars. Amateur Radio Newsline's Frank Haas, KB4T, has more:

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Three Israeli researchers have come up with what they believe to be a sure fire way to end video piracy. Dr. Alex Bronstein working with his twin brother Michael and Israeli researcher Proffessor Ron Kimmel, has developed a way of treating video footage like DNA.

Dr. Bronstein who is with of Tel Aviv University's Department of Electrical Engineering says that it is not only members of the animal and plant kingdom that can have DNA. He says if a DNA test can identify

and catch criminals, his group believes that a similar code might be applicable to video. Then if the code were copied and changed, it would be obvious to law enforcement.

As video does not have a real genetic code like members of the animal kingdom, Dr. Bronstein and his team created a DNA equivalent that can be applied to video files. The result is a unique DNA fingerprint for each individual movie anywhere on the planet. When scenes are altered, colors changed, or film is bootlegged on a camera at the movie theatre, the film can be tracked and traced on the Internet. And says Dr. Bronstein, like the films, the video thieves themselves can be tracked and caught.

I'm Frank Haas, KB4T.

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If the entertainment industry adopts this new video DNA codeing, it could mean that a lot of video pirate could eventually be looking at the world from the other side of prison bars. (adapted from Science Daily)

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: SMARTER ID TAGS THAT USE LESS ENERGY

Researcher Bjorn Nilsson's research has developed a system that makes RFID tagging technology even more effective and more energy efficient. Nillson has come up with a new protocol or rules for communication between readers and tags that use less energy and permit reader unit batteries last longer. This means that it is now possible to produce simpler and cheaper tags.

Today's active tags have been relatively limited since they have been energy-consuming and expensive to produce. There has long been a demand for more energy efficient tags with a longer lifespan. There's also the quirk that if multiple tags pass a reader at the same time, it might be that all tags are not read. But with Nilsson's protocol tags cannot interrupt one another leading to greater accuracy.

The next step is to develop an active tag with a single circuit and Nilsson is already working on this. Together with his colleague Emil Nilsson at Halmstad University, he is running a project where Bj"rn's job is to see to it that readers and tags communicate with each other, while Emil is developing the electronics to make it all more efficient.

RFID tags are found on numerous items in a great number of different areas where someone wants to trace, identify, and store information. Its believed that industries such as logistics, transportation, and animal husbandry can be made considerably more efficient with the aid of Nillsson's more modern tags. (VHF Reflector, KB9TVD)

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: THE VALUE OF SCIENCE IN THE PUBLIC RYE

Still with emerging technology, most US citizens value the nation's scientific achievements, but unlike most scientists, they often pick and choose which scientific findings they agree with. This, according to a recent survey conducted by the famed Pew Research Center.

The center conducted the wide-ranging telephone survey in collaboration with the American Association for the Advancement of Science. The research included responses from 2,533 scientists in the American Association for the Advancement of Science, and 2,001 public respondents.

Among the findings it was noted that while nearly 9 out of 10 scientists accept the idea of evolution by natural selection, only a third of the public does. And while 84 percent of scientists say the Earth is getting warmer because of human activity, less than half of the public agrees with that. Also, although 27 percent of Americans said scientific advances are the nation's greatest achievement, that was down from 47 percent in the group's May 1999 survey.

According to the survey, most scientists and the public agree it is appropriate for scientists to take part in political debate over issues such as stem cell research. And even Americans who disagree with scientific conclusions think highly of scientists. (Adapted from Science OnLine)

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RADIO IN SPACE: THE NEW LONG WAVELEGNTH ARRAY

Whats being termed as an innovative new radio telescope array is now under construction in central New Mexico. One that will eventually harness the power of more than 13,000 antennas and provide a fresh eye to the sky.

This antenna farm will form what is being called the Long Wavelength Array. This is a radio telescope designed to survey the sky from horizon to horizon over a wide range of frequencies in the High Frequency spectrum from 20 to 80 MHz.

The first station in the Long Wavelength Array, with 256 antennas, is scheduled to start surveying the sky by this summer. When complete, the entire system will consist of 53 station locations, with a total of 13,000 antennas strategically placed in an area nearly 248 miles in diameter.

The overall receiving system is expected to provide sensitive, high-resolution images of a region of the sky hundreds of times larger than that of a full moon. Investigators believe that these images could reveal radio signals coming from planets outside our solar system, and thus would turn out to be a new way to detect these worlds. In addition to planets, the telescope will hopefully reveal a host of other cosmic phenomena.

The University of New Mexico is the lead researcher in this project,. NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, California is providing the advanced digital electronic systems, which represent a major component of the observatory. (Adapted from Space Daily)

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ON THE AIR: W4H CELEBRATES THE 6th ANNUAL GREAT HAMFEST OF THE NORTH

On the air, members of the Caribbean Amateur Radio Group have activated the special event call W4H and will be on the air with it through February 11th. This, as part of the 6th Great Hamfest of the North, which was to be held on Sunday, February 6th at the Coliseum of the city of Hatillo, Puerto Rico. Modes being used are RTTY, PSK31 and SSTV. QSL information is on line at QRZ.com (WP3GW}

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DX

In DX, KA1YMX stroke 8 P will be active from Barbados while on vacation between February 26th and March 5th. His operation will be on CW and SSB using an Elecraft K 2. No other details are available. QSL via his home callsign.

G3RWF will be active as 5X1NH from Fort Portal in western Uganda between February 20th and April 14th. He prefers to operate CW but plans to also be on the Digital modes with some SSB on all bands except 160 meters QSL via his home callsign or electronically using Logbook of the World.

Finally, PE1KL and PA2LS will be operational as 9G5LK near the village of Ampenyi, Ghana between April 28th and May 6th. Their activity will be on 80 through 10 meters using SSB, PSK31 and RTTY. QSL via PA2LS.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: SPAM BROADBAND MESSAGE BLOWS UP SUICIDE TERRORIST

And finally this week, proof positive that spam e-mail to a cellular telephone can be deadly. This is especially true if you happen to be a negligent terrorist with little knowledge of radio. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, is in our Newsroom with the rather bizarre details:

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What Russia's security calls a "Black Widow" suicide bomber who was apparently planning a terrorist attack in central Moscow on New Year's Eve was killed before she could blow herself up. This after an unexpected text message set off her bomb too early. The unnamed woman is thought to have been part of the same group that recently struck Moscow's Domodedovo airport. She apparently intended to detonate a suicide belt in a busy area near Red Square on New Year's Eve in an

attack that could have killed hundreds. But security sources believe a spam message from her mobile phone operator wishing her a happy new year received just hours before the planned attack triggered her suicide belt, killing her but nobody else. According to the UK newspaper the Telegraph, the woman was at her Moscow safe house at the time getting ready with two accomplices. Both of them survived and were seen fleeing the scene. The newspaper says that Islamist terrorists in Russia often use cheap unused wireless mobile phones as detonators. The phones are usually kept switched off until the very last minute. But in this case, Russian security sources believe the terrorists were negligent and left this one turned on. That carelessness on the terror group's part likely saved many, many innocent lives.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the Newsroom in Los Angeles.
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According to the newspaper, Russian security sources believe the new year's eve bomber and the airport bombers may have been members of a suicide squad trained in al-Qaeda strongholds in Pakistan and sent to the Russian capital last December to target the city's transportation system. (UK Telegraph)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

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GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 6th February 2011

The news headlines:

Kuwaiti amateurs to use special prefix

Medium wave tests from the US

Canada Games special prefix

Look for amateur radio operators in Kuwait using the special prefix 9K50 until 28 February. Activity is to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Kuwait's independence. Also, 9K50NLD will be on the air between 24 and 28 February. Activity will be from the members of the Kuwait Amateur Radio Society.

If you are an SWL or an amateur with a good medium wave receiver, on Saturday 12 February at 0700 and 0800UTC, radio station KHMO on 1070kHz in Missouri will conduct a DX test for SWLs worldwide. The test will be with Morse code, sweep tones and voice announcements. Transmissions will be made for five minutes at 0700 at 5kW into the station's three-tower, day antenna pattern. At 0800 they will transit the same material at 1kW using the six-tower, night time pattern. Then from 0900 to 1000UTC, WLIQ on 1530kHz in Illinois will conduct a DX test of its own. WLIQ will test for twenty minutes using Morse code, sweep tones, voice announcement, special music, sound bites and the like at its 1.4kW, non-directional, day power. Then WLIQ will test for twenty minutes at 290W non-directional, critical hours power. Finally, for the last twenty minutes of the hour, they will test at 3W, non-directional, night power. If you would like to receive a QSL you can send a written report, or a cassette or CD to the Chief Engineer of these stations by following the rules and sending reports to Gary Glaenzer, c/o the name of the station whose DX test your are reporting, 325 East Douglas Avenue, Jacksonville, Illinois 62650. For more information, type KHMO February DX tests into your favourite search engine.

Amateur radio operators in the Province of Nova Scotia will be permitted to use special prefixes CJ1 and CK1 throughout the month of February to celebrate the 2011 Canada Games to be held in Halifax. VA1 stations will be allowed to use the special prefix CJ1, while VE1 stations will use the special prefix CK1.

The BBC has confirmed plans to close five of its 32 World Service language services. The Macedonian, Albanian and Serbian services will be

axed, as will English for the Caribbean and Portuguese for Africa. The World Service will also cease short wave transmission of six more services in March 2011, these will be Hindi, Indonesian, Kyrgyz, Nepali, Swahili and the Great Lakes service for Rwanda and Burundi.

The T32C Five Star DXers Association DXpedition to Kiritimati in the Northern Line Islands between 28 September and 26 October has announced the winner of the sponsored young operator position with the team. Michael Zurch, DG1CMZ is an experienced contest and DXpedition operator and is currently working towards a PhD at the University of Jena.

Amateur radio repeaters GB3NL and GB3LV, both located in north London, have been returned to service after a brief outage. The two repeaters, which are co-sited at Enfield Civic Centre, had been off air following a power outage in Enfield. IRLP node 5600 and Echolink node 155403, which both operate via GB3LV on 70cm, are also working again.

Following a successful launch on 28 January, the ARISSat-1 satellite has arrived at the International Space Station. Due to the newly announced launch date of shuttle flight STS-133, the space walk to deploy ARISSat-1 has been moved up to 16 February. The satellite contains a software defined transponder that will provide a 70cm up, 2m down service plus a range of telemetry, FM, CW and BPSK transmissions. Details of the mission are at www.arissat1.org.

As part of the Midland Amateur Radio Society's 80th anniversary celebration, an award is being issued to amateurs who work/hear a certain number of MARS members during 2011. Full details on QRZ.COM under GX3MAR.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

The 26th Canvey Radio & Electronics Rally will take place today, 6 February, at The Paddocks, Long Road, Canvey Island, Essex SS8 0JA. This is at the southern end of the A130. There is free car parking and the doors open at 10.30. Admission to the rally is ?2 and refreshments will be available. More details from Dave, G4UVJ, on 01268 697 978 in the evenings.

Also today, 6 February, the Radio-Active Rally will be held in the Civic Hall, Nantwich, Cheshire CW5 5DG. Doors open at 10.30am and there will be a Bring & Buy. More details from Simon Chettle G8ATB, on 01270 841506.

or for any other information contact Hugh Kernohan, GI0JEV, on 0282 587 1481.

The Harwell Radio and Electronics Rally will take place on 13 February at Didcot Leisure Centre, Mereland Road, Didcot OX11 8AY. Talk in will be on S22 and car parking is free. Entrance is ?2.50 and accompanied under 12s are free. Doors open at 10.30am and there will be trade stands, special interest groups and refreshments available. Details from Ann, G8NVI on 01235 816379.

The Northern Cross Rally returns to its former home at Thornes Park Sports Centre, Horbury Road, Wakefield, WF2 8TY on Sunday 13 February. There is plenty of parking, an RSGB Bookstall and all the usual traders. There will also be several club and group stands. Refreshments are available on site at reasonable prices and admission is ?3. Doors open at 10.30am with disabled access from 10.15. Bring & Buy Booking In is also from 1015. More information from www.northerncrossrally.org or contact Ken Quinn, 2E0SSQ on 07 900 563 117.

Now for the news of special events

GB1OOD, Golf Bravo 1 Oscar Oscar Delta, has been issued as a special event callsign by Ofcom for all of 2011. It will be used throughout the year to celebrate the 100 years of the Derby Wireless Club, the oldest continually active local wireless club, now incorporated within Derby and District Amateur Radio Society. Until 25 March the station will be operating from the Silk Mill Museum located in the City Centre of Derby alongside the River Derwent. The station will have restricted operation due to the museums opening hours and so will be on the air mostly at weekends. QSL information as on QRZ.Com.

North Cork Radio Group will be active using the call EI1NC/P on 19 and 20 February from the Blackrock Castle Observatory. Operations will be from 1000 to 1700UTC both days. The venue is a 16th century castle, located 4km from the heart of Cork city on the banks of the river Lee. The Castle has seen many uses in its long history and now houses an observatory.

And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

IK1PMR and PA3LEO are now operational portable EA8 from the Canary Islands. They will be there until 8 March but their activity on the air will be holiday style on 160 through 6 meters. QSL via PA3LEO or Logbook of the World.

Andrew, G7COD, a member of the Yorkshire Dales Contest Group will be operational every day from Embudu Island in Kaafu Atoll the Maldives, which is IOTA AS-013, using the call 8Q7AK until 18 February. He will be using SSB and CW on the 80 to 10 metre bands including WARC frequencies. For comprehensive details of operating times, suggested frequencies and QSL information etc, please check 8Q7AK on QRZ.COM and www.8q7ak.freewebspace.com.

Look for 3B8/SP2JMB and 3B8/SP2FUD from the Island of Mauritius until 24 February. They will be operational using CW, SSB and RTTY. From 18 to 22 February they plan to do a side trip to Rodrigues Island, which is IOTA AF-017, where the prefix in their calls will change to 3B9.

During a holiday in the Dominican Republic, Claudio, HB9OAU plans to operate as HI7/ HB9OAU until 18 February. If he can manage one-day trips to some of the offshore islands he will put on HI2/HB9OAU from IOTA NA-122.

Now the contest news

The 70cm AFS contest takes place today, Sunday 6 February, between 0900 and 1300UTC. During the first decade of the 2000s this contest generally attracted about 30 entries per year, but in 2010 participation surged to 63. Now that it is the final match in the new Super League series, it will be interesting to discover what effect that has on participation. Using all modes, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

February is the second month of the 2011 80m Club Championship series. As is traditional, the mode sequence is rotated each month, so this month we have SSB on the 7th between 2000 and 2130UTC. The exchange is signal report and serial number.

The 432MHz UK Activity Contest takes place on 8 February from 2000 to 2230UTC. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The First 1.8MHz Contest takes place for four hours on the evening of the 12th between 2100 and 0100UTC on the 13th. This used to be a CW-only event, but it now contains CW, SSB and mixed mode sections. Exchange a signal report, serial number and District code, which are the first two letters of your postcode. Postcodes that begin with a single letter, for example S for Sheffield are padded out to two letters. A full list of District codes can be found in the RSGB Yearbook or on the Contest Committee website.

Over the full 48 hours of the weekend of 12-13th the CQWW WPX RTTY contest will keep the data portions of the bands busy. Exchange a signal report and serial number. Multi-two and multi-multi entrants use separate serial number sequences per band, while all others use just the one. In parallel with it the CW and SSB portions of the bands will also be busy, because the PACC (VERON) contest takes place for 24 hours. Send a signal report and serial number, but expect to receive a report and a 2-letter Province code from Dutch stations.

And now the solar factual data for the period from the 24th to the 30th of January, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on the 31st of January.

The latest smoothed monthly sunspot numbers are available and for April, May and June 2010 are 14, 15.5 and 16.4 respectively.

This week, solar activity increased to moderate levels when a rather unexpected M1 solar flare took place on the 28th. A sunspot group that produced a C1 solar flare on the 24th rotated out of view on the 28th, in the process it produced the first M class solar flare since the 6th of November last year. In total, five C class solar flares took place during the period. Solar flux levels remained almost stationary at 81 units every day except for the 26th, which only declined one unit, and the 30th when it increased to 83. The 90 day solar flux average on the 30th was yet again at 84 units. X-ray flux levels showed little variation day to day and averaged A6.6 units. Geomagnetic activity was very quiet every day, the highest daily figure was only Ap 4 units. The average was Ap 3 units. So far in January, up to the 30th, there was

only one day when the Ap index was in double figures, that was the 7th with an Ap index of 11 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds decline from 410 kilometres per second on the 24th to a very slow 270 kilometres per second by the 30th. Particle densities were low except for a brief increase to 17 particles per cubic centimetre on the 25th and another brief increase to 15 particles per cubic centimetre on the 28th. As a result of a quiet magnetic field Bz showed only modest variations of no more than minus and plus 6 nanoTeslas throughout the period.

And now the solar forecast. This week solar activity is expected to be at very low levels. There is a chance however that activity could increase to low on the odd day. Solar flux levels should be around the 80 mark or slightly above for most of the week. Geomagnetic activity is expected to be quiet every day. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 23MHz for the south and 20MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be about 8MHz. Paths this week to the west coast of North America and California should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 17MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 13MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 1600 and 1800 hours. This is a difficult path to work with the path getting close to the polar region and subject to attenuation. You may find that the path does not open at all on some days.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including e-mail addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS

On Monday 7 February Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is having more thoughts about aerials by Tom, G3XMM. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548478, daytime.

On Monday 7 February South Birmingham Radio Society is reviewing equipment for field days. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Monday 7 February South Normanton Alfreton & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by Mike Jeffs on surface mount components and soldering. Details from A Lawrence, 2E0BQS, by email to adylawri@btinternet.com.

On Tuesday 8 February Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to

radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 8 February Eagle Radio Group is having a talk on Coastwatch by Pauline, G7UXI. Details from Terry, G0SWS, on 01507 478590.

On Tuesday 8 February Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club invites members to bring in unfinished projects. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Wednesday 9 February Hinckley Amateur Radio Society is having part two of the magloop workshop with John Rogers, M0JAV. Details from John, M0JAV, on 07836 731544.

On Wednesday 9 February Lincoln Short-Wave Club is having a talk on the future of amateur radio by RSGB President Dave Wilson, M0OBW. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

On Wednesday 9 February Midland Amateur Radio Society is holding training classes and a committee meeting. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 01214 229 787.

On Wednesday 9 February Telford & District Amateur Radio Society has its under ?5 construction competition. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday 10 February Lincoln Short-Wave Club celebrates its 90th birthday. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

On Thursday 10 February South Birmingham Radio Society is having training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Friday 11 February Coventry Amateur Radio Society is closed. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777363.

On Friday 11 February Nunsfield House Amateur Radio Group is erecting its wire antenna. Details from Ken Frankcom, G3OCA, on 01332 720976.

On Friday 11 February South Birmingham Radio Society is having a construction evening. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Saturday 12 February Lincoln Short-Wave Club is putting G5FZ on the air and working around the shack. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND

On Monday 7 February Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having a social evening and club contest night. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 7 February Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night and is on the air. Contact Colin Hirst, G0EPY, by email to colmay@sky.com.

On Tuesday 8 February Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is starting the development of the new UHF project and continuing with Foundation and Intermediate training. Contact Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341317.

On Tuesday 8 February Otley Amateur Radio Society is having a DXpedition presentation. Contact Paul, 2E0PAK, on 07768 996370.

On Thursday 10 February Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on the Wensleydale Railway. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 0787 608 5631.

On Thursday 10 February South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having an update on TV technology including HD, 3D, and internet TV by Chris, G3ZDM. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 0161 969 3999.

On Thursday 10 February Wakefield & District Radio Society has its pre-rally meeting. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563117.

On Saturday 12 February Wakefield & District Radio Society continues its Intermediate and Advanced courses and is setting up for the Northern Cross Rally. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563117.

On Sunday 13 February Wakefield & District Radio Society is running the Northern Cross Rally at Thornes' Park Sports Centre, Wakefield, WF2 8TY. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563117.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND

On Monday 7 February Greenisland Electronics Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on data modes by Gi4FUE. Details from Mi5JYK, by e-mail to mi5jyk@rsgb.org.uk.

On Friday 11 February Ballymena Amateur Radio Group is having a bring and buy sale at Ahoghill Community Centre. Contact Hugh Kernohan, GI0JEV, on 028 2587 1481.

Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club will run an Intermediate course and examination in SHARE over the three weekends of 12 and 13, 19 and 20, and 26 and 27 February. This resumes the course begun in November but abandoned in December's sever weather. For more information please contact Michael Clarke by email to mi5mtc@learc.eu.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND

Glenrothes and District Amateur Radio Club has changed its venue for the time being. Starting from Wednesday 2 February the club is now meeting at the 1370 Sqd ATC, Brewery Wynd, North Street, Leven KY8 4LX. The move is due to the previous venue being damaged by the recent cold weather.

On Tuesday 8 February Kilmarnock & Loudoun Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by GM0ONX, considering whether PLT is it as bad as they say. Contact Graham, MM3GDC, by email to mm3gdc@btinternet.com.

On Tuesday 8 February Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having an operating evening. Details from Norman, on 07740 946192.

On Wednesday 9 February Ayr Amateur Radio Group is having a presentation on the history of Scottish railways. Details from Tom Ferguson, GM1OST, on 01292 532 088.

On Wednesday 9 February Lothians Radio Society is having a talk on the RSGB National Radio Centre, Bletchley Park by Angus Annan, MM1CCR. Contact Andy Sinclair, by email to lrs_secretary@moosedata.com.

On Wednesday 9 February West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society is having licence training and homebrew projects by the Solder Group. More information from Fred Coombes, 2M0BIN, on 01415 715512.

On Thursday 10 February Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is on the air and having Morse practice. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663.

On Friday 11 February Borders Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on HF antennas for DX by Cliff, G3YOG. Details from Danny, 2M0CDO, on 01890 882850.

On Friday 11 February West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society is having presentations, guest speakers, a quiz and a raffle. More information from Fred Coombes, 2M0BIN, on 01415 715512.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA

On Sunday 6 February Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is attending the Canvey Island Rally. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Sunday 6 February South Essex Amateur Radio Society is holding the Canvey Rally, Paddocks, Canvey Island. Contact Norman, M0FZW, on 01268 692776.

On Sunday 6 February Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club has its breakfast meeting in Goring. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816684.

On Monday 7 February Braintree & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on HF data on the air by Richard, 2E0XRS. For more information contact John, M5AJB, on 01787 460 947.

On Monday 7 February Burnham Beeches Radio Club is having a talk on the IC-7800 by Andy, M0YGB. Contact Dave, G4XDU, on 01628 625 720.

On Monday 7 February Felixtowe & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on homebrew digital TV by Jason, G7OCD. More information from Paul, G4YQC, by email to pjw@btinternet.com.

On Monday 7 February Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the RSGB SSB Club Contest. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898678.

On Monday 7 February Southdown Amateur Radio Society is hearing a history of crystals in radio. Details from John, G3DQY, on 01424 424 319.

On Monday 7 February Southdown Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by John Flude entitled clouds to rain. Details from John, G3DQY, on 01424

424 319.

On Monday 7 February Surrey Radio Contact Club has the Sid Morley Memorial. Contact John, G3MCX, on 020 8688 3322.

On Tuesday 8 February Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720815.

On Tuesday 8 February Harwell Amateur Radio Society is holding its construction contest. Contact Malcolm, G8NRP, on 01235 524844.

On Wednesday 9 February Harwich Amateur Radio Interest Group is having a practical evening on operating modes. Details from Kevan, 2E0WMG, on 07766 543784.

On Wednesday 9 February Havering & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on receiver building blocks by Ollie, G3TPJ. Contact John, M0UKD, on 07817 365354.

On Wednesday 9 February Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by G3LDI on operating procedures and ethics on HF, VHF, DX and contests. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898678.

On Wednesday 9 February South Essex Amateur Radio Society is having a humorous look at the internet with Vic, G6BHE. Contact Norman, M0FZW, on 01268 692776.

On Wednesday 9 February Southgate Amateur Radio Club is looking at the RadCom archive CDs of Graeme, G8DVJ. Contact David Sharp, M0XDS, by email to david.sharp1@tesco.net.

On Wednesday 9 February Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk about film making on the South Coast by Trevor Povey. More information from Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816684.

On Thursday 10 February Bittern DX Group is having an informal meeting. Details from Linda, G0AJJ, on 01692 404154.

On Thursday 10 February Echelford Amateur Radio Society has a bring & buy, CW practice and a natter night. Contact John, G4GSC, on 01784 451898.

On Thursday 10 February Edgware & District Radio Society is watching part 1 of The Secret Wireless War. More information from Mike, G4RNW, on 0208 950 0658.

On Thursday 10 February Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on data modes. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564242.

On Thursday 10 February Reading & District Amateur Radio Club is having World War II military radios on show and demo.. Details from Pete, G8FRC, on 01189 695 697.

On Thursday 10 February Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society's construction competition winner will be giving a talk. Details from

David, G8UOD, on 01234 742 757.

On Friday 11 February Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club is looking at Morse for all abilities. Details from Ron Huntsman, on 012233 501712.

On Friday 11 February Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on Worked All Britain by Marc Litchman, G0TOC. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 020 8502 1645.

On Friday 11 February Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by Graham Somerville of bhi. Contact Peter, G4AKG, on 01444 239371.

On Friday 11 February Wimbledon & District Amateur Radio Society is running its Foundation course and is on the air. Contact Andrew Maish, G4ADM, on 020 8335 3434.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST

There is a vacancy for an RSGB DRM in Region 11. Volunteers must live in Devon, have a phone and a computer with internet access. Could anyone interested please contact Pam Helliwell, G7SME, by email to G7SME@rsgb.org.uk. Please send your phone number so Pam can ring you to discuss the role.

On Tuesday 8 February Mid Somerset Amateur Radio Club is having part two of the talk on digital modes by Jeff, M6GLH. Contact Nick, M6NJB, on 01749 346320.

On Wednesday 9 February Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417048.

On Thursday 10 February South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is holding its mid-winter table top sale with Len, G4RZY. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695471.

On Thursday 10 February Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having a members' equipment sale. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317750.

On Friday 11 February Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES

On Monday 7 February Dragon Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by Clive Collins GW3WEQ, entitled The War after Tomorrow. More information from Stewart Rolfe, GW0ETF, on 07833 620733.

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123. SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 6 FEBRUARY 2011

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SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 6 FEBRUARY 2011

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'ARMI' and follow the links for details. PLEASE NOTE: for audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 and 3,695 MHz SSB.

In the news today:

SARL MEMBERSHIP REACHED 1 500

WHY SHOULD YOU JOIN THE SARL?

LEARNING TO PROGRAM IN WINDOWS

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting news items.

SARL MEMBERSHIP REACHED 1 500

The SARL membership reached 1 500 during the past week, the highest number it has been for many years. Welcome to all the new and rejoining members.

The lucky winners of the joining competition which ran over the Christmas period and ended on 15 January 2011 are Lucas Holtzhausen ,ZR6LH, and Stephen Waries, ZS1BSW. Congratulations. Both are the lucky winners of a 2011/2012 SARL Membership.

WHY SHOULD YOU JOIN THE SARL?

There are still many radio amateurs in South Africa who are outsiders looking in, expecting the same access to services and information as members. As one person wrote on the SARL forum this week and we quote a shortened version of what he wrote "Some of info costs money, rands and cents, mostly rands. Some non-members prefer to be non SARL members. It is their own free choice. But some of these non-members demand certain services from SARL without contributing towards the cost of these services. They demand it for free."

And that is the point of joining the SARL. For example, from membership dues the SARL pays affiliation fees to the International Radio Union supporting the efforts the IARU makes at the ITU level. It is through the collaborative efforts that we today have the 10, 18 and 24 MHz allocations and more recently the expansion of 40 metres. These efforts cost money, people have to travel to attend ITU meetings, lobby regional telecommunication organisations and attend ITU world radio conferences. It does not come for nothing.

The WRC-12 Conference Preparatory Meeting (PM) will open in Geneva in slightly more than a week. Duration will be 2 weeks. Amateur radio will be represented. The IARU will be following not only Agenda Item 1.23 (500 kHz) but also several others, which might pose a threat to our bands. The IARU delegation will also be watching the development of the draft agenda for the next WRC in 2015 or 2016.

Joining the SARL is little to pay for what is done locally and internationally to make amateur radio prosper.

This year the SARL, for the first time since the formation of the IARU in 1925, will be hosting the Region 1 triennial conference in August. Delegates representing more than 90 national societies will be in South Africa to discuss strategies to keep Amateur Radio the most exciting of all scientific hobbies. In addition the IARU Administrative Council will also meet in South Africa immediately after the Regional conference.

So if you are serious about amateur radio, join the SARL. It is now the time. Visit www.sarl.org.za to get application forms and information or call Mariska at 011 675-2393 on Monday,

LEARNING TO PROGRAM IN WINDOWS

The next course the SARL is presenting is "Learning to program in Windows. Produce your own applications in Windows to run peripherals from a USB port. The course includes a USB interface that will switch relays and read push buttons and voltages. The course will be presented by John Willescroft, ZS6EF. The first course will in Cape Town on Saturday 19 March 2011. John will teach you how to design your own shack control program with stand-alone applications. Your very own EXE files.

Registration is R350 for members and R500 for non-SARL members. Bookings are now open, so visit www.sarl.org.za , select RTA and follow the links.

GAUTENG PIC COURSE A GREAT SUCCESS

The course on learning to programme micro controllers, held at the NARC last Saturday, was a great success with very positive comments received from participants both from radio amateurs and delegates from industry.

The next PIC course will be held in Cape Town on 16 July. Unfortunately there are no further PIC courses on the schedule for 2011.

The SA Amateur Radio Development Trust has the ARRL book "PIC programming for beginners in stock. It comes with a CD containing MPLab IDE software, device documentation, video files and exercise program files. It is available by mail order at www.amateurradio.org.za, select books and follow the links.

TECHNOBYTE TODAY IS ON SELECTING THE RIGHT HEAT SINK

In Amateur Radio Today, John Willescroft, ZS6EF, will discuss how to decide on what heat sink is required for your project. Also in the programme is an interview about the SKA with Dr Bernie Fanaroff.

ANOTHER CHANCE TO ENTER THE SPACE WEEK ESSAY COMPETITION

On request from the Gauteng Department of Education the entry date for the Space Week essay competition has been extended to 31 March. The main reason is that because of the disruption in education during the second half of last year, learners had to focus on catching up on their studies, which left them very little opportunity to devote time to researching the subject and write an essay. The subject for the Essay is "If you were an astronaut on the international space station, what experiment would you like to carry out and why?" Full details on www.amsatsa.org.za.

CONTEST NEWS

The committee received 12 logs from four radio clubs for the first SARL 80 metre Club contest. The results are:

1st West Rand ARC, 152 points from 9 logs 2nd Antique Wireless Association, 46 points from 4 logs 3rd Port Elizabeth ARS, 17 points from 1 log 4th Sandton ARC, 9 points from 1 log

The SARL National Field Day will be run next weekend, 12 and 13 February with phone, CW and digital activity on 160 to 10 metres. The complete rules can be found in the 2011 SARL Contest Manual. The rules have changed, thus it is important the rules are read before the contest starts.

CLUB NEWS

The Overberg Amateur Radio Club will be operating a field station on 12 February on the farm Lochinvar just outside of Stanford. They will also be holding their AGM at the same QTH at 10:00. That evening the Loch Rock party will also take place, so it seems it is going to be a fun week end. Visitors are welcome. Contact ZS1AZ by email to andre@zs1az.co.za for more details.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is still at low levels. Sunspot 1 150 is decaying with no substitute at the moment visible. The effective sunspot number is expected to be less than 15 for the coming week.

15 m will provide the best opportunities for DX followed by 20 m. Conditions to India will be good from the afternoon till after sunset. During the afternoons conditions will be fair towards Europe on 15 m, later to be followed by fair 20 m openings. 15 m contacts with the USA are possible during the evenings. Contacts with Australia are possible on 20 m at sunrise. 15 and especially 20 m openings to Brazil and South America are possible during the afternoons. With the good 15 and 20 m openings 17 m will also be full of surprises.

For the CW and digital enthusiasts 30 m may be very rewarding with openings to many parts of the world.

Locally is 40 m the workhorse for contacts around the country with 20 and 30-m also being very useful for contacts over the longer distances. 80 m will be best during the early mornings and late afternoons as well as over the shorter distances.

80 m is the frequency of choice during the evenings.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

5-6 February - CW Activity day of the Antique Wireless Society. 12-13 February - SARL National Field Day and ZS85SARL on the air for the last time from Saturday 12:00 CAT to Sunday 12:00 CAT. 12 February - Overberg Amateur Radio Club field station and AGM on Lochinvar near Stanford. 21 February - Logs for the SARL field day to be in to the Bloemfontein ARC 25 February - Logs for AWA CW Activity day to be in to Andy, ZSADY. 28 February - Offers to host a station at Sun City during IARU Region 1 conference to be in to iaru2011@sarl.org.za. 25 March - SAiSAT briefing session at the NARC. 31 March - Entries for the Space Week Essay Competition to be in.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 560 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'ARMI' and follow the links. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 22:05 CAT on 3 215 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by George, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening, 73.
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125. NZART Headquarters Infoline Issue 223

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A Message
There is only one NEW ZEALAND ASSOCIATION of RADIO TRANSMITTERS. It serves you at local, national and international levels. It deserves our full support if we are to continue to have the frequencies and operating privileges we currently enjoy. The Association is what you and I make it.
NZART Headquarters Infoline Issue 223
06-FEBRUARY-2011
NZART Website: http://www.nzart.org.nz/home/

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*Weird and Wonderful
*Upcoming Events
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>From The Business Manager ZL2DL
Debby says...
Happy new year everyone. Sorry I missed the first issue of the year, but I was away on holiday in the deep South!

Break In will be in your letterboxes within the next few days. In this issue are your voting papers for President, and those in the Northern region will receive an additional vote for their Council delegation. Anyone who has moved to this area, but has chosen to keep their branch affiliation elsewhere will not receive a voting form for Council, only a Presidential one.

Under no circumstances can the prepaid envelope be used to forward subscription payments, either for this year or in the future. Once the elections have closed, any envelopes addressed to the 'Returning Officer'

will be disposed of unopened.

I would also ask that you do not contact me to find out my views on who to vote for. I feel that you as members know what you want/need for your Association, therefore my opinions are purely that and should not be considered important in this election process.

Council is holding a face to face one day meeting on the 19th February at Wellington airport. The last date for any papers to be included in their discussions is the 8th February. This gives me time to prepare the agenda and post to all Councilors.

Below in this issue of HQ Info-line, is a special message from the newly appointed Marketing Officer, David Searle ZL3DWS. (see I Need Your Help. NZART Needs Your Help. Now!) From time to time, I receive requests from branches asking for any promotional material NZART may hold in regard to promoting amateur radio. Sadly there has been a big lack of anything really usable over the past 10 years. We do have the special brochure, which was updated in November last year, however there is absolutely nothing else. I would suggest everyone get behind David and see what ideas can be thought up...no idea is stupid.

Lastly if you do not receive your Break In, within the next two weeks, before contacting me, please make sure if you think you have sent payment, that his has been presented at your bank. If you do need to notify me of a payment, please advise the date and method of payment to help me reduce time in searching through bank statements.

Talk soon...Debby ZL2DL

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NZART Publicity & Marketing Officer Appointed - David ZL3DWS
FROM: President Roy ZL2KH
Re your appointment as Marketing and Publicity Officer for NZART:
Council was so pleased with your application that they decided to appoint you at once - rather than wait for a council meeting.
You are therefore apponted effective immediately. Thanks very much for your most generous offer.

REPLY: From David ZL3DWS

Dear Roy and Councillors,

Iï¿½m indeed thankful to be here and to have some skills and resources to promote and celebrate the great hobby that has served us all so well over the years.

The task of encouraging everyone to become a ham is a big one. However as a team, together, we should be able to start making a difference.

One step at a time.

I look forward to reading NZARTï¿½s Marketing Plan and building on it, with lots of Council input, shortly.

In the meantime, I would welcome informal suggestions or ideas now via email or phone. This is so the best can be researched, given thought and included in a plan that WILL work.

As we visit branches, read the amateur/electronics press and talk to colleagues, weï¿½ll all see/hear ideas that should WORK for us.

Then, please tell me. Together, weï¿½ll build something good that lasts.

Thanks and all the best for 2011,

73ï¿½s,
David ZL3DWS

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FMTAG Notes For February 2011
At its February 2011 meeting, NZART Council approved the following FMTAG Notes.

TOPO50 Map Series - Useful URLs
The MED has been using the TOPO50 map series, to define station locations for radio licensing purposes, for more than six months. Several members have asked for more information on this map series. The most informative websites, which include additional links, are:
http://www.linz.govt.nz/topography/topo-maps/topo50/index.aspx
http://www.linz.govt.nz/topography/topo-maps/topo50/sheets/index.aspx

Proposals
None this month.

Final Recommendations to NZART Council
Published in HQ Infoline and on the NZART website, inviting comments from members. No comments have been received.

1.. Branch 39 Tauranga has applied to link to Shaw Road 7175 and 855, from Minden 680, located at Topo50 map reference BD36 691.76 217.82. The link transmit frequency will be 433.550 MHz and the link receive frequency will be 438.550 MHz. An Engineering Evaluation shows that there will be no interference to other stations.

2.. Branch 46 Wairarapa has applied to change the frequency of its National System UHF Link Station at Pariwhariki Trig, Topo50 map reference BP35 288.84 459.75. The new transmit frequency will be 434.975 MHz and the receive frequency will be 439.975 MHz. An Engineering Evaluation shows that there will be no interference to other stations.

3.. Branch 53 Te Puke has applied to increase the power of its 7175 repeater located at Shaw Road, Topo50 map reference BE37 870.20 014.96. An Engineering Evaluation shows that the repeater transmit frequency can remain on 147.175 MHz and the repeater receive frequency on 147.775 MHz, and that there will be no interference to other stations.

4.. Branch 53 Te Puke has applied to increase the power of its 855 repeater located at Shaw Road, Topo50 map reference BE37 870.20 014.96. An Engineering Evaluation shows that the repeater transmit frequency can remain on 438.550 MHz and the repeater receive frequency on 433.550 MHz, and that there will be no interference to other stations.

5.. Branch 53 Te Puke has applied to up-link to Takaurunga 540 from its BBS at Totara Street, Topo50 map reference BD37 809.83 218.01. The link transmit frequency will be 144.800 MHz and the link receive frequency will be 145.400 MHz. An Engineering Evaluation shows that there will be no interference to other stations.

6.. Branch 66 Auckland VHF Group has applied for a Spectrum Licence on TV Channel 39 for its Nihotupu ATV repeater, to replace its previous Radio Licence, cancelled by the MED as part of the Digital Switch-Over process. The location is Nihotupu, Topo50 map reference BA31 401.84 114.69. All of the engineering parameters are unchanged from those of the cancelled licence.

7.. Branch 74 Wellington VHF Group has applied for a Spectrum Licence on TV Channel 39 for its Belmont ATV repeater, to replace its previous Radio Licence, cancelled by the MED as part of the Digital Switch-Over process. The location is Belmont, Topo50 map reference BQ32 568.79 398.86. All of the engineering parameters are unchanged from those of the cancelled licence.

8.. The Radio Electronics Group has applied to move its 2-metre repeater to Peacockes Road, Topo50 map reference BD33 030.88 129.32. We have selected a repeater transmit frequency of 147.125 MHz and a repeater receive frequency of 147.725 MHz. An Engineering Evaluation shows that there will be no interference to other stations.

9.. The Radio Electronics Group has applied to move its 70-centimetre repeater to Peacockes Road, Topo50 map reference BD33 030.88 129.32. We have selected a repeater transmit frequency of 438.875 MHz and a repeater receive frequency of 433.875 MHz. An Engineering Evaluation shows that there will be no interference to other stations.

Comments and Applications
Please send your comments and suggestions on the above matters and recommendations, and on any other FMTAG matters, by e-mail to:
fmtag@nzart.org.nz

Applications for repeaters, beacons, digipeaters, point-to-point links, and so on, should be made on the latest version of FMTAG Form 10. The latest versions of FMTAG Form 10, and the explanatory Form 10A, are available on the NZART web site:
http://www.nzart.org.nz/nzart/fmtag/

Completed forms should be sent by e-mail to fmtag@nzart.org.nz

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I Need Your Help.
NZART Needs Your Help.
Now!
Last month I was appointed Marketing and Public Relations Officer for NZART.
The early priorities include doing everything we can to:
1. Create more licensed radio amateurs
2. Encourage more people to join NZART
3. Tell the story of amateur radio to as many New Zealanders as possible.

We have a lot to be proud of, so let's share it.

One person can't do it. For one thing, there are only 24 hours in the day and secondly budget. However there are 5,000 licensed radio amateurs in NZ and others, who together, could achieve much.

Everyone of us can contribute to the above three goals. Progress will not be steady, and we won't always get it right. Over the years you and I have received much from this great hobby of ours. It is only right we tell the world about it, and help the next generation join in the fun.

Here is how you can help build something that is good and lasting.

Simply tell me:
1. how should we promote NZART?
2. who should we be talking to?
3. what should we be telling them?

Call me on 03 358 2424 or email ZL3DWS@nzart.org.nz or write PO Box 20-256, Christchurch, 8543.

Then, in the coming months I will create tools and provide resources that will help everyone work towards the three goals above. That's my promise to you. But I will need your help. Let's get started.

Responses may also be made via the internet here:
http://www.swiftpage1.com/survey/LetsTalk

David ZL3DWS

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IARU E-Letter - IARU Electronic Newsletter
January, 2011

In this Issue:

The ITU -the International Telecommunication Union

If you were to ask most amateur radio operators what entity is responsible for granting privileges to use portions of the radio spectrum for amateur radio purposes the answer would likely be their own national telecommunication authority. However, that's only partially true.

The ultimate authority for the use of the radio spectrum is the International Telecommunication Union (ITU). It is desirable that each amateur radio operator understand what the ITU is and why its work and

decisions are important.

Most countries are Member States of the ITU and by way of treaty generally agree to be bound by the decisions of the ITU when it comes to the usage of the radio spectrum. Each country can decide that a certain use determined by the ITU may not apply in their own jurisdiction. It is not common for countries to do that but it is within their sovereign authority to do so.

The International Telecommunication Union is a United Nations agency that deals with information and communications technology issues. They have an extensive web site at www.itu.int that details much of their work. The ITU is based in Geneva, Switzerland and includes in its membership 192 Member States and more than 700 Sector Members and Associates.

ITU has coordinated the shared global use of the radio spectrum, promoted international cooperation in assigning satellite orbits, worked to improve telecommunication infrastructure in the developing world, established the worldwide standards that foster seamless interconnection of a vast range of communications systems and addressed other global concerns, such as mitigating climate change and strengthening cybersecurity.

The top staff official of the ITU is its Secretary-General, Dr. Hamadoun Toure who is also a licensed radio amateur with the call sign HB9EHT. There are three sectors in the ITU: Radio-communication (ITU-R), Development (ITU-D) and Standardization (ITU-T). The IARU is a Sector Member in both the ITU-R Sector and the ITU-D Sector. The IARU fully participates in both of those sectors by attending any and all meetings that involve issues that may impact the amateur or the amateur-satellite services.

The Secretary-General, the Deputy Secretary-General and the Directors of the three ITU Sectors are elected to four-year terms by the Member States at Plenipotentiary Conferences held every four years. The IARU is a recognized international telecommunication organization and is invited to participate as an observer at the Plenipotentiary Conferences. The most recent "Plenipot" was held in October, 2010 in Guadalajara, Mexico.

The ITU Council was established in 1947 under the name Administrative Council, following a decision taken by the 1947 Plenipotentiary Conference in Atlantic City, New Jersey, United States. The Council comprises a maximum of 25% of the total number of Member States, which are elected by the Conference with due regard to the need for equitable distribution of Council seats among the five world regions (Americas, Western Europe, Eastern Europe, Africa, Asia, and Australasia). The current Council is comprised of 48 members.

The role of Council is to consider, in the interval between Plenipotentiary Conferences, broad telecommunication policy issues to ensure that the Union's activities, policies and strategies fully respond to today's dynamic, rapidly changing telecommunications environment. It also prepares a report on the policy and strategic planning of the ITU. In addition, Council is responsible for ensuring the smooth day-to-day running of the Union, coordinating work programs, approving budgets and controlling finances and

expenditures.

Finally, Council also takes all steps to facilitate the implementation of the provisions of the ITU Constitution, the ITU Convention, the Administrative Regulations (International Telecommunications Regulations and Radio Regulations), the decisions of Plenipotentiary Conferences and, where appropriate, the decisions of other conferences and meetings of the Union. The IARU has attended several ITU Council meetings in the recent past.

The ITU-R Sector is very important for radiocommunication services, including the amateur and amateur-satellite services. Every 4 or 5 years the ITU holds a World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC) to revise the international Radio Regulations. It is the job of WRC to review, and, if necessary, revise the Radio Regulations, the international treaty governing the use of the radio-frequency spectrum and the geostationary satellite and non-geostationary-satellite orbits. Revisions are made on the basis of an agenda determined by the ITU Council, which takes into account recommendations made by previous world radiocommunication conferences.

The general scope of the agenda of world radiocommunication conferences is established four to six years in advance, with the final agenda set by the ITU Council two years before the conference, with the concurrence of a majority of Member States. The next WRC is scheduled for 23 January to 17 February 2012, just one year away.

Under the terms of the ITU Constitution, a WRC can:

1.. revise the Radio Regulations and any associated Frequency assignment and allotment Plans;

2.. address any radiocommunication matter of worldwide character;

3.. instruct the Radio Regulations Board and the Radiocommunication Bureau, and review their activities;

4.. determine Questions for study by the Radiocommunication Assembly and its Study Groups in preparation for future Radiocommunication Conferences.

There is a lengthy preparatory process for every WRC in which the IARU participates as a Sector Member. There are usually countless meetings dealing with each agenda item that has been determined to be on the agenda for a WRC. Many of those agenda items can, and do, have a substantial impact on the amateur radio usage of portions of the radio spectrum. It is important for the IARU to participate to "protect our frequencies" and when the opportunity presents itself, to expand our spectrum.

ITU-R Study Groups and Working Parties address each agenda item on the WRC agenda and try to arrive at a consensus and recommendation(s) how the agenda item may be addressed or dealt with at the WRC. Studies are conducted many times to determine how a proposed new usage may impact the other services, or not. Each of these agenda items are thoroughly discussed for at least a couple of years leading up to the WRC. You can imagine how important it is for the worldwide amateur community that IARU participate in the entire

study group/working party process.

ITU-D is where much of the ITU's work on disaster response takes place. The development arm of the ITU considers emergency telecommunications an integral part of its projects integrating telecommunications/information and communication technology in disaster predication, detection, and alerting. Emergency Telecommunications play a critical role in the immediate aftermath of disasters by ensuring timely flow of vital information which is much needed by government agencies, and other humanitarian actors that are involved in rescue operations and providing medical assistance to the injured.

IARU's task in the ITU-D Sector is to ensure that amateur radio's role in disaster communications is understood and appreciated by the ITU members. The ITU-D Sector also conducts a worldwide conference. The current schedule calls for a World Telecommunication Development Conference every 4 years. In 2010, the WTDC was held in Hyderabad, India in late May and early June. IARU participated in the conference.

The ITU also sponsors regional and global exhibitions called TELECOMS. An ITU Telecom offers a global ICT community platform that gathers stakeholders from across the telecommunications/ICT sector to connect, collaborate and create the future ICT landscape.

Forums or seminars related to ICT are conducted at the Telecoms and IARU has participated in such forums, usually on topics related to emergency communications. In one of the ITU buildings, there is a permanent amateur radio station, 4U1ITU. 4U1ITU is the club station of the International Amateur Radio Club.

In an upcoming IARU E-Letter, I will describe the organization of IARU and how it works within the ITU and the regional telecommunication organizations like CEPT, CITEL and APT to ensure amateur radio's continued place in the radio spectrum landscape.

73, Rod W6ROD

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SILVERSTREAM WEATHER
TRENTHAM WEATHER

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http://www.plxwave.com/info.html

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Weird and Wonderful
This year we will experience 4 unusual dates.... 1/1/11, 1/11/11, 11/1/11, 11/11/11 .... NOW go figure this out.... Take the last 2 digits of the year you were born plus the age you will be this year and it WILL EQUAL 111

How about that!!

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Upcoming Events
1.. Papakura RC Challenge - 2011 National System Award
http://www.nzart.org.nz/activities/awards/zl1vk-nat-sys-award-challenge/

2.. National System Award 2011 - New Zealand Railway Stations
http://www.nzart.org.nz/activities/awards/national-system-award-2011/

3.. Te Puke Amateur Radio Club Inc. Sale 5-March-2011
http://www.nzart.org.nz/activities/events/te-puke-arc-sale/

4.. Wellington EXPO-11 & VHF Convention 23-April-2011
http://www.nzart.org.nz/activities/events/expo-2011/

5.. UPPER HUTT NZART Conference 2011 04/06-June-2011 -
Pre-registration Prize Draw and Update
http://www.nzart.org.nz/activities/events/2010-upper-hutt-conf/

Contest News
VHF/UHF/SHF Contest
VHF++ Low Band Contest (1st SAT APR 2nd if Easter) 02/03-APR-2011

THE VHF CONTEST RULES (http://www.vhf.org.nz/VHF-UHF-SHF-ContestRules)

Contest Calendar 2011
Contest Name
Date(s) 2011

***Boat Anchor Sprint (2nd SAT FEB)
12-FEB-2011

2011 PACC (Dutch) DX Contest
12/13-FEB-2011

ARRL DX-CW
19/20-FEB-2011

Jock White Field Day (last full WE FEB)
26/27-FEB-2011

***Future Boat Anchor Sprint and the Nostalgia Night Contests
"Because of a lack of participation, Mike ZL1MDS and Barrie ZL2LA have
decided that Boat Anchor Sprints and Nostalgia Night contests will be
cancelled in the meantime."

Housekeeping
1.. Break-In-Closing Date Reminder: Copy for the MARCH/APRIL issue of
Break-In-closes on 10-MARCH-2011

2.. Copy for Break-In: Copy is welcome in most electronic formats but
word.doc files are preferred. Photos and other graphics should be send as
separate discrete files (*.jpg preferred); not as embedded pix in the body
of the text. Please ensure that suitable descriptive captions/legends are
included with your copy.
All received copy will be acknowledged to confirm receipt.
Thank you for your cooperation.
John Walker ZL3IB Editor.

3.. Break-In: Early receipt of copy is much appreciated

4.. Break-In-AREC Column: The close-of-copy date is the 03-MARCH-2011 for
articles for publication in the AREC COLUMN OF BREAK-IN. Photos, if
available, to be on a separate floppy or CD (with captions), posted DIRECTLY
TO US. Use Call Book address. All other material can go to e-mail:
zl3qr@nzart.org.nz or zl3ov@nzart.org.nz

5.. The ARRL and WIA Weekly News

6.. Subscribe TO/FROM Infoline

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Regards, Jamie Pye ZL2NN, Editor zl2nn@nzart.org.nz

126. New SEECC members-Jan 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-06 11:53:10 UTC
From: s52ru <rabic.romeo@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <3c26dc8f-aa38-423d-9a7f-8442d3a1b1bb@a5g2000vbs.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4816

We welcome our new SEECC members :

UR5XMM Andrey
JF2SKV / NH0S Hisashi
LW9EOC Silvio
K5LBU Frosty
HA3JB Gabor
CU5AQ Abilio
UA9JBA Vitaliy

73 de Romeo S52RU

http://seecc.net

127. Weather Sites

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-06 18:23:46 UTC
From: ARRL Members Only Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20110206165818.624C2213D2@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 4817
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,oma.general,nebr.misc,rec.radio.info

I received the following very interesting email from Dave Theophilus, WØNRW. Thanks, Dave, for putting this together. 73, Art KØAIZ

Having worked for the National Weather Service (NWS) for 35 years, I am occasionally asked which weather sites I prefer on the Internet. Partly because of my work experience, but also because of the quality and quantity, I generally prefer NWS sites to others that are available.

Living in the area served by NWS Omaha/Valley (http://www.crh.noaa.gov/oax/) I can find most anything I want in the way of weather on their site. For other areas, click on Organization just below the heading, which will take you to a master list of NWS sites.

However, during the monster storm that struck large parts of the county around the beginning of February, a combination of extremely high loads (20 million hits per hour) and equipment problems, caused the NWS websites to become very slow and even shut down completely at times.

So, backup sites are a necessity. I rely mostly on the College of DuPage in Illinois. Their radar page is at: (http://weather.cod.edu/analysis/analysis.radar.html). Pick your radar site from the map. They have recently added a looping capability to the 0.5 deg Base Reflectivity. During the thunderstorm season, the Storm Relative Mean Velocity is useful when looking for circulations. The VIL is a useful product when looking for areas likely to be receiving hail.

I also rely very heavily on the College of DuPage NWS Text Page at: (http://weather.cod.edu/danatext.html). I have found that warnings issued by the NWS will show up on this page within a few seconds of issuance.

Another site that is good for primary, as well as back-up use, is the National Center for Atmospheric Research (NCAR) at: (http://www.rap.ucar.edu/weather/).

On all these sites always pay close attention to the time stamps to make sure you are looking at current data.

For Numerical Weather Prediction or model data, I like the page from Golden Gate Weather Services at: (http://ggweather.com/loops/ncep_loops.htm). I usually look at the Global Forecast System (GFS) output for North America. I normally look at the SLP/Thickness/Pcpn display by selecting a loop for the proper

hour and stepping through each time interval display (12 hours) manually. This will run out to 384 hours or about 15 days. The two main model runs are the 00Z and 12Z runs. For instance, model data based on the 12Z (6 AM CST) data collection is usually all available between 16Z and 17Z (10 and 11 AM CST).

The solid lines are sea level pressure lines, the dashed lines are thickness lines (think temperature), and the shaded areas are 12-hour precipitation (see scale on the left). The 540-thickness line is a good first guess as the dividing line between rain and snow.

As you watch this model you will notice, especially in the far out periods, that storms will come and go between successive model runs. We need to become concerned when successive runs are similar on surface features. At the closer in times, model variability usually lessens.

Also, note that if you click on the Model Name, you will jump to the NWS Model page.

That is as far as I am going to go today. An explanation of everything you will see on these pages would be a project of its own. If you have questions, I would be glad to try to answer them.

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128. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #997

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-06 20:55:16 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <341739.3354.qm@smtp105.sbc.mail.ne1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 4818
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 30th-January, through Sunday, 6th-February there were 235 countries active. Countries available: 1A, 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5V, 5Z, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, D6, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FR, FS, FT5X, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HC, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J6, J7, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S7, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T30, T5, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VP2M, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP8/h, VP8/o, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD9, ZF, ZK2, ZL, ZP, ZS, ZS8

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

1A0KM WRAP-UP. Luca, IK5HHA, one of the 1A0KM guest operators, informs OPDX that they made 11995 QSOs during their Sovereign Military Order of Malta operation. The breakdown is 5381/CW, 6184/SSB and 430/RTTY QSOs.

By the time you read this, logs should be uploaded to LoTW.

4A, REVILLAGIGEDO. Santos, EA4AK, sent out a press release announcing a DXpedition to Revillagigedo (XF4) during March. The assigned callsign will be 4A4A. The DXpedition's Web site is: http://www.revillagigedo2011.com The team leader and DXpedition organizer is Marcos, XE1B, and the QSL Manager is David, EB7DX <see: http://www.eb7dx.com>. Confirmation will only be DIRECT and LoTW. A team of 9 operators will operate from "Isla Socorro" (officially "Benito Juarez" Island) between March 3-20th. The island's reference numbers are: IOTA NA-030, WAZ Zone 6, ITU Zone 10, Grid Locator DK48MS and located -approx- at Longitude 111° West and Latitude 18° 46° North. Sunrise will be around 1320z and Sunset around 0100z. Currently the team consists of Marcos/XE1B (Team Leader/SSB), Santos/EA4AK (Logistic/SSB), Vicente/EA5AFP (CW), Fernando/EA5FX (CW), Francisco/EA5KM (CW), Javier/EC4DX (SSB), Edu/EA8AUW (SSB/Digi) and Alejandra Ortiz (Geology - Photography). Activity will be on 160-10 meters, possibly 6 meters, using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. They plan to have a CW team and a SSB team operating simultaneously on the air at all times. Yagis will be used for the higher bands and verticals for the lower bands. Efforts are being made to bring some linear amplifiers to the island. Santos, EA4AK, states, "Because propagation conditions are still low or average we must make a special effort to optimize the DX windows. I have prepared some 'propagation movies' (one for each band) for Revillagigedo to help those with less experience estimating the best times/bands to work 4A4A. You can see the movies on my YouTube 'channel' at: http://www.youtube.com/user/EA4AK "
The press release also mentions: "The licenses and permits for the 4A4A DXpedition have taken long time to obtain due to the complexity of this archipelago. Revillagigedo is a natural reserve, a protected reserve of the biosphere. Only visits or expeditions of scientific nature are permitted by the relevant Mexican authorities (a prestigious Mexican geologist will travel with the team to perform studies of natural life interest while 4A4A is running). Also, it is an emplacement of military interest, and tightly under the control and supervision of military authorities. These two permits from those two mentioned authorities are absolutely necessary before proceeding to request an amateur radio operating license to the telecommunications authorities." This 4A4A DXpedition is exclusively financed by the personal financial effort of the team of operators. The team is looking for some support from sponsors, clubs or other organizations. See the official Web site (provided above) for details on how to help them. Santos, EA4AK, has also provided a few links for interest:
* A Twitter Page for updates: https://twitter.com/EA4AK
* Various maps and images of Isla Socorro, and Revillagigedo, on EA4AK's Picassa album: https://picasaweb.google.com/EA4AK.Santos/4A4AVARIOS#
* All the JPG images of those propagation movies can be more carefully scrutinized at the Picassa album on: https://picasaweb.google.com/EA4AK.Santos/4A4APROPAGATIONIMAGES#

9G, GHANA. Operators Rob/PA3DEW and Vincent/PA3FQX will once again be active as 9G1AA from Dorma Ahenkro Hospital in Ghana between March 1-20th. Activity will be mainly on 20 and 15 meters SSB. QSL via PA3ERA.

CR3/CT9, MADEIRA ISLANDS. Operators Ulf/DL5AXX, Tom/DL5LYM, Jan/DL7JV, Frank/DL8WAA and Falk/DK7YY will be active as CR3L from Santana, Madeira Island (AF-014) during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 19-20th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via DJ6QT. Operators will probably be active as CT9/homecall before and after the contest. Checkout the CR3L station's Web page at: http://www.cr3l.de

DX0, SPRATLY ISLANDS. Chris, VK3FY, is reporting on DX-World.Net (edited): "We are hoping that the weather improves in the South China Seas so that we can board the ship which will take four operators to Pag-Asa. As this is a scouting trip, operating time on the island will be limited to a few hours to 3 days. The time on the island will be utilized in taking pictures of prospective sites and time permitting getting DX0DX on the air. This is a prelude to the April operation. QSL will be as per DX0DX via Bob N2OO. As we are guests on this vessel, we have no control over its departure, schedule or time it is allotted at Spratly."

E3, ERITREA. It looks like a E30 DXpedition is planned for 2012. The last operation, E30GA, took place from Asmara in November 1998. Currently the information is limited -- no operators and specific dates were provided. The only thing available via the below Web page is activity will be on 160-6 meters, including 30/17/12 meter bands, with operations on CW, SSB and RTTY. The unknown team will have at least 4 stations on the air at the same time on different bands and modes. The callsign is also not clear on the Web page (is it E30A or E30AA). However, the below Web page states, that the QSL Manager for E30A is S52RU. The Web for the 2012 DXpedition (still under construction) is:
http://www.seecc.net/Eritrea2012/index.html
There is a survey for "bands needs" available on the Web page. Hopefully, more info will be forthcoming. Stay tuned!

EA8, CANARY ISLANDS. Per, LA5EAA, will be active as EA8/LA5EAA between February 13-26th. Activity during the first week will be from the Island La Gomera (DIE S-014, WLOTA 1526), and the second week from the Island of Tenerife (DIE S-012, WLOTA 1276). Both islands are IOTA AF-004). He plans to operate holiday style using an Yaesu FT-817 transceiver (5w QRP) and wire antennas on the HF bands, mainly CW. QSL via his home callsign.

FRENCH EXPEDITION TO ANTARCTICA. Mehdi, F5PFP, will once again head south to the Antarctic waters sailing on a yacht on a 6 week voyage. He departs from Ushuaia on February 14th. His itinerary (as he puts it) is as follows: "Beagle channel islands> the Drake, then it will depend of the sailing conditions, impossible to give you an order.
>South Shetland Islands > West Graham land > Palmer Islands >Biscoe Islands >Adelaide Island> Marguerite Bay >back via the Melchior islands.
Callsigns mentioned are FT5YK/p, VP8DLM and CE9XX (he is waiting for an Argentine callsign also. Radio operations will be mostly between 2200-0200z on 40 meters SSB and possibly earlier sometime on 20 meters.

Equipment is an IC-706, FT-897 and an IC 2KL amp. Antennas are a 1/4 wave vertical for 40m and a 1/4 wave vertical for 20m.

HE3, SWITZERLAND (Special Event). Members of the Rav Radio Amateurs of Vaudios (HB9MM) will activate the special callsign HE3OM from Sottens during the month of February. Sottens is a small village where the last medium waves transmitter active in Switzerland was located. It stopped its emissions on December 31st, 2010, at 2359 local time. Permission has been granted to the "Radioamateurs Vaudois" club to use the 2 giant antennas for amateur purposes. The callsign HE3OM was chosen for the following reasons:
* The prefix HE3 has already been used in 2004, when the shortwave transmitter in Sottens went off the air. At that time the special callsign was HE3RSI.
* The suffix OM in French means Ondes Moyennes, mediumwaves.
* Also, OM are the initials of Option Musique, the last program that was transmitted over these big antennas.
The tallest antenna, 188 meters high, is used on the HF bands, especially the lower bands like 160m and 80m. The "small" mast, 125 meters high is connected to the VLF station transmitting on the 137 kHz amateur band.
QSL HE3OM via HB9TOB. For more details, see: http://www.hb9mm.com/sottens

IOTA NEWS.....
NA-193. Operators John/VE8EV and Gerry/VE8GER are currently planning a 5-7 day operation to Tent Island in the Yukon Territory Group during late April (over the Easter holiday - dates to be finalized at the end of March). Tentative callsign will be XK1T. Activity will be a high-power/yagi operation, mostly 20 meters, mostly SSB (but likely more CW than previous trips) with the goal of putting NA-193 into as many logs as possible in NA, Europe, and Asia. They are looking for donations/funds to help pay for the cost of this expensive operation. Donations can be made through John's OQRS page at: http://ve8ev.blogspot.com

J6, ST. LUCIA. Operators Volkmar/DF2SS and Marc/DL1VKE are now active as J6/DF2SS and J6/DL1VKE from St. Lucia (NA-108) until February 17th. Activity will be on all HF bands using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via their home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

KH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Members of the Mariana Friendship Club (WH0SS) will be activatings W0S from Saipan (OC-086, USI NI002S, WLOTA 1333) between February 15-22nd, to celebrate the Silver Jubilee of the international exchange program between Seisa Group (Japan) and Marianas High School (Saipan CNMI). Since 1986, more than 7000 students from Japan to Saipan and more than 1000 students from Saipan to Japan crossed the ocean to participate in this incomparable and fruitful program. This operation is also one of the activities of "Foundation with Global Children" and "International NGO Seisa-Lotus (provisional name)" aiming for the advancement of education and medical care to children worldwide. The operating site will be the Saipan World Resort, Saipan, Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI). Operators mentioned are Yasuo/KH0WF, Akihiko/

JK1OPL, Jay/KH2J, Tadao/AE6UR, Naohiko/W6HGY and Mamoru/W6KNH. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via JA1HGY. Log Search will be available at: http://www.clublog.org/logsearch.php?log=S Please note that the team will not be in the ARRL-DX CW Contest, however they will operate SSB/RTTY and the WARC bands, to avoid the confusion during the contest period.

KH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Yuichiro, JM2RUV, will be active as KH0/JM2RUV between February 18-21st. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW and SSB. He also plans to be on during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 19-20th). QSL via JM2RUV, direct or by the Bureau.

KH6, HAWAII. Operators Lloyd/KH6LC, Oliver/W6NV, Don/N6DA, Ken/N6KB, Curt/AH6RE and Jim/W6SC will be active as KH6LC during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 19-20th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via WA6WPG.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (For February 7-13th)....
Feb 7 AN SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS
Feb 8 AN --------------------
Feb 9 HN BN - Below Normal
Feb 10 HN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Feb 11 HN-AN LN - Low Normal
Feb 12 AN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Feb 13 AN DIS - Disturbed
VDIS - Very Disturbed

GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

PA, THE NETHERLANDS. Kees, PA7TWO, informs OPDX that a new Dutch contest group has been born and located in the northwest part of the Noord-Holland Province. The contest team's callsign is PA6NH. The team members are PA2PAC, Paul/PA3FUN, Kees/PA7TWO, Jerry/PH9HB, Jan/PD1AIQ and Bram/PE1OPK. Their station setup consists of surplus equipment, namely Harris 590 receivers and Telefunken S2525 amplifiers, with Yaesu/ACOM equipment as backup. This new contest team plans to participate in all the major contests starting with the upcoming Dutch PACC Contest (February 12-13th). The group has a successful trial run for their new station during last weekend's UBA-SSB Contest (January 29-30th) that looked very promising. ADDED NOTES: QSLs for the upcoming PACC Contest (only) will be sent via the "Global QSL" for all QSOs. For all other contests, send your direct QSL to PA7TWO via the address on QRZ.com. (Please read and comply to the listed QSL rules!). As a general rule, all QSOs will be uploaded to the LoTW! Also, checkout the PA6NH pictures on QRZ.com.

P4, ARUBA (Update). Tim, WD9DZV, will be active as P40D (not P40A as announced last week) from Aruba between March 8-13th. Activity will be holiday style on most bands and modes. QSL via WD9DZV.

PACIFIC TOUR (Update). Bob, 5B4AGN, will finish his Palau (OC-009) T88ZM operation on February 8th, and then head to Saipan (OC-086, USI NI002S, WLOTA 1333). He will be active as KH0/G3ZEM between February 9-16th. Operations will be from the Saipan Rental Shack (See the following Web page at: http://saipan.rental-shack.com/english/index.html)
Activity will be CW only on the HF bands. QSL via M0URX, direct or using his OQRS for Bureau cards at: http://www.m0urx.com/qsl-request-form.html

PJ2, CURACAO. Operators Don/W5FKX, Jim/N5HZ, Dave/W5XU and Mike/W5ZPA will be active as PJ2T from Signal Point Station on Curacao (SA-099, WLOTA LH-0942) between March 10-17th. Activity will be on all bands and modes. QSL PJ2T via N9AG or LoTW.

PJ4, BONAIRE. Roger, N4RR, will once again operate in the CQWW WPX RTTY Contest (February 12-13th) from Bonaire (SA-006, WLOTA L1279) using the callsign PJ4R. He will be signing PJ4/N4RR before the contest starting on February 9th. All activity will be RTTY on 80/40/20/15 meters. QSL via his home callsign.

PZ, SURINAME. Serge, RX3APM, will be active as PZ5P from Paramaribo between February 15-22nd. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW and SSB. He will also be in the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 19-20th). QSL via UA4LU or LoTW.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated February 6th)

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4L0CR via DL8KAC HB9MUBA via HB9-Bureau UK8OM via 4Z5OG (direct only)
4Z20HC via 4Z4TL HE3OM via HB9TOB UN2011G via UN8GC
5C2P via IK2PZC HG0WFF via HA0HW UP2011AS via UN8GU
9K50FM via 9K2FM HI3/W1JNZ via W1JNZ UP2011AWG via UP7Z
A35AY via JA1NLX IP1METEO via IQ1BP UP2011BN via UN7QCC
A61Q via EA7FTR J79VG via KC4VG UP2011IH via UN2G
A65BP via UA6MF LX/ON5QRP/P via ON5QRP UP2011SJ via UN6QC (direct)
CE1TT via EA5KB M6T via G4PIQ UP2011SO via UN8GC
CP6AA via IK6SNR N1Y via K1NIU UW0U via UT7UT
CS2C via OK1RF OA4/DL1NL via DL1NL V55DLH via DK8ZZ
CX3TQ via IK2DUW OK5Z via OK2ZI V73/K3NT via K3NT
D44TBE via IK5CRH PJ2/DF7DQ via DF7DQ VE7/F5IDM via KH6-Bureau
E7/DJ1YFK via DJ1YFK PJ4/EA1PP via EA1PP VP9/OH3JR via OH3JR
E70WFF via E77AW PY4ZUN via LX1NJ WH0DX via JM1LJS
EE5URW via EA5URW SN400JH via SP2KDS YN3M via W0MM
EM50IYG via UT2IY TM45RY via F6FNL (eQSL/LoTW/no Bureau) YS1RS via EB7DX

QSL A35AY via JA1NLX, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW. Operator is Akira, JA1NLX, from Fafa Island (OC-049). He is expected to be active until February 8th. For more information, go to:
http://www.ne.jp/asahi/ja1nlx/ham/A35_2011.html

PJ7E QSL STATUS. PJ7E QSL team reports: "We still have about 1000 QSLs to finish up the backlog. Tom, N4XP, has been mailing about 600 per week. Please be patient as it just takes time. The OQSL card requests will be caught up by next week. If you have not received your QSL by March 1st, please inquire at <info@stmaarten2010.com> and do not re-send cards at this time. Thanks for all of the QSOs...."

QSL T88ZM via M0URX, direct or using his OQRS for Bureau cards at:
http://www.m0urx.com/qsl-request-form.html
Bob, 5B4AGN, was the operator from the Palau Rental Shack (OC-009)
<http://palau.rental-shack.com/english/> between February 1<8th.

QSLS VIA LoTW: 1A0KM, 9M6/KM0O, A25DF, A45XR, A65BP, C6AKQ, C6ANM, C91DL, CO7PH, DH3MIT, DJ7XB, E51PEN, GM4WZL, HB10DX, HK3W, J6/KB9AVO, J48S, JT1CO, JY9NX, MU/F5NHJ, OM3LK, R5GA, R7MA, RI1FJ, RK3DXW, SP9BBH, SP9H, SV7LNK, SY75NW, T32OU, TG9AJR, TO5DX, UA0BA, V21ZG, V31RG, WL7E, YO3JF, YS3CW and ZL50VK

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 5R8RJ, 6V7Z, 9K2YM, CY0/VE1AWW, D44TBV, DT8A, FG8AR, FR/DJ7RJ, GP0DTH, GW7X, HH2/OH2TA, HI3K, HK0GU, HK0GU/1, HK0GU/3, J5V, J68JA, JA1PBV/6W, KC4AAA, PJ2/K8LEE, PJ6A, PJ7E, PX8J, PX8L, TA7/WK1S, XV4SP, YB0AKM and ZB3B

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: NONE REPORTED This Week!

S9, SAO TOME & PRINCIPE. Operators Ulli/DD2ML, Jurgen/DF1AL, Klaus-Dieter/DK1AX, Rene/DL2JRM, Rolf/DL7VEE, Sid/DM2AYO and Harry/DM5TI are now active as S9DX until February 17th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via DL1RTL. Bureau QSLs may be requested online. For more details, visit their Web page at: http://s9dx.hkmann.de

T2, TUVALU. Haru, JA1XGI, informs OPDX that he will be active as T2XG between May 17-24th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via JA1XGI, direct or by the Bureau.

T30, WESTERN KIRIBATI (Update/Reminder). Operators Bill/N7OU and Bob/W7YAQ are expected to once again team up for another operation in the Pacific this week, but this time from Tarawa Island (OC-017) between February 8-22nd. Bill will sign T30OU and Bob will sign T30YA. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using mostly CW with some SSB and RTTY, and using 100 watts and vertical antennas. They will also be in the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 19-20th) as a Multi-Single entry and signing T30YA. QSL via their home callsigns. They will upload their logs to LoTW soon after they get back to the USA.

T32, CHRISTMAS ISLAND (Update). Don Field, G3XTT, FSDXA Publicity Officer, has sent out a press release (Bulletin #2) from the Five Star DXers Association (FSDXA) with updates on their T32C DXpedition to Kiritimati (Christmas Island) that will take place between September 27th and October 25th. The release states that the "T32C" callsign is now confirmed and has been issued. This took a little time to arrange, as single letter suffixes are not normally issued by the Kiribati Government. Secondly, the T32C Web site <http://www.t32c.com> is going strong with all the

latest news. For example, you can look at predicted propagation, make a donation via PayPal and other means, read about the island, and much more. At this time though, they would particularly urge everyone to complete the survey of wanted bands and modes which will help them in planning their operating schedule.
It was also mentioned that their 40 member team is now almost complete, and they are especially delighted to welcome young amateur Michael Z�rch, DG1CMZ, whose participation is possible thanks to an anonymous sponsor. Michael is a 25-year old from Thuringia, Germany. He was first licensed at the age of 14 and is a keen contester and DXer.
The UK-based members of T32C have had several preparatory sessions to clean up and refurbish kit from their previous operations as well as building and testing equipment which they will be using for the first time (for example, new 4-square antennas for both 40 and 30m, and vertical arrays for the high bands, to complement their existing Yagis). Some photos of these activities appear on the Web site. They have also been getting to know the FT-5000 radios of which they will have 16 with them on T32 along with Quadra linear amplifiers. Several pallets of gear are now ready to be transferred to the shipping container which they expect to leave the UK in late February from where it will travel via Singapore to Fiji, arriving in Suva in April or early May for onward shipping to T32. They have also added a GPS tracker in the container so that they can follow the progress of their kit as it makes its way to the island! To read the complete press release and their new brochure, go to the following Web pages at:
http://www.t32c.com/Resources/Documents/Press/Press%20Bulletin%202.pdf
http://www.t32c.com/resources/documents/brochure%20feb.pdf

TO7/FM, MARTINIQUE (NA-107). Dim, UT5UGR, will once again be active as TO7A during the ARRL DX Phone Contest (March 5-6th) as a a Single-Op/ All-Band/High-Power entry. Outside of the contest look for him to sign FM/KL7WA. QSL FM/KL7WA and TO7A via UT5UGR.

VISALIA DX CONVENTION (Top-Band Banquet). Steve, WB6RSE, reports that the 2011 Top-Band Dinner Banquet at the Visalia DX Convention is now open for reservations. It will take place on Friday, April 15th, at 6:30 PM. The location is the Convention Hotel, Holiday Inn, Visalia CA. The program will be: "The Low Bands from VP8ORK South Orkneys". There will be door prizes. The menu will be the "Miner 49er BBQ Buffet Dinner. No host bar." The cost is 37 USDs/person. If you wish to attend, please send an E-mail with the number of reservations you would like along with CALL, FIRST & LAST NAME, and contact E-MAIL address for each person to: wb6rse1@mac.com You will receive a return E-mail confirming availability along with payment information. A SELL OUT IS EXPECTED. FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED!

VK0/H, HEARD ISLAND. Carl, N4AA, editor of QRZ DX, reports that Chris/ VK3FY and Steve/VK6IR are co-leaders in planning for a DXpedition to Heard Island in February of 2013. They are proposing a 13 member team for a two week operation. The estimated cost for this operation is around 500,000 USDs. They are expected to put a Web page online to keep everyone informed. Last operation from Heard Island was back in 1997. The latest

ranking by "DX Magazine's Most Wanted Survey" is #5 world-wide.

VP8O, SOUTH ORKNEY ISLANDS. Members of the Microlight Penguins continue
to be active as VP8ORK from Signy Island (AN-008) until February 8th.
As this was being written, the VP8ORK log shows (at 0658z, February 5th)
that they have made 51979 QSOs with 15122 unique callsigns (34085/CW,
14548/SSB and 3346/RTTY). The online log can now be found at:
http://www.clublog.org/charts/?c&#65533;8ork
If you want a QSL card there are three ways available to receive one:
OQRS direct (on the VP8O Web page), OQRS Bureau (on the VP8O Web page)
and direct by mail via VE3XN [w/SASE/Green Stamps/IRC(s)]. For more
details and updates, visit the VP8O Web page at: http://www.vp8o.com
By the way, real-time news is now available at:
http://www.vp8o.com/realtimenews.htm

ZF2, CAYMAN ISLAND (Satellites, Grids, HF and Contesting). Adrian, AA5UK,
will be operating as ZF2AE from Grand Cayman and ZF2AE/ZF8 from Little
Cayman between March 25th and April 2nd. He plans to operate during the
CQ WPX SSB Contest (March 26-27th) on Little Cayman, on 40-10 meters using
a IC-7000 and vertical antenna. Current plans are to operate holiday style
outside the contest on SSB, RTTY, PSK31 and the satellites (AO-51, SO-50,
VO-52 and FO-29). Most activity will be in the afternoons and evenings.
QSL direct to AA5UK with a SAE/SASE, by the Bureau, LoTW or eQSL.

ZL50, NEW ZEALAND (Special Events). Look for Graeme, ZL1ANH, to be active
as ZL50GH during the year 2011. Activity is to celebrate his 50th anni-
vesary of being a licenced radio amateur. QSL via his home callsign, by
the Bureau or direct. Also, via LoTW.
ADDED REMINDER: Members of the Papakura Radio Club (ZL1VK), NZART
Branch 65 in South Auckland, will activate the special event callsign
ZL50VK between now and March 31st. Activity is to celebrate the 50th
anniversary of the club. Look for logs to be uploaded to LoTW and Club
Log. QSL via ZL1VK. Visit their Web page at: http://www.qsl.net/zl1vk
PLEASE NOTE: These are New Zealand stations and NOT ANTARCTICA (ZL5)
callsigns.

ZS8, MARION ISLAND (Update). Pierre, ZS1HF/ZS8M, continues to be active
most days, mainly 20/17 meters SSB. Pierre has released another newsletter
from Marion Island, where he provides more great pictures, along with
more details about the island happenings and activities on the island.
He also has a section in his newsletter called "Humans and seals do not
mix!!!" If you have a weak stomach, you may not want to see these pictures.
Pierre states that during breeding season the seals become extremely
aggressive. Someone found out and got 25 stitches later! His newsletter
can be found online at: http://www.iz8epy.it/html/zs8m.html
Lastly, Pierre mentions the following four items:
1. Our Polar Supply ship will be arriving on 15 March with a team of
maintenance people. At this stage I assume my operation will be
down scaled, especially the SSB operation.
2. The ship returns to Cape Town on 19 April to collect the new team,
including fuel and food for the next year.

3. The ship departs Cape Town on 5 April for Marion Island and arrives
11 April with the new team.
4. I expect the ZS8M operation will cease officially on 11 April 2011.

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new
FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the
following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)

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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced
mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send
mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW

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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE
OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�lp>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�bscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html

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Excerpts and distribution of The OPDX Bulletin are granted as long as
KB8NW/OPDX/BARF80 receive credit. To contribute DX info, please send
via InterNet Mail to: kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org - OR - kb8nw@arrl.net
Information can now be faxed to the following "NEW" phone line at:
1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)

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129. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 6th February 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-06 21:00:19 UTC
From: news at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20110206210005.1365F33C4E@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4819
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 6th February 2011

Request for Return of IRTS Trophies and Cups

It is time once again to recall all trophies presented at the 2010 IRTS, AGM held in Dundalk.

Trophies and Cups can be returned to the IRTS Stand at the Phoenix Radio Club Rally in Coolmine on Sunday February 20th 2011 or to any IRTS Committee Member before end of February 2011.

This will allow for any engraving to be done, or to allow any repairs as needed.

Early return will be appreciated. Peter EI4HX can be contacted on ei4hxperimental / at/eircom / dot/ net.

IRTS Awards Nominations.

The time is here again for nominations for the several awards for IRTS Trophies and cups that are required from within the membership, this includes the awards for,

1. Service to the Society or to Amateur Radio. Awards in this category can be to members or non-members.

2. Awards for other achievements.

Awards in this category [2] include the 4 and 6 Meter Shields, the SWL Award, and the awards for Quality Construction Projects. These are confined to members only.

When considering your nominations, please refer to previous successful winners as included in www.irts.ie/cgi/awards.cgi

Nominations may be from Clubs or Individuals, must be by post or e-mail, and can be forwarded to the Awards Committee Members, Pat EI2HX and Pat EI9HX, or to Peter Grant EI4HX, Chair of Awards Committee, QTHR, or by e-mail to ei4hxperimental/ at/ eircom/ dot/ net.

Closing date for nominations is February 30th 2011.

IRTS AGM Annual Dinner and Rally 2011

You are reminded of the importance of attending the IRTS AGM weekend, including Annual Dinner and Rally will be held this year on Saturday March 26th and Sunday March 27th. The event will be hosted by the Limerick Radio Club. The venue is the Radisson Blu Hotel, Ennis Road, Limerick. For more information contact, Ger McNamara EI4GXB on 087 2532512 or ei4gxb/ at /gmail/ dot/ com.

Engineers Week

This year Engineers Week, organised by Engineers Ireland, runs from 14 - 20 February. Once again the Society plans to participate in centres through the country. Currently under consideration are Athlone, Cork, Cavan, Dundalk., Mayo and Limerick. If you would like to participate please contact S&#65533;amus ei8bp / at / eircom /dot/net.

Shannon Basin Radio Club

The Shannon Basin Radio Cub held its AGM in Roscommon on the 28th Jan. The following officers were elected.. Chairman: Pat EI9HX, Secretary: Brian EI8IU, Treasurers: Fergus EI6IB and Brian EI8IU, QSL Manager: Richard EI5GGB. The club would like to thank the outgoing officers. Several new members attended and are very welcome to the club. The next meeting will be held in Hannons Hotel Roscommon Town on Wednesday 23rd March at 20:30.

Blackrock Castle Observatory Cork

North Cork Radio Group will be active EI1NC/P on February 19 and 20 from 10am until 5pm at Blackrock Castle Observatory a 16th century Castle located 4km from the heart of Cork city on the banks of the river Lee.

The Castle has seen many uses in its vast history and now houses the cutting edge of space and observation technology, more info on the Castle is available at www.bco.ie information on NCRG is available at www.ei1nc.com

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Fingal Radio Club

With immediate effect, please note that the Fingal Radio Club EI 2 FRC will no longer be meeting at the Erin's Isle GAA Club, Farnham Drive Finglas Dublin.

Fingal Radio Club have not as yet finalised their new meeting place, so in the meantime, contact and information about the club may be made to Chris Yeates EI 7 AAB at YEATESDSL / at/ eircom / dot/ net for the latest information.

Limerick Radio Club

The AGM of Limerick Radio Club will take place on Thursday 10 February at 7.30pm in the Limerick Institute of Technology. All members are requested to attend. Further details are available from Ger McNamara EI4GXB Hon. Secretary at QTHR.

South Eastern Amateur Radio Group

The Annual General Meeting of South Eastern Amateur Radio Group will take place on Monday 28 February in the Roanmore Social and Sports Centre, Cleaboy Road, Waterford. All are welcome.

For up to date information about the club, visit www.searg.com

The South Eastern Amateur Radio Group and the Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club are planning to get Ireland its say again in the International Geopark Communication event on 28 & 29 May, with stations at the Copper Coast Geopark and the Marble Arch Caves Geopark in Fermanagh. Geoparks are areas recognised by UNESCO to have exceptional geological heritage. There are 42 in 16 European countries, but only these two in Ireland. Amateur radio's culture itself is international educational and scientific, so it is quite right that amateur radio be involved with Geoparks that are designated by UNESCO - the United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural Organisation.

DX News

Bruno DH1BL who is at present on the Island of Mayotte in the Indian Ocean has been active as FH/DH1BL. He recently received a local call and can now be found using FH4VOS. He expects to be on Mayotte for another three years and his QSL info is via DL7BC.

Two American operators plan to operate on the amateur bands from Haiti between February 18 and March 5. They will be working at a local Christian Mission and during their spare time will be on the air as HH4/K4QD and HH4/AF4Z.

J88DR will be active again from February 16 to March 14. This is the call used by Dave G3TBK while on the Caribbean island of St Vincent. Dave is interested in contesting and will be QRV in the ARRL DX CW Contest as well as the ARRL DX SSB Contest and the Commonwealth Contest during that period.

An international team will operate from Cameroon using the call TJ9PF from February 10-20. QSL manager is F5OGL and full details of the DXpedition can be found on www.tj9pf.fr

Members of the Lufthansa Amateur Radio Club are off on another overseas trip. This time they plan to operate as V55DLH from Namibia. QSL

manager is DK8ZZ.

Gerd DJ4KW and Gisela DK9GG will operate from V31YN and V31GW respectively in Belize until the end of February. During the period 2 - 8 February they hope to go to Southwater Caye (IOTA NA-180) using the call V31YN/P.

To celebrate the 50th anniversary of independence, stations in Kuwait will be using the 9K50 prefix from now until the end of February.

DJ9KR PUBLISHES 40 METER BROADCAST INTRUDER LIST

Ulrich Bihlmayer, DJ9KR, of Tuebingen, Germany, has published a list of broadcast stations still operating in the 7.0 to 7.2MHz amateur service radio band. The list can be downloaded from in Adobe PDF format at tinyurl.com/4c8ootr.

The latest version was published on January 11th. Using it as a handy reference you should be able to determine what station might be interfering with a QSO and where that station is located.

Excellent graphics concerning the intruder situation in Region 1 / Europe during 2010, see http://www.iarums-r1.org/iarums/int2010

Visit also the powerpoint presentation on the IARU Region 1 Monitoring System homepage, see http://www.iarums-r1.org/iarums/bw-2010.pps

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GLOBAL TUNES REACHES 55 RECEIVERS WORLD WIDE

You can now access 55 receivers world wide on the Global Tuners dot com website. Receivers on-line operate a variety of modes including the AM and FM broadcast bands, the shortwave spectrum, HF and UHF bands in various modes.

Countries currently on-line include the USA, Australia , Finland, France, Germany , Greece , Italy , Hong Kong , the Netherlands, the Slovak Republic, Sweden and the United Kingdom to mention only a few. So far there are 33,777 registered members and you will have to sign up for an account if you wish to control a receiver.

For more information take your web browser to www.globaltuners.com and global tuners is spelled as one word.

Radio Rallies

PHOENIX A.R.C.

Phoenix Amateur Radio Club annual rally will be held on Sunday 20th February 2011 in the usual venue, Coolmine Community School, Blanchardstown.

Doors open for Traders at 9.00 am Doors open to public 3.00am Admission 5 Euros. To book tables contact Tony at 0872439997 or Tom at 01-8211043.

Plenty of Parking, Refreshments and Bring and Buy Sale. All usual traders will attend.

This is the First Rally of 2011.

For further details on Rallies please see www.irts.ie/rallies

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Items for inclusion in next weeks Radio News should be forwarded to Aidan EI7JC, preferably via e-mail to "news / dot /ei7jc / at / gmail / dot / com". Or by phone to 085 7100511 News can also be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor not later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

130. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.amateur.*

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-07 07:05:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/recruitment-1-1297062301@panix.com>
Source record: 4820
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/recruitment
Revision: 1.2 2009/11/25 14:41:01
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/

Changes followed by "|".

The rec.radio.info newsgroup, first established in 1993, has been
recently revived by an active moderation team. We are currently seeking
suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.amateur.* (and currently archived
at http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/ ):

radio/personal-intro
Subject: Guide to the rec.radio Newsgroups
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 9 Nov 2001 06:18:17 GMT
Posting-Frequency: 15th of each month

One significant omission, requiring immediate updates, for this article |
is that it does not mention newer amateur radio newsgroups created since |
it was written, including: |

rec.radio.amateur.antenna |
rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors |
rec.radio.amateur.dx |
rec.radio.amateur.equipment |
rec.radio.amateur.homebrew |
rec.radio.amateur.moderated |
rec.radio.amateur.space |

We are willing to provide any technical support necessary to get this
article updated and automatically posted again at a regular interval.
This would include establishing contact with the original maintainer for
any necessary permissions. We would prefer to seek a new, dedicated
maintainer at this time, rather than start auto-posting the original
article ourselves.

For more information about our newsgroup, see:
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http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

131. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.swap

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-07 07:10:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/swap/recruitment-1-1297062601@panix.com>
Source record: 4821
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/swap/recruitment
Revision: 1.1 2007/09/29 18:42:57
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide

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newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.swap (and currently archived at
http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide/ ):

radio/swap-guide
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Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
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132. [DXNL] DXNL 1714 (Feb 9, 2011)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-07 23:00:41 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
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DXNL 1714 - Feb 9, 2011
DX Newsletter

a free and weekly service of
DARC Committee "DX and HF contesting"
(http://www.darcdxhf.de)

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CN - MOROCCO
Ron,W3PV, is active as CN2PV from Rabat mostly in CW on 40m and will
stay there until May 1. QSLs via bureau or direct to his homecall.

KH2 - GUAM, OC-026
Nobu,JR3STX, and Take,JS6RRR, will sign W3STX/KH2 and KH2/JS6RRR from
Guam (OC-026) working in CW/SSB/FM/RTTY/PSK31 on 160-6m from Feb 10-15.
QSL cards for W3STX/KH2 should be sent via JR3STX (direct/bureau) and
QSLs for KH2/JS6RRR via JS6RRR (direct/bureau).

KH0 - NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS, OC-026
Some members of the "Mariana Friendship Club" (WH0SS) will show up as
W0S from Feb 15-22. They are celebrating the silver jubilee of the
co-operation between the Marianas High School in Saipan (CNMI) and the
Seisa Group in Japan. 7000 guest students came from Japan to Saipan and
more than 1000 from Saipan to Japan since 1986. The OPs are: KH0WF,
JK1OPL, KH2J, AE6UR, W6HGY, W6KNH and operation will take place in CW,
SSB and RTTY on all bands from 160m-10m.
The QSL manager is JA1HGY and an online logsearch is available at:
http://www.clublog.org/logsearch.php?log&#65533;S
They will not take part in the upcoming ARRL DX CW Contest instead they
will dodge to SSB, RTTY or the WARC bands.

J3 - GRENADA, NA-024
Bill,K4LTA/J37BO, and his XYL Ruby,K4UPS/J37RO, will activate Grenada
on all bands from Feb 9 until Mar 10. Bill will use the call J38A in
the ARRL DX CW Contest (Feb 19/20).
QSLs for J37BO and J38A via K4LTA and J37RO via K4UPS.

Roy,KE4TG, will show up from Grenada during the same time. He will sign
J38RF primarily in digital modes using a K3 transceiver, a G5RV and
phased verticals. He also plans to work on 60m. QSL via homecall.

PJ4 - BONAIRE, SA-006
Roger,N4RR, plans to join the CQ WPX RTTY Contest from Bonaire (SA-006,
WLOTA L1279) using PJ4R. His activity starts on Feb 9 and will be only
in RTTY on 80m/40m/20m and 15m. Roger will sign PJ4/N4RR before and
after the contest. The QSL cards should be sent via his homecall.

PZ - SURINAME
Serge,RX3APM, will stay in Suriname from Feb 15-22. His plans to work
as PZ5P in CW and SSB on 10m-160m. He also wants to take part in the
ARRL DX CW Contest.
The QSL cards are managed by UA4LU and he also accepts QSLs via LoTW.

T8 - PALAU, OC-009
Mike,JA6EGL/T88SM, and Hiro,JA6KYU/T88HS, will activate Palau (OC-009)
in CW and SSB on 80m-6m from Feb 10-15.
QSLs via homecalls, unfortunately only direct.

TJ - CAMEROON
Several members of the F6KOP Team and the Clipperton DX Club will be
active as TJ9PF from Cameroon from Feb 10-20. Their QTH will be Kribi
directly at the beach. Following team members know each other already
from former DXpeditions: F4AJQ (Frank, DXpedition leader),
F5UFX (Seb, deputy team leader), FM5CD (Michel), N2WB ("Wild Bill"),
K4SV (Dave), I2VGW (Gabriele), ON7RN (Eric), N6OX (Bob), F6ENO (Alain),
F8BJI (Jean-Paul), F6BIV (Jean-Luc), F5EOT (Michel), F5VHQ (John),
F2JD (Gerard), DJ7JC (Norbert), F1NGP (Yan), F5PED (Mathieu), and
F1HRE (Henri). The team will work in SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK on 160m-10m.
They will use six stations: 5x FT-450, 1x K3, 6x Acom 1010. Antennas:
Spiderbeams, 3x 5-band, 1x 3-band, 1x WARC vertical, antennas for 20m/
30m/40m/80m/160m. Lowbands: Depending on the local conditions they will
put up one or two beverages and a K9AY antenna. Their goal for this
DXpedition are 80.000 QSOs with focus on lowbands and digital modes.
Their QSL manager will be Didier,F5OGL, and the pilot station is F6AML.
Further information can be found on their website: http://www.tj9pf.fr
Following preferred frequencies were announced (in kHz):
Band CW SSB RTTY PSK

10m 28024 28480 28082 28122
12m 24892 24960 24918 24920
15m 21024 21270 21082 21072
17m 18071 18140 18102 18100
20m 14024 14145 14087 14072
30m 10104 10142 --- 10142
40m 7020 7120/7075 7038 7035
80m 3524 3785 3585 3570
160m AS/OC: CW: TX: 1826.5 • RX: 1821.5
SSB: TX: 1850 • RX: 1838
RTTY: TX: 1842 • RX: 1838-1842
EU: TX: 1832.5 • RX: 1834.5
NA/SA: TX: 1832.5 • RX: 1834.5

TT - CHAD
Baldur,DJ6SI, is travelling to Africa again from Feb 14-24. This time
he will show up as TT8DX mostly in CW.
As usual the QSLs should be sent direct or via bureau to his homecall.

V3 - BELIZE
Torsten,DG7RO, plans to become active as V31TF mainly in SSB/RTTY (but
also in CW) on 160m-10m between Feb 9 and Mar 1. Torsten works in
"holiday style" with a FT-857, 100 watts, a dipole and a longwire.
He also plans to join the WPX RTTY Contest, ARRL DX CW Contest and the
CQWW 160m SSB Contest, maybe as V31GW.

V4 - ST CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS, NA-104
Mike,V4/W1USN, and Bob,V4/AA1M, will be QRV from St. Kitts (NA-104)
in SSB, CW and PSK31 from Feb 12-24. They plan to work also on 60m.
QSLs should be sent via bureau or direct to their homecalls.

5Z - KENYA
Sig,NV7E/ZS6SIG, who was working in Pretoria before will stay in Kenya
for the next four years. Sig has been licensed as 5Z4EE and plans to
be QRV on all bands from 160m-10m including the major contests.
QSL via NV7E, Charles Signer, Unit 8900 Box 226, DPO, AE 09831, USA
or via the W7 QSL bureau.

FRANCE, SPECIAL EVENT STATION
Francois,F8DVD, will be active as TM8AAW during the "8th Antarctic
Activity Week" from Feb 12-28. The callsign has the WAP reference 199.
Activities will take place mainly in SSB on 40m-10m.
QSL via F8DVD, direct or via bureau.
More information is available at: http://tm8aaw.monsite-orange.fr

SWITZERLAND, SPECIAL EVENT STATION
The club "Radio Amateurs Vaudois" (HB9MM) has the permission to use the
antennas of the former broadcasting station in Sottens. HE3OM is active
until the end of February. The bigger mast (188m high) is used on 160m,
80m and 40m while the smaller mast (125m high) is used on 137 kHz.
QSL via HB9TOB, more information at: http://www.hb9mm.com/sottens

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de
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After the Netherland Antilles have been added to the DXCC entity list
lately this list now includes 340 entries. Useful 10 band checklist
in the Doc, Excel or PDF format can be downloaded from:
http://www.dx-newsdesk.co.uk

The latest information about ZS8M can be found on the website:
http://www.iz8epy.it/html/zs8m.html
This site states that OM Pierre will go QRT on Apr 11, which is the
scheduled arriving date of the new team on Marion Island.

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Feb 11-13: YLRL YL-OM Contest
Feb 12/13: CQ WPX RTTY Contest
Feb 12/13: PACC Contest
Feb 12/13: KCJ Topband Contest
Feb 12/13: RSGB 1.8 MHz CW Contest
Feb 12: FISTS Spring Contest
Feb 13: North American Sprint Contest

IOTA collected by Fredy,DE0MST (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AF-004, EA8, Canary Islands: Per,EA8/LA5EAA, will be QRV from the Canary
Islands from Feb 13-26. He will activate Gomera Island (DIE S-014)
during the first week and Tenerife (DIE S-014) during the second week.
QSL via homecall (bureau/direct).

AF-017, 3B9, Rodrigues Island: Slavo,3B9/SP2JMB, and Bogdan,3B9/SP2FUD, will
activate Rodrigues during the WPX RTTY Contest from Feb 12-13.
QSLs via homecalls (bureau/direct).

NA-001, C6, Great Bahama Bank Group: Drew,N2RFA, is signing C6ABB from
Nassau on New Providence Island from Feb 7-17. QSL via homecall (d).

NA-072, HP, Panama/Darien Province Group: Kai,HP1/DL2BP, and Sven,HP1/DJ2ST,
are working from Contadora Island from Feb 6-17.
QSLs for both calls should be sent via DL2BP (bureau/direct).

NA-085, W4, FL State North Group: Dennis,WA2USA/4, is working from
St. George Island (USI FL0075) between Feb 3 and Mar 3.
QSL via homecall (bureau/direct).

NA-108, J6, St. Lucia: Volkmar,J6/DF2SS, and Marc,J6/DL1VKE, are QRV from
St. Lucia from Feb 5-17. QSLs via homecalls (bureau/direct).

OC-049, A3, Tongatapu Group: Akira,JA1NLX, announced to be active as A35A
from Fafa Island from Feb 4-9. QSL via homecall (d/B/LoTW/online log).

OC-086, KH0, Northern Mariana Islands: Bob,5B4AGN, will sign KH0/G3ZEM from
Saipan (USI NI002S) from Feb 9-16. QSL via M0URX (bureau/direct).

OC-139, VK5, SA State East Centre Group: Andrey,VK5MAV/6, plans to show up
from Kangaroo Island from Feb 15-21. QSL via homecall (bureau/direct).

SA-046, PY7, Pernambuco State Group: Members of the "Casa do Radioamador de
Pernambuco" (CRAPE) will sign PY7CRA from Itamaraca from Feb 11-13.
QSL via PY7CRA (bureau/direct).

SA-099, PJ2, Curacao Islands: EA1PP, EB1HF and EC1DPM want to be QRV as
PJ2/EA1PP from Curacao Island from Feb 11-16. QSL via EA1PP.

Lighthouse activities (WLOTA/ARLHS/ILLW)

C6ABB LH 1115 N. Providence Feb 7-17

EA8/LA5EAA LH 1526 Gomera Feb 13-26
EA8/LA5EAA LH 1276 Tenerife Feb 13-26
J38RF LH 0718 Grenada Feb 9-Mar 10
J6/DF2SS LH 1336 St. Lucia Feb 5-17
J6/DL1VKE LH 1336 St. Lucia Feb 5-17
KH2/JS6RRR LH 0064 Guam Feb 10-15
KH0/G3ZEM LH 1333 Saipan Feb 9-16
PJ2/EA1PP LH 0942 Curacao Feb 11-16
PJ2/EB1HF LH 0942 Curacao Feb 11-16
PJ2/EC1DPM LH 0942 Curacao Feb 11-16
PJ4/EA1PP LH 1279 Bonaire Feb 5-10
PJ4/EB1HF LH 1279 Bonaire Feb 5-10
PJ4/EC1DPM LH 1279 Bonaire Feb 5-10
S9DX LH 1622 Rolas Feb 4-17
W3STX/KH2 LH 0064 Guam Feb 10-15
3B9/SP2JMB LH 4265 Rodrigues Feb 12/13
3B9/SP2FUD LH 4265 Rodrigues Feb 12/13

Bandspots of the last 7 days

40m
EA7ICN/p 7.090 1637Z SOTA SS046
SV3IEG/p 7.140 1253Z SOTA PL138
VP8ORK 7.024 0450Z AN-008, via VE3XN (B)

30m
CN8IG 10.108 1630Z via EA7FTR
EM44U 10.115 0649Z UT7UT
S9DX 10.116 0025Z AF-023, via DL1RTL (B)
1A0KM 10.110 1437Z via IK0FTA (L)
5N7M 10.120 1702Z via OM3CGN (B)

20m
S9DX 14.011 0943Z via DL1RTL (B)
S9DX 14.211 1335Z via DL1RTL (B)
TC2011EWU 14.004 1046Z (B)
UK6AC 14.050 0757Z
VP8ORK 14.024 1832Z AN-008, via VE3XN (B)

17m
PJ6/G4IUF 18.079 1426Z NA-145, via G4IUF (B)
S9DX 18.086 1351Z via DL1RTL (B)
VP8ORK 18.070 1441Z AN-008, via VE3XN (B)

15m
EA8/DL3KVR 21.015 1600Z DL3KVR (B)
VP8ORK 21.295 1422Z AN-008, via VE3XN (B)
Z21BB 21.006 0948Z via W3HNK (d)
4K9W 21.019 0953Z via DL6KVA (B)

12m
VP8ORK 24.892 1151Z AN-008, via VE3XN (B)

ZD7FT 24.940 1520Z (d)

* ?ew QSL manager
(d) ?nly direct
(B) ?ureau ok
(L) ?oTW
(r) ?ureau QSL via e-mail request

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

04Feb-24Feb 3B8/SP2FUD.. 1713
18Feb-22Feb 3B9/SP2FUD.. 1713
-Mar 3D2HC 1710
-Dec 3Y8XSA 1700
-13Mar 4S7KKG 1706
-25Oct 5B50J 1700
08Feb-08Mar 5H/IK2GZU 1713

01Feb-31Mar 6W2SC/J5UAP 1712
05Feb-26Feb 6W/HA0NAR & J5 1713
-Apr/12 5Z4RH ? 1674
26Jan-14Feb 8P9ME & 8P9UR 1712
05Feb-18Feb 8Q7AK 1713
-Sep 9J2KK 1682
26Jan-Feb 9K50 1712
-Apr 9M2MRS 1697
-Feb 9M2QQ.. 1710
NOW 9M6/KM9D 1699
SOON 9Q1EK 1669
-Nov 9Q6CC 1699

04Feb-09Feb A35AY 1713
12Jan?09Feb A6/VE6LB 1710
-Aug A92IO 1663
-31Dec BP100 1684
-31Dec BV100 1684
07Feb-17Feb C6ABB 1713
03Feb-09Feb C6AWS 1713
Feb CJ1 & CK1 1713
-01May CN2PV 1714 *
-31Dec CW5RV 1711

-May D2AK 1675
-17Mar D2AM 1710
-22Apr D2QR 1675
-Feb D2SG 1692
02Feb?09Feb D44TBE 1713
-31Aug DL20Y2DM 1700
20Jan-08Mar EA8/IK1PMR.. 1712
13Feb-26Feb EA8/LA5EAA 1714 *

03Feb-15Feb FK/DL2NUD.. 1713
-Aug FO8RZ 1636
-Jul/12 FR8NE 1710

13Jan-12Apr H44MS 1710
-31Dec HB60LU 1711
Feb HE3OM 1714 *
01Jan-31Dec HG200LST 1708
-30Jun HG2011A 1713
26Jan-27Feb HI0RCD 1712
06Feb-18Feb HI/HB9OAU 1713
10Jan-07Mar HK3JCL 1709
06Feb-17Feb HP1/DL2BP.. 1714 *
20Jan-10Feb HS0ZJF/8 1711
11Feb-20Feb HS0ZJF/9 1711
01Jan-31Dec IA7MM 1708
01Jan-31Dec II1ITA.. 1708
01Jan-31Mar IO7DAI 1708

-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul/12 J28RO 1683
09Feb-10Mar J37BO & J37RO 1714 *
09Feb-10Mar J37RF 1714 *
05Feb-17Feb J6/DF2SS.. 1713
01Feb-09Feb J79FF 1712
04Feb-18Feb JW8HGA.. 1713
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
POSTPONED KH5 1674/1705
09Feb-16Feb KH0/G3ZEM 1713
-31Dec LA200D 1713
-31Mar LM11SKI 1713
NOW LU1ZA (S.O.) 1695

-20Feb OA4/DL1NL 1713
-Mar OA/OE3NHW 1701
10Nov-24Feb OR4TN 1700
-Sep P29CW 1713
01Jan-31Dec PA30.. 1708
-Mar PJ2/DF7DQ 1712
11Feb-16Feb PJ2/EA1PP.. 1713
30Jan-11Feb PJ2/OE3JAG 1712
05Feb-10Feb PJ4/EA1PP.. 1713
09Feb- PJ4/N4RR 1714 *
27Jan-03Mar PJ6/G4IUF 1712
11Feb-13Feb PY7CRA 1714 *
15Feb-22Feb PZ5P 1714 *
-Dec RI1ANC 1708
04Feb-17Feb S9DX 1713

NOW T30HC 1713
08Feb-22Feb T30 (N7OU..) 1713

2010 -May T6JC & T6TL 1695
10Feb-15Feb T88SM & T88HS 1714 *
10Feb-20Feb TJ9PF 1714 *
14Feb-24Feb TT8DX 1714 *
12Feb-28Feb TM8AAW 1714 *
09Feb-01Mar V31TF 1714 *
-Feb V31YN & V31GW 1710
12Feb-24Feb V4/W1USN.. 1714 *
05Feb-12Feb V55DLH 1713
Nov -Mar/12 VK0KEV (Macq) 1700/1701
15Feb-21Feb VK5MAV/5 1714 *
26Jan-02Mar VY0JA 1712

10Feb-15Feb W3STX/KH2.. 1714 *
15Fe-22Feb W0S (KH0) 1714 *
-03Mar WA2USA/4 1714 *
NOW XT2RJA 1712
23Feb-08Mar XU7AFU 1711
-Sep ZD9GI 1691
-31Dec ZL50GH 1711
01Jan-31Mar ZL50VK 1708
-11Apr ZS8M 1674/1711

* new or updated
.. and other calls

QSL information

A35AY via JA1NLX (B), (L)
A61Q via EA7FTR
A65BP via UA6MF (B)
CE1TT via EA5KB (B)
CP6AA via IK6SNR (B)
CS2C via OK1RF
CX3TQ via IK2DUW (B)
D44TBE via IK5CRH (B), (L)
E7/DJ1YFK via DJ1YFK (B)
E70WFF via E77E (B)
EE5URW via EA5URW (B)
EE7HMC via EA7HMC (B)
EM50IYG via UT2IY
GB2RNLI via G4YHP (B)
GX4GZ via G4YHP (B)
HB9MUBA via HB9 bureau
HE3OM via HB9TOB
HG0WFF via HA0HW (B)
HI3/W1JNZ via W1JNZ
IP1METEO via IQ1BP (B)
IS0RXF (d)
J79VG via KC4VG (L), eQSL
LU/IW1FC via IZ1MLQ (B)

LX/ON5QRP/p via ON5QRP (B)
M6T via G4PIQ
N1Y via K1NIU
OA4/DL1NL via DL1NL (B)
OE1KIDS via OE1XIC (B)
OE50RJJ via OE9RJJ (B)
OE6MBG (d) or NR1R (B), (L)
OE/DJ1YFK via DJ1YFK (B)
OK5Z via OK2ZI (B), (L)
OZ2SPACE via OZ7AKT (B)
PA100SCOUT via PC2S (B)
PA11HNY via PA7LZ (B)
PA30EBP via PA3EBP (B), (L)
PA65ISWL via PA0FAW (B)
PD30GWF via PD1GWF (B)
PE10MERRY via PA3ATN (B)
PI30ETL via PA1CPA (B)
PJ2/DF7DQ via EA5GVH (B), eQSL
PJ4/EA1PP via EA1PP (B)
V55DLH via DK8ZZ (B)
4L0CR via DL8KAC (B)
4Z20HC via 4Z4TL (B)
5C2P via IK2PZC (B), (L)
9K50FM via 9K2FM (B)
9K50GS via EA5KB (d)

(d) Only direct
(B) Bureau ok
(*) New QSL manager
(L) Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) E-mail request

QSLs arrived direct: KH2/N2NL (W2YC), OY1CT, UN7AB (DL8KAC)

SOUTH SUDAN TO BECOME A NEW DXCC ENTITY?

As stated earlier there was a referendum held in Sudan to find out whether
the south of the country should become an own country. With an overwhelming
majority of more than 99 % the population voted for the separation of the
south. South Sudan was an own DXCC counter before and may find its way onto
the DXCC Entity List again soon.
More information about the referendum can be found online at:
http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-africa-12201063

MORE THAN 30 MILLION QSOs IN THE DARC CONTEST LOGBOOK (DCL)

The number of QSOs which can be confirmed in the German DARC Contest Logbook
increased to more than 30 million QSOs in January. This makes the German
DARC Contest Logbook nearly as big as the American Logbook of the World
which has 36 million QSOs in it. A big part of the increase comes from the
CQ WPX Contests with the logs made available by the contest manager K5ZD.

The WAE Contest logs of the past year extend the database as well and makes the application of awards as easy as some clicks. Until now there have been 1.422 awards issued including the Worked All Continents (WAC) with 308 awwards. All in all this is a positive result after one year operation of the German DARC Contest Logbook (DCL).
More information can be found on the website: http://www.dxhf.darc.de/~dcl

ARISSat-1 ARRIVES AT THE INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION (ISS)

A Russian Progress transporter of the type Typ M-09M docked to the ISS on Jan 30 with the new amateur radio satellite ARISSat-1 onboard. If all plans go well the satellite will be put to space on Feb 16.

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133. HOT BEST YOUTH VIDEOS

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134. SEXY HOT GIRLS

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Date: 2011-02-08 15:22:35 UTC
From: SAMARA <jaidatta9247@gmail.com>
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135. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2011-003RAC Field Organization Review - VPFS Council announces appointments.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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Message-ID: <4D51C8BE.8070302@rac.ca>
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RAC Bulletin 2011-003RAC Field Organization Review - VPFS Council announces appointments.
2011-02-08

As you may be aware, in November 2010 a review of the RAC Field Organization was begun to research and reform many aspects of the ARES in Canada. We have been meeting regularly by teleconference, and I would like to thank the many volunteers who have come forward. I am especially pleased to announce the following appointments:

Chairman of the "Mission" working group (WG) - Garry Jacobs VE6CIA - Section Manager Manitoba (Advisor - Doug Mein VA3DM)

Chairman of the "Training Specification" working group (WG) - Allan Boyd VE3AJB - Section Manager Ontario (Advisor - Ian Snow VA3QT)

Chairman of the "Census" working group (WG) - James King VE3ETZ
Secretary - Peter Wetton VA3PRW

Many thanks to all of you for agreeing to assist with this important project. Please watch the RAC website, bulletins and the RAC Blog for +updates as this project moves forward.

73

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136. [RAC-Bulletin] Special Event Staion VY1T - Teslin Historical and Museum ,Society . Grand Opening of Aeradio Exhibit.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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Special Event Staion VY1T - Teslin Historical and Museum
Society . Grand Opening of Aeradio Exhibit.
2011-02-08

The VY1T Special Event Station will be on the air from June 29,
2011 to July 1, 2011 for the Grand Opening of Aeradio Exhibit at the
Teslin Historical and Museum Society in Teslin, YT.

VY1EI Eric our resident contester, will use VY1T on June 29th from
Whitehorse. Club Station VY1T will be on the air from Teslin
Yukon, at the George Johnson Museum June 30th from early morning
to late afternoon. VY1T will be on the air from Whitehorse on Canada
Day as a club station. QSL will be available

On June 30th please find us on 20 meters around 14.180 or so, also may
try 14.140

QSL via Hugh Henderson, VY1EEN at P.O. Box 33062, Whitehorse,
YT Y1A 5Y5

More information to be found on the Yukon Amateur Radio Association
website at <http://www.yara.ca/> or contact Ron McFadyen at
<mcfadyen@northwestel.net>

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On June 30th 2011, The Teslin Historical and Museum Society, owner and
operator of the George Johnston Museum, Mile 804 Alaska Highway,
Teslin, will host a large gathering to celebrate the Grand Opening of
its historical and (now) unique Aeradio Navigation Range Building
(1941), with its interior exhibits.

The exhibits tell the story of Teslin from 1940-55 when its quiet and
simple northern village life was overturned with the coming of RCAF
Teslin base, the Aeradio Navigation Range, and the Alcan Highway.
The story is told with transmitters, other artefacts, text and
photographs inside a rare 1941 radio range air navigation building.

We would be delighted if Yukon ham operators, former DOT telegraphers,
amateur radio and radio telecommunication enthusiasts would attend the
Opening. We feel that this is appropriate because DOT staff of RCAF
Teslin not only handled hundreds of thousands, perhaps millions, of
radio messages from 1940-55 but because they were avid amateur radio
hams on their off duty hours. They controlled this aeradio building
and were central to Teslin's wartime role.

The Society will welcome dignitaries and guests, such as yourselves, to Teslin for a formal ribbon-cutting, a sit-down traditional Dominion Day Silver Tea, to view other new exhibits inside the Museum, a display of ham radio (so popular in the 1940s) and other events recalling that era in Teslin. Guests will be invited to "make a day of it" and visit the local high-quality Yukon Wildlife Gallery and Teslin Tlingit Council's elegant Heritage Centre exhibits. This invitation is a preview to the formal invitation to be sent in Spring of 2011.

Should you wish to arrange overnight accommodation, please contact Yukon Motel (1 867- 390 2443), Teslin Lake Motel (-390 2521) or Dawson Peaks (-390-2244) for a selection of rooms, cabins and meals. Teslin Lake offers superb trout, grayling, burbot and pike fishing. Charters and leisure boat rides are available. Excursions for small groups can be arranged by the Museum.

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138. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-10 00:50:23 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <86011637-01cb-4393-8ffd-f7b677e42eac@d12g2000vbz.googlegroups.com>
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On Feb 8, 3:31 am, 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdg...@gmail.com> wrote:
> ALL HOT PHOTOS SUPER SeXY
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139. Beauty Kisses

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Date: 2011-02-10 09:15:07 UTC
From: SAMARA <jaidatta9247@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <1cad3bd1-6eaa-405b-a0c3-35fb7bd596dd@i40g2000yqh.googlegroups.com>
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140. MMMonVHF Newsletter 2011-02-10

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-10 13:31:18 UTC
From: MMMonVHF News Mailer <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <201102101229.p1ACTFjo004402@server13.web4a.de>
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Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our lastet NEWSLETTER of the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2011-02-10
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter one or two times per week.
For further detail please be so kind and refer at our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - welcome and enjoy ...

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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** The 144 MHz EME NewsLetter - Current Issue February 2011 **

Since 2003 DF2ZC publishes the 144 MHz EME NewsLetter. This is
a free service for the EME community. Bernd, DF2ZC, informed us
that the latest edition of the EME-Newsletter is now available
at: http://www.df2zc.de/newsletter - emenl201102 [1.005 KB] 73
SOURCE: tnx to Bernd, DF2ZC to MMMonVHF

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: FK8 ; Square: RG37 ; Start: 2011-01-16 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3638

Hermann, DL2NUD, will be on EME-Tour again in begin of the year
2011. That time he is acompanied by Stefan,DL9GRE, who will be
qrv on HF. LATEST NEWS from Hermann, DL2NUD, dated 2011-02-10:
After a last test on 23cm yesterday (9th febr.) with one succsess
full QSO (to HB9Q) Hermann did close the expedition astonishing
for all, today - maybe we will hear abt. the reason later...
SOURCE: Hermann, DL2NUD via Dith, DF7KF direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: HS0 ; Square: OK16 ; Start: 2011-02-06 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3638
MMMonVHF-DX-Blog: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/showblog.php?ca=HS0ZIL

LATEST NEWS from Karsten: Today Setup finish!!! QRV until 16th
march!!!The next days i will try to build the additional 2 Yagis

if the time allows it!!! First sigs from the moon:
061200 2 -24 2.0 234 2 * CQ UA4HTS LO43 - Station is working!!
SOURCE: tnx to Karsten, DL2LAH/HS0ZIL direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: ZL ; Square: RF73 ; Start: 2011-02-10 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3693

ZL/YU7AA Jozef is these days at New Zealand - Info from N0UK-Chat:
07:03 ZL/YU7AA Jozef Any big 1 for test pse 5W from RF73hc
06:57 ZL/YU7AA Jozef QRV toooday loc RF73 hc 1x5 WL yu7EF=250 W H/V
SOURCE: Jozef, YU7AA via N0UK-Chat

** DXCC: C56 ; Square: IK13 ; Start: 2011-02-11 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3654

LATEST Update from the C56-Team, dated 2011-02-06: C56EME will be
QRV soon from The Gambia (Locator: IK13ql) Rig is 2 x 8 Xpol yagi,
TS-2000, WA2ODO preamp and enough EME power. Frequency: TX/RX
144.124 MHz. C56EME always first. We'll also take a small 70cm
setup (23 elem. yagi) with us hoping to get some big guns in our
log. We leave February 9th and build up the station before the
weekend. We try to put our first signals Friday February 11th to
the moon. KYFC. We want to be active at least during two whole
weekends. The first weekend the conditions will be poor to
moderate, so all big guns can be worked easily, starting Febr. 15th
the condx will become excellent! and at that time we have plenty of
time to concentrate us on the weaker ones. And you know: we'll never
give up untill a QSO has been made! Last operation presumably
February 21st There's a good possibility for internet/loggers...
If so, we will connect to Nï¿½UK so now and than. We also want to
make small impressions on YouTube on a regular basis if possible.
See our website http://www.emelogger.com/gambia with the latest
updates/log/news and further info about the team members.
73 from team C56EME. CU soon via the moon! PE1L Rene, PA3CEE Eltje,
PE9DX Johan - SOURCE: tnx to Rene, PE1L, direct to MMMonVHF
Tips how to QSO with them: www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3654

** DXCC: GD ; Square: IO74 ; Start: 2011-04-09 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3692

Frank DH7FB & Bernd DF2ZC qrv from GD in april 2011
Hello All, as announced already in 2010 Frank DH7FB and Bernd
DF2ZC are activating the Isle of Man (DXCC GD) this year.
We will be QRV from IO74RH, the Close Taggart cottages
http://www.closetaggart.co.uk/ The schedule is: 8/9 April
transfer from Berlin respectively JO30RN via Dunkerque " Dover "
Oxford (where we ll stay the night) " Heysham " Douglas/Isle of

Man to the DXpedition location where we should arrive around 1800Z
on the 9th. The following morning we ll set up the equipment and
should be ready by moonrise on the 10th which is at 0930Z. Our
final activity will be moonset on the 13th (0300Z) unless we deem
it necessary to be QRV also from moonrise on the 13th (1330Z) for
another two hours or so before we break down the station.
SOURCE: tnx to Bernd, DF2ZC direct to MMMonVHF
Read more at:http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3692

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
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** E3, ERITREA Expedition in 2012 **

It looks like a E30 DXpedition is planned for 2012. The last
operation, E30GA, took place from Asmara in November 1998.
Currently the information is limited -- no operators and specific
dates were provided. The only thing available via the below Web
page is activity will be on 160-6 meters, including 30/17/12 meter
bands, with operations on CW, SSB and RTTY. The unknown team will
have at least 4 stations on the air at the same time on different
bands and modes. The callsign is also not clear on the Web page (is
it E30A or E30AA). However, the below Web page states, that the
QSL Manager for E30A is S52RU. The Web for the 2012 DXpedition
(still under construction) is: www.seecc.net/Eritrea2012/index.html
There is a survey for "bands needs" available on the Web page.
Hopefully, more info will be forthcoming. Stay tuned!
SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #997

** 4A4A DXpedition - Revillagigedo (XF4) **

Dear friends: The Revillagigedo (XF4) March 2011 DXpediton has been
finally officially announced. The assigned callsign is "4A4A". See
the web site: http://www.revillagigedo2011.com/ The team leader,
and expedition organizer, is Marcos, XE1B and the QSL manager is
David: EB7DX (see: http://www.eb7dx.com). Confirmation will only be
DIRECT and LOTW. A team of 9 operators (see the official web site
for operators details) will operate from "Isla Socorro" from the
4th to the 19th of March 2011. Isla Socorro, iota NA-030, (off.
"Benito Juarez" island) is located -aprox- at longitude 111ï¿½ West
and latitude 18ï¿½ 46ï¿½ North. WAZ zone 6. ITU zone 10. Loc is DK48MS
Because propagation conditions are still low or average we must
make an special effort to optimize the DX windows. I have prepared
some "propagation movies" (one per band) for Revillagigedo to help
those with less experience estimate the best times/bands to work
4A4A. You can see the movies in my YouTube "channel":
http://www.youtube.com/user/EA4AK - Read all in details at:

http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3691
SOURCE: Santos Rodrï¿½guez, EA4AK via ICPO

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... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next thursday 2359 UTC ...

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like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USER who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/kontact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
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141. LB573 - Rotating Amber Light Bill Hearing (was Re: Legislative Update (was Re: LB719 Hearing (was Re: Flashing Light Bill Amendment Introduced (Nebraska))))

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-10 14:47:25 UTC
From: ARRL Members Only Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20110210133811.06AC420A49@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 4831
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,oma.general,nebr.misc,rec.radio.info

This is a "heads-up" that the bill to allow Nebraska Storm Spotters to use flashing amber lights will be reviewed at a hearing by the Transportation and Telecommunications Committee on February 15, 2011.

The hearing is scheduled for 1:30pm at the Capitol in Room 1113.

You can get a pdf copy of the bill at the following URLs:

The Nebraska State Legislature website:

http://nebraskalegislature.gov/bills/view_bill.php?DocumentID=12373

or from my website:

http://www.ctwsoft.com/arrlne/LB573.pdf

This bill follows up on an attempt made last session to modify a new law to allow Storm Spotters to use flashing amber lights. It has been reviewed by ARRL's legislative affairs office. I've received both positive and negative comments from hams in Nebraska. These were all thoughtful and had merit. Whether for or against the bill, you can make suggestions to modify the bill and improve any resulting law.

If you would like to testify in person about LB573, your contributions would be appreciated. If you would like to submit comments in writing (via email), please follow the advice of Jim Harper, KCØSHZ, that I emailed earlier. Jim suggested:

1. Send your comments to the Chair of the Transportation and Telecommunications Committee, Sen. Fischer. Her email address is: dfischer@leg.ne.gov

2. Include the bill number (LB573) and the phrase "Testimony for the Record" in the subject line. Also indicate whether the testimony is in favor or opposed to the bill. For example, you can write

"LB573 - Testimony for the Record (in favor)" or "LB573 - Testimony for the Record (opposed)"

73, Art KØAIZ

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142. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-10 18:10:35 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <6bc3ad34-7652-432e-93b5-d62fcad2427e@a8g2000pri.googlegroups.com>
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143. WIANEWS FOR WEEK COMMENCING FEB 13 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-10 20:12:06 UTC
From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
Message-ID: <be291ede-41d0-4652-b275-69e80e8302df@smxsrv01.vintek.net>
Source record: 4833
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WIANEWS FOR WEEK COMMENCING FEB 13 2011.

ALL THESE STORIES UP AND COMING IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS
INSTITUTE OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING FEBRUARY 13 2011.

PERTH IS BURNING

Our 160 meter rebroadcaster in Perth has told us how fires were burning in the
hills North and South of Perth, Rolystone repeater was still working for the
news relay, a fire fighter was injured when hit by a truck near Rolystone and
Tic Hill repeater was still working at this point in time.

CB UHF was change to CH 8 instead of CH 4 that stopped working last Sunday
evening, reports say fires were close to that repeater.

More than 60 homes have been destroyed and a fire-fighter injured in bushfires
burning out of control around Perth.

The bushfires are in the Perth hills to the east of the city, and at the edge
of the Swan Valley to the north

Your WIA news has not to date received any official WICEN news reports on
the recent floods cyclone nor fires but this report from the South African
equivalent of WICEN, HAMNET shows how the catastrophes' in VK is
world wide news.

HAMNET is a voluntary group of South African amateur radio operators who make their unique communication skills available to assist and help others in distress during and after disasters.

HAMNET is represented on the sub-committee of the South African Search & Rescue Organisation so as you see is a MOST respected organisation.

Listen now to this report from Hamnet's National Director, Francois Botha, ZS6BUU.

"Cyclone 'Yasi' was the reason why many towns on the Australian East Coast had to be evacuated with Townsville being hard hit.

It was calculated that as many as 30,000 houses could be flooded by the cyclone and damage could run into billions. Queensland as been the focus of attention for long time and amateur radio emergency operators were active in the 40M band monitoring the situation and prepared to pass traffic.

The cyclone has now changed into a 'tropical low' and headed west across Australia with warnings of flash floods in places like Alice Springs and Barkly who are normally very dry areas. People have been warned to be on the alert for at least the next 24 to 48 hours as the storm peters out over the mainland.

Reporting for Hamnet this is Francois Botha - ZS6BUU.

This written report in from VK4ZZ in Townville helps bring us up to date.

"Yasi spares Green Street club rooms but clobbers Mount Stuart.

Severe Tropical Yasi crossed the Queensland Cassowary Coast and tried its best to blow away the communities directly in line with its path on the coast and a fair way inland.

It decimated whole areas of electricity supply grids knocking out household and commercial mains supplies for an extended period.

At the TARC Club Rooms mains supply was cut however the club station was powered off the Townsville State Emergency Service HQ Emergency Power Supply for the duration of the outage. Only equipment casualties were the unfastening of one end of the long wire receiving antenna and the slight skewing of the VHF Co-Linear.

A different story unfolds however for the TARC Amateur Radio Repeater Site at Mount Stuart which also houses a commercial co-sitee and the SES CH1 Repeater.

Severe wind gusts took out the high tension mains supply cables for Mount Stuart in five places, with a forecast that repairs could take months. Those severe wind gusts also took out the VK4RAT 2metre Repeater Co-Linear antenna, breaking the antenna at the base and shredding the radome. Despite the damage the antenna was still serviceable right up until the repeater system reserve batteries going flat sometime on Monday afternoon February 7th.

With the regional repeater system silenced by lack of electrons, alternative arrangements have been put into place for local hams in the Townsville area to maintain contact on 146.5MHz and 439MHz simplex FM and there is also an active VHF USB net on 144.150MHz from 2130UTC daily.

The TARC WICEN VHF repeater has been brought online, located at the VK4ZZ Borg Cube with a no break power supply and connection to an antenna well above the suburban tree line.

The repeater frequency is 147.150MHz with positive 600kHz shift.

The Sunday Night NQ Net Retransmission will utilise this repeater until further notice".

Now up the road apiece to Dale VK4DMC.

"G'day again, this is Dale VK4DMC for the Tablelands Radio and Electronics Club, TREC, in Far North Queensland.

Yes we're still here - YASI did her best to blow us away but Far North Queensland hams are a resilient lot. We survived, albeit some of us suffering various degrees of damage.

Category 5 Tropical Cyclone Yasi crossed the coast near Mission Beach south of Cairns in the early hours of Wednesday morning packing wind speeds of around 295 kph. The cyclone then travelled inland passing over the Atherton Tablelands and areas to the south including Ingham and Townsville before heading west.

Local amateurs were well prepared for this event, antennas were lowered, emergency power and transceivers setup and tested as well as ensuring that their homes were secure, memories of cyclone Larry in 2006 are still fresh in our minds.

Some local amateurs evacuated to safe centres. JohnVK4JKL, Gary VK4FD, Jeff VK4BOF, Paul VK4ZJD to name just a few. They were stranded then due to flooded rivers and blocked roads.

Fortunately reports from FNQ hams have been positive with little or minor damage being wrought by Yasi. Trees down, gardens wrecked and in a couple of cases towers and antennas smashed. Wind speeds of 200kph were reported in Atherton.

Paul VK4ZJD who lives at Tully Heads was extremely fortunate with his house being only one of a few in the area that survived and with relatively minor damage. A shed was wrecked as well as the garden being totally redesigned into a twisted mess with mud and sand everywhere. Paul was back on air the next day.

Amateurs living on the coast received the brunt of the cyclone. Areas mainly to the south of Innisfail including the Tully region, Cardwell and Ingham were seriously affected. Townsville also experienced cyclonic conditions but with lesser wind speeds and fortunately with no major damage being reported. Many areas suffered and are still suffering significant power interruptions and also loss of other essential services such as water and phone etc.

It was fantastic to see the response from fellow amateurs who set up listening watches mainly on 40 and 80 metres in particular the guys from Rockhampton who set up a station at the top of the Mt. Morgan range and were there all night. Also stations in Atherton, Townsville, Mackay, Toowoomba and Brisbane were there throughout to lend a hand with emergency traffic if needed. Well done to all and it was comforting for those of us in the path of Yasi to know that you were there and chat with you from time to time. Thanks Guys for the sterling effort.

Visit the TREC website at www.treclub.org.au for club information and you can also download the latest monthly news in TREC-NEWS.

This has been Dale VK4DMC and you are listening to the WIA news.

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web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news

Central Coast Amateur Radio Club Field day at Wyong

Hello everyone, and welcome from the members of the Central Coast Amateur Radio Club, my name is Rod - VK2FVRJ

There only 2 weeks to go until Amateur Radio's Big Day out

The CCARC Field day will be held at Wyong Race course on Sunday 27th February

Admission is Adults $12 with free admission for those under 17.

Special Note To ease your entry to the Race Course could you please have the correct entry fee ready for the gate keepers.

Gates will open at 6.30 am to allow entry and setup for Traders / Exhibitors and Flea Marketeers

The Trader / Exhibitor areas will open to the public at 9am.

The Bistro will open at 8am for the early arrivals.

Most major suppliers of amateur radio and electronic equipment will be there as will representatives of various amateur radio groups, clubs and emergency organisations.

There will also be displays from WIRES and the Central Coast Pottery Society.

Amateur radio examinations will be conducted on the day by Brian Kelly who can be contacted on 04 1865 9043 for further information.

All this, plus raffles, seminars, free tea and coffee.

For help on the day, there will directions and information on the local VHF repeater, 146.725MHz, with a 91.5 sub tone.

For further information and regular updates, please go to the Field Day website, www.fieldday.org.au or email Central Coast Amateur Radio Club ccarc@ccarc.org.au

So don't miss out! Come along and grab a bargain!

CCARC Field Day Dinner

To be held at Club Riverside - Wyong Bowling Club in Panonia Rd Wyong, on Saturday 26th February commencing at 6pm.

Dinner will be a 2 course buffet with drinks at bar prices.

Dinner bookings are essential, please contact the Central Coast Amateur Radio Club on 02 4340 2500 by Thursday the 17 February at the absolute latest

In the case of insufficient numbers for the buffet dinner we may have to revert to ordering your own meal from the bistro.

JUST TO REPEAT

Sydney based 2 metre beacon VK2RSY was off line earlier this month following a failure in the PA stage. It was restored last Monday.

It operates on 144.420 MHz in the CW mode.

Reports on this beacon or any other of the VK2RSY systems from 10 metres through to 23 centimetres are always welcome and can be sent by email to callbacks@arnsw.org.au

or by mail to P. O. Box 6044
Dural Delivery Centre
NSW 2158

LOKI - great mischief-maker from Norse mythology.

Loki is the name of the edge of space balloon experiment that Tamworth Radio Club members & Tamworth Oxley Scout members will be launching in the coming weeks.

Loki-1 is to be a balloon filled with hydrogen that will carry a 1 kilogram payload of:
• APRS equipment for tracking & flight data,
• A camera set to take photo's at 1 minute intervals,
• Sensors to record temp & radiation
• Paper aircraft that will be dropped from a height of approx. 30 kilometres with information on them from the members of the Tamworth Oxley Scout Group.

• OH AND THE PASSENGER.. 1 cockroach has been suggested.

This is the first time the Tamworth Radio Club has taken on a project like this. The local scout group when asked if they wished to be involved responded with so much enthusiasm it was hard to keep everyone calm. (the larger adult type kids seemed to be the most excited). The comment of "can we really do this!!" was heard more than once.

The Tamworth radio club has installed 7 ground stations around the North West and New England regions of NSW that will be used to receive APRS data from LOKI-1 then transferring this to the internet for live tracking via the APRS network. It is expected that LOKI-1 will reach an altitude of 30 kilometres or 100,000 feet in the old scale giving the craft a radio horizon of 700 kilometres

As airspace is heavily regulated regarding its use negotiations are well in hand with Australia's airspace regulator the Civil Aviation Safety Authority, or CASA and air traffic controllers regarding a host of regulations that need to be complied with regarding the flight of the balloon through controlled airspace.

Non compliance with all the necessary regulations have large and hefty fines along with a optional holiday in gaol. Controlled airspace starts at various altitudes above ground depending on where you are, up to 60,000 feet. Most jet passenger aircraft cruise at an altitude between 25,000 and 40,000 feet. How would anyone get to see the photos if the little baby craft gets swallowed and shredded by a big nasty jet engine.

Up to date information can be found on Tamworth Radio Club's web site www.trci.org.au, then follow the links to projects.

VK2BOZ is publicity officer and VK2YGV project director.

(sourced to vk2sky)

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VK4 SILENT KEYS @ 2010 - 2011 QAC YEAR

VK4MWT Tom Bowden November 14 2010 Advised by Gavin VK4ZZ
VK4SS Alan Shawsmith November 23 2010 Advised by Stephen VK4JSS
VK4CK Colin King December 30 2010 Advised by Gary VK4AR
VK4AMO Mike O'Callaghan January 02 2011 advised by Dale VK4DMC
VK4HER Dawn Sebbens January 09 2011 advised by Margaret VK4AOE
VK4DI Len Effeney February 01 2011 advised by Clive VK4ACC

Tuesday 1st February 2011 Len Effeney VK4DI of Rockhampton became Silent Key.

At the age of 83, Len was one of the "old guard", being licensed for approximately 65 years, throughout which time he continued his membership of the Wireless Institute of Australia.

CW on the HF bands remained his passion and forte and a fellow club member described his transmissions as "music".

He was a family man, married with six sons and one daughter, with at least three sons obtaining amateur licences.

Len worked in the railway for a number of years with several children completing university qualifications, quite unusual in those days and an indication of Len and his wife Pauline's vision.

Although Len's health had failed markedly, he still attended the Queensland President's Luncheon last November where he was presented with a WIA long service medal by WIA President Michael Owen VK3KI.

Len's Funeral Service was held on 7th February at St. Peters Catholic Church, Rockhampton, prior to a private family committal.

Vale Leonard William (Len) Effeney VK4DI, Silent Key.

Welcome to QNews from VK4WIA. I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP, and I've been thinking.

Just after the turn of the century, the insurance industry released the findings of a study it had commissioned. This told of the expected increase in severe weather conditions, in the coming years. Almost a decade on we are grappling with summer fires and the weeping of La Nina. This is all too in the face.

Until now, it seems this report has gathered dust under the vollies of climate change debates. Even the position of the amateur radio community in the civil defence structure seems to have waned and government agencies have been equipped with their own communications infrastructure.

One thing that remains true of the amateur fraternity is that the hobby provides a skill base of knowledge on procedures and technology. The new WIA emcom certificate course is designed to build on that base and allow first responders to be relieved and deployed outside of the comms centre.

Some of the students in this course have told me of the enthusiasm they are finding for a new way of aiding their community. If you're old enough, remember the refrain "times they are changing".

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think....how about you?

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GYMPIE
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Trevor Taege, VK4BAT

I'm Trevor Taege, VK4BAT with news from the Gympie Communications & Electronics Group:

Weather permitting, the Gympie Group will again be at Mt. Wolvi for this year's John Moyle Memorial Field Day Contest. If the forecast is reasonable, the Club will go for a 24 hour stint on the Mountain. If the weather is marginal, a

6 hour contest entry will be submitted as was the case last year.

The Gympie 2 metre repeater continues to operate well on Mt. Boulder but with still just an occasional burst of commercial interference.
The members continue to work to improve the situation whilst trying to avoid going to CTCSS tone access.
It's been difficult because of two commercial frequencies having a 600 KHz channel spacing. It's been proven that when the right combination of transmitters are on, the mixing is most likely occurring in the adjacent commercial site only a few metres away. Work progresses as time and weather allows but each change needs a few weeks of test running because the problem is now rarely heard. Thanks goes to the Gladstone Group who have tuned and sent down a dual port ferrite isolator to help identify and eliminate the problem.
The solar powered repeater was fitted with brand new batteries in December and they're holding up very well especially during the extremely wet and overcast weather of late.

Welcome to Isaac, the Club's newest member and congratulations on that brand new F call - VK4FIBN.

The next meeting of the Gympie Communications and Electronics Group will be on Thursday 3rd of March but please check our website or with a member as by then there may be a new location for meetings.

For Gympie Area News, I'm Trevor Taege, VK4BAT.

ROCKHAMPTON
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http://www.radarc.cjb.net/

Greetings from the Rockhampton and District Amateur Radio Club, The RADAR Club. I'm Les VK4VIL.

While Cyclone Yasi ravaged North Queensland recently, RADAR Club members staged a combined effort to provide radio support if needed.

As the cyclone approached the coast, an HF Listening Post, suitable for receiving QRP signals was set up on the Mt Morgan Range, west of Rockhampton. Dave, VK4DJC who regularly frequents the site, coordinated operations and was assisted by Jason VK4FJGS and Jack VK4JRC in setting up the camp and portable equipment and ensuing non-stop surveillance overnight and well into the next morning.

Ray VK4HOT completed a lone overnight vigil at the Club's Heritage Village station VK4CHV while Mike VK4LMB, Frank VK4FLR, Jeff VK4NJB monitored from their home QTHs.

The RADAR club effort was co-ordinated with VK4BS Howard at Kuranda and Gavin VK4ZZ in Townsville. Contacts were made with Dale VK4DMC of Atherton via their club station site during the cyclone and liaison via Malcolm VK4ZMM in Brisbane was also carried out.

Sausage Sizzle.

Yesterday, RADAR club members conducted a sausage sizzle at Rockhampton Office Works.

Adam VK4MTJ and Andrea VK4FROG co-ordinated this event as the clubs initial fundraiser for 2011. A good number of members attended to assist and no doubt extend the profits.

On a sad note, the club extends deep sympathy to the family of radio stalwart Len Effeney, VK4DI who went silent key on 1st February. Len would have no doubt held an amateur licence for longer than any other operator in the area.

Until next time, this has been Les VK4VIL on behalf of the Rockhampton and District Amateur Radio Club.

VK8

News from the Darwin amateur radio club.

G'day, this is spud vk8zwm president of the Darwin Amateur Radio club with the latest club news.

The weekly gatherings for a bickie, piece of granny cake and a cuppa continue on Thursday mornings around 10 am with good numbers. The club net is on Sunday evenings on 80 meters 3.555 starting around 5pm.

We have done a lot of work with the scouting movement in recent times resulting in 19 new licensees. We are working now to encourage them to get active with an activity evening on the 24th for starters for the Darwin venturers and rovers. The Humpty Doo venturers and guides will be having an antenna building and operating weekend not too far away and as well both groups will be operating stations in the John Moyle Memorial field day with club support.

Gary vk8bn has started an upgrade course at the clubrooms on Tuesday nights at 7pm with a good-sized eager class.

Expect to hear us pop up as vk8da during the national field day in April from the rapid creek shopping centre.

Stir of the week.

This comes from the massive variations in signal strength we get here from those south of the border during contests and contacts. There are often more than 10 s points variation in signals from stations no more than a few kilometres apart.

Spud says to those south of the border, put a pinch or two of salt in the water in the paint pot at the top of your piece of wet string you use as an antenna so we can hear you up here. It would be a great help.

Err after that, all I can say is catch ya later
This is spud vk8zwm in Darwin hooroo.

HOME OF THE GOOD GUYS

Last Sunday, Feb 6 a special VK4 flood relief delivery was taking place.

A group of people including members of the Illawarra Amateur Radio Society, were heading towards Grantham in Queensland. Grantham is the area known as ground zero for the devastating floods that recently occurred in SE VK4.

Many of the people in this area lost everything during the disaster.

Sarah Hart a local vk2 mum from the Ingleburn area decided to do something to help the children of the devastated region. Sarah started an appeal for donations of kids school back packs to give to the families of Grantham.

The appeal raised several hundred back packs chock-a-block full of rulers, exercise books, pens, pencils, erasers, calculators, drink bottle, lunch boxes and all sorts of other school requirements.

Sarah lobbied local business houses to provided printed flyers for the appeal, set up a web and facebook page to raise awareness of the appeal. Sarah contacted the Illawarra Amateur Radio Society for assistance to deliver the goods and track the where-a-bouts of the delivery so people that have donated to the cause, would know their contribution has arrived at the disaster region. The trek north to Queensland started early Feb 6, tracked by VK2VVV using APRS.

http://aprs.fi/vk2vvv-15

If any amateurs would like to contribute to the appeal they can call Ross, who is monitoring 145.375Mhz simplex as well as 7.070Mhz

Advised by Ross Vk2VVV via vk2news feb 6

EDUCATION YOUTH AND ADVANCEMENT OF AMATEUR RADIO
www.hamcollege.com.au

Exams available at Wyong HamFest Sunday February 27.

Amateur Radio New South Wales in conjunction with the Central Coast Amateur Radio Club will hold assessments with the first session at 7am, second session 10.30 am.

This is the fourth year that ARNSW has conducted exams at the Field Day.

A prior booking is desirable but not essential but you should make contact with the co-ordinator Brian Kelly to find out how the find the rooms, the costs and what is needed with the paperwork.

Brian's contact details are by mobile 0418 659 043 or
email to 3323wbk@tpg.com.au

There are currently about 20 people that have registered interest in upgrading to the standard or advanced class of licence and the NERG has decided to conduct a training course aimed to get everyone to the advanced level. We recommend this path as going the standard track adds an extra $70 for the exam and $42 for change of licence.

Looking at the syllabus for the two grades, you can see that there are only a few extra topics for the advanced. Of course, you can attend the classes and choose to do the standard exam, if you wish.

The classes will be held on the first, third, fourth and fifth (if one occurs) Thursday evenings of each month, commencing at 7:30 pm 17 Feb, and they will run for about 14 weeks. Classes will not be run on the normal NERG meeting nights.

Cost of the course will be $100, for club members. The cost of the exams from the WIA will be $70 each, one theory and one regulations. If you do not have a foundation licence then you will need to pass the practical assessment as well, another $65 to the WIA. Once you have passed these, there will be the licence fee of $65 or change of licence fee of $42.

Melbourne Upgrade Course

Arks Academy will run a combined Standard / Advanced upgrade course commencing Sunday 24th April. The course will be held in easy to reach Nunawading and will run for five Sundays with exams on Sunday 22nd May.

Places are limited and this will be the only course Arks will run this year so please book early to reserve your place.

As Always the course is free of charge

E-mail VK3DQ@wia.org.au

(John Fisher VK3DQ / VK3ARK)

MARYBOROUGH QUEENSLAND

Among the call-ins last week to Ray VK4TPT were two new Foundation licensees, VK4FKAS, Kim and VK4FODM, Owen.

Together with Isaac, VK4FIBN, they had passed the exam and assessment back on 30th December but had to wait until their licences came through due to the Christmas break.

We welcome them all to the airwaves.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART and the WW sources of the WIA.

EMC Society withdraws as co-sponsor of IEEE BPL standard

Concerns over technical standards has forced a respected EMC Society to withdraw from co-sponsorship of an IEEE BPL standard.

BPL provides Internet access using mains electrical wiring and generates considerable Radio Pollution. This Pollution can not only ruin peoples' enjoyment of their favourite radio show but also potentially threaten emergency communications.

An ARRL news report says

Citing concerns about parts of its technical content, the IEEE EMC Society Standards Development Committee (SDCom) has voted to withdraw as the cosponsor of IEEE Standard for Power Line Communication Equipment -- Electromagnetic Compatibility (EMC) Requirements -- Testing and Measurement Methods (IEEE Standard 1775-2010).

According to ARRL Laboratory Manager and BPL guru Ed Hare, W1RFI, this decision came about soon after the IEEE Standards Board approved publication of the standard over the technical concerns of the SDCom. Hare is an SDCom member and is a member of the IEEE Working Group that developed the standard.

Read the full ARRL story
http://www.arrl.org/news/ieee-emc-society-standards-development-committee-withdraws-as-cosponsor-of-ieee-bpl-emc-standard

Voice of Russia on 7200 kHz

On the IARU Region 1 website, DJ9KR reports that the Voice of Russia is transmitting on the exclusive Amateur Radio frequency 7200 kHz.

The report says:

Since February 1st, 2011 the Russian BC Radio Station "Golos Rossiye" (Voice of Russia) is transmitting programs in Russian language on the exclusive Amateur Radio frequency 7200 kHz with quite high power.

This is causing very harmful interference to the Amateur Radio Service world wide, which has an exclusive allocation for the range 7000 - 7200 kHz.

The location of the transmitter is St. Petersburg, RUS.

Please inform your National Intruder watch man, intruders@wia.org.au

Sound file "Voice of Russia" (Golos Rossiye) on 7200 kHz:
www.iarums-r1.org/iarums/sound/vor1.wav

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

VIDEO DNA MAY PUT AN END TO MOVIE PIRACY

Video pirates beware. A new system called Video DNA may land you behind prison bars. Amateur Radio Newsline's Frank Haas, KB4T, has more:

Three Israeli researchers have come up with what they believe to be a sure fire way to end video piracy. Dr. Alex Bronstein working with his twin brother Michael and Israeli researcher Professor Ron Kimmel, has developed a way of treating video footage like DNA.

Dr. Bronstein who is with of Tel Aviv University's Department of Electrical Engineering says that it is not only members of the animal and plant kingdom that can have DNA. He says if a DNA test can identify and catch criminals, his group believes that a similar code might be applicable to video. Then if the code were copied and changed, it would be obvious to law enforcement.

As video does not have a real genetic code like members of the animal kingdom, Dr. Bronstein and his team created a DNA equivalent that can be applied to video files. The result is a unique DNA fingerprint for each individual movie anywhere on the planet. When scenes are altered, colours changed, or film is bootlegged on a camera at the movie theatre, the film can be tracked and traced on the Internet. And says Dr. Bronstein, like the films, the video thieves themselves

can be tracked and caught.

I'm Frank Haas, KB4T.

If the entertainment industry adopts this new video DNA coding, it could mean that a lot of video pirate could eventually be looking at the world from the other side of prison bars.

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WEIRD AND WONDERFUL

This year we are experiencing 4 unusual dates.... 1/1/11,
11/1/11,
1/11/11
11/11/11

NOW go figure this out.
Take the last 2 digits of the year you were born
Add the age you will be THIS year and it WILL EQUAL

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(jamiepye zl2nn NZART)

OPERATIONAL NEWS -

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2011

Feb 26-27 ZL Jock White Field Day

Mar 19-20 WIA John Moyle Field Day weekend

Apr 30 WW Marconi Day 2011 www.gb4imd.org.uk in due

Ross Hull Contest Logs Due - Feb 14

This reminder from John VK3KM that your logs are due we picked up again from the vk7 news! thanks Justin! Also field day contacts can be included in your Ross Hull log (one contact per band per station per UTC day).

More information can be found at the link on the email and internet editions of this broadcast.

http://www.wia.org.au/members/contests/rosshull/

New 2 metre digital modes record

A contact between Jim VK3II and Derek VK6DZ has broken the national 2 metre Digital Modes record (2495.7 km, 21 January 2012).

An updated copy of the records list, and a list of all Australian records since 1947, are on the WIA web site.

http://www.wia.org.au/members/records/data/index.php

(VK7NEWS)

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, REPEATER BEACON DX AND NET ADVICE

Look for amateur radio operators in Kuwait using special prefix 9K50 until
28th February.

Activity is to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Kuwait's independence. Also,
9K50NLD will be on the air between 24 and 28 February.

Activity will be from the members of the Kuwait Amateur Radio Society.

(rsgb)

Amateur radio operators in the Province of Nova Scotia will be permitted to
use special prefixes CJ1 and CK1 throughout the month of February to celebrate
the 2011 Canada Games to be held in Halifax.

VA1 stations will be allowed to use the special prefix CJ1,
while VE1 stations will use the special prefix CK1.

(rsgb)

YL NETS

OFFICIAL ALARA NET: Mondays 3.570, 1030 UTC (1000UTC during daylight saving)

VK6 ALARA NET: Mondays following the national net 3.585, 1200UTC

YL 222 DX NET: Mondays 14.222 Call in from 0530 UTC

European YL-DX NET: Thursdays 14.243 1700 UTC

VE/VK/ZL NET: Fridays 14.148 0500 UTC

TIMOR-LESTE 2011 DXPEDITION

VK8NSB, VK8FNCY, 9M6DXX, 9M6XRO and MW0JRX will be operating from
Timor-Leste between 16 and 26 September. location, Atauro Island, OC-232,
30km north of the capital Dili.

The group does NOT have a licence as yet but IS working closely with the
Timor-Leste licensing authority and the DXpedition callsign will be announced
soon.

Activity will be on all bands 10 - 160m using CW, SSB and RTTY.

QSL via M0URX, via the bureau, or LoTW.

WIRELESS WEATHER

For a good look at propagation check out this website, an easy one,
solarcycle24.org

Also LOT'S of propagation reports can be found at
SOUTH GATE ARC dot ORG slash PROPAGATION

southgatearc.org/propagation

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ATV (Every pixel tells a story) - Video
arvideonews.com
hamradiotube.com
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qdg.org.au

TAKE A (VIDEO) TOUR OF ARRL'S W1AW

Click here http://www.arrl.org/multimedia to watch a video tour of W1AW, conducted by Station Manager Joe Carcia, NJ1Q. Scroll down the page until you come to VIDEO: W1AW.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RESCUE RADIO
IARU REGION 3
Emergency Centre of Activity (CoA) frequencies
3.600, 7.110, 14.300, 18.160 and 21.360 MHz

TWEED residents will soon have local radio broadcasts giving detailed warnings about emergency conditions and road closures during a flood crisis.

Murwillumbah State Emergency Service controller Chris Chrisostomos has revealed local community station Big Country Radio FM 88 had agreed to set up broadcasting equipment in the SES Murwillumbah headquarters to give detailed local information during an emergency.

The "back-to-the-future" move, he said, would mirror a service once provided by a previous local-based radio service and could complement ABC radio information which tended to be more regional.

In particular it would allow the SES to broadcast information about flood heights and the expected impact on various Tweed Valley communities, providing home owners, farms and business people up-to-date advice on precautions to take.

"It gives us an extra ability to distribute information," Mr Chrisostomos said.

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS - VHF AND ABOVE

The news is that in South-East Queensland, local interest is growing in having gear available for the microwave amateur radio bands - 1296 MHz and the many bands above. And this is not just for getting the gear made and going, but also for getting out and about to use it on air.

The Brisbane VHF Group recognises this and is organising a time when local microwaving amateurs will be out at public places using their gear, not just for their own fun, but so that anyone else who may be interested can come and see what makes this aspect of amateur radio the great fun that it is!

Weather permitting, this will be on Sunday the 6th of March, just three weeks away. The Brisbane VHF Group is arranging the day to show off the excellent aspects and fun of amateur radio at microwave frequencies. It's not a contest - it's just an opportunity to show off this different and exciting aspect of our great hobby.

To make it possible for as many as possible to participate, different microwaving amateurs will be active from several different locations. >From these sites, contacts will be demonstrated with other portable and/or home stations on 1296 MHz, 2403 MHz, and 10.3 GHz. Other gear will be available for 3.4 GHz, 5.7 GHz, 24 GHz and 47 GHz (but not necessarily at all locations!)

Liaison on the day will be on the Group's Mt Glorious 2 metre repeater 147 MHz.

We've made a date claim of Sunday the 6th of March through a nominal time period of 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., starting just after the morning QNews broadcast. One central location on the southside is Mount Gravatt. Locations to the North and West of Brisbane will be used but the exact locations will be decided soon and publicised.

Contact club president Doug, VK4OE on 3391 5526 or at uwaves@bigpond.com

All amateurs and other interested folk are invited to come along and see microwave amateur radio in action!

REWIND

Broadcasting on the USA AM Band.

1921 TO 1926 The broadcasting industry in the United States was originally regulated by the Department of Commerce. Initially all stations shared a single "entertainment" wavelength of 360 meters, roughly 833 kilohertz.

>From December, 1921 to May 15, 1923 many stations were also authorized use of 485 meters, 619 kHz for broadcasting Market and Weather reports.

This meant that complicated, and hard fought, timesharing agreements had to be negotiated. In late September of 1922, a second entertainment wavelength of 400 meters (750 kHz) was assigned for better quality, higher powered stations.

Stations on the new wavelength were designated "Class B" outlets, while those on 360 became known as "Class A" stations.

On May 15, 1923 the broadcasting service was greatly expanded, with the designation of a band of frequencies, in 10 kilohertz steps, from 550 to 1350 kilohertz. 550 to 1040 kHz were set aside for Class B stations.

Class A stations were assigned to frequencies from 1050 to 1350 kHz. Existing stations were permitted to stay at 360 meters, as "Class C" stations.

One of the world's BEST web sites for "old radio" is just that, www.oldradio.com

SOCIAL SCENE

2011

Feb 13 VK3 Today is Centre Victoria RadioFest No.4 Kyneton Racecourse
(http://amateurradio.com.au/node/865/)

Feb 27 vk2 Central Coast Amateur Radio Club Ham Fest at Wyong
Start Time : Gates open 6.30 am

Feb 27 vk3 YARRA VALLEY HAMFEST at Gary Cooper Pavilion 16 Anzac Av
Yarra Glen. Opens 10am-2pm.
(www//yarravalley.ar.org.au)

Mar 13 vk3 EMDRC White Elephant Sale Heathmont.

Mar 20 vk7 MEET THE VOICE BBQ "Ross Caravan Park".

Apr 9 vk6 Hills Amateur Radio Group HARGFEST at club rooms Lesmurdie.
(HARGFEST. ie, hamfest run by HARG)

Apr 18 WW "Amateur Radio: The first technology-based social network"
World Amateur Radio Day, April 18, 2011.

May 27-29 WIA AGM Weekend in Darwin
secretary@wia.org.au

Jun 10-12 VK4 Far North and North Queensland Amateur Radio Gathering at
King Reef Resort Kurrimine Beach.

Jul 31 VK2/3 Riverina Field Day 10am at Lavington Scout Group Hall.

Aug 7 VK2 Lismore region - SARCFEST

Sep 23-28 R3 Region 3 ARDF Championship Bendigo VK3
http://r3.ardf.org.au/

Nov 20 vk5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society Hamfest
Goodwood Community Centre, Rosa St Goodwood at 0930.
Visit www.ahars.com.au for contact details

2012

15TH IARU REGION 3 CONFERENCE hosted by V.A.R.C. in Ho-Chi-Minh City, Vietnam.

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144. The ARRL Letter for February 10, 2011

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==> + AMATEUR RADIO AND THE LAW : MIXED DECISION FROM THE CALIFORNIA
COURT OF APPEALS IN PALMDALE, CALIFORNIA ANTENNA CASE

On January 27, the California Court of Appeals, Second Appellate
District, issued its Opinion in the antenna case of Alec Zubarau, WB6X.
In several respects, it is a win for Amateur Radio in California;
however, the Court decreed that Zubarau was not entitled to his HF
antenna, and said that his vertical antenna would suffice as a
substitute for it.
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The Court found that the Palmdale antenna ordinance, as it pertained to the height limit for vertical antennas, was "unenforceable" because it allowed a radio amateur to have a vertical antenna up to 75 feet high when measured from the ground but limited the "active element of the antenna array" to 30 feet. The ordinance did not define "array" or "active element" and did not specify from where the 30 permitted feet for such "array" was to be measured. The Court found that if even one reasonable interpretation of the ordinance could be found, the ordinance could be upheld, but that in this case, no one could understand what the limitations were and how they could be applied. That portion of the City's ordinance was therefore unconstitutional and unenforceable. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/mixed-decision-from-the-california-court-of-appeals-in-palmdale-california-antenna-case>.

==> + BOARD OF DIRECTORS: ARRL BOARD SETS LEGISLATIVE AGENDA AT 2011 ANNUAL MEETING

The ARRL Board of Directors held its 2011 Annual Meeting January 21-22, 2011 in Windsor, Connecticut, under the chairmanship of President Kay Craigie, N3KN. At the meeting, the Board set the legislative agenda for the current Congressional session, approved the 2011 operating plan, looked at the benefits of electronic publishing of ARRL periodicals and more. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-board-sets-legislative-agenda-at-2011-annual-meeting>.

==> + ON THE AIR: THE ARRL INTERNATIONAL DX CW CONTEST IS JUST ONE WEEK AWAY!

The weekend of February 19-20 is prime time for CW DXing as the 2011 ARRL International DX CW Contest <http://www.arrl.org/arrl-dx> takes to the airwaves. According to ARRL Contest Branch Manager Sean Kutzko, KX9X, stations in the US and Canada work only DX stations -- Alaska and Hawaii are considered DX for this contest -- and DX stations only work the US and Canada. DX stations will be trying to make QSOs with all US states and Canadian provinces. The contest exchange is simple: US and Canadian stations send a signal report and their state or province, while DX stations send a signal report and the amount of power they are transmitting with. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/the-arrl-international-dx-cw-contest-is-just-one-week-away>.

==> + AMATEUR RADIO IN SPACE: ARISSAT-1 TO BE DEPLOYED FROM ISS NEXT WEEK; WATCH LIVE ON NASA TV

Expedition 26 Flight Engineers Dmitry Kondratyev and Oleg Skripochka, RN3FU, will step outside the International Space Station (ISS) on Wednesday, February 16. While in space, they will install and retrieve experiments on the Russian segment of the complex and deploy ARISSat-1 <http://www.arrl.org/amateur-radio-on-the-international-space-station>, a small ham radio satellite. NASA TV coverage will begin at 6:45 AM (CST), while the extra-vehicular activity -- commonly called a

spacewalk -- will begin about 30 minutes later. The spacewalk will be the second for Kondratyev, who will wear the spacesuit marked with red stripes, and the third for Skripochka, who will wear the suit with blue stripes.

During the nearly six hour spacewalk, Kondratyev and Skripochka will deploy an experiment called ARISSat-1, a boxy 57-pound nanosatellite that houses congratulatory messages commemorating the 50th anniversary of Yuri Gagarin's launch to become the first human in space. The ham radio transmitter will enable communications with Amateur Radio operators around the world for three to six months. It is the first of a series of educational satellites being developed in a partnership with the Radio Amateur Satellite Corp, the NASA Office of Education International Space Station National Lab Project, the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS <http://www.rac.ca/ariss/oindex.htm/>) program and RSC-Energia.

The two cosmonauts will also install two experiments: One will collect information useful in seismic forecasts and earthquake predictions, and the second will look at gamma splashes and optical radiation during terrestrial lightning and thunderstorms. The spacewalkers also will retrieve a pair of panels exposed to space as part of an experiment to identify the best materials for building long-duration spacecraft.

You can watch live online <http://www.nasa.gov/multimedia/nasatv/index.html> on the NASA TV Public and Media channels, or on your television set. Contact your local provider for the NASA TV channel in your area. -- Thanks to NASA for the information

==> FCC: FCC ADDS NEW COUNTRY TO CEPT RECIPROCAL AGREEMENT FOR AMATEURS

On Monday, February 7, the FCC released a Public Notice, adding a new country to the CEPT reciprocal operating arrangements for US citizens who hold an FCC-issued General, Advanced or Amateur Extra class Amateur Radio licenses. US hams may now operate in Montenegro, as well as the other countries covered by the European Conference of Postal and Telecommunications Administrations (CEPT), subject to the regulations in force in the country visited, to operate in those countries. CEPT has also set up Web sites that list all countries covered by reciprocal agreements. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-adds-new-country-to-cept-reciprocal-agreement-for-amateurs>.

==> + GET READY FOR THE MARCH ISSUE OF QST!

The March issue of QST -- our annual antenna issue! -- is jam-packed with all sorts of things that today's Amateur Radio operator needs. >From product reviews to experiments to contesting -- including antennas you can build yourself as well as a guide to buying your first commercial HF antenna -- this issue of QST has something for just about everyone.

With a multitude of articles on antennas -- ranging from antennas for HF, VHF and even antennas for hams with limited space, you are sure to find something to fit your needs. In his article "A Four Wire Steerable V Beam for 10 through 40 Meters," Sam Moore, NX5Z, shows how you can put a strong signal across the upper HF spectrum just where you want it. And if you're into the low bands? If your property doesn't have space for Beverages, check out "A Roof Mount for a Rotatable 160 Meter Receiving Loop" by Steve Lawrence, WB6RSE. And now that your antennas are up in the air, how do you make sure that they are tuned correctly? Check out "Using a Noise Bridge and Spectrum Scope to Adjust Your Antenna Tuner" by Walter G. Mellish, KC2KZJ, to learn how to measure and adjust your antenna without putting a signal on the air.

Amateur Radio has long been a partner on airplane and hot air balloon flights. But what about hang gliding? Join Bill Schell, W4UHE, and get the hang of operating while gliding in "Hang Gliding with Ham Radio." With all of today's social networking capabilities, conversation is a lost art. QST Editor Steve Ford, WB8IMY, takes a look at this in his article "The Art of Conversation." And speaking of conversation, many hams enjoy chatting on their local repeater system, but getting frequencies, offset and tone into VHF FM transceivers can be a challenge. In his article "Making Memories -- Programming Your Local Repeaters," Sumner Weisman, W1VIV, presents some ways to make this a bit easier.

ARRL Contributing Editor Rick Palm, K1CE, takes a look at the ICOM IC-80 handheld VHF transceiver and the ICOM IC-T70A handheld dual band transceiver in this month's Product Review. He calls the IC-80 a "rugged 2 meter handheld with attractive features for emergency communications, as well as daily use." In looking at the IC-T70A, Palm said this radio "is a solid dual band handheld transceiver that includes a wide range of features, yet is easy to operate." QST Contributing Editor Phil Salas, AD5X, checks out the Array Solutions VNA 2180 vector network analyzer. He says that it "brings powerful vector network analyzer capabilities to the home workshop. It harnesses the power of your computer for control and display functions, bringing the cost to a level comparable to surplus commercial equipment with unknown issues or accuracy."

Of course, there are the usual columns you know and expect in the March QST: Happenings, Hints & Kinks, The Doctor Is IN, How's DX, Technical Correspondence, Vintage Radio and more. Look for your March issue in your mailbox. QST is the official journal of ARRL, the national association for Amateur Radio. QST is just one of the many benefits of ARRL membership. To join or renew your ARRL membership, please see the ARRL Web page <https://www.arrl.org/join>.

==> FOCUS ON YOUTH: ARRL SEEKS NEW YOUTH EDITOR

The ARRL has a proud tradition of promoting youth involvement in Amateur Radio. One of the ways we involve young people is through our Youth Editor. This person is responsible for writing a monthly column for the ARRL website about youth and youth activities within the

Amateur Radio Service. We are looking for a new Youth Editor. Do you know of someone who would be a good fit for this position? Maybe they hold leadership positions either in their Section or in their local club. The candidate must be an ARRL member and must keep their membership current throughout their tenure in the position. He or she will be required to write a monthly column of at least 1000 words and provide a minimum of three pictures (with captions) for each. For this, they will receive a small stipend for each column. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-seeks-new-youth-editor>.

==> HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY: LOVE IS ON-THE-AIR

Every once in a while, we will feature a story written that has been sent to us by a ham. This is one of those times. We hope you enjoy it.

Life can be funny at times. In high school, I was one of those kids who kept to themselves. I was so into the academic side of things that I only went out with a few girls. But there was one girl in school who every time she walked by, my heart would skip a beat. I never saw her with a boyfriend; she was one of the prettiest girls in school and all the guys were too afraid to ask her out. In our senior year, we had a math and English class together, and when we graduated, I joined the Navy.

I saw the world in the Navy. I spent some time overseas and from time to time, I wondered about that beautiful girl who I never asked out in high school. I was too busy with my naval career to settle down, always on the move with Special Ops. I spent 25 years in the Navy and when I retired, I was ready for my next career. I had some radioman experience in the Navy, so I got my Amateur Radio license and started work at a major communications company.

Years later, I found myself at a hamfest, looking for some new radio gear. I saw this radio I wanted back when I was a kid. I saw a guy pick it up and start to look at it. I ran over to the booth and waited for him to put it back on the table. He finally walked away so I asked how much the radio was and if it worked. The lady behind the table looked at me, told me the price and that the rig worked the last time she used it. Then we locked eyes. It was her! The girl from high school! I would know her face anywhere.

After the shock wore off, I asked her if this was her gear for sale. She told me that it was hers and her late husband's. She got her license back in high school and met him at a local club meeting. She told me that they had been married for 23 wonderful years and had one child who was now in the Navy. We talked for hours. She told me that she had had a crush on me back in high school, but was too afraid to ask me out; I told her I felt the same. After the hamfest, I helped her pack up the table and we went to get a bite to eat.

We talked all night, getting caught up on everyone we went to school with. Then she asked me if I had ever thought of her over the years and

if I still had feelings for her. Of course I said yes! After a few dates, I asked her to marry me and she said yes.

We have now been married 10 years and I can honestly say that I married my high school sweetheart. I looked over my station logs and found that years ago I had worked her in a contest, but I never knew it was her. Oh, about the radio that started the whole thing -- yes, it works! -- Paul Rios, KC6QLS, kc6qls@arrl.net

==> ARRL IN ACTION: WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO LATELY?

Compiled by ARRL News Editor S. Khrystyne Keane, K1SFA

This feature is a concise monthly update of some of the things ARRL is doing on behalf of its members. This installment -- which covers the month of January -- looks at the ARRL Board of Directors 2011 Annual Meeting, legislative actions affecting the Amateur Radio Service, filings with the FCC over vanity and club call signs, reports from the Official Observer Desk and more. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-in-action-what-have-we-been-up-to-lately-30>.

==> + RADIO CLUB D'HAITI RECEIVES REPEATER FROM ARRL AND RADIO CLUB DOMINICANO

As part of the relief efforts after the earthquake in Haiti, the ARRL -- through its Ham Aid Program -- with the help of IARU Region 2 and the Radio Club Dominicano (RCD <http://www.radioclubdominicano.com/>), delivered a Vertex VXR-7000 <http://www.vertexstandard.com/ap/vxr-7000.html> repeater to the Radio Club d'Haiti. This repeater, part of the original equipment sent by the ARRL during the devastating Haitian earthquakes in January 2010 <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-sends-ham-aid-equipment-to-haiti>, will help with radio communications coverage in that devastated nation. Both the Radio Club Dominicano and the Radio Club d'Haiti are IARU Member-Societies. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/radio-club-d-haiti-receives-repeater-from-arrl-and-radio-club-dominicano>.

==> ARRL ATLANTIC DIVISION TO HOST TWO WEBINARS IN FEBRUARY

Periodically, the ARRL's Atlantic Division hosts a "webinar" -- an interactive web-based seminar, designed to facilitate communication between a small number of presenters and a large remote audience using the Internet. During February, Atlantic Division Director Bill Edgar, N3LLR, will host two webinars for ARRL members, one on 503(c)(3) organizations and one on using Narrow Band Emergency Messaging Software (NBEMS) -- a set of programs used to send messages and files via Amateur Radio using an audio interface. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-atlantic-division-to-host-two-webinars-in-febr uary>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "The Sun rose over the shadows <http://www.gardendigest.com/zen/above.htm>" Cook, K7RA, reports: Seven different sunspot groups were visible over the past week; the high sunspot number in the past seven days was 71 on Tuesday. The average daily sunspot number more than doubled, rising over 24 points to 44.3 and the average daily solar flux was up nearly three points to 83.5. 71 is the highest sunspot number since May 5, 2010, when it was 77. Coincidentally, both February 8, 2010 and February 8, 2011 had a sunspot number of 71, and between those dates it was never higher except for 77 on May 5. NOAA/USAF predicts solar flux for February 10-20 at 88, 86, 84, 82, 82, 82, 82, 84, 88, 88 and 88. They predict a constant planetary A index of 5 through the end of the month, then 7, 10, 10 and 7 on March 1-4. Even though NOAA sees a constant and quiet geomagnetic environment through the end of the month, Geophysical Institute Prague sees it a little differently for February 11-17. They predict quiet on February 11-12, quiet to unsettled February 13, unsettled February 14-16 and quiet to unsettled February 17. Look for more information on the ARRL website on Friday, February 11. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by Michael P. Garofalo's Master Chang San Feng <http://www.gardendigest.com/zen/above.htm>.

==> AMATEUR RADIO FUN: NEW QUICKSTATS POLL NOW AVAILABLE ON ARRL WEBSITE

Four new poll questions have just been published on the QuickStats page <http://www.arrl.org/quickstats> on the ARRL website. Let your voice be heard!

Questions in this month's QuickStats poll include:

- Do you own an eBook reader?
- What type of product do you most like to see evaluated in QST Product Reviews and Short Takes?
- Has the severe weather damaged your antennas?
- How often do you attend the meetings of your local Amateur Radio club?

Visit the QuickStats page <http://www.arrl.org/quickstats> and be sure to bookmark it in your browser. Results from this QuickStats poll will be published in the May 2011 issue of QST on the QuickStats page, located in the rear advertising section of the magazine. Along with monthly poll results, QST QuickStats offers colorful charts and graphs that highlight interesting Amateur Radio statistics.

==> DXCC NEWS: DXCC DESK APPROVES 9X0SP RWANDA 2010 DXPEDITION

ARRL DXCC Manager Bill Moore, NC1L, reports that the 9X0SP 2010 DXpedition to Rwanda has been approved for DXCC credit. "If you had cards that were recently rejected for this operation, please send an e-mail <dxcc@arrl.org> to the ARRL DXCC Desk," Moore said. "Please note

that due to extremely heavy e-mail, DXCC staff may not respond to your message. Once your record is updated, results will appear in Logbook of The World (LoTW <https://p1k.arrl.org/lotwuser/default>) accounts or in the live, daily DXCC Standings <http://www.arrl.org/dxcc/>."

==> THIS WEEK ON THE RADIO

This week:

- February 12 -- Asia-Pacific Spring Sprint, FISTS Winter Sprint
- February 12-13 -- New Hampshire QSO Party, CQ WW RTTY WPX Contest, Dutch PACC Contest
- February 13 -- North American Sprint (SSB)
- February 14-18 -- School Club Roundup

Next week:

- February 18 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- February 18-19 -- Russian PSK WW Contest
- February 19 -- Feld Hell Sprint
- February 19-20 -- ARRL International DX Contest (CW) <http://www.arrl.org/arrl-dx>, AWA Amplitude Modulation QSO Party
- February 21 -- Run for the Bacon QRP Contest
- February 23 -- SKCC Sprint

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more info. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- February 11-13 -- ARRL Southeastern Division Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southeastern-division-convention-orlando-hamcation>, Orlando, Florida
- February 18-19 -- ARRL Arizona State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arizona-state-convention-yuma-hamfest-emergency-preparedness-show>, Yuma, Arizona
- February 26 -- ARRL Vermont State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/vermont-state-convention-ham-con-1>, Colchester, Vermont
- March 5 -- ARRL South Texas Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/south-texas-section-convention-greater-houston-hamfest-1>, Rosenberg, Texas; ARRL Alabama Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/alabama-section-convention-birminghamfest>, Birmingham, Alabama
- March 11-12 -- ARRL Oklahoma Section Convention

<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/oklahoma-section-convention-green-country-hamfe
st>,
Claremore, Oklahoma
- March 12-13 -- ARRL North Carolina Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/north-carolina-section-convention-charlotte-ham
fest>,
Concord, North Carolina
- March 19 -- ARRL West Texas Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-texas-section-convention-56th-annual-st-pa
trick-s-day-hamfest>,
Midland, Texas; ARRL Nebraska State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/nebraska-state-convention-1>, Lincoln,
Nebraska
- March 25 -- ARRL Maine State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/maine-state-convention-1>, Lewiston,
Maine
- March 26 -- ARRL Maryland State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/maryland-state-convention-greater-baltimore-ham
boree-computerfest>,
Timonium, Maryland

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Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1748 with a release date of
Friday, February 11, 2011 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. The FCC clears the way for President Obama
to become the first residential voice of a national test of the
Emergency Alert System, VK hams look back on Typhoon Yasi, a new
broadcast intruder on 40 meters, a mixed decision in a Palmdale
California tower and antenna case and a new method to create terahertz
waves. Find out the details on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report
number 1748 coming your way right now.

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RESCUE RADIO: PRESIDENT TO TAKE PART IN FCC APPROVED EAS TEST

The President of the United States will soon be taking part in a
national test of the of the Emergency Alert System. We have more in
this report:

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The Federal Communications Commission has taken the necessary action
help pave the way for the first-ever Presidential alert to be aired
across the United States on the Nation's Emergency Alert System. This
as the regulatory agency voted on February 3rd to adopt a Third Report
and Order that sets forth rules that will facilitate the federal
government's efforts to conduct a national E-A-S test by transmitting a
Presidential Alert from Washington, D.C. to television and radio
broadcasters, cable systems and satellite service providers who will
then deliver the alert to the American public.

The national test will require EAS participants to be part of the
exercise and to receive and transmit a live code that includes a
Presidential alert message to their respective viewers and listeners.
The FCC, FEMA and the Nation Weather Service, in coordination with
E-A-S participants, will work together to launch a nationwide public
education and awareness campaign. This will include press statements,
workshops, regional outreach, and television and radio public service
announcements. All will be targeted to consumers in general, and more
specifically to persons with disabilities and seniors, as well as first
responders and state, local and tribal governments. The outreach will
help ensure that the American public is aware that the national test

will be conducted and the benefits of these kinds of public alerts in a real emergency.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Brucew Tennant, K6PZW, in Los Angeles.

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The FCC adds that the national test will also help determine the reliability of the Emergency Alert System and its effectiveness in notifying the public of emergencies and potential danger, both nationwide and regionally. (FCC)

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RESCUE RADIO: HAM RADIO AND CYCLONE YASI - A FOLLOW-UP

A follow up to least weeks story about Cyclone Yasi that was ravaging Ausatralia's North-East area just at about the time we went to air. Graham Kemp, VK4BB, of the W-I-A News is in Brisbane with an update on the storm and the part radio amateurs played:

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Hams have been keeping in touch via HF radio and keeping a vital link alive during the passage of one of the more fierce and expansive severe tropical cyclones to hit the North East coast of Australia in recent times. The system was so vast that it affected communities along a 900km stretch of coast and 500km inland.

Whilst making sure that their families and houses were safe, radio amateurs within the warning area and across the country kept in touch via HF Radio with a listening watch on Queensland WICEN frequency 7075 kHz and regular contact via the morning Gnarly Net on 3600 kHz and the afternoon Friendly Net on 7115 kHz. This regular contact has kept the communication lines open. Some 40 cellphone sites were damaged and some 400 had low fuel reserves.

Townsville hams have been monitoring the local repeaters along with the Atherton Tablelands hams. Rockhampton hams are monitoring the local repeaters along with 7075kHz and 3600kHz and Cairns hams are doing this as well.

Radio Amateurs living in the disaster area are now picking up the pieces, getting their stations back up and running as the Cyclone Season in Northern Australia is not over until the end of April and there might be another call to action during the next few months ahead.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Graham Kemp, VK4BB, of the WIA News in Australia.

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Also assisting are some 120 Queensland, Tasmanian and Victorian State Emergency Service personnel. They have headed north to assist with the

Cyclone Yasi recovery effort. (WIA News)

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INTRUDER WATCH: VOICE OF RUSSIA ON 7.2 MHZ

Another broadcast interloper has shown up 40 meters. DJ9KR reports via the IARU Region 1 website that a station identified as the Voice of Russia has been heard on the exclusive Amateur Radio frequency 7 point 200 MHz. The report says that since February 1st, the Voice of Russia is transmitting programs in Russian language with high power and is causing very harmful interference to the amateur radio service all around the globe.

The location of the transmitter has been pegged at being in or near the Russian city of St. Petersburg. The transmissions are from 0800 to 1500 UTC.

Hams around the world are being asked to write their nations ham radio intruder watch coordinator and to ask that body to file a formal complaint with Russian telecommunications authorities. Ham radio has an exclusive allocation for 7 dot 0 to 7 point 2 MHz and no one other than hams are supposed to be heard in that frequency range. (IARU Region 1)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: ARISSAT-1 READY FOR DEPLOYMENT

Hams world-wide are awaiting the deployment of ARISSat-1 ham radio satellite. This, from the ISS during a space walk slated for February 16th.

NASA will cover the event on NASA Select TV. Unfortunately, there has not been a final time during the launch spacewalk when the deployment of ARISSat-1 will occur.

Mealtime the ARISSat team says that it continuing to work on the arissat1 dot org website and adding information as its available. People can also follow ARISSat on Twitter as @Arissat1. (WA4SXM, ANS)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the K9OQO repeater serving Appleton, Wisconsin.

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HAM RADIO AND SCOUTING: ARRL & BSA TIE KNOT IN MOU

The American Radio Relay League and the Boy Scouts of America have officially tied the knot of cooperation between the two groups. Amateur Radio Newsline welcomes Michael Grebert, KJ4ZZV who has the details:

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After working together for nearly a century to provide Scouts with the ability to learn radio communication skills, Boy Scouts of America and the American Radio Relay League have officially teamed up by signing a memorandum of understanding. This document designates the ARRL as a key resource for K2BSA and Radio Merit Badge training at the BSA National Scout Jamboree and establishes the ARRL as the go-to source for Scouts interested in learning about and becoming involved in radio communication.

In addition to its National Scout Jamboree involvement, ARRL will continue to promote participation in the annual Jamboree on the Air event. ARRL will also serve as contributing editor to the Radio Merit Badge publication, will assist with the review, creation and modification of requirements as necessary, and will assist in developing course material, lesson plans, and other resources for teaching the Radio Merit Badge to Scouts. ARRL also will contribute to the content of the Electricity, Electronics, and Emergency Preparedness and Communications merit badge publications.

As its part of this strategic alliance, the Boy Scouts of America will encourage Scouts and Scouters to become familiar with opportunities for public and community service. It will also foster learning and personal growth through involvement in Amateur Radio.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Michael Grebert, KJ4ZZV, reporting from Music City, Nashville, Tennessee.

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Boy Scouts of America Chief Scout Executive Bob Mazzuca and ARRL President Kay Craigie , N3KN, launched the partnership by holding a truly unique wireless communications meeting. Mazzuca joined Craigie virtually during an Internet video conference and document-signing ceremony. From separate locations, the pair also took the opportunity to talk about the importance of each organization to the ongoing development of the other. (ARRL, BSA)

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RADIO LAW: MIXED DECISION IN PALMDALE CA ANTENNA CASE

It's a mixed decision in a Palmdale California Appellate court antenna and tower case ruling. This as the California Court of Appeals hands down its ruling in the matter of Alec Zubarau, WB6X versus the City of Palmdale.

The court made three decisions that affect Amateurs in California. First it found that part of the Palmdale ordinance was unconstitutional because it was vague and could not be understood by a reasonable

person. That part of the ordinance allowed an Amateur to have a vertical antenna up to 75 feet high when measured from the ground but limited the "active element of the antenna array" to 30 feet in height.

The court found that the ordinance did not define "array" or "active element" and did not say where the height of such array was measured from. After a number of questions were submitted regarding this ordinance, the court determined that no one could really understand what it meant and declared it unconstitutional. ARRL Volunteer Counsel Len Shaffer, WA6QHD, says that this part of the decision will affect only hams living in Palmdale.

The next issue decided by the court had to do with radio frequency interference. They said that only the Federal government could regulate RFI and any state or municipal law that tried to address it was preempted. That means it is not enforceable. Shaffer says that part of the decision affects hams throughout the state Shafer asks any California amateur whose municipality or county has an ordinance that limits Amateur Radio antennas or operations based on whether there is interference to consumer or other devices to contact Southwestern Division Vice-Director Marty Woll via e-mail at n6vi@arrl.org.

The final part of the decision had to do with whether Palmdale followed the law when they made Alec Zubarau take down his permitted tower but allowed him to keep a VHF/UHF vertical on his roof. The court said they thought this was a reasonable accommodation because it allowed him to be active in some part of amateur radio.

On this point Shaffer says that the decision is troubling. He says that he and his client are considering what options they may have regarding any further review of the issue. Shaffer adds that he will be conferring with various legal sources before any final determination is made. (N6VI)

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RADIO OOPS: CELL COMPANY INSTALLS TOWER ON PRIVATE FRONT LAWN IN MOUNT SINAI, NY According to news reports a cellular telephone provider apparently crossed the line when without permission it installed a tower and antenna on the front lawn of a private home in Mount Sinai, New York.

Town resident Lori DiMarco told news reporters that she and her family were horrified when they walked out of their house and found that a cell tower had been constructed under the cover of darkness on their front lawn.

Also appalled was Town Of Brookhaven Highway Superintendent John Rouse. He termed the action by NextG Networks as being the height of corporate arrogance. Rouse said that if he has to get in a truck himself and take it down, it's coming down. And as a show of force, Rouse brought out a town bucket truck and threatened to rip down the mast and antenna if the company that installed it doesn't remove it within the next

several days.

In a statement, NextG admitted they installed the tower without the proper permits. It said that it sincerely apologizes to the DiMarco family and a pledge to do it's best to ensure that this does not happen again. However in the same statement, NextG also complained the town was taking too long to review its cell tower applications.

The company says it will take the tower down. As we go to air its unknown if the DiMarco family or the town are planning any legal action against NextG.

More on this bizarre story is on line at several websites including www.wsbt.com/news/wpix-cell-fight,0,7995185.story (Published news reports)

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HAM RADIO ON THE BOOKSHELF: WE BE BIG - A BOOK ABOUT BROADCASTING AND HAM RADIO

A new book from a couple of New York Times bestselling authors who are also nationally-syndicated broadcast personalities will offer readers unprecedented exposure to the hobby of amateur radio.

"We Be Big" from Thomas Nelson Publishers is the autobiography of Rick Burgess and Bill "Bubba" Bussey, whose morning radio show is heard in over fifty cities across America as well as on XM satellite radio. The team has previously published several books that landed near the top on the New York Times bestseller list. Their highly successful Rick and Bubba Show feature their down-home view on life in a spirited and fun presentation.

The amateur radio connection comes from several angles. Fitst, Bill "Bubba" Bussey is a longtime active ham radio operator. He holds an Advanced class license and the call sign KJ4JJ. He cites amateur radio as one influence that led to a career in broadcast engineering, ownership, and on-the-air success. Bussey talks in the book about how he came to the hobby at an early age and has been active ever since. He also often discusses the amateur radio on the show.

Additionally, "We Be Big" was co-written with the help of national-bestselling author Don Keith, who also happens to be an active amateur radio enthusiast. Keith holds an Amateur Extra class license and his call sign is N4KC, and has been licensed for almost fifty years.

Keith has over twenty books in print, both fiction and nonfiction, and writes on subjects such as college athletics, broadcasting, submarines, and World War II history. N4KC was also a long-time broadcaster, twice named Billboard Magazine's "Broadcast Personality of the Year."

Publication date for "We Be Big" is scheduled for March 22nd. Pre-orders are being accepted by many booksellers nationwide. (Press

Release)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: VE3QTH NAMED NEW RAC NATIONAL AFFILIATED CLUB COORDINATOR

Robert Critch, VE3QTH, of Lake Simcoe in Barrie Ontario has been named as Radio Amateurs of Canada's National Affiliated Club Coordinator. Critch comes to the post with a long list of personal and professional qualifications including a long and outstanding carrier in Voice and Data Communications Technology. He has worked for both large and small organizations and over the years has run several business. His is the current President of Barrie Amateur Radio Club and is active on the HF, VHF and UHF bands running both voice and digital modes. (RAC)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: DG1CMZ TO JOIN YOUTH POSITION IN KIRITMATI OPERATION

And the T32C Five Star DXers Association DXpedition has announced that Michael Zurch, DG1CMZ, has been selected as the person to fill the sponsored young operator position with the team to Kiritimati operation in the Northern Line Islands. Zurch, who is from Trunzig, Germany, is described as an experienced contest and DXpedition operator who is currently working towards a PhD at the University of Jena. The DXpedition to Kiritimati takes place this coming September 28th to October 26th. (GB2RS)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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THE CHANGING OF THE GUARD: NEW MEXICO BROADCASTER GARY DIAMOND, K5FSB - S.K.

The man who at one time was the youngest radio amateur in the state of New Mexico and then went on to an illustrious career in broadcasting has become a silent key. This, with the sad news that Gary Diamond, K5FSB, passed away at an Albuquerque hospice care center at the age of 62.

As those in the broadcast industry are aware, Gary Diamond had a long and distinguished career in Albuquerque radio and television. He graduated from Del Norte High School in 1966 and from the University of

New Mexico in 1971. He began his on-air career as a disk jockey for KARA, KQEO, and other radio stations in the Duke City where among other things he became well known for his lively drive time shows. Gary earned the respect of his colleagues and audiences through his comprehensive technical wisdom as well as his broad knowledge of musical artists in all genres.

But Gary's real love was for the technical side of broadcasting and he ultimately gave up his on the air gigs to become an engineer for KOAT Channel 7 and KRKE Channel 13. He eventually achieved his lifelong dream when he was hired as Chief Engineer for station KOB. Following his retirement he went on to become a respected broadcasting consulting engineer across the great American South-West.

Gary Diamond was a member of the Society of Radio Engineers and the Upper Rio FM Society. The latter is an organization dedicated to promoting amateur radio in New Mexico. In addition to his radio interests, K5FSB was a licensed pilot and a member of Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association.

A memorial for Gary was held at The First Unitarian Church in Albuquerque on February 5th. In lieu of flowers, donations in Gary Diamond's name can be made to National Kidney Foundation or American Diabetes Association. (ARNewsline(tm) with information provided by WA5WHN)

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RADIO IN EDUCATION: ARRL ANNOUNCES TEACHERS INSTITUTE FOR 2011

The ARRL Education Services Department has announced the 2011 schedule for the Teachers Institute on Wireless Technology workshop. Offered through the ARRL's Education and Technology Program, the Teachers Institute is a four-day, expenses paid, in-residence learning opportunity. One that is designed for motivated teachers and other school staff who want to learn more about wireless technology and bring that knowledge to their students.

A variety of topics are covered during the workshop. These include basic wireless technology literacy, electronics, the science of radio, radio astronomy, how to bring space into the classroom, ham radio operation, introduction to microcontrollers and basic robotics.

While participants do not need to have an Amateur Radio license to attend the basic sessions, one is required for the advanced session called TI-2 Space. This training experience is sponsored by the Dayton Amateur Radio Association with the curriculum focusing on the nuts and bolts of setting up and operating a satellite ground station. This in turn serves as excellent preparatory training ground for a scheduled contact with the ISS through the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station program.

Dates of the Institute are July 11th to the 14th with applications due no later than May 15th. Full information and applications are on-line at the Leagues website Its in cyberspace at www dot arrl dot org. (ARRL, ANS)

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WORLDBEAT: BBC TO CUT BACK FOREIGN LANGUAGE BROADCASTS

The British Broadcasting Corporation has confirmed plans to cease five of its 32 World Service language transmissions. According to the GB2RS News, the Macedonian, Albanian and Serbian services will be the first axed, as will English for the Caribbean and Portuguese for Africa.

The World Service will also eliminate short wave transmission of six more language services in March. These will be Hindi, Indonesian, Kyrgyz, Nepali, Swahili and the Great Lakes service for Rwanda and Burundi. (GB2RS)

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ON THE AIR: THE ISLE OF TIENGEMTEN COMMERATIVE

On the air listen out for the special event callsign P-D-Zero-4-I-S-L-E. This station will be active throughout all of 2011 from the nature reserve on the Isle of Tiengemeten. QSL this one as directed by whomever you contract. (OPDX)

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ON THE AIR: SOUTH AMERIUCAN LIGHTHOUSE WEEKEND

CE3FZL and possibly others will be operational as CE2C from the Faro, Cofradia Nautica del Pacifico, Algarrobo, during the South American Lighthouse Weekend that runs from February 25th to the 27th Activity will be on 40, 20, 15 and 10 meters. QSL direct to his QRZ.com address with 2 IRCs, or via the Bureau. No electronic QSL are being accepted for this one. (Press release)

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ON THE AIR: CELEBRTING 50 YEARS OF KUWAIT INDEPENDENCE

And keep an ear open for amateur radio operators in Kuwait using the special prefix 9K50 through 28th February. This activity is to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Kuwait's independence. Also, 9K50NLD will be on the air between 24 and 28 February by members of the Kuwait Amateur Radio Society. QSL this one as directed on the air. (OPDX)

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DX

In DX, a team of seven ham radio operators from Germany are activate Sao Tome Island as S9DX through February 17th. They have at least two stations on the air at all times using such modes as CW, SSB and RTTY

on 160 through 10 meters. A special emphasis is on the lower bands in CW and RTTY. QSLs via bureau or direct via DL1RTL.

DH1BL will be on the air as FH4VOS from Combani, Mayotte for the next three years. Lately he has been active on 20 meters using SSB. QSL his operation via DL7BC.

WD9DZV will be active as P40A from Aruba between March 8th through the 13th. His operations will be holiday style on most bands and modes. QSL via WD9DZV.

ZS6SIG has relocated to Nairobi, Kenya, and will be signing 5Z4EE for the next four years. He has announced that he will be in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest on March 26th and 27th as well as the ARRL DX CW Contest from February 19th to the 20th and ARRL DX SSB Contest on March 5th and 6th. Activity outside of the contests will be on all bands from 160 through 10 meters. QSL via NV7E or at the address shown for 5Z4EE on QRZ.com.

Lastly, KL7JR and WL7MY will both be be active portable HI3 from Hispaniola Island between March 1st and sometime in June. Their operation will be on 80 through 10 meters SSB using several different wire antennas from their beach location. QSL via KL7JR as listed on QRZ.com or in thee Callbook.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: JILA ANNOUNCES A BEW SOURCE OF TERAHERTZ RADIATION

And finally this week, word that JILA researchers have developed a laser-based source of terahertz radiation that is unusually efficient and less prone to damage than similar systems. The technology might be useful in applications such as detecting trace gases or imaging weapons in security screening.

JILA is a joint institute of the National Institute of Standards and Technology and the University of Colorado at Boulder. Its technology is a new twist on a common terahertz wave source. That being a semiconductor surface patterned with metal electrodes and excited by ultrafast laser pulses.

An electric field is applied across the semiconductor while near-infrared pulses lasting about 70 quadrillionths of a second, produced 89 million times per second, dislodge electrons from the semiconductor. The electrons accelerate in the electric field and emit the terahertz waves.

Terahertz radiation which fall between the radio and optical bands of the electromagnetic spectrum have the ability to penetrate materials such as clothing and plastic but can be used to detect many substances that have unique absorption characteristics at these wavelengths. Terahertz systems are challenging to build because they require a blend

of electronic and optical technologies that are integrated to work together flawlessly. The complete story of this advancement in this technology is on line at tinyurl.com/terahertz. (NIST)

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Don Carlson, KQ6FM in Reno, Nevada, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 13th February 2011

The news headlines:

RSGB AGM to be held in Derby

RSGB looking for EMC volunteer

Northern Train the Trainers session

Join us in Derby for the RSGB 2011 AGM. It will take place on Saturday 16 April at the Menzies Mickleover Court, Etwall Road, Mickleover Derby DE3 0XX. The whole day is geared to bringing the RSGB to you and is an ideal opportunity for local clubs to socialise and meet with each other and meet with senior RSGB officers. Winners of the 2011 National Club of the Year, sponsored by Waters & Stanton, will be announced.

Do you have legal skills? The Society is in need of some help in the area of legislation concerning EMC and related matters in the UK and European context. This person would be invited to join the EMC Committee, either as a full member, a corresponding member or a consultant. We need to further build our `in-house' strength on European and UK legislation particularly as it applies to the technologies involved in radio communication and EMC matters. If you are a qualified lawyer, current or retired, and feel you can help the team looking at this, or if you know of someone who might be willing to offer some help, please contact the RSGB Director responsible, Don Beattie, G3BJ, by email to g3ozf@btinternet.com or phone 01694 781 666.

or telephone 01563 534383 for further details.

or call him on 01225 464394

ARRL DXCC Manager Bill Moore, NC1L, reports that the 9X0SP 2010 DXpedition to Rwanda has been approved for DXCC credit. If you have cards that were recently rejected for this operation, please send an e-mail to the ARRL DXCC Desk. Once your record is updated, results will appear in Logbook of The World accounts or in the live, daily DXCC Standings.

ARISSat-1 should be deployed from the International Space Station on Wednesday 16 February. Amateurs are being encouraged to listen out for the signals, which should reasonably strong. AMSAT-UK has issued a reception challenge to everyone to receive ARISSat -1 signals, and is promising a "FUN" reward to a number of listeners in various categories.

The downlink signals on 2m are expected to be reasonably strong. More details are at tinyurl.com/gb2rs551 and arissat-1.org.

Advance news now of a DXpedition. VK8NSB, VK8FNCY, 9M6DXX, 9M6XRO and MW0JRX will be operating from Timor-Leste in East Timor between 16 and 26 September. The location will be Atauro Island, OC-232, 30km north of the capital, Dili. The group is working closely with the Timor-Leste licensing authority and the DXpedition callsign will be announced soon. There will be three stations, two using full licensed power linear amplifiers and a third running 100W. Antennas will mainly be quarter-wave verticals and vertical dipoles, all located within a few metres of the ocean. For 160m an inverted-L will be used. Activity will be on all bands 10 - 160m using CW, SSB and RTTY. Atauro Island was chosen in order to provide a quiet location, well away from the electrical noise of down-town Dili. The beach-front site will also allow the group to put up vertical antennas right by the ocean, providing additional low-angle gain. In addition, the island counts as OC-232 and is part of a very rare IOTA group, having being confirmed by only 18% of active IOTA participants.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

The Harwell Radio and Electronics Rally will take place today, 13 February, at Didcot Leisure Centre, Mereland Road, Didcot OX11 8AY. Talk in will be on S22 and car parking is free. Entrance is ?2.50 and accompanied under 12s are free. Doors open at 10.30am and there will be trade stands, special interest groups and refreshments available. Details from Ann, G8NVI on 01235 816379.

The Northern Cross Rally returns to its former home at Thornes Park Sports Centre, Horbury Road, Wakefield, WF2 8TY today, Sunday 13 February. There is plenty of parking, an RSGB Bookstall and all the usual traders. There will also be several club and group stands. Refreshments are available on site at reasonable prices and admission is ?3. Doors open at 10.30am with disabled access from 10.15. Bring & Buy Booking In is also from 10.15. More information from www.northerncrossrally.org or contact Ken Quinn, 2E0SSQ on 07 900 563 117.

There are no rallies next weekend, the next events are on 27 February. Rainham Radio Rally will take place at Rainham School for Girls, Derwent Way, Rainham, Gillingham, Kent ME8 0BX. Doors open at 10.00am. More details from Trevor, G6YLW, 0771 7678 795.

Also on 27 February, Swansea ARS Rally will be held at Court Herbert Sports Centre, Neath Abbey, Neath SA10 7BE. Doors open at 10.30am and entry is ?2 with free car parking. There will be trade stands and a Bring & Buy along with special interest groups. Details from Roger, GW4HSH, on 01792 404422.

Now for the news of special events

The Cornish Club will be running Thinking Day on the Air at Gweal-an-Top school, Redruth, Cornwall on 19 February using the special event callsign GB1RGG.

North Cork Radio Group will be active the call EI1NC/P on 19 and 20 February from the Blackrock Castle Observatory from 1000 to 1700UTC both days. The venue is a 16th century Castle located 4km from the heart of Cork city on the banks of the river Lee. The Castle has seen many uses in its long history and now houses a cutting edge space observation post.

And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

KA1YMX/8P will be active from Barbados while on holiday between 26 February and 5 March. His operation will be on CW and SSB using an Elecraft K2. No other details are available. QSL via his home callsign.

G3RWF will be active as 5X1NH from Fort Portal in western Uganda between 20 February and 14 April. He prefers to operate CW but plans to also be on the digital modes with some SSB on all bands except 160m. QSL via his home callsign or electronically using Logbook of the World.

Two American operators plan to operate on the amateur bands from Haiti between 18 February and 5 March. They will be working at a local Christian Mission and during their spare time will be on the air as HH4/K4QD and HH4/AF4Z.

J88DR will be active again from 16 February to 14 March. This is the call used by Dave, G3TBK while on the Caribbean island of St Vincent. Dave is interested in contesting and will be QRV in the ARRL DX CW Contest as well as the ARRL DX SSB Contest and the Commonwealth Contest during that period.

An international team will operate from Cameroon using the call TJ9PF until 20February. QSL manager is F5OGL and full details of the DXpedition can be found on www.tj9pf.fr.

Now the contest news

Over the full 48 hours of the weekend of 12-13th the CQWW WPX RTTY contest will keep the data portions of the bands busy. Exchange a signal report and serial number. Multi-two and multi-multi entrants use separate serial number sequences per band, while all others use just the one. In parallel with it the CW and SSB portions of the bands will also be busy, because the PACC, VERON contest takes place for 24 hours. Send a signal report and serial number, but expect to receive a report and a 2-letter Province code from Dutch stations.

The 80m Club Championships data leg takes place on 16 February from 2000 to 2130UTC. The exchange is signal report and serial number.

The 1.3GHz UK Activity Contest takes place on 15 February from 2000 to 2230UTC. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

On 22 February the 50MHz UK Activity Contest takes place between 2000 and 2230UTC. Using all modes on the band the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

Also on 22 February, the SHF UK Activity Contest takes place at the same time, 2000 to 2230UTC. Using bands between 2.3 and 10GHz and all modes, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

And now the solar factual data for the period from the 31st of January to the 6th of February, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on the 7th of February.

Solar activity was at very low levels, only just though, because on the 4th just after midday a B9.5 solar flare occurred just falling short of the C class, which would have increased activity to low. Solar flux levels varied little day to day and averaged 80 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 6th was 99, that's one unit down on last week. X-ray flux levels averaged A4.6 units and remained steady all week. Geomagnetic activity started at quiet levels but during the second half of the 4th levels increased to storm levels. Studying the solar wind data it would appear that a coronal hole disturbance and a coronal mass ejection that departed the Sun on the 30th of January arrived here at Earth at the same time. This resulted in a short but intense storm with stations in the Midlands capable of auroral contacts on 50 and 144MHz. Stations north of the border had this privilege for much longer. The Ap index on the 4th was 21 units. The average was Ap 9 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds increase from 300 kilometres per second to 670 early on the 5th. Particle densities started the period with up to 30 particles per cubic centimetre on the 31st and the 1st but then declined to more normal levels. Bz showed little variation at first but fluctuated to minus 20 and plus 16 nanoTeslas at the height of the storm during the evening of the 4th.

And now the solar forecast. Old region 1149 that produced eight C class solar flares on its last rotation should have rotated back into view. Depending on how active this region is will decide on the level of solar flare activity for the coming week. Solar activity could increase to low levels on some days. Solar flux levels should be around the 90 mark for most of the week. A quiet geomagnetic week is expected with the Ap index in single figures throughout. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be about 22MHz for the south and 19MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be around 8MHz. Paths this week to India should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of about 23MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be around 18MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 10:00 and 13:00 hours.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS

On Monday 14 February Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is operating on HF. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548478, daytime.

On Monday 14 February South Birmingham Radio Society is on the air and having a ragchew. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Monday 14 February South Normanton Alfreton & District Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night. Details from A Lawrence, 2E0BQS, by email to adylawri@btinternet.com.

On Monday 14 February Stratford Upon Avon District Radio Society is having an informal evening. Contact G0CHO, on 01608 664488.

On Tuesday 15 February Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is having a visit by RSGB Region 13 Manager Jim, G0EJQ. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 15 February Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is having a review of amateur radio computer programs with Art, G3KWY. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Wednesday 16 February Hinckley Amateur Radio Society is taking part in the 80m Club Calls Data contest. Details from John, M0JAV, on 07836 731544.

On Wednesday 16 February Lincoln Short-Wave Club is putting G6COL on the air, having a natter night and invites members to learn to play poker with G0PIO. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

On Wednesday 16 February Midland Amateur Radio Society is holding training classes and having a rally visit planning meeting. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 01214 229 787.

On Wednesday 16 February Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on astronomy by G0CZD. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday 17 February Cheltenham Amateur Radio Association has a sale of surplus equipment. Contact Derek Thom, G3NKS, on 01242 241099.

On Thursday 17 February South Birmingham Radio Society is holding training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Friday 18 February Coventry Amateur Radio Society is working on Project 2011. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777363.

On Friday 18 February Nunsfield House Amateur Radio Group is discussing the Northern Lights. Details from Ken Frankcom, G3OCA, on 01332 720976.

On Friday 18 February South Birmingham Radio Society is having a construction evening. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Saturday 19 February Lincoln Short-Wave Club is putting G5FZ on the air and working around the shack. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

On Sunday 20 February Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society is taking part in Thinking Day On The Air as GB0MHG. For more information contact Peter D Rivers, G4XEX, on 01858 432105.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND

On Sunday 13 February Wakefield & District Radio Society is running the Northern Cross Rally at Thornes Park Sports Centre, Wakefield WF2 8TY. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563117.

On Monday 14 February Bolton Wireless Club is having a talk on amateur satellite operating by John, G1YYH. For details, send an email to boltonwireless@gmail.com.

On Monday 14 February Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on electrical safety by David, G6DCT. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 14 February Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is watching a video with Ted, G4WBB. Contact Colin Hirst, G0EPY, by email to colmay@sky.com.

On Tuesday 15 February Chester & District Amateur Radio Society has a surplus sale at Burley Hall. Details from Barbara Green on 07957 870770.

On Tuesday 15 February Halifax and District Amateur Radio Club is having a demonstration of Slow Scan Television by John, M0JPA. Contact Martin, M0GQB on 01422 341317.

On Tuesday 15 February Otley Amateur Radio Society is having an open shack night and tech chat. Contact Paul, 2E0PAK, on 07768 996370.

On Tuesday 15 February Stockport Radio Society has an Introduction to operating the HF digital modes by Evan Duffield, M0TJU. More information from Nigel Roscoe, on 07973 312 699.

On Wednesday 16 February Denby Dale Radio Club is having a club night. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220126.

On Thursday 17 February Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on the myth or reality of QRP DXing. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 0787 608 5631.

On Thursday 17 February South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having a talk on an HF upconverter by Bill, G4EDM. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 0161 969 3999.

On Thursday 17 February Wakefield & District Radio Society is on the air, having a rally debrief and committee meeting. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ,

on 07900 563117.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND

On Monday 14 February Glengormley Electronics Amateur Radio Society is having a 2m operational night. . Details from Peter Lowrie, MI5JYK, by email to mi5jyk@rsgb.org.uk.

On Monday 14 February Greenisland Electronics Amateur Radio Society is having its club VHF activity night as MN0PQR. Details from Mi5JYK, by email to mi5jyk@rsgb.org.uk.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND

On Tuesday 15 February Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club evening. Details from Norman, on 07740 946192.

On Wednesday 16 February West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society is having a Solder Group homebrew projects and licence training evening. More information from Fred Coombes, 2M0BIN, on 01415 715512.

On Thursday 17 February Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is on the air and working on construction. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663.

On Friday 18 February Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club is having a radio check night with John, MM0JXI. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723.

On Friday 18 February West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society is having presentations, guest speakers, a quiz and a raffle. More information from Fred Coombes, 2M0BIN, on 01415 715512.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA

Whitton Amateur Radio Group in West London is planning to start a new Foundation course. Commencing on Wednesday 2 March at 7.30pm, it will lead to the exam on 25 April. The course tutor will be Colin, M0DMJ. Any one wishing to learn more about the course please contact Ian, G0OFN by email to G0OFN@msn.com. Full details can be found at www.warg.info.

On Monday 14 February Coulsdon Amateur Transmitting Society is having a talk on a motorcycle trip to the Himalayas by M0NAT. Details from Steve Beal, G3WZK, by email to secretary@catsradio.org.

On Monday 14 February West Kent Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by Richard, G8CDD, on keeping the big trucks moving. More information from Les, G6UBM, by email to westkentars@googlemail.com.

On Tuesday 15 February Andover Radio Amateurs Club is having a club night and holding a committee meeting. Details from Martin, M0MWS, on 07776 181646.

On Tuesday 15 February Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720815.

On Tuesday 15 February Bromley & District Amateur Radio Society is planning its programme. Details from Andy, G4WGZ, on 01689 878089.

On Wednesday 16 February Havering & District Amateur Radio Club is having an informal evening. Contact John, M0UKD, on 07817 365354.

On Wednesday 16 February Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is having an informal, construction, shack, Bright Sparks evening and taking part in the RSGB CC Data contest. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898678.

On Wednesday 16 February Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is having a discussion evening. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816684.

On Thursday 17 February Colchester Radio Amateurs has a show and tell night. More information from Kevan, 2E0WMG, on 07766 543784.

On Thursday 17 February Cray Valley Radio Society is having a talk on RAYNET by Phil, G6AQP. Details from Bob, M0MCV, on 020 8265 7735 after 8pm.

On Thursday 17 February Horsham Amateur Radio Club is having a social at The Selsey Arms, Coolham. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk.

On Thursday 17 February Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a club night at the shack. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564242.

On Thursday 17 February Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society has a talk on long Yagis by Paul, G1GSN. Details from David, G8UOD, on 01234 742 757.

On Thursday 17 February Sutton & Cheam Radio Society is having a talk on air traffic control by Ross MacDonald from Gatwick Airport NATS Services. More information from John, G0BWV, on 020 8644 9945.

On Friday 18 February Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club invites members to bring and talk about their communication receivers. Details from Ron Huntsman, on 012233 501712.

On Friday 18 February Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a radio night. Contact Peter, G4AKG, on 01444 239371.

On Friday 18 February Wey Valley Amateur Radio Group is having a talk by Don Field, G3XTT. Details on the web at www.weyvalleyarg.org.uk.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST

On Monday 14 February Cornish Radio Amateur Club is having a talk on computer and music by Peter, G3WKP. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844939.

On Monday 14 February Exeter Amateur Radio Society is having a club night. More information from Nick, on 01363 775756.

On Tuesday 15 February West Devon Radio Club is having a QRP evening with M1AGY. Further information from Jules Cuddy, M1AGY, on 01752 291588.

On Wednesday 16 February Taunton & District Amateur Radio Club is participating in the RSGB CC Contest, data. Contact William, G3WNI, on 01823 666 234 for more information.

On Wednesday 16 February Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club has a video night. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417048.

On Wednesday 16 February Trowbridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night.. Details from Ian, G0GRI, on 01225 864 698, evenings and weekends.

On Thursday 17 February South Bristol Amateur Radio Club watching the South Atlantic DXpedition video with Adrian, 2E0JUW. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695471.

On Thursday 17 February Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317750.

On Friday 18 February Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES

On Tuesday 15 February Marches Amateur Radio Society visiting the BT Network Centre at Whittington House for a members-only conducted tour of the facility. For more information contact Dave, MW0AYM, on 01691 777242.

On Tuesday 15 February Wrexham Amateur Radio Society is having an HF operating night. More information from Patrick, 2W0HUU, on 07947 701 927.

147. NZART Misses the boat again.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-11 21:47:41 UTC
From: Peter Bennett ZL1UPB <news-nospam@zlham.geek.nz>
Message-ID: <ij4apvamf1@posting.glorb.com>
Source record: 4837

Greetings All

This is one of the reasons I am not a member of NZART any longer.
They are dumb arses. I informed ZL Ham members about the need to put in
a submission in December 2010 and subsequently made a submission on the
due date despite very few showing an interest.

http://www.zlham.geek.nz/modules.php?name=News&file=article&sid=109

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http://www.zlham.geek.nz/modules.php?name=News&file=article&sid=130&mode=&order=0&thold=0

NZART finally got around to notifying members on close off day and have
had to ask MED RSM for an extension of time to allow NZART to get with
the play.

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From NZART Headquarters SPECIAL Infoline Issue 24S

Proposed Changes to 27 MHz Amateur Band
It has just come to our notice that changes being proposed by the Radio
Spectrum Policy and Planning group to the CB licence (see
http://www.rsm.govt.nz/cms/pdf-library/policy-and-planning/current-projects/
cb-discussion-paper-gul-2010.pdf)
will, if approved, give CB radio users access to our 26.95 to 27.3 MHz
Amateur Band. (There are also changes planned at UHF but these do not
appear to affect Amateurs.)

Submissions on the proposals are due to close tomorrow -11-FEB-2011- but
we have agreement from the Ministry that we may put in a late submission.

If you have an interest in this area and feel that you could contribute
to an NZART submission, please email the ALO, Don Wallace, ZL2TLL

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Are the dumb arses at NZART really looking after the best interests of
New Zealand radio hams?

I note the wording above. NZART seem to think the small segment of the
11 meter band is an Amateur allocation. This small segment is of little
use to NZ Amateurs as it is limited to very low power and there is
nobody to talk to.

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Peter Bennett ZL1UPB
http://www.zlham.geek.nz

148. SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 13 FEBRUARY 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-12 20:00:23 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <20110212200009.B9A9C33C4E@panix2.panix.com>
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SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 13 FEBRUARY 2011

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'ARMI' and follow the links for details. PLEASE NOTE: for audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail. Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 and 3,695 MHz SSB.

In the news today

NEW REGULATIONS

ALLOCATION OF ZS9 CALL SIGNS

TONY REUMERMAN BURSARY AWARDED

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting news items.

NEW REGULATIONS

The ICASA board reviewed the revised draft regulations. This followed after a public hearing held in early December where the SARL made a lengthy and detailed presentation about the concerns of the Amateur Radio Community. The SARL understands that a further draft for comment will be published in the Government Gazette in the next two weeks. This time ICASA will not hold public hearings but only invite written comment. The SARL will keep a watching brief and make the second draft available as soon as it has been published in the Government Gazette.

ALLOCATION OF ZS9 CALL SIGNS

When the original request was made to ICASA to issue ZS9 calls, the proposal by a group of radio amateurs who had formed a contest group, was based there-on that ZS9 call signs would only be allocated to a club for contesting purposes. Of late individual radio amateurs are now applying for ZS9 call signs for their own general use. ICASA is now looking at setting guidelines that will determine the conditions under which ZS9 call signs will be issued. The item is on the Agenda of the ICASA/SARL liaison meeting to be held on 25 February 2011.

One option would be to reserve ZS9 call signs for special event contest stations allocated on an event by event basis. If the ZS9 prefix is allocated to individual amateurs it will lose its special significance. Your comments are invited. Send it to armi@sarl.org.za before 18 February 2011 to afford the Council of the SARL to take your views into consideration before tabling the SARL views to ICASA at the liaison meeting. Please keep your comments concise and to the point.

TONY REUMERMAN BURSARY AWARDED

The South African Amateur Radio Development Trust has awarded the Tony Reumerman Bursary for young people to study for the class A Radio Amateur Examination to Dirk Johan van Vuuren of Krugersdorp.

The bursary of R1 000 is intended to pay for the examination fees, one year membership of the SARL as a student member, course fees and other study material.

The Tony Reumerman bursary was recently established in recognition of the contribution Tony made to technology development in Amateur Radio. He and his family have donated R20 000, which is being invested, and the interest will be used to finance the bursary.

The Trust has made two more bursaries available. It is however ironic that at club level it is so often said that young people cannot afford the examination and course fees, yet when the Trust announced that bursaries for the May examination were available for young people under 25, only one application was received. For more details about class A RAE bursaries visit www.amateurradio.org.za.

KLETSkous - more details released

SA AMSAT has released a further document setting out details of the proposed KLETSkous CubeSat project. Visit www.amsatsa.org.za for details.

ARISAT-1 TO BE LAUNCHED FROM THE ISS NEXT WEEK

Expedition 26 Flight Engineers Dmitry Kondratyev and Oleg Skripochka, RN3FU, will step outside the International Space Station (ISS) on Wednesday, February 16. While in space, they will install and retrieve experiments on the Russian segment of the complex and deploy ARISSat-1, a small amateur satellite. NASA TV coverage will begin at 6:45 (CST), while the spacewalk will begin about 30 minutes later.

During the nearly six hour spacewalk, Kondratyev and Skripochka will deploy an experiment called ARISSat-1, a boxy 57-pound nano satellite that houses congratulatory messages commemorating the 50th anniversary of Yuri Gagarin's launch to become the first human in space. ARISSAT will enable communications with Radio amateurs around the world for three to six months. It is the first of a series of educational satellites being developed in a partnership with the Radio Amateur Satellite Corp, the NASA Office of Education International Space Station National Lab Project, and the Amateur Radio on the

International Space Station (ARISS) program and RSC-Energia.

You can watch it live at http://www.nasa.gov/ntv.

Current ARISSAT is being tested on board the ISS and can be copied on 145,950 MHz when orbiting over South Africa.

SECOND ZS-WAS TRIPLE PLAY AWARD MADE

Following on the heels of Barry, ZS2EZ, the second Worked All States Triple Play award has been made to a South African Radio Amateur. Certificate no 508 dated 17 January 2011 was awarded to Donovan van Loggerenberg, ZS2DL, for working all 50 US States on phone, CW and RTTY and confirming all the contacts via Logbook of the World.

CONTEST NEWS

The SARL Digital Contest has been created to encourage contacts between radio amateurs in Southern Africa using the PSK31 and/or RTTY. The contest is open to all radio amateurs in Southern Africa.

The first Digital contest for 2011 will be run from 13:00 to 16:00 UTC on Sunday 27 February with activity on 80, 40 and 20 metres. The following segments must be used, on 80 metres 3 580 to 3 600 kHz; 40 metres - 7 040 to 7 060 kHz and 20 metres - 14 070 to 14 099 kHz with PSK31 preferred at the lower end and RTTY preferred at the upper end of the specified frequencies. Please note that USB must be used at all times.

A station may be contacted twice on each band, once on RTTY and once on PSK31. A signal report plus a sequential serial number starting at 001 is exchanged. The complete rules can be found on page 58 and 59 of the 2011 SARL Contest Manual.

Results of the 2011 Summer QRP Sprint.

15 logs were received which showed that at least 72 stations were on the air. Of the 15 received logs, 5 stations operated both modes (SSB and CW).

All the divisions were active as well as 2 DX stations. There were only a few ZR and ZU's - wonder why ??

In total 255 contacts were made of which 234 were voice and 21 CW.

The final results are as follows:-

1st ZS6WR 792 points

2nd ZS6A 768 points

3rd ZS6AF 720 points

4th ZS2J 675 points

5th ZS6XT 560 points

6th ZS6SKY 528 points

7th ZS6BNE 240 points

8th ZS6SGM 234 points

9th ZU6TAN 180 points 10th ZS5J 168 points 11th ZU6HOT 165 points 12th ZS6RBJ 150 points 13th ZS6ARQ 140 points 14th ZS6APT 88 points 15th ZS2EC 60 points

CLUB NEWS

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is still at low levels. Sunspot 1 153 is rotating out of direct earth view and Sunspot 1 156, which is located in the southern hemisphere has been quiet. The effective sunspot number is expected to be less than 20 for the coming week.

15 m will provide the best opportunities for DX followed by 20 m. Conditions to India will be good from the afternoon till after sunset. During the afternoons conditions will be fair towards Europe on 15 m, later to be followed by fair 20 m openings. Good 15 m contacts with the USA are possible during the evenings. Contacts with Australia are possible on 20 m at sunrise. 15 and especially 20 m openings to Brazil and South America are possible during the afternoons. With the good 15 and 20 m openings 17 m will also be full of surprises.

For the CW and digital enthusiasts 30 m may be very rewarding with openings to many parts of the world.

Locally 40 m is the workhorse for contacts around the country with 20 and 30-m also being very useful for contacts over the longer distances. 80 m will be best during the early mornings and late afternoons as well as over the shorter distances.

80 m is the frequency of choice during the evenings.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

13 February - SARL National Field Day and ZS85SARL on the air for the last time, ends today Sunday at 12:00 CAT. 18 February - Comments on ZS9 call signs to be in to armi@sarl.org.za. 21 February - Logs for the SARL field day to be in to the Bloemfontein ARC. 25 February - Logs for AWA CW Activity day to be in to Andy, ZSADY. 27 February - The first Digital contest for 2011 will be run from 13:00 to 16:00 UTC on Sunday with activity on 80, 40 and 20 metres. 28 February - Offers to host a station at Sun City during IARU Region 1 conference to be in to iaru2011@sarl.org.za. 25 March - SAiSAT briefing session at the NARC.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to

www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 560 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'ARMI' and follow the links. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 22:05 CAT on 3 215 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by Gustav, ZS6BWN.

Thank you for listening, 73.
/EX
========== Message Ends ========== To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp

149. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 13th February 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-13 21:00:13 UTC
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Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 13th February 2011

Request for Return of IRTS Trophies and Cups

It is time once again to recall all trophies presented at the 2010 IRTS, AGM held in Dundalk.

Trophies and Cups can be returned to the IRTS Stand at the Phoenix Radio Club Rally in Coolmine on Sunday February 20th 2011 or to any IRTS Committee Member before end of February 2011.

This will allow for any engraving to be done, or to allow any repairs as needed.

Early return will be appreciated. Peter EI4HX can be contacted on ei4hxperimental / at/eircom / dot/ net.

IRTS Awards Nominations.

The time is here again for nominations for the several awards for IRTS Trophies and cups that are required from within the membership, this includes the awards for,

1. Service to the Society or to Amateur Radio. Awards in this category can be to members or non-members.

2. Awards for other achievements.

Awards in this category [2] include the 4 and 6 Meter Shields, the SWL Award, and the awards for Quality Construction Projects. These are confined to members only.

When considering your nominations, please refer to previous successful winners as included in www.irts.ie/cgi/awards.cgi

Nominations may be from Clubs or Individuals, must be by post or e-mail, and can be forwarded to the Awards Committee Members, Pat EI2HX and Pat EI9HX, or to Peter Grant EI4HX, Chair of Awards Committee, QTHR, or by e-mail to ei4hxperimental/ at/ eircom/ dot/ net.

Closing date for nominations is February 30th 2011.

IRTS News E-mail Address

With immediate effect the preferred email contact address for both the weekly news bulletin and Echo Ireland is newsteam / at / irts/ dot/ ie

150. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #998

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-13 21:41:39 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <421599.65934.qm@smtp101.sbc.mail.ne1.yahoo.com>
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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 6th-February, through Sunday, 13th-February there were 227 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A3, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HC, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S5, S7, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T2, T30, T5, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VK9M, VP2E, VP2V, VP5, VP6, VP8, VP8/o, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD9, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS, ZS8

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

4W6, TIMOR-LESTE. Operators Stuie/VK8NSB, Franck/VK8FNCY, Steve/9M6DXX, John/9M6XRO and Oliver/MW0JRX will be operating from the coast of Timor-Leste (East Timor) between September 16-26th. The location will be Atauro Island (OC-232), 30km north of the capital Dili. The group is working

closely with the Timor-Leste licensing authority and the DXpedition callsign will be announced soon. There will be three stations, two using full licensed power linear amplifiers, and a third running 100W. Antennas will mainly be quarter-wave verticals and vertical dipoles, all located within a few meters of the ocean. For 160m an inverted-L will be used. Activity will be on all bands 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Atauro Island was chosen in order to provide a quiet location well away from the electrical noise of downtown Dili. The beach-front site will allow the group to put up vertical antennas right by the ocean, providing additional low-angle gain. In addition, the island counts as OC-232 and is part of a very rare IOTA group having being confirmed by only 18% of active IOTA participants. This is not a "fly in, hotel, and fly out" DXpedition! Accommodation on Atauro Island is very basic and will be in beach huts with no means of electricity or running water. All power for the DXpedition will be provided using hired generators. As such, the group will be requesting donations. A Web site will be available soon, and further details will be published on the Web site. QSL via M0URX, direct (SAE plus 1 IRC/2 USDs), by the Bureau, or LoTW. Alternatively, QSLs may be requested using M0URX's OQRS form at: http://www.m0urx.com/qsl-request-form

5B, CYPRUS. Zoli, HA5PP, will once again be active as 5B/HA5PP during the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest (March 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via HA5PP.

5X, UGANDA (Update). Nick, G3RWF, will once again be active as 5X1NH from Fort Portal in western Uganda, and will be there between February 19th and April 14th. Usually he is there to do voluntary work, so his activity is usually outside the work hours. He prefers to operate CW but plans to also be on the Digital modes with some SSB. Activity will be on all bands except 160m (no room for an antenna) and 6 meters is not licensed. He mentions that he will be taking a linear (thanks G3PJT) and hopes to make a better effort on 80 meters. His rig is a K3. QSL via his home callsign and LoTW.

9V, SINGAPORE. Marco, DL4MN, is now active as 9V1/DL4MN until the end of February. He is currently operating sporadically using a dipole on CW, SSB and RTTY. He was heard this past weekend on the CQ WPX RTTY Contest. QSL via his home callsign.

9Y, TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO. Mickey, AK5Q, will be active as 9Y4/AK5Q from Port of Spain, Trinidad, during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 19-20th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m)/Low-Power entry. QSL via his home callsign, direct (w/SASE) or by the Bureau.

CQ PRESS RELEASE. Richard Moseson/W2VU, Editor of CQ Amateur Radio, sent out the following press release on February 8th: "George Tranos, N2GA, Named CQ Magazine Contesting Editor -- George Tranos, N2GA, of Long Island, New York, has been named Contesting Editor of CQ Amateur Radio magazine, Editor Rich Moseson, W2VU, announced today. Tranos succeeds John Dorr, K1AR, who stepped down after writing the magazine's contesting column for nearly 22 years.

Tranos has two decades of contesting experience in a variety of station settings, and has several top scores to his credit, both as a single operator and as part of contesting teams. He has operated extensively from the Caribbean as well as from his home station in New York, and has been a referee at three World Radio Teamsport Championship competitions, in 2000, 2006 and 2010.
George is a member of the Yankee Clipper Contest Club and the New York-based Order of Boiled Owls contest club. He is also a former ARRL Section Manager and past Chairman of Ham Radio University, a day of amateur radio seminars and fellowship on Long Island.
Professionally, Tranos is president of a software and management consulting firm, vice president of a school for professional motorcycle riders, and a freelance journalist. He is married to Diane Ortiz, K2DO, an accomplished contester herself and a former columnist for CQ Contest magazine which was published in the 1990s.
CQ Editor Rich Moseson said, 'I am confident that George will uphold the high standards for this column established by K1AR and will bring his to it his own perspective. I look forward to working with him over the coming years.'
'I am honored to have been asked to contribute to CQ magazine,' said Tranos. 'The contesting column is always the first thing I read. I hope to be able to keep up the great standards and traditions that compel me and many others to look forward to each issue.'
George's first column will appear in the March 2011 issue of CQ."

CY0, SABLE ISLAND (Update). Randy, N0TG, reports (edited): The team has set March 7-15th as the target schedule to activate Sable Island. We welcome, Wayne, K8LEE, who has recently joined the team replacing WA4DAN who had to withdraw due to business commitments. We will be traveling to Halifax, Canada, on March 5th to take care of final logistics details in preparation for the charter flight to Sable. The team has maximized their personal schedules to be as flexible as possible to adapt to any potential weather delays. The Web site will be updated periodically as to the status and any potential impact on the planned activation date, including while in Halifax." The CY0 Web page is at: http://www.cy0dxpedition.com

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, Awards Branch Manager, reports that the following has been approved for DXCC credit:
9X0SP - Rwanda; 2010 DXpedition
"If you had cards that were recently rejected for this operation, please send an E-mail to the ARRL DXCC Desk," Moore said. "Please note that due to extremely heavy E-mail, DXCC staff may not respond to your message. Once your record is updated, results will appear in Logbook of The World (LoTW) accounts or in the live, daily DXCC Standings."

E2, THAILAND. Champ, E21EIC will be active during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 19-20th) as a Single-Op entry. QSL via E21EIC. Visit his Web page at: http://www.e21eic.net

EG8, CANARY ISLANDS (Special Event). Look for special event station EG8ISS to be on the air between February 12th and March 11th, from Las Palmas,

Gran Canaria (AF-004, DIE S-005, WLOTA L 0969). Activity is to celebrate/
publicize the first ARISS (International Space Station) contact with one
of the "Institute for Technological Development and Innovation in Communi-
cations" (IDeTIC) facilities on campus. The special event station will be
on the HF bands, 40-10 meters, using CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK31 and SSTV. Also,
activities are planned for VHF (2m FM local and R7 repeater) and the
satellites (AO-27, SO-50, AO-51 and VO-52). There is a special QSL card
designed for this event that will be automatically mailed to your QRZ.com
address. Please, keep in mind that they aren't highly skilled radio
operators, so be patient if there are any pileups. More info is available
on the QRZ.com under EG8ISS. A Twitter page is also available at:
http://twitter.com/eg8iss

FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA. Ted, K8AQM, is once again heading to the Pacific,
but this time to Tahiti. Look for him to be active as FO/K8AQM from
Morrea Island (OC-046) between February 20-25th. Activity will be holiday
style with 100 watts and a vertical on 20 meters (maybe 30m if possible).
QSL via his home callsign, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW.

FS & PJ7, ST. MARTIN AND SINT MAARTEN. Jeff, VA3QSL, will be active as
FS/VA3QSL from St. Martin Island (NA-105, DIFO FS-001, WLOTA 0383), and
as PJ7/VA3QSL from Sint Maarten Island (A-105, WLOTA 0711) between
February 23-27th. Activity will be holiday style on 40-10 meters using
CW and SSB. Watch around or near the usual IOTA frequencies. QSL via
his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

HC, ECUADOR. Rick, NE8Z, will once again be heading south to Ecuador and
be active from two different location between February 23rd and March 12th.
His activity will be mainly on the 30/17/12 meter bands from the following
QTHs and using the following callsigns:
HC1MD - QTH: Tumbaco, Pichincha Province; between February 23rd and
March 3rd, and again between March 9-12th. Activity will be on
80-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. He plans to have 500 watts
and use a Cushcraft A3WS 17/12m yagi, Cushcraft R-7 vertical
and a Carolina Windom antenna.

HC1MD/HC4 - QTH: Canoa, Manabi Province (NOT an IOTA) on the Equator
at the Pacific Ocean; between March 4-8th. Activity will be
on 40-10 meters using CW and SSB. He plans to use 100 watts
and a Cushcraft R-7 vertical and Carolina Windom Mini antenna.
Rick states that he will be able to monitor the DXCluster. QSL via K8LJG:
John Kroll, 3528 Craig Drive, Flint, MI 48506 USA. View and apply for the
HC/Ecuador and HC8/Galapagos DX-Diplomas at:
http://webpages.charter.net/ne8z

HI, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC. Operators Tino/HI3CC, Franky/HI3FVA,
Ezequiel/HI3EPR,
Naomi/JM6EBU and Hiro/JA6WFM will be active in the ARRL DX SSB Contest as
HI3CC
(March 5-6th) from Lomas del Toro in Santiago (Lomadeltoro Contest Team's
HI3CCP station) (NA-096, WLOTA LH-2974) as a Multi-Single/Low-Power entry.
QSL via ON4IQ. Visit their contest Web page at: http://www.lomadeltoro.com

Look for Naomi (NP3JA/HI3) and Hiro (NP3J/HI3) to be active before and after the contest. ADDED NOTE. Look for NP3JA and NP3J to be active from Ponce, Puerto Rico, between February 25-27th. QSL NP3JA via JM6EBU and NP3J via JA6WFM, direct or LoTW.

II9, ITALY. Members of the IU9T team will use the special callsign II9T from Sicily (EU-025) during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 19-20th) and the CQ WPX SSB Contest (March 26-27th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via IT9ESW.

IOTA NEWS.....
AF-018. Operator Raffaele, IH9YMC, will be active from Pantelleria Island (IIA TP-001, MIA MI-124, WW Loc. JM56XT), African Italy, during the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest (March 26-27th) as a Single-Op/low-Power entry. QSL via eQSL.

AF-019. (REAL EARLY ANNOUNCEMENT) Operator Luigi, IK8HCG, will be active as IG9R from Lampedusa Island, African Italy, during the next CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th). QSL via IK8HCG.

EU-125. Stefan, DL7AOS, will be using the special callsign 5P5K from Romo Island between March 20th and April 1st. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using a FT-857 with 500w into a vertical antenna near the beach. Look for 5P5K to also be operating in the CQ WPX Contest (March 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/ High-Power entry. QSL via DL7AOS, direct using the QRZ.com address or by the Bureau.

OC-239. Joni, YB9WZJ, will be active as YB9WZJ/p from Doom Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st) as a Single-Op entry. QSL only direct ti YB9WZJ.

KH2, GUAM (Update). Take, JS6RRR, is now active as KH2/JS6RRR from Guam (OC-026) until 0300z, February 15th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB, FM, RTTY and PSK31. QSL KH2/JS6RRR via JS6RRR, by the Bureau (E-mail requests to JS6RRR@jarl.com) or direct (SASE).

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (For February 14-20th)....
Feb 14 AN SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS
Feb 15 AN --------------------
Feb 16 AN BN - Below Normal
Feb 17 AN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Feb 18 AN LN - Low Normal
Feb 19 AN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Feb 20 AN DIS - Disturbed
VDIS - Very Disturbed

GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

JW, SVALBARD. Operators Glenn/LA8XRA and Trond/LA9VDA will be active as JW8XRA and JW9VDA, respectively from Svalbard, between February 20-25th. Activity will probably be from the JW5E club station in Longyearbyen on Spitsbergen Island (EU-026) and on all bands, CW and SSB. QSL via their home callsigns. For direct QSLs, please add 3 USDs or 1 new and stamped IRC with a SAE. Cards without this will be sent through the Bureau.
A big thanks to Dave, W5BXX, for his support.

PJ2, CURACAO (Correction). Operators Don/W5FKX, Jim/N5HZ, Dave/W5XU and Mike/W5ZPA will be active as PJ2/homecall from the Signal Point Station (PJ2T) on Curacao (SA-099, WLOTA LH-0942) between March 10-17th. Activity will be on all bands and modes. All QSLs for this should be sent via the individual operator's home callsign.

PJ2, CURACAO. Operators Hawa/DK9KX, Dieter/DJ9ON and Jan/DJ8NK will operate from Curacao (SA-099, WLOTA LH-0942) between June 26th and July 7th. They will have a strongly emphasis on 6 meters, but the HF bands will also be used on CW, SSB and RTTY. Callsign and further info will be published soon.

PJ7, SINT MAARTEN. The PJ7X team is pleased to announce that they will be operating from Sint Maarten (NA-105), one of the newest entities on the DXCC list, for 12 days in October and November 2011. The international team consists of the following experienced operators with 187 years of amateur radio involvement among them:
Jan Harders, DJ8NK Kan Mizoguchi, JA1BK
Paul Granger, F6EXV Rich Gelber, K2WR
They will arrive in St. Maarten on October 26th, and depart on November 9th. This time span includes the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th), which they will enter in the Multi-2 category. Their intention is to keep 2 stations on the air for 24 hours a day to the extent possible. During peak periods, they may be able to run a third station. Emphasis will be on CW and SSB, but they will also operate RTTY as much as possible. The operation will include all bands from 80-10 meters, including the 30/17/12 meter bands, but not including 60 meters. Also, they will not be operating on 160 meters due to space limitations at their operating location, nor on 6 meters. The primary callsign used will be PJ7X. Other callsigns will be PJ7NK and PJ7J. The PJ7J callsign will be reserved for use on 75 and 80 meters, and a principal goal of this operation will be to make as many QSOs as possible with Europe and Japan on this band. QSL information is:
PJ7X via F6EXV PJ7NK via DJ8NK PJ7J via JA1BK
Internet log checking, updated daily, is planned. All logs will be uploaded to "Logbook of the World" a few months after completion of the operation. Website is coming soon! They hope to fill in lots of band/modes slots for those who need them and even provide an all-time new one for some.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated February 13th)

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6W/HA0NAR via HA0NAR KH0/G3ZEM via M0URX SN25KVZ via SP9KVZ
A71/JY5FX via JY5FX KH6/AA4V via AA4V SN51CCB via SP7CCB

DA0DD via DG0DCL LM11SKI via LA4O (via Bureau only) SN51DOS via SP7PSQ
EM15U via UT7UA LP2F via LU1FDU SN51EQB via SQ7EQB
EV25G via EW8OG LZ170MDS via LZ-Bureau T70DXC via IZ8IYX
FR/F8APV via F8APV OD5ET via EB7DX TG9IGI via I2MQP
GJ/PB0P via PB0P OK/DH7WW/P via DH7WW TM8AAW via F8DVD
HA40KKC via HA5MA OP2A via ON5CD VK0KEV via JE1LET
HP1XX via DJ0LZ (direct only) P29CW via VK2IR VK7FLI via VK7AN
II7ITA via IQ7DV P49X via W0YK VU2UR via SM3DBU
IP1NAVY via IZ1HKE PI35EDE via PI4EDE WP3A via K2DER
IR3WFF via IW3ILM PJ2/DF7DQ via EA5GVH XV2FPS via OK1FPS
J6/DF2SS via DF2SS PJ6/G4IUF via G4IUF XV2GE via OE3GEA
J37BO via K4LTA PJ6/N4HH via N4NX Z38/IZ4JMA via
IZ4JMA
JW8AJA via LA9VDA R4YWI via RK4YYY

NEW MANAGER. Petr, OK1DOT, informs OPDX that he is the new QSL Manager for HR2DMR. ONLY QSL direct since Petr is no longer a member of the Czech Radioklub, so the Bureau QSL service is not available. Please enclose sufficient return postage (2 USDs or 2 new IRCs) and a Self-Addressed Envelope (SAE) if you QSL direct.

QSL STATUS S59DJK, S50W AND S50PTUJ. Herman, S51NM, informs OPDX that the Radioclub Ptuj (S59DJK) has announced to all who had made QSOs with a special club callsign S50PTUJ between August 5th and November 5th, 2010, that their QSL cards are coming from the printer next week. The first batch of direct QSLs will go to the post office first, and all others (about 5600 of them) will go to the S5 (ZRS) Bureau. They also inform that since January 1st, 2011, QSOs with the club callsigns S59DJK, S50W and S50PTUJ (after Feb. 20th, 1998) have been uploaded to the LoTW. Herman states, "Thanks for the patience, to all who sent direct QSLs (mostly JA and USA), who have been waiting for an answer so long."

QSLS VIA LoTW: HI3TEJ, JS3CTQ, T32OU and T88ZM

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 1A0KM, 3C0C, 5B50AIF, 5V7TT, 5W0BR, 5X1NH, 5Z4/G4OHX, 6V7T, 8Q7FF, C6AKQ, C91DL, C91JR, CO8ZZ, CX5CW, D44TBV, EK3SA, FO5RH, FR/DJ7RJ, HI3TEJ, HK0GU, HK1R, HK1X, KC4AAA, KC4USV, KL7RA, KL7RRC/P, MJ/PA3EWP, OA4TT, PJ2/K2NV, PJ2/N2MF, PJ2T, RI1FJ, S21YX, T80W, TL0A, V73TM, VK5AUQ, VY2ZM, XR0Y, ZB3R, ZD9AH, ZD9GI and ZD9T

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 5B/DL2HRT, 9Q/DK3MO, CG3AY, DF1SZ, DL6DH, DL7ON, HI7/DK7PE, LW3DG, OE100M, OY3AA, PJ2T (2006/2007), SP9KRT, T33R, UA9NN, V31YN/P, VE3ZZ/VY2 and YS4/N0AT

RUSSIAN WW PSK CONTEST 2011. The Contest-Committee of EPC Russian section hopes to see your callsigns among the participants of Russian WW PSK Contest from 2100z Friday, February 18th, until 2100z Saturday, February 19th. Modes BPSK31, BPSK63 and BPSK125 will fly through all bands from 160-10 meters. They ask you to support them and take personal part as well as in team, in order to:
- represent worthy the amateurs of digital modes on air;

- define the strongest among the sportsmen in the world, on the continents, in Russia and in other countries;
- struggle for prize-winning places and receive our plaques, cups and awards;
- enlarge collections of hunters for EPC awards and get necessary points for the most complex and prestige awards, for example, PSFA (do not forget to fill up locators in the log after the contest).
If you make less than 50 QSO's and indicate in line "soapbox" of your report that it is your first PSK contest, they shall be glad to present you with the memorable award for participation after checking of this declaration and confirming of the final result.
All popular contest-programs support their contest. For users of MixW they have prepared the help file on adjustment of MixW for RUS WW PSK.
They wish you great success, and they hope to work on air during Russian WW PSK Contest-2011! 73.... Contest Committee <www.epc-ru.ru>

SOUTHERN SUDAN TO RETURN TO COUNTRY STATUS. Over the last few months many have been waiting for the final outcome of the referendum vote for the separation of the Sudan and Southern Sudan, and now the great outcome is here. With the overwhelming majority of 90% of the people voting for another independent state, the Southern Sudan will once again become independent. With the Republic of Sudan agreeing to honor the referendum, and the United States pledging to recognize the new country status in July, it would seem that the DXCC Entity List would be going up one. Currently, reports indicate that the Southern Sudan will declare its independence on July 9th. There is even talk that this new country may even change its name, possibly without the name Sudan in it. Anyway, with this separation taking place, there were two major announcements this past week (possibly more in the coming weeks) of DXpeditions to take place in the middle of 2011 to activate this one (once the DXCC makes its ruling). Here are the two press releases:

1] Excerpts from "The Daily DX" states (edited): "...a working group has been established to enable Amateur Radio to enter the scene with a professional, supportive role in the context of introducing the new country to the world of Amateur Radio. It should be noted that this potential new country is emerging with a limited administrative structure, and the first Amateur Radio activation should - prior to the operation - be accompanied with a well-thought-out plan prepared in partnership with Southern Sudan's relevant authorities, such as telecommunications, security and education.
The group of Alex/5Z4DZ/PA3DZN, Robert/S53R and Martti/OH2BH has organized such an effort in discussions with Southern Sudan's insti-tutions and other related parties in the region.
Many of Southern Sudan's current institutions are represented in Nairobi, the home base of 5Z4DZ. Nairobi makes a practical hub for the project, facilitating the conduct of negotiations and travel to Juba, the region's future capital.
S53R and his team, with several well-known hams, are based in the region and maintain the telecommunications structure for UNWFP with related professional contacts. Their regional offices are in Southern

Sudan with all needed facilities and equipment.
The plan is to use OH2BH's past work and material for the establishment of Amateur Radio in evolving societies as a foundation for assisting the newborn nation to draft and utilize Amateur Radio to its full potential in a professional setting when Southern Sudan joins the international family of nations.
As public interest in Southern Sudan will run high over the next several months, this group has invited Bernie, W3UR, to be its spokesman in dealings with the Amateur Radio community. The group will also be holding discussions about the provision of potential help to Southern Sudan's prospective Amateur Radio Service with several entities, such as NCDXF, in addition to obtaining resources from Japan.
The group wants to encourage the DX community to closely follow the rather complicated process unfolding around the emerging new nation, and hopes for a peaceful continuation of the process as the official referendum results are announced, leading up to the ultimate declaration of independence by the new country.
Updates will be released from time to time between now and July, and it is predicted that prospects for a new DXCC counter are some months away with preparations well underway."

2] Paul, N6PSE, reports (edited): "The 'Intrepid-DX Group' and the 'DX Friends' have combined efforts to announce our next DXpedition, to the newly created country of Southern Sudan, to take place after July 9th, 2011.
The Intrepid-DX Group is the group which brought you the 2010 YI9PSE, IRAQ DXpedition. The DX Friends have brought you the 2006 S01R DXpedition to Western Sahara, the 2008 DXpedition to Rwanda as 9X0R, the 2009 DXpedition to Western Sahara as S04R, the 2010 DXpedition to Palestine as E4X and the 2010 DXpedition to San Marino as T70A.
Once again, ICOM America has agreed to be Global Radio Sponsor, while ACOM-K1LZ has agreed to provide the venerable ACOM amplifiers for this operation.
It is hoped that the callsign ST0DX will be issued this next week following our meeting with the Government of Southern Sudan Mission in America.
As with previous DXpeditions, this will be a major effort with a target of more than 150,000 QSOs. There will be up to ten stations on the air, using amplifiers along with high performance beams and vertical dipole arrays, 24 hours a day, for almost three weeks.
Our primary objective is to activate Southern Sudan with a view to giving as many DXers as possible a first contact with this new DXCC entity and, as a secondary objective, to give as many band-slots as possible.
We will soon be seeking contributions from sponsors to help defray the very significant logistics costs of this DXpedition. For example, there is limited electricity in Southern Sudan so generators will have to be shipped.
Details of how to donate will appear on our website which will be live very soon. PayPal donations may be made directly via the site.

All donations of 10 USDs or more will be acknowledged.
The logos of all DX clubs etc which have helped to sponsor the DXpedition will be shown on the QSL card, as will the names and callsigns of those who make an individual contribution of 100 USDs or more.
This first Press Release is intended mainly to alert you to our upcoming DXpedition. More information will be available soon via our website.
Thank you,
The Intrepid-DX Group and The DX Friends."
The groups Web page are: http://www.intrepid-dx.com
http://www.dxfriends.com

SV9, CRETE (EU-015). Willi, DJ7RJ, will once again be active as SV9/DJ7RJ between February 24th and March 15th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters, using CW and SSB. He prefers the lower bands. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

T31, CENTRAL KIRIBATI (Update). An international team will activate T31A from Kanton Island (OC-043) between April 17-28th. See OPDX.994 for more details. The latest update states, "We are finalizing the manifest and shipping arrangements. All equipment is to be moved from the QTH of N7CQQ to the port near Los Angeles for shipment to Apia." The T31A Web page is available at: http://www.T31A.com

TG9, GUATELMALA (160m). Franco, TG9NX, wants to inform the 160 meter DX community that he continues to receive requests for operations on the top band. However, Franco states that he is having big difficulties receiving on 160m due to noise and the fact that in Guatemala the Power Company uses the power lines to transmit. Despite this enormous inconvenience, he has logged 300+ QSOs. He states, "Therefore, it is not a matter of working split or simplex, the main problem is copying through this very high level of noise." He mentions also that his 160m operations have NOT stopped -- due to the harsh comments and his operating skills, is totally false.

TJ, CAMEROON (Update). The international team composed of members of the Provins ARC (F6KOP) will continue to be active as TJ9PF from Kribi until February 20th. As of press time, the team has worked 14220 QSOs (as of 1618z on February 13th) with 6457 unique callsigns. The team has reported power problems. For more details and updates, visit the TJ9PF Web page at: http://www.tj9pf.fr

UA2, KALININGRAD. Members of the UA2 Contest Club will be active as UA2F (ex-RW2F and RK2FWA) during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 19-20th) as a Multi-Single entry. They will also be active in the CQ 160-Meter SSB Contest (February 25-27th) as Multi-Op entry. QSL via DK4VW.

UK9, UZBEKISTAN. Fedor, UK9AA, will be active during the CQ 160-Meter SSB Contest (February 25-27th). He plans to use his new 5 element full size 160m yagi. QSL via UK9AA direct.

V5, NAMIBIA. Gert, ZS6AYU, will be active as V5/ZS6AYU from various locations between March 6-16th. Activity will be holiday style on 30-15 meters CW only (usually late afternoon and/or early morning). QSL via ZS6AYU direct only. LAST UPDATE: Gert's schedule is as follows:
March 6-7th - QTH Aus March 10-12th - QTH Swakopmund
March 8-9th - QTH Sesriem March 13-16th - QTH Okaukuejo near Etosha

VP8O, SOUTH ORKNEY ISLANDS. Members of the Microlight Penguins went QRT as VP8ORK from Signy Island (AN-008) on February 8th, at 0800z. The VP8ORK log shows (at 0800z, February 8th) that they have made 63643 QSOs with 17679 unique callsigns (41945/CW, 17090/SSB and 4608/RTTY). The online log can now be found at: http://www.clublog.org/charts/?c�8ork
If you want a QSL card there are three ways available to receive one: OQRS direct (on the VP8O Web page), OQRS Bureau (on the VP8O Web page) and direct by mail via VE3XN [w/SASE/Green Stamps/IRC(s)]. For more details and updates, visit the VP8O Web page at: http://www.vp8o.com

VP9, BERMUDA. Mark, AA1AC, will be operating from the Hamilton Parish, Bermuda (NA-005), as VP9/AA1AC from March 7-12th. QSL via to his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

VU4, ANDAMAN ISLANDS. It was announced that a team of members from the Amateur Radio Society of India plan to be active as VU4PB from Port Blair, between March 15�31st. They will have 4 stations on the air. More details will be forthcoming.

XU7, CAMBODIA. Look for Peter, NO2R, to be active as XU7ACY from Sihanouk Ville during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 19-20th) as a Single-Op/ All-Band/Lower-Power entry. QSL via W2EN.

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http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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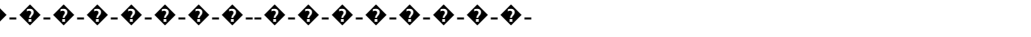
-  -

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151. MESMARISING VIDEOS&HOT PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-15 09:00:05 UTC
From: guru <sridatta9247@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <53050673-3dd1-4dc9-9fab-73dc058a88e3@q40g2000prh.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4841

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http://sexy-rainsongs.blogspot.com/
FUNNY VIDEOS
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DEEPIKA PADUKONE HOT VIDEOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/deepika-padukone.html
HOT ARCHANA STILLS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/archana.html
DEEKSHA SETH HOT WALLPAPERS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/deeksha-seth.html
KATRINA KAIF HOT VIDEOS&PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/katrina-kaif.html
SAMEERAREDDY HOT BOOBS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/sameerareddy.html
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152. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-15 18:35:22 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <68c41570-963a-410c-bc75-280900e11c8b@k15g2000prk.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4842

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On Feb 15, 4:00 am, guru <sridatta9...@gmail.com> wrote:
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153. MMMonVHF SPECIAL Newsletter 2011-02-15

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-15 18:52:38 UTC
From: MMMonVHF News Mailer <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <201102151722.p1FHMQmg022849@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 4843
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our SPECIAL NEWSLETTER of the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2011-02-15
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter one or two times per week.
For further detail please be so kind and refer at our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - welcome and enjoy ...

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144 MHz AURORA - PROPAGATION
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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Hallo Gents,

we suppose you've seen the 2 Solar Blasts from past hours?
Yesterday morning an M6 and this morning an X2.2 flare occured!
Both were accompanied by a CME and the spot was rather well
situated in direction earth... hence, perhaps Aurora-Propagation

! FINALLY ! The sun is active for us VHF people again!

BE PREPARED! Keep an eye at the VHF bands and if you have any
AURORA Observation, please do spot it via www.mmmonvhf.de/au.php
DO NOT FORGET TO SPOT THE QTF (direction) of your antennas...!

More about AURORA Propagation please follow our infos at:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/minibb/index.php?action=vtopic&forum=15

The VHF-DX-Portal will start to document the 144 MHz AURORA Openings
as you well know it from 144 MHz TROPO and 144 MHz ES Openings!

SOURCE: Peter, PA3BIY, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next thursday 2359 UTC ...

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HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats

like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USER who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/kontact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY & PA4EME

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154. [DXNL] DXNL 1715 (Feb 16, 2011)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-15 23:47:41 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <118812156015.20110216004346@dxhf.darc.de>
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C6 - BAHAMAS, NA-080
Bob,N4BP (C6AKQ), and Kevin,K4PG (C6APG), are in Freeport/Lucaya on
the Bahamas (NA-080) and will stay there until Feb 21 (including the
ARRL DX CW Contest). Bob arrives on Feb 15 and Kevin two days later.
A third OP may join them later who plans to focus on 160m then.
Outside of the contest they will work in CW and digital modes on the
WARC bands. QSLs direct or via LoTW to their homecalls.

FS - ST MARTIN / PJ7 - SINT MAARTEN, NA-105
From Feb 23-27 Jeff,VA3QSL, will be active as FS/VA3QSL from the
French part of St. Martin (NA-105, DIFO FS-001, WLOTA 0383) and
as PJ7/VA3QSL from the Dutch part Sint Maarten (NA-105, WLOTA 0711).
Jeff works "holiday style" in CW and SSB on 40m-10m, mostly on the
usual IOTA frequencies. QSLs via bureau or direct to his homecall.

HC - ECUADOR
Rick,NE8Z, is travelling through Ecuador again and will show up in CW,
SSB and RTTY on 80m-10m (WARC preferred) between Feb 23 and Mar 12 as
HC1MD from Pichincha Province (Feb 23-Mar 3 and Mar 9-12)
HC1MD/HC4 from Manabi Province (Mar 4-8)
QSL cards should be sent to K8LJG.

HH - HAITI, NA-096
Jan,HH4/K4QD, and Don,HH4/AF4Z, will stay on Haiti (NA-096) from Feb 18
until Mar 5. Activities will take place in CW, SSB, RTTY and maybe also
in PSK on 80m-10m. Both are working for the NW Haiti Christian Mission
(http://www.nwhcm.org) in Saint-Louis-Du-Nord.
Jan prefers QSLs direct or via LoTW, but via bureau is ok as well.
QSLs for AF4Z can be sent only direct unfortunately.

J7 - DOMINICA, NA-101
Lars,SM0CCM, is going to visit Dominica (NA-101) again from Feb 21 till
Mar 28. He will sign J73CCM in CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31 on all bands.

Stig,SM3PHM, will join him on Mar 14 and plans to be active as J79M.
Stig prefers working in CW on 160m.
QSLs should be sent via their homecalls, preferably via bureau or LoTW.

J8 - ST VINCENT, NA-109
Dave,G3TBK, plans to activate St. Vincent (NA-109) as J88DR between
Feb 16 and Mar 14. He wants to join the ARRL DX CW Contest, the ARRL
DX SSB Contest and the RSGB 74th Commonwealth Contes during this time.
Dave works in CW/SSB/RTTY on all HF bands (WARC bands preferred).
QSLs via RSGB bureau or direct via G3TBK.

JW - SVALBARD, EU-026
From Feb 20-25 Glenn,LA8XRA, and Trond,LA9VDA, will be active from
Svalbard (EU-026, WLOTA: LH-0125) signing JW8XRA and JW9VDA mostly in
CW and some RTTY or SSB on 160m-10m.
QSL cards should be sent via bureau or direct to their homecalls.

KH0 - NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS, OC-086
OM Yuichiro,KH0/JM2RUV, announced to be active in CW and SSB on all
bands from Feb 18-22. He wants to take part in the ARRL DX CW Contest.
QSL via bureau or direct to his homecall.

TG - GUATEMALA
David,TG7/N6HD, is working in CW and SSB on all bands from 160m-10m
between Feb 15 and Mar 7. QSL cards should be sent via his homecall.

V3 - BELIZE
Will,AA4NC, is staying Placencia from Feb 16-23 and wants to become
active as V31RR in CW, SSB and RTTY also on the WARC bands. He wants
to take part in the ARRL DX CW Contest as well.
QSL via AI4U or LoTW but NOT via bureau.

V4 - ST CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS, NA-104
Jon,V47JA (W5JON), and his XYL Cathy,V4/W5HAM, are going to spend their
holidays in Calypso Bay (NA-104) between Feb 16 and Mar 30. Activities
will take place in SSB on 80m-6m including the ARRL International DX
SSB Contest (Mar 5/6) and the WPX SSB Contest (Mar 26/27).
All QSLs via W5JON.

V5 - NAMIBIA
Klaus,V5/DJ4SO, will be QRV again in CW and also RTTY/PSK31 on
160m-10m from a farm southeast of Windhoek between Feb 22 and Mar 23.
QSL via bureau or direct to his homecall (via e-mail request to
klaus@dj4so.de). Another possibility to get a QSL is the LoTW.

V8 - BRUNEI, OC-088 / 9M8 - EAST MALAYSIA, OC-165
John,9M6XRO, and Steve,9M6DXX, will stay in Brunei (OC-088) from Feb 22
till Mar 2 signing V85/GD3OOK and V85/G4JVG or V85/9M6XRO and V85/9M8Z.
In between they will show up from Pulau Satang Besar (OC-165) from
Feb 25-28 signing 9M6XRO/8 (CW) and 9M8Z/p (SSB). They will work with
two stations including amplifiers, a Hexbeam and verticals on the beach
QSLs for all calls should be sent via bureau, direct or LoTW to M0URX.
QSLs can be requested via OQRS at http://www.m0urx.com/qsl-request-form

VK9/C - COCOS (KEELING) ISLANDS, OC-003
Phil,G3SWH, and Jim,G3RTE, are expected to show up as VK9C/G6AY from
Cocos (Keeling) Islands (OC-003) between Feb 22 and Mar 5. They will
work in "CW only" on 80m-10m with two stations.
QSL cards should be sent via bureau or direct to G3SWH.
On their website you can find more information and request bureau QSLs:
http://www.g3swh.org.uk/vk9c-g6ay.html

ZF - CAYMAN ISLANDS, NA-016
John,K6AM, is working as ZF2AM from the Cayman Islands (NA-016) between
mid and end February. He also plans to join the ARRL DX CW Contest and
the CQWW 160m SSB Contest (Feb 25-27). John prefers working on the
WARC bands before and after the contests.
QSL via bureau, direct or LoTW via K6AM.

5X - UGANDA
Nick,G3RWF, will return to Fort Portal in Western Uganda signing 5X1NH
from Feb 20 until Apr 14. Primarily Nick is working there but will
spend time for his hobby during his spare time. Nick prefers CW but
will work also in digital modes and some SSB on all bands except 160m.
QSL cards should be sent via bureau or LoTW to his homecall.

6W - SENEGAL
Dave,WJ2O/6W, will show up from Senegal only in CW on all HF bands
from Feb 17-22. He also plans to take part in the ARRL DX CW Contest.
Dave will focus on the WARC bands before and after the contest.
QSL via WJ2O. Logs will be available on: http://www.wj2o.com

9V - SINGAPORE
Marco,9V/DL4MN, is QRV in CW, SSB and RTTY until the end of February.
QSLs are preferred via bureau to his homecall.

ANTARCTICA
Mehdi,F5PFP, has left Ushuaia onboard a yacht on Feb 14 starting a
six week trip which will bring him to several island groups, islands
and territories. Stops have been planned on the Beagle Channel Islands,
the South Shetland Islands, West Graham Land, Palmer Islands,
Biscoe Islands, Adelaide Island, Marguerite Bay and on his way back
also on the Melchior Islands. Mehdi will use the callsigns FT5YK/p,
VP8DLM and CE9XX but still waits for a LU call.
Mehdi can be found in SSB on 40m mostly around 2200-0200 UTC and maybe
also on 20m a little earlier. His equipment includes an IC-706, FT-897,
an IC-2KL amplifier and quarterwave verticals for 20m and 40m.

CANARY ISLANDS, SPECIAL EVENT STATION
The special event station EG8ISS will be QRV from Feb 12 until Mar 11.
The license has been issued after the first radio contact of a school
class on the Canary Islands with the International Space Station (ISS).
All QSOs will be confirmed automatically even direct if you are listed
at QRZ.com. More information can be found at: http://www.isscontact.eu

SILENT KEYS: Following DXers passed away during the last weeks:
Fernand Leroy (F6BSF), Agostino Sereno (I1SEA), Dick Scarvaci (K9CAN),

Alessandro Sarru (IS0MYN), Norma Mendel (KC5DDO), Scott Wayland (N1HXC)
Matti Nummeli (VE3EEI, ex-OH2ZD) and John P. Burgio (W2JB).

DXCC: The QSL cards of 9X0SP (operation from Ruanda in 2010) are accepted
for DXCC credit now.

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Feb 18/19: Russian WW PSK Contest
Feb 19/20: ARRL International DX Contest, CW

IOTA collected by Fredy,DE0MST (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AF-086, D4, Cape Verde, Windward Islands: A group of HAMs will be QRV as
D44AC from Sao Vicente Island from Feb 16-22. They will sign D4C in the
ARRL DX CW Contest. The QSL route for D44AC can be found at QRZ.com.
QSLs for D4C via CT1ESV (bureau) or IZ4DPV (direct).

NA-002, VP5, Turks and Caicos Islands: Stan,VP5/AC8W, Jim,VP5/KB8TXZ, and
Lee,VP5/N8LJ, are working from Providenciales Island from Feb 15-23.
They will sign VQ5D in the upcoming ARRL DX CW Contest.
QSLs for VQ5D via AC8W, all other QSLs via homecalls (bureau/direct).

OC-046, FO, Windward Islands: Ted,FO/K8AQM, will activate Moorea Island
from Feb 20-25. Ted will work "holiday style" with 100 watts on 20m
and 30m. QSL via homecall (bureau/direct/LotW).

SA-055, LU, Buenos Aires Province Group: Ezequiel,LU1EEZ/D and Mark,LU7CAW/D
will show up from Martin Garcia Island from Feb 23-28.
QSLs for LU1EEZ direct (see QRZ.com) and for LU7CAW via bureau.

Lighthouse activities (WLOTA/ARLHS/ILLW)

D4C LH 1976 Sao Vicente Feb 19/20
D44AC LH 1976 Sao Vicente Feb 16-22
FO/K8AQM LH 0465 Moorea Feb 20
HH4/AF4Z LH 0343 Haiti Feb 18-Mar 5
HH4/K4QD LH 0343 Haiti Feb 18-Mar 5
HS0ZJF/8 LH new? Koh Yao Yai Feb 10-Mar 22
J88DR LH 0492 St. Vincent Feb 16-Mar 14
VK5MAV/5 LH 0869 Kangaroo Feb 15-21

Bandspots of the last 7 days

80m
S9DX 3.511 1930Z AF-023, via DL1RTL (B)

T70DXC 3.775 1624Z via IZ8IYX (B)

40m
FM4NB 7.135 0044Z (d)
MJ/PB0P 7.193 0928Z via PB0P
S9DX 7.063 0100Z RTTY, via DL1RTL (B)
T70DXC 7.122 0914Z via IZ8IYX (B)
7X4AN 7.006 2226Z (d)

30m
EA6NB 10.109 0730Z (B), (L)
EW4DW 10.122 1311Z
HG200LST 10.103 1651Z via HA5GY (B)
S9DX 10.137 0128Z RTTY, via DL1RTL (B)
T70DXC 10.103 1648Z via IZ8IYX (B)

20m
D44TBE 14.092 1501Z RTTY, via IK5CRH
EA1LQ/p 14.285 1238Z SOTA LU-015
EA2EA/p 14.061 1505Z SOTA-EA2/SS-023, (B)
EA2NN/p 14.052 1513Z SOTA BI-066
EV25D 14.086 1218Z RTTY
J28AA 14.009 1609Z via K2PF (B)
S9DX 14.080 1424Z RTTY, via DL1RTL (B)
SV3IEG/1/p 14.290 1412Z (B), SOTA AT-034
YI1RZ 14.290 1312Z via IK2DUW (L), eQSL

17m
S9DX 18.120 0955Z AF-023, via DL1RTL (B)
SV9/ON6WP 18.069 1237Z (d), (L)
TJ9PF 18.104 1650Z RTTY, via F5OGL (B)
TJ9PF 18.071 0848Z via F5OGL (B)
V55DLH 18.110 1608Z RTTY, via DK8ZZ (B)
V55DLH 18.150 0955Z via DK8ZZ (B)

15m
S9DX 21.024 1244Z AF-023, via DL1RTL (B)
S9DX 21.255 0945Z via DL1RTL (B)
S9DX 21.114 1228Z RTTY, via DL1RTL (B)
TJ9PF 21.024 0749Z via F5OGL (B)
TJ9PF 21.270 1140Z via F5OGL (B)
V55DLH 21.267 1413Z via DK8ZZ (B)
5H3/IK2GZU 21.278 1103Z via IK2GZU (B), (L)
5N5K 21.013 1555Z via LZ1CL (B)
9J2BO 21.003 1546Z via G3TEV

12m
V55DLH 24.975 1322Z via DK8ZZ (B)

10m
S9DX 28.011 1047Z via DL1RTL (B)

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-Mar 3D2HC 1710
-Dec 3Y8XSA 1700
-13Mar 4S7KKG 1706
-25Oct 5B50J 1700
08Feb-08Mar 5H/IK2GZU 1713
20Feb-14Apr 5X1NH 1715 *
-Apr/12 5Z4RH ? 1674

01Feb-31Mar 6W2SC/J5UAP 1712
05Feb-26Feb 6W/HA0NAR & J5 1713
05Feb-18Feb 8Q7AK 1713
-Sep 9J2KK 1682
26Jan-Feb 9K50 1712
-Apr 9M2MRS 1697
NOW 9M6/KM9D 1699
25Feb-28Feb 9M8XRO/8.. 1715 *
SOON 9Q1EK 1669
-Nov 9Q6CC 1699
-Feb 9V1/DL4MN 1715 *

-Aug A92IO 1663
21Feb-27Feb AO1AAW 1715 *
-31Dec BP100 1684
-31Dec BV100 1684
07Feb-17Feb C6ABB 1713
15Feb-21Feb C6AKQ.. 1715 *
Feb CJ1 & CK1 1713
-01May CN2PV 1714
-31Dec CW5RV 1711

-May D2AK 1675
-17Mar D2AM 1710
-22Apr D2QR 1675
-Feb D2SG 1692
16Feb-22Feb D4C & D44AC 1715 *
-31Aug DL20Y2DM 1700
20Jan-08Mar EA8/IK1PMR.. 1712
13Feb-26Feb EA8/LA5EAA 1714
12Feb-11Mar EG8ISS 1715 *
-Aug FO8RZ 1636
20Feb-25Feb FO/K8AQM 1715 *
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-Jul/12 FR8NE 1710
-Mar FT5YK/p.. 1715 *

13Jan-12Apr H44MS 1710
-31Dec HB60LU 1711
23Feb-12Mar HC1MD 1715 *
Feb HE3OM 1714
01Jan-31Dec HG200LST 1708
-30Jun HG2011A 1713
18Feb-05Mar HH4/K4QD.. 1715 *
26Jan-27Feb HI0RCD 1712
06Feb-18Feb HI/HB9OAU 1713
10Jan-07Mar HK3JCL 1709
06Feb-17Feb HP1/DL2BP.. 1714
11Feb-20Feb HS0ZJF/9 1711

01Jan-31Dec IA7MM 1708
01Jan-31Dec II1ITA.. 1708
21Feb-27Feb IO5ANT 1715 *
01Jan-31Mar IO7DAI 1708
-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul/12 J28RO 1683
09Feb-10Mar J37BO & J37RO 1714
09Feb-10Mar J37RF 1714
05Feb-17Feb J6/DF2SS.. 1713
21Feb-28Mar J73CCM.. 1715 *
16Feb-14Mar J88DR 1715 *
04Feb-18Feb JW8HGA.. 1713
20Feb-25Feb JW8XRA.. 1715 *

-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
POSTPONED KH5 1674/1705
09Feb-16Feb KH0/G3ZEM 1713
18Feb-22Feb KH0/JM2RUV 1715 *
-31Dec LA200D 1713
-31Mar LM11SKI 1713
23Feb-28Feb LU1EEZ/D.. 1715 *
NOW LU1ZA (S.O.) 1695
-20Feb OA4/DL1NL 1713
-Mar OA/OE3NHW 1701
10Nov-24Feb OR4TN 1700

-Sep P29CW 1713
01Jan-31Dec PA30.. 1708
-Mar PJ2/DF7DQ 1712
11Feb-16Feb PJ2/EA1PP.. 1713
27Jan-03Mar PJ6/G4IUF 1712
23Feb-27Feb PJ7&FS/VA3QSL 1715 *
Jan PS150PLM 1708
15Feb-22Feb PZ5P 1714

-Dec RI1ANC 1708
04Feb-17Feb S9DX 1713
NOW T30HC 1713
08Feb-22Feb T30 (N7OU..) 1713
2010 -May T6JC & T6TL 1695
15Feb-17Mar TG7/N6ND 1715 *
10Feb-20Feb TJ9PF 1714
14Feb-24Feb TT8DX 1714
12Feb-28Feb TM8AAW 1714

16Feb-23Feb V31RR 1715 *
09Feb-01Mar V31TF 1714
-Feb V31YN & V31GW 1710
16Feb-30Mar V47JA.. 1715 *
12Feb-24Feb V4/W1USN 1714
22Feb-23Mar V5/DJ4SO 1715 *
22Feb&02Mar V85/GD3OOK.. 1715 *
2010 -Mar/12 VK0KEV (Macq) 1700/1701
15Feb-22Feb W0S (KH0) 1714
-03Mar WA2USA/4 1714
17Feb-22Feb WJ2O/6W 1715 *

15Feb-21Feb VK5MAV/5 1714
22Feb-05Mar VK9C/G6AY 1715 *
15Feb-23Feb VP5/AC8W.. 1715 *
26Jan-02Mar VY0JA 1712
NOW XT2RJA 1712
23Feb-08Mar XU7AFU 1711
-Sep ZD9GI 1691
-Feb ZF2AM 1715 *
-31Dec ZL50GH 1711
01Jan-31Mar ZL50VK 1708
11Apr ZS8M 1674/1711

* new or updated
.. and other calls

QSL information

A71/JY5FX via JY5FX
BG4WEN via BA4EG (B)
DA0DD via DG0DCL (B)
EM15U via UT7UA (B)
EV25G via EW8OG (B)
FR/F8APV via F8APV
HA40KKC via HA5MA (B), (L)
HP1XX via DJ0LZ (d)
II7ITA via IQ7DV (B)
IP1NAVY via IZ1HKE
IR3WFF via IW3ILM (B)
J37BO via K4LTA (B)
J6/DF2SS via DL8LR

J6/DL1VKE via DL8LR
JW8AJA via LA9VDA (B)
KH0/G3ZEM via M0URX (B)
KH6/AA4V via AA4V (B)
LM11SKI via LA4O (B, only)
LP2F via LU1FDU (L), (d)
LZ170MDS via LZ bureau
MJ/PB0P via PB0P
OD5ET via EB7DX (d)
OK/DH7WW/p via DH7WW (B)
OP2A via ON5CD (B)
P29CW via VK2IR (d)
P49X via W0YK (L), (d)
PI35EDE via PI4EDE
PJ6/G4IUF via G4IUF (B)
PJ6/N4HH via N4NX (d)
PP5BB via PP5VB (d)
PR150PLM via PR7AYE (B)
PR5S via PR7JP (L)
PS150PLM via PS7AB (B)
PT2ZXR via DJ0XR (B)
PY2VA via I8LWL (B)
PY4ZUN via LX1NJ (B)
R20RCK via RW0UM
R3/DL5EBE via DL5EBE (B)
R4YWI via RK4YYY
R0CY (d), eQSL
RG9A via R9XC (B)
RI1ANR via RK1PWA (B) or ZS1ANF
RO1B (B) or RV1CC (d), (L)
RO2D via RK3FWI
RV0AMH via RU4WA
S520SLO via S57U (B), (L), eQSL
SC7IPA via SM7GUY (B)
SN19WOSP via SQ8JCB (B)
SN25KVZ via SP9KVZ
SN3B via SQ3JPV (B)
SN400JH via SP2KDS (B)
SN51CCB via SP7CCB (B), (L)
SN51DOS via SP7PSQ (B)
SN51EQB via SQ7EQB (B)
SQ0WOSP via SP7YLD (B)
ST2BSS via ST2M (d)
SV8/DL8MCA via DL8MCA (B)
SV8/LZ1SMX via LZ1SMX
SV9IOI (d)
SV9/ON6WP via ON6WP only (L) or eQSL
T33/EA3NT via EA3NT (B)
T33/IZ2IPF via IZ2IPF (B)
T70A via I4ZQS (B)

T70DXC via IZ8IYX (B)
T77/PP5BB via PP5VB (d)
T88AQ via JH6WDG (B)
T88ME via 7N1RTO (B)
TA4/DL6RO via DL6RO (B)
TA7/WK1S via JA1PBV (B)
TB2NEY (d)
UN2011G via UN8GC (B)
UN6GAV/7 via UN6GAV (B)
UN8GV via RD3AY (d)
UP2011AS via UN8GU (B)
UP2011AWG via UP7Z
UP2011BN via UN7QCC (B)
UP2011IH via UN2G
UP2011SJ via UN6QC (d)
UP2011SO via UN8GC (B)
V73/K3NT via K3NT
VE7/F5IDM via KH6 bureau
VK0KEV via JE1LET (d)
VK4SY/KP2 via EB7DX (d)
VK7FLI via VK7AN
VP8ORK via VE3XN (B), (L)
VP9/OH3JR via OH3JR (B)
YN3M via W0MM (B)
Z38/IZ4JMA via IZ4JMA
6W/HA0NAR via HA0NAR
9K50VO via 9K2VO (d)

(d) Only direct
(B) Bureau ok
(*) New QSL manager
(L) Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) E-mail request

QSLs arrived direct: A25SL (W5SL), BU2AQ, CO8LY (EA7ADH, letter from Cuba),
D44AC, E4X (EA5RM), PJ2T (N9AG), PJ4X (W1MD),
PJ6A (N4NX), TI5N & V8AQM (W3HNK), V51AS,
1A0KM (IK0FTA, quick), 5W0JT & JT1JA (JT1CO)

8th ANTARCTIC ACTIVITY WEEK (AAW)

The 8th Antarctic Activity Week (AAW) will take place from Feb 21-27, 2011.
Several special event stations will be activated and this is a good chance
to collect WAP reference numbers for the Worldwide Antarctic Program (WAP).
For more information check the website: http://www.waponline.it
One special event station will be AO1AAW from Spain operated by Jose,EA1CUB,
Juanjo,EA1WX, Javier,EC1KV, Daniel,EB1LA, Juan,EA1AUM, and Jose,EA1CS. They
are QRV on all bands from 160m-10m handing out the reference number WAP-023.
QSL cards should be sent to EA1GHT, via bureau, direct or via LoTW.
Another special event station will be IO5ANT from Italy (WAP-210).
The station is situated in the "Museo Nazionale Dell Antartide" in Siena.

QSL cards should be sent to IW5EFX, via bureau, direct or via LoTW.

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-16 11:16:24 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20110216101306.EBBB42085B@bmail.arrl.org>
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NEW HF OPERATORS - THINGS TO DO

The ARRL DX Contest <http://www.arrl.org/arrl-dx> - in which all the DX
stations vie for contacts with US and Canadian stations - is a great
opportunity for Little Pistol stations to fill their logbooks (as well
as their QSL bureau envelopes and LOTW accounts) with DX QSOs from
around the world. The contest has new categories for Low Power
operation, too. This weekend features CW followed by Phone two weeks
later!

BULLETINS

Sunspot 1158 is firing off all sorts of flares - the strongest in four
years - and causing disruptions to the geomagnetic field as this issue
is being readied for distribution (Tuesday morning). Depending on how
active it remains over the next couple of days there may be significant
impact to HF propagation for the ARRL DX CW Contest this weekend. Watch
Spaceweather.com <http://spaceweather.com/> for the latest solar news!

BUSTED QSOS

None reported from last week's issue!

CONTEST SUMMARY
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Complete information for all contests follows the Conversation section

Feb 19-20

- ARRL International CW DX Contest
- Semi-Automatic Key Evening (Feb 16)
- Russian WW PSK Contest (Feb 18)
- Feld-Hell Annual WAS Sprint
- AM QSO Party
- FM Simplex Contest
- CQ WW 160 Meter SSB
- Pennsylvania FM Sprint

Feb 26-27

- REF Contest
- UBA Contest CW
- Mississippi QSO Party
- North American QSO Party--Digital
- North Carolina QSO Party
- CQC Winter QSO Party (Feb 28)

==> NEWS, PRESS RELEASES, AND GENERAL INTEREST

CQ WPX Director, Randy K5ZD, continues innovating like that giant sunspot firing off solar flares. "I am pleased to announce a new tool <http://www.cqwpx.com/logcheck/> to help everyone format their logs correctly for the WPX Contest. The Cabrillo Log Check page will check the format of your Cabrillo log file for any mode of the CQ WPX Contest. Use this to check your log before submitting it to the robot." The new page by Tzetzo LZ2FQ supports CQ WPX RTTY, SSB, and CW in Cabrillo 2 or 3 formats.

More innovation in contest administration comes from the Russian DX Contest Committee as they tighten up the requirements for winning logs with new rules <http://www.rdxc.org/asp/pages/rulesg.asp>. Competitive logs will now be required to specify frequencies with a 1-kHz resolution and to be submitted within 36 hours. The intent is to crack down on post-contest log editing and during-the-contest spotting information poaching. (Thanks, Harry RA3AUU)

Ham radio was a key element of the February 2011 Scientific American article, "Citizen Satellites on CubeSats <http://Scientificamerican.com/feb2011/cubesats>". The story covers satellite standardization of design and internal structure and how it has enabled a CubeSat <http://www.cubesat.org/> "community", likened to a cottage industry of universities and organizations that can now launch their own satellite for less than $100,000.

So why does ham radio still have such a devoted following in the face of modern telecommunication wizardry? This article on the Wired web site <http://www.wired.com/epicenter/2011/02/ham-radio-tweets> by David Rowan offers some opinions. As the author says, "You can tweet all you like, but this is the way to communicate." (Thanks, Jim W4JTP and Brad

W1NT)

An article reviewing CQ WW 160 Meter CW by the YE1C team <http://ye1c.wordpress.com/2011/02/08/review-of-cq-160-cw-2011/> may be of interest to those who want to know how the noise and static crashes affect Top Band operation in Indonesia. "For the first time ever in Indonesia, we installed nine RX antennas but due to poor propagation on 160 meters, the QSO totals are lower than in 2010." (Thanks, Jo YC0LOW)

Speaking of Top Band, reservations and tickets are now available for the 22nd Annual Dayton Top Band Dinner <http://topbanddinner.com/> to be held on Friday, May 20 at the Crowne Plaza in downtown Dayton, Ohio. (Thanks, Tim K3LR)

Since the Universe now seems to be more than 250 times bigger than observable <http://www.technologyreview.com/blog/arxiv/26333/>, hams everywhere know the answer - we need bigger antennas!

Bob N6TV made a good suggestion - the simplicity of Morse code might be a way to communicate with someone who is incapable of speaking due to a stroke or other injury. Does your family know about code readers and other means of engaging via CW? If you can wiggle your fingers, the message might be able to get through!

How much does it cost to mail something? You can find out by using the online USPS postage calculator <http://www.usps.com/tools/calculatepostage/>. It might take a while to lick enough stamps to mail that Collins 75A4 receiver, though.

We have a celebration coming up - Leo Meyerson, W0GFQ, turns 100 years old on February 24th. Leo was the founder of World Radio Labs in Council Bluff, Iowa, and his WRL Globe and Galaxy lines of radios put a lot of hams on the air from the 1950's through the 1970's. (Thanks, Phil K3UA)

Web Site of the Week - In the latest IARU e-letter <http://www.iaru.org/e-letter/>, ARRL ex-president Rod W6ROD presents an in-depth look at the International Telecommunications Union (ITU), the international regulatory body that oversees the radio spectrum. It makes for informative reading and W6ROD promises more articles about international licensing and allocations in future issues.

WORD TO THE WISE

"Temporary" adj. - used by a ham radio operator in obtaining permission to erect antennas and meaning "until I die".

==> SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

It was a little crowded in the UK early on Sunday morning during the CQ WW 160 Meter contest as this visual display from Ian G3NRW's SDR <http://homepage.ntlworld.com/wadei/110130_top_band.jpg> attests.

The Minnesota QSO Party proved to be a great training ground for Sarah W0MSW using her school's club call sign <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=L7rBtYQjWT8> under the watchful video camera of her dad, Scott K0MD. Sarah's two sisters are also licensed and the younger brother getting into the act in the background will soon be clamoring for rig time, as well. State QSO parties are great introductions to radiosport!

Dan K1TO recalls climbing a 600-foot tower in Vienna, Austria during his European trip to WRTC-2000 from which he could see HA, OE, OK, OM, and 4U1VIC. Where else could you see a similar sight? The Wikipedia pages on country borders <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_sets_of_four_countries_that_border_one_another> give some clues. Surprisingly, there are no "Four Corners <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Quadripoint>" in the world of international borders.

Not exactly radio, but definitely one of the better homebuilt accomplishments <http://www.wimp.com/kineticsculpture/> you will ever see. (Thanks, Kirk K4RO)

==> RESULTS AND RECORDS

Don't forget the new categories in the ARRL DX Contest <http://www.arrl.org/arrl-dx> - Multioperator, Single Transmitter and Single-Operator, Assisted now have High and Low Power divisions. Delivered by contest writeup author Bruce W9FZ, results for the 2010 ARRL 10 GHz and Up Cumulative contest are now online <http://www.arrl.org/contest-results-articles>. Watch for K9LA's writeup for the 2010 IARU HF Championship contest before long. (Thanks, ARRL Contest Branch Manager, Sean KX9X)

AA5B and KK6MC are sponsoring a major award for the top multioperator entry in the Spring QRP-ARCI QSO Party <http://qrparci.org>. "The multioperator category is a great one in many ways and it is a shame that many QRP contests do not offer this option and that more QRP operators do not pursue this category when available in a contest. By offering a major award to the winners of the multioperator category, we are hoping to encourage more participation in the multioperator category, and perhaps to encourage more contest organizers to include a multioperator category." (Thanks, James KK6MC)

OPERATING TIP

Pre-de-caffeinate yourself during the week before a major contest so that when you really need that coffee kick late in the game you aren't fighting your normal tolerance. Soak up the sleep now and save the stimulation for after you've exhausted your regular resources.

==> TECHNICAL TOPICS AND INFORMATION

The term "G5RV antenna" is applied to lots of antennas that would be hard for G5RV to recognize as his creation. If you want "the original Greek", G5RV's original article <http://www.k6mhe.com/n7ws/G5RV.PDF>

from 1958 is available online. (Thanks, Bill K4CIA)

Glenn KD0Q is a big fan of the Safety LifeLine <http://www.anwireless.com/lifeline.html> for climbing his AN Wireless free-standing tower. "The sleeve that attaches to the cable also attaches directly to the front of my harness - I use no lanyard. The sleeve slides right along the cable with me as I climb. It really reduces the time it takes to climb the tower compared to hooking and unhooking two lanyards. I feel much safer as the hooking and unhooking is eliminated and there is little slack to take up if something happens."

If you want a reliable, rugged footswitch, follow the lead of the tattoo artist whose customers would not care at all for incomplete body art. Ron WW8RR - who is not a tattoo artist - recommends the Linemaster Gem switches <http://www.linemaster.com/Industrial/Footswitch.aspx?catNo=GemVandGemVK>. "These are round, heavy duty, weighted, non-skid, virtually indestructible foot switches. Since they are round it doesn't matter which angle your foot hits the switch, it activates. The internal design does not use any micro switch, but instead has three compression springs, heavy brass rings, and steel plate. It is as robust as it gets. There is really nothing in the design to wear out or fatigue."

Homebuilders and repair techs are finding that PCB-mounted pots and controls are more likely to have 6-mm diameter shafts that won't securely hold a knob designed for a 0.25-inch shaft. Ken WA4MNT shows how to add a plastic sleeve over the shaft <http://www.qrpbuilder.com/downloads/6mm_sleeve.pdf> to solve the problem. Use the next smaller size from 3/16" and slit it to fit - don't heat it up. Graham VE3GTC notes that some brass shim of 0.005-006" thickness will also do the job.

The CalculatorEdge <http://www.calculatoredge.com/> is another great web page with tons of engineering calculators for just about any kind of technical problem. (Thanks, Russ KD0EIA)

KL7RA asked if the Data Shark coax trimming tool mentioned in the previous issue might nick the inner conductor of RG-213, so I asked N4ZR about it. "I made the original statement based on the diameters of the outer jackets, but wondered about the inner conductor myself, so I tried it. To my pleased surprise, even with no skill involved, it did not touch the inner conductor. In the event of slight variations in RG-213, perhaps a caution would be in order - you'll hear the blade cut the braid, then silence while it goes through the dielectric. If you don't hear it at the end, then it hasn't hit the inner conductor. If it has, back out, try again, and stop a little short of the point where it starts to sound off. Not much skill required."

When using steel conduit for running coax cables, Roger K8RI points out, "Carefully de-burr the ends of the conduit as a tiny burr can peel the jacket right off a piece of coax. Leave no rough edges that can

contact the coax." Ends of conduit need to be fully seated into couplers and fittings, too. "If not fully seated [the edge] will form a squared-off edge of 1/4 to nearly 3/8"" on which cables can catch. If need be, bevel the inside of the male end to a 60-degree angle so there is no lip." Roger also recommends the use of two 45-degree "sweeps" to make a 90-degree turn as they put a lot less stress on the cable when pulling it through. And use lots of inexpensive wire soap, too!

For someone with a few years of antenna work ahead of them and an interest in welding, check out your local school system's nighttime adult education classes. (Thanks, Gene W2LU)

Pat KC0ZIW recommends an outstanding tool for finding the correct beam heading and distance <http://www.njdxa.org/dx-tools/beam-headings.php> for DX countries that's also a good prefix reference. Just follow the instructions on the web page.

Technical Web Site of the Week - For information on how to use HFTA by Dean N6BV and what it can do for your station take a look at the Yankee Clipper Contest Club's website <http://www.yccc.org/Articles/index.htm> for presentations by Dean. You can also find webinars on HFTA and other resources on the Potomac Valley Radio Club <http://www.pvrc.org/> and Northern California Contest Club <http://nccc.cc/> websites as well. (Thanks, Jim K7WA)

==> CONVERSATION

Sailin' Cross the Sea Lanes

The VP8ORK team has returned to continental land, having successfully crossed the rough seas of the Drake Passage after 60,000+ QSOs from the South Orkneys. With the team including many call signs very familiar in the world of radiosport, I thought a song might be appropriate with a nod to Rich KL7RA for providing the initial seed of inspiration. Thanks for the strong work, fellows!

73, Ward N0AX

Sailin' Cross the Sea Lanes
Pirated from Peter, Paul, and Mary's "Leavin' On a Jet Plane"
by Captain Beldarrrgh

My Pelican's packed, I'm ready to go
Standing here on this foreign shore
I think that must be salt spray in my eyes

But the dawn is breakin', it's early morn
The Braveheart's waitin', they're blowin' the horn
Already I'm so seasick I could die

So work me and spot for me
Tell me that you'll tune for me
Call me with your final tubes aglow
'Cause I'm sailin' cross the sea lanes

I'm all too sure that I'll get wet again
Oh, man, I love radio

There's so many times I've worn you down
With small antennas near the ground
I'll tell you now, they can't hear a thing

Every place I go, I listen for you
Every Q I make, I hope it's you
When I come back the logbooks I will bring

So work me and spot for me
Tell me that you'll tune for me
Call me with your final tubes aglow
'Cause I'm sailin' cross the sea lanes
I'm all too sure that I'll get wet again
Oh, man, I love radio

Now the time has come to leave, to
Don my patch and find a close loo
Hoist the anchor, we'll be under way

Dream of dinner talks to come
Entertaining everyone
Until the time when I'll no longer say...

So work me and spot for me
Tell me that you'll tune for me
Call me with your final tubes aglow
'Cause I'm sailin' cross the sea lanes
I'm all too sure that I'll get wet again
Oh, man, I love radio
I really must love radio
I really, really, really love radio...

==> CONTESTS

16 February through 1 March

An expanded, downloadable version of QST's Contest Corral in PDF format
<http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar> is available. Check the
sponsor's Web site for information on operating time restrictions and
other instructions.

HF CONTESTS

Semi-Automatic Key Evening--CW, from Feb 16, 1900Z to Feb 16, 2030Z.
Bands (MHz): 3.5. Exchange: RST, serial, first year of bug use. Logs
due: Mar 15. Rules <http://www.agcw.org/>

Russian WW PSK Contest--Digital, from Feb 18, 2100Z to Feb 19, 2100Z.
Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RST and oblast code or serial. Logs due:
15 days. Rules <http://www.qrz.ru/contest/detail/384.html>

ARRL Int'l CW DX Contest--CW, from Feb 19, 0000Z to Feb 20, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RST, state/province or power. Logs due: Mar 21. Rules <http://www.arrl.org/contests/soapbox>

Feld-Hell Annual WAS Sprint--Digital, from Feb 19, 2000Z to Feb 19, 2200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Frequencies: Monthly on 3rd Saturday. Exchange: RST, QTH, Feld-Hell number. Rules <http://www.feldhellclub.org/>

AM QSO Party--Phone, from Feb 19, 2300Z to Feb 20, 2300Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Exchange: RS, name, and S/P/C. Logs due: 4 weeks. Rules <http://www.antiquewireless.org/>

CQ WW 160 Meter SSB--Phone, from Feb 25, 2200Z to Feb 27, 2200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8. Exchange: RST and state/province or CQ zone. Logs due: Mar 31. Rules <http://www.cq160.com/>

REF Contest--Phone,CW, from Feb 26, 0600Z to Feb 27, 1800Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RS and French dept or serial. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.ref-union.org/concours>

UBA Contest--CW, from Feb 26, 1300Z to Feb 27, 1300Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RS, serial, and ON province. Logs due: 2 weeks. Rules <http://www.uba.be/en/hf/contest-rules>

Mississippi QSO Party--Phone,CW, from Feb 26, 1500Z to Feb 27, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28, 50-432, Frequencies: CW 3.545,7.045,14.045,21.045, 28.045;Phone 3.857-862-867,7.238,14.275,21.375,28.375;VHF 50.13,144.22,146.55,446. Exchange: RS(T) and MS county or S/P/C. Logs due: Mar 31. Rules <http://www.arrlmiss.org/>

North American QSO Party--Digital, from Feb 26, 1800Z to Feb 27, 0600Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: Name and S/P/C. Logs due: 14 days. Rules <http://www.ncjweb.com/>

North Carolina QSO Party--Phone,CW, from Feb 27, 1700Z to Feb 28, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Frequencies: CW 3.54,3.74,7.04,7.14,14.04,21.04,21.14,28.04,28.14, Phone 3.86,7.26,14.26,21.36,28.36. Exchange: RS(T) and NC county or S/P/C. Logs due: Apr 1. Rules <http://www.w4nc.com/>

CQC Winter QSO Party--Phone,CW, from Feb 28, 0100Z to Feb 28, 0259Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Frequencies: 3.560, 7.040, 14.060. Exchange: RS(T), S/P/C, name, CQC nr or power. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.cqc.org/>

YL CW Party--CW, from Mar 1, 1900Z to Mar 1, 2100Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5. Exchange: RST, serial, if YL "YL," name. Logs due: Mar 31. Rules <http://www.agcw.org/>

VHF+ CONTESTS

FM Simplex Contest--Phone, from Feb 20, 1900Z to Feb 20, 2130Z. Bands (MHz): 50-440. Exchange: Call sign and grid square. Logs due: Mar 20. Rules <http://www.w9rh.org/>

Pennsylvania FM Sprint--Phone, from Feb 26, 7 PM to Feb 26, 11 PM.
Bands (MHz): 50-440. Exchange: Call sign, serial, and 5-digit Zip code.
Logs due: Mar 18. Rules <http://www.harcnet.org/>

Mississippi QSO Party--Phone,CW, from Feb 26, 1500Z to Feb 27, 0300Z.
Bands (MHz): 3.5-28, 50-432, Frequencies: CW 3.545,7.045,14.045,21.045,
28.045;Phone 3.857-862-867,7.238,14.275,21.375,28.375;VHF
50.13,144.22,146.55,446. Exchange: RS(T) and MS county or S/P/C. Logs
due: Mar 31. Rules <http://www.arrlmiss.org/>

==> LOG DUE DATES

16 February through 1 March

February 18 - SKCC Weekend Sprint
<http://www.skccgroup.com/sprint/wes/>

February 19 - Asia-Pacific Spring Sprint, CW
<http://jsfc.org/apsprint/aprule.txt>

February 19 - WAB 1.8 MHz Phone
<http://wab.intermip.net/Contest%20Rules.php#OtherRules>

February 19 - North American Sprint, SSB
<http://www.ncjweb.com/sprintrules.php>

February 20 - SARL Field Day Contest
<http://www.sarl.org.za/public/contests/SARL_2011_Contest%20Manual_issue_9.pdf>

February 21 - 10-10 Int. Winter Contest, SSB
<http://www.ten-ten.org/Forms/QSOPartyRulesRevised.pdf>

February 23 - ARRL January VHF Sweepstakes
<http://www.arrl.org/january-vhf-sweepstakes>

February 28 - CQ 160-Meter Contest, CW
<http://cq-amateur-radio.com/cq_contests/cq_ww_160_meter_contest/cq_ww_160_meter_contest_rules/2011_cq_ww_160_meter_contest_rules.pdf>

February 28 - SPAR Winter Field Day
<http://www.spar-hams.org/contests/winterfd/index.php?pg=2>

February 28 - Hunting Lions in the Air Contest
<http://lionshuntingintheair.lionwap.org/>

February 28 - AGCW Straight Key Party
<http://www.agcw.org/en/?Contests:Straight_Key_Party>

February 28 - RSGB 1st 1.8 MHz Contest
<http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2011/r1st-160m-2011.shtml>

March 1 - BARTG RTTY Sprint
<http://www.bartg.org.uk/documents/Contests/Sprint/BARTG%20Sprint%20Contest%20rules%202011.pdf>

March 1 - AWA Linc Cundall Memorial CW Contest
<http://www.antiquewireless.org/pdf/AWA_2011_Linc_Schedule_Rev2.pdf>

March 1 - REF Contest, CW
<http://concours.ref-union.org/reglements/actuels/reg_cdfhfdx.pdf>

March 1 - CQ WW RTTY WPX Contest <http://www.cqwpxrtty.com/rules.htm>

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==> THE VIEW FROM THE WORLD

IARU, ITU, and Emergency Communication

If you were to ask most Amateur Radio operators what entity is
responsible for granting privileges to use portions of the radio
spectrum the answer would likely be their own national
telecommunication authority. Here in the US, that would be the FCC, of
course. However, that's only partially true. The ultimate authority for
the use of the radio spectrum is the International Telecommunication
Union <http://www.itu.int/en/pages/default.aspx> (ITU). Every radio
amateur should understand what the ITU is and why its work and
decisions are important.

There are three sectors in the ITU: Radio-communication (ITU-R),
Development (ITU-D) and Standardization (ITU-T). The International
Amateur Radio Union <http://www.iaru.org/> (IARU) is a Sector Member of
both the ITU-R Sector and the ITU-D Sector. The IARU participates in
both sectors by attending meetings that involve issues that may impact
the amateur or the amateur-satellite services.

The ITU-R Sector is important for radiocommunication services,
including the amateur and amateur-satellite services. Every four or
five years the ITU holds a World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC) to
revise the international Radio Regulations.

ITU-D is where much of the ITU's work on disaster response takes place.
The development arm of the ITU considers emergency telecommunications
an integral part of its projects integrating
telecommunications/information and communication technology in disaster
predication, detection, and alerting. Emergency telecommunications play
a critical role in the immediate aftermath of disasters by ensuring
timely flow of vital information, which is much needed by government
agencies and other humanitarian actors that are involved in rescue
operations and providing medical assistance to the injured. IARU's task
in the ITU-D Sector is to ensure that Amateur Radio's role in disaster
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communications is understood and appreciated by the ITU members. The ITU-D Sector also conducts a worldwide conference.

The ITU also sponsors regional and global exhibitions called TELECOMS. An ITU Telecom offers a global Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) community platform that gathers stakeholders from across the telecommunications/ICT sector to connect, collaborate and create the future ICT landscape. Forums and seminars are conducted at the Telecoms and IARU has participated in such forums, usually on topics related to emergency communications. - IARU E-Letter, January 2011 issue, International Amateur Radio Union (IARU <http://www.iaru.org/>) Secretary Rod Stafford, W6ROD [Here <http://www.itu.int/emergencytelecoms/index.html> is a good site for information on ITU activities relating to disaster response, mitigation, and the Tampere Convention - K1CE]

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==> ARRL SETS EMCOMM INTERESTS IN LEGISLATIVE GOALS

The ARRL Board of Directors held its 2011 Annual Meeting January 21-22, 2011 in Windsor, Connecticut, under the chairmanship of President Kay Craigie, N3KN, a former Section Emergency Coordinator of the ARRL Eastern Pennsylvania section. The Board discussed its legislative program in the 111th Congress and plans for the 112th, particularly the reintroduction of the Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Enhancement Act <http://www.govtrack.us/congress/bill.xpd?bill=h112-81> into the House of Representatives and the expected similar Senate bill. The Board voted to adopt seven legislative objectives for the 112th Congress that affects us as ARES&#65533; members and emergency communicators,

and Amateur Radio as a whole:

- Expansion of the "reasonable accommodation" of Amateur Radio antennas
to all forms of land use regulation;
- Opposition to the reallocation of amateur spectrum;
- Opposition to legislation that diminishes the rights of federal
licensees in favor of unlicensed emitters;
- Seeking recognition of the unique attributes of the Amateur Radio
Service in any legislation addressing communications in emergencies,
disasters and homeland security matters;
- Supporting the legislative objectives of other radiocommunication
services that require spectrum access and protection from interference
for noncommercial purposes that benefit the public;
- Opposition to distracted driving legislation that does not exempt
two-way mobile transmitters operated by FCC licensees, and
- Supporting The FCC Commissioners' Technical Resource Enhancement Act.

More on the ARRL Board meeting here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-board-sets-legislative-agenda-at-2011-annual-meeting>.

==> NEW MONTHLY ARES/EMCOMM SURVEY

Starting in February we will have a monthly survey question related to
ARES and EmComm similar to the Quick Stats found in QST and on the ARRL
website. To access the poll click here
<http://www.arrl.org/ares-monthly-poll>. The February survey will be
available until the 28th and results will be published in next month's
ARES E-Letter. We ask that you only submit your answer once.

Do you have an idea for a survey question? Submit your idea to
emergency@arrl.org

==> EMERGENCY MESSAGING WEBINAR FEBRUARY 26

ARRL Atlantic Division Director Bill Edgar, N3LLR, will host a webinar
for ARRL members on using Narrow Band Emergency Messaging Software
(NBEMS) -- a set of programs used to send messages and files via
Amateur Radio using an audio interface. On Saturday, February 26 at 10
AM (EST), NBEMS developers Dave Kleber, KB3FXI, and Western
Pennsylvania Assistant Section Emergency Coordinator Harry Bloomberg,
W3YJ, will present a two hour webinar that covers NBEMS's advanced
features. Learn about the use of NBEMS FLWRAP
<http://www.w1hkj.com/Flwrap/index.html> and FLMSG
<http://www.w1hkj.com/flmsg-help/index.html> to send and receive spread
sheet/database data and form-based messages such as the ICS-213 and
NTS/Radiogram forms. Bloomberg and Kleber will also be covering HF
digital net procedures and protocols and hope to incorporate a live HF
demonstration that will be viewable by all those attending the webinar.
Register for this webinar here
<https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/497568192>. -- ARRL Letter

==> URBAN SEARCH FOR CERT AND ARES&#65533;

Amateur Radio operators and CERT members can help save lives by learning how to search for missing children and at-risk adults during a one-day training event to be held Saturday, March 19, in Stockton, California.

The "Urban Search for CERT and ARES" workshop will kickoff creation of a new rapid-response program using Amateur Radio operators and Community Emergency Response Team <https://www.citizencorps.gov/cert/> members as searchers. Volunteers attending the class will become the program's first members.

Taught by leaders of the Alameda County Sheriff's Search and Rescue Team, the class will give volunteers the basic skills necessary to safely look for missing kids and at-risk adults in the urban or suburban environment.

The event will be held at the San Joaquin County Agricultural Center, 2105 E. Earhart Ave., Stockton, California, adjacent to the Stockton airport. The event runs from 8 AM until 4 PM. It is sponsored by the Amateur Radio Emergency Service of San Joaquin County <http://sjham.com/sjares/>. The workshop is open to anyone interested; however, seating is limited and priority will be given to current ARES and CERT members. You need not be a San Joaquin County resident to attend. There is no fee for the class, although donations will be accepted to support the event and search program.

The workshop marks the second anniversary of the search for Sandra Cantu, an 8-year-old Tracy girl who was abducted near her home on March 27, 2009. Her body was discovered just over a week later. The organizers and instructors were involved in the search for Sandra. While later investigation found the child was likely deceased even before she was noticed to be missing, San Joaquin ARES hopes this program will make a difference in the lives of children in the future.

Elders with dementia or other cognitive disorders are a second focus of the program. Statistics show that many of these patients will wander from facilities and caregivers. If not found quickly, a significant number will eventually be discovered deceased.

The goal of the program is to, in cooperation with law enforcement, get 10 two-searcher teams on-scene within one hour of notification. Such a response would dramatically increase the resources available to search for the missing person. For additional information, please contact David Coursey, N5FDL <n5fdl@arrl.net>, ARES Emergency Coordinator, San Joaquin County, California

==> ARE YOU TRAINING FOLLOWERS OR LEADERS?

Here's something that I've known for a while but recently jumped out at me: Am I training leaders or followers?

Our group has become involved in a project -- setting up and managing portable emergency vaccination clinics -- that is supposed to require

between 40 and 75 volunteers per shift per site. With four sites, that's potentially 300 volunteers per shift or 1,200 per day!

Obviously, we don't have enough volunteers to staff this ourselves. At best we could run one clinic all by ourselves for two shifts-a-day. And that's if we brought lots of friends to help!

Nevertheless, when the time comes (I am no longer thinking "if" in terms of public health emergencies), I am betting we will have all the volunteers we need. They will come, if not out of the woodwork, out of churches, schools, and other volunteer sources.

But these volunteers will all have one thing in common: No training.

That means the volunteers we train in advance, such as ARES®/ACS/CERT members, will need to train and then manage the convergent volunteers that appear when we need their help.

That subtly changes how we train our own people. Our folks need to know not just how to set-up an emergency clinic, but how to manage it, and train the other volunteers who will do all the non-medical work, such as registering people, organizing supplies, maintaining order, etc.

If all we create are good followers, "do as you're told" volunteers, we don't have a chance of success. We need volunteers trained to, as the military puts it, "take charge and move out."

You don't even need a complex assignment, like managing vaccination clinics, to require your volunteers to have management training. All you need is a mutual aid incident.

If a bunch of mutual aid ARES® members are headed for your county, someone is going to have to get them organized, equipped (if necessary), signed-in, staged, dispatched to their assignments, etc. That means your local folks may spend a lot of their time getting the out-of-towners positioned to actually do the work that needs to be done.

In my county, the worst disaster we plan for is a big earthquake or other emergency in San Francisco that sends us thousands and thousands of urban refugees. We're sixty miles out from SF and a major staging area for Bay Area relief efforts, which will also need our support. See where this is headed? Mayhem that can only be controlled if we train for it.

So, let me thank you in advance for all the help we're going to need in such an emergency. But, to be ready for all the help that will arrive, our members have to be able to manage the stampede.

There is a corollary to this management story: Our folks also need to know how to be a good mutual aid resource if sent to help somewhere else. But, that's for another discussion. In the meantime, think about your members as being managers when your "big one" -- whatever it may

be -- hits. -- David Coursey, N5FDL, EC, San Joaquin County,
California. His emcomm blog is n5fdl.com
<http://webmail.cfl.rr.com/do/redirect?url=http%253A%252F%252Fn5fdl.com>.

==> RADIO CLUB D'HAITI RECEIVES REPEATER FROM ARRL AND RADIO CLUB
DOMINICANO

As part of the relief efforts after the earthquake in Haiti, the ARRL
-- through its Ham Aid Program -- with the help of IARU Region 2 and
the Radio Club Dominicano (RCD <http://www.radioclubdominicano.com/>),
delivered a Vertex VXR-7000
<http://www.vertexstandard.com/ap/vxr-7000.html> repeater to the Radio
Club d'Haiti. This repeater, part of the original equipment sent by the
ARRL during the devastating Haitian earthquakes in January 2010
<http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-sends-ham-aid-equipment-to-haiti>, will
help with radio communications coverage in that devastated nation. Both
the Radio Club Dominicano and the Radio Club d'Haiti are IARU
Member-Societies.

The repeater was originally sent by the ARRL to members of the RCD who
were helping to provide communications support in Haiti following the
earthquake. Earlier this month, Doug Lapin, K1OY, the Dominican
Republic's Ambassador Accredited to the Secretary of State of Foreign
Relations, delivered the repeater to Radio Club d' Haiti President
Jean-Robert Gaillard, HH2JR. According to Lapin, the repeater will be
linked to other repeaters on the island nation, building a new
nationwide Amateur Radio network.

The Ham Aid Fund was created in 2005 in response to the need for
equipment and resources to support the Amateur Radio response to
Hurricanes Katrina, Rita and Wilma. Ham Aid equipment is available on
loan to Amateur Radio organizations during disaster response when
communications equipment is unavailable. The ARRL Ham Aid Fund is
supported by businesses, manufacturers and individual financial
contributions. If you are interested in contributing to the Ham Aid
Fund, please contact ARRL Chief Development Officer Mary Hobart, K1MMH,
via e-mail <k1mmh@arrl.org> or by phone at (860) 594-0307. -ARRL Letter

==> LETTERS

Twitter for Alerting?

I have requested a quote from the One Call Now company that you
mentioned in the January issue of the ARES® E-Letter. Are you aware of
any ARES® groups using Twitter <http://www.twitter.com/> for alerting?
One of my members recently suggested it, but I couldn't find anything
with a quick search so I thought that I would ask you. Once I get that
quote I will be getting in touch with our membership as well as polling
to see who's on Twitter -- I bet most of my members are not. -- Jeff
Dovyak, VE4MBQ, Emergency Coordinator, Winnipeg ARES®

Tabletops in Colorado

Since 2006, O.M.E.G.A. <http://www.omegaresponders.org/php/index.php> has worked table top exercises to full scale exercises for the Colorado North Central Region All Hazards District involving a number of our ARES® Districts. We are participating in an exercise with FEMA Region VIII's DICE 2011. Mile High D.I.C.E. 2011 <http://www.colorado.feb.gov/useruploads/files/2011-01-11_dice_msel_planning_workshop.pdf> is an exercise to allow agencies to discuss and validate Agency continuity plans and capabilities after a series of Improvised Explosive Device (IED) detonations along the Colorado Front Range Area causes agencies to activate their respective Continuity Plans. OMEGA's portion of the exercise is titled Operation Snake Eyes. For more info, please see our Web site <http://www.omegaresponders.org/php/index.php>:- Dave Cook, KC0MHT, RMMC 70 Weather Spotter: D-12 OMEGA

Transmitting the ICS-213 Form

I noted some discussion in the December ARES® E-Letter regarding the issue of transmitting the ICS-213 form. Here's how I explain it to radio amateurs:

When you ship a package via UPS, FEdEx, etc. you've addressed the package. The shippers will place some additional labeling information on your package, however; such things as tracking numbers, routing codes, etc. This is for their audit trail.

The same is true for the 213 form if it must go via relay. If you're sending it directly to the site where it will be received and handled, by all means, send the 213 form raw. But, if your station isn't Winlink equipped, an attachment isn't an option.

If it must be handled via a relay, and that's *any* intermediate step between you and the receiving location by all means append that radiogram header information, i.e. number, precedence, handling instructions, call sign of originator, group count, place of origin, time and date filed. For best results, and to alleviate confusion, use local time and date. But, if you use UTC make sure the UTC date corresponds with UTC time.

The radiogram information allows those intermediate stations to provide proper tracking control. The 213 in its raw form is an interoffice speed memo, and does not contain information to enable proper tracking through a system of relays. If you ask me to relay that information, or any information via manual modes, i.e. voice or cw, then to adequately provide the accountability you *must* have that seemingly irrelevant radiogram information gives me, and you, the tools we must have. -- Richard Webb, NF5B, Chair, ARRL NTS Central Area Staff

Training Suggestion: IS-317, IS-324

After reading your latest newsletter on training, I would like to suggest IS-317 (CERT) and IS-324 (Community Hurricane Preparedness). CERT gives a lot of good knowledge on self-survival for the first 72

hours of a disaster. Taking the course online though does not give you the hands-on CPR training, etc. I also took the CERT training here so I could get the hands-on training. ICS-324 is for the Emergency Manager, but it also helps to understand the decisions he or she has to make. It explains how the NWS works with EM in trying to make sound decisions. -- John T. Fleming <john@w3gqj.net>, W3GQJ, The Villages, Florida

==> LARGE EMCOMM EXERCISE IN GEORGIA A COOPERATIVE EFFORT

An emcomm exercise conducted by the Cherokee County, Georgia, ARES® group, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, and a significant number of clubs throughout the Atlanta, Georgia North Metro area took place Saturday, January 15. It was the first exercise of this type or magnitude ever conducted in the state. There were more than 113 check-ins recorded during the drill, encompassing 16 counties. During the previous week Atlanta was crippled by a massive snow and ice storm, which served as the backdrop for the exercise.

Net schedules were formulated, repeater coordination and permissions for use were secured and net control operators were designated. Coordination with the LDS Church Bishops Central Storehouse (K4BCS) was a major focus. Finalization of all net schedules took place and the Friday afternoon e-mail notification was sent out to the participating ham groups. Five repeater clubs across Atlanta granted use of their repeaters for the exercise and were participating. In total, the drill involved five coordinated, simultaneous nets all working together and checking in on a schedule with the LDS Church Bishops Central Storehouse located in Tucker, Georgia.

Repeaters weren't the only communication conduits. Simplex was used on one net to test its effectiveness. Taking it a level lower, some neighborhoods having ham operators activated an FRS <http://www.frsfamilyradioservice.com/> calling tree making contacts with unlicensed residents and even, in some cases, sending runners out to get face to face contact with members that did not have access to radios of any kind. This went a long way towards adding realism. A few direct EchoLink check-ins to one net control operator also took place.

One Church unit tested an emergency preparedness plan and established a command center as part of that plan. They, as part of their operations test, formulated a simulated casualty and loss message that was transmitted and verified with the Tucker location.

The drill was so successful that several organizations are calling for a six month interval for similar tests. -- Jim Alderdice, N1ABM <n1abm@arrl.net>, Woodstock, Georgia

==> ARRL PARTNERS' NEWS ROUNDUP

American Red Cross

Winter Storms Wreaking Havoc Again
<http://www.redcross.org/portal/site/en/menuitem.1a019a978f421296e81ec89e43181aa0/?vgnexto

id=9561158ec760e210VgnVCM10000089f0870aRCRD>
(February 9, 2011)

APCO International

APCO Releases ANSI Approved Minimum Training Standards For Public
Safety Telecommunicators <http://www.apco911.org/press/view/164>
(February 9, 2011)

Civil Air Patrol

Texas unit stages successful balloon launch, retrieval
<http://www.capvolunteernow.com/todays_features.cfm/texas_unit_stages_successful_balloon_l
aunch_retrieval?show=news&newsID=9735>
(January 21, 2011)

FEMA

FEMA encourages all Councils and CERT Programs to register
<http://www.citizencorps.gov/councils/registry.shtm> in the new
National Registries. The registries collect and display contact
information for each Program and Council making it easier for
individuals to learn more about safety and security in their community
and get involved in local activities. To learn more about Citizen
Corps, click HERE <http://www.citizencorps.gov/about>. To learn more
about CERT, click HERE <http://www.citizencorps.gov/cert/>.

International Association for Radio, Telecommunications and
Electromagnetics

Workshop on High Power Electromagnetic (HPEM) Threats - High Altitude
Electromagnetic Pulse (HEMP) and Intentional Electromagnetic
Interference (IEMI) <http://www.narte.org/h/HPEM.asp> to be held March
14-15, 2011, Chicago, Illinois

National Communications System

The SHARES <http://www.ncs.gov/shares/hf.html> (Shared Resources) High
Frequency Radio program is charged with promoting interoperability
between High Frequency radio systems used by the Federal departments
and agencies.

NVOAD

National Level Exercise 2011 (May 16-20, 2011) -- The purpose of
National Level Exercise 2011
<http://www.fema.gov/media/fact_sheets/nle2011_fs.shtm> (NLE 2011) is
to prepare and coordinate a multiple-jurisdictional integrated response
to a national catastrophic event - specifically a major earthquake in
the central United States region of the New Madrid Seismic Zone
<http://pubs.usgs.gov/fs/2009/3071/> (NMSZ).

NLE 2011 will involve thousands of government officials at the federal,
state, local and tribal levels, members of the private sector, and the
general public. Participants will conduct simultaneous, related

exercise activities at command posts, emergency operation centers and other locations in the Washington D.C. area and the eight affected central U.S. states (Alabama, Arkansas, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Mississippi, Missouri, and Tennessee).

REACT

While REACT <http://www.reactintl.org/> has been associated primarily with Citizens Band in the past, the organization has widened its focus to embrace amateur and other services. ARRL and REACT share common goals in terms of emergency communication.

Salvation Army

The Salvation Army ALM Division Ready As Winter Weather Approaches <http://disaster.salvationarmyusa.org/media/?ID=b140d3eb46ccc0c0e86e3ff728507889>. Once again, much of Alabama, Louisiana, and Mississippi are bracing for frozen precipitation and The Salvation Army is preparing to respond. As sub-freezing temperatures settle in across the region, The Salvation Army is expanding shelter capacity. (February 9, 2011).

Society of Broadcast Engineers

SBE at the 2011 NAB Show (February 3, 2011). The Society of Broadcast Engineers has been NAB's organizational partner for the presentation of the NAB <http://www.nab.org/> Broadcast Engineering Conference (BEC) since 1995. Following previous years, this year's BEC will be the largest and most comprehensive broadcast technical conference in the world. The conference begins with the SBE Ennes Workshop on Saturday, April 9 and ends on Thursday, April 14.

==> SKYWARN TRAINING ON ST. JOHN A WIN-WIN FOR ISLAND AND FORECASTERS

It always helps to have eyes on the ground. A SKYWARN training session, hosted last year by local St. John hams and presented by representatives of NOAA and the National Weather Service, will help forecasters fill a critical void in on-the-ground weather information from this small, tropical US Virgin Island - a gateway for weather traveling to Puerto Rico and westward. St. John's unique geographic location - being the eastern-most part of the United States Virgin Islands and resting on the edge of FAA radar located in San Juan - makes on-the-ground weather information critical and necessary for accurate forecasting. "There is no accurate way to tell if there is a waterspout just off shore, or just how intense rain and other aspects of storms are on St. John by looking at current data," said Robert Mitchell, Lead Forecaster from the NWS in San Juan, one of the presenters at the training. Mitchell was joined by Althea Austin - Smith, senior hydrologist with NWS and NOAA, who toured the island before the training session looking at areas currently impacted by flooding and landslide during heavy rains.

The St. John SKYWARN session was the culmination of four years of effort by St. John Amateur Radio Club member George Cline KP2G, and

Club President Paul Jordan NP2JF. "With severe weather crossing from one country to another, and moving from island to island each day, cohesion in reporting and collection of weather data is critical to local public safety," said Jordan, who is also a member of St. John Rescue and St. John ARES�. "We had the training session set up several times, only to have it postponed, largely due to budget. We were eager to get the National Weather Service training here to help residents and visitors better prepare for and respond to weather events, and to help local forecasters," said Jordan, NP2JF.

Part of the unique challenge here is that, unlike areas in the contiguous 48 states where radar often overlaps to provide several views of a given area, St. John is only seen on the edge of the San Juan radar. With weather radar angled to avoid picking up ground objects, that degree above the earth becomes more elevated at the outer circumference of the radar, sometimes missing lower-lying clouds or other weather-related features. This is what makes the need for on-the-ground weather watchers so critical. More than a dozen attendees took part in the training including members of the St. John Amateur Radio Club, St. John Rescue (an all-volunteer emergency first-responder group), representatives of the Transportation Safety Administration from St. Thomas international airport, and the St. Thomas Amateur Radio Club. Weather watchers were provided with direct contact numbers and e-mail addresses for reporting severe weather events to the National Weather Service in San Juan, PR. - Phyllis Benton, NP2MZ, ARRL Public Information Officer, US Virgin Islands Section News

==> ARRL INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN AWARD GOES TO EMCOMM OP

Ron Tomo, KE2UK, of North Bellmore, New York, is the recipient of the 2010 ARRL International Humanitarian Award. Tomo's life exemplified Public Service through Amateur Radio, from providing phone patches during the Vietnam War, and providing communications support during 9/11 with MARS and the United States Service Command, as well as serving in the US Coast Guard Auxiliary as a Communications Officer where he played a pivotal role during Hurricanes Katrina and Rita.

During the Haitian earthquake in January 2010, Tomo -- at his own expense -- served with a team of doctors, providing communication support between the on-site doctors and the hospital in Miami. According to Jack Satterfield, W4GRJ -- one of his many nominators -- Tomo provided critical communication links at multiple levels, "from coordinating helicopter relief to a stranded village, to handling emergency evacuations to the nearby USS Comfort hospital ship. Ron even provided the extra hands needed to hold flashlights at the operating table when the power went out at night. He went on a rescue mission to help carry stretchers, bringing back patients to their facility. Ron has a polio-inflicted disability which never seemed to slow him down; however, in the dark and confusing night while carrying a stretcher, he missed a step and took a pretty bad fall. He needed medical attention, but Ron was adamant about seeing to the other patients before himself.

His efforts while in Haiti were undoubtedly and directly attributable in the saving of so many lives."

ARRL New York City/Long Island Section Manager Mike Lisenco, N2YBB, concurred: "At his own expense -- about $10,000 -- Ron purchased more than 15 new radios and added others from his massive collection which he used to set up a tactical network in a tent hospital. This network proved to be a lifesaving setup where Ron was personally credited by the doctors in his tent hospital for saving at least eight lives and helping hundreds more due to his ability to find hospitals to handle the patients who had been triaged and stabilized. Ron gave out his radios to several people and hospitals, thereby giving his hospital both incoming and outgoing communications to expedite the transport and intake of new patients." -- ARRL

==> ARES® STAFF CHANGES

New Indiana Section Emergency Coordinator

Tony Langer, W9AL, has departed the Indiana Section staff as of December, 2010, with thanks for his four years of service. The new SEC is Joseph Lawrence, K9RFZ. In setting his initial priorities, Lawrence centered on ARES® net topics: "I think the ARES® Net should be used to discuss recent ARES® policy changes, significant lessons learned from public service events or emergency exercises, problems the EC faced and how he or she solved them, and problems the EC faces and wants suggestions for solving."

"Some issues need more discreet one on one consideration, but most EC's face similar problems of team participation, EMA cooperation, etc," Lawrence said. "What works in one team may work fine for others. Rather than re-inventing the wheel, EC's need more opportunities to share ideas. I'd run the net more like a corporate staff meeting. Each member is expected to discuss recent issues, actions, and plans forward. I think it's also useful for the general ARES® team member to hear and participate in these discussions." -- John Poindexter, W3ML, Indiana Section Manager

Alabama Searches for New SEC

Spencer Edwards, KZ4J, has resigned as Alabama Section Emergency Coordinator. Edwards' recovery from a number of surgeries over the past months has taken longer than expected and due to health concerns he has stepped down. He is hopeful that he will be able to return in some capacity in the future. Alabama Section officials wish Edwards a speedy recovery, and thanked him for his work as SEC.

The search has begun to seek a replacement for the Section Emergency. -- David M. Drummond, W4MD <w4md@arrl.org>, Alabama Section Manager

==> K1CE FOR A FINAL

It has been an extremely difficult winter for many parts of the country, with probably countless ARES activations conducted in severe environments. I am looking for reports on how operators worked under these conditions

of cold, snow and ice for educational purposes in future newsletters. Please send brief accounts and observations to your editor <k1ce@arrl.net>. Thanks! See you next month!

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WIANEWS FOR WEEK COMMENCING FEB 20 2011.- presnted from the Central Coast
Amatur Radio Club the hosts of Wyong Hamfest by:-

Fred VK2FSP

Rod VK2FVRJ

Karen VK2AKB

Ian VK2HK and

Col VK2ZCO.

They present ALL TODAYS STORIES IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS
INSTITUTE OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING FEBRUARY 20 2011.

Just 1 week to go until Amateur Radio's Big Day out!

The Central Coast Amateur Radio Club Field day at Wyong will be
held on Sunday the 27th of February 2011 at Wyong Race course.
Gates will open at 6.30 am to allow entry and setup for Traders /
Exhibitors and Flea Marketeers.

The Trader/ Exhibitor areas will open to the public at 9am.
Admission is $12 for Adults with free admission for those under 17.

Amateur radio examinations will be conducted on the day by Brian Kelly who can be contacted on 0418659043 for further information.

For help on the day, there will directions and information on the local VHF repeater, 146.725MHz, with a 91.5 sub tone.

For further information and regular updates, please go to the Field Day website, www.fieldday.org.au or email Central Coast Amateur Radio Club - ccarc@ccarc.org.au

So don't miss out! Come along and grab a bargain!

SDR Expert touring Australia

Software-Defined Radio (SDR) expert, Kjell Karlsen LA2NI, arrived in Sydney last week for a holiday tour around Australia. Kjell is a major contributor to the Hermes project, a high performance SDR transceiver, and is also the project leader on Apollo, a power amplifier and filter for Hermes.

For information on these projects, just Google the words "H e r m e s" and "h p s d r", then click on the first result.

Kjell has been an Amateur since 1962. His primary amateur interest is in constructing VHF and HF equipment, and he built his first digital synthesiser in 1968. In 1995, he built a small 25 W HF transceiver that was used by Norwegian adventurer Brge Ousland during a solo Antarctic crossing.

Now, Kjell's passion is Software-Defined Radio. He has already given a lecture on SDR to the Manly-Warringah Radio Society in Sydney.

Kjell will be on APRS, so you'll be able to follow him as he travels around Australia. He plans visit to Adelaide, Alice Springs, and Perth. Keep an eye and ear out for his callsign, LA2NI

(vk2sky)

TAIT EXPANDS

Tait Radio Communications, has opened a new facility in Clayton Victoria to service its expanded Victorian business. A new workshop and project planning centre will manage the rollout of radio equipment, ongoing maintenance and upgrades for the emergency services sector.

Tait is currently working with the Country Fire Authority (CFA) on its Radio Replacement Project, which will create up to 12 new jobs during the next year. As part of the deal, it is rolling out 13,000 digital trunked radios, which is expected to be completed mid-2012.

The new facility will also house existing Melbourne staff.

VIRUS INFECTS AMBULANCE COMPUTERS.

Computers handling ambulances in NSW are back online a major virus forced staff to shut them down for more than 24 hours on Saturday, prompting staff to coordinate paramedics by telephone and handwritten notes.

General Manager Mike Willis said the time it took to fix the problem was "regrettable , but I wouldn't allow the system to be turned back on until our technicians cleaned every workstation."

The cause and source of the virus was still not known, he said.

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news

Morning broadcast for Wyong Field Day.

As is the New South Wales custom there will be no VK2WI news on the morning of our Central Coast Hamfest - Sunday the 27th of February.
In its place there is a transmission on Saturday evening at 7.30 pm with the normal morning format.
Sunday evening, after the field day, will be as normal at 7.30 pm.

Loki is the name of the edge of space balloon experiment that Tamworth Radio Club members & Tamworth Oxley Scout members will be launching in the coming weeks.

As airspace is heavily regulated regarding its use negotiations are well in hand with Australia's airspace regulator the Civil Aviation Safety Authority, or CASA and air traffic controllers regarding a host of regulations that need to be complied with regarding the flight of the balloon through controlled airspace.

Non compliance with all the necessary regulations have large and hefty fines along with a optional holiday in gaol. Controlled airspace starts at various altitudes above ground depending on where you are, up to 60,000 feet. Most jet passenger aircraft cruise at an altitude between 25,000 and 40,000 feet. How would anyone get to see the photos if the little baby craft gets swallowed and shredded by a big nasty jet engine.

Up to date information can be found on Tamworth Radio Club's web site www.trci.org.au, then follow the links to projects.

VK2BOZ is publicity officer and VK2YGV project director.

(sourced to vk2sky)

The Orange club in VK2 now meets at the Orange SES advises Ross VK2ER.

GETTING PLASTERED AT THE CLUBROOMS.

Finishing off the ceiling plastering is being done at the Summerland clubrooms in Northern NSW.

The "Good Guy" involved with this project is Steve Price, Plasterer, Goonellabah, who has DONATED his time to the Amateur Radio Club!

"On Yah Steve".

ARNSW will be starting an Amateur Radio training course at Dural on
Monday the 7th of March.

It will be in the evening from 1900 to 2130 hours advises Terry VK2UX who will
be the instructor.

It will run every Monday evening and is free for members or $5 per night for
non members. Non members can join on the night if they wish.

More details are available on the ARNSW web site, www.arnsw.org.au
under training and exams.

Bookings are not required, although expressions of interest would be welcome
to the office phone 9651 1490 and leave a message and contact details.

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local news email qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
VKR Roundup http://www.police.qld.gov.au/News+and+Alerts/Media+Releases/

Welcome to QNews from VK4WIA. I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP, and I've been thinking.

Way back when Model T Fords and Austin 8 motor cars were sought after prizes of
the new industrial age, the radio experimenter was adapting available
paraphernalia to the hobby. By the time Australia could claim its own motor car,
the surplus of war time electronics were being used to grow many a ham station.

By the time the first 8-bit computers were appearing, surplus boards from
obsolete mainframe computers were supplying active and passive components to
the hobbiest. A few projects featured in "Amateur Radio" magazine. The
commercial land mobile industry has bequeathed many rigs to the amateur cause
with varying amounts of success.

The one thing that marks these practices has been the personal desire to learn.
learn by doing. When we look over recent times there has been an exponential
growth in the semiconductor industry to feed the communication/IT markets.
The upshot of this is that mass produced components with performance that would
have classed them as laboratory grade standard in years gone-by are now being
used by the home constructor.

The major demand for home brewing is stronger eyes as surface mount components
get smaller.

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think....how about you?

QAC NEWS

I'm Mike Charteris VK4QS, the new chairman of the Queensland Advisory Committee
for the Wireless Institute of Australia.

My fellow QAC members include Mr Don Wilschefski VK4BY from Rockhampton,
Mr Ken Fuller VK4KF from Brisbane, and Dr Kevin Johnson VK4UH also of Brisbane.
We look forward to serving you as best we can over the next three years and
and can be contacted by way of email as per the WIA website, or as previously

broadcast on QNews.

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So all the best for now my friends. I look forward to hearing from you and meeting you in this great act of radio fellowship we know as amateur radio.

CLUBBING - TO SUPPLY NEWS ITEMS:-
email qnews@wia.org.au

Bunya Mts & District AmCom

Good morning/evening to all. I'm Neil VK4NF

It is that time of the year again when the Bunya Mts & District AmCom and the Sunchine coast Amateur radio club host our annual camp out at Kirkleigh Somerset Dam. This year the dates are the 2nd & third of April.

This is a good opportunity to get together with friends that have similar interests, make new friends, exchange some good ideas and get away from the normal routine of life for a couple of days.

We have secured a discount on camping fees from $14.50 down to $10 per person per night, but we must have a minmium of 20 bookings per night and we need to have your booking confirmed with payment by Wednesday the 23rd of march, more details later. So mark your diaries now, the weekend of April 2nd & 3rd.

For more details please contact.

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TREC

G'day again, this is Dale VK4DMC for the Tablelands Radio and Electronics Club, TREC, in Far North Queensland.

Well the clean-up is still ongoing after TC Yasi. Fortunately here on the Atherton Tablelands we experienced far less damage than those unfortunate folks in the areas south of the Mission Beach/Tully region. Some of those areas are still without power and telephone.

TREC held our first social get-together for the year followed by a Management Committee meeting on Saturday. Howard Small, VK4BS, president of the Cairns Amateur Radio Club was a guest speaker and he outlined some of the activities that the Cairns Club have planned for the year and hopefully some of these events will be joint ventures with TREC.

Howard also asked if TREC can install and run an APRS node in Atherton to be linked into the Cairns system. A suitable transceiver is being sourced. Art VK4GO has offered to provide some hardware and expertise.

Visit the TREC website at www.treclub.org.au for club information and you can also download the latest monthly news in TREC-NEWS.

This has been Dale VK4DMC. Travel Well

Redcliffe and District Radio Club
www.redclifferadioclub.org.au/

I'm Ray, VK4CF with news from Redcliffe Amateur Radio club.

Next Monday night the club is holding one its very popular technical talks.

This coming Monday will be David, VK4DC with his talk about his experiences of scratch building and making electronics kits entitled, "the Good, bad & the ugly !!!"

David has finished a large number of projects and will enthral you with how the finished projects turned out.

Just a reminder that there will not be any technical talk in March due to the John Moyle and the next talk in April, will be a beauty and it will be by Kevin VK4UH - Lord Howe Island DX expedition January 2011.

Allen VK4KZ, the Club's education manager announced at the club monthly meeting, that there are some 22 students starting Foundation, standard & advanced courses at the club. The cost of the course fees were set at $45 for club members and $55 for non-club members. If you wish to join any of the courses please contact the Club Secretary, Peter, VK4TAA via the club web site for more information.

The meeting was very appreciative of the work done by Stuart, VK4TSB for the Car Park lightning. This will improve the security of vehicles and visitors to the club during meeting nights.

The club is planning to celebrate the National field day in April this year with a display within one of the larger shopping centres in the Redcliffe area. The exact location is still being planned and will be announced in the next few weeks.

Planning is almost complete for the John Moyle Field Day in March. Again the club will be setting camp up on Friday 18th March at the Murrenbong Scout Camp at Petrie. Peter VK4EA is leading this year's event. Please contact Peter if you are able to assist with either the Friday setting up of clean-up on Sunday afternoon.

The club will have operators on all bands 10m to 160m. The club will be operating again mostly on battery power with the Club's Genset to top up the batteries as we go. This year the club hopes that all operators will be able to use the VC logger program on laptops to capture logs. Any amateur in the Greater Brisbane area is also invited to join in and if you plan for just a day visit or to stay for the whole weekend please contact Peter, VK4EA via the club website. We will be pleased to see you.

Chris VK4ANI advises that the latest edition of the club's magazine QRM is available on the club's website & on the web.

And before I go, it was pleasing to hear that club members Stanthorpe Kelly gang (Gary, Anita & family) have moved into the new house. Over the coming weeks, they hope to finalise their antennas and get a big signal up and running again. Thanks for that news Scott, VK4FLAE.

So now it's 73 from Ray, VK4CF.

Help wanted.

The Logan West Amateur Radio club is seeking help in supplying Communications in the Maryvale area of Qld, on the weekend, 9th and 10th April.

VHF and UHF operators and some one to do data entry at the ride base.

Fuel vouchers will be issued to assist in their travel cost.

Please contact Peter Harding,

vk4od@wia.org.au

News from North Queensland and the TARCinc.

Reading the early edition in the Townsville footprint?

Here is a chance to get a sneek preview of the venue that theTARCinc will be going to for this years John Moyle Field Day and help out with a worthy cause.

A Community Working Bee will be taking place at the Bluewater Girl Guides Training Centre Toolakea Beach Road from 9am this Saturday February 19th.

Chainsaw operators, storm debris helpers, trailers utes and tippers are all required to help bring the grounds back to their pristine beauty following the passage of Severe Tropical Cyclone Yasi.

Be sure to wear stout clothing, boots, hat and bring along plenty of drinking water.

Hopefully, with many hands making light of the work, the place will be back in tip top condition after a day of toil. Be There !

VK5

Good morning.

This is Deano, VK5HOG.

Secretary of the Port Adelaide Radio Club.

I wish to advise listeners, that the club is still in existence.

Our club rooms are situated at St Patrick reserve, Melbourne Place, Alberton.
We meet every Wednesday, and the club rooms are opened from 4pm to 8pm.
All visitors are welcome.

Enquires may be made on 82774397, I repeat - 82774397. Thank you.

South Coast Amateur Radio Club - Subsidised Members Dinner 20 th March 2011

The South Coast Amateur Radio Club Inc. will be holding its 2011 Subsidised Members Dinner on Sunday 20th March 2011 at Fresh Choice Family Restraunt in Sturt South Australia.

Members are required to register numbers, as bookings are essential for this event. If you are planning on attending, please contact Secretary by email at secretary@scarc.org.au

It would be great to see as many members and partners as possible in attendance, to allow members to socially meet outside the Clubrooms environment.
Registration can also be done through the eventlist function on the SCARC Website www.scarc.org.au

Look forward to seeing you there. Enjoying the hospitality of fellow members of the club.

Regards,
Stef Daniels VK5HSX
Secretary
South Coast Amateur Radio Club Inc.
E-mail: secretary@scarc.org

VK7
local area news :- http://reast.asn.au/news.php
vk7 local news, email vk7regionalnews-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

Cradle Coast Amateur Radio Club will be holding its AGM on Saturday, 26th of February at the Penguin Lion's club rooms, 19 Ironcliff road.

Start time will be 1.30pm.

Business will be the election of office bearers, so now is your chance to be on the committee. Nomination forms are available on the club website.

Please note, nominations must be delivered to the secretary at least 5 days prior to the election, and members must be financial for the current year 2011 to stand for a committee position or vote in any election.

A general meeting will be held after the AGM finishes.

http://www.my-x15.net/ccarc/

(David, VK7DC, Secretary, CCARC)

DISCUSSION POINT
(Views of authors not the WIA)

The IPocalypse is upon us. This is Stuart, VK4MSL and I'm talking about the Internet Protocol, specifically version 4, which has come to dominate all aspects of computer networking. So popular is this protocol, that on the 4th of February, the Internet Assigned Numbers Authority "ran out" of addresses.

At a recently held linux.conf.au conference in Brisbane, Google Vice President Dr Vinton Cerf and APNIC Chief Scientist Geoff Huston both gave keynote speeches covering this issue. These keynotes are viewable online, and are well worth watching.

http://linuxconfau.blip.tv/file/4683393/ (-- Keynote: Dr. Vinton Cerf)
http://linuxconfau.blip.tv/file/4692762/ (-- Keynote: Geoff Huston)
http://stuartl.longlandclan.yi.org/blog/2011/02/05/the-impending-ipocalypse/

The upshot is that with the increase in Internet users in the next few years, we can expect rough times ahead as ISPs are forced to take radical steps to conserve address space. Any software or device that relies on direct peer-to-peer contact such as Skype and EchoLink will suffer at the very least, significant performance degradation over time.

On top of this, will be a substantially worsened spam and malware problem, as the culprits become harder to trace.

IPv4 has a successor, IPv6 which was designed to solve this problem, among others. The catch is, not enough people are taking it up, and time is running out.

If you write software for a living or as a hobby that talks to the Internet, we need you to ensure your software is able to communicate over this protocol. If you are a consumer, we need you to contact your ISPs, device manufacturers and software companies and ask them what they are doing to address this issue.

Let's work together, to ensure that the Internet as we know it today, remains as open as possible for all into the future. This has been Stuart, VK4MSL reporting from Brisbane for WIA Front Page News.

We asked an IT expert for her comments, and were told

"The reality is that IP6 is totally incompatible with IP4"

It's like saying digital and analogue radio, it uses the same airwaves bit the two technologies are completely different. And it's because of the these incompatibilities that pretty much nobody has taken it up.

What makes it worse is there is (at this point in time) no way to make a IP4 to IP6 gateway"

So ... my take ... and it is my personal view ...

Is that IP6 will never take off, ever, and that someone will think of something better as the next generation networking layer, and this will be driven by the ability to interconnect with what we currently have.

Is the world really running out of address space ?

It's running out of address space that has been allocated for use by the ISP's.

So is there any address space that has been allocated to other organisations that is not being utilised ? - Yes ! and there is bucket loads of it.

Some VERY large address blocks (Class A blocks) were allocated in the beginning to Universities and companies like IBM and these address blocks are not being utilised.

So there is a administrative solution to this that could see us good with enough address space for the next 5-10 years so I am told".

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Potential candidates are reminded that exams can be conducted across the north west coast of Tassie at a mutually agreed time and place by the Cradle Coast Amateur Radio Club examiners.

For further details on gaining a licence or upgrading, contact Cradle Coast Amateur Radio Club learning organiser, Keith Winkler, VK7KW.

Contact details are available on the club website, best found when you visit wia.org.au and look up vk7 clubs.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART and the WW sources of the WIA.

Len ZL3IE SK at 100

Veteran New Zealand Radio Amateur Len Hopkinson ZL3IE has passed away at the age of 100.

ZL3PN writes:

"ZL3IE HAPPY DAYS......Was the sign-off saying of Len for 75 years after every contact. Len was visited by scores of Russian Seamen from ships loading meat from Timaru right thru the decades.....Sunspots low or high his cubical Quad got into the Russian hams."

Len has been described as "a true home brew gear ham from the 1930s".

The Reqium Mass for Len was celebrated at St Josephs Catholic Church, Temuka February 15.

(SouthGate News)

ALLOCATION OF ZS9 CALL SIGNS

When the original request was made to ICASA to issue ZS9 calls, the proposal by a group of zs radio amateurs who had formed a contest group, was based there-on that ZS9 call signs would only be allocated to a club for contesting purposes.

Of late individual radio amateurs are applying for ZS9 call signs for their own general use.

ICASA (The South African version of our ACMA) is now looking at setting guidelines that will determine the conditions under which ZS9 call signs will be issued.

The item is on the Agenda of the ICASA/SARL liaison meeting to be held February 25th.

OPERATIONAL NEWS -

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2011

Feb 26-27 ZL Jock White Field Day

Mar 19-20 WIA John Moyle Field Day weekend

Apr 23 ZL/VK 2011 VK/ZL RTTY SPRINT 80 metres (zl2sky@zl2ko.or.au)

Apr 30 WW Marconi Day 2011 (www.gb4imd.org.uk)

Apr 30 ZL/VK 2011 VK/ZL RTTY SPRINT 40 metres (zl2sky@zl2ko.or.au)

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, REPEATER BEACON DX AND NET ADVICE

TIMOR-LESTE 2011 DXPEDITION

VK8NSB, VK8FNCY, 9M6DXX, 9M6XRO and MW0JRX will be operating from Timor-Leste (East Timor) between 16 and 26 September 2011. The location will be Atauro Island, OC-232, 30km north of the capital, Dili.

The group is working closely with the Timor-Leste licensing authority and the DXpedition callsign will be announced soon.

There will be three stations, two using full licensed power linear amplifiers, and a third running 100W. Antennas will mainly be quarter-wave verticals and vertical dipoles, all located within a few metres of the ocean. For 160m an inverted-L will be used.

Activity will be on all bands 10 - 160m using CW, SSB and RTTY.

Atauro Island was chosen in order to provide a quiet location, well away from the electrical noise of down-town Dili. The beach-front site will also allow the group to put up vertical antennas right by the ocean, providing additional low-angle gain. In addition, the island counts as OC-232 and is part of a very rare IOTA group, having being confirmed by only 18% of active IOTA participants.

Accommodation on Atauro Island is very basic and will be in beach huts with no mains electricity or running water. All power for the DXpedition will be provided using generators.

QSL via M0URX, direct, via the bureau, or LoTW.

Alternatively, QSL's may be requested using M0URX's OQRS form at
www.m0urx.com/qsl-request-form

The Orange and District A R C turns 50 this year and part of the
celebrations will be a special event callsign from the start of March
until the end of June. The call is V I 5 0 A O A .

KENYA, 5Z.
Sig, NV7E is active as 5Z4EE for the next four years.

He is active on 160 to 10 meters. This includes entries in all the major
contests.

QSL to home call NV7E

BROADCAST MONITORING SWL AND SCANNER NEWS
http://spench.net/drupal/software/rfmap)AUSTRALIAN GEOGRAPHICAL RF MAP)
http://www.scanaustralia.bigpondhosting.com
http://mt-shortwave.blogspot.com/
HTTP://www.ei7dar.com/hf.html
www.tinyurl.com/BITS-026 (A receiver located in NY USA)
http://wb4mak.com/ (Atlanta 80/40/20 Web SDR Receiver)

Norway to end national analogue FM

The Norwegian Government has announced plans that would see the national public
and commercial radio services ceasing FM broadcasts in 2017.

A report on RWonline quotes a Government press release as saying
"The radio industry wants a liquidation of FM and the government now takes
active steps to facilitate a transition to digital radio and to take care
of listeners' interests."

www.rwonline.com/article/113286

BBC TO CUT BACK FOREIGN LANGUAGE BROADCASTS

The British Broadcasting Corporation has confirmed plans to cease five of its
32 World Service language transmissions. According to the GB2RS News, the
Macedonian, Albanian and Serbian services will be the first axed, as will
English for the Caribbean and Portuguese for Africa.

The World Service will also eliminate short wave transmission of six more
language services in March.

INTRUDER WATCH - ENFORCEMENT ZONE

Region III IARUMS Coordinator Peter Young VK3MV

VK IARUMS reflector email to subscribe intruders@wia.org.au

INTRUDER NETS
Friday 0730 UTC 7.065.5 with VK4CEU David.

Amateur exclusive frequencies where any non-amateur signal is definitely an
intruder.

Amateur HF Spectrum world wide
7.050 to 7.100
14.000 to 14.250
14.250 to 14.350 No broadcasters
21.000 to 21.450
24.890 to 24.990
28.000 to 29.700

Voice of Russia moved from 7200 to 7265 kHz

On the IARU Region 1 website, DJ9KR reports that the Voice of Russia has moved from the exclusive Amateur Radio frequency 7200 kHz.

The report says:

DF5SX informed St. Petersburg TX center.

Immediately a "Letter of Complaint" was sent and asked for a frequency shift off the exclusive amateur radio frequency 7200 kHz.

Februay 8 a short email from Mr. Alexey Vesnin from "The General Radio Frequency Centre" in Moscow informing:

"I moved 7200 to 7265. For me it is easy :-) Are you happy?

Best regards, Alexey "

MEDIA WATCH
www.cq-amateur-radio.com/WorldRadio.html
VK Club Bulletins http://groups.yahoo.com/group/aarnie/

HAM RADIO ON THE BOOKSHELF: WE BE BIG - A BOOK ABOUT BROADCASTING AND HAM RADIO

A new book from a couple of New York Times bestselling authors who are also nationally-syndicated broadcast personalities will offer readers unprecedented exposure to the hobby of amateur radio.

"We Be Big" from Thomas Nelson Publishers is the autobiography of Rick Burgess and Bill "Bubba" Busses, whose morning radio show is heard in over fifty cities across America as well as on XM satellite radio. The team has previously published several books that landed near the top on the New York Times bestseller list. Their highly successful Rick and Bubba Show feature their down-home view on life in a spirited and fun presentation.

The amateur radio connection comes from several angles. First, Bill "Bubba" Bussey is a long-time active ham radio operator. He holds an Advanced class license and the call sign KJ4JJ. He cites amateur radio as one influence that led to a career in broadcast engineering, ownership, and on-the-air success. Bussey talks in the book about how he came to the hobby at an early age and has been active ever since. He also often discusses the amateur radio on the show.

Additionally, "We Be Big" was co-written with the help of national-bestselling author Don Keith, who also happens to be an active amateur radio enthusiast. Keith holds an Amateur Extra class license and his call sign is N4KC, and has been licensed for almost fifty years.

Keith has over twenty books in print, both fiction and non-fiction, and writes on subjects such as college athletics, broadcasting, submarines and World War II history. N4KC was also a long-time broadcaster, twice named Billboard Magazine's "Broadcast Personality of the Year."

Publication date for "We Be Big" is scheduled for March 22nd. Pre-orders are being accepted by many booksellers across the USA.

(ARNEWSLINE)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS - FAITH.

MAF Discovery day.

We have only just been advised that the Missionary Aviation Fellowship has an open day Saturday the 19th at Camden Airport from 10 am.

So if you are lucky enough to be in the area and have read the early script edition of this news, we hope you were/are able to get along.

MAF flys in remote regions worldwide, including Northern Australia and PNG.

Open Days typically include affordable joyflights with highly experienced sky- pilots.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

AMSAT-VK UNOFFICIAL HF Net.
2nd Sunday each month.
April through October 1000 UTC 3.685 MHz
November through March 0900 UTC 7.068 MHz

ARISSat-1 was NOT deployed last Wednesday, subsequently, RSC-Energia informed NASA that deployment of ARISSat-1 will be added to RSC EVA 29 currently NOT scheduled until July 2011.

However the Russian Federal Space Agency reports that ARISSat-1 will be activated April 12 on 145.950MHz FM to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the first human space flight.

ARISSat-1 is also known as Kedr, the callsign of Cosmonaut Yury Gagarin on his historic flight.

The satellite is currently inside the International Space Station (ISS) and will be connected to an Amateur Radio antenna mounted on the ISS for the commemorative transmission.

It is still planned to deploy the satellite during a space walk in July.

THE NEW LONG WAVELEGNTH ARRAY

What's being termed as an innovative new radio telescope array is now under construction in central New Mexico. One that will eventually harness the power of more than 13,000 antennas and provide a fresh eye to the sky.

This antenna farm will form what is being called the Long Wavelength Array. This is a radio telescope designed to survey the sky from horizon to horizon

over a range of frequencies in the High Frequency spectrum from 20 to 80 MHz.

The first station in the Long Wavelength Array, with 256 antennas, is scheduled to start surveying the sky by this summer. When complete, the entire system will consist of 53 station locations, with a total of 13,000 antennas strategically placed in an area nearly 248 miles in diameter.

The overall receiving system is expected to provide sensitive, high-resolution images of a region of the sky hundreds of times larger than that of a full moon. Investigators believe that these images could reveal radio signals coming from planets outside our solar system, and thus would turn out to be a new way to detect these worlds. In addition to planets, the telescope will hopefully reveal a host of other cosmic phenomena.

The University of New Mexico is the lead researcher in this project,. NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, California is providing the advanced digital electronic systems, which represent a major component of the observatory

MARS MISSION LANDS 3 SPACEMEN.

In an 18 month mission to study the effects of a mission to Mars, 3 of 6 volunteers "touched down" on Sunday last before moving out of their lander for their first "space walk" on the Martian surface - all without leaving a Moscow research centre.

The landing marks the approximate halfway point for the experiment in which the participants must spend 520 days in isolation from the world to test how humans would respond to the pressures of the long voyage to Mars.

Read more:
www.news.com.au/technology/sci-tech/mars-mission-experiment-volunteers-have-landed/story-fn5fsgyc-1226005738929#ixzz1DtncsVMw

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- MEDICAL
IHS = www.groups.Yahoo.com/group/IHSradio/
IHS = www.IHSOFMN.org
PHARMACISTS = www.malpensa.it/iphg
Medical Amateur Radio Council www.marco-ltd.org/

PAPUA NEW GUINEA, P2.

Allan, VK2GR and Josette, VK2FXGR are active as P29CW from the North and Middle Fly River areas of the remote area of Kiunga, IOTA OC-034, until early September while working for the organization "Australian Doctors International".

Activity on 80 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY in their spare time.

QSL via VK2IR.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP --- MILITARY

Radio Luxembourg used by Allied Forces in WW2

A video showing Radio Luxembourg being operated by the Allied Forces' Psychological Warfare Division in 1944 is now available.

On the Monitoring Monthly Yahoo Group Mike Barraclough writes:

Alan Bailey on Digital Spy has posted a link to a fascinating short video showing Radio Luxembourg operated by the Allied Forces' Psychological Warfare Division to break down German morale and induce Nazi troops to surrender during World War II:

Check out these fascinating shots by following the links, best read on the script edition of this news at wia.org.au

www.videosurf.com/video/allied-soldiers-prepare-material-for-especially-prepared-german-broadcasts-at-radio-luxembourg-during-world-war-ii-1218233041

An article on this was published by Life Magazine March 5 1945 which can now be read online via Google books at:

http://bit.ly/gEm60T

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS - VHF AND ABOVE

The news is that in South-East Queensland, local interest is growing in having gear available for the microwave amateur radio bands - 1296 MHz and the many bands above.

The Brisbane VHF Group recognises this and is organising a time when local microwaving amateurs will be out at public places using their gear.

Weather permitting, this will be on Sunday the 6th of March, just three weeks away.

Liaison on the day will be on the Group's Mt Glorious 2 metre repeater on 147 MHz.

Sunday the 6th of March 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., starting just after the morning National and QNEWS broadcast.

One central location on the southside will be Mount Gravatt.

Contact club president Doug, VK4OE

on 3391 5526 or at uwaves@bigpond.com

All amateurs and other interested folk in the area or travelling through are invited to come along and see microwave amateur radio in action!

REWIND

There were many major events of 1971, among them, the first ever one day cricket match between England and Australia.

Idi Amim became President of Uganda.

Apollos 14 and 15 land on the moon and return safely to earth.

Bangladesh becomes an independent nation and West German President Willy Brandt wins the Nobel Peace prize.

Arguably the most notable event however was the founding of the St. George Amateur Radio Society.

The society will be 40 years old in May and to commemorate, a dinner is being held Wednesday May 4 at the South Hurstville RSL Club.

Check out the club's website
sgars.org

(vk2wi)

SOCIAL SCENE

2011

Feb 27 vk2 Central Coast Amateur Radio Club Ham Fest at Wyong
Start Time : Gates open 6.30 am

Feb 27 vk3 YARRA VALLEY HAMFEST at Gary Cooper Pavilion 16 Anzac Av
Yarra Glen. Opens 10am-2pm.
(www//yarravalley.ar.org.au)

Mar 13 vk3 EMDRC White Elephant Sale Heathmont.

Mar 20 vk7 MEET THE VOICE BBQ "Ross Caravan Park".

Apr 2 - 3 vk4 Bunya Mts & District AmCom and SCARC Somerset Dam Camp Out.
(0488 687 649)

Apr 9 vk6 Hills Amateur Radio Group HARGFEST at club rooms Lesmurdie.
(HARGFEST. ie, hamfest run by HARG)

Apr 18 WW "Amateur Radio: The first technology-based social network"
World Amateur Radio Day, April 18, 2011. and WIA Field Day.

May 27-29 WIA AGM Weekend in Darwin
secretary@wia.org.au

Jun 10-12 VK4 Far North and North Queensland Amateur Radio Gathering at
King Reef Resort Kurrimine Beach.

Jul 16 VK3 Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club Hamfest
Cranbourne Community Hall 10am (secretary@ggrec.org.au)

Jul 31 VK2/3 Riverina Field Day 10am at Lavington Scout Group Hall.

Aug 7 VK2 Lismore region - SARCFEST

Sep 23-28 R3 Region 3 ARDF Championship Bendigo VK3
http://r3.ardf.org.au/

Nov 20 vk5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society Hamfest
Goodwood Community Centre, Rosa St Goodwood at 0930.
Visit www.ahars.com.au for contact details

2012

15TH IARU REGION 3 CONFERENCE hosted by V.A.R.C. in Ho-Chi-Minh City, Vietnam.

JAN 23-FEB 17 YEAR 2012
World Radio Conference WRC-11 Geneva 23rd January TO 17th February 2012

MAY 3-18 2012 VK5
YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

THE FINAL FINAL

AGAIN we remind you only 1 week to go until Amateur Radio's Big Day out!

The Central Coast Amateur Radio Club Field day at Wyong will be
held on Sunday the 27th of February 2011 at Wyong Race course.
Gates will open at 6.30 am to allow entry and setup for Traders /
Exhibitors and Flea Marketeers.

The Trader/ Exhibitor areas will open to the public at 9am.
Admission is $12 for Adults with free admission for those under 17.

Amateur radio examinations will be conducted on the day by Brian
Kelly who can be contacted on 0418659043 for further information.

For help on the day, there will directions and information on the
local VHF repeater, 146.725MHz, with a 91.5 sub tone.

For further information and regular updates, please go to the Field
Day website, www.fieldday.org.au or email Central Coast Amateur
Radio Club - ccarc@ccarc.org.au

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http://lists.wia.org.au/mailman/listinfo/vk1wia-news

158. The ARRL Letter for February 17, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-18 03:31:42 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20110217235855.0F91F213CB@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 4848
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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==> + LEGISLATIVE NEWS: SPECTRUM MANAGEMENT BILL THREATENS AMATEUR
FREQUENCIES

On February 10, Representative Peter King (R-NY-3), Chairman of the
House Homeland Security Committee, introduced HR 607, the Broadband for
First Responders Act of 2011. The bill been referred to the House
Energy and Commerce Committee, which handles telecommunications
legislation. HR 607 addresses certain spectrum management issues,
including the creation and maintenance of a nationwide Public Safety
broadband network. As part of that network, the bill provides for the
allocation of the so-called "D-Block" of spectrum in the 700 MHz range
for Public Safety use.

The D-Block consists of two, 5 megahertz-wide segments of spectrum
(758-763 and 788-793 MHz) that became available when the FCC ended
analog television broadcasts in June 2009 and reallocated the 698-806
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MHz band for Public Safety and commercial broadband. It was anticipated that the D-Block would be auctioned for commercial use. There are several bills in Congress providing for the allocation of the D-Block for Public Safety use, and HR 607 is one of those. But HR 607 uniquely provides for the reallocation of other spectrum for auction to commercial users, in order to offset the loss of revenue that would occur as the result of the allocation of the D-Block to Public Safety instead of commercial auction. HR 607 lists the paired bands of 420-440 MHz and 450-470 MHz among the bands to be reallocated for commercial auction within 10 years of its passage. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/spectrum-management-bill-threatens-amateur-frequencies>.

==> + SPACEWEATHER : SUNSPOT 1158 PRODUCES LARGEST FLARE OF SOLAR CYCLE 24; CME HEADED TOWARD EARTH

Over the past few days, there has been a lot of activity on the Sun. On Sunday, February 13 at 1738 UTC, sunspot 1158 unleashed an M6.6-level blast and on Tuesday, February 15, the same sunspot unleashed an X-class flare, the strongest solar flare in more than four years. On Thursday, February 17, the solar flux index reached 114, the highest yet in Solar Cycle 24. It is expected to continue to be at least 100 for the next few days.

The source of this activity is growing rapidly. Sunspot 1158 is in the Sun's southern hemisphere, which has been lagging behind the northern hemisphere in activity for Solar Cycle 24. This active region is now more than 100,000 km wide, with at least a dozen Earth-sized dark cores in the group. More Earth-directed eruptions are likely.

In addition to flashing Earth with UV radiation, data from NASA's Solar Terrestrial Relations Observatory (STEREO) and its Solar Heliospheric Observatory (SOHO) show that the explosion also hurled a coronal mass ejection (CME) toward Earth. According to the Space Weather Prediction Center (SWPC), three CMEs are headed toward Earth. The last of the three seems to be the fastest and may catch both of the forerunners about mid- to late day on Thursday, February 17.

Solar activity is expected to be moderate with a chance for an isolated major flare through February 19. Sunspot group 1158 is expected to produce more M-class flares and still has the potential for producing an M5 or greater x-ray event. There is also a chance for isolated M-class activity from sunspot group 1161. Geomagnetic storms are possible when the CME hits the Earth's magnetic field, and auroras are possible. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/sunspot-1158-produces-largest-flare-of-solar-cycle-24-cme-headed-toward-earth>.

==> + AMATEUR RADIO IN SPACE: ARISSAT-1 DEPLOYMENT POSTPONED

According to the AMSAT News Service, the deployment of the ARISSat-1 satellite from the International Space Station -- previously scheduled

for Wednesday, February 16 -- has been postponed. The postponement was necessary because of changes in the work schedule for the February 16 space walk. Instead, ARISSat-1 deployment will be added to a spacewalk scheduled for July 2011.

When launched, ARISSat-1 will add another dimension to science classrooms worldwide, in addition to space communications for the Amateur Radio community. Unfortunately this delay will considerably narrow the window of opportunity for US school calendar activities, but may provide opportunities for summer learning activities.

The project is a cooperative effort between AMSAT, ARISS (Amateur Radio on the International Space Station,) RSC-Energia (the Russian space agency) and NASA. The design, development and construction of the satellite were done entirely by AMSAT volunteers. Original plans called for the satellite to be hosted inside an old Russian spacesuit. But when the suit became unavailable, the radio equipment was modified and refitted to a newly designed space frame and named ARISSat-1.

After it is deployed from the International Space Station, ARISSat-1 is expected to be operational in orbit for up to six months. For more on ARISSat-1, check out this article
<http://www.arrl.org/files/file/ARISS/Get%20Ready%20for%20ARISSat-1-QST%20Feb%202011.pdf>
from the February 2011 issue of QST.

==> + DAYTON HAMVENTION : ASTRONAUT DOUG WHEELOCK, KF5BOC, TO BE HONORED GUEST OF ARRL AND AMSAT

Doug Wheelock, KF5BOC, will be attending the 2011 ARRL EXPO - part of the Dayton Hamvention&#65533; -- as a special guest of the ARRL and AMSAT. While at Hamvention, Wheelock will share his experiences about using Amateur Radio in space. Wheelock spent six months on the ISS, seven weeks as ISS Commander; while on board the ISS, he, along with fellow astronaut Shannon Walker, KD5DXB, participated in the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) program. Together, the two made 22 ISS-to-school and ISS-to-camp QSOs. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/astronaut-doug-wheelock-kf5boc-to-be-guest-of-arrl-and-amsat-at-hamvention>.

==> + ROCKERS WITH HAM CONNECTION WIN BIG AT GRAMMYS

One of the biggest prizes handed out during the February 13 Grammy awards went to rockers Arcade Fire. Their highly acclaimed album The Suburbs was crowned Album of the Year. While Arcade Fire's win was a surprise -- facing competition from Eminem, Lady Antebellum, Lady Gaga and Katy Perry -- it wasn't totally unexpected, as The Suburbs dominated many critics' best-of lists of 2010.

Arcade Fire's Win Butler was visibly stunned as the group accepted their trophy and then quickly rushed to perform the last song of the night. Band members Win and Will Butler are the grandsons of the late

orchestra leader Alvino Rey, W6UK.

The song We Used to Wait from their winning album relates to communications and, during their concert performances of the song, the band displays images of Amateur Radio QSL cards. Arcade Fire was profiled in an article by ARRL Media and Public Relations Manager Allen Pitts, W1AGP, in the November 2010 issue of QST.

==> QEX -- THE MARCH/APRIL 2011 ISSUE

The March/April issue of QEX is coming soon, and it is full of theoretical and practical technical articles that you won't want to miss. QEX is the ARRL's "Forum for Communications Experimenters." Published bimonthly, it features technical articles, columns and other items of interest to radio amateurs and communications professionals. The mission of QEX is threefold: To provide a medium for the exchange of ideas and information among Amateur Radio experimenters; to document advanced technical work in the Amateur Radio field, and to support efforts to advance the state of the Amateur Radio art. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/qex-the-march-april-2011-issue>.

==> + ARRL ATLANTIC DIVISION TO HOST TWO WEBINARS IN FEBRUARY

Periodically, the ARRL's Atlantic Division hosts a "webinar" -- an interactive web-based seminar, designed to facilitate communication between a small number of presenters and a large remote audience using the Internet. During February, Atlantic Division Director Bill Edgar, N3LLR, will host two webinars for ARRL members, one on 501(c)(3) organizations and one on using Narrow Band Emergency Messaging Software (NBEMS) -- a set of programs used to send messages and files via Amateur Radio using an audio interface. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-atlantic-division-to-host-two-webinars-in-febr
uary>.

==> ARRL HEADQUARTERS TO CLOSE IN OBSERVANCE OF PRESIDENTS' DAY

ARRL Headquarters will be closed in observance of Presidents' Day on Monday, February 21. There will be no W1AW bulletin or code practice transmissions <http://www.arrl.org/w1aw-operating-schedule> that day. ARRL Headquarters will reopen Tuesday, February 22 at 8 AM Eastern Standard Time. We wish everyone a safe Presidents' Day holiday.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "The glory of the departing Sun piled up masses of gold and burning fire" Cook, K7RA, reports: A dramatic surge in solar activity is underway, with a level of sunspot numbers and solar flux not seen since 2005-2006. Tuesday's sunspot number of 100 has not been observed since April 6, 2006 when it was 105. On Wednesday the solar flux was 114.1, and the last time it was that high was September 15, 2005 when it was 119.4. The average daily sunspot numbers rose this week by more than 25 points to 69.9, and the average daily solar flux was up 20 points to 103.5. NOAA/USAF predicts solar flux at 105 on February

17-18, 100 on February 19-21, 98 on February 22-24 and 80 on February 25-28. The planetary A index is predicted at 18, 25 and 12 on February 17-19 and 5 on February 20-28. Look for more information on the ARRL website on Friday, February 18. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by Charles Dickens' The Old Curiosity Shop.

==> ARRL FIELD DAY: 2011 FIELD DAY PACKETS AVAILABLE

It's that time of year again -- time to start gearing up for ARRL Field Day, June 25-26, 2011! ARRL's flagship operating event -- always held the fourth full weekend in June -- brings together new and experienced hams for 24 hours of operating fun. Field Day packets are now available for download <http://www.arrl.org/files/file/Field-Day/2011/2011_FD_Packet.pdf>and include the complete rules (including a change for 2011), as well as other reference items such as forms, ARRL Section abbreviation list, entry submission instructions, a Frequently Asked Questions section, guidelines for getting bonus points, instructions for GOTA stations and a kit to publicize your event with the local press. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/2011-field-day-packet-now-available>.

==> THIS WEEK ON THE RADIO

This week:

- February 18 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- February 18-19 -- Russian PSK WW Contest
- February 19 -- Feld Hell Sprint
- February 19-20 -- ARRL International DX Contest (CW) <http://www.arrl.org/arrl-dx>, AWA Amplitude Modulation QSO Party
- February 21 -- Run for the Bacon QRP Contest
- February 23 -- SKCC Sprint

Next week:

- February 25 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- February 25-February 27 -- CQ 160 Meter Contest (SSB)
- February 26-27 -- Mississippi QSO Party; North American QSO Party (RTTY)
- February 27 -- High Speed Club CW Contest
- February 27-28 -- North Carolina QSO Party
- February 28 -- CQC Winter QSO Sprint
- March 1 -- AGCW YL-CW Party

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more info. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

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- February 18-19 -- ARRL Arizona State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arizona-state-convention-yuma-hamfest-emergency
-preparedness-show>,
Yuma, Arizona
- February 26 -- ARRL Vermont State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/vermont-state-convention-ham-con-1>,
Colchester, Vermont
- March 5 -- ARRL South Texas Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/south-texas-section-convention-greater-houston-
hamfest-1>,
Rosenberg, Texas; ARRL Alabama Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/alabama-section-convention-birminghamfest>,
Birmingham, Alabama
- March 11-12 -- ARRL Oklahoma Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/oklahoma-section-convention-green-country-hamfe
st>,
Claremore, Oklahoma
- March 12-13 -- ARRL North Carolina Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/north-carolina-section-convention-charlotte-ham
fest>,
Concord, North Carolina
- March 19 -- ARRL West Texas Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-texas-section-convention-56th-annual-st-pa
trick-s-day-hamfest>,
Midland, Texas; ARRL Nebraska State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/nebraska-state-convention-1>, Lincoln,
Nebraska
- March 25 -- ARRL Maine State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/maine-state-convention-1>, Lewiston,
Maine
- March 26 -- ARRL Maryland State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/maryland-state-convention-greater-baltimore-ham
boree-computerfest>,
Timonium, Maryland

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159. MMMonVHF Newsletter 2011-02-18

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-18 09:07:44 UTC
From: MMMonVHF News Mailer <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <201102180857.p1I8vNc4024582@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 4849
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our lastet NEWSLETTER of the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2011-02-18
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter one or two times per week.
For further detail please be so kind and refer at our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - welcome and enjoy ...

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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** NEW TEAM MEMBER at MMMonVHF **

We are happy to announce that we did find an experienced VHF
HAM in Lins, PA3CMC, who will start in february 2011 to join
the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHf and specially in the sections EME
and NEWS, parallel to Guido, DL8EBW. We are still open for
other proposals and looking for someone who is able to help
Ansgar, DG2KBC in programing and web design...
SOURCE: Guy, DL8EBW, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

** VK9NA Log and QSL Status **

The complete log for the January VK9NA 2m EME operation has now
been uploaded to the expedition's website. Stations are listed in
the order worked. The log includes information about QSLs received,
and in due course will show when QSLs are dispatched:
http://vk9na.com/emeqsls.html
SOURCE: tnx to Guy, VK2KU via MoonNet

** AURORA and SUN Activity **

IMPACT! A CME hit Earth's magnetic field at approximately 0100 UT
on Feb. 18th (8:00 pm EST on Feb. 17th). The impact was not as
strong as expected considering the cloud's X-class origin.
Nevertheless, geomagnetic storms are possible in the hours ahead!
SOURCE: www.SpaceWeather.com

! FINALLY ! The sun is active for us VHF people again!
BE PREPARED! Keep an eye at the VHF bands and if you have any
AURORA Observation, please do spot it via www.mmmonvhf.de/au.php

DO NOT FORGET TO SPOT THE QTF (direction) of your antennas...!
More about AURORA Propagation please follow our infos at:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/minibb/index.php?action=vtopic&forum=15
The VHF-DX-Portal will start to document the AURORA Openings
as you well know it from 144 MHz TROPO and 144 MHz ES Openings!
SOURCE: Peter, PA3BIY, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: HS0 ; Square: OK16 ; Start: 2011-02-06 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3638
MMMonVHF-DX-Blog: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/showblog.php?ca=HS0ZIL

LATEST NEWS from Karsten:
16/02 23:54 - [2] : Yesterday was another successful day with
another 20 QSO`s - 17/02 23:59 - [2] : After 2 successful days
i took a break and will come back next night! Perhaps manage
first HS-HS with Joe, HS2JFW?? Worked on 17. Feb: W7GJ N9LR F1AFJ
SOURCE: tnx to Karsten, DL2LAH/HS0ZIL direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: C56 ; Square: IK13 ; Start: 2011-02-11 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3654

LATEST EME NEWS and NEWSFLASH from the C56-Team, dated 2011-02-18:
EME: All goes very well, we are over 300 inits. This DXpedition is
already second best in history (QSO rate EME DXpedition). We are
over our own record set in Kenya (5Z4EME 2009) where we made 283 QSO
We are on our way to attack (our own) world record (340 inits from
3B8EME Mauritius 2010). It is getting difficult because we have
worked them almost all, but we do not give up hoping for a new
record. We did work 315 inits so far. Dgrd is very low. Promising
for this weekend when we also will do so efforts on 70cm EME. We
have a single yagi with no LNA. Last year we worked 7 inits in 90
minutes. We now will take some more time. Our goal is ten inits.
Maybe a little to high, but this is what we focus on!
Our log is online on http://www.emelogger.com/gambia and we daily
update photos or YouTube movies. See you tomorrow on our moonrise
on 144.117 MHz. C56EME always first. 73 from C56EME
SOURCE: tnx to Rene, PE1L, direct to MMMonVHF
Tips how to QSO with them: www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3654

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
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** VE1JF FN74cq QRV 6M EME for my moonsets--hope for company **

After solving several issues, I believe I am now QRV for EME during
my coming moonsets. This morning, I got up and found not a soul
responding on the ON4KST 50/70 EME site. Hoping some folks will be
interested in QSOing an initial, Iï¿½ll try again:
ï¿½18 Feb starting around 0904 by prearrangement or 0950-1110
ï¿½19 Feb starting around 0931 by prearrangement or 1018-1138
ï¿½20 Feb starting around 0953 by prearrangement or 1043-1205
The difference in the prearrangement vs. later start is that the
later starts are when my moon is below 12o, when I seem to get the
best echoes. The earlier times are 20o and I include them because
the difference might be important to some potential QSOs.
Skeds would be welcome, but if you happen to be on during those
times you can see if Iï¿½m checked into ON4KST. At some point, I will
also be open to some moonrises, but wonï¿½t have the saltwater
working for me. With the wx here, the rotator is periodically
freezing in place or jamming at irrelevant azimuths, and I donï¿½t
want to play much with it until I have made some good progress with
the moonsets. SOURCE: Jim, VE1JF via Magic Band EME

** EG8, CANARY ISLANDS (Special Event) **

Look for special event station EG8ISS to be on the air between
February 12th and March 11th, from Las Palmas, Gran Canaria
(AF-004, DIE S-005, WLOTA L 0969). Activity is to celebrate/
publicize the first ARISS (International Space Station) contact
with one of the "Institute for Technological Development and
Innovation in Communications" (IDeTIC) facilities on campus. The
special event station will be on the HF bands, 40-10 meters, using
CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK31 and SSTV. Also, activities are planned for VHF
(2m FM local and R7 repeater) and the satellites (AO-27, SO-50,
AO-51 and VO-52). There is a special QSL card designed for this
event that will be automatically mailed to your QRZ.com address.
Please, keep in mind that they aren't highly skilled radio
operators, so be patient if there are any pileups. More info is
available on the QRZ.com under EG8ISS. A Twitter page is also
available at: http://twitter.com/eg8iss
SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #998

** PJ2, CURACAO, HF and 50 MHz Acivity **

Operators Hawa/DK9KX, Dieter/DJ9ON and Jan/DJ8NK will operate from
Curacao (SA-099, WLOTA LH-0942) between June 26th and July 7th.
They will have a strongly emphasis on 6 meters, but the HF bands
will also be used on CW, SSB and RTTY. Callsign and further info
will be published soon. SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #998

** IOTA JI6 Activity **

TAKE JI3DST plans to visit to Kuchino-shima Is., Tokara Archipelago
(AS-049) between 0600 Mar.11 and 0000UTC, Mar 20,2011. He is active
as JI3DST/JI6 through 160 to 6m SSB,CW,FM,RTTY and PSK31. This time
he will have two installation locations on either side of voclanic
edge. Loc.A is installed for NA,SA,JA,other areas on 40-6m, every
23-0300 and 04-0600UTC. Loc.B,for EU,AF,JA,other areas on 160-6m
,every 08-2200UTC. QSL to JI3DST/JI6 via the BURO to JI3DST(QRZ.com)
e-mail to JI3DST(AT)jarl.com
SOURCE: TAKA 73,DE JR3TVH via Frank, DL8YHR to MMMonVHF

** PJ7, SINT MAARTEN HF and 50 MHz Acivity **

The PJ7X team is pleased to announce that they will be operating
from Sint Maarten (NA-105), one of the newest entities on the DXCC
list, for 12 days in October and November 2011. The international
team consists of the following experienced operators with 187 years
of amateur radio involvement among them: Jan Harders, DJ8NK
Kan Mizoguchi, JA1BK Paul Granger, F6EXV Rich Gelber, K2WR
They will arrive in St. Maarten on October 26th, and depart on
November 9th. This time span includes the CQWW DX SSB Contest
(October 29-30th), which they will enter in the Multi-2 category.
Their intention is to keep 2 stations on the air for 24 hours a day
to the extent possible. During peak periods, they may be able to
run a third station. Emphasis will be on CW and SSB, but they will
also operate RTTY as much as possible. The operation will include
all bands from 80-10 meters, including the 30/17/12 meter bands,
but not including 60 meters. Also, they will not be operating on
160 meters due to space limitations at their operating location,
nor on 6 meters. The primary callsign used will be PJ7X. Other
callsigns will be PJ7NK and PJ7J. The PJ7J callsign will be
reserved for use on 75 and 80 meters, and a principal goal of this
operation will be to make as many QSOs as possible with Europe and
Japan on this band. QSL information is: PJ7X via F6EXV, PJ7NK via
DJ8NK, PJ7J via JA1BK Internet log checking, updated daily, is
planned. All logs will be uploaded to "Logbook of the World" a few
months after completion of the operation. Website is coming soon!
They hope to fill in lots of band/modes slots for those who need
them and even provide an all-time new one for some.
SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #998

** RADIO EXPEDITION SIERRA LEONE 2011 (IK38JK) **

A hospital ship - helping the poorest - radio amateur volunteers
- supporting a Mercy Ships project
In close cooporation between the DAGOE Foundation, Mercy Ships,
4 Dutch and 1 Liberian radio amateur will run a Radio DXpedition
from Sierra Leone. We will be on-site in Freetown between March

15th and April 4th using the amateur radio callsign 9L5MS.
They will only have 500w and a 5 element Tonna antenna for 6m, but
are planning to be active calling CQ during their moonsets at the
beginning of their trip. The positive thing is that they are going
arrive there during period of the best EME cndx for March. More
information will be made available as the DXpedition approaches.
SOURCE: Lance, W7GJ via Magic Band EME

** SV9, Crete qrv on HF and 50 MHz **

Willi, DJ7RJ, will once again be active as SV9/DJ7RJ from the island
of Crete (IOTA EU-015, GIOTA KRS-005, MIA MGC-005, WLOTA 1400, Grid
Loc. KM25) between 24th of February and 15th of March 2011. QRV on
160-6 metres, using CW and SSB. He prefers the lower bands. QSL via
home call, bureau or direct.
SOURCE: [OPDX Bulletin] via ICPO Bulletin (18-25 February 2011)

** New DXCC entity? South Sudan **

As stated earlier there was a referendum held in Sudan to find
out whether the south of the country should become an own country.
With an overwhelming majority of more than 99 % the population
voted for the separation of the south. South Sudan was an own DXCC
counter before and may find its way onto the DXCC Entity List again
soon. More information about the referendum can be found online at:
http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-africa-12201063 - SOURCE: DXNL 1714

>From the WebPage:
Welcome to SOUTHERN SUDAN 2011 DXpedition web site
(http://www.dxfriends.com/SouthernSudan2011/index.php) where we
will give you more information about our DXpedition.
The Intrepid-DX Group and the DX Friends have combined efforts to
planning a multi-national DXpedition to Southern Sudan to celebrate
the birth of a new country. it will take place over twenty days in
july, 2011. The Intrepid-DX Group is the group which brought you
the 2010 YI9PSE, IRAQ DXpedition. The DX Friends have brought you
the 2006 S01R DXpedition to Western Sahara, the 2008 DXpedition to
Rwanda as 9X0R, the 2009 DXpedition to Western Sahara as S04R, the
2010 DXpedition to Palestine as E4X and the 2010 DXpedition to San
Marino as T70A. It is hoped that the callsign ST0?DX will be issued
this next week following our meeting with the Government of
Southern Sudan Mission in America. As with previous DXpeditions,
this will be a major effort, with target of more than 150,000 QSOs.
SOURCE: http://www.dxfriends.com/SouthernSudan2011/index.php & DXNL

** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
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HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats
like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USER who did send us info and News **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/kontact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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160. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1749 - February 18 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-18 11:12:16 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20110218100006.7A83433C37@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4850
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1749 - February 18 2011

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1749 with a release date of
Friday, February 18, 2011 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1. The following is a

Q-S-T. The deployment of ARISSAT One is delayed until this summer but
a test from inside the I-S-S shows that the bird should perform
flawlessly. Also, the Sun wakes up with a big flare on February 13th,
the United States recognizes reciprocal C-E-P-T licensing with
Montenegro, lots of enforcement news from the FCC and a cockroach may
soon be headed to the edge of space. Find out the details on Amateur
Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1749 coming your way right now.

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: ARISSAT-1 DEPLOYMET DELYED UNTIL JULY

A delay until this summer for the deployment of ARISSAT One from the
International Space Station. This as the Russian space station manager
RSC Energia announces the delay based on the work schedule of the
Cosmonauts and Astronauts during the upcoming space walk otherwise
known as an Extra Vehicular Activity or E-V-A.

On Wednesday, February 9th NASA had announced that E-V-A number 28 will
be broadcast live on NASA TV, starting at 1245 UTC on February 16th.
Included in the schedule posted by NASA was the deployment of ARISSAT
One.

On Thursday, February 10th Energia decided to have the crew do a
checkout of ARISSAT One to make certain that it had survived the trip
up on board the re-supply cargo flight that had carried it to its
temporary home on the I-S.S.. This test was not an event that was
previously scheduled and there was no public announcement of it made.
Instead, a message was sent to the I-S-S- crew to connect ARISSAT to
one of the external ham radio antennas, to turn it on and listen to it
on the Kenwood dual-bander normally used for ARISS school contacts.
During the test, Energia decided to keep the ARISSAT transmitter on
through to the next day after with the crew reported back that the
satellite was functioning flawlessly and it was ready to go off into
space on its own.

But that was not to be. On Friday, February 11th Energia management
announced that the deployment of the ARISSAT One satellite had been
removed from the schedule of events for E-V-A 28. This Energia said
was due to changes in the tasks associated with the work scheduled to

be performed during this spacewalk. Subsequently, Energia informed NASA that deployment of ARISSAT One will be added to E-V-A number 29. It's currently scheduled for sometime this coming July.

But the good news in all this is that ARISSAT One will likely work exactly as it was designed to once deployed on-orbit. Hams on the ground who heard ARISSAT One during the test period said its signal was definitely loud and clear.

(ANS, ARISSAT)

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PROPAGATION: EARTH-DIRECTED SOLAR FLARE COMES OUR WAY

Has Mother Nature finally heard the prayers of hams worldwide? This may be the case as Old Sol unleashed Sunspot number 1158 at 17:58 UTC on Sunday, February 13th.

Sunspot 1158 is described as the strongest solar flare of the year so far. It was an M6.6-category blast. The eruption produced a loud blast of radio waves heard in shortwave receivers around the dayside of our Eaeth. NASA's Solar Dynamics Observatory recorded the intense flash as being of extreme ultraviolet radiation.

Preliminary data from the STEREO-A and SOHO observatories in space agree that the explosion produced a fast but not particularly bright coronal mass ejection. The actual cloud was predicted to hit our planets magnetic field on or about February 15th and held the potential to cause high latitude auroral displays.

At its initial peak also on February 15th the active region of this solar eruption was more than 100,000 km wide with at least a dozen Earth-sized dark cores scattered beneath its unstable magnetic canopy.

(AF4JF, VHF Reflector)

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RADIO LAW: USA RECOGNIZES MONTENEGRO UNDER CEPT LICENSE

The FCC has added Montenegro as the latest nation that the United States recognizes in accord with the C-E-P-T reciprocal agreement for radio amateurs. Under the compact, US citizens who hold an FCC-issued General, Advanced or Amateur Extra class Amateur Radio licenses may now operate in Montenegro, as well as the other countries covered by the European Conference of Postal and Telecommunications Administrations This, subject to the regulations in force in the country visited, to operate in those countries. US amateurs with a General class license will be granted CEPT Novice Radio Amateur License privileges while those holding an Advanced or Amateur Extra class license will be granted CEPT Radio Amateur License privileges.

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BREAKING DX NEWS: SABLE ISLNAND TEAM HOPES MARCH 7 - 15 WILL BE A

CHARM

The C Y Zero DXpedition team has set March 7th to the 15th as its target schedule to be on the air from Sable Island.

The operators plan to travel to Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada on 5 March to take care of final logistics details in preparation for the charter flight to Sable on the 7th. The team says that it has maximized its personal schedules to be as flexible as possible to adapt to any potential weather delays. One change in operators has K8LEE replacing WA4DAN who had to withdraw due to business commitments.

As most listeners know, this will be the third try to make it to Sable with the previous attempts put on hold due to long term weather delays. The team leaders say that even weather will always be impossible to predict, they have been encouraged by several successful supply flights to Sable in the past month. Should they experience yet another weather delay, they hope to stay in Halifax in anticipation that the delay with be short term rather than an extensive one. In other words they will remain ready to go on a day-to-day basis for a period of time as the weather permits.

The website will be updated periodically as to the status and any potential impact on the planned activation date. Its in cyberspace at www.cy0dxpedition.com. We will have more DX news at the end of this week's Amateur Radio Newsline report.

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the K-6-Oh-X repeater serving the Antelope Valley in Southern California.

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC ENORCEMENT BUREAU AGREES TO POSTPONE K1MAN LICENSE RENEWAL HEARING

The FCC's Enforcement Bureau has agreed with Glenn Baxter, K1MAN, that the hearing on his license renewal should not go forward until the civil action to collect a $21,000 fine against the Maine radio amateur has been adjudicated.

In her February 10th filing to Chief Administrative Law Judge Richard Sippel, Enforcement Bureau Chief Michelle Ellison stated that the Bureau agrees with K1MAN that the proceeding in the matter of Baxter's pending license renewal should not be scheduled until the matter of the federal litigation to collect the fine has concluded.

She did however include one proviso. This being that the discovery aspect of the case continue per its schedule to provide for judicial economy and efficiency. Ellison says that this will permit the parties to move to trial as quickly as possible after a final decision in the federal collection action is reached.

(FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: $25000 NAL ISSUED TO UTAH U-NII OPERATOR

The FCC has issued a $25,000 Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture and Order to Utah Broadband who the regulatory agency clams to be the operator of two Unlicensed National Information Infrastructure or U-NII transmission systems in Salt Lake City, Utah. This by operating intentional radiators not in accordance with Part 15 of the Rules and the devices Equipment Authorization.

In its February 11th release the FCC says that on October 5, 2010, FCC agents from the Enforcement Bureau's Denver and San Diego Offices, along with FAA personnel, used direction-finding techniques to locate emissions on the frequencies 5580 and 5640 MHz. On the following day, FCC and FAA personnel used those same techniques to confirm that the identified interference resulted from radio emissions emanating from a pair of transmission systems located on the rooftop of the Brody Chemical Building in Salt Lake City.

The FCC agents inspected the systems which were operated by Utah Broadband. Both U-NII systems utilized the modular transceiver model XtremeRange5, an intentional radiator manufactured by Ubiquiti Networks, Inc. The FCC Equipment Authorization for the Ubiquiti XtremeRange5 transceiver limits the device to operations within a frequency range of 5745 MHz to 5825 MHz. During the inspection the FCC agents observed that both were operating out of band. The FCC agents also observed, and Utah Broadband personnel acknowledged, that the required frequency assurance functionality of each transceiver was disabled. During the inspection, Utah Broadband adjusted the devices' operating frequencies to end any interference they were causing.

In assessing the $25,000 N-A-L the FCC says that based on the evidence before it the agency finds that Utah Broadband apparently willfully and repeatedly violated sections 301 and 302(b) of the Act, and sections 15.1(b) and 15.1(c) of the FCC's Rules, by operating intentional radiators in a manner not in compliance with the Part 15 Rules. Also doing so in a manner inconsistent with their Equipment Authorization and, consequently, without authorization.

Utah Broadband was given the customary 30 days to pay the N-A-L or to file an appeal.

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC ISSUES $10000 NAL TO ALLEGED NJ UNLICENSED STATION

And the FCC has also issued a $10,000 Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture to one Bernabe Moreno. This, for his alleged operation of an unlicensed radio transmitter on the frequency 102.3 MHz in Passaic, New Jersey.

On April 3 and April 7, 2010, in response to a complaint, agents of the Enforcement Bureau's New York Office used mobile direction-finding techniques to monitor the frequency 102.3 MHz in Passaic and determined the source of the transmissions to be a radio station operating from a building located on Passaic's Monroe Street. The agents observed an FM broadcast antenna on the roof of the building and a coaxial cable going from the antenna on the roof to the second floor of the building. The agents subsequently took field strength measurements and determined that the signals being broadcast exceeded the limits for operation under Part 15 of the Commission's rules and therefore required a license. A review of the Commission's records revealed no evidence of a Commission authorization for operation of a radio station on 102.3 MHz in the Passaic, New Jersey area.

On April 7, 2010, the agents returned to the building to conduct an inspection of the radio station and knocked on the door where they believed the station was located. The person who answered the door identified himself as Bernabe Moreno.

Moreno told the agents that he owns and operates the station on 102.3 MHz at this location. The agents observed that the station was active at the time of the inspection until Mr. Moreno turned off the transmitter at the agents' request. The agents then verbally warned Moreno about the consequences of continued operation of an unlicensed radio station and provided him with a written Notice of Unlicensed Operation, requiring him to permanently cease operation.

Now in its follow-up, the FCC has issued the $10,000 Notice of Apparent Liability to Moreno for operating the unlicensed station. Moreno was given the usual 30 days to pay or to file an appeal.

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HAM HAPPENININGS: VISALIA DX CONVENTION TOP BAND DINNER

Turning to the ham radio social calendar, the 2011 Top-Band Dinner Banquet at the Visalia DX Convention is now open for reservations. This year's event will take place on Friday, April 15th, at 6:30 PM at the Holiday Inn, Visalia, California. This years program will be a presentation titled The Low Bands from VP8ORK South Orkneys. The cost is $37 per person. If you wish to attend, please send an E-mail with the number of reservations you would like along with your call, name and e-mail to wb6rse (at) mac (dot) com.

(WB6RSE)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: IRTS AGM AND RALLYE IN LIMERICK MARCH 26-27

The Irish Radio Transmitting Society's Annual General Meeting weekend, including the Annual Dinner and Rally will be held on Saturday March 26th and Sunday March 27th. The event will be hosted by the Limerick Radio Club. The venue is the Radisson Blu Hotel in the city of Limerick. For more information contact, Ger McNamara EI4GXB by e-mail to ei4gxb (at) gmail (dot) com. And for those of you not aware, in Europe a rally is the same as a convention or large hamfest here in the USA.

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: GEORGE TRANOS, N2GA, NAMED NEW CQ MAGZINE CONTEST EDITOR

Some names in the news. First up is George Tranos, N2GA, of Long Island, New York, who has been named the new Contesting Editor of CQ Amateur Radio magazine.

George Tranos comes to this position with over two decades of contesting experience in a variety of station settings, and has several top scores to his credit. Both as a single operator and as part of contesting teams. He has operated extensively from the Caribbean as well as from his home station in New York. He has been also been a referee at three World Radio Teamsport Championship competitions.

Professionally, N2GA is president of a software and management consulting firm, vice president of a school for professional motorcycle riders, and a freelance journalist. He is married to Diane Ortiz, K2DO, an accomplished contester herself and a former columnist for CQ Contest magazine during the 1990s.

Tranos succeeds John Dorr, K1AR, who stepped down after writing the magazine's contesting column for nearly 22 years. George Tranos' first column will appear in the March 2011 issue of CQ.
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NAMES IN THE NEWS: WEATHER BRAINS AT AGE 5

And a well done to Alabama Meteorologist James Spann, W-Oh-4-W and the crew at Weather Brains. This, as the on-line show about the weather celebrates its 5th anniversary this month.

For those of you who never heard of Weather Brains, this is a weekly audio presentation delivered over the Internet that says it unites weather geeks worldwide. According to its website, the presenters do their best to cover the world of weather in a fun way, and believe that they have the best weather show on the web.

Each show generally runs 60 to 80 minutes. They are recorded on Monday nights and are usually available about midnight Monday nights Eastern Time. So far, W-Oh-4-W and his Weather Brains associates have produced over 200 shows and have never missed a week since the day they started.

You can hear a new show each week on-line at www dot weatherbrains dot com. And we add our own congratulations to the crew at Weather Brains

on a job well done.

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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WORLDBEAT: NORWAY TO END ANLOG FM BRODCASTING IN 2017

The Norwegian Government has announced plans that would see both the nations national public and commercial radio services cease all analog FM broadcasts in 2017. A report in Radioworld Online quotes a Norwegian government press release as saying that the nation's radio industry wants an end of analog FM and the government is now taking active steps to facilitate a transition to digital radio and to take care of listeners' interests. More is on-line at www (dot) rwonline (dot)com/article/113286.

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WOLDBEAT: COMMEMORATING RADIO PRAGUE

Mike Barraclough reports that a special broadcast commemorating the end of Short Wave transmissions from Radio Prague is now available online. Included are two recordings from 1937 and two from 1968 along with an interview with Oldrich Cip, now head of the High Frequency Co-ordination Committee. Back in the 1960's he hosted the stations DX program in the 1960's using the stage name of Peter Skala. Also included are contributions from listeners. The show is on line at tinyurl.com/48pn5qd .

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WORLDBEAT: NEW DUTCH CONTEST CLUB FORMED

A new Dutch amateur radio contest group has been born and located in the northwest part of the Noord-Holland Province. Its call sign is PA6NH with PA2PAC, PA3FUN, PA7TWO, PH9HB, PD1AIQ and PE1OPK as the charter members. Currently, their station setup consists of surplus Harris 590 receivers and Telefunken S2525 amplifiers, with Yaesu and ICOM equipment as backup. This new radiosporting team plans to participate in all the major contests as they come along. As a general rule, all QSOs will be uploaded electronically to the Logbook Of The World. The group invites you to checkout the PA6NH pictures on QRZ.com.

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ON THE AIR: COMMEMORARTING THE LAST SWISS MEDIUM WAVE TRANSMITTER

On the air, members of Switzerland's Rav Radio Amateurs of Vaudios whose regular club call sign is HB9MM will activate the special callsign HE3OM from the town of Sottens during the month of February. Sottens is a small village where the last medium wave transmitter active in Switzerland was located. It ceased operation on December 31st, 2010.

Permission has now been granted to the club to use the stations two giant antennas for amateur radio purposes. The tallest is 188 meters high, and is being used on the High Frequency bands, especially the lower frequencies such as 160 and 80 meters. The somewhat smaller mast at 125 meters in height is connected to the VLF station transmitting on the 137 kHz amateur band.

QSL cards go to HE3OM via HB9TOB. For more details, see www (dot) hb9mm (dot) com/sottens

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DX

In DX, the X-F-4 Revillagigedo DXpediton has been assigned callsign 4A4A. A team of 9 operators will take to the air from Isla Socorro March 4th to the 19th on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and some digital modes. A possibility of 6 meters was also mentioned. More on line at www (dot) revillagigedo2011 (dot) com

ARRL DXCC Manager Bill Moore, NC1L, reports that the 9X0SP 2010 DXpedition to Rwanda has been approved for DXCC credit. If you have cards that were recently rejected for this operation, please send an e-mail to the ARRL DXCC Desk. Moore says that once your record is updated, results will appear in Logbook of The World accounts or in the live, daily DXCC Standing.

VK8NSB, VK8FNCY, 9M6DXX, 9M6XRO and MW0JRX will be operating from TImor-Leste in East Timor between September 16th and the 26th. The precise location will be Atauro Island, which is about 30 kilometers north of the capital, Dili. The group says that it is working closely with the Timor-Leste licensing authority and the DXpedition callsign will be announced soon. They will have three stations on all bands 10 - 160m using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL information will be announced in a future news release.

Lastly, VK3FY is reporting on DX-World.Net he is hoping that the weather improves in the South China Seas so that he and his group can board the ship which will take four operators to Pag-Asa in the Spratly Islands. He notes that as this is a scouting trip, operating time on the island will be limited to a few hours to a maximum of three days. The time on the island will be utilized in taking pictures of prospective sites and time permitting getting D-X-Zero-D-X on the air

as a prelude to the planned April operation. QSL for this trip will be as per D-X-Zero-D-X via N-2-O-O.

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THAT FINL ITEM: VK CLUBS TO LUNCH COCKROCH TO NEAR SPACE

And finally this week, two clubs down-under are joining forces to send a cockroach to the edge of space in a balloon aptly named Loki One. Yes, we said a cockroach as in those kind of disgusting bugs that nobody wants to find in their homes. Here's the rest of the story.

Norse mythology claims that Loki is the great mischief-maker. It's also the name of the edge of space balloon experiment that the Tamworth Radio Club members and Tamworth Oxley Scout members will be launching in the coming weeks.

The payload of Loki-1 includes APRS equipment for tracking and flight data; a camera set to take photo's at 1 minute intervals; sensors to record temp and radiation, some paper aircraft that will be dropped from a height of approx. 30 kilometres with information on them about the scout group and, of coarse, the previously mentioned cockroach.

The Tamworth radio club has installed 7 ground stations around the North West and New England regions of New South Wales. These will be used to receive APRS data from Loki-1 then transfer it to the internet for live tracking via the APRS network. It is expected that Loki-1 will reach an altitude of about 100,000 feet giving the craft a radio horizon of 700 kilometers.

As airspace is heavily regulated regarding its use, the flight planners say that negotiations are well in hand with Australia's airspace regulator the Civil Aviation Safety Authority as well as air traffic controllers. This, regarding a host of regulations that need to be complied with regarding the flight of the balloon through controlled air space which in Australia starts at various altitudes above ground depending on where you are, and extends right straight up to 60,000 feet. Most civilian jet aircraft cruise at an altitude between 25,000 and 40,000 feet. Non compliance with all the necessary regulations can carry severe penalties.

As to the welfare of the cockroach? Well nothing has been said if it will fly in a pressurized compartment or just have to take its chances as the balloon makes its way to the edge of space and back down to the ground. And at airtime there has not been any outcry of inhumane treatment of the bug from the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Cockroaches, if such a group even exists.

Up to date information on this high altitude balloon flight can be found on Tamworth Radio Club's web site under the topic of projects. It's in cyberspace at www.trci.org.au (Southgate, VK2BOZ and VK2YGV)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Don Wilbanks, AE5DW saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-18 16:00:12 UTC
From: Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk
Message-ID: <20110218160003.E768A33C51@panix2.panix.com>
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Source record: 4752
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At 2134GMT on 13 February, Joe, VO1NA managed a full beacon decode from Graham, G0NBD on 502kHz using the ROS mode. It is believed this was the first live data mode decoded over the Atlantic on this band. The signal to noise ranged from -23 to -27dB, giving a 100% decode of the test message. The transmission was sent using MF-7 with an estimated ERP of 1 watt from a 35ft top loaded vertical. ROS mode did a good job of resolving the signals despite deep and rapid QSB over the 3500km path. At just over a year old the ROS data mode is relatively new and uses an adaptation of multiple frequency shift keying and forward error correction to help make successful contacts under very difficult band conditions. The software for the mode is completely free and more information can be found via the ROS website, http://rosmodem.wordpress.com.

Voice of Russia was first heard on 7200kHz on 1 February 2011 and reported to the IARU Monitoring System by Dick, PA0GRU. Ulrich, DJ9KR from the IARU Monitoring System in Region 1 reported the station on 2 February to the German Telecoms authorities. Following correspondence with the Russian General Radiofrequency Centre he was able to demonstrate the interference. Subsequently, Voice of Russia moved to 7265kHz.

National Science & Engineering Week will take place between 11 and 20 March. As part of this event, Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is providing hands-on experience of amateur radio at a local school as well as to the community at large. On Saturday 12 March between 10am and 4pm the Club will be at Tapton School. They plan to install two temporary radio stations and aerials and put the school on the air for the day using the club callsign GX3RCM/P. They will be working alongside the Sheffield Astronomical Society who have held an annual exhibition and demonstration at the school for the past few years. The event is open to all members of the public.

According to the AMSAT News Service, the deployment of the ARISSat-1 satellite from the International Space Station, previously scheduled for Wednesday 16 February, has been postponed. The delay was necessary because of changes in the work schedule for the February 16 space walk. Instead, ARISSat-1 deployment will be added to a space walk scheduled for July 2011.

The United Kingdom Six Metre Group (UKSMG) has launched an initiative initially to UK radio clubs and societies, to keep them informed regarding operating on 50MHz. A bi-monthly newsletter will be e-mailed to club secretaries who have registered to receive it. The newsletter will contain a wide variety of information including practical operating tips. Much will be specifically targeted at the large number of operators who have not previously experienced the enhanced F2 propagation expected during the sun spot cycle peak in 2012. Any club secretaries who have not already registered to receive the newsletter can do so at www.uksmg.org/phplist. The first Douglas Byrne Marconi Lecture, to be delivered by Professor Peter Scott from the University of Reading, will be held at the Museum of the History of Science, Broad Street, Oxford, on Tuesday 1 March at 5.30 to 6.30pm. The subject of the lecture will be, `The sources of competitive advantage and innovation in the interwar British radio industry'. Entrance is free to the lecture and the reception following in the Bodleian Library. For further information, e-mail bookcentre@bodleian.ox.ac.uk. The Fellowship was established to recognise the contribution made by Douglas Byrne, G3KPO to radio history as the Founder of the Wireless Museum on the Isle of Wight.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

There are no rallies this weekend.

On 27 February. Rainham Radio Rally will take place at Rainham School for Girls, Derwent Way, Rainham, Gillingham, Kent ME8 0BX. Doors open at 10 am. More details from Trevor, G6YLW, 0771 7678 795.

Also on 27 February, Swansea ARS Rally will be held at Court Herbert Sports Centre, Neath Abbey, Neath SA10 7BE. Doors open at 10.30am and entry is £2 with free car parking. There will be trade stands and a Bring & Buy along with special interest groups. Details from Roger, GW4HSH, on 01792 404422.

Now for the news of special events

North Cork Radio Group will be activating the call EI1NC/P on 20 February from the Blackrock Castle Observatory from 1000 to 1700UTC. The venue is a 16th century Castle located 4km from the heart of Cork city on the banks of the river Lee. The Castle has seen many uses in its long history and now houses a cutting edge space observation post.

Members of the Coventry Amateur Radio Society will be activating the Birth of Radar Memorial site at Litchborourgh on 26 February. They will sign GB4WWR, standing for Watson Wilkins Radar. They chose the callsign because Wilkins and Watson-Watt worked on the project. The station will

be using SSB on the bands 80m through to 20m. Further information can be obtained from Brian, G8GMU on 07801 862 686 or by e-mail to brlean@freenetname.co.uk.

EG8ISS will be on the air until 11 March from Las Palmas in Gran Canaria, which is IOTA reference AF-004. Activity is to celebrate the first ARISS contact with one of the Institute for Technological Development and Innovation in Communications facilities on campus. The special event station will be on the HF bands, from 10 to 40m using CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK31 and SSTV. Activities are also planned for VHF and the satellites AO-27, SO-50, AO-51 and VO-52. There is a special QSL card for this event that will be automatically mailed to your QRZ.com address. More info is available on QRZ.com under EG8ISS.

And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

Phil, G3SWH and Jim, G3RTE plan to operate from the West Island in the Cocos Islands group from 22 February to 5 March. They will be active as VK9C/G6AY on 10 through to 80m using CW only. The Cocos (Keeling) Islands, IOTA reference OC-003, is ranked number 75 worldwide. You can QSL VK9C/G6AY via G3SWH either direct with an SAE and adequate return postage, via Phil's website for a bureau reply or via the bureau. Stan, VP5/AC8W, Jim, VP5/KB8TXZ and Lee, VP5/N8LJ are working from Providenciales Island in the Turks and Caicos Islands until 23 February. QSL via their home callsigns, either via the bureau or direct.

Ted, FO/K8AQM, will activate Moorea Island, which is IOTA reference OC-046, until 25 February. He will be operating holiday style with 100 watts on 20 and 30m. QSL via homecall either via the bureau, direct or using LogBook of the World.

Buenos Aires Province Group LU1EEZ/D and LU7CAW/D will be operating from Martin Garcia Island, which is IOTA reference SA-055 from 23 to 28 February. QSL LU1EEZ direct, see QRZ.com for details and for LU7CAW you can QSL via the bureau.

G3TBK will be re-activating J88DR on St Vincent until 14 March. Operation will be on all HF Bands using CW, SSB and RTTY. Entries are planned in the RSGB Commonwealth Contest and the ARRL International DX Contests, both CW and SSB legs. QSLs as usual to G3TBK either direct or through the RSGB Bureau. Logs will be uploaded daily to Clublog.

Dennis, WA2USA plans to be active as WA2USA/4 from St George Island, which is IOTA reference NA-085, until 3 March. He will be operating on 10 to 160m using RTTY, CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign either direct or via the bureau.

Now the contest news

On 22 February the 50MHz UK Activity Contest takes place between 2000 and 2230UTC. Using all modes on the band the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

Also on 22 February, the SHF UK Activity Contest takes place at the same time, 2000 to 2230UTC. Using bands between 2.3 and 10GHz and all modes, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The 80m Club Championships CW leg takes place on 24 February from 2000 to 2130UTC. The exchange is signal report and serial number.

On 25 to 27 February the CQ WW 160m SSB Contest takes place between 2200 and 2200. The exchange is signal report and CQ Zone.

The SSB leg of the REF Contest is on 26 to 27 February from 0600 to 1800UTC. Work French stations only, send a report and serial number, and expect to receive a report and a Department code (or prefix from French overseas territories). There are no separate categories for different power levels and only a few entry categories. Single-op stations can enter single- or multi-band, while multi-op stations can make a single- transmitter all-band entry only.

On 27 February the 70MHz Cumulative Contest takes place from 1000 to 1200UTC. Using all modes the exchange is Signal report, serial number and locator. And now the solar factual data for the period from the 7th to the 13th of February, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on the 14th of February.

On the 25th of October 2006 NASA launched two identical spacecraft to observe the Sun. This became known as the STEREO mission. Since then they have travelled to each side of the Sun. On the 6th of February they were separated by 180 degrees. That allowed us for the very first time to view the entire Sun. STEREO is a key addition to the fleet of space weather detection satellites and is a major breakthrough in space weather forecasting, one that as been used in compiling this report and will continue to do so.

Solar activity increased twice to moderate levels when a M1 solar flare occurred on the 9th and a M6 on the 13th. Interestingly, both these M class flares took place from different sunspot groups. The first, from region 1153 as it was rotating out of view over the west limb. The second, from a region that emerged on the solar disc on the 11th and grew rapidly in size and magnetic complexity and by the 13th had produced the M6 flare. In total 12 C class solar flares took place. Only two days saw solar activity at very low levels which were the 8th and the 11th, the remaining days activity was low. Solar flux levels increased from 82 units on the 7th to 107 by the 13th. That's the highest daily figure since the 9th of July 2005. The average was 92 units, the highest weekly average going back to December 2006. The 90 day solar flux average on the 13th was 84. That's one unit up on last week. X-ray flux levels increased from A5.6 units on the 7th to B4.4 by the 13th and the average was B1.1 units. Geomagnetic activity was quiet every day. The highest daily Ap index was only 4 units that occurred on three days. The average was Ap 3 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds decline from 550 kilometres per second on the 7th to 320 by the 13th. Particle densities were low throughout the period. Bz never varied more than minus and plus 7 nanoTeslas, that

is what we would expect with quiet geomagnetic activity.

And now the solar forecast. Around midweek an active region is expected to rotate back into view. As this group rotated out of sight around the 10th of February it produced several C class and a M class solar flare. Therefore, solar activity could increase later in the week. Solar flux levels could be around the high 80s later in the week. Geomagnetic activity is expected to be quiet every day. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 22MHz for the south and 19MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be about 8MHz. Paths this week to South Africa should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 28MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 23MHz. The best time to try the path will be between a couple of hours either side of midday.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your

transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS On Sunday 20 February Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society is taking part in Thinking Day On The Air as GB0MHG. For more information contact Peter D Rivers, G4XEX, on 01858 432105.

On Monday 21 February Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is having a construction and workshop evening. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548478, daytime.

On Monday 21 February South Birmingham Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Monday 21 February South Normanton Alfreton & District Amateur Radio Club is having a junk sale. Details from A Lawrence, 2E0BQS, by email to adylawri@btinternet.com.

On Monday 21 February Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society is constructing a 70cm HB9CV antenna. For more information contact Peter D Rivers, G4XEX, on 01858 432105.

On Tuesday 22 February Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 22 February Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is having a practical evening. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Wednesday 23 February Hinckley Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on getting started with satellites by Brian Leathley-Andrew, G8GMU. Details from John, M0JAV, on 07836 731544.

On Wednesday 23 February Lincoln Short-Wave Club is having a talk on RAYNET by Alan Clarke, M0LNR. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

On Wednesday 23 February Midland Amateur Radio Society is on the air, running training classes and having a laptop computer evening. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 01214 229 787.

On Wednesday 23 February Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is having an illustrated talk on Pacific Ocean DXpeditions by Derek Cox, G3KHZ. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday 24 February South Birmingham Radio Society is having training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Friday 25 February Coventry Amateur Radio Society has a radio workshop on HF, VHF and UHF. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777363. On Friday 25 February Nunsfield House Amateur Radio Group is discussing the RSGB Project. Details from Ken Frankcom, G3OCA, on 01332 720976.

On Friday 25 February South Birmingham Radio Society is having a construction evening. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Saturday 26 February Lincoln Short-Wave Club is putting G5FZ on the air and working around the shack. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND On Monday 21 February Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having a quiz night and mini flea market. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 21 February Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is having a Brains Trust evening. Details on the web at www.tcars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 22 February Chester & District Amateur Radio Society is conducting radio operations at Waverton Institute. Details from Barbara Green on 07957 870770.

On Tuesday 22 February Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society continues its Foundation and Intermediate training, starts developing the new UHF project and will be investigating the viability of using crystal sets to encourage youngsters to join the hobby. Contact Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341317.

On Tuesday 22 February Otley Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night and taking part in the 50MHz UKAC. Contact Paul, 2E0PAK, on 07768 996370.

On Tuesday 22 February Wakefield & District Radio Society continues its Intermediate and Advanced courses. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900

563117.

On Thursday 24 February Preston Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on the UKFMGW Repeater Network by Dave and Kath Wilson. Contact Richard, M0RDZ, on 0785 587 3566.

On Thursday 24 February East Yorkshire Repeater Group is holding its AGM at the Hull & District ARS. Details from Mario Brashill, G2DPA, on 07831 145244.

On Thursday 24 February Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is looking at junk box amateur radio, sometimes described as an altogether different kind of skip. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 0787 608 5631.

On Thursday 24 February South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having a talk on the Atmospheric Engine by Dave, G4UGM. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 0161 969 3999.

On Thursday 24 February Wakefield & District Radio Society is having a talk and demo on the new IRLP and Echolink node MB7IWR by Dave, G4CLI. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563117.

On Saturday 26 February Wakefield & District Radio Society continues its Intermediate and Advanced courses. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563117.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND No news items have been received for Northern Ireland this week.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday 22 February Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society has Morse Code practice. Details from Norman on 07740 946192.

On Wednesday 23 February Ayr Amateur Radio Group is having a presentation on WSPR. Details from Tom Ferguson, GM1OST, on 01292 532 088.

On Wednesday 23 February West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society is having Solder Group homebrew projects & licence training. More information from Fred Coombes, 2M0BIN, on 01415 715512.

On Thursday 24 February Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is having a video night. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663.

On Friday 25 February West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society is having presentations, guest speakers, a quiz and a raffle. More information from Fred Coombes, 2M0BIN, on 01415 715512.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA On Monday 21 February Braintree & District Amateur Radio Society is having a construction evening. For more information contact John, M5AJB, on 01787 460 947.

On Monday 21 February Burnham Beeches Radio Club is having a talk on the BBC by Tony, G0OVA. Contact Dave, G4XDU, on 01628 625 720.

On Monday 21 February Felixtowe & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a junk sale. More information from Paul, G4YQC, by email to pjw@btinternet.com.

On Monday 21 February Surrey Radio Contact Club is having a talk on Croydon Airport Model Flying Club by Darren Parvin, M0PRV. Contact John, G3MCX, on 020 8688 3322.

On Tuesday 22 February Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720815.

On Tuesday 22 February Dorking & District Radio Society is having a talk on The Radio Amateurs' Emergency Network by Alan Stuart, G3ZHB. Contact Garth, G3NPC, on 01737 359472.

On Tuesday 22 February Harwell Amateur Radio Society is having a shack activity night. Contact Malcolm, G8NRP, on 01235 524844.

On Tuesday 22 February Horndean & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the Hampshire and IOW Air Ambulance. Contact Stuart, G0FYX, on 023 9247 2846.

On Wednesday 23 February Hastings Electronics and Radio Club is holding its AGM. Details from Gordon, on 01424 431 909. On Wednesday 23 February Havering & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on getting to know RadCom by its editor, Elaine Richards, G4LFM. Contact John, M0UKD, on 07817 365354.

On Wednesday 23 February Newbury & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on QRM by Tim, G3PJD. For more information contact Rob, G3LMW, on 01635 862737.

On Wednesday 23 February Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on ionosondes by Steve Nichols, G0KYA. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898678.

On Wednesday 23 February Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is putting GX3WOR on the air. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816684.

On Thursday 24 February Bittern DX Group is having an informal meeting to plan the coming year. Details from Linda, G0AJJ, on 01692 404154.

On Thursday 24 February Echelford Amateur Radio Society is having a quiz night with Neil Hilbery, G8LPA. Contact John, G4GSC, on 01784 451898.

On Thursday 24 February Edgware & District Radio Society has a round table discussion on the ideal shack, led by Steve, G0PQB. More information from Mike, G4RNW, on 0208 950 0658.

On Thursday 24 February Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a club night at the shack. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564242.

On Thursday 24 February Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the RSGB CC CW contest. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603

898678.

On Thursday 24 February Reading & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on aerial tuning units by Peter Chadwick, G3RZP. Details from Pete, G8FRC, on 01189 695 697.

On Friday 25 February Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club is looking at how to operate the club rig. Details from Ron Huntsman, on 012233 501712.

On Friday 25 February Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society is on the air. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 020 8502 1645.

On Friday 25 February Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a radio night and table top sale. Contact Peter, G4AKG, on 01444 239371.

On Friday 25 February Waterlooville Amateur Radio Club is running CW training. Details from Rich, G4IBW, on 02392 680852.

On Friday 25 February Wimbledon & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on military radio for the amateur by Denis, MONDJ. Contact Andrew Maish, G4ADM, on 020 8335 3434.

On Sunday 27 February Horsham Amateur Radio Club is having a morning fox hunt. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST On Monday 21 February Appledore & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on modulation by Terry, G4CHD. Contact Brian Jewell, M0BRB, on 01237 473251 for more information.

On Wednesday 23 February Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417048.

On Thursday 24 February South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695471.

On Thursday 24 February Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the Mozambique DXpedition by Tony, G4LDL. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317750.

On Friday 25 February Torbay Amateur Radio Society is holding its AGM. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES

On Monday 21 February Dragon Amateur Radio Club Software Defined Radio by John MW0XHO. More information from Stewart Rolfe, GW0ETF, on 07833 620733.

163. SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 20 FEBRUARY 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-19 20:00:20 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <20110219200007.506E933C4E@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4753
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 20 FEBRUARY 2011

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'ARMI' and follow the links for details. PLEASE NOTE: for audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail. Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 and 3,695 MHz SSB.

VOICE OF THE OCEAN GOES SILENT

For the past twenty six years his voice kept yachtsmen and women company as they sailed the oceans, providing them with regular weather reports and assisted those who ran into trouble. Alister Campbell, ZS5MU, went silent key on the afternoon of 14 February 2011.

Alistair's interest in marine matters started many years ago when Alistair helped a friend build a yacht. Once the yacht was completed and on the water they kept in contact via amateur radio. It wasn't long before other yachts started checking in with Alistair and the South African Maritime Mobile Net was born in October 1979.

With Davina, ZS5GC, at his side they devoted themselves tirelessly to the building up of the South African Maritime Mobile Net which is now internationally renowned and held in high regard in the yachting fraternity.

Alister believed so much in the importance of the net that he groomed Graham Griggs, ZS2ABK, and others to carry on the tradition and when his health started failing handed the reigns over to Graham.

In 2000 Alister and Davina were awarded the ICOM Excellence Award by the SARL. This award is bestowed annually by Council on the amateur who through his/her activity in the Amateur Service has brought international recognition to South Africa.

In 2005 Alister was awarded the Nokia Siemens Community Service Award by the South African Amateur Radio Development Trust, and, on the 25th anniversary of the net the SARL awarded a special certificate.

We extend our sincere condolences to Davina and his family. The couple showed South Africa and the world what real amateur radio spirit is about. Alister's voice is silent but will live on in our memories and in the memories of those whose lives he saved through his action on the daily net.

A special tribute with some historic audio clips will be broadcast on Amateur Radio TODAY this morning.

(PAUSE)

In the news today

SA AMSAT DECIDES ON THE KLETSKOUS PAYLOAD

SARL STRATEGY INDABA

LEARN TO PROGRAM IN WINDOWS

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting news items.

SA AMSAT DECIDES ON THE KLETSKOUS PAYLOAD

SA AMSAT this week announced that the main payload on the KLETSkous CubeSat will be a linear UV transponder with a bandwidth of 20 kHz. The UV mode which is 70 cm uplink and 2 metre downlink was chosen in line with internationally recommended practice as it will minimize interference. The aim is to have it operating over Africa without the need of an access tone to open the transponder.

A multi city team is working on the designs and will soon finalise the specifications. Fundraising for the project has started in all earnest and radio amateurs are invited to make contributions to the fund. Visit www.amsatsa.org.za for bank details and more about the KLETSkous project.

SARL STRATEGY INDABA

The SARL Council meets annually for a two-day strategic session ahead of the National Convention to plan for the year ahead. These plans are then presented at the Annual General Meeting which this year will be held on 15 and 16 April at the Vaal University of Technology. This is the only time that councillors meet face to face as all other council meetings are held via teleconference.

Members are invited to make input to the strategic indaba by submitting suggestions of what they would like the SARL to plan for the coming year or issues which they feel require attention. Send your input to armi@sarl.org.za before 28 February 2011.

LEARN TO PROGRAM IN WINDOWS

Learning to program in Windows is a new SARL course presented by John Willescroft, ZS6EF. Learn how to produce your own applications in Windows to run peripherals from an USB port. The course includes an USB

interface that will switch relays and read push buttons and voltages. Design your own shack control program with stand-alone applications. Your very own EXE files.

The first course will be presented in Cape Town on Saturday 19 March 2011. There is a substantial discount for SARL members. Full details and a booking form can be found on www.sarl.org.za and select RTA.

SA AMSAT SPACE SYMPOSIUM

The 2011 SA AMSAT space symposium will be presented in at the Talk100 Auditorium at Vodaworld in Midrand on 2 April. The date was changed by one week to avoid building operations at Vodaworld. Book now and benefit from the early bird rate. Find full details on www.amsatsa.org.za. It the symposium you do not want to miss.

DIGIMODE ACTIVITY IN THE 40 m CW SEGMENT

At WRC03, the ITU allocated frequency segment 7 100 - 7 200 kHz to the Amateur Service in Region 1. This extension of the 40 m band allowed IARU Region 1 to modify the Region 1 band plan. These changes became effective on 29 March 2009. Some of these changes include extension of the exclusive CW segment by 5 kHz, and is now 7 000 - 7 040 kHz; the segment for Narrow Band Modes (Digimodes) with a maximum bandwidth of 500 Hz was extended by 5 kHz (doubled) and moved to 7 040 - 7 050 kHz and the segment for All Modes (Digimodes) with a maximum bandwidth of 2 700 Hz was extended by 7 kHz and moved to 7 050 - 7 060 kHz.

Although the separation of the segments is by frequencies that are easy to remember (7 040, 7 050, 7 060 kHz), there is still a lot of PSK31 activity around 7 037 kHz. Radio amateurs are requested to adhere to the guidelines as stipulated in the IARU Region 1 HF Band Plan.

ARISSAT-1 DEPLOYMENT DELAYED UNTIL JULY

The launch from the International Space Station of ARISSAT-1 has been delayed till July.

On Thursday, 10 February Energia decided to have the crew do a checkout of ARISSAT One to make certain that it had survived the trip up on board the re-supply cargo flight that had carried it to its temporary home on the ISS. This test was not an event that was previously scheduled and there was no public announcement made of it. Instead, a message was sent to the ISS crew to connect ARISSAT-1 to one of the external amateur radio antennas, to turn it on and listen to it on the Kenwood dual-bander normally used for ARISS school contacts. During the test, Energia decided to keep the ARISSAT transmitter on through to the next day after which the crew reported back that the satellite was functioning flawlessly and it was ready to go off into space on its own.

On Friday, 11 February Energia management announced that the deployment of the ARISSAT One satellite had been removed from the schedule of

events for E-V-A 28. This, Energia SAID, was due to changes in the tasks associated with the work scheduled to be performed during this spacewalk. Subsequently, Energia informed NASA that deployment of ARISSAT One will be added to EVA number 29. Its currently scheduled for sometime this coming July.

The good news in all this is that ARISSAT One will likely work exactly as it was designed to, once deployed in-orbit. Amateurs on the ground who heard ARISSAT One during the test period said its signal was definitely loud and clear.

CONTEST NEWS

The first SARL Digital Contest will be on the air next Sunday, 27 February from 13:00 to 16:00 UTC. The SARL Hamnet 40 Metre Simulated Emergency Contest will be run on Sunday 6 March from 12:00 to 14:00 UTC.

The rules for both these contests can be found in the 2011 SARL Contest Manual, the rules will also be included in the next issue of the HF Happenings newsletter.

Log sheets for the SARL National Field Day must be submitted by midnight on Monday 21 February 2011 to zs4bfn@netactive.co.za or by normal mail to Box 12104, Brandhof, 9324.

CLUB NEWS

The Overberg Amateur Radio Club held their AGM at the field station on 12/2 at Stanford. The following committee was chosen. Chairman - Andre Meintjes - ZS1AZ Vice chairman - Sam McLeary - ZS1OR Secretary - Judy Gardener - ZS1JEG Treasurer - John Martin - ZS1DI Technical _ Len van Riell - ZS1LEN

ZS6PTA FLEA MARKET AND BOOT SALE IN PRETORIA

The Pretoria Amateur Radio Club will be hosting their next flea market and boot sale on Saturday 5 March. The fleamarket will be held at the Pretoria Motor Club facilities in Keunig street Silverton. The starting time is 08:00.

Everyone is welcome to attend. Come and visit the Mega Fleamarket in Pretoria. Phone Almero, ZS6LDP, on 083 938 8955 if you want to book a table or if you need more details about the flea market.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, can at last report that the solar activity has increased from low to moderate levels, as the biggest solar flare since December 2006 was produced by Sunspot 1 158. Sunspot 1 158 remains very large as it heads towards the western limb and a new sunspot is also forming just to the north of Sunspot 1 161. The effective sunspot number is expected to be around 50 for the coming week.

15 m will provide the best opportunities for DX followed by 20 m. Conditions to India will be good from the afternoon till after sunset. During the afternoons conditions will be good towards Europe on 15 m, later to be followed by fair 20 m openings. Fair 15 m contacts with the USA are possible during the evenings. Contacts with Australia are possible on 20 m after sunset. 15 and especially 20 m openings to Brazil and South America are possible during the afternoons. With the good 15 and 20 m openings 17 m will also be full of surprises. With the increase in solar activity 10 m may also come alive from time to time.

For the CW and digital enthusiasts 30 m may be very rewarding with openings to many parts of the world.

Locally 40 m is the workhorse for contacts around the country with 20 and 30-m also being very useful for contacts over the longer distances. 80 m will be best during the early mornings and late afternoons as well as over the shorter distances.

80 m is the frequency of choice during the evenings.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

21 February - Due date for the SARL field day logs to zs4bfn@netactive.co.za or Box 12104, Brandhof, 9324. 25 February - Logs for AWA CW Activity day to be in to Andy, ZSADY. 27 February - First SARL Digital Contest for 2011 from 13:00 to 16:00 UTC on 80, 40 and 20 metres. 28 February - Offers to host a station at Sun City during IARU Region 1 conference to be in to iaru2011@sarl.org.za. 28 February - Due date for inputs for SARL Strategic Indaba to armi@armi.sarl.org. 5 March - ZS6PTA Flea Market at POMC Club house in Keunig St, Silverton from 08:00. 6 March - SARL Hamnet 40 Metre Simulated Emergency Contest will be run from 12:00 to 14:00 UTC. 19 March - RTA, Programming in Windows course in Cape Town, book at www.sarl.org.za. 25 March - SAiSAT briefing session at the NARC. 2 April - SA AMSAT, book at www.amsatsa.org.za. Space Simposium at Vodaworld,

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 560 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'ARMI' and follow the links. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 22:05 CAT on 3 215 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by Gustav, ZS6BWN.

Thank you for listening, 73.
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164. ONLY FOR YOUTH

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-20 10:13:02 UTC
From: guru <sridatta9247@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <b2e2a211-5be5-415a-9719-4c8c7e395a87@t19g2000prd.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4754

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TELUGU FUNNY VIDEOS
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DEEPIKA PADUKONE HOT VIDEOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/deepika-padukone.html
HOT ARCHANA STILLS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/archana.html
DEEKSHA SETH HOT WALLPAPERS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/deeksha-seth.html
KATRINA KAIF HOT VIDEOS&PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2011/01/katrina-kaif.html
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165. NZART Headquarters Infoline Issue 224

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-20 12:43:42 UTC
From: jamiepye <jamie.pye@pyenet.co.nz>
Message-ID: <GBEFLHAKABNBJEJENPGDIEDICPAA.jamie.pye@pyenet.co.nz>
Source record: 4755
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

A Message
There is only one NEW ZEALAND ASSOCIATION of RADIO TRANSMITTERS. It serves you at local, national and international levels. It deserves our full support if we are to continue to have the frequencies and operating privileges we currently enjoy. The Association is what you and I make it.

NZART Headquarters Infoline Issue 224
20-FEBRUARY-2011
NZART Website: http://www.nzart.org.nz/home/

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>From The Business Manager ZL2DL
Debby says...
Last weekend a special edition of HQ Info Line was sent out as I appeared to be receiving a considerable number of e-mails and phone calls regarding envelopes for voting.

If you have been unable to find yours included in the last issue of Break In, please send your vote in an envelope marked "Returning Officer", then INTO another envelope, to the address of HQ, but include your name and address details on the reverse of the outer envelope so I can confirm your membership status before it is opened.

Only envelopes were missing - all voting papers were issued.

For those of you who have included your Break In Readers Survey form in the election envelope, I have forwarded them to John Walker, however cannot guarantee they will be placed into the lucky prize draw.

The address to send these surveys to is on the survey form in bold lettering at the bottom.

Finally, Datamail did not include Branch details and Membership Expiration dates on the front wrapper. You will ONLY have received Break In if your membership is current to the end of 2011. Therefore you don't need to confirm if you are financial.

Talk soon...Debby ZL2DL

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FMTAG Notes For February 20 HQ Infoline
Please click HERE to go to the FMTAG Applications Being Processed

Proposals
Published in HQ Infoline and on the NZART website, inviting comments from members.

1.. Branch 83 Raglan has applied for a 2 metre Voice and Data repeater at Ward Street, Topo50 map reference BD33 007.88 154.66. The transmit frequency will be 145.350 MHz and the receive frequency will be 144.750 MHz. An Engineering Evaluation, in accordance with the MED's Radio Licence Certification Rules (PIB38), shows that there will be no interference to other stations.

2.. Branch 83 Raglan has applied for a 70 centimetre Voice and Data repeater at Ward Street, Topo50 map reference BD33 007.88 154.66. The transmit frequency will be 439.425 MHz and the receive frequency will be 434.425 MHz. An Engineering Evaluation, in accordance with the MED's Radio Licence Certification Rules (PIB38), shows that there will be no interference to other stations.

Comments and Applications
Please send your comments and suggestions on the above matters and recommendations, and on any other FMTAG matters, by e-mail to:
fmtag@nzart.org.nz

Applications for repeaters, beacons, digipeaters, point-to-point links, and so on, should be made on the latest version of FMTAG Form 10. The latest versions of FMTAG Form 10, and the explanatory Form 10A, are available on the NZART web site:
http://www.nzart.org.nz/nzart/fmtag/

Completed forms should be sent by e-mail to fmtag@nzart.org.nz

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Report - Face to Face Meeting
>From the NZART Council meeting held at Wellington Airport 19th February 2011
1.. Council decided to seek legal opinion on the compliance of the Wellington VHF Group Constitution and the REG constitution with the NZART Constitution. These will be forwarded to Malcolm Webster, Solicitor, for his opinion.

2.. The Draft Annual Accounts were approved and Evan was thanked for the work he had done. Evan suggested that the Constitution requires an update in order for NZART to gain charitable status and save paying considerable tax. There is a need to update the NZART Constitution and ways to do this are being considered.

3.. An application for branch status was received from the Radio Electronics Group. It was decided that the following branches be contacted to seek their opinions on the formation of Radio Electronics Group Branch status and if this formation would adversely affect them (as per the NZART Constitution requirement). Responses to be received by Council by end of April: Cambridge, Te Awamutu, Huntly, Hamilton, Raglan, Waitomo, Waikato VHF Group.

4.. 13 remits for the AGM in June were received. These were classified into their various categories: Constitutional, Transmitting, and Non-Transmitting. These remits, along with Annual Reports, will be published in the next issue of Break-In.

5.. Jamie Pye ZL2NN and Jim Tittsler ZL2IA were appointed joint moderators of the NZART members' reflector.

6.. Council was addressed by Dick Greenbank, ZL2TGQ, of ARTANZ who explained their aims and objects. A decision was made not to support ARTANZ at this stage because there were remits to be decided at the AGM which would make this decision.

7.. Debby ZL2DL gave council a report on the arrangements for the 2011 Conference to be held in Silverstream. Everything looks good for this event.

8.. Topsy ZL2LS gave a report on the progress being made for the 2012 Conference to be held in Nelson.

9.. Rugby World Cup: NZART ALO, Don Wallace ZL2TTL, reported the following (approved by RSM): To promote the Rugby World Cup, New Zealand Amateur Radio operators are encouraged to use the ZM callsign prefix during September and October 2011. For more information, visit the RWC website at http://www.rugbyworldcup.com/ and the NZART website at http://www.nzart.org.nz/

Roy Symon, ZL2KH
President, NZART (Inc.)

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Spectrum Management Bill Threatens - 70 cm - ARRL Report
02/17/2011 (mm/dd/yyyy)

.....The D-Block consists of two, 5-megahertz-wide segments of spectrum (758-763 and 788-793 MHz) that became available when the FCC ended analog television broadcasts in June 2009 and reallocated the 698-806 MHz band for Public Safety and commercial broadband. It was anticipated that the D-Block would be auctioned for commercial use. There are several bills in Congress providing for the allocation of the D-Block for Public Safety use, and HR 607 is one of those. But HR 607 uniquely provides for the reallocation of other spectrum for auction to commercial users, in order to offset the loss of revenue that would occur as the result of the allocation of the D-Block to Public Safety instead of commercial auction. HR 607 lists the paired bands of 420-440 MHz and 450-470 MHz among the bands to be reallocated for commercial auction within 10 years of its passage.....

For further information and to see the full text, please go to:
http://bit.ly/hvgCWa

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Proposed Changes to 27 MHz Amateur Band
This topic has been a subject in a special Infoline but is repeated here for information EDITOR

It has just come to our notice that changes being proposed by the Radio Spectrum Policy and Planning group to the CB licence (see
http://www.rsm.govt.nz/cms/pdf-library/policy-and-planning/current-projects/cb-discussion-paper-gul-2010.pdf)
will, if approved, give CB radio users access to our 26.95 to 27.3 MHz Amateur Band. (There are also changes planned at UHF but these do not appear to affect Amateurs.)

NZART ALO, Don Wallace, ZL2TLL

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NZART Conference 2011
Queen's Birthday Weekend June-3/6-2011
Upper Hutt Branch 63 NZART cordially invite NZART Members and their guests to join us at the - Upper Hutt NZART Conference 2011.

Venue
This year's Conference is being held at the Silverstream Retreat which is located near the Upper Hutt suburb of Silverstream and just north of the entrance to Stokes Valley.

It is easily accessible from the nearby State Highway 2 and State Highway 58 (Hayward's Road).

Physical address is:
Silverstream Retreat, Corner Eastern Hutt Rd & Reynolds Bach Drive Lower Hutt 5019

Provisional Programme
The program will include lectures and forums by several guest speakers, the NZART AGM plus the usual AREC, AMSAT-ZL, OTC, SPAM, WARO, and other section meetings, forums and AGMs. An exciting range of other talks and displays has

been organised.

Registration Costs and Accommodation
Final costs for both Conference Registration and Accommodation are almost complete, and will be available from 10 March 2011.

Pictures of Silverstream Retreat main reception (left) and the Boardwalk (right). The Boardwalk is directly opposite the main reception at the venue. The Boardwalk will be the Conferences' main hub of Registration, gathering point and entrance for the NZART AGM on the Saturday.

Reception Boardwalk

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Branch Data - The Information on NZART Branches and Affiliates
The format for advising the Call Book Editor about changes to Branch details has been changed to a more efficient CMS based system.

Please use the new form
http://www.nzart.org.nz/branches/branch-data/branch-list-report-form/
to advise changes to Branch details.

An update to the Branch list will be done early March and the old system of spreadsheet, Word document and pdf removed.

The new system has a menu 'BRANCH LIST MENU' and a simple database 'BRANCH LIST DATA'. The Branch List menu has a list of all NZART branches in alphabetical and branch number order. Branch List Data has 88 records with each record having 19 fields with the details of each branch.

For those that like their data in Excel format, instructions on how to convert the branch data is at:
http://www.nzart.org.nz/branches/branch-data/#conversion

Lorne ZL2AHB Call Book Editor E-mail: callbook@nzart.org.nz

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NASA's First Solar Sail NanoSail-D Deploys in Low-Earth Orbit
21-JAN-2011

HUNTSVILLE, Ala. ï¿½ Friday, Jan. 21 at 10 a.m. EST, engineers at NASA's Marshall Space Flight Center in Huntsville, Ala., confirmed that the NanoSail-D nanosatellite deployed its 100-square-foot polymer sail in low-Earth orbit and is operating as planned. Actual deployment occurred on Jan. 20 at 10 p.m. EST and was confirmed today with beacon packets data received from NanoSail-D and additional ground-based satellite tracking assets. In addition, the NanoSail-D orbital parameter data set shows an appropriate change which is consistent with sail deployment...more info at:
http://www.nasa.gov/mission_pages/smallsats/11-010.html

Note frequency of its transmissions: 437.270 MHz

Related Web site is interesting and where you can submit a report.
http://nanosaild.engr.scu.edu/dashboard.htm

Jamie ZL2NN

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NZART Aliases and Groups
LIST OF NZART ALIASES 2011-02-12 <NAME>@nzart.org.nz
<NAME> = 6M, ADVERTMANAGER, ALO, AREC, ARISS, ARPROMO, ARX1, ARX2, AWARDS,
BRANCH.05, BRANCH.12, BRANCH.18, BRANCH.22, BRANCH.30, BRANCH.39, BRANCH.53,
BRANCH.65, BRANCH.81, BREAK-IN, BREAKIN, CALLBOOK, CONTEST, DIGITAL, EDITOR,
EMAIL, EMC, EXAM, EXAMS, FINANCIAL, FMTAG, FUNDING, HAMADS, HARCMDAY, HQ,
IARU, INFOLINEEDITOR, LEGAL, LOCALGOVERNMENT, MILESTONES, MORSE, MORSEMAN,
MS2, MS, NATIONALTRAINING, NZART.HQ, NZART, NZARTHQ, OFFICERLIAISON,
POSTMASTER, PRESIDENT, PROMO, PUBLICITY, QANDA, QSL, RADIATION, RECIPROCAL,
RECORDS, TRUST, WEB-DEVEL, WEBMASTER

To relate a name to an officer's postion please see:
http://www.nzart.org.nz/council/positions/officers/

GROUP LISTS 2010-08-13 <GROUP NAME>@lists.nzart.org.nz
<GROUP NAME> = AREC-NZ, BOP-AREC-GROUP, COUNCIL, COUNCILPLUSHQ, OFFICERS,
TECG-GROUP, NZART-MEMBERS
NOTE: The addition of LISTS after the @ symbol.

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Some Famous People and Their Callsigns
1.. W5CY Howard Hughes - Billionaire, Inventor, aviator, aircraft designer

2.. W2JOF Sir Cliff Richard - Singer (W2JOF is his USA callsign)

3.. WD4SKT Donnie Osmond - Singer

4.. WB6ACU Joe Walsh - Of The Eagles & James Gang

5.. JA3FA Tokuzo Inoue - Founder of ICOM

6.. 3A0AG Prince Alberto Grimaldi - Monte Carlo, Monaco

7.. W6RO Queen Mary Ocean Liner - Wireless room operated by The Associated
Radio Amateurs of Long Beach Calif

8.. W6DOE Clarence Leonidas Fender (Leo Fender) - He of Fender electric
guitars. Prolific inventor & designer of instruments

>From Shacknews JAN-2011:
http://www.nzart.org.nz/council/promotion/#shacknews

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Kiwi Digital Modes Group
2011 VK/ZL RTTY SPRINT CONTEST
The third running of the Kiwi Digital Modes Group RTTY contest will take
place in April 2011.

PLEASE NOTE: These rules differ from previous years.

This year's contest format see's a change in the points system and operating periods. To make life that more interesting and to hopefully generate a bit more interest in the contest this year I have decided to break each nights operation in to two half hour periods. I have also changed the points system with 2 points being awarded for each contact worked in the first half hour period, and five points being awarded if the same station is worked in the second half hour period.

This contest will take the format of two half hour period sprints run over two consecutive Saturdays. The first night will be on 80 metres and the second night will be on 40 metres.

The contest is open to all licensed amateur radio operators living in the VK & ZL callsign districts.

DATES & TIMES
Saturday April 23rd 2011 - 1000 UTC - 1100 UTC, in two half hour periods (1000 - 1030 UTC) & (1031 - 1100UTC) - 80M only

Saturday April 30th 2011 - 1000 UTC - 1100 UTC, in two half hour periods (1000 - 1030 UTC) & (1031 - 1100 UTC) - 40M only

Operators can choose to enter one of the following three categories:

* 80 Metres Only.
* 40 Metres Only.
* 80 Metres / 40 Metres Combined.

Certificates will be issued for the following categories:

1.. * 80M ONLY: The top three scores from VK & the top three scores from ZL.

2.. * 40M ONLY: The top three scores from VK & the top three scores from ZL.

3.. * 80M / 40M COMBINED: The top three scores overall, irrespective of which country the contestant has entered from. In other words, there will not be separate certificates issued for the top three from each country as is the case in the 80M & 40M only categories. This will hopefully encourage more operators to partake in both nights operations.

The points system is as follows:

1.. * For the first half hour period of operation, 2 points for each station contacted.

2.. * For the second half hour period of operation, 2 points for each station worked, with a bonus of 3 points if the same station was worked in the first half hour period making for a total of 5 points available if achieved.

3.. * When changing from the first operating period to the second operating period, operators are not allowed to work the same station

consecutively. That is, if ZL2SKY works ZL2AUB as his last contact in the first operating period, he must work a different station first in the second operating period before working ZL2AUB again.

Log Sheets are to contain the following:

1.. * Callsign of station worked.

2.. * Time.

3.. * Signal Report Sent & Received.

4.. * Points Claimed for Each Contact.

A separate Log Sheet is required for each night of the contest with the operating band and date specified. In addition, a separate summary sheet advising what category is being entered into along with the operators Name, Address, Callsign and a declaration that all good amateur radio operating practises have been observed for the duration of the contest.

Logs are to be received by the organizer no later than Sunday the 22nd of May 2011.

Logs can be sent electronically to: zl2sky@zl2ko.org.nz

Alternatively they can be posted to:
KDMG RTTY CONTEST
365 High Street
Dannevirke 4930
New Zealand

Further information may be obtained by contacting the organizer at either of the addresses given above, or check out the Kiwi Digital Modes Group website at:
http://www.qsl.net/zl2sky/new_page_1.htm

73 & Happy Contesting
de Allan Chandler ZL2SKY
Contest Organizer

2011-02-16

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Upcoming Events
1.. Te Puke Amateur Radio Club Inc. Sale 5-March-2011
http://www.nzart.org.nz/activities/events/te-puke-arc-sale/

2.. Wellington EXPO-11 & VHF Convention 23-April-2011
http://www.nzart.org.nz/activities/events/expo-2011/

3.. UPPER HUTT NZART Conference 2011 04/06-June-2011
http://www.nzart.org.nz/activities/events/2010-upper-hutt-conf/

Contest News
VHF/UHF/SHF Contest

VHF++ Low Band Contest (1st SAT APR 2nd if Easter) 02/03-APR-2011
THE VHF CONTEST RULES (http://www.vhf.org.nz/VHF-UHF-SHF-ContestRules)

Contest Calendar 2011
Contest Name
Date(s) 2011

Jock White Field Day (last full WE FEB)
26/27-FEB-2011

ARRL DX-SSB
05/06-MAR-2011

Housekeeping
1.. Break-In-Closing Date Reminder: Copy for the MARCH/APRIL issue of
Break-In-closes on 10-MARCH-2011

2.. Copy for Break-In: Copy is welcome in most electronic formats but
word.doc files are preferred. Photos and other graphics should be send as
separate discrete files (*.jpg preferred); not as embedded pix in the body
of the text. Please ensure that suitable descriptive captions/legends are
included with your copy.
All received copy will be acknowledged to confirm receipt.
Thank you for your cooperation.
John Walker ZL3IB Editor.

3.. Break-In: Early receipt of copy is much appreciated

4.. Break-In-AREC Column: The close-of-copy date is the 03-MARCH-2011 for
articles for publication in the AREC COLUMN OF BREAK-IN. Photos, if
available, to be on a separate floppy or CD (with captions), posted DIRECTLY
TO US. Use Call Book address. All other material can go to e-mail:
zl3qr@nzart.org.nz or zl3ov@nzart.org.nz

5.. The ARRL and WIA Weekly News

6.. Subscribe TO/FROM Infoline

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http://www.nzart.org.nz/join/e-mail-lists/join-infoline-list/

Regards, Jamie Pye ZL2NN, Editor zl2nn@nzart.org.nz

166. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #999

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-20 22:42:44 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <203052.30684.qm@smtp102.sbc.mail.ne1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 4756
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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BID: $OPDX.999
February 21, 2011
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 13th/February, through Sunday, 20th/February there were 210 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5V, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J3, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T30, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2M, VP5, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD9, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS, ZS8

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

8P, BARBADOS. Yuri, VE3DZ, will continue to be active as 8P9AA until February 22nd. Activity will be on all HF bands using CW, SSB and RTTY. He was active this past weekend during the ARRL DX CW Contest using the callsign 8P3A. QSL both callsigns via his home callsign.

8th AAW. Just a reminder that the 8th "Antarctic Activity Week" (AAW) takes place this week from February 21-27th. Look for several special event stations (some with the AAW suffix) to be active. Many will have WAP reference numbers which are good for the Worldwide Antarctic Program (WAP). For more details and a list of stations to be active, visit the Web site at: http://www.waponline.it

BV100, TAIWAN. Members of the Republic of China (Taiwan) Centenary Foundation will be activating special event station BV100 during the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest (March 26-27th) from Shaio-Liu-Chiu Island (BV9, AS-155) as a Multi-? entry. This special event is to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Republic of China (Taiwan). Look for it to be active throughout the year until the end of the year. Operations will be on all bands and modes. Complete details on a operating schedule and how to earn a BV100 award is available at: http://www.bv100.tw/EN
QSL via BV2KI at: Bruce Yih, P.O.Box 84-609 Taipei, Taiwan 100
ADDED NOTE: Operators mentioned for the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest are BM2AAV, BU2AT, BV2DD, BV2KI, BV2KS, BV2NT, BX2AB and BX9AAA.

CN, MOROCCO. Members of the UA2 Contest Club will be active as CN2FF during the CQ 160-Meter SSB Contest (February 27-28th) as Multi-Op entry. The operators mentioned are Dmitry/RN2FA (CN2FA), Andy/UA2FB (CN2FB) and Vladimir/UA2FF (CN2FF). Look for some activity before the contest by the operators. QSL CN2FF via DK4VW (direct) or via the UA2 QSL Bureau (http://qrz.ru/qsl/, English version for 2F's address is also there). DK4VW's address is: Ulrich Mueller, Kreutzacker 13, D-35041 Marburg, Germany.

D4, CAPE VERDE. Massimo, IZ4DPV, will be active as D4C from Vicente Island (AF-086) during the CQ 160m SSB Contest (February 25-27th) as a Single-Op entry. QSL only direct via IZ4DPV or by the Bureau to CT1ESV.

DA2, GERMANY (Special Event). Martin, IK2RMZ/DL1GBZ , will be in Germany during the last week in February, and is expected to use the special callsign DA2MORSE which is assigned to the FMC (Friends of Samuel Morse Club). He is a FMC member (#853). Martin states that he should be on air on 80m during the evening hours. This special callsign is expected to be activated by several different operators from several different locations throughout 2011. Operators and locations mentioned are:
Heinz/DF4BV - B2MORSE

ED1, SPAIN. A Spanish group from Ponferrada-Leon (Northwest Spain), in the Province of Leon, will use the special callsign ED1L during the CQWW

160M SSB Contest (February 25-27th). QSL via EA1EJ. This group has participated in the past as AO1L during the past two years.

ED9, CEUTA AND MELILLA. A group of Spanish operators will be active as ED9NA during the CQ 160m SSB Contest (February 25-27th). QSL via EA9GW (QRZ.com). Operators mentioned are: Jose/EA9CD, Manuel/EA9BW, Jose/EA9PY, Mariano/EA9LS, Pablo/EA9AZ, Enrique/EA9GW and Pedro/EA9PD.

EL, LIBERIA. The next DXpedition by the I2YSB team will take place from Liberia between March 31st and April 13th. The callsign will be announced at a later date. The team will consists of Silvano/I2YSB, Vinicio/IK2CIO, Angelo/IK2CKR, Marcello/IK2DIA and Stefano/IK2HKT. The pilot station will be Art/IK7JWY. The group plans to use 3 stations for the HF bands and one other for the 50 MHz band (w/beacon and cubical quad antenna). Activity will be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. An online log will be provided by IH9GPI. QSL via I2YSB. The official Web site is at: http://www.i2ysb.com
Official forum (for any comment, suggestion or to contact the pilot) is available at: http://www.hamradioweb.org/forums

GJ, JERSEY. Russell, G5XW, will be active as GJ5XW from the Isle of Jersey (EU-013, WLOTA 0818) between March 24-38th. Activity will be on the HF bands but will also include the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 26-27th). QSL via G5XW, direct only (QRZ.com).

IOTA NEWS.....
AF-093. Laci, HA0NAR, now active as J5NAR, hopes to activate Guinea-Bissau's Coastal Region Group beginning Monday, February 21st. Watch the IOTA frequencies. Length of stay is not known. QSL via his home callsign (see QRZ.com for details).

AS-049. Take, JI3DST, will be active as JI3DST/JI6 from Kuchino-shima, Tokara Archipelago (Kagoshima-Pref; located in JA6 area; takes 20 hours by ship to reach), between March 11-20th. Operations will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB, FM, RTTY and PSK31. QSL JI3DST/JI6 via JI3DST by the Bureau. PLEASE NOTE: His activity will be from two different locations on either side of a volcanic edge to benefit different regions:
QTH 1 - For NA, SA, JA and other areas on 40-6m, between 2300-0300z and 0400-0600z.
QTH 2 - For EU, AF, JA and other areas on 160-6m between 0800-2200z.

EU-001. Members of the "DX Plus" Hellenic Amateur Radio Team will be active as SX5F from the Farmakonisi Rocky Islet between May 14-22nd. Operators mentioned are Theodoros/SV1GRM, Sotirios/SV1HER, George/SV1RP, Spiros/SV1RC, George/SV1QN, Giannis/SV1GYG and Takis/SV2FWV. Activity will be on all HF bands using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via the RAAG Bureau. For more details, see Web site at: http://www.qrz.com/db/SX5F

EU-029. Operators Ben/DO1BEN and Barbara/DO1IQ will be active as OZ/homecall from Lolland Island (DIA SJ-015, WLOTA 2773) between April 22-29th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using SSB and some Digital modes (PSK31/RTTY). QSL via their home callsigns, by the Bureau or direct. For update, visit the Web site at: http://www.do1ben.de

EU-038. Operators Ben/DO1BEN and Barbara/DO1IQ will once again be active as PD/homecalls from De Cocksdorp, Texel Island (WLOTA 0043) between August 22-28th. Activity will be holiday style on 80-10 meters using SSB and some Digital modes (PSK31/RTTY). QSL via their home callsigns, by the Bureau or direct. For update, visit the Web site at: http://www.do1ben.de

EU-069. Members of the "DXciting Group" will be active as EG5CI from Columbretes Island (DIE E-205, ARLHS SPA-180, EAFF-138 and DME 12040) between April 7-10th. Operators mentioned are Enrique/EA5EOR (Team Leader/SSB), Jose/EA5DTV (Co-leader/SSB), Raul/EA5KA (CW/SSB) and Joan/EA3GHZ (CW/SSB). QSLs will all be sent via the Bureau. Direct QSL are from EA5EOR. For more details, visit their Web page at: http://www.dxciting.com

EU-120. Operators Kevan/2E0WMG and Jonathan/G0DVJ will be active from Lundy Island (English Coastal Islands) between March 21-26th. Activity will be on all HF bands 80-10 meters. G0DVJ will be on CW/SSB, while 2E0WMG will be on SSB only. QSL details on QRZ.com.

EU-123. Members of Camb-Hams will be active as GS3PYE/p and GS6PYE/p from the Isle of Arran (IOSA CL01, SCOTIA CS14) between May 1-8th. The group will be renting a cottage on the westside of the island near Balliekine (WW Loc. IO75HO). Operators mentioned are Bob/G1SAA, Terry/G3VFC, Martin/G3ZAY, Colin/G4ERO, Colin/G8TMV, Mark/M0MJH, Rob/M0VFC, Steve/M1ACB and Gavin/M1BXF. Activity will be on most HF bands using SSB, Digital and some CW. Activity on VHF will be on 6m and 4m SSB/Digital (JT6m) and being a little more south than Harris Island (EU-010) they will again activate 2m both SSB/Digital (FSK441). If they have time, they will also be active on 2m and 70cm satellites. QSL both callsigns to M0VFC, direct or by the Bureau. Visit the club's Web site at: http://dx.camb-hams.com

EU-123. Members of the Macclesfield and District Amateur Radio Society will be active the Isle of Arran (IOSA CL01, SCOTIA CS14) between April 2-7th. Callsign was not provided. Operators mentioned are Adrian/M0PAI, Alan/G0JNJ, Keith/G3VKF and Arthur/2E0CBI. Activity will be on most HF bands and modes. QSL via M0PAI, direct or by the Bureau. More details will be available on the club's Web site at: http://gx4mws.com

NA-066. Members of the Palos Verdes ARC will be active as K6PV from Santa Catalina Island (USI CA016S, WLOTA 2912, Los Angeles County, CA) between February 24-27th. Operators mentioned are

Ray/N6HE, Jeff/K6JW, Joe/NZ6L and Bob/AB6SY. They will have
two stations on the air with simple dipole antennas. Check
the usual IOTA frequencies. On 40 meter SSB try around 7260
kHz. For possible skeds, E-mail Ray/N6HE at: rayday@cox.net.
QSL via K6PV (QRZ.com).

NA-089. Operators Dave/AH6HY and Mike/AB5EB will active as AH6HY/W5
and AB5EB/P from the Louisiana State East (St. Bernard Parish)
IOTA Group between April 16-17th. Activity will be on CW and
SSB, probably on the IOTA frequencies. Operators will use
monoband verticals with a small amp. QSL via their home
callsigns.

OC-138. (Update) Craig, VK4LDX, will be active as VK4LDX/P from Horn
Island between March 10-14th. Activity was orginally going
to be holiday style, but now it is a full time DXpedition.
Craig plans to operate 18 hours per day. Operation will
start at/around 0800z, March 10th. He will use a 40m dipole,
Butternut HF9V vertical and a Spiderbeam 20/15/10m tri-bander.
Modes will be on SSB, PSK31 and RTTY (he doesn't do CW). QSL
via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. He does not
use eQSL or LoTW. ADDED NOTE: This IOTA has only been claimed
by 19.5% of participants, it was last activated in 2007 for 2
days and prior to that for two days in 2002.

SA-071. Members of the Cantareira DX Group, with support from LABRE-SP,
is currently awaiting for the release from the Brazilian Navy
to activate stations from Moela Island. The group plans to
operate in the South American Lighthouse Weekend (SALW 2011),
February 25-27th. The ANATEL (Brazilian Government) has issued
the callsign for this operation PR2M.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (For February 21-27th)....
Feb 21 AN SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS
Feb 22 AN --------------------
Feb 23 AN BN - Below Normal
Feb 24 AN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Feb 25 AN LN - Low Normal
Feb 26 AN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Feb 27 AN DIS - Disturbed
VDIS - Very Disturbed

GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

PJ2, CURACAO (Update). Operators Don/W5FKX, Jim/N5HZ, Dave/W5XU and
Mike/W5ZPA (all members of the Delta DX Association) will be active as
PJ2/homecall from the Signal Point Station (PJ2T) on Curacao (SA-099,

WLOTA LH-0942) between March 10-17th. Activity will be on all bands,
160-10 meters, depending upon propagation conditions and using all modes
(CW, SSB, RTTY/PSK). All QSLs for this should be sent via the individual
operator's home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. It is expected that
logs will be uploaded to LoTW after the operation. For updates, pictures
and an online log search, visit:
http://www.deltadx.net/Activities/PJ2/PJ2-DDXA.htm

PJ4, BONAIRE. Bert, CX3AN, will be making a trip to Bonaire (SA-006,
WLOTA L1279), hosted by Peter, PJ4NX, between February 20th and March
1st. As of press time, his callsign is unknown and will be announced
upon his arrival. Activity will only take place during his spare time.
QSL via his home callsign.

PJ7, SINT MAARTEN. Bil/W8EB and his wife Dorothy/W8DVC will once again
be here between February 21st and March 19th. Activity will be on 160-10
meters, CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31 as PJ7/W8EB and possibly PJ7/W8DVC.
Operations will be limited because he is on holiday. Bil will operate in
the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 5-6th) as PJ7B, and as a Single-Op/All-Band/
Low-Power entry. This will be Bil's 16th consecutive ARRL DX SSB Contest
participation from St. Maarten. Also look for him to be in any RTTY
contests. All QSL requests go to W8EB. Visit their PJ7B Web site at:
http://www.qsl.net/pj7b

PJ7, SINT MAARTEN (Update to OPDX.998). The PJ7X team is pleased to
announce that their DXpedition to Sint Maarten (NA-105), which takes
place between October 25th and November 8th and is one of the newest
DXCC entities, now has a Web page at: http://www.pj7-2011.org
Web page lists suggested frequencies, details about operators, updates
and QSL info.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....................
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated February 20th)

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9A50Z via 9A1CAZ (Bureau) HK3ARR via YV5ARR PA6Y via PI4RCK
9K2/SP4R via SP4GFG HS0ZGQ via DK8MZ PI4DX via PD1DX
C56EME via PA3CEE II2V via IK2AQZ PY1/DJ4CW via AI4U
CE3G via CE3WDH IO2ANT via I2AZ PZ5P via UA4LU
CR2A via OH2BH IP2ANT via IK2QPR SD0R via SM0KCR
CR3L via DJ6QT IP3ANT via IN3UFW SN51MHN via SQ7MHN
CS2C via OK1RF J6/DL1VKE via DL1VKE TF3CW via LX1NO (direct
only)
CT9/DL5AXX via DL5AXX KH2/N2NL via W2YC TI5A via TI5KD
DR40AGCW via DL3BZZ KH6LC via WA6WPG TM0R via F5GGL
EA8OM via DJ1OJ KH7X via K2PF TM3T via F5UQN
ED8A via EA8AY (LoTW only) LA/LY1AKM via LY1AKM TM90RCNF via F8KKH
GB0ANT via M0OXO LS1D via LW9EOC TT8DX via DJ6SI
HB0/HB9LCW via HB9LCW LY100SP via LY3BY VP9/W6PH via W6PH
HB10K via EA7FTR NH0S/KH2 via JF2SKV W0S via JA1HGY
HG0A via HA5JI OE/DB2TK/P via DB2TK W7A via AI4U

HG3A via HA-Bureau OL8M via OK1DRQ ZA1E via I2MQP
HG7T via HA7TM PA6R via PI4RTD ZF2AM via K6AM

PJ4D QSL STATUS. Joe, W3HNK, informs that he has received the long over waited PJ4D cards from his printer and is attempting to clear all the cards out over the past weekend!

QSLS VIA LoTW: 5V7TT, 7Z1HL, A35AY, AH0BT, DL1TRK, J79EA, FG4NO, IQ8PQ, JA1CQK, JA1RTX, JA9GLW, JH3EDG, JW8AJA, LA6XAA, LA8OM, MD0CCE, MW0ZZK, OM3DX, R0/KE5JA, SM4CTT, TF4Y, V31YN/P, VK2GWK, XU7ACY, ZF2LC, ZL50VK and ZL8X

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 5C5W, A35AY, A61Q, BT4EXPO, C6ANM, CN8KD, E71A, EW8A, IM0/OL5Y, KL7RRC/P, LU3JVO, MU/F5CWU, PJ2T, PJ5/AH6HY, PJ7E, TG9NX, VK9XXY, YS1/HB9KNA and ZD9T

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: NONE REPORTED THIS WEEK!

ST0, SOUTHERN SUDAN (Press Release #2): "DXpedition to Southern Sudan --
The Intrepid-DX Group and the DX Friends have assembled an outstanding team of operators to activate the new country of Southern Sudan to take place on or after July 9th, 2011.
The Intrepid-DX Group is the group which brought you the 2010 YI9PSE, IRAQ DXpedition. The DX Friends have brought you the 2006 S01R DXpedition to Western Sahara, the 2008 DXpedition to Rwanda as 9X0R, the 2009 DX-pedition to Western Sahara as S04R, the 2010 DXpedition to Palestine as E4X and the 2010 DXpedition to San Marino as T70A.
The DX Friends and The Intrepid-DX Group continue to move forward in our planning with representatives of the new Southern Sudan Government and the ITU/IARU. Our official website is now active at:
http://www.dxfriends.com/SouthernSudan2011
At this time, we are not seeking donations or support until we have an official operating permit/license in hand. We will provide an additional Press Release-Update at that time.
Thank you,
The Intrepid-DX Group and The DX Friends.
http://www.dxfriends.com/
http://www.intrepid-dx.com/ "
ADDED NOTES: Look over the new Web page, the ST0 team is composed of the following operators:
Dave/K3LP (Co-Leader) Antonio/EA5RM (Co-Leader)
Paul/N6PSE (Co-Leader) Roberto/EA2RY
Hrane/YT1AD Manolo/EA7AJR
Krassy/K1LZ Jose/EA7KW
Bob/N6OX Flo/F5CWU
Jun/JH4RHF Bernard/F9IE
Dmitri/RA9USU Fabrizio/IN3ZNR
Al/K3VN Valery/UT7CR
Bill/N2WB
Dave/AH6HY

The Pilots: Chuck/AA6G - USA Pilot
Toshi/JA1ELY - JA Pilot
Col/MM0NDX - EU Pilot

SV9, CRETE. Operator Claude/HB9CRX and his XYL Doris will be on holiday in Kissamos between July 11-27th. Claude will sign SV9/HB9CRX and will be active on 30/20/17/15/12/10 meters CW and QRP. QSL via his home callsign when he returns back home.

TJ, CAMEROON (Update). The international team composed of members of the Provins ARC (F6KOP) are now QRT as TJ9PF from Kribi as of about 1200z, February 20th. The team worked 67611 QSOs with 19383 unique callsigns. The breakdown is: 26198/CW, 23996/SSB and 17416/RTTY. Yann, F1NGP, has uploaded the complete logbook on the Club_log Web page at: http://www.clublog.org/charts/?c&#65533;9PF&a&#65533;bed
The corrections to be made will be considered when Yann returns back home. Visit the TJ9PF Web page at: http://www.tj9pf.fr

V2, ANTIGUA. Operators Babs/DL7AFS and Lot/DJ7ZG will once again be active as V21ZG from Antigua (NA-100) between now and throughout March. Activity will be on 80-6 meters with operations mainly on RTTY, PSK and SSB. They plan to look for JA stations and QRP stations. QSL via DL7AFS.

VK9C, COCOS KEELING ISLANDS (Update/Reminder). Operators Phil/G3SWH and Jim/G3RTE will be active from West Island in the Cocos (Keeling) Islands between February 22nd and March 5th. The Cocos (Keeling) Islands count as OC-003 for IOTA purposes. The 2010 "Most Wanted" survey by the DX Magazine shows the Cocos (Keeling) Islands at #76 worldwide for DXCC purposes. Both operators will use the single callsign of VK9C/G6AY. Their activity will be on CW only on all bands 80-10 meters. There will be no 160, 6 meters or EME activity. Propagation permitting, they plan to have two stations on the air for as many hours every day as is possible. Their main objective is to work as many European, North American and ROTW stations on as many different bands as possible and plan to make at least 15,000 QSOs. QSL via G3SWH, either direct with SAE and adequate return postage (recommended), via Phil's web site for a bureau reply or via the Bureau. This will be a very expensive DXpedition. They are happy to meet the costs of transport to and from the islands, but are seeking sponsorship and donations from individuals, DX clubs and organizations towards their living expenses on the island, printing QSLs and the like. There is more information at: http://www.g3swh.org.uk/vk9c-g6ay.html

VP2M, MONTSERRAT. Philip, WA1ZAM, will be here between March 1-8th. Callsign is not known yet. Activity will be on the HF bands and he plans to be in the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 6-7th). Also, look for possible activity before and after the contest. QSL via his home callsign.

VU4, ANDAMAN ISLANDS (Update). Members of the Amateur Radio Society of India (ARSI) plan to be active as VU4PB from Port Blair, between March 15-31st. Operators mentioned are Ananth/VU2PAI, Aravind/VU2ABS, Basappa/VU2NXM, Chetan/VU3DMP, Deepak/VU2CDP, Gopal/VU2GMN (Team Leader), Govind/VU2GGM, Ramesh/VU2LU, Devadas/VU2DH, Krishna/VU2VKU, Prasad/VU2PTT, Ramachandra/VU2RCT, Ramachandra/VU2RCR, Rohit/VU2RDQ, Sanjay/VU2SJD,

Suhas/VU2SMN and Vishnumoorthy/VU2MTT. Activity will be on all HF bands using CW, SSB and RTTY; exploring 6m EME operations. They will have 4 stations on the air using the following equipment: Two Kenwood TS-2000, Two ICOM 756 Pro, Elecraft K3, Yaesu FT 847, Kenwood TS-950, Two Spider beams, SteppIR 3-element Yagi, SteppIR Big IR vertical, Wire and vertical antennas for the lower band operations, 18m Spider poles for Low band antennas, Force12 C3S Yagi, Yaesu Quadra VL1000 Amp, Kenwood TL-922 Amp, Yaesu FL2000 Amp, Ameritron ALS-500 Amp and Ameriton AL-811H Amp. QSL Manager will be W3HNK. A Web page will be available soon at: http://www.arsi.info/VU4PB

XU7, CAMBODIA. Nob, JA1FMZ, will be active once again as XU7FMZ from Cambodia between March 2-28th. This is his 9th trip/visit to Cambodia. Activity will be holiday style on 20-10 meters using only SSB. He plans to be in the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 5-6th) and the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 26-27th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (??) entry. QSL via JA1FMZ, direct, e-QSL or LoTW (see QRZ.com for details). Visit his Blog page at: http://DXvacation.com

XU7, CAMBODIA (Also 3W). Hiroo, JA2EZD, will be active as XU7SSB from Sihanoukville on two separate trips to Cambodia. Look for him this week between February 21-28th and a again between March 8-15th. QSL via his Laos address (see QRZ.com info). During his second visit, he is expected to team up with Nob/XU7FMZ and XU7NPC. Activity will probably be on all HF bands. ADDED NOTE: Hiroo, JA2EZD, will also visit Ho Chi Minh, Vietnam, in between his two visits to Cambodia between March 1-7th. He plans to be active as 3W6LI on the HF bands. Also QSL via his Laos address (see QRZ.com info).

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Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>

Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>

OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):

http://www.papays.com/opdx.html

ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:

http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html

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167. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 20th February 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-21 03:16:12 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20110220210005.61D8F33C51@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4757
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 20th February 2011

Request for Return of IRTS Trophies and Cups

It is time once again to recall all trophies presented at the 2010 IRTS, AGM held in Dundalk.

Trophies and Cups can be returned to the IRTS Stand at the Phoenix Radio Club Rally in Coolmine on Sunday February 20th 2011 or to any IRTS Committee Member before end of February 2011.

This will allow for any engraving to be done, or to allow any repairs as needed.

Early return will be appreciated. Peter EI4HX can be contacted on ei4hxperimental / at/eircom / dot/ net.

IRTS Awards Nominations.

The time is here again for nominations for the several awards for IRTS Trophies and cups that are required from within the membership, this includes the awards for,

1. Service to the Society or to Amateur Radio. Awards in this category can be to members or non-members.

2. Awards for other achievements.

Awards in this category [2] include the 4 and 6 Meter Shields, the SWL Award, and the awards for Quality Construction Projects. These are confined to members only.

When considering your nominations, please refer to previous successful winners as included in www.irts.ie/cgi/awards.cgi

Nominations may be from Clubs or Individuals, must be by post or e-mail, and can be forwarded to the Awards Committee Members, Pat EI2HX and Pat EI9HX, or to Peter Grant EI4HX, Chair of Awards Committee, QTHR, or by e-mail to ei4hxperimental/ at/ eircom/ dot/ net.

Closing date for nominations is February 30th 2011.

IRTS AGM Annual Dinner and Rally 2011

You are reminded of the importance of attending the IRTS AGM weekend, including Annual Dinner and Rally will be held this year on Saturday March 26th and Sunday March 27th. The event will be hosted by the Limerick Radio Club. The venue is the Radisson Blu Hotel, Ennis Road, Limerick.

For more information contact, Ger McNamara EI4GXB on 087 2532512 or ei4gxb/ at /gmail/ dot/ com. A new website for the Rally in Limerick on 27 March 2011 is now available, please go to http://limerickradiorally.com for more details.

The AGM dinner tickets priced at 35 are now available from Tony Condon at QTHR or by email to condona /at / eircom/ dot/ net.

International Marconi Day

International Marconi Day takes place this year on Saturday 30th April. The Howth Martello Radio Group will be participating once again as an award station using the call-sign EI0MAR.

This is not a contest but there are several nice awards available for working the officially listed stations, each of which has an historic connection with Marconi. The event is organised by the Cornish Amateur Radio Club. For more information please visit the club's website http://crac.g4usb.net/cracblog/.

EI0MAR operates from the Martello Tower overlooking the East Pier in Howth. The tower now houses a vintage radio museum. In 1905 the British Post Office carried out wireless telegraphy experiments at the tower in Howth using Marconi equipment.

Visitors are always welcome at the museum and the group hopes to see many visitors during the IMG event in April. The HMRG's website is www.ei0mar.org where a free information booklet in PDF format can be downloaded.

The North Cork Radio Group are pleased to announce that they will be active from the Marconi Signal Station at Goleen, Mizen Head, West Cork, where Marconi sent many of his first test transmissions to America.

Further details will be posted nearer the event, however, please pencil the day free if you'd like to attend or work the station. The Official call sign for the event will be EI-0-IMD and it is hoped we will be excepted on the official International Marconi Day Awards Program.

South East Amateur Radio Group

The South Eastern Amateur Radio Group and the Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club will ensure that Ireland again has its say in the 2011

International Geopark Communication weekend on 28 & 29 May, with special stations, likely EI2GEO again, at the Copper Coast Geopark and, likely GB2MAC again, at the Marble Arch Caves International Geopark in Fermanagh which straddles the border into Cavan.

Geoparks are areas recognised by UNESCO to have exceptional geological heritage. Across Europe there are 42 in 16 countries that include only these two on the island of Ireland. As well as the scientific interest, Geoparks are often major tourism attractions. There are six in Great Britain. This event, in its fourth year, was initiated by Martin Foster G3VOF and others with GB6GEO on the English Riviera Geopark.

LEARC's Alan Gault Gi6PYP will again be licence holder for GB2MAC. Last year's station, with mobile mast and caravan was in a hilltop lay-by just above the Caves entrance building. Six operators logged 51 QSOs with 16 countries, most in Europe, others as far east as Asiatic Russia, and west to USA, Cuba and Argentina.

Last year EI2GEO made many QSOs on various HF bands. On site were Francis EI5GOB, Declan EI5GRB, Jim EI8IG, John EI7IG, John EI8JA and Mark EI7IS. Saturday visitors included scouts interested in radio. Martin EI8FFB did some late night 40 and 20 metre operating. Special thanks to Jim EI8IG for the camper van.

Hopes for 2011 again are enjoyable amateur radio, involving a lot of club members in both Irish stations, north and south, and other Geopark stations in Great Britain and mainland Europe. Amateur radio is an international educational and scientific culture, so it is entirely appropriate that we be involved with Geoparks, recognised as they are by UNESCO - the United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural Organisation.

For more information contact

Mark Wall, EI7IS, SEARG P.R.O & Webmaster. Email markwall / at/ Vodafone / dot /ie

Michael Clarke, Mi5MTC, Chairman Lough Erne ARC. Email mi5mtc /at/ learc/ dot /eu

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South Eastern Amateur Radio Group

The Annual General Meeting of South Eastern Amateur Radio Group will take place on Monday 28th February in the Roanmore Social and Sports Centre, Cleaboy Road, Waterford. All are welcome.

For up to date information about the club, visit www.searg.com

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FERMANAGH in COUNTIES CONTEST

Until a couple of years ago, Fermanagh rarely featured in January's 80M counties contest, a gap well plugged now by Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club with its club station and other stations active this year and last.

LEARC's 2011 club station, set up by a team of eight at Herbie Gi6JPO's QTH on a hill-top in Cavanacaragh, near Enniskillen, logged about 73 QSOs and 28 counties, compared to 43 and 23 last year. Other logs duly submitted by 2 February brought Fermanagh's QSO total to near 120, across Ireland and including a few with Britain and mainland Europe.

These are very modest figures compared to many heard, or listed in 2010 results, yet a good measure of enjoyment of amateur radio together for club and county. It was good to see almost half of those involved were recent new Foundation licensed members building up experience. Two, both teenagers, are pictured Jamie Mi6JNU and Gemma Mi6GDM.

Michael Clarke, Mi5MTC, Chairman LEARC. Email mi5mtc/ at /learc /dot/ eu

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PEARL ANNIVERSARY RALLY - Sunday 17 April.

Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club asks anyone who was at its first Rally in April 1982 or others in the next three decades, to contact the Club with memories and memorabilia of events that were always well attended from North and South.

Cliff GI4CZW was Secretary in 1982, when he sent news of the first Enniskillen Rally to Short Wave Magazine. Down the years GI4CZW gathered memorabilia.

More stories and photographs are welcome for a display at this April's thirtieth rally.

RSGB and IRTS will both attend this special Pearl Anniversary rally, as will the usual displays set up by the Club's neighbours, West Tyrone Amateur Radio Club and the

Club's cousin, Mayo Radio Experimenters Network. Fermanagh Talking Newspaper will be there. More displays by Amateur Radio organisations are welcome.

The Club is keen to make its Pearl Anniversary Rally a grand celebration of thirty years of progress and companionship among radio amateurs and experimenters.

Contact Michael Clarke MI5MTC, Chairman, Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club. 3/048-6862-1436. mi5mtc / at / learc /dot / eu

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DX News

Nick G3RWF has returned to Uganda and will once again be active as 5X1NH. He will be mainly QRV using CW and hopes to operate all bands 80 - 10m. Look for him on the bands between now and April 14. QSL info is via the home call and also Logbook of the World.

A special event station is on the air from Las Palmas in the Canary Islands signing EG8ISS. The station is QRV from a local college campus and celebrates the first International Space Station contact with the college. They will be on the air till March 11th.

A trip to the Caribbean will see Jeff VA3QSL active from St Martin as FS/VA3QSL and from Saint Maarten as PJ7/VA3QSL. He will be there from February 23 - 27. Both calls count for IOTA NA-105 but are obviously different DXCC countries.

Svalbard will be on the air until February 25 when LA8XRA and LA9VDA activate their JW8XRA and JW9VDA call signs. They will probably be using the club station JW5E on Spitsbergen Island.

The well known DXpeditioner Baldur DJ6SI is now active from Chad as TT8DX. He operates mainly CW and will be there till February 24th.

The North Cork Radio Group

Today, 20th February we will be on air as EI1NC/P operating CASHOTA ref EI009/C from Blackrock Castle in Cork City

19th and 20th March we will be operating EI1NC/P from the original broadcast station of 6CK based in the Governors House at Cork city Gaol and Radio Museum, further enquires are to be made to ascertain if the event would be considered for stately home registration with CASHOTA Ireland, details to follow.

Sun Spot Activity

Following on from last week's item on solar flares, there was further evidence during the week of increased solar activity. On Tuesday last the sun unleashed its strongest flare in four years as NASA's Solar Dynamics Observatory recorded an intense burst of ultraviolet radiation from a sunspot. The Northern Lights (aurora borealis) have already been seen much further south than expected including in the north of Ireland. Further solar activity was expected over the following few days. It looks like the sun is awakening after several years of very low activity. Solar Cycle 24 is now predicted to peak in May of 2013.

Sunspot numbered 1158 which was responsible for the recent solar flare has expanded rapidly in recent days and further solar activity is expected. Chinese state media has already reported some disruption to short-wave radio communications. In 1972, a geomagnetic storm caused by a solar flare knocked out long-distance telephone communications across the State of Illinois in the USA, while in 1989 a similar storm plunged six million people into darkness in Quebec, Canada. Scientists have

about 30 minutes notice before the burst of charged particles from the sun hits the Earth's magnetic field.

Further sun spot activity is imminent.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

168. [DXNL] DXNL 1716 (Feb 23, 2011)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-21 22:25:54 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <136512442937.20110221232257@dxhf.darc.de>
Source record: 4758
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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(direct: dxnl@dxhf.darc.de)

translation by: Bob, DL7VOA
(direct: dl7voa@darc.de)

C6 - BAHAMAS, NA-001
Bill,NE1B (C6AWB), and Tom,N1GN, will take part in the multi/single
categories of the CQ 160m SSB Contest and ARRL DX SSB Contest (Mar 5/6)
signing C6ANM from New Providence on Nassau (NA-001, FL15).
QSL via LoTW or direct.

D4 - CAPE VERDE
Daniel,DF8UO/F5VMO, is working on Cape Verde until Feb 26 and received
the callsign D44TUO. He is working during the evening hours when he has
some spare time. His equipment includes a FT857 (100 watts), a vertical
and a dipole. Daniel prefers digital modes and CW.
QSL via bureau, direct, eQSL or LoTW to DF8UO.

J7 - DOMINICA, NA-101
Jan,DL7JAN, plans to become active as J79AN (callsign he applied for)
from Dominica (NA-101) between Feb 23 and Mar 6. Jan plans operation
in CW, SSB and RTTY on 40m-10m, maybe also on 80m, and wants to listen
especially for JA stations. QSL via bureau or direct to DL7JAN.

KG4 - GUANTANAMO BAY, NA-015
KG4AS (QSL via N4SIA), KG4KL (QSL via KN4KL), KG4SS (QSL via K4MIL)
and KG4WV (QSL via W4WV) will show up from Guantanamo Bay (NA-015)
in all modes on all bands between Feb 22 and Mar 8.

PJ4 - BONAIRE, SA-006
Bert,CX3AN, is visiting Peter,PJ4NX, on Bonaire (SA-006) since Feb 20
and will stay there until Mar 1. He is going to receive his callsign
upon arrival on the island and thus it was not known at the deadline.
QSL via homecall.

PJ7 - SINT MAARTEN, NA-105
Bil,PJ7/W8EB, and his XYL Dorothy,PJ7/W8DVC, will be active in CW, SSB,
RTTY and PSK31 on 160m-10m from Sint Maarten (NA-105) between Feb 21

and Mar 19. Bil will take part in the ARRL DX SSB Contest as PJ7B and
in all other RTTY contests during this time. All QSLs via W8EB.
More information is available online at: http://www.qsl.net/pj7b

ST - SOUTH SUDAN
The south of Sudan is going to become independent soon. As it looks
right now the south of Sudan may declare its independence on July 9.
It is very likely that the new country will get a new name without
"Sudan" in its name. There are already two DXpedition teams ready to
be there in time. One group includes Alex,5Z4DZ/PA3DZN, Robert,S53R,
and Martti,OH2BH. The "Intrepid-DX Group" led by Paul,N6PSE, plans an
activity as soon the country declares its independence. They already
applied for the callsign ST0DX though it is not clear yet if the south
of Sudan gets its old prefix ST0 back again.
Keep informed about the DXpeditions on the websites:
http://www.intrepid-dx.com and http://www.dxfriends.com

SV9 - CRETE, EU-015
Willi,SV9/DJ7RJ, will be on the air again from Crete (EU-015) from
Feb 24 until Mar 15. He plans to be active in CW and SSB on 160m-6m
but prefers working on the lowbands.
QSL cards should be sent via bureau or direct to his homecall.

T30 - WESTERN KIRIBATI, OC-017
Jacek,SP5EAQ, and Jacek,SP5DRH, are planning an activity as T30AQ and
T30RH from Tarawa (OC-017) from Mar 1-17. They will work in CW, SSB and
RTTY on 160m-10m. Jacek,SP5DRH, will focus on the 160m band, 80m and
30m in RTTY. Jacek,SP5EAQ, is a SSB operator and will take care of the
other bands. They will use two Elecraft K3 transceivers each with a
600 watts amplifier, Spiderbeams in a height of 18m and a GP5 antenna.
Their pilot station will be Rys,SP5EWY. QSLs via their homecalls.
More information can be found on: http://www.sp5drh.com/t30

V2 - ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA, NA-100
Babs,DL7AFS, and Lot,DJ7ZG, are staying on Antigua (NA-100) right now
and will spend their holidays there until March. They are using the
call V21ZG again working in RTTY, PSK and SSB on 80m-6m. They are
listening especially for JA and QRP stations.
QSL via DL7AFS, 100 % via bureau.

VP2M - MONTSERRAT, NA-103
Philip,WA1ZAM, will stay on the volcanic island Montserrat (NA-103)
from Mar 1-8. A callsign is not known yet but he wants to work on all
HF bands and in the ARRL DX SSB Contest. QSL via homecall.

XU - CAMBODIA / 3W - VIETNAM
Hiroo,JA2EZD, is signing XU7SSB from in Sihanoukville from Feb 21-28
and once again from Mar 8-15. In-between he will show up as 3W6LI on
all bands working from Ho Chi Minh City in Vietnam from Mar 1-7.
QSLs should be sent to: Hiroo Yonezuka, PO Box 10003, Vientiane, Laos.

6W - SENEGAL
Luc,F5RAV, will be back again in Senegal reactivating his call 6V7T
from Feb 26 until Mar 7. He also plans to take part in the upcoming
French HF Championship Contest (SSB) and the ARRL DX SSB Contest.
QSL via homecall, unfortunately only direct.

8P - BARBADOS, NA-021
Nathan,KA1YMX, will spend his holidays on Barbados (NA-021) between
Feb 26 and Mar 5. He has a K2 radio and wants to work in SSB and CW.
More information including his callsign is not know yet.
QSL cards should be sent only direct via his homecall.

9G - GHANA
Rob,PA3DEW, and Vincent,PA3FQX, are going to work again for the
"Dorma Ahenkro Hospital" from Mar 1-20. During this time they will
be active as 9G1AA mostly in SSB on 20m and 15m. QSL via PA3ERA.

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de
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The "3rd South American Lighthouses Weekend" will take place on
Feb 25-27. A list of ll participating stations can be found on:

http://www.grupodxbb.com.ar/faros2011

We will write about the upcoming DXpedition to Revilla Gigedo/XF4 in
our next issue. You can download a poster of this archipelago from:
http://picasaweb.google.com/EA4AK.Santos/4A4AVARIOS#5575726857431918898

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Feb 25-27: CQ WW 160m Contest, SSB
Feb 26/27: REF Contest
Feb 26/27: UBA DX Contest
Feb 27: HSC Contest

IOTA collected by Fredy,DE0MST (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AF-004, EA8, Canary Islands: Per,EA8/LA5EAA, is working from Gomera Island
until Feb 26. QSL via homecall (bureau/direct).

EU-026, JW, Spitsbergen Island (main): Glenn,LA8XRA, and Trond,LA9VDA, are
active from Svalbard signing JW8XRA and JW9VDA from Feb 20-25.
QSLs via homecalls (bureau/direct).

NA-066, W6, CA State South Group: Some members of the Palos Verdes ARC will
show up as K6PV from Santa Catalina Island (USI CA016S) from Feb 24-27.
QSL direct via K6PV (see QRZ.com).

OC-165, 9M8, Sarawak's Coastal Islands: John,9M6XRO, and Steve,9M6DXX, will be QRV as 9M6XRO/8 and 9M8Z/8 from Satang Besar Island from Feb 25-28. QSL via M0URX (bureau/direct/LoTW).

SA-016, PR8, Maranhao State Centre Group: Orlando,PT2OP, is going to become active as ZW8SM from Sao Luis Island (DIB-07, ARLHS BRA-191) from Feb 25-27. QSL direct via his homecall (see QRZ.com).

SA-071, PY2, Sao Paulo State Centre Group: The "Cantareira DX Group" will sign PR2M from Moela Island (ARLHS BRA-043, DIB SP-06, TWLHD PY-031, WLOTA 1335,DFB SP-07) from Feb 25-27. QSL via PY2DEZ (bureau/direct).

Lighthouse activities (WLOTA/ARLHS/ILLW)

ZW8SM LH 0299 Sao Luis Feb 25-27

Bandspots of the last 7 days

160m
TJ9PF 1.832 2330Z via F5OGL (B)

40m
TI5/N3KS 7.041 2339Z via N3YIM (d)
TM0WAP 7.136 1030Z WAP-197, via F8DHE (B)

30m
A45XR 10.120 1707Z (B)
EA2NN/p 10.120 1543Z SOTA VI-050 (d)
HS0ZBS 10.108 1846Z (B), eQSL
LA2PI 10.113 1623Z EU-055
LZ170MDS 10.104 1523Z (B)
TJ9PF 10.104 2357Z via F5OGL (B)

20m
EA1HNP/p 14.281 1024Z SOTA SP-276 (B), eQSL
EV85DOSAAF 14.007 1120Z via EW1WA
OY1CT 14.012 1610Z (d)
SV3IEG/1/p 14.280 1513Z SOTA AT-007
TJ9PF 14.190 0726Z via F5OGL (B)
TJ9PF 14.083 1218Z RTTY, via F5OGL (B)
TJ9PF 14.011 0914Z via F5OGL (B)
W7A 14.036 1557Z via AI4U (d)
3B8/F6HMJ 14.006 1612Z via F6HMJ (B)
6W/HA0NAR/p 14.040 0910Z AF-078, via HC (B)

17m
TT8DX 18.085 1530Z via DJ6SI (B)
TJ9PF 18.140 0957Z via F5OGL (B)
6W/HA0NAR 18.145 0910Z via HA0NAR (B)

15m
D44AC 21.024 1550Z (d)
HB10K 21.233 1013Z via EA7FTR
PV8ADI 21.020 1520Z (B), (L)

PY1/DJ4CW 21.007 1532Z via AI4U (d)
TJ9PF 21.010 1543Z via F5OGL (B)
TJ9PF 21.082 1149Z RTTY, via F5OGL (B)
YV5STJ 21.017 1537Z via YV5AJ (B)
3B8/SP2FUD 21.270 1547Z via SP2FUD (B), (L)

12m
TJ3AY 24.970 0957Z via F5LGE (B)
TJ9PF 24.960 1548Z via F5OGL (B)
TJ9PF 24.922 1228Z RTTY, via F5OGL (B)
3B8/SP2FUD 24.926 1302Z via SP2FUD (B), (L)
6W/HA0NAR 24.945 1000Z via HA0NAR (B)

10m
A61Q 28.013 0943Z via EA7FTR
TJ9PF 28.480 0939Z via F5OGL (B)
WP4SK 28.445 1655Z (B)
3B8/F6HMJ 28.010 1021Z via F6HMJ (B)

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(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(L) = LoTW
(r) = bureau QSL via e-mail request

As you can see in the bandspots TJ9PF was very active during the last week.
The team logged its last QSO on Feb 20 around 1200 UTC and the DXpedition
ended with 67.000 QSOs in the log. Very remarkable is a new DXpedition
record in RTTY with 17.000 QSOs in this mode. The complete online log is
available at: http://www.clublog.org/charts/?c=TJ9PF&a=embed

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

04Feb-24Feb 3B8/SP2FUD.. 1713
-Mar 3D2HC 1710
01Mar-07Mar 3W6LI 1716 *
-Dec 3Y8XSA 1700
-13Mar 4S7KKG 1706
-25Oct 5B50J 1700
08Feb-08Mar 5H/IK2GZU 1713
20Feb-14Apr 5X1NH 1715
-Apr/12 5Z4RH ? 1674

26Feb-07Mar 6V7T 1716 *
01Feb-31Mar 6W2SC/J5UAP 1712
05Feb-26Feb 6W/HA0NAR & J5 1713
26Feb-05Mar 8P (KA1YMX) 1716 *
01Mar-20Mar 9G1AA 1716 *
-Sep 9J2KK 1682
26Jan-Feb 9K50 1712

-Apr 9M2MRS 1697
NOW 9M6/KM9D 1699
25Feb-28Feb 9M8XRO/8.. 1715
SOON 9Q1EK 1669
-Nov 9Q6CC 1699
-Feb 9V1/DL4MN 1715

-Aug A92IO 1663
21Feb-27Feb AO1AAW 1715
-31Dec BP100 1684
-31Dec BV100 1684
Feb CJ1 & CK1 1713
-01May CN2PV 1714
-31Dec CW5RV 1711
-May D2AK 1675
-17Mar D2AM 1710
-22Apr D2QR 1675
-Feb D2SG 1692
-26Feb D44TUO 1716 *
-31Aug DL20Y2DM 1700

20Jan-08Mar EA8/IK1PMR.. 1712
13Feb-26Feb EA8/LA5EAA 1714
12Feb-11Mar EG8ISS 1715
-Aug FO8RZ 1636
20Feb-25Feb FO/K8AQM 1715
-Jul/12 FR8NE 1710
-Mar FT5YK/p.. 1715
13Jan-12Apr H44MS 1710
-31Dec HB60LU 1711
23Feb-12Mar HC1MD 1715
Feb HE3OM 1714
01Jan-31Dec HG200LST 1708
-30Jun HG2011A 1713
18Feb-05Mar HH4/K4QD.. 1715
26Jan-27Feb HI0RCD 1712
10Jan-07Mar HK3JCL 1709

01Jan-31Dec IA7MM 1708
01Jan-31Dec II1ITA.. 1708
21Feb-27Feb IO5ANT 1715
01Jan-31Mar IO7DAI 1708
-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul/12 J28RO 1683
09Feb-10Mar J37BO & J37RO 1714
09Feb-10Mar J37RF 1714
21Feb-28Mar J73CCM.. 1715
23Feb-06Mar J79AN 1716 *
16Feb-14Mar J88DR 1715
20Feb-25Feb JW8XRA.. 1715
24Feb-27Feb K6PV 1716 *

22Feb-08Mar KG4AS.. 1716 *
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
POSTPONED KH5 1674/1705

-31Dec LA200D 1713
-31Mar LM11SKI 1713
23Feb-28Feb LU1EEZ/D.. 1715
NOW LU1ZA (S.O.) 1695
-Mar OA/OE3NHW 1701
10Nov-24Feb OR4TN 1700
-Sep P29CW 1713
01Jan-31Dec PA30.. 1708
-Mar PJ2/DF7DQ 1712
-01Mar PJ4/CX3AN 1716 *
27Jan-03Mar PJ6/G4IUF 1712
21Feb-19Mar PJ7/W8EB.. 1716 *
23Feb-27Feb PJ7&FS/VA3QSL 1715
25Feb-27Feb PR2M 1716 *
15Feb-22Feb PZ5P 1714
-Dec RI1ANC 1708
24Feb-15Mar SV9/DJ7RJ 1716 *

01Mar-17Mar T30AQ & T30RH 1716 *
Oct -May T6JC & T6TL 1695
15Feb-17Mar TG7/N6ND 1715
14Feb-24Feb TT8DX 1714
12Feb-28Feb TM8AAW 1714
-Mar V21ZG 1716 *
16Feb-23Feb V31RR 1715
09Feb-01Mar V31TF 1714
-Feb V31YN & V31GW 1710
16Feb-30Mar V47JA.. 1715
12Feb-24Feb V4/W1USN 1714
22Feb-23Mar V5/DJ4SO 1715
02Mar V85/GD3OOK.. 1715
Nov -Mar/12 VK0KEV (Macq) 1700/1701
22Feb-05Mar VK9C/G6AY 1715
01Mar-08Mar VP2M (WA1ZAM) 1716 *
15Feb-23Feb VP5/AC8W.. 1715
26Jan-02Mar VY0JA 1712

-03Mar WA2USA/4 1714
NOW XT2RJA 1712
23Feb-08Mar XU7AFU 1711
12Feb-28Feb XU7SSB 1716 *
08Mar-15Mar XU7SSB 1716 *
-Sep ZD9GI 1691
-Feb ZF2AM 1715
-31Dec ZL50GH 1711
01Jan-31Mar ZL50VK 1708
-11Apr ZS8M 1674/1711

25Feb-27Feb ZW8SM 1716 *

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

CE3G via CE3WDH
CK1CDD via VE1CDD (B)
CR2A via OH2BH (B)
CR3L via DJ6QT (B)
CS2C via OK1RF
CT9/DL5AXX via DL5AXX (B)
CU7MD via CT3MD (B), (L)
DR40AGCW via DL3BZZ (B)
EA5GTQ (d), (L)
EA8OM via DJ1OJ (B), (L)
ED1Q via EA1QA (B), (L)
ED2V via EA2CJ (B), (L)
ED5TW via EB5HRX (B)
ED8A via EA8AY (L only)
EE3J via EA3JW (L)
EE3Y via EA3EYD (B)
EF5Y LoTW only
EG1SNA via EA1AHZ
EG1WAP via EA1GIB (B), (L)
EG7RDM via EA7HFS (B)
EM0K via US0KW (L), eQSL
EM15U via UT7UA (B)
EV25N via EW8NN
GB0ANT via M0OXO (B), (L)
HA40KKC via HA5MA (B), (L)
HB0/HB9LCW via HB9LCW (B), (L)
HB10K via EA7FTR
HS0ZGQ via DK8MZ (B)
II2S via IZ2FOS (B), (L), eQSL
II2V via IK2AQZ (B)
II3MNA via IQ3TS (B)
II8AAW via I8QJU (B), (L)
IN3ACQ (d), eQSL
IO2ANT via I2AZ (B)
IP1NAVY via IZ1HKE (L), eQSL
IP2ANT via IK2QPR (B)
IP3ANT via IN3UFW (B)
IP8AAW via IK8FIQ
K0ANT via KB0MZF
KH2/N2NL via W2YC (B)
KH6LC via WA6WPG
KH7X via K2PF (B)
PA11CC via PA7HPH (B)
PA6R via PI4RTD (B)

PA6Y via PI4RCK (B), (L)
PI4DX via PD1DX (B)
PY1/DJ4CW via AI4U (d)
PZ5P via UA4LU (B)
RU3C via RD3BY
SD0R via SM0KCR (B)
SN25KVZ via SP9RTZ or SP9KVZ
SN51ATY via SP7ATY
SN51CCB via SP7CCB (B), (L)
SN51EQB via SQ7EQB (B), eQSL
SN51HUM via SQ7HUM (B)
SN51MHN via SQ7MHN (B), (L)
TM0WAP via F8DHE (B), (L), eQSL
TM3T via F5UQN (B)
TM38O via F6ITD (B), (L)
TM45RY via F6FNL (d), (L), eQSL
TM8AAW via F8DVD (B)
TM90RCNF via F8KKH (B)
TT8DX via DJ6SI (B)
UK8GK via RW6HS (d)
UK8OM via 4Z5OG (d)
UN2E via DF6PB (B)
UW0U via UT7UT
UX4U via US7UX (B), (L), eQSL
VP9/W6PH via W6PH (B)
VU2UR via SM3DBU (B)
W0S via JA1HGY (B)
W7A via AI4U (d)
WH0DX via JM1LJS (B)
WP3A via K2DER (d)
WP4WW via EA7FTR
XE3TT via EA5KB (B)
XV2FPS via OK1FPS (B)
XV2GE via OE3GEA (B)
YB2EUZ via (B) or RW6HS (d)
YS1RS via EB7DX (d)
ZA1E via I2MQP (B)
ZF2AM via K6AM (B)
9A50Z via 9A1CAZ (B)
9K2/SP4R via SP4GFG

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(B) = bureau ok
(*) = new QSL manager
(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) = e-mail request

QSLs arrived direct: P43JB

QSLs arrived bureau: EA5KB/p (SPA-10), EM0WFF (URFF-029), EN65JK (UU4JWF),
EX8MAT, FG/FR1AN (NI5DX), FR/F5OUW, HF200QTC, HG0WFF,

K5D (Desecheo, via N2OO), LA/OK1AMM (EU-055),
LZ05WFF (LZFF-077),LZ1100SN (LZ1ZF),LZ44WFF (LZFF-017),
MC0SHL (M0URX), OG0A (OH2BH), OY9R, PH75AJU (PA3CAL),
PJ2/N4QQ, SN600G (SP9PKZ), TS7C (AF-073, via F4EGD),
V88/DL7JAN (OC-088), XU7TZG (ON7PP), YI9WV (NI5DX),
4U30VIC (4U1VIC), 5I3A (UA3DJY), 6W/DL1DA,
9M8DXX (DL2QT), 9M8XXW (DJ8XW)

CQWW 160m Contest, SSB - Further announcements:

The CQWW 160m Contest in SSB will take place on Feb 25-27.
Following stations announced to be active (and were not mentioned before):

Call Class QSL route

C31CT SO HP EA3QS
C6ANM Multi/Single LoTW
CN2FF Multi OP DK4VW
D4C SO HP CT1ESV
ED1L Multi OP EA1EJ
ED9NA Multi OP EA9GW
IH9YMC SOLP eQSL
OL7M Multi OP LoTW
UA2FB Multi OP DK4VW
UK9AA Single OP direct
UT5A Multi OP UR5AS
UU7J Multi OP UU0JM
V31GW Single OP DG7RO
ZF2AM SOHP K6AM & LoTW

Many thanks for contributing to this issue of the DXNL are going to:
Carl Smith (QRZ DX), 425DXNews, OPDX Bulletin, DF6EX (WIN-QSL), DJ5AV,
DJ6VM, DK8JB, DL1MDV, DL1SBF, DL7VOA, EA4AK, F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX,
F5NQL, NG3K, PY2ZA and others.

The German PDF version can be found on the DARC homepage at:
http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxmb/2011

Subscribe or unsubscribe to the DXNL mailing list yourself at:
http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxnl

169. Welcome to rec.radio.info!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-22 07:00:05 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/rec-radio-info/welcome-1-1298358001@panix.com>
Source record: 4759
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.info,rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.answers,news.answers

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/rec-radio-info/welcome
Revision: 1.4 2008/02/09 19:36:10
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

*** Welcome to rec.radio.info! ***

Welcome to rec.radio.info, a group that aims to provide a noise-free
source of information and news for the entire rec.radio hierarchy.

Two introductory articles about rec.radio.info are posted to the group
every month. You are now reading the first article, which explains what
rec.radio.info is, and answers some Frequently Asked Questions. The
second article is titled Posting Guidelines, and you only need to read
it if you want to submit an article to rec.radio.info.

You can skip to the next section of this article by searching for the
next
" -- " string. The sections available are:
- What is the purpose of rec.radio.info?
- Why are messages almost always cross posted to rec.radio.info?
- What is a 'follow-up', and what does 'moderated' mean?
- OK, so now I know what 'moderated' means. Tell me more.
- What type of material is considered inappropriate?
- I do not have access to news, how can I get the information posted to
rec.radio.info?
- Will the material appearing in rec.radio.info be archived somewhere?
- I have a regular posting with timely information, is there a way to
speed up it's delivery, or automate for more convenience?

-- What is the purpose of rec.radio.info?

The purpose or charter of rec.radio.info is to provide the Usenet
community with a resource for information, news, and facts about any and
all things radio.

All the other rec.radio groups are intended for discussions and general
chit chat about radio. Rec.radio.info will contain informational,
factual articles only. Follow-ups are redirected to an appropriate other
group, and further discussion (if any) will not take place in
rec.radio.info.
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In order to ensure that rec.radio.info contains only appropriate articles, it was decided to create the group as a moderated newsgroup.

-- Why are messages almost always cross posted to rec.radio.info?

It provides a "tag" for each article to be assembled into a filtered presentation in rec.radio.info (even with cross-posting, only one message, with a unique Message-ID, is propagated across the net). This tag also facilitates a pre-existing method of dropping or canceling the articles locally within the discussion groups if you don't want to see them. This accommodates individuals who want to separate the bulletins from the discussions, discussions from the bulletins, as well as those who are adamant about not reading another newsgroup and wanted to see everything all in one basket.

With the total size of Usenet (in number of newsgroups and total traffic) doubling every year or so, this is no insignificant contribution to reducing information noise and chaos. Making the discussion groups a catch-all, and making extra newsgroups filters on that catch-all, is also the most realistic way to implement such a scheme (It's not intuitively obvious what the charter, contents, and general appropriate topics for each and every newsgroup are. Seeing FAQ's and charter/intro postings in the home newsgroup is beneficial for new readers).

By cross-posting one only is adding a few tens of bytes to each bulletin (to specify the extra group on the Newsgroups line), but are adding the capability for very powerful filtering features available on most news servers, listservers and readers. Your local news guru could probably explain these features in more detail.

In rn, for example, according to Leanne Phillips in her rn kill-file FAQ, add a line of the form:

/Newsgroups:.*[,]rec\.radio\.info/h:j

either in ~/News/KILL (if you don't want to see rec.radio.info articles anywhere) or ~/News/rec/radio/amateur/misc/KILL (if you don't want to see them just in rec.radio.amateur.misc). The latter method means your kill file will only be consulted during rec.radio.amateur.misc (and hence runs more efficiently), and will probably work for most people.

In nn, according to Bill Wohler in his nn FAQ, add a line of the form:

rec.radio.info:!s/:^

in ~/.nn/kill (if you don't want to see rec.radio.info articles anywhere), or put the following lines:

sequence
rec.radio.info
rec.radio.

at the end of ~/.nn/init in order to see all the rec.radio.info bulletins first, then read the remaining rec.radio.* without the

bulletins.

In slrn, according to the srln FAQ, the following scoring rule will | allow you to see rec.radio.info-crossposted bulletins, while still | filtering out most SPAM or "Velveeta" crossposted to more than 2 | newsgroups (as such articles usually do not contain a 'Followup-To:' | header): |

Score: -9999 |
Newsgroups: ,.*, |
~Followup-To: . |

More information about kill files may be obtained from Dave Fawthrop's Killfile FAQ at:

http://www.hyphenologist.co.uk/killfile/

-- What is a 'follow-up', and what does 'moderated' mean?

If you are new to Usenet and are not familiar with the terminology, you might want to read the general introductory articles found in the newsgroup news.announce.newusers. Doing so will make your life on the net much easier, and will probably save you from making silly beginner's mistakes.

If you think that at this moment you are reading an echo, a conference, or a bulletin board, I'd also strongly suggest a trip over to news.announce.newusers.

For the rest of this article, we will assume you have a basic knowledge of Usenet terminology and mechanics.

A moderated group means that any article that needs to be posted to the group has to be accepted by the moderator of the group. Since we need to ensure that followups to an article (discussion) do not show up in the rec.radio.info newsgroup, the `Followup-To:' header line contains a newsgroup that is appropriate for discussions about the specific article.

-- OK, so now I know what 'moderated' means. Tell me more.

Rec.radio.info is a moderated newsgroup, which means that all articles submitted to the group will have to be approved by the moderator first.

The current moderator of the group is the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team. Submissions to rec.radio.info can be posted, or e-mailed to:

rec-radio-info@panix.com

Comments, criticisms, suggestions or questions about the group can be e-mailed to:

rec-radio-info-request@panix.com

But before you do so, please be sure to check out the "Posting Guidelines" article.

The influence of the moderator should be minimal and of an administrative nature, consisting chiefly of weeding out obviously inappropriate articles, while making sure correct headers etc. are used for the appropriate ones.

-- What type of material is considered inappropriate?

There are three broad categories of articles which will be rejected by the moderator:

1) Requests for information: rec.radio.info is strictly a one-way street. We receive information in our mailbox; we then post it to rec.radio.info. Requests for specific information belong in the normal discussion newsgroups. If your request gets answered, you might consider passing the answer on to rec.radio.info, though. Especially if you can edit it into a informational, rather than a discussion, format.

2) Obvious discussion articles, or articles that appear unsubstantiated.

3) Commercial stuff: a relatively unbiased test of a radio product would be accepted, but any hint of for-profit might be reason for rejection. For three reasons: This is not the purpose of the list, for-profit is a controversial topic, and this list may be passed onto Amateur Packet Radio (where for-profit is prohibited except under certain provisos).

rec.radio.swap may be more deserving of the posting in any matter.

Similarly, copyrighted material generally cannot be used. If it's TRULY worthwhile to the net, We would recommend obtaining permission from the copyright holder. Please note the source, and if permission was given. We reserve the right to make the final decision concerning appropriateness in all situations. In most cases, a brief summary of, or pointer to, the copyrighted information may be all we can allow.

-- I do not have access to news, how can I get the information posted to rec.radio.info?

Google has an excellent web interface to Usenet newsgroups. It is available at:

http://groups.google.com

It supports both reading and posting.

Another excellent web interface to at least the radio-related Usenet newsgroups is the RadioBanter site:

http://www.radiobanter.com

sponsored by the NewsgroupBanter project:

http://www.newsgroupbanter.com

It, too, supports both reading and posting.

-- Will the material appearing in rec.radio.info be archived somewhere?

Yes. See Google Groups and RadioBanter above.

Effectively this means that anything you post to rec.radio.info will be permanently stored, so your work will not be lost.

-- I have a regular posting with timely information, is there a way to speed up it's delivery, or automate for more convenience?

Yes, there is! It may take a bit of chatter with the moderator, but we are willing to take responsible people and provide them the means of posting the articles directly from their site. We will try everything we can as we fully realize that DX (distant signal) and astronomical data can be somewhat transitory. We are also willing to allow regular posters of information the same courtesy, even if the information is not as time critical.

We refer to this as self-moderation, which is partly based on the model for rec.answers/news.answers. This requires co-operation and goodwill to be beneficial to the community in the rec.radio hierarchy.

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms about this article to rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

(Adapted, with permission, from the original article written by Mark Salyzyn, AG4YD, ex-VE6MGS.)

170. rec.radio.info Posting Guidelines

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-22 07:05:03 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/rec-radio-info/guidelines-1-1298358301@panix.com>
Source record: 4760
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.info,rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.answers,news.answers

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/rec-radio-info/guidelines
Revision: 1.5 2007/03/22 16:30:49
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

*** rec.radio.info - Posting Guidelines and Etiquette ***

Two introductory articles about rec.radio.info are posted to this group
and to rec.answers/news.answers every month. You are now reading the
second article, which explains how to submit something to
rec.radio.info, and which answers some Frequently Asked Questions about
the submission process. The first article is titled "Welcome to
rec.radio.info", and it might be a good idea to check it out as well.

-- How do I submit something to rec.radio.info?

Two possibilities. You can use your newsreading software to just post
the article to rec.radio.info, as you would do with any other
newsgroup. The difference is that the software recognizes the special
status of rec.radio.info as a moderated group, and will e-mail your
article to us, the moderation team, instead of posting it to the group.

Alternatively, you can mail your article directly to us at the following
address:

rec-radio-info@panix.com

Mailing us directly is probably (a wee bit) faster, but using the
transparency offered by the newsreading software is probably more
convenient.

If you have any questions, or wish to deal with some administrivia with
the moderation team, we suggest mailing to the following address:

rec-radio-info-request@panix.com

-- How soon will I see my article appear?

It depends on how busy we are. Your article reaches us as mail, we have
to read it first, give it the stamp of approval, and finally send it on
to the group. We will attempt to read and decide on all submissions
within 72 hours at the very least, though we will probably be able to
process submissions much faster in actual practice.
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The site from which we moderate this newsgroup, "Public Access Internet and Unix, NYC" (Panix), is directly connected to the Internet, and articles posted at that site should appear at most major news sites, including Google Groups, the same day. The principal delay, therefore, will be the wait in the moderator's submission queue.

If you post a periodic article, and have shown to be trustworthy, we may allow you to post directly if the article is of a timely nature. See the section below on direct posting.

-- Should my article be in a specific format?

No. If it is not totally illegible, we will accept it, and if it does not have a correct subject-line we will correct it with your permission -- that's what a moderator is for.

However.

You could do us a big favor by making sure your article conforms to these simple requirements:

1) The article must present information, not discussion or requests, We will reject the article or require you to change the wording if it is worth it.
2) A good, descriptive Subject line.
3) Always mention what source you got the information from.
4) Don't forget to include a Followup-To header, at least if you don't want further discussion to automatically be forwarded to you, the poster, which is the default if the article is only posted to rec.radio.info.

As we said: if your article is appropriate we will post it even if you don't follow these guidelines, but then don't blame us for not processing it immediately. 'Perfect' articles we can send on with a couple of keystrokes. Stuff that needs minor editing is going to have to wait until we have time to do so.

Please do not waste both our and your time by posting requests, as this is an information only news group.

-- What about crossposting?

If you send something to rec.radio.info, just name any group you'd like to cross-post to in the Newsgroups field. Then, when we approve the article for rec.radio.info it will get automatically cross-posted to any other groups mentioned. This will also override the default Followup-To: poster, replacing it with the groups you cross posted to.

We would prefer if the group be cross-posted to the various discussion groups in the rec.radio.* hierarchy that are appropriate:

rec.radio.amateur.misc Amateur (ham) radio and related matters
rec.radio.amateur.packet Amateur Packet Radio discussions
rec.radio.amateur.policy Amateur Radio practices, rules, etc.
rec.radio.noncomm Non commercial radio discussions

rec.radio.shortwave International broadcasting on the 'HF' bands
rec.radio.cb Citizens Band (27 MHz) discussion
rec.radio.scanner Scanner discussions (unsupported group)

or in one of the moderated groups:

rec.radio.amateur.moderated Amateur radio practices, rules, etc.
rec.radio.broadcasting Discussion of *domestic* radio broadcasting

We will leave it up to the poster to decide which group(s) are appropriate, but reserve the right to add groups if we feel it has broader interest. We will consult with the poster first.

Notes on crossposting:

- rec.radio.broadcasting is also a moderated group. The rec.radio.broadcasting moderator prefers to review all articles himself before posting. Placing rec.radio.broadcasting before rec.radio.info on the Newsgroups line should accomplish this. We will typically abide by the rec.radio.broadcasting moderator's decision whether the article is appropriate for rec.radio.info.

- rec.radio.amateur.moderated is also a moderated group. As the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team manages both rec.radio.amateur.moderated and rec.radio.info, we can manage crossposting and approvals for both newsgroups. The rec.radio.amateur.moderated group does not allow crossposting to other discussion newsgroups, whether moderated or unmoderated. However, we would like to manage rec.radio.info as consistently as possible with how it was done by previous moderators, including the grandfathering of existing regular postings. Therefore, the submitter can choose rec.radio.amateur.moderated or the other unmoderated rec.radio.amateur.* discussion newsgroups for crossposting, but not both.

- Any FAQ or informational posting approved by the rec.answers/news.answers moderation team that is also crossposted to any rec.radio.* newsgroup (besides just rec.radio.info) is also automatically pre-approved for rec.radio.info. See below for more information.

If you post to another moderated group, it may be better to make special arrangements with both moderators before posting by contacting us at our administrivia addresses.

In addition, cross-posts do not take up extra space; modern newsreaders can be configured to show you cross-posted articles only once anyway; not everybody reads rec.radio.info; and rec.radio.info was never meant to reduce the volume of the regular discussion newsgroups. But keep in mind that some of the mail gateways may filter out the informational postings (at request of the subscribers) to keep the load down.

You decide.

-- I have a regular posting with timely information, can I make arrangements to help speed up delivery by posting directly from my site?

Yes, there is! It may take a bit of chatter with the moderator, but we are willing to take responsible people and provide them the means of posting the articles directly from their site. We will try everything we can as we fully realize that DX (distant signal) and astronomical data can be somewhat transitory. We are also willing to allow regular posters of information the same courtesy, even if the information is not as timely.

We refer to this as self-moderation, which is partly based on the model for rec.answers/news.answers. This requires cooperation and good will to be beneficial to the community in the rec.radio.* hierarchy.

If you are currently maintaining (or plan to maintain) a radio-related periodic information posting, you may wish to consider crossposting it to rec.answers/news.answers. Postings that are approved by the rec.answers/news.answers moderators for this treatment are automatically pre-approved for crossposting to rec.radio.info (as the news.answers requirements are far more rigorous than the requirements this newsgroup ever plans to use). For more information about this option, consult the appropriate information articles and posting guidelines in rec.answers/news.answers.

Realize also, that even if your post is not approved for rec.answers/news.answers, it can still be approved for rec.radio.info. The intention is not so much to get every last bit of radio-related information on rec.answers/news.answers, but rather to provide an alternative avenue of approval (as well as grandfather existing maintainers of radio-related information and spare them additional bureaucratic hurdles). Again, crossposting to either rec.radio.info or rec.answers/news.answers, both, or neither, is at the discretion of the poster (subject to the approval of the moderators). You decide what is most appropriate for your article.

Please remember that as an information maintainer, you are not alone. There are many others on the net who maintain and post periodic information postings, using various intermediate-to-advanced features of Usenet (usually via automated tools). Various degrees of technical support and general hand-holding are available from many Usenet veterans. Send us some E-mail describing your needs to our administrative address below, and we'll try to help, or at least refer you to the right knowledgeable individual(s).

-- And Follow-ups?

If the only newsgroup you have specified is rec.radio.info, then the Followup-To: field will always be set to poster. If you do not want this, you must supply a Followup-To line of your own, and we will honor that one, as long as it is a subset of the original Newsgroups line.

If you specify newsgroups to cross-post to, then the Followup-To field will be set to include all the cross-posted groups, excepting rec.radio.info itself. Again, if you do not wish this behavior, supply your own Followup-To line.

We maintain other standards on the various RFC-1036 (news transport) header lines. For example, if the article is appropriate for passing into the Packet Radio Information Network, we encapsulate the Packet Bulletin Identifier (BID) in the Message-ID: news header line indicating the machine of origin as the ampr.org domain:

Message-ID: <$opa.55.1994@ampr.org> |

where the Packet Radio BID, in this example, is `$OPA.55', and it was posted in the year 1994, because some of the Bid numbers are cycled yearly. Hopefully, this can be used as a key to re-introduce the articles for the Packet Radio network. Also, if the article is a repost of an already existing information article in the rec.radio heirarchy, we ensure that the References: header line is linked to that previously posted article. This also helps to tag articles, and may be used for additional filtering if needed.

Since the articles are archived, please use the Summary and Keywords header lines to help one search for your article.

-- Why have I received no reply from you?

We never reject anything in silence, and we make a point of it to answer all our mail. However, E-mail, like a brain cell, can and does get lost, every now and again.

So, if you send us something, and you don't see it appear it rec.radio.info, and you still have not heard from us in reply after say, five days, you can be pretty sure that either your mail never reached us, or that our answer has never reached you. In that case, please try again (We will filter out duplicates).

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms about this article to rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

(Adapted, with permission, from the original article written by Mark Salyzyn, AG4YD, ex-VE6MGS.)

171. pretty heroine hot videos&photos

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-22 13:55:58 UTC
From: SAMARA <jaidatta9247@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <58996607-11af-469d-ab44-da168c58fb25@u23g2000pro.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4761

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http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/diya-mirza.html
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http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/aish.html
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KATRINA SEXY PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/katrina.html
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http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/anuska.html

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http://sexy-rainsongs.blogspot.com/p/funny-video.html
TELUGU FUNNY VIDEOS
http://sexy-rainsongs.blogspot.com/p/telugu-funny-videos.html

172. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-22 21:02:36 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <6a77ae08-885a-4026-be68-9c6ad6a37211@t13g2000prc.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4762

On Feb 22, 8:55 am, SAMARA <jaidatta9...@gmail.com> wrote:
> SEXY DIYA MIRZA

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173. HOT NEVER HOT VIDEOS PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-24 08:06:18 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <9356d04e-5cf2-4b7c-803f-e246f5152138@d23g2000prj.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4763

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http://alltoux.blogspot.com/2010/09/hot-lip-kiss-135.html

hot lip kiss

HOT LIP KISS 109
http://alltoux.blogspot.com/2010/09/hot-lip-kiss-109.html
HOT LIP KISS 115
http://alltoux.blogspot.com/2010/09/hot-lip-kiss-115.html
HOTLIP KISS 87
http://alltoux.blogspot.com/2010/09/hotlip-kiss-87.html
HOT LIP KISS 124
http://alltoux.blogspot.com/2010/09/hot-lip-kiss-124.html
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dotnet questions 3
http://allinterviewsquestions.blogspot.com/2009/02/dotnet-questions-3.html

174. ADULT HOT PHOTOS&VIDEOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-24 15:41:35 UTC
From: BASS <dalermehandi9247@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <2166ddea-d533-4980-bea5-23ed5c3f358a@t13g2000prc.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4764

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priyamani hot&sexy photos
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/priyamani.html
KATRINA SEXY PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/katrina.html
ANUSHKA HOT PHOTOS
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175. MMMonVHF Newsletter 2011-02-24

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-24 16:27:40 UTC
From: MMMonVHF News Mailer <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <201102241311.p1ODB6ke013121@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 4765
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our lastet NEWSLETTER of the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2011-02-24
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter one or two times per week.
For further detail please be so kind and refer at our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - welcome and enjoy ...

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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** Solar Flare's for our newer VHF DXers **

What is now happening on the sun, the earth and to radio
propagation is likely new to our colleagues licensed in the
past five years. This is for them .... Solar Flare Theory
Click here: http://hesperia.gsfc.nasa.gov/sftheory/index.htm
SOURCE: W0WOI via VHF Reflector!
Dont forget to report your AURORA QSOs to MMMonVHF:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/au.php if an AURORA occurs next weeks...

** ON4KST Chat REGION 3 Logger for 50 MHz & 144 and up live **

ON4KST has created additional logger pages now on his excellent
ON4KST chat site for us in Region 3: www.on4kst.org/chat/index.php
look for 50 MHz Region 3 and 144/432 Region 3 logger pages.
Plenty of ZL and VK's already registered and uing the site. All
welcome on this excellent site thats been running successfully for
many years. 73 SOURCE: Simon ZL4PLM via [zlvhfcontest]

** INFO around 8J1AXA **

Webpages of 8J1AXA (Project KDES 2008) will be closed on March.
31st. 2011. The pages will be moved and new access address is:
http://gongon.com/8j1axa/ Please change your bookmark for the
project. Thanks in advance. 73 JM1WBB Webmaster of Project KDES
SOURCE: tnx to Isao, JM1WBB direct to MMMonVHF

** New Zealand earthquake, Christchurch (ZL3) **

With the New Zealand earthquake death toll now at 98, authorities have mounted the country's largest-ever rescue operation in a bid to save as many of the 226 missing people as they can. Since Tuesday's 6.3 magnitude earthquake leveled New Zealand's second-largest city, Christchurch, officials have been scrambling to mount what has become the largest search-and-rescue operation in the South Pacific nation's 170-year history. The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF is happy to report that we have positiv reports from Starr, ZL3CU and Rod, ZL3NW and their families that nothing serious have had happened to them in person... SOURCE: Guy, DL8EBW, MMMonVHF Team

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: HS0 ; Square: OK16 ; Start: 2011-02-06 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3638
MMMonVHF-DX-Blog: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/showblog.php?ca=HS0ZIL

LATEST NEWS from Karsten, dated 2011-02-23: After QSO with RV9UV had to move the complete antenna system to another place ! Working the whole day in the sun with temperatures around 38 degrees!!! In the late afternoon the work was finish and the thunderstorm coming. So not QRV during moonrise! This morning sleeping long time because feeling all my bones, HI!! Think i will be QRV this moonrise!! Photo from new antenna area available on Front of MMMonVHF and for my follower (dl2lah) on Twitter and Facebook!! Hope to see you via the moon!!!! SOURCE: tnx Karsten, DL2LAH/HS0ZIL direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: C56 ; Square: IK13 ; endet meantime **
USE our REVIEW - click C56EME: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/review.php

LAST EME NEWS and NEWSFLASH from the C56-Team, dated 2011-02-22: Eleventh day at the moon. We worked 361 inits on 144 MHz and 11 inits on 432 MHz. Yesterday evening we could add 5 more and now we closed down. We dismantled the station and cleaned all cables / elements. The wind and the salt seawater made everything very dirty. Our log is online on http://www.emelogger.com/gambia and we updated a lot of photos or YouTube movies.
73 from Atletico Team C56EME Rene PE1L, Eltje PA3CEE and Johan PE9DX
New plans already have been discussed for another DXpedition in 2012
All QSL via PA3CEE (see QRZ.com): Drs. Eltje Veen, Wirdumerweg 35 NL-9917 PB WIRDUM (Gn) THE NETHERLANDS SOURCE: Atletico Team C56EME

** DXCC: GM ; Square: IO75 ; Start: 2011-05-01 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3703

Camb-Hams members Bob G1SAA, Terry G3VFC, Martin G3ZAY, Colin G4ERO, Colin G8TMV, Mark M0MJH, Rob M0VFC, Steve M1ACB and Gavin M1BXF will be active on the 1-8th of May 2011 from the Isle of Arran (IOTA EU-123, IOSA CL01, SCOTIA CS14). QTH will be a rented cottage on the west of the island near Balliekine (WW Loc. IO75HO) As usual most HF bands will be activated with SSB, data and some CW. VHF wise they will be on 6m and 4m SSB/data (JT6m) and being a little more south than Harris they will again activate 2m both SSB/data (FSK441). If they have time, they will also be active on 2m and 70cm satellites. This year the CRG (Cambridgeshire Repeater Group) has a new callsign G6PYE which they will use alongside the traditional G3PYE, as the activation is in Scotland the prefix becomes GS for a club station in Scotland. Listen out for both GS3PYE/p and GS6PYE/p. QSL direct or via bureau to M0VFC.
Website: dx.camb-hams.com/
SOURCE: [rsgbiota.org] via ICPO Bulletin (18-25 February 2011)

** DXCC: LA ; Square: KQ50 ; Start: 2011-08-081 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3702

Yet another rare northern scandinavian Square: KQ50 in Perseids Avtivity will be from Jussi, LA/OH6ZZ at Loc KQ50 between 2011-Aug-08 until 13rd QTV from DXCC LA in 144 MHz MS/EME OH8K-team; Sami OH9GDT and Jussi OH6ZZ again pedition to northern LA. Square will be KQ50ab. More info later...
SOURCE: tnx to Jussi, OH6ZZ direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** Afganistan, T6, active again on 50 MHz **

T6PSE will be on air in next may also on 6m with a with a verical Stepp-ir and a 5 el Yagi M2 6m5. rig will be ic700 and PA Acom 1010. T6PSE web site http://www.intrepid-dx.com/t6pse/index.php
SOURCE: (QSP de IK0FTA) /19 Feb. 2011 via CQ Six - 50 MHz DX News

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** V2 - ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA, NA-100, active again on 50 MHz **

Babs,DL7AFS, and Lot,DJ7ZG, are staying on Antigua (NA-100) right now and will spend their holidays there until March. They are using the call V21ZG again working in RTTY, PSK and SSB on 80m-6m. They are listening especially for JA and QRP stations. QSL via DL7AFS, 100 % via bureau. SOURCE: [DXNL] DXNL 1716 (Feb 23, 2011)

** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next thursday 2359 UTC ...

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The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF - Newsletter Credits & Info
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Our Newsletter is compiled from the input of the USER of the
VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF and as well by a lot of free usable
HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats
like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USER who did send us info and News **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/kontact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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176. WIANEWS FOR WEEK COMMENCING FEB 27 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-24 19:39:30 UTC
From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
Message-ID: <87de7afe-dc68-4fd9-bd13-b39f6a6949b9@smxsrv01.vintek.net>
Source record: 4766
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2011-02-27.mp3
Text edition:
THE BEST NEWS YOU'LL GET ALL WEEK

Oh... and to contact us with your news because
If It Matters To You It Matters To Us!

email nationalnews@wia.org.au

http://www.wia.org.au (click news in member area) Submit your audio news

TWITTER http://twitter.com/VK1WIA

Please.. If you are only submitting text and not audio, write your story as
you would expect to hear it being read back and NEVER send just links & url's.

WIANEWS FOR WEEK COMMENCING FEB 27 2011.

CANTERBURY / CHRISTCHURCH EARTHQUAKE

JEFFS WALK2

SOARING SORBENT

Inside Amateur Radio magazine for March

ALL THESE STORIES UP AND COMING IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS
INSTITUTE OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING FEBRUARY 27 2011.

Jeff Johnson VK4XJJ, with the Gympie Radio Club supporting, set to walk
across Australia from Cape Byron to Steep Point operating his FT817.

JEFFS WALK2 (for NETS) steps off 24th April and is expected to last 162 days.

The crossing is approximately 5,000 kms.

Geoff will transmit on 7045Khz each evening at 1730 AEST.

20m and 80m will also be used on some sections.

jeffswalk2.com and
nets.org.au

Rail crossing safety with the help of RF!

New technology by La Trobe University, to have cars and trains `talking' to each other, could save an average of 37 lives every year and an estimated 100 million dollars, by eliminating rail crossing collisions, especially in rural and regional Australia.

A $4 million project by the University's Centre for Technology Infusion, in partnership with the Australian Automotive Co-operative Research Centre, the Victorian Department of Transport and Queensland University of Technology, intends to have the technology up and running in three years.

It involves dedicated mobile-phone-style wireless networks running in the 5.9 GHz band.

www.latrobe.edu.au/

http://www.radiocomms.com.au/articles/43319-Rail-crossing-safety

(Sourced from the from the Radio Comms E-Zine)

COAST Guard Noosa is facing a potential communications setback with one of the most vital cogs in the system in short supply.

The call has gone out for trainee volunteer radio operators as the flotilla is under continued pressure to maintain the 24/7 safety net for boaties.

Radio operators play a vital role as the first line of defence for boaties in trouble, ready to instantly activate rescue crews when distress calls are received but it would seem none are available in the area!

New recruits are provided with extensive and professional training beginning immediately they join, and which is recognised Australia-wide.

Anyone interested in becoming a radio operator can register with Coast Guard Noosa.

07 5474 3695.

IT'S A GEM MATE

A spokesperson for the Australian government's Digital Switchover Taskforce has confirmed that television transmission infrastructure in Queensland was not significantly affected by Cyclone Yasi and recent flooding in the area.

The region is expected to be switched over entirely to digital TV from the long-running analogue TV service some time in the second half of 2011.

A spokesperson from the Department of Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy told PC World Australia that while a concrete date for the official switchover from analogue to digital television in Queensland had not been set, the projected window of the second half of 2011 would likely still be met.

"The most recent advice from both commercial and national broadcasters confirms that transmission infrastructure has not been severely impacted by the extreme weather events in Queensland. Transmitter sites, usually situated on higher ground, have escaped serious flood damage. Transmitter sites in the path of Cyclone Yasi did suffer power cuts but these, by and large, have been managed

with the use of portable power generators."

More than 70 per cent of Australians have embraced digital TV and a further 21 per cent plan to get on board this year.

A majority of householders now own devices such as a digital set-top box, a TV with a built-in internet connection, or a PVR, interestingly in a Roy Morgan research for the Herald Sun retirees are least likely to own a "time shifting" TV device such as a Personal Video Recorder (PVR), which allows viewers to record, pause and rewind live TV.

Read the full articles on pcworld.idg.com.au
and www.heraldsun.com.au

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Result of Nominations for Director

Nominations for election as a director of the WIA were called for by notice published in the December 2010 issue of the WIA magazine Amateur Radio.

The four retiring directors Michael Owen VLK3KI, Peter Young VK3MV, Ewan McLeod VK4ERM and Philip Adams VK3JNI offered themselves for re-election.

The WIA Returning Officer, Chris Chapman VK3QB, has advised the Board that no other nominations were received and in accordance with the Election Regulations, he had declared the retiring directors elected unopposed as Directors of the WIA.

Each will hold office until the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting in 2013

Around 4 or 5 weeks back WIA National News put out a call to all of the "Advisory Committees" via the office/secretary and the email addresses shown in AR Magazine asking that they might tell you just "who we is!..hihi".

We did get a written response from Tassie and as those who are in VK4 heard last week an audio report from the new QAC Chairman.

"I'm Mike Charteris VK4QS, the new chairman of the Queensland Advisory Committee for the Wireless Institute of Australia.

My fellow QAC members include Mr Don Wilschefski VK4BY from Rockhampton, Mr Ken Fuller VK4KF from Brisbane, and Dr Kevin Johnson VK4UH also of Brisbane. We look forward to serving you as best we can over the next three years and and can be contacted by way of email as per the WIA website, or as previously broadcast on QNews."

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HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news

SOARING SORBENT

The Tamworth Radio Club sponsored the successful launch of 4 large party balloons from the Tamworth Oxley Scout Hall with a bunch of scouts eagerly involved. The large party balloons are by comparison small compared to the balloon being used for LOKI-1.

2 of the balloons were tied together to carry a payload consisting of a small 10mW transmitter weighing just 5.2g with battery. With some trickery temperature data was superimposed on the transmitted signal.

The other 2 balloons were released separately with several metres of light weight toilet paper streaming below.

The scouts learned how to move the balloons about with the breeze that was blowing to stop the streamers and balloon getting tangled in the trees, flag pole and scout hall.

The miniature electronics package was assembled by Ash, VK2XSO.

Preliminary plans are being made for that launch of LOKI-1 March 5th.

More information can be found at
trci.org.au

(Cris VK2BOZ Publicity officer & John VK2YGV Project Director)

SUMMERLAND

AGM results are in and show as President, Ross Dowse VK2ARD,
Vice President Rob Gallagher VK2ELH with Secretary David Robinson VK2HFK.

Training course at Dural.

Commencing on Monday the 7th of March a training course for Standard and Advanced grades of exam assessments will commence at VK2WI Dural. The course will be conducted by Terry VK2UX.

It will operate each Monday evening - other than on public holidays - for several weeks. Listeners may know of friends who would like to undertake such a course. We ask that you pass

on the details and ask them to register their interest by a phone call to the office telephone and leave a message with contact details. The number is 02 9651 1490.

There are also details about the course on the ARNSW website, www.arnsw.org.au
look under training and exams.

(Advised by Tim VK2ZTM)

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/
VKC Roundup http://www.police

The Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club, 16 July will conduct their annual Hamfest at the Cranbourne Community Hall, corner of Clarendon and High Streets, Cranbourne.

High Street is part of the South Gippsland Highway. Melway 133 K4.

Forty tables of goods will be presented at this large venue, but stall holders should book early as demand is always high. Reservations for stall holders may be made by contacting Steve Harding VK3EGD on 0408 878934 or by emailing hamfest@ggrec.org.au.

More information can be found at
http://ggrec.org.au/hamfest.

Tables will be available for $20 each. Doors open at 8:30 AM for stall holders and at 10:00 AM for the general public. Your admittance fee of $6 as a buyer will go towards the continued upgrading of facilities at our Club Shack & meeting room in Cranbourne.

Take away food, tea and coffee will be available. The entry fee includes a ticket in the Door Prize which will be drawn around 1:30 PM for all who register upon entry. Great prizes to be won as usual.

Additional tickets can be purchased on the day.

VK4 - QNEWS
web service local audio news:- www.wiaq.com/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
local news email qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
VKR Roundup http://www.police.qld.gov.au/News+and+Alerts/Media+Releases/

Welcome to QNews from VK4WIA. I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP, and I've been thinking.

When we show our hobby to the public it is important to stand in the other persons' shoes. What we are doing is showing what are the attractions, the many and varied aspects of amateur radio. Maybe the smart phone apps will excite today's technology savvy person whilst the antique will tickle the nostalgia nerve of another.

With the theme for the international Amateur Radio Day and Australia's National Field Day defining the moment, it is important to consider how we present our interest. The media will be looking for aspects that will grab the attention of

readers, listeners and viewers and the people who come to look will want to experience something that is relevant to them. When the ages of the prospective enthusiasts spread from school age to post retirement and the knowledge and life experience's are so varied, this presents a challenge in designing a display that works.

Equipment and displays can cover from the crystal set to digital, around the world and into space, and the people manning the display should be accepting of the range of interests within the hobby. We want to share our great hobby not preach our own special interests.

In planning our club's activities for the coming National Field Day, let us build on the great beginning of the centenary year. Let's show our local community that amateur radio is the original social network and it's still growing strong.

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think....how about you?

CLUBBING - TO SUPPLY NEWS ITEMS:-
email qnews@wia.org.au

GYMPIE
www.gceginc.org.au
Trevor Taege, VK4BAT

I'm Trevor Taege, VK4BAT with news from the Gympie Communications & Electronics Group:

Weather has again prevented the planned 2 metre repeater mods and adjustments but the crew hopes to get up to the Mountain as soon as time and conditions permit.

The Gympie Communications and Electronics Group have finally found a new Clubroom.

Details are still being finalised but the Club has been offered a dedicated, secure room at the new Gympie Men's Shed.

GCEG will be able to share workshop, lounge and other facilities with the Men's Shed members and provide some training on basic electronics and soldering.

It's hoped that a few of the members from the facility will become sufficiently interested in Amateur Radio to join the Gympie Group and in time gain their own call-signs.

So, the next meeting of the Gympie Communications and Electronics Group will be at the new location of 16 Barter Street, Gympie, on Thursday 3rd of March at 7:30pm.

For Gympie Area News, I'm Trevor Taege, VK4BAT.

VK4 AREA SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- VHF

Hello from Doug Friend, VK4OE of the Brisbane VHF Group.

Plans are proceeding for the already-announced SouthEast Queensland Microwave Day on the 6th of March.

We want to enable as many folk as possible, amateurs and non-amateurs, to be able to go and see microwave amateur radio in action.

Why? Well there is a new and great experience waiting for anyone who takes the time and trouble to start playing with microwave frequencies. And the Brisbane VHF Group wants to make it easier for anyone to feel the intense satisfaction there is in getting gear working and operating it on any of the amateur bands 1296 MHz and above.

On Sunday the 6th of March, starting just after completion of callbacks to the WIA and QNEWS broadcasts, you should find a group of us using several bands on Mt Gravatt on Brisbane's south side, or to Kevin VK4WA's place (several bands operational) at Redbank Plains in the West, or further West to John VK4JMC's place at Laidley on 1296 and 2403 MHz. On the North side of Brisbane, you can catch up with Roy, VK4ZQ who will be portable with several microwave bands, at a location to be confirmed next week.

Further North again, Adrian VK4OX will be operational on 2.4 GHz from Maleny, and Wayne VK4WS will have a number of bands operational from Howell's Knob also near Maleny.

Operating with low power on 5.7 and 10.3 GHz to the East of Brisbane (yes, East!) should be Peter VK4EA on the beach at Moreton Island, an unusual and potentially interesting contact for many to make.

Primary liaison is expected to be via the VHF Group's 'RBN repeater on 147 MHz, so this repeater will be active on that morning.

Anyone can go to any of these locations to experience the ways of operating, the challenges and the intense fun of microwave amateur radio.

Here's hoping for a fine day on the 6th of March!

Redcliffe and District Radio Club
www.redclifferadioclub.org.au/

Hi this Is David vk4pdr for the Redcliffe and districts amateur radio club

Wednesday's at 730 pm local time we hold a trivia night on our 70 cm repeater 438.325 and don't forget the 91.5 kHz tone for access.

It is a fun night for those that join in and the prize for winning is that you get to be next weeks trivia master!

so all of you amateurs out there with inquiring minds and wishing to join in on a fun night for a hour or so come and join us.

This is David vk4pdr for the Redcliffe and districts amateur radio club and you have been listening to and enjoying qnews on vk4wia

VK5

South Coast Amateur Radio Club - Subsidised Members Dinner 20th March

The South Coast Amateur Radio Club Inc. will be holding its 2011 Subsidised Members Dinner on Sunday 20th March 2011 at Fresh Choice Family Restaraunt in Sturt South Australia.

Members are required to register numbers, as bookings are essential for this event. If you are planning on attending, please contact Secretary by email at secretary@scarc.org.au

It would be great to see as many members and partners as possible in attendance, to allow members to socially meet outside the Clubrooms environment. Registration can also be done through the event list function on the SCARC Website www.scarc.org.au

Look forward to seeing you there. Enjoying the hospitality of fellow members of the club.

Regards,
Stef Daniels VK5HSX
Secretary
South Coast Amateur Radio Club Inc.
E-mail: secretary@scarc.org

SILENT KEY

Founder of the SA Maritime Mobile Net, Alistair Campbell ZS5MU becomes SK.

The South African Maritime Mobile Net was started by Alistair some 30 years ago and is ably assisted by his wife Davina ZS5GC and several other coastal Radio Ham Operators.

The net operates each day of the week, and provides weather reports from around the SA coast and High Seas, and maintains Ham radio contact with boats off the coast of South Africa "For Met area VII", ie. Brazil's east coast to Australia's west coast and up into the Mozambique channel.

Over the years he had help from many other Hams without whom it would have been extremely difficult, and at times impossible, to run an efficient maritime net. He also liaised with other Nets particularly the Travellers' Net in VK.

South Africa, in fact the World has lost one of it's greatest radio amateurs. A man that gave many hours, actually more than 30 years to the South African Maritime Mobile Net, rendering a valuable service and ZS5MU will be sorely missed for many years to come.

Although his key went silent, he has left behind a legacy that must and will continue. Condolences to Davina, family and his many friends.

(sourced to SouthGate)

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART and the WW sources of the WIA.

CANTERBURY / CHRISTCHURCH EARTHQUAKE

Quick to offer condolences to our friends in the NZART were the RSGB and IRTS.

>From the RSGB:-

"Dear Roy,

On waking this morning here in the UK we were all devastated to hear on the News details of the earthquake in Christchurch.

May I offer on behalf of all UK Radio Amateurs and in particular the President, Board and members of the Radio Society of Great Britain, our condolences to those Radio Amateurs who may have lost family and friends, and support to those Radio Amateurs who may as I write, be involved in the rescue operations.

Our thoughts and prayers are with you all at this most difficult of times.

Best 73
Peter Kirby G0TWW
General Manager
Radio Society of Great Britain".

>From the IRTS

"You are in our thoughts today following the earthquake in Christchurch and we know that your members will be working hard for the community.

If we can be of any assistance please let us know.

Take care and pass our best wishes to all your operators working at the front line.

Paul EI2CA
President
Irish Radio Transmitters Society
IARU member society for Ireland".

Radio hams keep Civil Defence in touch

Updated from Radio New Zealand

A small team of amateur radio operators are keeping the lines of communication open in earthquake-hit areas of Christchurch.

The head of the Amateur Radio Emergency Communications team, Richard Smart, ZL4FZ says 10 amateurs are using their two emergency broadcast vans to keep rescue teams and Civil Defence staff in touch.

He says one is at a major welfare centre providing portable communication so they can talk to Civil Defence and the other vehicle is assisting search and rescue teams in an area where communication is poor.

ZL4FZ says amateur radio operators from around the country are volunteering to help out and others are sending updates on the disaster to families of people in Christchurch who are overseas.

Former NZART Vice President Stuart Watchman ZL2TW was attending a medical conference and lucky to escape. He told how his hotel swayed and crumbled, managed to free himself and other only to find devastation outdoors and the adjoining building leaning threatening to collapse.

Sorta "ground Zero" in the CBD sits, or sat the now shattered CTV Building.

Canterbury Television is an independently owned television station, some 20 staff and is botha a production house, ansd free-to-air broadcaster on UHF cahnnels 44 and 53.

CTV produced approximately twenty hours of locally based programming every week and showcased content from Deutsche Welle (DW-TV) from Europe, CCTV-9 Asia, Voice of America from the U.S. & Al Jazeera from the Middle East.

The earthquake disaster bill of September 4 was put at $8 billion but the latest quake could be double that amount.

Christchurch and its surrounding areas account for 500,000 people, about half the population of the South Island of New Zealand.

Jim Meachen ZL2BHF is in the 'shaky isles'.

Arnie Coro, C-Oh-2-K-K, the International Amateur Radio Union Region II Area C Emergency Coordinator, has issued a notice to hams in the America's.

Coro advises users of the 40 and 20 meter bands to be aware of possible earthquake emergency communications traffic taking place in and around the affected areas of New Zealand's South Island, where Christchurch is located.

Coro continues that the propagation on 40 meters more likely to cause problems to the New Zealanders from unintentional QRM coming from the Americas in the window that starts about two or three hours before sunrise and lasts until sunrise on this side of the path. A similar pattern, with a slight time shift shows up on 20 meters as well.

Also Chairman IARU Region 3 Disaster Communications Committee Jim Linton VK3PC, suggests we check out the NZART website under What and Who is AREC.

>From Auckland, New Zealand, on the North island, I'm Jim Meachen, Zed-L-2-B-H-F, reporting for vk1wia

A.R.E.C. is the public service arm of Amateur Radio in New Zealand.

Many hams get involved in providing communications for Search and Rescue and Civil Defence at different levels.

The Amateur Radio Emergency Communications organisation (AREC) was formed by the New Zealand Association of Radio Transmitters (NZART) in 1932 after the Napier earthquake, to train licensed amateur radio operators in providing reliable communications over the length of the country for any type of emergency.

Full encouragement was given by the then New Zealand Post and Telegraph Department and they made available special station identifiers for emergency communications on the amateur radio allocated bands.

It has become accepted among Amateur Radio operators that these unique "E" calls have priority over all other users of the widely-spaced amateur radio frequencies.

A highlighted APRS map shows AREC vehicle trackers (ZK9xxx and PATROLxxx)
plus earthquake locations as well as other trackers.

http://aprs.fi/?lat=-43.53&lng=172.2&z=9&mt=m&timerange=43200

ZL listeneres, REMEMBER IF YOU HAVE AN EMERGENCY PLEASE CALL 111.
The Quake helpline is 0800 779 997
If you are in Christchurch, you can contribute information via email
eqnzfeb@gmail.com or free TXT 5627.

Google have a Person Finder App, it's called the
Christchurch Earthquake, February 2011
http://christchurch-2011.person-finder.appspot.com/
It is currently tracking about 10200 records.
All data entered will be available to the public and viewable and usable by
anyone. Google does not review or verify the accuracy of this data.

Christchurch Deputy Mayor Ngaire Button advises parents to limit their
children's exposure to the disaster in the city.

She says parents should not have the news on 24/7 or show children the
devastation around the city.

"There are a lot of things they don't need to know about and is not helpful for
them to know about" the Deputy Mayor has said.

US PRESIDENT TO TAKE PART IN FCC APPROVED EAS TEST

The President of the United States will soon be taking part in a national test
of the of the Emergency Alert System. We have more in this report:

The Federal Communications Commission has taken the necessary action help pave
the way for the first-ever Presidential alert to be aired across the
United States on the Nation's Emergency Alert System. This as the regulatory
agency voted on February 3rd to adopt a Third Report and Order that sets forth
rules that will facilitate the federal government's efforts to conduct a
national E-A-S test by transmitting a Presidential Alert from Washington, D.C.
to television and radio broadcasters, cable systems and satellite service
providers who will then deliver the alert to the American public.

The national test will require EAS participants to be part of the exercise and
to receive and transmit a live code that includes a Presidential alert message
to their respective viewers and listeners. The FCC, FEMA and the Nation Weather
Service, in coordination with E-A-S participants, will work together to launch a
nationwide public education and awareness campaign. This will include press
statements, workshops, regional outreach, and television and radio public
service announcements. All will be targeted to consumers in general, and more
specifically to persons with disabilities and seniors, as well as first
responders and state, local and tribal governments. The outreach will help
ensure that the American public is aware that the national test will be
conducted and the benefits of these kinds of public alerts in a real emergency.

The FCC adds that the national test will also help determine the reliability of
the Emergency Alert System and its effectiveness in notifying the public of
emergencies and potential danger, both nationwide and regionally. (FCC)

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IRTS NEWS DESK

South East Amateur Radio Group

The South Eastern Amateur Radio Group and the Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club will ensure that Ireland again has its say in the 2011 International Geopark Communication weekend on 28 & 29 May, with special stations, likely EI2GEO again, at the Copper Coast Geopark and, likely GB2MAC again, at the Marble Arch Caves International Geopark in Fermanagh which straddles the border into Cavan.

"Geoparks are areas recognised by UNESCO to have exceptional geological heritage. Across Europe there are 42 in 16 countries that include two on the island of Ireland. As well as the scientific interest, Geoparks are often major tourism attractions.

Last year, visitors included scouts interested in radio and EI2GEO made many QSOs on various HF bands.

This event, in its fourth year, was initiated by Martin Foster G3VOF and others with GB6GEO on the English Riviera Geopark.

Hopes for 2011 again are enjoyable amateur radio, involving a lot of club members in both Irish stations, north and south, and other Geopark stations in Great Britain and mainland Europe.

Amateur radio is an international educational and scientific culture, so it is entirely appropriate that we be involved with Geoparks, recognised as they are by UNESCO - the United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural Organisation."

For more information contact

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Michael Clarke, Mi5MTC, Chairman Lough Erne ARC.
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RSGB

Across the Atlantic on 502kHz

At 21.34 GMT on 13th February, Joe, VO1NA managed a full beacon decode from Graham, G0NBD on 502kHz using the ROS mode.

It is believed this was the first live data mode decoded over the Atlantic on this band. The signal to noise ranged from -23 to -27dB, giving a 100% decode of the test message. The transmission was sent using MF-7 with an estimated ERP of 1 watt from a 35ft top loaded vertical.

ROS mode did a good job of resolving the signals despite deep and rapid QSB over the 3,500km path. At just over a year old the ROS data mode is relatively new and uses an adaptation of multiple frequency shift keying and forward error

correction to help make successful contacts under very difficult band conditions.

The software for the mode is free
http://rosmodem.wordpress.com

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OPERATIONAL NEWS -

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2011

Feb 26-27 ZL Jock White Field Day

Mar 19-20 WIA John Moyle Field Day weekend

Apr 23 ZL/VK 2011 VK/ZL RTTY SPRINT 80 metres (zl2sky@zl2ko.or.au)

Apr 30 WW Marconi Day 2011 (www.gb4imd.org.uk)

Apr 30 ZL/VK 2011 VK/ZL RTTY SPRINT 40 metres (zl2sky@zl2ko.or.au)

Allan Chandler ZL2SKY from the Kiwi Digital Modes Group advises the
2011 VK/ZL RTTY SPRINT (80M Leg) takes place April 23 1000 UTC.
2011 VK/ZL RTTY SPRINT (40M Leg) takes place April 30 1000 UTC.

Open to all licensed amateurs from the VK/ZL Call Districts.

PLEASE NOTE:
The Points system & format has changed for this years contest.
The updated rules are available at the KDMG website at:
http://qsl.net/zl2sky/new_page_1.htm

The Summer Field Day seemed to go pretty well however only one entry was received in from VK6. Maybe they are all getting ready for the WIA's major annual contest, the RD, which they seem to win hands down every year!

Actually the VK4'ss did really well which was very good going considering that the contest coincided with the Queensland floods! 4th place in the multi was taken out by VK4, from the heart of Yasi Country, Atherton, by VK4WAT in grid QH22

The highest band worked for the Microwave Challenge saw VK2GG nudging out VK4OE for first place on 47GHz, then on 24GHz VK2GG as 3rd, VK2EI as 2nd and first place VK4OE, Doug Friend.

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, REPEATER BEACON DX AND NET ADVICE

Rwanda DXpedition approved for credit

ARRL DXCC Manager Bill Moore, NC1L, reports that the 9X0SP 2010 DXpedition to Rwanda has been approved for DXCC credit.

If you have cards that were recently rejected for this operation, please send an e-mail to the ARRL DXCC Desk. Once your record is updated, results will appear in Logbook of The World accounts or in the live, daily DXCC Standings.

(rsgb)

G3RWF is active as 5X1NH from Fort Portal in western Uganda until April 14. He prefers to operate CW but plans to also be on the digital modes with some SSB on all bands except 160m.

QSL via his home callsign G3RWF or electronically using Logbook of the World.

(rsgb)

VK4RTL 6metre Beacon back on air

With mains power restored to theTARCinc repeater site at Mount Stuart the way has been clear for the VK4RTL beacons to come back on air.

The 6 metre beacon brought back online during a site visit by Lloyd VK4FP.

A temporary repair to the beacon turnstile antenna during his visits.

VK4RTL 6 metres should be now able to be heard on 50282kHz CW.

INTRUDER WATCH - ENFORCEMENT ZONE

Region III IARUMS Coordinator Peter Young VK3MV

VK IARUMS reflector email to subscribe intruders@wia.org.au

INTRUDER NETS
Friday 0730 UTC 7.065.5 with VK4CEU David.

Amateur exclusive frequencies where any non-amateur signal is definitely an intruder.

Amateur HF Spectrum world wide
7.050 to 7.100
14.000 to 14.250
14.250 to 14.350 No broadcasters
21.000 to 21.450
24.890 to 24.990
28.000 to 29.700

FCC CITES COMPANY OVER SALE OF CELLPHONE JAMMERS

The FCC has issued an Official Citation to DeadlyDeal.com. This based on allegations that between August 25, 2008 and January 16, 2010 the company offered for sale a cellular telephone jamming device called the Blocker.

While DeadlyDeal.com says that it no longer offers these devices to its cliental, the FCC states that even the manufacturing or importation of such units to United States shores is a direct violation of its rules. This is because jamming devices cannot be certified or authorized because the main purpose of a jamming device is to block or interfere with radio communications.

In its communication the FCC warns DeadlyDeal.com that if after receipt of the Citation that should the company violate the Communications Act or the FRCS's Rules that the regulatory agency can impose monetary forfeitures of up to $16,000 for each such violation or each day of a continuing violation and up to

$112,500 for any single act or failure to act. In addition, violations of the Communications Act or the Rules can result in seizure of equipment as well as criminal sanctions, including time behind prison bars.

Deadly Deal was given 30 days following the January 26th date of the Citations release to respond either through a personal interview at the closest FCC office or by filing a written statement with the agency.

(ARNEWSLINE)

Deutsche Welle (of lil blue 5inch tape box fame) has experienced jamming of its signals from the Hotbird 8 satellite. It is believed the DW transmissions are being "jammed" by foreign signals, though the source of the signals can not be confirmed.

The disturbances are affecting DW-TV Europe, DW-TV Arabia, as well as very high frequency (VHF) and shortwave signals in regions including Europe, the Middle East and parts of Asia. TV live streaming on Deutsche Welle's multi-language news website is also affected by the disturbances.

Deutsche Welle last experienced jamming in February 2010, which was believed to have emanated in Iran.

MEDIA WATCH
www.cq-amateur-radio.com/WorldRadio.html
VK Club Bulletins http://groups.yahoo.com/group/aarnie/

Inside Amateur Radio magazine for March

By now, you should have noticed the new appearance of the magazine, thanks to the input from Sergio Fontana VK3SFG.

Overall, the Publications Committee is happy with the new appearance. Of course, we would welcome any comments from readers.

In the WIA comment, WIA President Michael Owen VK3KI discusses the success of the introduction five years ago of the Foundation Licence, which is by far the preferred entry point into amateur radio, and it has lowered the age of licensees.

By all counts he believes the Foundation licence has been successful and will continue to be so.

In the Spotlight on SWLing by Robin Harwood VK7RH comes news that the BBC is to axe languages and aims to reduce it audiences by 30 million.

A plethora of interesting articles includes a simple antenna base for portable vertical antennas presented by Graeme Scott VK2KE, how to aim an antenna using the internet and the sun by Erich Heinzle VK5HSE, an adaptable antenna for portable operation from Henrik Stenstrom VK2HHS and Jim Ayling VK2JA, building an 80 metre SSB kit radio by Lyle Whyatt VK5WL, and Across the Tasman of 2.4Gz with David Smith VK2HZ.

There are regular columns of ALARA, AMSAT, Contests, DX-News and VHF/UHF An Expanding World.

Amateur Radio magazine is a WIA membership service and also available at selected newsagents.

I'm Barry Robinson VK3PV.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

AMSAT-VK UNOFFICIAL HF Net.
2nd Sunday each month.
April through October 1000 UTC 3.685 MHz
November through March 0900 UTC 7.068 MHz

North East Primary School contact a success

Tuesday evening 22 nd, students from the Preston North East Primary School in Victoria gathered for a very successful and memorable ARISS contact.

Astronaut Catherine Coleman KC5ZTH answered student questions at this record attendance of over 500 students and parents attending the evening event.

Another unique aspect of this ARISS contact, was that for the very first time the contact was broadcast live via Amateur Television, out via the VK3RTV television repeater on Mount Dandenong and simultaneously streamed live to the internet via the British Amateur Television Group BATV gateway.

Many complimentary reports were received from local and overseas viewers.

We thank astronaut Catherine KC5ZTH, Larry, WD8KUJ, John, AG9D & Kenneth, N5VHO in the US and Robert VK3DN, Jack, VK3WWW, Mich VK3CH for the transmission on ATV, Tony VK3ZAI Australian ARISS coordinator and of course Melisa DeFabrio the students teacher at Preston NE P/S for making the linkup a success for the students this evening.

ARISS is now approaching 600 schools world wide who have spoken live to the crews on the ISS since year 2000.

RSC-Energia has informed NASA deployment of ARISSat-1 will during RSC EVA 29 currently NOT scheduled until July 2011.

However the Russian Federal Space Agency reports that ARISSat-1 will be activated April 12 on 145.950MHz FM to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the first human space flight.

ARISSat-1 is also known as Kedr, the callsign of Cosmonaut Yury Gagarin on his historic flight.

The satellite is currently inside the International Space Station (ISS) and will be connected to an Amateur Radio antenna mounted on the ISS for the commemorative transmission.

It is still planned to deploy the satellite during a space walk in July.

THE NEW LONG WAVELEGNTH ARRAY

What's being termed as an innovative new radio telescope array is now under construction in central New Mexico. One that will eventually harness the power of more than 13,000 antennas and provide a fresh eye to the sky.

This antenna farm will form what is being called the Long Wavelength Array. This is a radio telescope designed to survey the sky from horizon to horizon over a range of frequencies in the High Frequency spectrum from 20 to 80 MHz.

The first station in the Long Wavelength Array, with 256 antennas, is scheduled to start surveying the sky by this summer. When complete, the entire system will consist of 53 station locations, with a total of 13,000 antennas strategically placed in an area nearly 248 miles in diameter.

The overall receiving system is expected to provide sensitive, high-resolution images of a region of the sky hundreds of times larger than that of a full moon. Investigators believe that these images could reveal radio signals coming from planets outside our solar system, and thus would turn out to be a new way to detect these worlds. In addition to planets, the telescope will hopefully reveal a host of other cosmic phenomena.

The University of New Mexico is the lead researcher in this project,. NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, California is providing the advanced digital electronic systems, which represent a major component of the observatory

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- INTERNET --- THE HAMS DOMAIN
TWITTER http://twitter.com/VK1WIA

This Ham Radio specific site, "Ham Radio Nation" is a Social Networking Site, sorta akin to Facebook and such but specifically for Ham Radio.

It has loads of things to do, along with meeting lots of other hams, like blogging, forums, an awards program, classified ads, propogation info, an always current contest calendar, chat rooms, product reviews, and more.

Do yourself a favour. Check it out! You can find it:

www.HamRadioNation.com

(Dave WB4IUY)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RADIO SCOUTING
http://www.scouts.com.au
http://www.scout.org/jota
http://www.international.scouts.com.au

CALLING FREQUENCIES
Please QSY off the calling frequency after establishing communication.

Australian voice calling frequencies:
3.650, 7.090, 14.190, 21.190, 28.590, 52.160

World CW calling frequencies:
3.570, 7.030, 14.060, 18.080, 21.140, 24.910, 28.180, 50.160

World voice calling frequencies:
3.690 & 3.940 MHz, 7.090 & 7.190, 14.290, 18.140, 21.360,
24.960, 28.390, 50.160

Calling frequencies for Slow Scan TV (SSTV):
3.630, 7.033, 14.227

Calling Frequencies for PSK31
14.070

HAM RADIO AND SCOUTING: ARRL & BSA TIE KNOT IN MOU

The American Radio Relay League and the Boy Scouts of America have officially tied the knot of cooperation between the two groups. Amateur Radio Newsline's Michael Grebert said:

"After working together for nearly a century to provide Scouts with the ability to learn radio communication skills, Boy Scouts of America and the American Radio Relay League have officially teamed up by signing a memorandum of understanding. This document designates the ARRL as a key resource for K2BSA and Radio Merit Badge training at the BSA National Scout Jamboree and establishes the ARRL as the go-to source for Scouts interested in learning about and becoming involved in radio communication.

In addition to its National Scout Jamboree involvement, ARRL will continue to promote participation in the annual Jamboree on the Air event. ARRL will also serve as contributing editor to the Radio Merit Badge publication, will assist with the review, creation and modification of requirements as necessary, and will assist in developing course material, lesson plans, and other resources for teaching the Radio Merit Badge to Scouts. ARRL also will contribute to the content of the Electricity, Electronics, and Emergency Preparedness and Communications merit badge publications.

As its part of this strategic alliance, the Boy Scouts of America will encourage Scouts and Scouters to become familiar with opportunities for public and community service. It will also foster learning and personal growth through involvement in Amateur Radio.

Boy Scouts of America Chief Scout Executive Bob Mazzuca and ARRL President Kay Craigie , N3KN, launched the partnership by holding a truly unique wireless communications meeting. Mazzuca joined Craigie virtually during an Internet video conference and document-signing ceremony. From separate locations, the pair also took the opportunity to talk about the importance of each organization to the ongoing development of the other. (arnewsline)

REWIND

Kurrajong Radio Museum - Wyong Field Day.

So your listening in the Gosford area this weekend?

Don't forget to visit the Kurrajong Radio Museum display at the Wyong Field Day.

This year the display will be all about VK2 amateur Radio History.

Have you ever wondered who the earlier hams were, what their callsigns were or where they lived? Data will be on show covering the period of 1911 to 1961.

You may even find earlier holders of your callsign!

Limited copies of the data will also be available on CD at the Field Day and later at the Museum.

Also on show will be a selection of photographs from the Pierce Healy collection, this time featuring activities at Dural around 1960.

There is a great photo of the 809 tent, but they weren't selling valves!

(mmm 809? Now I know 807 was beer... ahhh those VK2 yuppies! 809's must have been the Chardonnay tent! hihi...ed)

Perhaps you could help in naming the young lad assisting in erecting a VHF antenna - He assures me he no longer looks like that.

Please call in and say hello,

(Ian O'Toole VK2ZIO Kurrajong Radio Museum).

SOCIAL SCENE

2011

Feb 27 vk2 Central Coast Amateur Radio Club Ham Fest at Wyong
Start Time : Gates open 6.30 am

Feb 27 vk3 YARRA VALLEY HAMFEST at Gary Cooper Pavilion 16 Anzac Av Yarra Glen. Opens 10am-2pm.
(www//yarravalley.ar.org.au)

Mar 13 vk3 EMDRC White Elephant Sale Heathmont.

Mar 20 vk7 MEET THE VOICE BBQ "Ross Caravan Park".

Apr 2 - 3 vk4 Bunya Mts & District AmCom and SCARC Somerset Dam Camp Out.
(0488 687 649)

Apr 9 vk6 Hills Amateur Radio Group HARGFEST at club rooms Lesmurdie.
(HARGFEST. ie, hamfest run by HARG)

Apr 18 WW "Amateur Radio: The first technology-based social network"
World Amateur Radio Day, April 18 and WIA Field Day.

May 27-29 WIA AGM Weekend in Darwin
secretary@wia.org.au

Jun 10-12 VK4 Far North and North Queensland Amateur Radio Gathering at King Reef Resort Kurrimine Beach.

Jul 16 VK3 Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club Hamfest
Cranbourne Community Hall 10am (secretary@ggrec.org.au)

Jul 31 VK2/3 Riverina Field Day 10am at Lavington Scout Group Hall.

Aug 7 VK2 Lismore region - SARCFEST

Sep 23-28 R3 Region 3 ARDF Championship Bendigo VK3
http://r3.ardf.org.au/

Nov 20 vk5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society Hamfest
Goodwood Community Centre, Rosa St Goodwood at 0930.
Visit www.ahars.com.au for contact details

2012

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http://lists.wia.org.au/mailman/listinfo/vk1wia-news

177. The ARRL Letter for February 24, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-24 22:04:59 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20110224210208.4FD8623E8A@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 4767
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==> + LEGISLATIVE NEWS: ARRL ASKS MEMBERS TO WRITE IN OPPOSITION TO HR
607

The ARRL is asking its members to contact their US representatives
in opposition to the sections of HR 607 <http://www.arrl.org/hr-607>
that could affect the Amateur Radio Service allocation at 420-440 MHz.
HR 607 -- The Broadband for First Responders Act of 2011 -- would
address certain spectrum management issues, including the creation and
maintenance of a nationwide Public Safety broadband network. It was
introduced
<http://www.arrl.org/news/spectrum-management-bill-threatens-amateur-frequenc
ies>
into the US House of Representatives February 10.
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ARRL Regulatory Information Manager Dan Henderson, N1ND, clarified that the League opposes HR 607 in its present form. "We do not oppose the concept of dedicated spectrum for the development of a Public Safety infrastructure and wireless network. We object to the bill because of the inclusion of 420-440 MHz as part of the spectrum to be swapped and auctioned to commercial users." You can find a sample letter, "How to Find your Representative" and the contact information for ARRL's legislative consultant, Chwat & Co, here <http://www.arrl.org/sample-letters>.

==> + PUBLIC SERVICE: NEW ZEALAND AMATEURS ASSIST IN EARTHQUAKE'S AFTERMATH

<http://www.arrl.org/images/view/News/2011_Canterbury_earthquake_intensity.jpg>
A 6.3 magnitude earthquake struck the Canterbury region in New Zealand's South Island on Tuesday, February 22 at 12:51 PM local time (2351 on February 21 UTC). According to IARU Region 3 Disaster Communications Committee Chairman Jim Linton, VK3PC, 10 radio amateurs are using their two emergency broadcast vans to keep rescue teams and Civil Defense staff in touch. One is at a major welfare center, providing portable communication so they can talk to Civil Defense, and the other vehicle is on its way to assist search-and-rescue teams in an area where communication is poor . Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/new-zealand-amateurs-assist-in-earthquake-s-aftermath>.

==> + WRC-12 : AMATEUR MF ALLOCATION MOVES A STEP CLOSER

Amateur Radio has moved a step closer to a medium frequency (MF) allocation below the AM broadcast band. During the first week of the Conference Preparatory Meeting (CPM) for the 2012 World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC-12) of the International Telecommunication Union, held in Geneva February 14-25, delegates completed the drafting of nine pages of analysis of the technical and regulatory issues related to WRC-12 Agenda Item 1.23: consideration of a possible secondary allocation to the Amateur Service of about 15 kHz somewhere between 415 and 526.5 kHz. Two possible methods of satisfying the agenda item, along with the possibility of there being no change (and therefore no allocation), are set out in the CPM Report, along with the advantages and disadvantages of each . Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/amateur-mf-allocation-moves-a-step-closer>.

==> + IN THE NEWS : THREE YACHTSMEN KILLED BY SOMALI PIRATES WERE HAMS

Four Americans -- including three Amateur Radio operators -- who were being held hostage on their yacht by pirates off the coast of Oman have been killed. Scott Adam, K9ESO, and his wife Jean, KF6RVB, along with Bob Riggle, KE7IIV, and Phyllis Macay were on board the S/V Quest when pirates boarded their vessel on Friday, February 18. The Adams were based in the Los Angeles area; Riggle and Macay were from Seattle.

According to the US Central Command, the boat was in the Indian Ocean, headed toward the Somali coast when on Friday, the 58 foot yacht sent a distress signal. The boat was being trailed by US Navy forces; it was about a two day sail from the Somali coast. They had begun tracking the yacht after being alerted that a Danish naval helicopter had seen the Quest off Oman under the pirates' control. The Central Command oversees US anti-piracy operations in the Indian Ocean.

Officials were in the process of negotiating for the Americans' release when gunfire was heard around 1 AM (EST) on Tuesday, February 22. "As (US forces) responded to the gunfire, reaching and boarding the Quest, the forces discovered all four hostages had been shot by their captors," a statement from US Central Command said. "Despite immediate steps to provide life-saving care, all four hostages ultimately died of their wounds." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/three-yachtsmen-killed-by-somali-pirates-were-hams> .

==> + ON THE AIR : THE HF BANDS COME ALIVE FOR THE ARRL INTERNATIONAL DX SSB CONTEST

With the CW running of the ARRL International DX Contest over, it's time to get ready for the phone portion. With the solar flux peaking at 125 during the CW contest -- and 10 meters in unexpectedly good shape and open to Europe during the event -- one wonders if the same kind of conditions will be present for the phone running, 0000 UTC Saturday, March 5-2359 UTC Sunday, March 6. With another region of the Sun coming around to face Earth for this contest, there could be more unstable conditions. But if the solar flux index stays high -- and there aren't any more solar flares -- the ARRL DX SSB Contest could have some openings like there haven't been in years. Are you ready? Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/the-hf-bands-come-alive-for-the-arrl-international-dx-ssb-contest>.

==> + SECTION MANAGER ELECTIONS : NEW SECTION MANAGER ELECTED IN ARKANSAS

In the only balloted Section Manager election this winter, ARRL members in Arkansas have elected Dale Temple, W5RXU, North Little Rock, as Section Manager for the next two year term of office that starts April 1. Temple received 362 votes, and his opponent, incumbent Section Manager J. M. Rowe, N5XFW, received 290 votes. Rowe has served as Section Manager since December 2008. Ballots were counted and verified at ARRL Headquarters on Tuesday, February 22. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/new-section-manager-elected-in-arkansas>.

==> ARRL ATLANTIC DIVISION TO HOST TWO WEBINARS IN FEBRUARY

Periodically, the ARRL's Atlantic Division hosts a "webinar" -- an interactive web-based seminar, designed to facilitate communication between a small number of presenters and a large remote audience using the Internet. This month, Atlantic Division Director Bill Edgar, N3LLR,

will host two webinars for ARRL members, one on 501(c)(3) organizations (Thursday, February 24) and one on using Narrow Band Emergency Messaging Software (NBEMS) -- a set of programs used to send messages and files via Amateur Radio using an audio interface (Saturday, February 26). Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-atlantic-division-to-host-two-webinars-in-febr uary>.

==> ARRL FIELD DAY: 2011 FIELD DAY PACKETS AVAILABLE

It's that time of year again -- time to start gearing up for ARRL Field Day, June 25-26, 2011! ARRL's flagship operating event -- always held the fourth full weekend in June -- brings together new and experienced hams for 24 hours of operating fun. Field Day packets are now available for download <http://www.arrl.org/files/file/Field-Day/2011/2011_FD_Packet.pdf>and include the complete rules (including a change for 2011), as well as other reference items such as forms, ARRL Section abbreviation list, entry submission instructions, a Frequently Asked Questions section, guidelines for getting bonus points, instructions for GOTA stations and a kit to publicize your event with the local press. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/2011-field-day-packet-now-available>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "Away from the Sun <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=25upz6PME3I>" Cook, K7RA, reports: The weekly averages for solar flux and sunspot numbers were nearly unchanged this week, although last week they were rising and this week declining. The average daily sunspot number was down less than five points to 65, while the average daily solar flux was up just 0.3 points to 103.8. The outlook from NOAA/USAF shows a gradually rising solar flux, 85 on February 24-26, 88 on February 27 through March 3, 90 on March 4 and rising to 110 on March 10-15. The predicted planetary A index for February 24-through March 5 is 5, 7, 7, 5, 15, 12, 8, 10, 7 and 5. Sunspot groups 1161 and 1162 -- which brought so much activity last week -- are now rotating over our Sun's western horizon, but with the STEREO craft <http://stereo.gsfc.nasa.gov/>, we can see a new active region rotating over the eastern horizon. The predicted geomagnetic storm just before last weekend's ARRL International DX CW Contest did not persist, lasting only half a day through February 18. Look for more information on the ARRL website on Friday, February 25. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by 3 Doors Down's Away from the Sun <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=25upz6PME3I>.

==> AMATEUR RADIO FUN: BE A STAR! ENTER THE ARRL VIDEO CONTEST

If you've ever wanted a way to show the world how exciting Amateur Radio can be, here's your chance: The ARRL is sponsoring its first-ever

video contest <http://www.arrl.org/video-contest>! We are looking for ARRL members to shoot and submit videos that showcase how fun and electrifying our hobby is; extra points will be awarded for a video showing someone, young or old, licensed or not, making their first contact. Videos will be judged on overall quality and composition, and prizes will be awarded. The video author/producer must be an ARRL member; however, the people who appear in your video can be non-members. This contest is intended for amateur videographers. If you are a professional, please do not apply. Check out all the details -- including the fine print -- on the ARRL Video Contest Rules and Guidelines Web page <http://www.arrl.org/video-contest>. The submission deadline is Monday, February 28, 2011.

==> THIS WEEK ON THE RADIO

This week:

- February 25 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- February 25-February 27 -- CQ 160 Meter Contest (SSB)
- February 26-27 -- Mississippi QSO Party; North American QSO Party (RTTY)
- February 27 -- High Speed Club CW Contest
- February 27-28 -- North Carolina QSO Party
- February 28 -- CQC Winter QSO Sprint
- March 1 -- AGCW YL-CW Party

Next week:

- March 5 -- Wake-Up! QRP Sprint
- March 5-6 -- ARRL International DX Contest (SSB) <http://www.arrl.org/arrl-dx>; Open Ukraine RTTY Championship
- March 6 -- DARC 10 Meter Digital Contest
- March 8 -- ARS Spartan Sprint
- March 9-10 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more info. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- February 26 -- ARRL Vermont State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/vermont-state-convention-ham-con-1>, Colchester, Vermont
- March 5 -- ARRL South Texas Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/south-texas-section-convention-greater-houston-hamfest-1>, Rosenberg, Texas; ARRL Alabama Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/alabama-section-convention-birminghamfest>,

Birmingham, Alabama
- March 11-12 -- ARRL Oklahoma Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/oklahoma-section-convention-green-country-hamfe
st>,
Claremore, Oklahoma
- March 12-13 -- ARRL North Carolina Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/north-carolina-section-convention-charlotte-ham
fest>,
Concord, North Carolina
- March 19 -- ARRL West Texas Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-texas-section-convention-56th-annual-st-pa
trick-s-day-hamfest>,
Midland, Texas; ARRL Nebraska State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/nebraska-state-convention-1>, Lincoln,
Nebraska
- March 25 -- ARRL Maine State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/maine-state-convention-1>, Lewiston,
Maine
- March 26 -- ARRL Maryland State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/maryland-state-convention-greater-baltimore-ham
boree-computerfest>,
Timonium, Maryland

To find a convention or hamfest near you, click here
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top contesters, letters, hints, statistics, scores, NA Sprint and QSO
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178. NZART Headquarters SPECIAL Infoline Issue 25S

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-25 03:25:39 UTC
From: jamiepye <jamie.pye@pyenet.co.nz>
Message-ID: <GBEFLHAKABNBJEJENPGDEEKOCPAA.jamie.pye@pyenet.co.nz>
Source record: 4768
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

NZART Headquarters SPECIAL Infoline Issue 25S
25-FEBRUARY-2011
NZART Website: http://www.nzart.org.nz/home/

In This Issue
*Jock White Field Day Manager
*Attachment(s) for Branches: infoline-25S.doc

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Jock White Field Day Manager
Jock White Field Day is still on this weekend
I have received a lot of e-mail corrospondence both directly and forwarded, asking about the Jock White FD this weekend. Understandably many were uncertain if it was still on. I have had discussions with Frank Hunt the NZART contest manager and NZART President Roy Symon, along with some on the ground in Christchurch and do not see any reason why it should not go ahead.

As comms are being handled on two metres there is no issue with QRM from 80/40 activity during the JWFD, which is confined to the CW section and not much past 3630 kHz odd.

There may be a national day of mourning in the future, that would be an appropriate time for radio silence.

Regards,

Stuart Watchman
ZL2TW
Jock White Field Day Manager

Next NZART Official Broadcast is on SUNDAY 27-FEBRUARY-2011

Next HQ-Infoline e-mailed on SUNDAY 06-MARCH-2011

Regards, Jamie Pye ZL2NN, Editor zl2nn@nzart.org.nz

179. Future of Morse Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-25 04:50:11 UTC
From: Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz>
Message-ID: <xxx-EE721A.23501124022011@nntp.aioe.org>
Source record: 4769

Q. What is the future of Morse Code?

A. Morse Code has no future. "Beeps" are for tired, cranky old goats who are living in the past and like it there. Buy a microphone or learn how to use a computer.

--
Klystron

180. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2011-004 E - Request for Information, Interference from Plasma Television Sets.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-25 05:48:30 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4D6742A0.4030409@rac.ca>
Source record: 4770
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2011-004 E - Request for Information, Interference from Plasma Television Sets.
2011-02-24

According to members of the Niagara Peninsula Amateur Radio Club, noise and signals originating from Plasma Screen digital television set are causing considerable interference to their HF activities and have asked RAC for help. Complaints of this nature require specific and detailed information before RAC can consider taking this matter to Industry Canada. To gather this information, RAC invites its members that own a Plasma Screen television to report their experiences of interference from such products. Specifically, reports should describe the make and model of TV, a description of their HF station and antenna system and the exact nature of the interference (what bands, what sound etc). Remedies should also be tried and reported such as using ferrite chokes on power lines cords and signal cables if interference is detected. Amateurs with advanced instrumentation such as spectrum analyzers and calibrated antennas should measure signal intensity levels at given distances; these measurements will add credibility to our investigation. We also want to know from amateurs that can attest that operation of their own plasma TV causes no noticeable interference to their amateur radio operations. All digital domestic equipment, including Plasma and LCD television sets must comply with Industry Canada standard ICES 003 (interference causing equipment standard for digital equipment) to be marketed in Canada. Alternately, TV sets with tuners may be certified under Industry Canada BETS 7 standard. Please indicate in any report submitted that a label on the TV or notation in the manual indicates it is indeed certificated and compliant under current issues of ICES 003 and/or the BETS 7 standards.

Send reports to Norm Rashleigh, VE3LC, VP Industrial Liaison, ve3lc@rac.ca

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http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

181. Re: Future of Morse Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-25 06:08:36 UTC
From: jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com
Message-ID: <4ktj38-v7f.ln1@mail.specsol.com>
Source record: 4771

Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:
> Q. What is the future of Morse Code?
>
> A. Morse Code has no future. "Beeps" are for tired, cranky old goats who
> are living in the past and like it there. Buy a microphone or learn how
> to use a computer.

Troll.

The bow and arrow, black powder firearms, sailboats, horses, and many other
things have limited application in the world of today but are still utilized
and enjoyed by those that appreciate those things.

--
Jim Pennino

Remove .spam.sux to reply.

182. Re: Future of Morse Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-25 07:01:11 UTC
From: Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz>
Message-ID: <xxx-67619A.02011125022011@nntp.aioe.org>
Source record: 4772

jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com wrote:
> Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:

> > Q. What is the future of Morse Code?
> >
> > A. Morse Code has no future. "Beeps" are for tired, cranky old goats who
> > are living in the past and like it there. Buy a microphone or learn how
> > to use a computer.

> Troll.

Nolo.

> The bow and arrow, black powder firearms, sailboats, horses, and many other
> things have limited application in the world of today but are still utilized
> and enjoyed by those that appreciate those things.

Devotees of those historical artifacts seldom try to pass them off
as being necessary in today's world. The "beep" boys (or geezers) would
have you believe that beeps are genuinely necessary in the present day.
I posted, some months ago, an item about Morse code being ALLOWED, not
required, to identify aeronautical beacons. The beep gang loves to drag
that one out as a reason why beeps are still "needed" today.
They are living in the past and they are impeding the progress of
the present and future. Please don't encourage them or defend them. Let
them amble their way onto the dustbin of history on their own, along
with their cult-master Samuel Morse and all of his horrid little key
gadgets. Of course, for every one of those key toys, there are probably
a hundred or more computer keyboards. Beeps will be completely forgotten
within a generation.

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Klystron

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-25 10:00:16 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20110225100006.2918133C51@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4773
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1750 - February 25 2011

Now, Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1750 with a release date of Friday, February 25, 2011 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Hams respond to an Earthquake that devastates parts of Christchurch, New Zealand; A congressional measure to create a national emergency radio system threatens the 70 cm ham radio band; 500 Kilohertz digitally across the Atlantic Ocean and Dayton names the 2011 Hamvention award winners. Find out who they are on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1750 coming your way right now.

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RESCUE RADIO: HAMS ON ALERT FOLLOWING NEW ZEALAND QUAKE

Rescue workers in Christchurch, New Zealand, are in full callout. This, following a devastating, shallow level 6.3 Richter scale earthquake which struck the heavily populated business area of the city at 12.51 p.m. on Tuesday, February 22nd local New Zealand time. Jim Meachen, ZL2BHF, is in Auckland with the rest of the story:

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The utter devastation caused by the quake has severely damaged many buildings in downtown Christchurch including the main cathedral in the central city. While 120 survivors were pulled from the wreckage during the first night more than 300 people remain unaccounted for. According to the latest news reports, as many as 75 are dead and scores injured. Others are believed to be trapped in the rubble as buildings simply collapsed burying anyone inside. Officials expect the death toll to rise as the post quake relief operations continue.

Jim Linton, VK3PC, is the Chairman of the IARU Region 3 Disaster Communications Committee. As this newscast is being prepared, VK3PC reports that communications and power have been cut in many areas, and water supplies disrupted. Under formal arrangements already in place, members of New Zealand's A. R. E. C. will find their services put to use as the post quake rescue operations proceed.

And this is what seems to be happening. In a bulletin the Wireless Institute of Australia's news service reports that a small team of amateur radio operators are keeping the lines of communication open in

earthquake-hit areas of Christchurch. The head of the Amateur Radio Emergency Communications team, Richard Smart, ZL4FZ, says 10 amateurs are using their two emergency communications vans to keep rescue teams and Civil Defense staff in touch with one another.

Smart notes that one unit is at a major welfare center. It's providing portable communication so personnel can talk to Civil Defence officials. The other vehicle is en route to assist search and rescue teams in an area where communication is poor. Smart says that amateur radio operators from around New Zealand are volunteering to help out and others are sending updates on the disaster to the families of people in Christchurch who are overseas.

Meantime, Arnie Coro, CO2KK, the International Amateur Radio Union Region II Area C Emergency Coordinator, has issued a notice to hams in the America's. Coro advises users of the 40 and 20 meter bands to be aware of possible earthquake emergency communications traffic taking place in and around the affected areas of New Zealand's South Island, where Christchurch is located.

Coro continues that the propagation on 40 meters more likely to cause problems to the New Zealanders from unintentional QRM coming from the Americas in the window that starts about two or three hours before sunrise and lasts until sunrise on this side of the path. A similar pattern, with a slight time shift shows up on 20 meters as well. More on this story in future reports.

>From Auckland, New Zealand, on the North island, I'm Jim Meachen, ZL2BHF, reporting for the Amateur Radio Newsline.

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It should be noted that this is the second quake to hit the Christchurch area since last year. While the 7.1 earthquake last September was more than 30km underground, the latest 6.3 quake was a mere five kilometers in depth. It has been followed by a number of major aftershocks.

(VK3PC, ZL3DWS, ZL4FZ, CO2KK, NZ Hearald, others)

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RADIO POLITICS: CONGRESSIONAL MEASURE COULD LEAD TO LOSS OF 70CM AMATEUR ALLOCATION

A new measure introduced into Congress could eventually lead to the reallocation of the amateur 70 centimeter band to other services. That's if the big business lobby can convince legislators that the security of the nation will not be compromised by such a change. Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP, has the details:

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On February 10th, Representative Peter King of New York introduced HR 607, the Broadband for First Responders Act of 2011. King is the Chairman of the House Homeland Security Committee. HR 607 addresses certain spectrum management issues, including the creation and maintenance of a nationwide Public Safety broadband network. As part of that network, the bill provides for the allocation of the so-called "D-Block" of spectrum in the 700 MHz range for Public Safety use.

The D-Block consists of two, 5 megahertz-wide segments of spectrum from 758 to 763 and 788 to 793 MHz. These became available when the FCC ended analog television broadcasts in June 2009 and reallocated the 698 to 806 MHz band for Public Safety and commercial broadband.

At that time it was anticipated that the D-Block would be auctioned for commercial use. However there are several bills in Congress providing for the allocation of the D-Block for Public Safety use, and HR 607 is one of those.

But HR 607 uniquely provides for the reallocation of other spectrum for auction to commercial users, in order to offset the loss of revenue that would occur as the result of the allocation of the D-Block to Public Safety instead of commercial auction. HR 607 lists the paired bands of 420 to 440 MHz and 450 to 470 MHz among the bands to be reallocated for commercial auction within 10 years of its passage.

His measure has been referred to the House Energy and Commerce Committee, which handles telecommunications legislation. There it is likely to see opposition from the United States military and others concerned with the nations overall security. This is because of the infrastructure that currently exists to protect our nations cities and shores.

One thing to keep in mind is that the spectrum in question is allocated as military as primary user and all others, including amateur radio as secondary users. As we in ham radio all know, the military recently spent 10's of millions if not billions of taxpayer dollars to upgrade its PAVE-PAWS long range radar system to a point where UHF ham repeaters and even some individual operations on both coasts were forced to reduce power or go completely QRT.

Ironically the cooperation between hams and the military in resolving issues associated with the PAVE-PAWS upgrade more than likely makes them one of amateur radios best allies in retaining the spectrum in question. That's because Representative King and his co-sponsors could face strong opposition from the U.S. military establishment which is almost certain to do all it can to derail such a spectrum reallocation.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP, reporting from Scottsdale Arizona.

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In related news, the Society of Broadcast Engineers issued a legislative alert to its members regarding this measure. Its advisory

notes that the spectrum targeted at 450 to 451 and 455 to 456 MHz is heavily used by commercial radio broadcasters for remote pick-ups, as well as by many other civilian and defense users. (ARRL, SBE, ARNewsline(tm))

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RADIO POLITICS: ARRL ASKS HAMS TO WRITE CONGRESS TO DEFEAT HR-607

And this just in: The ARRL is asking that every radio club and individual ham operator in the United States to write to their congressional representative in opposition to HR-607 as it is currently written.

Because of security measures in place in Washington, the ARRL says that it will likely not do any good to mail them direct. Instead the League asks that you go to its website at www dot arrl dot org stroke sample-letters, fill in the sections of the attached letter for your own representative, print it and then send it to Chwat & Co. They in turn will hand deliver it to the appropriate congressional office.

The address to send those letters to is John Chwat in care of Chwat & Co., 625 Slaters Lane, Suite 103, Alexandria, Virginia, Zipcode 22314. Or you can fax it to 703-684-7594.

The bottom line here is that thousands of bills are introduced every Congressional season but very, very few ever make it to the President's desk. If hams, broadcasters and the military all work together, there's a good chance that HR-607 will never see a White House signature or even the political light of day. More is on-line at tinyurl.com/4rgbayj

(ARRL, ARNewsline, others)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the W1JLI Memorial repeater serving Norwood, Massachusetts.

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RADIO VIOLENCE: THREE HAMS KILLED BY SOMALI PIRATES OFF THE COAST OF EAST AFRICA

Three Radio Amateurs Scott Adam, K9ESO, his wife Jean, KF6RVB, and Bob Riggle, KE7IIV, have been murdered by Somali pirates. Also killed with them was Phylis Macay.

The four were onboard the Adam's owned yacht the Quest off the coast of Oman, East Africa, when pirates boarded their vessel on Friday,

February 18. Officials were in the process of negotiating for their release when gunfire was heard around 1 AM on Tuesday, February 22.

United States Naval forces responded to the gunfire. Navy Seals then boarded the yacht only to discover that all four hostages had been shot by the pirates.

According to a statement from the US Central Command, despite immediate steps to provide life-saving care, all four hostages ultimately succumb to their wounds.

Somali-based pirates have plagued the shipping industry off East Africa for years, but the violence used during the attacks and the money demanded in ransoms has increased in recent months. Sea going bandits are currently holding some 30 ships and more than 660 hostages, however, this is first time American hostages have been killed by a Somali pirate raid. (Southgate, other published reports)

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RADIO RECORDS: ROS ACROSS THE ATLANTIC ON 500 KHZ

A new low frequency record between the United Kingdom and Canada has been set using a newly developed digital mode called R-O-S. Jeramy Boot, G4NJH, is in Nottingham, in the United Kingdom with the rest of the story:

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At 2134GMT on 13 February, Joe, VO1NA managed a full beacon decode from Graham, G0NBD on 502kHz using the ROS mode. It is believed this was the first live data mode decoded over the Atlantic on this band.

The signal to noise ranged from -23 to -27dB, giving a 100% decode of the test message. The transmission was sent using MF-7 with an estimated ERP of 1 watt from a 35ft top loaded vertical. The ROS mode did a good job of resolving the signals despite deep and rapid QSB over the 3500km path.

At just over a year old the ROS data mode is relatively new and uses an adaptation of multiple frequency shift keying and forward error correction to help make successful contacts under very difficult band conditions.

I'm Jeramy Boot, G4NJH and this is the Amateur Radio Newsline.

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The software for the R-O-S is completely free, but is still not legal for use by United States amateurs to transmit with. None the less US hams are free to listen in using it world-wide. More information can be found in cyberspace at rosmodem.wordpress.com (GB2RS)

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INTRUDER WATCH: COMPLAINTS FROM HAMS MOVE VOICE OF RUSSIA OFF 7.200 MHZ

Shortwave station the Voice of Russia is now in the part of the 40 meter band where it belongs.

The station was first heard on 7.200 MHz on February 1st and reported to the IARU Monitoring System by Dick van Elpelen, PA0GRU, in the Netherlands. Ulrich Bihlmayer, DJ9KR, from the IARU Region 1 Monitoring System then reported the station to the German Telecommunicationss authorities on February 2nd.

Then, in correspondence with the Russian General Radiofrequency Centre, DJ9KR was able to demonstrate the interference. Subsequently, the Voice of Russia moved up the band to 7.265 MHz. (Southgate)

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ARISSAT-1 UPDATE: MORE ON THE ARISSAT-1 DEPLOYMENT DELAY

An update on the delayed deployment of the ARISSat One ham satellite. As reported last week, ARISSat-1 satellite is still inside the I-S-S and will remain there for the next several months. The Russian space management agency Roscosmos has announced that the satellite will be deployed during the next space walk in July of this year.

Meantime, the United States based ARISSat team is trying to get clarification from Roscosmos about a report that a reported weak batteries condition causing the satellite not to be deployed in the latest E-V-A. The news item can be found in the Russian language on the Roscosmos web page. Its in cyberspace at tinyurl.com/arissat-batteries.

(WA4SXM)

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ARISSAT-1 UPDATE: ARISSAT-1 TO HELP CELEBRATE 50th ANNIVERSARY OF YURIL GAGARIN'S FIRST SPACEFLIGHT

The Russian space management group Roscosmos has also announced that the ARISSat One satellite will be turned on inside the International Space Station using an external antenna on April 12th. This, to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Cosmonaut Yuri Gagarin's first manned space flight. AMSAT says that it will support this event and issue certificates to those stations reporting reception of the ARISSat One's signals.

Also, Tony Monteiro, AA2TX has an excellent article describing the ARISSat One power system using the Russian Olan suit battery in the upcoming AMSAT Journal. It will have been mailed to AMSAT members by the time this newscast goes to air.

(WA4SXM)

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ENFORCEMENT: FAILURE TO FILE TIMELY RENEWAL BRINGS $13000 NAL

A North Carolina broadcaster who let its station license lapse but continued operations under several Special Temporary Authority grants has been handed a $13,000 proposed fine.

WOOW AM of Greenville, North Carolina and its owner The Minority Voice, Inc. have been issued the Notice of Apparent Liability to Monetary Forfeiture for what the FCC says was willfully violating Section 73.3539 of the Commission's Rules and willfully and repeatedly violating Section 301 of the Communications Act. This, by failing to timely file its license renewal application and engaging in unauthorized operation of the station.

As is usually the case, the station licensee has been given the customary time to pay the forfeiture or to file an appeal. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC INVESTIGATING WWOR TO SEE IF IT REALLY SERVES NEW JERSEY

According to the Los Angeles Times, the FCC is currently investigating Fox Television owned WWOR TV in Seacaucus, New Jersey. At the center of the inquiry is whether the station has been ignoring its state of license in favor of covering New York area news and other events.

The newspaper says that the FCC has written to Fox about the charges. It says that in a letter sent on Thursday, February 17th, the regulatory agency is seeking to determine if Fox and WWOR intentionally provided material factual information that was incorrect or is guilty of intentionally omitting material information.

WWOR has been criticized by media watchdogs and by New Jersey Senator Frank Lautenberg for not providing ample coverage of New Jersey on the station. A spokesperson for Fox said the company will respond to the FCC's request. Also that Fox is confident that on review of all facts and applicable law, the FCC will recognize that these unwarranted claims hold no merit.

Fox purchased WWOR in 2001. A quick link to the L.A. Times story is tinyurl.com/wwortv. (Multiple published news reports)

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TELECOMMUNICATIONS LAW: DO NOT TRACK ME ON THE INTERNET LAW INTRODUCED INTO CONGRESS

An Internet version of the popular "Do Not Call" telephone legislation took a step toward reality on Friday, February 11th. This when a House of Representative legislator from California introduced a measure in Congress designed to let consumers block unwanted tracking of their information online.

Written by Representative Jackie Speier, the "Do Not Track Me Online" bill authorizes the Federal Trade Commission to enact and enforce regulations that give consumers the right to bar organizations from tracking their activities as they use the Internet.

Speier's measure already has one major backer. Consumer Watchdog, a non-profit and non-partisan advocacy group, has already applauded the proposed law. In a press release Consumer Watchdog said that consumers should have the right to choose if their private information from being collected, analyzed, and profiled by companies tracking activities online. It says that "Do Not Track Me Online" is the simple way for consumers to say no to being monitored while they surf the Web. (Webnews)

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HAMVENTION 2011: NEWSMAN OR ACTOR NEEDED FOR HAM RADIO TOWN MEETING

If you are a radio amateur planning to attend Hamvention 2011 and one who is a professional television newsman or an actor with on-camera experience, you are neded to take part in this years Ham Radio Town Meeting.

This years session is titled "How To Make A Ham Radio Video In The 21st Century." Among the many topics we want to cover is how to properly appear when the camera lens is on you and tape is rolling. Obviously nobody has better expertise in this area than a TV newsman or an actor who regularly appears on TV or in the movies.

If you want to take on this volunteer role, please contact us or send your resume with your contact information to Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, who is producing and moderating the session. Our e-mail address is still newsline (at) ix (do)t netcom (dot) com and we look forward to hearing from you. (ARNewsline(tm))

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HAM RADIO CONFERENCES: CALL FOR PAPERS FOR AMSAT-UL COLLOQUIUM

A first call for speakers for the AMSAT-UK Colloquium 2011 has been issued by the events planners. This years Colloquium will be held at the Holiday Inn, in Guildford, from Friday, July 29th to Sunday July 31st. Presenters are invited to speaker about amateur radio, space and associated activities. Those interested should contact G4DPZ, by e-mail to david (dot) johnson (at) blackpepper (dot) co (dot) uk. (G4DPZ)

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CONTEST INFO: RESULTS OF 1010 10 GHZ AND UP CONTEST

Sean Kutzko, KX9X, who is the ARRL's Contest Branch Manager says that the results for the 2010 ARRL 10 GHz and Up Cumulative Contest are now online. You can read them at www.arrl.org/contest-results-articles. (ARRL)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: KR4X RETIRES FROM HILLSBOROUGH FLORIDA EMCOMM POSITION

Some names in the news. First up is Larry Gispert, KR4X, who recently retired as the Director of Emergency Management for the County of Hillsborough in the Tampa Bay, Florida area.

According to Peter Kemp, KZ1Z, Gispert's contributions have seen him take on leadership positions in regional, state and national emergency management organizations. He has also been a presenter at major conferences and in Washington, DC.

The Hillsborough Board of County Commissioners recently presented Gispert with a Proclamation for his work. He was commended for his straight talk approach when dealing with Emergency Management issues. (KZ1Z)

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CHANGING OF THE GUARD: TOM C GLEEMAN KE6YNH - HAM AMBASSADOR _SK

And we are sad to report that one of the true gentlemen of ham radio has become a Silent Key. This with word that Tom Gleeman, KE6YNH, of San Diego, California passed at his home the evening of February 17th.

Gleeman was best known as a late night ambassador of good will on 3.840 MHz in the 75 meter band. He is generally credited with starting the post Art Bell, W6OBB-era 3840 Group in the western states that eventually expanded to the whole country.

A memorial page for KE6YNH is on QRZ.com. The shortcut link to it is tinyurl.com/4wgmss2. Tom Gleeman, KE6YNH, was only age 60 at the time of his passing. (KE6ENI)

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This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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RADIO BALLOONING: HAM RADIO "MAKERS" TO LAUNCH TRANS-ATLANTIC BALLOON ON 7.102 MHZ USB

A ham radio equipped balloon called Speedball-1 will soon attempt to become the first amateur radio balloon to cross the Atlantic. Amateur Radio Newsline's Michael Grebert, KJ4ZZV, has more:

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Speedball-1 was originally scheduled to launch the weekend of February 26th from Space Port Indiana located in Columbus, Indiana. According to the projects website, that date has now been pushed back to when both the Jet Stream as well as ground launch conditions are more favorable for such a flight.

While no exact launch date for Speewdball-1 has been announced, once aloft it will be transmitting RTTY and DominoEX on a Upper Sideband with dial frequency of 7 point 102 MHz. The actual signal will be on 7 dot 1035 MHz and the transmitter will alternate between 110bps RTTY and the DominoEX digital mode. Free dl-fldigi decoder software to follow the balloons progress is at tinyurl.com/4lplegv

Speedball-1 is a project of the new LVL1 Makerspace in Louisville, Kentuckey. They vdescribe themselves as a team of makers, hackers, and amateur scientists, loving the incredible number of challenges this has project presented.

Also on the team are remote members, contributing significantly, despite the distance. These include Bill Brown, of Huntsville, Alabama, who is considered the father of modern amateur weather ballooning, and Carl Lyster, WA4ADG, who is the electronics designer from the Spirit of Knoxville. Quite an all star team.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Michael Grebert, KJ4ZZV, near Nashville, Tennessee.

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You can sign up for a launch notification announcement on the right-hand side of the home page at http://whitestarballoon.org. (ARNewsline(tm), Southgate, White Star Balloons)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: SA-AMSAT ANNOUNCES KLETSKOUS SATELLITE PAYLOAD

South Africa AMSAT has announced that the main payload on the upcoming KLETSkous ham radio CubeSat. The decision is for the tiny bird to carry a linear UHF to VHF transponder with a bandwidth of 20 kHz.

The U/V mode which uses a 70 centimeter uplink and 2 meter downlink was chosen in line with internationally recommended practice as it will minimize interference. Another aim of this decision is to make possible the satellite to operate over Africa without the need of an access tone to activate the transponder.

South Africa AMSAT says that a multi-city team is working on the designs and will soon finalize the transponders specifications. You can visit www.amsatsa.org.za for more about the KLETSkous project. (SARL, Southgate)

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In DX, G5XW will be active as GJ5XW from the Isle of Jersey between March 24th and the 30th. Operations will be on the HF bands but will also include the CQWW WPX SSB Contest on March 26th and the 27th. QSL via G5XW, direct only to his QRZ.com address.

Members of the "DX Plus" Hellenic Amateur Radio Team will be active as SX5F from the Farmakonisi Rocky Islet between May 14th and the 22nd. Operation will be on all HF bands using CW, SSB and the several digital modes. QSL via the RAAG Bureau. For more details, see www.qrz.com/db/SX5F

G3SWH and G3RTE plan to operate from the West Island in the Cocos group through March 5th. They will be active as VK9C stroke G6AY on 10 through to 80 meters using CW only. The Cocos Keeling is ranked number 75 most wanted worldwide. QSL via their home callsigns, either direct or via the bureau

2E0WMG and G0DVJ will be active from Lundy Island between March 21st and the 26th. Operations will be on all HF bands 80 through 10 meters. G0DVJ will be on CW and SSB, while 2E0WMG will be on SSB only. Look for QSL details on QRZ.com.

Members of the "DXciting Group" will be active as EG5CI from Columbretes Island between April 7th nand the 10th. QSL's will all be sent via the bureau or direct from EA5EOR. For more details, visit www.dxciting.com

Lastly, the next DXpedition by the I2YSB Team will take place from Liberia between March 31st and April 13th. The group plans to use 3 stations for the HF bands and one other for the 50 MHz band. Modes are CW, SSB and RTTY. The pilot station will be IK7JWY and an online log will be provided by IH9GPI. The expeditions callsign will be announced at a later date. QSL via I2YSB.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: DAYTON HAMVENTIONr NAMES 2011 AWARD WINNERS

And finally this week, word that the names of the winners of the most celebrated awards in ham radio have been announced. Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, is in the newsroom with the details:

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N8LX: "I was just totally astounded. Flabbergasted. I never would have believed that in my lifetime that this would happen to me. And my husband said that someone could have probably knocked me over with a feather at that point."
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That's Shirley Roberts, N8LX, of Dayton Ohio has been selected as the 2011 Radio Amateur of the Year by the Dayton Hamvention. This prestigious award goes to an amateur operator who has demonstrated

significant contributions to amateur radio as well as related public service.

Among Shirley Roberts numerous achievements has been her work with and for the Dayton Amateur Radio Association and with making the Hamvention happen every year for the past to decades. In the latter she has worked on numerous committees related to the various aspects of Hamvention. She has also been the voice of the Hamvention answer line for the past three and a half years.

But Hamvention is not Shirley Roberts only ham radio interest. Over the years she has been a Control Operator and Manager for a Dayton area repeater and has been directly involved in numerous public service events. And, as reported right here on Amateur Radio Newsline, several years ago it was Shirley Roberts, N8LX, who coordinated the rescue of a ham radio operator trucker who was suffering from a badly infected tooth that was affecting his ability to safely drive his big-rig.

Another of her interests is SKYWARN and there she has been more than just your average volunteer:

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N8LX: "Several years ago I was one of the people who ran a preliminary net for them as the people who operated the net were on their way to the focal point to where the net was usually done."

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According to Awards Committee chairman Frank Beafore, WS8B, Shirley Roberts, N8LX, exemplifies all of the deepest aspects of being named the 2011 Radio Amateur of the Year.

The Special Achievement Award this year goes to Fred Lloyd, AA7BQ of QRZ dot com fame. Starting out as a simple on-line call sign look-up project, Lloyd has developed the QRZ website into an interactive one stop web-based home for all things related to amateur radio. Now in 2011, the Arizona-based QRZ dot com operation provides detailed operating and technical information to ham radio operators worldwide and is among the most often visited of any hobby radio spot in cyberspace. And its still the place to go to find the address of that station to which you want to send a QSL card.

Moving on, the committee has chosen Roy Lewallen, W7EL,of Beaverton, Oregon to receive the 2011 Technical Excellence Award. This in recognition of his development of EZNEC. EZNEC is an antenna modeling software system used by hams worldwide. Lewallan's software is also now the basis for numerous amateur radio antenna training courses in the United States and world-wide.

Last but by no means least, the Albemarle Amateur Radio Club, WA4TFZ, of Charlottesville, Virginia has been named Club of The Year. According to the judging committee, in addition to all the normal club activities

of a well led organization, the Albemarle Amateur Radio Club has shown exemplary contributions in public service, emergency communications and in youth recruiting.

With congratulations to all of this years winners, Im Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the Newsroom in the City of Angels.

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The award winners were announced on February 18th. All will be guests of honor at the 2011 Hamvention which runs from May 20 to May 22 at Hara Arena in suburban Dayton. More details are on-line at www dot Hamvention dot org. We hope to see many of you there.

(DARA, W8HJR, ARNewsline(tm))

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 27th February 2011

The news headlines:

* Radio amateurs at work following New Zealand earthquake

* Radio amateurs killed by Somali pirates

* Progress on a band near to 500 kHz

Following the earthquake that hit Christchurch, New Zealand this week, a small team of amateur radio operators are helping to keep the lines of communication open. A report on the frequencies in use is yet to be received but Amateur Radio Emergency Communications team member Richard Smart, ZL4FZ said 10 radio amateurs are using their two emergency broadcast vans to keep rescue teams and Civil Defence staff in touch. He said one is at a major welfare centre providing portable communication so they can talk to Civil Defence and the other vehicle is en-route to assist search and rescue teams in an area where communications are poor. Richard, ZL4FZ said amateur radio operators from around the country are volunteering to help out and others are sending updates on the disaster to families of people in Christchurch who are overseas. The RSGB has sent a message of support to the New Zealand Association of Radio Transmitters, the country's national body for radio amateurs.

It has been announced that four Americans including three amateur radio operators who were being held hostage on their yacht by pirates off the coast of Oman have been killed. Scott Adam, K9ESO and his wife Jean, KF6RVB, along with Bob Riggle, KE7IIV and Phylis Macay were on board the vessel Quest when pirates boarded their vessel on 18 February. Our thoughts are with their family and friends.

The ITU Conference Preparatory Meeting, or CPM, for the World Radiocommunication Conference 2012, or WRC-12, has completed its work on the agenda item that considers an allocation of up to 15kHz in the band 415 - 526.5kHz. Three options, one of which is no allocation to the amateurs, are proposed. Whilst initially it was hoped that spectrum around and near to 500kHz could be allocated for amateur use, the maritime service has identified a new requirement for this part of the spectrum. Because of this there is no support from national administrations like Ofcom to support amateur allocation in this part

of the spectrum. One of the remaining options agreed by the ITU CPM is the so-called Method A, originally put forward by the RSGB. This is for an allocation of up to 15kHz between 472kHz and 487kHz. The Americans, Canadians and others within their regional group, CITEL, favour a different option, Method B, which is for a split allocation between 461 - 469kHz and 471 - 478kHz, totalling 15kHz. Method A is the main option being considered within CEPT, which has yet to reach what it terms a European Common Proposal on the option. None of this preparatory work affects our temporary access to 501 - 504kHz, apart from the tests that have been carried out by the maritime service in respect of their proposed new system. UK amateurs who wish to experiment at this part of the spectrum can still obtain an NoV from Ofcom. Further information is at www.rsgb.org/spectrumforum/mf/srp501.php.

A member of The Radio Amateurs' Emergency Network has received two months' funding to examine how RAYNET could best use data communications to support Police and other User Services. Howard Winter, G1BYY, a member of Mid-Herts RAYNET, made an application to the Vodafone World of Difference Scheme

in November. An increasing demand from User Services for RAYNET to provide data links has led many groups to experiment and train on a variety of digital systems. RAYNET members are now using APRS to track vehicles responding to incidents in remote locations, transmitting photographs from the scenes of emergencies and sending data files back to Gold Control. Howard will spend two months undertaking his own research and experimentation, collating the work that has already been done by RAYNET Groups and comparing the experiences of members experimenting with data. He will be producing documents that will be available nationally, to groups of all affiliations. RAYNET Groups of all affiliations are being asked to share their experiences of data communications to help Howard with his task, which begins in March. Contact Howard Winter by email to dataproject@raynet-uk.net.

It seems that radio amateurs may find themselves targets for so-called copper thefts. In the last two years the price of copper has risen by 300% with other metals also experiencing higher prices. We've heard from an amateur in Yorkshire who's been a victim of one of these copper thefts when all his cabling was stolen overnight. That included the coax and ladder line used for a G5RV antenna. Other amateurs are being encouraged to make sure access to cables is restricted and that their installations are as secure as possible.

The Mid-Pennine Raynet Group is seeking members to re-establish a RAYNET presence in East Lancashire. The group's operating area will be the boroughs of Rossendale, Burnley, Pendle and Hyndburn. Further information is available by sending an email to midpennineraynet@rocketmail.com.

Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club will be celebrating the Pearl Anniversary of their radio rally on 17 April. They invite anyone who was at the Club's first Rally in April 1982 or others that followed in the next three decades to contact the Club with memories and any memorabilia. Cliff, GI4CZW was Secretary in 1982, when he sent news of the first rally to Short Wave Magazine and he has gathered memorabilia down the years. More is welcome for a display at the thirtieth rally in the SHARE Centre on Sunday 17 April. Contact Michael by email to mi5mtc@learc.eu.

Lincoln Short Wave Club is celebrating its 90th anniversary this year. Anyone working the club callsign G5FZ will receive a limited edition QSL card that will cease after 31 December 2011.

Air Cadets of Chester 610 squadron are holding a radio weekend with the help of the Chester and District Amateur Radio Society who are setting up VHF, UHF and HF stations on 19 and 20 March. They are asking radio amateurs to listen out for their station and call in to encourage the young people taking part over the weekend. Cadets will be able to get hands on experience of operating radio transmitting and receiving equipment in speech, Morse code and digital modes on both amateur and air cadet frequencies. This event will see the launch of the Squadron's own permanent radio station under the supervision of Corporal Neil Hosker of the Royal Auxiliary Air Force.

GB3XD is a new 6m repeater, on the air from locator IO93WH. The output frequency is 50.730MHz and the input frequency is 51.230MHz with a CTCSS tone of 71.9Hz. All reports should be sent to G7AJP via GB3XD itself or via the 70cm repeater GB3LC. The new 6m repeater is supported by the Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club. More detail can be found on www.qrz.com.

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And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

Today, 27 February, Rainham Radio Rally will take place at Rainham School for Girls, Derwent Way, Rainham, Gillingham, Kent ME8 0BX. Doors open at 10.00am. More details from Trevor, G6YLW, 0771 7678 795.

Also today, 27 February, Swansea ARS Rally will be held at Court Herbert Sports Centre, Neath Abbey, Neath SA10 7BE. Doors open at 10.30am and entry is £2 with free car parking. There will be trade stands and a Bring & Buy along with special interest groups. Details from Roger, GW4HSH, on 01792 404422.

The Bournemouth Radio Society will be holding their 23rd annual sale on Sunday 6 March at The Kinson Community Centre in Millams Road, Bournemouth. Doors open at 9.30pm and the sale closes at 2.30pm. Admission is £1.50. Refreshments will be available. Further details from tonyg3ywg@gmail.com.

The Exeter Radio & Electronics Rally will take place on 6 March in America Hall, De la Rue Way, Pinhoe, Exeter EX4 8PW. Doors open at

10.30am, with disabled access from 10.15. Admission is £2. There will be trade stands and a Bring & Buy. All profits from the event are shared between GB3SW, GB3EW and GB3EX, the local 2m and 70cm repeaters. Contact Pete, G3ZVI on 07714 198374.

Now for the news of special events

The 90 Speke Squadron ATC Radio Club are holding a radio day in support of Marie Curie Cancer Research on 5 March using the special event callsign GB0MAC and the club callsign MX0NAC. They intend to operate on the HF and VHF bands and will be using SSB and PSK modes from 10am to 10pm.

EG8ISS will be on the air until 11 March from Las Palmas in Gran Canaria, which is IOTA reference AF-004. Activity is to celebrate the first ARISS contact with one of the Institute for Technological Development and Innovation in Communications facilities on campus. The special event station will be on the HF bands, from 10 to 40m using CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK31 and SSTV. Activities are also planned for VHF and the satellites AO-27, SO-50, AO-51 and VO-52. There is a special QSL card designed for this event that will be automatically mailed to your QRZ.com address. More info is available on QRZ.com under EG8ISS.

And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

The XF4 DXpedition has been assigned callsign 4A4A. A team of 9 operators will take to the air from Isla Socorro from 4 to 19 March. They plan to use 10m through to 160m with CW, SSB some digital modes. More on line at www.revillagigedo2011.com.

Dennis, WA2USA plans to be active as WA2USA/4 until 3 March from St George Island, which is IOTA reference NA-085. He will be on 10m to 160m using RTTY, CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign, either direct or via the bureau.

Operators Phil, G3SWH and Jim, G3RTE will be active from West Island in the Cocos, Keeling Islands until 5 March. The Cocos, Keeling Islands count as OC-003 for IOTA purposes. Both operators will use the single callsign of VK9C/G6AY. Their activity will be on CW only on all bands from 10 to 80m. There will be no 160, 6 metres or EME activity. QSL via G3SWH, either direct with SAE and adequate return postage, via Phil's website for a bureau reply or via the Bureau.

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Now the contest news

The CQ WW 160m SSB Contest finishes at 2200UTC today, 27 February. The exchange is signal report and CQ Zone.

The SSB leg of the REF Contest finishes at 1800UTC today, 27 February. Work French stations only, send a report and serial number, and expect to receive a report and a Department code (or prefix from French overseas territories). There are no separate categories for different

power levels and only a few entry categories. Single-op stations can enter single- or multi-band, while multi-op stations can make a single-transmitter all-band entry only.

Today, 27 February, the 70MHz Cumulative Contest takes place from 1000 to 1200UTC. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The 144MHz UK Activity Contest takes place on 1 March from 2000 to 2230UTC. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

On the weekend of 5-6th the 144/432MHz contest takes place between 1400 and 1400UTC. It has 6-and 24- hour categories. It's one of the earliest contests of the year in which a few hardy souls or groups are likely to brave the elements and operate portable for 24 hours. The exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The ARRL International DX Contest takes place next weekend, 5 and 6 March between 0000 and 2359UTC. Work W/VE stations only, in as many of the 48 contiguous States and Provinces as possible. Send a signal report and your transmitter power, and expect to receive a signal report and 2-letter State or 3-letter Province code.

And now the solar factual data for the period from the 14th to the 20th of February, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on the 21st of February

Ever since it became obvious that we were climbing out of the long sunspot minimum that we have just gone through, timely warnings were made if warranted in this report that the Sun would suddenly spring into high activity. Well this happened during the period. Three large sunspot groups dominated the solar disc that increased solar activity to high levels, when on the 15th an X2 solar flare occurred and with it a large coronal mass ejection. This is the first X class solar flare since the 14th of December 2006. Also nine M class solar flares and dozens of C class flares took place during the period along with numerous sudden ionospheric disturbances. Solar flux levels increased from 113 units on the 14th to peak at 125 by the 18th. That's the highest daily figure sine May 2005. Levels quickly declined to 105 by the 20th by when one of the large sunspot groups had rotated out of sight. The average was 113 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 20th was 86 units, that's two units up on last week. X-ray flux levels increased from B5 units on the 14th to B8.1 by the 18th. The average was B5.3 units.

Along with all the solar flare activity several coronal mass ejections took place, all travelling towards Earth at different speeds. It would appear that two arrived at about the same time on the 18th. Until then geomagnetic activity was quiet but increased during the early hours of the 18th. During the height of the storm the Bz

remained positive or northward, which meant that it did not couple into the Earth's magnetic field which is also northward, that's why the needle of a compass points northwards. Given that and the time of the arrival, very little in the way of auroral contacts were reported. Visually it was also disappointing, given that most of the UK was covered by cloud. This is despite the extensive coverage on the national TV news. If the Bz was southward or negative then it would have been a different story. The Ap index for the 18th was a mere 17 units. The remaining days were quiet and the average was Ap 7 units. Solar wind speeds increased to 710 kilometres per second around midday on the 18th. Particle densities were low except for a brief increase to 11 particles per cubic centimetre early on the 18th. Bz fluctuated between minus 14 and plus 27 nanoTeslas early on the 18th, otherwise only modest variations were observed. Strangely, on the 18th, MUFs reached around 35MHz, which is about 10MHz higher than forecasted. Normally, levels would be depressed under such conditions but on this occasion the ionosphere benefited from the storm.

And now the solar forecast. This week solar activity is expected to be very low to low. However, going on previous rotations and the present upsurge in activity on the Sun, activity could increase. The latest SEREO spacecraft shows a large sunspot group that should be in view this week. Solar flux levels are expected to be in the 80s for most of the week but could increase later in the week. Geomagnetic activity should be at quiet levels for the first half of the week but then increase due to a recurring coronal hole. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 22MHz for the south and 19MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be about 9MHz. Paths this week to Japan should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of about 19MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be around 14MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 0800 and 1000 hours.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

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Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your

transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS

On Monday 28 February Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is having an informal evening. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548478, daytime.

On Monday 28 February South Birmingham Radio Society is making repairs to the trailer and horse box. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Monday 28 February South Normanton Alfreton & District Amateur Radio Club is having an informal night. Details from A Lawrence, 2E0BQS, by email to adylawri@btinternet.com.

On Monday 28 February Stratford Upon Avon District Radio Society is having a skittles & buffet evening. Contact G0CHO, on 01608 664488.

On Tuesday 1 March Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a junk sale. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 1 March Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club is having a talk on antennas by Colin, G4DDI. Contact Chris, M0MFP, on 01507 442240.

On Tuesday 1 March Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its annual dinner. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Wednesday 2 March Hinckley Amateur Radio Society is having a social evening with an open forum to consider next year's program. Details from John, M0JAV, on 07836 731544.

On Wednesday 2 March Lincoln Short-Wave Club is discussing the CQ WW WPX contest. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

On Wednesday 2 March Midland Amateur Radio Society is having an open meeting, on the air and running training classes. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 01214 229 787.

On Wednesday 2 March South Birmingham Radio Society is having a lecture in the main hall. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Wednesday 2 March Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is putting G3ZME on the air and having a committee meeting. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday 3 March South Birmingham Radio Society is holding training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Friday 4 March Coventry Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on the work of Myton Hospice by Clair McDowell. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777363.

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On Friday 4 March Hucknall Rolls Royce Amateur Radio Club is having a General Club Meeting. More information from Dave Wilde, G1YAI, on 0844 4355593.

On Friday 4 March Nunsfield House Amateur Radio Group is working on its RSGB project. Details from Ken Frankcom, G3OCA, on 01332 720976.

On Friday 4 March South Birmingham Radio Society is having a construction evening. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Saturday 5 March Lincoln Short-Wave Club is in the shack. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND

On Monday 28 February Bolton Wireless Club is having a members' show and tell evening. For details, send an email to boltonwireless@gmail.com.

On Monday 28 February Macclesfield & District Radio Society is having an update on the forthcoming DXpedition to the Isle of Arran. More information from Roger Bell, M0GMG, on 0771 258 9163.

On Monday 28 February Scarborough Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on basic radio measurements by Bob Alders, M0GAP. Details from Jerry Scarr, G6LBL, on 01751 476601.

On Monday 28 February Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having an open evening for a visit by the local Cubs and Brownies groups. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 28 February South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is holding its monthly technical forum. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 0161 969 3999.

On Monday 28 February Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on spy radio by John, G8RDP. Details on the web at www.tcars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 1 March Chester & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk at Burley Hall on amateur radio licensing & exams by Keith Williams, GW4OKT. Details from Barbara Green on 07957 870770.

On Tuesday 1 March Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is meeting to discuss the club's /P working evenings around the district and ways to attract people to the hobby. Contact Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341317.

On Tuesday 1 March Otley Amateur Radio Society is taking part in the 144MHz UKAC as G3XNO. Contact Paul, 2E0PAK, on 07768 996370.

On Tuesday 1 March Stockport Radio Society is having a new licensees evening and taking part in the St David's day local net. More information from Nigel Roscoe, on 07973 312 699.

On Wednesday 2 March Denby Dale Radio Club is having a visit by RSGB Region 4 Manager Harold Scrivens, G0UGE. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220126.

On Wednesday 2 March Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is watching a DVD. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240573.

On Wednesday 2 March Mid-Cheshire Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on the seven and a quarter inch railway by M6MHD. Contact Peter

Paul Fox, G8HAV, on 01606 553401.

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On Thursday 3 March Grimsby Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. Contact Cliff, G4YHP, on 01472 328 830.

On Thursday 3 March Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is having a night on the air. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 0787 608 5631.

On Thursday 3 March South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having a PC clinic with Dave, G4UGM. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 0161 969 3999.

On Friday 4 March East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is having a radio magazines evening. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Saturday 5 March 90 Speke squadron ATC Radio Club is having a radio day in support of Marie Curie cancer research, operating HF and VHF, as GB0MAC and MX0NAC. Details from Norman, M0NOW, QTHR.

On Sunday 6 March Macclesfield & District Radio Society is having a mobile DXing event, meeting at Pym Chair for 9.30am. More information from Roger Bell, M0GMG, on 0771 258 9163.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND

On Thursday 3 March Bangor & District Amateur Radio Club is hosting a talk by Brian Clarke on the history of Marconi's involvement with the merchant navy. Contact Mike, GI4XSF, on 028 4277 2383.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND

On Tuesday 1 March Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club evening. Details from Norman, on 07740 946192.

On Wednesday 2 March West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society is having homebrew projects and licence training with the Solder Group . More information from Fred Coombes, 2M0BIN, on 01415 715512.

On Thursday 3 March Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is holding a junk sale. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663.

On Friday 4 March West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society is having presentations, guest speakers, a quiz and a raffle. More information from Fred Coombes, 2M0BIN, on 01415 715512.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA

On Sunday 27 February Horsham Amateur Radio Club is holding a morning fox hunt. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk.

On Tuesday 1 March Andover Radio Amateurs Club is having a club night. Details from Martin, M0MWS, on 07776 181646.

On Tuesday 1 March Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on IOTA by Martin Atherton, G3ZAY. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

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On Tuesday 1 March Horndean & District Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night and social evening. Contact Stuart, G0FYX, on 023 9247 2846.

On Wednesday 2 March Leiston Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on working with SMD components by Dave, G4HUP. Details from Dave, G4HUP, on 0777 764 8448.

On Wednesday 2 March Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on how, why and which connectors to use by Mark, G0LGJ. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898678.

On Wednesday 2 March Southdown Amateur Radio Society is operating at the Hailsham shack. Details from John, G3DQY, on 01424 424 319.

On Wednesday 2 March Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is having a round table forum. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816684.

On Thursday 3 March Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having a look at Morse for all abilities. Details from Ron Huntsman, on 012233 501712.

On Thursday 3 March Cray Valley Radio Society is holding its construction contest, presided over by Chris Whitmarsh, G0FDZ. Details from Bob, M0MCV, on 020 8265 7735 after 8pm.

On Thursday 3 March Horsham Amateur Radio Club is holding a used equipment sale. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk.

On Thursday 3 March King's Lynn Amateur Radio Club is having a club night and 2m club net. Contact Ray, G3RSV, by email to ral-g3rsv@supanet.com.

On Thursday 3 March Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a club night at the shack. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564242.

On Thursday 3 March Reading & District Amateur Radio Club is having a wireless workshop evening, considering what antenna to put up. Details from Pete, G8FRC, on 01189 695 697.

On Thursday 3 March Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on the Bombe by John Harper. Details from David, G8UOD, on 01234 742 757.

On Friday 4 March Crystal Palace Radio and Electronics Club is having a talk on building and using the Ten- Tec 1330 by Martin, M1MRB. Contact Bob, G3OOU, on 01737 552 170.

On Friday 4 March Harlow & District Amateur Radio Society is having a general chat night. More information from R C White, G0AGO, by email to G0AGO@aol.com.

On Friday 4 March Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a radio night. Contact Peter, G4AKG, on 01444 239371.

On Friday 4 March Wey Valley Amateur Radio Group is having a talk on HF transmitters at the BBC by Tony Crake. Details on the web at www.weyvalleyarg.org.uk.

On Sunday 6 March Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is having a breakfast meeting in Goring. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816684.

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NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST

On Monday 28 February Bristol RSGB Group is having a talk by Tim Walford, G3PCJ, on his latest homebrew kits. Details from Robin, G3TKF, on 01225 420442.

On Monday 28 February Exeter Amateur Radio Society is having a club night. More information from Nick, on 01363 775756.

On Tuesday 1 March West Devon Radio Club is having a talk on antennas by Paul Brock, 2E0XVI. Further information from Jules Cuddy, M1AGY, on 01752 291588.

On Wednesday 2 March Cornish Radio Amateur Club is having an introduction to its Foundation course. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844939.

On Wednesday 2 March Taunton & District Amateur Radio Club is having part 1 of a talk by Mike Coles, M0CIE, on the thermionic valve. Contact William, G3WNI, on 01823 666 234 for more information.

On Wednesday 2 March Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by Rex, G4RAE, on bow he got into amateur radio. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417048.

On Wednesday 2 March Trowbridge & District Amateur Radio Club s having a talk on budget loop antennas by Chris, G0AQL and Charles, G4JQX. Details from Ian, G0GRI, on 01225 864 698, evenings and weekends.

On Thursday 3 March South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is having a homebrew evening. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695471.

On Thursday 3 March Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having a activity night. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317750.

On Thursday 3 March Yeovil Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by M6DGM on his new shack. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk.

On Friday 4 March North Bristol Amateur Radio Club is holding a bring and buy sale. Details from Dick, on 01454 218362.

On Friday 4 March Saltash & District Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Brian, M0BHG, on 01752 844321.

On Friday 4 March Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

On Saturday 5 March Cornish Radio Amateur Club commences its Foundation course. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844939.

NEWS FOR WALES

On Tuesday 1 March Wrexham Amateur Radio Society is holding its AGM. More information from Patrick, 2W0HUU, on 07947 701 927.

185. Re: Future of Morse Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-25 16:13:44 UTC
From: jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com
Message-ID: <o21l38-r5j.ln1@mail.specsol.com>
Source record: 4775

Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:
> jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com wrote:
>> Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:
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>> > Q. What is the future of Morse Code?
>> >
>> > A. Morse Code has no future. "Beeps" are for tired, cranky old goats who
>> > are living in the past and like it there. Buy a microphone or learn how
>> > to use a computer.
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>> Troll.
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> Nolo.
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>> The bow and arrow, black powder firearms, sailboats, horses, and many other
>> things have limited application in the world of today but are still utilized
>> and enjoyed by those that appreciate those things.
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> Devotees of those historical artifacts seldom try to pass them off
> as being necessary in today's world. The "beep" boys (or geezers) would
> have you believe that beeps are genuinely necessary in the present day.
> I posted, some months ago, an item about Morse code being ALLOWED, not
> required, to identify aeronautical beacons.

That is rather strange logic as the only way to identify an NDB or a VOR is
by the morse code identifier and positive identification of your NAVAIDs
is important.

> The beep gang loves to drag
> that one out as a reason why beeps are still "needed" today.
> They are living in the past and they are impeding the progress of
> the present and future.

If you actually believe progress in anything is being impeded by devotees
of morse code, you have serious mental problems and a total disconnect
from the real world.

> Please don't encourage them or defend them. Let
> them amble their way onto the dustbin of history on their own, along
> with their cult-master Samuel Morse and all of his horrid little key
> gadgets. Of course, for every one of those key toys, there are probably

> a hundred or more computer keyboards. Beeps will be completely forgotten
> within a generation.

You mean like sailboats and the bow and arrow have?

You sound a lot like a small child in a snit over something.

--
Jim Pennino

Remove .spam.sux to reply.

186. Re: Future of Morse Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-26 01:47:30 UTC
From: Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz>
Message-ID: <xxx-AE28C3.20473025022011@nntp.aioe.org>
Source record: 4776

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> is important.

Perhaps that is how it is done on a very small propeller plane. On a
larger aircraft, identification is performed internally by the RNAV
equipment and the beacon's identity is displayed on a screen.

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> > that one out as a reason why beeps are still "needed" today.
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> of morse code, you have serious mental problems and a total disconnect
> from the real world.

I had assumed that it went without saying that I was referring to
the progress of HAM RADIO. I agree that the Morse code gang has no
influence whatever on the real world; the world outside of ham radio.
Nevertheless, they succeeded in delaying the elimination of the code
test from the licensing requirement by hiding behind a bogus and
self-serving interpretation of some radio treaties that almost the
entire world interpreted differently.
Of course, the beep boys had the ability to do that only because the
federal government agency that has the ostensible function of regulating
ham radio has come to consider ham radio to be too trivial for it to
waste any time on it and has, for all practical purposes, outsourced the
regulation of it to the ARRL. Since the ARRL is the last stronghold of
the beep boys, it should come as no surprise that the beep boys were
able to effect the outcome that they did, at least for a while. When it
became unmistakably obvious that the beepists were abusing their
influence in order to delay their own obsolescence, the FCC stepped back
in and took action itself, effectively overruling them.

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> > gadgets. Of course, for every one of those key toys, there are probably
> > a hundred or more computer keyboards. Beeps will be completely forgotten
> > within a generation.

> You mean like sailboats and the bow and arrow have?
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> You sound a lot like a small child in a snit over something.

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Klystron

187. Re: Future of Morse Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-26 02:13:14 UTC
From: doug <doug.morsit@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <698d22c4-5c3e-4aa1-b358-4fc947a39817@c10g2000vbv.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4777

On Feb 26, 1:47 am, Klystron <x...@yyy.zzz> wrote:
> j...@specsol.spam.sux.com wrote:
> > Klystron <x...@yyy.zzz> wrote:
> > > [...]
>
> > > Devotees of those historical artifacts seldom try to pass them off
> > > as being necessary in today's world. The "beep" boys (or geezers) would
> > > have you believe that beeps are genuinely necessary in the present day.
> > > I posted, some months ago, an item about Morse code being ALLOWED, not
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> > That is rather strange logic as the only way to identify an NDB or a VOR is
> > by the morse code identifier and positive identification of your NAVAIDs
> > is important.
>
> Perhaps that is how it is done on a very small propeller plane. On a
> larger aircraft, identification is performed internally by the RNAV
> equipment and the beacon's identity is displayed on a screen.
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> > > The beep gang loves to drag
> > > that one out as a reason why beeps are still "needed" today.
> > > They are living in the past and they are impeding the progress of
> > > the present and future.
> > If you actually believe progress in anything is being impeded by devotees
> > of morse code, you have serious mental problems and a total disconnect
> > from the real world.
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> I had assumed that it went without saying that I was referring to
> the progress of HAM RADIO. I agree that the Morse code gang has no
> influence whatever on the real world; the world outside of ham radio.
> Nevertheless, they succeeded in delaying the elimination of the code
> test from the licensing requirement by hiding behind a bogus and
> self-serving interpretation of some radio treaties that almost the
> entire world interpreted differently.
> Of course, the beep boys had the ability to do that only because the
> federal government agency that has the ostensible function of regulating
> ham radio has come to consider ham radio to be too trivial for it to
> waste any time on it and has, for all practical purposes, outsourced the
> regulation of it to the ARRL. Since the ARRL is the last stronghold of
> the beep boys, it should come as no surprise that the beep boys were
> able to effect the outcome that they did, at least for a while. When it
> became unmistakably obvious that the beepists were abusing their
> influence in order to delay their own obsolescence, the FCC stepped back
> in and took action itself, effectively overruling them.
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> been kept away from it by the beepists self-serving and slavish devotion
> to the cult of the telegraph key. I will continue to post thesejust gave
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many radio amateurs see as a ``fun`` mode,and also very useful when
conditions are poor with fading,noise, etc. etc.
Also, it`s obvious that there are many digital and computerised modes
these
days, D-STAR etc. which many Morse code users also use and enjoy.

`Nuff` said ! cheers to all. doug.

188. Re: Future of Morse Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-26 02:21:39 UTC
From: jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com
Message-ID: <jm4m38-vfn.ln1@mail.specsol.com>
Source record: 4778

Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:
> jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com wrote:
>> Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:
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>> by the morse code identifier and positive identification of your NAVAIDs
>> is important.
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> Perhaps that is how it is done on a very small propeller plane. On a
> larger aircraft, identification is performed internally by the RNAV
> equipment and the beacon's identity is displayed on a screen.

Babbling nonsense and you obviously haven't a clue what RNAV is or how
any NAVAIDs work.

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>> > that one out as a reason why beeps are still "needed" today.
>> > They are living in the past and they are impeding the progress of
>> > the present and future.
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>> of morse code, you have serious mental problems and a total disconnect
>> from the real world.
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> the progress of HAM RADIO.

Ham radio seems to be, and has been, progressing quite well.

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> influence whatever on the real world; the world outside of ham radio.
> Nevertheless, they succeeded in delaying the elimination of the code
> test from the licensing requirement by hiding behind a bogus and
> self-serving interpretation of some radio treaties that almost the

> entire world interpreted differently.

Many countries interpreted the treaty requirement more strictly than the
US and many countries iterpreted it more liberally. The US wasn't unique.

This is just revisionist babble.

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> federal government agency that has the ostensible function of regulating
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> influence in order to delay their own obsolescence, the FCC stepped back
> in and took action itself, effectively overruling them.

Ranting nonsense.

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>> > gadgets. Of course, for every one of those key toys, there are probably
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> been kept away from it by the beepists self-serving and slavish devotion
> to the cult of the telegraph key. I will continue to post these
> reminders, from time to time. Thank you for your comments, such as they
> were.

Nah, you were just never able to learn code and are holding a grudge.

Like I said, you sound like a small child.

--
Jim Pennino

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189. Cheap Wholesale Balenciaga real leather Purse

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-26 02:39:43 UTC
From: timberland boot <jialiushoe13@163.com>
Message-ID: <4b89f386-5179-4064-bb2e-3f842132300e@t13g2000prc.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4780
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.arts.comics.misc

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website: http://www.jialiuonline.com/

190. Re: Future of Morse Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-26 02:40:37 UTC
From: Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz>
Message-ID: <xxx-C19CF1.21403725022011@nntp.aioe.org>
Source record: 4779

doug <doug.morsit@gmail.com> wrote:
>
> What you ``really`` mean,is that you tried to learn Morse Code and
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> too difficult for you,so you just gave up,and decided to sneer at what
> very
> many radio amateurs see as a ``fun`` mode,and also very useful when
> conditions are poor with fading,noise, etc. etc.
> Also, it`s obvious that there are many digital and computerised modes
> these
> days, D-STAR etc. which many Morse code users also use and enjoy.
>
> `Nuff` said ! cheers to all. doug.

No, I never lifted a finger to learn Morse. I considered it useless
and obsolete. Events have proven me right. By the way, speaking of
things that are too difficult to learn, you might want to try to learn
about line length and line wrap. Yes, I know, computers and typing are
difficult.
The other problem is that even if I had learned Morse, who would I
have talked (beeped) to? I have no interest in talking with (or
exchanging beeps with) the Morse cultists.

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Klystron

191. Re: Future of Morse Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-26 04:45:46 UTC
From: jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com
Message-ID: <q4dm38-neo.ln1@mail.specsol.com>
Source record: 4781

Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:
> doug <doug.morsit@gmail.com> wrote:
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> have talked (beeped) to? I have no interest in talking with (or
> exchanging beeps with) the Morse cultists.

That you use terms like "Morse cultists" say a lot about you, none of it
good.

That, and the fact that years after what you objected to has gone away,
you still rant and stomp your feet in protest.

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Jim Pennino

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192. Re: Future of Morse Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-26 06:03:00 UTC
From: Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz>
Message-ID: <xxx-03C829.01030026022011@nntp.aioe.org>
Source record: 4782

jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com wrote:

> That you use terms like "Morse cultists" say a lot about you, none of it
> good.

The way that they speak and think about their sainted Samuel Morse
and his holy beeps is entirely consistent with the way that cult
followers relate to their cult leader. I stand by my characterization.

> That, and the fact that years after what you objected to has gone away,
> you still rant and stomp your feet in protest.

Ham radio is gone. That is what I am really lamenting, here. Ham
radio is dead and the beepists killed it. Look at the license numbers
and express them as a percentage of the total population. Ham radio has
been on a "going out of business curve" for decades. Face it, it's over.

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Klystron

193. Re: Future of Morse Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-26 16:37:31 UTC
From: jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com
Message-ID: <brmn38-k3t.ln1@mail.specsol.com>
Source record: 4783

Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:
> jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com wrote:
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>> good.
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> and his holy beeps is entirely consistent with the way that cult
> followers relate to their cult leader. I stand by my characterization.

You sound just like the guy in the dirty bath robe standing on a box in
the park shouting his screed with a crazed look in his eyes.

>> That, and the fact that years after what you objected to has gone away,
>> you still rant and stomp your feet in protest.
>
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> radio is dead and the beepists killed it. Look at the license numbers
> and express them as a percentage of the total population. Ham radio has
> been on a "going out of business curve" for decades. Face it, it's over.

I've been hearing that drival for close to 50 years now.

The percentage of the population that are trumpet players is less than the
percentage that are hams, so I guess trumpet playing is over.

Only a mental defective would fail to understand why ham radio, and trumpet
playing, is of interest to only a fraction of the population.

--
Jim Pennino

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194. SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 27 FEBRUARY 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-26 20:00:20 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <20110226200006.D8DDA33C51@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4784
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 27 FEBRUARY 2011

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'ARMI' and follow the links for details. PLEASE NOTE: for audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail. Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 and 3,695 MHz SSB.

In the news today

ICASA CHANGES ITS MIND ABOUT REGULATIONS

INNOVATION COMPETITION - FIRST PHASE WINNERS ANNOUNCED

THREE RADIO AMATEURS KILLED BY SOMALI PIRATES OFF THE COAST OF EAST AFRICA

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting news items.

ICASA CHANGES ITS MIND ABOUT REGULATIONS

The Council of ICASA has decided that the authority will not go through a second public review process but that the final regulations will be published in the Government Gazette soon. No final date was given at this week's SARL/ICASA liaison meeting but it will be before the end of March 2011.

At the liaison meeting the question of reciprocal agreements between SADC countries was also discussed. The SARL delegation pointed out that the SARL request to have this resolved is now long overdue and that some urgent attention should be given to this. The Chairman of the meeting, Phil Molefe, gave instructions to staff attending the meeting to respond to the SARL within a week. He chaired the meeting on behalf of Dumisa Ngwenya who is attending the WRC preparatory meeting in Geneva.

While not yet Gazetted, the license fees will not go up on 1 April 2011, but only in 2012. The license fee for the period 1 April 2011 to 31 March 2012 will remain R27.

The SARL delegation also discussed the gazetting of the allocation of 135,7 - 137,6 kHz. The allocation is included in the table of amateur radio frequency allocations which will be gazetted with the new regulations. ICASA however agreed to investigate the possibility of issuing a separate gazette.

INNOVATION COMPETITION - FIRST PHASE WINNERS ANNOUNCED

Eight Entries were received in the Innovation Competition sponsored by Multisource and Icom. Two winners were selected by the SA Amateur Radio Development Trust.

Deon Coetzee, ZR1DE, submitted a proposal for the development of a platform for a tracking Directional Antenna. The project proposal describes the development of an operational platform of both the mechanical structure as well as the electronic system required for the control of directional antennas such as for instance a parabolic dish type tracking a moving signal source such as a satellite.

Hannes Coetzee submitted 6 proposals of which one was chosen for immediate further development. The others will be developed as articles for Radio ZS later this year. His proposal for a simple, innovative ground station using modern, state-of-the-art RF IC's in conjunction with a Personal Computer equipped with a sound card is proposed for the reception of satellite downlink signals. Software Defined Radio (SDR) offers the opportunity to join the fun, learn about the future of radio and enjoy all the power of Digital Signal Processing offered by a PC without having to break the bank.

Both entrants have until 15 May to finalise their designs and produce a prototype to be presented at the annual SA Amateur Radio Development Trust Award function to be held in Midrand on 6 June 2011. The winner will be presented with an ICOM7000 HF transceiver by the Managing Director of Multisource, Richard Smuts-Stein.

THREE RADIO AMATEURS KILLED BY SOMALI PIRATES OFF THE COAST OF EAST AFRICA

Three Radio Amateurs Scott Adam, K9ESO, his wife Jean, KF6RVB, and Bob Riggle, KE7IIV, have been murdered by Somali pirates. Also killed with them was Phylis Macay.

The four were on board the Adam's owned yacht the Quest off the coast of Oman, East Africa, when pirates boarded their vessel on Friday, February 18. Officials were in the process of negotiating for their release when gunfire was heard around 01:00 on Tuesday, February 22.

United States Naval forces responded to the gunfire. Navy Seals then boarded the yacht only to discover that all four hostages had been shot by the pirates.

According to a statement from the US Central Command, despite immediate steps to provide life-saving care, all four hostages ultimately succumbed to their wounds.

Somali-based pirates have plagued the shipping industry off East Africa for years, but the violence used during the attacks and the money demanded in ransoms has increased in recent months. Sea going bandits are currently holding some 30 ships and more than 660 hostages, however, this is first time American hostages have been killed by a Somali pirate raid.

SARL CONVENTION

Remember the SARL Amateur Radio Convention on 16 April. Register before the end of February to make use of the discounted price for the Friday boat cruise and dinner, as well as the Saturday's Gala evening. This will be a highlight of the year! Visit www.qsl.net/zs4srk to register you place! The beautiful Vaal awaits!

HAMWAN MEETING

A HAMWAN meeting will be held for all interested radio amateurs. HAMWAN stands for HAM Wide Area Network. HAMWAN is a HAMNET initiative and involves a WiFi network used on amateur radio frequencies.

Details are as follows: Time: 19:00 Place: Echo Charlie in Plantation Road in Springs QRV: 145,675 MHz East Rand Repeater If you get lost: Call Chris on 083 543 5668 for directions.

The purpose of the meeting is to determine how and when they will assemble the equipment they already have in hand. Your assistance and knowledge will be highly appreciated.

CONTEST NEWS

Sunday 6 March 2011 - SARL Hamnet 40 m Simulated Emergency Contest. This SSB Contest is open to all Radio Amateurs in South Africa, Namibia, Botswana, Zimbabwe, Swaziland, Mozambique, Lesotho, Marion Island and South African Antarctica. Only contacts with these areas will count. The contest will run from 12:00 to 14:00 UTC. Participate as a Single operator stationary mobile; Single operator portable; Multi-operator portable or Single operator base station.

Saturday 12 March 2011 - SARL March Madness YL Sprint. This is a fun activity to celebrate International Women's Day (8 March) between radio amateurs in Southern African countries. Call "YL Sprint." The Sprint will run from 09:00 to 10:00 UTC. The exchange is a RS report and YL or OM.

Provisional results of the SARL National Field Day. The committee received 26 logs via email made up of 11 from Class A, 3 each from Class C and D and 9 from Class E. One of these logs is a check log.

Class A. 1st West Rand ARC, ZS6WR, 96 600 points 2nd Northern Cape ARC, ZS3NC, 85 860 points 3rd Sasolburg ARC, ZS4SRK, 56 400 points

Class B, no entries

Class C. 1st Wessie Wessels, ZS2A, 43 200 points 2nd Pierre van Deventer, ZS6A, 40 560 points 3rd Paul van Spronsen, ZS1PVS, 25 536 points

Class D. 1st Geoffrey Lotz, ZR6XZ, 56 160 2nd Pieter Nel, ZS1PN, 2 160 points

Eddie Leighton, ZS6BNE, made 10 710 points in this class as a check log.

Class E. 1st Pieter Jacobs, ZS6XT, 30 700 points 2nd Derek Stuart, ZS2J, 9 360 points 3rd Renier Burger, ZU6HOT, 7 236 points

The final and full results will be published in HF Happenings 445 in the coming week.

CLUB NEWS

NEW REPEATER ON MARIEPSKOP

The OTL Club has installed a repeater on Mariepskop. Coverage should be close to 200 km into the Kruger National Park. The frequency 145,712 5 MHz. No tone is needed.

Tests have been done with Schalk, ZS6DVD, in Skukuza, a distance of 80 km. He was using an external antenna and received the repeater S9+60 dB; also got reception reports from ZS6G in White River at S9 plus.

In Skukuza area you can use 145,637 5Mhz which is also linked to: Mariepskop on 145,712 5 MHz Middelburg 145,737 5 MHz Machadodorp 145,762 5 MHz Roos Senekal 145,662 5 MHZ Ermelo 145,700 MHz These repeaters are all linked together.

The Pretoria/JHB amateurs will now be able to talk into KNP if they can contact the Middelburg 145,737 5 Mhz repeater.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is at moderate levels. New sunspot 1 163 produced a spectacular M3 class solar flare on Feb. 24th. Sunspot 1 163 will continue turning toward Earth in the days ahead, setting the stage for more potent geo-effects if the eruptions continue. The effective sunspot number is expected to be around 30 for the coming week.

15 m will provide the best opportunities for DX followed by 20 m. Conditions to India will be good from the afternoon till after sunset. During the afternoons conditions will be good towards Europe on 15 m, later to be followed by good 20 m openings. Good 15 m contacts with the USA are possible during the evenings. Contacts with Australia are possible on 20 m after sunset. 15 and especially 20 m openings to Brazil and South America are possible during the afternoons. With the good 15 and 20 m openings 17 m will also be full of surprises.

For the CW and digital enthusiasts 30 m may be very rewarding with openings to many parts of the world.

Locally 40 m is the work horse for contacts around the country with 20 and 30 m also being very useful for contacts over the longer distances. 80 m will be best during the early mornings and late afternoons as well as over the shorter distances.

80 m is the frequency of choice during the evenings.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

Today 27 February - First SARL Digital Contest for 2011 from 13:00 to 16:00 UTC on 80, 40 and 20 metres. 28 February - Offers to host a station at Sun City during IARU Region 1 conference to be in to iaru2011@sarl.org.za. 28 February - Due date for inputs for SARL Strategic Indaba to armi@armi.sarl.org. 5 March - ZS6PTA Flea Market at POMC Club house in Keuning St, Silverton from 08:00. 6 March - SARL Hamnet 40 Metre Simulated Emergency Contest will be run from 12:00 to 14:00 UTC. 12 March - SARL March Madness YL Sprint from 09:00 till 10:00 UTC. 19 March - RTA, Programming in Windows course in Cape Town, book at www.sarl.org.za. 25 March - SAiSAT briefing session at the NARC. 2 April - SA AMSAT Space Symposium at Vodaworld, book at www.amsatsa.org.za. 15-16 April - SARL National Convention at Vaal University for Technology.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 560 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'ARMI' and follow the links. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 22:05 CAT on 3 215 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by Gustav, ZS6BWN.

Thank you for listening, 73.
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195. Re: Future of Morse Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-26 20:27:55 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <08a8e7b7-8c1d-4c47-8e81-b9134c7259b7@r4g2000prm.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4785

On Feb 24, 11:50 pm, Klystron <x...@yyy.zzz> wrote:
> Q. What is the future of Morse Code?
>
> A. Morse Code has no future. "Beeps" are for tired, cranky old goats who
> are living in the past and like it there. Buy a microphone or learn how
> to use a computer.
>
> --
> Klystron

trolll but a successfull one

196. Re: Future of Morse Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-26 23:01:27 UTC
From: Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz>
Message-ID: <xxx-0797D7.18012726022011@nntp.aioe.org>
Source record: 4786

jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com wrote:
> Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:

> > Ham radio is gone. That is what I am really lamenting, here. Ham
> > radio is dead and the beepists killed it. Look at the license numbers
> > and express them as a percentage of the total population. Ham radio has
> > been on a "going out of business curve" for decades. Face it, it's over.

> I've been hearing that drival for close to 50 years now.
>
> The percentage of the population that are trumpet players is less than the
> percentage that are hams, so I guess trumpet playing is over.
>
> Only a mental defective would fail to understand why ham radio, and trumpet
> playing, is of interest to only a fraction of the population.

You don't seem to understand the statements that you probably think
you have refuted. The percentage of the general population who are hams
has been declining for decades. Whether that percentage is large or
small is irrelevant. What matters is the continued, persistent DECLINE
of that percentage. While there may not be many trumpet players, can you
say that the percentage of the population that are trumpet players is
changing?
For someone who is quick to call others mentally defective, you
don't appear to be very bright.

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Klystron

197. Re: Future of Morse Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-26 23:44:01 UTC
From: Bert Hyman <bert@iphouse.com>
Message-ID: <Xns9E98B46567F4AVeebleFetzer@216.250.188.140>
Source record: 4787

In news:xxx-0797D7.18012726022011@nntp.aioe.org Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz>
wrote:

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> you have refuted. The percentage of the general population who are
> hams has been declining for decades. Whether that percentage is large
> or small is irrelevant. What matters is the continued, persistent
> DECLINE of that percentage. While there may not be many trumpet
> players, can you say that the percentage of the population that are
> trumpet players is changing?

An easy fix to the decline in the number of licensed hams in the US is
to use the same trick that was used with CB: Include the license in the
box with the radio.

Of course, amateur radio would then be useless, just like CB, but
there'd be a lot of hams.

Sound like something you could get behind?

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Bert Hyman W0RSB St. Paul, MN bert@iphouse.com

198. Re: Future of Morse Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-27 01:03:25 UTC
From: jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com
Message-ID: <tfko38-4c3.ln1@mail.specsol.com>
Source record: 4789

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Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:
> jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com wrote:
>> Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:
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>> > radio is dead and the beepists killed it. Look at the license numbers
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>> > been on a "going out of business curve" for decades. Face it, it's over.
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>> playing, is of interest to only a fraction of the population.
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> small is irrelevant. What matters is the continued, persistent DECLINE
> of that percentage. While there may not be many trumpet players, can you
> say that the percentage of the population that are trumpet players is
> changing?

The trumpet is roughly 3,500 years old.

Radio on the other hand is only about 100 years old and a lot of the
people in ham radio were alive while radio and radio related stuff was
a brand new, essentially unknown, and exciting field.

As radio has matured, the unknown parts have been pretty much eliminated,
usage is common, and the excitement has decreased, thus a decrease in
interest in the general population.

> For someone who is quick to call others mentally defective, you
> don't appear to be very bright.

You don't appear to know much history or anything about NAVAIDs.

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Jim Pennino

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199. Re: Future of Morse Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-27 01:14:48 UTC
From: Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz>
Message-ID: <xxx-3A8A69.20144826022011@nntp.aioe.org>
Source record: 4788

Bert Hyman <bert@iphouse.com> wrote:

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> box with the radio.
>
> Of course, amateur radio would then be useless, just like CB, but
> there'd be a lot of hams.
>
> Sound like something you could get behind?

If you want to put a license in a box, it might make more sense to put it in a box that contains an Ethernet router or a laser printer maintenance kit. The fact is, there are more "wireheads" today than there have ever been. They just don't choose to become hams. If you ask them why, the subject of beeps (and the cultists who worship beeps) will probably be mentioned.

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Klystron

200. Re: Future of Morse Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-27 02:47:26 UTC
From: jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com
Message-ID: <uiqo38-144.ln1@mail.specsol.com>
Source record: 4790

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Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:
> Bert Hyman <bert@iphouse.com> wrote:
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>> An easy fix to the decline in the number of licensed hams in the US is
>> to use the same trick that was used with CB: Include the license in the
>> box with the radio.
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> there have ever been. They just don't choose to become hams. If you ask
> them why, the subject of beeps (and the cultists who worship beeps) will
> probably be mentioned.
>

Well, no, again the current fascination with things computer related is
driven by the fact that it is new and evolving technology.

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Jim Pennino

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201. Re: Future of Morse Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-27 03:42:28 UTC
From: Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz>
Message-ID: <xxx-A9B79B.22422826022011@nntp.aioe.org>
Source record: 4791

jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com wrote:
> Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:

> > [...]

> The trumpet is roughly 3,500 years old.
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> Radio on the other hand is only about 100 years old and a lot of the
> people in ham radio were alive while radio and radio related stuff was
> a brand new, essentially unknown, and exciting field.
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> As radio has matured, the unknown parts have been pretty much eliminated,
> usage is common, and the excitement has decreased, thus a decrease in
> interest in the general population.

Do you have any basis in fact for that or is it just your
assumption? I have listened as a coworker asked quite a number of
technical people why they were not hams. The answers that I heard were
as I described. I never heard anything about a lessening of excitement
in a maturing technology.

> > For someone who is quick to call others mentally defective, you
> > don't appear to be very bright.
>
> You don't appear to know much history or anything about NAVAIDs.

That is an interesting conclusion in light of the fact that I have
posted nothing about history. Can you draw any similar deductions from
things that I haven't posted about my knowledge of tea price
fluctuations in the Orient?
As far as aeronautical beacons are concerned, I posted that they are
ALLOWED but not required to use Morse as an identifier. Morse zealots
often point to its allowability in that role as proof that it is still
needed and relevant. In a modern aircraft, you will never hear any
beeps. The identifiers will be read automatically and displayed on a
screen. Perhaps you fly one of those tiny little propeller planes that
have gauges and dials but no "screens."

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Klystron

202. Re: Future of Morse Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-27 06:26:26 UTC
From: jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com
Message-ID: <id7p38-bf5.ln1@mail.specsol.com>
Source record: 4792

Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:
> jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com wrote:
>> Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:
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>> > [...]
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> technical people why they were not hams. The answers that I heard were
> as I described. I never heard anything about a lessening of excitement
> in a maturing technology.

Obviously not as the question was not asked over a span of many decades
where it would show.

Last time I looked the average age of hams as far as anyone can tell
is somewhere in the 50 to 60 year old range, which means a whole lot of
them grew up shortly after the end of WWII when a portable radio weighed
20 lbs and had a very stout handle.

>> > For someone who is quick to call others mentally defective, you
>> > don't appear to be very bright.
>>
>> You don't appear to know much history or anything about NAVAIDs.
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>
> That is an interesting conclusion in light of the fact that I have
> posted nothing about history.

You statements show a total lack of historical knowledge on any subject.

> As far as aeronautical beacons are concerned, I posted that they are
> ALLOWED but not required to use Morse as an identifier. Morse zealots
> often point to its allowability in that role as proof that it is still
> needed and relevant. In a modern aircraft, you will never hear any

> beeps. The identifiers will be read automatically and displayed on a
> screen. Perhaps you fly one of those tiny little propeller planes that
> have gauges and dials but no "screens."

You haven't the slightest clue what you are talking about.

FYI, most of those "tiny little propeller planes" these days have glass
panels, but I doubt you have any idea what the term "glass panel" means.

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Jim Pennino

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203. Re: Future of Morse Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-27 07:34:10 UTC
From: Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz>
Message-ID: <xxx-F31CF8.02341027022011@nntp.aioe.org>
Source record: 4793

jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com wrote:
> Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:

> > Do you have any basis in fact for that or is it just your
> > assumption? I have listened as a coworker asked quite a number of
> > technical people why they were not hams. The answers that I heard were
> > as I described. I never heard anything about a lessening of excitement
> > in a maturing technology.

> Obviously not as the question was not asked over a span of many decades
> where it would show.

I said nothing about how long it was done. In fact, I saw it done
for a few years. He may still do it, for all I know.

> Last time I looked the average age of hams as far as anyone can tell
> is somewhere in the 50 to 60 year old range, which means a whole lot of
> them grew up shortly after the end of WWII when a portable radio weighed
> 20 lbs and had a very stout handle.

And therefore...

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> > posted nothing about history.
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I still insist that I have posted nothing about the history of any
subject. Neither have I posted about tea prices in the PRC. Still, you
claim to be able to assess my level of knowledge of history from what I
have not posted. Do you understand the concept of "projection," as in
Rorschach blots?

> > As far as aeronautical beacons are concerned, I posted that they are
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> > often point to its allowability in that role as proof that it is still
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> > screen. Perhaps you fly one of those tiny little propeller planes that
> > have gauges and dials but no "screens."

> You haven't the slightest clue what you are talking about.
>
> FYI, most of those "tiny little propeller planes" these days have glass
> panels, but I doubt you have any idea what the term "glass panel" means.

Utter hogwash. If you are referring to something like a Garmin G1000, a cheap version of the Rockwell Collins Pro Line or some other low-end glass cockpit retrofit for small planes, most of them don't have them and never will. The great majority of tiny little prop planes have gauges and dials.

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Klystron

204. EXTORADINARY HOT PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-27 08:43:30 UTC
From: SAMARA <jaidatta9247@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <7af3eabb-5a0c-419a-beee-acfbd6559d03@a11g2000pro.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4794

SEXY DIYA MIRZA
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/diya-mirza.html
HOT AISHWARIYA RAI
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/aish.html
priyamani hot&sexy photos
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/priyamani.html
KATRINA SEXY PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/katrina.html
ANUSHKA HOT PHOTOS
http://karomasti9.blogspot.com/2010/12/anuska.html

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http://sexy-rainsongs.blogspot.com/
FUNNY VIDEOS
http://sexy-rainsongs.blogspot.com/p/funny-video.html
TELUGU FUNNY VIDEOS
http://sexy-rainsongs.blogspot.com/p/telugu-funny-videos.html

205. Re: Future of Morse Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-27 17:43:31 UTC
From: jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com
Message-ID: <33fq38-ss9.ln1@mail.specsol.com>
Source record: 4795

Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:
> jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com wrote:

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>> panels, but I doubt you have any idea what the term "glass panel" means.
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> Utter hogwash. If you are referring to something like a Garmin
> G1000, a cheap version of the Rockwell Collins Pro Line or some other
> low-end glass cockpit retrofit for small planes, most of them don't have
> them and never will. The great majority of tiny little prop planes have
> gauges and dials.

Clueless.

It is difficult to find a new aircraft without a glass panel these days.

Cirrus SR22 Avidyne Entegra glass panel shot about half way down:

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cirrus_SR22

Cessan Skycatcher G3000 full glass panel:

http://www.cessna.com/single-engine/skycatcher/skycatcher-avionics.html

Cessan Skylane glass panel with integrated synthetic vision:

http://www.cessna.com/single-engine/skylane/skylane-avionics.html

Piper, all of them:

http://www.piper.com/Avionics.htm

Just as you are clues about the morse ID for NDBs, VORs, and VORTACs.

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Jim Pennino

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206. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-27 20:28:41 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <4082b6d1-6779-47ce-9eff-0c31c28c7c5a@o18g2000prh.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4796

On Feb 27, 3:43 am, SAMARA <jaidatta9...@gmail.com> wrote:
> SEXY DIYA MIRZA
can the spam

207. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 27th February 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-27 21:00:22 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20110227210004.79D1033C54@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4797
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 27th February 2011

New Zealand Earthquake

The President of The Irish Radio Transmitters Society, (IRTS), Paul Martin, EI2CA has been in contact with the President of New Zealand Association of Radio Transmitters (NZART). Paul writes as follows, " OMs You are in our thoughts today following the earthquake in Christchurch and we know that your members will be working hard for the community. If we can be of any assistance please let us know. Take care and pass our best wishes to all your operators working at the front line."

Paul EI2CA President, Irish Radio Transmitters Society (IRTS), IARU member society for Ireland.

A reply was received from Roy Symon, ZL2KH, President of NZART. Roy Symon, writes as follows, "Thanks very much for your good wishes. I have passed them on to the folks in Christchurch 73 Roy Symon, ZL2KH."

Paul Martin also writes as follows, "IRTS President, Paul EI2CA has been in direct contact with the New Zealand Society, NZART, to offer our Society's condolences. He also asked Debbie Morgan, NZART Business Manager to pass our support and admiration to their Emergency Communication teams working in Christchurch."

IRTS AGM Annual Dinner and Rally 2011

You are reminded of the importance of attending the IRTS AGM weekend, including Annual Dinner and Rally will be held this year on Saturday March 26th and Sunday March 27th. The event will be hosted by the Limerick Radio Club. The venue is the Radisson Blu Hotel, Ennis Road, Limerick.

For more information contact, Ger McNamara EI4GXB on 087 2532512 or ei4gxb/ at /gmail/ dot/ com. A new website for the Rally in Limerick on 27 March 2011 is now available, please go to http://limerickradiorally.com for more details.

The AGM dinner tickets priced at 35 are now available from Tony Condon at QTHR or by email to condona /at / eircom/ dot/ net.

IRTS Stand at Friedrichshafen Rally

IRTS members attending the Friedrichshafen rally this year and who are willing to be in attendance at the IRTS stand for some of the time whilst there are requested to contact Sean Nolan, EI7CD on email ei7cd / at / gofree / dot/ indigo / dot / ie .

IRTS Committee Meeting

The next IRTS committee meeting will be held on March 12th in Portlaoise. All affiliated clubs representatives are encouraged and welcome to attend.

Echo Ireland

The February 2011 issue of Echo Ireland has now been posted to members. This issue contains information about the AGM Weekend, 26 - 27 March hosted by Limerick Radio Club. The Committee Nominations for the year are published together with a request for Awards Nominations.

The "HF Happenings" column by Dave EI9FBB has lots of information on upcoming DX activity during the year and has a review of 2010 DXCC by Joe Reisert W1JR. Pat EI2HX and Charlie EI8JB continue their columns on ATV and Satellites. This month there is an article by Tony EI4DIB on the 4 meter band and on a 160 meter receive only loop antenna by Andy EI8GGB.

Tony EI5EM reminisces in his article "Thirty Years On", while Pat EI2HX provides useful information about the Incoming QSL Bureau.

The newsletter also has details of contests, rallies, clubs and classes and the results of the IRTS 80m Counties Contest together with an article on the Worked ITU Zones Awards.

Rod W6ROD writes about the work of the International Telecommunications Union - ITU - a UN organisation based in Geneva with membership from 192 States.

Hamvention 2011 Dayton, Ohio, USA.

Greg N2BSA who organizes the North Jersey DX Association trip to Dayton every year, is making a group booking in the Marriott Hotel. If there is anyone interested in travelling from EI, please contact Alan Cronin EI8EM. Members are advised to get in contact with Alan soon, as the hotel will fill fast. Alan's email address is alanei8em /at/ gmail/ dot / com.

Limerick Radio Club

Members of Limerick Radio Club presented Decoding the Code, as part of Engineers Week. 60 pupils took part and enjoyed building the CW kits. We were joined on the day by Kieran Horgan, Chairman Thomond branch of Engineers Ireland, who commented that the pupils were getting an important introduction to engineering. Many thanks to Tony EI2AW, Mike EI2IX, Tom EI3AL, Gerry EI3JU, Ger EI4GXB, Tom EI5CA and Simon EI7ALB who were very busy on the day.

International Amateur Radio Union

Arnie Coro, CO2KK, International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) Region II Area C Emergency Coordinator, advises users of the 40 and 20 meters bands to "be aware of possible (earthquake) emergency communications traffic taking place in and around the affected areas of New Zealand's South Island, where Christchurch is located."

He continues: "This is a city of about 400,000 population and it was hit pretty badly because of the proximity of the epicenter of the earthquake and the fact that it was registered at a very shallow depth and very near to the city.

"The propagation on 40 meters more likely to cause problems to the New Zealanders from unintentional QRM coming from the Americas is the window that starts about two or three hours before sunrise and lasts until sunrise at this end. A similar pattern, with a slight time shift shows up on 20 meters, too."

Specific emergency communications frequencies will be posted as soon as the information is available.

Radio Hams Keep Civil Defence in Touch

The Wireless Institute of Australia reports as follows;- "A small team of amateur radio operators are keeping the lines of communication open in earthquake-hit areas of Christchurch. The head of the Amateur Radio Emergency Communications team, Richard Smart, says 10 amateurs are using their two emergency broadcast vans to keep rescue teams and Civil Defence staff in touch. He says one is at a major welfare centre providing portable communication so they can talk to Civil Defence and the other vehicle is en route to assist search and rescue teams in an area where communication is poor. Mr Smart says amateur radio operators from around the country are volunteering to help out and others are sending updates on the disaster to families of people in Christchurch who are overseas."

Louth Earn Rally Yarns

In last week's news, Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club asked for memories of rallies over the thirty years since the Club's first one in April 1982. The first yarn came from Ronnie EI9ED. It was about the tour bus up from Kells to the Killyhelvin Hotel, the former rally venue.

Experimenters with empty bags came up from Dublin for the bus, which lifted them and local experimenters, then others along the road north. The banter was merry going up. But back before the border, all sat quiet worrying about the bargains in the boot. However, once past Customs and over the border, with big sighs of relief the banter broke out again.

Lough Erne rally hosts remember Phil, who asked to get in free for organising the bus. Who was Phil? Is he still about? Ask him to get in contact. Phil will get in free this year as Chairman's guest at the Pearl Anniversary Lough Erne Rally - and no Customs now on the road home.

The Rally is in SHARE on 17th April - the Sunday before Easter. It will be a great place to be for yarns, bargains and lots more to interest radio amateurs and experimenters.

And family too, with children's activities, a Sunday afternoon cruise on the Lough, lunch, bar food, ice cream, caravan, camping and B&B all on site at Ireland's largest residential activity centre.

DX News

A third attempt at landing on Sable Island (CY0) will be made on March 7 by the American team which had hoped to activate this DXCC entity last October and then again in December. The earlier attempts were thwarted by both weather and mechanical problems so lets hope it is a case of third time lucky. The team hope to be QRV from March 7 - 15.

Peter EI7CC will be QRV as 7P8PB while on holiday in Lesotho from March 9 - 23. He will be operating from the station of Gerry 7P8CC better known to us as EI8CC. It is hoped that lots of EI and GI operators make it into the log. QSLs will be OK via the home call.

Lars SM0CCM is having a holiday in the Caribbean and will be active as J73CCM from the island of Dominica. He will be there till March 28.

Another activity from Dominica at the moment is Jan DL7JAN who is signing J79AN till March 5.

The well-known DXpeditioners Phil G3SWH and Jim G3RTE are on Cocos Keeling Island at present signing VK9C/G6AY. They are active all bands 80 - 10m CW only. They will be there till March 5.

Rwanda DXpedition approved for credit

ARRL DXCC Manager Bill Moore, NC1L, reports that the 9X0SP 2010 DXpedition to Rwanda has been approved for DXCC credit.

If you have cards that were recently rejected for this operation, please send an e-mail to the ARRL DXCC Desk. Once your record is updated, results will appear in Logbook of The World accounts or in the live, daily DXCC Standings.

G3RWF is active as 5X1NH from Fort Portal in western Uganda until April 14. He prefers to operate CW but plans to also be on the digital modes with some SSB on all bands except 160m.

QSL via his home callsign G3RWF or electronically using Logbook of the World.

YL International 2012 Adelaide

The organization of the YL International 2012 Meet in Adelaide is almost complete. The meet dates are set with delegates arriving on or before 3 May 2012 staying at various venues in Glenelg. The next few days will see us tour Adelaide, Hahndorf, Cleland National Park, Port Adelaide including a Dolphin cruise and a progressive lunch at 3 Barossa Valley wineries. Those that are doing the optional Ghan tour will join it for either a 7 or 9 day adventure. The 7 day option allows you to leave the tour in Alice Springs after being out to Uluru and the 9 day tour finishes in Darwin. A web site has been created a website which is at www.ylinternational2012.com with detailed up to date information.

The Meet is open to YLs and their OMs. You don't have to be a member of any organization or even licensed but should be interested in amateur radio. Most participants are active on air but that is not a requirement for attendance. If you are interested in attending please complete the online expression of interest form, registration form or contact me directly. My contact details are below. The list of potential participants is growing and at the moment there are 60 who have expressed interest. Registration and deposits are due by September 2011.

For further details please contact Tina Clogg, vk5tmc /at/ bigpond/ dot / com.

Kells Radio Club

Ronnie, EI9ED, writes and tell us that the Kells Radio Club would like to announce the switching on of EI2LLX crossband facility. For the moment this Cross band connects to SEARG repeater networks and can be activated by DTMF *470 with a T.O.T. of 15 minutes. This crossband repeater can be activated from SEARG repeater network and also GI stations can activate the southern repeater system via the Cavan repeater EI2LLX using the same codes. To disconnect the repeater use DTMF #6

During this week stations were heard from Northern Ireland to Cork, from VK via IRLP through Waterford, Cavan to Northern Ireland.

Further updates will be forthcoming.

Across the Atlantic on 502kHz

At 21.34 GMT on 13th February, Joe, VO1NA managed a full beacon decode from Graham, G0NBD on 502kHz using the ROS mode, remote operation system.

It is believed this was the first live data mode decoded over the Atlantic on this band. The signal to noise ranged from -23 to -27dB, giving a 100% decode of the test message. The transmission was sent using MF-7 with an estimated ERP of 1 watt from a 35ft top loaded vertical.

ROS mode did a good job of resolving the signals despite deep and rapid QSB over the 3,500km path. At just over a year old the ROS data mode is relatively new and uses an adaptation of multiple frequency shift keying and forward error correction to help make successful contacts under very difficult band conditions.

The software for the mode is free http://rosmodem.wordpress.com

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The new Long Wavelength Array

What's being termed as an innovative new radio telescope array is now under construction in central New Mexico. One that will eventually harness the power of more than 13,000 antennas and provide a fresh eye to the sky.

This antenna farm will form what is being called the Long Wavelength Array. This is a radio telescope designed to survey the sky from horizon to horizon over a range of frequencies in the High Frequency spectrum from 20 to 80 MHz.

The first station in the Long Wavelength Array, with 256 antennas, is scheduled to start surveying the sky by this summer. When complete, the entire system will consist of 53 station locations, with a total of 13,000 antennas strategically placed in an area nearly 248 miles in diameter.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

208. Re: Future of Morse Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-27 21:10:44 UTC
From: Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz>
Message-ID: <xxx-FE7947.16104427022011@nntp.aioe.org>
Source record: 4798

jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com wrote:
> Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:

> >> FYI, most of those "tiny little propeller planes" these days have glass
> >> panels, but I doubt you have any idea what the term "glass panel" means.

> > Utter hogwash. If you are referring to something like a Garmin
> > G1000, a cheap version of the Rockwell Collins Pro Line or some other
> > low-end glass cockpit retrofit for small planes, most of them don't have
> > them and never will. The great majority of tiny little prop planes have
> > gauges and dials.

> Clueless.
>
> It is difficult to find a new aircraft without a glass panel these days.

There are over 300,000 aircraft in the FAA database. Most of them
are nowhere near new. Most of them will never be upgraded. Most of them
are tiny little prop planes with a few gauges and dials. The price of
the glass cockpit upgrade is greater then the remaining market value of
the aircraft, in most cases.

> Cirrus SR22 Avidyne Entegra glass panel shot about half way down:
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> http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cirrus_SR22
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> Cessan Skycatcher G3000 full glass panel:
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> http://www.cessna.com/single-engine/skycatcher/skycatcher-avionics.html
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> Cessan Skylane glass panel with integrated synthetic vision:
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> http://www.cessna.com/single-engine/skylane/skylane-avionics.html
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> Piper, all of them:
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> http://www.piper.com/Avionics.htm
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> Just as you are clues about the morse ID for NDBs, VORs, and VORTACs.

You aren't clueless, you are willfully ignorant. You have dug in
your heels and you will fight like a scrapyard dog to keep out any facts
that might challenge your preconceived ideas (well, if "ideas" is the
right term for that sort of thing). Beeps are as useless as an old Piper
Cub.

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Klystron

209. Re: Future of Morse Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-27 22:00:28 UTC
From: Kickin' Ass and Takin' Names <PopUlist349@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <lbilm6hhniar7oao477l0s5jrlfsrajisp@4ax.com>
Source record: 4799

On Thu, 24 Feb 2011 23:50:11 -0500, Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:

>Q. What is the future of Morse Code?
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>A. Morse Code has no future. "Beeps" are for tired, cranky old goats who
>are living in the past and like it there. Buy a microphone or learn how
>to use a computer.

Yawn.

210. Re: Future of Morse Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-27 22:02:41 UTC
From: jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com
Message-ID: <19uq38-kpb.ln1@mail.specsol.com>
Source record: 4800

Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:
> jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com wrote:
>> Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:
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>> >> FYI, most of those "tiny little propeller planes" these days have glass
>> >> panels, but I doubt you have any idea what the term "glass panel" means.
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>> > Utter hogwash. If you are referring to something like a Garmin
>> > G1000, a cheap version of the Rockwell Collins Pro Line or some other
>> > low-end glass cockpit retrofit for small planes, most of them don't have
>> > them and never will. The great majority of tiny little prop planes have
>> > gauges and dials.
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>> Clueless.
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>> It is difficult to find a new aircraft without a glass panel these days.
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> There are over 300,000 aircraft in the FAA database. Most of them
> are nowhere near new.

What part of "these days" do you have a problem understanding?

Yeah, most old airplanes don't have glass panels and most old cars don't
have fuel injection and engine control computers.

All of which is irrelevant to the fact that the current stuff does.

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Jim Pennino

Remove .spam.sux to reply.

211. Re: Future of Morse Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-27 23:37:23 UTC
From: Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz>
Message-ID: <xxx-C9CABF.18372327022011@nntp.aioe.org>
Source record: 4851

jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com wrote:
> Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:

> >> > [...]

> >> It is difficult to find a new aircraft without a glass panel these days.

> > There are over 300,000 aircraft in the FAA database. Most of them
> > are nowhere near new.

> What part of "these days" do you have a problem understanding?
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> Yeah, most old airplanes don't have glass panels and most old cars don't
> have fuel injection and engine control computers.
>
> All of which is irrelevant to the fact that the current stuff does.

No, the fact is that there isn't much "current stuff" in existence.
There are vast heaping piles of old junk, but precious little that is
new. Have you looked at the FAA database? As I said, there are over
300,000 entries. Those are the planes that exist today. You can't ignore
the ones that you don't like. The "fleet" is old and getting older. The
manufacturers of single engine propeller planes are teetering on the
brink of bankruptcy. One of them now refuses to release data to the
media about the number of orders that it has on its books (per Business
and Commercial Aviation magazine). There are very few single engine prop
planes in existence that have anything beyond the old 'steam gauge'
cockpit. At the current rate of production (and sale) that situation
will never change significantly.
So just keep on ignoring the facts that you don't like or that
interfere with your chosen beliefs. Keep on pretending that beeps are
useful and that dinky little planes are well equipped and modern.

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Klystron

212. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1000

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-27 23:48:07 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <183514.34890.qm@smtp102.sbc.mail.mud.yahoo.com>
Source record: 4852
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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information.

**** SPECIAL NOTE FROM EDITOR (OPDX Hits 1000!). It is hard to believe
that I have written 1000 bulletins since 1991. It is even harder to
believe that the bulletin went out almost 20 years ago and OPDX's
20th anniversary will be on March 11th. Many changes have happened
since the first bulletin (distribution, the number of subscribers,
format and size). The bulletin was originally written for a small
group of PacketClusters between Ohio and Pennsylvania, and an online
phone BBS (called BARF80) which then expanded to an InterNet mailing
list. There is no real way to know now how many people read the OPDX
because it is distributed via 9 mailing lists (which includes the
OPDX Subscribers Mailing List - currently having over 3200 subscribers
and provided by Dave/WB8APD, via HAMNET.org), 3 UseNet groups, the
Official OPDX Web Page (HTML version provided by John/K8YSE) and
several other Web pages that post the bulletin. The bulletin itself
has grown from about 75-100 lines each week to over 500-600+ lines.
The main purpose of the bulletin was to help individuals achieve their
DXCC, but now has expanded to achieve/work towards other awards and
special interests. The bulletin's information is provided by many
individuals, searches on the Web and other dedicated shared sources,
usually listed at the top of bulletin each week. If not for them,
there would not be a bulletin. I also must not forget my wife Linda,
OPDX's chief proof-reader/non-ham/LD teacher. As my wife continually
keeps asking me each week, "Why do you do it for FREE?", the answer
is -- For the love of the hobby and to help others work DX.....
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73 de Tedd KB8NW

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 20th-February, through Sunday, 27th-February there were 230 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 3X, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5V, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H2, H4, H40, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HK0/a, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/m, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T30, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VK9C, VP2E, VP2M, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD9, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS, ZS8

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

4A, REVILLAGIGEDO (Update). By the time you read this, the 4A4A team should be in Mexico's Manzanillo's port, on the Pacific Ocean coast, and is expected to take a 2 day trip by boat to the Revillagigedo Island group on March 1st. The 4A4A team should be on the air March 3rd from Socorro Island (NA-030) until March 20th. They will have 3 stations running simultaneously on CW, SSB and RTTY, as conditions permits. QSL via EB7DX direct. All QSOs will be confirmed via LoTW automatically. The DXpedition's Web site is: http://www.revillagigedo2011.com

5V, TOGO. Franco, I1FQH, is once again active as 5V7DX from Kpalime Village in central Togo until March 4th. Activity will will be on 20-10 meters using a Spiderbeam and on 40-30 meters using a homebrew vertical. His rig will be an ICOM 7000 w/KL500 solid state amplifier. He was heard this past weekend very active on 30 meters CW. QSL via LoTW (preferred) or via his home callsign, direct (w/SASE) or by the Bureau. The log will be available here (porbably after his return) at:
http://dx.qsl.net/cgi-bin/logform.cgi?5v7dx
Franco has pictures and video on his YouTube channel from his last visit and probably will put more on there after his return home at:
http://www.youtube.com/user/i1fqh

7P8, LESOTHO. Peter, EI7CC, will be active as 7P8PB from his brother-in-law's station (7P8CC/EI8CC) in Maseru between March 9-23rd. Activity will be limited because he will be on a family holiday and will operate when circumstances permit. QSL via EI7CC, by the Bureau or direct. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW immediately upon his return to Ireland. If possible, Peter may try to upload them while in Lesotho.

7P, LESOTHO (Update). Two members of the Texas DX Society, Frosty/K5LBU (7P8CF) and Wayne/W5KDJ (7P8KDJ), will be active from the "Trading Post Lodge" in Roma between March 11-20th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. They plan to have 2 full time stations on the air for the entire period using a Tennadyne T6 at about 40 feet, a R7 vertical along with a Tennadyne TD-160 which is a folded Dipole that is 126 feet overall in length. QSL 7P8CF via K5LBU, direct or LoTW. QSL 7P8KDJ via W5KDJ, only direct with SASE, LoTW and eQSL (No Bureau cards please). Visit their Web page at: http://www.tdxs.net/lesotho2011.html
A log search Web page will be available after their return.

7Q, MALAWI. QSL Manager Allan, G0IAS, informs OPDX that he dropped Harry, 7Q7HB (G0JMU), at the airport for another trip to 7Q-land this past week. Length of stay is not known at this time,... possibly TWO MONTHS minimum. Harry will be busy the first week there, but after that he will try to be active as often as possible. Activity will probably be on the Digital modes and CW. QSL as usual is ONLY DIRECT to G0IAS with sufficient funds for return cards (After April 1st, 1 USD is no longer sufficient postage for ANY destination -- UK postage has increased again). NO BUREAU cards. NO eQSLs. Just old fashioned paper cards DIRECT! Allan states, "SORRY NO RETURN POSTAGE = NO CARD."

9L, SIERRA LEON (Update). Once again in close cooporation between the DAGOE Foundation, Mercy Ships and 4 Dutch radio amateurs, planning is being done for a DXpedition to Sierra Leone. The Team will stay in Sierra Leone between March 28th and April 18th . The location will be in the area of the capital Freetown. This DXpedition was originally planned two weeks earlier but their cargo container got delayed and because of that they lost that time-window. The team will use the callsign 9L5MS. Operators mentioned are: Arie/PA3A (CW/SSB), Bas/PD0CAV (SSB/RTTY), Ad/PA8AD (CW/SSB), Dickson/EL2DT and Arie/PA3AN (SSB/RTTY). Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. The equipment consists of 3 transceivers and linears. The antennas are verticals for 160-30m and beams for 20-6m. For 160m, 80m, 40m and 30m extra receiving antennas will be used to improve station receive capability. They will have a 160/80m receive 4-square and 2 DHDL's for 30/40m. They will take special care to listen for remote locations and small stations. Goal of the team is to work as many different stations as possible and to be open for the smaller stations ("little pistols"). As an experiment, the team will also try to work 6m EME contacts using JT65 and a 5-element beam between March 16-20th, when the moon is in a good position. The Team is supported by Mercy Ships crew members and staff. The team set the following goals and will be able to reach these goals with help of the radio amateur community worldwide:
1.Activate the DXCC-entity Sierra Leone on the HF bands
2.Provide support for a Mercy Ships Charity Project
3.Raise funds for the Mercy Ships Charity Project
All donations and surplus from the QSL will be transferred to the Mercy Ships Charity Project. QSL via PA3AWW, by the Bureau or direct (see info on the Web page). Also, QSLs can be requested with a donation via the OQSL request service on the Web page. For more details and updates, visit their Web page at: http://www.sierraleone2011.com/sl_2011/home.php

Also, see the 9L5MS video announcement (youtube) at:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-KoY7lwjcRs
You can also follow the team on Twitter: @DXpedition.
Information about the Mercy Ships organization at: http://www.mercyships.org

CN, MOROCCO. Mathieu, MJ0ASP, is returning to Marrakech between March 14-21st, and will be active as CN2MR. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW. However, he will focus on the 30/17/12 meter bands. QSL via MJ0ASP and LoTW.

CT9, MADEIRA. Operators Rosel/DL3KWR and Hardy/DL3KWF will be active as CT9/homecall from Canico de Baixo, Madeira (AF-014), between March 10th and April 6th. Activity will be on 30/17/12 meters using mostly CW. Also, Hardy is expected to try some RTTY and PSK31. QSL via their home callsign. Bureau QSL cards can be requested via E-mail at: dl3kwr@darc.de
dl3kwf@darc.de
Visit their Web site at: http://www.mydarc.de/dl3kwr

CY0, SABLE ISLAND (Update). Randy, N0TG, reports (edited): "Providing flight conditions are suitable, all is set for commencing operations around 2100z on March 7th. The team will standby and be ready to go on a day to day basis should there be delay. Frequencies are listed as follows, but may have to be adjusted if pre-empted by others:
CW - 1826, 3523, 7023, 10106, 14023, 18072, 21023, 24892 and 28023
SSB - 3781, 7140, 14190, 18145, 21295, 24945 and 28450 kHz
RTTY - Refer to Web site.
QSL via the ONLINE QSL SERVICE (Preferred/fastest) or direct via N0TG for all callsigns. Three stations will be operational simultaneously as much as possible as follows: N0TG/CY0, K8LEE/CY0 and N1SNB/CY0.
Additional details are available on the Web site at:
http://www.cy0dxpedition.com "

DAYTON HAMVENTION NEWS (Contest Dinner Speaker Announced). Tim, K3LR, Dayton Contest Dinner Chairman, reports (edited): "North Coast Contesters are proud to announce that Scott Redd, K0DQ, will be the featured speaker during the 19th Annual Dayton Contest Dinner on Saturday, May 21, 2011, at the Crowne Plaza in downtown Dayton, Ohio. Information about the dinner is available at: http://contestdinner.com
An outstanding contest operator, K0DQ had an impressive Single-Operator/ All-Band effort last weekend in the ARRL International DX CW contest:
http://lists.contesting.com/pipermail/3830/2011-February/218464.html
Scott was the featured speaker at the 2000 Dayton Contest Dinner which was completely sold out. You can read more about K0DQ here:
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/John_Scott_Redd
http://www.arrl.org/news/scott-redd-k0dq-the-biggest-gun-of-all "

DXCC NEWS (Awards Processing Update). The ARRL Awards-Blog page reports the following: "We are nearly done with processing all the 2010 DXCC applications. At this point we are reconciling hybrid applications and determining final disposition of applications with problems. It will take us about one more week to finish these tasks, at which time we will shut down the DXCC system so that the data for 2010 (Annual Listings and

Honor Roll listings) can be tabulated.
After we have the 2010 data, we will work with IT staff to incorporate the newest DXCC entities into LoTW and call for LoTW certificate requests from the PJ operations.
VUCC paper applications from 2010 and the first few weeks of 2011 have been entered into the VUCC system, but not processed further. Those who submitted those applications, and have accounts in LoTW, can see that data inside their accounts. Link requests for VUCC have been processed where it was possible without manual intervention. There are approximately 60 link requests that will require further work at HQ.
DXCC and VUCC fees are being evaluated. If the fees are changed (they will not be raised), the new rates will be applied to any applications received in 2011."

IO4, ITALY (Special Event). Look for special event station IO4UI to be active between March 1st and September 30th. Activity is to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the Unification of Italy. All of QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the Bureau. More details are available on QRZ.com. QSL via I4JEE.

IOTA NEWS.....
EU-008. Operators Graham/MM0GHM, Gordon/MM0GOR and Mark/M0UTD will be active as MS0KLR from the Isle of Muck (IOSA NH06, SCOTIA DI18), Inner Hebrides, between April 16-19th. Activity will be on all HF bands. QSL by the Bureau to MM0KLR, or direct to MM0GHM.
More details at: http://qrz.com/db/MS0KLR

EU-042. Operators Friedrich/DL4BBH, Helmut/DL1BGC, Karl/DJ4FO, Peter/DJ4RU, Henning/DB5BZ and Ric DL2VFR will be active as DF0WFF from Langeness Island (GIA N-19, WLOTA 1245), and the National Park and Nature Reserve Schleswig-Holstein Wadden Sea (WFF DLFF-013, Grid Loc. JO44) between April 8-10th. Activity will be on the HF/VHF/UHF bands using CW and SSB. QSL DL2VFR, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-044. Operators Bert/DL2RNS and Ric/DL2VFR are planning to be active as LA/homecall from Mageroya Island between May 28-31st. Their activity will coincide with the CQ WPX CW Contest (May 28-29th). The operators plan to concentrate their operation during the first two days on 30/17/12 meters CW. After the contest they will work on all bands, CW, SSB and with special attention to the JA stations. Ric mentions that propagation should be interesting since at this time of year they will have a midnight sun for 24 hours (NO darkness at all). ADDED NOTE: They "may" also make a side trip to EU-141 or EU-139 (they are undecided).

EU-059. Operators Peter/M0NED, Steve/M6ZIX and Paul/2E0GDD will be active from the Isle of Hirta (IOSA OL02, SCOTIA DI23), St. Kilda, between May 31st and June 3rd. They are planning to use a special callsign (GB0xxx), and it is currently pending. A delay on their station setup or even an extended operating stay may happen due to sea conditions (50 mile crossing to

the island). QSL via the RSGB Bureau. For updates and details,
visit the Web site at: http://www.ukradio.eu/stkilda/

EU-124. Operators Pete/M1PTR, Bernard/G3SHF, Carsten/G0SYP, David/M0DCB,
Evan/M0TJU, Chris/G8HCB, Christine/2E0LMG and Kieron/M5KJM
will be active as GW5O from Holy Island (WLOTA 3338), Wales,
between July 29th and August 1st. Activity will include an
entry in the RSBG IOTA Contest (July 30-31st). QSL by the
Bureau. Visit the group's Web page at: http://www.g5o.org.uk

OC-201. John, 9M6XRO, informs OPDX that he is planning a short operation
from Waiheke Island as ZL/GD3OOK between March 7-11th. He will
use a linear and wire antennas. QSL via M0URX, direct, OQRS or
and LoTW.

J45/SX5, DODECANESE. Martin, ON4PO, will be active as J45PO between March
23rd and April 2nd. Operations will be from the SX5P contest station on
Rhodes Islands, so look for activity before and after the CQ WPX SSB
Contest (March 26-27th), mostly SSB and some PSK. During the contest
Martin will be on 40 meters. QSL via J45PO via ON4PO. QSL SX5P via SV5FRD.

KG4, GUANTANAMO BAY (60m Op). Tip/N4SIA (KG4AS) and Bill/W4WV (KG4WV) are
currently active from this entity on 60 meters until March 8th. They were
on Channel 5, and the operators were reporting a high noise level.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (For February 28-March 6th)....
Feb 28 AN SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS
Mar 01 AN-HN --------------------
Mar 02 AN BN - Below Normal
Mar 03 AN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Mar 04 AN LN - Low Normal
Mar 05 HN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Mar 06 HN DIS - Disturbed
VDIS - Very Disturbed

GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

P4, ARUBA (SA-036). John, W2GD, will be active as P40W during the CQWW
WPX CW Contest (May 28-29th). Operations outside of the contest will
be on 160m and 30/17/12 meters as time permits. QSL via LoTW or direct
to N2MM. Logs will be loaded on LoTW upon his return to the USA.

PZ, SURINAM. Serge, RX3APM, will active as PZ5P during the ARRL DX SBB
Contest (March 5-6th). QSL via UA4LU.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....................
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated February 27th)

3G1F via EA5KB II2MM via IK2AQZ PJ6/G4IUF via G4IUF
5H3MB via IK2GZU II3ANT via IZ3DBA PJ6/W6IZT via N7XG
5H6CC via IN3ATM II3MNA via IQ3TS PP3C via PY3OZ
8P3A via VE3DZ II5ANT via IZ5BTC PW7T via PT7WA
9H3SM via OE6MBG II7ITA via IQ7DV S50ANT via S51RU
9M6XRO/8 via M0URX II8AAW via I8QJU SO8N via SP8KAF
AO1AAW via EA1GHT IO5ANT via IW5EFX SY2V via SV2GJV
BY3CQ via BA3AO IP8AAW via IK2FIQ TM95BV via F6KUP
CN2BG via F8ALU IR0AW via IZ0PSA V31RR via AI4U
CO2GL via EB7DX IR2IR via IK2YVA V31RU via DG7RO
DL60HSC via DK7VW IU1ANT via IZ1POO V48M via W2OX
EA8/LA5YI via LA5YI J79AN via DL7JAN VA7AAW via VE7IG
ED1L via EA1EJ J79XBI via SM0XBI VB3ANT via VA3ITA
EE7HMC via EA7HMC K0ANT via KB0MZF VK9C/G6AY via G3SWH
EG1WAP via EA1GIB K4K via K4MZU W2VQ/C6A via W2VQ
EG5JRT via EA5URD KG4AS via N4SIA WH7Z via W0CN
EG7DCA via EA7URS KG4WV via W4WV XR2Q via CA3OEV
EH7MDA via EA7URM L82D via LU8DR YO775BV via YO6KAF
FM1HN via NI5DX LO2W via LU7DSY ZP6CW via ZP6CU or LoTW
FM/DL1CW via DL1CW LT5D via LU2DT ZV5C via PP5CIT (direct)
G3V via G3VER LT5X via WD9EWK ZW7REF via PR7ZAJ
HQ5A via KA2AEV or LoTW OP5T via ON5UM ZY7F via PS7AA
HS0ZID via WX8C OT7X via ON7XT
II0AAW via IK0TRV PJ4/CX3AN via CX3AN

QSL EA5RKP via the Bureau. Special event station active this past weekend from the Polytechnic University of Valencia in Spain for a radio promotion.

UA2FL AND R750Y QSL STATUS. Jack, RN3RQ, states that he received the logs from Slava (UA2FL & R750Y) and will begin to start sending cards out to all. See QSL policy on: http://qrz.com/db/RN3RQ

QSLS VIA LoTW: 4O3A, C6AKQ, D44TBE, HA5KN/P, HK1N, J39BS, JA1CQK, LY3M, MU/F4EGD, OX3XR, PA1PE, PU8TEP, RW3XZ, RZ3FW, SD58Q, SM2EKM, US1IW, US6EX, UY5AA, V31RR, XE1SOV, YS3CW, YV5OIE and Z36W

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 1A0KM, 9L5VT, A25SL, AT25RG, BV100, ER4ER, GD6IA, J6/K8EAB, JY5HX, PJ2T, PJ4D, PJ4W, PJ4X, PJ6A, PJ7E, PX8J, PX8L, S21YX, ST2AR, SV1ASP/A, T6AF, TJ3AY, TL0A, TU2XZ, V73QQ, VK0KEV, VU7NRO, ZD7FT and ZL8X
6M - A92GR, N2TU, K3WC, NN4X and W6UB

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: EM20UCC, RU3FN, S51ZZ, UA4FRL, UR4LWC, UT7L, UW5ZM, VO1KVT and YI9PT

T30, WEST KIRIBATI (Reminder). Operators Jacek/SP5EAQ and Jacek/SP5DRH will once again be active from the Pacific, but this time to activate Tarawa Island (OC-017) as T30AQ and T30RH, respectively, between March 1-17th. Activity will be on all bands 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Jacek, SP5DRH, will focus mainly on 160 meters and 30 meters RTTY, with some 80 meters. Jacek, SP5EAQ, is a SSB operator and will operate

on the remaining bands. They will have two separate stations using Elecraft K3/100 with 600w amps. Antennas are: 18m high Spiderbeam poles (few 9m long poles) and a GP5 antenna by SP7GXP. They will try to operate at the same time. Rys, SP5EWY, will be their pilot station for this operation. QSL via their home callsigns. For more details and update, visit their Web site at: http://www.sp5drh.com/t30

TF, ICELAND. Siggi, LX1NO/TF3CW, will be active as TF3W, the IRA (Islenskir Radioamatorar) club callsign, during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 5-6th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m) entry. QSL via TF3IRA.

V2, ANTIGUA. Operators Bob/W4OWY and Mark/W9OP will once again be active as V25WY and V25OP, respectively, between March 8-18th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via their home callsign or by the Bureau. Logs will also be uploaded as before to LoTW and eQSL.

VR, HONG KONG. Charlie, VR2XMT, has been quite active recently on 15 10 meters SSB. Other activities also include 20 and 17 meters SSB with some RTTY on 20 meters. Since Charlie is no longer the member of the Hong Kong Amateur Radio Transmitting Society (HARTS), PLEASE DO NOT QSL VIA THAE BUREAU. Also, No eQSL, LoTW and QRZ Logbook. QSL only direct with geen stamp(s) or valid IRC(s), and a Self-Addressed-Envelope. Visit his Web page at: http://www.vr2xmt.com

VU4, ANDAMAN ISLANDS (Update). Members of the Amateur Radio Society of India (ARSI) who plan to be active as VU4PB from Port Blair, between March 15-31st, now have a survey/poll on their Web page for "bands and modes" needs. Go to: http://arsi.info/dxpeditions/vu4pb-mar-2011
The group is also looking for sponsors to help off-set their costs.
A PAYPAL account is available.

ZA, ALABANIA. Operators Vittorio/I2GPT, Roberto/IK2PGM, Paolo/IW2HKW, Dimitri/IW2JOP, Giorgio/IZ2BKP and Marco/IZ2QCP will be active as ZA/I2GPT from Albania between March 9-13th. Activity will be on 40/30/20/17 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via I2GPT, by the Bureau or direct.

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ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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213. Re: Future of Morse Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-28 01:13:31 UTC
From: jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com
Message-ID: <re9r38-u0d.ln1@mail.specsol.com>
Source record: 4853

Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:
> jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com wrote:
>> Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:
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>> >> > [...]
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>
>> >> It is difficult to find a new aircraft without a glass panel these days.
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>
>> > There are over 300,000 aircraft in the FAA database. Most of them
>> > are nowhere near new.
>
>
>> What part of "these days" do you have a problem understanding?
>>
>> Yeah, most old airplanes don't have glass panels and most old cars don't
>> have fuel injection and engine control computers.
>>
>> All of which is irrelevant to the fact that the current stuff does.
>
>
> No, the fact is that there isn't much "current stuff" in existence.

The "curent stuff" is the stuff currently in production, which is
predominantely with glass panels.

Of course this has nothing to do with your clain that airplanes will display
the identifier of NAVAIDS on the panel; this is nonsense.

No NDB identifies itself with anything other than morse code.

Some VORs and VORTACs voice identify and all of them identify with morse
and there are no other means of identification.

Aviation radios do not contain morse decoders.

The ID is sent so slowly it is quite easy to write down the dots and dashes
as they are sent and compare them to the dots and dashes that are printed
on the navigation charts if one doesn't know morse code, so anyone saying
knowledge of morse is required to fly is talking out their ass.

You, like a spoiled child, have fixated on the babbling of some other troll
to justify your trolling.

<snip irrelevant babble unread>

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Jim Pennino

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214. Re: Future of Morse Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-28 02:00:49 UTC
From: Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz>
Message-ID: <xxx-0FF94E.21004827022011@nntp.aioe.org>
Source record: 4854

jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com wrote:
> Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:

> > No, the fact is that there isn't much "current stuff" in existence.

> The "curent stuff" is the stuff currently in production, which is
> predominantely with glass panels.

It is currently in production, but the rate of production is
extremely slow. Therefore, there are very few of those planes in
existence. When you see a single engine prop plane flying, that is, an
actual plane flying in the real world, you can safely bet that it is not
equipped with a glass cockpit. Of course, pictures of new airplanes in
catalogs are much better equipped.

> Of course this has nothing to do with your clain that airplanes will display
> the identifier of NAVAIDS on the panel; this is nonsense.
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> No NDB identifies itself with anything other than morse code.
>
> Some VORs and VORTACs voice identify and all of them identify with morse
> and there are no other means of identification.
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> Aviation radios do not contain morse decoders.
>
> The ID is sent so slowly it is quite easy to write down the dots and dashes
> as they are sent and compare them to the dots and dashes that are printed
> on the navigation charts if one doesn't know morse code, so anyone saying
> knowledge of morse is required to fly is talking out their ass.

Any reasonably current glass cockpit will display named waypoints
superimposed over weather data. The newest ones will include aviation
maps. See Honeywell's and Rockwell Collins' web sites for examples. You
have fixated on a single type of "aeronautical beacon."

> You, like a spoiled child, have fixated on the babbling of some other troll
> to justify your trolling.

You, like some fool who has been exposed as a poseur can only vilify
your opponent, because you have no facts at your service. What troll
have I quoted? I have cited the FAA's downloadable database, B/CA
magazine, Honeywell and Rockwell Collins. Where is the questionable
source? If you had any integrity at all, you would have apologized for
your comment that I probably didn't know what a 'glass panel' was.
You have responded emotionally to a post that has challenged your
holy Morse code. You became further enraged when your dinky little

flying eggbeaters were ridiculed as obsolete toys. I don't know what you fly, but I hope you don't carry paying passengers. You lack the emotional stability for that sort of responsibility.

> <snip irrelevant babble unread>

If you didn't read it, how did you determine that it is irrelevant?

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Klystron

215. Re: Future of Morse Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-28 05:37:49 UTC
From: jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com
Message-ID: <duor38-poe.ln1@mail.specsol.com>
Source record: 4855

Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:
> jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com wrote:
>> Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:
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>> > No, the fact is that there isn't much "current stuff" in existence.
>
>
>> The "curent stuff" is the stuff currently in production, which is
>> predominantely with glass panels.
>
>
> It is currently in production, but the rate of production is
> extremely slow.

Irrelevant as the rest of the paragraph.

<snip crap>

>> Of course this has nothing to do with your clain that airplanes will display
>> the identifier of NAVAIDS on the panel; this is nonsense.
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>> No NDB identifies itself with anything other than morse code.
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>> Some VORs and VORTACs voice identify and all of them identify with morse
>> and there are no other means of identification.
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>> Aviation radios do not contain morse decoders.
>>
>> The ID is sent so slowly it is quite easy to write down the dots and dashes
>> as they are sent and compare them to the dots and dashes that are printed
>> on the navigation charts if one doesn't know morse code, so anyone saying
>> knowledge of morse is required to fly is talking out their ass.
>
>
> Any reasonably current glass cockpit will display named waypoints
> superimposed over weather data.

Yep, and the GPS data, which is what that is, comes from the same data the
navigation charts come from, it doesn't come over the radio.

You can see the NAVAID on the GPS display or you can see it on the paper
chart, but neither of those will tell you that you have the NAV radio
tuned to any particular NAVAID.

<snip crap>

>> You, like a spoiled child, have fixated on the babbling of some other troll
>> to justify your trolling.

<snip remaining childish, babbling, crap>

--
Jim Pennino

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216. Re: Future of Morse Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-28 06:15:43 UTC
From: Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz>
Message-ID: <xxx-4BA253.01154328022011@nntp.aioe.org>
Source record: 4856

jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com wrote:
> Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:

> > It is currently in production, but the rate of production is
> > extremely slow.

> Irrelevant as the rest of the paragraph.
>
> <snip crap>

No, it is directly on topic. The point is that real planes (dinky
little ones, that is) that actually exist in the real world don't have
glass cockpits. They have crude "steam gauges" and not many of them, at
that.

> > Any reasonably current glass cockpit will display named waypoints
> > superimposed over weather data.

> Yep, and the GPS data, which is what that is, comes from the same data the
> navigation charts come from, it doesn't come over the radio.
>
> You can see the NAVAID on the GPS display or you can see it on the paper
> chart, but neither of those will tell you that you have the NAV radio
> tuned to any particular NAVAID.
>
> <snip crap>

In sum, it sounds like you are saying that beeps play little or no
role in navigating an airplane. They are not "needed."

> >> You, like a spoiled child, have fixated on the babbling of some other
> >> troll
> >> to justify your trolling.
>
> <snip remaining childish, babbling, crap>

You deleted the most important part, where I discussed your attitude
and your lack of integrity. Be that as it may, I looked you up in the
FAA database and the FCC and QRZ ham radio databases. There are two
Penninos with pilots licenses, but neither one is exactly an Airline
Transport Pilot, if you get my drift, captain.
Poseur.

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Klystron

217. NEW SEECC Members in February 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-28 12:11:56 UTC
From: s52ru <rabic.romeo@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <7df78511-0059-496b-847d-0fe358b034dd@o10g2000vbg.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4857

We welcome our new SEECC members :

UA4LU - Vladislav KOUZMINYKH SEECC N# 070
K9DXR - RUSSELL HIBMA SEECC N# 071
K5UO - MIKE BRAGASSA SEECC N# 072
LU8EOT - MARIANO COLACILLI SEECC N# 073

http://www.seecc.net/become_member.html

http://seecc.net/

73 de Romeo S52RU / ZL2RU

218. BEST HOT MASALA VIDEOS SITES AND LIP KISS PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-28 13:43:38 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <54204e89-dd2b-4d3a-b3ce-84126250884d@a8g2000pri.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4858

ALL HOT PHOTOS SUPER SeXY PHOTOS
http://alltoux.blogspot.com/2010/09/hot-lip-kiss-135.html

hot lip kiss

HOT LIP KISS 109
http://alltoux.blogspot.com/2010/09/hot-lip-kiss-109.html
HOT LIP KISS 115
http://alltoux.blogspot.com/2010/09/hot-lip-kiss-115.html
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219. ADULT HOT PHOTOS&VIDEOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-28 15:32:24 UTC
From: SAMARA <jaidatta9247@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <42756205-f679-40d6-8c81-3b5960034a56@k10g2000prh.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4859

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220. Re: Future of Morse Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-28 18:02:59 UTC
From: jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com
Message-ID: <jj4t38-uuj.ln1@mail.specsol.com>
Source record: 4860

Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:
> jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com wrote:
>> Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:
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>> > It is currently in production, but the rate of production is
>> > extremely slow.
>
>
>> Irrelevant as the rest of the paragraph.
>>
>> <snip crap>
>
>
> No, it is directly on topic. The point is that real planes (dinky
> little ones, that is) that actually exist in the real world don't have
> glass cockpits. They have crude "steam gauges" and not many of them, at
> that.

Nope.

The topic was about what is the state of the art.

Old stuff is obviously not state of the art and irrelevant to a dicsussion
of the state of the art.

>> > Any reasonably current glass cockpit will display named waypoints
>> > superimposed over weather data.
>
>
>> Yep, and the GPS data, which is what that is, comes from the same data the
>> navigation charts come from, it doesn't come over the radio.
>>
>> You can see the NAVAID on the GPS display or you can see it on the paper
>> chart, but neither of those will tell you that you have the NAV radio
>> tuned to any particular NAVAID.
>>
>> <snip crap>
>
>
> In sum, it sounds like you are saying that beeps play little or no
> role in navigating an airplane. They are not "needed."

Learn to read what is written instead of what you want to be written.

Yes, you can look up the map position and identifier information on a
paper chart or the electronic equivelant on a glass display.

No, there is no existing way to positively identify the SIGNAL from any NDB
or a VOR/VORTAC that does not voice identify other than listening to the morse
identifier.

No, you do not need to "know morse code" to do that.

Yes, you have to listen the the "beeps".

>> >> You, like a spoiled child, have fixated on the babbling of some other
>> >> troll
>> >> to justify your trolling.
>>
>> <snip remaining childish, babbling, crap>
>
>
> You deleted the most important part

You have written nothing "important".

<snip crap>

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Jim Pennino

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221. Re: Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.amateur.*

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-28 21:24:27 UTC
From: kb9rqz <kb9rqz@puncegotcha.com>
Message-ID: <ikh3qm$90f$2@speranza.aioe.org>
Source record: 4861
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

"Oliver" <O_Epstein@att.net> wrote in message
news:2752a11a-a188-439f-b329-f05ee33347a3@k9g2000yqi.googlegroups.com...
>
> rec.radio.info has more and better information than
> rec.radio.amateur.moderated
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222. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-28 21:35:23 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <21575f12-8029-4096-8de5-bb5586c4e3a0@22g2000prx.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4862

On Feb 28, 8:43 am, 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdg...@gmail.com> wrote:
> ALL HOT PHOTOS SUPER SeXY
PHOTOShttp://alltoux.blogspot.com/2010/09/hot-lip-kiss-135.html

can the spam

223. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-02-28 21:35:57 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <73105dbc-3be1-410b-92ae-7597699c529b@d23g2000prj.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4863

On Feb 28, 10:32 am, SAMARA <jaidatta9...@gmail.com> wrote:

can the spam

224. Re: Future of Morse Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-01 04:40:11 UTC
From: Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz>
Message-ID: <xxx-B074E7.23401128022011@nntp.aioe.org>
Source record: 4864

jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com wrote:
> Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:

> > No, it is directly on topic. The point is that real planes (dinky
> > little ones, that is) that actually exist in the real world don't have
> > glass cockpits. They have crude "steam gauges" and not many of them, at
> > that.

> Nope.
>
> The topic was about what is the state of the art.
>
> Old stuff is obviously not state of the art and irrelevant to a dicsussion
> of the state of the art.

No, the topic was beeps - their uselessness and their obsolescence.
You dragged in airplanes in response to my recounting of the way that
some Morse code zealots pointed to the fact that beeps were "allowed" in
certain "aeronautical beacons" as proof that beeps were still "needed."
You also interpreted "aeronautical beacons" as narrowly as possible so
that you, too, could argue that beeps really were needed. That was
disingenuous.
You then went on the allege that I had no idea what a glass cockpit
was. In light of my subsequent posts, that allegation is obviously
absurd. I pointed out that if you had any integrity, you would have
apologized. That you did not was craven.

[...]
> > You deleted the most important part
>
> You have written nothing "important".
>
> <snip crap>

Here is the deleted material, below. Other readers may judge for
themselves whether it was important.

You deleted the most important part, where I discussed your attitude
and your lack of integrity. Be that as it may, I looked you up in the
FAA database and the FCC and QRZ ham radio databases. There are two
Penninos with pilots' licenses, but neither one is exactly an Airline
Transport Pilot, if you get my drift, captain.
Poseur.

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Klystron

225. Re: Future of Morse Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-01 05:45:18 UTC
From: jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com
Message-ID: <eodu38-7bp.ln1@mail.specsol.com>
Source record: 4865

Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:
> jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com wrote:

>> Nope.
>>
>> The topic was about what is the state of the art.
>>
>> Old stuff is obviously not state of the art and irrelevant to a dicsussion
>> of the state of the art.
>
>
> No, the topic was beeps - their uselessness and their obsolescence.

Yeah, until you drifted off into la-la land talking about non-existant
aircraft systems that auto-identify NAVAIDs due to your confusion and
ignorance of what appears on map displays.

> You dragged in airplanes in response to my recounting of the way that
> some Morse code zealots pointed to the fact that beeps were "allowed" in
> certain "aeronautical beacons" as proof that beeps were still "needed."

Actually there is only two types of "aeronautical beacons" still in existence
today, i.e. NDBs and marker beacons, and identification by morse is required
for NDBs is it is the only identification transmitted.

Marker beacons do identify after a fashion in morse, but given their coverage
and the tone encoding, it isn't really necessary.

> You also interpreted "aeronautical beacons" as narrowly as possible so
> that you, too, could argue that beeps really were needed. That was
> disingenuous.

You haven't a clue what "aeronautical beacons" exist, how they work, or how
to use them.

<snip remaining crap>

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Jim Pennino

Remove .spam.sux to reply.

226. Re: Future of Morse Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-01 06:37:11 UTC
From: Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz>
Message-ID: <xxx-590F3F.01371101032011@nntp.aioe.org>
Source record: 4866

You're determined to ignore the obvious and try to hide behind trivia and minutia. I attacked beeps as useless and their supporters as cultists, You have done nothing to refute either charge. You have repeatedly deleted without comment my charge that you are a minimally qualified poseur, with either a PP or a PS rating, not qualified to tell others that they are "clueless." That you refuse to address that says quite a bit about you.

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Klystron

227. Crossposting Permitted to rec.radio.amateur.moderated

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-01 07:00:02 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting-1-1298962801@panix.com>
Source record: 4867
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting
Revision: 1.1 2009/04/12 19:42:04
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rram/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

After a 30-day public discussion and feedback period to gauge reader
opinions in March of 2009:

http://groups.google.com/group/rec.radio.amateur.moderated/browse_thread/thread/d7d337db35
f23326

the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team has decided to consider
amending its charter, and permit limited simultaneous crossposting to
rec.radio.amateur.moderated and one other unmoderated
amateur-radio-related discussion newsgroup. We are currently trying
this on a temporary basis (90 days, through early July 2009), and adopt
it permanently if successful.

Approved rec.radio.amateur.* newsgroups are those that are currently
listed in the latest version of the "List of Big Eight Newsgroups" which
is crossposted monthly to news.announce.newgroups, news.groups, and
news.lists.misc.

Approved alt.radio.amateur.* and alt.ham-radio.* newsgroups are those
that have been created consistent with the suggestions in "So You Want
to Create an Alt Newsgroup" at:

http://www.faqs.org/faqs/alt-creation-guide/

Approved regional hierarchy newsgroups are those that contain either
"radio.amateur" or "ham-radio" in their names, including
uk.radio.amateur and aus.radio.amateur.misc.

We will make every reasonable effort to keep our list of approved
newsgroups up-to-date. In case we have overlooked any, and a submission
is rejected in error as a result, the rejected submitter can E-mail us
at our administrative contact address (in the signature at the bottom of
this article, and the default Reply-To for the rejection message)
requesting that it be added, and that the article be approved. We may
still choose to reject articles crossposted to any alt.* newsgroup with
an inappropriate name, including obscene language, embedded
name-calling, or encouragement of unlawful conduct.
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Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-amateur-moderated-request@panix.com.

228. Re: Future of Morse Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-01 15:35:44 UTC
From: jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com
Message-ID: <gbgv38-dk.ln1@mail.specsol.com>
Source record: 4868

Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:
> You're determined to ignore the obvious and try to hide behind
> trivia and minutia. I attacked beeps as useless and their supporters as
> cultists,

Kook babble.

"I attacked beeps..." sounds like the ravings of a lunatic.

<remaining kook babble snipped>

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Jim Pennino

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229. [DXNL] DXNL 1717 (Mar 2, 2011)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-01 21:05:24 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <1491198764703.20110301220139@dxhf.darc.de>
Source record: 4869
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

DXNL 1717 - Mar 2, 2011
DX Newsletter

a free and weekly service of
DARC Committee "DX and HF contesting"
(http://www.darcdxhf.de)

editor: Helmut Schlaffer, DL7MAE
(direct: dxnl@dxhf.darc.de)

translation by: Bob, DL7VOA
(direct: dl7voa@darc.de)

CY0 - SABLE ISLAND, NA-063
The well planned and two times postponed DXpedition to Sable (NA-063)
is scheduled to take place from Mar 7-15. Even the team changed since
some of the originally planned operators didn't get a holiday now.
The new team includes Randy,N0TG, Jeff,N1NSB, and Wayne,K8LEE.
They want to run three stations simultaneously in CW, SSB and RTTY on
160m-6m. They will use a "Battle Creek Special" for 40m/80m/160m, three
verticals, at least one wire antenna and a yagi.
All direct and bureau QSL cards should be sent to N0TG.
They ask everybody to use the "ONLINE QSL REQUEST Service" (OQRS) on
their DXpedition website for direct and bureau QSLs (see "How to QSL"):
http://www.CY0dxpedition.com
The CY0 frequency plan is as follows (QRGs in kHz):
CW SSB RTTY
160m 1826 1843 ---
80m 3523 3781 3585
40m 7023 7140 ---
30m 10106 --- 10140
20m 14023 14130 & 14190 14080
17m 18072 18145 18108
15m 21023 21295 21089
12m 24892 24945 ---
10m 28023 28450 28089
6m 50090 50125 ---

HI - DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, NA-096
John,KL7JR, and his XYL Claire,WL7MY, will show up in SSB on 80m-10m
signing HI3/KL7JR from Hispaniola Island (NA-096) from March till May.
The QSL route can be found on QRZ.com.
You can arrange skeds via the e-mail: KL7JR@yahoo.com
Phootos of their antennas can be found on the websites:
http://www.hamuniverse.com/kl7jrhorizminibeams.html and

http://www.hamuniverse.com/kl7jrslopingdelta806.html

HK - COLOMBIA
Cody,HK3/KC2LSD, will stay in Bogota from Mar 4-16. During this time
he will work in RTTY, PSK31, CW and SSB on 40m-10m.
QSL via homecall, also via LoTW.

J6 - ST LUCIA, NA-108
Bob,J6/G3PJT, will be active from the northeast of St. Lucia (NA-108)
from Mar 8-15. He will use a K2 transceiver with verticals and prefers
working on 80m and 30m. He also plans to take part in the upcoming
RSGB Commonwealth Contest. QSLs should be sent via Bob's homecall.

P4 - ARUBA, SA-036
Tim,WD9DZV, will show up as P40D from Mar 8-13. Tim will work in
"holiday style" in several modes on almost all bands. QSL via WD9DZV.

PJ7 - SINT MAARTEN, NA-105
Massimo,I8NHJ, and Pier,W1NA, will be QRV as PJ7DX from the island
of Sint Maarten (NA-105) from Mar 2-7. They will work mostly in CW
and plan to take part in the ARRL DX SSB Contest.
Unfortunately QSLs ONLY direct via I8NHJ.

V2 - ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA, NA-100
Bob,W4OWY, and Mark,W9OP, will be active in CW, SSB and RTTY on 160m-6m
signing V25WY and V25OP from Mar 8-18.
QSLs via bureau, direct, LoTW or eQSL to their homecalls.

V3 - BELIZE
Ken,N2ZN, is going to visit V31MD in Placencia from Mar 2-8. He will
use V31AM in the ARRL DX SSB Contest and plans to work mostly in CW
and digital modes preferably on the WARC bands.
QSLs via bureau, direct or LoTW to N2ZN.

V5 - NAMIBIA
Gert,V5/ZS6AYU, plans to show up from several places in Namibia from
Mar 6-16. He will work "holiday style" in CW only on 30m-15m mostly
during the late afternoon or early morning.
QSL cards should be sent only direct via his homecall.

VP9 - BERMUDA ISLANDS, NA-005
Mark,VP9/AA1AC, will be QRV from Hamilton Parish on Bermuda (NA-005)
from Mar 7-12. More details are not known yet.
QSL cards should be sent via bureau or direct to his homecall.

XF4 - REVILLA GIGEDO ARCHIPELAGO, NA-030
The international team of Mark,XE1B (team lead), Fernando,EA5FX,
Javier,EA5KM, Elmo,EA5BYP, Javi,EC4DX, Vicente,EA5AFP, John,N5NTP, and
Santos,EA4AK, will activate the archipelago Revilla Gigedo (NA-030)
with two or three stations signing 4A4A from Mar 3-20. Their QTH will
be Socorro Island, sunrise around 1320 UTC, sunset around 0100 UTC.
The team works in CW, SSB and digital modes on 160m-10m, using yagis
on the high bands and verticals on the lowbands.

The DXpedition website can be found at http://www.revillagigedo2011.com
The frequency plan of 4A4A (QRGs in kHz) is:
CW SSB RTTY
160m 1824 1850 ---
80m 3514 3790 3582
40m 7014 7065/7165 7038
30m 10114 --- 10140
20m 14014 14195 14082
17m 18084 18140 18102
15m 21014 21295 21082
12m 24904 24940 24922
10m 28014 28475 28082
6m 50104 50140 ---
Their QSL manager is David,EB7DX (see http://www.eb7dx.com).
QSL cards will be confirmed only direct or via LoTW.
Please check also following websites: http://www.youtube.com/user/EA4AK
und for updates: https://twitter.com/EA4AK

XU - CAMBODIA
Nob,JA1FMZ, puts Cambodia on the air signing XU7FMZ from Mar 2-28.
This operation is holiday style in SSB on 20m-10m. He also plans to
join the ARRL DX SSB Contest and the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (Mar 26/27).
QSL via JA1FMZ, direct, eQSL oder LoTW.
See also: http://DXvacation.com

5V - TOGO
Franco,I1FQH, is staying in the village Kpalime in central Togo and
works as 5V7DX on 40-10m until Mar 4. He uses a Spiderbeam on 20m-10m
and a homebrew vertical on 30m/40m plus amplifier.
Franco prefers QSLs via LoTW, but bureau or direct are possible also.
Logs can be found at: http://dx.qsl.net/cgi-bin/logform.cgi?5v7dx
Interested DXers may also like Franco's YouTube Channel on:
http://www.youtube.com/user/i1fqh

7Q - MALAWI
Harry,7Q7HB, is back in Malawi and will stay there for a few months.
Harry is working there, so amateur radio is only his hobby. You can
find him on HF working in CW and digital modes, on request also SSB.
QSL via G0IAS, direct only.

9M6 - EAST MALAYSIA
David,9M6/VO1AU, is now in East Malaysia from Mar 2-15 and announced to
join also the Commonwealth (BERU) and ARRL DX SSB Contest in this time.
David will stay in Southeast Asia and Japan for the next two years and
plans to show up as VO1AU/BY1TTY, VO1AU/BY1RX, VO1AU/BY1DX, JG1RSL and
VR2/VO1AU. The QSL manager for all his activities is Daniel,VO1MX.
He confirms via QSL bureau, direct or LoTW.

ITALY, SPECIAL EVENT STATION
IO4UI can be found on the bands between Mar 1 and Sep 30. They are
celebrating the 150th anniversary of the unification of Italy.
All QSOs will be confirmed via bureau automatically.

If you can't wait and need a direct QSL, please send it to I4JEE.

SILENT KEYS: You may have read or seen it in the news that pirates hijacked
the sailing vessel Quest near the Omani coast on Feb 18. The crew of
four people, all American citizens, was killed. Three of them were
radio amateurs, namely Scott Adam,K9ESO, his XYL Jean,KF6RVB, and
Bob Riggle,KE7IIV. More info can be found on: http://www.arrl.org/news
Other DXers who put their keys away are: Winit Kongprasert (HS1CKC),
radio pioneer in Thailand and vice president of the RAST,
Jean-Jacques Hiblot (F5SHE), founder of the "UK Six Metre Group",
Steve Richardson (G4JCC), Len Hopkinson (ZL3IE) and
Alistair Campbell (ZS5MU), founder of the African Maritime Mobile Net.

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Mar 1: YL CW Party
Mar 5/6: ARRL International DX Contest, SSB
Mar 5/6: Open Ukraine RTTY Championship

IOTA collected by Fredy,DE0MST (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AN-016, various, Antarctica (main): Lars,SM4TUV, is working as 3Y8XSA from
the Troll station on Dronning Maud Land until the end of 2011.
QSL via homecall (bureau/direct).

EU-024, IS0, Sardinia (main): The station II0IDP is working from Sardinia
from Mar 5-20 and can be counted for the Italian Navy Coastal Radio
Stations Award. QSL via IS0IGV (bureau/direct).

EU-041, I*0, Maddalena archipelago: II0ICH is also good for the 5th Italian
Navy Coastal Radio Stations Award and works from La Maddalena Island
from Mar 5-20. QSL via IM0QMA (bureau/direct).

NA-062, W4, FL State Group (Florida Keys): Pete,VE3IKV, will be active from
Key West signing VX3X/W4 from Mar 6-18. QSL via VE3IKV (bureau/direct).

OC-017, T30, Gilbert Islands: Jacek,SP5EAQ, and Jacek,SP5DRH, are working
as T30AQ and T30RH from Bonriki Islet (Tarawa atoll/Kiribati) from
Mar 1-15. QSLs via homecalls (bureau/direct).

OC-201, ZL, North Island's Coastal Islands: From Mar 7-11 John,9M6XRO, will
be QRV as ZL/GD3OOK from Waiheke Island. QSL via M0URX (bureau/direct).

Lighthouse activities (WLOTA/ARLHS/ILLW)

HS0ZJF/8 LH new? Koh Yao Yai Mar 10-22

II0IDP LH 1608 Sardinia Mar 5-20
II0ICH LH 1632 Maddalena Mar 5-20
4A4A LH 2941 Socorro Mar 3-20

Bandspots of the last 7 days

40m
HB10K 7.130 1120Z via EA7FTR
J37BO 7.024 2316Z via K4LTA (B)
J79AN 7.170 0013Z NA-101, via DL7JAN (B)

30m
CN2FB 10.105 0720Z via UA2FB (B)
EB3EPR/p 10.119 1430Z SOTA TA-004
HC2/KF6ZWD 10.103 0712Z see QRZ.com
J37BO 10.112 2049Z via K4LTA (B)
J5NAR/p 10.113 2126Z AF-093, via HA0NAR (B)
K4O 10.106 0057Z (L), (d)
VK6DXI 10.106 1636Z (B)
ZB2FK 10.109 0547Z (d)
5X1NH 10.104 2139Z via G3RWF (B)

20m
AO1AAW 14.015 1700Z via EA1GHT (B)
BD7IS 14.215 1403Z via BA4EG (B)
CE3/LU1FAM 14.220 2250Z via AC7DX (d)
EM15U 14.035 0808Z via UT7UA (B)
F9IE/VK3/p 14.040 0814Z OC-136, via F9IE (B)
FY1FL 14.128 0935Z (d)
HI3WL 14.250 1943Z via DK8OJ (B)
J5NAR/p 14.037 0946Z AF-093, via HA0NAR (B)
J88DR 14.008 1933Z via G3TBK (B)
MN0NID/p 14.285 1200Z EU-115, via MI0SAI
PJ4/CX3AN 14.022 2032Z via CX3AN (d)
PJ6/W6IZT 14.018 1327Z via N7XG (L)
PR2M 14.263 1032Z SA-071, via PY2DEZ
SV0XBZ/9 14.019 1620Z via YL2VW (B), (L), eQSL
V84NBD 14.195 1445Z (d)
VK7ROY 14.170 0812Z (d)
WB2JSM/p 14.342 1922Z SOTA GC-020
9M8Z/p 14.256 0939Z OC-165, via M0URX (B)

17m
SV9/ON6WP 18.090 1230Z EU-015, (L), (d)
VK9C/G6AY 18.074 1206Z OC-003, via G3SWH (B)
8P6DR 18.084 1541Z via G3RWL (B)

15m
A61Q 21.015 0758Z via EA7FTR
C6APG 21.009 1547Z via K4PG (L), (d)
CN8KD 21.020 1607Z via EA5XX (d)
CR2A 21.034 1635Z via OH2BH (B)

CX6VM 21.017 1640Z (d)
HR9/WQ7R 21.030 1313Z via K5WW (B), (L)
JI5RPT/6 21.040 0925Z AS-047, via JI5RPT (B)
UK8LA 21.022 1200Z
VY2ZM 21.001 1414Z (d)

12m
EA8CN 24.896 1638Z (L), (d)
PJ2/W0NB 24.900 1714Z SA-099, via W0NB (B)

10m
CX7CO 28.005 1658Z via WB3CDX (B)
9M2RDX 28.020 0936Z (B), (L)

* = new QSL manager
(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(L) = LoTW
(r) = bureau QSL via e-mail request

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

-Mar 3D2HC 1710
01Mar-07Mar 3W6LI 1716
-Dec 3Y8XSA 1700/1717 *
03Mar-20Mar 4A4A 1717 *
-13Mar 4S7KKG 1706
-25Oct 5B50J 1700
08Feb-08Mar 5H/IK2GZU 1713
-04Mar 5V7DX 1717 *
20Feb-14Apr 5X1NH 1715
-Apr/12 5Z4RH ? 1674

26Feb-07Mar 6V7T 1716
01Feb-31Mar 6W2SC/J5UAP 1712
26Feb-05Mar 8P (KA1YMX) 1716
01Mar-20Mar 9G1AA 1716
-Sep 9J2KK 1682
-Apr 9M2MRS 1697
NOW 9M6/KM9D 1699
02Mar-15Mar 9M6/VO1AU 1717 *
SOON 9Q1EK 1669
-Nov 9Q6CC 1699

-Aug A92IO 1663
-31Dec BP100 1684
-31Dec BV100 1684
-01May CN2PV 1714
-31Dec CW5RV 1711
07Mar-15Mar CY0/N0TG 1717 *

-May D2AK 1675
-17Mar D2AM 1710
-22Apr D2QR 1675
-31Aug DL20Y2DM 1700
20Jan-08Mar EA8/IK1PMR.. 1712
12Feb-11Mar EG8ISS 1715

-Aug FO8RZ 1636
-Jul/12 FR8NE 1710
-Mar FT5YK/p.. 1715
13Jan-12Apr H44MS 1710
-31Dec HB60LU 1711
23Feb-12Mar HC1MD 1715
01Jan-31Dec HG200LST 1708
-30Jun HG2011A 1713
18Feb-05Mar HH4/K4QD.. 1715
Mar -May HI3/KL7JR 1717 *
10Jan-07Mar HK3JCL 1709
04Mar-16Mar HK3/KC2LSD 1717 *

01Jan-31Dec IA7MM 1708
01Jan-31Dec II1ITA.. 1708
05Mar-20Mar II0IDP 1717 *
05Mar-20Mar II0ICH 1717 *
01Mar-30Sep IO4UI 1717 *
01Jan-31Mar IO7DAI 1708
-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul/12 J28RO 1683
09Feb-10Mar J37BO & J37RO 1714
09Feb-10Mar J37RF 1714
08Mar-15Mar J6/G3PJT 1717 *
21Feb-28Mar J73CCM.. 1715
23Feb-06Mar J79AN 1716
16Feb-14Mar J88DR 1715

22Feb-08Mar KG4AS.. 1716
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
POSTPONED KH5 1674/1705
-31Dec LA200D 1713
-31Mar LM11SKI 1713
NOW LU1ZA (S.O.) 1695
-Mar OA/OE3NHW 1701
-Sep P29CW 1713
08Mar-13Mar P40D 1717 *
01Jan-31Dec PA30.. 1708
-Mar PJ2/DF7DQ 1712
27Jan-03Mar PJ6/G4IUF 1712
02Mar-07Mar PJ7DX 1717 *
21Feb-19Mar PJ7/W8EB.. 1716
-Dec RI1ANC 1708

24Feb-15Mar SV9/DJ7RJ 1716
01Mar-17Mar T30AQ & T30RH 1716
2010 -May T6JC & T6TL 1695
15Feb-17Mar TG7/N6ND 1715
-Mar V21ZG 1716
09Feb-01Mar V31TF 1714
-Mar V21ZG 1716
08Mar-18Mar V25WY & V25OP 1717 *
02Mar-08Mar V31AM 1717 *
16Feb-30Mar V47JA.. 1715
22Feb-23Mar V5/DJ4SO 1715
06Mar-16Mar V5/ZS6AYU 1717 *
02Mar V85/GD3OOK.. 1715
22Feb-05Mar VK9C/G6AY 1715
2010 -Mar/12 VK0KEV (Macq) 1700/1701
01Mar-08Mar VP2M (WA1ZAM) 1716
07Mar-12Mar VP9/AA1AC 1717 *
06Mar-18Mar VX3X/W4 1717 *
26Jan-02Mar VY0JA 1712

-03Mar WA2USA/4 1714
NOW XT2RJA 1712
23Feb-08Mar XU7AFU 1711
02Mar-28Mar XU7FMZ 1717 *
08Mar-15Mar XU7SSB 1716
-Sep ZD9GI 1691
-31Dec ZL50GH 1711
01Jan-31Mar ZL50VK 1708
07Mar-11Mar ZL/GD3OOK 1717 *
-11Apr ZS8M 1674/1711

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

AO1AAW via EA1GHT (B)
BY3CQ via BA3AO
C56EME via PA3CEE
CN2BG via F8ALU
CO2GL via EB7DX (d)
DL60HSC via DK7VW (B)
EA8/LA5YI via LA5YI
ED1L via EA1EJ (d)
EE7HMC via EA7HMC (B)
EG1WAP via EA1GIB (B), (L)
EG5JRT via EA5URD (B)
EG7DCA via EA7URS (B)
EH7MDA via EA7URM
FM/DL1CW via DL1CW (B)
FM1HN via NI5DX (B)
G3V via G3VER (B), eQSL

GB0ACD via MW0RKB (B), eQSL
GB0GGR via MM1AWV (B)
GB0NFA via M0ACL
GB1CWG via G8AKL eQSL
GB1RGG via G1NRF
GB1GG via G4SSH (B)
GB2GTD via M0PKH
GB2LVD via G3UCA
GB2NCL via G4LIA
GB2OG via G0RJX
GB2RSC via G0THF
GB2RSC via G0THF
GB2SBG via GM0EKM
GB2SDG via 2E1EMS
GB2WNG via G4AJA (B)
GB5AG via GM7OKX or MM0BQP
GB5AGB via G0GGX (B)
GB6BGG via G6PAA (B), eQSL
HB10K via EA7FTR, eQSL
HG0A via HA5JI (B)
HG3A via HA bureau
HG7T via HA7TM (B)
HI8FLB/HH via OK1DOT (d), (L)
HI8FLB via OK1DOT (d), (L)
HK3ARR via YV5ARR (B)
HQ2W via OK1DOT (d), (L)
HQ5A via KA2AEV (B), (L)
HR2DMR via OK1DOT (d), (L)
II0AAW via IK0TRV (B), (L)
II2MM via IK2AQZ (B)
II3ANT via IZ3DBA (B)
II3MNA via IQ3TS (B)
II5ANT via IZ5BTC (B)
II7ITA via IQ7DV (B)
II8AAW via I8QJU (B), (L)
IO5ANT via IW5EFX (B), (L)
IP8AAW via IK2FIQ (B)
IR0AW via IZ0PSA (B)
IR2IR via IK2YVA
IU1ANT via IZ1POO (B), (L), eQSL
J79AN via DL7JAN (B)
J79XBI via SM0XBI (B)
K0ANT via KB0MZF
K4K via K4MZU
KG4AS via N4SIA
KG4WV via W4WV (B)
SX3B (L), eQSL, (B, after Jan 1, 2012)
SY2V via SV2GJV (d), eQSL
TF3CW via LX1NO (d)
TG9IGI via I2MQP (B)

TI5A via TI5KD
TI5KMK (d)
XR2Q via CA3OEV (B)
ZY7F via PS7AA (B)
3G1F via EA5KB (B)
5H3MB via IK2GZU (B)
5H6CC via IN3ATM (B)
5N0AWI via OK1DOT (d), (L)
5N50G via OK1DOT (d), (L)
5N50MBA via OK1DOT (d), (L)
5N50NIG via OK1DOT (d), (L)
8P3A via VE3DZ (B)
9H3SM via OE6MBG
9M6XRO/8 via M0URX (B)

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(*) = new QSL manager
(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) = e-mail request

QSLs arrived direct: PJ4D & PJ4W (via W3HNK), PJ5/SP6EQZ, RI1FJ (UA2FM),
XU7KOH (ON7PP), ZL8X (DJ2MX), ZL8X (GDXF QSL service)

QSLs arrived bureau: A6/DL3YM, A61BK (NI5DX), A61Q/p (ON5NT), AP2TN (DJ9ZB),
DL4JS/6W, FM/F2VX (F6EXV), HI9/EA3BT, HS0ZBS,
KH2/KT3Q & KH0/KT3Q (DL3OCH), PY2XB/PY0F (PT7WA),
SU1KM (DK7YY), TO3R (RW3RN), TR50R (F6AJA),
TS7C (F4EGD), V47KP (K2SB), VK4LDX/p, VP2V/DL7VOG,
VR2XLN, VU7NRO (VU2UWZ), XU7KOH (ON7PP),XV3RRC (RZ3EC),
YI9PT (N4XP), Z21SI (JA1PBV), 4K9W (DL6KVA),
5I3A (UA3DJY), 9J2FM (JA4ATV), 9K2AI/NLD (NI5DX),
9U2T (ON4LN), 9Y/DL2DBE

Many thanks for contributing to this issue of the DXNL are going to:
Carl Smith (QRZ DX), 425DXNews, OPDX Bulletin, DF6EX (WIN-QSL), DJ5AV,
DK1AX, DK8JB, DL1MDV, DL1SBF, DL2BQV, DL3IE, DL7VOA, EA4AK, NG3K,
F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX and others.

The German PDF version can be found on the DARC homepage at:
http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxmb/2011

Subscribe or unsubscribe to the DXNL mailing list yourself at:
http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxnl

230. Re: Future of Morse Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-02 02:15:47 UTC
From: Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz>
Message-ID: <xxx-59A9CC.21154601032011@nntp.aioe.org>
Source record: 4870

jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com wrote:
> Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:

> > You're determined to ignore the obvious and try to hide behind
> > trivia and minutia. I attacked beeps as useless and their supporters as
> > cultists,
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> Kook babble.
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> "I attacked beeps..." sounds like the ravings of a lunatic.

Is that the extent of your rebuttal - word usage? If I had said that
I denigrated beeps, derided beeps, trivialized beeps or villified beeps
would you have been forced to respond the the more substantive parts of
my post?

> <remaining kook babble snipped>

I assume that the "kook babble" is the part where I pointed out that
you are a barely qualifed wannabe who is posing as an expert. Once
again, it is reposed, below.

You deleted the most important part, where I discussed your attitude
and your lack of integrity. Be that as it may, I looked you up in the
FAA database and the FCC and QRZ ham radio databases. There are two
Penninos with pilots licenses, but neither one is exactly an Airline
Transport Pilot, if you get my drift, captain.
Poseur.

AND

You have done nothing to refute either charge. You have repeatedly
deleted without comment my charge that you are a minimally qualified
poseur, with either a PP or a PS rating, not qualified to tell others
that they are "clueless." That you refuse to address that says quite a
bit about you.

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Klystron

231. Re: Future of Morse Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-02 02:38:37 UTC
From: Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz>
Message-ID: <xxx-19284A.21383701032011@nntp.aioe.org>
Source record: 4871

CORRECTION: spelling only

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bit about you.

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Klystron

232. Re: Future of Morse Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-02 03:47:31 UTC
From: jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com
Message-ID: <j7r048-8i6.ln1@mail.specsol.com>
Source record: 4872

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Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:
> jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com wrote:
>> Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:
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You would sound even more like a raving lunatic.

<snip raving babble>

--
Jim Pennino

Remove .spam.sux to reply.
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233. Re: Future of Morse Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-02 04:32:21 UTC
From: Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz>
Message-ID: <xxx-1648EA.23322101032011@nntp.aioe.org>
Source record: 4873

jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com wrote:
> Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:

> > Is that the extent of your rebuttal - word usage? If I had said that
> > I denigrated beeps, derided beeps, trivialized beeps or vilified beeps

> You would sound even more like a raving lunatic.

Haw! Haw! Haw! (and the sound of knee slapping)

> <snip raving babble>

So tell us, Jim Jim, which Pennino are you? Are you the one in New Jersey who has a student pilot's license; a glorified learners' permit? Are you the one in California who has a private pilot's license with a rating of "airplane single engine land?" Can you rent a plane at the podunk county airport with a license like that? I'll bet you're one of those private pilots who wears a uniform (with epaulets) when flying.

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Klystron

234. Re: Future of Morse Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-02 05:49:25 UTC
From: jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com
Message-ID: <5c2148-6b7.ln1@mail.specsol.com>
Source record: 4874

Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:
> jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com wrote:
>> Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:
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> Haw! Haw! Haw! (and the sound of knee slapping)

Yep, lunatics are often laughing for no reason when they aren't ranting
about things that don't exist other than from the voices in their head.

<snip lunatic babble>

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Jim Pennino

Remove .spam.sux to reply.

235. Re: Future of Morse Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-02 07:55:05 UTC
From: Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz>
Message-ID: <xxx-965E94.02550502032011@nntp.aioe.org>
Source record: 4875

jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com wrote:
> Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:

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> Yep, lunatics are often laughing for no reason when they aren't ranting
> about things that don't exist other than from the voices in their head.
>
> <snip lunatic babble>

You seem to have abandoned all ties with rationality. You no longer
even attempt to respond to what is posted. At this point, I am not going
to waste any more time on you. Just to review, I have shown you to be an
underqualified poseur who is completely without integrity. You have been
proven wrong in your allegation that I didn't know what a glass cockpit
was, but you were too cowardly and craven to retract your insults.
Of course, when you deride, denigrate, trivialize, vilify or
otherwise attack beeps, this is the element that comes running to their
defense. If this is all that's left, then you must face the facts; it's
over for beeps.

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Klystron

236. The ARRL Contest Update for March 2, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-02 10:56:02 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20110302102359.305F220954@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 4876
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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The ARRL Contest Update

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March 2, 2011

Editor: Ward Silver, N0AX <rate-sheet@arrl.org>

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NEW HF OPERATORS - THINGS TO DO

After cracking your CW knuckles in the ARRL DX CW contest, this
weekend's ARRL DX Phone contest will test tongue-tied transmissions.
It's geomagnetically stormy upstairs as this issue goes to press, but
persevere - if you hang in there and the competition doesn't...you may
prevail!

BULLETINS

No bulletins in this issue - although you should all take time out to
write your Congressional representative about House Bill HR 607
<http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-asks-members-to-write-in-opposition-to-hr-607>.

BUSTED QSOS

I was informed that "Leavin' On A Jet Plane" was originally by John
Denver and Dr Beldar has been gently disabused of his misattribution to
Peter, Paul, and Mary.

CONTEST SUMMARY

Complete information for all contests follows the Conversation section

Mar 5-6
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- SNS and NS Weekly Sprints--CW (Mar 4)
- ARRL Int'l Phone DX Contest
- Open Ukraine RTTY Championship
- ARS Spartan Sprint--CW (Mar 8)
- CWops Monthly Mini-CWT Test (Mar 9)
- John Rollins Memorial DX Contest--CW (Mar 9)

Mar 12-13

- Worldwide EME Contest
- RSGB Commonwealth Contest--CW
- AGCW QRP Contest--CW
- QRP ARCI HF Grid Square Sprint--CW
- EA PSK31 Contest
- Idaho QSO Party
- North American RTTY Sprint
- Wisconsin QSO Party
- CLARA and Family HF Contest (Mar 15)

==> NEWS, PRESS RELEASES, AND GENERAL INTEREST

The Contest Update would like to congratulate all winners of the 2011 Dayton Hamvention <http://hamvention.com/> awards. The Amateur of the Year is Shirley Roberts, N8LX of Dayton, OH for her record of public service. The Albemarle Amateur Radio Club, WA4TFZ, of Charlottesville, Virginia was named Club of The Year for exemplary contributions in public service, emergency communications and youth recruiting. The Technical Excellence Award went to a familiar name, Roy Lewellan, W7EL and more about Roy is written in the Conversation section of this issue.

WRTC 2014, Inc. <http://www.wrtc2014.org/>, host of the 2014 World Radiosport Team Championship competition, is pleased to announce that it has received a significant financial contribution from the Northern California DX Foundation <http://www.ncdxf.org/> (NCDXF). "We appreciate this early show of support from NCDXF," said Doug Grant, K1DG, Chairman of WRTC-2014. "We intend to follow the example set in previous WRTC competitions to provide a high level of competition on an unbiased playing field. In addition, we intend to use the event to promote amateur radio competition to a wider audience inside and outside the hobby." To provide assistance with WRTC-2014 fund raising efforts, the Northern California DX Foundation has established a special account to receive tax-deductible donations of $100 or more from individuals. Donations to this account should be made by checks payable to NCDXF, but with the notation "WRTC-2014," and mailed to the WRTC-2014 Fund, NCDXF, Rusty Epps W6OAT, 651 Handley Trail, Emerald Hills, CA 94062 USA. For information on sponsorship, or for general information about WRTC-2014, contact WRTC Chairman, Doug Grant, K1DG, via e-mail at k1dg@wrtc2014.org. This is a good opportunity to help the next WRTC get off to a fast start!

The North Coast Contesters are proud to announce that Scott Redd, K0DQ <http://www.arrl.org/news/scott-redd-k0dq-the-biggest-gun-of-all> will

be the featured speaker during the 19th Annual Dayton Contest Dinner <http://contestdinner.com/> on Saturday, May 21, 2011 at the Crowne Plaza in downtown Dayton, Ohio. K0DQ was the operator behind the impressive WW1WW <http://lists.contesting.com/pipermail/3830/2011-February/218464.html> all-band effort last weekend in the ARRL International DX CW contest and is an engaging speaker.

Tony WA8RJF invites all Weak Signal VHF, UHF and Microwave enthusiasts to the 16th VHF Weak Signal Group <http://www.qsl.net/kb8vao/DAYTON%20HAMVENTION%202011.htm> banquet (no, you won't have to whisper) to be held on Friday evening, May 20th, 2011 at the Doubletree Dayton Downtown Hotel, 11 South Ludlow St. Dinner begins at 7:15 PM, followed by Dana Whitlow, K8YUM presenting "Noise at Arecibo - It's Not Just the Coqui". Reservations are required at a cost per person of $35.00 which includes valet parking. Send a check and an SASE to: Tony Emanuele WA8RJF <WA8RJF@ARRL.net>, 7156 Kory Court, Concord Township, Ohio 44077-2221, including the names and calls of all attendees as well as an email address.

Geoff W0CG/PJ2DX reports that PJ2T's log for the recent ARRL DX CW contest is the first to have broken the 10 million-point barrier in that contest with a claimed score <http://www.pj2t.org/ccc/arrl.cw.2011.htm> of 10.8 megapoints from 10,345 QSOs. Will the record still stand after the log checking process? Tune in later this year for the final results!

Don W7WLL, the "K" sorter for the W7 QSL Bureau, cautions us that there are maximum weight, maximum size, and other surcharges for certain conditions when calculating postage. If your package or envelope is anything out of the ordinary, read the fine print when using the USPS postage calculator <http://postcalc.usps.gov/>.

The 160 meter band was full of signals from end to end last weekend during the CQ 160 Meter WW SSB contest. Numerous correspondence noted that this was the first time for such complete occupancy of Top Band - all the way to 1.999 MHz! Yet not all hams have full access to the band. Henk PA5KT's online table of 160 meter allocations <http://wiki.contesting.com/index.php/160m_frequency_allocations> helps you find where the DX may transmit - the rest is up to you!

The May 1953 QST article by W3FQB, "The Man Who Broke the Bank" certainly seems prescient in its anticipation of station automation. ARRL members can find the article online <http://www.arrl.org/qst> for some amusing reading. (Thanks, Tim K3LR)

Web Site of the Week - Not a Top Band array, Europe's continent-wide Low Frequency Radio Array (LOFAR) <http://www.astro.rug.nl/%7ELofarEoR/> radio telescope combines some simple antennas with distributed computer processing to create a huge telescope tuning 115 to 190 MHz. The first radio "pictures" are just being delivered - is anybody out there during the VHF+ contests?

WORD TO THE WISE

Jim K1TN contributes another pair of QST <http://www.arrl.org/qst>articles <http://www.arrl.org/qst> predicting technology the modern radiosport participant will find familiar: "The Mind of the Contester," (July 1990) and "Packet With a Purpose," (August 1990).

==> SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

The Potomac Valley Radio Club (PVRC) <http://www.pvrc.org/> has two excellent contesting webinars lined up for March. On Wednesday, March 9 at 9 PM EST, World Radio Online propagation editor, Carl Luetzelschwab K9LA will discuss several topics pertaining to HF propagation. And on Sunday, March 13 at 2 PM EDT (note the time change to DST) CQ WPX Contest Director, Randy Thompson K5ZD will hand out some tips for fun and success in WPX. Registration links for both presentations are posted on the PVRC website. In addition, the K3LR webinar on Contest University is also online in the Recorded Webinars. (Thanks, Ken K4ZW)

Rick NQ4I has posted a video about NQ4I CQWW SSB <http://www.nq4i.com/>, shot, edited and published by Lu, W4LT.

Celebrate the 100th birthday of "Uncle" Leo Meyerson, W0GFQ <http://www.amfone.net/Tech/wrl/>, one of ham radio's legends, as he is interviewed by NBC's Willard Scott on "The Today Show" on Wednesday morning, March 9th. A mentor to many, Leo was the man behind the World Radio Lab "Globe" and "Galaxy" equipment used by so many in the 1950's, 1960's and beyond. (Thanks, Gene W4IMT)

You can do what off the Moon? The AMSAT <http://amsat.org/> bulletin ANS-051 notes that a video <http://tinyurl.com/6kmr7nf> of Earth-Moon-Earth (EME) station HB9MOON demonstrating moon-bounce as part of the Google Science fair experiment, "How do you measure the distance between Earth and the Moon?"

How did the world's first transistor work? Here's an interesting video <http://www.dump.com/2010/12/10/how-the-first-transistor-worked-video/> on the subject. (Thanks, Brian VE5RDV)

Is the word "ruins" a verb or a noun in the video title, "Marconi ruins surface in Wellfleet <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=do47EfKtDSM&feature=player_embedded>"? Watch and find out! (Thanks, Guy N7UN)

I like novel visualizations of data sets (I need a hobby, apparently) such as this animation of Twitter network retweets <http://gephi.org/2011/the-egyptian-revolution-on-twitter/> at the time of Egyptian president Mubarak's resignation. What would a big contest look like if presented this way?

Rich NU6T found visualizing 1 watt per square meter to be difficult, but recommends this photo <http://www.ecd.bnl.gov/steve/watt.html> as a good training aid.

==> RESULTS AND RECORDS

The IARU HF Championship writeup <http://www.arrl.org/contest-results-articles> by Carl K9LA is now online in extended form including extra material from the W1AW/8 hosts and operators. Hustling to get the Sweepstakes results out, the hard-working results authors Kelly VE4XT and Steve N2IC have provided preliminary results <http://www.arrl.org/contest-results-articles> for both modes of the November 2010 SS. The full QST and extended online article packages will be published in the weeks ahead. (Thanks, ARRL Contest Branch Manager, Sean KX9X)

Preliminary results for the February CW Sprint <http://www.ncjweb.com/sprintcwprelim.php> are now posted online. Who is the operator that achieved the coveted "Hat Trick"? (Thanks, CW Sprint Manager, Tree N6TR)

A summary of the RAC Canada Winter Contest logs received <http://www.rac.ca/en/rac/programmes/contests/> and entry category for each has been posted. results from previous years are also online for your enjoyment. Please contact contest chairman, Sam VE5SF <Canadawinter@rac.ca> if you have questions, concerns, or feel there have been errors in the category assigned to your contest entry.

There are more than 500 kbytes of soapbox commentary <http://www.eskimo.com/%7Emwdink/3830/> for the ARRL DX CW contest as captured from 3830 claimed-score postings by Dink, N7WA.

OPERATING TIP

Rick "The Locust" K6VVA was operating from KP2CW in the ARRL CW DX contest - by remote control, no less - and noted not just the usual packet-pileups, but "everyone was exactly ZERO BEAT (or within a few Hz) apparently as a result of point-and-click with no single station loud enough to rise above the pack." Needless to say, this makes high-rate operation well-nigh impossible. The technology of cycle-resolution frequency control and accuracy has unintended consequences! The solution? When selecting spots point-and-shoot style, take your hand off the mouse and wiggle the big knob in the middle of your radio before launching your call sign.

==> TECHNICAL TOPICS AND INFORMATION

Wouldn't it be great to go back after a contest and generate a report of your signal strength compared to other stations in your area? For CW contests, that capability exists today by using the Reverse Beacon Net's Analysis <http://reversebeacon.net/analysis> tool. Pete N4ZR explains, "It is graphical and only handles one skimmer and one 24-hour day at a time, but up to 10 stations can be compared at once. It's pretty informative, particularly because the graphical representation and your eye can filter out the odd variations and easily see trends, like who opens the band first, and who is stronger in which part of the opening." Game on!

Larry N7DF has found a website
<http://www.karlovsky.info/sid/temphtml.htm> with some interesting
information to help us figure out what goes on in Top Band propagation
if VLF conditions relate to MF conditions.

Regarding the use of Morse code for communication with folks with
compromised speech or textual abilities, Frank KR1ZAN notes that Thomas
King has a book on the subject titled, "Modern Morse Code in
Rehabilitation and Education: New Applications in Assistive
Technology".
<http://search.barnesandnoble.com/Modern-Morse-Code-in-Rehabilitation-and-Education/Thomas
-Wayne-King/e/9780205287512>

If you know a puzzle fan, then maybe this Design News "Gadget Freak
<http://www.designnews.com/article/512795-Gadget_Freak_Case_181_Switches_and_Hits_for_Nath
an.php>"
case will spark your creative juices in creating a custom conundrum
just for them!

Technical Web Site of the Week - Multi-multi station owners, rejoice!
>From Slashdot <http://slashdot.org/> comes the news that "Scientists at
Stanford University have built a radio that can transmit and receive at
the same time
<http://www.pcpro.co.uk/news/365275/two-way-radio-breakthrough-doubles-wi-fi-performance>
on the same frequency." I wonder if those scientists ever operate at
W6YX? Don't get too excited - it's only for WiFi - but can 20 meters be
far behind?

==> CONVERSATION

An EZ Choice

In case you hadn't heard the news, the Dayton Hamvention's Technical
Excellence Award for 2011 has been given to Roy Lewellan, W7EL, author
of the EZNEC <http://www.eznec.com/> antenna modeling program. It's
entirely appropriate that Roy was recognized for making
professional-quality antenna modeling software available and affordable
to hams!

While there are other fine antenna modeling programs available,
EZNEC has become the standard tool used by amateurs world-wide for
antenna design and experimentation. Its modest cost, accurate results,
and ease of use have completely changed the game of amateur antenna
design. In the scope of its effects on and benefits delivered to
amateurs, it has been Promethean. It is to Amateur Radio what SPICE is
to analog electronics and the forward pass to football.

After Roy's mid-1990's introduction of ELNEC (the MS-DOS precursor to
EZNEC), the world changed. An amateur (i.e. - me, for instance) could
suddenly create, enter, simulate, evaluate, and revise an antenna
design on a personal computer in a continuous flow of development. The
results were actually representative of the actual antenna's
performance, the effects of ground could be included, and the output
was graphic - not tabular. ELNEC gave way to EZNEC and we were on our

way.

Those of us that have been around a while remember the old "cut and try" (and try, and try, and try...) era of antenna design and construction before computer modeling. If we were fortunate enough to know a professional antenna designer, we might get a few "runs" on their software but there was no such thing as "interactive design". Graphic output of radiation patterns and SWR curves were a fantasy. Mostly, we had to take on faith the tables in handbooks and articles in magazines, cut and drill, then hope the resulting antennas would work for us while having little understanding of the subtleties involved in what makes an antenna work - or not.

If there was ever an instance that warranted the over-used phrase "paradigm shift", this was surely one. As a result, amateur experimentation in antenna design exploded, leading to many innovations such as new configurations of parasitic arrays, whole new classes of receiving antennas, antenna stacking design, and others too numerous to count. It is now expected that any new antenna design comes with a model - almost always an EZNEC model.

While as Larry W7IUV once said, "I don't think anyone has made an EZNEC-to-EZNEC QSO yet," somewhere an amateur is using EZNEC software right now to invent or improve or learn about an antenna in a way that was simply unimaginable before. Then they certainly will make that QSO and many more. A tip of the Contest Update cap to Roy Lewellan, W7EL.

73, Ward N0AX

==> CONTESTS

Mar 2 - Mar 16

An expanded, downloadable version of QST's Contest Corral in PDF format <http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar> is available. Check the sponsor's Web site for information on operating time restrictions and other instructions.

HF CONTESTS

ARRL Int'l Phone DX Contest--Phone, from Mar 5, 0000Z to Mar 6, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RS and state, province, or power. Logs due: Apr 4. Rules <http://www.arrl.org/contests>

SNS and NS Weekly Sprints--CW, from Mar 4, 0200Z to Mar 4, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-14. Frequencies: Weekly on Thursday evenings local time. Exchange: Serial, name, and S/P/C. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.ncccsprint.com/rules.html>

Open Ukraine RTTY Championship--Digital, from Mar 5, 2000Z to Mar 5, 2359Z and Mar 6, 0800Z to Mar 6, 1159Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Frequencies: Multiple operating periods. Exchange: Regional abbreviation and serial. Logs due: Apr 4. Rules <http://uarl.com.ua/openrtty>

ARS Spartan Sprint--CW, from Mar 8, 0200Z to Mar 8, 0400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Frequencies: Monthly on the first Monday evening local time. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, and power. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.arsqrp.blogspot.com/>

CWops Monthly Mini-CWT Test--CW, from Mar 9, 1100Z to see Web site. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Frequencies: Multiple operating periods, monthly on the second Wednesday, 18 to 28 kHz above band edge. Exchange: Name and member number or S/P/C. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.cwops.org/onair.html>

John Rollins Memorial DX Contest --CW, from Mar 9, 2300Z to Mar 10, 2300Z and Mar 12, 2300Z to Mar 13, 2300Z. Bands (MHz): 7,14. Frequencies: Multiple operating periods. Exchange: RS, name, and S/P/C. Logs due: 4 weeks. Rules <http://www.antiquewireless.org/>

RSGB Commonwealth Contest--CW, from Mar 12, 1000Z to Mar 13, 1000Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST and serial (Commonwealth only). Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/calendar10.shtml>

AGCW QRP Contest--CW, from Mar 12, 1400Z to Mar 12, 2000Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST, serial, class, AGCW number or NM. Logs due: Mar 31. Rules <http://www.agcw.org/en/?Contests:Semi_Automatic_Key_evening>

QRP ARCI HF Grid Square Sprint--CW, from Mar 12, 1500Z to Mar 12, 1800Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Frequencies: QRP calling frequencies. Exchange: RST, 4-digit grid square, QRP ARCI number. Logs due: Apr 12. Rules <http://www.qrparci.org/>

EA PSK31 Contest--Digital, from Mar 12, 1600Z to Mar 13, 1600Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST + serial or EA province. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.ure.es/>

Idaho QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Mar 12, 1900Z to Mar 13, 1900Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50-440, Frequencies: CW 35 kHz above band edge; Phone 7.260, 14.260, 21.335, 28.470 MHz, plus 50, 144, 440 . Exchange: RS(T) and S/P/C. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.nx7tt.com/>

North American RTTY Sprint--Digital, from Mar 13, 0000Z to Mar 13, 0400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Exchange: Both call signs, serial, name, and S/P/C. Logs due: 7 days. Rules <http://www.ncjweb.com/naqprules.php>

Wisconsin QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Mar 13, 1800Z to Mar 14, 0100Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28, 50+, Frequencies: CW 3.550, 7.050, 14.050; Phone 3.890, 7.230, 14.290, 21.350, 28.400. Exchange: WI county or S/P/C. Logs due: Apr 20. Rules <http://www.warac.org/>

CLARA and Family HF Contest --Phone,CW, from Mar 15, 1700Z to Mar 16, 1700Z and Mar 19, 1700Z to Mar 20, 1700Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Frequencies: Multiple operating periods. Exchange: RS(T), name, QTH, and CLARA . Logs due: Apr 15. Rules <http://www.claranet.ca/>

VHF+ CONTESTS

Worldwide EME Contest--Phone,CW, from Mar 12 , 0000Z to Mar 13, 2400Z.
Bands (MHz): 144, 10G+. Exchange: TMO/RS(T) and "R". Logs due: Jun 25.
Rules <http://www.dubus.org/>

Idaho QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Mar 12, 1900Z to Mar 13, 1900Z.
Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50-440, Frequencies: CW 35 kHz above band edge;
Phone 7.260, 14.260, 21.335, 28.470 MHz, plus 50, 144, 440 . Exchange:
RS(T) and S/P/C. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.nx7tt.com/>

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0100Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28, 50+, Frequencies: CW 3.550, 7.050, 14.050;
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S/P/C. Logs due: Apr 20. Rules <http://www.warac.org/>

==> LOG DUE DATES

Mar 2 - Mar 16

March 3 - RSGB 80m Club Championship, CW
<http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2011/r80mcc.shtml>

March 4 - PODXS 070 Club Valentine Sprint
<http://www.podxs070.com/valentine-sprint>

March 6 - EPC WW DX Contest
<http://www.epcwwdx.srars.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=44:epc-ww-dx-co
ntest-rules-2010&catid=34:contest-rules&Itemid=59>

March 6 - Mexico RTTY International Contest
<http://www.fmre.org.mx/concursos/2011/rtty/rules-rtty-2011-eng.pdf>

March 6 - Russian PSK WW Contest
<http://www.epc-ru.ru/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=562&Itemid=192>

March 6 - Vermont QSO Party
<http://vtqsoparty.westriverradio.org/VTQSORules.htm>

March 7 - FYBO Winter QRP Sprint
<http://www.azscqrpions.com/fybo2009rules.html>

March 8 - Black Sea Cup International <http://bscc.ucoz.ru/index/0-21>

March 8 - Delaware QSO Party <http://www.fsarc.org/DEQSO.html>

March 12 - North American QSO Party, RTTY
<http://www.ncjweb.com/naqprules.php>

March 13 - UBA DX Contest, CW
<http://www.uba.be/sites/default/files/uploads/hf_contests/ubatest_dx.pdf>

March 13 - KCJ Topband Contest
<http://www.kcj-cw.com/contest/11_toptest_rules_e.pdf>

March 14 - FISTS Winter Sprint <http://www.fists.org/sprints.html>

March 14 - YLRL YL-OM Contest <http://www.ylrl.org/ylcontests.html>

March 15 - AGCW Semi-Automatic Key Evening
<http://www.agcw.org/en/?Contests:Semi_Automatic_Key_evening>

March 15 - Dutch PACC Contest <http://pacc.veron.nl/>

March 15 - Louisiana QSO Party
<http://www.qsl.net/kd5wdy/LAQSO_/LAQSO_Rules/laqso_rules.html>

March 15 - Minnesota QSO Party <http://www.w0aa.org/mnqp_rules.htm>

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237. Re: Future of Morse Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-02 15:14:15 UTC
From: jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com
Message-ID: <7f3248-r5b.ln1@mail.specsol.com>
Source record: 4877

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Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:
> jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com wrote:
>> Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:
>
>> >> > Is that the extent of your rebuttal - word usage? If I had said that
>> >> > I denigrated beeps, derided beeps, trivialized beeps or vilified beeps
>
>
>> >> You would sound even more like a raving lunatic.
>
>
>> > Haw! Haw! Haw! (and the sound of knee slapping)
>
>
>> Yep, lunatics are often laughing for no reason when they aren't ranting
>> about things that don't exist other than from the voices in their head.
>>
>> <snip lunatic babble>
>
>
> You seem to have abandoned all ties with rationality.

All ties with rationality were lost with your first ranting post.

<snip babbling crap>

--
Jim Pennino

Remove .spam.sux to reply.
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238. HOT VIDEOS SUB SEXY PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-03 08:43:31 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <258e1251-3316-4c5e-8c60-4a856839bafd@d23g2000prj.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4878

ALL HOT PHOTOS SUPER SeXY PHOTOS
http://alltoux.blogspot.com/2010/09/hot-lip-kiss-135.html

HOT VIDEOS

http://hotvideotoou.blogspot.com/2011/01/kiss-videos.html

hot lip kiss
http://hotvidos.blogspot.com/2010/07/hot-lip-kiss.html
hot kisses
http://hotvidos.blogspot.com/2010/07/hot-kisses.html
hollywood hot videos
http://hotvidos.blogspot.com/2010/07/hollywood-hot-videos.html
real hot videos
http://hotvidos.blogspot.com/2010/07/real-hot-videos.html
tamil hot videos
http://hotvidos.blogspot.com/2010/07/tamil-hot-videos.html

239. MMMonVHF Newsletter 2011-03-03

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-03 10:28:15 UTC
From: MMMonVHF News Mailer <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <201103031011.p23AB4Qp009487@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 4879
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our lastet NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2011-03-03
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter, once a week (thursday)
from now on - if any special activities will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further detail please be so kind and watch our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you vy welcome for any
input and we do hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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** IARU R1 March VHF Contest 2011 , 5-6th March **

As well as in past years, Matej, OK1TEH, did setup a list of
stations participating at the IARU R1 March VHF Contest 2011,
5-6th March. For details please do refer the following Page:
http://www.darkside.cz/qrv.php
SOURCE: Matej, OK1TEH at OK2KKW webpage

** Latest AU Opening Updated: 01. Mar 2011 at 20:17 UTC **

First aurorasignals were reported around 14.00. The aurora was
triggered by a C-class flare that followed a M1.1 flare on monday
In order to produce an intersection map of the position of the
Aurora cloud(s), we need reports from both stations who have been
involved in a QSO, including an accurate beam heading. Please use
LOGIN (http://www.mmmonvhf.de/au.php), and file your list of
QSOs by clicking: "Send your report" and follow the guidelines.
SOURCE: Peter, PA3BIY, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

** NEW MoonNet-Reflector / Mailinglist **

One week ago the traditional Moon-net crash and put offline all
the subscribers, was not possible for nobody to be in contact via
the reflector. Only direct and private communication works. NLSA
who host the traditional Moon-net back to the ancient Moon-net
under the @nlsa.com domain but with several limitation on the

amount email per hour they can handle. As soon I realize the problematic I decide to open a Moon-net distribution Group but under the well know platform "Google Groups", similar reflectors like LINRAD runs in a perfect way in that platform. The central idea is to have a backup communication systems and don't depend in a single point of failure. The EME community is in contact each other thank that reflector and would be better if we run with the chance to have a backup way. For that reason I invite everybody to join the list, actually we are approximately 200 already and number increase per day, How join the list?, if you have a Google account go to: http://groups.google.com/group/moon-net?hl=en and join the group Moon-net, if you don't have and account or if you donï¿½t want to open one just send me and email to hb9dri at emeham.com and I will send you an invitation. 73 de Alex, HB9DRI
SOURCE: tnx for all Alex, HB9DRI, and info to MMMonVHF

** XX Italian EME Meeting (Associazione Radioamatori Italiani) **

Tuscany Regional Committee -Hotel Joseph- Marina di Pietrasanta Versilia 30th, April 1st May 2011... Alex, IV3KKW wish us to spread around the program for that meeting - Please feel free to download at: www.mmmonvhf.de/upload-news/DL8EBW/STORY/EMEmeeting.pdf
SOURCE: tnx to Alex, IV3KKW direct to MMMonVHF

** Second edition of the Marathon 50 MHz **

IZ5HQB, Gabriele (iz5hqb"at"gmail.com) sent following message:
I wanted to announce that the next begins 01/05/2011 The second edition of the marathon 50 MHz organized by the "ARI Florence. "
All amateurs are invited to attend and can find all necessary information (regulations, log on-line charts) at the web http://www.arifirenze.it/maratona
SOURCE: tnx to IZ5HQB, Gabriele, direct to MMMonVHF

** UK Six Metre Group launch newsletter **

The United Kingdom Six Metre Group (UKSMG) has launched an initiative initially to UK radio clubs and societies, to keep them informed regarding operating on 50MHz. A bi-monthly newsletter will be e-mailed to club secretaries who have registered to receive it. The newsletter will contain a wide variety of information including practical operating tips. Much will be specifically targeted at the large number of operators who have not previously experienced the enhanced F2 propagation expected during the sun spot cycle peak in 2012. Any club secretaries who have not already registered to receive the newsletter can do so at www.uksmg.org/phplist
SOURCE: [RSGB] via ICPO Bulletin (25 February-04 March 2011)

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: PJ4 ; Square: FK52 ; Start: 2011-04-07 **
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Announcement New DXCC 144MHz moonbounce: PJ4(FK52ud)
LATEST NEWS from Rene, PE1L, dated 2011-03-03: Johan PA3FPQ,
Jurgen PE1LWT and Rene PE1L will travel, after the PJ4X activity
to PJ2 the new DXCC Curacao (FK52NC) - all details about that
PJ2 activity will be here: www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3711
SOURCE: tnx to Rene, PE1L, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: PJ2 ; Square: FK52 ; Start: 2011-04-14 **
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Johan PA3FPQ, Jurgen PE1LWT and Rene PE1L will travel, after
the PJ4X activity (see http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3684)
to PJ2 the new DXCC Curacao (FK52NC) - From April 14 th until April
18 th 2011 we well be on 144 MHz moonbounce as PJ2/PE1L. The locator
will be FK52nc. We want to be active from moonrise till moonset. We
try to send at least once a day a update via MoonNet, MMMonVHF and
our mailinglist. Frequency: We always TX and RX 144.124 MHz. We use
1 minute periods and we will TX always first. Setup is same as
C56EME but we dont have the good groundgain. 2 x 8 Xpol yagi 400 w
and WA2ODO low NF preamp - Welcome to The Curacao moonbounce site!
http://www.emelogger.com/curacao 73 Johan PA3FPQ, Jurgen PE1LWT
and Rene PE1L - SOURCE: tnx to Rene, PE1L, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: ER ; Square: KN48 ; Start: 2011-05-07 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3706

The Team of Oleg, UX5UL and Val, UT6UG will be qrg on 144 MHz
from KN48 in May! New DX expedition for work via EME is planned
for rare territory Moldova from May, 7 till May, 11th, 2011, a
team in structure of UX5UL, UT6UG. Work is planned by a call
sign ER0UB. will be qrv via 144 MHz EME from KN48 in Moldova.
Setup: 2x9 Xpol yagi RA3AQ, 500W, LNA (PA3BIY).
More info later... SOURCE: tnx to Oleg, UX5UG, direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
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** BEACON SK4MPI **

After tonights NAC at SK4AO I got a hint from SM7GVF about MPI and when I at home checked the signal it is quite weak here, usually I have about 1 mV from the antenna. Propably the PA has tripped for some reason. I will try to get someone to make a quick check tomorrow, I have no possibility to do it myself. Maybe later this week if a reset doesn't help. Btw, is there possibly a solid state PA available, or parts for one? Current PA with 2 x 4CX250B runs normally at 200-250 W out at SK4MPI. Be aware it is continous service, it should preferrably be quite heavily overrated. Current exciter produce around 1 W, but propably a new PA should be accompained by a new exciter as well. Spare X-tal 72,206 MHz is available, so it is possible to construct new beacon without taking the old one out of service. Regards Jan, SM4HFI
SOURCE: tnx to Lasse, OH6KTL direct to MMMonVHF

** RADIO EXPEDITION SIERRA LEONE 2011 **

LATEST NEWS from Lance, W7GJ, dated 2011-02-27: As most of you probably already know, the 9L5MS operation is also taking a small 6m beam (5 element Tonna) and 500w for 6m. They are planning to be active on JT65A mode during at least some moonrises and moonsets (below 20 degrees elevation), depending on how much ground gain they are able to achieve at their QTH. The new dates planned for their operation are March 28 to April 18. Note that that entire period avoids the worst Degradation of the month and includes the best days of the month for 6m EME (April 12-17). Additional info is available on their website: www.sierraleone2011.com/sl_2011/home.php They do expect to have internet at their QTH in 9L, and plan to be on the ON4KST EME chat page when they are QRV. Please watch for them or propose skeds with them. This is the first ever 6m EME from 9L and should result in a number of new DXCC for stations who can arrange a mutual moon window with them. MNI TNX to the 9L5MS crew for this great opportunity! GL to all and VY
SOURCE: 73, Lance, W7GJ via : [Magic Band EME]

** T31A from AI47 in April **

Does anybody know of a 6m yagi that is available to loan to the T31A team? They will have JT65A capability and a kw from an ACOM 1000. They are willing to try some 6m EME on their horizon. I would think they should do very well with something like a 5 or 7 element M2 if they can use a short feedline and get it next to the water. They need to borrow a portable 6m beam that one of the team members can pack up and take on the plane with them. They are planning to be there during the last half of April. More details are on their website: http://www.t31a.com/ MNI TNX and VY 73
SOURCE: Lance, W7GJ via [Magic Band EME]

** HF and 50 MHz Activity from Liberia (EL) **

Silvano, I2YSB and his team (Vinicio IK2CIO, Angelo IK2CKR,
Marcello IK2DIA and Stefano IK2HKT) will be active from Liberia
(callsign TBA) from 31 March to 13 April. They plan to operate CW,
SSB and RTTY on 80-10 metres with three stations on the HF bands
and one dedicated station on 6 metres. QSL direct to I2YSB. Further
information, band/mode survey and Online QSL Request System can
be found at www.i2ysb.com. Once again Arturo IK7JWY will be the
pilot station for the expedition (it will be possibile to contact
him through the dedicated forum at www.hamradioweb.org/forums/
SOURCE: 425 DX News #1034

** HF and 50 MHz Activity, V2, ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA, NA-100 **

Bob,W4OWY, and Mark,W9OP, will be active in CW, SSB and RTTY on
160m-6m signing V25WY and V25OP from Mar 8-18. QSLs via bureau,
direct, LoTW or eQSL to their homecalls.
SOURCE: [DXNL] DXNL 1717 (Mar 2, 2011)

** 4A4A DXpedition - Revillagigedo (XF4) **

An international team of operators will activate the Revillagigedo
[aka Revilla Gigedo] Islands (IOTA NA-030, WFF XEFF-072, WW Loc.
DK48MS) as 4A4A from 4th to 19th of March 2011. Operators include
Marcos XE1B (team leader), Javier EA5KM, Elmo EA5BYP, Javi EC4DX,
Fernando EA5FX, Vicente EA5AFP, Santos EA4AK and John N5NTP.
DXpedition plans include to keep a CW team and a SSB team
simultaneously on the air at all times. Yagis will be used for the
top bands and verticals for the low bands. Efforts are being made
to bring some linear amplifiers to the island. All bands from 160
to 10 (maybe 6) metres will be active using CW, SSB and digital
modes. QSL via EB7DX, direct only (QRZ.com) and LoTW. The
operation's Web page is: www.revillagigedo2011.com/ A 4A4A Twitter
page is also available at: twitter.com/EA4AK
SOURCE: [OPDX] via ICPO Bulletin (25 February-04 March 2011)

** Isl. of Langeness (IOTA EU-042, JO44) qrv HF, VHF and UHF **

Operators Friedrich DL4BBH, Helmut DL1BGC, Karl DJ4FO, Peter DJ4RU
Henning DB5BZ and Ric DL2VFR will be active as DF0WFF from the
island of Langeness (IOTA EU-042, GIA N-19, WLOTA 1245), and the
National Park and Nature Reserve Schleswig-Holstein Wadden Sea (WFF
DLFF-013, Grid Loc. JO44) on 8-10th April 2011. QRV on HF/VHF/UHF
using CW and SSB. QSL direct or bureau to DL2VFR.
SOURCE: [rsgbiota.org] via ICPO Bulletin

** CY0 - SABLE ISLAND, NA-063, qrv HF and 50 MHz **

The well planned and two times postponed DXpedition to Sable
(NA-063 / GN03-FN93) is scheduled to take place from Mar 7-15.
Even the team changed since some of the originally planned
operators didn't get a holiday now. The new team includes Randy
N0TG, Jeff,N1NSB, and Wayne,K8LEE. They want to run three stations
simultaneously in CW, SSB and RTTY on 160m-6m. They will use a
"Battle Creek Special" for 40m/80m/160m, three verticals, at least
one wire antenna and a yagi. All direct and bureau QSL cards should
be sent to N0TG. They ask everybody to use the "ONLINE QSL REQUEST
Service" (OQRS) on their DXpedition website for direct and bureau
QSLs (see "How to QSL"): http://www.CY0dxpedition.com
SOURCE: [DXNL] DXNL 1717 (Mar 2, 2011)

** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
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** Many thanks to all our USER who did send us info and News **

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info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
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The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
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Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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240. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-03 19:25:43 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <bea081fc-3399-4e7f-b34b-c61cedcced8e@j35g2000prb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4880

On Mar 3, 3:43 am, 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdg...@gmail.com> wrote:
> ALL HOT PHOTOS SUPER SeXY
PHOTOShttp://alltoux.blogspot.com/2010/09/hot-lip-kiss-135.html

can the spam

241. The ARRL Letter for March 3, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-03 21:58:15 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20110303212605.A2F83215A7@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 4881
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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==> + LEGISLATIVE NEWS: ARRL MEMBERS RESPOND TO HR 607

Last month, a bill was introduced in the US House of Representatives
that addresses certain spectrum management issues, including the
creation and maintenance of a nationwide Public Safety broadband
network. This bill -- HR 607, known as The Broadband for First
Responders Act of 2011 -- if passed, also calls to auction off parts of
the 70 cm band, namely 420-440 and 450-470 MHz. As such, the ARRL asked
its members to write their Representative, asking them to not support
HR 607 in its current form.

According to ARRL Regulatory Information Manager Dan Henderson, N1ND,
Chwat & Co -- the ARRL's legislative relations firm in Washington, DC
-- received almost 1000 letters from League members in opposition to HR
607. "This is a great start and many thanks to the diligent members who
have risen to the challenge; however, it cannot stop there. As long as
HR 607 is in its current form, we must continue this campaign." He
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clarified that the ARRL opposes HR 607 in its present form: "We do not oppose the concept of dedicated spectrum for the development of a Public Safety infrastructure and wireless network. We object to the bill because of the inclusion of 420-440 MHz as part of the spectrum to be swapped and auctioned to commercial users." Click here <http://www.arrl.org/sample-letters> for some pointers for writing letters in opposition to HR 607.

==> + GET READY FOR THE APRIL ISSUE OF QST!

No foolin' -- the April issue of QST is jam-packed with all sorts of things that today's Amateur Radio operator needs. From product reviews to experiments to contesting -- including articles featuring a homebrew 40 meter transmitter, ground radials, digital modes and the 2011 ARRL Board of Directors Annual Meeting -- this issue of QST has something for just about everyone.

Who says life's too short for QRP? Not Lou Burke, W7JI. Following up on his February 2011 QST article about a homebrew QRP superhet receiver, Burke brings us "The W7JI Low or Lower Power 40 Meter Transmitter," a companion to that receiver. This transmitter features a VFO, CW keyer and automatic antenna switching. Ron Harger, WD8BCS, shows readers an inexpensive and easy-to-build radial system for temporary vertical antenna installations in his article "Does Your Ground Radial Kit Measure Up?" When you keep your audio controls in check, it really does make a difference in how your station sounds. QST Technical Editor Joel Hallas, W1ZR, demonstrates how to set up your SSB transceiver with the proper audio levels in "Sounding Good on the Air -- Setting Your Audio Controls."

Amateur Radio is all about experimentation. One of the newer ways for hams to have fun and play around on the bands is via the digital modes. QST editor Steve Ford, WB8IMY, takes a look at one of the newer digital modes in "JT65 -- The 'Musical' Mode." In January, the ARRL Board of Director met in Connecticut for its Annual Meeting. Join ARRL News Editor S. Khrystyne Keane, K1SFA, and QST Managing Editor Joel Kleinman, N1BKE, as they take you inside the meeting room as the Board charts the course for the coming year and beyond. Keane also tells of the recipients of the ARRL International Humanitarian Award, the George Hart Distinguished Service Award and the print, video and audio winners of the Bill Leonard, W2SKE, Professional Media Award.

QST Technical Editor Joel Hallas, W1ZR, takes a look at the Elecraft P3 panadapter in this month's Product Review. He says this add-on to Elecraft's popular K3 rig "adds high performance, stand-alone functionality. If you want to see what's happening on the band, this will provide the needed view, as well as another way to control radio tuning, if you wish." ARRL Contributing Author Curt Phillips, W4CP, checks out the Uniden HomePatrol-1 scanning receiver. He says that it "brings user friendliness to a new level. It performs complicated scanning functions with ease, and loading local frequencies is a snap."

Carl Luetzelschwab, K9LA, delivers the results of the 2010 IARU HF World Championship, held this past July. What makes this 24 hour contest so much fun? "Everyone works everyone, we get to operate both CW and phone, the exchange is simple and we get to work HQ stations and receive their nifty QSLs," said one participant. "It's also during the summer break, which allows busy college students to take it seriously." ARRL Regulatory Information Manager Dan Henderson, N1ND, tells about the 2011 ARRL Straight Key Night. As one participant described it, Straight Key Night participants appreciate "the opportunity it affords us Old Timers to relive the past in such a wonderful way."

Of course, there are the usual columns you know and expect in the April QST: Happenings, Hints & Kinks, The Doctor Is IN, How's DX, Vintage Radio and more. Look for your April issue in your mailbox. QST is the official journal of ARRL, the national association for Amateur Radio. QST is just one of the many benefits of ARRL membership. To join or renew your ARRL membership, please see the ARRL Web page <https://www.arrl.org/join>.

==> THE DOCTOR IS IN : MEASURING A METER'S TOLERANCE

David Van Doorn, W9WEL, of Fort Wayne, Indiana, wrote to the ARRL's Doctor, asking about his analog meter's tolerance. He wanted to know if the tolerance is listed as 10% of full scale, does that actually mean ±10% of full scale? For example, a meter with a 300 unit full scale would have a specified accuracy of the measured value of ±30. Thus, a reading of 40 could actually be anywhere from 10 to 70. Or does that mean ±10% at full scale? For example, at 300 full scale, an actual value of 300 could read 270 or 330 and every other reading on that scale would read ±10%? So an actual value of 40 could read 36 or 44?

Here's what the Doctor had to say:

I'm afraid it is the former. This suggests that the scale selected be one with the reading near the top of the range for maximum accuracy. Keep in mind that the actual accuracy could be -- and often will be -- much better than that specified, just not worse.

Thanks Doctor! Do you have a question or a problem? Send your questions via e-mail <doctor@arrl.org> or to The Doctor, ARRL, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111 (no phone calls, please). Look for "The Doctor Is IN" every month in QST <http://www.arrl.org/qst>, the official journal of the ARRL.

==> + PUBLIC SERVICE: NO HF FREQUENCIES BEING USED IN NEW ZEALAND EARTHQUAKE OPERATIONS

The ARRL has received word from the New Zealand Association of Radio Transmitters (NZART <http://www.nzart.org.nz/>) -- that country's IARU <http://www.iaru.org/> Member-Society -- that amateurs there providing communications support in the aftermath of the 6.3 earthquake <http://www.arrl.org/news/new-zealand-amateurs-assist-in-earthquake-s-afterma th>

are using 2 meters (144 MHz). No HF frequencies are being used. If this changes, the information will be posted on the ARRL website.

==> + ARRL IN ACTION : WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO LATELY?

Compiled by ARRL News Editor S. Khrystyne Keane, K1SFA

This feature is a concise monthly update of some of the things ARRL is doing on behalf of its members. This installment -- which covers the month of February -- looks at how the ARRL is responding to HR 607, a new Memorandum of Understanding between the ARRL and the Boy Scouts of America, improvements at W1AW and in the ARRL Lab, reports from the Official Observer Desk and more . Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-in-action-what-have-we-been-up-to-lately-31>.

==> ARRL FIELD DAY: 2011 FIELD DAY PACKETS AVAILABLE

It's that time of year again -- time to start gearing up for ARRL Field Day, June 25-26, 2011! ARRL's flagship operating event -- always held the fourth full weekend in June -- brings together new and experienced hams for 24 hours of operating fun. Field Day packets are now available for download <http://www.arrl.org/files/file/Field-Day/2011/2011_FD_Packet.pdf>and include the complete rules (including a change for 2011), as well as other reference items such as forms, ARRL Section abbreviation list, entry submission instructions, a Frequently Asked Questions section, guidelines for getting bonus points, instructions for GOTA stations and a kit to publicize your event with the local press. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/2011-field-day-packet-now-available>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "Waiting for the Sun <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=A0kypyGSKsE>" Cook, K7RA, reports: Solar activity is on the rise again, but the average sunspot and solar flux numbers are down, compared with last week. This week, the average daily sunspot number declined more than 14 points to 50.9, and the average daily solar flux was off 7 points to 96.8. The average daily planetary A index rose from 6.1 to 9, and the average mid-latitude A index was about the same, declining from 5.4 to 5.1. The most active day for geomagnetic indexes was March 1, with a planetary A index of 31. The planetary K index rose as high as 6 on that day. NOAA and USAF predict solar flux at 115 on March 3, 120 on March 4-10, 110 on March 11-15 and 105 on March 16-17. The planetary A index is forecast at 15, 12 and 10 on March 3-5, 5 on March 6-13 and 7 on March 14-15. The monthly average of sunspot numbers for December through February was 22, 32.2 and 53.5. Look for more information -- including a take on why Solar Cycle 24 has been so weak -- on the ARRL website on Friday, March 4. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by The Doors' Waiting for the Sun

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=A0kypyGSKsE>.

==> + SILENT KEY: EUGENE PRESSLER, W3ZXV (SK)

Eugene "Gene" Pressler, W3ZXV, of Gwynedd, Pennsylvania, passed away February 22. He was 80. Pressler, who served as an Assistant Director in the ARRL Atlantic Division, also served as the Public Information Coordinator and Assistant Section Manager for Eastern Pennsylvania, as well as the Division's representative on the Public Relations Advisory Committee for several years. In 1996, Pressler was honored by the Atlantic Division as its Amateur of the Year for a "lifetime of service to Amateur Radio." He co-founded and served as Director Emeritus of the Area Repeater Coordination Council, the regional Amateur Radio repeater frequency coordinator for Eastern Pennsylvania and Southern New Jersey. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/former-atlantic-division-assistant-director-eugene-pressler-w3zxv-sk>.

==> + ARRL RECOGNIZES: LOU BURKE, W7JI, WINS FEBRUARY QST COVER PLAQUE AWARD

The winner of the QST Cover Plaque Award for February is Lou Burke, W7JI , for his article "A Compact 40 Meter Receiver. " Congratulations Lou! The QST Cover Plaque award -- given to the author or authors of the best article in each issue -- is determined by a vote of ARRL members on the QST Cover Plaque Poll Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cover-plaque-poll> . Cast a ballot for your favorite article in the March issue today.

==> DX NEWS: SPRATLY ISLANDS DXPEDITION POSTPONED TO 2012

In the March 3 edition of The Daily DX <http://www.dailydx.com/>, Editor Bernie McClenny, W3UR, reports that the planned DXpedition to the Spratly Islands <http://www.arrl.org/news/the-spratly-islands-dxpedition-gets-wings> has been postponed until April 2012. According to DX0DX Team Leader Chris Dimitrijevic, VK3FY, the postponement is due to circumstances beyond the control of the DX0DX Team and "in the best interests of the Team of Operators." The DX0DX DXpedition was originally scheduled to run January 6-February 1, 2011. Spratly currently sits at #32 on DX Magazine <http://www.dxpub.com/dx_news.html>'s "Most Wanted" List.

==> THIS WEEK ON THE RADIO

This week:

- March 5 -- Wake-Up! QRP Sprint
- March 5-6 -- ARRL International DX Contest (SSB) <http://www.arrl.org/arrl-dx>; Open Ukraine RTTY Championship
- March 6 -- DARC 10 Meter Digital Contest
- March 8 -- ARS Spartan Sprint
- March 9-10 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

Next week:

- March 12 -- AGCW QRP Contest
- March 12-13 -- Idaho QSO Party
- March 13 -- North American Sprint (RTTY); SKCC Weekend Sprint; UBA Spring Contest (CW)
- March 13-14 -- Wisconsin QSO Party; EA PSK31 Contest
- March 15-16 -- CLARA HF Contest

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more info. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- March 5 -- ARRL South Texas Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/south-texas-section-convention-greater-houston-hamfest-1>,
Rosenberg, Texas; ARRL Alabama Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/alabama-section-convention-birminghamfest>,
Birmingham, Alabama
- March 11-12 -- ARRL Oklahoma Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/oklahoma-section-convention-green-country-hamfest>,
Claremore, Oklahoma
- March 12-13 -- ARRL North Carolina Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/north-carolina-section-convention-charlotte-hamfest>,
Concord, North Carolina
- March 19 -- ARRL West Texas Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-texas-section-convention-56th-annual-st-patrick-s-day-hamfest>,
Midland, Texas; ARRL Nebraska State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/nebraska-state-convention-1>, Lincoln,
Nebraska
- March 25 -- ARRL Maine State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/maine-state-convention-1>, Lewiston,
Maine
- March 26 -- ARRL Maryland State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/maryland-state-convention-greater-baltimore-hamboree-computerfest>,
Timonium, Maryland

To find a convention or hamfest near you, click here <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests>.

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Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1751 - March 4 2011

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1751 with a release date of Friday, March 4, 2011 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Ham radio continues its role in the wake of the Christchurch New Zealand earthquake. We have a report from the scene. Also, a United Kingdom ham is funded to conduct a study on digital communications in emergency communications and the latest on the proposal to create a new 500 kilohertz ham band. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1751 coming your way right now.

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RESCUE RADIO: THE CHRISTCHURCH NEW ZEALAND EARTHQUAKE STORY CONTINUES

Ham radio continues to be an important factor in rescue and recovery efforts in the wake of the earthquake that hit Christchurch, New Zealand, on Tuesday, February 22nd. Jim Meachen, ZL2BHF, is several hundred miles to the North in Auckland with the latest:

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ZL4FZ: "At this stage were still extensively supporting the Land Star operation that's the more major component. Today with 300 searchers in the field we have deployed probably 50 radios to teams of operators and each of those teams has each got its own radios. There are about an actual 250 staff on foot in the field and all of that communications is coming back through AREC"

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That's Richard Smart, ZL4FZ, who is head of the Amateur Radio Emergency Communications team explaining the role that his emergency communications group is currently playing in the aftermath of the 6.3 earthquake. A quake that as of airtime is believed responsible for at least 160 deaths and scores of injuries in and around the Christchurch area. According to Smart ham radio was on scene from the time the quake hit and right though the present:

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ZL4FZ: "AREC involvement in the Christchurch earthquake has been to support Civil Defense directly with the welfare centers, initially at

the temporary welfare center in Hagley Park. (This is) a small tent city where AREC provided effectively a complete communications terminal right through to the extensive support for the Land Star operation which has been visiting every home in the Western suburb of Christchurch. To date a total of some eighteen thousand homes have been visited by the Land Star teams and the AREC teams have provided communications for upward of 300 volunteers in the field at any one time."

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Smart tells Amateur Radio Newsline that it's the ability of hams to quickly adapt and respond to any emergency that masks them valuable in situations such as this. He also says that those in charge of relief efforts are very satisfied with the AREC ham radio operations:

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ZL4FZ: "I believe in this case that AREC has managed to provide a solution to unforeseen communications difficulties, and in the case of the Land Star deployment particularly because it has become a linchpin to allow the operation to work.

"We have been told by the senior management for the Land Star operation that basically it would not have been possible to achieve what they have achieved which is spectacular in its own right, without the assistance of AREC in that role."

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So what role will AREC play as recovery efforts continue? ZL4FZ says that at this moment its hard to say:

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ZL4FZ: "Its very difficult to tell at this stage and the difficulty is that there a number of significant issues that the city is facing and there are a number of agencies involved, obviously with specializations in different areas. One of the things the Civil Defense emergency management teams are working on is setting the appropriate team for the tasks that they have. And at this stage, while this tasking is drawing nearer to a close, we are waiting word as to what the next tasking may be."

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The story of the Christchurch earthquake and the part being played by ham radio in post quake recovery efforts is far from over and we will have more for you in future Amateur Radio Newsline reports.

>From Auckland, on the North Island of New Zealand, I'm Jim Meachen, ZL2BHF, reporting for the Amateur Radio Newsline.

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It has to be noted that so far, this has been a VHF only operation. Word from the New Zealand Association of Radio Transmitters is that hams providing communications support in the aftermath of the quake are using only 2 meter FM. No High Frequency communications into and out of the Christchurch area has been found to be necessary. (ARNewsline(tm), ZL2BHF, ZL4FZ)

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RESCUE RADIO: UK HAM GETS FUNDING TO STUDY DIGITAL EMCOMM SYSTEMS FOR RAYNET

A member of The United Kingdom's Radio Amateurs' Emergency Network or RAYNET has received two months' funding to examine how that group could best use data communications to support police and other services.

Howard Winter, G1BYY, a member of Mid-Herts RAYNET, made an application to the Vodafone World of Difference Scheme in November. According to the RSGB News, Winter will spend two months undertaking his own research and experimentation, collating the work that has already been done by RAYNET Groups and comparing the experiences of members experimenting with data. He will then be producing documents that will be available nationally, to groups of all affiliations.

An increasing demand from emergency response services using RAYNET to have it provide data links has led many groups to experimenting on a variety of digital systems. RAYNET members are now using APRS to track vehicles responding to incidents in remote locations, transmitting photographs from the scenes of emergencies and sending data files back to their control and command centers (GB2RS)

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RESTRUCTURING: THE LATEST ON THE 500 KHZ PROPOSAL

A possible hitch in the creation of a permanent low frequency allocation at or near 500 KHz. Jeremy Boot, G4NJH is in Nottingham in the UK with more:

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The ITU Conference Preparatory Meeting, or CPM, for the World Radiocommunication Conference 2012, or WRC-12, has completed its work on the agenda item that considers an allocation of up to 15kHz in the band 415 to 526.5kHz.

Three options, one of which is no allocation to the amateurs, are proposed. Whilst initially it was hoped that spectrum around and near to 500kHz could be allocated for amateur use, the maritime service has identified a new requirement for this part of the spectrum. Because of this there is no support from national administrations like Ofcom to support amateur allocation in this part of the spectrum.

One of the remaining options agreed by the ITU CPM is the so-called Method A, originally put forward by the RSGB. This is for an

allocation of up to 15kHz between 472kHz and 487kHz. The Americans, Canadians and others within their regional group, CITEL, favor a different option, Method B, which is for a split allocation between 461 - 469kHz and 471 - 478kHz, totaling 15kHz. Method A is the main option being considered within CEPT, which has yet to reach what it terms a European Common Proposal on the option.

I'm Jeremy Boot, G4NJH.

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None of this preparatory work affects any temporary experimental access to this spectrum other than tests that have been carried out by the maritime service in respect of its proposed new system. Further information is at tinyurl.com/lowfreq (RSGB News)

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BREAKING DX NEWS: SABLE ISLAND MAY BE ON BY MARCH 7

And some breaking news in the world of DX. This with news that the long anticipated Sable Island DXpedition may be on the air before our next newscast.

Randy Rowe, N0TG, reports via the Southgate news that providing flight conditions are suitable, all is set for operations to begin around 2100 UTC on March 7th. Rowe also says that the team will standby and be ready to go on a day to day basis should there be delay.

Three stations will be operational simultaneously as much as possible using the calls N0TG/CY0, K8LEE/CY0 and N1SNB/CY0. Additional details are available on line at www.cy0dxpedition.com. And we will have more DX news later on in this weeks Amateur Radio Newsline report. (Southgate)

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>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the KA9EKG repeater serving Delavan, Wisconsin.

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RADIO LAW: FCC GRANTS CONTROVERSIAL CONDITIONAL WAIVER TO BROADBAND PROVIDER TO OPERATE ADJACENT TO THE GPS BAND

A big bru-ha-ha is building over a new service grant adjacent to the G-P-S band. Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP, is here with the rest of the story:

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The Air Transport Association and other aerospace companies say that a project to help make broadband wireless service available to all residents across the United States has the potential to interfere with the current users of the Global Positioning System. Also, it that it could jeopardize the cornerstone of the Federal Aviation Administration's $40 billion next generation air navigation and transportation system.

At the heart of the controversy is what broadband suppliers are calling an innovative project by service provider LightSquared, Inc. to rebroadcast L-band satellite data and voice communications over a large terrestrial network. This using a new technology that would bring terrestrial broadband to 260 million people by 2015.

On January 26th LightSquared received a conditional waiver from the Federal Communications Commission to rebroadcast its satellite signals using high power transmitters on as many as 40,000 tower sites around the country. LightSquared launched its SkyTerra-1 communications satellite in November 2010, and plans to launch a second satellite in 2012.

The FCC approved the request from LightSquared in less than three months, angering the nations aerospace industry that had requested that the normal Notice of Proposed Rule Making process be followed. This, allow for more time to analyze the potential impacts to air navigation. Also in opposition is the GPS equipment supply industry with well known manufacturer Garmin leading those who do not want to see the LightSquared rushed into place at the expense of G-P-S users world-wide.

The issues involve the potential for out-of-band interference between LightSquared's operating spectrum of 1525 of 1559 MHz and the GPS band of 1559 to 1610 MHz. A study released by Garmin, whose GPS units are installed in more than 43,000 aircraft showed that aviation units would detect interference, or jamming, more than 12 Nautical Miles from a simulated LightSquared antenna site and suffer loss of its positional fix at 5 Nautical Miles. Garmin says its results were conservative, and actual implementation of the LightSquared system could increase the distances.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP, reporting from Scottsdale, Arizona.

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Meantime, caught in the middle of this fight are the tens of millions of U-S citizens who use G-P-S to navigate from one place to another. All they want is to get from point A to point B without being interfered with by anyone. (Various sources)

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ENFORCEMENT: LASER POINTER HITS COCKPIT OF PHOENIX NEWS HELICOPTER

A Phoenix news helicopter was the victim of an attack from the ground in late February. This as someone shot a bright laser beam into its cockpit that was also caught by the choppers on-board camera.

According to The Arizona Republic, authorities are currently investigating the incident and have yet to identify the perpetrator. The newspaper goes on to note that local police actually searched door-to-door in the area where the beam originated but so far have come up empty handed.

A spokesman with the Federal Aviation Administration commenting on the incident said that the message here is very simple. If you want to engage in this kind of dangerous and irresponsible behavior, you can be caught and arrested. If caught, and if prosecuted by the perpetrator of this stunt could face up to 20 years in prison. (Published news reports)

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HAM RADIO POLITICS: NEW SM ELECTED IN ARKANSAS

Turning to the ham radio political scene, in the only balloted Section Manager election this winter, ARRL members in Arkansas have elected Dale Temple, W5RXU, North Little Rock, as Section Manager. Temple received 362 votes, and his opponent, incumbent Section Manager J. M. Rowe, N5XFW, of Hot Springs, received 290 votes.

Temple begins his two year term of office on April 1st. Outgoing Section Manager Rowe has served in that position since December 2008.

Ballots were counted and verified at ARRL Headquarters on Tuesday, February 22. (ARRL)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: RADIO CLUB OF AMERICA BREAKFAST AT IWCE

On the social scene, the Radio Club of America Breakfast at IWCE Mobile Communications Show is slated for Thursday, March 10th. The venue is the Las Vegas Hilton Hotel from 7:30 AM to 9:00 AM. The keynote speaker is Mark Crosby who will discuss Existing Licensees and the Push to Broadband. More information is on line at tinyurl.com/4buj9lm. (RCA)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: HAMVENTION EXHIBITS FLOOR MAP AVAILABLE

If you plan on attending Hamvention 2011, listen up. Hamvention planners have announced that a file containing a map of all the inside exhibits has been uploaded to the files area of the Hamvention Yahoogroup on-line discussion. If you are a Yahoogroups member you an access this map at tnyurl.com/324qy9.

Hamvention 2011 is slated for May 20th to the 22nd at the Hara Arena is suburban Dayton, Ohio. We hope to see you there. (AC8DE)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: RICHARD FISHER, KI6SN, NAMED NEW EDITOR OF POPULAR COMMUNICATIONS MAGAZINE

And another change at CQ Communications. This with word that veteran journalist and writer Richard Fisher, KI6SN, has been named the new Editor of Popular Communications magazine.

Fisher will succeed Edith Lennon, N2ZRW, who is stepping down after four years at the Popular Communications editors desk. This, to pursue freelance editing and writing projects and to work with a non-profit organization.

Richard Fisher, KI6SN lives in Riverside, California, and is no newcomer to the CQ family. In addition to his new position, Fisher will also continue in his current position as Editor of WorldRadio Online magazine and will also continue to write his current columns in Popular Communications, WorldRadio Online and CQ magazines. KI6SN also manages three related Internet sites, including blog sites for WorldRadio Online, his "Trail-Friendly Radio" column in that magazine, and his "Public Service" column in CQ magazine. He is also an administrator of the Facebook pages for all four CQ Communications publications.

Richard Fisher, KI6SN, assumes the Popular Communications Editors mantle effective with the June 2011 issue. (CQ)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: UTAH'S WOMEN IN RADIO CELEBRATE NUMBER 10

And the group Women in Amateur Radio, the largest class for female ham radio operators in Utah, for and taught by women, is celebrating its 10th anniversary on March 7th. According to Linda Reader, N7HVF, most of those who graduated from that class are still active in the hobby, with some involved in emergency and public service communications. The group hopes to make these classes a regular event for those women in Utah seeking to become radio amateurs. (N7HVF)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: NEW STUDY FINDS CELLPHONES AFFECT BRAIN WAVES

A newly completed study indicates that electromagnetic radiation from the antenna of cellular telephones may be altering the way we think and behave. This according to an article published Tuesday, February 22nd in the Journal of the American Medical Association.

According to news reports, researchers peered inside the brains of 47 healthy subjects using Positron Emission Tomography to measure the location and timing of brain activity by detecting signs that cells were consuming energy. They found that despite official skepticism including statements issued by the Food and Drug Administration that cellphones' electromagnetic energy exerts any influence on nearby cells.

The preliminary study, led by a respected neuroscientist at the National Institutes of Health provides what other researchers are calling solid evidence that cellular telephone use has measurable effects on brain activity. It also suggests that the peoples attachment to its millions of wireless phones may be altering the way we think and behave in subtle ways. (Various published reports)

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ON THE AIR: CELEBRATING 100 YEARS OF THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA

On the air, keep an ear open for members of the Republic of China Centenary Foundation who will be activating special event station BV100 during the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest on March 26th and 27th. The operators from Taiwan will then be on the air from Shaio-Liu-Chiu Island until the end of the year as a special event is to celebrate the 100th anniversary of their homeland. Operations will be on all bands and modes. Complete details, a operating schedule and information as to how to earn a BV100 award is available at www.bv100.tw/EN. QSL's go via BV2KI. (OPDX)

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ON THE AIR: CELEBRATING THE UNIFICATION OF ITALY

And keep on the lookout for special event station IO4UI to be active between March 1st and September 30th. This operation is to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the Unification of Italy. All of QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau. More details are available on QRZ.com. QSL this one via I4JEE. (OPDX)

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ON THE AIR: 90 YEARS FOR THE LINCOLN SHORTWAVE CLUB

The United Kingdom based Lincoln Short Wave Club is celebrating its 90th anniversary this year. According to GB2RS, anyone working the club callsign G5FZ will receive a limited edition QSL card that will only be available through December 31st. (GB2RS)

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ON THE AIR: K5B - THE BATAAN MEMORIAL DEATH MARCH MARATHON

Closer to home, the Mesilla Valley Radio Club of Las Cruces, New Mexico will be operating special events station K5B on March 27th. This in conjunction with the 22nd annual Bataan Memorial Death March Marathon held at the White Sands Missile Range from 10:00 to 23:00 UTC.

K5B will be operating on or near 3.893, 7.225, 14.330 and 21.337 MHz. QSL cards go to Special Events Station K5B in care of the Mesilla Valley Radio Club, P. O. Box 1443, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88004. Please put `K5B' on the lower, left hand corner of your outer envelope. Complete information on this event is on-line at www.n5bl.org/bataan. (WB4AEJ)

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DX

In DX, DO1BEN and DO1IQ will be on the air portable OZ from Lolland Island between April 22nd and the 29th. Operation will be on 80 through 10 meters using SSB and some digital modes. QSL each operator via their home callsigns, either via the bureau or direct. For updates, visit www.do1ben.de

EI7CC, will be active as 7P8PB from his brother-in-law's 7P8CC station in Maseru, Lesotho between March 9th and the 23rd. His operating time will be limited because he will be on a family holiday. QSL via EI7CC via the bureau or direct. Logs will be uploaded to Logbook if the World immediately upon his return to Ireland.

A team of six operators from Italy will be active as from Albania as I2GPT portable ZA between March 9th and the 13th. Their operations will be on 40, 30, 20 and 17 meters using CW and SSB. QSL to I2GPT, either direct or via the bureau.

MJ0ASP is returning to Marrakech, Morocco, between March 14th through the 21st, and will be active as CN2MR. Operation will be on 40 through 10 meters using CW. He says that he will focus on the 30, 17 and 12 meter bands. QSL via MJ0ASP.

Listen out for Antigua on the air as W4OWY and W9OP will once again be active as V25WY and V25OP, respectively. They will be on the island between March 8th and the 18th. Operation will be on 160 through 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via their home callsign. Either direct or via the bureau.

Lastly, DL3KWR and DL3KWF will be active portable CT9 from Madeira between March 10th and April 6th. Their operation will be on 30, 17 and12 meters using mostly CW. DL3KWF is expected to try some RTTY and PSK31. QSL via their home callsign. And if you are a Limeliters fan you might say to this one, have some Madeira, my dear.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: WISE RADIOS ITS LAST SPACE PHOTO BACK HOME

And finally this week, its 73 to a NASA sky-mapping telescope that spent 13 months scanning cosmic objects as it roamed through space. The agency's Wide-Field Infrared Survey Explorer, nicknamed WISE, captured one last snapshot of a portion of our Milky Way galaxy as the spacecraft shut down for good.

During its thirteen months of operation, WISE scanned the sky taking about 1.8 million images of asteroids, stars and galaxies that it dutifully radioed back to Earth. The spacecrafts mission netted some nineteen previously unseen comets and more than 33,500 asteroids. The latter included 20 near Earth objects which are items in space with orbits that pass relatively close to our Earth's own orbit.

The final image it took and sent home shows thousands of stars in the constellation Perseus covering an area three times the size of the full moon. Its one of those spectacular photos that once seen is hard to forget. You can view it and read more abut the WISE mission on-line at tinyurl.com/4ce63wd. (Space)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB, the Southgate News and Australia's W-I-A News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is Newsline (at) arnewsline (dot) org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California, 91350

Before we go, a reminder that Amateur Radio Newsline is looking for a radio amateur planning to attend Hamvention 2011 and who is a professional television newsman or an actor with on-camera experience. This to take part in this years Ham Radio Town Meeting.

This years session is titled "How To Make A Ham Radio Video In The 21st Century." Among the many topics we want to cover is how to properly appear when the camera lens is on you and tape is rolling. Obviously nobody has better expertise in this area than a TV newsman or an actor who regularly appears on TV or in the movies.

If you want to take on this volunteer role, please contact us or send your resume with your contact information to Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, who is producing and moderating the session. Our e-mail address is still newsline (at) ix (dot) netcom (dot) com and we look forward to hearing from you.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editor's desk, I'm Jim Damron, N8TMW, and I'm Jeff Clark, K8JAC, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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243. WIANEWS FOR WEEK COMMENCING MARCH 06 2011

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you would expect to hear it being read back and NEVER send just links & url's.

WIANEWS FOR WEEK COMMENCING MARCH 06 2011.

Dormant frequency allocation eyed.

Southeast Queensland Microwave Day today.

3 hams killed by pirates.

Another look at Amateur Radio magazine

Amateur Television history made.

ALL THESE STORIES UP AND COMING IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS
INSTITUTE OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING MARCH 6 2011.

Amateur Television history made.

On Wednesday evening, 23 February 2011, Digital Amateur Television signals from
Victoria were received in the northwest of VK7 by Winston VK7EM.

After noting the band conditions improving with a lift in the 70cm beacon
strength and the appearance of Community TV Channel 31, Winston monitored
VK3RTV, the Melbourne Digital ATV repeater.

At around 5.30pm colour bars appeared.

Then with liaison with Peter VK3BFG on 147.4 MHz simplex, who had made sure the repeater was activated, live pictures were organized, with Peter proudly showing off his equipment with a very professional 'on camera' appearance.

Word spread and other stations- Neil VK3BCU, John VK3DQ, and Jack VK3WWW joined in.
At one stage there were two independent pictures arriving, John 3DQ on one channel, VK3RTV1 and Peter 3BFG on VK3RTV2, and both in contact with each other.

8.00PM signals on VK3RTV began to fade. It was then that a separate receiver monitoring 1250Mhz suddenly came to life with a perfect colour bar signal.

A call on 2 metres established that it was Rob, VK3TRX who chatted and then held up a 10 gig. antenna he will use in an upcoming ATV field day.
These pictures on 23 centimetres analogue FM, became quite noise free.

The equipment used by Winston consisted of home-brew yagis on each band to a K7MEM design, masthead mounted pre-amplifiers designed by VK5EME, fed into a Teac SDB451 Digital Set Top Box on 70 centimetres, while for 23 centimetres a Drake ESR 700 satellite receiver.

Read more on WIA Front Page News, wia.org.au

Dormant allocation eyed.

iTnews.com.au have a story worth a read on how Telstra has called on the ACMA to reclaim 1452 TO 1492 MHz, reserved for digital radio, advocating its return for use by point-to-point microwave services.

It was in an important spectral band for Telstra, which used the 1.5 GHz band to deploy microwave systems for telephony services to meet its universal service obligations in remote and low-density areas.

Telstra was of the view that the continued reservation of the DAB spectrum should be reviewed against the ACMA's spectrum management principles. World DAB reports about 212,000 digital radio receivers had been sold in Australia. Most services were deployed in VHF Band III spectrum, not 1.5 GHz.

Go to iTnews.com.au for the full story.

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The WIA has announced the resignation of Geoff Atkinson VK3TL as WIA Secretary and the appointment of Sarah Thompson VK3AUD as the new Secretary.

Geoff has been secretary since February 2008.

Geoff has played a very important role as secretary, in particular in relation to finding our current building, negotiating the lease and ultimately its purchase.

WIA President Michael Owen said that he very much regretted the resignation of VK3TL who has been forced to resign as WIA Secretary because he believes that his health no longer allows him the time to do the job to the level he believes is necessary.

"Geoff will still look after the inwards QSL's.

Sarah Thompson VK3AUD, recently retired from Telstra, at a senior technical position at the IP Networks, Global Operations Centre at Clayton she has also spent a year with the Antarctic Division as a Radio Officer at Macquarie Island.

Oh and I see on her CV vk3aud Sara holds a Black Belt in Taekwondo!

Members will be able to meet Sarah at the WIA Annual Conference in Darwin.

Read more on WIA Front Page News, wia.org.au

WIA Extends Emergency Communications Training

The WIA's training scheme for Emergency Communications Operators is proving to be a great success. 58 radio amateurs have now completed the training and almost 100 additional radio amateurs are registered for upcoming training sessions.

Building on this success, the WIA is now extending the Emcomms training scheme to all Australian radio amateurs, both members and non-members of the WIA, and to all WIA affiliated clubs. We believe this training scheme is important for amateur radio in Australia, and that we must treat all groups on an equal basis.

However, as all WIA members have all contributed to the development of this training system, with more than $7,000 from members funds already spent on the project, it's only right that non-members should pay an amount which fully covers the cost of their training. The charge for the Emcomms training for WIA members is $30 inc. GST, and the charge for people who are not WIA members is $65 inc. GST. That way, member's fees will not be used for the benefit of non-members. We believe that is only fair.

All non-members applying for training will be given a 6 month temporary non-voting membership of the WIA, including 6 mail-outs of AR magazine and other WIA member services. We have done this for two reasons: firstly, because we require them to be covered by the WIA insurance scheme they need to be a member to be calculated in the insurance premium the WIA pays each year, and secondly, quite frankly we are also using this as an opportunity to identify active amateurs and promote WIA membership.

For those who have completed their training and have been assessed as competent, WIA Accreditation is the next step. I will tell you more about WIA accreditation as a Volunteer Communications Operator in a few weeks. For more information on the WIA Emergency Communications Training Scheme, and to apply for the training, visit the WIA website at www.wia.org.au and click on Members Area and then Emergency Training.

We sincerely hope as many people as possible will take up this opportunity.
This is Phil Wait, VK2ASD, for the WIA

Tune-in to the world Amateur Radio gets people talking

Available to both radio clubs and individuals is the WIA National Field Day on Sunday 17 April, marking World Amateur Radio Day.

There's a hook ready-made for local publicity. The first social media in the world was Amateur Radio and it continues that and many other roles today.

Here is there an opportunity of well-presented and knowledgeable radio amateurs to support their local club or form a trio of individuals.

Put something back into the hobby you enjoy so much. Promote your local classes and in a meaningful way put Amateur Radio prominently on display.

Have things looking tidy and in order rather than frighten away prospective radio amateurs.

Check out the rules and why not register immediately online for the public relations day on 17 April.

Visit wia.org.au

right now for more details.

ACMA NEWS

ACMA concludes review of 3D TV trials and other emerging technologies but will continue to consider authorising trials of emerging technologies using the currently unassigned digital television channels until the end of 2011.

The ACMA also decided that any further trials must be of a short duration, and broadcasters will be required to give the ACMA undertakings on measures that will assist consumers to understand that trial broadcasts are temporary and will only be available in a limited number of locations.'

The ACMA considers it important that when purchasing 3D TV receivers, consumers understand the current generation of 3D receivers might be not be compatible with future transmission methods.

The ACMA website has been updated, with a new section on 3D TV setting out the ACMA approach to further trials.

HOME OF THE GOOD GUYS

Stu VK4SDD was calling CQ on 14.240 when a very weak station came back, WD0NMU / MM.

Mike was sailing somewhere north of the Philippines heading for Japan, Mike and Stu exchanged the usual in a QSO then Mike asked if Stu could do him a favour.

It seems his sat phone (ahh modern consumer technology don't we love it) was not working and could VK4SDD send an email to his family explaining the sat phone situation and that they were on track and all was well!

This He did and the next day Stu received a nice reply from WD0NMU's family thanking and praising amateur radio.

I think this is one huge benefit to our hobby we can have fun and occasionally help someone!!!

(trec news)

EDUCATION YOUTH AND ADVANCEMENT OF AMATEUR RADIO
www.hamcollege.com.au

Training course at Dural.

Tomorrow, Monday 7th will be the start of the Amateur Radio New South Wales license training course. It will be held at the Quarry Road site of ARNSW in the Sydney suburb of Dural - number 6 3 - and will commence at 7 pm.

The course instructor is Terry VK2UX.

It will be held each Monday evening and Terry expects it could last up to six months - and says it will be a thorough grounding in all aspects of theory and operating practice for the hobby of Amateur Radio.

Remember -- the course starts tomorrow evening - at Dural - and listeners - would you advise anyone you know within range of Dural who would like to undertake the training .....

Fone the office telephone and leave a message with contact details.

The number is 02 9651 1490.

There are also details www.arnsw.org.au

Look under training and exams.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART and the WW sources of the WIA.

CANTERBURY / CHRISTCHURCH
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On Tuesday 1 March WIA news spoke with Richard Smart the AREC Section Leader for Christchurch and the guy responsible for the post earthquake AREC operations in the field and asked him the followingquestions.

1. What has AREC's involvement and function been since the earthquake?

2. What is AREC roll and involvement now?

3. What is AREC's future involvement likely to be?

4. What has AREC accomplished?

THREE YACHTSMEN KILLED BY SOMALI PIRATES WERE HAMS

Four Americans -- including three Amateur Radio operators -- who were being held hostage on their yacht by pirates off the coast of Oman have been killed. Scott Adam, K9ESO, and his wife Jean, KF6RVB, along with Bob Riggle, KE7IIV, and Phyllis Macay were on board the S/V Quest when pirates boarded their vessel on Friday, February 18.

Officials were in the process of negotiating for the Americans' release when gunfire was heard. "As (US forces) responded to the gunfire, reaching and boarding the Quest, the forces discovered all four hostages had been shot by their captors."

arrl.org/news/three-yachtsmen-killed-by-somali-pirates-were-hams

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

A BIG LEAP FOR CODEC 2

Codec 2 may not be ready for prime time, but its getting close.

Take a listen.

Codec 2 audio Hear it by downloading the MP3 version of this weeks newscast at www.wia.org.au

That was just a snippet of a long conversation between Bruce Robertson VE9QRP, in Sackville, New Brunswick, Canada holding forth with Paul Saville, ZL3IN, in Christchurch, New Zealand using Codec2.

For those unaware, Codec 2 is an open source alternative to both D-Star and P25 that's being developed by a group of volunteers all around the world. The idea behind Codec 2 is to provide a single, free, software-based digital voice encode and decode system that would not require any proprietary firmware as is found in most other current digital voice systems. And as you can hear, even in this Internet-only QSO being held by two hams half a world apart, the quality is quite extraordinary. Likely on a par with all the systems available to hams today. Listen as ZL3IN describes his current career to VE9QRP:

Codec 2 audio Hear it by downloading the MP3 version of this weeks newscast at www.wia.org.au

More about Codec 2 is on-line at Codec2.org

The complete QSO between VE9QRP and ZL3IN is at tinyurl.com/codec2video

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International Marconi Day

International Marconi Day takes place this year on Saturday 30th April. Here in Ireland the Howth Martello Radio Group will be participating once again as an award station using the call-sign EI0MAR.

EI7JC Aian Noone IRTS News has details

"This is not a contest but there are several nice awards available for working the officially listed stations, each of which has an historic connection with Marconi.

The event is organised by the Cornish Amateur Radio Club.

For more information please visit the club's website
http://crac.g4usb.net/cracblog/.

EI0MAR operates from the Martello Tower overlooking the East Pier in Howth. The tower now houses a vintage radio museum. In 1905 the British Post Office carried out wireless telegraphy experiments at the tower in Howth using Marconi equipment.

Visitors are always welcome at the museum and the group hopes to see many visitors during the IMG event in April. The HMRG's website is www.ei0mar.org where a free information booklet in PDF format can be downloaded.

The North Cork Radio Group are pleased to announce that they will be active from the Marconi Signal Station at Goleen, Mizen Head, West Cork, where Marconi sent many of his first test transmissions to America.

Further details will be posted nearer the event, however, please pencil the day free if you'd like to attend or work the station. The Official call sign for the event will be EI-0-IMD and it is hoped we will be excepted on the official International Marconi Day Awards Program.

EI7JC Aidan Noone IRTS News."

MEDIA WATCH
www.cq-amateur-radio.com/WorldRadio.html
VK Club Bulletins http://groups.yahoo.com/group/aarnie/

Another look at Amateur Radio magazine

Themed this month is the WIA Centenary Year in Review. A striking composite front cover design, inside-back cover display and a review of the 100th anniversary celebrations.

The comprehensive article captures the essence of the year-long celebration which included a special callsign and the Centenary Award. A highlight was the AGM, which included the day at Dick Smith's wonderful country retreat.

The article discusses the planning and execution of the many events that were part of the celebrations. Well worth a read.

Looking ahead, the Darwin Amateur Radio Club President Spud Murphy VK8ZWM welcomes everyone to the WIA Annual Conference to be held in May this year. Get your bookings in now.

In technical articles this month is one entitled 'Delta loops and Quad loops and inverted vee dipoles' presented by Felix Scerri VK4FUQ, must be read by those who use this type of antenna or are just thinking about it. Felix VK4FUQ first got into Delta Loops some 20-years ago so has plenty of experience and knowledge too share.

Also on the technical side is included Building an 80 metre SSB kit radio by Lyle Wyatt VK5WL and the ubiquitous SDR - A different sort of radio explained from Hans Smit VK5YX.

Amateur Radio magazine, a WIA membership service, and also available at selected newsagents.

I'm Barry Robinson VK3PV and you're listening to VK1WIA.

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS - VHF AND ABOVE

Today in VK4 is the already-announced SouthEast Queensland Microwave Day, (6th of March)

Doug Friend, VK4OE PRESIDENT of the Brisbane VHF Group says they want to enable as many folk as possible, amateurs and non-amateurs, to be able to go and see microwave amateur radio in action.

"Starting just after completion of callbacks to the WIA and QNEWS broadcasts, you should find a group of us using several bands on Mt Gravatt on Brisbane's south side, or to Kevin VK4WA's place (several bands operational) at Redbank Plains in the West, or further West to John VK4JMC's place at Laidley on 1296 and 2403 MHz. On the North side of Brisbane, you can catch up with Roy, VK4ZQ who will be portable with several microwave bands. Further North again, Adrian VK4OX will be operational on 2.4 GHz from Maleny, and Wayne VK4WS will have a number of bands operational from Howell's Knob also near Maleny.

Operating with low power on 5.7 and 10.3 GHz to the East of Brisbane (yes, East!) should be Peter VK4EA on the beach at Moreton Island, an unusual and potentially interesting contact for many to make.

Primary liaison is expected to be via the VHF Group's 'RBN repeater on 147 MHz, so this repeater will be active on that morning.

Anyone can go to any of these locations to experience the ways of operating, the challenges and the intense fun of microwave amateur radio."

So again for all the latest, check in on 147.000 in Brisbane after the news!

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GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 6th March 2011

The news headlines:

* Hands-On Experience for National Science Week

* 2011 Dayton Hamvention Awards announced

* New Train the Trainers at Renton

The subject for National Science Week 2011 is Communications. To support the Week, Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is providing hands-on experience of amateur radio at a local school as well as to the community at large. On Saturday 12 March Sheffield ARC will be at Tapton School at Crosspool, Sheffield, from 10am to approximately 4pm. Using two temporary radio stations and aerials, they will put the school on the air for the day using the club callsign GX3RCM/P. Then on Monday 14 March the club will be holding an open house from 7.30 to 9.30pm at their HQ, Sheffield Transport Sports Club, Greenhill Main Road, Meadowhead Roundabout, Sheffield S8. The evening will include demonstrations of short wave and VHF/UHF amateur radio including HF, VHF satellite communications, datamodes and the state of the art D-Star repeater system. In addition there will be a display of equipment, amateur radio videos and printed information. More details at http://krystynahaywood.co.uk/sarc. Also for National Science Week, Sands Contest Group is operating from Heron Corn Mill in Cumbria and will be active on 16 & 17 March using the callsign GB4HCM. The group will be active on 20, 40 and 80m between 10am and 4pm each day. Activity will be on SSB and data modes and there will be a number of interactive displays. For more information visit GB4HCM on QRZ.com.

The winners of the 2011 Dayton Hamvention awards have been announced. Amongst the various awards, the Technical Excellence Award went to Roy Lewallen, W7EL for his development of EZNEC, the antenna modelling software system. This software is now the basis for numerous amateur radio antenna training courses. The Special Achievement Award goes to Fred Lloyd, AA7BQ, who developed the QRZ.com website that is used by amateurs worldwide.

A Train the Trainers day is being organised for 19 March at the Carman Centre, Renton. The purpose of the Train the Trainers course is to offer tutors some guidance on running courses and teaching techniques.

If you are interested in attending, please contact GM0ONX by e-mail to GM0ONX@rsgb.org.uk or call 01563 534383. The course will start at 10am and finish around 6pm.

The YL International Meet 2012 will take place in Adelaide in May 2012. Those interested in attending, whether licensed or not, should check out the website www.ylinternational2012.com for full details. The plan is for delegates to arrive in Adelaide around 3 May. Over the next few days several tours and outings are planned that will culminate in a 7 or 9 day tour ending in either Alice Springs or Darwin.

If you are planning to visit Cyprus this year, the Pafos Radio Club would like to welcome you. They meet on the 3rd Thursday of each month at the Pafos Gardens Hotel at 7pm. They also have a weekly net on Wednesdays at 7.30pm using the local repeater, 5B4PRC, on 145.750MHz. More details from Don, 5B4AGQ.

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And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

Bournemouth Radio Society is holding their 23rd annual sale today, Sunday 6 March, at The Kinson Community Centre, Millams Road, Bournemouth. Doors open at 9.30am and the sale closes at 2.30pm. Admission is £1.50. Refreshments will be available. Further details by email from tonyg3ywg@gmail.com.

The Exeter Radio & Electronics Rally will take place today, 6 March, at America Hall, De la Rue Way, Pinhoe, Exeter, EX4 8PW. Doors open at 10.30am, with disabled access from 10.15. Admission is £2. There will be trade stands and a Bring & Buy. All profits from the event are shared between GB3SW, GB3EW and GB3EX, the local 2m and 70cm repeaters. Contact Pete, G3ZVI on 07714 198374.

On 12 March the Dutch National Radio Flea Market will take place at "Autotron", Rosmalen 's- Hertogenbosch, just off the A59 motorway. Doors open from 9am to 3.30pm and talk-in is available on 145.250MHz. Check out www.radiovlooienmarkt.nl for more details.

On 13 March, Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club Rally will be held at Wood Green Animal Shelter, King's Bush Farm, A1198 London Road, Godmanchester, Cambs PE29 2NH. Doors open at 10am and admission is £3. There will be trade stands and a Bring & Buy. Contact John, G0GKP, on 01954 200072.

Also on 13 March, the 26th Wythall RC Radio and Computer Rally will be held at Woodrush Sports Centre, Shawhurst Lane, Hollywood, Birmingham B47 5JW. The venue is on the A435, 2 miles from J3 of the M42. Entry is £2 and there will be trade stands and a Bring & Buy. Contact Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

Now for the news of special events

GB1OOD has been issued for 2011 by Ofcom as a special event callsign. It will be used throughout 2011 to celebrate the 100 years of the Derby Wireless Club, founded in 1911. Until 25 March the station will be operating from the Silk Mill Museum located in the city centre of Derby, alongside the River Derwent. The station will have restricted operation mostly at weekends due to the museum's opening hours. Information on GB1OOD can be found on QRZ.com.

GB1IMW will be on the air from Mepal & Witcham Primary School, Mepal near Ely in Cambridgeshire. The operation is part of the children's study and participation in National Science Week for Communications from 14 to 18 March, including 'Red Nose Day'. They will be operating nationally on 80m and 40m HF and locally on 2m, 6m and 70cm. The organisers ask that amateurs please do answer the children's CQs.

Between 13 March and 3 April GB8HBW and GB0CMR will be on the air celebrating 85 years of Hospital Radio in the UK. GB8HBW will be operating in the Newbury area and GB0CMR is in Hinckley for Castle Mead Radio.

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And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

Four stations will be active from Port Blair in the Andamans from 15 to 31 March. Details are on the web at http://arsi.info/dxpeditions/vu4pb-mar-2011.

Frosty, K5LBU, and Wayne, W5KDJ, are heading to Lesotho as 7P8CF and 7P8KDJ from 11 to 20 March. Plans are to have two stations for activity on 160 through 10m on CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK.

Nick, G3RWF, will be returning to Uganda from 20 February until 14 April. This is not a DXpedition as he will be doing voluntary work at a university, but will include plenty of operating as 5X1NH on 80 through 10m. He does not have room for a 160 metre antenna.

SP5EAQ and SP5DRH will operate from West Kiribati from 1 to 17 March. Calls will be T30AQ and T30RH. They'll be on 160 to 10m CW, SSB and RTTY, with a focus on the low bands and 30m.

Now the contest news

The ARRL International DX Contest takes place this weekend, 5 and 6 March, between 0000 and 2359UTC. Work W/VE stations only, in as many of the 48 contiguous States and Provinces as possible. Send a signal report and your transmitter power and expect to receive a signal report and 2-letter State or 3-letter Province code.

Monday 7 March sees the data leg of the 80m Club Championship taking place between 2000 and 2130UTC. The exchange is signal report and serial number.

The following day, 8 March, is the 432MHz UK Activity Contest from 2000 to 2230UTC. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial

number and locator.

The Commonwealth Contest takes place for 24 hours on 12 and 13 March from 1000 to 1000UTC. This is a contest that only takes place between Commonwealth countries, so it is largely free of Continental European stations. Infrequently activated countries always appear in this contest and, without the mega pile-ups that occur in many other worldwide contests, the owner of a modest station in Britain stands a decent chance of working some real DX. Be aware though that some DX openings are very short, so it helps to know when to look for particular areas, especially on the upper HF bands. The exchange is signal report and serial number.

Finally for this week, 13 March sees the 2nd 70MHz Cumulative contest taking place from 1000 to 1200UTC. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

And now the solar factual data for the period from the 21st to the 27th of February, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on the 28th of February.

Solar activity was mostly low with a number of C class solar flares taking place. Activity increased to moderate when the only M class solar flare took place on the 24th. Conversely, on the 22nd solar activity declined to very low levels. None of the solar flares had any significant effect on propagation. Solar flux levels declined from 97 units on the 21st to 88 by the 25th. The average was 91 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 27th was 87 units. That's one unit up on last week. X-ray flux levels varied little day to day and averaged B2.2 units. Geomagnetic activity was quiet every day. The most disturbed day was the 21st

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with an Ap index of 7 units. The average was only Ap 3 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds decline from 450 kilometres per second on the 21st to 300 by the 26th. Particle densities were low throughout. Bz varied no more than minus and plus 6 nanoTeslas during the period.

And now the solar forecast. This week the active side of the Sun is expected to rotate into view on or around the 6th of March. A lot will depend on how active the returning region is after spending the last two weeks on the far side of the Sun. Remember, this is the group that produced numerous M and one X class solar flares on its last rotation. Solar activity should be low with a chance that activity could increase higher than that. Solar flux levels are expected to be about the 100 mark or even higher. Geomagnetic activity should be quiet, however, if any large solar flares take place and a coronal mass ejection that is heading our way, then activity could increase. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be about 22MHz for the south and 19MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be around 9MHz. Paths this week to the east coast of North America should have a maximum usable

frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 20MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 15MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 1400 and 1900 hours.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

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Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your

transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS On Monday 7 March Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is having a talk on marine VHF radio by Ian Hewer, G4CLR. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548478, daytime.

On Monday 7 March Leicester Radio Society is launching its new website, http://g3lrs.co.uk. Details from Alex, G8FCQ, on 0753 120 1640.

On Monday 7 March South Birmingham Radio Society is on the air and reviewing field day. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Monday 7 March South Normanton Alfreton & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a junk sale. Details from A Lawrence, 2E0BQS, by email to adylawri@btinternet.com.

On Tuesday 8 March Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 8 March Eagle Radio Group is having pictorial presentation of a year in the life of the Eagle Radio Group by Nevil, G3VDV. Details from Terry, G0SWS, on 01507 478590.

On Tuesday 8 March Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on portable 2m antennas by Art, G3KWY. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Tuesday 8 March Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a Hamfest committee meeting. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Wednesday 9 March Hinckley Amateur Radio Society is having a workshop on digital modes. Details from John, M0JAV, on 07836 731544.

On Wednesday 9 March Lincoln Short-Wave Club is having a pictorial presentation on the National Hamfest by Chris, G0IPO. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

On Wednesday 9 March Midland Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting and training classes. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 01214 229 787.

On Wednesday 9 March Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is holding its main construction competition. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday 10 March South Birmingham Radio Society is having training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

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On Friday 11 March Coventry Amateur Radio Society is having a construction night for Project 2011. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777363.

On Friday 11 March Hucknall Rolls Royce Amateur Radio Club is having a general club meeting. More information from Dave Wilde, G1YAI, on 0844 4355593.

On Friday 11 March Nunsfield House Amateur Radio Group is having a talk on the prevention of terrorism by Julie Coulton from Derbyshire Constabulary. Details from Ken Frankcom, G3OCA, on 01332 720976.

On Friday 11 March South Birmingham Radio Society is loading the trailer with gear for the Wythall rally. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Saturday 12 March Lincoln Short-Wave Club is in the shack and invites members to try WABing. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

On Sunday 13 March Hucknall Rolls Royce Amateur Radio Club is having a foxhunt on foot in Bestwood Country Park. More information from Dave Wilde, G1YAI, on 0844 4355593.

On Sunday 13 March Midland Amateur Radio Society Club is visiting the Wythall Radio Rally. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 01214 229 787.

On Sunday 13 March South Birmingham Radio Society is at the Wythall Radio Rally. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND On Sunday 6 March Macclesfield & District Radio Society is having a mobile DXing meet at Pym Chair. More information from Roger Bell, M0GMG, on 0771 258 9163.

On Monday 7 March Macclesfield & District Radio Society is on the air. More information from Roger Bell, M0GMG, on 0771 258 9163.

On Monday 7 March Scarborough Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on Earth measurements by Dave Smith, G4DAX. Details from Jerry Scarr, G6LBL, on 01751 476601.

On Monday 7 March Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having a social evening plus club contest night. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 7 March Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. Details on the web at www.tcars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 8 March Chester & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. Details from Barbara Green on 07957 870770.

On Tuesday 8 March Otley Amateur Radio Society is having a DXpedition presentation. Contact Paul, 2E0PAK, on 07768 996370.

On Wednesday 9 March Grimsby Amateur Radio Society is having a visit by the RSGB Region 4 Representative. Contact Cliff, G4YHP, on 01472 328 830.

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On Wednesday 9 March Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on Heathrow communications. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240573.

On Wednesday 9 March Mid-Cheshire Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. Contact Peter Paul Fox, G8HAV, on 01606 553401.

On Thursday 10 March Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 0787 608 5631.

On Thursday 10 March South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having a talk on Papua New Guinea by Bill, G4NOL. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 0161 969 3999.

On Friday 11 March East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is on the air. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND On Sunday 6 March Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club has its monthly meeting. Details by email from cqmuarc@gmail.com.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday 8 March Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having an operating evening. Details from Norman, on 07740 946192.

On Wednesday 9 March Ayr Amateur Radio Group is having a presentation on Bletchley Park. Details from Tom Ferguson, GM1OST, on 01292 532 088.

On Wednesday 9 March Lothians Radio Society is having a talk on getting started on 70cm and 23cm by Ray James, GM4CXM. Contact Andy Sinclair, by email to lrs_secretary@moosedata.com.

On Wednesday 9 March West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society is having homebrew projects & licence training by the Solder Group. More information from Fred Coombes, 2M0BIN, on 01415 715512.

On Thursday 10 March Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is on the air and holding Morse practice. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663.

On Friday 11 March Borders Amateur Radio Society is having a club night and junk sale. Details from Danny, 2M0CDO, on 01890 882850.

On Friday 11 March West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society is having presentations, guest speakers, a quiz and a raffle. More information from Fred Coombes, 2M0BIN, on 01415 715512.

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NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA On Sunday 6 March Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club Sunday is having a breakfast meeting in Goring. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816684.

On Monday 7 March Braintree & District Amateur Radio Society is having four short talks by club members. For more information contact John, M5AJB, on 01787 460 947.

On Monday 7 March Burnham Beeches Radio Club is holding its AGM. Contact Dave, G4XDU, on 01628 625 720.

On Monday 7 March Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the RSGB Data Club Contest. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898678.

On Monday 7 March Southdown Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on clouds to rain by John Flude. Details from John, G3DQY, on 01424 424 319.

On Monday 7 March Surrey Radio Contact Club is holding a surplus sale. Contact John, G3MCX, on 020 8688 3322.

On Tuesday 8 March Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is having a club net night. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Tuesday 8 March Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society invites members to bring their own radio equipment along. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Tuesday 8 March Harwell Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on Smith Charts by Ron, G7DOE. Contact Malcolm, G8NRP, on 01235 524844.

On Wednesday 9 March Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting at Danbury Village Hall. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Wednesday 9 March Harwich Amateur Radio Interest Group is having a talk on model trains by John G3YYZ. Details from Kevan, 2E0WMG, on 07766 543784.

On Wednesday 9 March Havering & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on top tips for working DX stations by Fred Curtis, G3SVK. Details from John, M0UKD, on 07890 222111.

On Wednesday 9 March Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on DIY digital aerial photography by John Goldsmith, M6JAU. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898678.

On Wednesday 9 March South Essex Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on life as a ship's radio officer by Dave, G4AJY. Contact Norman, M0FZW, on 01268 692776.

On Wednesday 9 March Southgate Amateur Radio Club is holding its spring junk sale. Contact David Sharp, M0XDS, by email to david.sharp1@tesco.net.

On Wednesday 9 March Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is having a discussion evening. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816684.

On Thursday 10 March Bittern DX Group is having an informal club meeting. Details from Linda, G0AJJ, on 01692 404154.

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On Thursday 10 March Echelford Amateur Radio Society is holding its construction contest. Contact John, G4GSC, on 01784 451898.

On Thursday 10 March Edgware & District Radio Society is having part 2 of the presentation on the secret wireless war. More information from Mike, G4RNW, on 0208 950 0658.

On Thursday 10 March King's Lynn Amateur Radio Club is having a club night and 2m club net. Contact Ray, G3RSV, by email to ral-g3rsv@supanet.com.

On Thursday 10 March Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is holding a junk and table top sale. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564242.

On Thursday 10 March Reading & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the weather balloon telemetry project by Daniel Richman, 2E0DRX and colleagues. Details from Pete, G8FRC, on 01189 695 697.

On Thursday 10 March Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is holding its AGM. Details from David, G8UOD, on 01234 742 757.

On Friday 11 March Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having a rally planning evening. Details from Ron Huntsman, on 012233 501712.

On Friday 11 March Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society is having a committee presentation on the club's first 50 years. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 020 8502 1645.

On Friday 11 March Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on earthing, radials and PME by Peter, G4AKG. Contact Peter, G4AKG, on 01444 239371.

On Friday 11 March Radio Society of Harrow is having a talk and demo of the Excalibur software defined receiver by Brian, G3YKB. More information from Linda, G7RJL, on 0208 386 8586.

On Friday 11 March Wimbledon & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air and holding Foundation training. Contact Andrew Maish, G4ADM, on 020 8335 3434.

On Sunday 13 March Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its rally. Details from Ron, G3KBR, on 01223 501712.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST On Tuesday 8 March Mid Somerset Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the GB3JB & GB3WX repeaters by Dave, G3ZXX. Contact Nick, M6NJB, on 01749 346320.

On Wednesday 9 March Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417048.

On Thursday 10 March South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is watching the South Atlantic DXpedition video with Adrian, 2E0JUW. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695471.

On Thursday 10 March Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its construction contest. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317750.

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On Thursday 10 March Yeovil Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on tracking satellites by G3RTD. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk.

On Friday 11 March Mid Somerset Amateur Radio Club is visiting Rampisham Transmitting Station. Contact Nick, M6NJB, on 01749 346320.

On Friday 11 March North Bristol Amateur Radio Club is having a construction evening. Contact Dick, on 01454 218362.

On Friday 11 March Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

On Saturday 12 March Cornish Radio Amateur Club is running its Foundation course. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844939.

NEWS FOR WALES On Monday 7 March Dragon Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on feeding antennas by Simon Poyser, MW0GSR, of the Snowdonia Radio Company. More information from Stewart Rolfe, GW0ETF, on 07833 620733.

On Monday 7 March Llanelli Amateur Radio Society is on the air as GB4SD. Contact Craig, MW0MXT, on 01269 840292.

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247. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2011-005E - Results of the 2010 IARU HF World Championship.

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The results links are availlable at:
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Thanks to Dave Sumner, K1ZZ for the information.

Forwarded by:
Daniel A. Lamoureux, VE2KA
Vice-President International Affairs,
Radio Amateurs of Canada

Bulletin de RAC 2011-005F R�sultats du IARU HF Worl Championship 2010.

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Merci � Dave Sumner, K1ZZ pour l'information.

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248. SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 06 MARCH 2011

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SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 06 MARCH 2011

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'ARMI' and follow the links for details. PLEASE NOTE: for audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail. Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 and 3,695 MHz SSB.

SILENT KEYS

It is with deep regret that the passing of two radio amateurs must be announced.

The key of Bernardus van Heerden, ZR3BVH, went silent on 20 February 2011. We extend our condolences to his family and friends.

The key of Dennis Shannon, ZS6JDS, went silent at 05:00 on 23 February 2011. Dennis had been ill for some time. We extend our condolences to his wife Carol, family and friends.

(PAUSE)

In the news today

CPUT TO BUILD S-BAND TRANSMITTER FOR UK SATELLITE

SARL COUNCIL TO MEET THIS WEEK

UK RADIO AMATEUR GETS FUNDING TO STUDY DIGITAL EMCOMM SYSTEMS FOR RAYNET

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting news items.

CPUT TO BUILD S-BAND TRANSMITTER FOR UK SATELLITE

The Cape Peninsula University of Technology has been invited by the UK to build an S-band transmitter for the first satellite to be launched by the UK Space Agency in December 2011. UKube1 is an exciting and novel collaboration between the UK Space Agency, industry and academia, and is envisaged as the pilot for a full UK CubeSat programme.

Strathclyde University, who are coordinating the project, approached CPUT to build the transmitter. A similar unit is already under construction at CPUT for its own 3U CubeSat.

Can South Africa build its own satellite launch facility?

Naledi Pandor, Minister of Science and Technology, at the SANSA launch said that South Africa will take the satellite launch facility which was constructed for the Greensat project many years ago out of the mothballs and develop it into a modern day launch facility. This however is a long term project. Now an entrepreneur, Mark Comninos, formed a company Marcom Aeronautics and Space with the express purpose of bringing to market a two stage expendable launch vehicle the "CHEETAH-1 CSLV", aimed at reducing South Africa's dependence on foreign launch services and provide accommodating satellite launch services for the global satellite industry.

Mark will be one of the main speakers at the SA AMSAT Space Symposium which will be held at Vodaworld on 2 April 2011. Amongst the other speakers are Dr Sandile Malinga the CEO of SANSA, and the two SA AMSAT CubeSat project leaders John Willescroft and Hannes Coetzee, as well as Dr. L.J. du Toit of EMSS Antennas, the company responsible for the development, production, commissioning and factory support of the KAT-7 receivers. For details and to book visit www.amsatsa.org.za. Make use of the early bird discount. Special rates are offered for SARL and SA AMSAT Members.

SARL COUNCIL TO MEET THIS WEEK

The council of the SARL meets this week for the annual strategy session to plan for the year ahead. This is the only time council members meet face to face as all other meetings are conducted via teleconference. The outcome of the meeting and plans for the next year are presented at the AGM in the annual report which will also be available on line at the time of the Annual General Meeting.

UK RADIO AMATEUR GETS FUNDING TO STUDY DIGITAL EMCOMM SYSTEMS FOR RAYNET

A member of The United Kingdom's Radio Amateurs' Emergency Network or RAYNET has received two months' funding to examine how that group could best use data communications to support police and other services.

Howard Winter, G1BYY, a member of Mid-Herts RAYNET, made an application to the Vodafone World of Difference Scheme in November. According to the RSGB News, Winter will spend two months undertaking his own research and experimentation, collating the work that has already been done by RAYNET Groups and comparing the experiences of members experimenting with data. He will then be producing documents that will nationally be available to groups of all affiliations.

An increasing demand from emergency response services using RAYNET to have it provide data links has led many groups to experimenting on a variety of digital systems. RAYNET members are now using APRS to track

vehicles responding to incidents in remote locations, transmitting photographs from the scenes of emergencies and sending data files back to their control and command centres.

VHF ACTIVITY ON THE INCREASE

Several radio amateurs in the Johannesburg and Cape Town areas have started to experiment with SSB on 2 metre. Recently they decided to also use 144,200 MHz SSB as the country-wide calling frequency. This frequency has been in use for a number of years by division 2 and 5 stations and many contacts have been made on SSB. If you are only equipped with FM then try 144,400 MHz the FM DX channel. Very long distance contacts have been made on this frequency from the east coast of the RSA to Reunion Island on both FM and SSB and over land from Richards Bay to Port Elizabeth. Amateurs in Port Elizabeth monitor this FM channel from 19:30 CAT until 20:00 CAT for stations in Mosselbay and East London. At 20:00 CAT they change frequency to 144,200 MHz SSB for longer distances to Durban and beyond.

Likewise there has been a revival of interest in the 6 metre band too. Quite a number of stations became active again in Cape Town, Johannesburg, Durban and Port Elizabeth using the frequency of 50,200 MHz SSB.

To get the best long distance results on VHF you should use around 100 Watt and a high gain horizontally polarized Yagi beam antenna with a LNA.

CONTEST NEWS

Sunday 6 March 2011 - SARL Hamnet 40 m Simulated Emergency Contest. This SSB Contest is open to all Radio Amateurs in South Africa, Namibia, Botswana, Zimbabwe, Swaziland, Mozambique, Lesotho, Marion Island and South African Antarctica. Only contacts with these areas will count. The contest will run from 12:00 to 14:00 UTC. Participate as a Single operator stationary mobile; Single operator portable; Multi-operator portable or Single operator base station.

Saturday 12 March 2011 - SARL March Madness YL Sprint. This is a fun activity to celebrate International Women's Day (8 March) between radio amateurs in Southern African countries. Call "YL Sprint." The Sprint will run from 09:00 to 10:00 UTC. The exchange is a RS report and YL or OM.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is at moderate levels. Sunspots continue to pop up in various locations on the sun. Currently Sunspot 1 164 in the north and 1 166, which rotated into view on the eastern limb, remain the largest regions. A new sunspot that formed between 1 164 and 1 166 was numbered 1 167. The effective sunspot number is expected to be around 65 for the coming week.

15 m will provide the best opportunities for DX followed by 20 m. Conditions to India will be good from the afternoon till after sunset. During the afternoons conditions will be good towards Europa on 15 m, later to be followed by good 20 m openings. Good 15 m contacts with the USA are possible during the evenings. Contacts with Australia are possible on 20 m after sunset. 15 and especially 20 m openings to Brazil and South America are possible during the afternoons. With the good 15 and 20 m openings 17 m will also be full of surprises. With the higher sunspot activity 10 m may also show signs of life around mid day.

For the CW and digital enthusiasts 30 m may be very rewarding with openings to many parts of the world.

Locally 40 m is the work horse for contacts around the country with 20 and 30 m also being very useful for contacts over the longer distances. 80 m will be best during the early mornings and late afternoons as well as over the shorter distances.

80 m is the frequency of choice during the evenings.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

6 March - SARL Hamnet 40 Metre Simulated Emergency Contest will be run from 12:00 to 14:00 UTC. 12 March - SARL March Madness YL Sprint from 09:00 till 10:00 UTC. 19 March - RTA, Programming in Windows course in Cape Town, book at www.sarl.org.za. 25 March - SAiSAT briefing session at the NARC. 2 April - SA AMSAT Space Symposium at Vodaworld, book at www.amsatsa.org.za. 15-16 April - SARL National Convention at Vaal University for Technology.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 560 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'ARMI' and follow the links. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 22:05 CAT on 3 215 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by George, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening, 73.
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www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp.

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06-MARCH-2011
NZART Website: http://www.nzart.org.nz/home/

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Message from Break-In Editor
"The Break-In Editor John Walker ZL3IB has advised that he is assuming
Break-In will be published as usual although it maybe slightly late. He
would be grateful if columnists and others could get their copy to him no
later than the usual deadline which is 10th March."

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>From The Business Manager ZL2DL
Debby says...
Election results, will be advised to all candidates by the Returning Officer
on at approximately 6pm on Monday 21st after which they will be placed on
the NZART official web site.

Remits will be published in the March/April Break In. For those branches who
have made their remits known to other members, when considering the remits,

please remember that the number that you may be discussing will not be the Remit number that is assigned in Break In.

There are 13 remits in total, therefore I have had to renumber them in consequential order.

It's now time for all branches to be considering recipients of awards:

Amateur of the year, Young Amateur of the Year, and Arthur Godfrey Memorial Award.

Criteria for these awards are attached to this issue of HQ Info-line. Nominees names must be received here at HQ before 1 May 2011.

Talk soon...Debby ZL2DL

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FMTAG Notes For March 2011 HQ Infoline 225
Please click HERE to go to the FMTAG Applications Being Processed

Proposals
Published in HQ Infoline and on the NZART website, inviting comments from members.

1.. Branch 74 Wellington VHF has applied to relocate its 2 metre Bulletin Board to Ngaio Reservoir, Topo50 map reference BQ31 494.92 316.02. An Engineering Evaluation, in accordance with the MED's Radio Licence Certification Rules (PIB38), shows that the transmit frequency can remain on 146.025 MHz and the receive frequency can remain on 146.625 MHz, and that there will be no interference to other stations.
2.. Branch 74 Wellington VHF has applied to relocate its 70 centimetre Bulletin Board to Ngaio Reservoir, Topo50 map reference BQ31 494.92 316.02. An Engineering Evaluation, in accordance with the MED's Radio Licence Certification Rules (PIB38), shows that the transmit frequency can remain on 434.875 MHz and the receive frequency can remain on 439.875 MHz, and that there will be no interference to other stations.
3.. Branch 74 Wellington VHF has applied to change the frequency of the 70 centimetre repeater located at Ngaio Reservoir, Topo50 map reference BQ31 494.92 316.02. The transmit frequency will be 434.550 MHz and the receive frequency will be 439.550 MHz. An Engineering Evaluation, in accordance with the MED's Radio Licence Certification Rules (PIB38), shows that there will be no interference to other stations.
Final Recommendations To NZART Council
None this month.

Comments and Applications
Please send your comments and suggestions on the above matters and recommendations, and on any other FMTAG matters, by e-mail to: fmtag@nzart.org.nz

Applications for repeaters, beacons, digipeaters, point-to-point links, and so on, should be made on the latest version of FMTAG Form 10. The latest versions of FMTAG Form 10, and the explanatory Form 10A, are available on

the NZART web site:
http://www.nzart.org.nz/nzart/fmtag/

Completed forms should be sent by e-mail to fmtag@nzart.org.nz

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Christchurch Earthquake 22-February-2011
There has been messages from amateur radio societies and individuals around the world. Please see these on the February news page at:
http://www.nzart.org.nz/news/2011-news/feb-2011-news/

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Rescue Radio:
The Christchurch New Zealand Earthquake Story Continues
Ham radio continues to be an important factor in rescue and recovery efforts in the wake of the earthquake that hit Christchurch, New Zealand, on Tuesday, February 22nd. Jim Meachen, ZL2BHF, is several hundred miles to the North in Auckland with the latest:

ZL4FZ: "At this stage were still extensively supporting the Land SAR operation that's the more major component. Today with 300 searchers in the field we have deployed probably 50 radios to teams of operators and each of those teams has each got its own radios. There are about an actual 250 staff on foot in the field and all of that communications is coming back through AREC"

That's Richard Smart, ZL4FZ, who is head of the Amateur Radio Emergency Communications team explaining the role that his emergency communications group is currently playing in the aftermath of the 6.3 earthquake. A quake that as of airtime is believed responsible for at least 160 deaths and scores of injuries in and around the Christchurch area. According to Smart ham radio was on scene from the time the quake hit and right though the present:

ZL4FZ: "AREC involvement in the Christchurch earthquake has been to support Civil Defence directly with the welfare centers, initially at the temporary welfare center in Hagley Park. (This is) a small tent city where AREC provided effectively a complete communications terminal right through to the extensive support for the Land SAR operation which has been visiting every home in the Western suburb of Christchurch. To date a total of some eighteen thousand homes have been visited by the Land SAR teams and the AREC teams have provided communications for upward of 300 volunteers in the field at any one time."

Smart tells Amateur Radio Newsline that it's the ability of hams to quickly adapt and respond to any emergency that masks them valuable in situations such as this. He also says that those in charge of relief efforts are very satisfied with the AREC ham radio operations:

ZL4FZ: "I believe in this case that AREC has managed to provide a solution to unforeseen communications difficulties, and in the case of the Land SAR deployment particularly because it has become a linchpin to allow the operation to work.

"We have been told by the senior management for the Land SAR operation that basically it would not have been possible to achieve what they have achieved which is spectacular in its own right, without the assistance of AREC in that role."

So what role will AREC play as recovery efforts continue? ZL4FZ says that at this moment its hard to say:

ZL4FZ: "Its very difficult to tell at this stage and the difficulty is that there a number of significant issues that the city is facing and there are a number of agencies involved, obviously with specializations in different areas. One of the things the Civil Defence emergency management teams are working on is setting the appropriate team for the tasks that they have. And at this stage, while this tasking is drawing nearer to a close, we are waiting word as to what the next tasking may be."

The story of the Christchurch earthquake and the part being played by ham radio in post quake recovery efforts is far from over and we will have more for you in future Amateur Radio Newsline reports. From Auckland, on the North Island of New Zealand, I'm Jim Meachen, ZL2BHF, reporting for the Amateur Radio Newsline.

It has to be noted that so far, this has been a VHF only operation. Word from the New Zealand Association of Radio Transmitters is that hams providing communications support in the aftermath of the quake are using only 2 meter FM. No High Frequency communications into and out of the Christchurch area has been found to be necessary.

(ARNewslineT, ZL2BHF, ZL4FZ)

The MP3 version of this text is available on the NZART Web as is a link to Amateur Radio Newsline. Please see:
http://www.nzart.org.nz/h-quarter/broadcasts/

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Proposed Changes to 27 MHz Amateur Band
NZART's submission on this topic can be found at:
http://www.nzart.org.nz/council/policies/2011-rsm-cb-gul-review/

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VHF Convention
Wellington ï¿½ Easter 2011
The Wellington VHF Group invites you to attend the VHF Convention to be held in Wellington during Easter, 22nd ï¿½ 24th April, 2011, at Tawa College in Tawa. Come and enjoy Lonely Planetï¿½s 4th top city in the world to visit in 2011 and see for yourself why Wellington is the ï¿½Coolest Little Capital in the World".

On this occasion, the Convention is being held in conjunction with the annual Wellington Radio Expo - Wellington Expo-11. The Official Opening will be after lunch on Saturday 23rd April to enable out of towners and locals to fossick through the treasures at the Expo that will be seeking new homes.

VHF Convention offers a great programme for both the newcomer and the experienced Ham, and will include an exciting mix of speakers and events including technical presentations, VHF Forum, ATV, Satellites, Special Interest Groups and a forum for Repeater and Beacon Trustees and National System Trustee.

The nearest motel is Aotea Lodge, near the Police College and there are 6+ other motels in Porirua, none more than 5-10 minutes drive and 3+ in Johnsonville, 4-5 minutes drive from Tawa.

The cost will be $50 per person attending the Convention - includes afternoon tea on Saturday and morning tea/lunch/afternoon tea on Sunday. Arrangements are being made with a local restaurant for a pay as you go Dinner on Saturday night.Entry to the Wellington Expo-11 costs an additional $4.00, to be paid at the door.

More details on the programme will be published via Infoline as soon as they are finalised. Registration forms are available on the Wellington VHF Group website http://www.vhf.org.nz

Rob Wallace
Secretary
Wellington VHF Group
E-mail: rob@wallace.gen.nz

Registration Form
VHF CONVENTION ï¿½ Easter weekend 22-24 April 2011

Registration No. of
persons Cost
Each TOTAL
Cost
Convention
programme Includes morning tea, lunch and
afternoon teas as listed above.
(Does NOT include dinner Saturday
night). $50 $
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Please make your cheque payable to: ï¿½Wellington VHF Groupï¿½ and post this form with your payment to:

Convention Secretary, VHF Convention 2011, 8 Thomas Hook St, Tawa, Wellington 5028

An indication of numbers for Dinner on Saturday night would be helpful.

Dinner
Saturday night Approximately $25 per head payable
at the dinner venue.
Please indicate if you are interested.
Partners are welcome. Changes can
be made at time of registration Indicate
of
persons The venue and
payment for
dinner will be
confirmed at
Convention Registration

Information and Registration Form
http://www.nzart.org.nz/assets/infoline/2011/vhf-convention.pdf

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Report on Proposed Amateur Allocation Around 500 kHz
>From The ITU Conference Preparatory Meeting
for WRC-12 Geneva, 14-25 February 2011
I'm pleased to report that Document 175(Rev. 1) was adopted by Plenary this afternoon without meaningful comment or change. See attached. This completes the work of the CPM on Agenda Item 1.23.

Removal of the original Method A came about because there was no administration support for retaining it. Given that, it is just as well that it has been deleted in order to avoid confusion. I believe there is more support now for some form of amateur allocation below 487 kHz than there was at the beginning of the CPM.

Congratulations to all concerned and especially to Ken Pulfer.

Dave Sumner, K1ZZ

Full Report Available on The NZART Web at:
http://www.nzart.org.nz/assets/pdf/2011/R07-CPM11.pdf-96 kB

John Lochhead ZL4QS Overseas/IARU Liaison Officer

ITU = International Telecommunication Union
WRC = World Radio Conference
CPM = Conference Preparatory Meeting

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Scientists Warn of Solar ï¿½Katrinaï¿½
Author: Clive Cookson in Washington
Source: FINANCIAL TIMES - http://www.ft.com
Date Published: 20th February 2011

The Sun and its activity plays an important part in amateur radio. What the events, described below, will do with the propagation of our radio waves, we will have to wait and see. It looks serious. EDITOR

Excerpt:

'....The sun is waking up from a long quiet spell. Last week it sent out the strongest flare for four years ï¿½ and scientists are warning that earth should prepare for an intense electromagnetic storm that, in the worst case, could be a ï¿½global Katrinaï¿½ costing the world economy $2,000bn.

Senior officials responsible for policy on solar storms ï¿½ also known as space weather ï¿½ in the US, UK and Sweden urged more preparedness at the annual meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science in Washington.

ï¿½We have to take the issue of space weather seriously,ï¿½ said Sir John Beddington, UK chief scientist. ï¿½The sun is coming out of a quiet period, and our vulnerability has increased since the last solar maximum [around 2000].ï¿½.....'

To read the complete article see:

http://www.ft.com/cms/s/0/67444b2c-3d13-11e0-bbff-00144feabdc0.html?ftcamp=rss

(you must register (free) to see the full article EDITOR)

Regards

73 de ZL1GWE John

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Branch Data - The Information on NZART Branches and Affiliates
The format for advising the Call Book Editor about changes to Branch details has been changed to a more efficient CMS based system.

Please use the new form
http://www.nzart.org.nz/branches/branch-data/branch-list-report-form/
to advise changes to Branch details.

An update to the Branch list will be done early March and the old system of spreadsheet, Word document and pdf removed.

The new system has a menu 'BRANCH LIST MENU' and a simple database 'BRANCH LIST DATA'. The Branch List menu has a list of all NZART branches in alphabetical and branch number order. Branch List Data has 88 records with each record having 19 fields with the details of each branch.

For those that like their data in Excel format, instructions on how to convert the branch data is at:
http://www.nzart.org.nz/branches/branch-data/#conversion

Lorne ZL2AHB Call Book Editor E-mail: callbook@nzart.org.nz

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Web Update
Redesign of LINKS on The NZART Web
A complete redesign has taken place from the opening page to the

presentation of the links.

The links selection is now in two pages, broken into A to I and L to W. This allows descriptive menu names. The single letter has been removed and has been replaced with a name that relates to the main subject of the link. The name is shown on the opening page in a larger size bold type. Also you can see the other subjects that belong to the particular link with the separator between the names being the spade symbol.

In the level two menu, which is under the main menu, entries of L-W and A-I are found. These allow easy navigation between the two pages of the links section.

Also added is a menu heading of 'Feedback(1)'. Suggestions and notification of broken links can be done with very little effort.

A list of the links are clearly shown when a link page is opened, with the major list being closes to the Page Links menu column.

The Quick Navigation section on the bottom of each page, also shows the Links entries. I fitted it in where I could.

Have a LOOK: http://www.nzart.org.nz/links/

The Open Polytechnic is Using SilverStripe CMS
Just received the March Newsletter from Silverstripe and was surprised to see that the Open Polytechnic has gone live using SilverStripe for their CMS enrolment system. The Open Polytechnic is a distance-learning institute, with 25 000 students.
NZART is up with the big boys by using SilverStripe as its CMS!

Jamie Pye ZL2NN

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Kiwi Digital Modes Group
2011 VK/ZL RTTY SPRINT CONTEST
The third running of the Kiwi Digital Modes Group RTTY contest will take place in April 2011.

For full rules please see:
http://www.nzart.org.nz/activities/contest-rules/rules-kdmg/

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NZART Amateur of the Year Award Rules
Presented at NZART Annual Conference

Award to be made to the radio amateur who in the preceding 12 month calendar year (January to December) has given outstanding service to Amateur Radio.

Criteria
1.. Nominees must be active in more than one aspect of amateur radio and in these to have shown extraordinary service to their fellow amateurs,
2.. The nominee must be a current member of NZART, and

3.. The nominee should be unaware of the nominations.
Nominations
1.. Nominations to be made to the President of NZART (at current address) to reach the President by May 1st following the year under review,
2.. Nominations must be made through the Secretary of a Branch of NZART, and
3.. Points of "service rendered" must be tabulated and certified as correct by the Branch Chairman (except that two other officers would be accepted if the circumstances warrant) and these must refer only to the 12 month period under review. Through these, the reason why the nominee should be considered must be clearly evident.
The President will decide on the Award allocation reporting the result to Council immediately prior to the Annual General Meeting. It is possible that in some years no award would be made even though recommendations were received.

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NZART The Young Amateur of the Year Award Rules
To Recognise The Young Amateur of the Year

The Award Objectives
Objectives of the Award is for NZART (and a co-sponsor) to demonstrate and encourage interest in promoting technological awareness and education in the field of radio and electronics by involving young people in Amateur Radio and to focus the activities of our younger Amateur Radio operators into achieving excellence in all aspects of the hobby, both individually and within the fellowship that belonging to Amateur Radio brings.

Requirements to obtain The Young Amateur of the Year Award

The criteria for this award is:
1.. Nominee to be under 18 years of age at April 1 in the year of presentation,
2.. Nominee to have provided demonstrable service to Amateur Radio in any of the following areas of achievement:
3.. Assistance with NZART Branch or activity,
4.. Development of a significant project (hardware or software) for use in Amateur Radio, and
5.. Participation in projects associated with the promotion of Amateur Radio.
The recipient will be presented at NZART Conference with:
1.. A suitably endorsed framed certificate presented by NZART (and co-sponsor if applicable),
2.. A voucher for $100 to purchase books of the recipient's choice,
3.. One years free subscription to NZART,
4.. A presentation from any other Branch/Business/Individual who may wish from time to time, to co-sponsor the Award with NZART, and
5.. Payment of half registration to NZART Conference if the recipient attends.
6.. If no suitable nominations for the Young Amateur of the Year are received by April 1, no presentation will be made for that year,

7.. Nominations for this award should be sent by Branches or individuals along with "substantiating evidence", to the General Secretary of NZART by MAY 1st in the year of presentation, and
8.. The Young Amateur of the Year will be selected by a sub-committee appointed by Council.
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Arthur (Jumbo) Godfrey Award Rules
The purpose of this award is to remember one of New Zealand's most well known radio amateurs, who fully supported NZART Inc and branch level activities, in the belief that strong branches meant a strong national organisation.

As there was/is a gap in this area of recognising branch level activities at a national level, this award has be instituted to not so much reward those who work at this most important level but to acknowledge to the rest of the amateur service the tireless work put in at the grass roots of amateur radio.

The Award is to be made to the radio amateur or non-transmitting branch member who in the opinion of the nominator(s) has given outstanding service to Amateur Radio at a branch level over a period of time that has not been recognized anywhere else.

Criteria
1.. Nominees must be active in branch level activities and in these to have shown extraordinary service to their fellow branch members. Points of service rendered need to be presented to ensure that the nominee meets the purpose and vision of the award as outlined in the introduction,
2.. The award is for the years prior to the award presentation. e.g. if award year is 2008, the period of time to be considered are those prior to 31 December 2007,
3.. There are no limits on the number of nominees, however up to a maximum of three recipients can be awarded in any one year,
4.. The nominee must be a current member of NZART,
5.. The nominee must be a current member of the nominating branch, and
6.. The nominee should be unaware of the nominations.
Nominations
1.. Nominations to be made to the General Secretary of NZART (at current address) to reach the office by 1 May following the year(s) under review,
2.. Nominations must be made through the Secretary of a Branch of NZART, and
3.. Bullet points of "service rendered" must be tabulated and certified as correct by the Branch Chairman (except that two other officers would be accepted if the circumstances warrant) and these must refer to the period under review. Through these, the reason why the nominee should be considered must be clearly evident. I in my capacity of General Secretary I will recommend those that meet the criteria of the Award to NZART Council for confirmation immediately prior to the Annual General Meeting. It is possible that in some years no award would be made even though nominations/recommendations were received.

Any branch that feels that they have members who would fit this criteria,
please send their nominations to me before 1 December.

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Upcoming Events
1.. Wellington EXPO-11 & VHF Convention 23-April-2011
http://www.nzart.org.nz/activities/events/expo-2011/
2.. UPPER HUTT NZART Conference 2011 04/06-June-2011
http://www.nzart.org.nz/activities/events/2010-upper-hutt-conf/
Contest News
VHF/UHF/SHF Contest
VHF++ Low Band Contest (1st SAT APR 2nd if Easter) 02/03-APR-2011
THE VHF CONTEST RULES (http://www.vhf.org.nz/VHF-UHF-SHF-ContestRules)

Preliminary Results Of The DX Weekend Contest 5th and 6th February 2011
PLEASE REPORT ALL DISCREPANCIES TO: zl2wa@clear.net.nz

Band Frequency
Callsign Locator Points
6 m
ZL4DK RE54fe 384
ZL1SWW RF73ir 85
ZL1HI RF73qs 35
2 m
ZL1SWW RF73ir 1138
ZL4DK RE54fe 1087
ZL1HI RF73qs 442
ZL2UGL RE78js 106
70 cm
ZL4DK RE54fe 1037
ZL1SWW RF73ir 641
ZL1HI RF73qs 407
23 cm
ZL1SWW RF73ir 2908
ZL4DK RE54fe 830
9 cm
ZL1SWW RF73ir 562
5 cm
ZL1SWW RF73ir 3596
3 cm
ZL1SWW RF73ir 1798
12 mm
ZL1SWW RF73ir 374
TOTAL SCORES
ZL1SWW RF73ir 11102
ZL4DK RE54fe 3338
ZL1HI RF73qs 884
ZL2UGL RE78js 106
BEST DX
6 m ZL1SWW - ZL4LV 1128 km

2 m ZL1SWW - ZL3CU 826 km
70 cm ZL1SWW - ZL2TAL 380 km
23 cm ZL1SWW - ZL2DX 559 km
9 cm ZL1SWW - ZL1TPH 104 km
5 cm ZL1SWW - ZL2IP 333 km
3 cm ZL1SWW - ZL2IP 333 km
12 mm ZL1SWW - ZL1TPH 104 km
36 STATIONS ACTIVE
ZL1ACM ZL1ADP ZL1AJY ZL1AKW ZL1BK ZL1BQE ZL1GTB ZL1HI ZL1RDK ZL1SWW ZL1TDU ZL1TO ZL1TPH ZL1TWR ZL1UET

ZL2DX ZL2FAE ZL2IP ZL2TAL ZL2UGL

ZL3ADC ZL3ADT ZL3CU ZL3LM ZL3MH ZL3NW ZL3OY ZL3PN ZL3PX ZL3THQ ZL3TY

ZL4DK ZL4IS ZL4LV ZL4PLM ZL4PP

EQUIPMENT USED (IF STATED)

6 metres

TS-680 + 60 W + 3-element Yagi

FT-897D 100 W + 6-elment Yagi

IC-746 100 W + 3-element Yagi

2 metres

TR-751 + 150 W amplifier + 2 x 9-element Yagi

IC-821H 35 W + 2 x 5-element Yagi

FT-897D 50 W + 7/7 skeleton slot

IC-706MKII + 140 W amplifier + 12-element LP Yagi

70 cm

TR-851 + home brew amplifier + 3.3 metre dish

FT-897D 20 W + 11-elment Yagi

TR-9500 + 130 W amplifier + stacked 7-element LP Yagis

23 cm

Home brew 10 W transceiver + 3.3 metre dish

VK5EME + PLL + 18 W + 56-element Yagi stack

9 cm

DXR740 5 W + 20-element patch Remec

5 cm

DXR700-768 5 W + 770 mm prime focus dish

3 cm

DXR700-710 5 W + 600 mm prime focus dish

12 mm

DB6NT mult + harmonic mixer 800 mW + 300 mm dish

THE NEXT CONTEST
The next contest is the Low Band Contest, 50 MHz to 440 MHz, on Saturday the 2nd and Sunday the 3rd of April 2011. The operating times are: Saturday 1700 to 2300 NZDST and Sunday 0700 to 1300 NZST. Note that Daylight Saving ends half way through the contest. NZ Local Time applies on both days of the contest.

The contest after that is the Hibernation Contest, 50 MHz and up, on Saturday the 11th and Sunday the 12th of June 2011. This is the weekend after NZART Conference. The operating times are: Saturday 1700 to 2300 NZST and Sunday 0700 to 1300 NZST.

All contest logs should be sent, to arrive within two weeks, to:
zl2wa@clear.net.nz
with Contest Log in the subject line, or by post to:
Contest Manager
Wellington VHF Group
P.O. Box 12-259
Thorndon
Wellington

2010 IARU HF World Championships Scores
Letters are:
Fifth Column: Operating category (A=Single Op Mixed Mode, B-Single Op Phone Only, C=Single Op CW Only, D=Multioperator)
Sixth Column: Power for single operator categories (A=QRP, B=Low, C=High)

Zone 60
New Zealand
ZL2MM 2,261 35 19 B B
ZL4NX (JM1CAX, op) 15,680 100 40 C B
ZL3IO 1,540 25 20 C B
ZM2B (ZL2BR, op) 197,736 542 77 C C
ZL3TE (W3SE, op) 184,280 474 85 C C
ZM4G (ZL2iFB, op) 349,885 613 127 D C
ZL2JU (+ ZL2AGY) 216,360 528 90 D C
ZL1T 78,070 255 74 D C
Zone 55
Australia
VK4AN 26,158 123 58 A B
VK4LDX 5,720 58 26 B B
VK4GH 17,507 105 41 B C
VK4TT 17,056 98 41 C B
VK4EMM 357,555 639 121 C C
See www.arrl.com for full results and what position you got in the contest.

Contest Calendar 2011
Contest Name
RSBG Commonwealth (BERU)
VK John Moyle Memorial Field Day (3rd full WE MAR)
Date(s) 2011
12/13-MAR-2011
19/20-MAR-2011

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Break-In-closes on 10-MARCH-2011
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word.doc files are preferred. Photos and other graphics should be send as
separate discrete files (*.jpg preferred); not as embedded pix in the body
of the text. Please ensure that suitable descriptive captions/legends are
included with your copy.
All received copy will be acknowledged to confirm receipt.
Thank you for your cooperation.
John Walker ZL3IB Editor.
3.. Break-In: Early receipt of copy is much appreciated
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articles for publication in the AREC COLUMN OF BREAK-IN. Photos, if
available, to be on a separate floppy or CD (with captions), posted DIRECTLY
TO US. Use Call Book address. All other material can go to e-mail:
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http://www.nzart.org.nz/join/e-mail-lists/join-infoline-list/

Regards, Jamie Pye ZL2NN, Editor zl2nn@nzart.org.nz

250. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 06th March 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-06 21:00:14 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20110306210004.67A2033C49@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4890
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 06th March 2011

Silent Key We regret to announce the death of Ettie Dolan wife of John Dolan EI9AD in Limerick. We offer our sincere condolences to the Dolan family. May she rest in peace.

IRTS AGM Annual Dinner and Rally 2011

You are reminded of the importance of attending the IRTS AGM weekend, including Annual Dinner and Rally will be held this year on Saturday March 26th and Sunday March 27th. The event will be hosted by the Limerick Radio Club. The venue is the Radisson Blu Hotel, Ennis Road, Limerick.

For more information contact, Ger McNamara EI4GXB on

087 2532512 or ei4gxb/ at /gmail/ dot/ com. A new website for the Rally in Limerick on 27 March 2011 is now available, please go to http://limerickradiorally.com for more details.

The AGM dinner tickets priced at 35 are now available from Tony Condon EI2AW at QTHR or by email to condona /at / eircom/ dot/ net.

IRTS Stand at Friedrichshafen Rally

IRTS members attending the Friedrichshafen rally this year and who are willing to be in attendance at the IRTS stand for some of the time whilst there are requested to contact Sean Nolan, EI7CD on email ei7cd / at / gofree / dot/ indigo / dot / ie .

IRTS Committee Meeting

The next IRTS committee meeting will be held on March 12th in Portlaoise. All affiliated clubs representatives are encouraged and welcome to attend.

IRTS AGM Dinner Tickets.

Tickets will be available at the next Committee meeting on 12 March from Ger McNamara EI4GXB. Please make contact with your club or regional representative who may be attending the meeting to collect tickets on your behalf. Payment can be made by cheque payable to Limerick Radio Club or by cash.

South Dublin Radio Club

South Dublin Radio Club Annual General Meeting (AGM) will take place in Terenure College on Tuesday 29th March at 8pm sharp.

All members are welcome and asked to attend.

Mayo Radio Experimenters Club

John Browne, EI7FAB, won the 2010 Mayo Radio Experimenters annual club activity competition. The annual event consists of twelve monthly competitions with accumulator points going to the annual award. John won four of the monthly competitions, and had half a point to spare over Dominic Curtin, EI9JS in the annual table. All the monthly competitions are for on air activity and range from working Locator squares, DXCC countries, a novelty alpha-numeric grid and a month devoted to listening. John McAndrew, EI3JM, (third,) Padraic Baynes, EI9JA, (fourth,) and Jimmy Kelly EI2GCB, make up the top five in the competition. The club uniquely transmits the IRTS and local news on Sunday evenings simultaneously on four VHF bands - 6mts, 4mts, 2 mts and 70cms and the club is very active on these bands locally. The news simulcast originally presented technical challenges, but these have been overcome thanks to the guidance of Dominic Curtin, EI9JS.

Mayo Radio Experimenters publishes a monthly newsletter for members and this is currently edited by John Corless, EI7IQ. He took over form David Hatfield, EI3ECB last summer.

At the recent AGM, Jimmy Kelly, EI2GCB was re-elected Chairperson, and the club's two prestigious awards for contribution to the club and to the hobby went to Padraic Baynes, EI9JA and Dominic Curtin, EI9JS.

The club plans a monthly activity day where SWLs and the public will be invited to explore the hobby with portable set-ups at different locations on one Sunday per moth from April to September.

The club is active in all IRTS competitions using the club call, EI7MRE and individual members take part in many international contests.The club won the January 80mts counties contest again this year. John Walsh, EI5GHB was well placed in this contest also. Another member, Brendan Minish, EI6IZ, is one of the to CW contesters in Europe.

Theory classes are ongoing within the club under the guidance of John Corless, EI7IQ. The club meets on the first Wednesday of each month in The Welcome Inn Hotel, Castlebar at 9.30pm local time. Visiting

amateurs or curious radio enthusiasts are most welcome to come along.

North Cork Radio Group

North Cork Radio Group will be active EI1NC/P from the old governors house at Cork City Gaol and Radio Museum on the weekend of the 19 and 20th of March, The intention of the activation is to gain publicity and awareness for the Museum as an attraction for radio enthusiast both in Cork city and for visitors to the county in general. The Gaol houses the restored 6CK radio Broadcast studio in addition to an audio visual dedicated to Marconi and his Irish connections along with a wide collection of nostalgic artefacts from the golden age of Irish radio.

North Cork Radio Group

The North Cork Radio Group, after last year's great success, is pleased to announce their second annual rally and electronics fair at the Blarney Golf Resort, Tower, Co Cork. on Sunday September the 11th 2011.

The doors open to the public at 11.30 and the rally will run throughout the afternoon. The usual traders will be on hand with some very tasty bargains, South East Communications, Long Communications and JBT Trading.

The Hotel are also offering room deals for the rally a Room Only from 59 and Double Room inc B&B: 79 Please Contact the hotel directly for room bookings on Tel:+353 21 4384477. www.blarneygolfresort.com

Small traders are very welcome but it essential that they contact the events organiser Liam EI7GTB, Tel: 085-7039042 Email: ei7gtb / at/gmail /dot/com as soon as possible.

Further details can be found via the group's website, www.ei1nc.com.com

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Limerick Radio Club

The next meeting of Limerick Radio Club will take place on Thursday 10 March at 7.30pm in the Limerick Institute of Technology.

Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club

Michael Clarke writes and tells us about Amateur Radio Exam Successes.

All nine candidates passed the Intermediate amateur radio examination last Sunday afternoon after a course run by Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club in the SHARE Centre.

This course began last November but was abandoned in severe winter weather. It resumed over three busy February weekends with the

examination on the third Sunday afternoon.

These nine Intermediate successes represent a 35% progression from last year's 26 Foundation successes after two courses in 2010. The Club hopes more will follow, and there are ambitions for an Advanced course and examination later this year for Ofcom's Full Amateur License.

Meantime, the nine new Intermediate licensees will each receive a congratulations certificate at the Lough Erne Pearl Anniversary Rally in the big SHARE Arena on Sunday 17 April 2011.

South Eastern Amateur Radio Group

A New committee was elected at the Annual General Meeting of South Eastern Amateur Radio Group on 28 February in Waterford. The incoming committee for 2011 is as follows:

Chairperson: John McCarthy EI8JA Vice Chairperson: Francis Lenane EI5GOB Secretary: John Ronan EI7IG Treasurer: Mark Wall EI7IS PRO: Declan FitzgeraldEI5GRB

Officers are: Mick Hoban EI5DCB, Egidio Giani EI9EQ and David Gainda EI6GVB.

The club would like to thank the outgoing committee for all their work over the past year.

New 2m Repeater (EI2CCR) at Dundalk Amateur Radio Society

An upgraded 2m repeater has been installed at the RTE site at Clermont Cairn, north of Dundalk. The new installation consists of a Phillips FX5000 base station and a G1SLE repeater logic. As a result of the upgrade, licensed users need to ensure they use the following:-

1. Narrow band 12.5khz Tx deviation selected.

2. CTCSS encode set to 110.9Hz or 1750Hz tone burst used to open EI2CCR.

When you access EI2CCR you will hear a your signal report in Morse- S trong(...), I ntermediate (..), W eak (.--) this will be followed by 8 pips.

Dundalk Amateur Radio Society is most grateful to Richard, MI3CQR, for technical expertise and generosity in the installation of the new upgrade.

More comprehensive details can be obtained by access to www.ei7dar.com

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Dundalk Amateur Radio Society EI7DAR- Lecture Series

A series of two very interesting lectures will be given by John, EI7BV. The first of the lectures will be entitled, 'The early years and the bands below 30MHz. This is quite a comprehensive 'talk' and extensive use of powerpoint will be employed. This lecture will take place on March 16th at QTHR of EI7DAR, 'Larkin House', 113, Castletown Road, Dundalk. Location map is available on www.ei7dar.com

The second lecture, date yet to be decided, will discuss the bands above 30MHz, (VHF,UHF,SHF & EHF). Members and visitors are most welcome to attend and EI7DAR look forward to seeing you all there.

DX News

Roger CT8/G3SXW and Lionel CT8/G5LP will operate from San Miguel Island, Azores EU-003 on March 16-17th. Note that Azores used to have the prefix CU but this is now changed to CT8! They hope to be active for several hours each day with the Elecraft K2, CW only. QSL via home call and LoTW.

Allan, W6HGF plans to stage a one-man expedition to Miquelon between March 14 - 22, 2011.

Activity is planned on all bands, with focus on RTTY/Digi.

John, KL7JR and Claire, WL7MY are now QRV from Costambar, Dominican Republic until June 2011. QSL via H/c. QSLing will start around July.

Anne, OH2YL makes a Dxpedition to Saint Barth&#65533;lemy. The expedition starts on 15th April and ends on the 27th. She works on all HF bands (160 m to 10 m). The mode will be CW. QSL cards via OH2YL. Also LoTW works fine. You can find more information about this expedition at www.fjoh2yl.com

4A4A Will take place between 3 to 20 of March, a good group will put the signal on the air on SSB , CW and Digital modes from Benito Juarez Island (Isla Socorro). IOTA: NA-030 // QTH locator : DK48MR They will try setup 3 stations running simultaneously as conditions permits.

World Radiocommunication Conference Amateur Radio has moved a step closer to a medium frequency (MF) allocation below the AM broadcast band. During the first week of the Conference Preparatory Meeting (CPM) for the 2012 World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC-12) of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU), held in Geneva February 14-25, delegates completed the drafting of nine pages of analysis of the technical and regulatory issues related to WRC-12 Agenda Item 1.23: consideration of a possible secondary allocation to the Amateur Service of about 15 kHz somewhere between 415 and 526.5 kHz. What is now called Method A envisions an allocation of up to 15 kHz between 472 and 487 kHz. Method B calls for allocations of 461-469 kHz and 471-478 kHz.

Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club Annual Rally

The Lough Erne Annual Rally takes place The Share Centre, Lisnaskea Co. Fermanagh BT92 0EQ on Sunday April 17th 2011. Doors open at 11.30am and access can be obtained from the Erne/Shannon waterway. Bring and Buy, Food, on-site parking. Contact: Iain 028/048 66326693. EMail: iain /at/ learc.eu See www.loughernerадioclub.co.uk

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Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

251. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1001

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-06 21:44:00 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <15027.61656.qm@smtp128.sbc.mail.sp1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 4891
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1001
Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 1001

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Bulletin No. 1001
BID: $OPDX.1001
March 7, 2011
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, K1XN & GoList, NJ1Q, KA2AEV, W2VU, NG3K & ADXO, N4AA & QRZ DX, AA5AU, KH6BZF, K8YSE, KG8P, W8GEX (60m News), 9K2HN, AT International, DK8ZZ, DL1SBF, DL7MAE & The DX News Letter, DxCoffee.com, DX-World.Net, F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX, F6FQK, HP1AC, I1JQJ/IK1ADH & 425 DX News, OH6LBW, OZ6OM & 50 MHz DX News, Pete's-DX-Newsdesk, PT7WA, PY4WAS, RSGB IOTA Web Site, VA3RJ & ICPO, VHF-DX-Portal (MMMonVHF), VK2HV, VK3PC and VK6HZ for the following DX information.

*** SPECIAL NOTE FROM EDITOR: I want to thank the many individuals who sent E-mail congratulations on OPDX's 1000th bulletin and upcoming 20th anniversary. It was great to hear that I was able to help many achieve and increase their DXCC totals. I will try to continue to provide the DX information as long as I can and as long as there is info to pass on..... Again, thank you for the many kind comments...
73 de Tedd KB8NW

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 27th-Feb, through Sunday, 6th-Mar there were 227 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5V, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, CY0, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T30, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VK9C, VP2E, VP2M, VP2V, VP5, VP6, VP8, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XF4, XT, XU, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZD9, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS, ZS8

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

4A, REVILLAGIGEDO (Update). The 4A4A team is now on the air as of March 3rd, from Socorro Island (NA-030) and is expected to be there until March 20th. They will have 3 stations running simultaneously on CW, SSB and RTTY, as conditions permits. Suggested operation frequencies are:
CW - 1824, 3514, 7014, 10114, 14014, 18084, 21014, 24904 and 28014 kHz
SSB - 1850, 3790, 7065/7165, 14195, 18140, 21295, 24940 and 28475 kHz
RTTY - 3582, 10140, 14082, 18102, 21082, 24922 and 28082 kHz
6m - 50104/CW and 50140/SSB
As this was being typed, the 4A4A QSO count as of 2129z, March 5th, is 8409 with 4678 unique callsigns (5369/CW, 2698/SSB and 342/RTTY). QSL via EB7DX direct. All QSOs will be confirmed via LoTW automatically. The DXpedition's Web site is: http://www.revillagigedo2011.com
Online log available at: http://www.revillagigedo2011.com/en/log.html

9A, CROATIA. Zrinko (Zik), DK8ZZ/VE3ZIK/YT3ZZ, will be once again active from Croatia as 9A/VE3ZIK between March 13-30th. He also plans to be active in the Russian DX Contest and CQ WPX SSB Contest. Zik also mentions that there is a good chance he will be active from Vrana Lake (9AFF 019). QSL via DK8ZZ, by the Bureau, LoTW, eQSL or direct. E-mail Bureau request for QSLs can go to: ve3zik@gmail.com

A5, BHUTAN. Operators Shigeo/JA1JQY (A52JY), Nakayama/JA1KJW (A52KJ) and Kunio/JA8VE (A52VE) will be active from Thimphu between April 19-26th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY.

CE0Y, EASTER ISLAND. Frank, I2DMI, will be active as CE0Y/I2DMI from Easter Island between July 30th and August 8th. Activity will be RTTY only. Bands of operation were not provided. QSL via his home callsign.

CN, MOROCCO. Hartwig, DL7BC, will be active as CN2BC during the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest (March 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via DL7BC. Visit his Web page at: http://www.qslnet.de/dl7bc

CQ MM DX 2011 CONTEST. Members of the Juiz de Fora CW Group will sponsor the first ever CQ Manchester Mineira DX Contest, April 16-17th. For more details, please go to: http://www.cwjf.com.br

CQ PRESS RELEASE. Richard Moseson, W2VU, Editorial Director for CQ Communications, Inc., reports on March 1st: "Richard Fisher, KI6SN, Named Editor of Popular Communications -- Veteran journalist and writer Richard Fisher, KI6SN, has been named Editor of Popular Communications magazine, effective with the June 2011 issue, Publisher Richard Ross, K2MGA, announced today. Fisher will succeed Edith Lennon, N2ZRW, who is stepping down to pursue freelance editing and writing projects and to work with a non-profit organization.
Lennon has been Editor of Popular Communications for the past four years, solidifying the magazine's editorial content and reader appeal. She has held a variety of positions with publisher CQ Communications, including Editor of the company's Amateur Radio Equipment Buyer's Guides

and Radio magazine (a custom publishing project for RadioShack); and Managing Editor of CQ VHF, Communications Quarterly and the CQ Amateur Radio Almanac.
'Edith has been a tremendous asset to our company over the past two decades with the energy and integrity she has brought to every project,' said Ross. 'We will miss her greatly and wish her all the best in her new endeavors. At the same time, I am looking forward to working even more closely with Richard and gaining the additional benefits he will bring from his extensive experience in print and online journalism.'
Fisher, of Riverside, California, will continue in his current position as Editor of WorldRadio Online magazine and will continue to write his current columns in Popular Communications, WorldRadio Online and CQ magazines.
Fisher also manages three related Internet sites, including blog sites for WorldRadio Online, his 'Trail-Friendly Radio' column in that magazine, and his 'Public Service' column in CQ magazine. He is also an administrator of the Facebook pages for all four CQ Communications publications.
He thanked Lennon for giving him a solid foundation on which to continue building Popular Communications. 'Edith is a very talented editor with a great news sense who surprises readers with every new edition,' he noted. 'She has led and developed a tremendous staff and has wonderful rapport with the readers. The proof is the highly respected publication that Edith passes to us to carry forward.'
Fisher's interest in radio spans more than 50 years. 'A Hallicrafters S-38D multi-band receiver first opened the world of shortwave listening to me in 1957 as a kid in Goose Bay, Labrador,' he said. 'I'm thrilled beyond words with the opportunity to begin this new chapter in a life that has been so enriched by radio and journalism.' Fisher begins his new duties as Editor on March 7th.
Popular Communications is published monthly by CQ Communications, Inc., which also publishes CQ Amateur Radio, CQ VHF and WorldRadio Online magazines, as well as a variety of radio-related books and videos."

CT8, AZORES. Operators Roger/G3SXW and Lionel/G5LP will be active as CT8/homecall from San Miguel Island (EU-003) between March 16-17th. The duo has rented accommodations in Ponta Delgada at a working farm on the northside facing the coast and will have plenty of space for wire antennas. This is expected to be a fun trip including culinary pleasures, so they will be active for several hours each day using a Elecraft K2 on CW only. QSL via their home callsign and LoTW.

CY0, SABLE ISLAND (Update). After a few postponements, the DXpedition to Sable Island (NA-063) is finally on the air and until March 15th. Look for operators Randy/N0TG, Jeff/N1NSB and Wayne/K8LEE to be active as homecall/CY0. They plan to run three stations simultaneously using CW, SSB and RTTY on 160-6 meters. The suggested updated frequencies are:
CW - 1826, 3523, 7023, 10106, 14023, 18072, 21023, 24892 and 28023 kHz
SSB - 1841, 3780, 7140, 14170, 18120, 21275, 24960 and 28450 kHz
RTTY - 3589, 7050, 10130, 14089, 18092, 21075, 24910 and 28089 kHz
QSL all callsigns via N0TG, direct or by the Bureau. They will have an "Online QSL Request Service" (OQRS) on their Web site for both direct

and Bureau QSLs (see "How to QSL") at: http://www.CY0dxpedition.com

DX0, SPRATLY ISLANDS (DX0DX Update). Jim Linton/VK3PC, Public Affairs for the DX0DX, reports (edited): "The DX0DX mission to the Spratly's has been postponed to April 2012, following the initial expedition attempt in January this year.
Team Leader Chris Dimitrijevic, VK3FY, said he was determined to recover as much of the costs as possible to put things right for all the Team members, sponsors, organizations and individuals involved.
'I have been thinking very long and hard about the Spratly's and to put DX0DX off until next year will allow me time to clean up the situation from the first attempt' (The DX entity was to have been activated from 6th January 2011 until 1st February 2011).
'It's better to concentrate on getting the best value for the assets so that I can recover the best return for the operators', said Chris, VK3FY.
'I will inform the DX Community and also the generous DX Foundations of the decision.'
'But I need to put things right for the operators that put their faith in me. That is of paramount importance at this time. Ongoing efforts are being made towards selling the assets.'
April is by far the best month for a DX expedition to Thitu Island in the Spratly's because the seas are far calmer for a sea voyage.
Apologies are made by Chris, VK3FY, to the DX community for the changes that have been outside his control.
Earlier on it was announced that difficulties with logistics and customs were the major problems, but were overcome.
Chris, VK3FY, has personally undertaken to post the contributions, foundations, and costs on the DX0DX Yahoo group and to foundations by Tuesday, 8th March 2011."

DXCC NEWS (From the DXCC Blog Page)[edited]: "Happy New Year DXCC! - Bill Moore, NC1L, Awards Branch Manager, popped the cork on the champagne today (alcohol-free, of course...) and we spent 3 minutes celebrating the completion of 2010's DXCC processing and started-in on 2011.
The biggest changes include the deletions of the Netherlands Antilles entities and the addition of the four new entities (PJ2, PJ4, PJ5/6, and PJ7) to the system. It will take some time for all the changes to appear throughout the system. Already you might notice that your current entity totals have dropped because of the deletions. If you had both of the PJs confirmed on 10 bands, you will see your current entity total drop by 20.
The PJ operations have already started obtaining their certificates and will be entering their logs into LoTW shortly -- some may make it into the system by 00Z on 4 March. Attention PJ stations: You must download the new TQSL Configuration file before you can request a new certificate. This download can be found under Your Account, and then Your Certificates.
Congratulations to all the DXers who now have credit for their first Deleted Entities! Does that make everyone OTs?"

FJ, SAINT BARTHELEMY. Anne, OH2YL, will be active as FJ/OH2YL from Saint Barthelemy (NA-146) between April 15-27th. Activity will be on all HF

bands, 160-10 meters and using CW only (on a lower edge of all bands).
QSL via OH2YL or LoTW. More details are available at:
http://www.fjoh2yl.com

FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA. Phil, FO8RZ, from Tahiti, reports that the 160 meter season will finish soon, and it will be his last 160 meter season because he will be going back to France this next summer. So he is looking for "big gun" stations from the following states in order to finish his "LoTW WAS" on 160m: LA, RI, SC or SD. Please send him a E-mail for a sked at: f5phw@free.fr
Phil states that he is on every evening on ON4KST's chat between 0530-0630Z. More info about FO8RZ is on: http://f5phw.hamlogs.net

FP, ST. PIERRE AND MIQUELON. Allan, W6HGF, will be on a one-man DXpedition as FP/W6HGF to Miquelon (NA-032) between March 14-22nd. Activity will be on all HF bands, 160-10 meters, and with a focus on the RTTY and Digital modes. QSL via LoTW. Look for more details and updates on:
http://www.qsl.net/w6hgf

HI, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC (Update). Operators Yukon John/KL7JR and XYL Claire/WL7MY are now active as HI3/KL7JR and HI3/WL7MY from Hispaniola Island (NA-096) until June. Activity will be on 80-10 meters SSB using several different wire antennas from their beach location. Main antenna will be a 40-10m vertical loop. E-mail for skeds at: kl7jr@yahoo.com
QSL via KL7JR (QRZ.com). QSLing will start until around July.

HR5, HONDURAS. Gerard F2JD will once again be active as HR5/F2JD from Copna starting mid-March to mid-May. Activity will be on all HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL via F6AJA.

IOTA DXPEDITION 2011. Members of the MS0INT team are once again planning IOTA DXpeditions to EU-010, EU-059 and EU-111. After the successful activation of the dangerous and rare Flannan Isles (EU-118) in June 2010, the MS0INT team has re-grouped, re-organized and strengthened in size for their next adventure. The team will once again be led by Col/MM0NDX. The other 2011 IOTA team members includes the following highly experienced island activators: Christian/EA3NT, Ramon/EA3OR, Raul/EA5KA, Stan/EI6DX, Vincent/F4BKV and Simon/IZ7ATN. The tentative IOTAs to be activated are: EU-010 EU-059 EU-111

Benbecula	St. Kilda	Monach Isles
South Uist		
Grimsay		
Baleshare		
North Uist		
Berneray		

Activation is expected to take place between June 14-20th. They state that their plans could change quite suddenly due to weather/seas in the area. QSLs will be via M0URX. There are a few options to receive a QSL via direct and OQRS (direct or Bureau). NO eQSL. For more details and updates, visit the MS0INT Web page at: http://www.ms0int.com

IOTA NEWS.............................
AS-118. Members of the Kuwait Amateur Radio Society will be active
as 9K2F from Failaka Island until they leave on March 7th.
They plan to have two stations on the air. QSL via 9K2HN.

NA-221. Operators Ismael/XE1AY, Gustavo/XE1KKK, Francisco/XE1P, Ricardo/
XE1RZL, Ricardo/XE1SOV, Fernando/XE1VGC, Jose/XE1UYU, Martin/
XE1UZH, Modesto/XE1UZU, Juan/XE2IA, Jose/XE2IVG and Ricardo/
XE3NMC will be active as XF2P on from Lobos Island (ARLHS
MEX-35), Veracruz, between April 29th and May 1st. Activity
will be on the HF bands and 6 meters, using CW, SSB and RTTY,
and also the satellites (AO27, AO51 and SO50). QSL via XE1AY.

OC-091. Operators Ed/4F1OZ, Gus/4F1EAA, Nani/DU1COP and Gudo/4F3XX
will be active as DZ1P from Polillo Islands between March
11-13th. Also, operators Gil/4F2KWT and Frank/VE7DP will be
joining their operation. Plans of band and mode activities
were not provided, so watch the IOTA frequencies. QSL via
4F1OZ or VE7DP.

OC-195. Operators Les/VK3MLM, Peter/VK3ADO, Mark/VK3FMGF, Lino/VK3EI,
Luke/VK3HJ and John/VK3DQ will be active as VK7DI from Deal
Island in the Furneaux IOTA Group between March 20-23rd.
Activity will be on the HF bands using CW, SSB and SSTV.
Their suggested frequencies are 3570, 7093 and 14195 kHz.
The team will operate from Garden Cove which is located on
the north side of Deal Island, and possibly have up to three
stations on the air using a number of batteries with both
solar charging and a small generator set. QSL via VK3DQ. For
more details, check out QRZ.com under VK7DI.

OC-164. John, VK6HZ, will once again be visiting Rottnest Island this
year. Dates of operation will be March 20-27th. Operation will
be holiday style (he states "in between beer, swimming and,
of course, quality time with my family!). Activity will be on
40-10 meters with a focus on 17-10 meters CW and RTTY. Equipment
will be IC-7000 running 100w into a Buddipole. This year QSL
via VK6IR. Details on QRZ.com.

SA-029. Fred, PY2XB, will be active as PY2XB/1 from Grande Island
(DIB RJ-02, WLOTA 0795) until March 9th. Activity will be
holiday style on 40-10 meters, mainly CW and using 100 watts
and wire antennas. QSL via PT7WA (Bureau OK).

J7, DOMINICA. Arno, DL1CW, is now active as J79ZZ from Salisbury until
March 12th. Activity this past weekend has been on 15/12/10 meters CW.
QSL via his home callsign.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (March 7-13th)....
Mar 07 AN SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS
Mar 08 HN-AN --------------------
Mar 09 HN-AN BN - Below Normal
Mar 10 HN-AN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET

Mar 11 AN LN - Low Normal
Mar 12 AN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Mar 13 AN-HN DIS - Disturbed
VDIS - Very Disturbed

GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

KH8, AMERICAN SAMOA. Rick, AI5P, will be active as AI5P/KH8 between April 8-18th. Activity will be holiday style. Bands and modes of operation were not provided. QSL via his home callsign.

NO8, UNITED STATES (Special Event). Several members (including your editor) from the Northern Ohio DX Association (NODXA) will be on the air using the special callsign NO8DX/20 to celebrate the 20th anniversary (March 11th) of the Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin. Activity will take place between March 11-13th. Look for operation to be on the HF bands and the satellites. A special QSL card will be designed for this event. QSLs for this event only will be via KB8NW.

PY0, FERNANDO DE NORONHA. Marcello, PY2FN, will be active as PY0FO from Fernando de Noronha (SA-000) between July 2&#65533;9th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters but only on CW. Emphasis will be on 6 meters. QSL via his home callsign.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated March 6th)

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4X/K2LS via K2LS IR2CUI via IQ2ER TM1W via F5HRY
5X1XA via G3SWH J7Y via K1LI TM5E via F8KGS
9K2F via 9K2HN J79ZZ via DL1CW TM9FL via F5KFL
9M6/VO1AU via VO1MX KG4KL via KN4KL V47KP via W2OX
A65BD via G5LP OL1911VP via OK1DRQ V85/9M6XRO via
M0URX
CE3/LU1FAM via AC7DX OP4A via ON6LY VP8DLM via F5PFP
DV1/JO7KMB via JO7KMB (direct/LoTW) P33W via UA3DX VQ9ZZ via N1ZZZ
EH5FAG via EA5GRN P40YL via AI6YL VU3LMS via VU2JOS
FM/KL7WA via UT5UGR PJ7B via W8EB XE3MAYA via EA5KB
HF40FO via SP2PMW PJ7DX via I8NHJ YB0ECT via W2FB
HI3/KL7JR via KL7JR (direct) T30AQ via SP5EAQ YV7AJ via YV5AJ
HP1DCP via EA5KB T88TW via JE8NTJ ZF2LC via W2SM
IH9/I2YSB via I2YSB (direct) TJ3AY via F5LGE ZF2UL via K3UL
ZL3RG via 9A3JB

HQ5A QSL ROUTE. Mike, KA2AEV, reports that for this past ARRL CW oper-
ation, to PLEASE QSL HQ5A via KA2AEV direct with a SASE/SAE and return

postage. He suggests plenty of patience because he just received the logs but does not have any QSLs yet. ALSO PLEASE NOTE -- DO NOT SEND ANY QSLS TO HIM VIA REGISTERED MAIL. It's a waste of your money and his time. It's not needed!!!

PIRATE ALERT. The TJ9PF operation was over since February 20th. There were reports of PIRATE activity on February 23rd (80/RTTY) and March 1st (CW 30m).

PJ7E QSL STATUS. Co-leaders Craig/K9CT and Joe/W8GEX report, "We are doing very well getting out QSLs but still have about 5 mailing trays to confirm yet. Tom, N4XP, our QSL Manager, expects to complete those in the next three weeks. The OQSL will be shut down on March 4th. The OQSL service has been a huge success with certificates issued with the QSLs. All of the OQSLs received at this time have been mailed. ARRL has announced that they will soon be issuing the LOTW certificates to the new PJs. We are ready to upload the logs at that time. The PJ7E team thanks everyone for their QSOs."

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: CW5W, D44TBE, F5IN, FO8RZ, GB0ANT, HI8CJG, HK1N, HK1YR, HQ5A, HR9/WQ7R, KH2L, LZ170MDS, MD/PA3EWP, OE1A, P40L, PJ2/W5MPC, PJ2T, PJ4D, PJ4N, PJ4W, PJ5/K1XM, PJ5/AH6HY, PJ6A, PJ6N, PJ7/KC0VKN, PU8TEP, R750Y, RZ3FW, SA0AQT, T32OU, T32YA, US6EX, V31TF, V44KAI, VK9C/G6AY, XE7S and YV6BTF

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3W6C, 5X0CW, A25BI, C5YK, CE3/VE7SV, CP4BT, DT8A, EP2MKO, ER8DX, IA7IPY, J6/K8EAB, JW7XM, KH7Y, MU/F4EGD, PJ2A, PJ2T, PJ4I, PJ6A, PJ7E, S21YX, T70A, T94MZ, TG9NX, V31YY, V73RRC, VP2MSC, VP8/LZ1UQ, XE2WWW, YI9PSE, ZD9AH and ZD9T

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 9L7NS, 9Q/DK3MO, DA0HQ, DR5N, CR1M, HF2000TC, JD1BMH, P29/OE9SJI, TF/DJ2VO, TO8S, VP2ENK and ZK2DL

RTTY MOST WANTED SURVEY 2011. Don, AA5AU, reports: "All RTTY operators are invited to participate in the RTTY Most Wanted Survey 2011. This survey is being conducted by Larry/K8UT and myself. Larry has graciously offered to host the survey on the Southeast Michigan DX Association Web site. This makes perfect sense since Larry already had the form created and ready to go. This survey will be run for 3 weeks beginning now until midnight EST Monday, March 20, 2011. The results of the survey will be announced when they have been compiled. Please submit to the survey only once per callsign unless you have made a mistake or your "needs" list on RTTY has changed within the survey period. If more than one survey is submitted with your callsign, we will use the last one submitted. The survey can be found at: http://rttysurvey2011.semdxa.org
Thank you for your participation. Thanks to Larry/K8UT and the Southeastern Michigan DX Association for hosting the survey. Please report any problems with the survey directly to Larry at: k8ut@k8ut.com "

T31, CENTRAL KIRIBATI (Update). The W8GEX (60m News) states: "It has been reported by the T31A team that the T31A DXpedition is planning a 60m operation if things run as expected. Time permitting, and if antennas

can be properly placed so as to not interfere with other bands or take away from significant QSO rates on other bands, they will TRY to activate 60m. CW and SSB positioning is carefully being planned, and 60m will be squeezed in the site setups. Their sunset is 0548z and sunrise at 1736z."
An international team will activate T31A from Kanton Island (OC-043) between April 17-28th. See OPDX.994 for more details. The T31A Web page is available at: http://www.T31A.com
LAST MINUTE UPDATE: The T31A Web page states: "We delivered 6,981 pounds of equipment to the shipping company near Long Beach, California, on March 1st. We have 11 pallets of equipment being prepped for the sailing date of March 12th. The shipment should arrive in Apia, Samoa, around March 26th."

T6, AFGHANISTAN. Jim, WA2EWE, is currently active as T6AF from Kabul. His length of stay not known. According to his QRZ.com page, Jim states, "Almost every day, I operate at around 1230-1430z. Sometimes I am QRV until around 1500z. On Thursday afternoon, sometimes, I am able to extend the hours to 1100-1630z. Recently, I have been on the air on Fridays at 0130-0230z too. YP-3 is set up for 20 meters, aimed north; also work 15, 20, 30, and 40 meters on the dipole." QSL via LoTW or eQSL. Paper QSL card Manager is via David, EB7DX (QSL Manager).

TO2, REUNION ISLAND. Olivier, F4FLF, will be active as TO2Z from Reunion Island (AF-016) between April 9-22nd. Activity will be holiday style with operations planned for every evening using SSB, PSK and RTTY. QSL via his home callsign.

TP50, FRANCE. The "Council of Europe Radio Amateur Club" (CERAC - TP2CE) will be active as TP50CE, March 11-13th and the 18th. Activity is to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the European Social Charter. Operations are usually on all HF bands and modes, including the satellites. QSL via F5LGF. An online log search will be available at: http://ewwa.free.fr
ADDED NOTE: The CERAC will also be present at the "Ham Radio in Friedrich-shaffen, June 24-25th. They will be checking the log for QSOs with TP2CE, TP20CE, 3A0CE, 40OCE, TP60CE and TP50CE.

V2, ANTIGUA (Update). Three members of the Midwest 6 Meter DX Group will operate holiday style from Antigua (NA-100, Grid Square FK97BD) between June 14-28th. Operators mentioned are Dave/W9DR, Dave/K9UK and Tom/W9AEB. Look for W9DR to be active as V25DR and concentrate on 6 meters SSB/CW on 50.115 MHz. Look for K9UK to be active as V25DD and W9AEB as V25TP and operate on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and PSK31. QSL via their home callsigns. For more details, a Web link has been added to the Midwest 6 Meter DX Group Web page at:
http://www.6meterdxgroup.com/Antigua_DXpedition.html

VP5, TURKS AND CAICOS. Craig, VE3OP, will be active as VP5/VE3OP between March 9-18th. Activity will be on as many bands as possible using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK-31. QSL via his home calsign, direct or by the Bureau and also LoTW and eQSL.

V4, ST.KITTS & NEVIS. Hal, K5MV, will be active as V4/K5MV from St. Kitts (NA-104) between March 10-17th. Activity will be holiday style on 160-6 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via LoTW or direct to K5MV.

VP5/VQ5, TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS. Dave, W5CW, will once again be active as VP5/W5CW from the VP5JM Hamlet on the Island of Providenciales (NA-002, WLOTA 1476) between March 23rd and April 20th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW and SSB. Dave also plans to be entries in the following contests using the special callsign VQ51V: SP DX Contest (April 2-3rd), JIDX CW Contest (April 9-10th) and the YU DX Contest (April 16-17th). QSL direct to his home callsign (QRZ.com address) at: PO Box 88, Morris, OK 74445-0088 U.S.A.

VQ9, CHAGOS ISLAND (QRT, For Now!). Jeremy, N1ZZZ/VQ9ZZ, reports, "As of today, 5th March 2011, I will be leaving VQ9, leaving no active hams on the island. I should be back in late June, but my schedule is apt to change. So thanks to everyone who worked us over here, and hopefully we will be back on the air in the summer....73."

XV4, VIETNAM. Yannick, XV4Y (ex-XV4TUJ), who is located in Mekong Delta in southern Vietnam, has been on the air using his new callsign since the beginning of March. According to QRZ.com, his main profession (with his wife) is tourism in Vietnam and is now running a "Bed & Breakfast" in the city of Can Tho, near the Cai Rang floating market. Since he runs a business, his activity is limited to his free time. He suggests to look for him in the early afternoon (0700-0900z) or evening (1330z-1500z), no matter if it is a week day or weekend. Suggested frequencies are around 14276, 18126, 21312 or 7080 kHz. His antennas are: a ground plane for 20m (also works on 17/15m), a 40m delta-loop (ok on 20m and 15m) and a sloper for 30m listening. QSL Manager is OK1DOT, but please be patient because QSL cards are not printed yet. An online logbook is available on: http://www.clublog.org

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Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=help>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html

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252. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-07 00:29:59 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <f231ee91-bc96-4f26-8031-65e23abc74e9@c8g2000vbv.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4892

On Mar 5, 4:31 am, SAMARA <jaidatta9...@gmail.com> wrote:
> SEXY DIYA MIRZA

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253. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-07 00:30:34 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <74bdab43-4c79-4e81-9d68-7ac02d9d938f@m7g2000vbq.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4893
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.arts.comics.misc

On Mar 5, 2:21 am, timberland boot <jialiusho...@163.com> wrote:
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can the spam

254. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.amateur.*

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-07 07:05:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/recruitment-1-1299481501@panix.com>
Source record: 4894
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/recruitment
Revision: 1.2 2009/11/25 14:41:01
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/

Changes followed by "|".

The rec.radio.info newsgroup, first established in 1993, has been
recently revived by an active moderation team. We are currently seeking
suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.amateur.* (and currently archived
at http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/ ):

radio/personal-intro
Subject: Guide to the rec.radio Newsgroups
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 9 Nov 2001 06:18:17 GMT
Posting-Frequency: 15th of each month

One significant omission, requiring immediate updates, for this article |
is that it does not mention newer amateur radio newsgroups created since |
it was written, including: |

rec.radio.amateur.antenna |
rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors |
rec.radio.amateur.dx |
rec.radio.amateur.equipment |
rec.radio.amateur.homebrew |
rec.radio.amateur.moderated |
rec.radio.amateur.space |

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article ourselves.

For more information about our newsgroup, see:
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http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

255. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.swap

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-07 07:10:00 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/swap/recruitment-1-1299481800@panix.com>
Source record: 4895
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/swap/recruitment
Revision: 1.1 2007/09/29 18:42:57
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide

Changes followed by "|".

The rec.radio.info newsgroup, first established in 1993, has been
recently revived by an active moderation team. We are currently seeking
suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.swap (and currently archived at
http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide/ ):

radio/swap-guide
Subject: Rec.radio.swap FAQ: A Guide to Buying and Selling on Usenet
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 6 Nov 2001 19:25:51 GMT
Posting-Frequency: Monthly

We are willing to provide any technical support necessary to get this
article updated and automatically posted again at a regular interval.
This would include establishing contact with the original maintainer for
any necessary permissions. We would prefer to seek a new, dedicated
maintainer at this time, rather than start auto-posting the original
article ourselves.

For more information about our newsgroup, see:

http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
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256. Repairing a Xantrex 600HD Powerpack--The Tricky Handle

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-08 13:26:12 UTC
From: "W. eWatson" <wolftracks@invalid.com>
Message-ID: <il5apm$37u$1@news.eternal-september.org>
Source record: 4896

My battery is pretty well shot, but when I contacted Xantrex tech last week, the tech said it could be taken apart. It's all in a nice orange enclosure with a handle, light, radio, and so on. He said the tricky part is getting the handle separated. I took it to a battery shop in town, and indeed they were stumped by the handle problem, but didn't force it.

Has anyone here had experience doing this?

257. [DXNL] DXNL 1718 (Mar 9, 2011)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-08 19:25:15 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <1889209531.20110308202205@dxhf.darc.de>
Source record: 4897
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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CN - MOROCCO
Mathieu,MJ0ASP, is going to hit the airwaves from Marrakech as CN2MR
working in CW on 10m-40m from Mar 14-21. Mathieu prefers working on
the WARC bands. QSL via MJ0ASP, via bureau, direct or LoTW.

CT3 - MADEIRA ISLAND, AF-014
Rosel,CT9/DL3KWR, and Hardy,CT9/DL3KWF, plan to become active from
Madeira (AF-014) between Mar 10 and Apr 6. They plan to work mainly
in CW on 12m/17m/30m and Hardy will be QRV also in RTTY and PSK-31.
Their homepage can be found at: http://www.mydarc.de/dl3kwr
QSLs via homecalls, bureau QSLs can be request by sending an e-mail to
dl3kwr@darc.de or dl3kwf@darc.de

FG - GUADELOUPE, NA-102
Jean-Pierre,FG/F6ITD, wants to activate two islands near Guadeloupe
from Mar 9-31. He will work in SSB and digital modes from
La Desirade Island (Mar 9-15) and Basse Terre Island (Mar 16-31).
QSLs via bureau or direct to his homecall.

FP - ST PIERRE ET MIQUELON, NA-032
Allan,FP/W6HGF, will show up from Miquelon (NA-032, DIFO FP-002,
WLOTA 1417) from Mar 14-22. He works mainly in RTTY and other digital
modes on following frequencies: 1830, 3590, 7050, 10130, 14090, 18092,
21075, 24910 and 28090 kHz.
Allan prefers QSL via LoTW, but cards are sent also via buro or direct.
See also: http://www.qsl.net/w6hgf

HR - HONDURAS
After his activities from the Philippines and Cameroon Gerard,F2JD,
plans to become QRV from Copna/Honduras signing HR5/F2JD in CW and SSB
on all HF bands between the mid of March and the mid of May.
QSL via F6AJA, direct or via bureau.

J7 - DOMINICA, NA-101
Arno,DL1CW, is now active from Salisbury signing J79ZZ. He is working mainly in CW on 15m/12m/10m until Mar 12.
QSL cards should be sent via his homecall (also via bureau).

PJ2 - CURACAO, SA-099
Don,PJ2/W5FKX, Jim,PJ2/N5HZ, Dave,PJ2/W5XU, and Mike,PJ2/W5ZPA, will be QRV in all modes on all bands from the "Signal Point Station" PJ2T from Curacao (SA-099, WLOTA LH-0942) from Mar 10-17.
QSL cards should be sent to their homecalls, either via bureau, direct or LoTW. An online log and more information is available at: http://www.deltadx.net/Activities/PJ2/PJ2-DDXA.htm

T6 - AFGHANISTAN
Jim,WA2EWE, is momentarily active as T6AF from Kabul but nothing is known about the length of his stay. Jim tries to become active every day around 1230-1430 UTC and on fridays also from 0130-0230 UTC. He works with a dipole on 15m, 20m, 30m and 40m.
QSL via LoTW or eQSL. Paper QSLs should be sent to his manager EB7DX, unfortunately only direct.

TP - COUNCIL OF EUROPE
The radio club of the "Council of Europe" will be active in all modes on all bands using the special callsign TP50CE from Mar 11-13 and on Mar 18.
QSL cards should be sent via bureau or direct to F5LGF.
Online logs can be found on their website: http://ewwa.free.fr
QSL cards of TP2CE, TP20CE, 3A0CE, 4O0CE, TP60CE and TP50CE can be obtained also at the "CERAC" booth on the HAMRADIO in Friedrichshafen.

V4 - ST CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS, NA-104
Halford,V4/K5MV, will stay on St. Kitts (NA-104) from Mar 10-17. He will work "holiday style" in SSB and CW on 160m-6m.
QSL cards should be sent to his homecall, either direct or via LoTW.

VP2V - BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS, NA-023
Tortola Island (NA-023) will be activated by Peter,VP2V/G3PHO, in CW and SSB on 160m-10m from Mar 11-18.
QSLs via bureau or direct to his homecall.

VP5 - TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS
Craig,VP5/VE3OP, announced to show up in CW, SSB and PSK-31 on all bands from Mar 9-18.
QSLs can be sent via bureau, direct or LoTW to his homecall VE3OP.

VU4 - ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ISLANDS, AS-001
Some HAMs of the Amateur Radio Society of India (ARSI) plan to become active as VU4PB from the Andaman capital Port Blair from Mar 15-31.
The team includes Ananth,VU2PAI, Aravind,VU2ABS, Basappa,VU2NXM, Chetan,VU3DMP, Deepak,VU2CDP, Gopal,VU2GMN, (team lead), Ramesh,VU2LU, Govind,VU2GGM, Devadas,VU2DH, Krishna,VU2VKU, Prasad,VU2PTT, Ramachandra,VU2RCT, Ramachandra,VU2RCR, Rohit,VU2RDQ, Sanjay,VU2SJD, Suhas,VU2SMN, and Vishnumoorthy,VU2MTT. Operation will take place in

in CW, SSB and RTTY on all bands using up to four stations. They also want to work via moonbounce on 6m.
Their QSL manager will be W3HNK, which means that QSLs are confimred only direct but reliably. Their homepage is: http://www.arsi.info/VU4PB

XV - VIETNAM
Yannick,XV4Y (ex-XV4TUJ), is using a new callsign since the beginning of March. His QTH is situated in the Mekong Delta in the south of Vietnam. Yannik and his XYL are running a "Bed & Breakfast" pension nearby the city of Can Tho near to the Cai Rang "floating market".
He is working preferably on 14276, 18126, 21312 and 7080 kHz mostly from 0700-0900 UTC and from 1330-1500 UTC. He is using a groundplane for 20m/17m/15m, a delta loop for 40m/20m/15m and a sloper for 30m.
The QSL manager is OK1DOT, cards are confirmed ONLY direct but have to be printed first.
An online logbook is available at: http://www.clublog.org

ZA - ALBANIA
I2GPT, IK2PGM, IW2HKW, IW2JOP, IZ2BKP and IZ2QCP will be active in CW and SSB on 17m/20m/30m/40m signing ZA/I2GPT from Mar 9-13.
QSL via bureau or direct via homecall.
More information can be found at: http://www.I2GPT.com or QRZ.com

7P - LESOTHO
W5KDJ & K5LBU will be QRV from the Trading Post Guesthouse in Lesotho from Mar 11-21. They will work with two stations simultaneously signing 7P8KDJ and 7P8CF in CW/RTTY/PSK/SSB on 160m-10m. More information can be found on their website: http://www.tdxs.net/lesotho2011.html
QSLs for 7P8CF via K5LBU, direct or LoTW,
QSLs for 7P8KDJ via W5KDJ, direct only with SASE, LoTW and eQSL (no QSLs via bureau).

Peter,EI7CC, is also staying in Lesotho and signs 7P8PB from Mar 9-23. He is visiting his step brother (7P8CC/EI8CC) in Maseru and can use his station as well. This is a family holiday so amateur radio is not the main part of this trip. QSLs via bureau, direct or LoTW to EI7CC.

9A - CROATIA
Zrinko ("Zik") will be active again from Croatia signing 9A/VE3ZIK from Mar 13-30. He will try to take part in the Russian DX Contest and the WPX SSB Contest. There is also a good chance to activate the nature reserve Vrana Lake (9AFF-019). QSL via DK8ZZ, bureau/LoTW/eQSL/direct.
Bureau QSLs can be requested also via e-mail: ve3zik@gmail.com

USA, SPECIAL EVENT STATION
The American "Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin" (short "OPDX") celebrates its 20th anniversary and published its 1000th issue last week. This is reason enough for the publisher the "Northern Ohio DX Association" (NODXA) to activate the special event station NO8DX/20. The operations take place on HF and via satellites on Mar 11-13.
Special QSLs can be sent via the QSL manager and editor of the OPDX, Tedd Mirgliotta,KB8NW.

The DX Newsletter congratulates Tedd and the NODXA and is very thankful
for the regular information which is also incorporated in our bulletin.

SILENT KEYS: Aisea Aisake,3D2AA, passed away at the age of 62 on Feb 26.
Last week we also lost Tapir Cassiano Araujo Sepulveda (PY6TS) and
Evgenij N. Petrov (RW9MD).

PIRATE: TJ9PF went QRT on Feb 20, 2011. Everybody who has worked this call
in RTTY on 80m on Feb 23 or in CW on 30m on Mar 1 has worked a pirate.

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de
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A survey to find out the Most Wanted RTTY DXCC entities is running
until Mar 20 on: http://rttysurvey2011.semdxa.org

Is there another DXpedition to Yemen coming up? A website has been
put up on http://7o7s.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Mar 12/13: DIG QSO Party
Mar 12: AGCW-DL QRP Contest
Mar 13: North American Sprint
Mar 13: UBA Spring Contest

IOTA collected by Fredy,DE0MST (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AS-049, JA6, Tokara Islands: Take,JI3DST/JI6, plans to activate the island
Kuchinoshima from Mar 11-20. QSL via homecall.

OC-138, VK4, QLD State (Torres Straight) Group: Craig,VK4LDX/p, will be
QRV from Horn Island from Mar 10-14. QSL via homecall.

SA-029, PY, Ilha Grande: PY2XB/1 is working holiday style mostly in CW on
40m-10m until Mar 9. QSL via bureau or direct to PT7WA.

Lighthouse activities (WLOTA/ARLHS/ILLW)

HS0ZJF/8 LH new? Koh Yao Yai Mar 10-22

Bandspots of the last 7 days

80m
K6AAX/VY2 3.789 0704Z NA-029, via K6AAX (d)

40m
EA7ICN/2/p 7.098 1303Z SOTA SS-005, (B)
MW6OTT 7.140 1845Z

30m
A65BP 10.104 1643Z via UA6MF (d)
FM/DL1CW 10.111 2043Z NA-107, via DL1CW (B)
LM11SKI 10.103 1651Z only via LA bureau
LU5FF 10.109 0548Z via EA5KB (B)
P40A 10.106 0000Z via WD9DZV (B)
SV9/ON6WP 10.118 1610Z EU-015, via homecall (d), (L)
TF/DL2JRM 10.105 1833Z via DL2JRM (B)

20m
A45XR 14.020 1623Z via A4 bureau
CE3/LU1FAM 14.220 2250Z via AC7DX (d)
FM/DL1CW 14.014 0016Z via DL1CW (B)
JY5HX 14.010 1703Z (d)
KH6MB 14.010 1703Z (L), (d)
LZ1370PRT 14.012 1635Z via LZ bureau
P43E 14.260 0019Z SA-036, (B)
PJ4/K2NG 14.001 1146Z via WA2NHA
SV0XBZ/9 14.020 1644Z via YL2VW (B), (L), eQ
VO2NS 14.019 1615Z (d), eQSL
ZL1BD 14.268 0733Z (d)
ZL2GGD 14.195 0656Z (B)
ZL50VK 14.240 0716Z via ZL1VK (B)
ZL50VK 14.027 0740Z via ZL1VK (B)
9G1AA 14.153 0807Z via PA3ERA (B)
9K2F 14.253 0714Z AS-118, via 9K2HN (B)

17m
EX8AB 18.137 1142Z see QRZ.com
IH9/I2YSB 18.075 1557Z AF-018, via I2YSB (d)
MU0GSY 18.163 1018Z EU-114, (B)
T30AQ 18.150 0900Z via SP5EAQ (B)
V5/DJ4SO 18.104 0842Z RTTY, via DJ4SO (B)

15m
A45XR 21.012 1535Z via A4 bureau
FM/DL1CW 21.024 1652Z via DL1CW (B)
J88DR 21.015 1721Z via G3TBK (B)
OE3SGA/AAW 21.030 1630Z
PJ6/G4IUF 21.017 1633Z via G4IUF
VE2CSI 21.021 1621Z via M0URX (B, OQRS)
ZF2UL 21.018 1616Z via K3UL
6W2SC 21.022 1716Z via HA3AUI (B)
8P6DR 21.011 1602Z via G3RWL (B), (L)

10m
CE3/LU1FAM 28.435 1608Z via AC7DX (d)
D2AM 28.500 1605Z via OM5AM (B)
EA8OM 28.021 1548Z via DJ1OJ (B), (L)
TJ3AY 28.495 1551Z via F5LGE (B)
ZS1A 28.511 1630Z (B), (L)

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(r) = bureau QSL via e-mail request

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

-Mar 3D2HC 1710
-Dec 3Y8XSA 1700/1717
03Mar-20Mar 4A4A 1717
-13Mar 4S7KKG 1706
-25Oct 5B50J 1700
20Feb-14Apr 5X1NH 1715
-Apr/12 5Z4RH ? 1674
01Feb-31Mar 6W2SC/J5UAP 1712
11Mar-21Mar 7P8KDJ & 7P8CF 1718 *
09Mar-23Mar 7P8PB 1718 *
13Mar-30Mar 9A/VE3ZIK 1718 *
01Mar-20Mar 9G1AA 1716
-Sep 9J2KK 1682
-Apr 9M2MRS 1697
NOW 9M6/KM9D 1699
02Mar-15Mar 9M6/VO1AU 1717
SOON 9Q1EK 1669
-Nov 9Q6CC 1699

-Aug A92IO 1663
-31Dec BP100 1684
-31Dec BV100 1684
14Mar-21Mar CN2MR 1718 *
-01May CN2PV 1714
10Mar-06Apr CT9/DL3KWR.. 1718 *
-31Dec CW5RV 1711
07Mar-15Mar CY0/N0TG 1717
-May D2AK 1675
-17Mar D2AM 1710
-22Apr D2QR 1675
-31Aug DL20Y2DM 1700
12Feb-11Mar EG8ISS 1715

09Mar-31Mar FG/F6ITD 1718 *
-Aug FO8RZ 1636
14Mar-22Mar FP/W6HGF 1718 *
-Jul/12 FR8NE 1710
-Mar FT5YK/p.. 1715
13Jan-12Apr H44MS 1710
-31Dec HB60LU 1711
23Feb-12Mar HC1MD 1715
01Jan-31Dec HG200LST 1708

-30Jun HG2011A 1713
Mar -May HI3/KL7JR 1717
Mar -May HR5/F2JD 1718 *

04Mar-16Mar KH3/KC2LSD 1717
01Jan-31Dec IA7MM 1708
01Jan-31Dec II1ITA.. 1708
05Mar-20Mar II0IDP 1717
05Mar-20Mar II0ICH 1717
01Mar-30Sep IO4UI 1717
01Jan-31Mar IO7DAI 1708
-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul/12 J28RO 1683
09Feb-10Mar J37BO & J37RO 1714
09Feb-10Mar J37RF 1714
08Mar-15Mar J6/G3PJT 1717
21Feb-28Mar J73CCM.. 1715
-12Mar J79ZZ 1718 *
16Feb-14Mar J88DR 1715
11Mar-20Mar JI3DST/JI6 1718 *

-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
POSTPONED KH5 1674/1705
-31Dec LA200D 1713
-31Mar LM11SKI 1713
NOW LU1ZA (S.O.) 1695
-Mar OA/OE3NHW 1701
-Sep P29CW 1713
08Mar-13Mar P40D 1717
01Jan-31Dec PA30.. 1708
-Mar PJ2/DF7DQ 1712
10Mar-17Mar PJ2/W5FKX.. 1718 *
21Feb-19Mar PJ7/W8EB.. 1716
-09Mar PY2XB/1 1718 *
-Dec RI1ANC 1708
24Feb-15Mar SV9/DJ7RJ 1716

NOW T6AF 1718 *
01Mar-17Mar T30AQ & T30RH 1716
2010 -May T6JC & T6TL 1695
15Feb-17Mar TG7/N6ND 1715
11Mar-18Mar TP50CE 1718 *
-Mar V21ZG 1716
08Mar-18Mar V25WY & V25OP 1717
10Mar-17Mar V4/K5MV 1718 *
16Feb-30Mar V47JA.. 1715
22Feb-15Mar V5/DJ4SO 1715
06Mar-16Mar V5/ZS6AYU 1717
10Mar-14Mar VK4LDX/p 1718 *
Nov -Mar/12 VK0KEV (Macq) 1700/1701
11Mar-18Mar VP2V/G3PHO 1718 *

09Mar-18Mar VP5/VE3OP 1718 *
07Mar-12Mar VP9/AA1AC 1717
15Mar-31Mar VU4PB 1718 *
06Mar-18Mar VX3X/W4 1717

NOW XT2RJA 1712
02Mar-28Mar XU7FMZ 1717
08Mar-15Mar XU7SSB 1716
09Mar-13Mar ZA/I2GPT 1718 *
-Sep ZD9GI 1691
-31Dec ZL50GH 1711
01Jan-31Mar ZL50VK 1708
07Mar-11Mar ZL/GD3OOK 1717
-11Apr ZS8M 1674/1711

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

A65BD via G5LP (B)
BV0EXPO via BM2JCC (B)
CE3/LU1FAM via AC7DX (d)
DV1/JO7KMB via JO7KMB (d), (L)
EE5HRX via EB5HRX (B)
EG5JRT via EA5URD (B)
EH7MDA via EA7URM
FM/KL7WA via UT5UGR (B)
HF40FO via SP2PMW (B)
HI3/KL7JR via KL7JR (d)
HP1DCP via EA5KB (B)
IH9/I2YSB via I2YSB (d)
IR2CUI via IQ2ER
J79ZZ via DL1CW (B)
J7Y via K1LI (L), (d), eQSL
KG4KL via KN4KL
L82D via LU8DR
LA/LY1AKM via LY1AKM
LO2W via LU7DSY (B)
LS1D via LW9EOC
LT5D via LU2DT (B)
LT5X via WD9EWK (B)
LY100SP via LY3BY (B)
NH0S/KH2 via JF2SKV (B)
OE/DB2TK/p via DB2TK (B)
OL1911VP via OK1DRQ (B)
OL60DG via OK1DG (L)
OL8M via OK1DRQ (B)
OP4A via ON6LY (B), (L), eQSL
OP5T via ON5UM
OT7X via ON7XT

P33W via UA3DX (B)
P40YL via AI6YL (d), (L)
PJ4/CX3AN via CX3AN (d)
PJ6/G4IUF via G4IUF (B)
PJ6/W6IZT via N7XG (B)
PJ7B via W8EB (B)
PJ7DX via I8NHJ (d)
PP3C via PY3OZ (B), (L)
PW7T via PT7WA (B)
S50ANT via S51RU (B)
SN51SZW via SP7SZW (B), (L), eQSL
SN51WPA via SQ7WPA (B), (L)
SO8N via SP8KAF
T30AQ via SP5EAQ (B)
T88TW via JE8NTJ
TJ3AY via F5LGE (B)
TM1W via F5HRY
TM2B only eQSL & LoTW
TM2C via F6KUF (B) or F8BON (B)
TM5E via F8KGS (B)
TM9FL via F5KFL (B)
TM90RCNF via F8KKH (B)
TM95BV via F6KUP (B)
TM0R via F5GGL (B), (L)
V31RR via AI4U (B)
V31RU via DG7RO (B)
V47KP via W2OX (B)
V48M via W2OX
V84NBD (d)
VP8DLM via F5PFP (B)
WH7Z via W0CN (B)
XE3MAYA via EA5KB (B)
YB0ECT via W2FB (B)
ZF2LC via W2SM (B)
ZF2UL via K3UL
ZL3RG via 9A3JB (B)
ZP6CW via ZP6CU (B), (L)
4X/K2LS via K2LS (B), (L)
5X1XA via G3SWH (B)
9K2F via 9K2HN (B)
9M6/VO1AU via VO1MX (B), (L)

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Robert,VE2HAR, writes that the Armenian QSL bureau has closed.
QSL cards for all EK HAMs have to be sent direct or to their QSL managers.

QSLs arrived direct: KL7RRC/p (NA-235, N7RO), LQ0D (SA-021, LU7DSY),
LU4ETN/D (SA-022, LU7DSY), LU7DSY/D (SA-022, LU7DSY),
LU8DWR (SA-021, LU7DSY), PJ6A (NA-145, N4NX),
PJ7E (NA-105,N4XP), XF1RCS (NA-171,N7RO), 5X0CW (DK7PE)

QSL via LoTW: A45XR, A71CW, A71/SP5EXA, D2NX, DC7CCC/p, E51PEN,HB0BB,
HR9/WQ7R, J48SAM, JY9NX, K4C, KL1V, LZ170MDS,MU/F4CRS,
MU/F4EGD, MU/F5CWU, MU/F5NHJ, OX/LA8OKA, PJ2T (2010),
PJ2/GM4AFF (2010), PJ4A (2009),PJ4D (2010),PJ4N (2010),
PJ4NX (2010), PJ4W (2010),PJ5/AH6HY (2010),PJ6A (2010),
PJ5/K1XM (2010), PZ5WP, R1ANN, T70DXC,T94MZ,TG9/DL5RMH,
TY5WP, V21ZG, V51B, V63VL, V8FWP, VK9C/G6AY, VU4MY,
ZL7/N7OU, ZL8X, 3D2OU, 3D2RO, 3DA5A, 5V7TT, 6W/PA3EWP,
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258. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC News Bulletin 2011-03-08 - Communications Academy 2011 - April 16-17, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-09 03:10:27 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4D76EF72.5080305@rac.ca>
Source record: 4898
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

March 8, 2011
Centralia, Washington
>Subject: Communications Academy 2011

Good Morning

I would like to invite any interested Hams, to attend our Communications Academy April 16 and 17 in Seattle. The following is a recent blurb I have been putting out. I'd appreciate you passing it along.

73

Jim Pace K7CEX
ARRL Section Manager
Western Washington
wwasm@comcast.net

Registration is now open for Communications Academy 2011 to be held at South Seattle Community College, April 16th and 17th. The theme this year is "Bringing Professionalism to Amateur Emergency Communications".

We have an exciting lineup of keynote speakers and breakout sessions scheduled. Something for everyone. Saturday's keynote speaker is Allen Pitts, W1AGP, Media and Public Relations Manager, from the American Radio Relay League. He will be addressing "Reality Check: The four stages of ARES".

The Sunday's keynote speaker is Alan Komenski, AC2K, State Interoperability Executive Committee, Washington State Patrol, Bellevue, Washington. You can register right now by clicking here or for general information, schedule, and more go to the Communications Academy web site. www.commacademy.org
There is a tasty menu of lunches included in the registration fee and we will have a good assortment of comm vans on display as well.

Early registration by April 3rd saves 15% and groups of 5 or more registering at the same time save an additional 10% so don't delay.
Hoping to see you there,

Your Communications Academy 2011 organizing committee.

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http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

259. HOT SEXY VIDEOS PRESENT MASLA PHOTOS FOR ADULTS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-10 08:10:18 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <6489a313-f541-4652-b8e9-a467863edf9a@b13g2000prf.googlegroups.com>
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260. MMMonVHF Newsletter 2011-03-10

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-10 17:50:38 UTC
From: MMMonVHF News Mailer <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <201103101728.p2AHSJ5p004436@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 4900
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our lastet NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2011-03-10
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter, once a week (thursday)
from now on - if any special activities will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further detail please be so kind and watch our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you vy welcome for any
input and we do hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
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** LU8EDR SK **

Unfortunately I have bad news to communicate. Daniel Bernardini, LU8EDR
passed away this morning. He was in his early fifties. He was working on
his new dish up on the roof of the house when he apparently had a deadly
heart attack. I have confirmed the bad news with several people in
Argentina. I worked with Daniel for several years. He was the best
technician I ever worked with, and also a very honest and respectful
person. He was passionate about motorcycles. Together with LU4DHD, we
made the first 23cm EME QSO from LU in 1998. RIP, Daniel.
SOURCE: Marc Franco lu6dw"at"yahoo.com via MoonNet
The Team of MMMonVHF will pass our deep sympathy and condolences
to his family. Rest in peace, Daniel! SOURCE: The MMMonVHF Team

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** NEW 6m Info-Source **

Andy, N8OFS, informed that there is a new 6m Source: www.smirk.org
SMIRK has members in 100 countries on all continents, an international
organization. We are devoted to promoting six meter activity throughout
the world. You help us by joining and promoting SMIRK over the air and
in person with other hams. SOURCE: tnx to N8OFS direct to MMMonVHF

** Great news about LU7DZ logs **

I met for dinner last night with Eduardoï¿½s girlfriend and I now have
in my hands all his logs going back 10 years. Ray wa4njp has offered

to send cards to all who need them to comfirm argentina on EME... Be AWARE that it costs about $1 to send each card. That is just US postage Be sure that you do not expect Ray to pay for all that postage and work I am having a good time in Argentina but itï¿½s not the same without my best friend LU7DZ at my side. I will be running the net on 14.345 starting the first weekend of april. Please keep it alive until I return. Thanks to all. I have passed your endless messages of sadness to all who loved him here. The town had a special celebration for him and his memory here in Villa General Belgrano. They have his picture posted in the main beer hall along with plaques in memory of the townï¿½s great friend and citizen. Those who didnï¿½t know him, Iï¿½m sorry, for those who did we share our memories of what a great and gentle guy he was. 73 and good DXing to all my friends .
SOURCE: Steve N4PZ via MoonNet

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: BY ; Square: NL97-OL14 ; Start: 2011-03-20 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3681

BY8 EME Expedition as BJ8TA at NL97UT and OL14KQ
LATEST NEWS from Michael, BD5RV/4, dated 2011-03-08: We are now preparing for the upcoming DXpedition to Yunnan. There are a few slight changes of the plan. Here is the updated schedule:
Mar. 20-23, Operation from Shangri-la (NL97ut). Activities will cover 6m, 2m, and 70cm - Mar. 29- Apr. 1, Operation from Chengjian Observatory. (OL14kq) Special callsign: BJ8TA
SOURCE: tnx to Michael Chen, BD5RV/4, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: 9N ; Square: NL27 ; Start: 2011-03-25 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3714

DXpedition to Nepal (9N) March/April 2011
Dear friends, On 25th March 2011 we will go on a DXpedition to Nepal to activate the shortwave bands and also 2m VHF/EME. To make this DX-pedition possible we would like to apply for a support for this activity by your DX-organisation. Here are the following details of the DX-pedition: Time: 25th March 2011 to 08th April 2011
Team-members: DK7AN Dr. Ernst Haberland (active contester)
DL4SVA Mr. Georg Tretow (active contester)
DK5WL Dr. Heinz-Josef Pick (before QRV from XX9, TA, VU4,VU7, FH)
DL9GFB Mr. Franz Berndt (before QRV from ZD7,3B8,VU4,VU7,C56; EA6)
Bands/modes: HF: 160m to 10m; SSB, CW, DIGI,
(focus on lowbands + DIGI-modes) VHF: 2m EME / JT65B
Read more in detail: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3714
SOURCE: tnx to Dan, HB9Q, for transfer direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** [Moon] w7eme 144.077 cw CN72 **

Aloha DUBUS es all: Please watch for my tiny CQ this weekend on .077.
I will also chase CQ's. CN72 portable single 8 wavelength, QRO and a
hot Rx. 73 - SOURCE: Jeremy, W7EME at MoonNet

** RADIO EXPEDITION SIERRA LEONE 2011 (IJ38JK) **

LATEST NEWS from 425 DX News #1035, dated 2011-03-04: The new dates for
the 9L5MS operation from Sierra Leone [425DXN 1025] are 28 March-18
April. Arie PA3A, Arie PA3AN, Ad PA8AD, Bas PD0CAV and Dickson EL2DT
will operate on 160-6 metres metres CW, SSB and RTTY, using three
stations with amplifers and several beam and vertical antennas. They
will also give 6m EME a try between 16 and 20 March. The team will
provide support and raise funds for a Mercy Ships Charity Project.
QSL via PA3AWW, direct or bureau (plus LoTW six months after the
expedition). An OQRS for direct cards is available on the expedition's
website. Further information on the project can be found at
www.sierraleone2011.com - SOURCE: 425 DX News #1035

** VU4 - ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ISLANDS, AS-001 **

Some HAMs of the Amateur Radio Society of India (ARSI) plan to become
active as VU4PB from the Andaman capital Port Blair from Mar 15-31. The
team includes Ananth,VU2PAI, Aravind,VU2ABS, Basappa,VU2NXM, Chetan,
VU3DMP, Deepak,VU2CDP, Gopal,VU2GMN, (team lead), Ramesh,VU2LU, Govind,
VU2GGM, Devadas,VU2DH, Krishna,VU2VKU, Prasad,VU2PTT, Ramachandra,
VU2RCT, Ramachandra,VU2RCR, Rohit,VU2RDQ, Sanjay,VU2SJD, Suhas,VU2SMN
and Vishnumoorthy,VU2MTT. Operation will take place in in CW, SSB and
RTTY on all bands using up to four stations. They also want to work via
moonbounce on 6m. Their QSL manager will be W3HNK, which means that
QSLs are confimred only direct but reliably. Their homepage is:
http://www.arsi.info/VU4PB - SOURCE: DXNL 1718 (Mar 9, 2011)

** 50 MHz (EME) activity in V51 in May **

Pierre, HB9QQ, will be OK to depart for V51 May the 1st. Tickets are
here.The first few days we will install and measure everything and
then we will be active during moonset from about 20i¿½ downwards. We will
have enough power and I assume we will be able to make a number of
contacts. I dont know yet whether we will have an internet access,
because the shack is way out in the bush (JG88am). We will start first
using may own call V5/HB9QQ (license is here) and afterward the guys

down there will use other call signes.
SOURCE: tnx to Lance, W7GJ and his [Magic Band EME]

** XF2P from Isla de Lobos (NA-221) **

Ismael, XE1AY and other eleven operators will be active as XF2P from Isla de Lobos (NA-221) from 29 April to 1 May. They will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on the HF bands, 6 metres and satellite (AO27, AO51 and SO50). QSL via XE1AY. SOURCE: [TNX DX World] via 425 DX News #1035

** DX Operation: Fernando de Noronha Is. **

Marcello, PY2FN will be active from the island of Fernando de Noronha (IOTA SA-003, DIB OC-01, WLOTA 1208, Grid Loc. HI36) on 2-9 July 2011. QRV using CW only on 80-6m, with focus on the 6 m-band. QSL via PY2FN
SOURCE: tnx to Bill/NG3K direct to MMMonVHF

** 50 MHz activity from V4 St.Kitts in March **

Jeff, K5MV will be active as V4/homecall from the island of St. Kitts (IOTA NA-104, Grid Loc. FK87) from 10-17 March 2011. Vacation style operating, 160 through 6 metres, SSB and CW. QSL direct only to K5MV. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW.
SOURCE: tnx to Bill/NG3K direct to MMMonVHF

** VQ51V in CQ WW WPX Contest, SSB (March 26-27, 2011) **

March 23 - April 20, 2011. Also active as VQ51V during SP DX Contest, JIDX CW Contest, and the YU DX Contest. Before and after Contests active on 160 - 6 Meters CW/SSB as VP5/W5CW. QSL Direct only via W5CW or via PO Box 88, Morris, OK 74445-0088 U.S.A
SOURCE: tnx to Bill/NG3K direct to MMMonVHF

** DX0, SPRATLY ISLANDS (DX0DX Update) **

Jim Linton/VK3PC, Public Affairs for the DX0DX, reports (edited): "The DX0DX mission to the Spratly's has been postponed to April 2012, following the initial expedition attempt in January this year.
SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1001

** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php) to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 2359 UTC ...

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The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF - Newsletter Credits & Info
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Our Newsletter is compiled from the input of the USER of the
VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF and as well by a lot of free usable
HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats
like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USER who did send us info and News **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/kontact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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261. The TimeLORD is Back!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-10 20:29:44 UTC
From: LLoyd Davies <lloydvfp2011@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <f4832220-cc97-4531-bfb0-964a0e334e0e@y36g2000pra.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4701

I'm still on NimBusters!!

http://nimbusters.org/forum/forum.php?board=8

262. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-11 02:52:08 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <0283eb8e-d968-4da1-a805-931756a3af77@u12g2000vbf.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4702

On Mar 10, 3:10 am, 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdg...@gmail.com> wrote:
> ALL HOT PHOTOS SUPER SeXY
PHOTOShttp://alltoux.blogspot.com/2010/09/hot-lip-kiss-135.html
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can the spam

263. The ARRL Letter for March 10, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-11 09:08:39 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20110310230053.08F6826E16@bmail.arrl.org>
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==> + HR 607: NPSTC SAYS HR 607 "NEEDS TO BE AMENDED"

The National Public Safety Telecommunications Council (NPSTC) -- a
federation of more than a dozen public safety communications
organizations -- has gone on record as sharing the ARRL's concerns
regarding HR 607, the Broadband for First Responders' Act of 2011. The
ARRL is actively opposing the legislation in its current form because
Section 207(d) of the bill -- introduced in the US House of
Representatives by Representative Peter King (R-NY-3) -- calls for the
reallocation of 420-440 MHz for commercial auction. The ARRL, which is
a member of the NPSTC Governing Board, has assured NPSTC members that
its opposition is limited to Section 207(d) and that it supports the
underlying objective of the legislation, which is to provide spectrum
near 700 MHz for a nationwide interoperable public safety broadband
network. Read more here
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<http://www.arrl.org/news/npstc-says-hr-607-needs-to-be-amended>.

==> + FCC NEWS: FCC ADOPTS SPREAD SPECTRUM RULES CHANGES

In a Report and Order adopted February 22 and released March 4, 2011, the FCC eliminated the requirement that amateur stations transmitting Spread Spectrum use Automatic Power Control (APC) to reduce transmitter power. At the same time, the Commission has reduced the maximum power of a Spread Spectrum emission from 100 to 10 W PEP. In March 2006, the ARRL filed a Petition for Rulemaking, asking that the APC requirement be eliminated.

The R&O explains the Commission's actions this way: "We believe that these rules changes will (1) encourage individuals who can contribute to the advancement of the radio art to more fully utilize SS technologies in experimentation, and (2) balance the interests of all users in mixed-mode and mixed-service frequency bands until sharing protocols are sufficiently developed to avoid interference." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-adopts-spread-spectrum-rules-changes>.

==> + FCC NEWS: FCC ISSUES CALIFORNIA MAN $7000 FORFEITURE ORDER FOR REFUSING FCC INSPECTION

After a Merced, California man refused to let FCC investigators inspect his Citizens Band (CB) radio station, the FCC issued a Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture (NAL) for $7000. The Commission found that Ira Jones "apparently willfully and repeatedly" violated Section 303(n) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, and Section 95.426(a) of the Commission's rules by failing to permit the inspection. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-issues-california-man-7000-forfeiture-order-for-refusing-fcc-inspection>.

==> + AMATEUR RADIO IN THE CLASSROOM: MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS TO LAUNCH NEAR-SPACE BALLOON

A group of students from Olde Towne Middle School (OTMS) in Ridgeland, Mississippi is preparing for a trip to space -- or as close as they can get. The OTMS RadioN5VEI] and Technology Club, along with the school's Science Team, are planning a near-space balloon launch at 9 AM (CDT) on March 26 (the date and time are subject to change depending on weather). The balloon -- nicknamed Titans in Space -- will use the call sign KC5NXD and is expected to reach an altitude of 94,825 feet. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/middle-school-students-to-launch-near-space-balloon>.

==> + PROPAGATION: RESPECTED JOURNAL PUBLISHES EXPLANATION FOR LOW SUNSPOTS

An article in the March 3 issue of the journal Nature purports to explain the extended sunspot minimum from 2008-2010. According to one

of the authors, Piet Martens, the last time a sunspot minimum lasted twice as long as usual was around 1913 and before that, 1810. Although solar activity has increased recently, scientists have been puzzled by the lack of sunspots from 2008-2010. This quiet period had prevented the ionosphere from supporting much of the long-range higher frequency HF Amateur Radio communication that had been expected during the past few years. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/respected-journal-publishes-explanation-for-low-sun spots>.

==> + ARES® E-LETTER NOW AVAILABLE IN AUDIO FORM

The ARES® E-Letter is now available in audio format <http://www.arrl.org/ares-e-letter-audio-version>. There are three editions currently available, including the most recent recording of the February 16 ARES® E-Letter. Edited for audio by Al Brown, KZ3AB, the ARES® E-Letter is voiced by Tony Riggs, W1FHN. Brown was licensed in 1966. He was a member of the White House Press Corps before retiring from the International Broadcasting Bureau/Voice of America (IBB/VOA). Licensed since 1955, Riggs has worked in both the commercial and public broadcasting venues. He retired after 21 years as a staff announcer and news anchor with the VOA. With more than 35,000 subscribers, the ARES® E-Letter is written by Rick Palm, K1CE and is published each month. Click here <http://www.arrl.org/ares-e-letter-audio-version> to subscribe to the ARES® E-Letter.

==> HINTS & KINKS : WEATHERPROOFING YOUR AUTOMATIC ANTENNA TUNER

Geoff Haines, N1GY, of Bradenton, Florida, sent us this idea for waterproofing your automatic antenna tuner. Contact Geoff via e-mail <n1gy@arrl.net> for more information.

As an avid Amateur Radio operator, I sometimes use an automatic antenna tuner to operate more than one band with the same antenna. My mobile unit uses an LDG RT-11 autotuner to feed a pair of "Hamstick" style antennas on several different bands. One antenna covers the lower bands and another antenna covers the higher ones. An excursion into operating "fixed portable" with a telescopic vertical had me looking for another solution.

In order to minimize the coax losses when feeding a vertical monopole away from its resonant band it is necessary to reduce the distance between the tuner and the antenna to a minimum. The use of ladder line is not feasible when the antenna is fed almost at ground level. In order to do this, it is necessary to place the tuner almost directly at the base of the antenna and thus reduce the coax run from the tuner to the antenna to nearly nothing. The coax from the tuner to the transmitter can then be any appropriate length since the mismatch has already been corrected.

Owning an LDG Z-100 automatic tuner already, I looked for a way to mount it at the base of the antenna and yet protect it from the

elements. A phone call to LDG gave me the necessary specifications for a 50 foot extension of the control cable so the only thing left was to find a workable enclosure for the tuner itself. I discussed the requirements for such an enclosure with my spouse, Audrey. Without a word, she rummaged through a kitchen cabinet and produced a semi flexible plastic container that had a snap-on lid and fit my Z-100 and its cables to a T.

I drilled four small holes in one end of the container into which I fitted two short coax jumpers, one for the antenna and one for the radio. I also made up and installed a short 4-conductor cable to connect the stock control harness to the 50 foot extension. The fourth opening was used for a similarly short insulated wire to connect the grounding stud on the Z-100 to the radial system of the antenna. Once these four cables were in place, I sealed the drilled openings with hot glue. Silicone caulk could be used just as easily, provided it will stick to the container. I did not try that because the hot glue was at hand so you are on your own there (see Figure 1).

With the jumpers connected to the tuner, the extension cable and coax were run to the transceiver and the antenna erected. Now, testing was in order. The pressing of the TUNE button on my IC-706MKIIG did exactly what it was supposed to do. The Z-100 ran through its paces and signaled a good match. Now if the afternoon showers come while I am operating "fixed portable," the only thing I have to worry about is keeping me and the radio dry. The tuner is cozy in its own little raincoat (see Figure 2).

Total cost, even if you had to buy the container new at the discount store, would probably not exceed $10. That does not include the extension control cable of course. The container was already here and I had enough UHF connectors, coax, wire and weatherproofing on hand for the project. The only thing I had to buy was the 4-conductor cable and Molex connectors to build the 50 foot extension cable.

This project has enabled me to comfortably operate "fixed portable" from the beach, at Field Day and many other events where a vertical was the only feasible antenna. As long as the container can handle the physical size of the tuner with room for the connecting cables, any automatic tuner could be protected in this way.

Do you have an idea or a simple project that has improved your operating? Maybe you've taken something commonly found around the home and developed a ham radio use for it? Why not share your hints with fellow hams in "Hints and Kinks," a monthly column in QST. If we publish your hint, you will receive $20. Send your hints via e-mail to h&k(at)arrl(dot)org or to ARRL Headquarters, Attn: "Hints and Kinks," 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111. Please include your name, call sign, complete mailing address, daytime telephone number and e-mail address.

==> ARRL FIELD DAY: 2011 FIELD DAY PACKETS AVAILABLE

It's that time of year again -- time to start gearing up for ARRL Field Day, June 25-26, 2011! ARRL's flagship operating event -- always held the fourth full weekend in June -- brings together new and experienced hams for 24 hours of operating fun. Field Day packets are now available for download <http://www.arrl.org/files/file/Field-Day/2011/2011_FD_Packet.pdf>and include the complete rules (including a change for 2011), as well as other reference items such as forms, ARRL Section abbreviation list, entry submission instructions, a Frequently Asked Questions section, guidelines for getting bonus points, instructions for GOTA stations and a kit to publicize your event with the local press. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/2011-field-day-packet-now-available>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "Fun, fun, fun in the Sun, Sun, Sun <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-ZFLKXINNns>" Cook, K7RA, reports: Solar Cycle 24 continues to ramp up at a quickening pace. The average daily sunspot number this week was more than double the value of the week before, rising from 50.9 to 114. The average daily solar flux rose 44 percent, from 96.8 to 139.4. All this week through Tuesday, the sunspot numbers and solar flux kept rising and beating old numbers, and we had to look further and further back into Solar Cycle 23 to find comparable conditions. On Tuesday, March 8, the daily sunspot number was 137. The last time the daily sunspot number was higher than this was July 7, 2005 when it was 149. Twice this week, the 10.7 cm receiver at Penticton was overloaded, swamped by energy from a solar flare and the daily solar flux value had to be estimated. On March 7 and 8, the noon solar flux readings were 938.6 and 166.7, and they were corrected by NOAA to estimated values of 153 and 155. The estimated flux level of 155 was the highest since July 23, 2004, when the solar flux was 165. Predicted solar flux for March 10-17 is 150, 145, 140, 140, 135, 130, 125, 105 and then 100 on March 18-21, then going below 100 until April 2. The predicted planetary A index for March 10-11 is 22 and 18, then 5 on March 12-21, 7 on March 22-23, 5 on March 24-26, then 7, 7, 19 and 7 on March 27-30. Note the high predicted planetary A index on March 10-11 of 22 and 18. This is because of recent solar flares, and the disturbance will probably affect signals traversing a polar route. Look for more information -- including propagation reports, as well as a critical look at last week's report of a 2 meter FM signal from South America, reportedly monitored in North Carolina, more than 4700 miles away -- on the ARRL website on Friday, March 11. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by the British television series Red Dwarf <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Red_Dwarf>.

==> AMATEUR RADIO FUN: NEW QUICKSTATS POLL NOW AVAILABLE ON ARRL WEBSITE

Four new poll questions have just been published on the QuickStats page <http://www.arrl.org/quickstats> on the ARRL website. Let your voice be heard!

Questions in this month's QuickStats poll:

- How did you sign up for ARES&#65533;?
- When was the last time you built a transceiver from a kit?
- Are your station antennas supported by a tower?
- Do you regularly operate HF mobile?

Visit the QuickStats page <http://www.arrl.org/quickstats> and be sure to bookmark it in your browser. Results from this QuickStats poll will be published in the June 2011 issue of QST on the QuickStats page, located in the rear advertising section of the magazine. Along with monthly poll results, QST QuickStats offers colorful charts and graphs that highlight interesting Amateur Radio statistics.

==> THIS WEEK ON THE RADIO

This week:

- March 12 -- AGCW QRP Contest; ARCI HF Grid Square Sprint
- March 12-13 -- Idaho QSO Party
- March 13 -- North American Sprint (RTTY); SKCC Weekend Sprint; UBA Spring Contest (CW)
- March 13-14 -- Wisconsin QSO Party; EA PSK31 Contest
- March 15-16 -- CLARA HF Contest

Next week:

- March 19 -- 10-10 International Mobile Contest; AGCW VHF/UHF Contest; Feld Hell Sprint (local time)
- March 19-20 -- Oklahoma QSO Party; North Dakota QSO Party; Russian DX Contest
- March 19-21 -- Virginia QSO Party; BARTG HF RTTY Contest
- March 21 -- Run for the Bacon QRP Contest
- March 23 -- SKCC Sprint

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more info. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- March 11-12 -- ARRL Oklahoma Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/oklahoma-section-convention-green-country-hamfest>,
Claremore, Oklahoma
- March 12-13 -- ARRL North Carolina Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/north-carolina-section-convention-charlotte-ham

fest>,
Concord, North Carolina
- March 19 -- ARRL West Texas Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-texas-section-convention-56th-annual-st-pa
trick-s-day-hamfest>,
Midland, Texas; ARRL Nebraska State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/nebraska-state-convention-1>, Lincoln,
Nebraska
- March 25 -- ARRL Maine State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/maine-state-convention-1>, Lewiston,
Maine
- March 26 -- ARRL Maryland State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/maryland-state-convention-greater-baltimore-ham
boree-computerfest>,
Timonium, Maryland
- April 2 -- ARRL New Jersey State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/new-jersey-state-convention-1>, Ewing,
New Jersey
- April 21 -- ARRL Idaho State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/idaho-state-convention-1>, Boise, Idaho
- April 23 -- ARRL Louisiana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/louisiana-state-convention-twin-city-ham-radio-
fest>,
Monroe, Louisiana; ARRL North Carolina State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/north-carolina-state-convention-raleigh-hamfest
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Message-ID: <20110311100004.5F0E633C49@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4704
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1753 - March 11 2011

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1752 with a release date of
Friday, March 4, 2011 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Three hamsats are lost when a launch booster
fails to achieve orbit, the FCC changes the rules on ham radio use of
Spread Spectrum, Argentina is heard on 2 meter FM in North Carolina and
a Digital Amateur Radio record is established down-under. Find out the
details are on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1752 coming
your way right now.

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: THREE HAMSATS LOST IN TAURUS XL LAUNCH FAILURE

A launch failure has lead to the demise of several new ham radio birds.
Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, is in the newsroom with the details:

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Three amateur radio satellites were lost when a launch booster failed
to achieve orbit. The satellites were launched from Vandenberg Air
Force Base in California at 10:09 UTC on Friday, March 4th on board an
Orbital Sciences Taurus XL rocket.

According to news reports, its believed that the launchers fairing
which covers the satellites on top of the rocket, did not separate
properly. This added drag prevented the Taurus XL from gaining enough
momentum to attain orbit.

The ham radio payload consisted of the Explorer-1, KySat-1 and Hermes.
The rocket is believed to have crashed near the Antarctic.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, in Los Angeles.

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By the way, Bill actually saw and photographed the launch from his
front lawn in Santa Clarita, California. That's at least 80 miles from
Vandenberg Air Force Base. He says that it was the brightest abject in
the night sky. His pictures, which were a last minute idea are
grab-shots taken without a tripod. They are posted in his 2011 photo
album on Facebook. (Southgate, ARNewsline(tm))

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RESCUE RADIO: CHRISTCHURCH NZ HAM RADIO QUAKE ASSISTANCE WINDS DOWN

Ham radio emergency communications operations in the wake of the recent Christchurch, New Zealand, earthquake have just about wound down.

In an e-mail to Newsline's Jim Meachen, ZL2BHF, Richard Smart, ZL4FZ, who is head of the Amateur Radio Emergency Communications team says hat Christchurch has made or is making the transition from rescue to recovery. As such the normal services such as cellular, landline and internet are being progressively restored, although they are yet far from completely reliable at this stage. Cellular in particular, suffers from periods where calls can be received but not made or unable to get any service at all as the very high loads seem to swamp the switches.

Smart says that some cellular sites have been damaged by buildings collapsing or have been dismantled to allow demolition work to occur. ZL4FZ says that the damage has affected the capacity of the networks as infrastructure essential to Christchurch in many cases traverses the closed off centre of the city and will either need to be bypassed or overbuilt.

Other essential services, water, power and sewage are being restored, although for some the restoration will likely be long and protracted. This he says is an indication of the very large number of faults and breaks that have occurred.

Smart ends by telling ZL2BHF that at this time only informal amateur communications is being heard on the repeaters during the day. but there is no formal AREC activation at this time. (ARNewsline(tm) via ZL2BHF, ZL4FZ)

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RADIO LAW: FCC CHANGES PART 97 SPREAD SPECTRUM RULES

Back in the United States, the FCC has changed the rules regarding the way in which radio amateurs can use Spread Spectrum technology.

In its Report and Order released March 4th, the regulatory agency has eliminated the requirement that amateur stations transmitting Spread Spectrum to use Automatic Power Control or APC to reduce transmitter power. At the same time, the Commission has reduced the maximum power of a Spread Spectrum emission from 100 to 10 watts PEP.

The changes are to Sections 97.311 and 97.313 of the Commission's Rules. This all will become effective 30 days after the Report and Order is published in the Federal Register. (FCC)

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RADIO LAW: MORE CHANGES MADE TO EAS LAWS

The FCC has made more changes to its Emergency Alert System rules. This, to allow for national EAS testing and data collection from such tests.

The commission's Part 11 rules now say all EAS participating stations must take part in national tests of the EAS system. The first national EAS test must use the Emergency Alert Notification and the live event code for nationwide presidential alerts. Whenever the national test occurs, it replaces the monthly and weekly EAS tests for that particular month and week.

The new rules require the FCC to give stations at least two months' notice before a national test; and stations must submit test-related diagnostic information. This includes whether they received the alert, if they re-transmitted it and the make and model of their EAS encoder/decoder. And the submission is due to the FCC within 45 days. The data won't be released to the public but can be shared with other federal agencies and state governmental emergency management agencies.

These latest changes, were adopted on February 2nd. Thy have now been published in the Federal Register and are in effect. The goal of the national test is to determine whether EAS functions as intended to deliver a national presidential alert. (RW, FCC)

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PROPAGATION: ARGENTINA HEARD IN NORTH CAROLINA ON 2 METER FM ON WIRE ANTENNA

The recent sunspots have brought some interesting propagation. Even on some of the VHF and UHF bands.

According to W0WOI reporting over the VHF Reflector, at 16:55 U-T-C on March 2nd, Johnathon Ballard, KI4UKF who lives in Stokes County, North Carolina heard Claudio Costa, LW2ECC in Argentina calling CQ on 144.48 MHz FM.

What really makes this interesting is that KI4UKF was using a Moxon wire antenna tacked to a wall. He said the signal was steady for several minutes at about S6, before it faded away. H e emailed Claudio, who confirmed the transmission. Claudio reported that he was using three 5/8 wave verticals and 160 watts. (W0WOI via VHF Reflector)

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BREAKING DX NEWS: DX0DX SPRATLEY ISLAND ON HOLD

The DX0DX mission to the Spratly's has been postponed to April 2012. This, following the initial expedition attempt in January this year.

Team Leader VK3FY says he is determined to recover as much of the costs as possible to put things right for all the team members, sponsors, organizations and individuals involved. This rare DX-entity was to have been activated from 6 January 2011 until 1 February 2011.

More DX news later on in this weeks Amateur Radio Newsline report. (Southgate)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the world including the W5DSC repeater serving Victoria, Texas.

(5 sec pause here)

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ENFORCEMENT: FLORIDA UNLICENSED BROADCASTER ISSUED $20,000 NOTICE OF APPARENT LIABILITY FOR FORFEITURE

The FCC has issued a $20,000 Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture to Whisler Fleurinor. This for his alleged willful and repeated violated section 301 of the Communications Act by operating an unlicensed radio transmitter at his commercial property in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Here's the back-story.

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On March 16th and August 24th of 2010, in response to complaints about an unlicensed station on 99.5 MHz, agents from the Enforcement Bureau's Miami Office used direction finding techniques to locate the source of radio frequency transmissions on to a commercial property in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. The FCC says it found that the property is owned by Whisler Fleurinor.

On March 16, 2010, the agents determined that the signals from Mr. Fleurinor's building exceeded the limits for operation under Part 15 of the Commission's and therefore required a license. Following up, on August 24th, the FCC agents inspected the unlicensed station. The Commission says that at that time Mr. Fleurinor showed them his antenna and transmitter. He admitted that the equipment was his, and then turned off the transmitter.

Prior to leaving the property, the agents issued a Notice of Unlicensed Operation to Fleurinor, which he signed acknowledging that he was in receipt of it. The Notice warned that operation of an unlicensed station violated the Communications Act and the Rules and could result in further enforcement action.

But the Commission alleges that not long after Fleurinor came back on the air with the unlicensed station. And so it was that on August 31, 2010, agents from the Miami Office again used direction-finding techniques to locate the source of radio frequency transmissions on 99.5 MHz to Mr. Fleurinor's commercial property in Fort Lauderdale. The agents again determined that these signals exceeded the limits for operation under Part 15 of the Rules and therefore required a license. As such, Whisler Fleurinor was issued a second Notice of Unlicensed Operation.

Pursuant to the Commission's Forfeiture Policy Statement and the base forfeiture amount for operation without an instrument of authorization is $10,000. In assessing the monetary forfeiture amount, the FCC says that it must also take into account the statutory factors set forth in section 503(b)(2)(E) of the Communications Act. These include the nature, circumstances, extent, and gravity of the violations, and with respect to the violator, the degree of culpability, any history of prior offenses, ability to pay, and other such matters as justice may require. Consequently, the $10,000 base forfeiture amount is subject to adjustment.

The FCC says that as proven by its investigation, on two separate occasions Fleurinor was issued a Notice of Unlicensed Operation. It says that despite having acknowledged receipt of both notices that he continued to operate the unlicensed radio station. It says that the fact that Fleurinor continued to operate with full knowledge that such activity violated the Communications Act and the FCC's Rules demonstrates a deliberate disregard for the Commission's requirements. As such it believes that the $20,000 proposed fine is warranted.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP, in Scottsdale, Arizona.

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The action in this case was adopted and released on March 4th, 2011. Whisler Fleurinor was given the customary 30 days to pay the $20,000 forfeiture amount or to file an appeal. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC ISSUES OFFICIAL CITATION FOR ERRANT WIRELESS CAMERA

The FCC has issued an Official Citation to SecurityMan Inc. of Ontario, California. This, for marketing a non-compliant wireless camera that caused interference to other service.

According to the Citation, the camera in question apparently radiated an excessive second harmonic of the 902 to 928 MHz band on which it was designed to operate. This in turn caused interference to a nearby PCS cell site.

The matter goes back to In December 2009. That's when the FCC's Enforcement Bureau received a complaint alleging that the SecurityMan SM-302T wireless camera was causing harmful interference to U.S. Cellular's licensed operation of its PCS network in the 1850 to 1865 MHz band. If you do the math, a second harmonic of a 902 to 928 MHz transmitter has a good chance of falling within the cellular P-C-S band.

Once suspicious that the camera might be the cause of the interference, Enforcement Bureau staff visited the SecurityMan web site at www.securitymaninc.com. There they observed that SecurityMan was marketing the SecurityMan SM 302T wireless camera. They then purchased

a SecurityMan SM 302T wireless camera, and forwarded it to the FCC's Office of Engineering and Technology Laboratory for testing. The lab's tests demonstrated that the SecurityMan SM-302T does not comply with the radiated emission limits specified in sections 15.249(d) and 15.209 of the rules. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: LASER HITS COCKPIT OF PHOENIX NEWS HELICOPTER

Pointing a laser at aircraft is illegal and now authorities in Phoenix, Arizona, are looking for whomever it was that did just that to a news chopper. Jeff Clark, K8JAC, has more:

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A Phoenix news helicopter was the victim of an attack from the ground in late February. This as someone shot a bright laser beam into its cockpit that was also caught by the choppers on-board camera.

According to The Arizona Republic, authorities are currently investigating the incident and have yet to identify the perpetrator. The newspaper goes on to note that local police actually searched door-to-door in the area where the beam originated but so far have come up empty handed.

A spokesman with the Federal Aviation Administration commenting on the incident said that the message here is very simple. If you want to engage in this kind of dangerous and irresponsible behavior, you can be caught and arrested.

Im Jeff Clark, K8JAC.

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The helicopter in question shoots footage for multiple Phoenix stations. These include CBS-affiliate KPHO and independent station KTVK. If caught, and if prosecuted by the perpetrator of this stunt could face up to 20 years in prison. (Published news reports)

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RESCUE RADIO: COMMUNICATIONS ACADEMY 2011

Registration is now open for Communications Academy 2011 to be held at South Seattle Community College, April 16th and 17th. ARRL Western Washington Section Manager Jim Pace, K7CEX, says that the theme this year is "Bringing Professionalism to Amateur Emergency Communications".

According to Pace, planners has an exciting lineup of speakers and breakout sessions scheduled. Saturday's keynote speaker is ARRL Media and Public Relations Manager Allen Pitts, W1AGP. He will be presenting an address titled "Reality Check: The four stages of ARES." On Sunday, Alan Komenski, AC2K, State Interoperability Executive Committee of the Washington State Patrol.

Early registration by April 3rd saves you 15% and groups of 5 or more registering at the same will save an additional 10%. You can register right at www.commacademy.org. (Press Release)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: VHF CONVENTION DOWN-UNDER IN APRIL

The show must go on down-under. This with word that the Wellington VHF Group will hold its VHF Convention from April 22nd to the 24th Tawa College in Tawa. This years convention is being held in conjunction with the annual Wellington Radio Expo and Wellington Expo-11.

According to planners, the VHF Convention offers a great program line-up for both the newcomer and the experienced radio amateur alike. Some of the topics include forums on VHF, ATV, Satellites, Special Interest Groups and a forum for Repeater and Beacon Trustees.

More information along with registration forms are available on the Wellington VHF Group website. Its in cyberspace at www.vhf.org.nz (Wellington VHF Group)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: HAPPY 20th BIRTHDAY TO THE OPDX NEWSLETTER

And congratulations to our friends at the Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin which celebrated its 20th anniversary and published its 1000th issue last week. To celebrate, the Northern Ohio DX Association which publishes the on-line newsletter was to activate the special event station NO8DX/20 between March 11th and the 13th. If you made contact, please send your QSL via the events QSL manager and editor of the OPDX, Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW at his callbook address. (DXNL)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: NAMIBIAN AMATEUR RADIO LEAGUE CELEBRATES 21st ANNIVERSARY

And on March 21st the Namibian Amateur Radio League or NARL celebrate its 21st birthday. At the same time Namibia will celebrate 21 years of its own independence.

To commemorate these two event the NARL has been issued the special event callsign V521NAM. Plans are to activate the call from Saturday the March 19th to Monday the 21st. All amateurs in Namibia are allowed to use the special event callsign for the duration of the event but they will be required to send in their logs so the NARL QSL Bureau can send out special QSL cards to all worked stations.

All incoming QSL's should be via sent via the bureau or electronically using e-qsl. More on this special event operation is on the web at www.qsl.net/narl. (NARL)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the

United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline

with links to the world from our only official website at

www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer

services of the following radio amateur:

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WORLDBEAT: INTERNATIONAL MARCONI DAY - APRIL 30th

This years International Marconi Day takes place on Saturday April 30th. This is not a contest but there are several awards available for working the officially listed stations, each of which has an historic connection with Marconi. The event is organized by the Cornish Amateur Radio Club. For more information please visit the club's website at crac.g4usb.net/cracblog. (GB2RS)

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WORLDBEAT: CANADIAN HAMS ASK RAC FOR ASSISTANCE IN RIDDING PLASMA TV INTERFERENCE

Members of Canada's Niagara Peninsula Amateur Radio Club say that noise and signals originating from Plasma screen digital television sets are causing considerable interference to their HF activities. They have asked their national society for help.

According to a news release from Radio Amateurs of Canada, complaints of this nature require specific and detailed information before it can consider taking this matter to telecommunications regulator Industry Canada. To gather this information, Radio Amateurs of Canada invites its members who own a Plasma screen television receivers to report their experiences of interference from such products. Specifically, these reports should describe the make and model of TV, a description of their HF station and antenna system and the exact nature of the interference. This means what bands are affected, what the interference sounds like and any other pertinent information. Remedies should also be tried and reported such as using ferrite chokes on power cords and signal cables if interference is detected.

Amateurs with advanced instrumentation such as spectrum analyzers and calibrated antennas should measure signal intensity levels at given distances; these measurements will add credibility to our investigation. Canadian hams suffering from this type of interference should send their reports to Norm Rashleigh, VE3LC, via email to ve3lc (at) rac (dot) ca. (RAC)

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WORLDBEAT: RNW LAUNCHES IPHONE APP IN 9 LANGUAGES

Radio Netherlands Worldwide has developed a free news application in nine languages for the Apple iPhone. This application gives iPhone users 24-hour access to Radio Netherlands latest internet postings, including web articles, radio programs, videos and podcasts. The application called RNW. It is available free of charge from the iPhone App Store. (Media Network)

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DX

In DX, word that JA1JQY, JA1KJW and JA8VE will be active from Thimphu Bhutan between April 19th and the 26th. Operations will be on 160 through 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL as directed by the operators.

DL7BC will be active from Morocco as CN2BC during the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest as a Single-Op, All-Band, Low-Power entry. QSL his operation via DL7BC. You can visit his Web page at www.qslnet.de/dl7bc for further information regarding this one.

VE3ZIK will be once again active portable 9A from Croatia between March 13th and the 30th. He also plans to be active in the Russian DX Contest, the CQ WPX SSB Contest and mentions that there is a good chance he will be on from Vrana Lake as well. QSL via DK8ZZ, via the bureau, Logbook of the World, eQSL or direct. E-mail Bureau requests for QSLs can go to ve3zik (at) gmail (dot) com.

And keep an ear open for F2JD will once again be active as stroke HR5 from Copna, Honduras starting mid-March and continuing through to mid-May. Operations will be on all HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL via F6AJA.

A group of hams from the Amateur Radio Society of India plan to become active as VU4PB from the Andaman Island capital Port Blair. This, from March 15th through the 31st. Modes used will be CW, SSB and RTTY on all bands using up to four stations. They also hope to work via moonbounce on 6 meters. Their QSL manager will be W3HNK, which means that QSLs are confirmed only direct but reliably.

Lastly, I2DMI will be active as CE0Y from

Easter Island between July 30th and August 8th.

His operation will be RTTY and what bands he

plans to use are at this time unknown. QSL via

his home callsign.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: DIGITAL ATV RECORD SET DOWN

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And finally this week, word that new records for Digital Amateur Television have been set down-under. Robert Broomhead, VK3DN, of the WIA News is here with an in-depth look at what took place to make it all happen:

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On Wednesday evening, 23 February 2011, Digital Amateur Television signals from Victoria were received in the northwest of VK7 by Winston, VK7EM. After noting the band conditions improving with a lift in the 70cm beacon strength and the appearance of Community TV Channel 31, Winston monitored VK3RTV, the Melbourne Digital ATV repeater.

At around 5.30pm color bars appeared. Then with liaison with Peter VK3BFG on 147.4 MHz simplex, who had made sure the repeater was activated, live pictures were organized, with Peter proudly showing off his equipment with a very professional `on camera' appearance.

Word spread and other stations like Neil VK3BCU, John VK3DQ, and Jack VK3WWW joined in. At one stage there were two independent pictures arriving, John 3DQ on one channel, VK3RTV1 and Peter 3BFG on VK3RTV2, and both in contact with each other.

At 8.00 PM signals on VK3RTV began to fade. It was then that a separate receiver monitoring 1250 MHz suddenly came to life with a perfect color bar signal. A call on 2 meters established that it was Rob, VK3TRX who chatted and then held up a 10 gig. antenna he will use in an upcoming ATV field day. These pictures on 23 centimeters analogue FM, became quite noise free.

The equipment used by Winston consisted of home-brew yagis on each band to a K7MEM design, masthead mounted preamplifiers designed by VK5EME, fed into a Teac SDB451 Digital Set Top Box on 70 centimeters, while for 23 centimeters a Drake ESR 700 satellite receiver.

I'm Robert, VK3DN.

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For those listeners in North America who have never heard the term "lift conditions" it's the way most of the rest of the world describes what we call improved band conditions, especially on frequencies at and above 50 MHz. (WIA News)

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editor's desk, I'm Jim Davis, W2JKD, says 73 and we thank you for listening.

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GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 13th March 2011

The news headlines:

* Air Cadets on the Air

* Science week open day in Dorset

* Yahoo 6m repeater constructors group

The Air Cadets of Chester 610 squadron are holding a radio weekend with the help of the Chester and District Amateur Radio Society over the weekend of 19 and 20 March. They plan to put HF, VHF and UHF stations on the air. Cadets will be able to get hands on experience of operating radio transmitting and receiving equipment in speech, Morse code and digital modes on both amateur and air cadet frequencies. The organisers are encouraging other amateurs who hear the cadets on the air to call in and speak to them. This event will see the launch of the Squadron's own permanent radio station under the supervision of Corporal Neil Hosker of the Royal Auxiliary Air Force.

As part of National Science and Engineering week, Flight Refuelling Amateur Radio Society will hold an Open Day on Saturday 19 March at their HQ in Merley Park Road, Wimborne, Dorset. Exhibits and demonstrations based on this year's communication theme will be on display to visitors as well as a Tesla coil demonstration. Local BATC members will stream the event live on the internet via their website www.batc.tv. Enquiries about the event can be obtained, via e-mail, to G4POF@hotmail.com.

A Yahoo 6m repeater constructors group has been set up at uk6mrepeatercons@yahoogroups.co.uk. The idea behind the group is to pool resources together to aid the construction of 6m repeaters, which pose a unique set of challenges. The group is by no means restricted in frequency, in fact it is open for debate for all repeaters using duplexers. It is hoped that this group can have a UK bias and be used in conjunction with the already established yahoo repeater-builders group.

The Amateur Radio Section of ORF, the Austrian Broadcasting Corporation, in conjunction with the Documentary Archives Radio Communications QSL Collection will operate OE11M from 0000UTC on 29 April to 2359UTC on 1 May. OE11M is an official International Marconi Day station and contacts made on 30 April are valid for the IMD Award.

QSL via OE-Bureau or direct to OE1WHC. Cards without SAE & new IRC or dollars to cover postage will be processed via Bureau.

The 2011 International Museums Weekend special event will once again be a double-weekend and will take place on 18 and 19 June as well as 25 and 26 June. Radio amateurs are encouraged to participate in this event by setting up stations in their local museums. Harry, M1BYT, who is organising the event, asks that all those intending to take part should register their museum via e-mail to harry.m1byt@tiscali.co.uk. Full details of the event can be found on the International Museums Weekend website at www.ukradioamateur.co.uk/imw. And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

Today, 13 March, Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club Rally will be held at Wood Green Animal Shelter, King's Bush Farm, A1198 London Road, Godmanchester, Cambs PE29 2NH. Doors open at 10am and admission is £3. There will be trade stands and a Bring & Buy. Contact John, G0GKP, on 01954 200072.

Also today, 13 March, the 26th Wythall RC Radio and Computer Rally will be held at Woodrush Sports Centre, Shawhurst Lane, Hollywood, nr Birmingham B47 5JW on the A435, 2 miles from J3 of the M42. Entry is £2 and there will be trade stands and a Bring & Buy. Contact Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

The Lagan Valley ARS Rally will take place on 19 March in the Village Centre, 7 Ballynahinch Road, Hillsborough. Doors open at 11.30am and there will be plenty of trade stands as well as on-site catering. Contact Jim, GI0DVU, on 02892 662 270.

27th Yeovil QRP Convention will take place on 20 March in Digby Hall, Hound Street, Sherborne, Dorset DT9 3AA. The venue adjoins the central shopping car park. Doors open at 9.30am and talk-in is provided on S22. There will be trade stands, lectures and a Bring & Buy. DIS. Contact Derek, M0WOB, 01935 414 452.

Now for the news of special events

As part of Omagh District Council's annual St Patrick's Day celebrations, West Tyrone Amateur Radio Club will be on air from Omagh Arts Centre from 12 noon until 5pm on Thursday 17 March with the callsign GB1SPD. They will be active on all bands as the club demonstrates amateur to the general public.

Special event station GB2SPD will be operating from the QTH of Martin, 2I0WAI from 17 March to celebrate St Patrick's Day. The station will operate all bands and hope to have a PSK31 station on air too. QSL information and other details are as listed on qrz.com.

The Humber Fortress DX Amateur Radio Club will be putting GB0BB on the air on the weekend of 18 to 20 March from Fort Paull in East Yorkshire. The station will celebrate the 6th anniversary of the Blackburn Beverley XB259 aircraft. Operators and guests are welcome. See qrz.com

for details of the weekend's events.

GB1IMW will be operational from Mepal & Witcham Primary School, Mepal near Ely in Cambridgeshire. The operation is part of the children's study and participation in National Science Week for Communications from 14 to 18 March, which includes Red Nose Day. They will be operating nationally on 80m and 40m and locally on 2m, 6m and 70cm. The organisers ask that amateurs please do answer the children's CQs.

Between 13 March and 3 April GB8HBW and GB0CMR will be on the air celebrating 85 years of Hospital Radio in the UK. GB8HBW will be operating in the Newbury area and GB0CMR is in Hinckley for Castle Mead Radio. And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

EI7CC will be active as 7P8PB from Maseru in Lesotho until 23 March. His operating time will be limited because he will be on a family holiday. QSL EI7CC via the bureau or direct. Logs will be uploaded to Logbook if the World immediately upon his return to Ireland.

MJ0ASP is returning to Marrakech, Morocco, between 14 and 21 March and will be active as CN2MR. Operation will be on 40 through 10 meters using CW. He says that he will focus on the 30, 17 and 12 metre bands. QSL via MJ0ASP.

Roger CT8/G3SXW and Lionel CT8/G5LP will operate from San Miguel Island, Azores, IOTA reference EU- 003, on 16 and 17 March. The Azores used to have the prefix CU but this is now changed to CT8. They hope to be active for several hours each day with the Elecraft K2, CW only. QSL via their home callsigns and Logbook of The World.

Allan, W6HGF plans to stage a one-man expedition to Miquelon from 14 to 22 March. Activity is planned on all bands, with focus on RTTY and other digital modes.

Radio amateurs from the Amateur Radio Society of India plan to be active as VU4PB from the Andaman capital Port Blair from 15 to 31 March. Operation will take place using CW, SSB and RTTY on all bands with up to four stations on the air. The group also want to work via moonbounce on 6m. Their QSL manager will be W3HNK.

Now the contest news

The CW leg of the 80m Club Championships will take place on 16 March between 2000 and 2130UTC. The exchange will be signal report and serial number.

The 1.3GHz UK Activity Contest will also take place on 16 March from 2000 to 2230UTC. Using all modes, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The BARTG HF RTTY Contest runs for 48 hours starting 0200UTC on the 19th. Single operator stations can make a 6-hour all-band or 30-hour single-band or all-band entry, while multi-op stations can be single

transmitter or multi transmitter, but only enter the full 48 hours. There are no differing categories for different power levels. The 3.5 to 28MHz bands are used and the exchange is signal report, serial number and time.

The Russian DX Contest takes place for 24 hours over the same weekend from 1200 to 1200UTC. This is a CW/SSB event that includes the interesting possibility of submitting two single-band entries, for example 10m and 80m. Work everyone and send a signal report and serial number, but expect Russian stations to send you a signal report and a 2-letter Oblast code. And now the solar factual data for the period from the 28th of February to the 6th of March, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on the 7th of March.

The latest smoothed sunspot numbers are now available and are for June, July and August 2010 and are 16.4, 16.8 and 17.4 respectively.

First one, then two and, by the end of the period, three large sunspot groups dominated the solar disc. One of these groups was the largest so far for this sunspot cycle. Despite their size and magnetic complexity, all three groups failed to produce a major flare in the M or X class level. Numerous C class solar flares took place most days, the largest was a C8 that occurred on the 6th. Solar flux levels increased steadily day after day increasing from 96 units on the 28th to 143 by the 6th. This is the highest level since the 1st of December 2003. In fact there was only one other day in 2003 that saw flux levels at the same level and that was in January. The average was 121 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 6th was 90 units. That's four units up on last week. X-ray flux levels did not fare as well, only showing a slight rise from B2.2 units to B6.6 by the 5th. The 6th saw a sizable increase to B9.6 units. The average was B5.1 units. This could be one reason, along with others, why solar flare activity was limited in size. Exactly as forecast, a coronal hole disturbance arrived on the 1st and rumbled on until well into the 4th. The most disturbed day was the 1st with an Ap index of 31 units. The average was Ap 12 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds increase from 290 kilometres per second to 700 by the next day. Speeds then gradually declined and by the end of the period were down to 450 kilometres per second. Particle densities were low except for a brief rise to 18 particles per cubic centimetre on the 1st. Bz showed little variations except for the 1st which fluctuated between minus and plus 15 nanoTeslas.

And now the solar forecast. Over recent weeks the Sun has shown an increase in activity. Will this continue for another week? The answer is maybe. Remember, activity can die away as quickly as it starts. With large sunspot groups on each side of the Sun and always having one in view from Earth, solar activity is expected to be low to moderate. Solar flux levels could well be above the 100 mark on some days, if not all. Geomagnetic activity should be predominantly quiet, no coronal holes are expected, however, if a large solar flare takes place and a

coronal mass ejection heads are way then activity could increase substantially. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 24MHz for the south and 21MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows are expected to be about 9MHz. Paths this week to the Middle East should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 25MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 20MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 100 and 1500 hours.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your

transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS We welcome Eddie, M0WDE as a new primary newsreader for the Lincoln area on 2m FM. He joins Jim, G0EJQ who now becomes reserve newsreader at 10.30am on Sundays. The opportunity has also been taken to change the existing reading from 145.525MHz to the Lincoln repeater, GB3LM. From now on, listen on its output frequency, 145.725MHz for this news bulletin. However 145.525MHz simplex will be used on any occasion when the repeater is out of service. Eddie and Jim will appreciate reception reports and comments on this new arrangement during their after-news net.

On Sunday 13 March Hucknall Rolls Royce Amateur Radio Club is holding a fox hunt in Bestwood Country Park. More information from Dave Wilde, G1YAI, on 0844 4355593.

On Sunday 13 March Midland Amateur Radio Society Club is visiting the Wythall Radio Rally. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 01214 229 787.

On Sunday 13 March South Birmingham Radio Society is running the Wythall Radio Rally at Windrush Sports Centre. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Monday 14 March Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is operating on VHF. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548478, daytime.

On Monday 14 March Leicester Radio Society is having a presentation on PCB CAD by Duncan. Contact Alex, G8FCQ, on 0753 120 1640.

On Monday 14 March South Birmingham Radio Society is unloading the trailer and having a rally debrief. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Monday 14 March South Normanton Alfreton & District Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night. Details from A Lawrence, 2E0BQS, by email to adylawri@btinternet.com.

On Monday 14 March Stratford Upon Avon District Radio Society is having a test equipment evening with John, G0JUQ. Contact G0CHO, on 01608 664488.

On Tuesday 15 March Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is watching a video. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 15 March Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is having a vintage equipment evening. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319. On Wednesday 16 March Hinckley Amateur Radio Society is having Health & Safety risk assessments by Keith Tonks. Details from John, M0JAV, on 07836 731544.

On Wednesday 16 March Lincoln Short-Wave Club is having a natter night and putting G5FZ on the air. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

On Wednesday 16 March Midland Amateur Radio Society is planning for rallies and contests and running training classes. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 01214 229 787.

On Wednesday 16 March Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on kites as antenna supports by Roger, G4ROJ. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday 17 March Cheltenham Amateur Radio Association is holding a constructors' exhibition. Contact Derek Thom, G3NKS, on 01242 241099.

On Thursday 17 March Solihull Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on crystal radio receivers by Geoff Roberts, G8DHI. Contact P T Gaskin, G8AYY, on 0121 628 7383.

On Thursday 17 March South Birmingham Radio Society is holding training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Friday 18 March Coventry Amateur Radio Society is having a construction night for Project 2011. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777363.

On Friday 18 March Hucknall Rolls Royce Amateur Radio Club is having a general club meeting. More information from Dave Wilde, G1YAI, on 0844 4355593.

On Friday 18 March Nunsfield House Amateur Radio Group is working on its RSGB project. Details from Ken Frankcom, G3OCA, on 01332 720976.

On Friday 18 March South Birmingham Radio Society is having a construction evening. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Saturday 19 March Lincoln Short-Wave Club invites M3s, M6s and 2E0s to use 400W on HF. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND On Monday 14 March Bolton Wireless Club is having a talk by RSGB President Dave Wilson, M0OBW. For details, send an email to boltonwireless@gmail.com.

On Monday 14 March Macclesfield & District Radio Society is having a talk on fox hunting by Simon Faulkner, M0TGT. More information from Roger Bell, M0GMG, on 0771 258 9163.

On Monday 14 March Scarborough Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on the history of Ever Ready by Bob Alders, M0GAP. Details from Jerry Scarr, G6LBL, on 01751 476601.

On Monday 14 March Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is holding an open evening for National Science Week. The evening will include demonstrations of short wave and VHF/UHF amateur radio including HF, VHF satellite communications, data modes and the state of the art D-Star repeater system. In addition there will be a display of equipment, amateur radio videos and printed information. Visitors will be able to meet the club members and, in particular, obtain information on how to obtain an amateur radio licence through the club's highly successful courses. Children under 18 MUST be accompanied by a parent or other responsible adult family member. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 14 March Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on the treasure of the Humboldt Glacier by Mick, G4EZM. Details on the web at www.tcars.org.uk.

On Monday 14 March Workington and District Radio and IT Group is having a talk on phased verticals by Steve, G0MTD. For more information get in touch with Barry Easdon, G0RZI, on 01946 812092.

On Tuesday 15 March Chester & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk at Burley Hall on RAYNET by Jon Mossman. Details from Barbara Green on 07957 870770.

On Tuesday 15 March Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on choosing the equipment and antenna for a /P station by Richard M0RBG, including a demonstration of his portable mast and multiband antenna. Contact Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341317.

On Tuesday 15 March Otley Amateur Radio Society is having an open shack night with technical chat. Contact Paul, 2E0PAK, on 07768 996370.

On Tuesday 15 March Stockport Radio Society is having an audio extravaganza with Roland Myers, G8LOL. More information from Nigel Roscoe, on 07973 312 699.

On Wednesday 16 March Denby Dale Radio Club is planning for the Huddersfield Narrow Canal bicentenary celebrations. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220126.

On Wednesday 16 March Grimsby Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. Contact Cliff, G4YHP, on 01472 328 830.

On Wednesday 16 March Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is holding a CW competition. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240573.

On Wednesday 16 March Mid-Cheshire Amateur Radio Society is on the air and assessing a dish for high frequency use. Contact Peter Paul Fox, G8HAV, on 01606 553401.

On Wednesday 16 March Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is visiting local schools for National Science Week. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Thursday 17 March Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on the relay-switched dipole. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 0787 608 5631.

On Thursday 17 March South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having a visit by RSGB President Dave Wilson, M0OBW. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 0161 969 3999.

On Friday 18 March East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club invites members to bring in something interesting. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND On Monday 14 March Greenisland Electronics Amateur Radio Society is on the air on 2m. Details from Peter Lowrie, MI5JYK, by email to mi5jyk@rsgb.org.uk.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday 15 March Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club evening. Details from Norman, on 07740 946192.

On Wednesday 16 March West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society is having Solder Group homebrew projects & licence training. More information from Fred Coombes, 2M0BIN, on 01415 715512.

On Thursday 17 March Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is testing the antenna analyser. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663.

On Friday 18 March Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on RAYNET by Malcolm Gibson, MM0YMG. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723.

On Friday 18 March West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society is having presentations, guest speakers, a quiz and a raffle. More information from Fred Coombes, 2M0BIN, on 01415 715512.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA On Sunday 13 March Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its rally. Details from Ron, G3KBR, on 01223 501712.

On Monday 14 March Coulsdon Amateur Transmitting Society is having a talk on building and using the Ten- Tec 1330 by Martin, M1MRB. Details from Steve Beal, G3WZK, by email to secretary@catsradio.org.

On Monday 14 March West Kent Amateur Radio Society is having a club evening. More information from Les, G6UBM, by email to westkentars@googlemail.com.

On Tuesday 15 March Andover Radio Amateurs Club is having a club night and committee meeting. Details from Martin, M0MWS, on 07776 181646.

On Tuesday 15 March Bromley & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on low earth orbit satellites. Details from Andy, G4WGZ, on 01689 878089.

On Tuesday 15 March Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is having a club net night. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Wednesday 16 March Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is discussing a technical topic. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491. On Wednesday 16 March Havering & District Amateur Radio Club is having an in formal evening. Details from John, M0UKD, on 07890 222111.

On Wednesday 16 March Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the RSGB CW Club Contest and having an informal evening with construction, shack and Bright Sparks participation. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898678.

On Wednesday 16 March Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the the history of light bulbs by John Narborough. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816684.

On Thursday 17 March Colchester Radio Amateurs has a talk by RSGB Essex DRM Mark, M0IEO. More information from Kevan, 2E0WMG, on 07766 543784.

On Thursday 17 March Cray Valley Radio Society has a reprise of special events with videos presented by Bob, M0MCV and Paul, G3SXE. Details from Bob, M0MCV, on 020 8265 7735 after 8pm.

On Thursday 17 March Horsham Amateur Radio Club is having a social at The Plough, Rusper. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk.

On Thursday 17 March King's Lynn Amateur Radio Club is having a club night and 2m club net. Contact Ray, G3RSV, by email to ral-g3rsv@supanet.com.

On Thursday 17 March Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on films of yesteryear by Frank Banfield. Details from David, G8UOD, on 01234 742 757.

On Thursday 17 March Sutton & Cheam Radio Society is having a talk on behind the scenes at Bletchley Park in WWII by Brian Oakley.. More information from John, G0BWV, on 020 8644 9945.

On Friday 18 March Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having a rally report. Details from Ron, G3KBR, on 01223 501712.

On Friday 18 March Harlow & District Amateur Radio Society is having a general chat night. Contact RC WHITE, G0AGO, by email to G0AGO@aol.com.

On Friday 18 March Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a radio night and table top sale. Contact Peter, G4AKG, on 01444 239371.

On Friday 18 March Reading & District Amateur Radio Club commences its Foundation Licence course. Contact Eric by email to m0luv@radarc.org for more information.

On Friday 18 March Wey Valley Amateur Radio Group is having a club night. Details on the web at www.weyvalleyarg.org.uk.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST On Monday 14 March Exeter Amateur Radio Society is having a general meeting. More information from Nick, on 01363 775756.

On Tuesday 15 March West Devon Radio Club is having a valve and vintage demo night. Further information from Jules Cuddy, M1AGY, on 01752 291588.

On Wednesday 16 March Cornish Radio Amateur Club is running its Foundation course. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844939.

On Wednesday 16 March Taunton & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a committee meeting. Contact William, G3WNI, on 01823 666 234 for more information.

On Wednesday 16 March Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is having a video night. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417048.

On Thursday 17 March South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is having a quiz night with Muriel, G4YZR. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695471.

On Thursday 17 March Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having an activity night. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317750.

On Thursday 17 March Yeovil Amateur Radio Club is having a briefing for the QRP Convention. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk.

On Friday 18 March North Bristol Amateur Radio Club is having an operating evening. Contact Dick, on 01454 218362.

On Friday 18 March Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

On Sunday 20 March Yeovil Amateur Radio Club is running the Yeovil QRP Convention. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES On Monday 14 March Llanelli Amateur Radio Society is on the air and holding a raffle. Contact Craig, MW0MXT, on 01269 840292.

On Tuesday 15 March Wrexham Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on the early history of radio with some Welsh connections by GW8NZN. More information from Patrick, 2W0HUU, on 07947 701 927.

266. _ _ ._ ... _ __._ ... _ Piece of shit, IRA terrorist supporter RepubliCON Pete King, not content with trashing 1.5 million Americans because of their religion, now wants to destroy amateur radio

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I though RepubliCON piece of shit, IRA terrorist Pete King was to busy
hating Muslims to go after anyone else.

WRONG.

Once RepubliCONS get on a roll, they try to destroy anything in their
path.

Rep. Pet King now wants to rip off a major amateur radio band.

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Because police departments all over the USofA need something called
ï¿½broadband for cops." After all, if thereï¿½s one thing the cops need,
itï¿½s more ways to talk to each other on radios.

Of course, King doesn't want you to know that manhy of the the current
public service frequencies ares being sold off to the private sector,
because the Federal Government sells the airwaves because it can.

From the ARRL amateur radio website:
http://www.arrl.org/hr-607

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On February 10, 2011, Rep. Peter King (R-NY), Chairman of the House
Homeland Security Committee, introduced H.R. 607, the ï¿½Broadband for
First Responders Act of 2011,ï¿½ which has been referred to the House
Energy and Commerce Committee (which handles telecommunications
legislation). The bill addresses certain spectrum management issues
including the creation and maintenance of a nationwide Public Safety
broadband network.

As part of that network, the Bill provides for the allocation of the
so-called ï¿½D-Blockï¿½ of spectrum in the 700 MHz range for Public Safety
use. HR 607 uniquely, provides for the reallocation of other spectrum
for auction to commercial users, in order to offset the loss of
revenue that would occur as the result of the allocation of the
D-Block to Public Safety instead of commercial auction. H.R. 607
lists, among the bands to be reallocated for commercial auction within
ten years of the passage of the Bill, the paired bands 420-440 MHz and
450-470 MHz.

The inclusion of most of the Amateur 70-cm spectrum as one of the
replacement bands is a major problem. The 420-440 MHz band is not

Public Safety spectrum and should not be included in any spectrum swap of Public Safety allocations.

While the ARRL and all Amateurs support the work of Public Safety and recognize their need for dedicated spectrum which would promote interoperability, the ARRL vigorously opposes HR 607 in its present form. HR 607 is a direct threat to our limited spectrum and the ARRL encourages all amateurs to appropriately voice their opposition to this bill.
-- end quote

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Kickin' Ass and Takin' Names <PopUlist349@hotmail.com> wrote in message news:0rmkn6lu7qvmspo65cm0qcqra1b1893d03@4ax.com

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Not quite..
They also need doughnuts and throwaways.

268. WIANEWS FOR WEEK COMMENCING MARCH 13 2011

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Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2011-03-13.mp3
Text edition:

WIANEWS FOR WEEK COMMENCING MARCH 13 2011.

Isle of Muck an IOTA DXPEDITION.

Successful Field Operation

FREQUENCIES EYED.

ALL THESE STORIES UP AND COMING IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING MARCH 13 2011.

FREQUENCIES EYED.

Last week we told you of how Telstra had called on the ACMA to reclaim 1452 TO 1492 MHz, reserved for digital radio, advocating its return for use by point-to-point microwave services.

Now we learn that Australia's peak rail authority is battling to protect billions of dollars worth of investment in the safety of national rail networks, which is under siege as the carriers scramble for scarce Long Term Evolution spectrum resources.

Australasian Railway Association chief executive Bryan Nye said state rail authorities had invested $500 million in a unified national radio safety network dependent on the 1800MHz spectrum and that billions more had been slated for the project.

But mobile-phone industry groups have targeted the 1800MHz band to be the international standard for next-generation mobile LTE handsets and equipment, and regulators and carriers are turning up the pressure to obtain as much of that spectrum as they can.

If the railways lose the licences, it will set back more than a decade of co-operation and planning to modernise and unify Australia's rail radio network.

For instance, the Indian Pacific, which passes from Perth to Sydney, needs 8 separate radio sets on board to manage signalling systems on its journey.

It is said the ARA had requested an urgent meeting with Senator Conroy but so far there had been no response.

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AUSTRALIA'S MOST WANTED

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK0

VK1

VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/
VKC Roundup http://www.police

VK4 - QNEWS
web service local audio news:- www.wiaq.com/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
local news email qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
VKR Roundup http://www.police.qld.gov.au/News+and+Alerts/Media+Releases/
Peter Harding vk4od@wia.org.au is assembling qnews for March 13

Welcome to QNews from VK4WIA. I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP, and I've been thinking.

One thing that identifies a community is the shared identity and commitment of its members. I like to think of the world wide hobby of amateur radio as a community. But like the motto of recent years, it is very much a case of thinking globally and acting locally.

Our local radio club, or any club, is a community, a community of interest. How that community governs itself often defines whether it grows, remains static or drops off the radar. If there is a sharing of experience and knowledge and a willingness to include all people in the club activities, then perhaps we have made a start in growing our club.

It is well recorded how the formation of self interest groups within organisations tend to undermine the homogeneity, the unity and purpose of the organisation. From organisational psychology, group dynamics, business studies and on and on the literature is overwhelming that cliques can spell the death of a group.

It may not be even an obvious self indulgence within the clique but a lack of enthusiasm, a been there done that and it didn't work dogmatism that can do the damage. The alpha male who refuses to relinquish control can be equally damaging and we all know the saying that you can't teach an old dog new tricks.

We all want to enjoy our club activities and it is for each of us to make our club a success.

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think....how about you?

Hellow again, I'm David vk4pdr for the Redcliffe Districts amateur radio club

Wednesday's at 730 pm local time we hold a trivia night on our 70 cm repeater 438.325 and don't forget the 91.5 kHz tone for access.

It is a fun night for those that join in and the prize for winning is that you get to be next weeks trivia master!

so all of you amateurs out there with inquiring minds and wishing to join in on a fun night for a hour or so come and join us.

This is David vk4pdr for the Redcliffe and districts amateur radio club and you have been listening to and enjoying qnews on vk4wia

VK4 - QNEWS
web service local audio news:- www.wiaq.com/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
local news email qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
VKR Roundup http://www.police.qld.gov.au/News+and+Alerts/Media+Releases/
Peter Harding vk4od@wia.org.au is assembling qnews for March 6 and 13

Welcome to QNews from VK4WIA. I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP and I've been thinking.

Looking in the mirror reminds me that age is catching us baby boomers. It is interesting to reflect that the generation of amateurs prior to us represented the golden age of home brew which culminated in the shops full of disposals gear in the 1950's.

It was perhaps from this tradition, when amateurs still had access to 11 metres, with war time training that an attitude of "amateur purity" became indoctrinated but perhaps we can blame the semiconductor revolution for a bend in the road.

That was the availability of cheap, low power radios becoming available and the PMG Radio Branch approved a limited number of frequencies in the 27MHz band. By the time Commonwealth Games were held in Brisbane, Citizen's Band Radio was a reality.

As people sought more from their hobby interests, many people who cut their teeth on 27MHz and then 477MHz sought to expand their options by obtaining one of a variety of amateur licences. I don't know how many current amateurs cut their teeth with CB but it has certainly been the major pool of recruits over many years.

As the numbers of people using CB seems to be well down on the boom years, I wonder where the next generation of amateurs will come from? With the success of last year's WIA National Field Day, now is the time to mark the calendar with 17/4/2011. Let's get out and show the hobby to the public.

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think....how about you?

Redcliffe and District Radio Club
www.redclifferadioclub.org.au/

I'm Ray, VK4CF with news from Redcliffe Amateur Radio club.

A group of 14 club members arrived back into Brisbane late Sunday night and in the early hours of Monday morning after a 3 day trip to attend the Wyong HamFest

The group led by club president David, VK4DC, kept in contact all the way down via the 2 metre repeaters down the Pacific Highway. Doug, VK4MCD, along with several others made a few HF contacts whilst mobile as well. Mal, VK4UMS was also keen to try out his new vehicle on a long trip and despite one small hiccup all went well. Somehow or other, he left a pair of high voltage tuning capacitors at the venue.

There were quite a few bargains to be had but from the reports the crowds were not as great as the last few years.

By now we should all have marked on our calendars the John Moyle dates. Peter, VK4EA, is leading this year's event & is looking for further volunteers on the Friday to help setup along with operators for the midnight to dawn shift Saturday/Sundays and with the clean-up on the Sunday.
The club will be active on all HF bands and the club will be setting camp up on Friday 18th March at the Murrenbong Scout Camp at Petrie, camp site No. 6.
The club will be using monoband yagis on 10, 15 and 20 metres and dipoles on the other HF bands including 160 metres.
With the site so close to the Brisbane metropolitan area, it is ideal for visits by local amateurs either as day trippers or to stay & camp over night. Please contact Peter if you are able to assist with either the Friday setting up or the clean-up on Sunday afternoon. Peter can be contacted via the club website.
The event is a BYO everything and the club will have its BBQ on site for cooking.

And whilst speaking about cooking, the club will be setting up a sausage sizzle at Bunnings Warehouse at Rothwell on Saturday 11 June 2011. Food will be available from 0830 until the mid afternoon. We hope to see you there.

If you hear Geoff, VK4FNRS, on the air say good day. Geoff is convalescing after serious shoulder surgery and would enjoy the chat. All club members wish you a speedy recovery and hope to see you down at the club very soon.

Several of our club "F" calls have had visits from the radio inspector in the last few weeks to see what equipment they actually use. Ken, VK4FKEN said the inspector who visited his QTH, enjoyed the visit despite, being nearly licked to death by Ken's dog.

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South Coast Amateur Radio Club - Subsidised Members Dinner 20 th March 2011

The South Coast Amateur Radio Club Inc. will be holding its 2011 Subsidised Members Dinner on Sunday 20th March 2011 at Fresh Choice Family Restaurant in Sturt South Australia.

It would be great to see as many members and partners as possible in attendance, to allow members to socially meet outside the Clubroom environment.
Registration can also be done through the event list function on the SCARC Website www.scarc.org.au

VK6

VK7
local area news :- http://reast.asn.au/news.php
vk7 local news, email vk7regionalnews-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

VK8

VK9

ACMA NEWS

Successful Field Operation

Over the last couple of months there has been a strength 9 noise coming and going around the frequencies 146.00 to 147.500 around Hobart.

For some in Mt Nelson it got unbearable and made 147.500 unusable at times.

So the ACMA were called, they were very prompt and after some considerable investigative work the offending data transmitter was located then shut down until it is repaired.

Thank you to the ACMA.

(Roger, VK7HT)

DISCUSSION POINT

HOME OF THE GOOD GUYS

Cyprus radio group welcomes visitors

If you are planning to visit Cyprus this year, the Pafos Radio Club would like to welcome you.

They meet on the 3rd Thursday of each month at the Pafos Gardens Hotel at 19.00. They also have a weekly net on Wednesdays at 19.30 using the local repeater, 5B4PRC, on 145.750MHz. More details from Don, 5B4AGQ.

(RSGB)

EDUCATION YOUTH AND ADVANCEMENT OF AMATEUR RADIO
www.hamcollege.com.au

TRAINING OVERSEAS

Members of Limerick Radio Club presented "Decoding the Code", part of Engineers Week. 60 pupils took part and enjoyed building the CW kits. They were joined on the day by Kieran Horgan, Chairman Thomond branch of Engineers Ireland, who commented that the pupils were getting an important introduction to engineering.

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SILENT KEY

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART and the WW sources of the WIA.

Copper thefts on the rise

It seems that radio amateurs may find themselves targets for so-called copper thefts.

In the last two years the price of copper has risen by 300% with other metals also experiencing higher prices. We've heard from an amateur in Yorkshire who's been a victim of one of these copper thefts when all his cabling was stolen overnight. That included the coax and ladder line used for a G5RV antenna. Other amateurs are being encouraged to make sure access to cables is restricted and that their installations are as secure as possible.

(rsgb)

LASER POINTER HITS COCKPIT OF PHOENIX NEWS HELICOPTER

A Phoenix news helicopter was the victim of an attack from the ground.

This as someone shot a bright laser beam into its cockpit that was also caught by the choppers on-board camera.

According to The Arizona Republic, authorities are currently investigating the incident and have yet to identify the perpetrator. The newspaper goes on to note that local police actually searched door-to-door in the area where the beam originated but so far have come up empty handed.

A spokesman with the Federal Aviation Administration commenting on the incident said that the message here is very simple. If you want to engage in this kind of dangerous and irresponsible behavior, you can be caught and arrested.

If caught, and Prosecuted the perpetrator of this stunt could face up to 20 years in prison.

(ARNEWSLIME)

NEW STUDY FINDS CELLPHONES AFFECT BRAIN WAVES

A newly completed study indicates that electromagnetic radiation from the antenna of mobile telephones may be altering the way we think and behave.

This according to an article published in the Journal of the American Medical Association.

According to news reports, researchers peered inside the brains of 47 healthy subjects using Positron Emission Tomography to measure the location and timing of brain activity by detecting signs that cells were consuming energy. They found that despite official skepticism including statements issued by the Food and Drug Administration that ' electromagnetic energy exerts any influence on nearby cells.

The prelim study, led by a respected neuroscientist at the National Institutes of Health provides what other researchers are calling solid evidence that

mobile telephone use has measurable effects on brain activity. It also suggests that the peoples attachment to its millions of wireless phones may be altering the way we think and behave in subtle ways.

(arnewsline)

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

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G4TUT SOUTHGATE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB NEWS DESK

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IRTS NEWS DESK

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RSGB

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WEIRD AND WONDERFUL

You're A Ham IF.

10 ways to spot a Radio Amateur

>From the web site of the West Tennassee Amateur Radio Society
www.qsl.net/wtarc/youreaham.htm

You might be (and probably are) an Amateur Radio operator, if:

1. You strip wire with your teeth.
2. You have grabbed the wrong end of a hot soldering iron.
3. You have given out RST reports while you were on the telephone.
4. You told the XYL, when she noticed a new rig in the shack,
"Why, that has been there for years."
5. You have set your watch to UTC only.
6. You have tapped out "CQ" or "HI" on the car horn in Morse Code.
7. You know the Latitude, Longitude, and Elevation of your home QTH.
8. You have answered the telephone with your call sign.
9. You look for antennas, radios, and Morse Code in movies and tv shows.
10. You refer to your Ham friends by their call sign, NOT their real names.

The West Tennessee ARS ask - "Does anyone know who is the original author of these lines? If so, please e-mail kb4rpv@arrl.net so credit can be given for the correct author.

OPERATIONAL NEWS -

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2011

Mar 19-20 WIA John Moyle Field Day weekend

Apr 23 ZL/VK 2011 VK/ZL RTTY SPRINT 80 metres (zl2sky@zl2ko.or.au)

Apr 30 WW Marconi Day 2011 (www.gb4imd.org.uk)

Apr 30 ZL/VK 2011 VK/ZL RTTY SPRINT 40 metres (zl2sky@zl2ko.or.au)

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, REPEATER BEACON DX AND NET ADVICE

The XF4 DXpedition has been assigned callsign 4A4A.

A team of nine operators are on the air from Isla Socorro until 19th March.
They plan to use 10m through to 160m with CW, SSB some digital modes.

More on line at revillagigedo2011.com

(rsgb)

Anne, OH2YL makes a Dxpedition to Saint Barth﷽lemy.

The expedition starts on 15th April and ends on the 27th.

She is anticipated to work on all HF bands (160 m to 10 m) CW.

QSL cards via OH2YL. Also LoTW works fine.

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Rugby World Cup:

To promote the Rugby World Cup, New Zealand Amateur Radio operators are
encouraged to use the ZM callsign prefix during September and October 2011.
For more information, visit the RWC website
http://www.rugbyworldcup.com/

and the NZART website
http://www.nzart.org.nz/

Special Event Station VY1T - Teslin Historical and Museum Society .
Grand Opening of Aeradio Exhibit.

The VY1T Special Event Station will be on the air from June 29 to July 1, 2011
for the Grand Opening of the Aeradio Exhibit at the Teslin Historical and
Museum Society in Teslin, YT.

VY1EI Eric, their resident contester will use VY1T on June 29th from Whitehorse.

Club Station VY1T will be on the air from Teslin Yukon, at the George Johnson
Museum June 30th from early morning to late afternoon.

VY1T will be on the air from Whitehorse on Canada Day as a club station.

June 30th try 20 meters around 14.180 or so, also try 14.140

More information to be found on the Yukon Amateur Radio Association website.

www.yara.ca

Now is the time to keep an eye on the numerous Asian beacons and also the Guam
beacon AH2G on 50.004MHz for pending TEP paths to Asia and the north Pacific.

A complete list of 50MHz beacons, up dated weekly, can be found by googling the G3USF website

(vk2wi)

AWARDS

WIRELESS WEATHER

BROADCAST MONITORING SWL AND SCANNER NEWS
http://spench.net/drupal/software/rfmap)AUSTRALIAN GEOGRAPHICAL RF MAP)
http://www.scanaustralia.bigpondhosting.com
http://mt-shortwave.blogspot.com/
HTTP://www.ei7dar.com/hf.html
www.tinyurl.com/BITS-026 (A receiver located in NY USA)
http://wb4mak.com/ (Atlanta 80/40/20 Web SDR Receiver)

INTRUDER WATCH - ENFORCEMENT ZONE

Region III IARUMS Coordinator Peter Young VK3MV

VK IARUMS reflector email to subscribe intruders@wia.org.au

INTRUDER NETS
Friday 0730 UTC 7.065.5 with VK4CEU David.

Amateur exclusive frequencies where any non-amateur signal is definitely an intruder.

Amateur HF Spectrum world wide
7.050 to 7.100
14.000 to 14.250
14.250 to 14.350 No broadcasters
21.000 to 21.450
24.890 to 24.990
28.000 to 29.700

DIGIMODE ACTIVITY IN THE 40 m CW SEGMENT

At WRC03, the ITU allocated frequency segment 7 100 - 7 200 kHz to the Amateur Service in Region 1.

This extension of the 40 m band allowed IARU Region 1 to modify the Region 1 band plan. These changes became effective on 29 March 2009.

Some of these changes include extension of the exclusive CW segment by 5 kHz, and is now 7 000 - 7 040 kHz; the segment for Narrow Band Modes (Digimodes) with a maximum bandwidth of 500 Hz was extended by 5 kHz (doubled) and moved to 7 040 - 7 050 kHz and the segment for All Modes (Digimodes) with a maximum bandwidth of 2 700 Hz was extended by 7 kHz and moved to 7 050 - 7 060 kHz.

Although the separation of the segments is by frequencies that are easy to remember (7 040, 7 050, 7 060 kHz), there is still a lot of PSK31 activity around 7 037 kHz. region 1 Radio amateurs are requested to adhere to the guidelines as stipulated.

(SARL)

THE QNEWS WORK BENCH - the nuts and volts report -
(Measure twice - Cut once!)

JILA ANNOUNCES A BEW SOURCE OF TERAHERTZ RADIATION

JILA researchers have developed a laser-based source of terahertz radiation that is unusually efficient and less prone to damage than similar systems. The technology might be useful in applications such as detecting trace gases or imaging weapons in security screening.

JILA is a joint institute of the National Institute of Standards and Technology and the University of Colorado at Boulder. Its technology is a new twist on a common terahertz wave source. That being a semiconductor surface patterned with metal electrodes and excited by ultra fast laser pulses.

An electric field is applied across the semiconductor while near-infrared pulses lasting about 70 quadrillionths of a second, produced 89 million times per second, dislodge electrons from the semiconductor. The electrons accelerate in the electric field and emit the terahertz waves.

Terahertz radiation which fall between the radio and optical bands of the electromagnetic spectrum have the ability to penetrate materials such as clothing and plastic but can be used to detect many substances that have unique absorption characteristics at these wavelengths. Terahertz systems are challenging to build because they require a blend of electronic and optical technologies that are integrated to work together flawlessly. The complete story of this advancement in this technology is on line at
tinyurl.com/terahertz

(ARNEWSLINE)

OVER OVER - OVER

A technology that allows wireless signals to be sent and received simultaneously on a single channel has been developed by Stanford researchers.

Their research could help build faster, more efficient communication networks, at least doubling the speed of existing networks.

These first wireless radios can send and receive signals at the same time, this immediately makes them twice as fast as existing technology, and with further tweaking will likely lead to even faster and more efficient networks in the future.

Researchers are working that if a radio receiver could filter out the signal from its own transmitter, weak incoming signals could be heard.

Their setup takes advantage of the fact that each radio knows exactly what it's transmitting, and hence what its receiver should filter out. The process is similar to noise-cancelling headphones.

(Stanford News Service)

MEDIA WATCH
www.cq-amateur-radio.com/WorldRadio.html
VK Club Bulletins http://groups.yahoo.com/group/aarnie/

RadCom Channel 4 TV article

The UK's Channel 4 drama about Amateur Radio called 'C.Q.' was first shown in 1984 and repeated 1986.

It starred Michael Elphick as 'Norman' a radio amateur G4ESB who contacts a Round The World Yachtsman called Alec G4FLP/MM on 20mtrs.

The RadCom article says that Peter Marcham, G3YXZ was technical advisor to the makers of the drama and ensured technical accuracy.

Suprisingly the article comments that in striving to be authentic, the drama isn't as funny as a show produced by a comedian (Tony Hancock) who was popular in the late 1950's and early 60's. Perhaps the author wasn't aware of the distinction between a drama and a comedy.

The article appeared in the September 1984 edition of RadCom.

The Channel 4 programme is the only time Amateur Radio has been represented with any degree of accuracy on UK TV in the last half century.

An AVI file of a Betamax home recording made at the time still exists and is at http://tinyurl.com/CQvideo1984

(SouthGate)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- APRS (AVRS)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ARDF
WIA ARDF COORDINATOR VK3WWW Jack vk3www@wia.org.au
http://users.mackay.net.au/~ron/
http://www.homingin.com
http://www.ardf.org.au

Sep 23-28 R3 Region 3 ARDF Championship Bendigo VK3
http://r3.ardf.org.au/

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS - ASTRONOMICAL

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ATV (Every pixel tells a story) - Video
arvideonews.com
hamradiotube.com
youtube.com
qdg.org.au

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- CW
FISTS Club - East Asia www.feacw.net
FISTS Club - Australasia www.fistsdownunder.org
FISTS Club - UK & Europe www.fists.co.uk
FISTS Club - Americas www.fists.org

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- DIGITAL
Australian Coordinator for TCPIP domains is Indy vk2xb@wia.org.au

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS - FAITH.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FEMALES IN RADIO
ALARA - AUSTRALIAN LADIES AR ASSOCIATION
http://alara.org.au
Net is held each Mondays on 3.570 MHz, commencing at 1030 UTC.
(1000utc during daylight saving)
geencee@picknowl.com.au

YL International 2012 Adelaide

The organization of the YL International 2012 Meet in Adelaide is almost complete. The meet dates are set with delegates arriving on or before 3 May 2012 staying at various venues in Glenelg.

The next few days will see them touring Adelaide, Hahndorf, Cleland National Park, Port Adelaide including a Dolphin cruise and a progressive lunch at 3 Barossa Valley wineries.

Those that are doing the optional Ghan tour will join it for either a 7 or 9 day adventure.
The 7 day option allows you to leave the tour in Alice Springs after being out to Uluru and the 9 day tour finishes in Darwin. A web site has been created a website which is

www.ylinternational2012.com

The Meet is open to YLs and their OMs. You don't have to be a member of any organization or even licensed but should be interested in amateur radio.

Most participants are active on air but that is not a requirement for attendance. If you are interested in attending please complete the online expression of interest form, registration form or contact VK5TMC.

The list of potential participants is growing and at the moment there are 60 who have expressed interest.
Registration and deposits are due by September 2011.

Tina Clogg, vk5tmc@bigpond.com

(IRTS)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

AMSAT-VK UNOFFICIAL HF Net.
2nd Sunday each month.
April through October 1000 UTC 3.685 MHz
November through March 0900 UTC 7.068 MHz

Well we have had Yasi.. now it's Yuri

Yuri's Night - World Party for Space

ARISSat-1, still inside the ISS, will be activated using an external antenna on 145.950MHz FM for this year's Yuri's Night, April 12.

Yuri's Night, the World Party for Space, was first held in 2001 and has grown steady in popularity since. It celebrates the first human space flight in 1961 and Radio Amateurs around the world are actively involved with some holding parties in their home and on the wireless.

AMSAT-NA will be issuing special certificates to those stations reporting reception of the 145.950 MHz ARISSat-1 signals on this special night.

New Pakistan Satellite ICube-1

Students at the Institute of Space Technology (IST) are building Pakistan's first CubeSat ICube-1. They are currently looking for a launch in the 3rd quarter of 2011.

The ICube website gives these specifications:
Beacon 436.8475MHz, CW, 100mW
Downlink 437.490MHz, FSK, AX.25, 1200bps, 600mW
Uplink 145.835MHz, FSK, AX.25, 1200bps

ICube
http://www.icube.org.pk/

Student Satellite Project
http://www.ist.edu.pk/student_satellite.html

Institute of Space Technology (IST)
http://www.ist.edu.pk/

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FLYINGHAMS
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Flying_Hams

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS - HF PACK

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS - ISSARO
visit www.issaro.net

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- INTERNET --- THE HAMS DOMAIN
TWITTER http://twitter.com/VK1WIA
www.HamRadioNation.com

DO NOT TRACK ME ON THE INTERNET LAW INTRODUCED INTO CONGRESS

An Internet version of the popular "Do Not Call" telephone legislation took a step toward reality when a House of Representative legislator introduced a measure in Congress designed to let consumers block unwanted tracking of their information online.

"Do Not Track Me Online" bill authorizes the Federal Trade Commission to enact and enforce regulations that give consumers the right to bar organizations from tracking their activities as they use the Internet.

Consumer Watchdog, a non-profit and non-partisan advocacy group, has already applauded the proposed law.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- Internet Linking of Repeaters

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- IOTA
http://rsgbiota.org

EU-008.

MM0GHM, MM0GOR and M0UTD will be active as MS 0 KLR from the Isle of Muck
Inner Hebrides, between April 16-19.

Activity will be on all HF bands.
QSL by the Bureau to MM0KLR.

http://qrz.com/db/MS0KLR

OC-195

VK7DI will be active on Deal Island (IOTA OC 195) from 21st March.

A team of six amateurs will travel to Deal Island, one of the Kent group of
Islands 160 Nautical Miles from Westernport Bay.

The trip down will take approx 40 hours and we are hoping to average a
speed of five knots 'N will be active on most HF frequencies both maritime
mobile down and back.

Ashore for four days.

Those of you who chase grid squares will of course want to work this
rare entity which is also a national park for those chasing national parks.

Please see the VK7DI entry on QRZ.com for more details

(John Fisher VK3DQ / VK3ARK)

L�grimas de Saudade

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- LOW DOWN

AMATEUR MF ALLOCATION MOVES A STEP CLOSER

Amateur Radio has moved a step closer to a medium frequency (MF)
allocation below the AM broadcast band. During the first week of the
Conference Preparatory Meeting (CPM) for the 2012 World
Radiocommunication Conference (WRC-12) of the International
Telecommunication Union, held in Geneva February 14-25, delegates
completed the drafting of nine pages of analysis of the technical and
regulatory issues related to WRC-12 Agenda Item 1.23: consideration of
a possible secondary allocation to the Amateur Service of about 15 kHz
somewhere between 415 and 526.5 kHz.

Two possible methods of satisfying the agenda item, along with the
possibility of there being no change (and therefore no allocation),
are set out in the CPM Report, along with the advantages and disadvantages
of each.

arrl.org/news/amateur-mf-allocation-moves-a-step-closer

(arrl)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- MEDICAL
IHS = www.groups.Yahoo.com/group/IHSradio/
IHS = www.IHSOFMN.org
PHARMACISTS = www.malpensa.it/iphg
Medical Amateur Radio Council www.marco-ltd.org/

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP --- MILITARY

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP --- NAVAL

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP --- OPTICS
Australian Optical DX Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Optical_DX/

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP --- POLICE
http://www.iparc.nl

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- QRP and WEAK SIGNAL COMMUNICATION

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RADIO AMATEUR OLD-TIMERS
http://www.raotc.org.au

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RADIO AMATEUR YOUNG TIMERS
A Youth Net meets Saturdays at 0100 UTC on IRLP Reflector #2.
Young Hams Net 3.590 - 7:30pm Victorian time.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RADIO SCOUTING
http://www.scouts.com.au
http://www.scout.org/jota
http://www.international.scouts.com.au

CALLING FREQUENCIES
Please QSY off the calling frequency after establishing communication.

Australian voice calling frequencies:
3.650, 7.090, 14.190, 21.190, 28.590, 52.160

World CW calling frequencies:
3.570, 7.030, 14.060, 18.080, 21.140, 24.910, 28.180, 50.160

World voice calling frequencies:
3.690 & 3.940 MHz, 7.090 & 7.190, 14.290, 18.140, 21.360,
24.960, 28.390, 50.160

Calling frequencies for Slow Scan TV (SSTV):
3.630, 7.033, 14.227

Calling Frequencies for PSK31
14.070

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RESCUE RADIO
IARU REGION 3
Emergency Centre of Activity (CoA) frequencies
3.600, 7.110, 14.300, 18.160 and 21.360 MHz

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ROAR
ROTARIANS OF AMATEUR RADIO
bill.learmonth@lineone.net
rotmem@yahoogroups.com
nmclaren3@juno.com VK2IWT Secretary
Peter Lowe, VK3KCD ANZO VP
0600z - 0630z Anzo Net on 7115

Guglielmo Marconi Father of wireless, was an Honorary member of the club from 1933 to 1937 and it continues the tradition and honouring Marconi to this very day.
Now a' days among its honorary members is Marconi's Daughter, Princess Elettra Marconi.

4EB -- VK4EB Ted Gold the founder of the first commercial radio station in Queensland was Vice President of Toowoomba Rotary Club.

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- STAMP COLLECTING AMATEURS
radiostamps@yahoogroups.com

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS - VHF AND ABOVE

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Rewind: WWW.RADIOSHACKCATALOGS.COM

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The site contains catalogs for the company that date all the way back to 1939.

Each one is animated in a way that a click of your mouse lets you turn the pages or zoom in to see that special part of an item that evokes a memory of days gone by. The site also has the complete history of the company along with the story of how in 1963, Charles Tandy purchased Radio Shack Corporation when it was on the verge of bankruptcy for only $300,000 and built it into the mega corporation it is today.

Whether or not you are a fan of Radio Shack you will likely get a thrill of this trip back in time. You will find it at www.RadioShackCatalogs.com on the World Wide Web.

(Col VK4CC)

SOCIAL SCENE

2011

Mar 13 vk3 EMDRC White Elephant Sale Heathmont.

Mar 20 vk7 MEET THE VOICE BBQ "Ross Caravan Park".

Apr 2 - 3 vk4 Bunya Mts & District AmCom and SCARC Somerset Dam Camp Out.
(0488 687 649)

Apr 9 vk6 Hills Amateur Radio Group HARGFEST at club rooms Lesmurdie.
(HARGFEST. ie, hamfest run by HARG)

Apr 18 WW "Amateur Radio: The first technology-based social network"
World Amateur Radio Day, April 18 and WIA Field Day.

May 27-29 WIA AGM Weekend in Darwin
secretary@wia.org.au

Jun 10-12 VK4 Far North and North Queensland Amateur Radio Gathering at
King Reef Resort Kurrimine Beach.

Jul 16 VK3 Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club Hamfest
Cranbourne Community Hall 10am (secretary@ggrec.org.au)

Jul 31 VK2/3 Riverina Field Day 10am at Lavington Scout Group Hall.

Aug 7 VK2 Lismore region - SARCFEST

Sep 11 VK3 SADARC Comms Day at St Augustine's Hall Orr St Shepparton 10am.

Sep 23-28 R3 Region 3 ARDF Championship Bendigo VK3
http://r3.ardf.org.au/

Nov 20 vk5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society Hamfest
Goodwood Community Centre, Rosa St Goodwood at 0930.
Visit www.ahars.com.au for contact details

2012

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World Radio Conference WRC-11 Geneva 23rd January TO 17th February 2012

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-12 21:44:44 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <211cd273-be8c-42cf-ab29-dd8e0b7cf0d4@w9g2000prg.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4709

On Mar 12, 12:39 am, SAMARA <jaidatta9...@gmail.com> wrote:
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270. SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 013 MARCH 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-13 00:00:14 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <20110313000007.96EE233C54@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4710
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 013 MARCH 2011

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In the news today

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AMATEUR RADIO LICENSE FEES TO REMAIN AT R27 FOR NOW

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting news items.

LAST CHANCE TO BOOK FOR THE PROGRAMMING IN WINDOWS COURSE

Reserve your place now for the programming in Windows course to be held in Cape Town on Saturday 19 March 2011. Learn how to produce your own applications in Windows, and design your own shack control program with stand-alone applications. Create your very own EXE files.

The course fee is R350 for SARL members and R500 for non-members. A USB interface that will switch relays and read push buttons and voltages is available for an additional charge of R120 and can now be ordered at the time of registration and will be available for delivery at the course. This course will only be presented in Cape Town once this year. Don't miss this opportunity!

Bookings for the course close on Wednesday afternoon. Get the registration form on www.sarl.org.za, click on RTA.

RESPECTED JOURNAL PUBLISHES EXPLANATION FOR LOW SUNSPOTS

An article in the March 3 issue of the journal Nature purports to explain the extended sunspot minimum from 2008-2010. According to one

of the authors, Piet Martens, the last time a sunspot minimum lasted twice as long as usual was around 1913 and before that, 1810. Although solar activity has increased recently, scientists have been puzzled by the recent lack of sunspots. This quiet period had prevented the ionosphere from supporting much of the long-range higher frequency HF Amateur Radio communication that had been expected during the past few years.

After simulating 210 previous sunspot cycles, Martens, along with Dibyendu Nandi and Andres Munoz-Jaramillo, discovered that extended solar minima have coincided with unusually weak magnetic fields at the Sun's poles. The three scientists were associated with Montana State University while they conducted their research.

NASA-sponsored research has resulted in the first computer model that explains the recent period of decreased solar activity during the sun's 11-year cycle.

This recent solar minimum, a period characterised by a lower frequency of sunspots and solar storms, was the deepest observed in almost 100 years. The solar minimum has repercussions on the safety of space travel and the amount of orbital debris our planet accumulates.

Solar scientists around the world were puzzled by the extended disappearance of sunspots in 2008-2009. Results published in Nature indicate the mystery may be solved.

During this deep solar minimum, the sun's magnetic field weakened, allowing cosmic rays to penetrate the solar system in record numbers, making space a more dangerous place to travel. At the same time, the decrease in ultraviolet radiation caused Earth's upper atmosphere to cool and collapse.

As a consequence space debris stopped decaying and started accumulating in Earth orbit due to decreased atmospheric drag. These effects demonstrate the importance of understanding the entire solar cycle, during both minimum and maximum.

Observations from NASA's Solar Dynamics Observatory (SDO) will eventually provide measurements that could validate the current model and provide the basis for future solar cycle prediction.

For more information about the research, visit http://www.nasa.gov/sunearth.

BOOK NOW FOR THE SA AMSAT SPACE SYMPOSIUM

Book now for the SA AMSAT Space Symposium which will be held at Vodaworld on 2 April 2011. Amongst the speakers are Dr Sandile Malinga the CEO of SANSA, and the two SA AMSAT CubeSat project leaders John Willescroft and Hannes Coetzee, as well as Dr. L. J. du Toit of EMSS Antennas, the company responsible for the development, production, commissioning and factory support of the KAT-7 receivers. For details

and to book visit www.amsatsa.org.za . Make use of the early bird discount. Special rates are offered for SARL and SA AMSAT Members.

AMATEUR RADIO LICENSE FEES TO REMAIN AT R27 FOR NOW

The Amateur Radio License fees will remain at R27 for this year and are only to increase from next year. ICASA will post license renewal accounts for the period 1 April 2011 to 31 March 2012 in the near future. If you have not yet paid your licence for the three month period January to March 2011, please do so now. The charge is R6,75. If you did not receive an account in the post, use the information printed on last year's license.

CONTEST NEWS

The SARL VHF/UHF analogue and digital contest encourages activity on the VHF/UHF and microwave bands so that operators can work greater distances than usual and allows the activation of new grid squares; also to have a weekend of amateur radio fun.

The contest is open to all licensed radio amateurs in South Africa and neighbouring states. The contest starts at 10:00 UTC on Saturday 19 March and ends at 10:00 UTC on Sunday 20 March with phone - FM and SSB, CW and the digital modes on 6, 4 and 2 metres, 70 and 23 cm and higher. There are five categories of participation including field stations and rover stations. Go to page 33 of the 2011 SARL Contest Manual for the complete set of rules.

ONLY TWO DXCCs AMONGST THE SARL PRESIDENTS

Tjerk, ZS6P, the SARL Awards Manager informed SARL News that only two SARL Presidents have obtained the DXCC award while in office. The first was Henry Flanter, ZS1FD, who was president from 1954 to 1956 and the second is Dennis Green, ZS4BS, who has just been awarded the DXCC via Logbook of the World.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP reports that the solar activity is at moderate to active levels. Just as active Sunspots 1164 and 1165 have rotated onto the western limb and out of direct earth view, The second largest Solar Flare of Cycle 24 thus far has taken place around huge Sunspot 1166. The X1.5 event event peaked on Wednesday evening and caused Radio Blackouts on the sunlit side of earth. Currently Sunspot 1169 and 1166 remain the largest regions. The effective sunspot number is expected to be around 80 for the coming week.

15 m will provide the best opportunities for DX followed by 20 and 10 m. With the higher sunspot activity 10 m will open first followed by 15 and 20 m. Conditions to India will be good from the afternoon till after sunset. During the late afternoons conditions will be good towards Europa. Good contacts with the USA are possible during the evening. Contacts with Australia are possible on 20 m after sunset.

Openings to Brazil and South America are possible during the afternoons. With the good 15 and 20 m openings 17 m will also be full of surprises.

For the CW and digital enthusiasts 30 m may be very rewarding with openings to many parts of the world.

Locally is 40 m the work horse for contacts around the country with 20 and 30-m also being very useful for contacts over the longer distances. 80 m will be best during the early mornings and late afternoons as well as over the shorter distances.

80 m is the frequency of choice during the evenings.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS 16 March- -Last day to register for Programming in Windows course in Cape Town. 19 March - RTA, Programming in Windows course in Cape Town, book at www.sarl.org.za. 19/20 March - SARL VHF/UHF analogue and digital contest. 25 March - SAiSAT briefing session at the NARC. 2 April - SA AMSAT Space Symposium at Vodaworld, book at www.amsatsa.org.za. 15-16 April - SARL National Convention at Vaal University for Technology.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 560 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'ARMI' and follow the links. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 22:05 CAT on 3 215 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by George, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening, 73.
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271. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2011-006E - Japan Earthquake [Forward]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-13 06:03:42 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4D7C48E9.9070207@rac.ca>
Source record: 4711
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2011-006E - Japan Earthquake
2011-03-12

March 12, 2011

Forward: Japan earthquake.

JARL has requested to keep clear the frequency 7.030 MHz as it is used
for emergency traffic related to the Japan earthquake and tsunami.

Thank you for your collaboration.

Daniel Lamoureux, VE2KA
RAC Vice-President International Affairs
and Chair, Emergency Communications Committee,
IARU Region 2

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Bulletin de RAC 2011-006F - Transf�rer: Tremblement de terre et
raz-de-mar�e au Japon
2011-03-12

Le 12 mars 2011

Transf�rer: Tremblement de terre et raz-de-mar�e au Japon

La JARL a demand� � ce que la fr�quence 7.030 MHz soit gard�e lib
re
car elle est employ�e pour les communications d'urgences suite au
tremblement de terre et au raz-de-mar�e au Japon.

Merci de votre collaboration.

Daniel Lamoureux, VE2KA
Vice president affaires internationales, RAC
et Pr�sident, comit� des communications d'urgences
IARU Region 2

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http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

272. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 13th March 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-13 20:00:26 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20110313200004.A972B33C54@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4712
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 13th March 2011

IRTS AGM Annual Dinner and Rally 2011

You are warmly welcomed to attend the IRTS AGM weekend, including Annual Dinner and Rally will be held this year on Saturday March 26th and Sunday March 27th. The event will be hosted by the Limerick Radio Club. The venue is the Radisson Blu Hotel, Ennis Road, Limerick.

For more information contact, Ger McNamara EI4GXB on

087 2532512 or ei4gxb/ at /gmail/ dot/ com. A new website for the Rally in Limerick on 27 March 2011 is now available, please go to http://limerickradiorally.com for more details.

The AGM dinner tickets priced at 35 are now available from Tony Condon EI2AW at QTHR or by email to condona /at / eircom/ dot/ net.

IRTS Stand at Friedrichshafen Rally

IRTS members attending the Friedrichshafen rally this year and who are willing to be in attendance at the IRTS stand for some of the time whilst there are requested to contact Sean Nolan, EI7CD on email ei7cd / at / gofree / dot/ indigo / dot / ie .

IRTS AGM Dinner Tickets.

Tickets will be available at the next Committee meeting on 12 March from Ger McNamara EI4GXB. Please make contact with your club or regional representative who may be attending the meeting to collect tickets on your behalf. Payment can be made by cheque payable to Limerick Radio Club or by cash.

South Dublin Radio Club

South Dublin Radio Club Annual General Meeting (AGM) will take place in Terenure College on Tuesday 29th March at 8pm sharp.

All members are welcome and asked to attend. Also, at the South Dublin Radio Club, amateur radio theory classes will be held on a weekly basis

and morse classes will be held in the near future.

North Cork Radio Group

North Cork Radio Group will be active EI1NC/P from the old governors house at Cork City Gaol and Radio Museum on the weekend of the 19 and 20th of March, The intention of the activation is to gain publicity and awareness for the Museum as an attraction for radio enthusiast both in Cork city and for visitors to the county in general. The Gaol houses the restored 6CK radio Broadcast studio in addition to an audio visual dedicated to Marconi and his Irish connections along with a wide collection of nostalgic artefacts from the golden age of Irish radio.

Foyle and District ARC

Foyle and District ARC have been allocated the callsign GB5SPD to celebrate St.Patrick's Day, 2011. This has been an annual event for several years and is the most popular activity in the club's calendar. The station will be active from Wednesday March 16th until Friday 18th. A special qsl card will be issued to each station worked.

Special Event Station GB2SPD

Special Event Station GB2SPD will be operating from the QTH of (Martin 2I0WAI) from the 17th of March to celebrate St. Patrick,s Day.

The station will operate all bands open to us on the day, and hope to have a psk31 station also on air.

QSL info and all details are as listed on qrz .com

Loc:IO64SU

WAI/WAB C90

Special Event for St Patrick' Day

As part of Omagh District Council's annual St Patrick's Day celebrations, West Tyrone Amateur Radio Club, will be on air from Omagh Arts Centre from 12 noon until 5pm on Thursday 17th March 2011 with the callsign GB1SPD, as well as being active on all bands the club will be demonstrating Amateur to the general public.

The Shannon Basin Radio Club

The Shannon Basin Radio Club will be holding a meeting in Hannons Hotel, Roscommon on Wednesday night the 23rd of March at 20:30.

All members are requested to attend and anybody wishing to join the club is more than welcome to attend. Should anybody require more info, they can contact Brian, EI8IU on 0862514822.

DXCC List

ARRL have now updated their DXCC listings to take account of the reorganisation of the Netherlands Antilles. This reorganisation gave rise to 2 existing DXCC entities being deleted and 4 new entities being created, the new entities being Curacao (PJ2), Bonaire (PJ4), Saba / St. Eustatius (PJ5/PJ6) and Sint Maarten (PJ7). Not surprisingly, there has been plenty of DX activity from these new entities, and of course plenty of interest in the new entities.

The updating of the DXCC listings results in some changes in the DXCC Honor Roll membership; confirmation that 331 current entities have been worked is now required for the Honor Roll. Have a look at www.irts.ie/dxcc to see the latest placings by EI stations.

Amateur Radio for All at the Erne Rally

Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club is delighted that the Radio Amateur Invalid and Blind Club will have a stand at the Pearl Anniversary Rally on Sunday 17 April.

RAIBC is the charity working for radio amateurs with disabilities. The rally venue, SHARE is another registered charity that provides activities for disabled and able bodied to enjoy together. Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club is based at SHARE and runs courses there for Foundation and Intermediate licenses.

Course members include some with a disability or who are Carers, and all value amateur radio as an excellent hobby. Take one example. Tommy from February's Intermediate course requested the call 2i0RVH from Ofcom. His chosen suffix RVH means the Royal Victoria Hospital where he had a life-saving operation a few years ago. Amateur radio enthusiasm and achievement is helping Tommy build a new life.

RAIBC were invited to the Erne rally to help spread the word that amateur radio is for all and can be an ideal interest and activity for many with a disability, or their carers. There will be information about RAIBC services and membership, and about amateur radio opportunities at SHARE with Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club.

Other amateur radio groups with word to spread about their interests and activities are also very welcome to take a stand at the Lough Erne Pearl Anniversary Rally. It is only five weeks away, so please contact the Club as soon as possible.

Michael Clarke, Mi5MTC Chairman Lough Erne ARC Mi5mtc / /at/ / learc / dot/ eu

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DX News

Maurizio, IW1GGN will be active holiday-style from Martinique (NA-107) between 12 to 18 March, 2011. Activity mainly 20m. Callsign requested is TO1N - if not available then FM/IW1GGN.

A0SC, UA0SE, UA0SW and RZ0SR will be working from Senegal between 17 to 28 March.

During RDXC and WPX contests they will be active as 6V7D. Before and after they will use 6W/home calls. They will be working on all HF bands and all modes. QSL for 6V7D via UA0SE. 6W/ via home calls.

Joe, DK5WL (9N7WL); Ernst, DK7AN/(9N7AN); Georg DL4SVA and Franz DL9GFB plan to be active from Nepal in a period stretching from mid-March to early-April 2011.

Beginning March 16th, Ernst 9N7AN will commence solo activity from Kathmandu, with the main part of the DXpedition starting on March 26th once the rest of the team arrive in Nepal. They will operate all bands/modes therefater until April 8, 2011.

Hugo PA2HW, Robert PA2RDK, Frank PA3CNO, Paul PA3DFR and Gert PE0MGB will be active from the Swedish/Norwegian peace monument "Morokulien" as LG5LG and SJ9WL from April 10-16.

Activity will be on 160-6m in CW, SSB and digital modes. The callsign will change every day at 00:00 UTC. An award will be available for 2 contacts with each call on different bands and different days. QSL via buro.

TE8X will be active from Venado Island (IOTA NA-116) starting 10 March 2011.Activity will be on HF Bands. QSL via TI5AA.

Kells Radio Club

Ronnie, EI9ED, writes and tell us that the Kells Radio Club would like to announce the switching on of EI2LLX crossband facility. For the moment this Cross band connects to SEARG repeater networks and can be activated by DTMF *470 with a T.O.T. of 15 minutes. This crossband repeater can be activated from SEARG repeater network and also GI stations can activate the southern repeater system via the Cavan repeater EI2LLX using the same codes. To disconnect the repeater use DTMF #6

During this week stations were heard from Northern Ireland to Cork, from VK via IRLP through Waterford, Cavan to Northern Ireland.

Further updates will be forthcoming.

Practical Wireless - FUNcube Dongle Article

The April edition of Practical Wireless magazine has a special treat for all satellite enthusiasts and VHF/UHF listeners - a two page article on the AMSAT-UK FUNcube Dongle radio. The FUNcube Dongle (FCD) Software Defined Radio (SDR) was developed as part of the AMSAT-UK FUNcube satellite project.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

273. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1002

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-13 22:14:57 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <704336.74519.qm@smtp109.sbc.mail.gq1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 4713
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1002
Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 1002

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Bulletin No. 1002
BID: $OPDX.1002
March 14, 2011
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, K1XN & GoList, NJ1Q, KL2A, NG3K & ADXO, WP3GW, N4AA & QRZ DX, KH6BZF, W7GJ, K8GI, K8YSE, KG8P, W8GEX (60m News), W9NGA, 2E1EUB, AT International, DF1DV, DL1SBF, DL7MAE & The DX News Letter, DxCoffee.com, DX-World.Net, F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX, F8DVD, GM3WOJ/ZL1CT, HP1AC, I1JQJ/IK1ADH & 425 DX News, JA1MFR, JG1EIQ, OZ6OM & 50 MHz DX News, PA3CNO, Pete's-DX-Newsdesk, OE1WHC, RSGB IOTA Web Site, RZ0SR, TA1HZ, VA3RJ & ICPO, VE1QD, VE3ZZ, VE7DP and VHF-DX-Portal (MMMonVHF) for the following DX information.

*** SPECIAL NOTE: Due to the Japanese earthquake/tsunami disaster, it is recommended/suggested to please stay clear of the following emergency frequencies:
Operators JARL and Volunteers • 3520-3530, 7025-7035, 14090-14110, 21190- 21200, 28190-28210, 50100, 51000, 14100, 14500, 430100 and 433000 kHz.
DXpedition Operators • Please kindly consider QSX freq & RTTY freq.
It is also suggested to stay away from the IARU Region 3 Emergency Centre of Activity frequencies: 3600, 7110, 14300, 18160 and 21360 kHz.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 6th-March, through Sunday, 13th-March there were 234 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 3X, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5U, 5V, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, CY0, D2, D4, D6, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HC8, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH9, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S7, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T30, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT,

TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VP2E, VP2M, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XF4, XT, XU, XW, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD9, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS, ZS8

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

2M, SCOTLAND (Satellite Op). Paul, 2E1EUB, will once again be active as 2M1EUB from March 20th for 7 days (depending on the WX). He states that he will be operating from the van; so could be interesting because he has spent all winter setting it up and he hopes to be able to be on the mountains of Scotland rather than below them. Paul says the fun starts from IO87rj in Eastern Scotland and around that area. Watch QRZ.com for updates. Paul also has plans later this year to activate the western islands of Scotland, including Sky, Harris and Lewis...some other rare islands for Satellite operators! Dates will follow later in the year. Remember to check out QRZ.com under 2M1EUB for more info.

4A, REVILLAGIGEDO (Update). The 4A4A team conitnues to be active from Socorro Island (NA-030) until March 20th. They will have 3 stations running simultaneously on CW, SSB and RTTY. As this was being typed, the 4A4A QSO count as of 0413z, March 13th, is 50064 with 14366 unique callsigns (24738/CW, 19864/SSB and 5462/RTTY). QSL via EB7DX direct. All QSOs will be confirmed via LoTW automatically. The DXpedition's Web site is: http://www.revillagigedo2011.com
Online log available at: http://www.revillagigedo2011.com/en/log.html

4A, MEXICO (Special Event). Members of the DXXE (Mexican Contest and DX group) will activate the special callsign 4A0IARU between April 18-24th. Activity is to celebrate World Amateur Radio Day on April 18th, and the 86th anniversary of the founding of the International Amateur Radio Union, IARU. The theme for this year's celebration is "Amateur Radio: The first technology-based social network." QSL via N7RO. Don't send your QSL cards to the Mexican Bureau since they will not have QSLs to answer. Make sure your Bureau QSL card is clearly marked via N7RO. QSOs with this station are good for the DXXE Award. For more information, visit the DXXE Web page at: http://www.dxxe.org

5V, TOGO. A German group will be active as 5V7CC, from a location outside the capital city of Lome between the sea and Lac Togo, starting in the middle of April through the 28th. Operators mentioned are Werner/DL9MBI, Christian/DL3MBG, Armin/DL5MGH and Rudi/DL5MEV. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via DL9MBI (Bureau preferred). See QRZ.com for details on direct. Logs will be uploaded to Clublog at: http://www.clublog.org

6V/6W, SENEGAL. Operators Serge/UA0SC, Sergey/UA0SE, Alex/UA0SW and Igor/RZ0SR will be active as 6W/homecall from Senegal between March 17-28th. QSL via the operator's home callsign. However, during the Russia DX Contest (RDXC - March 19-20th) and the CQ WPX SSB Contest (March

26-27th) they will be active as 6V7D. QSL 6V7D via UA0SE. Activity outside the contest will be on all HF bands and all modes.

8P, BARBADOS. Yuri, VE3DZ, will once again be active as 8P9AA between March 9-29th. Activity will be on all HF bands using CW, SSB and RTTY. He is expected to be in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 26-27th) as 8P3A. QSL both callsigns via his home callsign.

8P, BARBADOS. Carsten, DF1XC, will be active as 8P9XC from Saint Philip, Barbados (NA-021), between July 23rd and August 15th. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. Log will be available at: http://www.clublog.org/logsearch/8p9xc

8TH MARITIME DX FORUM (MDF). The Halifax Amateur Radio Club (HARC) is pleased to invite all DXers, contesters and HF enthusiasts to attend the 2011 MDF. It will start on Friday, August 5th, at 4:00 pm, when the Maritime Contest Club (MCC) will sponsor a social gathering. This will be followed by a Pizza Dinner at 5:30 pm, an opportunity to pickup registration materials and socializing at a reception. The MDF program on Saturday, August 6th, will run from 8:30 am - 4:45 pm and will be followed at 5:00 pm by a reception and the MDF banquet.
The speakers - active and outstanding members of our ham radio community - include:
* John Devoldere, ON4UN, Low Band DXing for the 21st Century
* Scott Johns, W3TX, Practical Options for Operating a Remote Station
* Reg Beck, VE7IG, Islands On the Air: RSGB's Top Contest and Awards Program
* George Nicholson, N4GRN/VE1GRN, & Wes Lamboley, W3WL, The Antarctic Island: Still a Major Challenge for Amateur Radio
* Wes Lamboley, W3WL, Why do we do it? (Banquet Speaker)

The MDF will be held in the Rosaria Centre of Mount St. Vincent University in Halifax, Nova Scotia. Inexpensive accommodations are available at the university. This is a great opportunity to combine a top-notch ham radio event with a tourist visit to Canada's Maritime Provinces. Details about the program, sponsors, prizes, costs and accommodations as well as registration instructions can be found on the HARC Web site <www.harc-arc.org/mdf>. They may also be requested directly from the MDF Chairman, K. Scott Wood, VE1QD, who also will gladly answer any questions. He can be contacted at: ve1qd@rac.ca or at (902) 823-2761.

9N, NEPAL. A German team of operators will activate the callsigns 9N7AN and 9N7WL from the High View Resort (1570m ASL) in Dhulikhel, which is located about 25 km from Kathmandu, the capital city of Nepal, and 127 km west of the Mount Everest between March 26th and April 8th. Activity will be on all HF bands, 160-10 meters and 2 meters as well. Modes to be used are CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK31 and JT65b on 2m. The 9N7AN team consists of Heinz-Josef/DK5WL, Ernst/DK7AN, Georg/DL4SVA and Franz/DL9GFB. Ernst, DK7AN, will arrive early in Nepal on March 16th to prepare the 9N7AN activity and possibly be active from time to time on 40/30/20/17m. They also plan to activate Nepal for the first time on 144 MHz in JT65b by Earth-Moon-Earth (EME) communication using the callsign 9N7WL. The 2m

EME operation will be on March 30th. QSL 9N7AN via DL4SVA and 9N7WL via DK5WL. An OQRS is available via their Web page. For more details and updates, go to: http://www.160m.de/9N7AN/index.html

A2, BOTSWANA. Filip, ON4AEO, will be active as A25FC from Botswana between April 14-18th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via ON4CJK. Visit his Web page at: http://www.filipstattooshop.be/botswana

A5, BHUTAN. Operators Zorro/JH1AJT and Jay/JA1TRC will be active as A51A and A51J, respectively, from Bhutan between March 23-38th. Activity will be limited to their free time from work on the HF bands. QSL via JH1AJT.

CY0, SABLE ISLAND (Update). Operators Randy/N0TG, Jeff/N1NSB and Wayne/K8LEE continue to be active as homecall/CY0 from Sable Island (NA-063) until Tuesday, March 15th. According to their Web page: "The Team has been operating all bands but have experienced the same propagation problems due to solar flares that all of us, not on Sable Island, have witnessed this week. Two of the members have severe colds which has restricted their ability to operate SSB. Never the less, the three-operator team is approaching 20,000 Qs." QSL all callsigns via N0TG, direct or by the Bureau. They will have an "Online QSL Request Service" (OQRS) on their Web site for both direct and Bureau QSLs (see "How to QSL") at: http://www.CY0dxpedition.com
ADDED NOTE: Alan, VE1AWW, is scheduled to return to Sable Island as VE1AWW/CY0 between April and June. He is an assigned worker on Sable Island.

DAYTON HAMVENTION NEWS (DX Dinner Banquet). Members of the SouthWest Ohio DX Association (SWODXA) are pleased to announce that Dan Henderson, N1ND, of the ARRL will be the speaker at this year's DX Dinner which is held in conjunction with the 2011 Dayton Hamvention. The dinner will be at the Dayton Marriott on Friday, May 20th. Cash bar starts at 5:30 with dinner served at 7:15 pm.
CQ Hall of Fame awards will be presented at the dinner by Gail SHEEHAN, K2RED, Managing Editor, and Chip Margelli, K7JA, Director of Advertising and Marketing.
As in the past, there will be many excellent door prizes. They will include an IC7000 donated by Icom, and an Alpha 8410 amplifier donated by RF Concepts.
Dinner tickets are available through their web site at <www.SWODXA.org>. Print and complete the form, and submit it with your payment to Kirk Swallow, W8QID with a SASE.
Don't forget their new location; they will be at the Dayton Marriott, 1414 S. Patterson Blvd., Dayton, OH 45409. There is plenty of free onsite parking at ground level. Should you need accommodations, their phone number is 937 223-1000 or the website is:
http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/dayoh-dayton-marriott
Yaesu has donated a FT-2000 that will be raffled off at the DX Forum, which is held on Saturday afternoon. Proceeds from the raffle are used to sponsor DXpeditions. Presentation speakers will be announced at a

later date.
This is their 26th annual dinner, and they are eager to renew old
acquaintances and meet new ones.

DL0, GERMANY (Special Event). The special event callsign DL0YLWM will be
active between June 1st and July 31st. Activity is to celebrate the "Woman's
World Cup 2011" in Germany. There is also a short term award recognizing
this event. Further information can be found at:
http://www.darc.de/referate/yl/yl-fussball-wm-2011/yl-wm-diplom-2011/english
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DX2, PHILIPPINES (Attention Prefix Hunters!). Frank, VE7DP, is celebrating
his "50th year in HAM-RADIO", and he will be active between March 18-20th,
using the special callsign DX2DP. QSL via VE7DP.
Island. His schedule is 3 months ON and 3 Months OFF.

HQ2, HONDURAS. Operators Johnny/HQ2JCM, Dan/HR2DMR and his son Daniel
(JR.)/HQ2DMR, will be active as HQ2W during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest
(March 26-27th) as a Multi-Single/All-Band/Low-Power entry. They will
use monobander antennas on 20/15/10m and sloper antennas on 160/80/40m.
QSL via OK1DOT. QSL via address on QRZ.com.

IOTA NEWS.............................
AF-018. (Early Announcement) Operator Raffaele, IH9YMC, will be active
from Pantelleria Island (IIA TP-001, MIA MI-124, WW Loc.
JM56XT), African Italy, during the CQWW ZDX SSB Contest (October
29-30th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (??)/Low-Power entry.
QSL via eQSL.

AS-049. (POSTPONED) Take, JI3DST, has cancelled/postponed his trip
to Tokara Archipelago due to Japan's enormous earthquake
and Tsunami.

OC-091. (Late Announcement) Members of CW-Philippines ARC were expected
to activate DZ1P from Polillo Islands this past weekend (March
11-13th). Operators mentioned are Ed/4F1OZ, Gus/4F1EAA, Nani/
DU1COP and Gudo/4F3XX. Gil/4F2KWT and Frank/VE7DP were expected
to also joining the team. QSL via 4F1OZ or VE7DP.

J2, DJIBOUTI. Freddy, F5IRO, will be active as J28RO during the CQWW
WPX SSB Contest (March 26-27th). QSL via F8DFP.

JD1, OGASAWARA. Operators Makoto/JI5RPT (JD1BLY), Harry/JG7PSJ (JD1BMH)
and Masaru/JE4SMQ (JD1BMT) are scheduled once again to be active from
from Chichijima Island (AS-031), Ogasawara during the following dates:
JD1BLY: April 30th to May 7th
JD1BMT: April 30th to May 5th
JD1BMH: May 4-13th
Activity will be on 40-10 meters, possibly 80 and 6 meters (no EME),
using CW, SSB and RTTY. Check QRZ.com for QSL info.

JW, SVALBARD. Francois, F8DVD, will once again be active as JW/F8DVD from
Longyearbyen ARC located on Spitsbergen Island (EU-026, LAFF 033) between

April 1-8th. His activity will be on all HF bands mostly on SSB. He will use the Longyearbyen Radio Club's equipment which consists of an ICOM 751 and a 500 watts amp into a 5 elements yagi on a 30 meters high tower. QSL via his home callsign, through the French REF-Union Bureau or direct, w/SAE + 1 IRC (or 1 USD for EU, and 2 USDs for elsewhere) to: Francois Bergez, 6, Rue de la Liberte, F-71000 MACON, France. To see previous pictures from his JW/F8DVD activity, visit: http://f8dvd.monsite-orange.fr

JW, SVALBARD. Jon, LA8HGA, will be active as JW9HGA from Longyearbyen ARC located on Spitsbergen Island (EU-026) between May 19-23rd. Activity will be on the HF bands and CW only. QSL is via LA8HGA, by the Bureau or direct.

KH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Operators Eri/JF1VGZ (an 11 year old YL) and Masa/JA1MFR will be active as KH0/KH7ERI and KH0/WN1Y, respectively, from Saipan between March 25-29th. QSL via JF1VGZ direct. Also, check out the Web page at: http://www.qrz.com/db/kh7eri

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (March 14-20th)....
Mar 14 AN-HN SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS
Mar 15 AN --------------------
Mar 16 AN BN - Below Normal
Mar 17 AN-HN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Mar 18 AN LN - Low Normal
Mar 19 AN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Mar 20 AN DIS - Disturbed
VDIS - Very Disturbed

GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

LX, LUXEMBOURG. Lars, DF1LON, will be active as LX7I during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via LX2A. Visit the following Web page at: http://www.lx2a.com

KP4, PUERTO RICO. To celebrate his 20 years in Digital Amateur Radio (and his birthday) Jose, KP4JRS, will be active as special event station with the callsign K4J between March 14-29th. Operation will be mostly on RTTY and PSK31. This will include an entry on the Russian DX and CQ WPX SSB Contests. A special Electronic Certificate will be available via his home callsign and http://k4j.kp4jrs.com .

OE11, AUSTRIA. The Amateur Radio Section of ORF (Austrian Broadcasting Corporation) and the Documentary Archives Radio Communications/QSL Collection will operate, for only 72 hours, a special event station with the callsign OE11M between Friday, April 29th and Sunday, May 1st (0000-2400z). The OE11M is an official "International Marconi Day"

station. Contacts made on Saturday, April 30th, are valid for the IMD Award. QSL via OE Bureau or direct to OE1WHC. Cards without SAE and (new!) IRC or green stamps to cover postage will be processed via Bureau.

PJ2, CURACAO (YL Op/Update/Reminder). Just a reminder that a YL team of operators (Gayle/K6GO, Margie/KG6TBR, Ellen/N6UWW, Michelle/W5NYV, Rusty/AF6WF and Georgia/KI6LAV) will be activating the PJ2T Signal Point Station on Curacao (SA-099, WLOTA LH-0942) as PJ2/NA6YL between March 18-21st. They plan to have 4 stations on the air operating 24 hours on as many bands as possible. QSL direct to NA6YL (w/SAE and 2 USDs) to: YL DX-peditions, 2104 Poplar Rd, Oceanside, CA 92058 USA. All QSOs will be confirmed via LOTW amd eQSL. Visit the YLs DXpeditions Web page at: http://www.yldxpeditions.com

PJ2, CURACAO. Operators Jan-Willem/PA7JWC and Monique/PD7DB will be active as PJ2/homecall from Curacao (SA-099, WLOTA LH-0942) between April 15-22nd. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL PJ2/PA7JWC via PA7JWC or LoTW. QSL via PJ2/PD7DB via PD7DB. For updates, visit Jan-Willem Web page at: http://www.pa7jwc.nl

PJ4, BONAIRE (2m & 6m EME Planned). Operators Peter/PJ4NX, Johan/PA3FPQ, Jurgen/PE1LWT and Ren&#65533;/PE1L will be active from the island of Bonaire (SA-006, WLOTA L1279) as PJ4X on 144 MHz moonbounce between April 7-11th. The locator is FK52ud. It was announced this past weekend (by popular demand), the PJ4X will also be setting up a horizon-only 6m EME operation from PJ4-land for the first time ever. PJ4X will be operating on both moonrise and moonset when their moon is below 20 degrees elevation providing them with ground gain lobes. Experienced 6m EME operators know that these ground gain lobes can make your horizon-only antenna perform like a 4 yagi array. QSL via PE1L. For more details and updates, go to:
http://www.emelogger.com/bonaire
http://www.emelogger.com/bonaire/default.asp?page&#65533;e
ADDED NOTE: Operators Johan/PA3FPQ, Jurgen/PE1LWT and Ren&#65533;/PE1L will also be active as PJ2/PE1L from Curacao (SA-099, WLOTA LH-0942) between April 14-18th. Activity will also be on 144 MHz moonbounce only. The locator is FK52nc. For more details and updates, go to:
http://www.emelogger.com/curacao/default.asp?page&#65533;e

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated March 13th)

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4J3DF via RW6HS (direct only) FT5YK/P via F5PFP TM100CCAE via F6FMT
4L6DL via LZ1OT KL7J via N3SL TO7A via UT5UGR
5Z4/OH1RX via OH1RX KP2/W1MJ via W1MJ TP50CE via F5LGF
5Z4KI via YO9AFH KP4/KH2RU via NP3O (direct) UK/JA0VSH via JA0VSH
8P9AA via VE3DZ LU/FT5YK via F5PFP V25OP via W9OP
9J2GS via PA3CPI LZ85R via LZ1BJ VK4LDX/P via

VK8PDX
AY5F via LU5FC NO8DX/20 via KB8BW W1EI/KH2 via
JR1GSE
C4Z via G3SWH TA2/DL7BC via DL7BC W2FJ/KH2 via
JA1SVP
CY0/VE1AWW via VE1AWW TE8X via TI5AA YY8CAM via YV8AD
EA4BQ/EA8 via EA4BQ TF/DL2JRM via DL2JRM ZA/I2GPT via
I2GPT
FG/F6ITD via F6ITD TM7F via F6KRC ZV1WDX via PU1XDX
(direct)

VP8ORK LoTW STATUS. A press release from Don, N1DG, states: "The VP8ORK team is pleased to announce we have completed the first upload of LoTW credits to the ARRL's website. If you were either a donor of our expedition or used our direct OQRS service you should see those contacts that match our log."

ZL8X QSL/LOTW STATUS. Christian, DL1MGB, reports, "We got our first boxes with QSL cards from the printer. Thanks to the QSL-Shop in Berlin for their fast and professional service and the excellent quality of the QSL cards! We already started to send the first QSL cards. DX clubs with a special QSL service for their members (GDXF, SDXF and DDXG) were the first who got them. Followed by another 1000 letters last week we continue working on the over 4000 direct requests which came through OQRS. On the day we received the QSL cards from the printer, we uploaded ALL QSOs to LOTW. Please check your LOTW account before asking us when we will upload LOTW! Nevertheless it can happen due to wrong dates/times that this or that QSO does not show up in LOTW. You may contact us, and we can have a look at it." To read the complete press release, go to: http://www.kermadec.de/news/news_archives/index.php?task&#65533;ownews&id&#65533;8

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 4X20HC, 5H3/IK2GZU, 6W/PA3EWP, 7Z1HL, 9A5AN, 9K2F, C6ANM, C6APG, CE3DNP, CN8KD, CW5W, EF8R, F2DX, HH4/AF4Z, HH4/K4QD, LZ170MDS, IZ4GWE, J7Y, J73WA, JH1MDJ, KH2L, KH6/AA4V, KL7RA, KM4DR, LU6ETB, LY100SP, MD/PA3EWP, NY3C, OM5MF, ON4KEB, P49Y, PJ2/DF7ZS, PJ2/K9NV, PJ2/OE3JAG, PJ2/W1NG, PJ2/WI9WI, PJ2MI, PJ2T, PJ4A, PJ4D, PJ4N, PJ4NX, PJ5/AA4NC, PJ5/AH6HY, PJ5/K1XM, PJ6/N4HH, PJ6A, PJ7/K1GI, PJ7E, PJ7/KC0VKN, PZ5RA, S59ABC, SV1CQN, SV9/ON6WP, TG9AGR, TM6M, UA6YGN, V21ZG, V31YN, V44KAI, VE3IFS/W2, VE3WU, VK3BM, VP2MXF, VP8ORK, WP4SK, XE2S, XE7S, YO9HP, ZL50VK and ZS2I

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3B8/EA3BT, 3B8/SP2FUD, 3C0CW, 5J0BV, 6Y1LZ, 7Z1HL, 9M6YBG, 9Q50ON, C4SV, CM3RPN, CS7/PD0HNL, CY0X, DP1POL, E51PJT, ER240C, ET3JA, FM/F5LGE, FJ/VE3EY, FO/N6JA, JY4NE, LU1ZC, OH1K, OM3EY, OZ5E, PJ2/N2MF, PJ2/OH1VR, PJ2MI, PJ2T, PJ4D, PJ4I, PJ4N, PJ5/AA4NC, PJ5/AH6HY, PJ5/K1XM, PJ5/SP6IXF, PJ6A, PJ7E, S21YX, SA3W, ST2AR, SV9AHZ, SY8AN, TM0WAP, V31YN, V73NS, VK0KEV, YN2DD, YS4/N0AT, Z23MS, Z24EA, ZD9T and ZL8X

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: NONE REPORTED THIS WEEK!

S2, BANGLADESH. The "Foundation with Global Children (FGC) DX Group" is pleased to announce their next multi-national DXpedition to Bangladesh using the callsign S21YZ between March 17-30th. Bangladesh is the 14th most wanted country in North America. Activity will be on 160-10 meters, including the 30/17/12 meter bands, and using the modes CW, SSB and RTTY. The team plans to erect high gain antennas, use filtering and receive antennas, and run 4 stations with amplifiers 24 hours a day. They state, "We have a new and improved QTH and will focus on the low bands to maximize this time of year. Also, we intend to listen carefully to the needs of the DX community during the operation by monitoring the activity on our Web site, and other social media outlets for band openings, and dialogue with the radio community." Operators mentioned are: Zorro/JH1AJT/A51A (Team Leader), Jay/JA1TRC/KH2J, Hiroyuki/JP1TRJ, Nao/JA1HGY, Eun-Gwang/DS4EOI, Jon/KL2A, and 3 other operators TBA. QSL via JH1AJT, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW. For more details, visit their We pages at:
http://www.s21yx.com/index.php
http://www.facebook.com/S21YX
http://twitter.com/#%21/search/s21yz
At this time the team is seeking contributions from sponsors and the DX community at large to help defray the significant logistics costs of this DXpedition. All team members will be covering their own travel costs. Donations are being requested to cover shipping, licensing, and the other necessary fees. Details of how to donate appear on the S21YX web page at:
http://www.s21yx.com/sponsors.php
PayPal and Secure credit card donations may be made directly via the Web site. Thank you for your consideration in whatever you can offer.

SJ9WL AND LG5LG, MOROKULIEN STATION. Operators Hugo/PA2HW, Robert/PA2RDK, Frank/PA3CNO, Paul/PA3DFR and Gert/PE0MGB will activate the special Swedish/Norwegian peace monument "Morokulien" as LG5LG and SJ9WL between April 10-16th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. The callsign will change every day at 0000z. An award will be available for 2 contacts with each call on different bands and different days. QSL via Bureau or direct to LA4EKA. For more details on this station, visit: http://www.sj9wl-lg5lg.com

TC18, TURKEY (Special Event). Members of the Turkish group called TCSWAT (Special Wireless Activity Team) are proud to announce that special event station TC18M will be active on the air between March 14-20th, to com-memorate the Naval Victory of March 18, 1915. Operators Ahemt/TA3AX, Onur/TB2MYE, Tevfik/TA1HZ, Hasan/TA1GE and Leonardo/TA1FR will be active from Canakkale - the Dardanelles to commemorate the Naval Victory. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW, SSB and BPSK31. This year's QSL Manager is TA1HZ. More detailed information is available at:
http://www.qrz.com --or-- http://www.tcswat.org
PLEASE NOTE: The QSL cards will be ready for Friedrichshafen Messe (end of June) distribution; therefore, please do not hurry for sending in your QSL cards direct (unless you need them for DXCC or something else).

TJ, CAMEROON (Special Event). Henry, TJ3AY, is now active with the special callsign, TJ3FC, until March 30th. Activity is to commemorate the 51st anniversary of the "Francophonie". He was spotted this past week on 80/40/

12/10/6 meters SSB. A special QSL cards has been printed (see QRZ.com). QSL via F5LGE.

TK, CORSICA. Chris, F8DZY, will be on a job mission in Ajaccio between March 23rd and April 17th. He plans to be active as TK/F8DZY. Activity will be limited to his free time but will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. He will be using an Icom 7600 with 100 watts into a vertical. QSL via his home callsign, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW.

TO1, MARTINIQUE. Maurizio, IW1GGN, will be active as TO1N from Martinique (NA-107) between now and March 18th. Activity will be holiday style and mainly on 20 meters. QSL only direct to IW1GGN.

TO11, GUADELOUPE (NA-102). Gildas, F6HMQ, will once again be active from here, but this time using a special callsign, TO11A, between March 20th and April 1st. He plans to also be active in the upcoming CQ WPX SSB Contest (March 26-27th) as a Single-Op entry. QSL via F6HMQ.

VC2, CANADA. Operators VE2BR/Noel and VE3ZZ/Gregg will be active using the special callsign VC2B during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 26-27th) as a Multi-Single entry. QTH will be Mercier, Quebec (Zone 5, Grid Loc FN35dh). QSL to VE2BR.

VK9, LORD HOWE ISLAND. Members of the Hellenic Amateur Radio Association of Australia (HARAOA Group) are planning a major DXpedition to Lord Howe Island (OC-004) as VK9HR for 10 days between July 8-17th. The group plans to operate on multiple bands simultaneously to give everyone a chance to contact Lord Howe Island. This the same group of operators that activated VI2BI from Broughton Island (OC-212) back in February 2010, and VK9NI from Norfolk Island (OC-005) in July 2009. The VK9HR DXpedition team leader is Tommy/VK2IR and co-leader John/VK3YP. QSL is via: HARAOA, Attn: VK9HR QSL MANAGER, PO BOX 13, SANS SOUCI, NSW 2219, AUSTRALIA. Look for more details by the end of April on the team of operators, frequencies and equipment at: http://www.vk9hr.com

VU4, ANDAMAN ISLANDS (Update). By the time you read this, 11 members of the Amateur Radio Society of India (ARSI) are in Port Blair (and 6 more to follow in a few days), are beginning to prepare to be active as VU4PB between March 15-31st. Before their schedule date to operate the team has plenty to do. Much of the equipment was sent by sea freight and has been received at Port Blair awaiting for them to unpack and deployment to the three operating sites. Some items missed the last sailing and have gone out via air freight. It will be a busy few days before the stations go on the air. More details and updates, visit: http://arsi.info/dxpeditions/vu4pb-mar-2011

Z2, ZIMBABWE. Rudi, DK7PE, will be active as Z22CW from Harare between March 20-26th. His main focus will be CW using wire antennas (Jumper Beam/Slopers). He is thankful for the great support of Eric/Z21FO, Fernando/ Z21BB and POTRAZ Zimbabwe, because he was issued the callsign Z22CW. QSL via DK7PE. Visit his Web apge at: http://www.rooody.de

ZC4, U.K. SOV. BASE AREAS ON CYPRUS. Tom, ZC4TS, states that he is sorry but ZC4 is off the air for good. The radio is disconnected and the antennas are down. Tom is headed back to the states for good in 2 weeks. If you were still looking for a contact with ZC4, you'll have to get in touch with Steve, ZC4LI. He's the only other ZC4 that Tom knows and is off the air currently.

ZK2, NIUE. Chris/GM3WOJ/GM2V will once again be active as ZK2V from Niue (OC-040) starting about October 15th, and onward. Keith/GM4YXI/GM5X, will join him for 2 weeks during the DXpedition and will be active in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via N3SL. Chris informs OPDX, "I hope to be active as ZK2V for several months, from a new QTH on the island. ZK2V will be making an extra effort on the low bands, with special antennas to overcome the local QRN problems on 160m and 80m which made these bands difficult in 2009." Chris states that the Web site <http://www.zk2v.com> will be updated as soon as more detailed information is available.

ZS8, MARION ISLAND (Reminder/Uodate). Pierre, ZS1HF/ZS8M, has ceased his ZS8M operation as of Sunday, March 13th. He states, "Our polar supply ship arrives on Tuesday, March 14th, and departs the island on March 20th. If I am able to operate after March 20th, I certainly will. The ZS8M operation officially ends on May 5th." Watch the QRZ.com Web page or the ZS8M Web page <http://www.iz8epy.it/html/zs8m.html> for updates.

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Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>

OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):

http://www.papays.com/opdx.html

ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:

http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html

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274. Japanese Disaster Communications

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-14 15:12:55 UTC
From: ARRL Members Only Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20110314135212.40C5720857@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 4714
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

The images from Japan are heart-rending. Evidently amateur radio is being used within Japan and in the international community to provide support.

This was posted on the International Amateur Radio Union Region 1 website:

===Japan Earthquake/Pacific Tsunami - Update 2
Written by G0DUB

Saturday, 12 March 2011 09:39

HF frequencies are now known to be in use by Japanese amateurs as part of their emergency response:

7043 kHz SSB: controlled by JR3QHQ the Osaka branch manager of JARL He is gathering incident information on radio and forwarding this information onto the internet.

7075 kHz SSB: Operated by JL3YSP in Wakayama occasionally.

7030 kHz : JARL emergency communication frequency in their bandplan is in use by JA7RL (JARL regional HQ station).

Would all amateurs please make every effort to avoid interfering with emergency communications on these frequencies.

Last Updated on Saturday, 12 March 2011 12:18

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Jack Powley, WAØSAQ, sent me an email that indicated that Toru, JG1EIQ, asked that specific frequencies be kept clear:

Following freq's are assigned for emergency QSO. Please keep clear. Thank you for your kind help! Ops JARL & volunteers - 3520 to 3530, 7025 to 7035, 14090 to 14110, 21190 to 21200, 28190 to 28210, 50100, 51000, 141000, 145000, 430100, 433000 kHz.

I do not know how official this list is. However, please be careful to monitor any frequency before you transmit to be sure that you are not using a frequency being used in the disaster response.

If I get more information, I will send it out.

73, Art KØAIZ

ARRL Nebraska Section

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k0aiz@arrl.org
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275. More information on Japanese use of Amateur Radio Frequencies

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-14 15:13:55 UTC
From: ARRL Members Only Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20110314135612.1902420861@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 4715
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Just as I sent off my last email, I received the following:

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Hi friends

QTC ! A1 CLUB DX members and other

As you may know, we had a terrible quake in northern part of Japan on
Friday afternoon last week. After three days past, more than 2000
killed and more than 10000 missing up to now. Also, the nuclear power
plants located in Fukushima-pref. is getting serious situation.

We as an amateur radio operator are gathering and exchanging emergency
information on the following frequencies.

Please kindly keep clean these freqs.
3525KHz+/-5KHz
7030KHz+/-5KHz
14.100MHz+/-10KHz
21.200MHz+/-10KHz
28.200MHz+/-10KHz
50.100MH z 、51.000MH z 、51.500MHz
144.100MHz、145.000MHz、145.500MHz
430.100MHz、433.000MHz、433.500MHz

Thank you for your kind cooperation.

A1 CLUB secretary
Atsu, JE1TRV

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Please be careful to avoid these frequencies.

73, Art KØAIZ

ARRL Nebraska Section
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276. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-14 21:21:33 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <4a56dcf8-4b33-448a-9951-82633f6a39ca@n2g2000prj.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4716

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On Mar 13, 10:28 pm, 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdg...@gmail.com> wrote:
>       ALL HOT PHOTOS SUPER SeXY
can the spam
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277. [DXNL] DXNL 1719 (Mar 16, 2011)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-15 00:15:43 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <2826242390.20110315011219@dxhf.darc.de>
Source record: 4717
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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EMERGENCY TRAFFIC IN JAPAN

DXpeditions and radio amateurs all around the world are asked to keep the
following frequency ranges clear for emergency traffic in Japan:
3520-3530, 7025-7035, 14090-14110, 21190-21200, 28190-28210, 50100, 51000,
14100, 14500, 430100 and 433000 kHz.
Please be aware that this includes also RTTY fequencies!

CT3 - MADEIRA, AF-014
Helmut,CT9/DF7ZS, is going to activate Madeira (AF-014) in "holiday
style" preferably on the WARC bands from Mar 22-29. QSL via DF7ZS.
Helmut will join the WPX SSB Contest in the single OP/allband class
as CQ3L. QSLs for CQ3L via DJ6QT.

CU - AZORES, EU-003
Roger,CT8/G3SXW, and Lionel,CT8/G5LP, will be active only in CW from
the island San Miguel (EU-003) on Mar 16/17. They will live on a farm
near Ponta Delgada with enough space for wire antennas. For both this
is a trip with focus on the hobby and also on culinary highlights.
QSLs via bureau, direct or LoTW to their homecalls.

FG - GUADELOUPE, NA-102
Gildas,F6HMQ, will be on Guadeloupe (NA-102) again and plan to use the
special callsign TO11A between Mar 20 and Apr 1. He wants to join the
WPX SSB Contest as well. QSLs direct or via bureau to his homecall.

FM - MARTINIQUE, NA-107
Maurizio,IW1GGN, will show up as TO1N from Martinique (NA-107)
working in holiday style mainly on 20m from Mar 12-18.
QSLs unfortunately only direct via IW1GGN.

GJ - JERSEY, EU-013
Kazu,JK3GAD (M0CFW), will be QRV from Jersey (EU-013) signing MJ0CFW

on 160m-10m from Mar 18-21 (including Russian DX Contest).
QSL via M0CFW or LoTW.

PJ2 - CURACAO, SA-099
Some members of the Caribbean Contesting Consortium (CCC) will be QRV
from the "Signal Point Station" on Curacao (SA-099, WLOTA LH-0942) from
Mar 22 until Apr 6. Marty,K2PLF, and friends will sign PJ2T in the WPX
SSB Contest. They will be QRV as PJ2/homecall before and after the WPX.
QSLs via homecalls, for PJ2T via N9AG or LoTW.

The YL team of Gayle,K6GO, Margie,KG6TBR, Ellen,N6UWW, Michelle,W5NYV,
Rusty,AF6WF, and Georgia,KI6LAV, will be active as PJ2/NA6YL from
"Signal Point Station" as well from Mar 18-21. Operation takes place
on all bands with up to four stations.
QSL cards only direct (SAE and 2 US $) to NA6YL, YL DXpeditions,
2104 Poplar Rd, Oceanside, CA 92058, USA.
All QSOs will be confirmed via LoTW and eQSL as well.
See also their website at: http://www.yldxpeditions.com

Dirk,PJ2/DO7DP, is staying on Curacao from Mar 15-30. During the first
week of his stay he will only work during the night hours. Activities
take place in PSK31, RTTY and SSB on 10m, 20m and 40m.
QSL via bureau, eQSL or LoTW.

S2 - BANGLADESH
Zorro,JH1AJT, Nao,JA1HGY, Jon,KL2A, Hiroyuki,JP1TRJ, Jay,JA1TRC/KH2J,
Eun-Gwang,DS4EOI, and three more operators will show up as S21YZ from
Mar 15-29. They will work with four stations (all equipped with ampli-
fiers) in SSB, CW and RTTY on 160m-6m, with emphasis put on lowbands.
QSL via JH1AJT, via bureau, direct or LoTW.
For more details please click on: http://www.s21yx.com

VK9C - COCOS KEELING ISLANDS, OC-003
Tim,NL8F, plans to become QRV as VK9CF from Cocos Keeling (OC-003) from
Mar 19-29. He hopes the conditions will be better than last year and
plans activities in SSB on 80m-10m, maybe also on 160m. QSL via K8NA.
He wants to take part in the upcoming CQ WPX SSB Contest as well.

Z2 - ZIMBABWE
Rudi,DK7PE, announced to be active as Z22CW from Harare from Mar 20-26.
Rudi is using wire antennas and he is known to work mainly in CW on
all bands but especially on 160m. QSL via bureau or direct to DK7PE.
You can visit Rudi's homepage at: http://www.rooody.de

3D2 - FIJI, OC-016
Eddie,VK4AN, and Kenneth,OZ1IKY, are going to hit the airwaves from
the main island Nadi (OC-016) between Mar 15 and Apr 2. They will sign
3D2A in CW/SSB/RTTY/PSK on 160m-6m and are looking forward to their
pile-ups on the lowbands. They will put up a groundplane for 30m/40m, a
Spiderbeam for the high bands and a K9AY Loop for receiving on 80/160m.
Eddie and Kenneth plan to join also the BARTG RTTY Contest and the
CQWW WPX SSB Contest.

QSL cards for 3D2A should be sent via bureau or direct to VK4AN.
More information can be found at: http://pacific-dxers.com/News.html

6W - SENEGAL
RZ0SR/6W, UA0SC/6W, UA0SE/6W and UA0SW/6W will be QRV in all modes on
all bands from Mar 17-28. QSLs via UA bureau or direct to each OP).
They will sign 6V7D in the WPX Contest. QSL for 6V7D via UA0SE.

8P - BARBADOS, NA-021
VE3DZ is working as 8P9AA in RTTY, SSB and CW from Mar 9-29.
He plans to join the WPX Contest as 8P3A. QSL via VE3DZ, bureau ok.

9N - NEPAL
Ernst,DK7AN (9N7AN), will show up from Dhulikhel/Nepaln on Mar 16.
His activities are limited to 40m, 30m, 20m and 17m. He will be joined
by other OPs from Germany about ten days later. More info in next DXNL.
The QSL cards should be sent via bureau, direct or LoTW to DL4SVA.

NAMIBIA, SPECIAL EVENT STATION
The special event station V521NAM will be active on Mar 19-21 to
celebrate 21 years of the independence of Namibia. The "Namibian
Amateur Radio League" (NARL) was founded in 1990 as well. The station
will be QRV in CW, SSB and PSK on 80m-10m and also on 6m/2m/70cm and
via satellites. QSLs via the NARL QSL bureau, direct or via eQSL.

PUERTO RICO, SPECIAL EVENT STATION
Jose,KP4JRS, celebrates the 20th anniversary of the day he got his
first radio licence. For this reason he will use the special call K4J
from Mar 14-29. Jose prefers working in RTTY and PSK31.
See also his website: http://k4j.kp4jrs.com

TURKEY, SPECIAL EVENT STATION
The TC Special Wireless Activity Team (http://www.tcswat.org) is active
as TC18M from Mar 14-20 remembering the battle of Gallipoli on Mar 18,
1915. The OPs Ahmet,TA3AX, Onur,TB2MYE, Tevfik,TA1HZ, Hasan,TA1GE, and
Leonardo,TA1FR, are working from Tschanakkale in CW/SSB/PSK31 on HF.
QSLs also via bureau to TA1HZ.

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de
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The unsuccessful DX0DX DXpedition to the Spratly Islands was postponed
until next year. Find more information at: http://www.dx0dx.net

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Mar 19: Russian DX Contest
Mar 19-21: BARTG HF RTTY Contest

IOTA collected by Fredy,DE0MST (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AS-001, VU, Andaman Islands: Some members of the ARS of India plan to show
up as VU4PB from Port Blair on South Andaman Island from Mar 15-31.
QSL via W3HNK (direct).

EU-120, G/M, English Coastal Islands: Kevan,2E0WMG, and Jonathan,G0DVJ, will
be QRV from Lundy Island from Mar 21-26. For QSL details see QRZ.com.

EU-125, OZ, Jylland West Group: Stefan,DL7AOS, will be active as 5P5K from
Roemoe Island from Mar 20 until Apr 1. He will work in "holiday style"
mainly in SSB on the usual IOTA frequencies 28460, 24950, 21260, 14260,
18128, 7055 and 3755 kHz. Stefan also wants to join the WPX Contest on
Mar 26/27. QSL via homecall (bureau/direct).

Lighthouse activities (WLOTA/ARLHS/ILLW)

CT8/G3SXW D 2640 Sao Miguel Island Mar 16/17
CT8/G5LP D 2640 Sao Miguel Island Mar 16/17
FP/W6HGF H 0328 Miquelon Mar 14-23
MJ0CFW A 1616 Jersey Island Mar 18-21
PJ2/K6GO J 6372 Curacao Mar 18-21
VU4PB F 1205 S. Andaman Island Mar 15-31
3D2A K 4710 Viti Levu Island Mar 15-Apr 2

Bandspots of the last 7 days

160m
A92IO 1.849 1946Z via EI3IO (B)
FM5CD 1.819 0439Z via F5VU (B)
HC2/KF6ZWD 1.819 0548Z (d), see QRZ.com
K8LEE/CY0 1.826 0341Z NA-063, via N0TG (B)
KP2/KS9W 1.832 0358Z via KS9W
TG7WW 1.816 0511Z via KD4POJ (B), (L)
VP9/AA1AC 1.829 0433Z via AA1AC (B)
ZL3IX 1.832 1807Z (d)

80m
ZA/I2GPT 3.778 2142Z via I2GPT (B)

40m
EA4ESP/p 7.033 0832Z SOTA VGCC-247
FM4LV 7.137 0024Z NA-107, via W3HNK (d)
SV3IEG/1/p 7.115 1323Z SOTA AT-012
SV3IEG/1/p 7.140 1224Z SOTA AT-029
ZA/I2GPT 7.005 1029Z via I2GPT (B)

30m
EA2EA/p 10.118 0958Z SOTA NV-136
YL2EC 10.118 1047Z via N3SL (B)
4F9HXB 10.103 2032Z via DL5SDF (B)

20m
CR5WFF 14.180 1505Z CT-FF11, via CT1EJB (B)
DZ1P 14.038 1415Z OC-091, via 4F1OZ
EA3YK/p 14.285 0909Z SOTA EA5/VL-004
EC1CW/p 14.280 1534Z SOTA LU-029
J47XCF 14.011 1519Z via SV7FSK (d), eQSL
N1SNB/CY0 14.022 1538Z NA-063, via N0TG (B)
NE1SJ/p 14.061 1659Z SOTA W1/CR-014
OD5QB 14.280 1616Z via YO3FRI (B), (L)
SV3IEG/1/p 14.292 1340Z SOTA AT-012
TE8X 14.211 2129Z NA-116, via TI5AA (d)
TO1N 14.178 1715Z NA-107, via IW1GGN (d)
V25WY 14.212 2042Z via W4OWY (B)
VP9/AA1AC 14.013 1223Z NA-005, via AA1AC (B)
W2VV/p 14.062 2021Z SOTA W2/EH-013
3V8SS 14.279 1558Z via IZ8CCW (B)
9K2F 14.025 0535Z AS-118, via 9K2HN (B)

17m
EC1CW/p 18.138 1653Z SOTA LU-032
EX8AB 18.137 1142Z
H44MS 18.127 1012Z via DL2GAC (B)
K8LEE/CY0 18.073 1726Z NA-063, via N0TG (B)
N1SNB/CY0 18.075 1319Z NA-063, via N0TG (B)
PJ2/W5ZPA 18.140 1854Z SA-099

15m
DZ1P 21.200 1317Z OC-091, via 4F1OZ
FM5LD 21.006 1710Z via bureau ok
HZ1FS 21.274 1436Z via EA7FTR
SV5BYR 21.262 1456Z (d)
TE8X 21.260 1707Z NA-116, via TI5AA (d)
V5/DJ4SO 21.022 1630Z via DJ4SO (B)
YC9DEB 21.280 1443Z via HA3JB (d)
4A4A 21.014 1909Z via EB7DX (d)
4A4A 21.275 1743Z NA-030, via EB7DX (d)
4X20HC 21.247 1632Z via 4Z4TL

12m
VP9/AA1AC 24.898 1440Z NA-005, via AA1AC (B)
5N7M 24.922 1657Z RTTY, via OM3CGN (B)

10m
A92IO 28.510 1043Z via EI3IO (B)
D2AM 28.520 1643Z via OM5AM (B)
PJ4/K2NG 28.001 1453Z via WA2NHA
V5/DJ4SO 28.016 1001Z via DJ4SO (B)

* = new QSL manager
(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(L) = LoTW
(r) = bureau QSL via e-mail request

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

21Mar-26Mar 2E0WMG.. 1719 *
15Mar-02Apr 3D2A 1719 *
-Dec 3Y8XSA 1700/1717
03Mar-20Mar 4A4A 1717
-25Oct 5B50J 1700
20Mar-01Apr 5P5K 1719 *
20Feb-14Apr 5X1NH 1715
-Apr/12 5Z4RH ? 1674

01Feb-31Mar 6W2SC/J5UAP 1712
11Mar-21Mar 7P8KDJ & 7P8CF 1718
09Mar-23Mar 7P8PB 1718
09Mar-29Mar 8P9AA 1719 *
13Mar-30Mar 9A/VE3ZIK 1718
01Mar-20Mar 9G1AA 1716
-Sep 9J2KK 1682
-Apr 9M2MRS 1697
NOW 9M6/KM9D 1699
16Mar- 9N7AN 1719 *
SOON 9Q1EK 1669
-Nov 9Q6CC 1699

-Aug A92IO 1663
-31Dec BP100 1684
-31Dec BV100 1684
14Mar-21Mar CN2MR 1718
-01May CN2PV 1714
16Mar/17Mar CT8/G5LP.. 1719 *
22Mar-29Mar CT9/DF7ZS 1719 *
10Mar-06Apr CT9/DL3KWR.. 1718
-31Dec CW5RV 1711
-May D2AK 1675
-17Mar D2AM 1710
-22Apr D2QR 1675
-31Aug DL20Y2DM 1700

09Mar-31Mar FG/F6ITD 1718
12Mar-18Mar FM/IW1GGN 1719 *
-Aug FO8RZ 1636
14Mar-22Mar FP/W6HGF 1718
-Jul/12 FR8NE 1710
-Mar FT5YK/p.. 1715
13Jan-12Apr H44MS 1710
-31Dec HB60LU 1711
01Jan-31Dec HG200LST 1708
-30Jun HG2011A 1713
Mar -May HI3/KL7JR 1717
Mar -May HR5/F2JD 1718

01Jan-31Dec IA7MM 1708
01Jan-31Dec II1ITA.. 1708
05Mar-20Mar II0IDP 1717
05Mar-20Mar II0ICH 1717
01Mar-30Sep IO4UI 1717
01Jan-31Mar IO7DAI 1708
-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul/12 J28RO 1683
21Feb-28Mar J73CCM.. 1715
CANCELLED JI3DST/JI6 1718
14Mar-29Mar K4J 1719 *
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
04Mar-16Mar KH3/KC2LSD 1717
POSTPONED KH5 1674/1705

-31Dec LA200D 1713
-31Mar LM11SKI 1713
NOW LU1ZA (S.O.) 1695
18Mar-21Mar MJ0CFW 1719 *
-Sep P29CW 1713
01Jan-31Dec PA30.. 1708
15Mar-30Mar PJ2/DO7DP 1719 *
22Mar-06Apr PJ2/K2PLF.. 1719 *
18Mar-21Mar PJ2/NA6YL 1719 *
10Mar-17Mar PJ2/W5FKX.. 1718
21Feb-19Mar PJ7/W8EB.. 1716
-Dec RI1ANC 1708
17Mar-28Mar RZ0SR/6W 1719 *
15Mar-29Mar S21YZ 1719 *

01Mar-17Mar T30AQ & T30RH 1716
2010 -May T6JC & T6TL 1695
14Mar-20Mar TC18M 1719 *
15Feb-17Mar TG7/N6ND 1715
20Mar-01Apr TO11A (FG) 1719 *
18Mar TP50CE 1718
-Mar V21ZG 1716
08Mar-18Mar V25WY & V25OP 1717
10Mar-17Mar V4/K5MV 1718
16Feb-30Mar V47JA.. 1715
06Mar-16Mar V5/ZS6AYU 1717
19Mar-21Mar V521NAM 1719 *
19Mar-29Mar VK9CF 1719 *
Nov -Mar/12 VK0KEV (Macq) 1700/1701
11Mar-18Mar VP2V/G3PHO 1718
09Mar-18Mar VP5/VE3OP 1718
15Mar-31Mar VU4PB 1718
06Mar-18Mar VX3X/W4 1717

NOW XT2RJA 1712
02Mar-28Mar XU7FMZ 1717
20Mar-26Mar Z22CW 1719 *

-Sep ZD9GI 1691
-31Dec ZL50GH 1711
01Jan-31Mar ZL50VK 1708
-11Apr ZS8M 1674/1711

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

AY5F via LU5FC (B)
BG4WNW (d)
BG6JPV via BA4EG (B), (L), eQSL
BH3OTC (d), eQSL
BV100S via BX4AN (d), eQSL
C4Z via G3SWH (B)
CY0/VE1AWW via VE1AWW (B)
EA4BQ/EA8 via EA4BQ (B)
ED5K via EA5RKB (B)
EE3A via EA3ATM (B), (L)
EE5B only (L) or eQSL
EF2F via EA2DNR (B)
EH2PDB via EA2URV (B)
EH5FAG via EA5GRN (B), eQSL
FG/F6ITD via F6ITD (B)
FT5YK/p via F5PFP (B)
HF40FO via SP2PMW (B)
II4PRI via IZ1JKW (B)
IR2CUI via IQ2ER
KL7J via N3SL (B)
SO8T via SP8TJU (B), (L)
TM100CCAE via F6FMT (B), eQSL
TM7F via F6KRC
TM0X via F4BKV (B), (L)
TO7A via UT5UGR (B)
TP50CE via F5LGF (B)
UK/JA0VSH via JA0VSH
YO775BV via YO6KAF
YO8ANT via YO8AZQ
YV7AJ via YV5AJ (B)
YY8CAM via YV8AD
ZA/I2GPT via I2GPT (B)
ZV1WDX via PU1XDX (d)
ZV5C via PP5CIT (d)
ZW7REF via PR7ZAJ (B)
4J3DF via RW6HS (d)
4L6DL via LZ1OT (B)
5Z4/OH1RX via OH1RX (B)
5Z4KI via YO9AFH
8P9AA via VE3DZ (B)
9J2GS via PA3CPI

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(*) = new QSL manager
(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) = e-mail request

QSLs arrived direct: HL5IVL, DU1/JJ5GMJ (JH5RXS), DT8A (HL2FDW),
ZL8X (DJ2MX)

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-15 10:27:35 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <680721.87896.qm@smtp105.sbc.mail.ne1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 4718
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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BID: $OPDX.1002.1
March 15, 2011
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX
Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet
Clusters Network FO8RZ and VU2PTT for the following DX information.

FO/M, MARQUESAS ISLAND. Phil, FO8RZ, sent the following to OPDX:
"I will go tomorrow morning on Marquesas Islands for my job. QTH will
be Taiohae in the south of Nuku Hiva island (OC027). I was expected
to operate from the north of the island but I had to cancel this QTH
at last moment. South QTH is a bad QTH due to big mountains (550m to
USA/EU - 700m to JA), but I have no choice. I will operate only during
my periods of freetime:
- 16th March around 0530Z to 0900Z
- 17th March around 0530Z to 1000Z
- 17th March around 1600Z to 2000Z
My freetime may change due to changes in my job. Call sign will be
FO8RZ/P. QSL via LoTW and F8BPN Activity on 40-20-17-15-12-10 CW
Rig: 100W + HF6V
This operation may be canceled or delayed at the last moment due to
my job..... Best 73 de FO8RZ Phil"

OOOPPPSS DEPARTMENT. Couple of typo were in OPDX.1002. Please correct
the following:
* Under "CY0, SABLE ISLAND (Update)" - Jeff, N1SNB, callsign was
incorrect (not N1NSB).
* Under QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated March 13th) - The QSL route for
NO8DX is wrong .... it says KB8BW -- should be KB8NW

VU4, ANDAMAN ISLANDS (Press Release 4: Mar 15th). "VU4PB is now operational
but due to very bad weather with high winds and rain only two stations
were installed and ran on both 20 and 40m. We hope to get a third station
operational by the end of the day today and the fourth later during this
week.
Low band antennas will be up and running later in the week. Murphy is
keeping us good company along with the daily storms.
Please note that our 'Operating Frequencies'

<http://www.arsi.info/dxpeditions/vu4pb-mar-2011/operating-frequencies>
have been updated to avoid interference to the JA Emergency Nets which
have been notified and our Propagation Page
<http://www.arsi.info/dxpeditions/vu4pb-mar-2011/propagation>
has also been updated.
The online logs will be available by 17th March. FYI, the following
press release is available on our website at:
http://www.arsi.info/dxpeditions/vu4pb-mar-2011/press-releases

73 de Prasad VU2PTT
Team VU4PB"

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new
FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the
following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send
mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE
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Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=unsubscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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279. The ARRL Contest Update for March 16, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-16 10:55:11 UTC
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NEW HF OPERATORS - THINGS TO DO

One of the most popular contests with new hams is the CQ WPX SSB
<http://cqwpx.com> in which the multipliers are call sign prefixes and
everybody can everybody. New hams can even be sought after with their
2-by-3 calls, so get in there and call CQ! You can find more
information about the strange prefixes you'll hear in the Wikipedia
<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/ITU_prefix_%28amateur_stations%29> or in
the CTY (country) files <http://www.country-files.com/cty/> used by
your logging software.

BULLETINS

Emergency HF communications in Japan are centered on 3525, 7030, 7043,
7075, 14100, 21200, and 28.200 kHz. Please avoid these and nearby
frequencies when the bands may be open to the NW Pacific Rim.

BUSTED QSOS

No particularly erroneous items were noted in the last issue although I
continue to get email about John Denver having written "Leaving On A
Jet Plane" - lots of music fans in the Contest Update readership!

CONTEST SUMMARY
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Complete information for all contests follows the Convesrsation section

March 19-20

- Russian DX Contest
- Oklahoma QSO Party
- North Dakota QSO Party
- Virginia QSO Party
- NAQCC Monthly QRP Sprint--CW (Mar 17)
- Feld-Hell Rolling Sprint
- 10-10 Mobile QSO Party
- BARTG HF RTTY Contest
- OK1WC Memorial Contest

March 26-27

- CQ WPX SSB Contest

==> NEWS, PRESS RELEASES, AND GENERAL INTEREST

Not wanting to steal any thunder from Hamvention award-winner W7EL, I thought it worth mentioning this time around another of the antenna modeling pioneers - Brian Beezley, K6STI. Brian's software, such as YO (Yagi Optimizer) and TA (Terrain Analyzer), were groundbreaking at their introduction, along with EZNEC. Brian's receiving loop <http://www.angelfire.com/md/k3ky/page45.html> was the first of its kind in the modern amateur literature, as well. Unfortunately for ham radio, Brian left the ham software market because of rampant pirating of his products and disregard for copyright. Just because it's "amateur" radio doesn't mean everything is free. At any rate, K6STI blazed some trails for us as well - thanks, OM.

CQ WPX SSB <http://cqwpx.com/> is coming up next weekend. In preparation, Stan EI6DX has used his Log Analyser software to parse the latest set of public WPX logs. The results <http://www.ei6dx.com/cqww-contest-analysis/cqww-activity-analyzer/> allow comparison to sets of public logs for other CQ contests. Aside from the usual breakdowns by band, mode, time, and zone there are several other comparisons such as number of logs received, logged QSOs, total calls, and validated or "real" calls. Interesting stuff!

A new Remote Beacon Network (RBN) Telnet cluster node is now available at arcluster.reversebeacon.net port 7000, using the latest AR Cluster Server Version 6 beta. The new node is running in parallel with the RBN node at telnet.reversebeacon.net port 7000, which uses the DXSpider <http://www.dxcluster.org/> node software. This new version of AR Cluster uses revised filtering syntax that makes it possible to concatenate multiple filtering commands in a single message to the cluster, which in turn makes it possible to conveniently send messages to adjust your filters <http://ab5k.net/ArcDocsVer6%5CUserManual%5CArcDx.htm> from the message buttons of typical telnet clients and logging programs. (Thanks, Pete N4ZR)

CW contesters are known for their ability to discriminate between signals with nearly the same frequency. The Tonometric <http://tonometric.com/adaptivepitch/> web site provides an Adaptive Pitch test to prove your pitch-picking proficiency. There are other exercises for rhythm and even a tone-deaf test! (Thanks, Doug K1DG)

ARRL Field Day <http://www.arrl.org/fieldday> is fast approaching and with it the opportunity to demonstrate snappy HF operating techniques to potential radiosport recruits. Why not show them the ropes while attired in your finest Field Day gear? All of this year's Field Day supplies and concupiscibles <http://www.arrl.org/shop/Field-Day-Supplies/> are will be shipping April 1st - no fooling! While you're at it, be sure to download the Field Day packet and start plotting your bonus point collection strategy!

Scrambling the contest planner plans, this year July has FIVE full weekends - a once every 823 years phenomenon. Since many yearly contests occur on the "last" full weekend of a month, be sure to check the contest web site for the correct days. Contest managers - be sure to update your web sites, too! (Thanks, Ray ND8L)

If you're ever caught without a snappy answer to a less-than-snappy question, you might want to check out K3TN's Arrgh FAQ <http://wiki.contesting.com/index.php/Arrgh_FAQ> spotted on the Internet by web-crawler Bob, N6TV.

Web Site of the Week - Have you noticed that some radio network news broadcasts still begin with that "squee-click" dating from the days of manually opening the network circuit? Or that your digital camera makes a shutter noise when it captures an image - even though it doesn't have a shutter? "The Fading Sound of Analog Technologies <http://pogue.blogs.nytimes.com/2011/03/03/the-fading-sounds-of-analog-technology/>" by David Pogue notes these and other temporal incongruities whose meaning has faded even as their aural remnants haunt our modern world. (Thanks, Bob N6TV)

WORD TO THE WISE

Exercise - everybody knows it's good for you, but what's the radiosport equivalent? How about a spotless weekend? Since in the WPX just about every other call sign is a multiplier, there is little incentive to obsess over ever bit of information from the spotting network. Test your tuning and band-picking skills by "going dark" in the WPX SSB contest - you'll become a savvier spot snagger for when it counts!

==> SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

What is "Enter-Sends-Mode" (ESM) anyway? Offered by several contest logging program, this mode lets you do a lot with the Enter key. Call CQ? Press Enter. Send the exchange? Press Enter. Acknowledge the received information and ask for more callers? Press Enter. Pioneered in the MS-DOS TR-LOG program, many top operators find it to be efficient, but it does take some getting used to. To explain ESM, the

N1MM development team has posted links to videos on using it during CW
<http://n1mm.hamdocs.com/tiki-index.php?page=Video+-+Enter+Sends+Messages%2C+CW#Video_Enter_Sends_Messages_CW>
and RTTY
<http://n1mm.hamdocs.com/tiki-index.php?page=Video+-+Enter+Sends+Messages%2C+RTTY#Video_Enter_Sends_Messages_RTTY>
operation. (Thanks, Larry K8UT)

You can get a nice view of the W3LPL antenna array
<http://snurl.com/26zqr4> online. Click on "Bird's Eye" to get a
detailed view, zoom in, and click on the compass to see images from
different perspectives. You can also expand the image to the left by
clicking on the left-arrow on the upper left corner of the picture.
(From the ARRL Propagation Bulletin ARLP10)

CQ WPX Contest Director K5ZD's "10.5 Tips for Fun and Success in the CQ
WPX Contest" webinar has been posted to Potomac Valley Radio Club's web
site <http://www.pvrc.org/> under the Recorded Webinars link for those
who missed the live version of the presentation. (Thanks, Ken K4ZW)

As if you don't listen to enough QRN, NASA recorded the sounds
<http://tinyurl.com/5rorrou> of thousands of cometary dust particles
pelting the Stardust-NExT spacecraft as it flew past Comet Tempel at
9.8 km/sec, or 24,000 mph. The audio was recorded by an instrument
aboard the spacecraft called the Dust Flux Monitor which measures sound
waves and electrical pulses from dust impacts. Think of that the next
time a big ol' bug paints a Jackson Pollack on your windshield! (From
the AMSAT <http://amsat.org/> ANS-065 Bulletin)

Make Online has posted a video demonstration
<http://blog.makezine.com/archive/2011/03/etch-circuit-boards-with-common-household-chemicals.html>
of how to use vinegar, hydrogen peroxide and salt to etch a circuit
board. (Thanks, Jeff AB6MB)

The bad news about aurora? It shuts down the HF bands. The good news?
It's fun to look at as in this video
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qhROwDr7AmU> of the Mar 9th display at
the QTH of Carl WL7BDO. Needless to say, Carl didn't work much on HF
that night although I understand the VHFers found plenty of excitement
when beaming in this direction. (Thanks, Rich KL7RA)

If you like to listen to podcasts on your daily commutes, Jack WA0RJY
recommends the Astronomycast <http://www.astronomycast.com/> web site's
selection of programs. Speaking of astronomy, should the sky be clear
at sunset this week, go outside and take a look for Jupiter and Mercury
above the western horizon as described by Spaceweather
<http://spaceweather.com/>. It's a rare opportunity to see the largest
and smallest planets together in the sky.

==> RESULTS AND RECORDS

The initial results <http://www.arrl.org/contest-results-articles>
for the 2010 Sweepstakes CW contest have been released on the ARRL
Contest Branch web site and K9LA's extended writeup for the 2010 IARU
HF Championship is there, too! (Thanks, ARRL Contest Branch Manager,
Sean KX9X)

California QSO Party results <http://www.cqp.org/Results.html> have
been released for the 2010 event with a very nice writeup by Al AD6E.
The contest - already the largest of the individual state QSO parties -
continues to grow in participation each year with more than 900 logs
submitted for the 2010 contest. With the high bands finally showing
some signs of life, the CQP is in a great position to benefit from
better intra-continental propagation on 10 and 15 meters. (Thanks,
David N6EN)

Valery R5GA has published lists showing both 3830 claimed scores and
actual log submissions for the ARRL DX SSB
<http://pileup.ru/arrldx_ssb.php?year=2011> and CQ WW 160 SSB
<http://pileup.ru/cq160_ssb.php?year=2011> contests.

The Catalina Radio Club is pleased to announce that the preliminary
results of the 2010 Arizona QSO Party <http://www.azqsoparty.org/> are
now uploaded for your viewing pleasure. Also online are the results of
the 2010 Ohio QSO Party <http://www.ohqp.org/>. (Thanks, Gary KE7DX and
Jim K8MR)

CQ WW RTTY Contest Director, Ed W0YK, totaled up the different types of
logging software used to generate the 2687 logs submitted for the 2010
contest - there were 64 varieties!

OPERATING TIP

I had to strive really hard to avoid using the common abbreviation for
search-and-pounce operation in a tasteless fashion when referring you
to this article
<http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2011/02/110228163141.htm> about
how a full bladder improves decision making. All part of a day's work
here at the Contest Update editorial department.

==> TECHNICAL TOPICS AND INFORMATION

What could be more standardized than time? Well, lots of things,
actually - it's amazing that time zone, for example, is not defined by
an international standard. The database for time zones is actually
maintained by a single volunteer, Arthur Olson
<http://blog.jonudell.net/2009/10/23/a-literary-appreciation-of-the-olsonzoneinfotz-databa
se/>,
who is now retiring. The IANA (the folks that control Internet address
structure) is at last developing a transition strategy. A tip of the
temporal cap to Mr Olson!

The surge in solar flux (over 150 last week!) brings a renewed
vigilance on 6 meters for DX QSOs. In response, ARRL Propagation
Bulletin ARLP009

<http://www.arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive/ARLP009/2011> had a nice report on 6 meter transequatorial propagation (TE) from PJ2T by N4QQ/PJ2. In case you were wondering, the surge in the solar flux topped out at 155, the highest level since 23 July 2004. CQ 10 meters!

While ol' Sol has been mighty active lately - the solar flux is back down to 107 on 15 Mar - there are still plenty of concerns about the ultimate fate of Cycle 24. The good news is that the recent deployment of solar science platforms in deep space have enabled scientists to formulate better theories about what causes and modulates the cycles. A recent NASA article <http://science.nasa.gov/science-news/science-at-nasa/2011/02mar_spotlesssun> presents one of the strongest candidates yet to explain the ups and downs of our beloved sunspots. While it doesn't predict a return to the heights of Cycle 19, a better understanding of our closest star is always a good thing. (Thanks, Jon K7ZA)

Is it more important to be loud or to hear well? From Dave, N2NL/NH2T after the recent ARRL DX Phone contest, "KH2L struggled to work K3LR on 80 meters the first night but finally made it in the log. On Sunday, he checked his 60-foot vertical and discovered it was disconnected. He (had) worked K3LR on 80 meters with his loading coil! He thought the SWR was bad only because it's normally resonant in the CW sub-band."

If you don't have a big shop of your own - take a long around to see if a Tech Shop <http://www.wired.com/gadgetlab/2011/03/techshop-san-francisco-video/> is in your neighborhood. If not, mightn't this be a good project for your club? (Thanks, Tim K3LR)

The winter months can be filled with static pops and sparks - just ask any Dakota Division cat! Working on sensitive electronics these days can be a perilous experience for tiny semiconductor junctions if the tool wielder isn't well-grounded. Glenn AC7ZN has found an inexpensive remedy that helps static charge find another path to the Earth than through your gadgets. He uses StaticGuard laundry spray on a weekly basis to form a high-resistance layer that dissipates static charge on workbench, chair, and carpet.

The memristor - a new type of electronic component - is beginning to find niches in electronic design as described in this Technology Review article <http://www.technologyreview.com/blog/arxiv/26467/?ref=rss>. While it's not about to appear on the licensing exam, you can be sure that if there is a way to use it in radio, hams will find it. (Thanks, Brian Fernandez)

Technical Web Site of the Week - Noting recent comments recently about trans-equatorial propagation (TEP) on VHF bands, Roger VK2ZRH writes, "For the benefit of newcomers to TEP, I have two web pages that each give a detailed introduction to afternoon <http://home.iprimus.com.au/toddemslie/aTEP-Harrison.htm> and evening <http://home.iprimus.com.au/toddemslie/eTEP-Harrison.htm> TEP, written

over 2006-2007 and posted in 2007. Also, the Australian IPS Radio Space Services offers an article <http://www.ips.gov.au/Category/Educational/Other%20Topics/Radio%20Communication/Transequatorial.pdf> on TEP." (From ARRL Propagation Bulletin ARLP010 <http://www.arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation>)

==> CONVERSATION

Welcome Back!

I don't know about you, but my reaction to the electrifying conditions during the ARRL DX Phone contest was a huge sigh of relief. To hear 10 meters full of signals - strong signals! - to well above 28.500 MHz filled an empty spot in my radio heart that I'd nearly despaired of ever seeing filled again.

Oh sure, I love the low bands and chase gray line DX with all the enthusiasm of the next guy but those bottomless bands of 10 and 15 meters when the F2 layer lights up...well, there's nothing quite like it. We just missed the big openings during the ARRL DX CW contest - you could feel the band trying its best, leaking a little signal from the biggest stations through path closed for years. On Saturday, the dam began to crack. On Sunday, the floodgates opened!

On the East Coast where I was operating we found ourselves competing to get through to Europe. I have never been so pleased to get beaten out by the 9s and 0s! Out west, call signs from the Land of the Rising Sun filled high-band logs that had been empty for a long time. South American stations pounded in from sunrise to way past sunset. Short skip, long skip, even a smidgen of long path made an appearance.

We've been telling the new hams about the wonders of DX contesting without all the massive QRM on 20 meters and down. I'm sure they were beginning to think we were barmy or at least telling some tales. Here was the opening act for several dramas to come, when 10 and 15 swell nigh on to busting at the seams with signals nearly any station can log.

Just two months ago, we were wondering if Cycle 24 was going to flop back into the solar ocean like a spent booster, remember? Black humor made the rounds - not only was the solar minimum past, but the maximum, too! Argggh! To be sure, there will be quiet periods and disturbed days when it seems the sunspots have evaporated once again, but not for long.

So the Big Bass Bongo has been beaten and the Palos Verde Sundancers have danced their propagation dance. The Sun has heard their siren song and sung its own verses in response. Laissez les bons temps rouler!

73, Ward N0AX

==> CONTESTS

16 March through 29 March

An expanded, downloadable version of QST's Contest Corral in PDF format <http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar> is available. Check the sponsor's Web site for information on operating time restrictions and other instructions.

HF CONTESTS

NAQCC Monthly QRP Sprint--CW, from Mar 17, 0030Z to Mar 17, 0230Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Frequencies: Monthly on 2nd Tuesday or 3rd Wednesday (alternating). Exchange: RST, S/P/C, and NAQCC member number or power. Logs due: 4 days. Rules <http://naqcc.info/>

Feld-Hell Rolling Sprint--Digital, from Mar 19, 12 PM to Mar 19, 2 PM. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Frequencies: Monthly on 3rd Saturday. Exchange: RST, QTH, Feld-Hell number. Rules <http://www.feldhellclub.org/>

10-10 Mobile QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Mar 19, 0001Z to Mar 19, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 28. Exchange: Call, name, county & S/P/C, 10-10 number. Logs due: Apr 2. Rules <http://www.ten-ten.org/>

BARTG HF RTTY Contest--Digital, from Mar 19, 0200Z to Mar 21, 0200Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: 3-digit serial and 4-digit time. Logs due: May 1. Rules <http://www.bartg.org.uk/>

OK1WC Memorial Contest--Phone,CW, from Mar 19, 0500Z to Mar 19, 0800Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8 - 7. Exchange: RS(T) and serial. Logs due: 14 days. Rules <http://www.hamradio.cz/ok1wc/>

Russian DX Contest--Phone,CW, from Mar 19, 1200Z to Mar 20, 1200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RS(T), serial or oblast abbr. Logs due: 45 days. Rules <http://www.rdxc.org/>

Oklahoma QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Mar 19, 1300Z to Mar 20, 0200Z and Mar 20, 1400Z to Mar 20, 2000Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28, 50, Frequencies: Multiple operating periods; CW 3.545, 7.045, 14.045, 21.045, 28.045; Phone 3.860, 7.260, 14.260, 21.360, 28.360. Exchange: RS(T) and OK county or S/P/"DX". Logs due: Apr 30. Rules <http://www.okdxa.org/>

North Dakota QSO Party--Phone,CW, from Mar 19, 1800Z to Mar 20, 1800Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50,144. Exchange: RST and ND county or S/P/C. Logs due: May 1. Rules <http://www.w0nd.com/>

Virginia QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Mar 19, 1800Z to Mar 21, 0100Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50-440, Frequencies: CW 1.805, 50 kHz+ band edge; Phone 1.845,3.86,7.26,14.27,21.37,28.37; 50.130, clg freq 144/220/440. Exchange: Serial and VA county/city or S/P/C. Logs due: Apr 15. Rules <http://www.qsl.net/sterling>

CQ WPX SSB Contest--Phone, from Mar 26, 0000Z to Mar 27, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RS and serial. Logs due: 28 days. Rules <http://www.cqwpx.com/>

VHF+ CONTESTS

Oklahoma QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Mar 19, 1300Z to Mar 20, 0200Z and Mar 20, 1400Z to Mar 20, 2000Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28, 50, Frequencies: Multiple operating periods; CW 3.545, 7.045, 14.045, 21.045, 28.045; Phone 3.860, 7.260, 14.260, 21.360, 28.360. Exchange: RS(T) and OK county or S/P/"DX". Logs due: Apr 30. Rules <http://www.okdxa.org/>

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==> LOG DUE DATES

16 March through 29 March

March 17 - NAQCC-EU Monthly Sprint
<http://naqcc-eu.org/SprintHelp/SprintRules.pdf>

March 18 - YL-ISSB QSO Party, CW and SSB
<http://www.ylsystem.org/qsoparty/qsodates.htm>

March 18 - SKCC Weekend Sprint <http://www.skccgroup.com/sprint/wes/>

March 19 - North American Sprint, RTTY
<http://www.ncjweb.com/sprintrules.php>

March 20 - AWA Amplitude Modulation QSO Party
<http://www.antiquewireless.org/pdf/2011am_rules.pdf>

March 21 - ARRL School Club Roundup
<http://www.arrl.org/school-club-roundup>

March 21 - DARC 10-Meter Digital Contest
<http://www.darc.de/referate/ukw-funksport/bild-und-schrift-wettbewerbe/corona-maerz/teilnahmebedingungen/>

March 21 - ARRL International DX Contest, CW
<http://www.arrl.org/arrl-dx>

March 26 - HA3NS Sprint Memorial Contest
<http://radioamator.honlapepites.hu/?PHPSESSID=e57dd37c356355de9489e83e42&p=1280>

March 29 - REF Contest, SSB
<http://concours.ref-union.org/reglements/actuels/reg_cdfhfdx.pdf>

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==> JAPAN EARTHQUAKE

We've all seen the horrific images of the devastation in Japan. Our
hearts go out to the people of that country in their time of dire need.
For information on the Amateur Radio response: Japan Asks Radio
Amateurs to Keep Frequencies Clear As Country Goes into Recovery Mode
after Devastating Earthquake
<http://www.arrl.org/news/japan-asks-radio-amateurs-to-keep-frequencies-clear-as-country-g
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==> 2011 NATIONAL HURRICANE CONFERENCE AMATEUR RADIO ACTIVITIES

The National Hurricane Conference <http://www.hurricanemeeting.com/>
will be held April 18-22, at the Hyatt Regency hotel in Atlanta,
Georgia. There will be several Amateur Radio activities going on during
the week. The National Hurricane Conference leadership recognizes the
valuable contribution of Amateur Radio and has again invited us to
participate with two sessions. This is always a great opportunity for
Amateur Radio.
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On Monday, April 18, from 1:30 pm to 5:00 pm, the main Amateur Radio session titled "Amateur Radio Training Sessions: Disaster Communications Before, During and After Hurricanes" will be held.

On Tuesday, April 19, from 8:30 am to 10:00 am, an Amateur Radio session designed for Emergency Management agencies titled "Amateur Radio Rap Session --The Emergency Manager's Hidden Resource" will take place. All radio amateurs are invited at no cost to attend these National Hurricane Conference Amateur Radio sessions.

On Monday evening, April 18, from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm, the ARRL Southeastern Division, the Georgia Tech Amateur Radio Club, Atlanta Radio Club, and several local ARES groups will host an interactive, free "NHC Workshop" for ARES and other interested Amateur Radio operators. Participants will be able to meet other like-minded radio amateurs and the presenters of the Hurricane Conference Amateur Radio sessions. The agenda: introductions, conference presenters summarize the NHC Amateur Radio presentations, emergency communications discussion, questions and answers, and door prizes.

Whether or not you are able to attend the conference during the day, you are invited to this event to hear from and meet the conference presenters and learn what went on at the conference. This workshop will be held on Georgia Tech's campus at Building 167, the Molecular Science and Engineering Building, in room G011. See the campus map <http://gtalumni.org/map/>.

For additional information see:

National Hurricane Conference <http://www.hurricanemeeting.com/>

2011 National Hurricane Conference Brochure PDF <http://www.hurricanemeeting.com/Documents/2011%20NHC%20Brochure.pdf>

National Hurricane Conference Flyer <http://www.southeastern.arrl.org/NHC_Events_Flyer2011.pdf>

ARRL Southeastern Division <http://www.southeastern.arrl.org/>

Hurricane Conference presenters are:

Julio Ripoll, WD4R, WX4NHC Amateur Radio Assistant Coordinator, National Hurricane Center <http://www2.fiu.edu/orgs/w4ehw/>

John McHugh, K4AG, Coordinator for Amateur Radio, National Hurricane Center, WX4NHC

Rob Macedo, KD1CY, Director of Operations for the VoIP Hurricane Net <http://www.voipwx.net/> and ARRL Section Emergency Coordinator, Eastern Massachusetts

Dennis Dura, K2DCD, Assistant Director of Operations for the VoIP Hurricane Net

Greg Sarratt, W4OZK, ARRL Southeastern Division Director

We encourage you to visit all the activities you can, learn more about Amateur Radio emergency communications and meet the people doing it. Hope to see you there! -- Greg Sarratt, W4OZK, ARRL Southeastern Division Director and Andrea Hartlage, KG4IUM, ARRL Southeastern Division Vice Director

==> TWITTER, OTHER METHODOLOGIES FOR ARES ALERTING

South Carolina

Greenville County, South Carolina ARES has been using Twitter <http://www.twitter.com/> for group alerts for a couple of years. County EC Johnny Allison, WD4DYH, and I set up a greenvilleares account on Twitter for this purpose only.
There are a few things that must be done for this to work. Your group user must NOT "follow" any other user so only YOUR posts are on the account's page. Anyone interested in getting the alerts from your group on their cell phone or other mobile device must set up a Twitter account and "follow" your ARES group. In the Twitter setup, there is a "mobile" option that allows you to receive alerts on your mobile device. You can turn this feature on or off for the entire account or you can select which users you are following whose posts will be forwarded to your mobile messaging. In my case, my wife's posts and the ARES group posts are the only ones I elect to forward to my phone. The options on the "mobile" tab are self-explanatory.

We run a test on the first of every month to make sure that the group is receiving the alerts, and so far each time we have needed it for real alerts, it has worked. Most alerts instruct the group to tune to our local 2-meter repeater, since you can't give a lot of info in 140 characters! We do have a fairly small group, but anyone can follow @greenvilleares to see how we operate it. -- Robert Martin, WA4HRK, Easley, South Carolina, Greenville ARES

Other Alerting Methodologies

While Twitter is certainly the easiest of the social networks to use, it's not the only thing going. Benefits of Twitter include NO smart phone required, one SMS to the team (and the world), and tracking keywords, for example: #Altus would get an SMS when that keyword #Altus is sent.

Google Latitude <http://latitude.google.com> is great for tracking operators around the field (like APRS) but with very limited messaging capability.

I like FourSquare <http://www.foursquare.com> because you can notify only your friends or your friends and Twitterland or no one, when you update. I also use LOOPT <http://www.loopt.com/> for messaging and tracking some of my family. You can use it (like FourSquare) without setting up Twitter accounts. Loopt also works with Facebook.

Facebook, while I've had concerns about their ability to keep my data secure, offers private pages that only members can join. Our SKYWARN

group here has a SKYWARN Page (search Altus SKYWARN).

Set up an e-mail list on YahooGroups <http://groups.yahoo.com/> or GoogleGroups <http://groups.google.com/>. Have the user subscribe. Let them decide how they want to get their information; for example, by e-mail and/or text to phone. One e-mail goes to all 60 of our subscribers. It's free of fees or charges. If you do this, have more than one moderator. While the user can change their own information, my experience shows that some won't.

One caveat to social media (and FourSquare) is that, if the team is using it, the team must set-up one account for team use and another account for personal use. In other words, the team must decide what service to use and strictly use only it. When I start posting personal stuff on the team account, it will quickly reduce the benefit.

I have used CallingPost <http://www.callingpost.com>, a prepaid service good for small groups. The benefit for small groups is their pricing is under $25 for 200 calls. The detractor is there's no way to call out from midnight to 0600. As a volunteer, I have experienced only three times in ten years when that was a problem. Register online <http://www.callingpost.com%20>and use the referral code 8002197092 for 10 free calls. The referral code is the same as their tollfree number.

The City of Altus uses Blackboard Connect. <http://www.blackboard.com/Platforms/Connect/Products/Blackboard-Connect.aspx>If the ARES group would contact their local emergency management office, it may be possible to piggyback on the City or County users account. Blackboard may offer a competitive product for small groups. Contact them at 800-213-7168. -- Lloyd Colston, KC5FM, Director, Altus Emergency Management <http://www.cityofaltus.org>, Altus, Oklahoma

==> N5FDL: TEN SURE-FIRE WAYS TO GROW YOUR ARES GROUP

This month, I'll share some simple ideas for growing your ARES group. You can probably implement most or all of them.

Location - Having a great location is one of the keys to success of ARES groups. Among the most important things a served agency can provide to your group is a place to hold meetings and events. Finding places to "do things" was the most difficult part of getting our group started. Now that we are established, it isn't a problem--but, we are careful to provide special support to the groups that support our program by providing meeting locations.

Dinner Meetings - If you haven't considered holding dinner meetings, you should. I was initially reluctant because of the expense to members. I didn't want anyone to avoid our meetings because they couldn't afford an expensive meal or would be unable to find something to eat at the restaurant I chose. One way to handle this is to separate mealtime from program time or select a restaurant that is OK with someone just ordering a cup of coffee. This has not turned out to be a problem. Dinner meetings can keep groups alive when non-dinner meetings

will not.

HamCrams - Creating new, emergency-minded hams may be the best way to grow your group and goes hand-in-hand with the next item. One-day licensing classes don't teach someone how to be a ham, but the license makes someone trainable and worth investing in.

Make Friends - I am a big proponent of linking ARES to Community Emergency Response Team <http://www.citizencorps.gov/cert/> (CERT) groups, church emergency preparedness, Scouts and anyone else who we can help get a license. I don't expect these people to become "ham first" volunteers, but they add significantly to the number of trained persons we can call upon. And some really do get interested in Amateur Radio as a primary hobby.

Don't Say No to People Who Want to Make You Look Good - If someone has an idea that will make your ARES group look good, by all means let them. Good judgment matters--the person has to actually be able to deliver, but make it known you are open to good ideas that aren't your own. And bask in the glow of their success. This is where future leaders come from.

Be more than just an ARES group - There is, I am led to believe, more to ham radio than emergency stuff. We've licensed lots of HamCram folks and it is a fair complaint that we don't teach them enough radio. So, I've developed events that combine emergency training with other ham activities, like antennas, DXing, and contesting. Just did the first one.

Stay in touch - I use a variety of tools to keep in touch with our members, would-be members, inactive members, area clubs and other groups. I have websites (sjham.com <http://www.sjham.com/> and n5fdl.com <http://www.n5fdl.com>), multiple free Yahoo Groups <http://groups.yahoo.com/> and have recently begun using a mailing service to distribute newsletters. I am using madmimi.com <http://www.madmimi.com/>, though mailchimp.com <http://www.mailchimp.com/> looks like a good option and offers small mailings for free and a discount for non-profits (including ARES groups). All handle subscriptions and unsubscriptions automatically.

Do Something - This seems obvious, but the more you do the more involved your members will be and the more people you will be exposed to. You will probably have to invest in some small events before attendance picks up. Accept that it may only be you and three friends to begin with, but consistency leads to growth. Take advantage of opportunities that present themselves to tie-in with other people's events and turn them into your own. Field trips to events in nearby cities are an opportunity to involve your members. Training offered by other groups, such as ICS classes, are another opportunity.

Watch for Inflection Points - This is when your program reaches "critical mass" that presents opportunities to do things that were not

possible previously, such as adding served agencies or new programs. This deserves more discussion in a future post. Just be aware when the "next big thing" becomes possible. Think big.

This isn't a growth strategy per se, but it is often much easier to hold on to an existing member or reenergize an inactive one than to bring someone totally new into your group. Interest ebbs and flows. Accept this but always remain in touch so that when someone's interest returns you're ready to welcome him or her back. (Eventually this may happen to you - the topic for a future essay).

How have you grown your group? Let me hear from you! E-mail: n5fdl@arrl.net. Visit my blog at n5fdl.com <http://www.n5fdl.com>. -- David Coursey, N5FDL, EC San Joaquin County (CA)

==> SPECTRUM MANAGEMENT BILL THREATENS AMATEUR FREQUENCIES

On February 10, Representative Peter King (R-NY-3), Chairman of the House Homeland Security Committee, introduced HR 607, the Broadband for First Responders Act of 2011. The bill been referred to the House Energy and Commerce Committee, which handles telecommunications legislation. HR 607 addresses certain spectrum management issues, including the creation and maintenance of a nationwide Public Safety broadband network. As part of that network, the bill provides for the allocation of the so-called "D-Block" of spectrum in the 700 MHz range for Public Safety use.

The D-Block consists of two, 5 megahertz-wide segments of spectrum (758-763 and 788-793 MHz) that became available when the FCC ended analog television broadcasts in June 2009 and reallocated the 698-806 MHz band for Public Safety and commercial broadband. It was anticipated that the D-Block would be auctioned for commercial use. There are several bills in Congress providing for the allocation of the D-Block for Public Safety use, and HR 607 is one of those. But HR 607 uniquely provides for the reallocation of other spectrum for auction to commercial users, in order to offset the loss of revenue that would occur as the result of the allocation of the D-Block to Public Safety instead of commercial auction. HR 607 lists the paired bands of 420-440 MHz and 450-470 MHz among the bands to be reallocated for commercial auction within 10 years of its passage. More here <http://www.arrl.org/news/spectrum-management-bill-threatens-amateur-frequencies>. - ARRL Letter

==> CELEBRATED TAMPA BAY AREA EM RETIRES

Larry Gispert, KR4X, recently retired as the Director of Emergency Management for the County of Hillsborough, Florida (Tampa Bay area). His contributions have seen him take on leadership positions in regional, state and national emergency management organizations. He has been a presenter at major national conferences around the country and in Washington, DC.

The Hillsborough Board of County Commissioners recently presented Gispert with a proclamation for his work. He was commended for his straight talk approach when dealing with Emergency Management issues. The local media regarded him as a jewel for real information. When the local world seemed to be coming apart, Gispert could always be relied upon to be the calm in the storm.

Gispert's four years as a Radioman in the U.S. Coast Guard made him an avid CW operator. He is a member of the Radio Association of North Tampa (RANT) and the Tampa Amateur Radio Club (TARC).

Professionally, Gispert had fully integrated Amateur Radio into all aspects of the EOC's operations. He was in the vanguard of implementing digital emergency radio networks in Florida. In retirement, Gispert intends to remain radio active, operating and experimenting. Here is a YouTube video <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MrYbtirv7XE> about Gispert. - Pete Kemp, KZ1Z, Wesley Chapel, Florida

==> NORTHERN FLORIDA ADDS D-RAT REFLECTOR

A new D-RAT <http://www.d-rats.com/> reflector has been added to the digital emergency communications assets of the ARRL Northern Florida section, reports Section Manager Paul Eakin, KJ4G: "We are happy to announce that in Tallahassee, a team of amateurs have installed the D-Rat reflector for ARES use in emergencies and for general amateur use at all other times." The new system is set up for use on the Internet and over the air on the K4WAK D-Star repeater.

The asset provides both mobile and Internet operators with the ability to communicate among one another, along with the Florida State EOC station. In the next few weeks, an e-mail function will be established to coincide with Winlink 2000 systems for both mobile operators and Internet users. The file transfer function is available now.

Two servers were installed, one being made public and a back up that can be activated if needed. The Florida EOC is equipped to handle full time service both on the local D-Star repeater and on the Internet with local ARES volunteers.

This system augments other data assets in the northern part of the state: APRS <http://www.aprs.org/>, SEDAN <http://www.fla-sedan.com/>, and W2K <http://www.winlink.org/>.

The multi-server system is being made available to all three ARRL sections in Florida and to neighbors in Georgia and Alabama for mutual assistance planning and operations. In an emergency, any section or district outside of the three states can notify the administrator of their needs and use the reflector.

The system employs the latest version of D-Rats found at http://d-rats.com/download/beta with this version to be used: d-rats-0.3.3b5-installer.exe.

Eakin thanked the Florida State EOC staff for their support and contributions to this project, as well as others who have made it possible. Special thanks went to Dan Smith, KK7DS, for his hard work in the design and implementation of this service.

==> HELP WANTED: TRAINING TOPICS FOR N5FDL

I have been wanting to do some short recorded and scripted "training topics" that people could use on ARES nets. I want to call them "The ARES Minute" and have them run about two minutes. I have been stuck on what topics I should do in the first batch of ten programs. Can readers suggest ideas that I can get started on? Each needs to be easy to describe in one sentence and teach in 90 seconds. Help! - David Coursey, N5FDL <n5fdl@arrl.net>, EC San Joaquin ARES, California

==> ARES E-LETTER NOW IN AUDIO FORM

The ARES E-Letter is now available in audio form. There are three editions currently available, including the most recent recording of the February 16 ARES® E-Letter. Edited for audio by Al Brown, KZ3AB, the ARES® E-Letter is voiced by Tony Riggs, W1FHN. Brown was licensed in 1966. He was a member of the White House Press Corps before retiring from the International Broadcasting Bureau/Voice of America (IBB/VOA). Licensed since 1955, Riggs has worked in both the commercial and public broadcasting venues. He retired after 21 years as a staff announcer and news anchor with the VOA. With more than 35,000 subscribers, the ARES® E-Letter is written by Rick Palm, K1CE <http://www.qrz.com/db/k1ce> and is published each month. Click here <http://www.arrl.org/ares-e-letter-audio-version> for the audio version of the ARES® E-Letter. - ARRL Letter

ARES/EmComm Survey

The first ARES/EmComm Survey (from last month) has garnered nearly 900 resposnes. This particular survey is still open! If you haven't checked it out yet, please access the poll by clicking here <http://www.arrl.org/ares-monthly-poll>. ARRL Headquarters will be reporting the results soon.

==> K1CE FOR A FINAL

It's T minus 3 months and counting to the launch of hurricane season -- 'nuff said! 73, Rick K1CE, Flagler County, Florida

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Ontario South Director's Election:

Two nominations were received for this position. Following a review of the documentation submitted and taking into account the constitutional and election process requirements the Committee determined that the nomination papers were complete and in order for Mr. Jeffrey Stewart, VA3WXM, and Mr. Nelson D.H. Jenking , VA3NDJ.

The Committee recommended a Ballot by Mail pursuant to Article 6 (Method of Election) in the Constitution, for Director, Ontario South Region for the completion of the 2010-2011 term. Ballots will be mailed to the applicable postal codes from the RAC Office in the near future.

Paul Burggraaf VO1PRB
RAC Corporate Secretary

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Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our lastet NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2011-03-17
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter, once a week (thursday)
from now on - if any special activities will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further detail please be so kind and watch our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you vy welcome for any
input and we do hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
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** Help in EME Section from Lins, PA3CMC now as well **

We would like to inform you that we have a slight change of the
editors of the EME sections at MMMonVHF: Responcable in future for
the section "EME" is Guido, DL8EBW accompanied by Lins, PA3CMC to
get up the EME page more up to date... So please do welcome the
change in aim of more activity and attractiveness... In future you
will find here more RUMORS and INFOS taken by CHATS and direct from
USER announces - you are welcome to send your input! Please do use
our Contact Form (http://www.mmmonvhf.de/kontact.php) to reach the
EME editor! - SOURCE: The MMMonVHF Team

** The 144 MHz EME NewsLetter - Current Issue March 2011 **

Since 2003 DF2ZC publishes the 144 MHz EME NewsLetter. This is
a free service for the EME community. Bernd, DF2ZC, informed us
that the latest edition of the EME-Newsletter is now available
at: http://www.df2zc.de/newsletter - EMENL201103 [748 KB] 73
SOURCE: tnx to Bernd, DF2ZC to MMMonVHF

** Super Full Moon **

Mark your calendar. On March 19th, a full Moon of rare size and beauty
will rise in the east at sunset. It's a super "perigee moon"--the
biggest in almost 20 years. "The last full Moon so big and close to
Earth occurred in March of 1993," says Geoff Chester of the US Naval

Observatory in Washington DC. "I'd say it's worth a look." Full Moons vary in size because of the oval shape of the Moon's orbit. It is an ellipse with one side (perigee) about 50,000 km closer to Earth than the other (apogee): diagram. Nearby perigee moons are about 14% bigger and 30% brighter than lesser moons that occur on the apogee side of the Moon's orbit. Read all at:
http://science.nasa.gov/science-news/science-at-nasa/2011/16mar_supermoon/
SOURCE: W0WOI at MoonNet

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** Great news about LU7DZ logs - WA4NJP info**

Ray did sent following message from the MMM Website: This is to inform the VHF comunity that Steve, N4PZ, while in Argentina has in his hand the logs of LU7DZ. I have offered to Steve to be the manager of these logs, I will make an anouncement as to when cards will be sent after I compile a list of calls...this will not be fast but I will try to be complete - SOURCE: tnx to Ray Rector WA4NJP direct to MMMonVHF

** Don, G3JHM SILENT KEY **

Iï¿½m saddened to hear that Don G3JHM has passed away. I last went to see him in his nursing home in Alton last July after his first stroke and I understand he had several more in the following weeks. It was clear that the stroke had affected him quite severely but he was still the super-keen VHF DXer to the end in that all he wanted to hear about during my visit was what he was missing on 6 and 4M. He took great pleasure from hearing about all the far-east QSOs that had taken place last summer and the D44 QSOs on 4M. He said that he still remembered the last 6M BBQ he came to and wanted to attend this yearï¿½s event which I told him I would be holding again. Sadly, that is not to be We will all miss Don as one of those 6M call signs we will never forget. SOURCE: Chris G3WOS via The UK Six Metre Group Announcement

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: BY ; Square: NL97-OL14 ; Start: 2011-03-20 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3681

BY8 EME Expedition as BJ8TA at NL97UT and OL14KQ
LATEST NEWS from Alan Kung, BA1DU, dated 2011-03-11: AMSAT-China is organizing some enthusiasts from its members to come to southwest China for experiments of EME and amateur satellite communications. The expedition team will use special technology experiments amateur radio call sign BJ8TA. BJ8TA team will be Shangri-La County(NL97ut), Yunnan Province of China during March 20-23. it will be the first

time amateur radio EME communications in grid NL, the communications scheme on the 6m, 2m and 70cm bands, using Yagi antennas with PA of one kilowatt. And then, the team will move to Yunnan Astronomical Observatory of the Chinese Academy of Sciences in Chengjiang county, it is located in grid OL14kq. The EME communications will use eleven meters diameter radio telescope antenna with gain of 29dbi on 70cm band. operations will be from March 28 to April 1. BJ8TA team will be also active on the available satellites, including AO-51, VO-52, AO-7 AO-27, FO-29, SO-50, SO-67 etc, during the expedition period.
Read more in detail: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3681
SOURCE: tnx to Alan Kung, BA1DU, direct to MMMonVHF
LATEST NEWS from Michael Chen, BD5RV/4, dated 2011-03-16:
Hi, Four members of team BJ8TA (BA4RN, BH4REQ, BH4RLO, BD5RV) are going to take off 8 hours later. That's 3000km of driving. We launched a web site for this expedition: http://www.bj8ta.com I'll try to keep updating this web site as well as my twitter when possible. Good DX!
SOURCE: tnx to Michael Chen, BD5RV/4, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: 9N ; Square: NL27 ; Start: 2011-03-25 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3714

The 9N7WL 2m EME operation will take place as part of the 9N7AN activity from the High View Resort in Dhulikhel, which is located about 25 km from Kathmandu, the capital of Nepal. This will be the first time that the DXCC entity Nepal and the Maidenhead main locator NL is activated on the 2m band via the moon! EME operation is scheduled to start on March 30th, 2011. Moonrise at 9N7WL will be at 3.30 UTC. Common moon with the US The most difficult part of the world to reach by EME during our stay in Nepal will be thesouthern part of the USA. There is no common moon with the state of Texas until Sunday April 3rd! On April 3rd there is a short window around 0000z when there is moonrise in Nepal and moonset in Texas. The following days the window size is increasing and on April 7th - the last day of our DXpedition - there is a 1,5 h window around 0300z (moonrise at 9N7WL) and a 1 h window around 1530z (moonset at 9N7WL). *This all assumes an ideal take off. The take off angle to the east (moonrise) is ex-pected to be low. To the west the minimum take off angle may be quite high, decreasing window size of common moon further at moonset..
SOURCE: tnx to Joe DK5WL, and Franz-Berndt, DL9GFB direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: DL ; Square: JO34 ; Start: 2011-05-07 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3724

JO34WE Helgoland Mai 2011 DR3M at the DARC VHF-, UHF-, Mikrowellen Wettbewerb, Mai - We will be QRV on 23cm 350Watt 2x 48 Element; 70cm 550Watt 2x23Element and 2m 750Watt 2x15 Element - on 23cm we are QRV CW &SSB other Bands only SSB. Sked are welcome via ON4KST chat
SOURCE: tnx to Tom, DG7TG, direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
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and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** SJ9WL AND LG5LG, MOROKULIEN STATION, JO69CW **

Operators Hugo/PA2HW, Robert/PA2RDK, Frank/PA3CNO, Paul/PA3DFR and
Gert/PE0MGB will activate the special Swedish/Norwegian peace
monument "Morokulien" as LG5LG and SJ9WL between April 10-16th.
Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes.
The callsign will change every day at 0000z. An award will be
available for 2 contacts with each call on different bands and
different days. QSL via Bureau or direct to LA4EKA. For more details
on this station, visit: http://www.sj9wl-lg5lg.com
SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1002

** NAMIBIA, SPECIAL EVENT STATION **

The special event station V521NAM will be active on Mar 19-21 to
celebrate 21 years of the independence of Namibia. The "Namibian
Amateur Radio League" (NARL) was founded in 1990 as well. The station
will be QRV in CW, SSB and PSK on 80m-10m and also on 6m/2m/70cm and
via satellites. QSLs via the NARL QSL bureau, direct or via eQSL.
SOURCE: DXNL 1719 (Mar 16, 2011)

** Cameroon, TJ, Special Event **

Henry, TJ3AY, is now active with the special callsign, TJ3FC, until
March 30th. Activity is to commemorate the 51st anniversary of the
"Francophonie". He was spotted this past week on 80/40/12/10/6 meters
SSB. A special QSL cards has been printed (see QRZ.com). QSL via F5LGE
SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1002

** Mariana Island, KH0 qrv HF and 6m **

LATEST NEWS from Kirk, WE8A, dated 2010-03-15: This is Kirk, WE8A.
A friend of mine, Yuu, K8RLY has to cancel his trip to KH0 with me
this time, so please modify the information at ADXO as follows :
WE8A as WE8A/KH0. 80m ï¿½ 6m SSB and CW. Focus on WARC, QSL: Direct
only to : 5-1-35, Daikaidori, Kobe, 652-0803 JAPAN - Please do not
send to the US Buro or JA Buro. (March 30 through April 2 2011
operation) Best regards. SOURCE: Bill, NG3K, direct to MMMonVHF

** XF2P from Isla de Lobos (IOTA NA-221, WW Loc. EL11JL) **

A group of enthusiastic Mexican ham radio operators, Ismael XE1AY, Gustavo XE1KKK, Francisco Javier XE1P, Ricardo XE1RZL, Ricardo Raymundo XE1SOV, Fernando XE1VGC, Jose XE1UYU, Martin XE1UZH, Modesto XE1UZU, Juan Manuel XE2IA, Jose XE2IVG and Ricardo XE3NMC will be active from Isla de Lobos (IOTA NA-221, WW Loc. EL11JL), Veracruz State, between 29th April and 1st May 2011. They will also activate the Lobos Island lighthouse (ARLHS MEX-035, TWLHD WLH XE-016 WLOTA 0920). QRV on all HF bands, plus 6 metres and AO27, AO51 and SO50 Satellites. Modes: CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via XE1AY.
SOURCE: ICPO Bulletin (11-18 March 2011)

** A52JY and friends active from Bhutan (Grid Loc. NL47) **

Mat JA1JQY (A52JY), Sasi JA1KJW (A52KJ) and Kuni JA8VE (A52VE) will be active from Bhutan (Grid Loc. NL47) on 19-26th April 2011. Plans are to be QRV on 160-6 metre SSB, CW and RTTY. QSL via the operator's home callsign. SOURCE: [NG3K] via ICPO Bulletin (11-18 March 2011)

** 3D2A qrv at Viti Levu Island (IOTA OC-016, Grid Loc. RH82) **

Eddie VK4AN, Kenneth OZ1IKY, and others will be active as 3D2A from the Nadi Bay Resort, Nadi Bay, Viti Levu Island (IOTA OC-016, WLOTA 0055, Grid Loc. RH82), Fiji, between 15th March and 2nd April 2011. Activity will be on all bands (160-6m) and modes but with a concentrating on the lower bands. Operations will include participation in the BARTG RTTY and CQ WPX SSB DX Contests.
QSL via VK4AN, direct or bureau. More info at: pacific-dxers.com/
SOURCE: [OPDX Bulletin] via ICPO Bulletin (11-18 March 2011)

** Zorro, JH1AJT and friends active from Bangladesh **

Zorro, JH1AJT and other five operators will be active from Bangladesh on 15-29 March. They plan to operate, possibly as S21YX or S21YZ, with 2-3 stations on 160-6 metres SSB, CW and RTTY.
SOURCE: [TNX The Daily DX] via 425 DX News #1036

** Makoto JI5RPT (JD1BLY) again back at Chichi-jima (IOTA AS-031) **

Makoto JI5RPT (JD1BLY), Harry JG7PSJ (JD1BMH) and Masa JE4SMQ (JD1BMT) will be active from Chichi-jima (IOTA AS-031, WLOTA 2269, WFF JAFF-090 JCG 10007, WW Loc. QL17CC), Ogasawara, during the following dates: JD1BLY: April 30 to May 7, 2011; JD1BMT: April 30 to May 5, 2011; JD1BMH: May 4 to May 13, 2011. QRV on 7MHz-28MHz (poss 3.5MHz-50MHz, no EME) - CW, SSB, RTTY. QSL JD1BLY via JI5RPT, bureau or direct. QSL JD1BMH via the JARL bureau or direct to JG7PSJ. QSL JD1BMT via JE4SMQ direct or bureau. SOURCE: [dx-world.net] via ICPO Bulletin

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... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
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like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USER who did send us info and News **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/kontact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

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==> + PUBLIC SERVICE: AFTER DEVASTATING EARTHQUAKE, JAPAN'S RADIO
AMATEURS PROVIDE COMMUNICATIONS SUPPORT

After the 8.9 earthquake that struck near Sendai, Japan at 2:46 PM
JST (0546 UTC) on Friday, March 11, the island nation is trying to
recover. Soon after the earthquake -- which the US Geological Survey is
calling the largest to hit the island nation in 140 years -- Japan has
been rocked by tsunamis and power outages caused by trouble at a
nuclear power station. Reports from Japan tell of phone and Internet
service still up in most parts of the country. Even so, the Japan
Amateur Radio League (JARL) -- that country's IARU Member-Society --
has asked that 7.030 MHz be kept clear for emergency use. Other reports
are asking that these additional frequencies be kept clear: 3.525,
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7.030, 7.077, 7.087, 7.097, 14.100, 21.200 and 28.200 MHz.

JA1RL, the JARL HQ station -- along with other amateurs throughout the island nation -- is maintaining the effort to support the disaster relief operation, according to IARU Region 3 Secretary Ken Yamamoto, JA1CJP. "In less damaged areas, the electric power supply is being restored gradually and local amateurs have started to establish stations at shelters," he said. Yamamoto said that JA1RL continues to operate as an emergency traffic center on 7.030 MHz, as well as 2 meters and 70 cm. It is receiving and reporting news from Japanese amateurs who are in the affected area. Using battery power or small generators, Japanese stations are active and are using various frequencies to exchange rescue and disaster relief operation information with JA1RL and others.

"While 3.525, 7.030, 7.043 and 7.075 MHz have been mentioned as in use, it's wise to keep those -- and all of the Center of Emergency frequencies -- clear of normal and non-urgent traffic," said IARU Region 3 Disaster Communications Committee Chairman Jim Linton, VK3PC, who added that there is no call for additional foreign radio amateurs in Japan.

For more on how radio amateurs in Japan are providing communications support after earthquake, click here <http://www.arrl.org/news/radio-amateurs-in-japan-provide-communications-support-after-earthquake>.
For information on how US amateurs are helping out, click here <http://www.arrl.org/news/japan-asks-radio-amateurs-to-keep-frequencies-clear-as-country-goes-into-recovery-mode-after-devasta>.
For more on how Japan, Hawaii and the Western US dealt with the immediate aftereffects of the earthquake and tsunami, click here <http://www.arrl.org/news/massive-earthquake-hits-japan-tsunami-warnings-issued>.

==> + YAESU, ICOM AND KENWOOD ISSUE STATEMENTS REGARDING EFFECTS OF EARTHQUAKE ON OPERATIONS

In a letter to the Amateur Radio community, Vertex Standard Chief Executive Officer and President Jun Hasegawa expressed his "sincere appreciation to all of you for your kind words and thoughts about us" after the devastating 8.9 earthquake that struck Japan last week <http://www.arrl.org/news/massive-earthquake-hits-japan-tsunami-warnings-issued>.
Vertex Standard is the parent company of Yaesu. All Vertex Standard employees and their families are safe and unhurt, Hasegawa said, but the company has not been able to reach many of their dealers and subcontractors who are located on the coast area: "We just hope that they are alive." Hasegawa said that a Vertex Standard factory in Fukushima was damaged in the earthquake. Even though the factory is not located near the coast and the damage was minimal, he said that Vertex Standard has decided to "disable the operation at this moment." Saying that they are working very hard to get the factory back to its normal

operation, Hasegawa said that "it may take one to two weeks to restart operation in the Fukushima factory. I would like to ask for your understanding and cooperation at this time."

According to a press release <http://www.icomamerica.com/en/features/earthquake.aspx>, no one from ICOM is known to be injured. No damage has been reported at ICOM's headquarters in Osaka, or at either of their two main factories in Wakayama; both Osaka and Wakayama are located far south of the most severely affected areas. The branch offices in Tokyo and Sendai, however, did suffer some minor damage. "Most of ICOM's facilities and systems are ready to get back to normal business, but supplier logistics, commuting issues and future power disruptions will affect our company," the press release said. "It is too soon to tell how big an impact the earthquake and its aftermath will have on ICOM. We appreciate your interest and concern."

"Thankfully, our staff in Japan is safe due to earthquake preparedness and the special construction of our buildings," said Kenwood USA President Junji Kobayashi on the Kenwood website <http://www.kenwoodusa.com/NewsArchive/2011/20fe1b7b-fe8a-4a94-b371-bb97d0fff096>.
"Power outages and interruption of mass transit have kept most of Kenwood's staff at home since the earthquake; however, we expect the infrastructure to improve in the coming week and our operations to fully resume accordingly. We appreciate the concern for our employees expressed by all those who have contacted us." Kenwood's primary office facilities in Yokohama and Hachioji were not damaged, due to their proximity further south and west of the quake's epicenter. Since Kenwood's primary manufacturing facilities are in Malaysia, electronics production is unaffected.

==> + FCC NEWS: ARRL FILES PETITION, REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY WAIVER WITH FCC REGARDING VHF VOICE AND DATA EMISSIONS

On Tuesday, March 15, the ARRL filed a Petition for Rulemaking and a Request for Temporary Waiver to authorize the use of single-time-slot Time Division Multiple Access (TDMA) emissions in the amateur bands at and above 50 MHz, wherever multiple-time-slot TDMA is authorized. The Petition asks the FCC to allow those amateurs who are presently using a Motorola narrowband (12.5 kHz) digital land mobile system -- commercially marketed as MotoTRBO -- to be used legally. Because of some restrictions in the Part 97 rules, the TDMA repeaters (which are multiple-time-slot devices) are legal, but the mobiles and portables are not because the emissions used (single-time-slot TDMA) are not authorized anywhere, due to the emission designator. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-files-em-petition-em-em-request-for-temporary-waiver-em-with-fcc-regarding-vhf-voice-and-data-e>.

==> + FOCUS ON YOUTH: MEET NEW ARRL YOUTH EDITOR STERLING COFFEY, N0SSC

The ARRL welcomes its new Youth Editor, Sterling Coffey, N0SSC, of Warrenton, Missouri. Coffey is a freshman at the Missouri University of Science and Technology in Rolla, where he is studying electrical engineering. He said that since the age of five, he has been "intrigued and interested" in radio communication, crediting a gift of walkie-talkies "with a button and a letter diagram for Morse code." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/youth-hamradio-fun-on-becoming-a-ham>.

==> + ARRL RECOGNIZES: NOMINATIONS FOR ARRL AWARDS NOW OPEN

Each year, the ARRL Board of Directors has the opportunity to select recipients for a number of awards in various categories that honor Amateur Radio operators. The nomination period is now open for those ARRL awards that recognize educational and technological pursuits in Amateur Radio. There are also awards to honor a young Amateur Radio operator and an outstanding ARRL Section Manager. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/nominations-for-arrl-awards-now-open>.

==> + ON THE AIR: W1AW ANNOUNCES SPRING SCHEDULE

With the switch from Standard Time to Daylight Saving Time, W1AW Station Manager Joe Carcia, NJ1Q, has updated the W1AW operating schedule to reflect the change. The Eastern times have not changed, but the UTC times have. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/w1aw-announces-spring-operating-schedule>.

==> ARRL PUBLICATIONS: EXAM SOFTWARE NOW INCLUDED WITH ARRL LICENSE MANUALS

Get a jump on your Amateur Radio license upgrade with ARRL license manuals. Now the manuals for the Technician, General and Amateur Extra class licenses include a CD-ROM, complete with exam review software. Each manual includes the complete question pool for its license class, including detailed explanations for all questions and answers. The ARRL Ham Radio License Manual -- Second Edition (valid through June 30, 2014), The ARRL General Class License Manual -- Sixth Edition (valid through June 30, 2011) and The ARRL Extra Class License Manual -- Ninth Edition (valid through June 30, 2012) will help you earn the privileges that come with upgrading your Amateur Radio license. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/exam-software-now-included-with-arrl-license-manuals>.

==> + AMATEUR RADIO IN SPACE: HAMS INVITED TO TRACK SATELLITES

In November 2010, five research satellites were carried to orbit <http://www.arrl.org/news/hams-invited-to-listen-for-new-satellites> aboard a Minotaur V rocket from Kodiak Island, Alaska. Two of these satellites -- FASTRAC 1, known as "Sara Lily" and FASTRAC 2, referred to as "Emma" -- entered orbit as a single nanosatellite, but on March 15, scientists sent the command to have them separate. According to FASTRAC Student Program Manager Sebastian Munoz, KE5FKV, students at the University of Texas will be confirming the separation as the satellites pass: "We started one of the most exciting phases of our

project by separating both of our girls so that they can compute
on-orbit real-time relative navigation solutions while both of them are
freely drifting from one another." Munoz said that they will continue
to update the satellites' two line elements (TLEs) on their website
<http://fastrac.ae.utexas.edu/for_radio_operators/users/phpBB3/predictedorbit
.php>
for those radio amateurs interested in tracking the two nanosatellites.
"I want to thank the ham community all over the world for supporting
our project," Munoz said. "Your support has been incredible and we
really value it. We really appreciate all of your help so far and we
hope that we can continue to count on it."

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "And look, the Sun is in the sky
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4JDNTS2wHHo>" Cook, K7RA, reports: The
average daily sunspot numbers this week plummeted 45 points to 69,
while the average daily solar flux was off nearly 25 points to 114.5.
Last Friday, March 11, the planetary A index reached 40 due to a
powerful X1.5 class solar flare at 2323 on March 9. This is another
definite indication that Solar Cycle 24 is ramping up. After four years
of no X-class flares, there have been two in the last month. The past
few days have seen very quiet geomagnetic conditions, with the K index
in most locations at 0. The latest forecast shows quiet conditions with
planetary A index around 5 until March 27-30, when the predicted
planetary A index is expected to rise to 7, 7, 19 and 7. The predicted
solar flux for March 17-26 is 90, 85, 80, 85, 90, 95, 100, 110, 85 and
85. This Sunday is the spring equinox in the northern hemisphere, a
welcome sign for DXers everywhere. Look for more information on the
ARRL website -- including reports, anecdotes and observations on
propagation and an explanation about how the geomagnetic A index is
calculated -- on Friday, March 18. For more information concerning
radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service
Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This
week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by the song Cool, Cool
Considerate Men <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4JDNTS2wHHo> from the
musical 1776 <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/1776_%28musical%29>.

==> ARRL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO MEET THIS WEEKEND

The ARRL Executive Committee will be meeting this weekend in Chicago.
The agenda for their March 19, 2011 meeting is now available
<http://www.arrl.org/files/media/News/ARRL_Executive_Committee_Agenda_031911.
pdf>.

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==> THIS WEEK ON THE RADIO

This week:

- March 19 -- 10-10 International Mobile Contest; AGCW VHF/UHF Contest; Feld Hell Sprint (local time)
- March 19-20 -- Oklahoma QSO Party; North Dakota QSO Party; Russian DX Contest
- March 19-21 -- Virginia QSO Party; BARTG HF RTTY Contest
- March 21 -- Run for the Bacon QRP Contest
- March 23 -- SKCC Sprint

Next week:

- March 26-27 -- CQ WW WPX Contest (SSB)

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more info. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- March 19 -- ARRL West Texas Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-texas-section-convention-56th-annual-st-patrick-s-day-hamfest>, Midland, Texas; ARRL Nebraska State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/nebraska-state-convention-1>, Lincoln, Nebraska
- March 25 -- ARRL Maine State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/maine-state-convention-1>, Lewiston, Maine
- March 26 -- ARRL Maryland State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/maryland-state-convention-greater-baltimore-hamboree-computerfest>, Timonium, Maryland
- April 2 -- ARRL New Jersey State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/new-jersey-state-convention-1>, Ewing, New Jersey

- April 21 -- ARRL Idaho State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/idaho-state-convention-1>, Boise, Idaho
- April 23 -- ARRL Louisiana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/louisiana-state-convention-twin-city-ham-radio-
fest>,
Monroe, Louisiana; ARRL North Carolina State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/north-carolina-state-convention-raleigh-hamfest
>,
Raleigh, North Carolina

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Source record: 4724
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Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2011-03-20.mp3
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WIANEWS - MAR 20 - VK NATIONAL NEWS

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WIANEWS FOR WEEK COMMENCING MARCH 20 2011.

Amateur Radio we get people talking

FROM THE DELTA TO THE DMZ, VIET NAM, XV.

The situation worsens after triple disasters hit Japan

ARGENTINA HEARD IN NORTH CAROLINA ON 2 METER FM VIA WIRE ANTENNA

ALL THESE STORIES UP AND COMING IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS
INSTITUTE OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING MARCH 20 2011.

OUT OF THIS WORLD

Students of Mackay State High School in Queensland talked to Astronaut
Paolo Nespoli on the International Space Station on Wednesday 2nd March
as the International Space Station passed over Australia.

Sixteen students, asked questions like, Do you get physically tired in space
even though your body does not exert force when you float and your muscles
are not working against gravity? (answer) I still get extremely tired,
we make sure we do about two hours of fitness everyday, we are tired mostly
from the long hours we do, I always look forward to sleep.

200 people including students from the school, parents and invited guests listened in the School Hall.

There was a telebridge link from the school to Tony VK5ZAI in South Australia who acted as the Earth Amateur Radio Station with a radio link to the ISS. The Ham Radio Contact Coordinator for the school is Shane Lynd, VK4KHZ. Teacher in command:- Kylie Anthes-Cole

The Mackay Amateur Radio Association put on a display of Amateur Radio Brochures and Magazines and Books and information of interest .

Channel 7 and WIN TV news were present and recorded the proceedings .

BEHIND A SUCCESSFUL ARISS CONTACT IS THE PAPER WORK!
At the end of this text you will see how a contact is meticulously planned. It is a copy of the script to the mentor, ground station, and school sent several days in advance.

(Bruce Lenahan VK4NPF Mackay Amateur Radio Association with additional audio by Felix VK4FUQ)

NSW Police recognise radio operator rescue effort

MYSAILING.COM.AU have reported how Marine Rescue Terrey Hills radio operator Ian Murdoch has been awarded the Region Commander's Certificate of Appreciation from NSW Police Assistant Commissioner Ken McKay.

Ian, together with four members of Broken Bay Water Police, received awards for their part in the rescue of six people on board the stricken yacht "Encore" which foundered in gale force conditions off Broken Bay on the afternoon of 23 October, 2008.

On that day Ian was sole radio operator at the Marine Rescue Sydney radio base and although alone, managed 75 minutes of non-stop intense pressures in a Mayday call for help. He relayed the distressed vessel's position to other vessels in the area, informed Water Police, co-ordinated a veritable fleet of responding vessels - the police launch, a passenger ferry, a bulk carrier and a training yacht - and maintained contact with the vessel until Water Police were able to take the six off the sinking vessel.

read the full enthralling story in mysailing.com.au

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WIA members and friends are invited to attend the formal opening of the WIA premises at Unit 20, 11-13 Havelock Road, Bayswater, Victoria at 4:00pm Saturday, April 2nd.

The premises will be named "Andersson House" in honour of Henry Andersson VK8HA.

Henry was an Honorary Life Member of the WIA, who passed away October 6 2004.

He left his property at Humpty Doo, near Darwin, to the WIA. That generous bequest provided much of the funds needed to enable the purchase.

Light refreshments will be served between 4:00pm and 6:00pm, and a memorial plaque will be unveiled at a ceremony commencing at 4:30pm.

If you would like to attend, please RSVP to the Office on (03) 9729 0440 between 10:00am and 4:00pm Monday to Friday.

Amateur Radio we get people talking

So far a few clubs are registered for our hobby's big public relations event, World Amateur Radio Day the 17th of April.

Tasmanias Central Coast Amateur Radio Club is to set up in Hiscutt Park, Melbournes EMDRC is booked at Lilydale Park, with a second EMDRC entry just received for the Jaycar carpark, corner of Springvale Road and Princes Highway, Mulgrave and last years winner Amateur Radio Victoria is set again for Point Gellibrand at Williamstown.

We know that several other clubs are talking about registration and will do so in coming days.

With only weeks to go a lot more clubs and groups of individuals should get right behind this nationwide effort to take amateur radio and show what it has to offer the public.

All it really needs is knowledgeable and well presented people to explain amateur radio, plus a well presented station.

Read the rules and plan immediately to get involved with the WIA National Field Day, read the article on the WIA website. A summary appears in this months Amateur Radio magazine.

Tune-in to world Amateur Radio gets people talking Sunday the 17th of April.

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news

Waverley Amateur Radio Society

Waverley's clubhouse has a harbour side location in the Scout Hall at Vickery Avenue, Rose Bay with easy parking and is always open on the first Saturday afternoon of each month at 1:30pm for a variety of activities or just a rag chew, with all welcome to drop in.
The next occasion will be on April 2nd.

TRASH TREASURE

Next Sunday morning will be the regular Trash & Treasure gathering at VK2WI Dural - at 63 Quarry Road - It is also the bi-monthly exam assessment for all grades, check out details on the ARNSW web site www.arnsw.org.au

A sausage sandwich is available from the BBQ for lunch and in the afternoon
the Radio Homebrew and Experimenters group meeting ...

VK4 - QNEWS
web service local audio news:- www.wiaq.com/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
local news email qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
VKR Roundup http://www.police.qld.gov.au/News+and+Alerts/Media+Releases/

VK4 SILENT KEYS @ 2010 - 2011 QAC YEAR

VK4MWT Tom Bowden November 14 2010 Advised by Gavin VK4ZZ
VK4SS Alan Shawsmith November 23 2010 Advised by Stepphen VK4JSS
VK4CK Colin King December 30 2010 Advised by Gary VK4AR
VK4AMO Mike O'Callaghan January 02 2011 advised by Dale VK4DMC
VK4HER Dawn Sebbens January 09 2011 advised by Margaret VK4AOE
VK4YNL Egon Frangenheim January 19 2011 advised by Gordon VK4VP
VK4DI Len Effeney February 01 2011 advised by Clive VK4ACC

Silent Key

Sadly we must advise of the passing of an Amateur and member of SCARC.

Egon Frangenheim VK4YNL passed away January 19 after a battle with cancer.
He was a frequent visitor to the club HF Net on Thursday nights and always
had an excellent signal.

Vale Egon VK4YNL 25/10/1928 to 19/1/2011

Welcome to QNews from VK4WIA. I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP, and I've been thinking.

Recently I have been taking time to catch up on current trends in amateur
radio. The software defined radio is a logical evolution in electronics.
More and more computing power is being focussed in dedicated ic's for the
commercial and military markets. For the hobbyist, the implementation can be
with simple hardware and free software on the shack PC.

Whilst relaxing in front of the TV, the mind started on a train of imagination
as a result of a segment on "intelligent" prostheses. As the demands of war
injuries has spurred research, new artificial limbs with functions controlled
by body nerve pulses are achieving remarkable results for the users. Even
during the 8bit computer era, speech recognition was a topic of great
interest. The reported developments in military avionics with speech
recognition puts some awesome capacity before the multitasking combat pilot.

The studies into artificial intelligence, spurred by the robotics enthusiasts,
are producing interesting algorithms for the development of independently
operational machines.

And so what does this have to do with amateur radio? It seems that innovation
stirs the mind of many amateurs and all these streams of development could
make the ultimate contest station. Imagine keying CW with thoughts alone!
Telling the rig what band and mode to operate would make it the greatest
"look Mum - no hands" experience.

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think.....how about you?

This is Gordon VK4VP with news from the Sunshine Coast

Annual General Meeting
The SCARC AGM was held recently and some chair shuffling has occurred. The President is still Noel VK4NL, Richard VK4RY is Vice President.

Other changes are a new Secretary in the shape of Warwick VK4NW who replaced Gordon VK4VP after 9 years in the chair. It was mentioned that another year would have allowed entitlements for long service leave, however Gordon decided that due to the generous salary the club paid he could live in the manner he has been accustomed to for many years to come.

A new face on committee is Leicester VK4ALH and the club welcomes him. A quick dig through the archives shows that two committee members namely Harvey VK4AHW and Treasurer Keith VK4AKA are in their tenth year of service on committee.

John Moyle Field Day
The club is again doing Howells Knob west of Maleny for the annual John Moyle Field Day being held this weekend 19th and 20th of March. Members are reminded that the Sunday social BBQ on that Sunday will be held at Howells Knob. The club again thanks Mike VK4YFL for looking after the kitchen. It is thought most go for the food and operate in the contest just to while away the time between meals.

This has been Gordon VK4VP

Redcliffe and District Radio Club
www.redclifferadioclub.org.au/

LISTEN TO RAY VK4CF by tuning http://www.wiaq.com/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3

Written script not supplied. (Apologies Ed. VK4BB)

TABLELANDS RADIO AND ELECTRONICS CLUB
vk4wat@wia.org.au
www.treclub.org.au

G'day again from Far North Queensland where it is still very wet and tropical, this is Dale VK4DMC for the Tablelands Radio and Electronics Club, TREC, in Far North Queensland.

As this news goes to air TREC members are at Lake Tinaroo on the Atherton Tablelands working the John Moyle Field Day contest.

We have 4 stations on air, working both HF and VHF. So if you here VK4WAT calling "CQ CONTEST" please call and say G'day.

Conditions are damp but we are having a great time and the coffee is great.

Next weekend TREC members will be on air again providing communications support for the Far North Endurance Riders. There are 10 rides this year so we will be busy providing a safety mantle for the riders and also practicing our field operations.

Visit the TREC website at www.treclub.org.au for club information and you can also download the latest monthly club news in TREC-NEWS.

This has been Dale VK4DMC and you are listening to the WIA news.
Travel Well!

VK7
local area news :- http://reast.asn.au/news.php
vk7 local news, email vk7regionalnews-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

High above the Northern Tasmanian landscape is Mt Barrow, 1362 metres above sea level, and perched another 25 metres above that, located on the Air Services Australia tower, are the antennae for one of Australia's finest 2 metre repeaters, VK7RAA.

Unfortunately the brackets that hold the antennae to the tower are getting old, and require replacement, and in this world of safety first, the landlord has mandated replacement of these brackets with something that would appear to be quite over-engineered for the job, obviously specifying a large safety margin in their construction strength and design.

Such engineering doesn't come cheap, but With a little luck, these brackets may even outlast the tower to which they're going to be attached!

(Jason VK7ZJA, Secretary Northern Tasmanian Amateur Radio Club ntarc.net)

REAST

April Presentation - Antarctic Telecommunications

Wednesday 6th at 7:30pm will be on Antarctic Telecommunications and will be given by Peter Yates and Ian McLean who run telecommunications for the Australian Antarctic Division.

The presentation will be at the AAD Headquarters in Kingston and will include a live demonstration.

If you intend to go along then please let Warren VK7FEET know by calling him on R2/R5 or email: Committee.Member.B@reast.asn.au or calling him on mobile: 0428 927 736.

Presentation should be from 1930 to about 2130.

http://reast.asn.au/events.php#antarcticradio

(73, REAST Committee)

HOME OF THE GOOD GUYS

the Manly-Warringah Radio Society offers grants to youngsters interested in becoming Radio Amateurs.

Recently the Good Guys at the club awarded the first of its grants to Lachlan Boyle, who now sports the callsign VK2FBAH.

Not for long though, as Lachlan is already studying for his licence upgrade!

Congratulations Lachlan, who received a cheque for $100, plus a year's free membership of the club.

For more information about the First Amateur Radio License Youth Grant, visit the wia.org.au and check out vk2 clubs and the "Education" link of Manly-Warringah.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART and the WW sources of the WIA.

Change of IARU Region 3 Secretary

The Directors of IARU Region 3 very much regret to announce the resignation for personal reasons of Seiichi (Jay) Oka JA1TRC as Secretary of IARU Region 3 from 9 March 2011.

Directors have appointed Katsumi (Ken) Yamamoto JA1CJP as new Secretary.

In nominating Ken as Secretary, JARL President Shozo Hara JA1AN reaffirmed his society's strong and continuing support of IARU Region 3 and its secretary, at the same time stressing the importance of the regional secretary's independence from any member society.

Ken holds a Bachelor of Science degree in electronics engineering and worked for KDD, now KDDI, in the satellite communications field for many years.

During that time he worked in many countries, including five years stationed in the United Kingdom working with the International Maritime Satellite Organisation.

Michael Owen VK3KI, Chairman IARU Region 3 said Ken was first licensed in 1967 and today continues to have an active interest in DX and contests.

Still in JA land,

The situation worsens after the triple disasters hit Japan

Ken Yamamoto JA1CJP reports at the request of Central Emergency Communication Committee, the JARL is operating its HQ station JA1RL in Tokyo, and regional HQ stations.

Earlier it was reported that JA1RL was using 7 MHz SSB, 144 MHz SSB/FM and 430 MHz SSB/FM.

Ken, the new IARU R3 Secretary said, "Many radio amateurs are thanked for providing information and exchanging support to the rescue and disaster relief operations. Those who can operate in the affected areas are providing a lifeline for rescue teams and those at local shelters. Some stations are operating with car batteries and others with engine generators."

Ken JA1CJP said, "Another problem is the nuclear power plant where the water supply system failure caused overheating of the nuclear fuel bar. That causes some radioactive gas release from the plant and people have been evacuated from the surrounding area."

The earthquake also damaged electric power generation plants fuelled by oil or natural gas, resulting in a shortage of electricity.

The following information also from Ken JA1CJP:-

7043 kHz SSB controlled by JR3QHQ the Osaka branch manager of JARL
He is gathering incident information on radio and forwarding
onto the internet.

7075 kHz SSB is operated by JL3YSP in Wakayama occasionally.

7030 kHz which is the JARL emergency communication frequency in their band plan is in use by JA7RL (JARL regional HQ station).

The last frequency is particularly QRP relevant. There are obviously propagation factors which would limit their range but would all amateurs please make every effort to avoid interfering with emergency communications on these frequencies

JA1RL continues to operate under instruction to be an emergency traffic centre and increasingly receiving help from JARL members in the affected area.

Many other stations are active and are using various frequencies including some battery powered and others using small generators to exchange rescue and disaster relief operation information with JA1RL and others.

While 3525, 7030, 7043 and 7075 have been mentioned as in use, its wise to keep those and all of the Centre of Emergency clear of normal and non-urgent traffic. There is no call for additional foreign radio amateurs.

(sourced in the main to Jim Linton, VK3PC, Chairman IARU Region 3 Disaster Communications Committee also VU Yahoo groups).

ARGENTINA HEARD IN NORTH CAROLINA ON 2 METER FM ON WIRE ANTENNA

The recent sunspots have brought some interesting propagation. Even on some of the VHF and UHF bands.

According to W0WOI reporting over the VHF Reflector, at 16:55 U-T-C March 2, Jonathon Ballard, KI4UKF who lives in Stokes County, North Carolina heard Claudio Costa, LW2ECC in Argentina calling CQ on 144.48 MHz FM.

What really makes this interesting is that KI4UKF was using a Moxon wire antenna tacked to a wall. He said the signal was steady for several minutes at about S6, before it faded away. H e emailed Claudio, who confirmed the transmission. Claudio reported that he was using three 5/8 wave verticals and 160 watts.

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AMATEUR RADIO NEWSLINE

CANADIAN HAMS ASK RAC FOR ASSISTANCE IN RIDDING PLASMA TV INTERFERENCE

Members of Canada's Niagara Peninsula Amateur Radio Club say that noise and signals originating from Plasma screen digital television sets are causing

considerable interference to their HF activities. They have asked their national society for help.

According to a news release from Radio Amateurs of Canada, complaints of this nature require specific and detailed information before it can consider taking this matter to telecommunications regulator Industry Canada. To gather this information, Radio Amateurs of Canada invited its members who own Plasma screen television receivers to report their experiences of interference.

Also they were asked to provide a description of their HF station and antenna system and the exact nature of the interference. This means what bands are affected, what the interference sounds like and any other pertinent information. Remedies should also be tried and reported such as using ferrite chokes on power cords and signal cables if interference is detected.

Amateurs with advanced instrumentation such as spectrum analysers and calibrated antennas should measure signal intensity levels at given distances; these measurements will add credibility to investigations.

Canadian hams suffering from this type of interference should send their reports to Norm Rashleigh, VE3LC, via email to ve3lc@rac.ca

THREE HAMSATS LOST IN TAURUS XL LAUNCH FAILURE

A launch failure has lead to the demise of several new ham radio birds. Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, is in the newsroom with the details:

Three amateur radio satellites were lost when a launch booster failed to achieve orbit. The satellites were launched from Vandenberg Air Force Base in California on board an Orbital Sciences Taurus XL rocket.

According to news reports, its believed that the launchers fairing which covers the satellites on top of the rocket, did not separate properly. This added drag prevented the Taurus XL from gaining enough momentum to attain orbit.

The ham radio payload consisted of the Explorer-1, KySat-1 and Hermes. The rocket is believed to have crashed near the Antarctic.

By the way, Bill actually saw and photographed the launch from his front lawn in Santa Clarita, California. That's at least 80 miles from Vandenberg Air Force Base. He says that it was the brightest abject in the night sky. His pictures, which were a last minute idea are grab-shots taken without a tripod and are posted in his 2011 photo album on Facebook.

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RSGB

ORF to operate International Marconi Day station

The Amateur Radio Section of ORF, the Austrian Broadcasting Corporation, in conjunction with the Documentary Archives Radio Communications QSL Collection will operate OE11M from 00.01 UTC on 29th April to 23.59 UTC on 1st May.

OE11M is an official International Marconi Day station and contacts made on 30 April are valid for the IMD Award. QSL via OE-Bureau or direct to OE1WHC.

Cards without SAE & new IRC or dollars to cover postage will be processed via da Bureau.

The 2011 International Museums Weekend special event will once again be a double-weekend and will take place on 18 and 19 June as well as 25 and 26 June.

Radio amateurs are encouraged to participate in this event by setting up stations in their local museums. Harry, M1BYT, who is organising the event, asks that all those intending to take part should register their museum via harry.m1byt@tiscali.co.uk

Full details of the event can be found on the International Museums Weekend website

www.ukradioamateur.co.uk/imw

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MEDIA WATCH
www.cq-amateur-radio.com/WorldRadio.html
VK Club Bulletins http://groups.yahoo.com/group/aarnie/

NORTH WEST TASSIE NEWS

News Rebroadcasts - New Time

New time for the WIA and Regional News evening re-broadcast.

For some time this re-broadcast had started at 9.00PM Tuesday evenings but from now on it will begin one hour earlier.

For listeners in the North and Northwest, please tune in to the Mount Duncan repeater on 146.625 at 8.00pm on Tuesday evenings.

(Winston, VK7EM)

OPERATIONAL NEWS -

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2011

Mar 19-20 WIA John Moyle Field Day weekend

Apr 23 ZL/VK 2011 VK/ZL RTTY SPRINT 80 metres (zl2sky@zl2ko.or.au)

Apr 30 WW Marconi Day 2011 (www.gb4imd.org.uk)

Apr 30 ZL/VK 2011 VK/ZL RTTY SPRINT 40 metres (zl2sky@zl2ko.or.au)

2010 IARU HF World Championships Scores are in and in our zone, Zone 55 Australia, VK4EMM racked up a MASSIVE 357,555 points! Well done!

(sourced to nzart)

JMC

The Hunter Radio Group contest team are operating portable at Booral near Stroud for this weekends John Moyle Contest.

Summerland Amateur Radio Club in Northern New South Wales, VK2SRC is also operating portable, this is from location QF 69 FU in the John Moyle contest on 2 metres, 70 and 23 centimetres.

Dale VK4DMC from a very wet and soggy Far North Queensland tells us that Tablelands Radio and Electronics Club, TREC, are operating from Lake Tinaroo on the Atherton Tablelands on HF and VHF using the club call-sign VK4WAT.

theTARCinc are on air from Baden Powell Campsite Toolakea Beach Rd. Bluewater.

Brendon VK8FQRP is in the John Moyle from Darwin on QRP (love that call 8FQRP) 10m station under the VK8DA callsign. As an aside Brendon has been having great success, 500mw to VK7 and VK2 over the past few weeks from the Top End!

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, REPEATER BEACON DX AND NET ADVICE

DX0DX mission postponed

The DXpedition to the Spratly's has been postponed to April 2012.

Team Leader Chris Dimitrijevic VK3FY said he was determined to recover as much of the costs as possible to put things right for all the Team members, Sponsors, organisations and individuals involved.

He said "It's better to concentrate on getting the best value for the assets for the January venture so that I can recover the best return for the operators."

Apologies are made by Chris VK3FY to the DX community for the changes that have been outside his control.

Earlier on it was announced that difficulties with logistics and customs were the major problems, but have since been overcome.

Chris VK3FY has personally undertaken to post the contributions, foundations, and costs on the DX0DX Yahoo group and to foundations.

(Jim Linton VK3PC, Public Affairs)

LORD HOWE

The Hellenic Amateur Radio Association of Australia are organising a DX Peditiion to Lord Howe Island in July using the club call sign VK9HR.

They are looking for CW operators and experienced SSB and digital modes operators who would be interested in attending this DXPedition.

Any interested operators please contact the President of HARAOA, Mr Tommy Horozakis VK2IR on 0413 005 511 or president@haraoa.com

(John Chalkiarakis VK3YP HARAOA Treasurer)

NAMIBIA, V5.

Special event callsign V 5 21 NAM is active in celebration of the 21st anniversary of the independence of the country and the beginning of the Namibian Amateur Radio League.

QSL via V 51 NAM

ILLW 2011 shapes up well

The 14th annual Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend will be held as a fun event in the weekend of 20-21 August.

Already 135 registrations have been received and it on track to nudge last year's total of 447.

Germany and Australia traditionally account for most entries and their enthusiasm shows again this year.

Of particular interest will be DA2011LH at special event callsign at Campen Lighthouse.

To inquire about the International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend visit the website ILLW.NET

FROM THE DELTA TO THE DMZ

VIET NAM, XV.

Yannick, XV4Y is active from the Mekong Delta in the south of Vietnam. Activity is mainly on 40, 20, 17 and 15 meters from 0700 to 0900z and then 1300 to 1500z.

QSL direct via OK1DOT.

Mike VK4MIK (vk4mike@yahoo.com.au) of Tableland Radio Group advises of the 2nd running of the Event known as "AM and CW on ANZAC DAY."

25 April 1200 EST to give an Amateur Radio salute to our veterans by using the modes that were used in world War 1, 2 and Korea Malaysia and Vietnam.

It is hoped to activate ex navy ships and military museums as well as warbird and private museums as well as historical sites of military significance and operators using AM and CW.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

AMSAT-VK UNOFFICIAL HF Net.
2nd Sunday each month.
April through October 1000 UTC 3.685 MHz
November through March 0900 UTC 7.068 MHz

CPUT TO BUILD S-BAND TRANSMITTER FOR UK SATELLITE

The Cape Peninsula University of Technology South Africa has been invited by the UK to build an S-band transmitter for the first satellite to be launched by the UK Space Agency in December 2011.

UKube1 is an exciting and novel collaboration between the UK Space Agency, industry and academia, and is envisaged as the pilot for a full UK CubeSat programme.

Strathclyde University, who are coordinating the project, approached CPUT to build the transmitter. A similar unit is already under construction at CPUT for its own 3U CubeSat.

(sarl)

LOW DOWN IN THE NEWS

New sub-9kHz Amateur Radio website

Roger G3XBM brings news of a new Amateur Radio VLF sub-9kHz website.

https://sites.google.com/site/sub9khz/

This group is bringing together information more accessibly.
The original pages just grew and grew as activity at VLF just took off.
It is almost 1 year to the day since Stefan DK7FC made his first historic DX transmission on 8.97kHz. Since then they've come a VERY long way.

The new site also has a table showing the VLF DX records.

https://sites.google.com/site/sub9khz/

(southgate)

REWIND

Early Australian Callsigns, I'm Col VK4CC

Ever wondered how the Australian amateur radio prefix "VK" came about?
According to "History of Australian Radio Callsigns" by K3HZ, Dave, it came from a block of prefixes beginning with the letter V, assigned to British Commonwealth countries in 1912 to commemorate the death of Queen Victoria.

The block VH - VK was allocated to Australia but these were not assigned to Australian amateurs until 1928.

1910, after representations by the WIA, the then Postmaster General's Department began issuing experimental licenses. These used a three letter call beginning with X and did not differentiate between states until 1912 when these three letter calls were broken up into blocks according to state.

In early 1914 the experimental calls were changed again when a number representing the states was incorporated into a 1 x 2 format. The Letter X was followed by a number, for example 4 to represent Qld followed by a two letter suffix.

All licences were cancelled during WW1 and none were issued until 1922 when an A was added to the X prefix to designate "Experimental Australia" resulting in a 2 x two callsign format.

The next change in Prefix came in 1927 when an international radio conference decided that Australia should use the prefix OA to signify "Oceania Australia". The OA prefix was short lived however as yet another international radio conference in 1928 resulted in Australia amateurs finally using the VK prefix.

So if today's callsign format seems confusing spare a thought for our early amateur brethren and the many changes that they endured in only 18 short but tumultuous years.

(Col VK4CC)

SOCIAL SCENE

2011

Mar 20 vk7 MEET THE VOICE BBQ THIS WEEKEND "Ross Caravan Park".

Apr 2 - 3 vk4 Bunya Mts & District AmCom and SCARC Somerset Dam Camp Out.
(0488 687 649)

Apr 9 vk6 Hills Amateur Radio Group HARGFEST at club rooms Lesmurdie.
(HARGFEST. ie, hamfest run by HARG)

Apr 18 WW "Amateur Radio: The first technology-based social network"
World Amateur Radio Day, April 18 and WIA Field Day.

Apr 30 - May 1 Clareview Gathering contact Clive VK4ACC of RADAR Club
04 2963 2815.

May 27-29 WIA AGM Weekend in Darwin
secretary@wia.org.au

Jun 10-12 VK4 Far North and North Queensland Amateur Radio Gathering at
King Reef Resort Kurrimine Beach.

Jul 16 VK3 Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club Hamfest
Cranbourne Community Hall 10am (secretary@ggrec.org.au)

Jul 31 VK2/3 Riverina Field Day 10am at Lavington Scout Group Hall.

Aug 7 VK2 Lismore region - SARCFEST

Sep 11 VK3 SADARC Comms Day at St Augustine's Hall Shepparton 10am.

Sep 23-28 R3 Region 3 ARDF Championship Bendigo VK3
http://r3.ardf.org.au/

Sep 30-Oct 2 VK4 Central Highlands Amateur Radio Club AGM at Camp Fairbairn
CONTACT Secretary Gordon, (vk4kal@wia.org.au)

Nov 20 vk5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society Hamfest
Goodwood Community Centre, Rosa St Goodwood at 0930.
Visit www.ahars.com.au for contact details

2012

15TH IARU REGION 3 CONFERENCE hosted by V.A.R.C. in Ho-Chi-Minh City, Vietnam.

JAN 23-FEB 17 YEAR 2012
World Radio Conference WRC-11 Geneva 23rd January TO 17th February 2012

MAY 3-18 2012 VK5
YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

THE FINAL FINAL

Got this message few minutes ago.

Message from Toru, JG1EIQ

Following frequencies are assigned for emergency JA QSO. Please be clear.
Thank you for your kind help!

Ops JARL & volunteers

3520 to 3530
7025 to 703514090 to 14110
21190 to 2120028190 to 28210
50100 51000

kindly consider QSY freq & RTTY freq.

73 YO2MBU

BEHIND A SUCCESSFUL ARISS CONTACT IS THE PAPER WORK!

Here is how a contact is meticulously planned.

Script to the mentor, ground station, and school several days in advance.

Conferencing operator name(s):
What touchtone codes call the operator?
Ask operator to start recording

Station checks:
Station operator name(s)? Tony Hutchison
Station callsign? VK5ZAI
Tracked ISS recently?
Antenna slews in azimuth and elevation?
Flip mode enabled?
Check their clock setting.
When did they get elements?
Check ISS sub-satellite point, az, el, and rise time.
Confirm frequencies (channels not actual numbers) with station.
Can someone use an HT to do an end-to-end check?
Station will be asked for a brief overview.

Name of school McKay State High School
Location of school Mackay MC, Queensland, Australia
Name of person at school Kylie Anthes-Cole

Have first student at microphone.
Have next student move up once crewmember starts answering.

Say OVER.

Teacher (or alternate) will be asked for a one minute intro.

"Big Thanks" at the end.
Followed by a brief script.

Turn off (or set to vibrate) all phones and pagers

Everyone needs to be quiet: no cheering or clapping until the end.

May not get everyone through-

IRLP & EchoLink- John Spasojevich, AG9D

Start at T-6 minutes

Conferencing Operator Opens lines-

Hello everyone, this is Keith Pugh, W5IU, your Amateur Radio moderator for today.

Through the help of amateur radio volunteers and the crew on the ISS we hope to soon establish ham radio contact with the International Space Station as it flies more than 200 miles above the Earth, over Australia. This is all accomplished with ARISS--Amateur Radio on the International Space Station.

The ISS currently is flying over the Indian Ocean, whizzing along at around 17 thousand 500 miles an hour.

This contact will be performed using the Amateur Radio telebridge network, a world-wide network of amateur radio ground stations that enable students to contact the ISS.

ARISS is a consortium of ham radio volunteers from 9 nations that develop and operate the amateur radio station on the international space station. Some members of ARISS are the American Radio Relay League, the worldwide AMSAT Radio Amateur Satellite Corporations, CSA, ESA, JAXA, NASA, and Roscosmos. The amateur radio ground station that will establish contact with the ISS is VK5ZAI in Australia, operated by Tony Hutchison. Thanks for helping us out, Tony!

We have about 4 minutes until contact time.

Our contact for today is with McKay State High School.
The Ham Radio Contact Coordinator for the school is Shane Lynd, VK4KHZ.
We've asked teacher Kylie Anthes-Cole, to please briefly tell us about McKay State High School and the students taking part today.

(if necessary, ad lib about student events until approx T-3 minutes)
Where are the students from?
Weather at ground station and school?

T-3 minutes:
Tony, before the contact begins, please tell us about your ham radio station, where you are, and how you'll handle the conversation.

T-1 minutes:
Remember that what we are doing on ISS is an experiment---so we can never

tell the results---positive or negative until the experiment is over.
And students, don't forget to say OVER.

In about 30 seconds the station should be coming over Australia, so Tony,
it's all yours. Good luck!

Students First Names & Questions:

1. Aaron: Do you currently employ any methods to combat radiation emitted
from the sun? And if not is anything being tested or planned for this
purpose?

2. Joel: What do you see as the future for astronauts and NASA space
exploration?

3. Jasmine: What are the physical effects of going into space and coming
home?

4. Marcia: If the Earth was positioned anywhere else in our solar system,
do you think life would be able to exist?

5. Sweta: Do you get physically tired in space even though your body does
not exert any force when you float and your muscles are not working
against gravity? If you do get tired then, why?

6. Amanda: How much of a difference is it, sleeping in space compared to
sleeping on Earth?

7. Tessa: If a fish was placed in a sealed fish bowl full of water, could
it swim inside the space station? i.e. given that a fish has a swim
bladder that assists in buoyancy, without gravity, would the fish be able
to swim?

8. Amy: Does it get hot in your spacesuit?

9. Shelly: Considering the chain of technical failures that contributed to
a near catastrophic end to "Apollo 13" that was depicted in the film,
what advances in technology and safety has occurred that gives astronauts
a greater sense of safety than what they had during the early days of
space travel.

10. Rebecca: What problems do you face doing experiments up there?

11. Shane: How different is the viewing of stars in space since there is no
atmosphere around the ship.

12. Blessing: What is the Station's defence against solar flares and
radiation?

13. Diana: How does zero gravity affect bodily functions?

14. Melissa: What systems do you have on-board the ISS to monitor the weather
systems on Earth?

15. Tyler: How do you go to the toilet in space?

16. Jasmine: How do you control your movement or walking in space when you have zero gravity?

(CLOSE)

Ladies and Gentlemen, we have shared a moment of history. Amateur radio station VK5ZAI in Australia operated by Tony Hutchison, contacted Paolo Nespoli, IZ0JPA, aboard the International Space Station, talking with students at McKay State High School in Mackay, Queensland, Australia.

Now, for the international volunteer team of ARISS, including the Radio Amateur Satellite Corporations around the world, the American Radio Relay League, CSA, ESA, JAXA, NASA, and Roscosmos, this is Keith Pugh, amateur radio operator W5IU sending my greetings to all of you in amateur radio terms, 73,---best wishes.

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-18 09:00:14 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20110318090005.C42D133C32@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4725
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1753 - March 18 2011

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1753 with a release date of
Friday, March 18 2011 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. An earthquake and tsunami bring death and
destruction to Japan and ham radio responds to the publics call. Also,
the Somali pirates who killed three American hams are indicted in the
USA, the Russian Federation adopts C-E-P-T licensing and the ARRL
releases a video that urges its members to save the 70 centimeter band
by opposing Congressional measure H R 607. Hear the Leagues message
right here on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1753 coming your
way right now.

(Billboard Cart Here)

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RESCUE RADIO: HAMS RESPOND IN JAPAN FOLLOWING 8.9 QUAKE AND TSUNAMI

Japan remains under its worst threat to an ever rising toll, widespread
destruction, power, fuel and water shortages follow the massive
earthquake, tsunami and failed 40-year old nuclear power station. Jim
Linton, VK3PC, has the latest developments in regard to ham radio
relief efforts taking place as we go to air:

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IARU Region 3 Secretary, Ken Yamamoto JA1CJP said the Japan Amateur
Radio League HQ station JA1RL, and other amateur stations, are
maintaining their effort to support the disaster operation.

Ken JA1CJP said, ''In less damaged areas, the power supply is being
restored gradually, and local amateur radio club members have started
to establish stations at shelters."

The information is being coordinated, as part of an organized rescue
and relief effort. It seems likely to continue for some weeks, and
months, to come.

The 8.9 on the Richter scale quake hit off north-eastern Sendai, and
triggered a ten-meter tsunami, on last Friday.

Ken JA1CJP, quoting local news sources said, the situation is getting
worse. Some reports put the dead and missing at 11,000.

Some 55,000 houses/buildings were damaged by the earthquake and 3,000 houses washed away by the tsunami.

Rescue teams have arrived and started their activities. They came from many nations, including Australia, China, Korea, Singapore, New Zealand, USA, Germany, Switzerland and Russia.

In all, the Japanese government has received help from 91 nations and Territories, and nine international organizations.

Ken JA1CJP said another worry is leakage of radio-active gasses at the Fukushima nuclear plant, which was damaged by the earthquake and tsunami.

A shortage of fuel, disruption to rail and road transport have been reported from many affected areas, still recovering from the worst earthquake in 140 years, followed by a widespread tsunami that swept away so much.

JA1RL continues to operate under instruction to be an emergency traffic centre. Increasingly receiving help from JARL members in the affected area. It is using the 7 MHz, 144 MHz and 430 MHz.

Many other stations are active. Field stations are using various frequencies, including some battery powered and others using small generators.

Each is exchange rescue and disaster relief operation information with JA1RL and others.

While 3525, 7030, 7043 and 7075 have been mentioned as in use, it's wise to keep those, and all of the Centre of Emergency frequencies clear of normal and non-urgent traffic. There is no call for additional foreign radio amateurs.

I'm Jim Linton, VK3PC, Chairman of the IARU Region 3 Disaster Communications Committee reporting for the Amateur Radio Newsline.

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Again, there is no call for radio amateur's from the United States or any other nation to travel to Japan. There are over 130,000 hams in that nation and they have all of the operators that they need. More on this story in upcoming Newsline reports. (JARL, JA1CJP, VK3PC)

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RESCUE RADIO: A1 CLUB DX OF JAPAN SEEKS WORLD WIDE CLEAR EMCOMM FREQUENCIES

Meantime word from a group called A1 Club DX of Japan has issued a request that hams world-wide keep clear of several frequencies and blocks of frequencies that are being used for post quake and post tsunami relief efforts.

According to the note from club secretary JE1TRV, amateur radio operator are gathering and exchanging emergency information on a number of frequencies. On the H-F bands these are 3 dot 525 MHz+/-5KHz; 7 dot 030 MHz +/-5KHz; 14 dot 100 MHz +/-10KHz; 21.200 MHz+/-10KHz and 28.200 MHz +/10KHz. What this means is that hams should listen carefully in these spectral parcels before calling CQ for a contact.

While the frequencies on the VHF and UHF bands really are of little concern to hams outside the immediate disaster area, one never knows when a band opening might occur. So for reference sake, the needed clear channels are on these bands are 50.1, 51.000 and 51.500 MHz on 6 meters; 144.100M, 145.000M and 145.500 MHz on 2 meters and 430.1, 433.0 and 433.500 MHz in the 70 centimeter band.

Exactly what type of emergency communications was taking place was not spelled out in the A1 Club DX press release. (A1DX Club of Japan)

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QUAKE AFTERMATH: YAESU TEMPORARILY HALTS PRODUCTION AFTER QUAKE

The CQ on-line newsroom reports that production of Yaesu radios at Vertex Standard's factory in Fukushima, Japan, has been temporarily halted. This, due to earthquake damage at that plant.

In an open letter to the amateur radio community, Vertex Standard CEO and President Jun Hasegawa expressed his gratitude for the many "kind words and thoughts about us during this difficult time."

He reports that all Vertex Standard employees and their families are OK, although the company has not been able to reach its many dealers and subcontractors located near the coast.

"We just hope that they are alive," he writes.

Hasegawa also reports that the Yaesu factory in Fukushima suffered "minimal" damage from the earthquake but has been temporarily shut down nonetheless. He says he expects it to be back in normal operation within one to two weeks and asks for everyone's understanding and cooperation.

At this time, there have been no public reports received from any of the other Japanese amateur radio manufacturers.

The closure affects only the Fukushima factory. All others remain in operation. (CQ)

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QUAKE SCIENCE: THE POWER OF THE JAPAN QUAKE

And some stunning statistics about the awesome power of this earthquake. According to the British Broadcasting Company, experts they interviewed say that the massive shaker may have shifted Japan's main coastline by up to 13 feet to the east. This is based on the country's network of 1,200 GPS monitoring stations. The GeoNet GPS

network is the world's largest.

Also, the quake may have knocked the planet off its axis by about 6.5 inches. This says the BBC will cause the Earth to rotate a tiny bit faster and thereby shortening the day by about 1.8 millionths of a second.

The Japan Meteorological Agency has raised the quake's magnitude to 9 while the U.S. Geological Survey still has it rated at magnitude 8.9. The Japan Meteorological Agency has also officially named the tembler "The 2011 off the Pacific coast of Tohoku Earthquake." (BBC via Facebook)

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ENFORCEMENT: 14 ALLEGED PIRATES INDICTED IN ATTACK THAT KILLED THREE HAM OPERATORS

A federal grand jury has indicted 13 suspected pirates from Somalia and one from Yemen in the February hijacking of a yacht that left three American radio amateurs and one nonamateur dead. The United States Department of Justice say that the men face piracy, kidnapping and firearms charges stemming from their efforts to hold the Americans for ransom, according to the indictment.

As previously reported, Scott Adam, K9ESO, his wife Jean, KF6RVB, and Bob Riggle, KE7IIV, were murdered by the Somali pirates. Also killed with them was Phylis Macay. The four were onboard the Adam's owned yacht the Quest off the coast of Oman, East Africa, when pirates boarded their vessel on Friday, February 18. Officials were in the process of negotiating for their release when gunfire was heard around 1 AM on Tuesday, February 22. At that point United States Naval forces responded to the gunfire. Navy Seals then boarded the yacht only to discover that all four hostages had been shot by the pirates.

The Adams', who were retired, had been sailing on their 58foot yacht delivering Bibles around the world. The indictment says at least three of the indicted men shot and killed the four Americans without provocation. They died less than a week after a Somali pirate was sentenced to more than 33 years in prison by a New York court for the 2009 hijacking of the vessel the Maersk Alabama. That hijacking ended when Navy sharpshooters killed two pirates holding the ship's American captain.

This group of pirates is the latest to be brought to Norfolk to face charges stemming from attacks on ships off the cost of Africa. Last April, a federal grand jury indicted 11 in separate attacks on two U.S. Navy ships, the USS Ashland and the USS Nicholas. The Virginia-based ships were part of an international flotilla protecting shipping in the pirateinfested waters off Africa. (Published news reports)

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Break 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the VE6AFP and VE6JNT Repeater serving Edmonton, Alberta, Canada.

(5 sec pause here)

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ENFORCEMENT: CALIFORNIA CB'er ISSUED $7000 NAL FOR REFUSING FCC STATION INSPECTION

A California CB'er operator has been issued a $7000 Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture. In its March 10th release the FCC says that that Ira Jones who they identify as the owner and operator of a Citizens Band radio station in the city of Merced, apparently willfully and repeatedly violated section 303(n) of the Communications Act and section 95.426(a) of the Commission's rules by failing to permit inspection of the CB radio station. Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP, has the details:

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The story on this one began on March 19, 2010, agents from the Enforcement Bureau's San Francisco Office responded to a complaint regarding interference within the radio communication system equipment of the Merced County Fire Department. The agents observed that transmissions by a CB radio station on 27.165 MHz appeared to match the audio distortion received on the fire departments frequency of 154.4 MHz. The agents then monitored the transmissions on frequency 27.165 MHz and used radio direction finding techniques to locate the source of the signal associated with the interference to a CB radio station operating from Ira Jones's residence in Merced.

On March 26, 2010, agents from the San Francisco Office again monitored 27.165 MHz and used radio direction finding techniques to locate the source of the signal creating the audio rectification interference to a CB radio station operating from Jones's residence in Merced, California. Later the same day, the agents approached Jones's residence and attempted to conduct a station inspection. At that time they were denied access to Jones home and his C-B radio gear. The same thing happened when the agents accompanied by to Merced Police officers attempted a station inspection on August 27th.

And it did not end there. On September 1, 2010, the San Francisco FCC Office received another complaint from the Merced County Fire Department stating that Jones had resumed CB radio station operation at approximately 5:30 p.m.. Also that the interference within the Merced County Fire Department radio communication system equipment had also resumed. Now, almost a year after receiving its first complaint from the Merced Fire Department the FCC has issued Jones the $7000 Notice of Apparent Liability to Monetary Forfeiture. He was also warned that operation of his CB radio station with more power than authorized under the Part 95 rules could result in additional sanctions and monetary forfeitures.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP, reporting from Scottsdale, Arizona, from the Amateur Radio Newsline.

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Jones was given the customary 30 days to pay or to file an appeal. The FCC release did not say whether or not the Merced Fire Department is still receiving the alleged interference from Jones C-B station operation. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: CALIFORNIA UNLICENSED BROADCASTER ISSUED $25000 NAL

The FCC has also issued a $25,000 Notice of Apparent Liability to Monetary Forfeiture to a California resident identified as Gabriel Garcia. This for his alleged operation of an unlicensed station on various FM frequencies in the city of San Jose. Interference that the FCC says was to Federal Aviation Administration operations in that city. Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, is in our newsroom with this one:

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The case began in March 2010. That's when the FCC received a complaint from the Federal Aviation Administration about interference to the Aviation Services band from an unlicensed station on 92.9 MHz calling itself KNRG. FCC San Francisco field agents used RF direction-finding equipment to trace the source of the signal to a roof antenna at a San Jose residence. The agents took field-strength measurements and determined they were more than 1,957 times greater than the maximum permissible level for a non-licensed Part 15 transmitter and therefore required a license.

The FCC agents proceeded to inspect the station. During the inspection, the landlord identified Gabriel Garcia as the operator of the station. The FCC issued a Notice of Unlicensed Operation to Garcia, detailing penalties for continuing to operate the unlicensed station.

That May, the San Francisco field office received another complaint about an unlicensed station at 93.7 MHz in San Jose. The agents again traced the transmission to a different residence of Garcia. They again issued another Notice of Unlicensed Operation to Garcia.

In June 2010, the San Francisco field office received more complaints from the FAA about the KNRG station. Again it traced the signal to Garcia's residence and issued a third Notice of Unlicensed Operation to him. In July, the agents went through the same drill for an unlicensed operation on 104.3 MHz originating from another Garcia residence in San Jose. This time, the field agents saw Garcia leave and then return to the residence. They issued a fourth Notice of Unlicensed Operation to Garcia.

Now the FCC has made good to impose a penalty on Garcia's unlicensed radio operations by issuing him the $25,000 proposed fine. The base fine for operating an unlicensed station is $10,000. However the agency

found that Garcia operated on multiple frequencies, on multiple occasions. As such it found his behavior as being particularly egregious for conduct that apparently interfered with the FAA's Aviation Radio Services band. Based on this evidence, the commission fined him $25,000.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the Newsroom in Los Angeles.

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As is always the case, Garcia was given the usual 30 days to pay up or to file his appeal. Meantime, there's no word if Garcia has taken his station off the air of if its still in operation. Maybe one of our listens in San Jose can take a listen to the FM broadcast band and let us know. (FCC)

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RADIO JUSTICE: HAMS REPORTEDLY FOIL COPPER THIEVES

Ham radio appears to have foiled an attempt by copper thieves to do their illegal deed. This as a Paris, Texas, woman and Detroit man, along with three juveniles, were arrested by Paris police after stealing copper wiring from the old police and court building.

While details are sketchy Paris Police Department officers responded to a possible burglary call at the building after a person saw the suspects leave and followed them to Paris Iron and Metal. According to Matt Birch, public information officer for Paris Police Department they then reported what they knew to Paris Police who in turn collared the suspects.

More is on line at tinyurl.com/47tfrao (Via e-mail)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: 14th ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL LIGHTHOUSE AND LIGHTSHIP WEEKEND

The 14th annual Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend will be held as a fun event in the weekend of August 20th and 21st. Already 135 registrations have been received and it is on track to nudge last year's total of 447. Germany and Australia traditionally account for most entries and their enthusiasm shows again this year.

Of particular interest will be DA2011LH. This is a special event callsign at Campen Lighthouse. To inquire about the International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend visit the website at http://illw.net. (VK3PC)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: AUSTRIAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION TO OPERATE INTERNATIONAL MARCONI DAY

The Amateur Radio Section of the Austrian Broadcasting Corporation, in conjunction with the Documentary Archives Radio Communications QSL Collection will operate station O-E11-M from 0000 hours UTC on April 29th to 23:59 UTC on May 1st. O-E-11-M is an official International Marconi Day station and contacts made on April 30th are valid for the International Marconi Day Award. If you do work this station QSL via the O E bureau or direct to OE1WHC. (Southgate)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: EAA AIRVENTURE IN WISCONSIN IN JULY

And while its still ma bit down the road, the Fox Cities Amateur Radio Club Inc will operate July 27th to the 31st from EAA Airventure 2011.

Airventure is the largest air show and fly-in in the world held every year in Oshkosh Wisconsin. Special events station W9ZL will be on the air from 1500 to midnight UTC from the EAA grounds. Operation will use 7.250 and 14.250 on the H-F bands and 52.550 FM on 6 meters.

QSL with a large self addressed stamped envelope to FCARC AirVenture 2011, PO Box 2346, Appleton Wisconsin, 54912. (AB9AH)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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RESTRUCTURING: RUSSIAN FEDERATION ADOPTS CEPT LICENSING

It should soon be easier to use amateur radio gear while visiting the Russian Federation. This, following its decision to join the CEPT Radio Amateur License agreement.

At a recent meeting the Russian State Commission for Radio Frequencies, it was decided that the Russian Federation will accept CEPT Recommendation for the CEPT Radio Amateur License and the CEPT Novice permit. The commission plans to advise CEPT Working Group R A of its decision in the near future. Working Group R A will be meeting in May and September.

IARU Region 1 says that it considers this a major step forward to eventually permit worldwide radio amateur roaming. CEPT licensing means that all nations accepting this recommendation also accept any other signatory's ham license, subject to certain limitations as valid in those nations as well. (Press Release)

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HAM RADIO NEAR SPACE: MISSISSIPPI MIDDLE SCHOOL TO LAUNCH NEAR SPACE BALLOON

A group of students from Olde Towne Middle School in Ridgeland, Mississippi is preparing for a trip to space. Or at least as close as they can get.

The OTMS Radio and Technology Club, along with the school's Science Team, are planning a near-space balloon launch at 9 AM CDT on March 26th, conditions permitting.

The balloon -- nicknamed Titans in Space -- will use the call sign KC5NXD and is expected to reach an altitude of 94,825 feet. It will launch from the Madison County Career and Technology Center in Gluckstadt. Preflight will begin at 90 minutes before the scheduled launch. The preflight and launch will be stream-cast live on the Internet at www.ustream.tv/user/kc5nxd. You can also follow along on Twitter.

The project is led by Bill Richardson, N5VEI. He is encouraging radio amateurs to follow the balloon via APRS on 144.39 MHz, on http://aprs.fi with the call sign kc5nxd-11 and via a 2 meter voice beacon on 146.565 MHz. A 20 meter beacon at 14.079 or 14.080.5 MHz will offer telemetry as well. According to Richardson, the group will be using a special balloon-modified version of FLdigi, called dl FLdigi. Ground stations wanting to receive the balloon's telemetry using the program and a sound card interface can find the software can find it free at www.w1hkj.com (ARRL, Southgate, Others)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: TWIN FASTRAC SATELLITES COMMANDED TO SEPARATE

Sebastian Munoz, KE5FKV, the FASTRAC Student Program Manager reports that the two amateur Radio FASTRAC AX.25 satellites have successfully separated in space. According to Munoz, on Monday, March 14th, a command was sent to the two birds to have them part ways. They did just that and are now in autonomous operation.

Munoz adds that FASTRAC 1 nick named "Sara Lily" has its Beacon on 437.345 MHz FM using AX.25 at 1200 bits per second. FASTRAC 2 also known as "Emma" has its Beacon on 145.825 MHz FM also running AX.25 protocol at 1200 bits per second. More on both birds is on-line at tinyurl.com/25sykwb (Southgate)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: TWO MORE ASTRONAUTS PASS THEIR AMATEUR EXAM

Two more Astronauts are now licensed radio amateurs. According to AMSAT, Luca Parmitano, who is slated to fly on Expedition 36 and Chris Cassidy who is assigned Expedition 35 both passed their amateur radio license exams on March 8th.

On March 9th, Michael Hopkins completed his ARISS introductory course and is currently preparing for his amateur radio license exam. Hopkins is slated to fly with Expedition 37 in September of 2013.

Lastly, an ARISS refresher course was provided to Chris Hadfield, KC5RNJ/VA3OOG on March 11. Hadfield is currently scheduled for Expedition 34 in November of 2012. (AMSAT)

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WORLDBEAT: LUXEMBOURG INAUGURATES NEW 60 METER BEACON

A new 60 meter beacon is on the air in Luxembourg. Operating with the callsign LX0HF its reportedly has been putting a good signal into the United Kingdom and other parts of Europe.

LX0HF operates on a frequency of 5 dot 205 dot 25 kHz. It is understood that the contact for the beacon is LX2A or LX7I of the Luxembourg Amateur Radio Society. (Southgate)

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DX

In DX, UA0SC, UA0SE, UA0SW and RZ0SR will be active portable 6W from Senegal through March 28th. QSL via the operator's home callsign unless you work them using the call 6V7D during the Russia DX Contest on March 19-20th and the CQ WPX SSB Contest from March 26-27th. QSL for those contacts go only to UA0SE.

VE3DZ is on the air from Barbados as 8P9AA through March 29th. Activity is on all HF bands using CW, SSB and RTTY. He is expected to be in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest as 8P3A. QSL both callsigns via VE3DZ.

Lastly, 11 year old Y-L operator JF1VGZ along with JA1MFR will be active as KH7ERI and WN1Y portable KH0 from Saipan between March 25th and the 29th. QSL via JF1VGZ direct. Also, check out their Web page at www.qrz.com/db/kh7eri

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: A FEW IMPORTANT WORDS ABOUT HR-607 FROM THE ARRL

And finally this week, the ARRL has released a new video that urges its members to respond to their Congressional representatives in opposition to H-R 607. This is a measure now in committee that if passed as written would lead to the demise of most of the amateur 70 centimeter ham band as we know it today.

As we said, the ARRL has directed this video message to its members but in reality every ham in the United States and its possessions will be affected if HR-607 is passed into law as written. While we have no way to bring you the video portion of this message we can give you the audio. It runs three minutes and is perhaps the most important three

minute message ever issued by the league. Here with it is ARRL Chief Development Officer Mary Hobart, K1MMH:

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"In February, Congressman Peter King of New York Chairman of the House Homeland Security Committee, introduced H.R. 607, called the "Broadband for First Responders Act of 2011." It has been referred to the House Energy and Commerce Committee

"The bill would create a nationwide Public Safety broadband network. As part of that network, the Bill provides for the allocation of the so-called "D-Block" of spectrum in the 700 MHz range for Public Safety use. These are part of the old UHF television frequencies no longer in use.

"We have no problem with that. But the bill also includes other frequencies that are to be taken and sold to commercial users. The bands to be sold at auction include the paired frequencies of 420-440 MHz and 450-470 MHz.

"420 to 440 Mhz is most of our amateur 70-cm band, It is one of the primary bands used by Amateur Radio operators. And this is a major problem.

"This band is already used by hundreds of thousands of handytalkies, thousands of Amateur Radio Emergency Service volunteers, severe weather spotters, weak signal operations, thousands of repeater systems, mobile operators Amateur Radio satellite communications, radio location beacons, amateur radio's nationwide system of digital and text communications, and more.

"This band is not just used for hobby activity, But used in the development of new radio technologies. And very important in continuing to meet our promises to provide communications for emergency groups with whom we have formal agreements.

"The National Public Telecommunications Council shares our concern and believes that the bill needs to be amended.

"420 to 440 MHz is already being heavily used for public service operations - by Amateur Radio operators. While the ARRL obviously supports the work of Public Safety organizations we vigorously oppose HR 607 in its present form. As it is written HR 607 is a direct threat to our limited spectrum and we encourage ARRL members to voice your opposition to this bill

"Here's how you can help. Write a letter for your congressional representative, but send it to ARRL's legislative consultants Chwat & Co. They will collect and hand-deliver your letter along with our message. You can find a sample letter, the name of your representative and where to send it for hand delivery, to be sure it gets to them, at http://www.arrl.org/sample-letter.

"Also please consider donating to the ARRL Spectrum Defense Fund. Our Amateur Radio frequencies are precious. We can't afford to have them taken away and sold at auctions. It's the donations from hams who care about preserving our frequencies that make our vigilance and defense of our bands possible.

"Don't just talk about it - do it. And please do it now."

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According to one source, much of the credit for this new video goes to Al Petrunti, KA1TCH, of NewDay HD and video editor and graphics designer Kevin O'Dell, N0IRW. To view the video as well as hearing the audio, please take your web browser to tinyurl.com/607video. (Various)

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 20th March 2011

The news headlines:

* News from Japan

* G4FSU appointed as HF Manager

* GB4FUN supporter, silent key

After the 8.9 earthquake that struck near Sendai, Japan at 0546UTC on 11 March, Japan has been rocked by tsunamis and power outages caused by trouble at a nuclear power station. Some 55,380 houses/buildings were damaged by the earthquake and 3,000 houses washed away by the tsunami. The RSGB has sent a message of support to the JARL who, although based in Tokyo, has still felt the quakes but has suffered no damage. Sadly, the Yaesu factory in Fukushima has been damaged. Thankfully, no staff were injured, although it will take a week or two to get the factory up and running as it is just 60km from the nuclear power station. Sadly, many of the subcontractors used by several of the manufacturers in Japan are based near the coast; it is unclear what has happened to these businesses. The Japan Amateur Radio League HQ station, JA1RL, along with other amateurs throughout the island nation, is maintaining the effort to support the disaster relief operation. JA1RL continues to operate as an emergency traffic centre on 7.030MHz as well as 2 metres and 70cm. While 3.525, 7.030, 7.043 and 7.075MHz have been mentioned as in use, it's wise to keep those and all of the Centre of Emergency frequencies clear of normal and non-urgent traffic. In less damaged areas, the electric power supply is being restored gradually and local amateurs have started to establish stations at shelters. Our thoughts are with all those affected by this situation.

Following the decision by John, G3WKL to step down as HF Manager and the post being advertised in RadCom, the Board has approved the appointment of Ian Greenshields, G4FSU to this honorary position. Apart from a having a very successful career as an RF and microwave communications engineer, Ian is well versed in radio spectrum matters. This is on account of his role, since 2005, of Secretary to the IARU Region 1 HF Committee. Recently, the IARU has appointed him as a Technical Consultant that will require regular involvement in ITU and CEPT matters. Ian's other amateur radio interests include managing the speaker programme for the HF Convention between 2003 and 2009, and HF DXing and contesting.

The RSGB has been saddened to hear of the death of Waters & Stanton's long time service engineer Michael Wheaton, G4ZPE. Michael, known as ZIPY, was a larger than life character who was involved in amateur radio for many years. He was involved in the fitting out of GB4FUN Mark 1 and gave much of his time to stripping the vehicle when the current GB4FUN was commissioned. Those involved with the GB4FUN project remember Michael as a true gentleman and outstanding man who always assisted with kit and repairs for GB4FUN. Our condolences to his family, he will be sorely missed by all his friends, RSGB staff and work colleagues at Waters & Stanton. Unfortunately, due to circumstances beyond our control, the posting of the April RadCom has been delayed. Copies will go into the post on 21 March, for delivery around 25 March. Our apologies for the inconvenience to Members.

There is a reunion of ex-members of the Radio Security Service on Sunday 17 April in the Mansion at Bletchley Park. It will include an illustrated lecture on how radio amateurs helped to win the war. More than a thousand amateur volunteers listened on the short wave bands, in secret in their own homes, for illicit signals in the UK. What they uncovered were the transmitters of the German Secret Service operating all over Europe and beyond. Beside penetrating the most secret aspects of the service they also learnt about spies sent here, some of whom were 'turned' to work under the supervision of radio amateurs, notably Ronnie Reed, G2RX. More can be learned at http://secretlisteners.org.

Early notice now of an event that may be of interest to UK Intermediate students and any keen home brew enthusiast. The Torbay Amateur Radio Society will be hosting a Buildathon on Sunday 5 June in Newton Abbot, Devon. The project will be a 'Manhatten-style' 40m Sudden receiver with VFO by G3RJV. The Bath Buildathon crew will be providing tools and test equipment, assisting and mentoring any student who needs guidance. Enquiries to Pam Halliwell via the Torbay ARS website www.tars.org.uk/.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

The 27th Yeovil QRP Convention will take place today, 20 March, in Digby Hall, Hound Street, Sherborne, Dorset DT9 3AA. The venue is adjoining the central shopping car park. Doors open at 9.30am and talk-in is provided on S22. There will be trade stands, lectures and a Bring & Buy. CP, TS, LEC, B&B, C, DIS. Contact Derek, M0WOB, 01935 414 452.

For an unusual day, the Northern Ireland Bunker will be open to the public on Saturday 26 March from 11am till 4pm, at 60 Derrylettiff Road, Portadown. This bunker has been restored by Allistair, 2I0ROC. More details can be found at www.nibunker.co.uk or by contacting Allistair on 0792 116 7775.

The Spring Militaria & Electronics & Radio Amateur Hangar Sale will take place on 27 March at the Hack Green Secret Nuclear Bunker, Nantwich, Cheshire, CW5 8AP. Doors open at 10am and admission is £2.50. Visitors will find civil, military and vintage radio equipment plus vehicle spares and more. Contact Rod Siebert on 01270 623353.

Now for the news of special events

The Humber Fortress DX Amateur Radio Club will be putting GB0BB on the air again today, 20 March, from Fort Paull in East Yorkshire. The station will celebrate the 6th anniversary of the Blackburn Beverley XB259 aircraft. Operators and guests are welcome. See qrz.com for details of the event.

John Taylor, G3OWO is celebrating his 50 years in radio communication with GB5OWO. He will be active on all bands from 160m to 70cm from his home in Preston, Lancashire until 28 March. John will be using as many modes as possible with the emphasis on PSK31 & CW. More information and photographs can be found on QRZ.com. Until 3 April, GB8HBW and GB0CMR will be on the air celebrating 85 years of Hospital Radio in the UK. GB8HBW will be operating in the Newbury area and GB0CMR is in Hinckley for Castle Mead Radio.

On 21 March, the Namibian Amateur Radio League celebrate its 21st birthday. At the same time Namibia will celebrate 21 years of its own independence. To commemorate these two events the NARL has been issued the special event callsign V521NAM. All amateurs in Namibia are allowed to use the special event callsign on 19 to 21 March but they will be required to send in their logs so the NARL QSL Bureau can send out special QSL cards to all worked stations. All incoming QSL's should be via sent via the bureau or electronically using e-qsl. More on this special event operation is on the web at www.qsl.net/narl. (NARL)

North Cork Radio Group will be active EI1NC/P from the Old Governors House at Cork City Gaol and Radio Museum on 20 March. The Gaol houses the restored 6CK radio broadcast studio in addition to an audio visual dedicated to Marconi and his Irish connections along with a wide collection of nostalgic artefacts from the golden age of Irish radio.

Paul Robinson 2E1EUB will be active on the amateur radio satellites from Scotland signing 2M1EUB/P for a week starting Sunday, March 20. He will be operating from his van that he's spent all winter setting-up. Weather permitting he hopes to be on the mountains rather than below them. He will start from grid square IO87RJ in East Scotland and will be travelling around the surrounding area. More information on QRZ.com.

And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

VE3ZIK will be once again active portable 9A from Croatia until 30 March. He also plans to be active in the Russian DX Contest, the CQ WPX SSB Contest and mentions that there is a good chance he will be on from Vrana Lake as well. QSL via DK8ZZ, via the bureau, Logbook of the World, eQSL or direct. E-mail Bureau requests for QSLs can go to ve3zik@gmail.com.

A0SC, UA0SE, UA0SW and RZ0SR will be working from Senegal until 28 March. During RDXC and WPX contests they will be active as 6V7D. Before and after they will use 6W/home calls. They will be working on all HF bands and all modes. QSL for 6V7D via UA0SE otherwise, QSL via their home callsigns.

Joe, 9N7WL, Ernst, 9N7AN, Georg, DL4SVA and Franz, DL9GFB plan to be active from Nepal in a period stretching from mid-March to early-April 2011. Beginning 16 March, Ernst, 9N7AN will commence solo activity from Kathmandu, with the main part of the DXpedition starting on 26 March once the rest of the team arrive in Nepal. They will operate all bands/modes until 8 April.

Kevan, 2E0WMG and Jonathan,G0DVJ will be on the air from Lundy Island from 21 to 26 March. For QSL details see QRZ.com. Stefan, DL7AOS will be active as 5P5K from Roemoe Island from 20 March until 1 April. He will work in holiday style mainly in SSB on the usual IOTA frequencies. QSL via his home callsign either via the bureau or direct.

Now the contest news

On 22 March, the 50MHz UK Activity Contest takes place from 2000 to 2230UTC. Using all modes, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator. Also on 22 March, the SHF UK Activity Contest takes place between 2000 and 2230UTC. Using all modes the on the 2.3 to 10GHz bands, the signal report is signal report, serial number and locator. On 24 March, the SSB leg of the 80m Club Championships takes place between 2000 and 2130UTC. The exchange is signal report and serial number. Next weekend, 26 and 27 March, the CQWW WPX SSB contest takes place between 0000 and 2359UTC. On the 1.8 to 28MHz bands, the exchange is signal report and serial number.

And now the solar factual data for the period from the 7th to the 13th of March, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on the 14th of March.

Four hundred years ago on the 9th of March 1611, a German student named Johannes Fabricius spotted black spots on the sun's surface through his newly invented telescope. Though he was not the first to observe sunspots, he was the first to publish a scientific paper on the subject several months later. This publication opened a door to four more centuries of solar research, which is still ongoing. He wrote, "Several weeks of observations suggested that neither clouds nor planets nor stars caused the dark spots on the sun." He came to the conclusion that the spots were a phenomenon of the sun itself and that they moved in the same direction at a fairly constant speed, disappearing off one edge and reappearing approximately two weeks later on the other. Johannes Fabricius unfortunately died in 1616 at the young age of 29, so he barely saw even the early stages of sunspot research. But four centuries after his sighting, the legacy of the sunspot mystery he discovered lives on.

Solar activity was high on the 7th, 8th and the 9th. On the remaining days, activity was moderate except for the 11th and the 13th that were low. The largest solar flare of the period was an X1 on the 9th. Eighteen M class solar flares took place along with numerous C class solar flares. The solar disc for the first few days was dominated by four large sunspot groups but this reduced to two by the end of the period. Solar flux levels increased to peak at 155 units on the 8th, the highest level since July 2004. Levels then declined to 113 by the

13th. The average was 134 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 13th was 93, that's three units up on last week. X-ray flux levels started the period at C1.7 units but declined everyday to B3.8 by the 13th. The average was B8.3 units. Geomagnetic activity started at quiet levels but at around 0600 on the 10th the arrival of a magnetic disturbance was detected at the ACE spacecraft. This first storm seems to be related to a coronal mass ejection from a large solar flare that took place on the 7th. The Ap index was 20 units. Following on from this, a coronal hole disturbance arrived the next day and the Ap index on the 11th was 40 units. This disturbance continued into the next day when the Ap was 13 units. The average was Ap 14 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds increase from 320 kilometres per second on the 8th to 600 by the morning of the 12th. Particle densities were low except for the 10th and the 11th when an increase to 22 particles per cubic centimetre occurred. Bz on the quiet days varied between minus 6 and plus 3 nanoTeslas. During the 11th variations to minus 13 and plus 12 nanoTeslas took place. Interestingly, the Bz remained negative from 0500 on the 7th to 0230 on the 9th, that's a continuous 45 and a half hours. The magnetic field was weak so no aurora occurred.

And now the solar forecast. During this present increase in solar activity, one of the largest regions is due to return into view around the middle of this week. Therefore, solar activity could increase as the week progresses. Obviously, much will depend on how active this region is on its return. Solar flux levels should also increase and could be up to the 120's. Provided that no coronal mass ejections heads our way then geomagnetic activity is expected to be quiet for most of the week. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 24MHz for the south and 21MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be about 10MHz. Paths this week to Australia should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 27MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 21MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 0800 and 1200 hours.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your

transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS On Monday 21 March, Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is having a talk and demonstration by Martin, G4ENZ

on the Perseus Software Defined Radio. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548478, daytime.

On Monday 21 March, Leicester Radio Society is holding a committee meeting and night on the air. Contact Alex, G8FCQ, on 0753 120 1640.

On Monday 21 March, South Birmingham Radio Society is having a committee meeting. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Monday 21 March, South Normanton Alfreton & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on EMC by Don Beattie, G3BJ. Details from A Lawrence, 2E0BQS, by email to adylawri@btinternet.com.

On Monday 21 March, Welland Vallet Amateur Radio Society is having a talk and demonstration of Bonito Software. Details from Peter River, G4XEX on 01858 432105.

On Tuesday 22 March, Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is holding the club's annual general meeting. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 22 March, Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on What keeps your lights on by George, G4EUF. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Wednesday 23 March, Hinckley Amateur Radio Society is having club member mini talks. Details from John, M0JAV, on 07836 731544.

On Wednesday 23 March, Lincoln Short-Wave Club is having a talk on software defined radio by John Roger, M0JAV. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

On Wednesday 23 March, March Midland Amateur Radio Society is planning for the 80th anniversary in June as well as continuing the training classes. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 01214 229 787.

On Wednesday 23 March, Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a 2m DF evening, bring along your kit and get it checked out . Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677. On Thursday 24 March South Birmingham Radio Society is holding training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Friday 25 March Coventry Amateur Radio Society is having a President's Night. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777363.

On Friday 25 March Hucknall Rolls Royce Amateur Radio Club is having a general club meeting. More information from Dave Wilde, G1YAI, on 0844 4355593.

On Friday 25 March Lincoln Short-Wave Club is taking part in the CQWW WWPX contest over the whole weekend. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

On Friday 25 March Nunsfield House Amateur Radio Group is working on its RSGB project. Details from Ken Frankcom, G3OCA, on 01332 720976.

On Friday 25 March South Birmingham Radio Society is having a construction evening. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Saturday 26 March Lincoln Short-Wave Club is putting G5FZ on the air and working around the shack. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND On Monday 21 March Macclesfield & District Radio Society is looking at forthcoming practical projects. More information from Roger Bell, M0GMG, on 0771 258 9163.

On Monday 21 March Scarborough Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on the experiences gained on the contruction of a K2 Elecraft transceiver by Robert Clutson, G0WHO. Details from Jerry Scarr, G6LBL, on 01751 476601.

On Monday 21 March Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is holding a mini flea market & quiz night. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 21 March Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on the NARSA rally. Details on the web at www.tcars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 22 March Chester & District Amateur Radio Society is having a familiarisation evening on the K3 transceiver at Burley Hall. Details from Barbara Green on 07957 870770.

On Tuesday 22 March Otley Amateur Radio Society is taking part in the 50MHz UK Activity contest with callsign G3XNO and holding a natter night. Contact Paul, 2E0PAK, on 07768 996370.

On Wednesday 23 March Denby Dale Radio Club is having a talk on QRP by George Dobbs, G3RJV. Note this will be held at Shelley Cricket Club, HD8 8HN. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220126. On Wednesday 23 March Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on DF theory. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240573.

On Wednesday 23 March Mid-Cheshire Amateur Radio Society is having a short talk by G8SIG. Contact Peter Paul Fox, G8HAV, on 01606 553401.

On Thursday 24 March, Grimsby Amateur Radio Society is having a club night. More details from Cliff, G4YHP on 01472 328 830.

On Thursday 24 March Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club night on the air. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 0787 608 5631.

On Thursday 24 March South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having an equinox junk sale. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 0161 969 3999.

On Friday 25 March East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is having a night on the air. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND Mid Ulster Amateur radio club will be holding a Foundation course in April over one weekend. For anyone interested in getting a foot on the amateur ladder, registration is on Friday 25

March between 7 and 8.30pm at the Place Initative, Ardress Park, Portadown, BT62 3TP. For more information, check out www.muarc.com or contact Martin, MI0YMF on 02838852712. Please note you must attend the registration to take part in the course.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND The Livingston and District Amateur Radio Society will be holding a Foundation level examination at the Crofthead Farm Community Education Centre, Livingston on Tuesday 12 April at 7:30pm. Candidates must register by 29 March at the latest. Contact Norman Stewart on 07740 946192 for further details.

On Tuesday 22 March Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having a Morse code practice evening. Details from Norman, on 07740 946192.

On Wednesday 23 March, Ayr Amateur Radio Group is having a presentation on garden aerials. More details from Tom Ferguson, GM1OST on 01292 532 088.

On Wednesday 23 March, Lothians Radio Society is having a talk on Expedition Senegal by Tom Wylie, GM4FDM. Details from Andy Sinclair by e-mail to lrs_secretary@moosedata.com.

On Wednesday 23 March West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society is working on homebrew projects & licence training. More information from Fred Coombes, 2M0BIN, on 01415 715512.

On Thursday 24 March Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is having a surprise talk. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663. On Friday 25 March West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society is having presentations, guest speakers, a quiz and a raffle. More information from Fred Coombes, 2M0BIN, on 01415 715512.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA Listeners in the London area who received the East London 2 metre Sunday evening reading will be aware that this was discontinued some months ago due to a lack of volunteer readers. The RSGB is pleased to announce that two have now come forward. Starting this Sunday, 20th March, Steve, 2E0SPW in Chislehurst and Steve, G0TDJ in Crayford will be teaming up to read the news at 19.00 hours on 145.525MHz to serve the Kent and London areas. Furthermore, they will provide a second reading for 70cm listeners at 20.00 hours via the Bromley repeater GB3OK that has its output on 430.900MHz. Up until now there have been few readings on Sunday evenings in the South East, and it is expected that the coverage will extend over a wide area. The two Steves will appreciate reception reports during their after-news nets. At a later date it may be possible to put out the transmissions on both bands at the same time.

On Monday 21 March, Braintree & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a construction evening. Details from John, M5AJB on 01787 460 947.

On Monday 21 March, Burnham Beeches Radio Club is having a code cracking evening with Ian, M1FHU. More information from Dave, G4XDU on 01628 625 720.

On Monday 21 March, Felixstowe & District Amateur Radio Society is holding their annual general meeting. More information from Paul, G4YQC, by e-mail to pjw@btinternet.com.

On Monday 21 March, Surrey Radio Contact Club is holding a fix-it, advice, chin wag and move it on evening. Details from John, G3MCX on 020 8688 3322.

On Tuesday 22 March Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is having a club net night. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Tuesday 22 March, Dorking & District Radio Society is holding an evening looking at home construction techniques with Bob Burns, G3OUU. More information from Garth, G3NPC on 01737 359472.

On Tuesday 22 March, Harwell Amateur Radio Society will hold a shack activity night. Details from Malcolm, G8NRP on 01235 524844.

On Tuesday 22 March, Horndean & District Amateur Radio Club has Ronald Hewlett, G3UKU looking at a signal level project. More information from Stuart, G0FYX on 023 9247 2846.

On Wednesday 23 March Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is having a night on the air with CW practice. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday 23 March, Hastings Electronics & Radio Club is having a talk on the career of a merchant navy radio electronics officer in the 1970s and 1980s by Tim, G4EOA. Details from Gordon on 01424 431 909. On Wednesday 23 March Havering & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on Yaesu Communications - Amateur and Marine Products by Paul Bigwood. Details from John, M0UKD, on 07890 222111.

On Wednesday 23 March, Newbury & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by Richard, G3ZGC on his experiences of life at sea centred around the radio side. More infroamtion from Rob, G3LMW on 01635 862737.

On Wednesday 23 March Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on The RSGB what it can do for you by the President of the RSGB, Dave Wilson, M0OBW. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898678.

On Wednesday 23 March Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is having a discussion evening. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816684.

On Thursday 24 March, Echelford Amateur Radio Society is holding a Bring & Buy and natter night. Details from John, G4GSC on 01784 451898.

On Thursday 24 March, Edgware & District Radio Society is holding a round table discussion in defence of DAB led by John, G3SJE. Contact Mike, G4RNW on 020 8950 0658.

On Thursday 24 March King's Lynn Amateur Radio Club is having a club night and 2m club net. Contact Ray, G3RSV, by email to ral-g3rsv@supanet.com.

On Thursday 24 March, Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a night in the shack. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL on 01502 564242.

On Thursday 24 March Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the RSGB SSB Club Contest. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898678.

On Thursday 24 March, Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a discussion on the club project with Richard, G3NII. Details from David, G8UOD, on 01234 742 757.

On Friday 25 March Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having a discussion evening asking is your equipment earthed. Details from Ron, G3KBR, on 01223 501712.

On Friday 25 March, Loughton & Epping Forest ARS is having a night on the air. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC on 020 8502 1645

On Friday 25 March Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a radio night. Contact Peter, G4AKG, on 01444 239371.

On Friday 25 March, Waterlooville Amateur Radio Club is holding the EGM. Details from Rich, G4IBW on 0239 268 0852.

On Friday 25 March, Wimbledon & District Amateur Radio Society is having an evening on radio topics with Andres, G4ADM. Details from Andrew Maish, G4ADM on 020 8335 3434.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST On Sunday 20 March, Yeovil Amateur Radio Club is holding the QRP Convention in Digby Hall, Yeovil. Details from Steve Crask, G7AHP by e-mail to steve@g7ahp.co.uk. On Monday 21 March, Appledore & District Amateur Radio Club is holding the AGM. More information from Brian Jewell, M0BRB on 01237 473251.

On Wednesday 23 March Cornish Radio Amateur Club is running its Foundation course. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844939.

On Wednesday 23 March Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is having a night on the air. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417048.

On Thursday 24 March Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having a club talk. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317750.

On Thursday 24 March Yeovil Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on my kite aerial by M0WOB. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk.

On Friday 25 March North Bristol Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on railways and signals by Paul, G8YMM. Contact Dick, on 01454 218362.

On Friday 25 March Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a presentation night with buffet. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES On Monday 21 March Dragon Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on SOTA and Mountain Rescue' by members of the Aberglaslyn Mountain Rescue Team. More information from Stewart Rolfe, GW0ETF, on 07833 620733.

On Monday 21 March Llanelli Amateur Radio Society is having a social evening. Contact Craig, MW0MXT, on 01269 840292.

On Thursday 24 March, Marches Amateur Radio Society is having a night on the air. Details from Dave MW0AYM on 01691 777242.

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-19 19:00:14 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <20110319190006.3DF4D33C57@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4727
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 20 MARCH 2011

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'ARMI' and follow the links for details. PLEASE NOTE: for audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail. Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 and 3,695 MHz SSB.

In the news today

NEW AMATEUR RADIO REGULATIONS IMMINENT

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SA AMSAT SPACE SYMPOSIUM FINAL PROGRAMME NOW ON THE WEB

THREE SABS SUB-COMMITTEES TO DEAL WITH ASPECTS OF COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting news items.

NEW AMATEUR RADIO REGULATIONS IMMINENT

According SARL's contact at ICASA, the ICASA Council is expected to approve the final regulations at its meeting on Wednesday. This means that the new regulations and the table of amateur radio frequency allocations could be gazetted coming Friday or the week after. Which of the SARL recommendations discussed at the public hearing have been incorporated remains unknown. The SARL's request for information was declined.

RUSSIAN FEDERATION ADOPTS CEPT LICENSING

Following on a decision by the Russian State Commission for Radio Frequencies to join the CEPT Radio Amateur License agreement, it should soon be easier to use amateur radio gear while visiting the Russian Federation.

The commission plans to advise CEPT Working Group R A of its decision in the near future. Working Group R A will be meeting in May and

September. IARU Region 1 says that it considers this a major step forward to eventually permit worldwide radio amateur roaming. CEPT licensing means that all nations accepting this recommendation also accept any other signatory's amateur radio license, subject to certain limitations as valid in those nations as well. South Africa is a signatory to the CEPT agreement and on publication of new radio regulations, will return to full reciprocity.

SA AMSAT SPACE SYMPOSIUM FINAL PROGRAMME NOW ON THE WEB

Could South Africa soon have its own satellite launch facilities? Two new amateur satellites to be designed and built in South Africa, receiver design for the SKA leads in world technology and RaDAR- Rapid Deployed Amateur Radio- are just four of the many presentations at the 2011 SA AMSAT Space Symposium to be held on Saturday 2 April 2011 at Talk 100 Auditorium at Vodaworld in Midrand.

The symposium provides a platform for discussion and interaction on various aspects of Space for both the professional and hobbyists who have an interest in the many fascinating aspects of space activities. The symposium will be opened by Dr Sandile Malinga, the CEO of the recently established South African National Space Agency (SANSA) with a key note address.

To register for the Symposium visit www.amsatsa.org.za for details and the registration form. The cost is R300 if booked before 26 March, after that R350. Students can register for R275. The fee includes lunch and refreshments.

THREE SABS SUB-COMMITTEES TO DEAL WITH ASPECTS OF COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY

The SABS technical committee 74 (TC74) has established three sub-committees which have be tasked with the development and approval of communication equipment standards. Of main interest for Amateur Radio is committee TC74D which is tasked with standards for communication systems utilising the electromagnetic spectrum. TC 74 will remain the oversight committee.

On the PLC front, ESKOM is considering the use of power line communication in the frequency range up to 500 kHz for remote network management and metering. Members of the TC62, TC73, TC74 and TC80 will soon meet to discuss the process to be used to establish a standard. The issue of Broadband PLT is currently being handled by a joint workgroup of TC73 and TC80. This workgroup, designated WG6, is chaired by the SARL representative, Hans van de Groenendaal, ZS6AKV. It is not likely that the Broadband PLT work will move to the group considering the low frequency PLC.

The term PLC and PLT are confusing. ICASA uses PLT for the broadband application while the power utilities refer to it as PLC. The principal of operation is the same just the frequency of operation differs.

Low frequency PLC does not pose a material threat to amateur radio while the high frequency version could potentially create havoc on the HF bands. Final regulations are still awaiting review by the ICASA Council. Although the draft regulations do not include the notching of Amateur frequencies there are acceptable mitigation rules in place should radio amateurs experience interference from PLT.

CHANGES ON THE SARL COUNCIL

Louw Erasmus, ZS6LME, has resigned from Council and has withdrawn his nomination for election on the 2010/2011 Council. SARL President, Dennis Green, informing Council of Louw's resignation at the Strategic Indaba held last weekend, extended his thanks to Louw for his contribution to the SARL and amateur radio and wished him well for the future.

AGM DOCUMENTATION

The Annual General meeting of the SARL will be held during the National Convention on Saturday 16 April 2011. The Agenda, financial reports and other AGM documents are now available for download from the member's only section of www.sarl.org.za. Select the members only button on the top right hand of the home page and enter your P.I.N.

CONTEST NEWS

The final results of the SARL Digital Contest held on the 27th February is as follows:

1st ZS6A 494 points 2nd ZS6GRL 443 points 3rd ZS6WR 335 points 4th ZS6AKU 312 points 5th ZS2I 264 points

The winner of the Lucky Draw prize is Peter Roos, ZS6PGR.

Congratulations to all the winners.

The full results will be published in HF Happenings.

HAMNET SIMULATED EMERGENCY CONTEST 6TH MARCH, 2011-03-18.

Nineteen logs and one check log were received.

Scores are as follows:

Singe Operator Stationary Mobile: ZS4N, 1 896 points ZR4DEF, 1 030 points ZS6AGF, 630 points ZS4BS, 228 points

Single operator Base Station: ZS5ML, 1 320 points ZS2A ,1 260 points ZS6YH ,1 200 points ZS6ADY, 1 100 points ZS5DU, 1 072 points ZS6ARQ ,1 005 points ZS2J, 882 points ZS6JDV, 780 points ZS6NJV, 465 points ZS4TW, 370 points ZS2EC, 350 points ZR6MS, 330 points ZR6DHC, 144 points

Single Operator Portable ZS2U, 738 points ZS6BNE, 396 points

There were no multi-operator portable entries.

Winner of the lucky draw is ZS2A.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is at moderate levels. Departing sunspot 1 169 erupted during the late hours of March 16th and hurled a spectacular coronal mass ejection (CME) over the sun's western limb. New sunspot 1 173 was numbered on Wednesday and is located in the southern hemisphere. This region is not yet capable of producing strong solar flares. The effective sunspot number is expected to be around 30 for the coming week.

15 m will provide the best opportunities for DX followed by 20. With the higher sunspot activity 10 m will also open from time to time. Conditions to India will be good from the afternoon till after sunset. During the late afternoons conditions will be good towards Europa. Good contacts with the USA are possible during the evening. Contacts with Australia are possible on 20 m after sunset. Openings to Brazil and South America are possible during the afternoons. With the good 15 and 20 m openings 17 m will also be full of surprises.

For the CW and digital enthusiasts 30 m may be very rewarding with openings to many parts of the world.

Locally is 40 m the work horse for contacts around the country with 20 and 30-m also being very useful for contacts over the longer distances. 80 m will be best during the early mornings and late afternoons as well as over the shorter distances.

80 m is the frequency of choice during the evenings.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS 20 March - SARL VHF/UHF analogue and digital contest still on the go and finishes at 12:00 CAT today. 25 March - SAiSAT briefing session at the NARC. 2 April - SA AMSAT Space Symposium at Vodaworld, book at www.amsatsa.org.za. 15-16 April - SARL National Convention at Vaal University for Technology.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 560 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'ARMI' and follow the links. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 22:05 CAT on 3 215 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by George, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening, 73.
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========== Message Ends ========== To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp.

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-20 05:02:32 UTC
From: jamiepye <jamie.pye@pyenet.co.nz>
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IARU Region 3: First Week of Japan Disaster
JARL HQ station JA1RL and other amateur stations are maintaining the effort to support disaster relief operation which is being captured by audio and vision.

IARU Region 3 Secretary, Ken Yamamoto JA1CJP said, "In less damaged areas, the power supply is being restored gradually and local amateur radio club members have started to establish stations at shelters either on HF, VHF or UHF bands."

Ken Yamamoto said, "The radio amateurs in the affected areas are also making use of UHF repeaters for communications between shelters and local disaster relief centres. According to reports from the shelters, they are generally shortages of food, drinking water, fuel and medical goods. This is mainly due to difficulty of transportation because of road situation and staff shortage."

He said "JA1RL continues to operate under instruction to be an emergency traffic centre. Using the 7 MHz, 144 MHz and 430 MHz bands it is receiving help from JARL members in the affected areas. Field stations are using various frequencies, including some battery powered and others using small generators. Each is exchanging rescue and disaster relief operation information with JA1RL and others. While 3525, 7030, 7043 and 7075 have been mentioned as in use, it's wise to keep those, and all of the Centre of Emergency frequencies clear of normal and non-urgent traffic. There is no call for additional foreign radio amateurs."

Ken JA1CJP notes that JARL has received many e-mail messages from radio amateur radio societies and individual hams of many nations and territories in all six continents.

"These messages convey their condolences, sympathies and prayers for the people in Japan. JARL appreciates them very much and is encouraged by them." he said.

"I have also picked up some update information from news sources. The situation is getting worse. On March 17, police announced 5,178 people have been killed and 8,913 are missing. The numbers are sharply rising as most affected areas become accessible by search and rescue teams." he said.

The teams are from Australia, China, Korea, Singapore, New Zealand, USA, Germany, Switzerland and Russia.

The status of Fukushima nuclear plant is still serious and local residents within 20km radius have been evacuated.

It has been a week since the 8.9 on the Richter scale quake, the worst in 140 years, hit off Sendai triggering a ten-metre tsunami.

Statements issued by Vertex Standard Yaesu said its centre at Fukushima was currently out of action, while Icom and Kenwood are located elsewhere and not suffered the same outage. No reports have been received from other manufacturers at this time.

Jim Linton, VK3PC, Chairman IARU Region 3 Disaster Communications Committee.

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Japan's Magnitude 8.9 Earthquake - Amateur Involvement
Taken From the ARRL Weekly Newsletter for 17-March-2011

The ARRL Weekly Newsletter is found at:
http://www.nzart.org.nz/news/

For more on how radio amateurs in Japan are providing communications support after earthquake, click here
http://www.arrl.org/news/radio-amateurs-in-japan-provide-communications-support-after-earthquake

For information on how US amateurs are helping out, click here
http://www.arrl.org/news/japan-asks-radio-amateurs-to-keep-frequencies-clear-as-country-goes-into-recovery-mode-after-devasta

For more on how Japan, Hawaii and the Western US dealt with the immediate after effects of the earthquake and tsunami, click here http://www.arrl.org/news/massive-earthquake-hits-japan-tsunami-warnings-issued

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Message from Break-In Editor
"The Break-In Editor John Walker ZL3IB has advised that he is assuming Break-In will be published as usual although it maybe slightly late."

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>From The Business Manager ZL2DL
Debby says...
Branch Circular
The March Branch Circular has now been posted out to all Secretaries. If you do not receive this within the next 5 days please get back to me.

Included in the mail out are your branch membership details. If there is someone missing from your list whom you believe should be there, can you please confirm with them that they have made their 2011 subscription. If so, please contact me with details of when and how they paid, so that I can confirm and update my records.

Election Results
Elections close officially at 12 noon on Monday 21st March. Any votes received after this date will be voided. Any payments sent in an election envelope will be destroyed unopened, as these are to be used ONLY for voting purposes.

The Results of the election will be available on the web site on Monday evening following the count and official confirmation by the Returning Officer.

Candidates will be notified first, either by phone or e-mail.

Break In
Break In is due out at the beginning of April. At this stage all is confirmed that it will be posted as usual, given that these are produced and posted from Christchurch.

All thirteen remits will be included in Break In, therefore no prior publication of this is permissible in accordance with Clause 6.6. e of the NZART Constitution.

Talk soon...Debby ZL2DL

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NZART Conference 2011
Queen's Birthday Weekend June 3-6 2011
Upper Hutt Branch 63 NZART cordially invites NZART Members and their guests to join us at the Upper Hutt NZART Conference 2011.

Venue
This year's Conference is being held at the Silverstream Retreat which is located near the Upper Hutt suburb of Silverstream and just north of the entrance to Stokes Valley. It is easily accessible from the nearby State Highway 2 and State Highway 58 (Hayward's Hill Road). Physical address is:

Corner Eastern Hutt Rd & Reynolds Bach Drive, Lower Hutt 5019

Free Internet access on site via Wi-Fi will be available.

Provisional programme
The programme will include lectures and forums by several guest speakers, the NZART AGM plus the usual AREC, AMSAT-ZL, OTC, SPAM, WARO and other section meetings, forums and AGMs. An exciting range of other talks, displays and trading tables has been organised.

Guest Speakers
The Conference is planning for an opening address from local Member of Parliament, Chris Hipkins, as well as the Conference Chairman.

Friday
Registrations will commence on Friday afternoon from 4.00 pm at the Silverstream

Retreat, from the Boardwalk complex. For those staying on site, all registration and accommodation will be handled by the Conference Registration team.

Saturday
The registration desk will be open from 7.30am at the Boardwalk area, again for all registration and accommodation inquiries and requests. The Conference will commence at 8.30am, with the official opening commencing at 9.00am. After the welcoming speeches there will be a morning tea break at 9.30am for 30 minutes, with the conference recommencing at 10.00am. The Alternative Programme will commence after the morning tea break. The day should end around 5.00pm with enough time to go back to your accommodation before 6.00pm before pre- dinner drinks at the Boardwalk. Then at 7.00pm the Conference Dinner will commence. The after dinner speaker is well known broadcaster Ian Johnstone. Entertainment will follow.

Sunday
At 8.30am the WARO AGM will start with other AGM's and forums at 9.00 am. The day should end again around 5.00pm for members to refresh before 6.00 pm for pre-dinner drinks at the Boardwalk. At 7.00pm comes the closing dinner.

For more information, please contact:
Email: uh.conference2011@gmail.com
Post: UH Conference 2011, 204 Plateau Road, Te Marua, Upper Hutt 5018, Wellington.

Web Documents are at:
http://www.nzart.org.nz/activities/events/2011-upper-hutt-conf/
PDF DOCUMENTS
INFORMATION (copy of above text)

Registration Form with accomodation prices

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ATTENTION: SCHOOL RADIO CLUBS
"School Skeds"

Arrange Lunch-time QSOs!
Please provide the NZART Webmaster with the following detail to display here!

The club callsign you will be using:
Your preferred listening/operating frequency:
Preferred week-day(s) (Monday ... Friday):
Your on-air operating start time:
The name of your club/school:
The personal callsign of the Trustee who will be supervising your station:
Other information you wish to have made known:

Contacts with other school radio clubs in addition to contacts with other amateur stations are encouraged.

A Note About School Radio Clubs and Callsigns:
The official publication of the Radio Spectrum Management Group (RSM) of the Ministry of Economic Development (MED), known as Public Information Brochure 46, PIB 46 - Edition 011 February 2011 - "Radio operator certificate and callsign rules" is downloadable from:

http://www.rsm.govt.nz/cms/pdf-library/resource-library/publications/pib-46/pib46-edition-011-feb-2011.pdf/view

It makes this provision for Radio Club Stations to train unqualified persons live, on-air, under the direct supervision of a qualified amateur radio operator:

"8. Club Stations
For the purposes of establishing a club station callsign record, the named trustee must hold a General Amateur Operator's Certificate (GAOC).

Club station trustees may authorise the use of the suffix "XT" with the club's permanent callsign for the purposes of instructing and training prospective amateur operator candidates in practical on-air operating procedures. Provided they are directly supervised at all times by a GAOC holder, candidates may take an active part in general communication, operate transmitter controls, and engage in calling and signing off procedures.

A log of contacts made under a candidate's name using the XT callsign, must be kept by the trustee for 1 year after the last contact is made by a candidate."

XT = Examination Trainee

Some school radio club callsigns are included in the list of Branch and Organisation callsigns on page 2-49 of the NZART 2010-2011 Callbook (use the

CD-ROM version).

If your school radio club does not yet have its own club callsign and its own qualified Station Trustee, a qualified radio amateur from the local Branch of NZART may be able to assist.

Reports Are Encouraged!
Please tell us about your club's achievements, trials and successes and your personal experiences!

Send to: webmaster@nzart.org.nz?subject=WEB_ENTRY_SCHOOL_SKEDS

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Rugby World Cup 2011
NZART Council has declared the Rugby World Cup to be a Special Event and encourages you to use the ZM prefix. In declaring this a special event it allows hams to use the ZM prefix eg ZM3TNT. In it's April "Business Update", RSM states: "To Promote the Rugby World Cup, New Zealand Amateurs are encouraged to use the ZM callsign prefix during September and October 2011".

A Map of New Zealand has been placed on the NZART website with game locations linked to contact details of local branches, any planned special events, on air events, and local repeater frequencies. Branches are to be encouraged to invite visiting hams to attend meetings and any special events. Any proposed changes or additions to this are to be forwarded to myself or the NZART webmaster.

Suggested special event call signs are as listed below

ZL6RWCN Northern Districts
ZL6RWCC Central Districts
ZL6RWCM Midlands Districts
ZL6RWCS Southern Districts

Anyone interested in picking up any these callsigns and being a trustee may contact myself zl3tnt@nzart.org.nz for further details

Individuals are encouraged to apply for "RWC" suffix callsigns and print QSL Cards.

My thanks are extended to Paul Ormandy ZL4PW for his assistance in putting this project together.

Ann Fraser ZL3TNT

To RWC on NZART Web:
http://www.nzart.org.nz/council/promotion/rugby-world-cup/

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Transmission of Data and
Power Wirelessly Through Submarine Hulls
This will cause a number of concerns to Governments around the world, but a very interesting wireless techniques nevertheless.

Steel walls are no match for Tristan Lawry. The doctoral student at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute has developed and demonstrated an innovative new system that uses ultrasound to simultaneously transmit large quantities of data and power wirelessly through thick metal walls, like the hulls of ships and submarines.

http://news.rpi.edu/update.do?artcenterkey=2836&setappvar=page%281%29
http://www.theregister.co.uk/2011/03/10/through_metal_comms_n_power_reinvented/

73 de ZL1GWE John

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Long Path PSK?
Here is an interesting one for the infoline _ long path PSK?

Interesting visual effects indicating only previously talked about but not seen visually delayed signals.

73 de ZL1GWE John

>Date: 17/03/2011 03:16 a.m.

>Subject: [ibmham] I have a question - Long Path PSK?

I was operating PSK on 30 Meters last night and noted something unusual. In the waterfall there were two identical QSO's trailing across the Superbrowser in DM780. (see samples attached). After the first I noted three others in the next 45 minutes. I was able to contact the stations and determine they were all operating between 30 & 50 watts, one with a beam pointed toward Europe and the others using verticals. None had remote transmitters or other fancy configurations, just basic set ups.

Other than the identical wave form and text decoded, I also noted the second signal was approximately 2,000hz above the base signal (I didn't think at the time to look down as well) and the delay varied by the distance, ie the closer the transmitting station, the greater the delay. You can see the Italian station was much less of a delay than K0SU in Colorado Springs. I was also told by one of the operators that my transmission was doing the same thing on his waterfall.

>From this I have made the following conclusions:

Delay seems consistent with Long Path signals.

Multiple stations causing the effect and others not causing the effect, and the one station confirming I was doing the same thing to him, indicates it is not an internal radio artifact.

My questions are:
Is this truly a Long Path signal?
If not what is it?
Why the frequency shift? (Most baffling to me of all.)

Any suggestions, ideas, thoughts or references on the subject?

(See attached file: DM780-Screenshot-2011-03-15-232951 Long Path K0SU.jpg)(See attached file: DM780-Screenshot-2011-03-15-235840 Long path it9ccb.jpg)

Because of the size of the above screenshot files, they are available on the NZART Web at:

http://www.nzart.org.nz/assets/pix-1/dm780-screenshot-2011-03-15-235840-long-path-it9ccb.jpg

http://www.nzart.org.nz/assets/pix-1/dm780-screenshot-2011-03-15-232951-long-path-k0su.jpg

NOTE By clicking on the image, once loaded, you will get a larger version. (Firefox, IE and Chrome OK. Opera opens in the larger version)

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Historic First: A Spacecraft Orbits Mercury
March 18, 2011: NASA's MESSENGER spacecraft successfully achieved orbit around Mercury at approximately 9 p.m. EDT on Thursday, March 17. This marks the first time a spacecraft has accomplished this engineering and scientific milestone at our solar system's innermost planet.

For further details please go to:
http://science.nasa.gov/science-news/science-at-nasa/2011/18mar_orbitmercury/

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For Your Information - WX Silverstream and Trentham
When you are at the 2011 NZART Conference in UPPER HUTT on 4/6-June-2011, local weather can be obtained from:
SILVERSTREAM WEATHER
TRENTHAM WEATHER

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An Official NZART E-mail Reflector is Now Available
NZART Council has approved a reflector for NZART Members.

Have you joined yet?

Join by going to Web page:
http://www.nzart.org.nz/join/e-mail-lists/join-nzart-members-list/

Please give your NZART Membership number.

Jamie Pye ZL2NN

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Correction to 2011 Timetable
The 2011 Timetable For Official Broadcast and Infoline as published on the NZART Website had an error that has been corrected.

The month of APRIL was in wrong place and started on Sunday instead of
FRIDAY the correct day.

The April Infolines will be e-mailed on Sunday 03-April-2011 and
17-April-2011.

The Official Broadcast is on the 24-April-2011.

The corrected version can be seen at:
http://www.nzart.org.nz/h-quarter/infoline/2011-timetable/
Jamie Pye ZL2NN

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Kiwi Digital Modes Group
2011 VK/ZL RTTY SPRINT CONTEST
The third running of the Kiwi Digital Modes Group RTTY contest will take
place in April 2011.

For full rules please see:
http://www.nzart.org.nz/activities/contest-rules/rules-kdmg/

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Upcoming Events
1.. Wellington EXPO-11 & VHF Convention 23-April-2011
http://www.nzart.org.nz/activities/events/expo-2011/
2.. UPPER HUTT NZART Conference 2011 04/06-June-2011
http://www.nzart.org.nz/activities/events/2010-upper-hutt-conf/
Contest News
VHF/UHF/SHF Contest
VHF++ Low Band Contest (1st SAT APR 2nd if Easter) 02/03-APR-2011
THE VHF CONTEST RULES (http://www.vhf.org.nz/VHF-UHF-SHF-ContestRules)

Contest Calendar 2011
Contest Name
CQ WW WPX SSB
VHF++ Low Band Contest (1st SAT APR 2nd if Easter)
Thelma Souper Memorial
KDMG RTTY 80 m
Date(s) 2011
26/27-MAR-2011
02/03-APR-2011
09/10-APR-2011
16-APR-2011

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Housekeeping
1.. Break-In-Closing Date Reminder: Copy for the MAY/JUNE issue of
Break-In-closes on 10-MAY-2011
2.. Copy for Break-In: Copy is welcome in most electronic formats but

word.doc files are preferred. Photos and other graphics should be send as separate discrete files (*.jpg preferred); not as embedded pix in the body of the text. Please ensure that suitable descriptive captions/legends are included with your copy.
All received copy will be acknowledged to confirm receipt.
Thank you for your cooperation.
John Walker ZL3IB Editor.
3.. Break-In: Early receipt of copy is much appreciated
4.. Break-In-AREC Column: The close-of-copy date is the 03-MAY-2011 for articles for publication in the AREC COLUMN OF BREAK-IN. Photos, if available, to be on a separate floppy or CD (with captions), posted DIRECTLY TO US. Use Call Book address. All other material can go to e-mail: zl3qr@nzart.org.nz or zl3ov@nzart.org.nz
5.. The ARRL and WIA Weekly News
6.. Subscribe TO/FROM Infoline
Next NZART Official Broadcast is on SUNDAY 27-MARCH-2011

Next HQ-Infoline e-mailed on SUNDAY 03-APRIL-2011

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Regards, Jamie Pye ZL2NN, Editor zl2nn@nzart.org.nz

289. PING: Tholen..... OS2 Help !

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-20 17:56:46 UTC
From: Morkins <Morky_Morkins@live.com>
Message-ID: <673ac20c-e2b2-466e-abe9-f4952f19dad4@u29g2000vby.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4729
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.shortwave

What software can I use to run SSTV on an OS2 machine?

290. Re: PING: Tholen..... OS2 Help !

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-20 18:33:21 UTC
From: Scott in Baltimore <scott_unit_69@yahoo.com>
Message-ID: <im5h9gveg1@news.eternal-september.org>
Source record: 4730
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.shortwave

> What software can I use to run SSTV on an OS2 machine?

http://www.ham-radio-deluxe.com/HRDv5.aspx
If you can't run it, upgrade!

291. Re: PING: Tholen..... OS2 Help !

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-20 18:34:32 UTC
From: marc <nomail@be.com>
Message-ID: <im5hboslk2@news.eternal-september.org>
Source record: 4731
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.shortwave

Morkins wrote:

> What software can I use to run SSTV on an OS2 machine?

You can compile any linux soft.

Just install the gcc for os2
http://packages.debian.org/stable/hamradio/

"linux might be easier "

Or look for wubi, that is linux on win.

os2 is win compatible?

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What's on Shortwave guide: choose an hour, go!
http://shortwave.tk
700+ Radio Stations on SW http://swstations.tk
300+ languages on SW http://radiolanguages.tk

292. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1003

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-20 18:46:34 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <201103201846.p2KIkAfJ003308@smtp108.sbc.mail.ne1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 4732
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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BID: $OPDX.1003
March 21, 2011
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 13th-March, through Sunday, 20th-March there were 224 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, CY0, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J7, J8, JA, JT, JY, K, KG4, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T2, T30, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TU, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VP2E, VP2M, VP2V, VP5, VP6, VP8, VP8/h, VP8/o, VP9, VR, VU, VU4, XE, XF4, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD9, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3D2, FIJI (Update). Operators Eddie/VK4AN and Kenneth/OZ1IKY are now active as 3D2A and 3D2DX, respectively, from Nadi Bay, Viti Levu. Eddie will stay active until April 4th, while Kenneth will only operate until March 30th. As previously reported, their activities will be from a

"3-story 2-br luxury a/c apartment in Nadi with roof top antennas including a full-size 160m Inverted Vee or delta-loop, Spiderbeam, DX-88 and other antennas!" Activity will be on all bands (160-6m) and modes but concentrating on the lower bands. Operations will include participation in the BARTG RTTY (this past weekend) and CQ WPX SSB DX Contests. More details are available at their "Pacific DXers" Web page at: http://pacific-dxers.com

4A, REVILLAGIGEDO (Update). The 4A4A team is now QRT from Socorro Island (NA-030). Their 18 days of operation netted 4A4A with 73088 QSOs with 19309 unique callsigns (37171/CW, 26730/SSB and 9187/RTTY). QSL via EB7DX direct. All QSOs will be confirmed via LoTW automatically. The DXpedition's Web site is: http://www.revillagigedo2011.com
Online log available at: http://www.revillagigedo2011.com/en/log.html

5D, MOROCCO. Operators Stefano/IK2QEI, Matteo/IK2SGC and Rich/N6KT will be active with the special callsign 5D5A from CN3A contest station during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 26-27th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via I2WIJ or LoTW.

8P, BARBADOS. Operators Cal/WF5W, Bill/K5WAF, Bob/WB5IUU and Paul/W5PF will be active as 8P9CW, 8P9WF, 8P9UU and 8P9PF, respectively, from Barbados (NA-021) between March 24th and April 3rd. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via W5PF.

9M6, EAST MALAYSIA. Valery, UA3QNS, is now active as 9M6/UA3QNS from Sabah (OC-088) until March 23rd. Activity this past week was on 40/30/20/17/15/12/10 meters using CW and SSB. He was also heard in the Russian DX Contest this past weekend. QSL via the Bureau. He will upload to LoTW.
Online log is available at: http://www.clublog.org/logsearch/9M6/UA3QNS

9N, NEPAL (Update). Operators Dov/4Z4DX/9N7DX and XYL Anat/9N7YL will be active between April 13-30th. Activity will be mainly 20/15/10/6 meters using
mostly CW, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via 4Z4DX. Dov has activated a new Web page for this operation at: http://www.9n7dx.com

CY0, SABLE ISLAND (Update). Operators Randy/N0TG, Jeff/N1SNB and Wayne/K8LEE went QRT from Sable Island (NA-063) on Monday, March 14th. No other details were provided. QSL all callsigns via N0TG, direct or by the Bureau. They will have an "Online QSL Request Service" (OQRS) on their Web site for both direct and Bureau QSLs (see "How to QSL") at: http://www.CY0dxpedition.com

DAYTON HAMVENTION NEWS (TopBand Dinner Banquet). It was announced by George/K8GG and George/W8UVZ, Dayton's TopBand Dinner team, that John, VE3EJ, will do a presentation at their dinner banquet called "TopBand Operations from VP8ORK". Dinner will be held 7:30 PM Friday, May 20th, at the Crowne Plaza Hotel. Complete details are available at the following Web page at: http://topbanddinner.com
Tickets are still available.

EF8, CANARY ISLANDS. Look for EF8M from Santa Maria de Guia, Las Palmas Gran Canaria (AF-004, DIE S-005, WLOTA L 0969), to be on the air during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via UA3DX.

FM, MARTINIQUE. Oliver F6ARC, will once again be active as FM/F6ARC from Martinique (NA-107) between April 6-21st. Activity will be holiday style probably on 160-30 meters CW. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct (QRZ.com).

FO/M, MARQUESAS (Wrap-Up). Phil, FO8RZ, informs OPDX that he has written a little story about his FO8RZ/P mini-Dxpedition to Nuku Hiva, Marquesas Island (OC-027), and it is available here at:
http://f5phw.hamlogs.net/articles.php?lng&pgE5
Also, his log from Nuku Hiva is available online at:
http://www.clublog.org/charts/?c8RZ/P
All info about FO8RZ is availabe on: http://f5phw.hamlogs.net

HI, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC (Update). Operators "Yukon John"/KL7JR and XYL Claire/WL7MY are currently active as HI3/KL7JR and HI3/WL7MY from Hispaniola Island (NA-096) until June 5th. "Yukon John" informs OPDX that he is working the world on HF using a 75 foot long Inverted L running north/south in the coconut trees from Costambar on the north coast of Hispaniola Island. Operating position is 100 feet from the ocean. E-mail for skeds. See updated bio at QRZ.com. QSL via KL7JR (QRZ.com). QSLing will start until around July.

IOTA NEWS.....
EU-042. Operators Mathias/DJ9MD, Jens/DK8MIL, Jan/DK7JAN and Thomas/DK9BTX will be active as DF0TM from Sylt Island (GIA/DID N-016, WLOTA 2057) between April 15-18th. Activity will be on all HF bands and modes. QSL by the Bureau or direct (see DF0TM on QRZ.com). For possible updates, see the Web site at: http://www.df0tm.de

EU-055. Helge, LA1QDA, will once again be active from his summer QTH on Sotra Island between July 11-31st. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using mainly SSB and CW. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-120. (Update) Operators Kevan/2E0WMG and Jonathan/G0DVJ will be active from Lundy Island (English Coastal Islands, WLOTA 1997, GFF-103) between March 21-26th. Activity will be on all HF bands, 80-10 meters. Look for G0DVJ to be on both CW and SSB while 2E0WMG will only be on SSB. Kevan states, "This is a holiday style activation so no firm operating schedule will be planned other than a few times below where we have specific plans. We will be looking for DX calling on or near the IOTA frequencies below. Jonathan will be competing in the 80m RSGB SSB Club Championship Contest on Thursday, March 24th, between 2000-2130z. Some non contest activity will take place on 80m for at least an hour prior to the start of the contest (with either call) on or near 3685 kHz and possibly after the

contest also. Most activity on SSB will center around the IOTA frequencies of 3755, 7055, 14260 and 18128 kHz." QSL via details on QRZ.com.

EU-123. Operators Adrian/M0PAI, Alan/G0JNJ, Arthur/M0GWF and Keith/G3VKF will be active as GS4MWS from Lamlash, Isle of Arran, between April 2-7th. Activity will be mainly on the HF bands. More details will be forthcoming on the operating times and frequencies. They also plan to Twitter from the GS4MWS operation live @gx4mws while on the island. QSL via M0PAI.

EU-125. Operators Hans/DO3HJW, Robert/DH8HD, Ralph/DL3LED, Olaf/DL4HG and Andy/DL7AT will be active as OZ0TX from Mando Island (DIA NS-003) between July 28th and August 1st. Activity will include an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st). Operations will be on all HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL via DL7AT, by the Bureau or direct.

EU-125. Operators Mike/DL4ABO (CW) and Martin/DC8MH (CW/SSB) will be active as OZ/homecall from Fano Island (DIA NS-002) between September 9-11th. Activity will be on the HF bands. QSL via their home callsigns, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-150. Members of the Portuguese DX Group (GPDX) will be active as CT7/homecall and CT7/homecall/p from Insua Island (DIP MI-001, PIP NT-001, DCFP F-006, DCP CVC-046 and CVC-047, DMHP VC-017 and VC-061, DFP FM-101, DMP 1602, DDFP CMN-12) during July. Operators mentioned are Antonio/CU8AS, Arlindo/CT1EGW, Carlos/CT1END, Joao Rafael/CT1BOP, Luis/CT1EEQ, Luis/CT4NH and Hermann/HB9CRV. Activity will be on all HF bands and modes. The group also plans to be active in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st) using the callsign CR6W. Look for some operators to stay a few days longer on Insua Island and activate the lighthouse (ARLHS POR-028, WLOTA 2869). QSL CR6W via CS1GDX. QSL all other callsigns via their home callsigns. For more information and updates, go to: http://gpdx.netpower.pt http://www.to-mk.com/neu

EU-172. Chris, DL4FO, will be active as OZ/homecall from Tuno Island (DIA JY-009) between July 17-29th. Activity will be on all HF bands, plus 6 meters, using mainly CW. QSL via his home callsign, the Bureau is preferred.

NA-184. Rick, K6VVA, will be active as K6VVA/6 from St. George Reef in the California State North IOTA Group between April 8-9th. Activity will be on 40-15 meters using mainly CW with some SSB. However, this DXpedition is subject to weather and heli-copter landing, so dates may change slightly. QSL via N6AWD. For updates, watch: http://www.k6vva.com/iota/na184

KH0, MARIANA ISLANDS (Update). Ja operator Kirk, WE8A, will be active as WE8A/KH0 from Northern Mariana Island (OC-086) between March 30th and

April 2nd, 2011. Kirt will focus on 80-6 meters, with a focus on the 30/17/12 meter bands, using CW and SSB. His friend Yuu, K8RLY, was expected to join him on this trip, but had to cancel. QSL ONLY direct to: 5-1-35, Daikaidori, Kobe, 652-0803 JAPAN. Please do not send to the U.S. Bureau or JA Bureau.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (March 21-27th)....
Mar 21 AN SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS
Mar 22 AN --------------------
Mar 23 AN BN - Below Normal
Mar 24 AN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Mar 25 AN LN - Low Normal
Mar 26 AN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Mar 27 AN DIS - Disturbed
VDIS - Very Disturbed

GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

KV4/NP2, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS. Yuriy, N2TTA, will be active as KV4FZ during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 26-27th) as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. Look for him outside the contest as NP2/N2TTA.

MJ, JERSEY (EU-013). Craig, K3PLV, will be active as MJ/K3PLV from Channel Islands between March 22-30th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

OX, GREENLAND (IOTA Op). Graham, G4MFX, will be in Greenland for work purposes and plans to operate as OX/G4MFX when possible, but very limited from the following dates and locations/IOTAs:
NA-018 - Sisimiut; between March 24th and April 9th
NA-018 - Ilulissat; between April 10-15th
NA-134 - Aasiaat; between April 16-18th
Operations are anticipated to take place from a hotel or in the countryside from a car. Graham will be using a FT-817ND (w/5 watts) into an end fed half-waves antenna for 40/20/17 meters. He states, "The positioning of these antennas is unlikely to be ideal (since there are no trees in Greenland). Operations will be SSB only. QSL via G4MFX (see Qrz.COM for details).

P4, ARUBA. Operators Ed/N4OC, Brian/W3BW and John/K0DQ will be active as P40M during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 26-27th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via W3HNK. Operations will be from the P49V contest station <see http://www.p49v.com/main/page_home.html>.

P4, ARUBA. Dee, W1HEO, will be active as P4/W1HEO from Aruba (SA-036) between April 3-16th. Activity will be from the P49V contest station

and will be on 160-10 meters using CW and SSB, with emphasis on the higher HF and 30/17/12 meter bands. Operations will be on the IOTA frequencies:
CW - 10115, 14040, 18098, 21040, 24920 and 28040 kHz
SSB - 14260, 18128, 21260, 24950 and 28460 kHz
Although this is a semi-holiday outing, major effort will be devoted to maximizing operating time. A special color photo QSL will be available. QSL direct only to the W1HEO (QRZ.com address) or by the Bureau.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated March 20th)

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3D2A via VK4AN HG20MAT via HA3OD PJ2/W5ZPA via W5ZPA
3D2DX via EA4DX II6ICA via I6HWD S21YZ via JH1AJT
5Q2J via OZ2JBC IO2UDI via IQ2LZ TC18M via TA1HZ
5R8FL via G3SWH J6/MJ0SIT via MJ0SIT TG7WW via KD4POJ
5R8XB via ON8XB J68PJ via G3PJT TJ3FC via F5LGE
7P8KDJ via W5KDJ J79M via SM3PHM TO1N via IW1GGN
BG3EKH via BA3AO K4J via KP4JRS UN7QX via W7BO (direct only)
CT8/SM6C via SM6JSM KH6/VE7AHA via VE7AHA UW5M via UT7MA
EA8/DM8MM via DM8MM LZ3ZZ via LZ1YE VP2MXF via G3TXF
ED5GUI via EA5GUI LZ1370PRT via LZ-Bureau VP2V/G3PHO via G3PHO
F9IE/VK2/P via F9IE OF50VRA via OH4TY VP5/VE3OP via VE3OP
FG/DL1CW via DL1CW OL7H via OK1HC YR2WFF via YO2KJW
FP/N9JZ/P via N9JZ PJ2/N5HZ via N5HZ Z2/K0YY via K0YY
HA50HG via HA0HG PJ2/PE2B via PE2B Z22CW via DK7PE

8P6QL QSLS NOT VIA YASME. Wayne, N7NG, President of the Yasme Foundation, informs: "The Yasme Foundation does NOT handle QSLs for any 8P6QL operation since 1981."

HR5/F2JD LOGS. Gerard, F2JD, has started his activity from Copan, Honduras as HR5/F2JD. QSL via F6AJA, and the first part of his log is now available online at: http://lesnouvellesdx.fr/voirlogs.php

S9DX QSL STATUS. Harry, DM5TI (S9DX Team Leader), announced that they have started to send out QSLs in the following sequence:
1st - To members of DX foundations with a QSL service which supported them by donation.
2nd - To individual sponsors.
3rd - To users of their QSL request system with sufficient return postage.
4th - To all direct QSL request senders with SAE and sufficient return postage.
5th - Special LoTW upload for supporters.
6th - LoTW upload, all other QSL requests not mentioned above.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: D2SG, ER4DX, GW4BLE, LP2F, PJ4A, T30AQ, T30RH and VP8ORK

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3G1P/3G1M, 4L5O, 9Q50ON, A25DF, EK7DX, EV8XZ, FG5GP, FM/AI5P, CT3DZ, D4C, KH6MB, LA9DFA, LP2F, NH7A, OJ0B, OX2A, OX3DB, PJ2/N2MF, PJ2A, PJ2MI, S50O, T30OU, TG7/N6HD, TM6M and ZB2FK

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 5N0OCH, 6W/IZ2DPX, 8J1ASAHI/1, 9A1CCB, 9A2GF, 9Y4W, CN2B, CQ0ODX, CQ3L, CT9L, E21YDP, E7HQ, EA1WS, LX/PA6Z, LY90FW, LZ7HQ, OE7KMJ, OH0A, OH5ZZ, OK1MCS, RA6AV, RW3XZ, RZ6HWA, SP6IHE, TA2/DL2JRM, TM5F, TO8YY, UP65PM, UR5WIF, UT0VE, VA2TG, VA3PL, VE1JS, VE3CNX, VE3MTS and ZK2DL

S2, BANGLADESH. The "Foundation with Global Children (FGC) DX Group" is now active from Bangladesh as S21YZ until March 30th. Activity is on 160-10 meters, including the 30/17/12 meter bands, and using the modes CW, SSB and RTTY. As this was being typed, S21YZ has made (as of 1311z, March 19th) 5454 QSOs with 3347 unique callsigns (4467/CW, 613/SSB and 374/RTTY). QSL via JH1AJT, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW. For more details, visit their Web pages at: http://www.s21yx.com/index.php
http://www.facebook.com/S21YX
http://twitter.com/#%21/search/s21yz

S7, SEYCHELLES. Operators Norbert/F6AXX, Romain/F8DSI and Bernard/F5HEW will be active as S79UFT from Mahe, Seychelles Islands (AF-024) between March 24th and April 15th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW and some PSK. Suggested CW frequencies are: 3524, 7013, 10115, 14025, 18083, 21025, 24903 and 28025 kHz. PSK will be on the usual PSK frequencies. QSL via F6AXX, direct (QRZ.com) or by the French REF-Union Bureau.

SOUTHERN SUDAN 2011. Antonio, EA5RM, member of the Intrepid-DX/DX Friends Group planning a multi-national DXpedition to Southern Sudan, sent out the following press release this past week: "After a long way, a lot of hard work and several successful meetings with Southern Sudan Government officials of various Ministries, just today, the first amateur radio license has been issued by the new government.
Southern Sudan Government officials now understand amateur radio, and they are ready to change the actual rules and regulations as soon as possible, looking to simplify the process of obtaining a license, so that everyone can enjoy amateur radio in this new country.
We have the cooperation of both Ministries to update our license if there is a new prefix that will be assigned by ITU, and we'll be in permanent contact with the proper department helping in the development of amateur radio in Southern Sudan.
Our Dxpedition will start on July 9th from Juba so please stay tuned.
I want to thank the Government of Southern Sudan officials for their cooperation and my whole team support.......
Antonio Gonzalez, EA5RM
Juba, Southern Sudan, July 18th 2011"

SV5, DODECANESE. Fred, PA1FJ, will be active as SV5/PA1FJ/p from Pigadia village on the Island of Karpathos (IOTA EU-001, GIOTA DKS-016, MIA MGD-013, WLOTA 1570) between May 8-14th. Activity will be on 40-6 meters, using his FT-817 into a Buddistick and 2x5m dipole. QSL via his home callsign, the Bureau is preferred.

V3, BELIZE (Update). Paul, W4PGM, will be active as V31PM from Belize between March 23-30th. He is part of the contest team that will be active as V31MM during the CQ WPX SSB Contest (March 26-27th). Paul is expected to be on the air before and after the contest operating QRP PSK on 20 and 40 meters. QSL via his home callsign, direct, eQSL or LoTW.

V8, BRUNEI. John, 9M6XRO, will once again be active as V85/9M6XRO from Brunei (OC-088) between March 23-27th. He states, "I will have 80-10m capability using my IC-7000 driving an IC-2KL linear into a Butternut HF6V vertical mounted on the hotel roof. I plan to do quite a bit of RTTY this time as well as CW and SSB." QSL via M0URX, direct (w/SAE plus 1 IRC/2 USDs), by the Bureau, or LoTW. Alternatively, QSLs may be requested using M0URX's OQRS form at: http://www.m0urx.com/qsl-request-form

VISALIA DX CONVENTION NEWS (IOTA Dinner). The 16th annual "Islands On The Air" (IOTA) Dinner will be held in conjunction with the 62th annual Visalia International DX Convention on Friday, April 15th, in the Plaza Room of the Holiday Inn Hotel, 9000 W. Airport Drive, Visalia, CA 93277, phone: 559 651-5000. See the DX Convention Web site for details on the DX Convention: http://dxconvention.org
This dinner is open to all who are active in the IOTA program or want to see beautiful pictures of far away islands. If you do not desire dinner, you may sit and enjoy the IOTA program following the dinner. The IOTA Programs/Speakers (as of March) are: Martin/G3ZAY and Dominic/M0BLF, and Mike/K9AJ. The dinner will be served buffet style in the Plaza Room at a cost of 30 USDs per person (service charge and tax included). Reservations are not required, but they would like to know if you are attending. Please contact one of the two coordinators below. For additional information regarding this event, please contact:
Ray Benny/N6VR - IOTA Dinner Coordinator (Phone: 928 848-2158);
462 South Reed Road, Chino Valley, AZ 86323;
E-mail: rayn6vr@cableone.net
Will Costello/WC6DX - Phone: 831 375-8133
E-mail: wc6dx@sbcglobal.net

VU4, ANDAMAN ISLANDS (Update). Members of the Amateur Radio Society of India (ARSI) are now active as VU4PB from Port Blair through March 31st. It was announced that the group has moved their 40 and 80 CW frequencies due the JA Emergency nets, so the following are suggested operating frequencies:

BAND	CW	RTTY	SSB	Special Notes
160m	1824	-	1845	See 2
80m	3504	3584	3695	See 1 and 2
40m	7004	7044	7095	See 1 and 3
30m	10104	10144	-	
20m	14024	14084	14195	
17m	18074	18104	18145	
15m	21024	21084	21295	
12m	24894	24914	24945	
10m	28024	28084	28495	
6m	50104	-	50134	

Special Notes:
1. 80 & 40m CW frequencies shifted due to JA Emergency nets
2. On 80 & 160m listen to the operator - Up or DN splits will be used
3. On 40m SSB - we will use 7140 for NA
4. The following split frequencies will be followed as far as possible:
* CW split - up 2 to 10 kHz
* SSB split - up 5 to 15 kHz
* RTTY split - up 2 to 10 kHz
5. They will listen in the US Novice bands segments where required

QSL Manager will be W3HNK. The VU4PB does have an "Online QSL Request System" (OQRS) available at:
http://arsi.info/dxpeditions/vu4pb-mar-2011/oqrs-vu4pb
Any QSL cards received via any IARU recognized QSL Bureau will be answered in due course of time. An online log search is available at:
http://arsi.info/dxpeditions/vu4pb-mar-2011/log-search
For more details and updates, visit the VU4PB Web apge at:
http://arsi.info/dxpeditions/vu4pb-mar-2011
LAST MINUTE UPDATES (Pirate Alert). Prasad, VU2PTT, reports: "VU4PB was hit by a noticeable pirate operation on 40m CW between 1527 to 1817z on 16th March 2011. This was at a time when the 40m CW station had gone off air at 1527z. Please notify DXers that their QSOs with VU4PB made during the above period was by a Slim Op. We understand the pain this news will cause, and hope they can make QSOs on 40m with the real VU4PB soon.... We would also like to say that three of our key operators have been unable to join us at VU4PB as planned due to health and family issues, and we have been working hard to fill the gaps with the operators that we have."

XV2/XV4, VIETNAM. Mal, VK6LC, will once again be returning to Vietnam between April 10-25th. This will be a dedicated culture tour of northern Vietnam, but he plans to be active from two different locations using two callsign:
XV2LC - April 10-15th; from Ho Chi Min City
XV4LC - April 20-25th; from Mekong Delta
Activity will be on 20 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via VK6LC only direct. He does NOT use the QSL Bureau.

YJ, VANUATU (Want to go on a DXpedition?). Chris, VK3QB, reports that the members of the "Oceania Amateur Radio DX Group" (ODXG) are planning to go to Vanuatu again, but this time look for operators to join the fun and some sightseeing. Plans are to arrive in Port Vila on September 28th, to get set up. Then operate the 2 contest weekends, with relaxed DXpedition operations between October 3-7th - another 2-3 days of relaxed operations following the CW Contest, then leave Vanuatu on October 14th. Plans are still developing and depending on interest, ODXG will run multiple stations from two separate locations on the island of Efate (Port Vila) which is just a 4 hour flight from Melbourne. Any interested people should register with Chris, VK3QB. Please provide a brief overview of your interests, any relevant or special skills (many skills contribute to a successful DXpedition) that may be useful for the trip. Send via

E-mail to vk3qb@wia.org.au or call 0429 187 593.

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new
FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the
following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)

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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced
mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send
mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW

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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE
OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�lp>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�bscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html

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Excerpts and distribution of The OPDX Bulletin are granted as long as
KB8NW/OPDX/BARF80 receive credit. To contribute DX info, please send
via InterNet Mail to: kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org - OR - kb8nw@arrl.net
Information can now be faxed to the following "NEW" phone line at:
1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)

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DX Chairman for the "Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society
ARRL Assistant Director of the Great Lakes Division
Sysop of the "Basic Amateur Radio Frequency BBS" (BARF80.ORG)

293. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 20th March 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-20 20:00:15 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20110320200003.F32B533C5F@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4733
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 20th March 2011

Japanese Earthquake & Tsunami

Our heartfelt thoughts are with the people of Japan at this tragic moment in their history. We know that our fellow radio amateurs are working extremely hard in their efforts to assist in this major disaster.

The following has been received from Greg Mossop, G0DUB IARU Region 1 Emergency Communications Co-Ordinator: "Japan remains under its worst threat to an ever rising toll, widespread destruction, power, fuel and water shortages follow the massive earthquake, tsunami and failed 40-year old nuclear power station."

"IARU Region 3 Secretary, Ken Yamamoto JA1CJP said the Japan Amateur Radio League (JARL) HQ station JA1RL and other amateur stations are maintaining their effort to support the disaster relief operation."

"JA1RL continues to operate under instruction to be an emergency traffic centre and increasingly receiving help from JARL members in the affected area. It is using the 7 MHz SSB, 144 MHz SSB/FM and 430 MHz SSB/FM."

"While 3525, 7030, 7043 and 7075 have been mentioned as in use, it's wise to keep those and all of the Centre of Emergency (CoA) clear of normal and non-urgent traffic. There is no call for additional foreign radio amateurs." - Jim Linton, VK3PC, Chairman IARU Region 3 Disaster Communications Committee.

IRTS AGM Annual Dinner and Rally 2011

You are warmly welcomed to attend the IRTS AGM weekend, including Annual Dinner and Rally will be held this year on Saturday March 26th and Sunday March 27th. The event will be hosted by the Limerick Radio Club. The venue is the Radisson Blu Hotel, Ennis Road, Limerick.

For more information contact, Ger McNamara EI4GXB 087 2532512 or ei4gxb/ at /gmail/ dot/ com.

The AGM dinner tickets priced at 35 are now available from Tony Condon EI2AW at QTHR or by email to condona /at / eircom/ dot/ net.

Dave Deane EI9FBB ARRL card checker will be in attendance, please be sure to complete your paperwork correctly and bring along your cards. New applications and updates for DXCC & Worked All States will be taken on the day.

A new website for the Rally in Limerick on 27 March 2011 is now available, please go to http://limerickradiorally.com for more details.

Limerick Radio Club look forward to welcoming everyone next weekend.

IRTS News Feeds

RSS news feeds are rapidly becoming the way to publish information in a timely fashion without pushing emails and cluttering inboxes. The user initially downloads an RSS reader and subscribe to the feed by going to the relevant feed site.

Jim EI4HH has introduced a service on a trial basis for IRTS members which will publish brief details of items such as AGM and Rally details, IRTS News and Contest Dates. This is not intended to be a high through-put information service but rather an intermittent service which would keep active operators up to date with frequent snippets of relevant information.

Members should click the RSS button on the IRTS website or go to http://www.irts.ie/rss to sign up and see the feed.

Further information from Jim EI4HH at holohaj2 /at/ hotmail /dot/ com

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South Dublin Radio Club

South Dublin Radio Club Annual General Meeting (AGM) will take place in Terenure College on Tuesday 29th March at 8pm sharp.

All members are welcome and asked to attend. Also, at the South Dublin Radio Club, amateur radio theory classes will be held on a weekly basis and morse classes will be held in the near future.

North Cork Radio Group

North Cork Radio Group will be active EI1NC/P from the old governors house at Cork City Gaol and Radio Museum on the weekend of the 19 and 20th of March, The intention of the activation is to gain publicity and awareness for the Museum as an attraction for radio enthusiast both in Cork city and for visitors to the county in general. The Gaol houses the restored 6CK radio Broadcast studio in addition to an audio visual dedicated to Marconi and his Irish connections along with a wide collection of nostalgic artefacts from the golden age of Irish radio.

Cork Radio Club

Cork Radio Club has been meeting weekly in Blackpool on the North side of Cork City for many years. Unfortunately, the premises used is no longer available to the club and following the recent annual general meeting, the club will now meet regularly once a month with additional meetings as required. The first of the monthly meetings will be held on Monday March 28th at the Community Centre on Main Street in Carrigtwohill at 2030 hours. This meeting will discuss a programme of events for the year ahead and new members are very welcome. The first field event will be for International Marconi Day on April 30th when the callsign EI5IMD will be used again at the original Marconi site at Brow Head in Crookhaven in West Cork. This year marks the 110th anniversary of Marconi's operation from Brow Head when the reception of strong signals from Poldhu in Cornwall convinced Marconi that it was possible to span the Atlantic with radio signals. Officers elected at the recent AGM were: Chairman Jeremy EI5GM, Secretary Dave EI4BZ and Treasurer Dick EI6HH. Enquiries about the club to Jeremy on 083-3317710 or Dave on 087-6290574 or by email to info /at/ corkradioclub /dot/ com

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Northern Ireland Amateur Radio Club of the Year

Michael Clarke, MI5MTC writes and tells us that the RSGB Regional Manager for Northern Ireland, Peter Lowrie Mi5JYK has announced that Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club has retained the Regional Club of the Year Award despite stiff competition from West Tyrone Amateur Radio Club.

The Lough Erne club and twelve other regional award winners are now in the UK Final with the chance to take the overall title of RSGB National Club of the Year and a £1000 prize.

The presentation of its Regional Award will take place at Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club's Pearl Anniversary Rally on Sunday 17 April in the SHARE Centre.

The Amateur Portable Group

To celebrate the Loughcrew Equinox Sunrise, The Amateur Portable Group will be activating the Loughcrew Cairns with a portable station today Sunday 20th March. Activity will be on VHF Simplex, FM Satellite and HF, the call will be EI0Z/p.

Yaesu Temporarily Suspends Production After Earthquake

Production of Yaesu radios at Vertex Standard's factory in Fukushima, Japan, has been temporarily halted due to earthquake damage. All Vertex Standard employees and their families are said to be safe.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to

both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

294. [RAC-Bulletin] Tsunami and the Pacific Coast of the Americas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-21 00:20:12 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4D869992.9050809@rac.ca>
Source record: 4734
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

VIA: IARU Region 2 News bulletin
>Subject: Tsunami and the Pacific Coast of the Americas
March 18, 2011

After the Tsunami which originated by the Japan Earthquake on Friday, March 11, 2011, several American countries began to issue warning, to their populations located near the Pacific Coast.

Marco Loarca, TG9ANM, ECAG AREA D of IARU R2; reported that during the day, the CRAG (Club de Radio Aficionados de Guatemala), was able to maintain communication via VHF- UHF with radio operators located near the Pacific of Guatemala.

Jorge Sierra, LU1AS, ECAG Area G of IARU R2, reported that RECNA (Red Chilena Nor Austral), monitored the frequency 7.070 and from 17:00 local time, the VHF-UHF Network was activated.

Daniel Lamoureux VE2KA, reported that there has been no damage from the Tsunami, on Western Coast of Canada.

A.R.E.S (Amateur Radio Emergency Services) of the Central California Coast, Santa Cruz County,on Friday, March 11, 2011, approximately 08:00 AM PST, reported as follows:

Sirens wailed and reverse 911 alerted residents in low lying beach zones of Santa Cruz County today for the impending danger of the Tsunami released as a result of the 8.9 earthquake in Japan.

Early Friday morning the Santa Cruz County A.R.E.S. Team activated the Santa Cruz County Tsunami Resource Net in advance of the anticipated 5 to 7 foot wave. It was expected to reach the Santa Cruz Coast around 8:00 AM.

More than 30 local A.R.E.S. radio operators staffed and manned served agencies including the Santa Cruz County Emergency Operations Center, Evacuation Centers, The Red Cross, Salvation Army Corp Canteen Truck One, Santa Cruz County Harbor Coast Guard Auxiliary and a number of local Fire Departments.

In addition to the served agencies, a number of hams provided remote observation of the coast line and communications capabilities at the evacuation centers.

As expected, the devastating Tsunami waves impacted the coast and did an estimated 15 million dollars of damage to the Santa Cruz Harbor. More than 100 boats, including fishing vessels, pleasure boats and

yachts, were either damaged or sunk as a result of the waves.

Santa Cruz was not alone in receiving significant damage as a result of the powerful waves. Crescent City, located approximately 500 miles North of Santa Cruz, also received heavy damage causing Governor Brown to declare these areas disaster zones. One person died as a result of being swept out to sea with the high waves.

Forwarded by Doug Mercer VO1DTM, Vice President Field Services
Radio Amateurs of Canada

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Vernon Erle Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Dollard des Ormeaux, Quebec
RAC E-News/Web News Bulletin Editor
<racnews@rac.ca>

You are receiving this bulletin because you are subscribed to an electronic mailing list.
For more information or to change your subscription please visit:
http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

295. NZART Headquarters SPECIAL Infoline Issue 26S

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-21 04:01:28 UTC
From: jamiepye <jamie.pye@pyenet.co.nz>
Message-ID: <GBEFLHAKABNBJEJENPGDMEMCDCAA.jamie.pye@pyenet.co.nz>
Source record: 4735
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

NZART Headquarters SPECIAL Infoline Issue 26S
21-MARCH-2011
NZART Website: http://www.nzart.org.nz/home/

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*Attachment(s) for Branches: infoline-26S.doc

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NZART President and Executive Council Election Results 2011
The results of the election for President and Northern Region Councillors
are as follows

President
John Andrews ZL2HD 185 Votes

Simon Lewis ZL4PLM 159 Votes

Roy Symon ZL2KH 293 Votes

Roy Symon is by the above result duly elected President

Northern Region Councillors
Vaughan Henderson ZL1TGC 253 Votes

Neill Ellis ZL1TAJ 138 Votes

Phil King ZL1PK 231 Votes

Stephen Hayman ZL1TPH 143 Votes

Vaughan Henderson, Phil King & Stephen Hayman are duly elected

Central Region Councillors - No Election Required
Fred Johnson ZL2AMJ

John Andrews ZL2HD

Warren Harris ZL2AJ

Midlands - No Election Required
Ann Fraser ZL3TNT

Simon Lewis ZL4PLM

Southern Region - No Nominations received
Incoming Council to nominate a Representative Councillor

Scrutineers for this election were
Peter Norden - ZL2SJ & Mrs Joanna Gunderson from Parsons Roddick & Co, the Associations Auditors

Evan T Sayer
Returning Officer
21 March 2011

Next NZART Official Broadcast is on SUNDAY 27-MARCH-2011

Next HQ-Infoline e-mailed on SUNDAY 03-APRIL-2011

Regards, Jamie Pye ZL2NN, Editor zl2nn@nzart.org.n

296. Re: OS2 Help ! Use Linux!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-21 13:49:27 UTC
From: dave <dave@dave.dave>
Message-ID: <4d87652d$0$2276$bd467cd0@news.dslextreme.com>
Source record: 4736
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.shortwave

On 03/20/2011 11:33 AM, Scott in Baltimore wrote:
>> What software can I use to run SSTV on an OS2 machine?
>
> http://www.ham-radio-deluxe.com/HRDv5.aspx
> If you can't run it, upgrade!

http://www.dxzone.com/catalog/Software/Linux/

297. Re: OS2 Help ! Use Linux!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-21 15:18:41 UTC
From: John Harbl <jharbl@harbl.com>
Message-ID: <im7q8e$1sg$2@speranza.aioe.org>
Source record: 4737
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.misc,comp.os.os2.advocacy

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On 3/21/11 9:49 AM, dave wrote:
> On 03/20/2011 11:33 AM, Scott in Baltimore wrote:
>>> What software can I use to run SSTV on an OS2 machine?
>>
>> http://www.ham-radio-deluxe.com/HRDv5.aspx
>> If you can't run it, upgrade!
>
> http://www.dxzone.com/catalog/Software/Linux/

Or you could be really fancy about it and run OS/2 inside a VM under
Linux, which itself could even be running in a VM!

The possibilities for recursion are endless!

- J.
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298. Welcome to rec.radio.info!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-22 06:00:05 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/rec-radio-info/welcome-1-1300773600@panix.com>
Source record: 4738
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.info,rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.answers,news.answers

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/rec-radio-info/welcome
Revision: 1.4 2008/02/09 19:36:10
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

*** Welcome to rec.radio.info! ***

Welcome to rec.radio.info, a group that aims to provide a noise-free
source of information and news for the entire rec.radio hierarchy.

Two introductory articles about rec.radio.info are posted to the group
every month. You are now reading the first article, which explains what
rec.radio.info is, and answers some Frequently Asked Questions. The
second article is titled Posting Guidelines, and you only need to read
it if you want to submit an article to rec.radio.info.

You can skip to the next section of this article by searching for the
next
" -- " string. The sections available are:
- What is the purpose of rec.radio.info?
- Why are messages almost always cross posted to rec.radio.info?
- What is a 'follow-up', and what does 'moderated' mean?
- OK, so now I know what 'moderated' means. Tell me more.
- What type of material is considered inappropriate?
- I do not have access to news, how can I get the information posted to
rec.radio.info?
- Will the material appearing in rec.radio.info be archived somewhere?
- I have a regular posting with timely information, is there a way to
speed up it's delivery, or automate for more convenience?

-- What is the purpose of rec.radio.info?

The purpose or charter of rec.radio.info is to provide the Usenet
community with a resource for information, news, and facts about any and
all things radio.

All the other rec.radio groups are intended for discussions and general
chit chat about radio. Rec.radio.info will contain informational,
factual articles only. Follow-ups are redirected to an appropriate other
group, and further discussion (if any) will not take place in
rec.radio.info.
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In order to ensure that rec.radio.info contains only appropriate articles, it was decided to create the group as a moderated newsgroup.

-- Why are messages almost always cross posted to rec.radio.info?

It provides a "tag" for each article to be assembled into a filtered presentation in rec.radio.info (even with cross-posting, only one message, with a unique Message-ID, is propagated across the net). This tag also facilitates a pre-existing method of dropping or canceling the articles locally within the discussion groups if you don't want to see them. This accommodates individuals who want to separate the bulletins from the discussions, discussions from the bulletins, as well as those who are adamant about not reading another newsgroup and wanted to see everything all in one basket.

With the total size of Usenet (in number of newsgroups and total traffic) doubling every year or so, this is no insignificant contribution to reducing information noise and chaos. Making the discussion groups a catch-all, and making extra newsgroups filters on that catch-all, is also the most realistic way to implement such a scheme (It's not intuitively obvious what the charter, contents, and general appropriate topics for each and every newsgroup are. Seeing FAQ's and charter/intro postings in the home newsgroup is beneficial for new readers).

By cross-posting one only is adding a few tens of bytes to each bulletin (to specify the extra group on the Newsgroups line), but are adding the capability for very powerful filtering features available on most news servers, listservers and readers. Your local news guru could probably explain these features in more detail.

In rn, for example, according to Leanne Phillips in her rn kill-file FAQ, add a line of the form:

/Newsgroups:.*[,]rec\.radio\.info/h:j

either in ~/News/KILL (if you don't want to see rec.radio.info articles anywhere) or ~/News/rec/radio/amateur/misc/KILL (if you don't want to see them just in rec.radio.amateur.misc). The latter method means your kill file will only be consulted during rec.radio.amateur.misc (and hence runs more efficiently), and will probably work for most people.

In nn, according to Bill Wohler in his nn FAQ, add a line of the form:

rec.radio.info:!s/:^

in ~/.nn/kill (if you don't want to see rec.radio.info articles anywhere), or put the following lines:

sequence
rec.radio.info
rec.radio.

at the end of ~/.nn/init in order to see all the rec.radio.info bulletins first, then read the remaining rec.radio.* without the

bulletins.

In slrn, according to the srln FAQ, the following scoring rule will | allow you to see rec.radio.info-crossposted bulletins, while still | filtering out most SPAM or "Velveeta" crossposted to more than 2 | newsgroups (as such articles usually do not contain a 'Followup-To:' | header): |

Score: -9999 |
Newsgroups: ,.*, |
~Followup-To: . |

More information about kill files may be obtained from Dave Fawthrop's Killfile FAQ at:

http://www.hyphenologist.co.uk/killfile/

-- What is a 'follow-up', and what does 'moderated' mean?

If you are new to Usenet and are not familiar with the terminology, you might want to read the general introductory articles found in the newsgroup news.announce.newusers. Doing so will make your life on the net much easier, and will probably save you from making silly beginner's mistakes.

If you think that at this moment you are reading an echo, a conference, or a bulletin board, I'd also strongly suggest a trip over to news.announce.newusers.

For the rest of this article, we will assume you have a basic knowledge of Usenet terminology and mechanics.

A moderated group means that any article that needs to be posted to the group has to be accepted by the moderator of the group. Since we need to ensure that followups to an article (discussion) do not show up in the rec.radio.info newsgroup, the `Followup-To:' header line contains a newsgroup that is appropriate for discussions about the specific article.

-- OK, so now I know what 'moderated' means. Tell me more.

Rec.radio.info is a moderated newsgroup, which means that all articles submitted to the group will have to be approved by the moderator first.

The current moderator of the group is the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team. Submissions to rec.radio.info can be posted, or e-mailed to:

rec-radio-info@panix.com

Comments, criticisms, suggestions or questions about the group can be e-mailed to:

rec-radio-info-request@panix.com

But before you do so, please be sure to check out the "Posting Guidelines" article.

The influence of the moderator should be minimal and of an administrative nature, consisting chiefly of weeding out obviously inappropriate articles, while making sure correct headers etc. are used for the appropriate ones.

-- What type of material is considered inappropriate?

There are three broad categories of articles which will be rejected by the moderator:

1) Requests for information: rec.radio.info is strictly a one-way street. We receive information in our mailbox; we then post it to rec.radio.info. Requests for specific information belong in the normal discussion newsgroups. If your request gets answered, you might consider passing the answer on to rec.radio.info, though. Especially if you can edit it into a informational, rather than a discussion, format.

2) Obvious discussion articles, or articles that appear unsubstantiated.

3) Commercial stuff: a relatively unbiased test of a radio product would be accepted, but any hint of for-profit might be reason for rejection. For three reasons: This is not the purpose of the list, for-profit is a controversial topic, and this list may be passed onto Amateur Packet Radio (where for-profit is prohibited except under certain provisos).

rec.radio.swap may be more deserving of the posting in any matter.

Similarly, copyrighted material generally cannot be used. If it's TRULY worthwhile to the net, We would recommend obtaining permission from the copyright holder. Please note the source, and if permission was given. We reserve the right to make the final decision concerning appropriateness in all situations. In most cases, a brief summary of, or pointer to, the copyrighted information may be all we can allow.

-- I do not have access to news, how can I get the information posted to rec.radio.info?

Google has an excellent web interface to Usenet newsgroups. It is available at:

http://groups.google.com

It supports both reading and posting.

Another excellent web interface to at least the radio-related Usenet newsgroups is the RadioBanter site:

http://www.radiobanter.com

sponsored by the NewsgroupBanter project:

http://www.newsgroupbanter.com

It, too, supports both reading and posting.

-- Will the material appearing in rec.radio.info be archived somewhere?

Yes. See Google Groups and RadioBanter above.

Effectively this means that anything you post to rec.radio.info will be permanently stored, so your work will not be lost.

-- I have a regular posting with timely information, is there a way to speed up it's delivery, or automate for more convenience?

Yes, there is! It may take a bit of chatter with the moderator, but we are willing to take responsible people and provide them the means of posting the articles directly from their site. We will try everything we can as we fully realize that DX (distant signal) and astronomical data can be somewhat transitory. We are also willing to allow regular posters of information the same courtesy, even if the information is not as time critical.

We refer to this as self-moderation, which is partly based on the model for rec.answers/news.answers. This requires co-operation and goodwill to be beneficial to the community in the rec.radio hierarchy.

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms about this article to rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

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299. rec.radio.info Posting Guidelines

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-22 06:05:03 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/rec-radio-info/guidelines-1-1300773901@panix.com>
Source record: 4739
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.info,rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.answers,news.answers

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/rec-radio-info/guidelines
Revision: 1.5 2007/03/22 16:30:49
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

*** rec.radio.info - Posting Guidelines and Etiquette ***

Two introductory articles about rec.radio.info are posted to this group
and to rec.answers/news.answers every month. You are now reading the
second article, which explains how to submit something to
rec.radio.info, and which answers some Frequently Asked Questions about
the submission process. The first article is titled "Welcome to
rec.radio.info", and it might be a good idea to check it out as well.

-- How do I submit something to rec.radio.info?

Two possibilities. You can use your newsreading software to just post
the article to rec.radio.info, as you would do with any other
newsgroup. The difference is that the software recognizes the special
status of rec.radio.info as a moderated group, and will e-mail your
article to us, the moderation team, instead of posting it to the group.

Alternatively, you can mail your article directly to us at the following
address:

rec-radio-info@panix.com

Mailing us directly is probably (a wee bit) faster, but using the
transparency offered by the newsreading software is probably more
convenient.

If you have any questions, or wish to deal with some administrivia with
the moderation team, we suggest mailing to the following address:

rec-radio-info-request@panix.com

-- How soon will I see my article appear?

It depends on how busy we are. Your article reaches us as mail, we have
to read it first, give it the stamp of approval, and finally send it on
to the group. We will attempt to read and decide on all submissions
within 72 hours at the very least, though we will probably be able to
process submissions much faster in actual practice.
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The site from which we moderate this newsgroup, "Public Access Internet and Unix, NYC" (Panix), is directly connected to the Internet, and articles posted at that site should appear at most major news sites, including Google Groups, the same day. The principal delay, therefore, will be the wait in the moderator's submission queue.

If you post a periodic article, and have shown to be trustworthy, we may allow you to post directly if the article is of a timely nature. See the section below on direct posting.

-- Should my article be in a specific format?

No. If it is not totally illegible, we will accept it, and if it does not have a correct subject-line we will correct it with your permission -- that's what a moderator is for.

However.

You could do us a big favor by making sure your article conforms to these simple requirements:

1) The article must present information, not discussion or requests, We will reject the article or require you to change the wording if it is worth it.
2) A good, descriptive Subject line.
3) Always mention what source you got the information from.
4) Don't forget to include a Followup-To header, at least if you don't want further discussion to automatically be forwarded to you, the poster, which is the default if the article is only posted to rec.radio.info.

As we said: if your article is appropriate we will post it even if you don't follow these guidelines, but then don't blame us for not processing it immediately. 'Perfect' articles we can send on with a couple of keystrokes. Stuff that needs minor editing is going to have to wait until we have time to do so.

Please do not waste both our and your time by posting requests, as this is an information only news group.

-- What about crossposting?

If you send something to rec.radio.info, just name any group you'd like to cross-post to in the Newsgroups field. Then, when we approve the article for rec.radio.info it will get automatically cross-posted to any other groups mentioned. This will also override the default Followup-To: poster, replacing it with the groups you cross posted to.

We would prefer if the group be cross-posted to the various discussion groups in the rec.radio.* hierarchy that are appropriate:

rec.radio.amateur.misc Amateur (ham) radio and related matters
rec.radio.amateur.packet Amateur Packet Radio discussions
rec.radio.amateur.policy Amateur Radio practices, rules, etc.
rec.radio.noncomm Non commercial radio discussions

rec.radio.shortwave International broadcasting on the 'HF' bands
rec.radio.cb Citizens Band (27 MHz) discussion
rec.radio.scanner Scanner discussions (unsupported group)

or in one of the moderated groups:

rec.radio.amateur.moderated Amateur radio practices, rules, etc.
rec.radio.broadcasting Discussion of *domestic* radio broadcasting

We will leave it up to the poster to decide which group(s) are appropriate, but reserve the right to add groups if we feel it has broader interest. We will consult with the poster first.

Notes on crossposting:

- rec.radio.broadcasting is also a moderated group. The rec.radio.broadcasting moderator prefers to review all articles himself before posting. Placing rec.radio.broadcasting before rec.radio.info on the Newsgroups line should accomplish this. We will typically abide by the rec.radio.broadcasting moderator's decision whether the article is appropriate for rec.radio.info.

- rec.radio.amateur.moderated is also a moderated group. As the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team manages both rec.radio.amateur.moderated and rec.radio.info, we can manage crossposting and approvals for both newsgroups. The rec.radio.amateur.moderated group does not allow crossposting to other discussion newsgroups, whether moderated or unmoderated. However, we would like to manage rec.radio.info as consistently as possible with how it was done by previous moderators, including the grandfathering of existing regular postings. Therefore, the submitter can choose rec.radio.amateur.moderated or the other unmoderated rec.radio.amateur.* discussion newsgroups for crossposting, but not both.

- Any FAQ or informational posting approved by the rec.answers/news.answers moderation team that is also crossposted to any rec.radio.* newsgroup (besides just rec.radio.info) is also automatically pre-approved for rec.radio.info. See below for more information.

If you post to another moderated group, it may be better to make special arrangements with both moderators before posting by contacting us at our administrivia addresses.

In addition, cross-posts do not take up extra space; modern newsreaders can be configured to show you cross-posted articles only once anyway; not everybody reads rec.radio.info; and rec.radio.info was never meant to reduce the volume of the regular discussion newsgroups. But keep in mind that some of the mail gateways may filter out the informational postings (at request of the subscribers) to keep the load down.

You decide.

-- I have a regular posting with timely information, can I make arrangements to help speed up delivery by posting directly from my site?

Yes, there is! It may take a bit of chatter with the moderator, but we are willing to take responsible people and provide them the means of posting the articles directly from their site. We will try everything we can as we fully realize that DX (distant signal) and astronomical data can be somewhat transitory. We are also willing to allow regular posters of information the same courtesy, even if the information is not as timely.

We refer to this as self-moderation, which is partly based on the model for rec.answers/news.answers. This requires cooperation and good will to be beneficial to the community in the rec.radio.* hierarchy.

If you are currently maintaining (or plan to maintain) a radio-related periodic information posting, you may wish to consider crossposting it to rec.answers/news.answers. Postings that are approved by the rec.answers/news.answers moderators for this treatment are automatically pre-approved for crossposting to rec.radio.info (as the news.answers requirements are far more rigorous than the requirements this newsgroup ever plans to use). For more information about this option, consult the appropriate information articles and posting guidelines in rec.answers/news.answers.

Realize also, that even if your post is not approved for rec.answers/news.answers, it can still be approved for rec.radio.info. The intention is not so much to get every last bit of radio-related information on rec.answers/news.answers, but rather to provide an alternative avenue of approval (as well as grandfather existing maintainers of radio-related information and spare them additional bureaucratic hurdles). Again, crossposting to either rec.radio.info or rec.answers/news.answers, both, or neither, is at the discretion of the poster (subject to the approval of the moderators). You decide what is most appropriate for your article.

Please remember that as an information maintainer, you are not alone. There are many others on the net who maintain and post periodic information postings, using various intermediate-to-advanced features of Usenet (usually via automated tools). Various degrees of technical support and general hand-holding are available from many Usenet veterans. Send us some E-mail describing your needs to our administrative address below, and we'll try to help, or at least refer you to the right knowledgeable individual(s).

-- And Follow-ups?

If the only newsgroup you have specified is rec.radio.info, then the Followup-To: field will always be set to poster. If you do not want this, you must supply a Followup-To line of your own, and we will honor that one, as long as it is a subset of the original Newsgroups line.

If you specify newsgroups to cross-post to, then the Followup-To field will be set to include all the cross-posted groups, excepting rec.radio.info itself. Again, if you do not wish this behavior, supply your own Followup-To line.

We maintain other standards on the various RFC-1036 (news transport) header lines. For example, if the article is appropriate for passing into the Packet Radio Information Network, we encapsulate the Packet Bulletin Identifier (BID) in the Message-ID: news header line indicating the machine of origin as the ampr.org domain:

Message-ID: <$opa.55.1994@ampr.org> |

where the Packet Radio BID, in this example, is `$OPA.55', and it was posted in the year 1994, because some of the Bid numbers are cycled yearly. Hopefully, this can be used as a key to re-introduce the articles for the Packet Radio network. Also, if the article is a repost of an already existing information article in the rec.radio heirarchy, we ensure that the References: header line is linked to that previously posted article. This also helps to tag articles, and may be used for additional filtering if needed.

Since the articles are archived, please use the Summary and Keywords header lines to help one search for your article.

-- Why have I received no reply from you?

We never reject anything in silence, and we make a point of it to answer all our mail. However, E-mail, like a brain cell, can and does get lost, every now and again.

So, if you send us something, and you don't see it appear it rec.radio.info, and you still have not heard from us in reply after say, five days, you can be pretty sure that either your mail never reached us, or that our answer has never reached you. In that case, please try again (We will filter out duplicates).

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms about this article to rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

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300. [DXNL] DXNL 1720 (Mar 23, 2011)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-22 20:19:21 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <136703301843.20110322211639@dxhf.darc.de>
Source record: 4740
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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translation by: Bob, DL7VOA
(e-mail: dl7voa@darc.de)

A5 - BHUTAN
Zorro,JH1AJT, and Jay,JA1TRC, who are also part of the S21YZ team,
are going to be active as A51A and A51J from Bhutan from Mar 23-28.
QSL cards for both calls should be sent via bureau or direct to JH1AJT.

GJ - JERSEY, EU-013
Russell,G5XW, is expected to show up as GJ5XW on all bands from
Jersey (EU-013, WLOTA 0818) from Mar 24-28 including the WPX SSB.
QSL via G5XW, direct only!

Pete,MJ/K8PT, and Craig,MJ/K3PLV, will be active in CW, SSB and RTTY
on all bands as well from Mar 22-30. QSLs via homecalls.

S7 - SEYCHELLES, AF-024
Norbert,F6AXX, Romain,F8DSI, and Bernard,F5HEW, will be QRV from
Mahe (AF-024) signing S79UFT in CW and PSK from Mar 24 until Apr 15.
S79UFT can be found in PSK on the usual QRGs and in CW preferably on:
3524, 7013, 10115, 14025, 18083, 21025, 24903 and 28025 kHz.
QSL cards should be sent via REF bureau or direct to F6AXX.

SV5 - DODEKANES, EU-001
Martin,ON4PO, plans to be active as J45PO mostly in SSB and some PSK
between Mar 23 and Apr 2. The operations take place from the contest
station SX5P on Rhodos (EU-001). Martin and some friends will join the
upcoming WPX SSB Contest. QSL for J45PO via ON4PO, for SX5P via SV5FRD.

V3 - BELIZE
Jim,V31MM (WB2REM), Paul,V31PM (W4PGM), and Glenn,V31GB (KD2JA), will
show up from Placentia in Belize from Mar 23-30 and V31MM will be used
in the WPX SSB Contest as well. The trio plans to work in SSB and CW
on 160m-6m, especially on the WARC bands and 6m.
Unfortunately QSLs only direct via their homecalls.

V8 - BRUNEI, OC-088
John,9M6XRO, will be QRV again as V85/9M6XRO from Brunei (OC-088) from Mar 23-27. John will work in CW/SSB/RTTY on 80m-10m using an IC-7000, an IC 2KL amplifier and his Butternut HF6V antenna.
His QSL manager will be M0URX again and cards can be sent via bureau, direct or LoTW. Requests can be placed also via OQRS at:
http://www.m0urx.com/qsl-request-form

VP5 - TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS, NA-002
Dave,VP5/W5CW, will stay in "VP5JM Hamlet" again on the island of Providenciales (NA-002, WLOTA 1476) between Mar 23 and Apr 20. He will be QRV in CW and SSB on 160m-6m and Dave plans to use the special callsign VQ51V in following contests: SP DX Contest (Apr 2/3), JIDX CW Contest (Apr 9/10) and YU DX Contest (Apr 16/17).
QSL cards only direct to PO Box 88, Morris, OK 74445-0088, USA.

ZF2 - CAYMAN ISLANDS, NA-016
Adrian,AA5UK, will be QRV as ZF2AE from Grand Cayman (NA-016) between Mar 25 and Apr 2 and as ZF2AE/ZF8 from Little Cayman (in the WPX SSB). He works "holiday style" in SSB/RTTY/PSK31 on 40m-10m and via satellite (AO-51, SO-50, VO-52, FO-29) with an IC-7000 and a vertical.
Listen for him during his afternoons and evenings.
QSLs via bureau, direct, LoTW or eQSL to AA5UK.

8P - BARBADOS, NA-021
Cal,WF5W (8P9CW), Bill,K5WAF (8P9WF), Bob,WB5IUU (8P9UU), and Paul,W5PF (8P9PF), are going to activate Barbados (NA-021) in CW, SSB and RTTY from Mar 24 until Apr 3 (including the WPX SSB Contest).
QSL cards for all calls should be sent via bureau or direct to W5PF.

9L - SIERRA LEONE
The four Dutch HAMs Arie,PA3A, Arie,PA3AN, Ad,PA8AD, Bas,PD0CAV, and Dickson,EL2DT, plan to become active from Sierra Leone signing 9L5MS in CW, SSB and RTTY on 160m-6m from Mar 29 until Apr 18. They want to work with three stations (including amplifiers) and their antennas will be yagis (for 20m-6m) and verticals (for 30m-160m).
QSL via bureau or direct to PA3AWW.
More information about the project can be found at:
http://www.sierraleone2011.com/sl_2011/home.php
QSL cards can be requested online as well and a video announcement of their DXpedition can be found on YouTube at:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-KoY7lwjcRs

9N - NEPAL
DK7AN, DK5WL, DL4SVA and DL9GFB (maybe there will be a little change due to the QRL of DL4SVA) applied for the callsign 9N7AA to be active on all HF bands plus 2m/EME between Mar 26 and Apr 8. Their QTH will be Dhulikel near Kathmandu. Their equipment includes K3 radios and amps, a Spiderbeam and HF9V for the high bands respectively verticals and dipoles for 160m-30m. If they have internet access and the power supply makes it possible they will provide an online log also. The paths to Europa and North America are diffult due to the Himalaja mountains.
The team asks everybody to listen to the OPs on the bands.

Their QSL manager will be DL4SVA, direct via Georg Tretow, PO Box 1114,
23931 Grevesmuehlen, Germany or via bureau.

FRANCE, SPECIAL EVENT STATION
Ile de la Passion was discovered 300 years ago on Apr 3, 1711. Today we
know this island with its modern name Clipperton Island. To celebrate
this some members of the Clipperton DX Club will activate the special
event station TM300CDXC from Mar 28 until Apr 11. QSL via F5IL.

PHILIPPINES / USA, SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS
Remembering the 69th anniversary of the "Bataan Death March" the
special event station 4D69DM will be activated at Mount Samat in Bataan
on Luzon Island on Apr 9. The OPs will be DU1IVT, DU1RP, DU1UGZ, DU3BS
and DU3LCA. The "Death March of Bataan" was a Japanese war crime and
took place in the Philippines in 1942.

Another special event station will be operated from the US for this
event on Mar 27. K5B will be activated by the "Mesilla Valley Radio
Club" in Las Cruces/New Mexico. The preferred frequenzies will be
in SSB on 3893, 7225, 14330 and 21337 kHz and in PSK on 14070 kHz.
More information about this event and the QSL route can be found at:
http://www.n5bl.org/bataan

SILENT KEYS: Following DXers passed away last week:
Thomas Klaus (DL2RTK), Reg Moores (G3GZT), Don Hayter (G3JHM),
Mike Wheaton (G4ZPE), Charles Kenneth Rollins (K8LGT),
Jose Daniel Bernardini (LU8EDR) and Vladimir I. Prihodko (UA4HAU)

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de
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Are you interested to join a DXpedition to Vanuatu in October?
More information can be found at the homepage of the "Oceania Amateur
Radio DX Group": http://www.odxg.org

An online log of VU4PB is available on the website:
http://arsi.info/dxpeditions/vu4pb-mar-2011/log-search

The Visalia DX Convention will take place once again by the mid of
April. Find more information at: http://dxconvention.org

The online log of HR5/F2JD is available at:
http://lesnouvellesdx.fr/voirlogs.php

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Mar 26/27: CQ World-Wide WPX Contest, SSB

IOTA collected by Fredy,DE0MST (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AF-014, CT3, Madeira Archipelago: Helmut,CT9/DF7ZS, is going to be active
from Mar 22-29. QSL via DF7ZS. Helmut will join the WPX SSB Contest
in the single OP/allband class as CQ3L. QSLs for CQ3L via DJ6QT.

AS-155, BV, Taiwan's Coastal Islands: A group of Taiwanese OPs will be QRV
as BV100 from Shaio-Liu-Chiu Island during the WPX SSB Contest on
Mar 26/27. QSL via BV2KI (bureau/direct). See: http://www.bv100.tw/EN

EU-014, TK, Corsica Island (main): Chris,TK/F8DZY, is working from Corsica
(DIFM TK-001) between Mar 23 and Apr 17. QSL via homecall.

EU-054, I*9, Egadi Islands: A group of Italian HAMs will sign IF9A from
Favignana Island (IIA TP-011) from Mar 24-27. QSL via IT9ATF.

NA-102, FG, Guadeloupe: Gildas,F6HMQ, is active as TO11A from the island of
Guadeloupe (DIFO FG-001) between Mar 20 and Apr 1. QSL via homecall.

OC-086, KH0, Northern Mariana Islands: Eri,JF1VGZ, and Masa,JA1MFR, will
show up as KH0/KH7ERI and KH0/WN1Y from Saipan (USI NI002S) from
Mar 25-29. QSLs for both calls via JF1VGZ (direct, see QRZ.com).

OC-088, 9M/V8/YB7, Borneo (main): Valery,9M6/UA3QNS, is working from Sabah/
East Malaysia until Mar 23. QSL via homecall (bureau/direct/LoTW).

OC-164, VK6, WA State (SW Coast) South Group: John,VK6HZ/p, has been spotted
from Rottnest Island from Mar 20-27. QSL via VK6IR (bureau/direct).

G4MFX - Greenland Trip: Graham,OX/G4MFX, will be QRV from Greenland in SSB
on 40m/20m/17m with 5 watts QRP between Mar 24 and Apr 18:
Mar 24-Apr 9 Sisimiut NA-018
Apr 10-15 Ilulissat NA-018
Apr 16-18 Aasiaat Island NA-134
QSL via homecall (bureau/direct).

Lighthouse activities (WLOTA/ARLHS/ILLW)

CQ2L D 2755 Madeira Island Mar 22-29
CT9/DF7ZS D 2755 Madeira Island Mar 22-29
GJ5XW A 1622 Jersey Island Mar 24-28
IF9A E 1952 Favignana Island Mar 24-27
JW/F8DVD L 4318 Spitzbergen Apr 1-8
TK/F8DZY E 0864 Korsika Mar 23-Apr 17
TO11A J 5704 Guadeloupe Mar 20-Apr 1
VK6HZ/p K 1760 Rottnest Island Mar 20-27
ZF2AE/p LH 1042 Grand Cayman Mar 23-Apr 5
ZF2AE/ZF8 LH 1490 Little Cayman Mar 23-Apr 5
9M6/UA3QNS F 1988.3 Borneo Island until Mar 23

Bandspots of the last 7 days

160m

JT5DX 1.826 1816Z via JT1CO (B)
4L5O 1.824 1903Z via N3SL (B)

80m
6V7D 3.522 0140Z via UA0SE

40m
EA4URJ/p 7.081 1235Z SOTA MD-020
PJ2/N5HZ 7.050 2156Z
TI2KWN 7.005 0615Z (d)

30m
EA2NN/p 10.132 0844Z SOTA VI-001
V25OP 10.106 2149Z via W9OP (B, L), eQSL
VR2UW 10.107 1645Z (d)

20m
EA8/G1INK/p 14.282 1634Z SOTA LA-011
EA8/G1INK/p 14.285 1414Z SOTA LA-002
EA8/G1INK/p 14.342 1735Z SOTA LA-007
EA8/G1INK/p 14.288 1140Z SOTA LA-008
EA8/G1INK/p 14.342 1554Z SOTA LA-005
J6/VE3CZF 14.218 2015Z (d) QRZ.com
SV3IEG/1/p 14.325 1312Z SOTA ST-022
V4/K5MV 14.185 2113Z (L)
V85RY 14.245 1333Z via EA7FTR
VK4LDX/p 14.265 1632Z OC-138, via VK8PDX (B)
VP2V/G3PHO 14.195 1125Z via G3PHO (B)
VU4PB 14.024 1707Z via W3HNK (d)
3D2A 14.020 1118Z via VK4AN (B)
9M6/UA3QNS 14.215 1342Z OC-088, via homecall (B, L)

17m
CN2MR 18.070 1815Z via MJ0ASP (B), (L)
J79M 18.088 1826Z via SM3PHM (B), (L)
P43A 18.162 1849Z (d)
V521NAM 18.075 1821Z (B)
VP5/VE3OP 18.090 1629Z via VE3OP (B), (L)
4A4A 18.104 1624Z RTTY, via EB7DX (d)
4A4A 18.070 1646Z via EB7DX (d)

15m
CO6LC 21.300 1210Z (d)
CX2DK 21.290 1214Z (B)
D2AM 21.283 1456Z via OM5AM (B)
EA8/DL3KVR 21.045 1730Z via DL3KVR (B)
FG/DL1CW 21.034 1700Z NA-107, via HC (B)
PJ2/W5ZPA 21.310 1453Z via W5ZPA (B), (L)
PJ7DX 21.276 1521Z via I8NHJ
RI1FJ (FJL) 21.005 1020Z via UA2FM (d)
V25OP 21.026 1719Z via W9OP (B, L), eQSL
VK4LDX/p 21.257 1030Z OC-138, via VK8PDX (B)

VU4PB 21.024 1018Z via W3HNK (d)
4A4A 21.010 1832Z via EB7DX (d)
9M6/UA3QNS 21.250 1256Z OC-088, via HC (B, L)

12m
AP2NK 24.894 0748Z via W3HNK (d)
BA7IO 24.892 1040Z (B), (L)
CN2MR 24.894 1703Z via MJ0ASP (B), (L)
CO6RD 24.892 1531Z via 8P9NX (B)
CT9/DL3KWR 21.002 1702Z via DL3KWR (B)
CT8/G3SXW 21.017 1717Z via G3SXW (B, (L)
JT5DX 24.891 0748Z via JT1CO (B)
S21YZ 24.911 1138Z via JH1AJT (B), (L)
TJ3FC 24.950 0810Z via F5LGE (B)
V44KJ 24.956 1517Z via WB2TSL
VE2CSI 24.898 1534Z via M0URX (B)
VP8LP 24.966 1500Z (d), (L), eQSL
VU2RBI 24.945 0804Z (d)
ZF2LC 24.896 1528Z via W2SM (B), (L)
ZL1BYZ 24.907 0740Z (B), (L)
4A4A 24.904 1724Z NA-030, via EB7DX (d)
9M2MRS 24.898 0746Z via PA0RRS (B)

10m
A92IO 28.003 1443Z via EI3IO (B)
EA8/G1INK/p 28.555 1642Z SOTA LA-005
HS0ZIN 28.470 0900Z (B)
VK2BJ 28.025 0905Z
VU3DJQ 28.502 0857Z via EA7FTR

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DATE CALL DXNL

21Mar-26Mar 2E0WMG.. 1719
15Mar-02Apr 3D2A 1719
-Dec 3Y8XSA 1700/1717
-25Oct 5B50J 1700
20Mar-01Apr 5P5K 1719
20Feb-14Apr 5X1NH 1715
-Apr/12 5Z4RH ? 1674

01Feb-31Mar 6W2SC/J5UAP 1712
09Mar-23Mar 7P8PB 1718
09Mar-29Mar 8P9AA 1719
24Mar-03Apr 8P9CW 1720 *

13Mar-30Mar 9A/VE3ZIK 1718
-Sep 9J2KK 1682
29Mar-18Apr 9L5MS 1720 *
-Apr 9M2MRS 1697
NOW 9M6/KM9D 1699
-23Mar 9M6/UA3QNS 1720 *
26Mar-08Apr 9N7AA 1720 *
SOON 9Q1EK 1669
-Nov 9Q6CC 1699

23Mar-28Mar A51A & A51J 1720 *
-Aug A92IO 1663
-31Dec BP100 1684
-31Dec BV100 1684
-01May CN2PV 1714
22Mar-29Mar CT9/DF7ZS 1719
10Mar-06Apr CT9/DL3KWR.. 1718
-31Dec CW5RV 1711
-May D2AK 1675
-22Apr D2QR 1675
-31Aug DL20Y2DM 1700
09Mar-31Mar FG/F6ITD 1718
-Aug FO8RZ 1636
-27Mar FP/W6HGF 1718
-Jul/12 FR8NE 1710
-Mar FT5YK/p.. 1715

24Mar-28Mar GJ5XW 1720 *
13Jan-12Apr H44MS 1710
-31Dec HB60LU 1711
01Jan-31Dec HG200LST 1708
-30Jun HG2011A 1713
Mar -May HI3/KL7JR 1717
-May HR5/F2JD 1718
01Jan-31Dec IA7MM 1708
24Mar-27Mar IF9A 1720 *
01Jan-31Dec II1ITA.. 1708
01Mar-30Sep IO4UI 1717
01Jan-31Mar IO7DAI 1708

-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul/12 J28RO 1683
23Mar-02Apr J45PO 1720 *
21Feb-28Mar J73CCM.. 1715
14Mar-29Mar K4J 1719
27Mar K5B 1720 *
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
POSTPONED KH5 1674/1705
25Mar-29Mar KH0/KH7ERI.. 1720 *
-31Dec LA200D 1713
-31Mar LM11SKI 1713

NOW LU1ZA (S.O.) 1695
22Mar-30Mar MJ/K8PT.. 1720 *
24Mar-18Apr OX/G4MFX 1720 *

-Sep P29CW 1713
01Jan-31Dec PA30.. 1708
15Mar-30Mar PJ2/DO7DP 1719
22Mar-06Apr PJ2/K2PLF.. 1719
-Dec RI1ANC 1708
17Mar-28Mar RZ0SR/6W 1719
15Mar-29Mar S21YZ 1719
24Mar-15Apr S79UFT 1720 *
2010 -May T6JC & T6TL 1695
23Mar-17Apr TK/F8DZY 1720 *
28Mar-11Apr TM00CDXC 1720 *
20Mar-01Apr TO11A (FG) 1719

-Mar V21ZG 1716
23Mar-30Mar V31MM.. 1720 *
16Feb-30Mar V47JA.. 1715
23Mar-27Mar V85/9M6XRO 1720 *
20Mar-27Mar VK6HZ/p 1720 *
19Mar-29Mar VK9CF 1719
-Mar/12 VK0KEV (Macq) 1700/1701
23Mar-20Apr VP5/W5CW 1720 *
15Mar-31Mar VU4PB 1718
NOW XT2RJA 1712
02Mar-28Mar XU7FMZ 1717
20Mar-26Mar Z22CW 1719*
-Sep ZD9GI 1691
25Mar-02Apr ZF2AE 1720 *
-31Dec ZL50GH 1711
01Jan-31Mar ZL50VK 1708
-11Apr ZS8M 1674/1711

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

BG3EKH via BA3AO
CT8/SM6C via SM6JSM
EA8/DM8MM via DM8MM (B)
ED5GUI via EA5GUI (B)
F9IE/VK2/p via F9IE (B)
FG/DL1CW via DL1CW (B)
FP/N9JZ/p via N9JZ (B)
HA50HG via HA0HG (B)
HG20MAT via HA3OD (B)
II6ICA via I6HWD (B)
IO2UDI via IQ2LZ (B)

J6/MJ0SIT via MJ0SIT (B), (L), eQSL
J68PJ via G3PJT (B)
J79M via SM3PHM (B), (L)
K4J via KP4JRS eQSL only
KH6/VE7AHA via VE7AHA
KP2/W1MJ via W1MJ
KP4/KH2RU via NP3O (d)
LU/FT5YK via F5PFP (B)
LZ85R via LZ1BJ (B)
LZ1370PRT via LZ bureau
LZ3ZZ via LZ1YE (d)
NO8DX/20 via KB8BW
OF50VRA via OH4TY (B)
OL1911VP via OK1DRQ (B)
OL7H via OK1HC (B)
PJ2/N5HZ via N5HZ
PJ2/PE2B via PE2B
PJ2/W5ZPA via W5ZPA (B)
S21YZ via JH1AJT (B), (L)
Z22CW via DK7PE (B)
TG7WW via KD4POJ (B), (L)
3D2A via VK4AN (B)
3D2DX via EA4DX
5Q2J via OZ2JBC (B), (L)
5R8FL via G3SWH (B)
5R8XB via ON8XB
7P8KDJ via W5KDJ (B)

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(r) = e-mail request

QSLs arrived direct: PJ7E (N4NX), 9J2YO (YO4ATW)

QSLs arrived bureau: TA7OM

CQWW WPX Contest, SSB - Further announcements:

The CQWW WPX Contest in SSB will take place on Mar 26/27.
Following stations announced to be active (and were not mentioned before):

Call Class QSL route

BV100 multi/? BV2KI
BX5AA SOAB HP BX5AA
CE3G multi/single CE3WDH
CN2BC SOAB LP DL7BC
ED1R multi/single EA4RCH
EI6DX multi/single RX3RC
HQ2W multi/single OK1DOT

HI3TEJ SOAB LP direct
HS0ZDG SOAB K4YT
IF9A multi/single IT9ATF
IH9YMC SOSB eQSL
II9T multi/single IT9ESW
J28RO SOAB F8DFP
KH2RU/KP4 multi/? NP3O (direct)
KV4FZ SOAB LP
LS1D multi/? LW9EOC
LX7I SOAB LX2A
P40M multi/single W3HNK
P40W SOAB N2MM & LoTW
PX2V multi/single PX2KJ
TO5A (FM) SOAB HP BX5AA
VC2B multi/single VE2BR
VK4WIP multi/single VK4WIP
VK9CF SOAB K8NA
VP9I SOAB N1HRA
VQ51V SOAB W5CW
XR6T multi/2 CE3FED
XU7FMZ SOSB JA1FMZ
ZF2AE/ZF8 SOAB LP LoTW
4W3A SOAB LP M0OXO (direct)
5B/HA5PP SOAB HA5PP
5D5A multi/2 I2WIJ & LoTW
5Z4EE SOAB HP NV7E
8P3A SOAB LP VE3DZ
8P5A SOAB NN1N or LoTW

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F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX, SWL Norbert Maibaum and others.

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http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxmb/2011

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301. MMMonVHF Newsletter 2011-03-23

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-23 08:43:07 UTC
From: MMMonVHF News Mailer <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <201103230801.p2N81N1S028757@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 4741
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our lastet NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2011-03-23
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter, once a week (thursday)
from now on - if any special activities will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further detail please be so kind and watch our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you vy welcome for any
input and we do hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!
(SORRY, one day earlier this week, due to QRL trip end of 8EBW)

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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** EME Meeting past Weekend at the QTH of DF7KF **

A very nice and small EME Meeting took place at the QTH of Dith,
DF7KF past weekend. DL8YHR, DL7HR, PA3CSG, DM1CG, DL2OM, DK2ZF, DF2ZC,
DF7KF and DL8EBW meet together and discussed theories of antennas here
specially the used polarizations V / H / CIR). As well a big
thanks to Rolf, DK2ZF for showing us the CE0Y/CE2 expedition films
SOURCE: Guy, DL8EBW, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

** MMMonVHF was OFF at 22nd, march due to PROVIDER trouble **

We are sorry to announce that the pages (or part of it) was
down due to provider trouble at the 22nd, march. Several people
asked about an virus, but sure it was not in our hands... ;-)
SOURCE: Guy, DL8EBW, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: BY ; Square: NL97-OL14 ; Start: 2011-03-20 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3681

BY8 EME Expedition as BJ8TA at NL97UT and OL14KQ
LATEST News from BD5RV, Michael, at BJ8TA 2011-03-22 15UT:

shangri-la is 3300m above the sea level. Working here is a lot more
tired than it used to be. That's why the antenna work takes longer
than expected. yesterday, we also experienced failures in the control
unit of transverter and power supply part of LNA. It also takes
several hours to get them fixed. Anyway, we are going to on air
around the moonrise here today...
SOURCE: tnx to Michael Chen, BD5RV/8, direct to MMMonVHF
Meantime they was qrv these afternoon
15:18 BJ8TA Michael 144.123 tx 1st, jt65b NL97ut
15:17 BJ8TA Michael BJ8TA is now on air NL97ut
Later the night they was as well qrv but still have had trouble...

** EN38 and EN48 Grid Expedition June 11th-16th 50 & 144 Mhz **

Greetings, A group of us from Wisconsin will be activating EN38 and
EN48 during the ARRL's June VHF Contest and for a few days after.
See our website for details: http://k9mu.com/k0w/ 73, Justin, K9MU
SOURCE: tnx to Andy, N8OFS, direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** 5P5K qrv from from Romo Island (IOTA EU-125, Grid Loc. JO45) **

Stefan, DL7AOS, will be using the special callsign 5P5K from Romo
Island (IOTA EU-125, DIA NS-001, Grid Loc. JO45), Jutland, Tï¿½nder
Municipality, South Denmark Region, between 20th March and 1st April
2011. QRV on 80-6 metres using a FT-857 with 500w into a vertical
antenna near the beach. He will also participate in the CQWW WPX SSB
Contest (March 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry.
QSL via DL7AOS, direct or bureau.
SOURCE: [OPDX Bulletin] via ICPO Bulletin (18-25 March 2011)

** VP8DMH in FC52wk First 6m EME from Antarctica! **

I am THRILLED to announce that VP8DMH is finally QRV and has a GREAT
signal tonight! I completed with him at 0202Z on March 19, 2011 when
his antenna was elevated and the moon was over 18 degrees high over
his mountains. His 73 peaked -20 dB in the speaker here on JT65A
mode. Mike was my 6m DXCC #165 (#114 via 6m EME). He also worked
W1JJ, K2ZD, W7MEM and is still going strong working people as I write
this. Degradation is -1.1 and Kp is 0.7 ... 6m EME CNDX this weekend
simply could not be any better ;-) Mike is using a K3 with PR6 preamp
M2 6M8GJ yagi (with manual aiming in az and el), and an ACOM 1000 amp
His email is good on QRZ.com and he is on the ON4KST EME chat when QRV
PSE QSL via G0VGS and send any contributions for the 6M8GJ yagi to

G8BCG, who paid for the antenna and shipping himself. GL and VY 73
SOURCE: Lance, W7GJ at [Magic Band EME]

** SV5/PA1FJ/p qrv from Pigadia village, island of Karpathos **

Fred, PA1FJ, will be active as SV5/PA1FJ/p from Pigadia village, island of Karpathos (IOTA EU-001, GIOTA DKS-016, MIA MGD-013, WLOTA 1570, WW Loc. KM35OM) on 8-14 May 2011. QRV on 40-6 metres, using a FT-817, Buddistick and 2x5m dipole. QSL via home call, bureau preferred.
SOURCE: [rsgbiota.org] via ICPO Bulletin (18-25 March 2011)

** GB1KLD from the isle of Hirta, St.Kilda on HF and 50 MHz **

Peter M0NED, Steve M6ZIX and Paul 2E0GDD plan to be active as GB1KLD from the isle of Hirta (IOSA OL02, SCOTIA DI23), St. Kilda (IOTA EU-059) between the 31st of May and 3rd of June 2011. They will have 2 stations on 80-6 metres. Some experimental FM on 10m and 6m if conditions are good. Sea conditions on the 50 mile crossing may result in a delay to station setup or extended operting days. QSL via the RSGB bureau. Updates will be on the website: http://stkilda.ukradio.eu/
SOURCE: [rsgbiota.org] via ICPO Bulletin (18-25 March 2011)

** LA1QDA qrv from Sotra Island (JP20) on HF and 50 MHz **

Helge, LA1QDA will be active from Sotra Island [Store Sotra] (IOTA EU-055, WW Loc. JP20MH) on 11-31 July 2011. He plans to be QRV on 80-6 metres, mainly SSB and CW. QSL via his home call, direct or bureau.
SOURCE: [rsgbiota.org] via ICPO Bulletin (18-25 March 2011)

** DL4FO, active as OZ/homecall in JO55 on HF and 50 MHz **

Look for Chris, DL4FO, to be active as OZ/homecall on 17-29 July 2011 from Tuno [Tunoe, Tunï¿½] Island (IOTA EU-172, DIA JY-009, WW Loc. JO55FW). Chris will be QRV on all HF bands, plus 6 metres, mainly CW. QSL via home call, bureau preferred.
SOURCE: [rsgbiota.org] via ICPO Bulletin (18-25 March 2011)

** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php) to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 2359 UTC ...

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The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF - Newsletter Credits & Info

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Our Newsletter is compiled from the input of the USER of the
VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF and as well by a lot of free usable
HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats
like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USER who did send us info and News **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/kontact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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302. Well... I'm home now... Back from 8 years of NimBusters Fun and Games!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-23 19:34:02 UTC
From: LLoyd Davies <lloydvfp2011@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <64b4ce1c-1ea7-4b1b-a207-b4c28a763602@x1g2000yqb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4742

Nimbusters is about taken in flames from a one named Bryan Reo and
some other Christian Identity kooks..

Yesterday, someone from the NimBoard posted a death threat to one of
BR's kook buddies..

And Stan said if another threat is posted, he was taking the
NimBusters board down for GOOD this time..

Been on NimBusters for many years.. Took Roger and co with me for one
hell of a ride and now We're all coming back now!!

Let's have fun again!!!

303. SEX IMAGES

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-24 13:45:13 UTC
From: BASS <dalermehandi9247@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <12122acd-533b-4bcb-8b39-99d2bb267f17@a11g2000pro.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4743

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http://cinyworld96.blogspot.com/2011/03/richa-gangopadyay.html

304. The ARRL Letter for March 24, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-24 19:42:11 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20110324190455.C9B6F23F8A@bmail.arrl.org>
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==> + PUBLIC SERVICE: RADIO AMATEURS IN JAPAN STILL PROVIDING
COMMUNICATIONS SUPPORT

Amateur Radio operators became involved in the rescue effort soon
after the March 11 8.9 earthquake and devastating tsunami that hit
northern Japan, and that effort continues nearly two weeks later. "In
the early stage following the earthquake and tsunami, several radio
amateurs were able to activate their stations with car batteries or
small engine generators, despite the electric power outages," IARU
Region 3 Secretary Ken Yamamoto, JA1CJP, told the ARRL. "They
transmitted rescue requests and information on the disaster situation
-- including refugee centers and their needs -- and the availability of
basic infrastructures, such as electricity, water and gas supplies."
After the earthquake and tsunami, there was no electricity, water or
gas service in many of the affected areas.

<http://www.arrl.org/images/view/News/JP_TLL0311_CT.JPG> In his
report to the ARRL, Yamamoto said that the Japan Amateur Radio League
(JARL) activated JA1RL -- its headquarters station in Tokyo -- soon
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after the earthquake. With the help of many other amateurs, it also activated its regional headquarters station JA3RL in Osaka to communicate with the amateurs in the damaged areas, including its Tohoku headquarters station JA7RL in Sendai. "The communications were mostly on the 7 MHz band in daytime and the 3.5 MHz band at night," Yamamoto explained. "Short range communications were also made on the 144 and 430 MHz bands. The information gathered through Amateur Radio communications was reported to the rescue and disaster relief organizations for their appropriate deployment. Some other amateurs accepted health-and-welfare inquiries from the [impacted] areas and they posted the information on the Internet." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/radio-amateurs-in-japan-still-providing-communications-support>.

==> + PUBLIC SERVICE: AMATEURS ASSIST WITH OCEAN RESCUE

At 10:04 AM PDT on March 21, Rex Weinheimer, KC5AGO, of Stonewall, Texas -- a member of the Maritime Mobile Service Net (MMSN) -- heard and responded to a "weak and broken MAYDAY call." The call was from the sailing vessel Gloria Jean, a 30 foot sailboat that was in the Pacific Ocean about 120 miles west of Ensenada, Mexico. Weinheimer heard the distress call on 14.300 MHz, a frequency monitored by the MMSN.

MMSN Net Controller Lee Langford, KG4DZN, told the ARRL that through the combined efforts of several net stations, the net was able to ascertain the situation and the position of the stricken vessel. MMSN operators contacted both the US and Mexican Coast Guards and both services deployed assets to the scene. The US Coast Guard dispatched an MH-60 Jayhawk helicopter from San Diego and a C-130 Hercules plane from Sacramento. According to the USCG, the Gloria Jean had no propulsion, food, water or safety equipment. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/amateurs-assist-with-ocean-rescue>.

==> + FCC NEWS: FCC SEEKING COMMENTS ON ARRL PETITION REGARDING TDMA

Earlier this month, the ARRL filed a Petition for Rulemaking and a Request for Temporary Waiver with the FCC, seeking authorization of the use of single-time-slot Time Division Multiple Access (TDMA) emissions in the amateur bands at and above 50 MHz, wherever multiple-time-slot TDMA is authorized. The FCC has designated the Petition as RM-11625 and is soliciting comments on it. Comments may be filed electronically and will be accepted until April 22 . Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-seeking-comments-on-arrl-petition-regarding-tdma>.

==> ARRL RECOGNIZES: NOMINATIONS FOR ARRL AWARDS NOW OPEN

Each year, the ARRL Board of Directors has the opportunity to select recipients for a number of awards in various categories that honor Amateur Radio operators. The nomination period is now open for those ARRL awards that recognize educational and technological pursuits in Amateur Radio. There are also awards to honor a young Amateur Radio

operator and an outstanding ARRL Section Manager. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/nominations-for-arrl-awards-now-open>.

==> + ON THE AIR: NIST TO CONDUCT TIME AND FREQUENCY USER SURVEY

The National Institute of Standards and Technology's (NIST) Time and Frequency Division is conducting a survey to learn more about its users, seeking to determine how the agency can make its services more useful in the future. NIST services include WWV, WWVH and WWVB, which provide reference time and frequency signals via radio. The NIST also provides the Internet Time Service -- which provides accurate time synchronization to computer systems -- and several other services to offer accurate time information via telephone or web pages. Radio amateurs are encouraged to complete the survey. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/nist-to-conduct-time-and-frequency-user-survey>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "The Earth turns, the Sun burns, but I die without you <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5L_wOdWD2t0>" Cook, K7RA, reports: For the second week in a row, all solar indicators were lower. The average daily sunspot numbers declined more than 28 points from the week before to 40.9, while the average daily solar flux was off more than 18 points to 94.8. But looking at solar images from the STEREO mission <http://stereo.gsfc.nasa.gov/>, we can see a great deal of activity about to rotate toward us over the Sun's eastern horizon. The whole "back" side of our Sun looks very busy. The NOAA forecast for March 23 for the planetary A index and solar flux still is not available, but the March 22 forecast sees solar flux for March 24-31 at 110, 115, 120, 120, 120, 125, 130 and 135. The planetary A index for the same period is predicted at 8 for March 24-25, 5 on March 26-27 and 8 on March 28-31. This indicates improving HF propagation for the near term, with geomagnetic indicators slightly unsettled, compared to recent quiet conditions. NASA has a video <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aTBgHd8exI4> explaining the very low sunspot activity over the past few years. Look for more information on the ARRL website on Friday, March 25. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by the song Without You <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5L_wOdWD2t0> from the musical Rent <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rent_%28musical%29>.

==> + SILENT KEY: THORMOD "TOM" B�E, LA7OF (SK)

Thormod "Tom" B�e, LA7OF, of Horten, Norway, passed away on Monday, March 21. He was 71. B�e was President of the Norsk Radio Relae Liga, Norway's IARU Member-Society. B�e actively worked for the Amateur Radio cause throughout his adult life in both a private and professional capacity. For many years, he worked on spectrum management matters with the Norwegian administration, was extremely active in CEPT and ITU forums and served as Director of the European Radiocommunications

Office in Copenhagen from 1998-2006.

ARRL Chief Executive Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ, remembered B�e fondly: "Tom was the spokesman for Norway in Committee 5, which was responsible for all frequency allocations -- and I do mean all, as the entire radio spectrum was under review at WARC-79. Norway was an outstanding supporter of Amateur Radio at the conference, and Tom was recognized as the 'most valuable delegate' by the IARU team." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/thormod-tom-b-e-la7of-sk>.

==> + ARES® E-LETTER NOW AVAILABLE IN AUDIO FORM

The ARES® E-Letter is now available in audio format <http://www.arrl.org/ares-e-letter-audio-version>. Edited for audio by Al Brown, KZ3AB, the ARES® E-Letter is voiced by Tony Riggs, W1FHN. Brown was licensed in 1966. He was a member of the White House Press Corps before retiring from the International Broadcasting Bureau/Voice of America (IBB/VOA). Licensed since 1955, Riggs has worked in both the commercial and public broadcasting venues. He retired after 21 years as a staff announcer and news anchor with the VOA. With more than 35,000 subscribers, the ARES® E-Letter is written by Rick Palm, K1CE and is published each month. Click here <http://www.arrl.org/ares-e-letter-audio-version> to subscribe to the ARES® E-Letter.

==> THIS WEEK ON THE RADIO

This week:

- March 26-27 -- CQ WW WPX Contest (SSB)

Next week:

- April 2-3 -- Missouri QSO Party; QCWA Spring QSO Party; ARCI Spring QSO Party; SP DX Contest; EA RTTY Contest
- April 5 -- ARS Spartan Sprint

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more info. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- March 25-26 -- ARRL Maine State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/maine-state-convention-1>, Lewiston, Maine
- March 26-27 -- ARRL Maryland State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/maryland-state-convention-greater-baltimore-hamboree-computerfest>,

Timonium, Maryland
- April 2-3 -- ARRL New Jersey State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/new-jersey-state-convention-1>, Ewing,
New Jersey
- April 22-24 -- ARRL Idaho State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/idaho-state-convention-1>, Boise, Idaho
- April 23 -- ARRL Louisiana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/louisiana-state-convention-twin-city-ham-radio-
fest>,
Monroe, Louisiana; ARRL North Carolina State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/north-carolina-state-convention-raleigh-hamfest
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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-25 09:00:22 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20110325090005.7299833C54@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4745
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1754 - March 25 2011

(Please note that this is an extended Newsline report running 33 min, 11 seconds and containing 3 breaks.)

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1754 with a release date of Friday, March 25, 2011 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. The FCC offers its support to Japan in its recovery from the March 11th earthquake and tsunami; the story of Hawaii's ham radio activation as the tsunami headed its way, ARISS celebrates its 600th school contact and more radar and G-P-S jamming exercised are announced in the U-K. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1754 coming your way right now.

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RESCUE RADIO: FCC OFFERS TECHNICAL EXPERTISE TO JAPAN

The FCC has offered its counterpart in Japan any assistance that it might be able to render. This, as recovery efforts continue in the wake of the March 11th earthquake and Tsunami. Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, is in the newsroom with more:

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According to the trade publication Radio World, soon after the devastating events occurred, the FCC made contact with officials in Japan. This, to offer any help on the telecommunications front that it might be able to supply.

Tom Sullivan is the spokesperson for the FCC International Bureau. He is quoted as saying that his agency has reached out to its regulatory contacts in Japan and is also working with the State Department and the National Telecommunications & Information Administration to consider what assistance the FCC might be able to provide.

According to Sullivan, soon after the massive earthquake that hit Haiti, the FCC took a proactive role. This included providing technical assistance on emergency communications as well as passing along offers of help from private industry.

But Sullivan also notes that Japan is a different situation. It's a nation with its own very robust communications system. He says that on

the telecommunications front Japan is very well prepared for a situations like this. Nevertheless, Sullivan says that the FCC will be able to offer its expertise should it be asked.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the Newsroom in Los Angeles.

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In the article, Tom Sullivan noted that the FCC International Bureau could serve as a contact point for anyone in industry seeking information on whether and how they might be able to help but at this point in time no telecommunications assistance requests have been received. You can read more at tinyurl.com/fccjapan. (RW, B&C)

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RESCUE RADIO: HAWAII RACES WAS READY FOR THE MARCH 11th TSUNAMI

As Japan begins its slow journey back from the March 11th earthquake and tsunami that devastated a part of that Pacific Rim nation, and the continuing story of the reactor meltdowns at the Fukushima nuclear power plant, lost in the news coverage has been the story of ham radio emergency preparedness across the Pacific. This as the tsunami hurled itself eastward.

One of the first major population centers to begin preparing for the unknown was the state of Hawaii where Ron Hashiro, AH6RH, is the State Civil Defense RACES Coordinator. He says that he learned about the approaching sea disturbance by e-mail and that triggered the alerting system that gets the trained emergency communicators ready for whatever they may soon face:

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AH6RH: "At that point we started the notification system of phone calls and other means of activating all of the other hams. In the meantime the radio started to get busy because other people had found out through TV, radio and other forums that there was a tsunami watch in effect and they were quite concerned."

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Hashiro tells Newsline that the system worked flawlessly and soon the needed emergency communications nets were in operation:

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AH6RH: "We placed phone calls to the different Amateur Radio Civil Defense coordinators on the various islands, they in turn placed phone calls and notified their people and got nets running on the different repeaters.

"On Oahu, W6BJF, Tom, ran the net, kept it active and passed messages between our Department of Emergency Management and our amateur radio

community, keeping them both informed."

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By the time the tsunami approached Hawaiian shores all was in readiness, but thankfully Mother Nature spared Hawaii from the kind of devastation seen on the Japanese mainland:

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AH6RH: "We are fortunate that while we were waiting for the tsunami to come, it did not pose as great a (potential) for damage as it did in Japan. Some of the islands did pick up some damage on their west facing side but it was more localized as compared to what was on Japan."

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The bottom line is that while there was not the need for ham radio to any great extent as the tidal wave passed Hawaii, the hams of the Island state were ready if it had been a far more serious event.

Also, you can hear more with Ron Hashiro, AH6RH, about Hawaii's state wide ham radio ARES, RACES and CD preparedness system on this weeks Rain Report. Its on line right now at www.therainreport.com. (ARNewsline(tm))

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RESCUE RADIO: THE TSUNAMI HEADS TO THE AMERICAS

After passing Hawaii the giant wave front continued its trek eastward toward the Americas. Soon nations bordering on the Pacific began to issue warnings to their populations located near the coastline. Then reports started trickling in as we hear from Amateur Radio Newsline's Bruce Tennant, K6PZW:

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Marco Loarca, TG9ANM, is the Emergency Coordinator for Area D of the IARU's Region 2. He reports that the Club de Radio Aficionados de Guatemala was able to maintain communication via VHF and UHF with radio operators located near the nations coastline. Meantime, Jorge Sierra, LU1AS, his counterpart in Area G of reported that the Red Chilena Nor Austral monitored the frequency 7.070 MHz and beginning at 17:00 local time while the VHF and UHF emergency communications network was also activated.

In the United States, the Amateur Radio Emergency Services of California's Santa Cruz County was activated at approximately 08:00 a.m. local time. More than 30 local A.R.E.S. radio operators were made available to served agencies. These included the Santa Cruz County Emergency Operations Center, area evacuation centers, the Red Cross, a Salvation Army canteen truck, the Santa Cruz County Harbor Coast Guard

Auxiliary and a number of local Fire Departments. Also on Friday morning the Santa Cruz County A.R.E.S. Team activated the Tsunami Resource Net in advance of the anticipated 5 to 7 foot wave that was expected to reach the coastline around 8:00 AM local time.

As expected, the tsunami did impact the Pacific coast. They caused an estimated 15 million dollars of damage to Santa Cruz Harbor. More that 100 boats were either damaged or sunk as a result of the waves.

Santa Cruz was not alone in receiving significant damage as a result of the powerful tidal surge. Crescent City, located approximately 500 miles North of Santa Cruz, also received heavy damage. This lead to newly elected Governor Jerry Brown declaring these areas disaster zones. News reports say that one person died as a result of being swept out to sea with the high waves.

Lastly, on the other side of the United States northern border, Daniel Lamoureux VE2KA, reported that there was no damage from the tsunami on Canada's west coast.

That's whats known as we go to air.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, in Los Angeles.

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Our thanks to the International Amateur Radio Union for much of the information in Bruce's report. (IARU - R2 Report)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: ARISS CELEBRATES 600th SCHOOL CONTACT

Amateur Radio on the International Space Station, better known by the acronym ARISS, reached a milestone on Thursday, March 17th. This, when it held its 600th space to ground contact between astronaut Cady Coleman, KC5ZTH on board the International Space Station and students from several schools in Plock and Liszyno, Poland.

The contact supported lessons about space and space exploration, communication and technology. Scout Amateur Radio Club S-P-5-Zed-B-A handled the radio connection during which the astronaut Coleman fielded 19 space related questions from the students at the two schools.

Nearly 120 people were in the audience and there was also extensive media coverage. This included newspapers, four scientific magazines, one radio magazine, a television station, national radio and two internet portals.

And less we forget, we will have more ham radio space related news later on in this weeks Amateur Radio Newsline report. (Southgate)

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>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the JR6YQF Amateur Radio Society on Okinawa in the Pacific.

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RESCUE RADIO: HAM RADIO REPLACES PHONES DURING HOSPITAL OUTAGE

When nurses and other caregivers picked up their phones at Childrens Hospital of Orange County at 5:30 AM on March 21, there was no dial tone. A power surge, probably from lightning, had caused failure of the central processor in the hospital's phone switch. How would they make contact with physicians and patient transport companies?

Fortunately, the lead operator at the switchboard knew just what to do. She opened her disaster book to the Amateur Radio support page and followed the established procedure for activating the Hospital Disaster Support Communications System, or HDSCS. She had several options, but this time she used an emergency tie-line to reach April Moell WA6OPS, who is head of this ARES group that specializes in helping hospitals when communications fail.

April established an on-air network and initiated a callout of HDSCS communicators by telephone and pager. Ken Simpson W6KOS and Clay Stearns KE6TZR arrived at the hospital shortly to establish a link with the outside world. More operators followed to communicate between the most important units within the hospital including the Emergency Department, Neonatal Intensive Care, Pediatric Intensive Care, and Pharmacy.

April had given her home telephone number to the Supervisor

at Orange County Communications for incoming call relay.

This resulted in several urgent messages for the hospital,

including one regarding transport of a young patient coming

in for an appendectomy.

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(Audio from HDSCS net)

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By 10:45 AM, some phones were working but additional repair components were being awaited from a supplier. HDSCS continued to provide unit-to-unit and hospital-to-community messaging as needed, including coordination of patient treatments and a request for blood. At 1:02 PM, the repair crew announced that the phone system was back to normal except for some voicemail functions. HDSCS members remained on station

for 30 more minutes as they always do to insure that phone systems are stable.

There's lightning here in southern California only a few days a year, but it's a definite danger to our hospital phone systems. During an intense thunderstorm last October, HDSCS members responded to St. Jude Hospital in Fullerton when a power outage caused overloading of the telephone system there.

A total of eleven HDSCS members participated in this [latest] communications emergency. They were familiar with this hospital because HDSCS has helped in communications emergencies there before, including a 22-hour external phone outage when a construction accident severed fiber optic cables in August 2006.

This is the 31st year of HDSCS service to medical facilities in Orange County and this was the 114th activation to provide support when telephones have failed or overloaded. The reasons have ranged from equipment failure, to cut cables, to natural disasters such as earthquakes, floods, and wildfires. Each member has his or her own Go-Kit, ready to take to any of the 36 supported hospitals to establish communications.

For more information on HDSCS -- and how hams in your community can organize to provide rapid response like this to hospitals -- point your Web browser to www.hdscs.org. Those are the initials for Hospital Disaster Support Communications System, followed by dot-org.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Joe Moell. K0OV. (K0OV)

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RESCUE RADIO: VK RADIO OPERATOR HONORED FOR HELPING SAVE SIX LIVES

The Australian MySailing dot com website reports that Marine Rescue Terrey Hills radio operator Ian Murdoch has been awarded the Region Commander's Certificate of Appreciation from New South Wales Police Assistant Commissioner Ken McKay. According to the report, Murdoch along with four members of Broken Bay Water Police, received awards for their part in the rescue of six people on board the stricken yacht Encore which foundered in gale force conditions off Broken Bay on the afternoon of October 23rd, 2008.

On that day Murdoch was sole radio operator at the Marine Rescue Sydney radio base and although alone, he managed 75 minutes of non-stop intense pressures in response to a Mayday call for help. He relayed the distressed vessel's position to other vessels in the area, informed Water Police, and coordinated a veritable fleet of responding vessels. These included a police launch, a passenger ferry, a bulk carrier and a training yacht. At the same time he maintained contact with the sinking vessel until Water Police were able to take rescue the six passengers on-board and thereby saving their lives.

The account did not say whether or not Murdoch was an Australian ham radio operator. You can read the full story in mysailing.com.au. (WIA News)

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RADIO STANDARDS: NIST CONDUCTING TIME AND FREQUENCY USER SURVEY

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John Lowe, the manager of National Institute of Standards and Technology radio stations WWV, WWVH and WWVB in Ft. Collins, Colorado. He says that the survey should take just a few minutes to complete, and your input will be greatly appreciated.

If you use any of these services -- and what radio amateur doesn't --please complete the survey which is on-line at www.tf.nist.gov/survey. (NIST)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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HAM HAPPENINGS: SOUTHWEST 75 METER VHF/UHF NET TIME CHANGE

The Sunday evening Southwest 75 Meter VHF/UHF and Above Weak Signal Net on 3 point 920 MHz has changed its operating schedule. According to a note from K6STK and WI6M, the net now begins at 5:30 p.m. Pacific Daylight Savings Time and ends one hour later at 6:30 p.m.. If you live in the region covered by this net and are into VHF/UHF weak signal work, give this group a try. (K6TSK and WI6M via the VHF Reflector)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: AES SUPERFEST APRIL 1 - 2 IN MILWAUKEE

The annual Amateur Electronics Supply Superfest will take place on Friday, April 1st from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. and on Saturday, April 2nd from 8:30 a.m to 3:00 p.m. at the AES Milwaukee Warehouse. This

venue is located at 5710 West Good Hope Road in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Admission is free with many manufacturers' representatives present to answer your questions about their latest gear. This year's special guest is ARRL President Kay Craigie, N3KN. And late word that ham radio's Mr. Audio, Bob Heil, K9EID, and Radio School's Gordon West, WB6NOA will team up to conduct a ham radio oriented Audio Workshop. More about this and the entire 2011 AES Superfest is on line at www.aesham.com/superfest. (Press Release)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: NASA ASTRONAUT DOUG WHEELOCK, KB5BOC, TO HOST HAMVENTION FORUM

Some names in the news. First up is NASA Astronaut Doug Wheelock, KF5BOC , will be holding forth at his own forum at the 2011 Dayton Hamvention. Wheelock returned to Earth in November of 2010 after serving as Commander of the International Space Station will speak from 1:15 to 2:15 P.M. on Saturday, May 21st in Hara Arena Meeting Room 3.

During his stay on-orbit, KF5BOC along with fellow Astronaut Shannon Walker, KD5DXB, regularly participated in the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station program or ARISS program during which he made some two dozen general contacts each day he was on the air. Colonel Wheelock is expected to share his experiences about space flight and using amateur radio in space. (Dayton Hamventionr)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: KI6ZMV ELECTED NEWS TREASURER OF ARNEWSLINE

Leslie Monzon, KI6ZMV, of Valencia, California, has been elected as the new treasurer if the Amateur Radio Newsline. She replaces the late Andy Jarema, N6TCQ, who passed way in November of 2009.

Re-elected to the Newsline Board of Directors were incumbents Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, as president; Davis Black, KB4KCH, as Vice President, Joe Schrader, W9JUV, as Secretary, Mark Abramowicz, NT3V as Chief Executive Officer and Don Wilkbnks, AE5DW, as Member-at Large. Abramowicz will also continue as Chairman of the Young Ham of the Year Judging Committee.

Elections were a part of the annual Amateur Radio Newsline Board of Directors Meeting held by teleconference on Sunday, March 20th. (ARNewsline(tm))

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: G4FSU APPOINTED AS RSGB HF MANAGER

The Radio Society of Great Britain Board of Directors has approved the appointment of Ian Greenshields, G4FSU. This, following the decision by John Gould, G3WKL to step down from this honorary position.

Apart from a having a very successful career as an RF and microwave communications engineer, Greenshields is well versed in radio spectrum matters. This based on his role of Secretary to the International Amateur Radio Union Region One High Frequency Committee since 2005. Recently, the IARU also appointed G4FSU as a Technical Consultant that requires regular involvement in ITU and CEPT matters. (RSGB)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: NEW IARU REGION 3 SECRETARY

The Board of Directors of IARU Region 3 have announced the appointment of Ken Yamamoto, JA1CJP, as the organizations new Secretary. Yamamoto holds a Bachelor of Science degree in electronic engineering and has worked in the satellite communications field for many years. He replaces Jay Oka, JA1TRC, who has reportedly stepped down for personal reasons on March 9th. WIA News

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services of the following radio amateur:

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RADIO HISTORY: BBC TO CLOSE ORDFORDNESS TRANSMITTER SITE Another famed radio transmitting site is being decommissioned. This one is owned by the British Broadcasting Company and is not one very many on this side of the Atlantic know about. Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, has the rest of the story:

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Unless you live in Europe or are a truly devoted low frequency DX'er here in the United States, you likely have never heard of the British Broadcasting Company's transmitter site at Ordfordness. It's an operation that sits on 648 KHz and has a five tower array beamed to Europe with very little signal off the back toward the United States. And that's what makes the signal from Ordfordness such a great catch for medium wave D-X listeners on this side of the Atlantic pond.

But all that will end on March 27th. That's when the BBC switches off this transmitter site for good.

But its demise will not go undocumented. As a historical note, Jonathan Marks, G-8-W-G-N, has released a short documentary that traces

the history of the Ordfordness transmitter site from its inception through 2003 when the video was made. Marks, who was the former producer and host of the famed Radio Netherlands Media Network program is joined by Ordfordness radio engineer Andy Matherson who explains the way in which the site operates.

It's a great tour of a historic moment in European medium wave broadcast radio. You can experience it for yourself on line at vimeo.com/20996209

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, Norm Seeley, KI7UP, in Scottsdale, Arizona.

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Another sad moment in broadcast history, but one that Jonathan Marks, G8WGN, has taken the time to preserve. (Via e-mail)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: TWO NEW ASTRO-HAMS

And a follow-up to last weeks story about a pair of Astronauts who had been tested and had passed the Amateur Service exams. Since then, Luca Parmitano has been issued the call sign KF5KDP and Chris Cassidy received KF5KDR. Both passed their tests on March 8th are slated to fly on future International Space Station expeditions. (ARISS)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: AO-51 ENTERS AN ECLIPSE PERIOD

Eclipses are back for AO-51, and the length is increasing every day. According to AO-51 Command Station, Mark Hammond, N8MH, eclipses are now lasting about 1 to 2 minutes per pass. They are expected to increase in length pretty fast, gaining a minute every day or two over the coming weeks and month.

AO-51 is still running under power management in single transmitter mode on the 435.300 MHz downlink running approximately 1 point 3 watts. The satellite will be off during eclipses and probably right before and after. You'll probably still hear the transmitter cycling off and on around eclipse times, but most voice users will appreciate the stronger signals. AO-51 be in this mode until further notice. (ANS)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: BJ8TA AN EME AND SATELLITE DXPEDITION

AMSAT-China Chief Executive Officer Alan Kung, BA1DU reports that his group is organizing an expedition to southwest China. This, for EME experiments and amateur satellite communications. The expedition team will use the special technology experiments amateur radio call sign BJ8TA. The group will also be active on the available satellites during the expedition period. The BJ8TA Amateur Radio EME and

Satellites Expedition is supported by the Bureau of Radio Regulation of China and Yunnan Astronomical Observatory of the Chinese Academy of Sciences. (DX News)

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WORLDBEAT - UK: MORE RADAR AND GPS JAMMING EXERCISES PLANNED

The United Kingdom's Ministry of Defense has informed U-K telecommunications regulator Ofcom that further Global Positioning System jamming exercises will be. The dates announced are May 19th to the 26th starting at 07:00 U-T-C each day.

Also, ground based radar jamming tests will take place in the South West approaches against the remote radar head at Portreath on May 21st and 22nd using F-18 Growler aircraft. There will also be radar jamming against deployed targets in South West Wales thru from May 19th to the 26th.

Communications and airborne radar jamming will take place throughout the same period on the East Coast with aircraft operating within the North Sea Military Danger Areas. The Ministry of Defense adds that safety of life operations will take precedence over these defense test exercise activities at all times.

The purpose of these tests is to likely to determine the vulnerability of U-K defenses to jamming of vital radio based defenses. (Southgate)

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WORLDBEAT - NEW ZEALAND: HAM RADIO TO CELEBRATE THE 2011 RUGBY WORLD CUP GAMES

The New Zealand Amateur Radio Transmitters or NZART Council has declared the Rugby World Cup to be a Special Event and encourages you to use the ZM prefix. According to the NZART, declaring this a special event it allows New Zealand radio amateurs the use of this special prefix during September and October. A Map of New Zealand has been placed on the NZART website with game locations linked to contact details of local branches, any planned special events, on air events, and local repeater frequencies. NZART Branches are to be encouraged to invite visiting hams to attend meetings and any special events. The New Zealand Amateur Radio Transmitters is that nation's national amateur radio society. (NZART)

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ON THE AIR: CELEBRATING 100 YEARS OF THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA

On the air, keep an ear open for members of the Republic of China Centenary Foundation who will be activating special event station BV100 during the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest on March 26th and 27th. The operators from Taiwan will then be on the air from Shaio-Liu-Chiu Island until the end of the year as a special event is to celebrate the 100th

anniversary of their homeland. Operations will be on all bands and modes. Complete details along with an operating schedule and information as to how to earn a BV100 award is available at www.bv100.tw/en. QSL's go via BV2KI. (OPDX)

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ON THE AIR: NEPAL COMING TO EME

The 9N7WL 2 meter EME operation will take place as part of the 9N7AN DXpedition from Nepal's High View Resort which is located about 25 kilometers from the capital city of Kathmandu. This will be the first time that the DXCC entity Nepal and the Maidenhead main locator NL is activated on the 2 meter band via the moon.

E-M-E operation is scheduled to start on March 30th. Moonrise at 9N7WL will be at 3.30 UTC. The most difficult part of the world to reach by E-M-E will be to the southern part of the USA but there is no common moon with the state of Texas until Sunday April 3rd. This expedition is slated to end on April 7th. (K5WL, DL9GFB via MMMonVHF)

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In DX, ON4AEO will be active from Botswana as A25FC between April 14th and the 18th. Operation will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via ON4CJK.

LA8HGA will be operational as JW9HGA from the Longyearbyen Amateur Radio Club station located on Spitsbergen Island, Svalbard between May 19th and the 23rd. Activity will be on the HF bands and CW only. QSL is via LA8HGA via the bureau or direct.

VE3ZIK is active portable 9A from Croatia until March 30th. He also plans to be active in the Russian DX Contest, the CQ WPX SSB Contest and mentions that there is a good chance he will be on from Vrana Lake as well. QSL via DK8ZZ, via the bureau, Logbook of the World, eQSL or direct. E-mail Bureau requests for QSLs can go to ve3zik (at) gmail (dot) com

The Hellenic Amateur Radio Association of Australia are organizing a DXpeditiion to Lord Howe Island for July. They will be using the club call sign VK9HR and the organizers are looking for CW operators and experienced SSB and digital modes operators who would be interested in attending this operation. Any interested operators please contact Tommy Horozakis, VK2IR, via e-mail to president (at) haraoa (dot) com.

Lastly, A group of Mexican operators will be on

the air from the Isla de Lobos in Veracruz State

between April 29th and May 1st. They will also

activate the Lobos Island lighthouse on all HF

bands, plus 6 meters and AO 27, AO 51 and SO 50

ham satellites. Modes used will include CW, SSB

and RTTY. QSL via XE1AY.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: EMCOMM - THE PARADIGM IS

CHANGING

And finally this week, a bit of an editorial comment. While ham radio within Japan is playing a role in post quake and post tsunami recovery efforts, there appears to be little if any international long haul emergency communication on the High Frequency bands. Instead, it seems that ham radio's traditional role in this area has largely been replaced by the popular social networks. Amateur Radio Newsline's Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, takes a look at the way these Twitter and Facebook are changing the paradigm and starting to displace ham radios place in the health and welfare information flow:

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RESCUE RADIO: THE PARADIGM SHIFTS - NO NEED FOR LONG HAUL H&W TRAFFIC

So what about ham radios traditional role in post disaster relief as a carrier of long distance health and welfare traffic in the wake of the earthquake and tsunami? So far, there has not been very much of that and here is likely the reason why.

While the earthquake did knock out a lot of local telephone service across Japan, unaffected was the island nation's multi-redundant broadband system. Indeed, within minutes of the quake hitting, residents in Japan were texting and tweeting messages to their loved ones as to what had transpired. News services were looking at these tweets on Twitter and using them as a source of information for their initial reports on the disaster. So for those living in or near any of Japan's major population centers like Tokyo, there was little impact on their personal communications with the outside world

Also unaffected was the redundant communications networks used by the worlds various broadcast entities with news bureaus in Tokyo. And when the first wave of the Tsunami came ashore the world watched it happen live from an NHK news helicopter's camera whose signal was microwaved back to Tokyo and then out around the globe.

The rural areas of Japan are a totally different matter. Some towns are still without any form of utilities including water, gas, electrical power, telephone or broadband service. And its likely to be that way for some time. And sadly, there are those coastal towns in Northern Japan that took the full brunt of the tidal waves. Most of these were destroyed with little or nothing left to even say that only recently

they had existed. So, right now, trying to get health and welfare messages into those towns still isolated is a difficult if not impossible task. Messages addressed to residents of those towns wiped away by the tsunami will likely never be delivered.

When one takes a step back and takes a look at the whole picture it's easy to see and to hear why there are so few health and welfare messages being handled on the long haul ham radio bands. In the more populated areas, ham radio was replaced by Twitter and Facebook. In rural Japan there's simply no way to get a message through.

Or to put it another way, as massive and devastating as this earthquake was, its communications needs outside Japan do not fit any of the traditional models that hams world wide are accustomed to dealing with. It also says that as long as a nation's broadband infrastructure is not severely damaged, ham radios role as the long haul carrier of health and welfare traffic is being replace by a smart phone and an account on Facebook or Twitter.

I'm Don Wilbanks, AE5DW.

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The bottom line appears to be this. As long as a nation's broadband infrastructure and its connections to the outside world are not severely damaged, and its population is communications savvy, the various social networks now provide a far faster way to pass health and welfare messaging than ham radio can ever hope to supply. But in those circumstances where there is no other means of long haul communications, ham radio will always have a significant role to play. (ARNewsline(tm))

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Jim Damron, N8TMW, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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306. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 27th March 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-25 15:00:20 UTC
From: Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk
Message-ID: <20110325150005.198ED33C5F@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4746
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 27th March 2011

The news headlines:

* RSGB AGM date change

* New 60m beacon in Luxembourg

* Russia to join CEPT licence scheme

Due to unforeseen circumstances outside the Society's control it has proved necessary to defer the Society's AGM that had been planned for Saturday 16 April. The AGM will now take place on Saturday 14 May at the Menzies Mickleover Court, Etwall Road, Mickleover, Derby DE3 0XX. The calling notice for the AGM is in the April edition of RadCom and the financial and committee reports will appear in the May RadCom.

A new 60m beacon is on the air in Luxembourg. Operating with the callsign LX0HF it has been reported to be putting a good signal into the United Kingdom and other parts of Europe. LX0HF operates on 5205.25kHz.

At a recent meeting, the Russian State Commission for Radio Frequencies decided that the Russian Federation will join CEPT Recommendation TR 61-01, which is the CEPT Radio Amateur Licence. IARU Region 1 considers this a major step forward to achieve worldwide radio amateur roaming.

Anyone planning to take part in this year's Mills on the Air over the weekend May 14th and 15th is asked to please register their details on the Denby Dale ARS website www.g4cdd.net or get in touch with Gerald, G3SDY via g3sdy@sky.com as soon as possible.

The BBC is ceasing its 648kHz transmissions of World Service English language radio today, 27 March. Closure of the 648kHz service and medium wave frequencies to Russia continues the process of withdrawing from direct broadcasts to Europe in response to a declining number of direct listeners. However, the BBC World Service continues to be available in Europe by satellite, cable and online.

To commemorate the passing of one of its founding members, Hank Kohl K8DD, the Second Class Operators Club will be holding its first SOC CW Bash on Saturday 2 April between 0000 and 2359UTC. Any operator can take part in the Bash and, although not a contest, the SOC will be

issuing its very own special certificates for top scorers in both a QRO and QRP section. Full details at www.qsl.net/soc/k8dd_bash.htm.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

The Spring Militaria & Electronics & Radio Amateur Hangar Sale will take place today, 27 March, at the Hack Green Secret Nuclear Bunker, Nantwich, Cheshire, CW5 8AP. Doors open at 10am and admission is £2.50. Visitors will find civil, military and vintage radio equipment plus vehicle spares and more. Contact Rod Siebert on 01270 623353.

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The South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Rally will take place on 3 April at Avon Scouts Activity Centre, Fernhill, Almondsbury BS32 4LX, which is at the junction of the M4 & M5. Doors open at 10am. Details from Stan Goodwin, G0RYM on 07833 517370.

Now for the news of special events

Until 3 April, GB8HBW and GB0CMR will be on the air celebrating 85 years of Hospital Radio in the UK. GB8HBW will be operating in the Newbury area and GB0CMR is in Hinckley for Castle Mead Radio.

Denby Dale Amateur Radio Society will be operating GB200HNC from Tunnel End, Marsden, near Huddersfield over the weekend of 2 and 3 April. The club will be operating on all HF bands over the whole weekend from the first floor of the Visitor Centre. The event, organised by British Waterways, is a real family weekend featuring tunnel legging, craft fare, canal craft demonstrations and much, much more and will be open from 10am to 4pm each day. Full details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220126 or by e-mail to m0rbg@talktalk.net.

And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

>From 2 to 7 April, the Macclesfield & District Amateur Radio Society will be operational from the Isle of Arran off the coast of Scotland. The IOTA reference is EU-123. Four club members will be transmitting on the HF bands and making as many contacts across the UK, Europe and around the world as possible. A special QSL card has been produced.

Andy, M1LOL and Ray, M1REK, both members of Stockport Radio Society, will be operating from the Isles of Barra and Vatersay EU-010 from 2 to 9 April 2011. Operating on the 80 to 10m bands, modes in use will be SSB and data, mainly PSK and RTTY.

Cal, WF5W, 8P9CW, Bill, K5WAF, 8P9WF, Bob, WB5IUU, 8P9UU and Paul, W5PF, 8P9PF will be active from Barbados (NA-021) from 24 March to 3 April. They will operate CW, SSB and RTTY, including activity during the CQ WW WPX SSB contest. QSL for all callsigns via W5PF.

Members of the Caribbean Contesting Consortium (CCC) will activate Signal Point Station on Cura£ao between 22 March and 6 April. Operators mentioned are W0CG (PJ2DX), N4RV, K2PLF and possibly others. They will

participate in the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest (26-27 March) as PJ2T (QSL via N9AG and LoTW), while outside the contest they will use PJ2/homecall or their personal PJ2 calls (QSL via home calls).

Now the contest news

This weekend, 26 and 27 March, the CQWW WPX SSB contest takes place between 0000 and 2359UTC. On the 1.8 to 28MHz bands, the exchange is signal report and serial number.

On 29 March the 70MHz UK Activity Contest will take place between 1900 and 2130UTC. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

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The 1st RoPoCo of the year takes place on 3 April from 1900 to 2030UTC. It is an SSB event and the exchange is signal report and full postcode received.

On 3 April, the first 70MHz contest takes place between 0900 and 1200UTC. Although it doesn't attract a huge number of entries, this 3-hour contest traditionally enjoys strong support from portable stations, indeed 40% of last year's entrants signed /P. There are no multipliers in this event; it's purely a matter a trying to amass the biggest number of total kilometres worked. The exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

In the 24-hour EA RTTY Contest on 3 and 4 April, single-ops can make a single band or all-band entry, but multi-op stations can only make an all-band entry. The timings are 1600 to 1600UTC on the 3.5 to 28MHz bands and the exchange is signal report and serial number. Although EA stations send their Province code.

If RTTY isn't your thing, the SP DX Contest also runs for 24 hours but from 1500 to 1500UTC. In it there are numerous entry categories, mainly for single ops. Multipliers in this one are the 16 Polish provinces. Using CW and SSB on the 1.8 to 28MHz bands, the exchange is signal report and serial number with SP stations sending their Province code.

And now the solar factual data for the period from the 14th to the 20th of March, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on the 21st March.

Solar activity started at moderate levels with M class solar flares taking place on the 14th and the 15th. As the large sunspot groups rotated out of view solar activity declined to very low levels by the 18th. Solar flux levels declined from 107 units on the 14th to 88 by the 18th. The average was 95 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 20th was 94 units, that's one unit up on last week. X-ray flux levels also declined as expected from B3.8 units on the 14th to B1.2 by the 19th. Geomagnetic activity was very quiet every day, in fact on the 15th and the 16th the Ap index was zero on both days. The highest daily Ap figure was only 4. The average was Ap 2 units. Solar wind data from

the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds decline from 650 kilometres per second on the 14th to 320 by the 18th. Particle densities were low every day. Bz varied no more than minus 6 and plus 8 nanoTeslas for the period and significantly less on the days that the Ap was zero.

And now the solar forecast. Yet again this week we are waiting for several old sunspot regions to return into view and see how active they are. We can now keep an eye on these regions with the STEREO spacecraft, which lets us view the Sun from all angles. Also, there are the coronagraph images from the SOHO spacecraft showing any coronal mass ejections taking place from the far side of the Sun, which could suggest solar flare activity. Solar activity could increase to moderate levels on some days. Solar flux levels should be in the 110's or even higher. Geomagnetic activity should be quiet today but could increase during the next few days due to a recurring coronal hole disturbance. Activity is expected to return to quiet levels for next weekend. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 25MHz for the south and 22MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be about 9MHz. Paths this week to South America should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 30MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 24MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 1200 and 1800 hours. Seeing that we have just altered our clocks earlier this morning these times are in GMT, as always.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

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Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your

transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS First, some advance information. M0OCT ARS is holding a weekend Foundation course and exam near Chesterfield on 11 and 12 June. There will be plenty of places but early booking is essential. For more information contact Steve, G6IBQ on 01248 275 889 or email exams@m0oct.com.

On Friday 1 April Coventry Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on planning expeditions by Chris Colclough, G1VDP. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777363.

On Friday 1 April Hucknall Rolls Royce Amateur Radio Club is having a general club meeting. More information from Dave Wilde, G1YAI, on 0844

4355593.

On Friday 1 April Nunsfield House Amateur Radio Group has a forum on global warming. Details from Ken Frankcom, G3OCA, on 01332 720976.

On Friday 1 April South Birmingham Radio Society is having a construction evening.. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Monday 28 March Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is having an informal evening. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548478, daytime.

On Monday 28 March Leicester Radio Society is having a talk on house security and household property alarms by Kelvin, G4ZTD. More info from Alex, G8FCQ, on 0753 120 1640.

On Monday 28 March South Birmingham Radio Society is planning for VHF Field Day. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Monday 28 March South Normanton Alfreton & District Amateur Radio Club is having an informal night. Details from A Lawrence, 2E0BQS, by email to adylawri@btinternet.com.

On Tuesday 29 March Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 29 March Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is having a practical evening. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Wednesday 30 March Hinckley Amateur Radio Society is having a junk sale with Mark, 2E0SBM. Details from John, M0JAV, on 07836 731544.

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On Wednesday 30 March Lincoln Short-Wave Club is having a surplus equipment sale at the village hall. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

On Wednesday 30 March Midland Amateur Radio Society is having laptop computer training and Foundation classes. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 01214 229 787.

On Wednesday 30 March Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is holding its AGM. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday 31 March South Birmingham Radio Society has training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND We start with some advance information. Bolton Wireless Club will be running a foundation course beginning on 28 April. For more details and registration information, send an email to boltonwireless@gmail.com.

On Friday 1 April East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is having a radio components catalogues evening.. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Friday 1 April Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is having a practical session looking at RF burns. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 0787 608 5631.

On Saturday 2 April Denby Dale Radio Club starts its weekend event special event station for Huddersfield Narrow Canal's bicentenary celebrations at Tunnel End, Marsden. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220126.

On Saturday 2 April Macclesfield & District Radio Society commences its week long Isle of Arran DXpedition, operating as GS4MWS/P. More information from Roger Bell, M0GMG, on 0771 258 9163.

On Sunday 3 April Grimsby Amateur Radio Society is taking part in the SSB RoPoCo contest. Contact Cliff, G4YHP, on 01472 328 830.

On Sunday 3 April Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the SSB RoPoCo contest. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240573.

On Monday 28 March Bolton Wireless Club is having a discussion evening on starting out in amateur television chaired by Derek, G1AEQ. For details, send an email to boltonwireless@gmail.com.

On Monday 28 March Macclesfield & District Radio Society is having a talk on radio valves by Dave Lucas, G0BIE. More information from Roger Bell, M0GMG, on 0771 258 9163.

On Monday 28 March Scarborough Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by VMARS member Stewart Gebbie, G8YQN, on the use of Clansman military radios in amateur radio. Details from Jerry Scarr, G6LBL, on 01751 476601.

On Monday 28 March Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is holding its AGM. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

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On Monday 28 March South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is holding its monthly technical forum. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 0161 969 3999.

On Monday 28 March Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on the Humbolt Glacier by Mick Green, G4EZM. Details on the web at www.tcars.org.uk.

On Monday 28 March Workington and District Radio and IT Group Club is on the air. For more information get in touch with Barry Easdon, G0RZI, on 01946 812092.

On Tuesday 29 March Chester & District Amateur Radio Society is conducting radio operations at Waverton Institute. Details from Barbara Green on 07957 870770.

On Tuesday 29 March Otley Amateur Radio Society is taking part in the 70MHz UKAC as G3XNO. Contact Paul, 2E0PAK, on 07768 996370.

On Wednesday 30 March Grimsby Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. Contact Cliff, G4YHP, on 01472 328 830.

On Wednesday 30 March Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society continue with Foundation and Intermediate Licence training. The club is also developing a give-away crystal set kit with which to encourage youngsters to take up electronics and amateur radio. Contact Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341317.

On Wednesday 30 March Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is looking at static comms. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240573.

On Wednesday 30 March Mid-Cheshire Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on mapping software by G0LBO. Contact Peter Paul Fox, G8HAV, on 01606 553401.

On Thursday 31 March Preston Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on SOTA. Contact Richard, M0RDZ, on 0785 587 3566.

On Thursday 31 March South Manchester Radio and Computer is having a talk on Club Rene Descartes by Dave, G4UGM. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 0161 969 3999.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND No news items have been received for Northern Ireland this week.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND First, some advance information. Livingston and District Amateur Radio Society will be holding a Foundation exam at the Crofthead Farm Community Education Centre, Livingston at 7:30 pm on Tuesday 12 April. Candidates must register by 29 March at the latest. Contact Norman Stewart, GM1CNH on 07740 946192 for further details.

On Friday 1 April Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club is having a normal club night. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723.

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On Friday 1 April West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society is having presentations, guest speakers, a quiz and a raffle. More information from Fred Coombes, 2M0BIN, on 01415 715512.

On Tuesday 29 March Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club evening. Details from Norman, on 07740 946192.

On Wednesday 30 March West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society has Solder Group homebrew projects & licence training. More information from Fred Coombes, 2M0BIN, on 01415 715512.

On Thursday 31 March Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is discussing the programme of events. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663.

On Sunday 3 April Central Scotland FM Group is holding its AGM at Bathgate Guide Hall, Mid Street, Bathgate. Details from Crawford Ross, GM8HBY.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA First, some advance information. From April, Horndean & District Amateur Radio Club will be changing their meeting venue and days to the 1st and 3rd Thursday each month. The club will meet at Anders Hall, off Milton Road, Waterlooville PO7 6AW. The first Horndean & District Amateur Radio Club meeting at the new venue will be on Thursday 7 April for a natter night and social evening. For more information contact Stuart Swain, G0FYX, on 02392 472846.

On Friday 1 April Harlow & District Amateur Radio Society is having a general chat night. More information from R C White, G0AGO, by e-mail to G0AGO@aol.com.

On Friday 1 April Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a radio night and table top sale. Contact Peter, G4AKG, on 01444 239371.

On Friday 1 April Radio Society of Harrow is holding a surplus equipment sale. More information from Linda, G7RJL, on 0208 386 8586.

On Friday 1 April Wey Valley Amateur Radio Group is having a talk by Roger Western, G3SXW on his Sierra Leone adventure. Details on the web at www.weyvalleyarg.org.uk.

On Saturday 2 April Bittern DX Group has its annual dinner and prizegiving. Details from Linda, G0AJJ, on 01692 404154.

On Saturday 2 April Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720815.

On Saturday 2 April Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society commences its weekend Foundation Licence Course & Exam. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 020 8502 1645.

On Saturday 2 April Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is putting Worthing Museum on the air as GB2WM. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816684.

On Sunday 3 April Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is having a breakfast meeting in Goring. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816684.

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On Tuesday 29 March Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is having a club net night. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Wednesday 30 March Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is looking at getting started on the air with VHF and UHF handhelds. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday 30 March Havering & District Amateur Radio Club is having an is having an informal evening. More information from John, M0UKD, on 07890 222111.

On Wednesday 30 March Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is having a table top sale. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898678.

On Wednesday 30 March Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is putting GX3WOR on the air. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816684.

On Thursday 31 March Bittern DX Group has an update on social and competitive events for the year. Details from Linda, G0AJJ, on 01692 404154.

On Thursday 31 March King's Lynn Amateur Radio Club is having a club night and 2m club net. Contact Ray, G3RSV, by email to ral-g3rsv@supanet.com.

On Thursday 31 March Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a club night at the shack. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564242.

On Thursday 31 March Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society has a talk on cinematic equipment by Paul Schimmel. Details from David, G8UOD, on 01234 742 757.

On Sunday 21 August Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a club night at the shack. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564242.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST On Friday 1 April North Bristol Amateur Radio Club is holding a committee meeting and preparing for the South Gloucester Rally sales. More information from Dick on 01454 218362.

On Friday 1 April Saltash & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by the keeper of GB3WD. Contact Brian, M0BHG, on 01752 844321.

On Friday 1 April Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

On Sunday 3 April Blackmoor Vale Amateur Radio Society is having an ARDF event. Contact Tony, G0GFL, on 01258 860741.

On Sunday 3 April Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club South is running the Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Rally at Woodhouse Campsite. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417048.

On Monday 28 March Bristol RSGB Group is having a talk by Roger Western, G3SXW, on WRTC 2010 in Russia. Details from Robin, G3TKF, on 01225 420442.

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On Monday 28 March Exeter Amateur Radio Society is having a club night and CW practice. More information from Nick, on 01363 775756.

On Tuesday 29 March West Devon Radio Club is having a general chat night that is open to all. Further information from Jules Cuddy, M1AGY, on 01752 291588.

On Wednesday 30 March Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417048.

On Thursday 31 March South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695471.

On Thursday 31 March Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having an activity night. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317750.

On Thursday 31 March Yeovil Amateur Radio Club is holding a committee meeting & putting the club station on the air. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES On Monday 28 March Llanelli Amateur Radio Society is holding a junk sale & club raffle. Contact Craig, MW0MXT, on 01269 840292.

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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you would expect to hear it being read back and NEVER send just links & url's.

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ALL THESE STORIES UP AND COMING IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS
INSTITUTE OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING MARCH 27 2011.

NEWS FROM LAST WEEK MARCH 20 HAS BEEN REPOSTED IN TEXT AT THE CONCLUSION
OF THIS WEEKS NEWS. This due to the "unformatting" of news script where every
word ran straight into each other!

INTERNATIONAL DYNAMIC RANGE DAY

Last Friday was deemed "Dynamic Range Day".

This has been set up to try to get recording producers to "drop their levels"
and show some light and shade!

In order to achieve super-high levels on CD's the music has it's dynamic range reduced - roughly speaking, that's the difference between the loudest and quietest moments in the music.

The effect is now so extreme that we have reached a bizarre situation where Justin Bieber's CD is louder than Motorhead, AC/DC or Sex Pistols!

The fatal flaw of this "Loudness War" in a nutshell is "it doesn't sound good."

Research shows there is no connection between "loudness" and sales

People don't notice loudness when comparing songs

Modern music players undo loudness by using ReplayGain

Most listeners just turn loud music down !

So - "loud" music on CD has no benefit on the radio, online, on an mp3 player, or in your CD player and yet almost every new release is crushed to within an inch of it's life.

Enter "Dynamic Range Day".

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No it is not JUST a Field Day

Being close to the John Moyle Memorial National Field Day now leaves most of the clubs thinking that another event, is just more of the same.

Tune in to the World - Amateur Radio gets people talking, is our hobby's big public relations event.

It will be in celebration of World Amateur Radio Day, the 17th of April. That is just a few weeks away.

Rules and the scoring method are available on the WIA website. All it needs a little advance planning, a publicly accessible venue, suitable station equipment, signage and most importantly people who are very presentable and knowledgeable.

Posters and uniforms are available on the website. This is an opportunity to get right behind the Tune in to the World - Amateur Radio gets people talking - and take our hobby out to the public.

Already more than a dozen clubs have indicated that they're ready to show the general public what they, and the hobby of amateur radio, has to offer - what's your club doing?.

Everyone gets enjoyment from being involved and comes away feeling they have put something back into the hobby they enjoy so much.

Remember Amateur Radio Day on the 17th of April, get involved, visit the WIA website and sign up - it only needs three or more to be involved with a public station.

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

OPEN HOUSE

WIA members and friends are invited to attend the formal opening of the WIA premises at Unit 20, 11-13 Havelock Road, Bayswater, Victoria at 4:00pm Saturday, April 2nd.

The premises will be named "Andersson House" in honour of Henry Andersson VK8HA. Henry was an Honorary Life Member of the WIA, who passed away October sIX 2004. He left his property at Humpty Doo, near Darwin, to the WIA. That generous bequest provided much of the funds needed to enable the purchase.

Light refreshments will be served between 4:00pm and 6:00pm, and a memorial plaque will be unveiled at a ceremony commencing at 4:30pm.

If you would like to attend, please RSVP to the Office on)03) 9729 0400 between 10:00am and 4:00pm Monday to Friday.

(IN TEXT EDITION ONLY)

WIA AGM

The WIA and the Darwin Amateur Radio club want to invite you to Darwin, Australia's Northern Tropical capital for the WIA Annual Conference being held over the weekend of 27, 28, 29th of May at Mirrambeena Resort .

A welcome dinner by the sea at the Beautiful Darwin Trailer Boat Club on Friday night.

Saturday morning for the Annual General Meeting and forums.

Saturday afternoon will see presentations based around Technology for the bush and life in the top end.

The conference dinner on Saturday night at the lovely Treetops restaurant finishes off the Saturday events.

For Partners we have set up a tour of some special places in Darwin led by the team from The DARC side.

On Sunday we are going to Litchfield National Park. Bring your togs and swim or just cool off in the pristine water falls and rockholes. Take a look at the magnetic anthill phenomenon, and join in a barbecue lunch at the very pretty Wangi falls.

Sunday evening why not join DARC for tea at the famous Mindil Markets and watch a beautiful sunset over Fannie bay whilst eating your choice of specialty food from one of the many different food stalls.

So why not register on the wia website now and come to Darwin for a great weekend of fun and fellowship with fellow Amateurs.

Register now on www.wia.org.au book your tickets and we will see you here on the 27th of may 2011.

This is Spud on behalf of the Wia and the Darwin amateur radio club.

UP UP AND AWAY

Optus will add a new satellite, Optus 10, to it's A/NZ fleet making it the largest in the company's and Australia's history.

Optus 10 will be delivered in 2013 and built in Palo Alto, California, by Space Systems/Loral. This follows the expansion of Australia's satellite fleet with the state-of-the-art D-Series satellites launched in 2006,7 and9.

Optus provides satellite services to Australia and NZ government departments, premium companies and broadcasters including Foxtel, ABC, SBS, Seven Network, Nine Network, Globecast Australia, UBI and Sky TV New Zealand.

Optus managing director Optus wholesale and satellite, Vicki Brady, said Optus was the only full service telecommunications provider in Australia with the ability to harness the additional capability that satellite communication offers.

It launched the first of Australia's satellite fleet 25 years ago.

(ARNNET)

99.7 FM

This is the channel set aside on Melbourne for the majority of International Sporting Events.

It's alive this weekend with the trackside commentary from the Albert Park Grand Prix Circuit in South Melbourne with the running of the 2011 Formula 1(tm) Qantas Australian Grand Prix, a stellar line-up of elite motor racing!

DOWN THE BAND A BIT

98.7FM is Community radio station 3RPP and they are shooting for an Easter deadline to be on air at new studios at the former Mornington High School.

The project is a combined effort of Mornington Peninsula Rotary clubs, The group is holding a raffle in which two cars, a cruising holiday and a television are up for grabs.

Radio Port Phillip broadcasts around the clock on 98.7FM.

2EC's AM TX off air due to floods

Heavy rain over the past 24 hours has caused flash flooding throughout the New South Wales south coast and Illawarra regions, putting one of 2EC's transmitters off air. The station's AM 765 transmitter site at Kalaru has been affected by the flooding.

2EC Program Director Kimmi Saker told radioinfo:
"Our tech is waiting for water to recede to be able to get into the site and get it cranked again. In the meantime 765 AM listeners can get there 105.5 FM frequency."

THE ANSWER IS BLOWIN' IN THE WIND

Transmission services provider Broadcast Australia has refitted a remote transmission site to be powered primarily by renewable energy.

The Mount Owen site, serving Queenstown and Zeehan, Tasmania, will use site-generated wind and solar power to meet fully the site's 8 kW power needs 80 percent to 90 percent of the time.

The site broadcasts national and commercial analogue and digital radio and television services and supports critical radio communications for local emergency services.

According to Broadcast Australia Energy Systems Engineer Gary Cafe, the power demands for digital television and other new services were starting to exceed the capacity of the existing mains power feed. Given the remoteness of the facility, and the presence of strong prevailing south-westerly winds, Mount Owen was a good candidate for onsite renewable energy generation, especially compared to the cost of upgrading the mains power feeder lines.

(SOURCED TO RADIOWORLD).

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

JEFF'S WALK 2 - EAST to WEST for NETS.

The walk starts on the morning of the 24th April and Jeff will be in Lismore on the evening of the 25th.

Maybe you would like to join Jeff as there will probably be some sort of a gathering maybe sausage sizzle or BBQ.

Jeff is currently calling/listening most evenings
7045 at 1730
3612 at 1830

(AEST: Qld time).

www.jeffswalk2.com

VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news

Oxley Region Amateur Radio Club annual Field Day

June Long Weekend Saturday and Sunday 11 and 12 June.

This year the venue will be the Tacking Point Surf Club hall in Matthew Flinders Drive, Lighthouse Beach, Port Macquarie.

It is important to book accommodation as soon as possible as there
will be a lot of visitors staying in the Port for the WinterSun Festival
which also runs over that June Long Weekend.

The ORARC Field Day theme is the club's 40th birthday and there will be
all the usual activities and attractions including the foxhunts both Saturday
and Sunday and trade displays on Sunday.

The Field Day dinner will be at the Tacking Point Golf Club 6pm on Saturday
night.

(vk2wi)

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/
VKC Roundup http://www.police

Moorabbin & District Radio Club annual hamfest will be held Saturday May 7
at Brentwood Secondary College, Glen Waverley 10am.

Enquiries Graeme vk3gl@bigpond.com
Lee vk3gk@aanet.com.au

VK4 - QNEWS
web service local audio news:- www.wiaq.com/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
local news email qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
VKR Roundup http://www.police.qld.gov.au/News+and+Alerts/Media+Releases/

TARC Does the WIA National Field Day

The WIA National Field Day will be happening on Sunday April 17th and
theTARCinc will be setting up displays different aspects of Amateur Radio
on the northern side of the Sturt Street headland on The Strand Townsville
from 8am.

Hams need to help with this activity to publicise the worthwhile hobby of
Amateur Radio to the wider community so get along to wave the flag and
have some fun as well !

NQ Amateur Radio Convention Date Set

The date has been set for one of the most stellar events in the Radio Amateur
calendar, the 20th Bi-ennial North Queensland Amateur Radio Convention
in Townsville from Fri afternoon 16th to Sunday afternoon 18th September.

VK4 SILENT KEYS @ 2010 - 2011 QAC YEAR

VK4MWT Tom Bowden November 14 2010 Advised by Gavin VK4ZZ
VK4SS Alan Shawsmith November 23 2010 Advised by Stepphen VK4JSS
VK4CK Colin King December 30 2010 Advised by Gary VK4AR
VK4AMO Mike O'Callaghan January 02 2011 advised by Dale VK4DMC
VK4HER Dawn Sebbens January 09 2011 advised by Margaret VK4AOE
VK4YNL Egon Frangenheim January 19 2011 advised by Gordon VK4VP
VK4DI Len Effeney February 01 2011 advised by Clive VK4ACC
VK4CAU Frank Sleep 2011 advised by Gavin VK4ZZ

Welcome to QNews from VK4WIA. I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP, and I've been thinking.

During the floods occurring to central and southern Queensland and the following devastation of Cyclone Yasi, in the north, there was much wondering what preparedness and participation was occurring, in the relief efforts by radio amateurs. As if to underline the strength of catastrophic weather we are experiencing, came the earthquake in Christchurch and Japan and the following tsunami.

Whilst we grieve for the loss of life and the devastation that so many people have suffered, I feel we should be also be looking at what we as an interest group should be learning and adopting procedures which can offer practical help in times of disaster and catastrophe.

This may seem to be a hobby horse of mine but unless we learn from experiences around the world we will never be an effective community resource. Remember the often quoted saying, "Unless we learn the lessons of history we are bound to repeat its mistakes".

According to statements released by WIA News, the AREC teams and JARL teams were rapidly deployed to assist the first responders with communications around the earthquake zones. Implicit in this is the level of training which allows interoperability amongst the responding services as well as the availability of equipment to use.

The question is now, have we and could we respond in an emergency the way our ZL and JA colleagues have?

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think....how about you?

CLUBBING - TO SUPPLY NEWS ITEMS:-
email qnews@wia.org.au

Redcliffe and District Radio Club
www.redclifferadioclub.org.au/

I'm Ray, VK4CF with news from Redcliffe Amateur Radio club.

The news begins on a sad note with the passing away of Club member Geary Fawke passed away peacefully yesterday after a long illness with cancer.

His funeral will be held next Wednesday 30th March at 1pm - the Holy Cross Catholic Church, Anzac Ave, Kippa Ring.

While Geary did not have a callsign, he had been an active member of the club over a long period and had donated his caravan to the club to become the communications centre for all club field activities. The club is deeply saddened and wishes to pass on to his son, Mathew and his family, our deepest sympathy.

The third Monday night of the month is the clubs technical talk night. Due to the John Moyle weekend, there was no technical talk this month but in April, Kevin VK4UH, will detail his part of the Lord Howe Island DX expedition conducted in January 2011. In May, Roger, VK4ZLQ & Peter VK4EA, will discuss the success of the Stubb Filters that were used on the John Moyle field day

weekend.

A welcome visitor to the club house last Monday night was Marsha, N8FE, the mother of James, VK4TJF. Marsha calls herself the IRON MAIDEN. Her husband and both of her sons are all licensed amateurs. She said it was good to get away from the cold in the US and catch-up with family and friends in Australia. She said that she should be back down under in 2 more years.
James, VK4TJF, is also putting together a listing of all hf, vhf and uhf nets around Australia and could interested club secretary's could the details of your club nets to James via the Redcliffe club website, he will enter the details into a database and send it to the WIA for publication.

Kippa Ring Shopping Centre will be National field day location for the club. This will provide a wide range of exposure for the club as well as the BBQ fund raiser at Bunnings at Rothwell in June this year.

The John Moyle weekend started out warm and humid on the Friday as the antennas went up but turned to drizzle early Saturday morning and then to rain about lunchtime Saturday and continued for the rest of the weekend. Peter, VK4EA led the activity and was ably supported by brothers Andy, VK4KY and Glenn, VK4FZ and quite a few others including Geoff, VK4FNRS.

About 30 club members braved the miserable conditions to make in excess of 800 contacts mostly on the lower bands. Despite the rain and a few mechanical problems the weekend was a good one and the first wet field day for the club in 7 years. The final scores are still being worked out, and the result appears promising. More details next week.

So now it's 73 from Ray, VK4CF.

EDUCATION YOUTH AND ADVANCEMENT OF AMATEUR RADIO
www.hamcollege.com.au

Manly-Warringah Radio Society

Eight candidates did the club's Foundation training course and assessments a few weeks back and all eight candidates passed with flying colours and one went straight on to pass his Standard theory test.

Congratulations to all candidates, and welcome to Amateur Radio!

Manly-Warringah Radio Society meets every Wednesday at the 1st Terrey Hills Guides Hall, Beltana Avenue, Terrey Hills at 7.30 p.m.

The Hornsby and Districts Amateur Radio Club will be running an exam session on the morning of Saturday 16th April at Waitara in northern Sydney, for all grades of licence. Please notify the Club by 8th April as this allows time for the exam papers can be ordered. The best way is via the form at: hadarc.org.au

The club generally meets on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month, however as the 26th is a catch-up holiday for ANZAC Day calling on Easter Monday, there will be no formal meeting this month.

hadarc.org.au/education.html

(Julian Sortland, VK2YJS, Publicity Officer, HADARC)

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL,
Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART and the WW sources of the WIA read by Jason 2LAW.

QUAKE SCIENCE: THE POWER OF THE JAPAN QUAKE

And some stunning statistics about the awesome power of this earthquake.
According to the BBC, experts they interviewed say that the massive shaker may have shifted Japan's main coastline by up to 13 feet to the east. This is based on the country's network of 1,200 GPS monitoring stations. The GeoNet GPS network is the world's largest.

Also, the quake may have knocked the planet off its axis by about 6.5 inches. This says the BBC will cause the Earth to rotate a tiny bit faster and thereby shortening the day by about 1.8 millionths of a second.

The Japan Meteorological Agency has raised the quake's magnitude to 9 while the U.S. Geological Survey still has it rated at magnitude 8.9. The Japan Meteorological Agency has also officially named the trembler "The 2011 off the Pacific coast of Tohoku Earthquake."

14 ALLEGED PIRATES INDICTED IN ATTACK THAT KILLED 3 HAMS

A federal grand jury has indicted 13 suspected pirates from Somalia and one from Yemen in the February hijacking of a yacht that left three American radio amateurs and one non-amateur dead. The United States Department of Justice say that the men face piracy, kidnapping and firearms charges stemming from their efforts to hold the Americans for ransom, according to the indictment.

As previously reported, Scott Adam, K9ESO, his wife Jean, KF6RVB, and Bob Riggle, KE7IIV, were murdered by the Somali pirates. Also killed with them was Phylis Macay. The four were onboard the Adam's owned yacht the Quest off the coast of Oman, East Africa, when pirates boarded their vessel on Friday, February 18. Officials were in the process of negotiating for their release when gunfire was heard around 1 AM on Tuesday, February 22. At that point United States Naval forces responded to the gunfire. Navy Seals then boarded the yacht only to discover that all four hostages had been shot by the pirates.

The Adams', who were retired, had been sailing on their 58-foot yacht delivering Bibles around the world. The indictment says at least three of the indicted men shot and killed the four Americans without provocation. They died less than a week after a Somali pirate was sentenced to more than 33 years in prison by a New York court for the 2009 hijacking of the vessel the Maersk Alabama.
That hijacking ended when Navy sharpshooters killed two pirates holding the ship's American captain.

This group of pirates is the latest to be brought to Norfolk to face charges stemming from attacks on ships off the cost of Africa. Last April, a federal grand jury indicted 11 in separate attacks on two U.S. Navy ships, the USS Ashland and the USS Nicholas. The Virginia-based ships were part of

an international flotilla protecting shipping in the pirate-infested waters off Africa.

RUSSIAN FEDERATION ADOPTS CEPT LICENSING

It should soon be easier to use amateur radio gear while visiting the Russian Federation. This, following its decision to join the CEPT Radio Amateur License agreement.

At a recent meeting the Russian State Commission for Radio Frequencies, it was decided that the Russian Federation will accept CEPT Recommendation for the CEPT Radio Amateur License and the CEPT Novice permit. The commission plans to advise CEPT Working Group R A of its decision in the near future. Working Group R A will be meeting in May and September.

IARU Region 1 says that it considers this a major step forward to eventually permit worldwide radio amateur roaming. CEPT licensing means that all nations accepting this recommendation also accept any other signatory's ham license, subject to certain limitations as valid in those nations as well.

WEIRD AND WONDERFUL

Russia's secret weapon: inflatable tanks

THEY may look like real tanks and missiles, but some of the weapons in Russia's arsenal may not all be what they seem for the army is making increasing use of inflatable replicas - decoys deployed in a cunning attempt to deceive potential enemies.

This kind of technology has existed in the army for a long time, since World War II.

Serbia used similar decoys during the country's bombardment by NATO forces in 1999 and the Alliance actually destroyed fewer genuine targets than it thought!

When a real tank and a false one stand side by side, they make almost no difference, both emit the same heat and reflect radio waves in the same way as real ones.

Another bonus is that they are easy to deploy - a tank inflates in minutes.

Read more:
news.com.au/technology/sci-tech/russias-secret-weapon-inflatable-tanks/story-fn5fsgyc-1226024550443#ixzz1H1xC1gtW

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2011

The CQ WPX is on this weekend.

Apr 23 ZL/VK 2011 VK/ZL RTTY SPRINT 80 metres

Apr 30 WW Marconi Day 2011

Apr 30 ZL/VK 2011 VK/ZL RTTY SPRINT 40 metres

VK4WIP Club Station in the CQ WPX

For the 1st time in the clubs 50 year history VK4WIP will hit the air during the CQ WPX this weekend.

All of this has been made possible through all the blood, sweat and tears from the Club's President, dedicated members and local government members within the local Ippy community.

Just this weekend past, according to our News Editor Graham VK4BB who attended, the Local Mayor, Councillor and Yaesu's National Sales Manager presented the club officially with cheque and radio.

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, REPEATER BEACON DX AND NET ADVICE

World Amateur Radio Day
"Amateur Radio: The first technology-based social network."

Members of DXXE, Mexican Contest and DX group, will activate 4A 0 IARU between April 18-24 to celebrate World Amateur Radio Day on April 18th and the 86th anniversary of the founding of the IARU.
QSL via N7RO.

http://www.dxxe.org

Titanic Anniversary (VO1MGY) Operation

Friday, April 15th is the anniversary of the Titanic disaster. To recognize this anniversary, Admiralty House Naval Museum, St. John's, Newfoundland and the Society of Newfoundland Radio Amateurs, Amateur Radio will be operational with call sign VO1MGY, 2000 UTC and continue till Saturday 16th.

CW and SSB modes on 20 and 40 meters.

Amateur Radio at Spirit of Speyside Whisky Festival

Moray Firth Amateur Radio Society is celebrating the Spirit of Speyside Whisky Festival by running three Special Event stations, one located at Strath Isla distillery in Keith (callsign GB3SWF) another located at the Craigel lachie Distillery (callsign GB2SWF) and a third at Glenfarclas Distillery (GB4SWF).

The objective of this exercise is to contact as many amateur radio stations as possible, worldwide, to promote Scotland's iconic dram - malt whisky. Each station will operate on the Shortwave (HF) bands, principally 80m, 40m and 20m SSB.

The Festival invites visitors to celebrate Scotland's national drink through an inventive and wide-ranging programme of whisky-inspired events - some educational, all of them fun.

Further details can be found on their website www.spiritofspeyside.com

AWARDS

Plenty of action!

Tony Hambling VK3VTH has scored well by activating nine new parks for the Keith Roget Memorial National Parks Award.

His marathon 300-kilometre round tour of the Gippsland parks follows news that Peter Fraser VK3ZPF put Wilsons Prom National Park on air earlier

Tony VK3VTH said contacts from National Parks included Kevin VK0KEV at Macquarie Island. He made the achievement despite fading conditions.

The rules for the Keith Roget Memorial National Parks Award have been updated following the declaration of new parks taking the total to 45, an increase of 10 since the award was revived in 2008.

Tony VK3VTH has activated 19 of the 45 parks.

A full list of the National Parks and the rules are in the awards section of the Amateur Radio Victoria website.

The aim of the award is to encourage portable use of up to the 45 designated areas across the state and has the support of Parks Victoria.

BROADCAST MONITORING SWL AND SCANNER NEWS
http://spench.net/drupal/software/rfmap)AUSTRALIAN GEOGRAPHICAL RF MAP)
http://www.scanaustralia.bigpondhosting.com
http://mt-shortwave.blogspot.com/
HTTP://www.ei7dar.com/hf.html
www.tinyurl.com/BITS-026 (A receiver located in NY USA)
http://wb4mak.com/ (Atlanta 80/40/20 Web SDR Receiver)

BBC TO ACCEPT ADVERTISING

The BBC World Service Global News Director Peter Horrocks has told Members of Parliament the BBC has decided to retain a daily hour-long Hindi-language news program on shortwave.

Over the next year, the BBC will seek commercial sponsors for BBC Hindi programs; if sufficient funding sources do not materialize by March 2012, then the service will be closed, according to press reports.

Hindi had been one of six services to be pulled completely from shortwave.

A further seven services were to be pulled entirely from the airwaves.

By 2014, the BBC World Service expected to remove almost all non-English-language programming from shortwave in favour of the Internet and local FM rebroadcast partners.

(radioworld)

MEDIA WATCH
www.cq-amateur-radio.com/WorldRadio.html
VK Club Bulletins http://groups.yahoo.com/group/aarnie/

The April edition of Amateur Radio magazine

Scoring a front cover picture and inside story on a simple portable antenna mast is Rik Head VK3KAN. His article is among the technical offerings that include a fully detailed solid- state 137 kHz transceiver built by Dale Hughes VK1DSH.

The editor Peter Freeman VK3PF discusses the reasons why the magazine is not produced electronically each month. However the Publications Committee will be issuing an annual compendium in electronic form.

Highly recommended is a read of this month's editorial column.

The bad apple operator again raises its head in the WIA Comment section by our President Michael Owen VK3KI where he questions whether the ACMA needs some appropriate policies.

He agrees that far too often the ACMA fails to enforce the law against improper behaviour within our ranks. Michael VK3KI discusses the results and findings of the WIA.

To round off coverage in Amateur Radio magazine, a WIA membership service that is available from selected newsagents, is a piece on the 80-years in the hobby achieved by George Bollas VK3LA.

I'm Barry Robinson VK3PV and you're listening to VK1WIA.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

AMSAT-VK UNOFFICIAL HF Net.
2nd Sunday each month.
April through October 1000 UTC 3.685 MHz
November through March 0900 UTC 7.068 MHz

600th ARISS ham radio school contact

ARISS (Amateur Radio on the International Space Station) reached a milestone on Thursday, March 17 when it held its 600th contact between on-orbit astronaut Cady Coleman, KC5ZTH and students from several schools in Plock and Liszyno, Poland.

The contact supported lessons about space and space exploration, communication and technology. Scout Amateur Radio Club SP5ZBA handled the radio connection during which the astronaut fielded 19 space related questions.

Nearly 120 people were in the audience.

There was extensive media coverage that included newspapers, four scientific magazines, one radio magazine, a television station, national radio (two programs) and two internet portals.

(southgate)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP --- MILITARY

Radio Security Service reunion at Bletchley Park

Maybe you are lucky enough to be visiting G-Land in April?

Well there is a reunion of ex-members of the Radio Security Service on Sunday 17th April in the Mansion at Bletchley Park.

It will include an illustrated lecture on how radio amateurs helped to win the war. More than a thousand amateur volunteers listened on

the short wave bands, in secret in their own homes, for illicit signals in the UK. What they uncovered were the transmitters of the German Secret Service operating all over Europe and beyond.

Beside penetrating the most secret aspects of the service they also learnt about spies sent here, some of whom were 'turned' to work under the supervision of radio amateurs, notably Ronnie Reed, G2RX. More can be learned at http://secretlisteners.org.

(rsgb)

MILITARY MADNESS

Just to show the more things change the more things stay the same...

Radio and Radio on HF is playing a huge part in Operation Odysses Dawm. (Doesn't have the same ring about it does it as Operation Desert Storm!)

6877 kHz is used as a "gee up" channel, possibly from a Commando Solo Aircraft and is commanding Libyan naval officers not to board their ships. No doubt 6877 was the main Libyan Naval Channel, or shall we say "frequency".

The Milcom Monitoring Post website has been reporting on the use of HF in the enforcement of the no fly zone, see http://mt-milcom.blogspot.com/

REWIND

"On behalf of the countless souls who would have died but for them, we salute all who have served our profession with skill and dedication through the years. 73"

These words closed, at 2359 on the 31st December 1999, the final morse telegraphy service transmission from an Australian Maritime Coastal Station. The first station opened in Melbourne on 8th February 1912 with a second station in Hobart opened a few weeks later.

The final transmission was sent simultaneously from Melbourne and Perth also keying transmitters in Sydney, Townsville and Darwin. The service which opened in the early years of the 20th century closed in the last minute of that century after 87 years.

More information can be found at www.coastradio.info
(Col VK4CC)

SOCIAL SCENE

2011

Apr 2 - 3 vk4 Bunya Mts & District AmCom and SCARC Somerset Dam Camp Out.
(0488 687 649)

Apr 9 vk6 Hills Amateur Radio Group HARGFEST at club rooms Lesmurdie.
(HARGFEST. ie, hamfest run by HARG)

Apr 18 WW "Amateur Radio: The first technology-based social network"
World Amateur Radio Day, April 18 and WIA Field Day.

Apr 23-24 VK2 Urunga Radio Convention Senior Citz Hall Bowra sTREET

Apr 30 - May 1 Clareview Gathering contact Clive VK4ACC of RADAR Club
04 2963 2815.

May 27-29 WIA AGM Weekend in Darwin
secretary@wia.org.au

Jun 10 - 12 VK4 Far North and North Queensland Amateur Radio Gathering at
King Reef Resort Kurrimine Beach.

Jun 11 - 12 VK2 Oxley Region Amateur Radio Club annual Field Day

Jul 16 VK3 Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club Hamfest
Cranbourne Community Hall 10am (secretary@ggrec.org.au)

Jul 31 VK2/3 Riverina Field Day 10am at Lavington Scout Group Hall.

Aug 7 VK2 Lismore region - SARCFEST

Sep 11 VK3 SADARC Comms Day at St Augustine's Hall Shepparton 10am.

Sep 16-18 VK4 NQ Amateur Radio Convention Date Set Townsville

Sep 23-28 R3 Region 3 ARDF Championship Bendigo VK3
http://r3.ardf.org.au/

Sep 30-Oct 2 VK4 Central Highlands Amateur Radio Club AGM at Camp Fairbairn
CONTACT Secretary Gordon, (vk4kal@wia.org.au)

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Goodwood Community Centre, Rosa St Goodwood at 0930.
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** EDITOR'S SPECIAL NOTICE: This week's bulletin was sent out earlier than normal to accommodate the late CQWW WPX SSB Contest announcements. Also, we wanted to provide the readers with a consolidated listing of the CQWW WPX SSB Contest participants.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Friday, 18-March, through Friday, 25th-March there were 226 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, D6, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HC8, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TR, TT, TU, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VK9C, VP2V, VP5, VP6, VP8, VP9, VR, VU, VU4, XE, XF4, XT, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZD9, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work

First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3A, MONACO. Dave, EI9FBB, will be active as 3A/EI9FBB April 20-22nd. Activity will be limited to the afternoons. All QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW/eQSL. For those who need a paper QSL, please QSL via "DIRECT ONLY" to his home callsign (see QRZ.com) along with sufficient postage.

3V, TUNISIA. SWL Ashraf "Ash", 3V4-002 (KF5EYY), will be active as 3V8SS from the "Radio Club Station of Tunisian Scouts" in Sousse, during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via LoTW or to IZ8CCW. Read about Ashraf on the following Web page at: http://www.qsl.net/3v4-002

4J, AZERBAIJAN. Members of the Safari DX Activators club will be active as 4J0SFR and 4J0LH from the Absheron (ARLHS AZE-006), Shuvalan (AZE-007) and Amburan (AZE-008) lighthouses between March 25-27th. Activity is in celebration of their 150th anniversaries. Activity will be on all HF bands using CW and SSB. Operators mentioned are: CW - Boris/4K4K and Serge/4J5A; SSB - Natig/4J5T and Anar/4K6AE. QSL via 4J5T.

5X, UGANDA. Sergei, UV5EVJ, is now active as 5X1VJ from Entebbe until June 8th. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW and SSB. During the past week he has been on 30/20/17/15/12 meters. QSL via his home callsign.

A5, BHUTAN (Update). Operators Zorro/JH1AJT (SSB), Jay/JA1TRC (CW) and Zahidul/S21VA (SSB) will be active as A51A, A52J and A52VA, respectively, from Bhutan between March 23-28th. Activity will be limited to their free time from work on the HF bands. QSL via their home callsign. ADDED NOTE: All three operators may be active during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 26-27th). Also, operators are expected to be in the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 28-29th) as a Multi-Sinlge entry. Hopefully more details will be forthcoming.

B1, CHINA. A Chinese team which includes Yongjian/BA1AJ, Mark/BA1KW, Mok/BD1ES, Wang/BH1CSV, Fan/BA1RB, ChenXi/BD1WC, Qi/BG1QXU, Feng/BG1TPD, Yong/BD1DQD, BA1AAX, ZHang/BD1BYV, and foreign operators David/VO1AU and Andrey/LZ2HM will be active as B1Z from the Beijing DX Club Contesting station during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 26-27th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via EA7FTR.

C2, NAURU (Update). It was announced that Bill, VK4FW, would lead a team of operators to activate Nauru in late 2011. Eddie, VK4AN, would be the liaison support. As per the "Pacific DXers", preliminary discussions are taking place. The callsign should be issued soon, and permission to also use 60m is being requested. If your an experienced DXers and express an interest to join them, go to the following Web page for more details at: http://pacific-dxers.com/Home.html

CR3, MADEIRA ISLAND (AF-014). Members of the CT3 Madeira Contest Team will be active as CR3A during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 26-27th) as a Multi-? entry. QSL via LoTW or CQ9K. Operators mentioned are: Joe/CT3BD, Luis/CT3DL, Joe/CT3DZ, Luis/CT3EE, Duarte/CT3EN, Miguel/CT3IA, Tiago/CT3KU, Jose/CT3KY, Jose/CT3NT, Tony/CT1FFU and Nuno/CT1FJO.

CT3, MADEIRA ISLAND (AF-014). Jose, CT3FJ, will be active during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 28-29th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m)/Low-Power entry. QSL via CT3FJ direct.

ED8, CANARY ISLANDS. Luis, EA8AY, will be active as ED8A during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via LoTW. Visit the stations Web page at: http://www.ea8ay.com/ed8a

FP, ST. PIERRE AND MIQUELON (Op extended). Allan, W6HGF, who was expected to be active as FP/W6HGF from Miquelon (NA-032) until March 22nd, reports: "Because of a loss of equipment in transit to the DX site, I was delayed in becoming operational, and had to send a special courior (my son-in-law) to bring the interface cables necessary to run RTTY. They arrived just in time for the BARTG, but I did not get much operation time prior, so I have decided to extend my operation here on St. Pierre and Miquelon until Sunday, March 27th, to make sure everyone that wants a RTTY contact gets a chance at one." QSL via LoTW. Look for more details and updates on: http://www.qsl.net/w6hgf

HI3, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC (Update). Operators "Yukon John"/KL7JR and XYL Claire/WL7MY are currently active as HI3/KL7JR and HI3/WL7MY from the Island of Hispaniola (NA-096) until June 5th. "Yukon John" informs OPDX that he has written an article on his Inverted L on Hamuniverse! (Many tnx to Don for posting it.) Read about it at:
http://www.hamuniverse.com/kl7jr16080meterinvertedl.html
E-mail for skeds. See updated bio at QRZ.com. QSL via KL7JR (QRZ.com). QSLing will start until around July.

HI7, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC. Marcello, IK8DNJ, has just obtained authorization to be active as HI7/IK8DNJ between April 30th and May 13th. Activity will be holiday style on 40/20/17/15/12/10 meters using SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via IZ8LKL.

HR, HONDURAS. The "DX-World.Net" reports that "Wild Bill", N2WB, is planning a DXpedition to Honduras in April/May 2011.

IOTA NEWS.....
OC-171. Craig, VK4LDX/VK8PDX, will be doing his last visit to Magnetic Island between April 17-20th, operating as VK4LDX/P. He'll arrive in the afternoon and hopes to be on air around 0800z using a Spiderbeam tribander on a 10m Spiderbeam mast, along with a vertical and 40m dipole. This location is on a small cliff and has a good water take off to North America on the long and short paths, and Europe on the long path. There is a hill blocking the short path to Europe and JA, but these are the most reliable paths. The Spiderbeam still should be heard on Asia and Europe short path. Craig will do updates during the DXpedition on his Blog page at:
http://vk4ldxoc171.blogspot.com
He intends to operate from 2100-0200z and 0600-1600z each day.

SA-095. Operators Cezar/VE3LYC and Dino/CE3PG have embarked on a project to activate Pupuya Islands for four days during the

second half of November. The operation will take place under
the auspices of the Radio Club de Chile. Given the difficulties
associated with operating from Pupuya Islands, various con-
tingencies will be considered, including radio equipment,
power, transportation, landing, and camping. A Web site will
be designed in due course where updates will be posted.

JW, SVALBARD. Frank, LA1RSA, will be active as JW1RSA from the JW5E club
station in Longyearbyen on Spitsbergen Island (EU-026) between April
9&#65533;15th. QSL JW1RSA via LA1RSA.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (March 21-27th)....
Mar 28 AN SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS
Mar 29 AN --------------------
Mar 30 AN BN - Below Normal
Mar 31 AN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Apr 01 AN LN - Low Normal
Mar 02 AN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Mar 03 AN DIS - Disturbed
VDIS - Very Disturbed

GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

P29, PAPUA NEW GUINEA (IOTA DXpedition/Update). Just a reminder that
Derek, G3KHZ, has organized a 6th trip to P29-land in April to activate
more IOTAs in this area. Operators mentioned are Luis/CT1AGF, Derek/G3KHZ,
Mike/G3JKX, Martyn/G3UKV, Hans/SM6CVX, and non-ham Stig (from Sweden).
The flights are booked and they plan to board M/V Barbarian on April 1st.
They go first to Feni Island (OC-101, callsign P29VCX), then Nuguria
(OC-257, callsign P29NI) and finally Green Island (OC-231, callsign
P29VLR). Hans and Stig will go to Louisiade (OC-117, callsign P29VCX)
after the main DXpedition is finished between April 22-25th, and then
to Loloata (OC-240) between April 25-27th. Activity from all locations
will be on all HF bands, including 6 meters, using CW, SSB and RTTY.
They plan to have at least 4 stations on the air all the time. QSL
P29VCX and P29VLR via SM6CVX. QSL P29NI via G3KHZ. For updates and more
complete details, watch the Web page at: http://p29ni.weebly.com

P4, ARUBA. John, W6LD, will be active as P40L during the CQWW WPX SSB
Contest (March 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via WA3FRP.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....................
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated March 25th)

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4J9M via DL7EDH (direct only) EI6DX via RX3RC PJ2/DK5ON via

DK5ON
4L4ZA via DJ1CW GJ5XW via G5XW (direct) PJ2/VA7AM via
VA7AM
4S7DXG via UR9IDX (direct only) GJ/PD1RP via PD1RP PJ2/WX7P via WX7P
5P1M via OZ2MA II2MM via IK2AQZ R5RQQ via RN3RQ
5P3WW via DL1YAW J3/PE1IGM via PA3C S79UFT via F6AXX
5P5K via DL7AOS JY5MM via IK2DUW SP0BOCIEK via
SP3PJW
A52J via JA1TRC LY21A via LY5A UR5GDX via UW7LL
CT9/DF7ZS via DF7ZS MC0SHL via M0URX V47GIW via W4GIW (LoTW
only)
CV5D via CX2ABC MJ0JZE via LoTW and EQSL only XE3MAYA via EA5KB
DK150RB via DL1SBF MJ/K3PLV via K3PLV XU7FZM via OK1FZM
EA8/G1INK/P via G1INK MJ/PD1RP via PD1RP

D2CQ LOG. The Algarve STAR DX Team reports that the D2CQ log online has been updated through March 22nd, at: http://algarvedx.com

NO8DX/20 QSL STATUS. QSLs have been ordered and cards should be going out in early April. QSL via KB8NW.

PIRATE ALERT! Knut, DK5AD, informs OPDX that a station signing HZ0ZDZ has been active the last few weeks. This station is a PIRATE. Ray is definitely not active according to OZ1HET/HS and his QSL Manager GM4FDM.

VK0KEV LOGS. Kevin, VK0KEV, who is active from Macquarie Island, reports on QRZ.com: "Due to the sheer volume of requests received, I am unable to respond to E-mails. If you would like to check your entry in my log please go to: http://www.hrdlog.net/ViewLogbook.aspx?user=0kev
QSL via JE1LET (direct only)."

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 9M6/VO1ASU, EW7KF, FP/W6HGF, HA5AQ, HR5/F2JD, KG4KL, KP2DX, LA6YEA, OH6CT, P40A, V25OP, V25WY, VP2V/G3PHO, VP8NO, XE83IARU and Z21BB

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3C0CW, 4Z5AD, 5R8X, 9J2BO, A35AY, AH0J, AP2ARS, C6AGN, CP6XE, CY0X, D44AC, HC2/SM0COP, HL5NLQ, J39BS , KH2L, OD5NJ, OH3JR/VP9, PJ4D, PJ4W, ST2AR, T30OU, T6MB, V73QQ, V73TM, WA2USA/4, ZB2FK, ZD9T and ZL8X

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: NONE REPORTED THIS WEEK!

SV5, DODECANESE (EU-001). John, N5ER, will be active as SV5/N5ER between May 15-20th. Activity will be holiday style, mainly on the lower bands in the evening and early mornings. Also, 20 meters and lower will be CW only. QSL via N5ER.

TC7, TURKEY (Special Event). Members of the Turkish group called TCSWAT (Special Wireless Activity Team) and the Giresun Radio Amateurs and Nature Sports Club (GITRAD) are proud to announce that they will activate TC7TC from Tirebolu Castle and Lighthouse between March 25-27th. This is the first time that this lighthouse will be activated. Activity will be on the HF/VHF/UHF bands and is also good for the EBLOTA Award:

http://www.tcswat.org/awards/EBLOTA/index.html
QSL via the TA Bureau or direct to YM7KK GITRAD. For more info, go
to the QRZ.com Web page or TCSWAT Web page at: http://www.tcswat.org

TK4, CORSICA. Operators Tonny/ON1DNF, Jaak/ON4PJA, Joeri/ON7IQ, Jempi/
ON7JPS and Geert/ON7QC will be active as TK4DS from a bungalow at "San
Damiano Camp" in the village Biguglia, on the Island of Corsica (EU-014)
between April 21-24th. Activity will be on all HF bands using SSB and
the Digital modes. QSL via ON4AMM direct or by the Bureau to ON4PJA. For
more details, go to the Web page (still under construction) at:
http://www.tk4ds.be

VP9, BERMUDA. Operators Wade/AA8LL and Liz/K8LIZ will be active from
Hamilton, Bermuda (NA-005), as VP9/AA8LL and VP9/K8LIZ between March
30th and April 4th. Activity will be holiday style on most HF bands.
Look for Liz to operate on SSB, while Wade operates on CW and RTTY.
Wade hopes that maybe 10 and 12 meters will be open again. All QSOs
will be uploaded to LoTW. QSL via their home callsigns, direct or by
the Bureau.

VU4, ANDAMAN ISLANDS (Update). Members of the Amateur Radio Society of
India (ARSI) are now active as VU4PB from Port Blair through March 31st.
QSL Manager will be W3HNK. The VU4PB does have an "Online QSL Request
System" (OQRS) available at:
http://arsi.info/dxpeditions/vu4pb-mar-2011/oqrs-vu4pb
Any QSL cards received via any IARU recognized QSL Bureau will be answered
in due course of time. An online log search is available at:
http://arsi.info/dxpeditions/vu4pb-mar-2011/log-search
For more details and updates, visit the VU4PB Web apge at:
http://arsi.info/dxpeditions/vu4pb-mar-2011

YB1, INDONESIA. Members of the West Java DX Association will be active
as YB1C during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 26-27th) as a Multi-Single
entry. QSL via the Bureau or direct to address on QRZ.com. Operators
mentioned are YB1CCF, YB1ALL, YB1NWP, YB1KAR, YC1KAF, YC1OO, YC1MAM,
YC1HQQ, YC1BTV, YD1GCL, YD1ORZ, YD1MRI and YD1JZ.

ZD8, ASCENSION ISLAND. German operators Wolf/DK1IP, Rainer/DL7OR, Gerd/
DJ4KW, Arno/DL1CW and Werner/DJ9KH will be active as ZD8D from Ascension
Island (AF-003) between July 24th and August 9th. Activity will be on
160-10 meters, mainly on the Digital modes with some CW and SSB later.
They will be using Elecraft K3s. The team plans to participate in the
RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st). A Web page is currently under con-
struction. The team is seeking sponsors, especially for an amplifier.

The following stations are expected to be active in the
CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 26-27th, 2011)

Thanks to Bill, NG3K, for providing OPDX readers with the following
consolidated listing of the participants in the 2010 CQWW WPX SSB Contest.
For a more detailed listing (and up-to-date changes/corrections) in HTML

format, please visit Bill's Web page at:
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/wpxs2011.html (By callsign)
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/wpxsd2011.html (By entity)

Contest Callsign	DXCC Entity	Class	QSL Route
3D2A	Fiji	MO	VK4AN
3V1A	Tunisia	M/S	YT1AD
3V8SS	Tunisia	SOAB LP	LoTW
4M5IR	Venezuela	SOAB LP	YV5KG
4W3A	Timor Leste	SOAB LP	M0OXO Direct
5B/HA5PP	Cyprus	SOAB	HA5PP
5D5A	Morocco	M/2	LoTW; QSL via I2WIJ
5P3WW	Denmark	M/S	DL1YAW Direct
5P5K	Denmark	SOAB HP	DL7AOS
5Z4EE	Kenya	SOAB HP	NV7E
6V7D	Senegal	M/?	UA0SE
7S0X	Sweden	M/2	7S0X
8P	Barbados		W5PF
8P3A	Barbados	SO LP	VE3DZ
8P5A	Barbados	SOAB HP	LoTW; QSL via NN1N
A60A	United Arab Emirates	M/2	
B1Z	China	M/2	EA7FTR
BX5AA	Taiwan	SOAB HP	BX5AA
BV100	Taiwan	M/S	BV2KI
CE1A	Chile	M/?	XQ1KZ
CE3G	Chile	M/S	CE3WDH
CN2BC	Morocco	SOAB LP	DL7BC
CQ3L	Madeira		DJ6QT
CQ7L	Portugal	SOAB LP	LoTW; QSL via CT1EGF Buro
CR3A	Madeira	M/?	LoTW
DK150RB	Germany	SOAB LP	DL1SBF Buro
E7DX	Bosnia & Herzegovina	SOAB HP	E77E
ED1R	Spain	SOAB	EA4RCH
EI6DX	Ireland	M/S	RX3RC
ER4A	Moldova	SOAB HP	RA4LW
ES6Q	Estonia	SOSB 15M	ES5RY
FM5FJ	Martinique	SOSB 20M	KU9C
GJ5XW	Jersey		G5XW Direct
HH2/PY1ZV	Haiti	SOAB	PY1NB
HI3TEJ	Dominican Republic	SOAB LP	HI3TEJ Direct
HQ2W	Honduras	M/S	OK1DOT
HS0ZDG	Thailand	SO	K4YT
IF9A	Sicily	M/S	IT9ATF
II5P	Italy	M/S	IZ5ICH
II9K	Sicily	M/S	IT9HBT
II9T	Sicily	M/S	IT9ESW
IH9YMC	African Italy	SOSB	eQSL
IQ1RY	Italy	M/2	IW1FNW

IY4FGM Italy M/S IK4UPU
J28RO Djibouti F8DFP
KH2RU/KP4 Puerto Rico M/? NP3O Direct
KH0/KH7ERI Mariana Islands SO JF1VGZ Direct
KP4WW Puerto Rico SOSB 15M W3HNK
KV4FZ Virgin Islands SO LP
LP1H Argentina M/? EA5KB
LS1D Argentina M/? LW9EOC
LX7I Luxembourg SOAB LX2A
P40L Aruba SOAB WA3FRP
P40M Aruba M/S W3HNK
PJ2T Curacao M/? LoTW; QSL via N9AG
PR5B Brazil SOSB 20M PY2BW
PW5G Brazil SOSB 10M PP5VB
PT5T Brazil M/2 PP5EG
PV2P Brazil M/S PY2DY
PV7M Brazil SOAB LP PT7ZT
PX2V Brazil M/S PY2KJ
R5RQQ Russia (Europe) M/? LoTW; QSL via RN3RQ
RA0FF Russia (Asia) SO LoTW; QSL via RA0FF direct
RT9J Russia (Asia) M/2
SX5P Dodecanese SOSB 40M
TC3C Turkey SOAB LP TA3HM
TO5A Martinique SOAB F5VHJ
TO11A Guadeloupe SO
V31MM Belize M/? WB2REM
V47JA St. Kitts & Nevis SOAB W5JON
VC2B Canada M/S VE2BR
VC6X Canada VE6BF Direct
VK4WIP Australia M/S VK4WIP
VK9CF Cocos Keeling SO K8NA
VP9I Bermuda SO
VQ51V Turks & Caicos SOAB W5CW Direct
WP3C Puerto Rico SOSB 80M W3HNK
XR6T Chile M/2 CE3FED Buro
XU7FMZ Cambodia SOSB JA1FMZ
YB1C Indonesia M/S YB1C Buro
YE0X Indonesia M/2 YE0X; QSL via Buro or direct
ZF2AE/ZF8 Cayman Islands SOAB LP LoTW; QSL via AA5UK,
Buro/direct/eQSL
ZL3IO New Zealand SOAB ZL3IO

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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE
OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
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http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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Excerpts and distribution of The OPDX Bulletin are granted as long as
KB8NW/OPDX/BARF80 receive credit. To contribute DX info, please send
via InterNet Mail to: kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org - OR - kb8nw@arrl.net
Information can now be faxed to the following "NEW" phone line at:
1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)

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ARRL Assistant Director of the Great Lakes Division
Sysop of the "Basic Amateur Radio Frequency BBS" (BARF80.ORG)

310. i dont know

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-26 18:18:11 UTC
From: kb9rqz <anon@anon>
Message-ID: <4ii066.k0r.19.1@news.alt.net>
Source record: 4750
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.cb

now what have you won you have caused chaos that will certainkly harm the CCRA but what else you have done I don't know

311. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-26 18:19:44 UTC
From: kb9rqz <kb9rqz-ars@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <1a98a967-f1fc-4e69-902c-846c4400c3f7@17g2000prr.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4601
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.cb

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On Mar 26, 2:18 pm, "kb9rqz" <anon@anon> wrote:
> now what have you won you have caused chaos that will certainkly harm the
> CCRA but what else you have done I don't know
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312. SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 27 MARCH 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-26 19:00:23 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <20110326190010.1D1F433C5F@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4602
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 27 MARCH 2011

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'ARMI' and follow the links for details. PLEASE NOTE: for audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail. Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 and 3,695 MHz SSB.

SILENT KEYS

It is with regret that it has to be announced that the keys of two radio amateurs became silent. They are:

John Du Plessis, ZS6AGQ, became silent key in November last year. He leaves his wife, Maureen.

The second one is Tony Marran, ZR2AI, of Graaff-Reinet on 19 March who leaves his wife Marie.

Our sincere condolences to the relatives and friends of the deceased.

(PAUSE)

In the news today

TDMA NEXT DEVELOPMENT IN AMATEUR RADIO?

PROGRAMMING IN WINDOWS COURSE TO BE PRESENTED IN GAUTENG

RTA GOES TO CAPE TOWN

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting news items.

TDMA NEXT DEVELOPMENT IN AMATEUR RADIO?

Time division multiple access (TDMA) is a channel access method for shared medium networks. It allows several users to share the same frequency channel by dividing the signal into different time slots. The users transmit in rapid succession, one after the other, each using his own time slot. This allows multiple stations to share the same radio frequency channel.

On Tuesday, March 15, the ARRL filed a Petition for Rulemaking and a Request for Temporary Waiver to authorize the use of single-time-slot Time Division Multiple Access (TDMA) emissions in the amateur bands at and above 50 MHz, wherever multiple-time-slot TDMA is authorized. The ARRL -- which called its Petition "very narrow in scope" -- seeks to facilitate the use of and experimentation by radio amateurs with existing narrowband spectrum-efficient digital voice and data technology." Such technology is now in regular and increasing use in the private land mobile radio services, but its use in the Amateur Radio Service is now apparently unintentionally precluded by two specific Commission rules," the ARRL's Petition stated.

Radio amateurs are presently using a Motorola narrowband (12,5 kHz) digital land mobile system -- commercially marketed as MotoTRBO and they ask to make it legal.

The use of TDMA digital emissions in certain frequency bands in the Amateur Service is on the increase, the ARRL noted. There are numerous narrowband UHF repeater facilities now operating that use multiple slot TDMA repeaters and single slot TDMA handheld digital transceivers, principally in the 70 cm band. These systems have been installed primarily in the western part of the US and in the New York City area, but also in several Midwestern states.

The SARL is currently studying the ARRL initiative in respect of the South African Radio regulations. Comments and input are invited to artoday@sarl.org.za.

AMATEUR RADIO TODAY FREQUENCY AND TIME CHANGE

>From today the Amateur Radio Today 16 metre band frequency changes to 17 750 kHz. The time of the Monday retransmission changes to a much earlier timeslot, from 22:00 CAT to 18:30 CAT on a frequency of 3 230 kHz on an omni directional antenna. Reception reports are invited to artoday@sarl.org.za. For a full list of transmission times and relays visit www.sarl.org.za and select Amateur Radio Today for the left hand menu.

PROGRAMMING IN WINDOWS COURSE TO BE PRESENTED IN GAUTENG ON 18 JUNE

The Learning to programme in Windows course will be presented at the National Amateur Radio centre on Saturday 18 June. Booking is now open. Details can be found on www.sarl.org.za and select RTA. The course was successfully presented in Cape Town last weekend. Listen to what delegates had to say on the RTA pages on the SARL web.

RTA GOES TO CAPE TOWN FIRST

The first Radio Technology in Action programme of 2011 will be held in Cape Town on 7 May on the Bellville Campus of the Cape Peninsula University of Technology. Programme details will be available on the web later in the week.

SA AMSAT POSTPONES SPACE SYMPOSIUM

SA AMSAT has postponed the Space Symposium originally planned for 2 April to a later date. School holidays in Gauteng and too many other Amateur related activities around the same time seem to be one of the reasons for the low registration rate. A new date will be announced in due course.

SARL MEMBERSHIP NOW 1 519

The membership of the SARL reached 1 519 last week. We welcome the following new members and wish them a long and mutually beneficial association with the SARL:

Abel Van Den Heever, ZR6EBL Hendrik Swanepoel, ZR6HSW Gideon de Swardt, ZSL1008 Chris du Plessis, ZS2M Adrian Lamond, ZR6ADR Ben van der Merwe, ZR1AHB

CONTEST NEWS

The second SARL 80 m Club Contest will be run on Wednesday evening 30 March 2011 from 17:30 to 18:30 UTC. This contest is a digital contest with PSK and RTTY activity.

Do you want to get out and set up a field station? Well on Saturday 2 April you can participate in the first leg of the Rapid Deployment Amateur Radio or RaDAR contest. The contest runs from 12:00 to 18:00 UTC with activity on all amateur bands including cross band contacts via amateur satellites. QSOs via terrestrial repeaters will not be allowed. All amateur modes may be used.

Find the rules for both contests in the 2011 SARL Contest Manual.

Results.

SARL March Madness YL Sprint. Nine logs and one check log was received for the SARL March Madness YL Sprint held on Saturday 12 March 2011. Four of the logs came from YLs and the rest from non-YLs.

1st Pam Momberg, ZS6PAM, 87 points 2nd Melinda Mynhardt, ZU6MM, 61 points 3rd Dawn Snyders, ZS5ME, 58 points 4th Colette Rundle, ZS2CR, 39 points 5th Wessie Wessels, ZS2A, 35 points 6th Gideon Jannasch, ZS6GJA, 27 points 7th Bloemfontein RAC, ZS4BFN, 26 points 8th Shane Daniel, ZS4TW, 24 points 9th Nigel Burgess, ZR6NGB, 19 points 10th Denis Wheeler, ZR6DNS, 12 points

Check log, Derek Stuart, ZS2J, 14 points, and the winner of the lucky draw is Dawn Snyders, ZS5ME.

Correction to the SARL Hamnet Contest. In SARL News last Sunday, one of the call signs in the Single Operator Base Station class was incorrect. In 8th place with 780 points is Judy Pretorius, ZS6JDY, not ZS6JDV.

The results of the SARL Digital Contest announced last Sunday have been revised due to a log that went missing.

The results are as follows:

1st ZS6A ,Pierre van Deventer 494 points 2nd ZS6JR, Daniel Hubbard 450 points 3rd ZS6GRL, Geoff Levey 443 points

SARL National Field Day, Pleasant Surprise. The winner of the lucky draw in this contest is the Centurion ARC, ZS6CEN.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is at moderate levels. Big Sunspot 1 176 which is located in the southern hemisphere produced another low level M-Class flare during the week. There will continue to be a chance for M-Class flares around this region. In the northern hemisphere, new sunspot 1 177 was numbered on Wednesday. Two new sunspots were numbered on Thursday. Sunspot 1 178 in the southern hemisphere and 1 179 in the north are both simple regions and pose no threat for strong solar flares at this time. The effective sunspot number is expected to be around 60 for the coming week.

15 m will provide the best opportunities for DX followed by 20 m. With the higher sunspot activity 10 m will open first followed by the lower bands later during the day. Conditions to India will be good from the afternoon till after sunset. During the late afternoons conditions will be good towards Europa. Fair contacts with the USA are possible during the evening. Contacts with Australia are possible on 20 m after sunset. Openings to Brazil and South America are possible during the afternoons. With the good 15 and 20 m openings 17 m will also be full of surprises.

For the CW and digital enthusiasts 30 m may be very rewarding with openings to many parts of the world.

Locally is 40 m the work horse for contacts around the country with 20 and 30-m also being very useful for contacts over the longer distances. 80 m will be best during the early mornings and late afternoons as well as over the shorter distances.

80 m is the frequency of choice during the evenings.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

30 March - Second SARL club competition on PSK and RTD, 17:30-18:30 UTC. 2 April - RaDAR competetion 12:0 - 18:0 UTC. 15-16 April - SARL National Convention at Vaal University for Technology. 7 May - RTD in Cape Town. 18 June - Programming in Windows course in Gauteng. Book at www.sarl.org.za.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 750 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'ARMI' and follow the links. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 18:30 CAT on 3 230 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by George, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening, 73.
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313. 19+ HOT VIDEOS AND SEXY PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-27 09:26:32 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <69428994-75f7-418f-95f0-184e4586f196@f31g2000pri.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4603

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314. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 27th March 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-27 20:00:13 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20110327200004.A2E4C33C5F@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4604
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 27th March 2011

IRTS News Feeds

RSS news feeds are rapidly becoming the way to publish information in a timely fashion without pushing emails and cluttering inboxes. The user initially downloads an RSS reader and subscribe to the feed by going to the relevant feed site.

Jim EI4HH has introduced a service on a trial basis for IRTS members which will publish brief details of items such as AGM and Rally details, IRTS News and Contest Dates. This is not intended to be a high through-put information service but rather an intermittent service which would keep active operators up to date with frequent snippets of relevant information.

Members should click the RSS button on the IRTS website or go to http://www.irts.ie/rss to sign up and see the feed.

Further information from Jim EI4HH at holohaj2 /at/ hotmail /dot/ com

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Russia to Adopt CEPT Licence

The Russian State Commission for Radio Frequencies decided recently to adopt CEPT

Recommendation T/R 61-01. This is the recommendation that sets out the arrangements for the CEPT licensing system. This step will increase further the facilities for radio amateurs to operate while on a short visit to another country without the necessity of obtaining a licence from the authorities of the country being visited.

Luxembourg 5 MHz Beacon

A new 60 metre beacon is operational from Luxembourg. The call sign is LX&#65533;HF and the frequency is 5205.25 kHz.

North Cork Radio Group

The North Cork Radio Group, after last year's great success, is pleased to announce their second annual rally and electronics fair at the Blarney Golf Resort, Tower, Co Cork. on Sunday September the 11th 2011.

The doors open to the public at 11.30 and the rally will run throughout the afternoon. The usual traders will be on hand with some very tasty bargains, South East Communications, Long Communications and JBT Trading.

The Hotel are also offering room deals for the rally a Room Only from 59 and Double Room inc B&B: 79 Please Contact the hotel directly for room bookings on Tel:+353 21 4384477. www.blarneygolfresort.com

Small traders are very welcome but it essential that they contact the events organiser Liam EI7GTB, Tel: 085-7039042 Email: ei7gtb / at/gmail /dot/com as soon as possible.

Further details can be found via the group's website, www.ei1nc.com.com

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International Marconi Day

International Marconi Day takes place this year on Saturday 30th April. The Howth Martello Radio Group will be participating once again as an award station using the call-sign EI0MAR.

This is not a contest but there are several nice awards available for working the officially listed stations, each of which has an historic connection with Marconi. The event is organised by the Cornish Amateur Radio Club. For more information please visit the club's website http://crac.g4usb.net/cracblog/.

EI0MAR operates from the Martello Tower overlooking the East Pier in Howth. The tower now houses a vintage radio museum. In 1905 the British Post Office carried out wireless telegraphy experiments at the tower in Howth using Marconi equipment.

Visitors are always welcome at the museum and the group hopes to see many visitors during the IMG event in April. The HMRG's website is www.ei0mar.org where a free information booklet in PDF format can be downloaded.

The North Cork Radio Group are pleased to announce that they will be active from the Marconi Signal Station at Goleen, Mizen Head, West Cork, where Marconi sent many of his first test transmissions to America.

Further details will be posted nearer the event, however, please pencil the day free if you'd like to attend or work the station. The Official call sign for the event will be EI-0-IMD and it is hoped we will be excepted on the official International Marconi Day Awards Program.

South Dublin Radio Club

South Dublin Radio Club Annual General Meeting (AGM) will take place in Terenure College on Tuesday 29th March at 8pm sharp.

All members are welcome and asked to attend. Also, at the South Dublin Radio Club, amateur radio theory classes will be held on a weekly basis and morse classes will be held in the near future.

Cork Radio Club

Cork Radio Club will meet on Monday March 28th at the Community Centre on Main Street in Carrigtwohill at 2030 hours. This meeting will discuss a programme of events for the year ahead and new members are very welcome. Enquiries about the club to Jeremy on 083-3317710 or Dave on 087-6290574 or by email to info /at/ corkradioclub /dot/ com

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Louth Erne Amateur Radio Club

Ireland has a rich heritage of townlands. Cratloemoyle townland, in County Clare is the place to be today (Sunday 27 March) for the IRTS AGM and the Limerick rally.

Shanaghy townland, in County Fermanagh, is the place to be in three weeks time for Ireland's next big gathering of radio amateurs and experimenters. The Lough Erne Pearl Anniversary Rally will be there, in the SHARE centre, on Sunday 17 April.

The SHARE centre is also celebrating its thirtieth anniversary. Founded in 1982 it is now Ireland's largest residential centre with a wide range of activities that include amateur radio events, courses, license examinations, and of course the Rally.

As well as bar and food facilities at modest prices, attractions alongside the Rally include family activities and an afternoon voyage round the bays and wooded islands of scenic Upper Lough Erne on board SHARE's luxury 57 seat Inishcruiser.

CQ CQ CQ Club News

Club secretaries and PRO officers are encouraged to send news items to newsteam/at/ irts/dot/ ie .

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

315. [DXNL] DXNL 1721 (Mar 30, 2011)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-28 20:37:47 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <509993812.20110328223212@dxhf.darc.de>
Source record: 4605
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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EL - LIBERIA
Silvano,I2YSB, and his team with Vinicio,IK2CIO, Angelo,IK2CKR,
Marcello,IK2DIA, and Stefano,IK2HKT, are travelling to Africa again
from Mar 31 until Apr 13. Their destination will be Liberia this time.
They want to work with three stations in CW, SSB and RTTY on 80m-6m but
their call is not known yet. Their pilot station will be Art,IK7JWY,
and IH9GPI takes care of their online log at: http://www.i2ysb.com
QSL cards can be sent ONLY direct via I2YSB.

JW - SVALBARD, EU-026
Francois,JW/F8DVD, will be active from the Longyearbyen radio club on
Spitsbergen (EU-026) from Apr 1-8. He works in CW and SSB on all bands.
The club has an ICOM-751, a 500 watts amplifier and a 5 ele yagi on a
30m tower. Francois confirms QSL cards via the REF bureau or direct.
Please visit also his homepage at: http://f8dvd.monsite-orange.fr

KH0 - NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS, OC-086
Kirk,WE8A/KH0, is expected to show up from OC-086 between Mar 30 and
Apr 2. Kirk will be QRV in CW and SSB on 80m-10m with emphasis put on
the WARC bands.
The QSL cards should be sent ONLY direct to following address:
5-1-35, Daikaidori, Kobe, 652-0803 Japan.

OX - GREENLAND, NA-018
Michael,OX/DB5MH, is making a ski trip to Greenland (NA-018) from
Mar 28 until Apr 7. He is looking forward to make as many QSOs as
possible with his battery/solar powered 5 watts radio. Michael will try
to be present on 14290 and/or 14310 kHz every day from 2000-2200 UTC.
Since he has only little power he will not call himself all the time
but reacts on other CQ calls. See also: http://www.diskoisland.de
QSL cards should be sent via bureau or direct to DB5MH.

P29 - PAPUA NEW GUINEA
Derek,G3KHZ/P29NI, is organizing his sixth trip to Papua New Guinea.
He will be accompanied by Luis,CT1AGF, Mike,G3JKX, Martyn,G3UKV, and
Hans,SM6CVX. They want to activate several IOTA islands from Apr 2-27:
Apr 2-7 Feni Island (OC-101) as P29VCX, QSL via SM6CVX
Apr 8-14 Nuguria Island (OC-257) as P29NI, QSL via G3KHZ
Apr 15-18 Green Island (OC-231) as P29VLR, QSL via SM6CVX
After that Hans,SM6CVX, plans to work alone signing P29VCX from:
Apr 22-25 Misima Island (OC-117), QSL via SM6CVX
Apr 25-27 Loloata Island (OC-240), QSL via SM6CVX
Operation will take place in CW, SSB and RTTY on all HF bands with up
to four stations simultaneously.
For more information check their website at: http://p29ni.weebly.com

P4 - ARUBA, SA-036
Dee,P4/W1HEO, will be a guest operator of the P49V contest station on
Aruba (SA-036) from Apr 3-16. Dee will be QRV in CW and SSB on 160m-10m
but especially on 30m-10m. His preferred frequencies are: 14040, 18098,
21040 and 28040 kHz in CW, and 14260, 18128, 21260, 28460 kHz in SSB.
QSL via W1HEO, via bureau or direct.

PJ2 - CURACAO, SA-006
Andy,PJ2/DK5ON, is staying on Curacao (SA-006) from Mar 19 until Apr 2.
He is using a groundplane on 40m, several dipoles for 10m/15m/20m,
a single element Quad on 20m and a wire antenna running with 100 watts.
Andy wants to receive his QSLs via bureau to his homecall or direct.

YN - NICARAGUA
YN2MG (NM5G), YN2ER (K5WQG) and YN2ET (N5ET) are working in CW, SSB and
RTTY from Nicaragua until Apr 3. QSLs for all calls via N5ET, LoTW ok.

ZA - ALBANIA
Franck,ZA/F4DTO, will be QRV again from Elbasan from Apr 2-16. Franck
works mostly in SSB on 40m-10m. He is running 100 watts into monoband
antennas. Please visit his homepage at: http://monsite.orange.fr/f4dto
QSLs via REF bureau to his homecall or direct.

5X - UGANDA
Sergei,UV5EVJ, is now active as 5X1VJ from Entebbe and will stay
there until Jun 8. He is working in CW and SSB on all bands.
QSL cards should be sent via bureau or direct to his homecall.

9L - SIERRA LEONE
The DXpedition to Sierra Leone (9L5MS) announced in the last DXNL is
probably starting on Apr 2 (instead of Mar 29) because a container
with important equipment was stuck in customs.

9N - NEPAL
The call of the German DXpedition to Nepal from Mar 27 until Apr 8
will be 9N7AN (not 9N7AA). This is also the callsign of Ernst,DK7AN,
who went to Kathmandu in advance. They will use 9N7WL on 2m via EME.
QSL cards for 9N7AN should be sent to DL4SVA, 9N7WL via DK5WL.
More information and an online log is at: http://www.160m.de/9N7AN

BULGARIA, SPECIAL EVENT STATION
Some members of the "Bulgarian Federation of Radio Amateurs" (BFRA)
are activating the special callsign LZ85R since Mar 1. This is to
celebrate the 85th anniversary of the first radio club of Bulgaria.
All operations will last until Dec 31.
The QSL manager LZ1BJ prefers to confirm via the bureau.

CZECH REPUBLIC, SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS
The FC Viktoria Plzen was founded in 1911. The actual leader of the
"Czech Premier League" is celebrating his 100th birthday with his
fans with radio license. The special event station OL1911VP is working
until Mar 31 and during the whole month of June. OL2011VP will be QRV
in April and July and last not least the station OL100VP will be active
in May and August. QSLs should be sent via bureau or direct to OK1DRQ.

PIRATE: Do not waste your time when you hear HS0ZDZ again. The holder of the
license Ray Gerrard (G3NOM) has not made a QSO since July 31, 2004. Ray
suffered a stroke in 2004 and was not active on the bands since then.
His call is abused by a pirate from time to time.
His QSL manager GM4FDM is uploading the log data of HS0ZDZ to the LoTW
at the moment. The HS0/G3NOM log has been uploaded to the LoTW already.

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de
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You can download a video about the TJ9PF DXpedition at:
http://www.dailymotion.com/video/xhrbr6_tj9pf-daily_travel

"Yukon John" and his XYL Claire are active as HI3/KL7JR and HI3/WL7MY
from Hispaniola (NA-096). John and Claire are staying in the Dominican
Republic until Jun 5 and the QSLs will be sent starting in July. John
has written an article with many pictures about his Inverted L antenna:
http://www.hamuniverse.com/kl7jr16080meterinvertedl.html

Kevin,VK0KEV, who is going to stay on Macquarie (AN-005) for one more
year, complains about too many e-mails from DXers asking if they are
in the log. You can avoid this now by checking his logbook online at:
http://www.hrdlog.net/ViewLogbook.aspx?user=VK0KEV

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Apr 2/3: QRP-ARCI Spring QSO Party
Apr 2/3: SP DX Contest
Apr 2/3: EA RTTY Contest

IOTA collected by Fredy,DE0MST (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AF-024, S7, Seychelles = Inner Islands: A group of French OPs is signing

S79UFT from Mahe Island between Mar 24 and Apr 15. QSL via F6AXX.

EU-010, G, Isle of Barra: Ray/M1REK/p and Andy/M1LOL/p will show up from
the Isle of Barra in SSB, PSK and RTTY on 80m-10m from Apr 2-9.

EU-026, JW, Spitsbergen Island (main): Francoise,JW/F8DVD, will be QRV
from the capital Longyearbyen on Spitsbergen from Apr 1-8.
QSL via homecall (bureau/direct).

EU-123, GM/MM, Scottish Coastal Islands: Adrian,M0PAI, and other members
of the "Macclesfield and District A.R.S." will be active as GS4MWS
from Arran Island (IOSA CL-01 and SCOTIA CS-14) from Apr 2-7.
QSL via M0PAI (bureau/direct).

NA-005, Bermuda Island: Elizabeth,VP9/K8LIZ, and Wade,VP9/AA8LL, will be QRV
in CW, SSB and RTTY from Hamilton Parish between Mar 30 and Apr 4.
QSLs via homecalls (bureau/direct/LoTW).

Lighthouse activities (WLOTA/ARLHS/ILLW)

JW/F8DVD L 4318 Spitsbergen Apr 1-8
S79UFT D 6871 Mahe Island Mar 24-Apr 15

Bandspots of the last 7 days

160m
BU2AQ 1.810 2150Z (d)
GJ5XW 1.850 2343Z via G5XW (d)
UK8GK 1.827 2223Z via RW6HS (d)
UN7PV 1.821 2335Z
VU4PB 1.824 2018Z via W3HNK (d)
YC0LOW/1 1.828 2157Z (B)
YM7KA 1.846 2320Z via TA7KA (B)
5B4AJC 1.821 2203Z via UA3DX
6V7D 1.831 2217Z via UA0SE (B)

80m
A92IO 3.525 2132Z via EI3IO (B)

40m
IG9/IW9ELR 7.070 2152Z EU-025

30m
YO6EX/p 10.116 0619Z YOFF-408, (B)
9A/VE3ZIK 10.104 1721Z DK8ZZ (B)

20m
EA1LQ/p 14.285 1347Z SOTA CR-012
EA8/G1INK/p 14.310 1605Z SOTA LA-003, via G1INK (B)
GB0SPD 14.010 1730Z via GI0BJH (B)
LZ85R 14.017 1717Z via LZ1BJ (B)
9M2MRS 10.115 1728Z PA0RRS (B)

15m
HC2SL 21.019 1625Z via EA5KB (B)
OL1911VP 21.017 1511Z via OK1DRQ (B)
OX3XR 21.025 1643Z via OZ3PZ (B)
VU4PB 21.295 1034Z via W3HNK (d)
YV5DTJ 21.035 1713Z via YV5AJ (B)
ZB2CN 21.007 1544Z via DJ9WH (d)
3B8CF 21.026 1354Z (d)
4X/K2LS 21.020 1534Z via K2LS (B), (L)
6W2SC 21.021 1726Z via HA3AUI (d)
7X4AN 21.003 1741Z (d)

12m
CN2MR 24.893 1418Z via MJ0ASP (B)
Z22CW 24.909 0907Z via DK7PE (B)
4X/K2LS 24.890 0903Z via K2LS (B), (L)

10m
V521NAM 28.497 0836Z (B)
6W2SC 28.028 1637Z via HA3AUI (d)

* new QSL manager
(d) only direct
(B) bureau ok
(L) oTW
(r) bureau QSL via e-mail request

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15Mar-02Apr 3D2A 1719
-Dec 3Y8XSA 1700/1717
09Apr 4D69DM 1720
-25Oct 5B50J 1700
20Mar-01Apr 5P5K 1719
20Feb-14Apr 5X1NH 1715
-08Jun 5X1VJ 1721 *
-Apr/12 5Z4RH ? 1674
01Feb-31Mar 6W2SC/J5UAP 1712
24Mar-03Apr 8P9CW 1720
13Mar-30Mar 9A/VE3ZIK 1718
-Sep 9J2KK 1682
02Apr-18Apr 9L5MS 1720
-Apr 9M2MRS 1697
NOW 9M6/KM9D 1699
26Mar-08Apr 9N7AN 1720/1721 *
SOON 9Q1EK 1669
-Nov 9Q6CC 1699

-Aug A92IO 1663
-31Dec BP100 1684
-31Dec BV100 1684

-01May CN2PV 1714
10Mar-06Apr CT9/DL3KWR.. 1718
-31Dec CW5RV 1711
-May D2AK 1675
-22Apr D2QR 1675
-31Aug DL20Y2DM 1700
31Mar-13Apr EL (I2YSB..) 1721 *
09Mar-31Mar FG/F6ITD 1718
-Aug FO8RZ 1636
-Jul/12 FR8NE 1710
-Mar FT5YK/p.. 1715

02Apr-07Apr GS4MWS 1721 *
13Jan-12Apr H44MS 1710
-31Dec HB60LU 1711
01Jan-31Dec HG200LST 1708
-30Jun HG2011A 1713
-05Jun HI3/KL7JR 1717/1721 *
-May HR5/F2JD 1718
01Jan-31Dec IA7MM 1708
01Jan-31Dec II1ITA.. 1708
01Mar-30Sep IO4UI 1717
01Jan-31Mar IO7DAI 1708
-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul/12 J28RO 1683
23Mar-02Apr J45PO 1720
01Apr-08Apr JW/F8DVD 1721 *

-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
POSTPONED KH5 1674/1705
-31Dec LA200D 1713
-31Mar LM11SKI 1713
NOW LU1ZA (S.O.) 1695
-31Dec LZ85R 1721 *
02Apr-09Apr M1REK/p.. 1721 *
22Mar-30Mar MJ/K8PT.. 1720
May &Aug OL100VP 1721 *
Mar &Jun OL1911VP 1721 *
Apr &Jul OL2011VP 1721 *
28Mar-07Apr OX/DB5MH 1721 *
24Mar-18Apr OX/G4MFX 1720

-Sep P29CW 1713
02Apr-27Apr P29VCX.. 1721 *
03Apr-16Apr P4/W1HEO 1721 *
01Jan-31Dec PA30.. 1708
-02Apr PJ2/DK5ON 1721 *
15Mar-30Mar PJ2/DO7DP 1719
22Mar-06Apr PJ2/K2PLF.. 1719
-Dec RI1ANC 1708
24Mar-15Apr S79UFT 1720

Oct -May T6JC & T6TL 1695
23Mar-17Apr TK/F8DZY 1720
28Mar-11Apr TM00CDXC 1720
20Mar-01Apr TO11A (FG) 1719

-Mar V21ZG 1716
23Mar-30Mar V31MM.. 1720
16Feb-30Mar V47JA.. 1715
-Mar/12 VK0KEV (Macq) 1700/1701
23Mar-20Apr VP5/W5CW 1720
30Mar-04Apr VP9/K8LIZ.. 1721 *
15Mar-31Mar VU4PB 1718
30Mar-02Apr WE8A/KH0 1721 *
NOW XT2RJA 1712
-03Apr YN2ET.. 1721 *
02Apr-16Apr ZA/F4DTO 1721 *
-Sep ZD9GI 1691
25Mar-02Apr ZF2AE 1720
-31Dec ZL50GH 1711
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-11Apr ZS8M 1674/1711

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A52J via JA1TRC (B), (L), eQSL
CT9/DF7ZS via DF7ZS (B)
CV5D via CX2ABC (B)
DK150RB via DL1SBF (B)
EA8/G1INK/p via G1INK (B)
EI6DX via RX3RC (B)
GJ5XW via G5XW (d)
GJ/PD1RP via PD1RP (B), (L), eQSL
HG20MAT via HA3OD (B)
HZ1TL via HZ7C (B), (L), eQSL
II2MM via IK2AQZ (B)
II0IGU via IW0HP (B)
J3/PE1IGM via PA3C (B), (L), eQSL
JY5MM via IK2DUW (B)
LY21A via LY5A
MC0SHL via M0URX (B)
MJ/K3PLV via K3PLV (B)
MJ/PD1RP via PD1RP (B), (L), eQSL
MJ0JZE via (L) & eQSL only
PJ2/DK5ON via DK5ON (B)
PJ2/VA7AM via VA7AM (B), (L)
PJ2/WX7P via WX7P (B)
R5RQQ via RN3RQ (B)
Z2/K0YY via K0YY (B), (L)

3D2DX via EA4DX (1998 & 1999)
3D2DX via OZ1IKY (2011) (B)
4J9M via DL7EDH (d)
4L4ZA via DJ1CW (B)
4S7DXG via UR9IDX (d)
5H3CMG via ZR6CMG
5P1M via OZ2MA (B)
5P3WW via DL1YAW (B)
5P5K via DL7AOS (B)
9H1BX via G3TZM (B)

(d) Only direct
(B) Bureau ok
(*) New QSL manager
(L) Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) E-mail request

QSLs arrived direct: AA1AC/VP9, C50C (OM2FY), DU1/JJ5GMJ (JH5RXS), HS0ZBS,
J88DR (G3TBK), KP2M (AI4U), PY2BW, RI1FJ (UA2FM),
UK9AA, 5R8FJ & FR/DJ7RJ (DJ7RJ), 9M6YBG

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From: s52ru <rabic.romeo@gmail.com>
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317. sex medicine & hot videos

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Date: 2011-03-29 11:19:48 UTC
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318. get kelp

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Date: 2011-03-29 17:42:22 UTC
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Message-ID: <32db5d9b-b14e-43dd-a456-179d642c9c4a@j35g2000prb.googlegroups.com>
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Date: 2011-03-29 17:43:15 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <e81c87ec-4de4-4a97-b601-e0ee7d2a3800@l2g2000prg.googlegroups.com>
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> ALL HOT PHOTOS SUPER

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Solution Manual Introduction to Linear Circuit Analysis and Modelling : From DC to RF (Luis Moura & Izzat Darwazeh)
Solution Manual Embedded Systems Architecture : A Comprehensive Guide for Engineers and Programmers (Tammy Noergaard)
Solution Manual Bioimpedance and Bioelectricity Basics (2nd Ed., Grimnes & Martinsen)
Solution Manual Simulation with Arena (5th Ed., Kelton, Sadowski & Swets)
Solution Manual Simulation Modeling and Analysis with ARENA (Tayfur Altiok & Benjamin Melamed)
Solution Manual The Visual Story : Creating the Visual Structure of Film, TV and Digital Media (2nd Ed., Bruce Block)
Solution Manual The Shut Up and Shoot Documentary Guide : A Down & Dirty DV Production (Anthony Artis)
Solution Manual Portable Video : ENG & EFP (5th Ed., Medoff & Fink)
Solution Manual Voice and Vision : A Creative Approach to Narrative Film and DV Production (Mick Hurbis-Cherrier)
Solution Manual Writing for Multimedia and the Web : A Practical Guide to Content Development for Interactive Media (3rd Ed., Timothy Garrand)
Solution Manual Developing and Maintaining a Design-Tech Portfolio : A Guide for Theatre, Film & TV (Rafael Jaen)
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Solution Manual Producing for TV and New Media : A Real-World Approach for Producers (2nd Ed., Cathrine Kellison)
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Solution Manual Introduction to Media Production : The Path to Digital Media Production (3rd Ed., Musburger & Kindem)
Solution Manual Introduction to Media Production : The Path to Digital Media Production (4th Ed., Kindem & Musburger)
Solution Manual Directing the Documentary (5th Ed., Michael Rabiger)
Solution Manual Video Production Handbook (4th Ed., Gerald Millerson & Jim Owens)
Solution Manual Making Media : Foundations of Sound and Image Production (Jan Roberts-Breslin)
Solution Manual Prepare to Board! Creating Story and Characters for Animation Features and Shorts (Nancy Beiman)
Solution Manual Light and Lens : Photography in the Digital Age

(Robert Hirsch)
Solution Manual The Radio Station : Broadcast, Satellite & Internet (7th Ed., Michael Keith)
Solution Manual Developing Story Ideas (2nd Ed., Michael Rabiger)
Solution Manual Radio Production Worktext : Studio and Equipment (5th Ed., Reese, Gross & Gross)
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Solution Manual Problem Solving and Programming Concepts (7th Ed., Sprankle)
Solution Manual Problem Solving and Programming Concepts (8th Ed., Sprankle & Hubbard)
Solution Manual A Balanced Introduction to Computer Science (2nd Ed., David Reed)
Solution Manual Introduction to Computing and Programming with Java : A Multimedia Approach (Guzdial & Ericson)
Solution Manual Starting Out with Programming Logic and Design (Tony Gaddis)
Solution Manual Starting Out with Programming Logic and Design (2nd Ed., Tony Gaddis)
Solution Manual Tools For Structured and Object-Oriented Design (7th Ed., Bohl & Rynn)
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Solution Manual e-Business and e-Commerce How to Program (Harvey M. Deitel, Paul J. Deitel, Tem R. Nieto)
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Solution Manual Python How to Program (Harvey M. Deitel, Paul J. Deitel, Jonathan P. Liperi Ben Wiedermann)
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Solution Manual C How to Program (4th Ed., Harvey & Paul Deitel)
Solution Manual C How to Program (5th Ed., Harvey & Paul Deitel)
Solution Manual C++ How to Program (6th Ed., Harvey & Paul Deitel)
Solution Manual Visual Basic.NET How to Program (2nd Ed., Harvey M. Deitel, Paul J. Deitel, Tem R. Nieto)
Solution Manual Visual C++ 2008 How to Program (2nd Ed., Harvey & Paul Deitel)
Solution Manual Internet & World Wide Web : How to Program (4th Ed., Harvey & Paul Deitel)
Solution Manual Web Technologies : A Computer Science Perspective (Jeffrey C. Jackson)
Solution Manual Mastering the Internet, XHTML and JavaScript (2nd Ed., Ibrahim Zeid)
Solution Manual Weaving a Website : Programming in HTML, Java Script, Perl and Java (Susan Anderson-Freed)
Solution Manual Simply C++ : An Application-Driven Tutorial Approach (Harvey & Paul Deitel)
Solution Manual Visual C# 2005 How to Program (2nd Ed., Harvey & Paul Deitel)

Solution Manual Visual C# 2008 How to Program (3rd Ed., Harvey & Paul Deitel)
Solution Manual Visual C# 2010 How to Program (4th Ed., Harvey & Paul Deitel)
Solution Manual Simply C# : An Application-Driven Tutorial Approach (Harvey & Paul Deitel, Hoey & Yaeger)
Solution Manual Java : An Introduction to Problem Solving and Programming (4th Ed., Walter Savitch)
Solution Manual Java : An Introduction to Problem Solving and Programming (5th Ed., Savitch & Carrano)
Solution Manual Introduction to Computing and Programming with Java : A Multimedia Approach (Guzdial & Ericson)
Solution Manual Java How to Program (7th Ed., Harvey & Paul Deitel)
Solution Manual Java For Students (5th Ed., Bell & Parr)
Solution Manual Java, Java, Java, Object-Oriented Problem Solving (3rd Ed., Morelli & Walde)
Solution Manual Java : An Eventful Approach (Bruce, Danyluk & Murtagh)
Solution Manual Introduction to Java Programming with JBuilder (3rd Ed., Y. Daniel Liang)
Solution Manual Starting Out with Visual Basic 2008 (4th Ed., Gaddis & Irvine)
Solution Manual Starting Out with Visual Basic 2010 (5th Ed., Gaddis & Irvine)
Solution Manual Starting Out with Python (Tony Gaddis)
Solution Manual Object-Oriented Programming in Python (Goldwasser & Letscher)
Solution Manual Introduction to MathCAD 11 (Ronald W. Larsen)
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Solution Manual MatLAB Programming (David Kuncicky)
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Solution Manual Java Software Solutions for AP Computer Science A (2nd Ed., Lewis, Loftus & Cocking)
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Solution Manual Business Data Communications (Allen Dooley)
Solution Manual Object-Oriented Programming in C++ (4th Ed., Robert Lafore)
Solution Manual C++ : Classes and Data Structures (Jeffrey Childs)
Solution Manual Data Structures Outside-In with Java (Sesh Venugopal)
Solution Manual Data Structures and Abstractions with Java (2nd Ed., Frank M. Carrano)
Solution Manual Data Structures and Algorithms in Java (Peter Drake)
Solution Manual Practical Introduction to Data Structures and

Algorithm Analysis : C++ Edition (2nd Ed., Clifford A. Shaffer)
Solution Manual Computer Vision : A Modern Approach (David Forsyth & Jean Ponce)
Solution Manual Computer Graphics Using Java 2D and 3D (Hong Zhang & Y. Daniel Liang)
Solution Manual Computer Graphics Using OpenGL (3rd Ed., Francis Hill Jr. & Stephen Kelley)
Solution Manual Computer Graphics with OpenGL (3rd Ed., Donald Hearn & M. Pauline Baker)
Solution Manual User-Centered Web Site Development : A Human-Computer Interaction Approach (McCracken & Wolfe)
Solution Manual Fundamentals of Game Design (Ernest Adams & Andrew Rollings)
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Solution Manual Fundamentals of Math and Physics for Game Programmers (Wendy Stahler)
Solution Manual Usability Engineering : Process, Products & Examples (Laura Leventhal & Julie Barnes)
Solution Manual Web Usability : A User-Centered Design Approach (Jonathan Lazar)
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Solution Manual Assembly Language for Intel-Based Computers (5th Ed., Kip Irvine)
Solution Manual Assembly Language for x86 Processors (6th Ed., Kip R. Irvine)
Solution Manual Fundamentals of Multimedia (Ze-Nian Li & Mark Drew)
Solution Manual Digital Media Primer (Yue-Ling Wong)
Solution Manual Essentials for Design Macromedia Director MX 2004 Comprehensive (Tara Gray)
Solution Manual Modern Systems Analysis and Design (4th Ed., Jeffrey Hoffer, Joey George, & Joseph Valacich)
Solution Manual Modern Systems Analysis and Design (5th Ed., Jeffrey Hoffer, Joey George, & Joseph Valacich)
Solution Manual Modern Database Management (8th Ed., Hoffer, Prescott & Topi)
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Solution Manual Database Systems Using Oracle (2nd Ed., Nilesh Shah)
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Solution Manual Disaster Recovery : Principles and Practices (April Wells, Charlyne Walker & Timothy Walker)
Solution Manual Firewalls and VPNs : Principles and Practices (Richard Tibbs & Edward Oakes)
Solution Manual Network Defense and Countermeasures : Principles and Practices (Chuck Easttom)
Solution Manual Corporate Computer and Network Security (1st Ed., Raymond Panko)
Solution Manual Corporate Computer and Network Security (2nd Ed., Raymond Panko)
Solution Manual IP Telephony Using CallManager Express Lab Portfolio (Cheryl Schmidt & Ernie Friend)
Solution Manual High-Speed Networks and Internets : Performance and Quality of Service (2nd Ed., William Stallings)
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Solution Manual Operating Systems : Internals and Design Principles (6th Ed., William Stallings)
Solution Manual Distributed Systems : Principles and Paradigms (2nd Ed., Tanenbaum & Van Steen)
Solution Manual Modern Operating Systems (3rd Ed., Andrew Tanenbaum)
Solution Manual Computer Networks (4th Ed., Andrew S. Tanenbaum)
Solution Manual Computer Networks (5th Ed., Andrew S. Tanenbaum, David J. Wetherall)
Solution Manual Operating Systems Design and Implementation (3rd Ed., Andrew Tanenbaum & Albert Woodhull)
Solution Manual UNIX Unbounded : A Beginning Approach (5th Ed., Amir Afzal)
Solution Manual Introduction to Operating Systems and Networks (Ruth Watson)
Solution Manual Operating Systems (3rd Ed., Harvey Deitel, Paul Deitel & David Choffnes)
Solution Manual Operating Systems Principles (Lubomir Bic & Alan Shaw)
Solution Manual A Practical Guide to Linux : Commands, Editors, and Shell Programming (Mark Sobell)
Solution Manual A Practical Guide to Red Hat Linux : Fedora Core and Red Hat Enterprise Linux (2nd Ed., Mark Sobell)
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Solution Manual A Practical Guide to Fedora and Red Hat Enterprise Linux: College Edition (Mark Sobell)
Solution Manual A Practical Guide to Ubuntu Linux (Mark Sobell)
Solution Manual Automata, Computability and Complexity : Theory and Applications (Elaine Rich)
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Solution Manual Linear Systems and Signals (B.P. Lathi)

Solution Manual Modern Digital and Analog Communications Systems (3rd Ed., B. P. Lathi)
Solution Manual Introduction to Digital Systems (Milo D. Ercegovac, Lang & Moreno)
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Solution Manual Circuits and Networks (A. Sudhakar & S. Palli Shyammohan)
Solution Manual Electrical and Electronic Technology (9th Ed., Edward Hughes, John Hiley, Keith Brown & Ian McKenzie-Smith)
Solution Manual Electrical and Electronic Technology (10th Ed., Edward Hughes, John Hiley, Keith Brown & Ian McKenzie-Smith)
Solution Manual Electric Motors and Drives : Fundamentals, Types and Applications (3rd Ed., Austin Hughes)
Solution Manual Modern Processor Design : Fundamentals of Superscalar Processors (John P. Shen)
Solution Manual Computer Networks : Principles, Technologies and Protocols for Network Design (N. Olifer & V. Olifer)
Solution Manual Computer Networking : Internet Protocols in Action (Jeanna Matthews)
Solution Manual Computer Organization (5th Ed., Hamacher et al.)
Solution Manual CMOS Digital Integrated Circuits : Analysis and Design (3rd Ed., Sung-Mo Kang & Yusuf Leblebici)
Solution Manual Introduction to Logic Design (1st Ed., Alan B Marcovitz)
Solution Manual Introduction to Logic Design (2nd Ed., Alan B Marcovitz)
Solution Manual Introduction to Logic Design (3rd Ed., Alan B Marcovitz)
Solution Manual Introduction to Logic and Computer Design (Alan B Marcovitz)
Solution Manual Digital Principles and Design (Donald D. Givone)
Solution Manual Programmable Logic Controllers (3rd Ed., Frank Petruzella)
Solution Manual Programmable Logic Controllers (4th Ed., Frank Petruzella)

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323. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-29 23:47:50 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <357a89e8-6652-406b-8ccb-529765f036ec@f18g2000yqd.googlegroups.com>
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On Mar 29, 2:15 pm, BERGH <mattos...@gmail.com> wrote:
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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-29 23:48:20 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <c8a33b77-510e-41d8-a23f-36c49ef2de3e@k9g2000yqi.googlegroups.com>
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On Mar 29, 1:43 pm, kb9rqz <m...@kb9rqz.com> wrote:
> On Mar 27, 5:26 am, 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdg...@gmail.com> wrote:
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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-29 23:49:28 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
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327. The ARRL Contest Update for March 30, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-30 10:47:58 UTC
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Message-ID: <20110330102330.746F32138C@bmail.arrl.org>
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NEW HF OPERATORS - THINGS TO DO

For those of you getting your feet wet in the world of CW, the QRP
Amateur Radio Club's Spring QSO Party is a great mid-to-low speed
exercise for your sending and receiving skills alike. While you can
participate in the QRO class, if you dare, turn down the power on your
rig and prepared to be surprised!

BULLETINS

You HAVE filed your comments on HR 607 <http://www.arrl.org/hr-607>,
haven't you?

BUSTED QSOS

So months with five weekends come more frequently than every 823 years
as suggested in the last issue. Your editor will serve 823 seconds in
the Contest Update penalty box for insufficient skepticism and lack of
due diligence. Five-weekend months do play hob with contest scheduling,
though. (Thanks, Tom N1MM) Also, it was David N6AN (not N6EN) who gets
credit for the California QSO Party item in the previous issue.
(Thanks, Paul N6LL)

CONTEST SUMMARY
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Complete information for all contests follows the Conversation section

April 2-3

- Poisson d'Avril (Apr 1)
- Second Class Operators CW Bash
- LZ Open 40 Meter Contest--CW
- QRP ARCI Spring QSO Party--CW
- SP DX Contest
- EA RTTY Contest
- MO QSO Party
- QCWA Spring QSO Party
- ARS Spartan Sprint--CW (Apr 5)

April 9-10

- SNS and NS Weekly Sprints--CW (Apr 8)
- EU Spring Sprints--CW
- Montana QSO Party
- Worldwide EME Contest
- Japan International DX Contest--CW
- PODXS 31 Flavors Contest
- New Mexico QSO Party
- Georgia QSO Party
- Yuri Gagarin DX Contest--CW
- VHF Spring Sprints (Apr 11)
- International Vintage Contest (Apr 11)

==> NEWS, PRESS RELEASES, AND GENERAL INTEREST

We have several new products of interest to VHF+ contesters for the coming summer VHF+ contest season. First, M2 has a brand-new solid-state kilowatt 6 meter amplifier, the 6M-1000 <http://www.m2inc.com/products/6m1000.html>. 80 watts of input power will produce the full output so your all-band radio should be able to do the job. A 2 meter version is reportedly in the works, as well. At a slightly lower output power, Kanga US <http://www.kangaus.com/> has new 6 and 2 meter converter kits, plus CW source kits for 6 and 2 meters designed by Rick KK7B. And finally, take a look at the Fall 2010 issue of CQ-VHF <http://www.cq-vhf.com/> for a 70 cm tracking beacon by WC5Z.

The ill-advised proposal <http://www.arrl.org/hr-607> to "re-purpose" some of the amateur 70 cm privileges is deflecting amateur attention from another possible use of spectrum for broadband networking. The LightSquared <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/LightSquared> company is proposing to place high-power microwave transmitters adjacent to the GPS downlink frequencies, something that is very alarming to the GPS community. As hams know well, if strong enough even a perfectly clean signal will cause overload problems in an insufficiently selective receiver. With GPS being a key navigation technology this issue bears watching as it continues to evolve.

Hams should be sure to use their frequency allocations because the inquisitive souls at Microsoft have devised a system

<http://www.networkworld.com/news/2011/032511-usenix-microsoft-spectrum.html?hpg1=bn> for measuring whether licensed radio frequencies are being used by those who own the rights to the spectrum. I wonder if this tool could be used to find a clear run frequency during major contests? (Thanks, Bill W7KXB)

NASA has launched a program to develop spaceflight kits for high school teachers and students to build and fly on sub-orbital flights. As reported in the 27 March AMSAT <http://amsat.org> bulletin ANS-086.07, "NASA <http://www.nasa.gov/centers/ames/news/releases/2011/11-14AR.html> says its Emerging Commercial Space Office (ECSO) is teaming with Make Magazine <http://www.makezine.com/>, and Teachers in Space <http://www.teachersinspace.org/> to help develop spaceflight kits that high school teachers and students can build and fly on suborbital flights." The rules <http://www.makezine.com/space/rules> have been published by Make and proposals are due by the end of April.

The broadcast band seems to have been around since KDKA <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/KDKA_%28AM%29> first went live in 1920 but it did not always have its present configuration. On 29 March 1941, channel assignments underwent a grand shuffle <http://www.wired.com/thisdayintech/2011/03/0329radio-stations-shuffle-frequencies/>, creating clear-channel frequencies and reserving others for local use. The top end of the "BC Band" moved higher to 1600 kHz, as well.

Pileup! <http://www.helsinki.fi/%7Ekorpela/PU/PU.html> editor, Ilkka OH1WZ <oh1wz@lots_of_spam-sral.fi> writes to encourage contributions to this free, on-line talkoo (joint-work) journal. The next issue is to be released at the end of May - if you have an idea for an article, contact Ilkka or his co-editors, OH7WV <oh7wv@less_spam-sral.fi> and OH6KZP <oh6kzp@just_spam-sral.fi>. Each issue has hundreds of readers in the US, Canada, Europe, and beyond!

Another online magazine is ready for your inspection, as well. The April 2011 edition of WorldRadio Online <http://www.worldradiomagazine.com/> magazine is live. Among other things, well-known propagation author and contester Carl K9LA writes the "Propagation" column - always a good read. (Thanks, Editor Richard KI6SN)

This week's Science News included an article <http://www.sciencenews.org/view/generic/id/70468/title/Suns_doldrums_likely_to_last> about sunspots, in which it is expected that the cycle will peak on schedule in 2013 or 2014 and average activity will remain in the doldrums for a while. It's that darn meridional flow, apparently! (Thanks, Bob KY7O)

Both Spock (Leonard Nimoy) and Captain Kirk (William Shatner) turned 80 during the past week - do they still blow out candles on those far-off star dates or just deactivate the photon emitters?

The New York QSO Party has changed some of its rules regarding mobile operation. Writes sponsor representative, Paul K2DB, "We have decided that there needed to be more clarification on the Mobile Category. With research and feedback, we decided that we needed to add another category to the Class Entries." See the NYQP web site for more information <http://www.nyqp.org/>.

Mike Koss W9SU, owner of Industrial Communications Engineers, Ltd <http://www.iceradioproducts.com/>. (ICE) passed away suddenly this past weekend. There is no word on the cause or on the status of ICE at this point - watch the ICE website for more information. ICE was widely known for its popular products - Mike will be missed. (Thanks, Tim K3LR)

The Zeroland QSO Party, scheduled for May 7 and 8, has been canceled. Not to worry, that same weekend is host to the 7th District QSO Party <http://www.codxc.com/new/page.asp?content=start>, the New England QSO Party <http://www.neqp.org/>, and the Nevada <http://nv.arrl.org/NQP> and Indiana <http://www.hdxcc.org/inqp> QSO Parties, 14 states worth of QSO party fun.

Web Site of the Week - The National Institute of Standards and Technology, Time and Frequency Division is conducting an online survey of radio users <http://www.tf.nist.gov/survey>. Many of us rely on these broadcasts for calibration (and to know when to start mashing the F1 key!) so be sure to log in and show that the service is appreciated. (Thanks, Mike W9RE)

WORD TO THE WISE

Frog - from a popular electrical engineering dictionary, "the top of a tower". Who knew? So I guess we have to put the plastic owl on top of the frog to get rid of crows and find True North! Be careful when you are standing on your frog!

==> SIGHTS AND SOUNDSTHE RADIO ASSOCIATION OF ERIE <HTTP://HAMGALLERY.COM/QSL/COUNTRY/USA/PENNSYLVANIA/W3GV.HTM>, NOW IN ITS 50TH YEAR, WAS FOUNDED BY THIS CARTOON'S CRYSTAL PURVEYOR, FRANK BLILEY W3GV <HTTP://HAMGALLERY.COM/QSL/COUNTRY/USA/PENNSYLVANIA/W3GV.HTM>. (THANKS, TIM K3LR)

Ken K4ZW has posted a nice album of photos <http://mongoliatrip.shutterfly.com/pictures/8> from his recent trip to Mongolia, JT. If you worked JT5DX on the low bands this past season, here are the antennas responsible. (Thanks, Dave NN1N)

Valery R5GA has been getting good reviews for his score-reporting web site <http://pileup.ru/>. He is also collecting links to YouTube videos about contest operations and they are fun to watch!

A beautiful compilation of time-lapse photography featuring the aurora borealis <http://vimeo.com/21294655> by Terje Sorgjerd is on-line for you to enjoy. (Thanks, John VA7OTC)

==> RESULTS AND RECORDS

The online package of 2010 ARRL CW Sweepstakes results <http://www.arrl.org/contest-results-articles> are now up and ready for you, including PDF line scores and log-checking reports (LCRs). (Thanks, ARRL Contest Branch Manager, Sean KX9X)

Next weekend's Montana QSO Party <http://www.fvarc.org/> features an on-line scoring web page. After the contest, upload your contact totals and multipliers along with your logs and dupe sheets for verification. Once everything has been uploaded, you'll see your results instantly displayed. (Thanks, Ken K0PP)

How good were the bands this past weekend? The KL7RA beams were doing brisk business on wide-open bands in three directions at the same time from
latitude 60 N. Welcome back spots! (Photo by KL7RA)

The results of the NY QSO Party <http://www.nyqp.org/2010plaques.php> are finished and published. From the same link, you can also link to the certificate winners. (Thanks, Paul K2DB)

Results of the 2010 MM All America Contest <http://www.powerline.com.br/cwjf/Resultado2010Port.pdf> are online, including the scores of 1164 participants; 342 from South America and 822 from North America. (Thanks, Luc PW7T)

Pre-publication results for last weekend's RTTY Sprint <http://www.ncjweb.com/sprintrttyprelim.php> are now online as well. Individual LCRs (Log Check Reports) can be requested by email <rttysprintmgr@ncjweb.com>. (Thanks, NCJ NA RTTY Sprint Manager, Ed W0YK)

Bob K0RC reports that he has, "completed the programming for a new BARTG HF Contest Log Analyzer and posted it to my web site <http://tinyurl.com/4mg8hgy>." The downloadable spreadsheet tool is based on Excel 2003 but should work with any version, including the alternate Sun product called Open Office Calc.

OPERATING TIP

If you are a guest operator at a home station, don't forget to say thanks to the host family along with the ham who invited you! While they may not have built the station, their hospitality is important to your success.

==> TECHNICAL TOPICS AND INFORMATION

Thomas NZ4O writes to let us know that, "I have dropped the LF and MF aspect of my seven day radiowave propagation forecast due to low demand. In place of it I now produce a condensed version of my HF radiowave propagation forecast. I publish it every Friday morning at 0000 UTC on my SolarCycle24.org Facebook web page <http://www.facebook.com/pages/SolarCycle24org/139198369462931?v=>, my

Solar Cycle 24 <http://www.solarcycle24.org/> web page, and on my HF/6M Radiowave Propagation Forecast eGroup <http://lists.contesting.com/mailman/listinfo/spaceweather> on Contesting.com. It is also published later in the day at eHam.net, QRZ.com and Southgate ARC. My complete HF/6M radiowave propagation and lightning QRN forecast is still available on the Solar Cycle 24 web page in section 3B."

"Hackerspaces" are popping up all over, such as LVL1 <http://www.lvl1.org/about> in Louisville, Kentucky. The group includes several hams and has the club call sign N1LVL! Take a look at the web site for all the projects they have going on, including the launch of a balloon to Europe! (Thanks, George K5KG)

Paul K2DB has uploaded a video <http://www.rdxa.com/> showing how the CW reverse beacon network works using his remote station. It shows how quickly he can get to stations with the packet CW skimmer Reverse Beacon Network. Click on the right side of the home page under Main Pages on the RDXA Library link, then Tutorials and Presentations, click on Remote CW Skimmer Demo. When you get on the air on CW and call CQ, you can run but you cannot hide!

The book "Storage Batteries - Including Operation, Charging, Maintenance and Repair <http://www.amazon.com/Storage-Batteries-George-Smith/dp/027308416X/ref=sr_1_3?ie=UTF8&s=books&qid=1301260831&sr=8-3>" by G Smith is highly recommended by Frank VK2AKG. It's a good tutorial, now in its 3rd edition, on how to take care of those expensive backup power sources!

Tower-mounted standoffs help keep coax from getting caught in a crankup tower or just hold them away from your tower legs. Bob K6UJ recommends standoffs from KF7P <http://www.kf7p.com/KF7P/CoaxArms.html>, particularly the curved standoff for supporting a dangling cable.

Here's what a single-point grounding system looks like. This one keeps George K5KG out of trouble in Sarasota, Florida's frequent thunderstorms. (Photo by N0AX)

Jim W7RY provides this link to professional grounding guidelines <http://www.maplenet-inc.com/grounding>. He also recommends the Motorola R56 Site Ground Standards and Tom W8JI's <http://www.w8ji.com/> material on grounding.

Yes sir, yes sir, three bags full - well, most tower bases take more concrete than that. How many do you need, anyway? Mickey N4MB uses this simple online calculator <http://www.sakrete.com/products/calculators.cfm/selectedCalculator/Concrete#concrete> to get the answer. He cautions the user that while almost all the input values are in feet, the depth is entered in inches!

Base loading an antenna to resonate on 160 meters or 80 meters can be tricky. Phil AD5X has addressed the subject

<http://www.ad5x.com/images/Articles/Match160.pdf> from the perspective of his 43-foot vertical antenna. There's good information in the article you can apply to many similar needs. (Thanks, Al AB2ZY)

Teflon is not supposed to stick to anything - so how can you glue it or attach it to something? Lars LA7SL recommends this special adhesive <http://www.reltekllc.com/teflon-adhesives.htm> and David G4FTC the Loctite <http://www.loctite.com/> products 406 adhesive and 770 primer. Ulf SM0NOR takes a shorter path and suggests the bondable Teflon sheet from Small Parts <http://www.smallparts.com/ptfe-sheet-bondable-etched-white/dp/B003SLF06W/ref=sr_1_3?sr=1-3&qid=1300729922>.

Technical Web Site of the Week - Remember "mill copy" and the clackety-clack as the typewriter keys hammered out another radiogram? I'll bet you can smell that typewriter oil right now! Well, that old manual or electric you just can't quite bear to part with does have a place in this digital age - but you have to convert it to use USB as described in this IEEE Spectrum article <http://spectrum.ieee.org/geek-life/hands-on/a-typewriter-is-a-terrible-thing-to-waste> about a conversion kit <http://www.etsy.com/listing/62642931/diy-usb-typewriter-conversion-kit> from hackerspace Hive 76 <http://www.hive76.org/>.

==> CONVERSATION

Radiation and Radio

With so much concern over the damaged nuclear reactors in Japan, sensitivity to the word "radiation" is very much higher than usual. In general, the public is not aware of the many meanings of the word nor are they sensitive to the differences in types of radiation. Since hams use electromagnetic radiation to communicate, it behooves us to be able to coherently explain why "our" radiation is OK and not a threat to others.

Radio waves are non-ionizing radiation <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Non-ionizing_radiation> that does not contain sufficient energy to separate electrons from atoms and create ions. That effect only occurs at frequencies orders of magnitude higher than for radio signals. As you learned during your licensing studies, radio frequency energy only results in thermal (heating) effects to the body. The amount of heating depends on the frequency and power levels involved. Radio waves have not been shown to cause biological effects, such as genetic damage or cancer. Radiation from nuclear sources, such as radioactive substances, can cause biological effects because it is ionizing radiation <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ionizing_radiation>.

Furthering the confusion, the word "hot" is used to refer to both thermally hot and radioactive materials. Radioactivity can heat up materials (the inside of the Earth is kept hot from radioactive decay) but not vice versa. Only ionizing radiation from radioactive materials

has enough energy to cause significant health hazards.

Exposure to ionizing radiation is measured in sieverts - a term unfamiliar to most people. Because it is an unfamiliar measurement, we find it difficult to assess the importance of numeric values. Normal background levels of ionizing radiation are so low that even a small release of radioactivity can cause a change that sounds alarmingly high. Here is an excellent chart <http://xkcd.com/radiation/> that gives some perspective to exposure. The current one-day dose of radiation near the plants (at the moment) is shown at the left of the green part of the chart. Additional discussion and references can be found here in this blog entry <http://blog.xkcd.com/2011/03/19/radiation-chart/>. For those of you living in the mountains or taking lots of airplane rides, this information may be a bit of a surprise!

An explanation of permitted versus recommended levels of ionizing radiation was also discussed in an NPR interview on Mar 21st with Dr. Harold Swartz, professor of radiology and medicine, Dartmouth College. A transcript <http://www.wbur.org/npr/134738874/Japans-Struggles-Continue-On-Multiple-Fronts> of that interview is available online and may be of interest in explaining the relative numbers we are encountering.

Risk from exposure to radiation is not an easy thing to quantify in a single, brief statement. There are many factors involved and it is rare that we have all of the data or the expertise to evaluate that risk. Nevertheless, since we work with "radiation" every time we get on the air, it's important to be able to help our families and neighbors distinguish between what does and does not constitute a risk.

73, Ward N0AX

==> CONTESTS

30 March through 12 April

An expanded, downloadable version of QST's Contest Corral in PDF format <http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar> is available. Check the sponsor's Web site for information on operating time restrictions and other instructions.

HF CONTESTS

Poisson d'Avril--operate ala mode, from Apr 1, 0000Z to, well, it doesn't really matter even though K1DG isn't entering this year. Bands: all-male Fleetwood Mac, you might disagree, but the sponsor gets to choose. Frequencies: all of them, get busy. Exchange: appropriate gifts, something tasteful but not too expensive. Logs due: too late - see the Rules <http://poissondavril.webs.com/>. And here <http://fi-ni-report.blogspot.com>. But not here <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dQw4w9WgXcQ>.

Second Class Operators CW Bash--CW, from Apr 2, 0000Z to Apr 2, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Frequencies: QRP calling frequencies. Exchange: SOC member number, name, and RST. Logs due: Apr 16. Rules <http://www.qsl.net/soc>

LZ Open 40 Meter Contest--CW, from Apr 2, 0400Z to Apr 2, 0800Z. Bands (MHz): 7. Exchange: 6-digit serial and serial from previous QSO. Logs due: 10 days. Rules <http://www.lzopen.com/>

QRP ARCI Spring QSO Party--CW, from Apr 2, 1200Z to Apr 3, 2400Z . Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Frequencies: QRP calling frequencies. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, power or QRP ARCI number. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.qrparci.org/content/view/8346/118/>

SP DX Contest--Phone,CW, from Apr 2, 1500Z to Apr 3, 1500Z . Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RS(T), serial or SP province. Logs due: Apr 30. Rules <http://www.spdxcontest.info/>

EA RTTY Contest--Digital, from Apr 2, 1600Z to Apr 3, 1600Z . Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST, serial or EA province. Logs due: Apr 23. Rules <http://www.ure.es/contest/428-ea-psk31-contest-english-version.html>

MO QSO Party--Phone,CW, from Apr 2, 1800Z to Apr 3, 0500Z and Apr 4, 1800Z to Apr 4, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Frequencies: Multiple operating periods; CW 1.820 and 40 kHz from band edge; Phone--1.880, 3.825, 7.220, 14.250, 21.380, 28.350. Exchange: RS(T), serial, MO county or S/P/C. Logs due: May 3. Rules <http://www.w0ma.org/>

QCWA Spring QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Apr 2, 1800Z to Apr 3, 1800Z . Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50+. Exchange: Call,year lic'd,name,QCWA chap or S/P/C. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.qcwa.org/qso-party.htm>

ARS Spartan Sprint--CW, from Apr 5, 0200Z to Apr 5, 0400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Frequencies: Monthly on the first Monday evening local time. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, and power. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.arsqrp.blogspot.com/>

SNS and NS Weekly Sprints--CW, from Apr 8, 0200Z to Apr 8, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-14. Frequencies: Weekly on Thursday evenings local time. Exchange: Serial, name, and S/P/C. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.ncccsprint.com/rules.html>

EU Spring Sprints--CW, from Apr 9, 1600Z to Apr 9, 1959Z . Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Frequencies: 3.550,7.025,14.040. Exchange: Both callsigns, serial, name. Logs due: 15 days. Rules <http://www.eusprint.com/>

Montana QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Apr 9, 0000Z to Apr 10, 0000Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50-432, Frequencies: CW-1.81, 3.54, 7.035, 14,04, 21.05, 28.05 SSB - 1.845, 3.810, 7.244, 14.262, 21.365, 28.325. Exchange: RS(T), S/P/C or MT county. Logs due: May 31. Rules <http://www.fvarc.org/>

Japan International DX Contest --CW, from Apr 9, 0700Z to Apr 10, 1300Z . Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RST, JA prefecture or CQ Zone. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://jidx.org/>

PODXS 31 Flavors Contest--Digital, from Apr 9, 12 Noon to Apr 9, 6 PM. Bands (MHz): 14. Frequencies: 14.070-14.080. Exchange: S/P/C and name or 070 number. Logs due: May 9. Rules <http://www.podxs070.com/>

New Mexico QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Apr 9, 1400Z to Apr 10, 0200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50, Frequencies: CW-1.85, 3.55, 7.045, 14.05, 21.05, 28.05, 50.095; SSB-1.85, 3.925, 7.26, 14.28, 21.38, 28.38, 50.13. Exchange: Call sign, name, and NM county or S/P/C. Logs due: May 1. Rules <http://www.swcp.com/%7En5zgt>

Georgia QSO Party--Phone,CW, from Apr 9, 1800Z to Apr 10, 0359Z and Apr 10, 1400Z to Apr 10, 2359Z . Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50, Frequencies: Multiple operating periods; CW 1.815, 3.545, 7.045, 14.045, 21.045, 28.045, 50.095; Phone 1.865, 3.810, 7.225, 14.250, 21.300, 28.450, 50.135. Exchange: RS(T), S/P/C or GA county. Logs due: May 15. Rules <http://gqp.contesting.com/>

Yuri Gagarin DX Contest--CW, from Apr 9, 2100Z to Apr 10, 2100Z . Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RST, ITU Zone. Logs due: May 7. Rules <http://gc.qst.ru/en>

International Vintage Contest--Phone,CW, from Apr 11, 0700Z to Apr, 1000Z and Apr 11, 1300Z to Apr 11, 1600Z. Bands (MHz): 7,14. Frequencies: Multiple operating periods. Exchange: RS(T), grid square. Logs due: May 30. Rules <http://www.contestvintage.beepworld.it/>

VHF+ CONTESTS

Worldwide EME Contest--Phone,CW, from Apr 9, 0000Z to Apr 10, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 432, 3.4G. Exchange: TMO/RS(T) and "R". Logs due: Jun 25. Rules <http://www.dubus.org/>

VHF Spring Sprints--Phone,CW,Digital, from Apr 11, 7 PM to Apr 11, 11 PM. Bands (MHz): 144. Exchange: Grid Square (6-character preferred). Logs due: 14 days. Rules <http://sites.google.com/site/springvhfupsprints>

QCWA Spring QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Apr 2, 1800Z to Apr 3, 1800Z . Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50+. Exchange: Call,year lic'd,name,QCWA chap or S/P/C. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.qcwa.org/qso-party.htm>

Montana QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Apr 9, 0000Z to Apr 10, 0000Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50-432, Frequencies: CW-1.81, 3.54, 7.035, 14,04, 21.05, 28.05 SSB - 1.845, 3.810, 7.244, 14.262, 21.365, 28.325. Exchange: RS(T), S/P/C or MT county. Logs due: May 31. Rules <http://www.fvarc.org/>

New Mexico QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Apr 9, 1400Z to Apr 10, 0200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50, Frequencies: CW-1.85, 3.55, 7.045, 14.05, 21.05, 28.05, 50.095; SSB-1.85, 3.925, 7.26, 14.28, 21.38,

28.38, 50.13. Exchange: Call sign, name, and NM county or S/P/C. Logs due: May 1. Rules <http://www.swcp.com/%7En5zgt>

Georgia QSO Party--Phone,CW, from Apr 9, 1800Z to Apr 10, 0359Z and Apr 10, 1400Z to Apr 10, 2359Z . Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50, Frequencies: Multiple operating periods; CW 1.815, 3.545, 7.045, 14.045, 21.045, 28.045, 50.095; Phone 1.865, 3.810, 7.225, 14.250, 21.300, 28.450, 50.135. Exchange: RS(T), S/P/C or GA county. Logs due: May 15. Rules <http://gqp.contesting.com/>

==> LOG DUE DATES

30 March through 12 April

March 30, 2011 CQC Winter QSO Sprint
<http://www.cqc.org/contests/winter11.htm>

March 30, 2011 OMISS QSO Party
<http://www.omiss.net/Facelift/qsoparty.php>

March 31, 2011 CQ 160-Meter Contest, SSB
<http://cq-amateur-radio.com/cq_contests/cq_ww_160_meter_contest/cq_ww_160_meter_contest_rules/2011_cq_ww_160_meter_contest_rules.pdf>

March 31, 2011 New Hampshire QSO Party
<http://www.w1wqm.org/blog/wp-content/uploads/2010/11/NH_rules1.pdf>

March 31, 2011 British Columbia QSO Party
<http://www.deltaamateurradio.com/bcqsoparty/Delta_Amateur_Radio/Rules.html>

March 31, 2011 Mississippi QSO Party
<http://www.arrlmiss.org/2011MsQSOPartyRules.pdf>

March 31, 2011 EA PSK31 Contest
<http://www.ure.es/contest/428-ea-psk31-contest-english-version.html>

March 31, 2011 AGCW YL-CW Party
<http://www.agcw.org/en/?Contests:YL-CW-Party>

March 31, 2011 AGCW QRP Contest
<http://www.agcw.org/en/?Contests:QRP-Contest>

March 31, 2011 Bucharest Contest
<http://www.bucuresti.110mb.com/Regulament%20Bucuresti%20engleza.pdf>

March 31, 2011 RSGB 80m Club Championship, SSB
<http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2011/r80mcc.shtml>

April 1, 2011 Feld Hell Sprint
<http://sites.google.com/site/feldhellclub/Home/contests>

April 1, 2011 North Carolina QSO Party
<http://www.w4nc.com/2011ncqsoparty.html>

April 2, 2011 10-10 International Mobile Contest
<http://www.ten-ten.org/Forms/QSOPartyRules_082710.pdf>

April 3, 2011 UBA Spring Contest, CW
<http://www.uba.be/sites/default/files/uploads/hf_contests/uba_spring_en.pdf>

April 3, 2011 Russian DX Contest
<http://www.rdxc.org/asp/pages/rulesg.asp>

April 4, 2011 AGCW VHF/UHF Contest
<http://www.agcw.org/en/?Contests:VHF-UHF_Contest>

April 4, 2011 Open Ukraine RTTY Championship
<http://uarl.com.ua/openrtty/2011_open_ukr_chempionat_english.htm>

April 4, 2011 SARL VHF/UHF Analogue/Digital Contest
<http://www.sarl.org.za/public/contests/SARL_2011_Contest%20Manual_issue_9.pdf>

April 4, 2011 ARRL International DX Contest, SSB
<http://www.arrl.org/arrl-dx>

April 10, 2011 AWA John Rollins Memorial DX Contest
<http://www.antiquewireless.org/pdf/ContestRulesRollinsMemDX2011.pdf>

April 10, 2011 UBA Spring Contest, 6m
<http://www.qrparci.org/content/view/8346/118/>

April 12, 2011 Idaho QSO Party
<http://idahoarrl.info/qsoparty/rules.htm>

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-30 14:21:26 UTC
From: SAMARA <jaidatta9247@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <91c447fc-eddf-42e7-adc5-54a932bee9b6@o30g2000pra.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4618

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http://cinyworld96.blogspot.com/2011/03/richa-gangopadyay.html

329. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-30 18:12:59 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <72f3ff49-9eff-4748-91e5-986a7721abc2@r6g2000vbo.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4619

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On Mar 30, 10:21 am, SAMARA <jaidatta9...@gmail.com> wrote:
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330. MMMonVHF Newsletter 2011-03-31

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-31 09:34:15 UTC
From: MMMonVHF News Mailer <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <201103310923.p2V9NoCb001040@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 4620
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our lastet NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2011-03-31
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter, once a week (thursday)
from now on - if any special activities will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further detail please be so kind and watch our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you vy welcome for any
input and we do hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
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** MOST WANTED SQUARES & DXCCs at the VHF-DX-Portal of MMMonVHF **

Just in advance of the active meteorscatter time of the year
(with gd EME condx and the MS showers in may and june) we would
like to remember that these services are only as good as YOU (as
the USER) are doing UPDATES at our different sources...

Please do yourself and all of us the favour and check and update
periodical the following links and tools:

eMWS (MOST WANTED SQUARES) >>> www.mmmonvhf.de/emws.php
MWDXCC (MOST WANTED DXCC) >>> www.mmmonvhf.de/dxcc.php

We will spread the Result mid/end of april, early enough...

If you hear or plan yourself a trip and/or any activity use:

INPUT of VHF-ACTIVITIES >>> www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php
INPUT of UPDATES to NEWS >>> www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuserup.php

Thanks in the name of all USER of MMMonVHF and the team which is
always trying to pass you as soon as possible the latest News...
SOURCE: Guy, DL8EBW, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

** MMMonVHF MS Propagation page update - April 2011 **

After the long wintertime minimum, meteor activity starts growing in
April. Most significant shower in this period is medium-rate Lyrids,
peaking April 22nd, 23:15 UT. Sporadic Meteors annual minimum is over,

and SPO rates have started increasing towards their seasonal maximum
in late summer. Moreover, some daytime minor showers are also able to
increase overall meteor activity. Have a look to shower predictions
for April 2011 at our MS-Propagationpage (www.MMMonVHF.de/ms.php)
SOURCE: Massimo, IV3NDC, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

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** New TROPO Test by the SP-VHF Club **

SP-VHF Club hereby invites all licensed radio amateurs outside Poland
to participate in the JT-65a Tropo Contest Open Class. DATE & BAND:
- 144 MHz ï¿½ 9th April 2011 06.00 ï¿½ 10.00 UTC
- 50 MHz ï¿½ 11th June 2011 10.00 ï¿½ 14.00 UTC
- 432 MHz ï¿½ 20th August 2011 06.00 ï¿½ 10.00 UTC Read the PDF here:
www.mmmonvhf.de/upload-news/DL8EBW/Standardtexte/SP_JT65a_test_english.pdf
SOURCE: tnx to Jerzy, sp1jpq, direct to MMMonVHF

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: BY ; Square: NL97-OL14 ; Start: 2011-03-20 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3681

BY8 EME Expedition as BJ8TA at NL97UT and OL14KQ
LATEST News from BD5RV, Michael, 2011-03-30:
Guys, Today, 12 stations were worked on 2m. Thank you all for calling
BJ8TA will QRV on 2140z of Mar. 30 for NA window.
BJ8TA is going to QRT after the EU window of Mar. 31.
LATEST News from BD5RV, Michael, 2011-03-28:
Hi, QSOs have been made with the following stations from Chengjiang
Observatory, Yunnan (OL14lo). Today we are using the following setup:
2M: output 100W, antenna gain: 23dB - 70cm: output 75W, antenna gain:
27dB - If you have any issue, feel free to let me know by email.
SOURCE: tnx to Michael Chen, BD5RV/8, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: 9N ; Square: NL27 ; Start: 2011-03-30 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3714

DXpedition to Nepal (9N) March/April 2011
LATEST NEWS from Reinhard, DK5LA, dated 2011-03-31:
First CQs from the Team in 9N have been seen on 144123:
064700 3 -19 3.4 -205 3 * CQ 9N7WL NL27
065100 4 -21 2.8 -210 0 * CQ 9N7WL NL27
065500 2 -23 2.7 -218 1 * CQ 9N7WL NL27
LATEST NEWS from Joe, DL9MS, dated 2011-03-28:
The Team have been arrived in good shape. As well the material and
licens is given to them! So all in all it looks like the plan is

going on in time! SOURCE: tnx to Joe, DL9MS, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: PJ4/PJ2 ; Square: FK52 ; Start: 2011-04-07 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3684

Announcement New DXCC 144MHz moonbounce: PJ4(FK52ud)
LATEST NEWS from Rene, PE1L, dated 2011-03-25:
PJ4X will be QRV soon from Bonaire (Locator: FK52ud) / PJ2/PE1L will be QRV soon from Curacao (Locator: FK52nc) - Rig at PJ4 is 4 x 9 Xpol yagi DF7KF, TS-2000, WA2ODO preamp and enough EME power.
Rig at PJ2 is 2 x 8 Xpol yagi, TS-2000, WA2ODO preamp and enough EME power. Frequency: TX/RX 144.124 MHz. PJ always first.
We will RX 800hz up and down and its appricated that people dont use our freq +_1kc. We'll also take a small 70cm setup (23 elem. yagi) with us hoping to get some big guns in our log. We leave April 3th and build up the station before the weekend. We try to put our first signals Thursday April 7th from PJ4 to the moon. KYFC.
See our website http://www.emelogger.com with the latest updates/blog/news and further info about the team members.
During our stay we want to upload some photo's and we want to make small impressions on YouTube if possible.
SOURCE: tnx to Rene, PE1L, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: GD ; Square: IO74 ; Start: 2011-04-09 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3692
USE the MMMonVHF DX Blog: www.mmmonvhf.de/showblog.php?ca=MD-DH7FB

Frank DH7FB & Bernd DF2ZC qrv from GD in april 2011
LATEST NEWS from Bernd, DF2ZC dated 2011-02-27:
The Team will try to use a MMMonVHF DX-Blog to spread our their Latest News. Use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/showblog.php?ca=MD-DH7FB
SOURCE: tnx to Bernd, DF2ZC direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** K5N at EL58 (not DL88) in 2011--A Grid Bandits DXpedition **

LATEST K5N Activation group announcement, dated 2011-03-24:
ACTIVATING EL58 in 2011 - Due to circumstances beyond our control, the expedition to DL88 must be canceled. The logistics of that trip have become impossible for us this year. Instead, we are going to go back to EL58, the infamous Swamp Grid. Since we have been there before, the logistics will be much easier for us. In 2009, our total operating time was just a few hours less than 2 days. This time, we will be operating just a bit less than 4 full days. This should

allow us to "clean up" this grid for all those that need it. In addition, we will be operating during what should be a peak in the Es season. This will give all those that missed us the last time a chance to work this difficult grid. For all the details, please check out our new EL58 web page which may be accessed from the Grid Bandits home page (http://www.kcvhfgridbandits.com/) by clicking the DXpeditions button at the lower right. Or, just go to http://kcvhfgridbandits.com/kc_vhf_grid_bandits_044.htm.
All email concerning this event should be addressed to k5n"at"bellsouth.net, NOT to our personal email addresses.
Team K5N wishes to apologize for our change of plans, but our only other choice was to not go anywhere this year. We believe that EL58 is better than nothing! We hope to work everyone possible, so listen up for us. SOURCE: tnx to Marshall K5QE direct to MMMonVHF

** Activity on HF and 50 MHz in April from T31 (AI47DF) **

LATEST NEWS from Lance, W7GJ, dated 2011-03-28: As you probably are aware, there is an HF DXpedition heading to Kanton Island, Kiribati. They do have equipment for 6m - an IC7600 and an ACOM 1000 amplifier The local time on Kanton Island is 13 hours ahead of GMT. Here is their official website: http://www.t31a.com/
Their tentative plans are to be QRV from April 17 through 28. Although the timing of their trip does not coincide with favorable EME cndx or high enough declination to provide a window with EU, they have very graciously agreed to try JT65A during their moonrise toward the end of their trip if 6m gear was provided to them. I have purchased and shipped them a 6M7JHV on loan and W1JJ and I have loaned them a RIGblaster and the special connector cable for their IC7600. If they can be QRV on their moonrise, they hope to be QRV on 50.200, calling CQ in the first sequence...
SOURCE: tnx to Lance, W7GJ, direct to MMMonVHF and on Magic Band EME

** ZF2AE/ZF8 qrv from Little Cayman Island **

Adrian, AA5UK, will be signing ZF2AE/ZF8 from Little Cayman Island (IOTA NA-016, WLOTA 1490, Grid Loc. EK99) between 25th of March and 2nd of April 2011. QRV holiday style on 40-10 metre SSB, RTTY and PSK31 + satellite, using IC-7000 + Vertical antenna. He also plans to participate in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest as a Single-Op/All-Band /Low-Power entry. QSL direct to AA5UK.
SOURCE: [NG3K] via ICPO Bulletin (25 March-01 April 2011)

** A52JY and friends active from Bhutan - cancelled! **

LATEST NEWS from JA1IFB, Hiromichi Fukuda, dated 2011-03-29:
Regrettably, I will have to inform you that A52 Bhutan Pedition

by JAs has been canceled dut to the biggest Earth Quake and
Tsunami attacked JA7 district on March 11, 2011. You may rest
assured, let you know about new SKD if they are in the position
to announce their idea. Thanking you in advance.
SOURCE: JA1IFB, Hiromichi Fukuda via Bill, NG3K

** RADIO EXPEDITION SIERRA LEONE 2011 (IJ38JK) **

9L5MS operations change of planning!!!
LATEST NEWS from ICPO, dated 2011-03-26: There is a major change in
the planning of the DXpedition. Hereï¿½s the bottom-line We expect that
our first radio operations will start a couple of days later than
expected. Hopefully during the weekend of April 2nd. Reason for this
is that the container, that carries our antennaï¿½s and other stuff that
we need for the station (our food&water supplies and generators), is
still in the customs-process. We expect that the customs will not
release the container until 4th of April! Last Thursday March 24th we
evaluated the situation and the team have decided to go for plan B.
So whatï¿½s plan B? Plan B is that on Friday March 25th we redesigned a
new minimal antenna-farm that we can take with us on the plane. We
decided that we will take 3 fiberglass verticals that will bring us
on the air on 40m - 10m. Sorry, no verticals available for the low
bands and no RX-antennas during the first phase. Still... food, water
and electricity are a problem. We will have to figure this out when
we are in Freetown on the hospitalship Africa Mercy next week. During
that week we will also work on Mercy Ships projects as volunteers.
As soon as the material arrives we will concentrate on the Low Bands,
using beams and Receiving arrays. So we will be on the air from Sierra
Leone soon, but the exact starting date is still unknown. We will
inform you about our proceedings via our website, Twitter and the
DX-cluster. Stay tuned! 73, 9L5MS - Sierra Leone DXpedition team.
SOURCE: [Pete's-DX-Newsdeck] via ICPO

** Fox Cities Amateur Radio Club W9ZL qrv in July **

07/27/2011 | EAA Airventure 2011 - Jul 27-Jul 31, 1500Z-0000Z, W9ZL,
Oshkosh, WI. Fox Cities Amateur Radio Club Inc. 14.270 7.250 52.550
FM 146.520. Certificate. FCARC Airventure 2011, PO Box 2346, Appleton
WI 54912. fcarc.us/eaa/eaa.htm
SOURCE: tnx to Andy, N8OFS, direct to MMMonVHF

** Special Event Station W8B qrv Aug 5-Aug 8, 1200Z-1200 Z **

08/05/2011 | Brockway Mountain Special Event - Aug 5-Aug 8, 1200Z-
1200Z, W8B, Copper Harbor, MI. The Lone Wolfe Pack High Frequency
Amateur Radio Society. 50.125 29.600 18.140 14.320. QSL. John
Ponchaud, 325 Carpenter Road, Crystal Falls, MI 49920. Near Copper

Harbor, Michigan, Grid Square EN67. Will be operating 160 meters through 440 MHz all modes. SASE for QSL appreciated. john-ab8ko"at" sbcglobal.net Rare Grid!!!
SOURCE: tnx to Andy, N8OFS, direct to MMMonVHF

** W9DUP qrv on 2011-05-21 1400Z till 2011-05-21 2000Z **

05/21/2011 | Armed Forces Day - May 21, 1400Z-2000Z, W9DUP, Westmont, IL. DuPage Amateur Radio Club. 28.400 14.290 7.250 3.885 CW Rover gen bands 2 m on 145.430 50.40 AM. Certificate. DuPage Amateur Radio Club PO Box 71, Clarendon Hills, IL 60514. Vintage military stations setup on 75-Meters and 6-Meters. http://www.w9dup.org
SOURCE: tnx to Andy, N8OFS, direct to MMMonVHF

** K9G qrv on 2011-07-23 1000Z till 2011-07-23 1700Z **

07/23/2011 | Gus Grissom Day - 50th Anniversary of Mercury 7 Sub Orbital Flight Jul 23, 1000Z-1700Z, K9G, Mitchell, IN. Hoosier Hills Ham Club. 21.270 14.200 7.170 146.730 50.200. Certificate. Hoosier Hills Ham Club, PO Box 891, Bedford, IN 47421. www.w9qyq.org
SOURCE: tnx to Andy, N8OFS, direct to MMMonVHF

** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

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** Many thanks to all our USER who did send us info and News **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/kontact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

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IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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331. Re: The Bolenator is spamming me

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-31 21:26:14 UTC
From: Roger Wiseman <rwiseman55@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <in2rhuuhe1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 4621
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.shortwave

"tholen@antispam.ham" <tholen@ifa.hawaii.edu> wrote in message
news:5986209b-d9a2-4a8b-8e57-6225cea35372@j19g2000prh.googlegroups.com...
> MorkenStein <morkenstein69@yahoo.com> writes:
>
> 1> Newsgroups: news.admin.net-
> abuse.email,misc.health.alternative,alt.usenet.kooks,rec.radio.amateur.policy,comp.os.os
2.advocacy
>
> 1> So What? Some of TeH best punces cum from P O Boxes!
>
> What does your question have to do with OS/2, MorkenStein?
>
>
You must be punce drunk.

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http://ipunce2.blogspot.com/ for the punce folks

332. The ARRL Letter for March 31, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-03-31 22:07:34 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20110331214342.7B5BB21A33@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 4622
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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==> + PUBLIC SERVICE: HAMS HELP WHEN PHONES FAIL AT SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
HOSPITAL
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When nurses and other caregivers picked up their phones at Children's Hospital of Orange County in California in the early morning on March 21, there was no dial tone. A power surge caused the central processor in the hospital's phone switch to fail. Following established procedures, the lead operator at the hospital switchboard immediately activated the Hospital Disaster Support Communications System, using an off-switch tie-line to reach April Moell, WA6OPS, head of this ARES&#65533; group that specializes in helping hospitals when their communications fail. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/hams-help-when-phones-fail-at-southern-california-h

ospital>.

==> PUBLIC SERVICE : WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA HAMS RESPOND AS TORNADO SWEEPS THROUGH AREA

At approximately 4:30 on the afternoon of Wednesday, March 23, severe thunderstorms started to roll into Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania, producing golf ball-sized hail and heavy winds. Members of the Westmoreland County Public Service/ARES® group began to meet on the W3CRC repeater in Derry, Pennsylvania, which serves as the main ARES®/SKYWARN repeater in Westmoreland County. Soon after, the National Weather Service issued a tornado warning for the area and the Public Service Net was opened formally at 5 PM. Walter Bashaw, W3ZEH, began taking check-ins and reports of severe weather, relaying them to the NWS in Pittsburgh. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/western-pennsylvania-hams-respond-as-tornado-sweeps-through-area>.

==> + AMATEUR RADIO IN SPACE: TWO ASTRONAUTS GET THEIR HAM TICKET

Even though they aren't scheduled to go to the International Space Station until 2013, two astronauts -- Chris Cassidy and Luca Parmitano -- are now licensed amateurs. Cassidy, who received the call sign KF5KDR, is scheduled to head to the ISS in March 2013 as part of Expedition 35. Parmitano -- an Italian from the European Space Agency -- is KF5KDP; he goes to the ISS three months later in May, as part of Expedition 36.

"Our aim is to have at least one crew member licensed and trained in on-air protocol, who is somewhat excited about ham radio and the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station program, per expedition," explained ARRL ARISS Program Manager Rosalie White, K1STO. NASA ISS Ham Radio Project Engineer Kenneth Ransom, N5VHO, told the ARRL that both Cassidy and Parmitano are "excited and interested in the educational aspects of Amateur Radio on board the ISS." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/two-astronauts-get-their-ham-ticket>.

==> + NCVEC DELETES QUESTION FROM AMATEUR EXTRA QUESTION POOL

Due to the FCC revising the rules concerning Spread Spectrum, the Question Pool Committee of the National Council of Volunteer Examiner Coordinator (NCVEC) has decided to delete a question from the Amateur Extra class question pool. According to QPC Chairman Rol Anders, K3RA, as of April 29 when the new Spread Spectrum rule change goes into effect, the answer to question E1F13 in the Amateur Extra class question pool will no longer be correct . Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/ncvec-deletes-question-from-amateur-extra-question-pool>.

==> + ARRL NEBRASKA SECTION INTRODUCES "ELMER SQUAD"

The Nebraska Elmer Squad made its first official appearance earlier this month at the ARRL Nebraska State Convention in Lincoln. Darwin

Piatt, W9HZC, and Darrel Swenson, K0AWB, were on hand to answer questions about the Squad's mission and plans. According to ARRL Nebraska Section Manager Art Zygielbaum, K0AIZ, the Squad is gathering a list of volunteer Elmers throughout the state who are willing to assist not only new Amateur Radio operators, but current operators who need some technical assistance.

"Mentoring of new or prospective hams will be an ongoing part of the mission," Zygielbaum told the ARRL. "The intent is to have Elmers participate in their local area radio clubs and give presentations on various subjects relating to Amateur Radio." Nearly a dozen hams signed up at the State Convention to be a part of the Elmer Squad.

Piatt and Swenson said that they believe that people should remember that Amateur Radio is a hobby -- and it should be fun. Both men are QRP operators and builders; part of their enjoyment comes from passing on the fun of building to others.

The Elmer Squad will be traveling around Nebraska this summer and fall, giving presentations and signing up more Elmers. In addition, Piatt and Swenson are working on a Nebraska Elmer Squad website. Zygielbaum said that this will provide a central contact point to match Elmers with those who would like assistance. Once the site is up and running, the URL will be posted on the ARRL Nebraska Section website <http://www.arrl.org/Groups/view/nebraska>.

"Our motto is 'Hey, this is a hobby -- it is supposed to be fun!'" Zygielbaum explained. "We're looking for good people to help us keep it that way."

==> + NEW MARS ROVER TO FEATURE MORSE CODE

As the Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL <http://marsprogram.jpl.nasa.gov/msl/>) builds the next Mars rover -- this one is named Curiosity -- to deploy to the red planet in the fall of 2011, they're having a little fun with it. Back in 2007 when the Curiosity team was putting together the rover, its wheel cleats had a raised pattern with the letters "JPL," leaving a little stamp of the rover's birthplace everywhere it rolled. "At the time, I asked whether the real rover would have those wheels, and they said, no, they weren't going to get to advertise JPL with each turn of each of the rover's six wheels; the real rover would have some other pattern," said Emily Lakdawalla of The Planetary Society <http://www.planetary.org/> in her blog <http://www.planetary.org/blog/article/00002967/>. Lakdawalla is the organization's Science and Technology Coordinator.

Lakdawalla said that there is nothing special about the shapes of the markers in Opportunity's wheels; they are just square holes through the wheels through which the wheels were bolted to the lander during cruise and landing." Opportunity is the name of the rover that went to Mars back in 2003. "But Curiosity didn't need holes in its wheels for attaching to any lander -- there isn't one. So the engineers got to

make the markers in any shape they wanted to."

But in March 2011, she saw a video <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G019Jci0abs> of the rover as it is today: "I had to chuckle at those 'visual odometry markers' [on its tires]. Before I explain why, I'll point out that they really are useful things to have in rover wheels. The repeating pattern of the 'visual odometry markers'...makes it fairly easy for both the rover and human operators to determine visually how far the rover has roved using rear-view imagery."

So what pattern did JPL choose to put on Curiosity's wheels? One that Lakdawalla called "very amusing. The holes are in a pattern of short squares and longer rectangles -- almost like dots and dashes. Morse code." And what does it spell out in Morse code? JPL.

According to JPL, Curiosity is about the size of a small SUV -- 10 feet long (not including the arm), 9 feet wide and 7 feet tall -- or about the height of a basketball player -- and weighs 2000 pounds. It features a geology lab, rocker-bogie suspension, a rock-vaporizing laser and lots of cameras. Curiosity will search areas of Mars for past or present conditions favorable for life and for conditions capable of preserving a record of life. It is set to launch between November 25-December 18, 2011 from Cape Canaveral, Florida and will arrive on Mars between August 6-20, 2012. The prime mission will last one Mars year, or about 23 Earth months

==> ON THE AIR : NIST TO CONDUCT TIME AND FREQUENCY USER SURVEY

The National Institute of Standards and Technology's (NIST) Time and Frequency Division is conducting a survey to learn more about its users, seeking to determine how the agency can make its services more useful in the future. NIST services include WWV, WWVH and WWVB, which provide reference time and frequency signals via radio. The NIST also provides the Internet Time Service -- which provides accurate time synchronization to computer systems -- and several other services to offer accurate time information via telephone or web pages. Radio amateurs are encouraged to complete the survey. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/nist-to-conduct-time-and-frequency-user-survey>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "The Sun is shining, it's a lovely day <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z36r2fmutXQ>" Cook, K7RA, reports: The activity we could see recently on our Sun's far side -- thanks to the STEREO mission <http://stereo.gsfc.nasa.gov/> -- has been rotating into view, producing some nice sunspot activity, resulting in improved upper-HF propagation. Compared to the previous week (March 17-23), the past week (March 24-30) showed average daily sunspot numbers up more than 61 points to 102.1, while the average daily solar flux was up nearly 20 points to 114.7. Geomagnetic conditions were quieter as well, and reports from readers show greatly improved propagation on 20, 15

and 10 meters. This table <http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/indices/DSD.txt> shows a new sunspot group on March 23, two more groups appeared March 24, two more on March 25 and another two more on March 27. The latest prediction from USAF/NOAA sees improving conditions, with the projected solar flux for March 31-April 1 at 125 and 130, then 135 on April 2-7. The predicted planetary A index is 10 and 8 on March 31 and April 1, followed by 5 on April 2-7 and 8 on April 8. Conditions should be very good for the next week, especially when compared to this time last year. Look for more information on the ARRL website -- including an updated forecast and reports from readers, as well as the latest 3-month moving average of sunspot numbers -- on Friday, April 1. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by the song Avenue Q Theme <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z36r2fmutXQ> from the musical Avenue Q <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Avenue_Q>.

==> + SILENT KEY: INTERNET PIONEER PAUL BARAN, W3KAS (SK)

Paul Baran, W3KAS -- an engineer who helped create the technical underpinnings for the ARPANET, the government-sponsored precursor to today's Internet -- died March 27 at his home in Palo Alto, California. He was 84. According to his son David, the cause of death was related to complications from lung cancer. Baran was one of the three inventors of packet-switched networks.

In the early 1960s, Baran was working on a "survivable" communications system when he thought up one of its core concepts: Breaking up a single message into smaller pieces, having them travel different, unpredictable paths to their destination and only then putting them back together. It's called packet switching and it's how everything still gets to your e-mail inbox. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/internet-pioneer-paul-baran-w3kas-sk>.

==> + SILENT KEY: OWNER OF INDUSTRIAL COMMUNICATION ENGINEERS MIKE KOSS, W9SU (SK)

Mike Koss, W9SU, of Indianapolis, Indiana, passed away Monday, March 28. He was 57. According to his friend Brian Smith, W9IND, Koss was found on his workshop floor and paramedics were unable to revive him. Industrial Communications Engineers (ICE) is well known in the amateur community for surge protectors, line filters, RF switches and more.

On March 31, ICE released the following statement concerning the company: "Industrial Communication Engineers (ICE), Ltd, its employees and the Indianapolis Amateur Radio community mourn the passing of company founder Mike Koss, W9SU, on March 28, 2011. Due to Mike's sudden and unexpected death, ICE has temporarily suspended accepting new orders. We are in the process of reorganizing the company, as well as identifying and fulfilling current open orders and products returned for repair. Read more here

<http://www.arrl.org/news/owner-of-industrial-communication-engineers-mike-ko
ss-w9su-sk>.

==> THIS WEEK ON THE RADIO

This week:

- April 2-3 -- Missouri QSO Party; QCWA Spring QSO Party; ARCI Spring
QSO Party; SP DX Contest; EA RTTY Contest
- April 5 -- ARS Spartan Sprint

Next week:

- April 9 -- PODXS 070 Club PSK 31 Flavors Contest (local time); EU
Spring Sprint (CW)
- April 9-10 -- Montana QSO Party; New Mexico QSO Party; Georgia QSO
Party; JIDX CW Contest
- April 10 -- SKCC Weekend Sprint; UBA Spring Contest (SSB)
- April 11 -- 144 MHz Spring Sprint (local time)
- April 13 -- NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint
- April 13-14 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest
Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update
<http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest
Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more
info. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the
ARRL Special Event Stations Web page
<http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- April 2-3 -- ARRL New Jersey State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/new-jersey-state-convention-1>, Ewing,
New Jersey
- April 22-24 -- ARRL Idaho State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/idaho-state-convention-1>, Boise, Idaho
- April 23 -- ARRL Louisiana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/louisiana-state-convention-twin-city-ham-radio-
fest>,
Monroe, Louisiana; ARRL North Carolina State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/north-carolina-state-convention-raleigh-hamfest
>,
Raleigh, North Carolina
- May 7 -- ARRL South Carolina State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/south-carolina-state-convention-upstate-hamfest
>,
Spartanburg, South Carolina
- June 3-5 -- ARRL Northwestern Division Convention (SeaPac)
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/northwestern-division-convention-seapac-1>,
Seaside, Oregon; ARRL Wyoming State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/northwestern-division-convention-seapac-1>,
Cheyenne, Wyoming

- June 4 -- ARRL Atlantic Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/atlantic-division-convention-rochester-hamfest-
1>,
Rochester, New York; ARRL East Bay Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/east-bay-section-convention>, Berkeley,
California; ARRL Georgia State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/georgia-state-convention-atlanta-hamfest>,
Marietta, Georgia
- June 10-11 -- ARRL National Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arrl-national-convention-ham-com-2011>,
Plano, Texas
- June 11 -- ARRL Tennessee State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/tennessee-state-convention-1>, Knoxville,
Tennessee

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-01 01:11:52 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <1e32f47b-234d-4694-9616-e3c69766a150@j17g2000vbr.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4623
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.shortwave

On Mar 31, 5:26 pm, "Roger Wiseman" <rwisema...@hotmail.com> wrote:
> "tho...@antispam.ham" <tho...@ifa.hawaii.edu> wrote in message
>
> news:5986209b-d9a2-4a8b-8e57-6225cea35372@j19g2000prh.googlegroups.com...> MorkenStein
<morkenstei...@yahoo.com> writes:
>
> > 1> Newsgroups: news.admin.net-
> > abuse.email,misc.health.alternative,alt.usenet.kooks,rec.radio.amateur.policy,comp.os.
os2.advocacy
>
> > 1> So What? Some of TeH best punces cum from P O Boxes!
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> > What does your question have to do with OS/2, MorkenStein?
>
> You must be punce drunk.
>
> --http://ipunce2.blogspot.com/ for the punce folks

334. Re: kelp is sold out, everywhere

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-01 03:39:30 UTC
From: dave <dave@dave.dave>
Message-ID: <4d9548cf$0$12489$bd467cd0@news.dslextreme.com>
Source record: 4624
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.shortwave

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>>> abuse.email,misc.health.alternative,alt.usenet.kooks,rec.radio.amateur.poliï¿½cy,comp.
os.os2.advocacy
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>> --http://ipunce2.blogspot.com/ for the punce folks
>
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335. Crossposting Permitted to rec.radio.amateur.moderated

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-01 06:00:03 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting-1-1301637601@panix.com>
Source record: 4625
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting
Revision: 1.1 2009/04/12 19:42:04
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rram/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

After a 30-day public discussion and feedback period to gauge reader
opinions in March of 2009:

http://groups.google.com/group/rec.radio.amateur.moderated/browse_thread/thread/d7d337db35
f23326

the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team has decided to consider
amending its charter, and permit limited simultaneous crossposting to
rec.radio.amateur.moderated and one other unmoderated
amateur-radio-related discussion newsgroup. We are currently trying
this on a temporary basis (90 days, through early July 2009), and adopt
it permanently if successful.

Approved rec.radio.amateur.* newsgroups are those that are currently
listed in the latest version of the "List of Big Eight Newsgroups" which
is crossposted monthly to news.announce.newgroups, news.groups, and
news.lists.misc.

Approved alt.radio.amateur.* and alt.ham-radio.* newsgroups are those
that have been created consistent with the suggestions in "So You Want
to Create an Alt Newsgroup" at:

http://www.faqs.org/faqs/alt-creation-guide/

Approved regional hierarchy newsgroups are those that contain either
"radio.amateur" or "ham-radio" in their names, including
uk.radio.amateur and aus.radio.amateur.misc.

We will make every reasonable effort to keep our list of approved
newsgroups up-to-date. In case we have overlooked any, and a submission
is rejected in error as a result, the rejected submitter can E-mail us
at our administrative contact address (in the signature at the bottom of
this article, and the default Reply-To for the rejection message)
requesting that it be added, and that the article be approved. We may
still choose to reject articles crossposted to any alt.* newsgroup with
an inappropriate name, including obscene language, embedded
name-calling, or encouragement of unlawful conduct.
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Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-amateur-moderated-request@panix.com.

336. New SEECC Members in March 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-01 10:07:38 UTC
From: s52ru <rabic.romeo@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <560a42d4-5207-4082-954d-0307f1472e72@u12g2000vbf.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4626

Members which joined us in March 2011

We welcome our new SEECC members :

YU7RL – DRAGOLJUB STOJANOVIC SEECC N# 074
LU5FII - CLAUDIO EL PONS SEECC N# 075
UR5FCK - SERGEY SHEVCHUK SEECC N# 076
ZL2WL - WAYNE WILSON SEECC N# 077
W7BO – JOHN BURKE SEECC N# 078
VU3AVV - VIJAYSINH VAGHELA SEECC N# 079
YU5GPS – MARJAN MILOJEVIC SEECC N# 080

http://www.seecc.net/become_member.html

http://seecc.net/

SEECC on Facebook
http://www.facebook.com/home.php?sk=group_212044718808957&ap=1

73 de Romeo S52RU / ZL2RU

337. OR7R CQWPX SSB 2011 STORY by ON4LG

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-01 12:54:28 UTC
From: s52ru <rabic.romeo@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <82d1c990-d120-45be-8f9d-98182dc07d88@v31g2000vbs.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4627

« I only enter contests to work DX ».

WPX SSB 2011 SOSB40HP Assisted @ OR7R (ON4LG)

read the story

http://seecc.net/OR7R%20CQWPX2011%20story.html

http://seecc.net/

73 to ALL

Romeo S52RU

338. Re: The Bolenator is spamming me

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-01 13:38:07 UTC
From: "tholen@antispam.ham" <tholen@ifa.hawaii.edu>
Message-ID: <66f5e0af-3181-4bf7-93c8-d82cb006e6ad@j9g2000prj.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4628
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.shortwave

"Roger Wiseman" <rwiseman55@hotmail.com> writes:

10> Newsgroups:
rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.shortwave

10> You must be punce drunk.

What does your ridiculous conclusion have to do with OS/2,
Wiseman?

339. Re: get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-01 13:39:06 UTC
From: "tholen@antispam.ham" <tholen@ifa.hawaii.edu>
Message-ID: <18d5d6d8-4f35-483a-92c4-bf5abf26b368@s18g2000prg.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4630
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.shortwave

kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com> writes:

222> Newsgroups:
rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.shortwave

222> Message-ID: <1e32f47b-234d-4694-9616-
e3c69766a150@j17g2000vbr.googlegroups.com>

What does your empty response have to do with OS/2, kb9rqz?

340. Re: kelp is sold out, everywhere

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-01 13:40:12 UTC
From: "tholen@antispam.ham" <tholen@ifa.hawaii.edu>
Message-ID: <b423a2a4-a6a4-44c4-8c86-ecd79eeb346b@k3g2000prl.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4629
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.shortwave

dave <dave@dave.dave> writes:

2> Newsgroups:
rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.shortwave

2> Message-ID: <4d9548cf$0$12489$bd467cd0@news.dslextreme.com>

What does your empty response have to do with OS/2, dave?

341. HOT ACTRESES HOT VIDEOS DONT MISS YOUTH

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-01 14:02:39 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <a8b59792-7787-4e28-93d2-21c3156715f0@j13g2000pro.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4631

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http://alltoux.blogspot.com/2010/09/hot-lip-kiss-135.html

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342. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 3 April 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-01 15:00:18 UTC
From: Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk
Message-ID: <20110401150005.98EDC33C6C@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4632
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 3 April 2011

The news headlines:

* Peter Kirby leaves RSGB

* Bell Labs journal released

* GB2RAF back on the air

Peter Kirby, RSGB General Manager, has left the Society's employment after the discovery of financial irregularities on his part. For the time being, RSGB Director Don Beattie, G3BJ, will act as General Manager. The announcement was made by RSGB President Dave Wilson on 28 March 2011.

Bell Labs in the USA was responsible for a huge number of technical innovations, including the transistor. Most were documented in the Bell System Technical Journal, published from 1922 until 1983. The entire archive, now owned by Alcatel-Lucent, has now been put online and can be viewed at http://bstj.bell- labs.com.

It has now been confirmed that permanent special event station GB2RAF will be back on the air again from Saturday 9 April. Operations will be from the Air Defence Radar Museum, RAF Neatishead, Norfolk. Due to a Health and Safety fire issue, the Museum had to close down in September 2010 and consequently the permanent special event station GB2RAF has been unable to go on the air since then. GB2RAF will be back on the air every second Saturday of the month from 10am to 4pm, primarily on 80m SSB around 3.710MHz. For further information contact Terry, G4PSH QTHR or via GB2RAF. Details of both are correct on qrz.com.

Colchester Radio Amateurs has announced the cancellation of their rally. Originally planned for 31 July, the decision was prompted by falling attendance and ongoing difficulties in organising the event. The club regrets its passing after 42 years.

Over the weekend of 16 and 17 April, Jim, M0JHW will be holding another of his field days at the Sports & Social Club, Harlaxton, Grantham NG32 1HX. There will be plenty of tea and coffee and a BBQ in the afternoon. All are invited to come and meet old friends and make new ones. There will also be ample opportunity to play radio. Details from Jim by email to m0jhwjim@aol.co.uk.

On Monday 4 April two UK Coastguard MF stations are changing frequency. The Falmouth transmitter will move to 1880kHz and the Humber transmitter to 1925kHz. These frequencies are in the shared part of Top Band, where the Amateur Service is the secondary user.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

Today, Sunday 3 April, is the South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Rally at Avon Scouts Activity Centre, Fernhill, Almondsbury BS32 4LX. The site is easily accessed from the junction of the M4 & M5. Talk-in is on S22 and there is good car parking. Entry is £2. The rally opens at 10am and there are trade stands, a car boot sale and catering. For more information contact Stan Goodwin, G0RYM, on 07833 517370. On Sunday 10 April it's the Cambridgeshire Repeater Group Annual Rally at Foxton Village Hall, Hardman Road, Foxton, Cambridge CB22 6RN. There is talk-in on S22 in advance of the 10am start, trade stands, a Bring & Buy and catering. Entry is £2. Contact Lawrence, M0LCM, on 01223 654880for more information.

Also on Sunday 10 April is the Northern Amateur Radio Societies Association Exhibition, also known as the Blackpool rally. Held at Norbreck Castle Exhibition Centre, Blackpool FY2 9AA, it opens at 10.45 for disabled visitors and 11am for everyone else. Car parking is available, there are trade stands, an RSGB book stall, Bring & Buy, club and special interest stands. For more information contact Dave, M0OBW, on 01270 761 608.

Now for the news of special events

GB2LGR is operating this weekend from the former RAF airfield at Langar, Nottinghamshire, celebrating the Battle of Britain. Operation is on HF and 2m, and details are on QRZ.com.

GB2SOE is celebrating the role of the Special Operations Executive from Tempsford Airfield, Bedfordshire, as part of the RAFARS Airfields on the Air weekend. Operation will be on or close to RAFARS net frequencies on Top Band, 80m, 40m, plus 2m. QSL direct or via bureau.

And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

The 9N7AN DXpedition to Nepal continues until 8 April. Operation is on all bands from 180m to 10m, CW SSB and RTTY. The team also plans to operate 2m EME using JT65B as 9N7WL, the first time that Nepal has been activated via this mode. More information is at www.160m.de/9N7AN.

Ray, M1REK and Andy, M1LOL are operating from the Isle of Barra, EU-010 from 2 to 9 April. They are using SSB, PSK and RTTY on 80m-10m. Ask for QSL instructions.

Francoise, JW/F8DVD is operating from Longyearbyen on Spitsbergen, EU-026 from 1 to 8 April 1-8. Main activity is on 40 and 20 metres, SSB and CW. QSL via homecall, bureau or direct.

Now the contest news

The RSGB Contest Committee is introducing an SSB version of the popular RoPoCo contest today, Sunday 3 April. In these short 80m contests, entrants send their own postcode for the first contact and receive one back. In subsequent contacts they send the postcode just received. This form of Chinese Whispers is great fun, but requires care in receiving and logging accurately. Amateurs with 80m capability are invited to give it a try. The rules are available online at www.rsgbcc.org.

>From 0900 to 1200 UTC today is the RSGB First 70MHz contest. Operating on all modes on 4m, the exchange is RST, serial number and locator.

The SP DX contest starts at 1500 UTC today and finishes the same time tomorrow, 4 April. CW or SSB can be used on all bands from 1.8 to 28MHz, and the exchange is RST plus serial number. SP stations also send their Province code. Also starting today, at 1600 UTC, is the EA RTTY contest, ends the same time tomorrow, 4 April. Contacts are in RTTY only from 3.5 to 28MHz. The exchange is RST plus serial number. EA stations also send their Province code.

On 4 April it's the RSGB 80m Club Championships, CW. Activity is 1900 to 2030 UTC; RST & serial number form the exchange.

The RSGB 144MHz UKAC is on Tuesday 5 April from 1900 to 2130 UTC. Operation is on 2m, all mode, with an exchange of RST, serial number and locator.

The EU Spring Sprint is on Saturday 9 April from 1600 to 2000 UTC. Operation is CW only from 3.5 to 14MHz. The exchange is both callsigns plus serial number plus name; RST is not required.

The weekend of 9 and 10 April sees the Japan International DX contest, from 0700-1300 UTC. CW only operation is from 1.8 to 28MHz. The exchange is RST plus CQ zone. JAs also send their Prefecture code.

And now the solar factual data for the period from the 21st to the 27th of March, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on the 28th of March.

Solar activity started and ended the period at low levels, but the days in between activity increased to moderate levels. Three M class solar flares took place, one each on the 23rd, 24th and the 25th. They were small and only just made it above the M class threshold. However, they produced sudden ionospheric disturbances and small coronal mass ejections. Solar flux levels increased from 100 units on the 22nd to 117 by the 27th. The average was 108 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 27th was 97 units. That's three units up on last week. X-ray flux levels varied little day to day and averaged B3.9 units. Geomagnetic activity was quiet every day except for the 23rd when a recurring coronal hole disturbance arrived. The effects from this were very limited and the Ap index on the 23rd was only 10 units. The average was Ap 4 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds increase from 300 kilometres per second on the 21st to 550 by the 23rd. Particle densities were low every day. Bz varied between minus 6 and plus 7 nanoTeslas on the 23rd and between minus 3 and plus 4 nanoTeslas on the quiet days.

And now the solar forecast. This week the quieter side of the Sun is expected to be rotating out of view. Solar activity should be most low but could increase to moderate especially during the first half of the week. Solar flux levels should decline and be around the 100 mark or slightly lower by next weekend. Geomagnetic activity is expected to be quiet till midweek but then increase as a coronal hole disturbance arrives. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 24MHz for the south and 21MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be about 9MHz. Paths this week to India should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 26MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 20MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 1000 and 1400 hours UTC.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your

transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS On Monday 4 April Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is running its construction competition. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548478, daytime.

On Monday 4 April South Birmingham Radio Society is on the air and planning for field day. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Tuesday 5 April Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is having a junk sale. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 5 April Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club is having a talk by Billy on ATC from Thorpe Camp Museum. Contact Chris, M0MFP, on 01507 442240.

On Tuesday 5 April Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is operating club equipment and working IRLP. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Wednesday 6 April Hinckley Amateur Radio Society is having a social evening. Details from John, M0JAV, on 07836 731544.

On Wednesday 6 April Lincoln Short-Wave Club is in the Shack. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

On Wednesday 6 April Midland Amateur Radio Society is on the air and holding training classes. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 01214 229 787.

On Wednesday 6 April South Birmingham Radio Society has a lecture in the main hall. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Wednesday 6 April Telford & District Amateur Radio Society having a committee meeting. HQ is closed, so there is a net on 3.675 and 144.6MHz. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday 7 April Hucknall Rolls Royce Amateur Radio Club has a 5 mile fox hunt. More information from Dave Wilde, G1YAI, on 0844 4355593.

On Thursday 7 April Salop Amateur Radio Society is having a calibration night with Ken, G8DIR. Details on the club website at www.salop-ars.org.uk.

On Thursday 7 April South Birmingham Radio Society is holding training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Friday 8 April Coventry Amateur Radio Society has the 2nd round of the 2m DF Trophy. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777363. On Friday 8 April Hucknall Rolls Royce Amateur Radio Club is having a general club meeting. More information from Dave Wilde, G1YAI, on 0844 4355593.

On Friday 8 April Nunsfield House Amateur Radio Group is having a libraries forum with Rosina. Details from Ken Frankcom, G3OCA, on 01332 720976.

On Friday 8 April South Birmingham Radio Society is having a construction evening.. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Saturday 9 April Lincoln Short-Wave Club is putting G5FZ on the air and having a natter night. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND On Sunday 3 April Grimsby Amateur Radio Society is taking part in the SSB RoPoCo contest. Contact Cliff, G4YHP, on 01472 328 830.

On Sunday 3 April Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the SSB RoPoCo contest. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240573.

On Monday 4 April Grimsby Amateur Radio Society is entering the RSGB 80m Club Contest. Contact Cliff, G4YHP, on 01472 328 830.

On Monday 4 April Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is participating in the 80m CW Club Contest. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240573.

On Monday 4 April Macclesfield & District Radio Society has a sked with the club DXpedition station. More information from Roger Bell, M0GMG, on 0771 258 9163.

On Monday 4 April Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having a social evening and taking part in the RSGB 80m Club Contest. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 4 April Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is preparing for the NARSA rally and having a natter night. Details on the web at www.tcars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 5 April Chester & District Amateur Radio Society is holding its AGM at Burley Hall. Details from Barbara Green on 07957 870770.

On Tuesday 5 April Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society continues with Foundation and Intermediate training. Members are also developing a give-away kit to make a crystal set with which to encourage youngsters to take up electronics and amateur radio. Contact Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341317.

On Tuesday 5 April Stockport Radio Society is preparing for the NARSA rally. More information from Nigel Roscoe, on 07973 312 699.

On Wednesday 6 April Denby Dale Radio Club is holding its annual surplus sale. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220126.

On Wednesday 6 April Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is holding a committee meeting. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240573.

On Wednesday 6 April Mid-Cheshire Amateur Radio Society is looking at the frequency counter club project with G7DZX. Contact Peter Paul Fox, G8HAV, on 01606 553401. On Wednesday 6 April South Lancashire Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on life as a blind person by Ms Annick Morris. Details from Rina Horner, M3YRH, by email to rina.horner@ntlworld.com.

On Thursday 7 April Grimsby Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. Contact Cliff, G4YHP, on 01472 328 830.

On Thursday 7 April Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on operating /MM. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 0787 608 5631.

On Thursday 7 April South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having a talk on the IBM System 360 by Dave, G4UGM. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 0161 969 3999.

On Thursday 7 April Wakefield & District Radio Society is having a talk and demo on slow scan television by Andy, 2E0MBQ. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563117.

On Friday 8 April East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is on the air. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Saturday 9 April Wakefield & District Radio Society continues its Foundation, Intermediate and Advanced courses. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563117.

On Sunday 10 April Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club running a coach to the NARSA rally. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 0191 477 0036.

NEWS FROM NORTHERN IRELAND On Monday 4 April Greenisland Electronics Amateur Radio Society Presentation on 10m FM working by Peter, MI5JYK. Details from Peter Lowrie, MI5JYK, by email to mi5jyk@rsgb.org.uk.

On Thursday 7 April Bangor & District Amateur Radio Club annual constructors contest.. Contact Mike, GI4XSF, on 028 4277 2383.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Wednesday 6 April Ayr Amateur Radio Group is having a presentation on amateur radio apps for your mobile phone. Details from Tom Ferguson, GM1OST, on 01292 532 088.

On Wednesday 6 April Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club evening. Details from Norman, on 07740 946192.

On Wednesday 6 April West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society has Solder Group homebrew projects & licence training. More information from Fred Coombes, 2M0BIN, on 01415 715512.

On Thursday 7 April Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is holding a junk sale. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663.

On Friday 8 April Borders Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on Sporadic-E by Jim ,GM4FVM. More information from Danny, 2M0CDO, on 01890 882850.

On Friday 8 April West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society is having presentations, guest speakers, a quiz and a raffle. More information from Fred Coombes, 2M0BIN, on 01415 715512.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA On Sunday 3 April Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is having a breakfast meeting in Goring. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816684.

On Monday 4 April Braintree & District Amateur Radio Society has a visit from RSGB representative Neil Whiteside, G4HUN. For more information contact John, M5AJB, on 01787 460 947.

On Monday 4 April Burnham Beeches Radio Club is having a test equipment evening. Contact Dave, G4XDU, on 01628 625 720.

On Monday 4 April East Kent Radio Society is having a cheese and wine evening at the Mill. Details from Karl Davies, M1DFM, on 01227 710120.

On Monday 4 April Felixtowe & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on the FUNcube by Jason, G7OCD. More information from Paul, G4YQC, by email to pjw@btinternet.com.

On Monday 4 April Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the RSGB CC CW contest. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898678.

On Monday 4 April Southdown Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on the International Short Wave League by Arthur Kinson, G0KOC . Details from John, G3DQY, on 01424 424 319.

On Monday 4 April Surrey Radio Contact Club is holding its AGM. Contact John, G3MCX, on 020 8688 3322.

On Tuesday 5 April Andover Radio Amateurs Club is having a video night. Details from Martin, M0MWS, on 07776 181646.

On Tuesday 5 April Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720815.

On Wednesday 6 April Banbury Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by Simon, GW0NVN on the shack in a suitcase. The meeting is at the QTH of Frank, M0BJN. Details are online at www.banburyarc.org.

On Tuesday 5 April Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society Radio is having a talk on the transmitter for Radio Caroline by Oliver Swain. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Wednesday 6 April Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is having a general meeting and CW training session. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday 6 April Chippenham & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its AGM. Details on the web at www.g3vre.org.uk.

On Wednesday 6 April Havering & District Amateur Radio Club is having its second quarter business meeting. More information from John, M0UKD, on 07890 222111.

On Wednesday 6 April Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is holding its AGM and construction competition. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898678. On Wednesday 6 April Southdown Amateur Radio Society is operating at the Hailsham shack. Details from John, G3DQY, on 01424 424 319.

On Wednesday 6 April Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is having a quiz night with Steve, M0SFG. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816684.

On Thursday 7 April Cray Valley Radio Society Amateur is having a talk on radio operating in France by Malcolm, G8MCA. Details from Bob, M0MCV, on 020 8265 7735 after 8pm.

On Thursday 7 April Horndean & District Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night and social evening. Contact Stuart, G0FYX, on 023 9247 2846.

On Thursday 7 April Horsham Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on minimum antenna height by Mike Underhill, G3LHZ. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk.

On Thursday 7 April King's Lynn Amateur Radio Club is having a club night and 2m club net. Contact Ray, G3RSV, by email to ral-g3rsv@supanet.com.

On Thursday 7 April Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a club night at the shack. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564242.

On Thursday 7 April Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is visiting Orwell Observatory. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898678.

On Thursday 7 April Reading & District Amateur Radio Club is having a workshop on RF earths, counterpoises and artificial earths. Details

from Pete, G8FRC, on 01189 695 697.

On Thursday 7 April Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society a talk by Don, G4LOO on AIS. Details from David, G8UOD, on 01234 742 757.

On Friday 8 April Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club is watching the Basic Radio Measurements film. Contact Ron, G3KBR, on 01223 501712.

On Friday 8 April Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a radio night. Contact Peter, G4AKG, on 01444 239371.

On Friday 8 April Wimbledon & District Amateur Radio Society is having a surplus equipment sale. Contact Andrew Maish, G4ADM, on 020 8335 3434.

On Saturday 9 April Radio Society of Harrow commences its weekend event, operating GX3EFX/A at the 1940's House, Bushey Hall. More information from Linda, G7RJL, on 0208 386 8586.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST On Sunday 3 April Blackmoor Vale Amateur Radio Society is having an ARDF event. Contact Tony, G0GFL, on 01258 860741.

On Sunday 3 April Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is at Woodhouse Campsite with Avon Scouts Amateur Radio Club. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417048. On Sunday 3 April Trowbridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having a table at the South Gloucestershire rally. Details from Ian, G0GRI, on 01225 864 698, evenings and weekends.

On Tuesday 5 April Blackmoor Vale Amateur Radio Society has its first meeting at the new club venue, Charlton Village Hall. Contact Tony, G0GFL, on 01258 860741.

On Wednesday 6 April Cornish Radio Amateur Club is holding a Foundation Exam. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844939.

On Wednesday 6 April Taunton & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on UK callsigns by Peter Robinson, G0EYR. Contact William, G3WNI, on 01823 666 234 for more information.

On Wednesday 6 April Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is holding its AGM. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417048.

On Wednesday 6 April Trowbridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on millimetre waves by Ian Greenshields, G4FSU. Details from Ian, G0GRI, on 01225 864 698, evenings and weekends.

On Thursday 7 April Cornish Radio Amateur Club is holding its AGM at Gweal an Top School. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844939.

On Thursday 7 April South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is having a wine & cheese evening. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695471.

On Thursday 7 April Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having an activity night. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317750.

On Thursday 7 April Yeovil Amateur Radio Club Radio is having a talk on software by G6LLP. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk.

On Friday 8 April North Bristol Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on field days & taking part by Ken Rook, G4XCB. More information from Dick on 01454 218362.

On Friday 8 April Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES On Monday 4 April Dragon Amateur Radio Club is holding a surplus sale. More information from Stewart Rolfe, GW0ETF, on 07833 620733.

On Monday 4 April Llanelli Amateur Radio Society is on the air. Contact Craig, MW0MXT, on 01269 840292.

On Tuesday 5 April Wrexham Amateur Radio Society is having a charity auction in aid of Nightingale House. More information from Patrick, 2W0HUU, on 07947 701 927.

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Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1755 - April 1, 2011

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1755 with a release date of
Friday, April 1st, 2011 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Opposition grows to the proposed sell-off of
440 to 450 MHz, ham radio continues its role in Japan following the
March 11th earthquake and tsunami, a major solar storm could bring more
DX and lots of strange ham radio stories for April 1st. Hear it all on
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RESCUE RADIO: OPPOSITION GROWS TO SELLOFF OF 420 TO 440 MHZ

An article in USA Today about the concern by radio amateurs and others
involved in rescue radio over aspects of House of Representatives
measure H R 607 is sweeping the nation and its emergency preparedness
community. And it turns out that there is growing opposition to a part
of the bill that affects the 420 to 440 MHz band. Michael Grebert,
KJ4ZZV, is here with the latest:

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According to the U-S-A Today article, those lining up in opposition to
a provision in H-R 607 that would sell off 420 to 440 MHz as a way off
offsetting part of the cost of establishing a new nationwide
interoperable emergency system is growing. In fact, its starting to
read like a whose who in emergency communications. This includes such
notables as the National Weather Service, the International Association
of Chiefs of Police and a the National Public Safety Telecommunications
Council to name only a few.

As most of you are aware, Representative Peter King, of New York who is
the chairman of the Homeland Security Committee, introduced legislation
last month. Its purpose is to enhance emergency communications for
first responders by providing them with exclusive bansdspace for public
safety use.

Nobody opposes that idea. What is controversial is a provision of the
measure that would allow the auctioning off of 420 to 440 MHz. Those
who oppose that provision say that the spectrum in question is not just
for radio hobbyists. Rather, it is also used by hundreds of thousands

of Amateur Radio Emergency Service volunteers and severe-weather spotters working with National Weather Service and other agencies.

And among those speaking out is Harlin McEwen. McEwen s the chairman of a technology committee for the International Association of Chiefs of Police and a spokesman for the National Public Safety Telecommunications Council. Hes on record as saying that the reallocation of 420 to 440 MHz is a bad idea and one that's not good for public safety.

But the U-S-A Today article is not the only one noting that emergency responders are taking issue with Representative King's band sell-off approach. Another in-depth piece the Great Falls Montana Tribune goes into even greater detail than U-S-A Today. Among other things, the Tribune article states that there are nearly 5,000 amateur radio volunteers in Montana, and many of them provide a backup communication system that emergency responders state wide and across the country depend on. This, when cellular telephones, satellite phones or other radio systems don't work.

Ryan Nicholls, the Director of the Office of Emergency Management in Springfield, Missouri takes it even a bit further. He notes that use of ham radio volunteers is the way in which that state plans to communicate between hospitals and the Red Cross in the event of an emergency. Nicholls notes that this is even written into that city's emergency operations plan.

Both articles do a good job of pointing out the false economy of selling off the 420 to 440 MHz band.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Michael Grebert, KJ4ZZV, in Nashville for the Amateur Radio Newsline.

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And all this negative publicity may be taking its toll on at least one of those backing H R 607. Representative Billy Long of Missouri who is a co-sponsor of the bill is quoted in USA Today as saying that he will work to ensure that we are not cutting any vital emergency services and not adversely affecting ham radio operations.

You can read the entire USA Today article at tinyurl.com/4tvz4br. The Great Falls Tribune piece is at tinyurl.com/4typ6bg. (USA Today, Great Falls Tribune, N6ZXJ, W6RH, others)

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RESCUE RADIO: HAM RADIO SUPPORT CONTINUES FOLLOWING MARCH 11TH QUAKE

Ham radio remains an important part of recovery and relief efforts in Japan. This following the earthquake and tsunami that hit on March 11th that was followed by the still ongoing problems at the Fukushima nuclear electric generating plant. Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP reports:

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According to Steve Herman, W7VOA, the Japan Amateur Radio League or JARL has been involved in emergency communications support from the beginning of the triple pronged tragedy. Steve, who spent a week in Japan reporting for the Voice of America says that the initial traffic involved finding routes for those first and second responders trying reach the disaster areas. That was mainly done by JA3RL as control station. JA1RL took its place in the later stage in forming the network for communications to and between disaster scenes.

Since then, volunteer medical staff who are hams have been to disaster areas. They have been supported by both the JARL and the Japanese Self Defense Forces. Additionally, hand-held transceivers have now been supplied to evacuation centers. Japan's Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications has provided special call signs for each H-T so that unlicensed people can use them.

As to use of the Internet by hams, Steve tells Newsline that there has been some traffic passed between Japan and Europe through WIRES chat room 0522. WIRES is Yaesu based radio to Internet connection system similar to Echolink. Details of the traffic is viewable in the Japanese language at twitter.com/#!/JARL_ARESC

And this late word from Jim Linton, VK3PC. He reports that a small amount of internal High Frequency communications for disaster relief is still being operated occasionally by some volunteer radio amateurs. But says Linton, the Japan Amateur Radio League Headquarters stations were off the air by Friday, March 25th, their local time. VHF and UHF operations are likely ongoing.

Obviously, this is an ongoing story and we will have more with it in the weeks ahead.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP, in Scottsdale, Arizona.

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In his note to us, W7VOA did include a ray of hope for some. He says that he spotted a number of High Frequency yagi antennas in Sendai at some houses close to where the tsunami struck. The good news is that those were intact. (W7VOA, VK3PC, JARL, others)

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RESCUE RADIO: CHRISTCHURCH NZ QUAKE FOLLOW-UP

A follow-up to the work by hams in New Zealand following the earthquake that hit the city of Christchurch last month. Amateur Radio Newsline's Jim Meachen, ZL2BHF, brings us up to date:

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Audio report only. Hear it by downloading the mp3 file of this weeks newscasat at www.arnewsline.org

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Another example of ham radio emergency communications not only in first response but also has an ongoing search and rescue tool that helps to save lives. (ZL2BHF)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the W9RCA repeater serving Indianapolis, Indiana.

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RESCUE RADIO: NEW JERSEY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB PROVIDES RED CROSS COMMMS DURING RECENT FLOODING

The rains came to New Jersey and ham radio was ready. Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, is in the newsroom with more:

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Ham radio was an essential communications tool during the recent heavy flooding in Northern New Jersey. That's where the New Providence Amateur Radio Club in the Watchung Hills area was asked to set up amateur radio stations in Red Cross vehicles which were operating in four counties heavily affected by the deluge.

The club members were tasked with supplying communications for Red Cross cars and vans which were performing damage assessment in the affected areas. Communications between these vehicles and a central Command Post at the Chapter House in Ridgewood, kept track of the progress of the appraisal process.

Three members of the NPARC Emergency Team responded on Monday March 14, and two members were present during the rest of the week. These included David Berkley, K2MUN, of Westfield, Vince Lobosco, KC2IZK, of Fanwood, Barry Cohen, K2JV of Berkeley Heights, Barb Flynn, KC2YJB of Summit, Tony Izzo, K2AMI of River Edge and Hillary Zaenchik, KC2HLA, of Basking Ridge.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the newsroom in Los Angeles.

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While some operators spent their time in the field with Red Cross personnel, others were stationed in the control center with two of the relief agency's officials. (eHam, others)

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LICENSING: NCVEC QPC DELETES EXTRA CLASS SPREAD SPECTRUM QUESTION

The Question Pool Committee of the National Council of Volunteer Examiner Coordinator has decided to delete a question from the Amateur Extra class question pool. One dealing with Spread Spectrum technology.

In March, the FCC eliminated the requirement that amateur stations transmitting Spread Spectrum use Automatic Power Control to reduce transmitter power. At the same time, the Commission reduced the maximum power of a Spread Spectrum emission from 100 to 10 watts PEP.

According to the Question Pool Committee, when the Spread Spectrum rule change goes into effect, the answer to question E1F13 in the Amateur Extra class question pool will no longer be correct. It must be deleted by the time the new rule on Spread Spectrum goes into effect 30 days after publication in the Federal Register. (NCVEC)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC AFFIRMS $20,000 FINE FOR UNLICENSED OPERATION ON 156.8 MHZ

The FCC has affirmed a $20,000 monetary forfeiture issued to Vincent E. Aversa, Jr. of Indialantic, Florida. This, for his alleged willful and repeated violations of section 301 of the Communications Act of 1934 and section 80.13 of the Commission's rules.

The violations involve what the FCC claims is Aversa's purported operation of radio transmission equipment without a license on 156.80 MHz. This is the International Distress, Safety, and Calling Channel in the Marine Radio Service. It's also known as Channel 16.

On February 8, 2011, the Enforcement Bureau's Tampa, Florida Office issued a Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture in the amount of $20,000 to Aversa. Since that time Aversa has not filed a response to the NAL.

Based on the information before it, the FCC has now affirmed forfeiture and has given Avisa the customary 30 days to pay the amount in full or to file an appeal. (FCC)

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COMMUNICATION: 51% OF ALL AMERICANS ON FACEBOOK

More than half of Americans age 12 and up are communicating on Facebook. This according to Arbitron and Edison Research in their upcoming 2011 Infinite Dial Report.

Edison Research spokesman Tom Webster said they have been tracking the growth of Facebook since 2008. In that time they have watched the social network grow from 8% penetration just three years ago to 51% today. This, says Webster makes it the dominant player in social

networking, with more users than MySpace, LinkedIn and even Twitter.

The study, conducted in January, indicates that 51% of all teens, men and women have a profile on the Facebook. In another area, the research company says that back in 2001, that some 98% of those surveyed used television and 96% used radio. By comparison, in 2011, while television use remained the same, local AM/FM radio use had dropped. (Edison OnLine Reasearch)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: K0NEB PRESENTS HAMVENTION - THE EARLY YEARS ON YOU TUBE

A new slide show that depicts the early years of the Dayton Hamvention is now available for public viewing. The presentation titled "The Early Years" was produced by Kit Building expert Joe Eisenberg, K0NEB, of Lincoln, Nebraska for presentation at a recent meeting of the Dayton Amateur Radio Association. Set to the music of Mason Williams and Mannheim Steamroller the show contains photos from Joe's collection dating from about 1984 to 2001. This and all of Joe's slide shows are available on-line at www.youtube.com/joehusker. (K0NEB)

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HAMVENTION NEWS: ON LINE RESERVATION SYSTEM NOW OPERATING PROPERLY

Bill Curtice, WA8APB, says that the Hamvention's on-line reservation system at www.hamvention.org is functioning properly. In a posting to thr on-line Hamvention List that he moderates, Curtice says that those in charge are aware that a month or more ago there had been a problem with Flea Market spaces that was isolated to pricing of end-cap spaces that could have caused an issue with credit card statements. This was a database error that they believed was corrected.

Curtice says that the fix required hand editing, which took time and notes that it is entirely possible that some requests were missed. If you are one of those, Curtice asks that you contact them directly and that they will be happy to remedy the situation for you.

WA8APB also notes there is some confusion about General Admission Tickets vs. Vendor Admission Tickets. Flea Market Vendors should always choose Vendor Admission, not General Admission, unless directed otherwise by the Hamvention. Curtice says that this has caused some problems as well. (WA8APB via Hamventionr List)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: THE NORTH CORK RALLY AND ELECTRONICS FAIR IN IRELAND IN SEPTEMBER

If you are planning a trip this fall to Erin's Isle, then you might want to include stopping by Irelands North Cork Radio Group second annual rally and electronics fair on Sunday September the 11th. The

venue is the Blarney Golf Resort in Tower County Cork. The doors open to the public at 11.30 a.m. local time and the hamfest will run throughout the afternoon. Dealers on hand as of this writing include South East Communications, Long Communications and JBT Trading. Further details can be found via the group's website, www.ei1nc.com.com. (IRTS)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: INTERNATIONAL MARCONI DAY - APRIL 30TH

And a reminder that International Marconi Day takes place this year on Saturday the 30th of April. This is not a contest but there are several nice awards available for working the officially listed stations, each of which has an historic connection with Marconi. The event is organized by the Cornish Amateur Radio Club. For more information please visit the club's website at crac.g4usb.net/cracblog. (RSGB)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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WEIRD SCIENCE: MAN BECOMES DENTAL TRANSMITTER

>From the "stranger than strange file" comes this story about some odd radio transmissions. You are not going to believe where they came from. Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, tries to put the pieces together.

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We have all heard stories about people who had dental work and then started hearing radio signals due to the amalgam in their teeth. Well, this one goes a bit further. It seems a man, who has asked us to keep his identify private, had major reconstructive jaw surgery in the medical center of the University of Southern North Dakota. This involved some dental wiring and internal jaw bracing. Somehow, some way, the new metal work came into contact with previously existing silver fillings - that combination created some sort of transmitter.

The condition was first noticed when the patient coughed. His loud coughing started reverberating through the medical center's public address system causing everyone to wonder what was going on. Then a conversation he had with his wife came through some car radios in the

hospital parking lot, specifically at the lower end of the FM broadcast band. Finally, physicians relaxing in the doctor's lounge heard loud scratching noises through a desktop FM radio - this turned out to be the patient brushing his teeth. The man himself found out what was going when his sneezing fit was heard over an MP3 player being used by a patient two floors up, who came down to see what the racket was.

Due to confidentiality riles, no one would talk to us on the record about this case. But the man in question, know known by local amateur radio clubs as the first "human repeater," has had the necessary wire adjustments for this strange phenomenon to go away. He was said to be much relieved that he can now clear his throat and not worry about blowing away someone's hearing aid.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bruce Tennant in Los Angeles on this first day of April.

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A spokesman for the Federal Medical Radio Commission which investigates these weird April 1st phenomena says that this is one of those odd instances where the forces of nature and advances in technology combine to wreak havoc on the radio spectrum. None the less it is considering issuing the unlucky patient a Notice of Violation for operating as a radio transmitter without a license. (K6PZW)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: SA AMSAT POSTPONES SPACE SYMPOSIUM

South Africa AMSAT has postponed its Space Symposium originally planned for April 2nd to a later date. School holidays in the city of Gauteng and too many other amateur radio related activities around the same time seem to be one of the reasons for the low registration rate. A new date will be announced in the near future. (SA AMSAT)

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RADIO IN SPACE: NASA TO MAKE FINAL EFFORT TO CONTACT STUCK MARS ROVER

NASA will make a last-ditch effort to communicate with the stuck Mars rover Spirit, which fell silent a little over a year ago. The solar-powered rover became stuck in what's believed to be loose sand in April 2009. Despite efforts to maneuver it free, Spirit remained stuck and could not tilt itself toward the sun as the Martian winter approached.

Without an adequate amount of energy reaching its solar panels, it went into hibernation last March. Engineers had expected Spirit to wake up once there was maximum sunlight where it's trapped. But the South Mars summer solstice came and went earlier with no response.

Ground controllers are attempting to contact the Spirit over a wide range of frequencies and at various times during the day. This, in case the rover's internal clock stopped working and it lost track of its Earth time schedule. They also are commanding the Spirit to turn on its backup radio transmitter in case the main one failed.

If there's still no contact with Spirit within the next month, NASA says that it will scale back its listening operation for the out of service rover and then focus on collecting Mars data using Spirit's still operational twin named Opportunity. (Science OnLine)

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DX

In DX, EI9FBB, will be operating portable 3A from Monaco from April 20th to the 22nd. Activity will be limited to the afternoons. All QSOs will be uploaded to Logbook to the World and eQSL. For those who need a paper QSL, please send yours along with sufficient postage to his home callsign as listed on QRZ.com.

UV5EVJ is on the air as 5X1VJ from Uganda through June 8th. Activity is on the HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign.

EA8AY will be active from the Canary Islands as ED8A during the CQWW WPX CW Contest from May 28th to the 29th as a Single-Operator, All-Band entry. QSL only via Logbook to the World.

Lastly, the United Kingdom's Macclesfield and District Amateur Radio Society will be operational from the Isle of Arran off the coast of Scotland from April 2nd to the 7th. Four club members will be transmitting on the HF bands and making as many contacts across the UK, Europe and around the world as possible. A special commemorative card will be available. QSL as directed on the air.

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THAT FINAL ITEM: SPECTRUM USE FEES ON THROUGH THE HORIZON

And finally this week, as the U-S government looks for new ways to increase revenues without raising taxes, some of the bean counters in Washington are getting very creative. But it may be ham radio operators who wind up paying in the end. By shortwave, our April 1st roving reporter Pierre Pullinmyleg has details from the nation's capitol:

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The bill in Congress that would auction off most of the 70-centimeter ham band to commercial interests has been getting the headlines in amateur radio news reports, but there is about to be another bill introduced that could be even worse for radio amateurs. While it would leave all of our allocations intact, this new plan calls for auctioning off the ionosphere itself, layer-by-layer, to the highest bidder. The F-Layer would be put up for bids first, because it permits the greatest

propagation distance for radio signals and because it is actually comprised of two layers, F-1 and F-2, so it is expected that it would generate higher bids than the other layers. The F-layer auction would be followed by an auction of the E-layer and finally the D-layer. Layers A through C continue to be under strict military control.

The successful bidders would pay large amounts of money up front to the U-S government and would then recover their investments by charging radio users access fees to bounce signals off of the various layers. Fees would vary by frequency, time of day and distance to be covered, and would have to be paid in advance. Radio transmitters would be programmed to send out a digital license code, which would permit signals to access the layer in question. Credits would be applied to the user's account if the ionosphere does not support the registered communication at the time of transmission.

In addition, amateurs conducting moonbounce or satellite communications would need to pay a transit fee for passing signals through each layer of the ionosphere. These fees would be higher during the day, when the D-layer is energized. The only radio transmissions that would not be subject to these fees would be those on line-of-sight paths. There would be special discounts for emergency service and military users, but everyone would have to pay something.

The bill was scheduled to be introduced today, April the first, and has not yet received a bill number.

>From the U-S Capitol subway, this is Pierre Pullinmyleg reporting for Newsline.

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Pierre will, of course, keep you posted on any developments regarding this proposed legislation. More than likely, he will have his next report a year or so from today. (The Pierre Pullinmyleg Institute of April 1st News)

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Fred Vobbe, W8HDU, saying 73, a very happy and laugh filled April 1st, and we thank you for listening.

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ALL THESE STORIES UP AND COMING IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS
INSTITUTE OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING APRIL 03 2011.

Canberra Region Amateur Radio Club (CRARC) say that the ACMA VK Licence Fee will go up to $66.00 on Monday 4th April 2011. The licence variation fee remains at $41.00.

WIA
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More registrations needed in PR day for AR

With around a dozen clubs or groups indicating they will front up waving the flag in celebration of World Amateur Radio Day, even greater participation is required to make it a day of national public relations for our hobby.

Despite clubs successfully urging that early April be chosen, a period free from contests and generally warmer weather, far less that of those expected to have signed up so far.

Unlike anything else on the calendar, World Amateur Radio Day is ideal for putting our hobby right in the faces of the general public, who either has not heard of us, or has the totally wrong image.

We have to fight so many other recreational interests to continue with the claims of being one of the fastest growing hobbies in Australia.

Tune in to the World - Amateur Radio Gets People Talking, is an opportunity to take our hobby out to the public and show them what it really has to offer.

It needs a different kind of person to head it up, one who relates easily with the public of all ages and gender. Someone who knows the hobby, and can talk about it without jargon.

Simple rules are available on the WIA website www.wia.org.au

All it needs a publicly accessible venue under a suitable agreement plus public liability insurance, station equipment, signage and people who are very presentable and knowledgeable.

Re-useable posters, display boards and uniforms are also available, but be quick.

Remember - World Amateur Radio Day on the 17th of April, get involved, it only needs three or more to form a public station.

JOHN MOYLE LOGS DUE BACK BEFORE APRIL 22ND!
READ DETAILS IN CONTEST SECTION OF WIA.ORG.AU

WIA AGM

The WIA and the Darwin Amateur Radio club want to invite you to Darwin, Australia's Northern Tropical capital for the WIA Annual Conference being held over the weekend of 27, 28, 29th of May at Mirrambeena Resort .

A welcome dinner by the sea at the Beautiful Darwin Trailer Boat Club on Friday night.

Saturday morning for the Annual General Meeting and forums.

Saturday afternoon will see presentations based around Technology for the bush and life in the top end.

The conference dinner on Saturday night at the lovely Treetops restaurant finishes off the Saturday events.

For Partners we have set up a tour of some special places in Darwin led by the team from The DARC side.

On Sunday we are going to Litchfield National Park. Bring your togs and swim or just cool off in the pristine water falls and rock holes. Take a look at the magnetic anthill phenomenon, and join in a barbecue lunch at the very pretty Wangi falls.

Sunday evening why not join DARC for tea at the famous Mindil Markets and watch a beautiful sunset over Fannie bay whilst eating your choice of specialty food from one of the many different food stalls.

So why not register on the wia website now and come to Darwin for a great weekend of fun and fellowship with fellow Amateurs.
Register now on www.wia.org.au book your tickets and we will see you here on the 27th of may 2011.

This is Spud on behalf of the Wia and the Darwin amateur radio club.

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news

Urunga Radio Convention 2010

Urunga Radio Convention is on again this Easter weekend, Saturday 23 and Sunday 24 April at the 'Senior Citizens Hall', Bowra Street, Urunga.

The longest running Fox Hunt Field Day in Australia. Two days of 'Fox Hunting', quizzes, raffles, and pre loved gear and displays.

Inquiries welcome.

C.H.A.D.A.R.C. will cater for lunches again this year. Free tea and coffee will be available for those registering. Numbers are required for the optional meal on Saturday night at the Bowling Club - please notify the Committee.

The old cups from the early days are on display at the convention, and other times at the 'Ocean View Hotel', where some of the early conventions were held. An adjoining lounge is available for those that want to get away from the activities.

'Urunga' is a quiet village ideally suited to 'Fox hunting'. It is a very relaxing environment on the Kalang River, and has old style charm, which is

ideal for families.

Close by is Coffs Harbour and Bellingen, or perhaps a drive on 'Waterfall Way' to Dorrigo and the National Park Skywalk, picnic areas and lookouts.

Visit the golf or bowling clubs, or walk to the ocean on the meandering footbridge for a spot of 'surf fishing'.

Check the 'Urunga Radio Convention'
http://www4.tpgi.com.au/goldy2/

Ken Golden VK2DGT for URC - krgolden46@hotmail.com

While in VK2, here's the latest from Amateur Radio NSW....

"Hello Listeners, I'm Terry VK2UX, President of Amateur Radio New South Wales.

The Annual General Meeting of Amateur Radio New South Wales will be held in the Centenary Builiding at our offical station, VK2WI Dural. Its on Saturday 16th April, starting at ten am.

Our special guest will be Michael Owen, VK3KI, President of the National WIA.

I invite all members to come along, meet your new Councillors, and just have a catch up and some lunch in the pleasant surrounds of VK2WI.

Then on Sunday 17th, we are opening up the VK2WI site to the public, as part of the WIA National Field Day.

But before all that - next weekend, the 9th and 10th of april, we will be conducting the second part of the WIA Emergency Communications Training course. Its also being held at VK2WI in the Centenary Building.

That's all from me; 73 and I look forward to seeing you at the AGM.

VK3

THE Royal Australian Air Force celebrated its 90th birthday this week
and some 60 antique and historic aircraft from across Australia
descended on the Ballarat Airport for the birthday.

Why Ballarat?

RAAF director of regional events, Air Commodore Rod Luke, said
Ballarat Airport was previously the Wireless Air Gunners School
and also School of Radio, until its operations were shifted to
Laverton in 1961.

VK4 - QNEWS
web service local audio news:- www.wiaq.com/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
local news email qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
VKR Roundup http://www.police.qld.gov.au/News+and+Alerts/Media+Releases/

TARC Does the WIA National Field Day

The WIA National Field Day will be happening on Sunday April 17th and theTARCinc will be setting up displays of different aspects of Amateur Radio on the northern side of the Sturt Street headland on The Strand from around 8am.

Hams are STILL needed to help with this activity to publicise the worthwhile hobby of Amateur Radio to the wider community so if you are in the region get along to wave the flag and have some fun as well !

VK4 SILENT KEYS @ 2010 - 2011 QAC YEAR

VK4MWT Tom Bowden November 14 2010 Advised by Gavin VK4ZZ
VK4SS Alan Shawsmith November 23 2010 Advised by Stephen VK4JSS
VK4CK Colin King December 30 2010 Advised by Gary VK4AR
VK4AMO Mike O'Callaghan January 02 2011 advised by Dale VK4DMC
VK4HER Dawn Sebbens January 09 2011 advised by Margaret VK4AOE
VK4YNL Egon Frangenheim January 19 2011 advised by Gordon VK4VP
VK4DI Len Effeney February 01 2011 advised by Clive VK4ACC
VK4CAU Frank Sleep March 24 2011 advised by Gavin VK4ZZ

Frank Sleep VK4CAU has gone Silent Key.

Frank passed away in Maryborough QLD on Thursday March 24th following a massive heart attack. He was only 66 years old and has gone well before his time.

Frank was renown throughout the land as a Master Cook, was in demand with droving and shearing teams as the Cookie they wanted.

Frank honed his cooking skills on the land and with time served in the Australian Army Catering Corps, including a stint with 85 Transport Platoon RAASC in Vietnam during the early Seventies.

To quote Nick Quigley VK4CNQ OAM,
He was the best cook of corned meat that I know of.

While he was in Rockhampton he was the cook at the now closed ANZAC Club -

When not doing quality cooking for the masses, Frank had a bit of an interest in radio and technology.

Frank was one of the founding members of the HF Radio Club Inc. and was one of the technical stalwarts behind the success of the Selective Call project. Frank was also a beta-tester for the new range of Barrett HF radio equipment now hitting the market.

Frank was also a pioneer of APRS and Packet Radio in Australia, teaming up with the likes of Ron Graham VK4BRG and Wally Watkins VK4DO to explore the technical and operational sides of these modes.

Frank was always available to help anyone out with a technical problem, helping them to find the answers in a kind and supporting way.

He also supported many WICEN and Communications Support events run by various Amateur Radio Clubs and was a participant in the WIA Counter Disaster Operations Training course held in North Queensland during May 2010.

Those of you who knew Frank and want to send him off in the best way possible
are invited to attend Franks funeral at the Rockhampton Crematorium,
this coming Monday April 4th, commencing at 1-30pm.

Our heartfelt condolences go out to XYL Hazel and family at this time of grief.

We are all still coming to terms with his passing.

Vale Frank Sleep VK4CAU -

we have lost a good bloke.

(Gavin VK4ZZ)

Welcome to QNews from VK4WIA. I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP and I've been thinking.

For us the amateur radio fraternity, the ease of passing messages perhaps is
regarded as too easy. We have all these means of getting the message through
from CW, voice, video and digital text and so on. Of course, this is a great
selling point of our hobby when explaining about amateur radio to other
interest groups or individually.

There is a caution given when one of our number volunteers for a task. This may
be editing the club newsletter, doing maintenance on club equipment or giving
a presentation. That caution is don't expect to get much feedback from your own
members.

This seems to be part of the counter-productive attitude that pervades many
areas today. On the internet, it seems easier, for some to flame than to
congratulate. Letter writing has largely disappeared in favour of email.

For the team building and personal development advisors, the "hug" is a greater
motivator than the kick in the rear. I received some personal feedback recently
which was warmly received. Feedback should be personal but it doesn't have
to be face to face.

Let's keep our hobby strong and "hug" an amateur for a job
well done. You might even get a warm glow yourself.

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think.....how about you?

(audio uploaded)

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email qnews@wia.org.au

BARC
http://www.qsl.net/vk4ba
or, by E-mail to vk4ba@qsl.net

Bring your car, bring your trailer. Weather permitting, I'll bring my bike.

This is Stuart VK4MSL, announcing the Brisbane Amateur Radio Club's
BARCfest, to be held Saturday 7th May at the Mt. Gravatt Show grounds,
1600 Logan Road, Upper Mt. Gravatt. Doors open 9:30AM and admission is $7.00.

For people wishing to sell at BARCfest, there is still time to book a table. Contact Les VK4SO on 3343 7247, email vk4so@wia.org.au, or see the website: http://www.qsl.net/vk4ba/

Redcliffe and District Radio Club
www.redclifferadioclub.org.au/

Hi this Is David vk4pdr for the Redcliffe and districts amateur radio club.

Wednesday's at 7.30 pm local time we hold a trivia night on our 70 cm repeater 438.325 and don't forget the 91.5 kHz tone for access.

It is a fun night for those that join in and the prize for winning is that you get to be next weeks trivia master!

so all of you amateurs out there with inquiring minds and wishing to join in on a fun night for a hour or so come and join us.

ROCKHAMPTON
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e-mail vk4acc@wia.org.au
Secretary Clive 4928 1173
http://www.radarc.cjb.net/

Greetings from Rockhampton and District amateur Radio Club, the RADAR Club.

This is Les VK4VIL.

The RADAR Club has held its Annual General Meeting at the city's SES building, with a good rollup of approximately 50 financial members and a new executive elected for 2011.

Long time member and Past President from 2009, Mike VK4LMB was elected to the top position. For the time being, Mike will also be the voice and station operator for RADAR on Sunday call-back.

Another well known operator, John, VK4AJS becomes Vice President and has commenced as Assets Officer, Gary VK4GZA has probably the most unrewarding job in many aspects, according to a lot of people, that of Treasurer but will no doubt do a great job.

VK4JYM Jim moves from interim Secretary to the appointment of Secretary and looks forward to a strong year.

The RADAR club continues to build its calendar on the 2011 annual events with the annual Clairview get together, comms for the Central Queensland Rally Championships and the International Lighthouse Weekend at Cape Capricorn already on paper.

I'm Les VK4VIL, assisting Media Liaison Officer Clive VK4ACC, on behalf of the Rockhampton and District Radio Club

VK7
local area news :- http://reast.asn.au/news.php
vk7 local news, email vk7regionalnews-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

Radio and Electronics Association of Southern Tasmania Inc.
http://reast.asn.au/

April Presentation - Antarctic Telecommunications

The REAST presentation for April will be on next Wednesday 6th at 7:30pm and will be on Antarctic Telecommunications given by Peter Yates and Ian McLean who run telecommunications for the Australian Antarctic Division.

AAD Headquarters in Kingston is venue MAKE A MENTAL NOTE ON PAPER NOW!

If you DO intend to get along then please let Warren VK7FEET know by calling him on R2/R5 or calling him on phone, the number is in the text edition this week, best read at wia.org.au

0428 927 736

(73, REAST Committee)

EDUCATION YOUTH AND ADVANCEMENT OF AMATEUR RADIO
www.hamcollege.com.au

The Hornsby and Districts Amateur Radio Club will be running an exam session on the morning of Saturday 16th April at Waitara in northern Sydney, for all grades of licence. Please notify the Club by 8th April as this allows time for the exam papers can be ordered. The best way is via the form at: hadarc.org.au

The club generally meets on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month, however as the 26th is a catch-up holiday for ANZAC Day calling on Easter Monday, there will be no formal meeting this month.

hadarc.org.au/education.html

(Julian Sortland, VK2YJS, Publicity Officer, HADARC)

Training, Education & Assessment

Congratulations to Damien VK7HDS who has upgraded to the Advanced licence and completed the assessments and requirements.

If you are in VK7 and are interested in undertaking an amateur radio exam and/or training and this could be for foundation, standard, advanced, regulations or practical then contact Reg VK7KK on 0417 391 607

or email on regemm@ozemail.com.au.

(73, Reg VK7KK, REAST Education Officer and Assessor)

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART and the WW sources of the WIA.

Japan triple disaster the latest

As misery continues since the earthquake, tsunami and nuclear accident hit north-eastern Japan on 11 March, the police death toll has reached 11,603 dead and 17,258 missing.

The headquarters station of the Japan Amateur Radio League (JARL) in Tokyo, JA1RL became a disaster communication centre in the days immediately after the disaster.

International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) Region 3 Secretary, Ken Yamamoto JA1CJP reports that they transmitted rescue requests including the needs of refugee centre facilities down to the basics of electricity, water and gas supplies.

Ken JA1CJP said that hand-held VHF and UHF transceivers are now being delivered to the local disaster relief centres.

The equipment is being used to establish VHF/UHF networks for refugee centres and local disaster relief, he said.

HF communications for disaster relief are still being operated occasionally by some volunteer radio amateurs, but JARL HQ stations were off the air by Friday, 25 March.

JARL expresses its appreciation to all radio amateurs for their cooperation to keep 7.030MHz clear for disaster relief communications, said Ken JA1CJP.

While relief efforts continue, concerns are still being expressed about the crippled Fukushima plant that is the worst nuclear accident in Japan's history. The crisis has still not been overcome.
Its a worrying time for the plant damaged by the earthquake and tsunami measuring 8.9 on the Ritcher scale and the worst for that nation in 140-years.

(Jim Linton VK3PC, Chairman, IARU Region 3, Disaster Communications Committee)

NIST TO CONDUCT TIME AND FREQUENCY USER SURVEY

The National Institute of Standards and Technology's (NIST) Time and Frequency Division is conducting a survey to learn more about its users, seeking to determine how the agency can make its services more useful in the future. NIST services include WWV, WWVH and WWVB, which provide reference time and frequency signals via radio. The NIST also provides the Internet Time Service -- which provides accurate time synchronization to computer systems -- and several other services to offer accurate time information via telephone or web pages. Radio amateurs are encouraged to complete the survey.

Read more here
www.arrl.org/news/nist-to-conduct-time-and-frequency-user-survey

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2011

Apr 23 ZL/VK 2011 VK/ZL RTTY SPRINT 80 metres

Apr 30 WW Marconi Day 2011

Apr 30 ZL/VK 2011 VK/ZL RTTY SPRINT 40 metres

News from the ANZAC Front

AM and CW on air event on ANZAC Day

Looking for a way to commemorate ANZAC Day on amateur radio ?

Well apart from checking into the Harry Angel Memorial Sprint
there is another, more relaxing way on the day.

Several nets will be run on 40 and 80 metres using AM or CW to commemorate
ANZAC Day.

The Townsville Amateur Radio Club Inc. will again be operating the
Club Station from the Club Rooms which are situated in a World War 2
RAAF Communications Centre.

Participants in the Friendly Afternoon Net on 7115kHz from 0600UTC on
ANZAC Day will be using using Amplitude Modulation, one of the two modes of
modulation used by ANZACS during World War 2, the Korean War, the
Malaysian conflict and insurrection and the early part of the Viet Nam war.

The TC57A TCSWAT team including Bekir TA2RX, Tevfik TA1HZ and a host of others
will be operating portable from one of the hills overlooking ANZAC
Cove during the ANZAC weekend. Operations will include CW and SSB.

Operators will be activating VK4RAN onboard museum ship HMAS
Diamantina in Brisbane.

There are lots of other nets and operators keen to be onboard with AM
or CW for this special way to further remember fallen ANZACS.

If you want to join in or find out more about this fine ANZAC Day
event please contact Mike Patterson VK4MIK, on vk4mike@yahoo.com.au

>From Denis Johnstone Contest Manager for the John Moyle Memorial Field Day.

"So far I have received about 70 logs and there has been plenty of contesting
completed during the contest.

Of course having taken part in the contest, which in many cases required you
to plan your site, pack and transport, your accommodation, food and equipment.

Then to set up your station.

This was followed by up to 24 hours operation, after which you had to pack up
your station and return to your home QTH.

It would be such a shame if you were not to complete the process of completing
your log and getting it to me. You can use electronic or snail mail, and the
full details are on the Contest Page on wia.org.au

Your log is very important to you, but it is also very important to others as
it is with this information I am able to verify the logs of other stations.

So make sure you complete your log and get it to me before the closing date
of April 22nd 2011."

(above in text editions only)

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, REPEATER BEACON DX AND NET ADVICE

World Amateur Radio Day
"Amateur Radio: The first technology-based social network."

Members of DXXE, Mexican Contest and DX group, will activate 4A 0 IARU
between April 18-24 to celebrate World Amateur Radio Day on April 18th
and the 86th anniversary of the founding of the IARU.
QSL via N7RO.

(No word still as to a call sign by our WIA.)

http://www.dxxe.org

DEAL IS NO DEAL!

John Fisher VK3DQ writes, and I quote

"The VK7DI activation of Deal Island IOTA OC 195 has been rescheduled for
October 2011

After waiting in the marina for six days for a suitable weather forecast
We sailed on Saturday 26th at 5am

At approx 10am we were forced to turn round and seek shelter at Cowes
Philip Island. Seas in Bass Strait were above 6mtrs and were very confused.
We waited at Cowes and checked marine forecasts Which changed from the
expected 1--2 mrs declining to half a mtr to Very Rough conditions and a
gale warning!

We them motor sailed to Watsons Passage in Westernport Bay where we tied
up to a mooring and considered our options whilst waiting for the time
before entering the marina at Yaringa

As a number of our team members were running out of their time allocated
to be away and considering the ongoing weather forecast we decided to
reschedule the trip for October we are disappointed that we did not
make it this time but safety of our team must come first.

We will post some pictures of the "Big Waves" on our QRZ website in due
course, and many thanks to all the stations who contacted us over the six days
whilst we waited."

TIMOR-LESTE DXPEDITION

The September 2011 Timor-Leste DXpedition has now received its callsign - 4W6A
- from ARCOM, the licensing authority in Dili. The team is very grateful to
ARCOM for issuing this special one-letter callsign for use on the DXpedition.

The DXpedition has a website, at www.4w6a.com, which includes profiles of the
team members, propagation predictions and lots of information about
Timor-Leste and Atauro Island, the location of the DXpedition.

Unfortunately, Franck, VK8FNCY, has had to withdraw from the DXpedition due
to health reasons. His place has been taken by Tim, M0URX, and Ant, MW0JZE.
Oliver, MW0JRX, is now resident in Darwin and has recently received his
Australian callsign, VK8DX. The other team members remain Stuart, VK8NSB;
Steve, 9M6DXX, and John, 9M6XRO. As the team now comprises six operators,

we have increased the number of stations from three to four.

The group is requesting donations from DX clubs and individuals who wish to help, in order to cover the high cost of generator hire, fuel for the generators and the boat charter to and from the island. There is a "Donations" page on the 4W6A website. Payments may be made by credit or debit card (you do not need to have a PayPal account yourself in order to make a donation).

4W6A will be QRV from Atauro Island (IOTA OC-232), Timor-Leste (East Timor), from 16 to 26 September 2011. Activity will be on all bands 10 to 160 metres, using CW, SSB and RTTY. The QSL manager is M0URX, direct (SAE plus 1 IRC / $2), via the bureau, or LoTW. The entire log will be uploaded to LoTW as soon as possible after the end of the operation or, if possible, even during the DXpedition. QSL's may also be requested using the QSL request form on the website.

73,

Steve, 9M6DXX (4W6A Team Member)

Stuie, VK8NSB (4W6SB)

Philippines / USA special event stations

Remembering the 69th anniversary of the 'Bataan Death March', the amateur radio special event station 4 D 69 DM will be activated at Mount Samat in Bataan on Luzon Island on April 9.

The "Death March of Bataan" was a Japanese war crime and took place in the Philippines in 1942.

Another special event station operated from the USA for this event back on March 27, K5B by the "Mesilla Valley Radio Club" in Las Cruces/New Mexico.

The preferred frequencies will be in SSB on 3893, 7225, 14330 and 21337 kHz and in PSK on 14070 kHz.

www.n5bl.org/bataan

MEDIA WATCH
www.cq-amateur-radio.com/WorldRadio.html
VK Club Bulletins http://groups.yahoo.com/group/aarnie/
TWITTER http://twitter.com/VK1WIA

Update of WIA News Broadcasts and Relays

The WIA National and VK7Regional News are broadcast from the station of VK7AX at 9.00 AM & 8.00PM Sundays and 11.00 AM Monday on the following:-

6M. Repeater VK7RTV on 53.775 (IRLP 6124)
2M. Repeater VK7RTV on 146.775 (IRLP 6616)
70Cm. ATV on 444.250 Vision / 449.750 Sound in the Ulverstone Area
with the ATV program now available via Video streaming at
http://vk7ax.camstreams.com

Programs are simultaneously fed to the EchoLink Network on VK7AX-L Node 100478
ALLstar Node 27328
& Link Gateway EchoLink VK7AX-R Node 152375

In addition to the WIA News Broadcasts, Amateur Radio Related Broadcasts are produced and broadcast via the these chanels, frequencies and VOIP services at 8.00 PM daily with a repeat at 11.00 hours the following day.

73 until next time
Tony VK7AX
President - North West Tas. ATV Group

BBC TO CLOSES ORDFORDNESS TRANSMITTER SITE

Another famed radio transmitting site has been decommissioned.

This one is owned by the British Broadcasting Company and is not one very many on this side of the world know about.

Unless you are a WIA listener/reader living in Europe or are a truly devoted low frequency DX'er, you likely have never heard of the BBC's transmitter site at Ordfordness.

It's an operation that sat on 648 KHz with a five tower array beamed to Europe. And that's what makes the signal from Ordfordness such a great catch for medium wave D-X listeners.

But all that ended March 27th. That's when the BBC switched off this transmitter site for good.

But its demise will not go undocumented.

As a historical note, Jonathan Marks, G-8-W-G-N, has released a short documentary that traces the history of the Ordfordness transmitter site from its inception. Marks, who was the former producer and host of the famed Radio Netherlands Media Network program is joined by Ordfordness radio engineer Andy Matherson who explains the way in which the site operated.

It's a great tour of a historic moment in European medium wave broadcast radio. You can experience it for yourself on line at vimeo.com/20996209

Another sad moment in broadcast history, but one that Jonathan Marks, G8WGN, has taken the time to preserve.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

AMSAT-VK UNOFFICIAL HF Net.
2nd Sunday each month.
April through October 1000 UTC 3.685 MHz
November through March 0900 UTC 7.068 MHz

Expedition 27 launch - NASA TV coverage

The Russian Federal Space Agency has adjusted the launch date for the next three residents of the International Space Station to Monday, April 4 (April 5 in Baikonur, Kazakhstan).

The new date enables engineers in Baikonur to complete their checkouts of the Soyuz TMA-21 spacecraft. The launch date was set after a thorough review of Soyuz systems by Russian space officials and engineers.

Russian cosmonaut and Soyuz Commander Alexander Samokutyaev, NASA Flight Engineer Ron Garan and Russian Flight Engineer Andrey Borisenko are scheduled to launch from the Baikonur Cosmodrome at 5:18 p.m. CDT on April 4 (4:18 a.m. Baikonur time on April 5).

The launch will occur less than a week before the 50th anniversary of Yuri Gagarin's historic flight from the same Baikonur launch pad to become the first human to fly in space.

For NASA Television streaming video, downlink and schedule information, visit: www.nasa.gov/ntv

NASA ordered its comet-hunting Stardust probe to burn its remaining fuel, setting off a series of events that shut down the spacecraft after a 12-year career. From launch until final rocket engine burn, Stardust travelled approximately 3.54 billion miles.

Engineers gave the order from Lockheed Martin's Denver complex, where Stardust was built.

Stardust performed one last experiment by telling engineers how much fuel was left. That will tell them how accurate their fuel calculations were and help with the design of future probes.

Stardust was launched in 1999. It completed its primary mission in 2004 by flying through a cloud of dust and gas enveloping the Wild 2 comet and capturing samples. Those were sent to Earth for study via a parachute-equipped canister.

Spacecraft don't carry fuel gauges because they don't work in zero gravity.

AO-51 ENTERS AN ECLIPSE PERIOD

Eclipses are back for AO-51, and the length is increasing every day.

According to AO-51 Command Station, Mark Hammond, N8MH, eclipses are now lasting about 1 to 2 minutes per pass. They are expected to increase in length pretty fast, gaining a minute every day or two over the coming weeks and month.

AO-51 is still running under power management in single transmitter mode on the 435.300 MHz downlink running approximately 1 point 3 watts. The satellite will be off during eclipses and probably right before and after. You'll probably still hear the transmitter cycling off and on around eclipse times but most voice users will appreciate the stronger signals.

AO-51 be in this mode until further notice. (ANS)

BJ8TA AN EME AND SATELLITE DXPEDITION

AMSAT-China Chief Executive Officer Alan Kung, BA1DU reports that his group is organizing an expedition to southwest China. This, for EME experiments

and amateur satellite communications.

The expedition team will use the special technology experiments amateur radio call sign BJ8TA. The group will also be active on the available satellites during the expedition period.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- IOTA
http://rsgbiota.org

Greenland IOTA operation

Graham, G4MFX, will be in Greenland for work purposes and plans to operate as OX/G4MFX when possible, but very limited from the following dates and locations / IOTAs:

NA-018 - Sisimiut; Now until April 9th
NA-018 - Ilulissat; between April 10-15th
NA-134 - Aasiaat; between April 16-18th

Operations are anticipated to take place from a hotel or in the countryside from a car.

Operations will be SSB only.

QSL via G4MFX

(see Qrz.COM for details).

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RESCUE RADIO
IARU REGION 3
Emergency Centre of Activity (CoA) frequencies
3.600, 7.110, 14.300, 18.160 and 21.360 MHz

At 10:04 AM PDT on March 21, Rex Weinheimer, KC5AGO, of Stonewall, Texas -- a member of the Maritime Mobile Service Net (MMSN) -- heard and responded to a "weak and broken MAYDAY call." The call was from the sailing vessel Gloria Jean, a 30 foot sailboat that was in the Pacific Ocean about 120 miles west of Ensenada, Mexico. Weinheimer heard the distress call on 14.300 MHz, a frequency monitored by the MMSN.

MMSN Net Controller Lee Langford, KG4DZN, told the ARRL that through the combined efforts of several net stations, the net was able to ascertain the situation and the position of the stricken vessel. MMSN operators contacted both the US and Mexican Coast Guards and both services deployed assets to the scene. The US Coast Guard dispatched an MH-60 Jayhawk helicopter from San Diego and a C-130 Hercules plane from Sacramento.

According to the USCG, the Gloria Jean had no propulsion, food, water or safety equipment.

Read more here
www.arrl.org/news/amateurs-assist-with-ocean-rescue>.

SOCIAL SCENE

2011

Apr 2 - 3 vk4 Bunya Mts & District AmCom and SCARC Somerset Dam Camp Out.
(0488 687 649)

Apr 9 vk6 Hills Amateur Radio Group HARGFEST at club rooms Lesmurdie.
(HARGFEST. ie, hamfest run by HARG)

Apr 16 VK2 AGM ARNSW

Apr 18 WW "Amateur Radio: The first technology-based social network"
World Amateur Radio Day, April 18 and WIA Field Day 17TH.

Apr 23-24 VK2 Urunga Radio Convention Senior Citz Hall Bowra street

Apr 30 - May 1 Clareview Gathering contact Clive VK4ACC of RADAR Club
04 2963 2815.

May 7 VK4 Brisbane Amateur Radio Club's BARCfest, Mt. Gravatt Show
grounds, 1600 Logan Road, Upper Mt. Gravatt 9:30AM
email vk4so@wia.org.au

May 27-29 WIA AGM Weekend in Darwin
secretary@wia.org.au

Jun 10 - 12 VK4 Far North and North Queensland Amateur Radio Gathering at
King Reef Resort Kurrimine Beach.

Jun 11 - 12 VK2 Oxley Region Amateur Radio Club annual Field Day

Jul 16 VK3 Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club Hamfest
Cranbourne Community Hall 10am (secretary@ggrec.org.au)

Jul 16 VK4 Maryborough Electronics and Radio Group "Wide Bay Hamfest"
West Scout Hall, Ariadne St, Maryborough 8:30am.
secretary@merg.org.au

Jul 31 VK2/3 Riverina Field Day 10am at Lavington Scout Group Hall.

Aug 7 VK2 Lismore region - SARCFEST

Sep 11 VK3 SADARC Comms Day at St Augustine's Hall Shepparton 10am.

Sep 16-18 VK4 NQ Amateur Radio Convention Date Set Townsville

Sep 23-28 R3 Region 3 ARDF Championship Bendigo VK3
http://r3.ardf.org.au/

Sep 30-Oct 2 VK4 Central Highlands Amateur Radio Club AGM at Camp Fairbairn
CONTACT Secretary Gordon, (vk4kal@wia.org.au)

Nov 20 vk5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society Hamfest
Goodwood Community Centre, Rosa St Goodwood at 0930.
Visit www.ahars.com.au for contact details

2012

15TH IARU REGION 3 CONFERENCE hosted by V.A.R.C. in Ho-Chi-Minh City, Vietnam.

JAN 23-FEB 17 YEAR 2012
World Radio Conference WRC-11 Geneva 23rd January TO 17th February 2012

MAY 3-18 2012 VK5
YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

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Vk1wia-news mailing list
Vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
http://lists.wia.org.au/mailman/listinfo/vk1wia-news

345. Re: get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-01 20:24:10 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <01d51972-3ac1-4a7c-96d4-bd2c4e765fc7@u12g2000vbf.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4635
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.shortwave

On Mar 31, 9:11 pm, kb9rqz <m...@kb9rqz.com> wrote:
> On Mar 31, 5:26 pm, "Roger Wiseman" <rwisema...@hotmail.com> wrote:
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> > "tho...@antispam.ham" <tho...@ifa.hawaii.edu> wrote in message
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> >news:5986209b-d9a2-4a8b-8e57-6225cea35372@j19g2000prh.googlegroups.com...> MorkenStein
<morkenstei...@yahoo.com> writes:
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> > > 1> Newsgroups: news.admin.net-
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346. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-01 20:26:26 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <f28de0bc-5278-4a3b-9c3d-9f95187c7878@w6g2000vbo.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4636
Cross-posted to:
rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On Apr 1, 2:00 am, r...@panix.com (rec.radio.amateur.moderated Admin)
wrote:
> Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)

347. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-01 20:28:04 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <15366018-fcb4-4f90-9531-e35ac1d17a33@c26g2000vbq.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4637

On Apr 1, 10:02 am, 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdg...@gmail.com> wrote:
> ALL HOT PHOTOS SUPER SeXY
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348. Re: get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-02 11:54:42 UTC
From: "tholen@antispam.ham" <tholen@ifa.hawaii.edu>
Message-ID: <85acc156-2ad7-420d-b6f8-19de2951c6c7@g7g2000pro.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4638
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.shortwave

kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com> writes:

223> Newsgroups:
rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.shortwave

223> Message-ID: <01d51972-3ac1-4a7c-96d4-
bd2c4e765fc7@u12g2000vbf.googlegroups.com>Path: aioe.org!
news.glorb.com!news2.glorb.com!postnews.google.com!
l34g2000pro.googlegroups.com!not-for-mail

What does your empty response have to do with OS/2, kb9rqz?

349. Re: get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-02 18:02:05 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <ceb707aa-f2ff-4efd-b2d6-ebc095b6b7aa@1g2000yqq.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4639
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.shortwave

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> > >news:5986209b-d9a2-4a8b-8e57-6225cea35372@j19g2000prh.googlegroups.com...>
MorkenStein <morkenstei...@yahoo.com> writes:
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> > > > 1> Newsgroups: news.admin.net-
> > > > abuse.email,misc.health.alternative,alt.usenet.kooks,rec.radio.amateur.policy,comp
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350. Re: get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-02 18:23:57 UTC
From: dave <dave@dave.dave>
Message-ID: <4d976993$0$12517$bd467cd0@news.dslextreme.com>
Source record: 4640
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.shortwave

On 04/02/2011 11:02 AM, kb9rqz wrote:
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Thanks for reminding me.

351. SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 3 APRIL 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-02 19:00:21 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <20110402190007.396FA33C6C@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4641
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 3 APRIL 2011

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'ARMI' and follow the links for details. PLEASE NOTE: for audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail. Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 and 3,695 MHz SSB.

SILENT KEYS

It is with regret that it has to be announced that the keys of two radio amateurs became silent. They are:

James Timoney, ZS1TK, of Cape Town Amateur Radio Centre, at the age of 91.

The second one is Johan Du Plooy, ZS6AYO, at the age of 84, who leaves his wife, Joey.

Our sincere condolences go to the relatives and friends of the deceased.

(PAUSE)

In the news today:

PRESIDENT'S NET TONIGHT

NEW REGULATIONS RAISE CONCERNS

AMATEUR BAND ALLOCATION - GET THE FACTS

BOOK NOW FOR CRUISE DOWN MILLIONAIRES' MILE

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting news items.

NEWS FLASH - PRESIDENT'S NET

The SARL presents a President's Net this evening starting at 19:30 CAT on repeaters in various areas. Clubs wishing to link their repeaters to the teleconference bridge should send their landline number to

artoday@sarl.org before noon today (Sunday). It will also be available on Echolink and on 3 718 kHz.

NEW REGULATIONS RAISE CONCERNS

The radio regulations were published on 31 March and came into effect on 1 April 2011. Unfortunately, a number of mistakes have crept in, which ICASA is already working on to rectify as soon as possible.

The regulation for a ZU license is incorrect; the word "under" was left out in front of the 20 years. The situation is as follows: anyone can write the class B examination. There is no age restriction, but if you are over 20 years of age you cannot apply for a class B license, also known as a ZU license. If you have a class B qualification you will be able to keep a ZU license until you reach 25, when the license falls away.

The position of current ZU license holders has not been finalised. ICASA is likely to allow a two-year grace period for persons over 25 with a class B qualification to upgrade their class B certificate to a class A and apply for a class A license. To upgrade means having to write the class A examination.

Candidates over 20 years of age who have registered for the class B examination may still write, but should note that they will not be able to apply for any Amateur Radio license. The SARL recommends that you change your registration to Class A or request that your registration is postponed till the October examination to allow you more time to study.

In line with common practice, the Regulation Syllabus for the May examination remains unchanged, since it is already midterm. Candidates will thus be examined on the regulations in force when they started their studies earlier this year. The examination papers have already been completed. In the October examination candidates will be examined on the new regulations and any amendments that may be published soon.

If you are currently a ZR, you now have the same privileges as a ZS license holder. The upgrade process falls away. The new table of amateur radio frequency allocation is incorrect. Both ZR and ZS should follow the frequencies and power limits marked as A1. ZR license holders do not have to change their callsign.

AMATEUR BAND ALLOCATION - GET THE FACTS

There is still confusion about the allocation of amateur frequencies. While the ITU agrees on frequency allocations at the World Radio Conference, these allocations are only recommendations to national regulators.

In South Africa, frequency allocation is a function of the Table of Frequency Allocations which is developed by ICASA and published in the Government Gazette. ICASA is under no obligation to automatically

incorporate what the ITU may decide.

It is ICASA's job to regulate the spectrum in the best interest of all South Africans. The expansion of the 40 metre amateur band by 100 kHz to 7 200 kHz is a good example. The ITU recommended that it should happen by a certain date. Thanks to the SARL's intervention with ICASA, a separate regulation change was published in the Government Gazette to effectively implement the 40 metre band expansion in South Africa.

If the SARL had not done this, the expansion would have only happened with the publication of the next Table of Frequency allocation, two years later. Moreover, even if the expansion appears in the Table of Frequency Allocation, it still requires a change of the regulations. That would have only happened this year.

The ITU recommends, and ICASA implements. That is why the SARL meets regularly with ICASA to ensure that amateur radio is looked after. Amateur radio is a very small part of what ICASA does. The SARL believes that we are privileged that senior ICASA officials support amateur radio and work with us to support the continued development of amateur radio in South Africa.

NEW 70 MHz SARL RECORD

Mike Bosch, ZS2FM, reports that on 29 March 2011 Pieter, V51PJ, of Rosh Pinah and Andre, ZS2ACP, of Port Elizabeth established the first-ever digital contact between Namibia and South Africa over a distance of 1 086 km. This was followed by another FSK441 contact between V51PJ and Paul, ZS6NK, of Polokwane, which is a new 70 MHz SARL digital record of 1 346 km. Congratulations to the three of you for your pioneering efforts.

FSK441 uses Frequency Shift Keying at a baud rate of 441 Hz. Four distinct tones are used, namely 882, 1 323, 1 764, and 2 205 Hz. Each encoded character uses three tone intervals and therefore requires 3/441 seconds (approximately 2,3 ms) for its transmission. FSK441 accommodates a potential "alphabet" of 48 characters. The present encoding scheme uses 43 of these characters.

BOOK NOW FOR CRUISE DOWN MILLIONAIRES' MILE

There are only 20 places left on the boat trip down Millionaire's Mile on the Vaal. Start the 2011 SARL National Convention in style on 15 April. Book now to avoid disappointment! See the Vaal and enjoy a delicious dinner on the Liquid Lounge and stand the chance to win a dual-band VHF/UHF handheld transceiver donated by Kobus, ZS1K, of Lets Play Radio. The draw will be held during the cruise. Book now. It is expected that the twenty seats to be snapped up quickly. Full details and how to book are available on www.qsl.net/zs4srk or follow the link from www.sarl.org.za. It could just be your lucky night to walk away with the dual-band radio.

NEW MEMBERS

The membership of the SARL has jumped to 1 527 as we welcome yet more new members to the SARL. We wish the following newbies a long and beneficial association:

Dirk van Vuuren - ZSL1009 Louis Bredenhann - ZSL1010 Norman Esterhuizen - ZSL1011 Neil Ritson - ZSL1012 Andrew van Heerden - ZSL1013 Jeffrey Grusd - ZS6IRQ

CONTEST NEWS

The first leg of the SARL 80 m QSO Party will be on the air on Thursday 7 April, from 17:00 to 20:00 UTC, with phone activity between 3 603 to 3 650 and 3 700 to 3 800 kHz.

The exchange is your call sign, RS signal report and operator's name. You score 10 points for every contact with a South African station and 15 points for every contact with a station outside South Africa. Logs must be submitted by 14 April to the Durban ARC, 17 Brownlee Place, Bluff, Durban, 4052, or by e-mail to zs5lp@vodamail.co.za.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is at moderate levels. Currently Sunspots 1 176, 1 180 and 1 183 are doing their part to make HF operators happy with some very nice DX openings during the past week. The effective sunspot number is expected to be around 75 for the coming week.

15 m will provide the best opportunities for DX followed by 20 m. With the higher sunspot activity, 10 m will open first followed by the lower bands later during the day. Conditions to India will be good from the afternoon till after sunset. During the late afternoons conditions will be good towards Europe. Fair contacts with the USA are possible during the evening. Contacts with Australia are possible on 20 m after sunset. Openings to Brazil and South America are possible during the afternoons. With the good 15 and 20 m openings, 17 m and 12 m will also be full of surprises.

For the CW and digital enthusiasts 30 m may be very rewarding with openings to many parts of the world.

Locally 40 m is the workhorse for contacts around the country with 20 and 30m also being very useful for contacts over the longer distances. 80 m will be best during the early mornings and late afternoons as well as over the shorter distances.

80 m is the frequency of choice during the evenings.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

3 April - Tonight the President's Net at 19:30 CAT. 7 April - SARL 80 m QSO Party, 17:0 to 20:0 UTC. 15-16 April - SARL National Convention at Vaal University for Technology. 7 May - RTA in Cape Town. 18 June -

Programming in Windows course in Gauteng. Book at www.sarl.org.za.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 750 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'ARMI' and follow the links. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 18:30 CAT on 3 230 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by Hester van der Walt and checked by George, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening, 73.
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352. NZART Headquarters Infoline Issue 227

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-03 03:24:26 UTC
From: jamiepye <jamie.pye@pyenet.co.nz>
Message-ID: <GBEFLHAKABNBJEJENPGDCEJMDDAA.jamie.pye@pyenet.co.nz>
Source record: 4642
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

NZART Headquarters Infoline Issue 227
03-APRIL-2011
NZART Website: http://www.nzart.org.nz/home/

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Message from Break-In Editor
"The Break-In Editor John Walker ZL3IB has advised that he is assuming
Break-In will be published as usual although it maybe slightly late."

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>From The Business Manager ZL2DL
Debby says...
Rugby World Cup 2011: NZART Council has declared the Rugby World Cup to be a
Special Event and encourages you to use the ZM prefix. In declaring this a
special event it allows hams to use the ZM prefix eg ZM3TNT. In it's April
"Business Update", RSM states: "To Promote the Rugby World Cup, New Zealand
Amateurs are encouraged to use the ZM callsign prefix during September and
October 2011".

A Map of New Zealand has been placed on the NZART website with game
locations linked to contact details of local branches, any planned special

events, on air events, and local repeater frequencies. Branches are to be encouraged to invite visiting hams to attend meetings and any special events. Any proposed changes or additions to this are to be forwarded to myself or the NZART webmaster.

Suggested special event call signs are as listed below

ZL6RWCN Northern Districts
ZL6RWCC Central Districts
ZL6RWCM Midlands Districts
ZL6RWCS Southern Districts

Anyone interested in picking up any these callsigns and being a trustee may contact myself zl3tnt@nzart.org.nz for further details.

Individuals are encouraged to apply for "RWC" suffix callsigns and print QSL Cards.

My thanks are extended to Paul Ormandy ZL4PW for his assistance in putting this project together.

Ann Fraser ZL3TNT

Break In April/May issue: Due to the recent earthquake in Christchurch, the April/May issue of Break In will be dispatched from Christchurch on or about the 7th April.

I will be on leave: The office will be closed from Tuesday 13th April until Tuesday 26th April as I will be away. For any urgent enquiries, please contact your local Councillor, or nearest branch.

Talk soon...Debby ZL2DL

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FMTAG Notes For Infoline-227
Please click HERE to go to the FMTAG Applications Being Processed

Proposals
1.. Branch 60 Taupo has applied for a 2 metre APRS Digipeater at Kururau Road, Topo50 map reference BH33 913938. The transmit and receive frequency will be 144.575 MHz. An Engineering Evaluation, in accordance with the MED's Radio Licence Certification Rules (PIB38), shows that there will be no interference to other stations.
2.. Branch 81 Waikato VHF has applied for a 2 metre Voice Repeater at Maungakawa, Topo50 map reference BC34 119.91 565.00. The transmit frequency will be 145.575 MHz and the receive frequency will be 144.975 MHz. An Engineering Evaluation, in accordance with the MED's Radio Licence Certification Rules (PIB38), shows that there will be no interference to other stations.
3.. Branch 81 Waikato VHF has applied for a 70 cm Link at Maungakawa, Topo50 map reference BC34 119.91 565.00. The transmit and receive frequency will be 434.350 MHz. An Engineering Evaluation, in accordance with the MED's Radio Licence Certification Rules (PIB38), shows that there will be no

interference to other stations.
4.. Branch 81 Waikato VHF has applied for a 70 cm Link at Te Uku, Topo50 map reference BD32 732.64 067.29. The transmit and receive frequency will be 434.350 MHz. An Engineering Evaluation, in accordance with the MED's Radio Licence Certification Rules (PIB38), shows that there will be no interference to other stations.
Final Recommendations to NZART Council
Published on the NZART website, and in NZART HQ Infoline No.224, for the information of, and inviting comments from, NZART members.

1.. Branch 83 Raglan has applied for a 2 metre Voice and Data repeater at Ward Street, Topo50 map reference BD33 007.88 154.66. The transmit frequency will be 145.350 MHz and the receive frequency will be 144.750 MHz. An Engineering Evaluation, in accordance with the MED's Radio Licence Certification Rules (PIB38), shows that there will be no interference to other stations.
2.. Branch 83 Raglan has applied for a 70 centimetre Voice and Data repeater at Ward Street, Topo50 map reference BD33 007.88 154.66. The transmit frequency will be 439.425 MHz and the receive frequency will be 434.425 MHz. An Engineering Evaluation, in accordance with the MED's Radio Licence Certification Rules (PIB38), shows that there will be no interference to other stations.
Published on the NZART website, and in NZART HQ Infoline No.225, for the information of, and inviting comments from, NZART members.

1.. Branch 74 Wellington VHF has applied to relocate its 2 metre Bulletin Board to Ngaio Reservoir, Topo50 map reference BQ31 494.92 316.02. An Engineering Evaluation, in accordance with the MED's Radio Licence Certification Rules (PIB38), shows that the transmit frequency can remain on 146.025 MHz and the receive frequency can remain on 146.625 MHz, and that there will be no interference to other stations.
2.. Branch 74 Wellington VHF has applied to relocate its 70 centimetre Bulletin Board to Ngaio Reservoir, Topo50 map reference BQ31 494.92 316.02. An Engineering Evaluation, in accordance with the MED's Radio Licence Certification Rules (PIB38), shows that the transmit frequency can remain on 434.875 MHz and the receive frequency can remain on 439.875 MHz, and that there will be no interference to other stations.
3.. Branch 74 Wellington VHF has applied to change the frequency of the 70 centimetre repeater located at Ngaio Reservoir, Topo50 map reference BQ31 494.92 316.02. The transmit frequency will be 434.550 MHz and the receive frequency will be 439.550 MHz. An Engineering Evaluation, in accordance with the MED's Radio Licence Certification Rules (PIB38), shows that there will be no interference to other stations.
Comments and Applications
Please send your comments and suggestions on the above matters and recommendations, and on any other FMTAG matters, by e-mail to: fmtag@nzart.org.nz

Applications for repeaters, beacons, digipeaters, point-to-point links, and so on, should be made on the latest version of FMTAG Form 10. The latest versions of FMTAG Form 10, and the explanatory Form 10A, are available on

the NZART web site:
http://www.nzart.org.nz/nzart/fmtag/

Completed forms should be sent by e-mail to fmtag@nzart.org.nz

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ARISSat-1 [1] to be Switched on in Mid-April
Is everyone ready for ARISSat-1 [1] to be switched on in mid-April to commemorate the 50th anniversary of Yuri Gagarin's first manned space flight? I enjoy listening for the ISS, and my Funcube Dongle [2] has made it really easy.

Anyone working through any educational aspects with a local school? The ARISSat web site has some ideas and some of the Funcube education outreach concepts are also adaptable.

73, Jim ZL2IA

[1] http://www.arissat1.org/
[2] http://www.funcubedongle.com/

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Publicity and Marketing Officer
Message From President Roy ZL2KH
It is with regret that I have to inform you that I have accepted the resignation of David Searle ZL3DWS as Marketing and Publicity Officer.

David would have been ideal for this position - but has made the decision to move with his family to Sydney - as a result of recent seismic activity in Christchurch.

73, Roy ZL2KH

That is rather sad. David was in the job for only a month.

The job is now open again.

See details at:
http://www.nzart.org.nz/council/jobs/marketing/

Jamie ZL2NN Editor

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Call For a ZL4 Councillor
The incoming council needs the names of members in ZL4 who are interested in being councillors.

Anyone interested should contact either ZL2KH or HQ

ZL2KH

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E, X and Y Callsign Suffixes to Become Available to NZ Amateurs
Following representations by NZART, Radio Spectrum Management have agreed that Amateurs will, in the future, be permitted to be issued with callsigns whose suffixes start with E (previously AREC) X and Y. The rules for callsigns using these suffixes will be the same as those for existing (A to D and F to W) callsign suffixes - see PIB 46 for details.

This change will:
1.. make additional (temporary) single letter single letter callsigns available to contest and similar operators;
2.. give a great deal of pleasure to those contesters and DXers who wish to use a more interesting and unique callsign; and
3.. allow name-based call sign combinations for those whose names start with the letter E (e.g. Ernie), X (e.g. Xavier) and Y (e.g. Young)
At the same time, RSM will extend the temporary commemorative callsign series from ZL 10 - 99 to ZL 10 ï¿½ 100.

RSM plan to include these changes in Edition 13 of PIB 46 which they expect to publish in June 2011. The new callsign series will be available for Approved Radio Examiners to allocate from the date of publication.

Don Wallace ZL2TLL NZART Administration Liaison Officer (ALO)

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Long Path PSK - an Answer
Another response from the IBMHams group: to the original question about Long Path PSK:

This is called LDE (Long Delayed Echo) and I donï¿½t think anyone alive can explain the length of the delays (usually a lot more than 1/7th of a second, the length of time for a signal to go all the way around the world). I have noticed it many times in my 60 years of hamming. I cannot explain the frequency differences, though. It may be that in other than digital modes this effect was not noticeable, although in AM days, it would have caused a significant heterodyne.

John, K2CIB

regards 73 de ZL1GWE John

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Invitation to School Radio Clubs to Arrange Lunch-time QSOs[1]
The Public Information Brochure 46, PIB 46 [2] called "Radio operator certificate and callsign rules", a publication from the Radio Spectrum Management Group (RSM), makes provision for Radio Club Stations to train unqualified persons live, on-air, under the direct supervision of a qualified amateur radio operator.

The club's callsign is used with a suffix "XT" (Examination Trainee), and candidates may take an active part in general communication, operate transmitter controls, and engage in calling and signing off procedures.

Reports are encouraged and should be send to:
webmaster@nzart.org.nz?subject=WEB_ENTRY_SCHOOL_SKEDS

[1]A detailed note may be found at:
http://www.nzart.org.nz/news/2011-news/mar-2011-news/#mar-08

[2]
http://www.rsm.govt.nz/cms/pdf-library/resource-library/publications/pib-46/pib46-edition-011-feb-2011.pdf/view

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Microsoft Scheme Sniffs Out Unused Wireless Spectrum
Volunteered equipment would map white spaces that unlicensed devices could use

By Tim Greene, Network World

March 25, 2011 10:26 AM ET

Microsoft researchers have designed a scheme for measuring whether licensed radio frequencies are actually being used so unlicensed devices can use it, something that may become necessary as demand for wireless applications grows.

The architecture, called SpecNet, would sense and map where spectrum is being used and more particularly where it's not -- so-called white spaces, according to a paper being presented next week at the USENIX Symposium on Networked Systems Design and Implementation in Cambridge, Mass.

Further details can be found at:
http://www.networkworld.com/news/2011/032511-usenix-microsoft-spectrum.html?hpg1=bn

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New Mars Rover To Feature Morse Code
As the Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL http://marsprogram.jpl.nasa.gov/msl/) builds the next Mars rover -- this one is named Curiosity -- to deploy to the red planet in the fall of 2011, they're having a little fun with it. Back in 2007 when the Curiosity team was putting together the rover, its wheel cleats had a raised pattern with the letters "JPL," leaving a little stamp of the rover's birthplace everywhere it rolled. "At the time, I asked whether the real rover would have those wheels, and they said, no, they weren't going to get to advertise JPL with each turn of each of the rover's six wheels; the real rover would have some other pattern," said Emily Lakdawalla of The Planetary Society in her blog http://www.planetary.org/blog/article/00002967/. Lakdawalla is the organization's Science and Technology Coordinator.

Lakdawalla said that there is nothing special about the shapes of the markers in Opportunity's wheels; they are just square holes through the wheels through which the wheels were bolted to the lander during cruise and landing." Opportunity is the name of the rover that went to Mars back in 2003. "But Curiosity didn't need holes in its wheels for attaching to any

lander -- there isn't one. So the engineers got to make the markers in any shape they wanted to."

But in March 2011, she saw a video http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G019Jci0abs of the rover as it is today: "I had to chuckle at those 'visual odometry markers' [on its tires]. Before I explain why, I'll point out that they really are useful things to have in rover wheels. The repeating pattern of the 'visual odometry markers'...makes it fairly easy for both the rover and human operators to determine visually how far the rover has roved using rear-view imagery." So what pattern did JPL choose to put on Curiosity's wheels? One that Lakdawalla called "very amusing. The holes are in a pattern of short squares and longer rectangles -- almost like dots and dashes.

"Morse code" And what does it spell out in Morse code? JPL .- - - .- -. .-..

According to JPL, Curiosity is about the size of a small SUV -- 10 feet long (not including the arm), 9 feet wide and 7 feet tall -- or about the height of a basketball player -- and weighs 2000 pounds. It features a geology lab, rocker-bogie suspension, a rock-vaporizing laser and lots of cameras. Curiosity will search areas of Mars for past or present conditions favorable for life and for conditions capable of preserving a record of life. It is set to launch between November 25-December 18, 2011 from Cape Canaveral, Florida and will arrive on Mars between August 6-20, 2012. The prime mission will last one Mars year, or about 23 Earth months.

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World Amateur Radio Day 2010
Each year on 18 April, radio amateurs celebrate World Amateur Radio Day. On that day in 1925 the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) was founded. In 2010, the theme of the event is "Amateur Radio: Combining communication experience with modern digital techniques."

See more at:
http://www.iaru.org/worldAmRadioDay.html

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World Amateur Radio Day - 18th April 2011 - ZL2WARD
BRANCH 74

Listen for Special Event Station ZL2WARD on the National System on Monday the 18th of April 2011.

Email the details of your contact with ZL2WARD and receive a QSL card, to:
ZL2WA@clear.net.nz

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Kiwi Digital Modes Group
2011 VK/ZL RTTY SPRINT CONTEST
The third running of the Kiwi Digital Modes Group RTTY contest will take

place in April 2011.

For full rules please see:
http://www.nzart.org.nz/activities/contest-rules/rules-kdmg/

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Upcoming Events
1.. Wellington EXPO-11 & VHF Convention 23-April-2011
http://www.nzart.org.nz/activities/events/expo-2011/
2.. UPPER HUTT NZART Conference 2011 04/06-June-2011
http://www.nzart.org.nz/activities/events/2010-upper-hutt-conf/
Contest News
VHF/UHF/SHF Contest
VHF++ Hibernation Contest (1st SAT JUN 2nd if Conf) 11/12-JUN-2011
THE VHF CONTEST RULES (http://www.vhf.org.nz/VHF-UHF-SHF-ContestRules)

Contest Calendar 2011
Contest Name
Thelma Souper Memorial
KDMG RTTY 80 m
KDMG RTTY 40 m
Date(s) 2011
09/10-APR-2011
16-APR-2011
23-APR-2011

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Regards, Jamie Pye ZL2NN, Editor zl2nn@nzart.org.nz

353. ATTENTION CW OPS: Did you know Morse code is divinely-inspired??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-03 13:54:26 UTC
From: Kickin' Ass and Takin' Names <PopUlist349@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <kvugp69i0meneo48ajjv416a5h6gh42d40@4ax.com>
Source record: 4643

http://www.themoralliberal.com/2011/04/02/morse-code-and-the-evidence-of-divine-origin/

-- quote

The world of communication was revolutionized by a man who died APRIL 2, 1872. His name was Samuel F.B. Morse, inventor of the telegraph and the Morse Code. An outstanding portrait artist in his own right, founding the National Academy of Design, Morse erected the first telegraph lines between Baltimore and the U.S. Supreme Court chamber in Washington, D.C.

The first message over this new communication system, sent in 1844, was only four words, a verse from the Bible, Numbers 23:23:

What hath God Wrought!

Samuel F.B. Morse, who graduated from Yale in 1810, was the son of educator Jedediah Morse, known as ï¿½Father of American Geography.ï¿½

Jedediah Morse stated in Charleston, Massachusetts, April 25, 1799:

Whenever the pillars of Christianity shall be overthrown, our present republican forms of government, and all the blessings which flow from them, must fall with them.

Four years before his death, Samuel F.B. Morse wrote:

The nearer I approach to the end of my pilgrimage, the clearer is the evidence of the divine origin of the Bible, the grandeur and sublimity of Godï¿½s remedy for fallen man are more appreciated, and the future is illumined with hope and joy.

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354. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 03rd April 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-03 20:00:17 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20110403200006.6A01233C54@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4644
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 03rd April 2011

IRTS AGM Weekend

Limerick Radio Club hosted the 79th AGM of the IRTS last weekend. Eighty Seven (87) guests attended the Annual Dinner and invited guests included Cllr. Katlheen Leddin, Colin & Gwen Thomas G3PSM representing IARU Region 1, Conor Conran representing Comreg. Colin Thomas also passed on the best wishes of Dave Wilson M0OBW, President of RSGB and Kay Craigie N3KN President of ARRL.

On Sunday almost 200 visitors attended the Limerick Radio Club Rally, and lots of happy faces were seen leaving with boxes of goodies! The AREN MCP was in attendance which attracted a lot of interest and some potential new members. The IRTS 80M news was read by Ger McNamara EI4GXB from the same large room that Terry Genes G4POP delivered his seminar on Ham Radio Deluxe. All in all a very successful weekend was had by all and Limerick Radio Club would like to thank everyone who attended.

IRTS Awards Presented at IRTS AGM 2011

The following is a random selection of some of the awards and respective recipients presented at the IRTS AGM Limerick 2011:-

IRTS CW FD, IRTS Pete Daly Cup, presented to Jeremy, EI5GM/P

IRTS CW FD restricted, IRTS Paddy Smyth Cup, presented Dundalk Amateur Radio Society, EI0W/P.

IRTS SSB FD Open, Paddy Daly Microphone presented to Tipperary Amateur Radio Group, EI7T/P.

IRTS SSB restricted, IRTS HF Shield presented to Shannon Basin Radio Club, EI3Z/P

Full details of awards and recipients can be obtained by logging on to IRTS.ie.

AREN at IRTS AGM Limerick 2011

AREN would like to thank EI4BZ, EI5GOB, EI2IT, EI3FFB and EI7IG for their assistance with the Mobile Command Post over the weekend of the IRTS AGM. Also, AREN would like to thank the Radio Amateurs that stopped by for a chat and to ask questions. Lastly we would encourage any Radio Amateur with an interest in Emergency Communications to join the low volume google group AREN-EI, and we would encourage discussion related to the topic.

South Dublin Radio Club

South Dublin Radio Club are back operating at their totally refurbished premises in Ballyroan Community Centre, Marian Road, Rathfarnham, Dublin.

Next Tuesday April 5th Ronnie EI9ED will be travelling from Kells to give a talk, at 8pm, on Amateur Television at South Dublin Radio Club. He will explain how easy it is to get involved in the hobby and the facilities offered by the television repeater in Kingscourt Co. Cavan. Visitors as always are welcome to attend.

Tipperary Amateur Radio Group

The next meeting of the Tipperary Amateur Radio Group will take place in Raheen House Hotel, Raheen Road, Clonmel on Thursday next the 7th of April at 8.30pm All are welcome.

UK Coast Guard Frequency Changes

Two UK Coastguard stations are moving frequency to below 2MHz from April 4, 2011. These changes will be made to HMCG MF transmitting frequencies: MRCC Humber -TX on 2226 kHz will change to 1925 kHz. MRCC Falmouth - TX on 2226 kHz will change to 1880 kHz

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THANK YOU - PAT CONWAY TROPHY

Michael Clarke Mi5MTC writes, wishing to thank the IRTS for presenting him with the Pat Conway Cup at the AGM in Limerick. Louth Erne have again won the RSGB Club of the Year Award for Northern Ireland.

They count among their members, many new amateur radio families, fathers, mothers, daughters and sons, and five women, all newly licensed from our Foundation courses in 2010. The club now has a rich programme of amateur radio activities.

The next activity is the Pearl Anniversary Rally on 17th April, the Sunday before Easter in SHARE.

On display will this large cup engraved IRTS Pat Conway EI3Z Perpetual Memorial Trophy. The club proud to have it and hope that the rally and all their other successes are an apt memorial to Ei3Z

Japan Earthquake and Tsunami

As misery continues since the earthquake, tsunami and nuclear accident hit north-eastern Japan on 11 March, the headquarters station of the Japan Amateur Radio League (JARL) in Tokyo, JA1RL, became a disaster communication centre in the days immediately after the disaster.

International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) Region 3 Secretary, Ken Yamamoto JA1CJP reports that they transmitted rescue requests including the needs of refugee centre facilities down to the basics of electricity, water and gas supplies.

Ken JA1CJP said that hand-held VHF and UHF transceivers are now being delivered to the local disaster relief centres. "The equipment is being used to establish VHF/UHF networks for refugee centres and local disaster relief," he said. "JARL expresses its appreciation to all radio amateurs for their cooperation to keep 7.030MHz clear for disaster relief communications." Ken JA1CJP, said.

DX News

A major IOTA expedition which incorporates 5 different IOTA references in Papua New Guinea has just started and the team are currently on the Feni Islands OC-101 signing P29VCX until 7 April. Then from 8 - 14 April they move to the Nuguria Islands OC-257 where the call P29NI will be used. This is followed by the Green Islands OC-231 where they will use P29VLR from 15 - 18 April. Finally the call P29VCX will firstly be used on Misima Island OC-117 on 22 - 25 April and then on Loloata Island OC-240 from 26 - 27 April. All in all this presents an opportunity to work up to 5 new ones for the IOTA Award or possibly to fill in a few slots for your DXCC Challenge.

Three French operators will be QRV from the Seychelles using the callsign S79UFT until 15 April. They will operate mainly CW with some PSK.

Our own DXer Dave EI9FBB will pay a short visit to Monaco later this month and will be active as 3A/EI9FBB from 20 - 22 April. Operation will be mainly in the afternoons and logs will be uploaded to Logbook of the World and eQSL.

Uganda has been quite easy to work in recent times. Nick 5X1NH has been very active and is still there till 14 April. Another visitor this time UV5EVJ is now signing 5X1VJ. He will be in Uganda till 8 June.

Craig VK4LDX will be QRV from Magnetic Island OC-171 from 17 - 20 April. He plans to operate SSB, PSK41 and RTTY. He will use the call VK4LDX/P.

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9 year-old radio ham operator on YouTube

A new video of 9 year-old radio ham operator Katia Ivanova, RZ9UMA, has been posted on YouTube. The video shows Katia QRV on CW and SSB.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

355. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1005

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-03 21:40:50 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <650118.23181.qm@smtp101.sbc.mail.gq1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 4645
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1005
Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 1005

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Bulletin No. 1005
BID: $OPDX.1005
April 4, 2011
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, K1XN & GoList, NJ1Q, NG3K & ADXO, N4AA & QRZ DX, WP3GW, N5ER, KH6BZF, K8GI, K8JP/V31JP, K8YSE, W8GEX (60m News), 9M6DXX, AT International, DL1SBF, DL7MAE & The DX News Letter, DxCoffee.com, DXItalia.it, DX-World.Net,
F5NQL, F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX, I1JQJ/IK1ADH & 425 DX News, JI5RPT, LA9VDA, OZ6OM & 50 MHz DX News, Pete's-DX-Newsdesk, RSGB IOTA Web Site, SM5AQD, TA1HZ, VA3RJ & ICPO, VE3LYC, VHF-DX-Portal (MMMonVHF) and VU2PTT for the following DX information.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 27th-March, through Sunday, 3rd-April there were 238 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4W, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5V, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9U, 9V, 9Y, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HC8, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH9, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VK9C, VP2E, VP5, VP8, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, VU4, XE, XT, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZD9, ZF, ZK2, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

4W6, TIMOR-LESTE (Update/Press Release #2 - Callsign/Web Site Announced): "The September 2011 Timor-Leste DXpedition has now received its callsign

- 4W6A - from ARCOM, the licensing authority in Dili. The team is very grateful to ARCOM for issuing this special one-letter callsign for use on the DXpedition.
The DXpedition has a Web site, at <http://www.4w6a.com>, which includes profiles of the team members, propagation predictions and lots of information about Timor-Leste and Atauro Island, the location of the DXpedition.
Unfortunately, Franck, VK8FNCY, has had to withdraw from the DXpedition due to health reasons. His place has been taken by Tim/M0URX and Ant/MW0JZE. Oliver, MW0JRX, is now resident in Darwin and has recently received his Australian callsign, VK8DX. The other team members remain Stuart/VK8NSB, Steve/9M6DXX and John/9M6XRO. As the team now comprises of six operators, we have increased the number of stations from three to four.
The group is requesting donations from DX clubs and individuals who wish to help in order to cover the high cost of generator hire, fuel for the generators and the boat charter to and from the island. There is a "Donations" page on the 4W6A Web site. Payments may be made by credit or debit card (you do not need to have a PayPal account yourself in order to make a donation).
4W6A will be QRV from Atauro Island (IOTA OC-232), Timor-Leste (East Timor), from September 16-26th, 2011. Activity will be on all bands 160-10 meters, using CW, SSB and RTTY. The QSL manager is M0URX, direct (SAE plus 1 IRC/2 USDs), via the Bureau, or LoTW. The entire log will be uploaded to LoTW as soon as possible after the end of the operation or, if possible, even during the DXpedition. QSLs may also be requested using the QSL request form on the Web site.....
73, Steve, 9M6DXX (4W6A Team Member)"

5M, LIBERIA. The I2YSB DXpedition team is now active as 5M2TT from Liberia until April 13th. The team consists of Silvano/I2YSB, Vinicio/IK2CIO, Angelo/IK2CKR, Marcello/IK2DIA and Stefano/IK2HKT. The pilot station will be Art/IK7JWY. The group plans to use 3 stations for the HF bands and one other for the 50 MHz band (w/beacon and cubical quad antenna). Activity will be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via I2YSB (A OQRS is available -- See Web page for details). An online log (provided by IH9GPI) is available at:
http://www.i2ysb.com/joomla5/index.php?option=com_wrapper&view=wrapper&Itemid9
The official Web site is at: http://www.i2ysb.com
Official forum (for any comment, suggestion or to contact the pilot) is available at: http://www.hamradioweb.org/forums
The current QSO count as of April 3rd, at 1556z is: 12871 QSOs with 6245 unique callsigns (5317/SSB, 7327/CW and 227/RTTY).

9L, SIERRA LEON (Update/Change - 9L5MS DXpedition). The members of the Dutch 9L5MS DXpedition (and in close cooporation between the DAGOE Foundation and Mercy Ships) sent out the following press release on March 26th:
"There is a major change in the planning of the DXpedition. Here's the bottom-line.
We expect that our first radio operations will start a couple of days later than expected. Hopefully during the weekend of April 2nd. Reason

for this is that the container that carries our antenna's and other stuff that we need for the station (our food & water supplies and generators), is still in the customs-process. We expect that the customs will not release the container until 4th of April! Last Thursday, March 24th, we evaluated the situation and the team decided to go for plan B. So what's plan B? Plan B is that on Friday, March 25th we redesigned a new minimal antenna-farm that we can take with us on the plane. We decided that we will take 3 fiberglass verticals that will bring us on the air on 40m-10m. Sorry, no verticals available for the low bands and no RX-antennas during the first phase. Still...food, water and electricity are a problem. We will have to figure this out when we are in Freetown on the hospital ship Africa Mercy next week. During that week we will also work on Mercy Ships projects as volunteers. As soon as the material arrives we will concentrate on the Low Bands, using beams and Receiving arrays.
So we will be on the air from Sierra Leone soon, but the exact starting date is still unknown. We will inform you about our proceedings via our website, Twitter and the DX-cluster. Stay tuned!
73, 9L5MS - Sierra Leone DXpedition team."
ADDED NOTES/UPDATE: The 9L5MS team is on the air since April 2nd. They have limited antennas, power and Internet. As of 1200z, April 3rd, the first upload from the log was processed. For more details, updates and their log, visit their Web page at: http://www.sierraleone2011.com/sl_2011/home.php
You can also follow the team on Twitter: @DXpedition

A5, BHUTAN (Op Cancelled!). Hiromichi, JA1IFB, informs that operators Shigeo/JA1JQY (A52JY), Nakayama/JA1KJW (A52KJ) and Kunio/JA8VE (A52VE) have cancelled their operation from Thimphu between April 19-26th, due to the big earthquake and tsunami hitting the JA7 district on March 11th. Look for this operation to possibly be rescheduled.

B7, CHINA. A Chinese team of operators, along with some operators from Hong Kong, will activate B7P from Foshan City (WW. Grid OL63NA), nearby Guangzhou City, during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 28-29th) as a Multi-2 entry. Operators mentioned are Terry/BA7NQ (leader), JinQuan/BD7JC, Yang/BD7IXG, Paul/BA7JS, BD7IBS, BD7KS, Wong/VR2KW, Nelson/VR2AAW and Lam/VR2XZK. All QSLs will be sent via Bureau. For direct cards, please QSL via their manager BD7IXG.

CARIBBEAN GRIDS TO BE ACTIVATED ON THE BIRDS! Bryan, KL7CN, will be active on a holiday style DXpedition on the FM satellites from various Caribbean locations this coming week starting Sunday, April 3rd. Bryan states that he will start at /KP4 from San Juan, and then operate /MM from as many grids as he can, followed by J6/ from St. Lucia, then as V25CN from Antigua, then as a very special FS/PJ7/ operation from the border monument on St. Martin, then /KP2 from St. Croix, and finally again as /KP4. If you are on the ASMAT-BB mailing list, Bryan states, "I will attempt to send a note at the beginning of each day indicating if, when, and how operation will occur."

CARIBBEAN TOUR. Operators Torsten/DL1THM and Anja/DH2AK will be active as ZF2TH and ZF2AT respectively, from Grand Cayman Island (NA-016, WLOTA

LH-1042) between May 6-13th. Activity will be holiday style and mostly on 20 meters SSB. Most of the operation will be from the beach using a LiPo battery pack, IC-7000 and Buddipole. The two operators will also be active from New Providence Island (NA-001), Bahamas, as DL1THM/C6A and DH2AK/C6A. QSL ZF2TH and DL1THM/C6A via DL1THM, by the Bureau or direct. QSL ZF2AT and DH2AK/C6A via DH2AK, by the Bureau or direct.

CR6, PORTUGAL (Special Event). Members of the Algarve STAR DX Team will be on air as CR6A from "The Submerged Fortress" in the sea near Olhao city in the southern part of Portugal inside the CTFF-07 Natural Park, April 17th. This fortress is only accessible via boats and on very low tide. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW and SSB. Operators mentioned are Arlindo/CT1EGW, Jose/CT1EHX, Antonio/CT1GFK, Goncalo/CT1GPQ and Miguel/CT1IUA. All info and award references are available on: http://algarvedx.com
PLEASE NOTE: This activity is possible only in very good weather conditions. If not, it will be delayed again.

CS2, PORTUGAL (Harley-Davidson Special Event). Operators Nuno/CT2FPE, Joao/CT1EVE, Jose/CT1EUB and Virgilio/CT1ETX will be active once again as CS2HD between May 23-29th. Activity is to celebrate the 2nd Harley-Davidson meeting in Tavira-Algarve. Look for operations to be on all modes and bands. QSL via CT2FPE. More info to become available soon on QRZ.com.

EB8, CANARY ISLANDS. Operators Pekka/EA8AH, Juan/EA8CAC, Manuel/EA8ZS, Sal/EA5DY, Jose/EA5DFV and Jussi-Pekka/OH6RX will be active as EB8AH during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Multi/2 entry. QSL via LoTW.

FRENCH POLYNESIAN TOUR (FO, FO/A and FO/M). Yves, F6CTL, will once again be in French Polynesia as FO/F6CTL and plans to activate some of its islands between June and July. His activity will be somewhat holiday style, mainly on SSB and the Digital modes, with some possible CW, using an IC-7000 into a vertical or wire antenna. The following islands and dates were announced:
June 19-22nd - Ua Pou (OC-027); Counts for DXCC as Marquesas
June 22-26th - Ua Huka (OC-027); Counts for DXCC as Marquesas
June 27-29th - Raita (OC-067); Counts for DXCC as French Polynesia
June 30th-July 3rd – Bora Bora (OC-067); Counts for DXCC as F. Polynesia
July 3-7th - Rangiroa (OC-066); Counts for DXCC as French Polynesia
July 7-10th - Tahiti (OC-046); Counts for DXCC as French Polynesia
July 11-14th - Rimatara (OC-050); Counts for DXCC as Austral Islands
QSL via his home callsign.

HR, HONDURAS (Update). The "DX-World.Net" reports that "Wild Bill", N2WB, is planning to be active HR5/N2WB from Honduras between April 20th and May 4th. QSL via N2OO.

IOTA NEWS.....
EU-001. (Update) Members of the "DX Plus" Hellenic Amateur Radio Team will be active as SX5F from Pharmakonisi Island between May

14-22nd. Operators mentioned are Theodoros/SV1GRM, Sotirios/
SV1HER, George/SV1RP, Spiros/SV1RC, George/SV1QN, Giannis/
SV1GYG and Takis/SV2FWV. Activity will be on all HF bands
using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via the RAAG Bureau.
For more details, see Web site at: http://www.qrz.com/db/SX5F

EU-079. Members of the QLF DX Team will be active as LA6Q from More
Og Romsdal County South IOTA Group between April 8-11th.
Operators mentioned are Bjorn/LA5UKA and Trond/LA9VDA. Activity
will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL cards can
be requested via E-mail to la9vda@gmail.com. For a direct QSL,
please add 3 USDs or 1 new and stamped IRC and SAE. Send it
to: Trond Johannessen, Helgedalen 13, N-1528 Moss, NORWAY.
Cards without the right postage will be sent through the
Bureau.

EU-094. A team of French and Belgian operators will activate a few
different islands in the Glenan Island chain located in the
Bretagne (Finistere South) Region IOTA Group as TM1G between
July 27th and August 3rd. The French operators mentioned are
Didier/F1LLV, Didier/F4ELJ, Jef/F6CNM, Pierre/F8DHM and Nicolas/
F8FKD. The Belgian operators mentioned are Robert/ON4LRG,
Luc/ON4LUC, Nicolas/ON4VK, Janny/ON5PO, Paul/ON6DP, Pierre/ON7PC
and Eric/ON7RN. The team plans to be active during the RSGB
IOTA Contest (July 30-31st) from St. Nicolas Island (DIFM
AT-010, FFF-200 [new one for the World Fauna and Flora Award]).
After the contest, the team will split into two groups and
activate a few different reference numbers for the DFCF, DIFM
and ARLHS awards. While one group continues to operate from St.
Nicolas Island, the second group will move to the following
islands within the Glenan Island chain: Bananec Island (DIFM
AT-064), Cigogne Island (DFCF 29-004, DIFM AT-061) and Penfret
Island (DIFM AT-059, ARLHS FRA-047). QSL via ON6DP, by the
Bureau, LoTW or e-QSL. More details and a log search are
available on the QRZ.com.

EU-110. Operators Gus/IK4RQJ, Sergio/IZ4BBF, Luca/IK3AES and Alex/
9A8AMS/IZ4AMS will be active as 9A/homecall and 9A8AMS from
Sveti Nikola (ACIA IC-016, IOCA CI-118, MIA MC-414, ARLHS
CRO-164, CLH-153, WLOTA 3152) between May 7-15th. Alex, 9A8AMS,
will focus on 160/80/6 meters using all modes while the
others operators will be active on 40-10 meters using all
modes. QSL via their home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.
QSL 9A8AMS via the address on QRZ.com.

OC-195. (Op Postponed!) The late March operation to Deal Island as
VK7DI had to be postponed due to high seas (which caused some
delays and some of the crew had work commitments looming making
the time line too tight to attempt to continue the expedition).

ISWL CELEBRATES 65! (Special Event) The International Short Wave League
(ISWL) is celebrating its 65th anniversary in 2011. Look for the following

special event stations to be on the air:
GB65ISWL - Will be on the air for the weekend of April 16-17th. Activity
will start around 1800 hours on Friday, April 15th. Modes will
be SSB and the PSK modes. Main operator will be Herbie, G6XOU.

PC65ISWL - Fred, PA0FAW, will operate as PC65ISWL between May 1-28th.
Activity will be mainly on the Digital modes and CW, with
some SSB from his home QTH, but most SSB will be from
WFF-PA-005. Fred will apply for a new EPC-number for this
callsign.

QSL information for both callsigns will be on QRZ.com. All ISWL QSL
info is available on <www.iswl.org.uk> or <www.qrz.com> or via
<www.eQSL.cc>.

JD1, OGASAWARA (Update). Operators Makoto/JI5RPT (JD1BLY), Harry/JG7PSJ
(JD1BMH) and Masaru/JE4SMQ (JD1BMT) are scheduled once again to be active
from Chichijima Island (AS-031), Ogasawara, between April 30th and May
13th. Look for the operators during the following dates:
JD1BLY: April 30th to May 7th
JD1BMT: April 30th to May 4th
JD1BMH: May 4-13th
Activity will be on 160-6 meters and the Satellites, using CW, SSB and
the Digital modes. No 6m EME. QSL via their home callsigns. Check QRZ.com
for QSL info. A logsearch will be available on the operators' Web site:
JD1BLY: http://www.ji5rpt.com/jd1/
JD1BMH: http://sapphire.es.tohoku.ac.jp/jd1bmh/
JD1BMT: http://homepage3.nifty.com/maaberu/logsjd1/logsearch.html
They also will use Twitter to inform stations of their real time
activities at: JD1BLY: http://twitter.com/jd1bly
JD1BMH: http://twitter.com/jd1bmh

JW, SVALBARD. Morten, LA9DFA, will be active as JW9DFA from Spitsbergen
(EU-026) between September 14-19th. Activity will be on the HF bands and
possibly 6 meters using mainly CW with some SSB and RTTY. He also plans
to be active during the Scandinavian Activity CW Contest (September
17-18th) as JW3C. QSL both callsigns via LA9DFA.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (April 4-10th)....
Apr 04 AN SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS
Apr 05 AN --------------------
Apr 06 AN BN - Below Normal
Apr 07 AN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Apr 08 AN LN - Low Normal
Apr 09 AN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Apr 10 AN DIS - Disturbed
VDIS - Very Disturbed

GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less

UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

KH7, HAWAII. Mike, KH6ND, will be active as KH7X from Radio Pupukea (KH6YY) during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 28-29th) as a Single-Op/ All-Band entry. QSL via K2PF.

KP4, PUERTO RICO (Special Event). To commemorate the 50th anniversary of the First Man in Space (Russian pilot Yuri Gagarin who in April 12, 1961, was the first human being to go into space on an 108 minute flight), and the first flight of the Space Shuttle Columbia (Sunday morning on April 12th, 1981, known as mission STS-1, opening what is called the Shuttle era), look for special event station, N4S, to be on the air in remembrance of these two events: One which changed the course of history, and the other helped expand our knowledge of the space sciences and in the construction of the International Space Station (ISS). The special event will be active on the HF bands, 80-10 meters on SSB. The KP4IA-R (145.370 MHz) and the simplex frequency 147.480 MHz will be used for local contacts in Puerto Rico. A special electronic certificate will be issued for this occasion. For information go to <www.qrz.com/db/wp3gw> or write to wp3gw@arrl.net . They also want to remind everyone that the Arissat-1 satellite inside the ISS will be activated that same day and will send voice messages and Slow Scan TV images, plus CW and data from the new PSK1000 mode on the frequency 145.950 MHz. For more info go to <www.amsat.org> and <www.arisat1.org>.

P2, PAPUA NEW GUINEA. The "DX-World.Net" reports that Tim, KD5SSF, is now in Ukarumpa, PNG, as an American volunteering for a of couple years as an electronics technician with a translation and literacy organization. Tim has a license to operate as P29ZL and is currently getting his station set up. He mentions, "I work Monday through Friday, so my Amateur Radio activity will be restricted to evenings and Saturday/Sunday. My wife and I have other interests, so we do not spend all our spare time on the radio. My modes will be PSK31 and SSB. My radio is capable of maximum power of 100 W. I am just now getting my antennas up. I will be operating using inverted V antennas. I will be here for a while, so I am not hurrying about setting things up. I plan to try out a makeshift 20m antenna later today, and eventually put up a multi-band with 10, 15, 20, and 40 m." Going through the DXCluster spots, no QSNs have been reported yet on Tim.

PP0T, TRINDADE ISLAND. Members of the Cantareira DX Group are in the planning stages of a DXpedition to Trindade Island (SA-010) sometime this year. Specific dates have not been mentioned, but the callsign PP0T has been announced. Junior, PY2ZA, states on QRZ.com, "I'm looking for sponsors to help the DXpedition. There is the possibility of a long period of activity. We also need equipment for installation of a beacon on the island." He also mentions that if they don't find sponsors, there will not be a DXpedition. Trindade Island is ranked number 53 on the "DX Magazine's 2010 Most Wanted List". If interested in sponsoring this DXpedition, please contact Junior, PY2ZA, at: py2za@ig.com.br

For updates, watch: http://www.cantareiradx.org

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated April 3rd)

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3V1A via YT1AD HB0/SP7VC via SP7VC PV7M via PT7ZT
3Z100MSC via SP8AQA HG200LST via HA5GY PX2V via PY2KJ
4J0LH via 4J5T II5P via IZ5ICH PY5/SP7ASZ via SP7ASZ
5F6SIA via G5XW IO4C via IZ4DPV R1961G via RV3LZ
5M2TT via I2YSB IQ1RY via IK1HXN RG50D via UA3FA
5P3A via OZ3ABE IR3Y via IZ3EOU RG50K via RW4HB
5W1SA via JH7OHF IR4C via IZ4NIC SI3A via SM3LIV
5X1VJ via UV5EVJ IR4X via I4EAT SN2B via SP2PI
7S0X via SM0MDG J45PO via ON4PO SN3S via SQ3LVO
A6/DL9WVM via DL9WVM JW/F8DVD via F8DVD SO1TH via DF6TH
A61K via EA7FTR KP2TM via AI4U SO100MSC via SP2FAP
A71BX via EA7FTR LT1F via EA5KB SV0XCC/9 via LZ1YE
CA3KHZ via EA5KB LZ1802PLO via LZ1KZA SZ3P via SV3DCX
CD5546 via EA7AQL (eQSL) MW5A via G3TXF TC3C via TA3HM
CE4CT via EA5KB OG0Z via W0MM TL8CG via IK1APO
CR3A via CS3MAD OH10X via OH2BH UP2L via UA9AB
EA6/DL5NUA via DL5NUA OK6Y via OK2PTZ UP9L via RW6HS (direct
only)
ED2C via EA2RCF OK7Y via OK1FDY US1I via RV3DHC
ED2T via EA2ASY OL4A via OK1DSX XU7ACY via W2EN
(direct/preferred)
ED5K via EA5RKB OL8W via OK2BGW XV2W via W6NWS
ED5RC via EA5RC OL2011VP via OK1DRQ YI9NS via W3HNK
EE3EA via EA3HIF OM5M via OM2RA YM7KA via TA7KA
EE3T via EA3DTD OT5A via ON7LR YP7P via YO7LFV
EE5F via EA5GI OU5A via YT2T YT8A via YU1EA
EF2F via EA2DNR P29VCX via SM6CVX YU5R via YU1ARC
EF7V via EA7HHV PA/F8FFV via F8FFV ZP9EH via K5WW
EI4VXX via UA1OMX PI4W via PA8F ZW4O via PY4OG
EI7M via EI6HB PR5B via PY2BW ZW5B via K3IRV
EO3Q via UR3QCW PT5O via PP5KR ZW8T via PS8HF
EW6GF via DL8KAC PT6TS via PY6KY ZX5ZZ via PY5PDC
FR/F5PLC via F5PLC PV2P via PY2DY

KP1 LOGS NOW AVAILABLE. Jun, OE1ZKC/JH4RHF/KH2S, one of the members of
the 1993 Navassa DXpedition team, reported this past week that he
believes he now has all of the logs of the 1993 Navassa DXpedition
in hand. He is now ready to confirm any of the QSOs made by Navassa 93.
If you still need to confirm QSOs with Navassa 93 DXpedition, namely
W6IJU/KP1, NF6S/KP1, KH2S/KP1, KH2W/KP1 and KH2Y/KP1, by paper QSL,
kindly send him your QSL (or QSO data) with SASE to his OE address
(OE1ZKC address in QRZ.com) or at: Jun Tanaka, Box 1200, Vienna,
A-1400 Austria. Meanwhile, Jun will try to put all of the log data into
an electric format and upload to LoTW. He will also circulate the set

of electric log data to all of the team members and they will also be able to confirm their contacts if they want.

NO8DX/20 QSL STATUS. The QSL cards for the special event are now being sent out. However, it hard to believe that there are still individuals who do not send SASE (Where is the Elmering for these people?). Sad to say, these QSLs will be moved to the back of the pack and mailed after all others. A special thanks to those who sent a little extra, those who did not send postage will still receive their cards in the mail.

SU1SK QSL CARDS. Hawk, SM5AQD, informs OPDX reader, "I am Said's QSL Manager. I only COLLECT his QSL cards and further the QSL information to Said via the InterNet. I have NO LOGS and NO QSL cards. Said himself is sending out QSL cards from Cairo, Egypt, after receiving my information. I do this service only because Said is a very old and nice friend, on the other hand it gives you a chance to get a QSL card from SU land. I am very sorry but a QSL card via bureau is impossible to arrange for me and him. Please follow my information on QRZ.com .. ...GD DX 73 / Hawk SM5AQD"

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 6W7SK, 8P5A, 9K2HN, A45XR, CR3A, DL1TS, EA1DLU, EA1DR, EA8CN, EW7KF, EW8A, F6HKA, F8BJI, F8CMF, FY5LH, HH4/AF4Z, HH4/K4QD, HH8/N3BNA, HI8LAM, HQ2GL, HQ2W, KH2L, OE3GCU, OM4DW, OQ5M, OX3XR, P49A, PJ2/W5FKX, PV8ADI, RU3EQ, SP3DOI, T77C, TF4M, UA6GP, V4/K5MV, V44KA, V55DLH, VK4CMVI, VP2E, VP2MXF, VP5/VE3OP, VK4MA, XE2WWW, XE83IARU, YV1DIG, ZF2LC and ZL1BYZ

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 4S7KKG, 5H3EE, 5R8X, 9Q50ON, A25DF, A35KL, A45XR, BV100, C31CT, C6AVD, CE1/K7CA, CR2X, EA1DR, F6HKA, FG/DL1CW, FJ/SM5FUG, HA3NU, HH4/K4QD, LY100SP, LY50A, NP2Q, OE3GCU, OH2BH, OH0B/OH0X, OJ0B, OY1CT, PA1CC, PJ4G, SP3DOI, T77C, TG9AHM, TT8DX, V44KA, VP9/W6PH, YJ0HA, YL3FX, YN7SU, YV5MSG, Z29KM, Z37M, ZD9T, ZL1BYZ and ZL8X

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: NONE REPORTED THIS WEEK!

S7, SEYCHELLES. Operators Norbert/F6AXX, Romain/F8DSI and Bernard/F5HEW, active as S79UFT from Mahe, Seychelles Islands (AF-024), will continue to be on the air until April 15th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW and some PSK. Suggested CW frequencies are: 3524, 7013, 10115, 14025, 18083, 21025, 24903 and 28025 kHz. PSK will be on the usual PSK frequencies. QSL via F6AXX, direct (QRZ.com) or by the French REF-Union Bureau. An online log is now available at: http://www.uft.net/1-s79/searchlog_adif.php

SV5, DODECANESE (Correction). John, N5ER, will be active as SV5/N5ER between May 15-20th, 2012 (not this year as reported). Activity will be holiday style, mainly on the lower bands in the evening and early mornings. Also, 20 meters and lower will be CW only. QSL via N5ER.

T31, CENTRAL KIRIBATI (Update). An international team will activate T31A from Kanton Island (OC-043) between April 17-28th. See OPDX.994 for more details. The latest update states, "Three team members will arrive in Apia

on April 6th, to inspect the equipment shipped from California and operate from 5W as time allows. The team will leave Apia on April 13th, and sail approximately 4 days. Upon arrival at Kanton, we'll set up 2 sites and begin operation. We plan 11-12 days of operation. We'll depart Kanton and arrive back in Apia on May 2nd." The T31A Web page is available at: http://www.T31A.com

T8, PALAU. Operators Masumi/JA3AVO (T88MB), Hiro/JH3PBL (T88MP) and Shota/W7AED (T88SR) will be active from Palau (OC-009) between July 20-24th. Their activity of bands and modes were not provided. QSL T88MB and T88SR via LoTW or direct to JA3AVO. QSL T88MP via JH3PBL.

TC2, TURKEY (Special Event). Members of the Turkish group called TCSWAT (Special Wireless Activity Team), in collaboration with the Giresun Radio Amateurs and Nature Sports Club (GITRAD) and the TRAC Giresun Branch, will be operating as TC2J, between April 7-10th, to commemorate the 5th anniversary of S. Fazil Turkan, TA2J (1950-2006), becoming SK. He was noted as a knowledgeable/experienced elmer and a keen CW operator (see TC2J on QRZ.com for more info). Activity will be on HF/VHF/UHF bands with an award to be available at the end. An award will be issued to those who contact this station in a minimum of three different bands or modes. The award will be issued in PDF format in electronic medium. Please send your log extract, together with your E-mail address to ta1hz@tcswat.org if you are eligible (no need to send in any IRC or GSs). Award info is available at: http://www.tcswat.org/awards/TA2J_2011/index.html

TO8, MARTINIQUE. Valeriy, R5GA/KM8W, will be active as TO8A from Martinique (NA-107) during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. He will be operating from the QTH of Laurent, FM5BH.

V3, BELIZE (He is Back!). Your editor received an E-mail from a long time friend Joe, K8JP, who he has not heard from in 3 years. Joe informs OPDX, "I am finally getting back on the air after 3 years of QRT. I lost my house down here to a fire and everything in it. Then 3 weeks later, someone broke into my house in Indiana and cleaned me out. Fortunately, good friends in the FOC helped me, and I now have an IC-765 down here in Belize and an OMNI 6 in Texas at my daughter's place when I go up there to go to the VA hospital in Shreveport, LA, for medical check ups and treatments. So, I am active on 80 through 10 meters now, mainly CW, with this modest station." Joe states that he is only using 100 watts and dipoles at 30 feet/10 meters, but he is only 100 meters from the sea and that helps. He mentions, "My biggest handicap now is a bad noise on the lower bands, but I am working on a cure for the noise." QSL via KA9WON. Searching the DXCluster, Joe has been active on 30/20/17/12 meters CW. ADDED NOTE: Joe states that he will not be able to make Dayton this year, but he will try and make next year. (ed. Good to have you back Joe!)

V6, MICRONESIA. Operators Sho/JA7HMZ (V63DX), Takao/JA7AGO (V63GO) and Akio/JA7ZP (V63ZP) will be active from Pohnpei Island (OC-010) between May 22-28th. Activity will be on all bands and modes. QSL via their home callsigns. LATEST MINUTE UPDATE: DXpedition is cancelled. No reason given.

VU4, ANDAMAN ISLANDS (Update). Members of the Amateur Radio Society of India (ARSI) active as VU4PB from Port Blair went QRT at 1829z on March 31st. The team was expected to return to the mainland on April 2nd. Their last press release states, "As earlier reported we have had several instances of pirate operators masquerading as VU4PB which has spoilt the fun for numerous DXers, a real pity and one is not sure what joy it brings to those 'radio amateurs' who indulge in such activities." Remember to QSL via W3HNK. The VU4PB does have an "Online QSL Request System" (OQRS) available at: http://arsi.info/dxpeditions/vu4pb-mar-2011/oqrs-vu4pb Any QSL cards received via any IARU recognized QSL Bureau will be answered in due course of time. An online log search is available at: http://arsi.info/dxpeditions/vu4pb-mar-2011/log-search For more details and updates, visit the VU4PB Web apge at: http://arsi.info/dxpeditions/vu4pb-mar-2011

XV9, VIETNAM. Ken, JA2LLK, will be active as XV9LL from the Hotel Nikko in Hanoi starting at the end of April. Specific dates and length of stay were not provided. Activity will be on the HF bands. QSL via his home callsign.

YN, NICARAGUA. Operators Bob/N5ET (YN2ET), Keith/NM5G (YN2MG) and Eddy/ K5WQG (YN2ER) will be active as YN2ET during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 28-29th) as a Multi-Single entry. Look for activity by the operators outside of the contest. QSL all callsigns via N5ET. QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW after the operation is finished.

ZA, ALBANIA. Franck, F4DTO, will once again be active as ZA/F4DTO from Elbasan between now and April 16th. Activity will be mostly SSB on 40-10 meters. He will use 100 watts into monoband antennas. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the REF Bureau. Visit Franck's Web page at: http://monsite.orange.fr/f4dto

ZD8, ASCENSION ISLAND. Mike, M0PRL, who was recently active from Rothera Station in the Antarctica as VP8DMH, is expected to be active this week as ZD8PRL from Garden Cottage on Ascension Island for about a week before heading back to the UK. QSL ZD8PRL via M0PRL. For updates, watch Mike's Twitter page at: http://twitter.com/#!/VP8DMH

ZS8, MARION ISLAND (Update). Pierre, ZS1HF/ZS8M, reports in his latest and final newletter from Marion Island: "Sadly, the 'ZS8M Dxpedition' has come to an end and we are now busy packing our belongings into containers. Sadly I was not able to work everyone, simply being restricted to a dipole (which worked extremely well), weak propagation conditions and restricted operating hours. Sadly as well, I was not able to test my SteppIR vertical due to the construction that took place, as well as the severe RFI in the new base. Will I return? I am not sure, but I will be keeping this callsign just in case I do get the chance again. I would be keen to do a trip to Gough Island, but it would be better if Louise could spend the year there with me. We need to discus this prospect. Who knows?" He also mentions, "Our supply ship, SA Agulhas, will be arriving on 11 April with the new team and... yes, there are two hams on the new team.... sadly they are NOT active. The new base will have a state of the art commercial Icom HF communications system which I specified and installed. The antenna system

is a professional broadband dipole with very good specifications, so whoever operates from here in the future will be able to operate with ease." His complete newsletter (with pictures) can be found online at: http://www.iz8epy.it/html/zs8m.html

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)

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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW

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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=help>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html

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356. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2011-008E - Development of A Canadian Field Organization

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-03 23:44:08 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4D9905DA.9050104@rac.ca>
Source record: 4646
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2011-008E - Development of A Canadian Field Organization
2011-04-03

Winnipeg, Manitoba
April 2, 2011

In RAC Bulletin 2010-032 - Vision Statement 2010-11-14, RAC committed itself to the "education and elmering of new Hams", and supporting "the training and coaching of RAC volunteers to achieve exemplary results, at the municipal, provincial and national levels." The new RAC Field Training program is the recognized tool leveraged by our ARES groups.

On December 9, 2010, Vice President Field Services with the support of the Section Managers formed a "Vice President Field Services Council". The Council made the commitment to develop a Canadian "Field Organization". A major part of the new Field Organization will be the existing Field Service, which is key to providing services to the public and the Amateur Radio community. It will also incorporate new functions to better represent our interests to governments at the provincial and municipal levels, provide a strengthened public relations capability, expand the Affiliated Club program with a view to improving the input of Canadian Amateurs with respect to RAC policy development, and bring focus to promoting technical developments. On 24 March, 2011 the RAC Board unanimously approved implementation.

It is envisaged that each Section will form a similar council to oversee development of the Field Organization concept, taking into consideration its unique relationship with provincial governments, geography, relationships with existing regional associations, and the requirements of the individual clubs.

At its second meeting held on 13 January, 2011, the Council approved in principle an ARES Training Management System with the following six objectives:

1- Create a just-in-time training programme that delivers task-related skills and knowledge needed by the radio operator or team leader on the first day in a new assignment;

2- Develop the radio operator's abilities through a structured programme of practical training under the supervision of a mentor;

3- Standardize qualifications through a family of control documents
that identify job tasks, skills and knowledge, to specified standards,
and supplies trainers with prepared course materials;

4 - Promote ARES and NTS interoperability with emergency management
authorities by embracing the Incident Management/Command System
philosophy and exploiting provincially approved IMS/ICS courseware and
certifications whenever possible;

5 - Institute training quality control and continuous improvement
mechanisms; and,

6- Incorporate a professional development approach designed to groom
the leaders of tomorrow.

The Council, through a working group, is developing an updated mission
statement for the ARES. A second working group under the chair of the
Ontario Section Manager has begun development of a "Specification",
the foundation document in a training management system. While the
focus is initially on modernizing the ARES in order to stay in step
with rapidly developing national and provincial emergency management
initiatives, ultimately this document will be expanded to include all
roles within the RAC Field Organization.

The President and Vice President of Field Services extend an open
invitation to all Amateurs with expertise in any aspect of developing
the Field Organization to make contact with their Section Manager.
Contact information can be found at
http://rac.ca/en/rac/public-service/section-managers/

Geoff Bawden, VE4BAW
President, Radio Amateurs of/du Canada

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For more information or to change your subscription please visit:
http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

357. Re: ATTENTION CW OPS: Did you know Morse code is obsolete and worthless?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-04 00:49:06 UTC
From: Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz>
Message-ID: <xxx-91D9E8.20490603042011@nntp.aioe.org>
Source record: 4647

What further proof do you need that Morse worshippers are cultists?
The cult of beeps. Beepists?

--
Klystron

358. Re: ATTENTION CW OPS: Did you know Morse code is obsolete and worthless?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-04 01:57:28 UTC
From: jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com
Message-ID: <85ln68-vlk.ln1@mail.specsol.com>
Source record: 4648

Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:
> What further proof do you need that Morse worshippers are cultists?
> The cult of beeps. Beepists?
>

What further proof do we need that you have an anal retentive obsession
about a FCC rule that went away years ago?

Get over it.

--
Jim Pennino

Remove .spam.sux to reply.

359. Re: ATTENTION CW OPS: Did you know Morse code is divinely-inspired??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-04 07:33:09 UTC
From: atec77 <atec77@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <inbs7o$6ga$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 4649

On 3/04/2011 11:54 PM, Kickin' Ass and Takin' Names wrote:
> http://www.themoralliberal.com/2

that's a huge plonk
10-4 ?

360. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 21 - 27 March 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-04 20:27:52 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20110404202700.A781C33C6C@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4650
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.info

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:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2011 Mar 29 1817 UTC
# Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
# http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
21 - 27 March 2011

Solar activity ranged from very low to moderate levels. Region 1176
(S16, L=199, class/area Fki/420 on 26 March) rotated onto the
visible disk on 21 March, and produced a long duration C4 flare. Low
levels of activity continued through the 22nd. Activity increased to
moderate levels from 23-25 March as Region 1176 produced one M1
flare each day (23/0217Z, 24/1207Z, 25/2322Z). Partial halo CMEs
associated with the M1 flares on the 24th and 25th were observed.
The first had an estimated plane-of-sky speed of 421 km/s; the
second was accompanied by Type II (673 km/s), Type IV, and 10.7 cm
(170 sfu) radio emissions. A fast (approx. 850 km/s), asymmetric,
partial halo CME was observed on 26 March was attributed to Region
1180 (N25, L=162, class/area Hsx/070 on 26 March), but was not
expected to be potentially geoeffoective. Only the CME from the 24th
was expected to have geoeffective potential. Of the four remaining
active regions, Region 1178 (S15, L=172, class/area Dai/130) was the
largest.

The greater than 10 MeV proton flux at geosynchronous orbit rose
above 10 pfu on 21 March at 1950Z and reached a maximum of 14 pfu on
22 March at 0130Z and ended that day at 0335Z. The most likely
source of the event was a flare and back-sided CME.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
normal levels throughout the period.

The geomagnetic field was quiet for the majority of the period,
except for a few instances of unsettled conditions on 24 March due
to Coronal Hole (CH) high speed stream (HSS) effects.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
30 March - 25 April 2011

Solar activity is forecast to be low for the period with C-class
flares expected and a chance for M-class flares exists based on the
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size and magnetic complexity of Regions 1176 and 1183 (N15, L= 136, class/area Eai/250 on 28 March). Region 1176 is expected to remain on the disk through 05 April and Region 1183 will rotate off the west limb on 09 April, if it does not decay prior. Old Region 1169 which is anticipated to return on 31 March produced an M4.2/1N flare during the last rotation. Imagery from STEREO-B spacecraft as well as brightening on the east limb on GOES 15 SXI and NASA SDO AIA 193 suggest that the region may remain prominent this rotation as well.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to reach high levels on 01-02 April.

Geomagnetic activity is expected to range from quiet to unsettled levels. Unsettled levels are expected 30 - 31 March, 07 - 09 April, and 18 - 19 April, with a slight chance for an isolated active to minor storm period at high latitudes due to anticipated recurrent coronal holes. Predominantly quiet levels are expected for the remainder of the period.

361. Re: ATTENTION CW OPS: Did you know Morse code is obsolete and worthless?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-04 20:55:51 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <468b4a97-49dd-4ce1-847c-d369474c3e67@m13g2000yqb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4651

On Apr 3, 9:57 pm, j...@specsol.spam.sux.com wrote:
> Klystron <x...@yyy.zzz> wrote:
> > What further proof do you need that Morse worshippers are cultists?
> > The cult of beeps. Beepists?
>
> What further proof do we need that you have an anal retentive obsession
> about a FCC rule that went away years ago?

none required here but it was decent trol
>
> Get over it.
>
> --
> Jim Pennino
>
> Remove .spam.sux to reply.

362. Re: get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-06 00:38:03 UTC
From: "tholen@antispam.ham" <tholen@ifa.hawaii.edu>
Message-ID: <26d2f19c-b8d1-439e-b6e7-0d71208dc3a4@a11g2000pro.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4652
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.shortwave

kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com> writes:

226> Newsgroups:
rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.shortwave

226> Message-ID: <ceb707aa-f2ff-4efd-b2d6-
ebc095b6b7aa@1g2000yqq.googlegroups.com>

What does your empty response have to do with OS/2, kb9rqz?

363. Re: get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-06 00:39:41 UTC
From: "tholen@antispam.ham" <tholen@ifa.hawaii.edu>
Message-ID: <2cdffdb6-8e7f-47d4-bc17-1e09214732ab@j9g2000prj.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4653
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.shortwave

dave <dave@dave.dave> writes:

3> Newsgroups:
rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.shortwave

3> Thanks for reminding me.

What does that have to do with OS/2, dave?

364. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 28 March - 03 April 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-06 01:30:06 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20110406013002.5B3E033C6C@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4654
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.info

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:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2011 Apr 05 2218 UTC
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# http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
#
# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
#
Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
28 March - 03 April 2011

Solar activity ranged from very low to low levels throughout the
period. C-class events were observed every day except for 02 April.
Region 1181 (S26, L=157, class/area Hsx/20 on 27 March) produced a
C1/Sf flare at 27/2326Z and Region 1178 (S15, L=172, class/area
Dai/130 on 26 March) produced a C1/Sf flare at 31/2221Z with an
associated partial halo CME that appeared to be directed southward
below the ecliptic plane. Region 1183 (N15, L=135, class/area
Eai/330 on 30 March) rotated on the disk on 27 March and contributed
four C-class events, the largest a C1 at 30/2005Z. No X-ray sensor
data was available at 27/0600Z when a CME was observed in LASCO C2
and C3 imagery. However, the CME was attributed to Region 1183 based
on limited GOES 15 SXI imagery. Type II (651 km/s S.V.) and Type IV
radio signatures were observed at 27/0511 associated with this
event. Region 1176 (S15, L=196, class/area Eko/490 on 23 March)
produced four C-class events and four CMEs during the period. The
only CME that is potentially geoeffective was associated with a
B8/Sf flare observed at 02/2347Z. At 03/0024Z, GOES-15 SXI imagery
detected material movement from the SW limb that was later observed
in SEREO-B COR2 imagery at 03/0109Z and STEREO-A COR2 imagery at
03/0409Z. Using this imagery, a plane-of-sky speed of approximately
650 km/s was assigned. This CME appeared to be directed southward
out of the ecliptic plane but it was a very large event and has the
potential to cause enhanced activity at Earth.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
moderate levels from 28 - 29 March and then decreased to normal
levels from 30 March - 01 April. An increase to moderate levels was
observed on 02 April and high levels were observed on 03 April. The
1000 pfu threshold was reached at 03/0735Z.
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Geomagnetic field activity ranged from quiet to major storm levels throughout the period. Quiet conditions prevailed from 28 March through midday on 01 April. A weak geomagnetic Sudden Impulse (SI) was observed at 29/1604Z (8 nT as measured at the Boulder magnetometer). The SI likely represented the passage of a halo CME observed on 24 March. ACE solar wind data indicated increased velocities (313 to 398 km/s), as well as increases in density of (2 to 26 p/cc) and the total field (Bt 5 to 9 nT). Interplanetary Magnetic Field (IMF) Bz remained mostly northward following the passage. By midday on 01 April, ACE solar wind observations indicated the onset of a coronal hole high speed stream (CH HSS) at approximately 01/1600Z. Velocities steadily increased from about 360 km/s to a peak of 665 km/s at 02/2128Z. IMF changes associated with the CH HSS included increased Bt (peaks to 12 nT from 01/2000 - 2100Z) and intervals of southward Bz (maximum deflection of -10 nT at 01/1628Z). The geomagnetic field responded with periods of unsettled to active levels, including an isolated minor storm period observed at high latitudes at 01/1500Z. These conditions persisted through 03 April with an isolated major storm period observed at high latitudes at 02/1200Z and another isolated minor storm at high latitudes at 03/1200Z.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
06 April - 02 May 2011

Solar activity is expected to be very low to low for the majority of the period. A chance for M-class activity exists from 17 - 30 April due to the return of Region 1176.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at high levels from 06 - 07 April and then return to normal to moderate levels for the remainder of the period.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be quiet to unsettled from 07 - 08 April due to the effects of a recurrent CH HSS becoming geoeffective. Quiet conditions are expected from 09 - 16 April. A second CH HSS is expected to be geoeffective from 17 - 19 April bringing with it quiet to unsettled conditions. Mostly quiet conditions are expected from 20 - 27 April. Unsettled to active conditions with a chance for isolated minor storm periods at high latitudes are expected due to a third CH HSS that is expected to become geoeffective on 28 April. A return to quiet conditions is anticipated on 02 May as the effects from the CH HSS wane.

365. Re: get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-06 22:27:50 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <1cfffca8-1e3e-4d53-8dbb-9fcc457da227@d19g2000yql.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4655
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.shortwave

On Apr 5, 8:38 pm, "tho...@antispam.ham" <tho...@ifa.hawaii.edu>
wrote:
> kb9rqz <m...@kb9rqz.com> writes:
>
> 226> Newsgroups:
> rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.shortwave
>
> 226> Message-ID: <ceb707aa-f2ff-4efd-b2d6-
> ebc095b6b...@1g2000yqq.googlegroups.com>
>
> What does your empty response have to do with OS/2, kb9rqz?

nothing what does q have to do with any kind of radio?

366. [DXNL] DXNL 1722 (Apr 6, 2011)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-07 04:55:46 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <96401059583.20110407065045@gmx.de>
Source record: 4656
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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FM - MARTINIQUE, NA-107
Olivier,FM/F6ARC, will show up from Martinique (NA-107) working in CW on 160m-30m from Apr 6-21. Please send your QSLs either via REF bureau or direct to his homecall.
For more information check his website at: http://www.dxbeam.com

FR - REUNION, AF-016
Olivier,F4FLF, will use the callsign TO2Z from Reunion (AF-016) from Apr 9-22. He works in "holiday style" and wants to try to be on air every night in SSB, PSK and RTTY. QSL via his homecall.

KH8 - AMERICAN SAMOA, OC-045
Rick,AI5P/KH8, will be QRV "holiday style" from Tutuila Island (OC-045) from Apr 8-18. QSL via the W5 bureau or direct to his homecall.

LG5/SJ9 - MOROKULIEN
Hugo,PA2HW, Robert,PA2RDK, Frank,PA3CNO, Paul,PA3DFR, and Gert,PE0MGB, will activate Morokulien as LG5LG and SJ9WL (changing day by day) in CW, SSB and digital modes on 160m-6m from Apr 10-16. If you work both calls on at least two bands you can qualify for a special award.
QSL via bureau or direct to LA4EKA.

P2 - PAPUA NEW GUINEA, OC-034
Tim,KD5SSF, is an aid worker and will stay in Ukarumpa for the next years. He plans to work as P29ZL in PSK31 and SSB mostly at the weekends and in his evenings. He has 100 watts and Inverted V antennas for 10m, 15m, 20m and 40m.
His QSL address is Tim Linn, Box 1, Ukarumpa, EH 444, Papua New Guinea.

SV/A - MOUNT ATHOS
Rick,NE8Z, has obtained a pilgrim visa for Mount Athos and wants to visit Monk Apollo, SV2ASP/A, from Apr 9-16. Rick calls his trip the "Monk Apollo Project". He wants to donate some equipment which helps

to improve the portable stations with the intention to produce better signals in Asia. This direction is affected negatively by a mountain range. It is not known if Rick is allowed to become active himself.

XV - VIETNAM
Mal,VK6LC, will stay in Vietnam from Apr 10-25. He plans to show up as XV2LC from Ho Chi Minh City from Apr 10-15 and later as XV4LC in the Mekong Delta from Apr 20-25. Mal works in SSB and CW on 20m and confirms QSLs only direct via his homecall VK6LC.

ZD8 - ASCENSION ISLAND, AF-003
Mike,M0PRL, who was active as VP8DMH from the Antarctic base "Rothera" during the past 18 months will arrive on Ascension Island (AF-003) in the next few days. He will show up as ZD8PRL in SSB from the Garden Cottage Lounge on the 700m high Green Mountain for one week.
QSLs cards for ZD8PRL should be sent via bureau or direct to M0PRL.

ITALY, SPECIAL EVENT STATION
The special event station II1ECO is activated from Casale Monferrato at the weekends between Apr 2 and May 15. This is the place of the upcoming "Ecolimpiadi" with the motto "Sport wants to be green" (see http://www.ecolimpiadi.it/IndexEng.php) on May 14/15.
QSL via bureau or direct to IZ1KIM.

KAZAKHSTAN, SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS
50 years of manned spaceflight is the 50th anniversary of the first flight of Yuri Gagarin. Besides of other events (contest, awards, etc) there will be two special event stations active from the cosmodrome in Baikonur. R50YG (Yuri Gagarin) and R50SK (Sergej Korolev) will be QRV from Apr 6-14. Both stations will take part in the "Gagarin Cup 2011" contest and count as an additional multiplier in this contest. Furthermore there will be also the special callsign R50KEDR (KEDR was the callsign of Yuri Gagarin during his flight) activated from the launch site of Yuri Gagarin on Apr 12 from 0507 until 0655 UTC. This is the same time like the 108 minutes of Gagarin's first flight.

PUERTO RICO, SPECIAL EVENT STATION
50 years ago (on Apr 12, 1961) Yuri Gagarin was the first man to fly into space and 30 years ago (on Apr 12, 1981) the maiden flight of the space shuttle Columbia took place. The special event callsign N4S in Puerto Rico remembers both historic dates of mankind. They are working in SSB on 80m-10m and in PSK1000 on 145.950 MHz. QSL via WP3GW.

TURKEY, SPECIAL EVENT STATION
The memorial station TC2J remembers Fazyl Turkan (TA2J, 1950-2006) from Apr 7-10. Fazyl passed away five years ago and has made outstanding contributions to amateur radio in Turkey. QSL via YM7KK, via bureau or direct. More information about the free award can be found at QRZ.com when you search for TC2J.

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at: http://www.sotawatch.org

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Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de
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Phil,FO8RZ, has uploaded a report about his mini DXpedition to
Nuku Hiva belonging to the Marquesas (OC-027) to:
http://f5phw.hamlogs.net/articles.php?lng=en&pg=455

Pierre,ZS1HF/ZS8M, went QRT on Marion Island finally. His last
newsletter can be found at: http://www.iz8epy.it/html/zs8m.html

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Apr 6: BUG Party
Apr 9: European Sprint Contest
Apr 10: UBA Spring Contest
Apr 9/10: Japan International DX Contest
Apr 9/10: DIG QSO Party
Apr 9/10: Yuri Gagarin International DX Contest
see: http://gc.qst.ru/en/section/32

IOTA collected by Fredy,DE0MST (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
EU-026, JW, Svalbard: Frank,LA1RSA, will sign JW1RSA from the clubstation
JW5E in Longyearbyen from Apr 9-15. QSL via LA1RSA.

EU-069, EA5, Columbretes Islands: A team of Spanish HAMs will be QRV as
EG5CI from Columbretes Island (DIE E-205, ARLHS SPA-180) from Apr 7-10.
QSL via EA5EOR (bureau/direct).

EU-079, LA, More og Romsdal County South Group: Bjorn,LA5UKA, and
Trond,LA9VDA, will show up as LA6Q QRV in CW, SSB and RTTY on 80m-10m
from Apr 8-11. QSL via LA9VDA.

NA-184, W6, CA State North Group: Rick,K6VVA, plans an activity as K6VVA/6
from St. George Reef on Apr 8/9. QSL via N6AWD (bureau/direct).
See also: http://www.k6vva.com/iota/na184

Lighthouse activities (WLOTA/ARLHS/ILLW)

K6VVA/6 G 4418 St. George-Reef Apr 8/9

Bandspots of the last 7 days

80m
HB0/SP7VC 3.704 2018Z via SP7VC (B)

40m
EA2EA/p 7.032 1347Z SOTA NV-023
EA2EA/p 7.033 1313Z SOTA NV-080
EA2EA/p 7.032 1136Z SOTA NV-021

30m
YO4ASG/LH 10.115 0520Z LH ROM-015 (B)

20m
CT9/DL3KWR 14.003 1953Z via DL3KWR (B)
HB0/OE9HRV/p 14.310 1132Z SOTA LI-011
KH6/AI5P 14.023 0606Z via AI5P (B)
KT5X 14.060 2015Z SOTA PW-027 (d)
NE1SJ 14.062 1442Z SOTA W1/CR-013
SV5FRI 14.007 2144Z (L), (d)
W2VV/p 14.059 1908Z SOTA W2/GC-077
3B8MM 14.007 1926Z via DL6UAA (B)
4J0LH 14.022 1615Z LH AZE-006, via 4J5T

17m
DQ1175E 18.079 1236Z via DL5DCL (B)
HI3WL 18.131 2208Z via DK8OJ (B)
OY6FRA 18.074 1242Z via OY1JD (d)
P29CW 18.075 0641Z via VK2IR (d)
S79UFT 18.084 1017Z AF0-24, via F6AXX (B)
TO11A/p 18.152 2159Z NA-102, via F6HMQ (B)
VU4PB 18.145 1233Z AS-001, via W3HNK (d)

15m
A6/DL9WVM 21.028 1631Z via DL9WVM (B)
HS0ZBS 21.019 1429Z (B), eQSL
J3/PE1IGM 21.235 1941Z via PA3C (d)
NE1SJ 21.060 1544Z SOTA W1/CR-013
PJ2/DK5ON 21.260 1515Z via DK5ON (B)
VP5/W5CW 21.019 1713Z NA-002, via W5CW (d)
VU4PB 21.023 1452Z via W3HNK (d)
ZS2I 21.008 1625Z (B), (L)
3D2A 21.300 1116Z OC-016, via VK4AN (B)
7X4AN 21.003 1659Z (d)
8P9AA 21.006 1110Z via VE3DZ (B)
9J2BO 21.022 1649Z via G3TEV (B)

12m
FG5DH 24.955 1800Z (d)
SU1SK 24.914 1603Z via SM5AQD (d)
VP5/W5CW 24.896 1446Z via W5CW (d)
VU2BRI 24.950 0810Z (d)
VU2PAI 24.973 1645Z (L), (d)
VU4PB 24.930 1514Z via W3HNK (d)
3B8DB 24.905 0818Z AF-049, (d)

10m
A6/DL9WVM 28.005 1248Z via DL9WVM (B)
CX7CO 28.005 1643Z via WB3CDX (B)
J69MV 28.500 1912Z
JY4CH 28.507 1634Z (B)
LU3EHR 28.025 1725Z
LU5FB 28.522 1826Z

LU5FZ 28.024 1630Z via EA7FTR (L), eQSL
LU6UO 28.015 1716Z (B)
LW2DOD 28.452 1837Z
NH7O 28.028 0719Z (L)
PJ4/W9NJY 28.015 1954Z via WD9DZV (B)
PR7AR 28.008 1623Z
PR7AR 28.451 1842Z
PT7ZT 28.490 1712Z (B)
PU2SGL 28.458 1845Z (B)
PU2WDX 28.436 1818Z (d)
PU5ATX/QRP 28.426 1735Z (B)
PV8CQ 28.440 1811Z (L), (d)
PY2BI 28.452 1835Z via PY2AA (B)
PY2MHC 28.435 1815Z
PY7ZZ 28.480 1809Z (d)
YO4RYU/MM 28.505 1823Z via YO4RYU (B)
Z21BB 28.009 1045Z via W3HNK (d)
ZS2DK 28.497 1547Z (d)
ZS6YH 28.530 1102Z (B), eQSL
5N7M 28.003 1722Z via OM3CGN (B)

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(r) = bureau QSL via e-mail request

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

-Dec 3Y8XSA 1700/1717
09Apr 4D69DM 1720
-25Oct 5B50J 1700
31Mar-13Apr 5M2TT (EL) 1721
20Feb-14Apr 5X1NH 1715
-08Jun 5X1VJ 1721
-Apr/12 5Z4RH ? 1674
-Sep 9J2KK 1682
04Apr-18Apr 9L5MS 1720
-Apr 9M2MRS 1697
NOW 9M6/KM9D 1699
26Mar-08Apr 9N7AN 1720/1721
SOON 9Q1EK 1669
-Nov 9Q6CC 1699

-Aug A92IO 1663
08Apr-18Apr AI5P/KH8 1722 *
-31Dec BP100 1684
-31Dec BV100 1684
-01May CN2PV 1714

10Mar-06Apr CT9/DL3KWR.. 1718
-31Dec CW5RV 1711
-May D2AK 1675
-22Apr D2QR 1675
-31Aug DL20Y2DM 1700
07Apr-10Apr EG5CI 1722 *
06Apr-21Apr FM/F6ARC 1722 *
-Aug FO8RZ 1636
-Jul/12 FR8NE 1710

02Apr-07Apr GS4MWS 1721
13Jan-12Apr H44MS 1710
-31Dec HB60LU 1711
01Jan-31Dec HG200LST 1708
-30Jun HG2011A 1713
-05Jun HI3/KL7JR 1717/1721
-May HR5/F2JD 1718
01Jan-31Dec IA7MM 1708
02Apr-15May II1ECO 1722 *
01Jan-31Dec II1ITA.. 1708
01Mar-30Sep IO4UI 1717
-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul/12 J28RO 1683
09Apr-15Apr JW1RSA 1722 *
01Apr-08Apr JW/F8DVD 1721

08Apr/09Apr K6VVA/6 1722 *
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
POSTPONED KH5 1674/1705
-31Dec LA200D 1713
08Apr-11Apr LA6Q 1722 *
10Apr-16Apr LG5LG/SJ9WL 1722 *
NOW LU1ZA (S.O.) 1695
-31Dec LZ85R 1721
02Apr-09Apr M1REK/p.. 1721
12Apr N4S 1722 *
May &Aug OL100VP 1721
Jun OL1911VP 1721
Apr &Jul OL2011VP 1721
28Mar-07Apr OX/DB5MH 1721
24Mar-18Apr OX/G4MFX 1720

-Sep P29CW 1713
02Apr-27Apr P29VCX.. 1721
03Apr-16Apr P4/W1HEO 1721
01Jan-31Dec PA30.. 1708
22Mar-06Apr PJ2/K2PLF.. 1719
06Apr-15Apr R50YG & R50SK 1722 *
12Apr R50KEDR 1722 *
-Dec RI1ANC 1708
24Mar-15Apr S79UFT 1720

2010 -May2011 T6JC & T6TL 1695
07Apr-10Apr TC2J 1722 *
23Mar-17Apr TK/F8DZY 1720
28Mar-11Apr TM00CDXC 1720
09Apr-22Apr TO2Z (FR) 1722 *

-Mar/12 VK0KEV (Macq) 1700/1701
23Mar-20Apr VP5/W5CW 1720
NOW XT2RJA 1712
10Apr-15Apr XV2LC 1722 *
20Apr-55Apr XV4LC 1722 *
02Apr-16Apr ZA/F4DTO 1721
NOW ZD8PRL 1722 *
-Sep ZD9GI 1691
-31Dec ZL50GH 1711
-11Apr ZS8M 1674/1711

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

A6/DL9WVM via DL9WVM (B)
A61K via EA7FTR
A71BX via EA7FTR
BD3MH via BA4EG (B)
CA3KHZ via EA5KB (B)
CD5546 via EA7AQL (eQSL)
CE4CT via EA5KB (B)
CR3A via CS3MAD (B)
EA6/DL5NUA via DL5NUA (B)
ED2C via EA2RCF (B)
ED2T via EA2ASY
ED5K via EA5RKB (B)
ED5RC via EA5RC (B)
EE3EA via EA3HIF (B), eQSL
EE3T via EA3DTD (B)
EE5F via EA5GI (B)
EF2F via EA2DNR (B)
EF7V via EA7HHV (B), (L)
EI4VXX via UA1OMX (B)
EI7M via EI6HB (B)
EO3Q via UR3QCW (B)
EW6GF via DL8KAC (d)
FR/F5PLC via F5PLC (B)
HB0/SP7VC via SP7VC (B)
HG200LST via HA5GY (B)
II5P via IZ5ICH (B)
IO4C via IZ4DPV (B)
IQ1RY via IK1HXN
IR3Y via IZ3EOU (B), (L)

IR4C via IZ4NIC (B)
IR4X via I4EAT (L)
J45PO via ON4PO (B), (L), eQSL
JW/F8DVD via F8DVD (B)
KP2TM via AI4U (B)
L90AA via LU4AA (B)
LT1F via EA5KB (B)
LZ1802PLO via LZ1KZA (B)
LZ85R via LZ1BJ (B), (L)
MW5A via G3TXF (B)
N1Y via K1NIU (L), eQSL
OG0Z via W0MM (B), (L)
OH10X via OH2BH (B)
OK1W via OK2WM (B)
OK6Y via OK2PTZ (eQSL)
OK7Y via OK1FDY
OL2011VP via OK1DRQ (B)
OL4A via OK1DSX
OL8W via OK2BGW
OM5M via OM2RA
OT5A via ON7LR (B)
OU5A via YT2T
P29VCX via SM6CVX (B)
PA/F8FFV via F8FFV (d), eQSL
PI4W via PA8F (B), (L), eQSL
PR5B via PY2BW (B)
PT5O via PP5KR (d)
PT6TS via PY6KY (B), (L)
PV2P via PY2DY (L), (d)
PV7M via PT7ZT (B), (L)
PX2V via PY2KJ (L), (d)
PY5/SP7ASZ via SP7ASZ
R1961G via RV3LZ
RG50D via UA3FA
RG50K via RW4HB (B)
S79UFT via F6AXX (B)
SI3A via SM3LIV (B)
SN2B via SP2PI (B)
SV0XCC/9 via LZ1YE (B)
SZ3P via SV3DCX (B)
TA2/DL7BC via DL7BC (B)
TC18M via TA1HZ (B)
TC3C via TA3HM (d)
TE8X via TI5AA (d)
TF/DL2JRM via DL2JRM (B)
TJ3FC via F5LGE (B)
TL8CG via IK1APO
TO1N via IW1GGN (d)
TO5A via F5VHJ (B) correction!!
UR5GDX via UW7LL (B), (L)

US1I via RV3DHC
UW5M via UT7MA
V25OP via W9OP (B)
V47GIW via W4GIW (L) only
V85/9M6XRO via M0URX (B)
VA7AAW via VE7IG (B)
VB3ANT via VA3ITA
VK4LDX/p via VK8PDX (B)
VK9C/G6AY via G3SWH (B)
VP2MXF via G3TXF (B)
VP2V/G3PHO via G3PHO (B)
VP5/VE3OP via VE3OP (B), (L)
VQ9ZZ via N1ZZZ (d)
VU3LMS via VU2JOS (B)
W1EI/KH2 via JR1GSE
W2FJ/KH2 via JA1SVP
W2VQ/C6A via W2VQ (B)
XE3MAYA via EA5KB (B)
XU7ACY via W2EN (B)
XU7FZM via OK1FZM (B)
XV2W via W6NWS (B)
YD0OSX (d)
YI9NS via W3HNK (d)
YM7KA via TA7KA (B)
YP7P via YO7LFV
YR2WFF via YO2KJW
YT8A via YU1EA (B)
YU5R via YU1ARC
ZP9EH via K5WW (B)
ZW4O via PY4OG (B), (L)
ZW5B via K3IRV (B)
ZW8T via PS8HF (B)
ZX5ZZ via PY5PDC (B)
3V1A via YT1AD
3Z100MSC via SP8AQA
4J0LH via 4J5T (B)
5F6SIA via G5XW (d)
5M2TT via I2YSB (d)
5P3A via OZ3ABE (B)
5W1SA via JH7OHF (B)
5X1VJ via UV5EVJ (B)
7S0X via SM0MDG (B)

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QSL SU1SK: Hawk,SM5AQD, is offering his help for obtaining QSLs from SU1SK.
He offers to be a maildrop for SU1SK and will then forward all mail to

OM Said so that he can confirm his QSLs himself. Please send your QSLs
for SU1SK, SU8IOTA, SU8JOTA, SU50JOTA and SU60WW with 1 IRC or 2 US $
to: Hakan Eriksson, Hovgarden, SE-740 10 Almunge, Sweden.

QSLs arrived direct: HK0M (HK3JJH), K4M, PJ7E (N4XP), TT8CB (IK3ERN), ZB2FK

QSLs arrived bureau: A92IO (EI3IO), BD6JJX, D2QV (UT0EA), FM/KL7WA (UT5UGR),
HS0ZIN, J28AA (E77E), J6/W0SA, JT5DX (JT1CO),
JW9DL (LA9DL), OY3AA (OZ1ACB), P29NI (G3KHZ),
PY2XB/PY0F (PT7WA), T88DL (DL2OBO), T88CI (HA5AO),
VP5W (W7TSQ), YI1RZ (IK2DUW), 3DA0EL (GI4FUM),
4W6AL (CT1GFK), 5C2A (IK7JWX), 6V7S (UA1OMX),
8Q7SR (DL5JAG), 9Y4W (DL4MDO)

NRRL president Thormod Boe,LA7OF, Silent Key:

Thormod "Tom" Boe,LA7OF, president of the Norsk Radio Relae Liga (NRRL),
passed away on Monday, March 21. He was born in 1940. Boe was working for
the Norwegian PTT and served as Director of the European Radiocommunications
Office (ERO) in Copenhagen till his retirement in 2006. Thormod was involved
in the creation of the so-called WARC bands 30m, 17m and 12m during the
WARC conference in 1979. Upon his retirement he moved back to Horten in
Norway where he bought a house. LA7OF was elected president of the NRRL in
2008.

Other DXers who passed away during the last week are:
Robert Williams (G4LVQ/EA7FGS), Wah How "Howie" Lee (KH6CD),
Yury G. Sinitso (UA1RJ), Krishnappa Ramaswamy (VU2BRK) and
Michael R. Koss (W9SU), owner of Industrial Communication Engineers (ICE):

French HAMs try to get an allocation for the 6m band

F1DUE, the president of the French amateur radio union REF, writes about
his efforts to open the 6m band for French amateurs. Already last year the
REF asked the French frequency regulation authority (ARCEP) to deal with the
case of the 6m band which was suspended two years ago. The ARCEP informed
the REF that they consider to assign the frequency range 50-52 MHz for
amateur radio. Thus ARCEP placed this proposal on the agenda of the
Frequency Planning Commission (CPF) which was held in March. Yet nobody
knows when the change of the bandplan is finalized and comes into effect.

Many thanks for contributing to this issue of the DXNL are going to:
Carl Smith (QRZ DX), 425DXNews, OPDX Bulletin, DF6EX (WIN-QSL), DJ5AV,
DK8JB, DL1MDV, DL1SBF, DL2BQV, DL6ZFG, DL7VOA, F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX,
NG3K, PA3CNO and others.

The German PDF version can be found on the DARC homepage at:
http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxmb/2011

Subscribe or unsubscribe to the DXNL mailing list yourself at:
http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxnl

367. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.amateur.*

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-07 06:05:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/recruitment-1-1302156301@panix.com>
Source record: 4657
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/recruitment
Revision: 1.2 2009/11/25 14:41:01
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/

Changes followed by "|".

The rec.radio.info newsgroup, first established in 1993, has been
recently revived by an active moderation team. We are currently seeking
suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.amateur.* (and currently archived
at http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/ ):

radio/personal-intro
Subject: Guide to the rec.radio Newsgroups
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 9 Nov 2001 06:18:17 GMT
Posting-Frequency: 15th of each month

One significant omission, requiring immediate updates, for this article |
is that it does not mention newer amateur radio newsgroups created since |
it was written, including: |

rec.radio.amateur.antenna |
rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors |
rec.radio.amateur.dx |
rec.radio.amateur.equipment |
rec.radio.amateur.homebrew |
rec.radio.amateur.moderated |
rec.radio.amateur.space |

We are willing to provide any technical support necessary to get this
article updated and automatically posted again at a regular interval.
This would include establishing contact with the original maintainer for
any necessary permissions. We would prefer to seek a new, dedicated
maintainer at this time, rather than start auto-posting the original
article ourselves.

For more information about our newsgroup, see:
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http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

368. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.swap

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-07 06:10:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/swap/recruitment-1-1302156600@panix.com>
Source record: 4658
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/swap/recruitment
Revision: 1.1 2007/09/29 18:42:57
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide

Changes followed by "|".

The rec.radio.info newsgroup, first established in 1993, has been
recently revived by an active moderation team. We are currently seeking
suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.swap (and currently archived at
http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide/ ):

radio/swap-guide
Subject: Rec.radio.swap FAQ: A Guide to Buying and Selling on Usenet
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 6 Nov 2001 19:25:51 GMT
Posting-Frequency: Monthly

We are willing to provide any technical support necessary to get this
article updated and automatically posted again at a regular interval.
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any necessary permissions. We would prefer to seek a new, dedicated
maintainer at this time, rather than start auto-posting the original
article ourselves.

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Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.
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369. MMMonVHF Newsletter 2011-04-07

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-07 08:24:36 UTC
From: MMMonVHF News Mailer <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <201104070659.p376xDJQ020887@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 4659
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info
Body handling: HTML body converted to readable text

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our lastet NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2011-04-07
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter, once a week (thursday)
from now on - if any special activities will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further detail please be so kind and watch our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you vy welcome for any
input and we do hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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** MOST WANTED SQUARES & DXCCs at the VHF-DX-Portal of MMMonVHF **

Just in advance of the active meteorscatter time of the year
(with gd EME condx and the MS showers in may and june) we would
like to remember that these services are only as good as YOU (as
the USER) are doing UPDATES at our different sources...

Please do yourself and all of us the favour and check and update
periodical the following links and tools:

eMWS (MOST WANTED SQUARES) >>> www.mmmonvhf.de/emws.php
MWDXCC (MOST WANTED DXCC) >>> www.mmmonvhf.de/dxcc.php

We will spread the Result mid/end of april, early enough...

If you hear or plan yourself a trip and/or any activity use:

INPUT of VHF-ACTIVITIES >>> www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php
INPUT of UPDATES to NEWS >>> www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuserup.php

Thanks in the name of all USER of MMMonVHF and the team which is
always trying to pass you as soon as possible the latest News...
SOURCE: Guy, DL8EBW, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: 9N ; Square: NL27 ; Start: 2011-03-30 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3714

DXpedition to Nepal (9N) March/April 2011 - FINISHED
LATEST NEWS, dated 2011-04-07: April 7, 2010: Today is the
last day of our DXpedition. 9N7WL is QRT. Online log will be
updated today. SOURCE: tnx to Joe, DK5WL, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: PJ4/PJ2 ; Square: FK52 ; Start: 2011-04-07 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3684

Announcement New DXCC 144MHz moonbounce: PJ4(FK52ud)
LATEST NEWS from PJ team, dated 2011-04-07: A long day of hard
work have passed. While building up the antenna system on the
tower we nearly lost the complete array due to high wind and
lack of the right materials on the island. While installing
the last 2 yagi's the other 2 came down and a boom landed on
Jurgen. A crossplate broke and it had to be fixed by a local
welder. While it was getting dark he climed into the tower to
fix the problem. See pictures and a small movie on
www.emelogger.com/bonaire Now we have some delay on our
schedule. Tomorrow we start building again at sunrise and we
try to be qrv as soon as possible, we need a few hours more.
But we still enjoy the stay on the island (no we did not see
much of it so far) SOURCE: Rene, PE1L, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: GD ; Square: IO74 ; Start: 2011-04-09 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3692
USE the MMMonVHF DX Blog: www.mmmonvhf.de/showblog.php?ca=MD-DH7FB

Frank DH7FB & Bernd DF2ZC qrv from GD in april 2011
LATEST NEWS from Bernd, DF2ZC dated 2011-02-27:
The Team will try to use a MMMonVHF DX-Blog to spread our
their Latest News. You can find the MMMonVHF DXBlog:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/showblog.php?ca=MD-DH7FB
LATEST NEWS from Bernd, DF2ZC dated 2011-03-30:
Equipment in DF2ZC's basement waiting to travel to GD land on
8 April... The GS35 amp and power supply waiting...bottom
right is an old 4cx250 amp which will stay at home.
SOURCE: tnx to Bernd, DF2ZC direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: 5V ; Square: ?? ; Start: 2011-04-15 **
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DL3MBG, DL5MEV, DL5MGH and DL9MBI will be active as 5V7CC from
Togo from mid-April until the 28th.They will operate SSB, CW,
RTTY on 160-10 metres and EME. QSL via DL9MBI, bureau
preferred. SOURCE: [425ENG] 425 DX News #1039

** DXCC: EA8 ; Square: IL18 ; Start: 2011-04-17 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3744

EA8/DC2JWR Home-made QRP 6m & 2m Expedition LOC : IL18AQ
Canary Island - La Palma 17.04.2011 - 01.05.2011
With this internet site (http://ea8-dc2jwr.co.de/) I would like to
announce my expedition to EA8. On this expedition I will only use
home-made equipment and antennas. The pleasure of making a qso on a
home-made equipment is many times larger than working on commercial
equipment. I hope to make many nice DX QSOs and I would be very
happy if I could animate the self-construction activities in ham
radio through my expedition.
SOURCE: Wojtek, DC2JWR, via Webpage and UKSMG Announce

** DXCC: SM ; Square: IO98 ; Start: 2011-08-12 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3742

MUSKO Island (JO98) qrv during PERSEIDS 2011
This year I will be active in JO98 during the perseids. August 12,
13 and 14 I planned to be active from Musko island just south of
Stockholm. Only 3, depending on QRL maybe 4 days max. Running like
the previous years a single 9 elemens yagi and 500W out. No internet
connection so all QSOs are random, like previous years caling on
370 and switching to 380 when things are running good, hi.
Source: tnx to Ruud, PE1BTV, direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** JW9DFA qrv HF, 50 and maybe 144 MHz from Spitsbergen Island **

Morten, LA9DFA, will be active from Longyearbyen, Spitsbergen Island
(IOTA EU-026, WLOTA 0125, WW Loc. JQ78TF), from 14-19 September 2011.
QRV on the HF bands, mostly CW but some RTTY and SSB as well. Will
work 50MHz if conditions allow (not likely!). Morten will also
participate in the Scandinavian Activity CW Contest (17-18 September)
using the callsign W3C. QSL both callsigns via LA9DFA, direct or
bureau and LoTW. QSL can also be requested for both calls via e-mail
to la9dfa[at]online.no . Website: www.qrz.com/db/LA9DFA - Meantime
there is a contact to Guy, DL8EBW, for a request about any 144 MHz
EME activity from JW...
SOURCE: LA9DFA & [NG3K] via [ICPO] ICPO Bulletin (01-08 April 2011)

** XV2RZ qrv from Phan Thiet, South-East Vietnam (WW Loc. OK40BV) **
Retu, XU7MDY/OX3RZ/OH4MDY will once again be active from Phan Thiet,

South-East Vietnam (WW Loc. OK40BV) on 4-17 April 2011 as XV2RZ. QRV
on 80-6m CW and SSB. QSL direct only to XU7MDY.
SOURCE: [AT International] via [ICPO] ICPO Bulletin (01-08 April 11)

** TK4DS qrv from island of Corsica (JN42) **

Operators Tonny ON1DNF, Jaak ON4PJA, Joeri ON7IQ, Jempi
ON7JPS and Geert ON7QC will be active from the village of Biguglia,
island of Corsica (IOTA EU-014, DIFM TK-001, MIA MCO-001, WLOTA 1390,
Grid Loc. JN42) as TK4DS from 21-24 April 2011. Plans are to be QRV
on the HF bands, using SSB and the digital modes. There is the
possibility of some VHF activity as they will be taking a 9 element
yagi for 2m and a vertical for 2m/70cm. The village of Biguglia is
located in the Canton [county] of Borgo, Department Haute-Corse/2B
and Province Corse (DPF 09). QSL via ON4PJA, bureau preferred.
Website: www.TK4DS.be/
SOURCE: [rsgbiota.org] via ICPO Bulletin (25 March-01 April 2011)

** 5M, LIBERIA, qrv in April **

The I2YSB DXpedition team is now active as 5M2TT from Liberia until
April 13th. The team consists of Silvano/I2YSB, Vinicio/IK2CIO,
Angelo/IK2CKR, Marcello/IK2DIA and Stefano/IK2HKT. The pilot station
will be Art/IK7JWY. The group plans to use 3 stations for the HF
bands and one other for the 50 MHz band (w/beacon and cubical quad
antenna). Activity will be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY.
QSL via I2YSB (A OQRS is available -- See Web page for details).
An online log (provided by IH9GPI) is available at:
http://www.i2ysb.com/joomla5/index.php?option=com_wrapper&view=wrapper&Itemid=179
The official Web site is at: http://www.i2ysb.com
Official forum (for any comment, suggestion or to contact the pilot)
is available at: http://www.hamradioweb.org/forums The current QSO
count as of April 3rd, at 1556z is: 12871 QSOs with 6245 unique
callsigns (5317/SSB, 7327/CW and 227/RTTY).
SOURCE: [DX-ENG] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1005

LATEST NEWS directed by the Team, dated 2011-04-05:

Tonight we had problems with internet access and we remained
without uploading the logs from 00:00 UTC..... Given our
phisical effort in recent days, last night we decided to stop
transmitting early and try to rest a bit. So we did not lower
bands ..... we'll make this night! This morning we have
arranged and we have internet connection again (there was a
5 GHz bad link). There are still problems to the generators
and not only how they work..... We are been asked for an
increase in cost compared to the agreements and we are
evaluating different options ..... Unfortunately, the dollars
requested are many more and we do not know if we can meet the

cost .... in the event we'll have to agree on the hours of
blackouts to avoid excessive costs. Today will be a day spent
to discuss and find a better solution, but something tells me
it will not be a final agreement: I wonder why we are not
surprised about this.... We managed to somehow fix the
vertical but its efficiency is very low..... In RTTY we do
our best but we can not guarantee all the bands. We are
trying to satisfy all requests for contacts and sked but
keep in mind that we are 5 and we are not able to do
miracles... SOURCE: 425 DX News and VHF Reflector

** SV8/PA1FJ/p from Skala Potamias, Thasos Island **

Look for Fred, PA1FJ, to be active as SV8/PA1FJ/p from Skala Potamias
Thasos Island (IOTA EU-174, GIOTA NAS-037, MIA MG-124, WLOTA 4186)
from 13-19 September 2011. QRV on 40-6m CW and SSB, using FT-817,
Buddistick and 2x5m dipole. QSL via home call, bureau preferred.
SOURCE: [rsgbiota.org] via ICPO Bulletin (25 March-01 April 2011)

** PUERTO RICO, SPECIAL EVENT STATION **
50 years ago (on Apr 12, 1961) Yuri Gagarin was the first man
to fly into space and 30 years ago (on Apr 12, 1981) the
maiden flight of the space shuttle Columbia took place. The
special event callsign N4S in Puerto Rico remembers both
historic dates of mankind. They are working in SSB on 80m-10m
and in PSK1000 on 145.950 MHz. QSL via WP3GW.
SOURCE: tnx to Bill, NG3K-DX-News

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** Many thanks to all our USER who did send us info and News **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
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an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/kontact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

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==> + JAPAN SUFFERS LARGE AFTERSHOCK; TSUNAMI WARNING ISSUED, LIFTED

A 7.4 magnitude aftershock hit just off the coast of Japan
<http://www.cnn.com/2011/WORLD/asiapcf/04/07/japan.quake/index.html?hpt=T1&ir
ef=BN1>
at 11:30 PM JST (1430 UTC) on Thursday, April 7. The epicenter of this
earthquake is just 73 miles from the nuclear plant at Fukushima and 41
miles from the epicenter of last month's 9.0 earthquake
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<http://www.arrl.org/news/massive-earthquake-hits-japan-tsunami-warnings-issued>.
As such, Japan's meteorological agency issued, and then lifted, a tsunami warning for a wave of up to 6 feet for the coastal area that has been already torn apart by the March 11 earthquake and tsunami. These events are believed to have killed some 25,000 people and have sparked an ongoing crisis at the nuclear power plant. The ARRL asks that you keep 7.030 MHz clear for emergency use. In addition, these frequencies should also be kept clear: 3.525, 7.030, 7.077, 7.087, 7.097, 14.100, 21.200 and 28.200 MHz. -- Thanks to CNN and other sources for the information

==> + AMATEUR RADIO IN THE CLASSROOM: ALABAMA HIGH SCHOOLS SUCCESSFULLY LAUNCH HIGH ALTITUDE BALLOON

The Pell City and St Clair County High School's joint balloon launch was a great success. The balloon was launched from the St Clair County Airport in Pell City, Alabama into a brisk wind at 2 PM on April 2. The balloon carried a variety of experiments ranging from materials, plastic sticks, silly putty, several varieties of seed, batteries, film and cameras, radio location equipment and a radio beacon announcing the balloons flight, as well as a collection of worms. The worms were given physicals by a St Clair County High School science class prior to the flight. They returned home in apparent good health and have made reservations for the next flight. The balloon made a rapid and steady ascent to 94,449 feet and, after bursting, landed near Woodbury, Georgia. The balloon landed in the middle of an open field and was quickly retrieved by Amateur Radio operators from the Auburn/Alexander city area. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/alabama-high-schools-successfully-launch-high-altitude-balloon>.

==> + PUBLIC SERVICE: BILL SMITH, K1ARK, RECEIVES NATIONAL RECOGNITION FOR STORM SPOTTING ACTIVITIES

It is difficult to imagine the number of hours that Dr Bill Smith, K1ARK, of Fayetteville, Arkansas, logs in his job as the University of Arkansas' Director of New Media for the Razorback Athletics Department. Smith spends countless hours blogging, filming, commentating and handling the social media responsibilities for 19 teams and the department, but he still finds time to assist Washington County residents when dangerous weather conditions arise. Smith has volunteered for the Washington County Department of Emergency Management for more than a decade, assisting with county weather emergency communications. In addition, Smith is the volunteer Public Information Officer for the DEM with Advanced P10 certification from FEMA.

For these efforts, Smith -- an ARRL member -- has been named the Bob Kenworthy Community Service Award winner by the College of Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA). The Bob Kenworthy Community Service Award is presented annually to a member for civic involvement

and accomplishments outside of the sports information office. CoSIDA is a 2700-plus member national organization comprised of the sports public relations, communications and information professionals throughout all levels of collegiate athletics in the United States and Canada. Smith will be honored at the CoSIDA at the organization's annual convention in June. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/bill-smith-k1ark-receives-national-recognition-for-storm-spotting-activities>.

==> + CHECK OUT THE MAY ISSUE OF QST

The May issue of QST is jam-packed with all sorts of things that today's Amateur Radio operator needs. From product reviews to experiments to contesting -- including a special look at the ARRL EXPO, coming to the Dayton Hamvention® and the ARRL National Convention at Ham-Com in Plano, Texas -- this issue of QST has something for just about everyone.

As amateurs, we get excited when we finally get that new entity, top a previous year's score in a contest, build a new piece of equipment or meet up with an old friend on the air. Why not unleash some of that excitement and introduce kids to Amateur Radio at the same time? Mark Spencer, WA8SME, shows readers how to do just that in his article "A Transmitter for Foxhunting." Build this project that combines the fun of the outdoors with the science and art of radio. With today's rising energy costs, we are all looking for ways to save on those monthly bills. One of the ways to do so is by lassoing the energy of the Sun. In his article "An Emergency Backup Solar Power System," Jim Talens, N3JT, says that after the purchase of some basic hardware, solar power is free -- and independent of the grid.

Three Dutch hams -- Eltje Veen, PA3CEE; Johan Meezen, PE9DX, and Ren® Hasper, PE1L -- ventured to Mauritius to shoot for the moon. Read about their adventure in "3B8EME -- Moonbounce from the Indian Ocean." Join a group of Midwestern teenage hams as they discover what it's like on the other end of the pile-up in "Youth DX Adventure #1" by Don DuBon, N6JRL, and Dave Kalter, KB8OCP. QST Assistant Editor Steve Sant Andrea, AG1YK, decodes RSQ and explains what it means to digital operators in his article "Readability, Strength -- and Quality?"

QST Contributing Editor Ward Silver, N0AX, takes a look at the Kenwood TS-590S HF and 6 meter transceiver in this month's Product Review. He says that this rig "is a compact package of high-performance radio with an exceptional receiver for the price and is well-suited for today's operating modes and styles. It has a useful package of features that are thoughtfully organized and easy to access." QST Technical Editor Joel Hallas, W1ZR, checks out the Heil Pro Set Elite headset. He calls it "a worthy addition to the popular Pro Set line of headsets. It offers comfortable, wider range earphones, combined with a wide range fidelity dynamic microphone element. The mic element is intended to be tailored by radio or external audio equalizers to provide just the

desired voice characteristics."

Kelly Taylor, VE4XT, delivers the results of the 2010 ARRL November CW Sweepstakes. For the first time ever in the history of the contest, there's a tie for first place! Jeremy Alexander, W7EME, has the results of the 2010 ARRL International EME Competition, held over three weekends this past September and October. According to Alexander, the 2010 running of the contest generated more than 100 logs with many more stations participating.

Of course, there are the usual columns you know and expect in the May QST: Happenings, Hints & Kinks, The Doctor Is IN, How's DX, Technical Correspondence, Vintage Radio and more. Look for your May issue in your mailbox. QST is the official journal of ARRL, the national association for Amateur Radio. QST is just one of the many benefits of ARRL membership. To join or renew your ARRL membership, please see the ARRL Web page <https://www.arrl.org/join>.

==> + ON THE AIR: REV UP THE ROOKIES -- THE 2011 SSB ROOKIE ROUNDUP IS HERE!

Newly licensed amateurs will once again be the focus of attention on Sunday, April 17 as the ARRL Rookie Roundup enters its second year. Created to give the budding operator a place to learn about contesting at an easier pace, the ARRL Rookie Roundup is a six hour contest open to all amateurs who have been licensed for three years or fewer. If you were licensed in 2009, 2010 or 2011, you qualify as a Rookie. The Rookie Roundup happens three times each year: SSB in April, RTTY in August and CW in December. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/rev-up-the-rookies-the-2011-ssb-rookie-roundup-is-here>.

==> ARRL TO CHANGE INSURANCE COMPANY FOR EQUIPMENT PROTECTION, CLUB LIABILITY SERVICES

On May 1, 2011, the ARRL will begin a new partnership to provide its ARRL-sponsored Equipment Insurance and Club Liability Insurance plans. The League has signed an agreement with Hays Affinity Group to serve as the program administrator to provide equipment insurance to its members who choose to elect coverage. In addition, Hays will also provide club liability insurance to ARRL Affiliated Clubs for those clubs that wish to take advantage of that program. Hays will be replacing Marsh Affinity Group Services as the program's administrator and will be introducing new policies for both plans, underwritten by the Hanover Insurance Company. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-to-change-providers-for-equipment-protection-club-liability-insurance-plans>.

==> + AMATEUR RADIO FUN: ANNOUNCING THE WINNERS OF THE ARRL VIDEO CONTEST

With more than 30 videos submitted from all corners of the Earth, the ARRL's production and editorial team had a tough job ahead of them

as they sat down to pick the best one. But in the end, these ARRL HQ staff members picked a clear and decisive winner. In December, the ARRL announced that it was looking for ARRL members to shoot and submit videos that showcase how fun and electrifying our hobby can be. Extra points were awarded for videos showing someone -- young or old, licensed or not -- making their first contacts. Videos were judged on their creativity, overall quality and composition, and how well each communicated enthusiasm for Amateur Radio. All videos had to be less than five minutes long. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/announcing-the-winners-of-the-arrl-video-contest>.

==> ARRL IN ACTION : WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO LATELY?

Compiled by ARRL News Editor S. Khrystyne Keane, K1SFA

This feature is a concise monthly update of some of the things ARRL is doing on behalf of its members. This installment -- which covers the month of March -- looks at how the ARRL and its members are responding to HR 607, various filings made by the ARRL to the FCC, the ARRL's Executive Committee meeting, reports from the Official Observer Desk and more. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-in-action-what-have-we-been-up-to-lately-32>.

==> + FCC NEWS: FCC LAUNCHES COMPLETE OVERHAUL OF WEBSITE

The Federal Communications Commission announced on April 6 that it has launched a complete overhaul of its website. According to an April 6 press release from the FCC, the new website is "architected with a more intuitive user experience and the addition of Web 2.0 technologies, and improves and simplifies the FCC.gov experience for consumers, government, public safety agencies and the business community." This is the first major update to the Commission's website in 10 years. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-launches-complete-overhaul-of-website>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "I walk out into the Sun, I try to find a new day <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W1N19zOBKCE>" Cook, K7RA, reports: Our Sun is still quite active, but solar activity is down this week when compared with the week before. The average daily sunspot numbers were down nearly 34 points to 68.3, while the average daily solar flux declined nearly 3 points to 111.8. But geomagnetic activity was quite strong this week, with the planetary A index on April 2 at 20, rising to 26 on April 6. The latest forecast from USAF and NOAA has the solar flux at 117 on April 7-9, 115 on April 10-14, 88, 90, 100 and 115 on April 15-18 and 125 on April 19-27. The predicted planetary A index is 8, 5, 10 and 10 on April 6-9, 5 on April 11-17 and 7 on April 18-20. Geophysical Institute Prague predicts quiet conditions on April 8, quiet to unsettled April 9, unsettled to active April 10, active April 11, unsettled April 12, quiet to unsettled April 13 and back to quiet on April 14. On April 4, NASA released a new solar cycle prediction

<http://solarscience.msfc.nasa.gov/predict.shtml>, and they say this may be the smallest sunspot cycle in 200 years. Look for more information on the ARRL website on Friday, April 8. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by Duran Duran <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Duran_Duran>'s Careless Memories <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W1N19zOBKCE>.

==> + ARRL RECOGNIZES: HOWARD "SKIP" TELLER, KH6TY, WINS MARCH QST COVER PLAQUE AWARD

The winner of the QST Cover Plaque Award for March is Howard "Skip" Teller, KH6TY, for his article "Digital VOX Sound Card Interface." Congratulations Skip! The QST Cover Plaque award -- given to the author or authors of the best article in each issue -- is determined by a vote of ARRL members on the QST Cover Plaque Poll Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cover-plaque-poll>. Cast a ballot for your favorite article in the April issue today.

==> + ON THE AIR: ARRL FREQUENCY MEASURING TEST SCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY, APRIL 12

The Frequency Measuring Test (FMT <http://www.arrl.org/frequency-measuring-test>) adds a couple of new wrinkles to the format when it takes to the airwaves on April 12. The first change is that the FMT will be held on Tuesday evening instead of Wednesday. If weeknight schedules have prevented you from participating in past FMTs, this change is for you. The second change is in the sequence of stations transmitting. The new format will mimic a round-table QSO in which all of the stations are close to the same frequency but not exactly on the same frequency. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-frequency-measuring-test-scheduled-for-tuesday-april-12>.
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==> ON THE AIR : NIST TO CONDUCT TIME AND FREQUENCY USER SURVEY

The National Institute of Standards and Technology's (NIST) Time and Frequency Division is conducting a survey to learn more about its users, seeking to determine how the agency can make its services more useful in the future. NIST services include WWV, WWVH and WWVB, which provide reference time and frequency signals via radio. The NIST also provides the Internet Time Service -- which provides accurate time synchronization to computer systems -- and several other services to offer accurate time information via telephone or web pages. Radio amateurs are encouraged to complete the survey. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/nist-to-conduct-time-and-frequency-user-survey>.

==> THIS WEEK ON THE RADIO

This week:

- April 9 -- PODXS 070 Club PSK 31 Flavors Contest (local time); EU Spring Sprint (CW)
- April 9-10 -- Montana QSO Party; New Mexico QSO Party; Georgia QSO Party; JIDX CW Contest
- April 10 -- SKCC Weekend Sprint; UBA Spring Contest (SSB)
- April 11 -- 144 MHz Spring Sprint (local time)
- April 13 -- NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint
- April 13-14 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

Next week:

- April 15 -- NCCC Sprint
- April 15-16 -- Holyland DX Contest
- April 16 -- Feld Hell Sprint; TARA Skirmish Digital Prefix Contest; ES Open HF Championship; EU Spring Sprint (SSB)
- April 16-17 -- Michigan QSO Party; Ontario QSO Party; YU DX Contest; CQ Manchester Mineira DX Contest; EA-QRP CW Contest
- April 16-24 -- ARLHS Annual Spring Lites QSO Party
- April 17 -- ARRL Rookie Roundup (SSB) <http://www.arrl.org/rookie-roundup>
- April 18 -- Run for the Bacon QRP Contest
- April 19 -- 222 MHz Spring Sprint (local time)

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more info. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- April 22-24 -- ARRL Idaho State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/idaho-state-convention-1>, Boise, Idaho
- April 23 -- ARRL Louisiana State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/louisiana-state-convention-twin-city-ham-radio-fest>, Monroe, Louisiana; ARRL North Carolina State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/north-carolina-state-convention-raleigh-hamfest>, Raleigh, North Carolina
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Plano, Texas
- June 11 -- ARRL Tennessee State Convention
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WIANEWS FOR WEEK COMMENCING APRIL 10 2011.

WIA NATIONAL FIELD DAY

VOX POP FROM VK6POP WIA DIRECTOR

OLDEST TV IN WORLD FOR SALE

SCOTCH ON ROCKS THE VK7DI QSL ROUTE

ALL THESE STORIES UP AND COMING IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS
INSTITUTE OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING APRIL 10 2011.

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Rosebud Secondary College, Victoria has just completed exchanging a series
of 18 questions with the International Space Station via amateur radio.

Among the questions, the students asked why a career as an astronaut was
chosen, the training required, the difference in the appearance of the
stars, and whether greenhouse gasses are visible.

"The ISS contact (on Monday 4th April at 09:04 UTC) was an outstanding success," said Southern Peninsula Amateur Radio Club Secretary, John Ross VK3BJR.

The students with their rehearsed questions probed the thoughts of astronaut Katy Coleman before an audience at the Arts Centre, which was almost full with students, parents and friends who were in praise of the event.

John VK3BJR said, "The evening's activities were videotaped by media studies students at the College along with Jack Braham VK3WWW. Audio of the contact was transmitted live via SPARC's 2-metre Mt Martha repeater VK3RSP and the full audio of the evening has also been recorded."

He said the club is indebted to the Australian ARISS Co-ordinator, Tony Hutchison VK5ZAI for his assistance with the contact and to W6SRJ for making contact with the ISS.

John VK3BJR said, "The night was capably chaired by SPARC treasurer John Vardanega VK3BCR, who not only handled the microphone for the contact, but also answered many questions about the ISS while the large screen in the auditorium was displaying the space station's orbit."

The nine-minute ARISS contact with the Rosebud Secondary College, will be followed by a similar contact this Monday by the John XXIII College, Perth Western Australia.

All is ready for a great public relations event

The WIA National Field Day has more than 20 clubs and groups registered including each state plus the Northern Territory where the Darwin Amateur Radio Club is to be at the Rapid Creek Markets.

In VK2 they will set up at Port Macquarie, Dubbo and Dural, VK3 is registered at Yarra Glen, Lilydale, Syndal, Williamstown and Queenscliff, for VK4 they come from Manly, Mt Morgan Range, Maryborough, North Ward, Ipswich and Kippa-Ring.

VK5 has representatives at Gladstone Square in Port Augusta, Mile End and Murray Bridge, VK6 will be at Kalamunda and Kalgoorlie, while VK7 has chosen Penguin and Hobart.

Each group has registered on-line for the event that marks World Amateur Radio Day, celebrated throughout the nation on Sunday the 17th of April. It's not too late for any group of three or more to secure a public spot and register.

Have a look at www.wia.org.au for some guidance and see what, and where, others intend to set up operating stations available to the public.
Each have been sent a draft media release and the WIA wishes them all success.

Do check the rules. It's time to put up those WIA banners that have proven themselves as drawcards to portable displays of amateur radio equipment and experts.

For those who will be at home or out mobile, there's the opportunity for you to be the friendly voice at the end of the first QSO of a newcomer looking at what amateur radio has on offer.

Among them are potential recruits to amateur radio - that is what it's all about. Remember the National Field Day, the 17th of April, next Sunday, Tune-In to World - Amateur Radio gets people talking.

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

Spam .. Don't we all just love it !

Everyday .. people out there sending out unsolicited mail trying to trick people into clicking one link or another and to provide their personal details.

As we have said before here on WIA National News, if you ever receive an email claiming to be from the WIA asking for your personal details, it WILL most definitely be Spam. In ALL cases, the WIA office will contact you directly (not by email) should they be wish to clarify anything to do with your membership or your personal details.

WIA Board - news

Hello I'm Bob VK6POP, WIA Director with some news from the Board.

The WIA Board met in Melbourne last weekend at the WIA premises in Bayswater. On the Saturday afternoon, we welcomed visitors and guests who came to witness the naming of our headquarters as "Andersson House".

The Board decided on the name to honour Henry Andersson's generous bequest to the WIA, which enabled the building to be purchased. The naming ceremony was transmitted on Amateur TV via the local ATV repeater.

The full story and video can be found on the WIA website www.wia.org.au

Among several important issues discussed and resolved at the Board meeting was membership fees. While it was found necessary to increase some classes of fees for the first time since formation of the National WIA, the Board felt it appropriate to introduce a membership fee concession for full time students under the age of 25 years. This concession acknowledges that Amateur Radio as a hobby must look to the future, and the concession was adopted as one way of encouraging young people to fully participate in Amateur Radio life.

The new student concession membership fee is $35.

My particular interest lies in the area of attracting young people to the hobby and then encouraging and supporting them to continue. I encourage all clubs and individuals to examine how they may attract, encourage and support young people to enter this great hobby.

The Board, in order to enhance communication with the members, have decided to make regular contributions to the weekly National News. You can expect to hear from all of the Directors, in turn, week by week, giving you news, comments and updates on what's happening. I drew the short straw to prepare something for this week. The directors are looking forward to communicating

with you each week.

WIA AGM

This is Sarah Thompson VK3AUD, Secretary of the WIA.

As you know, the WIA Annual Conference is being held over the weekend of 27 to 29th of May at the Mirambeena Resort in Darwin.

Activities commence with a welcome dinner by the sea at the beautiful Darwin Trailer Boat Club on Friday night.

Saturday morning is for the Annual General Meeting and Open Forum. Although there is no charge to attend just the AGM and Open Forum, it would help us with room configuration and catering if you would register nonetheless.

Saturday afternoon will see presentations based around the theme "Technology for the Bush" and life in the top end. For Partners, we have set up a tour of some special places in Darwin led by the team from the Darwin Amateur Radio Club.

The conference dinner on Saturday night at the lovely Tree Tops restaurant finishes off the Saturday events.

On Sunday we are going to Litchfield National Park. Bring your togs and swim or just cool off in the pristine water falls and rock holes. Take a look at the magnetic anthill phenomenon, and join in a barbecue lunch at the very pretty Wangi falls.

Sunday evening event is hosted by the DARC at the famous Mindil Markets, where we will watch a beautiful sunset over Fannie bay whilst eating our choice of specialty food from one of the many different food stalls.

I urge you to please go to the WIA website now and register for this fantastic weekend. Accommodation can be booked at the special rates negotiated by the WIA by calling the Travelodge Mirambeena on 08 8946 0111 and speaking to Aleishia Good or Belinda Anthony, quoting the reference "WIA Conference"

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VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news

Oxley Region Amateur Radio Club station VK2BOR will participate in the WIA National Field Day on Sunday the 17th of April. The station will operate HF and VHF from the Town Green at Port Macquarie

The Annual General Meeting for the Hellenic Amateur Radio Association of Australia will be held on Wednesday 27th April, 7:30 PM at St. George Sailing Club, 2 Riverside Drive, Sans Souci NSW

(Catherine Stokes Secretary)

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VK4AB Wayne Bryce April 04 2001 advised by Allan VK4FARB

Silent Key - VK4AB Wayne Bryce

One of the founding members of the Ipswich and District Radio Club went Silent Key Monday April 4, 2011.

VK4AB Wayne Bryce was born in 1944 at St Andrews Hospital Ipswich.

As a young boy Wayne had a keen interest in amateur radio. This interest was something he shared with his uncle Ramsay Bryce. Wayne held several call signs including VK4ZBN and when he obtained his Morse code license he changed to VK4ZN.

On the passing of his Uncle Ramsay, Wayne applied and obtained is uncle's call sign VK4AB. Wayne was a life member of the Ipswich & District Radio Club. During almost 50 years Wayne held many positions including President through to elder statesman.

Wayne had several jobs including at RT Edwards in Ipswich as a TV repair man, but his real passion was 2-way radio. He started at Fred Hoe & Sons at Evans Rd Salisbury and was their service manager.

In the early 1980s he opened W & J Communications from their home office at 1 Shelley Street Brassall.

Since retirement Wayne became an avid restorer of valve radios.

We all have our own fond memories of him and he will be sadly missed by all.

Wayne's Funeral will be held on Monday 11th April, 2011 at 10.00am in St Stephens Church Cnr Limestone Street and Gordon Street, Ipswich.

Should you wish to attend, Wayne's Family have requested in lieu of Flowers we respectfully request donations to be made to the Ipswich and District Amateur Radio Club as they feel this would respect Wayne's impact on the contributions he made to the club for over 50 years.

After the service a Wake will be held at Brothers Leagues Club to Celebrate Wayne's Life.

Wayne is survived by his wife Jeanette, his Father Ian and brother Dale and family along with children and partners Robert & Julie Bryce, Sandra & Jason West and Keith Bryce and Tara Liverton.

Wayne was a loving grandfather to Laura and step grandfather to Sarah and Nicholas.

(vk4aab/vk4farb)

Welcome to QNews from VK4WIA. I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP, and I've been thinking.

As WIA President Michael Owen, VK3KI, has reported, the Foundation Licence has stopped the previous trend of amateur numbers dropping. Times have moved on and our once favourite shops have rationalised their inventories to reflect purchasing trends.

In a population of 22 millions, a licensed amateur community of about 15,000 means we are spread very thinly when retailers come to swap our dollars for their products. Some retail spokespersons have been decrying the use of "on line" buying. Well for me being able to buy items that are no longer available from local outlets let's me pursue some of my radio interests which would otherwise be denied.

I know from researching purchases that there can be equivalent items for sale locally but often at twice the price I can buy them in from overseas. I also know that the cost of freight from U.S.A. can be a large component of the total cost. With our dollar above or matching the greenback, it looks tempting to purchase from USA book stores. Add in the postage and packing and then check with WIA Bookshop and you are more inclined to buy locally.

We are fortunate that as some of the store front retailers drop hobby products we have more enthusiasts building successful on-line businesses in VK. With on-line payment and ordering we are perhaps better served now than in past times. We just need internet access to still buy Australian.

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think.....how about you?

CENTRAL QUEENSLAND AR CLUB
Rockhampton
cqar.com.au

The Central Queensland Amateur Radio Association Inc. would like to officially introduce a new radio association in Central Queensland. The CQARA held its inaugural meeting on the 10th of March with 9 members, and has grown rapidly in a short amount of time to over 22 active members all keen to participate and promote our beloved hobby.

Our association is dedicated to promoting Amateur Radio within the community and fostering the spirit of Amateur Radio within its members. Education and enjoyment are the cornerstones of our association. We also have a strong commitment to increase the general interest and fun of amateur radio within the association and the community. We will be actively participating in public events to increase public awareness of Amateur Radio.

The CQARA meet every second Sunday of the month at the Frenchville Sports Club in Rockhampton at 6pm for a social meal and then a meeting at 7pm that includes a regular show and tell.

The up and coming Field Day will be our first public event with two sites being run simultaneously. One at the top of the Mount Morgan Range co-ordinated by David Christmas VK4DJC and Maree Churchill our secretary, and a second site will be located at the Bunning's car park in Rockhampton co-ordinated by our president Andrea Williams VK4FROG.

I'm Adam, VK4MTJ on behalf of the Central Queensland Amateur Radio Association Inc.

MARYBOROUGH RADIO AND ELECTRONICS CLUB
For more info, call Secretary Kathy Johns 040-939-8853
Email: kathy.johns@bigpond.com
Channel 14 UHF CB call "CQ MERG"

Kathleen Johns vk4kj (secretary@merg.org.au) has advised the WIA that the Maryborough Electronics and Radio Group will conduct a "Wide Bay Hamfest" July 16.

This at West Scout Hall, Ariadne St, Maryborough on the corner with Frank St.

General entry at 0830.

Exhibitor space in the hall or for "car boot sale" as desired.

Wide Bay Hamfest will be catered for by the local scouting groups

ROCKHAMPTON
IRLP NODE 6973 ;
e-mail vk4acc@wia.org.au
Secretary Clive 4928 1173
http://www.radarc.cjb.net/

Clairview Gathering Weekend

The Clairview Gathering is a yearly event where Radio Amateurs meet at a spot on the coast between Rockhampton and Mackay to relax, talk radio, re-establish acquaintances and participate in the world renown Saturday Night Mega-Auction.

It is one of the main revenue raisers for the Rockhampton and District Amateur Radio Club Inc and Mackay Amateur Radio Club.

It happens in 2011 during the Long Weekend on the 30th April and 1st of May.

The Clairview Gathering is so popular that on-site accommodation is booked out years in advance, so if you want to go you will have to either camp, caravan or motor-home over the weekend.

For further details contact Clive Sait VK4ACC

mobile 04 2963 2815.

To book your camping spot contact the Clairview Beach Holiday Park
on 07 495 60 190.

TABLELANDS RADIO AND ELECTRONICS CLUB
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www.treclub.org.au

G'day again from Far North Queensland where it is still very wet and tropical,
this is Dale VK4DMC for the Tablelands Radio and Electronics Club, TREC,
in Far North Queensland.

Three candidates were assessed this week at the TREC clubrooms for their
foundation level certificate of proficiency. They were all successful and we
look forward to hearing three new call-signs on air shortly.

One of the candidates, Peter George, passed the assessment with flying
colours. Peter was a signaller with the Army during WW2. He enlisted
(aged 17yrs) in May 1940 with 7th Aust Divisional Signals. He was attached
to 2/5th Field Regiment (25 pounder artillery)for 4 years in India, Palestine,
Western Desert, Syria, New Guinea and Milne Bay Papua.

Peter was then seconded as wireless operator to RAAF unit No 4 Mobile
Meteorological Flight for last nine months of WW2 which included the
landing at Balikpapan. After discharge he joined the Northern Territory
Police Force in 1946

Peter re-enlisted in the Regular Army in the 1950's and received a
commission soon after. He served in Korea for two tours. After 55yrs
in civvy street and at eighty eight years young and in perfect health
Peter has decided to recall his CW skills and become a "Ham".

Not content with foundation level Peter has started studying for his
standard level certificate.

That's your lot for this week.

Visit the TREC website at www.treclub.org.au for club information and you can
also download the latest monthly club news in TREC-NEWS.

This has been Dale VK4DMC and you are listening to the WIA news.

Travel Well!

VK5

Whyalla Amateur Radio Club "on display".

The club is joining in this year's WIA celebration of World Amateur Radio Day
with its participation in the wia National Field Day Sunday the 17th.

Operating from Gladstone Square in Port Augusta and hopes to have working
displays of a variety of modes including PSK and satellite communications.

All amateurs in the area are welcome to join them in Port Augusta but if you
can't be there please look out for the VK5BWR callsign on the HF bands and
through the local 2 metre repeaters.

As Alex for the Whyalla Amateur Radio Club says " We're helping to get people talking."

D-STAR IN THE BAROSSA VALLEY THIS EASTER

For anyone interested in D-Star and are travelling to the Barossa Valley this Easter, Nik VK3BA advises that he will set up a D-Star Simplex HotSpot in Tanunda.

The operating frequency will be 438.925MHz in the 70cm band and anyone with a D-Star capable radio are most welcome to use it. Nik hopes that the D-Star HotSpot will be operational from late afternoon of Thursday the 21st of April through to early morning of Wednesday the 27th of April.

Please contact Nik via his email address of vk3ba@wia.org.au if you require any further details.

VK8

This is spud vk8zwm on behalf of the Darwin amateur radio club.

At the club meeting on Wednesday night last we discussed the auction coming up on Saturday night the 16th of April, that's next Saturday night.

Get your preloved gear down to the clubrooms by Thursday lunchtime to allow time to set it up and list it.

No glass screens please.

We will start off the evening with a barbecue tea at 6pm auction at 7pm.

Please advise Spud if you will be there for catering purposes as soon as possible.

The next day will be the national field day and VK8DA will be there.
Rapid creek markets, rapid creek shopping centre Trower road is the place.

Be there at 8am to help setup and stay and be a part of spreading the word about amateur radio to the community.

We will have a remotely controlled HF station there as well as IRLP via node 6343 and EchoLink via node 288680.

We are trying to get our mobile crane mounted HF beam onsite as well.
3 elements 70ft up in the air. Dipoles on the hook. Good stuff.
Keep your ears listening for vk8da on air.

A big working bee over Easter will see a scrape down of the walls and a repaint to tidy them up after this record breaking big wet. Around 2.8 meters of rain so far. Ian vk8ip is in charge. Contact him for information.

And don't forget. The WIA Annual conference is being held over the weekend of 27, 28, 29th of may here in Darwin. Be a part of it, register now and come and meet us in the better part of this great country.
Go to www.wia.org.au and click on the annual conference button to register.
Book your flights and have an eyeball contact or dozen, see the top end and above all enjoy yourselves somewhere a little different.

This has been spud vk8zwm in Darwin
Now its back to the good guys at the national news desk at vk1wia

HOME OF THE GOOD GUYS

Gunshot Victim Finds New Voice With Morse Code

A QRZ forum item drew our attention and makes author KB1EGK certainly "One Of The Good Guys".

"Most of us either love or hate Morse Code, but whatever your thoughts on the subject, I'm sure you'll find this story touching.

KB1EGK's friend Bryan, has created an application to use Morse Code with an iPad, be it still in developmental stage.

You can read the rest of the story, and how Gun Shot victim Philip will be using Morse Code when you visit qrz.com

Briefly it appears the victim (gunshot wound to the left side of head) is very aware of his surroundings, basically it is the motor skills that he lost. He cannot speak and his only usable hand is very awkward BUT he can hit an iPad screen button if it is large (such as 2 - 3 on a screen.), maybe one button for a dit and another for a dah.

Once the application is finalised and can decode Philips CW to printed word he will have "regained" a voice after some for 6 years!

(Andy edited by KB1EGK Yesterday at 04:44 PM qrz.com)

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART and the WW sources of the WIA.

DISASTERS * 2 = FCC OFFERS TECHNICAL EXPERTISE TO JAPAN

The FCC offered its counterpart in Japan any assistance that it might be able to render. This, as recovery efforts continued in the wake of the March 11th earthquake and Tsunami in JA.

The FCC (the US equivalent of our ACMA) soon after a massive earthquake hit Haiti, took a proactive role. This included providing technical assistance on emergency communications as well as passing along offers of help from private industry.

But Japan is a different situation. It's a nation with its own very robust communications system. On the telecommunications front Japan was very well prepared for a situations like this.

Still with disasters, authorities are claiming that the household tap water in Christchurch ZL land is now safe to drink again without boiling.

After the devastating earthquake on 22 February a notice was put out TO BOIL IT.

However, Christchurch residents are still asked to conserve water.

The Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL) choose to put a pattern on the next Martian Rover, named Curiosity.

They are in a pattern of short squares and longer rectangles on the wheels almost like dots and dashes in CW.

According to JPL, Curiosity is about the size of a small SUV -- 10 feet long (not including the arm), 9 feet wide and 7 feet tall -- or about the height of a basketball player -- and weighs 2000 pounds.

It features a geology lab, rocker-bogie suspension, a rock-vaporizing laser and lots of cameras. Curiosity will search areas of Mars for past or present conditions favourable for life and for conditions capable of preserving a record of life.

It is set to launch between November 25 - December 18, 2011 from Cape Canaveral, Florida and will arrive on Mars August, 2012.

The prime mission will last one Mars year, or about 23 Earth months

So what does the pattern JPL choose spell out?

It spell's out in Morse code J P L.

TV SALE OF THE CENTURY

The UK's oldest working television receiver is for sale and it's expected to fetch £5000 at the very least.

The owner, bought it the week after TV transmissions began in November 1936 for £99, 15s. Tragically, the Crystal Palace that housed the TV transmitter burned down only days later, and the device wasn't in use again until 1946.

The 75-year-old set comes with a 12-inch screen and is contained in a walnut and mahogany case with the picture reflected on to a mirror that opens from the top.

It's an incredibly rare variety of TV, as appraiser Laurence Fisher notes:

This is being sold by the late owner's family and is the oldest working TV set in Britain. These sets were really a side effect of our secret radar research and they are very similar inside to the radar. Logie Baird and Marconi had separate companies but used the same people to make the sets, but Marconi became the most popular maker.

This Marconi type-702 TV set even comes with the original invoice.

It'll be sold on April 19 th at Knightsbridge in the UK

FIRED!

A "Suspicious" fire damaged the main transmitter of Little Rock's KUAR last weekend.

A fire marshal was called in following the late Saturday afternoon fire at the site. The station's engineer, after being summoned to the transmitter, found the lock had been replaced and he wasn't able to open it.

It took the fire department to break down the door, and by then the station says the transmitter was "severely damaged with smoke." Things got even more

disturbing: "Officials also discovered that part of the fence around the transmitter building had been pulled back and that copper from the tower was missing."

So here's the possibility of yet another radio station vandalized by copper thieves, who then set a fire to cover their tracks.

KUAR was able to get back on the air from its backup site,

AMAZING BUT TRUE

Reading an online industry paper through the week stumbled across a segment called "Radio Around the World".

3 stories in BOLD type,

SOMALIA: The director and a news editor for Mogadishu's independent Shabelle Radio, held for four days by government forces, now released.

PHILIPPINES: The National Police have solid leads in the murder of Manila's DZME-AM Radio host Marlina Len Sumera, releasing descriptions of three men identified as the gunman, a lookout and an accomplice. Sumera was shot at close range on her way to the radio station.

AUSTRALIA: Sydney's 2Day-FM morning co-host Jackie O broke down on the air after a newspaper editorial criticized her for going back to work so soon after giving birth and feeding her child whilst crossing a busy intersection.

How on earth the Jackie O story rates with terrorism and death is beyond me!

BUT THAT'S RADIO!

WEIRD AND WONDERFUL

Scotch on the Rocks?

Whilst sailing in the midst of Westernport bay the VK7DI team decided to send a special QSL to Lionel VK3NM who was acting as one of their onshore liaison stations.

It was decided that an empty Johnny Walker bottle should be pressed into service and a qsl was scribbled on a sheet of paper and placed in the bottle. The top was sealed and with some ceremony the bottle was cast over the side to be borne by the waves ...

To our surprise about three days later we hear that not only has the QSL been recovered but it was recovered by another amateur Albert VK3KLB who we hope will forward to the QSL to Lionel.

Is this quicker than the QSL Bureau ?

John VK2JJW with the Weird AND Wonderful, another, be it slower scotch story "surfaced" this week.

A charity that recovered a cache of whisky abandoned in Antarctica more than 100 years ago is set to reap a windfall after a Scottish distillery

painstakingly recreated the historic tipple.

The Mackinlay's scotch belonged to British explorer Sir Ernest Shackleton's 1907-08 Antarctic expedition and was left beneath a hut on the frozen continent after his attempt to reach the South Pole failed.

The Christchurch-based Antarctic Heritage Trust (AHT) found the whisky in 2006 and shipped a crate containing 11 bottles to New Zealand last year.

The wooden crate, marked "British Antarctic Expedition 1907", was frozen solid in temperatures of minus 30 degrees Celsius -- but the whisky in the bottles was still liquid.

After the crate was thawed out, Whyte and Mackay, which owns the Mackinlay's brand, analysed it and after 4 years has recreated their masterpiece.

At around $160 per bottle the "new scotch" will give a potential windfall of $400,000 to the Antarctic Heritage Trust at 5% per bottle!

Oh and for those paying attention and noting 11 bottles were found and sent back to ZL " The crate would originally have held 12 bottles but one was missing when it was found, raising the possibility that Shackleton or a colleague helped himself to one to ward off the polar chill."

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2011

Apr 23 ZL/VK 2011 VK/ZL RTTY SPRINT 80 metres

Apr 30 WW Marconi Day 2011

Apr 30 ZL/VK 2011 VK/ZL RTTY SPRINT 40 metres

>From Denis Johnstone Contest Manager for the John Moyle Memorial Field Day.

"So far I have received about 70 logs and there has been plenty of contesting completed during the contest.

Of course having taken part in the contest, which in many cases required you to plan your site, pack and transport, your accommodation, food and equipment.

Then to set up your station.

This was followed by up to 24 hours operation, after which you had to pack up your station and return to your home QTH.

It would be such a shame if you were not to complete the process of completing your log and getting it to me. You can use electronic or snail mail, and the full details are on the Contest Page on wia.org.au

Your log is very important to you, but it is also very important to others as it is with this information I am able to verify the logs of other stations.

So make sure you complete your log and get it to me before the closing date of April 22nd 2011."

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS

GB2RAF back on the air

It has now been confirmed that permanent special event station GB2RAF will be back on the air again from yesterday, Saturday 9th April.

Operations will be from the Air Defence Radar Museum, RAF Neatishead, Norfolk. Due to a Health and Safety fire issue, the Museum had to close down in September 2010 and consequently the permanent special event station GB2RAF has been unable to go on the air since then.

GB2RAF will be back on the air every second Saturday of the month from 10.00 to 16.00, primarily on 80m SSB around 3,710kHz.

For further information contact Terry, G4PSH QTHR or via GB2RAF. Details of both are correct on qrz.com.

International Lighthouse and Lightship weekend

Following the entry of Crookhaven Heads lighthouse on the south coast of New South Wales, for the first time last year, intense interest in the weekend is being shown by various government bodies.

While investigation begins into the rehabilitation of the lighthouse, including a steering committee set up by the Shoalhaven City Council, it will be on air thanks to Ian Newton VK2IAN.

He is among 26 Australian lighthouses registered this year, ahead of Germany on 22, followed by USA on 18 and England with 12. In all 30 countries have listed.

For the first time Lebanon is registered at Manara, Ramkin and Tyr lighthouses, all under the OD5RW callsign.

It will also be nice to have New Caledonia, Le Fare Amedee, who joins us signing FK4WBT, on air for the first time since the year 2000.

The fun event dates back to 1994 when the first Scottish Northern Lighthouses Award Weekend was held and it has continued to grow ever since.

The International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend is on August the 20th and 21st this year, and all enquires via its website ILLW.NET

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

INTRUDER WATCH - ENFORCEMENT ZONE

Region III IARUMS Coordinator Peter Young VK3MV

VK IARUMS reflector email to subscribe intruders@wia.org.au

INTRUDER NETS
Friday 0730 UTC 7.065.5 with VK4CEU David.

Amateur exclusive frequencies where any non-amateur signal is definitely an intruder.

Amateur HF Spectrum world wide
7.050 to 7.100
14.000 to 14.250
14.250 to 14.350 No broadcasters
21.000 to 21.450
24.890 to 24.990
28.000 to 29.700

A South East Queensland woman has spoken out about the dangers of using UHF CB radio frequencies after incidents of stalking and numerous death threats.

The problems started about 10 months ago when she went online to use the UHF channel.

After a few minutes of talking, other users started or followed and threats to her son and to grand-children followed."

She won a good behaviour and peace order against the main offender in November last year, but has said it did not seem to have an effect. Logan District Crime Prevention Unit officer-in-charge Sergeant Debbi Tronc said everyone had to be vigilant in this age of digital communication.

"People should just be aware that it is public (the radio channel) and public means that it's open to thousands of people out there who are listening," she said.

"You wouldn't give out private or personal details to a stranger on the street, so you should treat EVERY public forum in the same way."

Over in Maple Leaf Land, an Ottawa 15 year old has been accused of not only operating a "Pirate FM'er" but of threatening to kill mainstream radio announcers who are said to have critisised his station, music and voice.

The teen testified he launched the radio station on Oct. 31 after buying transmitting equipment. He said he went off the air in December because he planned to get a licence, but went back on air on Dec. 24 when an engineer told him it was "impossible" to get a radio licence in Ottawa.

The teen has pleaded not guilty to violating the Radiocommunication Act as well as four charges of criminal harassment and three counts of uttering threats. He is also charged with assaulting a police officer and obstructing justice.

Www.ottawacitizen.com/news/Death+threat+against+radio+personality+wasn+serious+teen+accused+running+pirate+radio+station/4557931/story.html#ixzz1Ic9CW0rg

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS - ASTRONOMICAL

Britain's Jodrell Bank Observatory has been chosen as the headquarters for a $2 billion effort to build the world's largest radio telescope, astronomers say.

An agreement to put the headquarters of the Square Kilometre Array at Jodrell Bank has been signed in Rome by Australia, China, the Netherlands,

New Zealand, South Africa, France, Germany, Italy and the United Kingdom,
the BBC reported Saturday.

The Square Kilometre Array has been named for the size of its signal
collecting area, but it will not be a radio dish a kilometre across but rather
thousands of smaller ones spread across a wide area.

The location has yet to be determined but the two leading candidates are
Australia and South Africa.

www.upi.com/Science_News/2011/04/04/Largest-telescope-will-have-UK-base/UPI-73351301962674
/#ixzz1IbWpyIIQ

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FEMALES IN RADIO
ALARA - AUSTRALIAN LADIES AR ASSOCIATION
http://alara.org.au
Net is held each Mondays on 3.570 MHz, commencing at 1030 UTC.
(1000utc during daylight saving)
geencee@picknowl.com.au

In this months ALARA news letter Tina the President gives a special thank you
to Margaret VK4AOE from Dalby who has been on the committee for 30 years and
Treasurer for 11 of those years.

Margaret has kept ALARA going with much of her work done during January when
there isn't even a committee meeting to give her guidance.

She has also been a helpful source of information about procedures which have
kept all at ALARA legal and out of trouble with the powers that be.

Oh and Margaret, VK4AOE has also looked after this WIA News and QNEWS
call-backs from Dalby each week so thanks from us as well Margaret!

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

AMSAT-VK UNOFFICIAL HF Net.
2nd Sunday each month.
April through October 1000 UTC 3.685 MHz
November through March 0900 UTC 7.068 MHz

N4S - Special Event:
50 yrs First Man in Space / 30 yrs of STS-1 - April 12:

The Soyuz capsule carrying two Russians and an American successfully docked
with the International Space Station, after a two-day journey, docking
automatically 0909 AEST Thursday.

"Soyuz TMA-21 'Gagarin' docked with the Russian MIM-2 module.

The spaceship named after the first man in space Yuri Gagarin in honour of
his historic flight 50 years ago.

The mission is centrepiece of celebrations for the half century of manned
spaceflight, the crew carried a recording of the famous radio exchanges
between Gagarin in his tiny capsule and chief Soviet rocket designer

Sergei Korolyov on the ground from half a century ago.

Yes it was 50 years since the First Man in Space, Russian pilot Yuri Gagarin, who April 12, 1961 was the first human being to go into space on an 108 minute flight, and the first flight of the Space Shuttle Columbia Sunday morning on April 12th, 1981, known as mission STS-1, opening what is called the Shuttle era.

The Special Event callsign N4S will be on the air to remember these two events:

one which changed the course of history, and the other helped expand our knowledge of the space sciences and in the construction of the International Space Station (ISS).

The Special Event will be active on the HF bands from 80 to 10 meters on SSB.

A special electronic certificate will be issued for this occasion.

For information go to www.qrz.com/db/wp3gw or write to wp3gw@arrl.net

(Ganesh VU2TS)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RADIO SCOUTING
http://www.scouts.com.au
http://www.scout.org/jota
http://www.international.scouts.com.au

CALLING FREQUENCIES
Please QSY off the calling frequency after establishing communication.

Australian voice calling frequencies:
3.650, 7.090, 14.190, 21.190, 28.590, 52.160

World CW calling frequencies:
3.570, 7.030, 14.060, 18.080, 21.140, 24.910, 28.180, 50.160

World voice calling frequencies:
3.690 & 3.940 MHz, 7.090 & 7.190, 14.290, 18.140, 21.360, 24.960, 28.390, 50.160

Calling frequencies for Slow Scan TV (SSTV):
3.630, 7.033, 14.227

Calling Frequencies for PSK31
14.070

The World Organization of the Scout Movement is hosting a contest to design the Logo of this years edition of the Jamboree-On-The-Air.

Scouts around the world are invited to submit their design.

This logo will be the official logo of the event, but will also be used as the official badge to be worn by Scouts taking part in the 54th Jamboree-On-The-Air that will be held 15-16 October 2011.

http://www.scout.org/

SOCIAL SCENE

2011

Apr 9 vk6 Hills Amateur Radio Group HARGFEST at club rooms Lesmurdie.
(HARGFEST. i.e., Hamfest run by HARG)

Apr 18 WW "Amateur Radio: The first technology-based social network"
World Amateur Radio Day, April 18 and WIA Field Day.

Apr 23-24 VK2 Urunga Radio Convention Senior Citz Hall Bowra street

Apr 30 - May 1 Clairview Gathering contact Clive VK4ACC of RADAR Club
04 2963 2815.

May 7 VK4 Brisbane Amateur Radio Club's BARCfest, Mt. Gravatt Show
grounds, 1600 Logan Road, Upper Mt. Gravatt 9:30AM
email vk4so@wia.org.au

May 27-29 WIA AGM Weekend in Darwin
secretary@wia.org.au

Jun 10 - 12 VK4 Far North and North Queensland Amateur Radio Gathering at
King Reef Resort Kurrimine Beach.

Jun 11 - 12 VK2 Oxley Region Amateur Radio Club annual Field Day

Jul 16 VK3 Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club Hamfest
Cranbourne Community Hall 10am (secretary@ggrec.org.au)

Jul 16 VK4 Maryborough Electronics and Radio Group "Wide Bay Hamfest"
West Scout Hall, Ariadne St, Maryborough 8:30am.
secretary@merg.org.au

Jul 31 VK2/3 Riverina Field Day 10am at Lavington Scout Group Hall.

Aug 7 VK2 Lismore region - SARCFEST

Sep 11 VK3 SADARC Comms Day at St Augustine's Hall Shepparton 10am.

Sep 16-18 VK4 NQ Amateur Radio Convention Date Set Townsville

Sep 23-28 R3 Region 3 ARDF Championship Bendigo VK3
http://r3.ardf.org.au/

Sep 30-Oct 2 VK4 Central Highlands Amateur Radio Club AGM at Camp Fairbairn
CONTACT Secretary Gordon, (vk4kal@wia.org.au)

Nov 20 vk5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society Hamfest
Goodwood Community Centre, Rosa St Goodwood at 0930.
Visit www.ahars.com.au for contact details

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15TH IARU REGION 3 CONFERENCE hosted by V.A.R.C. in Ho-Chi-Minh City, Vietnam.

JAN 23-FEB 17 YEAR 2012
World Radio Conference WRC-11 Geneva 23rd January TO 17th February 2012

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YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-08 09:00:19 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20110408090006.03AAF33C27@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4662
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1756 - April 8 2011

Please note that this is an extended Amateur Radio Newsline report and contains three breaks.

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1756 with a release date of Friday, April 8, 2011 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. One of the sponsors of H R 607 promises to keep the ham radio public informed of the measures progress through congress, the sun heats up with a solar flare and Aurora, the FCC previews its newly redesigned website and the nominating period for the 2011 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award is now open. Find out the details on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1756 coming your way right now.

(Billboard Cart Here)

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RADIO LAW: CO-SPONSOR OF HR-607 MEETS WITH MISSOURI HAMS

U.S. Representative Billy Long of Missouri has assured ham radio operators that he will keep them informed about a bill that contains a provision to sell a band of frequencies that they use heavily for emergency service work. Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, is in our Newsroom with more:

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According to an article in the Springfield News Leader newspaper, Representative Long made the statement after a meeting with a group of Missouri radio amateurs from his home district.

Billy Long is a co-sponsor of H.R. 607. This is a measure introduced by New York Representative Peter King who is the chairman of the Committee on Homeland Security.

As previously reported, the bill is intended to unite the communications capabilities of first responders by reallocating certain frequencies in the 700 MHz band specifically for their use. But another part of the bill would sell off 420 to 440 MHz to the highest bidder. This, to make up for lost revenue in the give away of the 700 MHz spectrum for interoperable, first response radio use.

Long says that right now, the bill is in its initial stages and that meetings like this is one with the ham radio community of many ways to

address any concerns. Long promised that he will continue to listen to ensure that we are not cutting any vital emergency services and not adversely affecting ham radio operators.

Rod Kittleman, K0ADI is the ARRL's Information Officer in Southwestern Missouri. He was present at the meeting and is quoted by the newspaper as saying that he believes that Long is trying to do the right thing.

K0ADI went on to say that he believes that Representative Long understood where the ham radio community was coming from and that he reassured us he will do everything he can to keep the ham radio community informed. But at the same time, he did not guarantee that spectrum would not be taken away.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the Newsroom in Los Angeles.

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The bottom line. If nothing else this meeting between Representative Billy Long and the Missouri ham community has made one of the bill's co sponsors aware of the negative impact that selling off 420 to 450 MHz would have on overall emergency communications during a time of public need. (Springfield.com, others)

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PROPAGATION: SOLAR RADIO STORM COULD MEAN IMPROVED PROPAGATION

Some good news for hams awaiting the return of decent propagation. Spaceweather reported on March 28th that a large number of emerging sunspots has kicked off what it termed as days-long radio storm on the sun. According to the on-line newsletter, VHF receivers on Earth were picking up loud bursts that sound like waves crashing on a beach. Spaceweather says that this ongoing event continues a recent trend of increasing activity as Solar Cycle 24 heats up.

Then over the weekend of April 2nd and 3rd a solar wind stream hit that Earth's magnetic field over the weekend of sent a wave of deep sky auroras over northern tier of the United States. According to Spaceweather dot com, the Northern Lights were pale-white to the naked eye, but digital cameras revealed spectacular colors and luminous shapes above Wisconsin, Michigan, Minnesota, and elsewhere.

Meantime, on the ground some hams on 6 meters and above heard or made contact with distant stations not usually heard on these bands. You can easily tell a contact made via aurora propagation by its raspy C-W note or gargely voice sound.

For images and audio go to www.spaceweather.com. (Spaceweather)

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RESTRUCTURING: SARL SAYS NEW SOUTH AFRICAN HAM RADIO REGULATIONS HAVE ERRORS

The new South African radio regulations that were published on March 31st and came into effect on April 1st are causing concern to that nation's ham radio community. This is because a number of mistakes have crept in, which telecommunications regulator I-C-A-S-A is reportedly working on to rectify as soon as possible.

According to the South African Radio League, the problem is with the new regulation for the Class B or Zed-U license is incorrect. This is because the word "under" was left out before the words 20 years. The leads to a situation where if you are over 20 years of age you cannot apply for a class B license. If you have a class B qualification you will be able to keep a Zed-U license until you reach 25, when the license is automatically canceled.

The position of current Zed-U license holders has not been finalized. I-C-A-S-A is likely to allow a two year grace period for those over 25 with a class B qualification to upgrade their to a class A. To upgrade means having to sit for the class A examination.

Meantime, on the other side, those who hold the Zed-R prefix now have the same privileges as a Zed-S license holders meaning that the upgrade process falls away. But it seems that the new table of amateur radio frequency allocation is incorrect. Both Zed-R and Zed-S should follow the same frequencies and power limits. Zed-R license holders do not have to change their callsign. (SARL)

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MILITARY RADIO: SHORTWAVE AIMED AT LIBYAN VESSEL COMMANDERS

And it appears that radio has gone to war in Libya. This with reports that High Frequency radio transmissions are reportedly playing a major role in the U-N's Operation Odyssey Dawn.

According to international shortwave news reports, 6 point 877 MHz is being used as an airborne announce channel, possibly from a Commando Solo Aircraft. The messages being broadcast are aimed at commanding Libyan naval officers. They reportedly and not so subtly order them not to board their ships.

The Milcom Monitoring Post website has been reporting on the use of High Frequency radio in the enforcement of the no fly zone. More is on-line at tinyurl.com/5wca737. (WIA)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the Three Rivers Amateur Radio Club repeater serving Philadelphia Pennsylvania.

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC ISSUES OFFICIAL CITATION OVER CABLE TV LEAKAGE

A cable company has been cited by the FCC for excessive leakage at frequencies that could affect the ability of aircraft to communicate and navigate. Amateur Radio Newsline's Fred Vobbe, W8HDU, has the details:

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The FCC has issued an official Citation to Jerry Fuller doing business as Custom Cable of Russellville, Alabama. This, for exceeding signal leakage limits in aeronautical frequency bands in violation of section 76.605(a)(12) of the Commission's Rules.

According to the Citation, an investigation by the Enforcement Bureau's Atlanta Office revealed that on February 15, 2011, Custom Cable utilized a non-cable, multichannel video programming distributor system which was emitting radio carrier signals above allowed limits on frequency bands utilized by aeronautical services. At the time of the inspections, agents from the Atlanta Office measured excessive signal leakage on the frequency of 121.2625 in the Aeronautical Radio band.

As a result, the FCC has ordered Custom Cable to take immediate steps to come into compliance and to avoid any recurrence of this misconduct. The FCC added that any future violations of its rules in this regard may subject your company to substantial monetary penalties, seizure of equipment, and criminal sanctions.

Reporting from Lima, Ohio, I'm Fred Vobbe, W8HDU.

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Custom Cable was given the appropriate time to remedy the situation and to reply to the FCC. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: VAN NUYS CA STORE WARNED TO TURN OFF CELLPHONE JAMMER

The FCC has issued a Notice of Unauthorized Operation and Interference to EDN Aviation of Van Nuys, California. This, for allegedly operating a cellphone jamming device on its premises.

According to the FCC, back on January 10th agents from the Enforcement Bureau's Los Angeles Office visited the business location. At that time they detected radio signals in the 1.8 to 2.0 GHz range emanating from a radio transmitter. The Los Angeles agents determined that the business was operating a radio transmitting device designed to jam or intentionally interfere with licensed radio communications in the cellular and personal communications service.

According to the FCC, its agents did attempt to inspect the device. Subsequent to that attempted inspection, operation of the device ceased.

Now in its March 18th Notice, the FCC tells EDN Aviation that unauthorized operation of the transmitting device must not resume. It also warns EDN that the operation of the device may constitute a violation of Sections 333, 302(b), and 301 of the Communications Act. Such operation may subject the company to substantial monetary forfeitures, seizure of the offending radio equipment, and criminal sanctions.

EDN was given the customary 10 days to respond to the FCC with any information that it believed relevant to the warning notice. That time period has now passed. No word yet from the FCC if EDN responded or what the company may have said. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT TECHNOLOGY: TRACER SOFTWARE LEADS TO RECOVERY OF STOLEN COMPUTERS

Los Angeles, California Police say that they have tracked down three people whom they allege to have stolen nine computers from the Open Charter Magnet School in the Westchester area. This thanks to a new form of security software installed on the machines.

According to police, the computers were stolen between March 9 and 10 at the campus on 77th Street in the city of Westchester. The suspects were unaware that the computers were equipped with the security software. As soon as one of the machines was turned on and connected to the Internet, it monitored and recorded the location via GPS. It also took photographs of the user and then sent this information off to authorities.

Detectives from the Los Angeles Police Department tracked down one of the suspects on March 12th. A further investigation led them to two others. So far, four of the stolen computers have been recovered. (Published news reports)

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COMMUNICATIONS ON THE WWW: FCC LAUNCHES NEW WEBSITE IN BETA TEST

The Federal Communications Commission has launched a complete overhaul of the agency's web site. In making the announcement the regulatory agency says that the new design will improve and simplify the FCC website experience for consumers, government, public safety agencies and the business community.

The Commission says that its new web site design was shaped by public feedback and sharpened through an ongoing conversation with users over the past several months. It also represents the Commission's first overhaul of its main web site in more than a decade. You can try it for yourself at beta dot fcc dot gov. (FCC)

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RADIO EDUCATION: ARRL TO SPONSOR FOUR 2011 TEACHERS WIRELESS WORKSHOPS

The ARRL Education Services Department has announced the 2011 schedule for the Teachers Institute on Wireless Technology workshop. Offered through the ARRL's Education & Technology Program, the Teachers Institute is a four-day, expenses paid in-residence learning opportunity designed for motivated teachers and other school staff who want to learn more about wireless technology and bring that knowledge to their students.

There are four ARRL Teachers Institute sessions scheduled for 2011. These are June 13th to the 16th in Albuquerque, New Mexico; June 20th to the 23rd at Parallax Inc. in Rocklin, California; July 11th to the 14th at the Mohawk Valley Community College in Utica, New York, and July 18th to the 21st at ARRL Headquarters in Newington, Connecticut. The deadline to apply for the New Mexico and California sessions is April 15th. The deadline for the New York and Connecticut sessions is May 15th.

In addition, the Dayton Amateur Radio Association will once again host and sponsor a TI-2 session on Space in the Classroom. That one will be held in Dayton, Ohio from July 11th to the 14th. The application deadline for this one is is May 15.

All information about the Teachers Institutes, including the application and a downloadable brochure is available online at tinyurl.com/3exzpj. (ARRL)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: RSGB GENERAL MANAGER G0TTW RESIGNS

Some names in the news. The Radio Society of Great Britain says that it's General Manager Peter Kirby, G0TTW, has left the organizations employment. In a March 28th statement released under the signature of the organizations President Dave Wilson, M0OhBW, says that Kirby departed following the discovery of financial irregularities on his part. The release says that RSGB Director Don Beattie, G3BJ, will act as interim General Manager. Wilson's message goes on to ask that at this difficult time for the Radio Society of Great Britain, that all society members support G3BJ in his new role. (RSGB)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: K1ARK HONORED BY COLLEGE OF SPORTS INFORMATION DIRECTORS OF AMERICA

Meantime on this side of the Atlantic, word that Bill Smith, K1ARK, of Fayetteville, Arkansas, has been named to receive the Bob Kenworthy Community Service Award by the College of Sports Information Directors of America. Smith is being recognized for his decade as a volunteer to the Washington County Department of Emergency Management assisting with county weather emergency communications and for his work as the

volunteer Public Information Officer for the Director of New Media with Advanced P10 certification from FEMA.

The College of Sports Information Directors of America is a national organization comprised of the sports public relations, communications and information professionals throughout all levels of collegiate athletics in the United States and Canada. The Bob Kenworthy Community Service Award is presented annually to a member for civic involvement and accomplishments outside of the sports information office. Bill Smith, K1ARK, will be honored at the at the organization's annual convention in June. (ARRL Public Relations Reflector)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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CHANGING OF THE GUARD: AMATEUR RADIO NEWSLINE CO-FOUNDER BILL ORENSTEIN, KH6QX - SK

The changing of the guard continues and this time it hits pretty close to home. This as we learn of the passing of one of Amateur Radio Newsline's co-founders and its longtime Production Coordinator Bill Orenstein, KH6QX. Again, our producer Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF:

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Its not easy to write a final goodbye to someone who has been a friend for almost four decades, but Ill try.

I first met Bill Orenstrin, in 1972 shortly after my wife and I move to Los Angeles. And as I got to know him, I learned that he was first licensed in his hometown of Los Angeles, California, in the late 1950's as K6ZSW. Bill also became interested in broadcasting as a teen.

Bill eventually landed a job with the ABC Television Network where he spent several years as an Audio Engineer before accepting a job at the rival National Broadcasting Company at its West coast headquarters in Burbank, California. There he worked on numerous live and "live to tape" network specials featuring such talent as the legendary Frank Sinatra and stand up comics like Bill Cosby and the late Flip Wilson. Later, Bill also had a regular gig as the audience Public Address Mixing Engineer on the "Tonight Show with Johnny Carson" and "The Gong Show." And it was also during this time he adopted Hawaii as his second home and turned in K6ZSW to become KH6IAF and years later KH6QX.

As those of you who were around in the late 1970's may remember, Gong Show host and Producer Chuck Barris had the habit of creating on-air talent from members of the shows crew. Perhaps the best known was Stage Manager Eugene Patton who became known as "Gene Gene the Dancing Machine." In a like manner, Bill Orenstein was tapped by Barris as the character "Weird Wille." As Weird Willie, Bill's job was to appear just before a commercial break and leer stoically and silently at Barris as the latter made jokes about the character Bill was portraying. For the rest of his life, Bill used that pseudonym or some derivation of it and carried it as a kind of badge of pride. If you asked him why, his answer would be: "...how many of you can claim a famous TV producer like Chuck Barris gave you your nickname?"

After the Gong Show left the air, Bill continued as the Public Address Engineer on the Tonight show until he was tapped by NBC Network Radio to take on the Engineering position of its then brand new young adult contemporary radio network called "The Source." "The Source" was filled with newscasts and features focusing on 18- to 34-year-olds. When it was sold to Westwood One Radio in August 1987, Bill remained at NBC News working with most of the well known network news people of the era including the late NBC News Science Correspondent Roy Neal, K6DUE.

In the world of amateur radio, Bill is best known as one of those behind the 1977 creation of the "second generation" of the Westlink Radio Network which eventually was renamed Amateur Radio Newsline. In 1981 Bill Orenstein and I co-shared the Dayton Hamvention Special Achievement Award for - and I quote from the plaque on my wall -- "The Development and Operation of the Westlink Radio Network." Bill was also co-creator of the late 1970's era "CARS Program" in which radio amateurs became the extra eyes and ears of the Los Angeles Police Department in the then heavily crime-ridden Hollywood and North Hollywood areas.

In the late 1980's Bill retired from both NBC and Westlink Radio due to health reasons and eventually relocated with his family to Hawaii where he lived out the remainder of his life. Over the years he continued to file news reports for Westlink and then in our later incarnation as Amateur Radio Newsline. Most usually dealt with ham radio emergency preparedness and emergency response on the Island state. He was also with Hawaii's famed Emergency Amateur Radio Club and at one time served on its governing board.

I last saw Bill a few years ago when he was in Los Angeles to attend his sons college graduation. After that it was only on the phone. And now, its time to say a final 73 to a guy who was an important part of my life for almost forty years. Not easy to do, but I hope I have succeeded.

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Bill Orenstein was age 75 when he passed away on Wednesday, March 30th at his home in Honolulu. He is survived by his son Jon. At airtime, plans for a memorial service at Temple Emanu-El in Honolulu, Hawaii,

are pending. (ARNewsline)

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CHANGING OF THE GUARD: INDUSTRIAL COMMUNICATIONS ENGINEERS FOUNDER MIKE KOSS, W9SU - SK

A mid-West legend in amateur radio has also passed from the scene. Amateur Radio Newsline's Jack Parker, W8ISH, has the story of Mike Koss, W9SU:

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Mike Koss, W9SU, of Indianapolis, Indiana, passed away Monday, March 28. According to his friend Brian Smith, W9IND, Koss was found on his workshop floor and paramedics were unable to revive him.

Koss is the founder of Industrial Communication Engineers. He is well known in the Amateur Radio and in the commercial radio communities for his surge protectors, line filters, RF switches and more.

Koss is known as being the heart and soul of the Indianapolis Motor Speedway Amateur Radio Club, He designed and maintained one of the best Amateur Radio stations in the Midwest -- the one responsible for cranking out the big signals of Indy 500 Special Event Station W9IMS. Mike was also the driving force behind Special Event Station W87PAX, which commemorated the 1987 Pan American Games in Indianapolis. The station logged more than 23,000 QSOs. Koss was also an avid Dxer. HIs 10 meter CQWW record for the 9th Call Area, set in 1989, remains unequalled.

Mike Koss also was actively involved in public service activities: Just last year, he spearheaded a volunteer project that cleaned up and repainted the USS Indianapolis Memorial in downtown Indianapolis, this coming just in time for the survivors' reunion. History tells us the ship was torpedoed in 1945, and only 317 of the original eleven hundred and ninety-six crew members survived the sinking and subsequent shark attacks over a five day period in the Pacific Ocean.

In 2005 Koss was awarded the prestigious Technical Excellence Award for his contributions to the Amateur Radio community. And now, at age 57, Mike Koss W9SU, is a silent key.

>From Indianapolis, this is Jack Parker W8ISH

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Koss will be long remembered for his many contributions to telecommunications and his service to the ham radio community. Services for W9SU were to be held in Whiteland, Indiana, on Saturday, April 3rd. (W8ISH)

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BREAK 3

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, this is the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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WORLDBEAT: MAJOR CUTS TO HIT THE BBC WORLD SERVICE

Some major cutbacks are coming to one of the worlds best known international shortwave broadcasters. To meet a United Kingdom government mandated 16 percent funding cut, the B-B-C World Service is eliminating five languages, ending radio distribution for seven more and slashing medium and shortwave radio distribution. This, in favor of FM, TV and the so-called online new media.

The cuts will amount to an annual savings of about $74 million by April 2014. At that point all World Service funding will be switched from governmental grants through to the same domestic license fee that funds B-B-C services across the U-K. 650 out of a total 2400 B-B-C World Service jobs will be eliminated.

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RADIO IN SPACE: NASA ASKS YOU TO VOTE ON ASTRONAUT WAKE-UP SONG

NASA is offering the public a chance to vote for your favorite tunes to be played as the wake up song during the STS-134 mission, which is currently scheduled to launch on April 19th. Voting will be open until mission launch day. You can listen to the songs nominated and cast your vote at tinyurl.com/4peh55m

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: ARISSAT-1 TO BE ON THE AIR TO CELEBRATE GAGARINS FLIGHT

The ARISSat-1 satellite, presently still inside the ISS, will be turned on and use an external antenna from the afternoon of April 11th through the morning of April 13th. This, to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Yuri Gagarin's first manned space flight.

The transmissions on the 12th will see ARISSat-1 in low power mode This means 40 to 60 seconds on and 2 minutes off. Event planners say that this should be a challenge for hams on the ground to find and tune the CW signal then decode some B-P-S-K data during the short on times. As an aside, this mode was developed to be used when the batteries are low or the satellite is in eclipse.

AMSAT says that it will also support this event and issue certificates to those stations reporting reception of the ARISSat-1 signals. Russia's Roscosmos space management agency has announced that ARISSat-1

will be deployed into orbit during the next space walk in July of this year. (WA4SXM)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: N4S TO COMMEMORATE GAGARIN FLIGHT AND LAUNCH OF STS-1

Meantime, special event station N-4-S will be on the air on April 12th to commemorate the 50 years since Russia'a Yuri Gagarin became the first man in space on April 12th, 1961. The operation also honors the first flight of the Space Shuttle Columbia, known as S-T-S One, that took place two decades later on April 12th, 1981. N-4-S will be active on 80 through 10 meters using SSB as well as the KP4IA FM repeater and 147.48 MHz simplex for local contacts across Puerto Rico. A special electronic certificate will be issued for this occasion. For information go to www.qrz.com/db/wp3gw or write to wp3gw (at) arrl (dot) net. (WP3GW)

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ON THE AIR: ISWL CELEBRATES ITS 65TH ANNIVERSARY

And the International Short Wave League is celebrating its 65th anniversary with a pair of special events stations. GB65ISWL will be on the air for the weekend of April 16th to the 17th. Operation will begin around 1800 hours on Friday, April 15th using S-S-B and P-S-K. The primary operator will be G6XOU.

Then PA0FAW will operate as PC65ISWL between May 1st and the 28th. Activity will be mainly on the digital modes and CW, with some SSB. QSL information for both callsigns will be on QRZ.com. More about the Internartional Short Wave League is on-line at www dot iswl dot org dot uk. (ISWL)

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In DX, word that G3KHZ has organized a 6th trip to Papua New Guinea to activate more Islands on the Air. Destinations include Feni Island, Nuguria and Green Island. Two members will then will go to Louisiade after the main DXpedition is finished between. Activity will be on all HF bands, including 6 meters, using CW, SSB and RTTY. For updates and more complete details, watch the expedition Web page at p29ni.weebly.com

IK8DNJ has just obtained authorization to be active stroke HI7 between April 30th and May 13th. All operation will be be holiday style on 40 through 10 meters using SSB and the digital modes. QSL via IZ8LKL.

JA1IFB says that the planned operation from Bhutan has been cancelled their April 19-26th operation due to the earthquake and tsunami hitting the JA7 district on March 11th. Look for this operation to possibly be

rescheduled for some later date.

The "DX-World.Net" reports that N2WB, is planning to be active stroke HR5 from Honduras between April 20th and May 4th. QSL via N2OO.

The I2YSB DXpedition team is now active as 5M2TT from Liberia until April 13th. The group plans to use 3 stations for the HF bands and one for the 50 MHz band that includes a beacon and cubical quad antenna. Modes include CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via I2YSB.

The upcoming September 2011 Timor-Leste DXpedition has received the callsign 4W6A from the governing licensing authorities. 4W6A will operate from Atauro Island in East Timor from September 16th to the 26th. Activity will be on 160 through 10 meters, using CW, SSB and RTTY. The QSL manager is M0URX.

Lastly if you DX the birds, then look for KL7CN to be active in a holiday-style DXpedition on the FM satellites from various Caribbean locations. He will start at KP4 and then operate maritinme mobilefrom as many grids as we can. That will be followed by a stint portable J6 then as V25CN. Several other Caribbean stops are planned. QSL as directed on the air.

(Above from various DX News Sources)

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THE NOMINATION PERIOD FOR THE 2011 AMATEUR RADIO NEWSLINE YOUNG HAM OF THE YEAR NOW OPEN

And finally this week, its time to announce that the nominating period for the year 2011 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award is now open. Created by us back in 1986, this award is offered to recognize one young United States or Canadian radio amateur age 18 or younger for his or her contributions to society through Amateur Radio.

As in years past, the 2011 recipient will receive an expense paid trip to the Huntsville Hamfest in Huntsville Alabama courtesy of Vertex-Standard Corporation which produces Yaesu brand amateur radio gear. Vertex-Standard will also present this years winner with a special ham radio related gift. CQ Magazine will again treat the recipient to a week at Spacecamp-Huntsville. We at Amateur Radio Newsline will present the winner with a plaque honoring his or her achievements.

All nominations and materials required by the official rules must be received by ARNewsline before June 30, 2011. A downloadable nominating form is at our website at www.arnewsline.org. A nominating form can also be obtained by sending a request along with a self addressed stamped envelope to the Young Ham of the Year Award in care of Amateur Radio Newsline, Inc. 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California 91350.

Again, the cutoff date for this year's Young Ham of the Year Award nominations is June 30th. We ask you to do your part by nominating a young ham who has done something special related to ham radio. The nomination form is at www.arnewsline.org (ARNewsline(tm))

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editor's desk, I'm Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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Source record: 4663
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 10th April 2011

The news headlines:

* RSGB AGM to be held in Derby on 14 May

* QSL bureau changes

* T32C DXpedition raffle

Don't forget, the 84th RSGB AGM will be held in the Menzies Mickleover Court, Etwall Road, Mickleover, Derby DE3 0XX on Saturday 14 May, commencing at 12 noon. Doors will open from 11 until 11.45am for registration. After lunch there will be an Open Forum at 2pm. Why not make it a full day out and join us for dinner? After the AGM there will a dinner in celebration of amateur radio. Join the President, Dave Wilson, M0OBW and members of the Board for a splendid social evening in the true traditions of amateur radio. Tickets are available from the online RSGB shop, priced £26.

Roy Walsh, G4ZNK is stepping down as volunteer manager for the M zero D to M zero F QSL card series. The Society wishes to thank him for his service to his fellow amateurs and welcomes his replacement Jim Steel, M0ZAK. All cards and envelopes are being transferred to M0ZAK who is QTHR. Details can also be found on the RSGB website or via the RSGB QSL bureau.

CDXC is running a raffle in support of the T32C DXpedition. There is one prize, a Yaesu FT-950 transceiver that sells for around £1,290. This prize is sponsored by Martin Lynch & Sons, Nevada Radio and Yaesu UK. ML&S is also supplying a 30A power supply. Contact the promoter Neville Cheadle, G3NUG for details, email g3nug@btinternet.com or 01568 750 560. The draw will take place on 26 August just prior to the DXpedition.

The Reunion of the Radio Security Service ex-members on Sunday 17 April in the Mansion at Bletchley Park will include an illustrated lecture on how radio amateurs helped to win the war. More than a thousand amateur radio volunteers listened on the short wave bands, in secret in their own homes, for illicit signals in the UK. What they uncovered were the transmitters of the German Secret Service operating all over Europe and beyond. Besides penetrating the most secret aspects of the service they also learnt about spies sent here. Some of them were 'turned' to work for us under the supervision of radio amateurs, notably Ronnie Reed,

G2RX. More can be found at http://secretlisteners.org.

On 3 April a new distance record set for optical communication by a group of radio amateurs from North-East England. The distance worked was just a few metres short of 90km. Signals were exchanged on FM and SSB at remarkable strengths. The contact was made from Race Head in County Durham, which is locator IO94VS to Danby Moor near Whitby, which is locator IO84NK. The team at Race Head included two stations, Stuart, G8CYW running the transverter and LED transceiver of his design featured in recent articles in RadCom, and Brian, G8KPD also running his version of the designs, plus separate receive and transmit heads. The station on Danby Moor was operated by Rob, M0DTS using his version of the transverter featured in RadCom. To commemorate the 50th anniversary of the first man in space, Russian pilot Yuri Gagarin, on 12 April 1961, and the anniversary of the first flight of the Space Shuttle Columbia on 12 April 1981, special event station N4S will be on the air. The station will be active on the HF bands from 10m to 80m on SSB. A special electronic certificate will be issued for this occasion. For information go to WP3GW on qrz.com.

Arissat-1 will be activated inside the ISS on that same day, 12 April, and will send voice messages and slow scan TV images, plus CW and data from the new PSK1000 mode on the frequency 145.950MHz. For more info go to www.amsat.org.

The International Short Wave League is celebrating its 65th anniversary in 2011. GB65ISWL will be on the air over the weekend of 16 and 17 April. Activity will start around 1800 hours on Friday, April 15th. Modes will be SSB and the PSK modes. Main operator will be Herbie, G6XOU.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

Today, Sunday 10 April, it's the Cambridgeshire Repeater Group Annual Rally at Foxton Village Hall, Hardman Road, Foxton, Cambridge CB22 6RN. There is talk-in on S22 in advance of the 10am start, trade stands, a Bring & Buy and catering. Entry is £2. Contact Lawrence, M0LCM, on 01223 654880 for more information.

Also on today, Sunday 10 April, is the Northern Amateur Radio Societies Association Exhibition, also known as the Blackpool rally. Held at Norbreck Castle Exhibition Centre, Blackpool FY2 9AA, it opens at 10.45 for disabled visitors and 11am for everyone else. Car parking is available, there are trade stands, an RSGB book stall, Bring & Buy, club and special interest stands. For more information contact Dave, M0OBW, on 01270 761 608.

Over the weekend of 16 and 17 April, Jim, M0JHW will be holding another of his field days at the Sports & Social Club, Harlaxton, Grantham NG32 1HX. There will be plenty of tea and coffee and a BBQ in the afternoon. All are invited to come and meet old friends and make new ones. There will also be ample opportunity to play radio. Details from Jim by email

to m0jhwjim@aol.co.uk.

At the next Kempton Rally at Kempton Park Race Course on Sunday 17 April, Radiofairs will be holding a group of technical clinics that are designed to help newcomers and old timer alike with any amateur radio problems. The clinics will be held in the quiet lecture theatre area and will be available all day. The amongst the topics covered will be EMC problems and solutions, how to get started in amateur radio, getting started in contesting and improving your results, antenna advice, home brew advice and a rig basic health check. Details are available on the internet at www.radiofairs.co.uk.

Past RSGB President, Angus Annan, MM1CCR, will be speaker and a guest of honour at the Pearl Anniversary Lough Erne Rally on 17 April. His busy programme includes a talk about the National Radio Centre at Bletchley Park, the presentation of the Regional Club of the Year Award to Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club and certificates of congratulation to the Club's nine new Intermediate licensees. Further details at www.lougherneradioclub.co.uk.

Also on Sunday 17 April the Andover Radio Amateur Club Boot Sale will take place at Wildhern Village Hall and Playing Field, north of Andover just off the A343 at SP11 0JE. Entry is £1.50, with vendors £6 per boot/table or £8 inside the hall. Details from Martin, M0MWS on 01980 612070. Now for the news of special events

On 12 April, GB4SWF will be on the air from the Speyside Whiskey Festival in Banffshire. Then, on 15 April, GB4SG will be on the air for St George's Day from Northampton and MI0RTX will put GB0AVB will be on the air from County Antrim promoting the work of artificial voice boxes. On 16 April Grantham radio amateurs are putting GB0GRA on the air.

GB4FPR is participating in this year's Marine Radio Day event over 14 and 15 April from 1200 to 1200UTC from Fort Perch Rock Marine Radio Museum. Whilst using the normal amateur frequencies they will also be transmitting on 502/503kHz CW and replying on same frequencies to suitably equipped stations and crossband replies on 3570 or 7030kHz to non suitably equipped stations depending on operational conditions. Signal reports are welcomed. QSLs to M0BZZ direct or via the bureau.

And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

The September 2011 Timor-Leste DXpedition has now received its callsign, 4W6A, from ARCOM, the licensing authority in Dili. The team is very grateful to ARCOM for issuing this special one-letter callsign for use on the DXpedition. The DXpedition has a website at www.4W6A.com, which includes profiles of the team members, propagation predictions and lots of information about Timor-Leste and Atauro Island, the location of the DXpedition.

A major IOTA expedition that incorporates several different IOTA references in Papua New Guinea has just started and the team are

currently Nuguria Islands, IOTA reference OC-257, where the call P29NI will be used until 14 April. This is followed by the Green Islands, IOTA reference OC-231, where they will use P29VLR from 15 to 18 April.

Dave, EI9FBB will pay a short visit to Monaco later this month and will be active as 3A/EI9FBB from 20 &#65533; 22 April. Operation will be mainly in the afternoons and logs will be uploaded to Logbook of the World and eQSL.

Craig, VK4LDX will be on the air from Magnetic Island, which is IOTA reference OC-171, from 17 to 20 April. He plans to operate SSB, PSK41 and RTTY. He will use the call VK4LDX/P.

Now the contest news

The 432MHz UK Activity Contest is taking place on Tuesday 12 April from 1900 to 2130UTC. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

On Wednesday 13 April, the 80m Club Championships SSB leg is taking place between 1900 and 2030UTC. The exchange is signal report and serial number.

On Saturday 16 April the Spring EU Sprint SSB contest takes place between 1600 and 2000UTC on the 3.5 to 14MHz bands. It's a 4-hour event with a rigid exchange structure of both callsigns, a serial number and your name (or nickname). You'll have to engage in some band hopping, to make the most of changing conditions. And now the solar factual data for the period from the 28th of March to the 3rd of April, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on the 4th of April.

To start this week an update on the latest smoothed monthly sunspot numbers which are for June, July and August 2010 and are 16.4, 16.8 and 17.4 respectively.

The two large complex sunspot groups that were visible on the solar disc for most of the week failed to produce any large solar flares. They could only produce isolated small C class solar flares everyday except for the 2nd. On occasions, small sudden ionospheric disturbances and coronal mass ejections occurred with these flares but their effect on propagation was minimal. Some days they were up to six groups visible but many were very small. Solar flux levels declined from 119 units on the 28th to 108 by the 2nd. The average was 114 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 3rd was 99 units. That's three units up on last week. X- ray flux levels varied little day to day and averaged B3 units. Geomagnetic activity was quiet every day until the 1st when a recurring coronal hole disturbance arrived. This carried on through to the 3rd. The most disturbed day was the 2nd with an Ap index of 20 units. The average was Ap 9 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds increase from 300 kilometres per second to 710 by the 2nd. Particle densities were low except for an increase to 40 particles per cubic centimetre during the evening of the 29th. Bz on the quiet days varied between minus and plus 4 nanoTeslas

and between minus and plus 10 nanoTeslas during the disturbance. Interestingly, on the 30th the Bz remained positive for the complete day and varied between plus 5 and plus 13 nanoTeslas.

And now the solar forecast. This week solar activity is expected to be at low levels, however there is a chance that activity could increase on some days. Solar flux levels are expected to decline and be in the 90s for most of the week. Geomagnetic activity is expected to be quiet everyday. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be about 25MHz for the south and 22MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows are expected to be about 10MHz. Paths this week to South Africa should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 31MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 24MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 1100 and 1600 hours UTC.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your

transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS On Monday 11 April Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is having an operating evening. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548478, daytime.

On Monday 11 April Leicester Radio Society celebrates the birthday of Tony, M3PYG, has a BBQ and grand raffle. Contact Alex, G8FCQ, on 0753 120 1640.

On Monday 11 April South Birmingham Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Monday 11 April Stratford Upon Avon District Radio Society is having a talk on how to dip your GDO by G3YVE. Contact G0CHO, on 01608 664488.

On Monday 11 April Wythall Radio Club continues its Foundation course. Details from Christopher Pettitt, G0EYO, by email to g0eyo@blueyonder.co.uk.

On Tuesday 12 April Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 12 April Eagle Radio Group is having a talk on island contesting by Nick G4FAL at The Boatshed, Victoria Road, Mablethorpe.

Details from Terry, G0SWS, on 01507 478590.

On Tuesday 12 April Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is having a lecture at Loughborough University, entitled Concorde from beginning to end. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Tuesday 12 April Wythall Radio Club has a committee meeting. Details from Christopher Pettitt, G0EYO, by email to g0eyo@blueyonder.co.uk.

On Wednesday 13 April Hinckley Amateur Radio Society is taking part in the 80m Club Calls SSB contest. Details from John, M0JAV, on 07836 731544.

On Wednesday 13 April Lincoln Short-Wave Club is having a talk on First Aid for the shack by SJA. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

On Wednesday 13 April Midland Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting, training and Morse classes. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 01214 229 787.

On Wednesday 13 April Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a video evening, with refreshments. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677. On Thursday 14 April Salop Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. Details on the club website at www.salop-ars.org.uk.

On Thursday 14 April South Birmingham Radio Society is having training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Friday 15 April Coventry Amateur Radio Society has a committee forum & equipment sale. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777363.

On Friday 15 April Hucknall Rolls Royce Amateur Radio Club is holding a general club meeting. More information from Dave Wilde, G1YAI, on 0844 4355593.

On Friday 15 April Nunsfield House Amateur Radio Group is holding a committee meeting and shack night. Details from Ken Frankcom, G3OCA, on 01332 720976.

On Friday 15 April South Birmingham Radio Society is having a construction evening.. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Saturday 16 and Sunday 17 April there will be a field day at the Sports & Social Club, Harlaxton, Grantham NG32 1HX, organised by Jim, M0JHW. There will be plenty of tea and coffee and a BBQ in the afternoon. Details from Jim, M0JHW, by email to m0jhwjim@aol.co.uk.

On Saturday 16 April Lincoln Short-Wave Club is in the shack. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

On Sunday 17 April Midland Amateur Radio Society Club is visiting Kempton Park rally. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 01214 229 787.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND Keighley ARS announces that is has changed its venue. It now meets at Parkside Social Club, Butt Lane, Halworth, Keighley BD22 8QJ. Details from Shirley, M6SAK, on 01535 652781.

On Sunday 10 April Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is running a coach to the NARSA rally, leaving at 8am. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 0191 477 0036.

On Monday 11 April Bolton Wireless Club is having a lecture on kite antennas by Roger, G4ROJ. For details, send an email to boltonwireless@gmail.com.

On Monday 11 April Macclesfield & District Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. More information from Roger Bell, M0GMG, on 0771 258 9163.

On Monday 11 April Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by Peter Day VP2V/G3PHO on his DXpedition to the British Virgin Islands. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 11 April Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by Ian Cobbe, G3ZRZ on his radio days in the RAF. Details on the web at www.tcars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 12 April Chester & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. Details from Barbara Green on 07957 870770. On Tuesday 12 April Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society will discuss the potential of the Old Post Office as a regular meeting place. Contact Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341317.

On Tuesday 12 April Hornsea Amateur Radio is participating in the 80m CC SSB. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240573.

On Wednesday 13 April Chester & District Amateur Radio Society has an inter-branch quiz with W&DARC at Irby Cricket Club. Details from Barbara Green on 07957 870770.

On Wednesday 13 April Grimsby Amateur Radio Society is taking part in the RSGB 80m CC. Contact Cliff, G4YHP, on 01472 328 830.

On Wednesday 13 April Hambleton Amateur Radio Society is having an operating night. More information from Tony Wilson, G3MAE, on 01609 881530.

On Wednesday 13 April Mid-Cheshire Amateur Radio Society is having a projects night, looking at a frequency counter, G4JNT oscillator boards and dish configuration. Contact Peter Paul Fox, G8HAV, on 01606 553401.

On Thursday 14 April Grimsby Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on tricks with coax cable by Dave, G3TBK. Contact Cliff, G4YHP, on 01472 328 830.

On Thursday 14 April Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club night on the air. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 0787 608 5631.

On Thursday 14 April South Manchester Radio and Computer Club has a rid-a-thon technical book sale run by Bill, G4NOL. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 0161 969 3999.

On Thursday 14 April Wakefield & District Radio Society is having a natter night and is on the air. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563117.

On Friday 15 April East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club has a technical forum. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Saturday 16 April Mid-Cheshire Amateur Radio Society is sorting the equipment in the garage store. Contact Peter Paul Fox, G8HAV, on 01606 553401.

On Saturday 16 April Wakefield & District Radio Society continues its training courses. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563117.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND On Sunday 10 April Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club has its monthly meeting. For more information send an email to cqmuarc@gmail.com.

On Monday 11 April Greenisland Electronics Amateur Radio Society is on the air on 2m. Details from Peter Lowrie, MI5JYK, by email to mi5jyk@rsgb.org.uk.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday 12 April Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having an operating evening. Details from Norman, on 07740 946192.

On Wednesday 13 April Lothians Radio Club is holding a junk sale at St Fillans Church Hall, Buckstone Drive, Edinburgh. More information from Andy Sinclair by email to lrs_secretary@moosedata.com.

On Wednesday 13 April West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society has Solder Group homebrew projects & licence training. More information from Fred Coombes, 2M0BIN, on 01415 715512.

On Thursday 14 April Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is having Morse practice and is on the air. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663.

On Friday 15 April West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society is having presentations, guest speakers, a quiz and a raffle. More information from Fred Coombes, 2M0BIN, on 01415 715512.

On Saturday 16 April Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club has a 10 pin bowling night at the Megabowl, Fountainbridge from 8pm. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA On Monday 11 April Coulsdon Amateur Transmitting Society is having a talk on WSPR by Walter Blanchard, G3JKV. Details from Steve Beal, G3WZK, by email to secretary@catsradio.org.

On Monday 11 April West Kent Amateur Radio Society is holding its AGM from 8pm at Bidborough Village Hall, near Tonbridge. More information

from Les, G6UBM, by email to westkentars@googlemail.com.

On Tuesday 12 April Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720815.

On Tuesday 12 April Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society has a club net night. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Tuesday 12 April Harwell Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on contesting by Bryn, G4DEZ. Contact Malcolm, G8NRP, on 01235 524844.

On Wednesday 13 April Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Wednesday 13 April Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is having a members forum. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday 13 April Harwich Amateur Radio Interest Group is having a talk on loop fed array antennas by Justin, G0KSC. Details from Kevan, 2E0WMG, on 07766 543784.

On Wednesday 13 April Havering & District Amateur Radio Club is having an informal evening. More information from John, M0UKD, on 07890 222111.

On Wednesday 13 April Norfolk Amateur Radio Club has an informal, construction, shack and Bright Sparks evening, and will also be taking part in the RSGB CC SSB contest. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898678. On Wednesday 13 April South Essex Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on the sky at night by Bruce, G1JJS. Contact Norman, M0FZW, on 01268 692776.

On Wednesday 13 April Southgate Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on Smith Charts by David M0XDS. Contact David Sharp, M0XDS, by email to david.sharp1@tesco.net.

On Wednesday 13 April Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is having a discussion evening. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816684.

On Thursday 14 April Bittern DX Group has an informal meeting at Pinewood Park Leisure Club, NR26 8TU. Details from Linda, G0AJJ, on 01692 404154.

On Thursday 14 April Echelford Amateur Radio Society is holding its AGM. Contact John, G4GSC, on 01784 451898.

On Thursday 14 April Edgware & District Radio Society is having a talk by John, G3SJE, entitled solar cycles I have known. More information from Mike, G4RNW, on 0208 950 0658.

On Thursday 14 April King's Lynn Amateur Radio Club is having a club night and 2m club net. Contact Ray, G3RSV, by email to ral-g3rsv@supanet.com.

On Thursday 14 April Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on Sporadic-E by Jim Bacon, G3YLA. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564242.

On Thursday 14 April Reading & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its spring junk sale. Details from Pete, G8FRC, on 01189 695 697.

On Thursday 14 April Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is holding its spring junk sale. Details from David, G8UOD, on 01234 742 757.

On Friday 15 April Harlow & District Amateur Radio Society is having a general chat night. More information from R C White, G0AGO, by e-mail to G0AGO@aol.com.

On Friday 15 April Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a radio night. Contact Peter, G4AKG, on 01444 239371.

On Friday 15 April Radio Society of Harrow is on the air. More information from Linda, G7RJL, on 0208 386 8586.

On Friday 15 April Wey Valley Amateur Radio Group has a club night. Details on the web at www.weyvalleyarg.org.uk.

On Sunday 17 April Andover Radio Amateurs Club is holding its spring boot sale. Details from Martin, M0MWS, on 07776 181646.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST On Monday 11 April Cornish Radio Amateur Club 7.30pm Computer section meet. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844939. On Tuesday 12 April Blackmoor Vale Amateur Radio Society is holding its AGM. Contact Tony, G0GFL, on 01258 860741.

On Tuesday 12 April Mid Somerset Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by G4WSB on the joys of SOTA expeditions. Contact Nick, M6NJB, on 01749 346320.

On Tuesday 12 April West Devon Radio Club is having a talk on the uses and applications of the grid dip meter by M1AGY. Further information from Jules Cuddy, M1AGY, on 01752 291588.

On Wednesday 13 April Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417048.

On Thursday 14 April South Bristol Amateur Radio Club has its first planning session for VHF NFD 2011. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695471.

On Thursday 14 April Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is watching the Design of Linear Amplifiers DVD by Peter Chadwick, G3RZP. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317750.

On Thursday 14 April Yeovil Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on WSPR and JT65A by G7AHP. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk.

On Friday 15 April North Bristol Amateur Radio Club is having a construction evening. More information from Dick on 01454 218362.

On Friday 15 April Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES On Monday 11 April Llanelli Amateur Radio Society is having a social evening & club raffle. Contact Craig, MW0MXT, on 01269 840292.

On Thursday 14th April Marches ARS is having a talk by Colin Barber on the history of the Rhydymwyn Valley Works, the little known centre for the pioneering British contribution to the Atom Bomb project. Members of other Clubs are most welcome to join us for this fascinating insight into the vital part Great Britain played in the construction and development of The Bomb. Please note that this and future meetings of Marches ARS will be held at our original venue at Black Park Community Centre and NOT at Chirk Methodist Chapel. Further details and directions from Dave, MW0AYM on 01691 777242 or John, MW3PYN on 01691 772637.

374. Re: get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-09 00:13:57 UTC
From: "tholen@antispam.ham" <tholen@ifa.hawaii.edu>
Message-ID: <1bd35fa6-8fc2-472b-8c80-c7f844414f2d@f11g2000vbx.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4664
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.shortwave

kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com> writes:

302> Newsgroups:
rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.shortwave

302> nothing

Then why did you post a message with no new content to an
OS/2 newsgroup, kb9rqz?

302> what does q have to do with any kind of radio?

What does your question have to do with OS/2, kb9rqz?

375. SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 10 APRIL 2011 You are listening to ZS6SRL, the

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-09 23:00:21 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <20110409230007.9A7CF33C6C@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4665
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 10 APRIL 2011 You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'ARMI' and follow the links for details. PLEASE NOTE: for audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R. You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail. Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 and 3,695 MHz SSB. In the news today: SARL AGM ON AIR NEW REGULATIONS GET THE FACTS FIRST CAPE TOWN RTA PROGRAMME NOW AVAILABLE POWERLINE COMMUNICATIONS IN SPOTLIGHT AGAIN You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting news items. SARL AGM ON THE AIR If you cannot attend the SARL AGM next Saturday, you can follow the proceedings on the air and Echolink. Transmission will start just before 09:00 on 7 082 kHz and 14 250 kHz. In Gauteng it can also be heard on 145,750 MHz. The relay arrangements are by courtesy of the Magalies Amateur Radio Club. NEW REGULATIONS The SARL has been in constant contact with various persons in ICASA about the corrections to the published regulations. The conference hosted by ICASA on the digital dividend took several role-players out of their offices, which has made it difficult to get any written confirmation. The official dealing with the license renewals has telephonically confirmed that as matters stand currently, class B license holders over 25 years of age can renew their ZU license as before for the next two years. He advises that during this two-year period they should work on upgrading to a class A license. GET THE FACTS FIRST In general, discussion forums on the web carry interesting information and discussions, but forum postings are more often than not the opinion or perceptions of the author and not necessarily the facts. The SARL forums are no exception to this. Bear in mind that people posting on the forums are not necessarily fully informed or aware of the latest developments. He or she conveys his or her own views. In the case of the SARL, official information is disseminated in SARL News and on the home page of the SARL website. Specific information for members is also communicated in a new SARL TODAY slot on the members-only web pages. Currently the new radio regulations as published are available for download, as well as a recording of last weekend's President's Net. Other information available is how a club can run their own Class B examinations and an explanation of how the SI metric system works and the correct abbreviations for metric units. SARL members should click on the top right hand of the homepage on Members Only and enter their pin. CAPE

TOWN RTA PROGRAMME NOW AVAILABLE The Radio Technology in Action Symposium will be presented in Cape Town on Saturday 7 May 2011. The venue is the Cape Peninsula University of Technology, Bellville Campus. Visit www.sarl.org.za and click on RTA. The programme features a panel discussion on 'How can older amateurs get more out of amateur radio?' You will learn more about Field Programmable Gate Array devices (FPGA). The presentation will include a simple explanation of the FGPA, its advantages, were you can use it, how it is used in amateur gear and what to do to get started using FPGAs. If you live in the Western Cape,you do not want to miss this annual SARL event. ARISSAT-1 CELEBRATES 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF FIRST SPACE FLIGHT The ARISSat-1 satellite, presently still inside the International Space Station, will be turned on and use an external antenna to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Yuri Gagarin's first manned space flight. The transmissions will begin on Monday 11 April 2011 at 14:30 UTC and continue until 10:30 UTC on 13 April 2011. The solar panels are currently covered, and the satellite will be powered only by the onboard battery, running in low power mode. This means that the transmissions will cycle, ON for 40-60 seconds and OFF for 2 minutes. FM transmissions on 145,950 MHz will cycle between a voice ID, select telemetry values, 24 international greeting messages in 15 languages and SSTV images. One of the messages will be a conversation between Yuri Gagarin and ground control. The CW transmissions on 145,919 MHz will be callsign ID, select telemetry, and callsigns of people actively involved with the ARISS programme. AMSAT will issue commemorative certificates to those receiving the transmissions and sending an email to gagarin@arissat1.org or yuri@arissat1.org with your name or group, a description of what you heard and the UTC when you heard it. Recording the battery voltage values and the UTC will be especially helpful. Send a report to SA AMSAT at saamsat@intekom.co.za and you could be the lucky winner of the SumbandilaSat first-day cover released by the Post Office on 1 April. More details on www.amsatsa.org.za. Include an audio recording if you can. The BPSK transmissions on 145,920 MHz will feature a new 1kBPSK protocol developed by Phil Karn, KA9Q, to be readable in low-signal conditions. The BPSK data will transmit satellite telemetry. A free ground station soundcard demodulator and display software will be available. Watch www.amsatsa.org.za for details of when it becomes available. The linear transponder will not be active during this event. Roscosmos has announced that the satellite will be deployed into orbit during the next 'space walk' or EVA in July this year. POWERLINE COMMUNICATIONS IN SPOTLIGHT AGAIN In this past week, SARL Councillor Hans van de Groenendaal, ZS6AKV, represented the SARL at a joint meeting of three SABS technical committees held to discuss a new standard proposed for the use of powerline communications (PLC) in controlling the electricity network, metering and the so-called smartgrid applications. Eskom and some vendors had objected to the ratification of South African National Standard (SANS 50065-1) as they believe that the Standard does not meet all the Eskom and possibly Metro requirements for managing the electricity grid. Eskom is seeking to use frequencies up to 500 kHz while the Standard only covers

applications between 3 kHz and 148,5 kHz. Specifications between 148 kHz and 500 kHz are yet to be coordinated around the world. There is no agreement between various industry players. One of the arguments is that the band between 3 kHz and 2 MHz should be considered for use of PLC for power utilities as new development in smart grid applications point in this direction and there should be no argument as all equipment would have to comply with CISPR 22 which will protect users of the radio spectrum. Amateur Radio has two allocations in this spectrum, the newly acquired 135,7-137,8 kHz and 1810 to 1850 kHz. Currently, a revision to the 50065-1 standard is under consideration in Europe. It was resolved that various studies will be undertaken which should include the frequency spectrum management group of ICASA. The joint committee will meet again in mid June. While broadband powerline communication is still on the horizon, there have been no further developments. The SARL is watching this space closely. NEW MEMBERS This week we welcome Dennis van Blerk, ZS1TC, and Anthony Van Tonder, ZS1AB, to the SARL. We trust your association with us will be mutually beneficial. This brings our membership total to 1529 this week. PROPAGATION REPORT: GIVE 10 METRES A TRY THIS WEEK With Hannes Coetzee not available this week, Hans, ZS6AKV, reports that the geomagnetic conditions are at quiet levels. Local HF working frequencies are unstable to near monthly average predicted values. The outlook for the next few days is that propagation conditions should be fair, with operating frequencies variable from the predicted monthly average HF working frequencies. A number of active areas are visible on the solar disk. Most of them are magnetically quiet, but one is developing the potential for C-class X-ray flares. Radiation events are unlikely. A small coronal hole on the solar disk should become geo-effective this weekend. The sunspot number outlook for this week is 97. Openings to the USA east coast on 10 metres are predicted for the late afternoons and early evenings while 15 metres is likely to offer better results for contacts with the US west coast. For Europe the best results are expected in the late afternoon with 10, 15 and 20 metre openings peaking at around 18:00 CAT on 10 and 15. The 20-metre band is expected to give good results till well after 22:00. To communicate with stations in Australasia you will have to be an early riser. Conditions are like to peak at our local sunrise on 15 metres Locally, 40 metres will provide good communication over medium distances while 20 metres is the frequency of choice between Cape Town and Johannesburg during the daytime. 80 metres remains the frequency of choice after sunset. For the CW and digital enthusiasts, 30 m may be very rewarding with openings to many parts of the world. Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information. DIARY OF EVENTS 11 April - ARISSat-1 satellite celebrates 50th anniversary of Yuri Gagarin's first manned space flight. 15-16 April - SARL National Convention at Vaal University for Technology. 7 May - RTD in Cape Town. 18 June - Programming in Windows course in Gauteng. Book at www.sarl.org.za. SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to

www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date. The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 750 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'ARMI' and follow the links. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 18:30 CAT on 3 230 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies. You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by Hester van der Walt. Thank you for listening, 73.
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376. HOT SEXY PHOTOS&VIDEOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-10 09:36:19 UTC
From: SAMARA <jaidatta9247@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <a9d247d4-ecce-4bca-b7f5-6a4e6389f676@s9g2000yqm.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4666

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377. Kenwood VFO-520

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-10 14:02:44 UTC
From: Keith <salmo@nf.sympatico.ca>
Message-ID: <4da1b884$0$3995$9a566e8b@news.aliant.net>
Source record: 4667

http://cgi.ebay.ca/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=150589849711&ssPageName=STRK:MESELX:IT

378. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 10th April 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-10 20:00:13 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20110410200004.3F96E33C6C@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4668
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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IRTS Awards Presented at IRTS AGM 2011

A full listing of award winners at the recent IRTS AGM held in Limerick and their prizes can be obtained by logging onto www.irts.ie

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Up-Coming IRTS Contests

1. 2m Counties Contest Monday April 25th 2011. From 2pm till 4pm. Log to be submitted by May 25th.

2. CW Field Day Sat 4th/ Sun 5th June 2011. Log to be submitted by June 5th.

Calling all active VHF and Higher operators we are trying to get the 2010 Squares table finalized on IRTS.ie on the right hand side. So can anyone that was active on the VHF bands last year please send you Square totals or your log and I can work it out for you to EI2GLB /at/ hotmail / dot/.com . To see the squares table go to www.irts.ie and click on vhf/uhf/shf on the right side of the home page.

North Cork Radio Club

North Cork Radio Group will be active from the 29th of April through 2nd of May and during International Marconi Day.

The call used will be EI-0-IMD from the Mizen head Signal Station, Goleen in West Cork and the duration will be 24hours. NCRG will also use EI1NC/P for the remainder of the weekend until May 2nd. Members attending are Anthony EI3GAB, Pat EI2GHB, Padraig EI5GEB and Claus EI7JZ although other members may operate in short burst while visiting the station.

North Cork would also like to advise of another premium upcoming event for CASHOTA / WAI hunters. EI1NC/P this time will activate Blarney Castle, Co Cork on June 4th 5th & 6th. The event is being run in conjunction with Cashota Ireland and the awards designator will be EI010/C. further details on the CASHOTA Awards program can be obtained via http://cashota-ireland.org. further upcoming events will be advised

through IRTS News service and at the Groups Home page www.ei1nc.com

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International Marconi Day

International Marconi Day takes place this year on Saturday 30th April. The Howth Martello Radio Group will be participating once again as an award station using the call-sign EI0MAR.

This is not a contest but there are several nice awards available for working the officially listed stations, each of which has an historic connection with Marconi. The event is organised by the Cornish Amateur Radio Club. For more information please visit the club's website http://crac.g4usb.net/cracblog/

EI0MAR operates from the Martello Tower overlooking the East Pier in Howth. The tower now houses a vintage radio museum. In 1905 the British Post Office carried out wireless telegraphy experiments at the tower in Howth using Marconi equipment.

Visitors are always welcome at the museum and the group hopes to see many visitors during the IMG event in April. The HMRG's website is www.ei0mar.org where a free information booklet in PDF format can be downloaded.

South East Amateur Radio Group

The South Eastern Amateur Radio Group and the Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club will ensure that Ireland again has its say in the 2011 International Geopark Communication weekend on 28 & 29 May, with special stations, likely EI2GEO again, at the Copper Coast Geopark and, likely GB2MAC again, at the Marble Arch Caves International Geopark in Fermanagh which straddles the border into Cavan.

Louth Erne Amateur Radio Club Annual Rally

The Louth Erne Annual Rally takes place on April 17th.

Venue is the Share Centre, Lisnaskea Co. Fermanagh BT920EQ

Doors open 11:30 a.m. Contact: Iain 028/048 66326693. EMail: iain /at/ learc.eu See www.loughernerадioclub.co.uk

Bring and Buy, Food, on-site parking Access from Erne/Shannon Waterway

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Lough Erne Rally Raffle Prize

Nevada, the major amateur radio retailer has donated an Alinco DJ 596 E.

It will be raffled at the Pearl Anniversary Lough Erne Rally next Sunday 17 April.

This neat handheld VHF and UHF transceiver has an output of 5 watts.

Other features include a theft alarm and mosquito repel feature

For more on Nevada go to www.nevadaradio.co.uk

With much improved roads, travel north to this Rally is much improved.

The Lough Erne party drove to the March Limerick rally in three hours.

In February their journey to Dublin's Phoenix rally took 2 hours.

South Dublin Radio Club

This Tuesday 12th of April Tom EI7HT will be demonstrating Antenna Analysers and how they can be used help test and build VHF aerials.

On Tuesday 19th April Mike EI3DY will give a presentation to South Dublin Radio Club on the newer digital modes like JT65 that enable worldwide communications with low power with modest antennas.

He will discuss the relevance of beacon and propagation reporter systems like WSPR pronounced "Whisper", PSK Reporter and others.

Dundalk Amateur Radio Society

The AGM of Dundalk Amateur Radio Society will be held at 8pm May 4th at 'Larkin House' 113, Castletown Road, Dundalk. All members are requested to attend. New members always welcome.

DX News

A group of German operators will be active from Togo during the period 15 - 28 April. They will be QRV on all bands 160 - 10m using the callsign 5V7CC. QSLs go via DL9MBI.

For the XYL chasers Anne OH2YL will be on the Island of St Barthelemy in the Caribbean from 15 - 27 April signing FJ/OH2YL. Operation will be on CW only. QSL via the home call or via Logbook of the World.

For those who need Central Kiribati an international team will be on from Kanton Island from 17 - 28 April with the callsign T31A. QSLs are via W2IJ or Logbook of the World.

The Italian DXpedition to Liberia still has a few days to run. For the prefix chasers this is a chance to get a rare one as the group are using the callsign 5M2TT instead of the usual EL prefix and are QRV on 80m through 6m. Another thing to mention is that the online log is updated immediately a QSO takes place. QSLs go via I2YSB.

Two Dutch operators will sign PJ2/PA7JWC and PJ2/PD7DB from the Island of Curacao from 15 - 22 April. This one counts for IOTA SA-099 and is one of the new DXCC entities in the Caribbean since last October.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

379. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1006

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-10 20:26:36 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <201104102026.p3AKQNwZ005204@smtp109.sbc.mail.ne1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 4669
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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 3rd-April, through Sunday, 10th-April there were 233 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4W, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9U, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, CY0, D2, D4, D6, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H2, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH2, KH6, KH8, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VP2E, VP2M, VP2V, VP5, VP6, VP8, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZD8, ZD9, ZF, ZK2, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

160M WAZ AWARDED. Congratulations to NODXA's member Scottie, WK3N, (the man who never sleeps according to Martti, OH2BH) for receiving his 160

meter WAZ award. This award started in 1975 and less than 35 North American stations have achived this level. If you have never seen one, see WK3N's at: http://s622.photobucket.com/albums/tt306/zebrahauler/?action=view&current=100_0543.jpg

3D2/C, CONWAY REEF (Update/Possible Change!). From the Hrane's, YT1AD, Conway Reef Web page, it reports (edited): "After the cancelation of the T31 DXpedition by YT1AD and K3LP with friends, the team organized a DXpedition to the small beautiful Island of Conway Reef, a small Fiji Island in South Pacific area. This island is famous for DXCC as 3D2C. The whole team will arrive in Nadi, Fiji, on September 25th, 2011. Departure from port Suva, September 26th, 2011. Arriving at Conway Reef on September 27th, 2011, afternoon. Activity from Conway Reef will be between October 1-6th, 2011. Departure from Conway Reef to Suva will be October 7th. Arriving at Fiji on October 8th, in the afternoon. PLEASE NOTICE: Our team has a possibility to change trip from Conway Reef to Rotuma Island according to many requests by the amateur radio operators of the World. Team already has the callsign 3D2R and is now working for landing permit. More information coming later." LAST MINUTE UPDATE: Before going to print on Sunday, Hrane, YT1AD, has announced that his group will defer their September-October operation to Conway Reef until 2012. It sound as if they are going to join the "Pacific DXers" at Rotuma because they have all the approvals and are planning an operation in October-November (See 3D2/R).

3D2/R, ROTUMA. Eddie, 3D2A/VK4AN, member of the Pacific DXer's, announced: "A team of 'PACIFIC DXERS', have 'ALL PERMITS' in place and are planning to sail for Rotuma early October 2011 and operate for 3 weeks (October 15th to November 15th). The team so far consists of: Eddie/3D2A/VK4AN, Rocky/3D2DD, Bill 3D2(?)/VK4FW...others are pending. We already have 24-hr power and accommodation arranged. Most of the 3D2A equipment is in Fiji already. We are seeking expressions of interest from experienced CW/SSB/Digital mode operators and possibly a 6m enthusiast. A 6m beacon will be established on 50.095 MHz. Rigs so far include K3, Flex5000A, Emtron DX1b amp, FT-900, Spiderbeam, wire antennas, DX88 vertical. This will be the anniversary of the FIRST operation from Rotuma by Eddie/ 3D2A/VK4AN...original license was 3D2XX/rotuma in 1988. The callsign has not been issued yet, but we expect to be issued with either 3D2P or 3D20R... The alternative will be 3D2A/R(otuma)."

5B, CYPRUS. Zoli, HA5PP, will once again be active as 5B/HA5PP during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 28-29th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (??) entry. QSL via HA5PP.

5W, SAMOA. Before heading to Kanton Island (OC-043), a few of the T31A team will be active from Apia until April 13th. Look for Jay/W2IJ, John/ N7CQQ, Phil/W9IXX and Carlos/EA1IR to be active as 5W0JK, 5W0QQ, 5W0X and 5W0IR, respectively. Most of the activity has been on 20/17/15/12 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via operators' home callsign. The T31A team will leave Apia on April 13th, and sail to Kanton Island for approximately four days. See T31 below for more details. LAST MINUTE UPDATED: "April 7th - Some team members are in Apia now and have cleared all 11 pallets of

equipment through customs without problems. N7CQQ and W2IJ have been on the air as 5W0QQ and 5W0JK and are testing propagation patterns. The other team members will arrive over next few days, and plans are still to leave Apia on April 15th."

8P, BARBADOS. Yuri, VE3DZ, will once again be active as 8P9AA between now and May 1st. Activity will be on all HF bands using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via his home callsign. PLEASE NOTE: QSL cards for Feb-Apr 2011 operations will be answered in early May 2011.

8P, BARBADOS. Fred, PY2XB, will be active as 8P9XB from St. Philip, Barbados (NA-021) between May 8-21st. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. He will have a 6m beacon on at 50.099 MHz (Grid Locator GK03gc). QSL via PT7WA.

9A, CROATIA. Look for special event station 9A11P (Nine Alpha ONE ONE Papa) to be active through the end of the year to celebrate the city of Djurdjevac. A special QSL will be issued and all of the QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau and LoTW.

9N, NEPAL (Reminder). Operators Dov/4Z4DX/9N7DX and XYL Anat/9N7YL will be active between April 13-30th. Activity will be mainly 20/15/10/6 meters using mostly CW, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via 4Z4DX. Dov has activated a new Web page for this operation at: http://www.9n7dx.com

A2, BOTSWANA (Reminder/Update). Look for operators Steffi/ON3AEO, Filip/ ON4AEO (Team leader), Jose/ON4CJK, Kath/ON7BK Lucas/ZS6ACT, Adele/ZR6APT, Sid/ZS6AYC, Gert/ZS6GC and possibly others to be active as A25FC from a QTH east of Seika (Grid Loc. KG37XA) between April 14-18th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB, PSK and RTTY. QSL via ON4CJK, direct or by the Bureau. For more details and updates, go to the Web page at: http://www.filipstattooshop.be/botswana

AH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Kan, JJ2RCJ/AB2RF, will be active as AH0/AB2RF from the Saipan Rental Shack on Northern Mariana Island (OC-086) between May 1-5th. Activity will be focused on RTTY and PSK. QSL via JJ2RCJ. For more details about the Saipan Rental Shack, see the following Web page at: http://saipan.rental-shack.com/english/index.html

C2, NAURU (Update). The Pacific-DXer's Web page is reporting that the "Callsign should be issued soon (they are requesting C21A), and permission to also use 60m. Expressions of interest have been received from a number of experienced DXers to join us. Operations are now led by Bill, VK4FW, with liaison support by Eddie VK4AN. A Polish group will operate here in Jan-Feb 2012."

CY0, SABLE ISLAND (Wrap-up Report). Randy, N0TG, informs OPDX that they are busy working on the QSL design and it will be a few weeks yet before their CY0 QSL cards are printed. Meanwhile, Randy provides the DXpedition's QSO totals: 24117/QSOs, 19867/CW, 3547/SSB and 703/RTTY. Breakdown by bands is as follows: Band CW SSB Total
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160m 1826 -- 1986

80m 1519 54 1673
40m 2619 450 3069
30m 2659 -- 2659
20m 3871 1488 5359
17m 3394 539 3933
15m 1838 680 2518
12m 1598 247 1845
10m 543 89 632
Randy mentions that only 550 JA stations were worked prior to the earthquake. After that, only 15 more..... He thanks all for the support.

DX-CODE OF CONDUCT (Reminder/Update). The "DX-Code of Conduct" are some very important guidelines on how to best use your station, as well as providing good operating skills to make it into the DX log in away that is both efficient and follows the ethical standards of operating on the amateur bands. So please visit and become a supporter of the "DX-Code of Conduct" Web page at: http://dx-code.org
Also, there is a new publication available on the Web site titled "THE NEW DXER'S HANDBOOK" by K7AU at: http://dx-code.org/newdxer.pdf
Randy, W6SJ, states, "I think you will find it enjoyable, even if you are a pro. Tell your club about it and make sure that new members get a copy. After all, it's an e-book and it's free."

FJ, SAINT BARTHELEMY (Reminder). YL operator Anne, OH2YL, will be active as FJ/OH2YL from Saint Barthelemy (NA-146) between April 15-27th. Activity will be on all HF bands, 160-10 meters and using CW only (on a lower edge of all bands). QSL via OH2YL or LoTW. More details are available at: http://www.fjoh2yl.com

HK0, MALPELO ISLAND. Members of the DXColombia Amateur Radio Club (DXARC, HK1NA) have announced that the next DXpedition to Malpelo Island will be in 2012, using the callsign HK0NA. All efforts/organization has been made ??by the Colombian group Team Leader Jorge Prieto, HK1R. The international team will consist of 8 Colombians and 4 foreigners. Operators mentioned currently are Jorge/HK1R, Jahm/HK1T and Pedro/HK1X. Activity will be on all bands and modes (allowed by Colombian laws). More details are forth-coming. A Web page is under construction and is available at: http://hk0na.wordpress.com

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-101. Operators Tony/E21IZC, Tana/E27EK, Capitan/HS7UCQ and Wut/HS8JYX from the Samutsakorn Amateur Radio Club will be active as HS7AT/p from Samui Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st). QSL via direct to HS7AT.

EU-062. Operators Mek/SP7VC and Waldi/SP7IDX will be active as LA/SP7VC and LA/SP7IDX, respectively, from Vega Island between June 23rd and August 2nd. Activity will be holiday style (they plan to do some fishing). They plan to have 2 stations on the air: One for the HF bands and the other for the 50 MHz (Grid Square JP65BQ). Operations will be 80-6 meters using SSB and RTTY. They will also be in the RSG IOTA Contest. Equipment will consist of:

IC-746, TS-2000X, HEX beam, R-7 vertical, 6 element yagi for 6m, 500w amp for HF and 6m. QSL via their home callsigns, by the Bureau, direct and also LoTW.

EU-136. Operators Pista/HA5AUC, Ed/HA5BWW and Karl/HA7PC will be active as 9A/homecall from Rab Island (JN74JR), Croatia, between April 11-18th. Their radios are IC-756PRO and IC-765, and the antennas are wire verticals on fishing poles. The operation will take place on 80-6 meters, mostly CW, but some SSB as well. QSL via the HA Bureau.

EU-172. Noel, OO4O, will be active as OZ/OO4O from Fyn Island (DIA FY-001, WLOTA 2690) between May 1-6th. Activity will be on the HF bands using mostly SSB. QSL via ON Bureau and via the LoTW.

EU-172. Ric, DL2VFR, will be active as OZ0FR/p from Aero Island (DIA FY-014, WLOTA 2676) between August 6-19th. Activity will be mostly CW, with some SSB. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct. For more details and updates, see the Web page at: http://www.iota-expedition.com/aero11/aero11.html

NA-128. Members of the NA-128 Contest Group will be active this year as XM2I (Multi/Single) from Isle-aux-Grues (CISA QC-038, Grid FN47, ARLHS CAN 1390), Quebec, Canada, between July 29-31st, for the 2011 RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st). Activity will be on all bands, 80-6 meters, using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via VE2CQ. A possible short operation may also take place from Isle-aux-Oies (CISA QC-038, a private island) and ARLHS CAN 973 after the contest. For more details and updates, visit: http://www.qsl.net/na128cg

NA-221. (Update) Operators Ismael/XE1AY, Gustavo/XE1KKK, Francisco/XE1P, Ricardo/XE1RZL, Raymundo/XE1SOV, Fernando/XE1VGC, Jose/XE1UYU, Martin/XE1UZH, Modesto/XE1UZU, Juan/XE2IA, Jose/XE2IVG and Ricardo/XE3NMC will be active as XF2P on from Lobos Island (ARLHS MEX-35), Veracruz, between April 29th and May 1st. Activity will be on the HF bands and 6 meters, using CW, SSB and RTTY, and also the satellites (AO27, AO51 and SO50). QSL via XE1AY. A Web page is now available at: http://xf2p.puebladx.org/XF2P/Bienvenida.html

SA-095. (Update) Operators Cezar/VE3LYC and Dino/CE3PG have embarked on a project to activate Pupuya Islands as CE4A for four days during the second half of November. The operation will take place under the auspices of the Radio Club de Chile. Given the difficulties associated with operating from Pupuya Islands, various contingencies will be considered, including radio equipment, power, transportation, landing, and camping. A Web site will be designed in due course where updates will be posted. QSL via CE3AA.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (April 11-17th)....
Apr 11 AN SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS
Apr 12 AN --------------------
Apr 13 AN BN - Below Normal
Apr 14 AN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Apr 15 AN LN - Low Normal
Apr 16 AN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Apr 17 AN DIS - Disturbed
VDIS - Very Disturbed

GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

KP4, PUERTO RICO (Special Event). Once again members of the Radio Operadores Del Este (RODE) Club will be active as part of the activities from the Jesus. T. Pinero house museum on April 17th, in Canovanas, Puerto Rico. They will be active on the HF bands using CW, Digital modes and possibly on SSB, plus AM operation with vintage radio equipment. Jesus was the first Puertorican Govenor and held the callsign 4KT.
QSL via KP3RE.

OL950, CZECH REPUBLIC (Special Event). Members of the Radio Club OK1KWN will activate special event station OL950CHEB between May 1-31st. Activity is to celebrate "the first documented, written information about the town Cheb" and its 950th anniversary. For more information about the city of Cheb, go to: http://www.mestocheb.eu
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cheb
QSL via OK1MO, by the Bureau or direct(w/SASE). Use e-QSL for only Digital operations. QSL is valid for Castles Awards: OK-00302, KA-034, HR 0005.

P4, ARUBA. Dee, W1HEO, will continue to be active as P4/W1HEO from Aruba (SA-036) until April 16th. Activity will be from the P49V contest station and will be on 160-10 meters using CW and SSB, with emphasis on the higher HF and 30/17/12 meter bands. Operations will be on the IOTA frequencies:
CW - 10115, 14040, 18098, 21040, 24920 and 28040 kHz
SSB - 14260, 18128, 21260, 24950 and 28460 kHz
Although this is a semi-holiday outing, major effort will be devoted to maximizing operating time. A special color photo QSL will be available. QSL direct only to the W1HEO (QRZ.com address) or by the Bureau.

PACIFIC TOUR. Masahiko, JH4VUC, plans to activate the following islands during the last few weeks in the month of April. Activity from all islands will be on 40/15/10/6 meters using 500 watts and SSB. QSL via his home callsign. His tentative schedule is:
April 17-19th - Saipan, Mariana Islands; callsign AH0CD
April 20-22nd - Guam; callsign AH0CD/KH2
April 23-25th - Palau; callsign T88VU

PJ2, CURACAO (Reminder). Operators Jan-Willem/PA7JWC and Monique/PD7DB will be active as PJ2/homecall from Curacao (SA-099, WLOTA LH-0942) between April 15-22nd. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL PJ2/PA7JWC via PA7JWC or LoTW. QSL via PJ2/PD7DB via PD7DB. For updates, visit Jan-Willem Web page at: http://www.pa7jwc.nl

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated April 10th)

3B8MM via DL6UAA EN50UG via UX5UO R3K via RN3DK
4D69DM via DU1IVT HA50HH via HA0HH RG50F via RT3F
5N6/YL2SW via YL2SW HL5/DL3OCH via DL3OCH RI1ANC via RN1ON
5W0JK via W2IJ II3MM via IZ3DBA RW0AJ via W3HNK
6M0HC via 6K2EJJ J6/W0SA via 8P9NX SN0MD via SP1PNW
6M23 via HL0DHQ JT1DX via JT1CS SV5/SV1LK via SV1LK
BV0EXPO via BM2JCC KH6/K0UU via K0UU U5ARTEK via UT7UT
C6AGN via W1DIG LY/I0SNY via I0SNY (direct)
CT7/DL7UZO via DL7UZO LY/I2FUG via I2FUG UK8OAG via 4Z5OG (direct)
CT9/DL6MLA via DL6MLA LZ02WFF via LZ1BJ UP7Z via UN7Z
DR2011VSI via DF7AA OM2IIHF via OM2RC UQ50P via UN7PL
DU7/PA0HIP via PA0HIP OX3XR via OZ3PZ W1ESE via AI4U
EA8/DL2DXA via DL2DXA OY6FRA via OY1JD XE1RK via EA5ZD

NEW QSL ROUTE FOR V31JP AND NO LONGER THE QSL MANAGER. Lon Miller, KA9WON, reports that he is no longer the QSL Manager for V31JP. He states, "PLEASE PASS THIS INFORMATION AROUND SO OTHER HAMS DO NOT WASTE TIME, POSTAGE & MONEY SENDING QSLs TO ME AS I WILL ONLY BE SENDING EVERYTHING BACK TO THEM." QRZ.com is now reporting to QSL either LoTW or direct to: Joseph Pontek Sr., P.O. Box 280, Dangriga, Stann Creek District, Belize.

Fred, IK7JWX, reports that all his logs for the recent IK7JWX, IO7DAI and IR7ITA are available at: http://www.enzolog.org/login.php

LT1F QSL MANAGER. Luc, LU1FAM, operator at LT1F, has confirmed that the LT1F QSL Manager is AC7DX and NOT EA5KB.

ZL8X QSL STATUS. Christian, DL1MGB, reports on April 4th: "Nearly 4,000 letters are out now. All direct OQRS requests until end of February were sent. Mario will continue now with the direct mail he received. IMPORTANT: Please don't send any E-mails concerning 'Did you receive my QSL card?' 'When will I get my card?' We will not answer to those E-mails. It is just waste of time for you and for us. Please be patient until we send out ALL QSL cards. We keep informing you about the status of the QSL shipment. Thanks for your patience!"

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 4U1ITU, A45XR, EE3A, EU7SA, FJ/VE3EY, KH2/N2NL, KP2DX, OX3XR, PJ2/WI9WI, PZ5P, TO3A, V31JP, VE3JM, VE7/F5IDM, VK9NN, VQ5D and XV2W

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3B8/EA3BT, 3C0C, 5R8X, AA1AC/VP9, AP2NK, C5YK, EW8O, FM5AA, HL5FUA, IV3RAV, JT1CO, JW/DJ3KR, KH2/N2NL, KH2L, OJ0B, PJ4A, PX8J, PZ1DV, S9DX, T30XG, T30YA, TT8DX, V44/AA1M, VK0KEV, XF1HUQ, YW5LF, Z35T and ZL8X

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: CO8OTA, TI7XX and XR7W

SILENT KEY. Mitch, Wolfson, DJ0QN, reports that "the DARC has learned of the death of the Chairman of the DX and HF Contesting Committee of the DARC, Dr. Lothar Wilke, DL3TD, who was 58 years old. OM Lothar died in a house fire during the night of Thursday, April 7, 2011. His wife Christiane and some neighbors have been hospitalized for smoke inhalation. The cause of the fire and further details are not yet available from the authorities.
OM Lothar was instrumental in integrating the RSV (German Democratic Republic) with the DARC (Federal Republic of Germany) following the German reunification. An experienced contester, Lothar has been responsible for the success of DA0HQ, as well as many other activities.
With Lothar, the DARC has lost not only a key member of the DX and HF Contesting Committee, but a fine person and radio amateur. Our thoughts and condolences go out to his wife Christiane and family from the DARC Executive Committee and all members."

SV/A, MOUNT ATHOS. Rick, NE8Z, has obtained a pilgrim visa for Mount Athos and plans to visit Monk Apollo, SV2ASP/A, between April 9-16th. Rick is calling his trip the "Monk Apollo Project". He wants to donate some equipment which will help Monk Apollo improve his portable operations in Mount Athos with the intention to produce better signals in Asia which is partially blocked by a mountain behind his Monastery. One of Rick's goals is to provide what Monk Apollo needs for CW capability through the use of a MFJ646 code reader and other software. He will train Monk Apollo on CW pile up handling techniques. It is not known if Rick is allowed to become active himself. The Southeast Michigan DX Association has adopted the project of helping Monk Apollo to improve his permanent and portable stations. Details on the project and a PayPal link for donations can be found at: http://live.semdxa.org/ (click the "Monk Apollo Project" button).

T31, CENTRAL KIRIBATI (Update). An international team will activate T31A from Kanton Island (OC-043) next weekend between April 17-28th. The team is currently in Apia, Samoa (see 5W above). They plan to have 6 stations on the air, operating on 160-10 meters. The following operators have been mentioned: Carlos/EA1IR, Jim/K6ZH, Dave/N1EMC, Arnie/N6HC, Bud/N7CW, John/N7CQQ, Mike/N9NS, Paul/UX2HO, Jay/W2IJ, Charlie/W6KK, Phil/W9IXX and Hrane/YT1AD. The pilot stations will be Eduardo/EA3NY and San/K5YY. The suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1826, 3504, 7004, 10104, 14024, 18074, 21024, 24894 and 28024 kHz
SSB - 1843, 3798, 7084, 14195, 18145, 21295, 24945 and 28495 kHz
RTTY - 3582, 7043, 10140, 14080, 18100, 21080, 24920 and 28080 kHz
6m - 50099/CW and 50120/SSB
IOTA Frequencies to be used are:
CW - 3530, 7030, 10113, 14040, 18098, 21040, 24920 and 28040 kHz
SSB - 3765, 7055, 14260, 18128, 21260, 24950 and 28460 kHz

QSL via QSL Manager W2IJ, by the Bureau or direct to: Jay Kobelin, 10628 Grandview Drive, Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91701. Current plans are: "The team will leave Apia on April 13, 2011, and sail approximately 4 days. Upon arrival at Kanton, they will set up 2 sites and begin operation

of their 11-12 days of operations. They will depart Kanton and arrive back in Apia on May 2, 2011." The T31A Web page is now active and available at: http://www.T31A.com

T6, AFGHANISTAN (Press Release #2). Paul, N6PSE, Co-Leader of the T6PSE DXpedition, reports: "The Intrepid-DX Group continues to move forward with our plans to conduct a DXpedition from Afghanistan to take place during ten days in May of 2011. Due to security concerns, the exact dates and location of the DXpedition will not be announced until the eve of our activation. The team is closely monitoring the security situation and events in the news coming from Afghanistan. Unless conditions worsen in the comings weeks, our plans are a go!
Our primary objective is to activate Afghanistan with a goal of providing as many DXers as possible a 'new one' with this rare DXCC entity and, as a secondary objective, to give as many band-slots as possible. We will focus on North and South America during those periods when propagation is possible to those areas. We anticipate that we will be working EU amateur stations nearly around the clock, but we will ask for their cooperation to allow us to work North and South America during those brief periods each day when propagation will permit us to work those far away regions.
The team consists of eight operators including: Co-Leader Paul Ewing/ N6PSE, Co-Leader David Collingham/K3LP, Hrane Milosevic/YT1AD, Krassy Petkov/K1LZ, Al Hernandez/K3VN, David Flack/AH6HY, Alex Pavlenko/UX0LL and David Ritchie/W6DR.
You can find out more about our plans at:
http://www.intrepid-dx.com/t6pse/index.php
Thank you, Paul S. Ewing/N6PSE, Co-Leader T6PSE DXpedition"

TJ9PF VIDEO AVAILABLE ONLINE. A video on the 2011 TJ9PF DXpedition to Kribi, Cameroon, by the KOP team (DXers from F6KOP Radio Club in Provins, France), is now available online at:
http://www.dailymotion.com/video/xhrbr6_tj9pf-daily_travel
The video runs just under 20 minutes.

TM26, FRANCE (Special Event). Members of the French CW Society, the Union Francaise des Telegraphistes (UFT), will activate special event station TM26UFT (for their 26th annual meeting) on the air between April 10-24th. Activity will be on the HF bands and on CW only. All the QSOs will be confirmed by the Bureau and the log will be uploaded on the LoTW. SWL QSL cards should go also via the French Bureau. After the operation and before QSLing, each operator will be able to check their QSO in the log on the UFT Web site at: http://www.uft.net
Those who would like to have a direct QSL card should not QSL before July, to Gerard, F6ICG, (address correct on QRZ.com). Don't forget to send a SAE and 1 valid IRC or sufficient money for return postage (not less than 2 USDs).

TT8, CHAD. Phil, F4EGS, will once again be active as TT8PK from N'djamena, Chad, between April 15th and June 15th. Activity will be limited due to his work schedule and spare time. Operations last time was on 40-10 meters

using CW, SSB and some RTTY. QSL via F4EGS, by the Bureau or direct (see QRZ.com for details).

V2, ANTIGUA. Darrell, AB2E, will once again be active as V26E from Antigua (NA-100) tentatively between May 24-31st. Activity will include the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 28-29th) as Single-Op entry. All operations before and after the contests will be either on the 30/17/12 meter bands or the lower bands. QSL direct via AB2E for any and all operations from 1993 to present. Be sure to include an SASE, green stamp, or new IRC, or you won't get a card. Sorry, no Bureau cards at this time, and no eQSL. As of February 28, 2011, all logs from all V26E operations (including 2010) have been uploaded to LoTW as well.

V4, ST. KITTS AND NEVIS. John, W5JON, will once again be operating as V47JA from his Calypso Bay, St. Kitts, W.I., hillside vacation home (CQZ 8, IOTA NA-104, Grid FK87pg) between July 12th and August 2nd. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using SSB. His activity will also include both the CQWW VHF Contest and RSGB IOTA (SSB) Contest. Equipment will be: Kenwood TS-590S, Yaesu FT-857D, KL-400 Amplifier (400 watts) and a 80-10m Multiband Dipole and S9 Vertical; 6m will be a 3 element yagi. His XYL Cathy, W5HAM, will occasionally operate as V47HAM. ALL QSLs go to his home callsign W5JON.

VK9, LORD HOWE ISLAND (Operators Needed). Members of the Hellenic Amateur Radio Association of Australia (HARAOA Group) are planning a major DX-pedition to Lord Howe Island (OC-004) as VK9HR for 10 days between July 8-17th. See OPDX.1002 for more details. The VK9HR team is looking for "any experienced CW, SSB or digital modes operators interested in attending the VK9HR Lord Howe Island Dxpedition." Please contact, if interested, the team leader Tommy, VK2IR at: vk2ir@vk2ir.com
For more details, visit the VK9HR Web Page at: http://www.vk9hr.com

VP8, FALKLAND ISLANDS. Iain, M0PCB, has been active as VP8DNA from the RAF Amateur Radio Club Station (VP8FIR/VP8RAF) located at the Mount Pleasant Airport on the Falkland Islands (SA-002). Activity will last until April 22nd. Operations have been very sporadic. QSL VP8DNA via M0PCB. Logs are now uploaded to LoTW.

VU4, ANDAMAN ISLANDS (Update/QRT). Members of the Amateur Radio Society of India (ARSI) active as VU4PB from Port Blair went QRT at 1829z on March 31st, and the various operators have headed home to get back to their normal lives. A large number of log check requests have been generated due to the pirate activities that unfortunately took place. In press release #8, it states: "We request all who sent in their requests to standby while we address the emails received over the next two weeks. Only after this is done will the final logs be sent over to our QSL Manager - Joe W3HNK for QSL responses. The breakup of QSOs by continent for the operation which logged around 33,000 contacts is given below: EU - 45%, AS - 30%, NA - 20% and Others - 5%."

W3, UNITED STATES (Lighthouse Op). Look for lighthouse special event station W3P to be operating from the annual "Waterfront Festival" at

the Piney Point Lighthouse (ARLHS USA-601), MD, on Saturday, May 14th,
between 1400-2000z. Activity will be on 40/20/17 meters using SSB and
PSK31. Please QSL via KA3UNQ with SASE or funds for return postage.

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FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the
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mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send
mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=help>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=unsubscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
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http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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380. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-10 22:09:59 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <8a3e216d-7fb1-4876-89a5-1778b1373861@v8g2000yqb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4670

On Apr 10, 5:36 am, SAMARA <jaidatta9...@gmail.com> wrote:
> hot lipkisshttp://

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381. south actress hot photos and videos

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-11 09:05:48 UTC
From: SAMARA <jaidatta9247@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <b4af2d6a-9b3e-44fe-a3ab-03b0b742c92d@h38g2000yqn.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4671

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http://hotactressstoyou.blogspot.com/2011/04/lipkiss-2.html
lipkiss in without dress
http://hotactressstoyou.blogspot.com/2011/04/lipkiss.html
seepika padukone sexy back look
http://hotactressstoyou.blogspot.com/2011/04/deepika-padukone.html
sexy katrina kaif
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http://hotactressstoyou.blogspot.com/2011/04/ileana.html

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-11 17:36:52 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <b0dbfa5d-e5cf-433f-be83-7c9048baab3c@s9g2000yqm.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4672

On Apr 11, 5:05 am, SAMARA <jaidatta9...@gmail.com> wrote:
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383. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 04 - 10 April 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-12 21:30:06 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20110412213001.CEA6333C6C@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4673
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.info

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:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2011 Apr 12 1823 UTC
# Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
# http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
04 - 10 April 2011

Solar activity was low. Three C-class events were observed on 06 and
07 April from the East Limb. On 08 April, Region 1185 (N23, L=033,
class/area Cso/100 on 05 April) was redefined as two distinct
groups, the second of which was designated Region 1189 (N23, L=033,
class/area Dso/040 on 08 April). Six regions, numbered 1184 through
1189, populated the visible disk by the end of the period. Of those,
Region 1184 (N17, L=110, class/area Dso/170 on 04 April) was the
largest. The remaining regions were small B or C type groups with
simple Beta magnetic characteristics. While x-ray activity was low,
several CMEs were observed during the period. The first CME launched
at 02/2347 UTC from Region 1176 (S15, L=200, class/area Eko/490 on
23 March). Additional CMEs were observed on 04 April, including one
from the northeast limb at 04/0509 UTC associated with a long
duration B-class flare. Two more CMEs were observed on 07 April. The
first originated from an active filament channel on the southeast
limb and was observed in SOHO/LASCO C3 imagery at 07/0754 UTC. The
second, seen at 07/1042 UTC, was thought to originate from old
Region 1176 which had rotated around the west limb on 04 April.
Finally, a slow partial halo CME was observed in SOHO/LASCO C2
imagery at 09/0024UTC.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
high levels from 04 - 06 April. Moderate levels were observed
throughout the rest of the period.

Geomagnetic field activity ranged from quiet to major storm levels.
The period began at unsettled to active levels in the midst of a
coronal hole high speed stream (CH HSS). The CME observed at 02/2347
UTC arrived at the ACE spacecraft at approximately 06/0854 UTC. A
sudden impulse of 24 nT was observed at Boulder at 06/0942 UTC.
Solar wind speeds at ACE jumped from 494 to 559 km/s, then climbed
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to a peak of 591 km/s at 06/1700 UTC. The Interplanetary Magnetic Field (IMF Bt) initially rose from +07 to +14 nT following the shock and peaked at +17 nT at 06/1030 UTC. The IMF Bz turned southward following shock passage and remained mostly southward until approximately 06/2000 UTC. A maximum southward deflection of -11 nT was observed at 06/1213 UTC. The geomagnetic field was at quiet to unsettled levels in the days prior to the CME arrival (04 - 06 April). Activity increased to unsettled to major storm levels once the CME arrived. Active to minor storm levels were recorded at Boulder and minor to major storm levels detected at high latitudes. Activity decreased to mostly unsettled levels after 06/1800 UTC as Bt decreased and Bz became variable at +03 to -03 nT. Geomagnetic activity returned to quiet to unsettled levels for the remainder of the week.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
13 April - 09 May 2011

Solar activity is expected to be at predominantly low levels for the entire period, with a slight chance for an M-class event when old Region 1176 returns on 17 April.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to begin the period at high levels following the increased windspeeds associated with the CH HSS. A return to normal to moderate levels is expected from 17 April until 01 May. High levels are expected to return from 02 - 05 May following a second CH HSS. Normal to moderate levels are expected for the remainder of the period.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be at predominantly quiet levels from 12 April until a CH HSS arrives on 17 April. Three days of unsettled to active conditions are anticipated, with a return to mostly quiet conditions on 20 April. Quiet to unsettled conditions with isolated active and minor storm periods are expected from 28 April - 01 May due to a second recurrent CH HSS becoming geoeffective. Quiet conditions are expected to return and persist until 07 May. Unsettled to active conditions with a chance for isolated minor storm periods are expected from 08 - 09 May as a third CH HSS rotates into a geoeffective position.

384. [DXNL] DXNL 1723 (Apr 13, 2011)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-13 00:54:07 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <8927806578.20110413012641@dxhf.darc.de>
Source record: 4674
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Lothar Wilke, DL3TD, Silent Key

With great sadness, the DARC e.V. has learned of the death of the Chairman of the DX and HF Contesting Committee of the DARC, Dr. Lothar Wilke, DL3TD, who was 58 years old. OM Lothar died in a house fire during the night of Thursday, April 7, 2011. His wife Christiane and some neighbors have been hospitalized for smoke inhalation. The cause of the fire and further details are not yet available from the authorities.
Following the German reunification OM Lothar was instrumental in integrating the RSV (German Democratic Republic) with the DARC (Federal Republic of Germany). An experienced contester, Lothar has been responsible for the success of DA0HQ, as well as many other activities.
With Lothar, the DARC has lost not only a key member of the DX and HF Contesting Committee, but a fine person and radio amateur. Our thoughts and condolences go out to his wife Christiane and family from the DARC Executive Committee and all members.

Other DXers who passed away last week are:
Gerard LeDrean,F6IJW, who was very active as FH8CL in the 1980s, and also Dianna R. Killeen,KB6NAN, who was a wellknown QSL manager. She passed away at the age of 62 on Apr 6. The QSL cards for all stations she managed should be sent to Russ,K6KLY, now.

A2 - BOTSWANA
Filip,ON4AEO, Steffi,ON3AEO, Jose,ON4CJK, Kath,ON7BK, Lucas,ZS6ACT, Adele,ZR6APT, Sid,ZS6AYC, and Gert,ZS6GC, will be on the air as A25FC from Apr 14-18. They want to be active in CW/SSB/RTTY/PSK on 160m-10m.
QSL via ON4CJK, via bureau or direct.
The website of Filip is: http://www.filipstattooshop.be/botswana

FH - MAYOTTE ISLAND, AF-027
Jose,PT9ZE, Ric,PY2PT, Anderson,PY2TNT, Alex,PY2WAS, and Fernando,PY4BZ

will show up from Mayotte (AF-027) signing TO2FH from Apr 18-25. They will work with three stations simultaneously in CW and SSB on 160m-10m. QSL cards are available only direct: For 7 US$ respectively 2 US$ for the less expensive cards. More details at: http://www.qrz.com/db/TO2FH

FJ - ST BARTHELEMY, NA-146
Anne,FJ/OH2YL, announced to be active from St Barthelemy (NA-146, DIFO FJ-001, WLOTA LH-0377) in CW on 10m-160m from Apr 15-27. Anne is using an Elecraft K2 transceiver, a Yaesu FT-897, a MAFET amplifier, an Inverted L antenna for 160m, verticals on 10m-30m, a G5RV and a Butternut HF2V for the other bands.
All QSL cards can be sent via bureau, direct or LoTW.
Bureau QSLs can be requested on: http://www.fjoh2yl.com

FS - ST MARTIN, NA-105
Pascal,FS/F5JSD, is active from St Martin (NA-105) since last tuesday until Apr 21. He is working in holiday style mainly in CW on 10m-40m. He also plans a side trip to the Dutch part of the island Sint Maarten and would should up as PJ7/F5JSD then.
QSL cards should be sent via bureau or LoTW to his homecall.

KH0 - NORTHERN MARIANAS / KH2 - GUAM / T8 - PALAU
Masahiko,JH4VUC, will be QRV as AH0CD from Saipan (OC-086) from Apr 17-19. His next stop will be Guam (OC-026) where he wants to become active as AH0CD/KH2 from Apr 20-22. Last not least he will show up from Palau (OC-009) signing T88VU from Apr 23-25.
He works with 500 watts in SSB on 40m/15m/10m/6m. QSL via homecall.

PJ2 - CURACAO, SA-099
Jan-Willem,PJ2/PA7JWC, and Monique,PJ2/PD7DB, plan to become active in CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK on 80-6m from Curacao (SA-099) from Apr 15-22. They have following equipment available: Yaesu FT879D, Fed-end for 20m, dipole for 40m, a FD-3 for 10m-40m and a vertical for 6m.
QSLs via bureau or direct to their homecalls. PJ2/PD7DB also via LoTW.
See also their website: http://www.pa7jwc.nl

T31 - CENTRAL KIRIBATI, OC-043
The upcoming DXpedition to Kanton Island (OC-043) from Apr 17-28 is very likely one of the highlights of this year. The callsign will be T31A and twelve operators will run six stations at the same time. Carlos,EA1IR, Jim,K6ZH, Dave,N1EMC, Arnie,N6HC, Bud,N7CW, John,N7CQQ, Mike,N9NS, Paul,UX2HO, Jay,W2IJ, Charlie,W6KK, Phil,W9IXX, and Hrane,YT1AD, will work in CW, SSB and RTTY on 160m-6m from two QTHs.
This frequency plan of T31A has been announced (in MHz) in advance:

Band	CW	SSB	RTTY
160m	1.826	1.843	---
80m	3.504	3.798	3.582
40m	7.004	7.084	7.043
30m	10.104	---	10.140
20m	14.024	14.195	14.080
17m	18.074	18.145	18.100

15m 21.024 21.295 21.080
12m 24.894 24.945 24.920
10m 28.024 28.495 28.080
6m 50.099 50.120 ---
You should check also the 60m band and following IOTA frequencies:
CW: 3530, 7030, 10113, 14040, 18098, 21040, 24920, 28040 kHz
SSB: 3765, 7055, 14260, 18128, 21260, 24950, 28460 kHz.
QSL cards should be sent via bureau or direct to W2IJ.
His address is: Jay Kobelin, 10628 Grandview Drive, Rancho Cucamonga,
CA 91701, USA.
More information can be found on their website: http://www.T31A.com

TT - CHAD
Phil,F4EGS, is on a business trip and will stay in the Chad from Apr 15
until Jun 15. Listen for TT8PK in CW/SSB/RTTY on 40m-10m.
QSL via bureau or direct to F4EGS.

XV - VIETNAM, AS-128
Sigi,DL8AKI, Udo,DL2AQI, Ingolf,DL4JS, And Rich,DK8YY, are going to
become active as XV4YY from Phu Quoc (AS-128) from Apr 18-30. They
will work in all modes on all bands with two stations plus amplifier.
Special emphasis will be put on the lowbands if local conditions permit
the right antennas. QSLs via bureau or direct to DH7WW.

5V - TOGO
Starting in the mid of April the callsign of Rudi,DL5MEV, Armin,DL5MGH,
Werner,DL9MBI, and Christian,DL3MBG, will be 5V7CC until Apr 28. They
will work in CW, SSB, RTTY and via EME on 160m-10m.
QSL via DL9MBI, Werner prefers to send and receive QSLs via bureau.
They also plan to publish an online log at: http://www.clublog.org

9N - NEPAL
Dov,4Z4DX/9N7DX, and his XYL Anat,9N7YL, are working in CW, RTTY and
PSK31 mainly on 20m/15m/10m/6m from Apr 13-30. Dov uses this stay to
organize a larger DXpedition not only to celebrate his 60th birthday
in November but also the 45th anniversary of his first licence.
QSL via 4Z4DX. See also: http://www.9n7dx.com

CROATIA, SPECIAL EVENT STATION
9A11P is working in all modes on all bands throughout the year to
celebrate the jubilee of the city of Djurdjevac. All QSOs will be
confirmed via bureau automatically.

ENGLAND, SPECIAL EVENT STATION
The "International Short Wave League" (ISWL) is celebrating its
65th anniversary. GB65ISWL will be active in SSB and PSK on the
upcoming weekend of Apr 15-17.
QSL via G6XOU, preferably via eQSL but also via bureau.

FRANCE, SPECIAL EVENT STATION
TM26UFT is working in CW on all bands from the 26th annual meeting of
the "Union Francaise des Telegraphistes" (http://www.uft.net) from

Apr 10-24. All QSOs will be confirmed via bureau or LoTW automatically.
Direct QSL cards should be addressed to F6ICG.

MEXICO, SPECIAL EVENT STATION
The members of the Mexican Contest and DX Group (DXXE) are going to
activate the special event station 4A0IARU from Apr 18-24. They are
not only pointing to the "World Amateur Radio Day" on Apr 18 but also
to the founding of the IARU 86 years ago. The QSOs are also good for
the DXXE Award (see: http://www.dxxe.org).
QSLs via bureau or direct to N7RO.

WFF OPERATION
Some members of the "Algarve STAR DX Team" will be active as CR6A from
the natural park "Submerged Fortress" (CTFF-07) on Apr 17. Jose,CT1EHX,
Arlindo,CT1EGW, Antonio,CT1GFK, Goncalo,CT1GPQ, and Miguel,CT1IUA, will
work in SSB and CW on 40m-10m only when the weather is fine! More info
about CR6A and about their award can be found on: http://algarvedx.com
QSL cards are managed by CT1GFK, direct or via bureau (e-mail requests
are also possible via ct1gfk@algarvedx.com).

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de
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These are some more links to online logs:
S21YZ http://www.s21yx.com/log.php
S79UFT http://www.uft.net/1-s79/searchlog_adif.php
5M2TT http://www.i2ysb.com
9N7AN http://logsearch.de/index.php/logsearch

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Apr 16/17: CQ Manchester Mineira DX Contest (see: http://www.cwjf.com.br)
Apr 15/16: Holyland Contest
Apr 16: ES Open HF Championship
Apr 16: European Sprint Contest

IOTA collected by Fredy,DE0MST (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
EU-042, D, Schleswig-Holstein NW Group: A group of German HAMs will be QRV
as DF0TM from Sylt (GIA/DID N-16) from Apr 15-18. QSL via DF0TM.
See also: http://www.df0tm.de

EU-136, 9A, Rab: 9A/HA5AUC, 9A/HA5BWW and 9A/HA7PC are working mostly in CW
but also in SSB on 80m-6m from Rab Island from Apr 11-18. Their equip-
ment includes an IC-756PRO, an IC-765, wire verticals and dipoles.
QSLs via homecalls (bureau/direct).

EU-138, SM, Senoren Island: Fred,SM7DAY/p, will be QRV in CW and SSB from
Senoren Island from Apr 16-23. QSL via homecall.

OC-171, VK4, QLD State (N. Coast) South Group: Craig,VK4LDX (VK8PDX), plans
to activate Magnetic Island as VK4LDX/p from Apr 17-20. He wants to
be active every day from 2100-0200 UTC and from 0600-1600 UTC.
QSL via homecall (bureau/direct).
See also: http://vk4ldxoc171.blogspot.com

Lighthouse activities (WLOTA/ARLHS/ILLW)

DF0TM B 1740 Sylt, Campen Apr 15-18
PJ2/PA7JWC J 6372 Curacao Apr 15-22
PJ2/PD7DB J 6372 Curacao Apr 15-22

Bandspots of the last 7 days

40m
HB0/SP7VC 7.054 1610Z via SP7VC (B)
OM2011IIHF 7.004 0520Z via OM5CD (B)
U5ARTEK/A 7.032 0841Z via UT7UT

30m
EG5CI 10.117 0812Z EU-069, via EA5EOR
HG20MAT 10.104 1635Z via HA3OD (B)
PY2WC 10.108 0420Z (B), (L), eQSL
VP5/W5CW 10.110 2238Z NA-002, via W5CW (d)
3B8MM 10.106 2235Z via DL6UAA (B)
5X1NH 10.104 0450Z via G3RWF (L)

20m
HC5AI 14.256 0602Z (d)
JW/F8DVD 14.220 0853Z EU-026, via F8DVD (B)
JW/F8DVD 14.018 0639Z EU-026, via F8DVD (B)
KK4PQ/qrp 14.062 2006Z
MM1REK/p 14.260 1421Z EU-010
N4EX/p 14.059 1754Z SOTA CM-001

17m
EA6/DL5NUA 18.071 1402Z via DL5NUA (B)
HB0/SP7VC 18.116 1725Z via SP7VC (B)
TM300CDXC 18.074 1435Z via F5IL (B)
5M2TT 18.140 1432Z via I2YSB (d)

15m
KP2M 21.017 1751Z via AI4U (L), (d)
XE2/EA6UP 21.012 1712Z via EA6UP (d)
9L5MS 21.026 1629Z via PA3AWW (B)

12m
HB0/SP7VC 24.942 1425Z via SP7VC (B)
J28RO 24.906 1220Z via F8DFP (B)
ST2AR 24.893 1645Z via S53R (d)
SU1SK 24.908 1520Z via SM5AQD (d)

ZD8PRL 24.945 1415Z AF-003, via M0PRL (B)
3D2A 24.983 0905Z via VK4AN (B)
3DA0TM 24.950 1700Z (d)
4Z5PI 24.945 1435Z (d)
5M2TT 24.896 1607Z via I2YSB (d)
5M2TT 24.970 1559Z via I2YSB (d)

10m
BA8AG 28.027 0816Z
CE5JZO 28.455 1944Z (B)
EA8/DL2DXA 28.003 1624Z AF-004, via DL2DXA (B)
JY4NE 28.040 1620Z via K3IRV (B)
LU6UO 28.037 1725Z
PY2/IK6OSZ 28.480 1133Z (d), eQSL
ST2AR 28.023 1648Z via S53R (d)
VP5/W5CW 28.011 1607Z NA-002, via W5CW (d)
YI1RZ 28.470 0742Z via IK2DUW
ZS3Y 28.460 0738Z via SQ8X (B)
3B8MM 28.006 1457Z via DL6UAA (B)
5N7M 28.003 1801Z via OM3CGN (B)
5M2TT 28.385 1815Z via I2YSB (d)
5M2TT 28.031 1506Z via I2YSB (d)
5N7M 28.003 1801Z via OM3CGN (B)
9M2MRS 28.007 0820Z via PA0RRS (B)
9M2TO 28.030 0824Z via JA0DMV (B)

* new QSL manager
(d) only direct
(B) bureau ok
(L) oTW
(r) bureau QSL via e-mail request

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

-Dec 3Y8XSA 1700/1717
18Apr-24Apr 4A0IARU 1723 *
-25Oct 5B50J 1700
31Mar-13Apr 5M2TT (EL) 1721
-28Apr 5V7CC 1723 *
20Feb-14Apr 5X1NH 1715
-08Jun 5X1VJ 1721
-Apr/12 5Z4RH ? 1674
-31Dec 9A11P 1723 *
11Apr-18Apr 9A/HA5AUC.. 1723 *
-Sep 9J2KK 1682
04Apr-18Apr 9L5MS 1720
-Apr 9M2MRS 1697
NOW 9M6/KM9D 1699
13Apr-30Apr 9N7DX & 9N7YL 1723 *

SOON 9Q1EK 1669
-Nov 9Q6CC 1699

14Apr-18Apr A25FC 1723 *
-Aug A92IO 1663
17Apr-19Apr AH0CD 1723 *
20Apr-22Apr AH0CD/KH2 1723 *
08Apr-18Apr AI5P/KH8 1722
-31Dec BP100 1684
-31Dec BV100 1684
-01May CN2PV 1714
17Apr CR6A 1723 *
-31Dec CW5RV 1711
-May D2AK 1675
-22Apr D2QR 1675
15Apr-18Apr DF0TM 1723 *
-31Aug DL20Y2DM 1700

15Apr-27Apr FJ/OH2YL 1723 *
06Apr-21Apr FM/F6ARC 1722
-Aug FO8RZ 1636
-Jul/12 FR8NE 1710
-21Apr FS/F5JSD 1723 *
15Apr-17Apr GB65ISWL 1723 *
-31Dec HB60LU 1711
01Jan-31Dec HG200LST 1708
-30Jun HG2011A 1713
-05Jun HI3/KL7JR 1717/1721
-May HR5/F2JD 1718
01Jan-31Dec IA7MM 1708
02Apr-15May II1ECO 1722
01Jan-31Dec II1ITA.. 1708
01Mar-30Sep IO4UI 1717
-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul/12 J28RO 1683
09Apr-15Apr JW1RSA 1722

-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
POSTPONED KH5 1674/1705
-31Dec LA200D 1713
10Apr-16Apr LG5LG/SJ9WL 1722
-31Dec LZ85R 1721
May &Aug OL100VP 1721
Jun OL1911VP 1721
Apr &Jul OL2011VP 1721
24Mar-18Apr OX/G4MFX 1720
-Sep P29CW 1713
02Apr-27Apr P29VCX.. 1721
03Apr-16Apr P4/W1HEO 1721
01Jan-31Dec PA30.. 1708
15Apr-22Apr PJ2/PA7JWC.. 1723 *

06Apr-15Apr R50YG & R50SK 1722
-Dec RI1ANC 1708
24Mar-15Apr S79UFT 1720
16Apr-23Apr SM7DAY/p 1723 *

17Apr-28Apr T31A 1723 *
2010 -May T6JC & T6TL 1695
23Apr-25Apr T88VU 1723 *
23Mar-17Apr TK/F8DZY 1720
10Apr-24Apr TM26UFT 1723 *
18Apr-25Apr TO2FH (FH) 1723 *
09Apr-22Apr TO2Z (FR) 1722
15Apr-15Jun TT8PK 1723 *
17Apr-20Apr VK4LDX/p 1723 *
-Mar/12 VK0KEV (Macq) 1700/1701
23Mar-20Apr VP5/W5CW 1720
NOW XT2RJA 1712
10Apr-15Apr XV2LC 1722
20Apr-55Apr XV4LC 1722
18Apr-30Apr XV4YY 1723 *
02Apr-16Apr ZA/F4DTO 1721
-Sep ZD9GI 1691
-31Dec ZL50GH 1711

* new or updated
.. and other calls

QSL information

BG4XEX via BD4XY (B)
BV0EXPO via BM2JCC
C6AGN via W1DIG (B)
CT7/DL7UZO via DL7UZO (B)
CT9/DL6MLA via DL6MLA (B)
DR2011VSI via DF7AA (B)
DU7/PA0HIP via PA0HIP (B)
EA8/DL2DXA via DL2DXA (B)
EB7BFG (d), eQSL, or http://www.eurobureauqsl.org
EN50UG via UX5UO (B)
EN50ESF via UT4EK
HA50HH via HA0HH
HF100MSC via SP1NQF (B)
HF800Z via SP6CES (B)
HL5/DL3OCH via DL3OCH (B)
II3MM via IZ3DBA (B)
J45MD via ON4PO (B), (L), eQSL
J6/W0SA via 8P9NX (B)
JT1DX via JT1CS (B)
KH6/K0UU via K0UU (d)
LY/I2FUG via I2FUG (B)
LY/I0SNY via I0SNY (d)

LZ02WFF via LZ1BJ (B)
OM2IIHF via OM2RC (B)
OM2011IIHF via OM5CD (B)
OX3XR via OZ3PZ (B)
OY6FRA via OY1JD (d)
R3K via RN3DK (B)
RG50F via RT3F
RI1ANC via RN1ON (B), (L)
RM9U via RZ9UF
RG50K via RW4HB (B)
RG50P via RA9FDR
RW0AJ via W3HNK (d)
SF5D via SM0DSF (L)
SN100MSC via SP3GVX
SN100SC via SP5SSB (B)
SP100MSC via SP2JMR
SP2FAP (d), eQSL
SP0BOCIEK via SP3PJW
SQ100MSC via SP5XSL (B)
SV5/SV1LK via SV1LK (B), (L)
U5ARTEK via UT7UT
UK8OAG via 4Z5OG (d)
UN7QX via W7BO (d)
UP2L via UA9AB (B)
UP7Z via UN7Z
UP9L via RW6HS (d)
UQ50P via UN7PL (B)
V21C via VE6AQF
3B8MM via DL6UAA (B)
4D69DM via DU1IVT
5N6/YL2SW via YL2SW
5W0JK via W2IJ (B)
6M23 via HL0DHQ
6M0HC via 6K2EJJ (B), (L)

(d) Only direct
(B) Bureau ok
(*) New QSL manager
(L) Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) E-mail request

QSL via IK2QPR: Paolo is the QSL manager of following stations:
EK3AA, EK3GM, EU6MM, EW6BN, EW6GB, EX2U, EX7MA, EX7MK, EX8QB, UA0FUA,
UA0YAY, UK8GH, UK8IZ, UK8OAH, UN1O, UN7FET, UN7FW, UN7JX, UN8FE, UN9PQ.
He still has open logs of his past activities as FO/IK2QPR, HR9/IK2QPR,
IU2ANT, IU2IPY, V25PR and VP5/IK2QPR.
Paolo confirms QSL cards either via bureau or direct.

QSLs arrived direct: ET3BN, T30YA (via W7YAQ), V25OP (W9OP)

DX MAGAZINE 2010 MOST WANTED

The DX Magazine published the results of their Most Wanted survey 2010.
These are the Top Ten worldwide:

Rank 2010 Prefix - Entity Rank 2009
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1. P5 - Nordkorea 1.
2. KP1 - Navassa 2.
3. 3Y - Bouvet 4. (+1)
4. 7O - Jemen 5. (+1)
5. VK0/H - Heard Island 6. (+1)
6. FT5/Z - Amsterdam 9. (+3)
7. ZS8 - Marion Island 3. (-4)
8. VP8/S South Sandwich 10. (+2)
9. FT5/W - Crozet 7. (-2)
10. BS7 - Scarborough Reef 11. (+1)
More information can be found at: http://dxpub.com/dx_news.html

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F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX, NG3K, PY4WAS, 4Z4DX and others.

The German PDF version can be found on the DARC homepage at:
http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxmb/2011

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385. The ARRL Contest Update for April 13, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-13 10:50:44 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20110413101847.A0211242A0@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 4675
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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NEW HF OPERATORS - THINGS TO DO

If you've been licensed for three years or less (or you know someone
like that) then give the ARRL's Rookie Roundup
<http://www.arrl.org/contests> a try on April 17th. It's a contest in
which the Rookies (that's you) are sought after by the experienced
stations instead of vice versa! This is the Phone version - there will
be an RTTY and a CW version later in the year! Try web-based logging at
In The Log <http://inthelog.com>. Stay tuned to the ARRL Rookie Roundup
page <http://www.arrl.org/rookie-roundup> for more information about
on-line logging and certificates.

BULLETINS

There are no bulletins in this issue.

BUSTED QSOS

Your editor managed to avoid bedaubing the previous issue with any
errors of confabulant scuttlebutt.

CONTEST SUMMARY

Complete information for all contests follows the Conversation section
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April 16-17

- ARRL Rookie Roundup--Phone
- NAQCC Monthly QRP Sprint--CW (Apr 13)
- CWops Monthly Mini-CWT Test (Apr 13)
- Holyland DX Contest (Apr 15)
- TARA Skirmish Dig Pfx Contest
- Lighthouse Spring Lites QSO Party
- ES Open HF Championship
- All America Contest--CW
- EU Spring Sprints--Phone
- Feld-Hell QRP Sprint
- Michigan QSO Party
- EA QRP Contest--CW
- Ontario QSO Party
- YU DX Contest--CW

April 23-24

- VHF Spring Sprints - 222 MHz (Apr 19)
- Ten-Ten Spring Digital Contest
- SP DX RTTY Contest
- Helvetia Contest
- QRP To The Field--CW
- South Dakota QSO Party

==> NEWS, PRESS RELEASES, AND GENERAL INTEREST

Tim K3LR wants to be sure everyone knows that Contest University <http://contestuniversity.com/> includes a new Youth CTU ("YCTU") track this year as part of the Dayton 2011 CTU experience. YCTU is specifically aimed at Amateur Radio operators that have an interest in contesting and who are 25 years old and younger. YCTU is led by Scott, W3TX - there is a separate classroom for all-day YCTU activities. If you are attending CTU, you are encouraged to consider bringing a young licensed Amateur Radio operator with you to CTU, family or friends. Full scholarships have been sponsored for YCTU attendees, so there are no YCTU fees for those (under 25 years old) who preregister (from the CTU website). Please consider bringing someone "young" to YCTU and submit their scholarship request ASAP. CTU 2011 will be held outside the US, too - June 25 in Germany; July 16/17 in Brazil; and Oct 8 in England. CTU also has its own Facebook <http://www.facebook.com/ContestUniversity> page and Tim wants to be sure we all know the Contest Super Suite <http://contestsupersuite.com/> will be active all four nights, as well as the 19th Annual Contest Dinner <http://contestdinner.com/> on Saturday.

Considering the success of the weekly NS Ladder series of sprint contests, here's another "low-impact" contest that could spark some ideas to attract new contesters on VHF. The Oregon Tualatin Valley ARC (OTVARC) sponsors a "Fifth Wednesday <http://www.otvarc.org/FifthWednesday.htm>" simplex contest on 147.54

MHz for an hour from 8-9 PM. (Thanks, Don W7WLL)

Being a complete science geek, your editor enjoys reading books about various math topics and my recent word wanderings took me to three very enjoyable titles:
Hidden Harmonies: The Lives and Times of the Pythagorean Theorem by Robert and Ellen Kaplan
Here's Looking at Euclid by Alex Bellos
Figuring It Out - Nuno Crato
The latter two tackle topics of various sorts from geometry to the interesting behavior of numbers without getting too deeply tangled in minutia or jargon. The first takes a more focused look at what is probably the most famous theorem in mathematics and possibly the oldest. Leavened with lively bits of writing, the book covers the history of the theorem and the many highways and byways that intersect in its domain - some quite surprising. If you've a sweet tooth for math candy, these three will make good summer reading.

My favorite ham radio celebration - WARD - the International Amateur Radio Union <http://www.iaru.org/> (IARU), and its member societies representing over 150 countries around the world, will celebrate World Amateur Radio Day <http://www.arrl.org/news/world-amateur-radio-day-set-for-monday-april-18> on April 18. The theme for this year's celebration is "Amateur Radio: The first technology-based social network." Make sure you get the word out - reminding readers that long before the Internet and smart phones, hams were talking, texting and sharing for decades without pre-established supporting infrastructure. Look for special events and call signs to be active <http://www.iaru-r2.org/world-amateur-radio-day/> with attractive QSLs and certificates <http://www.awards.pzk.org.pl/html/WARD.htm>.

Alex VE3NEA has released CW Skimmer <http://www.dxatlas.com/CwSkimmer>, version 1.7. This version is designed to work on Windows 7 in both 32-bit and 64-bit versions. The update is free for registered users and all others have a new 30-day trial period. (Thanks, Pete N4ZR)

More Dayton Hamvention <http://hamvention.com/> radiosport news from Shelby K4WW - "A History Of RTTY Contesting" by Mike K4GMH will run from 12-1 PM on Saturday, May 21, in Room 3. Beginning with the first contest in 1953, Mike's talk will help explain how and why many of today's contest rules came about. In addition, Mike will interject first-hand descriptions of what it was like participating in an early-1970's RTTY contest compared to today's RTTY contesting during the presentation.

In the "Friends Like These" category from ARRL Propagation Bulletin ARLP014 <http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation>, Danny K7SS of Seattle notes that just before the recent improved propagation conditions his antenna blew down in a windstorm. Now some of his more superstitious ham friends are begging him not to put it back up.

A new version of Chuck NO5W's cool mobile contesting software CQ/X <http://www.no5w.com/> is now available. The most interesting feature creates a county line crossing file used for real-time updates of the distance and time to the next county. CQ/X allows you to draw your planned route on a Google Map and submit it to CQ/X for analysis. CQ/X then determines your county line crossings and in addition creates a "drive path" that is then used during real-time operation to calculate distances and times to the next county and to specified waypoints on the basis of planned driving route.

>From Eugene UA0CA, "I wish to inform all of pleasant news - Russia has joined CEPT. Now foreign hams who have a radio amateur license and come to Russia will be able to operate without notice, using their call sign with a slash adding the call area of Russia. For example, RA0/JA8BMK."

Mitch DJ0QN reports sad news - "The DARC e.V. has learned of the death of the Chairman of the DX and HF Contesting Committee of the DARC, Dr. Lothar Wilke, DL3TD, who was 58 years old. OM Lothar died in a house fire during the night of Thursday, April 7, 2011. His wife Christiane and some neighbors have been hospitalized for smoke inhalation. OM Lothar was instrumental in integrating the RSV (German Democratic Republic) with the DARC (Federal Republic of Germany) following the German reunification. An experienced contester, Lothar has been responsible for the success of DA0HQ, as well as many other activities. With Lothar, the DARC has lost not only a key member of the DX and HF Contesting Committee, but a fine person and radio amateur. Our thoughts and condolences go out to his wife Christiane and family from the DARC Executive Committee and all members."

Web Site of the Week - Bell Labs was the birthplace of many technologies and scientific discoveries that virtually define our understanding of the modern world and The Bell System Technical Journal (BSTJ) was the record of those achievements. Not only that, but it included reprints of other important papers and reports, too. That's why it's great news to see in the IEEE's Antennas and Propagation Magazine "AP-S Turnstile" column by Rajeev Bansal that the entire archives of the BSTJ <http://bstj.bell-labs.com/> were placed online by Alcatel-Lucent - from the technical community, thank you!

WORD TO THE WISE

Sale Time - As we move into the warmer months, don't forget to take advantage of spring sales on camping and fishing equipment that serve double duty in the ham shack! Tackle boxes, fishing line, tools, poles - the list goes on and on. Take advantage of the high-volume consumer market to score some deals - and then you can spend the savings on real radio stuff!

==> SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

While wireless may not be the first thing one thinks of when considering artistic subject matter, Art Weinerman finds plenty. Check out his Fyrbotlz <http://www.fyrbotlz.com/> website for some vintage

radio art, & other interesting old time stuff. (Thanks, Don K4ZA)

Dave NN1N forwarded a link to this compilation of great photos <http://triggerpit.com/2010/11/22/incredible-pics-nasa-astronaut-wheelock/> from the ISS including a picture of Juan de Nova (FR/J) with an erupting volcano. While you're online, register your QTH at Heavens Above <http://www.heavens-above.com/> so you can wave as the ISS goes by overhead!

This release by Radiosport Films (WW2DX and W2RE) is a fun take on their CQ WW mission <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=x_zHBDeEf2Q&hd=1>! Fun and fast-paced with some great helicopter shots, recommended by Dave KM3T.

Standing Waves! Fire! Excellent! This Ruben's Tube (not Rubik's Cube) video <http://www.wimp.com/rubenstube/> has just about everything! (Thanks, Rick W0PC)

==> RESULTS AND RECORDS

Results for the 2010 ARRL Phone Sweepstakes by Steve N2IC are online <http://www.arrl.org/contest-results-articles> for your reading pleasure. Steve's usual insightful comments and "horse race" features are always fun. Similarly, you'll find the 2010 EME Results by Jeremy W7EME a click away. Next up will be the ARRL 160 Meter results by Gary K9AY.

The Sweepstakes results didn't get released without a little excitement, however, as recounted by ARRL Contest Branch Manager, Sean KX9X. "After the initial release of the 2010 November Sweepstakes club scores, it was brought to our attention that some stations claimed club affiliation even though they were operating outside of their club's circle. This was confirmed with a re-examination of the Club data. As a result, we re-compiled the Club Competition table and the order of finish in the Medium and Local Club categories in the 2010 November Sweepstakes has changed. Remember: ARRL Club Competition rules prohibit claiming club affiliation when operating outside of your club's circle, with the exception of offshore DXpeditions in the ARRL DX Contest in Medium and Unlimited Club categories. While the ARRL accepts responsibility for the error and regrets it, please do not claim Club affiliation if you are operating outside your club's circle."

The full results of the 2010 CQ WPX CW Contest are now available on the CQ WPX web site <http://www.cqwpx.com/>. Go to the Results tab to view PDF files of the writeup and scores from CQ Magazine. Also available is an Excel file with full breakdown of all club scores. All submitted logs (except CHECKLOGS) have been made public <http://www.cqwpx.com/publiclogs/2010cw/>, too. Now is the time to start looking over the records for your area and setting a goal for the 2011 CW contest on May 28-29. (Thanks, CQ WPX Director, Randy K5ZD)

As long as we're on the subject of WPX results, how about this pair of WPX SSB Claimed Scores:

Non-USA M/M HP
DR1A - 11969 QSOs & 1923 prefixes for 65,735,832 points
Non-USA M/2 HP
5D5A(@CN3A) - 10498 QSOs &1713 prefixes for 67,492,200 points
Wow! That's a lot of calls, points, prefixes, and ratt'lin. (Thanks,
John K1AR)

Ron WD4AHZ reports that he has just finished and posted the 2010 FQP
results <http://floridaqsoparty.org/results/fqp2010.pdf> on the Florida
QSO Party web site. This year's contest is just weeks away!

OPERATING TIP

Operating ethics apply to DXing and contests much the same. To that
end, here are a couple of online resources. The Utah DX Association has
published the "New DXers Manual <http://www.udxa.org/>" by Bryce K7UA.
Another useful "handbook" is "Ethics and Procedures for the Radio
Amateur (3rd edition)
<http://www.ham-operating-ethics.org/files/1-Eth-operating-EN-IARU-R1-V3-CORR-2011.pdf>"
which is sponsored by the IARU and written by ON4UN and ON4WW. Both
might remind even grizzled veterans of certain rules of the radio road.
And don't forget the ARRL's contribution, "HF Operating Guidelines
<http://www.arrl.org/hf-operating-guidelines>". (Thanks, Jim K7WA and
Rob KD7H)

==> TECHNICAL TOPICS AND INFORMATION

Although "hot switching" is usually a bad thing, RF switching relay
contacts that are intermittent on receive can sometimes be temporarily
restored that way. Tim K3LR suggests, "set (output power) at about 20
watts. Hot switch your relay box several times while transmitting a CW
carrier. The small arcing that occurs while doing this "hot" switching
- along with the wipe from the relay contact construction closure may
clean the contacts well enough that the problem will subside during
receive." You'll probably still have to manually clean or replace the
relay but this procedure may provide temporary relief.

Dennis N6KI found this excellent writeup
<http://kb5wia.blogspot.com/2009/12/atas-120a-disassembly.html> with
photos by KB5WIA on repairing and maintaining the Yaesu ATAS-120A
motorized screwdriver antenna.

Every enthusiast needs an "Awesome Button
<http://blog.makezine.com/archive/2011/04/the-awesome-button.html>" and
this video shows how to use an Arduino microprocessor to create one!
I'll bet that with a little coding, you could turn this into a voice
keyer for contesting - maybe it could say, "What's your call?" or come
up with other ways to ask for a repeat of exchange info!

Wow - here's a new technology that might catch on. "Regional
Broadcast Using an Atmospheric Link Layer" was described in the April
1st compilation of articles by Slashdot <http://tech.slashdot.org/> and
has an Internet RFC standard <http://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc6217.html>

and everything! I wonder if this is patented!

An interesting new VHF/UHF turnstile <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Turnstile_antenna> antenna design was published in the October 2010 issue of the IEEE Antennas and Propagation Magazine. (Vol 52, No 5) By RadnoviÄ☐, NešiÄ☐, and MilovanoviÄ☐, the design takes care of the phasing requirements by detuning the elements from resonance - no quarter-wave feed lines are required, simplifying construction. An L-C lattice balun <http://www.odyseus.nildram.co.uk/RFMicrowave_Circuits_Files/Balun%20Design.pdf> is used at the feed point.

Here's a simple Excel spreadsheet <http://audiosystemsgroup.com/intermod.xls> that illustrates the principles of intermod prediction by predicting intermod between up to five frequencies and two broadcast carriers. It is also unprotected with all the formulas visible, so you can see how to expand it to consider more channels or improve it. (Thanks, Jim K9YC)

If you are concerned about abrasion of cables on a tower leg or rung, look for a product called Spiral Wrap which is normally used to tidy up cabling. Spiral wrap is perhaps a sixteenth of an inch thick plastic and can be wrapped around the offending material or the feed line to be protected then secured with electrical tape. (Thanks, Doug EI2CN)

Technical Web Site of the Week - If you are a fan of utility programs, you'll be glad to know that Dan AC6LA has been busy lately! His TLDetails <http://www.ac6la.com/tldetails.html> transmission line utility program has been modified to include the effects of dc resistance and internal inductance, added two new plot functions, and several dozen new line types have been added. The Zplots <http://www.ac6la.com/zplots.html> Excel utility calculates and plot various attributes of transmission lines from antenna analyzer or vector network analyzer data. There are two small workbooks showing various formulas <http://www.ac6la.com/tlmath.html> that are used when dealing with transmission lines and a workbook <http://www.ac6la.com/feed2el.html> to aid in the design of a typical two-element phased array loosely based on the 'Arrayfeed1' app by W7EL.

==> CONVERSATION

Turn On, Tune Up, Tune In

You may remember the call sign W5ZN - perhaps as a past-President of the ARRL? Joel has moved on to bigger and better things - he's the new Contest Manager for ARRL VHF+ contests! As an ARRL Contest Manager, Joel will be promoting and helping to guide the ARRL VHF+ contest program - and operating in them, too. Joel is building a bigger and better station for all bands, now that he has more time for getting on the air. Let's see what he has to say!

73, Ward N0AX

As the low band and DX contesting season comes to a close many begin to focus on VHF+ activity with the birth of a new sporadic E and tropo season, and thoughts of the summer VHF+ contests avail.

While various VHF+ contests, sprints and operating activities occur throughout the year, the most anticipated of all is the ARRL June VHF QSO Party, scheduled each year to take advantage of the peak sporadic E season. There is nothing more exciting than to be constantly calling CQ on a band and have it instantly burst wide open with activity. Just last year the 2 meter band, open only to local contacts within a 300 mile radius, burst wide open on paths from Texas to New England. When "double hop" sporadic E occurs on 50 MHz stations on the East Coast easily work West Coast stations and those in the "middle" enjoy paths to both.

As Solar Cycle 24 begins its incline, DX contacts on 50 MHz during the contest will increase. Each June a few are made into the South and Midwest, however, given the propagation enhancement on 10 meters recently resulting from increased sunspot activity I expect an increase in DX contacts this spring and summer.

50 MHz has become increasingly popular over the past few years thanks primarily to the availability of 6 meters on just about all HF radios and the small size and lower antenna height requirements. n addition, columns in QST and The National Contest Journal focus on 6 meters, thus raising awareness of what that band can produce.

As with all contests, a variety of categories exist to accommodate various VHF+ operating styles. One popular contest category is Rover. Its popularity is driven by two factors; the small size of VHF+ antennas with gain that can be applied to a mobile installation and the use of Maidenhead Grids as multipliers in VHF+ contests. This category provides a unique appeal to those that live in antenna-restricted neighborhoods in that a multiband station can be installed in a vehicle, providing operation from a variety of grids. You can become VERY popular from a rare grid multiplier!

The usual fixed-station categories are also available for single and multi-op entries. The competition is not only fierce but quite exciting among entrants. If you want to join in the excitement from this angle, review past contest results to see who the multi-ops are and contact them to see if any operator slots are available. Stations will be active on all bands from 50 MHz all the way up to light!

Want to learn more about VHF+ Contesting? Contest University in Dayton provides two sessions on the topic covering everything from beginner to advanced strategy. You can also review a very detailed and informative paper on VHF+ contests <http://www.w9smc.com/SMC%20VHF/The%20State%20of%20VHF%20Contesting.pdf> written by Kevin, W9GKA.

The Spring VHF Sprints are about to begin, so tweak up the station and get ready for the ARRL June and September VHF Contests and the CQ July

VHF Contest!

73, Joel W5ZN

==> CONTESTS

13 April through 26 April

An expanded, downloadable version of QST's Contest Corral in PDF format <http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar> is available. Check the sponsor's Web site for information on operating time restrictions and other instructions.

HF CONTESTS

ARRL Rookie Roundup--Phone, from Apr 17, 1800Z to Apr 17, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28, 50. Exchange: Both calls, name, check, S/P XE⌿ or "DX". Rules <http://www.arrl.org/contests>

NAQCC Monthly QRP Sprint--CW, from Apr 13, 0030Z to Apr 13, 0230Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Frequencies: Monthly on 2nd Tuesday or 3rd Wednesday (alternating). Exchange: RST, S/P/C, and NAQCC mbr nr or power. Logs due: 4 days. Rules <http://naqcc.info/>

CWops Monthly Mini-CWT Test--CW, from Apr 13, 1300Z to Apr 14, 0400Z - Multiple operating periods. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Twice monthly on 2nd and 4th Wed, 18 to 28 kHz above band edge. Exchange: Name, member number or S/P/C. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.cwops.org/onair.html>

Holyland DX Contest--Phone, CW, Digital, from Apr 15, 2100Z to Apr 16, 2100Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RS(T), serial or Israel district. Logs due: May 31. Rules <http://www.iarc.org/>

TARA Skirmish Dig Pfx Contest-- Digital, from Apr 16, 0000Z to Apr 16, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50. Exchange: Name, prefix. Logs due: May 17. Rules <http://www.n2ty.org/seasons/tara_dpx_rules.html>

Lighthouse Spring Lites QSO Party--Phone, CW, Digital, from Apr 16, 0001Z to Apr 24, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: ARLHS number or serial, name, S/P/C. Logs due: 12 days. Rules <http://arlhs.com/>

ES Open HF Championship--Phone, CW, from Apr 16, 0500Z to Apr 16, 0859Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5,7. Exchange: RS(T), serial, dupes OK once/hour. Logs due: May 20. Rules <http://www.erau.ee/index.php?newlang=eng>

All America Contest--CW, from Apr 16, 1500Z to Apr 17, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST, continent, and category. Logs due: Jun 30. Rules <http://www.powerline.com.br/cwjf/eng4.htm>

EU Spring Sprints--Phone, from Apr 16, 1600Z to Apr 16, 1959Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Frequencies: 3.730, 7.050, 14.250. Exchange: Both call signs, serial, name. Logs due: 15 days. Rules <http://www.eu-sprint.com/>

Feld-Hell QRP Sprint-- Digital, from Apr 16, 1600Z to Apr 16, 1800Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Frequencies: Monthly on 3rd Saturday. Exchange: RST, QTH, Feld-Hell number. Rules <http://www.feldhellclub.org/>

Michigan QSO Party--Phone, CW, from Apr 16, 1600Z to Apr 17, 0400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Frequencies: CW 45 kHz from band edge, Phone 3.825, 7.200, 14.250, 21.300, 28.450. Exchange: Serial and MI county or S/P/C. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.miqp.org/>

EA QRP Contest--CW, from Apr 16, 1700Z to Apr 17, 1300Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST, category, M if EA QRP member. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.eaqrp.com/>

Ontario QSO Party--Phone, CW, from Apr 16, 1800Z to Apr 17, 0500Z and Apr 18, 1200Z to Apr 18, 1800Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50,144, Frequencies: Multiple operating periods; CW 30 kHz above band edge; Phone 1.870, 3.735, 3.860, 7.070, 7.260, 14.130, 14.265, 21.260, 28.360; VHF-SSB: 50.130, 52.540, 144.205, 146.550. Exchange: RS(T), S/P/C or Ontario QTH. Logs due: May 19. Rules <http://www.va3cco.com/>

YU DX Contest--CW, from Apr 16, 2100Z to Apr 17, 0500Z and Apr 18, 0900Z to Apr 18, 2100Z - Multiple operating periods. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RST and ITU zone. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.yu1srs.org.rs/dl/yudx/yudxmain.html>

Ten-Ten Spring Digital Contest-- Digital, from Apr 23, 0001Z to Apr 24, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 28. Exchange: Call, name, county & S/P/C, 10-10 number. Logs due: 15 days. Rules <http://www.ten-ten.org/>

SP DX RTTY Contest-- Digital, from Apr 23, 1200Z to Apr 24, 1200Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST, serial, SP province. Logs due: May 24. Rules <http://www.pkrvg.org/zbior.html>

Helvetia Contest--Phone, CW, Digital, from Apr 23, 1300Z to Apr 24, 1259Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RS(T), serial or Swiss canton. Logs due: 15 days. Rules <http://www.uska.ch/>

QRP To The Field--CW, from Apr 23, 1500Z to Apr 24, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 7-28. Exchange: RST, S/P/C. Logs due: Jun 1. Rules <http://www.zianet.com/qrp>

South Dakota QSO Party--Phone, CW, Digital, from Apr 23, 1700Z to Apr 24, 1700Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Frequencies: CW - 3.58, 7.035, 14.07; Phone - 1.845, 3.855, 7.180, 14.255, 21.355, 28.455 on SSB; RTTY - 3.585, 7.038, 14.075, 21.075; PSK - Clg Freq. Exchange: RS(T) and SD county or S/P/C. Logs due: Jun 1. Rules <http://www.w0blk.org/>

VHF+ CONTESTS

VHF Spring Sprints--Phone, CW, Digital, from Apr 19, 7 PM to Apr 19, 11 PM. Bands (MHz): 222. Exchange: Grid Square (6-character preferred). Logs due: 14 days. Rules <http://sites.google.com/site/springvhfupsprints>

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==> LOG DUE DATES

13 April through 26 April

April 13 - RSGB Commonwealth Contest
<http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2011/rberu.shtml>

April 15 - Classic Exchange
<http://www.classicexchange.org/jan11/jan11ann.html>

April 15 - Virginia QSO Party
<http://www.qsl.net/sterling/VA_QSO_Party/2011_VQP/2011_VQP_Rules.html>

April 15 - SKCC Weekend Sprint <http://www.skccgroup.com/sprint/wes/>

April 15 - CLARA HF Contest <http://clara.hfradio.net/?page_id=145>

April 15 - Elecraft QSO Party
<http://www.elecraft.com/Awards/eqp_2011.htm>

April 16 - SOC Hank Kohl Memorial CW Bash
<http://www.qsl.net/soc/k8dd_bash.htm>

April 17 - Montana QSO Party <http://www.fvarc.org/?q=node/77>

April 17 - ARCI Spring QSO Party
<http://www.qrparci.org/content/view/8347/118/>

April 17 - UBA Spring Contest, 2m
<http://www.uba.be/sites/default/files/uploads/hf_contests/uba_spring_en.pdf>

April 19 - RSGB RoPoCo SSB
<http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2011/rropoco.shtml>

April 20 - Wisconsin QSO Party
<http://www.warac.org/wqp/wiqp_rules.htm>

April 22 - SARL 80m QSO Party
<http://www.sarl.org.za/public/contests/SARL_2011_Contest%20Manual_issue_9.pdf>

April 23 - EA RTTY Contest
<http://www.ure.es/contest/430-ea-rtty-contest.html>

April 24 - EU Spring Sprint, CW
<http://www.eu-sprint.com/index.php?page=140%E2%8C%A9=g>

April 25 - CQ WW WPX Contest, SSB <http://www.cqwpx.com/rules.htm>

April 25 - Hungarian Straight Key Contest
<http://hskc.ha8kux.com/data/2011/Hungarian%20Straight%20Key%20Contest%202011.pdf>

April 26 - QRP Homebrewer Sprint
<http://www.njqrp.org/data/qrphomebrewersprint.html>

April 26 - 144 MHz Spring Sprint
<http://sites.google.com/site/springvhfupsprints/2011-announcement>

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Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our lastet NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2011-04-13
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter, once a week (due to QRL
and expedition circumstances in week 15 on wedenesday!!!)
from now on - if any special activities will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further detail please be so kind and watch our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you vy welcome for any
input and we do hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
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** MOST WANTED SQUARES & DXCCs at the VHF-DX-Portal of MMMonVHF **

Just in advance of the active meteorscatter time of the year
(as well gd EME condx and the MS showers in may and june) we would
like to remember that these services are only as good as YOU (as
the USER) are doing UPDATES at our different sources...
Please do yourself and all of us the favour and check and update
periodical the following links and tools - last chance!!!

eMWS (MOST WANTED SQUARES) >>> www.mmmonvhf.de/emws.php
MWDXCC (MOST WANTED DXCC) >>> www.mmmonvhf.de/dxcc.php

We will spread the Result 24 of april, as easter present ;-)
Thanks in the name of all USER of MMMonVHF and the team which is
always trying to pass you as soon as possible the latest News...
SOURCE: Guy, DL8EBW, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

** AURORA??? Space Weather News for April 12, 2011 **

GEOMAGNETIC STORM: A solar wind stream hit Earth's magnetic field
on April 12th, sparking Northern Lights as far south as Michigan
and Minnesota in the USA. At the time of this alert (April 12 @
1600 UT), the G1-class event is still underway. Images and updates
are available at http://spaceweather.com
SOURCE: http://spaceweather.com/services/

** Araucaria VHF Contest 07 and May 8, 144MHz and 50MHz **

Almost all of us have a VHF on home, car or on the field, in order
to invite you to participate in this year's ARAUCARIA VHF CONTEST,
and we closed new stamps will be an honor to a close contact ...
It is a sport very interesting, as we have CW, SSB and FM, many
people in the hills above the other 1000 meters to sea level,
national and international stations. Participate and some close
contacts because we were very happy to exchange some QSLs in a
different mode of HF. We ask everyone to publicize this event!
Site: http://www.avhfc.com/
SOURCE: tnx to Ricardo, PY2VOX, direct to MMMonVHF
PW2C - DX VHF BRASIL - Campinas - SP - Brasil

** DL3TD, SILENT KEY **

Lothar Wilke, DL3TD (ex DM2DUK and Y24UK) died at 58 years of age
in his house fire in the early hours of 7 April. He was DARC DX and
Contestmanager, and the driving force behind the successful DF0HQ or
DA0HQ contest station... SOURCE: [425ENG] 425 DX News #1040
The Team of MMMonVHF will pass our deep sympathy and condolences
to his family. Rest in peace, Lothar! SOURCE: The MMMonVHF Team

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
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and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: PJ4 ; Square: FK52 ; Start: 2011-04-07 **
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Announcement New DXCC 144MHz moonbounce: PJ4 in FK52ud
Peter, PJ4NX, will operate, if time permits, PJ4X until
the end of April! now abt 290 Inits! www.emelogger.com/bonaire
SOURCE: tnx to Rene, PE1L, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: PJ2 ; Square: FK52 ; Start: 2011-04-14 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3711

Johan PA3FPQ, Jurgen PE1LWT and Rene PE1L will travel, after the
PJ4X activity to PJ2 the new DXCC Curacao in FK52NC
LATEST NEWS from PJ-Team, dated 2011-04-13: Today the european
teammembers Jurgen PE1LWT, Rene PE1L and Johan PA3FPQ traveled to
Curacao while Pter PJ4NX did stay on Bonaire. With a little delay
the plane landed on Curacao and all luggage came through the custums
and all seems to be in good condition. (no time to check all) When
arrived at the house we could see the results of the heavy rain
lately here in Curacao. Lot of water arround the house so we decided
to put on our swimsuit for a little dip, pse notice we did not see

the see or beach on Bonaire because the hard on the antennasystem.
Now the moonrise is later on the day we have some spare time to
spent on pleassure. The rented cottage is not excactly what we had
in mind when we booked it a few months ago but we will handle it.
i.e. the icecream picture on the menucard is not the same as the one
beeing served. Tomorrow (april 13th) we will starting to build up
the station. All we we can say is that we need al least 10 degrees
on moonset and moonrise. We do our best to be qrv as soon as
possible - Call will be PJ2/PE1L, locator FK52vc - And freq is
planned to be 144124 (keep an eye on N0UK logger and
www.livecq144.com for last minute freq change because birdy's)
SOURCE: Rene, PE1L, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: GD ; Square: IO74 ; Start: 2011-04-09 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3692
USE the MMMonVHF DX Blog: www.mmmonvhf.de/showblog.php?ca=MD-DH7FB

Frank DH7FB & Bernd DF2ZC qrv from GD in april 2011
LATEST NEWS from the MD/Team dated 2011-04-11: We are very happy with
the results because the location is not at all good for EME work. It
is very secluded and surrounded by high trees which make working at
moonrise quite hard with a lot of additional attenuation. On the
other hand nearly 100 QSOs in the first pass is something we never
reached from previous dxpeditions. Looking forward to today's moon
pass - and please remember to call us only if you copy us!!! Have a
look at our twitter site with JPGs: twitter.com/dxpeditions Today's
callsign is MD/DF2ZC. SOURCE: Bernd, DF2ZC direct to MMMonVHF
LOG will be daily updated: www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3692

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
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and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** RADIO EXPEDITION SIERRA LEONE 2011 (IJ38JK) **

Lance did make a first EME QSO on 50 MHz with the Group! They were
running 550w output to a Tonna 5 element yagi with about 1 dB of
feedline loss. They will be on below 20 degrees elevation for the
next couple of days. They are calling CQ in the first sequence on
50.200. Their moonset is after midnight and is their best direction
since there is no ionization to their west at that time of day to
disrupt the EME signals. GL and VY 73, Lance, W7GJ
SOURCE: Lance, W7GJ via MAGIC-BAND-EME Reflector

** Grid Trip DN00/01/02/03/04/11/12 by K7BV **

Friends, I am finalizing my schedule for a Grid Trip April 19-28
that will include operations in DN00-01-02-03-04-11-12. I will
release the schedule tonight or tomorrow. I have noted that there
have been a few Sporadic Es openings during this period in past
years so I have my fingers crossed. I do believe, however, that this
trip may have to rely heavily - if not totally - on scatter....
any mode. Some of these operations will be on grid borders out in
Never Neverland. I sure could use some telephone numbers to call to
request a spot being posted on PingJockey and elsewhere because
Internet access will be out of the question. If you are willing to
volunteer to assist, please drop me a private message with the
telephone number I can call and what days/hours are acceptable for
those calls. I will keep the telephone numbers totally confidential.
SOURCE: Dennis K7BV via VHF/WSJT Reflector

** V47JA + V47HAM qrv from FK87PG end july **

John, W5JON (V47JA) and xyl Cathy, W5HAM (V47HAM) will once again
be active from their Calypso Bay, island of St. Kitts (IOTA NA-104)
hill side vacation home (WW Loc. FK87PG) between 12 July and 2 Aug.
2011. Plans are to be QRV on 80-6 metre SSB, including both CQWW
VHF Contest and RSGB IOTA (SSB) Contest. Equipment will be: Kenwood
TS-590S, Yaesu FT-857D, KL-400 Amplifier (400 Watts) and 80-10m
Multiband Dipole, and S9 Vert.; 6m - 3el Yagi. QSL both V47JA and
V47HAM via W5JON (QRZ.com)
SOURCE: [NG3K] via (and tnx to) Andy, N8OFS, direct to MMMonVHF

** HF and 50 MHz activity from Rab Island **

Pista 9A/HA5AUC, Ed 9A/HA5BWW and Karcsi 9A/HA7PC will be
active from Rab Island (IOTA EU-136, ACIA IC-168, CIA-38, IOCA CI-096
MIA MC-330, WLOTA 2198, WW Loc. JN74JR) on 11-18 April 2011. QRV on
80-6 metres, mostly CW, but some SSB as well. Equipment will be
IC756PRO and IC765 with wire verticals on fishing poles. QSL via
home calls via the HA bureau.
SOURCE: [HA0HW] via [DX-ENG] ICPO Bulletin (08-15 April 2011)

** special callsign XM2I on the air **

Members of the NA-128 Contest Group will activate the special call
XM2I on 29-31 July 2011 from Ile-aux-Grues (IOTA NA-128, CIsA QC-038,
Grid FN47RB, ARLHS CAN-973 [Historic]), Province of Quebec. They will
also be QRV in the RSGB IOTA Contest (30-31 July) as a Multi-Single
entry. After the contest, there may be a short operation from the
Pointe aux Pins lighthouse (ARLHS CAN-1390, WW Loc. FN47RB) located
on Ile-aux-Grues, and activation of Isle aux Oies (private island
(CIsA QC-039, WW Loc. FN47SD). QRV on 80-6m SSB, CW and RTTY and
PSK31, with one station dedicated to 6m. QSL via VE2CQ, bureau or

direct. Website: www.qsl.net/na128cg/
SOURCE: [islandchaser.com] via [DX-ENG] ICPO Bulletin

** JH4VUC, PACIFIC TOUR (incl. 6m) **

Masahiko, JH4VUC, plans to activate the following islands during the last few weeks in the month of April. Activity from all islands will be on 40/15/10/6 meters using 500 watts and SSB. QSL via his home callsign. His tentative schedule is:
April 17-19th - Saipan, Mariana Islands; callsign AH0CD
April 20-22nd - Guam; callsign AH0CD/KH2
April 23-25th - Palau; callsign T88VU
SOURCE: Bill, NG3K via [DX-ENG] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1006

** 3D2/R, ROTUMA, activity on HF and 50 MHz **

Eddie, 3D2A/VK4AN, member of the Pacific DXer's, announced: "A team of 'PACIFIC DXERS', have 'ALL PERMITS' in place and are planning to sail for Rotuma early October 2011 and operate for 3 weeks (October 15th to November 15th). The team so far consists of: Eddie/3D2A/VK4AN Rocky/3D2DD, Bill 3D2(?)/VK4FW...others are pending. We already have 24-hr power and accommodation arranged. Most of the 3D2A equipment is in Fiji already. We are seeking expressions of interest from experienced CW/SSB/Digital mode operators and possibly a 6m enthusiast A 6m beacon will be established on 50.095 MHz. Rigs so far include K3 Flex5000A, Emtron DX1b amp, FT-900, Spiderbeam, wire antennas, DX88 vertical. This will be the anniversary of the FIRST operation from Rotuma by Eddie/ 3D2A/VK4AN...original license was 3D2XX/rotuma in 1988. The callsign has not been issued yet, but we expect to be issued with either 3D2P or 3D20R... The alternative will be 3D2A/ R(otuma)." SOURCE: [DX-ENG] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1006

** 8P, BARBADOS, activity on HF and 50 MHz **

Fred, PY2XB, will be active as 8P9XB from St. Philip, Barbados (NA-021) between May 8-21st. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. He will have a 6m beacon on at 50.099 MHz (Grid Locator GK03gc). QSL via PT7WA. SOURCE: [DX-ENG] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1006

** 9N, NEPAL qrv again on HF and 50 MHz **

Operators Dov/4Z4DX/9N7DX and XYL Anat/9N7YL will be active between April 13-30th. Activity will be mainly 20/15/10/6 meters using mostly CW, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via 4Z4DX. Dov has activated a new Web page for this operation at: http://www.9n7dx.com
SOURCE: [DX-ENG] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1006

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... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
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The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

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387. HOT FOR TENAGERS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-13 16:34:16 UTC
From: SAMARA <jaidatta9247@gmail.com>
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388. get kelp

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From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
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On Apr 13, 12:34 pm, SAMARA <jaidatta9...@gmail.com> wrote:
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389. SUPER HOT VIDEOS N BULK SEXY PHOTOS

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390. WIANEWS FOR WEEK COMMENCING APRIL 17 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-14 09:21:20 UTC
From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
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Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2011-04-17.mp3
Text edition:

WIANEWS - APR 17 - VK NATIONAL NEWS

THE BEST NEWS YOU'LL GET ALL WEEK

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Please.. If you are only submitting text and not audio, write your story as
you would expect to hear it being read back and NEVER send just links & url's.

WIANEWS FOR WEEK COMMENCING APRIL 17 2011.

NIGERIAN SCAM!

Special temporary call signs for Royal Wedding

WIA NATIONAL FIELD DAY ON TODAY

WIA AGM Darwin Book Now!

ALL THESE STORIES UP AND COMING IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS
INSTITUTE OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING APRIL 17 2011.

NIGERIAN SCAM!

Motorola warns customers, beware! fake Motorola products!

These 'fakes' are being offered in Nigeria and not only consumer products
such as household items, mobile phones and automobile spare parts, but
professional telecommunication devices, such as two-way radios are becoming
affected too.

Mobile Equipment manufacturers, Motorola, has alarmed its customers that
several counterfeit Motorola products have recently hit the Nigerian market,

all of which lack the quality and ruggedness of the original, leaving users unable to rely on their functionality.

Wireless technology is revolutionizing the ways first responders and others who work under difficult circumstances in Nigeria conduct their jobs, empowering them with the best information when and where it matters most to best serve and protect their communities and Motorola says that its mission-critical solutions range from two way radio communications products and systems to an array of mobile computing devices.

(press reports)

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Today they give up, to put something back

As we go to air in the morning on Sunday the 17th of April, some 30 clubs and groups around Australia are on air for the Tune-In to the world, Amateur Radio get people talking ? WIA National Field Day.

Among the latest to join is the newly formed Central Queensland Amateur Radio Association at both the Bunnings Warehouse car park in North Rockhampton and the Mount Morgan Range.

Not bad having just been formed and with more than 20 enthusiastic members. Another entry has just been received from the Orange and District Amateur Radio Club with its special event callsign VI50AOA.

In all 30-odd clubs and groups are lined up for the Tune-In to the world, Amateur Radio get people talking ? public relations event.

Check out all of the entries on-line on the WIA website www.wia.org.au
They are set up at mainly public places with a range of equipment to showcase what amateur radio has to offer them.

Each has been given a display and hand-out sheet detailing the paths taken by a number of newcomers to our hobby. The information entitled ?My Story? makes interesting reading.

Remember the day - Sunday the 17th of April ?the WIA National Field Day.

WIA AGM

Gday this is Spud on behalf of the Wireless Institute of Australia and the Darwin Amateur Radio Club.

The annual WIA conference is being held in Darwin over the weekend of 27, 28 and 29th of May.

Come and join us for a great weekend of fun and friendship with fellow amateurs.

The weekend should go like this,

Friday night gather at the Darwin Trailer Boat Club for a sumptuous dinner by the sea as the sun, sets over the fleet at anchor in the harbour. Always Gorgeous.

Saturday we get down to business in the morning with the WIA Annual general meeting and then the forums presentation.

Saturday afternoon sees a series of presentations based around technology for the bush.

How 24 hour electricity is provided in the homelands with solar and in larger communities with hybrid solutions. How it is evaluated and negotiated.

2 very special presentations by amateurs involved in Bushlight and Powercorp.

Then Spud talking about life in the top end with a few curlies thrown in. You will have to be here for that one.

Saturday night in the treetops restaurant for the big conference dinner and entertainment by john VK8JM, he is good too.

Sunday we want to take you for a little trip in a comfortable coach down through beautiful Batchelor to Litchfield National Park for the day. We will take a look at what the Top End has to offer, beautiful swimming holes, magnetic anthills, bushwalks and a great barbecue lunch cooked by the team from The DARC side.

Sunday night at Mindil markets will round of a fantastic weekend for everyone, you pick your cuisine from one or more of the many different food stalls and then sit at the tables and chairs or on the beach and watch the sunset over the harbour and take a look around the many craft stalls at the markets. A great way to end the weekend.

Register now on the wia website at www.wia.org.au , look at the airlines website's and choose a flight and book it now they are filling fast. We have secured a great deal on accommodation at Mirrambeena, the conference venue as well. All the details are on the website. So do it now, register and book and come and see Darwin in the dry. Its not that far away from the southern parts and just a nice temperature too.

I urge you to please go to the WIA website now and register for this fantastic weekend. Accommodation can be booked at the special rates negotiated by the WIA by calling the Travelodge Mirambeena on 08 8946 0111 and speaking to Aleishia Good or Belinda Anthony, quoting the reference "WIA Conference"

This is spud vk8zwm on behalf of the WIA and DARC saying see you here in beautiful Darwin in May.

FROM THE WIA BOARDROOM AT ANDERSSON HOUSE.

This is Ewan VK4ERM, with greetings from the WIA to radio amateurs and your listening visitors, with some thoughts for your consideration.

If you are Radio Amateur listening to this broadcast on Sunday morning you may be involved in the activities of WIA National Field Day either at a community field station or giving direct support to the activity by communicating with field stations from your home or mobile station. In doing so we are demonstrating the educational, recreational and social values of Amateur Radio activities to individuals and the wider community.

If you are a visitor to a field station then this is your chance to ask as many questions as you want to and I encourage you to do so.

This is a great opportunity to demonstrate how Amateur Radio has not only stayed with advances in communications technology but, in many cases, leads the way in developing new and efficient techniques. We can demonstrate the opportunities that exist for those leaning toward an interest or career in communications and electronics.

Our hobby, that we are demonstrating to-day, has a rich and unique heritage with continuing rapid evolution, often unknown to our visitors to-day, who we can be assured, will leave with a greater understanding of Amateur Radio thanks to your efforts.

But, what now? Now the seeds of interest have planted and well received in the minds of your visitors, visitors who will range from the mildly curious to the keenly interested, what are your club and individual plans for germinating those seeds?

Too often we conclude the day, pat ourselves on the back for a job well done, and forget the sown seeds need watering and nurture before breaking through the earth. I have been guilty of this and I suspect many others feel the same way of opportunity lost by not planning and sticking to a plan and schedule of friendly follow-up. I am sure those of you who are visitors to Amateur Radio for the first time would be very disappointed and disillusioned in our hobby of Amateur Radio were your interest to be ignored or forgotten in the future post to-day's activities.

If we encourage anyone to further their interest and study in Amateur Radio at the onset through activities such as to-day, hopefully leading to their enthusiastic achievement of a licence, isn't it our duty or obligation as a radio amateur to be with them on the path? In doing so isn't your club and you becoming closer and better understood and accepted by your community at all levels? There are many examples where this has happened successfully but equally there are as many or more where the meshing has not been undertaken to the best interests and advantages for club and community.

As Radio Amateurs and visitors, enjoy your participation in the WIA National Field Day as you 'Tune-In To The World' and please take every opportunity to bring your club closer to your community and your community closer to your club.

This is Ewan VK4ERM for the WIA Board.

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

Know your holiday address and beach access code

The Queensland Ambulance Service is urging holiday-makers to know their holiday address and take the time to familiarise themselves in new surroundings.

QAS Assistant Commissioner for Brisbane Region Leo McNamara said it was important for people to know their exact holiday address and beach access code in case of an emergency.

Knowing your exact holiday address can cut minutes off emergency response times, which can mean the difference between life and death. Many apartments and units have similar names that is why it's important to have the address information on hand, ready to relay quickly and accurately."

In an emergency on a beach, it's just as important for people to be able to correctly relay location information without delay.

VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news

Final reminder for the Urunga Radio Convention over Easter 23 24 April in the Senior Citizens Hall Bowra St Urunga NSW.

There is a comfortable lounge room with all amenities attached.
Free tea and coffee available all day to registered visitors.

Bring your family
You are invited to bring trade displays and goods for sale
at the trading tables, no commission if registered.

There are competitions, quizzes and lucky door prizes.
Everyone can take part, Technical quiz may require amateur skills.

The Urunga Radio Convention is one of the leaders in the art of "Fox-hunting".
If you want to challenge our new foxes, then Easter is the time to do it.

The Convention is also a great social event where you can meet fellow amateurs and friends and if you are looking for equipment or parts there is a good chance you can find it at the trading tables.

Urunga is part of the Coffs Coast Holiday area.

More details from Urunga Convention Committee.
Len Christensen, VK2BLZ, 0266551959
Ken Golden VK2DGT, email: krgolden46@hotmail.com ph: 0266523177
http://www4.tpgi.com.au/goldy2/

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VKR Roundup http://www.police.qld.gov.au/News+and+Alerts/Media+Releases/

DARLING DOWNS RADIO CLUB
wibvk4@bigpond.com

Darling Downs Radio Club will be running a field day at the Highfields Pioneer Village as part of their 2011 Easter Vintage Festival 23rd-25th April.

Operating on HF and VHF, UHF with accessible repeaters.
Phone and CW

More details see Jeffrey Ryan VK4VJR
vkjeff@hotmail.com

GLADSTONE AR CLUB "Radio_Active".
IRLP Node 6246
President John Hinde VK4JWH
gladstone_ar_club@yahoo.com.au

Listening to us on 146.9FM Gladstone?

Well don't forget after the news today head on out to the newly developed Gladstone Airport. Not only planes on display but free shuttle busses will take you on tours of the entire runway system and check out the continuing widening of the runway project.

It happens from 11.30am to 1pm.

GOLD COAST

Gold Coast Amateur Radio Society, The Clubhouse is open every Saturday from 1pm for Members and guests and would love to see you there.

On Saturday 30th from 10am there will be a Boot Sale and BBQ.
Everyone is welcome to come along and maybe get rid of some unwanted equipment or on the other hand pick up something you have wanted for a while.

Remember Saturday 30th April from 10am Gcars Club-rooms 85 Harper Street Nerang.

CAIRNS

Goldborough Valley first in Far North to switch to digital TV

Digital-only television will be switched on on May 12.

The upgrade to the local transmitter will give better coverage and more stations.

To install the new equipment the analogue TV signal in the area would be switched off and then only digital services would be available.

The switch would be on May 12 making this the Far North's digital guinea pig.

Goldbourough Valley, via Gordonvale, is hidden between high mountains south of Cairns. Cairns herself along with the rest of the Far North will change over to digital at year's end.

Redcliffe and District Radio Club
www.redclifferadioclub.org.au/

I'm Ray, VK4CF with news from Redcliffe & Districts Radio club.

There has been a late change to next week's technical talk at the club.

As Kev, VK4UH, is unavailable, next week's tech talk on Antenna stubbs. The club used these on the last John Moyle field day with great success and the interaction usually found with the antennas being closely spaced was mostly eliminated. So come along next Monday night & hear how the stubbs are made and tested and what are some of the pitfalls.

This Sunday is the National field day event. The club is located inside the shopping centre located at Kippa Ring, Redcliffe, just outside KMART. Club members have a static display set up inside the shopping centre and club members are working on a link to have at least 2 metre repeater access during this morning.

Peter VK4EA provided a report of the John Moyle Field day, where the club, despite the rain made some 1700 contacts made. Whilst the weather stopped some club members from attending, those who did had a great time. Peter also reported that the Stubbs worked well and briefly outlined some of the lessons that will be incorporated into the club's planning for next year.

John VK4WX reported that a great friend of the club, Rob, VK2ZEB 's health has taken a turn for the worse with him going into respite care in Lismore Hospital. All club members wish Rob and his wife Elizabeth our best wishes for a rapid improvement in his health.

Scott, VK4FLAE, advised Watts Bridge airfield will be holding a breakfast fly-in, on 21st May from 9am - 4pm. Everyone is welcome. Club will also hold a membership drive at the fly-in and members should let Scott know asap for food catering. The Festival of Flight has been moved to Caboolture air field, with a date yet to be confirmed.

John, VK4YJV, has provided a list of topics for the first Monday night of the month mini-training night. The first of the mini training sessions will be on How to tie knots & their uses. Learn the differences between a bowline and a reef knot and how to tie a timber hitch at the club on the first Monday night of the month.

Roger, VK4ZLQ, reported that 4 new foundation licences were passed last Sunday. A big welcome to the new callsigns, from all club members.

Ken, VK4FKEN and Wendy, VK4FWEN passed on their thanks for all the club members that sent messages of sympathy on the passing of Club member Geary Fawke, Wendy's dad, who passed away peacefully after a long illness with cancer.

So now it's 73 from Ray, VK4CF and you are listening to QNEWS.

Welcome to QNews from VK4WIA. I'm Geoff Emery and I've been thinking.

Where I live is the proverbial fly speck on the map. It is a small region between two regional cities. Of course I have access to the highway and the railway does pass in hearing distance. Because the copper telephone lines have been neglected for so long, I have access to satellite internet service. The 3G networks all provide good signal strength, now.

Recently I have been called to visit the Big Smoke, Brisbane, a little more than I would like. However, in planning appointments it is very hard to convince people that we have a journey of 50Km to get to public transport and then there are only 2 rail services per day in each direction. Aerodromes are 100 to 150Kms away.

Likewise, the use of the internet for streaming audio and video has attracted more and more broadcasters. The technology is great but effective access is less so, out in the boonies. What I pay for satellite access is about 8 times as expensive as advertised ADSL "unlimited" plans. Wireless via 3G is more expensive still.

What I am driving at is that many of our country colleagues face a more difficult time, certainly more inconvenient and expensive, accessing services which city people take for granted. When we know that many country amateurs volunteer their time and facilities in supporting the hobby, the rest of us owe them a big "thank you".

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think.....how about you?

VK5

D-STAR IN THE BAROSSA VALLEY THIS EASTER

For anyone interested in D-Star and are travelling to the Barossa Valley this Easter, Nik VK3BA advises that he will set up a D-Star Simplex HotSpot in Tanunda.

The operating frequency will be 438.925MHz in the 70cm band and anyone with a D-Star capable radio are most welcome to use it. Nik hopes that the D-Star HotSpot will be operational from late afternoon of Thursday the 21st of April through to early morning of Wednesday the 27th of April.

Please contact Nik via his email address of vk3ba@wia.org.au if you require any further details.

VK6

The WA Government has released a $39.2 million tender looking for a vendor to improve mobile coverage in regional Western Australia.

Studies and community consultation undertaken by the State Government indicated a low level of mobile coverage and broadband internet availability in many regional areas. The government wants a vendor to improve this situation by installing more towers, which are to be integrated with existing mobile communications network infrastructure.

"The shortcomings of mobile telephone coverage on the state's major regional highways need to be improved not only for mobile telephone but also for radio communications coverage, which is essential for our police and emergency services, business and recreational purposes," Regional Development and Lands Minister Brendon Grylls said in a statement earlier this week.

Applicants will be required to outline how they will deliver mobile voice communications to the greatest possible number of coverage locations, said

Grylls. They need to propose their solutions by 5 May.

(Science)

VK7
local area news :- http://reast.asn.au/news.php
vk7 local news, email vk7regionalnews-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

The May meeting of the CCARC has been proposed to be held at the Wynyard Aero Club Rooms and will be an early morning start with a BBQ lunch afterwards.

There will also be a tour of the hangars, and weather permitting, joy flights organised. This has not yet been confirmed as to time and date, and more details will be announced closer to the event.

Regards from
(David, VK7DC, Secretary, CCARC)

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART and the WW sources of the WIA.

SILENT KEY

Paul Baran, W3KAS

An engineer who helped create the technical underpinnings for the ARPANET, the government-sponsored precursor to today's Internet died March 27 at his home in California.

He was 84.

Paul Baran was one of the three inventors of packet-switched networks.

In the early 1960s, Paul was working on a "survivable" communications system when he thought up one of its core concepts: Breaking up a single message into smaller pieces, having them travel different, unpredictable paths to their destination and only then putting them back together.

It's called packet switching and it's how everything still gets to your e-mail inbox.

6 Metres Due says F1due

F1DUE, the president of the French amateur radio union REF, writes about his efforts to open the 6m band for French radio amateurs.

Already last year the REF asked the French frequency regulation authority (ARCEP) to deal with the case of the 6m band which was suspended 2 years ago.

The ARCEP informed the REF that they consider to assign the frequency range 50-52 MHz for amateur radio. Thus ARCEP placed this proposal on the agenda of the Frequency Planning Commission (CPF) which was held in March.

Nobody yet knows when the change of the bandplan is finalized and comes into effect.

Sotheby's have auctioned off the Vostok 3KA-2, a Soviet Union-era space capsule which carried a dog and mannequin and orbited the Earth for 18 days before USSR cosmonaut Yuri Gagarin became the first man to enter space.

This was the only Vostok capsule outside Russia.

There are marks on the capsule where it burned as it re-entered the atmosphere, and a spot where engineers cut into the heat shield to examine how well it withstood the flaming re-entry.

Russian's described the ship's condition after its re-entry as a "wounded animal, panting its last breath."

"It was so hot still from burning through the atmosphere it was melting the snow around it."

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

SOLAR RADIO STORM COULD MEAN IMPROVED PROPAGATION

Some good news for hams awaiting the return of decent propagation.

Spaceweather have reported that a large number of emerging sunspots has kicked off what it termed as days-long radio storm on the sun. According to the on-line newsletter, VHF receivers on Earth were picking up loud bursts that sound like waves crashing on a beach. Spaceweather says that this ongoing event continues a recent trend of increasing activity as Solar Cycle 24 heats up.

Then over the weekend of April 2nd and 3rd a solar wind stream hit Earth's magnetic field and sent a wave of deep sky auroras over northern tier of the United States. According to Spaceweather dot com, the Northern Lights were pale-white to the naked eye, but digital cameras revealed spectacular colours and luminous shapes above Wisconsin, Michigan, Minnesota, and elsewhere.

Meantime, on the ground some hams on 6 meters and above heard or made contact with distant stations not usually heard on these bands. You can easily tell a contact made via aurora propagation by its raspy C-W note or gargled voice sound.

For images and audio go to www.spaceweather.com

VAN NUYS CA STORE WARNED TO TURN OFF CELLPHONE JAMMER

The FCC has issued a Notice of Unauthorized Operation and Interference to EDN Aviation of Van Nuys, California. This, for allegedly operating a cell phone jamming device on its premises.

According to the FCC, back on January 10th agents from the Enforcement Bureau's Los Angeles Office visited the business location. At that time they detected radio signals in the 1.8 to 2.0 GHz range emanating from a radio transmitter. The Los Angeles agents determined that the business was operating a radio transmitting device designed to jam or intentionally interfere with licensed radio communications in the cellular and personal communications service.

According to the FCC, its agents did attempt to inspect the device. Subsequent to that attempted inspection, operation of the device ceased.

Now in its March 18th Notice, the FCC tells EDN Aviation that unauthorized operation of the transmitting device must not resume. It also warns EDN that the operation of the device may constitute a violation of Sections 333,302(b), and 301 of the Communications Act. Such operation may subject the company to substantial monetary forfeitures, seizure of the offending radio equipment, and criminal sanctions.

EDN was given the customary 10 days to respond to the FCC with any information that it believed relevant to the warning notice. That time period has now passed. No word yet from the FCC if EDN responded or what the company may have said.

TRACER SOFTWARE LEADS TO RECOVERY OF STOLEN COMPUTERS

Los Angeles, California Police say that they have tracked down three people whom they allege to have stolen nine computers from the Open Charter Magnet School in the Westchester area. This thanks to a new form of security software installed on the machines.

According to police, the computers were stolen between March 9 and 10 at the campus on 77th Street in the city of Westchester. The suspects were unaware that the computers were equipped with the security software. As soon as one of the machines was turned on and connected to the Internet, it monitored and recorded the location via GPS. It also took photographs of the user and then sent this information off to authorities.

Detectives from the Los Angeles Police Department tracked down one of the suspects on March 12th. A further investigation led them to two others. So far, four of the stolen computers have been recovered.

NASA ASKS YOU TO VOTE ON ASTRONAUT WAKE-UP SONG

NASA is offering the public a chance to vote for your favourite tunes to be played as the wake up song during the STS-134 mission, which is currently scheduled to launch on April 19th. Voting will be open until mission launch day. You can listen to the songs nominated and cast your vote at tinyurl.com/4peh55m

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WEIRD AND WONDERFUL

EGGING ON OUR ABC

GEEZ, we knew budgets at the ABC were tight, but this tight?

ABC radio in Wodonga according to weeklytimesnow.com.au is appealing to listeners for egg cartons to sound-proof their new studio.

Apparently the money did not stretch to insulation and attempts to block out noise with mattresses and curtains have been unsuccessful.

ABC listeners have responded in true country style and have been dropping off their used egg cartons.

What's next? Old ixl jam tins and string for extra phones?

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2011

Apr 23 ZL/VK 2011 VK/ZL RTTY SPRINT 80 metres

Apr 30 WW Marconi Day 2011

Apr 30 ZL/VK 2011 VK/ZL RTTY SPRINT 40 metres

This is Denis Johnstone VK4AE, Contest Manager for the John Moyle Memorial Field Day.

The WIA would like to thank those stations who have already gone to the effort of preparing and submitting a valid entry for this year's contest.

Logs are still slowly being received for the contest and so far only a little over 60% of the logs are from Portable Stations the rest being from Home Stations.

The contest log you submit for your station is of course important for you, as based on this information is how we calculate the relative score and placings in each category. However, the other equally important purpose of your log is to permit verification of the contacts of other stations and hence their scores as well.

So having gone to the considerable effort involved to take part in the contest, leaving aside the actual fun and enjoyment aspect, it would be such a shame not to complete the task and submit a valid log entry.

Don't forget that entries by mail, (Snail mail that is) have to be date stamped not later than 22nd April, and submissions by electronic mail close at midnight 22nd April 2011.

So go ahead, gather up all of the required information that you need, collate the log and submit it NOW!

You can check if your log is already in the system, by checking the John Moyle page in the Contest Section of the WIA website. Results will be published there as soon as they are completed and will be published in AR Magazine for the following month.

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON NEWS

ISWL is 65

The International Short Wave League is celebrating its 65th anniversary.

GB65ISWL will be on the air over this weekend 16th and 17th April.

Activity starts around 18.00 hours on Friday, April 15th. Modes will be SSB and the PSK modes. Main operator will be Herbie, G6XOU

(rsgb)

Special temporary call signs for Royal Wedding

RSGB has agreed with Ofcom arrangements for all UK Radio Amateurs to opt to use special callsigns for a period of eleven days beginning on the date of the marriage of H.R.H. Prince William and Kate Middleton, 29th April 2011.

Use of the special prefix, which is 'GR', is conditional on allocation of a Notice of Variation (NoV) which can be quickly obtained via a simple process on the Society's website, where full details of the arrangements can also be found.

www.rsgb.org.uk/weddingcall

Beacon news.

A full listing of all Asian, Pacific and Central/South American beacons can be found by going to Google and typing in "G3USF" and follow the links to 50MHz beacons. The list is updated weekly.

In addition to the usual Asian 49 and 48MHz TV indicators, vk2wi news say another interesting one to look for is in Japan on 43.649MHz USB, a 24 hour data tracking signal running 100 watts north east of Tokyo, this has been heard and logged by Noel VK2FUL in Sydney who remarked that the signal closely resembles an over-the horizon radar pulse transmission. Some Chinese fishing boat FAX and data activity can also be heard on 33.250, 33.375 and 33.425MHz and will indicate to the observer a rising MUF.

INTRUDER WATCH - ENFORCEMENT ZONE

Region III IARUMS Coordinator Peter Young VK3MV

VK IARUMS reflector email to subscribe intruders@wia.org.au

INTRUDER NETS
Friday 0730 UTC 7.065.5 with VK4CEU David.

Amateur exclusive frequencies where any non-amateur signal is definitely an intruder.

Amateur HF Spectrum world wide
7.050 to 7.100
14.000 to 14.250
14.250 to 14.350 No broadcasters
21.000 to 21.450
24.890 to 24.990
28.000 to 29.700

ZK5A

Phillip ZL2TZE is still after as much information as possible from any person having a contact with Bill ZK5A

Please report to John ZL1GWE

Bill claims to be on Atafu Is (Tokelau), using 70W, GP.

Any reports appreciated.
John ZL1GWE ms@nzart.org.nz

(73 Phillip ZL2TZE)

MEDIA WATCH
www.cq-amateur-radio.com/WorldRadio.html
VK Club Bulletins http://groups.yahoo.com/group/aarnie/

BBC TO CLOSES ORDFORDNESS TRANSMITTER SITE

Another famed radio transmitting site has been decommissioned.

This one is owned by the British Broadcasting Company and is not one very many on this side of the world know about.

Unless you are a WIA listener/reader living in Europe or are a truly devoted low frequency DX'er, you likely have never heard of the BBC's transmitter site at Ordfordness.

It's an operation that sat on 648 KHz with a five tower array beamed to Europe. And that's what makes the signal from Ordfordness such a great catch for medium wave D-X listeners.

But all that ended March 27th. That's when the BBC switched off this transmitter site for good.

But its demise will not go undocumented.

As a historical note, Jonathan Marks, G-8-W-G-N, has released a short documentary that traces the history of the Ordfordness transmitter site from its inception. Marks, who was the former producer and host of the famed Radio Netherlands Media Network program is joined by Ordfordness radio engineer Andy Matherson who explains the way in which the site operated.

It's a great tour of a historic moment in European medium wave broadcast radio. You can experience it for yourself on line at vimeo.com/20996209

Another sad moment in broadcast history, but one that Jonathan Marks, G8WGN, has taken the time to preserve.

ATV Video Streaming

All ATV transmissions in Ulverstone are now simultaneously available to any viewer world wide via the VK7AX ATV Video Stream.

If you would like to check it out, point your favourite internet browser at the link that can be found on the email and internet editions of this WIA News broadcast.

http://vk7ax.camstreams.com

The WIA News Broadcasts, and Amateur Radio Related Broadcasts are broadcast via ATV at 8.00 PM daily with a repeat at 11.00 hours the following day.

(Tony VK7AX, President - North West Tas. ATV Group)

SOCIAL SCENE

2011

Apr 18 WW "Amateur Radio: The first technology-based social network"
World Amateur Radio Day, April 18 and WIA Field Day 17TH.

Apr 23-24 VK2 Urunga Radio Convention Senior Citz Hall Bowra street

Apr 23-35 VK4 Darling Downs Club field day at Highfields Pioneer Village
vkjeff@hotmail.com

Apr 30 VK4 Gold Coast bbq and boot sale 10am at club house

Apr30-May1 VK4 Clairview Gathering contact Clive VK4ACC of RADAR Club
04 2963 2815.

May 7 VK4 Brisbane Amateur Radio Club's BARCfest, Mt. Gravatt Show
grounds, 1600 Logan Road, Upper Mt. Gravatt 9:30AM
email vk4so@wia.org.au

May 27-29 WIA AGM Weekend in Darwin
secretary@wia.org.au

Jun 10 - 12 VK4 Far North and North Queensland Amateur Radio Gathering at
King Reef Resort Kurrimine Beach.

Jun 11 - 12 VK2 Oxley Region Amateur Radio Club annual Field Day

Jul 16 VK3 Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club Hamfest
Cranbourne Community Hall 10am (secretary@ggrec.org.au)

Jul 16 VK4 Maryborough Electronics and Radio Group "Wide Bay Hamfest"
West Scout Hall, Ariadne St, Maryborough 8:30am.
secretary@merg.org.au

Jul 31 VK2/3 Riverina Field Day 10am at Lavington Scout Group Hall.

Aug 7 VK2 Lismore region - SARCFEST

Sep 11 VK3 SADARC Comms Day at St Augustine's Hall Shepparton 10am.

Sep 16-18 VK4 NQ Amateur Radio Convention Date Set Townsville

Sep 23-28 R3 Region 3 ARDF Championship Bendigo VK3
http://r3.ardf.org.au/

Sep 30-Oct 2 VK4 Central Highlands Amateur Radio Club AGM at Camp Fairbairn
CONTACT Secretary Gordon, (vk4kal@wia.org.au)

Nov 20 vk5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society Hamfest
Goodwood Community Centre, Rosa St Goodwood at 0930.
Visit www.ahars.com.au for contact details

2012

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Vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
http://lists.wia.org.au/mailman/listinfo/vk1wia-news

391. Leo Meyerson, W0GFQ, Silent Key

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-14 18:54:32 UTC
From: ARRL Members Only Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20110414183208.C13E22061A@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 4681
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,oma.general,nebr.misc,rec.radio.info

This is, as yet, unconfirmed.

Bob Roske, N0UF, President of the QCWA, reports that Leo Meyerson, W0GFQ, became a silent key last night at 9:50 pm in the Eisenhower Hospital in Rancho Mirage, CA.

Leo is well known as the founder of World Radio Laboratories. He has made many, many contributions to amateur radio as well as radio communications in general.

73, Art K0AIZ

ARRL Nebraska Section
Section Manager: Arthur I Zygielbaum, K0AIZ
k0aiz@arrl.org
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392. The ARRL Letter for April 14, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-14 19:57:16 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20110414192550.62EFE24DB1@bmail.arrl.org>
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Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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==> + PUBLIC SERVICE: HAMS PROVIDE COMMUNICATIONS SUPPORT DURING WEST
TEXAS WILDFIRES

On April 9 at 4:15 PM (CDT), ARRL West Texas District 5 Emergency
Coordinator Bob Ward, WA5ROE, received a call from Jeff Davis County
(Texas) Fire Marshal Stewart Billingsley, N5HXZ. Billingsley informed
Ward that a fire had begun in the West Texas town of Marfa and was
rapidly approaching Fort Davis, 22 miles to the northeast.

"Stewart asked me to call the National Weather Service to get it on the
alert system, as well as the AM and FM radio stations in Alpine," Ward
told the ARRL. "He wanted it broadcast over the radio stations that he
needed the Mano Prieto and Fort Davis Estates sub-divisions evacuated.
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People in the area know that when an emergency happens, they need to tune into these stations for the latest information. This was the Rock House Fire. At the same time, another fire, the Roper Fire, had started on the eastern edge of Alpine." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/hams-provide-communications-support-during-west-texas-wildfires>.

==> + ON THE AIR: WORLD AMATEUR RADIO DAY SET FOR MONDAY, APRIL 18

The International Amateur Radio Union and its more than 160 Member-Societies that represent countries around the world will celebrate World Amateur Radio Day on April 18. The theme for this year's celebration is Amateur Radio: The First Technology-Based Social Network. Long before the Internet and smart phones, Amateur Radio operators have been talking, texting and sharing for decades. But unlike those commercial services, Amateur Radio continues to attract people worldwide by providing international communications for free. And because it does not need pre-established supporting infrastructure, these radio-savvy "amateurs" can reach out to friends in every corner of the world, as well as into space. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/world-amateur-radio-day-set-for-monday-april-18>.

==> + ON THE AIR: OFCOM TO ISSUE SPECIAL TEMPORARY CALL SIGNS FOR ROYAL WEDDING

If you are a prefix hunter -- or you just get caught up in the pageantry that a Royal Wedding <http://www.officialroyalwedding2011.org/> can bring -- then take note: Ofcom, at the request of the Radio Society of Great Britain (RSGB <http://www.rsgb.org/>), will issue special temporary call signs that British amateurs may use from April 29 through May 9, 2011, commemorating the marriage of HRH Prince William of Wales and Miss Catherine Middleton. Amateurs in the United Kingdom who choose to apply for these special call signs will be using GR, MR and 2R prefixes during this time to commemorate the wedding.

==> + FROM THE HEARTS: PROVIDING A WAY FOR OTHERS TO COMMUNICATE WITH THE ISS

In America and around the world, students use Amateur Radio to talk to astronauts on the International Space Station, orbiting high above the Earth -- and it's the students at an all-girls school in Honolulu, Hawaii who help make the connection. Sacred Hearts Academy is a telebridge station for the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station program (ARISS). ARISS is a NASA-sponsored education activity where astronauts and cosmonauts use Amateur Radio equipment aboard the ISS to talk with students around the world. Telebridge stations, like the one at Sacred Hearts, connect schools, museums and others without their own Amateur Radio equipment to astronauts in space. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/from-the-hearts-providing-a-way-for-others-to-communicate-with-the-iss>.

==> + ARRL WEST GULF DIVISION TO HOST WEBINAR ON ANTENNA ZONING

Periodically, ARRL Divisions will host a "webinar" -- an interactive Web-based seminar, designed to facilitate communication between a small number of presenters and a large remote audience using the Internet -- for interested amateurs. On Wednesday, April 27 at 9 PM (EDT), ARRL West Gulf Division Director David Woolweaver, K5RAV -- along with ARRL General Counsel Chris Imlay, W3KD, and noted antenna zoning lawyer Fred Hopengarten, K1VR -- will present Antenna Ordinances, You and the ARRL. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-west-gulf-division-to-host-webinar-on-antenna-zoning>.

==> ARRL TO CHANGE INSURANCE COMPANY FOR EQUIPMENT PROTECTION, CLUB LIABILITY SERVICES

On May 1, 2011, the ARRL will begin a new partnership to provide its ARRL-sponsored Equipment Insurance and Club Liability Insurance plans. The League has signed an agreement with Hays Affinity Group to serve as the program administrator to provide equipment insurance to its members who choose to elect coverage. In addition, Hays will also provide club liability insurance to ARRL Affiliated Clubs for those clubs that wish to take advantage of that program. Hays will be replacing Marsh Affinity Group Services as the program's administrator and will be introducing new policies for both plans, underwritten by the Hanover Insurance Company. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-to-change-providers-for-equipment-protection-club-liability-insurance-plans>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "She has burst like the music of angels, the light of the Sun <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zM1sVapgUCs>" Cook, K7RA, reports: On Wednesday, April 13, we saw a new high in the daily sunspot numbers for Solar Cycle 24 when it hit 153. Seven new sunspot groups emerged over the past week, and sunspot activity (in terms of daily sunspot numbers) hasn't been this high since the declining side of Solar Cycle 23 in mid-2005. The average daily sunspot numbers rose 21.6 points this week to 89.9. The predicted solar flux values from NOAA/USAF for the near term are 120 on April 14-16, 125 on April 17-20, 120 on April 21 and 115 on April 22-23. The planetary A index for the same period is predicted to be 5 on April 14-17, 7 and 10 on April 18-19 and 5 on April 20-23. Geophysical Institute Prague predicts quiet geomagnetic conditions April 15-17, quiet to unsettled April 18, active conditions April 19 and unsettled conditions April 20-21. Considering that the predicted solar flux for today of 125 is higher than yesterday's reported value of 117.8, it is possible that the sunspot number will also be higher, although these numbers don't always move in tandem. Look for more information on the ARRL website on Friday, April 8. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad

Cookism" is brought to you by In My Life/Heart Full of Love
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zM1sVapgUCs> from the musical Les
Mis&#65533;rables
<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Les_Mis%C3%A9rables_%28musical%29>.

==> AMATEUR RADIO FUN: NEW QUICKSTATS POLL NOW AVAILABLE ON ARRL
WEBSITE

Four new poll questions have just been published on the QuickStats page
<http://www.arrl.org/quickstats> on the ARRL website. Let your voice be
heard!

Questions in this month's QuickStats poll:

- Do you operate HF portable while camping or hiking?
- Have you earned an ARRL Worked All States award?
- How old is your oldest transceiver?
- Do you monitor W1AW transmissions?

Visit the QuickStats page <http://www.arrl.org/quickstats> and be sure
to bookmark it in your browser. Results from this QuickStats poll will
be published in the July 2011 issue of QST on the QuickStats page,
located in the rear advertising section of the magazine. Along with
monthly poll results, QST QuickStats offers colorful charts and graphs
that highlight interesting Amateur Radio statistics.

==> ARRL SEEKS BOOK EDITOR

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editor, or corporate technical writer. For more information, including
a complete job description and application details, please see the
Employment Opportunities page
<http://www.arrl.org/employment-opportunities> on the ARRL website.

==> + SILENT KEY: LEGENDARY RECORDING ENGINEER ROGER NICHOLS, KE4BDA
(SK)

Roger Nichols, KE4BDA, of Jupiter, Florida, passed away on April 9
due to complications from pancreatic cancer. He was 66. Nichols was
best known for his work with Steely Dan, whose albums were noted for
their pristine sonic clarity. He collected three Grammy Awards --
including one for Album of the Year -- for his work on the duo's 2000
album Two Against Nature. He also received the Grammy for Best
Engineered Recording for Steely Dan's albums Aja in 1977, Gaucho in

1981 and their film theme FM (No Static at All) in 1978. Nichols collected another Grammy for his board work on John Denver's All Aboard!, named Best Children's Album for 1997. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/legendary-recording-engineer-roger-nichols-ke4bda-sk>.

==> THIS WEEK ON THE RADIO

This week:

- April 15 -- NCCC Sprint
- April 15-16 -- Holyland DX Contest
- April 16 -- Feld Hell Sprint; TARA Skirmish Digital Prefix Contest; ES Open HF Championship; EU Spring Sprint (SSB)
- April 16-17 -- Michigan QSO Party; Ontario QSO Party; YU DX Contest; CQ Manchester Mineira DX Contest; EA-QRP CW Contest
- April 16-24 -- ARLHS Annual Spring Lites QSO Party
- April 17 -- ARRL Rookie Roundup (SSB) <http://www.arrl.org/rookie-roundup>
- April 18 -- Run for the Bacon QRP Contest
- April 19 -- 222 MHz Spring Sprint (local time)

Next week:

- April 22 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder 0230Z-0300Z, Apr 22
- April 23-24 -- South Dakota QSO Party; 10-10 International Spring Contest (Digital); SP DX RTTY Contest; Helvetia Contest
- April 25 -- Low Power Spring Sprint
- April 27 -- SKCC Sprint; 432 MHz Spring Sprint (local time)
- April 27-28 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more info. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- April 22-24 -- ARRL Idaho State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/idaho-state-convention-1>, Boise, Idaho
- April 23 -- ARRL Louisiana State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/louisiana-state-convention-twin-city-ham-radio-fest>, Monroe, Louisiana; ARRL North Carolina State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/north-carolina-state-convention-raleigh-hamfest>, Raleigh, North Carolina
- May 7 -- ARRL South Carolina State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/south-carolina-state-convention-upstate-hamfest>,

Spartanburg, South Carolina
- June 3-5 -- ARRL Northwestern Division Convention (SeaPac)
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/northwestern-division-convention-seapac-1>,
Seaside, Oregon; ARRL Wyoming State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/wyoming-state-convention>, Cheyenne,
Wyoming
- June 4 -- ARRL Atlantic Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/atlantic-division-convention-rochester-hamfest-
1>,
Rochester, New York; ARRL East Bay Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/east-bay-section-convention>, Berkeley,
California; ARRL Georgia State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/georgia-state-convention-atlanta-hamfest>,
Marietta, Georgia
- June 10-11 -- ARRL National Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arrl-national-convention-ham-com-2011>,
Plano, Texas
- June 11 -- ARRL Tennessee State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/tennessee-state-convention-1>, Knoxville,
Tennessee

To find a convention or hamfest near you, click here
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393. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1757 - April 15 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-15 09:00:24 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20110415090007.E0D7E33C27@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4683
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1757 - April 15 2011

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1757 with a release date of
Friday, April 15, 2011 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. A new record for optical communications by
ham radio is set in the UK, a special callsign prefix to celebrate the
upcoming royal wedding, 6 meters and digital modes may soon return in
France and World Amateur Radio Day is here this week. Find out the
details are on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1757 coming
your way right now.

(Billboard Cart Here)

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RADIO RECORDS: UK HAMS SET NEW OPTICAL COMMUNICATIONS RECORD

A new record has been set for optical communications by a group of
British hams. Jeremy Boot, G4NJH, reports from Nottingham in the U-K:

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On 3rd April a new distance record set for optical communication by a
group of radio amateurs from North-East England.

The distance worked was just a few meters short of 90km. Signals were
exchanged on FM and SSB at remarkable strengths.

The contact was made from Race Head in County Durham, which is locator
IO94VS to Danby Moor near Whitby, which is locator IO84NK.

The team at Race Head included two stations, Stuart, G8CYW running the
transverter and LED transceiver of his design featured in recent
articles in RadCom, and Brian, G8KPD also running his version of the
designs, plus separate receive and transmit heads. The station on
Danby Moor was operated by Rob, M0DTS using his version of the
transverter featured in RadCom.

I'm Jeremy Boot G4NJH.

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Truly a ham radio record that you had to have been there to see.
(GB2RS)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: HAM RADIO TO CELEBRATE ROYAL WEDDING

Amateur Radio in the UK will be a part of the upcoming royal wedding. This with word that the Radio Society of Great Britain has made an agreement with UK telecommunications regulator Ofcom for all UK Radio Amateurs to use special callsigns for a period of eleven days beginning on the date of the marriage of Prince William and Catherine Middleton on April 29th.

Use of the special GR prefix will require UK hams to obtainer a waiver called a Notice of Variation from Ofcom. This can be quickly obtained via a simple process on the RSGB's website, where full details of the arrangements can also be found.

UK amateurs wishing to use the special prefix should visit www.rsgb.org.uk/weddingcall and follow the instructions found there. The last date and time for application is 6.00 pm on April 25th. All Notice of Variation will be provided by close of business on April 28th. No postal applications will be accepted and all of the special permits will be sent by e-mail. (RSGB)

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RADIO POLITICS: AMSAT FRANCE LEADERSHIP VOTES TO DISSOLVE ORGANIZATION

AMSAT France appears to have disbanded. According to a notice published in Frances URC News on Monday April 11th, 21 leaders present at an Extraordinary General Assembly of AMSAT France voted the weekend of April 9th to dissolve the organization.

The actual vote is reported as 11 votes in favor of going out of business and 10 in favor of continuing. The short news release gave no reason for the decision by AMSAT France to dissolve and go away. The original press release, in French is on line at tinyurl.com/3spvx6l. (URC News, F1MOJ)

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RESTRUCTURING: FRENCH NATIONAL SOCIETY SEEKS 6 METER ALLOCATION

Still in France, F1DUE, who is the president of the French amateur radio national amateur society, the REF, reports that his efforts to open the 6 meter band for his nations ham operators is ongoing.

As previously reported, last year the REF asked the French frequency regulation authority ARCEP to once again reopen the 50 MHz allocation that was suspended two years ago. Earlier this year the ARCEP informed the REF that it would consider an allocation of 50.0 to 52.0 MHz for use by French radio amateurs.

F1DUE says that the ARCEP placed this proposal on the agenda of the Frequency Planning Commission which was held in March. However, as of airtime, its still unknown as to when the change of the bandplan is finalized and will come into effect. (Southgate)

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RESTRUCTURING: WORK CONTINUING ON LEGALIZING DIGITAL MODES IN FRANCE

Meantime, the group Digital Radioamateur France says that a March 11th meeting between five French ham radio groups and telecommunications regulator ARCEP. This, regarding the legalization of several new digital could lead to changes to permit their use.

F1SHS is the president of Digital Radioamateur France. In a press release he says that this meeting was a first step in building a new relationship between ham radio and the French telecommunications regulator regarding digital ham radio operations. He says that organizing the get together was the result of 6 months working on a shared document between those groups involved in getting digital modes legalized in his nation. F1SHS thinks that this can also lead to an even larger request from the ham community to ARCEP about three years from now.

(F1SHS via Southgate)

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RESTRUCTURING: UKRAINIAN HAMS LOOSE FREQUENCIES ON HF AND UHF

Some restructuring news out of the Ukrane that's bad news for ham radio operators in that nation. This, as the Ukrainian government has affirmed new rules for amateur radio operations that have resulted in spectrum losses on the High Frequency, UHF and microwave bands.

According to an e-mail from Alexander Doshchich, UY0LL, the spectrum withdrawn from access by Ukranian hams includes 10.100 to 10.150 and 14.250 to 14.350 MHz on the HF bands. On UHF an above the losses include 1240 to 1300 MHz, 2300 to 2450 MHz, 5670 to 5850 MHz and numerous other spectrum slots right on up to 248 to 250 GHz. (UY0LL)

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ENFORCEMENT: MIAMI UNLICENSED BROADCASTER HIT WITH $20000 NAL

If you are operating an unlicensed radio station, don't advertise it on the Internet. That's the lesson that Florida resident Marckenson Bazile is learning the hard way as the FCC issues him a $20,000 Notice of Apparent Liability for his alleged operation of an unlicensed radio transmitter on the frequency 103.9 MHz from his residence in the city of Miami.

According to the Commission's March 29th release, on June 16 2010 and again on June 29 2010, Mr. Bazile is alleged to have operated an unlicensed radio station on the frequency 103.9 MHz from his residence. Information on the Internet also showed that Mr. Bazile served as a D-J for a radio station on the frequency 103.9 MHz that the regulatory agency says was an unlicensed operation.

The FCC says that because Marckenson Bazile knowingly operated the station, it finds the apparent violation was willful. Because the operation occurred on more than one day, it also finds the apparent violation was repeated. Based on the evidence before it the $20,000 NAL has been issued to Brazile. He was given the customary 30 days to pay or to file an appeal. (FCC)

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THE BPL FIGHT: THE BBC REPORTS ON PLT INTERFERENCE TO BROADCASTING

The British Broadcasting Corporation has issued a report investigating the potential interference to broadcast reception from Broadband over Powerline devices which are known in Europe as Power Line Telecommunication or PLT equipment used in the home.

The report says they operation of the PLT Power Line Adaptors caused interference to indoor portable reception of both FM and Digital Audio Broadcasts, in varying degrees from no effect to total disruption. The report notes that the so-called digital cliff effect found in Digital Audio Broadcast reception means that when interference occurs the impact is extreme. The cliff effect is the all or nothing point in all digital broadcasts where you either get pristine reception or none at all.

But that's not all. The Power Line Adaptors were also found to disturb reception of FM using an external antenna at one of the homes that was surveyed. You can read the entire BBC Research White Paper at downloads.bbc.co.uk/rd/pubs/whp. (GB2RS)

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CHANGING OF THE GUARD: WORLD RADIO LABS FOUNDER LEO MEYERSON, W0GFQ -S.K.

An era in amateur radio has come to an end. This with word that World Radio Laboratories founder and owner Leo I. Meyerson, W0GFQ, has became a Silent Key.

According to a news release from the Quarter Century Wireless Association, Meyerson passed away on Wednesday, April 13th at the Eisenhower Medical Center, near his summer home in Rancho Mirage, California.

Leo Meyerson, was age 100 at the time of his passing. At airtime funeral arrangements are pending. We will have more about the man and his lifetime contribution to amateur radio in next weeks Amateur Radio Newsline report. (ARNewsline)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the KA5GLX

repeater serving Clear Lake Texas

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RESCUE RADIO: SOCAL HAMS PROVIDE AID IN ANOTHER HOSPITAL PHONE OUTAGE

Two weeks ago, Newsline told you about a phone failure at Childrens Hospital of Orange County and how hams quickly responded to help. Well, it's happened again at another hospital there. Newsline's Joe Moell K0OV is back to tell you the details and to explain why he's not surprised at another outage.

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A group pager alert at 10:28 AM on April 5 brought members of the Hospital Disaster Support Communications System to Saddleback Hospital in Laguna Hills after a digital equipment failure caused the inbound and outbound trunk lines to become inoperative. Again, the phone number of HDSCS net control was given to Orange County Communications agency so that ambulance companies and other hospitals could contact Saddleback Hospital via ham radio. The outage lasted until 6 PM that day.

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[audio from activation]

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Of the 115 times that HDSCS has been activated for communications problems in Orange County hospitals, this was the 85th time that it was due to switchgear or cable failure. Does it seem to you that Orange County has an unusual number of hospital phone failures? Well, not really. HDSCS leader April Moell, WA6OPS, talks to a lot of hospital employees and disaster planners around the country who tell her that they have their share of phone outages too. The causes range from accidentally cut cables to computer failures and power surges. She says that the difference is that most ham emergency groups around the country don't prepare and plan to help in these single-hospital incidents. They don't set up 24-hour alerting plans for the hospitals to use to contact them quickly when phones go down, so they never get the call. Often they don't have portable stations so they can go into the individual hospital units such as the Emergency Department, Pharmacy and so forth to provide unit-to-unit communications.

When a nurse on a hospital unit has an urgent need to contact a patient's physician at his office or home, but the phones are down because switchgear has failed or backhoe has dug up the cables, that's just as severe an emergency as it would be after a hurricane or tornado. So HDSCS plans to help hospitals whenever they need it, not just when all else fails in a big natural disaster.

Orange County hospitals appreciate HDSCS because hams come when they call and they can connect their staff members to the outside, no matter the cause of the communications outage. WA6OPS thinks that other ARES groups around the country should adopt this hospital support model, which includes robust alerting plans for each hospital, regular meetings with the hospital disaster planners, and ready-to-respond members who are trained in the special terminology and communications needs of medical facilities.

More information about HDSCS and its secrets of success are at the Web site of the Hospital Disaster Support Communications System, or HDSCS.ORG. From southern California, I'm Joe Moell K0OV for Amateur Radio Newsline.

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Another time when ham radio is there when normal lines of communications fail. (K0OV)

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PUBLIC SERVICE: VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR MAY 1 PROJECT BREAD WALK IN BOSTON

Eric Horwitz, KA1NCF, tells Newsline that ham radio volunteers are needed in the Boston, Massachusetts area. This in support of the Project Bread Walk for Hunger on Sunday, May 1st.

Eric says that this will be the 43rd running of the event and hams are needed to provide communications support for the Project Bread Staff and volunteers along the 20 mile course.

If you are interested in helping please take your web browser to www.mmra.org/wfh/ to log in and fill out the signup form. Questions go by e-mail to wfh11(at)mmra (dot)org (KA1NCF)

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RADIO LAW: FCC CONSIDERING NEW COMPLEX TOWER RULES

The radio towers-are-killing-migratory-birds debate has moved to a new stage at the FCC. This, as some conservation groups and other federal agencies have prodded the Commission into considering changes that will make its approval process for towers more complex.

And not just new towers are affected. David Oxenford is an attorney with firm of Davis Wright Tremaine. He says that the new requirements proposed by the FCC would affect modifications to existing structures if there would be a substantial increase in size or even changes in lighting.

Two major rule changes are up for public comment. The first is a requirement to give local public notice of the construction of a tower. The second is a possible requirement for an Environmental Assessment.

Oxenford notes that an Environmental Assessment is a document that must be carefully prepared this is not routinely something that an applicants can dash off on their own. What affect if any the passage of these proposed requirements might have on small towers used by ham radio operators on private property is unknown. (RW)

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HAM RADIO IN CYBERSPACE: NEW NOTE BOARD FEATURE ON QRZ.COM

The popular QRZ dot com ham radio website has added a very unique new feature. Called the Note Board, it gives every QRZ member's callsign access to an on-going collection of messages that are attached directly to their callsign page.

According to QRZ founder Fred Lloyd, AA7BQ, the new Note Board system allows other members on your Friends List to leave messages on your page. Optionally, you may designate an All Friends Mode that lets everybody post to your page.

Lloyd says that each member has full moderation authority for their Note Board and can add or delete postings whenever they like. And regardless of whether you limit the posts to your friends or everybody, you still get to block selected users from your page. (QRZ.com)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: 2011 AMSAT SYMPOSIUM AND ANNUAL MEETING

The 2011 AMSAT Space Symposium and Annual Meeting will be held November 4th to the 6th at the Wyndham San Jose in San Jose, California. The AMSAT Board meeting will be at the same hotel on Thursday and Friday November 3rd and 4th. A special hotel rate for attendees has been negotiated that includes free Wi Fi, parking and airport shuttle. If you are into ham radio space communications, then be sure to Mark your calendars and plan to attend this event. (WA4SXM)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: WK3N RECEIVES RARE 160 METER WAZ AWARDED.

Some names in the news. First a word of congratulations to James Scott, WK3N, of Hartstown, Pennsylvania. This on both achieving and receiving his 160 meter Worked All Zones award. This award started in 1975 and less than 35 North American stations have ever achieved this level.

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: WTVT REPORTER WARREN ELLY. W1GUD, ANNOUNCES HE WILL RETIRE FROM WTVT TELEVISION THIS JULY

Warren Elly, W1GUD, who has been reporting news for Tampa Florida's WTVT television is preparing to step away from the Fox-affiliate after nearly 29 years with the station. Elly joined WTVT in 1982, after reporting for Youngstown Ohio's WYTV. He quickly became known in the

Tampa area for his direct reporting style covering crime and politics.

Ham radio wise, Elly was first licensed in August of 1961 as WN1GUD. A Connecticut native, Elly credits amateur radio as the motivation that lead him to his career in broadcasting. He also worked in the amateur radio industry with short detours into publishing with 73 Magazine, manufacturing and marketing at DenTron and Original Equipment Manufacturing Sales as KW Electronics. From there it was onto the broadcast news business with Tampa's WTVT being his home base for close to three decades.

According to his QRZ dot com bio, W1GUD's main amateur radio interest is AM. He has operated that mode on 160, through 10 meters since 1967 and is with the Florida AM Group that meets nightly on 3655 Kilohertz in the 75 meter band. He also enjoys working DX on SSB and CW. And over the years he has reported several hobby radio related stories right here on Amateur Radio Newsline.

Warren Elly also maintains a YouTube Channel for retro broadcast transmitters and allied interests. Its in cyberspace www.youtube.com/user/w1gud. His final day at WTVT is set for this coming July 5th. (ARNewsline from Mediabistro, QRZ.com)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: ISS ASTRONAUT AND JETHRO TULL PERFORM FLUTE CONCERT

And NASA says that musical harmony reached new heights. This as astronaut Cady Coleman, circling Earth aboard the International Space Station, and musician Ian Anderson, founder of the rock band Jethro Tull, collaborated for the first space-Earth duet.

Coleman is an amateur flutist. She and Anderson played a portion of the song "Bourree," an arrangement of which Anderson and Jethro Tull performed during their 1969 U.S. tour as Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin stepped on the moon.

Coleman played her part from 220 miles above Earth. Anderson performed his part while on tour in Russia. The two segments were then edited together to form the finished piece.

Coleman and Anderson's performance saluted 50 years of human spaceflight and the anniversary of the first launch of a human to space. Cosmonaut Yuri Gagarin completed that milestone on April 12, 1961. You can see this out of the world flute concert at tinyurl.com/3voo5ed. (NASA)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being

relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: THREE RETIRING SPACE SHUTTLES TO HAVE NEW HOMES

Four space transport vehicles, three of which have a close association with amateur radio will soon have new homes. This after NASA announced on Tuesday, April 12th the new retirement locations for the four remaining space shuttles. Three that flew and the program's ground based test vehicle. Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, is in the Newsroom with the details:

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According to NASA, the space shuttle Atlantis will be displayed at the Kennedy Space Center Visitor Complex in Florida. The Endeavour will go to the California Science Center in Los Angeles. Discovery will makes its home at the Smithsonian's National Air and Space Museum in Virginia and the test shuttle, Enterprise, will be displayed on the Intrepid Sea, Air & Space Museum in New York City.

The announcement was made on the 30th anniversary of the space shuttle program's first flight made by the ill-fated Columbia orbiter, and the 50th anniversary of Russian Cosmonaut Yuri Gagarin becoming the first human in space. But it was the first manned ham radio operation by Dr. Owen Garriott, W5LFL, from Columbia during mission STS-9 lead to the creation of the Shuttle Amateur Radio Experiment program which later gave way to Amateur Radio on the International Space Station or ARISS as its known today. Hence the close ties between ham radio and the space shuttles.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the new home of the spaceship Endeavour - Los Angeles, California.

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During the three decade span of the Space Shuttle program ham radio was a part of many flights. And thanks in good part to former NASA Administrator Jess Moore and the late NBC science correspondent Roy Neal, K6DUE, amateur radio also severed as a back-up communications system that was in place on shuttle flights should all other means fail. (NASA, ARNewline Archives)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: KA2UPW NEEDS ARISSAT 1 AUDIO FILES

If you made a recording of the transmissions of the ARISSat One satellite while it was operational from the International Space Station in celebration of Cosmonaut Yuri Gagari's 50th spaceflight anniversary, then ARISSat TLM author Douglas Quagliana KA2UPW wants to hear from

you. This, as he issues a request for ARISSat One audio recorded between 14:30 UTC on April 11th and continuing until 10:30 UTC on April 13th.

If you are able to make a recording of the signals from ARISSat-1, Douglas would be very interested in obtaining a copy. He is most interested in the CW and BPSK signals, but if you were able to record the voice and SSTV signals he would like to have those as well.

KA2UOW asks that you save your recordings as .WAV files. Please do not use the popular MP3 format and don't convert the recordings into MP3. This is because the MP3 format compresses the information to create a smaller file and data is lost. He says to leave the recordings as those large .WAV files and contact him by e-mail to dquagliana(at)aol(dot)com for details on how to get the recorded files to him. (KA2UPW/5)

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RADIO IN SPACE: A MORSE CODE ROVER FOR MARS

A Morse code Rover will soon be headed to the Red Planet. Well, at least one marked in Morse. VK2LAW reports:

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The Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL) choose to put a pattern on the next Martian Rover, named Curiosity. They are in a pattern of short squares and longer rectangles on the wheels almost like dots and dashes in CW.

According to JPL, Curiosity is about the size of a small SUV -- 10 feet long (not including the arm), 9 feet wide and 7 feet tall -- or about the height of a basketball player --and weighs 2000 pounds.

It features a geology lab, rocker-bogie suspension, a rock-vaporizing laser and lots of cameras. Curiosity will search areas of Mars for past or present conditions favorable for life and for conditions

It is set to launch between November 25 to December 18, 2011 from Cape Canaveral, Florida and will arrive on Mars August, 2012. The prime mission will last one Mars year, or about 23 Earth months

I'm VK2LAW reporting.

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And less we forget. We do know what the pattern of dots sand dashes spells out. Simply the three letters JPL. (WIA News)

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RADIO SCIENCE: CALL FOR PAPERS FOR ARRL & TAPER DCC

Technical papers are solicited for presentation at the 30th Annual ARRL and TAPR Digital Communications Conference slated for September 16th to the 18th in Baltimore, Maryland. Papers will also be published in the Conference Proceedings but you do not need to attend the conference to have your paper included in the Proceedings. Also, papers will be published exactly as submitted and authors will retain all rights.

The submission deadline is July 31st. Please send papers to Maty Weinberg at the ARRL, 225 Main St, Newington, Connecticut, 06111. You can also submit them by e-mail to maty@arrl.org. (WB8IMY)

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ON THE AIR: CELEBRATING DJURDJEVEC CROATIA

On the air keep an ear open for special event station 9A11P to be active through the end of the year. This, to celebrate the city of Djurdjevac, Croatia. A special QSL will be issued and all QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau and electronically using Logbook of the World. (OPDX)

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CONTEST CORNER: FLORIDA QSO PARTY MOVED TO APRIL 30 - MAY 1

And the date of this year's Florida QSO Party has been changed to the weekend of April 30th to May 1st this year. The contest is normally held on the 4th full weekend in April however this year that is Easter. So the decision was made to slip it a week so as not to conflict with family holiday plans. (Florida QSO Party)

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In D-X, the Pacific-DXer's Web page is reporting that a callsign should soon be issued and permission granted to a group of Polish hams to operate from Nauru during January and February of 2012. This permit will include 60 meters. The call requested is C-21-A.

VE3DZ will be on the air from Barbados as 8P9AA through May 1st. Activity will be on all HF bands using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via his home callsign.

Also from Barbados, word that PY2XB, will be active as 8P9XB from St. Philip, Barbados between May 8th and the 21st. Operation will be on 80 through 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. He will also have a 6 meter beacon on at 50.099 MHz. QSL via PT7WA.

OH2YL will be active portable FJ from Saint Barthelemy between April 15th and the 27th. Activity will be on all High Frequency bands from 160 to 10 meters. He will be using CW only on a lower edge of all bands. QSL via OH2YL direct or electronically using Logbook of the World.

9N7DX and XYL 9N7YL will be operational from Nepal between April 13th to the 30th. Operation is primarily on 20, 15, 10 and 6 meters using CW, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via 4Z4DX.

And listen out for A25FC in Botswana from April 14th to the 18th. Activity will be on 80 through 10 meters using CW, SSB, PSK and RTTY. QSL via ON4CJK, either direct or via the bureau.

Lastly, HA5PP will once again be active stroke 5B from Cyprus during the CQWW WPX CW Contest on May 28th and 29th. He will be a single operator single band entrant but his band of choice has not yet been announced. QSL via HA5PP.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: WORLD AMATEUR RADIO DAY ON APRIL 18

And finally this week, the International Amateur Radio Union, and its member societies representing over 150 countries around the world, will celebrate World Amateur Radio Day on Monday, April 18. The theme for this year's celebration is "Amateur Radio: The first technology-based social network." Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP, tells us about this years ham radio celebration:

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According to the IARU and the ARRL, long before the Internet and smart phones existed, amateur radio operators had been talking, texting and sharing their thoughts for decades. But unlike those commercial services, amateur radio continues to attract people world-wide by providing international communications for free. And because it does not need pre-established supporting infrastructure, radio-savvy amateurs can reach out to friends in every corner of the world and into space as well.

Amateur Radio operators have been the leaders in developing many of today's modern electronic and communications marvels. Today the citizens of Earth think of wireless as being the ubiquitous cellular phone - only made possible because of the pioneering work in radio technologies first explored by these "amateurs". Many of our leading electrical engineers draw from their practical experiences as Amateur Radio operators as they continue to develop applications blending computers and radios. Ham Radio operators may be "amateur" because they are unpaid volunteers, but their skills and contributions to the world are of the highest order.

Calling, texting or even using old Morse code on the Amateur shortwave bands can result in chatting with other radio amateurs across town or far across the oceans. While hams have repeatedly been in the news for their life-saving communications services in disasters, a large part of their activities is the excitement and joy of contacting distant and remote areas of the world, learning directly about each others' regions

and lives and trying different ways to make radio contacts around the world.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP, in Scottsdale, Arizona.

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Since 1925, the IARU has been instrumental in coordinating and representing Amateur Radio to the world. For more information about the International Amateur Radio Union please take your web browser to www.IARU.org (IARU, ARRL)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

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And a reminder that the nominating period for the year 2011 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award is now open. Created by Newsline back in 1986, this award is offered to recognize one young United States or Canadian radio amateur age 18 or younger for his or her contributions to society through Amateur Radio.

As in years past, the 2011 recipient will receive an expense paid trip to the Huntsville Hamfest in Huntsville Alabama courtesy of Vertex-Standard Corporation which produces Yaesu brand amateur radio gear. Vertex-Standard will also present this years winner with a special ham radio related gift. CQ Magazine will again treat the recipient to a week at Spacecamp-Huntsville. We at Amateur Radio Newsline will present the winner with a plaque honoring his or her achievements.

All nominations and materials required by the official rules must be received by ARNewsline before June 30, 2011. A downloadable nominating form is at our website at www.arnewsline.org. A nominating form can also be obtained by sending a request along with a self addressed stamped envelope to the Young Ham of the Year Award in care of Amateur Radio Newsline, Inc. 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California 91350.

Again, the cutoff date for this year's Young Ham of the Year Award nominations is June 30th. We ask you to do your part by nominating a young ham who has done something special related to ham radio. The nomination form is at www.arnewsline.org

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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394. Obituary Notice for Leo Meyerson, W0GFQ

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-15 14:06:06 UTC
From: ARRL Members Only Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20110415132009.32AA02083F@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 4684
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,oma.general,nebr.misc,rec.radio.info

Dick Newsome, W0HXL, and Frank Vondra, WB0QQK, both sent me notes about the obiturary for Leo in the Omaha World Herald. The URL for the notice appears below. Dick suggested that many of you may wish to sign the guest book at the website. Dick also noted that Leo was the oldest member of the QCWA Omaha Chapter 210.

http://tinyurl.com/leow0gfq

Thanks, Dick and Frank.

73, Art K0AIZ

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395. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 17th April 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-15 15:00:23 UTC
From: Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk
Message-ID: <20110415150007.D69E133C27@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4685
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 17th April 2011

The news headlines:

* Special Temporary Callsigns for Royal wedding

* Celebrate World Amateur Radio Day

* Latest report from the 6 and 10 reporting club published

RSGB has agreed with Ofcom arrangements for all UK radio amateurs to be able to use special callsigns for a period of eleven days beginning on the date of the marriage of HRH Prince William and Miss Catherine Middleton, 29 April 2011. Use of the special prefix, MR, 2R or GR, according to your licence type, is conditional on allocation of a Notice of Variation that can be quickly obtained via a simple process on the Society's website, where full details of the arrangements can also be found. UK amateurs wishing to use the special prefix should visit www.rsgb.org.uk/weddingcall and follow the guidance there. The last date and time for application is 6pm on 26 April 2011. All NoVs will be provided by close of business on 28 April. Please note that no postal applications can be accepted and all NoVs will be sent by e-mail.

The International Amateur Radio Union and its more than 160 Member Societies representing countries around the world, will celebrate World Amateur Radio Day on 18 April. The theme for this year's celebration is Amateur Radio: The First Technology-Based Social Network. Amateur Radio operators have been the leaders in developing many of today's modern electronic and communications marvels.

The Six and Ten Reporting Club is an informal group of radio amateurs, mostly from the UK, who are interested in propagation studies at frequencies around the HF-VHF boundary, mainly the 6 and 10 metre amateur bands. The club produces a monthly newsletter, the Six and Ten Report, that includes analysis of 28MHz propagation based on beacon monitoring, analysis of 50MHz activity reports broken down by propagation mode, reports and discussions on unusual propagation events, compilations of solar and geomagnetic data, lists of activity world-wide, beacon news and results of on-going experiments. The Report is usually published on this site about 5-6 weeks after the end of the month by g7kse at http://g7kse.co.uk/6and10.

The BBC has issued a report investigating the potential interference to broadcast reception from Power Line Telecommunication (PLT) equipment used in the home. Read the BBC Research White Paper by typing `BBC publications WHP195' into your favourite search engine.

Veralum Amateur Radio Club is celebrating its 50th anniversary on Saturday 11 June with a special events day. This will be held on the premises of a school in St Albans in Hertfordshire. All past and present members are to be invited. The Club is anxious to contact all ex members who have lost contact, so they can be invited to join in the celebrations. On the day there will be displays of equipment as well as operating stations including an attempt at an Earth-Moon-Earth bounce. There will be several talks and displays of memorabilia. Celebrations will end with a hog roast. If you are a one time member of the Club and would like to attend this reunion or would like further details, contact the Club Secretary, Ralph G1BSZ, preferably by e- mail to g1bsz@aol.com or by telephone on 01923 265572.

Could any amateurs or clubs planning to take part in this year's Mills on the Air over the weekend 14 and 15 May please register their details on the Denby Dale ARS website www.g4cdd.net or get in touch with Gerald, G3SDY via g3sdy@sky.com as soon as possible.

The East Yorkshire Repeater Group is pleased to announce that a new 70cm D-Star repeater, GB7HU, has been commissioned in East Yorkshire. The new service is the culmination of several years of planning by their committee, along with a successful grant of £9,466 received from the National Lottery Big Lottery fund. The group has also purchased several D-Star transceivers and a high quality generator for use with emergency communications in East Yorkshire. GB7HU was switched on by the RSGB DRM for East Yorkshire, Mario Brashill, G2DPA.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

Over the weekend of 16 and 17 April, Jim, M0JHW is holding another of his field days at the Sports & Social Club, Harlaxton, Grantham NG32 1HX. There will be plenty of tea and coffee and a BBQ in the afternoon. All are invited to come and meet old friends and make new ones. There will also be ample opportunity to play radio. Details from Jim by e-mail to m0jhwjim@aol.co.uk.

Today, Sunday 17 April, the Kempton Rally is taking place from 10am at Kempton Park Race Course, Staines Road East, Sunbury on Thames TW16 5AQ. There are trade stands, an RSGB bookstall, special interest sections and many other attractions. Details are available on the internet at www.radiofairs.co.uk.

Past RSGB President, Angus Annan, MM1CCR, is a speaker and guest of honour at the Pearl Anniversary Lough Erne Rally today, Sunday 17 April. His busy programme includes a talk about the National Radio Centre at Bletchley Park, the presentation of the Regional Club of the Year Award to Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club and certificates of congratulation to the Club's nine new Intermediate licensees. Further

details at www.loughernerадioclub.co.uk.

Also on Sunday 17 April the Andover Radio Amateur Club Boot Sale is taking place at Wildhern Village Hall and Playing Field, north of Andover just off the A343 at SP11 0JE. Entry is £1.50, with vendors £6 per boot/table or £8 inside the hall. Details from Martin, M0MWS on 01980 612070.

We are not aware of any rallies taking place over the Easter weekend, 22 and 23 April.

Now for the news of special events

GB2SWF will be celebrating the Speyside Whiskey Festival from 23 and 24 April from Craigellachie distillery. Operation will be on HF and 2m, more details are at QRZ.com.

Rockbeare Quarry in Devon hosts GB5RST for Rockbeare Shutter Telegraph from Monday 25th April until Saturday 30th April. Activity will be on all bands from Top Band to 70cm. Full details, including QSL information, on QRZ.com. And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

9A11P special event station will be active through the end of the year to celebrate the city of Djurdjevac. A special QSL will be issued and all of the QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau and LoTW. SWL's reports are welcomed, too.

To celebrate the 86th Anniversary of IARU and the Amateur Radio Day a special event station will be active from Mexico with the call 4A0IARU from April 18 to 24. It will be on all bands, all mode, multi operator, multi location. QSL via N7RO and LoTW upload.

TC57A will be operating from the battlefields of Gallipoli and Gelibolu between 21 and 25 April. QSL via the bureau or direct to TCSWAT at PO Box 73 Karakoy, 34421 Istanbul, Turkey.

N2WB is planning to be active stroke HR5 from Honduras between 20 April and 4 May. QSL via N2OO.

A group of German operators will be active from Togo during the period 15 to 28 April. They will be QRV on all bands 10 to 160m using the callsign 5V7CC. QSLs go via DL9MBI.

Anne, OH2YL will be on the Island of St Barthelemy in the Caribbean from 15 £ 27 April signing FJ/OH2YL. Operation will be on CW only. QSL via the home callsign or via Logbook of the World.

Now the contest news

On Tuesday 19 April the 1.3GHz UK activity contest takes place on the 23cm band from 1900UTC to 2130UTC. Operation is all mode and the exchange is RST, serial number and locator.

The 80m Club Championships Data leg takes place on Thursday 21 April from 1900 to 2033UTC. All data modes can be used on the 80m band only. RST and serial number forms the exchange.

Over the weekend of 23 to 24 April it's the SP DX RTTY contest from 1200UTC Saturday until the same time Sunday. Operation is RTTY only, all bands from 80m to 10m. The exchange is RST and serial number; SP stations also send their Province code. And now the solar factual data for the period from the 4th to the 10th April, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on the 11th of April.

Solar activity varied between very low to low. Small strength C class solar flares took place on the 6th, 7th and the 9th. These had little effect on propagation but on occasions faint coronal mass ejections were observed. Solar flux levels declined from 117 units on the 6th to 105 by the 9th and the 10th. The average was 110 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 10th was 101 units, that's two units up on last week. The last time the 90 day solar flux average stood at 100 units was in February 2005 during the declining phase of the last sunspot cycle. X-ray flux levels varied little day to day and averaged B2.9 units. Geomagnetic activity was quiet till mid morning of the 6th when a coronal mass ejection arrived. The following disturbance was strong but short lived and at its peak caused a widespread radio aurora that extended down to southern England. The Ap index on the 6th was 26 units and the average was Ap 10 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds decline from 600 kilometres per second on the 4th to 420 by the next day. Speeds increased on the 6th associated with the disturbance. Particle densities were low every day. Densities on some days were below one particle per cubic centimetre. Bz on the quiet days varied between minus 3 and plus 4 nanoTeslas and between minus 10 and plus 7 nanoTeslas during the 6th.

And now the solar forecast. This week the active side of the Sun is expected to be looking our way. Solar activity is expected to be low bout could increase higher than that on some days. Solar flux levels should increase and later in the week could be approaching the 120's. Geomagnetic activity should be quiet every day, however, a small disturbance could take place around midweek. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 24MHz for the south and 21MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be about 10MHz. Paths this week to Japan should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 21MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 15MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 0900 and 1200 hours. The second half of April normally sees the start of the summer sporadic-E season for the northern hemisphere. In fact during the 10th a good opening took place on 50MHz to Iberia.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your

transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS On Sunday 17 April Midland Amateur Radio Society Club is visiting Kempton Park Rally. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 01214 229 787.

On Monday 18 April Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is operating on VHF. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548478, daytime.

On Monday 18 April Leicester Radio Society is holding a committee meeting and general meeting. Contact Alex, G8FCQ, on 0753 120 1640.

On Monday 18 April South Birmingham Radio Society is planning the equipment and site for VHF field day. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Monday 18 April South Normanton Alfreton & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a junk sale. Details from A Lawrence, 2E0BQS, by email to adylawri@btinternet.com.

On Monday 18 April Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society is holding its AGM. For more information contact Peter D Rivers, G4XEX, on 01858 432105.

On Tuesday 19 April Derby & District Amateur Radio Society has a technical topics evening. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 19 April Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is visiting Hermitage FM in Coalville. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Wednesday 20 April Hinckley Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on RAYNET by Kevin Finn, M0KVN. Details from John, M0JAV, on 07836 731544.

On Wednesday 20 April Lincoln Short-Wave Club is having a natter night and putting G6COL on the air. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

On Wednesday 20 April Midland Amateur Radio Society is planning for its 80th year in June and holding training classes. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 01214 229 787.

On Wednesday 20 April South Kesteven Amateur Radio Society is discussing a visit to the Dambusters Rally and having an informal evening. Contact Nigel, M0CVO, on 01476 402550. On Wednesday 20 April Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is holding its first 2m DF hunt. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday 21 April Cheltenham Amateur Radio Association is having three short talks. Contact Derek Thom, G3NKS, on 01242 241099.

On Thursday 21 April Salop Amateur Radio Society is having a demo on wiring RF connectors the right way by Ken, G8DIR. Details on the club website at www.salop-ars.org.uk.

On Thursday 21 April Solihull Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on the development of the superhet receiver by Bill Williams, G8AVX. Details from P T Gaskin, G8AYY, on 0121 628 7383.

On Thursday 21 April South Birmingham Radio Society is having training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Friday 22 April Coventry Amateur Radio Society is holding a quiz night. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777363.

On Friday 22 April Hucknall Rolls Royce Amateur Radio Club is holding a quiz. More information from Dave Wilde, G1YAI, on 0844 4355593.

On Friday 22 April Nunsfield House Amateur Radio Group is having a shack night. Details from Ken Frankcom, G3OCA, on 01332 720976.

On Friday 22 April South Birmingham Radio Society is holding a construction evening. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Saturday 23 April Lincoln Short-Wave Club is in the shack. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND On Monday 18 April Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is on the air and having a natter night. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 0191 477 0036.

On Monday 18 April Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having a quiz or video evening. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 18 April Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is having an auction with Mick, G4EZM. Details on the web at www.tcars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 19 April Chester & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on Summits On The Air by Tom Read, M1EYP. Details from Barbara Green on 07957 870770.

On Tuesday 19 April Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society continues its Foundation and Intermediate training plus further investigations into a simple give-away crystal set kit. Contact Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341317. On Tuesday 19 April Stockport Radio Society is having a talk on wireless propagation in WWII. More information from Nigel Roscoe, on 07973 312 699.

On Wednesday 20 April Denby Dale Radio Club is having part 2 of the talk on power supplies by Ian, G4LUG. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220126.

On Wednesday 20 April Grimsby Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. Contact Cliff, G4YHP, on 01472 328 830.

On Wednesday 20 April Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is holding a fox hunt. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240573.

On Wednesday 20 April Mid-Cheshire Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on first contact by G8NKX. Contact Peter Paul Fox, G8HAV, on 01606 553401.

On Thursday 21 April Grimsby Amateur Radio Society is taking part in the RSGB 80m CC. Contact Cliff, G4YHP, on 01472 328 830.

On Thursday 21 April Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the 80m CC Data. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240573.

On Thursday 21 April Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on stealth antennas for the basement and flat dweller. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 0787 608 5631.

On Thursday 21 April South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is closed For Easter. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 0161 969 3999.

On Thursday 21 April Wakefield & District Radio Society is on the air and holding a committee meeting. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563117.

On Saturday 23 April Wakefield & District Radio Society continues its Foundation, Intermediate and Advanced courses. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563117.

On Saturday 23 April Wakefield & District Radio Society Club is having its annual dinner at the Cock & Crown in Crofton. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563117.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND No news items have been received for Northern Ireland this week.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday 19 April Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club evening. Details from Norman, on 07740 946192.

On Wednesday 20 April Ayr Amateur Radio Group is holding its AGM. Details from Tom Ferguson, GM1OST, on 01292 532 088.

On Wednesday 20 April West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society has Solder Group homebrew projects & licence training. More information from Fred Coombes, 2M0BIN, on 01415 715512.

On Thursday 21 April Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is on the air ad having a construction evening. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663.

On Friday 22 April West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society is having presentations, guest speakers, a quiz and a raffle. More information from Fred Coombes, 2M0BIN, on 01415 715512.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA On Sunday 17 April Andover Radio Amateurs Club Spring Boot Sale. Details from Martin, M0MWS, on 07776 181646.

On Monday 18 April Braintree & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a construction contest. For more information contact John, M5AJB, on 01787 460 947.

On Monday 18 April Burnham Beeches Radio Club is having a talk on the K3 by John, G3PQA. Contact Dave, G4XDU, on 01628 625 720.

On Monday 18 April Felixtowe & District Amateur Radio Society has a talk by a Microwave Round Table speaker. More information from Paul, G4YQC, by email to pjw@btinternet.com.

On Monday 18 April Surrey Radio Contact Club has a fix it, advice, chin wag and move it on evening. Contact John, G3MCX, on 020 8688 3322.

On Tuesday 19 April Andover Radio Amateurs Club is having a club night and satellites for all workshop with Martin, M0MWS. Details from Martin, M0MWS, on 07776 181646.

On Tuesday 19 April Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720815.

On Tuesday 19 April Bromley & District Amateur Radio Society is looking at practical contesting. Details from Andy, G4WGZ, on 01689 878089.

On Tuesday 19 April Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society has a club net night. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Wednesday 20 April Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on practical aerials and how to get the best out of your rig by Roger, G3MEH. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.
On Wednesday 20 April Havering & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on WSPR by Dave, M0TAZ. More information from John, M0UKD, on 07890 222111.

On Wednesday 20 April Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the exciting story of long distance communications by Don Field, G3XTT. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898678.

On Wednesday 20 April Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on smart CCTV cameras by Dr Phil Birch. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816684.

On Thursday 21 April Colchester Radio Amateurs is hosting a Three Clubs Quiz Night with Clacton and Harwich. More information from Kevan, 2E0WMG, on 07766 543784.

On Thursday 21 April Cray Valley Radio Society is holding its AGM. Details from Bob, M0MCV, on 020 8265 7735 after 8pm.

On Thursday 21 April Horndean & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on how aerials really, really work by Graham King, G3XSD. Contact Stuart, G0FYX, on 023 9247 2846.

On Thursday 21 April King's Lynn Amateur Radio Club is having a club night and 2m club net. Contact Ray, G3RSV, by email to ral-g3rsv@supanet.com.

On Thursday 21 April Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a club night at the shack. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564242.

On Thursday 21 April Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the RSGB CC Data contest. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898678.

On Thursday 21 April Shefford & District Amateur is taking part in the 80 metre Club Contest. Details from David, G8UOD, on 01234 742 757.

On Thursday 21 April Sutton & Cheam Radio Society is having a talk on simple junk box antennas by Martin Butler, M1MRB and Denis Noe, M0NDJ. More information from John, G0BWV, on 020 8644 9945.

On Friday 22 April Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club is closed. Contact Ron, G3KBR, on 01223 501712.

On Friday 22 April Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is closed. Contact Peter, G4AKG, on 01444 239371.

On Saturday 23 April Radio Society of Harrow is operating GX3EFX/P for St George's Day in Pinner. More information from Linda, G7RJL, on 0208 386 8586.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST On Monday 18 April Appledore & District Amateur Radio Club is having a practical demo of SSTV by Mike, G3PGA. Contact Brian Jewell, M0BRB, on 01237 473251 for more information.

On Tuesday 19 April Blackmoor Vale Amateur Radio Society is evaluating HF on the air. Contact Tony, G0GFL, on 01258 860741.

On Wednesday 20 April Taunton & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a junk sale. Contact William, G3WNI, on 01823 666 234 for more information.

On Wednesday 20 April Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is having a video night. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417048.

On Wednesday 20 April Trowbridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night and committee meeting. Details from Ian, G0GRI, on 01225 864 698, evenings and weekends.

On Thursday 21 April South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is viewing films of Bristol with Adrian, 2E0JUW. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695471.

On Thursday 21 April Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is closed. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317750.

On Thursday 21 April Yeovil Amateur Radio Club is holding its AGM. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk.

On Friday 22 April North Bristol Amateur Radio Club is closed but holding a club net on 144.450MHz at 8pm instead. More information from Dick on 01454 218362.

On Friday 22 April Torbay Amateur Radio Society is closed. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES On Monday 18 April Dragon Amateur Radio Club is planning for International Marconi Day. More information from Stewart Rolfe, GW0ETF, on 07833 620733.

On Monday 18 April Llanelli Amateur Radio Society is holding its AGM. Contact Craig, MW0MXT, on 01269 840292.

On Tuesday 19 April Wrexham Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on antenna by Carl & John. More information from Patrick, 2W0HUU, on 07947 701 927.

On Thursday 21 April Porthmadog and District Amateur Radio Society is having a surplus equipment sale 8pm start. Details from Glyn, MW5CAD, on 01286 830078.

On Thursday 21 April Swansea Amateur Radio Society is visiting the Maritime Rescue Coordination Centre, Swansea. Details from Nick Lewis, MW0JGE, on 01792 402035.

396. SEXY HOT GIRLS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-16 01:17:29 UTC
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397. SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 16 APRIL 2011

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In the news today

SARL AGM REPORT

GALA DINNER AND SARL AWARDS

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting news items.

SARL AGM

The SARL AGM was held yesterday at the Vaal University of Technology and was attended by 60 members present. There were 284 proxies. The annual report and the financial report were approved as published. Rassie Erasmus, ZS1YT, explained the budget as well as the the budgeted expenditure for the 2011 IARU conference. John Willescroft, ZS6EF, discussed the planned courses and the planned income. The budget was approved unanimously.

The AGM then proceeded to discuss the motions. The validity of the motion 1 was questioned. The Chairman explained that the motion was received before the closing date and was signed by the proposer and seconder. Richard, ZS6UK, proposed an amendment. The amendment was voted on and carried with 254 in favour and 13 against. The amendment amounts to that councillors will serve for two years and that 50% retire annually.

Motion 2, that the Forum is only open to members ,was carried unanimously. An amendment was proposed to have two forums one for members and one for non-members. The amendment was defeated by 254 against and 4 votes in favour.

The meeting adjourned to attend a presentation about physics by Tony Voorveld, ZS6CCD. The meeting resumed at 12:45. Under general various members asked questions around the regulations and the HAREC certificate.

The meeting closed at 13:40.

A brief Council meeting was held. Dennis Green, ZS4BS, was re-elected as President and Mark Zank, ZS6YES, as Vice President. Other portfolios will be discussed at the first council meeting. The following councillors were declared elected as only 15 nominations were received and one nomination was withdrawn, The other council members for the 2011/2012 are as follows: Henry Chamberlain, ZS1AAZ Hans van den Groenendaal, ZS6AKV Fred Scheepers, ZS1FCS Mark Zank, ZS6YES Laurie Devereux, ZS5DL Francois Botha, ZS6BUU Gerhard Coetzee, ZS3TG John Willescroft, ZS6EF Frik Wolff, ZS6FZ Riaan Greeff, ZS4PR Willem Weideman, ZS6WWJ. Geoff Levey, ZS6GRL.

Congratulations to you all, be assured of our loyal support for the new year of duty.

A motion of thanks for the National Convention arrangements by the Vaal and Sasolburg Amateur Radio Clubs was proposed and unanimously accepted.

GALA DINNER AND SARL AWARDS

We noted that the names of a Past President of the SARL, Chris Turner, then ZS6GM, and Gerald Klatzko, ZS6BTD, who I think is the oldest Honorary Life Member of the SARL, appeared on somewhere in the AGM papers. We presume that they would have had something to say during the course of the gala dinner on Saturday evening. Best of luck to them.

The gala dinner was interrupted by the presentation of SARL Awards, which was done by ZS6P, Tjerk Lammers, the awards manager of the SARL.

It is to be noted that Honorary Life Membership and Jack Twine Merit Awards are awarded once only to a particular person and are in recognition of meritious work done for the SARL over a period of membership. All the other awards are for achievements by individuals during the the past financial year. The awards are:

Honorary Life Membership. Dave Perry. ZS1SG.

Jack Twine Merit Award. Petrus Coetzee, ZR1DE Terry Cotton, ZS1AYJ S K White, ZS1BSD Graham Butler, ZS1GVB Klaus Knopf, ZS1QO Ivan Newman, ZS2ILN Ronnie Verhoeven, ZS4RY Chris Burger, ZS6EZ Dirk du Plessis, ZS1DDP Fred Scheepers, ZS1FCS Andries Visagie, ZS6VL Frik Wolf, ZS6FZ Riaan Greeff, ZS4PR Joop Hesp, ZS6C Deon Heydenrych, ZS1G.

President's Award. Graham Griggs, ZS2ABK.

Icom Excellence Award. Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP.

Arthur Hemsley 2 metre Trophy. Peter Tottle, ZS2ABF.

Barney Joel Trophy. Rassie Erasmus, ZS1YT.

Joseph White Plaque. Willem Badenhorst, ZS6WAB Pine Pienaar, ZS6OB

Bert Buckley Six metre Trophy. Andre Botes, ZS2ACP.

Radio ZS Shield. John Green, ZS1JHG

J J Pienaar Trophy. John Willescroft, ZS6EF

Gary Immelman RA Heritage Award Floating Trophy. Vidi la Grange, ZS1EL.

Arland Ussher Gold Pen. Guido Costa, ZS1UHF Warren Reilly, ZS4W Renier Siebrits, ZS1MIR.

Silent Keys Memorial Trophy, SSB. Jan Botha, ZS4JAN.

Silent Keys Memorial Trophy, CW. West Rand ARC, ZS6WR.

Joseph White Trophy. Jan Botha ZS4JAN

Fred Mills Trophy. Thian de Jager, ZS2Y Marius Preston, ZS2MP.

Anon Trophy. Bruce Dunn, ZS5XT.

HOS Trough. West Rand ARC, ZS6WR.

The Club or Branch Participation Award. West Rand ARC, ZS6WR.

The "Ray Webber, ZS6RSW" VHF/UHF Trophy. Magalies Radio Amateur Club, ZS6MRK.

The SARL 80 m Club Contest Trophy. West Rand ARC, ZS6WR.

Hamnet. Chris Gryffenberg, ZS6COG.

Hearty congratulations to all the recipients.

CLUB NEWS

The next flea market of the West Rand Amateur Radio Club will take place at 12:00 on Saturday 30 April 2011 at their club house in Kroton Street, Weltevredenpark, Roodepoort. Everyone is very welcome. For more information, contact Phillip, ZS6PVT, at 083 267 3835.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is at moderate levels. Numerous C-Class flares are taking place around both sprawling Sunspot 1 190 and new Sunspot 1 193. The solar flux is trending higher thanks to all of the recent sunspot activity. The official Sunspot number count of 153 on Wednesday was a new record for Cycle 24. The effective sunspot number is expected to be around 75 for the coming week.

15 m will provide the best opportunities for DX followed by 20 m. With the higher sunspot activity 10 m will open first followed by the lower bands later during the day. Conditions to India will be good from the

afternoon till after sunset. During the late afternoons conditions will be good towards Europe. Fair contacts with the USA are possible during the evenings. Contacts with Australia are possible on 15 m at sunrise and 20 m after sunset. Openings to Brazil and South America are possible during the afternoons. With the good 15 and 20 m openings 17 m and 12 m will also be full of surprises.

For the CW and digital enthusiasts 30 m may be very rewarding with openings to many parts of the world.

Locally is 40 m the work horse for contacts around the country with 20- and 30 m also being very useful for contacts over the longer distances. 80 m will be best during the early mornings and late afternoons as well as over the shorter distances.

80 m is the frequency of choice during the evenings.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

30 April - West Rand Amateur Radio Club flea market from 12:00 CAT. 7 May - RTD in Cape Town. 18 June - Programming in Windows course in Gauteng. Book at www.sarl.org.za.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 750 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'ARMI' and follow the links. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 18:30 CAT on 3 230 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by George, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening, 73.
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*IntruderWatch - OTHR (Over the Horizon Radar) 80m
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*Jock White Field Day Results Delayed
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*VHF/UHF/SHF Contest Notes
*Housekeeping
*Attachment(s) for Branches: infoline-228.doc

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Ukrainian Radio Amateurs Lose Many Frequencies and Bands
Dear friends,

11.03.2011

Ukrainian government has confirmed the new rules for radioamateurs. We lost
following frequencies: 10100-10150 kHz, 14250-14350 kHz, 1240-1300MHz,
2300-2450 MHz, 5670-5850 MHz, 10-10,1GHz, 10,15-10,5GHZ, 24,05-24,25GHz,
76-77,5GHz , 78-81GHz, 122,25 -123,0GHz , 134-136GHz, 136-141GHz,
241-248GHz, 248-250GHz.

Video: HamRadio Must Die
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7lA93UBDOWk

Best regards,
Alexander, uy0ll

Website of ukrainian regulator in communication
http://www.nkrz.gov.ua/uk/activities/news/1299057512/

Website of Ukrainian Amateur Radio League (UARL)
http://uarl.org.ua

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NZART AWARDS
The NZART Awards Manager will be away from 9 May-2011 till the end of
June-2011.

If you are going to send an application for an award please have it to me
before the end of April. You are welcome to send it to my Call Book address.
(You will get a quicker response if you do.)Otherwise hold the application
until the end of June.

73

Alan Chapman ZL3GX

NZART and IARU Region 3 Awards Manager

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>From The Business Manager ZL2DL
Debby says...
The following has been received from the Radio Spectrum Management, in
regard to the 'E', 'X' and 'Y' call signs.

We will soon be releasing "E, X and Y callsigns" to the amateur service. A
new edition of PIB 46 permitting the use of the new series will be emailed
to all ARX's in June. The effective time and date from which you are
permitted to allocate the new series is:

Noon, Wednesday 22 June 2011

Until then, ARX's are not permitted to allocate "E, X and Y callsigns". For
the purposes of ensuring allocations are not made in SMART before this,
current NZ time can be found at:
http://www.rsm.govt.nz/cms/tools-and-services/contact-us

Please read PIB 46 carefully, particularly the callsign appendix. On 22 June
SMART will process ARX allocations on a "first come, first, served" basis.

While the current edition of PIB 46 does not permit the allocation of these
series, a small number of "E" callsigns have already been issued in error.
Withdrawing these now would cause unnecessary costs, especially in the
context of QSL cards etc, so they will be permitted to remain.

Regards

Wayne Wedderspoon | Senior Advisor | Radio Spectrum Management

Break In...Due to the Christchurch earthquake on the 22nd February, Break In has been delayed. I understand from the mailing contractors that the magazine was dispatched on Tuesday 12th April. If you do not receive your copy in the next few days, please contact me at HQ.

I am presently on leave until the 26th April, however leave a message or send me an e-mail and I will rectify the problem if possible.

Talk soon...Debby ZL2DL

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FMTAG Notes For Infoline-228
Please click HERE to go to the FMTAG Applications Being Processed

FMTAG at VHF Convention 2011 (23-24 April)
FMTAG has been invited to attend the Forum session of VHF Convention 2011, at Easter, next weekend. Details of VHF Convention can be found elsewhere in this issue of HQ Infoline.

Proposals
1.. Branch 74 Wellington VHF has applied to increase the power of, and add the P25 digital mode to, its Colonial Knob 7075 Voice and Data 2-metre repeater, located at Topo50 map reference BP31 513.49 426.17. An Engineering Evaluation, in accordance with the MED's Radio Licence Certification Rules (PIB38), shows that the transmit frequency can remain on 147.075 MHz and the receive frequency can remain on 147.675 MHz, and that there will be no interference to other stations.
Final Recommendations to NZART Council
Published on the NZART website, and in NZART HQ Infoline for the information of, and inviting comments from, NZART members.

At its April 2011 meeting, NZART Council approved the following Final Recommendations.

1.. Branch 83 Raglan has applied for a 2 metre Voice and Data repeater at Ward Street, Topo50 map reference BD33 007.88 154.66. The transmit frequency will be 145.350 MHz and the receive frequency will be 144.750 MHz. An Engineering Evaluation, in accordance with the MED's Radio Licence Certification Rules (PIB38), shows that there will be no interference to other stations.
2.. Branch 83 Raglan has applied for a 70 centimetre Voice and Data repeater at Ward Street, Topo50 map reference BD33 007.88 154.66. The transmit frequency will be 439.425 MHz and the receive frequency will be 434.425 MHz. An Engineering Evaluation, in accordance with the MED's Radio Licence Certification Rules (PIB38), shows that there will be no interference to other stations.
3.. Branch 74 Wellington VHF has applied to relocate its 2 metre Bulletin Board to Ngaio Reservoir, Topo50 map reference BQ31 494.92 316.02. An Engineering Evaluation, in accordance with the MED's Radio Licence

Certification Rules (PIB38), shows that the transmit frequency can remain on 146.025 MHz and the receive frequency can remain on 146.625 MHz, and that there will be no interference to other stations.
4.. Branch 74 Wellington VHF has applied to relocate its 70 centimetre Bulletin Board to Ngaio Reservoir, Topo50 map reference BQ31 494.92 316.02. An Engineering Evaluation, in accordance with the MED's Radio Licence Certification Rules (PIB38), shows that the transmit frequency can remain on 434.875 MHz and the receive frequency can remain on 439.875 MHz, and that there will be no interference to other stations.
5.. Branch 74 Wellington VHF has applied to change the frequency of the 70 centimetre repeater located at Ngaio Reservoir, Topo50 map reference BQ31 494.92 316.02. The transmit frequency will be 434.550 MHz and the receive frequency will be 439.550 MHz. An Engineering Evaluation, in accordance with the MED's Radio Licence Certification Rules (PIB38), shows that there will be no interference to other stations.
Comments and Applications
Please send your comments and suggestions on the above matters and recommendations, and on any other FMTAG matters, by e-mail to: fmtag@nzart.org.nz

Applications for repeaters, beacons, digipeaters, point-to-point links, and so on, should be made on the latest version of FMTAG Form 10. The latest versions of FMTAG Form 10, and the explanatory Form 10A, are available on the NZART web site:
http://www.nzart.org.nz/nzart/fmtag/

Completed forms should be sent by e-mail to fmtag@nzart.org.nz

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World Amateur Radio Day 2010
Each year on 18 April, radio amateurs celebrate World Amateur Radio Day. On that day in 1925 the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) was founded. In 2010, the theme of the event is "Amateur Radio: Combining communication experience with modern digital techniques."

See more at:
http://www.iaru.org/worldAmRadioDay.html

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World Amateur Radio Day - 18th April 2011 -
Special Event Station ZL2WARD
BRANCH 74

Listen for Special Event Station ZL2WARD on the National System on Monday the 18th of April 2011.

Email the details of your contact with ZL2WARD and receive a QSL card, to: ZL2WA@clear.net.nz

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Change of IARU Region 3 Secretary
Dear Colleagues

The Directors of IARU Region 3 very much regret to announce the resignation for personal reasons of Seiichi (Jay) Oka JA1TRC as Secretary of IARU Region 3 from 9 March 2011.

Jay became Assistant Secretary to Keigo Komuro JA1KAB then the IARU Region 3 Secretary in September 1998 and on Keigo?s resignation, Secretary in June 2009.

The Directors have formally recorded their acknowledgement of his contribution to amateur radio and IARU Region 3 over so very many years.

As required by clause 41 of its Constitution, the Directors have appointed Katsumi (Ken) Yamamoto JA1CJP as Secretary of IARU Region 3 on the nomination of JARL.

In nominating Ken as Secretary, JARL President Shozo Hara JA1AN reaffirmed his society?s strong and continuing support of IARU Region 3 and its secretary, at the same time stressing the importance of the regional secretary?s independence from any member society.

Ken holds a Bachelor of Science degree in electronics engineering and worked for KDD, now KDDI, in the satellite communications field for many years.

During that time he worked in many countries, including five years stationed in the United Kingdom working with the International Maritime Satellite Organisation.

He retired from KDDI in 2002.

Ken is currently head of the JARL International Section on a part time basis.

He was first licensed as a radio amateur in 1967 and today continues to have an active interest in DX and contests.

He was a member of the Japanese delegation representing the amateur service to the recently concluded ITU Conference Preparatory Meeting for WRC 2012.

I am very confident that Ken will make a significant contribution to IARU Region 3 and I am delighted that he has accepted this appointment.

Sincerely
Michael Owen VK3KI
Chairman
IARU Region 3

Thanks to Peter ZL2SJ

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DX Code of Conduct Update
The DX Code of Conduct can be found here:http://dx-code.org/

Update 2011-04-09

We have received over 12,700 unique visitors to our website. This is a significant accomplishment given that we have now been "in business" for just a year and our budget is zero. Over 80% of the visitors are NOT from the U.S.A. so we are achieving our goal of having this be a truly universal, international movement.

We have added more clubs and more DXpeditions who endorse the Code. Feedback from some DXpeditions suggests that we are making good progress.

We have recently developed a new logo. We should have done this a year ago but getting it translated into over 30 languages seemed more important at that time. So here it is.

I hope each of you will put this on your website or QRZ.COM page and use it as a link. Ideally, every DXer, particularly the ones who NEED to align their operating practices with the Code, will see it and realize how strong the support is.

To that end, it is incumbent on each of you to carry this message

1.. to your HF operator friends, particularly DXers,
2.. to your club, especially if it is a DX club,
3.. to your national society and encourage them to send information about the Code to their memberships and to post the logo at their society website
Get EVERYONE to put the logo up on the web so we can increase our visibility.

We have a Power Point that is intended for use at Club meetings. It is available with an audio track, or you can narrate it yourself.

Finally, we have a new publication at the website THE NEW DXER'S HANDBOOK by K7AU at http://dx-code.org/newdxer.pdf I think you will find in enjoyable, even if you are a pro. Tell your club about it and make sure that new members get a copy. After all, it's an e-book and it's free.

I want to thank the many who have written encouraging words of support to me. It means a lot to the Committee and I know this project means a lot to you too. I always am delighted to get feedback so keep the e-mails coming. Respond to w6sj@arrl.net

For the DX Code of Conduct Committee

Randy W6SJ

Thanks to John ZL1GWE

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Wide Bandwith Digital Modes on The Major HF Bands -
Comments By ZL2TLD
What is it with the wide-bandwidth digital emissions within the traditionally narrow-bandwith portions of the 20, 30 and 40 m band (amongst others)? PSK31, QRSS, and other modes are going on, yet these automated, unattended stations blat away whenever they please.

Others suggest that it is PACTOR-3 - used by mainly marine-mobile hams for internet email access. The content seems to be encrypted, yet the callsigns are unencrypted. Suggestions are that the (encrypted) content is unlikely to fall within the amateur non-commercial, without pecuniary interest categories, being internet email.

I think that this type of communication is outside the defined bounds of digital communications on the amateur bands, as the content is not clear, and the stations do not appear to listen before transmitting, causing interference to other narrowband digital users.

If this type of communication is deemed to be within the Amateur service, I suggest that these types of BBS or Mailbox systems could be appropriately shifted to the very top 10 or 20 kHz of the 15, 20 and 40 m bands, as the very top ends of these band are quite underused. This could be an appropriate use of the upper end of the bands, encouraging use of the whole band, and discouraging commercial or pirate incursion.

Glenn in Masterton ZL2TLD

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John ZL1GWE Comments:

NZART Monitoring Service Coordinator Replies
There are some experimental work going with DRM transmissions, especially with the Australians on particular transmissions - there are some fixed frequencies..

I will dig out the frequencies and verify what I know.

But they send the identification within the transmission as a picture for instance.

It is legitimate, if it is DRM, sending pictures via Amateur Radio, it just uses a different encoding system.

One can use a software tool called EasyPal (I will check this, verify) I raised this in one of my monthly reports and within Break-in

I actually carried out a dialogue with the Aussies about it.

It would be good if the person could actually provide details on when/date/time and frequencies used, so that we can verify whether they are amateur or commercial.

It goes back to the issue of people reporting what they suspect might be an intruder or not.

When I heard the DRM transmissions for instance on 40M, I immediately investigated and followed up the the people involved and they responded, providing me with additional information on what they were doing - they were Radio Amateurs for instance.

If they provide information to us (intruder watchers) we can investigate and verify plus provide an update or report any commercial systems as intruders

etc.

With no information, we cannot support them - we need their ears and hands to report what they suspect and we can then go out and verify it.

We need their support. I have also previously mentioned EasyPal for DRM digital transmissions within Break-in too.

I have commercial rated software from http://www.wavecom.ch/, to decode and identify these transmissions, if they give us samples or frequencies, so we can capture them live.

John ZL1GWE

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Further Comment From The NZART Monitoring Service Coordinator ZL1GWE
I have done some more research in this area:

A recent RSGB article in April 2011 RADCOM on Data Mode Identification:

The level of data modes in use has grown massively with many sub modes and speeds.

Patrick Lindecker, F6CTE, the author of the popular data mode package. Multipsk, has introduced a robust identifier that is sent as a short burst before each data transmission.

The receiving station detects this, with Multipsk automatically setting itself as soon as the identifier is detected.

The signalling burst is known as the Reed Solomon Identifier (RSID) from the robust error correction scheme it uses.

Through the use of Multipsk it is possible to identify the actual signal and data mode.

Yahoo Digital Radio Group: http://groups.yahoo.com/group/digitalradio/

RSID details http://www.w1hkj.com/RSID_description.html.

I support Glenn's suggestion, it would be a good idea to use some of the wider modes i.e. SSTV digital version and DRM on the higher end of bands to occupy them.

It would also disrupt many of the non-amateur transmissions or intruders we often find.

John ZL1GWE

John has also supplied a list of Digital Communications Modes and Frequencies. See these at:
http://www.nzart.org.nz/info/map-bp/digital-modes-freqs/

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Pirate Alert - ZK5A Bill
ZK5A

7014 kHz, ZK5A Bill, 599 hr still going at 1147z. First spotted 1056z.

Call not listed RSM.

Bill claims to be on Atafu Is (Tokelau), using 70W, GP.

Luke VK3HJ

Any reports appreciated.

John ZL1GWE ms@nzart.org.nz

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IntruderWatch - OTHR (Over the Horizon Radar) 80m
We have never come across Over the Horizon Radar on 80 meters. However any thing is feasible.

With my ears, it sounds very similar to the Stereo Radar system, which has been plaguing the 40 meter band in the CW and digital segments.

Any reports, are as always welcomed - samples would be appreciated, if heard.

John ZL1GWE ms@nzart.org.nz

Sample sound file available on NZART Wesite at:
http://www.nzart.org.nz/assets/ms/2011/2011-04-07-1838z-3556Hz-OTHR.mp3

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The IARU Region 3 Newsletter Headlines
Issue 21 - January to March 2011, Released April 2011
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MS Word version of this newsletter is available at
http://www.iaru-r3.org/news/r3nl-11-04.doc
Acrobat PDF version is also available at
http://www.iaru-r3.org/news/r3nl-11-04.pdf

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Jock White Field Day Results Delayed
The reults for Field day would normally be ready for release by now.

Unfortunately this year four branches have failed to submit logs. This makes my life a lot harder as I have no idea whether or not these stations were valid for branch points. I do not have the time this year to plough through other entries counting contacts made to sort this out.

I have tracked down two of the branches so far and are working on two more.

If you were active as a field station and have not sent in a log, please contact me ASAP at:

zl2tw@nzart.org.nz

Regards
Stuart Watchman
ZL2TW
Jock White Field Day Manager
Stuart Watchman

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>From The VHF-UHF-SHF Contest Manager
A reminder
The time for submitting your Log for the Low Band Contest (50 to 440 MHz) is fast running out. Please send any remaining Logs to:

ZL2WA@clear.net.nz

Our thanks to all those who took part and have already submitted their Logs.

The Next Contest

The next contest is the Hibernation Contest, 50 MHz and up, on Saturday the 11th and Sunday the 12th of June 2011. This is the weekend after NZART Conference. The operating times are: Saturday 1700 to 2300 NZST and Sunday 0700 to 1300 NZST.

All contest logs should be sent, to arrive within two weeks, to:

zl2wa@clear.net.nz

with Contest Log in the subject line.

The Rules are available at:

http://www.vhf.org.nz/VHF-UHF-SHF-ContestRules

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Kiwi Digital Modes Group
2011 VK/ZL RTTY SPRINT CONTEST
The third running of the Kiwi Digital Modes Group RTTY contest will take place in April 2011.

For full rules please see:
http://www.nzart.org.nz/activities/contest-rules/rules-kdmg/

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TC57A Special Event Station From The Battlefields of Gallipoli
Dear OM,

TCSWAT will be once more activating the TC57A special event station from the battlefields of Gallipoli / Gelibolu. We hope to set up the station between 21-25 April 2011. First activated as TC57ALAY in 2007, the special event-commemorative station for the 57th Regiment Martyrs, is active every year at the end of April as TC57A. Special emphasis is on contacts made with VK / ZL stations. QSl via TCSWAT at POB 73 Karakoy,34421 Istanbul TURKIYE or via bureau. Details and photos from previous activities are on the website http://www.tcswat.org

73 de TA1HZ

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New on The Web For April
IARUMS Region 1 report for March 2011

IARU Region 3 Newsletter for JAN-MAR 2011

Stations Licenced For April

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VHF Convention 2011 Provisional Programme - Subject To Change
Tawa College, Duncan Street, Tawa
Theme: Technology Frontiers
FRIDAY 22 APRIL 7075 Repeater Talk In
1600 to 1900 Arrival, Registration and informal get together

1900 Pay as you go dinner at a local Restaurant

SATURDAY 23 APRIL
0800 Arrival and Registration

1000 Flea market (A.K.A. Amateur Radio EXPO) opens

1300 EXPO closes. Convention opens

1310 Keynote speaker

1345 Technical presentation 1 Technology Industry Leader

1425 Technical presentation 2 Project 25 digital voice communication

1500 Afternoon tea

Demonstration of the Ipstar communication system as used by LandSAR

1520 Mobile Rally and Operating Contest

1800 Free

1900 Pay as you go dinner at a local Restaurant

SUNDAY 24 APRIL
0830 Doors open

0900 KiwiSAT project update

1000 Morning tea

1020 Technical presentation 3 Microwave transceiver design

1100 Technical presentation 4 Contesting made easy

1140 Technical presentation 5 UHF power amplifier secrets

1220 Lunch

1300 Construction activity

Please bring soldering iron and small tools such as sidecutters, etc.

1340 Technical presentation 6 Weak signal communication

1420 Technical presentation 7 High speed data and Digital TV

1500 Afternoon tea

1520 Forum

1720 Free

1720 National System Repeater-Trustees-Only Forum. Restricted entry

1830 On-site. Informal evening meal (small additional charge) and
prize-giving

MONDAY 25 APRIL
Convention Venue closed

Technical visits, subject to availability and weather

Depart for home

MORE INFORMATION:
http://www.vhf.org.nz/convention2011

REGISTRATION FORM:
http://www.wallace.gen.nz/VHF_Convention_2011.pdf

APRIL Q-BIT
April Q-Bit will available for collection at the Registration Desk on Friday
and Saturday. Uncollected Q-Bits will be posted after Easter.

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NZART Annual Conference 2011
The NZART CONFERENCE PROMOTION STATION ZL2VH will be operating on 80/40m
from Monday 2nd May until Tuesday 31st May on most evenings.

The proposed approximate frequencies for general announcements will be 3.715 MHz and 7.080 MHz.

The promotional material broadcast will include the venue details, the provisional programme and the registration desk attendance times.

QSL cards will be issued upon request and will be sent via the QSL Bureau or alternatively may be picked up upon arrival at the venue.

Information will be updated as it is released.

Mark ZL2UFI

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Alternative Programme 2011
Saturday 4 June 2011
9.50 am - Board our NCS Bus and travel to Wellington

10.30 am - Tour of Parliament - no cameras or cellphones allowed in here!

11.30 am - Short tour of Old St Pauls Anglican Church

12 noon - Back on our bus and we head for Lunch at Te Papa

12.30 pm - 1.30 pm - Free time at Te Papa to visit exhibits

1.40 pm - Back on Bus to travel to Lambton Quay

1.40 pm - 2.45 pm - Free time shopping along Lambton Quay (including Kirkcaldies)

2.45 pm - Arrive by foot at Cable Car and travel to Kelburn where we will be picked up by the bus and taken to the Wellington Botanical Gardens

3.00 pm - Afternoon Tea at the Picnic Cafe - after afternoon tea feel free to wander around the gardens and the Summer House

4.15 pm - Back on the bus to go back to the Retreat

5.00 pm - Arrive back at Silverstream

Sunday 5 June 2011
10.00 am - Board our Tranzit Bus and enjoy travelling over the scenic Rimutaka Ranges

11.15 am - Arrive at Te Kairanga vineyard for tastings

12.15 pm - Lunch at the Village Cafe Martinborough - a yummy platter along with a glass of wine and coffee. Afterwards enjoy a wander around Martinborough Village

1.30 pm - Wine tastings at Muirlea Rise - a lovely family owned vineyard - enjoy Shawn's humour and lovely reds.

2.30 pm - Depart for Greytown where you will have 45 minutes to wander this historic village which is full of boutique shops and maybe taste some yummy Schoc Chocolate!

3.45 pm - Depart Greytown travelling back over the Rimutakas - stopping on the way back at Stonestead for Devonshire Teas and a visit to the Quiltery.

5.30 pm - Arrive back at Silverstream

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Upcoming Events
1.. Wellington EXPO-11 & VHF Convention 23-April-2011
http://www.nzart.org.nz/activities/events/expo-2011/
2.. UPPER HUTT NZART Conference 2011 04/06-June-2011
http://www.nzart.org.nz/activities/events/2010-upper-hutt-conf/
Contest News
VHF/UHF/SHF Contest
VHF++ Hibernation Contest (1st SAT JUN 2nd if Conf) 11/12-JUN-2011
THE VHF CONTEST RULES (http://www.vhf.org.nz/VHF-UHF-SHF-ContestRules)

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Please think of the environment before printing this e-mail
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Housekeeping
1.. Break-In-Closing Date Reminder: Copy for the MAY/JUNE issue of Break-In-closes on 10-MAY-2011
2.. Copy for Break-In: Copy is welcome in most electronic formats but word.doc files are preferred. Photos and other graphics should be send as separate discrete files (*.jpg preferred); not as embedded pix in the body of the text. Please ensure that suitable descriptive captions/legends are included with your copy.
All received copy will be acknowledged to confirm receipt.
Thank you for your cooperation.
John Walker ZL3IB Editor.
3.. Break-In: Early receipt of copy is much appreciated
4.. Break-In-AREC Column: The close-of-copy date is the 03-MAY-2011 for articles for publication in the AREC COLUMN OF BREAK-IN. Photos, if available, to be on a separate floppy or CD (with captions), posted DIRECTLY TO US. Use Call Book address. All other material can go to e-mail: zl3qr@nzart.org.nz or zl3ov@nzart.org.nz
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Regards, Jamie Pye ZL2NN, Editor zl2nn@nzart.org.nz

399. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1007

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-17 17:43:13 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <562846.48163.qm@smtp103.sbc.mail.bf1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 4689
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1007
Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 1007

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Bulletin No. 1007
BID: $OPDX.1007
April 18, 2011
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

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*** SPECIAL NOTICE FROM THE EDITOR (by KB8NW): There will be NO BULLETIN next week due to the holiday. I will be heading south, to Murfreeboro, Tennesee, to see my daughter for the Easter weekend. However, PLEASE continue to send your DX info to me (I should have InterNet access), and if any special announce are announced, I will probably send it out from there.... 73 and GUD DX de Tedd KB8NW

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 10th-April, through Sunday, 17th-April there were 233 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5V, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FR/j, FS, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, JA, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH8, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S7, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T32, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2V, VP5, VP6, VP8, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZD8, ZD9, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

4K, AZERBAIJAN. Yuris, YL2GM, will be active as 4K3AC between April 25th and May 3rd. Activity will be on all HF bands using 100w and operating CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via his home callsign.

4W6, TIMOR-LESTE (Update to OPDX.1005). Steve, 9M6DXX, has reportedly has been issued the individual callsign 4W6AA for the upcoming September 16-26th, -- 2011 4W6A DXpedition. QSL 4W6AA via M0URX. For more information, please vist: http://www.4w6a.com

6J5, MEXICO (Special Event). Members of the Asociaci&#65533;n de Radio Experimentadores del Estado de Puebla A.C. (AREEPAC) will be active as 6J5M between 0000z May 1st, through 0459z May 6th. Activity is to celebrate the 149th anniversary of the Cinco de Mayo Battle. QSL via XE1AMF. On May 5th, activity will be mainly from "Guadalupe Fort" (Grid Loc.: EK09vb). See pictures on QRZ.com. A special award will be avalable. See details at: http://diploma.puebladx.org

A6, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES. Sergej, UA9B (ex-UA9BI) is now active as A6/UA9B until April 22nd. Activity will be holiday style (as a guest operator of A65BR) and will be on 80-10 meters using mainly CW with some SSB. QSL via his home callsign or by the Bureau via UA9AB.

CR3/CT9, MADEIRA ISLANDS. Operators Diethelm/DJ2YE, Dieter/DJ8DS, Ulrich/DJ9IE, Detlef/DK3QZ, Hans/DL1XW, Kai/DL3HAH and Rein/PA0R will be active as CR3L from Santana, Madeira Island (AF-014) during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 28-29th) as a Multi-? entry. QSL via DJ6QT. Operators will probably be active as CT9/homecall before and after the contest between May 24-30th. Activity will be mainly CW with some SSB. Checkout the CR3L station's Web page at: http://www.cr3l.de

CR6, PORTUGAL (Special Event Cancelled). Members of the Algarve STAR DX Team were expected to be on air as CR6A from "The Submerged Fortress" in the sea near Olhao city in the southern part of Portugal inside the CTFF-07 Natural Park, on April 17th, but the operation was cancelled and delayed until a summer date. Reason for the cancelation was winds were at 50km/h which did not allow travel and landing on the fortress. The team is sorry for situation. However, they were still active on April 17th, as CR6A, but from their activity HQ, on Armona Island DIA (Algarve Islands, AI-04, DIP [Portuguese Islands] AL-04 ST-022 [Isl. Plaque] and CTFF-007.

FS, SAINT MARTIN (Possible PJ7). Pascal, F5JSD, is now active as FS/F5JSD from Saint Martin Island (NA-105) between now and April 21st. He is there on vacation, so activity will be holiday style on 40-10 meters and mainly CW. Look for some possible portable operations from Sint Maarten (NA-105, WLOTA 0711) where he will operate as PJ7/F5JSD. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or LoTW.

GB4, ENGLAND (Special Callsign For Royal Wedding). Operators Chris/M0DOL and Gary/M0NNH will be active as GB4RW on April 29th, to celebrate the Royal Wedding of HRH Prince William of Wales and Miss Catherine Middleton. QSL via address/info on QRZ.com.

GR/MR/2R, UNITED KINGDOM (Special Callsign For Royal Wedding). At the request of the Radio Society of Great Britain (RSGB), Ofcom has issued special temporary prefixes for British amateurs to use with their callsign between April 29th and May 9th, to commemorate the marriage of HRH Prince William of Wales and Miss Catherine Middleton. Look for the amateurs in the United Kingdom (if they choose) to apply the following prefixes - GR, MR and 2R, during this royal event.

HG15, HUNGARY (Special Event). Look for special event station HG15IPA to be active through December 31st. Activity is to celebrate the 15th anniversary jubilee callsign of the International Police Association. The station is expected to be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK31 and SSTV. QSOs with this station are valid for the HA-IPARC Award. QSL via HA3JB. For more information, visit the following Web pages:
http://www.qrz.com/db/hg3ipa
http://www.qrz.com/db/ha3jb

IOTA NEWS.....
EU-108. Members of the GMDX Group (Scotland's DX Association) plan to be active as GB5TI from the Treshnish Isles between April 28th and May 1st. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via MM0BQI, direct or E-mail Bureau requests to:
gb5ti.qsl@gmail.com
They state, "We do not need your card but are happy to send you ours using the methods above. Cards will be printed following our return with first ones being sent out in June. Let's save a tree and the bureau some work!!"

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (April 18-24th)....
Apr 18 HN SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS
Apr 19 HN-LN --------------------
Apr 20 AN BN - Below Normal
Apr 21 AN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Apr 22 AN LN - Low Normal
Apr 23 AN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Apr 24 AN DIS - Disturbed
VDIS - Very Disturbed

GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between 0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between 7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

KP4, PUERTO RICO. The team of the Puerto Rico Field Day Group will be active to commemorate "World Amateur Radio Day" this April 18th, on the same premises where Field Day 2011 is to be, in the Nuevo Gran Parque

Dorado in Dorado, PR. They will be on-the-air- as KP4FD on HF and on SSB after 1600z. QSL via KP4FD, direct, by the Bureau or eQSL.

LOTW USERS CLUSTER SPOTS ONLINE. Tzetzo, LZ2FQ, has provided DXers with a new tool online to only work stations on the air that use "Logbook of The World". The neat feature about this Web page is that you can filter the spots by band and DXCC entity. Give it a look at:
http://www.lotw-online.com

MJ & MU, JERSEY AND GUERNSEY (Channel Island DXpedition). Operators Silvia/EA1AP (YL) and Alberto/EA1SA planned to activate Jersey (EU-013) between June 12-17th, and Guernsey (EU-114) between June 17-21st. The callsigns to be used are MJ/EA1AP, MJ/EA1SA, MU/EA1AP and MU/EA1SA. Look for activity to be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. They plan to participate in the IARU 50 MHz Contest from Guernsey. Suggested frequencies are (+/- QRM):
CW - 3504, 7004, 10104, 18074, 21024, 24894, 28024 and 50103 kHz
SSB - 3780, 7056/7180, 14195, 18145, 21295, 24945, 28495 and 50120 kHz
RTTY - 3580, 7035, 10140, 14080, 18100, 21080, 24920 and 28080 kHz
QSL via their home callsign. For more details, updates and log search, visit the DXpedition Web page at:
http://www.gdgdxc.net/channel_islands/index.php

MX0, ENGLAND (Special Group). Team Thunderbox (M0TBG) is a group of people who enjoy the lighter side of Amateur Radio and will be active once again as MX0TBG between now and April 23rd. The group states, "We all belong to various radio clubs, and come from very different backgrounds in and around the Wiltshire area, coming together several times a year to enjoy the great outdoors through amateur radio." Activity will be on all bands, but the main operation will concentrate on 80/40/20 meters. Visit their Blog page at: http://teamthunderboxactivities.blogspot.com
Also, check out: http://www.youtube.com/user/teamthunderbox

PP0T, TRINDADE ISLAND (Update). Members of the Cantareira DX Group have announced that they will activate Trindade Island (SA-010) as PP0T this month. The group earlier in the week announced that they were going to leave for Trindade on April 18th. However, a few days later their plans were changed. The Brazilian Navy rescheduled their trip to Trindade on the April 25th. They expect to arrive on the island on April 29th. Currently, Junior, PY2ZA, is the only operator listed on the new Trindade Web page at: http://trindade2011.com
David, EB7DX, is listed as the QSL Manager and Webmaster. Sebastian, EA7HEG, is also listed as a Webmaster. Suggested frequencies are as follows:
CW - 1824, 3514, 7014, 10114, 14014, 18084, 21014, 24904 and 28014 kHz
SSB - 1850, 3790, 7065/7185, 14195, 18140, 21285, 24940 and 28475 kHz
BPSK - 1838, 3600, 7035, 10110, 14071, 18100, 21080, 24920 and 28120 kHz
RTTY - 3582, 7038, 10140, 14082, 18102, 21082, 24922 and 28082 khz
6m - 50104/CW, 50140/SSB and 50500/BPSK
All QSOs will be confirmed via LOTW.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated April 17th)

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5P4F via OZ4FF GB0MPA via GW0ANA RG50C via RA4CEO
5W0AR via UA4HOX GX4HRC/A via G3SVK RK0AZC/P via RX0AE
5W0IR via EA1IR HF70GMZ via SP9PTG SI350CP via SM-Bureau
5W0QQ via N7CQQ HG15IPA via HA3JB SQ0MORSE via SP1PBW
5W0X via W9IXX HP1/IZ6BRN via IZ8CLM TK/F8DZY via F8DZY
6W/DL2AWG via DL2AWG IR0IAR via IK0IXI TM26UFT via F6ICG
A25FC via ON4CJK KH6/N0FUX via IK0FUX U5ARTEK/A via UT7UT
AO8WRD via EA4URE KH8/AI5P via AI5P UK8LBZ via RW6HS (direct
only)
EA6/DL7UCX via DL7UCX LZ02WFF via LZ1BJ UP50S via RZ3AHQ
EA8/MM0HST via MM0HST MD/DH7FB via DH7FB UQ50G via UN6QC
EG3VIC via EA3ERE OM2011IHWC via OM0CS UQ50L via UN7LZ
EN50ESF via UT4EK PJ7/K2GSJ via K2GSJ YF1AR via N2OO
(direct/OQRS/
ER4DX via RA4LW (direct) R50SK via RZ3AHQ RSGB Bureau via M0OXO)
FK8DD via LZ1JZ R50YG via RZ3AHQ YU0NS via YU7BPQ

NO8DX/20 QSL STATUS. As of April 17th, all direct QSLs have been answered (including the cards that DID NOT have SASE).

PIRATE ALERT. Phillip, ZL2TZE, informs OPDX that a station signing ZK5A has been operating and is reportedly a PIRATE. Station states that his name is Bill and claims to be on Atafu Island (Tokelau), using 70w and GP. He was heard on 40 meters. This callsign is not listed with RSM. Any reports on this station are appreciated and should be sent to John, ZL1GWE, at: ms@nzart.org.nz

T32TV QSL STATUS. QSL Manager Stan, KH6CG, reports to "please be a bit patient since Tov's new QSL cards are being printed and will be shipped here as soon as possible. Once I receive them, I will start sending them out. Direct preferred, if you want your QSL in a timely fashion. Big delay via Buro." For updates, watch QRZ.com under T32TV.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 9Q50ON, J6/VE3CZF, VK9NN and VU2NKS

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 5R8HL, 5X0CW, 8P6DR, 9Q50ON, FR5ZL, HI3TEJ, IZ5AXA, J5NAR, J8/W9DR, MU0FAL, OX3XR, PJ7E, T6AF, VK4MA, Z22CW and ZL8X

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: NONE REPORTED THIS WEEK!

SILENT KEY. Brian, KP2HC, informs OPDX: "It is with the greatest of broken hearts I inform you of the passing of my wife Ann, KP2YL. Ann passed away at home on April 11th, after a 4 month battle with cancer. Ann loved getting on the air and giving out 'new ones'. Especially on the WARC bands. She loved meeting new people. And she loved hearing from old friends. It's been a thrill for me to share this hobby with her during the past 15 years. Thank you to everyone who made ham radio so enjoyable for her." OPDX and its readers would like to send out our

deepest sympathy to Brian, the friends and family of KP2YL (SK). Her signal/voice on the air will be deeply missed.

SV/A, MOUNT ATHOS (Update to OPDX.1006). Brad Nowak, N8SNM, Southeast Michigan DX Association's (SEMDXA) Treasurer, would like to clarify their position on donations to the Monk Apollo Project. The SEMDXA will not be accepting any donations for the "Monk Apollo Project" due to the sensitive nature of "collecting" funds for the Monk as this is not allowed. SEMDXA has donated the MFJ keyer to the Monastery but not to Monk Apollo himself. Rick, NE8Z, was not able to operate from Mt Athos but planned to spend time training Monk Apollo in using the keyer/reader to better improve chances for many deserving DXer's to work SV/A on CW. For more details on the project, go to: http://live.semdxa.org/
(click the "Monk Apollo Project" button)

T31, CENTRAL KIRIBATI (Update/Delay). The international team of operators planning to be active as T31A from Kanton Island (OC-043) has been delayed for a few days. It was announced on their Web page April 13th: "The boat chartered for sailing to Kanton is delayed and will not arrive in Apia until late the 14th or early 15th, so the departure is delayed until maybe as late as the 16th. The boat captain arrived in Apia by plane. All operators are anxious about the delay as to how it may affect the T31A total operating days and also return flights to home QTHs beginning on May 2nd. Standby for updates." The T31A Web page is available at: http://www.T31A.com
UPDATE JUST BEFORE GOING TO PRINT. Looks like they are enroute to Kanton Island. From the T31A Web page:
April 16th (@ 1535) - BOAT JUST LEFT MARINA.
April 16th (@ 1600) - Boat is in early today Friday morning. Loading equipment off boat now and will load our equipment
today. Expect to leave Apia before 6PM today.

TC57, TURKEY (Special Event). Members of the Turkish group called TCSWAT (Special Wireless Activity Team) will once again activate special event station TC57A from the battlefields of Gallipoli/Gelibolu. They hope to set up the station between April 21-25th. First activated as TC57ALAY in 2007, the special event/commemorative station for the 57th Regiment Martyrs is active every year at the end of April as TC57A. A special emphasis will be made to work VK/ZL stations. QSL via TCSWAT at: POB 73, Karakoy, 34421 Istanbul, TURKEY (or by the Bureau). Details and photos from previous activities are available on the Web site at: http://www.tcswat.org

VK9C, COCOS (KEELING) ISLANDS. Wally, VK6YS, member of the South Pacific Contest Club, will be active as VK9CI from Cocos (Keeling) Island (OC-003) for one week in June. He plans to concentrate on the Digital modes. QSL via VK6YS.

VP8, FALKLAND ISLANDS (Update to OPDX.1006). Iain, M0PCB, who plans to be active as VP8DNA from the RAF Amateur Radio Club Station (VP8FIR/VP8RAF) located at the Mount Pleasant Airport on the Falkland Islands (SA-002), informs OPDX this past week: "Not managed to get on the bands yet. There

is uncertainty on how long I will be here and whether I will get on the air at all this time. Not great news :-(."

VP9, BERMUDA (NA-005). Paul, W4/VP9KF (G4BKI), is once again active as VP9KF from Baileys Bay, Hamilton Parish, between now and April 27th. Activity will only be CW on all bands. QSL via W4/VP9KF: Paul Evans, 6809 River Road, Tampa, FL 33615. Visit his Web page at: http://vp9kf.com/ Please, DO NOT send to the VP9 bureau.

XV4, VIETNAM (IOTA Op). A German team will be active as XV4YY from Phu Quoc Island (AS-128) between April 18-28th. Operators mentioned are Udo/DL2AQI, Ingolf/DL4JS, Sigi/DL8AKI and Rich/DK8YY. Activity will be on all bands and modes using stations with. Special attention will be given to the low bands using the antenna facilities on the allowed site. QSL via DH7WW, direct or by the Bureau. NO eQSLs.

YCTU IN DAYTON (May 19th). Tim, K3LR, reports (edited): "This is the first year for the new Youth focused track at ConTest University (Youth Contest University [YCTU]) in Dayton. The YCTU Dayton will have its own classroom right beside the regular CTU classrooms and will be linked via the Web to other YCTU participants around the world.
Several young operators have signed up to attend in person and present talks at YCTU, but there is room for more to attend. Full scholarships for YCTU/CTU registration have been sponsored and are available for YCTU/CTU participants 25 years old or younger. If you know of a young amateur radio operator who has an interest in contesting, please encourage them to come to YCTU." For more details, visit: http://contestuniversity.com

ZK2, NIUE (Update to OPDX.1002). Chris, GM3WOJ/ZL1CT, announced that he is returning to Niue (OC-040) starting about October 15th, and is hoping to spend at least 2 months there. He states (edited), "I will be at a new QTH, using new antennas on the LF bands to improve results (there is S9 QRN on 160m and 80m from the island's 11kV AC distribution system, over most of the island). I worked nearly 16000 stations in poor conditions during the 2009 ZK2V operation - my target is 40000+ this time - hopefully with better conditions and a longer DXpedition. My friend Keith, GM4YXI/ GM5X is joining me for the first 2 weeks of the DXpedition and is hoping to be QRV as ZK2X in the CQWW DX SSB Contest as a Single-Operator/All-Band entry." Chris suggests to visit the following Web page, which will be updated periodically before the DXpedition, at: http://www.zk2v.com

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE

OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=help>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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via InterNet Mail to: kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org - OR - kb8nw@arrl.net
Information can now be faxed to the following "NEW" phone line at:
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400. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 17th April 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-17 20:00:12 UTC
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Message-ID: <20110417200005.2242F33C27@panix2.panix.com>
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Irish Radio Transmitters Society
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Theory Examination

The next theory examination for the Harmonised Amateur Radio Examinbation Certificate (HAREC) will be held on Thursday, 7 July next at 2.00 p.m. in the ComReg offices in Dublin. The examination may also be held on that day at other centres if warranted by the number of candidates.

Full details, including entry procedure and examination fee, are available at www.irts.ie/exam

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Up-Coming IRTS Contests

1. 2m Counties Contest Monday April 25th 2011. From 2pm till 4pm. Log to be submitted by May 25th.

2. CW Field Day Sat 4th/ Sun 5th June 2011. Log to be submitted by June 5th.

Calling all active VHF and Higher operators we are trying to get the 2010 Squares table finalized on IRTS.ie. So can anyone that was active on the VHF bands last year please send your Square totals or your log and I can work it out for you to EI2GLB /at/ hotmail / dot/.com . To see the squares table go to www.irts.ie and click on vhf/uhf/shf on the right side of the home page.

International Marconi Day

International Marconi Day takes place this year on Saturday 30th April. The Howth Martello Radio Group will be participating once again as an award station using the call-sign EI0MAR.

This is not a contest but there are several nice awards available for working the officially listed stations, each of which has an historic connection with Marconi. The event is organised by the Cornish Amateur Radio Club. For more information please visit the club's website http://crac.g4usb.net/cracblog/

EI0MAR operates from the Martello Tower overlooking the East Pier in Howth. The tower now houses a vintage radio museum. In 1905 the British Post Office carried out wireless telegraphy experiments at the tower in Howth using Marconi equipment.

North Cork Radio Group will be active from the 29th of April through 2nd of May and during International Marconi Day.

The call used will be EI-0-IMD from the Mizen head Signal Station, Goleen in West Cork and the duration will be 24hours. NCRG will also use EI1NC/P for the remainder of the weekend until May 2nd. Members attending are Anthony EI3GAB, Pat EI2GHB, Padraig EI5GEB and Claus EI7JZ although other members may operate in short burst while visiting the station.

South Dublin Radio Club

Earlier this month, SDR moved back to its QTH at Ballyroan Community Centre, Rathfarnham. This means that the club once again has the use of two rooms for its meetings on Tuesday nights. The Community Centre has been extensively refurbished over the past two years.

The first meeting in Ballyroan was attended by a record number of members and visitors, who were treated to a presentation on Amateur Television by Ronnie EI9ED. His presentation covered transmitters and receivers for ATV on a number of bands; those more used to HF antennas were intrigued by the miniature size of the antennas for the Gigahertz bands.

This week's presentation covered antenna analysers. Daniel EI9FHB demonstrated a number of professional and amateur analysers and explained how these can be used to identify antenna faults and to tune antennas.

Next week's presentation at the club will be on digital modes.

Lough Erne Club in Top Three for RSGB Award

There will be a special zest at today's Pearl Anniversary Lough Erne Rally in the SHARE Centre with news that the Club has made it to the top three among top clubs from 13 regions in the UK National Club of the Year competition.

The first, second and third placed award winners will be announced at the RSGB AGM in Derby on Saturday 14th May. Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club has been invited to the awards ceremony where 'first', will get the UK National Trophy and £1,000, 'second' a plaque and £500 and 'third' a plaque and £250. Some one of these awards will go to Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club based in the SHARE Centre County Fermanagh.

At today's rally, Angus Annan MM0CCR, a past RSGB President will present the Regional Award to the Club, which represented Northern

Ireland alongside the top clubs from RSGB's other 12 regions. Earlier, at the IRTS AGM in Limerick, recognising the achievements of this Club's enthusiastic members, its Chairman, Michael Clarke Mi5MTC was presented the magnificent Pat Conway Trophy.

At Wednesday's rally work sharing meeting, when the RSGB letter arrived, Chairman Michael Clarke strongly congratulated his Club's members. These awards were a tribute to their enthusiasm and companionship. Each individually, and all working together had enjoyed and achieved much during 2010. Well done.

Ballymena ARC

Ballymena ARC (GI3FFF) will be participating in the Steam Traction Rally, at Shanes Castle, Antrim from the 1st May till the 2nd May 2011. They will be putting on displays of amateur radio for the public, as well as activating the castle as part of CASHOTA-NI (castles and stately homes on the air-ni). The club will be using callsign GN4KPT, utilising all modes and bands, please feel free to call in if heard. See http://gi3fff.synthasite.com/ or www.cashota-ni.org

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Bangor and District Amateur Radio Society

Bangor and District ARS meet on the 1st Thursday of every month.

At 8pm on Thursday 2nd June 2011 we are holding our annual BBQ at the scout campsite in the Crawfordsburn Country Park.

As always, visitors are most welcome.

More information from Mike GI4XSF on 028 4277 2383, or club website :

http://www.bdars.com

Cork Radio Club

The next monthly meeting of Cork Radio Club will be held on Monday April 25th at 2030 in the Community Centre, Main Street, Carrigtwohill.

Dave Deane EI9FBB, who is EI's only ARRL DXCC Card Checker, will make a presentation on ARRL's Logbook of the World and EQSL.

Final preparations for clubs participation in the following weekends International Marconi Day will also be discussed. The callsign EI5IMD will be activated from Brow Head near Crookhaven in West Cork to celebrate the 110th anniversary of the setting up of Marconi's Wireless Station in 1901. The reception of strong signals from Poldhu in Cornwall at Crookhaven convinced Marconi that bridging the Atlantic by radio was possible. Prior to that it was believed that radio waves

travelled by line of sight only.

Visitors and new members will be very welcome on the night and further information can be had from Jeremy EI5GM on 083-3317710 or Dave EI4BZ on 087-6290574. You can email to info at Cork Radio Club dot com.

DX News

Special calls have been aired over the past two months to celebrate the 20th Anniversary of the Holyland Contest in Israel. The calls are 4X20HC and 4Z20HC and will be QRV till the end of this month. This is a good opportunity for the prefix hunters to get a couple of new ones. QSLs go via 4Z4TL.

Another one for the prefix chasers this week is 4A0IARU which will be active from Mexico where the usual prefix is XE. The station will be QRV from 18 - 24 April and celebrates World Amateur Radio Day on 18 April and the 86th anniversary of the founding of the International Amateur Radio Union.

A group of Brazilian operators are off to the island of Mayotte in the Indian Ocean where they will be heard as TO2FH from 18 - 25 April. They intend being on all bands 160 - 10m with SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK.

The well-known DXer Dov 4Z4DX will be in Nepal signing 9N7DX from now till the end of April. He is accompanied by his XYL Anat who has the call 9N7YL. Activity is planned for 20/15/10/6m using CW, RTTY and PSK31.

Finally a reminder that our own DXer Dave EI9FBB will be QRV later this week from Monaco as 3A/EI9FBB. The days to look out for him are Wednesday, Thursday and Friday (20 - 22 April) mainly in the afternoons.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

401. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 11 - 17 April 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-19 21:30:06 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20110419213001.C49BF33C5C@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4691
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.info

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:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2011 Apr 19 1900 UTC
# Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
# http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
#
# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
11 - 17 April 2011

Solar activity was at low to moderate levels. Low activity occurred
during 11 - 14 April with C-class flares from Regions 1185 (N18,
L=025, class/area Cso/100 on 05 April), 1190 (N13, L=338, class/area
Eki/440 on 16 April), and 1193 (N17, L=266, class/area Eai/430 on 17
April). Activity increased to moderate levels on 15 April due to an
M1/1f flare at 15/1712 UTC from Region 1190 associated with minor
discrete radio emission. Region 1190 showed gradual spot growth
during 12 - 15 April and displayed a beta-gamma magnetic
configuration, then began to gradually decay on 16 April. Region
1193, which also contained a beta-gamma magnetic configuration,
showed gradual spot growth during 13 - 17 April. An Earth-directed
coronal mass ejection was observed early on 15 April, associated
with a filament disappearance from the northeast quadrant late on 14
April. Estimated plane-of-sky velocity was for the CME was 390 km/s,
based on an analysis of SOHO/LASCO coronagraph images. Activity
decreased to low levels during 16 - 17 April with C-class flares
from Regions 1185, 1190, and 1193.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
normal to moderate levels during 11 - 13 April. Fluxes increased to
moderate to high levels during 14 - 16 April, then decreased to
normal to moderate levels during 16 - 17 April.

Geomagnetic activity was at quiet to active levels on 11 April.
Activity increased to quiet to minor storm levels on 12 April with
major storm periods observed at high latitudes. Activity decreased
to quiet to active levels on 13 April with minor to major storm
periods observed at high latitudes. Activity decreased to quiet to
unsettled levels on 14 April. A further decrease to quiet levels at
all latitudes occurred during 15 - 17 April. ACE solar wind
observations indicated the activity during 11 - 13 April was
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associated with a coronal hole high-speed stream (CH HSS). The HSS source was an equatorward extension of the southern polar CH. The CH HSS commenced on 11 April following a negative- to positive-polarity solar sector boundary crossing. Velocities increased during 11 - 12 April, eventually reaching a peak of 674 km/s at 12/1940, then gradually decreased during the rest of the period. Interplanetary magnetic field (IMF) changes associated with the onset of the CH HSS included increased Bt (peak 17 nT at 11/2001 UTC) as well as increased Bz variability with intermittent periods of southward Bz (maximum deflection -9 nT at 12/0525 UTC). The CH HSS began to gradually subside on 13 April.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
20 April - 16 May 2011

Solar activity is expected to be low with C-class flares likely during the period. There will be a chance for moderate activity (isolated M-class flares) during the second half of the period due to the return of previously active regions.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at normal to moderate levels during most of the period. However, high flux levels are expected during 22 - 23 April, 30 April - 03 May, and 11 - 13 May.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be to be at quiet to unsettled levels during 20 - 22 April due to weak coronal hole effects on 20 - 21 April and weak coronal mass ejection effects on 22 April (associated with the Earth-directed CME observed on 15 April). Activity is expected to decrease to quiet levels during 23 - 27 April. Field activity is expected to increase to quiet to active levels during 28 April - 01 May due to recurrent coronal hole effects. Activity is expected to decrease to quiet levels during 02 - 07 May. Activity is expected to increase to quiet to active levels during 08 - 11 May due to recurrent coronal hole effects. Quiet conditions are expected during 12 - 16 May.

402. Re: An Introduction and Refresher On Mark, "I Am A Gay Pagan Draftee Officer" Morgan, KB9RQZ

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-19 23:05:59 UTC
From: punce gotcha <puncegotcha@punce.net>
Message-ID: <Xns9ECCC20B27E82puncegotchapuncenet@198.186.190.126>
Source record: 4692
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,rec.radio.scanner

RHF <rhf-newsgroups@pacbell.net> wrote in news:1187554365.889964.102310
@j4g2000prf.googlegroups.com:

> On Aug 19, 11:13 am, "an old fiend" <kb9rqz@punce.net> wrote:
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> no good indeed goes unpunced
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INDEED!

403. HOT SEXY MASALA VIDEOS AND LOVELY PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-20 02:03:05 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <7fb1281e-dd76-45ed-a471-79c58e69a014@l2g2000prg.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4693

A TO Z INFORMATION SEE IN THIS SITE

http://atwoztopic.blogspot.com/

ALL HOT PHOTOS SUPER SeXY PHOTOS

http://alltoux.blogspot.com/2010/09/hot-lip-kiss-135.html

ALL JOBS SITES FREE SEE

http://jobstwo.blogspot.com/

HOT VIDEOS

http://hotvideotoou.blogspot.com/2011/01/kiss-videos.html

hot lip kiss
http://hotvidos.blogspot.com/2010/07/hot-lip-kiss.html
hot kisses
http://hotvidos.blogspot.com/2010/07/hot-kisses.html
hollywood hot videos
http://hotvidos.blogspot.com/2010/07/hollywood-hot-videos.html
real hot videos
http://hotvidos.blogspot.com/2010/07/real-hot-videos.html
tamil hot videos
http://hotvidos.blogspot.com/2010/07/tamil-hot-videos.html

404. [DXNL] DXNL 1724 (Apr 20, 2011)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-20 21:40:45 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <17712227062.20110420233342@dxhf.darc.de>
Source record: 4694
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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EDITOR'S NOTE: Starting with this issue Enrico (Ric) Stumpf-Siering,DL2VFR, takes over the responsibilty to fill the IOTA column of the DX Newsletter every week. Ric is known to many HAMs as the editor of the DX column in the German HAM magazin CQ DL and for his numerous IOTA activities. Ric, aged 45, is SWL since 1977, on the air since 1982 (ex-Y52TL, -Y23CL) and got his current callsign DL2VFR in 1990. He is an air traffic controller and his QTH is Suestedt, south of Bremen. His interests: DX, IOTA, DXCC, WFF and going on DXpeditions. We wish Ric good luck and much fun with his new job. At the same time we thank Fredy,DE0MST, for making the IOTA part of this bullting for more than four years. Fredy prepared a few reports which will be published in the next weeks. We wish him all the best and he may use the new spare time for DXing or other hobbies.

A6 - UNITED ARAB EMIRATES
Sergej,UA9B (ex-UA9BI), is working as A6/UA9B from the QTH of A65BR until Apr 22. He works in holiday style in CW on 80m-10m and sometimes also in SSB. QSL cards should be sent also via bureau to UA9AB.

HR - HONDURAS
"Wild Bill",N2WB, plans an activity as HR5/N2WB from Apr 20 till May 4. QSLs are managed by N2OO, also via bureau.

T31 - CENTRAL KIRIBATI, OC-043
The T31A team is underway but with delay. Originally they planned to show up from Kanton Island (OC-043) starting on Apr 17 but they were not able to leave Apia (5W) before Apr 16. They need approx. four days for the passage so they might show up on the bands around Apr 21. Keep informed via their DXpeditions website: http://www.T31A.com

TK - CORSICA, EU-014
Tonny,ON1DNF, Jaak,ON4PJA, Joeri,ON7IQ, Jempi,ON7JPS, and Geert,ON7QC, will be QRV as TK4DS from a bungalow in the "San Damiano Camp" (EU-014) from Apr 21-24. Activities are promised in SSB and digital modes on all

HF bands. QSLs should be sent direct to ON4AMM or via bureau to ON4PJA.
Please visit also the homepage of the team at: http://www.tk4ds.be

VP9 - BERMUDA ISLANDS, NA-005
OM Paul,W4/VP9KF (G4BKI), is momentarily active VP9KF from Baileys Bay
in the Hamilton Parish (NA-005) and will stay there until Apr 27. Paul
works only in CW on all bands.
Your QSL cards should be sent to the following address:
W4/VP9KF, Paul Evans, 6809 River Road, Tampa, FL 33615, USA
More information is available at: http://vp9kf.com

3A - MONACO
Dave,3A/EI9FBB, will show up during the afternoons from Apr 20-22.
He did not say on which bands or modes.
All QSOs will be confirmed via LoTW/eQSL. If you want to have a paper
QSL you habe to sent your QSLs "direct only".

4K - AZERBAIJAN
4K3AC will be the callsign of Yuris,YL2GM, between Apr 25 and May 3.
He will work with 100 watts in CW, SSB and RTTY on all HF bands.
QSL cards should be sent via his homecall.

9M2 - WESTERN MALAYSIA
Mirek,VK6DXI, is going to hit the airwaves as 9M8DX/2 from Apr 25-30.
This is a business trip to the capital Kuala Lumpur but Mirek hopes to
make some CW QSOs during his evenings. QSLs also via bureau to SP5UAF.

HUNGARY, SPECIAL EVENT STATION
The special event station HG15IPA is working in CW/SSB/RTTY/PSK31/SSTV
on 160m-10m until the end of the year to celebrate the 15th anniversary
of the International Police Association (IPA). QSL via HA3JB.
More information about the HA-IPARC Award can be found at:
http://www.qrz.com/db/HG15IPA

RUSSIA, SPECIAL EVENT STATION
The special callsign R25CH will be activated from seven districts in
the province Bryansk from Apr 22-29. This is to remember the nuclear
disaster in Chernobyl 25 years ago.
The QSL manager is RW3YC, he confirms also via bureau.
They have also a special award, the rules can be found at:
http://qrz.ru/awards/detail/35.html

TURKEY, SPECIAL EVENT STATION
The "TC Special Wireless Activity Team" is working as TC57A from
Apr 21-25 to remember Battle of Gallipoli back in 1915.
QSL via TA1HZ. See also: http://www.tcswat.org

SILENT KEY: Ann Z. Keegan, KP2YL (ex-W2AZK), XYL of Brian,KP2HC, passed away
in her home on St. Croix on Apr 11.

PIRATE: ZK5A has been spotted on 40m lately and pretends to work with
70 watts and a groundplane, his name is Bill and he claims to be on
Atafu Island (Tokelau). Radio amateurs from New Zealand state this is

a pirate.

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de
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You can download the "World Castles Award" (WCA) and the awards of the
COTA-Russia for free from the internet. Check: http://www.wcagroup.org

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Apr 23/24: SP DX RTTY Contest
Apr 23/24: Helvetia Contest
Apr 25: Germany Contest of the DTC

IOTA collected by Ric,DL2VFR (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
EU-008, GM: MS0KLR is a four man team on an IOTA expedition to Eigg Island
from Apr 26-29. QSL via bureau to MM0KLR or direct to MM0GHM.

EU-016, 9A: The QTH of 9A/S50R will be Lastovo from Apr 25-30.

EU-029, OZ, Sjaelland archipelago: Ben,OZ/DO1BEN, and Barbara,OZ/DO1IQ, will
be active from Lolland Island (DIA SJ-015) working in SSB and digital
modes on 10m-80m from Apr 22-29. QSLs via homecalls (bureau/direct).

OC-227, VK: YL Lyn,VK4SWE/VK4EI, is living on Sweers Island. After putting
up a triband yagi in the last weeks she wants to add a power amplifier
soon. If you are still looking for OC-227 you may profit from her
interests in CW, DX and IOTA.
For more information visit: http://www.qrz.com/db/vk4swe

Lighthouse activities (WLOTA/ARLHS/ILLW)

Francois,ON4LO, is going to activate several lighthouses in SSB on 40m-10m
signing F/ON4LO/p between Apr 22 and Jun 4. QSL via homecall.

Bandspots of the last 7 days

80m
EA6/DL7UCX 3.507 2014Z EU-004, via DL7UCX (B)
SV8/N7RO/p 3.504 2011Z EU-049

40m
LZ1802PLO 7.014 0614Z (B)
SV8/N7RO/p 7.012 2041Z EU-049
5N6/YL2SW 7.079 2313Z via YL2SW

30m
EA6UN 10.119 0628Z (d)

J5UAP 10.124 0729Z via HA3AUI (d)
SV8/N7RO/p 10.108 1953Z EU-049
U5ARTEK/A 10.119 1620Z via UT7UT (B), (L), eQSL
XE2CQ 10.107 0645Z (d)

20m
EA6/DL7UCX 14.007 0956Z EU-004, via DL7UCX (B)
EA8/DL2DXA 14.011 0756Z via DL2DXA (B)
EN50UG 14.028 1715Z via UX5UO (B)
KT5X 14.061 1654Z SOTA PW-020
N4EX/p 14.061 1652Z SOTA WV-001
N7UN/p 14.001 1549Z SOTA W2/EH-003, (L)
P29NI 14.040 1054Z OC-257, via G3KHZ (B)
PJ2/PA7JWC 14.185 2132Z SA-099, via PA7JWC (B), (L)
R50YG 14.023 0953Z via RZ3AHQ
SV8/N7RO/p 14.009 0645Z EU-049
TM26UFT 14.020 1948Z via F6ICG (B), (L)
UK8OAG 14.007 0431Z (d)
VR2UW 14.017 1731Z (B)
W4EON 14.284 1751Z SOTA W4/SH-027
WA2USA/p 14.061 1700Z SOTA WV-001
WH7Z 14.235 0708Z (L), (d)
ZA/F4DTO 14.206 1500Z via F4DTO (B)
4L4TL 14.197 0800Z via ON4CFI (B)
5M2TT 14.285 0743Z via I2YSB (d)
5N6/YL2SW 14.023 2113Z via YL2SW

17m
FM5LD 18.070 2009Z NA-107, (B)
P29NI 18.080 1553Z OC-257, via G3KHZ (B)
6W/DL2AWG 18.105 1810Z RTTY, via DL2AWG (B)
9L5MS 18.089 1638Z via PA3AWW (B)

15m
CO6WD 21.009 1511Z via 8P9NX (B)
HK1R 21.025 1626Z via EA5KB (B)
P49MR 21.270 2035Z via VE3MR
P4/W1HEO 21.040 1650Z via W1HEO (B)
P4/W1HEO 21.260 2047Z via W1HEO (B)
3B8MM 21.028 1727Z via DL6UAA (B)
5M2TT 21.010 1619Z via I2YSB (d)
5M2TT 21.250 0945Z via I2YSB (d)
5N6/YL2SW 21.023 1322Z via YL2SW

12m
KH0/N2NL 24.897 1107Z OC-026, via W2YC (B)
5M2TT 24.891 1609Z via I2YSB (d)
7Q7BP 24.896 1734Z via G3MRC (B), (L)

10m
J5UAP 28.028 1623Z via HA5AUI (d)
PY2HW 28.480 2008Z (B)

TM26UFT 28.020 1934Z via F6ICG (B), (L)
VU2SMN 28.490 1427Z (B)
XV2RZ 28.009 0846Z via XV7MDY (d)
5N6/YL2SW 28.025 1529Z via YL2SW
5N7M 28.003 1647Z via OM3CGN (B)
5V7CC 28.480 0916Z via DL9MBI (B)
8P9AA 28.012 2000Z via VE3DZ (B)
9L5MS 28.051 1512Z via PA3AWW (B)

* = new QSL manager
(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(L) = LoTW
(r) = bureau QSL via e-mail request

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

20Apr-22Apr 3A/EI9FBB 1724 *
-Dec 3Y8XSA 1700/1717
18Apr-24Apr 4A0IARU 1723
25Apr-03May 4K3AC 1724 *
-25Oct 5B50J 1700
-28Apr 5V7CC 1723
-08Jun 5X1VJ 1721
-Apr/12 5Z4RH ? 1674
-31Dec 9A11P 1723
25Apr-30Apr 9A/S50R 1724 *
-Sep 9J2KK 1682
-Apr 9M2MRS 1697
NOW 9M6/KM9D 1699
25Apr-30Apr 9M8DX/2 1724 *
13Apr-30Apr 9N7DX & 9N7YL 1723
SOON 9Q1EK 1669
-Nov 9Q6CC 1699

-22Apr A6/UA9B 1724 *
-Aug A92IO 1663
20Apr-22Apr AH0CD/KH2 1723
-31Dec BP100 1684
-31Dec BV100 1684
-01May CN2PV 1714
-31Dec CW5RV 1711
-May D2AK 1675
-22Apr D2QR 1675
-31Aug DL20Y2DM 1700
22Apr-04Jun F/ON4LO/p 1724 *
15Apr-27Apr FJ/OH2YL 1723
06Apr-21Apr FM/F6ARC 1722
-Aug FO8RZ 1636

-Jul/12 FR8NE 1710
-21Apr FS/F5JSD 1723

-31Dec HB60LU 1711
-31Dec HG15IPA 1724 *
01Jan-31Dec HG200LST 1708
-30Jun HG2011A 1713
-05Jun HI3/KL7JR 1717/1721
-May HR5/F2JD 1718
20Apr-04May HR5/N2WB 1724 *
01Jan-31Dec IA7MM 1708
02Apr-15May II1ECO 1722
01Jan-31Dec II1ITA.. 1708
01Mar-30Sep IO4UI 1717
-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul/12 J28RO 1683
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
POSTPONED KH5 1674/1705
-31Dec LA200D 1713
-31Dec LZ85R 1721
26Apr-29Apr MS0KLR 1724 *

May & Aug OL100VP 1721
Jun OL1911VP 1721
Apr & Jul OL2011VP 1721
22Apr-29Apr OZ/DO1BEN.. 1724 *
-Sep P29CW 1713
02Apr-27Apr P29VCX.. 1721
01Jan-31Dec PA30.. 1708
15Apr-22Apr PJ2/PA7JWC.. 1723
22Apr-29Apr R25CH 1724 *
-Dec RI1ANC 1708
16Apr-23Apr SM7DAY/p 1723
21Apr-28Apr T31A 1723/1724 *
2010 -May T6JC & T6TL 1695
23Apr-25Apr T88VU 1723
21Apr-25Apr TC57A 1724 *
21Apr-24Apr TK4DS 1724 *
10Apr-24Apr TM26UFT 1723
18Apr-25Apr TO2FH (FH) 1723
09Apr-22Apr TO2Z (FR) 1722

17Apr-20Apr VK4LDX/p 1723
-Mar/12 VK0KEV (Macq) 1700/1701
23Mar-20Apr VP5/W5CW 1720
-27Apr VP9KF 1724 *
NOW XT2RJA 1712
20Apr-25Apr XV4LC 1722
18Apr-30Apr XV4YY 1723
-Sep ZD9GI 1691
-31Dec ZL50GH 1711

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

A25FC via ON4CJK (B)
AO8WRD via EA4URE (B)
EA6/DL7UCX via DL7UCX (B)
EA8/MM0HST via MM0HST nur eQSL
HG15IPA via HA3JB (d)
HP1/IZ6BRN via IZ8CLM (B)
II3HRT via IZ3JHP (B)
U5ARTEK/A via UT7UT (B), (L), eQSL
UK8LBZ via RW6HS (d)
UP50F via UN7FW
UP50S via RZ3AHQ
UQ50G via UN6QC (B), (L), eQSL
UQ50L via UN7LZ (B)
4D69DM via DU1IVT (L), eQSL
5P4F via OZ4FF (B)
5W0AR via UA4HOX
5W0IR via EA1IR (only April 2011)
5W0QQ via N7CQQ (B)
5W0X via W9IXX (B)
6W/DL2AWG via DL2AWG (B)

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QSLs arrived direct: A92GE, E21EJC, PJ4/K2NG

QSLs arrived bureau: A6/DL3YM, A92IO (EI3IO), CT9/DL1DSN (AF-014),
CU5CQ (EU-175, PA2JD), DA0HEL (EU-127),
DF4UM/p (EU-047), DH8WLA/p (EU-057), DL4FO/p EU-047),
F5RXL/p (EU-058), FH/G3TXF (AF-017), FJ/G3TXF (NA-146),
FM/F2VX (NA-107, F6EXV), J88XF (NA-025, G3TXF),
HB0/DG5NFF, VO1TA (NA-027), XV3RRC (AS-157, RZ3EC),
YI9PT (N4XP), YJ0MM (OC-035, 9A8MM), YS1G (G3TXF),
ZX8C (SA-060,PT2OP), 3B9/G3TXF (AF-017), 5I3A (UA3DJY),
5R8GZ (AF-013, G3SWH), 6Y8XF (NA-097, G3TXF),
9J2FM (JA4ATV), 9Q1NT (ON5NT), 9U2T (ON4LN)

QSLs via LoTW: BG9TX, CN2MR, CT9/OH2OT, CU4/CT1FMX, DA2MORSE,
DL/ON4UP/p, EA6BH, ES1/IZ2DPX, F/IK4ROJ, F/ON4UP/p,
FJ/VE3EY, K4O, KH0/KB9LQG, LN3Z, LU5CAB, LU6FOV,
MD/DL7URH, MU0FAL, OA6/OE3NHW, ON4UP/p, PJ2MI,
PJ2/DF7ZS, PJ2/DL5RDO, PJ2/K2NV

ANZA DX NET

Lindsay,VK3WM, boss of the Australia, New Zealand and Africa DX Net (ANZA) writes that the net operation takes place on 20m on 14183 kHz starting every day at 0515 UTC. Every saturday they meet also on 21205 kHz starting at 0445 UTC. The net controllers are John,VK4LJ, Morris,ZL1ANF, Col,VK4CC, Jamie,NH7U, Lindsay,VK3WM, Ray,VK4NH, Rob,ZL1RD, and Alan,VK3HGN.
For more information click on: http://anzadx.net

TCSWAT Award winners:

The "TC Special Wireless Activity Team" (TCSWAT) announces the award winners of the World Universities Congress (WUC) and the Sile Lighthouse Awards (TC150SLH). Congratulations go to:

WUC

Gold: DL1BFR, DL1MDU, HB9ELE, IK2IQD, YT3PDT
Silver: DH1BM, DK3GG, DK9QD, DL1NAX, DL2NAI, ES1IP, G3OCA, IW1QEA, OK1APV, OZ3FS
Bronze: DD3ZT, DF1IAQ, DK2NG, DL3SUG, DL4RAT, DL5DBY, F5IDJ, IN3QCI, IZ1JKH S57YK

TC150SLH

Gold: DL1HRN, DK9QD, OK2PAY
Silver: DL5ML, EA5HT, EW1IP, RA4UF, TA1BM, UA3GX
Bronze: DL1MDU, DL1NAX, DL7BA, ES1IP, IZ8DBJ, RU4UR, UA4NX

Many thanks for contributing to this issue of the DXNL are going to:
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http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxmb/2011

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http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxnl

405. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-20 23:18:30 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <14c7ad55-2315-4b71-b2d9-99ac4edcc0d5@cu4g2000vbb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4695
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Apr 19, 7:05 pm, punce gotcha <puncegot...@punce.net> wrote:
> RHF <rhf-newsgro...@pacbell.net> wrote in news:1187554365.889964.102310
> @j4g2000prf.googlegroups.com:
>
> > On Aug 19, 11:13 am, "an old fiend" <kb9...@punce.net> wrote:
>
> > > no good indeed goes unpunced
>
> INDEED!

406. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-20 23:23:32 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <27cd2eb4-e2b5-484c-a79c-b5932a9a79f3@s3g2000vbf.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4696

On Apr 19, 10:03 pm, 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdg...@gmail.com> wrote:
> A TO Z INFORMATION SEE IN THIS SITE
>
> http://atwoztopic.

can the spam

407. [Vk1wia-news] WIA News, Text Edition

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-21 09:02:57 UTC
From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
Message-ID: <89ac738f-3c08-4c5c-849e-e270e533e163@smxsrv01.vintek.net>
Source record: 4697
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2011-04-24.mp3
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WIA PRESIDENT SPEAKS

In my Comment published in the April issue of the WIA's magazine, Amateur Radio, I discussed the fact that a Freedom of Information request had revealed that the ACMA did not have any policies in respect of the transmitting equipment authorized to be possessed by an amateur or in relation to the inspection of amateur stations, and set out the WIA's view of what would be appropriate policies.

Since then, with WIA Director Peter Young, we met with senior ACMA staff who included Mark Loney, Executive Manager, Operations Branch and staff from the Compliance Operations, Field Operations and Industry Partnership areas.

At the meeting the WIA's concerns regarding the station inspection program and the legislative basis for some of the outcomes of individual inspections were presented. The ACMA advised that the inspection program was undertaken as a proactive measure to combat interference issues, as well as educate and generate awareness among the amateur community of their responsibilities.

The WIA has now been advised by the ACMA that its contribution is appreciated and that the ACMA is keen to continue to work with the WIA on these matters.

We are told that the ACMA intends to review the station inspection program in light of our concerns and the information gathered from the visits to date.

The ACMA points out that the matters raised from the station inspection program are to be distinguished from station inspections undertaken as part of necessary enquiries resulting from a complaint of interference or an investigation where there are reasonable grounds to suspect there has been a contravention of the Act.

The WIA welcomes the opportunity to work with the ACMA to develop workable solution to a number of legitimate concerns.

WIA National Field Day,

A brief summary of what occurred on the day:

The Hills Amateur Radio Group, Western Australia, had a successful day at Stirk Park, Kalamunda. They were joined by representatives from the Scouts, Ham College and the WIA.

Bill Rose VK6WJ reports that apart from gaining potential new recruits to amateur radio, a few drop-outs have had their interest rekindled. Visitors often mentioned they were at Stirk Park as a result of media coverage.

The Central Queensland Amateur Radio Association, the newest in Australia, set up at both the Mount Morgan Range and in the Bunning's Warehouse car park in North Rockhampton. It had a range of visitors, and relied upon battery power with solar back-ups.

Also at Bunning's was the Elizabeth Amateur Radio Club at Parafield, a multi-operator affair using field equipment with independent power.

The North East Radio Club of Adelaide set up its station and exhibit at the Golden Grove Shopping centre. President Quick VK5ATQ reports a reasonable amount of passing customers and a great day for club members gained practice of operating portable.

So much of a good time was had they'll be back on Anzac Day, Monday 25th to do it again.

The Whyalla Amateur Radio Club participated with Port Augusta club members along with other local radio operators setting up their portable stations in Gladstone Square, right in the city centre of Port Augusta.

A permit was issued which included use of a 10-metre flag pole, a point for the off-centre feed dipole cut for 80m and 40m. Plenty of contacts were to be had along with about 30 visitors.

The Redcliffe & Districts Radio Club set up a couple of tables outside of K-mart at the Kippa Ring Shopping Centre. Although a number of good inquiries were received, the club and the location are under review for next year.

The Cradle Coast Amateur Radio Club took to Hiscutt Park, Penguin. Quite a few members of the public saw what they were doing and asked sensible questions, while the Secretary Dave Cleland VK7DC reported the logbook included a few DX stations and most of the Australian contacts were made on the HF bands.

The Townsville Amateur Radio Club was on The Strand right alongside the main walkway. Richard Goodhew VK4FRJG reports that nine operators used the portable station and proved to be an interest the passing pedestrian traffic.

The Darwin Amateur Radio Club display was at the Rapid Creek Business Village Sunday markets. As Spud said "We arranged with the markets manager Costa for a good position with outside access so we could erect some antennas.

What a great day, lots of people, lots of great food, coupled with lots of interest shown in our display.

Alan VK8AB brought along his computer and wireless Internet adaptor to give us a fairly noise free HF set-up remoted from home. Much better than all the electrical noise at the shopping centre.

Myself, Spud VK8ZWM and Peter VK8HPB brought along our VHF and UHF equipment and antennas so we had HF, VHF, UHF as well as D Star operational. Quite a few contacts were had with other sites and operators around the country via IRLP and two into ZL.

We had 13 good enquiries and quite a few others showing some interest. We gave out lots of handouts and information about the foundation licence as well as what is needed for the standard and advanced. Let's see what comes of the enquiries. We have already had more than 20 successful examinations in the last year.

In all, a far more successful exercise than last years NFD.

Winners last year, Amateur Radio Victoria, stuck with its proven success at the Point Gellibrand Heritage Coastal Park. The day can be summed up as, greater activity and a more enjoyable experience.

The Eastern and Mountain District Radio Club tried something new, setting up outside the Jaycar electronic shop at Mulgrave.

Richard Holmes VK3XTD as a visitor was most impressed by what the public had to read, see and hear. The venue chosen was one of the busiest to show off from a marquee both HF, VHF, UHF and D-STAR. Outside was foxhunting, mobile operation and ATV on display.

In fact Richard VK3XTD found it difficult to identify a major part of the hobby not adequately represented.

The EMDRC had a second station at Lilydale Park. John Fisher VK3DQ reports one of the earlier visitors was Councillor Tim Hennnan from Billanock Ward. He popped in to have a look at what amateur radio was all about.

A number of calling CQ leaflets and a flyer about the club was also readily handed out. A large delta loop antenna was the mainstay of the days HF operations.

In contrast the weather was not good at Port Macquarie, leading to the cancellation of outdoor activity by the Oxley Region Amateur Radio Club. However President Henry Lundell VK2ZHE reports that members checked out other venues before converting to home stations.

Well there's always next year and certainly there will be another public relations for amateur radio event held in 2012

FROM ANDERSSON HOUSE THE WEEKLY WI A DIRECTORS SPOT.

WIA National Monitoring System

This is Peter Young VK3MV, WIA Director and WIA Monitoring System Coordinator. The WIA Monitoring System is an important activity that detects and reports unauthorised emissions in our primary HF bands. These are known as intruders.

In the year 2010, a small group of amateurs provided 2016 detection reports of intruders. These reports are collated and passed to the Australian spectrum regulator, the Australian Communications and Media Authority (ACMA) each month. Due to the iterant nature of some intruders, the ACMA may have difficulty in determining which ITU member administration is responsible for these intrusions.

The WIA monitoring arrangements are part of the International Amateur Radio Union monitoring system, and along with other member societies intruder reports are collated by regional coordinators and posted on the respective IARU regional websites each month.

This system of reporting is a very important activity for without regular reports to spectrum regulators of intruders and there removal, our HF bands would progressively be taken over by other services.

Want to know more information?

http://wia.org.au has information under the "Members" tab, where the latest reports from Australia and other IARU Regions are provided.

There is an excellent monitoring handbook from Region 1 that provides technical information on how to identify various intruder emissions.

There is also an online reporting form as well as an XL spread sheet template.

Help protect of HF Bands - The WIA needs more volunteer reporters.

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

Radcom 2011

The ACMA's fifth conference on spectrum management RadComms2011 will be held at Sydney on 26 and 27 May.

The two day conference presents an exciting opportunity to hear the latest spectrum developments, participate in open forums and exchange ideas with radiocommunications professionals from across industry and government.

Topics to be covered will include emergency services' response to natural disasters, mobile telephony issues, digital radio, long term evolution (LTE) and emerging technologies and the ACMA's forthcoming review of the

900 MHz band.

http://engage.acma.gov.au/radcomms/

(vk7wi news)

VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news

The Hornsby and Districts Amateur Radio Club will once again be activating VK2IMD for International Marconi Day. This will be on the UTC Day of Saturday 30 April, meaning we will be on air from 10:00am Sydney time on Saturday until 10:00am on Sunday. The club will be operating on a range of HF frequencies during this period. The HADARC activation is because Ernest Fisk received the first direct radio message from Britain to Australia, sent by Marconi from his station in North Wales, at the Fisk home in Wahroonga, close to Hornsby. The house, but sadly not its antennas, remain there today, not far from Wahroonga Park.

Searching Facebook for VK2IMD should find an event page for this event.

HADARC is also pleased to announce that both candidates at it's recent exam sessions were successful, one entering the hobby at Standard level, the other at Foundation level. If you also wish to study for a licence or take an exam; or know someone who does, please contact the club via the form at hadarc.org.au

HADARC: http://www.hadarc.org.au/

(Julian Sortland, VK2YJS. Publicity Officer, Hornsby / Districts AR Club.)

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/
VKC Roundup http://www.police

A Victorian man threatened to kill police officers and broadcast their home addresses over a police communications radio channel, the Ballarat Magistrates Court was told this week.

Charged with multiple offences, including knowingly interfering with police radio communications and resisting arrest the court was told how the accused (now sentenced) obtained codes specific to the Region West Division 3 police channel and began broadcasting, causing severe disruption and interference to police operations.

The transmitter is alleged to have been purchased on eBay and the codes to breach the police communications radio channel were obtained from the internet.

Melbourne's City Council will use high-tech underground sensors to detect motorists who overstay their park by just minutes.
A trial of new in-ground sensor technology showed almost one in five

drivers overstay their time period.

The technology will alert parking inspectors seconds after a metre expires and will catch an additional 50,000 cars per year..

VK4 - QNEWS
web service local audio news:- www.wiaq.com/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
local news email qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
VKR Roundup http://www.police.qld.gov.au/News+and+Alerts/Media+Releases/

The Brisbane to Gladstone Yacht Race leaves Shorncliffe Good Friday. The first Brisbane to Gladstone Yacht Race held 1949 and saw just seven vessels start, two only which carried radios while Brisbane's Homing Pigeon Club supplied pigeons to the others for position reporting!

Each yacht issued with birds was to release two each day.

The first person to finish that first race? Doug Perrins on "Hoana."

Welcome to QNews from VK4WIA. I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP, and I've been thinking.

A few years ago the story went around that use of two-way radios near petrol pumps could cause ignition and explosion. It was common for service stations to decorate their forecourts with signs banning the use of radio transmitters and mobile phones whilst disposing of available cash into the fuel tank.

In March, the international radio company Thales announced the approval of their first responder hand held radio - the intrinsically safe Liberty model.

http://www.thalesliberty.com/about_liberty.asp

This nifty h/t can be used on 2m and 70cm by amateurs but is designed to cover emergency frequencies in vhf hi-band, uhf and 700MHz and 800MHz segments. The real importance is that apart from its capacity to communicate with different networks is that it can be used in explosive atmospheres. i.e. where there is a real rather than imagined threat of explosion.

What also makes this radio of interest to the amateur fraternity is that it packs all this capacity into a small package by using the coming standard of software defined radio technology. Next time you read an article about the SDR in your favourite amateur radio magazine, remember commercially that this evolution is giving power to military and first response networks around the world.

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think....how about you?

CLUBBING - TO SUPPLY NEWS ITEMS:-
email qnews@wia.org.au

BARC
http://www.qsl.net/vk4ba

or, by E-mail to vk4ba@qsl.net

This is Stuart, VK4MSL with news from Brisbane Amateur Radio Club Incorporated.

BARCfest is just around the corner. When exactly? 7th of May... that's less than 3 weeks. Where? Mt. Gravatt Showgrounds, 1600 Logan Road Upper Mt. Gravatt. Admission is $7.00

Check out the latest in gear from one of the commercial sellers, pick up a bargain, explore the displays of vintage and military radios, perhaps procure that rare component you've been seeking for months, or catch up with old mates at Caf&#65533; de BARC.

Want to sell something? Book a table, contact Les VK4SO on 3343 7247 or vk4so@wia.org.au.

And some news for members or visitors: This year, Good Friday fell on the fourth Friday of the month, the time of the month when we normally hold our business meeting. The decision was therefore made at the last business meeting (in March) to move the meeting back one week, and therefore will take place instead This Friday, the 29th, at the usual time 7:30PM at the Queensland Maritime Museum, Southbank.

Hope to see everyone soon, either at one of our Club meetings, or at BARCfest. 73 from Stuart VK4MSL.

Redcliffe and District Radio Club
www.redclifferadioclub.org.au/

I'm Ray VK4CF with news from the Redcliffe Club.

SILENT KEY:-

Rob, VK2ZEB has become Silent Key this week.
The club sends prayers to Rob's wife Elizabeth and their family at this time.

Last Sunday, the club set up a information and display area for the National field day event at the Kippa Ring shopping centre, Redcliffe, just outside KMART. Though the number of shoppers was down, there were at least 8 potential club members at the display. This included one gentleman who was pleased that he now did not have to learn morse to obtain his full call.

Last Monday's tech talk was given by Roger VK4ZLQ and Peter VK4EA. The topic was the stubbs used on all hf antennas on the last John Moyle field day. Essentially the stubbs acted as frequency specific band pass filters. This allowed band specific transmission and virtually eliminated all other frequencies except the frequency being used.

This also improved the reception within the band and many more weak signals were heard and the noise present at other frequencies was also eliminated. As the contest rules require all antennas to be in a 800

metre radius, the stubbs limited the interaction usually found with the antennas being closely spaced. The presentation was enhanced with a PowerPoint presentation of the theory and practical details of construction.

One club member was heard to ask if this would be able to reduce the pager interference in the local Redcliffe area from a certain location on 2 metres? Roger's answer was a definite YES.

Scott, VK4FLAE, is now well on his way to upgrade his licence with a good pass on his standard theory exam. Scotty said that it was the constant pushing from a number of fellow club members that finally motivated him to have a go at the theory paper and he was surprised and pleased to pass with flying colours. He is now well into studying for the regulations exam so he can make used of the higher power limit.

John, VK4YJV, will be conducting the first of the mini training sessions to be held on the first Monday night of the month. The first session will be on How to tie knots & their uses. As next Monday night is ANZAC DAY night the club will be open but there will be no fox hunt on the night.

Phil, VK4FIL, believes that he might be the first VK4 to work JA on 6 metres using the digital mode "whisper". It occurred last week when 6 metres was wide open.

So now it's back to finding the Easter eggs and its 73 from Ray, VK4CF wishing all a happy Easter from the Redcliffe club.

VK7

Congratulations

UTAS - Outstanding Achievers

A big congratulations to Thomas VK7NML and Andrew VK7AL who both appeared on the University of Tasmania - Outstanding Achievers list for 2010.

Thomas Karpiniec received a Dean's Citation for his Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) and Andrew Welch was on the Dean's Roll of Excellence for his dual degrees of Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Engineering.

Congratulations to you both.

(Justin, VK7TW)

VK8

Well I can tell you that the dry has arrived with a vengeance, G'Day I'm Spud VK8ZWM.

The fans are off and the doona's are out already. That means an influx of visitors is almost upon us. The word is out. The moisture is pretty well gone. The wet is gone.

Just a whisker under 3 meters of rain since the beginning of October till now. It has been a big wet.

It means that it is time to really consider joining us for the WIA national conference for 2011 now that the wet has stopped. Darwin will still be green for you that's for sure.

Book your rooms at the Mirrambeena resort for the special conference rate and you can stay on after at that rate how's that. Come on up and be a part of this special occasion.

A welcome dinner not to be missed on Friday night the 27th of may at Darwin's famous Trailer Boat Club in Fannie Bay overlooking Darwin Harbour.

Saturdays AGM, , papers and then some special presentations in the afternoon or a special look around Darwin let by members of Darwin Amateur Radio club. The locals, followed by a great conference dinner in the treetops restaurant with special guests.

Sunday bring your togs for a trip to Litchfield national park, a swim in the creek, no crocs, a peer at the magnetic anthills, then a BBQ lunch and a swim at Wangi falls, what a great way to spend a Sunday and then follow that with a trip to Darwin's Mindil Sunday markets for tea as guests of the Darwin Amateur radio club.

It will be a great weekend having fun with friends.

Register at www.wia.org.au and Book your airfares and your rooms now.

Time is running out FAST.

This has been Spud on behalf of DARC and the WIA

SILENT KEY

VK5ZQ Murray Burford

Murray's wife, Pam, has advised VK5NU that Murray is now a silent key.

He passed away 2am Saturday, 16th April, 2011 aged 79 years.

Murray had been ill with cancer for quite some time.

Murray contributed in a number of ways to the effective functioning of the now superseded VK5/8 Division of the WIA. In particular, his long-time role in conducting the Division's classes for intending amateurs was much appreciated and was a major factor in the decision some years ago to grant Murray Life Membership of the WIA.

At the 2006 WIA AGM Murray was awarded a President's Commendation recognising his commitment and professionalism as the producer and presenter of the Sunday morning Broadcast heard in VK5 and VK8.

Murray provided this service over a period of about fifteen years, up until the introduction of the WIA National News broadcast which substantially replaced locally prepared national sessions. Murray

delivered these weekly broadcasts with very few personal interruptions except for breaks of about three weeks over the Christmas to mid-January period each year, and a very occasional holiday, even soldiering on while receiving treatment during a period of poor health.

Murray's program material was obtained from a wide variety of sources. They were thought provoking and created comments. Murray's programs were always carefully thought out and well prepared and gave pleasure to all.

Silent Key VK5ZQ Murray Burford.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART and the WW sources of the WIA.

Community Radio helps rebuild New Brighton Christchurch [NZ] after February's Earthquake

Wellington based Radio Heritage Foundation had the idea of bringing a mobile radio station to support the eastern suburbs of Christchurch.

In less than ten days, a licence was granted and Southland broadcaster Chris Diack had moved a mobile radio studio into the main street of the seaside suburb of New Brighton and Radio New Brighton was on the air on 102.1 FM.

Radio New Brighton has become an integral part of the eastern suburbs recovery and rebuilding process, with locals calling in to the studio to chat about lost pets, hot shower facilities, stores reopening, public meetings, children's events and much more.

The Radio Heritage Foundation, holder of the radio licence for 102.1 FM, now wants to see a permanent community radio station, run by locals, established in New Brighton once the current emergency broadcasts end.

The Radio Heritage Foundation is a registered non-profit organization connecting popular culture, nostalgia and radio heritage and its global website is www.radioheritage.net

Another of its 'Helping Rebuild Christchurch' projects involves restoring the original 3ZB radio studio and transmitter building in New Brighton in time for its 75th anniversary in 2012.

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The European Commission has ruled member states open two radio frequency bands to the newest generation of mobile devices to enable faster Internet use on the move.

EU member states must implement the new rule to allow 4th generation mobile devices access to 900 and 1,800 MHz radio frequencies by the end of the year.

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The number of prisoners testing positive in random drug tests is at an all-time low, says New Zealand's Corrections Minister Judith Collins.

"New laws targeting drugs and contraband, cell phone jamming at all New Zealand prisons and increased vigilance by Corrections staff have made it much harder to get drugs into their prisons.

The Corrections Amendment Act authorises the Department to electronically detect, monitor and JAM radio communications in and out of prisoners and allowed for the monitoring of prisoners' phone calls.

SARL SAYS NEW SOUTH AFRICAN HAM RADIO REGULATIONS HAVE ERRORS

The new South African radio regulations that were published on March 31st and came into effect on April 1st are causing concern to that nation's ham radio community.

This is because a number of mistakes have crept in, which telecommunications regulator I-C-A-S-A is reportedly working on to rectify as soon as possible.

According to the South African Radio League, the problem is with the new regulation for the Class B or Zed-U license is incorrect.

This is because the word "under" was left out before the words 20 years. This leads to a situation where if you are over 20 years of age you cannot apply for a class B license.

If you have a class B qualification you will be able to keep a Zed-U license until you reach 25, when the license is automatically cancelled.

LOST

Alexander, UY0LL, says last month the Ukrainian government confirmed new rules for radio amateurs, including a significant loss of all or part of 15 FIFTEEN ham bands!

10100-10150kHz
14250-14350kHz
1240-1300MHz
2300-2450MHz
5670-5850MHz
10-10.10GHz 10.15-10.50GHZ
24.05-24.25GHz
76-77.5GHz 78-81.0GHz
122.25-123.0GHz
134.0-136.00GHz 136.0-141.00GHz
241.0-248.00GHz 248.0-250.00GHz

Website of Ukrainian communication regulator
www.nkrz.gov.ua/uk/activities/news/1299057512/

Website of Ukrainian Amateur Radio League (UARL)
http://uarl.org.ua/

K K K Katie

Never has so much attention been paid by so many to just two.

The April 29 wedding of Britain's Prince William and Kate Middleton will be watched by about 2 billion people worldwide.

These nuptials will draw a crowd in anticipation of drawing an audience. One estimate has 8,000 TV and radio reporters and support staff from around the world in London covering the nuptials.

CNN alone is said to be sending 50 U.S. staffers to complement 75 from its London bureau. Even the Weather Channel is planning some special wedding programming and the BBC will have around 30 TV Cameras INSIDE the Abbey.

And don't forget that special prefix in use from "the mother country" GR.

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2011

Apr 23 ZL/VK 2011 VK/ZL RTTY SPRINT 80 metres

Apr 30 WW Marconi Day 2011

Apr 30 ZL/VK 2011 VK/ZL RTTY SPRINT 40 metres

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

New SSTV net starting up

Bob VK4DA is sending out the feelers to check on the feasibility in starting up a Slow Scan TV Net, possibly around 2pm to 3pm with pictures exchanged possibly on 10 metres and voice liaison on either of the Townsville voice repeaters.

If you are interested in being part of the net, drop Bob a line letting him know what hardware/software you can throw together, a preference for day and time and frequency for the net. Pass the word around to anyone you think might be interested as well.

Bob reminds us that even Foundation calls can participate in the net in receive only mode yet still comment on the liaison frequency by voice on what they received.

Contact Bob on email vk4da@bigpond.com

TC57A Special Event Station From The Battlefields of Gallipoli

They hope to set up the station between 21-25 April. First activated as TC57ALAY in 2007, the special event-commemorative station for the 57th Regiment Martyrs, is active every year at the end of April as TC57A.

Special emphasis is on contacts made with VK / ZL stations.

QSL via bureau.

Details and photos from previous activities are on the website www.tcswat.org

(TA1HZ)

BROADCAST MONITORING SWL AND SCANNER NEWS
http://spench.net/drupal/software/rfmap)AUSTRALIAN GEOGRAPHICAL RF MAP)
http://www.scanaustralia.bigpondhosting.com
http://mt-shortwave.blogspot.com/
HTTP://www.ei7dar.com/hf.html
www.tinyurl.com/BITS-026 (A receiver located in NY USA)
http://wb4mak.com/ (Atlanta 80/40/20 Web SDR Receiver)

Radio Station WSM's Nashville radio tower that has broadcast the Grand Ole Opry since the 1930s has been added to the USA National Register of Historic Places. The 808-foot tower was erected in 1932.

INTRUDER WATCH - ENFORCEMENT ZONE

Region III IARUMS Coordinator Peter Young VK3MV

VK IARUMS reflector email to subscribe intruders@wia.org.au

INTRUDER NETS
Friday 0730 UTC 7.065.5 with VK4CEU David.

Amateur exclusive frequencies where any non-amateur signal is definitely an intruder.

Amateur HF Spectrum world wide
7.050 to 7.100
14.000 to 14.250
14.250 to 14.350 No broadcasters
21.000 to 21.450
24.890 to 24.990
28.000 to 29.700

Intruder Watch - OTHR (Over the Horizon Radar) 80m

We have never come across Over the Horizon Radar on 80 meters. However any thing is feasible.

John ZL1GWE says "With my ears, it sounds very similar to the Stereo Radar system, which has been plaguing the 40 meter band in the CW and digital segments.

Any reports, are as always welcomed - samples would be appreciated, if heard.

John ZL1GWE ms@nzart.org.nz

Sample sound file available on NZART Website:

http://www.nzart.org.nz/assets/ms/2011/2011-04-07-1838z-3556Hz-OTHR.mp3

MEDIA WATCH
www.cq-amateur-radio.com/WorldRadio.html
VK Club Bulletins http://groups.yahoo.com/group/aarnie/

A look inside Amateur Radio magazine for May

Featured in a cover story is the unveiling of the commemorative plaque during the formal opening of the WIA offices, and the naming of the building as Andersson House.

WIA President Michael Owen VK3KI explains the purposes of the occasion, before a gathering of the Board and WIA members.

Further to the Board holding its pre-AGM meeting, and among other matters, it decided to introduce a student rate as well as increase the members general annual subscription.

Among the articles are Ash Long VK3SSB, who gives a run down on the Western Victoria JOTA/JOTI weekend, An introduction to stepper motors is detailed by Jim Tregellas VK5JST, while Bill Isdale VK4IS talks about the hotter days entitled, "Murphy's emergency communications".

Ever wondered about the use of Ladder Line, well read the Foundation Corner piece by Geoff Emery VK4ZPP, there is do's and don'ts of the End-fed Zepp antenna use from the trials of Wayne Pickard VK2ACY, and for the tourist comes - "Amateur radio, bush walking, photography and fishing in the central highlands of Tasmania" - as explained by Brian Morgan VK7RR.

Regular columns on Shortwave Listening, AMSAT, ALARA, DXing and the Higher Bands make for a lot more reading in the May edition of Amateur Radio Magazine, a WIA membership service and also available at selected newsagents.

I'm Barry Robinson VK3PV and you're listening to VK1WIA.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- DIGITAL
Australian Coordinator for TCPIP domains is Indy vk2xb@wia.org.au

T.D.M.A. NEXT DEVELOPMENT IN AMATEUR RADIO?

Time division multiple access (TDMA) is a channel access method for shared medium networks. It allows several users to share the same frequency channel by dividing the signal into different time slots.

The users transmit in rapid succession, one after the other, each using his own time slot. This allows multiple stations to share the same radio frequency.

The ARRL has filed a Petition for Rulemaking and a Request for Temporary Waiver to authorize the use of single-time-slot Time Division Multiple Access emissions in the amateur bands at and above 50 MHz, wherever multiple-time-slot TDMA is authorized.

The ARRL -- which called its Petition "very narrow in scope" seeks to facilitate the use of and experimentation by radio amateurs with existing narrowband spectrum-efficient digital voice and data technology."

Such technology is now in regular and increasing use in the private land mobile radio services.

(sourced to sarl)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- INTERNET --- THE HAMS DOMAIN
TWITTER http://twitter.com/VK1WIA
www.HamRadioNation.com

wia.org.au Repeater listings

>From time to time we receive requests from people programming their radios to make the repeater listing information available in Excel format, we are pleased to announce that the repeater data can now be downloaded from the Repeater section of the WIA website under the members tab.

Also a reminder about the WIA email address service. The WIA though it's email server allows you to establish "yourcallsign@wia.org.au" with all emails sent to this address automatically forwarded to either your home or work email account.

This provides YOU with ONE consistent email address. And should you ever change ISP, then having a WIA address means your friends and colleagues will still be able to email you without the need for individually providing them with your new address. All YOU need to do is to simply advise us of your new address, through form on our website and we do the rest. It couldn't be easier !! A further benefit of having a WIA address, is in receiving informative Amateur Radio news as it breaks, sent directly to YOUR inbox..

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RESCUE RADIO
IARU REGION 3
Emergency Centre of Activity (CoA) frequencies
3.600, 7.110, 14.300, 18.160 and 21.360 MHz

Only one GlobalSET this year

IARU Region 1 website, shows Greg Mossop, G0DUB, the IARU Region 1 Emergency Comms Co-Ordinator saying:

"Unfortunately there will only be one GlobalSET this year which will be on 12th Nov1 1100-1500 local time.

This is due to work pressures on the organiser of the SET which have limited the time to prepare reports from earlier events and properly organise activities for the next SET which should have occurred in May.

The Emergency Communications Coordinators for Regions 2 and 3 have been consulted on the cancellation of the May event and have not made any objections.

Please send any comments to the Region 1 Emergency Communications Co-Ordinator The decision to cancel the May GlobalSET is regretted but is felt to be in the best interests of the event.

(Southgate and Jim Linton VK3PC, Chairman, IARU Region 3 Disaster Communications Committee.)

SOCIAL SCENE

2011

Apr 23-24 VK2 Urunga Radio Convention Senior Citz Hall Bowra street

Apr 23-35 VK4 Darling Downs Club field day at Highfields Pioneer Village
vkjeff@hotmail.com

Apr 30 VK4 Gold Coast bbq and boot sale 10am at club house

Apr30-May1 VK4 Clairview Gathering contact Clive VK4ACC of RADAR Club
04 2963 2815.

May 7 VK4 Brisbane Amateur Radio Club's BARCfest, Mt. Gravatt Show
grounds, 1600 Logan Road, Upper Mt. Gravatt 9:30AM
email vk4so@wia.org.au

May 27-29 WIA AGM Weekend in Darwin
secretary@wia.org.au

Jun 10 - 12 VK4 Far North and North Queensland Amateur Radio Gathering at
King Reef Resort Kurrimine Beach.

Jun 11 - 12 VK2 Oxley Region Amateur Radio Club annual Field Day

Jul 16 VK3 Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club Hamfest
Cranbourne Community Hall 10am (secretary@ggrec.org.au)

Jul 16 VK4 Maryborough Electronics and Radio Group "Wide Bay Hamfest"
West Scout Hall, Ariadne St, Maryborough 8:30am.
secretary@merg.org.au

Jul 31 VK2/3 Riverina Field Day 10am at Lavington Scout Group Hall.

Aug 7 VK2 Lismore region - SARCFEST

Sep 11 VK3 SADARC Comms Day at St Augustine's Hall Shepparton 10am.

Sep 16-18 VK4 NQ Amateur Radio Convention Date Set Townsville

Sep 23-28 R3 Region 3 ARDF Championship Bendigo VK3
http://r3.ardf.org.au/

Sep 30-Oct 2 VK4 Central Highlands Amateur Radio Club AGM at Camp Fairbairn
CONTACT Secretary Gordon, (vk4kal@wia.org.au)

Nov 20 vk5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society Hamfest
Goodwood Community Centre, Rosa St Goodwood at 0930.
Visit www.ahars.com.au for contact details

2012

15TH IARU REGION 3 CONFERENCE hosted by V.A.R.C. in Ho-Chi-Minh City, Vietnam.

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Date: 2011-04-21 13:50:24 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20110420201821.7DEE626947@bmail.arrl.org>
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==> ARES® BRIEFS

By Friday, March 25, Japan Amateur Radio League (JARL) HQ stations had completed disaster relief communications on the 7 MHz band for the catastrophic northeastern Japan earthquake and tsunami of March 11. The JARL thanked radio amateurs for their cooperation in keeping 7.030 MHz clear for the relief communications effort. [March 28, 2011, statement, JARL]. A report can be found here <http://www.arrl.org/news/radio-amateurs-in-japan-still-providing-communications-support>.

Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Enhancement Bills

Of the two versions of the Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Enhancement Act of 2011, H.R. 81 and S. 191, the latter is expected to move through the Senate before H.R. 81 is taken up by the House. Quiet efforts are underway to smooth the path of the legislation through the committees of jurisdiction. [ARRL Executive Committee, March 19, 2011]. Current information on both measures, and on HR 607 - The Broadband for First Responders Act of 2011, which poses a threat to our 70-cm band, can be found here <http://www.arrl.org/current-legislation>. [Editor's note: Although I have not used it extensively at this point, I have found GovTrack.us <http://www.govtrack.us/> to be an easy-to-use site

for tracking congressional bills, events, individual members of
Congress, and so forth. Although not vetted by myself nor ARRL, readers
might want to try it, too, and please let me know of your experience.]

The ARES® E-Letter audio version is now available on iTunes: Click here
<http://itunes.apple.com/us/podcast/ares-e-letter-audio-version/id429901721>.

Here <http://www.tninterop.com/?f5d91958> is a very well done film on
the issue of Interoperability, which should be required viewing for
ARES® members who want to gain a greater understanding of the issues
facing both our own service, and our served agencies. -- Les Rayburn,
N1LF, Alabaster, Alabama

ARRL Partners Roundup

April 18, 2011 -- Red Cross Responds After Tornadoes, Wildfires Leave
Devastation Across The South
<http://www.redcross.org/portal/site/en/menuitem.94aae335470e233f6cf911df43181aa0/?vgnextoid=eebe2b562766f210VgnVCM10000089f0870aRCRD>

April 18, 2011 - Salvation Army: Response Efforts to Deadly Tornadoes,
Wildfires Across Southern US <http://blog.salvationarmyusa.org/?p=6028>

==> ARES® DIGEST

Wicked Tornadoes Rip Up the South; SKYWARN, ARES Respond

Devastating tornadoes swept through the southern portion of the country
over the course of the last few days, and after-action reports so far
are sketchy, but your editor reached a few key ARES® officials for some
early indications of responses. ARES® and SKYWARN were activated in
Atoka, Oklahoma and other areas of the state, especially the northeast
and southeast, for the tornado emergencies, according to Oklahoma SEC
Mark Conklin, N7XYO. Oklahoma ARRL Public Information Coordinator Lloyd
Colston, KC5FM, reported that last Friday was a very busy day for the
state, as it faced wildfire emergencies in the west and the tornadoes
in the southeast. Both SKYWARN and ARES® were involved, said Colston:
"These two groups of volunteers are married together for these types of
situations. They work extremely well."

Alabama SM David Drummond, W4MD, said that many areas in western
Alabama were activated, particularly in Sumter, Tuscaloosa and Greene
counties, where tornadoes were on the ground. Numerous ARES® nets
across the state were convened in support of these areas. SKYWARN
spotters reported ground truths back to the National Weather Service
offices in Birmingham via multiple modes, including D-STAR. Damage
assessments were also provided to the Red Cross at Tuscaloosa, and the
State EMA at Clanton. SEC Greg Gross, K4GR, called the Alabama ARES
State Net on 3965 kHz, which was in session for more than six hours.
Activity reports are still coming into the Section Manager and a more
comprehensive report is pending.

In North Carolina, SM Bill Morine, N2COP, said "storms resulted in the most lives lost in the state due to a natural disaster since 1984 with 23 confirmed dead. Because devastation was highly localized due to the narrow swath of many of the tornadoes, there were few communications outages. Nevertheless, SKYWARN was active, and ARES® operators were on standby for much of the weekend."

>From Tom Brown, N4TAB, North Carolina SEC: "Triad SKYWARN (Winston-Salem, Greensboro, High Point) activated under the Raleigh NWS, reporting events as the storm line developed, intensified and moved east. As it cleared their jurisdiction, ARES® Triad operators provided reports into Central Carolina SKYWARN about conditions on the back side of the storm line. John Hamilton, NC4JH, is the Triad SKYWARN EC.

"Central Carolina SKYWARN also activated under Raleigh NWS. It was very busy for many hours with rotating staff of at least two full-time operators on the air taking reports for the NWS and picking up the nets as reports were passed to the NWS. When the NWS office was evacuated to safe quarters, the SKYWARN operators moved with the NWS staff and continued their activities without interruption. That was an absolutely exemplary example of "how to do it right." Virginia Enzor, NC4VA, is the Central Carolina SKYWARN EC.

"Wilson County ARES® activated under Wilson County EM for about five hours, handling damage reports. George Diering, W3GJD, is the Wilson County EC.

"SEC Tom Brown, N4TAB, logged into and monitored the State Emergency Management WebEOC system for 20+ hours, maintaining situational awareness (SA). Most state ARES jurisdictions also maintained SA for the duration of the events. We had offers of boots-on-the-ground support from across the state and from surrounding states, from both ARES® and MARS."

The Newport, North Carolina, NWS SKYWARN operators in the northeastern part of the state, headed by SKYWARN EC John Hopkins, KJ4EJH, had two busy net controls, Pat Gorman, KE4WZY, and Tom Young, KF4VOL. Bertie County, a rural county, was hard hit but served well by the Newport NWS group.

In Virgina, Section Manager Carl Clements, W4CAC, reported that SKYWARN nets were activated throughout the state, sending reports to NWS offices, including the Wakefield NWS facility.

See also the above stories on Red Cross and Salvation Army involvement. They are both ARRL partners pursuant to formal and longstanding memorandums of understanding (MOU).

Western PA Tornado Response

March 30, 2011 -- Western Pennsylvania hams responded to a tornado emergency. At approximately 4:30 on the afternoon of Wednesday, March 23, severe thunderstorms started to roll into Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania, producing golf ball-sized hail and heavy winds. Members of the Westmoreland County Public Service/ARES® group were involved. Learn More <http://www.arrl.org/news/western-pennsylvania-hams-respond-as-tornado-sweeps-through-area>. -- ARRL Letter

Southern Cal Hospital Support Hams Fill In Communications Gap

March 25, 2011 - Hospital Disaster Support Communications System (HDSCS <http://www.hdscs.org/>) amateurs provided backup communications when phones failed at a southern California hospital. When nurses and other caregivers picked up their phones at Children's Hospital of Orange County (CHOC <http://www.choc.org/>) in California in the early morning on March 21, there was no dial tone. A power surge caused the central processor in the hospital's phone switch to fail. Following established procedures, the Lead Operator at the CHOC switchboard immediately used an off-switch tie-line to reach April Moell, WA6OPS, head of this ARES® group that specializes in helping hospitals when their communications fail. More here <http://www.arrl.org/news/hams-help-when-phones-fail-at-southern-california-hospital>.

Just 15 days later, HDSCS was activated again to another Orange County hospital. A group pager alert at 10:28 AM on April 5 brought hams to Saddleback Hospital in Laguna Hills after a digital equipment failure caused the inbound and outbound trunk lines to become inoperative. Again, the phone number of April Moell, WA6OPS was given to Orange County Communications agency so that ambulance companies and other hospitals could contact Saddleback Hospital via HDSCS. The outage lasted until 6 PM that day.

Of the 115 times that HDSCS has been activated for communications problems in Orange County hospitals, this was the 85th time that it was due to switchgear or cable failure. According to WA6OPS, who is an ARES DEC, "Many hams around the state and the country ask me why Orange County has so many phone system failures in hospitals. They seem to think that this doesn't happen in their own areas, but they're mistaken. We know from our own experience that phone equipment isn't 100% reliable. I know from talking to lots of hospital disaster planners around the country that they have plenty of failures, too. But far too often, hams think that Amateur Radio can only help in 'all else fails' disasters such as hurricanes, tornados and floods. Most ham emergency groups don't prepare and plan to help in these single-hospital incidents. They don't set up 24-hour alerting plans for the hospitals to use to contact them quickly when phones go down, so they never get the call."

Moell continues, "When a nurse on a hospital unit has an urgent need to contact a patient's physician at his office or home but the phones are down because switchgear has failed, that's just as severe an emergency

as it would be in a widespread natural disaster. Orange County hospitals know and appreciate us because we come when they call and we connect their staff members to the outside, no matter the cause of the communications outage. We urge other ARES groups around the country to adopt our hospital support model, which includes robust alerting plans for each hospital, regular meetings with the hospital disaster planners, and ready-to-respond members who are trained in the special terminology and communications needs of medical facilities." More information about HDSCS <http://www.hdscs.org/> and its successful model for hospital communications support is at the group's Web site. -- Joe Moell, K0OV, Fullerton, California

Bergen, New Jersey Members Active in Flooding Emergency

Hams from the Bergen Amateur Radio Association (BARA) provided communications for the Red Cross of Northern New Jersey. The five day response was in support of relief efforts in the wake of severe flooding that occurred in the area in early March. BARA hams leading the effort were Tony Izzo, K2AMI; Phil Barber, WA2LXE; and Bob Javits, WB2AIU.

Operating from a permanent station installed by BARA at Red Cross Disaster Relief headquarters in Ridgewood, New Jersey, the hams maintained contact with the Disaster Assessment Teams covering the flooded areas and relayed their reports to various departments as needed. Communications operations involved the use of the repeater of the 10-70 Repeater Association as it provided excellent coverage of the

flood area. According to Rob Pavlick, Response Manager for the Red Cross, "The continuing support from BARA for our efforts here in Northern New Jersey has resulted in a more timely flow of information, and data collection." Red Cross Disaster Assessment volunteers who are also hams provided the input from the field.

West Texas Wildfires Response

On April 9 at 4:15 PM, ARRL West Texas District 5 EC Bob Ward, WA5ROE, received a call from Jeff Davis County (Texas) Fire Marshal Stewart Billingsley, N5HXZ. Billingsley informed Ward that a fire had begun in the West Texas town of Marfa and was rapidly approaching Fort Davis, 22 miles to the northeast.

"Stewart asked me to call the National Weather Service to get it on the alert system, as well as the AM and FM radio stations in Alpine," Ward told the ARRL. "He wanted it broadcast over the radio stations that he needed the Mano Prieto and Fort Davis Estates sub-divisions evacuated. People in the area know that when an emergency happens, they need to tune into these stations for the latest information. This was the Rock House Fire. At the same time, another fire, the Roper Fire, had started on the eastern edge of Alpine." More here <http://www.arrl.org/news/hams-provide-communications-support-during-west-texas-wildfires> .

- ARRL Letter

==> EMCOMMWEST 2011 NEXT MONTH IN RENO

The ARRL Specialty Event convention EmCommWest is coming to Reno, Nevada on May 6, 7, and 8, 2011. This is a premier event that specifically focuses on Emergency Radio. This year's keynote ARRL speaker will be Mike Corey, W5MPC, Emergency Response and Planning Manager from ARRL HQ. Corey will share the latest in the world of emergency communications and what we can look forward to having just passed the 75th Anniversary of ARES®. The Saturday night banquet speaker will be honored, special guest former ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP, who served three terms as League president, and made major contributions to Amateur Radio, including "The Big Project" to attract young people into the hobby. His key support for emergency communications is well-known. More event info here <http://www.emcommwest.org/>. -- ARRL Sacramento Valley Section News, March 2011

==> SURE-FIRE WAYS TO KILL YOUR ARES® PROGRAM

Last month, I offered what I believe are ten ways to grow an ARES® or EMCOMM program. This month, I'll offer a list of ways to do just the opposite. Most are related to leadership.

Politics - If you've been around a while, you've experienced the evil of Amateur Radio politics, often made worse because we're a passionate bunch and nobody really has an important (job, money, family) stake in the debate. ARES® is different. We have a public safety mission and people count on us. We do not have time for politics.

A commitment to community service and mission can fill the vacuum politics would otherwise be drawn into. Before you "start something" or play someone else's games, ask yourself, "Is this really worth it?" Sometimes you'll say "yes," but "no" is often a wiser, long-term decision. The best way to avoid politics is honesty and obvious goodwill.

Failure to communicate and delegate - This is absolutely key. One of the best ways to keep volunteers - arguably the only way - is to give the ones who want something to do a task they can do and want to do. You need to match the task to the volunteer and be careful to match the task and deadline to the volunteer's reliability. Getting others involved is the key to your group's success. Train these people to become your leaders.

Obviously, you need people to know what your plans are, what you need, and what progress is being made. A weekly e-mail is a good way to accomplish this. Monthly is probably too infrequent. If you can't fill at least a short weekly newsletter, you probably are not doing enough to be an active group.

Not loving your volunteers - Hot news: As a leader, you can't accomplish very much working alone. Your job is creating excellent volunteer experiences and keeping your volunteers involved, fulfilled, and happy. If you don't really love your volunteers, not merely respect or like them, but love them, you will fail. Think of your volunteers as an extended family and get them to think of each other the same way. Be the example.

Forgetting to say "Thanks!" - A wise manager once told me that there is really only one thing you can tell a volunteer - "Thanks" - because you can't force them to do anything. Remind your people constantly that their effort are (1) important, (2) make a difference and (3) are appreciated. You need to concentrate on all three.

Failure to apologize - As a leader, you're going to make mistakes. Decisions you make are sometimes going to make people unhappy. You must always weigh the gains made by doing something against the people it will upset and that potential loss. I generally find myself "doing something" while remaining sensitive to the people those actions might upset.

If you follow the adage, "it's easier to apologize than to get permission" then apologies really, really matter. And, you must be successful in the task for this strategy to work. Yet you still risk making permanent enemies.

In general: Apologize - sincerely - early, often, and sometimes even when you might not be wrong. But you must be sincere or this will totally backfire.

Misunderstanding served agencies - This is a topic for an ARRL Handbook-sized essay, but if you don't understand what your agencies need and want, how they function, and what they value, you will not have a good relationship with them. That could be your undoing. Work with multiple agencies to reduce the potential downside.

Not investing in growth - This is absolutely key. I don't care how you do it, but you need to constantly work to sign up and train new members. I am a big fan of ARES&#65533; groups and Community Emergency Response Teams <http://www.citizencorps.gov/cert/> (CERT) working together. See my article in May, 2011 QST for more on that. Do what works in your area, but you may be better off creating new hams than re-recruiting the burnout cases.

Last month, I recommended one-day HamCram licensing events as a growth tool. Not everyone agreed, so here <http://bit.ly/fEohMl> is my response to a HamCram critic. How to do a HamCram? Click here <http://n5fdl.com/hamcram>.

Not investing in relationships - The primary job of ARES&#65533; leaders isn't radio, it's relationships -- with volunteers, agencies, one another, allied groups, etc. If you put your time and effort into building relationships among people, your communications capabilities will

improve by multiples.

Personal burnout - Leaders need to look after one another as well as themselves. If you need help, support, or cheering up, ask for it, especially from the leaders you have created. You can always drop me a note, too.

I'd like to tell you I am an expert at all these things, but it would be a lie. Still, these are what I try to focus on: Excellent volunteer and program management. Members make the ARES® world go 'round. - David Coursey, N5FDL, Contributing Editor (visit his blog <http://www.n5fdl.com/>)

==> SETTING UP A TWITTER ALERT SYSTEM

One tool that might be useful for some groups is Twitter <http://www.twitter.com/> for rapidly sending out club, group or ARES® alerts or announcements. Anyone who has a cell phone that can send and receive text messages can easily enable these alerts to show up on their phones; no smart phone or complicated setup required!

Setting up a new Twitter account takes just a few minutes, and for your members to sign up to receive updates is even faster. To set up a new account visit http://www.twitter.com <http://www.twitter.com/> and look for the "Sign Up" button on the right side. For the name, put the name of your ARES® group or club. For the username, think carefully about this one as it will be in your URL address, and you won't want to change it later. For the Santa Cruz, California ARES® group I chose a naming scheme of "ares_xcz" with the plan that if multiple ARES® groups were listed they would be shown together alphabetically. Then I used a three letter county abbreviation. I created the main account, <http://twitter.com/ares_xcz> for official ARES® activations and alerts.

Next, choose a password. I would create a strong password that you might share with just a few people in your group so they could post the alert if you were unavailable. Board members or the club president would be some examples of who you might grant posting access to.

Next, put in an e-mail address (your own, or a club email address) that gets monitored regularly. Answer the other simple questions asked and click the "Create my account" button. You can then customize your page if you choose, add your organization logo, and write a description of the group with a link to your website for more information.

To post a "Tweet" or an alert to your group, simply type the text in the "What's happening?" box at the top and hit the "Tweet" button. Remember, Tweets are limited to 140 characters so they are easy to read on cellular phones via SMS, so keep it short. Your tweet is available to anyone who looks at your Twitter account or uses the search feature. A common method is to post the short alert message with a link to additional information. For our group I also created a second Twitter

account for more general news and non-priority information like meeting reminders and announcements: <http://twitter.com/ares_xcz_news>

Signing Up To Receive Twitter Alerts

For your group members to sign up to receive alerts is easy. From their mobile phone they would simply create a new text message. In the "To" field of the message is where you typically put the cellular phone number of who you want to send the message to, but in this case, Twitter's number is 40404, so place that in the "To" field of the message.

In the message portion, simply write the word "follow" and the name of the Twitter account for your organization. As an example, to follow all alerts for the Santa Cruz California ARES® group, the message would be "follow ares_xcz".

Send that message and Twitter will reply with a few very basic instructions. The next time the organization posts a tweet, your phone will receive a text message within seconds. If you ever want to turn off these updates, simply send a text message of "leave ares_xcz" to 40404 and it will turn the notifications off.

There are a lot of other features of Twitter, and through the Web site you can read the tweets online, search past tweets, locate additional people, ham radio operators or organizations to follow, and more. If you want to get started to see how some Amateur Radio operators are using Twitter, check out http://hamtwits.com <http://hamtwits.com/>. - Dan Dawson, KI6ESH [Dawson operates primarily on VHF/UHF voice around Santa Cruz, California and also occasionally operates APRS while mobile or flying private aircraft. He can be reached with questions or corrections to this article on Twitter @KI6ESH or via http://ki6esh.com <http://ki6esh.com/>.

[editor's note: ARRL HQ is also on Twitter! We have a Twitter page set up for EmComm related posts. You can find us at www.twitter.com/arrl_emcomm - Mike, W5MPC]

==> LETTERS

In re several points made by correspondents in the last issue, on the subject of batteries for HTs, the number one thing we're told is to get an AA battery case since AA batteries are available anywhere. You're more likely to find AA batteries than a charger outlet for your NiMH battery pack in an emergency, power-out situation. But the truth is: There are times when you can get AA batteries but no charger outlet, times when you can get a recharge but not AA batteries, times when you can get either, and times when you can get neither.

Meanwhile, if AAA batteries are going to be in less demand in this scenario, then an adapter to make AAAs fit your AA battery case would be a good idea. There are some commercially available adapters, but an inexpensive approach that you could even do in the field is available

here
<http://www.instructables.com/id/Make-a-AAA-battery-work-as-a-AA-battery/>.

On the subject of commodity communication infrastructure, you can't count on being able to place a cell phone call in an emergency situation. SMS can still work, though. It's hardly the most efficient medium for emergency communication, but I can understand why it still works: SMS uses what was initially unused bits in the handshake protocol between cell phones and the network, so even if the network is flooded to capacity with voice and data traffic, as long as the phones can tell the network that they exist, they can send a text message. This suggests that SMS may not be an altogether bad way to make initial contact with your ARES® team.

On transportation, dogma seems to limit it to the emcomm truck, van or trailer. Bicycles don't seem to be part of our plans, though, not even for getting to fixed locations. I've gone bicycle mobile for parades, and I've also seen bicycle mobile use in marathon event communications systems. Just a thought. - Chris Bohn, N0RZT/4, Navarre, Florida
[editor's note: Here in Florida, we see many public safety officials riding dirt bikeswith knobby tires, with hand-held radios on their belts. Bicycle use could be good for ARES® operators, too - plus, it's good exercise! - K1CE]

Easy-To-Use HTs

We need a national dialogue on what constitutes an easily usable hand-held radio that can be handed to anyone in an emergency and operated on the spot. All of the HTs that I own require that the operator have the manual close by in order to be able to program them. They are all different.

In a major disaster event, granted, many hams who have hand-helds know how to use them and will be instantly successful in communicating. But if you think about asking many other hams to get out in the field and help, they may not know how to program their units, or borrowed units, beyond the basics.

The KISS principle dictates that a simple hand-held for quick-study and emergency use be marketed. The simplest HT I can remember using was the Kenwood TH-22 radio with thumbwheel switches on the top (hard to knock off frequency) and dip switches on the front to choose the PL tone. Simple switches on the back selected offset and power levels. If an operator was handed one, he/she would quickly be able to get it into operation on frequency almost immediately.

I think you should start a dialogue in your newsletter about what we need, and what models are already available that are simple to use. - Bob Skaggs, KB5RX <http://www.qrz.com/db/kb5rx>, Santa Fe, New Mexico
[editor's note: I reviewed the ICOM IC-V80 in the Product Review column in March 2011 QST - it seemed to fill the bill as prescribed by Skaggs. - K1CE]

==> NEW TO ARES&#65533;?

Here are some basic sources of good ARES&#65533; information:

The ARRL Public Service Communications Manual
<http://www.arrl.org/public-service-communications-manual> (PSCM) is
the bible for ARES and NTS operators.

For field operators, check out the ARES Field Resources Manual
<http://www.arrl.org/files/file/ARESFieldResourcesManual.pdf>. It is a
quick trainer and field resource guide for the emergency communicator.

Find local ARES activity and organizations in your area here
<http://www.arrl.org/sections>.

==> THE 2011 NATIONAL HURRICANE CONFERENCE

As this E-Letter is getting ready to head out the virtual door Amateur
Radio is being well represented at the 2011 National Hurricane
Conference in Atlanta, Georgia.

The ARRL is being represented by Southeast Division Director Greg
Sarratt, W4OZK, and ARRL HQ is being represented by Emergency
Preparedness Assistant Ken Bailey, K1FUG. There are presentations
planned on a variety of topics of interest to Amateur Radio.

Stay tuned for a full report in next month's ARES E-Letter.

==> K1CE FOR A FINAL

I dusted off an older editorial I wrote for QST a number of years ago,
and thought I would replay it now as it is still relevant, perhaps even
more so today. It also appears in the ARRL's Public Service
Communications Manual:

Meeting the communications needs of served agencies is a challenging,
and often daunting proposition in today's complex post-9/11
disaster/emergency relief arena. With the proliferation of emergency
relief organizations, increasingly sophisticated needs, all competing
for that scarce resource -- the volunteer -- coupled with the emergence
of other non-ARES&#65533; amateur providers, it's enough to make an operator's
head spin. As more of the population moves to disaster-prone areas, and
less government funding is available, more pressure is consequently
placed on agencies to appropriately use the volunteer sector for
support of their missions in disaster mitigation.

The League's formal relationships with served agencies are vitally
important and valuable to radio amateurs. They provide us with the
opportunity to contribute meaningfully to the relief of suffering among
our fellow human beings. Another substantial benefit not to be
overlooked is that the relationships lend legitimacy and credibility
for Amateur Radio's public service capability, and that is important
when it comes time to defend our frequencies and privileges before the
FCC and Congress. So, ARRL's relationships with the emergency/disaster
relief world need to be nurtured.

What to do? First, it is imperative that a detailed local operational plan be developed with agency managers in the jurisdiction that set forth precisely what each organization's expectations are during a disaster operation. ARES® and agency officials must work jointly to establish protocols for mutual trust and respect. Make sure they know who the principle ARES® official is in the jurisdiction. All matters involving recruitment and utilization of ARES® volunteers are directed by him/her, in response to the needs assessed by the agency involved.

Make sure ARES® counterparts in these agencies are aware of ARES® policies, capabilities and perhaps most importantly, resource limitations. Let them know that ARES® may have other obligations to fulfill with other agencies, too. Technical issues involving message format, security of message transmission, disaster welfare inquiry policies and others should be reviewed and expounded upon in the detailed local operations plans.

Another challenge ARES® faces is the number of agencies that demand communications support during a disaster. A local ARES® unit only has so much to go around, and it can't possibly meet every agency's needs. While the League maintains several formal Memoranda of Understanding (MOU) with disaster and emergency response agencies including the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), National Weather Service, Salvation Army, Red Cross, National Communications System and Associated Public- Safety Communications Officials - International. These documents merely set forth a framework for possible cooperation at the local level. While they are designed to encourage mutual recognition, cooperation and coordination, they should not be interpreted as to commit, obligate or mandate in any way that an ARES® unit must serve a particular agency, or meet all of its needs, in a jurisdiction. MOUs are "door openers," to help you get your foot in the door. It's up to you to decide whether or not to pursue a local operational plan with an agency, a decision that will be based on a number of factors including the local needs of the agency and the resources you have available to support those needs, given that you may have other prioritized commitments as well.

To address this, sit down with your fellow ARES® members, EC and SEC, and determine what agencies are active in your area, evaluate each of their needs, and which ones you are capable of meeting. Then prioritize these agencies and their needs. After you're all in agreement, sit down with your counterparts in each of the agencies and execute local, detailed operational plans and agreements in light of your priority list based on the above.

Given the above, however, you should also be working for growth in your ARES® program, making it a stronger, more valuable resource and hence able to meet more of the agencies' local needs. A stronger ARES® means a better ability to serve your communities in times of need and a greater sense of pride for Amateur Radio by both amateurs and the public. That's good for all of us. - Se you next month! 73, Rick K1CE

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409. IEEE PodCast about the need for more spectrum

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The Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers Spectrum Magazine
website usually has some interesting technical discussions. This week
they had one about the need for more spectrum and the resulting
"selling off" of bandwidth.

For your interest, here is the website:
http://tinyurl.com/enufspectrum

73, Art KØAIZ

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410. The ARRL Letter for April 21, 2011

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==> + FCC NEWS: ARRL SCORES PARTIAL VICTORY IN RECONROBOTICS PROCEEDING

The FCC has given radio amateurs a partial victory in response to
the ARRL's challenge, in a Petition for Reconsideration, of a rules
waiver that permits the certification and licensing of the Recon Scout
-- a remote-controlled, maneuverable surveillance robot operating in
the 430-448 MHz band. The device is marketed to public safety agencies
and certain security personnel by ReconRobotics Inc.

In an Order on Reconsideration released on April 15, the FCC granted
the ARRL's request for changes in the labeling and instruction manual
requirements to ensure that users of the device are aware of its
limitations, with regard to interference. Noting that no applications
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for individual licenses to operate the Recon Scout had been granted, the FCC's Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, the Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau, and the Office of Engineering and Technology deferred to the Commission's Enforcement Bureau with regard to complaints that ReconRobotics has been marketing uncertified devices and that the devices have been operating without authorization. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-scores-partial-victory-in-reconrobotics-proceeding>.

==> + CALIFORNIA SUPREME COURT DECLINES TO HEAR ANTENNA ZONING CASE

The California Supreme Court refused to hear the antenna zoning case brought forth by Alex Zubarau, WB6X, of Palmdale, California -- with the assistance of his ARRL Volunteer Counsel Len Shaffer, WA6QHD -- after receiving a mixed decision by the California Court of Appeals earlier this year. The Supreme Court -- California's highest court -- handed down their decision on April 20. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/california-supreme-court-declines-to-hear-antenna-zoning-case>.

==> SPECTRUM DEFENSE: "ETERNAL VIGILANCE" IS THE PRICE WE PAY FOR OUR SPECTRUM

The first edition for 2011 of Spectrum Defense Matters <http://www.arrl.org/spectrum-defense-matters-newsletter> -- a newsletter aimed at keeping ARRL members updated on issues related to the protection of Amateur Radio frequencies -- was recently released on the ARRL website. This newsletter covers both domestic and international topics related to the Amateur Radio spectrum. As ARRL President Kay Craigie, N3KN, said in a recent ARRL Legislative Update newsletter, "Eternal vigilance is the price of spectrum." Sometimes the threats are minimal; sometimes their impact can be devastating if not addressed. Regardless of the degree of severity, any threat to our Amateur Radio spectrum must be a top priority of the ARRL. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/eternal-vigilance-is-the-price-we-pay-for-our-spectrum>.

==> + ON THE AIR: FIND AN ARRL FIELD DAY STATION NEAR YOU

First introduced in 2008, the ARRL's Field Day Station Locator Service <http://www.arrl.org/field-day-locator> has proved a popular addition to the Field Day toolbox. This service -- an interactive map that helps amateurs or those interested in Amateur Radio find a Field Day <http://www.arrl.org/field-day> site near them -- is free to clubs or individuals who will be operating public Field Day stations. Stations can also be listed by state or province. So far, hams in all 50 states and Puerto Rico have listed Field Day sites on the Field Day Locator. If your group would like to be a part of the Station Locator Service, it's easy to get started -- just go to the Field Day Station Locator website <http://www.arrl.org/field-day-locator> and follow the

instructions. ARRL Field Day is the most popular on-the-air operating event in Amateur Radio. On June 25-26, join tens of thousands of Amateur Radio operators as they gather for a public demonstration of the Amateur Radio Service.

==> ON THE AIR: TRANSATLANTIC AMATEUR RADIO BALLOON LAUNCH

The Project Blue Horizon 5 high-altitude transatlantic balloon is scheduled for launch, weather permitting, on Wednesday, April 27, from Oswego, New York. The Project Blue Horizon team is attempting to break current Amateur Radio high-altitude balloon records for distance (3361.81 miles) and duration (49 hours, 45 minutes). The payload will be carried beneath a 54,000 cubic foot capacity helium-filled balloon cruising between 85,000 and 100,000 feet. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/transatlantic-amateur-radio-balloon-flight-postponed>.

==> + ARRL WEST GULF DIVISION TO HOST WEBINAR ON ANTENNA ZONING

Periodically, ARRL Divisions will host a "webinar" -- an interactive Web-based seminar, designed to facilitate communication between a small number of presenters and a large remote audience using the Internet -- for interested amateurs. On Wednesday, April 27 at 9 PM (EDT), ARRL West Gulf Division Director David Woolweaver, K5RAV -- along with ARRL General Counsel Chris Imlay, W3KD, and noted antenna zoning lawyer Fred Hopengarten, K1VR -- will present Antenna Ordinances, You and the ARRL. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-west-gulf-division-to-host-webinar-on-antenna-zoning>.

==> + HQ NEWS: ARRL HQ TO CLOSE IN OBSERVANCE OF GOOD FRIDAY

ARRL Headquarters will be closed in observance of Good Friday on Friday, April 22. There will be no W1AW bulletin or code practice transmissions that day. ARRL Headquarters will reopen Monday, April 25 at 8 AM Eastern Daylight Time. We wish everyone a safe and enjoyable holiday weekend.

==> + POSTAGE PRICE INCREASE NOW IN EFFECT

On Sunday, April 17, the US Postal Service increased the price to mail certain items within the US and abroad, affecting the price of sending a QSL card within the US. While the cost to mail a 1 ounce piece of first class mail within the US stays at 44 cents, the cost of mailing a postcard increased one penny, from 28 cents to 29 cents. Click here <http://www.usps.com/prices/welcome.htm?from=home_lgpromo&page=NewMailingPricesApril2011>
for more information on all the postal increases.

==> VOTING NOW OPEN FOR MAY QST COVER PLAQUE AWARD

Now that you've thumbed through and read the May 2011 issue of QST cover-to-cover, we're sure that an article -- or three -- sticks in your mind. So go ahead and cast your vote <http://www.arrl.org/cover-plaque-poll> for your favorite article in the issue. The article with the most votes will receive the QST Cover Plaque Award.

- Supporting Portable Antennas Without Guy Wires by Dave Fisher, KG0D/7
- A Transmitter for Fox Hunting by Mark Spencer, WA8SME
- An Emergency Backup Solar Power System by Jim Talens, N3JT
- A Junk Box Power Line Frequency Monitor by Arthur Glazar, W2NN
- 3B8EME -- Moonbounce from the Indian Ocean by Eltje Veen, PA3CEE, Johan Meezen, PE9DX, and Rene Hasper, PE1L
- Youth DX Adventure #1 by Don DuBon, N6JRL, and Dave Kalter, KB8OCP

The QST Cover Plaque award -- given to the author or authors of the best article in each issue -- is determined by a vote of ARRL members on the QST Cover Plaque Poll Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cover-plaque-poll>. Headquarters staff members who write articles are not eligible to receive votes.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "The Sun came out today" Cook, K7RA, reports: Both the average daily sunspot numbers and solar flux were both higher for the week, with sunspot numbers up more than three points to 93.1 and the solar flux up by 8 points to 117.2. Geomagnetic activity was a bit lower -- with April 20 being the most active day -- after a coronal hole on the Sun spewed a solar wind at high speed. Currently, there are four sunspot groups visible, and we could see a geo-magnetic disturbance today from a slow-moving coronal mass ejection. Look for more information on the ARRL website on Friday, April 22. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by John Fogerty's Centerfield <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Centerfield_%28song%29>.

==> ARRL SEEKS BOOK EDITOR

The ARRL is seeking a Book Editor to manage the production of ARRL books and other publications, ensuring that they meet ARRL standards. The successful applicant will be responsible for managing the progress of all book materials through the production process, tracking current book inventory and scheduling reprints or new editions as needed, authoring new books and other materials, and editing and formatting manuscript materials provided by authors to ensure correct grammar, punctuation and style. Applicants must hold an Amateur Radio license, a Bachelor of Arts degree in English, Journalism or equivalent, and 5 to 10 years of experience as a professional newspaper, book or magazine editor, or corporate technical writer. For more information, including a complete job description and application details, please see the Employment Opportunities page

<http://www.arrl.org/employment-opportunities> on the ARRL website.

==> + SILENT KEY: WORLD RADIO LABS FOUNDER LEO MEYERSON, W0GFQ (SK)

Leo Meyerson, W0GFQ, of Omaha, Nebraska, passed away on April 13. He was 100. In 1935, Meyerson, an ARRL Life Member, founded Wholesale Radio Laboratories -- the forerunner to World Radio Labs -- in Council Bluffs, Iowa. For his contributions to Amateur Radio, Meyerson was named the 1997 Ham of the Year at the Dayton Hamvention. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/world-radio-labs-founder-leo-meyerson-w0gfq-sk>.

==> ON THE AIR: DXCC APPROVES TWO TRISTAN DA CUNHA AND GOUGH OPERATIONS

ARRL DXCC Manager Bill Moore, NC1L, reports that two operations on Tristan Da Cunha and Gough -- the 2010 ZD9AH operation and the 2010-2011 ZD9T operation -- have been approved for DXCC credit. "If you had these operations rejected in a recent application, please send an e-mail <dxcc@arrl.org> to the ARRL DXCC Desk," Moore said. "Please note that due to heavy e-mail volume, you may not receive a reply. Results will appear in Logbook of The World (LoTW <https://p1k.arrl.org/lotwuser/default>) accounts, as well as online on the daily listings <http://www.arrl.org/dxcc>."

==> THIS WEEK ON THE RADIO

This week:

- April 22 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder 0230Z-0300Z, Apr 22
- April 23-24 -- South Dakota QSO Party; 10-10 International Spring Contest (Digital); SP DX RTTY Contest; Helvetia Contest
- April 25 -- Low Power Spring Sprint
- April 27 -- SKCC Sprint; 432 MHz Spring Sprint (local time)
- April 27-28 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

Next week:

- April 29 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- April 30 -- BARTG Sprint 75
- April 30 May 1 -- Nebraska QSO Party; Florida QSO Party; SBMS 2 GHz and Up WW Club Contest (local time); QRP to the Field
- May 1 -- AGCW QRP/QRP Party
- May 3 -- ARS Spartan Sprint
- May 4-5 -- MIE 33 Contest

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more info. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- April 22-24 -- ARRL Idaho State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/idaho-state-convention-1>, Boise, Idaho
- April 23 -- ARRL Louisiana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/louisiana-state-convention-twin-city-ham-radio-
fest>,
Monroe, Louisiana; ARRL North Carolina State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/north-carolina-state-convention-raleigh-hamfest
>,
Raleigh, North Carolina
- May 7 -- ARRL South Carolina State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/south-carolina-state-convention-upstate-hamfest
>,
Spartanburg, South Carolina
- June 3-5 -- ARRL Northwestern Division Convention (SeaPac)
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/northwestern-division-convention-seapac-1>,
Seaside, Oregon; ARRL Wyoming State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/wyoming-state-convention>, Cheyenne,
Wyoming
- June 4 -- ARRL Atlantic Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/atlantic-division-convention-rochester-hamfest-
1>,
Rochester, New York; ARRL East Bay Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/east-bay-section-convention>, Berkeley,
California; ARRL Georgia State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/georgia-state-convention-atlanta-hamfest>,
Marietta, Georgia
- June 10-11 -- ARRL National Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arrl-national-convention-ham-com-2011>,
Plano, Texas
- June 11 -- ARRL Tennessee State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/tennessee-state-convention-1>, Knoxville,
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*** SPECIAL NOTE FROM EDITOR (by KB8NW): I was able to put together a short bulletin before leaving for Murfreesboro. Have a great holiday weekend.... 73 de Tedd KB8NW

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Saturday, 16-April, through Friday, 22nd-April there were 230 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5V, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, CY0, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FS, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HK0/a, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH8, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T31, T32, T7, T8, T9, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TU, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3A, MONACO. Andrea, IZ2LSC, will be active as 3A/IZ2LSC from Monaco during the weekend of April 30th and May 1st. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW and SSB. He plans to use a light multi-band vertical antenna with 100 watts. Andrea requests to PLEASE be patient with him because he is a newbie on CW . QSL via LoTW or by the Bureau via his home callsign. He suggests to follow him on Twitter at: @iz2lsc

5R, MADAGASCAR. Giorgio, IZ4AKS, will be active as 5R8KS in another Micro-DXpedition, this time from Nosy Be Island (AF-057) between May 31st and June 6th. Activity will be holiday style on 40-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via IZ8IYX. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 7025, 10105, 14025, 18075, 21025, 24895 and 28025 kHz
SSB - 7085, 14270, 18155, 21295, 24945 and 28495 kHz
RTTY - 7040, 10145, 14080, 18105, 21085, 24920 and 28080 kHz
Visit the 5R8KS Web page at: http://www.dxcoffee.com/5r8ks

9J, ZAMBIA. Chris, ZS6RI (ex-ZD9IR, 5H9IR, EL8RI), will be active as 9J2RI from Zambia for a year or two. However, operations will be on a "6 week on/6 week off" due to his work schedule (6 weeks off he will return home to South Africa). Activity will be on all HF bands using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via LoTW or direct to: Chris J de Beer, Box 333, Bethlehem, GA 30620 (w/SASE [USA] or SAE w/return postage for other countries). Bureau QSLs are OK, but very slow. LoTW will be uploaded at least once every 6 week rotation, and probably even weekly. Bureau cards will be sent annually.

9M8, WEST MALAYSIA. Mirek, VK6DXI, will once again be active as 9M8DX/2 from Kuala Lumpur between April 25-30th. Activity will be limited since this is a business trip, but he will operate on some CW during his local evening hours. QSL via SP5UAF.

ASIAN AND IOTA TRIP. Vincent, F4BKV, plans to be active as VR2/F4BKV from a small apartment on the 35th floor in the Lai Chi Kok area (Kowloon side), in Hong Kong, between April 27th and May 6th. He will use a balcony vertical mobile antenna with a Yaesu FT857D. He also plans to be active as YB9/F4BKV from Bali (OC-022), Indonesia, between May 7-9th. Activity from both locations will be casual using low power (100w) and operating SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via LoTW, by the Bureau or direct. Logs of his activities are available online at: http://www.f4bkv.net
If you want a QSL by the Bureau, you can request it by AE-mail or via the Online QSL Request System. No need to send paper QSL.

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, Awards Branch Manager, reports that the following has been approved for DXCC credit:
ZD9AH • Tristan Da Cunha & Gough; 2010 Operation
ZD9T • Tristan Da Cunha & Gough; 2010-2011 Operation
If you had these operations rejected in a recent application send a note to dxcc@arrl.org to have your record updated. Note, due to extremely heavy e-mail DXCC may not respond to your message. Once updated, this will be reflected in your LoTW account or in the live, daily DXCC standings on the Web site. (www.arrl.org/dxcc).

EM25, UKRAINE (Special Event). In connection with 25th anniversary of the accident at the Chornobyl Nuclear Power Plant, radio amateurs from the "Ukrainian State Centre of Radio Frequencies" together with a number of Ukrainian radio amateurs will operate from Chernobyl city between the period April 22-30th, using the callsign EM25U. QSL via UT3UZ: Alex Arbuzov, P.O. Box 7, Kiev-232, 02232, Ukraine.

HB0, LIECHTENSTEIN. Operators Tony/IZ3ESV, Gabriele/I2VGW and Andrea/IZ2LSC will be active as HB0/homecall between June 2-5th. The trio is planning a micro-light and holiday-style operation using CW, SSB and RTTY. The main focus will be on the 30/17/12 meters and the upper HF bands depending on the propagation. They will also try 6 meters. QSL via their home callsigns.

IOTA 50TH ANNIVERSARY MARATHON (Janaury 1st, 2012, through DECEMBER 31st, 2013). A press release by Roger Balister, G3KMA, RSGB IOTA Manager, states: "The year 2014 marks the 50th anniversary of the launch of the Islands On The Air (IOTA) Programme by British SWL Geoff Watts, BRS-3129. As a build-up to our celebrations on this occasion, the RSGB IOTA Manager and Committee announce an exciting activity period in which all licensed amateurs world-wide are invited to participate.
For a two-year period during 2012 and 2013, IOTA chasers are encouraged to contact as many different IOTA groups as possible, and IOTA activators to play their part by operating from as many groups as possible, with special emphasis on the less-frequently activated ones. The points system adopted rewards 'Activators' with higher scores for activating the rarer IOTA groups. Certificates and awards will be available to both 'Chasers' and 'Activators' to reflect attainment of graduated bands of performance together with attractive prizes for top scorers.
The challenge provides a level playing field for everyone, whether they are complete newcomers to IOTA or are holders of the prestigious IOTA 1000 Islands Trophy, because everyone starts with a clean slate on 1st January 2012.
We hope that all our readers will consider ways in which they can support this event. We would like to see work starting now to schedule activity from as many IOTA groups as possible throughout the 24 months. Let us target 500 groups initially in the hope and expectation of being able to raise this higher as the Marathon progresses."
The complete rules of the IOTA 50th Anniversary Marathon will appear in the forthcoming 'RSGB IOTA Directory' to be released at Dayton. They can also be seen on G3KMA's website at: http://www.g3kma.dsl.pipex.com They will also be uploaded to the RSGB IOTA Web site shortly when key personnel return from Visalia at: http://www.rsgbiota.org

IOTA NEWS.....
AF-019. Members of the Valle Brembana DX and Contest Team (VBDXC) will be active as IG9E from Lampedusa Island (IIA AG001) between May 18-23rd. Operators mentioned are Enzo/IZ2GLU, Fabio/IZ2GMT, Andrea/IZ2AJE, Diego/IW2MZX and Ezio/IK2AHB. They plan to have three stations active simultaneously "on air" on various bands and modes. Special attention will be given to the 30/17/12 meter bands and the Digital modes. QSL via IK2AHB, by the Bureau or

direct. Visit the VBDXC Team's Web page at:
http://www.vbdxc.altervista.org

EU-016. Leo, S50R, will be active as 9A/S50R from the Island of Lastovo
(ACIA IC-869, CIA-23, IOCA CI-051, MIA MC-196, WLOTA 0815)
between April 25-30th. Activity will be on the HF bands, on
or near the usual island and IOTA frequencies. QSL via his
home callsign, direct or by the Bureau and the LoTW.

EU-079. Members of the QLF DX-Team will once again be active as LA6Q
from More Og Romsdal County South IOTA Group between April
29th and May 1st. Operators mentioned are Bjorn/LA5UKA and
Trond/LA9VDA. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB
and RTTY. QSL via LA9VDA. Cards can be requested via E-mail
at: la9vda(at)gmail.com
For a direct QSL, please add 3 USDs or 1 new and stamped IRC
and SAE. Cards without this will be sent through the Bureau.

EU-123. Members of the Camb-Hams will be activating the Isle of Arran
between May 1-8th. They will be operating as GS3PYE/P and
GS6PYE/P. Activity will be on all bands 160-2 meters, and
70cm via satellites. For VHF, the island lies in IO75. More
information is available at:
http://dx.camb-hams.com/dx-peditions/arran-dxpedition-11/
On Twitter at: http://twitter.com/g3pye
On Facebook at: http://facebook.com/ArranDX

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (April 25th-May 1st)....
Apr 25 AN SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS
Apr 26 HN --------------------
Apr 27 HN BN - Below Normal
Apr 28 HN-LN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Apr 29 HN-AN LN - Low Normal
Apr 30 HN-AN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
May 01 HN-AN DIS - Disturbed
VDIS - Very Disturbed

GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

OJ0, MAKET REEF. Operators Dervin/PD9DX, Marc/ON8AK and Max/ON5UR will
be active as OJ0UR from Market Reef (EU-053, ARLHS MAR-001, TWLHD WLH
OJ0-001, WLOTA LH-0542 and Admiralty C4472) between August 13-20th.
Activity will be on the HF bands using a Stepp-IR Big Vertical and a
Stepp-IR 2 element beam. QSL via M0URX, direct (w/SAE plus 1 IRC/2 USDs),
by the Bureau, or LoTW. Alternatively, QSLs may be requested using
M0URX's OQRS form at: http://www.m0urx.com/qsl-request-form
For more info, visit their Web page at:

http://www.united-radio.be/index.html

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated April 21st)

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4A0IARU via N7RO AO5WRD via EA4URE LW2DFH via EA5KB
5W8A via YT1AD AO7WRD via EA4URE OM75IHWC via OM5NA
9A3B via 9A1AA AO8WRD via EA4URE PJ2/DL6LAU via DL6LAU
A60WARD via EA7FTR BD6JJX via BA4EG XV2W via W6NWS
AO1WRD via EA4URE E7/DL2MHA via DL2MHA XV4YY via DH7WW
AO2WRD via EA4URE ED1URV via EA1URV YF1AR via N2OO
AO4WRD via EA4URE FP5BZ via F5TJP

9M6TMT QSL INFORMATION. As of April 18, 2011, Buzz, NI5DX, will no longer be assisting 9M6TMT as QSL Manager. Tom has decided to handle the QSL duty himself with assistance from his XYL. Please do NOT send any 9M6TMT cards to NI5DX either direct or via the Bureau.

DENMARK POSTAL RATE INCREASE. John, K9MM, was informed by OZ3PZ that international postal rates from Denmark increased on April 1, 2011. Two USDs are no longer enough for a letter to the USA. He requests either 3 USDs or 1 IRC. See his Web page for additional details at: http://oz3pz.dk/ox3xrweb/index.php?page=I

YF1AR QSL INFO UPDATE. QSL Direct/OQRS/W2 Bureau via QSM N2OO/Bob Schenck. Budi, states, "Do not send to my home QTH or my Bureau."

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 4O3A, 4Z1TL, 8P5A, 8P6DR, 9H1SP, 9K2MU, 9Q50ON, CN8KD, CT3MD, ES5GP, G3WPH, GW4OGO, HB9CVQ, HP1/IZ6BRN, HK1MW, IG9/IW9ELR, J39BS, JA0FVU, LX7I, MU0FAL, OK2CQR, PV8ADI, R7BN, RG4F, RU3ZX, SM0EJR, SV9CVY, XE1GZU, V44KAI and ZS1EL

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 4Z5RT, 5B8AD, 6W/AA1AC, CS2C, E21EJC, FM4LV, FM5WD, J37BO, J39BS, J5NAR, J68UN, J88DR, JE1LFX, JY5HX, KH0/G3ZEM, MJ/K3PLV, OH0BP, R1ANP, R1ANP/A, T88ZM, TO3A, TI5KS, TJ3AY, UA2FR, V51AS, VK4LDX/P, YO3FRI and ZL8X

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: NONE REPORTED THIS WEEK!

SHORT PACIFIC TOUR. By the time you read this operators Carlos/EA1IR and Hrane/YT1AD should be QRT as 3D2IR and 3D2AD from the Fiji Islands and should be now active as A35IR and A35AD from Tonga until April 26th, before heading back to Fiji for a few days (between April 26-29th). Both operators will finish their short Pacific tour from American Samoa as KH8/EA1IR and KH8/N9YU between April 29th and May 1st. QSL all the above callsigns for YT1AD and EA1IR via Carlos, EA1IR.

T31, CENTRAL KIRIBATI (Update). By the time you read this, T31A should be on the air. Some members of the team have opted out from the DXpedition before the team left Apia. Operators Charlie/W6KK, Carlos/EA1IR and Hrane/YT1AD decided not to go to Kanton island due to obligations and there was

no clear date on a return from the DXpedition. Also, there were some other personal reasons which made them decided not to board the boat. However, Carlos/EA1IR and Hrane/YT1AD made a decision to make a short DXpedition to some of the Pacific islands (See Short Pacific Tour). For updates on the T31A team, see the Web page at: http://www.T31A.com

T8, PALAU. Shigehiro, JA8CCL, is active as T88KR from the Palau Rental shack (See the following Web page at: http://palau.rental-shack.com/english)
until April 25th. QSL via his home callsign.

VU, INDIA. Operators Ren�/DL2JRM and Daniel/DL5SE are now active as VU3RYO from New Delhi until April 25th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW only. QSL via DL2JRM.

ZA, ALBANIA. Operators Mitko/LZ1UQ and Andy/LZ2HM will be active as ZA/homecall between April 26th and May 5th. Activity will be on all HF bands and 6 meters. Operations will be on CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via their home callsign using the info on QRZ.com.

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)

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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW

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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=help>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html

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Excerpts and distribution of The OPDX Bulletin are granted as long as KB8NW/OPDX/BARF80 receive credit. To contribute DX info, please send via InterNet Mail to: kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org - OR - kb8nw@arrl.net
Information can now be faxed to the following "NEW" phone line at:
1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)

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413. Welcome to rec.radio.info!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-22 06:00:04 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/rec-radio-info/welcome-1-1303452001@panix.com>
Source record: 4453
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.info,rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.answers,news.answers

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/rec-radio-info/welcome
Revision: 1.4 2008/02/09 19:36:10
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

*** Welcome to rec.radio.info! ***

Welcome to rec.radio.info, a group that aims to provide a noise-free
source of information and news for the entire rec.radio hierarchy.

Two introductory articles about rec.radio.info are posted to the group
every month. You are now reading the first article, which explains what
rec.radio.info is, and answers some Frequently Asked Questions. The
second article is titled Posting Guidelines, and you only need to read
it if you want to submit an article to rec.radio.info.

You can skip to the next section of this article by searching for the
next
" -- " string. The sections available are:
- What is the purpose of rec.radio.info?
- Why are messages almost always cross posted to rec.radio.info?
- What is a 'follow-up', and what does 'moderated' mean?
- OK, so now I know what 'moderated' means. Tell me more.
- What type of material is considered inappropriate?
- I do not have access to news, how can I get the information posted to
rec.radio.info?
- Will the material appearing in rec.radio.info be archived somewhere?
- I have a regular posting with timely information, is there a way to
speed up it's delivery, or automate for more convenience?

-- What is the purpose of rec.radio.info?

The purpose or charter of rec.radio.info is to provide the Usenet
community with a resource for information, news, and facts about any and
all things radio.

All the other rec.radio groups are intended for discussions and general
chit chat about radio. Rec.radio.info will contain informational,
factual articles only. Follow-ups are redirected to an appropriate other
group, and further discussion (if any) will not take place in
rec.radio.info.
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In order to ensure that rec.radio.info contains only appropriate articles, it was decided to create the group as a moderated newsgroup.

-- Why are messages almost always cross posted to rec.radio.info?

It provides a "tag" for each article to be assembled into a filtered presentation in rec.radio.info (even with cross-posting, only one message, with a unique Message-ID, is propagated across the net). This tag also facilitates a pre-existing method of dropping or canceling the articles locally within the discussion groups if you don't want to see them. This accommodates individuals who want to separate the bulletins from the discussions, discussions from the bulletins, as well as those who are adamant about not reading another newsgroup and wanted to see everything all in one basket.

With the total size of Usenet (in number of newsgroups and total traffic) doubling every year or so, this is no insignificant contribution to reducing information noise and chaos. Making the discussion groups a catch-all, and making extra newsgroups filters on that catch-all, is also the most realistic way to implement such a scheme (It's not intuitively obvious what the charter, contents, and general appropriate topics for each and every newsgroup are. Seeing FAQ's and charter/intro postings in the home newsgroup is beneficial for new readers).

By cross-posting one only is adding a few tens of bytes to each bulletin (to specify the extra group on the Newsgroups line), but are adding the capability for very powerful filtering features available on most news servers, listservers and readers. Your local news guru could probably explain these features in more detail.

In rn, for example, according to Leanne Phillips in her rn kill-file FAQ, add a line of the form:

/Newsgroups:.*[,]rec\.radio\.info/h:j

either in ~/News/KILL (if you don't want to see rec.radio.info articles anywhere) or ~/News/rec/radio/amateur/misc/KILL (if you don't want to see them just in rec.radio.amateur.misc). The latter method means your kill file will only be consulted during rec.radio.amateur.misc (and hence runs more efficiently), and will probably work for most people.

In nn, according to Bill Wohler in his nn FAQ, add a line of the form:

rec.radio.info:!s/:^

in ~/.nn/kill (if you don't want to see rec.radio.info articles anywhere), or put the following lines:

sequence
rec.radio.info
rec.radio.

at the end of ~/.nn/init in order to see all the rec.radio.info bulletins first, then read the remaining rec.radio.* without the

bulletins.

In slrn, according to the srln FAQ, the following scoring rule will | allow you to see rec.radio.info-crossposted bulletins, while still | filtering out most SPAM or "Velveeta" crossposted to more than 2 | newsgroups (as such articles usually do not contain a 'Followup-To:' | header): |

Score: -9999 |
Newsgroups: ,.*, |
~Followup-To: . |

More information about kill files may be obtained from Dave Fawthrop's Killfile FAQ at:

http://www.hyphenologist.co.uk/killfile/

-- What is a 'follow-up', and what does 'moderated' mean?

If you are new to Usenet and are not familiar with the terminology, you might want to read the general introductory articles found in the newsgroup news.announce.newusers. Doing so will make your life on the net much easier, and will probably save you from making silly beginner's mistakes.

If you think that at this moment you are reading an echo, a conference, or a bulletin board, I'd also strongly suggest a trip over to news.announce.newusers.

For the rest of this article, we will assume you have a basic knowledge of Usenet terminology and mechanics.

A moderated group means that any article that needs to be posted to the group has to be accepted by the moderator of the group. Since we need to ensure that followups to an article (discussion) do not show up in the rec.radio.info newsgroup, the `Followup-To:' header line contains a newsgroup that is appropriate for discussions about the specific article.

-- OK, so now I know what 'moderated' means. Tell me more.

Rec.radio.info is a moderated newsgroup, which means that all articles submitted to the group will have to be approved by the moderator first.

The current moderator of the group is the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team. Submissions to rec.radio.info can be posted, or e-mailed to:

rec-radio-info@panix.com

Comments, criticisms, suggestions or questions about the group can be e-mailed to:

rec-radio-info-request@panix.com

But before you do so, please be sure to check out the "Posting Guidelines" article.

The influence of the moderator should be minimal and of an administrative nature, consisting chiefly of weeding out obviously inappropriate articles, while making sure correct headers etc. are used for the appropriate ones.

-- What type of material is considered inappropriate?

There are three broad categories of articles which will be rejected by the moderator:

1) Requests for information: rec.radio.info is strictly a one-way street. We receive information in our mailbox; we then post it to rec.radio.info. Requests for specific information belong in the normal discussion newsgroups. If your request gets answered, you might consider passing the answer on to rec.radio.info, though. Especially if you can edit it into a informational, rather than a discussion, format.

2) Obvious discussion articles, or articles that appear unsubstantiated.

3) Commercial stuff: a relatively unbiased test of a radio product would be accepted, but any hint of for-profit might be reason for rejection. For three reasons: This is not the purpose of the list, for-profit is a controversial topic, and this list may be passed onto Amateur Packet Radio (where for-profit is prohibited except under certain provisos).

rec.radio.swap may be more deserving of the posting in any matter.

Similarly, copyrighted material generally cannot be used. If it's TRULY worthwhile to the net, We would recommend obtaining permission from the copyright holder. Please note the source, and if permission was given. We reserve the right to make the final decision concerning appropriateness in all situations. In most cases, a brief summary of, or pointer to, the copyrighted information may be all we can allow.

-- I do not have access to news, how can I get the information posted to rec.radio.info?

Google has an excellent web interface to Usenet newsgroups. It is available at:

http://groups.google.com

It supports both reading and posting.

Another excellent web interface to at least the radio-related Usenet newsgroups is the RadioBanter site:

http://www.radiobanter.com

sponsored by the NewsgroupBanter project:

http://www.newsgroupbanter.com

It, too, supports both reading and posting.

-- Will the material appearing in rec.radio.info be archived somewhere?

Yes. See Google Groups and RadioBanter above.

Effectively this means that anything you post to rec.radio.info will be permanently stored, so your work will not be lost.

-- I have a regular posting with timely information, is there a way to speed up it's delivery, or automate for more convenience?

Yes, there is! It may take a bit of chatter with the moderator, but we are willing to take responsible people and provide them the means of posting the articles directly from their site. We will try everything we can as we fully realize that DX (distant signal) and astronomical data can be somewhat transitory. We are also willing to allow regular posters of information the same courtesy, even if the information is not as time critical.

We refer to this as self-moderation, which is partly based on the model for rec.answers/news.answers. This requires co-operation and goodwill to be beneficial to the community in the rec.radio hierarchy.

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms about this article to rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

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414. rec.radio.info Posting Guidelines

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-22 06:05:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/rec-radio-info/guidelines-1-1303452300@panix.com>
Source record: 4454
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.info,rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.answers,news.answers

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/rec-radio-info/guidelines
Revision: 1.5 2007/03/22 16:30:49
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

*** rec.radio.info - Posting Guidelines and Etiquette ***

Two introductory articles about rec.radio.info are posted to this group
and to rec.answers/news.answers every month. You are now reading the
second article, which explains how to submit something to
rec.radio.info, and which answers some Frequently Asked Questions about
the submission process. The first article is titled "Welcome to
rec.radio.info", and it might be a good idea to check it out as well.

-- How do I submit something to rec.radio.info?

Two possibilities. You can use your newsreading software to just post
the article to rec.radio.info, as you would do with any other
newsgroup. The difference is that the software recognizes the special
status of rec.radio.info as a moderated group, and will e-mail your
article to us, the moderation team, instead of posting it to the group.

Alternatively, you can mail your article directly to us at the following
address:

rec-radio-info@panix.com

Mailing us directly is probably (a wee bit) faster, but using the
transparency offered by the newsreading software is probably more
convenient.

If you have any questions, or wish to deal with some administrivia with
the moderation team, we suggest mailing to the following address:

rec-radio-info-request@panix.com

-- How soon will I see my article appear?

It depends on how busy we are. Your article reaches us as mail, we have
to read it first, give it the stamp of approval, and finally send it on
to the group. We will attempt to read and decide on all submissions
within 72 hours at the very least, though we will probably be able to
process submissions much faster in actual practice.
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The site from which we moderate this newsgroup, "Public Access Internet and Unix, NYC" (Panix), is directly connected to the Internet, and articles posted at that site should appear at most major news sites, including Google Groups, the same day. The principal delay, therefore, will be the wait in the moderator's submission queue.

If you post a periodic article, and have shown to be trustworthy, we may allow you to post directly if the article is of a timely nature. See the section below on direct posting.

-- Should my article be in a specific format?

No. If it is not totally illegible, we will accept it, and if it does not have a correct subject-line we will correct it with your permission -- that's what a moderator is for.

However.

You could do us a big favor by making sure your article conforms to these simple requirements:

1) The article must present information, not discussion or requests, We will reject the article or require you to change the wording if it is worth it.
2) A good, descriptive Subject line.
3) Always mention what source you got the information from.
4) Don't forget to include a Followup-To header, at least if you don't want further discussion to automatically be forwarded to you, the poster, which is the default if the article is only posted to rec.radio.info.

As we said: if your article is appropriate we will post it even if you don't follow these guidelines, but then don't blame us for not processing it immediately. 'Perfect' articles we can send on with a couple of keystrokes. Stuff that needs minor editing is going to have to wait until we have time to do so.

Please do not waste both our and your time by posting requests, as this is an information only news group.

-- What about crossposting?

If you send something to rec.radio.info, just name any group you'd like to cross-post to in the Newsgroups field. Then, when we approve the article for rec.radio.info it will get automatically cross-posted to any other groups mentioned. This will also override the default Followup-To: poster, replacing it with the groups you cross posted to.

We would prefer if the group be cross-posted to the various discussion groups in the rec.radio.* hierarchy that are appropriate:

rec.radio.amateur.misc Amateur (ham) radio and related matters
rec.radio.amateur.packet Amateur Packet Radio discussions
rec.radio.amateur.policy Amateur Radio practices, rules, etc.
rec.radio.noncomm Non commercial radio discussions

rec.radio.shortwave International broadcasting on the 'HF' bands
rec.radio.cb Citizens Band (27 MHz) discussion
rec.radio.scanner Scanner discussions (unsupported group)

or in one of the moderated groups:

rec.radio.amateur.moderated Amateur radio practices, rules, etc.
rec.radio.broadcasting Discussion of *domestic* radio broadcasting

We will leave it up to the poster to decide which group(s) are appropriate, but reserve the right to add groups if we feel it has broader interest. We will consult with the poster first.

Notes on crossposting:

- rec.radio.broadcasting is also a moderated group. The rec.radio.broadcasting moderator prefers to review all articles himself before posting. Placing rec.radio.broadcasting before rec.radio.info on the Newsgroups line should accomplish this. We will typically abide by the rec.radio.broadcasting moderator's decision whether the article is appropriate for rec.radio.info.

- rec.radio.amateur.moderated is also a moderated group. As the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team manages both rec.radio.amateur.moderated and rec.radio.info, we can manage crossposting and approvals for both newsgroups. The rec.radio.amateur.moderated group does not allow crossposting to other discussion newsgroups, whether moderated or unmoderated. However, we would like to manage rec.radio.info as consistently as possible with how it was done by previous moderators, including the grandfathering of existing regular postings. Therefore, the submitter can choose rec.radio.amateur.moderated or the other unmoderated rec.radio.amateur.* discussion newsgroups for crossposting, but not both.

- Any FAQ or informational posting approved by the rec.answers/news.answers moderation team that is also crossposted to any rec.radio.* newsgroup (besides just rec.radio.info) is also automatically pre-approved for rec.radio.info. See below for more information.

If you post to another moderated group, it may be better to make special arrangements with both moderators before posting by contacting us at our administrivia addresses.

In addition, cross-posts do not take up extra space; modern newsreaders can be configured to show you cross-posted articles only once anyway; not everybody reads rec.radio.info; and rec.radio.info was never meant to reduce the volume of the regular discussion newsgroups. But keep in mind that some of the mail gateways may filter out the informational postings (at request of the subscribers) to keep the load down.

You decide.

-- I have a regular posting with timely information, can I make arrangements to help speed up delivery by posting directly from my site?

Yes, there is! It may take a bit of chatter with the moderator, but we are willing to take responsible people and provide them the means of posting the articles directly from their site. We will try everything we can as we fully realize that DX (distant signal) and astronomical data can be somewhat transitory. We are also willing to allow regular posters of information the same courtesy, even if the information is not as timely.

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If you are currently maintaining (or plan to maintain) a radio-related periodic information posting, you may wish to consider crossposting it to rec.answers/news.answers. Postings that are approved by the rec.answers/news.answers moderators for this treatment are automatically pre-approved for crossposting to rec.radio.info (as the news.answers requirements are far more rigorous than the requirements this newsgroup ever plans to use). For more information about this option, consult the appropriate information articles and posting guidelines in rec.answers/news.answers.

Realize also, that even if your post is not approved for rec.answers/news.answers, it can still be approved for rec.radio.info. The intention is not so much to get every last bit of radio-related information on rec.answers/news.answers, but rather to provide an alternative avenue of approval (as well as grandfather existing maintainers of radio-related information and spare them additional bureaucratic hurdles). Again, crossposting to either rec.radio.info or rec.answers/news.answers, both, or neither, is at the discretion of the poster (subject to the approval of the moderators). You decide what is most appropriate for your article.

Please remember that as an information maintainer, you are not alone. There are many others on the net who maintain and post periodic information postings, using various intermediate-to-advanced features of Usenet (usually via automated tools). Various degrees of technical support and general hand-holding are available from many Usenet veterans. Send us some E-mail describing your needs to our administrative address below, and we'll try to help, or at least refer you to the right knowledgeable individual(s).

-- And Follow-ups?

If the only newsgroup you have specified is rec.radio.info, then the Followup-To: field will always be set to poster. If you do not want this, you must supply a Followup-To line of your own, and we will honor that one, as long as it is a subset of the original Newsgroups line.

If you specify newsgroups to cross-post to, then the Followup-To field will be set to include all the cross-posted groups, excepting rec.radio.info itself. Again, if you do not wish this behavior, supply your own Followup-To line.

We maintain other standards on the various RFC-1036 (news transport) header lines. For example, if the article is appropriate for passing into the Packet Radio Information Network, we encapsulate the Packet Bulletin Identifier (BID) in the Message-ID: news header line indicating the machine of origin as the ampr.org domain:

Message-ID: <$opa.55.1994@ampr.org> |

where the Packet Radio BID, in this example, is `$OPA.55', and it was posted in the year 1994, because some of the Bid numbers are cycled yearly. Hopefully, this can be used as a key to re-introduce the articles for the Packet Radio network. Also, if the article is a repost of an already existing information article in the rec.radio heirarchy, we ensure that the References: header line is linked to that previously posted article. This also helps to tag articles, and may be used for additional filtering if needed.

Since the articles are archived, please use the Summary and Keywords header lines to help one search for your article.

-- Why have I received no reply from you?

We never reject anything in silence, and we make a point of it to answer all our mail. However, E-mail, like a brain cell, can and does get lost, every now and again.

So, if you send us something, and you don't see it appear it rec.radio.info, and you still have not heard from us in reply after say, five days, you can be pretty sure that either your mail never reached us, or that our answer has never reached you. In that case, please try again (We will filter out duplicates).

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms about this article to rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

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415. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1758 - April 22 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-22 09:00:22 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20110422090005.48F0033C54@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4455
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1758 - April 22 2011

(Please note that this weeks newscast runs 32 minutes, 32 seconds and contains three breaks)

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1758 with a release date of Friday, April 22, 2011 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. The FCC issues its decision on an appeal to keep law enforcement robots out of the 70 centimeter ham band, the one of two Global Simulated Emergency Tests is cancelled, post earthquake ham radio relief operations continue in Japan and ham radio says goodbye to one of the true legends of the hobby. Hear it all on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1758 coming your way right now.

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RADIO RULES: FCC ISSUES SPLIT DECISION ON CHALLENGES TO RECON ROBOTICS USING 70 CM HAM BAND

Call this one a draw so far on for ham radio. This as the FCC has given radio amateurs a partial victory and a partial defeat in response to a challenge by members of the Amateur Radio Service and its national society. This, to an FCC waiver permitting ReconRobotics, Inc. to domestically operate its surveillance robot called the Recon Scout in the shared 70 centimeter amateur band. We have more in this report:

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The FCC has denied several requests from the ham radio community, including an ARRL Petition for Reconsideration, of a rules waiver that permits the certification and licensing of the Recon Scout. This, to operate in the 430 to 448 MHz band.

In an Order on Reconsideration released on April 15, the FCC said that it found objections to use of 430 to 448 MHz as being unfounded. This based on the nature of the device, the way in which it must be sold and deployed, and that no other spectrum is as suitable for its operation.

In relation to the latter, the regulatory agency noted that operation of the Recon Scout in the 900 MHz band or high would require increased transmit power while still not guaranteeing the same quality of surveillance as afforded by operation on 70 centimeters. It also noted that the Recon Scout waiver states that these devices may not interfere

with federal or non-federal stations operating from 420 to 450 MHz and those agencies using the Recon Scout must accept any interference received from all other spectrum users. In other words, as applied to ham radio operations, its users could not complain to the FCC if it received interference from any Amateur Service operations, but hams could complain if they were interfered with by operation of a Recon Scout.

On the plus side, the FCC did grant a request from the ARRL for changes in the labeling and instruction manual requirements of the Recon Scout. This, to insure that users of the device are aware of its limitations in regard to interference to its operation. As a result, Recon Scout transmitters delivered after April 15th are required to carry a warning on its product label and in its instruction manual basically stating that the Recon Scout must accept any interference received from federal or non-federal stations, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

The FCC Order also acknowledged that the ARRL was correct in arguing that the waiver was insufficient in that it did not waive applicable provisions of Section 2.106 of the Commission's Rules, which contains the Table of Allocations of frequency bands to the various radio services. The Commission's solution was to retroactively waive the Table of Allocations to the extent necessary to permit distribution and use of the Recon Scout.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bruce Tennant, K6PZW in Los Angeles

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For those not aware, ReconRobotics bills itself as a world leader in tactical robotic systems. It claims that more than 1,200 of the company's robots have been deployed world-wide by the U.S. military and international friendly forces, federal, state and local law enforcement agencies, bomb squads and fire rescue teams. More about the company is on-line at www.reconrobotics.com. (FCC)

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RESCUE RADIO: MAY GLOBAL SET CANCELLED

There will be only one Global Simulated Emergency Test or GlobalSET in 2011. Writing on the IARU Region 1 website, Greg Mossop, G0DUB, the IARU Region 1 Emergency Communications Coordinator says that the only GlobalSET will happen November 12th from 1100 to 1500 local time.

According to Mossop, the cancellation of additional GlobalSET's this year is due to work pressures on the organizer who has limited the time to prepare reports from earlier events and properly set up the needed activities for the now cancelled Simulated Emergency Test which had been slated to take place in May.

The Emergency Communications Coordinators for Regions 2 and 3 have been consulted on the cancellation of the May event. Thus far neither has voiced any objections to the change. (Southgate)

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RESCUE RADIO: POST QUAKE HAM RADIO RELIEF EFFORTS CONTINUE IN JAPAN

Amateur radio relief operations are continuing to help with disaster recovery area struck by the worst earthquake in Japan in 140 years. We have more in this report from Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP:

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Ken Yamamoto, JA1CJP, is the International Amateur Radio Union Region 3 Secretary. He reports that there are several stations on 7.030 and 7.043 MHz who are handling medium distance information exchanges, but the majority of ham radio operations appear to be on the VHF and UHF bands.

As previously reported here on Newsline, JA1RL the headquarters station of the Japan Amateur Radio League in Tokyo, became a disaster communication center in the days immediately following the giant killer quake. Yamamoto is quoted as saying that some 250 transceivers holding Japan Amateur Radio League licenses are being used for communications between various refugee camps and local government offices. He says that two sets of 430 MHz repeaters have been delivered to the disaster area. They are operational and being used to augment the existing repeater coverage and provide easier communications between those using the hand-held transceivers.

JA1CJP says that some towns are so heavily disrupted that the local government offices are also serving as refugee centers and the residents are staying in multiple locations. In such cases, amateur radio can contribute quite a lot in maintaining the ties between the local government and displaced residents.

The earthquake, now graded at nine on the Ritcher scale, and followed by a tsunami hit north-eastern Japan on March 11th. It has so far been blamed for over 13000 deaths and the destruction one of Japan's major nuclear power facilities. That plant near Fukushima is still the site of an intense campaign to bring several damaged reactors back under control and stop the leakage of radio active waste water into the ocean.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP, watching the situation from Scottsdale, Arizona.

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It's expected that the ongoing emergency communications being provided by amateur radio will continue for a considerable time to come. A presentation on the Japanese earthquake triple disaster and the role played in relief efforts by radio amateurs will be made at the 2011

Global Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Conference. It's slated for in Sun City, South Africa, in August. (VK3PC)

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INTRUDER WATCH: BRAZILIAN FREEBANDERS HEARD ON 10 METERS

The IARU Region 1 Intruder Watch newsletter reports that Brazilian CB-like or so called Freeband stations using full carrier AM is now often audible between 28.000 and 28.305 MHz. Most of these stations are being heard in the evening hours. The report says that the Brazilian telecommunications regulator Anatal seems to have no interest in this problem or in keeping these stations from operating in the 10 meter Amateur Service band. (IARUMS -R1)

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INTRUDER WATCH: MOROCCAN FISHING FLEET HEARD ON 15 METERS USB

And Ulrich Bihlmayer, DJ9KR, says that he has not only heard a Moroccan fishery operations on 21 MHz using upper sideband, but that he has also researched the matter and has found out the ship names and other details. The vessels in question are registered in Agadir, Morocco. DJ9KR has already informed the Moroccan Amateur Association of the situation. (IARUMS - R1)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the Baton Rouge Amateur Radio Club repeater serving Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

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RADIO RECORDS: UK LIGHT COMMUNICATIONS DISTANCE RECORD CHALLENGED

The optical distance record claimed in the U-K may not be a record after all. Amateur Radio Newsline's Frank Haas, KB4T, has more:

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Since our light communications record claim story aired on last weeks newscast, we have received numerous e-mails and even a few phone calls that say the accomplishment in the U-K falls far short of other claimed distances set in elsewhere around the globe. In fact, the number of such claims far outweighs the space we have available to report them all.

But as pointed out by one of our listeners, the 90 kilometer distance claimed in the U-K is only about 56 miles and there are a number of well-documented communications over longer distances. This includes

one as early as 1962 in southern California. Another listener points out a more recent accomplishment over a 173 mile path.

But as another of our listeners also points out, there is really no official record-keeper of optical distance records. At least not here in the United States. This he says is partly because until very recently, the ARRL did not recognize non-coherent communications for contest purposes. Also, since the FCC does not claim to regulate communications above 400 GHz, some might question whether a QSO that does not require a license is really an amateur radio contact at all.

But the 90 kilometer contact we reported last week took place in the United Kingdom, and the way that light communications distance records are looked upon over there may be quite different than the way they are viewed on this side of the Atlantic, or the way that they are viewed elsewhere in the world.

For the Amateur Radio Newwsline, Im Frank Haas, KB4T, in Holly Hill Florida.

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The bottom line: If hams are going to lay claim to optical distance records, then what is needed is an organization respected and accepted by all of the worlds ham radio community to corroborate any claims made, and to declare who has set a valid record and who has not. (ARNewsline from listener input)

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RADIO LEGISLATION: CBO ESTIMATES THAT AR ENHANCEMENT ACT WOULD COST ABOUT $1,000,000

The Congressional Budget Office says that implementing the Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Enhancement Act, also known as S. 191, would cost about $1 million over the next five years. This, based on the fact that pay-as-you-go procedures do not apply to this legislation because it would not affect direct spending or revenues.

As written, the proposed legislation would direct the Department of Homeland Security to conduct a study on the uses and capabilities of the Amateur Radio Service during and after a disaster or emergency. The bill also would direct the Inspector General of the Department of Homeland Security to report to the Congress on the cost of grant programs operated by the Federal Emergency Management Agency and to what degree those programs provide duplicative or overlapping assistance.

The Congressional Budget Office estimates that based on similar past examinations, that the cost of producing both studies would be about $1 million in 2012. This, subject to the availability of appropriated funds. (Congressional release via WA6ILQ)

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D-STAR CORNER: A CHANCE FOR YOUR CLUB TO GET AN ALMOST FREE D-STAR REPEATER

ICOM America Inc. has announced a two week D-Star Deployment promotion that could bring D-Star operation to your local ham radio community.

>From April 25th to May 9th, your radio club can purchase either a 2 meter or 70 centimeter D-Star repeater package direct from Icom America for only $3000 plus shipping costs and any applicable taxes. What you get for your $3000 is a D-Star controller, a 2 meter or 70 centimeter D-Star R-F module and the G2 D-Star Gateway Software package. These are the three essential building blocks needed to bring D-Star to your area. You supply the necessary peripherals such as an antenna, power supply, a high speed Internet connection and of course a site to hose the new D-Star machine.

But the best is yet to come. If you can meet a number of requirements within 90 days from the date of purchase, Icom will refund the original $3000 purchase price excluding the taxes and shipping costs. These requirements include installing the new D-Star repeater in permanent location that you must identify at the time of purchase. Also, the machine must be fully operational on the U-S ROOT trust server with Icom G2 Gateway Software and within the requirements outlined by the U-S ROOT Administration team; have a minimum of 10 users registered on the repeater and you must guarantee to keep the system on air for minimum of one full year from date of installation.

This program is limited to the first 70 qualifying clubs located in the certain priority areas. Also, your proposed system cannot be located within a 100 aeronautical mile radius an existing D-Star repeater already on the air.

To see if your club qualifies for this rather enticing offer, please send a club bio and an outline of how your new D-Star repeater will be used in your community to DSTAR.Promo@icomamerica.com. (ICOM America release)

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HAMVENTION 2011: W5KUB TO AGAIN NETCAST FROM THE DAYTON HAMVENTION

Tom Medlin, W5KUB, says that he will one again be streaming live audio and video from the Dayton Hamvention. According to Tom, this will be the 9th year that he will be netcasting live on w5kub dot com beginning with his 550 mile ride from his home in Memphis, Tennessee, right to the Hamvention site at the Hara Arena in Dayton.

The W5KUB dot com webcast from Hamvention has become very popular over the years, especially with folks who have never attended Hamvention or have no way to get there. Tom tells Newsline that there are viewers are in over 150 countries and during the 2010 Dayton Hamvention broadcast, he had over 50,000 hams watch and follow us for the entire show.

And during this years netcast, Tom will also be giving away over $5000 in prizes to give lucky viewers. Some of the prize donors include Heil Sound, Kenwood, Yaesu, MFJ, Kantronics, LDG and the ARRL. That alone is something that you won't want to miss.

So if you cannot make it to Hamvetion 2011, you can attend vicariously from May 18th to the 22nd thanks to Tom Medlin, W5KUB, and his crew at W5KUB dot com. (W5KUB)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: 2011 QCWA NATIONAL CONVENTION - SEPT 7 - 9

The QCWA 2011 National Convention this year will be held September 9th to the 11th at the Crowne Plaza Hotel at the Crossing, Warwick, Rhode Island. A partial list of presentations include QRP Made Easy by Steve Kercel, AA4AK. Al Coderman, W3ZD, will will present a history of his fathers ham radio operation from 1912 to 1985 while Phil Temples, K9HI will detail his volunteer work with the HandiHams Program. More about this gathering is on-line at www.qcwa.org/2011-convention.pdf. (QCWA)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: ATLANTA RADIO CLUB TO TURN 100

And congratulations to the Atlanta Radio Club Announces which is celebrating its 100th Anniversary with a series of events. Among these is a joint special event operation on May 6th, 7th and 8th in conjunction with Coca-Cola's 125th anniversary. The call sign to be used will be K-Zero-K. Then on June 4th, the club will take part in the 82nd Atlanta Hamfest, where it will release its 100th Anniversary archive DVD. June 25th and 26th will see the club operating station W4DOC slash 100 during Field Day.

By way of background. the Atlanta Radio Club is a special service club affiliated with the American Radio Relay League and has operated continuously since 1911. Currently it is comprised of more than 150 licensed amateur radio operators with a mission to serve the community and advance the hobby. As part of these missions it provides more than 10 local repeaters. For more information on the club and the plans for its 100th anniversary celebration, please visit www.atlantaradioclub.org. (Atlanta Radio Club)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: NASA HONORS JSC FIRST FLIGHT DIRECTOR

NASA's first flight director says he regrets that the shuttle program is coming to an end because he believes it's the finest spacecraft ever built. Christopher C. Kraft said after a recent ceremony honoring him at the Johnson Space Center that he thinks space shuttles could be used for another 30 years and could take us to the moon or even Mars.

The 87 year-old Kraft was NASA's first flight director for human spaceflight and helped create the concept of Mission Control. He also

directed the Mercury and Gemini flights and was a part of the team that put men on the moon during the Apollo program. He went on to serve as director of Johnson Space Center from 1972 to 1982.

At the ceremony, the Johnson Space Center unveiled its new name for Mission Control. Its new designation is the Christopher C. Kraft Jr. Mission Control Center. (NASA)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

(5 sec pause here)

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HAM RADIO NEAR SPACE: PROJECT BLUE HORIZON ACROSS THE ATLANTIC

Yet another attempt to float a balloon carrying ham radio gear across the Atlantic may be taking place as we go to air. Project Blue Horizon, a multi-year effort to design, construct, and launch an amateur radio carrying balloon was expected to be launched on April 22nd at 03:30 U-T-C.

According to predictions posted at the Project Blure Horizon website, the balloon will leap skyward from near Oswego, New York and then follow the Jetstream out over the Atlantic. During the flight, radio amateurs around the world are being asked to monitor 7.1023 and 10.1466 MHz CW. It will also carry a GPS based APRS tracker outputting the call KC2ZJH on 144.390 MHz FM. The High Frequency downlink exact frequencies may vary up to 10 hertz or so with temperature and accurate recording of frequency will be useful.

Anyone hearing any of these three signals is asked to send reception reports of the balloon's progress by e-mail to PBH15.data(at) gmail (dot) com. More information about the program, including the latest projected flight path, can be found on-line at www.projectbluehorizon.com (KC2TUA, Project Blue Horizon, Southgate)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: ARISSAT-1 GAGARIN COMMEMORATIVE A FAILURE

The planned operation of ARISSat-1 on April 11 and April 12 from inside the International Space Station as part of the commemoration of the 50th anniversary of Yuri Gagarin's flight was not successful. As of airtime, not one terrestrial station on the ground reported hearing transmissions on the ARISSat-1 downlinks of 145.950 MHz for FM analog or 145.920 MHz for digital.

The planned retransmission of the satellite's FM downlink via the Kenwood TM-D700 transceiver used for ARISS regular contacts was also not successful. This, as no reports were received of signals heard on 437.550 MHz. (ANS)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: FASTRAC SATELLITES RECEIVE OSCAR DESIGNATIONS

The two newly launched University of Texas FASTRAC satellites now have OSCAR designations. According to Bill Tynan, W3XO, who issues the OSCAR titles, FASTRAC 1 is now FASTRAC OSCAR-69 while FASTRAC 2 has the honor of being renamed FASTRAC OSCAR-70. In making the OSCAR designations public, AMSAT-North America says that it is very pleased to welcome F Oh-69 and F Oh-70 into the family of amateur radio satellites. (ANS, W3XO)

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DXCC: TWO OPERATIONS APPROVED FOR CREDIT

ARRL DXCC Manager Bill Moore, NC1L, reports that two operations on Tristan Da Cunha and Gough have been approved for DXCC credit. The two are the 2010 ZD9AH operation and the 2010 through 2011 ZD9T operation.

According to Moore, if you had these operations rejected in a recent application, please send an e-mail to the ARRL DXCC Desk. He also says that due to heavy e-mail volume, you may not receive a reply, however updates will be posted in Logbook of The World accounts as well as online on the daily listings. (ARRL DXCC)

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In DX, word that EI9FBB will be operational April 20th to the 22nd portable 3A from Monaco. Listen out for him mainly in the European afternoons. QSL direct to EI9FBB.

YL2GM will be active as from Azerbijon as 4K3AC between April 25th and May 3rd. Operation will be on all of the High Frequency bands using 100 atts and operating CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via YL2GM.

The special calls 4X20HC and 4Z20HC have been aired over the past two months to celebrate the 20th Anniversary of the Holyland Contest in Israel. The calls will remain on the air until the end of April. This is a good opportunity for the prefix hunters to get a couple of new ones. QSL only via 4Z4TL.

M0DOL and M0NNH will be active as GB4RW on April 29th to celebrate the Royal Wedding of Prince William and Catherine Middleton. QSL via the information fund under GB4RW on QRZ.com.

Lastly, a group of Brazilian operators are off to the island of Mayotte where they plan to use the call TO2FH through April 25th. Operation is on all bands from 160 through 10 meters using SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK.

Plese do not send paper QSL's either direct or via the bureau. The only acceptable way to get your TO2FH QSL will be electronically via dxwatch dot com. Full QSL information in several languages is on the TO2FH page on QRZ.com.

(Above from various DX News Sources)

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BREAK 3

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

(5 sec pause here)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: GOODBYE TO WRL FOUNDER LEO MEYESON, W0GFQ

And finally this week we take a look back at the amazing life of a man who devoted most of his century on Earth to electronics and especially amateur radio. Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, is here with the story of Leo I. Meyerson, W0GFQ:

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In my 52 years as a ham, I only met Leo Meyerson, W0GFQ, twice. The first time was in the early 1960's at some radio store meet and greet -most likely in New York. The second time was at the 1997 Dayton Hamvention banquet where W0GFQ was honored with the prestigious Radio Amateur of the Year Award.

Yet in some ways its like he has been a close friend for years. That's because some of the best contacts I ever made on the air was with a Globe Scout 680A transmitter that came from the manufacturing plant of his famed World Radio Labs -better known in ham radio circles simply as W-R-L. But I do have several friends who knew him a lot better. In fact, one of them, Joe Eisenberg, K0NEB, of Lincoln, Nebraska, was lucky enough to have W0GFQ as a family friend and the person brought him into the hobby:

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KONEB: "Leo was a close friend of my parents, and at the age of 7 I was introduced to ham radio when thet took me to his house and he sat me next to him and he made a couple of contacts on HF. Following that, a couple of days later my father took me to his store and factory at World Radio Labs in Council Bluffs which is right across the river from Omaha where I lived. And my dad purchased me a Hallicrafters S-120 general coverage receiver which Leo showed me how to use. And (also) one of those kits that makes several different devices by wiring

components to terminals. And that's how I kind of got started building kits.

"After that, every once in a while we would go back over there. My dad would find me more kits to build and we would talk to Leo more. And when I got older Leo got me registered and signed up for the Novice classes which were held in their factory where they built the Globe and later the Galaxy radios. And that's where I learned my CW.

"And during that time period I got to watch my very first HF radio being built step by step. Each week it would be further down the assembly line. At the very end of the class we bought that radio. It was a Galaxy GT 550."

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According to Joe, Leo Meyerson was more than a radio manufacturer. He was in many ways an ultimate Elmer, especially to those just joining the hobby.

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K0NEB: "Leo was always a very kind individual and very helpful. He always had suggestions and was always glad to show someone how to set their mic gain, how to tune up a radio properly, what to llok for, how to set up an antenna and all sorts of things. He was always willing to help new hams and get them started.

"And he was definitely my personal Elmer. He sat down with me for my very first Novice CW QSO and kind of walked me through the paces so I knew what to do."

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Only a few weeks ago on February 24th, the Quarter Century Wireless Association hosted a 100th birthday celebration for Leo Meyerson at his winter residence near Palm Springs, California. One of those attending was film and TV producer Dave Bell, W6AQ, who shared this personal vignette of his encounter with W0GFQ, at that event:

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W6AQ: "Well I've known of Leo Meyerson ever since I got into ham radio because his beaming face was in all of his ads for World Radio Labs in all of the magazines. And I desperately wanted to get a couple of his AM amplifiers back when I was young, but I couldn't afford them. And I told Leo that several times - and he just smiled."

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Leo Meyerson, W0GFQ, was not only there at the dawning of the electronic communications age. He was quite literally one of the pioneers who made it happen and who also made it available to all of mankind. And in the process he lived to see telecommunications grow

from the age of spark gap transmitters and crystal receivers to the modern broadband systems we all enjoy today. It must have been truly exciting for him and he was a blessing to all of us.

Sleep well Leo. Your job is now complete.

I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF

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Leo Meyerson, W0GFQ, was laid to rest on Sunday, April 17th at the Temple Israel Cemetery Chapel in Omaha, Nebraska. The man may be gone, but the legacy he left behind will be a part of our service as long as any of us are left to sit down before a radio with a mic or key. (ARNewsline(tm))

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB, the Southgate News and Australia's WIA News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is Newsline (at) arnewsline (dot)org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California, 91350

And a reminder that the nominating period for the year 2011 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award is now open. Created by Newsline back in 1986, this award is offered to recognize one young United States or Canadian radio amateur age 18 or younger for his or her contributions to society through Amateur Radio.

As in years past, the 2011 recipient will receive an expense paid trip to the Huntsville Hamfest in Huntsville Alabama courtesy of Vertex-Standard Corporation which produces Yaesu brand amateur radio gear. Vertex-Standard will also present this years winner with a special ham radio related gift. CQ Magazine will again treat the recipient to a week at Spacecamp-Huntsville. We at Amateur Radio Newsline will present the winner with a plaque honoring his or her achievements.

All nominations and materials required by the official rules must be received by ARNewsline before June 30, 2011. A downloadable nominating form is at our website at www.arnewsline.org. A nominating form can also be obtained by sending a request along with a self addressed stamped envelope to the Young Ham of the Year Award in care of Amateur Radio Newsline, Inc. 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California 91350.

Again, the cutoff date for this year's Young Ham of the Year Award nominations is June 30th. We ask you to do your part by nominating a

young ham who has done something special related to ham radio. The nomination form is at www.arnewsline.org

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Jim Damron, N8TMW, and I'm Jeff Clark, K8JAC, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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416. MMMonVHF Newsletter 2011-04-22

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-22 10:38:48 UTC
From: MMMonVHF News Mailer <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <201104220952.p3M9qibG002490@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 4456
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our lastet NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2011-04-22
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter, once a week (thursday)
from now on - if any special activities will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further detail please be so kind and watch our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you vy welcome for any
input and we do hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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** MOST WANTED SQUARES & DXCCs at the VHF-DX-Portal of MMMonVHF **

Just in advance of the active meteorscatter time of the year
(as well gd EME condx and the MS showers in may and june) we would
like to remember that these services are only as good as YOU (as
the USER) are doing UPDATES at our different sources...
Please do yourself and all of us the favour and check and update
periodical the following links and tools - last chance!!!

eMWS (MOST WANTED SQUARES) >>> www.mmmonvhf.de/emws.php
MWDXCC (MOST WANTED DXCC) >>> www.mmmonvhf.de/dxcc.php

We will spread the Result 24 of april, as easter present ;-)
Thanks in the name of all USER of MMMonVHF and the team which is
always trying to pass you as soon as possible the latest News...
SOURCE: Guy, DL8EBW, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

** MMMonVHF and the 144 MHz SPORADIC E saison 2011 **

The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF normaly does not publish reports for
Sporadic E on frequencies below 144 MHz. However, it seems that the
season is on it's way as there was some Sporadic E on 50 MHz to the
southwest. Also in 2011 we like to invite to to send your Sporadic E
logs to MMMonVHF. We will try to have them online as soon as
possible. Be aware that this is not an automatic process so it takes
to to see your log show up in the list. No need to send it twice the
same day! ... more: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/es.php
SOURCE: Frank, PA4EME, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

** Log 144 MHz DXpedition to Isle of Man (GD) **

Hello all, The log is online now:
http://www.df2zc.de/hamradioresults/dxp/index.html
The rest will follow within the coming week.
vy Bernd DF2ZC, Frank DH7FB SOURCE: Bernd DF2ZC via EME reflector

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** QSL service for Ed, LU7DZ (SK) by Ray, WA4NJP **

Hello All. I have in my hand the log book of LU7DZ (SK), I am not
sure that all of his work is contained. The first entry is dated
20-4-86, a 144 MHz CW QSO with W5UN. The last entry is dated
10-10-09 a 432 MHz CW QSO with K1RQG. The log contains about
650 QSOs on 144 and 432. If you did not receive a QSL directly from
Eduardo and your QSO is within the above times, send me an email
with ?LU7DZ QSL? in subject, stating date, time, freq and mode. I
will look at log and reply I am having some QSLs printed and will
send to those who request and are verified by the log that I have
plus cost ($1 for stateside, $2 for others) please no IRC as my
post doesn?t like them?This will be an all summer project as there
are many noted as not QSLed , Please be patient Enjoy the hobby,
any mode, any time the moon is up, its our hobby...
SOURCE: tnx to Ray, WA4NJP, direct to MMMonVHF

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: PJ2 ; Square: FK52 ; FINISHED **
LOG and details at our REVIEW: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/review.php

Johan PA3FPQ, Jurgen PE1LWT and Rene PE1L was on travel (after their
PJ4X activity) to PJ2, the new DXCC Curacao in FK52NC. Its finished now!
The A-team dismantled this morning the PJ2/PE1L station. Within one
hour the Antenna system was down and finally we could use our dreamhouse
(Dushi Korsou www.vakantiewoningenincuracao.nl/Villa-Dushi-Korsou.html)
where it was mentioned for, relaxing at the pool. While swimming around
we discussed the pro and cons of the expedition and we made a list of it
Even new trips to exciting places where discussed. Total results for the
PJ2 trip are 245 inits in 41 countries on 144MHz. We made tropo qso with
PJ4X Meteorscatter with WP4G (beside a EME qso), A CW qso with OZ1HNE on
144 MHz. A CW qso with DL9KR on 432 MHz. 12 QSOï¿½s on 432MHz via EME
PJ4X will be still active at 144MHz till the end of April and the
results will be published then... About sponsoring: All sponsors for
PJ2 expedition will be mentioned on the website
www.emelogger.com/curacao?page=sponsor and tomorrow our maid will pick
blind folded 10 callsigns out a bowl for the shorthand sunglasses.
All stations who do send extra money with QSL card will be mentioned on

this page as well (10$ or more) About QSL: All QSL wil go via PE1L and we kindly ask you to keep in mind that if you want QSL from both countries that you include enough to cover the costs. A order for QSL cards will go out soon, based on earlier experience with the printer, this can take some time (C56EME cards where lost in mail and are resend now) You can see your QST status on the log page and www.emelogger.com/curacao and www.emelogger.com/bonaire
If you do a logsearch you can see if you are in the log, if your card is received and if our card is send to you.If you have a non confirmed QSO with PE1L, PE1LWT or PA3FPQ please send your card with the card for the expedition. SOURCE: tnx to Rene, PE1L and Team, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: xxx ; Square: xxx ; Start: 2011-05-09 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3766

Frank, DL8YHR, will be on his next EME-Trip from 09.05 to 13.05.2011 somewhere in Asia. For my next Activity i will run 2m and 70cm For 2m i will use a 28xp yagie by DF7KF and some 700w For 70cm i do have no Antenna yet..will see...Power some 300w Activity will be from Moonrise to Moonset like always...if no Mountains or buildings dont know yet... Hope noiselevel will be ok..
SOURCE: tnx to Frank, DL8YHR, direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** Grid Trip DN00/01/02/03/04/11/12 by Dennis, K7BV **

LATEST NEWS from K7BV Dennis, dated 2011-04-14: Below is the operating schedule as I know it today for my 6 Meters DNxx Grid Trip Apr 19-29. The trip is based on a roundtrip drive from Southern California to Boise, ID for a Hamfest. My wife and I will make the trip in our SUV recently outfitted for portable 6m operating. Barry KS7DX will be my Pilot Station and serve as my contact person. Barry will have my cell phone number. SOURCE: Dennis K7BV @ Reflector
Take details and schedule from: www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3760
LATEST NEWS from K7BV Dennis, dated 2011-04-17: Plans for the DN Grid Trip are coming along smoothly. Below is the revised schedule for the trip with a few changes included...but all the grids still covered. DN14 is now included as a result of moving the DN04 operation to a DN04/14 border. I have also noted a possible stop on the way home on the DM17/18 border if I can determine there is enough interest... we would have to rely on evening instead of morning rocks... Weather Alert: The current weather forecast for the first half of the trip includes rain and snow. The grid stops are generally at an elevation where snow will be possible. I hope this less than perfect weather will not slow me down or otherwise affect the schedule. If it does,

I will immediately get the word to Barry KS7DX so that he can post that news... 2011-04-19: My cancer doc today gave me the final green light to make the trip so my wife and I will depart as planned early Tuesday AM. The weather forecast for the first grid stops continues to be unfavorable but I will do my very best to deal with whatever Mother Nature has to throw at me. SO CHECK OUT FOR DENNIS....

** 6m from 5W0GJ in AH36un **

In order to provide the most possible advance time for stations to get ready, I am now announcing the upcoming 6m EME DXpedition from the northeast corner of Savai'i Island, Samoa during the final week of August, 2011. License and airline tickets are now in hand.
The planned operation schedule, DXpedition details and Google Earth photo of the operating QTH are shown on my web page:
http://www.bigskyspaces.com/w7gj/Samoa2011.htm
As you can see on the above website, any contributions are gratefully being accepted. Last year's operation from 3D2LR resulted in contacts with 52 different stations via 6m EME (26,000,000 miles' worth of contacts), and there are more and larger stations QRV now, so I sure will do my best to try to better that record...
SOURCE: tnx to Lance, W7GJ, direct to MMMonVHF
SUBSCRIBE and/or Read more: www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3769

** 5R8KS Micro-DXpedition by IZ4AKS **

5R8KS plans to be on the air from the morning of the 31th of May to the 6th of June 2011. It will be operated by Giorgio, IZ4AKS. QSL via IZ8IYX. Special TNX to Giorgio & Co to have put the DX ITALIA Logo between Sponsors. info on: http://www.dxcoffee.com/5r8ks/
SOURCE: Oreste, IZ8EDJ via Reflector

** Mariana Isl., AH0, qrv HF and 6m **

Kan, JJ2RCJ/AB2RF, will be active as AH0/AB2RF from the Saipan Rental Shack on Northern Mariana Island between May 1-5th. Activity will be focused on RTTY and PSK. QSL via JJ2RCJ. For more details about the Saipan Rental Shack, see the following Web page at:
http://saipan.rental-shack.com/english/index.html
SOURCE: (Sixitalia Weekly) 16 Apr. 2011 - 5 May 2011

** Malpelo Isl., HK0, qrv on HF and 6m **

Members of the DXColombia Amateur Radio Club (DXARC, HK1NA) have announced that the next DXpedition to Malpelo Island will be in 2012, using the callsign HK0NA. All efforts/organization has been made by

the Colombian group Team Leader Jorge Prieto, HK1R. The international team will consist of 8 Colombians and 4 foreigners. Operators mentioned currently are Jorge/HK1R, Jahm/HK1T and Pedro/HK1X. Activity will be on all bands and modes (allowed by Colombian laws). More details are forth-coming. A Web page is under construction and is available at: http://hk0na.wordpress.com
SOURCE: (Sixitalia Weekly) 16 Apr. 2011 - 2012

** PP0T from Trindade Island on HF and 50 MHz **

Junior, PY2ZA, will be active as PP0T from Trindade Island (IOTA SA-010, DIB OC-02, WFF PYFF-065, WLOTA 2851) from 29 April to June 2011. The Brazilian Navy has re-scheduled their journey to Trindade for 25 April 2011, with arrival expected four days later. QRV on all HF bands, plus 6 metres, using SSB, CW, RTTY, PSK and maybe SSTV. QSL via EB7DX. Website: trindade2011.com/
SOURCE: [dx-world.net] via ICPO Bulletin (15-22 April 2011)

** KD5ZZK/P on SOTA W5/MA-001 in EM35ee **

Tuesday 26th April 2011 15:00Z KD5ZZK/P on SOTA W5/MA-001 in EM35ee, 50.125-ssb, My first activation attempt.
SOURCE: (Posted by KD5ZZK) via Andy N8OFS GOT6??? direct to MMMonVHF

** VE9AA qrv in May as Newfoundland, as VO1TTT/M **

I will be active aprox May 7-16th from many grids all across VE9, VE1 and (mostly) Newfoundland, as VO1TTT/M using 100w and a large vertical (HS-1800/Pro). This will be holiday style and not a dedicated expedition, but I will probably call CQ beacon style while in motion (QRG to be determined) QRV from 40m thru 2m, mostly CW and concentrating on 6m. May also monitor 28.885MHz when no 6m prop. No Internet access while mobile. 73
SOURCE: Mike VE9AA/VO1TTT via The UK Six Metre Group Announcement

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** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php) to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 2359 UTC ...

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The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF - Newsletter Credits & Info
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Our Newsletter is compiled from the input of the USER of the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF and as well by a lot of free usable HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats

like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USER who did send us info and News **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/kontact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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417. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 24th April 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-22 15:00:31 UTC
From: Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk
Message-ID: <20110422150005.9800333C54@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4457
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 24th April 2011

The news headlines:

* Royal Wedding Prefix NoV deadline looms

* QSL arrangements for Royal Wedding Prefix

* Radio Spectrum for the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games

The deadline for UK amateurs to apply for a Royal Wedding prefix expires at 6pm on Tuesday 26 April. If you want to be able to use GR, MR or 2R, according to your licence type, you must apply for a free Notice of Variation before that time. Details are on the Society's website at www.rsgb.org.uk/weddingcall. All NoVs will be provided by close of business on 28 April. Please note that no postal applications can be accepted and all NoVs will be sent by e-mail.

As the Royal Wedding prefix GR, MR and 2R replaces the traditional regional locator for G, M and 2 callsigns, it has been necessary for the QSL bureau to create a temporary special sub group to handle the expected large influx of cards. Martin Coles, G0VXC has kindly accepted the challenge of handling GR, MR and 2R calls. NOV holders wishing to receive incoming cards must deposit separate, C5 size, stamped and numbered envelopes with him, clearly showing the special callsign in the top left hand corner. Please be advised that in line with conventional GB cards, special Royal Wedding QSLs will not be re-directed via the home callsign or QSL manager, even if it is written on the card. Contact details for Martin, G0VXC are as per the RSGB Yearbook and RSGB website.

As expected, the RSGB has been approached by Ofcom to help determine sections of the 70cm amateur band that could be released for a limited period around the London 2012 Games next year. As a secondary user of the band, we as radio amateurs have no specific rights to any of those frequencies. Rather than just imposing changes, Ofcom has approached the Society in the spirit of cooperation to work together to solve the problem. The RSGB intends to work constructively on this matter to reach agreement with Ofcom on the segments that can be released on a temporary basis. Ofcom has given clear and unambiguous assurance that the segments used will be returned once the London 2012 Games are over. The RSGB is looking closely at how the spectrum is used in the designated geographical areas in and around London, Weymouth and South Essex in order to minimise the impact. We will be responding to Ofcom

shortly. The RSGB's response is being coordinated within the RSGB Spectrum Forum by Murray Niman, G6JYB.

The RSGB and BATC have worked together over the last couple of years to webstream the Society's AGM via live video. BATC again offered the facility this year. The RSGB has considered its position and has reluctantly taken the decision that this year it would not be prudent to go ahead with live streaming. BATC has accepted the Society's position on this but hopes to be able to offer the Society the facility again in 2012. The RSGB Contest Committee holds short evening contests each week, in which individuals compete and can also build up a score for their Affiliated Society. These take place on 80m on various modes, and also on bands from 6m to 3cm. The Committee is pleased to announce that the SHF contests, covering 13cm, 9cm, 6cm and 3cm, have been extended from 2 hours to 2&#65533; hours because of their increasing popularity. Please go to www.rsgbcc.org for more information.

We have been made aware of a scam that is currently being operated via email to obtain money from unsuspecting radio amateurs. An email, purporting to be from a well known amateur and signed with that amateur's first name, explains that they have been mugged in some foreign city, losing passport and money. Needless to say, it requests financial support to get the amateur out of difficulties. Several different prominent callsigns have been used by the scammers. Members may like to be aware of this, so that they can ignore such bogus requests.

The RAIBC audio reading team has updated the Foundation Licence Course talking book to the latest edition of Foundation Licence Now. The disks are produced with the permission of RSGB for the use of anyone with visual impairments, text reading difficulties or disabilities that restrict the ability to read printed material. The disks are available post free for the use of VI and dyslectic students and all the RAIBC ask in return is a small donation to funds to cover the cost of the disk and packing and to further their work for amateurs with disabilities. RAIBC has an expert team with experience of assisting amateurs with disabilities and if you require any help in a personal capacity or as an instructor please contact the RAIBC Helpline on 08000 141 743 or email russell.bradleyg0okd@ntlworld.com. Full details of RAIBC Services and activities are available at www.raibc.org.uk. The RAIBC would like to thank the authors of the books for the excellent material and the RSGB for permission to copy them to audio format.

A new QSL sub manager has been appointed for the G0V series. John Joll, G0TQT now holds both the G0U and V series as a single group. Details can be found on the RSGB website. G0V call holders need to send new envelopes to John as soon as possible. The bureau has recently learned that the family of the former manager, the late Peter Eames, M0AXD, returned all SAEs to the originators direct and there are none available to transfer.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

We are not aware of any rallies taking place over the Easter weekend, 24 and 25 April.

The Dambusters Hamfest will take place on 1 May at Thorpe Camp Visitor Centre, Coningsby, Lincs LN4 4PE. Entry is £3 and under 12s are free. There is free parking and overnight camping is available. The doors open at 10am and there will be an RSGB bookstall.

Monday 2 May sees the Dartmoor Radio Rally take place at Tavistock College, Crowndale Rd, Tavistock, Devon, PL19 8DD. Doors open at 10.30am and there will be trade stands and a bring & Buy. More details can be obtained from Peter, M1AYI on 01822 860277. Now for the news of special events

The Spirit of Speyside Whisky Festival will take place from 28 April to 2 May. Moray Firth Amateur Radio Society is celebrating this event by running three Special Event stations. GB3SWF will be located at Strathisla distillery, GB2SWF will be at the Craigellachie Distillery and GB4SWF will be at Cragganmore Distillery. A commemorative QSL card will be sent to all stations that contact the club during the weekend.

Sands Contest Group is running a special event station to celebrate the Royal Wedding between Prince William and Kate Middleton. Weather permitting they hope to run four stations using the callsign GB4HRH. They will be on air between 10am and 5pm on Saturday 30 April and Sunday 1 May. All QSL cards should be sent as EQSL. Details are available on QRZ.com.

Tamworth Amateur Radio Society will be operating GB1WK on Friday 29 April from 2pm hours to celebrate the wedding of Prince William to Kate Middleton. Operation will be on HF and 2m.

A team of GMDX members will activate Lunga in the Treshnish Isles 28 April to 1 May. Treshnish Isles are one of the rarer British IOTAs, EU108, and Islands Of Scotland Award NH17. There will be two stations on the air from Thursday 28 April through to Sunday 1 May. Equipment will include K3s, amplifiers and verticals near the waters edge. Operation will be on the 10m to 80m bands using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL cards should be sent direct to MM0BQI. Bureau cards should be requested from gb5ti.qsl@gmail.com. Cards will sent out in June.

GB4FPR will be on the airwaves for Marconi Day on 30 April. In addition to the normal amateur frequencies they will also be transmitting on 502 to 503kHz CW, replying on the same frequencies to suitably equipped stations and crossband to 3570 or 7030kHz for non suitably equipped stations. Signal reports are welcomed and QSLs should be sent to M0BZZ direct or via the bureau.

M0HAZ & Thorpe Camp Museum ARG will be active on 5MHz from the WW2 Museum on 30 April from 9am to 1pm using CW and from 1pm to 5pm on SSB. They will be using the callsign M0HAZ/A/TCM and will be looking for SINPO reports. For more information please go to www.m0haz.btck.co.uk.

Ballymena ARC will be participating in the Steam Traction Rally at Shanes Castle, Antrim on 1 and 2 May. They will be putting on displays of amateur radio for the public as well as activating the castle as part of castles and stately homes on the air Northern Ireland. The club will be using callsign GN4KPT, utilising all modes and bands.

On Saturday 30 April, subject to weather for landing, two members of the Barry Amateur Radio Society will be activating a Marconi Day International Special Event Station from Flatholm Island located in the Bristol Channel, which is IOTA reference EU 124. They plan to operate on many of the HF bands and perhaps also via amateur satellites when access is possible using the callsign GB4MBC. On Friday 29th and Sunday 1 May also look out for them using the club callsign GB4BRS/P. Further details will be posted on QRZ.com. And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

Mirek, VK6DXI will be active as 9M8DX/2 from Kuala Lumpur, West Malaysia on 25 to 30 April. This will a business trip with some CW activity during the local evening hours. QSL via SP5UAF.

Francois, ON4LO will be active on 10 to 40m SSB as F/ON4LO/P until 4 June. He plans to operate from a few lighthouses during his trip. QSL via his home callsign, direct or bureau.

Ben, DO1BEN and Barbara, DO1IQ will be active as OZ/homecalls from Lolland Island, which is IOTA reference EU-029, until 30 April. They will operate SSB and some RTTY and PSK31 on 10 to 80m. QSL for both via DO1BEN, either direct or via the bureau.

Look for Noel, OO4O to be active as OZ/OO4O from Fyn Island, which is IOTA reference EU-172, between 1 and 6 May. He will operate mainly SSB on the HF bands. QSL via the Belgian QSL bureau and LoTW.

The XF2P expedition to Isla de Lobos, which is IOTA reference NA-221 has a website at http://xf2p.puebladx.org. Twelve operators will be active on 80, 40, 20, 15, 10, 6 and 2 metres between 29 April and 1 May. QSL via XE1P, direct or bureau.

Now the contest news

The IRTS 2m Counties Contest takes place for two hours on Easter Monday, 25 April between 1300 and 1500UTC. Exchange a report and serial number. Irish stations also give their county. In each of the five entry categories there are awards for the top station outside of EI. Although the outside-EI awards usually go to someone in GI, several categories often attract no entries at all from outside of EI, which looks like a clear opportunity for certificate hunters to get themselves some wallpaper.

Tuesday 26 April sees two contests taking place between 1900 and 2130UTC. The first is the 50MHz UK Activity Contest. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator. The other contest is the SHF UK Activity Contest. Again using all modes on the 2.3GHz and up bands, the exchange is signal report, serial number and

locator.

The BARTG Sprint 75 Contest takes place on Saturday 30 April from 1700 to 2100UTC. The rules can be found on the BARTG website www.bartg.org.uk/index.asp. Look under the contest tab.

And now the solar factual data for the period from the 11th to the 17th of April, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on the 12th of April.

On the 11th a small sunspot appeared and grew rapidly into a complex group. This was joined by another complex group that rotated into view during the 13th. Between them they produced numerous C class solar flares every day. Other smaller groups were visible but they remained stable and quiet. Solar activity was low every day but increased to moderate levels on the 15th when an impulsive M1 solar flare took place. These solar flares had little effect on propagation. What they did though was to increase solar flux levels from 106 units on the 11th to 129 by the 15th. The average was 116 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 17th was 103, that's two units up on last week. X-ray flux levels increased from B3 units to B6.2 by the 15th. The average was B4.9 units. Geomagnetic activity started at quiet levels but on the 12th the Ap index increased to 23 units due to the effects of a recurring coronal hole disturbance. This continued into the 13th when the Ap was 14 units but after that quiet conditions returned. The average was Ap 10 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds increase from 300 kilometres per second on the 11th to 670 by the next day. Speeds then gradually declined back to 320 kilometres per second by the end of the period. Particle densities were low except for the 11th which saw an increase to 22 particles per cubic centimetre. Bz varied between minus 2 and plus 4 nanoTeslas on the quiet days and between minus 9 and plus 13 nanoTeslas during the 12th.

And now the solar forecast. This week the quieter side of the Sun is expected to be rotating into view. Saying that, solar activity should be low on most days and a slight chance that activity could increase to moderate levels, especially during the next couple of days. Solar flux levels should decline and be around the 110 mark by the weekend. Geomagnetic activity is expected to be at quiet levels at first but towards next weekend a coronal hole disturbance could arrive and consequently activity will increase. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 23MHz for the south and 20MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be about 10MHz. Paths this week to the east coast of North America should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 22MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 17MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 1600 and 2100 hours. Sporadic-E should take place on some days where small openings could occur as we are still at the start of the summer season.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your

transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS On Monday 25 April Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is operating at Crickley Hill. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548478, daytime.

On Monday 25 April South Birmingham Radio Society is closed for Easter Monday. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Monday 25 April South Normanton Alfreton & District Amateur Radio Club is closed for Easter Monday. Details from A Lawrence, 2E0BQS, by email to adylawri@btinternet.com.

On Monday 25 April Stratford Upon Avon District Radio Society is having an informal evening. Contact G0CHO, on 01608 664488.

On Tuesday 26 April Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 26 April Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is having a practical evening. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Wednesday 27 April Hinckley Amateur Radio Society is having a workshop evening. Details from John, M0JAV, on 07836 731544.

On Wednesday 27 April Lincoln Short-Wave Club is having a talk on the future of amateur radio by RSGB President Dave Wilson, M0OBW. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

On Wednesday 27 April Midland Amateur Radio Society is having laptop computer training classes. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 01214 229 787.

On Wednesday 27 April Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on the history of telegraph keys by Roy, G4WPW et al. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday 28 April Leicester Radio Society is having a talk and demo on digimodes including Airlink Express by Kevin, G1GEV. Contact Alex, G8FCQ, on 0753 120 1640.

On Thursday 28 April Salop Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. Details on the club website at www.salop-ars.org.uk. On Thursday 28 April South Birmingham Radio Society is having training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Friday 29 April Coventry Amateur Radio Society is having a radio workshop evening. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777363.

On Friday 29 April Lincoln Short-Wave Club is keeping the shack open all day as a Royal Wedding- free zone. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

On Friday 29 April Nunsfield House Amateur Radio Group is celebrating the Royal Wedding. Details from Ken Frankcom, G3OCA, on 01332 720976.

On Friday 29 April South Birmingham Radio Society is having a construction evening.. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Saturday 30 April Lincoln Short-Wave Club is in the shack. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND On Monday 25 April Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is closed. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 0191 477 0036.

On Monday 25 April Bolton Wireless Club is having a social get-together at The Three Pigeons. For details, send an email to boltonwireless@gmail.com.

On Monday 25 April East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is on the air. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Monday 25 April Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is closed. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 25 April South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is holding its monthly technical forum. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 0161 969 3999.

On Monday 25 April Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is closed. Details on the web at www.tcars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 26 April Chester & District Amateur Radio Society is conducting radio operations at Waverton Institute. Details from Barbara Green on 07957 870770.

On Wednesday 27 April Hambleton Amateur Radio Society is having a demonstration of Peak test equipment by Tony, G8FLV. More information from Tony Wilson, G3MAE, on 01609 881530.

On Wednesday 27 April Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by G3TLI. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240573.

On Wednesday 27 April Mid-Cheshire Amateur Radio Society is o the air and having an activity night. Contact Peter Paul Fox, G8HAV, on 01606 553401. On Thursday 28 April Grimsby Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on D-Star by Andy, G0VRM. Contact Cliff, G4YHP, on 01472 328 830.

On Thursday 28 April Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club night on the air. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 0787 608 5631.

On Thursday 28 April South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having a talk on the Pickaxe chip by Dave, G4UGM. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 0161 969 3999.

On Thursday 28 April Wakefield & District Radio Society is holding its AGM. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563117.

On Friday 29 April South Tyneside Amateur Radio Society will commence their weekend of operations at Souter lighthouse for International Marconi day. Details at www.starsradio.co.uk.

On Friday 29 April East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is having a radio magazines evening. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Saturday 30 April Grimsby Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. Contact Cliff, G4YHP, on 01472 328 830.

On Saturday 30 April Wakefield & District Radio Society continues its Foundation, Intermediate and Advanced licence courses. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563117.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND No news items have been received for Northern Ireland this week.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday 26 April Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having Morse code practice. Details from Norman, on 07740 946192.

On Wednesday 27 April West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society has Solder Group homebrew projects & licence training. More information from Fred Coombes, 2M0BIN, on 01415 715512.

On Thursday 28 April Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is having a video night. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663.

On Friday 29 April West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society is having presentations, guest speakers, a quiz and a raffle. More information from Fred Coombes, 2M0BIN, on 01415 715512.

On Sunday 1 May the Scottish Borders Repeater Group will be holding its AGM at 3pm in the Focus Centre, Livingstone Place, Galashiels next. The group operates 6 repeaters in the South East of Scotland and ask any new members to e-mail info@sbrg.co.uk for more information.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA On Monday 25 April Coalhouse Fort Amateur Radio Society is holding a Youth Day. Contact John Parker, M1DUC, by email to coalhouserad1o@yahoo.com.

On Tuesday 26 April Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720815.

On Tuesday 26 April Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is having a club net night. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Tuesday 26 April Dorking & District Radio Society is having a talk on PIC chips by Paul Swarman, G0ODP. Contact Garth, G3NPC, on 01737 359472.

On Tuesday 26 April Harwell Amateur Radio Society is having a shack activity night. Contact Malcolm, G8NRP, on 01235 524844.

On Wednesday 27 April Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on getting started on the air, mobile, portable & CW practice. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday 27 April Havering & District Amateur Radio Club is having an informal evening. More information from John, M0UKD, on 07890 222111.

On Wednesday 27 April Newbury & District Amateur Radio Society is having the first of a series of lectures by Tony Crake, G0OVA, on his life with the BBC working with HF Tx, TV Centre and outside broadcasts. For more information contact Rob, G3LMW, on 01635 862737.

On Wednesday 27 April Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on IOTA by Martin Atherton, G3ZAY. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898678.

On Wednesday 27 April Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is putting GX3WOR on the air. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816684.

On Thursday 28 April Bittern DX Group has its monthly meeting at Pinewood Park. Details from Linda, G0AJJ, on 01692 404154.

On Thursday 28 April Echelford Amateur Radio Society is holding a Bring & Buy plus CW practice and a natter night. Contact John, G4GSC, on 01784 451898.

On Thursday 28 April Edgware & District Radio Society is having a talk on stealth radio by Steve, G0PQB & others. More information from Mike, G4RNW, on 0208 950 0658.

On Thursday 28 April Horsham Amateur Radio Club is having a social evening at The Limeburners Arms, Newbridge. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk.

On Thursday 28 April King's Lynn Amateur Radio Club is having a club night and 2m club net. Contact Ray, G3RSV, by email to ral-g3rsv@supanet.com.

On Thursday 28 April Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a club night at shack. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564242. On Thursday 28 April Reading & District Amateur Radio Club is visiting Martin Lynch. Details from Pete, G8FRC, on 01189 695 697.

On Thursday 28 April Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on how not to design a boiler house by Paul, M0PSW. Details from David, G8UOD, on 01234 742 757.

On Friday 29 April Harlow & District Amateur Radio Society is having a general chat night. More information from R C White, G0AGO, by email to G0AGO@aol.com.

On Friday 29 April Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a surplus equipment sale. Contact Peter, G4AKG, on 01444 239371.

On Friday 29 April Waterlooville Amateur Radio Club is having a quiz. Details from Rich, G4IBW, on 02392 680852.

On Friday 29 April Wimbledon & District Amateur Radio Society is closed. Contact Andrew Maish, G4ADM, on 020 8335 3434.

On Saturday 30 April Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is operating from the Marconi Hut, Sandford Mill for International Marconi Day. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Saturday 30 April Harlow & District Amateur Radio Society is running a special event station from the club for International Marconi Day. More information from R C White, G0AGO, by email to G0AGO@aol.com.

On Saturday 30 April Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is operating GB0CMS from Caister Lifeboat Station. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898678.

On Sunday 1 May Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is having a breakfast meeting in Goring cafe. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816684.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST On Monday 25 April Bristol RSGB Group is having a talk on meteor detection with the GRAVES radar by Dr Dave Knight, G3YNH. Details from Robin, G3TKF, on 01225 420442.

On Tuesday 26 April Blackmoor Vale Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on Clansman by Peter, M0PDM. Contact Tony, G0GFL, on 01258 860741.

On Tuesday 26 April West Devon Radio Club is holding an open evening with visits and chats from local clubs. Further information from Jules Cuddy, M1AGY, on 01752 291588.

On Wednesday 27 April Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417048.

On Thursday 28 April Newquay & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on measuring VHF beam radiation patterns using Polarplot by Keith Holland, G3MCD. Contact Joe Bell, M6JOE, on 01726 891557. On Thursday 28 April South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695471.

On Thursday 28 April Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is closed. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317750.

On Friday 29 April Cornish Radio Amateur Club is operating GX4CRC at Perranarworthal Church Hall. Non members are welcome. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844939.

On Friday 29 April North Bristol Amateur Radio Club is having an operating evening. More information from Dick on 01454 218362.

On Friday 29 April Torbay Amateur Radio Society has cancelled its 90/10 sale. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

On Saturday 30 April Cornish Radio Amateur Club is celebrating International Marconi Day GB4IMD. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844939.

On Sunday 1 May Cornish Radio Amateur Club is running special event station GR4CRC at Perranporth airfield. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844939.

NEWS FOR WALES On Monday 25 April Llanelli Amateur Radio Society is closed. Contact Craig, MW0MXT, on 01269 840292.

On Thursday 28 April Marches Amateur Radio Society is on the air, having a natter night and welcoming the return of Dave CTO's construction group. For more information contact Dave, MW0AYM, on 01691 777242.

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In the news today:

SOCIKWA REAPPOINTED TO ICASA COUNCIL

ARISSAT SILENT ON YURI'S NIGHT

SARL MEMBERSHIP NOW AT 1533

ATTEND DAYTON HAMVENTION VIA WEBCAST

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting news items.

SOCIKWA REAPPOINTED TO ICASA COUNCIL

The Minister of Communication has reappointed Dr Marcia Socikwa to the Council of ICASA. After graduating at the University of the Witwatersrand, Dr Socikwa completed her postgraduate studies at City University and the University of Stirling in the United Kingdom. She has served as Acting Executive Director: Corporate Affairs, Deputy Chair of the Department of Communication Science and Senior lecturer and Section Head of the Telecommunications Programme at the University of South Africa. She was involved in projects commissioned by the International Telecommunications Union (ITU) and USAID.

She served in national policy review committees and in the ICT Empowerment Charter working group. She has contributed towards projects dedicated to increasing regulatory capacity in the region through a regional body known as Nettel@Africa. She has also presented several papers on a variety of regulatory issues, ranging from interconnection to trade in e-commerce.

Dr Socikwa chaired the recent public hearings on the draft Frequency Spectrum Regulations.

ARISSAT SILENT ON YURI'S NIGHT

It was disappointing that ARISSat did not transmit from the International Space Station to celebrate Yuri Gagarin's first flight of man into space. Many antennas were pointed skywards but nothing was heard. Lou MacFadin, the principal designer and builder of ARISSat, recently had a teleconference with his Russian colleague. It emerged that the Russian suit battery that was intended for use on ARISSat was used during testing both on the ground and on board the International Space Station when it first arrived. When it was tested prior to the planned April 12 operation, it was discovered that the battery was low on charge.

The suit's battery is specified for only five cycles of charge. It was decided to not recharge the battery at this time in order to keep the number of cycles as low as possible and thus saving the battery for the actual mission. That deployment is currently scheduled for July 26.

MacFadin said, 'We are still trying to get more information on the storage status and the battery health from the Russian team.' For more on ARISSat, visit www.amsatsa.org.za.

SARL MEMBERSHIP NOW AT 1 533

This week we welcome the following new members to the SARL. We trust that our association will be mutually beneficial:

ZS1ABV - Anthony van Tonder ZSL1014 - Gabriel Swart ZSL1016 - David MacGregor ZU5GB - Graham Bowles ZR1LSK - LS Kirstein

With the new financial year ahead, we invite non-members to join now and enjoy member benefits free of charge during May and June. The fee for ordinary members is R380 which is payable on application. Details of the fees for other classes of membership can be found on www.sarl.org.za. Click on 'members' on the left-hand side of the home page.

ATTEND DAYTON HAMVENTION VIA WEBCAST

Tom Medlin, W5KUB, says that he will once again be streaming live audio and video from the Dayton Hamvention.

The W5KUB.com webcast from Hamvention has become very popular over the years, especially with amateurs who have never attended Hamvention or have no way to get there. Medlin says there are viewers in over 150 countries and during the 2010 Dayton Hamvention broadcast, he had over 50 000 radio amateurs watch and follow the entire show.

During this year's netcast, Tom will also be giving away over $5000 in prizes to lucky viewers. Some of the prize donors include Heil Sound, Kenwood, Yaesu, MFJ, Kantronics, LDG and the ARRL. That alone is something that you won't want to miss.

So if you cannot make it to Hamvention 2011, you can attend from 18 to 22 May thanks to Tom Medlin, W5KUB, and his crew at W5KUB.com.

NOMINATIONS FOR 2011 NSN RADIO AMATEUR OF YEAR AWARDS NOW OPEN

Nominations for the 2011 Nokia Siemens Networks Radio Amateur of the Year Awards are invited. There are three awards:

Garth Milne Technical Innovation Award

The award is made for the support, development and application of technological innovation in amateur radio in South Africa. The recipient will be a person who has promoted the use of technology in amateur radio at club level, nationally, at schools or tertiary education institution.

NSN Radio Amateur of the Year Award

The award is made for the support and development of the amateur radio service in South Africa, not for individual achievements such as DXCC and other operational awards or contests. The recipient will be a person who has given of his or her expertise and time to the promotion of amateur radio in South Africa.

NSN Amateur Radio Community Service Award

The South African Amateur Radio Development Trust annually recognises a radio amateur or a group of radio amateurs for service to the community.

Community service can be assistance to a handicapped radio amateur, communications support during a sporting event or a disaster situation like a road accident or a natural disaster like a flood, veld fires, or an earthquake. Nominations are invited for an individual or a group of people like a radio club, or an association.

Nominations close on 25 May 2011 and the awards will be presented on 8 June 2011 at the Midrand Protea Hotel. For full details and a nomination form visit www.amateurradio.org.za.

NO FORUM IN THE PUBLIC HOME PAGE

Following an overwhelming decision at the SARL Annual General meeting to limit participation in the forum to SARL members from 1 July 2011, the Council of the SARL has decided to remove the active forum slot from the public home page. It will remain on the members' only home page.

Till the end June 2011 non-members will be able to access the forum by clicking on the forum link at the top of the public home page. If you are not yet a member and would like continue to have access to the forums, join now. Application forms and rates are available on www.sarl.org.za, select members on the left hand page menu.

RTA in CAPE TOWN

Diarise Saturday 7 May 2011 when the SARL Radio Technology in Action Symposium will be held at the Cape Peninsula University of Technology. As in previous years it will be a great event with a mixture of presentations covering technology in amateur radio as well as operational amateur radio.

Learn about field programmable gate arrays (FPGA): how they work, where you can use them, and how they are used in amateur equipment. This presentation will show you how to start using FPGA in your projects.

Find out why amateur radio is a valuable resource for further education and how you can enhance your enjoyment of amateur radio.

The day will cost members R50 and for non-members R70. This includes refreshments and a light lunch as well as participation in the lucky prize draws throughout the day.

You can pay at the door or register and pay online at www.sarl.org.za - select RTA on the left-hand menu.

CONTEST NEWS

It is with great pleasure that Eddie Leighton, ZS6BNE, announces the winners in the 3rd RaDAR Contest.

68 stations were logged during the contest. The last date for log submissions was 17 April and the following logs and scores were taken into consideration:

Home stations: ZR6NGB, 104 points ZS2EC, 38 points ZS6A, 40 points ZS6GRL, 32 points with a check log

Field stations: ZS6XT, 468 points ZS6AGF, 128 points

RaDAR stations: ZS6AG, 792 points ZS6BNE, 360 points ZS2J, 252 points ZS1AFU, 144 points

Many thanks to all that competed.

On a special note, the log submitted by Pieter, ZS6XT, is one of the most complete, neatest logs Eddie has ever seen. Pieter also did very well in the contest. Those QRP signals were AWESOME!

The overall winner was Anton, ZS6AG, who worked as a 'True RaDAR' station and QRP. Congratulations, Anton!

Anton was assisted by Nico, ZS6MAJ, as Anton's eyesight is not good. Anton and Nico climbed a hill, carrying their equipment to the top. Their log was also well documented.

Anton and Nico will be receiving RaDAR shirts sponsored by Eddie, ZS6BNE.

Results of the second SARL 80 m Club Championship Contest.

Only 4 logs were received for the contest.

1st West Rand ARC, ZS6WR, 20 points from 2 logs 2nd Antique Wireless Association, ZS0AWA, 5 points from 1 log Dirk, ZS6AKU, submitted a check log worth 10 points.

Looking at the combined scores for the January and March contests, the results look as follows:

1st West Rand, ZS6WR, 162 points and 11 logs 2nd Antique Wireless Association, ZS0AWA, 51 points and 5 logs 3rd PEARS, ZS2PE, 17 points and 1 log 4th Sandton, ARC, ZS6STN, 9 points and 1 log.

ZS3 Sprint.

The ZS3 Sprint, a phone and CW contest on the 40 metre band, will be on the air on Sunday 1 May 2011 and runs from 14:00 to 15:00 UTC. This is a fun activity to promote contacts between radio amateurs in the Northern Cape and radio amateurs in Southern African countries. The exchange is RS(T) and provincial or country abbreviation.

The scoring for ZS3 stations is 1 point for a contact with a ZS3 station and 2 points for a contact with stations in other ZS call areas or Southern African countries. For stations outside ZS3, the scoring is 2 points for a contact with a ZS3 station and 1 point for a contact with stations own or other ZS call areas (excluding ZS3) or Southern African countries. Contacts with the Northern Cape ARC, ZS3NC, Namaqualand Aero Sport Association, ZS3FLY, or the Kalahari Karoo ARC, ZS3ARK, are worth 5 points each. Only one contact per station is allowed.

Log sheets shall be submitted within 7 days after the contest and can be sent by e-mail to zs3nc@qsl.net or by normal post to ZS3 Sprint, PO Box 1049, Kathu, 8446. The closing date for log submissions is 7 May 2011.

Marconi day celebrations.

The Boland Amateur Radio Club is airing a DX station with callsign ZS1BAK on Saturday 30 April, Marconi Day. The object of the station is to give amateurs and visitors the opportunity to experience this wonderful mode at first hand. The station will be on the air between 09:00 and 14:00 SAT from the Kuils River Voortrekker site. The preliminary frequencies are 3,520 and 7 020. Visitors are welcome to try their hand on different types of keys. The proceedings will close at 14:00 with a bring and braai. For more information contact Raoul, ZS1REC, at 082 466 4327.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is at moderate levels. Numerous C-class flares are taking place around sunspots 1193 and 1195 and the new sunspot 1196. The massive sunspot group 1193 stretches more than 130 000 km from end to end. Its leading dark core is more than three times wider than our entire planet. With such dimensions, you'd think the active region would be, well, more active;

but the behemoth is quiet, producing no more than a few minor C-flares over the past several days. So why is this giant so quiet? It has an uncomplicated magnetic field with relatively little mixing of polarities. Explosive magnetic reconnection is simply not happening. The situation could change if the sunspot's continued growth results in a tangling of magnetic field lines. For the people doing their own frequency predictions, the expected effective sunspot number for the week is about 60.

With the increase in the solar flux the improvement of the DX conditions are also very noticeable. DX openings are now once again occurring on a daily basis and even 6 m is showing signs of life.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

30 April - Marconi Day, also ZS1BAK on the air. 30 April - West Rand Amateur Radio Club flea market from 12:00 CAT. 1 May - ZS3 Sprint runs from 14:00 to 15:00 UTC a phone and CW contest on the 40 metre band. 7 May - RTD in Cape Town. 18 to 22 May - Follow Dayton Hamvention via W5KUB.com. 25 May - Closing date for nominations for NSN awards, visit www.amateurradio.org.za. 18 June - Programming in Windows course in Gauteng. Book at www.sarl.org.za.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 750 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'ARMI' and follow the links. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 18:30 CAT on 3 230 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by Hester van der Walt and checked by George, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening, 73.
/EX

420. A. G. Lisi's E8 model may be showing us what both our space & time really are.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-23 22:46:08 UTC
From: fitz <zeusrdx@yahoo.com>
Message-ID: <b3957f5a-3a85-4d2b-9690-1cb119bb1bdc@o26g2000vby.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4460

A. G. Lisi's E8 model may be showing us what both our space & time really are.

(Click link below.)

http://www.amperefitz.com/e8.htm

Crystals and chemical compounds are tied up with group theory which best explains (mathematically) exactly why they form the particular way they do.

Lisi's E8 model is a group theory model that may be showing us why our space forms the way it does via frequencies that cannot be directly measured from inside of our particular space-time realm (Wheeler - Feynman).

Click link below for MORE:

http://www.amperefitz.com/e8.htm

421. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-24 19:21:42 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <0dce803b-0f7d-4611-944b-8ad9d89260ee@hg8g2000vbb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4461

On Apr 23, 6:46 pm, fitz <zeus...@yahoo.com> wrote:
> A. G.
://www.amperefitz.com/e8.htm

422. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-24 19:22:13 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <6525614a-f61e-42eb-bcf5-a231da9e2be7@cu4g2000vbb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4462
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.arts.comics.misc

On Apr 23, 3:37 am, christinapol...@163.com wrote:
> cheap wholesale ARM

423. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 24th April 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-24 20:00:15 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20110424200005.78B2333C69@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4463
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 24th April 2011

Up-Coming IRTS Contests

1. 2m Counties Contest Monday April 25th 2011. From 2pm till 4pm. Log to be submitted by May 25th.

2. CW Field Day Sat 4th/ Sun 5th June 2011. Log to be submitted by July 5th.

Calling all active VHF and Higher operators we are trying to get the 2010 Squares table finalized on IRTS.ie. So can anyone that was active on the VHF bands last year please send your Square totals or your log and I can work it out for you to EI2GLB /at/ hotmail / dot/.com . To see the squares table go to www.irts.ie and click on vhf/uhf/shf on the right side of the home page.

Theory Examination

The next theory examination for the Harmonised Amateur Radio Examinbation Certificate (HAREC) will be held on Thursday, 7 July next at 2.00 p.m. in the ComReg offices in Dublin. The examination may also be held on that day at other centres if warranted by the number of candidates.

Full details, including entry procedure and examination fee, are available at www.irts.ie/exam

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Echo Ireland - new issue

The latest issue of Echo Ireland includes a full report on the society's recent annual general meeting, along with a copy of the Committee Report and accounts which were submitted to the AGM; a list of awards presented at the AGM is also included.

Anthony EI2KC has taken over the "HF Happenings" column of the newsletter, and his first report includes a roundup of recent DXpeditions, a report on propagation conditions and news of upcoming DXpeditions and other rare-DX activations.

The newsletter also includes a report by Jack EI7HO of his magnetic loop experiences, which will be of particular interest to those with restricted space for antennas; also included is a report by Lisa EI9GSB on the CASHOTA ("Castles and Stately Homes on the Air") activation of Blackrock Castle in February of this year.

All of this and plenty more - including club news, contest results, upcoming contests and rallies - can be found in the April Echo Ireland, which will be posted to members early this coming week.

Digital Modes Presentation

Mike EI3DY made a presentation dealing with the digital modes used by radio amateurs at a recent meeting of South Dublin Radio Club. The modes covered ranged from RTTY to the more recent JT65 and WSPR modes. Mike illustrated his presentation with the equipment used to operate these modes, including some of the equipment used before computer sound cards became a key component of digital transmission and reception.

The presentation also details of the propagation reporting web sites of PSK Reporter and the "whisper" Weak Signal Propagation Reporter. Read about it in the latest edition of ECHO Ireland.

Introduction to Amateur Radio the practical way

The Mayo Radio Experimenters Network plan on holding a series of practical, hands on, open days throughout the summer months, commencing Sunday May 8th. The events will start at 13.00 approx (weather permitting) and will take place on the following dates: Sunday May 8th Sunday June 12th Sunday July 10th Sunday August 14th Sunday September 11th Anyone with an interest in radio related matters, who would like to have the opportunity to participate or observe the operation of an amateur radio station, or meet club members, will receive a warm welcome. Whatever you're level of interest, the club will be pleased to help in taking your interest further, be it a complete novice, shortwave listener or formal assistance in progressing to a full amateur radio licence. The locations will be chosen in the Mid Mayo area in order to encourage attendance from all parts of the County or further afield. If you would like further details including full details of locations please contact: Padraic Baynes EI9JA on 0876957154 (email pbaynes1/at/ eircom/ dot/net) , email David Hatfield EI3ECB on ei3ecb/ at/gmail/dot/com or text or phone the club mobile phone number 086 20 89 777

Duhallo Voice Repeater

The Duhallow Voice Repeater EI7SMR is back on air since Monday last the 11th of April 2011. The repeater which is located on Musheramore Mountain, in north Cork was off air undergoing repairs and is now

operating with a new antenna installed on site. EI7SMR operates on RU74, 430.925mhz, input is 438.525mhz (7.6mhz split) and requires a ctcss tone of 103.5Hz.

Louth Erne Rally Thanks

Many thanks from Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club to the 300 who set up, attended, traded or displayed their amateur radio interests at our Pearl Anniversary Rally in SHARE last Sunday. Nevada, the big amateur radio retailer donated an Alinco DJ 596 E hand held transceiver for the raffle. It was won by Phillip Hosey, MI�MSO and EI8GPB, the efficient and effective Secretary of West Tyrone Amateur Radio Club.

Peter Grant, EI4HX and Pat Fitzpatrick, EI2HX were there with the IRTS stand. Angus Annan MM1CCR represented the RSGB. He presented the Northern Ireland Club of the Year Award to the club's youngest member, Gemma Nelson Mi6GDN, and Congratulations Certificates to nine new Intermediate licensees. It was good to see Willie Long, EI6IA in attendance.

A full report with pictures by Ken O'Reilly Gi7UIP will be sent to Echo Ireland.

Old Time Amateur Radio

Cliff Corderoy Gi4CZW, who was a founder member of Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club, was in attendance at Sunday's Pearl Anniversary Rally in SHARE.

Cliff ran his first RAE course in Fermanagh Technical College back in 1975. The Club came out of that course and others that followed. Cliff was Secretary when the Club held its first rally in April 1982. On another table, Jimmy Lappin Gi0OND displayed material from the Radio Amateur Old Timers Association. Terry Barnes GI3USS was also in attendance at the SHARE rally.

International Marconi Day

International Marconi Day takes place this year on Saturday 30th April. The Howth Martello Radio Group will be participating once again as an award station using the call-sign EI0MAR. For more information please visit the club's website http://crac.g4usb.net/cracblog/

EI0MAR operates from the Martello Tower overlooking the East Pier in Howth.

North Cork Radio Group will be active from the 29th of April through 2nd of May and during International Marconi Day.

The call used will be EI-0-IMD from the Mizen head Signal Station, Goleen in West Cork and the duration will be 24hours. NCRG will also use EI1NC/P for the remainder of the weekend until May 2nd. Members attending are Anthony EI3GAB, Pat EI2GHB, Padraig EI5GEB and Claus EI7JZ although other members may operate in short burst while visiting the station.

The Cork Radio Club will use the callsign EI5IMD will be activated from Brow Head near Crookhaven in West Cork to celebrate the 110th anniversary of the setting up of Marconi's Wireless Station in 1901.

Ballymena ARC

Ballymena ARC (GI3FFF) will be participating in the Steam Traction Rally, at Shanes Castle, Antrim from the 1st May till the 2nd May 2011. They will be putting on displays of amateur radio for the public, as well as activating the castle as part of CASHOTA-NI (castles and stately homes on the air-ni). The club will be using callsign GN4KPT, utilising all modes and bands, please feel free to call in if heard. See http://gi3fff.synthasite.com/ or www.cashota-ni.org

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DX News

PY2ZA is travelling to the Island of Trindade and hopes to land there around 29 April. He plans to use the callsign PP0T and will be there until sometime in June. The only inhabitants on the island are 32 Brazilian Naval personnel who man a Naval Base there and PY2ZA will be dependant on the Brazilian Navy for transport to and from Trindade. This is quite a rare DXCC entity and also counts for IOTA with the reference SA-010. QSLs for this expedition go via EB7DX.

The special callsign R25CH will be activated up to 29 April from different districts in the Bryansk area to mark the 25th anniversary of the Chernobyl nuclear disaster. QSL info is via RW3YC.

Prefixes chasers will have the opportunity of several new ones as UK stations have the option of using the prefixes GR, MR and 2R to celebrate the upcoming Royal Wedding in London. The prefixes will appear on the bands during the period 29 April to 9 May.

Yuris YL2GM will be active from Azerbaijan using the call 4K3AC from 25 April till 3 May. QSLs go via his home callsign.

A group of Scottish amateurs will be QRV from Lunga in the Treshnish Isles from 28 April till 1 May. This island group counts as EU-108 for the IOTA award. QSL manager for this one is MM0BQI.

A German team is at present on the Island of Phu Quoc in Vietnam using the call XV4YY. The IOTA reference is AS-128 and the QSL Manager is DH7WW.

UN - Special Event stations

UN50, UO50, UP50, UQ50 will be active in Kazakhstan from April/2011 то May 31/2011 - of 50th Anniversary of the first human flight to outer space which was done by Yuri Gagarin. To commemorate this event Kazakhstan information website "UN Amateur Radio News" together with Almaty Amateur Radio League have established a special award - "The Columbus of the Cosmos".

Solar Activity Heats Up

Sunspots have returned and they are crackling with activity. On February 15th and again on March 9th, Earth orbiting satellites detected a pair of "X-class" solar flares--the most powerful kind of x-ray flare. The last such eruption occurred back in December 2006. Another eruption on March 7th hurled a billion-ton cloud of plasma away from the sun at five million mph (2200 km/s). The Coronal mass ejection (CMT) delivered a blow to the earth's magnetic field. It seems that solar cycle '24' in now on its way. Is this good news for DX'ers?

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

424. HOT HOT HOT

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-26 13:54:35 UTC
From: guru <sridatta9247@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <302221a9-c45c-4448-b471-648712006e8a@v36g2000prm.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4464

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http://cinyworld96.blogspot.com/2011/04/kajal-agarwal.html
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http://cinyworld96.blogspot.com/2011/03/pranitha.html
richa saree stills
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http://cinyworld96.blogspot.com/2011/03/shruthi-hassan.html

425. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-26 20:42:04 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <59652673-bd16-41b1-9d76-14d1d5ba3f4e@l18g2000yql.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4465

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On Apr 26, 9:54 am, guru <sridatta9...@gmail.com> wrote:
>           kajal agarwal
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426. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 18 - 24 April 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-26 21:30:05 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20110426213001.BAA2333C5C@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4466
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.info

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:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2011 Apr 26 1649 UTC
# Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
# http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
18 - 24 April 2011

Solar activity ranged from low to moderate levels. Region 1195 (S16,
L=129, class/area Ekc/340 on 22 April) produced the majority of the
flares observed during the period. Solar activity from 17-21 April
was limited to C-class or lower x-ray flares. Activity increased to
moderate for a day on 22 April as Region 1195 produced two M-class
flares, an M1.8/SN at 0457Z and an M1.2/1N at 1553Z. Neither
significant radio emissions nor coronal mass ejections (CMEs) were
associated with these flares. Activity returned to low levels, with
only C-class or lower flares observed for the remainder of the week.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit began
the period at moderate levels and fluctuated between normal and
moderate levels each day during the week.

Geomagnetic field activity ranged from quiet to minor storm levels
during the week. The week began with with a 24 nT sudden impulse at
18/0634Z followed by unesttled to occasionally active levels at mid
latitudes, and minor storm periods at high latitudes. The
disturbance was attributed to the passage of a CME. Activity
decreased to quiet to unsettled levels on 19 April. Minor storm
levels returned on 20 April, briefly reaching major storm levels at
high latitudes with the onset of a coronal hole high speed stream
(CH HSS). Solar wind speed at the ACE spacecraft peaked over 540
km/s mid-day on the 20th, then gradually decreased through 23 April.
Quiet to unsettled levels prevailed on 21-24 April as the CH HSS
effects subsided.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
27 April - 23 May 2011

Solar activity is expected to be at low levels through the period
with a chance for isolated M-class flares until Region 1195 rotates
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off the visible disk on 01 May.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at normal to moderate levels during most of the period. However, an increase to moderate to high flux levels is possible from 02 - 05 May, 11 - 13 May and 19 - 22 May in response to coronal hole high speed streams.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be unsettled to active on 30 April - 02 May, 08 - 10 May, and 18 - 19 May in response to geoeffective recurrent coronal hole high speed streams. The remainder of the period is expected to be quiet.

427. The ARRL Contest Update for April 27, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-27 11:03:09 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20110427101741.95A252532A@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 4467
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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The ARRL Contest Update

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April 27, 2011

Editor: Ward Silver, N0AX <rate-sheet@arrl.org>

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- To Tube or Not to Tube
- Uncle Leo to All

NEW HF OPERATORS - THINGS TO DO

It's time to see if those sunspots are up to snuff - give the Ten-Ten
International Spring CW Contest a try. This is open to Technician class
licenses and most CW speeds are lower than in the Big Ones. While
you're at it, pick up some of the rarer New England states in their
regional QSO party.

BULLETINS

There are no bulletins in this issue.

BUSTED QSOS

As entertaining as K5KG may be, his QTH is Siesta Key, not Fiesta! Ted,
NH6YK observes that the cloud over Juan de Nova referred to last time
is not likely volcanic - and he should know, living in Volcano, Hawaii.
And Kazu JK3GAD/M0CFW points out that the example call sign of a
Japanese ham operating in Russia under the new CEPT agreement is
incorrect as Japan is not a CEPT member. Nice to hear from these
sharp-eyed readers.

CONTEST SUMMARY

Complete information for all contests follows the Conversation section
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30 April - 1 May

- VHF Spring Sprints--432 MHz
- 2 GHz and Up World Wide Contest
- Worldwide EME Contest--5.7 GHz
- Nebraska QSO Party
- Florida QSO Party
- BARTG 75 Sprint
- ARS Spartan Sprint--CW (May 3)

May 7-8

- SNS and NS Weekly Sprints--CW (May 6)
- Microwave Spring Sprint--902+ MHz
- Worldwide EME Contest--2.3 GHz
- Ten-Ten Spring CW Contest,
- 7th Area QSO Party
- Indiana QSO Party
- Radio Club of America QSO Party--Phone
- ARI International DX Contest
- New England QSO Party

==> NEWS, PRESS RELEASES, AND GENERAL INTEREST

The 16th VHF Weak Signal Group banquet will be held on Friday, May 20th, at the Doubletree Hotel in downtown Dayton. The speaker will be Dana Whitlow K8YUM, presenting "Noise at Arecibo- it's not just the Coqui". For more information contact Tony WA8RJF <WA8RJF@ARRL.net> directly. If you're still trying to decide whether to go to the Dayton Hamvention, Ken K4ZW reports that Tim K3LR will provide an overview of the myriad of contest related activities planned in an upcoming free PVRC webinar <http://www.pvrc.org/> on May 2. QRP operators can attend the Four Days In May <http://www.fdim.qrparci.org/> event, as well, with special programs and streaming video of the Thursday build-along exercise.

Researchers at the University of Technology in Sydney, Australia have created sheets of graphene <http://inhabitat.com/new-graphene-super-paper-is-10x-stronger-than-steel/> (a planar array of carbon atoms) ten times stronger than steel (under tension, presumably). It only a matter of time until there are golf clubs made from this new material - can tower sections be far behind?

Elecraft has announced the XG3 <http://www.elecraft.com/elecraft_prod_list.htm>, a miniature, programmable, 160-2 meter (and higher) synthesized RF signal source that generates RF with highly accurate levels of -107 dBm (1 uV), -73 dBm (50 uV or S9), -33 dBm (S9+40), and 0 dBm. Built into a T1-sized enclosure, the XG3 runs on an internal 9-V battery or from an external power supply. (Thanks, Wayne N6KR and Eric WA6HHQ)

The Boring ARC has decided to "sponsor" a summer Stew Perry Top Band Distance Challenge <http://jzap.com/k7rat/stew.html> (TBDC) event. This is a great time to get some activity on the band and take advantage of

the good propagation to the southern hemisphere. The date will be June 18th and 19th with the same 1500 UTC start and stop times. Scores will be compiled in a similar way to the existing PreStew "warmup" in October. Look for rules and scoring procedures on the Stew Perry TBDC web site. (Thanks, Brian N9ADG)

Technical papers are being solicited for presentation at the 30th Annual ARRL and TAPR Digital Communications Conference to be held September 16-18, 2011 in Baltimore, Maryland. Please send papers by email or in print to Maty Weinberg <maty@arrl.org> at the ARRL, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111.

If new home construction is using a metalized insulation board
<http://www.pcpro.co.uk/blogs/2011/04/14/whats-killing-your-wi-fi-wrapping-your-house-in-t
in-foil/>
it may be a hindrance in that it keeps WiFi and other wireless signals from making it outside. It might also be a boon to hams in providing a modicum of shielding to obnoxious radiated emissions from appliances and computer gear. It won't do anything about conducted emissions but it could also help keep our signals out of audio gear and the like. As an added bonus it keeps the aliens from reading your thoughts!

Dr Megacycle, aka Jim KK6MC, provided some resources for and studies of learning the code - a most important skill for the successful radiosport practitioner. He refers us to the Koch Method <http://hfradio.org/koch_1.html> which is summarized in a chapter of the ebook "The Skill of Radio-Telegraphy
<http://www.qsl.net/n9bor/images/The%20Art%20&%20Skill%20of%20Radio-Telegraphy%203rd%20edi
tion%204-02.pdf>".
There is an online trainer <http://lcwo.net/> with exercises for improving one's skill even if experienced with CW.

As long as we are on the subject of copying CW, Rich KL7RA notes that a recent biography of Johnny Cash mentions the singer as having been a CW circuit operator for the U.S. Air Force during the 1950's with a top speed of about 45 WPM. Rich goes on to wonder why a guy would give up copying code for $125 per month for a musical career worth "$1 million billion...seems odd you would give up a cool CW job...but to each his own."

The rules for the 2011 CQ WW VHF Contest, July 16 - 17, have been posted on the CQ VHF Contest website <http://www.cqww-vhf.com/>. If you missed the results for the 2010 contest in the February issue of CQ, the write-up, scores, and expanded results are also on-line there alongside records updated by Curt, K9AKS. (Thanks, CQ WW VHF Contest Director, John W1XX)

Kirk NT0Z has released a new book, "Stealth Amateur Radio <http://www.stealthamateur.com/>" and expects it to be available for the Kindle ebook reader soon. Kirk also notes that moving his auto-tuner into the backyard near his antenna helped to reduce RF noise pickup and common-mode current on his feed line that was causing RFI

inside. You may find that trick of use at your QTH.

Brian NJ1F wrote to let us know that the Yankee Clipper Contest Club <http://yccc.org/> has elected new officers and the full slate can be viewed on their web site. Similarly, Jack W6FB reported that the Northern California Contest Club <http://nccc.cc/> has new leadership, as well. Thanks to the volunteers who make our organizations go!

If you've been wondering where the Ukrainian hams have gone, they've lost some HF frequencies lately - 10100-10150 kHz (all of the 30 meter band) and 14250-14350 kHz. They've also lost a fair amount of UHF and microwave spectrum. (Thanks, Alex UY0LL)

If you want to keep up with the latest announcements about WRTC 2014, the organizers have set up a news reader feed <http://wrtc2014.org/feed/>. (Thanks, WRTC-2014 Co-Chair, Randy K5ZD)

Web Site of the Week - Finished just in time for Dayton, the 2nd edition of "Antenna Zoning" by K1VR is mostly new. Fred claims he's learned something in the 10 years since the last edition with new approaches to CC&R problems (now a whole chapter), plus a complete application for a TV antenna that would otherwise be forbidden by homeowner association rules. There is more on justifying the need for height, presenting at a hearing, and dealing with the press. Look for the sections on drafting a local ordinance, or state statute. VE6SH added a whole new chapter on Canadian regulation, too.

WORD TO THE WISE

BIP/BOP - No, those are not the sound of water dripping off your feed lines! BIP - Both In Phase - and BOP - Both Out of Phase are the phase relationships when driving a stack of two horizontally-polarized Yagi antennas. BIP aims your signal towards the horizon while BOP creates a high-angle lobe for working short-skip or high-angle signals. BIP-BOP switching is explained in this Array Solutions application note <http://www.arraysolutions.com/Products/stackmatchbop.htm> for modifying their popular StackMatch switching system.

==> SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

The recent International DX Convention in Visalia was a big hit for all as shown in these great photos in an online album <https://picasaweb.google.com/Hector.xe2k/VISALIA2011> by Hector XE2K and the photos elsewhere in this issue by Bob N6TV.

Mark K1RX and Geoff KA1IOR visited K5ZD's station during WPX SSB and recorded some SO2R operation. There are three videos <http://www.youtube.com/user/Geoffrey7b> - Part 1 is a general discussion about SO2R while Parts 2 and 3 are of SO2R operating.

>From the Daily DX <http://www.dailydx.com/> newsletter for April 25th, we learn of Rick NE8Z's recent gift-bearing visit to Mount Athos and Monk Apollo. He created an on-line slide show

<http://live.semdxa.org/tiki-list_file_gallery.php?galleryId=24> and coincidentally there was a CBS' "60 Minutes <http://www.cbsnews.com/sections/60minutes/main3415.shtml>" program on Mt Athos this past weekend.

EME for QRPers - not an oxymoron at all! - is discussed in this online video <http://www.ustream.tv/recorded/13724230> produced by Gary W9XT <http://www.w9xt.com/>. (Thanks, Rich KZ9K)

This Wired Magazine article <http://www.wired.com/wiredscience/2011/04/unidentified-scientific-tools/> asked for help in identifying any of these mysterious scientific instruments. Heck, hams probably have several of each in their junk boxes! (Thanks, Jim W6EU)

==> RESULTS AND RECORDS

The extended version of K9AY's 160 Meter Contest writeup is in final production and should be available online <http://www.arrl.org/contests> later this week. The first extended writeup of 2011 - WS7I's report on the RTTY Roundup - will follow. After the April 18th SSB Rookie Roundup, scores were received from several stations without filling out the required submission form. Please remember that scores must be submitted via the online submission form to be included in the results. (Thanks, ARRL Contest Branch Manager, Sean KX9X)

In late-breaking news, the total number of CQ WPX SSB logs submitted topped 5000 for the first time ever according to CQ WPX Director Randy K5ZD.

The results of the 2010 New York QSO Party <http://nyqp.org/nyqp-2010-results> can be found at the updated NYQP website. Paul K2DB and Rick W1TY also thank the contest volunteers and webmaster Scott K2ZS for their help in producing the contest.

Tom K1KI reports that results for the 2010 New England QSO Party <http://www.neqp.org/> have been posted online. Certificates and plaques are going in the mail shortly - predominantly to the 9th call district!

If your logging program only creates ADIF files, try the new ADIF file converter <http://www.cqwpx.com/adif/> on the CQ WPX web site or use the excellent free LM software <http://contestsoftware.com/e/home.htm> by DL8WAA. LM is also a great way to type in your paper log and convert it to Cabrillo format. (Thanks, CQ WPX Director, Randy K5ZD)

OPERATING TIP

Jim K8MR observes that when trying to correct a logged call sign or exchange, the delay can cause the other station to repeat the information and create an unnecessary series of transmissions. His suggest is to simply use the "TU QRZ" key and catch up while the

computer is sending. Some logging software can be set up to send the corrected information as well so that everything is confirmed.

==> TECHNICAL TOPICS AND INFORMATION

George VE3ERP's <ve3erp@rac.ca> great package of software ham radio calculators, HAMCALC, has run into some significant issues in working with Win7 with the GWBASIC routines used by HAMCALC's many components. If you could provide guidance or assistance in this area, George is open for suggestions.

A method of increasing the efficiency of an inverted L or vertical antenna is to raise the point of maximum current well above ground as in this "Double L <http://www.yccc.org/Articles/double_l.htm>" antenna for 160 and 80 meters by K2LQ. The same idea could be applied to 80 and 40 meters. (Thanks, Rik van Riel)

Remember when oscilloscopes took two people to lift them and had to be rolled around on a cart? Well, Chris KL9A found that there's an app for that now as exemplified by this handy gizmo from Oscium <http://gizmodo.com/#%215791826/oscium-can-turn-your-ios-gadget-into-the-worlds-smallest-oscilloscope>.
Jack Ganssle of Embedded System Design - also known as N3ALO - took a good look at the latest offering in more traditional scopes from Agilent in his column "Scoping Out the New Scopes <http://www.eetimes.com/discussion/break-points/4214706/Scoping-out-new-scopes>".

Magnetic light - not as strange as it sounds - may be another intriguing technology for creating electricity from solar energy and does not require absorption. The "optical battery <http://ns.umich.edu/htdocs/releases/story.php?id=8368>" uses the surprisingly strong magnetic properties of light traveling through a non-conductive material to generate current.

Jim W7RY summarized some of the issues associated with dissimilar metals being used in amateur installations. "Copper should never touch galvanized material directly without proper joint protection. Water shedding from the copper contains ions that will wash away the galvanized (zinc) tower covering. Stainless steel can be used as a buffer material. However, be aware that stainless steel is not a very good conductor. If it is used as a buffer between copper and galvanized metals, the surface area of the contact should be large and the stainless steel should be thin. Joint compound should also be used to cover the connection so water cannot bridge between the dissimilar metals. This is why you want to use tinned wire (or suitable transition material) not bare copper when connecting to a galvanized tower."

Regular US rural type mail boxes are observed to work well for protecting outdoor gadgets as they have to seal well. The few drain holes let the water out so that they will protect most anything once the door is closed. (Thanks, Mike K5WMG)

Tom KK3OQ has posted videos <http://www.youtube.com/user/HamRadio2008> of homebrewed PCB fabrication, PIC chip experiments, high powered LED projects, Arduino applications, QRP kit builds, and Electronics Tourism.

More and more reports surface of "temporary" rope guys stretching or failing, leading to tower "incidents". Luckily, the reports don't mention fatalities but there have certainly been some near misses, such as to regular climbers Don K4ZA and John W2GD. Don't mess around - use steel or Phillystran guys if you or someone else is going to be on that tower. Field Day is coming and the temptation to take short cuts "just for the weekend" is strong - be safe!

Machinist's Workshop magazine tested penetrating oils for break-out torque on rusted nuts. They "scientifically rusted" nuts and bolts, treated them with various commercial penetrants and one home brew mixture, and then measured the torque required to remove them. The results?
- No penetrant - 516 pounds
- WD-40 - 238 pounds
- PB Blaster - 214 pounds
- Liquid Wrench - 127 pounds
- Kano Kroil - 106 pounds
A homebrew mix of automatic transmission fluid and acetone was also reported to have worked but that is disputed in several online discussions. (Thanks, Tim K3LR)

Technical Web Site of the Week - The theory and operation of RF amplifier tubes is by no means a dead technology as many contesters well know. There is plenty of good information about them on the web including this Eimac classic <http://www.cpii.com/docs/related/22/C&F1Web.pdf>. KK5DR also has a web page <http://www.kk5dr.com/Tubes.html> full of good material about the care and feeding of these beasties. You can read all this while waiting for the filaments to warm up. (Thanks, Dave WA3GIN)

==> CONVERSATION

Uncle Leo to All

I got into the ham radio game a few years too late for the reign of World Radio Labs gear but my Novice QSL collection included many cards from other Novices bearing that self-confidence-building "My QTH" arrow pointing right to your station's location. (My QSLs were from the Little Print Shop.) It is now, much later, that I am learning more about what Leo Meyerson, W0GFQ who passed away last week at the age of 100, meant to so many. I pass the editorial baton to my friend Rich Strand, KL7RA, for his wistfully wry recollections of his relationship with "Uncle Leo".

73, Ward N0AX

Ham radio lost one of its finest members last week when Leo Meyerson, W0GFQ <http://www.qcwa.org/w0gfq-sk.htm> went Silent Key. At a recent

gathering to help him celebrate his 100th birthday he mentioned he really didn't do that much for the hobby but as a young teenager with a new Novice license I can tell you that he did.

We called him "Uncle Leo" and he owned the magic ham radio store across the mighty Missouri river from Omaha, Nebraska [where Rich lived - Ed.] in Council Bluffs, Iowa. Every weekend I and my friends would try to make the pilgrimage to the World Radio Laboratories (WRL) just to walk the aisles of ham radio "stuff" and it was packed with "stuff". Of course all the famous WRL gear like the Globe King, Scouts and Chiefs with the Galaxy line, but also "stuff". All kinds of surplus military receivers and just about anything you could imagine as a kid but had no chance of buying ever in your life.

On the way out the door there was a large wooden box of crystals. All on 7173.333 kc and every Novice within three hundred miles had that frequency. It was Uncle Leo who told me not to keep the xtal's on top of the hot transmitter but to use his xtal holder case. I believe he also made xtals and I would skip lunch at school, so to speak, to have the few bucks to buy a new freq each visit. Back then a man's worth was measured in the number of rocks he had on the chief operating desk.

I bought a pair of headphones, probably WW2 B-29, and at 8 pounds with a head clamp pressure of 15 lbs per square inch just a tad uncomfortable. Uncle Leo to the rescue. I was able to find in the WRL the solution. What appeared to be toilet plunger cups were really headphone cushions that fit the B29 headset perfect. And they were cheap. No mention of the fact they caused your ears to sweat and the cups would heat weld to the side of your head and soon dispense an awful smell. They worked great.

WRL had copperweld wire. I was going to be cheap and buy the 18 gauge but finally did things right for once and bought the 12. Very heavy roll tightly wound in a surprisingly small package. Trying to get the exploded slinky of wire out of my bedroom that evening is best described by my mom. I had the world's first 80 meter dipole that was only 20 feet long counting the "coils" and even after some high Nebraska winds didn't really stretch out that much.

Uncle Leo would give a Novice a free WAS map, in color. If you can find a 1950-60's copy of Popular Electronics, look for the "Novice of the Month" column and often you would see that map on their shack wall. I hope all of you who covered Uncle Leo's picture with your QSL card have a few moments of guilt. I did.

The hams reading this from the 50-60's who knew Uncle Leo and the WRL, maybe got your first rig or built one of his transmitter kits and continued on in ham radio to be contesters, will recognize what he did for the hobby and we say, "73 Uncle Leo, BEST DX OM SK."

73, Rich KL7RA

==> CONTESTS

27 April through 10 May

An expanded, downloadable version of QST's Contest Corral in PDF format <http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar> is available. Check the sponsor's Web site for information on operating time restrictions and other instructions.

HF CONTESTS

Nebraska QSO Party--Phone, CW, Digital, from Apr 30, 1100Z to May 1, 1700Z . Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50, 144. Frequencies: CW: 1.805 and 35 kHz above band edge, Nov/Tech--10 kHz above band edge; Phone--1.915, 3.865, 7.265, 14.265, 21.365, 28.465, 146.460. Exchange: RS(T), NE county or S/P/C. Logs due: May 31. Rules <http://www.hdxa.net/>

Florida QSO Party--Phone, CW, from Apr 30, 1600Z to May 1, 0159Z and May 1, 1200Z to May 1, 2159Z. Bands (MHz): 7-28. Frequencies: Multiple operating periods; CW 7.025-7.035, 14.040-14.050, 21.040-21.050, 28.040-28.050; Phone 7.18-7.19, 14.265-14.275, 21.340-21.350, 28.480-28.490. Exchange: RS(T), FL county or S/P/C. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.floridaqsoparty.org/>

BARTG 75 Sprint-- Digital, from Apr 30, 1700Z to Apr 30, 2100Z . Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: Serial. Logs due: Jun 1. Rules <http://www.bartg.org.uk/>

ARS Spartan Sprint-- CW, from May 3, 0200Z to May 3, 0400Z . Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Monthly on the first Monday evening local time. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, and power. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.arsqrp.blogspot.com/>

SNS and NS Weekly Sprints-- CW, from May 6, 0200Z to May 6, 0300Z . Bands (MHz): 1.8-14. Weekly on Thursday evenings local time. Exchange: Serial, name, and S/P/C. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.ncccsprint.com/rules.html>

Ten-Ten Spring CW Contest-- CW, from May 7, 0001Z to May 8, 2359Z . Bands (MHz): 28. Exchange: Call sign, name, 10-10 number, state. Logs due: 15 days. Rules <http://www.ten-ten.org/>

7th Area QSO Party--Phone, CW, Digital, from May 7, 1300Z to May 8, 0700Z . Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50, 144. Frequencies: CW--40 kHz above band edge; SSB--1.845, 3.855, 7.235, 14.255, 21.355, 28.455. Exchange: State and county code. Logs due: Jun 5. Rules <http://7qp.org/>

Indiana QSO Party--Phone, CW, from May 7, 1600Z to May 8, 0400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Frequencies: CW--1.805 and 40 kHz above the band edge on 80-10 meters, SSB--1.845, 3.820, 7.190, 14.250, 21.300, 28.400. Exchange: RS(T) + S/P or IN county, DX RS(T) only. Logs due: Jun 15. Rules <http://www.hdxcc.org/inqp>

Radio Club of America QSO Party--Phone, from May 7, 1700Z to May 8, 0459Z . Bands (MHz): 3.5-21. Exchange: RS, QTH, name, equipment. Rules <http://www.radio-club-of-america.org/>

ARI International DX Contest--Phone, CW, Digital, from May 7, 2000Z to May 8, 1959Z . Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RS(T), serial or Italian province. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.qsl.net/contest_ari>

New England QSO Party--Phone, CW, Digital, from May 7, 2000Z to May 8, 0500Z and May 8, 1300Z to May 8, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Frequencies: Multiple operating periods; CW--3.540, 7.035, 14.040, 21.040, 28.040; SSB--3.850, 7.180/280, 14.280, 21.380, 28.380. Exchange: RS(T) and S/P or New England county. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.neqp.org/>

VHF+ CONTESTS

VHF Spring Sprints--Phone, CW, Digital, from Apr 27, 7 PM to Apr 27, 11 PM . Bands (MHz): 432. Exchange: Grid Square (6-character preferred). Logs due: 14 days. Rules <http://sites.google.com/site/springvhfupsprints>

2 GHz and Up World Wide Contest--Phone, CW, Digital, from Apr 30, 6 AM to May 1, 8 PM . Bands (MHz): 2.4G+. Exchange: 6-char grid locator. Logs due: 60 days. Rules <http://www.ham-radio.com/sbms>

Worldwide EME Contest--Phone, CW, from Apr 30, 0000Z to May 1, 2400Z . Bands (MHz): 5.7G. Exchange: TMO/RS(T) and "R". Logs due: Jun 25. Rules <http://www.dubus.org/>

Nebraska QSO Party--Phone, CW, Digital, from Apr 30, 1100Z to May 1, 1700Z . Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50, 144. Frequencies: CW: 1.805 and 35 kHz above band edge, Nov/Tech--10 kHz above band edge; Phone--1.915, 3.865, 7.265, 14.265, 21.365, 28.465, 146.460. Exchange: RS(T), NE county or S/P/C. Logs due: May 31. Rules <http://www.hdxa.net/>

Microwave Spring Sprint--Phone, CW, Digital, from May 7, 6 AM to May 7, 1 PM . Bands (MHz): 902+. Exchange: Grid Square (6-character preferred). Logs due: 14 days. Rules <http://sites.google.com/site/springvhfupsprints>

Worldwide EME Contest--Phone, CW, from May 7, 0000Z to May 8, 2400Z . Bands (MHz): 2.3G. Exchange: TMO/RS(T) and "R". Logs due: Jun 25. Rules <http://www.dubus.org/>

7th Area QSO Party--Phone, CW, Digital, from May 7, 1300Z to May 8, 0700Z . Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50, 144. Frequencies: CW--40 kHz above band edge; SSB--1.845, 3.855, 7.235, 14.255, 21.355, 28.455. Exchange: State and county code. Logs due: Jun 5. Rules <http://7qp.org/>

==> LOG DUE DATES

27 April through 10 May

April 28 - RSGB 80m Club Championship, Data <http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2011/r80mcc.shtml>

April 30 - Oklahoma QSO Party <http://okdxa.org/web/html/rules11.htm>

April 30 - SP DX Contest <http://www.spdxcontest.info/reg/reg_g.html>

April 30 - ARLHS Annual Spring Lites QSO Party
<http://arlhs.com/SL-2011-guidelines.html>

May 1 - BARTG HF RTTY Contest
<http://www.bartg.org.uk/documents/Contests/HF/BARTG%20HF%20RTTY%20Contest%20rules%202011.pdf>

May 1 - New Mexico QSO Party
<http://pages.swcp.com/%7En5zgt/nmqsoparty/documents/NMQP_forms.pdf>

May 1 - Feld Hell Sprint
<http://sites.google.com/site/feldhellclub/Home/contests>

May 1 - UBA Spring Contest, SSB
<http://www.uba.be/sites/default/files/uploads/hf_contests/uba_spring_en.pdf>

May 1 - EU Spring Sprint, SSB
<http://www.eu-sprint.com/index.php?page=140%E2%8C%A9=g>

May 3 - QCWA Spring QSO Party <http://www.qcwa.org/qso-party.pdf>

May 3 - Missouri QSO Party <http://www.w0ma.org/mo_qso_party.htm>

May 4 - 222 MHz Spring Sprint
<http://sites.google.com/site/springvhfupsprints/2011-announcement>

May 9 - 10-10 Int. Spring Contest, Digital
<http://www.ten-ten.org/Forms/QSOPartyRules_082710.pdf>

May 9 - PODXS 070 Club PSK 31 Flavors Contest
<http://www.uska.ch/fileadmin/download/Contest/KW/1-static/KW-Contest_english_2010.pdf>

May 10 - Yuri Gagarin International DX Contest
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MMMonVHF Newsletter 2011-04-28

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our lastet NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2011-04-28
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter, once a week (thursday)
from now on - if any special activities will make it necessary
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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
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** MOST WANTED SQUARES & DXCCs at the VHF-DX-Portal of MMMonVHF **

Hallo dear friends of MMMonVHFï¿½s Most Wanted 144 MHz european Square
inquiry. In past weeks we kindly asked you to update your standings
and lot people did follow our call - thank you very much! As well
there was around 25 Calls in the list who was not updating since more
than 3 years so we did scrap these Calls and ask the Gents please to
send in a new list if they want to paticipate again! Here are now the
RESULT (DATE April, 26th 2011) of the MWS 2011:
rank 1: KO42 (104x!) - rank 2: KO32 (91x!) - rank 3: JM57 (88x!)
4) KO22 5) JM37 & JM46 6) JM36 & JM47 7) JM26 8) IO42
Download the MAP from 26th: www.MMMonVHF.de/upload-news/DL8EBW/FOTO/MWS2011.jpg
TOP 5 DXCC DXCCs Ranking: 1) SV1/A 2) 3A 3) OD 4) R1FJ 5) 4X

For any updates, your votes are very welcome:
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MWDXCC (MOST WANTED DXCC) >>> www.mmmonvhf.de/dxcc.php

Thanks in the name of all USER of MMMonVHF and the Team which is
always trying to pass you as soon as possible the latest News...
SOURCE: Guy, DL8EBW, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

** MMMonVHF - MS Shower Info 2011, May - www.MMMonVHF.de/ms.php **

The most prominent shower this month is Eta ï¿½ Aquariids, peaking May
06, around 13h UT. This shower is characterized by a broad maximum;

predicted ZHR at peak for 2011 is 70 hr-1. Some daytime showers (Omicron ï¿½ Cetids, peaking May 20th being the most significant) will be also active this month; in addition to increasing Sporadic Meteors background, they will provide good conditions for MS DXing. Have a look to shower predictions for May 2011, together with a quick overview of 2011 Lyrids shower, at our MS-Propagationpage: http://www.MMMonVHF.de/ms.php
SOURCE: Massimo, IV3NDC, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

** Status QSLs : MD/DH7FB & MD/DF2ZC **

Hello All, We have received many QSL letters and also some substantial donations, many thanks. However, of the IRCs we have received many of them are expired IRCs and therefore useless. Please don't dispose of your old expired IRCs this way. To avoid this Frank and I ask you to no longer send IRCs but 1$ (Europe) or 2$ (Rest of the World) for return postage. I expect to have the QSLs here by the end of this week and will forward his share to Frank. He should have his cards next week and the QSLing process will then start. vy 73
Hello All, I have updated my website with a detailed dxpedition report (story, photos, log) of Frank DH7FB and my recent 144 MHz EME activity from the Isle of Man. Enjoy reading it:
http://www.df2zc.de/hamradioresults/dxp/
Due to time constraints also caused by the dxpedition there will be no 144 MHz EME Newsletter this April, the next issue will be uploaded at 9 May 2011. SOURCE: Bernd, DF2ZC, via MoonNet

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** Bad news about our EME friend Guy, VK2KU **

To all VHF colleagues - We had a call last night from Catherine, Guy's XYL, to tell us that Guy underwent major cancer related abdominal surgery on Thursday night last. He is now out of intensive care in Goulburn Hospital, but faces a significant post operative recovery and treatment period. The further prognosis of this, and the surgical sequelae, will not be known until pathology tests are completed. Guy is a much liked and highly respected member of the VHF weak signal community, and I know we would all want to wish him the most successful possible outcome from his surgery and as speedy a recovery as is practicable. LATEST NEWS from 2011-04-26:
I spoke again with Catherine after her visit to the hospital this afternoon, and I gather he is now in a room of his own and is improving. I also gather a couple of his amateur friends from Canberra have paid him a visit. I have sent Catherine a compilation of your responses to me so that she can pass them on to Guy as he probably won't have any email access until he gets home from hospital which will be some days yet. SOURCE: John, VK2TK via VK Mail-List
The Team of MMMonVHF will send best wishes and get well soon, Guy!

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and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: 5V7 ; Square: JJ06 ; Start: 2011-04-15 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3750

DL9MBI, DL3MBG, DL5MGH and DL5MEV will be active from Togo as
5V7CC (JJ06) as well on 144 MHz EME until 2011-04-28!
LATEST NEWS: 2011-04-20 LOG can be found here:
http://www.clublog.org/charts/?c=5V7CC QSOs seen as 2m RTTY!
QSL via DL9MBI (bureau preferred). See QRZ details for direct.
SOURCE: info from N0UK-Chat

** DXCC: W/CT ; Square: FN41/IM57 ; Start: 2011-05-08 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3776

Brendan Award Trial between W and CT
Joe (CT1HZE) and I (W1JJ, FN41FO) are planning a try at the Brendan
Award. (http://www.irts.ie/cgi/brendan.cgi) I will be calling
CQ/Bcn on 144.103.5 Mhz. in the WSJT JT65b mode. The calling
sequence for each hour is as follows. The 1st 15 min of each Hr I
will tx in the 2nd seq on JT65b. Th 2nd 15 min I will be in the Moon
mode. The third 15 min same as the 1st and the 4th 15 min same as
the 2nd. I will be running 300 watts into a 41 element 100 ft rope
yagi pointed at 71 deg. and a GasFet preamp on Rx. I will try and
run the station 24/7. If you hr my CQ pse call or rpt any reception
to W1JJ"at"aol.com or call 401-837-4100. Thanks
SOURCE: Mick, W1JJ, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: CU ; Square: HM77 ; Start: 2011-06-29 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3784

A DL Team will be active holiday style from CU2 (HM77ct) on HF and
6m as well 2m EME. Station will be TRX and 500W into 14 el XPol DF7KF
(TX circular, RX all polarisations). More details closer to the trip
or when group arrived SOURCE: tnx to Dith, DF7KF, direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** V55EME 6m EME from Namibia **

Dear Friends, On May 1 I'm travelling to Namibia to activate a 6m
EME station for 2 weeks, Martin V51W is living in Namibia and
operate a top class HF station, now he is expanding his operation

to EME and he will start with the "Magic Band", Hanspeter HB9PHJ travel 2 weeks ago to finish the Antenna setup, now we have a 2 antennas M2 6M7 with 7 elements already installed, first E-sporadic and tropo contacts was done during last days, power will be a 400W SSPA amplifier, no preamp, no elevation but we can move manually the array to any elevation and fix that position for some skeds.
SOURCE: tnx to Alex, HB9DRI, direct to MMMonVHF and via MoonNet
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3773

** 10 GHz & 5,7 GHz Activity from KO04VA and KO03VX **

I want to inform, that from the 13th to 16th of May and from 27th to 30th of May I am going to sail on the Mazury Lakes with TES 32 yacht I am taking the equipment for 5,7 and 10 GHz. In case of Rain Scatter I will be active in the evenings as SP7VC/4 from the locators KO04VA and KO03VX. Equipment: Disch ï¿½ 60cm ,PWR on 10Ghz-2W and on 5,7GHz-7W - Contact on chat possible ON4KST
SOURCE: tnx to Mek, SP7VC, direct to MMMonVHF
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3774

** 5,7 GHZ & 10 GHz Activity from JO75 **

Mek SP7VC will be active as OZ/SP7VC from Bornholm Island WWloc.JO75 between 13-16.06.2011. Activity will be holiday style (we also fisching) .I plans to use 5,7 & 10 Ghz . Equipment :FT-290 R II , Disch -60cm 10Ghz -2W , 5,7GHz -7W Mek sp7vc www.sp7vc.pl
SOURCE: tnx to Mek, SP7VC, direct to MMMonVHF
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3775

** VE9AA qrv in May as Newfoundland, as VO1TTT/M **

LATEST NEWS from Mike, VE9AA, dated 2011-04-23: Further to my earlier announcement re: VO1TTT/m, I have decided to use 50.177.7MHz for CW /SSB operations where possible. (barring QRM, hi!) I will run a beacon when possible. Strictly holiday style. This is not a dedicated expedition. Cheers, SOURCE: Mike VE9AA / VO1TTT/m

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** XF2P qrv on HF, 50 MHz and Sattelites from EL11 **

A group of enthusiastic Mexican ham radio operators, Ismael XE1AY, Gustavo XE1KKK, Francisco Javier XE1P, Ricardo XE1RZL, Ricardo Raymundo XE1SOV, Fernando XE1VGC, Jose XE1UYU, Martin XE1UZH, Modesto XE1UZU, Juan Manuel XE2IA, Jose XE2IVG and Ricardo XE3NMC will be active from Isla de Lobos (IOTA NA-221, WW Loc. EL11JK), Veracruz State, between 29th April and 1st May 2011. They will also activate the Lobos Island lighthouse (ARLHS MEX-035, TWLHD WLH

XE-016, WLOTA 0920). QRV on all HF bands, plus 6 metres and AO27, AO51 and SO50 Satellites. Modes: CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via XE1AY. Website: xf2p.puebladx.org/XF2P/Bienvenida.html
SOURCE: ICPO Bulletin (22-29 April 2011)

** Niue, ZK2. By Chris GM3WOJ / ZK2V **

I am returning to Niue in October 2011, hoping to spend at least 2 months there. I will be at a new QTH, using new antennas on the LF bands to improve results (there is S9 QRN on 160m and 80m from the island ï¿½ 11kV AC distribution system over most of the island). I worked nearly 16000 stations in poor conditions at ZK2V 2009 ï¿½ my target is 40000+ this time ï¿½ hopefully with better conditions and a longer DXpedition. My friend Keith GM4YXI / GM5X is joining me for the first 2 weeks of the DXpedition and is hoping to be QRV as ZK2X in the CQ WW SSB contest ï¿½ Single-Operator All-Band. Please visit http://www.zk2v.com which will be updated periodically before the DXpedition. SOURCE: (Sixitalia Weekly) 21 Apr. 2011 - Dec. 2011
E.d. note Chris is know as a keen 6 meter DXer, hopefully he will activate ZK2. - CQ Six - 50 MHz DX News #20110421

** Jersey, GJ, Activity on HF and 50 MHz **

Operators Silvia/EA1AP (YL) and Alberto/EA1SA planned to activate Jersey between June 12-17th. The callsigns to be used are MJ/EA1AP, MJ/EA1SA. Look for activity to be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Suggested frequencies are (+/- QRM):
CW - 3504, 7004, 10104, 18074, 21024, 24894, 28024 and 50103kHz
SSB - 3780, 7056/7180, 14195, 18145, 21295, 24945, 28495 & 50120kHz
RTTY - 3580, 7035, 10140, 14080, 18100, 21080, 24920 & 28080 kHz
QSL via their home callsign. For more details, updates and log search, visit the DXpedition Web page at:
http://www.gdgdxc.net/channel_islands/index.php
SOURCE: (Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1007)

** Guernsey, GU, Activity on HF and 50 MHz **

Operators Silvia/EA1AP (YL) and Alberto/EA1SA planned to activate Guernsey between June 17-21st. The callsigns to be used are MU/EA1AP and MU/EA1SA. Look for activity to be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. They plan to participate in the IARU 50 MHz Contest from Guernsey. Suggested frequencies are (+/- QRM):
CW - 3504, 7004, 10104, 18074, 21024, 24894, 28024 & 50103kHz
SSB - 3780, 7056/7180, 14195, 18145, 21295, 24945, 28495 &d 50120khz
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SOURCE: (Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1007)

** HF & 6m Exped to VK9 Lord Howe 2011 **

The new website for the 8-17 July DXpedition to Lord Howe Island can be found at www.lordhowe2011.com. Plans are for VK9HR to be QRV on 160-6 metres CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via EB7DX (direct) and LoTW. (Sixitalia Weekly) 21 Apr. 2011 - 17 Jul. 2011
CQ Six - 50 MHz DX News #20110421

Hi All , I asked Tommy VK2IR if they are taking any 2m Equip to the Expedon Lord Howe but said they are not. He asked if I wished to join them on the Exped or if anyone else wished to join them to do 2m EME If there is someone interested just get in touch with Tommy details below: Tommy Horozakis - VK2IR / SV0XBF vk2ir"at"vk2ir.com
Site info is here : http://www.lordhowe2011.com/ 73's Philip 9H1PA
SOURCE: Philip 9H1PA via MoonNet

** HF and 50 MHz activity from HB0, LIECHTENSTEIN **

Operators Tony/IZ3ESV, Gabriele/I2VGW and Andrea/IZ2LSC will be active as HB0/homecall between June 2-5th. The trio is planning a micro-light and holiday-style operation using CW, SSB and RTTY. The main focus will be on the 30/17/12 meters and the upper HF bands depending on the propagation. They will also try 6 meters. QSL via their home callsigns. SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1008

** HF and 50 MHz activity from Albania **

Mitko, LZ1UQ and Andy, LZ2HM will be active as ZA/LZ1UQ and ZA/LZ2HM from Albania from 26 April to 5 May. They will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on the HF bands and 6 metres. QSL via home call.
SOURCE: [TNX NG3K] via [425ENG] 425 DX News #1042

** SPECIAL EVENT STATION GB5RST qrv from IO80 **

Rockbeare Quarry in Devon hosts GB5RST for Rockbeare Shutter Telegraph from Monday 25th April until Saturday 30th April 2011. The operator for this event is John, M0XIG, and will be QRV from HF to 70cm. This operation counts for IOTA EU-005, WLOTA 1841, WAB SY09 and WW Loc. IO80hr. QSL via M0XIG, direct or bureau. SWL cards are welcome. SOURCE: [GB2RS] via ICPO Bulletin (22-29 April 2011)

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like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USER who did send us info and News **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
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** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/kontact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

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429. WIANEWS FOR WEEK COMMENCING May 1 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-28 19:41:52 UTC
From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
Message-ID: <bd3a5044-978c-4712-b1b6-47e99361d822@smxsrv01.vintek.net>
Source record: 4469
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2011-05-01.mp3
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WIANEWS - May 1 - VK NATIONAL NEWS

THE BEST NEWS YOU'LL GET ALL WEEK

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email nationalnews@wia.org.au

http://www.wia.org.au (click news in member area) Submit your audio news

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Please.. If you are only submitting text and not audio, write your story as
you would expect to hear it being read back and NEVER send just links & url's.

WIANEWS FOR WEEK COMMENCING May 1 2011.

VK1WIA Is Off To Mars

VK4XJJ JEFF commences second transcontinental walk

VK3AUD Sarah Thompson, Secretary of the WIA on Darwin AGM

VK2ASD WIA Vice President Phil Wait on RAVEN

ALL THESE STORIES UP AND COMING IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS
INSTITUTE OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING MAY 01 2011.

VK1WIA Is Off To Mars, The Red Planet and you can come along for the ride!

Yes now YOU can send your call sign to Mars

NASA are collecting names to be put on a microchip that'll be onboard
the Mars Science Laboratory rover heading to Mars Later this year. Some
Radio Amateurs have been adding their call sign to last name field. As
well as having your call sign travelling around the Martian surface you
also get a electronic commemorative certificate to print out on your
home computer.

The rover has an unusual connection with radio, as we reported earlier in WIA National News it has special Morse Code indentations on its wheels that will spell out the initials JPL in Morse as it travels around Mars.

JPL stands for Jet Propulsion Laboratory, builders of the rover.

Put your name/call sign on Mars at
http://marsparticipate.jpl.nasa.gov/msl/participate/sendyourname/

(sourced from Southgate news)

Closer, here on the Blue Planet, last week, Sunday the 24th of April, Jeff Johnson VK4XJJ commenced his second transcontinental walk, this time from east to west.

He commenced on the east coast at Byron Bay and after 167 days he plans to reach the west coast at Steel Point in Western Australia.

He will be walking just below the VK2 / VK4 border, passing through Lismore, Tenterfield, Walgett, Bourke and going out of VK2 into VK5 at Camerons Corner.

On his walk Jeff is seeking funds for NETS with the goal of raising $80,000 towards a NETS ambulance.

The Walcha Radio Group has written to all Amateurs in the New England and North West area asking them to donate to Jeff's Walk as he passes through their region.

Brian Kelly VK2WBK is taking the donations.

Brian at P.O Box 223 TAMWORTH 2340.

3323wbk@tpg.com.au

0418 659 043

Jeff's web site lists sked times in the late afternoon when he will be on 40 metres - 7045 kHz at 1730 hours -then 1830 hours on 80 metres 3612 kHz.

Beware bogus requests for help

The RSGB is advising its members to be on the look-out for bogus emails purporting to be from other radio amateurs and asking for help.

They say: We have been made aware of a scam that is currently being operated via email to obtain money from unsuspecting radio amateurs.

An email, purporting to be from a well known amateur and signed with that amateur's first name, explains that they have been mugged in some foreign city, losing passport and money. Needless to say, it requests financial support to get the amateur out of difficulties.

Several different prominent callsigns have been used by the scammers.

Obviously the rule here is to ignore such requests.

(sourced from Southgate news)

A great for amateur radio and public relations

>From the Salamanca Lawns, Hobart, through to the displays at the Rapid Creek Business Village Sunday markets Darwin, down to Stirk Park, Kalamunda Western Australia, the flag was flown for amateur radio.

Sunday the 17th of April was indeed a very successful public relations day with 30-odd registered to participate in every state and the Northern Territory.

About half of those registered gave a summary of what they did on the day and were quickly posted in the WIA website for all to see.

>From the reports received people exposed to amateur radio for the first time, shown what it has to offer them, and it was a worthwhile exercise in terms of encouraging more licensees.

The displays ranged from the basic to the more elaborate. Always remaining as professional in their style and the nature of what people needed to know.

Clubs and groups are now thinking about the benefits including media exposure and recruits into amateur radio and even more will register next year.

Many agreed that lessons had been learnt and they have the opportunity to share them by making a formal entry that requires some photographic and log proof. The entries need to reach the WIA National Office by the 13th of May.

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

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FROM ANDERSSON HOUSE THE WEEKLY WIA DIRECTORS SPOT.

WIA Emergency Communications

Several weeks ago I discussed the WIA's emergency communications training system, and how the $10,000 in seed funding allocated by the WIA Board last year has now resulted in over 100 people being awarded nationally recognised qualifications in emergency communications.

I would now like to tell you about the next step.

The emergency communications scheme was always intended to be a two-part process - training and accreditation. All voting-WIA members who have completed the training course and who have been assessed as competent will be able to apply for WIA accreditation as an emergency communications operator.

Accreditation will not be automatic, and only those people who meet certain criteria for availability, health and mobility will be accredited. This is necessary to ensure we provide an effective and useful resource to emergency services, and we don't want to put members at undue risk.

The WIA intends to promote the emergency communications program to emergency services and non-government organisations and is currently considering how that can best be done.

Also the new emergency communications system needs a name, and the name adopted so far is RAVEN - Radio Amateur Volunteer Emergency Network.

It is considered important that the term Radio Amateur is included in the name, and we wanted to avoid any confusion with WICEN.

In a few weeks I'll tell you how things are progressing and maybe tell you about some more initiatives in emergency communications from the WIA.

This is Phil Wait, VK2ASD, for the WIA.

WIA AGM

This is Sarah Thompson VK3AUD, Secretary of the WIA

As you know, the WIA Annual Conference is being held over the weekend of 27 to 29th of May at the Mirambeena Resort in Darwin.

Recently I outlined the full programme of events to be held over the weekend. If you missed it, you can catch up at the WIA website, wia.org.au by clicking on the front page photograph of the Darwin sunset.

Today I want to focus on one of the Sunday activities - our trip to Litchfield National Park. The information I'm presenting is from the "The Essential Top End Holiday Guide' - a publication each delegate will receive upon registration.

Named after Frederick Henry Litchfield, a member of the first European expedition to visit the area, Litchfield was the centre for tin and copper mining for 75 years until 1955. It then fell under pastoral lease until it was designated a National Park in 1986.

We will view the spectacular double waterfall set amid the monsoon forest at Florence Falls. Taking the 160 steps down to the plunge pool is optional!

We will visit the magnetic termite mounds. Thousands of two-metre high mounds reveal the architectural feats of these intriguing insects that build their mounds aligned north and south to minimise exposure to the sun and maximise temperature control.

Finally, we will have our BBQ lunch at the Wangi Falls - one of the Park's best swimming and picnicking spots.

Once again I urge you to please go to the WIA website now and register for this fantastic weekend. Accommodation can be booked at the special rates negotiated by the WIA by calling the Travelodge Mirambeena on 08 8946 0111 and speaking to Aleishia Good or Belinda Anthony, quoting the reference "WIA Conference"

This has been Sarah VK3AUD, on behalf of the WIA.

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

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CRARC will be again conducting a bi-monthly Foundation Course this month, Saturday 14th May and Sunday 15th May.

CRARC will also be conducting Assessments and Licence Upgrade Assessments on Sunday 15.

CRARC would like to have all monies in, now! - unless otherwise arranged.

See their web page for more details and application forms:

www.crarc.ampr.org/index.php/Main/Education

VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news

Next Trash & Treasure.

The next Trash & Treasure event at VK2WI will be Sunday May 29th. This is also the next opportunity to have an exam assessment at Dural

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/
VKC Roundup http://www.police

The Moorabbin and District Amateur Radio club is pleased to announce, this year's Hamfest will be held in the usual location, at the Brentwood Secondary College, Watsons Rd, Glen Waverley on Saturday 7th May - doors opening at 10am.

The Moorabbin Radio Club's annual Hamfest is proud to be Victoria's biggest and this year will be no exception with displays and sales of new or preloved equipment. A must come must see event for anyone interested in Radio Communications and electronics.

Major door prizes, free tea and coffee, light refreshments and a sausage sizzle will also be on offer.

Trader table bookings and general enquires can be made by emailing Graeme Lewis VK3GL

vk3gl@bigpond.com

or by phoning mobile 0418 171601.

Must see, must come event!!

VK4 - QNEWS
web service local audio news:- www.wiaq.com/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
local news email qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
VKR Roundup http://www.police.qld.gov.au/News+and+Alerts/Media+Releases/

Clairview Gathering Weekend over for another year

As the news goes to air this morning Radio Amateurs in Central Queensland are winding up yet another successful Clairview Gathering.

Some of the keener hams arrived at the Clairview Beach Holiday Village
- about 30 minutes south of Sarina on the Bruce Highway -
on Friday to quickly set up camp and get involved with one of the many
synergistic activities (a favourite drink, a yarn or two and some
serious loafing).

More arrived on Saturday and numbers swelled for the famous Saturday Night
Mega-Auction which again raised much needed funds for the Mackay and RADAR
Clubs.

Some hams are leaving this morning listening into the News by various means
whilst some lucky bods are going to enjoy another relaxing day and night
at Clairview by the Sea.

Thanks to everyone who rolled up to make the Gathering an enjoyable one!

(TARC)

Welcome to QNews from VK4WIA. I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP, and I've been thinking.

>From time to time people raise their concerns over their perceptions of what the
radio club or the WIA has or has not done. This is a fair point of discussion
amongst amateurs and all organisations try to foster active involvement in
growing.

If we see that our metering is indicating a problem with our antenna, do we act
to solve the problem or ignore it and just complain and complain and complain?

Some of these well meaning amateurs seem to take the latter path and never join
their local affiliated club or pay the subscription and become an Institute
member. Without doing something positive to get the message across, they are
just baying at the moon.

>From our clubs, input can go to the state Advisory Committee or direct to the
Institute. As a member, we get Amateur Radio magazine delivered and anyone can
listen to WIA News.

If you believe what you say, please get it into the system to benefit all
VK amateurs.

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think......how about you?

CLUBBING - TO SUPPLY NEWS ITEMS:-
email qnews@wia.org.au

Redcliffe and District Radio Club
www.redclifferadioclub.org.au/

I'm Ray, VK4CF with news from Redcliffe & Districts Radio club.

SILENT KEY - Roberto Benetti VK2ZEB

Last week the club was told of the passing of Rob Benetti, VK2ZEB. Rob died
last Thursday night after a debilitating illness and two falls. These together
caused him deteriorating health to which he finally succumbed. Rob was 72 years
old and a long time member of Summerland Amateur Radio Club and a good friend

of the Redcliffe club.

For many years he had a radio and TV repair business in Lismore. Rob's funeral, was held last Thursday at the Parkview Funeral Home, Goonellabah, with a large number of amateurs from NSW and several members of the Redcliffe club including John, VK4WX and Scott, VK4FLAE. All the members of the Redcliffe club express our sorrow and condolences to Elizabeth and all Rob's family and friends.

Last Wednesday, the usual club members had a good clean up of the surplus gear area and disposed of items which were of no use to anyone. However they still left some good "STUFF" behind and this can be collected from the club next Monday Night. Come along & help yourself to some of this preloved equipment that is now looking for a new home!

Club Secretary, Peter, VK4TAA has called for volunteers for the Bunnings BBQ fundraiser to be held on Saturday 11 June 2011, at the Bunnings store at Rothwell.

This fundraiser will require a lot of workers to man the Stall and as Bunning's have asked that the Sausages sizzle is operational (selling products) from 8am - 4pm as a minimum, with setup recommended at 7.30am. The stall will require 4 people on manning the kiosk at any point in time so if you can spare some 2 hours or so please contact Peter as soon as possible.

So now it's 73 from Ray, VK4CF from the Redcliffe club.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART and the WW sources of the WIA.

Radio Spectrum for the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games

As expected, the RSGB has been approached by Ofcom to help determine sections of the 70cm amateur band that could be released for a limited period around the London 2012 Games next year.

As a secondary user of the band, we as radio amateurs have no specific rights to any of those frequencies. Rather than just imposing changes, Ofcom has approached the Society in the spirit of cooperation to work together to solve the problem. The RSGB intends to work constructively on this matter to reach agreement with Ofcom on the segments that can be released on a temporary basis.

Ofcom has given clear and unambiguous assurance that the segments used will be returned once the London 2012 Games are over.

The RSGB is looking closely at how the spectrum is used in the designated geographical areas in and around London, Weymouth and South Essex in order to minimise the impact. We will be responding to Ofcom shortly.

The RSGB's response is being coordinated within the RSGB Spectrum Forum by Murray Niman, G6JYB.

Radio Amateur's 50th Wedding Anniversary

The Derby Telegraph newspaper reports that Radio Amateur Michael Brundle G6EBL and his wife Sheila will celebrate their 50th Wedding anniversary on the day that Prince William and Kate Middleton are to be wed.

Ah but did they apply to OFCOM for THEIR special callsign as in "GR" for Kate and William !

Read the Derby Telegraph story at www.thisisderbyshire.co.uk/

Amateur Radio suffers setback in surveillance robot battle

A robot used to covertly transmit live video during military operations in Iraq and Afghanistan was approved by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) for use by local and state fire-fighters and police, ending a legal battle between amateur radio operators and law enforcement over the device.

Called the Recon Scout Throwbot, the robot transmits over the 430-448 MHz portion of the 420-450 MHz frequency band, which is primarily used by the federal radiolocation service. The spectrum is also utilized by amateur radio enthusiasts. The latter group, spearheaded by the American Radio Relay League (ARRL), opposed a waiver request filed with the FCC by Recon Scout maker ReconRobotics Inc. to use the band.

The FCC approval does come with some limitations, however. The robot can only be used by state and local police and fire-fighters on the specific band. Operators must also first use the Recon Scout on 436-442 MHz bands. If those frequencies are inaccessible, then the 430-436 MHz and 442-448 MHz bands • where interference is more likely • can be accessed.

Use of the device is also limited to emergencies involving threats to the safety of life and training purposes. In addition, the Recon Scout is restricted from use near various radar installations and Air Force bases, and the amount of units that can be sold is limited to 2,000 the first year and 8,000 the second year. After that period of time, future sales will be re-evaluated, according to the FCC.

For those not aware, ReconRobotics bills itself as a world leader in tactical robotic systems. It claims that more than 1,200 of the company's robots have been deployed world-wide by the U.S. military and international friendly forces, federal, state and local law enforcement agencies, bomb squads and fire rescue teams. More about the company is on-line at www.reconrobotics.com

POST QUAKE HAM RADIO RELIEF EFFORTS CONTINUE IN JAPAN

Amateur radio relief operations are continuing to help with disaster recovery area struck by the worst earthquake in Japan in 140 years. We have more in this report from Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP:

Ken Yamamoto, JA1CJP, is the International Amateur Radio Union Region 3 Secretary. He reports that there are several

stations on 7.030 and 7.043 MHz who are handling medium distance information exchanges, but the majority of ham radio operations appear to be on the VHF and UHF bands.

As previously reported here on Newsline, JA1RL the headquarters station of the Japan Amateur Radio League in Tokyo, became a disaster communication centre in the days immediately following the giant killer quake. Yamamoto is quoted as saying that some 250 transceivers holding Japan Amateur Radio League licenses are being used for communications between various refugee camps and local government offices. He says that two sets of 430 MHz repeaters have been delivered to the disaster area. They are operational and being used to augment the existing repeater coverage and provide easier communications between those using the hand-held transceivers.

JA1CJP says that some towns are so heavily disrupted that the local government offices are also serving as refugee centres and the residents are staying in multiple locations. In such cases, amateur radio can contribute quite a lot in maintaining the ties between the local government and displaced residents.

The earthquake, now graded at nine on the Richter scale, and followed by a tsunami hit north-eastern Japan on March 11th. It has so far been blamed for over 13000 deaths and the destruction one of Japan's major nuclear power facilities. That plant near Fukushima is still the site of an intense campaign to bring several damaged reactors back under control and stop the leakage of radio active waste water into the ocean.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP, watching the situation from Scottsdale, Arizona.

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It's expected that the ongoing emergency communications being provided by amateur radio will continue for a considerable time to come. A presentation on the Japanese earthquake triple disaster and the role played in relief efforts by radio amateurs will be made at the 2011 Global Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Conference. It's slated for in Sun City, South Africa, in August.

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WEIRD AND WONDERFUL

FIGHTING FIRE WITH.... ELECTRICITY!

Harvard researchers are looking to replace the fireman's hose with a hand-held wand that shoots beams of electricity.

The idea that electricity can control a fire first came about 200 years ago. It was observed that electricity could twist, bend and even kill a flame.

Scientists believe electric currents make particles of soot within a flame move, which produces a flow of gas that weakens the flame and can cause it to die out. But in previous studies, chemists used direct current instead of alternating current to generate electric fields.

Now Harvard researchers have created an electric wand that puts these ideas to the test, but utilizes AC voltage instead.

The wand was connected to a 600-watt power source, and when shot at flames as high as 18 inches tall, the electric field produced a flow of charged particles that put the fire out completely, and almost instantly.

While the research is still in its early stages, it's noted that this technology has already shown greater benefit over water because it causes less damage to people's property. In addition, the wand allows fire-fighters to work from safer distances, and can even manipulate the flame to bend so they can enter burning buildings.

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2011

Apr 30 WW Marconi Day 2011

Apr 30 ZL/VK 2011 VK/ZL RTTY SPRINT 40 metres

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

TWO OPERATIONS APPROVED FOR CREDIT

ARRL DXCC Manager Bill Moore, NC1L, reports that two operations on Tristan Da Cunha and Gough have been approved for DXCC credit. The two are the 2010 ZD9AH operation and the 2010 through 2011 ZD9T operation.

According to Moore, if you had these operations rejected in a recent application, please send an e-mail to the ARRL DXCC Desk. He also says that due to heavy e-mail volume, you may not receive a reply, however updates will be posted in Logbook of The World accounts as well as online on the daily listings.

GB0BON June 19th to celebrate the 366th anniversary of the Battle of Naseby, the decisive battle of the English civil war June 1645 in the small hamlet of Naseby in Leicestershire.

(Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society)

AWARDS

The year 2014 marks the 50th anniversary of the launch of the Islands On The Air (IOTA) Programme by British SWL Geoff Watts, BRS-3129.

As a build-up to celebrations on this occasion, the RSGB IOTA Manager and Committee have announced an exciting activity period in which all licensed amateurs world-wide are invited to participate.

For a two-year period, 2012 and 2013, IOTA chasers will be encouraged to contact as many different IOTA groups as possible, and IOTA activators to play their part by operating from as many groups as possible, with special emphasis on the less-frequently activated ones.

The complete rules of the IOTA 50th Anniversary Marathon will appear in the forthcoming 'RSGB IOTA Directory' to be released at Dayton. They can also be seen on G3KMA's website

www.g3kma.dsl.pipex.com

www.rsgbiota.org

(Roger Balister, G3KMA sourced from Southgate news)

INTRUDER WATCH - ENFORCEMENT ZONE

Region III IARUMS Coordinator Peter Young VK3MV

VK IARUMS reflector email to subscribe intruders@wia.org.au

INTRUDER NETS
Friday 0730 UTC 7.065.5 with VK4CEU David.

Amateur exclusive frequencies where any non-amateur signal is definitely an intruder.

Amateur HF Spectrum world wide
7.050 to 7.100
14.000 to 14.250
14.250 to 14.350 No broadcasters
21.000 to 21.450
24.890 to 24.990
28.000 to 29.700

BRAZILIAN FREEBANDERS HEARD ON 10 METERS

The IARU Region 1 Intruder Watch newsletter reports that Brazilian CB-like or so called Freeband stations using full carrier AM is now often audible between 28.000 and 28.305 MHz. Most of these stations are being heard in the evening hours. The report says that the Brazilian telecommunications regulator Anatal seems to have no interest in this problem or in keeping these stations from operating in the 10 meter Amateur Service band.

(ARNEWSLINE)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ATV (Every pixel tells a story) - Video
arvideonews.com
hamradiotube.com
youtube.com

qdg.org.au

W5KUB TO NETCAST FROM DAYTON HAMVENTION

Tom Medlin, W5KUB, says that he will one again be streaming live audio and video from the Dayton Hamvention. According to Tom, this will be the 9th year that he will be netcasting live on w5kub.com beginning with his 550 mile ride from his home in Memphis, Tennessee, right to the Hamvention site at the Hara Arena in Dayton.

During this years netcast, Tom will also be giving away over $5000 in prizes to give lucky viewers. Some of the prize donors include Heil Sound, Kenwood, Yaesu, MFJ, Kantronics, LDG and the ARRL. That alone is something that you won't want to miss.

So if you cannot make it to Hamvention 2011, you can attend vicariously from May 18th to the 22nd thanks to Tom Medlin, W5KUB, and his crew at W5KUB.com

(W5KUB VIA ARNEWSLINE)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP --- OPTICS
Australian Optical DX Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Optical_DX/

UK LIGHT COMMUNICATIONS DISTANCE RECORD CHALLENGED

An optical distance record claimed in the U-K may not be a record after all.

Amateur Radio Newsline's Frank Haas KB4T, says they have received numerous e-mails that say the accomplishment in the UK falls far short of other claimed distances set elsewhere around the globe. In fact, the number of such claims far outweighs the space we have available to report them all.

But as pointed out by one of their listeners, the 90 kilometre distance claimed in the UK is only about 56 miles and there are a number of well-documented communications over longer distances. This includes one as early as 1962 in southern California.

The bottom line: If hams are going to lay claim to optical distance records, then what is needed is an organization respected and accepted by all of the worlds ham radio community to corroborate any claims made, and to declare who has set a valid record and who has not.

(ARNewsline from listener input)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RESCUE RADIO
IARU REGION 3
Emergency Centre of Activity (CoA) frequencies
3.600, 7.110, 14.300, 18.160 and 21.360 MHz

RESCUE RADIO THE MOVIE... well a 1959 movie called "Every Single Minute."

This is an historic amateur radio movie about AR and emergency communications, and is available on YouTube.

In 1955, The Phil-Mont Mobile Radio Club, an association of mobile amateur radio operators in the Philadelphia, Pennsylvania area in the US provided emergency communications during the devastating flooding along the Delaware River and in the Pocono Mountains following Hurricane Diane, the sixth costliest U.S. hurricane of the 20th century.

In 1959, the club produced this short film to explain amateur radio, and especially mobile communications as practiced by the club.

The main film begins after a three minute interview with Jim Spencer, W3BBB, produced by a local cable channel many years later (Jim was a very young man W3QQH in the original film, and is now SK.

(Southgate)

GAREC 2011

The International Amateur Radio Union - Region 1 website reports that the Global Amateur Radio Emergency Conference (GAREC) 2011 will be held in conjunction with the IARU Region 1 General Conference in Sun City, South Africa from 15th to 19th August.

As GAREC has to slot in between the main IARU meetings it is possible for IARU delegates to attend GAREC.

Registration for GAREC is now open for emergency communicators and more details are available at

www.iaru2011.org.za/GAREC2011.htm

The draft agenda for the conference should be posted to that website soon.

Information from earlier conferences is available at www.iaru.org/emergency/

(Southgate)

SOCIAL SCENE

2011

Apr30-May1 VK4 Clairview Gathering contact Clive VK4ACC of RADAR Club 04 2963 2815.

May 7 VK3 Moorabbin and District Amateur Radio club Hamfest Brentwood Secondary College, Glen Waverley vk3gl@bigpond.com

May 7 VK4 Brisbane Amateur Radio Club's BARCfest, Mt. Gravatt Show grounds, 1600 Logan Road, Upper Mt. Gravatt 9:30AM email vk4so@wia.org.au

May 27-29 WIA AGM Weekend in Darwin secretary@wia.org.au

Jun 10 - 12 VK4 Far North and North Queensland Amateur Radio Gathering at
King Reef Resort Kurrimine Beach.

Jun 11 - 12 VK2 Oxley Region Amateur Radio Club annual Field Day

Jul 16 VK3 Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club Hamfest
Cranbourne Community Hall 10am (secretary@ggrec.org.au)

Jul 16 VK4 Maryborough Electronics and Radio Group "Wide Bay Hamfest"
West Scout Hall, Ariadne St, Maryborough 8:30am.
secretary@merg.org.au

Jul 31 VK2/3 Riverina Field Day 10am at Lavington Scout Group Hall.

Aug 7 VK2 Lismore region - SARCFEST

Sep 11 VK3 SADARC Comms Day at St Augustine's Hall Shepparton 10am.

Sep 16-18 VK4 NQ Amateur Radio Convention Date Set Townsville

Sep 23-28 R3 Region 3 ARDF Championship Bendigo VK3
http://r3.ardf.org.au/

Sep 30-Oct 2 VK4 Central Highlands Amateur Radio Club AGM at Camp Fairbairn
CONTACT Secretary Gordon, (vk4kal@wia.org.au)

Nov 20 vk5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society Hamfest
Goodwood Community Centre, Rosa St Goodwood at 0930.
Visit www.ahars.com.au for contact details

2012

15TH IARU REGION 3 CONFERENCE hosted by V.A.R.C. in Ho-Chi-Minh City, Vietnam.

JAN 23-FEB 17 YEAR 2012
World Radio Conference WRC-11 Geneva 23rd January TO 17th February 2012

MAY 3-18 2012 VK5
YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

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http://lists.wia.org.au/mailman/listinfo/vk1wia-news

430. [DXNL] DXNL 1725 (Apr 27, 2011)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-29 05:36:45 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <138324546803.20110429073050@dxhf.darc.de>
Source record: 4470
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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HI - DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, NA-096
Ronny,ON4ARV, will be active as HI7/OT4R from Punta Cana from May 2-20.
He will be active in SSB on 20m/15m/10m daily from 2000-2200 UTC.
QSLs are available only via LoTW and eQSL.
For more information click on: http://www.OT4R.net

Marcello,HI7/IK8DNJ, will be QRV in holiday style in SSB and digital
modes on 10m/12m/15m/17m/20m/40m between Apr 30 and May 13.
His QSL manager IZ8LKL confirms via bureau, direct or LoTW.

JD1 - OGASAWARA, AS-031
Makoto,JD1BLY (JI5RPT), Harry,JD1BMH (JG7PSJ), and
Masaru,JD1BMT (JE4SMQ), are staying on Chichijima (AS-031) again by
the end of April and beginning of May but will stay there for
different period of times. You can expect activities from:
JD1BLY: Apr 30 until May 7
JD1BMT: Apr 30 until May 4
JD1BMH: May 4-13
Activities are planned in CW, SSB and digital modes on 160m-6m and
via satellite. You can visit the websites of the OPs for news and logs:
JD1BLY: http://www.ji5rpt.com/jd1
JD1BMH: http://sapphire.es.tohoku.ac.jp/jd1bmh
JD1BMT: http://homepage3.nifty.com/maaberu/logsjd1/logsearch.html
QSL cards should be sent via bureau or direct to their homecalls.

KH0 - NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS, OC-086
Kan,JJ2RCJ/AB2RF, will show up as AH0/AB2RF from Saipan (OC-086) from
May 1-5. He will focus especially on RTTY and PSK. QSL via JJ2RCJ.
You can have a look at his rental shack at this site:
http://saipan.rental-shack.com/english

PY0T - TRINDADE & MARTIM VAZ ISLANDS, SA-010
Junior,PY2ZA, has left the Brazilian mainland on Apr 25 and should
arrive on Trindade Island (SA-010) around Apr 29. He will be active
from there for several months signing PP0T in CW, SSB, BPSK and RTTY
on 160m-6m until June. His preferred frequencies are:
CW: 1824, 3514, 7014, 10114, 14014, 18084, 21014, 24904, 28014 kHz
SSB: 1850, 3790, 7065/7185, 14195, 18140, 21285, 24940, 28475 kHz
BPSK: 1838, 3600, 7035, 10110, 14071, 18100, 21080, 24920, 28120 kHz
RTTY: 3582, 7038, 10140, 14082, 18102, 21082, 24922, 28082 kHz
6m: 50.104 (CW), 50.140 (SSB), 50.500 (BPSK) MHz
More information can be found at: http://www.trindade2011.com
Unfortunately QSL only direct or via LoTW to EB7DX.

VK0M - MACQUARIE ISLAND, AN-005
Denis,ZL4DB, will stay on Macquarie Island (AN-005) again for three
months starting in the end of April. He plans to work as VK0M/ZL4DB/p
only in SSB. Kevin,VK0KEV, who is working there until March 2012 helps
him to get started. QSLs via bureau or direct to ZL4PW.

XV - VIETNAM
Ken,JA2LLK, is going to hit the airwaves as XV9LL workin on all bands
from the Nikko Hotel in Hanoi starting in the end of April. Nothing is
known about the length of his stay. QSL via homecall, JARL bureau ok.

ZA - ALBANIA
Mitko,ZA/LZ1UQ, and Andy,ZA/LZ2HM, are working from Albania in
CW/SSB/RTTY on all bands between Apr 26 and May 5.
The QSL cards should be sent via their homecalls.

3A - MONACO
OM Andrea,3A/IZ2LSC, announced to show up in CW/SSB on 40m-10m on
Apr 30/May 1. He will be QRV with 100 watts and a multiband vertical.
Andrea asks for everybody's patience in CW since he is a beginner.
QSL via bureau or LoTW to his homecall.

6W - SENEGAL
Fernando,6W/EA1BT, will be active from May 3-12. QSL via homecall.

9G - GHANA
Kees,PE1KL, and Lisa,PA2LS, will sign 9G5LK from Ampenyi between
Apr 28 and May 6. You can expect activities in SSB, PSK31 and RTTY
on 80m-10m. QSL via bureau, direct or LoTW to PA2LS.
You can apply for a special award if you have at least two QSOs with
9G5LK on different bands or modes.
More information on the DXpedition website: http://www.pe1kl-pa2ls.com

AUSTRIA, SPECIAL EVENT STATION
The amateur radio section of the Austrian broadcasting company (ORF)
and the Documentation Archive Funk (QSL Collection) will activate the
special event station OE11M for only 72 hours from Apr 29 until May 1.
On Saturday, Apr 30, which is the International Marconi Day, OE11M
counts for the IMD award as one of the 25 IMD stations worldwide.
QSL via OE bureau or direct to OE1WHC. QSL cards without SAE and

sufficient postage (new IRC or US$) will be confirmed via bureau.
A QSL download is available at http://www.qsl.at/down/oe11m.tif (TIFF)
or http://www.qsl.at/down/oe11m.jpg (JPG).

CZECH REPUBLIC, SPECIAL EVENT STATION
Members of the radio club OK1KWN will activate OL950CHEB throughout
the month of May to celebrate the 950th anniversary of the city of
Cheb (see: http://www.mestocheb.eu). QSL via bureau or direct to OK1MO.
You can have also an eQSL but only for digital modes.

IRELAND, SPECIAL EVENT STATION
During the "International Marconi Day" on Apr 30 the "Cork Radio Club"
will be QRV in CW and SSB on all bands signing EI5IMD from Brow Head.
Brow Head is the place where Marconi made his radio experiments.
QSL via EI9FBB, via bureau or direct.

ITALY, SPECIAL EVENT STATION
The ARI section Frascati will show up as IY0ORP from the Geophysical
museum in Rocca di Papa near Rome on the International Marconi Day.
Activities are planned on 20m and 40m. QSL via IZ0FVD, bureau ok.

POLAND, SPECIAL EVENT STATION
The special callsign SQ100MSC remembers Maria Skodowska-Curie from
May 1 until July 31. She was the very first woman to win a Nobel prize
in 1911 (chemistry).
Please send your QSLs direct to his QSL manager SP5XSL and enclose
a SAE and a new IRC or two US Dollar.
More information about the Maria Skodowska-Curie award can be found at:
http://qrz.com/db/sq100msc

THE NETHERLANDS, SPECIAL EVENT STATION
The International Short Wave League (ISWL) celebrates its 65th jubilee.
Fred,PA0FAW, will activate the special callsign PC65ISWL especially in
digital modes and CW from May 1-28.
When you hear him in SSB it is very likely that he is working from the
nature reserve WFF PA-005.

PACIFIC TRIP: Charlie,W6KK, Carlos,EA1IR, and Hrane,YT1AD, have left the
T31A team since it was not clear if they return in time (due to the
delay). Carlos and Hrane were active from Tonga signing A35IR and A35AD
until Apr 26. Their next stop is Fiji (3D2IR & 3D2AD) from Apr 26-29.
Last not least they will visit American Samoa, where they plan to
become active as KH8/EA1IR and KH8/N9YU between Apr 29 and May 1.

WFF OPERATION: Phil,VE1WT, is working as VE1WFF from the Kejimkujik national
park in Nova Scotia from Apr 27-29. He plans to be QRV in SSB on 40m,
20m and 15m and maybe also in CW on 30m.
QSL via bureau or direct to VE1WT.

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the

VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

May 1: AGCW-DL QRP/QRP-Party
May 1-7: SARTG New Year RTTY Contest
May 1-7: Activity week of the DTC

IOTA collected by Ric,DL2VFR (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
EU-064, F: F4ELJ/p is working from Noirmoutier from Apr 30 until May 7.
QSLs via F4ELJ (bureau/direct).

EU-076, LA: The QLF-DX-Team members LA5UKA and LA9VDA will show up in CW,
SSB and RTTY on 10m-80m signing LA6Q between Apr 29 and May 1.
QSL via LA9VDA (bureau/direct).
Bureau QSLs can be requested also via e-mail to: la9vda@gmail.com

EU-108, GM: A group of the GMDX club is going to activate the
Treshnish Isles (IOSA NH17) from Apr 28 until May 1. They will work
with two stations, amplifiers and verticals signing GB5TI in CW, SSB
and RTTY on 10m-80m. QSL via LoTW or direct to MM0BQI.
Bureau QSLs can be requested via e-mail to: gb5ti.qsl@gmail.com

EU-123, GM/MM, Scottish Coastal Islands: Two members of the "Camb Hams" will
be QRV as GS3PYE/p and GS6PYE/p from Arran (IOSA CL-01, SCOTIA CS-14)
from May 1-8. QSLs for both calls via M0VFC (bureau/direct).

EU-146, PA: The special event call PD04ISLE celebrates the 4th anniversary
of the nature reserve on Tiengemeten Island during the whole month
of May. QSL via PD2GCM (bureau/direct).
More information is available at: http://pd04isle.webklik.nl

EU-172, OZ: Noel,OZ/OO4O, activates Fyn Island (DIA FY-001, WLOTA 2690)
mostly in SSB from May 1-6. QSL via ON bureau and via LoTW.

NA-221, XE: XF2P will show up from Lobos in the Gulf of Mexico between
Apr 29 and May 2. Only 17 % of all IOTA chasers have this group
confirmed already. QSL via XE1P (bureau/direct).
See also: http://xf2p.puebladx.org/XF2P/Bienvenida.html

IOTA NEWS

The "2011 Honour Roll and Annual Listings" can be found on the website
of Roger,G3KMA: http://www.g3kma.dsl.pipex.com

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emphasis on the less-frequently activated ones. The points system
adopted rewards 'Activators' with higher scores for activating the
rarer IOTA groups. Certificates and awards will be available to both
'Chasers' and 'Activators' to reflect attainment of graduated bands of
performance together with attractive prizes for top scorers.
The Marathon starts on 1 January 2012.
The full rules have been uploaded to G3KMA's website at
http://www.g3kma.dsl.pipex.com

Bandspots of the last 7 days

160m
ZL3IX 1.832 1907Z (B)

80m
FJ/OH2YL 3.502 0403Z via OH2YL (B), (L)

40m
EA2EA/p 7.031 0823Z SOTA NV-122
FS/F5JSD 7.014 0504Z via F5JSD (B), (L)
P48ADI 7.005 0326Z
SM7DAY/p 7.009 0433Z EU-138 (B)

30m
FJ/OH2YL 10.116 0645Z via OH2YL (B), (L)
VA5DX 10.108 0410Z (B)
VP5/W5CW 10.110 0653Z NA-002

20m
A43WARD 14.285 1526Z via A47RS (B)
EA1AQ/p 14.280 1524Z SOTA LU-012
EA1LQ/p 14.300 1450Z SOTA PO-014
EA2DCA/p 14.265 1919Z SOTA BI-014
EC1CW/p 14.285 1130Z SOTA AV-016
EC1CW/p 14.325 1752Z SOTA LU-024
K4QS 14.059 1843Z SOTA FC-005
NE1SJ 14.062 1458Z SOTA W1/MB-015
W4EON 14.282 1736Z SOTA W4/SH-002
YI1IRQ 14.280 1513Z (d)
6W/DL2AWG 14.180 0850Z via DL2AWG (B)

17m
EA6/DL7UCX 18.071 1728Z EU-004, via DL7UCX (B)
T31A 18.069 1120Z via W2IJ (B)
XE2HQI 18.080 2157Z (B)
5N6/YL2SW 18.080 2058Z via YL2SW

15m
A60WARD 21.013 1632Z via EA7FTR
FM/F6ARC 21.017 1702Z via F6ARC (B)
K3NG 21.012 1741Z SOTA PO-023, (L)

PJ2/DL6LAU 21.012 1146Z via DL6LAU (B)
VQ5JV 21.013 1702Z
VU2PTT 21.007 1827Z
4L4C 21.280 1543Z (B)
4S7DXG 21.005 1709Z via UR9IDX (d)
5V7CC 21.220 1143Z via DL9MBI (B)
5V7CC 21.005 0757Z via DL9MBI (B)
6W/DL2AWG 21.290 1613Z via DL2AWG (B)

12m
FJ/OH2YL 24.893 1406Z via OH2YL (B), (L)
5N7M 24.890 1658Z via OM3CGN (B)
5V7CC 24.900 1706Z via DL9MBI (B)

10m
CP6XE 28.479 1503Z via IK6SNR (B)
EA6/DL6CT 28.497 1548Z via DL6CT (B)
PY2TKB 28.465 1832Z
PY3PDR 28.482 1828Z
TO2FH 28.015 1322Z AF-027, (d)
TO2FH 28.495 0850Z AF-027, (d)
VP5/W5CW 28.006 1506Z NA-002
YF1AR 28.500 1334Z OC-150, via M0OXO (B)
ZP6CW 28.017 1658Z via ZP6CU (L), (d)
4O3A 28.021 0740Z via YU1FW (B)
5N6/YL2SW 28.024 1524Z via YL2SW
5V7CC 28.020 1448Z via DL9MBI (B)
9N7DX 28.005 1140Z via 4Z4DX

* = new QSL manager
(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(L) = LoTW
(r) = bureau QSL via e-mail request

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

30Apr/01May 3A/IZ2LSC 1725 *
26Apr-29Apr 3D2IR & 3D2AD 1725 *
-Dec 3Y8XSA 1700/1717
25Apr-03May 4K3AC 1724
-25Oct 5B50J 1700
-28Apr 5V7CC 1723
-08Jun 5X1VJ 1721
-Apr/12 5Z4RH ? 1674
03May-12May 6W/EA1BT 1725 *
-31Dec 9A11P 1723
25Apr-30Apr 9A/S50R 1724
28Apr-06May 9G5LK 1725 *
-Sep 9J2KK 1682

NOW 9M6/KM9D 1699
25Apr-30Apr 9M8DX/2 1724
13Apr-30Apr 9N7DX & 9N7YL 1723
SOON 9Q1EK 1669
-Nov 9Q6CC 1699

-Aug A92IO 1663
01May-05May AH0/AB2RF 1725 *
-31Dec BP100 1684
-31Dec BV100 1684
-01May CN2PV 1714
-31Dec CW5RV 1711
-May D2AK 1675
-31Aug DL20Y2DM 1700
30Apr EI5IMD 1725 *
22Apr-04Jun F/ON4LO/p 1724
30Apr-07May F4ELJ/p 1725 *
15Apr-27Apr FJ/OH2YL 1723
-Aug FO8RZ 1636
-Jul/12 FR8NE 1710

28Apr-01May GB5TI 1725 *
01May-08May GS3PYE/p 1725 *
-31Dec HB60LU 1711
-31Dec HG15IPA 1724
01Jan-31Dec HG200LST 1708
-30Jun HG2011A 1713
-05Jun HI3/KL7JR 1717/1721
30Apr-13May HI7/IK8DNJ 1725 *
02May-20May HI7/OT4R 1725 *
-May HR5/F2JD 1718
20Apr-04May HR5/N2WB 1724
01Jan-31Dec IA7MM 1708
02Apr-15May II1ECO 1722
01Jan-31Dec II1ITA.. 1708
01Mar-30Sep IO4UI 1717
30Apr IY0ORP 1725 *

-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul/12 J28RO 1683
30Apr-07May JD1BLY 1725 *
04May-13May JD1BMH 1725 *
30Apr-04May JD1BMT 1725 *
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
POSTPONED KH5 1674/1705
29Apr-01May KH8/EA1IR.. 1725 *
-31Dec LA200D 1713
29Apr-01May LA6Q 1725 *
-31Dec LZ85R 1721
26Apr-29Apr MS0KLR 1724
29Apr-01May OE11M 1725 *

May &Aug OL100VP 1721
Jun OL1911VP 1721
Apr &Jul OL2011VP 1721
May OL950CHEB 1725 *
22Apr-29Apr OZ/DO1BEN.. 1724
01May-06May OZ/OO4O 1725 *

-Sep P29CW 1713
02Apr-27Apr P29VCX.. 1721
01Jan-31Dec PA30.. 1708
01May-28May PC65ISWL 1725 *
May PD04ISLE 1725 *
Apr -Jun PP0T 1725 *
22Apr-29Apr R25CH 1724
-Dec RI1ANC 1708
01May-31Jul SQ100MSC 1725 *
21Apr-28Apr T31A 1723/1724
2010 -May T6JC & T6TL 1695

27Apr-29Apr VE1WFF 1725 *
-Mar/12 VK0KEV (Macq) 1700/1701
-Jun VK0M/ZL4DB/p 1725 *
23Mar-20Apr VP5/W5CW 1720
-27Apr VP9KF 1724
29Apr-02May XF2P 1725 *
NOW XT2RJA 1712
18Apr-30Apr XV4YY 1723
Apr XV9LL 1725 *
26Apr-05May ZA/LZ1UQ 1725 *
-Sep ZD9GI 1691
-31Dec ZL50GH 1711

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

AO1WRD via EA4URE (B)
AO2WRD via EA4URE (B)
AO3WRD via EA4URE (B)
AO4WRD via EA4URE (B)
AO5WRD via EA4URE (B)
AO6WRD via EA4URE (B)
AO7WRD via EA4URE (B)
AO8WRD via EA4URE (B)
AO9WRD via EA4URE (B)
BA2BA via BA4EG (B)
BA2FO via BA4EG (B)
BA3TT via BA4EG (B)
BA4DA via BA4EG (B)
BA4DZ via BA4EG (B)

BA4IT via BA4EG (B)
BA4KA via BA4EG (B)
BA4KA via BA4EG (B)
BA4TB via BA4EG (B)
BA4WI via BA4EG (B)
BA5AP via BA4EG (B)
BA5AT via BA4EG (B)
BA6IT via BA4EG (B)
BA6IV via BA4EG (B)
BA6QH via BA4EG (B)
BA7KM via BA4EG (B)
BA7LO via BA4EG (B)
BA8CW via BA4EG (B)
BD4CQ via BA4EG (B)
BD4EP via BA4EG (B)
BD4HZ via BA4EG (B)
BD4ITN via BA4EG (B)
BD4IZL via BA4EG (B)
II5O via (B), eQSL or I5NXH (d)
IR0IAR via IK0IXI (B)
KH6/N0FUX via IK0FUX (B), (L)
KH8/AI5P via AI5P (B)
LY25QT via LY2QT
LZ02WFF via LZ1BJ (B)
MD/DH7FB via DH7FB (B)
OM2011IHWC via OM0CS (B)
OM2011IIHF via OM5CD (B), eQSL
OM75IHWC via OM5NA (B), (L), eQSL
PJ7/K2GSJ via K2GSJ (B)
R50SK via RZ3AHQ
R50YG via RZ3AHQ
RG50C via RA4CEO (B)
RK0AZC/p via RX0AE
SB7J via SA7BBG
SB7ST via SK7CE (B)
SD5SKJ via SM5YW
SG7HZK via SM7HZK (B), eQSL
SI350CP via SM-bureau
SM2H via SA2YLM
SM3G via SM3GQP
SM3L via SA3BPA (L), eQSL
SM4J via SM4JPD (B)
SN3S via SQ3LVO (B), (L), eQSL
SN5V via SQ5EBM (B), (L), eQSL
SN9V via SP9YGD (B)
SN0MD via SP1PNW (B)
SO100MSC via SP2FAP (d), eQSL
SO1TH via DF6TH (B)
SO7A via SP7MOC (B), (L), eQSL
SQ0MORSE via SP1PBW

TK/F8DZY via F8DZY (B), (L)
TM26UFT via F6ICG (B), (L)
TM4FFU via F8FKD (B), (L) , eQSL
TO2FH online direct - QSL request
UQ50G via UN6QC (d), (L), eQSL
W1ESE via AI4U (B)
XE1RK via EA5ZD
YF1AR via N2OO (B)
YU0NS via YU7BPQ (B)
5W0IR via VK2IR (March/April 2002)
5X1JM (d), eQSL

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(r) = e-mail request

QSLs arrived direct: PJ2T (N9AG)

QSLs arrived bureau: KP2/NY6X (NA-106), LA/DL3BRE (EU-141), LX30AK (LX1CC),
MJ/OH1NOA (EU-013), MM/DL1BSN (EU-005),
OH3I/p (EU-126, OH3BL), OJ0W (EU-053, OH3WS),
OZ0TX (EU-125), OZ/DL6DH/p (EU-030), OZ/G0GRC (EU-172),
PW2IO (SA-071, PT7WA), R100W (RZ0WWU),
SV5/DJ5AA/p (EU-001), TA2/DL2AGB, TA2/DL2JRM,
TF/DJ2VO (EU-071), TF/DL3SEM (EU-021), TK/DJ6OZ,
TK/F6EPO/QRP (EU-014),TK/9A6XX (EU-014),
TK/9A8MM (EU-014), TO3R (AF-016, RW3RN), 9U4T (ON4FG)

QSL via LoTW: HB0/OK6DJ/p, HB9CXK, HB9EXF/p, HI7/EA7LS, PJ2/W1NG,
PJ2/W5ZPA, PJ4/W9NJY, PJ5/SP6EQZ, PJ7E, PZ5WP, R0L,
RU0LL, RI0L, S92LX, SV8/OK6DJ, T5W, TA7/KM8W, UN8GV,
V55DLH, VK2BJ, VP5/VE3OP, W3MC, XX9TLX, 4X/K2LS,
9H3OT, 9M6/UA3QNS, 9Q50ON, 9X0LX

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Date: 2011-04-29 06:31:27 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20110429001523.35A3F27D98E@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 4471
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==> + PUBLIC SERVICE: TORNADOES AND THUNDERSTORMS KEEP RADIO AMATEURS
BUSY IN MIDWEST, SOUTHEAST

As violent storms swept through Alabama, Mississippi, Arkansas and
North Carolina, served agencies called upon Amateur Radio operators to
help provide communications support and real-time weather observations.
The storms and flooding were the latest in the severe weather that has
pummeled much of the mid-South this month. Just a week ago, storms tore
a wide path from Oklahoma all the way to North Carolina. Read more here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/tornadoes-and-thunderstorms-keep-radio-amateurs-bus
y-in-midwest-southeast>.

==> + COUNTING DOWN TO DAYTON -- WHERE GLOBAL FRIENDSHIP TAKES CENTER
STAGE
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The ARRL is making all the final plans and preparations to bring its "show and tell" exposition -- known as ARRL EXPO -- to the Dayton Hamvention® next month. Hamvention, sponsored by Dayton Amateur Radio Association since 1952, will be held May 20-22 at the Hara Arena Conference and Exhibition Center in Trotwood, Ohio. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/counting-down-to-dayton-where-global-friendship-takes-center-stage>.

==> + SILENT KEY: JAMES MCLAUGHLIN, WA2EWE/T6AF, KILLED BY AFGHAN PILOT

James McLaughlin, WA2EWE/T6AF, was killed in Kabul, Afghanistan on Wednesday, April 27. News sources say that eight American troops and a US contractor died Wednesday after an Afghan military pilot opened fire during a meeting in an operations room of the Afghan Air Corps at the Kabul airport -- the deadliest episode to date of an Afghan turning against his coalition partners, officials with the NATO-led International Security Assistance Force (ISF <http://www.isaf.nato.int/>) in Afghanistan said. McLaughlin -- a retired US Army Lieutenant Colonel -- was a contractor serving as a flight instructor for Afghan pilots.

Licensed since 1972, McLaughlin was a career US military officer. Bob Magnani, K6QXY, told the ARRL that McLaughlin was just in the US a week ago, visiting his family: "His son Adam, KD6POE, works for me. He told me that his dad had been in Afghanistan and Iraq many times over the past few years, most currently serving as a flight instructor." McLaughlin posted on his qrz.com page that "almost every day, I operate at around 1230 - 1430 UTC. Sometimes I am QRV until around 1500 UTC."

Steve Herman, W7VOA/T6AD/HL9OA -- currently in Seoul, South Korea -- remembers meeting McLaughlin for the first time. "I first met Jim in August 2009 when we were the only two hams operating in Kabul," he wrote in an e-mail. "We exchanged tips on operating in our unusual environment. Jim had put together a fine radio shack in his quarters and was especially enthusiastic about his RTTY and PSK capabilities, as well as the ladder line-fed wire dipole he had managed to string up at a height of 50 feet through some trees.

"Less than 24 hours after our initial discussion, a suicide bomb went off in Kabul near the spot where we had arranged to meet. The blast killed seven people and injured nearly 100. The explosion site was also close to Jim's QTH and it blew out windows in his residence adjacent to the US Embassy. It was obvious from spending time with Jim that ham radio was an important morale-boosting pastime and he usually spent a couple of hours per day QRV, logging thousands of QSOs." As of March 26, 2011, McLaughlin had logged 4359 QSOs, most of them on RTTY and PSK.

McLaughlin was also an active MARS <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Military_Auxiliary_Radio_System> operator. "He was one of our most dedicated MARS members in Army MARS Region 11," Dan Wolff, KA7AGN/DL4VCW/AEM1WF/AEA1RD, told the ARRL. Wolff is the MARS Region 11 Director. "He relayed and delivered

literally hundreds of MARSgrams every year for our region. I've known him for many years and he was always devoted to supporting our deployed service members. He will be deeply missed on MARS circuits and the ham bands as well." -- Thanks to Russ Bentson, K6KLY, CNN <http://www.cnn.com/2011/WORLD/asiapcf/04/27/afghanistan.violence/index.html?hpt=T2>
and Fox News
<http://www.foxnews.com/world/2011/04/27/afghan-official-afghan-officer-fires-nato/>
for the information

==> + FCC NEWS: ANCHORAGE VEC ASKS FCC TO GRANT LIFETIME CREDIT FOR EXPIRED LICENSES

In a Petition for Rulemaking filed with the FCC on April 15, the Anchorage VEC -- one of 14 Volunteer Examiner Coordinators in the US -- asked the Commission to give permanent credit to radio amateurs for examination elements they have successfully passed. This would, in effect, create a license exam credit that would be valid throughout an amateur's lifetime, never expiring. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/anchorage-vec-asks-fcc-to-grant-lifetime-credit-for-expired-licenses>.

==> + ON THE AIR: FIND AN ARRL FIELD DAY STATION NEAR YOU

First introduced in 2008, the ARRL's Field Day Station Locator Service <http://www.arrl.org/field-day-locator> has proved a popular addition to the Field Day toolbox. This service -- an interactive map that helps amateurs or those interested in Amateur Radio find a Field Day <http://www.arrl.org/field-day> site near them -- is free to clubs or individuals who will be operating public Field Day stations. Stations can also be listed by state or province. So far, hams in all 50 states and Puerto Rico have listed Field Day sites on the Field Day Locator. If your group would like to be a part of the Station Locator Service, it's easy to get started -- just go to the Field Day Station Locator website <http://www.arrl.org/field-day-locator> and follow the instructions. ARRL Field Day is the most popular on-the-air operating event in Amateur Radio. On June 25-26, join tens of thousands of Amateur Radio operators as they gather for a public demonstration of the Amateur Radio Service.

==> WX4NHC ASSISTANT COORDINATOR HONORED AT NATIONAL HURRICANE CONFERENCE

W4NXC Assistant Coordinator Julio Ripoll, WD4R, was awarded the Distinguished Service Award at the National Hurricane Conference -- held April 18-22 in Atlanta, Georgia -- for "exceptional service in providing emergency communication during hurricane events over three decades while leading [the] WX4NHC Amateur Radio station at the National Hurricane Center."

Ripoll not only serves WX4NHC as its Assistant Coordinator and an operator, he co-founded the station with then-NHC Director Dr Neil Frank in 1980. WX4NHC collects ground weather reports for areas that are -- or are about to be -- affected by approaching hurricanes, gathering thousands of these reports that are passed on to the forecasters. The station also broadcasts the advisories to ships at sea and to those coastal areas that do not have any other means of receiving them, saving many lives over the years. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/wx4nhc-assistant-coordinator-honored-at-national-hurricane-conference>.

==> + ON THE AIR: SPACE WEATHER PREDICTION CENTER TO DISCONTINUE BROADCASTS ON WWV AND WWVH

Beginning Tuesday, September 6, the Space Weather Prediction Center (SWPC <http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/index.html>) will cease broadcasting its geophysical alert message <http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/Data/index.html#reports> on WWV <http://www.nist.gov/pml/div688/grp40/wwv.cfm> and WWVH <http://tf.nist.gov/stations/wwvh.htm>. These messages inform listeners of the solar flux, the mid-latitude A and K indices and space weather storms, both current and predicted. Currently, the message is heard on minute 18 from WWV and minute 45 from WWVH. The information <http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/latest/wwv.txt> will still be available on the SWPC website. If you care to comment on this, or if you have any questions, the SPWC -- part of the National Weather Service (NWS <http://www.nws.noaa.gov/>) -- would like to hear from you <swpc.wwv@noaa.gov>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "The Sun is swimmin' on the rim of a hill <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ss1CXo8QMi8>" Cook, K7RA, reports: Geomagnetic conditions are quiet this week, but they may become slightly unsettled over this weekend. The average daily sunspot numbers were down more than 18 points to 74.9, while average daily solar flux was off less than four points to 113.4. The predicted solar flux values for April 28-30 are 105, May 1-2 is 100, May 3-4 at 105 and 110 on May 5. The next peak in solar flux is May 11-13, with a value of 120. This is actually higher than the flux values over the last month, except for one day -- April 15 -- at 129. Over the last eight days, we have seen seven new sunspots emerge, but the daily sunspot numbers have fallen since April 22. Geophysical Institute Prague predicts quiet conditions on April 29, unsettled to active on April 30, unsettled May 1-2, quiet to unsettled May 3 and quiet May 4-5. Look for more information -- including a report from the Caribbean on 20 meter propagation and information on a new online propagation tool -- on the ARRL website on Friday, April 29. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by the song Surrey with the Fringe on Top <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ss1CXo8QMi8> from the musical Oklahoma!

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Oklahoma%21>

==> VOTING NOW OPEN FOR MAY QST COVER PLAQUE AWARD

Now that you've thumbed through and read the May 2011 issue of QST cover-to-cover, we're sure that an article sticks in your mind. So go ahead and cast your vote <http://www.arrl.org/cover-plaque-poll> for your favorite article in the issue. The article with the most votes will receive the QST Cover Plaque Award.

- Supporting Portable Antennas Without Guy Wires by Dave Fisher, KG0D/7
- A Transmitter for Fox Hunting by Mark Spencer, WA8SME
- An Emergency Backup Solar Power System by Jim Talens, N3JT
- A Junk Box Power Line Frequency Monitor by Arthur Glazar, W2NN
- 3B8EME -- Moonbounce from the Indian Ocean by Eltje Veen, PA3CEE, Johan Meezen, PE9DX, and Rene Hasper, PE1L
- Youth DX Adventure #1 by Don DuBon, N6JRL, and Dave Kalter, KB8OCP

The QST Cover Plaque award -- given to the author or authors of the best article in each issue -- is determined by a vote of ARRL members on the QST Cover Plaque Poll Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cover-plaque-poll>. Headquarters staff members who write articles are not eligible to receive votes.

==> THIS WEEK ON THE RADIO

This week:

- April 29 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- April 30 -- BARTG Sprint 75
- April 30 - May 1 -- Nebraska QSO Party; Florida QSO Party; SBMS 2 GHz and Up WW Club Contest (local time); QRP to the Field
- May 1 -- AGCW QRP/QRP Party
- May 3 -- ARS Spartan Sprint
- May 4-5 -- MIE 33 Contest

Next week:

- May 6 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- May 7-8 -- New England QSO Party; 7th Call Area QSO Party; Indiana QSO Party; 10-10 International Spring Contest (CW); ARI International DX Contest
- May 8 -- Araucaria VHF Contest; Microwave Spring Sprint (local time)
- May 8 -- SKCC Weekend Sprint
- May 11-12 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more info. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page

<http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- May 7 -- ARRL South Carolina State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/south-carolina-state-convention-upstate-hamfest
>,
Spartanburg, South Carolina
- June 3-5 -- ARRL Northwestern Division Convention (SeaPac)
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/northwestern-division-convention-seapac-1>,
Seaside, Oregon; ARRL Wyoming State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/wyoming-state-convention>, Cheyenne,
Wyoming
- June 4 -- ARRL Atlantic Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/atlantic-division-convention-rochester-hamfest-
1>,
Rochester, New York; ARRL East Bay Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/east-bay-section-convention>, Berkeley,
California; ARRL Georgia State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/georgia-state-convention-atlanta-hamfest>,
Marietta, Georgia
- June 10-11 -- ARRL National Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arrl-national-convention-ham-com-2011>,
Plano, Texas
- June 11 -- ARRL Tennessee State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/tennessee-state-convention-1>, Knoxville,
Tennessee

To find a convention or hamfest near you, click here
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432. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1759 - April 29 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-29 09:00:21 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20110429090005.046B233C54@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4472
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1759 - April 29 2011

Now, Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1759 with a release date of Friday, April 29, 2011 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. The FCC will host a live emergency communications planning session and you can be there on the World Wide Web. Also, two senators ask Congress to protect the Global Positioning System from a proposed new terrestrial broadband system, information surfaces on what may have caused the failure of ARISSat One to operate from the I-S-S and we tell you how to send your name and callsign to Mars. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1759 coming your way right now.

(Billboard Cart Here)

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RESCUE RADIO: HAM RADIO RESPONDS TO TORNADO OUTBREAK

Massive tornadoes cut a streak of destruction across the Southern tier of the United States on Wednesday, April 27th. The twisters killed at least 250 people in six states and destroyed countless homes and businesses in their wake. Alabama's state emergency management agency said it had confirmed 162 deaths, while there were 33 in Mississippi, 33 in Tennessee, 14 in Georgia, eight in Virginia and one in Kentucky. In many areas all normal means of communications was lost.

Two of Alabama's major cities were among the places devastated by the deadliest twister outbreak in nearly 40 years. Police and other first responder radio systems fell silent when winds in excess of 120 miles per hour ripped antennas off buildings and felled towers. But the storms did not silence ham radio.

As we go to air, a group of hams is reportedly assisting in restoring emergency communications in the city of Tuscaloosa where the entire emergency communications system was wiped out by a tornado. It was only through reports filed by radio amateurs that first responders began to learn the magnitude of the devastation to that city.

Meantime in Pell City about 30 miles east of Birmingham, the Emergency Operations Center lost all of its antennas to high winds. Amateur Radio operators from ARES were dispatched to that E-O-C where at last report they were still providing communications support to the storm ravaged area. Similar scenarios were being played out in Arkansas, Kentucky, Mississippi, Missouri and North Carolina as severe weather

hit those areas as well.

A spokesman for the National Weather Service's Storm Prediction Center in Norman, Oklahoma said it received 137 tornado reports into Wednesday night. An expert at the center said it appears some of the tornadoes were as wide as a mile and likely packed a wallop that only 1 in 100 storms ever reach. It will be days, however, before scientists make an official determination. We will have more on the role played by ham radio in next weeks Amateur Radio Newsline report.

I'm Don Carlson, KQ6FM. Jim. (Various news sources)

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RESCUE RADIO: FCC TO WEBCAST LIVE EMCOMM PREPAREDNESS SEMINAR

An important Emergency Communications planning meeting is being held by the FCC and you can sit in vicariously. Amateur Radio Newsline's Burt Hicks is here with all of the details:

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The Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau of the Federal Communications Commission will host an Earthquake Communications Preparedness Forum on Tuesday, May 3rd from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time.

In its announcement the FCC noted that catastrophic natural disasters such as hurricanes and earthquakes are large-scale emergencies that may affect substantial portions of the public. They can also have a significant impact on critical national infrastructure, including communications networks and services.

The FCC goes on to say that this forum will consider the preparations that should be made in advance of an earthquake and how to develop and implement national communications policies and emergency procedures to respond to an earthquake's potential impact on communications networks and services. The forum will also highlight those practices that best prepare the public and the communications sector for a catastrophic earthquake.

The venue for this gathering is the Commission Meeting Room at FCC Headquarters in Washington, D.C.. This workshop will be open to the public; however, seating and registration will be limited.

But if you cannot be there in person - and its very unlikely most hams involved in emergency preparedness can -- audio and video coverage of the meeting will be broadcast live with open captioning over the Internet from the FCC's web page at www.fcc.gov/live. The FCC's web cast is free to the public, and unlike being there in person, it does not require you to pre-registrar.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Burt Hicks, in Los Angeles.

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Again the URL is www.fcc.gov/live. If you miss it live, the forum will eventually be available for replay at beta.fcc.gov/videos. More is on-line at tinyurl.com/3av7m9o (FCC)

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RADIO POLITICS: SENATORS ASK CONGRESS TO PROTECT GPS FROM INTERFERENCE BY LIGHTSQUARED PROPOSED HIGH SPEED NETWORK

Senators Pat Roberts of Kansas and Ben Nelson from Nebraska have sent an open letter to colleagues asking them to join together in asking the FCC to take all necessary steps to protect the Global Positioning System. This from any harmful effects of the FCC International Bureau's grant of a conditional waiver allowing LightSquared Corporation to build tens of thousands of high power broadband ground stations which some claim could cause widespread interference to the Global Positioning System.

LightSquared is building a state-of-the-art open wireless broadband network in spectrum directly adjacent to that in which the Global Positioning System operates. Experts seem divided on the impact such a system will have on GPS operations. Some claim that terrestrial interference could render GPS useless while others claim it will be minimal or not exist at all.

In their letter, Roberts and Nelson noted that the full Commission must be involved in this effort to fully protect the Global Positioning System. As such that it must require that LightSquared objectively demonstrate non-interference to GPS signals as a condition prior to operation of the company's proposed wireless broadband service.

The letter from the two Senators also stated that anything less than this is an unacceptable risk to public safety. It described how vital GPS is for public safety, national defense and the nation's economic recovery. The document ends with a request for members of Congress to join Senators Roberts and Nelson in requesting that the FCC make certain that GPS is not compromised in any way. (TV Technology)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: WHY THE ARISSAT ONE APRIL 12th DEMO FAILED

The planned operation of ARISSat One from the International Space Station to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the first manned spaceflight likely failed due to an uncharged battery. At least that's the impression one gets reading the latest report about the incident published by the AMSAT News Service. Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP, is here with the details:

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Lou McFadin, W5DID, is the ARISS US Hardware Manager. He says that a teleconference was recently held with the ARISSat team in Russia at

which time the situation concerning the failed early April operation was described by them in this way.

It seems that the The Russian space suit battery that was intended to be used on ARISSat was used during testing both on the ground and onboard ISS when it first arrived. When it was tested prior to the planned April 12th operation, it was discovered that the battery was low on charge.

These space suit batteries are specified for only five cycles of charge. It was decided to not recharge the battery at this time in order to keep the number of cycles as low as possible in order to save the battery for the actual ARISSat One deployment mission that is currently scheduled for July 26th.

McFadin added that they are still trying to get more information on the storage status and the battery health from the Russian team. He says that he and his people will keep everyone informed as they prepare for the eventual deployment of ARISSat One.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, Im Norm Seeley, KI7UP, in Scottsdale, Arizona.

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The abortive attempt to operate ARISSat One from on board the ISS would have commemorated the 50 years since Russian Cosmonaut Yuri Gagarin became the first terrestrial being to venture into space. (ANS, W5DID)

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RESTRUCTURING: RUSSIA JOINS CEPT LICENSING

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the W9QVE repeater of the Argonne Amateur Radio Club serving Elmhurst, Illinois.

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BREAKING NEWS: HAM RADIO OPERATOR ONE OF NINE AMERICANS MURDERED IN KABUL

Some sad news to report. Word that James McLaughlin, WA2EWE who also held the call T6AF, was one of the nine Americans that lost their lives in a shooting at Kabul airport on Wednesday, April 27th. According to Voice of America reporter and fellow amateur Steve Herman, W7VOA/T6AD, all were killed when an Afghan military pilot opened fire in an operations room of the Afghan Air Corps.

Reporting from Seoul, Korea, where he is chief of the Voice of America bureau, Herman said McLaughlin, who was also his friend as well as being a career U.S. military officer working as a contractor training Afghan pilots.

According to Steve Herman, he first met Jim McLaughlinin August, 2009, when they were the only two radio amateurs operating from Kabul. Herman said that McLaughlin had put together a fine radio shack in his quarters. He said that it was obvious from spending time with McLaughlin that ham radio was an important morale booster and pastime. As such, T6AF usually spent a couple of hours a day on the air.

So far this April, fourteen Americans have been killed by members of the Afghan military. An Afghan officer on the compound identified the shooter of McLaughlin and the others as one Ahmad Gul.

According to Steve Herman, this attack was the worst single episode of an Afghan turning against his coalition partners. (W7VOA, other published reports)

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WORLDBEAT: RSGB DECIDES NOT TO LIVE STREAM ITS AGM THIS YEAR

The Radio Society of Great Britain's Annual General Meeting on Saturday, May 14th will not be streamed live to the Internet this year.

For the past several years the British Amateur Television Club and the RSGB have cooperated in making this event available world-wide. But an RSGB statement published on the British Amateur Television Club's website, the organization says that while the club has once again offered to do it again this year that the RSGB has decided to decline.

While no specific reason was given for the sudden cancellation there's speculation that it has something to do with the recent resignation of the Society's former General Manager Peter Kirby who the RSGB's says left its employ after the discovery of what national society termed as financial irregularities on his part.

The statement goes on to say that RSGB has considered its position and has reluctantly reached the decision that this year it would not be prudent to go ahead with live streaming.

In its own statement, the British Amateur Television Club says that it has accepted the Society's position on this but hopes to be able to offer the Society the facility again in 2012. More is on-line at batc dot tv. (Southgate)

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ENFORCEMENT NEEDED: SCAMMERS TRYING TO RIP OFF HAMS WITH BOGUS E-MAILS

The Radio Society of Great Britain is reporting on a ham radio version on an old Internet scam. This as it advises its members to be on the look-out for bogus e-mails purporting to be from other radio amateurs and asking for financial help.

The scam works this way. An e-mail, purporting to be from a well known amateur and signed with that ham's first name, claims that they have been mugged in some foreign city. It says that the ham has lost his passport and money in the attack. I then requests financial support to get the amateur out of difficulties and back home.

The RSGB says that several different prominent callsigns have been used by the scammers. And unless the perpetrators are caught, its likely only a matter of time before this scam goes world-wide including here in the United States. (GB2RS)

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RADIO LAW: FEMA TO REQUIRE MANDATORY EAS TRAINING

FEMA will require that emergency alert originators take training before accessing its Integrated Public Alert and Warning System to deliver next generation Emergency Alert System warnings using the Common Alerting or CAP Protocol. At least that is how EAS consultant and broadcast engineer Gary Timm characterized remarks by Damon Penn, assistant administrator for National Continuity Programs at FEMA, at the recent National Association of Broadcasters Convention held in Las Vegas. In blog updates at www.awareforum.org, Timm writes as part of a series on EAS that the FEMA Emergency Management Institute will conduct the mandatory training in the same manner as other National Incident Management System courses that first responders must complete. (RW)

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RESTRUCTURING: BROADCASTERS VS THE WHITE HOUSE CLASH OVER SPECTRUM

The broadcast community is saying no to a White House demand that they give up some of their spectrum to create more broadband frequencies for mobile phones and the like. Jeff Clark, K8JAC, is here with the details:

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It could soon be an open war of words between the Obama administration and the over-the-air broadcast community over who is going to keep the current broadcast spectrum and what purpose it will be used for. This

as the deadline dot com website reports that National Association Of Broadcasters chief Gordon Smith told station owners at the organization's annual convention in Las Vegas that the trade group is in full battle mode. This, to protect the broadcast spectrum it now has from being reallocated to broadband wireless.

FCC Chairman Julius Genachowski has already promised that no broadcaster will be forced to offer up spectrum for auction. Genachowski says that those who do will know exactly what the deal is before relinquishing any rights. But even that position is at odds to some degree with that of the White House which wants TV stations to give up some of their spectrum so it can be redeployed to offer Internet services. That's something that broadcasters are adamantly refusing to do even if the government offers some form of monetary compensation.

Regardless of what Chairman Genachowski might say, the National Association of Broadcasters biggest concern is that the government might simply seize spectrum without a broadcaster's consent if they do not voluntarily surrender it. This is a possible scenario if broadcasters do not comply willingly which at this point in time appears unlikely to happen.

I'm Jeff Clark, K8JAC.

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And at the same convention, CBS chief Leslie Moonves echoed the NAB's position when he said that as long as the government's plan remains voluntary, we're fine with that. This is because we're not going to volunteer. You can read more about this situation on-line at tinyurl.com/3fyt5p4 (RW)

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PUBLIC SERVICE: SOUTHERN OHIO HAMS NEEDED FOR IRONTON PARADE

The Southern Ohio Amateur Radio Association Amateur Radio Emergency Service is looking for additional operators to assist in communications for the Ironton Ohio Memorial Day Parade on May 30th. Amateurs will be used to call for help in case of an accident, to call for law enforcement or fire departments if needed, to help people find their parade division, to help parents find a lost child and a host of other situations. Any ham with a two-meter handheld transceiver who is interested in helping should contact Ken Massie by e-mail to hamwn8f (at) yahoo (dot) com. Between 25 and 30 operators are needed. So far 18 have signed up. (Ironton Tribune)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: LIVERMORE CA LARK SWAPMEET FOLDS

The Livermore Amateur Radio Klub in northern California closed the doors on its famed LARK Swapfest. The sponsors blame declining

attendance by both sellers and buyers, rising costs and the difficulty in recovering from the loss of the swap being held at Los Positas college among the reasons that led to this decision.

Its announcement notes that it takes an enormous amount of work and resource to make these swaps successful. It says that as a club it has witnessed a steady decline in both revenue and manpower to make the swap a worthwhile venture.

But all might not be lost. The announcement also notes that the club is looking at the possibility of a bi-annual event that may look more like a hamfest including a swap meet. For that reason it is keeping its Yahoo swap list alive. (W6OMF)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: AMATEUR RADIO AND SPACE DAY

Dave Taylor, W8AAS, says that, The Smithsonian National Air and Space Museum has invited AMSAT to organize displays and activities at Space Day to be held this Saturday, May 7th from 10:30 to 3:00 at the Air & Space Museum on the National Mall. ARISS is already slated to have various flight-type hardware on hand and also expects a radio contact with International Space Station. However Dave would like to hear from anyone who has other space-related amateur radio artifacts, posters, activities or anything else they'd like to display. Also needed volunteers who can staff the tables, help with setup and tear down, and various other tasks. To sign up contact Dave Taylor via e-mail to w8aas (at) amsat (dot) org (W8AAS, AMSAT)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: A HAPPY 220 TO SAMUEL F. B. MORSE

And a very happy 220th birthday to Samuel F. B. Morse, who introduced telegraph communications in the United States.

Morse was born on April 27th 1791 in Charlestown, Massachusetts. On 24th of May 1844, he famously sent the message "What hath God wrought" by telegraph from Washington D.C to Baltimore, Maryland and there-by ushering in the electronic information age that has continued to grow and become the world-wide broadband systems of today.

But the telegraph Morse code used in Morse's days differed in a number of respects from the International Morse code used in later times. A description of the differences can be found at tinyurl.com/4e9mxk (Southgate)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the

world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: MAKING LEDS THE ALL PURPOSE ROOM LIGHT

New technology may make Light Emitting Diodes practical boor everyday home and even hamshack Jim Damron, N8TMW, reports:

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Researchers at the University of California, Santa Barbara, say they've figured out the cause of a problem that's made light-emitting diodes impractical for general lighting purposes.

Chris Van de Walle is a professor in the Materials Department at the University of California at Santa Barbara. He heads the research group that carried out the work. They investigated a phenomenon referred to as the drop in efficiency that occurs in these LEDs when they're operating at the high powers required to illuminate a room. The cause of this decline has been the subject of considerable debate, but the U-C Santa Barbara researchers say they've figured out the mechanism responsible for the effect by performing quantum-mechanical calculations.

Van de Walle says that identifying the root cause of the problem was an indispensable first step toward devising solutions.

Im Jim Damnron, N8TMW.

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More is on-line at tinyurl.com/3ey7fuc (Science OnLine)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: AO-51 INTO ECLIPSE PERIOD - OPERATION LIMITED

Amsat Oscar 51 has recently experienced a few shutdowns due to a low battery voltage trip. This is because of increasing eclipses now at 20 minuets per orbit and increasing, poor sun angles and a weak battery.

The transmitter power is down to about 550 milliwatts and AO-51 is now using the 67 Hz P-L tone required mode in order to turn the transmitters off when not in use.

The AO-51Command Team will continue adjusting various parameters, including transmitter power, trigger voltages, and the like in order to keep the battery temperatures reasonable. Keep in mind that the power management feature keeps the transmitters off during eclipses, so you can't bring it up even with a PL tone during those periods. (ANS)

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ON THE AIR: THE INTERNATIONAL POLICE ASSOCIATION HG15IPA

On the air, keep an ear open for Hungarian special event station HG15IPA to be active through December 31st to celebrate the 15th anniversary jubilee callsign of the International Police Association. The station is expected to be on 160 through 10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK31 and SSTV. For more information please visit www.qrz.com/db/hg3ipa or www.qrz.com/db/ha3jb on the World Wide Web. QSL via HA3JB.

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ON THE AIR: CELEBRATING THE BATTLE OF NASEBY

The United Kingdom's Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society will operate special event station GB0BON on June 19th. This to commemorate the 366th anniversary of the Battle of Naseby which was the decisive battle of the English civil war.

The Battle of Naseby took place on the June 14th 1645 in the small hamlet of Naseby just south of the town of Market Harborough. In June 2010 members of the Welland Valley Amateur Radio society decided to put a special event amateur radio station on air to commemorate the historic event. It was deemed such a success that they are doing it again this year as well. If you contact GB0BON please QSL to G4XEX at the address on qrz.com. (DX Today)

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RADIOSPORTS: THE 7TH HST CHAMPIONSHIP CUP OF NATIONS

The 7th International High Speed Telegraphy championship Cup of Nations will take place in Mogilev, Belarus from July 7th to the 11th. This is a traditional event and at airtime planners report that several top high speed telegraphy teams have already confirmed their participation. For more information on this event please contact Andrei Bindasov by e-mail to andrew_eu7ki (at) hotmail (dot) com. (Southgate)

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DX

In DX, PD9DX, ON8AK and ON5UR will be active as OJ0UR from Market Reef between August 13th and the 20th. Their operation will be on the HF bands using a Stepp-IR Big Vertical and a Stepp-IR 2 element beam. QSL via M0URX, direct, via the bureau, or electronically using Logbook of the World.

Members of the Camb-Hams will be activating the Isle of Arran through May 8th. They will be operating as GS3PYE/P and GS6PYE/P. Operation will be on all bands from 160 through 2 meters, and on 70 cm on various ham radio satellites. WSL as directed by the operator that you contact.

IZ3ESV, I2VGW and IZ2LSC will be active stroke HB0 from Lichtenstein between June 2nd and 5th. The trio is planning a micro-light and holiday-style operation using CW, SSB and RTTY. The main focus will be on the 30, 17 and 12 meters and the upper High Frequency bands depending on the propagation. They will also try 6 meters. QSL via their home callsigns.

ON4LO will be active on 40 through 10 meter SSB as F slash ON4LO stroke P until June 4th. He plans to operate from a few lighthouses during his trip. QSL via his home callsign, direct or via the bureau.

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THAT FINAL ITEM: SEND YOUR NAME AND CALL TO MARS

And finally this week, there may not be any ham radio station on the planet Mars, but there may soon be a lot of ham radio callsigns making their way across the surface of the red planet. Amateur Radio Newsline's Michael Grebert, KJ4ZZV, has the details:

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NASA is collecting names to be put on a microchip that'll be onboard the Mars Science Laboratory rover heading to Mars in the fall of 2011. Some Radio Amateurs have been adding their call sign to last name field. As well as having your call sign traveling around the Martian surface you also get a electronic commemorative certificate to print out.

The rover has an unusual connection with radio. As previously reported here on Amateur Radio Newsline, this second generation robber has special indentations on its wheels that will spell out the initials JPL in Morse as it travels around Mars. And for the few of you who might not be aware. JPL stands for Jet Propulsion Laboratory located in Pasadena, California, which is the NASA branch that builds of the rovers.

You can add your name and call on the Mars microchip at tinyurl.com/marsham. From what we are hearing, a whole bunch of hams already have.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Michael Grebert, KJ4ZZV, reporting from Music City, Nashville, Tennessee.

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Again the URL to add your name and call to the microchip headed to Mars is tinyurl.com/marsham. More on the Mars Science Laboratory project can be found at mars.jpl.nasa.gov/msl/. (NASA)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain,

the RSGB, the Southgate News and Australia's W-I-A News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is newsline@arnewsline.org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www (dot) arnewsline (dot) org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California, 91350

And a reminder that the nominating period for the year 2011 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award is now open. Created by Newsline back in 1986, this award is offered to recognize one young United States or Canadian radio amateur age 18 or younger for his or her contributions to society through Amateur Radio.

As in years past, the 2011 recipient will receive an expense paid trip to the Huntsville Hamfest in Huntsville Alabama courtesy of Vertex-Standard Corporation which produces Yaesu brand amateur radio gear. Vertex-Standard will also present this years winner with a special ham radio related gift. CQ Magazine will again treat the recipient to a week at Spacecamp-Huntsville. We at Amateur Radio Newsline will present the winner with a plaque honoring his or her achievements.

All nominations and materials required by the official rules must be received by ARNewsline before June 30, 2011. A downloadable nominating form is at our website at www.arnewsline.org. A nominating form can also be obtained by sending a request along with a self addressed stamped envelope to the Young Ham of the Year Award in care of Amateur Radio Newsline, Inc. 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California 91350.

Again, the cutoff date for this year's Young Ham of the Year Award nominations is June 30th. We ask you to do your part by nominating a young ham who has done something special related to ham radio. The nomination form is at www.arnewsline.org

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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433. ARRL Prez on NPR All Things Considered

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Here's a note from Allen Pitts, W1AGP, the ARRL Media and PR Manager:

Heads up!

ARRL President Kay Craigie will be on Saturday NPR's All Things
Considered.

It's currently scheduled to run at about 5:24 pm ET, right after an
update on the tornado response in Alabama, although that could still
change.

How curious that a story about HR-607's problem would run right after
a piece on the recovery that the hams are intimately involved in –
using the very same frequencies that HR-607 would take away and sell.

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SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 01 MAY 2011

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'ARMI' and follow the links for details. PLEASE NOTE: for audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail. Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 and 3,695 MHz SSB.

SILENT KEY

We regret to announce that the key of Jan, ZS6DDK went silent on 7th April. He had not been in best of health for some time. Our sincere condolences to his wife Dot, other relatives and friends.

(PAUSE)

In the news today:

RADIO TECHNOLOGY IN ACTION SYMPOSIUM FOR CAPE TOWN NEXT SATURDAY

SOUTH AFRICANS MAY NOW OPERATE IN RUSSIA

DO NOT CONFUSE THE SARL WEB WITH THE FORUM

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting news items.

RADIO TECHNOLOGY IN ACTION SYMPOSIUM FOR CAPE TOWN NEXT SATURDAY

The South African Radio League will present the first of its annual series of Radio Technology in Action Symposiums in Cape Town on Saturday 7 May 2011. The event will be held at the Cape Peninsula University of Technology.

The programme features presentations for persons interested in radio and satellite technology as well as those who are just technology curious. The symposium starts at 09:00 with a presentation highlighting Amateur Radio as a valuable resource for young people as a primer for a career in communication and electronics, it affords older people the opportunity for further education to enhance their enjoyment of the Amateur Radio, which is generally accepted as the most rewarding of all

scientific hobbies. For technicians in Industry it is a valuable resource for experiential learning. The presentation will be followed by a panel discussion on how amateur radio can benefit older persons when they retire from full time work.

The first technology presentation will focus on Field Programmable Gate Array (FPGA) devices including a simple explanation, its advantages, where it is used and how radio amateurs and electronic hobbyists can incorporate these devices in their projects.

A student presentation will focus on the development of two student satellites at CPUT including a visit to the laboratory areas where the satellites are being constructed. The project includes the building of two CubeSats, one measuring 10x10x10 cm and a three unit CubeSat.

Rapid Deployment of Amateur Radio, also called RaDAR, will focus on the deployment of amateur radio in field conditions focussing on how amateur radio can be deployed to provide communication when a disaster strikes.

There will also be an update on KletsKous and SAiSAT, two satellite projects recently launched by the South African Satellite Association (SA AMSAT).

Get the full programme on www.sarl.org.za and select RTA. Watch the promotional video clip from the same page of the home page at sarl.org.za.

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DO NOT CONFUSE THE SARL WEB WITH THE FORUM

The SARL web has two sections, an open section which can be viewed by anyone world-wide and carries most of the news items and articles. This part of the web has a very large national and international following. The members' only section is available to members only and carries membership benefit items such as Radio ZS. This section is in the process of being expanded.

The forums are exactly what the word means, a discussion place where people share technical information and comments about the operational

side of amateur radio. It is this section, the forum, which will from 1 July be limited to members only. Nothing else has changed or is changing.

Interesting technical and amateur radio operational articles are invited for publication in Radio ZS or on the SARL web pages. Please send articles and news items for Radio ZS to radiozs@sarl.org.za or, if more suitable for publication on the SARL web, to artoday@sarl.org.za.

COMPETITION NEWS

MARCH 2011 VHF CONTEST RESULTS

Congratulations to the following:

Divisional winners, digital. ZS1LS ZS2ACP ZS3SVD ZS5Y ZS6A

Divisional winners, analog. ZS3SVD ZS5Y ZS6A

Overall results, digital.

1) ZS5Y 143 223 points 2) ZS2ACP 138 856 points 3) ZS6A 113 758 points 4) ZS1LS 101 352 points 5) ZS3SVD 82 328 points

Overall results, analog.

1) ZS5Y 6 471 points 2) ZS6A 1 979 points 3) ZS3SVD 470 points 4) ZS6HS 248 points

Longest distance worked. 2 m ZS1LS 1 301 km 4 m ZS1ACP 1 183 km 6 m ZS1LS 1 537 km

EME during the contest. (Ps. EME is not counted towards the main contest). ZS1LS worked on 2 m raw score 788 923 points with longest distance QSO 13 976 km ZS5Y worked on 23 cm raw score 2 910 222 points with longest distance 10 428 km

The winner of the "Lucky Draw" prize is Pierre, ZS6A.

SARL QRP CONTEST HELD ON THE 16TH APRIL 2011

5 logs were received. The following statistics were derived from the logs: Number of stations who participated - 56 Number of QSOs made - 85 Number of prefixes worked - 12 Number of phone QSOs made - 74 Number of CW QSOs made - 11 Number of home stations - 3 Number of field stations - 2

A special word of thanks to Eddie, ZS6BNE, who interrupted his journey back home from the AGM, to setup a field station next to the road and managed to make a few contacts.

The results are as follows: 1st ZS6XT - Pieter Jacobs 924 points 2nd ZS6A - Pierre van Deventer 300 points 3rd ZS2EC - Theunis Potgieter 210 points 4th ZS3AOR - Pieter Bosman 160 points 5th ZS6BNE - Eddie Leighton 36 points

The winner of the Lucky Draw prize is ZS3AOR - Pieter Bosman.

HF PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is at moderate levels. New sunspots 1 202 and 1 203 were numbered on Thursday and it looks like 1 202 has already faded away. NASA's Solar Dynamics Observatory is monitoring a hole in the sun's atmosphere -a "coronal hole." Coronal holes are places where the sun's magnetic field opens up and allows the solar wind to escape. A stream of solar wind flowing from this coronal hole is expected to reach Earth on April 30th-May 1st. NOAA forecasters estimate a 35% chance of geomagnetic activity at that time. For the people doing their own frequency predictions the expected effective sunspot number for the week is about 50.

With the increase in the solar flux the improvement of the DX conditions are also very noticeable. DX openings are now once again occurring on a daily basis and even 6 m is showing signs of life.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

1 May - ZS3 Sprint a phone and CW contest on the 40 metre band runs from 14:00 to 15:00 UTC. 7 May - RTD in Cape Town. 18 to 22 May - Follow Dayton Hamvention via W5KUB.com. 25 May - Closing date for nominations for NSN awards, visit www.amateurradio.org.za. 18 June - Programming in Windows course in Gauteng. Book at www.sarl.org.za.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 750 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'ARMI' and follow the links. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 18:30 CAT on 3 230 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by George, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening, 73.
/EX

435. Re: ARRL Prez on NPR All Things Considered

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-04-30 21:54:45 UTC
From: Howard Lester <howardxtlester@verizon.net>
Message-ID: <ipi0eu$ho9$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 4475
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Here is the NPR link to at least the text of the story regarding HR-607:

http://www.npr.org/2011/04/30/135873302/ham-radio-volunteers-worry-about-spectrum-plan

436. Crossposting Permitted to rec.radio.amateur.moderated

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-01 06:00:03 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting-1-1304229601@panix.com>
Source record: 4476
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting
Revision: 1.1 2009/04/12 19:42:04
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rram/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

After a 30-day public discussion and feedback period to gauge reader
opinions in March of 2009:

http://groups.google.com/group/rec.radio.amateur.moderated/browse_thread/thread/d7d337db35
f23326

the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team has decided to consider
amending its charter, and permit limited simultaneous crossposting to
rec.radio.amateur.moderated and one other unmoderated
amateur-radio-related discussion newsgroup. We are currently trying
this on a temporary basis (90 days, through early July 2009), and adopt
it permanently if successful.

Approved rec.radio.amateur.* newsgroups are those that are currently
listed in the latest version of the "List of Big Eight Newsgroups" which
is crossposted monthly to news.announce.newgroups, news.groups, and
news.lists.misc.

Approved alt.radio.amateur.* and alt.ham-radio.* newsgroups are those
that have been created consistent with the suggestions in "So You Want
to Create an Alt Newsgroup" at:

http://www.faqs.org/faqs/alt-creation-guide/

Approved regional hierarchy newsgroups are those that contain either
"radio.amateur" or "ham-radio" in their names, including
uk.radio.amateur and aus.radio.amateur.misc.

We will make every reasonable effort to keep our list of approved
newsgroups up-to-date. In case we have overlooked any, and a submission
is rejected in error as a result, the rejected submitter can E-mail us
at our administrative contact address (in the signature at the bottom of
this article, and the default Reply-To for the rejection message)
requesting that it be added, and that the article be approved. We may
still choose to reject articles crossposted to any alt.* newsgroup with
an inappropriate name, including obscene language, embedded
name-calling, or encouragement of unlawful conduct.
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Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-amateur-moderated-request@panix.com.

437. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2011-009E - Setting the record straight regarding the RAC Ontario Section bulletin for April 23, 2011.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-01 12:27:10 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4DBD513B.7010400@rac.ca>
Source record: 4477
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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I would like to state to all that the above statement is false, and creates the perception that the Radio Amateurs of Canada Field Service has been involved in the process. Again, this is not the case.

The Radio Amateurs of Canada Field Service is happy to support and respect all Canadian Emcomm efforts no matter what the affiliation. We encourage support of the Field Service ARES program, but fully support and respect the work of Emcomm groups like ECOA, PERCS and others.

The main focus of the RAC Field Organization since November 2010 has been two key projects. The "ARES Review Project" and following the March 24, 2011 Board meeting, the "Implementation of a full new Field Organization". Both of these projects are in full swing, with more than 30 volunteers meeting by teleconference regularly to ensure that the Radio Amateurs of Canada continues to be the "go to" national voice of Canadian Amateurs.

This work has taken many volunteer hours, and although I won't name them, I would like to say "thank you" to our National Secretariat, National Advisors, Special Advisors, Working Group Chairmen, Working Group members and everyone who continues to help see these projects succeed. Thanks guys - you know who you are.
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438. [RAC-Bulletin] RESEND - RAC Bulletin 2011-009E - Setting the record straight regarding the RAC Ontario Section bulletin for April 23, 2011.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-01 12:43:11 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4DBD54B6.8050301@rac.ca>
Source record: 4478
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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2011-05-01

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439. Pete King, in true Republican fashion, seeks to destroy the very radio frequencies that amateur radio operators have used to save lives after natural disasters.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-01 16:43:13 UTC
From: Kickin' Ass and Takin' Names <PopUlist349@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <q33rr6da7v0kvoqpk1ae75tehtk3khh0h6@4ax.com>
Source record: 4479

http://www.npr.org/2011/04/30/135873302/ham-radio-volunteers-worry-about-spectrum-plan

Across Alabama, emergency communications systems fell silent this week when tornadoes knocked down antennas and cell phone towers. Amateur radio operators are helping to restore emergency communication in some of the areas hardest hit by the storms. But those volunteers say their ability to provide that help is threatened by a new bill in Congress.

When Hurricane Katrina came ashore in 2005, it destroyed cell phone towers and electrical infrastructure. That left law enforcement and relief agencies without a viable way to communicate ï¿½ until amateur radio operators stepped in.

Hundreds of amateur radio operators ï¿½ or hams, as they call themselves ï¿½ poured into Louisiana and Mississippi from all over the country, bringing their own portable antennas and amplifiers to temporarily replace what the storm had wiped out.

"They set up communications for the agencies, both governmental and relief agencies that were trying to help people there," says Kay Craigie is the president of the American Radio Relay League, an advocacy group that represents hams . "And they stayed there for weeks under very, very difficult conditions."

Craigie says Hurricane Katrina is just one example of how volunteer ham operators have responded to emergencies all over the country. But she says their ability to provide that help is being inadvertently threatened ï¿½ in the name of improved emergency communication.

Peter King is a Republican congressman from New York, and the chairman of the House Homeland Security Committee. At a hearing in March, King lamented that police, firefighters and other first responders have trouble talking to each other during emergencies.

"As we approach the 10th anniversary of September 11th, public safety must be allocated sufficient spectrum so that a national, interoperable public safety wireless broadband network can finally be built," he said.

King is sponsoring a bill called the Broadband for First Responders Act of 2011. The measure would take some of the broadcast spectrum that was freed up by the transition to digital television and set it aside to build a new emergency communications system. That idea has wide support in both parties, and both houses of Congress. To pay for

it, King's bill proposes auctioning off another band of broadcast frequencies that are sometimes used by first responders. The problem is, those same frequencies are used by ham radio operators, too.

Joseph Taylor lives in Princeton, N.J. His house isn't hard to find: It's the only one on the block with a giant radio tower in the backyard.

"Ham radio operators have a long history of being very useful in emergency situations," Taylor says. "The training of amateurs has been a national resource for many decades now."

Taylor says his early radio training led him to a career in physics, and eventually, a Nobel Prize. There are other frequencies besides those targeted by the House bill that hams can use. But amateur radio advocates worry that this bill could be just the first step.

"They start taking these frequencies away now, and then down they take a few more. And pretty quick, it becomes a major problem instead of just a minor issue," says Vince Kolar, the emergency manager for Cascade County, Montana. He says hams routinely help the county with traffic control, and with its emergency response in case of wildfires and severe weather.

"Those people are all volunteers," he says. "They all volunteer their time and their equipment, mostly. If it makes it harder for them to do what they need to do, then I'm certainly opposed to it."

Across the country in Virginia, state emergency coordinator Michael Cline doesn't dispute the importance of hams. But he thinks the House bill can be changed.

"They really are an integral part of emergency management and public safety," Cline says. "But I think now that a lot of folks are realizing that there is a potential harm to the amateurs that we'll be able to make accommodations for them."

King, the author of the House bill, declined requests for an interview. In a written statement, King says he's working to address the concerns of the amateur radio community, while still moving forward with a new public safety network. And when a future disaster knocks that network offline, hams hope they'll still be in a position to help.

The material posted here may or may not be factual.

The author is following the example set by
Senator Jon Kyl (R, AZ) who was caught citing
false statistics, after which his staff stated
that his comments were "not intended to be factual."

KATN

440. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 1st May 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-01 20:00:19 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20110501200006.1FA1833C6C@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4480
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 1st May 2011

Echo Ireland

Echo Ireland, the IRTS newsletter was mailed to all members during the past week. Due to a computer glitch a some copies have not yet reached their destinations. The error has now been rectified and all the outstanding newsletters should be delivered in the early days of next week. Any member who fails to receive his Echo Ireland by next Wednesday should contact Sean Donelan EI4GK who will mail them a further copy. Sean's email address is donelansean/ at/gmail/ dot/ com.

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2 Metres Counties Contest

The Easter Monday EI/GI counties contest was well supported this year, keeping the FM channels and SSB frequencies busy for the full two hours of the contest.

This is a popular contest with club stations; we heard Shannon Basin Radio Club, Mayo Radio Experimenters Network, Dundalk Amateur Radio Society and North County Radio Club during the contest. Being a VHF contest, hilltop operations were favoured by some: these included David EI7GEB who was on Mohercrom on Co. Cavan, and Joe EI7GY who was on Toin le Gaoith (Tonlagee) in Co. Wicklow: Joe reports that the mountain lived up to its name, with plenty of "gaoth" (wind) around his contest QTH.

Most EI and GI counties were on the air for the contest. There was a small "lift" during the last 20 minutes or so of the contest, which brought in some overseas stations.

Logs should be sent to contestmanager /at/ irts/ dot/ie as soon as possible.

Up-Coming IRTS Contests

1. 2m Counties Contest Monday April 25th 2011. From 2pm till 4pm. Log to be submitted by May 25th.

2. CW Field Day Sat 4th/ Sun 5th June 2011. Log to be submitted by July 5th.

Calling all active VHF and Higher operators we are trying to get the 2010 Squares table finalized on IRTS.ie. So can anyone that was active on the VHF bands last year please send your Square totals or your log and I can work it out for you to EI2GLB /at/ hotmail / dot/.com . To see the squares table go to www.irts.ie and click on vhf/uhf/shf on the right side of the home page.

Theory Examination

The next theory examination for the Harmonised Amateur Radio Examinbation Certificate (HAREC) will be held on Thursday, 7 July next at 2.00 p.m. in the ComReg offices in Dublin. The examination may also be held on that day at other centres if warranted by the number of candidates.

Full details, including entry procedure and examination fee, are available at www.irts.ie/exam

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Introduction to Amateur Radio the practical way

The Mayo Radio Experimenters Network plan on holding a series of practical, hands on, open days throughout the summer months, commencing Sunday May 8th. The events will start at 13.00 approx (weather permitting) and will take place on the following dates: Sunday May 8th Sunday June 12th Sunday July 10th Sunday August 14th Sunday September 11th Anyone with an interest in radio related matters, who would like to have the opportunity to participate or observe the operation of an amateur radio station, or meet club members, will receive a warm welcome. Whatever you're level of interest, the club will be pleased to help in taking your interest further, be it a complete novice, shortwave listener or formal assistance in progressing to a full amateur radio licence.

The locations will be chosen in the Mid Mayo area in order to encourage attendance from all parts of the County or further afield. If you would like further details including full details of locations please contact: Padraic Baynes EI9JA on 0876957154 (email pbaynes1/at/ eircom/ dot/net) , email David Hatfield EI3ECB on ei3ecb/ at/gmail/dot/com or text or phone the club mobile phone number 086 20 89 777

South Dublin Radio Club

The amateur radio classes are back weekly in SDR. In the very near future morse classes will be available.

The Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club

The Mid Ulster Amateur Radio club will be holding a foundation course over one weekend towards the end of May. The course is open to anyone who wishs to take the first step on the Amatuer radio ladder. if interested you must attend the registration night on Wed 4th May from 7.30pm til 8.30pm at the place initiatuve, ardress pk, portadown, bt62 3tp. more details can be found at www.muarc.com or by contacting Martin MI0YMF on 02832852712

The Mid Ulster Amateur Radio club will be holding its monthly meeting today the 8th May 2011 at 3pm, in Brownlow Resource Centre, Brownlow Road, Craigvon, bt65 5dl. Both Members and visitors are welcome.

The annual rally will be held on Sunday 22nd May. If anyone wishes to book a table or for more information, then please contact Brian 2I0TCA (Rally Coordinator) at cqmuarc/ at/ gmail/ dot/ com or via www.muarc.com

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International Castle Weekend

The International Castle weekend will be held on the 21st and 22nd May 2011 with Uk and Ire Castle weekend being from the 28th and 29th may 2011. If interested in activating any historical site, from castles, forts, roc bunkers etc then please complete the activation forms 10 days prior to activation, or contact your regional representative. see www.cashota.co.uk

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Shannon Basin Radio Club

The Shannon Basin Radio Club will be taking part in the Mills on the air weekend on the 14th and 15th May. They will be operating from Elphin Windmill in Co. Roscommon and using the call EI2EWM. Averyone is welcome to turn up over both days and enjoy the tour of the beautiful restored windmill aswell as operating a special event station.

DX News

Kees PE1KL and his daughter Lisa PA2LS will be in Ghana until 6 May operating as 9G5LK. They hope to operate all bands 80 -10m and QSLs go via PA2LS and Logbook of the World.

Marcello IK8DNJ is off to the Dominican Republic and will sign HI7/IK8DNJ until 13 May. He will operate SSB and digital modeson 40 -10m. QSL info is via IZ8LKL.

Several Japanese operators will be QRV from the island of Ogasawara for varying dates up to 13 May. Calls to look out for are JD1BMT, JD1BLY and JD1BMH. As well as being quite a rare DXCC entity Ogasawara also counts for IOTA AS-031.

The well-known DXer Gerard F2JD is on his travels again and will be active as HR5/F2JD until the middle of May. Have a look at his web page

at <f2jd.free.fr> to see a list of the countries he has operated from since 1969. His QSL manager is F6AJA.

Chris ZS6RI will be operating from Zambia as 9J2RI for up to two years. He is on a work assignment there and because of that he will be '6 weeks on / 6 weeks off ' during that time. In the past Chris has been QRV with such exotic calls as ZD9IR Tristan da Cunha, 5H9IR Tanzania and EL8RI Liberia.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

441. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1009

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-01 21:30:51 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <201105012130.p41LUcna035719@smtp110.sbc.mail.ne1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 4481
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1009
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The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
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May 2, 2011
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, K1XN & GoList, NJ1Q, K2PF, AL3T, K3IRV, KK3Q, NG3K & ADXO, N4AA & QRZ DX, N4JF, W4OTN, KH6BZF, K8GG, K8YSE, NE8Z, W8GEX (60m News), W9ILY, 4J5T, 4L2M, 9M6XRO, AT International, CX1EK, DL1SBF, DL7MAE & The DX News Letter, DxCoffee.com, DX-World.Net, F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX, HL1VAU, I1JQJ/ IK1ADH & 425 DX News, LZ1BJ, OZ6OM & 50 MHz DX News, Pete's-DX-Newsdesk, RSGB IOTA Web Site, VA3RJ & ICPO, VHF-DX-Portal(MMMonVHF) and ARRL Web page for the following DX information.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 24th-April, through Sunday, 1st-May there were 233 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5V, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH8, KH9, KL, KP1, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T31, T32, T7, T8, T9, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TN, TR, TT, TU, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VP2V, VP5, VP6, VP8, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZD9, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3W, VIETNAM. Paul, WQ2N, will try to be active as 3W2N from here between May 23rd and June 8th. He is there because of work, so operating the radio is secondary (he may not find any time to operate at all, but he will try

his best). He plans to travel to different regions of Vietnam (South, Central, and North). Activity will only be on 40/30/20/17/15 meters. Paul mentions, "If you are not sure if it's me (on the air), E-mail me to confirm a contact. I will respond ASAP." QSL via WQ2N.

4J/4K, AZERBAIJAN (News). Natig Gasimov, 4J5T, President of the Federation of Radio Sport of Azerbaijan, informs OPDX: "Please, be informed that since the present, in accordance to ITU Band Plan, all 4J/4K amateurs are permitted for usage of expanded frequencies of 40 and 80 m bands in a frame of 3500-3800 kHz and 7000-7200 ?Hz, instead of previous narrower bands."

6W, SENEGAL. Fernando, EA1BT, will be active as 6W/EA1BT from Senegal between May 4-12th. No other details were provided. QSL via EA1BT. Watch the following Web site (still under construction) for updates and more details at: http://www.senegal2011.net

8Q, MALDIVES. Vlad, RA9LR (ex-S79LR), will be active as 8Q7LR from the Maldives (AS-013) during his furlough between June 21st and July 2nd. Activity will be exclusively digital but with some SSB on 40-10 meters. QSL via UA9LP, direct or by the Bureau.

9N, NEPAL. Sam, K0YAK, is now in Kathmandu (Lalitpur) and is expected to be active as 9N7AK until early July. He is using a Kenwood TS-50 with a Cushcraft MA5V - a lightweight, 5-band vertical antenna. A blog page is up and running which will provide notes of major operational updates, summaries of contacts made, general information about amateur ("ham") radio in Nepal, and photos of any hams who stop by (the coffee is always on) at: http://9n7ak.wordpress.com
QSL via K0YAK. PLEASE NOTE: Unless incoming cards are accompanied by an International Reply Coupon (IRC), return QSL cards will be sent via the Bureau during the summer of 2011. LoTW registration is pending.

9N, NEPAL. A multi-national team, all members of Mediterraneo DX Club (MDXC), will be active as 9N0MD from Nepal during November. Operators mentioned are Dov/4Z4DX, Ziv/4Z4OQ, Marco/CE6TBN, Pasquale/IZ8IYX, Gabriele/I2VGW, Sam/F6AML, Antonello/IT9YVO, Mau/IV3ZXQ, Giuliano/IV3RLB, Fabricio/IZ2KXC, Ant/IZ8CCW, Luis/XE1L and Adhi/YB3MM. The pilot station will be Pino/IZ8BGY. Activity will be on all HF bands and modes. The team plans to give away trophies and prizes (see their Web for details). Look for more details and updates at:
http://www.mdxc.org/nepal/topic1/index.html

ALASKAN KLFF AWARD AVAILABLE. The Alaskan Flora Fauna Award (KLFF), a part of the World Flora Fauna (WFF) program, now issues new awards. For complete details on the KLFF Awards, visit: http://www.klff.us.pn

CE2, CHILE. Luis, CX1EK, informs OPDX that he has been operating as CE2/CX1EK from Marbella, V Region (50 kms north of Vi&#65533;a del Mar/Valparaiso,
on the coast) since April 12th and will be there until May 15th. Most of his activities have been on 12 meters. QSL direct (SASE or IRC) to:

Luis Matho, 2303 Nordok Place, Alexandria, VA 22306 USA.

DAYTON HAMVENTION NEWS. Joe Pater, W8GEX, reports (edited): "The SOUTHWEST OHIO DX Association (SWODXA) announces that a limited number of dinner tickets are still available for the DX Dinner®. This annual event, which is held in conjunction with the Dayton Hamvention®, will be on Friday, May 20th, at the Dayton Marriott, 1414 S. Patterson Blvd., Dayton, Ohio.
As in the past, there will be some major door prizes. And there is always great anticipation as to who will be named the 'DXpedition of the Year'.
The cash bar opens at 5:30 p.m., with dinner served at 7:00. There is ample, free parking, on street level. Tickets are 40 USDs each, payable in US funds. For program details and to order tickets, go to our websites at: http://www.swodxa.org --or-- http://www.swodxa.blogspot.com
The SWODXA will also host the DX Forum on Saturday afternoon. There is a great list of presenters:
2:45-3:15 PJ7E - Craig Thompson K9CT & Joe Pater W8GEX
3:15-3:30 NCDXF - Glenn Johnson/W0GJ & Tim Totten/N4GN
3:30-4:00 PJ6A - Bob Allphin/K4UEE
4:00-4:30 VP8ORK - Ralph Fedor/K0IR
4:30-4:55 Mount Athos - Rick Dorsch Jr. NE8Z
4:55 FT-2000 Drawing"

DAYTON HAMVENTION TOPBAND DINNER. George, K8GG, reminds Topbanders that reservations for the Dayton Topband Dinner this year are available for a few more days. Reservations have to be made and paid by May 10th. No exceptions. They are at a new venue - the Crowne Plaza - with better seating and A-V than in prior years. For more details, please visit: http://www.topbanddinner.com

IOTA NEWS.....
AF-068. (Update). Italian operators Leopoldo/I8LWL (5C2L), Alfredo/IK7JWX (5C2J), Ruggero/IK2PZC (5C2P), Simon/IZ7ATN (5C2SG), Mounaim/CN8QY and CN8QX will activate the rare Herne Island, located in the large bay of Dakhla, for one week in September. For updates, please visit the following Web page at: http://www.i8lwl.it

AS-058. Before heading to the Maldives, Vlad, RA9LR (ex-S79LR and 8Q7LR), will be active as 9M2/RA9LR from Langkawi Island, West Malaysia, between mid-May to mid-July. Activity will be on CW, PSK, RTTY and some SSB. QSL via the address on QRZ.com.

AS-060. Operators Han/DS2GOO, Son/DS3HWS, Chae/DS5BSX and possible others will be active as homecall/4 from Pigum Island (KDN H32) between May 7-9th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via operator's home callsign. A Logsearch will be available on: http://ds2goo.karl.or.kr/2011/Pigum_Island

EU-094. Operators Didier/F1LLV, Dyd/F4ELJ, Jef/F6CNM, Pierre/F8DHM, Nicolas/F8FKD, Bob/ON4LRG, Luc/ON4LUC, Nicolas/ON4VK, Janny/ON5PO, Paul/ON6DP, Fred/ON6QR, Pierre/ON7PC and Eric/ON7RN

will be active as TM1G from Glenan Island (St. Nicolas, DIFM
AT-010, FFF-200) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st).
QSL via F6CNM or ON6DP. Look for operators to activate other
DIFM/DFCF after this operation.

JW, SVALBARD. Karl, LA8DW, will be active once again as JW8DW from Svalbard
(EU-026) between September 28th and October 5th. Bands and modes of
activity were not provided. QSL via to his home callsign, by the Bureau
or direct (ONLY with IRC and RETURN ENVELOPE -- NO GREENSTAMP PSE). The
JW8DW online log is available at: http://www.logsearch.de
Log will also be upload to LoTW.

KH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Yoshi, JJ8DEN, is now active as KH0PR from the
Coconut Village Hotel on Rota Island (OC-086) until May 8th. Activity
will be on 160-6 meters using CW, RTTY and PSK. Also possible is some
Satellite operations (FO-29 and VO-52). QSL via JJ8DEN, by the Bureau
or direct (w/SASE and 2 USZDs or 1 IRC with European type envelope. If
small envelope is sent, Yoshi will return QSL card by surface mail [ship
mail]). DO NOT send QSL to Rota.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (May 2-8th)....
May 02 AN-HN SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS
May 03 HN-AN --------------------
May 04 AN-HN BN - Below Normal
May 05 HN-AN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
May 06 AN LN - Low Normal
May 07 AN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
May 08 AN DIS - Disturbed
VDIS - Very Disturbed

GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

LZ2011, BULGARIA. Members of the Bulgarian Federation of Radio Amateurs
will activate special event station LZ2011KM between May 1-31st. Activity
is to celebrate national "St. Kiril and Methodius Day" (creators of the
Cyrillic alphabet). Operations will be on all bands and modes. QSL via
LZ1BJ, direct or by the Bureau.

PG6, THE NETHERLANDS (Special Event). Look for special event station
PG6N to be active during the "Dutch Lifeboat Day" May 7th. PLEASE QSL
via the Bureau. For more details see:
http://www.qrz.com/db/PG6N --or-- http://pg6n.jouwweb.nl/english

PJ2, CURACAO. Operators Rich/KE1B and YL Ann/W6NN are now active as
PJ2/homecall from the PJ2T Signal Point Station on Curacao (SA-099,
WLOTA LH-0942) until May 5th. Look for Ann to handle the SSB activity,
while Rich operates mostly on CW and RTTY. QSL both operators via their

home callsign, direct, by the Bureau, LoTW or eQSL.

PP0T, TRINDADE ISLAND (Update). No word on the expected PP0T operation. Junior, PY2ZA, was expected to arrive on the island on April 29th. Keep watching the Web page for possible updates: http://trindade2011.com

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL EO66JM via K2PF Direct or LoTW
QSL 5Z0H via his QSL Manager IZ8VRH

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 9H1SP, C6AKU, CR6A, CT3MD, D2SG, DK1MAX, DL4FBZ, ED8A, EW7KF, F4HKA, GI0RQK, GM4FDM, HB9CVQ, HI3TEJ, HK1MW, HK1NK, HK1R, HK1T, HK3O, IG9/IW9ELR, IZ5AXA, IZ0HPX, J79M, JO1COV, KH7X, MU0FAL, OE5FIN, ON5GQ, R7BN, RG4F, RN4ABD, RU3ZX, SM2EKM, US0LW, VK4ADC, YN2ER, YN2ET and ZS1EL

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3DA0GF, 4L1MA, 4S7NE, 5B/UT0U, 7Z1TT, A73A, D44BS, DU1IST, E51CG, EP2MKO, ET3SID, FG5FR, HC1MD/HC4, HL3ERJ, J88DR, JA1LZR, JT5DX, JY4NE, LX1DA, MJ/K3PLV, P4/W1HEO, P40D, PZ5RA, RI1FJ, RW6HS, S9DX, SV9/DJ7RJ, UA2FCB, V25OP, V47KP, VK9CF, VK0KEV, XE2WWW, XV2RZ, ZA1G, ZD9T and ZF2LC

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 9M8DX/2

SILENT KEYS.....
4L5T - Mamuka Kordzakhia, 4L2M, President of The NARG (National Associations Radioamateurs of Georgia) would like to inform OPDX readers that on April 23rd, Vakhtang (Vakho) Sakhokia, 4L5T, became a SK at the age of 61. He was killed by a car crashing into the side of his house. He has been a licensed radio amateur with the callsign UF6DG for some 40 years ago.

WA2EWE - The ARRL Web Page reports the following (edited):
"James McLaughlin, WA2EWE/T6AF, was one of several killed in Kabul, Afghanistan, on Wednesday, April 27th. News sources say that eight American troops and a US contractor died Wednesday after an Afghan military pilot opened fire during a meeting in an operations room of the Afghan Air Corps at the Kabul airport -- the deadliest episode to date of an Afghan turning against his coalition partners, officials with the NATO-led International Security Assistance Force (ISF) in Afghanistan said. Licensed since 1972, McLaughlin was a career US military officer. Bob Magnani, K6QXY, told the ARRL that McLaughlin was just in the US a week ago, visiting his family: 'His son Adam, KD6POE, works for me. He told me that his dad had been in Afghanistan and Iraq many times over the past few years, most currently serving as a flight instructor.'
McLaughlin posted on his QRZ.com page that 'almost every day, I operate at around 1230-1430 UTC. Sometimes I am QRV until around 1500 UTC.' As of March 26, 2011, he had logged 4359 QSOs, most of them on RTTY and PSK. -- Thanks to Russ Bentson, K6KLY, CNN and Fox News for the information."

K4RRF - It was reported that Ray Forrester, K4RRF, became a Silent Key (SK) on April 27th, at the age of 74. He was a proud Navy man and a patriot to the core. His Web site showed others that he was proud of his service to our country. Ray was, without a doubt, one of the finest DXers with over 300 countries to his credit. Along with his vast knowledge of amateur radio, Ray was also an expert fisherman, winning many local and national fishing tournaments. He was also heard in the pursuit of the many light-house activations put on by the Amateur Radio Lighthouse Society. With a QSL collection numbering in the thousands one could only marvel at the organizational efforts it took to catalogue the many thousands of QSL cards and certificates he had earned. He was a Life Member of the ARLHS, of 10-10 International, and a familiar voice on "The Early Bird Net" as well as many other nets.

OPDX and its readers would like to send out our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of the above Silent Keys.

SV/A, MT. ATHOS (Visit by NE8Z). The following was sent to OPDX by Rick, NE8Z, who recently visited Mt. Athos: "I have just returned from my 2 week visit to Greece and pilgrimage to Mt. Athos. From the minute that I stepped off the plane in Athens to the minute that I left Greece two weeks later I was treated with true 'ham hospitality' by SV1JG, SV2ASP/A and SV2BOH. Monk Apollo, SV2ASP/A, greeted me with open arms in Mt. Athos. He spent the entire week making sure that I was comfortable. I participated in all of their church prayer services, and I was also able to work for 2 long days with the monks cleaning crystal and silver chandeliers in preparation for Easter services. Monk Apollo gave me the keys to his Land Rover and told me to, 'go...explore...take your time'. I was able to visit many of the 20 monasteries on the peninsula.
I was able to make a donation of various pieces of radio equipment to his monastery which will allow him to operate from two or more portable hilltop locations in Mt. Athos. SEMDXA members provided him with a new MFJ Keyer, LDG antenna tuner and a Heil BM-10 headset. Budd, W3FF, and his son Chris donated a complete Buddipole Antenna system. The ARRL donated 8 log books, band plan charts and a backpack for the portable equipment transportation. Monk Apollo never asked for anything. I simply showed up with the gifts for the monastery. Asian hams will soon be able to work Mt. Athos for a new DXCC Entity. Both portable locations have clear 360 degree views to all directions unlike the Docheiariou Monastery which has a large mountain blocking signals to and from Asia..
Father Apollo is a very busy monk. His radio time is limited because of church services that last up to 8 hours per day, 7 days per week. After services he is busy working on construction projects for the monastery. He is presently active on the radio daily between 1700-2100z on 160m, 30m, 17m and 12m CW-SSB-RTTY. He is building a new ham shack which will be ready in a few months. Once he is in the new QTH he will install his new 40 foot tubular tower and a Stepp-IR 3 element yagi that was donated to him by Dominik, DL5EBE.
The most exciting part of my trip was to be able to see precious relics of Saints and the Miracle producing Icons of The Virgin Mary. Mt. Athos

is by far one of the most beautiful places on Earth. Please view the SLIDESHOW on the SEMDXA website at: http://live.semdxa.org/tiki-list_file_gallery.php?galleryId$ Thank you to everyone that made my pilgrimage to Mt. Athos a complete success..... 73 Rick NE8Z/HC1MD"
ADDED NOTE BY EDITOR. If you would like to see more on Mt. Athos, go to: http://www.cbs.com/primetime/60_minutes
The program 60 minutes with Bob Simon was able to get rare access to the monks and their ancient monasteries on this remote Greek peninsula. There are two video clips available (a total of about 30 minutes) which is very interesting. This story was aired on April 24th.

SV5, DODECANESE. Fred, PA1FJ, will be active as SV5/PA1FJ/P from Karpathos (EU-001) between May 8-14th. Activity will be on 40-6 meters using CW and SSB. He will use his Yaesu FT-817 into a Buddistick antenna and a 2x 5m dipole. QSL via the Dutch QSL Bureau.

T31, CENTRAL KIRIBATI (Update). The T31A went QRT on April 27th, at 1900z. HOWEVER, some of the operators did operate on different bands using THEIR OWN T31 callsigns. T31A made (according to their Web page) 31764 QSOs. The T31A team should be back at Apia, Samoa, by the time you read this. For updates on the T31A team, see the Web page at: http://www.T31A.com

T6, AFGHANISTAN (Reminder). Just a reminder that the Intrepid-DX Group will conduct a DXpedition from Afghanistan for ten days in May. Due to security concerns, the exact dates and location of the DXpedition will not be announced until the eve of their activation. The team is closely monitoring the security situation and events in the news coming from Afghanistan. It was announced this past week on their Web page the following: "This DXpedition is dedicated to the memory of our friend and advisor, Jim McLaughlin, WA2EWE/T6AF, who was killed in Kabul, Afghanistan, on Wednesday, April 27th, 2011. Jim was an honorary member of our team and was planning to join us to operate with us. Jim, we will really miss you!" For update on this operation, it is suggested to watch their Web page at: http://www.intrepid-dx.com/t6pse/index.php

T6, AFGHANISTAN (Update). Terence, K5TLL, continues to be active as T6TL until July. He will be using an old Icom 706 and a dipole antenna (as well as a Cushcraft R-7 vertical according to QRZ.com). Activity is on 40-10 meters using SSB and the Digital modes. Frequencies are listed on QRZ.com and he suggests to listen for him between 0300-0500z. QSL via N4FF. Watch QRZ.com for updates.

UT1FG/MM VOYAGE WRAP-UP. Captain Yuri Bodrov, UT1FG/MM, wrapped up his 6 month voyage that took him across the Atlantic Ocean 3 times and around the Cape of Good Hope in South America and through the Panama Canal on his ship, the Mottler. He operated on the HF bands, 6 meters and also activated a few hundred grids to the delight of many satellite operators in Europe, South and North America. Walt, WP4T, and his ham radio family met up with him in San Juan, Puerto Rico, his final port before flying home. Captain Bodrov gave them the red carpet tour. Pictures from their visit are now available on the K8YSE Web site at: http://www.papays.com/sat

QSL direct or to his manager UX0FY.

V8, BRUNEI. John, 9M6XRO, will once again be active as V85/9M6XRO from Darussalam, Brunei (OC-088), between May 4-9th. Activity will be mainly CW, but also possibly some RTTY or SSB. John states V85 does not have an allocation for 6m. As before, John will be running 400w to a Butternut HF6V up about 100 ft. on the hotel roof. He mentions, "BTW during my visit to Brunei in March, I made close to 2500 Q's with a high percentage on RTTY. I have been asked by some Southern Hemisphere stations to look for them on 80m CW so I will give that my best shot on this trip :-)." QSL via M0URX, direct (w/SAE plus 1 IRC/2 USDs), by the Bureau, or LoTW. Alternatively, QSLs may be requested using M0URX's OQRS form at: http://www.m0urx.com/qsl-request-form
ADDED NOTE BY 9M6XRO: John will be visiting the U.K. and I.O.M between May 19th and June 1st. He states, "I plan to spend the first part until the 28th in the Isle of Man - then the latter part in Ayrshire. I hope to put GD3OOK on the air from home base for a last time!"

VK0, MACQUARIE ISLAND. Denis, ZL4DB, will be active as VK0/ZL4DB from Macquarie Island (AN-005) beginning late April through late July. He will be on the air thanks to assistance from Kevin, VK0KEV. Activity will be limited to his free time and will be only on SSB. PLEASE NOTE: Denis is new to pile-ups, so please go easy on him. Because he only operates on SSB, Kevin might convert him to RTTY! QSL via ZL4PW, by the Bureau or direct (see QRZ.com). No online-log, eQSL or LoTW.

ZD8, ASCENSION ISLAND (Update). German operators Wolf/DK1IP, Rainer/DL7OR, Gerd/DJ4KW, Arno/DL1CW and Werner/DJ9KH will be active as ZD8D from Garden Cottage (located 700m up Green Mountain which is the oldest building on the island dating back to the 1820s), Ascension Island (AF-003), between July 24th and August 9th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters, mainly on the Digital modes with some CW and SSB later. They will be using Elecraft K3s. The team plans to participate in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st). The team is seeking sponsors, especially for an amplifier. Their Web page is now available online at: http://www.zd8d.de/index.php?home

VK9, LORD HOWE ISLAND (Update/Change). Members of the Hellenic Amateur Radio Association of Australia (HARAOA Group) are planning a major DX-pedition to Lord Howe Island (OC-004) as VK9HR for 10 days. Originally, the operation was scheduled to take place between July 8-17th, but now it will take place between July 23rd and August 2nd. This means that the VK9HR team can now participate in the 2011 RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st). Also, the VK9HR QSL Manager is now David, EB7DX. For more details, visit the VK9HR Web Page at: http://www.vk9hr.com

ZF, CAYMAN ISLANDS. Operators Bob/W5UQ and Bill/W5SJ will be active as ZF2UQ and ZF2EZ, respectively, between July 11th and approx. July 18th. Look for them to operate in the CQWW VHF Contest (July 16-17th), mainly on 6 meters. Activity outside of the contest will be on the HF bands using mainly CW and some SSB. QSL via W5JAY (see QRZ.com).

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442. [DXNL] DXNL 1726 (May 4, 2011)

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C6 - BAHAMAS, NA-001 / ZF - CAYMAN ISLANDS, NA-016
Anja,DH2AK, and Torsten,DL1THM, will be active as ZF2AT (Anja) and
ZF2TH (Torsten) from Grand Cayman (NA-016, WLOTA LH 1042) on May 6-13.
Their next stop will be New Providence Island (NA-001) where they will
sign DH2AK/C6A and DL1THM/C6A from May 13-20. Their activities will be
"holiday style" mainly in SSB on 20m with an IC-7000 and a Bud dipole.
QSLs via bureau to their homecalls, for direct QSLs read at QRZ.com.

KH0 - NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS, OC-086
Yoshi,JJ8DEN, appeared on the bands as KH0PR and will stay in the
Coconut Village Hotel on Rota Island (OC-086) until May 8. He works
in CW, RTTY and PSK on 160m-6m and via the satellites FO-29 and VO-52.
QSLs via bureau or direct to JJ8DEN.

SV/A - MOUNT ATHOS
Rick,NE8Z, returned from his pilgramage to Mount Athos safely. Though
he didn't had the chance to become active himself, he gave a lot of his
equipment to Monk Apollo, SV2ASP/A, which should help to improve his
signal in the future. Apollo can be found on the bands more often
during the last time in CW, SSB and RTTY on 160m, 30m, 17m and 12m
mainly from 1700-2100 UTC. He is building a new shack and wants to
put up a 3 ele SteppIR yagi 12m high, a donation of Dominik,DL5EBE.

T6 - AFGHANISTAN
The "Intrepid-DX Group" announced its next DXpedition which will last
ten days and takes place in May. The team includes Paul Ewing,N6PSE,
David Flack,AH6HY, David Collingham,K3LP, Al Hernandez,K3VN,
Hrane Milosevic,YT1AD, Krassy Petkov,K1LZ, David Ritchie,W6DR,
Heathem Sabah,YI1UNH, Jack Ritter,W0UCE, and Alexander Pavlenko,UX0LL.
They will work as T6PSE with up to five stations on 6m-160m at the same
time: two in CW, two in SSB and another one for digital modes and 6m.
For security reasons the exact date and QTH of the DXpedition have to

be kept secret. QSLs via W3HNK, direct or LoTW.
More information can be found at: http://www.intrepid-dx.com/t6pse

V8 - BRUNEI, OC-088
John,V85/9M6XRO, will be QRV again from Brunei (OC-088) from May 4-9.
He works in RTTY, CW and SSB on 80m-10m running 400 watts into a
Butternut HF6V antenna 30m high. QSL via M0URX.
Bureau QSLs can be requested online at: http://www.m0urx.com

8P - BARBADOS, NA-021
Fred,PY2XB, is expected to show up as 8P9XB from St. Philip on Barbados
from May 8-21. Activities are planned in CW, SSB and RTTY on 80m-6m.
He wants to install a beacon on 50.099 MHz.
QSL cards should be sent to his manager PT7WA, via bureau is ok!

9J - ZAMBIA
Chris,ZS6RI, has been spotted as 9J2RI from Zambia. He is working there
for the next one or two years, not constantly but six weeks in a cycle.
Chris works in CW, SSB and digital modes on all bands.
Direct QSLs should be sent to Chris J. de Beer, PO Box 333, Bethlehem,
GA 30620, USA. Chris will upload his log to the LoTW every six weeks
and plans to answer bureau QSLs once a year.

9M2 - WEST MALAYSIA
The business trip of Mirek,VK6DXI, to Kuala Lumpur has been postponed
to May 2-7 and he hopes to become active in CW in the evening hours.
QSL via SP5UAF, via bureau ok.
Aserbaidschan, Sonderrufzeichen: Mit dem Spezi-alrufzeichen 4JV3AM feiern Radioamateure in
Aserbaidschan vom 4. bis 20. May das Ende des Zweiten Weltkrieges vor 66 Jahren.
Gleichzeitig gedenkt man an den Kriegshelden Mamish Abdullayev. QSL via RW6HS (direct
only).
9N - NEPAL
Sam,K0YAK, is in Kathmandu now intends to show up as 9N7AK soon. Sam
will stay in Nepal until the beginning of July and uses a Kenwood TS-50
with a Cushcraft MA5V, a lightweight 5-band-vertical.
QSL cards should be sent via bureau or direct to his homecall K0YAK.
For updates clicken on: http://9n7ak.wordpress.com

AZERBAIJAN, SPECIAL EVENT STATION
The radio amateurs in Azerbaijan celebrate the end of World War 2
66 years ago by activating the special callsign 4JV3AM from May 4-20.
They are also remembering the war hero Mamish Abdullayev.
QSL via RW6HS (direct only).

CANADA, SPECIAL EVENT STATION
The "Club Radio Amateur de Quebec" (CRAQ) is existing for 85 years now.
Good enough to activate the special event station VC2CQ85 throughout
the month of May. QSL via VE2CQ, ok via bureau.

ITALY, SPECIAL EVENT STATION
The ARI section Treviso issues the "Antonio Canova Award" which is
dedicated to the wellknown sculptor who was born in 1757 near Treviso.

The special callsign II3AC will be activated during the month of May.
QSL via IK3GES, direct or via bureau.
More detailed information about the award can be found on:
http://www.aritreviso.it/DiplomaCanova.html

KAZAKHSTAN, SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS
Kazakhstan is celebrating the 50th anniversary of manned space flight
with several special calls. The prefixes UN50, UO50, UP50 and UQ50
are used until May 31 and following stations were announced to be QRV:
UN50SK (homecall UN7GWC), UO50G (UN2G), UP1ASTR (UN0GL), UP50F (UN7FW),
UP50ASTR (UN6GK), UP50YG (UN7Z), UQ50G (UN6QC), UQ50L (UN7LZ) and
UQ50P (UN7PL). They have also a special award and the rules can be here
http://un-dx.ucoz.com/index/yuri_gagarin/0-36

MEXICO, SPECIAL EVENT STATION
6J5M is working from the "Cinco de Mayo" festivities until May 6 to
remember the Battle at Puebla in 1862. QSL via XE1AMF.
A special award is issued as well and the rules are at:
http://diploma.puebladx.org

MONACO, SPECIAL EVENT STATION
The Monaco Telegraphy Group (3A-CW-G) celebrates its 20th anniversary.
The special event station 3A2CWG is active during May. QSL via 3A2LF.

RUSSIA, SPECIAL EVENT STATION
Russian HAMs are celebrating the end of World War 2 by activating
R1945HS from May 1-31. QSL via RW6HS (direct only).

SILENT KEYS: James McLaughlin,WA2EWE (T6AF, ex-YI9EWE), was one of nine
US Americans who were killed in a shooting at Kabul airport on Apr 27.
He was serving in Afghanistan since the end of 2008 and was regularly
active in RTTY and PSK.

Vakhtang (Vakho) Sakhokia, 4L5T (ex-UF6DG), died after a car crashed
into his house. Vakho, aged 61, hold a license for 40 years.

Other DXers who passed away during the last days are:
Gavin Morrison (GM3MOU/G3MOU), Angus "Gus" Duncan Taylor (G8PG),
Ray Forrester (K4RRF), Ivan Kovalenko (RA6AG), Petr Taranov (RK6ACM),
Dariusz Kaminski (SP7TES) and R. Neville Copeland (ZL2AKV)

DXCC: The operations of ZD9AH (Tristan Da Cunha and Gough of 2010) and
ZD9T (2010/2011) are accepted for DXCC credit now.

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de
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The special event station PG6N is active on the "Dutch Lifeboat Day" on
May 7. Find more info about this at: http://pg6n.jouwweb.nl/english

UPCOMING CONTESTS

May 1-7: Activity week of the DTC
May 7/8: CQ-Mir International DX Contest
May 7/8: ARI International DX Contest

IOTA collected by Ric,DL2VFR (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AS-060, HL, Cholla-namdo Province group: DS2GOO/4, DS3HWS/4, DS5BSX/4 and
maybe also other operators are going to hit the airwaves from
Pigum Island in CW, SSB and RTTY on 80m-10m from May 7-9. An online log
will be published later at: http://ds2goo.karl.or.kr/2011/Pigum_Island
QSLs via homecalls (bureau/direct).

EU-001, SV5, Dodecanese: Fred,PA1FJ, will show up as SV5/PA1FJ/p from
Karpathos Island (GIOTA DKS-016/MIA MGD-013/WLOTA 1570) from May 8-14.
Fred works in SSB and CW on 40m-6m with QRP equipment.
QSL via homecall (bureau/direct).

EU-050, I, Puglia (Foggia) Region group: IL7A will be QRV from Tremiti
during May. QSL via IK8EJN.

EU-110, 9A, Istra Group: 9A8AMS, 9A/IK4RQJ, 9A/IZ4BBF and 9A/IK3AES will
activate Sveti Nikola Island (ACIA IC-016, IOCA CI-118, MIA MC-414,
ARLHS CRO-164, CLH-153, WLOTA 3152) in CW, SSB and digital modes on
40m-10m from May 7-15. 9A8AMS will concentrate on 160m, 80m and 6m.
QSLs via homecalls (bureau/direct), 9A8AMS via QRZ.com.

EU-169, ZA, Albania group: The planned activity from Sazan had to be
cancelled because of a missing permission from the military.

NA-046, K, MA State South group: An American team will be QRV as W1ACT from
Martha's Vineyard from May 6-8. QSLs only direct via N1JOY.
See also: http://hamcow.net

NA-067, K, NC State East group: W3CVD/4 is working from the Outer Banks
between May and August. QSL via homecall (bureau/direct).

Bandspots of the last 7 days

40m
OZ/OO4O 7.190 1954Z EU-172, (L)

30m
TC57A 10.119 0510Z via TA1HZ (B)
YN7SU 10.115 0412Z via TI4SU (d)
ZA/LZ1UQ 10.108 1643Z via LZ1UQ (B)
ZL2BIU 10.106 0512Z via ZL2AGY (B)

20m
HS0ZIQ 14.260 1802Z AS-053, (d)
P29VCX 14.260 0705Z OC-240, via SM6CVX (d)
P29VCX 14.040 1403Z OC-240, via SM6CVX (d)

PJ2/KE1B 14.015 2202Z via KE1B (B), (L)

17m
CU3DX/p 18.155 1533Z EU-175, via CU3EJ
E51CG 18.149 0859Z South Cook, (d)
EV25C 18.145 1322Z
SV9/OH1VR 18.069 0745Z EU-015, via OH1VR
T31A 18.074 1444Z OC-043, via W2IJ (B)
T77C 18.077 1521Z (d)
TC7LZH 18.145 1626Z via TA1HZ (B)

15m
EA8CAC/p 21.040 1719Z EAFF-071, (B), (L)
JF3BFS 21.038 1233Z AS-117
OD5NH 21.275 1415Z (d)
PJ2/W6NN 21.283 2147Z via W6NN (B), (L)
R0FA 21.014 1241Z (B)
TO2FH 21.020 1609Z (d) via online request
UK8GK 21.014 0636Z via RW6HS (d)
VU3RYO 21.008 1551Z via DL2JRM (B)
4S7DXG 21.005 1834Z via UR9IDX (d)
5N6/YL2SW 21.025 1755Z via YL2SW
6W2SC 21.020 1858Z via HA3AUI (d)

12m
5F6SIA 24.950 1418Z via G5XW (B)
5N6/YL2SW 24.900 1631Z via YL2SW
6W2SC 24.897 1651Z via HA3AUI (d)

10m
CE3FZL 28.500 1811Z
CW1GM 28.468 1746Z via CX2ABC
CX7CO 28.540 1845Z via WB3CDX (B)
LU2DSL 28.410 1913Z
LU4DJB 28.469 1757Z via EA5KB (B)
LU9FFZ 28.475 1929Z
PJ2/KE1B 28.425 1925Z via KE1B (B), (L)
PU1PYZ 28.440 1831Z
PU2WDX 28.447 1801Z (d)
PY2EN 28.445 1948Z
PY3BSG 28.490 1852Z (B)
PY5AS 28.455 1749Z (d)
5V7CC 28.085 1128Z RTTY, via DL9MBI (B)

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(L) = LoTW
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Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

-31May 3A2CWG 1726 *
-Dec 3Y8XSA 1700/1717
04May-20May 4JV3AM 1726 *
-25Oct 5B50J 1700
-08Jun 5X1VJ 1721
-Apr/12 5Z4RH ? 1674
-06May 6J5M 1726 *
03May-12May 6W/EA1BT 1725
08May-21May 8P9XB 1726 *
-31Dec 9A11P 1723
07May-15May 9A8AMS 1726 *
28Apr-06May 9G5LK 1725
-Sep 9J2KK 1682
02May-07May 9M2/VK6DXI 1726 *
NOW 9M6/KM9D 1699
-Jun 9N7AK 1726 *
SOON 9Q1EK 1669
-Nov 9Q6CC 1699

-Aug A92IO 1663
01May-05May AH0/AB2RF 1725
-31Dec BP100 1684
-31Dec BV100 1684
-31Dec CW5RV 1711
-May D2AK 1675
13May-20May DH2AK/C6A.. 1726 *
-31Aug DL20Y2DM 1700
07May-09May DS2GOO/4.. 1726 *
22Apr-04Jun F/ON4LO/p 1724
30Apr-07May F4ELJ/p 1725
15Apr-27Apr FJ/OH2YL 1723
-Aug FO8RZ 1636
-Jul/12 FR8NE 1710
01May-08May GS3PYE/p 1725

-31Dec HB60LU 1711
-31Dec HG15IPA 1724
01Jan-31Dec HG200LST 1708
-30Jun HG2011A 1713
-05Jun HI3/KL7JR 1717/1721
30Apr-13May HI7/IK8DNJ 1725
02May-20May HI7/OT4R 1725
-May HR5/F2JD 1718
20Apr-04May HR5/N2WB 1724
01Jan-31Dec IA7MM 1708
02Apr-15May II1ECO 1722
01Jan-31Dec II1ITA.. 1708
-31May II3AC 1726 *
May IL7A 1726 *

01Mar-30Sep IO4UI 1717
-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul/12 J28RO 1683
30Apr-07May JD1BLY 1725
04May-13May JD1BMH 1725
30Apr-04May JD1BMT 1725

-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
POSTPONED KH5 1674/1705
-08May KH0PR 1726 *
-31Dec LA200D 1713
-31Dec LZ85R 1721
May & Aug OL100VP 1721
Jun OL1911VP 1721
Apr & Jul OL2011VP 1721
May OL950CHEB 1725
01May-06May OZ/OO4O 1725
-Sep P29CW 1713
01Jan-31Dec PA30.. 1708
01May-28May PC65ISWL 1725
May PD04ISLE 1725
Apr -Jun PP0T 1725
07May PG6N 1726 *
-31May R1945HS 1726 *
-Dec RI1ANC 1708
01May-31Jul SQ100MSC 1725
08May-14May SV5/PA1FJ/p 1726 *

May T6PSE 1726 *
-Jul T6TL 1695
-31May UN50.. 1726 *
04May-09May V85/9M6XRO 1726 *
-31May VC2CQ85 1726 *
-Mar/12 VK0KEV (Macq) 1700/1701
-Jun VK0M/ZL4DB/p 1725
06May-08May W1ACT 1726 *
May -Aug W3CVD/4 1726 *
NOW XT2RJA 1712
26Apr-05May ZA/LZ1UQ 1725
-Sep ZD9GI 1691
06May-13May ZF2AT & ZF2TH 1726 *
-31Dec ZL50GH 1711

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

A60WARD via EA7FTR
BD1FJP via BA4EG (B)
BD1VFO via BA4EG (B)

BD2BT via BA4EG (B)
BD2IEQ via BA4EG (B)
BD2IMS via BA4EG (B)
BD2LH via BA4EG (B)
BD2QCG via BA4EG (B)
BD2RJ via BA4EG (B)
BD3DDB via BA4EG (B)
BD3RT via BA4EG (B)
BD4AHS via BA4EG (B)
BD4AKT via BA4EG (B)
BD4JZY via BA4EG (B)
BD4KYA via BA4EG (B)
BD4QF via BA4EG (B)
BD4QH via BA4EG (B)
BD4RCS via BA4EG (B)
BD4RCS via BA4EG (B)
BD4SUG via BA4EG (B)
BD4SX via BA4EG (B)
BD4TD via BA4EG (B)
BD4TH via BA4EG (B)
BD4TJ via BA4EG (B)
BD4TR via BA4EG (B)
BD4WZH via BA4EG (B)
BD4XY via BA4EG (B)
BD5BAJ via BA4EG (B)
BD5CFY via BA4EG (B)
BD5ELD via BA4EG (B)
BD5KF via BA4EG (B)
BD5WW via BA4EG (B)
BD6AGX via BA4EG (B)
BD7APC via BA4EG (B)
BD7IHN via BA4EG (B)
BD7JLR via BA4EG (B)
BD7KLO via BA4EG (B)
BD7LDM via BA4EG (B)
BD7MSN via BA4EG (B)
BD7OE via BA4EG (B)
BD8AD via BA4EG (B)
BD8HD via BA4EG (B)
BD8NW via BA4EG (B)
BD0EI via BA4EG (B)
BG1LKK via BA4EG (B)
BG1OCQ via BA4EG (B)
BG1QIW via BA4EG (B)
BG2ACA via BA4EG (B)
BG2AIE via BA4EG (B)
BG2AO via BA4EG (B)
BG2APU via BA4EG (B)
BG2ATB via BA4EG (B)
BG2BAM via BA4EG (B)

BG2IGR via BA4EG (B)
BD2IKO via BA4EG (B)
BG2QOG via BA4EG (B)
BG2TBJ via BA4EG (B)
BG2TOP via BA4EG (B)
BG2VBN via BA4EG (B)
BG3BSV via BA4EG (B)
BG3EO via BA4EG (B)
BG3FOA via BA4EG (B)
BG3GHT via BA4EG (B)
BG3OPJ via BA4EG (B)
BG3QWI via BA4EG (B)
BG3SCR via BA4EG (B)
BG4AHF via BA4EG (B)
BG4ADS via BA4EG (B)
BG4CHG via BA4EG (B)
BG4CZX via BA4EG (B)
BG4IGL via BA4EG (B)
BG4JUD via BA4EG (B)
BG4JWU via BA4EG (B)
BG4LGF via BA4EG (B)
BG4MCG via BA4EG (B)
BG4MR via BA4EG (B)
BG4QGO via BA4EG (B)
BG4RDR via BA4EG (B)
BG4SGP via BA4EG (B)
BG4SOM via BA4EG (B)
EO66JM via UU4JWA
EO66JP via UU4JXI
EO66L via UX3LF
EO66X via UT5XA (B)
ER4DX via RA4LW (d)
FK8DD via LZ1JZ (B)
FP5BZ via F5TJP (B)
GB1MT via M0XIG (B), (L)
GB4SWF via GM3KHH (B)
GB0MPA via GW0ANA (B)
GX4HRC/A via G3SVK (B), eQSL
HF70GMZ via SP9PTG (B)
HG15IPA via HA3JB (d)
II3MM via IZ3DBA (B), eQSL
LW2DFH via EA5KB (B)
OM75IHWC via OM5NA (B), (L), eQSL
PJ2/DL6LAU via DL6LAU (B)
R25XAA via UA3X (B)
TA2ACK (d)
XV2W via W6NWS (B)
XV4YY via DH7WW (B)
ZP6CW via (B), (L), eQSL or ZP6CU (d)
4A0IARU via N7RO (B)

5W8A via YT1AD (B)
9A3B via 9A1AA (B)
9A04JB via 9A3JB (B)
9M6TMT (d) - (*) since Apr 18, 2011

(d) = only direct
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QSLs arrived direct: JT5DX, S9DX (DL1RTL), 3G1M (XQ1IDM), 5X1NH

QSLs arrived bureau: B7P (BA7NQ), BY4DX (BD4HF), ET3JA (OK3AA),
FS/K1XM (KQ1F), HS0ZEE, J5UAP (HA3AUI),
JD1BMH (JG7PSJ), JT1CO, JU85TTC (JT1DN), P41M (DK1MM),
PT1R (PY1NB), TO7ZG (DL7AFS), V47KP & V48M (W2OX),
VP9/DL1YAF, W6KNH/KH0 (JQ1KNH), XW1B (E21EIC),
YS1/HB9KNA, ZK2NX (JM1CAX), 3W6C (HB9LU),
4S7BRG (LZ3HI), 7X2ARA, 8P5A (NN1N), 9M2TO (JA1DMV)

EXTENDED FREQUENCIES IN AZERBAIJAN

The 40m and 80m bands were extended in Azerbaijan (4J, 4K). Radio amateurs
are now allowed to use the ranges 7.000-7.200 MHz and 3.500-3.800 MHz.

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443. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2011-010E - RAC Field Organization opening for National Secretariat - Public Relations Specialist

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RAC Field Organization opening for National Secretariat - Public
Relations Specialist
2011-05-03

There exists within our National Secretariat an opening for an
individual with the following qualifications:

* Degree in administration with 5 years PR experience
* Extensive knowledge of Microsoft Office
* Good decision making and problem solving skills
* Creative - solid communication skills
* Outgoing, enthusiastic and confident
* An effective team player with an extensive drive to be the best
* Fluent in both official languages
* Knowledgeable in all social network modes

If you feel that you are the person described above, and would like to
be considered for this National volunteer position, please forward
your CV to the undersigned.

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GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 1st May 2011

The news headlines:

Radio Spectrum for the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games

Talk in for the RSGB AGM in Derby

Two more operations approved for DXCC

As expected, the RSGB has been approached by Ofcom to help determine sections of the 70cm amateur band that could be released for a limited period around the London 2012 Games next year. As a secondary user of the band, we as radio amateurs have no specific rights to any of those frequencies. Rather than just imposing changes, Ofcom has approached the Society in the spirit of cooperation to work together to solve the problem. The RSGB intends to work constructively on this matter to reach agreement with Ofcom on the segments that can be released on a temporary basis. Ofcom has given clear and unambiguous assurance that the segments used will be returned once the London 2012 Games are over. The RSGB is looking closely at how the spectrum is used in the designated geographical areas in and around London, Weymouth and South Essex in order to minimise the impact. We will be responding to Ofcom shortly. The RSGB's response is being coordinated within the RSGB Spectrum Forum by Murray Niman, G6JYB.

Arrangements have been made for a talk-in station for those attending the RSGB's AGM in Derby on 14 May. It will be available on 145.550MHz from about 8am through to 12 noon and the callsign will be G2DJ, Golf 2 Delta Juliet. If you are planning to attend the AGM by bus from Derby, the information on the hotel's website that was printed in RadCom seems to be a little out of date. The local services are run by Trent Barton and their website at www.trentbarton.co.uk is most helpful. Check out the V2 service, which looks to be the one that stops closest to the Menzies Mickleover Court Hotel. Tickets for the amateur radio dinner on Saturday evening are still available from the RSGB online shop.

Two operations on Tristan Da Cunha and Gough have been approved for DXCC credit. The two are the 2010 ZD9AH operation and the 2010 and 2011 ZD9T operation. If you had these operations rejected in a recent application, please send an e-mail to the ARRL DXCC Desk. Updates will be posted in Logbook of The World accounts as well as online on the daily listings.

May 2011 will be the month for chasing castles and stately homes on air. The weekend of the 21st and 22nd will be the international castles weekend from 1am on the 21st to 11pm on the 22nd. For UK stations, information can be found at www.cashota.co.uk as well as links to regional activity.

The planned operation of ARISSat-1 on 11 and 12 April from inside the International Space Station as part of the commemoration of the 50th anniversary of Yuri Gagarin's flight was, unfortunately, not successful. It appears that no terrestrial station reported hearing transmissions.

The Group for Earth Observation is holding its annual symposium at the National Space Centre, Leicester next Saturday, 7 May. Doors open for registration at 9am and both members and non-members are welcome. There is a charge of ?12 for admission, which includes a car-parking pass and a free ticket for entry to the National Space Centre exhibition areas. There will be a number of presentations on weather satellites and their reception, live imaging, demonstrations help and problem solving. Members of the renowned Dutch Satellite Workgroup will be in attendance. More details from www.geo-web.org.uk.

Early notice of a forthcoming event that may be of interest to UK intermediate students and any keen home brew enthusiast. The Torbay Amateur Radio Society will be hosting a Buildathon on Sunday 5 June in Newton Abbott, Devon. The project is a Manhatten-style 40m Sudden receiver with VFO. The Bath Buildathon Crew will be providing tools and test equipment, as well as assistingon the day. Enquiries to Pam Halliwell via the Torbay website www.tars.org.uk.

The Royal Naval Amateur Radio Society will run a Special Event station at the open day in HMS Collingwood on Saturday 4 June. The callsign to be used is GB6COD, Collingwood Open Day. The station will be operational on all amateur bands from 1.8MHz to 440MHz. The Society headquarters station will be open for viewing from 9.30am to 6pm on the day. A number of demonstrations will be taking place using amateur radio and amateur television. The open day will feature the Royal Navy Field Gun Competition. Additional attractions will include a display from the Royal Marines Band, Collingwood, a free fun fair and much more. Advanced tickets will be available from Gosport and Fareham Tourist Information Offices and Portsmouth News Offices from May 2011.

Could any members or clubs planning to take part in this year's Mills on the Air over the weekend 14 and 15 May to please register their details on the Denby Dale ARS on the website www.g4cdd.net or get in touch with Gerald, G3SDY via e-mail to g3sdy@sky.com as soon as possible.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

The Dambusters Hamfest will take place today, 1 May, at Thorpe Camp Visitor Centre, Coningsby, Lincs LN4 4PE. Entry is ?3 and under 12s are free. There is also free parking and overnight camping is available. The doors open at 10am and there will be an RSGB bookstall.

Monday 2 May sees the Dartmoor Radio Rally take place at Tavistock College, Crowndale Rd, Tavistock, Devon, PL19 8DD. Doors open at 10.30am and there will be trade stands and a bring & Buy. More details can be obtained from Peter, M1AYI on 01822 860277.

On Sunday 8 May, the Magnum Radio Rally will take place at the Magnum Leisure Centre, Harbourside, Irvine, Ayrshire, KA12 8PP. There will be trade stands, a Bring & Buy and special interest groups. Doors open at 10.30am and admission is ?4. Details from Helen, MM0HLN, on 0787 332 7597.

Advanced notice now of the 1st Leicester RS Grand Clearance and Bring & Buy that will be held at the Leicester Radio Society HQ, Groby Road, Leicester. There is approximately ?2000 of donated radio equipment for disposal as well as a Bring & Buy. Doors open 10am to 4pm. Details of equipment available and further details from Alex on 0753 120 1640.

Now for the news of special events

The Spirit of Speyside Whisky Festival will still be taking place today and tomorrow, 1 and 2 May. Moray Firth Amateur Radio Society is celebrating this event by running three Special Event stations, GB3SWF will be located at Strathisla distillery in Keith, GB2SWF will be at the Craigellachie Distillery and GB4SWF will be at Cragganmore Distillery. A commemorative QSL card will be sent to all stations that contact the club during the weekend.

Sands Contest Group is running a special event station to celebrate the Royal Wedding. Weather permitting they hope to run four stations using the callsign GB4HRH. They will be on air between 10am and 5pm today, 1 May. All QSL cards should be sent as EQSL. Details are available on QRZ.com.

On Sunday 8 May, the Whitton Amateur Radio Group will be presenting amateur radio to the public using the special event callsign GB2IKE in Bushy Park as part of an open day called Chestnut Sunday at Bushy Park, located in-between Teddington and Hampton Court Palace in Middlesex. Whitton Amateur Radio Group has the Royal Parks to thank for allowing the station to be situated in the park and it is likely that these will be the first radio transmissions from this location since the base was operational in WW2.

Ballymena ARC will be participating in the Steam Traction Rally, at Shanes Castle, Antrim on 1 and 2 May. They will be putting on displays of amateur radio for the public as well as activating the castle as part of castles and stately homes on the air Northern Ireland. The club will be using callsign GN4KPT, utilising all modes and bands.

And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

Francois, ON4LO will be active on 10 to 40m SSB as F/ON4LO/P between 22 April and 4 June. He plans to operate from a few lighthouses during his trip. QSL via his home callsign, direct or bureau.

Look for Noel, OO4O to be active as OZ/OO4O from Fyn Island, which is IOTA reference EU-172, on 1 to 6 May. He will operate mainly SSB on the HF bands. QSL via the Belgian QSL bureau to ON4APU and LoTW.

Phil, F4EGS will be active again as TT8PK from N'djamena, Chad between 15 April and 15 June. He will be QRV in his spare time. Last year he operated mainly CW on 10 to 80m. QSL via F4EGS, direct or via bureau.

Members of the Camb-Hams will be activating the Isle of Arran between 1 and 8 May. They will be operating as GS3PYE/P and GS6PYE/P. Activity will be on all bands from 70cm to 160m. For VHF, the island lies in IO75.

Now the contest news

The action this week begins on the 2nd with the SSB leg of the 80m Club Championships between 1900 and 2030UTC. The exchange, as usual, is signal report and serial number.

Then on the 3rd it's the 2m UK Activity Contest between 1900 and 2130UTC. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

On the following weekend there are three RSGB events, but with distinct overlaps. The biggie is the 432MHz-234GHz Trophy contest on 7-8th, which is the event in which the really serious UHF/microwavers get their kicks. Running for 24 hours from 1400 to 1400, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

If you're not equipped for umpteen bands or don't want to spend 24 hours contesting, the 432MHz Trophy contest is a separate event that runs for the first eight hours of the 432MHz-234GHz Trophy may be of interest. Running from 1400 to 2200UTC and using all modes, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The 10GHz Trophy contest takes place on the Sunday, coinciding with the last eight hours of the 432MHz - 234GHz Trophy.

Italian events dominate the non-RSGB scene. On 7-8th, The ARI International DX Contest takes place for 24 hours. Work everyone using CW, SSB and RTTY exchanging a report and serial number. Instead of a serial number, Italian stations give a 2-letter Province code and there are 110 of them to collect as multipliers. Single-op single-mode entries are allowed, but not single band.

And now the solar factual data for the period from the 18th to the 24th of April, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on the 25th of April.

Solar activity was low everyday except for the 22nd when two M1 solar flares took place. Small sudden ionospheric disturbances took place but no coronal mass ejections; therefore their effect on propagation was minimal. Solar flux levels increased slightly from 111 units on the 18th and the 19th to 119 by the 23rd. The average was 115 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 24th was 106, that's three units up on last week. X-ray flux levels hovered around the B4 mark for most of the week

but increased to B8.4 on the 22nd. The average was B4.6. Geomagnetic activity started at unsettled levels with the Ap index at 10 units on the 18th and 16 units on the 20th. The average was Ap 8 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds increase from 320 kilometres per second to 570 by the 20th. Speeds then gradually declined. Particle densities increased to 41 particles per cubic centimetre on the 18th but then declined for the rest of the period. Bz varied between minus 12 and plus 13 nanoTeslas on the 20th which was the most disturbed day and between minus and plus 4 nanoTeslas when the field was quiet.

And now the solar forecast. This week the quieter side of the Sun is expected to be facing our way. Solar activity should be at low levels on some days. Solar flux levels are expected to around the 110 mark for most of the week. Geomagnetic activity should be at quiet levels all week but a coronal hole disturbance could commence right at the end of the forecast period and certainly at the start of the following week. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 23MHz for the south and 20MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows are expected to be around 11MHz. Paths this week to the Middle East should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of about 25MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate of around 19MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 1100 and 1600 hours. If any double hop Sporadic-E openings take place on 28 and 50MHz then the Middle East could be worked by that mode, but it could be just a bit too early in the season for that.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS

The Midland Amateur Radio Society will be running a field day over the weekend of 14 and 15 May, starting at around 0800UTC finishing on the Sunday at 1200UTC. The callsign will be GB8OTH, Oscar Tango Hotel. Operating will be on 80, 40, 20, 10, 6, 4, 2m and 70cm. More information via club website www.radioclubs.net/mars/.

On Monday 2 May, Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronic Society will be operating from Crinkley Hill. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY on 01452 548478, daytime, for more information.

On Monday 2 May, Lincoln Short Wave Club, will put GB2CWF on the air from East Kirkby. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO on 01427

788356.

On Monday 2 May, South Birmingham Radio Society will have no meeting due to the bank holiday. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Monday 2 May, South Normanton Alfreton & District Amateur Radio Club have no meeting due to the bank holiday. More details on the club from A Lawrence, 2E0BQS by e-mail to adylawri@btinternet.com.

On Tuesday 3 May, Derby & District Amateur Radio Society will be holding a Junk Sale. Contact Richard Buckby, by e-mail to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 3 May, Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club will be taking part in the club quiz part 2 organised by Ron G7ZRT. More detail from Chris M0MFP on 01507 442240.

On Tuesday 3 May, Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club are holding an Open Forum on the types and use of meters. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Wednesday 4 May, Hinckley Amateur Radio Society has a social evening. Details from John, M0JAV, on 07836 731544.

On Wednesday 4 May, Lincoln Short Wave Club, is having a natter night and putting G5FZ on the air. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

On Wednesday 4 May, Midland Amateur Radio Society has the shack on the air and training classes. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 01214 229 787.

On Wednesday 4 May, South Birmingham Radio Society has a lecture in the main hall. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Wednesday 4 May, South Kesteven Amateur Radio Society is having an informal evening. Contact Nigel, M0CVO, on 01476 402550.

On Wednesday 4 May, Telford & District Amateur Radio Society has a Committee & HF, VHF on the air evening. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday 5 May, Hucknall Rolls Royce Amateur Radio Club is holding the second of this seasons fox hunts, starting at 7.15pm from the club car park at Hucknall. Contact Dave Wilde, G1YAI on 0844 4355593.

On Thursday 5 May the 37th Annual General Meeting of the Leicestershire Repeater Group will be held 8pm promptly in The Brant Inn, Overdale Avenue, Groby, Leicestershire, LE6 0DU.

On Thursday 5 May, Salop Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. More information on the web at www.salop-ars.org.uk.

On Thursday 5 May, South Birmingham Radio Society is having training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Friday 6 May, Bromsgrove & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its AGM. Contact Chris, M0BQE on 01905 776 869.

On Friday 6 May, Coventry Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on the RSGB QSL Bureau by Richard Constantine, G3UGF. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777363.

On Friday 6 May, Nunsfield House Amateur Radio Group is holding a Windows 7 Forum. Details from Ken Frankcom, G3OCA, on 01332 720976.

On Friday 6 May, South Birmingham Radio Society is having a construction evening. Contact Don on 0121 458 1603.

On Saturday 7 May, Lincoln Short-Wave Club has a Saturday morning in the shack. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND,

On Monday 2 May, Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club has no club due to the bank holiday. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR on 0191 477 0036.

On Monday 2 May, Grimsby Amateur Radio Society is taking part in the RSGB 80m Club Championship contest. Contact Cliff G4YHP on 01472 328 830.

On Monday 2 May, Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the RSGB 80m Club Championship contest. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV on 01377 240573.

On Monday 2 May, Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is holding a social evening & taking part in the RSGB 80m Club Championship contest. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by e-mail to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 2 May, Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society has no meeting due to the bank holiday. More details on the web at www.tcars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 3 May, Chester & District Amateur Radio Society is holding daytime radio operations at Hanmer Arms Hotel, Hanmer. Details from Barbara Green on 07957 870770.

On Tuesday 3 May, Stockport RS is having a talk on PCBs with Pete Ridley, M1PTR. Contact Nigel Roscoe on 07973 312 699.

On Wednesday 4 May, Denby Dale Radio Club is having a talk on the RSGB QSL Bureau by Richard, G3UGF. Contact Richard, M0RBG on 07976 220126.

On Wednesday 4 May, Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on Awards and DXing by G3LZQ. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV on 01377 240573.

On Thursday 5 May, Grimsby Amateur Radio Society is holding the 1st DF Hunt. Contact Cliff, G4YHP on 01472 328 830.

On Thursday 5 May, Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is visiting Bletchley Park. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240573.

On Thursday 5 May, Keighley Amateur Radio Society is having a club night. Contact Shirley, M6SAK on 01535 652781.

On Thursday 5 May, Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is having an explanation of the solar forecast. Contact Rob Hall, M0RBYon 0787 608 5631.

On Thursday 5 May, South Manchester Radio & Communications Club is having a talk entitles Audacity by Bill, G4NOL. Details from Ron, G3SVW on 0161 969 3999.

On Thursday 5 May, Wakefield & District Radio Society is having a barbecue, tickets available from John G7JTH. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, 07900 563117.

On Friday 6 May, East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is having a night on the air. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Saturday 7 May, Wakefield & District Radio Society is continuing the Foundation, Intermediate and Advanced licence courses from 1.30pm. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, 07900 563117.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND

The Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club will be holding a Foundation course over 1 weekend towards the end of May. The course is open to anyone who wishes to take the first step on the amateur radio ladder. If you are interested you must attend the registration night on Wednesday 4 May from 7.30 to 8.30pm at The Place Initiative, Ardress Park, Portadown BT62 3TP. More details can be found at www.muarc.com or by contacting Martin, MI0YMF on 02832852712.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND

On Tuesday 3 May, Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club evening. Contact Norman, on 07740 946192.

On Wednesday 4 May, Ayr ARG, is having a visit by Dave Wilson, President of RSGB. Details from Tom Ferguson, GM1OST on 01292 532 088.

On Wednesday 4 May, Glenrothes & District Radio Club is now back at the Football Pavilion in Thornton at their normal meeting time of 7.15pm. The repairs due to burst pipes have been made good. Details from Dave Francis on 01383 823878.

On Wednesday 4 May, West of Scotland (Glasgow) Amateur Radio Society is having an evening of homebrew projects and licence training. More information from Fred Coombes, 2M0BIN on 01415 715512.

On Thursday 5 May, Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is having a junk sale. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR on 01224 575 663.

On Friday 6 May, Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club is holding a normal club night. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ on 01875 811 723.

On Friday 6 May, West of Scotland (Glasgow) Amateur Radio Society is having presentations, a quiz and a raffle. More information from Fred Coombes, 2M0BIN on 01415 715512.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST AND EAST ANGLIA

On Sunday 1 May, Bedford and District Amateur Radio Club members will be going to the Old Warden Spring Show. Contact Bob Leask, G3XNG by e-mail to g4ceotalk21.com.

On Sunday 1 May, Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is holding the Sunday morning breakfast meeting in Goring cafe. Contact Phil, G4UDU on 01903 816684.

On Monday 2 May, Braintree & District Amateur Radio Society is having an evening equipment testing and Mills weekend planning. For more information contact John, M5AJB, on 01787 460 947.

On Monday 2 May, Burnham Beeches Radio Club is taking part in the RSGB 80m Club Championship contest 7 till 9pm. Contact Dave, G4XDU, on 01628 625 720.

On Monday 2 May, Coalhouse Fort Amateur Radio Society is having an Open Day. Details from John Parker, M1DUC by e-mail to coalhouserad1o@yahoo.com.

On Monday 2 May, Felixstowe & District Amateur Radio Society has no meeting due to the bank holiday. More information from Paul, G4YQC by email to pjw@btinternet.com.

On Monday 2 May, Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the RSGB 80m Club Championship contest. Contact Chris Danby, G0DWV on 01603 898678.

On Tuesday 3 May, Bedford and District Amateur Radio Club is holding its AGM. Contact Bob Leask, G3XNG by e-mail to g4ceotalk21.com.

On Tuesday 3 May, Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on Astronomy by John Greenwood. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Tuesday 3 May, Verulam Amateur Radio Club is holding a committee meeting at 8pm. Contact Tony, 2EOWAP on 01727 853087.

On Wednesday 4 May, Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a general meeting and CW training session. Contact Terry, G0VFW on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday 4 May, Havering & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on HMS King George V by Bart Kent. Details from John, M0UKD on 07890 222 111.

On Wednesday 4 May, Norfolk Amateur Radio Club, is having a talk on digital signal processor noise cancellation products by Graham Somerville, M3ZGS from BHI. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV on 01603 898678.

On Wednesday 4 May, Southdown Amateur Radio Society is operating at the Hailsham shack. Details from John, G3DQY on 01424 424 319.

On Wednesday 4 May, Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is having a DVD evening. Contact Phil, G4UDU on 01903 816684.

On Thursday 5 May, Cray Valley Radio Society is having a half & half meeting. There will be a demo and on-air operating with the club radios presented by Guy Roberts, G0UKN and an Overview of Yahoo groups by Kevin Jenkins M0KSJ. Contact Bob, M0MCV on 020 8265 7735 after 8pm.

On Thursday 5 May, Horndean & District Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night and social evening. Contact Stuart, G0FYX on 023 9247 2846.

On Thursday 5 May, Horsham Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on Software Defined Radio by Chris Smith, G4NUX. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk.

On Thursday 5 May, King's Lynn Amateur Radio Club is having a club night and 2m club net. Contact Ray, G3RSV by e-mail to ral-g3rsv@supanet.com.

On Thursday 5 May, Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is closed for local elections. Details from David, G8UOD, on 01234 742 757.

On Thursday 5 May, Verulam Amateur Radio Club is having a social with GB3VH at 7.30pm in the White Horse, Sandridge. Contact Tony,2EOWAP on 01727 853087.

On Friday 6 May, Crystal Palace Radio & Electronic Club is having an Introduction to D-Star by Chris Howard, 2E0CTH. Contact Bob, G3OOU on 01737 552 170.

On Friday 6 May, Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a radio night & table top sale. Contact Peter, G4AKG on 01444 239371.

On Friday 6 May, Wey Valley Amateur Radio Group has a talk on Bletchley Park by Ray Goff, G4FON. Details on the web at www.weyvalleyarg.org.uk.

On Saturday 7 May, Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve on 01424 720815.

On Saturday and Sunday 7 and 8 May, East Kent RS is taking part in the Windmills on the Air event. Contact Karl Davies, M1DFM on 01227 710120.

On Saturday 7 May, Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is putting Worthing Museum on the air with the callsign GB2WM. Contact Phil, G4UDU on 01903 816684.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST

On Sunday 1 May, Cornish Radio Amateur Club is holding a special event station at Perranporth airfield using the callsign GR4CRC. Details from Steve, G7VOH on 01209 844939.

On Tuesday 3 May, Blackmoor Vale Amateur Radio Society is having a VHF evening & preparing for Mills weekend. Contact Tony, G0GFL on 01258

860741.

On Tuesday 3 May, Cornish Radio Amateur Club is holding a committee meeting. Details from Steve, G7VOH on 01209 844939.

On Wednesday 4 May, Cornish Radio Amateur Club is holding the main meeting at St Agnes Coast Watch Station. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844939.

On Wednesday 4 May, Exmouth Amateur Radio Club is having a talk and demonstration on The Self-balancing-vehicle by Alec Jefford, G8GON. Contact Muriel, G8UWE on 01395 264872.

On Wednesday 4 May, Taunton & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk in The Thermionic Valve part 2 by Mike Coles, M0CIE. Contact William, G3WNI on 01823 666 234 for more information.

On Wednesday 4 May, Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on WAB by Stan, G0RYM. Contact Tony, G0WMB on 01454 417048.

On Wednesday 4 May, Trowbridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on SWLing Broadcast Stations by Nick Dewhurst. Details from Ian, G0GRI, on 01225 864 698, evenings and weekends.

On Thursday 5 May, South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is holding a committee meeting. Contact Andrew Jenner, G7KNA on 07838 695471

On Thursday 5 May, Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a DF Contest. Contact Den, M0ACM on 07810 317750.

On Thursday 5 May, Yeovil Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on My Kite Aerials by M0WOB. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk.

On Friday 6 May, North Bristol Amateur Radio Club has an evening called Shack Ergonomics or Fitting It All In!. More information from Dick on 01454 218362.

On Friday 6 May, Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by e-mail to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

On Saturday 7 May, Blackmoor Vale Amateur Radio Society is taking part in the Mills weekend from Sturminster Newton Mill. Contact Tony, G0GFL on 01258 860741.

NEWS FOR WALES

On Monday 2 May, Dragon Amateur Radio Club is having a a chat night on club matters. Contact Stewart Rolfe, GW0ETF on 07833 620733.

On Monday 2 May, Llanelli Amateur Radio Society is closed due to the bank haoliday.. Contact Craig, MW0MXT on 01269 840292.

On Tuesday 3 May, Wrexham Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on What have you got under your cap by Patrick Glyn, MW0BNB. More information on the web at www.wrexham-ars.co.uk or Patrick, 2W0HUU on 07947 701 927.

On Wednesday 4 May, Conwy Valley Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the history of radio from day one by David Roberts, GW8NZN. Contact Wynne, GW6PMC on 01745 855 068.

445. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 25 April - 01 May 2011

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# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
25 April - 01 May 2011

Solar activity began the week at very low levels. An increase to low
occurred with a C2 x-ray event at 0233 UTC on 27 April from Region
1201 (N16, L=116, plage region). Activity continued at low levels
for the remainder of the week with the primary contributions from
Region 1199 (N20, L=188, class/area Dso/210 on 01 May), Region 1203
(N18, L=061, class/area Cso/160 on 01 May), and Region 1195 (S16,
L=191, class/area Ehi/400 on 25 April). The largest event of the
week was a C6/Sf from Region 1199 at 2332 UTC on 01 May.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
low to moderate levels for 25-30 April, and reached high levels on
01 May.

Geomagnetic field activity was generally quiet from 25-28 April. An
increase to unsettled to active levels (with occasional storm
periods at high latitudes) occurred late on 29 April and persisted
through 01 May in response to a favorably positioned negative
polarity coronal hole. The high speed stream followed a clear solar
sector boundary crossing at 1445 UTC on 28 April. Solar wind
velocity began to increase at 1600 UTC on 29 April and reached peak
values around 740 km/s. The north-south component of the solar wind
Bz turned negative after 1600 UTC on 29 April and persisted at
generally negative values for the remainder of the week. Typical
values were in the range between 0 and -5 nT with peak values
reaching -10 to -12 nT.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
04 May - 30 May 2011

Solar activity is expected to be very low to low. There is a chance
for isolated periods of moderate levels due to the possible
emergence of new regions as well as the return of old Region 1195 on
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15 May.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at high levels for 04-07 May in response to the sustained high solar wind speed mentioned previously. Normal background levels should resume for 08-09 May but another increase to high levels is expected for 10-12 May in response to another high speed stream. Normal background levels should return for the remainder of the outlook interval with the exception of 19-20 May and 28-30 May due to recurrent high speed streams.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be quiet to unsettled for 04 May and generally quiet for 05-08 May. An increase to unsettled levels with possible active periods is expected for 9-10 May in response to a recurrent coronal hole. Quiet levels should prevail until 17 May when another recurrent high speed stream is expected to increase activity to unsettled to active levels. Quiet levels should return for 18-25 May, followed by an increase to unsettled to active levels with a chance for storm periods at high latitudes for 26-30 May in response to a recurrent coronal hole.

446. SEXY VIDEOS AND HOT 2011PHOTOS FREE

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447. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2011-011E - VPFS Doug Mercer VO1DTM and National Secretariat welcome A.J.(Andrew) Bryan VE7KSN/National Amateur Radio Emergency Database (NARED) now ready for applicants

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2011-05-04

This is a two part bulletin:

VPFS Doug Mercer VO1DTM and National Secretariat welcome A.J.(Andrew) Bryan VE7KSN

It is with great pleasure that I, along with the members of the Field Organization National Secretariat welcome A.J.(Andrew) Bryan VE7KSN to the Secretariat as IT Advisor.

A.J. is an advanced ham with code endorsement and resides in Staanich, British Columbia. Originally from Nova Scotia he graduated from the Royal Road Military College in Victoria and went on to serve in the military as an infantry officer for 8 years. He has experience as a Business Analyst and IT Support Specialist with the British Columbia Provincial Emergency Program, is staff representative to the Radio Advisory Committee, as is currently Emergency Management Technology Specialist with the PEP, Emergency Management British Columbia.

Welcome aboard A.J. Your knowledge and experience combined with that of our other Advisors will greatly enhance our ability to ensure the successful implementation of a new Field Organization, and our ARES review project.

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National Amateur Radio Emergency Database (NARED) now ready for applicants

I am pleased to advise that the National Amateur Radio Emergency Database is ready to receive applicants. If you are interested in

being considered, have a high level of Emcomm training or are willing to update, please contact the undersigned by e-mail to receive an information package, release of liability form and application. Once you have submitted your application, it will be reviewed by our National Emergency Coordinator Ken Oelke VE6AFO and Manager NARED Merv Halvorsen VA3TSA. Thank you for your interest.

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448. MMMonVHF Newsletter 2011-05-05

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Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our lastet NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2011-05-05
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter, once a week (thursday)
from now on - if any special activities will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further detail please be so kind and watch our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you vy welcome for any
input and we do hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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** IARU May VHF Contest 2011, 7-8th May **

As well as in past years, Matej, OK1TEH, did setup a list of
stations participating at the IARU May VHF Contest 2011 7-8th May.
For details please do refer the following Web-Page:
www.darkside.cz/qrv.php SOURCE: Matej, OK1TEH at OK2KKW webpage

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** V/UHF Contest "Memorial CT1WW" in memory of Tiago - CT1WW **

The Portuguese radio amateur club "Tertï¿½lia Radiomadorï¿½stica Douriense"
organizes next 7 and 8 of May (from 14h00 UTC/Saturday to 14h00 UTC/
Sunday) the V/UHF Contest "Memorial CT1WW" in memory of Tiago - CT1WW.
The contest will be held in 50MHz, 144MHz, 432MHz and 1296MHz. The logs
should be received, in EDI format, before 15 May (23:59 UTC) via email
log@trd.qrmzero.com . Now that 6 meters E-Sporadic season just started,
this may be a good opportunity to do some VHF QSO's. The contest rules
can be found in the club website http://trd.qrmzero.com, directly at
http://trd.qrmzero.com/memorialct1ww/2011/Regulamento memorial CT1WW
2011 ENG.pdf . Many thanks in advance. Best regards, on behalf of
Tertï¿½lia Radioamadorï¿½stica Douriense Carlos, CT1HSN direct to MMMonVHF

** BEACON in PY during Araucaria DX Contest **

We enrolled our beacon in the contest Araucaria DX group VHF he is
24 hours in the air in three tones issuing 144,295 pilots and
identity in CW. OSJ antenna to 16 meters 25 watts, a true challenge

not? in this city of Goytacazes rj, played by a CPU 2500. Who will kill this figurine? the challenge is FM modulation Who knows a duct favors SOURCE: tnx to diney monteiro pu1pby direct to MMMonVHF

** VK2KU at Home back at home **

Hi Everyone, My sincere thanks to the many who sent me their good wishes recently, following a totally unexpected visit to Goulburn hospital, where the food was fine when I was allowed to eat it!
I am now home, but it will be at least a week or two before I am likely to visit the shack, which at 100m now seems impossibly far away from the house. SOURCE: Guy, VK2KU via MoonNet
Our best wishes again, gd healthy! Guy (red. 8EBW)

** DXCC reached at Isao, JM1WBB **

So, I have got DXCC, worked 100 entities now. 2m EMEers: thank you for your support and activities. Of course, I will call to ER and EY by full power after the Japanese long vacation, HI. I need A2's QSL asap SOURCE: Isao / JM1WBB via MoonNet - CONGRATS Isao-San (red. 8EBW)

** C56EME QSL Status **

After some delay (parcel with cards was lost in the post from the printer to us) we did receive the C56EME qsl cards. The cards will be send out the next days. If you did not send a QSL yet, you can send yours to PA3CEE (adress at qrz.com) - SOURCE: Team C56EME via MoonNet

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: PJ4 ; Square: FK52 ; FINISHED **
USE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/review.php - click: PJ4X

Announcement New DXCC 144MHz moonbounce - LAST NEWS from PE1L, dated 2011-04-30: Today 30 april the PJ4X moonbounce activity was ended. We finished with 333 inits on 144 MHz in 50 dxcc countries and 10 inits on 432 MHz. About QSL: QSL cards are ordered in two designs so the lucky ones who got us on two bands will get two different cards.
All QSL wil go via PE1L and we kindly ask you to keep in mind that you include enough to cover the costs. You can see your QSL status on the log page at www.emelogger.com/bonaire and www.emelogger.com/curacao
If you do a logsearch you can see if you are in the log, if your card is received and if our card is send to you. Best 73 Rene PE1L, Johan PA3FPQ, Jurgen PE1LWT and Peter PJ4NX - PS there is a big change that

PJ4NX will pop up on the band so now and then!
SOURCE: tnx to Rene, PE1L, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: ER ; Square: KN48 ; Start: 2011-05-06 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3706

The Team of UX5UL, UT6UG and UT2UB will be qrv on 144 MHz from KN48
in May! LATEST NEWS from Oleg, UX5UL, dated 2011-04-29: ER0UB other
expedition then ER/US8ZAL! Operators are UT6UG, UX5UL and UT2UB.
We go to KN48 6 May and planing start on EME 6 or 7 May...
SOURCE: tnx to Oleg, UX5UL, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: EY7 ; Square: ?? ; Start: CANCELLED!!! **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3794
Frank, DL8YHR, was planing his next EME-Trip from 09.05 to 13.05.2011
to the EY7 Aerea - LATEST NEWS from Frank, DL8YHR, dated 2011-05-03:
after US Army killed Osama on May 02nd I am in need to change my Plan
to go to EY... all parts of the Setup are already down their and in
good conditions... had a long talk to my yl and we finished talk with
the result better to wait what will be happend... I will go their
later this year or spring 2012.., vy sorry but hope everyone could
understand! QTH is vy close to the Boarders of EP AP and T6.., I will
go there 100% but not now... will just wait till things are more clear
SOURCE: tnx to Frank, DL8YHR, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: ER ; Square: KN45 ; Start: 2011-05-11 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3791

A Team around ER5WU, ER5GR, ER0/K1WE, ER0/UY5HF and ER0/US8ZAL
will qrv from KN45cv on 144 MHZ MS EME and Tropo - In time of
Moon pass we will work with call ER5WU. QSL via US8ZAL
SOURCE: tnx to Vlad, US8ZAL, via MMMonVHF

** DXCC: ?? ; Square: ?? ; Start: 2011-05-28 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3794

XX/DL1YMK EME-DXpedition 2011
Hello fellow-EMEï¿½s, as announced earlier this year, we will set out
for our next EME Dxpedition end of May. We need 3 days for transfer
and for installing the station set-up, so we intend to start operation
provided all goes smooth, on Saturday, 28th May with 23 cm, wheather
permitting. As the country, which we want to activate, has very
limited power limits for amateur radio, the telecommunication
authority proposed to apply for a temporary commercial radio licence
in order to be allowed for enough power for EME (which we needed to
pay for, of course). So we will be active with our ï¿½normalï¿½ signal

strength, hopefully providing a new country for you over the moon!
As in the previous years we doni¿½t announce the assigned callsign in beforehand to increase the fun for all interested hams in the first days of operation. We hope to have excellent moon windows from Australia and Japan (this time we have also equipment for the Japanese frequency on 13 cm with us!!) to the States and Canada, so all, who want to work us should be able to do so. Due to problems with our available days for holiday this year, the operation is limited to 9 days ending with the participation in the 23 cm DUBUS contest on 4th and 5th June. Details at: www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3794
SOURCE: Michael, DL1YMK via MoonNet

** DXCC: 8P9 ; Square: GK03 ; Start: 2011-11-09 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3785

A DL Team will be active holiday style from 8P9 (GK03) on HF and 6m as well 2m EME. Station will be TRX and 500W into 14 el XPol DF7KF (TX circular, RX all polarisations). More details closer to the trip or when the Team arrived...
SOURCE: tnx to Dith, DF7KF, direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** Andy, GM0KZG/MM, is QRV again **

Andy, GM0KZG/MM, is QRV again for Es and MS on 6 m, while on the Minna ("inshore ship") - I am now QRV on 6m from the ship. Running 100w using a 3 ele Eagle 3dx yagi, and the FT847. Some noise problems up to S5 at times from the shipi¿½s propulsion system. I have about 270 degrees clear view, apart from the boom of the liferaft crane directly behind my antenna. The LNA is not working just yet, so I might be a bit deaf. We may be heading out for IO56 today (April 23rd) I hope to use 50.168 i¿½ for SSB and 50.260 for JT6M, during any openings, and will be QRV evenings after 1600 utc, with possibly some times in the afternoons at the weekends. LATEST NEWS from Andy, GM0KZG/MM, dated 2011-05-01: 2 pieces of rope were removed in Stornoway by divers, and the ship has left port again. Present location is IO68 (April 30, 16z). Heading for IO78...
LATEST NEWS from DXCluster, dated 2011-05-04: Andy was qrv from IO69!
SOURCE: tnx to Andy, GM0KZG/mm, direct to MMMonVHF
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3789

** V55EME 6m EME from Namibia **

LATEST NEWS from the V55-Team, dated 2011-05-04:
Dear Friends, Today we was able to complete 3 QSO on the worst conditions you can imagine. Moonrise don't work, we have a small hill blocking EL, but we will try to TX ALWAYS. W7GJ was -26 but with EL in 16 degrees, later W1JJ was -20dB but looks like Ground reflection gain works better on 12 degrees and less. Last QSO today was with ES6RQ with -26dB when we have only 1 degree EL. Extra ground reflexion works perfect during Moonset. We have no pre-amp and with worst conditions we was able to manage this QSOs. We will TX always in Moonrise and Moonset, conditions are improven and May 10 and up we will have DGR 1dB only (5 db better than now). The antennas installed by Hanspeter HB9PHJ are working great.I want to extend my congratulation to Martin V51W (the owner station) for the big effort done before my arrival to Namibia, They are really motivated to learn JT and for sure we will have a permanent Active station for long future. We just start, please be paincient and you will add a new DXCC country in your list. 73 de V55EME group
SOURCE: tnx to Alex, HB9DRI, direct to MMMonVHF and via MoonNet

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** LX/PE1ITR/p qrv in IARU-Contest from JO30BA on 70cm and 23cm **

QRV saturday may 7th and sunday may 8th - 432: 2x2x16el 400w and 1296: 2x33el 150w - ON4KST available for real-time SKED on 23cm.
CU in contest , 73 Frans PA3CQE and Rob PE1ITR
SOURCE: OK1TEH (http://www.darkside.cz/qrv.php)

** UW5Y Team qrv from KN38AL during IARU Contest **

UW5Y team planned short contest-type expedition to KN38. Good take off to EU is possible to make good QSO. look us in ON4KST chat
SOURCE: tnx to US2YW direct to MMMonVHF

** CR5M Team qrv from IN61 during "CT1WW Memorial" contest **

CR5M will be participating in the "CT1WW Memorial" contest 2011 from IN61 - Information about the contest:
http://trd.qrmzero.com/memorialct1ww
SOURCE: tnx Carlos, CT1HSN, direct to MMMonVHF

** EA3LA/p qrv from JN12IK during the IARU Contest **

During 7-8 mai , ea3djl,ea3bsg,ea3la will go to Pic de Salines at 1400 m. this year with 10 Ghz . Locator JN12IK. 144: 350 watts + 5 WL + prev. - 432: 250 watts + 38 ele. + prev. - 1296 : 150 watts + 55 el + prev - 10 Ghz : 1 watt + 1,20 parab.
If the weather is good, listen in 144 Mhz 73.
SOURCE: tnx to EA3LA direct to MMMonVHF

** Holiday Activity on 50 MHz from IM86 **

I will be active from 16. Aug. - 02. Sept. from IM86ar on 6m CW/SSB
Also Lighthouse number SPA-219 from my holiday QTH. Call: EA7/DH6DAO
SOURCE: tnx to DH6DAO, Reinhard, direct to MMMonVHF

** 4L1AN on 6m next month **

This is a preliminary heads-up to let you know that K5BM is heading over to Georgia on May 25 to join up with 4L1AN, who just received a temporary 6m permit for their operation. They hope to be QRV on JT65A for EME during the optimum periods in June and July. The call will be 4L1AN, but the grid locator is not yet firmed up. They hope to be able to set up on the Black Sea shoreline, looking out over the sea on their moonset. Obviously that kind of location would give them an ideal shot at Es toward EU and possibly NA too. If they can arrange that, they would be in either LN01 or LN02. I am having my 6M7JHV yagi sent to them from the T31A DXpedition, but they are still looking for a 6M amplifier to use. Since 6m is not usually authorized in 4L, there are not many 6m amps around over there, and K5BM will probably have to take one with him. If you have any suggestions, please let John or Tom know. More information coming as it develops...GL and DX!
SOURCE: Lance Collister, W7GJ, via Magic Band EME Group

** Isle of Arran (IO75) qrv again **

Camb-Hams members Bob G1SAA, Terry G3VFC, Martin G3ZAY, Colin G4ERO, Colin G8TMV, Mark M0MJH, Rob M0VFC, Steve M1ACB and Gavin M1BXF will be active on the 1-8th of May 2011 from the Isle of Arran (IOTA EU-123 IOSA CL01, SCOTIA CS14). QTH will be a rented cottage on the west of the island near Balliekine (WW Loc. IO75HO). As usual most HF bands will be activated with SSB, data and some CW. VHF wise they will be on 6m and 4m SSB/data (JT6m) and being a little more south than Harris they will again activate 2m both SSB/data (FSK441). If they have time they will also be active on 2m and 70cm satellites. This year the CRG (Cambridgeshire Repeater Group) has a new callsign G6PYE which they will use alongside the traditional G3PYE, as the activation is in Scotland the prefix becomes GS for a club station in Scotland. Listen out for both GS3PYE/p and GS6PYE/p. QSL direct or via bureau to M0VFC
Website: http://dx.camb-hams.com/
SOURCE: [rsgbiota.org] via ICPO Bulletin (29 April-06 May 2011)

** JD1 - OGASAWARA, AS-031, WW-Loc. QL17 **

Makoto,JD1BLY (JI5RPT), Harry,JD1BMH (JG7PSJ), and Masaru,JD1BMT (JE4SMQ), are staying on Chichijima (AS-031) again by the end of April and beginning of May but will stay there for

different period of times. You can expect activities from:
JD1BLY: Apr 30 until May 7 - JD1BMT: Apr 30 until May 4
JD1BMH: May 4-13 - Activities are planned in CW, SSB and digital modes
on 160m-6m and via satellite. You can visit the websites of the OPs
for news and logs: JD1BLY: http://www.ji5rpt.com/jd1 and
JD1BMH: http://sapphire.es.tohoku.ac.jp/jd1bmh
JD1BMT: http://homepage3.nifty.com/maaberu/logsjd1/logsearch.html
QSL cards should be sent via bureau or direct to their homecalls.
SOURCE: DXNL 1725 - Apr 27, 2011

** KH0, MARIANA ISLANDS, qrv HF, 6m and Satellites **

Yoshi, JJ8DEN, is now active as KH0PR from the Coconut Village Hotel
on Rota Island (OC-086) until May 8th. Activity will be on 160-6 m.
using CW, RTTY and PSK. Also possible is some Satellite operations
(FO-29 and VO-52). QSL via JJ8DEN, by the Bureau or direct (w/SASE
and 2 USZDs or 1 IRC with European type envelope. If small envelope
is sent, Yoshi will return QSL card by surface mail [ship mail]).
DO NOT send QSL to Rota. SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1009

** SV5, DODECANESE, qrv HF and 6m **

Fred, PA1FJ, will be active as SV5/PA1FJ/P from Karpathos (EU-001)
between May 8-14th. Activity will be on 40-6 meters using CW and SSB.
He will use his Yaesu FT-817 into a Buddistick antenna and a 2x 5m
dipole. QSL via the Dutch QSL Bureau. SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX #1009

** ZF, CAYMAN ISLANDS, qrv HF and 50 MHz **

Operators Bob/W5UQ and Bill/W5SJ will be active as ZF2UQ and ZF2EZ,
respectively, between July 11th and approx. July 18th. Look for them
to operate in the CQWW VHF Contest (July 16-17th), mainly on 6 meters
Activity outside of the contest will be on the HF bands using mainly
CW and some SSB. QSL via W5JAY (see QRZ.com).
SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1009

** V8, BRUNEI, qrv with V85/9M6XRO HF and 50 MHz **

John, 9M6XRO, will once again be active as V85/9M6XRO from Darussalam
Brunei (OC-088), between May 4-9th. Activity will be mainly CW, but
also possibly some RTTY or SSB. John states V85 does not have an
allocation for 6m. As before, John will be running 400w to a Butternut
HF6V up about 100 ft. on the hotel roof. He mentions, "BTW during my
visit to Brunei in March, I made close to 2500 Q's with a high
percentage on RTTY. I have been asked by some Southern Hemisphere
stations to look for them on 80m CW so I will give that my best shot

on this trip :-)." QSL via M0URX, direct (w/SAE plus 1 IRC/2 USDs), by the Bureau, or LoTW. Alternatively, QSLs may be requested using M0URX's OQRS form at: http://www.m0urx.com/qsl-request-form ADDED NOTE BY 9M6XRO: John will be visiting the U.K. and I.O.M between May 19th and June 1st. He states, "I plan to spend the first part until the 28th in the Isle of Man - then the latter part in Ayrshire I hope to put GD3OOK on the air from home base for a last time!" SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1009

** UT1FG/MM VOYAGE WRAP-UP **

Captain Yuri Bodrov, UT1FG/MM, wrapped up his 6 month voyage that took him across the Atlantic Ocean 3 times and around the Cape of Good Hope in South America and through the Panama Canal on his ship, the Mottler He operated on the HF bands, 6 meters and also activated a few hundred grids to the delight of many satellite operators in Europe, South and North America. Walt, WP4T, and his ham radio family met up with him in San Juan, Puerto Rico, his final port before flying home. Captain Bodrov gave them the red carpet tour. Pictures from their visit are now available on the K8YSE Web site at: http://www.papays.com/sat QSL direct or to his manager UX0FY. SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1009

** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php) to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 2359 UTC ...

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The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF - Newsletter Credits & Info
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Our Newsletter is compiled from the input of the USER of the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF and as well by a lot of free usable HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USER who did send us info and News **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/kontact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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449. WIANEWS FOR WEEK COMMENCING May 8 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
Message-ID: <13115bb3-fc51-4e17-bd0d-433111d64716@smxsrv01.vintek.net>
Source record: 4489
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Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2011-05-08.mp3
Text edition:

WIANEWS FOR WEEK COMMENCING May 8 2011.

WIA CLUB GRANT 2010 AWARDED TO REAST IN VK7

Soldering is easy - the comic book

WIA JOHN MOYLE CONTEST - EXCELLENT RESULT FOR SUMMERLAND CLUB IN NORTHERN VK2

Time ticking for ILLW

ALL THESE STORIES UP AND COMING IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING MAY 08 2011.

Rescue operation launched for stranded tourist.

A man believed to be travelling through the Pilbara in a campervan appears "stuck" and Karratha Emergency services have launched a search and rescue operation. The Swiss tourist activated an emergency beacon in Western Australia's remote Pilbara.

The Search and Rescue Co-ordination Centre in Canberra sent a plane from Perth to drop off a radio to the man who is believed to be stranded on the Talawana Track, 1,000 kilometres east of Karratha.

It is believed the man is travelling in a campervan from Perth to Cairns.

ON THE BUSES

The Australian Capital Territory Government has committed $4.5 million in funding to upgrade the ACTION bus radio network as part of this year's budget.

The government's overhaul of the radio system comes after years of complaints from the Transport Workers Union that the failures of the radio systems on the buses threatened to compromise driver security.

ZDNet Australia asked for detail on the proposed overhaul of the radio network, but no comment had been received at the time of writing.

Worth a follow-up read on zdnet next time you surf the web!

HISSY FIT

Snakes have a face only a mother could love, but that hasn't stopped PhD student Melissa Bruton, from the University of Queensland's School of Geography, Planning and Environmental Management from getting up close and personal.

Melissa was recently awarded a grant by the Wildlife Preservation Society of Queensland to support her research into reptiles in the southern Brigalow Belt region of Queensland and New South Wales.

Melissa has a particular interest in the elusive woma python.

To do this, She be implanting radio-transmitters into the body cavity of several larger pythons and radio-tracking them for one year each.

After finishing just one summer of trapping Ms Bruton already has 8 woma pythons to study.

The tracked womas are quite mobile but early indications are that they return to preferred burrow sites. Each woma will be tracked every second day for a minimum of 12 months so we will know a lot more about these elusive pythons in 12 months' time.

UQNEWS

LIGHTS CAMERAS ACTION

Frank Fenner documentary has filming in VK5.

Kojo Productions' documentary, that pays tribute to late scientist, Frank Fenner, is filming in iconic Adelaide locations this week with an all South Australian cast.

Spanning Frank's groundbreaking work on malaria in World War II, through charting the course of myxomatosis in Australia's feral rabbits, to his vital role in eliminating smallpox, the film is being directed by award winning Richard Jasek, best known for his work on TV's McLeod's Daughters and City Homicide.

Monday 9th May - Tuesday 10th May the filming is set to take place across multiple locations - Cummins House, Botanic Gardens, and Semaphore Beach

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Radio and Electronics Association of Southern Tasmania Inc, 2010 Club Grants Success!

Last week the club grants for 2010 were announced after some extended deliberation by the WIA Board.

REAST Inc. was successful in a grant of $1000 toward scholarships to cover the training, licence fee and membership of REAST and the WIA.

(73, Tony, VK7VKT, Secretary REAST)

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news

Oxley Region Amateur Radio Club 36th Annual Field Day 11 12 June 2011
Fox hunts, Trash and Treasure, Trade Displays and fellowship

36th Annual Field day which will encompass the celebration of 40 years of
the clubs operation.

Note the new venue, Tacking Point Lifesaving Club Hall Matthew Flinders Drive
Port Macquarie.

The special callsign VI40BOR will operate from the 1/6/2011 to the 30/10/2011.
QSL cards will be issued featuring the commemorative callsign.

STANDARD EXAM COURSE LISMORE- 14-15, 21-22 May

Anyone wanting to do or upgrade to Standard Call contact Duncan VK2DLR

draymont@bigpond.com

Let him know of your interest and get more info from him.

VK4 QNEWS

DID YOU TELL ANYONE ABOUT AMATEUR RADIO THIS WEEK?

NO NOT ONE VK4 CLUB DID THIS WEEK!!

Welcome to QNews from VK4WIA. I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP, and I've been thinking.

A major human characteristic is the need for certainty. We always want to know
that what we know is real and lasting. It has been said of war that it is the
victors that write the history. From that perspective there is the knowledge
that what we believe is true and unchangeable.

When it comes to looking over our history, we find that we have heroes who have
characteristics that make them superior to the rest of us. Sometimes, when we
are lucky to hear the story from people who were there we find that some of
these heroes are quirky, different and even unlike able as individuals.
It is the symbolism that these people and their actions embody that is the
enduring truth we seek.

What I believe is that we need to be honest in our activities and any attempts
at "gilding the lily" are to be carefully avoided. If some-one does excel, in
our mind, we should applaud those things that stand out and faithfully record
the facts. Some of the greatest people, in history, have been eccentric enough
that you and I wouldn't even make them Facebook friends. However their
achievements last and their names linger.

Thinking over the battles played on grass, cricket and football for instance, and the battles fought to the death, there have been people who try and make all these events heroic and mythic. Surely the facts should stand by themselves, real and unadorned.

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think....how about you?

VK7
local area news :- http://reast.asn.au/news.php
vk7 local news, email vk7regionalnews-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

Introduction to Geocaching

REAST intend to run an introduction to Geocaching for anyone interested, Today Mothers day Sunday 8 May from 2-4pm at the Queen's Domain clubrooms.

Do you have a GPS or a smart phone that has a GPS and wondered what you can do with it? Well Geocaching or world-wide treasure hunting using your GPS may interest you.

REAST will have some presentations to explain the basics then will actually go and find a few caches around the Queen's Domain.

www.geocaching.com.au

(73, Justin, VK7TW)

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART and the WW sources of the WIA.

Don't worry, it's not a terror alarm - it was just the annual test of the Danish nationwide siren warning system

Following the death of Osama bin Laden, terror threat levels have increased significantly. But those in Copenhagen that heard those loud sirens Wednesday at noon, need not have worried it was a TEST alarm warning of impending danger, ON TEST.

Emergency Management Agency and the police conducted its annual test of the nationwide siren warning system in an effort to familiarise citizens with the warning signals.

Some 1,078 electronic warning sirens have been set up on top of buildings and on masts throughout the country. With the current system, around 80 percent of the Danish population can be warned of threats with the stationary sirens.

The remaining 20 percent can be warned with mobile sirens placed on police vehicles.

The sirens are tested every night, but at a frequency that cannot be heard. Once a year - the first Wednesday of May - they are tested with the full sound on... let's hope our Princess Mary had the twins bedroom window shut!

SPY V SPY

Last Wednesday week in 'Philly' The New Mellow Edwards performed at International House, on Chestnut St.

What has this USA jazz Muso got to do with us?

Well we have all dialled around the short-wave band and no doubt have heard that female voice reciting a string of five-digit numbers (in several languages). These strange broadcasts most likely are covert messages transmitted to spies, or criminals, or ... someone, who knows the death of Geronimo may also have been sent this way!

The 'numbers' held a fascination for off-kilter trombonist/composer Curtis Hasselbring, it should come as no surprise they inspired a new suite of music.

He performed the piece, which requires the musicians to decode and work with five-digit numbers, with a stellar, expanded septet version of his New Mellow Edwards ensemble.

http://curha.com/NumberStations.html

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA
HAM RADIO OPERATOR ONE OF NINE AMERICANS MURDERED IN KABUL

Some sad news to report. Word that James McLaughlin, WA2EWE who also held the call T6AF, was one of the nine Americans that lost their lives in a shooting at Kabul airport on Wednesday, April 27th. According to Voice of America reporter and fellow amateur Steve Herman, W7VOA/T6AD, all were killed when an Afghan military pilot opened fire in an operations room of the Afghan Air Corps.

Reporting from Seoul, Korea, where he is chief of the Voice of America bureau, Herman said McLaughlin, who was also his friend as well as being a career U.S. military officer working as a contractor training Afghan pilots.

According to Steve Herman, he first met Jim McLaughlinin August, 2009, when they were the only two radio amateurs operating from Kabul. Herman said that McLaughlin had put together a fine radio shack in his quarters. He said that it was obvious from spending time with McLaughlin that ham radio was an important morale booster and pastime. As such, T6AF usually spent a couple of hours a day on the air.

So far this April, fourteen Americans have been killed by members of the Afghan military. An Afghan officer on the compound identified the shooter of McLaughlin and the others as one Ahmad Gul.

According to Steve Herman, this attack was the worst single episode of an Afghan turning against his coalition partners.

RSGB DECIDES NOT TO LIVE STREAM ITS AGM THIS YEAR

The Radio Society of Great Britain's Annual General Meeting Saturday, May 14th will not be streamed live to the Internet this year.

For the past several years the British Amateur Television Club and the RSGB have cooperated in making this event available world-wide. But an RSGB statement published on the British Amateur Television Club's website, the organization says that while the club has once again offered to do it again this year that the RSGB has decided to decline.

While no specific reason was given for the sudden cancellation there's speculation that it has something to do with the recent resignation of the Society's former General Manager Peter Kirby who the RSGB's says left its employ after the discovery of what national society termed as financial irregularities on his part.

The statement goes on to say that RSGB has considered its position and has reluctantly reached the decision that this year it would not be prudent to go ahead with live streaming.

In its own statement, the British Amateur Television Club says that it has accepted the Society's position on this but hopes to be able to offer the Society the facility again in 2012.

More is on-line at batc.tv

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WEIRD AND WONDERFUL

SHOWER POWER SOAP OPERAS

The world's first shower powered radio comes from UK based Tango Group the same group that commercialised the award-winning Wind-Up Radio.

This radio is powered entirely by your shower water.

The H20 brand, has a patented a micro turbine concept through the motion of water flowing through a little turbine.

The convenient and energy-efficient shower powered radio, means users can listen to their favourite radio stations while in the shower.

The radio, and is even more convenient since it is recharged as the shower runs, dispelling the need for disposable batteries.

The radio even allows users to carry on listening after the shower is turned off; using any excess energy stored in an integral Ni-Mh rechargeable cell.

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2011

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March 17-18 VK JOHN MOYLE MEMORIAL FIELD DAY

JOHN MOYLE CONTEST - EXCELLENT RESULT FOR SUMMERLAND CLUB IN NORTHERN VK2

24 Hour Portable Operation - Multiple Operator
VK2SRC - All Mode, All Band, with a score of 9094 points,
three times the next competitor. This means they have also won the
WIA President's Cup for 2011.

24 Hour Portable Operation - Single Operator
VK3MV - all mode, HF, with a score of 410 points. Peter also
operated only on QRP with a max power of 5W. Congratulations!

Six Hour Portable Operation - Multiple Operator
VK4WIL - All Mode, HF Bands, a score of 84 points.

Six Hour Portable Operation - Single Operator
VK3VFO - phone Only, VHF Bands, with 561 points.

Home Station - 24 Hour
VK7NET - Home Station with a score of 708 points.

Home Station - 6 Hour
VK2KDP - Home Station with 305 points.

As I said, the WIA President's Cup was awarded to VK2SRC for the highest score
by a WIA affiliated club Station in any category.

For more details go to - http://www.wia.org.au and check out the members area
which currently will be open for members and non members alike.

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

GB0BON June 19th to celebrate the 366th anniversary of the Battle of Naseby,
the decisive battle of the English civil war June 1645 in the small hamlet
of Naseby in Leicestershire.

(Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society)

The Hellenic Amateur Radio Association of Australia Inc is organising another
major DXpedition.

This time heading out to Lord Howe Island with the call sign VK9HR.

The dates are the 24th July to 2nd August 2011

Operators, particularly CW, SSB or digital mode operators are required however
Catherine VK2FEME says " we will welcome all that are interested."

The cost is $1950.00 which includes airfares and taxes to and from Lord Howe
Island, departing from Sydney, plus 10 nights accommodation.

2 resorts have been for this DXpedition and will be operating 160 - 6 meters
between the two sites.

All equipment will be supplied with some of the latest equipment being a
Kenwood TS590S, Icom 7000 and also the latest SPE amplifiers, Step IR antennas
etc.

Please check our recently updated website www.vk9hr.com for more information.

The VK9HR DXpedition team leader is Tommy Horozakis VK2IR and co-leader John Chalkiarakis VK3YP.

Please contact team leader - Tommy Horozakis VK2IR if you have enquiries on 0413 005 511 or email president@haraoa.com, or co-leader John Chalkiarakis VK3YP on treasurer@haraoa.com

(Catherine Stokes, VK2FEME Secretary HARAOA.)

Further In DX, PD9DX, ON8AK and ON5UR will be active as OJ0UR from Market Reef between August 13th and the 20th.

Their operation will be on the HF bands using a Vertical and a 2 element beam.

QSL via M0URX, direct, via the bureau, or electronically using Logbook of the World.

BROADCAST MONITORING SWL AND SCANNER NEWS
http://spench.net/drupal/software/rfmap)AUSTRALIAN GEOGRAPHICAL RF MAP)
http://www.scanaustralia.bigpondhosting.com
http://mt-shortwave.blogspot.com/
HTTP://www.ei7dar.com/hf.html
www.tinyurl.com/BITS-026 (A receiver located in NY USA)
http://wb4mak.com/ (Atlanta 80/40/20 Web SDR Receiver)

Radio Netherlands Worldwide management has confirmed the purchase of three 500 kW short-wave transmitters from the recently-closed short-wave site at H�rby in Sweden. The transmitters are currently being dismantled for shipment to RNW's station in Madagascar.

Recently, RNW management announced that it intended to speed up the process of replacing short-wave with other distribution platforms, including the closure of its relay stations in Bonaire and Madagascar. The Bonaire facility is scheduled for closure at the end of October 2012, but no closure date has yet been decided for Madagascar.

However, late last year RNW decided it was time to replace the nearly 40-year-old Philips transmitters at Madagascar. Rather than invest in new transmitters, the opportunity was taken to purchase the three ABB transmitters from the Swedish station at H�rby which was closed at the end of last year.

These were installed in 1993.

THE QNEWS WORK BENCH - the nuts and volts report -
(Measure twice - Cut once!)

MAKING LEDS THE ALL PURPOSE ROOM LIGHT

New technology may make Light Emitting Diodes practical For everyday home and even ham shack AS Jim Damron, N8TMW, says.

Researchers at the University of California, Santa Barbara, say they've figured out the cause of a problem that's made

light-emitting diodes impractical for general lighting purposes.

Chris Van de Walle is a professor in the Materials
Department at the University of California at Santa Barbara.
He heads the research group that carried out the work. They
investigated a phenomenon referred to as the drop in
efficiency that occurs in these LEDs when they're operating
at the high powers required to illuminate a room. The cause
of this decline has been the subject of considerable debate,
but the U-C Santa Barbara researchers say they've figured
out the mechanism responsible for the effect by performing
quantum-mechanical calculations.

Van de Walle says that identifying the root cause of the
problem was an indispensable first step toward devising solutions.

(ARNEWSLINE)

MEDIA WATCH
www.cq-amateur-radio.com/WorldRadio.html
VK Club Bulletins http://groups.yahoo.com/group/aarnie/

World Amateur Radio Day on prime-time TV

World Amateur Radio Day took place on April 18 and was featured on
German regional broadcasters WDR, NDR and HR who covered the day
in TV news reports. Viewers saw 3 minute TV spots on radio amateurs
in Bonn, Flensburg, Kassel and in a mountain hut near Wetzlar.

As a result of the TV coverage over half a million people throughout
Germany got an insight into the hobby.

HR TV Video (in German)
http://tinyurl.com/hr-Beitrag

NDR TV Video
www.ndr.de/fernsehen/sendungen/s-h_magazin/media/shmag9155.html

WDR Bonn TV Video
www.wdr.de/mediathek/html/regional/rueckschau/lokalzeit_bonn.xml

The theme for World Amateur Radio Day this year was
'Amateur Radio: The first technology-based social network',

(sourced to Southgate news)

Soldering is easy - the comic book

This comic book aims to encourage more people to get soldering.

The description of the comic says:
Soldering is easy, and with this comic we hope to show just how easy.

Please use this to learn how to solder, to teach others, or as material
for workshops and hackerspaces!

The PDF can be downloaded from Andie Nordgren's website.

http://log.andie.se/post/4529161438/soldering-is-easy-the-comic-book

(sourced to Southgate news)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- CW
FISTS Club - East Asia www.feacw.net
FISTS Club - Australasia www.fistsdownunder.org
FISTS Club - UK & Europe www.fists.co.uk
FISTS Club - Americas www.fists.org

THE 7TH HST CHAMPIONSHIP CUP OF NATIONS

The 7th International High Speed Telegraphy championship Cup
of Nations will take place in Mogilev, Belarus from July 7th
to the 11th.

This is a traditional event and at airtime planners report that
several top high speed telegraphy teams have already confirmed
their participation.

For more information on this event please contact v e-mail
andrew_eu7ki@hotmail.com

(Southgate)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP --- POLICE
http://www.iparc.nl

THE INTERNATIONAL POLICE ASSOCIATION HG15IPA

On the air, keep an ear open for Hungarian special event
station HG15IPA to be active through December 31st to
celebrate the 15th anniversary jubilee callsign of the
International Police Association.

The "police" station is expected to be on 160 through 10 meters
using CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK31 and SSTV.

For more information please visit www.qrz.com/db/hg3ipa

QSL via HA3JB.

REWIND

A story worth a read is in last Tuesday ,3 May's Yorkshire post.

Instead of floating in space, much of the information super highway is actually
under water.

You might be surprised to know that this global communications system surfaces
in the UK near a small village on the Yorkshire coast.

If you think the internet is largely dependent on satellites circling thousands
of miles above the earth, think again.

The global communications system relies on old submarine cable routes that date from the 1800s.

Two hundred and fifty submarine cable systems provide the backbone for most of today's communications systems.

Another 19 are due to come online this year.

Less than five per cent of our hi-tech communications network is done via satellite, with fibre accounting for most of the rest.

The 19th century version of the information super highway would have struggled to keep up. The first transatlantic cable transmission in 1858 was a 98-word message from Queen Victoria of the UK to President Buchanan of the US which took 16 hours to transmit.

Fifteen years later, the first commercial transatlantic cable message was sent. It cost the princely sum of £20 for 20 words, which is roughly the equivalent of £900 today.

By 1870, information could be transmitted at around 10 words per minute.

Fans of Tolstoy should note that it would have taken 37 days to send over one copy of War & Peace.

Today, of-course information moves at lightning pace. Messages can be sent with the click of a mouse.

it is estimated that there are between 100 and 150 cable faults around the world each year.

Nearly half of these faults are due to fishing, although earthquakes can also cause damage and disruption.

Some things haven't changed in the last 150 years.

The method of recovering faulty cables has remained the same.

They are retrieved using a grappling hook on the end of up to five miles of rope. The rope is more expensive than the cables it helps to recover.

So the next time you log on, pray that a shark with a power complex isn't nibbling away at a cable in the deep.

www.yorkshirepost.co.uk/business/business-news/the_super_highway_underneath_the_sea_1_3341643

SOCIAL SCENE

2011

May 7 VK3 Moorabbin and District Amateur Radio club Hamfest
Brentwood Secondary College, Glen Waverley vk3gl@bigpond.com

May 7 VK4 Brisbane Amateur Radio Club's BarcFest, Mt. Gravatt Show grounds, 1600 Logan Road, Upper Mt. Gravatt 9:30AM
email vk4so@wia.org.au

May 27-29 WIA AGM Weekend in Darwin
secretary@wia.org.au

Jun 10 - 12 VK4 Far North and North Queensland Amateur Radio Gathering at
King Reef Resort Kurrimine Beach.

Jun 11 - 12 VK2 Oxley Region Amateur Radio Club annual Field Day

Jul 16 VK3 Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club Hamfest
Cranbourne Community Hall 10am (secretary@ggrec.org.au)

Jul 16 VK4 Maryborough Electronics and Radio Group "Wide Bay Hamfest"
West Scout Hall, Ariadne St, Maryborough 8:30am.
secretary@merg.org.au

Jul 31 VK2/3 Riverina Field Day 10am at Lavington Scout Group Hall.

Aug 7 VK2 Lismore region - SARCFEST

Aug 20-21 WW

Time ticking for ILLW

With three months to go 29, including Lebanon for the first ever time, are
the countries recorded so far for the International Lighthouse and
Lightship Weekend.

Right there at the beginning in 1998 was Germany, growing in the fun event
to 60 last year just pipping Australia at the post, followed by the USA
and England.

The late Mike Dalrymple GM4SUC supported it until his death in 2005. His
ashes have been since spread near the Turnberry Lighthouse. The Ayr Radio
Group has continued its ties with the annual event.

More than half of the registrations are to be made. Arch rivals Germany
and Australia are on 30 each. Many or rarely activated lighthouses are
still available.

Check out the website illw.net for the rules and an on-line facility to
register a lighthouse or lightship for the weekend of 20th and 21st of
August.

Sep 11 VK3 SADARC Comms Day at St Augustine's Hall Shepparton 10am.

Sep 16-18 VK4 NQ Amateur Radio Convention Date Set Townsville

Sep 23-28 R3 Region 3 ARDF Championship Bendigo VK3
http://r3.ardf.org.au/

Sep 30-Oct 2 VK4 Central Highlands Amateur Radio Club AGM at Camp Fairbairn
CONTACT Secretary Gordon, (vk4kal@wia.org.au)

Nov 20 vk5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society Hamfest
Goodwood Community Centre, Rosa St Goodwood at 0930.
Visit www.ahars.com.au for contact details

2012

15TH IARU REGION 3 CONFERENCE hosted by V.A.R.C. in Ho-Chi-Minh City, Vietnam.

JAN 23-FEB 17 YEAR 2012
World Radio Conference WRC-11 Geneva 23rd January TO 17th February 2012

MAY 3-18 2012 VK5
YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

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Vk1wia-news mailing list
Vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
http://lists.wia.org.au/mailman/listinfo/vk1wia-news

450. ARRL Changes Insurance Plan Administrators

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-06 05:53:55 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20110505221815.6C00D26F1E4@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 4490
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Effective May 1st, the ARRL has changed program administrators and insurance companies for its ARRL-sponsored Equipment Insurance and Club Liability insurance plans. The League has signed an agreement with Hays Affinity Group <http://arrlinsurance.com/> to serve as the program administrator to provide equipment insurance to its members who choose to elect coverage. In addition, Hays will also provide club liability insurance to ARRL Affiliated Clubs for those clubs that wish to take advantage of that program. Hays will be replacing Marsh Affinity Group Services as the program's administrator and will be introducing new policies for both plans, underwritten by the Hanover Insurance Company.

Members who are currently insured under the old plans are likely to receive a notice from Marsh, announcing the change. Be assured, if you currently have equipment or club liability insurance provided through Marsh Affinity Group, your coverage will continue through the end of the current policy term. But keep in mind that when your policy expires, your coverage will not automatically be switched over to Hays. In addition, beginning May 1, the ARRL will no longer be able to help you resolve any issues you may have with Marsh, the insurance company or their claims paying agent. Our contractual agreement with them has been terminated.

If you wish to enroll in the new insurance plans, you must do so with the Hays Affinity Group. You can sign up online <http://arrlinsurance.com/> and even schedule your radio equipment online, too. With Hays Affinity Group, you can have all your radio equipment covered, even the computers, hard drives and printers in your shack. There are several provisions in the new equipment insurance plan that we believe are improvements over the old plan. Coverage for towers and antennas is now up to $15,000 of replacement cost, 50% more than the old policy. In addition, any newly acquired equipment during the policy term, up to a value of $2,000, will be covered until your next policy renewal (you must notify Hays within 60 days of acquisition). The low deductibles on the policy have also been retained. There is a $50 deductible for replacements and $25 for repairs. The coverage is as comprehensive as the old plan including fire, theft, lightning, wind and flood damage to your equipment. The new premium is $1.40 for every $100 of replacement value insured. This is slightly less than in the past.

The Club Liability insurance plan now provides the same general liability insurance for most clubs for only $200 per year (add $100 per year if the club wants to include non-owned or leased auto liability coverage). The standard limit for the policy is $1,000,000 per occurrence ($2 million in the aggregate) but if your club needs a higher

limit, you can call the Hays Affinity Group for a quote.

To have your equipment covered under the new policy, you will have to enroll with Hays to continue coverage under an ARRL-sponsored plan. If you wish to switch to either of the new insurance policies now, you can either cancel your policy with Marsh and sign up with Hays, or wait until your policy with Marsh is due for renewal and then sign up with Hays for coverage. If you choose to cancel with Marsh before renewal, you will receive a pro-rated refund of any unused premium fees you have paid. For more information you can contact the Hays Affinity Group at:

Hays Affinity Group
Attn: ARRL Insurance Program
1400 Renaissance Drive, Suite 300
Park Ridge, IL 60068

Phone: (866) 819-0209

E-mail: ARRL@hayscompanies.com.

The ARRL has been providing opportunities for equipment insurance to its members for more than 25 years. We believe that the programs administered by Hays will offer ARRL members the coverage they need and excellent customer service.

73,

Barry J. Shelley, N1VXY

Chief Financial Officer

ARRL, Inc.

451. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1760 - May 6 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-06 12:31:47 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20110506123137.3781914B8D@panix1.panix.com>
Source record: 4491
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1760 - May 6 2011

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1760 with a release date of
Friday, May 6, 2011 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Ham radio respond as killer tornadoes rip
the south-east and take a big toll in Alabama; the National Association
of Broadcasters says that no broadband spectrum crisis exists, the
Anchorage V-E-C suggests rules changes that could lead to a lifetime US
ham license and human movement might be the thing that replaces
batteries in the not to distant future. Find out the details are on
Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1760 coming your way right
now.

(Billboard Cart Here)

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RESCUE RADIO: HAMS BECOME FIRST RESPONDERS AS TORNADOES RAVAGE THE
SOUTH AND EAST

Ham radio operators became the first responders on April 27th and 28th.
This as tornadoes and other severe weather took aim at parts of the
South and East. Amateur Radio Newsline's David Black, KB4KCH, is in
Birmingham, Alabama, where he literally lived through the ordeal:

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Days in advance, forecasters had warned about April 27th. They said it
would be a dangerous day for Alabama. What no one knew at the time was
how dangerous. That afternoon would mark the largest tornado outbreak
and third deadliest in U-S history. More than 300 confirmed tornadoes
plow through 14 states during a three day period ending April 28th.
The death toll is estimated at more than 300.

In Alabama, massive supercell storms plow through the state's warm,
unstable air, spinning a series of deadly, long track tornado es.
The state is hit hard--28 confirmed twisters, 250 dead statewide, with
damage across the northern two thirds of the state. Thousands are left
injured or homeless.

The National Weather Service says at least eleven of Alabama's
tornadoes measured EF3 or greater. A single EF4 tornado--at times up
to 1.5 miles wide with winds estimated to have approached 200 miles an
hour--plows through Tuscaloosa and Birmingham. The massive twister
stays on the ground 80 miles, tearing up homes, businesses and lives

all the way.

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W4MD: "I saw people getting out from under pieces of plywood. The first person I saw was a person with blood all over their face (and) dripping of their chin. I started collecting the walking wounded and putting them into a thrift store."

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David Drummond, W4MD, is Alabama's ARRL Section Manager. He was at ground zero as the killer storm began destroying Tuscaloosa, producing horrific scenes he and many others will never forget:

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W4MD: " We were covering up the dead. The place where I stopped there was a family who lived across the street and who heard the sirens who went across from where they were living to a house with a basement and when the tornado came it picked up the house that they had left, moved it across the street; set it on the other house and killed them all. And we actually put four adults and one child in a body bag"

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Everywhere Drummond looks is destroyed. Among the victims are five students at the University of Alabama which cancels graduation. The hams trying to help Tuscaloosa's walking wounded suddenly face major communications challenges: Three repeaters being used heavily for emergency messages all go down.

Police, fire and EMA communications are also knocked out. Drummond and fellow hams have only one option: To use simplex communications.

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W4MD: "Everything was gone. At that point, that was it. It was deathly quiet and there was nobody. There was no other communications of any kind, period.

"There are still many dead and unaccounted for. We ran out of body bags.

"There's more in the morgues and a lot of them hadn't been identified. There's people in lakes and there's still a lot of(people) unaccounted for."

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For five hours after the tornado hit, Drummond says hams provided critical communications:

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W4MD: "It was slow developing for support from emergency services because it was to massive. We (ham radio operators) provided much of the communications in the beginning because there wasn't any. The Emergency Communications Center was destroyed which included the EMA which took that mechanism down. That (tornado) also destroyed the adjacent police department's communications system and part of their building which put that in disarray. It also destroyed the Red Cross building which severely interrupted their response."

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By the time the massive storm roars across I-65 just north of downtown Birmingham, it has killed at least 65 people, and injured 1,000 more, becoming the deadliest in Alabama history. Two days after the storms hit, President Obama walks through a storm-ravaged Tuscaloosa neighborhood where dusk-to-dawn curfews were in effect, and calls it beyond anything he had ever seen.

It's also beyond anything most emergency communications-minded amateur radio operators had ever imagined possible. Greg Sarratt, W4OZK, is the ARRL's Southeastern Division Director.

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W4OZK" "This scale is unprecedented and amateur radio is stepping up in a very big way. I'm proud of all the hams who are providing support"

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In north Alabama, a tornado stays on the ground 132 miles, narrowly missing downtown Huntsville and leaving at least 26 dead. Power is knocked out over so much of north Alabama, that motorists entering the state from Tennessee are warned to make sure they have gas in their cars.

Division Director Sarratt says Alabama hams have mobilized in large numbers to help a variety of agencies with communications support:

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W4OZK: "Hams have been on multiple bands from HF to 2 meters D-Star. Also a lot of 440 work providing local communications; providing regional communications; and state-wide communications for EMA, the National Weather Service. The Red Cross, the Salvation Army, Southern Baptist (Relief) and other relief type organizations."

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Scores of outlying communities are devastated, as well. In the small northwest Alabama town of Hackleburg--which lost 29 people--hardly anything remains. A tornado rated as EF-5 roars through Hackleburg, lifting a truck and dropping it back down four miles away. In the nearby town of Phil Campbell, at least 51 die.

100 miles southeast of Birmingham, a tornado slams into Dadeville at night. The storm picks up weights including a 70 pound dumbbell, throwing it about 200 yards. Volunteer firefighter Danny Lloyd, KB4MDD, walks through the debris of a devastated neighborhood to see if anyone needs help. He's not sure, but thinks he hears people calling for him in the darkness:
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KB4MDD: "I sort of ignored them in the beginning because I did not know that they were calling for me. Then they said something again and I called out my name and it was my cousins husband and he said that `.we have someone hurt over here..'

"I went over and spent some time with an elderly lady who would ultimately expire due to her injuries. The storm made it impossible (to get more aid). She had a broken leg but it was just impossible to get her out. I mean it was not possible. All the roads were blocked.

"They were talking to me and I could see thyem but it took me five minutes or more just to climb through the (downed) trees to where they were at and her house was just gone. It was exploded."

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While trying to help the woman, Lloyd hears tornado sirens; another warning has been issued.

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KB4MDD: "I thought okay, here we go again. Of coarse we had a downpour and I found a coat laying on the ground and I was able to cover here. And she talked to me for a very long time as I stayed there with her and held her hand.

"It was a very tough ordeal as volunteer firefighter and a first responder, generally when I'm on the scene I have an ambulance crew that's coming up within seconds. They load up a patient and have them to the hospital. And this lady was within a 5-minute drive of a hospital.

"If it had been normal, you would have been at the St. Martin Hospital within 5 minutes. And the heart-breaking thing is that we could not move her without fear that of injuries and that we were going to make matters worse. And the second thing is that we had no way (to transport her). We had no back-board, no gurney to even try to load up to even try to start going somewhere in the midst of all that mess.

"Its very sad. I understand that she was 70 years old."

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BREAK 1

More with David Black, KB4KCH, in a moment. But first its time to identify. From Los Angeles, This is the Amateur Radio Newsline.

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The gruesome scenes are visible statewide. Personal items including papers and even suitcases were discovered 50 to 100 miles away from where storms hit. Trees had their bark completely removed. The ARRL ships amateur radio equipment to the state to help with emergency communications needs. Scores of relief efforts launch, with FEMA and numerous local, state and federal agencies responding.

Despite the tragically high number of fatalities, authorities believe technology kept the toll from being even worse, since so many people were able to see the storms live and the damage they were causing. Hundreds of pictures and videos are captured by residents. Tower-mounted cameras operated by government agencies and broadcasters also capture the storms.

Two men do something credited with helping save countless lives: They transmit live video of the massive tornado moments before it slams into Tuscaloosa. One of them is retired television meteorologist and storm chaser John Oldshue, KE4LMU.

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KE4LMU: "My desire has always been to get the video live so that it could be transmitted and people could get a sense of the urgency of what was approaching them."

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The video Oldshue and Ben Greer send from the field is seen live by hundreds of thousands of people watching Birmingham's ABC television affiliate. Chief Meteorologist James Spann, WO4W, warns viewers to take cover while tornadoes are on the ground in different areas at the same time:

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WO4W: "John Oldshue has a large wedge tornado that is now near Interstate 59 at the Knoxville exit and this is moving in the general direction of Tuscaloosa and Northport. So we are now calling a tornado emergency."

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Some of amateur radio's newest technology gets a trial by fire. Alabama is home to a statewide D-Star communications network. The system had never been put through such a rigorous test--until April 27th. Section Manager David Drummond :

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W4MD: "This is the first real emergency test of D-Star. So as this (weather) came through all we had to do was go back and straighten up a few antennas, reboot some equipment and we were good to go. It's a

great tool. A great tool for that."

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Many Alabama hams suffered losses themselves, but Division Director Greg Sarratt says they're still helping out:

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W4OZK: "Hams that have some damage; some of them total damage and for some not so bad. In both cases I guess they know that there is nothing that they can do to repair or fix their house at this time so they are supporting amateur radio. They are going to a Red Cross Center or a Red Cross Shelter to provide communications. Theres noything they can do at home to repair right now."

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The storms may also mean a big change about Tornado Alley...that's the corridor associated with the central plains and long thought to be where the most deadly storms strike. Alabama had been ranked 3rd in the number of tornado deaths, but that was until April 27th; the state now has a new grim honor: number one.

For now, it's the grim sights so many hams like David Drummond have to deal with:

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W4MD: "I had a woman come up to me screaming that the storm had blown her son away. I said to calm down and asked what did he look like? She told me that he had on cowboy boots, a pair of shorts and no shirt.

"I said, well you are in luck. He just came by here a few minutes ago to tell me that there was an elderly woman trapped in a basement in a church. He let a cigarette lighter so that she could see and went that way. Three minutes later I had to ask her to quit hugging me. She was so glad to know thyat her son was still alive.

"Another situation not quite as nice was shortly after this: I mean before bthe dust settled I had an unknown female come up to me and say that `.my parents were in a house right over there. The storm has blown them away.' And there was no house. There was no nothing. What do you tell somebody?

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OFF AIR AUDIO: "WC4Q from KA9Q at the Tuscaloosa EOC. Go ahead.

"This is WC4Q. Please pass to Marsha or your Red Cross rep.

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The emergency may be over, but not the need for communications help. Hams all across Alabama remain busy helping on the air, as well as with

many other needs. Weather experts say the reason so many died was due to the size and path of the tornadoes. In many cases, they acknowledge, someone trying to seek shelter would not have been able to survive. Danny Lloyd:

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KB4MDD: "There was just not safe place to be. In some homes in that kind of tornado, theres just not a safe place and I think we saw that all across Alabama. There just was not a safe place to be in the path of some of these storms unless you were underground in a shelter."

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For radio amateurs active in emergency communications, the April 27th tornado outbreak hits with a shocking reality. Even though many believed they had a solid emergency preparedness plan in place, what happened that violent spring day convinces them: It's time to re-write the book.

>From the Southeast Bureau in Birmingham Alabama, I'm David Black, KB4KCH, for the Amateur Radio Newsline.

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There are some in ham radio who say that amateur operators have no place in being the first to respond to a major disaster. They question why some hams put their lives on the line for their communities. Well don't ask that to the people of Tuscaloosa, Alabama, or other South Eastern cities hit by these tornadoes and storms. They know well that the hams will be first on the scene and there to save lives, when all else fails. (KB4KCH, ARNewsline(tm))

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TORNADO DAMAGE: SEVERE WEATHER CANCELS SVHFS CONFERENCE

And the storms that hit Alabama also forced the last minute cancellation of the 2011 Southeastern VHF Society Conference that was to have been held in Huntsville, Alabama, on April 29th and 30th. According to a bulletin issued by conference planners, the mayor of Huntsville directed that all events thru the weekend be cancelled. He was also instituting a dusk to dawn curfew that was scheduled to last several days.

At the time of the press release, the Huntsville Airport was closed and the conference hotel was without power after the Tennessee Valley Authority lost towers on a 500 KV main tie line.

The conference planning committee will make a determination regarding the rescheduling of the conference to a future date. Any information regarding the rescheduling of the conference will be posted on this website at www.svhfs.org. (K4CSO)

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RADIO LAW: NAB STUDY SAYS NO SPECTRUM CRUNCH EXISTS

The National Association of Broadcasters has released a study arguing that there is no spectrum crisis. According to NAB, the research shows that insufficient analysis and reliance on faulty information in the formation of the FCC's National Broadband Plan has led to the overstated assumption of a nationwide spectrum shortage for future broadband expansion. NAB says that this is not the case,

The White House, the FCC and numerous in the wireless industry have cited a spectrum crisis as a justification for policies that would reallocate TV airwaves for mobile broadband use. But broadcasters have said that there is no way that they will willingly relinquish even a single hertz of spectrum to broadband. .

The report authored by a former FCC aide was released the week of April 26th. It come on the heels of the NAB's recent statement reported here last week that the broadcast lobby group is in full battle mode to stop the reframing of broadcast spectrum to broadband providers. (RW)

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INTRUDER WATCH: RUSSIAN VOCODER RETURNS TO 15 METERS

The Russian vocoder system known as Yakhta has appeared again on the 15 meter band. Its been heard and logged by an IARU Region 1 monitoring station on 21 dot 001 dot 5 kHz. Its running F1B in band key-synchronized at 100 baud s and 150 Hz shift. The F1B has been active daily and at times encrypted voice transmissions have also been heard.

The German Department of Post and Telecommunications has filed another complaint about the system. The first was made back in 2010 when it was active from the same location and on the same frequency. (IARUMS - Region 1)

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BREAK 2

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the W6RHC repeater serving Chico, California.

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RADIO LAW: ANCHORAGE VEC FILES PETITION FOR LIFETIME EXAM CREDIT

The Anchorage Volunteer Examiner Coordinator has asked the FCC to grant permanent credit to radio amateurs for examination elements they have successfully passed anytime in the past. This would, in effect, create a license exam credit that would be valid throughout an amateurs'

lifetime, never expiring. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, is here with the details:

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Currently, Amateur Radio licenses are good for 10 years. Hams may renew their license not more than 90 days before it is set to expire. If a ham fails to renew their license before it expires, but less than two years after it expires they can reapply for their license and call sign without having to retake any examination for the license. Under the current rules, hams may not apply to renew the license after the two year grace period. Instead, they must start all over and take new examinations to receive an Amateur Radio license.

In its Petition, the Anchorage VEC asks the rhetorical question if the passage of time somehow invalidates a person's knowledge? It then states that it believes this to not be the case.

The Anchorage petition then states the groups belief that any applicants who can demonstrate that they have passed certain elements at some previous date or who have held a license grant for a particular class of license on or before various applicable dates, should not have to be re-examined on those elements before a new license can be granted. The Anchorage VEC also believes that if a person can show proof of having held a license grant for a specific class of license, they have in fact demonstrated that they have earned credit for having passed the elements required for that class of license.

According to an ARRL spokesperson, the petition filed by the Anchorage VEC does not address the cases of radio amateurs who had their licenses suspended or revoked. It says that if this Petition is looked upon favorably by the FCC, a provision should be made that no examination credit should be given if the operator license was ever suspended or revoked, or if the operator license was surrendered to avoid enforcement proceedings.

For the Amateur radio Newsline, I'm Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, in Los Angeles

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The Anchorage's plan calls for all 14 VEC's to handle these applications. At airtime no rule making number has been assigned to this rule making request. (Anchorage VEC, ARRL)

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RADIO RULES: COST OF VANITY CALL MAY RISE

The FCC wants to raise the cost of a vanity callsign by 90 cents. Currently the fee for a 10 year vanity call sits at $13.30. If the new rate is approved that will rise to $14.20 for that same 10 year period. In its press release, the FCC said it anticipates some 14,600 Amateur Radio vanity call sign or applications during the next fiscal year.

That would bring in over $207,000 in fees from the vanity call program. Any new fee would start at the beginning off the FCC's next fiscal year. (FCC)

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In DX, A multi-national team, all members of Mediterraneo DX Club will be active as 9N0MD from Nepal during November. Activity will be on all HF bands and modes. The team plans to give away trophies and prizes. More is on-line at www.mdxc.org/nepal.

9M6XRO is once again be active stroke V85 Brunei through May 9th. Hisa operation is mainly CW with the possibility of some RTTY or SSB. QSL via M0URX, direct, by the bureau, or via Logbook of the World.

K0YAK is now in Kathmandu and is expected to be operational as 9N7AK until early July. He is using a Kenwood TS-50 with a Cushcraft MA5V lightweight, 5-band vertical antenna. QSL via K0YAK.

Lastly, the Intrepid-DX Group will conduct a DXpedition from Afghanistan for ten days in May. Due to security concerns, the exact dates and location of the DXpedition will not be announced until the eve of their activation. For update on this operation, it is suggested to watch their Web page at www.intrepid-dx.com/t6pse

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: PUBLIC THANKS WO4W AND ABC 34/40 FOR LIFE SAVING SEVERE WEATHER COVERAGE

And finally this week, yet another albeit indirect ham radio connection to the tornadoes and severe weather that hit the South-East last week. This as Alabama's ABC 33/40 television group consisting of stations WCFT, WJSU, and WBMA used a handful of web-based tools, some ham radio volunteers and a very knowledgeable forecaster to provide the local community with ongoing coverage of the devastating storm system that tore through the state on Wednesday. Amateur Radio Newsline's Michael Grebert, KJ6ZZV, has the details:

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At the point position of this outstanding storm coverage was Meteorologist James Spann, WO4W. He used Facebook and Twitter to update and interact with its audience as well as those outside the local viewing area. The station group also used Ustream to live stream the local weather radar online and the ABC 33/40 weather blog to share photos and videos, many of which were captured by viewers. Also contributing were a group of local ham radio operators, many of whom are also known ABC 33/40 Skywatchers.

Over the course of the coverage WO4W appeared regularly on the air for almost 18 straight hours giving live weather updates. When he was off camera, he was reportedly assembling the latest weather information along with photos that the station was receiving from viewers online.

As the severe weather system charged across Alabama and the death toll began to climb, ABC 33/40 s Facebook page became not only a place for the station to disseminate information. It was also a meeting ground for members of the community to interact with Spann and each other about power outages and storm damage while also taking time to honor the deceased.

What James Spann, WO4W and his crew at both the station and the volunteer hams in the field was likely best summed up by this viewers posting on Facebook:

"I'd like to thank James Spann and all of the meteorologists and crew at ABC 33/40 for keeping not only the people of northern Alabama informed, but the whole world informed. I know dozens of people from around the country, including myself, who were watching the UStream feed faithfully all day. Your professionalism and dedication saved countless lives today."

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Michael Grebert, KJ4ZZV, in Music City, Nashville, Tennessee.

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In addition to his being the Chief Meteorologist for ABC 33/40, James Spann, is one of the founders of Weatherbrains.com. This is a weekly Internet based radio that unites weather geeks worldwide. He also owns the WO4W repeater atop Shades Mountain that serves the greater Birmingham area.

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

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And a reminder that the nominating period for the year 2011 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award is now open. Created by Newsline back in 1986, this award is offered to recognize one young United States or Canadian radio amateur age 18 or younger for his or her contributions to society through Amateur Radio.

As in years past, the 2011 recipient will receive an expense paid trip to the Huntsville Hamfest in Huntsville Alabama courtesy of

Vertex-Standard Corporation which produces Yaesu brand amateur radio gear. Vertex-Standard will also present this years winner with a special ham radio related gift. CQ Magazine will again treat the recipient to a week at Spacecamp-Huntsville. We at Amateur Radio Newsline will present the winner with a plaque honoring his or her achievements.

All nominations and materials required by the official rules must be received by ARNewsline before June 30, 2011. A downloadable nominating form is at our website at www.arnewsline.org. A nominating form can also be obtained by sending a request along with a self addressed stamped envelope to the Young Ham of the Year Award in care of Amateur Radio Newsline, Inc. 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California 91350.

Again, the cutoff date for this year's Young Ham of the Year Award nominations is June 30th. We ask you to do your part by nominating a young ham who has done something special related to ham radio. The nomination form is at www.arnewsline.org

For now, Im Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 8th May 2011

The news headlines:

* Russia signs up to CEPT licensing

* Talk in for the RSGB AGM

* Intruder Watch lecture at Friedrichshafen

Russia has become the latest nation to sign onto the pan-European CEPT licensing agreement. According to the IARU Region 1 website, the Russian State Radio Frequencies Commission decided in March that the Russian Federation would join both the CEPT and ECC Recommendation. This makes it possible for every CEPT licence holder to operate on the territory of the Russian Federation. There are a few caveats. Among them is that Russia will only permit such CEPT operation by a foreign station for a limit of three months, without any additional permission needed. Also, the callsign to be used in CEPT operations will be RA followed by the foreign amateur's personal call letters.

Arrangements have been made for a talk-in station for those attending the RSGB's AGM in Derby on 14 May. It will be available on 145.550MHz from about 8am through to 12 noon and the callsign will be G2DJ, Golf 2 Delta Juliet. Tickets for the amateur radio dinner on Saturday evening are still available from the RSGB online shop.

At the Ham Radio exhibition in Friedrichshafen, Germany there will be lectures about the activities of IARU Region 1 and DARC Monitoring System Intruder Watch. It will take place on Saturday, 25 June at 10am in Room Schweiz, Hall A2.

Summits on the Air recently passed a significant milestone with its millionth QSO being made over the recent holiday period. SOTA started in 2002 and has now grown into a worldwide award scheme with 55 associations across the world and around 44,000 qualifying summits. For more information on the scheme, check out the internet at www.sota.org.uk.

Sad news broke late last week. James McLaughlin, WA2EWE/T6AF was one of several Americans killed in Kabul, Afghanistan on Wednesday, April 27. News sources say that eight American troops and a US contractor died Wednesday after an Afghan military pilot opened fire during a meeting in an operations room of the Afghan Air Corps at the Kabul airport. Our

thoughts are with his family and friends.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

On Sunday 8 May, the Magnum Radio Rally will take place at the Magnum Leisure Centre, Harbourside, Irvine, Ayrshire KA12 8PP. There will be trade stands, a Bring & Buy and special interest groups. Doors open at 10.30am and admission is £4. Details from Helen, MM0HLN, on 0787 332 7597.

Sunday 15 May sees the National Vintage Communications Fair taking place at the Warwickshire Exhibition Centre, The Fosse, Fosse Way, Leamington Spa CV31 1XN. Doors open at 10am and there is free car parking on site. Entry is £6 and there will be plenty of trade stands and special interest groups as well as catering services. Details by e-mail from info@nvcf.org.uk.

Advanced notice now of the 1st Leicester RS Grand Clearance and Bring & Buy that will be held on 22 May at the Leicester Radio Society HQ, Groby Road, Leicester. There is approximately £2000 of donated radio equipment for disposal as well as a Bring & Buy. Doors open 10am to 4pm. Details of equipment available and further details from Alex on 0753 120 1640.

Now for the news of special events

Today, 8 May, the Whitton Amateur Radio Group will be presenting amateur radio to the public using GB2IKE in Bushy Park as part of an open day called Chestnut Sunday at Bushy Park, located in-between Teddington and Hampton Court Palace in Middlesex. Whitton Amateur Radio Group has the Royal Parks to thank for allowing the station to be situated in the park and it is likely that these will be the first radio transmissions from this location since the base was operational in WW2.

On 14 May a group of Merseyside and North Lancashire based amateurs will activate Lindisfarne Island, which is IOTA reference EU120. A special QSL card will be available. The team of G0LZX, G0WRE and M0TNX plan to be active on the 40, 20 and 17m bands, with the possibility of 15m. Mainly using SSB, data and CW contacts will be available if required. The call for this event will be GB0HI. Charles, M0OXO, has kindly offered to be QSL manager and the QSL cards are being undertaken by Gennady at UX5UO print.

The Shannon Basin Radio Club will be taking part in the Mills on the air weekend on 14 and 15 May. They will be operating from Elphin Windmill in Co. Roscommon and using the call EI2EWM.

On Sunday 16 May, radio operators of the Radio Club of Binche with the help of the Milton Keynes Amateur Radio Society will be on the air from Bletchley Park. The callsign will be M/ON4WAR. Contacts will be made in telegraphy only on 3.566 to 3.583, 7.006 to 7.012 and 7.016 to 7.025MHz. The transceivers used for this event will be essentially

replicas of the Whaddon MK VII or Paraset constructed by the radio club. QSLs either direct or via ON7RY.

May 2011 will be the month for chasing castles and stately homes on air. The weekend of the 21st and 22nd will be the international castles weekend from 1am on the 21st to 11pm on the 22nd. For UK stations, information can be found at www.cashota.co.uk as well as links to regional activity. The website now allows interested amateurs to complete activation forms online.

The Royal Naval Amateur Radio Society will run a Special Event station at the open day in HMS Collingwood on Saturday 4 June. The callsign to be used is GB6COD, Collingwood Open Day. The station will be operational on all amateur bands from 1.8MHz to 440MHz. The Society headquarters station will be open for viewing from 9.30am to 6pm on the day. A number of demonstrations will be taking place using amateur radio and amateur television. The open day will feature the Royal Navy Field Gun Competition. Additional attractions will include a display from the Royal Marines Band, Collingwood, a free fun fair and much more. Advanced tickets will be available from Gosport and Fareham Tourist Information Offices and Portsmouth News Offices from May 2011. And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

Marcello, IK8DNJ is off to the Dominican Republic and will use the callsign HI7/IK8DNJ until 13 May. He will operate SSB and digital modes on the 10 to 40m bands. QSL via IZ8LKL.

Several Japanese operators will be on the air from the island of Ogasawara for varying dates up to 13 May. Calls to look out for are JD1BMT, JD1BLY and JD1BMH. As well as being quite a rare DXCC entity, Ogasawara also counts for IOTA AS-031.

Gerard, F2JD will be active as HR5/F2JD until the middle of May. His QSL manager is F6AJA.

Fred, PA1FJ, will be on the air as SV5/PA1FJ/P from Karpathos Island, which is IOTA reference EU-001, from 8 to 14 May. Fred works in SSB and CW on the 6 to 40m bands with QRP equipment. QSL via his homecall callsign either via the bureau or direct.

9A8AMS, 9A/IK4RQJ, 9A/IZ4BBF and 9A/IK3AES will activate Sveti Nikola Island, which is IOTA reference EU-110 until 15 May. Although generally using CW, SSB and digital modes on the 10 to 40m , 9A8AMS will concentrate on 160m, 80m and 6m. QSL via their home callsigns either via the bureau or direct. Details for 9A8AMS can be found on QRZ.com.

Now the contest news

On 10 May the 432MHZ UK Activity Contest takes place from 1900 to 2130UTC. Using all modes on the band, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The data leg of the 80m Club Championship takes place on 11 May from 1900 to 2030UTC. The exchange is the usual signal report and serial number.

On Sunday 15th, the 70MHz CW Contest could be interesting. This event was reinstated last year after a gap of four years, during which there was an explosion of activity on the band. Its timing puts it well within the Sporadic-E season, so it might be blessed with good conditions. Taking place between 0900 and 1200UTC, the exchange is signal report, serial number, locator and postcode.

The Worked All Britain LF Phone contest takes place next Sunday, 15 May, from 1000 to 1400UTC. The exchange is signal report, serial number and WAB square. Full details of the rules and logsheets may be obtained from the WAB website at www.worked-all-britain.co.uk or from the Contest Manager, G3XKT by email to aebbooks@ntlworld.com.

The Volta DX RTTY Contest takes place for 24 hours over the weekend of 14-15th, from 1200 to 1200UTC. In this one you can make a single-band entry. Work everyone on all bands from 3.5 to 28MHz and the multipliers are DXCC countries. Incidentally, this event doesn't have a low power section. The exchange is signal report, serial number and CQ Zone, which is 14 for the UK. And now the solar factual data for the period from the 25th of April to the 1st of May, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on the 2nd of May

First the latest monthly smoothed sunspot numbers, which continue to show a steady rise from sunspot minimum. The figures are for July, August and September are 16.7, 17.4 and 19.6 respectively.

The solar disc had up to five sunspot groups visible on some days. At least two of these groups produced C class solar flares, 14 in total. However, none took place on the 25th and the 26th when solar activity was very low. Solar flux levels gradually declined from 112 units on the 25th to 106 by the 1st. The average was 109 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 1st was 108, that's two units up on last week. X-ray flux levels varied little day to day and averaged B2.9 units. Geomagnetic activity started at quiet levels but from the 29th a coronal hole disturbance arrived, a day earlier than forecast. The most disturbed day was the 30th with an Ap index of 24 units. The disturbance rumbled on into the next day with an Ap of 19 units. The average was Ap 10 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds increase from 310 kilometres per second to 750 by the 30th. Particle densities were low every day except for a very brief increase to 15 particles per cubic centimetre on the 29th. Bz on the quiet days varied between minus and plus 3 nanoTeslas on the quiet days to minus 15 and plus 11 nanoTeslas on the 30th.

Small sporadic-E openings took place occasionally but on the 1st a larger opening occurred and included 50MHz.

And now the solar forecast. An active region is expected to be in view this week according to the latest STEREO images. Therefore, solar

activity is expected to be mostly at low levels but could increase on some days. Solar flux levels should be around the 120's for most of the week. Geomagnetic activity is expected to be disturbed today and tomorrow due to a recurring coronal hole. Levels should then decline to quiet levels, however, a weak coronal hole disturbance could take place again next weekend. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 23MHz for the south and some 3MHz lower for the north. Darkness hour lows should be about 11MHz. Paths this week to Australia should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent chance of around 22MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 17MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 0800 and 1100 hours. The long path should be open with similar values around sunset time in the UK. Sporadic-E should take place with openings on 50MHz some days.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your

transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS On Monday 9 May Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is operating on HF. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548478, daytime.

On Monday 9 May South Birmingham Radio Society is on the air and planning for Field Day Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Monday 9 May South Normanton Alfreton & District Amateur Radio Club is having a fox hunt on foot. Details from A Lawrence, 2E0BQS, by email to adylawri@btinternet.com.

On Monday 9 May Stratford Upon Avon District Radio Society is having a talk on walking HF ARDF by G6MMD. Contact G0CHO, on 01608 664488.

On Tuesday 10 May Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 10 May Eagle Radio Group is watching Hinterland, a short film by Melisa Bliss. Details from Terry, G0SWS, on 01507 478590.

On Tuesday 10 May Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is operating on 2m & 70cm from the club. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Wednesday 11 May Hinckley Amateur Radio Society is holding a workshop. Details from John, M0JAV, on 07836 731544.

On Wednesday 11 May Lincoln Short-Wave Club is having a talk on Worked All Britainby Dave, G4IAR. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

On Wednesday 11 May Midland Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting, training and Morse classes. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 01214 229 787.

On Wednesday 11 May Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is looking at simple antennas and other ideas with G0UFE et al. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday 12 May Salop Amateur Radio Society is having a demo of the Barrett 2040 HF tactical manpack transceiver by Dave, 2W0CPO. Details on the club website at www.salop-ars.org.uk.

On Thursday 12 May South Birmingham Radio Society is having training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603. On Friday 13 May Bromsgrove & District Amateur Radio Club is having a VHF night. Contact Chris, M0BQE on 01905 776 869.

On Friday 13 May Coventry Amateur Radio Society is holding the first round of the G4ZMC Portable Operating Trophy. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777363.

On Friday 13 May Nunsfield House Amateur Radio Group is having a photo competition. Details from Ken Frankcom, G3OCA, on 01332 720976.

On Friday 13 May South Birmingham Radio Society is having a construction evening. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Saturday 14 May Lincoln Short-Wave Club is in the shack and commences weekend operation of GB2CWF for Mills on the Air at Ellis Mill. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

The Midland Amateur Radio Society will be running a field day over the weekend of 14 and 15 May, starting at around 0800UTC finishing on the Sunday at 1200UTC. Callsign will be GB8OTH, Oscar Tango Hotel. Operating on 80, 40, 20, 10, 6, 4 and 2m as well as 70cm. More information via club website. www.radioclubs.net/mars/

On Sunday 15 May Midland Amateur Radio Society is attending the National Vintage Communications Fair. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 01214 229 787.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND On Sunday 8 May North Cheshire Radio Club is holding its AGM. More information from Gordon Adams, G3LEQ, on 01565 652652

On Monday 9 May Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is enrolling for its Foundation and Intermediate courses and is also on the air Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 0191 477 0036.

On Monday 9 May Bolton Wireless Club is watching the ZL8R Kermadec Islands DXpedition DVD with Gerry, G1SWH. For details, send an email to boltonwireless@gmail.com.

On Monday 9 May Sheffield Amateur Radio Club Grand is holding its spring junk sale. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 9 May Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night and discussing plans for HF Field Day. Details on the web at www.tcars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 10 May Chester & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. Details from Barbara Green on 07957 870770.

On Wednesday 11 May Denby Dale Radio Club is planning for Mills on the Air and Golcar Lilly Day. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220126.

On Wednesday 11 May Grimsby Amateur Radio Society is taking part in the RSGB 80m CC data. Contact Cliff, G4YHP, on 01472 328 830. On Wednesday 11 May Hambleton Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on PSK31 by Ian, M3XND. More information from Tony Wilson, G3MAE, on 01609 881530.

On Wednesday 11 May Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the80m CC data. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240573.

On Thursday 12 May Grimsby Amateur Radio Society is having a construction night with Adrian, G1BRB. Contact Cliff, G4YHP, on 01472 328 830.

On Thursday 12 May Keighley Amateur Radio Society is having a club night. Details from Shirley, M6SAK, on 01535 652781.

On Thursday 12 May South Manchester Radio and Computer Club has a PC clinic with Dave, G4UGM. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 0161 969 3999.

On Thursday 12 May Wakefield & District Radio Society is having a DF antenna construction evening. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563117.

On Friday 13 May East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is holding a bring in something interesting evening. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Saturday 14 May Denby Dale Radio Club commences its weekend event for Mills on the Air, operating GB2TMI from Thwaite Mill near Leeds. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220126.

On Saturday 14 May Denby Dale Radio Club is operating GX4CDD from Golcar near Huddersfield to celebrate Golcar Lilly Day. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220126.

On Saturday 14 May Grimsby Amateur Radio Society commences its weekend event, operating GB4MPW for Mills on the Air. Contact Cliff, G4YHP, on 01472 328 830.

On Saturday 14 May Wakefield & District Radio Society continues its Foundation, Intermediate and Advanced courses. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563117.

On Sunday 15 May Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is taking part in Castles on the Air Day. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND On Sunday 8 May Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club is holding its monthly meeting, to which members and visitors are welcome. For more information send an email to cqmuarc@gmail.com.

On Monday 9 May Greenisland Electronics Amateur Radio Society is operating on 2m. Details from Peter Lowrie, MI5JYK, by email to mi5jyk@rsgb.org.uk.

On Thursday 12 May Bangor & District Amateur Radio Club is on the air and will be testing the performance of vertical and CobWeb antennas. Contact Mike, GI4XSF, on 028 4277 2383.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Sunday 8 May Ayr Amateur Radio Group is at the Magnum Rally. Details from Tom Ferguson, GM1OST, on 01292 532 088.

On Tuesday 10 May Ayr Amateur Radio Group is supporting Coylton School Radio Day. Details from Tom Ferguson, GM1OST, on 01292 532 088.

On Tuesday 10 May Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having an operating evening. Details from Norman, on 07740 946192.

On Wednesday 11 May Glenrothes & District Radio Club is having a talk on the difference between simulation and reality by John Curtis, MM0MBC. Details from Dave Francis, on 01383 823878.

On Wednesday 11 May Lothians Radio Society is having a talk on the Lothians RAYNET group by Charlie Duncan, GM6MUZ. Contact Andy Sinclair, by email to secretary@lothiansradiosociety.com.

On Wednesday 11 May West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society has Solder Group homebrew projects & licence training. More information from Fred Coombes, 2M0BIN, on 01415 715512.

On Thursday 12 May Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is preparing for National Mills Weekend. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663.

On Friday 13 May Borders Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on operating in Antarctica by Ron, G3SVW/VP8LK. More information from Danny, 2M0CDO, on 01890 882850.

On Friday 13 May Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club is having a 2m DF hunt, meeting in the car park of the Old Ship Inn at 6.30. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723.

On Friday 13 May West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society is having presentations, guest speakers, a quiz and a raffle. More information from Fred Coombes, 2M0BIN, on 01415 715512.

On Saturday 14 May Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is taking part in National Mills Weekend. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA The GB2RS news readers that broadcast for the South East at 9.00am on 3640kHz LSB urgently need a backup news reader to assist. This reading also serves the South West, and a suitable volunteer might be located in the Home Counties or indeed the South West, say along the M4 corridor. If several volunteers come forward, then a separate reading for the South West might also be considered. Any new arrangements will need to be co-ordinated with the RSGB HQ reading which is due to commence in the summer from Bletchley Park. If you are interested and you are an RSGB member, please contact the GB2RS News Manager Gordon Adams, G3LEQ, on 01565 652652 for more information.

On Sunday 8 May Felixtowe & District Amateur Radio Society is operating GB2WTM from Woodbridge Tide Mill for National Mills Day. More information from Paul, G4YQC, by email to pjw@btinternet.com.

On Sunday 8 May Horsham Amateur Radio Club is holding a fox hunt. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk. On Monday 9 May Coulsdon Amateur Transmitting Society is having a talk by M0NAT on his motorcycle trip to the Himalayas. Details from Steve Beal, G3WZK, by email to secretary@catsradio.org.

On Monday 9 May East Kent Radio Society is having a talk on WW2 spy and clandestine radios by Ian, G3ROO. Details from Karl Davies, M1DFM, on 01227 710120.

On Monday 9 May Southdown Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on time by Tony, G4ZQB. Details from John, G3DQY, on 01424 424 319.

On Monday 9 May Surrey Radio Contact Club is having a construction evening. Contact John, G3MCX, on 020 8688 3322.

On Monday 9 May West Kent Amateur Radio Society is watching a video of George Alderman G3BNEs' Life in Electronics and Amateur Radio. More information from Les, G6UBM, by email to westkentars@googlemail.com.

On Tuesday 10 May Bedford and District Amateur Radio Club continues its Foundation and Intermediate courses. Contact Bob Leask, G3XNG, by email to g4ceotalk21.com.

On Tuesday 10 May Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720815.

On Tuesday 10 May Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is having a club net night. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Tuesday 10 May Harwell Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on Bletchley Park by Ray, G4FON. Contact Malcolm, G8NRP, on 01235 524844.

On Wednesday 11 May Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting at Danbury Village Hall. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on

01245 469 008.

On Wednesday 11 May Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is having a members' forum. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday 11 May Harwich Amateur Radio Interest Group is having a talk on RSGB Matters by RSGB Essex DRM Mark Sanderson. Details from Kevan, 2E0WMG, on 07766 543784.

On Wednesday 11 May Havering & District Amateur Radio Club is having an informal evening. More information from John, M0UKD, on 07890 222111.

On Wednesday 11 May Norfolk Amateur Radio Club has informal, construction, shack, Brightsparks and is taking part in the RSGB CC Data contest. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898678.

On Wednesday 11 May South Essex Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by Dave, G4UVJ on his SOTA experiences. Contact Norman, M0FZW, on 01268 692776.

On Wednesday 11 May Southgate Amateur Radio Club is having a computer clinic with Keith, G8RPA. Contact David Sharp, M0XDS, by email to david.sharp1@tesco.net.

On Wednesday 11 May Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is having a discussion evening. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816684.

On Thursday 12 May Bittern DX Group is having an informal meeting at Pinewood Park Leisure Club. Details from Linda, G0AJJ, on 01692 404154.
On Thursday 12 May Echelford Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by Mike Cox on 3D TV in action. Contact John, G4GSC, on 01784 451898.

On Thursday 12 May Edgware & District Radio Society is having a talk on sundials by Julian, G4ZOD. More information from Mike, G4RNW, on 0208 950 0658.

On Thursday 12 May Horsham Amateur Radio Club is having a social evening at the Royal Oak, Friday Street, Rusper. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk.

On Thursday 12 May King's Lynn Amateur Radio Club is having a club night and 2m club net. Contact Ray, G3RSV, by email to ral-g3rsv@supanet.com.

On Thursday 12 May Reading & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the Police number plate recognition system by Paul Palmer of Surrey Police. Details from Pete, G8FRC, on 01189 695 697.

On Thursday 12 May Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on the FUNcube project and other satellite news by Graham, G3VZV. Details from David, G8UOD, on 01234 742 757.

On Friday 13 May Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the SoftRock II Lite software defined radio by Mike, M0BLP. Contact Ron, G3KBR, on 01223 501712.

On Friday 13 May Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a radio night. Contact Peter, G4AKG, on 01444 239371.

On Friday 13 May Radio Society of Harrow is having a demonstration of trends in contemporary medium wave DXing using SDRs, Flag and EWE antennas by Stuart, M1SMH. More information from Linda, G7RJL, on 0208 386 8586.

On Friday 13 May Wimbledon & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air and running Foundation training. Contact Andrew Maish, G4ADM, on 020 8335 3434.

On Saturday 14 May Bedford and District Amateur Radio Club is participating in the Mills on the air. Contact Bob Leask, G3XNG, by email to g4ceotalk21.com.

On Saturday 14 May Bittern DX Group is taking part in Mills on the Air Weekend from Weybourne Mill, operating as GB1WM. Details from Linda, G0AJJ, on 01692 404154.

On Saturday 14 May Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society commences its weekend event operating GB5SM from Stock Windmill. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Saturday 14 May Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society is having a field weekend get- together. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 020 8502 1645.

On Saturday 14 May South Essex Amateur Radio Society is operating GB2RWM at Rayleigh Windmill for Mills on the Air weekend. Contact Norman, M0FZW, on 01268 692776.

On Sunday 15 May Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is operating a special event station at Lacey Green Windmill. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST On Sunday 8 May Blackmoor Vale Amateur Radio Society Mills weekend, Sturminster Newton Mill. Contact Tony, G0GFL, on 01258 860741.

On Monday 9 May Exeter Amateur Radio Society is having a club night. More information from Nick, on 01363 775756.

On Tuesday 10 May Blackmoor Vale Amateur Radio Society is watching a video of the Bath Buildathon. Contact Tony, G0GFL, on 01258 860741.

On Tuesday 10 May Mid Somerset Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by David Edwards, G8BFV on microwave homebrewing, constructional techniques, kits and beacons for the microwave bands. Contact Nick, M6NJB, on 01749 346320.

On Tuesday 10 May West Devon Radio Club is having a technical night on radio repair and servicing. Further information from Jules Cuddy, M1AGY, on 01752 291588.

On Wednesday 11 May Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417048.

On Thursday 12 May South Bristol Amateur Radio Club has its spring table top sale. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695471.

On Thursday 12 May Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having an activity night. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317750.

On Thursday 12 May Yeovil Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on vertical half wave aerials by G3MYM. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk.

On Friday 13 May North Bristol Amateur Radio Club is having an operating evening. More information from Dick on 01454 218362.

On Friday 13 May Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES On Monday 9 May Llanelli Amateur Radio Society Club is holding a raffle. Contact Craig, MW0MXT, on 01269 840292.

On Thursday 12 May Aberystwyth and District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by Simon, GW0NVN, on the shack in a suitcase. Simon will describe and show how he has set up and operated from many remote and difficult locations throughout the world, giving practical ideas to enable the ham who does not have the real estate to put up large antennas or use kilowatts of RF. Further details from Ray Ricketts.

On Thursday 12 May Marches Amateur Radio Society is holding a general meeting to discuss future programming and the way forward for the Club. This will be followed by an on the air session, construction and natter night. For more information contact Dave, MW0AYM, on 01691 777242.

453. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.amateur.*

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-07 06:05:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/recruitment-1-1304748300@panix.com>
Source record: 4493
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/recruitment
Revision: 1.2 2009/11/25 14:41:01
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/

Changes followed by "|".

The rec.radio.info newsgroup, first established in 1993, has been
recently revived by an active moderation team. We are currently seeking
suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.amateur.* (and currently archived
at http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/ ):

radio/personal-intro
Subject: Guide to the rec.radio Newsgroups
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 9 Nov 2001 06:18:17 GMT
Posting-Frequency: 15th of each month

One significant omission, requiring immediate updates, for this article |
is that it does not mention newer amateur radio newsgroups created since |
it was written, including: |

rec.radio.amateur.antenna |
rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors |
rec.radio.amateur.dx |
rec.radio.amateur.equipment |
rec.radio.amateur.homebrew |
rec.radio.amateur.moderated |
rec.radio.amateur.space |

We are willing to provide any technical support necessary to get this
article updated and automatically posted again at a regular interval.
This would include establishing contact with the original maintainer for
any necessary permissions. We would prefer to seek a new, dedicated
maintainer at this time, rather than start auto-posting the original
article ourselves.

For more information about our newsgroup, see:
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http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

454. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.swap

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-07 06:10:00 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/swap/recruitment-1-1304748600@panix.com>
Source record: 4494
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/swap/recruitment
Revision: 1.1 2007/09/29 18:42:57
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide

Changes followed by "|".

The rec.radio.info newsgroup, first established in 1993, has been
recently revived by an active moderation team. We are currently seeking
suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.swap (and currently archived at
http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide/ ):

radio/swap-guide
Subject: Rec.radio.swap FAQ: A Guide to Buying and Selling on Usenet
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 6 Nov 2001 19:25:51 GMT
Posting-Frequency: Monthly

We are willing to provide any technical support necessary to get this
article updated and automatically posted again at a regular interval.
This would include establishing contact with the original maintainer for
any necessary permissions. We would prefer to seek a new, dedicated
maintainer at this time, rather than start auto-posting the original
article ourselves.

For more information about our newsgroup, see:

http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.
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455. SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 08 MAY 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-07 19:00:21 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <20110507190006.E92B433C5C@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4495
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 08 MAY 2011

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'ARMI' and follow the links for details. PLEASE NOTE: for audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail. Your news reader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 and 3,695 MHz SSB.

In the news today:

MAY 2011 RAE EXAMINATION NUMBERS ON THE WEB TODAY

SA AMSAT SPACE SYMPOSIUM GOES FULL STEAM AHEAD

US STUDY SAYS NO SPECTRUM CRUNCH EXISTS

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting news items.

MAY 2011 RAE EXAMINATION NUMBERS ON THE WEB TODAY

The May 2011 RA Examination numbers will be available on the SARL web page from 12:00 today (Sunday 08 May 2011). Please could all candidates check their examination venues and should there be any errors or queries, these need to be directed to Mariska at the SARL office on Monday morning. A letter will be emailed to all candidates confirming their entrance into the examination.

SA AMSAT SPACE SYMPOSIUM GOES FULL STEAM AHEAD

SA AMSAT said that its Space Symposium 2011 will go full steam ahead on Saturday 21 May. Following an agreement with Sentech the auditorium at Radiokop will be the venue with the SARL National Amateur Radio centre being used for refreshment breaks and lunch.

The new arrangement has substantially reduced the registration fee to R75 for SARL and SA AMSAT members if booked before 15 May 2011. Student and scholars will enter free if a student card or scholar ID is submitted at the time of Registration.

The conference will be opened by the CEO of the South African National Space Agency, Sandile Malinga. John Willescroft, ZS6EF, will demonstrate the development of a totally new concept which allows a solar panel to the released from SAiSAT once in Space. For full details, registration forms and programme, visit www.amsatsa.org.za

US STUDY SAYS NO SPECTRUM CRUNCH EXISTS

The National Association of Broadcasters in the United States has released a study arguing that there is no spectrum crisis. According to NAB, the research shows that insufficient analysis and reliance on faulty information in the formation of the FCC's National Broadband Plan has led to the overstated assumption of a nationwide spectrum shortage for future broadband expansion. NAB says that this is not the case.

The White House, the FCC and numerous in the wireless industry have cited a spectrum crisis as a justification for policies that would reallocate TV airwaves for mobile broadband use. But broadcasters have said that there is no way that they will willingly relinquish even a single hertz of spectrum to broadband.

The report authored by a former FCC aide was released the week of April 26th. It came on the heels of the NAB's recent statement that the broadcast lobby group is in full battle mode to stop the reframing of broadcast spectrum to broadband providers.

In South Africa a similar situation will loom as TV will turn digital and some of the current frequencies will become available for other services. At a recent workshop arranged by ICASA. ICASA said that they have other plans than simply handing it over to broadband suppliers.

ANOTHER SARL

Another organisation is using the abbreviation SARL; they are the SA Racing League. Their website is www.sarl.co.za. Ours, the South African Radio League, website remains www.sarl.org.za.

Now two items obtained from this week's WIANews:

INFORMATION SUPER HIGHWAY

A story worth a read is in last Tuesday, 3 May's Yorkshire Post.

"Instead of floating in space, much of the information super highway is actually under water.

You might be surprised to know that this global communications system surfaces in the UK near a small village on the Yorkshire coast.

If you think the internet is largely dependent on satellites circling thousands of miles above the earth, think again.

The global communications system relies on old submarine cable routes that date from the 1800s.

Two hundred and fifty submarine cable systems provide the backbone for most of today's communications systems.

Another 19 are due to come online this year.

Less than five per cent of our hi-tech communications network is done via satellite, with fibre accounting for most of the rest.

The 19th century version of the information super highway would have struggled to keep up. The first transatlantic cable transmission in 1858 was a 98-word message from Queen Victoria of the UK to President Buchanan of the US which took 16 hours to transmit.

Fifteen years later, the first commercial transatlantic cable message was sent. It cost the princely sum of £20 for 20 words, which is roughly the equivalent of £900 today.

By 1870, information could be transmitted at around 10 words per minute.

Fans of Tolstoy should note that it would have taken 37 days to send over one copy of War & Peace.

Today, of-course information moves at lightning pace. Messages can be sent with the click of a mouse.

It is estimated that there are between 100 and 150 cable faults around the world each year.

Nearly half of these faults are due to fishing, although earthquakes can also cause damage and disruption.

Some things haven't changed in the last 150 years.

The method of recovering faulty cables has remained the same.

They are retrieved using a grappling hook on the end of up to five miles of rope. The rope is more expensive than the cables it helps to recover.

So the next time you log on, pray that a shark with a power complex isn't nibbling away at a cable in the deep.

SHOWER POWER SOAP OPERAS

The world's first shower powered radio comes from UK based Tango Group the same group that commercialised the award-winning Wind-Up Radio.

This radio is powered entirely by your shower water.

The H20 brand, has a patented a micro turbine concept through the motion of water flowing through a little turbine.

The convenient and energy-efficient shower powered radio, means users can listen to their favourite radio stations while in the shower.

The radio, and is even more convenient since it is recharged as the shower runs, dispelling the need for disposable batteries.

The radio even allows users to carry on listening after the shower is turned off; using any excess energy stored in an integral Ni-Mh rechargeable cell.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is at low levels. There is currently no chance for strong solar flares. Sunspots 1 203 and 1 204 are the main features on the visible solar disk. New sunspot 1 207 remains a simple sunspot group. For the people doing their own frequency predictions the expected effective sunspot number for the week is about 45.

15 m will provide the best opportunities for DX followed by 20 m.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

21 May - SA AMSAT space simposium at NARC at Radiokop. 18 to 22 May - Follow Dayton Hamvention via W5KUB.com. 25 May - Closing date for nominations for NSN awards, visit www.amateurradio.org.za. 18 June - Programming in Windows course in Gauteng. Book at www.sarl.org.za.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 750 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'ARMI' and follow the links. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 18:30 CAT on 3 230 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by Gustav, ZS6BWN.

Thank you for listening, 73.
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========== Message Ends ========== To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp

456. NZART Headquarters Infoline Issue 229

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-08 03:58:16 UTC
From: jamiepye <jamie.pye@pyenet.co.nz>
Message-ID: <GBEFLHAKABNBJEJENPGDIEFLDGAA.jamie.pye@pyenet.co.nz>
Source record: 4496
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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>From The Business Manager ZL2DL
Debby says...
It appears not all the annual audited financial details have been printed in the last issue of Break In. I have attached the full set of accounts inclusive of notes from the Treasurer, with this issue of HQ Info-line. These will also be available from the NZART web page.

The accounts are not included with this infoline but are available on the NZART Web at:
http://www.nzart.org.nz/assets/pdf/2011/Annual-Audited-Accounts-2010.pdf
Editor

With Conference now only four weeks away, it's timely to remind you all of your chance to vote on remits, if your branch has not already done so. There are 13 remits this year, so I urge you to attend your branch meeting where they will be discussed and voted on.

If you are unable to attend Conference and wish to place a personal apology, please let me know within the next couple of weeks. For those branches who will not have a delegate in attendance, please send me your branch voting figures and whether you require to me to arrange a proxy to put your votes

to the meeting.

Talk soon...Debby ZL2DL

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FMTAG Notes For 8-May-2011 HQ Infoline-229
Please click HERE to go to the FMTAG Applications Being Processed

FMTAG at VHF Convention 2011

FMTAG was invited to attend the Forum session (Sunday 24th April) of VHF Convention at Easter 2011. Many interesting topics were discussed, under the Chairmanship of John, ZL2HD.

However, the only matter directly involving FMTAG was a request for inclusion in the VHF/UHF/SHF Bandplans of a Simplex channel for the P25 Digital mode, which was the subject of a detailed presentation by John, ZL4JY, on the previous day.

During the Forum discussion various frequencies were suggested, but subsequent investigation since VHF Convention, in accordance with PIB38, has shown that none of the suggested frequencies are suitable for universal, nation-wide, use.

At its July 2008 meeting, NZART Council approved the following addition to the bandplan:

F+0.550 Narrow digital mode simplex of up to 16 kHz bandwidth

In other words: 144.550 MHz, 432.550 MHz, 925.550 MHz, 1296.550 MHz, and so on.

This is included in the bandplan shown on page 7-16 of the current Call Book.

These frequencies are suitable for universal, nation-wide, use by D-STAR, P25 and other similar narrow band digital modes.

Proposals
1.. That D-STAR, P25 and other similar narrow band digital modes be added, as an explanatory footnote, to the existing item of the Bandplan on page 7-16 of the current Call Book: F+0.550 Narrow digital mode simplex of up to 16 kHz bandwidth (including D-STAR, P25 and other similar narrow band digital modes)
2.. Branch 63 Upper Hutt has applied to add the D-STAR DV digital mode to, and change the location of, its Mount Climie 860 repeater. The new location will be Topo50 map reference BP32 798.83 423.94. An Engineering Evaluation, in accordance with the MED's Radio Licence Certification Rules (PIB38), shows that the repeater's transmit frequency can remain on 438.600 MHz and the receive frequency can remain on 433.600 MHz, and that there will be no interference to other stations.
3.. Branch 74 Wellington VHF has applied to increase the power of, and add the P25 digital mode to its 6625 repeater located at Hawkins Hill, Topo50

map reference BQ31 449.78 236.89. An Engineering Evaluation, in accordance with the MED's Radio Licence Certification Rules (PIB38), shows that the repeater's transmit frequency can remain on 146.625 MHz and the receive frequency can remain on 146.025 MHz, and that there will be no interference to other stations.
4.. Branch 74 Wellington VHF has applied for a 32 cm repeater located at Colonial Knob, Topo50 map reference BP31 513.58 426.16. FMTAG has chosen a repeater transmit frequency of 927.800 MHz and a receive frequency of 921.200 MHz. An Engineering Evaluation, in accordance with the MED's Radio Licence Certification Rules (PIB38), shows that there will be no interference to other stations.
5.. Branch 74 Wellington VHF has applied for a 6 m repeater located at Colonial Knob, Topo50 map reference BP31 513.58 426.16. FMTAG has chosen a repeater transmit frequency of 53.750 MHz and a receive frequency of 52.750 MHz. An Engineering Evaluation, in accordance with the MED's Radio Licence Certification Rules (PIB38), shows that there will be no interference to other stations.
6.. Branch 85 Mercury Bay has applied for a National System repeater located at Opito Bay, Topo50 map reference BA35 513.81 313.73. FMTAG has chosen a repeater transmit frequency of 434.800 MHz and a receive frequency of 439.800 MHz. An Engineering Evaluation, in accordance with the MED's Radio Licence Certification Rules (PIB38), shows that there will be no interference to other stations.
7.. Branch 85 Mercury Bay has applied for a National System UHF Linking Station (ULS) located at Opito Bay, Topo50 map reference BA35 513.81 313.73, to link to Mt Edgecumbe. The link transmit frequency will be 434.975 MHz and the receive frequency will be 439.975 MHz. An Engineering Evaluation, in accordance with the MED's Radio Licence Certification Rules (PIB38), shows that there will be no interference to other stations.
Final Recommendations to NZART Council
Published on the NZART website, and in NZART HQ Infoline for the information of, and inviting comments from, NZART members.

At its May 2011 meeting, NZART Council approved the following Final Recommendations.

1.. Branch 60 Taupo has applied for a 2 metre APRS Digipeater at Kururau Road, Topo50 map reference BH33 913938. The transmit and receive frequency will be 144.575 MHz. An Engineering Evaluation, in accordance with the MED's Radio Licence Certification Rules (PIB38), shows that there will be no interference to other stations.
2.. Branch 74 Wellington VHF has applied to increase the power of, and add the P25 digital mode to, its Colonial Knob 7075 Voice and Data 2-metre repeater, located at Topo50 map reference BP31 513.49 426.17. An Engineering Evaluation, in accordance with the MED's Radio Licence Certification Rules (PIB38), shows that the repeater's transmit frequency can remain on 147.075 MHz and the receive frequency can remain on 147.675 MHz, and that there will be no interference to other stations.
3.. Branch 81 Waikato VHF has applied for a 2 metre Voice Repeater at Maungakawa, Topo50 map reference BC34 119.91 565.00. The transmit frequency will be 145.575 MHz and the receive frequency will be 144.975 MHz. An

Engineering Evaluation, in accordance with the MED's Radio Licence Certification Rules (PIB38), shows that there will be no interference to other stations.
4.. Branch 81 Waikato VHF has applied for a 70 cm Link at Maungakawa, Topo50 map reference BC34 119.91 565.00. The transmit and receive frequency will be 434.350 MHz. An Engineering Evaluation, in accordance with the MED's Radio Licence Certification Rules (PIB38), shows that there will be no interference to other stations.
5.. Branch 81 Waikato VHF has applied for a 70 cm Link at Te Uku, Topo50 map reference BD32 732.64 067.29. The transmit and receive frequency will be 434.350 MHz. An Engineering Evaluation, in accordance with the MED's Radio Licence Certification Rules (PIB38), shows that there will be no interference to other stations.
Comments and Applications
Please send your comments and suggestions on the above matters and recommendations, and on any other FMTAG matters, by e-mail to: fmtag@nzart.org.nz

Applications for repeaters, beacons, digipeaters, point-to-point links, and so on, should be made on the latest version of FMTAG Form 10. The latest versions of FMTAG Form 10, and the explanatory Form 10A, are available on the NZART web site:
http://www.nzart.org.nz/nzart/fmtag/

Completed forms should be sent by e-mail to fmtag@nzart.org.nz

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Neville Copeland ZL2AKV SK 22-April-2011
Extract from NZART Official Broadcast 24-April-2011

It is with regret that I lead tonight's broadcast with the sad news that former NZART General Secretary and Honorary Life Member Neville Copeland ZL2AKV became a silent key last Friday night.

Neville's health had been slowly failing in recent years and at the time of his passing he was a resident of a Rest Home in Stokes Valley near Wellington.

Neville was our Association General Secretary based in Astral Towers Upper Hutt from June 1982 through until June in 1998. He was our General Secretary for a record 16 year term. Neville was made an Honorary life member of our Association at Conference in 1998.

Neville was born in 1925 and all his working life prior to becoming our General Secretary had been spent with the New Zealand Post Office which he joined as a message boy.

During World War II he joined the Royal NZ Air force and graduated under the British Commonwealth Air Training Plan as a wireless operator.

After the war Neville rejoined the Post Office serving in a variety of positions including a time seconded to the DSIR as Postmaster at Scott Base

Antarctica. During this period he held the call ZL5AL and provided a dx bonanza for New Zealand and overseas amateurs.

In 1975 he joined the Post Office's Radio Division from which he retired on the 24th December in 1981.

Neville was first licensed as a radio amateur in 1971 and joined NZART the same year. He attended radio classes at Upper Hutt Branch 63 and went on to play his part as the Secretary and the President of the Branch. He was made a Life member of Branch 63 in 1998.

As one who worked with Neville ZL2AKV both as chairman of the Headquarters Secretarial Committee and over my term as NZART President I will remember Neville for his dedication, his attention to detail his loyalty and friendship.

NZART extends to Neville's wife Shirley and his family our deepest sympathy.

Jim Meachen ZL2BHF

Funeral Notice
COPELAND, Reginald Neville - (ZL2AKV) - Regt No: 133372, T/Sgt, RNZAF, 1939-45.

On April 22, 2011 at Stokeswood Hospital, Stokes Valley; aged 86 years. Husband of Shirley for 59 years. Treasured father and father-in-law of Greg & Kate, Judy & Rick, Sue & Colin and adored grandfather James, Rachel, Joshua and Claudia.

Donations to the Cancer Society of NZ would be appreciated and may be left at the service or posted to 52 Riddiford Street, Newtown 6021.

Special thanks to the staff of Stokeswood Hospital for their wonderful care and support.

A service for Neville will be held in Kingswood, cnr King and Cairo Streets, Upper Hutt on Thursday April 28, 2011 at 11.00 am, followed by private cremation at Akatarawa.

All messages to the "Copeland Family", c/- PO Box 30-127, Lower Hutt 5040.

Gee & Hickton (04) 528-2331.

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Southern District Councillor Appointed
Appointed to this position has been: Thomas, Terry, ZL4TAE

Extract from letter to Terry from NZART President, Roy ZL2KH
Hi Terry
It is with pleasure that I can inform you that council, and council-elect, were unanimous that you be appointed as the ZL4 councillor from the AGM in Silverstream.

73
Roy ZL2KH
President NZART

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Jock White Memorial Field Day Report 2011
The Jock White Memorial Field Day results maybe found at:
http://www.nzart.org.nz/assets/pdf/2011/FD-2011-PDF-results.pdf

Thank you to everyone who participated in this year's field day.

We were a few field stations down this year due to the disaster in Christchurch on the Tuesday before Field Day.

Propagation on 40 was improved this year but 80 was down this year during the day.

There seems to be a definite trend toward increased activity on 40 compared to two or three years ago looking at the number of branch points available on 40.

There were few adverse comments this year with regard to operating standards and signal quality which was pleasing.

A few Brickbats
Sorry to spend a lot of space on these but this year was my hardest year for scoring Field day due to the following two points:

Poor Quality of Entries

The rules state clearly that the three summary sheets available from the NZART web site are to be used:
http://www.nzart.org.nz/activities/contest-rules/

This is not a big ask!

A number of entries did not have any form of summary at all, or improvise.

This year I will be sending back corrected paperwork to those who have not sent in correct entries to show how things should be done.

Why is this a problem? Incorrect entries make my job of scoring the contest more difficult.

Note that the majority of entries are done correctly.

Note: Next year I will return entries if they are not of a sufficient standard.

Field Stations that do not send in logs

There were about five who were guilty of this in 2011. This is a major pain in the butt. Why? All the other stations claim these stations as branch points. How am I to know if they worked the required number of stations if I have no logs?

For several stations I tediously went through submitted logs to tally up contacts made to see if they made sufficient contacts to be a branch point.

I chased two other stations via e-mail, and tracked another down via infoline, but that one was so late I had scored 90% of logs anyway. This last field station did meet the criteria but I did not count it as being a branch point, all entrants were penalised equally here.

What if you are confused / having difficulty scoring FD?
Contact me and I will gladly help. My e-mail address is at the end of the rules, or via NZART HQ.

This year I score an entry from a team that asked for help, and I will return the paperwork so they can do it themselves next year.

Confused Home stations?
Every year there seems to be a few stations that come and make a small number of contacts giving out a branch number. I seriously doubt that these are field stations. If you know any of the culprits at your local branch please tell them to give out '00 home station'.

Use of Branch Numbers
Over the last three years there has been some controversy around the use of branch numbers by a few field stations.

If you intend to use the branch number of a branch that is not in recess, make sure you clear things with that branch first.

If you intend to use the number of branch that is in recess it is a good idea to co-ordinate things through me first.

I have been able to help sort out potential clashes etc in advance, I am only too happy to do so.

The JWFD is not a place for local ham differences to be fought out.

Computer vs Hand written Logs
This subject is sometimes raised, and was again this year in a fairly rude fashion in an entry that was two weeks late (!).

This year I counted up the number of entries that were computer logged: they were outnumbered by more than two to one by hand logging.

Field day has the full spectrum from hardened experienced electronic logging operations through to a not inconsiderable number of once a year paper based teams. Electronic logging is perfectly OK, but electronic submission of logs will not work until everyone logs this way.

I suspect that if we made electronic logging compulsory for JWFD a lot of teams would not bother to enter.

Interestingly most of the top scoring teams use hand logging.

Stats
Of logs submitted there were 33 Field stations with about 180 operators.
There were the usual large teams at Manawatu and Whangarei.

Home stations were up this year, 6 from 3 last year.

Team Comments for 2011
1.. Our team cook made me gain a few pounds over the weekend.
2.. Who is the guy at ZL2QF who sends at 25 wpm and will not send slower when asked?!
3.. The February quake scattered my team far and wide this year, with me being the only one left.
4.. The weekend's activities were a welcome break from the quake, and it was good to carry on with some sort of "normality" after the recent events in Christchurch.
5.. Good propagation on 40m, with good DX Saturday night. 80m not as good during the day as last year.
6.. Much improved 40m conditions
7.. Good weather- a splendid weekend
8.. Could have done with a few more VKs
9.. A good group of operators made for a relaxing FD
10.. Standard of CW operating "chronic"
11.. Fine weather for once
12.. I think we got a new guy hooked
13.. Several new members were "blooded" and they enjoyed their participation
14.. I was absolutely amazed at how well I got around the country (QRP station)
15.. Comments made during the station "tear down" all concerned next year, so we'll be back, and on CW or bust!
16.. A good time on the radio with a noise level of zero had lots of fun!!
17.. Lightning storm between 1930 and 2030 with 800 cloud to cloud, but out in the country the flashes were most disconcerting
18.. We lost an hour or so on Saturday on 80 when our diction leader had to pack up and go to Christchurch to help with Red Cross
19.. Great fellowship and fun with club members and competitors
20.. Branch 22 had the pleasure of a Canterbury quake refugee joining their tem
Valid Branch Points (Multipliers)
There were a total of 88 available for field stations, 92 for home stations:

(Four less for field stations, as they cannot claim their own branch number)

80 Phone:(Max 35): 01 02 03 04 08 10 11 12 13 18 19 20 21 22 25 27 28 30 33 37 40 42 46 47 50 58 63 64 65 69 81 83 86 87 88

80 CW (Max 17) 01 02 03 11 12 19 20 22 25 27 28 30 40 46 65 87 88

40 Phone (Max 27) 01 02 08 10 11 12 18 20 21 22 23 25 27 28 30 33 37 46 50 58 63 64 81 83 86 87 88

40 CW (Max 13) 01 02 12 20 22 25 27 28 30 40 46 87 88

Top Scoring Home Station
Jakey, ZL2JKY took the honors here with a very respectable score.

Home submitted logs were double last year's entry.

Check Logs
Received with thanks from: ZL2RFL, ZL3BN and ZL2GV

See you all next year on the 25th and 26th February

73s

Stuart Watchman

ZL2TW

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Ukrainian Radio Amateurs Lose Many Frequencies and Bands UPDATE
Found out more info, an example why our webmaster should be careful not to promulgate snippets of news that is (maybe) not factual correct and complete, and has no authority or words mentioned from the other society.

*Important *update by Euvgen UW5ZM:
These rules only apply for new hams. We all have authorization papers in our hands where itï¿½s written what our band plan is, and the date when this authorization paper ends (red marker).

For example this is the authorization papers of UY0ZG

http://noolru.org.ua/images/raznoe/uy0zgdozvil.jpg

It means that many Ukrainian hams do have permission to work on 10100-10150kHz, 14250-14350kHz for 2013-2015.

Management of UARL has promised us that the mistake about our new band plan is only a mistake and all will be ok shortly.

Regards,
Steve, ZL1TPH

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A New Way For Amateur Radio
Then we should take the same expertise developed in the analogue world and branch into the digital age, is my suggestion.

The key to kids, students these days is the development of Digital Signal Processing followed by computing ability - all radio engineers these days are expected to understand such concepts.

Take for example:http://www.fpga4fun.com/ They have tutorials, development boards available. (FPG = field programmable gate [array])

There are other sites on DSP, however the important thing is the other concepts one has to fully understand to go with it: propagation techniques, transmission line theory and practice.

http://www.dspworks.in/products.html#

http://www.sgcworld.com/dspintrotechnote.html

http://logix4u.net/DSP/Tutorials/DSP_tutorial.html

I have recently attempting to put together a series on Direction Finding and as a result, I have had to grasp once again the history behind radio, the concepts, propagation, antenna's, and getting a grasp on DSP and how important Direction Finding is even to the modern world of electronics. Except they now talk about Angle of Arrival or Time of Arrival rather than purely direction of the signal. Plus how it relates to the modern intruders and interference sources all interrelated.

There are development boards, kits and plenty of ARDF type kits for VHF and 80 metre systems.

Or perhaps we can be cheeky and just ask some of the bigger companies, I am sure they would be impressed that we asked and therefore produce a breeding ground for new RF engineers for the future?

The same concepts are required from the analogue world, there is so much more we can achieve in Amateur Radio, we only have to reach out and grasp it.

Think about it, the ability to be a 1kHz away from another transmission using digital filters, whereas often you can hear another QSO 3 kHz down the band.

One does not have to give up the analogue world, but have a better understanding of it and how it relates to modern day systems.

My thought for the day.

73

de ZL1GWE

John

A Reply to ZL1GWE E-mail
I like your concept John.

It sounds attractive and workable to me.

I wonder how it can be developed further.

Maybe an introduction to ac, dc, waves and electronic components would be necessary.

The course could then be completed with filters, antennas, feed-lines and amateur radio practices.

I would like to put it in Infoline and on the web to see if it attracts comments and interest.

Regards

Jamie ZL2NN

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UH Conference Late Fee of $25 Applies From 10-MAY-2011
Hi All,
Just a reminder that the late payment penalty, of $25.00 starts from 10 May 2011, to all options for conference.

So if you are intending to use any of the payment options remember to get your payments in before 10 May 2011.

The late payment date will be strictly enforced and no excepts will be considered.

Mark ZL2UFI

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Russia Signs up to CEPT Licensing
Russia has become the latest nation to sign onto the pan-European CEPT licensing agreement. According to the IARU Region 1 website, the Russian State Radio Frequencies Commission decided in March that the Russian Federation would join both the CEPT and ECC Recommendation. This makes it possible for every CEPT licence holder to operate on the territory of the Russian Federation. There are a few caveats. Among them is that Russia will only permit such CEPT operation by a foreign station for a limit of three months, without any additional permission needed. Also, the callsign to be used in CEPT operations will be RA followed by the foreign amateur's personal call letters.

Don Wallace ZL2TLL NZART ALO

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US Ham Among Americans Killed in Kabul Attack
Breaking news from the CQ Newsroom

cq-amateur-radio.com

U.S. amateur James McLaughlin, WA2EWE/T6AF, was among the nine Americans killed in a shooting at Kabul airport Wednesday. Details are posted in the CQ Newsroom at: http://cqnewsroom.blogspot.com.

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New on The Web For MAY
Google maps have arrived for beacons and repeaters.

The map on the NZART Site (1), with all stations on it, will be replaced shortly with individual maps showing beacons, UHF stations including TV and 23 cm stations, VHF stations including 6 m stations, digipeaters and data stations, and the National System. These maps have basic information about each station.

The Web site in (2) has detailed information on each beacon and repeater. The next Infoline will have more details on the maps and proposed improvements.

I would like to ask for comments on the Google Maps compared to the maps on the NZART Web and in the Call Book. Do the Google Maps replace these maps? At least the Google map will allow me to check the location of each station and do corrections. I have found some errors already.

<1>http://www.nzart.org.nz/info/map-bp/new-testmap/
<2>http://www.vhf.org.nz/maps

Jamie ZL2NN

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NZART E-mail Groups Update
AREC-NZ@lists.nzart.org.nz_110
ALIAS <your callsign>@nzart.org.nz_361
BOP-AREC-GROUP@lists.nzart.org.nz_23
COUNCIL@lists.nzart.org.nz_11
COUNCILPLUSHQ@lists.nzart.org.nz_11
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Upcoming Events
1.. UPPER HUTT NZART Conference 2011 04/06-June-2011
http://www.nzart.org.nz/activities/events/2010-upper-hutt-conf/
Contest News
VHF/UHF/SHF Contest
Results of The Low Band Contest 2nd and 3rd April 2011
(6 metres, 2 metres and 70 centimetres)

One log was received and is therefore declared the winner!

Congratulation to Murray, ZL1HI, on Great Barrier island, for his fine solar-powered entry.

The band conditions were poor, with the ZL2 or ZL3 beacons not being detectable. The best DX on 6 metres was 80 km to ZL1AVZ, and 351 km to ZL2IP on 2 metres and 70 centimetres.

The full results can be found at: http://www.vhf.org.nz

Next Contest
The next contest is the Hibernation Contest, 50 MHz and up, on Saturday the 11th and Sunday the 12th of June 2011, the weekend after NZART Conference.

The contest after that is the Brass Monkey Contest, 50 MHz and up, on Saturday the 6th and Sunday the 7th of August 2011.

The operating times for both contests are: Saturday 1700 to 2300 NZST and Sunday 0700 to 1300 NZST.

All contest logs should be sent, to arrive within two weeks, to:

zl2wa@clear.net.nz with Contest Log in the subject line.

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Please think of the environment before printing this e-mail
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Housekeeping
1.. Break-In-Closing Date Reminder: Copy for the MAY/JUNE issue of Break-In-closes on 10-MAY-2011
2.. Copy for Break-In: Copy is welcome in most electronic formats but word.doc files are preferred. Photos and other graphics should be send as separate discrete files (*.jpg preferred); not as embedded pix in the body of the text. Please ensure that suitable descriptive captions/legends are included with your copy.
All received copy will be acknowledged to confirm receipt.
Thank you for your cooperation.
John Walker ZL3IB Editor.
3.. Break-In: Early receipt of copy is much appreciated
4.. Break-In-AREC Column: The close-of-copy date is the 03-MAY-2011 for articles for publication in the AREC COLUMN OF BREAK-IN. Photos, if available, to be on a separate floppy or CD (with captions), posted DIRECTLY TO US. Use Call Book address. All other material can go to e-mail: zl3qr@nzart.org.nz or zl3ov@nzart.org.nz
5.. The ARRL and WIA Weekly News
6.. Subscribe TO/FROM Infoline
Next NZART Official Broadcast is on SUNDAY 29-MAY-2011

Next HQ-Infoline e-mailed on SUNDAY 22-MAY-2011

Headquarters-Infoline is a twice-monthly bulletin of news from NZART Headquarters. News and items of a general or technical interest are also included. These are obtained from various sources. The bulletins are e-mailed directly to Branches, the amateur radio packet Bulletin Board Service and to others that subscribe through the NZART Website at: http://www.nzart.org.nz/join/e-mail-lists/join-infoline-list/

Regards, Jamie Pye ZL2NN, Editor zl2nn@nzart.org.nz

457. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 8th May 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-08 20:00:16 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20110508200006.1726133C5C@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4497
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 8th May 2011

Up-Coming IRTS Contests

1. CW Field Day Sat 4th/ Sun 5th June 2011. Log to be submitted by July 5th.

Calling all active VHF and Higher operators we are trying to get the 2010 Squares table finalized on IRTS.ie. So can anyone that was active on the VHF bands last year please send your Square totals or your log and I can work it out for you to EI2GLB /at/ hotmail / dot/.com. To see the squares table go to www.irts.ie and click on vhf/uhf/shf on the right side of the home page.

ComReg Spectrum Strategy

ComReg recently published a consultation paper entitled 'Review of the period 2008-2010 and Proposed Strategy for Managing the Radio Spectrum: 2011-2013'. The document is ComReg Document 11/28 and is available on the Publications section of the ComReg website at www.comreg.ie . The Society will be submitting a response to the document which must be with ComReg before 24 May. Anyone who wishes to have observations included in the Society's response should forward them as soon as possible to Sean EI7CD at ei7cd / at /gofree/dotindigo/dot/ie . While anyone may respond to ComReg public consultations it has been indicated to us by ComReg that a single response relating to the amateur service would be preferable.

Theory Examination

The next theory examination for the Harmonised Amateur Radio Examinbation Certificate (HAREC) will be held on Thursday, 7 July next at 2.00 p.m. in the ComReg offices in Dublin. The examination may also be held on that day at other centres if warranted by the number of candidates.

Full details, including entry procedure and examination fee, are available at www.irts.ie/exam

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Introduction to Amateur Radio the practical way

The Mayo Radio Experimenters Network plan on holding a series of practical, hands on, open days throughout the summer months, commencing Sunday May 8th. The events will start at 13.00 approx (weather permitting) and will take place on the following dates: Sunday May 8th Sunday June 12th Sunday July 10th Sunday August 14th Sunday September 11th Anyone with an interest in radio related matters, who would like to have the opportunity to participate or observe the operation of an amateur radio station, or meet club members, will receive a warm welcome. Whatever you're level of interest, the club will be pleased to help in taking your interest further, be it a complete novice, shortwave listener or formal assistance in progressing to a full amateur radio licence.

The locations will be chosen in the Mid Mayo area in order to encourage attendance from all parts of the County or further afield. If you would like further details including full details of locations please contact: Padraic Baynes EI9JA on 0876957154 (email pbaynes1/at/ eircom/ dot/net) , email David Hatfield EI3ECB on ei3ecb/ at/gmail/dot/com or text or phone the club mobile phone number 086 20 89 777

CASHOTA Ireland and UK Activity Weekend

There will be a weekend of activity for CASHOTA Uk and CASHOTA Ireland from 1 am Saturday the 28th of May until 11:59 pm Sunday the 29th of May. The event is open to anyone who wishes to activate a Castle or Stately Home. If you wish to activate a Castle or Stately Home please check out the CASHOTA Ireland site http://cashota-ireland.org/ for more details and how to get a number for your Castle. Please contact Steve EI5DD as soon as possible with details and a small paragraph of information about the castle concerned anlong with WAI square and county and this will be promoted on the CASHOTA website. This promises to be a good weekend for portable activity and if you have never tried it before here is a good opportunity. Maybe you could get your Radio Club interested in participation.

Shannon Basin Radio Club

The Shannon Basin Radio Club will be taking part in the Mills on the air weekend on the 14th and 15th May. They will be operating from Elphin Windmill in Co. Roscommon and using the call EI2EWM. Averyone is welcome to turn up over both days and enjoy the tour of the beautiful restored windmill aswell as operating a special event station.

2011 - Year of the outer space in Kazakhstan

UN - Special Event stations UN50, UO50, UP50, UQ50 will be active in Kazakhstan from April/2011 то May 31/2011 - of 50th Anniversary of the first human flight to outer space.

UN 50 SK - UN7GWC UO 50 G - UN2G UP 50 F - UN7FW UP 50 YG - UN7Z UQ 50 G - UN6QC UQ 50 L - UN7LZ UQ 50 P - UN7PL UP 50 ASTR - UN6GK UP 1 ASTR - UN0GL

Many special stations will be active in CQM Contest and UNDX Contest. To commemorate this event Kazakhstan information website "UN Amateur Radio News" together with Almaty Amateur Radio League have established a special award - "The Columbus of the Cosmos".

http://un-dx.ucoz.com/index/yuri_gagarin/0-36

Russia Sign Up to CEPT Licence

Russia has become the latest nation to sign up to the pan-European CEPT licensing agreement. According to the IARU Region 1 website, the Russian State Radio Frequencies Commission decided in March that the Russian Federation would join both the CEPT and ECC Recommendation. This will make it possible for every CEPT licence holder to operate on the territory of the Russian Federation. There are a few caveats. Among them is that Russia will only permit such CEPT operation by a foreign station for a limit of three months, without any additional permission needed. Also, the call sign to be used in CEPT operations will be RA followed by the foreign amateur's personal call letters.

The Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club

The Mid Ulster Amateur Radio club will be holding a foundation course over one weekend towards the end of May. The course is open to anyone who wishs to take the first step on the Amatuer radio ladder. if interested you must attend the registration night on Wed 4th May from 7.30pm til 8.30pm at the place initiatuve, ardress pk, portadown, bt62 3tp. more details can be found at www.muarc.com or by contacting Martin MI0YMF on 02832852712

The Mid Ulster Amateur Radio club will be holding its monthly meeting today the 8th May 2011 at 3pm, in Brownlow Resource Centre, Brownlow Road, Craigvon, bt65 5dl. Both Members and visitors are welcome.

The annual rally will be held on Sunday 22nd May. If anyone wishes to book a table or for more information, then please contact Brian 2I0TCA (Rally Coordinator) at cqmuarc/ at/ gmail/ dot/ com or via www.muarc.com

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DX News

Special prefixes will be used in Kazakhstan until the end of May to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the first manned space flight by Yuri Gargarin in 1961. Calls to look out for are UN50SK, UO50G, UP1ASTR, UP50ASTR, UP50F, UP50YG, UQ50G, UQ50L and UQ50P.

To celebrate the 85th Anniversary of the Club Radio Amateur de Quebec a special event callsign VC2CQ85 will be aired during the month of May. QSLs go via VE2CQ.

Another special callsign will be active from now until 20 May. This will be in Azerbaijan when the call 4JV3AM will be used to celebrate the 66th anniversary of the end of World War 2 and to honour the Azerbaijani hero Mamish Abdullayev.

Fred PA1FJ will be QRV as SV5/PA1FJ/P from the Island of Karpathos in the Dodecanese Islands until 14 May. This one counts as EU-001 for the IOTA programme and QSLs go via Fred's home call.

Macquarie Island is one of the rarer DXCC entities and in recent times there has been some activity from Kevin VK0KEV. The good news now is that Kevin will be joined by Denis ZL4DB who will be active from there as VK0/ ZL4DB until late July. Denis is new to DXing and will only be able to operate during his spare time.

CQ WPX Contest

Axel, EI8JX has received recognition by winning first place in the 2010, CW , World Wide WPX Contest for the single OP lower power 20 metres. He scored a total of 55,848 points. Congratulations.

Incursions into the 28mhz Band

Illegal church broadcasts have been heard on 28.265MHz in Germany and members are requested to listen on this frequency in order to identify the location. Please contact Ger McNamara EI4GXB IARUMS Co-ordinator on 087 2532512 or ei4gxb/ at/gmail/dot/com with any reports.

Limerick Radio Club

Limerick Radio Club will meet next Thursday evening 12 May in the Limerick Institute of Technology at 7.30pm and all are welcome to attend.

Dundalk Amateur Radio Society

The Annual General meeting of Dundalk Amateur Radio Society was held on Wednesday May 4th at QTHR. The following members have been elected to officer positions. Chairman is Thos EI2JD, Secretary is Aidan EI7JC, Treasurer is Jim 2I0SBI, PRO is Anthony Murphy EI2KC, QSL Manager is Brian EI9GTB. Club website is www.ei7dar.com

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Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

458. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1010

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-09 06:14:13 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <242482.76608.qm@smtp106.sbc.mail.bf1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 4498
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1010
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BID: $OPDX.1010
May 9, 2011
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, K1XN & GoList, NJ1Q, K2AU, NG3K & ADXO, N4AA & QRZ DX, W4VQ, KH6BZF, N6PSE, K8GI, K8IA, K8YSE, N8OFS, W8GEX (60m News), W9ILY, Algarve STAR DX Team, AT International, DL1SBF, DL7MAE & The DX News Letter, DxCoffee.com, DX-World.Net, EA4AK, EB7DX, F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX, HA0HW, HK1X, I1JQJ/IK1ADH & 425 DX News, JA1XGI, LU7YS, OK2BOB, OZ6OM & 50 MHz DX News, Pete's-DX-Newsdesk, PT7WA, RSGB IOTA Web Site, VA3RJ & ICPO, VE3ZZ and VHF-DX-Portal(MMMonVHF) for the following DX information.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 1st-May, through Sunday, 8th-May there were 226 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FR, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH8, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PY0T, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TN, TR, TT, TU, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZD9, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

8P, BARBADOS (Update). Fred, PY2XB, will be active as 8P9XB from St. Philip, Barbados (NA-021) between May 8-21st. Fred will be traveling with his family, so radio operations will be on a secondary basis. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and BPSK. Efforts

will be concentrated on 6 meters and the Digital modes. On 6m, Fred will run a beacon on 50.099 MHz while he is not operating. Please spot beacon on the DXClusters. Fred will use the traditional DX frequencies. Check QRZ.com under 8P9XB for the log and additional information during his stay. QSL via PT7WA.

9H, MALTA. Jasper, PB2JJ, will be active as 9H3JN from Malta between September 2-14th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign.

A5, BHUTAN. Zorro, JH1AJT, will be active from here during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via JH1AJT.

C2, NAURU (Update). The Pacific-DXer's Web page is reporting that the C21A DXpedition dates have been decided, and plans are progressing. The operation will take place between November 13th and December 7th. Operations will be led by Bill, VK4FW, with liaison support by Eddie VK4AN. They expect to have 6 operators and 3 stations active on all bands 160-6 meters using CW/SSB/RTTY/PSK31. They will also participate in the CQWW DX CW Contest as a M/M or M/2 entry. QSLing will be handled by the Pacific DXers.

C4, CYPRUS. Operators Valentin/5B4AGM, Alex/5B8AD, Alex/RV6LNA, Vlad/UA6LV, Oleg/UA6LP, Kantor/RA6LFO and Oleg/UA9CDV will be active as C4N during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 28-29th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via W3HNK. Visit the contest station's Web page at: http://www.c-4-n.com

CQ55, PORTUGAL (Special Event). Members of the Algarve STAR DX Team will be active as CR55PQ from the inside of Portuguese Airborne Troops School between May 21-23rd. Activity is to celebrate 55th years of (Para-Quedistas) at this military school. Operators mentioned are Miguel/CT1EHX, Toze/CT1GFK and Mike/CT1IUA. Operations will be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via CT1EHX, by the Bureau or direct. For updates and more details, see the Web page at: http://algarvedx.com

DAYTON HAMVENTION NEWS. Send us your HamVention hospitality room information for next week's issue......

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, Awards Branch Manager, reports that the following is approved for DXCC credit:
4A4A • Revillagigedo; 2011 Operation

ADDED NOTE: OPDX was informed by Santos, EA4AK, that "the 4A4A QSL card is just amazing, '8 pages'... 'A MUST HAVE'!!" See the JPGs of the QSL here: https://picasaweb.google.com/EA4AK.Santos/4A4AQSLCARD#
The QSL Manager for 4A4A is EB7DX: http://www.eb7dx.com
http://www.revillagigedo2011.com

FJ, SAINT BARTHELEMY. Wim, ON4CIT, will be active as FJ/OS1T from Saint Barthelemy (NA-146) between May 14-22nd. Activity will be on 40-6 meters using mainly SSB and RTTY, with some CW on 10 meters. QSL via ON4CIT. For more information, visit Web site at: http://cendyshop.be/FJ-OS1T.html

HK0/M, MALPELO ISLAND. From a press release sent out by Pedro, HK1X, head of the DXARC Public Relations, indicates that the "Dxcolombia Amateur Radio Club" (DXARC) is officially announcing a DXpedition to Malpelo Island in 2012. Effort were made possible thanks to the arrangements conducted by Jorge Prieto, HK1R. With the special Colombian Ministry license, HK0NA, they plan to be active during the first semester of 2012. The team is currently working day by day strategically/logistically in making arrangements for international DXers to work Malpelo DXpedition 2012, and to make expedition history. The team will consists of 4 foreign and 8 Colombians. The current list of operators are Jorge/HK1R (Team Leader), Jahm/HK1T, Pedro/HK1X, Franz/DJ8ZB, Bolmar/HK1MW and Jaime/HK1N. Activity will be on 160-6 meters (including 30/17/12 meter bands) using CW, SSB and RTTY, with at least 3 stations on the air at the same time on different bands and modes. More details will be forthcoming. Look for periodical updates on the following Web pages at: http://www.dxarc.org
http://hk0na.wordpress.com

HS, THAILAND. Tony, E21IZC, will be active as HS7AT during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 28-29th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m) entry. QSL via E21IZC, direct.

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-081. Member of the GyeongNam DX Club will be active as 6M0W/5 from Kadok Island, South Korea, between June 4-7th. Operators mentioned are Choi/6K5AQY, Kim/6K5AYC, Ha/6K5BHZ, Soo/HL5BMX, Kim/HL2FDW, Sang/DS4NMJ, Kim/HL2DYS and Kei/HL2UVH. QSL via HL5BMX.

AS-084. Operators Han/DS2GOO, Yongsup/DS3GLW, Rew/DS4NYE, Rocky/HL1VAU and Jung-man/DS4CDA will be active as D9K from Chuja Island between June 4-6th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY.

EU-105. Operators Joel/F1BLQ, Michel/F5EOT, Eric/F5LOW, Laurent/F5MNK and Bertrand/F6HKA will be active as TM0Z from Batz Island between May 21-26TH. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via F5EOT, direct or by the Bureau. For more details, go to:
http://www.frag33.org/www.cdxg.org/homeuk.html

EU-140. Jari, OH1JO, will once agin be active as OH1K from Kaunissaari Island between July 27th and August 4th. Activity will be be 20 meters, but other bands will also be used too. For more details see QRZ.com. QSL via OH1JO.

NA-029. Gregg, VE3ZZ, will once again be active as VE3ZZ/VY2 on Prince Edward Island (CISA PE-001, WLOTA 0523, WW Loc: FN76vs) between July 25th and August 1st, from the VY2TT superstation. In the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st), he will operate as a Single-Op/Mix-Mode/24HRS/High-Power. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

NA-091. Klaus, DK6AO, will be active as VE7/DK6AO from Quadra Island between May 30th and June 7th. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. For possible online logs, more details and updates, watch the following Web page at: http://www.dk6ao.de

OC-119. A group of 3-4 Philippine operators are planning DXpedition to the rare Jolo IOTA group sometime later this month. Dates to be confirmed and will be announced later. Operators are hoping to use the callsign DX8DX or DX8J, or possibly DU8/homecalls. More details are forthcoming.

OC-187. Aki, JA1NLX, is planning to operate as JA1NLX/VK4 from Lizard Island for three or four days in August (dates not finalized). Activity will be on the HF bands using CW and SSB. Lizard Island is located about 240Km north of Cairns. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau or LoTW. For updates, see Aki Blog page at: http://ja1nlx-aki.blogspot.com

SA-045. Operators Orlando/PT2OP and Fred/PY2XB plan to activate an island in the Amapa State Group, in August, during the second fortnight (second week). The Amap State is in the extreme northern part of Brazil, and the islands in SA-045 are located in the northern hemisphere. Amap has few Hams and the state is highly requested by colleagues who wish to achieve the diploma "Worked All Brazil" (WAB). It has been a long time since an Island in IOTA SA-045 was activated. Last month (April), Orlando traveled to Macapa, capital of the Amapa state, to talk with the environmental authorities and to get information about the region because the islands are part of a biological reserves under environmental protection. He also did a survey of what should be taken as luggage since those islands are uninhabited. Other than radio equipment, they will have to take food, fuel for both the generator and obtain a boat for the operation. The second fortnight of August was chosen due to the HF propagation forecast, the climate conditions of the region and the moon season which affects the sea tide and the opportunities to reach the islands. They will soon announce more details of the expedition including its callsigns.

J48/SV8, GREECE (IOTA Op). Laci, HA0HW, will once again be active as J48HW and SV8/HA0HW from Thassos Island (IOTA: EU-174, GIOTA: NAS-037, MIA: MG-124, WLOTA: LH-4186, QRA: KN20HS) between May 26th and June 5th. He will operate mainly CW, with some SSB, RTTY and PSK31 as well, on the HF bands (mainly on 40/30/20/17 meters) and on 6 meters. He will enter the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 28-29th) as J48HW. His rigs are a FT-840 with a MOS-FET amplifier and an IC-706 (for 6m only). Antennas are a monoband Gps and dipoles on fishing poles. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the HA Bureau.

JX, JAN MAYEN (Update/Changes). The Jan Mayen DXpedition set between July 6-14th, 2011, (see OPDX.949 and OPDX.994) and led by Stan, SQ8X,

has announced their group's callsign has been changed instead of JX7VPA as first announced. They received the privilege to activate the island under the unique, special callsign JX5O thanks to the assistance and support of the LA5O Ringsj&#65533;en Contest Club founded by Rag LA6FJA and Svein LA5FHA. Following Norwegian regulations, the usage of the callsign has been arranged at Norwegian Post & Telecom by the Club&#65533;s committee. Currently, the team consists of: Stan/SQ8X (team leader), Pete/SQ9DIE, Vicky/SV2KBS, Leszek/NI1L, Tomek/SQ9C, Bernie/HB9ASZ, J&#65533;n/TF3ZA, Bj&#65533;rn/ SM0MDG and Tom/SQ9C. The group plans to be on the air for 8 days with 2-3 stations. Stan also states, "Due to polar summer season at Jan Mayen Island with broad daylight 24/7, the team will not operate on 160-80 meters &#65533; those bands will be totally dead at that time. The DXpedition will focus on 30-6 meters, and our main modes will be CW and RTTY/PSK, with some SSB if conditions will be good enough to operate as much as we wish to. The team will also check conditions on the 40m band, but the band may also be not usable at that time of the year. The team will have a professional TV crew on board that will prepare a broadcast documentary about the project and the island." Updated details and QSL route are available on the following Web page at: http://janmayen2011.org

KH2/NH2, GUAM. Dave, N2NL, will be active as NH2T from Guam (OC-026) during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/ High-Power entry. He is expected to be here until the summer of 2013. Dave will be active (outside of contests) as KH2/N2NL and during all contests as NH2T. QSL via LoTW or via W2YC.

KH4, MIDWAY ISLAND. Joe, W5FJG (ex-EL2JM, JY9ZK, ST2JM, 7Z1AC) is now on Midway Island (OC-030) and is working on the island as the Chief Communications Officer for at least one year. He plans to be active as KH4/W5FJG starting the last week in May. Activity will be on 40-10 meters (possibly 80m if he can get a good vertical to the Island) using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. At the present time, Joe has only an Icom 7000 (but no power supply or antennas), but will probably have additional equipment shipped to him later. His antennas system will be modest at first, and hopes to be on the air by June 1st. Antennas have to be installed so that there is minimal impact to the island's bird population. Joe's operating times will vary during the week and weekends. He mentions that he is setting up a Web site that will contain some information about the Island and post operating schedules. Over time, Joe intends to set up a long term station on the Island so Midway will remain on the air long after he has gone. Joe is looking for any donations of multiband verticals, as well as a QSL Manager. If you&#65533;re interested in being his QSL Manager, please contact him at: joeyjeepusa@yahoo.com
More information is forthcoming soon.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (May 9-15th)....
May 09 AN SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS
May 10 AN --------------------
May 11 AN BN - Below Normal
May 12 AN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET

May 13 AN LN - Low Normal
May 14 AN-HN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
May 15 AN-HN DIS - Disturbed
VDIS - Very Disturbed

GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

LU, ARGENTINA (Special Op). Members of the Radio Club de los Andes (LU8YE) will be active as LU8YE/Y from a special operation from the shores of Meliquina Lake, located at 45 KM from the city of San Martin de los Andes, from the hotel Amancio (www.amanciohotel.com.ar) between May 20-22nd. Activity will be on the HF bands, 80-10 meters using CW and SSB. Contacts are valid for the Neuqu&#65533;n Club Radio Program "Lakes and Ponds of Neuqu&#65533;n
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For national contacts, QSL via LU8YE. For DX contacts, QSL via Manager EA7FTR. Visit the LU8YE Web page at: http://www.lu8ye.com.ar

NEWLY ELECTED OFFICERS FOR 2011-2012. The present officers of the Arizona Outlaws Contest Club continues for another term, through May 31st, 2012:
Bob Epstein, K8IA - President
Dick Zalewski, W7ZR - North Region VP
Mike Fulcher, KC7V - Central Region VP
Dave Gilbert, AB7E - South Region VP
Sandy Farley, N7RQ - Secretary/Treasurer

In addition, Sandy, N7RQ, continues as Webmistress for their Web site <http://www.arizonaoutlaws.net> and John Arthurs, K7WP, continues as their "Special Projects" guru.

OY, FAROE ISLANDS. Operators Hans/PA0VHA, Steef/PA2A and Wim/PA2AM will be active as OY/homecall from Skaelingur, Streymoy Island, in the Faroes (EU-018), between May 22nd and June 3rd. Activity will be on all bands using CW and RTTY. Also, look for activity on 6 and 4 meters, and PA2AM will also be on AO-51 satellite. Streymoy Island has a population of 11 and some sheep! QSL via their home callsigns. ADDED NOTE: This team also plans activity from Market Reef later this year.

PACIFIC TOUR. Operators Pista/HA5AO and George/HA5UK plan to activate the following islands between October 1st and November 15th: Fiji, Tuvalu, Western Kiribati and possibly Banaba. The following callsigns have been requested and are pending: 3D2UK, T2HA, T30HA and T33HA. Activity is planned for 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY modes. They will have two stations on the air simultaneously. A log search and more details are forthcoming at: http://ha5ao.novolab.hu
QSL via HA5AO, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW.

PP0T, TRINDADE ISLAND (Update). Junior, PY2ZA, showed up on the air as PP0T after last week's bulletin went out. Jerry, N4JF, informed OPDX that Junior is working at a military base and has to follow some very strict rules of operating time and conditions. He is using military equipment that does not have split capabilities. This is why he is always simplex. Jerry states, "He (Junior) is using two FT-990 from the Navy.. This is not a normal DXpedition. When operating split he uses one for RX and the other for TX. He frequents 28.495 MHz SSB." Keep watching the Web page for possible updates: http://trindade2011.com

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated May 8th)

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2R0GTE via 2E0GTE HI5MLE via EA6SK RP66L via RO1B
4JV6NS via 4K4K HR5/N2WB via N2OO RP66LR via RX1CQ
4L1FL via EA7FTR II3AC via IK3GES RP66NOZ via RD6A
6W2SC via HA3AUI JW6VJA via LA6VJA RP66R/P via RX3F
6W/EA1BT via EA1BT (direct) KS0C/KH2 via KS0C RP66S via RV3LZ
A65BM via W4JS LZ66P via LZ1BJ RP66SW via RM4A
AH0/AB2RF via JJ2RCJ LZ855SRKM via LZ1KZA RP66VA via UA3LIU
CE2/VE7SV via VE7WY MR0CEF via DL2LFH RP66W via RK3QWW
EA6UN via SP4AOQ (Bureau) NH0J via JQ2GYU RP66WG via RO1A
EM5U/P via UT2UB (direct/Bureau) OE4E via OE2GEN SM3/EA8CN via
EA8CN
EM44U via UT7UT OE6KIDS via OE6WIG SN0JP2SS via
SP9PKZ
EO66JP via UU4JXZ OL100VP via OK1DRQ TA4/OZ4CP via
OZ4CP
ER9V via ER1DA OM55TV via OM3MB UK8OM via 4Z5OG
(direct)
FM/F6ARC via FE11DX (direct/Bureau) P29CW via VK2IR V5/HB9DRI via
HB9DRI
GM/DH5JBR/P via DH5JBR PC65ISWL via PA0FAW V5/HB9PHJ via
HB9PHJ
GR0PZA via G0PZA PJ2/KE1B via KE1B VK6/DJ7JC via
DJ7JC
GR3SVK via G3SVK PJ2/W6NN via W6NN XV2LU via JA7LU
GR3TXF via G3TXF PJ7/WW4CP via WW4CP YL11WCA via YL2IU
GR4PRB via EI7CC RN9N via RN9MA YP5WFF via YO5OAG
GS3PYE/P via M0VFC RP66D via UA3DPX ZA/LZ1UQ via
LZ1UQ
HF45BRP via SP9BRP RP66KND via UA4AJD ZA/LZ2HM via
LZ2HM

QSL ROUTE CHANGE. As of April 18, 2011, Buzz, NI5DX, will no longer be assisting 9M6JC as QSL Manager. John has decided to handle the QSL duties himself. Please do NOT send any 9M6JC cards to NI5DX either direct or via the Bureau. It appears that the loss of a large parcel of QSL cards that Buzz sent to 9M6JC containing cards for both John and Tom, 9M6TMT, has caused the two to decide to handle their own

paperwork, hopefully avoiding the future loss of cards.

QSLS BEING SENT TO EA7FTR AND EB7DX. David, EB7DX, informs OPDX that QSL processing by him and his father will be slowing down due to a serious family illness (his mother is in the hospital). They hope you can understand the situation. Thanks for understanding.

LOG ONLINE. The log for the special event callsign, TM26UFT, to celebrate the 26th Annual Meeting of the French CW Society, the Union Fran&#65533;aise des
T&#65533;l&#65533;graphistes UFT is online at: http://www.uft.net

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 4A4A, 4A0IARU, 4J3M, 6V6U, 6W6/K3IPK, 9M2CNC, 9N7AN, CP6XE, DF5KE, F5SIB, FG4NO, FO8RZ, G0WRE, HK6K, JY5CC, OX3XR, P40V, P49V, P40YL, PJ4R, PZ5YV, SN3S, SV1EBV, TA3X, UA6JAJ, UT3IB, UX0FF, VE3XN, W0S, YW0DX and ZS6BCR

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 1A0KM, 9L0W, 9M2CNC, CT3FT, D2CQ, D44TBE, DK1MAX, EA6SX, J28RO, J5NAR, JY4NE, KP4DKE, LX/SP1DPA, LX1DA, OD5NJ, OY1CT, P40V, P49V, PJ2T, PJ4A, PJ4B, TJ3AY, V44KAI, V85AVE, VK5MAV/5, VU4PB, XX9TLX, YS0IARU, Z22CW, ZD9T, ZF2LC, ZL50VK and ZL8X

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 3D2NB, 3W6C, 5K0CW, 5W0YA, 9Q/DK3MO, 9U1VO, 9X0LX, A25OOK, BD9AC, C56SMT, H40FN, JW/OZ7AM, P29VCX, PY2XB/PY0F, S79UCX, T27A, T88RP, TX1B, V63PR, VY0O and VY0V

SM, SWEDEN. A group of operators from the Czech Republic, belonging to the radio clubs OK1ONA/OL1C and OK1KCU, will be active from Sweden between May 14-21st. Team members are OK1IEC, OK1IPS, OK1FPQ, OK1UZW, OK1JAX, OK1JST and OK1HWS. They will stay in a cottage near Vaggeryd. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes with two stations on the air. Operators will use their home callsigns according to CEPT. QSL via their home callsigns or via OK1ONA/OL1C. A special QSL card will be sent for each QSO. For more info, see: http://www.ol1c.cz

SV9, CRETE. Operators Jindrich/OK1AMM, Franta/OK1HH and Bohumil/OK2BOB will be active as SV9/homecall/p from Agia Marina (Grid. Loc. KM15XM) on the Island of Crete (EU-015) between 1200z, May 17th and 0300z, May 28th. Activity will be on all bands (mainly 17/12/10/6 meters) using CW and SSB. The group will operate some days from Gramvousa Island or Gavdos Island (IOTA EU-187). QSL via their home callsigns.

T2, TUVALU (Also 3D2). Haru, JA1XGI, will be active as T2XG from Tuvalu (OC-015) between May 17-24th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters (especially 30/17/12m) using mainly CW, with some SSB and the Digital modes. He will also be on 6 meters. Also, look for Haru before and after his T2XG activity from Fiji (during his stop overs) signing 3D2XG. QSL via JA1XGI. For more details and updates, visit his Web page at:
http://island.geocities.jp/t2xgtuvalu

T6, AFGHANISTAN (Cancelled). Paul, N6PSE, Co-Leader of the T6PSE DXpedition, sent out the following press release (#3) on May 2nd: "The Intrepid-DX Group has been planning for many months to conduct a large multi-

national DXpedition from Kabul, Afghanistan as T6PSE.
* We had been receiving advice and assistance from Jim McLaughlin,
WA2EWE/T6AF, who was killed in Kabul earlier this week.
* The Taliban subsequently announced their 'Spring Offensive'.
* Last night, President Obama announced the killing of Osama Bin Laden.

Given these circumstances, and with careful consideration, we have
decided to cancel our plans for a DXpedition from Afghanistan. There is
just too much uncertainty in the region for us to continue to move forward
with our plans.
In the next several weeks I will refund all donor/sponsor monies that
have been given to support our plans..... Thank you, Paul S. Ewing-N6PSE"

V2, ANTIGUA. Pete, KB2DY, will be active as V25GP from May 7-17th (possibly
longer). Activity will mainly be FM on 6 meters using a Yaesu VX5-R (at 5w)
along with a Diamond SRH940 antenna on 52.525 MHz. He will be staying in
Grid Square FK97BD and FK97BC, BUT may be operating from any of the
following grids: FK97CD, FK97BD, FK97BC, FK97BB, FK97CA, FK97CB, FK97DC
and FK97DB. QSL via his home callsign.

VK9C, COCOS (KEELING) ISLANDS (Update). Wally, VK6YS, member of the South
Pacific Contest Club, will be active as VK9CI from Cocos (Keeling) Island
OC-003) for one week between June 1-7th. Activity will be limited because he
will be on holiday with his wife Gaye. Operations will be early local
mornings and through the evenings on 40-10 meters, propagation permitting.
Using his IC7000, he plans to concentrate on the Digital modes, mainly
PSK31 and with some RTTY and Olivia. QSL via VK6YS.

VP9, BERMUDA. Operators Ray/ND8L and Jamie/WW3S will once again be active
as VP9I from Ed/VP9GE's QTH for the CQWW RTTY DX Contest (September
24-25th). QSL via N1HRA. Outside of the contest, look for them to be
active as VP9/WW3S and VP9/ND8L. QSL via LoTW or SASE to their CBA.

XV, VIETNAM (IOTA Op). Igor, UY5LW, will be active as XV4LW from Phu Quoc
Island (AS-128) between May 9-18th. Activity will be on the 17/12 meter
bands and also 6 meters. He will use his FT-100D into a 3 element yagi
for 17/12m, a simple vertical for 10m and a yagi for 6m. QSL via his home
callsign.

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new
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following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send
mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE
OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=help>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>

Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
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459. [ADMIN] Facebook gateway/update page for rec.radio.info now available

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-09 16:17:11 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <iq92c5$3rj$1@reader1.panix.com>
Source record: 4499
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A Facebook gateway is now available for the rec.radio.info Usenet newsgroup.

On your Facebook account, the gateway provides links on your Facebook news feed to rec.radio.info articles that are available on Google Groups. There are also links on this page to the other two radio-related newsgroups that have similar Facebook pages, ba.broadcast.moderated and rec.radio.broadcasting.

Search for the following Facebook page:

rec.radio.info (Usenet Newsgroup)

All you have to do is "Like" this page to receive updates on Facebook. You can also suggest the page to your friends through the usual Facebook methods.

It should be noted that what appears on the Facebook page is links to Google Groups. You will still have to go to Google Groups (or to your regular newsreader) to see the actual articles. This is a notification feed only. Due to occasional delays with article Message-ID index updates on Google Groups, the links to Google Groups may not be immediately available. Still, it might be a useful way to introduce the newsgroups to those not familiar to Usenet by using technology that might be more familiar to them (Facebook). Instead of doing the sometimes hard work of convincing folks to sign up for news access, or to check Google Groups, all you have to do is invite them to the Facebook page.

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to rec-radio-info-request@panix.com, which is the default Followup-To address for this article.

460. The ARRL Letter for May 5, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-09 23:15:40 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20110509195324.C76FC26C800@bmail.arrl.org>
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==> + PUBLIC SERVICE: NORTHERN FLORIDA HAMS RESPOND TO AFTERMATH OF
ALABAMA STORM

After the devastating storms that swept through Alabama last week
<http://www.arrl.org/news/tornadoes-and-thunderstorms-keep-radio-amateurs-bus
y-in-midwest-southeast>,
radio amateurs from the ARRLs' Northern Florida Section -- at the
invitation of ARRL Alabama Section Emergency Coordinator Greg Gross,
K4GR - are making their way to Alabama to assist with providing
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assistance. "We contacted Greg and worked out a disaster operation assignment," ARRL Northern Florida Section Manager Paul Eakin, KJ4G, told the ARRL. "We have already sent two teams to Alabama and have five others on stand-by. This was a very damaging tornado and it will be very long time before everything is cleared up." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/northern-florida-hams-respond-to-aftermath-of-alabama-storm>.

==> PUBLIC SERVICE: GEORGIA HAMS HASTEN TO HELP DURING STORMS

Hams in Paulding County -- located in Georgia's northwestern corner -- activated for the tornadoes and thunderstorms that swept through the South last week. According to Paulding County ARES® Public Information Officer Lee McDaniel WB4QOJ, the County's Emergency Management Agency invited ARES® members to gather at the county's Emergency Operations Center on the evening of April 26 to help provide communications support. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/georgia-hams-hasten-to-help-during-storms>.

==> + HAMS HELPING HAMS: THE ARRL'S HAM AID PROGRAM RESPONDS TO DEVASTATED SOUTH

The ARRL's Ham Aid Fund has been tapped to aid Amateur Radio operations in Alabama, following the wake of destructive killer tornadoes that ravaged the state last week. According to ARRL Chief Development Officer Mary Hobart, K1MMH, hams in Alabama have requested radios and antennas, since cell tower sites and repeaters have been damaged and are not yet back up. "The ARRL has already shipped five cases to the state, full of 2 meter, 440 MHz and HF radios, as well as two cases of handheld transceivers with batteries," she said. "We anticipate the demand for equipment may continue from Alabama and possibly from neighboring states."

Hobart said that she knows that not every ham can be in Alabama to help out, but every ham can support the effort -- by contributing to the ARRL's Ham Aid Fund: "First created in response to Hurricane Katrina in 2005, the Ham Aid Fund has enabled ARRL to provide vital communication equipment to devastated areas along the Gulf Coast. Now the fund is purchasing equipment and funding shipping costs to meet the needs of hams in Alabama, as well as our served agencies such as the Southern Baptist Men's Kitchen and the American Red Cross."

How can you help? Hobart said that the best way is to make a contribution of $25, $10 or $5 -- or whatever you can afford. The ARRL will use your contribution to respond to the calls for assistance from Amateur Radio operators where repeaters, antennas and radios have been damaged or destroyed. "And this event may be just the beginning," she explained. "As hurricane season is on the horizon, we need to be prepared for those situations when all else fails. The easiest way to make your donation is on the ARRL website <http://www.arrl.org/donate>. Use the simple form and designate your contribution to the ARRL Ham Aid Fund. We'll put your gift to work right away in the affected area. On

behalf of the ham community in Alabama, thank you!"

==> + FCC NEWS: FCC SEEKS TO RAISE THE FEE FOR VANITY CALL SIGNS

The FCC released a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking on May 3, seeking to raise the fee for Amateur Radio vanity call signs. Currently, a vanity call sign costs $13.30 and is good for 10 years; the new fee, if the FCC plan goes through, will go up to $14.20 for 10 years, an increase of 90 cents. The FCC is authorized by the Communications Act of 1934 (as amended) to collect vanity call sign fees to recover the costs associated with that program. The vanity call sign regulatory fee is payable not only when applying for a new vanity call sign, but also upon renewing a vanity call sign for a new term. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-seeks-to-raise-the-fee-for-vanity-call-signs>.

==> HAYS AFFINITY GROUP PROVIDES ARRL MEMBERS WITH EQUIPMENT PROTECTION, CLUB LIABILITY INSURANCE PLANS

Effective May 1, 2011, the ARRL began a new partnership to provide its ARRL-sponsored Equipment Insurance and Club Liability Insurance plans. The League has signed an agreement with Hays Affinity Group to serve as the program administrator to provide equipment insurance to its members who choose to elect coverage. In addition, Hays will also provide club liability insurance to ARRL Affiliated Clubs for those clubs that wish to take advantage of that program. Hays will be replacing Marsh Affinity Group Services as the program's administrator and has introduced new policies for both plans, underwritten by the Hanover Insurance Company. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/hays-affinity-group-to-provide-arrl-members-with-equipment-protection-club-liability-insurance-plans>.

==> + CHECK OUT THE JUNE ISSUE OF QST

The June issue of QST is jam-packed with all sorts of things that today's Amateur Radio operator needs. From product reviews to experiments to contesting -- including a special look at ARRL Field Day, the most popular on-the-air event in Amateur Radio -- this issue of QST has something for just about everyone.

Radio amateurs who operate ARRL Field Day know that portability is key. So with this in mind, Bob Dixon, W8ERD, took some military surplus mast sections to make "A One Person, Safe, Portable and Easy to Erect Antenna Mast." Consider Dixon's approach to your Field Day antenna installation -- especially if you're short of trees. Some wattmeters give you power, while others measure SWR. QST Technical Editor Joel Hallas, W1ZR, tells you how to bring them together in his article "SWR, Reflected Power -- What Do They Mean?" In his article "A Single Element Vertical 'Beam,'" David Robbins, K7BKI makes a directional antenna out of a single monopole.

One of the highlights of a Field Day operation is the Get-on-the-air -- or GOTA -- Station. This is a great way to introduce non-hams to the fun of Amateur Radio, as well as to get those less experienced hams a

bit more comfortable on the air. Gary Pearce, KN4AQ, and Dick Orander, KD4ISC, know that the GOTA Station is the perfect spot to find new ops in search of an Elmer. Discover how you, too, can do this in their article "Get Up and Get-On-The-Air." ARRL Membership and Volunteer Programs Department Assistant Manager Norm Fusaro, W3IZ, knows that Field Day means more than just getting on the radio; it's also about the friendships that persevere through the years. In his article "Field Day: It's Not About the Fish," Fusaro tells the story of how Field Day brought two hams together after half a decade of radio friendship.

ARRL Emergency Preparedness and Response Manager Mike Corey, W5MPC, takes a look at the Alinco DX-SR8T HF transceiver in this month's Product Review. He says that this rig "is a low cost HF transceiver that includes a good selection of the basic features for the casual operator." ARRL Educational Correspondent Dewey Rykard II, KI4RGD, checks out the TYT TH-UVF1 dual band handheld transceiver. He says this compact radio "offers a good basic set at a nice price. The user interface and instructions need work, but the radio works well once you have figured out how to program and use it."

Steve London, N2IC, delivers the results of the 2010 ARRL November Phone Sweepstakes. This year, 287 stations earned the ever-elusive Clean Sweep, five more than in 2009. Gary Breed, K9AY, has the results of the 2010 ARRL 160 Meter Contest. According to Breed, the ARRL Contest Branch received a record number of logs from DX stations for this year's running.

Of course, there are the usual columns you know and expect in the June QST: Happenings, Hints & Kinks, The Doctor Is IN, How's DX, Vintage Radio and more. Look for your June issue in your mailbox. QST is the official journal of ARRL, the national association for Amateur Radio. QST is just one of the many benefits of ARRL membership. To join or renew your ARRL membership, please see the ARRL Web page <https://www.arrl.org/join>.

==> + AMATEUR RADIO IN THE CLASSROOM: COLLEGE STUDENTS ATTEMPT HIGH ALTITUDE BALLOON LAUNCH

The Amateur Radio club at Rochester Institute of Technology will be presenting a display of modern technology and applications with ham radio at the university's annual ImagineRIT <http://www.rit.edu/imagine/planyourday11/exhibit.php?id=214> festival on Saturday, May 7. Members of the RIT Amateur Radio Club, K2GXT, have constructed a custom High Altitude Balloon <http://www.rit.edu/imagine/planyourday11/exhibit.php?id=214> that will be suspended below a weather balloon and launched up to 100,000 feet during the festival. The balloon will stream live data back to the exhibit, displaying information such as location, altitude and temperature. The planned launch will take place close to the beginning of the festival. The group will also be flying a 12 foot long custom radio-controlled blimp. This blimp has appeared several times at the RIT men's and women's hockey games this season.

==> ARRL IN ACTION: WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO LATELY?

Compiled by ARRL News Editor S. Khrystyne Keane, K1SFA

This feature is a concise monthly update of some of the things ARRL is doing on behalf of its members. This installment -- which covers the month of April -- looks at the latest with the FCC and ReconRobotics, sponsoring the Frequency Measuring Test, readying the OSCAR 1 satellite to take to the air again, reports from the Official Observer Desk and more. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-in-action-what-have-we-been-up-to-lately-33>.

==> + ON THE AIR: SPACE WEATHER PREDICTION CENTER TO DISCONTINUE BROADCASTS ON WWV AND WWVH

Beginning Tuesday, September 6, the Space Weather Prediction Center (SWPC <http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/index.html>) will cease broadcasting its geophysical alert message <http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/Data/index.html#reports> on WWV <http://www.nist.gov/pml/div688/grp40/wwv.cfm> and WWVH <http://tf.nist.gov/stations/wwvh.htm>. These messages inform listeners of the solar flux, the mid-latitude A and K indices and space weather storms, both current and predicted. Currently, the message is heard on minute 18 from WWV and minute 45 from WWVH. The information <http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/latest/wwv.txt> will still be available on the SWPC website. If you care to comment on this, or if you have any questions, the SPWC -- part of the National Weather Service (NWS <http://www.nws.noaa.gov/>) -- would like to hear from you <swpc.wwv@noaa.gov>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "And the Sun was always shining <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qkmvwCpcZlM>" Cook, K7RA, reports: Currently, five sunspot groups are visible, but the average daily solar flux is down more than 7 points over the past week, compared with the previous week. The average daily solar flux was off nearly five points compared to the earlier period. A solar wind stream from a coronal hole induced a high latitude geomagnetic storm at the end of April. Middle-latitude geomagnetic K indices measured at Fredericksburg, Virginia went as high as 4, and the April 30-May 2 A index was 17, 13 and 14. The planetary K index hit 5 on April 30, and the A index over the same three day period was 24, 19 and 20. High latitude areas were more sharply affected, and Alaska's college K index rose to 7; the same three day period saw the college A index at 43, 56 and 37. The latest prediction shows more geomagnetic active coming May 9-10, when the predicted planetary A index is 15. The USAF/NOAA prediction shows a planetary A index of 5 on May 5-6, 7 on May 7-8, 15 on May 9-10, 10 on May 11 and 5 on May 12-16, rising again to 15 on May 17. The sane prediction shows solar flux at 107 on May 5, 110 on May 6-8, 100 on May 9-12 and 115 on May 13-21. Look for more information -- including some observations on the beginning of the summer sporadic-E season, already underway, plus an update on the three month moving sunspot average --

on the ARRL website on Friday, May 6. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by the song They Call the Wind Mariah <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qkmvwCpcZlM> from the musical Paint Your Wagon <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Paint_Your_Wagon_%28film%29>.

==> + ARRL RECOGNIZES: LOU BURKE, W7JI, WINS APRIL QST COVER PLAQUE AWARD

The winner of the QST Cover Plaque Award for April is Lou Burke, W7JI, for his article "The W7JI Low or Lower Power 40 Meter Transmitter." Congratulations Lou! The QST Cover Plaque award -- given to the author or authors of the best article in each issue -- is determined by a vote of ARRL members on the QST Cover Plaque Poll Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cover-plaque-poll>. Cast a ballot for your favorite article in the May issue today.

==> KENWOOD DONATES HF/6 METER TRANSCEIVER TO W1AW

Thanks to the generosity of Kenwood USA, W1AW, the Hiram Percy Maxim Memorial Station, now boasts a new HF plus 6 meter transceiver -- the TS-590S. "Hams from all over the world come to operate at W1AW, the flagship station of Amateur Radio," said ARRL Business Services Manager Debra Jahnke, K1DAJ. "We are delighted that Kenwood's generosity makes it possible for visitors to W1AW to experience the latest in Kenwood's line of Amateur Radio hardware." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/kenwood-donates-hf-6-meter-transceiver-to-w1aw>.

==> DXCC NEWS: DXCC DESK APPROVES 2011 REVILLAGIGEDO DXPEDITION

ARRL DXCC Manager Bill Moore, NC1L, reports that the 2011 4A4A DXpedition to Revillagigedo <http://www.revillagigedo2011.com/> has been approved for DXCC credit. If you have any questions about this operation, please send an e-mail <dxcc@arrl.org> to the ARRL DXCC Desk.

==> THIS WEEK ON THE RADIO

This week:

- May 6 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- May 7-8 -- New England QSO Party; 7th Call Area QSO Party; Indiana QSO Party; 10-10 International Spring Contest (CW); ARI International DX Contest
- May 8 -- Araucaria VHF Contest; Microwave Spring Sprint (local time)
- May 8 -- SKCC Weekend Sprint
- May 11-12 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

Next week:

- May 14 -- FISTS Spring Sprint; FOC QSO Party
- May 14-15 -- Nevada Mustang Roundup; EUCW Fraternizing CW QSO Party; CQ-M International DX Contest; VOLTA WW RTTY Contest; 50 MHz Spring

Sprint
- May 16 -- Run for the Bacon QRP Contest
- May 19 -- NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more info. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- May 7 -- ARRL South Carolina State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/south-carolina-state-convention-upstate-hamfest
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Spartanburg, South Carolina
- June 3-5 -- ARRL Northwestern Division Convention (SeaPac)
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/northwestern-division-convention-seapac-1>,
Seaside, Oregon; ARRL Wyoming State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/wyoming-state-convention>, Cheyenne,
Wyoming
- June 4 -- ARRL Atlantic Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/atlantic-division-convention-rochester-hamfest-
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Rochester, New York; ARRL East Bay Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/east-bay-section-convention>, Berkeley,
California; ARRL Georgia State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/georgia-state-convention-atlanta-hamfest>,
Marietta, Georgia
- June 10-11 -- ARRL National Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arrl-national-convention-ham-com-2011>,
Plano, Texas
- June 11 -- ARRL Tennessee State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/tennessee-state-convention-1>, Knoxville,
Tennessee
- July 2 -- ARRL Eastern Pennsylvania Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/eastern-pennsylvania-section-convention-firecra
cker-hamfest-1>,
Marysville, Pennsylvania
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national-hamfest>,
Essex, Montana
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461. [DXNL] DXNL 1727 (May 11, 2011)

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CO - CUBA, NA-015
CO2NO (Gustavo) and CO2WL (Lazaro) plan to join the Volta RTTY Contest
as single OP/allband on May 14/15. Both QSLs should be sent direct to:
Gabor Kutasi, PO Box 243, H-8601 Siofok, Hungary.

FJ - ST BARTHELEMY, NA-146
Wim,OS1T/ON4CIT, intends to hit the airwaves as FJ/OS1T from the island
St. Barthelemy (NA-146, DIFO FJ-001, WLOTA LH-0377) from May 14-22.
You will find him in SSB and RTTY on 40m-6m. His preferred QRGs are:
SSB: 7072, 14192, 18132, 21292, 24972, 28492, 50115 kHz
RTTY: 7042, 10142, 18102, 21082, 24922, 28082 kHz.
QSL cards should be sent via bureau or direct to his homecall.
See also: http://on4cit.webs.com/fjos1texpedition2011.htm

SV5 - DODECANESE, EU-001
Some members of the "DX Plus Hellenic Amateur Radio Team" will show up
as SX5F from Pharmakonisi Island (Rocky Islet, GIOTA DKS 057, EU-001)
from May 14-22. The OPs will be Theodoros,SV1GRM, Sotirios,SV1HER,
George,SV1RP, Spiros,SV1RC, George,SV1QN, Giannis,SV1GYG, and
Takis,SV2FWV. They will work in CW, SSB and digital modes on all bands.
QSL via RAAG bureau. See also online at: http://www.qrz.com/db/SX5F

T2 - TUVALU, OC-015
Haru,JA1XGI, will be QRV as T2XG from Tuvalu (OC-015) working in
CW, SSB and digital modes on 40m-10m from May 17-24.
QSLs via bureau or direct to JA1XGI.

T6 - AFGHANISTAN
The T6PSE DXpedition to Afghanistan has been cancelled. They had been
receiving advice and assistance from Jim McLaughlin,WA2EWE/T6AF, who
was killed in Kabul last week. The Taliban subsequently announced their
"Spring Offensive" and after the killing of Bin Laden the situation
became worse. Given these circumstances and with careful consideration

they have decided to cancel their plans. Paul,N6PSE, announced to
refund all sponsor monies within the next weeks.

The stay of Terence,T6TL (K5TLL), has been extended until July though
he should go QRT these days. Terence is using an Icom 706, a dipole and
a Cushcraft R7 vertical. He is working in SSB and digital modes on
40m-10m mostly from 0300-0500 UTC. QSL via N4FF, also LoTW and eQSL.

9M2 - WEST MALAYSIA, AS-058
Vlad,9M2/RA9LR, will stay on Langkawi (AS-058) from the mid of May
until the mid of July. Vlad plans to work in PSK, RTTY, CW and SSB.
QSL via bureau or direct to UA9LP.

FRANCE, SPECIAL EVENT STATION
The callsign TM90LH will be activated on following weekends: May 14/15,
Jun 4/5 and Jul 9/10. They are celebrating the 90th anniversary of the
"Societe Havraise de Telegraphie Sans Fil" (Le Havre Wireless Society,
F6KOH) which is one of the oldest radioclubs in France. QSL via bureau.

THE NETHERLANDS, SPECIAL EVENT STATION
Bernard,PD7BZ (http://www.pd7bz.nl), will be active as PD6MILL from the
windmill "Eendracht" in Gieterveen on May 14/15. He plans to work in
SSB and digital modes on 10m, 20m and 40m. There will be also other
windmills activated in the Netherlands and Great Britain during this
weekend.
QSLs for PD6MILL should be sent via bureau, direct or eQSL to PD7BZ.
See also: http://www.pd6mill.com

DXCC: The QSL cards of 4A4A (Revilla-Gigedo, operation of 2011) are accepted
for DXCC credit now.

SILENT KEYS: Benjamin H. Stevenson (W2BXA), the first president of the
"North Jersey DX Association", passed away on May 5 at the age of 97.
He had a DXCC count of 390 entities and was holding the first CQ WAZ
and satellite DXCC awards.

Other DXers who passed away during the last days are:
Kesang Namgyel (A51KC), Vernon Whittaker (G3UK), Sydney Sefton (G3ZBA),
Aleksej A. Starkov (UA1BX) and George Wesley Johnston (W6YWH).

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de
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The "Alaskan Flora Fauna Award" (KLFF) is a new part of the global
World Flora Fauna (WFF) program. More details can be found here:
http://www.klff.us.pn

UPCOMING CONTESTS

May 14/15: EUCW Fraternizing CW QSO-Party
May 14/15: Alessandro Volta RTTY Contest
May 14: FISTS Sprint Contest

IOTA collected by Ric,DL2VFR (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AF-019, I, Pelagie Islands: A few Italian HAMs will show up as IG9E from
Lampedusa from May 18-23. QSL via IZ2GMT (bureau/direct).
See also: http://www.vbdxc.altervista.org

EU-120, G, English Coastal Islands: G0LZX, G0WRE and M0TNX will be the
operators of GB0HI. They will activate Holy Island mainly in SSB on
40m, 20m, 17m and maybe also 15m/6m on May 14.
QSL via M0OXO (bureau/direct). See also: http://www.gb0hi.co.uk

IOTA News:

Though there were serious concerns last year, that there is no longer
a printed IOTA Directory due to lack of financial support, we now have
the new edition available. In addition to award rules, a full island
listing and contest results all IOTA fans also find illustrated
expedition reports in it. The 128-page directory for the price of just
under 12 pounds is currently available via the RSGB.
See also: http://www.rsgbshop.org

Lighthouse activities (WLOTA/ARLHS/ILLW)

W3P will be activated in SSB and PSK31 on 40m, 20m and 17m from the
Piney Point Lighthouse (ARLHS USA-601) in Maryland during the annual
"Waterfront Festival" on May 14 from 1400-2000 UTC.
Please QSL direct via KA3UNQ.

Bandspots of the last 7 days

80m
GS3PYE/p 3.792 2312Z EU-123, via M0VFC (B)
ZA/LZ2HM 3.792 0410Z via LZ2HM (B)

30m
EA2EA/p 10.118 1053Z SOTA SS-014
GB5TI 10.107 1730Z EU-108, via MM0BQI (d), buro: gb5ti.qsl@gmail.com
GS3PYE/p 10.106 1530Z EU-123, via M0VFC (B)
YP6WFF 10.124 0540Z via YO6MP (d)
ZL2IFB 10.109 0617Z (B), (L)
5N6/YL2SW 10.123 1926Z via YL2SW

20m
BP100 14.020 1654Z via BX4AQ (d)
GR4PRB 14.016 1659Z via EI7CC (B), (L)
GS3PYE/p 14.260 1006Z EU-123, via M0VFC (B)
GS3PYE/p 14.041 0711Z EU-123, via M0VFC (B)

J5UAP 14.021 0707Z via HA3AUI (d)
SV9/OH1VR 14.003 0417Z EU-015, via OH1VR
SZ1SV 14.010 1612Z via SV bureau
VU2DK 14.284 1525Z
XV2W 14.029 1703Z via W6NWS (B), (L)

17m
J5UAP 18.082 1009Z via HA3AUI (d)
TA1C/2 18.081 1836Z (B)

15m
JD1BMH 21.010 1522Z (B) or JG7PSJ (d)
JY5HX 21.030 1619Z
ST2AR 21.023 1650Z via S53R (d)
V85TL 21.017 1717Z (d)
V85/9M6XRO 21.080 1739Z RTTY, via M0URX (B)
ZA/LZ1UQ 21.009 1852Z via LZ1UQ (B)
5N6/YL2SW 21.023 1620Z via YL2SW
6W2SC 21.021 1712Z via HA3AUI (d)

10m
UA9OBW 28.009 0819Z

6m
HB10K 50.110 1734Z via EA7FTR

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(L) = LoTW
(r) = bureau QSL via e-mail request

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

-31May 3A2CWG 1726
-Dec 3Y8XSA 1700/1717
04May-20May 4JV3AM 1726
-25Oct 5B50J 1700
-08Jun 5X1VJ 1721
-Apr/12 5Z4RH ? 1674
03May-12May 6W/EA1BT 1725
08May-21May 8P9XB 1726
-31Dec 9A11P 1723
07May-15May 9A8AMS 1726
-Sep 9J2KK 1682
-Jul 9M2/RA9LR 1727 *
NOW 9M6/KM9D 1699
-Jun 9N7AK 1726
SOON 9Q1EK 1669
-Nov 9Q6CC 1699

-Aug A92IO 1663
-31Dec BP100 1684
-31Dec BV100 1684
-31Dec CW5RV 1711
-May D2AK 1675
13May-20May DH2AK/C6A.. 1726
-31Aug DL20Y2DM 1700
22Apr-04Jun F/ON4LO/p 1724
14May-22May FJ/OS1T 1727 *
-Aug FO8RZ 1636
-Jul/12 FR8NE 1710
14May GB0HI 1727 *

-31Dec HB60LU 1711
-31Dec HG15IPA 1724
01Jan-31Dec HG200LST 1708
-30Jun HG2011A 1713
-05Jun HI3/KL7JR 1717/1721
30Apr-13May HI7/IK8DNJ 1725
02May-20May HI7/OT4R 1725
-May HR5/F2JD 1718
20Apr-04May HR5/N2WB 1724
01Jan-31Dec IA7MM 1708
18May-23May IG9E 1727 *
02Apr-15May II1ECO 1722
01Jan-31Dec II1ITA.. 1708
-31May II3AC 1726
May IL7A 1726
01Mar-30Sep IO4UI 1717

-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul/12 J28RO 1683
04May-13May JD1BMH 1725
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
POSTPONED KH5 1674/1705
-31Dec LA200D 1713
May LZ2011KM 1727 *
-31Dec LZ85R 1721
May &Aug OL100VP 1721
Jun OL1911VP 1721
Apr &Jul OL2011VP 1721
May OL950CHEB 1725

-Sep P29CW 1713
01Jan-31Dec PA30.. 1708
01May-28May PC65ISWL 1725
14May/15May PD6MILL 1727 *
May PD04ISLE 1725
-Jun PP0T 1725
-31May R1945HS 1726
-Dec RI1ANC 1708
01May-31Jul SQ100MSC 1725

08May-14May SV5/PA1FJ/p 1726
14May-22May SX5F 1727 *
17May-24May T2XG 1727 *
-Jul T6TL 1695/1727 *
May T6PSE 1726
14May/15May TM90LH 1727 *
04Jun/05Juni TM90LH 1727 *
09Jul/10Jul TM90LH 1727 *

-31May UN50.. 1726
-31May VC2CQ85 1726
-Mar/12 VK0KEV (Macq) 1700/1701
-Jun VK0M/ZL4DB/p 1725
May -Aug W3CVD/4 1726
14May W3P 1727 *
NOW XT2RJA 1712
-Sep ZD9GI 1691
06May-13May ZF2AT & ZF2TH 1726
-31Dec ZL50GH 1711

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

A65BM via W4JS (B)
AH0/AB2RF via JJ2RCJ (d)
BG4DBZ via BA4EG (B)
BG4EWJ via BA4EG (B)
BG4TWS via BA4EG (B)
BG4WCK via BA4EG (B)
BG4XCN via BA4EG (B)
BG5BDB via BA4EG (B)
BG5BLA via BA4EG (B)
BG5BMC via BA4EG (B)
BG5BNJ via BA4EG (B)
BG5BUH via BA4EG (B)
BG5CKT via BA4EG (B)
BG5FCD via BA4EG (B)
BG5HHU via BA4EG (B)
BG5HIS via BA4EG (B)
BG5ROK via BA4EG (B)
BG5RSO via BA4EG (B)
BG5WKM via BA4EG (B)
BG6AHP via BA4EG (B)
BG6AHU via BA4EG (B)
BG6AJN via BA4EG (B)
BG6BHB via BA4EG (B)
BG6BIB via BA4EG (B)
BG6BKV via BA4EG (B)
BG6IAZ via BA4EG (B)

BG6IQD via BA4EG (B)
BG6JJX via BA4EG (B)
BG6JLZ via BA4EG (B)
BG6QAM via BA4EG (B)
BG6SDO via BA4EG (B)
BG7AWU via BA4EG (B)
BG7BKM via BA4EG (B)
BG7IBS via BA4EG (B)
BG7IEU via BA4EG (B)
BG7IWZ via BA4EG (B)
BG7IXG via BA4EG (B)
BG7JPT via BA4EG (B)
BG7KBH via BA4EG (B)
BG7LVL via BA4EG (B)
BG7MVZ via BA4EG (B)
BG7NF via BA4EG (B)
BG7NWF via BA4EG (B)
BG7RDC via BA4EG (B)
BG7SAV via BA4EG (B)
BG8BBP via BA4EG (B)
BG8NCF via BA4EG (B)
BG8SGK via BA4EG (B)
BI7IOB via BA4EG (B)
BG8CIH via BA4EG (B)
BI7KAG via BA4EG (B)
BH4QAK via BA4EG (B)
BH7LMD via BA4EG (B)
BH7OXR via BA4EG (B)
BH7OZG via BA4EG (B)
BH7PFH via BA4EG (B)
CE2/VE7SV via VE7WY (B), (L)
DF0CQ via DK7JQ (B)
DF0TEN via DK7JQ (B)
DP9I via DK7JQ (B)
E7/DL2MHA via DL2MHA (B)
EA6UN via SP4AOQ (B)
ED1URV via EA1URV (B)
EF7ABV via EC7ABV (d)
EF7NL via EA7NL
EG3VIC via EA3ERE (B)
EG7MSS via EA7ICU
EH7EDR via EA7NL, eQSL
EI/MR0GGE via EI3GAB (B), eQSL
EM25U via UT3UZ
EM25UC via UR7UC (B)
EM44U via UT7UT
EM5U/p via UT2UB (B)
EM66JQ via UU4JQE
EM0BSCC via UU4JXM (B)
EM0UBC via UR4UXD (B)

EN25R via UR4RZA (B)
EN5ZOO via UR4ZWF (B)
EN50ESF via UT4EK (B)
EN66JAX via UU7AX
EO25IZ via UX5IZ
EO60RUL via UZ9RR (B), (L), eQSL
EO66JP via UU4JXZ
ER9V via ER1DA (B)
FM/F6ARC via FE11DX (B)
G4LYM via G4LXU
G4NOK via M0WBH
GB4CLR via G4YHP
GB4M via M0DOL (B)
GB4RW via M0DOL (B)
GB5RST via G5RST
GB5TI LoTW, e-mail request for bureau: gb5ti.qsl@gmail.com
GB6MD LoTW only
GM/DH5JBR/p via DH5JBR (B)
GR3SVK via G3SVK
GR3TXF via G3TXF (B)
GR4PRB via EI7CC (B)
GR0AMD via GD0AMD
GR0ANA via GW0ANA (B)
GR0ANS via G0ANS, eQSL
GR0AXY via GM0AXY (B), (L)
GR0BBB via G0BBB
GR0BJH via GI0BJH (B)
GR0BLB via G0BLB (B)
GR0BOR via G0BOR
GR0BRO via GI0BRO (B)
GR0CDV via GM0CDV (B)
GR0CER via G0CER (B), (L), eQSL
GR0CSS via G0CSS
GR0CUZ via G0CUZ
GR0JLX via G0JLX (B)
GR0PZA via G0PZA
GS3PYE/p via M0VFC
HF45BRP via SP9BRP (B)
HI5MLE via EA6SK (B)
HR5/N2WB via N2OO (B)
II3AC via IK3GES (B)
JW6VJA via LA6VJA (B)
KS0C/KH2 via KS0C
LZ66P via LZ1BJ (B)
LZ855SRKM via LZ1KZA (B)
MR0CEF via DL2LFH (B)
NH0J via JQ2GYU (B)
OE4E via OE2GEN (B)
OE6KIDS via OE6WIG
OL100VP via OK1DRQ (B)

OM55TV via OM3MB
P29CW via VK2IR (d)
PC65ISWL via PA0FAW (B)
PJ2/KE1B via KE1B (B), (L), eQSL
PJ2/W6NN via W6NN (B), (L)
PJ7/WW4CP via WW4CP
RN9N via RN9MA (B), (L)
RP66D via UA3DPX
RP66KND via UA4AJD
RP66L via RO1B
RP66LR via RX1CQ (d)
RP66NOZ via RD6A
RP66R/p via RX3F (B)
RP66S via RV3LZ
RP66SW via RM4A
RP66VA via UA3LIU
RP66W via RK3QWW (B)
RP66WG via RO1A
SM3/EA8CN via EA8CN (B)
SN1OSP via SP9PNS (B)
SN2OSP via SP9PNS (B)
SN3OSP via SP9PNS (B)
SN4OSP via SP9PNS (B)
SN5OSP via SP9PNS (B)
SN6OSP via SP9PNS (B)
SN0JP2SS via SP9PKZ (B)
TA4/OZ4CP via OZ4CP
UK8OM via 4Z5OG (d)
V5/HB9DRI via HB9DRI
V5/HB9PHJ via HB9PHJ (B)
VK6/DJ7JC via DJ7JC (B)
XV2LU via JA7LU (B)
YL11WCA via YL2IU (d), eQSL
YP5WFF via YO5OAG
Z350MM via Z31MM, eQSL
ZA/LZ1UQ via LZ1UQ (B)
ZA/LZ2HM via LZ2HM (B)
2R0BOO via 2M0BOO
2R0BRR via 2W0BRR (B), eQSL
2R0BXN via 2M0BXN
2R0BZB via 2M0BZB (B), eQSL
2R0CDY via 2W0CDY
2R0CDZ via 2W0CDZ
2R0CSS via 2W0CSS
2R0CVE via 2W0CVE
2R0DES (d), eQSL
2R0DRB via 2W0DRB
2R0DXR via 2M0DXR (d)
2R0ENW via 2E0ENW (d), eQSL
2R0FYG via 2M0FYG

2R0GLI via 2M0GLI (B), eQSL
2R0GTE via 2E0GTE
2R0HJS via 2M0HJS
2R0IDT via 2W0IDT
2R0IMP via 2M0IMP (B)
2R0IOB via 2M0IOB
2R0IOM via 2D0IOM
2R0IRZ via 2I0IRZ (B)
2R0ISM via 2M0ISM eQSL only
2R0JBC via 2E0JBC (d), eQSL
2R0JWJ via 2E0JWJ (B), eQSL
2R0KYE via 2I0KYE
2R0MFB via 2I0MFB
2R0NCM via 2M0NCM
2R0NOC via G0VXC (B), eQSL
2R0NYC via 2E0NYC
2R0ODX via 2J0ODX
2R0OJA via 2W0OJA eQSL only
2R0OXX via 2M0OXX (B)
2R0PHP via 2W0PHP
2R0PJP via 2W0PJP
2R0PTX via 2I0PTX
2R0RCR (d), eQSL, LoTW
2R0REX via 2W0REX
2R0ZPS via 2M0ZPS
4JV6NS via 4K4K (d)
4L1FL via EA7FTR
6W2SC via HA3AUI (d)
6W/EA1BT via EA1BT (d)

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(*) = new QSL manager
(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) = e-mail request

QSLs arrived direct: D2QV, FM5BH, VR2UW, ZF2UL

QSL via LoTW: 4A4A

HAM RADIO 2011: QSL cards of 4U1ITU and 4U1UN at the booth of SDXF

Once again you can pick up your QSL cards of 4U1ITU, 4U1UN and also
D44TOI (2009 & 2010) on the HAM RADIO in Friedrichshafen this year.
The cards are handed out for QSOs with 4U1UN and 4U1ITU at the booth
of the Swiss DX Foundation (SDXF) on Friday, Jun 24, and Saturday, Jun 25.
Please bring your QSO data and watch the time schedule hanging at the booth.

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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
02 - 08 May 2011

Solar activity began the week at low levels with a C1 x-ray event at
1352 UTC on 02 May from Region 1199 (N18, L=188, class/area Dso/210
on 01 May), after rotating around the west limb. Activity continued
at low levels with another C1 x-ray event at 1052 UTC on 03 May from
Region 1204 (N17, L=47, class/area Cao/130 on 03 May). Activity
decreased to very low levels, with only isolated B-class events
occurring throughout the remainder of the summary period.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
high levels during most of the summary period.

Geomagnetic field activity began the week ranging between unsettled
to active conditions at mid latitudes, and minor to severe
conditions at high latitudes on 02 May, due to a favorably
positioned coronal hole. The high speed stream effects began prior
to the summary period (29 April) and persisted through 02 May with
solar wind speeds in excess of 640 km/s, and intermittent periods of
negative Bz. Conditions began to subside on 03 May, settling to
predominately quiet conditions with predominately positive Bz,
before solar wind speeds decreased to background velocities near 400
km/s on 04 May. Conditions remained mostly quiet at all latitudes
for the remainder of the summary period.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
11 May - 06 June 2011

Solar activity is expected to be very low to low. There is a chance
for isolated periods of moderate levels due to the possible
emergence of new regions, the return of old Region 1195 on 13 May,
as well as Regions 1199 and 1202 on 14 May.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.
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The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at high levels 11-19 May due to multiple coronal hole high-speed streams. Normal to moderate levels are expected to be predominate from 20-27 May, before elevated wind speeds from another recurrent coronal hole should produce high levels from 28 May until 02 June. Moderate or lower conditions should persist from 03 June until the end of the outlook period.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be unsettled to active 11-13 May due to coronal hole high-speed stream effects. Conditions are expected to subside for a day or so before increasing back to mostly unsettled conditions 15-17 May with another coronal hole coming into a favorable position to impact Earth. Conditions are forecasted to be predominately quiet 18-26 May, bar any transient activity, before the next recurrent coronal hole is expected on or around 26 May. Active to minor strorm conditions are possible 27-29 May due to the coronal hole, and lesser effects in the form of mostly unsettled to acive conditions should persist 30-31 May. Mostly quiet conditions are expected 01-05 Jun before the currently geo-effective coronal hole returns to produce unsettled conditions on 06 June.

463. The ARRL Contest Update for May 11, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-11 11:07:30 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
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NEW HF OPERATORS - THINGS TO DO

If you've not participated in the annual Armed Forces Cross-band
Communications Test
<http://www.arrl.org/news/annual-armed-forces-day-crossband-test-scheduled-for-may-14>,
give it a try! Military stations like AIR and NAV transmit on
frequencies near the HF ham bands and listen for stations calling on
ham frequencies. Work as many as you can, including a station on the
USS Yorktown - most send QSLs, too!

BULLETINS

The next issue will be a Dayton Photo Album as your editor mines the
miles of aisles for smiles.

BUSTED QSOS

This is the link for the complete "Care And Feeding of Power Grid Tubes
<http://www.cpii.com/library.cfm/9>". (Thanks, Ed N4II) The Double L
antenna was actually the design of Don K2KQ, not K2LQ. (Thanks, George
W2VJN) Tom K1KI corrects a typo in that many NEQP certificates were
headed forth to the fourth district. The ninth? Nein!

CONTEST SUMMARY
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Complete information for all contests follows the Conversation section

May 14-15

- CWops Monthly Mini-CWT Test (11 May)
- FOC QSO Party--CW
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- NAQCC Monthly QRP Sprint--CW (19 May)
- Feld-Hell Hamvention Sprint
- Portuguese Navy Day
- EU PSK DX Contest
- His Majesty King of Spain Contest--CW

==> NEWS, PRESS RELEASES, AND GENERAL INTEREST

Hector XE2K/AD6D reports the creation of a new Spanish-language contest reflector - CQ TEST Radiodeportiva - by EA8AY and EA8CAC. The goal is to make it easier for Spanish-speaking hams to share information and experiences in their native language. It is hope that it will promote and increase the activity from Spanish-speaking countries all over the world. If you want to participate and share experiences but your Spanish is not perfecto, no problem, you are welcome. Please register and share what you think can be good for the contesting community. Several can help to translate if you wish. En espa&#65533;ol, "Hola Amigos - Quiero anunciar la creacion de un nuevo foro que hace una semana EA8AY y EA8CAC iniciaron que llamaron CQ TEST Radiodeportiva que es un foro en espa?ol, que esta enfocado en hacer mas facil compartir la informacion y experiencias en tu lenguaje, que tambien tiene la idea de promover e incrementar la actividad en paises de habla hispana en mas concursos explicando y apoyando a los miembros en los diferentes temas relacionados a el Radio Deporte dado esto por varios experimentadosy bien conocidos Concurseros no solo de Latin America si no de todo el mundo. Quedan invitados y espero ver mas amigos en el Foro para hacerlo mas rico en conocimiento y experiencias." Please forward this message to your Spanish-speaking ham friends!

Tim K3LR's video presentation on all of the Contesting Activities at the 2011 Dayton Hamvention <http://hamvention.com/> has been posted to the Potomac Valley Radio Club's web page <http://www.pvrc.org/> at under Recorded Webinars. During the Hamvention, two hours of Contest University USA in Dayton (on May 19th) will be available live and online via Webinars courtesy of ConTest University (CTU) and the

Potomac Valley Radio Club (PVRC). The first Webinar - the opening welcome and first session "Contesting the Right Way" by K1DG - will run from 8-9 AM Eastern Daylight time (USA EDT). The second Webinar will run from 4-5 PM EDT and presents Rob Sherwood, NC0B delivering "Contest Radio Performance" and the closing remarks for CTU. Registration information will be posted on the PVRC website shortly. Radio-sport also has a new article <http://www.radio-sport.net/dayton2011_pre.htm> on the contest goings-on at Dayton. I would ask for permission to reprint the photo of nattily-attired Paul K9PG and Gerry K8GT, but it's just too awful to print!

Central States VHF Society Vice President Kent WA5VJB <WA5VJB@FLASH.NET> has issued a call for papers for the CSVHFS Proceedings with a rapidly approaching deadline of May 20. The emphasis is on smaller papers this years such as "Hints and Kinks", roving and contest operations, radio modifications, antenna construction, etc. (from AMSAT <http://amsat.org/> bulletin ANS-121)

Dave G3YMC reports that Ukranian hams losing access to several bands is not yet certain and is apparently an administrative error. The Contest Update apologizes for promulgating uncertain information.

How time flies. It was about 25 years ago that Doug KR2Q encouraged and assisted Dick Ross K2MGA with creating the CQ Contest Hall of Fame <http://www.cqww.com/hof_history.php>. For some historic photos, take a look at these shots from Buz K2GL's 80th birthday party and Hall of Fame #1 <http://picasaweb.google.com/dougzzz/K2GL1986CQContestHOF1And80>. A summary of K2GL's accomplishments is found at the lower right. (Thanks, Doug KR2Q)

Larry N6NC was working on improving his accuracy at copying number strings - an important part of doing well in the up-coming CQ WPX CW contest - and found Morsecat2 by DK5SCI <http://www.morsecat.de/>. This code practice program can be set to blast out number group - just what you need to get WPXed into shape!

CWops will sponsor the first CW OPEN <http://www.cwops.org/cwopen.html> this summer on Aug 20-21. CW OPEN is unique in that it consists of three, 4-hour contests timed to occur under optimal low-band and high-band conditions in at least two out of three of the time periods in ITU regions 1,2 and 3. It is a single-operator contest with QRP, low-power, and high-power categories. The contests will each be separately scored and awarded. Those who participate in two or more of the three contests will have their scores aggregated and can also compete in the combined score category. This looks like fun! (Thanks, Al AD6E)

The June issue of Popular Mechanics <http://www.popularmechanics.com> ran a great article, "When the First Responder Is You" covering a number of real-world situations that have all been in the news lately. Getting on the radio is not always what needs to happen first!

W1ZM, Gerard "Jerry" Scarano, of Gales Ferry, Connecticut, has become a Silent Key at the age of 96. He was an original member of the Yankee Clipper Contest Club and before that an active Potomac Valley Contest Club member. The list of call signs that operated from his stations reads like a who's-who of contesting. Jeff K1ZM penned a nice reminiscence on the cq-contest reflector <http://lists.contesting.com/archives/html/CQ-Contest/2011-05/msg00048.html>.

AN Wireless Tower Co., LLC <http://www.anwireless.com> has relocated its operations to a 43,000 sq. ft. facility in Austintown, Ohio. It's nice to hear of a company outgrowing its manufacturing facility instead of the other way 'round. Aside from improved shipping times, this move places the company closer to their hot dip galvanizing and steel vendors. They'll have easy customer access just 2 miles from I-80 in northeast Ohio, too. (Thanks, AN Wireless founder, Dan KK3AN)

Bob K8IA reports that the Arizona Outlaws Contest Club <http://www.arizonaoutlaws.net/> has elected a new slate of officers for the coming year. Good job!

Steve GW4BLE and Andy MW0MWZ have put together a great website <http://gw4ble.dxlist.co.uk/> to play back audio of contest activity (mostly SSB) from the last eight years or so. The basic building blocks are from the Writelog contest logging program website, plus SQL log conversion, Smartphone audio, and other features. Steve notes the assistance of the CDXC members during site debugging and development, as well.

Web Site of the Week - At the recent ID State Convention the Friday night speaker, Lisa Spahr <http://www.powletters.com/>, had a very interesting presentation about a WWII-era ham public service of which I was completely unaware. A group of hams was organized to listen to SW broadcasts from Germany and other Axis powers to listen for POW reports and relay the information to their families. Lisa's grandfather was a POW in Germany for 26 months and her great-grandmother found out about his capture this way. All in all, there were quite a number of hams doing this - sending thousands of letters - and she is requesting Congressional recognition of this group, many of whom are still alive.

WORD TO THE WISE

NIB-NOS - could it be a tasty snack? Nope! These acronyms mean "New In Box" and "New Old Stock" and are used to refer to tubes and used or replacement equipment.

==> SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

A side trip to the US Air Force Museum is a must-do if you ever attend the Dayton Hamvention. If you're not heading to Dayton, you can take a virtual walk-through <http://www.nmusafvirtualtour.com/full/tour-pkg.html> of the entire museum, click by click! (Thanks, Sean N3JQ)

The LU Contest Group recently had its 11th anniversary and threw a big party. Diego LU8ADX sent a link to his online photo album of the festivities. <http://www.lu8adx.com.ar/lucg/fotos/subalbum_14.html> Some attended in costume, like "El Gaucho", Martin LU5DX!

Ace ham photographer, Bob N6TV, published his online album of photos <http://bit.ly/2011Visalia> from the Visalia International DX Convention - thanks!

Bob K0RC asks, "How much do you REALLY know about the United Kingdom? You've put many (or all) of them in your log, but just how is that Kingdom organized, anyway?" Luckily, he also provides the answer in the form of this 5-minute video <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rNu8XDBSn10&feature=player_embedded>!

If dark matter falls on your foot in the dark, is it true that you can't tell? This cartoon from PHDComics <http://www.phdcomics.com/comics.php?n=1430> refutes the supposition thus. (Thanks, Tree N6TR)

But can this guy balance it <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Aw6Aj44rL0U> up there with a Spiderbeam on it for the entire Field Day period? (Thanks, Tim K3LR)

==> RESULTS AND RECORDS

ARRL Contest Branch Manager, Sean KX9X relates discovering and repairing an issue with the ARRL 160 Meter contest results for the Club Competition, "Numerous members of the Frankford Radio Club were accidentally listed as members of the Yankee Clipper Contest Club. This appears to be the result of an error on my part during the data processing phase. The order of finish was unchanged in the Unlimited Club category; however, Frankford Radio Club is the correct winner of the Medium Club category. The Local Club category was unaffected by this error. The online results database <http://www.arrl.org/results-database?event_id=14722> has been corrected."

Also in the ARRL Contest library, results for the 2010 ARRL 160M Contest and the 2011 ARRL RTTY Roundup are now online <http://www.arrl.org/contest-results-articles>. Log Checking Reports for these two events are still being processed and Sean hopes to have them online in the next day or so. The April 2011 Rookie Roundup results <http://www.arrl.org/contest-results-articles> are also online - thanks to all the OT's that got on and worked the Rookies. The next Rookie Roundup will be held on Sunday, August 21 1800-2400 UTC and will use RTTY!

CQ World-Wide Contest <http://cqww.com> Director, Bob K3EST reports record 2010 log submission levels. "Contesting continues to be at the leading edge of spectrum use and technological advancements. Ken can give you exact numbers. A total of approximately 12,700 logs were received for the 2010 CQ WW contests. In spite of code not required for obtaining an amateur radio license, CW continues to grow in popularity

within contests." I'll say! The SSB haul was 6,445 electronic logs and for CW there were 6,079 electronic logs. As Ken K1EA muses, "Imagine if we had 1957-1959 conditions!"

Dave W9ZRX <zephd@indy.rr.com> needs your VHF+ contest logs for a late May or early June release of the VHF Super Partial Check and VHF Prefill databases <http://www.k3lr.com/w9zrx/>. Because of the nature of VHF propagation, he needs logs from a wide area for the databases to be useful across the country. Please email Dave Cabrillo-formatted logs from any of the 2009-2011 ARRL or CQ VHF contests.

With a little help from Paul, K8PO, the Boring Amateur Radio Club is happy to announce that the results of the 15th running of the Stew Perry <http://web.jzap.com/k7rat/2010_Stew.htm> event are now available for your viewing pleasure. Don't forget - there will be a Summer Stew <http://web.jzap.com/k7rat/stew.htm> coming up in about five weeks. (Thanks, Tree N6TR)

The recent Georgia QSO Party <http://gqp.contesting.com/Rules.htm> sponsored a special award for contacting seven of the contest's special event 1x1 call signs such that the suffixes spelled G-E-O-R-G-I-A (yes, two "G" stations). The rare vowel "E" turned out to be the difficult letter! (Thanks, Scott KB4KBS)

The claimed scores for the 2011 WPX SSB Contest <http://www.cqwpx.com/claimed.htm?mode=ph> are now available with a record 5,041 logs and paper logs still arriving in the mail. Claimed scores can be sorted by continent and category. A search function is included so you can quickly locate a particular score. The score calculation process is discussed on CQ WPX Director Randy K5ZD's blog <http://www.cqwpx.com/blog/?p=62>.

OPERATING TIP

Clean audio saves time! Tip #1 - the power meter needle should move in sync with your voice peaks, not go to maximum and stay there because you have the processor maxed out. Tip #2 - yelling makes things worse. Tip #3 - clean audio will cut your QSO time by two-thirds. Why? Because everything doesn't have to be repeated and your call sign gets through correctly more often on the first call. Higher average power does not also mean higher intelligibility - too often quite the opposite!

==> TECHNICAL TOPICS AND INFORMATION

When is a bus bar not a bus bar? "The Case of the Noisy Bus Bar <http://www.nxtbook.com/nxtbooks/ubm/designnews_201104/#/68>" - a Sherlock Ohms column the April 2011 issue of "Design News" magazine - takes an interesting turn through antenna theory.

Bill K2TT, Defense Science Board member, writes, "Contesters are heavily dependent on computers coupled to the Internet, and as a consequence, are vulnerable to the increasingly burdensome problem of cyber security. The DoD's National Security Agency (NSA) has published

a useful document for consumer-level cyber security, "Best Practices for Keeping Your Home Network Secure <http://www.nsa.gov/ia/_files/factsheets/Best_Practices_Datasheets.pdf>." This document could be useful for readers of the Contest Update."

The April issue of Scientific American <http://www.scientificamerican.com/> included an article titled, "Solving the Cocktail Party Problem" about extracting just one voice out of many and how hard that is for computers to do. Any phone contester could have told them that! In a similar vein, "Cognitive-Radio Games" in the same month's IEEE Spectrum <http://spectrum.ieee.org/> speaks to the methods by which radios will share crowded spectrum. That one's easy, too - give your full call, always!

Weather maps are all over the web, but what about maps from the past? You're in luck as NOAA has an online archive of weather maps <http://www.hpc.ncep.noaa.gov/dailywxmap/> open to the public. Now you can play back that great tropospheric opening!

An interesting conversation ensued on the Towertalk Reflector <http://lists.contesting.com/mailman/listinfo/towertalk> about digging a square hole ("Mike Mulligan and His Steam Shovel <http://www.houghtonmifflinbooks.com/features/mike_mulligan/>", anyone?) with a wide variety of related (and un-related) topics being explored. Just check the archives for the topic "Digging a Hole with a Backhoe". Where to find operators able to make a nice, square hole? Gravediggers and septic-tank installers were mentioned, the point being to hire someone who digs square or rectangular holes for a living.

Scientists at Stanford University have developed a prototype rechargeable battery <http://www.gizmag.com/rechargeable-battery-freshwater-seawater/18565/> that runs on water. Nanotechnology is used to extract electricity from the difference in salt content between fresh and salt water. Gee, we can extract electricity from on air, water, and fire...if somebody will just add an earthen battery to complete the quartet, Aristotle would be proud!

Technical Web Site of the Week - Mitch WB9IQQ <http://www.tvbgone.com/cfe_mfaire.php>, Jeff "Mightyohm" KF6PBP <http://www.mightyohm.com/>, and Andie Nordgren <http://log.andie.se/> have released a "Soldering Is Easy! <http://mightyohm.com/files/soldercomic/FullSolderComic_20110409.pdf>" comic book. It's fun, and funny, easy to read, and Mitch hopes it will make it really easy for anyone and everyone to learn to solder, even if they've never built anything before. Previously, they developed a single-page comic reference sheet, now in 6 languages, and all Open Source and free for the downloading! (Thanks, Mert AC7KY)

==> CONVERSATION

Ham Hearing Aids

I wear hearing aids in both ears and have for nearly twenty years - even during contests! Here are a few tips and thoughts on hearing aids that might be of interest to those of you who need a little help with your hearing or who aren't getting any younger and thinking about it. Bear in mind that my hearing loss is basically a high-frequency roll-off above a couple of kHz. Your specific need should be evaluated by a professional and may have stronger bearing on what type of hearing aid you need than the following topics.

Digital or Analog? There's not even a question - get digital aids. They use similar signal processing to what we have in our radios, with similar effects on the audio output. This is now the dominant technology and rapidly replacing analog instruments. Your main questions will be about the signal processing features of the signal processing, discussed below. Digital aids act as a multi-band graphic equalizer, very similar to those used in audio systems. In addition, the digital aid will have several "programs" that set up the aid's features in different ways for different environments. The hearing aid technician will explain this to you in detail. It would be a good idea to make it known that you have some technical background so the discussion can take advantage of your expertise.

Behind-the-ear or In-the-ear? I started with behind-the-ear aids because at the time, the smaller in-the-ear aids were too expensive. This has changed, with the new "open ear" style offering a lot of features without the molded housing that goes in the ear canal. I have tried the open-ear style and I do like the sound quality. I changed to in-the-ear aids, however, because placement of the microphone in behind-the-ear aids tends to skew its pattern to above, behind, and to the side of the listener. This may not help with face-to-face conversation and dead-ahead audio sources, such as TV. In-the-ear aids can take advantage of the natural focusing provided by the external ear. Behind-the-ear microphones also don't help as much with most telephone handsets - you have to learn to hold a cell phone farther back so that the speaker is closer to the aid's microphone, for example.

Behind-the-ear aids are also generally quite uncomfortable with earmuff-style headphones that many of us prefer in the radio shack - if they can be worn under earmuffs at all. If you have to take the aids out when wearing headphones, they can't help you with receiver audio. So I wear a mid-sized, in-the-ear aid that has worked out well. Many vendors will let you try open-ear-style aids as way of finding out what features and settings you like whether you buy behind-the-ear or in-the-ear aids.

Signal Processing The first component of audio processing you'll notice is compression or AGC. Compression is good in a hearing aid because it prevents overload and distortion. The price is somewhat increased background noise. In addition, if you are using the aids with a radio the two AGC systems - one in the radio and one in the aid - increase

the amount of compression and the interacting time constants of the compressors can actually hurt intelligibility of the received audio. You'll also notice that just like a ham receiver's DSP, some of the features of the hearing aid will color the audio in perceptible ways. For example, feedback cancellation is a nice feature but it will also try to get rid of single-tone signals like CW! The effects of noise reduction in the hearing aid are also similar to a receiver's DSP. You get used to them and the benefit of reducing noise generally outweighs the presence of artifacts. This is where the different programs of the digital aids become really handy.

While the advanced features are great in normal conversation, they get in the way when on the radio, so be sure to have one program in which compression is turned off along with feedback cancellation and other artifact-inducing features. Say to the technician, "I want one program that only has gain and frequency response correction." If you have enough programs, you might even want to try to set one up for CW and one for voice! It would be a good idea to take an audio player with recorded CW and voice signals to use as the aids are set up for you. The gain-and-frequency response program has also turned out to be the right one for me to use when I'm listening to music, as well.

Selecting a Vendor There are number of good hearing aid companies and the mid-range to high-end hearing aids are all very good. I initially selected independent local hearing aid companies with good prices and excellent service, but both struggled and were eventually purchased by a national manufacturer. My current set of aids is of a national brand with offices in shopping malls around the country. Because I travel frequently, I like knowing an office is probably handy and I have had to get a microphone port unplugged while on the road. Your circumstances will dictate your choice but I strongly recommend making service after the sale a primary evaluation criterion.

Do I Need Them How can you tell if you need a hearing aid? Ask your family for their honest opinion and then listen to what they tell you. "Green-bar guys" are an industry legend, referring to the volume control on the TV that they are always turning up and up and up. Meanwhile, they insist that their hearing is just fine and why does everybody mumble? If you're not hearing the phone, if you can hear someone talking but can't understand what they say, if the pileups all sound like mush - you probably need help with your hearing. One way to experiment before trying a hearing aid is a pocket graphic equalizer, such as the Koss three-band Portable Stereo Equalizers that can be found on the Internet for about $20. Wire it up to your radio or audio player and experiment with the settings. You may find that a little boost on the high frequency channel or dropping the low frequencies helps or maybe just some additional gain is what you need. The cost is low and you'll learn something without having to make an office visit.

Summary All of us are getting older and hearing often takes a hit on the way. Younger hams that have grown-up with ear-buds cranked up to 11

are discovering that those fragile hair cells of the cochlea have worn out early. Meanwhile, the perceived stigma of wearing hearing aids is largely non-existent as people are wearing headphones and earpieces everywhere you look. Good hearing matters not only on the radio but in our personal lives, too, especially to the people around you. Take advantage of what is becoming ubiquitous technology to restore your hearing.

73, Ward N0AX

==> CONTESTS

11 May - 24 May

An expanded, downloadable version of QST's Contest Corral in PDF format <http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar> is available. Check the sponsor's Web site for information on operating time restrictions and other instructions.

HF CONTESTS

CWops Monthly Mini-CWT Test--CW, from May 11, 1300Z to May 12, 0400Z and See Web site, See Web site to , See Web site. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Frequencies: Multiple operating periods, twice monthly on 2nd and 4th Wed, 18 to 28 kHz above band edge. Exchange: Name, member number or S/P/C. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.cwops.org/onair.html>

FOC QSO Party--CW, from May 14, 0000Z to May 14, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: Name, FOC member number. Logs due: 7 days. Rules <http://www.g4foc.org/>

EUCW Fraternizing CW QSO Party--CW, from May 14, 1000Z to May 14, 1200Z and May 15, 1800Z to May 15, 2000Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Frequencies: Multiple operating periods. Exchange: RST, name, club, member number. Logs due: Jun 30. Rules <http://www.agcw.org/>

Alessandro Volta RTTY DX Contest--Digital, from May 14, 1200Z to May 15, 1200Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST, serial, CQ zone. Logs due: Jun 30. Rules <http://www.contestvolta.com/>

Armed Forces Communications Test--Phone,Digital, from May 14, 1200Z to May 15, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Frequencies: See Web site for specific station schedules. Exchange: RS(T). Logs due: no logs. Rules <http://www.netcom.army.mil/mars>

CQ-M International DX Contest--Phone,CW, from May 14, 1200Z to May 15, 1200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RS(T) and serial. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.cq-m.andys.ru/>

Nevada Mustang Roundup--Phone,CW,Digital, from May 14, 1700Z to May 15, 1700Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50. Exchange: RS(T) and S/P/C or NV county. Logs due: Jun 15. Rules <http://www.nvqsoparty.info/>

FISTS Spring Sprint--CW, from May 14, 1700Z to May 15, 2100Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RS(T), S/P/C, name, FISTS nr or power. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.fists.org/sprints.html>

Worked All Britain - LF Phone--Phone, from May 15, 1000Z to May 15, 1400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-7. Exchange: RS, serial, and WAB nr or DXCC entity. Logs due: 21 days. Rules <http://www.worked-all-britain.co.uk/>

NAQCC Monthly QRP Sprint--CW, from May 19, 0030Z to May 19, 0230Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Frequencies: Monthly on 2nd Tuesday or 3rd Wednesday (alternating). Exchange: RST, S/P/C, and NAQCC mbr nr or power. Logs due: 4 days. Rules <http://naqcc.info/>

Feld-Hell Hamvention Sprint--Digital, from May 20, 1500Z to May 20, 1700Z and May 20, 1800Z to May 20, 2000Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Frequencies: Multiple operating periods; Monthly on 3rd Saturday. Exchange: RST, QTH, Feld-Hell number. Logs due: 7 days. Rules <http://www.feldhellclub.org/>

Portuguese Navy Day--CW/SSB, from May 21, 1500Z to May 22, 1500Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST, serial, CQ zone. Logs due: 20 days. Rules <http://www.nra.pt/>

EU PSK DX Contest--Digital, from May 21, 1200Z to May 22, 1200Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST and EU area code or serial. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.eu.srars.org/>

His Majesty King of Spain Contest--CW, from May 21, 1200Z to May 22, 1200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RST and serial or EA province. Logs due: Jun 10. Rules <http://www.ure.es/>

VHF+ CONTESTS

50 MHz Spring Sprint--Phone,CW,Digital, from May 15, 2300Z to May 15, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 50. Exchange: Grid Square (6-character preferred). Logs due: 14 days. Rules <http://sites.google.com/site/springvhfupsprints>

Nevada Mustang Roundup--Phone,CW,Digital, from May 14, 1700Z to May 15, 1700Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50. Exchange: RS(T) and S/P/C or NV county. Logs due: Jun 15. Rules <http://www.nvqsoparty.info/>

==> LOG DUE DATES

11 May - 24 May

- May 11 - JIDX CW Contest <http://www.jidx.org/jidxrule-e.html>
- May 12 - 432 MHz Spring Sprint <http://sites.google.com/site/springvhfupsprints/2011-announcement-rules>
- May 12 - NAQCC-EU Monthly Sprint <http://naqcc-eu.org/SprintHelp/SprintRules.pdf>
- May 13 - SKCC Weekend Sprint <http://www.skccgroup.com/sprint/wes/>
- May 14 - TARA Skirmish Digital Prefix Contest <http://www.n2ty.org/seasons/tara_dpx_rules.html>
- May 15 - North Dakota QSO Party <http://www.w0cq.com/ndqso2011.pdf>

- May 15 - Georgia QSO Party <http://gqp.contesting.com/Rules.htm>
- May 16 - Michigan QSO Party <http://www.miqp.org/Rules.htm>
- May 17 - EA-QRP CW Contest
<http://www.eaqrp.com/concurso/test_eaqrp_cw-en.htm>
- May 17 - YU DX Contest
<http://www.yu1srs.org.rs/dl/yudx/Files/yudxrules_2011_eng.pdf>
- May 18 - Ontario QSO Party <http://www.va3cco.com/oqp/rules.htm>
- May 18 - Araucaria VHF Contest
<http://www.avhfc.com/rules/avhfc_ee.pdf>
- May 20 - ES Open HF Championship
<http://www.erau.ee/index.php?Itemid=94>
- May 23 - 10-10 Int. Spring Contest, CW
<http://www.ten-ten.org/Forms/QSOPartyRules_082710.pdf>
- May 23 - Microwave Spring Sprint
<http://sites.google.com/site/springvhfupsprints/2011-announcement-rules>
- May 23 - QRP to the Field <http://www.zianet.com/qrp/QRPTTF/ttf.html>
- May 24 - SP DX RTTY Contest <http://www.pkrvg.org/zbior.html>

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464. Re: Sharing Internet Connection

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-11 16:21:56 UTC
From: moronsbegone <NoThanx@never.org>
Message-ID: <Xns9EE2739DFE831notnowneverorg@127.0.0.1>
Source record: 4554
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc

"Sal M. Onella" <salmonella@food.poisoning.org> wrote in
news:dg3ql.51296$uG1.45551@newsfe16.iad:

>
> "Highland Ham" <rfburns@allbands.net> wrote in message
> news:XMydnYUINNcDVzrUnZ2dnUVZ8omWnZ2d@pipex.net...
>
>> In the end it all boils down to : Trust thy neigbour.
>> Also ,there is no life without risk.
>>
>> Frank GM0CSZ / KN6WH
>
> Glory be to God! I failed absolutely!
>
> No, no NO! What I said was: Do NOT trust your neighbor
> with your Internet connection. He is not as concerned with
> keeping you out of prison as you would want him to be if
> you are a freedom-loving soul. His misdeeds (or the
> misdeeds of people who have access to his computer,
> connected wirelessly to your 802.11 Internet connection)
> will be blamed on you. He does the deed -- you get the
> beating.
>
> If there is no life without risk, go down to the packing
> plant and stick your dick in the pickle slicer. Maybe
> nothing will happen.
>
> ;-)
> "Sal"
> (KD6VKW, a Lowland Ham -- 458 ft AMSL and hoping for not
> very much sea level rise)
>
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>

This thread's gone to the Natzi's of Hitler. WOOOOOPS there
goes this thread .

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May You reep the poverrty You have Voted for.

465. MMMonVHF Newsletter 2011-05-12

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-12 07:02:05 UTC
From: MMMonVHF News Mailer <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <201105120659.p4C6xp62021323@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 4555
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our lastet NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2011-05-12
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter, once a week (thursday)
from now on - if any special activities will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further detail please be so kind and watch our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you vy welcome for any
input and we do hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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** EADX 6M contest **

The rules the EADX 6M contest to be held on the 23rd and 24th July
this year may be found at the following page uksmg.org/page.php?69
A link has also been provided on our Contest
< http://uksmg.org/page.php?5 > page and entered in our Calendar...
SOURCE: Dai, G8FXM via The UK Six Metre Group: Announcement

** The 144 MHz EME NewsLetter - Current Issue May 2011 **

Since 2003 DF2ZC publishes the 144 MHz EME NewsLetter. This is
a free service for the EME community. Bernd, DF2ZC, informed us
that the latest edition of the EME-Newsletter is now available
at: http://www.df2zc.de/newsletter - EMENL2011045 [1.028 KB] 73
SOURCE: tnx to Bernd, DF2ZC to MMMonVHF

** MoonSked 1.6.3 released **

Another minor update made: New in 1.6.3: Improved software updater -
now downloads directly rather than using browser. New in 1.6.2: Mac &
Windows: Now loads ALL calls from call3.txt, not only "EME" calls -
(Thanks Allan ZS1LS) - Windows: Now uses "Lucida Console" font for
printing schedules which should make the columns line up better.
(Thanks Guy VK2KU) - Updates are free and available either from my
website or from "Check for Updates..." under the Help menu. 73
http://www.gm4jjj.co.uk/MoonSked/moonsked.htm

SOURCE: David, GM4JJJ, via MoonNet

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: ER ; Square: KN45 ; Start: 2011-05-11 **
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A Team around ER5WU, ER5GR, ER0/K1WE, ER0/UY5HF and ER0/US8ZAL
is qrv from KN45cv on 144 MHZ MS EME and Tropo - In time of
Moon pass we will work with call ER5WU. QSL via US8ZAL
LATEST NEWS from Vlad, US8ZAL, dated 2011-05-09: Yesterday I received
a license to operate from Moldova. We leave tomorrow, May 10. We hope
to be in Cahul, KN45cv, at morning May 11. It was a pleasant surprise,
that the license specified band 50 MHz. Sorry, time for training any
more. We will plan the next expedition. During the passage of the
moon will work callsign with ER5WU. 73! Vlad, US8ZAL
SOURCE: tnx to Vlad, US8ZAL, via MMMonVHF
LATEST NEWS from the ER-Team, dated 2011-05-12:
0555 UT: ALL: ER5WU QRV on 370 (QSY 360) now 1st period .... weak
refls at the moment in JN75 / Boris, S51AT, report at KST-Chat

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** DXCC: SV ; Square: KN20 ; Start: 2011-06-30 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3800

Gabi, HA1YA , back at Thassos (SV8/KN20HS) on HF, 50, 70 and 144 MHz
I will active again from my Thassos isl QTH on HF,2-4-6m on MISC
mode. I prefer the 4/6m MS operation with SV8/HA1YA callsign
SOURCE: tnx to Gabi, HA1YA, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: OH / MM ; Square: KP31 & more ; Start: 2011-06-30 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3803

As in previous years, Gerd, DL2SB will be heading to finland,
between july 3rd and july 29th, 2011 and be qrv as OH5SB ad OH5SB/MM.
He will be qrv from the ship as OH5SB/MM on july 3rd and on july 29th
on 2m on qrg 144,300 MHz and qsy to qrg 144,288 MHz. There will be no
HF and 50 Mhz from the ship these time! Between those dates he will
be qrv from finland (KP31) as OH5SB on HF, 50 MHz and 144 MHz. As well
he will try to make a visit with his Girlfriend, Britta (DN2SB/OH5SB
second OP), at the SRAL summer Meeting (july 14th)...
SOURCE: tnx to Gerd, DL2SB, direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
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** SV8/HA0HW qrv again from Thassos Island **

Laci, HA0HW, will once again be active as J48HW and SV8/HA0HW from Thassos Island (IOTA EU-174, GIOTA NAS-037, MIA MG-124, WLOTA 4186, WW Loc. KN20HS) between 26th May and 5th June 2011. He will take part in the CQ WPX CW contest as J48HW on SO HP AB TB-WIRES. After the contest Laci will be QRV on all HF band +6 m with monoband fishing pole verticals and a 2x17m doublet feeding with ladder line. He has a small MOS-FET amplifier with 300-400 Watts output power. All QSLs are ok via HA QSL bureau! SOURCE: [HA0HW] via via ICPO Bulletin

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** K5N at EL58 in 2011--A Grid Bandits DXpedition **

LATEST K5N Activation group announcement, dated 2011-05-11:
Hi all, Getting close to launch..... We will be leaving from Venice on Thursday morning, June 2nd, heading for EL58, leaving on Monday the 6th. Hopefully by noon we will have the station on the air making thousands of contacts.. :) Our frequency will be, for the entire trip, 50.210mc. for ALL modes. 1st sequence for Meteor Scatter always. If we are very lucky, we will be able to get cellular internet, but if not, please check with Pingjockey for updates on when we have switched modes. Joey, W5TFW, should be able to hear us when we change and report. For the team, we hope to work everybody needing this grid and will run continuous for the 4 days, hoping to turn the grid color from orange to green on everyone's need list maps... I forgot to mention our team, sorry guys... Marshall-K5QE, Bill-N5YA, Bob-WN2E, Daniel-KE5KDM, Danny-N5OMG and welcoming our new member, Russ-KB8U... :) At home and our support team: Joey-W5TFW, and Bill-K5YG who will be in contact with us thoughout the trip, and JD-N0IRS with the web support... Our info can be viewed at:
http://kcvhfgridbandits.com/kc_vhf_grid_bandits_044.htm thanks JD.
or email at: k5n"at"bellsouth.net 73 for now...
SOURCE: Danny, N5OMG - For the K5N Activation Group
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3631

** DM86 (and maybe DM85) activation briefly on Friday morning, 5/13 **

I'm planning to be in DM86 Thursday (tomorrow, 5/12) night and early Friday (5/13) morning, and am hoping to briefly put DM86 and maybe DM85 on the air. Thursday evening will be SSB, if 6m band is open. Friday morning will be FSK441, roughly 5:30am to 9:30 or 10am CDT. Although I've done a bit of VHF/6m rovering before, I've never done it with FSK441 -- so it is possible something may not work right (especially considering it will be Friday the 13th)! So if it fails for some reason -- my apologies in advance.
Details: Callsign will be NT5HS Thursday evening, 5/12, traveling to

DM86, will be on SSB if band open. Friday morning, 5/13, hope to be on GRID LINE of DM86 + DM85, FSK441, for perhaps 4 hours. Will have 100w + 3 element beam @ 25. Will start on 50.260: CQ 252 NT5HS [maybe include DM86], me 1st, ST on, report, and I'll either skip the 73 or only send it once; after a QSO on 50.252, I'll CQ & listen on 252 for a few minutes, then to back to 260 and CQ as described above (note I will NOT be listening on 50.260) -- will try to point antenna in different directions, more easterly earlier, and tending toward the west later in the 4-hour period. Will try to update PJ an hour in advance, but won't have internet at the location. Will also try to be in same location or possibly DM87 or DM96 7 to 9 days later on return trip. Long details, for those curious:
http://www.powerlinenoise.com/n0rq/vhf/ 73
SOURCE: Dave N0RQ via WSJT Reflector
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3814

** special Event CR55PQ qrv HF and 6m **

Algarve STAR DX Team members Miguel CT1EHX, Toze CT1GFK and Mike CT1IUA will be active inside of Portuguese Airborne Troops School celebrating 55th years of this military school on 21-23 May 2011. Callsign will be CR55PQ (CR 55th years Para-Quedistas). QRV on 80-6 metres, using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL card via CT1EHX, bureau or direct
Website: http://algarvedx.com/
SOURCE: [Algarve STAR DX Team] via via ICPO Bulletin (06-13 May 2011)

** Howard WB4WXE return to St. Lucia / FK93 **

Howard WB4WXE is planning a return to St. Lucia again 25 June- 15 July 2011. Callsign this year will be J68HS. This is a 50 Mhz expedition. However, when 6 meters is quiet, attention will be given to 12m, 17m, 40m, and 160m. Operation site will be at 2,000 foot elevation over looking Soufriere, St. Lucia. Grid square is FK 93. Antennas this year include a 6 element Yagi for 6m, 2 element Yagi for 17m, and full size 1/2 wave vertical for 160m, 40m and 12. Equipment will be an Icom IC-706 with Tokyo Hy-Power HL-550fx 550 watt 1.8-50 mhz amplifier. QSL via QRZ.com for J68HS. An additional 200 watt 50 mhz amplifier will be travelling to J69MV for year round resident activity on 6m. Tot has the 6m Yagi up now so expect to hear bo th callsigns this summer. 73, Howard - SOURCE: Howard WB4WXE via UKSMetre Group Announce

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** 6M FM QRP as V25GP in FK97 **

Hello all... Going to be traveling to Antigua. I will be there for the next 10 days. Starting 5/7 to 5/17, mabey longer. I will be V25GP operating a Yaesu VX5-R (at 5w) along with a Diamond SRH940 antenna on 52.525FM. Will be staying in Grid Square FK97BD and BC BUT may be

operating from any of the following FK97CD, BD, BC, BB, CA, CB, DC, DB. 73! Pete KB2DY SOURCE: tnx to Andy, N8OFS, direct to MMMonVHF

** Angola, C9, by Andre C91UA/ZS5UA on SIX Meter **

I have recently started working in Mozambique - grid KG64fb - and am slowly getting a 6m station together - every piece of equipment has to be smuggled in over many trips :) . In the coming week starting 1/5/2011 I will be transmitting low power PSK31 during the evenings and during weekends when not at work. 50w into dipole. At this stage there is no allocation for 50Mhz in Mozambique so will keep the QRO (1kw into 2 6M5 yagi) for when the band opens up and hope no one complains. So if people periodically listens in my direction I would appreciate any feedback. Kind Regards, Andre C91UA/ZS5UA SOURCE: Andre C91UA/ZS5UA via (Sixitalia)

** C2, NAURU, qrv on HF and 50 MHz **

The Pacific-DXer's Web page is reporting that the C21A DXpedition dates have been decided, and plans are progressing. The operation will take place between November 13th and December 7th. Operations will be led by Bill, VK4FW, with liaison support by Eddie VK4AN. They expect to have 6 operators and 3 stations active on all bands 160-6 meters using CW/SSB/RTTY/PSK31. They will also participate in the CQWW DX CW Contest as a M/M or M/2 entry. QSLing will be handled by the Pacific DXers. SOURCE: [DX-ENG] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1010

** TM0Z from IOTA EU-105 / IN88AR qrv on HF and 50 MHz **

Operators Joel/F1BLQ, Michel/F5EOT, Eric/F5LOW, Laurent/F5MNK and Bertrand/F6HKA will be active as TM0Z from Batz Island between May 21-26TH. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via F5EOT, direct or by the Bureau. For more details, go to: http://www.frag33.org/www.cdxg.org/homeuk.html SOURCE: [DX-ENG] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1010

** Czech OPs qrv from SM, SWEDEN **

A group of operators from the Czech Republic, belonging to the radio clubs OK1ONA/OL1C and OK1KCU, will be active from Sweden between May 14-21st. Team members are OK1IEC, OK1IPS, OK1FPQ, OK1UZW, OK1JAX, OK1JST and OK1HWS. They will stay in a cottage near Vaggeryd. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes with two stations on the air. Operators will use their home callsigns according to CEPT. QSL via their home callsigns or via OK1ONA/OL1C. A special QSL card will be sent for each QSO. For more info, see:

http://www.ol1c.cz SOURCE: [DX-ENG] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1010

** SV9, CRETE in the air on HF and 6m **

Operators Jindrich/OK1AMM, Franta/OK1HH and Bohumil/OK2BOB will be
active as SV9/homecall/p from Agia Marina (Grid. Loc. KM15XM) on the
Island of Crete (EU-015) between 1200z, May 17th and 0300z, May 28th
Activity will be on all bands (mainly 17/12/10/6 meters) using CW
and SSB. The group will operate some days from Gramvousa Island or
Gavdos Island (IOTA EU-187). QSL via their home callsigns.
SOURCE: [DX-ENG] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1010

** GB0HI from Holy on the air on HF and 6m **

Ricky G0LZX, Paul G0WRE and Kev M0TNX will be active as GB0HI from
Holy/Lindisfarne Island (EU-120) from about 5 UTC on 14 May until
about 5 UTC on the 15th. Plans are to operate SSB with some digital
modes and CW, on 40, 30, 20, 17 and 15, plus 6m if conditions allow.
QSL via M0OXO (see www.m0oxo.com for instructions).
SOURCE: [TNX M0TNX] via 425 DX News #1044

** Lampedusa Island (AF-019) on the air on HF and 6m **

Ezio IK2AHB, Diego IW2MZX, Andrea IZ2AJE, Enzo IZ2GLU and Fabio
IZ2GMT will be active on the HF bands and possibly 6m as IG9E from
Lampedusa Island (AF-019) on 18-23 May. They will operate CW, SSB
and digital modes (PSK31 and RTTY) with three stations. QSL via
IK2AHB, direct or bureau. Log search at www.vbdxc.altervista.org
SOURCE: [TNX IZ2GMT] via 425 DX News #1044

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73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

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466. Launch of "Ham Nation"

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-12 14:27:25 UTC
From: ARRL Members Only Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20110512140208.27A3420603@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 4556
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

>From Allen Pitts, W1AGP, Media & PR Manager, ARRL:

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467. The ARRL Letter for May 12, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-12 21:34:37 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20110512181120.6CAA624C0B@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 4557
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==> + PUBLIC SERVICE: AS WEATHER CLEARS IN SOUTHEAST, HAMS CONTINUE TO
PROVIDE SUPPORT

Even though the storms that raged through the Southeast have long gone,
the damage and heartache they left in their wake are still present. In
Alabama, the state that felt the biggest brunt of the storms, hams made
their way to fire stations, emergency operations centers and shelters
-- anywhere they were told that they were needed.
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Calling it his first experience with an EF-5 tornado, ARRL Southeastern Division Director Greg Sarratt, W4OZK, said that the devastation is "mind-boggling! ARES® successfully provided a massive amount of critical communications, got repeaters back on the air, with no utility power. It took five days before significant utility power was restored; my power was restored on the evening of Day Six. ARES® has gone above and beyond in supporting multiple government and not-government organizations and conducting many other tasks, all at once. ARES® works!" Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/as-weather-clears-in-southeast-hams-continue-to-provide-support>.

==> FCC COMMISSIONER MEREDITH ATTWELL BAKER TO LEAVE FCC IN JUNE

On May 12, FCC Commissioner Meredith Attwell Baker announced that she would be leaving her post on June 3 -- just 27 days before her term expires -- creating a Republican vacancy on the Commission. Chairman Julius Genachowski, along with Commissioners Michael Copps and Mignon Clyburn, are Democrats, while Commissioner Robert McDowell is a Republican. Only three sitting Commissioners may be of the same political party.

Baker was nominated by President Barack Obama on June 25, 2009 and sworn in just five weeks later. She filled the unexpired term of fellow Republican and former Chairman Kevin J. Martin, who resigned in January 2009; her term is set to expire June 30, 2011.

Baker will join Comcast as its Senior Vice President of Government Affairs, NBCUniversal. "I've been privileged to serve in government for the past seven years under President Obama at the FCC and President [George W.] Bush at NTIA," she said in a statement released by Comcast. "I'm excited to embark on a new phase of my career with Comcast and NBCUniversal." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-commissioner-meredith-attwell-baker-to-leave-fcc-in-june>.

==> + ARRL EXPO AT THE DAYTON HAMVENTION®: WHERE THE DX COMES TO YOU!

ARRL Membership and Volunteer Programs Manager Dave Patton, NN1N, reports that plans for a plethora of DX activities at the ARRL EXPO -- part of the 2011 Dayton Hamvention® -- are wrapping up. "We are excited about the activities that will be taking place," he said. "Visitors to the EXPO will see a lot of activities relating to DX, including DXCC card checking, a chance to drop off QSL cards for the ARRL Outgoing QSL Bureau and even an expanded International Amateur Radio Union area." The Dayton Hamvention will take place May 20-22 at Hara Arena, located near Dayton, Ohio. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-expo-at-the-dayton-hamvention-where-the-dx-comes-to-you>.

==> + AMATEUR RADIO IN SPACE: CELEBRATING 50 YEARS OF OSCAR I AND AMATEUR RADIO SATELLITES

By ARRL News Editor S. Khrystyne Keane, K1SFA

1961. It was the middle of the Cold War. John F. Kennedy is inaugurated as the 35th President of the United States. The Bay of Pigs invasion fails in Cuba. The Beatles perform for the first time at the Cavern Club in Liverpool. Freedom Riders are arrested in Jackson, Mississippi for "disturbing the peace" after disembarking from their bus. Construction of the Berlin Wall begins. Roger Maris of the New York Yankees hits his 61st home run in the last game of the season, beating the 34 year old record held by Babe Ruth. Barbie gets a boyfriend when Mattel introduces the Ken doll.

Just four years earlier, the Soviet Union had launched Sputnik I, the first human-made object to orbit the Earth, ushering in the Space Age. For the next 30 years, the Cold War rivalry between the US and the former Soviet Union focused on attaining firsts in space exploration. These were seen as necessary for national security and symbolic of technological and ideological superiority. The "space race" involved pioneering efforts to launch artificial satellites, sub-orbital and orbital human spaceflight around the Earth, as well as piloted voyages to the Moon.

1961. Mercury-Redstone 2 launches into space carrying Ham the Chimp. Soviet cosmonaut Yuri Gagarin becomes the first human in space. Alan Shepard becomes the first American in space aboard Mercury-Redstone 3. Gus Grissom, piloting the Mercury-Redstone 4 capsule Liberty Bell 7, becomes the second American to go into space. OSCAR I -- Orbiting Satellite Carrying Amateur Radio -- the very first Amateur Radio satellite, is launched into space.

Barely four months after the successful launch of Sputnik I, the United States launches the unmanned Explorer I on January 31, 1958. At about that same time, a group of hams on the West Coast -- Lance Ginner, K6GSJ; Chuck Smallhouse, W6MGZ; Ed Beck, K6ZX; Al Diem; Chuck Townes, K6LFH (SK), and Nick Marshall, W6OLO (SK) -- begin toying with the idea of launching an Amateur Radio satellite into orbit and organized themselves into Project OSCAR. After a series of high level exchanges among Project OSCAR members, the ARRL and the US Air Force, a launch opportunity on a Thor DM-21 Agena-B rocket from Vandenberg Air Force Base in California was secured for the very first Amateur Radio satellite: OSCAR I. It was successfully launched into a low Earth orbit on the morning of December 12, 1961 -- four years after the launch of Sputnik I. The satellite was also the world's first non-government bird.

Fifty years -- 1961 to 2011 -- is a long time -- and an important milestone, thought ARRL Lab Test Engineer Bob Allison, WB1GCM. And then he had a lightbulb moment: Why not take the back-up OSCAR I on display at ARRL Headquarters and make it work again? So W1AW Station Manager Joe Carcia, NJ1Q and Allison began tinkering with the satellite, one of three made by Project OSCAR. One of the satellites went up into space in 1961, one is on display at the Smithsonian Air and Space Museum in Washington, DC and the other was until recently sitting in a display

case on the first floor of the HQ building in Newington.

After much trial and error, Carcia finally got OSCAR I to transmit a signal on 145 MHz, just as the original satellite did. "Since specific technical literature on the satellite was unavailable, information taken from 1962 QST and CQ articles assisted in the reconstruction of the transmitter in the ARRL unit," Carcia explained. "Much care was given to salvage the original components, although time had taken its toll on most of the circuitry. As such, although the transmitter functions, the actual keying of the transmitter is performed using a PIC beacon keyer. Power is supplied using a standard wall-cube providing 12 V dc."

In honor of OSCAR I's 50th anniversary, the rebuilt satellite will be on display at the ARRL EXPO area at the Dayton Hamvention, May 20-22 at Hara Arena in Trotwood, Ohio. "We have hooked OSCAR I up to a dummy load running very low power, and as you walk by, you will hear it transmit "HI HI," just as it did 50 years ago," Allison said. Since the transmission does not identify, you won't be able to pick it up on your handheld transceiver while at Hara. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/oscar-i-and-amateur-radio-satellites-celebrating-50-years>.

==> + HONORING AMATEUR RADIO: MAINE HONORS HAMS ON WORLD AMATEUR RADIO DAY

In a joint resolution released on April 14, the Maine House and Senate recognized the nearly 5000 licensed ham radio operators in Maine and their service to the state. The resolution proclaimed April 18 Amateur Radio Day in the state. April 18 was also World Amateur Radio Day, marking the 86th anniversary of the founding of International Amateur Radio Union. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/maine-honors-hams-on-world-amateur-radio-day>.

==> + ON THE AIR: ANNUAL ARMED FORCES DAY CROSSBAND TEST SCHEDULED FOR MAY 14

The Army, Air Force, Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard are co-sponsoring the annual Military/Amateur Radio Crossband Communications Test in celebration of the 61st anniversary of Armed Forces Day (AFD). Although the actual Armed Forces Day is celebrated on the third Saturday in May -- May 21 in 2011 -- the AFD Military/Amateur Crossband Communications Test will be conducted on May 14 to prevent conflict with the Dayton Hamvention®, scheduled for May 20-22. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/annual-armed-forces-day-crossband-test-scheduled-for-may-14>.

==> AMATEUR RADIO IN THE CLASSROOM: HIGH SCHOOL RADIO CLUB TO OFFER FREE FOXHUNTING TRANSMITTER KITS

Miguel Enriquez, KD7RPP, is an Instructor with the ARRL's Teachers Institute on Wireless Technology, as well as a math and electronics teacher at Pueblo High School in Tucson, Arizona. One of his responsibilities at Pueblo is advising the school's Amateur Radio club. "Our radio club has discovered how much fun ham radio can be as a way to improve the math, science, technology and communications skills of the students," he told the ARRL. "We are also fortunate that the ARRL has been generous in providing us with equipment, materials, supplies and curricula. Without their support, we would not currently be involved in building QRP transceivers, ATV downconverters for our Amateur Television station (W7ATN), underwater robots for mapping lakes recently discovered in caves in the Southwest -- and fox hunt transmitters." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/high-school-radio-club-to-offer-free-foxhunting-transmitter-kits>.

==> AMATEUR RADIO IN THE CLASSROOM: RIT STUDENTS SUCCESSFULLY LAUNCH HIGH ALTITUDE BALLOON

The Rochester Institute of Technology Amateur Radio Club, K2GXT, had a successful launch of RITCHIE-1 -- a custom high altitude balloon designed by members of K2GXT -- at the Imagine RIT Festival on May 7. According to RITARC Vice President Bryce Salmi, KB1LQC, the goal of the launch was not to reach high altitudes to take images, but to engineer a reliable, modular and reusable payload with good engineering practice. "Saturday's launch went perfect," Salmi told the ARRL. "The launch was streamed live to the Internet and a local television station even produced a segment for their newscast on it." The club won the Academic Award for the balloon at the festival. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/rit-students-successfully-launch-high-altitude-balloon>.

==> 2011 ARRL/TAPR DIGITAL COMMUNICATIONS CONFERENCE CALL FOR PAPERS

Technical papers are solicited for presentation at the 30th Annual ARRL/TAPR Digital Communications Conference, to be held September 16-18 in Baltimore, Maryland. Papers will also be published in the Conference Proceedings. Authors do not need to attend the conference to have their papers included in the Proceedings. The submission deadline is July 31, 2011. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/2011-arrl-tapr-digital-communications-conference-call-for-papers>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad " The Sun ain't gonna shine anymore <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2eAxCVTMJ-I>" Cook, K7RA, reports: Currently, we can see six sunspot groups. A new one appeared May 5, then two more on May 8, another two on May 9 and another new one on May 11. The average sunspot number for this week rose nearly 7 points to 74.6 and geomagnetic conditions were quiet all week. But the latest forecast shows unsettled geomagnetic conditions on Thursday (today) with a planetary A index of 15, then 10, 5, 8, 8 and 10 on May 13-17,

then 5 on May 18-25. Solar flux values of 95 are predicted for May 12-17, 100 and 105 on May 18-19 and 110 on May 20-30. NASA had an updated prediction for the peak of Solar Cycle 24 on May 9, and it is 7 points higher -- and one month earlier -- than the April 4 prediction. On April 4, NASA predicted the smallest cycle in 200 years, with a peak smoothed sunspot number of 62 in July 2013. This month, that estimate has been raised to 69, and the peak moved forward one month to June 2013. NASA now says this will likely be the smallest cycle in 100 years, instead of 200. Look for more information on the ARRL website on Friday, May 13. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by the Walker Brothers' The Sun Ain't Gonna Shine Anymore <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The_Sun_Ain%27t_Gonna_Shine_%28Anymore%29>.

==> + SILENT KEY: NOTED DXER BEN STEVENSON, W2BXA (SK)

Ben Stevenson, W2BXA, of Colonia, New Jersey, passed away on May 5, 2011. He was 97. An ARRL member since 1934, Stevenson was also a charter member of the North Jersey DX Association (NJDXA) since 1957, serving as its first president. Stevenson held Satellite DXCC #1, Mixed DXCC #6 (390 countries confirmed) and Phone DXCC #6 (388 countries confirmed). Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/noted-dxer-ben-stevenson-w2bxa-sk>.

==> THIS WEEK ON THE RADIO

This week:

- May 14 -- FISTS Spring Sprint; FOC QSO Party
- May 14-15 -- Nevada Mustang Roundup; EUCW Fraternizing CW QSO Party; CQ-M International DX Contest; VOLTA WW RTTY Contest; 50 MHz Spring Sprint
- May 16 -- Run for the Bacon QRP Contest
- May 19 -- NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint

Next week:

- May 20 -- Feld Hell Sprint
- May 21-22 -- UN DX Contest; Aegean RTTY Contest; His Majesty King of Spain Contest (CW); EU PSK DX Contest; Baltic Contest
- May 25 -- SKCC Sprint
- May 25-26 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more info. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- June 3-5 -- ARRL Northwestern Division Convention (SeaPac)
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/northwestern-division-convention-seapac-1>,
Seaside, Oregon; ARRL Wyoming State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/wyoming-state-convention>, Cheyenne,
Wyoming
- June 4 -- ARRL Atlantic Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/atlantic-division-convention-rochester-hamfest-
1>,
Rochester, New York; ARRL East Bay Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/east-bay-section-convention>, Berkeley,
California; ARRL Georgia State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/georgia-state-convention-atlanta-hamfest>,
Marietta, Georgia
- June 10-11 -- ARRL National Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arrl-national-convention-ham-com-2011>,
Plano, Texas
- June 11 -- ARRL Tennessee State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/tennessee-state-convention-1>, Knoxville,
Tennessee
- July 2 -- ARRL Eastern Pennsylvania Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/eastern-pennsylvania-section-convention-firecra
cker-hamfest-1>,
Marysville, Pennsylvania
- July 15-17 -- ARRL Montana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/montana-state-convention-glacier-waterton-inter
national-hamfest>,
Essex, Montana
- July 29-30 -- ARRL Oklahoma State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/oklahoma-state-convention-ham-holiday-2011>,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

To find a convention or hamfest near you, click here
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468. Will Osama bin Laden become a Moslem Joan of Arc?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-13 02:35:04 UTC
From: fitz <zeusrdx@yahoo.com>
Message-ID: <00e82748-f7f6-41eb-b523-eec47aeddfa9@j23g2000yqc.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4558

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(Click blue link to read "Will Osama bin Laden become a Moslem Joan of Arc?" - It's FREE.}

http://www.rbduncan.com/joan-d-arc.htm

469. [Vk1wia-news] WIA News, Text Edition

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-13 08:13:12 UTC
From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
Message-ID: <75f7a3e0-f5ae-4815-9e2f-925195060e12@smxsrv01.vintek.net>
Source record: 4559
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2011-05-15.mp3
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WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING May 15 2011.

Your news crew this week, Bob VK6POP, John VK6FB, Onno VK6FLAB and Dennis
VK6KAD.

WIa Director Phil Adams reports on the National Field Day.

The School Of The Air celebrates 60 years on air.

THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING MAY 15.

SCHOOL DAYS

This week Australia's School of the Air celebrated 60 years since its first
lesson from Alice Springs Royal Flying Doctor Base was transmitted.

June is officially the anniversary but students have travelled to the Alice
to take part in special events throughout the week.

Before the School of the Air, students from outback areas had to attend
boarding schools or do their school work by mail.

Organiser Belinda Pearson says the anniversary is a time to reflect on the
changes technology has made to School of the Air operations.

"We've got families in our schools where the mums and dads started off in the radio days," she said. "Kids are now sitting in front of computers, speaking with their teachers and their classmates via video-conferencing."

Digital radio bid

Tasmania's two major cities could have digital radio within a year if an application by Commercial Radio Australia is successful.

The organisation is applying to Regional Development Australia to fund digital broadcasting services in Hobart and Launceston.

Hobart was the only capital city to be excluded when digital radio was rolled out to mainland capital cities in 2009.

So many new things and benefits as a result of digital radio, in the same way that digital television has offered opportunities for Tasmanian viewers.

If successful, the application would see Launceston become the first non-capital city to receive digital radio in Australia.

(Darwin via Grant Broadcasters is currently under trial with DAB+)

WIA

FROM ANDERSSON HOUSE THE WEEKLY WIA DIRECTORS SPOT.

WIA National Field Day - Future Directions

Many radio clubs and individuals have now contributed to the success of the WIA National Field Day under the banner of Tune-In To The World - Amateur Radio Gets People Talking.

You should be proud of the publicity generated by your efforts.

The WIA National Field Day has now promoted amateur radio to the general public twice in the last 6 months. Many people are now more aware of our activities and some have even started to study or enrolled in your Amateur Radio courses.

I would firstly like to thank the WIA National Field Day committee consisting of Paul VK5PH, Gerard VK5ZQV and Fred VK3DAC, for the effort in guiding the first two National Field Days.

Regretfully, Paul has tendered his resignation from the committee to further pursue his family, scouting and other ar interests. I wish him good luck for the future. My thanks is also extended to Jim VK3PC, Graham VK4BB and Robert VK3DN for their work in publicising the event.

Some people have asked about the participation certificates and I am pleased to report that both the inaugural 2010 and certificates for the 2011 events are now being prepared. I apologise for the delay in the production of these certificates.

The date for submitting the Logs, Reports and Photos of the 2011 event was last Friday the 13th of May and the work of reviewing your recent efforts has already commenced.

The results and some of the photos will be published in both AR and via wia.org.au

Looking forward, I invite clubs and individuals to consider the ongoing development of the WIA National Field Day including the event name and catch phrase or slogan. Some comments have been received with the reports submitted.

I now invite interested individuals and clubs to submit your ideas that may assist to determine the future direction of this important amateur radio publicity event. Your input is requested by the 30th of June. I would also be pleased to hear your ideas in Darwin at the WIA Annual Conference.

Thank -you Philip Adams - VK3JNI

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

News from North Queensland

- FNNQARG! 2011 Cancelled !

The word is in regarding the running of the Far North and North Queensland Amateur Radio Gathering for 2011 - Cancellation due to Yasi, more in QNEWS.

VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news

BLUE MOUNTAINS

The Blue Mountains Amateur Radio Club held it's AGM on Friday the 6th of May.

The committee for this year is.

Richard VK2WAY as President
Andrew VK2XPT as Vice President
Felicity VK2GRR as Secretary
John VK2VJA as Treasurer.

Other members elected are. Alf VK2YAC, Carl VK2HRC and Erik VK2MAN as the club committee members.

Tony VK2HO as Repeater Manager, Daniel VK2DC as Club Historian, Richard VK2WAY as Education Manager, Dennis VK2RM as the HF Net Manager, Andrew VK2XPT as Web Manager and Danny VK2FDCA as Publicity Officer and Ragchew Editor.

The club would like to thank the outgoing committee for their great work over the past year and wish the new committee the best of luck for the next year.

The club is currently holding meetings at the MYRO hall in Mt Riverview, please check out the clubs website for more information at www.bmarc.org

(Publicity Officer Danny VK2FDCA)

OXLEY

VK2RPM (146.700 Mhz output) repeater has been upgraded with a new Icom IC-FR3000 50 watt commercial repeater, and 6" cavity filters.

CTCSS frequency is 91.5 Hz.

(sourced to John McLean VK2KC Honorary Secretary Oxley Region ARC Inc.)

Wagga Wagga & District Amateur Radio Club.

While not until next month the Wagga Wagga & District Amateur Radio Club's AGM will be held in the Club room in Small Street, Wagga Wagga on Friday 24th JUNE at 8 pm.

VK4 - QNEWS
web service local audio news:- www.wiaq.com/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
local news email qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
VKR Roundup http://www.police.qld.gov.au/News+and+Alerts/Media+Releases/

Welcome to QNews from VK4WIA. I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP, and I've been thinking.

In progressing the emergency communications training program, the Wireless Institute has suggested a name for the program.

http://www.wia.org.au/newsevents/news/2011/20110510-1/index.php

In keeping with the name of a previous Army wireless network, the acronym of RAVEN is suggested. Already reaction has been experienced as the last letter stands for network. Some of the adherents of the existing WICEN groups are worried that this might suggest the Institute is preparing to displace WICEN.

Here, it seems to me, that the Institute has always been extremely clear that the intention has been provide the community with suitably trained amateurs to help in emergency and to support those volunteers with training, accreditation and insurance. The Institute has specifically stated it does not intend to replace WICEN.

What we need to do is make sure of our facts, otherwise we end up with just a crow and not a RAVEN. Our radio spectrum is vast and precious commodity and to restate on old axiom, it's up to the amateurs to "use it or lose it."

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think....how about you?

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TABLELANDS RADIO AND ELECTRONICS CLUB
vk4wat@wia.org.au
www.treclub.org.au

G'Day again from Far North Queensland, where the wet season is finally drawing to a close and the cooler days are starting, this is Dale VK4DMC for the Tablelands Radio and Electronics Club, TREC, in Far North Queensland.

At the April TREC meeting Ron Goodhew VK4EMF gave an update on the historical radio station XQA which will be on permanent display at the Mareeba Heritage Museum on the Atherton Tablelands.

Ron has been instrumental in acquiring and setting up this fascinating display of the first licensed Queensland Amateur Radio station (a spark gap station) that was operated by Marcus Brims in Mareeba in 1914. It is believed that the station is basically still in an operational condition.

Last weekend TREC members provided communications and check point manning for the Far North Endurance Riders in the Wondecla region of the Atherton Tablelands. A great day out in the bush was had by all.

The 2011 get together of North Queensland and Far North Queensland amateurs, FNNQARG, that was to be held over the Queen's birthday weekend has been cancelled due to damage caused by Cyclone Yasi to Kurrimine Beach in February.

Well that's your lot for this week.

Visit the revamped TREC website at www.treclub.org.au for club information and you can also download the latest monthly club news in TREC-NEWS. Past issues are also available on the site.

This has been Dale VK4DMC and you are listening to QNEWS. Travel Well!

TRG activate Mount Fox

Members and friends of the Tablelands Radio Group will be spending some time on the wallaby to Mount Fox around this weekend of 14th and 15th of May, involved with some serious loafing, inspecting and helping out at Rob/VK4ARQ QTH, tromping around the Volcanic Crater, cooking up some mouth watering meals and - doing a bit of HF, VHF and UHF DX using lots of modes of operation.

Keep a listen out for the group this weekend and during the week to come.

(tarc)

NQ Amateur Radio Convention Date

Arguably the "stellar event" in the Radio Amateur calendar.

The 20th Bi-ennial North Queensland Amateur Radio Convention will be happening in Townsville from Fri afternoon 16th to Sunday afternoon 18th September.

The next Convention Planning Session will be happening on Tuesday 17th May from 7-30pm at the TARC Club Rooms. All welcome to attend.

VK5

Good morning this is Charles VK5HD for the South East Radio Group.

This year our annual radio convention will be held on Sunday the 12th of June.

Yes one day only.

The scout hall on Margaret Street will open at 10am and close at 2pm.
The scout hall is located behind the Mount Gambier Police Station.
Entry fee is $5.

The Australian Fox Hunting Championships are also being held in Mount Gambier on the same weekend. The Fox Hunting action starts on the Saturday and goes for two days. Check out the SERG website for more details.

I hope to see you there

EDUCATION YOUTH AND ADVANCEMENT OF AMATEUR RADIO
www.hamcollege.com.au

At age 8, Deltona girl is among youngest ham-radio operators

When many kids her age are learning texting abbreviations such as R O F L or G R 8 T, 8-year-old Mikaila Williams is focused on K K 4 B F K.

"KK4BFK, CQ?" she spoke into the microphone at her Deltona home in the USA, a little timidly but with a big, hopeful smile.

Mikaila is thought to be the youngest ham-radio operator in Central Florida, and she ranks among the youngest in the country holding the general license for amateur radio.

Although ham radios may seem outdated in an era of smartphones and Twitter, hobbyists remain devoted to their frequencies, enjoying the chance for random chatter while standing by to use the airwaves in an emergency.

Read the full Orlando Sentinel article

http://articles.orlandosentinel.com/2011-05-07/news/os-ham-radio-deltona-girl-20110507_1_youngest-ham-radio-national-ham-radio-group-ham-radio

(SOUTHGATE)

NIAGARA GAZETTE

Reading a column in this paper the other day, Bob Confer writes a great expose on the joys of Ham Radio.

The Internet has made the world a smaller place. We can log on to our email and Facebook accounts and share messages with friends and family around the globe. We can use Skype to see and talk to them from the comfort of our homes. It's like the futuristic technology that was once a part of sci-fi movies is here now.

Even so, Bob writes, "there's still a place for the old-fashioned ways of doing things. There's little that's more exciting from a communications hobby standpoint than talking around the world with a two-way radio."

He recently got his radio license KC2ZZW after years of letting lapse a hobby he started and was licensed for back in junior high.

Worth a read, and a copy is on the net right now!

http://niagara-gazette.com/opinion/x264245690/CONFER-The-original-instant-messaging

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART and the WW sources of the WIA.

Automatic meter reading on 169 MHz

What is claimed to be the world's first long range 169 MHz Automatic Meter Reading module has been released, operating in the new harmonized frequency band for meter reading in the British Isles and Europe.

The typical range is claimed to be 1.5 km in urban areas and 20 to 40 km in open terrain with quarter-wave antennas. The module supports two-way communication at 2.4 and 4.8 kbps in 6 narrowband channels, and 38.4 kbps in a 50 kHz channel.

Wireless solutions such as this are a far better approach to reading meters than using the polluting PLT technology.

www.mwee.com/en/News/full-news.html?id=222901764&news_id=222901764&cmp_id=7

HAM AID

The ARRL's Ham Aid Fund has been tapped to aid Amateur Radio operations in Alabama, following the wake of destructive killer tornadoes that ravaged the US state a week or so back.

According to ARRL Chief Development Officer Mary Hobart, K1MMH, hams in Alabama have requested radios and antennas since cell tower sites and repeaters have been damaged and are not yet back up. "The ARRL has already shipped five cases to the state, full of 2 meter, 440 MHz and HF radios, as well as two cases of handheld transceivers with batteries," K1MMH said. "We anticipate the demand for equipment may continue from Alabama and possibly from neighbouring states."

Mary Hobart said that she knows that not every ham can be in Alabama to help out, but every ham can support the effort -- by contributing to the ARRL's Ham Aid Fund: "First created in response to Hurricane Katrina in 2005, the Ham Aid Fund has enabled ARRL to provide vital communication equipment to devastated areas along the Gulf Coast.

Commercial radio in the USA is stepping up to promote amateur radio in times of disaster.

These recent devastating tornadoes in the South are yet another reminder of how vulnerable our communities &#65533; and their communications systems &#65533; are. But when all else fails, amateur radio works.

The American Radio Relay League has produced an advert to help recruit new amateur radio operators who can assist first responders and victims in times of crisis .

The spot was produced and is voiced by WABC Radio's legendary Johnny Donovan, himself an amateur radio operator

(audio supplied)

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2011

2011

Aug 20-21 WW I.L.L.W.

2012

March 17-18 VK JOHN MOYLE MEMORIAL FIELD DAY

Steve VK3TDX has been told by CQ magazine he was the Oceania winner SOAB HP for the 2010 RTTY DX contest with 1326 QSO's, he says "This is my first significant contest win and I get the plaque for Oceania HP but due to a misunderstanding of who was going to sponsor the Oceania plaque my name didn't get printed in the winners on page 16 of the current CQ issue but the contest director confirms that I did win."

(73 Steve VK3TDX via vk6pop)

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

Dam Busters Raid Memorial on 3.617

Tomorrow, Monday 16th May 2011, the Lincoln Short Wave Club will be operating G5FZ on the 80m band as near to 3.617 as conditions allow.

The transmissions will commence at precisely 21.39 - the time the first wave of nine Lancaster bombers of RAF 617 Squadron took-off on the night of 16/17 May 1943, to attack the great dams of Germany using Barnes Wallace's famous 'bouncing bomb'

(text edition only)

MONACO, 3A.

Monaco Telegraphy Group active as 3A2CWG during the month of May in celebration of its 20th anniversary.
QSL via 3A2LF.

AZERBAIJAN, 4J.
4JV3AM active until May 20 only to commemorate the 66 years since the end of World War II.
QSL via RW6HS.

Nepal DXpedition

A multi-national team, all members of Mediterraneo DX Club (MDXC), will be active as 9N0MD from Nepal during November on all HF bands and modes.
The team plans to give away trophies and prizes.

Look for more details and updates at:
www.mdxc.org/nepal/topic1/index.html

(SOUTHGATE)

CR55, PORTUGAL

Members of the Algarve STAR DX Team will be active as CR 55 PQ from the inside of Portuguese Airborne Troops School between May 21-23rd.

Activity is to celebrate 55th years of Para-Military at this school.

Operations will be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY.

QSL via CT 1 EHX, by the Bureau or direct.

(http://algarvedx.com)

ANZA DX Net

Lindsay, VK3WM, boss of the Australia, New Zealand and Africa DX Net (ANZA) writes that the net operation takes place on 20m on 14183 kHz starting every day at 0515 UTC.

Every Saturday they meet also on 21205 kHz starting at 0445 UTC.

The net controllers are John, VK4LJ, Morris, ZL1ANF, Jamie, NH7U, Lindsay, VK3WM, Ray, VK4NH, Rob, ZL1RD Alan, VK3HGN and Col, VK4CC, (Col is also one of our regular readers here on VK1WIA National News.)

http://anzadx.net

(Southgate)

WIRELESS WEATHER

Beginning Tuesday, September 6, the Space Weather Prediction Centre will cease broadcasting its geophysical alert message on WWV and WWVH.

These messages have informed listeners of the solar flux, the mid-latitude A and K indices and space weather storms, both current and predicted. Currently, the message is heard on minute 18 from WWV and minute 45 from WWVH.

The information will still be available on the SWPC website.

www.nws.noaa.gov

(sourced to arrl)

INTRUDER WATCH - ENFORCEMENT ZONE

Region III IARUMS Coordinator Peter Young VK3MV

VK IARUMS reflector email to subscribe intruders@wia.org.au

INTRUDER NETS
Friday 0730 UTC 7.065.5 with VK4CEU David.

Amateur exclusive frequencies where any non-amateur signal is definitely an intruder.

Amateur HF Spectrum world wide
7.050 to 7.100
14.000 to 14.250
14.250 to 14.350 No broadcasters
21.000 to 21.450
24.890 to 24.990
28.000 to 29.700

RUSSIAN VOCODER RETURNS TO 15 METERS

The Russian vocoder system known as Yakhta has appeared again on the 15 meter band. Its been heard and logged by an IARU Region 1 monitoring station on 21.001.5 kHz. Its running F1B in band key-synchronized at 100 baud s and 150 Hz shift. The F1B has been active daily and at times encrypted voice transmissions have also been heard.

The German Department of Post and Telecommunications has filed another complaint about the system. The first was made back in 2010 when it was active from the same location and on the same frequency.

(IARUMS Region 1 via ARNewsline)

THE QNEWS WORK BENCH - the nuts and volts report -
(Measure twice - Cut once!)

The Software Defined Radio Club

A new website dedicated to Software Defined Radio is due to launch soon.

The website, called The SDR Club, is the brainchild of Adrian 2E0SDR, who says the idea is to create a global community dedicated to the technology of Software Defined Radio. Membership is FREE... (and why wouldn't it be)?

The site is being run as a dedicated Portal with all members being able to add content to the site. Kit suppliers and manufacturers of SDR products are welcome to advertise their products on the site.

Also hosting to any group or project that wishes to work out of the site, in return for content.

The site officially launches on 1st June, but people are free to register and add content before then if they wish too.

(sourced to Southgate)

MEDIA WATCH
www.cq-amateur-radio.com/WorldRadio.html
VK Club Bulletins http://groups.yahoo.com/group/aarnie/

The Egyptian Radio Amateurs Society (ERASD). One of the foremost goals is providing educational programs and materials to promote amateur radio and develop the scientific and technical skills of the Egyptian and Arab youth.

In this context, ERASD is currently issued an online magazine focused on simplifying science and technology to youth in general, and more particularly in areas related to amateur radio and satellite.

The Magazine articles will be mix English and Arabic

'CQ EGYPT' Amateur Radio Magazine.
The May issue is NOW on-line at

http://erasd.net/CQSUAMATEURRADIOMAGAZIN.aspx

COMIC SWAP

ICOM has produced a series of comic books based on Amateur Radio for youngsters. They can be downloaded from the net:

They contain a lot of "plugs" for ICOM equipment, obviously in the stories everyone uses ICOM! and is mostly meant for US audience.

www.icomamerica.com/en/amateur/comic_book/Default.aspx

(salim vu2lid / n8li)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ATV (Every pixel tells a story) - Video
arvideonews.com
hamradiotube.com
youtube.com
qdg.org.au

Dayton Hamvention live internet broadcast.

W5KUB.Com will start the live broadcast NEXT Wednesday, May 18th at approx 1300 UTC, this as they are on the 550 mile drive to Dayton.

Thursday morning May 19th at Hara Arena again 1300 UTC and them might broadcast the Air Force Museum on that afternoon. Then live for the entire Hamvention Friday 20th through 22nd.

Also WIN! Over $5000 to lucky winners on the broadcast.

All you have to do is be logged into the chatroom and claim your prize when your name is called.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP --- MILITARY

A salute to those that serve

Calling all radio amateurs!

May 28, Amateur Radio Military Appreciation will once again honour those that serve in the Armed Forces, Veterans, Military Retired; and 1ST Responders with a rally in Fort Wayne, Indiana as well as live on the air over Amateur Radio.

Please join in this Primarily US event, saluting these brave men and women with messages of thanks and appreciation.

There will be several Amateur Radio Clubs, and other organizations around the USA taking part in this event with rallies and Amateur Radio stations on the air.

May is National Military Appreciation Month

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP --- NAVAL

The Royal Naval Amateur Radio Society will run a Special Event station at the open day in HMS Collingwood on Saturday 4th June.

The callsign to be used is GB6COD, Collingwood Open Day.

The station will be operational on all amateur bands from 1.8MHz to 440MHz.

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ROAR
ROTARIANS OF AMATEUR RADIO
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rotmem@yahoogroups.com
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Peter Lowe, VK3KCD ANZO VP
0600z - 0630z Anzo Net on 7115

Guglielmo Marconi Father of wireless, was an Honorary member of the club from 1933 to 1937 and it continues the tradition and honouring Marconi to this very day.
Now a' days among its honorary members is Marconi's Daughter, Princess Elettra Marconi.

4EB -- VK4EB Ted Gold the founder of the first commercial radio station in Queensland was Vice President of Toowoomba Rotary Club.

SOCIAL SCENE

2011

May 27-29 WIA AGM Weekend in Darwin
secretary@wia.org.au

Jun 10 - 12 VK4 Far North and North Queensland Amateur Radio Gathering at King Reef Resort Kurrimine Beach. CANCELLED (VK4DMC)

Jun 11 - 12 VK2 Oxley Region Amateur Radio Club annual Field Day

Jul 16 VK3 Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club Hamfest
Cranbourne Community Hall 10am (secretary@ggrec.org.au)

Jul 16 VK4 Maryborough Electronics and Radio Group "Wide Bay Hamfest"
West Scout Hall, Ariadne St, Maryborough 8:30am.
secretary@merg.org.au

Jul 31 VK2/3 Riverina Field Day 10am at Lavington Scout Group Hall.

Aug 7 VK2 Lismore region - SARCFEST

Aug 7 VK6 NCRG HAMFEST

Sep 11 VK3 SADARC Comms Day at St Augustine's Hall Shepparton 10am.

Sep 16-18 VK4 NQ Amateur Radio Convention Date Set Townsville

Sep 23-28 R3 Region 3 ARDF Championship Bendigo VK3
http://r3.ardf.org.au/

Sep 30-Oct 2 VK4 Central Highlands Amateur Radio Club AGM at Camp Fairbairn
CONTACT Secretary Gordon, (vk4kal@wia.org.au)

Nov 20 vk5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society Hamfest
Goodwood Community Centre, Rosa St Goodwood at 0930.
Visit www.ahars.com.au for contact details

2012

15TH IARU REGION 3 CONFERENCE hosted by V.A.R.C. in Ho-Chi-Minh City, Vietnam.

JAN 23-FEB 17 YEAR 2012
World Radio Conference WRC-11 Geneva 23rd January TO 17th February 2012

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Date: 2011-05-13 09:00:19 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20110513090004.BF63933C5C@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4560
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1761 - May 13 2011

The following is a closed circuit advisory. With a word concerning Newsline's current finances, here's our Producer Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF.

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It's been almost 6 months since I was here to ask for financial support for Amateur Radio Newsline. Thanks to donations made through late last year we have been able to keep from bothering you for a while. And in all honesty, I prefer not to make these requests unless it's absolutely necessary as it takes time that could be better spent reporting the news.

But now its spring and all the bills from last winter have been mounting up. And, as usual, we are at the time of year when there is really not very much left in the treasury to pay them. Eventually they have got to get paid or these news reports will cease. Unfortunately, that time is now.

So how can you help? Simply take a few moments to send a donation to the Amateur Radio Newsline support fund so that we can keep these newscasts coming your way. Making a contribution is only a mouse click away if you have Pay Pal. Just go to www.arnewsline.org, scroll to the bottom of the page and click on the button marked "Make Donation." Or you can send in a contribution by mail to the Amateur Radio Newsline Support Fund, 28197 Robin Avenue, Saugus California, 91350.

Whichever way you choose, the all volunteer crew at the Amateur Radio Newsline will be eternally grateful and these newscasts will be here for you, week after week.

Once again that's the Amateur Radio Newsline Support Fund, Amateur Radio Newsline Support Fund, 28197 Robin Avenue, Saugus California, 91350. Or by Pay Pal at www.arnewsline.org

For the Support Fund, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF. Jeff.

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Than you Bill. Now, Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1761 with a release date of Friday, May 13, 2011 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. The FCC rolls out its new Personal Localized Alerting Network and says that New York City will have it first; an experimental 4 meter beacon takes to the airwaves here in the United

States, Hamvention opens its doors on Friday May 20th, Bob Heil, K9EID to have his own weekly Internet television show about ham radio and those scary Pythons are on the radio. Its not Monty Python we are talking about but you can find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1761 coming your way right now.

(Billboard Cart Here)

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RESCUE RADIO: FCC SAYS ALERT WILL BE IN OPERATION 6 MONTHS EARLY IN NYC

Smartphone and other GPS enabled mobile device users in the New York City will be the first in the United States to receive emergency alerts on their handsets. This with word that the new FCC inspired Personal Localized Alerting Network or PLAN system will be inaugurated in the Big Apple by the end of the year.

Once in operation, it will deliver geographically targeted text messages to GPS-enabled cellular telephones. The new system will be used for just three types of alerts. These are ones issued by the president, alters of a life-threatening and AMBER Alerts in search of kidnapped or missing children. Participating carriers can opt out of all but the Presidential alerts.

Back in 2006 Congress directed the Federal Communications Commission to set a deadline for implementing a mobile emergency warning system. The FCC established set an April 2012 end date for participating carriers to launch the service. It will be up and running six months prior to that in New York City.

The mobile alert system was created to complement the Emergency Alert System that issues alerts using the long established broadcast TV, radio and cable delivery infrastructure. That system is in the process of being updated to handle a Common Alerting Protocol from notifying agencies.

Already, AT&T, Sprint, T-Mobile and Verizon are on board in New York, where a late-2011 launch was announced on Tuesday, May 10th. (FCC)

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: EXPERIMENTAL US 70 MHZ BEACON ON THE AIR

A new 70 Mhz beacon is on the air from the United States East coast operating under a non-amateur experimental license and signing the call WE9XUP. Its operating frequency is 70.005 MHz with its location atop Apple Orchard Mountain in Bedford, Virginia at some 4200 feet above sea level. That's Grid Square FMO7fm for those of you who chase grid squares.

WE9XUP is currently scheduled to run 24 hours a day until September 1st transmitting in Morse. Its primary purpose is that of propagation

study including trans-Atlantic E-skip. Reception reports go to Brian Justin via e-mail at WA1ZMS (at) arrl (dot) net.

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WORLDBEAT: WORLD RADIO DAY FEATURED ON GERMAN TV

World Amateur Radio Day took place on April 18th and was featured on German regional news reports by broadcasters WDR, NDR and HR. All three covered the day in news packages where viewers saw 3 minute reports about radio amateurs in the cities of Bonn, Flensburg, Kassel and about one in a mountain hut near Wetzlar. As a result of the TV coverage over half a million people throughout Germany got a rather positive insight into the hobby. The theme for World Amateur Radio Day this year was "Amateur Radio: The first technology-based social network."

(Southgate)

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WORLDBEAT: UK DIGITAL RADIO BROADCASTING TO BE DELAYED

The London Daily Mail newspaper reports that the United Kingdom has abandoned the 2015 target date to phase out analog F-M radio broadcasting in favor of all digital transmissions. The newspaper cites a leaked government memo that reportedly suggests that a 2017 start is more likely, and that loss of analog services probably would have to be phased in by region over several more years.

According to the newspaper, the new digital radio technology has failed to grip the public's imagination as the shift to digital TV did. It notes that there is opposition from FM loyalists who cannot see the point of moving the major stations off the analog service. It also estimates that 130 million analog radios would be made instantly obsolete by the locked in 2015 changeover date.

But there appear to be other reasons as well. The UK uses DAB digital radio technology that requires different spectrum than analog FM. Regulators also want stations using the DAB technology share digital transmission facilities. But says the leaked memo, the UK radio industry probably can't afford the transmitter infrastructure costs associated with a digital switchover before 2017. Part of the problem seems to be the need to build out local digital radio to match the coverage area of the analog FM stations. (RW, Daily Mail)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the N7ZEF Simplex Net serving Sinclair, Wyoming.

(5 sec pause here)

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THE SOCIAL SCENE: THE DAYTON HAMVENTION SET TO OPEN MAY 20

The Dayton Hamvention is set to open on Friday, May 20th and this year the planers have added something new. Use of social media to build excitement for the event. Josh Long, KD8BVB, is this years Assistant General Chairman who recently spoke to Hap Holly, KC9RP, of the Rain Report:

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KD8BVB: "We are advertising of coarse in all of the amateur radio magazines but this year we also started out into social media. You can find Hamvention now on Facebook, Twitter and YouTube where we are literally engaging thousands of attendees and volunteers on there. Wr have give-aways and we solicit volunteers."

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The 2011 Dayton Hamvention runs the weekend of May 20th to the 22nd at the HARA Arena in suburban Dayton, Ohio. Amateur Radio Newsline will be hosting the annual Ham Radio Town Meeting on Saturday the 21st from 11:45 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Meeting Room 2. Our topic this year is titled How to Make a Ham Radio Video in the 21st Century.

We will have some top names in movie making to show you how to use video to let the world know more about our service and hobby. If you have your own home made ham radio video, please bring it along on DVD and we will be happy to show it and then to critique it for you as time allows.

Again, that's the Ham Radio Town Meeting on Saturday the 21st from 11:45 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Hara Arena Meeting Room 2. We hope to see you there. (ARNewsline(tm), Audio courtesy of The RainReport)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC ISSUES OFFICIAL CITATION FOR ALLEGED SALE OF CELLPHONE AND GPS BLOCKERS

The FCC has issued an Official Citation to Internet retailer GadgetTown.com. This for allegedly marketing in the United States unauthorized radio frequency cell phone signal blockers and GPS signal jammers in violation of section 302(b) of the Communications Act, and section 2.803 of the Commission's rules. Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP, has more:

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Cellular telephone and GPS jamming devices are illegal in the USA. And according to the Citation, its this law that lead its Enforcement Bureau initiated an investigation of GadgetTown and its marketing of several unauthorized radio frequency devices in the United States.

These are identified as the Cigarette Case Cell Phone Signal Blocker, the Portable Cell Phone Signal Blocker, the 60 M Range Mountable Cell Phone Signal Blocker and the Portable Anti-Tracker GPS Signal Jammer Blocker.

The staff of the Bureau's Spectrum Enforcement Division observed that GadgetTown offered for sale the four signal jamming devices over company's web site. On July 23, 2010, the Division issued a letter of inquiry to GadgetTown regarding those products.

The company responded to the letter on August 31, 2010 at which time it stated that it marketed the aforementioned signal jamming devices between July 1, 2010 and July 22, 2010, selling a total of 15 signal jamming devices to U.S. consumers during that period.8 In addition, GadgetTown identified the supplier and quantity of each device sold and explained that it did not manufacture any of the devices, but shipped the products directly from Shenzhen, China. Finally, GadgetTown stated that it was not aware of regulations prohibiting the import and sale of the signal jamming devices, and that since receiving notification from the Commission, it has taken steps to ensure that there will be no further prohibited items imported into the United States.

But that was not good enough for the FCC. In the citation, the regulatory agency ordered that GadgetTown should take immediate steps to avoid any recurrence of this type of incident. It noted that jamming devices such as these pose significant risks to public safety and other radio communications services. It also warned GadgetTown that if after receipt of the Citation, the company violates the Communications Act or the agency's Rules by engaging in future sales of these devices that the Commission may impose monetary forfeitures.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP, in Scottsdale, Arizona.

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GadgetTown was given thirty calendar days after the May 4th release date of the Citation to file a response. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC AFFIRMS $10000 FINE TO OKLAHOMA LPFM

A $10,000 fine issued to the Enid Public Radio Association, licensee of a low-power FM radio station in Enid, Oklahoma, has progressed to a Forfeiture Order.

The penalty, originally issued in July 2010, was for airing commercials rather than underwriting announcements and for operating at an antenna height greater than authorized. KEIF-LP was fined $5,000 for selling advertisements and $5,000 for broadcasting from an antenna that was almost double the legal height.

The commission announced the affirmation of the Forfeiture Order in late April. This after noting that nobody representing KEIF had not disputed the findings nor tried to get the fine reduced or cancelled. Therefore there was no basis on which to change the proposed penalty and the FCC must impose the total fine of $10,000.

The station was given the customary 30 days from the confirmation of the Forfeiture Order to pay or to file an appeal. Another broadcaster, Chisholm Trail Broadcasting Co., had complained to the commission about the violations. (FCC)

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RADIO LAW: PROPOSED REVISIONS TO CALIFORNIA ANTI-CELLPHONE WHILE DRIVING LAW COULD COST VIOLATORS BIG BUCKS

If you get caught talking or texting on a cellular telephone phone behind the wheel in California, some lawmakers say it should cost you even more money along with a penalty attached to your driving record. And they have introduced legislation to make it happen. Amateur Radio Newsline's Jim Davis, W2JKD, reports:

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A proposed hike in the penalties imposed on driving while using anything other than a hands-free device could end up totaling hundreds of dollars for drivers caught violating the states ceellphone and texting while driving ban.

If the bill becomes law, the current $20 cell phone ticket will increase to $50. But when you add in court costs and other administrative fees, a violation may ultimately total up to $300 or more. A second offense would push this fine up to $500 or more.

But that's not all. In addition to the fine the proposal would also add on one point penalty to a drivers file with the Department of Motor Vehicles each time a conviction occurrs. This in turn could lead to significantly higher insurance rates since many if not all automotive insurers quote prices based on a persons driving record.

Also targeted by the revised law would be those who ride bicycles or other non-motorized vehicles. The new law would penalize them with the same fines for pedaling and talking or texting on their phones while in motion.

It should be noted that the current California hands-free rule has no provision to exclude radio amateurs, C-B operators or others who use two way radios in their vehicles, but to date that aspect of the rule has not been widely enforced.

Im Jim Davis, W2JKD.

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If enacted as proposed it would become one of the nations toughest anti-cellphone while driving law. (Published news reports)

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HAM MILESTONES: SOTA PASSES MILLIONTH QSO

Some big news for hams who like to operate portable off of tall rocks called mountains. Here's Jeramy Boot, G4NJH with the details:

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Summits on the Air recently passed a significant milestone with its millionth QSO being made over the recent holiday period.

SOTA started in 2002 and has now grown into a worldwide award scheme with 55 associations across the world and around 44,000 qualifying summits.

I'm Jeramy Boot and you are tuned to the Amateur Radio Newsline.

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For more information on the scheme, check out the internet at www.sota.org.uk. (GB2RS)

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RADIO CHANGES: W8BBA FALLS SILENT AFTER 50 YEARS SERVICE TO VETERANS

Amateur station W8BAA located at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Brecksville Ohio fell silent on April 29th after at least 50 years of service to veterans.

The Brecksville VA hospital operations are being moved to the main Cleveland VA hospital and he Brecksville radio club equipment is being transferred to the radio room at that facility. The club call at the main hospital is WA8VA. (W8KBF)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: HAM NATION WITH K9EID PREMIERES MAY 24

Amateur Radio's Mr. Audio, Bob Heil, K9EID, will be hosting a new weekly HD video webcast about our hobby titled Ham Nation. According to Bob, each weeks Ham Nation will feature interesting guests as they discuss the many fascinating aspects of the hobby.

The shows premiere on May 24th will have famed rock guitarist Joe Walsh, WB6ACU, and broadcast facility designer Dave Jennings, WJ6W, as Bob's special guests. Jennings is one of the hosts of the Amplitude Modulation International net that meets every Wednesday on 3870 kHz.

Ham Nation will air Tuesday evenings at 9 p.m. Eastern, 8 p.m. Central and 6 p.m. Pacific time on Leo Laporte's TWIT TV Internet network. To tune in, please take your web browser to live.twit.tv and join the fun. (K9EID)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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WORLDBEAT: RADIO NETHERLANDS UPGRADES MADAGASCAR RELAY STATION

One of the worlds best known shortwave broadcasters is upgrading its relay site in Madagascar. Felix Scerri, VK4FUQ, of the WIA News is there with the details:

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Radio Netherlands Worldwide management has confirmed the purchase of three 500 kW short-wave transmitters from the recently-closed short-wave site at Horby in Sweden. The transmitters are currently being dismantled for shipment to RNW's station in Madagascar.

Recently, RNW management announced that it intended to speed up the process of replacing short-wave with other distribution platforms, including the closure of its relay stations in Bonaire and Madagascar. The Bonaire facility is scheduled for closure at the end of October 2012, but no closure date has yet been decided for Madagascar.

However, late last year RNW decided it was time to replace the nearly 40-year-old Philips transmitters at Madagascar. Rather than invest in new transmitters, the opportunity was taken to purchase the three ABB transmitters from the Swedish station at H"rby which was closed at the end of last year. These were installed in 1993.

For the WIA News, I'm Felix, VK4FUQ.

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No date has been announced as to when the new transmitters will take to the air from the Radio Netherlands Madagascar relay site. (WIA News)

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ON THE AIR: GB6COD TO CELEBRATE COLLINGWOOD OPEN DAY

On the air, the United Kingdom's Royal Naval Amateur Radio Society will run a special event station on the H.M.S. Collingwood on Saturday June 4th. The callsign to be used is GB6COD which stands for Collingwood Open Day. The station will be operational on all amateur bands from 1.8MHz through 440 MHz. The Society headquarters station will also be open for viewing from 9.30am to 6pm the same day. The open day will also feature the Royal Navy Field Gun Competition. (GB2RS)

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ON THE AIR: COMMEMORATING THE TURKISH WAR OF INDEPENDENCE

Two special event stations will be active in May to commemorate the start of the Turkish War of Independence and the 130th anniversary of the birth of Mustafa Kemal Atat&#65533;rk. Between May 16th and May 22nd listen out for TC130ATA. On the 18th, 19th and 20th TC1919ATA is the call to look for. QSL each as directed on the air. (Southgate)

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HAM CELEBRATIONS: 50 YEARS OF IOTA

2014 marks the 50th anniversary of the launch of the Islands On The Air Program by British SWL Geoff Watts. As a build-up to celebrations on this occasion, the RSGB Islands On The Air Manager and Committee have announced an exciting activity period in which all licensed amateurs world-wide are invited to participate.

For a two-year period during 2012 and 2013, Islands On The Air chasers are encouraged to contact as many different IOTA groups as possible. Also, for hams so inclined to play their part by operating from as many groups as possible, with special emphasis on the less-frequently activated ones.

The complete rules of the Islands On The Air 50th Anniversary Marathon will appear in the forthcoming RSGB IOTA Directory to be released at the Dayton Hamvention. They can also be on-line at www.g3kma.dsl.pipex.com (G3KMA)

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In DX, the he Jan Mayen DXpedition led by SQ8X scheduled for July 6th to the 14th has announced that their callsigbn while on the island will be their group's callsign will be JX5O instead of JX7VPA as first announced. The DXpedition will focus on 30 through 6 meters operating CW, RTTY, PSK, with some SSB if conditions permit. Accompanying the operators will be a television production crew is coming to produce a broadcast documentary about the ham radio project and the island. Updated details and QSL route are available janmayen2011 dot org

Members of the Algarve Star DX Team will be active as CR55PQ from the inside of Portuguese Airborne Troops School between May 21st and the 23rd. This, to celebrate 55 years of operation at this military school. Operations will be on 80 through 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL to CT1EHX, either via the bureau or direct.

The Radio Club de los Andes reports that its station LU8YE will be on the air on May 20th to the 22nd from Meliquina Lake which is located at 45 Kilometers from the city of San Martin de los Andes. Operation will be on 80 through 10 meters using SSB and CW. QSL's for in country contacts go to LU8YE. DX contacts are via EA7FTR

W5FJG reports that he has been assigned to work on Midway Island as the Chief Communications Officer. He was scheduled to arrive last week with an Icom IC-7000 but no antenna or power supply. He says he is working to get this modest station on the air stroke KH4 and hopes to be on the air no later then June 1st. His assignment is open ended, and he will be on Midway for at least one year. Operation should be from 6 through 40 meters on SSB, CW, RTTY and other digital modes. He says that he will provide a QSL route and operating times at a later date.

Lastly, N5OMG says that the K5N Activation Group will be leaving from Venice on Thursday morning, June 2nd, heading for Grid Square EL58. This, to activate 6 meters in an all out effort to make this rare grid available to as many operators as they can make contact with. They are hoping to be on the air by noon local time operating all modes up the band a bit on 50.210 Mhz. First up will be a Meteor Scatter attempt followed by all other modes. This operation is slated to last four days. No QSL information is available as we go to air.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: SNAKES ON THE RADIO

And finally this week, the story of a research program that's putting snakes on the radio. Well, kind of. Here's Graham Kemp, VK4BB, of the WIA News with the slithering details:

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Snakes have a face only a mother could love, but that hasn't stopped PhD student Melissa Bruton, from the University of Queensland's School of Geography, Planning and Environmental Management from getting up close and personal.

Melissa was recently awarded a grant by the Wildlife Preservation Society of Queensland to support her research into reptiles in the southern Brigalow Belt region of Queensland and New South Wales.

Melissa has a particular interest in the elusive Woma Python. To do this, she be implanting radio-transmitters into the body cavity of several larger pythons and radio-tracking them for one year each.

After finishing just one summer of trapping Ms Bruton already has eight Woma Pythons to study.

The tracked womas are quite mobile but early indications are that they return to preferred burrow sites. Each Woma will be tracked every second day for a minimum of 12 months so we will know a lot more about these elusive pythons in 12 months' time.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Graham Kemp, VK4BB, of the WIA News reporting from Brisbane Australia.

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Many have seen the movie Snakes on a Plane but snakes on the radio makes a lot more sense. At least in his particular case. (WIA News)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB, the Southgate News and Australia's WIA News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is Newsline(at)arnewsline(dot)org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California, 91350

And a reminder that the nominating period for the year 2011 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award is now open. Created by Newsline back in 1986, this award is offered to recognize one young United States or Canadian radio amateur age 18 or younger for his or her contributions to society through Amateur Radio.

As in years past, the 2011 recipient will receive an expense paid trip to the Huntsville Hamfest in Huntsville Alabama courtesy of Vertex-Standard Corporation which produces Yaesu brand amateur radio gear. Vertex-Standard will also present this years winner with a special ham radio related gift. CQ Magazine will again treat the recipient to a week at Spacecamp-Huntsville. We at Amateur Radio Newsline will present the winner with a plaque honoring his or her achievements.

All nominations and materials required by the official rules must be received by ARNewsline before June 30, 2011. A downloadable nominating form is at our website at www.arnewsline.org. A nominating form can also be obtained by sending a request along with a self addressed stamped envelope to the Young Ham of the Year Award in care of Amateur Radio Newsline, Inc. 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California 91350.

Again, the cutoff date for these years Young Ham of the Year Award nominations is June 30th. We ask you to do your part by nominating a young ham who has done something special related to ham radio. The nomination form is at www.arnewsline.org.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, Jeff Clark, K8JAC, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-13 15:49:20 UTC
From: Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk
Message-ID: <20110513150003.D8B8533C5C@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4561
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 15th May 2011

The news headlines:

* New Amateur Radio Observation Service appointment

* SDR club launched

* New US 4m band beacon

At the last Board meeting, Brian Reay, G8OSN was appointed to lead the Amateur Radio Observation Service. The Board would like to thank his predecessor Tony Selmes, G4KLF, who has retired from the post after many years managing the service. AROS is an advisory and reporting service of the RSGB that is intended to assist radio amateurs and others who may be affected by problems that occur within the amateur bands or that develop on other frequencies as a result of amateur transmissions. The service investigates reports of licence infringements, or instances of poor operating practice that might bring the amateur service into disrepute. Reports, complaints and associated supplementary information are accepted from any source and the content of each communication is regarded as confidential material. Brian has e-mailed all Observers for whom he has a current e-mail address. If you are an Observer and have not received an e- mail from Brian regarding his appointment, please e-mail him on aros@rsgb.org.uk. Those interested in becoming an Observer should contact Brian on using this e-mail address.

A new online Software Defined Radio Club has been launched by Adrian, 2E0SDR and can be found at www.softwaredefinedradio.co.uk. The idea is to create a global community dedicated to the technology of software defined radio and membership is free. The site is being run as a dedicated portal with all members being able to add content to the site.

70MHz is not an amateur band in the USA, but European stations may try to listen for a new 4 metre band Radio Science E-skip Trans-Atlantic propagation beacon from the East Coast of the US. Its operating frequency is 70.005MHz. WE9XUP is located at FM07fm and transmits CW. Any amateur or SWL reports are welcome via e-mail to WA1ZMS@ARRL.NET. The beacon is scheduled to run 24 hours a day until 1 September.

Bletchley Park Trust has opened a new exhibition commemorating the 70th anniversary of the capture of an Enigma machine and codebooks from

German U-boat 110 that took place 70 years ago. The exhibition contains photographs of the capture and it is the first time all known photos have been exhibited together at the same time. The exhibition tells the full story including many of the details that appeared in the best selling book on the capture of the Enigma code. For visitor information, contact 01908 640404, or go to www.bletchleypark.org.uk.

Illegal church broadcasts have been heard on 28.265MHz in Germany and amateurs are requested to listen on this frequency in order to identify the location. Please send any reports to Ger McNamara, EI4GXB, IARU Monitoring System Co-ordinator by e-mail to ei4gxb@gmail.com. AMSAT-UK is now active on Twitter. AMSAT-UK is a voluntary organisation that supports the design and building of equipment for amateur radio satellites. You can find AMSAT-UK on Twitter as @AMSAT_UK.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

Today, Sunday 15 May, sees the National Vintage Communications Fair taking place at the Warwickshire Exhibition Centre, The Fosse, Fosse Way, Leamington Spa CV31 1XN. Doors open at 10am and there is free car parking on site. Entry is £6 and there will be plenty of trade stands and special interest groups as well as catering services. Details by e-mail from info@nvcf.org.uk.

The 1st Leicester RS Grand Clearance and Bring & Buy will be held on 22 May at the Leicester Radio Society HQ, Groby Road, Leicester. There is approximately £2000 of donated radio equipment for disposal as well as a Bring & Buy. Doors open 10am to 4pm. Details of equipment available and further details from Alex on 0753 120 1640.

Also on 22 May, the Dunstable Downs Radio Club National Amateur Radio Car Boot Sale will be held at Stockwood Park, Luton LU1 5NR. Talk in will be on S22 and there is plenty of car parking. Doors open at 9am and entry is £2.

Sunday 22 May sees the Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club Rally and Boot Sale take place at Drumgor Youth Centre, Drumgor Heights, Craigavon, BT65 4AP. Doors open at 11am and there is plenty of car prking on site. There will be a Bring & Buy.

John, 2E0XER and Jem, 2E0JEM are holding a Vintage Military Amateur Radio Society event on Saturday 21 May in a field at the village of Libbery, about eight miles East of Worcester on the A422 Stratford Road. Visitors are welcome to join them. Any experimental equipment is welcomed and all those old antennas that have been in the loft or shed for the last 30 years will have an opportunity of getting the dust blown off them! Visitors should make their own food provision, although there is expected to be a military field kitchen on site for the weekend. The event coincides with the Saturday morning VMARS AM net with the opportunity to operate and make contacts. For further information please contact Jem on 07711 162322 or e-mail info@wraa.co.uk.

Now for the news of special events

In commemoration of the 617 Squadron Dambusters raid, on Monday 16 May, the Lincoln Short Wave Club will be operating on the 80m band as near to 3.617MHz as conditions allow. The transmissions will commence at precisely 2139; this is the time the first wave of nine Lancaster bombers took off. Transmissions will cease at 0139, the time the Mohne Dam was breached. There will be a limited edition QSL card sent to all contacts.

May 2011 will be the month for chasing castles and stately homes on air. The weekend of the 21st and 22nd will be the international castles weekend from 1am on the 21st to 11pm on the 22nd. For UK stations, information can be found at www.cashota.co.uk as well as links to regional activity. The website now allows interested amateurs to complete activation forms online. The Royal Naval Amateur Radio Society will run a special event station at the open day of HMS Collingwood on Saturday 4 June. The callsign to be used is GB6COD, Collingwood Open Day. The station will be operational on all amateur bands from 1.8MHz to 440MHz. The Society headquarters station will be open for viewing from 9.30am to 6pm on the day. A number of demonstrations will be taking place using amateur radio and amateur television. The open day will feature the Royal Navy Field Gun Competition. Additional attractions will include a display from the Royal Marines Band, Collingwood, a free fun fair and much more. Advanced tickets will be available from Gosport and Fareham Tourist Information Offices and Portsmouth News Offices from May 2011.

And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

Glasgow and Clyde RAYNET Group will be active on the Island of Jura, which is IOTA reference EU008, from 26 May to 2 June. The group is providing Emergency Safety comms for the Annual Fell Race on Saturday 28 May but will also be activating the island on all HF bands using GS0RAY/P throughout the week. Reports are most welcome. For further details please contact Paul Lucas on 07768 271736 or e-mail mm3ddq@yahoo.co.uk.

Over the weekend 20 to 22 May, Kev, M0TNX will activate Hilbre Island, IOTA reference EU120. Wirral Council has given Kev the opportunity to stay overnight on this uninhabited Island. The callsign for this event will be GB2HI and operation will be on SSB but CW is available on request. The bands in use will be 40, 20 and 17m only and a commemorative QSL card will be available. Charles, M0OXO, has kindly offered to be QSL manager and the QSL cards are being undertaken by Gennady at UX5UO print.

Macquarie Island is one of the rarer DXCC entities and in recent times there has been some activity from Kevin, VK0KEV. The good news now is that Kevin will be joined by Denis, ZL4DB who will be active from there as VK0/ ZL4DB until late July. Denis is new to DXing and will only be able to operate during his spare time.

Phil, F4EGS will be active as TT8PK from Chad until 15 June. He will be on the air in his spare time. QSL via F4EGS either direct or via the bureau.

Joe, W5FJG is now on Midway Island, which is IOTA reference OC-030. He is working on the island as the Chief Communications Officer for at least a year. He plans to be active as KH4/W5FJG, starting the last week in May. Activity will be on 10 to 40m bands using CW, SSB and digital modes.

A few Italian amateurs will be operating from Lampedusa in the Pelagie Islands using the callsign IG9E from 18 to 23 May. QSL via IZ2GMT either direct or via the bureau.

Now the contest news

The Worked All Britain LF Phone contest takes place today, Sunday 15 May, from 1000 to 1400UTC. The exchange is signal report, serial number and WAB square. Full details of the rules and logsheets may be obtained from the WAB website at www.worked-all-britain.co.uk or from the Contest Manager, G3XKT by e- mail to aebbooks@ntlworld.com. On 17 May the 1.3GHz UK Activity Contest will take place from 1900 to 2130UTC. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The CW leg of the 80m Club Championships will take place from 1900 to 2030UTC on 19 may. The exchange is signal report and serial number.

The May 144MHz Activity Contest takes place on 21 and 22 May from 1400 to 1400UTC. The timing coincides with first three hours of the four-hour First 144MHz Backpackers Contest, which is the contest where the low power enthusiasts head for the hills. The exchange for both events is signal report, serial number and locator, with the UK Activity Contest also exchanging postcode information.

And now the solar factual data for the period from the 2nd to the 8th of May, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on the 9th of May

Several sunspot groups were visible every day. In fact, there as only been one spotless day so far this year and that was on the 27th of January. Solar activity started at low levels when a C1 class solar flare took place on the 2nd and the 3rd. Activity declined to very low levels for the remained of the period. Solar flux levels declined from 110 units on the 2nd to 102 by the 6th. The average was 105 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 8th was 110, that's two units up on last week. X-ray flux levels showed little variation and averaged B2 units. Geomagnetic activity started at active levels due to a recurring coronal hole that lasted longer than forecast. The most disturbed day was the 2nd with an Ap index of 20 units. The average was Ap 8 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds decline from 730 kilometres per second to 280 by the 8th. Particle densities were very low throughout. Densities were no more than 3 particles per cubic centimetre. Bz varied between minus 6 and plus 4 nanoTeslas on some days but with smaller variations on the quieter days.

And now the solar forecast. This week the slightly more active side of the Sun is expected to be looking our way. Solar activity is expected to be low for most of the week but there is a slight chance that activity could increase to moderate levels if any M class solar flares take place. Solar flux levels should be between 110 and 120 units. Geomagnetic activity should be quiet everyday but could be unsettled today and tomorrow due to a coronal hole. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 23MHz for the south and 20MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be about 12MHz. Paths this week to South America should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 28MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 22MHz. Even though the band will be open earlier and later than the times quoted these though are the best time to try this path and will be between 1400 and 2000 hours. Sporadic-E should take place on some days with openings including 50MHz also.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your

transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS On Sunday 15 May Lincoln Short-Wave Club is operating GB2CWF at Ellis Mill for Mills on the Air. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

On Sunday 15 May Midland Amateur Radio Society is attending the National Vintage Communications Fair. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 01214 229 787.

On Monday 16 May Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is holding a mini DF hunt with a difference. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548478, daytime.

On Monday 16 May Lincoln Short-Wave Club is putting G5FZ on the air to commemorate Guy Gibson and 617 Squadron RAF taking off from RAF Scampton. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

On Monday 16 May South Birmingham Radio Society is on the air and planning for Field Day. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Monday 16 May South Normanton Alfreton & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a junk sale. Details from A Lawrence, 2E0BQS, by email to adylawri@btinternet.com.

On Monday 16 May Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society is visiting the Kettering club. For more information contact Peter D Rivers, G4XEX, on 01858 432105.

On Tuesday 17 May Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is having a video show. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 17 May Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is having a 2m DF hunt. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Wednesday 18 May Hinckley Amateur Radio Society is having mini talks by member. Details from John, M0JAV, on 07836 731544.

On Wednesday 18 May Lincoln Short-Wave Club is having a formal meeting and barbecue. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

On Wednesday 18 May Midland Amateur Radio Society is holding training classes and having a planning meeting for its 80th year celebrations in June. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 01214 229 787. On Wednesday 18 May South Kesteven Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on back garden aerials. Contact Nigel, M0CVO, on 01476 402550.

On Wednesday 18 May Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a surplus equipment sale, with G8UGL officiating. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday 19 May Cheltenham Amateur Radio Association is having a talk on outside broadcasting. Contact Derek Thom, G3NKS, on 01242 241099.

On Thursday 19 May Salop Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. Details on the club website at www.salop-ars.org.uk.

On Thursday 19 May South Birmingham Radio Society is having training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Friday 20 May Bromsgrove & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a committee meeting. Contact Chris, M0BQE on 01905 776 869.

On Friday 20 May Coventry Amateur Radio Society is holding a wine & cheese evening. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777363.

On Friday 20 May Hucknall Rolls Royce Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on satellite working and moonbounce by Roger Sale. More information from Dave Wilde, G1YAI, on 0844 4355593.

On Friday 20 May Nunsfield House Amateur Radio Group invites members to bring their cameras. Details from Ken Frankcom, G3OCA, on 01332 720976.

On Friday 20 May South Birmingham Radio Society is having a construction evening. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Saturday 21 May Lincoln Short-Wave Club is commences its weekend event taking part in the 144MHz Post Codes Contest at the portable site. On Saturday only they will also be trying WAB in the shack. For

more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND On Sunday 15 May Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is taking part in Castles on the Air day. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 16 May Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club Come is having a wireless version of Gardeners Question Time, inviting members and non-members to ask knotty questions of their gnarled experts. All are welcome. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 0191 477 0036.

On Monday 16 May Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is running its annual Home Construction Competition. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 16 May Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on test meters by Phil Rigby, G8LMF. Details on the web at www.tcars.org.uk. On Tuesday 17 May Chester & District Amateur Radio Society is holding its annual dinner. Details from Barbara Green on 07957 870770.

On Tuesday 17 May Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is conducting a Foundation exam plus erecting an HF aerial and getting on the air. Contact Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341317.

On Wednesday 18 May Denby Dale Radio Club is having a visit by RSGB Region 4 Manager Harold Scrivens, G0UGE. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220126.

On Wednesday 18 May Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is having a quiz night against Scarborough Amateur Radio Society. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240573.

On Thursday 19 May Grimsby Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. Contact Cliff, G4YHP, on 01472 328 830.

On Thursday 19 May Grimsby Amateur Radio Society is taking part in the RSGB 80m Club Contest, CW. Contact Cliff, G4YHP, on 01472 328 830.

On Thursday 19 May Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the RSGB 80m Club Contest, CW. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240573.

On Thursday 19 May Keighley Amateur Radio Society is having a club night. Details from Shirley, M6SAK, on 01535 652781.

On Thursday 19 May South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having a 2m DF report by Peter, G0BHP and Bill, G4SVR. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 0161 969 3999.

On Thursday 19 May Wakefield & District Radio Society is on the air and holding a committee meeting. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563117.

On Friday 20 May East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is on the air. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Saturday 21 May Wakefield & District Radio Society continues its Foundation, Intermediate and Advanced courses. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563117.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND No news items have been received for Northern Ireland this week.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday 17 May Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club evening. Details from Norman, on 07740 946192.

On Wednesday 18 May Ayr Amateur Radio Group is having a video night. Details from Tom Ferguson, GM1OST, on 01292 532 088. On Wednesday 18 May Glenrothes & District Radio Club is having familiarisation with SD, a general hands- on using three laptops. Details from Dave Francis, on 01383 823878.

On Wednesday 18 May West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society has Solder Group homebrew projects & licence training. More information from Fred Coombes, 2M0BIN, on 01415 715512.

On Thursday 19 May Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is on the air and working on construction. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663.

On Friday 20 May West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society is having presentations, guest speakers, a quiz and a raffle. More information from Fred Coombes, 2M0BIN, on 01415 715512.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA On Sunday 15 May Bedford and District Amateur Radio Club participating in the Mills on the air as GX3WTP/p from Bromham Mill, map reference TL010508, from 1pm until 4.30. Details from Bob Leask, G3XNG.

On Sunday 15 May Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is operating a special event station at Lacey Green Windmill Open Day. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Monday 16 May Braintree & District Amateur Radio Society is holding its AGM. For more information contact John, M5AJB, on 01787 460 947.

On Monday 16 May Burnham Beeches Radio Club is having a talk on colour by G1LIG. Contact Dave, G4XDU, on 01628 625 720.

On Monday 16 May Felixtowe & District Amateur Radio Society is planning for East Sussex Wireless Revival, the Ipswich Rally. More information from Paul, G4YQC, by email to pjw@btinternet.com.

On Tuesday 17 May Bedford and District Amateur Radio Club is preparing for going portable at Dunstable Downs. Details from Bob Leask, G3XNG.

On Tuesday 17 May Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720815.

On Tuesday 17 May Bromley & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on the work of the Examination Committee. Details from Andy, G4WGZ, on 01689 878089.

On Tuesday 17 May Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is having a club net night. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Tuesday 17 May Verulam Amateur Radio Club is planning its celebrations for its 50th year, inviting members to bring & show home brew plus having a surplus kit swap. Details from Tony, 2EOWAP, on 01727 853087.

On Wednesday 18 May Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by Roger, G3ME on practical aerials, or how to get the best out of your rig. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491. On Wednesday 18 May Havering & District Amateur Radio Club is having part 2 of the talk on Rx building blocks by Ollie Tillett, G3TPJ. More information from John, M0UKD, on 07890 222111.

On Wednesday 18 May Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society is having a guided tour of the Secret Nuclear Bunker. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 020 8502 1645.

On Wednesday 18 May Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by Ken Cheetham, G4RWD on the Baldock Operations Room find out what they do there! Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898678.

On Wednesday 18 May Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on 50 years of the Bluebell Railway by Chris, G4ZCS. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816684.

On Thursday 19 May Colchester Radio Amateurs has a practical introduction to the 80m Club Championship. More information from Kevan, 2E0WMG, on 07766 543784.

On Thursday 19 May Cray Valley Radio Society is having a normal meeting. Details from Bob, M0MCV, on 020 8265 7735 after 8pm.

On Thursday 19 May Horndean & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the Meon Valley Railway by Dennis Tilman. Contact Stuart, G0FYX, on 023 9247 2846.

On Thursday 19 May King's Lynn Amateur Radio Club is having a club night and 2m club net. Contact Ray, G3RSV, by email to ral-g3rsv@supanet.com.

On Thursday 19 May Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the RSGB CC CW contest. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898678.

On Thursday 19 May Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a 2m mobile DF hunt. Details from David, G8UOD, on 01234 742 757.

On Thursday 19 May Sutton & Cheam Radio Society is holding its AGM. More information from John, G0BWV, on 020 8644 9945.

On Friday 20 May Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a radio night and table top sale. Contact Peter, G4AKG, on 01444 239371.

On Friday 20 May Wey Valley Amateur Radio Group is holding the Hernia Cup inter-club quiz. Details on the web at www.weyvalleyarg.org.uk.

On Sunday 22 May Bedford and District Amateur Radio Club is putting on its mobile operation at the Dunstable Downs Radio Club boot sale. Details from Bob Leask, G3XNG.

On Sunday 22 May Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society is attending the Dunstable Downs boot sale. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 020 8502 1645.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST First, advance notice that from Thursday 2 June the Cornish Amateur Radio Club will be meeting at their new venue, Gweal-An-Top School, School Lane, Redruth, TR15 2ER. Further information from Steven, G7VOH, on. 01209 844939.

On Monday 16 May Appledore & District Amateur Radio Club is having a demo and simulation of a wideband Rx loop by Terry, G4CHD. Contact Brian Jewell, M0BRB, on 01237 473251 for more information.

On Tuesday 17 May Blackmoor Vale Amateur Radio Society is having an HF evening. Contact Tony, G0GFL, on 01258 860741.

On Wednesday 18 May Taunton & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a committee meeting. Contact William, G3WNI, on 01823 666 234 for more information.

On Wednesday 18 May Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is having a video night. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417048.

On Wednesday 18 May Trowbridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night. Details from Ian, G0GRI, on 01225 864 698, evenings and weekends.

On Thursday 19 May South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is training for VHF NFD. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695471.

On Thursday 19 May Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having an activity night and preparing for the 144MHz contest. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317750.

On Thursday 19 May Yeovil Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on SSTV and RTTY by 2E0ZFF. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk.

On Friday 20 May North Bristol Amateur Radio Club is holding a committee meeting. More information from Dick on 01454 218362.

On Friday 20 May Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES On Monday 16 May Dragon Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on humour in communications by Clive Collins, GW3WEQ. More information from Stewart Rolfe, GW0ETF, on 07833 620733.

On Monday 16 May Llanelli Amateur Radio Society is on the air. Contact Craig, MW0MXT, on 01269 840292.

On Tuesday 17 May Wrexham Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on a homebrew exciter, driver and amplifier by Clive Collins, GW3WEQ. More information from Patrick, 2W0HUU, on 07947 701 927.

472. Re: THIS IS MY RADIO DESK

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-14 17:14:31 UTC
From: Jack <jack@nospam.invalid>
Message-ID: <4dceb8fb$0$19597$a8266bb1@newsreader.readnews.com>
Source record: 4562
Cross-posted to: alt.usenet.kooks,alt.suicide.holiday,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack

"mike oxbig" <mike@not-for-mail.invalid> wrote in message
news:201105141355.UTC.iqm1jm$5ba$1@tioat.net...
> Here's a REAL radio operator -
> http://ipunce2.blogspot.com/
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LOL too much RF!

473. SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 15 MAY 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-14 19:00:23 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <20110514190006.5B5BC33C5C@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4563
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 15 MAY 2011

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'ARMI' and follow the links for details. PLEASE NOTE: for audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail. Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 and 3,695 MHz SSB.

In the news today:

158 CANDIDATES TO WRITE RAE THIS WEEK

NEW 40 m BEACON TO TEST NAVIS CONDITIONS

ARRISAT TO BE LAUNCHED LATE JULY

JOIN US AT THE RTA IN PORT ELIZABETH ON SATURDAY 4 JUNE

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting news items.

158 CANDIDATES TO WRITE RAE THIS WEEK

158 Candidates will write the Radio Amateur Examination on Thursday this week at 16 venues across the country. The SARL wishes all candidates the best of luck for the examination and would like to thank all of the clubs that have been involved with the teaching and guiding the candidates.

The examination starts at 19:00 and continues until 22:00. Candidates are urged to arrive at the examination venue before the starting time and present their ID documentation and exam number. The exam number can be found on www.sarl.org.za. Candidates without an ID will not be allowed to write the exam.

The examiner and moderator's advice to candidates is "read the question several times before answering. There is plenty of time to complete all the questions."

NEW 40 m BEACON TO TEST NAVIS CONDITIONS

On 7 May 2011 a new beacon was switched on in Bloemfontein to test NAVIS conditions from the central Freestate. The beacon operates on 7 027 kHz running 50 mW into a dipole antenna 6 metre above the ground.

The purpose of the new beacon is to test propagation conditions from central South Africa. The antenna in use is set up for NVIS conditions. NAVIS is the acronym for Near Vertical Incidence Skywave. It is a radio-wave propagation method that provides usable signals in the range between ground wave and sky wave distances, usually between 50 to 650 km. The radio waves travel upwards into the ionosphere, where they are refracted back down and can be received within a circular region up to 650 km from the transmitter. If the frequency is too high, refraction fails to occur and if it is too low absorption reduces the signal strength. The usable frequencies for NVIS communications are between 1,8 and 15 MHz.

The beacon sends the following message in an endless loop in CW at 5 words per minute: "VVV DE ZS4BOT/B KG30BV." The beacon's position is KG30BV. The beacon and software was designed and built by Jan, ZS4JAN. Reports can be sent to wirelesscomms@vodamail.co.za.

ARRISAT TO BE LAUNCHED LATE JULY

The cosmonauts on the International Space Station reported that they activated the satellite and confirmed that they heard the signal on the amateur radio equipment on board the ISS. Since the battery was nearly depleted of its original charge, they switched the satellite off after six hours of operation in order to prevent over-discharging the battery. The battery was then removed from the satellite and stored separately as per their normal battery handling procedures.

RSC-Energia reported that their plan is to recharge the battery about three weeks prior to the EVA deployment. This will give the cosmonauts time to reinstall the battery and test the satellite to make sure it is working properly. The EVA deployment is planned for late July of this year.

Find out more about ARRISAT and how you can enrich the lives of young people at the SA AMSAT Space Symposium next Saturday 21 May. Get details and the registration form on www.amsatsa.org.za.

JOIN US AT THE RTA IN PORT ELIZABETH ON SATURDAY 4 JUNE

The next SARL Radio Technology in Action Symposium will be held in Port Elizabeth hosted at the Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University in cooperation with PEARS. The cost is R50 for SARL members and R70 for non-members. The fee includes refreshments and a light lunch as well as entry into the lucky draws that take place at various times during the symposium.

You can pre-book online or pay at the door. Visit www.sarl.org.za and select RTA from the left hand menu for pre booking and the full programme.

NOMINATIONS FOR NSN RADIO AMATEUR OF THE YEAR AWARDS CLOSE SOON

You have a few more days to nominate someone for the Nokia Siemens Networks Radio Amateur of the Year Awards. There are three categories:

GARTH MILNE TECHNICAL INNOVATION AWARD

The award is made for the support, development and application of Technological Innovation in Amateur Radio in South Africa. The recipient will be a person who has promoted the use of technology in amateur radio at club level, nationally, at schools or tertiary education institutions.

NSN RADIO AMATEUR OF THE YEAR AWARD

The award is made for the support and development of the Amateur Radio Service in South Africa, not for individual achievements such as DXCC and other operational awards or contests. The recipient will be a person who has given of his or her expertise and time to the promotion of Amateur Radio in South Africa.

NSN AMATEUR RADIO COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

Annually the South African Amateur Radio Development Trust is recognising a radio amateur or a group of radio amateurs for service to the community.

Community service can be assistance to a handicapped radio amateur, communications support during a sporting event or a disaster situation like a road accident or a natural disaster like a flood, veld fires, or an earthquake. Nominations are invited for an individual or a group of people like a radio club, or an association.

Details are available on www.amateurradio.org.za or request a brochure from saardt@intekom.co.za.

DONATION TOWARDS IARU 2011 CONFERENCE IN AUGUST

The Vaal Triangle and the Sasolburg radio clubs have, as a result of various fundraisers, put together R5 000 as donation to be used by the SARL in the coming International Amateur Radio Union Conference for 2011 at Sun City.

They, the organising committee of the 2011 AGM and National Conference in the Vaal, would also like to use this opportunity to once again thank everybody who came to support the event.

NEW 4 m METEOR SCATTER RECORD

At 04:18 UTC on 23 April ZS1AGF and ZS6NK completed a meteor scatter QSO on 70,200 MHz over a distance of 1 527 km improving on the existing record of 1 348 by 179 km.

ZS1AGF used an Icom 746 driving a Spectrum transverter and a 5 element YAGI and ZS6NK used a Yaesu FT847 and 9 element LFA YAGI for the contact. Congratulations to you!

CONTEST NEWS

The ZS4 Sprint will be run on Sunday 22 May from 14:00 to 15:00 UTC. It is a phone and CW contest on the 40 metre band. This is a fun activity to promote contacts between radio amateurs in the Free State and radio amateurs in Southern African countries.

On Wednesday 25 May, the third SARL 80 m Club contest will be run and it is a CW contest. The contest starts at 17:30 UTC and ends at 18:30 UTC.

Read more on page 20 and 53 in the 2011 SARL Contest Manual.

ZS4SRK TAKES FIRST LEG OF 80 METRE QSO PARTY

The three hour contest was held on 7 April with the aim to create an interest in and activity on the 80 m band. It is a phone only contest.

The Sasolburg Amateur Radio Club won the contest with 550 points. Their club station, ZS4SRK, was operated by ZS4MP. Second place was shared by ZS6XT and ZS1WC who both scored 510 points. 57 radio amateurs took part but only 13 submitted logs. The second leg will be held on 6 October 2011.

The preliminary results (Logs that are posted excluded) for the ZS3 Sprint are the following:

1st: ZS3SVD, Sian van Deventer with 115 points 2nd: ZS6APT, Pam Momberg with 60 points 3rd: ZS1SKR manned by ZS2CX with 59 points.

105 stations participated in the sprint on 40 m phone and CW, however only 11 logs and two check logs were received.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is at low levels. There is currently no chance for strong solar flares. Currently sunspots 1 208 and 1 210 are the only real visible sunspots on the earth facing side of the sun. A small sunspot is trying to form towards the southwest portion of the visible solar disk. For the people doing their own frequency predictions the expected effective sunspot number for the week is about 35.

15 m will provide the best opportunities for DX followed by 20 m.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

21 May - SA AMSAT space simposium at SARL NRC at Radiokop 18 to 22 May - Follow Dayton Hamvention via W5KUB.com. 22 May -ZS4 Sprint from 14:00 till 15:00 UTC. 25 May - Closing date for nominations for NSN awards, visit www.amateurradio.org.za. 25 May -3rd SARL 80 m Club contest 17:30 to 18:30 UTC. 18 June - Programming in Windows course in Gauteng. Book at www.sarl.org.za.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 750 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'ARMI' and follow the links. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 18:30 CAT on 3 230 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by Gustav, ZS6BWN.

Thank you for listening, 73.
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To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp

474. THIS IS MY RADIO DESK

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-14 20:11:11 UTC
From: "Rev. 11D Meow!" <Jimmy@Crack.Corn>
Message-ID: <rdots65hg39fe7s1aggtjddspnmls2ipfg@4ax.com>
Source record: 4564
Cross-posted to: alt.usenet.kooks,alt.suicide.holiday,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack

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> > http://ipunce2.blogspot.com/
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emo ain't got nuttin' on this guy!
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475. Re: THIS IS MY RADIO DESK

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-14 20:43:45 UTC
From: % <persent@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <noSdnfyJ5semdVPQnZ2dnUVZ_t6dnZ2d@giganews.com>
Source record: 4565
Cross-posted to: alt.usenet.kooks,alt.suicide.holiday,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack

Rev. 11D Meow! wrote:
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> emo ain't got nuttin' on this guy!

this is my antenna

http://www.streettech.com/archives_Special/hamRadio2.jpg

476. Re: THIS IS MY RADIO DESK

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-14 21:43:29 UTC
From: Jack <jack@nospam.invalid>
Message-ID: <4dcef807$0$19671$a8266bb1@newsreader.readnews.com>
Source record: 4566
Cross-posted to: alt.usenet.kooks,alt.suicide.holiday,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack

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Mud duck.

477. Re: THIS IS MY RADIO DESK

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-14 21:51:24 UTC
From: % <persent@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <j72dnfXBRLGKZVPQnZ2dnUVZ_v-dnZ2d@giganews.com>
Source record: 4567
Cross-posted to: alt.usenet.kooks,alt.suicide.holiday,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack

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> Mud duck.

dx champ

478. Re: THIS IS MY RADIO DESK

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-14 22:26:20 UTC
From: Jack <jack@nospam.invalid>
Message-ID: <4dcf0213$0$19655$a8266bb1@newsreader.readnews.com>
Source record: 4568
Cross-posted to: alt.usenet.kooks,alt.suicide.holiday,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack

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479. Re: THIS IS MY RADIO DESK

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-14 22:33:46 UTC
From: % <persent@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <6KCdnWA9FYyYn1LQnZ2dnUVZ_oidnZ2d@giganews.com>
Source record: 4569
Cross-posted to: alt.usenet.kooks,alt.suicide.holiday,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack

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you should do something about your obsession with , " shouldn't be's "

480. Re: THIS IS MY RADIO DESK

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-14 22:35:41 UTC
From: Jack <jack@nospam.invalid>
Message-ID: <4dcf0443$0$19588$a8266bb1@newsreader.readnews.com>
Source record: 4570
Cross-posted to: alt.usenet.kooks,alt.suicide.holiday,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack

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Should I?

481. Re: THIS IS MY RADIO DESK

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-14 22:38:08 UTC
From: "Rev. 11D Meow!" <Jimmy@Crack.Corn>
Message-ID: <221us658eh9bdvo5e3gvnn1bna4fl7ruog@4ax.com>
Source record: 4572
Cross-posted to: alt.usenet.kooks,alt.suicide.holiday,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack

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GET A ROOM, YOU TWO!

482. Re: THIS IS MY RADIO DESK

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-14 22:44:09 UTC
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Message-ID: <5cSdnbDYZofumVLQnZ2dnUVZ_jCdnZ2d@giganews.com>
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483. Re: THIS IS MY RADIO DESK

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> GET A ROOM, YOU TWO!
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% has too much radio gear, we'll need two rooms.

484. Re: THIS IS MY RADIO DESK

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-14 22:59:14 UTC
From: % <persent@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <8-idndXzLIxgmlLQnZ2dnUVZ_sSdnZ2d@giganews.com>
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485. Re: THIS IS MY RADIO DESK

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-14 23:17:08 UTC
From: % <persent@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <O7WdnVmiMZCykVLQnZ2dnUVZ_hydnZ2d@giganews.com>
Source record: 4575
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>>> Mud duck.
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>> dx champ
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> Shouldn't that be chump? :)

did you ever plow your meat
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486. Re: THIS IS MY RADIO DESK

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-14 23:20:43 UTC
From: Jack <jack@nospam.invalid>
Message-ID: <4dcf0ed2$0$19703$a8266bb1@newsreader.readnews.com>
Source record: 4576
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"%" <persent@gmail.com> wrote in message
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>>>> Mud duck.
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>>> dx champ
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>> Shouldn't that be chump? :)
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>
> did you ever plow your meat
>
>
I'm an international harvester so the answer is yes.

487. Re: THIS IS MY RADIO DESK

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-14 23:24:15 UTC
From: "Rev. 11D Meow!" <Jimmy@Crack.Corn>
Message-ID: <9o3us6tn8od2o0e9e594cop0m3uishjrc6@4ax.com>
Source record: 4577
Cross-posted to: alt.usenet.kooks,alt.suicide.holiday,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack

On Sat, 14 May 2011 15:59:14 -0700, "%" <persent@gmail.com> wrote:

> Rev. 11D Meow! wrote:
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> >> "%" <persent@gmail.com> wrote in message
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> >>>>>>> Mud duck.
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> >>>> Shouldn't that be chump? :)
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> >>> you should do something about your obsession with , " shouldn't
> >>> be's "
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> >> Should I?

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> >
> > GET A ROOM, YOU TWO!
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>
> is that space in your head still available

If your name ain't QYWQO, nope.

488. Re: THIS IS MY RADIO DESK

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-14 23:29:42 UTC
From: Jack <jack@nospam.invalid>
Message-ID: <4dcf10ec$0$19588$a8266bb1@newsreader.readnews.com>
Source record: 4578
Cross-posted to: alt.usenet.kooks,alt.suicide.holiday,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack

"Rev. 11D Meow!" <Jimmy@Crack.Corn> wrote in message
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>> > GET A ROOM, YOU TWO!
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>> is that space in your head still available
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>
> If your name ain't QYWQO, nope.
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>
Is that your radio callsign?

489. Re: THIS IS MY RADIO DESK

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-14 23:36:04 UTC
From: % <persent@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <QqOdnW07rekDjVLQnZ2dnUVZ_rGdnZ2d@giganews.com>
Source record: 4579
Cross-posted to: alt.usenet.kooks,alt.suicide.holiday,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack

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>>>>> be's "
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>>>> Should I?
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>>> GET A ROOM, YOU TWO!
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>>
>> is that space in your head still available
>
>
> If your name ain't QYWQO, nope.

i have no name

490. Re: THIS IS MY RADIO DESK

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-14 23:54:38 UTC
From: % <persent@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <8pSdnWS6WfZkiVLQnZ2dnUVZ_sudnZ2d@giganews.com>
Source record: 4580
Cross-posted to: alt.usenet.kooks,alt.suicide.holiday,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack

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>>>> dx champ
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>>> Shouldn't that be chump? :)
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>>
>> did you ever plow your meat
>>
>>
> I'm an international harvester so the answer is yes.

no you do
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491. THIS IS MY RADIO DESK

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-15 00:33:47 UTC
From: "Rev. 11D Meow!" <Jimmy@Crack.Corn>
Message-ID: <el7us6h6ipu3c1r4k5suhnr66psv4emmaq@4ax.com>
Source record: 4581
Cross-posted to: alt.usenet.kooks,alt.suicide.holiday,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack

On Sat, 14 May 2011 19:29:42 -0400, "Jack" <jack@nospam.invalid>
wrote:

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> "Rev. 11D Meow!" <Jimmy@Crack.Corn> wrote in message
> news:9o3us6tn8od2o0e9e594cop0m3uishjrc6@4ax.com...
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> >> > GET A ROOM, YOU TWO!
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> >>
> >> is that space in your head still available
> >
> >
> > If your name ain't QYWQO, nope.
> >
> >
> Is that your radio callsign?
>

er, uh, like, wake-up sunshine.
if'n that was my 'call sign'
the SHE behind the wheel of QYWQO
would be ME. oh, lord

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uVcdhUptwDY

492. THIS IS MY RADIO DESK

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-15 00:36:54 UTC
From: "Rev. 11D Meow!" <Jimmy@Crack.Corn>
Message-ID: <sr7us6p1hv228fobvdob86s3cs991r86u2@4ax.com>
Source record: 4582
Cross-posted to: alt.usenet.kooks,alt.suicide.holiday,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack

On Sat, 14 May 2011 16:36:04 -0700, "%" <persent@gmail.com> wrote:

> Rev. 11D Meow! wrote:
> > On Sat, 14 May 2011 15:59:14 -0700, "%" <persent@gmail.com> wrote:
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> >> is that space in your head still available
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> > If your name ain't QYWQO, nope.
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> i have no name

i sense the scent of pure pussy

the one on your mind,
that rests easy
knowing
your
palm

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uVcdhUptwDY

calm

PS. Did I Mention I Witnessed A Guy Get Murdered By The Police On May
4th this year?

493. Re: THIS IS MY RADIO DESK

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-15 00:45:29 UTC
From: Jack <jack@nospam.invalid>
Message-ID: <4dcf22b0$0$19674$a8266bb1@newsreader.readnews.com>
Source record: 4584
Cross-posted to: alt.usenet.kooks,alt.suicide.holiday,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack

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>> >> > GET A ROOM, YOU TWO!
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>> >> is that space in your head still available
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>> > If your name ain't QYWQO, nope.
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>> Is that your radio callsign?
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> er, uh, like, wake-up sunshine.
> if'n that was my 'call sign'
> the SHE behind the wheel of QYWQO
> would be ME. oh, lord
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> http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uVcdhUptwDY
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>
10-4 good buddy.

494. Re: THIS IS MY RADIO DESK

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-15 00:46:34 UTC
From: % <persent@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <49Cdnex9h8i7vFLQnZ2dnUVZ_gidnZ2d@giganews.com>
Source record: 4583
Cross-posted to: alt.usenet.kooks,alt.suicide.holiday,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack

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>>>> is that space in your head still available
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>>> If your name ain't QYWQO, nope.
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>> i have no name
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> i sense the scent of pure pussy
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> the one on your mind,
> that rests easy
> knowing
> your
> palm
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> http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uVcdhUptwDY
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> calm
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> PS. Did I Mention I Witnessed A Guy Get Murdered By The Police On May
> 4th this year?

did you yay

495. Re: THIS IS MY RADIO DESK

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-15 00:55:13 UTC
From: % <persent@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <nNGdnXPlwIixvlLQnZ2dnUVZ_qOdnZ2d@giganews.com>
Source record: 4585
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Jack wrote:
> "Rev. 11D Meow!" <Jimmy@Crack.Corn> wrote in message
> news:el7us6h6ipu3c1r4k5suhnr66psv4emmaq@4ax.com...
>> On Sat, 14 May 2011 19:29:42 -0400, "Jack" <jack@nospam.invalid>
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>>>> If your name ain't QYWQO, nope.
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>>> Is that your radio callsign?
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>> er, uh, like, wake-up sunshine.
>> if'n that was my 'call sign'
>> the SHE behind the wheel of QYWQO
>> would be ME. oh, lord
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>> http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uVcdhUptwDY
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> 10-4 good buddy.

out over roger

496. Re: THIS IS MY RADIO DESK

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-15 00:56:08 UTC
From: Jack <jack@nospam.invalid>
Message-ID: <4dcf2530$0$19656$a8266bb1@newsreader.readnews.com>
Source record: 4586
Cross-posted to: alt.usenet.kooks,alt.suicide.holiday,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack

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"%" <persent@gmail.com> wrote in message
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>> "Rev. 11D Meow!" <Jimmy@Crack.Corn> wrote in message
>> news:el7us6h6ipu3c1r4k5suhnr66psv4emmaq@4ax.com...
>>> On Sat, 14 May 2011 19:29:42 -0400, "Jack" <jack@nospam.invalid>
>>> wrote:
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>>> http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uVcdhUptwDY
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>> 10-4 good buddy.
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> out over roger
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>
My callsign is BR-549.

497. Re: THIS IS MY RADIO DESK

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-15 01:03:09 UTC
From: % <persent@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <ocWdnWH17aKXuFLQnZ2dnUVZ_rqdnZ2d@giganews.com>
Source record: 4587
Cross-posted to: alt.usenet.kooks,alt.suicide.holiday,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack

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>>>>>>>>>>>> 10-4 good buddy.
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>>>>>>>>>>>> out over roger
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>>>>>>>>>>>> My callsign is BR-549.

mine is pinapple I 8 1 2

498. Re: THIS IS MY RADIO DESK

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-15 01:12:53 UTC
From: Jack <jack@nospam.invalid>
Message-ID: <4dcf291c$0$19599$a8266bb1@newsreader.readnews.com>
Source record: 4588
Cross-posted to: alt.usenet.kooks,alt.suicide.holiday,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack

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>>>> 10-4 good buddy.
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>>> out over roger
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>> My callsign is BR-549.
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> mine is pinapple I 8 1 2
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Roger dodger.

499. Re: THIS IS MY RADIO DESK

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-15 01:20:47 UTC
From: % <persent@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <K9CdnVFxqIG3tFLQnZ2dnUVZ_r2dnZ2d@giganews.com>
Source record: 4589
Cross-posted to: alt.usenet.kooks,alt.suicide.holiday,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack

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>>> My callsign is BR-549.
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>> mine is pinapple I 8 1 2

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> Roger dodger.

did you get it pineapple eye eight one too

500. Re: THIS IS MY RADIO DESK

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-15 01:27:49 UTC
From: Jack <jack@nospam.invalid>
Message-ID: <4dcf2c9c$0$19710$a8266bb1@newsreader.readnews.com>
Source record: 4590
Cross-posted to: alt.usenet.kooks,alt.suicide.holiday,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack

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No, please explain.

501. Re: THIS IS MY RADIO DESK

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-15 01:31:18 UTC
From: Jack <jack@nospam.invalid>
Message-ID: <4dcf2d6e$0$19710$a8266bb1@newsreader.readnews.com>
Source record: 4591
Cross-posted to: alt.usenet.kooks,alt.suicide.holiday,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack

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>> If your name ain't QYWQO, nope.
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> i have no name
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I've been through the desert on a horse with no name, there was a fly with a
buzz.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5otZg3Rui_M

502. THIS IS MY RADIO DESK

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-15 02:40:10 UTC
From: "Rev. 11D Meow!" <Jimmy@Crack.Corn>
Message-ID: <o7fus6d48m080dvs1lsk0o6hro66fmtbkt@4ax.com>
Source record: 4592
Cross-posted to: alt.usenet.kooks,alt.suicide.holiday,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack

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> > er, uh, like, wake-up sunshine.
> > if'n that was my 'call sign'
> > the SHE behind the wheel of QYWQO
> > would be ME. oh, lord
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> > http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uVcdhUptwDY
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> >
> 10-4 good buddy.
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http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gdvbKuzXpIA

503. THIS IS MY RADIO DESK

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-15 02:43:13 UTC
From: "Rev. 11D Meow!" <Jimmy@Crack.Corn>
Message-ID: <o9fus6h8vei6p4a821qusjg3i2qofuug0g@4ax.com>
Source record: 4593
Cross-posted to: alt.usenet.kooks,alt.suicide.holiday,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack

On Sat, 14 May 2011 21:12:53 -0400, "Jack" <jack@nospam.invalid>
wrote:

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> "%" <persent@gmail.com> wrote in message
> news:ocWdnWH17aKXuFLQnZ2dnUVZ_rqdnZ2d@giganews.com...
> > Jack wrote:
> >> "%" <persent@gmail.com> wrote in message
> >> news:nNGdnXPlwIixvlLQnZ2dnUVZ_qOdnZ2d@giganews.com...
> >>> Jack wrote:
> >>>> "Rev. 11D Meow!" <Jimmy@Crack.Corn> wrote in message
> >>>> news:el7us6h6ipu3c1r4k5suhnr66psv4emmaq@4ax.com...
> >>>>> On Sat, 14 May 2011 19:29:42 -0400, "Jack" <jack@nospam.invalid>
> >>>>> wrote:
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> >>>>>> "Rev. 11D Meow!" <Jimmy@Crack.Corn> wrote in message
> >>>>>> news:9o3us6tn8od2o0e9e594cop0m3uishjrc6@4ax.com...
> >>>>>>> On Sat, 14 May 2011 15:59:14 -0700, "%" <persent@gmail.com>
> >>>>>>> wrote:
> >>>>>>>> Rev. 11D Meow! wrote:
> >>>>>>>>> On Sat, 14 May 2011 18:35:41 -0400, "Jack"
> >>>>>>>>> <jack@nospam.invalid> wrote:
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> >>>>>>>>>> "%" <persent@gmail.com> wrote in message
> >>>>>>>>>> news:6KCdnWA9FYyYn1LQnZ2dnUVZ_oidnZ2d@giganews.com...
> >>>>>>>>>>> Jack wrote:
> >>>>>>>>>>>> "%" <persent@gmail.com> wrote in message
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> >>>>>>>>>>>>>>> Rev. 11D Meow! wrote:
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> >>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>> emo ain't got nuttin' on this guy!
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> >>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>> this is my antenna

> >>>>>>>>>>>>>>> http://www.streettech.com/archives_Special/hamRadio2.jpg
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> >>>>>>>>>>>>>>> Mud duck.
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> >>>>>>>>>>>>>> dx champ
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> >>>>>>>>>>>>> Shouldn't that be chump? :)
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> >>>>>>>>>>> GET A ROOM, YOU TWO!
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> >>>>>>>>> is that space in your head still available
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> >>>>>>>> If your name ain't QYWQO, nope.
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> >>>>>>> Is that your radio callsign?
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> >>>>>> http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uVcdhUptwDY
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> >>>> 10-4 good buddy.
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> >>> out over roger
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> >>
> >> My callsign is BR-549.

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> > mine is pinapple I 8 1 2
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> >
> Roger dodger.
>
http://www.imdb.com/title/tt0106341

504. THIS IS MY RADIO DESK

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-15 02:44:31 UTC
From: "Rev. 11D Meow!" <Jimmy@Crack.Corn>
Message-ID: <hffus6l1udoi8059ifcpjfbkemh4tvsjjo@4ax.com>
Source record: 4594
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On Sat, 14 May 2011 17:46:34 -0700, "%" <persent@gmail.com> wrote:

> Rev. 11D Meow! wrote:
> > On Sat, 14 May 2011 16:36:04 -0700, "%" <persent@gmail.com> wrote:
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> >>>> is that space in your head still available
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> >>> If your name ain't QYWQO, nope.
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> >> i have no name
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> >
> > i sense the scent of pure pussy
> >
> > the one on your mind,
> > that rests easy
> > knowing
> > your
> > palm
> >
> > http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uVcdhUptwDY
> >
> > calm
> >
> >
> > PS. Did I Mention I Witnessed A Guy Get Murdered By The Police On May
> > 4th this year?
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>
> did you yay
getting damn close, no

505. Oft-Times Skin Feels Real Nice Under A misty rain of salty tears

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-15 02:46:29 UTC
From: "Rev. 11D Meow!" <Jimmy@Crack.Corn>
Message-ID: <7hfus6hk3leq6ua7oa96a3si3mvs0deisq@4ax.com>
Source record: 4595
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On Sat, 14 May 2011 21:31:18 -0400, "Jack" <jack@nospam.invalid>
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> >>> is that space in your head still available
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> >>
> >> If your name ain't QYWQO, nope.
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> >
> > i have no name
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> >
> I've been through the desert on a horse with no name, there was a fly with a
> buzz.
>
> http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5ozzzzzzzzzztZg3Rui_M
>
step aside, walking-dead soldier

506. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-15 19:46:55 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <472033.99716.qm@smtp111.sbc.mail.mud.yahoo.com>
Source record: 4596
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

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** SPECIAL NOTE FROM EDITOR (By KB8NW): There will not be an OPDX Bulletin next week. I will be attending the Dayton HamVention. "IF" I receive a major announcement, I may send something out late Sunday or Monday. However, PLEASE continue to send your DX information. You never know what I might do.... 73 de Tedd KB8NW
P.S. Hope to see you at the HamVention Dayton at the NODXA Hospitality Suite at the Crown Plaza (See below)! I will also be at the ARRL Area on Sunday at the League's Legislation Booth.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 8th-May, through Sunday, 15th-May there were 222 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5U, 5V, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J7, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ7, PY, PY0T, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TN, TR, TT, TU, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VP2E, VP2V, VP6, VP8, VP8/o, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW,

XX9, YA, YB, YI, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZD9, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3V, TUNISIA. SWL Ashraf "Ash", 3V4-002 (KF5EYY), will be active as 3V8SS from the "Radio Club Station of Tunisian Scouts" in Sousse, during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via LoTW. Read about Ashraf on the following Web page at: http://www.qsl.net/3v4-002

4W6, TIMOR-LESTE. Steve, 9M6DXX, sent out the following press release #3 on May 11th, for the upcoming September 16-26th, -- 2011 4W6A DXpedition:
"Everything is on schedule for the 4W6A DXpedition. All the team members have now booked and paid for their air tickets from the UK, Malaysia and Australia to Dili, East Timor. A boat has been chartered to take the team and their equipment from Dili to Atauro Island, the site of the DXpedition, and back again. The accommodation on the island has been booked and the team members are now also booking their overnight transit stops in Bali, Darwin and Dili.
The DXpedition will be operating from generators which will be hired and picked up in Dili the day before the start of the operation. The generators have been booked and arrangements have been put in place for sufficient fuel to be transported to the island for our use whenever necessary.
It is hoped to be able to use an Internet connection on the island and, if this proves to be reliable, logs will be uploaded to 'Club Log' <http://www.clublog.org> and 'Logbook of The World' on a daily basis.
The team is very grateful to the LA DX Group, CDXC (Chiltern DX Club) - The UK DX Foundation, the Oceania Amateur Radio DX Group, and the Northern Ohio DX Association, who are the first four DX associations to have offered sponsorship to the 4W6A DXpedition. Thanks too go to Tony Burt, VK3TZ, of Rippletech Electronics <http://www.rippletech.com.au>, who is kindly loaning three monoband vertical antennas for use on the DXpedition. We are also very grateful to a growing number of individuals who have also made donations towards the cost of shipping equipment to East Timor, the boat charter, the hire of the generators and the cost of fuel. All sponsors are listed, with thanks, on the 4W6A website at: http://www.4w6a.com/sponsors.html
If you or your DX club also wish to help, there is a 'Donations' page on the 4W6A website. Payments may be made by credit or debit card and you do not need to have a PayPal account yourself in order to make a donation.
4W6A will be QRV from Atauro Island (IOTA OC-232), Timor-Leste (East Timor), from 16 to 26 September 2011. Activity will be on all bands 10 to 160 metres, using CW, SSB and RTTY. The QSL manager is M0URX, direct (SAE plus 1 IRC / 2 USDs), via the Bureau, or LoTW. The entire log will be uploaded to LoTW as soon as possible after the end of the operation or, if possible, even during the DXpedition. QSLs may also be requested

using the QSL request form on the website."

5H, TANZANIA. Dave, W0FBI, will be active as 5H2DCL for the next two months. He is there as a medical doctor. Activity will be mostly on 20 meters CW, usually after 1300z. QSL via W0WOI.

8R, GUYANA. Alex, W1CDC, is now active as 8R1A from Guyana until May 24th. Activity will be holiday style on 80-10 meters using CW and SSB. He was heard this past weekend very active on 17 meters CW/SSB. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

B7, CHINA (Update). A Chinese team of operators, along with some operators from Hong Kong, will activate B7P from Foshan City (WW. Grid OL63NA), nearby Guangzhou City, during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 28-29th) as a Multi-? entry. Operators mentioned are Terry/BA7NQ (leader), JinQuan/ BA7JC, Chow/BA7JK, Yang/BD7IXG, Paul/BA7JS and Wong/VR2KW. All QSLs will be sent via Bureau. For direct cards, please QSL via their manager BD7IXG.

C2, NAURU (Update/Callsign/Ops Needed/Web page). The Pacific-DXer's Web page is reporting that plans are progressing for the upcoming C21AA DXpedition to take place between November 13th and December 5th. Operations will be led by Bill, VK4FW, with liaison support by Eddie VK4AN. Operators mentioned at this time are Eddie/VK4AN, Bill/VK4FW, Art/NJ7N, Julian/ W5SL and Tim/NL8F. They expect to have at least 3 stations active on all bands 160-6 meters using CW/SSB/RTTY/PSK31. They will also participate in the CQWW DX CW Contest as a M/M or M/2 entry. A dedicated station will be set up on 6 meters running in the beacon mode. QSL Managers are the Pacific DXers, or by the Bureau via VK4FW. More operators are needed. If interested, contact VK4AN or VK4FW for more information. For more details and updates, watch the C21AA Web page at: http://pacific-dxers.com/C21AA.html

CR3, MADEIRA ISLAND (AF-014). Operators Ivan/OE1DIA, Jozef/OM3GI, Tibor/ OM3RM and Julius/OM7JG will be active as CR3A during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 28-29th) as a Multi-Single entry. Listen for the QSL route. The callsign CR3A belongs to the CT3 Madeira Contest Team, and usually QSL is via LoTW or CQ9K.

DAYTON HAMVENTION DX HOSPITALITY SUITE. The Northern Ohio DX Association (along with Janeen Hire, W8ZET) will once again sponsor a Hospitality Suite at this year's Dayton Hamvention. It will be in Suite 1011 on the 10th Club Floor of the Crowne Plaza Hotel on Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings (Look for signs!). All DXers/Contesters are welcome. Munchies and refreshments will be available. Come and meet the members and friends of NODXA.

FP, ST. PIERRE & MIQUELON. Eric, KV1J, will once again be operating from the Island of Miquelon ((NA-032, DIFO FP-002 WLOTA 1417, Grid GN17) as FP/KV1J between October 24th and November 1st. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31 (but primarily SSB and RTTY). He will generally be on the highest frequency band that is open, and he

may try 6 meters if there is an indications of openings. He has no permission for 60m. Also, look for him on the AO-51 satellite (and other FM birds), weather permitting and if in the 2M/70cm mode. Eric will also be in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via KV1J, direct or by the Bureau and also LoTW. For more details and update, check out his Web page at:
http://www.kv1j.com/fp/october11.html

IOTA DXPEDITION (Update). The MS0INT Team (Col/MM0NDX [team leader], Christian/EA3NT, Ramon/EA3OR, Raul/EA5KA, Stan/EI6DX, Vincent/F4BKV and Simon/IZ7ATN] will activate IOTAs EU-010, EU-059 and EU-111 in about four weeks. The proposed timetable of their planned activities have now been announced. They will attempt to follow this schedule as closely as possible, but since the weather and seas dictate this expedition, their plans may change suddenly. During transmissions they will regularly update their operating locations should they differ from their intentions. The tentative schedule is as follows:
June 14th - Look for MM/F4BKV and MM0NDX/p from South Uist (afternoon) and Berneray (evening) -- both EU-010.
June 15th - Look for MM/F4BKV and MM0NDX/p from Benbecula; awaiting full team to arrive (morning) EU-010.
June 15th - The group will split into three teams of two to activate Grimsay, North Uist and Baleshare, EU-010 simultaneously on CW and SSB during the afternoon.
Team 1: MM/F4BKV and MM/EI6DX activate Grimsay
Team 2: MM/EA5KA and MM/EA3OR activate North Uist
Team 3: MM/EA3NT and MM0NDX/p activate Baleshare
June 15th - MM/IZ7ATN and others on air from Berneray during the evening.
June 16th - Depart Grimsay for Monach Isles, EU-111. Spend approx. 24 hours on Monachs. Callsign: MS0INT/p
June 17-20th - St Kilda Archipelago, EU-059 activity until latest 0800z on June 20th. Callsign: MS0INT. Three HF stations CW/SSB + 50Mhz (50MHz Trophy Contest included).

All QSL requests for MS0INT and MS0INT/p go via M0URX. All QSL requests for MM/<homecall> are via RX3RC. ADDEDE NOTE: Vincent, F4BKV, plans to be active from Shetland (EU-012), Orkney (EU-009) and Great Cumbrae (EU-123) between June 11-13th, prior to joining the MS0INT team. For updates and more details, watch: http://ms0int.com

IOTA NEWS.....
EU-001. (Update) Members of the "DX Plus" Hellenic Amateur Radio Team will be active as SX5F from Farmakonisi Island (GIOTA DKS 057, MIA MGD-009) and Lighthouse (WLOTA: L-3147, ARLHS: DOD-054) between May 14-22nd. Operators mentioned are Sotirios/SV1HER, George/SV1RP, Vasilis/SV1DPJ, John/SV1GE and Giannis/SV1GYG. Activity will be on all HF bands using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via the RAAG Bureau. For more details, frequencies, and online log info, see Web site at: http://www.qrz.com/db/SX5F

EU-043. Operators Sten/SM6MIS, Rick/SM6U, Bengt/SM6UQL, Tomas/SM6XMY, Pierre/SB6A and possibly others will be active as 7S6W from Vinga Island (WLOTA 1517) between May 19-22nd. Activity will begin during the afternoon of May 19th, through their departure at 1200z on Sunday, May 22nd. They plan to have 4 stations, each with 1 kW amplifiers, using CW, SSB and some RTTY. They will also try to be active in the Baltic Contest on Saturday night. For information and updates, visit: http://sm6.se/gbgdx

EU-051. Members of the Radioamatori Siciliani nel Mondo (RAMS) will be active using the special callsign IE9Z from Ustica Island (I.I.A. PA 001), in front of the coast of Palermo (Sicily Island), between May 20-23rd. Operators mentioned are Maurizio/ IT9TQH (mainly CW operator), Antonio/IT9YMM, Carmelo/IT9TXF, Fabio/IT9AHI, Vincenzo/IT9ZIV, Sergio/IW9FSG and Roberto/IT9DVZ. Activity will be on all HF bands using CW, SSB and RTTY, including the 30/17/12 meter bands with one TX for each band. Also, activity on 6 and 2 meters. QSL via the Bureau or direct to IT9TFX (w/2 USDs). For more details, see QRZ.com.

EU-067. Cliff, SV1JG, R.A.A.G Vice-President, will be active as SX8V during the CQWW WPX CW Contest from the Island of Milos. Also, look for activity before and after the contest. He will be signing SV8/SV1JG. QSL via SV1JG, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-120. After activating Lindisfarne (Holy)Island (also EU-120) this past weekend, operators Kev/M0TNX and Paul/G0WRE will activate a rarer island this coming weekend (May 20-22nd). Look for them to again be in the EU-120 IOTA Group, but from Hilbre Island which has not been activated for 10 years. The callsign for Hilbre will be GB2HI (Hilbre Island). Activity will be 40/30/20/ 17/15 meters, conditions allowing, and maybe 6 and 2 meters. Modes will be mainly on CW and SSB, with some on the Digital mode. This is a unique opprtunity, as Kev and Paul have been granted a special access/permission from Wirral Council, as they wish to publicize the beauty and nature surrounding Hilbre Island. For Lighthouse chasers, this activation will be valid for the WLOTA award. Again, the superb QSL services are by Charles, M0OXO, direct or by the Bureau or by his OQRS service at: http://m0oxo.com

EU-171. Mic, DG5LAC, will once again be active as OZ/DG5LAC from Vendsyssel-Thy (DIA NJ-001, WW Loc. JO47GA) between now and May 19th. Activity will be holiday style on 80-10 meters using SSB only, and his FT-450AT, an Ameritron AL-811H amp and a DX-Wire Windom 42m antenna. QSL via his home callsign, the Bureau is preferred. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW and eQSL.

NA-066. Operators Rick/K6VVA and Garry/NI6T will be active as K6VVA/6 from Santa Catalina Island, California, between 2100z, May 24th and 0500z, May 26th. Activity will be on 40-15 meters, mostly CW with some SSB. QSL ONLY via N6AWD. PLEASE NOTE: There

will be two stations on the air May 25th (Eagle and Shark
stations). For more details about the special plans for the
ASIA/JA (EAGLE/SHARK) stations, see the Web page at:
http://www.k6vva.com/iota/na066
For questions about the operation, E-mail at: na66x@k6vva.com

NA-091. Operators Rick/K6VVA and Oliver/W6NV will be active as K6VVA/VE7
from Quadra Island, Canada, between 0500z, June 2nd and 0000z,
June 5th. Activity will be on 40-15 meters, mostly CW with
some SSB. QSL ONLY via N6AWD. Rick states, "Excellent location
over salt water to EUROPE!!!" For more details and update,
see: http://www.k6vva.com/iota/na091
For questions about the operation, E-mail at: na91x@k6vva.com

NA-232. (New IOTA!) Look for Yuri, N3QQ, and other Russian Robinson
Club members to be active as KL7RRC from St. Matthew Island,
Alaska, between July 29th and August 5th. They are currently
awaiting final permission by USFWS. For more details and
updates, visit: http://www.na-234.com

OC-119. (Update) Operators Dindo/DV1UD, Ed/4F1OZ, Gil/4F2KWT and
possibly one more operator, will activate the rare Jolo IOTA
group sometime later this month. Dates are to be confirmed
and will be announced later. Operators are hoping to use the
callsign DX8DX or DX8J, or possibly DU8/homecalls. More
details are forthcoming.

OC-142. Operators Paul/VK4FPDW, Derek/VK4MIA, Mike/VK4QS and possibly
one more operator will be active as VK4WIP from the Sandy Cape
Lighthouse (AU0043) on Fraser Island during the International
Lighthouse-Lightship Weekend (August 20-21st). QSL via VK4WIP,
direct (see QRZ.com), by the Bureau or eQSL.

J7, DOMINICA. Members of the Florida Contest Group (FCG) will be active
as J7A, J79WI, J71W and J79FCG from Sea Cliff Cottages between May 21-31st.
Operators mentioned are George/K5KG, Dan/K1TO, Jim/WI9WI and Chris/NX4N.
Activity will be on 80-6 meters, no 60m and 160m (no antenna is planned).
The FCG team will be in the CQ WPX CW Contest as J7A. Outside of the
contest, operators will use the J79FCG (suffix - Florida Contest Group)
callsign primarily (and perhaps exclusively), but some operators do have
their own callsign. QSLs for J79FCG go only to K1TO with a SASE. Non SASE
direct cards will be answered by the Bureau. Bureau cards will be answered.
The log will be uploaded to both LoTW and eQSL. QSL J7A and J71W via NX4N.
QSL J79WI via WI9WI.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (May 16-22nd)....
May 16 HN-AN SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS
May 17 AN --------------------
May 18 AN BN - Below Normal
May 19 AN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
May 20 AN LN - Low Normal
May 21 AN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED

May 22 AN DIS - Disturbed
VDIS - Very Disturbed

*** SPECIAL NOTES FROM EDITOR: So, you do not have a HF radio handy, and
you need to set your clock or want the WWV numbers? Well, try these
phone numbers:
303-499-7111 -- Time Tick audio as you usually hear over WWV
broadcasts. It may sound dead during the tick-
tick duration, so wait.
303-497-3235 -- Solar Data report (continuously repeats) what
you usually hear over WWV about every hour.

GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

MJ0, JERSEY. Mat, MJ0ASP (aka-F5SHQ), will be active during the CQWW WPX
CW Contest (May 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via MJ0ASP
or LoTW.

OG0, ALAND ISLAND. Timo, OH6EI, will be active as OG0Z during the
CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-
Power entry. QSL via W0MM.

OJ0, MARKET REEF. Pasi, OH3WS/OG3A, will be active as OJ0W from Market
Reef between May 14-21st. Activity will be limited to his spare time on
the HF bands using CW and SSB. Also, dates will depend on WX conditions.
QSL via home callsign OH3WS.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated May 15th)

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9A8AMS via IZ4AMS F/ON4EME/P via ON4EME PI4ETL via PA1CPA
4S7VK via DJ9ZB GX6LD via M0RBG R1945HS via RW6HS
(direct)
9A/IK4RQJ via IK4RQJ H77REX via TI4SU RG3K via UA3QDX
4L0CR via DL8KAC HI3/AL7JR via AL7JR RP66NMZ via UD6A
9A/IK3AES via IK3AES HI3/KL7JR via KL7JR (direct) SO1RE via DK8RE
4Z13AR via 4Z5NS HR5/F2JD via F6AJA SP5KCR via SQ5WWK
5B/US7IDX via RN3QO I5/I0SBA/P via I0SBA SV9/OZ7YY via
OZ7YY
4JS0RGE via 4K4K (direct) IQ4FA via IZ4UEZ SY7R via SZ7SER
AO3EU via EA-Bureau IR0LG via IZ0NNI T6JC via S57J
BQ100 via BM2JCC JW7XM via JW7XM TA4/DL2RPS via
DL2RPS
DL/KL1A via RW3AH (direct OE-Address) TC3DEU via TA3X
EA5/DL5EO via DL5EO KH2RU/KP4 via NP3O TI3/W7RI via AI4U

EA5/G3XGS via G3XGS LT0H via EA7FTR TJ3IC via F5LGE
EA8/G8BCG via G8BCG LV5V via LU5VV TM20KJJ via F6KJJ
ED8ZAA via EA8RCK OK/DL6UNF/P via DL6UNF VR2UEU via JH9RUI
EG9RCE via EA9CE OT7G via ON5MA YO/HA5TAA via
9A3JB
EI66P via EI4JY PA6DEZWAAN via PA7ZEE Z23MS via UA3DX
EM0BSCC via UU0JM PA6GST via PA9RD ZF2AT via DH2AK
ER/K1WE via K1WE PD6MILL via PD7BZ ZF2TH via DL1THM

9Q50ON LOTW UPDATE. The 9Q50ON crew reports that 31966 QSOs have been uploaded to LoTW. They state, "These are indeed more QSOs than originally made. This is because the QSOs made by Patrick back in July are also uploaded in LoTW + some callsign corrections that were made. From these 31966 Q's more than 40% have been confirmed. This indicates that more and more good DXers are using LoTW! Still +100 envelops are received every month. The next wave will be the conformation of the bureau QSLs."

QSL STATUS OF CE9/VE3LYC AND CE9/PA3EXX. Luciano, PT7WA, reports that QSL cards have arrived from the printer. Unfortunately, Cezar is on a business trip which will lead to an additional delay in the mailing out the direct QSLs. The operators state, "While we are very grateful to all the IOTA chasers for their understanding, we apologize for this delay."

LOGS AVAILABLE. The T6JC log are now available online at:
http://www.clublog.org/logsearch.php

SILENT KEY. Oscar, YV5ANF, informs OPDX of the sad news that Mrs. Maria del Pilar Lia&#65533;ez, wife and mother of QSL Managers Francisco/EA7FTR and David/EB7DX, passed away last Saturday nighte in Huelva, Spain. She was in hospital after a long illness. OPDX and its readers send out our deepest sympathy to the family and friends.

VP8ORK QSL STATUS. Don, N1DG, informs OPDX that the VP8ORK QSL cards arrived a few days ago and the labels are now being printed. Expect to see the VP8ORK QSL card in your mailbox by end of the month for those who submitted via the OQRS. Also, Don has mentioned that he will be bringing QSL cards to the Dayton HamVention for those who did use the OQRS and E-mailed him requesting it.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 3XY6A, 3XY8A, 4A4A, 5X1NH, A65CA, AH0/AB2RF, EA1DLU, EA5GPC, ER3ZZ, F8BBL, FG5DH, G0WRE, HB0YWR, HD2M, HK1X, JH7XGN, JT5DX, L21D, LU9ESD, P40V, PE2MC, PJ4R, PP5XX, S58MU, SM2EKM, T33C, TA3AX, UA2FR, UK8FF, UX1UA, VP8ORK and XE1GRR

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 4S7NE, 5N41NHD, 5N42NHD, 6W1SJ, 7P8KDJ, A92GR, CW5R, E21EJC, EU3AR, FG5FR, G3WPH, H40AA, HS0ZCW, K8LEE/CY0, N0TG/CY0, N1SNB/CY0, PJ2/K2TQC, PJ7DX, PY2XB/1, T30AQ, T30RH, UK8OM, V44KAI, V85/9M6XRO, VK4LDS/P, VK9C/G6AY and VU4PB

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: NONE REPORTED THIS WEEK!

T6, AFGHANISTAN (Cancelled/Update on DXpedition Donation Funds). Paul, N6PSE, Co-Leader of the T6PSE DXpedition, sent out the following press release (#4) on May 12th (edited): Dear T6PSE DXpedition supporters:
Please accept our sincere regrets for having to cancel the DXpedition. This was a very difficult decision for us to make, particularly after we shipped all of our equipment to Afghanistan. We cancelled just hours before our flights to Kabul were to begin.
The tragic death of Jim McLaughlin, WA2EWE, and the fear of reprisals for the killing of Osama Bin Laden made our security situation in Kabul very uncertain.
Due to our significant shipping costs, we do not have all of the donation money available to refund. The DXpedition team members have increased their contributions and at this time we are refunding 90% of all donation money that was received.
If this is not agreeable to you, please let me know. Please accept our gratitude for donating to this DXpedition.
Sincerely,
Paul S. Ewing, N6PSE, Co-Leader T6PSE DXpedition <paul@n6pse.com>
The Intrepid-DX Group, 3052 Wetmore Dr, San Jose, CA 95148 USA

TC130/TC1919, TURKEY (Special Event). On May 19th, the Turkish people will celebrate this date and anniversary of 1919 when Mustafa Kemal Ataturk, the founder of the modern Republic of Turkey, landed in Samsun city which was the starting point of the Turkish Nationalist movement. After the Independence War, this date is now celebrated as the "Youth and Sports Day". This year there will be two special callsigns on the air (on all HF bands and modes) for the special celebration:
TC1919ATA - Ham operators from Samsun will be on the air between May 18-20th. Operators mentioned are Ali/TA6P, Hihat/TA6U, Kadir/TA2IK, Mustafa/TA6RM and Ismail/TA7AO. QSL Managers are TA6P and TA6U.

TC130ATA - Members of the Turkish group called TCSWAT (Special Wireless Activity Team) will be on the air between May 16-22nd, to celebrate the 130th birthday/anniversary of Mustafa Kemal Ataturk. The team will consist of Ali/TA7EB, Huseyin/TA7BC, Ammet/TA3AX, Bekir/TA2RX, Onur/TB2MYE and Tevfik/TA1HZ.
Their activity will be from Canakkale-Istanbul and Giresun.
QSL via TA1HZ.

TJ, CAMEROON. Henri, TJ3AY, has been using the special callsign TJ3IC since May 10th. He will continue to use the callsign until May 30th, to commemorate the 51st anniversary of the independence of Cameroon. A special QSL card is available via F5LGE.

V3, BELIZE. Mike, VE2XB, will be active as V31XB from Caye Caulker Island (NA-073) starting May 19th, for several weeks. Activity will be on all HF bands, except 6m, using CW and SSB. Mike states that he will be looking especially for JA stations to work this IOTA (as well as everyone else). QSL via VE2XB (see QRZ.com). ADDED NOTE: Mike will be heading to J79-land in July for several weeks.

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new
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mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send
mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE
OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=lp>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=bscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
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507. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 15th May 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-15 20:00:13 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20110515200004.0B48033C21@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4597
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 15th May 2011

Echo Ireland

The June edition of Echo Ireland is now being prepared and members are invited to submit news items and articles for inclusion. As we are coming in to the busy season for club activities, we hope to get reports from Club PROs on happenings both past and planned. Pictures as jpegs are particularly welcome. Please keep text and pictures separate. All input to ei4bz at eircom dot net

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Up-Coming IRTS Contests

1. CW Field Day Sat 4th/ Sun 5th June 2011. Log to be submitted by July 5th.

Calling all active VHF and Higher operators we are trying to get the 2010 Squares table finalized on IRTS.ie. So can anyone that was active on the VHF bands last year please send your Square totals or your log and I can work it out for you to EI2GLB /at/ hotmail / dot/.com. To see the squares table go to www.irts.ie and click on vhf/uhf/shf on the right side of the home page.

ComReg Spectrum Strategy

ComReg recently published a consultation paper entitled 'Review of the period 2008-2010 and Proposed Strategy for Managing the Radio Spectrum: 2011-2013'. The document is ComReg Document 11/28 and is available on the Publications section of the ComReg website at www.comreg.ie . The Society will be submitting a response to the document which must be with ComReg before 24 May. Anyone who wishes to have observations included in the Society's response should forward them as soon as possible to Sean EI7CD at ei7cd / at /gofree/dotindigo/dot/ie . While anyone may respond to ComReg public consultations it has been indicated to us by ComReg that a single response relating to the amateur service would be preferable.

CASHOTA Ireland and UK Activity Weekend

There will be a weekend of activity for CASHOTA Uk and CASHOTA Ireland from 1 am Saturday the 28th of May until 11:59 pm Sunday the 29th of May. The event is open to anyone who wishes to activate a Castle or Stately Home. If you wish to activate a Castle or Stately Home please check out the CASHOTA Ireland site http://cashota-ireland.org/ for more details and how to get a number for your Castle. Please contact Steve EI5DD as soon as possible with details and a small paragraph of information about the castle concerned anlong with WAI square and county and this will be promoted on the CASHOTA website. This promises to be a good weekend for portable activity and if you have never tried it before here is a good opportunity. Maybe you could get your Radio Club interested in participation.

New US Four Metre Beacon

70MHz is not an amateur band in the USA, but European stations may try to listen for a new 4-Meter Band propagation beacon from the East Coast of the US. Its operating frequency is 70.005 MHz, QTH is FM07fm, CW emissions.

The callsign of the beacon is WE9XUP.

Any and all QSL/SWL reports are welcome via email to: WA1ZMS<at>ARRL.NET.

The beacon is scheduled to run 24 hours a day until 1 Sept, 2011.

Cork Radio Club

The May meeting of Cork Radio Club will be held in the Community Centre in Carrigtwohill on Monday the 30th and will feature a presentation and live demonstration of D-Star by Don Kelly EI8DJ. The meeting will also review the successful trip to Brow Head for International Marconi Day and will finalise arrangements for the CW Field Day on the following weekend. Visitors are very welcome and further information can be had from Jeremy EI5GM on 083-3317710.

Mills on the air weekend

The Amateur Portable Group will be activating Delaney's Mill in Rathfeigh today (Sunday) for the Mills on the Air weekend, the call sign will be EI0Z Activity will be on HF.

Ben EI4IN

The many friends of Ben, EI4IN will be pleased to hear that he is doing well after his kidney transplant in Beaumont Hospital on Monday last.

We send our good and best wishes to Ben and his family.

DX News

Sam K0YAK is at present based at the US Embassy in Kathmandu, Nepal and is active as 9N7AK during his spare time. It is expected that he will be there till early July. He is using SSB and PSK31 on 20 to 10m and QSLs go via his home call.

Wim OS1T is now on the island of St. Barthelemy using the callsign FJ/OS1T until 22 May. He operates SSB and RTTY on 40 to 10m and will be checking 6m when conditions allow.

Fred PY2XB has been QRV as 8P9XB from Barbados for the past week and is still available till 21 May. He is operating all bands 80-6m on CW, SSB and RTTY.

For the IOTA chasers make a note to look for TM0Z from the French island of Batz between 21 - 26 May. A group of 5 French amateurs will be operational on all bands 160-6m. The IOTA reference is EU-105.

Three Czech Republic operators (OK1AMM, OK1HH and OK2BOB) will be on the Island of Crete from 17 to 28 May and will sign SV9/homecall/P from the main island which is IOTA EU- 015 with a few side trips to offshore islands which will count as IOTA EU-187.

Haru JA1XGI will be active from the Pacific island of Tuvalu from 17 - 24 May. He will sign T2XG on all bands 40 - 10m with emphasis on the WARC bands.

Incursions into the 28mhz Band

Illegal church broadcasts have been heard on 28.265MHz in Germany and members are requested to listen on this frequency in order to identify the location. Please contact Ger McNamara EI4GXB IARUMS Co-ordinator on 087 2532512 or ei4gxb/ at/gmail/dot/com with any reports.

Solar Flux Index drops below 100 again On Tuesday May 10, 2011 the daily solar flux index (SFI) fell below 100 (97.5) for the first time since March 22, 2011. During this month the daily sunspot count has been as high as 90 but the sunspot groups have for the most part been small, weak and magnetically simple. Radiowave propagation continues good on 15 and 12 meters but has become a bit more sporadic on 10 meters. 6 meters is seeing more and more sporadic E (Es) openings as we enter the traditional northern hemisphere warm season pattern. For now the sun has returned to it's quiet state as we experienced in early 2011 on back. Even as solar cycle 24 continues it's rise to a smoothed sunspot number (SSN) maximum of ~95 in December 2013, we will continue to see periods of abnormal sunspot production with groups small, weak and magnetically simple. We acknowledge Thomas F. Giella, NZ4O, as the

source of this sunspot prediction.

New Sample Foundation Exam Paper

An updated sample question paper for the UK Amateur Radio Foundation exam is now available on the RSGB website. www.rsgb.org.

Dambusters Raid Memorial on 80m On Monday 16th May 2011, the Lincoln Short Wave Club will be operating G5FZ on the 80m band as near to 3.617 as conditions allow. The transmissions will commence at precisely 21.39 - the time the first wave of nine Lancaster bombers of RAF 617 Squadron, led by Wing Commander Guy Gibson, took off on the night of 16/17 May 1943, to attack the Mohne, Sorpe and Eder Dams in Germany using Barnes Wallace's famous 'bouncing bomb'. Transmissions will cease at 01.39 - this is the time the Mohne Dam was breached by the fifth Lancaster flown by Flt Lt D J H Maltby, the rest of the bombers went on to attack the Sorpe and Eder dams. This will probably go down in history as the most daring attack ever undertaken by Bomber Command, immortalised by the famous film The Dam Busters. All nineteen aircraft took off in three waves from RAF Scampton, this is less than a mile from our club shack. There will be a limited edition QSL card sent to all contacts.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

508. [DXNL] DXNL 1728 (May 18, 2011)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-16 22:47:44 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <10119294359.20110517000506@dxhf.darc.de>
Source record: 4598
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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J7 - DOMINICA, NA-101
George,K5KG, Dan,K1TO, Jim,WI9WI, and Chris,NX4N, will be active in
CW and SSB on all HF bands and 6m signing J79FCG, J79WI and J71W from
May 21-31. They will sign J7A in the upcoming CQ WPX CW Contest.
QSL routes: J79FCG via K1TO, J7A and J71W via NX4N, J79WI via WI9WI.

JW - SVALBARD, EU-026
Jon,LA8HGA, will be QRV as JW9HGA from the Longyearbyen radio club on
Spitsbergen (EU-026) from May 19-23. Jon works CW only on the HF bands.
QSL via bureau or direct to LA8HGA.

KH4 - MIDWAY, OC-030
Joe, W5FJG (ex-EL2JM,-JY9ZK, ST2JM-,-7Z1AC), is now staying on the
Midway atoll (OC-030). He works as a communications officer for at
least one year. Starting in the last week of May he plans to show up
as KH4/W5FJG. Joe uses an Icom IC-7000 and only simple antennas in the
beginning. Activity is expected in CW, SSB and digital modes on 40m-10m
(maybe 80m). He is looking for someone to donate him a multi-band
vertical antenna and also for a QSL manager. If you can help please
sind him an e-mail to joeyjeepusa@yahoo.com. More info to be announced.

OJ0 - MARKET REEF, EU-053
Pasi,OH3WS, will activate Market Reef (EU-053) as OJ0W in CW/SSB on
the HF bands from May 14-21. QSL via OH3WS, also via bureau.

OY - FAROE ISLANDS, EU-018
Hans,OY/PA0VHA, Steef,OY/PA2A, and Wim,OY/PA2AM, are going to hit the
airwaves from Skaelingur on Streymoy Island (EU-018) between May 22
and Jun 3. They will work in CW and RTTY on all bands (also 6m and 4m)
and OY/PA2AM also via the satellite AO-51. QSLs via their homecalls.

SV9 - CRETE ISLAND, EU-015
Jindrich,SV9/OK1AMM, Franta,SV9/OK1HH, and Bohumil,SV9/OK2BOB, are QRV

from Agia Marina (EU-015) from May 17-28. They will operate in CW/SSB on all bands but mainly on 17m/12m/10m/6m. They also plan a side trip to Gramvousa Island or Gavdos (EU-187). QSLs via their homecalls.

TA - TURKEY
May 19 is an important date for the Turkish people. On May 19, 1919, Mustafa Kemal Ataturk, the founder of the Republic of Turkey, went to the province of Samsun. This day is considered the beginning of the liberation movement of the Turks against the occupation of France, United Kingdom, Italy and Greece. This makes May 19 one of the most important national holidays of Turkey. Each May 19 they are celebrating the end of the War of Independence with a youth and sports festival. In parallel various amateur radio activities are held. Thus, several amateurs from Samsun (TA6P, TA6U, TA2IK, TA6RM, TA7AO) will use the special call TC1919ATA from May 18-20. QSLs via TA6P or TA6U.

The "TCSWAT" team members TA7EB, TA7BC, TA3AX, TA2RX, TB2MYE and TA1HZ celebrate the 130th birthday of Ataturk by activating the special call-sign TC130ATA from May 16-22. QSLs via bureau or direct to TA1HZ.

V3 - BELIZE, NA-073
Starting on May 19 Mike,VE2XB, will stay on Caye Caulker (NA-073) until July. Mike plans to work on all bands (except 6m). QSLs via homecall. After that Mike will travel to Dominica (J79) and wants to stay there for a few weeks as well.

XV - VIETNAM
Paul,WQ2N, wants to become QRV again as 3W2N between May 23 and Jun 8. Paul has a job in Vietnam, so amateur radio will not be his first priority. He wants to travel through several regions and focuses on 40/30/20/17/15m. QSL via WQ2N, preferably direct or LoTW, also bureau.

8R - GUYANA
Alex,W1CDC, wants to work "holiday style" in CW and SSB on 80m-10m signing 8R1A from May 13-24. QSL via bureau or direct to his homecall.

CAMEROON, SPECIAL EVENT STATION
Henry,TJ3AY, is using the special callsign TJ3IC until May 30. "IC" stands for "Independence Cameroon" namely the 51th anniversary of the independence of Cameroon. QSL via bureau or direct to F5LGE.

PORTUGAL, SPECIAL EVENT STATION
Some members of the "Algarve STAR DX Team" will be active as CR55PQ from May 21-23 celebrating the 55 anniversary of the Para-Quedistas military school. This is also the QTH of the station. Miguel,CT1EHX, Toze,CT1GFK and Mike,CT1IUA, will be QRV in CW, SSB and RTTY on 80m-6m. QSL via bureau or direct to CT1EHX. See also: http://algarvedx.com
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CS2HD will be QRV from the international Harley Davidson meeting in Tavira from May 23-29. QSL via CT2FPE.

SILENT KEYS: The wellknown DXpeditioner Frank R. Smith (AH0W) passed away at
the age of 61 on Apr 30. He was a member of several large DXpeditions
like 4J1FM/4J1FW (Malyj Vysotskij 1992), XF4M (Revillagigedo 1994),
AH4/AH0W (Midway 1996), K7K (Kure 1997), K4M (Midway 1997),
XW30/XW30A (Laos 1998), 3B9R (Rodrigues 1999) and many more.
Other DXers who passed away during the last days are:
Earl H. "Sonny" Marsh (KE4LDJ), Earl M. Ringle (N7ER),
Gerard "Jerry" Scarano (W1ZM) and Marwin H. Gonsior (W6FR).

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

May 21/22: King of Spain Contest
May 21/22: Baltic Contest
May 21/22: Aegean RTTY Contest
May 28/29: CQ WPX Contest, CW

IOTA collected by Ric,DL2VFR (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
EU-042, DL, Schleswig Holstein state NW group: DK1DN and DL1ECU will be QRV
from Pellworm (DID N-24) for ten days starting on May 21.

EU-043, SM, Goteborg Och Bohus, Halland county group: A Swedish team will
shop up from Vinga working with four high power stations in CW, SSB
and RTTY on all bands from May 19-22. See also: http://sm6.se/gbgdx
QSL for 7S6W via bureau.

EU-051, I, Ustica Island: A Sicilian group activates Ustica as IE9Z from
May 20-23. They plan to work in CW/SSB/RTTY on all HF bands, 6m and 2m.
QSL via IT9TFX (bureau/direct).

EU-105, F, Bretagne (Finistere north) region group: Five French HAMs will be
active from Batz Island signing TM0Z from May 21-26. QSL via F5EOT.
See: http://www.frag33.org/frag and http://www.cdxg.org/homeuk.html

EU-120, G/M, English coastal islands: M0TNX has the opportunity to activate
the uninhabited island Hilbre with a special permission from May 20-22.
GB2HI will be QRV mainly in SSB 40m, 20m and 17m. CW QSOs will be made
upon request. QSL via M0OXO (bureau/direct). Find more information at:
http://www.gb2hi.co.uk
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hilbre_Island
http://cobs.pol.ac.uk/cobs/webcam

EU-128, DL, Schleswig Holstein state East group: DL/HB9SVT will stay on
Fehmarn (DID O-01) from May 22 until Jun 12. He works in CW, SSB, RTTY
and BPSK31 on al HF bands. He might be able to activate also some
lighthouses. His website is: http://www.hb9svt.ch/dl-hb9svt
QSL via homecall (bureau/direct/LoTW/eQSL).

EU-172, OZ, Jylland east & Fyn group: OZ/DG9SEH will be QRV from Langeland
(DIA FY-019) from May 22 until Jun 2. QSL via homecall (bureau/direct).

NA-066, K, California state south (Orange & San Diego) group: K6VVA and NI6T
will be QRV as K6VVA/6 from Santa Catalina Island. They plan to work
mainly in CW on 40m-15m from May 24-26. QSL via N6AWD (bureau/direct).
Siehe auch: http://www.k6vva.com/iota/na066

OC-119, DU, Jolo group: We have heard of plans for an IOTA DXpedition to
the very rare Jolo group during the second half of May. They might
show up as DX8DX or DX8J, another possibility would be DU8/homecalls
(OPs: DV1UD, 4F1OZ, 4F2KWT). See also http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jolo

IOTA News

The RSGB announced that the IOTA program has their full support.
There are no problems concerning the financing or publishing of the
IOTA Directory which is the most important part of the very successful
Island on the Air program.

Bandspots of the last 7 days

40m
GB0HI 7.093 0407Z EU-120, via M0OXO (B)
GT0OOO/p 7.031 1056Z SOTA GD/GD-001
GT0OOO/p 7.032 0732Z SOTA GD/GD-002

20m
HS0ZEU 14.305 1414Z (B)
SV9/OZ7YY 14.029 1855Z
YI1HR 14.280 1332Z according QRZ.com: Pirate
9J2RI 14.058 1903Z via ZS6EZ (B), (L)

17m
EA8DO 18.141 1915Z

15m
FM1HN 21.257 2116Z via NI5DX (d)
JD1BMH 21.030 1452Z Ogasawara, (B)

12m
CE2/CX1EK 24.894 2304Z see QRZ.com
CO8LY 24.896 2246Z via EA7ADH (d)
PJ4LS 24.898 2226Z (d)
ZD8RH 24.903 1802Z via G4DBW (B)

10m
ZD7FT 28.491 1203Z (d)

6m
C5YK 50.125 1944Z via ON7YK, only e-QSL
CN8SG 50.135 1656Z via EA7FTR
EA7KB 50.147 1859Z (B)
EI3GRB 50.138 1603Z no paper QSL

PP5XX 50.125 1856Z (d, no IRCs)
YO5OVM 50.140 1503Z (B)

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(L) = LoTW
(r) = bureau QSL via e-mail request

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

-31May 3A2CWG 1726
23May-08Jun 3W2N 1728 *
-Dec 3Y8XSA 1700/1717
04May-20May 4JV3AM 1726
-25Oct 5B50J 1700
-08Jun 5X1VJ 1721
-Apr/12 5Z4RH ? 1674
19May-22May 7S6W 1728 *
08May-21May 8P9XB 1726
13May-24May 8R1A 1728 *
-31Dec 9A11P 1723
-Sep 9J2KK 1682
-Jul 9M2/RA9LR 1727
NOW 9M6/KM9D 1699
-Jun 9N7AK 1726
SOON 9Q1EK 1669
-Nov 9Q6CC 1699

-Aug A92IO 1663
-31Dec BP100 1684
-31Dec BV100 1684
21May-23May CR55PQ 1728 *
23May-29May CS2HD 1728 *
-31Dec CW5RV 1711
-May D2AK 1675
13May-20May DH2AK/C6A.. 1726
21May-30May Pellworm (DLs) 1728 *
-31Aug DL20Y2DM 1700
22May-12Jun DL/HB9SVT 1728 *
-May DX8DX/DX8J 1728 *
22Apr-04Jun F/ON4LO/p 1724
14May-22May FJ/OS1T 1727
-Aug FO8RZ 1636
-Jul/12 FR8NE 1710

20May-22May GB2HI 1728 *
-31Dec HB60LU 1711
-31Dec HG15IPA 1724
01Jan-31Dec HG200LST 1708
-30Jun HG2011A 1713

-05Jun HI3/KL7JR 1717/1721
02May-20May HI7/OT4R 1725
01Jan-31Dec IA7MM 1708
20May-23May IE9Z 1728 *
18May-23May IG9E 1727
01Jan-31Dec II1ITA.. 1708
-31May II3AC 1726
May IL7A 1726
01Mar-30Sep IO4UI 1717
-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul/12 J28RO 1683
21May-31May J79FCG.. 1728 *
19May-23May JW9HGA 1728 *

24May-26May K6VVA/6 1728 *
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
-May/12 KH4/W5FJG 1728 *
POSTPONED KH5 1674/1705
-31Dec LA200D 1713
May LZ2011KM 1727
-31Dec LZ85R 1721
14May-21May OJ0W 1728 *
May &Aug OL100VP 1721
Jun OL1911VP 1721
Apr &Jul OL2011VP 1721
May OL950CHEB 1725
22May-03Jun OY/PA2A.. 1728 *
22May-12Jun OZ/DG9SEH 1728 *
-Sep P29CW 1713
01Jan-31Dec PA30.. 1708
01May-28May PC65ISWL 1725
May PD04ISLE 1725
-Jun PP0T 1725
-31May R1945HS 1726
-Dec RI1ANC 1708

01May-31Jul SQ100MSC 1725
17May-28May SV9/OK1AMM.. 1728 *
14May-22May SX5F 1727
17May-24May T2XG 1727
-Jul T6TL 1695/1727
May T6PSE 1726
16May-22May TC130ATA 1728 *
18May-20May TC1919ATA 1728 *
-30May TJ3IC 1728 *
04Jun/05Jun TM90LH 1727
09Jul/10Jul TM90LH 1727
21May-26May TM0Z 1728 *
-31May UN50.. 1726
19May-Jul V31XB 1728 *
-31May VC2CQ85 1726

-Mar/12 VK0KEV (Macq) 1700/1701
-Jun VK0M/ZL4DB/p 1725
May -Aug W3CVD/4 1726
NOW XT2RJA 1712
-Sep ZD9GI 1691
-31Dec ZL50GH 1711

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

AO3EU via EA bureau
BQ100 via BM2JCC
DL/KL1A via RW3AH (d, OE address)
EA5/DL5EO via DL5EO (B)
EA5/G3XGS via G3XGS (d)
EA8/G8BCG via G8BCG
ED8ZAA via EA8RCK (d), eQSL
EG9RCE via EA9CE (B)
EI66P via EI4JY (B)
EM90AB via UR5AW (B)
EM0BSCC via UU0JM (B)
ER/K1WE via K1WE
F/ON4EME/p via ON4EME (B)
GX6LD via M0RBG (B)
GR1BAN via GM1BAN (B), eQSL
GR1CET via GI1CET
GR1EUW via G1EUW (B)
GR1FJI via GW1FJI (B)
GR1FON via G1FON (B), (L), eQSL
GR1HJW via G1HJW (B), (L)
GR1LFX via GW1LFX
GR1LHV via GW1LHV
GR1MWK via GM1MWK
GR1SGG via GW1SGG (B), eQSL
GR1TBW via GM1TBW
GR1VDP via M0URX (B), (L)
GR1WVY via GW1WVY
GR1VDP via M0URX (B), (L)
GR1WVY via GW1WVY
GR1ZIV via GM1ZIV
GR3SZU via G3SZU (B)
GR3TXF via G3TXF (B)
GR3XXR via G3XXR
GR4MKP via M0URX (B), (L)
GR8APB via G8APB (B), (L), eQSL
GR8BQK via GW8BQK
GR8CBQ via GM8CBQ
GR8DQP via G8DQP (B), eQSL
GR8IQC via GW8IQC

GR8JYV via G8JYV (B)
GR8KJO via GM8KJO
GR8KPH via GM8KPH (B)
GR8LUV via G8LUV
OE150HTL via OE8XEK (B)
OK/DL6UNF/p via DL6UNF (B)
OM1SZLH via OM1XQ (B), eQSL
OT7G via ON5MA (B)
PA6DEZWAAN via PA7ZEE (B)
PA6GST via PA9RD (B), (L)
PD6MILL via PD7BZ (B), (L), eQSL
PI4ETL via PA1CPA (B)
R1945HS via RW6HS (d)
RG3K via UA3QDX
RP66A via RK1OWA (B, automatically)
RP66B via RK3ZWA
RP66BR via RK3YYT
RP66K via RK3XWA
RP66KR via RJ1A
RP66MSK via R3BM
RP66MU via RZ1ZZZ
RP66N via RK6XWA
RP66NF via RW3DFQ (d)
RP66NMZ via UD6A
RP66NV via RK1TWW
RP66O via RK3EXA (RO2E)
RP66P via RK1WWA
RP66R via RK6LWA
RP66TP via UA7A (B)
SY7R via SZ7SER (B)
T6JC via S57J (B)
TA4/DL2RPS via DL2RPS (B)
TC3DEU via TA3X (B)
TI3/W7RI via AI4U (B)
TJ3IC via F5LGE (B)
TM20KJJ via F6KJJ (B), (L), eQSL
VR2UEU via JH9RUI
YO/HA5TAA via 9A3JB (B)
YP5WFF via YO5OAG (L)
Z23MS via UA3DX (B)
ZF2AT via DH2AK (B)
ZF2TH via DL1THM (B)
2R0GHQ eQSL
2R0GSL via G0VXC (B), eQSL
2R0RMD via 2I0RMD
2R0RVH via 2I0RVH
2R0RWF via 2W0RWF, eQSL preferred
2R0SPW via M0GXN (B)
2R0TCA via 2I0TCA (B)
2R0TEC via 2E0TEC (B)

2R0TGS via 2E0TGS (B), eQSL
2R0TRR via 2W0TRR
2R0TYG via 2W0TYG
2R0VAX via 2I0VAX eQSL
2R0VEP via 2I0VEP
2R0VIM via 2I0VIM
2R0WAI via 2I0WAI (B), eQSL
2R0XTP via 2W0XTP (d), eQSL
2R0YCG via 2M0YCG (B), (L), eQSL
2R0YKK via 2W0YKK
2R1MIC via 2M1MIC
2R1SJB via 2M1SJB
2R3SFC via 2C3SFC
4JS0RGE via 4J4K (d)
4JV3AM via RW6HS (d)
4JV6NS via 4K4K (d)
4JV7HA via 4J7A (d)
4K1AZI via UA5DX (B)
4KV3AJ via 4K3FPL (d)
4KV3MM via RW6HS (d)
4KV3SSH via RW6HS (d)
4KV6MS via 4K6C (d)
4KV6ZB via 4K6N (d)
4KV8GM via 4K8F (d)
4KV8MG via 4K8M (d)
4L0CR via DL8KAC
4S7VK via DJ9ZB (B)
4T100MP via OA4O (B)
4Z13AR via 4Z5NS
5B/US7IDX via RN3QO (B)
9A/IK3AES via IK3AES (B), (L)
9A/IK4RQJ via IK4RQJ (B)
9A8AMS via IZ4AMS (B)

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(*) = new QSL manager
(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) = e-mail request

QSLs arrived direct: S9DX (via DL1RTL)

QSLs arrived bureau: 9M2TO (via JA0DMV)

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509. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 09 - 15 May 2011

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# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
09 - 15 May 2011

Solar activity was at very low to low levels with isolated B and
C-class flares observed. Two CMEs on the earthward side of the sun
were observed during the period. The first CME was associated with a
C5 x-ray event at 09/2059 UTC from a region rounding the NE limb. It
appeared to be the return of old Region 1193 (N17, L=266). This
event produced a partial-halo CME with an estimated plane-of-sky
velocity of 1225 km/s, based on SOHO/LASCO imagery. The second CME
was associated with a B8 x-ray event at 11/0243 UTC, likely
associated with a filament eruption between Region 1205 (N14, L=036,
class/area Bxo/010 on 03 May) and Region 1207 (N24, L=007,
class/area Bxo/020 on 05 May). Associated with the second CME was a
Type II radio sweep (632 km/s). Based on SOHO/LASCO imagery, the
estimated plane-of-sky velocity was 420 km/s. The rest of the disk
was populated with numerous small, magnetically simple spot groups.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
high levels on 09 May and at moderate levels 10 - 15 May.

Geomagnetic activity ranged from quiet to active levels during the
period. Activity was at quiet levels on 09 May. Levels increased to
quiet to unsettled, with isolated active periods on 10 - 11 May.
This increase in activity was associated with the onset of a CH HSS.
Activity decreased to quiet levels from 12 - 13 May before
increasing to unsettled to active conditions midday on 14 May with
the onset of another CH HSS. Conditions were mostly quiet to
unsettled on 15 May as weak HSS effects continued.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
18 May - 13 June 2011

Solar activity is expected to be at very low to low levels through
the forecast period. There is a slight chance for isolated periods
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of moderate levels due to the possible emergence of new regions as well as the return of old regions.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at moderate to high flux levels during 18 - 20 May, normal to moderate flux levels on 21 - 26 May and back to moderate to high flux levels 27 - 29 May. This forecast is based on anticipated recurrent CH HSS influences.

Geomagnetic activity is expected to be at predominately quiet to unsettled levels on 17 May due to continued recurrent CH HSS effects. Activity is expected to decrease to mostly quiet levels during 18 - 25 May. The field is expected to be under the influence of a recurrent negative polarity CH HSS during 26 - 30 May. During this period, quiet to unsettled levels are expected, with isolated active periods on 27 May. Mostly quiet conditions are forecasted to return 31 May - 5 June, before another CH HSS is expected to return. Mostly quiet to unsettled conditions are expected 6 - 7 June from this small feature, before returning to quiet conditions 8 - 10 June. Mostly unsettled to active conditions are expected to return 11 - 13 June as HSS effects from the CH we are currently under the influence of should return.

510. WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING May 22 2011

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WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING May 22 2011.

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THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING MAY 22 2011.

AGM - TEXT EDTION ONLY

The 2011 WIA Annual Conference, Annual General Meeting and Open Forum will be
held in Darwin NT, next weekend. Yes it's here already.

Those attending will be looking forward to enjoying the hospitality offered by
the host club, the Darwin Amateur Radio Club, led by Spud Murphy VK8ZWM.

There's a nice balanced programme of social and technical activities that will
keep participants informed and entertained, and along the way they will

experience some of the relaxing tropical life that is Darwin.

Among the more mundane, yet essential elements of the weekend, is the Annual General Meeting of the Institute where reports from all aspects of the society's work will be tabled, and the open forum that follows provides an opportunity for questions and answers.

The WIA Board will meet on the Monday morning, and one part of the normal business of the Board is to appoint the army of volunteers who manage so many of the WIA's functions, and by my reckoning there are close to 40 such positions Add to these the people recruited to help them, and we have an army of volunteers across the nation working for you, the Amateurs of Australia.

Of course it's not just the WIA that relies on volunteers - every Amateur Radio group is operated by volunteers - it is the work done by those willing people that keeps clubs running, provides education and assessments for Amateur Radio licenses, build and maintain repeaters etc right through to the making of the tea, coffee and nibbles for club meetings.

So if you've not thanked the volunteers supporting your club, how about doing it real soon.

I'm Bob, VK6POP, Director of the Wireless Institute of Australia

NBN

The Federal Government on Wednesday morning claimed it had "made history" after it officially launched live services on its flagship National Broadband Network project on the mainland, in a ceremony attended by Prime Minister Julia Gillard and Communications Minister Stephen Conroy.

The northern NSW city of Armidale has had a number of residents connected to the NBN already for about a month, with a number of locals reporting in mid-April that their connections had gone live, with early entrant service providers such as Primus and iiNet connecting customers up.

However the NBN's mainland launch had not until Wednesday received its formal send-off.

Armidale is one of five first release sites where the NBN is rolling out on mainland Australia. The other sites of Kiama Downs and Minnamurra (NSW), Townsville (QLD), Willunga (SA) and Brunswick (Vic) which will begin offering services progressively over the coming months.

Read the full story on the web, google "Delimiter".

SKA

ABC Radio News in Tasmania have reported on a University of Tasmania team which has won out over dozens of other international proposals to access the new Australian Square Kilometre Array Pathfinder radio telescope currently under construction in Western Australia.

Professor John Dickey, Head of the School of Mathematics and Physics leads a team which will map the "interstellar medium" and analyse the structure of the

Milky Way and the lifecycle of stars.

IT'S RADIO AS YOU KNOW IT PLUS!

Joan Warner CEO, Commercial Radio Australia will speak on digital radio at this week's RadComms Conference in Sydney 26 & 27 May alongside other featured speakers such as, Senator the Hon. Stephen Conroy Minister for Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy.

The conference presents a unique opportunity to hear about the latest developments in spectrum, and offers open forums to exchange ideas with radiocommunications professionals across industry and government.

More here http://engage.acma.gov.au/radcomms-2011/

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK1

25th MAY General Meeting Presentation Topic:

"WSPR (Whisper) 101" - An introduction to Weak Signal Propagation Reporter.

Ian Stevenson VK1HOW has agreed to give a presentation on wspr with a demonstration of hardware and software applications to enable users to participate in WSPR digital technology

EDUCATION

14/15 May CRARC ran a Foundation Licence course in Canberra with 3 candidates for the course and one for an upgrade to advanced level.

Congratulations to Bruce Stewart, Jonathon Tary and Dennis Stanton for successfully completing the course and well done to Ian Stevenson for upgrading to advanced level.

CRARC run regular Foundation Licence courses and upgrade assessments every two months at Mt Mugga Scout Hall, their next Foundation course will be the weekend of the 16th and 17th July and Upgrade Assessments on the Sunday.

VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news

TRASH & TREASURE AT VK2WI.

Next Sunday the 29 th is the Trash & Treasure event at the VK2WI Dural site.

Commencing at 9.30 am it will be followed in the early afternoon by the Homebrew and Experimenters Group meeting. Also in the morning there will be the usual license assessments - Those wishing to undertake an assessment should attend by 10 am.

Further information may be obtained on the ARNSW phone 02 9651 1490 or mobile 0400 445 829.

VK4 - QNEWS
web service local audio news:- www.wiaq.com/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
local news email qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
VKR Roundup http://www.police.qld.gov.au/News+and+Alerts/Media+Releases/

News from the Queensland Digital Group and ATV Group.

Alan VK4NA informs us that the QDG is still growing and now has 53 members spread over five countries.

The club's Web site and monthly newsletter 'Digipeat' continue to interest both Amateur and non Amateurs alike.

Brisbane area members meet on the third Friday of the month for a chat and occasional lecture, Google 'Queensland Digital Group' for details

Amateur Television alive and well in Brisbane

South East Queensland ATV members meet in Brisbane on the first Friday of the month, join them for good company and good food, Google 'South East Queensland ATV group' for details.

At the April TREC meeting Ron Goodhew VK4EMF gave an update on the historical radio station XQA which will be on permanent display at the Mareeba Heritage Museum on the Atherton Tablelands.

Ron has been instrumental in acquiring and setting up this fascinating display of the first licensed Queensland Amateur Radio station (a spark gap station) that was operated by Marcus Brims in Mareeba in 1914. It is believed that the station is basically still in an operational condition.

Welcome to QNews from VK4WIA. I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP, and I've been thinking.

Technology has the effect of changing the interactions between people. The difference between walking, animal power and then machines such as trains saw a new mobility and knowledge of one's surrounds. The creation of written language, writing and the printing press changed the way information was spread. Electronics enhanced the telegraph, telephone and we now have pocket computers called smart phones.

News and information, trivia and comment are available at a finger touch on a screen and the current generation of technology users take this for granted. Long gone is the pedal radio and the operator connected phone call.

It is becoming more apparent that the benefits of this new communications technology are less "Star Trek" and more adapting social standards to available technology. The growing use of instant comms demands exponential growth of infrastructure.

However, in the hobby domain we have a limited range of technologies with poor geographic distribution to serve the amateur population. Similarly the cost of hand held devices which will meld internet and telephone function is comparable with the brand name major smart phone.

For me, the question becomes will the potential radio hobbyist be able to forsake the sophistication of the commercial system with multiple apps,

good available computing power and easy connectivity for the currently old and limited amateur radio service?

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think....how about you?

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART and the WW sources of the WIA.

NYC ALERT.

Smartphone and other GPS enabled mobile device users in the New York City will be the first in the United States to receive emergency alerts on their handsets. This with word that the new FCC inspired Personal Localized Alerting Network or PLAN system will be inaugurated in the Big Apple by the end of the year.

Once in operation, it will deliver geographically targeted text messages to GPS-enabled cellular telephones. The new system will be used for just three types of alerts.

These are ones issued by the president, alters of a life-threatening incident and AMBER Alerts in search of kidnapped or missing children.

Participating carriers can opt out of all but the Presidential alerts.

STILL IN USA AS WEATHER CLEARS IN SOUTHEAST, HAMS CONTINUE SUPPORT

Even though the storms that raged through Southeast USA have long gone, the damage and heartache they left in their wake are still present.

In Alabama, the state that felt the biggest brunt of the storms, hams made their way to fire stations, emergency operations centres and shelters -- anywhere they were told that they were needed.

Calling it his first experience with an EF-5 tornado, ARRL Southeastern Division Director W4OZK, said that the devastation is "mind-boggling!

ARES successfully provided a massive amount of critical communications, got repeaters back on the air, with no utility power.

It took five days before significant utility power was restored.

KOSHER

Telecommunications companies in Israel have tapped into a growing cell phone market with the creation of 'Kosher' mobile phones.

Kosher phones block access to services which are not approved by Ultra Orthodox rabbis such as erotic phone services and text messaging between members of the opposite sex.

These devices do not have SMS, they don't have data, they don't have internet, they don't have a camera, they don't have a radio. These devices are for speech only. And there is a market in the world which is interested in a speech-only device.

Bletchley Park Enigma exhibition

If you are visiting the UK, listen up! Bletchley Park Trust has opened a new exhibition commemorating the 70th anniversary of the capture of an Enigma machine and codebooks from German U-boat 110 that took place 70 years ago.

The exhibition contains photographs of the capture and it is the first time all known photos have been exhibited together at the same time. The exhibition tells the full story including many of the details that appeared in the best selling book on the capture of the Enigma code.

www.bletchleypark.org.uk.

SOTA PASSES MILLIONTH QSO

Some big news for hams who like to operate portable off of tall rocks called mountains. Here's Jeremy Boot, G4NJH with the details:

Summits on the Air recently passed a significant milestone with its millionth QSO being made over the recent holiday period.

SOTA started in 2002 and has now grown into a worldwide award scheme with 55 associations across the world and around 44,000 qualifying summits.

I'm Jeremy Boot and you are tuned to the Amateur Radio Newsline.

For more information on the scheme, check out the internet at www.sota.org.uk

W8BBA FALLS SILENT AFTER 50 YEARS SERVICE TO VETERANS

Amateur station W8BAA located at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Brecksville Ohio fell silent on April 29th after at least 50 years of service to veterans.

The Brecksville VA hospital operations are being moved to the main Cleveland VA hospital and the Brecksville radio club equipment is being transferred to the radio room at that facility. The club call at the main hospital is WA8VA.

HAM NATION WITH K9EID PREMIERES MAY 24

Amateur Radio's Mr. Audio, Bob Heil, K9EID, will be hosting a new weekly HD video webcast about our hobby titled Ham Nation. According to Bob, each weeks Ham Nation will feature interesting guests as they discuss the many fascinating aspects of the hobby.

The shows premiere on May 24th will have famed rock guitarist Joe Walsh, WB6ACU, and broadcast facility designer Dave Jennings, WJ6W, as Bob's special guests.

Jennings is one of the hosts of the Amplitude Modulation International net that meets every Wednesday on 3870 kHz.

Ham Nation will air Tuesday evenings at 9 p.m. Eastern, 8 p.m. Central and 6 p.m. Pacific time on Leo Laporte's TWIT TV Internet network.

To tune in, please take your web browser to live.twit.tv and join the fun.

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2011

2011

Aug 20-21 WW I.L.L.W.

A milestone for the International Lighthouse & Lightship Weekend

The 200th entry has been received from Jason Schlencker VK4FJGS, who will be at the Sea Hill Point Lighthouse on the tip of Curtis Island off Central Queensland.

Also adding excitement is a new country, Azerbaijan which will see the Absheron Lighthouse take to the air under the callsign 4J0LH.

Usually there are about 50 countries and last year we had a record 447 entries.

The basic objective is to promote awareness of lighthouses and lightships, their need for preservation, promotion of amateur radio and International goodwill.

Germany has 34 registrations so far this year, just ahead of the USA and Australia on 28 each, followed by England, Netherlands and Sweden.

There are many more accessible and yet to be activated lighthouses around the world.

The 48-hour fun event is always held on the 3rd weekend in August, which this year means August the 20th and 21st. Check out the details on the website ILLW.NET

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

Steve VK3TDX has been told by CQ magazine he was the Oceania winner SOAB HP for the 2010 RTTY DX contest with 1326 QSO's, he says "This is my first significant contest win and I get the plaque for Oceania HP but due to a misunderstanding of who was going to sponsor the Oceania plaque my name didn't get printed in the winners on page 16 of the current CQ issue but the contest director confirms that I did win."

(73 Steve VK3TDX via vk6pop)

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

The Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society was approached by a group named "1912 the Event" This group is commemorating the 100th anniversary of the sinking of the Titanic in April 1912.

They wanted a morse code operator for their displays, the first on May 31st from 6.30 to 9.30 pm at Adelaide Arcade, this is 100 years from the launch of the Titanic.

One of our members, Doc, VK5BUG, took up the challenge. Doc is an excellent CW operator, but will measure his speed to match his contact's ability.

The Club have obtained the call VK5MGY from the ACMA. MGY was the call of the Titanic. The call will be in use for the next 12 months and we will produce a QSL card for contacts.

Keep your ear out for VK5MGY on the bands for the next 12 months.

Check out the event web site 1912theevent.com

This has been David VK5KC, President of the Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society

MONACO, 3A.

Monaco Telegraphy Group active as 3A2CWG during the month of May in celebration of its 20th anniversary.
QSL via 3A2LF.

COLLINGWOOD OPEN DAY JUNE 4

On the air, the United Kingdom's Royal Naval Amateur Radio Society will run a special event station on the H.M.S. Collingwood on Saturday June 4th. The callsign to be used is GB6COD which stands for Collingwood Open Day. The station will be operational on all amateur bands from 1.8MHz through 440 MHz. The Society headquarters station will also be open for viewing from 9.30am to 6pm the same day. The open day will also feature the Royal Navy Field Gun Competition.

JULY 24

Hellenic Amateur Radio Association of Australia out to Lord Howe Island VK9HR. 24th July to 2nd August 2011.

get this - get the cupie doll!

On 7 May 2011 a new beacon was switched on in Bloemfontein to test NAVIS conditions from the central Freestate. The beacon operates on 7 027 kHz running 50 mW into a dipole antenna 6 metre above the ground.

The purpose of the new beacon is to test propagation conditions from central South Africa. The antenna in use is set up for NVIS conditions. NAVIS is the acronym for Near Vertical Incidence Skywave. It is a radio-wave propagation method that provides usable signals in the range between ground wave and sky wave distances, usually between 50 to 650 km. The radio waves travel upwards into the ionosphere, where they are refracted back down and can be received within a circular region up to 650 km from the transmitter. If the frequency is too high, refraction fails to occur and if it is too low absorption reduces the signal strength. The usable frequencies for NVIS communications are between 1,8 and 15 MHz.

The beacon sends the following message in an endless loop in CW at 5 words per minute: "VVV DE ZS4BOT/B KG30BV." The beacon's position is KG30BV.

The beacon and software was designed and built by Jan, ZS4JAN.

Reports can be sent to wirelesscomms@vodamail.co.za.

WIRELESS WEATHER

Beginning Tuesday, September 6, the Space Weather Prediction Centre will cease broadcasting its geophysical alert message on WWV and WWVH.

These messages have informed listeners of the solar flux, the mid-latitude A and K indices and space weather storms, both current and predicted. Currently, the message is heard on minute 18 from WWV and minute 45 from WWVH.

The information will still be available on the SWPC website.

www.nws.noaa.gov

(sourced to arrl)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

AMSAT-VK UNOFFICIAL HF Net.
2nd Sunday each month.
April through October 1000 UTC 3.685 MHz
November through March 0900 UTC 7.068 MHz

Space shuttle Commander Mark Kelly and his five crewmates, 3 of whom are licenced radio amateurs, are on the International Space Station after launching from NASA's Kennedy Space Center Monday.

The STS-134 mission is the penultimate orbiter flight and the final one for shuttle Endeavour

Kelly's crewmates are Pilot Greg H. Johnson and Mission Specialists Mike Fincke KE5AIT, Drew Feustel, Greg Chamitoff KD5PKZ and Roberto Vittori IZ6ERU, of the European Space Agency.

IZ6ERU will be the last international astronaut to fly aboard a shuttle.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- IOTA
http://rsgbiota.org

50 YEARS OF IOTA

2014 marks the 50th anniversary of the launch of the Islands On The Air Program by British SWL Geoff Watts. As a build-up to celebrations on this occasion, the RSGB Islands On The Air Manager and Committee have announced an exciting activity period in which all licensed amateurs world-wide are invited to participate.

For a two-year period during 2012 and 2013, Islands On The Air chasers are encouraged to contact as many different IOTA groups as possible. Also, for hams so inclined to play their part by operating from as many groups as possible, with special emphasis on the less-frequently activated ones.

The complete rules of the Islands On The Air 50th Anniversary Marathon will appear in the forthcoming RSGB IOTA Directory to be released at the Dayton Hamvention.

They can also be on-line at www.g3kma.dsl.pipex.com

REWIND

Who was &#xFFFD;douard Branly?

�douard Branly (1844-1940) was one of the earliest pioneers of radio, but is largely unknown outside his native France. Branly's experiments in 1889/90 with the "coherer" receiver, arguably the earliest practical radio receiver, was credited by the later, British receiver pioneer, Oliver Lodge, and was further developed by Guglielmo Marconi, then replaced about 1907 by crystal detectors. Indeed, Marconi's first wireless transmission across the English Channel, in 1899, sent a greeting and credit to Branly.
(Original in French; translated: "Mr. Marconi sends to Mr. Branly his regards over the Channel through the wireless telegraph, this nice achievement being partly the result of Mr. Branly's remarkable work.")

The coherer was a 'digital' device, relying on the welding of minute particles of iron where the electromagnetic radiation broke through the oxide and thus caused a sudden reduction in the conductivity of the coherer. In this respect, it was a 'digital' receiver, in the same way that the Morse Code is a digital mode. Branly realised the necessity to strike or vibrate the coherer to break apart the particles; Lodge perfected the technique; Marconi employed it.

Branly was trained as a physicist at the Sorbonne University in Paris, earning a doctorate for studies into electrostatic phenomena in batteries. He later trained as a physician, earning a doctorate for studying haemoglobin concentration in blood, before returning to practical physics as a professor at the new Catholic University (Institute Catholic) of Paris.

Branly participated in the early radio experiments from the Eifell Tower in the late 1890s. He did not file any patent and freely distributed coherers (Branly tubes) to all requesting them, concentrating on the improvement of its sensitivity and stability; nevertheless, this technology was overtaken by crystals and then valves and transistors. Branly was twice proposed for a Nobel Prize in Physics, in 1904 and 1915, but radio was acknowledged in 1909 for Marconi and Braun. In 1911, amidst open controversy, Branly was elected to the French Academy of Sciences in a contest against Marie Curie. The next year, he refused Marconi's offer to be a technical advisor to a Marconi company. During World War 1, Branly served as a military engineer, including developing an infrared telegraph for secret communications.

Even after formal retirement from the Catholic University, Branly was an active experimenter into his early 90s, using a laboratory built for him at the Institute Catholic by a benefactor, and honoured variously including a visit in 1934 by the mother of US President Roosevelt. He published his last paper in 1935, at age 91, describing a medical thermometer using Nickel in the bulb. He died in 1940, his funeral at Notre Dame cathedral in Paris attended by the French President.

�douard Branly (1844-1940), radio pioneer.

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http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Guglielmo_Marconi

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SOCIAL SCENE

2011

May 27-29 WIA AGM Weekend in Darwin
secretary@wia.org.au

Jun 10 - 12 VK4 Far North and North Queensland Amateur Radio Gathering at
King Reef Resort Kurrimine Beach. CANCELLED (VK4DMC)

Jun 11 - 12 VK2 Oxley Region Amateur Radio Club annual Field Day

Jul 16 VK3 Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club Hamfest
Cranbourne Community Hall 10am (secretary@ggrec.org.au)

Jul 16 VK4 Maryborough Electronics and Radio Group "Wide Bay Hamfest"
West Scout Hall, Ariadne St, Maryborough 8:30am.
secretary@merg.org.au

Jul 31 VK2/3 Riverina Field Day 10am at Lavington Scout Group Hall.

Aug 7 VK2 Lismore region - SARCFEST

Sep 11 VK3 SADARC Comms Day at St Augustine's Hall Shepparton 10am.

Sep 16-18 VK4 NQ Amateur Radio Convention Date Set Townsville

Sep 23-28 R3 Region 3 ARDF Championship Bendigo VK3
http://r3.ardf.org.au/

Sep 30-Oct 2 VK4 Central Highlands Amateur Radio Club AGM at Camp Fairbairn
CONTACT Secretary Gordon, (vk4kal@wia.org.au)

Nov 20 vk5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society Hamfest
Goodwood Community Centre, Rosa St Goodwood at 0930.
Visit www.ahars.com.au for contact details

2012

15TH IARU REGION 3 CONFERENCE hosted by V.A.R.C. in Ho-Chi-Minh City, Vietnam.

JAN 23-FEB 17 YEAR 2012
World Radio Conference WRC-11 Geneva 23rd January TO 17th February 2012

MAY 3-18 2012 VK5
YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

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Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our lastet NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2011-05-19
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter, once a week (thursday)
from now on - if any special activities will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further detail please be so kind and watch our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you vy welcome for any
input and we do hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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** SPORADIC E saison, inputs to MMMonVHF and Observation 2011 **

The first 144 MHz ES-Opening 2011 occured past sunday, may 15th!
In case of an ES opening on 144 MHz please remember to send all your
QSO in a short Log to MMMonVHF - HOW? Please go to the MMMonVHF forum
www.mmmonvhf.de/minibb/index.php?action=vthread&forum=11&topic=80
and read about our "call for reports". The text will be available
in several languages. or use direct the input at:

http://www.mmmonvhf.de/es.php >>> click on "Send your Report"

Remember please that we are going to publish ONLY 144 MHz Logs - if
we get input for 6m, 4m or 3m reports we do use it for the headline.
As you all know, the most necessary at a SPORADIC E Opening will be
to be at the right time at the right place. As well every of us will
have some "warning" systems for the time between May to August.

SOURCE: Guy, DL8EBW, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

** 144 MHz SUPER TROPO on may, 16th, 2011 **

Amazing things happening today. Tropo overseas provided possibilities
between the Azores and the coastal regions of Portugal, Spain, France
Great Brittain, Ireland, Belgium and Holland! The beacon CU8DUB/B was
switched on only last week and reported as far as in JO20WX by PA4EME
(3126 km!). Furthest QSO so far between ON4KHG and CU8AO (2986 km!)
CONGRATS Gaetan! More at: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/tr.php
SOURCE: Frank, PA4EME, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
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and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: SV5 ; Square: KM37 ; Start: 2011-05-14 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3815

SX5F - Dx Pedition to Farmakonisi Rocky Islet (KM37NG). Timeline:
2011, May 14 - 22, DXCC: SV5 (Dodecanese Isl. area) GIOTA: DKS-057,
IOTA: EU-001. Lighthouse: Farmakonisi Light, ARLHS: DOD-054, WLOTA:
3147 (thanks F4EUG for the Wlota no), MIA: MGD-009, Grid Square: KM37ng
Dx-pedition of the ''Dx Plus'' Hellenic Amateur Radio Team.
Operators: SV1GRM - SV1HER - SV1RP -SV1GE - SV1GYG - SV2FWV- SV1DPJ
SOURCE: tnx to Sotirios, SV1HER, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: SM ; Square: JP87 ; Start: 2011-06-06 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3816

Ronny, DL1RNW, back on Tour in Juni - Hallo, at the time of 6 until
12 June I will be active from jp87 (SM/DL1RNW) via ms. Exact times
will I tell via ON4KST or MMMonVHF ... RIG: 300 Watt 11el Yagi
SOURCE: tnx to Ronny, DL1RNW direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: CU ; Square: HM77 ; Start: 2011-06-29 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3784

A DL Team (DM1AC, DM1CG, DL9MS) will be active holiday style from
CU2 (HM77ct) on HF and 6m EME and as well 2m EME/TEP. LATEST NEWS
from Joachim, DL9MS, dated 2011-05-17: Team for the CU tour now
consist with Angelo, DM1AC, Carsten, DM1CG and myself, DL9MS.
Call is NOT fixed yet! We try our best to get a CR2 or CR3 call...
As well as on 2m we will try 6m EME from CU with a gd EME PA from
BEKO. Thanks to Dith, DF7KF for all sponsoring of these (and other)
trips! SOURCE: tnx to Joachim, DL9MS, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: 8P ; Square: GK03 ; Start: 2011-11-07 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3785

A DL Team (consists of DL9MS & DL8YHR) will be active holiday style
from 8P9 (GK03) on HF and 6m as well 2m EME. LATEST NEWS from
Joachim, DL9MS, dated 2011-05-17: Team consists of Frank, DL8YHR and
Joachim, DL9MS. The timeframe slightly changed to nov. 7th till 21st.
SOURCE: tnx to Joachim, DL9MS, direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
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** Howard WB4WXE return to St. Lucia / FK93 **

Howard WB4WXE is planning a return to St. Lucia again 25 June- 15 July 2011. Callsign this year will be J68HS. This is a 50 Mhz expedition. However, when 6 meters is quiet, attention will be given to 12m, 17m, 40m, and 160m. Operation site will be at 2,000 foot elevation over looking Soufriere, St. Lucia. Grid square is FK 93. Antennas this year include a 6 element Yagi for 6m, 2 element Yagi for 17m, and full size 1/2 wave vertical for 160m, 40m and 12. Equipment will be an Icom IC-706 with Tokyo Hy-Power HL-550fx 550 watt 1.8-50 mhz amplifier. QSL via QRZ.com for J68HS. An additional 200 watt 50 mhz amplifier will be travelling to J69MV for year round resident activity on 6m. Tot has the 6m Yagi up now so expect to hear bo th callsigns this summer. 73 SOURCE: Howard WB4WXE via UKSMetre Group Announce

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ACTIVATING EL58 in 2011

LATEST K5N Activation group announcement, dated 2011-05-18: As you may know, the Mississippi River is currently undergoing "The Great Flood of 2011". River heights are at record levels. The peak of the flood will fall during the time that we had planned to be at EL58--or very close. The team does not believe that traveling the river will be safe In addition, the island where we must setup may quite possibly be under water. Burwood Island was only about 2 ft above the Gulf of Mexico when we were there in 2009. Current river heights are running 3 ft above normal and rising. None of us are prepared for a Scarborough Reef type expedition. Hence, we are moving our DXpedition dates. Here is the latest plan: June 29th Team arrives in Venice, LA - June 30th Load the boats and leave for EL58. We should be operational by 1PM or so - July 1-3 Operate from EL58 - July 4th Operate until 9AM. Then the team will pack out and leave the island. For all the details, please check out our new EL58 web page which may be accessed from the Grid Bandits home page (http://www.kcvhfgridbandits.com/) by clicking the DXpeditions button at the lower right. Or, just go to http://kcvhfgridbandits.com/kc_vhf_grid_bandits_044.htm
Also, please note the addition of Russ-KB8U of CM79 fame. All email concerning this event should be addressed to k5n@bellsouth.net, NOT to our personal email addresses. Team K5N wishes to apologize for having to change our plans again, but we believe that fighting the Mississippi River is probably a seriously losing proposition. We believe that the water will be down to manageable levels by June 30th We hope to work everyone possible, so listen up for us. Thank you. 73 SOURCE: N5OMG, KE5KDM, WN2E, N5YA, K5QE, KB8U, K5YG, W5TFW and N0IRS A Grid Bandits DXpedition, via Marshall, K5QE, to MMMonVHF

** J7 Dominica Operation **

DOMINICA, J7.George, K5KG, Dan, K1TO, Jim, WI9WI, and Chris, NX4N
will be QRV as J79FCG, J79WI, and J71W, May 21 through May 31.
Activity will be on all HF bands and 6m using CW and SSB.They plan
to be active as J7A in the CQ WPX CW contest.QSL J79FCG via K1TO.
QSL J7A and J71W via NX4N. QSL J79WI via WI9WI.
SOURCE: George Wagner, K5KG via NG3K-DX-News

** CM93 Preliminary Announcement **

Hello All, this is a preliminary announcement for the grid trip
Dennis K7BV and I will be making to CM93. Dates are June 8th to
June 15th and possibly longer weather permitting. This trip will
be focusing on 6 meters and possibly some 2 meters if there is room
on the vessel. We will be on the vessel for the whole operation.
More details will be coming shortly with frequencies etc. Regards
SOURCE: Barry KS7DX via WSJT group reflector

** Alaska, KL7, Activity **

Yuri, N3QQ and other Russian Robinson Club members are planning to
operate as KL7RRC from the Alaskan island St. Matthew between July 29
to August 5, 2011. They wil have an IC7600 and 3 IC7000; no PA for
6m and only 1/4 lambda as 6m antenna :-(
Web site: http://www.na-234.com/index.html
SOURCE: (Sixitalia Weekly) via CQ Six - 50 MHz DX News #20110516

** FP, ST. PIERRE & MIQUELON **

Eric, KV1J, will once again be operating from the Island of Miquelon
((NA-032, DIFO FP-002 WLOTA 1417, Grid GN17) as FP/KV1J between
October 24th and November 1st. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using
CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31 (but primarily SSB and RTTY). He will
generally be on the highest frequency band that is open, and he may
try 6 meters if there is an indications of openings. He has no
permission for 60m. Also, look for him on the AO-51 satellite (and
other FM birds), weather permitting and if in the 2M/70cm mode. Eric
will also be in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a
Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via KV1J, direct or by the Bureau and
also LoTW. For more details and update, check out his Web page at:
http://www.kv1j.com/fp/october11.html
SOURCE: [DX-ENG] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1011

** IOTA DXPEDITION MS0INT **

The MS0INT Team (Col/MM0NDX [team leader], Christian/EA3NT, Ramon/EA3OR Raul/EA5KA, Stan/EI6DX, Vincent/F4BKV and Simon/IZ7ATN] will activate IOTAs EU-010, EU-059 and EU-111 in about four weeks. The proposed time table of their planned activities have now been announced. They will attempt to follow this schedule as closely as possible, but since the weather and seas dictate this expedition, their plans may change suddenly. During transmissions they will regularly update their operating locations should they differ from their intentions. The tentative schedule is as follows:
June 14th - Look for MM/F4BKV and MM0NDX/p from South Uist (afternoon) and Berneray (evening) -- both EU-010.
June 15th - Look for MM/F4BKV and MM0NDX/p from Benbecula; awaiting full team to arrive (morning) EU-010.
June 15th - The group will split into three teams of two to activate Grimsay, North Uist and Baleshare, EU-010 simultaneously on CW and SSB during the afternoon.
Team 1: MM/F4BKV and MM/EI6DX activate Grimsay
Team 2: MM/EA5KA and MM/EA3OR activate North Uist
Team 3: MM/EA3NT and MM0NDX/p activate Baleshare
June 15th - MM/IZ7ATN and others on air from Berneray during the evening.
June 16th - Depart Grimsay for Monach Isles, EU-111. Spend approx. 24 hours on Monachs. Callsign: MS0INT/p
June 17-20th - St Kilda Archipelago, EU-059 activity until latest 0800z on June 20th. Callsign: MS0INT. Three HF stations CW/SSB + 50Mhz (50MHz Trophy Contest included). All QSL requests for MS0INT and MS0INT/p go via M0URX. All QSL requests for MM/<homecall> are via RX3RC. ADDEDE NOTE: Vincent, F4BKV, plans to be active from Shetland (EU-012), Orkney (EU-009) and Great Cumbrae (EU-123) between June 11-13th, prior to joining the MS0INT team. For updates and more details, watch: http://ms0int.com
SOURCE: [DX-ENG] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1011

** EO40 6m Activation May 28 to June 3 WB8BZK/VE3 **

VUCC grid hunters who need Canadian grid EO40 may want to listen for WB8BZK / VE3 who will activate EO40ud from Seseganaga Lake in Ontario between May 28 and June 3. Band: 50 MHz SSB & CW Frequencies: 50.135 MHz (starting on the calling freq, 50.125 MHz and moving up to 50.135 during an opening) Equipment: FT100D with 100W into a 3 element yagi up 30 feet, Battery powered - Activity times: I will check for activity each morning at 1230Z and then again between 2230Z and 2300 each evening. I will also give it a try if the WX is too nasty to go out fishing. Looking forward to a few band openings or maybe some aurora action. I am willing to make a few 1230Z SSB Meteor Scatter Sequence skeds. I will QSL to all who need the grid. Send SASE to WB8BZK address on QRZ.com 73 Mike WB8BZK/VE3
SOURCE: tnx to Andy, N8OFS direct to MMMonVHF

** V3, BELIZE, qrv HF and 50 MHz **

Mike, VE2XB, will be active as V31XB from Caye Caulker Island (NA-073) starting May 19th, for several weeks. Activity will be on all HF bands except 6m, using CW and SSB. Mike states that he will be looking especially for JA stations to work this IOTA (as well as everyone else). QSL via VE2XB (see QRZ.com). ADDED NOTE: Mike will be heading to J79-land in July for several weeks.
SOURCE: [DX-ENG] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1011

** IOTA Trip - IE9Z from Ustica Island, JM68 **

IT9AHI, IT9DVZ, IT9TFX, IT9TQH, IT9YMM, IT9ZIV and IW9FSG will be active as IE9Z from Ustica Island (EU-051) on 20-23 May. They will operate SSB, CW and RTTY on the HF bands, plus 6 and 2 metres. QSL via IT9TFX, direct or bureau.
SOURCE: [TNX IT9YMM] via [425ENG] 425 DX News #1045

** SPECIAL EVENT GB6COD qrv **

The Royal Naval Amateur Radio Society will run a Special Event station at the open day in HMS Collingwood on Saturday, 4 June 2011. The call sign to be used is GB6COD, Collingwood Open Day. The station will be operational on all amateur bands from 1.8MHz to 440MHz. The Society headquarters station will be open for viewing from 9.30am to 6pm on the day. A number of demonstrations will be taking place using amateur radio and amateur television. QSL via the RSGB bureau.
SOURCE: [GB2RS] via ICPO Bulletin (13-20 May 2011)

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** Many thanks to all our USER who did send us info and News **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/kontact.php **

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as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
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Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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512. The ARRL Letter for May 19, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-19 21:18:20 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20110519192559.4018C26DEC@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 4502
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==> DAYTON HAMVENTION: 2011 DAYTON HAMVENTION® COVERAGE STARTS FRIDAY, MAY 20

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Beginning Friday, May 20, check the ARRL website for daily summaries
of Dayton Hamvention activity, complete with news and photos from the
show. Videos may also appear on the ARRL HQ YouTube channel
<http://www.youtube.com/user/ARRLHQ?feature=mhee>. If you are a member
of Facebook, you can also follow the action on the ARRL's Facebook page
<http://www.facebook.com/ARRL.org>. Watch for photos and comments in
the 2011 Dayton Hamvention Facebook album
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<http://www.facebook.com/media/set/?set=a.10150179239067408.312942.200692124007&l=546e23701e>.

==> + FRIENDS USE HAM RADIO TO SUMMON HELP WHEN ALASKA AMATEUR IS MAULED BY BEAR

Wes Perkins, KL0FM, of Nome, Alaska, was seriously mauled by a grizzly bear during a hunting trip on Sunday, May 14. According to the Alaska State Troopers, Perkins and two friends had been tracking the bear east of Nome -- located on the Seward Peninsula -- when the big grizzly charged the group. Perkins' companions shot and killed the animal during the attack. Perkins was badly hurt, including severe injuries to his face. The hunters called for help using an Amateur Radio handheld transceiver. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/alaska-amateur-mauled-by-bear-friends-use-ham-radio-to-summon-help>.

==> + FCC NEWS: FCC UPHOLDS $4000 FINE TO PENNSYLVANIA AMATEUR

The FCC announced that on May 16, it issued a Forfeiture Order of $4000 to Jose Torres, N3TX, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, "for willfully and repeatedly operating his amateur station on an unauthorized frequency at his residence, in violation of Section 1.903(a) of the Commission's Rules." This action follows a 2009 Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture (NAL) against Torres. In 2009, the FCC issued the NAL against Torres, after receiving a complaint of interference in 2008. Agents in the Enforcement Bureau's Philadelphia Office used mobile direction finding equipment in April and June of that year to determine the source of interference. Both times, they found that the source coming from Torres' residence and that the interference consisted of unauthorized radio transmissions on 26.71 MHz. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-upholds-4000-fine-to-pennsylvania-amateur>.

==> + HONORING AMATEUR RADIO: PUERTO RICAN AMATEURS RECOGNIZED ON D&#65533;A DEL RADIOAFICIONADO DE PUERTO RICO

Radio amateurs in Puerto Rico celebrated Puerto Rico Amateur Radio Operator Day (D&#65533;a del Radioaficionado de Puerto Rico) on May 10, as provided by Law No. 50 of June 7, 1996. The law establishes the second Tuesday of May for this recognition.

That same day -- at a ceremony recognizing a number of voluntary organizations in the headquarters of the Puerto Rico Emergency Management Agency (AEMEAD <http://www.gobierno.pr/AEMEAD/Inicio>) -- AEMEAD Executive Director Heriberto Saur&#65533; presented the proclamation celebrating Puerto Rico Amateur Radio Operator Day, signed by the Governor of Puerto Rico Luis G. Fortu&#65533;o. Carlos Rosado, KP4CAR, accepted the proclamation on behalf of all radio amateurs in Puerto Rico, and especially on behalf of the Amateur Radio Volunteer Corps of Puerto Rico (CVRPR <http://www.cvrpr.com/>), who work closely with the agency in both drills and emergency situations.

"With this proclamation, we have the opportunity to promote and publicize Amateur Radio as a tool of vital importance when maintaining active communications in the event of a breakdown in traditional communications systems due to an emergency and to maintain the flow of information, whether internal or external, as well if necessary," Saur&#65533; said at the ceremony. Click here <http://www.arrl.org/images/view/News/proclamadiadelradioafic.jpg> to read the proclamation.

==> ON THE AIR: LIVE WEBCAM FROM THE DAYTON CROWNE PLAZA CONTINUES THROUGH SATURDAY NIGHT

Thanks to the hard work of Ben Townsend, AK2X, and support from ICOM America, the North Coast Contesters are proud to host the Dayton Contest Cam -- live from the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Downtown Dayton.

"Live camming began Wednesday evening and will continue through Saturday night," said Contest University Chairman Tim Duffy, K3LR. "The cam has an interactive text chat, so you can text the folks that you see on the cam and they can 'talk' back to you via the audio feature on the Dayton end."

Duffy said that while the cam is running, attendees will come up to it and tell viewers what is going on at Contest University on Thursday, the TopBand Dinner on Friday night and even the Super Suite each night through Saturday. "We'll also try and cover the Contest Dinner on Saturday night," he said. "With noted contester and DXer Scott Redd, K0DQ, giving the keynote speech, this is something that you don't want to miss. We're going to try and move the cam around to give viewers a feel of what is going on here. This is our first time trying this out and it might be a little clunky, so please bear with us."

You can reach the cam by going to anyone of the four contesting website front pages -- www.contestsupersuite.com <http://www.contestsupersuite.com/>, www.contestuniversity.com <http://www.contestuniversity.com/>, www.contestdinner.com <http://www.contestdinner.com/> and www.topbanddinner.com <http://www.topbanddinner.com/> -- and clicking on the "Click to Watch Live Dayton Contest Cam" link.

"We hope this new cam helps bring some of the Dayton Contest experience to all of those that cannot be here this weekend," Duffy said.

==> + ON THE AIR: BOB HEIL, K9EID, TO HEADLINE NEW INTERNET SHOW

On Tuesday, May 24, Bob Heil, K9EID -- owner of Heil Sound -- will premier a new netcast show on Leo Laporte's TwiT.tv website. Called HamNation, the show will focus on equipment, applications, tips and general information for the Amateur Radio operator. Heil's first guest will be rock star, friend and fellow radio amateur Joe Walsh, WB6ACU. Walsh also wrote the theme music for the show. The show will be broadcast each week over the Internet at TWiT.tv at no cost. Read more here

<http://www.arrl.org/news/bob-heil-k9eid-to-headline-new-internet-show>.

==> + ON THE AIR: WRTC 2014 ANNOUNCES ADVISORY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Three radio amateurs have been selected to be on the Advisory Council for the 2014 World Radiosport Team Championships (WRTC): Tim Duffy, K3LR, of Edmond, Oklahoma, Craig Thompson, K9CT, of Trivoli, Illinois, and George DeMontrond III, NR5M, of Houston Texas. The WRTC Advisory Council consists of individuals who have not only have experience in the execution of major events, but can provide significant financial resources to the project. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/wrtc-2014-announces-advisory-council-members>.

==> + 2011 ARRL/TAPR DIGITAL COMMUNICATIONS CONFERENCE CALL FOR PAPERS

Technical papers are solicited for presentation at the 30th Annual ARRL/TAPR Digital Communications Conference, to be held September 16-18 in Baltimore, Maryland. Papers will also be published in the Conference Proceedings. Authors do not need to attend the conference to have their papers included in the Proceedings. The submission deadline is July 31, 2011. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/2011-arrl-tapr-digital-communications-conference-call-for-papers>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "If I look hard enough into the setting Sun <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BQ0q7uJVSPI>" Cook, K7RA, reports: We saw a decline in sunspot activity this week with a 23 point drop in the average daily sunspot numbers and a nearly 9 point decline in the average daily solar flux. These compare, of course, to the numbers for the previous reporting week, which always runs from Thursday through Wednesday. But with this decline in activity, there were three new sunspot groups on May 14 and then one new sunspot group each day following, through May 18. Enhanced geomagnetic activity occurred from May 15-17, with the planetary A index in the low double-digits. The latest prediction from NOAA/USAF is for solar flux readings of 95 on May 19, then 92 on May 20-26 and jumping to 110 on May 27-30. The predicted planetary A index is 5 on May 19-26, then 22, 18, 15, 15 and 8 on May 27-31. Look for more information on the ARRL website on Friday, May 20. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by the Rolling Stones' Paint It Black <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Paint_It,_Black>.

==> VOTING NOW OPEN FOR JUNE QST COVER PLAQUE AWARD

Now that you've thumbed through and read the June 2011 issue of QST cover-to-cover, we're sure that an article sticks in your mind. So go ahead and cast your vote for your favorite article in the issue. The article with the most votes will receive the QST Cover Plaque Award.

- A One Person, Safe, Portable and Easy to Erect Antenna Mast, by Bob Dixon, W8ERD
- Is There an Optimum Height for an HF Antenna? by Kazimierz "Kai" Siwiak, KE4PT
- Direct Digital Synthesis for Those Classic Rigs, by Joe Lunsford, N4YG
- A Single Element Vertical "Beam," by David Robbins, K7BKI
- Two Small Helical Antennas for 2 Meters, by John E. Portune, W6NBC
- Get Up and Get-on-the-Air, by Gary Pearce, KN4AQ, and Dick Orander, KD4ISC
- DXpedition to Ponza Island, by Ruth L. Vano, KB0USC

The QST Cover Plaque award -- given to the author or authors of the best article in each issue -- is determined by a vote of ARRL members on the QST <http://www.arrl.org/cover-plaque-poll> Cover Plaque Poll Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cover-plaque-poll>. Only non-Headquarters staff authors are eligible to receive votes.

==> + DXCC NEWS: DXCC DESK APPROVES 2011 ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ISLAND DXPEDITION

ARRL DXCC Manager Bill Moore, NC1L, reports that the 2011 VU4PB DXpedition to the Andaman and Nicobar Islands <http://www.arsi.info/dxpeditions/vu4pb-mar-2011> has been approved for DXCC credit. If you have any questions about this operation, please send an e-mail <dxcc@arrl.org> to the ARRL DXCC Desk.

==> THIS WEEK ON THE RADIO

This week:

- May 20 -- Feld Hell Sprint
- May 21-22 -- UN DX Contest; Aegean RTTY Contest; His Majesty King of Spain Contest (CW); EU PSK DX Contest; Baltic Contest
- May 25 -- SKCC Sprint
- May 25-26 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

Next week:

- May 27 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- May 28-29 -- CQ WW WPX Contest (CW)
- May 29 -- ARCI Hootowl Sprint (local time)
- May 29-30 -- Michigan QRP Memorial Day CW Sprint
- June 2 -- QRP Minimal Art Session

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more informatin. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- June 3-5 -- ARRL Northwestern Division Convention (SeaPac)
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/northwestern-division-convention-seapac-1>,
Seaside, Oregon; ARRL Wyoming State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/wyoming-state-convention>, Cheyenne,
Wyoming
- June 4 -- ARRL Atlantic Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/atlantic-division-convention-rochester-hamfest-
1>,
Rochester, New York; ARRL East Bay Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/east-bay-section-convention>, Berkeley,
California; ARRL Georgia State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/georgia-state-convention-atlanta-hamfest>,
Marietta, Georgia

- June 10-11 -- ARRL National Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arrl-national-convention-ham-com-2011>,
Plano, Texas
- June 11 -- ARRL Tennessee State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/tennessee-state-convention-1>, Knoxville,
Tennessee
- July 2 -- ARRL Eastern Pennsylvania Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/eastern-pennsylvania-section-convention-firecra
cker-hamfest-1>,
Marysville, Pennsylvania
- July 15-17 -- ARRL Montana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/montana-state-convention-glacier-waterton-inter
national-hamfest>,
Essex, Montana
- July 29-30 -- ARRL Oklahoma State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/oklahoma-state-convention-ham-holiday-2011>,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

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513. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2011-012: Election RAC Ontario South Director

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Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2011-012: Election RAC Ontario South Director
2011-05-14

Congratulations are extended to Mr. Jeffrey Stewart, VA3WXM who was recently elected as the RAC Director for Ontario South for the remainder of a two year term which ends December 31, 2011. Mr. Jeffrey Stewart emerged with the majority vote over Mr. Nelson Jenking, VA3NDJ in a mail ballot closing May 13th for the Ontario South Director's position.

Mr. Stewart has been a certified amateur operator since March 1999 and involved in many aspects of the hobby including a recent term as President of the Mississauga Amateur Radio Club.

Paul Burggraaf VO1PRB
RAC Corporate Secretary

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514. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1762 - May 20 2011

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Date: 2011-05-20 13:14:59 UTC
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Message-ID: <20110520090005.3006133C5F@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4504
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1762 - May 20 2011

The following is a closed circuit and not necessarily for air. With a word from the Support Fund heres our producer, Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF.

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If you look back, you will notice that the last time you heard me soliciting donations was way back in the fall of 2010. Thanks to your generosity last year the need for me to make these announcements was minimal.

We know you prefer to hear the news rather than having to listen to these announcements and we agree. But over the past few months almost all donations have ceased so here we our with our annual spring pitch.

We do our very best to keep operating expenses to a minimum. Everyone involved in the Amateur Radio Newsline is a volunteer. There is no paid staff. More important, all of the monies you donate go only toward operating expenses and in supporting the Young Ham of the Year Award. And for you, your donation is tax deductible.

We even make it very easy to donate. If you have web access all you need to do is take your web browser to www dot arnewsline dot org. Then click on the words "Make A donation" and use your Pay-Pal account or credit card to transfer into ours.

Or you can use the good old method of writing a check and sending it to Amateur Radio Newsline Support Fund, 28197 Robin Avenue, Saugus California 91350.

Either way, we thank you for your kindness. For your support and for your trust.

OK. Time for me to get back to my desk and write the newscast. For the support fund, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF.

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Thanks Bill. Now, Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1762 with a release date of Friday, May 20, 2011 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Ham radio is on alert as the mighty Mississippi reaches flood state; the National Telecommunications and Information Administration says its not sure what spectrum is really in use by those it oversees; church services are being heard on 10 meters in Europe and the doors swing open at the Hara Arena for Hamvention

2011. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1762 coming your way right now.

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RADIO LAW: NTIA ADMITS ITS SPECTRUM AVAILABILITY RESEARCH MAY BE FAULTY

The National Telecommunications and Information Administration better known as the N-T-I-A cannot guarantee that spectrum it oversees is being used efficiently by federal agencies. That was one of the conclusions of a just-released Government Accountability Office study of NTIA's spectrum management. Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP, has more.

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According to the Broadcasting and Cable electronic newsletter, identifying that spectrum has become increasingly important. This, as the FCC and the National Telecommunications and Information Administration try to figure out where and from whom to free up band space for wireless broadband.

The report looked at the NTIA's most recent project which was part of that combined FCC and NTIA search for spectrum that might be available for reallocation to broadband carriers. It founds that agencies whose bandwidth was being evaluated encountered difficulties in providing NTIA with the necessary data and analyses. This is likely because the NTIA's data management system is antiquated and lacks internal controls to ensure the accuracy of agency-reported data. This in turn makes it unclear as to weather decisions regarding actual of federal government spectrum usage is based on reliable data.

As a result, the government's General Accounting Office has recommended that NTIA update its strategic plan and establish better controls to ensure accuracy. The NTIA has agreed to review that strategic plan, and that it will work on the issues of accuracy and completeness of studies to the degree it could afford to. But it added that for budget reasons, it would need to continue to rely on self-reporting by government agencies.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP, reporting from Scottsdale, Arizona.

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The National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) is an agency of the United States Department of Commerce that serves as the President's principal adviser on telecommunications policies pertaining to the United States' economic and technological advancement and to regulation of the telecommunications industry. According to Commerce Secretary Gary Locke, as a historical matter the N-T-I-A does

not police Federal agency spectrum use or Federal agency reporting due to budgetary and resource limitations. (B&C)

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INTRUDER WATCH: CHURCH AUDIO HEARD ON 10 METERS

Illegal broadcasts from at least one church have been heard on 28 dot 265 Mhz by hams in Germany. As a result, amateurs world-wide are being requested to listen on this frequency in order to identify the station and its location. If you hear it, please send your report to Ger McNamara, EIU4GXB. Ger is the IARU Monitoring System Coordinator by e-mail to ei4gxb at gmail dot com.

(GB2RS)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC ISSUES SIX NAL'S FOR UNLICENSED OPERATION

Meantime, back in the USA, the FCC issued no less than six notices involving individuals operating overpowered broadcast stations in the FM band without a license. Five of the Notices of Violation or NAL's were issued in Florida, but it was a unlicensed operation in San Jose California that was hit the hardest. Amateur Radio Newsline's Jeff Clark, K8JAC, is here with the details:

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We start off in Fort Myers Florida. That's where Patrick Michael Ford, also known as Disc Jockey "Joker" was hit with a notice of apparent liability for $10000 for his alleged operation on 95.7 MHz.

Also in Fort Myers, Alex Alcime, also known as Disc Jockey "Short Dawg" was handed a notice of apparent liability for $10000. This after he was also allegedly found operating on 95.7 MHz.

And in Lauderdale Lakes, Florida, Mikhail Rhodd, also known as "Blakk Babi" got his $10,000 N-A-L for operating on 89.5 MHz. The station was calling itself "Stuntastic Radio."

Further south in Miami, Antonio Robinson hit with a $10000 N-A-L for operating a station calling itself Hittbreaker Radio. It was operating on 105.5 MHz.

On Florida's west coast, in St. Petersburg, Thomas L. Morey was also hit with a $10000 Notice of Apparent Liability. The FCC says that he was broadcasting as Thomas on 88.3 MHz,

Finally, some 3000 miles to the West in San Jose CA: Gabriel A. Garcia was hit with a $25,000 N-A-L for operating on numerous frequencies, from numerous San Jose locations, while using the call letters KNRG. The FCC says that when its agents traced a signal on 93.7 MHz to its origin point, a request to inspect the station was denied. According to the FCC on another inspection attempt Garcia not only refused, but

allegedly stated to the agents, "Do you want to get shot?" For all of these reasons the FCC found his violation to be egregious and upped the fine to $25,000.

I'm Jeff Clark, K8JAC.

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All six of the alleged violators were given the usual 30 days to pay the fines or to file appeals. (FCC)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: FCC COMMISSIONER MEREDITH ATTWELL BAKER TO LEAVE FCC JUNE 3RD

Still with FCC news, word that Republican FCC Commissioner Meredith Attwell Baker has announced that she will be leaving her post on June 3rd. Thats 27 days before her term actually was to expire on June 30th.

Baker was nominated by President Obama in June 2009 and sworn in just five weeks later. She filled the unexpired term of fellow Republican and former Chairman Kevin Martin, who resigned in January 2009.

Baker made her announcement on May 12th. At the same time she said that she has accepted a new position with cable giant Comcast as its Senior Vice President of Government Affairs for NBCUniversal division.

Baker's departure creates a Republican vacancy on the Commission. By law, only three sitting Commissioners may be of the same political party. Chairman Julius Genachowski, along with Commissioners Michael Copps and Mignon Clyburn, are Democrats. With Baker's departure Commissioner Robert McDowell will temporarily be the only Republican. (FCC, other published reports)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the Hamvention repeater, W8BI, serving Dayton, Ohio.

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HAM HAPPENINGS: HAMVENTION 2011 SET TO OPEN MAY 20

As we go to air, the doors are opening at the Harra Arena ushering in the 2011 Dayton Hamvention. And while its to early to tell how thick the crowds will be, Assistant General Chairman Josh Long, KD8BVB, says that the events planners are ready for just about an number of attendees or any eventuality that might come their way:

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KD8BVB: "We try our hardest not to affect attendees with security measures, but we do hace the City of Trotwood Police and Fire Departments on-premises the entire show. They actually have their ambulances thre and do a bike patrol of the area.

"We use local security - a merchants security to check the doors and secure the lots in the evenings.

"There is a lot of planning behind the scenes with an event this size. You have to coordinate with local authorities and have meeting places off-site in case of an event that might happen.

"We have been fortunate to not vave to put any of those protocols into place. But they are there and available to keep our attendees and our volunteers safe."

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According to Long, this is the 48th consecutive year that the Hamvention has been held at the Hara Arena in the Dayton suburb of Trotwood. He says that it's the only place in the area that can be a home to an event of this size:

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KD8BVB: "The Dayton Hamvention takes up all six large halls of the complex which is about 124,000 square feet for forums and exhibit spaces. We also use over 350,000 square feet of outdoor lots for our large flea market spaces. So, its truly a unique building for a unique event."

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Long says that in addition to the inside vendors, the flea market and the forums, three very popular sidelights are either returning or expanding this year:

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KD8BVB: "We have some returning crowd-favorites this year including a weather balloon launch that will take place on Saturday. We are also going to have a larger area designated to showcase our emergency communications vehicles in the area and then, of course, we will have our Hamvention T-shirts and swetshirts for sale out in the flea market."

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Long and all the Hamvention planners say that they hope to meet many of you at the Hara Arena from May 20th to the 22nd as they do all they can to make your Hamvention experience one that you will never forget. More on Hamvention 2011 in next weeks Amateur Radio Newsline report.

(ARNewsline(tm) with audio courtesy of the RAINReport)

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RESCUE RADIO: WALTON COUNTY GA. FIREHOUSES GET HAM RADIO

Georgia's Walton County Fire Rescue has teamed up with Walton County Emergency Radio Club and the Amateur Radio Emergency Service to further protect the residents of the area during disasters. This, by installing amateur radio gear in every county firehouse.

Walton County Fire Rescue Chief Mike Moore said he thinks this is a good step for the protection of the citizens by assuring a broad range of emergency response in times of need. He says that this partnership with the local ham community means that radio amateurs can be used to facilitate communication between emergency personnel if the county's radios lose service in the event of natural disaster or tower failure.

Rick Mayson, W1CRM is the Assistant Emergency Coordinator for the Walton County Emergency Radio Club. According to news reports, he has worked closely with fire personnel to have the radios programmed as well as training and licensing for firefighters, law enforcement, and hospital personnel. The club provides training classes twice a month for anyone interested in obtaining an amateur radio license. It also sponsors exam sessions for prospective licensees.

Mayson says that they are also in talks with the Cities of Monroe, Loganville and as Social Circle to have ham gear placed in their fire stations as well. (Loganville-Grayson Patch)

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RESCUE RADIO: NEWS REPORTS SAY JET BLUE TERMINAL AT JFK NYC IS RADIO DEAD ZONE

According to recent news reports, the $743 million Jet Blue Airlines terminal at JFK Airport in New York is a police radio dead zone. One that puts Port Authority police officers in a Ground Zero like communications blackout zone that has already led to a number of police injuries.

Newspaper reports say that the problem was discovered by Port Authority personnel about six months before the terminal opened to the public way back in October 2008. This when officials ran down a checklist of safety issues and realized the radio communications deficiency existed.

A permanent fix will cost an estimated $3 million and is many months away from completion. In the meantime Port Authority police officers assigned to the terminal are reportedly given preprogrammed cellphones at the start of their shifts to call the JFK police command if an emergency crops up.

Port Authority spokesman John Kelly acknowledged cops assigned there were now using backup communication, but maintaines that a temporary system implemented in April of 2010 provides partial coverage for officers to be able to use their police radios. (Published news reports)

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THE DIGITAL DIVIDE: TV OWNERSHIP DECLINES

In what experts are attributing to both the current economic slide and the rise of alternative digital devices, ownership of television sets in the U.S. has dropped for the first time in 20 years.

According to the A.C. Nielsen ratings service, 96.7 percent of American households currently own TVs, down from 98.9 percent. That's a drop of 2.2% in the past two decades.

According to news articles quoting Nielsen, there appear to be two reasons for the decline. The first is purely economic. Simply said, some low-income households no longer own TV sets, most likely because they cannot afford new digital receivers and outdoor antennas. Likely, when their older non-digital sets using converter boxes fail and can no longer be repaired they simply walk away from any form of in-home visual entertainment.

The other is technological know-how among the current generation of younger viewers. There are the pre-teens, teens and young adults who are growing up with laptop computers rather than the traditional television remote control of their parents era. As they reach adulthood they are simply opting not to buy TV sets. Instead, they are watching their television shows and other forms of entertainment streamed live over the Internet. (HD News)

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RADIO EDUCATION: ICOM PRESENTS THE ADVENTURES OF ZACK AND MAX COMIC BOOKS

ICOM America has produced a series of comic books based on amateur radio for youngsters. Titled The Adventures of Zack and Max, the downloadable magazines follow the adventures of the two teen hams with stories designed to provide the reader with some basic information about ham radio, giving a glimpse into its history, its applications, and its relevance in the world today. So far there are six issues of The Adventures of Zack and Max along with matching coloring books for the younger set. Icom also has a Zack and Max art calendar to match the series. All can be downloaded in ready to print pdf file format from the Icom America website at tinyurl.com/hamcomics (WIA News, ArnewslineT)

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HAM RADIO VIDEO: THE LAST BIG FIELD DAY FROM KN4AQ

The Last Big Field Day is a new 41 minute video from Amateur Radio Video News that tells the story of world class Field Day station W3AO that since 1999 has topped the ARRL's Field Day Top 10 list, beating 2nd place by a wide margin. In 2004, the operation listed itself as 50A. That's 50 transmitters, 10 towers a myriad of antennas and something that intrigued film maker Gary Pearce, KN4AQ. So armed with

his video production gear, Gary traveled to the W3AO site to capture the moment and tell the tale to the world.

As Gary tells the story, it took a few years to find the time to get The Last Big Field Day into post production and duplicated. Now, just in time for release at the 2011 Dayton Hamvention the DVD is ready for the world to see. A preview of The Last Big Field Day can be seen on-line at www.youtube.com/kn4aq. More information including an on-line order form are found at www.ARVideoNews.com (KN4AQ)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: PAPERS SOLICITED FOR 2011 ARRL/TAPR DCC

Technical papers are solicited for presentation at the 30th Annual ARRL and Tuscon Amateur Packet Radio Digital Communications Conference to be held September 16th to the 18th in Baltimore, Maryland. Papers will also be published in the Conference Proceedings.

The submission deadline is July 31st. Papers will be published exactly as submitted, and authors will retain all rights. Also, authors do not need to attend the conference to have their papers included in the Proceedings.

Submit papers to via e-mail to maty@arrl.org or via snail mail to Maty Weinberg, KB1EIB, ARRL Headquarters, 225 Main St, Newington, Connecticut, 06111. The ARRL says that it will provide additional information on the 2011 Digital Communications Conference as it becomes available. (ARRL, TAPR)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: 2011 AMSAT-UK SPACE COLLOQUIUM PUTS OUT 2ND CALL FOR SPEAKERS

The 2011 AMSAT-UK Space Colloquium has put out a second call for speakers. This years event will be held Saturday, July 30th and Sunday the 31st at the Holiday Inn, Guildford, in the U-K. Offers by speakers who wish to give talks at this colloquium should be sent to G4DPZ by e-mail yo david.johnson (at) blackpepper (dit) co (dot) uk. (AMSAT)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: ARMAD CELEBRATES THE MILITARY ON MAY 28

Amateur Radio Military Appreciation Day better known as ARMAD will be held this year on May 28th. Thee purpose of the event is to once again honor those that serve in the armed forces, Veterans, military retired and 1st responders.

This years celebration will include a rally in Fort Wayne, Indiana as well as live on the air operations by several amateur radio clubs, and other organizations around the nation. The primary frequencies that

will be used for ARMAD 2011 are 7.260, 14.260, 21.290 and 28.450 MHz. Operations will also be taking place on Echolink node number 106819

Amateur Radio Military Appreciation Day was was founded in 2003 by Emery McClendon, KB9IBW. His interest in organizing military special events came from his four years of service in the US Air Force and two years in the Indiana Air National Guard. In 2008 he was given the Dayton Hamvention Special Achievement Award in recognition of his work in creating and fostering ARMAD.

While primarily a United States event, hams world-wide are invited to take part in Amateur Radio Military Appreciation Day as a way of saluting the brave men and women of the military with messages of thanks and appreciation. More is on-line at www.armad.net. (ARMAD, Southgate)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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RADIO RESEARCH: NEW 40 METER NAVIS BEACON ON THE AIR FROM SOUTH AFRICA

A new 40 meter beacon designed to test NAVIS or Near Vertical Incidence Skywave conditions from South Africa's central Freestate came on the air on Saturday, May 7th. 7 The beacon operates on 7 point 027 MHz running 50 milliwatts to a wire dipole sitting onlt 6 meters above the ground.

The beacon send operates in Morse at 5 words per minute sending the messagev "VVV DE ZS4BOT/B KG30BV." The KG30BV suffix is the Maidenhead Grid locator of the beacons exact position.

For those not familiar with Near Vertical Incidence Skywave, itis a radio wave propagation method that provides usable signals in the range between ground wave and sky wave distances. In most cases that's usually between 50 to 650 kilometers. The radio waves travel upwards into the ionosphere, where they are refracted back down and can be received within a circular region up to 650 km from the transmitter. The best frequencies for NAVISS communications lie between 1 point 8 to 15 MHz.

The ZS4BOT beacon and software was designed and built by Jan Botha, ZS4JAN. Reception reports go by e-mail to wirelesscomms (at) vodamail (dot) co (dot) za (Southgate)

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HAM RADIO ON LINE: NEW CYBERSPACE SDR RADIO CLUB LAUNCHED

A new online Software Defined Radio Club has been launched by U-K amateur Adrian Lane, 2E0SDR. Lane's idea is to create a global community dedicated to the technology of software defined radio. Membership is free with site is being run as a dedicated portal with all members being able to add content. You can find it in cyberspace at www.softwaredefinedradio.co.uk. (GB2RS)

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: MAKING GREEN LED'S MORE EFFICIENT

Researchers at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute has lead to the development of a new method for manufacturing green-colored Light Emitting Diodes with greatly enhanced output.

The research team, led by Physics Professor Christian Wetzel began by etching a nano-scale pattern at the interface between the LED's sapphire base and the layer of Gallium Nitride. The latter is what gives the LED its green color. This new technique results in green LED's with significant enhancements in light extraction, internal efficiency, and light output. This discovery brings Wetzel and his team one step closer to the goal of developing a high performance, low-cost green Light Emitting Diodes.

Results of the study were published recently in the journal Applied Physics Letters, and are featured in the April 25th issue of the Virtual Journal of Nanoscale Science & Technology. The latter is published by the American Institute of Physics and the American Physical Society. (Science OnLine)

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: HUMAN MOVEMENT COULD REPLACE BATTERIES

Powering your hand held radio or other electronic device that converts movement into power could be on the horizon. This as a team of researchers in New Zealand say that they are trying to develop what they call wearable energy harvesters" capable of converting movement from humans or found in nature into battery power.

According to Science Daily, the new technology is based on a class of variable capacitor generators known as dielectric elastomer generators ot D-E-G's. The scientific investigations currently underway say that these devices shows great potential for wearable energy harvesting. In fact, researchers at the Auckland Bioengineering Institute's Biomimetics Lab believe D-E-G's may enable the creation of light weight, form-fitting, and silent energy harvesters with excellent mechanical properties that match human muscle.

The findings are described in the American Institute of Physics' journal Applied Physics Letters. More on this emerging new technology

is on-line at tinyurl.com/3vfsyry. (Science Daily)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: DARA CREATES MATCHING FUND FOR AMSAT

The Dayton Amateur Radio Association has announced a fundraising challenge for AMSAT whereby they will match on a 1 to 3 basis, up to $5,000 for donations made in 2011. That is, for every $3.00 that AMSAT raises, DARA will provide $1.00 up to the $5000 maximum.

In a statement made at the time of the announcement, AMSAT says that it appreciates the Dayton Amateur Radio Association's support. It also sees this as an opportunity for donors to increase the impact of their donations by taking advantage of this matching program. (AMSAT, DARA)

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In DX, the Intrepid-DX Group and the DX Friends plan to activate the Southern Sudan as new country on or after July 9th. At airtime members of the two groups report that they are in consultation with representatives of the new Southern Sudan Government, the International Telecommunications Union and the International Amateur Radio Union working omn making arrangements. More on this proposed operation will be posted on-line at www dot dxfriends dot com stroke SouthernSudan2011

F4EGS will be active as TT8PK from Chad until June 15th. He will be on the air only as time permits. QSL via F4EGS either direct or via the bureau.

The DXColombia Amateur Radio Club has announced that it plans to conduct a DXpedition to Malpelo Island next year. Using the special call HK0NA, issued by the Colombian Ministry the group hopes to activate Malpelo during the first quarter of 2012. Operation will be on 160 through 6 meters including the 30, 17 and 12 bands using CW, SSB and RTTY. Plans call for at least 3 stations to be on the air at the same time on different bands and using different modes. More details will be announced as they are made available.

The Pacific-DXers' web page is reporting that the C21A DXpedition to Nauru will take place between November 13th and December 7th. Operations will be led by VK4FW with liaison support by VK4AN. They expect to have 6 operators and 3 stations active on all bands 160 through 6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSLing will be handled direct by the Pacific DXers. More is on-line at pacific-dxers dot com.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: WSM TRANSMITTER SITE ADDED TO NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES

And finally this week, while many communities are trying to do away with any form of radio towers, one is now an official part of American history. This with word that the legendary 30-acre WSM transmitter site and 808-foot diamond shaped Blau-Knox tower in Nashville, Tennessee has been added to the National Register of Historic Places on April 14th. Michael Grebert, KJ4ZZV, is here with the details:

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According to an article in Artist Direct, the WSM transmitter site was recognized by the National Park Service for its association with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history. It was also recognized for its distinctive characteristics of a type, period or method of construction.

Erected in 1932 by the Blaw-Knox Steel Co., the distinctive, diamond-shaped tower enabled the 50,000-watt station to reach out to 38 states and Canada as a federally-designated clear channel station. This immense coverage area was one of the key factors for the success of its flagship program known the world over as the Grand Ole Opry.

Today, WSM's tower remains the tallest and oldest of the unique Blaw-Knox structures. Originally the tower was 878 feet tall, but by 1939, it was discovered that it was electrically too long, due to the velocity factor effect. This resulted in a high angle of radiation, and with that, both groundwave and skywave cancellation of the stations signal some 120 miles away. The tower was then shortened to its current height.

Other surviving Blaw-Knox towers in the United States are those used by WCAU in Philadelphia; WLW in Cincinnati; WFEA in Manchester New Hampshire; WBT near Charlotte, North Carolina and New York City's WADO.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Michael Grebert, KJ4ZZV, reporting from the home of the WSM Blau-Knox tower here in Music City, Nashville, Tennessee.

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Several Blau-Knox towers were also erected in Europe before company abandoned of the radio tower business way back in 1958. And from an aesthetic point of view, they have to be the prettiest looking radio transmission structures ever built. (Wheatstone Blog via KB4KCH)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB, the Southgate News and Australia's WIA News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is Newsline (at)

arnewsline (dot) org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California, 91350

And a reminder that the nominating period for the year 2011 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award is now open. Created by Newsline back in 1986, this award is offered to recognize one young United States or Canadian radio amateur age 18 or younger for his or her contributions to society through Amateur Radio.

As in years past, the 2011 recipient will receive an expense paid trip to the Huntsville Hamfest in Huntsville Alabama courtesy of Vertex-Standard Corporation which produces Yaesu brand amateur radio gear. Vertex-Standard will also present this years winner with a special ham radio related gift. CQ Magazine will again treat the recipient to a week at Spacecamp-Huntsville. We at Amateur Radio Newsline will present the winner with a plaque honoring his or her achievements.

All nominations and materials required by the official rules must be received by ARNewsline before June 30, 2011. A downloadable nominating form is at our website at www.arnewsline.org. A nominating form can also be obtained by sending a request along with a self addressed stamped envelope to the Young Ham of the Year Award in care of Amateur Radio Newsline, Inc. 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California 91350.

Again, the cutoff date for these years Young Ham of the Year Award nominations is June 30th. We ask you to do your part by nominating a young ham who has done something special related to ham radio. The nomination form is at www dot arnewsline dot org.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 22nd May 2011

The news headlines:

* RSGB AGM information
* National Club of the Year winners
* Latest 6 and 10 report available

More than 100 RSGB Members and interested parties were at the RSGB AGM in Derby last weekend. As well as the formal business of the AGM, visitors took part in a full day of discussions about the RSGB and amateur radio. The Board has determined that fundamental changes are needed in the way the Society operates and received a number of practical comments on the proposed way ahead. A full report of the AGM appears in the June RadCom, which should arrive with Members before the end of the month.

Also at the RSGB AGM, the winners of the National Club of the Year were announced. The annual competition is sponsored by Waters and Stanton plc. In third place, Bolton Wireless Club received a certificate and £250 prize money; second place went to Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club who also received a certificate plus a cheque for £500. First place went to Reading & District Amateur Radio Club, who received the trophy, a certificate and a cheque for £1000. Prizes were presented by RSGB President, Dave Wilson, M0OBW. The 2011 competition will be open for nominations later this year.

The Six and Ten Reporting Club is an informal group of radio amateurs. They are mostly from the UK and interested in propagation studies at frequencies around the HF to VHF boundary, mainly the 6 and 10 metre amateur bands. The club produces the Six and Ten Report, a monthly newsletter, that includes analysis of 28MHz propagation based on beacon monitoring and analysis of 50MHz activity reports as well as results of on-going experiments. The latest report from Martin Harrison, G3USF and the 6 and 10 reporting club has been published and it is available at http://g7kse.co.uk/6and10.

The International Amateur Radio Union Region 1 Conference takes place in Sun City, South Africa in August. The papers to be discussed at the conference are now available online from the IARU Region 1 website. They can be downloaded from www.iaru-r1.org.

The 21st annual Waters and Stanton Open Day will take place on Sunday, 29 May. Yaesu, Icom and Kenwood will be in attendance as will bhi.

There will also be an RSGB bookstall. Essex CW Club, who won the Region 12 Club of the Year award will collect their trophy from Waters & Stanton who sponsor both the Region 12 trophy and the national trophy scheme. A prize raffle in aid of Marie Cure Cancer Care, supported by W&S and their suppliers, will take place on the day.

Glasgow and Clyde RAYNET Group will be active on the Island of Jura, which is IOTA reference EU008, from 26 May to 2 June. The group is providing emergency safety communications for the annual Fell Race on the 28th. They will also be activating the island on all HF bands using group callsign GS0RAY/P throughout the week. Reports are most welcome. For further details please contact group controller, Paul Lucas, on 07768 271736 or by email to mm3ddq@yahoo.co.uk.

The Deutsche Amateur Radio Club is sponsoring an award to celebrate the 2011 Women's Football World Cup. Both licensed amateur radio operators and short wave listeners can apply for this award. Between 1 June and 31 July, the special station DL0YLWM and YL district stations will be on the air. You need to log the appropriate number of German YL stations to apply for any one of four awards. Full details at www.darc.ce, search on the website for DL0YLWM.

The 2011 International Museums Weekend special event will take place on 18 and 19 June as well as 25 and 26 June. Anyone planning to take part should register their museum via e-mail to harry.m1byt@tiscali.co.uk. Full details of the event can be found on the International Museums Weekend website at www.ukradioamateur.co.uk/imw.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

The 1st Leicester RS Grand Clearance and Bring & Buy will be held today, 22 May, at the Leicester Radio Society HQ in Groby Road, Leicester. There is approximately £2000 of donated radio equipment for disposal as well as a Bring & Buy. Doors open 10am to 4pm. Details of equipment available and further details from Alex on 0753 120 1640.

Also today, 22 May, the Dunstable Downs Radio Club National Amateur Radio Car Boot Sale will be held at Stockwood Park, Luton LU1 5NR. Talk in will be on S22 and there is plenty of car parking. Doors open at 9am and entry is £2.

Due to unforeseen circumstances, the Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club Rally and Boot Sale due to take place today, 22 May, has been cancelled. The organisers would like to thanks everyone for their support and hope to see everyone at next year's event.

D-Star Northants and UKIT are organising a D-Star Meet and Greet Day on Sunday 29 May. This will be held in Northampton at Tetra Communications, Bunting Road, Northampton NN2 6EE. The event will include help and advice from D-Star Northants and UK IT. Visitors to the event will also have the opportunity to visit Tetra Communications warehouse that will be open for the duration of the event. Now for the

news of special events

Castles and stately homes on air will take place on the 21st and 22nd of the month. Information can be found at www.cashota.co.uk.

GB1LC will be active on the evening of the 24th for the 1st Laindon Cubs who will be gaining their communicator badge. Activity will be on 2m and HF. Special QSL cards designed by the cubs will be available for all contacts. For further info please contact G1KOT.

The Royal Naval Amateur Radio Society will run a GB6COD at the open day in HMS Collingwood on 4 June. The station will be operational on all amateur bands from 1.8MHz to 440MHz. The Society headquarters station will be open for viewing from 9.30am to 6pm on the day. Advanced tickets will be available from Gosport and Fareham Tourist Information Offices and Portsmouth News Offices from May 2011.

GB0VUL will be on the air promoting and celebrating the continued flying of XH558, the world's only airworthy Vulcan bomber. The station will be on the air over the bank holiday weekend of 28 and 29 May, from the Air Training Corps Hall in Newbury. This is the 3rd consecutive year this call has been run by members of Newbury and District Amateur Radio Society. More information can be found at www.vulcantothesky.org.

The Geoparks Communication Weekend will take place over the weekend 28 and 29 May. GB6GEO will be on again this year from Occombe Farm in Torbay. There will be several other Geopark stations operating around the world. There is an award available for contacting Geopark stations. More information on qrz.com.

As part of the Imagineering stand at the Bath and West Show, Weymouth College are putting on a special event station to demonstrate amateur radio to visitors. The idea is to particularly allow young people to send greetings via the HF special event station GB0BAW. If there are any local amateurs who are planning on visiting the show and would like to help operate the station that will be on the air for the duration of the agricultural show between 1 and 4 June, please contact Rob, G0ECX whose details are on QRZ.com, or telephone on 01305 787120.

And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

>From 22 to 28 May, Japanese operators JA7HMZ, JA7AGO and JA7ZP are heading to Pohnpei, Micronesia, which is IOTA reference OC-010, for activity as V63DX, V63GO and V63ZP respectively. They will be on all bands and modes. QSL via their home callsigns.

TM0Z will be active from Batz Island, which is IOTA reference EU-105, until 26 May. They will operate SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK on 6 to 80m with at least four stations. QSL via F5EOT either direct or via the bureau.

Laci, HA0HW will be active again as SV8/HA0HW from Thassos Island, which is IOTA reference EU-174 from 26 May to 5 June. He will operate on the HF bands and 6 metres. QSL via his home callsign preferably

through the bureau. Henry, TJ3AY has been issued special callsign TJ3IC to be used until 30 May to commemorate the 51st anniversary of the independence of Cameroon. QSL via F5LGE.

Sam, K0YAK is based at the US Embassy in Kathmandu, Nepal and is active as 9N7AK during his spare time. It is expected that he will be there until early July. He is using SSB and PSK31 on 10 to 20m and QSLs should go via his home callsign.

Three Czech Republic operators will be on the Island of Crete until 28 May and will sign SV9/homecall/P from the main island, which is IOTA EU- 015. They also plan a few side trips to offshore islands, which will count as IOTA EU-187.

K6VVA and NI6T will be on the air as K6VVA/6 from Santa Catalina Island. They plan to work mainly in CW on 15 to 40m from 24 to 26 May. QSL via N6AWD either via the bureau or direct.

Now the contest news

Tuesday 24 May sees the 50MHz UK Activity Contest taking place between 1900 and 2130UTC. Using all modes, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

On the same evening, the SHF UK Activity Contest also takes place between 1900 and 2130UTC. Using the 1.3 to 10GHz bands, all modes, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The CQWW WPX CW Contest takes place for the whole 48 hours of the weekend of 28 and 29 May. This is a follow-on event from the SSB leg held at the end of March. Expect the CW segments of the bands to be packed and some pretty big serial numbers to be handed out by the end, especially if propagation on the upper HF bands is favourable. Using the 1.8 to 28MHz bands, the exchange is signal report and serial number

On 29 May from 1000 to 1200UTC the 3rd 70MHz Cumulative contest takes place. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

Finally for this week, on 31 May, the 70MHz UK Activity Contest takes place from 1900 to 2130UTC. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator. And now the solar factual data for the period from the 9th to the 15th of May, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on the 16th of May.

Sunspots groups were visible every day; all were small and most were quiet and stable. Solar activity was mostly very low, however, activity increased to low on the 9th, 12th and the 15th when small C class solar flares took place. These had little effect on propagation. Solar flux levels declined from 104 units on the 9th to 91 by the 14th. This is the lowest daily figure since the middle of March. The average was 95 units. The lower flux levels slowed the rate of increase on the 90 day solar flux average, which remained at the same level as last week at

110 units. X-ray flux levels declined slightly from B2.9 units on the 9th to B1.1 by the 14th. The average was B1.6 units. Geomagnetic activity was quiet every day, but only just on some days, for example the Ap index was at 8 units on the 10th and 11 on the 15th. The average was Ap 6 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds decline from 410 kilometres per second on the 10th to 290 by the 14th. Speeds then increased to 590 kilometres per second on the 15th. Particle densities were low every day except for the 19th which increased briefly to 25 particles per cubic centimetre. Bz on the quiet days varied between minus 2 and plus 4 nanoTeslas and between minus 9 and plus 11 nanoTeslas during the 14th.

F-layer propagation was up to predicted values. Also strong Sporadic-E openings within Europe were reported on a daily basis on 28 and 50MHz. Some areas also had 6 metre propagation to West Africa. Brief openings were reported on 70MHz.

And now the solar forecast. This week solar activity is expected to be at very low levels. The recent spell of increased levels of activity that started back in February seems to have come to an end. Of course, the emergence of a new active region could take place and with it activity could increase but for now that seems unlikely but not totally ruled out. Solar flux levels are expected to be around the 100 mark. Geomagnetic activity should start at quiet levels but by midweek activity is expected to increase due to a recurring coronal hole and last until the weekend. On its last rotation the disturbance lasted 5 days. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 22MHz for the south and 19MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows are expected to be about 11MHz. Paths this week to India should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 22MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 17MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 1000 and 1600 hours. Sporadic-E should take place on some days with opening up to 50MHz and maybe higher on the more intense openings.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your

transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS We start with advance news of a weekend Foundation course by M0OCT ARS. The event will be near Chesterfield on 11 and 12 June. There are plenty of places available at the moment but

booking is essential. For more information contact M0OCT ARS on 01246 275889 or online at www.m0oct.com.

Chorley and District Radio Society has announced that it has a new website up and running. It is at www.radioclubs.net/chorleyamateurradiosociety and the club thanks the RSGB for providing the web hosting facility.

On Sunday 22 May Lincoln Short-Wave Club is taking part in the 144MHz Post Codes Contest at the portable site. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

On Monday 23 May Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is having a VHF operating and workshop evening. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548478, daytime.

On Monday 23 May South Birmingham Radio Society is planning for the VHF field day site and aerials. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Monday 23 May South Normanton Alfreton & District Amateur Radio Club is at Crich. Details from A Lawrence, 2E0BQS, by email to adylawri@btinternet.com.

On Monday 23 May Stratford Upon Avon District Radio Society is holding its AGM & surplus sale. Contact G0CHO, on 01608 664488.

On Tuesday 24 May Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on the Cromford canal by Patrick Morriss. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 24 May Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on software defined radio by John, M0JAV. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Tuesday 24 May Worcester Radio Amateurs Association is having a shack clean out and tidy up. For more information email Rich Moles, 2E0MOL, via secretary@m0zoo.co.uk.

On Wednesday 25 May Hinckley Amateur Radio Society is preparing for Field Day. Details from John, M0JAV, on 07836 731544. On Wednesday 25 May Lincoln Short-Wave Club is having a talk on the workings of the QSL Bureau by Richard Constantine. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

On Wednesday 25 May Midland Amateur Radio Society is holding training classes and examining laptop computers. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 01214 229 787.

On Wednesday 25 May Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a 2m DF hunt. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday 26 May Salop Amateur Radio Society is holding a fox hunt. Details on the club website at www.salop-ars.org.uk.

On Thursday 26 May South Birmingham Radio Society is having training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Thursday 26 May Burnley & District Amateur Radio Club is hosting a visit by RSGB President Dave Wilson and North West Regional Manager Kath Wilson. All local radio amateurs are welcome. The Club meets from 7.30pm at Higham Village Hall, Higham Hall Road, Higham BB12 9EU. More information from Vincent Greatwood, 2E0HRD, on 01729 840312.

On Friday 27 May Bromsgrove & District Amateur Radio Club is having an HF night. Contact Chris, M0BQE on 01905 776 869.

On Friday 27 May Coventry Amateur Radio Society has a radio workshop evening. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777363.

On Friday 27 May Nunsfield House Amateur Radio Group is planning its forthcoming programme. Details from Ken Frankcom, G3OCA, on 01332 720976.

On Friday 27 May South Birmingham Radio Society is having a construction evening. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Saturday 28 May Lincoln Short-Wave Club is in the Shack and running GB2CWF at Ellis Mill for Mills OTA. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND On Monday 23 May Angel of the North Amateur Radio is on the air and having a natter night. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 0191 477 0036.

On Monday 23 May Bolton Wireless Club is holding a 2m DF event starting from the Britannia Hotel. For details, send an email to boltonwireless@gmail.com.

On Monday 23 May Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having a pre-course Foundation taster evening plus a talk on the Windom and Inverted L antennas by Peter, G3PHO. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk. On Monday 23 May South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is holding a technical forum. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 0161 969 3999.

On Monday 23 May Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on spy radio by John, G8RDP. Details on the web at www.tcars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 24 May Chester & District Amateur Radio Society is conducting radio operations at Waverton Institute. Details from Barbara Green on 07957 870770.

On Tuesday 24 May Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is having a /P evening. Member and guests should check www.hadars.org.uk for venue details before travelling. Contact Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341317 for more information.

On Wednesday 25 May Hambleton Amateur Radio Society is having an operating night. More information from Tony Wilson, G3MAE, on 01609 881530.

On Wednesday 25 May Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on Clansman radio by G8YQN. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240573.

On Thursday 26 May Grimsby Amateur Radio Society is holding a junk sale. Contact Cliff, G4YHP, on 01472 328 830.

On Thursday 26 May Keighley Amateur Radio Society is conducting RAYNET Training. More information from Shirley, M6SAK, on 01535 65278.

On Thursday 26 May South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is holding its AGM. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 0161 969 3999.

On Thursday 26 May Wakefield & District Radio Society is having a talk by Geoff, G0PFH. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563117.

On Friday 27 May East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is having a radio components catalogues evening. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Saturday 28 May Wakefield & District Radio Society continues its Foundation, Intermediate and Advanced courses. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563117.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND On Monday 23 May Greenisland Electronics Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on HF propagation and solar cycle 24. Details from Peter Lowrie, MI5JYK, by email to mi5jyk@rsgb.org.uk.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday 24 May Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is holding Morse code practice. Details from Norman, on 07740 946192.

On Wednesday 25 May Glenrothes & DRC is having a talk by Dave Francis, MM0DYX, on transformers from the junk box and how to test them safely. Details from Dave Francis, on 01383 823878.

On Wednesday 25 May Lothians Radio Society is having a DF Hunt with Peter Dick, GM4DTH. Contact Andy Sinclair, by email to secretary@lothiansradiosociety.com.

On Wednesday 25 May West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society has Solder Group homebrew projects & licence training. More information from Fred Coombes, 2M0BIN, on 01415 715512.

On Thursday 26 May Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is having a talk. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663.

On Friday 27 May West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society is having presentations, guest speakers, a quiz and a raffle. More information from Fred Coombes, 2M0BIN, on 01415 715512.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA On Sunday 22 May Bedford and District Amateur Radio Club will be putting on its mobile operation at the Dunstable Downs Radio Club boot sale. Details from Bob Leask, G3XNG, by email to g4ceotalk21.com.

On Sunday 22 May Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society is at the Dunstable Downs boot sale. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 020 8502 1645.

On Monday 23 May East Kent Radio Society is having an introduction to frequency selective surfaces by Paul, G0ILO. Details from Karl Davies, M1DFM, on 01227 710120.

On Monday 23 May Surrey Radio Contact Club is having a fix-it, advice, chin wag and move-it-on evening. Contact John, G3MCX, on 020 8688 3322.

On Tuesday 24 May Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720815.

On Tuesday 24 May Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is having a club net night. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Tuesday 24 May Dorking & District Radio Society is having a personal challenge evening with David Smith ,M0SXD. Contact Garth, G3NPC, on 01737 359472.

On Tuesday 24 May Harwell Amateur Radio Society is having a shack activity night. Contact Malcolm, G8NRP, on 01235 524844. On Wednesday 25 May Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is looking at getting started on the air, with particular emphasis on computer interfacing & CW practice. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday 25 May Hastings Electronics and Radio Club is having a construction evening. Details from Gordon, on 01424 431 909.

On Wednesday 25 May Havering & District Amateur Radio Club is having an informal evening. More information from John, M0UKD, on 07890 222111.

On Wednesday 25 May Norfolk Amateur Radio Club Norfolk Repeater Group is holding the AGM for GB3NB and GB7NB. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898678.

On Wednesday 25 May Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club Dayton is having a report on Hamvention 2011 by Phil, G4UDU. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816684.

On Thursday 26 May Bittern DX Group is meeting at Pinewood Park. Details from Linda, G0AJJ, on 01692 404154.

On Thursday 26 May Echelford Amateur Radio Society is having a bring & buy, CW practice, a natter night and details of the forthcoming field day activities by Olof, G0CKV. Contact John, G4GSC, on 01784 451898.

On Thursday 26 May Edgware & District Radio Society is holding its Constructors Cup competition. More information from Mike, G4RNW, on 0208 950 0658.

On Thursday 26 May King's Lynn Amateur Radio Club is having a club night and 2m club net. Contact Ray, G3RSV, by email to ral-g3rsv@supanet.com.

On Thursday 26 May Reading & District Amateur Radio Club is having a son et lumi&#65533;re by Dr Graeme Creasey. Details from Pete, G8FRC, on 01189 695 697.

On Thursday 26 May Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on Clansman military radio by Don, G4LOO. Details from David, G8UOD, on 01234 742 757.

On Friday 27 May Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on kite and pole photography by Clive, M5CHH. Contact Ron, G3KBR, on 01223 501712.

On Friday 27 May Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on trams by Ian Gledhill. Contact Peter, G4AKG, on 01444 239371.

On Friday 27 May Wimbledon & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on developments at the Valve Museum and demonstration of Audio Amplifiers by Allan Wyatt. Contact Andrew Maish, G4ADM, on 020 8335 3434.

On Sunday 29 May Coalhouse Fort Amateur Radio Society is holding an open day. Contact John Parker, M1DUC, by email to coalhouserad1o@yahoo.com.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST On Monday 23 May Exeter Amateur Radio Society is having a club night and CW practice. More information from Nick, on 01363 775756.

On Tuesday 24 May Blackmoor Vale Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. Contact Tony, G0GFL, on 01258 860741.

On Tuesday 24 May West Devon RC General is having a natter night and open evening with tea and biccies. Further information from Jules Cuddy, M1AGY, on 01752 291588.

On Wednesday 25 May Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417048.

On Thursday 26 May South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695471.

On Thursday 26 May Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its AGM. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317750.

On Thursday 26 May Yeovil Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk.

On Friday 27 May North Bristol Amateur Radio Club is inspecting and repairing its antennas. More information from Dick on 01454 218362.

On Friday 27 May Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a 90/10 auction night. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to

g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

On Saturday 28 May Torbay Amateur Radio Society commences its weekend event running Geo Parks special event station GB6GEO from caves in Torbay. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES On Monday 23 May Llanelli Amateur Radio Society is holding a junk sale & club raffle. Contact Craig, MW0MXT, on 01269 840292.

516. SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 22 MAY 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-21 19:00:12 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <20110521190005.93C4E33C6C@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4506
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 22 MAY 2011

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'ARMI' and follow the links for details. PLEASE NOTE: for audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail. Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 and 3,695 MHz SSB.

In the news today:

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting news items.

SOUTH AFRICA TO SUPPORT ALLOCATION AROUND 500 kHz

At the National Preparatory Working Group Meeting for the World Radio Conference 2012 held in Pretoria this week Hans van de Groenendaal, ZS6AKV, presented the SARL and IARU recommendation that method A, to satisfy Agenda item 1.23, be accepted as South Africa's position. Resolution 1.23 calls for the consideration of an allocation of 15 kHz in parts of the band 415 - 526,5 kHz to the amateur service on a secondary basis, taking into account the need to protect existing services.

Method A proposes a secondary allocation of up to 15 kHz to the amateur radio service on a world-wide basis between 472 and 487 kHz. A representative from the CAA pointed out that many non-directional beacons are operating in this band although according to ICASA only some are licensed and not in the proposed amateur allocation. He said that should the allocation be agreed to at the WRC12, these beacons could move to different frequencies.

It was agreed to take the recommendation to the SADC WRC12 meeting to be held in Botswana next week and, if accepted, will be tabled at the ATU meeting next month where it hopefully will receive their support for it to become an African block position.

The SARL is involved in the WRC12 National Preparatory Working Group to keep a watch over other agenda items that may have an impact on Amateur Radio and keeping the group informed about the IARU position on Agenda

items.

For a copy of the SARL recommendation visit www.sarl.org.za and select the members' only pages.

BOB HEIL, K9EID, TO HEADLINE NEW INTERNET SHOW

On Tuesday, May 24, Bob Heil, K9EID - well known for his design of microphones - will premier a new net cast show on Leo Laporte's TwiT.tv website. Called HamNation, the show will focus on equipment, applications, tips and general information for Radio Amateurs. Heil's first guest will be rock star friend and fellow radio amateur Joe Walsh, WB6ACU. Walsh also wrote the theme music for the show. The show will be broadcast each week over the Internet at TWiT.tv at no cost. TWiT.tv is also available in iTunes. "I have been a fan of Leo's for a long time and recently appeared on his Triangulation 8 show," Heil explained. "We had a blast, and much to my delight, he asked me to develop a show for and about ham radio. Since the early 1900s, much of the ham radio operators' focus has been on building and experimenting with their equipment. Many of today's radios are computer controlled, thus attracting new users to the hobby. Even in this day of instant Internet communications, ham radio is still the premier communication link, whether it's for storm spotters or talking to your friends around the globe. This new TWiT.tv show will bring the existing and new users together." More about the show in next week's SARLNEWS.

RADIO TECHNOLOGY IN ACTION HEADS FOR PE ON JUNE 4

The SARL Radio Technology in Action Symposium heads for Port Elizabeth on 4 June. It will be held on the NMMU south campus and is presented in co-operation with PEARS, the Port Elizabeth Amateur Radio Society. In the hi-tech slot of the programme John Willescroft, ZS6EF, will talk about Field Programmable Gate Arrays (to include an audio clip in your bulletin download it from www.amateurradio.org.za/FGPA.mp3). The full programme is available on www.sarl.org.za select RTA from the left hand menu.

1912 THE EVENT - COMMEMORATIVE STATION VK5MGY

The following from WIANEWS:

The Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society was approached by a group named "1912 the Event" to provide a CW operator for a commemorative station. This group is commemorating the 100th anniversary of the sinking of the Titanic in April 1912.

The Club have obtained the call VK5MGY from the ACMA. MGY was the call of the Titanic. The call will be in use for the next 12 months and we will produce a QSL card for contacts.

Keep your ear out for VK5MGY on the bands for the next 12 months.

Check out the event web site 1912theevent.com.

>From the SARL news editor: Interesting, the detector of the receiver on the Carpathia, by which the emergency call from the Titanic was received, was in the Telkom museum when the museum was still in Pretoria. We trust that it is still well looked after.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is at low levels. Sunspot 1 208 turned away from Earth on the 18th, carried over the western edge of the solar disk by the sun's 27-day rotation. En route to the far side, the active region delivered a parting shot. The May 18th eruption was followed by another on May 19th; both hurled CMEs into space. The clouds will sail wide of Earth, continuing the recent spell of relatively quiet space weather around our planet. There is currently no chance for strong solar flares around any of the currently visible sunspot regions. For the people doing their own frequency predictions the expected effective sunspot number for the week is about 30.

15 m will provide the best opportunities for DX followed by 20 and 30 m and the WARC bands in-between, of course.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

18 to 22 May - Follow Dayton Hamvention via W5KUB.com. 22 May -ZS4 Sprint from 14:00 till 15:00 UTC. 25 May - Closing date for nominations for NSN awards, visit www.amateurradio.org.za. 25 May - 3rd SARL 80 m Club contest 17:30 to 18:30 UTC. 4 June - RTA in Port Elizabeth at NMMU south campus. 18 June - Programming in Windows course in Gauteng. Book at www.sarl.org.za.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 750 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'ARMI' and follow the links. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 18:30 CAT on 3 230 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by Gustav, ZS6BWN.

Thank you for listening, 73.
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========== Message Ends ========== To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to

www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp

517. NZART Headquarters Infoline Issue 230

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-22 05:48:56 UTC
From: jamiepye <jamie.pye@pyenet.co.nz>
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*Housekeeping
*Attachment for Infoline Branches Subscribers: infoline-230.doc

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>From The Business Manager ZL2DL
Debby says...
Sorry folks, not sure what or how it happened but the full annual QSL Bureau report was omitted in Break In. The complete report is shown below.

I have also received notification that SMART along with other Ministry of Economic Development web sites were unavailable on Thursday 19th May. If you were searching for a call sign you will not have been able to access any information. Rumour has it, that it had something to do with the Government's announcement of the budget! Hmmm, scary.

2011 annual conference to be held in Upper Hutt, is now only two weeks away. If you would like your apologies noted at the AGM please let me know ASAP. Also if your branch does not have a delegate attending and you wish your branch votes to be counted, send me results and I will arrange for a proxy. I do need to know how many were actually in attendance at your branch when voting and how many for/against the remits. There are thirteen in total so quite a few to consider, and more importantly your opportunity to have a say.

Talk soon...Debby ZL2DL

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NZART QSL Bureau: Annual Report for 2010
Incoming Mail
DX: Packages/envelopes - 176, Cards - 33,218

ZL: Packages/envelopes - 436, Cards - 23,956

Outgoing Mail
DX: Envelopes 431 (Cards - 23,382)

ZL1 Bureau: Forty kilogrammes of QSL Cards.

ZL2 Bureau: Thirty Six kilogrammes of QSL Cards.

ZL3 Bureau: Thirteen kilogrammes of QSL Cards.

ZL4 Bureau: Twelve kilogrammes of QSL Cards.

ZL7T: Four & a Half Kilogrammes of QSL Cards (Privately funded postage)

The NZART QSL Bureau's gross expenditure for this past financial year was $1,539.97, an increase of $215.69 on the year ending 2009. The nett cost to the Association was $1105.98 as against $900.98 for the previous year. Donations ($424.95) and Non-Member Fees ($10.00) made up the balance of the running costs of the Bureau for the year under review.

The Association's sincere thanks go to those of its members who, from time to time, saw fit to enclose a donation with their QSL cards. Their generosity has helped to keep down the Associations day to day running expenses.

Year 2010 saw an increase of four per cent in numbers of cards sent out by ZL operators whilst there was a two per cent decrease in the number of incoming cards from overseas amateurs,

During the past year, the NZ Post Office increased its postal charges partly due to the Government's decision to ramp up GST by 2 1/2%. This provided a windfall to the PO as it needed to round up its prices for stamps but despite this, the postage for large envelopes used for mailing QSL Cards to the ZL3/ZL4 Sub-bureaux suffered an increase of 20%! Over-all, there was a minimal inflationary effect on the Bureau expenses.

During the year Ross, ZL1BGB, assumed the position of ZL]-Prefix Sub-bureau Manager following the untimely passing of Ian ZL1BFB. The mailing details for the ZL1~Prefix Sub~bureau remain unchanged.

My thanks go to our four Sub-Bureaux managers, namely Dave ZL4OZ, Charlie ZL3CED and Ken ZL4HU, Tony ZL2AGY and Ross ZL1BGB, who attended to the stuffing of envelopes for all of the deserving during 2010.

B. E. Stewart ZL2RR, Manager

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FMTAG Notes For HQ Infoline-230
Please click HERE to go to the FMTAG Applications Being Processed

Additional simplex channels have been requested for D-STAR, P25, and similar modes (Narrowband data calling channels, 16 kHz bandwidth or less).

The following frequencies appear to be satisfactory:

146.600 MHz 147.400 MHz 147.450 MHz 147.550 MHz

The following comments are invited from members:
(a) which frequencies are suitable?
(b) which frequencies are unsuitable, and the reason why they are unsuitable?

Proposals
1.. That 146.600 MHz, 147.400 MHz, 147.450 MHz and 147.550 MHz be added to the Bandplan on page 7-16 of the current Call Book, with the following label: Narrow digital mode simplex of up to 16 kHz bandwidth (including D-STAR, P25 and other similar narrow band digital modes)
Final Recommendations to NZART Council
1.. Branch 63 Upper Hutt has applied to add the D-STAR DV digital mode to, and change the location of, its Mount Climie 860 repeater. The new location will be Topo50 map reference BP32 798.83 423.94. An Engineering Evaluation, in accordance with the MED's Radio Licence Certification Rules (PIB38), shows that the repeater's transmit frequency can remain on 438.600 MHz and the receive frequency can remain on 433.600 MHz, and that there will be no interference to other stations.
2.. Branch 74 Wellington VHF has applied to increase the power of, and add the P25 digital mode to its 6625 repeater located at Hawkins Hill, Topo50 map reference BQ31 449.78 236.89. An Engineering Evaluation, in accordance with the MED's Radio Licence Certification Rules (PIB38), shows that the repeater's transmit frequency can remain on 146.625 MHz and the receive frequency can remain on 146.025 MHz, and that there will be no interference to other stations.
3.. Branch 74 Wellington VHF has applied for a 32 cm repeater located at Colonial Knob, Topo50 map reference BP31 513.58 426.16. FMTAG has chosen a repeater transmit frequency of 927.800 MHz and a receive frequency of 921.200 MHz. An Engineering Evaluation, in accordance with the MED's Radio Licence Certification Rules (PIB38), shows that there will be no interference to other stations.
4.. Branch 74 Wellington VHF has applied for a 6 m repeater located at Colonial Knob, Topo50 map reference BP31 513.58 426.16. FMTAG has chosen a repeater transmit frequency of 53.750 MHz and a receive frequency of 52.750 MHz. An Engineering Evaluation, in accordance with the MED's Radio Licence Certification Rules (PIB38), shows that there will be no interference to other stations.
5.. Branch 85 Mercury Bay has applied for a National System repeater located at Opito Bay, Topo50 map reference BA35 513.81 313.73. FMTAG has chosen a repeater transmit frequency of 434.800 MHz and a receive frequency of 439.800 MHz. An Engineering Evaluation, in accordance with the MED's Radio Licence Certification Rules (PIB38), shows that there will be no interference to other stations.
6.. Branch 85 Mercury Bay has applied for a National System UHF Linking Station (ULS) located at Opito Bay, Topo50 map reference BA35 513.81 313.73, to link to Mt Edgecumbe. The link transmit frequency will be 434.975 MHz and the receive frequency will be 439.975 MHz. An Engineering Evaluation, in accordance with the MED's Radio Licence Certification Rules (PIB38), shows that there will be no interference to other stations.
Comments and Applications

Please send your comments and suggestions on the above matters and recommendations, and on any other FMTAG matters, by e-mail to: fmtag@nzart.org.nz

Applications for repeaters, beacons, digipeaters, point-to-point links, and so on, should be made on the latest version of FMTAG Form 10. The latest versions of FMTAG Form 10, and the explanatory Form 10A, are available on the NZART web site:
http://www.nzart.org.nz/nzart/fmtag/

Completed forms should be sent by e-mail to fmtag@nzart.org.nz

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Google Maps View of Locations For Beacons & Repeaters
The text below was extracted from an e-mail from ZL1TAT to ZL2NN

Greetings Jamie

Congratulations on your good work arranging the NZ amateur beacon and repeater locations in Google Maps.

This is very useful, as it allows the viewer to see a beacon/repeater location plotted over a map or terrain profile background, plus particularly when zoomed right in on satellite view, to see an aerial view of the site. Simplified line diagrams like those published in the Call Book are also essential. (These line maps are to be continued - ZL2NN)

I've listed each station below with an outline of where the antennas are mounted, along with a link to the Branch website listing where one exists.

1.. (091) Kakatarahae 7075: Antenna is on a wooden pole (beside a well camouflaged hut) at the N/E end of it's shadow. The helicopter landing clearing can be identified 20m north of this pole.
2.. (019) Tairua 6975: Antennas are on the lattice tower (visible immediately east of the building). Additional info at http://www.zl1is.info/tairua.html
3.. Mercury Bay Nat Sys 480: When this new (Branch 85) National System repeater is commissioned later this year, it will be on the end of the Opito Bay peninsula.
4.. (141) Maungakawa 5575: Antennas are east of the building's north end on a wooden mast (at the N/E end of its shadow). This repeater is planned to be commissioned later in 2011).
5.. (050) Te Weraiti 695: Replaces Te Aroha from beginning of June 2011. Antennas are on a wooden mast. Additional info at http://www.zl1is.info/te_weraiti.html
6.. (017) Takaurunga 12cm beacon, Kaimai NS repeater and 540 data repeater: Antennas are on our tower immediately east of the fenceline (beside our hut which is visible) 30m south of the (Telecom building and tower). Additional info at http://www.zl1is.info/kaimai.html
7.. (013) Raglan 5675: Antennas are on the wooden mast (west of the building's south end). Additional info at http://www.zl1is.info/raglan.html
8.. (023) Hamilton 465 digi: Antennas are on the tower (at the north end

of the red-roofed club rooms in Seddon Road). Additional info at http://zl1ux.tripod.com/bbs.html
9.. (140) Raglan Branch 9425 and 5350 at Ward Street (Hamilton): Antennas for these Br83 repeaters are on the rooftop platform. This is the dark grey-roof building (No.40) north of the Ward Street intersection with Worley Place.
10.. (104) Waikato 2m, 23cm and 70cm beacons: Antennas are on the south/east corner of the penthouse parapet (on Telecom's building at the south/east intersection of Anglesea Street and Caro Street). Additional info at: http://www.zl1is.info/hamilton.html
11.. (139) REG 7125 and 8875 repeaters: These are located at their clubrooms within the building (No.211) on the north side of Peacocks Road.
12.. (103) Nat Syst Hamilton 9975 repeater: Antenna is on the monopole tower at the north end of the smaller building (off the east end of Transpower's larger building on the north side of Hall Road, No.25). Additional info at: http://www.zl1is.info/rukuhia.html
13.. (033) Hairini 7225 repeater: Branch 55's repeater is located on Puahue Road.
14.. (030) Waitomo 465 digi (Br81), plus Br55 Nat Sys 9925, 7375 and 870 repeaters are all located on the Rangitoto Range. Additional info at: http://www.zl1is.info/rangitoto.html
Your work will be appreciated by all who view locations for these assets.

73's
Ian Brown ZL1TAT
Branch 81 trustee, and technical advisor to Branch 85

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Online NZ Repeater Maps
In the last Infoline the new online repeater maps were introduced. The ones hosted on the Wellington VHF Group website at http://www.vhf.org.nz/maps are generated from information from two sources as follows:

1. The technical data is sourced from the RSM's SMART system, if this is incorrect please notify the owner of the licence and ask them to submit a form 10 to get it corrected (Note: if the licencee is NZART please contact the branch not NZART itself). The actual data from SMART is as follows:
a. Frequency (the input frequency for repeaters is calculated)
b. Type
c. Site Name
d. Map Reference
e. Coordinates
f. Licence Number
g. Licencee

2. Other data is sourced from the NZART call book and any corrections received. For corrections to this data please email zl2wal@nzart.org.nz. The actual data fields are as follows:
a. Callsign
b. CTCSS
c. Branch

d. Trustees
e. Notes

The tool used to generate the maps is open source and therefore is under active development. The map generator can be downloaded from http://projects.wallace.gen.nz/projects/nzrepeaters/files both as a source archive for any platform and an installer for Windows.

It is currently capable of generating output in the following formats:
1. KML - for display in Google earth and Google maps
2. KMZ - for display in Google earth and Google maps (this is a compressed version of the above file format so it is smaller to download)
3. CSV - spreadsheet that can be used in many tools including Libre Office/Open Office or MS Excel

At present the following enhancements to software and hense to the maps themselves are planned (for further information and to look at the progress see the development roadmap at http://projects.wallace.gen.nz/projects/nzrepeaters/roadmap):
1. Adding links in as lines between the repeaters
2. Splitting the repeaters etc. by band when viewed in the larger map or using the KMZ or KML file
3. Adding links to the pop-up bubbles to access information in SMART if possible:
a. Licencee to the licencee in SMART
b. Licence number to the licence in SMART
c. Site Name to the site in SMART
4. Adding links to branch information on the NZART website
5. Automation of the downloading of updated data files from within the software rather than having to download a new release
6. Displaying links between repeaters
7. Filtering by name eg: to make a map just showing the national system

Rob ZL2WAL

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Interesting Links Fron John ZL1GWE
With a rise in power-line networking uptake across the UK, GCHQ reported earlier this year that the technology is causing interference with its highly sensitive antennae.
http://thenextweb.com/uk/2011/05/17/does-power-line-networking-pose-a-national-security-risk/

GNU Radio is a free software development toolkit that provides the signal processing runtime and processing blocks to implement software radios using readily-available, low-cost external RF hardware and commodity processors. It is widely used in hobbyist, academic and commercial environments to support wireless communications research as well as to implement real-world radio systems.
http://gnuradio.org/redmine/wiki/gnuradio

Amateur radio interferometry
http://fringes.org/

Radar (RAdio Detection And Ranging) is widely used in both commercial and military applications. Air traffic control, mapping of ground contours and automotive traffic enforcement are just a couple civilian applications. Radar is ubiquitous in military applications being used in aircraft, missiles, ships, tanks, helicopters, ground stations, and more.
http://www.eetimes.com/design/programmable-logic/4216104/Radar-basics---Part-1?cid=NL_CommsDesign&Ecosystem=communications-design

Itï¿½s all about spectrum Explosive growth in wireless data services is once again transforming an industry well-accustomed to change. The rapid growth in traffic of the 2000s, driven predominantly by voice subscriber additions, is now being followed by an even more dramatic increase in data traffic, as smart phone market penetration accelerates and a flourishing ecosystem of smartphone apps drives explosive growth in the amount of data consumed per subscriber.
http://www.eetimes.com/design/microwave-rf-design/4215852/Self-adaptive-RF-digital-signal-processing-enables-wireless-ne-twork-spectral-efficiency?cid=NL_CommsDesign&Ecosystem=communications-design

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Upcoming Events
1.. UPPER HUTT NZART Conference 2011 04/06-June-2011
http://www.nzart.org.nz/activities/events/2010-upper-hutt-conf/
Contest News
VHF/UHF/SHF Contest
VHF++ Hibernation Contest (1st SAT JUN 2nd if Conf) 11/12-JUN-2011

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Housekeeping
1.. Break-In-Closing Date Reminder: Copy for the JULY/AUGUST issue of Break-In-closes on 10-JULY-2011
2.. Copy for Break-In: Copy is welcome in most electronic formats but word.doc files are preferred. Photos and other graphics should be send as separate discrete files (*.jpg preferred); not as embedded pix in the body of the text. Please ensure that suitable descriptive captions/legends are included with your copy.
All received copy will be acknowledged to confirm receipt.
Thank you for your cooperation.
John Walker ZL3IB Editor.
3.. Break-In: Early receipt of copy is much appreciated
4.. Break-In-AREC Column: The close-of-copy date is the 03-JULY-2011 for articles for publication in the AREC COLUMN OF BREAK-IN. Photos, if available, to be on a separate floppy or CD (with captions), posted DIRECTLY TO US. Use Call Book address. All other material can go to e-mail: zl3qr@nzart.org.nz or zl3ov@nzart.org.nz

5.. The ARRL and WIA Weekly News
6.. Subscribe TO/FROM Infoline
Next NZART Official Broadcast is on SUNDAY 29-MAY-2011

Next HQ-Infoline e-mailed on SUNDAY 05-JUNE-2011

Headquarters-Infoline is a twice-monthly bulletin of news from NZART Headquarters. News and items of a general or technical interest are also included. These are obtained from various sources. The bulletins are e-mailed directly to Branches, the amateur radio packet Bulletin Board Service and to others that subscribe through the NZART Website at: http://www.nzart.org.nz/join/e-mail-lists/join-infoline-list/

Regards, Jamie Pye ZL2NN, Editor zl2nn@nzart.org.nz

518. Welcome to rec.radio.info!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-22 06:00:03 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/rec-radio-info/welcome-1-1306044001@panix.com>
Source record: 4508
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.info,rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.answers,news.answers

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/rec-radio-info/welcome
Revision: 1.4 2008/02/09 19:36:10
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

*** Welcome to rec.radio.info! ***

Welcome to rec.radio.info, a group that aims to provide a noise-free
source of information and news for the entire rec.radio hierarchy.

Two introductory articles about rec.radio.info are posted to the group
every month. You are now reading the first article, which explains what
rec.radio.info is, and answers some Frequently Asked Questions. The
second article is titled Posting Guidelines, and you only need to read
it if you want to submit an article to rec.radio.info.

You can skip to the next section of this article by searching for the
next
" -- " string. The sections available are:
- What is the purpose of rec.radio.info?
- Why are messages almost always cross posted to rec.radio.info?
- What is a 'follow-up', and what does 'moderated' mean?
- OK, so now I know what 'moderated' means. Tell me more.
- What type of material is considered inappropriate?
- I do not have access to news, how can I get the information posted to
rec.radio.info?
- Will the material appearing in rec.radio.info be archived somewhere?
- I have a regular posting with timely information, is there a way to
speed up it's delivery, or automate for more convenience?

-- What is the purpose of rec.radio.info?

The purpose or charter of rec.radio.info is to provide the Usenet
community with a resource for information, news, and facts about any and
all things radio.

All the other rec.radio groups are intended for discussions and general
chit chat about radio. Rec.radio.info will contain informational,
factual articles only. Follow-ups are redirected to an appropriate other
group, and further discussion (if any) will not take place in
rec.radio.info.
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In order to ensure that rec.radio.info contains only appropriate articles, it was decided to create the group as a moderated newsgroup.

-- Why are messages almost always cross posted to rec.radio.info?

It provides a "tag" for each article to be assembled into a filtered presentation in rec.radio.info (even with cross-posting, only one message, with a unique Message-ID, is propagated across the net). This tag also facilitates a pre-existing method of dropping or canceling the articles locally within the discussion groups if you don't want to see them. This accommodates individuals who want to separate the bulletins from the discussions, discussions from the bulletins, as well as those who are adamant about not reading another newsgroup and wanted to see everything all in one basket.

With the total size of Usenet (in number of newsgroups and total traffic) doubling every year or so, this is no insignificant contribution to reducing information noise and chaos. Making the discussion groups a catch-all, and making extra newsgroups filters on that catch-all, is also the most realistic way to implement such a scheme (It's not intuitively obvious what the charter, contents, and general appropriate topics for each and every newsgroup are. Seeing FAQ's and charter/intro postings in the home newsgroup is beneficial for new readers).

By cross-posting one only is adding a few tens of bytes to each bulletin (to specify the extra group on the Newsgroups line), but are adding the capability for very powerful filtering features available on most news servers, listservers and readers. Your local news guru could probably explain these features in more detail.

In rn, for example, according to Leanne Phillips in her rn kill-file FAQ, add a line of the form:

/Newsgroups:.*[,]rec\.radio\.info/h:j

either in ~/News/KILL (if you don't want to see rec.radio.info articles anywhere) or ~/News/rec/radio/amateur/misc/KILL (if you don't want to see them just in rec.radio.amateur.misc). The latter method means your kill file will only be consulted during rec.radio.amateur.misc (and hence runs more efficiently), and will probably work for most people.

In nn, according to Bill Wohler in his nn FAQ, add a line of the form:

rec.radio.info:!s/:^

in ~/.nn/kill (if you don't want to see rec.radio.info articles anywhere), or put the following lines:

sequence
rec.radio.info
rec.radio.

at the end of ~/.nn/init in order to see all the rec.radio.info bulletins first, then read the remaining rec.radio.* without the

bulletins.

In slrn, according to the srln FAQ, the following scoring rule will | allow you to see rec.radio.info-crossposted bulletins, while still | filtering out most SPAM or "Velveeta" crossposted to more than 2 | newsgroups (as such articles usually do not contain a 'Followup-To:' | header): |

Score: -9999 |
Newsgroups: ,.*, |
~Followup-To: . |

More information about kill files may be obtained from Dave Fawthrop's Killfile FAQ at:

http://www.hyphenologist.co.uk/killfile/

-- What is a 'follow-up', and what does 'moderated' mean?

If you are new to Usenet and are not familiar with the terminology, you might want to read the general introductory articles found in the newsgroup news.announce.newusers. Doing so will make your life on the net much easier, and will probably save you from making silly beginner's mistakes.

If you think that at this moment you are reading an echo, a conference, or a bulletin board, I'd also strongly suggest a trip over to news.announce.newusers.

For the rest of this article, we will assume you have a basic knowledge of Usenet terminology and mechanics.

A moderated group means that any article that needs to be posted to the group has to be accepted by the moderator of the group. Since we need to ensure that followups to an article (discussion) do not show up in the rec.radio.info newsgroup, the `Followup-To:' header line contains a newsgroup that is appropriate for discussions about the specific article.

-- OK, so now I know what 'moderated' means. Tell me more.

Rec.radio.info is a moderated newsgroup, which means that all articles submitted to the group will have to be approved by the moderator first.

The current moderator of the group is the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team. Submissions to rec.radio.info can be posted, or e-mailed to:

rec-radio-info@panix.com

Comments, criticisms, suggestions or questions about the group can be e-mailed to:

rec-radio-info-request@panix.com

But before you do so, please be sure to check out the "Posting Guidelines" article.

The influence of the moderator should be minimal and of an administrative nature, consisting chiefly of weeding out obviously inappropriate articles, while making sure correct headers etc. are used for the appropriate ones.

-- What type of material is considered inappropriate?

There are three broad categories of articles which will be rejected by the moderator:

1) Requests for information: rec.radio.info is strictly a one-way street. We receive information in our mailbox; we then post it to rec.radio.info. Requests for specific information belong in the normal discussion newsgroups. If your request gets answered, you might consider passing the answer on to rec.radio.info, though. Especially if you can edit it into a informational, rather than a discussion, format.

2) Obvious discussion articles, or articles that appear unsubstantiated.

3) Commercial stuff: a relatively unbiased test of a radio product would be accepted, but any hint of for-profit might be reason for rejection. For three reasons: This is not the purpose of the list, for-profit is a controversial topic, and this list may be passed onto Amateur Packet Radio (where for-profit is prohibited except under certain provisos).

rec.radio.swap may be more deserving of the posting in any matter.

Similarly, copyrighted material generally cannot be used. If it's TRULY worthwhile to the net, We would recommend obtaining permission from the copyright holder. Please note the source, and if permission was given. We reserve the right to make the final decision concerning appropriateness in all situations. In most cases, a brief summary of, or pointer to, the copyrighted information may be all we can allow.

-- I do not have access to news, how can I get the information posted to rec.radio.info?

Google has an excellent web interface to Usenet newsgroups. It is available at:

http://groups.google.com

It supports both reading and posting.

Another excellent web interface to at least the radio-related Usenet newsgroups is the RadioBanter site:

http://www.radiobanter.com

sponsored by the NewsgroupBanter project:

http://www.newsgroupbanter.com

It, too, supports both reading and posting.

-- Will the material appearing in rec.radio.info be archived somewhere?

Yes. See Google Groups and RadioBanter above.

Effectively this means that anything you post to rec.radio.info will be permanently stored, so your work will not be lost.

-- I have a regular posting with timely information, is there a way to speed up it's delivery, or automate for more convenience?

Yes, there is! It may take a bit of chatter with the moderator, but we are willing to take responsible people and provide them the means of posting the articles directly from their site. We will try everything we can as we fully realize that DX (distant signal) and astronomical data can be somewhat transitory. We are also willing to allow regular posters of information the same courtesy, even if the information is not as time critical.

We refer to this as self-moderation, which is partly based on the model for rec.answers/news.answers. This requires co-operation and goodwill to be beneficial to the community in the rec.radio hierarchy.

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms about this article to rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

(Adapted, with permission, from the original article written by Mark Salyzyn, AG4YD, ex-VE6MGS.)

519. rec.radio.info Posting Guidelines

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-22 06:05:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/rec-radio-info/guidelines-1-1306044300@panix.com>
Source record: 4509
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.info,rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.answers,news.answers

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/rec-radio-info/guidelines
Revision: 1.5 2007/03/22 16:30:49
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

*** rec.radio.info - Posting Guidelines and Etiquette ***

Two introductory articles about rec.radio.info are posted to this group
and to rec.answers/news.answers every month. You are now reading the
second article, which explains how to submit something to
rec.radio.info, and which answers some Frequently Asked Questions about
the submission process. The first article is titled "Welcome to
rec.radio.info", and it might be a good idea to check it out as well.

-- How do I submit something to rec.radio.info?

Two possibilities. You can use your newsreading software to just post
the article to rec.radio.info, as you would do with any other
newsgroup. The difference is that the software recognizes the special
status of rec.radio.info as a moderated group, and will e-mail your
article to us, the moderation team, instead of posting it to the group.

Alternatively, you can mail your article directly to us at the following
address:

rec-radio-info@panix.com

Mailing us directly is probably (a wee bit) faster, but using the
transparency offered by the newsreading software is probably more
convenient.

If you have any questions, or wish to deal with some administrivia with
the moderation team, we suggest mailing to the following address:

rec-radio-info-request@panix.com

-- How soon will I see my article appear?

It depends on how busy we are. Your article reaches us as mail, we have
to read it first, give it the stamp of approval, and finally send it on
to the group. We will attempt to read and decide on all submissions
within 72 hours at the very least, though we will probably be able to
process submissions much faster in actual practice.
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The site from which we moderate this newsgroup, "Public Access Internet and Unix, NYC" (Panix), is directly connected to the Internet, and articles posted at that site should appear at most major news sites, including Google Groups, the same day. The principal delay, therefore, will be the wait in the moderator's submission queue.

If you post a periodic article, and have shown to be trustworthy, we may allow you to post directly if the article is of a timely nature. See the section below on direct posting.

-- Should my article be in a specific format?

No. If it is not totally illegible, we will accept it, and if it does not have a correct subject-line we will correct it with your permission -- that's what a moderator is for.

However.

You could do us a big favor by making sure your article conforms to these simple requirements:

1) The article must present information, not discussion or requests, We will reject the article or require you to change the wording if it is worth it.
2) A good, descriptive Subject line.
3) Always mention what source you got the information from.
4) Don't forget to include a Followup-To header, at least if you don't want further discussion to automatically be forwarded to you, the poster, which is the default if the article is only posted to rec.radio.info.

As we said: if your article is appropriate we will post it even if you don't follow these guidelines, but then don't blame us for not processing it immediately. 'Perfect' articles we can send on with a couple of keystrokes. Stuff that needs minor editing is going to have to wait until we have time to do so.

Please do not waste both our and your time by posting requests, as this is an information only news group.

-- What about crossposting?

If you send something to rec.radio.info, just name any group you'd like to cross-post to in the Newsgroups field. Then, when we approve the article for rec.radio.info it will get automatically cross-posted to any other groups mentioned. This will also override the default Followup-To: poster, replacing it with the groups you cross posted to.

We would prefer if the group be cross-posted to the various discussion groups in the rec.radio.* hierarchy that are appropriate:

rec.radio.amateur.misc Amateur (ham) radio and related matters
rec.radio.amateur.packet Amateur Packet Radio discussions
rec.radio.amateur.policy Amateur Radio practices, rules, etc.
rec.radio.noncomm Non commercial radio discussions

rec.radio.shortwave International broadcasting on the 'HF' bands
rec.radio.cb Citizens Band (27 MHz) discussion
rec.radio.scanner Scanner discussions (unsupported group)

or in one of the moderated groups:

rec.radio.amateur.moderated Amateur radio practices, rules, etc.
rec.radio.broadcasting Discussion of *domestic* radio broadcasting

We will leave it up to the poster to decide which group(s) are appropriate, but reserve the right to add groups if we feel it has broader interest. We will consult with the poster first.

Notes on crossposting:

- rec.radio.broadcasting is also a moderated group. The rec.radio.broadcasting moderator prefers to review all articles himself before posting. Placing rec.radio.broadcasting before rec.radio.info on the Newsgroups line should accomplish this. We will typically abide by the rec.radio.broadcasting moderator's decision whether the article is appropriate for rec.radio.info.

- rec.radio.amateur.moderated is also a moderated group. As the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team manages both rec.radio.amateur.moderated and rec.radio.info, we can manage crossposting and approvals for both newsgroups. The rec.radio.amateur.moderated group does not allow crossposting to other discussion newsgroups, whether moderated or unmoderated. However, we would like to manage rec.radio.info as consistently as possible with how it was done by previous moderators, including the grandfathering of existing regular postings. Therefore, the submitter can choose rec.radio.amateur.moderated or the other unmoderated rec.radio.amateur.* discussion newsgroups for crossposting, but not both.

- Any FAQ or informational posting approved by the rec.answers/news.answers moderation team that is also crossposted to any rec.radio.* newsgroup (besides just rec.radio.info) is also automatically pre-approved for rec.radio.info. See below for more information.

If you post to another moderated group, it may be better to make special arrangements with both moderators before posting by contacting us at our administrivia addresses.

In addition, cross-posts do not take up extra space; modern newsreaders can be configured to show you cross-posted articles only once anyway; not everybody reads rec.radio.info; and rec.radio.info was never meant to reduce the volume of the regular discussion newsgroups. But keep in mind that some of the mail gateways may filter out the informational postings (at request of the subscribers) to keep the load down.

You decide.

-- I have a regular posting with timely information, can I make arrangements to help speed up delivery by posting directly from my site?

Yes, there is! It may take a bit of chatter with the moderator, but we are willing to take responsible people and provide them the means of posting the articles directly from their site. We will try everything we can as we fully realize that DX (distant signal) and astronomical data can be somewhat transitory. We are also willing to allow regular posters of information the same courtesy, even if the information is not as timely.

We refer to this as self-moderation, which is partly based on the model for rec.answers/news.answers. This requires cooperation and good will to be beneficial to the community in the rec.radio.* hierarchy.

If you are currently maintaining (or plan to maintain) a radio-related periodic information posting, you may wish to consider crossposting it to rec.answers/news.answers. Postings that are approved by the rec.answers/news.answers moderators for this treatment are automatically pre-approved for crossposting to rec.radio.info (as the news.answers requirements are far more rigorous than the requirements this newsgroup ever plans to use). For more information about this option, consult the appropriate information articles and posting guidelines in rec.answers/news.answers.

Realize also, that even if your post is not approved for rec.answers/news.answers, it can still be approved for rec.radio.info. The intention is not so much to get every last bit of radio-related information on rec.answers/news.answers, but rather to provide an alternative avenue of approval (as well as grandfather existing maintainers of radio-related information and spare them additional bureaucratic hurdles). Again, crossposting to either rec.radio.info or rec.answers/news.answers, both, or neither, is at the discretion of the poster (subject to the approval of the moderators). You decide what is most appropriate for your article.

Please remember that as an information maintainer, you are not alone. There are many others on the net who maintain and post periodic information postings, using various intermediate-to-advanced features of Usenet (usually via automated tools). Various degrees of technical support and general hand-holding are available from many Usenet veterans. Send us some E-mail describing your needs to our administrative address below, and we'll try to help, or at least refer you to the right knowledgeable individual(s).

-- And Follow-ups?

If the only newsgroup you have specified is rec.radio.info, then the Followup-To: field will always be set to poster. If you do not want this, you must supply a Followup-To line of your own, and we will honor that one, as long as it is a subset of the original Newsgroups line.

If you specify newsgroups to cross-post to, then the Followup-To field will be set to include all the cross-posted groups, excepting rec.radio.info itself. Again, if you do not wish this behavior, supply your own Followup-To line.

We maintain other standards on the various RFC-1036 (news transport) header lines. For example, if the article is appropriate for passing into the Packet Radio Information Network, we encapsulate the Packet Bulletin Identifier (BID) in the Message-ID: news header line indicating the machine of origin as the ampr.org domain:

Message-ID: <$opa.55.1994@ampr.org> |

where the Packet Radio BID, in this example, is `$OPA.55', and it was posted in the year 1994, because some of the Bid numbers are cycled yearly. Hopefully, this can be used as a key to re-introduce the articles for the Packet Radio network. Also, if the article is a repost of an already existing information article in the rec.radio heirarchy, we ensure that the References: header line is linked to that previously posted article. This also helps to tag articles, and may be used for additional filtering if needed.

Since the articles are archived, please use the Summary and Keywords header lines to help one search for your article.

-- Why have I received no reply from you?

We never reject anything in silence, and we make a point of it to answer all our mail. However, E-mail, like a brain cell, can and does get lost, every now and again.

So, if you send us something, and you don't see it appear it rec.radio.info, and you still have not heard from us in reply after say, five days, you can be pretty sure that either your mail never reached us, or that our answer has never reached you. In that case, please try again (We will filter out duplicates).

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms about this article to rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

(Adapted, with permission, from the original article written by Mark Salyzyn, AG4YD, ex-VE6MGS.)

520. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 22nd May 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-22 20:00:13 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20110522200003.31A6833C5F@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4510
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 22nd May 2011

Echo Ireland

The June edition of Echo Ireland is now being prepared and members are invited to submit news items and articles for inclusion. As we are coming in to the busy season for club activities, we hope to get reports from Club PROs on happenings both past and planned.

Pictures as jpegs are particularly welcome. Please keep text and pictures separate. All input to ei4bz at eircom dot net Echo Ireland

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IRTS Contests

The CW Field Day is being held over the weekend of 4-5 June 2011. Log's to be submitted by July 5th.

Mills on the air weekend

Last weekend was the annual Mills on the air weekend. There ware plenty of activity in EI for Mill chasers. Among those heard / worked ware the Shannon Basin Radio Club activating the Elphin windmill with call EI2EWM, North County Radio Club who ware at the Skerries Windmill using the EI2NCR call and The Amateur Portable Group who ware activating Delaney's Mill in Rathfeigh with the call EI0Z/p

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INTERNATIONAL GEOPARK WEEKEND 28 & 29 MAY

The South Eastern Amateur Radio Group and Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club will be operating special stations next weekend 28 and 28 May.

The Lough Erne station GB2MAC will be at Marble Arch International Geopark. It will work mostly HF and be in H13 a rare Worked All Ireland square.

The South Eastern Amateur Radio Group's station, EI2GEO will be at the Copper Coast Geopark, and working most modes and bands, including ATV.

These two are the only Geoparks in Ireland, one north, one south, and are among almost 50 across Europe.

CASHOTA Ireland and UK Weekend 28th and 29th of May2011

Next weekend there will be a weekend of activity for CASHOTA Ireland and UK held from Saturday the 28th of May until Sunday the 29th of May. This event is open to anyone who wishes to activate a Castle of Stately home.

This is also an excellent opportunity to work Castles towards the CASHOTA Ireland and UK awards. This promises to be a good weekend for portable activity and if you have never considered such an operation before this would be an opportunity to test out your equipment.

To date we have commitments from EI1EM/P, Clonboo Castle, EI1NC/P, Mallow Castle, EI2NRC/P Ardgillan Castle, EI4ALE/P Ballindooley Castle, EI4LRC/P Bunratty Castle, and EI8DRB/P from Creganna Castle with a few more to come.

This promises to be a very good weekend of activity and if you can not activate a castle, do give one of the many castles, in the UK and Ireland, a call over the weekend. If you wish to activate a Castle of Stately Home contact Steve, EI5DD, to obtain a number. Check www.cashota-ireland.org for further information.

Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club

The Club came second in the UK final among thirteen Regional Club of the Year Award winners announced at last weekend's RSGB AGM in Derby.

The President, Dave Wilson M0OBW presented the runner-up certificate and £500 to Michael Clarke Mi5MTC and Alan Gault Gi6PYP from the Lough Erne Club.

The winner was Reading and District Amateur Radio Club and the third was Bolton Wireless Club.

Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club congratulates its members whose activities and achievements made 2010 the club's best year ever. Moreover, the Club thanks the SHARE Centre whose generous support and excellent facilities made all this possible.

North Cork Radio Group

The North Cork Radio Group would like to welcome their newest member, Baby Cáthal Jeremiah Sexton. Born on 11/05/11 /at/ 4.31am. Weighing 6 pounds 12.5 ounces. Well done and congratulations to Mum & Dad, Lavinia and Liam EI7GTB from all at the group.

Lisa EI9GSB using EI1NC/P will be active over CASHOTA weekend Saturday the 28th and 29th of May from Mallow Castle with assigned designator EI015/C, the Castle locator is IO52QD and Worked all Ireland is W59.

The group will also be holding their own CASHOTA weekend over June 4th 5th and 6th from Blarney Castle Co Cork, EI010/C for further details visit the information pages of http://cashota-ireland.org.

Planned open day events at Blarney for the 11th of June, for those aware, have unfortunately been cancelled by the organisers although a future date is expected. updates will be via ei1nc.com and IRTS news service. North Cork Radio group would also like to remind listeners that future events and co-community activity ideas are always welcome and can be forwarded to the secretary Lisa EI9GSB via email, Lisa at ei1nc dot com.

Tipperary Amateur Radio Group

The next meeting of the Tipperary Amateur Radio Group will take place on Thursday next the 26th of May in Raheen House Hotel, Raheen Road, Clonmel. at 8.30pm All are welcome

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Cork Radio Club

The May meeting of Cork Radio Club will be held in the Community Centre in Carrigtwohill on Monday the 30th and will feature a presentation and live demonstration of D-Star by Don Kelly EI8DJ.

The meeting will also review the successful trip to Brow Head for International Marconi Day and will finalise arrangements for the CW Field Day on the following weekend.

Visitors are very welcome and further information can be had from Jeremy EI5GM on 083-3317710.

West Tyrone ARC

Members of the West Tyrone Amateur Radio Club, produce a short radio programme

http://wtarc.co.uk/news.aspx

Helen Sharman GB1MIR became the United Kingdom's first astronaut when she blasted off from Baikonur in Kazakhstan at 1250 GMT on May 18, 1991 on her way to the MIR space station from where she operated GB1MIR. A video of her space flight can be seen//www.southgatearc.org/news/your_news_1.htm

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This bulletin has been produced by Charlie EI8JB who is standing in for the News Editor Aidan EI7JC who is away on Vacation.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to

both the radio and printed news services.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

521. [DXNL] DXNL 1729 (May 25, 2011)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-24 18:56:09 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <171698848156.20110524205100@dxhf.darc.de>
Source record: 4511
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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CT3 - MADEIRA, AF-014
Diethelm,DJ2YE, Dieter,DJ8DS, Ulrich,DJ9IE, Detlef,DK3QZ, Hans,DL1XW,
Kai,DL3HAH, and Rein,PA0R, will be QRV as CR3L in a multi OP category
of the upcoming CQWW WPX CW Contest. Their QTH will be Santana on
Madeira (AF-014) from where they will be active as CT9/homecalls before
and after the contest from May 24-30. The QSL manager for CR3L is DJ6QT
all other QSLs should be sent via their homecalls.
Detailed information can be found at: http://www.cr3l.de

PJ4 - BONAIRE, SA-006
John,PJ4/K4BAI, and Dick,PJ4/K4IQJ, will show up from Bonaire (SA-006)
from May 24-31, mostly in CW but also in SSB/RTTY. They plan to take
part in the WPX CW Contest as PJ4A (QSL via K4BAI). QSLs via homecalls.

V2 - ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA, NA-100
Darrell,AB2E, is staying on Antigua (NA-100) from May 24-31. He will be
QRV as V26E working as single OP in the WPX CW Contest and also on the
lowbands and WARC bands before and after the contest.
The QSL cards for this and also for all previous operations since 1993
should be sent only direct via AB2E. LoTW QSLs may be possible also.

V6 - FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA, OC-010
Sho,JA7MHZ/V63DX, Taka,JA7AGO/V63GO, and Aki,JA7ZP/V62ZP, are working
from Pohnpei (OC-010) in all modes on all bands until May 28.
QSLs via homecalls.

YN - NICARAGUA
Bob,YN2ET (N5ET), Keith,YN2MG (NM5G), and Eddy,YN2ER (K5WQG), will be
QRV as multi/single signing YN2ET in the WPX CW Contest. They are using
their personal callsign outside of the contest.
The QSL manager for all calls is N5ET.
The QSO data will be uploaded to the LoTW as well.

5R - MADAGASCAR, AF-057
Giorgio,IZ4AKS, will stay on Nosy Be Island (AF-057) between May 31 and
Jun 6. He plans to work in "holiday style" using 5R8KS in CW, SSB and
RTTY on 40m-10m. His preferred frequencies are:
CW: 7025, 10105, 14025, 18075, 21025, 24895, 28025 kHz
SSB: 7085, 14270, 18155, 21295, 24945, 28495 kHz
RTTY: 7040, 10145, 14080, 18105, 21085, 24920, 28080 kHz
QSL via IZ8IYX, via bureau or direct.
For more information visit: http://www.dxcoffee.com/5r8ks

FRANCE, SPECIAL EVENT STATION
Like every year there will be a special event station active from the
site of the car race "24 Hours of Le Mans". TM24H will be QRV between
May 29 and Jun 12. QSL via F6KFI, via bureau or direct.
Check also: http://asso.proxiland.fr/aras72

GEOPARK WEEKEND 2011: The weekend of May 28/29 has been declared the Geopark
Weekend. A group from England is going to activate GB6GEO from the
"English Riviera Geopark". QSLs via bureau or direct to G3VOF.
More information about the Geopark Weekend can be found at QRZ.com on
the website of GB6GEO.

DXCC: The QSL cards of VU4PB (Andaman & Nikobar Islands, operation of 2011)
are accepted for DXCC credit now.

SILENT KEY: George Ripley (GD3AHV), aged 90, sadly passed away on May 11.
He was one of the first OMs who obtained a licence for 6m and was very
active on this band since February 1982.

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

Upcoming WFF activities in DL:

May 14-31 DLFF-054 DL0DFF
May 27-29 DLFF-111 DG6PY/p
May 28/29 DLFF-046 DL7UXG/p
Jun 2-5 DLFF-135 DF0WFF (OP: DJ5NN, special DOK: WFFDL)
Jun 4 DLFF-009 DK2AI/p
All QSL cards should be sent via the QSL bureau to the OP.
You can find more information online at: http://www.wff-dl.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

May 28/29: CQ WW WPX Contest, CW

IOTA collected by Ric,DL2VFR (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AF-004, EA8, Canary Islands: Val,RD3A, will be QRV as EF8M from Las Palmas
on Gran Canaria (DIE S-005) on May 28/29. QSL via UA3DX.

EU-044, LA, Finnmark County West Group: DL2RNS and DL2VFR are leaving
towards the North Cape on May 24. They want to activate Mageroya Island
from the northernmost camping site of the world from May 28-31.
They will work mostly in CW and only some SSB with high power.
Their website is: http://www.iota-expedition.com
QSLs for LA/DL2RNS and LA/DL2VFR via homecalls (bureau/direct).

EU-059, GM/MM, St. Kilda: Peter,M0NED, Steve,M6ZIX, and Paul,2E0GDD, plan
to show up as GB1KLD from Hirta Island (IOSA OL02, SCOTIA DI23) between
May 31 and Jun 3. The dates may vary depending on the sea and weather
conditions. Another info from the same source says the call is GB0TBA.
QSL via RSGB bureau.

EU-087, SM, Vasternorrland County Group: On their way to the North Cape
DL2RNS and DL2VFR are planning a sidetrip to on of the islands Alnoen
or Hemsoen. They will show up as SD7V/3 and SM3/DL2RNS in CW/SSB for a
few hours. QSLs for SM3/DL2RNS via homecall and for SD7V/3 via DL2VFR.

EU-172, OZ, Jylland East and Fyn Group: OZ/DL4VM is working from the island
Fuenen (DIA FY-001) mainly in CW on 40 and 15m from May 22 till Jun 17.
QSL via homecall (bureau/direct).

A group from Germany will be QRV from Fuenen as well from May 26-30.
OZ/DF7MR, OZ/DL1HRG, OZ/DL9FR, OZ/DM2TO, OZ/DM3KF, OZ/DM3VA and
OZ/DM7DX will be active in CW, SSB, RTTY and BPSK31 on all bands.

EU-174, SV, Makedonia/Thraki Region Group: OM Laci will be QRV from Thassos
signing J48HW or SV8/HA0HW from May 26 until Jun 5. He is working with
power amplifier and monoband antennas on all bands plus 6m and also
in the CW part of the CQ WPX Contest. QSL via HA0HW (bureau/direct).

NA-091, VE, BC Province South Group: VE7/DK6AO will stay on Quadra between
May 30 and Jun 7. The confirmation rate of this island is only 22 %.
QSL via homecall (bureau/direct). More information and maybe also an
onlinelog can be found on his website: http://www.dk6ao.de

OC-019, KH6/KH7, Hawaiian Islands: Jim/N6TJ will be QRV as NH7A from Keaau
on Hawaii (USI HI025S) on May 28/29. QSL via F5VHJ (see QRZ.com).

Lighthouse activities (Admiralty Digital List of Lights)

EF8M D 2816 Gran Canaria May 28/29
NH7A G 7222 Hawaii (Big Island) May 28/29

Bandspots of the last 7 days

30m
DL7FW/p 10.116 1521Z EU-042, (B)
EA6UN 10.118 0558Z (d)

20m
FJ/OS1T 14.192 2238Z via ON4CIT (B)
FO8RZ 14.018 0617Z via F8BPN (B), (L)
GM/DH5JBR 14.263 1526Z EU-008

PJ7MF 14.262 0507Z NA-105, via IZ1MHY (d)
SP5ES 14.045 0937Z SPFF-459 (B), (L)
SX5F 14.012 1225Z via SV1HER (B)
TC130ATA 14.023 1609Z via TA1HZ (B)
W4EON 14.272 1944Z SOTA W4/SH-026
6W/RK4FF 14.005 0630Z via RK4FF
9H4RH/p 14.059 1411Z SOTA GO-001
9M4ITU 14.305 1725Z

17m
A41OO 18.155 1923Z via NI5DX (d)
CX5BW 18.079 1845Z (d)
TA4/DL2RPS 18.074 1522Z via
5B4AIX 18.155 1836Z (d)
8P9XB 18.073 1841Z via PT7WA

15m
E21EJC 21.007 1654Z (d)
HB0/DL2JRM 21.053 1812Z via DL2JRM (B)
V85TL 21.017 1649Z (d)
YI9NS 21.003 1627Z via W3HNK (d)
4Z13AR 21.280 2003Z via 4Z5NS
6W/RK4FF 21.005 1544Z via RK4FF

12m
TJ3IC 24.970 0650Z via F5LGE (B)

10m
FJ/OS1T 28.492 1028Z via ON4CIT (B)
J39BS 28.038 2103Z (L)
TJ3IC 28.540 0748Z via F5LGE (B)

6m
EA1AR 50.098 1206Z
EA5/UR3PE 50.133 1159Z
IT9CJC 50.102 1636Z
LX2LA 50.145 1746Z
LZ1CY 50.093 1208Z
SV1ENG 50.102 1239Z (B)
SV4FFL 50.086 1228Z
TM0Z 50.135 1835Z EU-105, via F5EOT (B)
UT5EL 50.099 1454Z
UY1HY 50.094 1457Z

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(L) = LoTW
(r) = bureau QSL via e-mail request

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

-31May 3A2CWG 1726
23May-08Jun 3W2N 1728
-Dec 3Y8XSA 1700/1717
-25Oct 5B50J 1700
31May-06Jun 5R8KS 1729 *
-08Jun 5X1VJ 1721
-Apr/12 5Z4RH ? 1674
-31Dec 9A11P 1723
-Sep 9J2KK 1682
-Jul 9M2/RA9LR 1727
NOW 9M6/KM9D 1699
-Jun 9N7AK 1726
SOON 9Q1EK 1669
-Nov 9Q6CC 1699
-Aug A92IO 1663

-31Dec BP100 1684
-31Dec BV100 1684
23May-29May CS2HD 1728
24May-31May CT9/DJ2YE.. 1729 *
-31Dec CW5RV 1711
-May D2AK 1675
21May-30May Pellworm (DLs) 1728
-31Aug DL20Y2DM 1700
22May-12Jun DL/HB9SVT 1728
-May DX8DX/DX8J 1728
22Apr-04Jun F/ON4LO/p 1724
-Aug FO8RZ 1636
-Jul/12 FR8NE 1710
31May-03Jun GB1KLD 1729 *

-31Dec HB60LU 1711
-31Dec HG15IPA 1724
01Jan-31Dec HG200LST 1708
-30Jun HG2011A 1713
-05Jun HI3/KL7JR 1717/1721
01Jan-31Dec IA7MM 1708
01Jan-31Dec II1ITA.. 1708
-31May II3AC 1726
May IL7A 1726
01Mar-30Sep IO4UI 1717
-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul/12 J28RO 1683
26May-05Jun J48HW 1729 *
21May-31May J79FCG.. 1728

24May-26May K6VVA/6 1728
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
-May/12 KH4/W5FJG 1728
POSTPONED KH5 1674/1705
-31Dec LA200D 1713
28May-31May LA/DL2RNS.. 1729 *

May LZ2011KM 1727
-31Dec LZ85R 1721
May &Aug OL100VP 1721
Jun OL1911VP 1721
Apr &Jul OL2011VP 1721
May OL950CHEB 1725
22May-03Jun OY/PA2A.. 1728
22May-12Jun OZ/DG9SEH 1728
26May-30May OZ/DF7MR.. 1729 *
22May-17Jun OZ/DL4VM 1729 *

-Sep P29CW 1713
01Jan-31Dec PA30.. 1708
01May-28May PC65ISWL 1725
May PD04ISLE 1725
24May-31May PJ4/K4BAI.. 1729 *
-Jun PP0T 1725
-31May R1945HS 1726
-Dec RI1ANC 1708
May SD7V/3 1729 *
01May-31Jul SQ100MSC 1725
17May-28May SV9/OK1AMM.. 1728
-Jul T6TL 1695/1727
-30May TJ3IC 1728
29May-06Jun TM24H 1729 *
04Jun/05Jun TM90LH 1727
09Jul/10Jul TM90LH 1727
21May-26May TM0Z 1728

-31May UN50.. 1726
24May-31May V26E 1729 *
19May-Jul V31XB 1728
-28May V63DX.. 1729 *
-31May VC2CQ85 1726
30May-07Jun VE7/DK6AO 1729 *
-Mar/12 VK0KEV (Macq) 1700/1701
-Jun VK0M/ZL4DB/p 1725
May -Aug W3CVD/4 1726
NOW XT2RJA 1712
May YN2ET.. 1729 *
-Sep ZD9GI 1691
-31Dec ZL50GH 1711

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

AN7ITU via EA7NL
AX7GN via VK7GN (B)
BY1/OD5LN via OD5VR

CR55PQ via CT1EHX (B)
CT3FQ via CT3KN (B)
CT7/LZ3ND via LZ3ND (d, CT address)
CU3DX via CU3EJ (B)
CV5K via CX2ABC (B)
DL/HB9SVT via HB9SVT (B), (L), eQSL
DL1THM/C6A via DL1THM (B)
EA7/G1WUU via G1WUU eQSL only
ED8RCP via EA8RCP
EF7ABV via EC7ABV
EG1EMB via EB1CC (B)
EG5TSL via EA5HRE (B), eQSL
EG9RCE via EA9CE (B), eQSL
GB2LST via M0XIG (B), (L)
GR3NKC via G3NKC (B), (L), eQSL
GR3OFT via GM3OFT
GR3OUF via G3OUF
GR3PJT via G3PJT
GR3PPE via GM3PPE (B)
GR3PYU via GM3PYU
GR4CPA via G4CPA (d)
GR4VTB via GM4VTB
GR4XAW via GM4XAW, eQSL only!
GR4XEX via G4XEX (B), eQSL
GR4XMD via GM4XMD (d), (L)
GR4XQJ via GM4XQJ (B)
GR4XXJ via GW4XXJ
GR4YMM via GM4YMM
GR4ZIB via G4ZIB (B), eQSL
GR4ZOM via GW4ZOM
GR5PH via GW5PH
GR6AFB via GD6AFB
GR8LUV via G8LUV
GR8MHU via GM8MHU
GR8OGI via GW8OGI (B)
GR8RKC via GI8RKC
GR8RQI via GI8RQI
GR8SVB via GM8SVB
GR8TRO via GW8TRO
GR8YYM via GI8YYM
H77REX via TI4SU (d)
HF0JP via SP4ICP (B), eQSL
HF1JPII via SP2ZAO (B)
HF45BRP via SP9BRP (B)
HF90TPS via SP6ZJP (B)
HI3/KL7JR via KL7JR (d)
HB0/DL1GBM via DL1GBM (B)
HB9SOLAR via HB9ACA (B)
HR5/F2JD via F6AJA (B)
I5/I0SBA/p via I0SBA

IE9Z via IT9TFX (B)
IQ4FA via IZ4UEZ (B)
IR3WFF via IW3ILM (B)
IR5ONU via I5KKW (B), eQSL
IR0LG via IZ0NNI (B)
J79FCG via K1TO (B)
JW1RCC via LA1RCC (B)
JW7XM via LA7XM
KH2RU/KP4 via NP3O (d)
LZ2011KM via LZ1BJ (B), LoTW
M3UGZ via M0TOR
M3YES via M0TOR
MR1EAA via MW1EAA
MR1EDF via M1EDF (B)
MR1HMV via MM1HMV (B)
MR1JWF via MM1JWF (B), eQSL
MR1LCR via MW1LCR (B)
MR1MAJ via M1MAJ
MR1MDH via MW1MDH
MR1VTB via MM1VTB
MR3AVB via MW3AVB
MR3AVC via MW3AVC
MR3BRR via MM3BRR
MR3CBF via MW3CBF
MR3JFM via M3JFM
MR3LJB via MD3LJB
MR3MLD via MD3MLD
MR3NYR via MW3NYR (B)
MR3OBL via MW3OBL
MR3PTS via MM3PTS (d), eQSL
MR3RLA via MI3RLA
MR3TFF via MI3TFF
MR3UFN via MW3UFN
MR3UIX via MM3UIX
MR3UVL via MM3UVL
MR3WHM via MI3WHM
MR3WJZ via MM3WJZ
M0PAM via K9HAW (W/VE), RW6HS (rest), (d) email request: m0dol@aol.com
MR0OXO via M0OXO (B), (L)
OH/IK2JYT/p via IK2JYT (B)
OJ0W via OH3WS (B)
OK/SQ5GLB via SQ5GLB (B)
OP7V via ON7VA (B)
P29CS via M0URX (B)
RP66RZ via RK3IXB
RP66S via RK3LWA
RP66T via RK3PWA
RP66TH via RZ1AWA
RP66TV via RA3IS
RP66V via RZ0LWA

RP66VA via RK3LWU
RP66VL via UA1WGV
RP66VLK via RZ6JWW
SX5F via SV1HER (B), (L), eQSL
T32TV via KH6CG (d), eQSL
TC130ATA via TA1HZ (B)
TC7VLH via TA1HZ (B)
TE8X via TI5AA (d)
TJ3IC via F5LGE (B)
TM20KJJ via F6KJJ (B), (L), eQSL
TM22P via F4EUG (B)
TM28RT via F5KIN (B)
UK8IWA via RW6HS (d)
UP50ASTR via EA7FTR
V84SFD via V85TL (d)
WU1ITU via KA1R (B)
YR30DP via YO8AXP (B)
ZS1/RZ6DD via RZ6DD (B)
3W7W via W3HNK (d)
4F9HXB via DL5SDF (B)
4J3M via DL7EDH (d)
5P7XJ via OZ7XJ (B)
6W/RK4FF via RK4FF
7S6W via SM6MIS (B), SM6WET (d)
YR30DP (d)
8J7HOPE no QSLs
8N1SKY via (B), (d) JA: via JG1HUF, DX: via JP1EWY
8S0ITU via SK0CC (B)
9M2/GM4YXI via N3SL (B)

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(*) = new QSL manager
(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) = e-mail request

QSLs arrived direct: E51CG, PJ4LS, VU4PB (W3HNK), 5M2TT (I2ASB)

QSLs arrived bureau: J39A

CEPT Recommendation T/R 61-01 and ECC/REC/(05)06 implemented in Russia
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On Wednesday, May 18, the European Communications Office (ECO) in Copenhagen
announced the implementation of the CEPT licence in the Russian Federation.
This applies to the full CEPT licence and also to the CEPT Novice Licence.
It is now possible to conduct amateur radio operation in Russia within the
CEPT recommendation.

CQWW WPX Contest, CW - Further announcements:

The CQWW WPX Contest in CW will take place on May 28/29.
Following stations announced to be active (and were not mentioned before):

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Call Class QSL route
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A5? SOAB HP JH1AJT
B7P Multi/2 BD7IXG
C4N Multi/Single W3HNK (direct)
CR3A Multi/Single CT3EE
CR3L Multi/? DJ6QT
CT3FJ SOSB LP 20m direct to CT3FJ
ED8A SOAB LoTW
EF7X Multi/Single EA7GYS
EF8M SOAB HP UA3DX
HS7AT/8 SOSB 20m E21IZC (direct)
J48HW SOAB HA0HW
J49XF SOAB SV0XBN
J7A Multi/2 NX4N
KH7X SOAB K2PF
MJ0ASP SOAB LoTW
NH2T SOAB W2YC & LoTW
NH7A SOAB F5VHJ
OG0Z SOAB HP W0MM
P40W TBD N2MM & LoTW
P49Y SOAB AE6Y
SX8V SOAB SV1JG
TO8A (FM) SOAB HP R5GA & LoTW
VK6AA SOAB HP DL8YR
WP3C SOAB W3HNK (direct)
YN2ET Multi/Single N5ET
3V8BB SOAB LP LoTW
4L0A SOAB LoTW
5B/HA5PP SOSB HA5PP

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522. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 16 - 22 May 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-24 21:30:10 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20110524213001.E5EE533C6C@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4512
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.info

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:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2011 May 24 1842 UTC
# Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
# http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
#
# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
#
Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
16 - 22 May 2011

Solar activity was at very low to low levels, with predominantly
B-class flares. A C1 flare occurred at 18/1259 UTC from Region 1218
(N16, L=168, class/area Bxo/010 on 19 May), and a long duration C2
flare occurred at 18/1830 UTC from Region 1208 (N12, L=318,
class/area Dso/100 on 09 May). A long duration B3 flare occurred at
19/0436 UTC which was associated with a filament eruption centered
near N20W25.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
normal to moderate levels.

Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet to active levels, with an
isolated minor storm levels at high latitudes during 16-17 May.
During this time, wind speeds ranged from 428-610 km/s, while Bt
ranged from 11 to 2 nT, and Bz ranged from -6 to 7 nT. The increase
in activity was due to a favorably positioned coronal hole
high-speed stream. Activity decreased to quiet levels for the rest
of the period.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
25 May - 20 June 2011

Solar activity is expected to be very low, with a slight chance for
low levels between 25-30 May. Activity is expected to increase to
very low to low levels during the rest of the period, when old
Region 1208 returns during the rest of the period.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is
expected to be at normal to moderate levels. High levels are
expected during 29 May - 06 June.
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Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be at quiet levels on 25 May. Activity is expected to increase to quiet to active levels, with isolated minor storm levels at high latitudes during 26-30 May, due to a recurrent coronal hole high-speed stream. Activity is expected to decrease to predominantly quiet levels during 31 May - 10 June. Activity is expected to increase to during 11 - 12 June due to a recurrent coronal hole high-speed stream. Quiet levels are expected for the rest of the period.

523. HOT

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-25 01:35:27 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <83ee2c67-3067-4da4-a079-334b1d2af2c6@22g2000prx.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4513

for hot videos
http://verysexyhotvideos.blogspot.com/

hot lip kiss videos
http://allvideosforyouth.blogspot.com/2010/08/hot-lip-kiss-videos.html

super hot lip kiss
http://allvideosforyouth.blogspot.com/2010/08/super-hot-lip-kiss.html

jobs
http://alljobsaywhere.blogspot.com/

games

GAME 1
http://freeonlingamesplay.blogspot.com/2010/08/game-1.html
GAME 2
http://freeonlingamesplay.blogspot.com/2010/08/game-2.html

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mobile games free download
http://mobileallinforation.blogspot.com/2010/08/mobile-games-free-download.html

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524. [RAC-Bulletin] Message from Bill Unger, VE3XT - Distracted Diving legislation (Bill 118)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-25 03:28:49 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4DDC76CC.1070204@rac.ca>
Source record: 4514
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

This is a message from Bill Unger, VE3XT - RAC Director Ontario North/East who is co-ordinating the drive to exempt Amateurs in Ontario against the Distracted Driving legislation (Bill 118) .

Hello:

Just back from Dayton and we got a great response from a lot of Canadian hams who came by the booth and already planning for next year.

Why I am sending you this email is just a gentle reminder that I really need letters of support from 3rd party groups and organizations. If you help with communications for any group or are part of an emergency response procedure for your community we need a letter from them.

I am not looking for a letter asking or telling any one that we need to continue to be able to operate mobile but rather a strong statement that Amateurs are important to the operation of their event or emergency preparedness plan. We need to show the bureaucrats and technocrats that Amateurs are a vital group and provide many community services that so far has gone unnoticed. Stated simply, we need to ???get on their radar???. The letters can be addressed to either Kathleen Wynn or your individual group.

Once the legislators understand that Ontario Amateurs provide a service that fills the needs of many diverse groups and organizations across the province I believe we can change their minds. This logic has worked in other provinces and it will work here as well.

Thanks and please try to get those letters to me soon.

73

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Radio Amateurs of Canad
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http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

525. The ARES E-Letter for May 25, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-25 13:58:26 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20110525102115.3076125F7F@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 4515
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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The ARES E-Letter

Published by the American Radio Relay League
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Editor: Rick Palm, K1CE <k1ce@arrl.net>

==> JUST IN: JOPLIN, MISSOURI TORNADO DISASTER

Here is a brief report from Missouri SEC W0KRB, just forwarded by Dale Temple, W5RXU, Arkansas Section Manager, at press time: "Thanks to all who volunteered to help provide radio support for the Joplin tornado. Last night, Amateur Radio was used to provide communications between Freeman hospital (in Joplin) to the hospitals in Springfield to help provide information about resources needed in Joplin. We also had a link-up for Red Cross between the main office in Springfield and the satellite office in Joplin.

"John Howard, K0VET, activated the Missouri Emergency Services Net (MESN) and it was up until 2300 hours last night. It ended up steering a lot of people to the proper Web site for health and welfare messages. The hospital requirements for radio communications were terminated at 0900 this morning and at 5:00 PM tonight we are on a standby status for Red Cross between the two locations.

"We still have a couple of the Jasper County ARES® and Newton County ARES® members providing communications between the Red Cross Shelter and the HQ for Red Cross that was set up away from the normal chapter office as this is now a national-level Red Cross response. It is anticipated that this need will be fulfilled by noon tomorrow.

"Again, thanks to all of you for asking if you could help and especially for not self-deploying, which ends up adding to the problem. Our professionalism again came shining through. -- Kenneth Baremore, W0KRB, Section Emergency Coordinator ARES®, Missouri Section

The Associated Press called the event the worst single tornado disaster since 1950.

==> TORNADO DEVASTATION, RESPONSES IN THE SOUTHEAST

On April 27, 2011, two waves of tornadoes hit the region, causing massive damage and communication failures involving land-line phones,

the Internet, and cell services that were severely impaired across Alabama. More than 600,000 residences and businesses in north Alabama were without power for over a week.

The Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES®) successfully provided critical communications for multiple organizations. The time spent practicing and training on nets and exercises, building relationships and hard work paid off for ARES® when this disaster struck. ARES® worked.

The National Weather Service documented 53 separate destructive tornadoes in Alabama resulting in damage to many counties, and forever changing the lives of so many who call Alabama home. There were 28 tracks in north Alabama, with 6 EF-3, EF-4 and EF-5 tornadoes. 22 smaller but damaging EF-0, EF-1 and EF-2s. Numbers at a glance:

238 deaths; thousands of injuries; thousands of demolished homes and businesses; an EF-5 tornado traveled 132.5 miles; six EF-4 tornadoes traveled 6, 33, 47, 28, 20.5 and 28 miles in length; eight EF-3s; four EF-2

tornadoes traveled 20, 6.6, 2, and 26 miles in length; 130 high tension high-voltage line support structures/towers were demolished; 11 high-voltage transmission lines were out of service.

The President declared a Major Disaster for Alabama: the Federal declaration encompassed 42 counties. The NWS in Huntsville issued 92 tornado warnings, 31 severe thunderstorm warnings, and seven flash flood warnings.

ARES® operations began at 4 AM on Wednesday, April 27 as severe weather tracked into Alabama and continued to operate for the next 12 days. ARES® supported the State Emergency Management, local county Emergency Management, National Weather Service, American Red Cross, Southern Baptist Disaster Relief, The Salvation Army, and Volunteer Organizations Active in Disaster.

Amateur Radio had to face and contend with a major disaster scenario. A major city, Tuscaloosa, was severely hit, with multiple communications towers down, multiple counties and disaster areas involved, commercial and Amateur Radio repeaters gone or not operational, main utility power out, long lines at gas stations and grocery stores, many accepting cash only. Some hams were victims of this disaster but still provided Amateur Radio support.

I am proud of all the Amateur Radio operators that provided assistance during this long duration disaster. -- Greg Sarratt, W4OZK, Director, ARRL Southeastern Division

Here are links to ARRL coverage of the ARES tornado disaster responses:

5/11/2011 -- As Weather Clears in Southeast, Hams Continue to Provide Support

<http://www.arrl.org/news/as-weather-clears-in-southeast-hams-continue-to-provide-support>

5/4/2011 -- Northern Florida Hams Respond to Aftermath of Alabama Storm

<http://www.arrl.org/news/northern-florida-hams-respond-to-aftermath-of-alabama-storm>

5/2/2011 -- The ARRL Ham Aid Fund Needs Your Help to Support Radio Communications in Alabama
<http://www.arrl.org/news/the-arrl-ham-aid-fund-needs-your-help-to-support-radio-communications-in-alabama>

5/2/2011 -- Georgia Hams Hasten to Help During Storms
<http://www.arrl.org/news/georgia-hams-hasten-to-help-during-storms>

4/28/2011 -- Tornadoes and Thunderstorms Keep Radio Amateurs Busy in Midwest, Southeast
<http://www.arrl.org/news/tornadoes-and-thunderstorms-keep-radio-amateurs-busy-in-midwest-southeast>

A good example of an after-action report comes from ARES® AEC Alan Sieg, WB5RMG, of Huntsville-Madison County, Alabama and is included in this issue. He adds: "That report came from deep inside, and I've had several personal responses from people within the EMA, acknowledging

that depth. Many of these issues are still very close to the surface with us, and we expect them to be for some time. This is normal, we process it. Writing and sharing is part of my process. It's hard sometimes, but it helps. This sharing is some slight good to come from such a tragedy. In that light, I have also just updated our Huntsville-Madision County EMA/EOC/ARES® blog <http://w4hmc.wordpress.com/2011/05/18/alabama-tornado-outbreak/> with the sitreps that our group posted to our SEC."

2011 Atlantic Hurricane Season Forecast: "Above Average"

Forecasters with the National Hurricane Center (NHC <http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/>) are calling for an "above-average" Atlantic hurricane season for 2011. In its initial outlook for the 2011 Atlantic hurricane season -- which runs from June 1-November 30 -- the National Weather Service's Climate Prediction Center (CPC <http://www.cpc.ncep.noaa.gov/>) is calling for a 65 percent probability of an above-normal season, a 25 percent probability of a near-normal season and a 10 percent probability of a below-normal season. -- ARRL

Get ready now: Here <http://www.arrl.org/news/forecasters-calling-for-above-average-hurricane-season>is a good article on hurricane planning and preparedness for all radio amateurs. Also, the following notice was just received from National Hurricane Center assistant station coordinator WD4R:

WX4NHC Hurricane Season 2011 On-The-Air Station Test

When: Saturday, June 4, 2011, 9AM - 5 PM eastern time. The purpose of this event is to test the National Hurricane Center <http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/> Amateur Radio station equipment in preparation for this year's hurricane season. Station operators will be making informal contacts on many frequencies and modes. They would appreciate signal reports and basic weather data exchange ("Sunny," or "Rain," etc.) from stations in any location.

WX4NHC will be on-the-air on HF, VHF, UHF and 2 and 30 meter APRS. They plan to test on the following voice frequencies +/- QRM: 3.950 MHz, 7.268 MHz, 14.325 MHz, 21.325 MHz, and 28.425 MHz. The operators will try to stay on 14.325 MHz most of the time and announce when they QSY.

Readers may be able to find the operation on HF by using one of the DX spotting networks, such as the DX Summit Web Site <http://www.dxsummit.fi/Search.aspx>. They will also be on the VoIP Hurricane Net <http://www.voipwx.net/> 1 PM - 3 PM (IRLP node 9219/EchoLink WX-TALK Conference node 7203). Southern Florida area VHF and UHF repeaters will also be contacted. QSL cards will be available via WD4R. Please send your card with a SASE. Please do NOT send QSLs directly to the Hurricane Center address. For more information about WX4NHC, please click here <http://www.wx4nhc.org/>. Thank you. -- Julio Ripoll, WD4R, WX4NHC Amateur Radio Assistant Coordinator

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Here is a link <http://www.nytimes.com/2011/05/23/opinion/23mon1.html?_r=1&hp>to a current New York Times editorial on the need for an emergency communications system that is compatible across jurisdictions. Interesting reading.

The 2011 Dayton Hamvention® is in the history books. I asked Greg Sarratt, W4OZK, who attended the event, about emcomm and ARES forums there. He reported "I spent most of the weekend in the ARRL Emcomm booth meeting ARES® members, EC's, DEC's, served agencies' personnel and many emcomm interested amateurs. I enjoyed talking with many hams from all across the nation about emergency communications. The FCC emcomm and ARRL ARES® forums were informative, must-attend events for ARES® leadership and membership. They were packed.

"The FCC's Curt Bartholomew, N3GQ and William Cross, W3TN, gave the Commission's annual emergency communications information update. Discussion items included the ARRL Amateur Radio course for emergency managers, an upcoming emcomm survey, and a review of FEMA head Craig Fugate's speech that included praise for the viability of Amateur Radio emergency communications.

"ARRL ARES® forum speaker Mike Corey, W5MPC, the ARRL's Emergency Preparedness Manager, talked about the recent success of ARES in the southeastern tornado disaster and discussed the importance of ARES

member image, training and exercises.Corey showed how ARES works and
debunked some myths." Thanks, Greg. -- K1CE

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==> 2011 NATIONAL HURRICANE CONFERENCE A WRAP

Hosting ARRL Southeastern Division Director Greg Sarratt, W4OZK, summed
it up: "Amateur Radio at the 2011
<http://webmail.cfl.rr.com/do/redirect?url=http%253A%252F%252Fwww.hurricanemeeting.com%252
F>National
Hurricane Conference was a success! The Conference leadership recognize
the valuable contribution of Amateur Radio operators and again invited
us to participate with two sessions at this year's conference held in
Atlanta, Georgia last month. What a great opportunity for Amateur
Radio."

The National Hurricane Conference <http://www.hurricanemeeting.com/>
(NHC), billed as the nation's forum for education and professional
training in hurricane and disaster preparedness, was held in Atlanta
during the week of April 18-22. Anyone interested in hurricane
preparedness, response, recovery and mitigation could hear about and
share experiences as they went about planning for the 2011 hurricane
season. The conference held at the Hyatt Regency conference center in
downtown Atlanta was attended by about 1400 people from federal, state
and local governments, the private sector, businesses, VOADs and the
ARRL. Amateur Radio was well represented: Representatives from the
ARRL, WX4NHC <http://www.wx4nhc.org/>, the Amateur Radio Station at the
National Hurricane Center <http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/>, the Hurricane
Watch Net <http://www.hwn.org/> (HWN) and VoIP Hurricane Net
<http://www.voipwx.net/> (VoIPWXNet) completed several presentations at
the conference as well as a presentation at Georgia Tech for area ham
radio clubs.

Nearly 40 people attended the Amateur Radio Disaster Communications
Workshop titled "Disaster Communications, Before, During and After
Hurricanes," on the afternoon of April 18. WX4NHC Amateur Radio
Coordinator John McHugh, K4AG, and Assistant Coordinator Julio Ripoll,

WD4R, explained the 30 year history of their work at the National Hurricane Center and the importance of measured surface data and damage reports. The pair told how this knowledge helps hurricane specialists to make better forecasts. They also told some stories and showed videos from several of the most critical activations over the past few years including emergency communications and interoperability involved in the deployment of operators in the aftermath of the earthquake in Haiti.

ARRL Southeastern Division Director Greg Sarratt, W4OZK, and Ken Bailey, K1FUG, Emergency Preparedness Assistant from ARRL HQ surprised Ripoll with an award from the ARRL for his dedication and service during the Haiti earthquake of 2010. On Wednesday, he also received the conference Distinguished Service Award for his tireless efforts over thirty years as Amateur Radio coordinator at WX4NHC. The award reads "exceptional service in providing emergency communication during hurricane events over three decades while leading [the] WX4NHC Amateur Radio station at the National Hurricane Center." For a more in-depth story of Ripoll and the Amateur Radio station he co-founded, click here <http://www.arrl.org/news/wx4nhc-assistant-coordinator-honored-at-national-hurricane-conference>.

Director of Operations of the VoIP Hurricane Net Rob Macedo, KD1CY, gave a presentation on the net and the role it plays in gathering data for WX4NHC. He explained how it also can be used to connect various National Weather Service forecast offices, as well as local and regional Emergency Operation Centers during hurricanes. As Macedo explained "The VoIP Hurricane Net relays info to WX4NHC using any and all means of reliable information from all sources to give WX4NHC the most information possible from the surface during a hurricane."

Greg Sarratt, W4OZK, a member of the League's Board of Directors (Southeasten Division) and veteran ARES and emcomm leader, gave a presentation on the Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES), how it works in the field and interaction with ARRL HQ.

That evening, area hams who could not attend the conference were invited to the campus of Georgia Tech to hear the same presenters give similar presentations. A big thank you to Andrea Hartlage, KG4IUM, ARRL Southeastern Division Vice Director and newly elected president of the Georgia Tech Amateur Radio Club, for arranging the use of the Molecular Science and Engineering buildings lecture hall for the talks.

On Tuesday morning, Dennis Dura, K2DCD, and Rob Macedo, KD1CY, were among several speakers who hosted a workshop for about 20 emergency management officials and representatives of government agencies. The workshop focused on situational awareness and disaster intelligence, stressing its importance to Emergency Management and how it creates more opportunities to utilize Amateur Radio. The presentation was followed by a question-and-answer session relating to Amateur Radio emcomm. "Collecting and gathering data and sharing information and reporting during disasters is another way Amateur Radio can assist beyond the typical message handling," Dura said. This rap session

concept was started several years ago when Dennis Dura, K2DCD and Greg Sarratt found the forum worthwhile in explaining the ARRL's role in emergency communications to Emergency Management and other served agencies. This interaction continues to prove very valuable to emergency management and Amateur Radio.

All sessions were videotaped through the efforts of professional videographer and ARRL Eastern Massachusetts ARES® Assistant Section Emergency Coordinator Jim Palmer, KB1KQW. The videos should be available later this year on the North Shore Radio Association (NSRA) Web site <http://www.nsradio.org/video>. Meanwhile, be sure to watch videos of pasts NHC conference's and Southern New England SKYWARN related videos. Of special interest to all SKYWARN volunteers was Rob Macedo, KD1CY discussing the Southern New England SKYWARN Program on the Weather Channel <http://www.nsradio.org/video/features/mediaclips/WeatherChannel/>.

This year's conference is now history and while we hope for a quiet hurricane season, we left with the confidence that the knowledge received would increase our effectiveness should the worst happen. Next year the National Hurricane Conference is scheduled to be held in Orlando, Florida, March 26 - 30, 2012. Hope to see you there. - Ken Bailey, K1FUG <http://www.qrz.com/db/k1fug>, Emergency Preparedness Assistant, ARRL HQ

==> ARES® DIGEST

Goochland County, Virginia ARES® Activates for Outage

April 26 seemed to just be another day and, as usual, I had already begun the Central Virginia Six Meter Net early to list check-ins. There were two stations from North Carolina near Raleigh already waiting their turns for comments.

The phone rang, and the voice on the other end I knew well: it was Bill Mackay, County Fire and Rescue Chief. ARES® was needed as the agency was suffering communications problems. "The dispatch frequency is not working to our fire/rescue stations and we need emergency backup communications at all fire rescue stations and the EOC." My response was simply "OK, Bill."

My heart began to race as I began to make several calls. The first was to Ray Clemons, WB4IKL, and within a few minutes he was in route to station Co#6. The next two calls were to Mat Long, N4MI, and Ned Creasy, AE4ID. Just as quickly, they were headed to cover Co#2 and Co #5. I called Rick Cook, AB4U, EC for Hanover County. He only asked "Where do you need me?" He was soon headed to cover Co#3.

As I headed to the EOC, Dennis Pinner, N4DEN, came up on the Goochland call-up repeater. After explaining the situation, he responded to Co#1. Within an hour we had five stations and the EOC up and running. I called and advised Chief Mackay that we had coverage in place for all

stations except, Co#4. I asked if he wanted the coverage for any stations shifted. He said that the coverage was fine and that he would advise if any changes were needed. We later had "Medic 50" sign up with Beau Bouharoun, N4SIR, an Advanced Cardiac Life Supporter.

All stations were able to respond to the EOC when connected as we had all sites already pre-equipped with radios, power supplies, antennas, and manuals with several log and message handling forms. Chief Mackay came into the EOC and asked me to pass along his thanks to all of the radio amateurs. He also expressed his surprise that we were able to respond to the request as quickly as we did.

In accordance with protocols, I called to advise the District Six EC of the situation: Anthony Harbour, KG4YXP, is a very good person to have close by in any given situation. He is a great radio operator and computer guru as well as an Advanced Cardiac Life Supporter and Registered Nurse. This call resulted in several other amateur operators ready as stand-bys.

Thankfully, business was slow. We handled communication from a call to co#3. There had been an accident and this info was relayed to the EOC. Shortly after noon, with all equipment back in service, a stand down was declared. The call-up had lasted from 0800 to 1230. We were again thanked by Chief Bill Mackay for our support and the confidence he gained in our abilities and willingness to respond.

I thank all of the operators involved for their support and participation. Many had changed plans or had to take time off from work to provide this coverage. This demonstrates their devotion to the service of our community. I am sure that this sentiment is shared by many other ARES® groups as well. -- Ralph Fetty, Sr., W4FEG, Emergency Coordinator, Goochland County, Virginia

York County, PA Tornado Activation

Saturday night, April 16, 8:00 PM -- The York County, Pennsylvania ARES®/RACES/SKYWARN group (YARS) assembled on the air due to an Extreme Weather Alert. Members reported high winds and heavy rain. There was a report of a possible tornado near Hanover, Pennsylvania. Within minutes I heard that familiar sound of a freight train rushing past my house, accompanied by loud cracking noises and a power outage. After it had passed, my wife and I made a visual inspection. Four sections of our fence and a mature spruce tree were down and a huge flowering pear tree was down on the roof of our neighbors' house.

It wasn't until Monday afternoon that the NWS declared it to have been a tornado after determining evidence of rotational wind damage. -- Chris Palm, WY6Z, York, Pennsylvania

==> REFLECTIONS ON ALABAMA TORNADO DISASTER: ON DOING MORE

I would like to think that the years of training and decades of Field Day practice allowed me to provide my community, the Huntsville/Madison

County area, with the level of support that was needed after the tornadoes of April 27. Surely with all my experience helping with Red Cross sheltering after blizzards and hurricanes, all the planning sessions and tabletops and so on and so forth, I had what it takes.

What I feel has made the most difference this time is the fact that our EMA is well known and well respected in this community. Add to that the fact that our radio group is also well known and respected by this EMA. These two factors added up to our group's ability to step into action immediately without any need to organize further, or be in-processed as raw recruits might. We were already on the inside.

Yes, our training helped. We performed just as we have practiced time and time again, and we adapted successfully to a changing environment. However, I feel that my tasking was greatly empowered by one simple fact: that I held an official credential - a standardized ID card issued by the EMA, and it was easily recognized within the ICS infrastructure on the scene. No one ever challenged my presence or my inquiries. My job could have been more challenging and much less effective.

My job on the surface was to pass messages, primarily in support of a VOAD member, the Northern Alabama Medical Reserve Corps. Their task was to establish a field clinic at the Sparkman School, just south of the Anderson Hills area that was so heavily hit. When I realized that this location was also the support base for dozens of visiting law enforcement troops, and was becoming a major supply and staging area, I recognized that I could do more to help than just talk on the radio.

I wanted to become a hub of information management: who, what, when, and where. I identified and introduced myself to anyone who would listen: school administration, county commissioners, lunch-ladies and janitors, Sheriff deputies and officers from Madison County, SWAT teams from Montgomery and Mobile, the captains and lieutenants from the National Guard who knew who I was, and even the guy that changed 90 flats on the patrol cars that first night.

I spoke with neighborhood residents and volunteers, doctors and patients. My message was simple: "You have questions - I can get you answers." They all knew that they could come to me with their questions. And I knew where to go and who to ask about what, when, and anything in between.

Communication is an essential piece of managing the information. Talking on the radio was simple, because I've had practice - it's second nature. Listening and building these relationships was also simple - because I cared. My message to you now? Don't be afraid to care, and do more than pass messages. I have never been more proud than to be a part of such an effective group. We made a huge difference. This community knows what we can do, and we know we will gladly do it again whenever we need to. -- Alan Sieg, WB5RMG <wb5rmg@arrl.net>, Assistant Emergency Coordinator, Huntsville-Madison County ARES&#65533;/RACES

<http://hmcraces.org/BB/>, Alabama

==> N5FDL'S SEVEN TIPS: HOW TO BE A VOLUNTEER THAT LEADERS LOVE

Having spent two months talking about how to build and kill EMCOMM groups, this month I'll touch on what it takes to be the volunteer every leader wants on his or her team. Here are seven tips:

Sign-up and show-up - This is really simple, but can't be overstated. Leaders need dependable volunteers and need them to commit early. We need to be able to plan based on the number of volunteers we can expect. So sign-up early, let your leader know if your plans are "tentative," and cancel as soon as you know you cannot attend. That makes the planning job much, much easier. Ten people who become available the "day of" aren't very helpful, unless I have ten unexpected no-shows.
People respect our group because they know if we commit to something, we will deliver. This group reliability depends on volunteers who are equally reliable.

Dress like an emergency communications professional -- I feel stupid saying this, but what we wear impacts the image of all Amateurs. Now that we wear orange or green safety vests much of the time, individual fashion expression is not so apparent to served agencies or the public. However, as unpaid professionals we need to look like the paid professionals we work alongside.

In general, dress in office work/casual office attire when on an assignment, unless you have a special reason (cleared with your leaders) for dressing differently. If you don't wear an official government-issued patch, I am not wild about uniforms. I have a Sheriff's SAR uniform - silver badge and all - and I try very hard not to wear it. Polo shirts (with your group's logo) are almost always the best thing to wear. Try not to have too many logos or call signs (even your own) visible at the same time.

Smile, Darn Ya, Smile! - We all have better and worse days, but great volunteers develop a "game face" and "game attitude" they bring to public events. Whiners are not allowed. Egos get checked at the door. No, it really isn't about you, it's just what net control said or did, probably without thinking, and usually in the heat of the moment.

Seek Feedback (And Offer It) - We all need to talk about what we do well as well as where we could improve. Volunteers need to understand that the people who provide feedback (volunteer bosses) are sometimes insensitive louts. Please forgive us. We didn't mean to hurt your feelings and it really isn't personal. Nor is it personal when you tell leaders how we might improve. We are here to serve the public and our communities and we win or lose as a team.

The key to this is being a decent human being and treating others the way you'd want to be treated yourself. Sound familiar?

Build Your Skills - Newcomer mistakes must be forgiven. And some people - like me - make the same silly mistakes over and over. But, we need to constantly "sharpen the saw," as the book 7 Habits of Highly Successful People calls it. Great volunteers sharpen the saw on a regular basis. The reason we provide support for all these bike rides, community fairs, rodeos and other non-emergency events is two-fold. Sometimes these events become real emergencies. Mostly, though, we're training for when "the big one" (whatever that is where you live) happens. Use these events to train yourself while having fun. Then read, take classes, do free online training, anything to improve your skills. Reading this newsletter is a good use of your time.

Help solve problems - I was really pleased at a recent event when our volunteers at a remote site solved problems that occurred at their location without help from anyone. It was an issue related to signals and geography and these were new hams - all KJ6 call signs - who took initiative and made things better on the spot. And some people say HamCram hams are know-nothings! In the process, they improved our ability to serve the organization we were working for. Great volunteers give great customer service.

Observe Lines of Authority - Not long ago, I came unglued (it had been a bad day) when a fairly inexperienced volunteer tried to do something that went against the goals of the organization. It was not ill-intended, just inexperience. But, it was the second or third problem. This was a hugely promising volunteer, who just needed to understand why certain things are done the way they are. Even insensitive louts sometimes have good reasons behind their logic.

Good volunteers have ideas and want something to do. They want to contribute but can be overly enthusiastic and cause problems without meaning to. Long story short, the volunteer and I decided to give each other the benefit of the doubt, and at his first event he performed marvelously. He wants to become a leader and at the rate he is going, he will. But, he will need to work within the rules of the organization and ask questions before just "doing."

This is another way of saying, "Respect your elders." But if you feel your local leaders are killing the group don't just sit and watch it happen. That is a topic for another column, based on some of the letters I've been getting from E-Letter readers.

"What did you do at the bike race, dear?" That is what my wife, K6SWE, asked Saturday after I got home from working all day at a bicycle race. As leader of the group, I delegated much of the organizing to Matt, KI6ZTY, who served as net control. I purposely arrived late so Matt and his assistant NCS, Conrad, KJ6CNV, would get started without me. They did just fine, though I was ready to jump in if needed (I can delegate tasks but not responsibility).

What did I do from 0730 until 1530? Mostly drive around to make sure things were going OK. I occasionally cut in on the radio to ask a question, offer a clarification, and help handle emergencies -four

riders were injured during the day.

The most critical thing I did was help get our operators moved around and instructed as to how to assist Highway Patrol, fire and race organizers when a racer had to be airlifted from the scene after a crash. I also took the injured woman's friends and their bikes back to the start line and later hauled in another rider with a minor injury and her bike. I also filled in at various locations when operators needed a break, etc.

What was the most important thing I did? I made sure our operators all got the lunches and t-shirts the race organizers provided for them. I made deliveries when necessary and made sure everyone was taken care of. My operators, hopefully, felt supported, fed, happy, and got a nice souvenir for their efforts.

Making the troops as happy as possible is key for any manager's success--especially when the workers are not getting paid. Leaders exist to support their volunteers, not vice versa. - ARES® E-Letter Contributing Editor David Coursey, N5FDL <http://www.qrz.com/db/n5fdl>, is an emcomm leader in San Joaquin County, California and author of the N5FDL.com blog.

==> LETTERS

On "HamCrams," April Issue

I am responding to the "HamCram" article and comments in the last issue. I have been licensed since 1959. I have been an active member of Nassau County, New York ARES® for nearly 30 years. I have worked with kids in school radio clubs at least since 1977 when I started work at Brooklyn Technical High School (W2CXN). My home club is the Long Island Mobile Amateur Radio Club (LIMARC) where I presently hold the title of Education Committee Chair. I am a retired public school chemistry teacher.

In my experience trying to teach classes to high school students and adults, traditional multi-session courses have not been very effective. The attrition rate has been very frustrating. Many who start never get to the exam. In the past year I have led a team of volunteer instructors in four 1-day cram/review sessions. The ground rules were that everyone who signed up was required to study in advance. We suggested, but did not prescribe which books, media, on-line resources, etc. they needed to use. These sessions that started at 8 AM and went through the question pool by 3:30 PM were followed immediately by VE sessions administered by a separate team of VEs.

The results were most encouraging. The Technician session results were 15 of 15, 13 of 13 and 4 of 7. The three who did not pass at the last session told us that they had not studied in advance. On April 10, the same team conducted a General class upgrade session resulting in 9 of 11 passing. One missed by one question and one had not studied. The

bottom line is that these cram/review sessions only work when a person is committed enough to have done some individual studying.

We maintain a Yahoo group as a forum for support. Our experience has been that passing grades were typically 30 correct or more, including several 35s.

Our view is that getting the license is similar to what I used to hear about driving. Get the license and then learn to be a driver, or in this case an Amateur Radio operator. LIMARC and our county ARES® and CERT/RACES groups are all working to provide the hands-on experience in drills and public service events that are needed to make them effective.

We are exploring the idea of more traditional classes aimed at filling in the gaps that were glossed over during the pre-exam review sessions. The model that seems to be coming together would be open to all interested regardless of license held. There would be no pressure or anxiety about taking an exam at the end. Topics would be chosen from the various license manuals with sessions held prior to our regular monthly meetings.

The comments about inexperienced operators not knowing how to manage their stations in an emergency are a real concern, but it has always been so. Our fellow hams have always responded to emergencies when the need arose. I remember the first hurricane that I operated in, Donna, in 1960. When an Avianca plane ran out of fuel and crashed on the north shore of Long Island, there was an ad hoc response that was overwhelming. The same was true in the days after the 9/11 attacks in NYC and during the 2003 blackout.

You are absolutely correct that we do not have enough operators to meet the potential emcomm needs in nearly any serious situation. Since we always experience an ad hoc response and must transform these new volunteers into an effective team, which ones are likely to be better operators? I have contended for some time that they are not likely to come from the NTS ops, but from the DXers and contesters. It is in this regard that I am promoting participation in FD this year, especially by our newly licensed and upgraded hams. In order to be a skilled operator, one needs to operate. Drills and 'athons are good, but may not be enough to keep the attention of many. One needs to have fun with our hobby. It is not a job. More than 52 years of experience and still eagerly learning. Keep up the good work. - Lew Malchick, N2RQ <n2rq@arrl.net>, East Meadow, New York

Video: Interview with NC Ham who lost Home in Tornado

Readers might be interested in a video I posted on the Brightleaf Amateur Radio Club Web site <http://www.w4amc.com/>. One of our members, Hollis Thigpen, KC3X, of Snow Hill, North Carolina, lost his home in the April 16 tornadoes that came through the eastern part of the state. The video is two minutes long, from WCTI-12, New Bern.

Hollis is interviewed the next day at his home. Also, here <http://www.w4amc.com/> are photos and captions I made at the KC3X QTH 13 days later showing a lot of the destruction, including the 72 foot US Tower bent over at the base. - Dave Langley, W4YDY <http://www.qrz.com/db/W4YDY>, Brightleaf ARC Ham Chatter Editor; Brightleaf ARC Web site Editor, North Carolina

Do's and Don'ts for EmComm Success

I have experienced all of the things on the lists published in the last couple of issues by David Coursey, N5FDL. I would add that probably the most important "Do" is to communicate freely. Sometimes this is the most difficult, but it really needs to be emphasized. What we did in New Mexico when we established the state SAR organization is to ask each team what they thought their expertise is/was. Then we made it clear to them that they would be called when we needed that expertise, otherwise they would be put on standby. That way we did not wear out all of the teams.

On the subject of a simple H-T, I await a response to see if what you published will get any feedback. Meanwhile, I plan to check out the H-T you reviewed in the March issue of QST and see if it meets all the things that I suggested. It is imperative that it be simple enough that one can program it without the book being close at hand. - Bob Skaggs, KB5RX <http://www.qrz.com/db/kb5rx>, Santa Fe, New Mexico

AA Battery/Power Solutions

I found a simple and economical way to have all the battery power I need: Get the correct size AA holders from a place like Jameco or Parts Express and put a few in parallel for longevity. Then add a flexible cable with a power connector on the end that will fit your HT. The battery holders generally will fit nicely into a small arms army surplus ammo pouch and fit on any belt even though the pouches are made for the ALICE belt (that belt is also the most comfortable). See my emcomm web page <http://www.freewebs.com/ai4wm/emergencycommunications.htm>.

In re a simple H-T, I had one of the overly-complicated newer H-Ts and I reverted back to my old standby ICOM IC-2AT. It is a very simple, basic VHF-only H-T and it works fine with my home-brew battery pack. The problem with the old IC-2AT is that a tone board must be added. Being a fire fighter at heart I like to keep it simple and functional. Fancy stuff in an emergency usually just gets in the way and hampers the operation. - Bill MacLane, AI4WM <http://www.qrz.com/db/ai4wm>, Palm Coast, Florida

Timely, Twitter and Passwords

In re last month's article on Twitter alerting, the author suggests creating a "strong password that you might share with just a few people in your group so they could post the alert if you were unavailable. Board members or the club president would be some examples of who you

might grant posting access to."

You don't have to share your password, if you use http://timely.is/ YOU set up Timely for the account. YOU add users to the Timely account. Your group that you allow can post Tweets, either scheduled or within 30 minutes. It's a great tool for networking and team building. Hope that helps. -- Lloyd Colston, KC5FM <http://www.qrz.com/db/KC5FM>, Altus, OK EMA http://wx5em.us

Simple H-Ts

Just a quick note that the simple thumbwheel-operated H-T described in KB5RX's letter is not a TH-22; it's probably an ICOM IC-2AT. I own several of the Kenwood TH series handhelds (2m, 70cm, 23cm), and they all program the same and are fairly simple to use. For the most-used function (set up and store a repeater pair) I have the process coded on an adhesive label on the back of each radio. For the less-used commands, a photo-reduced, laminated function chart I produced in Excel stays in my wallet. -- Marty Woll, N6VI <http://www.qrz.com/db/n6vi>, Vice Director, ARRL Southwestern Division; Assistant DEC, ARES&#65533;LAX

Formidable Footprint

Formidable Footprint is a free online Emergency Response Tabletop Exercise Series sponsored by Disaster Resistant Communities Group (DRC-Group), Depiction software, and Stoneybrook Group LLC. It is a Web-based interactive real-time drill which will take about three hours to complete. It features pictures, video, audio and interactive maps. Teams from all over the nation and some international teams participate. Although it is targeted to CERT and Neighborhood groups, I feel it has a lot of value to ARES&#65533; members because: 1) Many types of decisions and contact data are common to all groups and can be tested by this drill, and 2) ARES&#65533; volunteers are not going to be available if their families and/or neighbors need them. The better their family and neighbor can plan for any disaster, the better their availability for helping others. Summit County ARES&#65533; will gather at a single location and work through the drill as a team. Details can be found here <http://www.drc-group.com/project/footprint.html>. For a good overview of the process, you can view the online video found here <http://www.depiction.com/webinars/formidable-footprint>.

We went through an interactive flood event to be used to elicit responses from our team at various points, such as "Is this request within the responsibility of our group," and "Who would our group contact to handle this item," etc. After the drill there was an online hotwash and we received a report of all our responses to the "injects" such that we can use it for an after action report. Other drills in this series include Wildfire (March 26), Tornado (April 30), Influenza Pandemic (May 28) and Hurricane (June 25). I think ARES&#65533; should publicize the availability of these FREE Tabletop exercises!

On another note, there is a Stop Disasters Game available here <http://www.stopdisastersgame.org/en/playgame.html>. Sponsored by the United Nations International Strategy for Disaster Reduction, it has five scenarios (Tsunami, Hurricane, Wildfire, Earthquake, and Flood) and three difficulty levels. With a limited budget and time, the player must manage the community to minimize loss of life and property damage during the impending event. It is targeted at late teens, but at 57 years of age, I find it a very interesting game and am working to optimize my strategy for the Flood event - the only one I have tried so far. I think, again, this is something that would be of interest to ARES®. The basic intent seems to be to raise the awareness of the value of preparation for disaster, and I think it does an excellent job of that. - Dennis Conklin, AI8P <http://www.qrz.com/db/ai8p>, AEC, Summit County, Ohio ARES®

==> K1CE FOR A FINAL

The tenth anniversary of 9/11 is this September. Here is a link to a first-person report <http://www.w2ik.info/> by 9/11 first responder and radio amateur Bob Hejl, W2IK, that I found to be very moving. Hejl was among the first to be on the scene on 9/11. It is raw and powerful reading. The author is suffering from PTSD as a result of his experience. His account is not to be missed. -- Rick, K1CE <http://www.qrz.com/db/k1ce>, Flagler County, Florida

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- SEANET Contest
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==> DAYTON PHOTO ISSUE

If you weren't able to make it to Dayton this year - here is a
potpourri of photos from my wanderings of the highways and byways of
the world's largest hamfest. A special note of recognition goes to the
Dayton Hamvention committee for their hard work - it is an all-year job
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and a lot of hours were dedicated to making it fun for all of the attendees. In addition, ham radio vendors donated thousands and thousands of dollars worth of prizes to the dinners, presentations, and seminars - please take a moment to thank them (even if you didn't win) for contributing to and supporting our favorite hobby.

And now - have a great Memorial Day weekend and on with the show!

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==> CONVERSATION

As I was walking out the door on Sunday with tired feet and legs,
headed for the parking lot and the long drive home with not enough
sleep on Saturday night this song popped into my head, begging to be
Dayton-ized. I obliged it.

73, Ward N0AX

Sunday Morning Tearin' Down

By Kris Kristofferson but re-engineered by Dr Beldar

Well, I parked on Sunday morning
With no way to plant my feet that didn't hurt.
And the candy bar for breakfast wasn't bad,
So I had one more for dessert.
I had fumbled in my suitcase through my clothes
To find that silly cartoon shirt.
So I grabbed my bag and donned my badge
And stumbled 'cross the lot to finish Day(ton).

For not buying on the day before
It was my own behind that I was kicking.

But I sipped my cup and watched a small kid
Playing with a key that she was clicking.
Then I walked across the aisle
And caught the smoky smell of hamfest hot dogs cooking.
And Lord, it took me back to goodies that I'd missed
Somewhere, somehow along the way.

At a Sunday morning hamfest
I'm wishing, Lord, I had more dough.
'Cause there's bargains left on Sunday
That a ham could take back home.
And there's nothing left this sunrise
More than half the price of Friday morn
>From the sleepy hamfest vendors
On Sunday morning tearing down.

In the park I saw an Elmer
With a laughing learning ham that he was teaching.
And I stopped outside a forum talk
About technical achievements they were reaching.
Then I headed through the crowd
And somewhere far away a lonely rig was beeping,
And it echoed through the tables
Like the disappearing gadgets yesterday.

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==> CONTESTS

25 May through 7 June

An expanded, downloadable version of QST's Contest Corral in PDF format
is available. Check the sponsor's Web site for information on operating
time restrictions and other instructions.

HF CONTESTS

CQ WW WPX Contest--CW, from May 28, 0000Z to May 29, 2400Z. Bands
(MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RST and serial . Logs due: Jun 27. Rules
<http://www.cqwpx.com/blog/?p=62>

Baltic Contest--Phone,CW, from May 28, 2100Z to May 29, 0200Z. Bands
(MHz): 3.5. Exchange: RS(T) and serial. Logs due: Jul 1. Rules
<http://www.lrsf.lt/bcontest/english/rules_html.htm>

QRP ARCI Hootowl Sprint--CW, from May 29, 8 PM to May 29, Midnight. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST, S/P/C QRP number or power. Logs due: Jun 29. Rules <http://www.qrparci.org/>

MI QRP Memorial Day CW Sprint--CW, from May 29, 2300Z to May 30, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, MI QRP number or power. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.miqrp.org/>

SNS and NS Weekly Sprints--CW, from Jun 3, 0200Z to Jun 3, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-14. Exchange: Serial number, name, S/P/C. Logs due: none. Rules <http://www.ncccsprint.com/rules.html>

Ten-Ten Open Season--Digital, from Jun 4, 0000Z to Jun 5, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 28. Exchange: Call, name, S/P/C, member numbers. Logs due: 15 days. Rules <http://www.ten-ten.org/>

LZ Open 20 Meter Contest--CW, from Jun 4, 1100Z to Jun 4, 1500Z. Bands (MHz): 14. Exchange: 6-digit serial and serial from previous QSO. Logs due: 10 days. Rules <http://www.lzopen.com/>

Maritime QSO Party--Phone,CW, from Jun 4, 1200Z to Jun 5, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50,144, Frequencies: 25 to 50 kHz from band edge. Exchange: RS(T), Maritime county or S/P/C. Logs due: 1 month. Rules <http://www.maritimecontestclub.com/>

SEANET Contest--Phone,CW,Digital, from Jun 4, 1200Z to Jun 5, 1200Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Frequencies: CW--3.525,7.025,14.025,21.025,28.025, SSB--3.540/3.790,7.090,14.320,21.320,28.320. Exchange: RS(T), serial. Logs due: Jul 31. Rules <http://seanet2011.com/contest.htm>

IARU Region I Field Day--CW, from Jun 4, 1500Z to Jun 5, 1459Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RST, serial. Rules are available on IARU Society Web sites

Alabama QSO Party--Phone,CW, from Jun 4, 1600Z to Jun 5, 0400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Frequencies: CW--1.810, 3.545, 7.045, 14.045, 21.045, 28.045; PH--1.865, 3.855, 7.230, 14.250, 21.300, 28.450. Exchange: RS(T) and county, state, province, or 'DX'. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.alabamaqsoparty.org/>

DARC 10 Meter Digital Contest--Digital, from Jun 5, 1100Z to Jun 5, 1700Z. Bands (MHz): 28. Exchange: RST, serial number. Logs due: 14 days. Rules <http://www.darc.de/referate/ukw-funksport>

ARS Spartan Sprint--CW, from Jun 7, 0200Z to Jun 7, 0400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Frequencies: Monthly on the first Monday evening. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, and power. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.arsqrp.blogspot.com/>

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Worldwide EME Contest--Phone,CW, from Jun 4, 0000Z to Jun 5, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.2G. Exchange: TMO/RS(T) and "R". Logs due: Jun 25. Rules <http://www.dubus.org/>

Maritime QSO Party--Phone,CW, from Jun 4, 1200Z to Jun 5, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50,144, Frequencies: 25 to 50 kHz from band edge. Exchange: RS(T), Maritime county or S/P/C. Logs due: 1 month. Rules <http://www.maritimecontestclub.com/>

UKSMG Sporadic E Contest--Phone,CW,Digital, from Jun 4, 1300Z to Jun 5, 1300Z. Bands (MHz): 50. Exchange: RST, member nr, 6-digit grid locator. Logs due: Jul 1. Rules <http://www.uksmg.org/>

==> LOG DUE DATES

25 May through 7 June

- May 25 - Low Power Spring Sprint <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/lowpowerspringsprint2010.pdf>
- May 26 - RSGB 80m Club Championship, CW <http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2011/r80mcc.shtml>
- May 27 - SKCC Sprint <http://www.skccgroup.com/sprint/sks/>
- May 28 - VK/Trans-Tasman 80m Contest, Phone <http://home.iprimus.com.au/vktasman/RULES.HTM>
- May 30 - International Vintage Contest HF <http://www.beepworld.it/members/contestvintage/rules.htm>
- May 31 - Florida QSO Party <http://www.floridaqsoparty.org/rules.html>
- May 31 - MIE 33 Contest <http://www.ztv.ne.jp/isoda/33/annual/34/34rule-e.html>
- May 31 - CQ Manchester Mineira DX Contest <http://www.powerline.com.br/cwjf/Regulamento_Ing.pdf>
- May 31 - 50 MHz Spring Sprint <http://sites.google.com/site/springvhfupsprints/2011-announcement-rules>
- May 31 - Holyland DX Contest <http://www.iarc.org/site/downloads/holyland/Holyland%20Contest%202011%20Rules.pdf>
- May 31 - Nebraska QSO Party <http://www.hdxa.net/neqso/neqso.htm>
- May 31 - AGCW QRP/QRP Party <http://www.agcw.org/en/?Contests:QRP-QRP-Party>
- June 1 - BARTG Sprint 75 <http://www.bartg.org.uk/documents/Contests/sprint75/BARTG%20Sprint%2075%20Rules%20April.pdf>
- June 1 - Feld Hell Sprint <http://sites.google.com/site/feldhellclub/Home/contests>
- June 1 - South Dakota QSO Party <http://www.w0zwy.org/index.php?option=com_content&task=blogsection&id=1&Itemid=30>
- June 4 - Slobozhansky Sprint Contest <http://tdr.at.ua/index/polozhenie_2011_g/0-13>
- June 5 - WAB LF Phone <http://wab.intermip.net/Contest%20Rules.php#OtherRules>
- June 5 - 7th Call Area QSO Party <http://www.codxc.com/new/Page.asp?Content=DRYLAND7S&Page=3>
- June 6 - EU PSK DX Contest <http://eu.srars.org/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=20&Itemid=48>
- June 7 - New England QSO Party <http://www.neqp.org/rules.html>
- June 7 - ARI International DX Contest

<http://www.ari.it/images/stories/hf/ARI_International_DX_Contest_2011_Rules-1.pdf>

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Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our lastet NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2011-05-26
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter, once a week (thursday)
from now on - if any special activities will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further detail please be so kind and watch our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you vy welcome for any
input and we do hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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** VUSHF-Meeting to Ham Radio in Friedrichshafen **

Hello MS - EME Fan's - I remember to you our Meeting to Ham Radio in
front of QSL-Wall Friday 24 June at 13.00 local time. As usual in the
evening we will go to Dinner in Lindau for our HAM FEST C/O Altschule
Ristorante Altschuleplatz 2 Lindau. for menu etc. see:
http://www.alteschule.eu/home.html Who is interested to this Dinner
please booking sending a message to me before 15th. June, so I can
book, the Restaurant is not very big. Vy 73' de Enrico I5WBE
SOURCE: Enrico I5WBE (i5wbe"at"i5wbe"dot"it) via MoonNet

** Software update VK3UM EMECalc v 7:10 **

Gentlemen EMECalc v 7:10 is now available from www.vk3um.com
This release includes provision for varying the Solar Flux (sfu)
value and refinements to Sky Noise, Beam Fill factor, and sfu
interpolation values above 10GHz. For a more detailed description of
the changes please refer to
http://www.vk3um.com/Reference%20Data/EMECalc%20v710_Supplementary.pdf
The web site has also been updated to include additional information
regarding the programming and interface connections to some versions
of the FE 5680A Rubidium Standard as well as a method of rejuvenating
Rubidium Lamps. Finally for those of you that may contemplating EME on
higher frequencies and have not seen Graham F5VHX 3 dimensional Dish
Installer Software, I have included it for your enlightenment at
http://www.vk3um.com/Reference%20Data/F5VHX%20Dish%20Installer.pdf
SOURCE: Doug VK3UM via [Moon-net GG]

** SPORADIC E saison, inputs to MMMonVHF and Observation 2011 **

The next 144 MHz ES-Opening 2011 occured day by day since may 20th!
In case of an ES opening on 144 MHz please remember to send all your
QSO in a short Log to MMMonVHF - HOW? Please go to the MMMonVHF forum
www.mmmonvhf.de/minibb/index.php?action=vthread&forum=11&topic=80
and read about our "call for reports". The text will be available
in several languages. or use direct the input at:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/es.php >>> click on "Send your Report"
Remember please that we are going to publish ONLY 144 MHz Logs!
SOURCE: Guy, DL8EBW, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: UN ; Square: MO51 ; Start: 2011-05-21 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3635

Finally today, 21st May 2011 I can inform you that my eme station
is ready to bring Kazakhstan (UN) to the moon. Here are already
active stations, but I will add some activity and probably 70cm band
to the moon. I build up a 4x11el group for 2m and to the moment a
2x23el group for 70cm. As soon as I get the missing 23el antenna,
which they failed to send me last time, I will have a 4x23el group
for 70cm. After moving from Tashkent/Uzbekistan to Astana/Kasakhstan
end of september 2010 I am still busy, in the job as well as at home.
All qsl cards I received until july 2010 I answered. Those I received
later still have to wait, but will be answered now in summer! I hope
that I can bring UN to many of you and soon also on 70cm. gl and see
your dots on the screen ...
SOURCE: tnx to Hans UN/DL9LBH, MO51QD, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: SM ; Square: JP87 ; Start: 2011-06-06 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3816

Ronny, DL1RNW, back on Tour in Juni - LATEST NEWS, from Ronny, dated
2011-05-21: Hallo, I have changed my antenna. I will work with 2x9 el
dk7zb and elevation. I will also actively JT65 EME.
SOURCE: tnx to Ronny, DL1RNW direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: OZ ; Square: JO45 ; Start: 2011-06-11 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3662

The Scout-Amateur-Radio-Station OZ1RDP (JO45GC) will be qrv again
in June 2011 (11st till 13rd) - LATEST NEWS from Carsten, DM1CG,
dated 2011-05-25: OZ1RDP is the final test for our equipment to CU!

(pse see: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3784)
As well please notice our "HOW TO" lower the text at MMMonVHF!
QSOs and Rapportes are welcome via Moon / Chat or Mail
SOURCE: tnx to Carsten, DM1CG, dircet to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: GM ; Square: IO65 ; Start: 2011-06-25 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3838

Nick, G0HIK will be qrv as GM0HIK from IO65UO end of June 2011
Furness ARS having their week long holiday to the island of Arran
again this year. The main band this time will be 432 x 22ele and 40w.
Also 50 MHz 4 ele 180w. 70MHz 7 ele 130w. 144MHz 10 ele 100w. Active
during the RSGB 70MHz contest on the 26th and 50MHz contest on the ,
28th. Skeds to be made on KST.
SOURCE: tnx to Nick, G0HIK, direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
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** IM56 in the air on 6m and 4m **

DXpedition to square IM56mx (Ponta de Sagres) on 3,4 and 5 of June.
We will be active on 50Mhz and 70mhz. Callsing CS0RCL
Operator: CT1EVE, CT1ETX, CT1EUB, CT1EPS, CT1FFU e EA7AH Best
73 Tony - SOURCE: Tony, CT1FFU via UKSMG Announce

** T8 qrv - Koror Island, Republic of Palau, PJ77 **

Taka JA0BJR, Toshi JP1IOF and Toshi JE1SYN plan to be active from
Koror Island, Republic of Palau (IOTA OC-009, WW Loc. PJ77FI), as
T88ZA, T80T and T8YN respectively on 24-27th June 2011. Look for
them to run two stations on 80-6 metre SSB, CW, FM, RTTY and PSK31
(5 element yagi on 6m). QSL via home calls.
SOURCE: [dx-world.net] via ICPO Bulletin (20-27 May 2011)

** FP/K9OT qrv from GN17 again **

Paul, K9OT and Peg, KB9LIE will once again be active as FP/K9OT from
Miquelon Island (IOTA NA-032, DIFO FP-002, WLOTA 1417, WWLoc. GN17TC)
between 21st July and 4th August 2011. QRV on 80-10 metre W and SSB.
QSL via LOTW, bureau, or direct to K9OT (return postage required for
direct). Website: www.hamradio.pnpfarms.com/
SOURCE: [NG3K] via ICPO Bulletin (20-27 May 2011)

** MD9Y, qrv from the Eary Cushlin House, IO74 **

A group of members from the Club DARC in Germany (section P08-OV Nurtingen) will be staying on the Isle of Man (IOTA EU-116, WLOTA 0449) from 7 July till 15 July 2011 in the Eary Cushlin House, located on the south west cost of the island (WW Loc. IO74PD). Operators include Pit DL1SPH, Gunter DK1SG, Bernd DH1SBB, Gertraud DC5SAN, Guenther DG1SBU, Guenther DG7SF and Erwin DL6SBN. QRV from 80m to 6m using PSK, RTTY and SSB, using MD/homecalls. They will also participate in the IARU HF Championship (09-10 July), using the callsign MD9Y, as a SSB only entry. QSL MD9Y direct via GD3YUM (Martyn Parnell, 1 Derwent Drive, Onchan, Isle of Man IM3 2DF). QSL others via their home calls, direct or by the DARC bureau. SOURCE: [rsgbiota.org] via ICPO Bulletin (20-27 May 2011)

** FS/K9EL on the air on HF and 6m **

I will be operating FS/K9EL June 7-19, 2011. I will be using an IC7000 and verticals for 10-80 and a 3 el yagi for 6m. I will be operating CW, SSB & some RTTY. QSL to my home call. LOTW update will be done upon my return. I may do some 6m operation from PJ7. 73 SOURCE:John K9EL via GOLIST

** J48O from Othonoi islet, HF and 50 MHz **

Operators SV2AEL, SV2CLJ, SV2FPU, SV2HXV, IK0EFR, SV2YC and SW2HXR willbe active as J48O from Othonoi islet, EU-052 between June 17 to 25, 2011. They will live and operate in the island lighthouse of Kastri. Look for them on 80-6m, focus on 6m during peak season. CW, SSB, Digi. QSL via SV2FPU. SOURCE: dx-world.net

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** Bonaire again in the air with PJ4E **

PJ4E Bonaire will be on six meters from approximately June 4th to June 19th. We will be operating in the attended beacon mode. The frequency will be 50.103 since we will be there ahead of the other PJ Caribbean DX-Peditions. There will be some HF operation, mainly RTTY but six meters will always be on the air. Operators will be W0SD Ed, W0OE Edith and PJ4NX Peter. The QSL manager will be W0SD. Unfortunately Arliss W7XU and Holly N0QJM will not be on the trip this year due to work conflicts. A later announcement will be made in regards to on line logs. The operation will be from a rented house and will be our normal six meterset up with a good antenna and power. 73 and see you on six Ed W0SD.
SOURCE: Ed W0SD / G0JHC via UKSMG Announcement

** "Mother of All 6m Grid DXpeditions" starts this week! **

Interior-West DXpedition: 25 May - 10 July; Operating from 90 grids
and transiting 30 more. Starting Thursday 26 May, David Schaubert,
NJ0W, will begin a 46-day 6m Grid DXpedition covering 90 different
grid squares in the Rocky Mountains, Southwest Deserts, and Great
Plains. Over 400 hours of operating time have been planned. Within
his scheduled hours of operation, David will operate WSJT modes
(mostly FSK441 meteor scatter) when there is no sporadic-E happening
at his location, and SSB/CW when there is. See David s web page at
http://www.6t6kix.com/pages/ham/nj0w.htm for complete details, as
well as for unanticipated updates to the schedule due to the always-
entertaining antics of the ubiquitous Mr. Murphy. Time is a critical
commodity for WSJT meteor-scatter operation because the technology
is speed-limited by its inherent design. Therefore, please READ AND
RE-READ David s published WSJT operating procedures on the above page
DON T WASTE EVERYBODY S TIME by not knowing what you re doing!! If
you have questions, ask them now on the FFMA or WSJTGROUP list. If
you re not an FFMA or WSJTGROUP subscriber, go to:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/FFMA or
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/WSJTgroup and sign up. Don t cross-post
replies or questions to all five boards listed in the TO header, as
this will generate list traffic that will be unappreciated by many.
Wishing David and all of us the best of luck!
SOURCE: Bill W5WVO via WSJT Reflector

** DX Operation: Bermuda, VP9GE **

Doug, KF4VTT, will be visiting Bermuda June 10-17, 2011 and staying
at the QTH of VP9GE. Although this is not a true DXpedition, Doug
will utilize 160M-6M on SSB, CW, RTTY and possibly PSK31 when time
permits. His XYL and son will be accompanying him, so Doug will need
to be fair about the amount of time spent on the air. As a personal
goal, he hopes to finish DXCC and VUCC from VP9. Any help with this
endeavor would be appreciated. Doug also hopes to be active on
6 Meters during the ARRL June VHF QSO Party on June 11-13. QSL OK
via KF4VTT by Bureau, direct or LoTW.
http://home.mebtel.net/~kf4vtt/vp9/VP9.htm
SOURCE: Doug, KF4VTT, via NG3K DX News

** DX Operation: Montserrat VP2MRT **

Operating june 8th till june 18th on 40m thru 2m depending on condx
as VP2MRT. Will operate the June VHF Contest. QSL via KB4CRT direct
with SASE or GS. LOTW later, no eqsl.
SOURCE: KB4CRT, John, via NG3K DX News

** Nine Grid Squares active on 4 Bands **
(EM52-EM62-EM63-EM64-EM73-EM74-EM75-EM84-EM85)

Our objective is to activate nine maidenhead grid squares across the states of Mississippi, Alabama, Tennessee, North Carolina and Georgia during the 2011 ARRL June VHF QSO Party. Our theory of operation will be on the "Run and Gun" aspect in the Limited Rover category with a effort on using CW and JT65a during times when the bands are not open. We will be stopping at several very high spots to try and work stations direct. We will also be beaconing AD5OW-12 on APRS via the Droid APRS Software so look for us there as well. We will be Calling CQ a lot on the published frequencies below and periodically on the calling frequencies. For JT65a (Tropo) and FSK441 (Meteor Scatter), we will be calling CQ on the standard 50.260 and 144.140 MHz and listening DOWN 6khz for replies. Route Stops: (A detailed route map can be found on our website. The URL is below.) Gadsden, AL (EM64xa), Lookout Mtn, GA (EM74hu), McCamy Lake, TN (EM75qd), Hayesville, NC (EM85ba), Brasstown Bald, GA (EM84cu), Mt. Cheaha, AL (EM73cl)
Operating Frequencies:
Band, CW, SSB, Digital
(A) 50 MHz 50.096 50.133 50.260 CQD6 FSK441 & JT65a
(B) 144 MHz 144.196 144.206 144.140 CQD6 FSK441 & JT65a
(C) 222 MHz 222.096 222.106
(D) 432 MHz 432.096 432.106
Please check out our AD5OW/R VHF/UHF Rover web page at http://www.ad5ow.us/Rover.html for the latest information.
73's de Jim, AD5OW and Jeffrey, N5TIT - The AD5OW/R Rover Team
SOURCE: tnx to Andy, N8OFS, direct to MMMonVHF

** Trip to DM57 / DM56 **

I will be operating from DM57 for the weekend of Jun 3 - 5. I expect to be set up and on the air by late in the afternoon on Friday and will tear down to return home after M/S stops on Sunday AM (unless we get significant Es - then I'll stay as late as I can). I may stop briefly in DM56 on the way home - timing will depend on how the band was in DM57. If the band is good in DM56, I will stay there as late as I can. I will be following the same procedure as NJ0W on his web page (see http://www.6t6kix.com/pages/ham/nj0w.htm) except I will be QSYing up to 50.270 (if this is a bad frequency, please let me know). I'm not sure about Friday evening, but I expect to be on the air Saturday and Sunday starting about 1200Z. I will only have 100 W and a 3 el yagi at about 25'. Es openings will take precedence over M/S. I will not have Internet access and I don't expect to have cell service. If you have a request for a specific time or frequency, please send me an email and I'll see what I can do. Please keep me busy! 73 Bud - SOURCE: Bud, N7CW via [wsjtgroup]

** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

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Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

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IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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528. WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING May 29 2011

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COMMEMORATIVE STATION VK5MGY

VK3EW on top of the DXCC again

Worked All VK Shires Award

Wappa Falls Observatory

THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING MAY 29 2011.

A NOBLE Park principal has won one of the top education awards in Victoria.

Silverton Primary School principal Tony Bryant won the outstanding school leadership award at the Education Department's awards night on May 13.

Peter Hall, the Minister for the Teaching Profession, said Silverton Primary School staff and students were regarded as leaders in the use of technology in teaching and learning, thanks to Mr Bryant.

Mr Hall said one example was the school's establishment of its own television and FM radio stations.

"Tony has been instrumental in ensuring information and communications technology is embedded into the curriculum - and has transformed his school into a global learning community.

Mr Bryant not only gained the prestige of being voted Victoria's most outstanding school leader but also won up to 10 weeks of paid leave and $50,000.

(greaterdandenongweekly.com.au)

SPACE FACE

NASA submissions to the Space Shuttle Program's "Face in Space" campaign for the STS-134 mission.

Participants submit photos for uplink to Endeavour via the Mission Control Centre at NASA's Johnson Space Centre in Houston. The images will return to Earth through a data transmission, and contributors will be able to print certificates verifying their photos flew aboard Endeavour.

More photos already have been submitted to fly aboard the last shuttle mission targeted to launch July 8. Submissions will be accepted through to the lift-off date. To take part in the STS-135 Face in Space campaign, visit: http://faceinspace.nasa.gov

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK1

22nd June General Meeting features TWO Presentation Topics back to back:

Morse Code "Show and Tell" night.

A night of sharing information and experiences for everyone, particularly those with an interest in Morse Code and associated techniques.

"SHOW" Bring along your paddles, keyers, oscillators, QRP Tx's, projects, historical items, etc for a static or live display.

"TELL" Share your code learning experiences, anecdotes, secrets etc. with short individual presentations.

The second Presentation Topic by Dimitrios Tsifakis VK1SV is:

A 5 minute talk on the history / activities of the 600m band, and a LF/HF and QRSS computer system.

VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news

TRASH & TREASURE AT VK2WI.

This Sunday the 29th is the Trash & Treasure event at the VK2WI Dural site.

New stock has arrived since the last T & T which should interest you. Major items are listed on the ARNSW website under DISPOSALS.

Commencing at 9.30 am it will be followed in the early afternoon by the Homebrew and Experimenters Group meeting. Also in the morning there will be the usual license assessments - Those wishing to undertake an assessment should attend by 10 am.

Further information may be obtained on the ARNSW phone 02 9651 1490 or mobile 0400 445 829.

Chainsaw Day

This to be held at the Summerland Club Rooms Lismore June 4 to reduce pesky trees from the yard and solar radius. WORKERS NEEDED, HET ALONG TO SCARC rooms.

TELSTRA

The St George Amateur Radio Society will be holding their next meeting at the Telstra Museum, Wednesday evening 1st of June, at 12 Kitchener Parade, Bankstown.

VK4 - QNEWS
web service local audio news:- www.wiaq.com/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
local news email qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
VKR Roundup http://www.police.qld.gov.au/News+and+Alerts/Media+Releases/

Welcome to QNews from VK4WIA. I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP, and I've been thinking.

When we come to choosing those who will manage our club affairs, it is necessary to find people we can trust.

It was not surprising that others have been addressing these issues. Writing in WorldRadio Online, May issue, Dave Hayes, VE3JX, looks over these qualities, as viewed by the QCWA - that's the US Quarter Century association not the local ladies in VK4.

http://www.worldradiomagazine.com/

Knowledge of the area, such as finances for the treasurer, common sense and humility are some of the qualities which are examined. This is a practical set of criteria used by a large body with local to national structures. At the local level, clubs are often faced with the struggle to maintain membership and can really be challenged at finding active members who volunteer for club positions.

None the less, I believe it is important that we all think over these ideas.

We may not be available to fill a role for our club but we may have a say in electing some-one who will. If we are clear in our own minds of the qualities we value, it will be that much easier to make our vote count.

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think....how about you?

VK5

1912 THE EVENT - COMMEMORATIVE STATION VK5MGY

This item we broadcast last week about VK5MGY was picked up by the SARL who noted.

"Interesting, the detector of the receiver on the Carpathia, by which the emergency call from the Titanic was received, was in the Telkom museum when the museum was still in Pretoria. SARL trust that it is still well looked after."

Check out the event web site 1912theevent.com.

VK7
local area news :- http://reast.asn.au/news.php
vk7 local news, email vk7regionalnews-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

North West Tasmanian ATV Group Members are notified that the Club's next General Meeting is scheduled to be held on Saturday 4th. June, commencing 2.00 PM at the home of Tony VK7AX, 5 Kywong Crescent, Ulverstone.

Tony will demonstrate the configuration of his Video Streaming setup.

Persons in the N/West Area of VK7 interested in Training and Assessments for all classes of Amateur Radio Licenses are advised that NWTATV Club can provide these requirements and much more.

Contact details can be found on the Club Web Site or the WIA site under VK7 Clubs.

(Tony VK7AX, President - North West Tas. ATV Group)

HOME OF THE GOOD GUYS

Toowoomba ARC suffered a lightning strike to their repeater, SARC gave them some gear to help get it back on air.

EDUCATION YOUTH AND ADVANCEMENT OF AMATEUR RADIO
www.hamcollege.com.au

The Illawarra Amateur Radio Society in New South Wales, currently has a construction competition running. Entry is available in two categories:-

The First is for IARS club members.

The second category is for all other amateur radio operators within VK.

Entry is easy, simply, build a crystal set!

Judging will be based on some simple rules:-

The crystal set must work i.e. receive a transmitted signal.

The crystal set can receive either commercial, broadcast or amateur signals.

No external power other than the received signal can be used.

Additional points will be gained by utilizing recycled parts, or home made components.

Additional points will be gained for Innovative design, and unique concepts.

The finished article does not need to be ascetically pleasing.

Testing will be carried out at Industry World Centre, Wollongong NSW.

A full set of rules are available on the society's web site www.iars.org.au

The judging of the contest will be at the IARS November meeting.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART and the WW sources of the WIA.

CHURCH AUDIO HEARD ON 10 METERS

Illegal broadcasts from at least one church have been heard on 28.265 MHz by hams in Germany and as a result, amateurs world-wide are being requested to listen AROUND 28.265 in order to identify the station and its location.

If you hear it, please send your report the IARU Monitoring System Coordinator.

NEWS REPORTS SAY JET BLUE TERMINAL AT JFK NYC IS RADIO DEAD ZONE

According to recent news reports, the $743
million Jet Blue Airlines terminal at JFK Airport
in New York is a police radio dead zone. One

that puts Port Authority police officers in a
Ground Zero like communications blackout zone
that has already led to a number of police injuries.

A permanent fix will cost an estimated $3 million
and is many months away from completion. In the
meantime Port Authority police officers assigned
to the terminal are reportedly given
pre-programmed cell phones at the start of their
shifts to call the JFK police command if an emergency crops up.

EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: MAKING GREEN LED'S MORE EFFICIENT

Researchers at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
has lead to the development of a new method for
manufacturing green-colored Light Emitting Diodes
with greatly enhanced output.

The research team, led by Physics Professor
Christian Wetzel began by etching a nano-scale
pattern at the interface between the LED's
sapphire base and the layer of Gallium Nitride.
The latter is what gives the LED its green colour.

This new technique results in green LED's with significant
enhancements in light extraction, internal efficiency, and
light output. This discovery brings Wetzel and his team
one step closer to the goal of developing a high performance,
low-cost green Light Emitting Diodes.

Results of the study were published recently in
the journal Applied Physics Letters, and are
featured in the April 25th issue of the Virtual
Journal of Nanoscale Science & Technology.
The latter is published by the American Institute of
Physics and the American Physical Society.

HUMAN MOVEMENT COULD REPLACE BATTERIES

Powering your hand held radio or other electronic
device that converts movement into power could be
on the horizon. This as a team of researchers in
New Zealand say that they are trying to develop
what they call wearable energy harvesters"
capable of converting movement from humans or
found in nature into battery power.

According to Science Daily, the new technology is
based on a class of variable capacitor generators
known as dielectric elastomer generators to
D-E-G's. The scientific investigations currently
underway say that these devices shows great
potential for wearable energy harvesting. In

fact, researchers at the Auckland Bioengineering Institute's Biomimetics Lab believe D-E-G's may enable the creation of light weight, form-fitting, and silent energy harvesters with excellent mechanical properties that match human muscle.

The findings are described in the American Institute of Physics' journal Applied Physics Letters. More on this emerging new technology is on-line at tinyurl.com/3vfsyry.

TV OWNERSHIP DECLINES

In what experts are attributing to both the current economic slide and the rise of alternative digital devices, ownership of television sets in the U.S. has dropped for the first time in 20 years.

According to the A.C. Nielsen ratings service, 96.7 percent of American households currently own TVs, down from 98.9 percent. That's a drop of 2.2% in the past two decades.

According to news articles quoting Nielsen, there appear to be two reasons for the decline. The first is purely economic. Simply said, some low-income households no longer own TV sets, most likely because they cannot afford new digital receivers and outdoor antennas. Likely, when their older non-digital sets using converter boxes fail and can no longer be repaired they simply walk away from any form of in-home visual entertainment.

The other is technological know-how among the current generation of younger viewers. There are the pre-teens, teens and young adults who are growing up with laptop computers rather than the traditional television remote control of their parents era. As they reach adulthood they are simply opting not to buy TV sets. Instead, they are watching their television shows and other forms of entertainment streamed live over the Internet.

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2011

CONTEST RESULTS

NASA has announced the winners of its 'Original Song Contest' after six weeks of public voting. You will recall here on VK1WIA National News we told how songs will awaken the STS-134 astronauts aboard space shuttle Endeavour during their ongoing mission.

"Sunrise Number 1" by Jorge Otero and the band Stormy Mondays from Spain, earned first place.

Shuttle Commander Mark Kelly, Pilot Greg H. Johnson, Mission Specialists Mike Fincke, Drew Feustel, Greg Chamitoff and Roberto Vittori of the European Space Agency will hear the song at 5:56 p.m. EDT on May 31 - the day before the crew returns to Earth. "Sunrise Number 1" received 787,725 votes, or 49.8 percent of the total ballots.

"Dreams You Give" by Brian Plunkett earned second place with 38.8 percent.

It will wake the crew at 6:56 p.m. on May 30.

The public cast over 1.5 million votes!

To listen to the songs and see the all the results, visit: https://songcontest.nasa.gov/voteOrigResult.aspx

Aug 20-21 WW I.L.L.W.

The ILLW a real hit in VK7

The event has grown each year with VK7 having with nine slotted in so far compared with only seven the entire previous year.

VK7DB Sandy Cape, VK7EM Mersey Bluff, VK7HKN Eddystone Point, VK7NET Table Cape, VK7KT Bluff Hill, VK7VTX Low Head, VK7ZM Rocky Cape, VK7ZE Cape Wickham who will join VK3VTH portable 7 Currie Light - both on King Island.

Information about the International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend to be held on the weekend of August the 20th and 21st, can be found at the website http://illw.net/

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

On top of the DXCC again

The DX world became aware of the constitutional changes for the now the former, Netherlands Antilles.

The ARRL DX Desk had decided that from 10 October last year four new DXCC entities would begin.

In anticipation of the great event, a number of DXpeditions were announced. Like many around the world, David McAulay VK3EW has gained the necessary QSL's.

Then he noticed no-one had yet filed them with the WIA Awards Manager. The WIA has long mirrored the ARRL program and the rulings of its DX Desk. David VK3EW subscribes to the WIA DXCC only.

Finally the process was completed and once again he is proud to be at the top of the Australian DXCC list.

He now has the DXCC of standing 348/340, which includes eight deleted DX entities.

Well done and the effort you made, which shows you are deserving of being
on the top again.

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

MAY

In DX, the Intrepid-DX Group and the DX Friends plan to activate the Southern
Sudan as a new country on or after July 9th. At airtime members of the two
groups report that they are in consultation with representatives of the new
Southern Sudan Government, the International Telecommunications Union and the
International Amateur Radio Union working on making arrangements.

MAY

LAST DAYS FOR MONACO, 3A.

Monaco Telegraphy Group active as 3A2CWG during the month of May in celebration
of its 20th anniversary.
QSL via 3A2LF.

JUNE

COLLINGWOOD OPEN DAY JUNE 4

On the air, the United Kingdom's Royal Naval Amateur Radio Society will run
a special event station on the H.M.S. Collingwood on Saturday June 4th.
The callsign to be used is GB6COD which stands for Collingwood Open Day.
The station will be operational on all amateur bands from 1.8MHz
through 440 MHz. The Society headquarters station will also be open for
viewing from 9.30am to 6pm the same day. The open day will also feature the
Royal Navy Field Gun Competition.

JUNE

The St George Amateur Radio Society will be holding their next
meeting at the Telstra Museum, Wednesday evening 1st of June,
at 12 Kitchener Parade, Bankstown NSW 2200.
As part of the society's 40th anniversary celebrations, they have
been issued with the special event callsign of VK40SGARS from
the 1st of May to the 31st of July

AWARDS

DL0YLWM Women's Football World Cup

The Deutsche Amateur Radio Club is sponsoring an award to celebrate
the 2011 Women's Football World Cup.

Between 1st June and 31st July, the special station DL0YLWM and YL district
stations will be on the air.

Full details at www.darc.ce, search on the website for DL0YLWM.

Worked All VK Shires Award

VK7 news say this award is held June 11 at 06.00utc and ends June 12 06.00utc.

As a guideline the following frequencies are recommended to work those rare ones:

80m..... 3.580 ssb and 3.530 cw

40m..... 7.080 ssb and 7.030 cw

20m..... 14.180 ssb and 14.030 cw

15m..... 21.180 ssb and 21.030 cw

10m..... 28.380 ssb and 28.030 cw

MEDIA WATCH
www.cq-amateur-radio.com/WorldRadio.html
VK Club Bulletins http://groups.yahoo.com/group/aarnie/

Barry Robinson VK3PV.

Now for a look at Amateur Radio magazine

Featured on the front cover is the WIA National Field Day . Tune-in to the world . Amateur Radio Gets People Talking.

Inside are accounts at least from the Whyalla Amateur Radio Club, Radio and Electronics Association of Southern Tasmania, Darwin Amateur Radio Club, Hills Amateur Radio Group, Geelong Amateur Radio Club, Eastern & Mountain District Club, and Amateur Radio Victoria.

The topic of the month, in at least some quarters, has been the perceptions around the WIA's move to set up its national based emergency services response.

WIA President Michael Owen explains, in detail, the WIA's approach to things.

He gives an assurance that WICEN is not sought to be replaced. A point made previously.

There's also the latest on the discussions with the ACMA about station inspection procedures and the WIA announcement of the 2010 Club Grant scheme winners.

The Publication Committee is not happy with the print and paper quality being achieved. It looks towards a better product in the short-term.

In the June edition of Amateur Radio magazine is a report on the Scouts go bush for John Moyle Field Day by Miles Burke VK6FMAB.

In an item called Botch-ups and other lessons learned, Peter Ellis VK1PE has a somewhat unusual look at it.

Among the technical type articles are: Building and using a touch keyer from Grant McDuling VK4JAZ, Multiband antennas by Kevin Parsons VK2JS, A device holder for SMD construction Winston Nickols VK7EM, and a look at RF earthing by Dale Hughes VK1DSH.

Amateur Radio magazine is a WIA member service posted to members 11 times a year, and also available at selected newsagents.

I'm Barry Robinson VK3PV and you're listening to VK1WIA.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ARDF
WIA ARDF COORDINATOR VK3WWW Jack vk3www@wia.org.au
http://users.mackay.net.au/~ron/
http://www.homingin.com
http://www.ardf.org.au

Sep 23-28 R3 Region 3 ARDF Championship Bendigo VK3
http://r3.ardf.org.au/

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ATV (Every pixel tells a story) - Video
arvideonews.com
hamradiotube.com
youtube.com
qdg.org.au

The Last Big Field Day is a new 41-minute video from Amateur Radio Video News that tells the story of world class Field Day station W3AO that since 1999 has topped the ARRL's Field Day Top 10 list, beating 2nd place by a wide margin.

In 2004, the operation listed itself as 50A. That's 50 transmitters, 10 towers a myriad of antennas and something that intrigued film maker Gary Pearce, KN4AQ. So armed with his video production gear, Gary travelled to the W3AO site to capture the moment and tell the tale to the world.

As Gary tells the story, it took a few years to find the time to get The Last Big Field Day into post production and duplicated.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- DIGITAL
Australian Coordinator for TCPIP domains is Indy vk2xb@wia.org.au

Pactor 4 announced

The Pactor 4 data mode unit with a top speed of 10,800 bps and a 2.4 kHz bandwidth has been announced.

Details of the new Pactor 4 modem can be seen in Google English at
http://tinyurl.com/Pactor4SCS

Website in German
www.pactor4.com/SCS_DRAGON_DE/Home.html

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

AMSAT-VK UNOFFICIAL HF Net.
2nd Sunday each month.
April through October 1000 UTC 3.685 MHz
November through March 0900 UTC 7.068 MHz

NASA and ARISS reach out to educators

It has been discovered many schools are not aware of the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) Project so information has been sent to almost 20,000 educators.

Education Office at NASA's Johnson Space Centre notified almost 20,000 US educators about the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station Project.

According to ARRL ARISS Program Manager Rosalie White, K1STO, this kicks off the first of a number of new processes that the ARISS US team will put into motion to get educators more involved in the program, which coordinates Amateur Radio contacts between the ISS and educational institutions around the world.

Read the full ARRL story at
www.arrl.org/news/nasa-and-ariss-reach-out-to-educators

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RESCUE RADIO
IARU REGION 3
Emergency Centre of Activity (CoA) frequencies
3.600, 7.110, 14.300, 18.160 and 21.360 MHz

ARRL to testify on Interoperable Public Safety Network

The Subcommittee on Communications and Technology of the US House of Representatives invited the ARRL to testify at a hearing on 'Creating an Interoperable Public Safety Network.'

ARRL General Counsel Chris Imlay, W3KD, appeared before the Subcommittee on Wednesday.

Read the full ARRL article at:
www.arrl.org/news/view/arrl-to-testify-on-interoperable-public-safety-network

REWIND

1962, John Glenn lifts off in Friendship 7 and becomes the first American to orbit Earth, circumnavigating the globe three times in almost five hours.

In the darkness at Gladstone, 10-year-old Owen Bennedick rallied his father to set up a spotlight usually used for roo spotting to shine at the capsule as it passed overhead.

Fifty years later, Owen Bennedick is still watching the sky as the owner of the Wappa Falls Observatory near Yandina.

It's a backyard curiosity, a humble tourist attraction, a hub for local stargazers and the first port of call for media following up reports of unusual sightings in the sky.

Over the years, he has invested heavily in his observatory equipment perhaps just as thrilling for visitors is being able to hold a piece of space in their own hands.

Owen has a meteorite collection, which includes bits of the moon, Mars, Mercury, a piece of asteroid that fell in Argentina, and a ring-in - a piece of trinitite from the Trinity nuclear bomb test in New Mexico in 1945, sealed in a lead glass case - which he picked up at the Yandina markets.

Then just 2 years ago, Owen heard the unedited conversation John Glenn had with NASA radio operators as he orbited the earth in 1962.

John Glenn remarked upon a bright light he could see in the vicinity of Rockhampton/Gladstone.

Owen Bennedick has heard in the crackly tapes, his boy hoods dream came true, his spotlight was seen by John Glenn!

SOCIAL SCENE

2011

May 27-29 WIA AGM this weekend in Darwin
secretary@wia.org.au

Jun 10 - 12 VK4 Far North and North Queensland Amateur Radio Gathering at King Reef Resort Kurrimine Beach. CANCELLED (VK4DMC)

Jun 11 - 12 VK2 Oxley Region Amateur Radio Club annual Field Day

Jul 16 VK3 Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club Hamfest
Cranbourne Community Hall 10am (secretary@ggrec.org.au)

Jul 16 VK4 Maryborough Electronics and Radio Group "Wide Bay Hamfest"
West Scout Hall, Ariadne St, Maryborough 8:30am.
secretary@merg.org.au

Jul 31 VK2/3 Riverina Field Day 10am at Lavington Scout Group Hall.

Aug 7 VK2 Lismore region - SARCFEST

Sep 11 VK3 SADARC Comms Day at St Augustine's Hall Shepparton 10am.

Sep 16-18 VK4 NQ Amateur Radio Convention Date Set Townsville

Sep 23-28 R3 Region 3 ARDF Championship Bendigo VK3
http://r3.ardf.org.au/

Sep 30-Oct 2 VK4 Central Highlands Amateur Radio Club AGM at Camp Fairbairn
CONTACT Secretary Gordon, (vk4kal@wia.org.au)

Nov 20 vk5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society Hamfest
Goodwood Community Centre, Rosa St Goodwood at 0930.
Visit www.ahars.com.au for contact details

2012

15TH IARU REGION 3 CONFERENCE hosted by V.A.R.C. in Ho-Chi-Minh City, Vietnam.

JAN 23-FEB 17 YEAR 2012
World Radio Conference WRC-11 Geneva 23rd January TO 17th February 2012

MAY 3-18 2012 VK5
YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

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wia.org.au

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being
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even get a "cheerio call".

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-26 22:42:54 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20110526175107.EFE4026C966@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 4519
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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==> + PUBLIC SERVICE: RADIO AMATEURS ASSIST AMERICAN RED CROSS, SERVED
AGENCIES AFTER JOPLIN STORM

On Sunday, May 22 at 5:41 PM, the single deadliest twister in almost
60 years -- and the second major tornado disaster in less than a month
-- swept through the southwestern Missouri city of Joplin, slamming
straight into St John's Regional Medical Center. The tornado killed at
least 117 people. As soon as the storm cleared, area Amateur Radio
operators responded to requests from the American Red Cross and local
hospitals to provide communications support.
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"On Sunday, right after the tornado hit, I received a call from the American Red Cross office in Springfield, asking for radio support," said ARRL Missouri Section Emergency Coordinator Ken Baremore, W0KRB. "I contacted Greene County Emergency Coordinator William Gilmore, KC0TCF, and asked him to join me in Springfield. We got there at 9 PM and used a newly installed 2 meter beam to talk to the Joplin repeater, establishing communications between the two American Red Cross offices. Cell phone coverage was spotty at best, but mostly non-existent, and the circuit was overloaded most of the time. We left about 12:30 AM." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/radio-amateurs-assist-american-red-cross-served-agencies-during-joplin-storm>.

==> + LEGISLATIVE NEWS: SENATE "COMPANION" BILL TO HR 607 AVOIDS IMPACTING AMATEUR SPECTRUM

On Thursday, May 19, Senators Joe Lieberman (ID-CT) and John McCain (R-AZ) introduced S 1040 -- The Broadband for First Responders Act of 2011 -- in the Senate. While it has a similar objective to HR 607 -- introduced in February by Representative Peter King (R-NY-3) -- this Senate bill, unlike HR 607, does not call for auctioning any portions of Amateur Radio spectrum. Both bills call for the allocation of the so-called "D block" of spectrum, 758-763 and 788-793 MHz, to facilitate the development of a public safety broadband network. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/senate-companion-bill-to-hr-607-avoids-impacting-amateur-spectrum>.

==> + LEGISLATIVE NEWS: ARRL TESTIFIES BEFORE CONGRESS ON INTEROPERABLE PUBLIC SAFETY NETWORK

The Subcommittee on Communications and Technology of the US House of Representatives invited the ARRL to testify at a hearing on "Creating an Interoperable Public Safety Network." ARRL General Counsel Chris Imlay, W3KD, appeared before the Subcommittee on Wednesday, May 25. "While this is not a hearing specifically on HR 607, it provides a welcome opportunity to document our concerns about Section 207(d) of that bill," noted ARRL Regulatory Information Manager Dan Henderson, N1ND. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-to-testify-on-interoperable-public-safety-network>.

==> FEMA ADMINISTRATOR CALLS AMATEUR RADIO "THE LAST LINE OF DEFENSE"

In an FCC forum <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bzx-kvo1i_Y> on earthquake communications preparedness, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA <http://www.fema.gov/>) Administrator Craig Fugate described the Amateur Radio operator as "the ultimate backup, the originators of what we call social media." The forum-- held May 3 at FCC Headquarters in Washington, DC -- brought together officials from the White House, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS <http://www.dhs.gov/index.shtm>), the United States Geological Survey (USGS <http://www.usgs.gov/>), FEMA, the FCC and the private sector. Fugate and FCC Bureau of Public Safety and Homeland Security Chief

Jamie Barnett gave the opening remarks.

Later in the forum, Fugate spoke more on Amateur Radio. "During the initial communications out of Haiti, volunteers using assigned frequencies that they are allocated, their own equipment, their own money, nobody pays them, were the first ones oftentimes getting word out in the critical first hours and first days as the rest of the systems came back up," he told the forum. "I think that there is a tendency because we have done so much to build infrastructure and resiliency in all our other systems, we have tended to dismiss that role 'When Everything Else Fails.' Amateur Radio oftentimes is our last line of defense."

Fugate said that he thinks "we get so sophisticated and we have gotten so used to the reliability and resilience in our wireless and wired and our broadcast industry and all of our public safety communications, that we can never fathom that they'll fail. They do. They have. They will. I think a strong Amateur Radio community [needs to be] plugged into these plans. Yes, most of the time they're going be bored, because a lot of the time, there's not a lot they're going to be doing that other people aren't doing with Twitter and Facebook and everything else. But when you need Amateur Radio, you really need them."

You can watch a video of the forum <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bzx-kvo1i_Y> on YouTube. Fugate's remarks begin at 18:55.

==> AMATEUR RADIO IN THE CLASSROOM: NASA AND ARISS REACH OUT TO EDUCATORS

On May 19, the Education Office at NASA's Johnson Space Center's notified almost 20,000 US educators about the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) Project. According to ARRL ARISS Program Manager Rosalie White, K1STO, this kicks off the first of a number of new processes that the ARISS US team will put into motion to get educators more involved in the program, which coordinates Amateur Radio contacts between the ISS and educational institutions around the world. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/nasa-and-ariss-reach-out-to-educators>.

==> + ARRL SECTION NEWS: NEVADA MEMBERS RE-ELECT ARRL SECTION MANAGER

In the only Section Manager election this spring to be decided by member balloting, ARRL members in Nevada re-elected Section Manager Joe Giraudo, N7JEH, of Spring Creek, to a new two-year term of office. Giraudo received 347 votes; his opponent J.D. Weiss, NK7W, of Reno, received 124 votes. Giraudo has been Section Manager since August 2008. His new term of office starts on July 1. Ballots were counted at ARRL Headquarters on May 24.

The following incumbent ARRL Section Managers did not face opposition and were declared elected for their next two-year terms of office, beginning July 1: Jim Cross, WI3N, Maryland/DC; Al Shuman, K1AKS, New

Hampshire; Rich Krohn, N2SMV, Northern New Jersey; Bob Beaudet, W1YRC, Rhode Island; Dan Pruitt, AE6SX, San Joaquin Valley, and Mel Parkes, NM7P, Utah.

In West Texas, no nominating petitions were received for Section Manager by the March 4 receipt deadline. West Texas Section Manager John Dyer, AE5B, of Cisco, decided not to run for another term of office, and his present term ends on June 30; he has been Section Manager since July 2007, and had previously served as Section Manager 2002-2005.

According to the ARRL Rules and Regulations for the Field Organization, the West Texas Section Manager's position will be re-solicited in the July 2011 issue of QST. A Section Manager elected through the re-solicitation will serve a term of 18 months.

==> + ON THE AIR: NATIONAL HURRICANE CENTER'S WX4NHC SCHEDULES ON-THE-AIR STATION TEST

The annual WX4NHC On-the-Air Station Test from the National Hurricane Center in Miami will take place Saturday, June 4, 1300-2100 UTC (9 AM - 5 PM EDT). "The purpose of this annual station test is to test all of our radio equipment, computers and antennas using as many modes and frequencies as possible in preparation for this year's hurricane season," said WX4NHC Assistant Amateur Radio Volunteer Coordinator Julio Ripoll, WD4R. "This is not a contest or simulated hurricane exercise." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/national-hurricane-center-s-wx4nhc-schedules-on-the-air-station-test>.

==> ON THE AIR: RUSSIA NOW PERMITS RECIPROCAL LICENSING THROUGH CEPT

On May 18, the European Communications Office (ECO) in Copenhagen added the Russian Federation to the list of countries that accept the CEPT reciprocal operating arrangements. This means that US hams who hold an FCC-issued General, Advanced or Amateur Extra class Amateur Radio license may operate in Russia, as well as the other countries covered by the European Conference of Postal and Telecommunications Administrations (CEPT), subject to the regulations in force in the country visited. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/russia-now-permits-reciprocal-licensing-through-cept>.

==> CQ ANNOUNCES 2011 HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

CQ magazine announced its 2011 Hall of Fame inductees on May 20, welcoming 12 new members into the CQ Amateur Radio Hall of Fame, one new member of the CQ DX Hall of Fame and one new member of the CQ Contest Hall of Fame. The CQ Amateur Radio Hall of Fame honors those individuals, whether licensed hams or not, who have made significant contributions to Amateur Radio, as well as those amateurs who have made significant contributions either to Amateur Radio, to their professional careers or to some other aspect of life on our planet. The

CQ Contest and DX Halls of Fame honor those amateurs who not only excel in personal performance in these major areas of Amateur Radio but who also "give back" to Amateur Radio in outstanding ways. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/em-cq-em-announces-2011-hall-of-fame-inductees>.

==> + FORECASTERS CALLING FOR "ABOVE-AVERAGE" HURRICANE SEASON

Forecasters with the National Hurricane Center are calling for an "above-average" Atlantic hurricane season for 2011. In its initial outlook for the 2011 Atlantic hurricane season -- which runs from June 1-November 30 -- the National Weather Service's Climate Prediction Center (CPC) is calling for a 65 percent probability of an above-normal season, a 25 percent probability of a near-normal season and a 10 percent probability of a below-normal season.

CPC Forecasters say that there is a 70 percent chance of having 12-18 named storms, of which six to 10 could become hurricanes, including three to six major hurricanes (Category 3, 4 or 5). Tropical systems acquire a name -- the first for 2011 will be Arlene -- upon reaching tropical storm strength with sustained winds of at least 39 miles per hour. Tropical storms become hurricanes when winds reach 74 miles per hour and become major hurricanes when winds increase to 111 miles per hour. An average season has 11 named storms, including six hurricanes with two becoming major hurricanes. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/forecasters-calling-for-above-average-hurricane-season>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "All alone with the memory of my days in the Sun <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Pm5w7gHEtJI>" Cook, K7RA, reports: The Sun was quieter again this week. The average daily sunspot numbers were down nearly 17 points to 51.6, while the average daily solar flux declined nearly 9 points to 83.2. The latest prediction is for the solar flux to remain low at about 80 on May 26-June 2, then rise to 90 on June 3-4, then 85 on June 5-7 and back to 90 on June 8-11, finally peaking at 95 on June 12. We seem to be a long way from recent weeks when sunspot numbers were over 100. The same prediction has some geomagnetic activity this weekend, with the planetary A index on May 26-30 at 8, 12, 15, 12 and 10, then declining to 5 on May 31 and into the first week of June. Currently two new sunspots are emerging in the Sun's southeastern quadrant. Look for more information on the ARRL website on Friday, May 27. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by Andrew Lloyd Webber's Memory <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Pm5w7gHEtJI> from the musical Cats <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cats_%28musical%29>.

==> ATLANTIC DIVISION TO HOST TWO WEBINARS

Periodically, the ARRL's Atlantic Division hosts a "webinar" -- an interactive Web-based seminar, designed to facilitate communication between a small number of presenters and a large remote audience using the Internet.

On Wednesday, June 1 at 9 PM (EDT), ARRL West Gulf Division Director David Woolweaver, K5RAV -- along with ARRL General Counsel Chris Imlay, W3KD, and noted antenna zoning lawyer Fred Hopengarten, K1VR -- will present Antennas, CC&Rs and You <https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/828951905>. The webinar is hosted by ARRL Atlantic Division Director Bill Edgar, N3LLR. The scope of the webinar will be an overview of the impact that private contracts and land use provisions -- such as homeowners association covenants and deed restrictions -- impact amateurs. The webinar will highlight how CC&Rs differ from public laws, such as zoning ordinances and governmental restrictions (which are covered under PRB-1). The presenters will also discuss some common approaches on how amateurs might try to address these restrictive covenants. Following the presentations by Imlay and Hopengarten, participants will have the opportunity to ask general questions related to the topic. Click here <https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/828951905> to sign up for the CC&R webinar.

On Wednesday, June 8 at 9 PM (EDT), Edgar and the National Capital Region D-STAR Association will present the second of a two-part webinar discussion on D-STAR technology and its application to emergency communications <https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/746329904>. This 90 minute webinar will provide a discussion on how D-STAR technology can benefit Amateur Radio EmComm scenarios. Examples of D-STAR applications to EmComm will also be presented, as well as future growth ideas. Click here <https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/746329904> to sign up for the D-STAR webinar.

==> + ARRL HQ NEWS: ARRL HQ TO CLOSE IN OBSERVANCE OF MEMORIAL DAY

ARRL Headquarters will be closed Monday, May 30 in observance of the Memorial Day holiday. There will be no W1AW code practice or bulletin transmissions <http://www.arrl.org/w1aw-operating-schedule> that day. ARRL Headquarters will reopen Tuesday, May 31 at 8 AM (EDT). We wish everyone a safe and enjoyable holiday weekend.

==> THIS WEEK ON THE RADIO

This week:

- May 27 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- May 28-29 -- CQ WW WPX Contest (CW)
- May 29 -- ARCI Hootowl Sprint (local time)
- May 29-30 -- Michigan QRP Memorial Day CW Sprint
- June 2 -- QRP Minimal Art Session

Next week:

- June 3 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- June 4 -- Wake-Up! QRP Sprint
- June 5 -- 10-10 International Open Season PSK Contest
- June 4-5 -- Maritimes QSO Party; Alabama QSO Party; SEANET Contest
- June 7 -- ARS Spartan Sprint

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- June 3-5 -- ARRL Northwestern Division Convention (SeaPac) <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/northwestern-division-convention-seapac-1>, Seaside, Oregon; ARRL Wyoming State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/wyoming-state-convention>, Cheyenne, Wyoming
- June 4 -- ARRL Atlantic Division Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/atlantic-division-convention-rochester-hamfest-1>,
Rochester, New York; ARRL East Bay Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/east-bay-section-convention>, Berkeley, California; ARRL Georgia State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/georgia-state-convention-atlanta-hamfest>, Marietta, Georgia
- June 10-11 -- ARRL National Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arrl-national-convention-ham-com-2011>, Plano, Texas
- June 11 -- ARRL Tennessee State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/tennessee-state-convention-1>, Knoxville, Tennessee
- July 2 -- ARRL Eastern Pennsylvania Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/eastern-pennsylvania-section-convention-firecracker-hamfest-1>,
Marysville, Pennsylvania
- July 15-17 -- ARRL Montana State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/montana-state-convention-glacier-waterton-international-hamfest>,
Essex, Montana
- July 29-30 -- ARRL Oklahoma State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/oklahoma-state-convention-ham-holiday-2011>, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

To find a convention or hamfest near you, click here <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests>.

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Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1763 - May 27 2011

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1763 with a release date of
Friday, May 27, 2011 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Ham radio faces another challenge from
Mother Nature as more tornadoes hit in the south; the FCC Chairman
makes a surprise visit to Hamvention 2011, a ham is fined $4000 for out
of band operation, and four New York radio amateurs meet with the
sponsor of H-R 607 and he says he will try to eliminate 420 to 440 MHz
from it. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report
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RESCUE RADIO: HAM RADIO RESPONDS TO JOPLIN TORNADO

Ham radio operators are a part of severe weather spotting as well as
being involved in relief efforts as tornadoes continue to ravage the
South. We have the latest in this report:

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Actually, four days after the severe weather struck, very little is
known about the role being played by radio amateurs in the South,
especially in and around Joplin, Missouri. That's because they are far
too busy saving lives and reporting damage to stop to make reports to
the press.

We do know come from published news reports that quote Ron Kittleman,
K0ADI. He says that hams have been stationed at the Springfield
Missouri office of the National Weather Service. Also, that amateurs
from ARES have been providing communication between hospitals and
assessment teams following the tornado that hit Joplin at approximately
6 pm local time on Sunday, May 22nd.

According to Kittleman, the storm knocked out cell phone and landline
communications across the area. Radio operators from ARES started
relaying medical information between the Freeman Hospital and the St
John's and Cox Health medical facilities in Springfield shortly after
the storm hit.

Another report says that a Kansas and Western Missouri SATERN Teams
from the Salvation Army has been activated for the Joplin tornado
response. As we go to air, SATERN team members are reportedly

assisting with communications in the affected area. Also, a Salvation Army emergency disaster services team based out Pittsburg, Kansas has been deployed to Joplin. Its job is to help carry out mass feeding for residents and first responders through a mobile feeding kitchen capable of serving thousands of meals a day.

As we go to air, the situation across the storm ravaged region remains a fluid one with events changing by the minute. We should know more in the coming days.

>From the Newsroom in Los Angeles, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, reporting for the Amateur Radio network

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More on this ham radio emergency response to this springs wicked weather in future Amateur Radio Newsline reports. (ARNewsline(tm) from published news reports)

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HAMVENTION 2011: IT WAS THE SHOW TO BE AT

Dayton Hamvention 2011 is in the books and for some, the highlights included an "out of this world" experience in the visit of a NASA astronaut and a surprise guest appearance by one of the government's top communications regulators. Amateur Radio Newsline's Mark Abramowicz, NT3V has the report.

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"My call sign here on Earth is KF5BOC. But I've never used it. I call that my gravity call sign. But, my real call sign is NA1SS from the space station and I sort of got this emotional attachment to that now."

And, that's what NASA Astronaut Doug Wheelock had to say during Saturday's Youth Forum at the Dayton Hamvention, one of several events he attended during the weekend celebration of Global Friendship, the theme of this year's gathering.

Wheelock was invited to Hamvention to be part of the American Radio Relay League's Expo.

But he spent a lot of time mingling and circulating throughout various areas of the Hamvention grounds and freely signed autographs and chatted with folks and packed a Saturday afternoon forum where he talked about life aboard the International Space Station.

Wheelock says his time aboard the space station was anything but routine.

It was last July 31, only hours after a pre-arranged contact with K2BSA at the Boy Scouts of America Jamboree in Virginia that things got challenging.

"I had just shut down the tread mill and about 10 minutes later the alarms went off," Wheelock recalls. "I looked and I kept silencing the alarms, silencing the alarm. I picked up the mic and said 'Houston are you there?'

"And, they weren't answering and so then I looked and all my crewmates were there and they said: 'What did you do?' I said: 'I just turned off the tread mill, I promise you.'

"Anyway, we had a pump module that failed, we ended up having to go outside and do three space walks."

And, Wheelock says, it was great to know there were people -other than his crewmates and NASA engineers - who he could talk to and decompress as they battled to fix the problem...

"As we came back in from those spacewalks. I got on the ham radio and we talked about it and everything," Wheelock says. "Using that radio and having you guys as an emergency contact for us around the globe was a warm, warm feeling for me as a commander aboard that space station."

And, Wheelock says, he looked at ham radio aboard the ISS as a critical back-up, should all else fail...

"I thought, you know, I have these emergency contacts on every continent on that planet down there," Wheelock recalls. "And, I thought if my communication goes out with Mission Control, I am not hesitating one bit to call some of my friends and say: 'Hey, Chris, can you give Mission Control a jingle and tell 'em that we're okay.' "

And, Wheelock says, becoming a ham has been a life-changing experience....

"The friends that I made in the amateur radio business and community, I now feel like a just an entrenched member of this community and it really truly has changed my life for the better," Wheelock says.

Finally, Wheelock recalls "crossing the line." He thought it was harmless when he did it. But his NASA ham radio instructor informed him after he did it that...well, let's have him tell the story of wishing a frequent friend over Europe by the name of Fabiano a happy birthday...

"I felt like I was kind of slapped on the wrist by NASA and then I thought, and then I felt flattered that my singing of Happy Birthday was actually considered music," he says.

Wheelock truly was a hit, stopping to take pictures with nearly everyone who asked and signing program books and NASA photos.

He'll also be appearing in an upcoming video the ARRL is producing.

Now, what else happened at Dayton?

Well, imagine you're Hamvention chairman Michael Kalter W8CI, and you get word Federal Communications Commission Chairman Julius Genachowski is "in the house" and wants an audience.

No fooling!

Genachowski had a flight diverted to Dayton Friday night because of the storms in the Midwest and was told it might be a problem finding a hotel room because of the Hamvention.

Well, Genachowski found a room and decided to check out ham radio for himself and this big gathering of hams from around the world.

As Kalter and others from the Dayton Hamvention committee tell it, Genachowski spent about two hours at the gathering. He circulated among many, including those in the main arena where he chatted with folks about the advanced technology in use in amateur radio today.

The Dayton Hamvention committee estimated attendance of at least 20-thousand and say they got positive feedback from both the inside vendors and those in the flea market.

One little glitch made this year's Hamvention a bit memorable.

Early in the afternoon, Hara Arena personnel began closing off all the restrooms with yellow caution tape and directing people to porta-potties outside.

Most didn't learn until later that major sewer line broke, sending its contents into an area of the flea market.

Well, the affected flea market spots were moved, the leak was temporarily fixed, and people came back Sunday for the final day of events.

I'll be back next week with more on Hamvention 2011, including a special interview with a YL who has been a big part of activities in Dayton for 24 years. Next year, she's looking forward to 25 and she'll clue us in on what she has in store.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, from Dayton, I'm Mark Abramowicz, NT3V.

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More on Hamvention 2011 next week. (ARNewsline(tm). NT3V)

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RADIO POLITICS: COUNCIL OF EUROPE ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS RF FREE ZONES

The Council of Europe's Parliamentary Assembly Committee on the Environment released a report titled The Potential Dangers of Electromagnetic Fields and Their Effect on the Environment. The paper, made public on May 6th carries recommendations that, if adopted, could have major implications for wireless carriers and, to a lesser extent, broadcasters and any RF emitter in the European Union.

In regard to standards or threshold values for emissions of electromagnetic fields of all types and frequencies, the Assembly that

prepared the report recommends that the "as low as reasonably achievable" principle be applied. This, covering both the so-called thermal effects as well as the biological effects of electromagnetic emissions or radiation.

The report also is among the first to give credibility to a phenomena that most scientists and researchers have long been skeptical of. Paragraph 8.1.4 of the report recommends member states of the Council of Europe pay particular attention to the needs of what it calls electro-sensitive persons. These are people who claim that they suffer from a syndrome of intolerance to electromagnetic fields. The report suggests the introduction of special measures to protect these people. This includes the creation of wave-free areas not covered by a wireless network. What effect acceptance and implementation of the recommendations would have on ham radio operations in Europe remain to be determined. (RW)

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RADIO POLITICS: NY HAM DELEGATION CLAIMS 420 TO 450 MHZ TO BE REMOVED FROM HR-607

A delegation of Amateur Radio operators from the Long Island and metro New York City area say that they met the morning of May 19th with Congressman Peter T. King of New York. King is the mastermind behind HR 607, which in its present form would sell off part of the 70 centimeter band to help defray the cost of a proposed 700 MHz interoperable first response emergency communications network.

According to the groups spokesman, Mike Lisenco, N2YBB, Congressman King said that he fully understands and appreciates the importance of Amateur Radio and the service it provides to the community. Also, that he would see to the modification of the bill so that the 420 to 440 MHz band would be excluded from the spectrum to be auctioned.

According to Lisenco, the Congressman went on to explain that it was never his intention to remove the 70 centimeter band from Amateur use. He also requested that the four ham delegation inform the Amateur Radio community that 70 centimeters is not in jeopardy.

The delegation says that it operated independently of the ARRL's organized effort to derail the portion of the 70 centimeter band that would have put 420 to 440 MHz in jeopardy. In addition to Lisenco the group included Peter Portanova, WB2OQQ, George Tranos, N2GA,, and Jim

Mezey, W2KFV.

As we go to air, its now it's a waiting game to see if Congressman King can keep his promise to get 420 to 440 MHz removed from the measure. As has been pointed out to Newsline by several who understand the U-S legislative system, Representative King lost all control over the content of HR-607 as soon as he submitted it for congressional law making consideration. Because of this, all he can do is recommended that it be changed but he cannot force this to happen.

In reality, HR-607 is now under the control of the Subcommittee on Communications and Technology of the House Energy and Commerce Committee. So until both he and the Subcommittee on Communications and Technology act, the threat to the 420 to 440 MHz spectrum remains real, and ham radio operators nationwide have to keep their eyes and ears open on this one. (N2YBB)

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RADIO POLITICS: SENATE VERSION OF HR 607 PROTECTS HAM RADIO

In a related story, the ARRL reports that on Thursday, May 19, Senators Joe Lieberman and John McCain introduced Senate measure S 1040 which is similar to HR 607. The big difference is that unlike HR 607, the Senate version does not call for auctioning any portions of Amateur Radio spectrum. (ARRL)

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RESCUE RADIO: MISSION VIEJO CA USES RACES IN PREPAREDNESS EXERCISE

In an effort to keep itself safe and prepared for emergencies, Mission Viejo, California city staff and members of the local ham radio community recently participated in the Golden Guardian 2011 emergency response exercise.

Golden Guardian 2011 was an emergency preparedness exercise sponsored by the California Office of Homeland Security. As part of the detailed training program, the city called into action the Mission Viejo Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Services or RACES team. Like others of its kind, Mission Viejo RACES is a volunteer group of amateur radio operators that deploy as the city's backup emergency communications system in the event that other methods of communication fail.

The Mission Viejo's exercise was part of a county-wide effort to test emergency communications systems in the City's Emergency Operations Center using a winter storm response scenario. Located at Mission Viejo City Hall, the EOC is a secure facility where city department heads are able to work in the event of a large disaster. Mission Viejo's RACES is headed up by Charley Speelman, WA6RUZ. (K6HIV)

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ENFORCEMENT: HAM FINED $4000 FOR OUT OF BAND OPERATION

The FCC has issued a Forfeiture Order in the mount of $4000 to Jose Torres, N3TX, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. This for what the regulatory agency says was Torres willfully and repeatedly operating his amateur station on an unauthorized frequency in violation of Section 1.903 (a) of the Commission's Rules.

Back in 2009 the FCC issued an Notice of Apparent Liability to monetary forfeiture to Torres after receiving a complaint of interference in 2008. Agents in the Enforcement Bureau's Philadelphia Office used mobile direction finding equipment in April and June of that year to determine the source of interference. Both times, they found that the source was coming from Torres' residence and that the interference consisted of unauthorized radio transmissions on 26.71 MHz.

Torres met with agents in the FCC's Philadelphia Office in February 2009 to respond to the findings in the Notice of Apparent Liability. During the meeting, Torres claimed that he was not at home during the alleged unauthorized operations in April and June of 2008. He also submitted cell phone records in support of this claim. Torres also presented the FCC with his most recent three years of federal tax returns to support his request for a reduction based on an inability to pay the $4000 forfeiture.

In its May 16th announcement affirming the Forfeiture Order, the FCC stated that it found no merit to Torres' claim that he was not at home when the unauthorized transmissions took place. It noted that the cellular phone records prove nothing more than the fact that he was using his cell phone and not the wire-line telephone located in his home. And after reviewing Torres tax records the FCC declined to reduce the amount of the forfeiture, based on Torres claim that was unable to pay it. The FCC says that after having reviewed the documentation Torres provided, it concludes that a reduction of the forfeiture is not warranted.

Torres was given the customary 30 days to pay the monetary forfeiture or to file a further appeal. (FCC)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: VA3WXM ELECTED RAC ONTARIO SOUTH DIRECTOR

Some names in the news. First up is Jeffrey Stewart, VA3WXM who was recently elected as the Radio Amateurs of Canada Director for Ontario South for the remainder of a two year term which ends December 31, 2011. Stewart emerged with the majority vote over Nelson Jenking, VA3NDJ in a mail ballot closing May 13th for the Ontario South Director's position. Stewart has been a certified amateur operator since March 1999 and involved in many aspects of the hobby including a recent term as President of the Mississauga Amateur Radio Club. (RAC)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: CQ ANNOUNCES HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

And CQ magazine has announced its 2011 Hall of Fame inductees, welcoming 12 new members into the CQ Amateur Radio Hall of Fame.

Topping this years list alphabetically is TV and Film producer Dave Bell, W6AQ, who was chosen for this honor based on his deep involvement in producing multiple amateur radio promotional videos over the past several decades.

Also from Southern California is Nate Brightman, K6OSC. He is credited with being the "spark" behind W6RO, the ham station aboard the Queen Mary in Long Beach, California.

Rounding out the California contingent is Cardinal Roger Mahony, W6QYI, the Archbishop Emeritus of Los Angeles. He was recognized for his leadership as an advocate for immigration reform.

Others recognized include Ron Moorefield, W8ILC of Kettering, Ohio. Since its inception, Moorefield has been one of the guiding lights of the Dayton Hamvention. He was also recognized for his work as a coordinator of the cross-country 1984 Olympic Torch Relay.

There was also one each member inducted into the CQ DX Hall of Fame and the CQ Contest Hall of Fame. The 2011 inductee to the CQ DX Hall of Fame is Michael J. McGirr, K9AJ. McGirr has been a leading DXpeditioner who has operated literally from the ends of the Earth over nearly 30 years. The 2011 inductee to the CQ Contest Hall of Fame is John Sluymer, VE3EJ, who has been an active contester and DXer since 1973. He is a founding member and current president of Contest Club Ontario.

The CQ Amateur Radio Hall of Fame honors those individuals, whether licensed hams or not, who have made significant contributions to amateur radio; and those amateurs who have made significant contributions either to amateur radio, to their professional careers or to some other aspect of life on our planet. The CQ Contest and DX Halls of Fame honor those amateurs who not only excel in personal performance in these major areas of amateur radio but who also "give back" to the hobby in outstanding ways. Formal inductions to the CQ Contest and DX Halls of Fame took place at last weeks Dayton Hamvention. A complete list of this years inductees is on-line at www.cq-amateur-radio.com. (CQ)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: ISS EXPEDITION 27 CREW RETURNS TO EARTH

International Space Station Expedition 27 Commander Dmitry Kondratyev along with Flight Engineers Cady Coleman, KC5ZTH and Paolo Nespoli, IZ0JPA safely landed their Soyuz spacecraft in Kazakhstan on Monday, June 23rd wrapping up a five-month stay aboard the orbital outpost.

Before making its descent to Earth, the Soyuz backed 600 feet away from the ISS after which Nespoli took the first still images and video of a space shuttle docked to the station. The orbiting laboratory had to rotate 130 degrees to provide an ideal view for the historic imagery.

Russian recovery teams were on hand to help the crew exit the Soyuz and adjust to gravity. Kondratyev was to return to the Gagarin Cosmonaut Training Center in Star City, outside of Moscow, while Coleman and Nespoli will fly directly to the Johnson Space Center in Houston, Texas. (Southgate)

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HAM RADIO NEAR SPACE: EOSS TO FLY BALLOON NUMBER 164

Edge of Space Sciences will be flying its 164th stratospheric balloon flight on Saturday May 28th at 7:10 Mountain Standard Time out of Windsor, Colorado. This flight will be in support of Colorado University Boulder's Space Grant Consortium. The tentative payload frequencies are 147.555 MHz with a CW I-D of AE0SS for the beacon and 144.340 MHz for APRS tracking using the call AE0SS-11. For the latest information please check the Edge of Space Sciences website at www.eoss.org. (KC0UUO)

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RADIO FROM SPACE: TWIN VOYAGERS SET TO ENTER INTERSTELLAR SPACE

More than 30 years after they left Earth, NASA's twin Voyager probes are now at the edge of the solar system and set to enter Interstellar space. And with each passing day they are radioing back information that to scientists is both unsettling and thrilling. Jeff Clark, K8JAC, reports:

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Voyager 2 launched on August 20, 1977, from Cape Canaveral, Florida aboard a Titan-Centaur rocket. On September 5, Voyager 1 launched, also from Cape Canaveral aboard another Titan-Centaur. He initial chore for each Voyager was to take advantage of a rare alignment of outer planets for an unprecedented grand tour. Voyager 1 visited Jupiter and Saturn, while Voyager 2 flew past Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus and Neptune.

The Voyager spacecraft became the third and fourth human spacecraft to fly beyond all the planets in our solar system. Pioneers 10 and 11 preceded Voyager in outstripping the gravitational attraction of the Sun but on February 17, 1998, Voyager 1 passed Pioneer 10 to become the most distant human-made object in space.

No one knows exactly how many more miles the Voyagers must travel before they pop into interstellar space. Most researchers believe, however, that the end is near. The two Voyagers are currently within the Heliosheath at the end of the galaxy. It is believed to be 3 to 4 billion miles in thickness. According to one NASA researcher, that means they could be out within five years or so.

I'm Jeff Clark, K8JAC

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For more information about the Voyager spacecraft, visit voyager.jpl.nasa.gov and www.nasa.gov/voyager (NASA)

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In DX, HA0HW will be active again stroke SV8 from Thassos Island through June 5th. He will operate on the HF bands and 6 meters. QSL via his home callsign preferably through the bureau.

TJ3AY has been issued special callsign TJ3IC to be used through months end to commemorate the 51st anniversary of the independence of Cameroon. QSL via F5LGE.

Three Czech Republic operators will be on the Island of Crete until months end signing portable SV9. They also plan a few side trips to offshore islands, which will count as IOTA EU-187. QSL this one as directed on the air.

Lastly, The Pacific-DXer's Web page is reporting that plans are progressing for the upcoming C21AA DXpedition to take place between November 13th and December 5th. Operations will be led by VK4FW, with liaison support by VK4AN. They expect to have at least 3 stations active on all bands 160 through 6 meters using CW/SSB/RTTY/PSK31. Also, a dedicated station will be set up on 6 meters running in the beacon mode. QSL Managers are the Pacific DXers, or by the Bureau via VK4FW.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: REGISTRATION OPEN FOR USA NATIONAL ARDF CHAMPIONSHIPS

And finally this week, registration is now open for the biggest event of the year for on-foot hidden transmitter hunters. September 16 through 18 are the dates for USA's national championships of Amateur Radio Direction Finding, or ARDF. Newsline's Joe Moell K0OV,has the details:

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Who are the best transmitter hunters in the country? That's what we'll find out when the Eleventh USA ARDF Championships get under way near Albuquerque, New Mexico. Members of Albuquerque Amateur Radio Club and

New Mexico Orienteers promise two challenging radio-orienteering courses. One will be on two meters, and the other on 80 meters. This is a test of individuals, and it's all on foot. You'll have five transmitters to find each day, negotiating your way through the forest with your map, compass and direction-finding gear. If you can walk or jog a 5 km racecourse, you have the stamina to complete an ARDF event. If you're a senior citizen, don't worry about being trounced by teenagers, because there are a total of ten age categories, six for men and boys, four for women and girls.

This year, the USA Championships are an international event, combined with the International Amateur Radio Union Region 2 ARDF Championships. If past events are any indication, there will be plenty of international experts in the sport on hand, so you'll have a chance to learn foxtailing tips and techniques from the very best. Positions on ARDF Team USA to next year's World Championships in Serbia are open, so perhaps you can earn a spot for yourself. We're looking for good candidates in all age/gender categories, so encourage your kids and grandkids to give it a try.

If you're new to the sport, arrive two days early for a pre-event training camp, where experts will teach you what you need to know to find those transmitters in the woods.

It may seem like September is a long way away, but the organizers need an accurate head count very soon so they can plan for the buses to take the competitors to the competition sites. So if you're thinking about participating, get the registration form from the Web and send it in right away, or contact the organizers by e-mail to let them know you want to come. There's more information about the event and links to the organizers at www.homingin.com. That's one word "homingin" ---homingin.com. At that site you'll also find lots more about transmitter hunting, including equipment ideas and techniques. View photos of past USA Championships to get a good idea what to expect.

>From southern California, where there's some kind of transmitter hunt almost every weekend, this is Joe Moell, K0OV, for Amateur Radio Newsline.

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Again that website Joe mentioned is www.homingin.com. (K0OV, ARNewsline(tm))

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB, the Southgate News and Australia's WIA News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is Newsline (at) arnewsline (dot) org. More information is available at Amateur Radio

Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California, 91350

And a reminder that the nominating period for the year 2011 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award is now open. Created by Newsline back in 1986, this award is offered to recognize one young United States or Canadian radio amateur age 18 or younger for his or her contributions to society through Amateur Radio.

As in years past, the 2011 recipient will receive an expense paid trip to the Huntsville Hamfest in Huntsville Alabama courtesy of Vertex-Standard Corporation which produces Yaesu brand amateur radio gear. Vertex-Standard will also present this years winner with a special ham radio related gift. CQ Magazine will again treat the recipient to a week at Spacecamp-Huntsville. We at Amateur Radio Newsline will present the winner with a plaque honoring his or her achievements.

All nominations and materials required by the official rules must be received by ARNewsline before June 30, 2011. A downloadable nominating form is at our website at www.arnewsline.org. A nominating form can also be obtained by sending a request along with a self addressed stamped envelope to the Young Ham of the Year Award in care of Amateur Radio Newsline, Inc. 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California 91350.

Again, the cutoff date for these years Young Ham of the Year Award nominations is June 30th. We ask you to do your part by nominating a young ham who has done something special related to ham radio. The nomination form is at www.arnewsline.org.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editor's desk, I'm, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 29th May 2011

The news headlines:

* Foundation Syllabus changes on 1 July
* Train the trainers session to be held in Derby
* Japan drops Morse requirement

The syllabus of the Foundation examination changes on 1 July this year. A new question on etiquette and dealing with abuse will be added, making 26 questions in total on each paper. The pass mark is 19 correct answers. Details are on the RCF examinations website at www.commsfoundation.org/rce, where you will need to click on Foundation Syllabus - current.

A Train the Trainers course will take place on 18 June at the Old Mill Community Centre, West Street, South Normanton, Derbyshire. The event will start at 10am and includes a free lunch as well as a raffle. If any tutors would like to attend, please contact Jim Stevenson, G0EJQ, by email to g0ejq@live.co.uk.

The Japanese radio regulatory council recently announced that the Morse requirement for amateur radio licenses will shortly be dropped. The move comes after a public consultation following the decisions taken at WRC-2003. The RSGB understands that the change will be effective from 1 October 2011.

Would all those still intending to take part in the International Museums Weekend in June please register via the IMW website. This includes those who are registering for the first time as well as those who have taken part in the past and need to update their registration. The URL is www.ukradioamateur.co.uk/imw.

The BBC Community Bus paid a visit to West Tyrone Amateur Radio Club. Some of its members attended a 2 day radio production workshop on board the Bus. They learned how a magazine style radio programme is produced and gained new skills in interviewing, collecting vox pops, scripting and presenting. If you would like to listen to the result, go to http://wtarc.co.uk/news.aspx.

At the recent Dayton Hamvention, Sylvia Margolis was posthumously inducted into the CQ Amateur Radio Hall of Fame. The Hall of Fame honours those individuals, whether licensed amateurs or not, who have made significant contributions to amateur radio. Sylvia was a prolific

author for CQ magazine in the 1960s and early 70s and was well known for her humorous look at the hobby. She was also the first Public Relations Officer for the Radio Society of Great Britain. Her son, well-known DXer Laurie Margolis, G3UML, said he was "Somewhat stunned and rather chuffed" when he heard the news.

There are three UK Buildathon events taking place this year. On 5 June the Buildathon team will be at Torbay ARC building a Manhattan-style Sudden receiver. Booking details are on the Torbay club's website at www.tars.org.uk. Then in July, at the QRP in the Country event on the 17th, a Cary regenerative receiver is the project. Finally, the G-QRP Club is planning to have a Friday night Buildathon and social supper on 21 October, the eve of the Rishworth Convention. Details from www.gqrp.com/rishworth.htm. All these will be ideal for Intermediate students to build their projects and get some of the test meter assessments signed off.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

The 21st annual Waters and Stanton Open Day will take place today, 29 May. Essex CW Club, who won the Region 12 Club of the Year award will collect their trophy from Waters & Stanton, who sponsor both the Region 12 Trophy and the National Trophy scheme too.

D-Star Northants and UKIT are organising a D-Star Meet and Greet Day today, 29 May. This will be held in Northampton at Tetra Communications, Bunting Road, Northampton NN2 6EE. The event will include help and advice from D-Star Northants and UK IT.

Porthcurno Telegraph Museum has an open day today, 29 May. Doors open from 10am to 5pm to celebrate the 70th anniversary of the opening of the wartime tunnels at Porthcurno. This event is open to all, but the museum would particularly like to hear from anyone who was involved at Porthcurno during WW2 or who had an involvement in any other way. Entry to the museum, including the tunnels, will be free to all on this day.

Next weekend, 5 June is a busy day for rallies up and down the country. The Newhaven Fort Amateur Radio Group Rally and Fort Open Day takes place at Newhaven Fort, East Sussex, near the southern end of the A26. Entry is £2 and the doors open at 10.30am. Details from Eddie, G0ECW on 01273 300772.

The Spalding & DARS annual rally will be held at The Sir John Gleed Technology School, Halmer Gardens, Spalding, Lincs, PE11 2EF. There is free car parking and the doors open at 10am. Details from John, G4NBR, on 0794 630 2815.

The 15th Red Rose QRP Festival will take place at Formby Hall, Alder Street, Atherton, Manchester M46 9EY. There is free car parking and entry is £2. There will be a Bring & Buy. Details from Les Jackson, G4HZJ on 01942 870634.

Finally for 5 June, the Hull & District Amateur Radio Society Grand Auction and Mini Rally will be held at the HADARS Club House, Goathland Close, Hull. Doors open at 12 noon and the sale starts at 1.30pm. There will be a Bring & Buy with 10% of proceeds to the club funds. To book any items in before the sale call Keith on 01482 217776.

Now for the news of special events

The Royal Naval Amateur Radio Society will run GB6COD at the open day in HMS Collingwood on 4 June. The station will be operational on all amateur bands from 1.8MHz to 440MHz. The Society headquarters station will be open for viewing from 9.30am to 6pm on the day. Advanced tickets will be available from Gosport and Fareham Tourist Information Offices and Portsmouth News Offices from May 2011.

GB0VUL will be on the air promoting and celebrating the continued flying of XH558, the world's only flying Vulcan bomber. The station will be on the air today, 29 May, from the Air Training Corps Hall in Newbury. This is the 3rd consecutive year this call has been run by members of Newbury and District Amateur Radio Society. More information can be found at www.vulcantothesky.org.

The Geoparks Communication Weekend will take place this weekend, 28 and 29 May. GB6GEO will be on again this year from Occombe Farm in Torbay. There will be several other Geopark stations operating around the world. There is an award available for contacting Geopark stations. More information on qrz.com.

As part of the Imagineering stand at the Bath and West Show, Weymouth College are putting on a special event station to demonstrate amateur radio to visitors. The idea is to particularly allow young people to send greetings via the HF special event station GB0BAW. If there are any local amateurs who are planning on visiting the show and would like to help operate the station that will be on the air for the duration of the agricultural show between 1 and 4 June, please contact Rob, G0ECX whose details are on QRZ.com, or telephone 01305 787120.

And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

Glasgow and Clyde RAYNET Group will be active on the Island of Jura, which is IOTA reference EU008, until 2 June. The group is providing emergency safety communications for the annual Fell Race on the 28th. They will also be activating the island on all HF bands using group callsign GS0RAY/P throughout the week. Reports are most welcome. For further details please contact group controller Paul Lucas on 07768 271736 or by e-mail to mm3ddq@yahoo.co.uk.

VE7/DK6AO will stay on Quadra island in British Columbia between May 30 and June 7. QSL via his home callsign either via the bureau or direct.

Jan, PA4JJ will be active holiday style as 9A/PA4JJ from Porec on the Croatian mainland between 6 and 24 June. He will operate RTTY and PSK31 most of the time. QSL via his home callsign.

I2VGW, IZ2LSC and IZ3EZV will be active as HB0/homecall from Liechtenstein between 2 and 5 June. They plan to operate holiday style CW, SSB and RTTY, with main focus to be given to 12, 17 and 30 metres and the upper HF bands. They will also give 6 metres a try. QSL via their home callsigns.

Now the contest news

On 31 May, the 70MHz UK Activity Contest takes place from 1900 to 2130UTC. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

CW NFD is the first HF event of the month on 4 and 5 June. With HF propagation much improved this year, smart competing stations will be keeping a very careful listen on 10m. When it opens there will be a real feeding frenzy because, like 160m, QSOs on 10m are worth double points. Running from 1500 to 1500UTC and using all bands from 1.8 to 28MHz, the exchange is signal report and serial number.

The UK 6m Group's Summer Es Contest also takes place for 24 hours over the weekend of 4 and 5 June. You can participate and give points away even if you're not a member. Send a report, serial number and your locator, and expect to receive the same plus a membership number. Remember that many members of UKSMG are experts on 6m, so they're likely to hear you even if your station is far from ideal for the band. The contest runs from 1200 to 1200UTC.

And now the solar factual data for the period from the 16th to the 22nd of May, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on the 23rd of May.

Solar activity was very low every day except for a C2 class solar flare that took place on the 18th from a sunspot group that was in the process of rotating out of view around the west limb. The solar disc had a number of sunspot groups visible every day with 5 on the 18th. All of the groups were small and magnetically simple. Solar flux levels reflected this and declined from 92 units on the 16th and the 17th to 84 by the 19th. The average was 87 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 22nd was 108. That's two units down on last week. X-ray flux levels also declined as expected from B1.4 units on the 17th to A6.8 on the 21st. The average was A9.4 units. Geomagnetic activity started at just unsettled levels with the Ap index of 12 and 10 units on the 16th and the 17th respectively. Quiet conditions then prevailed to the end of the period as the effects of the coronal hole declined. The average was Ap 6 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds decline from 600 kilometres per second on the 17th to 310 by the 21st. Particle densities remained low throughout. Bz varied between minus and plus 7 nanoTeslas on the 16th, which was the most disturbed day, and between minus 4 and plus 3 nanoTeslas on the quiet days.

Sporadic-E was reported daily on 28 and 50MHz, with double-hop propagation on 50MHz on several days. 70MHz was also open across much of Europe on several days. During the 21st an opening took place on 144MHz but it would appear only affected the Mediterranean area.

And now the solar forecast. This week solar activity is expected to be very low to low. However, the latest STEREO spacecraft images show a large active region that will be rotating into view today or tomorrow. How active this region will be only time will tell. Solar flux levels should be around the 100 mark but could be much higher if this region is still active. Geomagnetic activity is expected to be unsettled today and tomorrow due to the effects of a coronal hole but then activity is expected to be quiet for the rest of the week. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 22MHz for the south and 19MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be about 12MHz. Paths this week to South Africa should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of about 29MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be around 22MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 1100 and 1500 hours. Sporadic-E is expected to take place most days. During the more intense openings double hop events could take place along with openings on 144MHz.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your

transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS On Monday 30 May Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is having a bank holiday get-together and operating session at Crickley Hill. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548478, daytime.

On Monday 30 May Lincoln Short-Wave Club is operating GB2CWF for Mills On The Air at Ellis Mill. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

On Monday 30 May South Birmingham Radio Society is closed. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Tuesday 31 May Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 31 May Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is having a practical evening. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Wednesday 1 June Lincoln Short-Wave Club is putting G5FZ on the air. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

On Wednesday 1 June Midland Amateur Radio Society is on the air and holding training classes. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 01214 229 787.

On Wednesday 1 June South Birmingham Radio Society is having a lecture in the main hall. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Wednesday 1 June South Kesteven Amateur Radio Society is having an informal evening. Contact Nigel, M0CVO, on 01476 402550.

On Wednesday 1 June Telford & District Amateur Radio Society HQ is closed, there will be a net on 3.675 and 144.6 MHz plus a committee meeting /A. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday 2 June Hucknall Rolls Royce Amateur Radio Club is holding a 10km fox hunt at 19.15 GMT from the club car park at Hucknall. More information from Dave Wilde, G1YAI, on 0844 4355593.

On Thursday 2 June Salop Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by Ken, G8DIR on building a simple VHF and UHF antenna. Details on the club website at www.salop-ars.org.uk.

On Thursday 2 June South Birmingham Radio Society is having training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603. On Friday 3 June Bromsgrove & District Amateur Radio Club is preparing for NFD and operating on VHF. Contact Chris, M0BQE on 01905 776 869.

On Friday 3 June Coventry Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by M0URX on the Ramsay Island DXpedition, MC0SHL. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777363.

On Friday 3 June Nunsfield House Amateur Radio Group is having a shack night. Details from Ken Frankcom, G3OCA, on 01332 720976.

On Friday 3 June South Birmingham Radio Society is having a construction evening. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Saturday 4 June Lincoln Short-Wave Club is in the Shack. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

On Sunday 5 June Lincoln Short-Wave Club is attending the Spalding rally. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND On Monday 30 May Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is closed. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 0191 477 0036.

On Monday 30 May Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is holding part 2 of its Foundation pre-course taster, having an informal social night and preparing for VHF NFD. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 30 May Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is closed. Details on the web at www.tcars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 31 May Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is finalising the display stand for Halifax Charity Gala. Contact Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341317.

On Wednesday 1 June Chorley and District Amateur Radio Society commences its Foundation and Intermediate courses. Places are still available if you act quickly. Contact Denise, M0NES, by email to nessie68@hotmail.com.

On Wednesday 1 June Denby Dale Radio Club is planning for GB2HS at Honley Show. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220126.

On Wednesday 1 June Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is having a fox hunt and preparing for NFD. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240573.

On Thursday 2 June South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having a talk on a regenerative transceiver by Ged, G8RSI and Bill, G4NOL. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 0161 969 3999.

On Friday 3 June East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is on the air. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Saturday 4 June Hornsea Amateur Radio Club commences its weekend National Field Day event at Bewholme. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240573.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND On Thursday 2 June Bangor & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its annual BBQ at the Scout campsite, Crawfordsburn Country park. Contact Mike, GI4XSF, on 028 4277 2383.

On Monday 30 May GEARS is closed. For more information contact Peter, MI5JYK.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND We start with advance notice from Borders Amateur Radio Society. The local organisers of the Birgham Fete have changed the date. It is now to be on Saturday 26 June, not 16 July as originally planned. Borders Amateur Radio Society will be operating special event station GB4BBR on HF and 2m from the village play park during the Fete. More information from Glenys, MM0YLG on 0794 491 2751.

On Monday 30 May Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club evening. Details from Norman, on 07740 946192.

On Wednesday 1 June Ayr Amateur Radio Group is having a chinwag night at the new venue, Coylton School. Details from Tom Ferguson, GM1OST, on 01292 532 088.

On Wednesday 1 June West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society has Solder Group homebrew projects & licence training. More information from Fred Coombes, 2M0BIN, on 01415 715512.

On Thursday 2 June Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is holding a junk sale. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663.

On Friday 3 June Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club is having a normal club night. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723.

On Friday 3 June West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society is having presentations, guest speakers, a quiz and a raffle. More information from Fred Coombes, 2M0BIN, on 01415 715512.

On Saturday 4 June Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is taking part in National Field Day. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA We start with advance notice from Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society that they will be celebrating the centenary of the birth of Louis Varney. Although best known as G5RV, he held 55 callsigns, operated from 75 countries and gave his callsign to the famous aerial he designed. On 7 June there will be a grand meeting to celebrate his life. On 9 June, the centenary of his birth, CARS will operate GB5RVA that's A for Anniversary from the Marconi Hut, Sandford Mill, Chelmsford. Operations will be CW on 20m an SSB on 80m, 9am to 5pm. More information from Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Sunday 29 May Coalhouse Fort Amateur Radio Society is having an open day. Contact John Parker, M1DUC, by email to coalhouserad1o@yahoo.com.

On Monday 30 May Felixtowe & District Amateur Radio Society is closed. More information from Paul, G4YQC, by email to pjw@btinternet.com.

On Tuesday 31 May Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720815.

On Tuesday 31 May Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is having a club net night. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Wednesday 1 June Bury St Edmonds Amateur Radio Society is operating GB3EA for the club net at 8pm. Details from. Details from George Woods, G3LPT on 01359 259518.

On Wednesday 1 June Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is having a general meeting and CW training session. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday 1 June Havering & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by John, M0UKD on the workings of the club website. More information from John, M0UKD, on 07890 222111.

On Wednesday 1 June Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is preparing for its fox hunt. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898678.

On Wednesday 1 June Southdown Amateur Radio Society is operating at the Hailsham Shack. Details from John, G3DQY, on 01424 424 319.

On Wednesday 1 June Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on noise reduction by Graham Somerville of bhi. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816684.

Lowestoft District & Pye Amateur Radio Club would like to remind listeners that it meets every Thursday evening at its shack, also fortnightly on a Monday for a purely operating evening. Contact Lee, 2E1LJL on 01502 564242 for more information.

On Thursday 2 June Cray Valley Radio Society is having a club presentation. Details from Bob, M0MCV, on 020 8265 7735 after 8pm.

On Thursday 2 June Horndean & District Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night and social evening. Contact Stuart, G0FYX, on 023 9247 2846. On Thursday 2 June Horsham Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on repairing vintage radios by David Smith, M0SXD. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk.

On Thursday 2 June Verulam Amateur Radio Club is having a social evening from 7.30pm at the Queens Head Pub, Sandridge. Details from Tony, 2EOWAP, on 01727 853087.

On Friday 3 June Crystal Palace Radio and Electronics Club is having a talk on domestic hot water using three forms of energy by Jim Lugsden. Contact Bob, G3OOU, on 01737 552 170., g3oou@aol.com

On Friday 3 June Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a radio night. Contact Peter, G4AKG, on 01444 239371.

On Friday 3 June Wey Valley Amateur Radio Group is holding its AGM. Details on the web at www.weyvalleyarg.org.uk.

On Saturday 4 June Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720815.

On Saturday 4 June Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society is operating GB2AVF from the Abridge Village Fete. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 020 8502 1645.

On Saturday 4 June Newbury & District Amateur Radio Society is taking part in National Field Day. For more information contact Rob, G3LMW, on 01635 862737.

On Saturday 4 June Norfolk Amateur Radio Club commences its weekend event, taking part in the National Field Day CW contest. The club also commences its Radio Active practical radio weekend at DCP near Great Ellingham. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898678.

On Saturday 4 June Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is putting Worthing Museum on the air as GB2WM. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816684.

On Sunday 5 June Echelford Amateur Radio Society is attending the Vandals Rugby Club open day. Contact John, G4GSC, on 01784 451898.

On Sunday 5 June Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is having a breakfast meeting in Goring cafe. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816684.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST On Monday 30 May Bristol RSGB Group is having a talk on the GB3WX crossband repeater by Dave Boniface G3ZXX. Details from Robin, G3TKF, on 01225 420442.

On Tuesday 31 May Blackmoor Vale Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. Contact Tony, G0GFL, on 01258 860741.

On Wednesday 1 June Taunton & District Amateur Radio Club is having a visit by PW editor Rob Mannion, G3XFD. Contact William, G3WNI, on 01823 666 234 for more information.

On Wednesday 1 June Trowbridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having short talks by club members. Details from Ian, G0GRI, on 01225 864 698, evenings and weekends.

On Thursday 2 June Cornish Radio Amateur Club is having a talk on crystals by Mr L Harding. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844939.

On Thursday 2 June South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is watching films of Bristol. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695471.

On Thursday 2 June Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having an activity night. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317750.

On Thursday 2 June Yeovil Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on direction finding by G0GFL. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk.

On Friday 3 June Torbay Amateur Radio Society is making final preparations for the Buildathon. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

On Saturday 4 June Taunton & District Amateur Radio Club commences its weekend event, participating in the RSGB National Field Day. Contact William, G3WNI, on 01823 666 234 for more information.

On Sunday 5 June Torbay Amateur Radio Society is hosting the Torbay Buildathon, which is open to non- members. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES On Monday 30 May Llanelli Amateur Radio Society is closed. Contact Craig, MW0MXT, on 01269 840292.

On Tuesday 1 June Meirion ARS is holding a cheese, wine and direction finding night, followed by the Meirion Raynet group AGM. The evening starts around 7.30pm at The Caf&#65533; at Dyffryn Ardudwy Village Hall, Main Road, Dyffryn Ardudwy, Gwynedd LL44 2BE. For more information contact John, MW0VTK, on 07772 720099.

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** EDITOR'S SPECIAL NOTICE: This week's bulletin was sent out earlier than normal to accommodate the late CQWW WPX CW Contest announcements. Also, we wanted to provide the readers with a consolidated listing of the CQWW WPX CW Contest participants.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Saturday, 21st-May, through Friday, 27th-May there were 222 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5V, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, CY0, D2, D6, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J7, J8, JA, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PY0T, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T2, T30, T32, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VP2V, VP5, VP6, VP8, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZD9, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3D2/R, ROTUMA. South Korean operators Choi/HL5FUA and Yoon/6K2GCW will be active as 3D2CJ from Rotuma (OC-060) between June 17-24th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via HL5FUA, direct or by the Bureau. For more details and updates, see: http://www.dxpedition.co.kr/rotuma_2011/index.html

4L, GEORGIA. Andi, UU0JM, will be active as 4L0A during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via LoTW.

5B, CYPRUS. Sergey, RN3QO, will be active as 5B/US7IDX during CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via RN3QO.

9A16, CROATIA (Special Event). Pope Benedict XVI will be visiting the Republic of Croatia for the first time between June 4-5th. The city of Zagreb will be his host town during his stay in Croatia. The visit inspired the members of the "Croatian Flora Fauna Radio Club" to activate a special callsign, 9A16PB (16 means XVI, and PB means Pope Benedict). Croatian hams will activate 9A16PB between May 28th and June 13th. QSL via 9A2MF. ADDED NOTE: Members of the "Croatian Flora Fauna Radio Club" will also be active as 9A1GEO from the only one Croatian Geo Park ("Papuk", 9AFF-014) during Geoparks Communication Weekend (May 28-29th). Activity will be on all bands and modes. QSL via 9A2MF. For details, look at: http://qrz.com/db/9a1geo

CQ NEWS (CQ Hall of Fame Inductees Announced). The following press release was sent out by Rich Moseson, W2VU, Editor of CQ Communications, Inc., on May 20th: "CQ ANNOUNCES 2011 HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES -- CQ magazine today announced its 2011 Hall of Fame inductees, welcoming 12 new members into the CQ Amateur Radio Hall of Fame - ranging from a champion telegrapher to a Cardinal of the Roman Catholic Church - and one new member each into the CQ DX Hall of Fame and the CQ Contest Hall of Fame. This year marks the 25th anniversary of the CQ Contest Hall of Fame and the tenth anniversary of the CQ Amateur Radio Hall of Fame (The CQ DX Hall of Fame is the oldest of the three, honoring the world's top DXers since 1967).
The CQ Amateur Radio Hall of Fame honors those individuals, whether licensed hams or not, who have made significant contributions to amateur radio; and those amateurs who have made significant contributions either to amateur radio, to their professional careers or to some other aspect of life on our planet. The 2011 inductees (listed alphabetically) are:
* Bell, Dave, W6AQ - Hollywood TV/film producer; deeply involved in producing multiple amateur radio promotional videos over several decades.
* Brightman, Nate, K6OSC - the 'spark' behind W6RO, the ham station aboard the Queen Mary in Long Beach, California.
* Ensor, Loretta, W9UA (SK) - On-air instructor in Morse code and radio fundamentals between 1929 and 1941, responsible (with her brother) for helping to get at least 900 new amateurs licensed.
* Gunderson, Bob, W2JIO (SK) - Blind ham who was Editor and Publisher of 'The Braille Technical Press;' and the 'answer man' at Hudson Radio on New York's Radio Row, where he worked three days a week as a technical

advisor and consultant for the customers.
* Mahony, Cardinal Roger, W6QYI - Archbishop Emeritus of Los Angeles, advocate for immigration reform.
* Margolis, Sylvia (no call) (SK) - Prolific CQ humor writer in the 1960s and early '70s; first public relations officer for Radio Society of Great Britain.
* McElroy, Ted (no call) (SK) - World champion radiotelegrapher and key manufacturer.
* Moorefield, Ron, W8ILC - One of the guiding lights of the Dayton Hamvention® for at least the past 30 years; national ham radio coordinator for the cross-country 1984 Olympic Torch Relay.
* Raff, Malcolm, WA2UNP (SK) - Astrophysicist, aerospace engineer and biotechnologist; developed some of the earliest DNA sequencing techniques and contributed software to the human genome project.
* Schmieder, Robert, KK6EK - Noted DXer and DXpeditioner, physicist and ecologist.
* Stodola, E. King, W2AXO (SK) - The 'father' of EME (Earth-Moon-Earth) communications.
* Taflove, Allen, WA9JLV - Professor of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science at Northwestern University and a leading authority in the field of computational electrodynamics.

CQ Contest and DX Halls of Fame
The CQ Contest and DX Halls of Fame honor those amateurs who not only excel in personal performance in these major areas of amateur radio but who also 'give back' to the hobby in outstanding ways.
The 2011 inductee to the CQ Contest Hall of Fame is:
* John Sluymer, VE3EJ - John has been an active contester and DXer since 1973. He is a founding member and current president of Contest Club Ontario, which has grown from 16 to 250 members in less than a decade. John also holds numerous Canadian domestic and DX contest records, is a frequent host for single- and multi-op contest operations from his station; a longtime member of the CQ WW Contest Committee, and a frequent speaker at hamfest forums and club meetings.

The 2011 inductee to the CQ DX Hall of Fame is:
* Michael J. McGirr, K9AJ - Mike is a leading DXpeditioner who has operated literally from the ends of the Earth over nearly 30 years. His many radio journeys have ranged from an Arctic expedition to Nunavut to Heard Island, off the coast of Antarctica, and a variety of places in between, including islands in the Indian Ocean, Caribbean and South Pacific. Mike is also a director of the Island Radio Expedition Foundation (IREF) and 2010 recipient of the W9DXCC Award of Excellence in DXing.

Formal inductions to the CQ Contest and DX Halls of Fame were scheduled for the Dayton Hamvention.®"

DAYTON HAMVENTION SWODXA AWARDS. This year at the DX Dinner Banquet, the SouthWest Ohio DX Association (SWODXA) announced "two" DXpeditions as winners of the "DXpedition of the Year Award":

VP8ORK - Signy Island (South Orkney Islands)
ZL8X - Kermadec Island
Congratulations to both operations!

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, Awards Branch Manager, reports that the following is approved for DXCC credit:
VU4PB • Andaman & Nicobar Island; 2011 Operation

E7, BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA. Operators Chris/9A5K, Ranko/E70R, Vlado/E70T, Radomir/E74IW, Zoran/E76C, Robert/E77E and Braco/E77DX will be active as E7DX during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 28-29th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via E77E.

FP, ST. PIERRE AND MIQUELON. Operators Paul/K9OT and Peg/KB9LIE will be making their 8th annual trip to Miquelon Island (NA-032), July 21st-August 4th. They will sign FP/K9OT (prefer CW on 40/30m) and FP/KB9LIE (strictly SSB, mostly 17/20/40m unless higher bands are open). They will try to run a breakable 6M beacon on 50.120. Both will be in the IOTA Contest as a Multi-Ops/Mixed-Mode entry. QSL to their home callsigns, same address, either direct with return postage/IRC or via the Bureau. Logs will eventually be uploaded to LoTW. No eQSLs. Visit the following Web page at: http://www.hamradio.pnpfarms.com

FS, FRENCH ST. MARTIN. John, K9EL, will once again be active from French St. Martin (NA-105, DIFO FS-001, WLOTA 0383, Grid Loc. FK88) between June 7-19th. Activity will be holiday style (on a family vacation) and he will be operating as FS/K9EL whenever possible. He will be using an IC7000 and verticals for 80-10 meters, a 3 element yagi for 6 meters and will be on CW, SSB and possibly some RTTY. Please QSL to his home callsign, Bureau cards are "OK". LoTW update will be done upon his return. John states, "I may do some 6m operation from PJ7."

II9, ITALY. Latvian and Lithuanian operators will be active from IT9GSF's station using the special callsign II9T from Sicily (EU-025) during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 28-29th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via LoTW. Operators mentioned are Fabio/IT9GSF, Arunas/LY2IJ and YL4U (members of the Latvia Radio Amateur League). For more details, see: http://www.it9gsf.com

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-191. Operators Bert/DK6IR/7Z1IR and Hamdi/7Z1TT will activate Marzok Island (for the first time ever) in the Red Sea Coast Centre (Al Madinah/Makkah Province) Group between June 3-5th. QSL via DK6IR.

EU-052. Vanni, IK4RUX, will be active as SV8/IK4RUX from Zakynthos (Zante) Island (GIOTA INS-015, MIA MG-138, WLOTA 0209) between July 4-14th. Activity will be on the HF bands using SSB. QSL via IK4RUX, direct or by the ARI Bureau.

EU-052. Operators Andrea/IK0EFR, Savvas/SV2AEL, Tom/SV2CLJ, Gianni/SV2FPU, John/SV2HXV, Dimitri/SV2YC and Menios/SW2HXR will be active as J48O from the Kastri Lighthouse on the Othonoi

Islet between June 17-25th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters, focusing on the 6 meter peak season, and using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via SV2FPU.

NA-142. Swen "RICK", DF2MM will be active as W4/DF2MM from Santa Rosa (USI FL003S) between July 18th and August 25th. Activity will be holiday style with light portable equipment. He will also participate in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st). QSL via DF2MM.

IOTA & WFF NORDKAPP EXPEDITION. By the time you read this, operators Bert/DL2RNS and Ric/DL2VFR will be finishing up their activation of IOTA EU-087 (Aln�n or Hems�n) as SD7V/3 and SM3/DL2RNS, before activating Mageroya Island (EU-044) as LA/DL2RNS and LA/DL2VFR between May 28-31st. Activity will be mostly on CW using high power. On their way back home, operators are planning to activate the Pallas-Yll�sttunturin National Park (OHFF-018) possibly for the first time for a couple of hours on May 31st, using the callsigns OH9/DL2RNS and OH9/DL2VFR. On June 1st, they also plan to stop on Seskar� Island (EU-139) for one day operating under the callsigns SM2/DL2RNS and SD7V/2 with high power again. QSL via the respective home callsigns and for SD7V via DL2VFR.

J2, DJIBOUTI. Operators Freddy/J28RO and Darko/J28AA will be active as J25DXA from Arta City (as sea front location) in western part of Djibouti during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 28-29th) as a Multi-Op/All-Band entry. Activity will be on 160-10 meters with antennas especially dedicated to the lower bands. Operators Marek/J28WR and Mohamed/J28AP will also be on the air from the same location and using the same callsign but SSB only and not in the contest. Vincent, J28JV, will be busy with his job, but will also operate both in the contest or with Marek and Mohamed during his spare time. The QSL Manager for J25DXA is Michel, F8DFP, by the Bureau or direct (please avoid green stamps; use only valid IRCs). A special card will be issued for this operation. For more details and updates, watch Freddy's Blog page at: http://j28ro.blogspot.com

J49, CRETE. Dick, SV0XBN, will be active as J49XF during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via SV0XBN.

JW, SVALBARD. Roar, LA1EOA, will once again be active as JW1EOA from Longyearbyen, Spitsbergen Island (EU-026, WLOTA 0125), between June 10-15th. Activity will be on the HF bands using SSB. QSL via his home callsign.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (May 30th-June 5th)....
May 30 AN SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS
May 31 AN --------------------
Jun 01 AN BN - Below Normal
Jun 02 AN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Jun 03 AN LN - Low Normal
Jun 04 AN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Jun 05 AN DIS - Disturbed
VDIS - Very Disturbed

GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

ADDED NOTE (from the CQ News Room):
WWV/WWVH to Drop Space Weather Reports - The Space Weather Prediction Center will discontinue its regular geophysical alert messages on WWV and WWVH as of this coming September 6th.

NP2/WP2, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS (NA-106). Petr, OL0A, will be active as WP2/OL0A from St. Croix (NA-106) during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 28-29th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (80m or possibly 40m)/Low-Power entry. QSL via OK1CZ. Also, look for Martin, OL5Y, to be active as WP2/OL5Y during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 28-29th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (15m)/Low-Power entry. QSL via OK1FUA.

P4, ARUBA. Andy, AE6Y, will once again be active as P49Y during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via AE6Y.

P4, ARUBA. John, W2GD, will be active as P40W from Santa Cruz, Aruba (SA-036, WLOTA 0033), during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) and CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via LoTW or N2MM (QRZ.com).

PJ4, BONAIRE. Operators Ed/W0SD, Edith/W0OE and Peter/PJ4NX will be active as PJ4E from a rented house between June 4-19th. Activity will be mainly 6 meters operating in the attended beacon mode. The frequency will be 50.103 MHz. There will be some HF operations, but it will be mainly RTTY. However, 6 meters will always be on the air. QSL via W0SD.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated May 22nd and May 27th)

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3W7W via W3HNK CR55PQ via CT1EHX HB9/ON6VOX via
ON6VOX
4F9HXB via DL5SDF CS2HD via CT2FPE HB9SOLAR via HB9ACA
4J3M via DL7EDH (direct only) CT3FQ via CT3KN HK6AAY via EA5KB
4L1AMM via DL8KAC CT7/LZ3ND via LZ3ND (direct/CT-Address) HL1/WX8C via
WX8C
4L4ZA via DJ1CW CT9/OM7JG via OM7JG IE9Z via IT9TFX
4O/S59AA via S59AA CU3DX via CU3EJ IR3WFF via IW3ILM
5P4F via OZ4FF CV5K via CX2ABC IR5ONU via I5KKW
5P5L via DD2ML DL/HB9SVT via HB9SVT J25DXA via F8DFP
5P7XJ via OZ7XJ DL0BFF via DH9VA J79FCG via K1TO
6W/RK4FF via RK4FF DL1THM/C6A via DL1THM JW1RCC via LA1RCC
7S6W via SM6MIS E70WFF via E77E KL3/AB8CK via
UA3AGW

8P6JQ via K9JJR EA7/G1WUU via G1WUU (eQSL only) LU/IW7EHC via
IW7EHC
8S0ITU via SK0CC ED8RCP via EA8RCP LU9MAK via LU1MA
9M2/GM4YXI via N3SL EF7ABV via EC7ABV LX0SAR via DK4XC
A6/DL9WVM via DL9WVM EF8ADW via EC8ADW LZ44WFF via LZ1ZF
A65BG via PA7FM EG1EMB via EB1CC LZ44WFF via LZ1ZF
AN7ITU via EA7NL EG5TSL via EA5HRE OH/IK2JYT/P via
IK2JYT
AX7GN via VK7GN EM150CK via UR4CZZ OJ0W via OH3WS
BY1/OD5LN via OD5VR GB2LST via M0XIG OK/SQ5GLB via
SQ5GLB
C6ABR via OH2BR HB0/DL1GBM/M via DL1GBM OP7V via ON7VA

OY/PA0VHA via PA0VHA SX5F via SV1HER
OY/PA2A via PA2A T32TV via KH6CG
OZ/DF7MR via DF7MR TC7VLH via TA1HZ
OZ/DM3KF via DM3KF TC130ATA via TA1HZ
OZ/DM3VA via DM3VA TE8X via TI5AA
OZ/DM7DX via DM7DX TM22P via F4EUG
OZ/HB9ASB via HB9ASB TM28RT via F5KIN
P4/W1XP via W1XP TM38I via F5NEH
P29CS via M0URX UK8IWA via RW6HS (direct)
PA555DLZA via PD1EVL UP50ASTR via EA7FTR
RV2FW/1 via UA1A V84SFD via V85TL
SG7ONA via OK1ONA VE2CSI via M0URX
SM7/OK1JAX via OK1JAX VP5/W5CW via W5CW
ST2BY via BA1AI VP9HE via W2AF
SU9VB via UA4WHX WU1ITU via KA1R
SV0XCA/5 via LZ1WL (Bureau) YP2011CS via YO2LXB
SV0XCC/9 via LZ1YE YR30DP via YO8AXP
SV5/DL6NBR via DL6NBR YW200T via YV5JBI
SV8/PA0PMD via PA0PMD ZS1/RZ6DD via RZ6DD
SV8/SV1JG via SV1JG ZW1ITA via PY-Bureau
SV9/OK1AMM/P via OK1AMM ZX2UEB via PT2OP

QSL 3A/I1RBJ via F/I1RBJ: GianCarlo Paul Bavassano, 24 rue Sainte Brigitte, 83440 Montauroux, France. Activity was on May 26th only from F1 Monaco Grand Prix paddock.

CY0 QSL STATUS. Randy, N0TG, reports, "Yes, CY0 QSLs are being sent out everyday. I am limited on time to process due to family medical care-provider responsibilities, but everyday progress is made. If anyone has a truly 'urgent' need, let me know via E-mail. LoTW later."

NOT THE QSL MANAGER. Bill, W9OL, reports that he still continues to receive QSL cards for Adrian, YO3APJ. He states, "I do not have logs for YO3APJ, nor authorization to confirm his QSOs. I've posted/informed many of the QSL Manager lists, but I still get QSLs for Adrian via the Bureau which I forward to him." Adrian, YO3APJ, assumed his own QSLing a few years back.

P40L NEW QSL MANAGER. Erik, K5WW, reports, "Now that P40L is active again I am getting QSL requests and E-mails for/about both old and fairly new QSOs. I haven't been P40L's QSL Manager in a number of years. Those QSL requests will be returned, and the E-mails will be replied to; but please note that the current QSL Manager is WA3FRP." PLEASE see details at: http://www.qrz.com/db/p40l

TJ9PF QSL STATUS. Maurice, F5NQL, reports, "The QSL cards for the latest TJ9PF activity in Kibri, Cameroon, - February 10-20th, 2011, by the Provins ARC F6KOP team are printed. QSL Manager, Didier, F5OGL, is expecting to get them this week, from the printer. We ask all of you who asked for direct QSL cards, to have a little patience. The labels are printed and the French stamps are purchased; they are ready to be put on the cards and envelopes. So, the first batch will be mailed very soon. It's useless to renew your cards requests, please don't. By the way, know that, as usually for all F6KOP's DXpeditions, the upload on LoTW, is scheduled when all the direct cards and the first Bureau batches have been answered, so allow us some months."

VP8ORK QSL UPDATE. Don, N1DG, reports that he mailing another 750 cards from VP8ORK OQRS. *** PLEASE NOTE: This portion/item was edited due to UseNet policies. To see the complete/unedited portion/item, go to: http://www.papays.com/opdx1012.html

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 5V7XO, 5W0IR, 7Q7AA, AH0/AB2RF, CX2TG, DL5DF, EX8AB, G0TYS, JA1BOQ, NP3IR, RA4HL, SM2EKM, TJ1AZ, SM2GCQ, UA6GR and VK6IR

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3D2A, 4A0IARU, 4O3A, 5H1HS, 5H0RS, 5K3W, 5M2TT, 5R8HL, 5X1NH, 9H4JX, 9L0W, 9N7AN, 9N7DX, 9N7JO, 9V1YC, A92GR, CE9/PA3EXX, CE9/VE3LYC, CO6CAC, CO6WR, CW3TD, CW5W, D2SG, DU1IST, E21EJC, EA6BH, EA6LP, EA9EU, EA9PY, EK7DX, ER3MM, FP5BZ, GJ4CBQ, GM4NFC, HC2AQ, HH4/AF4Z, HK6K, HS0ZCW, IS0HQJ, J5NAR, JT5DX, K6VVA/6, KC4QYG, KF6ZWD/HC2, KG4WV, LA6Q, NH0J, OA4TT, OY1CT, P29NI, PJ2/DL6LAU, PJ2/K6AM, PJ2MI, PJ2T, PJ7/K7GSJ, PJ7DX, R1ANH, RI1ANC, RI1FJ, S9DX, SV2ASP/A, SV5/IK2WZD, T30AQ, T32TV, TC3WFF, TJ3AY, TJ3FC, TT8DX, V31TP, V51KC, V55DLH, V73E, V85/9M6XRO, V85TL, VI9NI, VP8ORK, VR2UW, VU2PAI, VU4PB, VY0X, XR0ZA, XV2RZ, ZA3HA, ZD9AH, ZD9T and ZL8X

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 3B9WR, 4U1ITU, 7Y3HM, 9K47NLD, A03DMR, A45WD, C21YL, CR3L, DD5AJ, DF2UD, DF3EH, DG0HP, DH0EAV, DH5JG, DK3GI, DK4REX, DP1POL, DL0RO, DL1EST, DL3YEE, DL5YEE, EA8UP, EK6LP, EZ3A, FM5KC, J7DM, JA0JHA, K2XA, ON4UN, OZ5THY/P, TF3AO, UA6LFQ, UP2L, VK7RO and VY2TT

T7, SAN MARINO. Ivo, 9A3A/E73A, will activate the Amateurs Radio Republic of San Marino (A.R.R.S.M.) club station T70A during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via T70A, by the Bureau.

T8, PALAU. Operators Taka/JA0BJR, Toshi/JP1IOF and Toshi/JE1SYN will be active as T88ZA, T80T and T8YN, respectively, from Koror Island (OC-009) between June 24-27th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using CW SSB, FM,

RTTY and PSK31. They will have two stations on the air. QSL via their
ome callsigns.

TC100, TURKEY (Special Event). Members of the TCSWAT will be on the air
as TC100HKK from the Hava Kuvvetleri Komutanligi/Air Force Command,
between June 1-6th. Activity is to celebrate the 100th anniversary of
the Turkish Air Force. Operations will be on the HF bands. PLEASE NOTE:
The first ten direct QSL cards (please read the info at <www.tcswat.org>
QSL info Web page carefully) will be answered with a special Turkish
Postal Stamp for the "First Day Cover".

TO8, MARTINIQUE. Valery, R5GA, will be active as TO8A from Martinique
(NA-107) during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 28-29th). QSL via R5GA.

UA2, KALININGRAD. Dmitri, UA2FB, will be active as UA2F during the CQWW
WPX CW Contest (May 28-29th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (40m) entry.
QSL via DK4VW.

V3, BELIZE (Update). Mike, VE2XB, is now active as V31XB from Caye
Caulker Island (NA-073) for several weeks. Activity will be on all HF
bands as well as 6 meters using CW and SSB. Mike states that he will
be looking especially for JA stations to work this IOTA (as well
as everyone else). QSL via VE2XB (see QRZ.com - direct w/sase with CDN
stamps or 3 IRC/3 Greenbacks). ADDED NOTE: Mike will be heading to
J79-land in July for several weeks.

VP2M, MONTSERRAT. John, KB4CRT, will once again be active as VP2MRT from
Gingerbread Hill, St. Peters Parish, Montserrat (NA-103, WLOTA 1475,
WW Loc. FK86VS) between June 8-18th. Activity will be on 40-2 meters
using CW, SSB, possibly PSK, and the June VHF Contest. QSL via KB4CRT,
direct (w/SASE or DX 2GS). LoTW is "OK".

VP5, TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS. Dave, W5CW, is once again active as VP5/W5CW
from the VP5JM Hamlet on the Island of Providenciales (NA-002, WLOTA 1476)
until June 14th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW and SSB. Dave
also plans to be in the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 28-29th) and ARRL June
VHF QSO Party (June 11-12th) as VP5CW. QSL direct to his home callsign
(QRZ.com address) at: PO Box 88, Morris, OK 74445-0088 U.S.A.

VP9, BERMUDA. Doug, KF4VTT, will once again be active as VP9/KF4VTT from
VP9GE's QTH between June 10-17th. Since Doug will be there with his wife
and son, activity will be limited. Look for him on 160-6 meters using CW,
SSB, RTTY and possibly PSK31. As a personal goal, he hopes to finish DXCC
and VUCC from VP9. Any help with this endeavor would be appreciated.
Look for Doug to be active on 6 meters during the ARRL June VHF QSO
Party on June 11-13th. QSL via KF4VTT, by the Bureau, direct or LoTW.
For more details and updates, visit the Web page at:
http://home.mebtel.net/~kf4vtt/vp9/VP9.htm

ZA, ALBANIA. Franc, S59AA, will be active as ZA/S59AA during the CQWW
WPX CW Contest as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry.

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The following stations are expected to be active in the
CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 28-29th, 2011)
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Thanks to Bill, NG3K, for providing OPDX readers with the following
consolidated listing of the participants in the 2011 CQWW WPX CW Contest.
For a more detailed listing (and up-to-date changes/corrections) in HTML
format, please visit Bill's Web page at:
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/wpxc2011.html (By callsign)
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/wpxcd2011.html (By entity)
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Contest DXCC Class QSL
Callsign Entity Route
--------------------------------------------------------------------------
3G1R Chile M/S CE1RKV
3G3A Chile SOSB 15M XQ4CW
3V8SS Tunisia SOAB LP LoTW
4L0A Georgia SO LoTW
5Q2T Denmark SOAB OZ0J
5B/HA5PP Cyprus SOSB HA5PP
B7P China M/2 BD7IXG
C4N Cyprus M/S W3HNK
CA3A Chile SOSB 10M XQ4CW
CE3AA Chile SOSB 20M XQ4CW
CQ3A Madeira M/S
CR3L Madeira M/? DJ6QT
CT3FJ Madeira SOSB 20M CT3FJ Direct
DA0HST Germany M/M Auto Buro
DR11BUGA Germany M/?
E7DX Bosnia & Herzogovina M/S E77E
ED8A Canary Islands SOAB LoTW
EF7X Spain M/S EA7GYS
EF8M Canary Islands SOAB HP UA3DX
ER4A Moldova SOAB RA4LW
ES6Q Estonia SOAB LP ES5RY
G9W England SOAB HP M0DXR
HS7AT/8 Thailand SOSB 20M E21IZC Direct
HS8JYX Thailand SOSB LoTW; QSL also OK via eQSL
II9T Sicily M/2 LoTW
IP7U Italy SOSB 10M
J25DXA Djibouti F8DFP
J48HW Greece SOAB HA0HW
J49XF Crete SOAB SV0XBN
J7A Dominica M/2 NX4N
KH7X Hawaii SOAB K2PF
LS1D Argentina M/S LW9EOC
LU4FM Argentina M/M LU4FM
LX/K9EZ Luxembourg SOAB
MJ0ASP Jersey SOAB LoTW
NH2T Guam SOAB LoTW; QSL via W2YC
NH7A Hawaii SOAB F5VHJ
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NP2/OL5Y Virgin Islands SOSB 15M OK1CZ
NQ4I USA M/M LoTW; QSL via K4PK
OG9X Finland SO OG9X
OG0Z Aland Island SOAB HP W0MM
OL3Z Czech Republic M/2 OK1HMP
OZ5E Denmark M/S LoTW
P40W Aruba TBD LoTW; QSL via N2MM
P49Y Aruba SO AE6Y
PJ4A Bonaire SOAB HP K4BAI
PT3T Brazil SOSB 80M
PW2D Brazil SOSB 10M M0OXO
PX2W Brazil M/S
SD40JZ Sweden SOAB LoTW; QSL via SM5DJZ
T70A San Marino SOAB HP T70A Buro
TO8A Martinique SOAB LoTW
UA2F Kaliningrad SOSB 40M DK4VW
V26E Antigua SO LoTW; QSL via AB2E direct
VC2B Canada VE2BR
VC6X Canada VE6BF
VP5CW Turks & Caicos SOAB W5CW Direct
WP2/OL0A Virgin Islands SOSB 80M OK1CZ
WP3C Puerto Rico SOAB W3HNK
YN2ET Nicaragua M/S N5ET
Z36W Macedonia SOSB 80M Z36W; QSL via Buro or direct
ZA/S59AA Albania SOAB LP
ZX5J Brazil SOSB 15M AI4U

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new
FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the
following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�bscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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533. SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 29 MAY 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-28 19:00:16 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <20110528190006.0569033C69@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4523
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 29 MAY 2011

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. PLEASE NOTE: for audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 and 3,695 MHz SSB.

In the news today:

CALLING YOUNG RADIO AMATEURS

RTA VENUE CHANGE

DOC DIRECTOR GENERAL APPOINTED

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting news items.

CALLING YOUNG RADIO AMATEURS

The SARL is planning various events to celebrate Youth Day on 16 June including a discussion with young radio amateurs still at school about how they became involved in amateur radio and how it has benefited them. The discussion will be by teleconference and be held on Tuesday 31 May 2011 at 19:30. To be considered to be included send an email with your details such as age and school attending as well as your landline number to artoday@sarl.org.za by tonight (Sunday). Youth in Amateur Radio will be transmitted on 16 June at 09:30 and will also be available for download.

The youth day sprint will follow from 10:00 - 12:00 CAT. Details of the competition can be found in the SARL Contest manual on www.sarl.org.za. There are some awesome prizes to be won including:

Two ARRL Antenna Books to be awarded to Radio Amateurs who host the most non-licensed youth in their shacks or special event stations. There are two categories: radio amateurs who are 18 years of age and younger and 19 years and older.

An ARRL Antenna book awarded to the Radio Amateur who sends in the best hi-resolution photograph of a leaner operating his or her station.

All logs submitted by radio amateurs 18 years and younger will go into the draw for one of the following: 3 Remote microphone kits, a Lightning Predictor kit, 5 SARL Student memberships and 3 Basic ARRL Antenna books.

Another exciting event planned is around SumbandilaSat. That will happen at just before 08:00.

More details will be available from www.sarl.org.za early next week. Get the youth involved on 16 June!

RTA VENUE CHANGE

The SARL Radio Technology in Action symposium will be held at a different lecture hall at the Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University than previously advertised. The new venue is in the Old Mutual Centre Lecture Room 003. The date is Saturday 4 June 2011 with registration starting at 08:15 and the conference at 09:00.

A map and driving instructions, as well as the full programme, are available on www.sarl.org.za, select RTA. Andrew Leitch, the Dean of Science, will open the event with a keynote address.

DOC DIRECTOR GENERAL APPOINTED

The Minister of Communications Roy Padayachie has appointed Maboko Rosey Sekese as Director General of the Department of Communications with effect from 1 June 2011 for a period of five years. Rosey Sekese obtained an Electrical Engineering Degree in Telecommunications from the University of Cape Town in 1994 and completed a Master's in Business Administration at the North-West University, Potchefstroom Business School. In 2007 she completed the Senior Executive Development Programme at Pretoria University.

Rosey Sekese has worked in the Department of Communications in the position of Deputy Director General ICT Infrastructure Development. One of her key highlights was the delivery of the FIFA 2010 WORLD CUP Information Communications Technology guarantees where she was the champion of the project, providing strategic leadership, and programme management.

She also has previous technical engineering background having worked for Denel as a Group Manager for Information Technology and as a Senior Engineer at Telkom.

REPORT ON SARL/ICASA LIAISON MEETING

The SARL and ICASA met last Thursday for their scheduled quarterly meeting. A number of issues were discussed. As far as corrections to the regulations are concerned, the committee and ICASA's legal department are still considering various aspects of SARL's complaints and expect to finalise the process in the next few weeks when

corrections will be gazetted.

On the question of ZS and ZR callsigns, ICASA confirmed that ZR licences are now full class A and have the same privileges as ZS licensees. There is no requirement to change the callsign. If however a ZR licensee wishes to change his or her callsign to a ZS, a fee of R127 will be charged, which is R100 for the change of callsign and R27 for the new license.

The SARL petition for an allocation of a 150 kHz segment in the 5 MHz band was discussed. ICASA will review the current occupation of the band and consider the publication of a request for input by the public in the Government Gazette.

The question of licences for Radio Amateurs visiting South Africa from SADC countries was discussed and ICASA agreed to expedite the request and make a proposal to CRASA (Communications Regulators' Association of Southern Africa) for early adoption.

ICASA will inform the CEPT organisation of the changes in the South African license structure so that the full CEPT licensing agreement can be implemented.

The Question of a longstanding interference complaint by a Cape Town Radio Amateur was also on the Agenda. ICASA's Engineering Division will hold an internal meeting with the regional structure to bring finality to the case.

The next meeting will be held towards the end of July 2011.

SARLNEWS NEED EDITOR

Here is your opportunity to get experience in writing and editing news bulletins. Talk to George Honiball, SARL News Editor in chief, on 012 664 4155 or send email to gth@absamail.co.za.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is at low levels. New sunspot 1 223 continues to grow in the southern hemisphere. Another new sunspot is forming in the northern hemisphere as well. Up to now there was only a single day in 2011 without sunspots compared to 51 days in 2010 and 260 days in 2009. For the people doing their own frequency predictions, the expected effective sunspot number for the week is about 15.

15 m will provide the best opportunities for DX followed by 20 and 30 m and the WARC bands in between, of course.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS Today 29 May - young amateurs go to artoday@sarl.org.za and send your details if you wish to take part in the teleconference on Young amateurs. 31 May - Youth day teleconference at 19:30. 4 June -

RTA in Port Elizabeth at NMMU in Old Mutual Lecture Room 003. 16 June - transmission of Youth in Amateur Radio at 09:30 16 June - Youth Day Sprint from 10:00 till 12:00 CAT 18 June - Programming in Windows course in Gauteng. Book at www.sarl.org.za.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 750 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'ARMI' and follow the links. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 18:30 CAT on 3 230 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by Gustav, ZS6BWN.

Thank you for listening, 73.
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534. `HOT SEXY PHOTOS&VIDEOS****

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-29 15:31:01 UTC
From: tejaswini <teju9030@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <a40278ca-7906-4d74-a92f-799859c5730f@17g2000prr.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4524

FOR GOOD STUDY MATERIAL
http://studymaterialforu.blogspot.com

KATRINA KAIF IN BEAUTIFUL RED DRESS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/05/katrina-kaif_22.html
GOOD LOOKING DEEPIKA PADUKONE
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/05/deepika-padukone_22.html
AISHWARYA RAI UNBELIVABLE PHOTO
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/05/aishwarya-rai.html
ANUSKHA IN A BEAUTIFUL SAREE
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/05/anushka-shetty.html
SEXY TAPSEE IN VEERA
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/05/tapsee.html
KAJAL IN BEAUTIFUL BLACK SAREE
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/05/kajal-agarwal.html
SNEHA SPICY PHOTOS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/05/sneha.html
NAMITHA HOT PHOTS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/05/namitha.html

535. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 29th May 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-29 20:00:16 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20110529200005.2487533C27@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4525
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 29th May 2011

HF Newsreaders Sought

Additional HF newsreaders are being sought to share the workload of Se&#65533;n EI7CD and Ger EI4GXB, especially as the summer months are approaching. It is hoped that a panel of newsreaders can be established nationwide thus making the workload easier for all concerned, and allowing the HF news to be broadcast from different locations around the country.

If you are interested in joining the panel please contact Ger McNamara EI4GXB at ei4gxb /at/ gmail.com or on 087 2532512.

Echo Ireland

The deadline for material for the June edition of Echo Ireland is Friday next and members are invited to submit news items and articles for inclusion.

As we are coming in to the busy season for club activities, we hope to get reports from Club PROs on happenings both past and planned.

Pictures as jpegs are particularly welcome. Please keep text and pictures separate. All input to ei4bz at eircom dot net

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Licence Examination

It is just over three weeks now to the closing date for applications to sit the next examination for an amateur station licence.

The next exam will be held on Thursday, 7 July, at 2.00 p.m. in the ComReg offices in Dublin. The closing date for receipt of applications to sit this exam is Wednesday 22 June. Full details including entry procedure and examination fee are available at www.irts.ie/exam or just click on the 'Licence Exam' button on the IRTS webpage.

Geopark and CASHOTA weekend.

This weekend is both the Geopark and CASHOTA weekend. The Copper Coast Geopark in Waterford will be activated by SEARG and the Marble Arch Caves Geopark in Fermanagh will be activated by Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club.

South Eastern Amateur Radio Group and the Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club will ensure that Ireland again has its say in the 2011 International Geopark Communication weekend, with special event stations QRV from both of Ireland's Geoparks.

Details on CASHOTA can be found at www.cashota-ireland.org

Cork Radio Club

The May meeting of Cork Radio Club will be held in the Community Centre in Carrigtwohill tomorrow Monday the 30th and will feature a presentation and live demonstration of D-Star by Don Kelly EI8DJ.

The meeting will also hear a report on the successful trip to Brow Head for International Marconi Day and will finalize arrangements for the CW Field Day next weekend. Visitors are very welcome and further information can be had from Jeremy EI5GM on 083-3317710.

South Dublin Radio Club

This Tuesday 31st of May South Dublin Radio Club will be dusting off the soldering irons and building kits that create a flashing badge.

The activity is open to all including those who never soldered before and visitors to the club. The kit includes a custom made printed circuit board, a flashing light emitting diode, a battery holder and a battery. Simply turn up and bring 2 euro.

In exchange you will be taught how to solder and get to bring home a flashing badge to impress the family.

The aim is to turn "black box operators" into "burnt finger operators" and hopefully more complex projects will be attempted into the future.

Directions to the club are on the website:
http://www.southdublinradioclub.ie

This bulletin has been produced by Charlie EI8JB who is standing in for the News Editor Aidan EI7JC who is away on Vacation.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

536. [DXNL] DXNL 1730 (Jun 1, 2011)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-05-30 20:28:03 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <41192065296.20110530215200@dxhf.darc.de>
Source record: 4526
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DXNL 1730 - Jun 1, 2011
DX Newsletter

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CN - MOROCCO
Richard,F8FGU, is spending his holidays in the Atlas mountain range
and wants to become active as CN2RN in CW and SSB on the HF bands
between May 31 and Jun 20.
Please send your QSLs via his homecall, via bureau preferred.

E7 - BOSNIA AND HERCEGOVINA
A team of eight Austrian HAMs of the "Austrian Military Radio Society"
(http://www.amrs.at) will show up as E711AMRS from Jun 3-5. They want
to work with three stations in SSB, digital modes and some CW.
QSL cards via bureau or direct to OE4RGC.

FS - ST MARTIN, NA-105
John,FS/K9EL, will be QRV from Saint Martin (NA-105, DIFO FS-001,
WLOTA 0383) from Jun 7-19. He works in CW, SSB and some RTTY on 80m-6m.
His equipment includes an IC-7000, verticals for HF and a 3ele yagi
for 6m. QSL via bureau or direct to his homecall or via LoTW.

HB0 - LIECHTENSTEIN
Tony,HB0/IZ3ESV, Gabriele,HB0/I2VGW, and Andrea,HB0/IZ2LSC, plan to be
active in CW/SSB/RTTY from Jun 2-5. Operation will take place mainly
on the WARC and high bands, including 6m. QSLs via their homecalls.

PJ4 - BONAIRE, SA-006
Ed,W0SD, Edith,W0OE, and Peter,PJ4NX, want to activate Bonaire (SA-006)
as PJ4E from Jun 4-19. They will work on all HF bands but emphasis will
be put on RTTY and 6m (preferred QRG: 50103 kHz).
Your QSL cards should be sent via W0SD (bureau, direct, LoTW).

VK9C - COCOS-KEELING ISLANDS, OC-003
Wally,VK6YS, will be active from Cocos-Keeling (OC-003) signing VK9CI
from Jun 1-7. Since he is spending his holidays mainly with his wife
Gaye, he wants to work on 40m-10m mainly during his evening and morning

hours. He will focus especially on PSK31, RTTY and Olivia.
QSL via VK6YS.

VP5 - TURKS & CAICOS ISLANDS, NA-002
Dave,VP5/W5CW, is active from Providenciales (NA-002) working in CW and SSB on 160m-6m until Jun 14. He also plans to join the upcoming ARRL VHF QSO Party (Jun 11/12) as VP5CW. QSLs direct via his homecall.

XE - MEXICO
Gerhard,DM3DL, has a new job in Mexico and will stay there for the next three years. Finally, he got the permission to work as XE1/DM3DL in Central Mexico since the mid of May. His location is (almost) optimal since he lives on a mountain at a height of 2125m with a free view all around. Unfortunately, only towards EU there is a small but "significant" mountain in his way. He is using a Kenwood TS-2000X with 100 watts with two Kelemen dipoles (40m/20m/15m/10m and WARC bands). Gerhard also plans to become active on 160m/80m later.
Sked requests may be sent via e-mail to dm3dl@darc.de
Please send your QSLs via bureau, direct, LOTW or eQSL to DM3DL.

9J2 - ZAMBIA
As mentioned before Chris,ZS6EZ, is changing his QTH between Zambia and South Africa every six weeks. Right now he is staying in South Africa until Jun 13 and has uploaded his first logs to the LoTW already.
He will be QRV again as 9J2RI after Jun 13.

CROATIA, SPECIAL EVENT STATION
Pope Benedict XVI. is going to visit Croatia on Jun 4/5. Some members of the "Radio Club Croatian Flora Fauna" are activating the special callsign 9A16PB in all modes on all bands between May 28 and Jun 13. QSL cards should be sent via 9A2MF.

FRANCE, SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS
The special event station TM6JUN remembers the "D-Day" which has it's 67th anniversary this year. The station is working from Utah Beach in CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK on 160m-6m from Jun 1-15. QSL via F5SAZ.

"Le jour le plus long" means "The Longest Day" and is the title of a movie, shot 50 years ago at Rivedoux-Plage on Re Island (EU-032). It is a movie about the D-Day and has won two Oscars. The special event station TM50JPL is working from the filming location of this movie on Jun 5/6. QSL via REF bureau or direct to F8FZC.

SPAIN, SPECIAL EVENT STATION
Spain is remembering the D-Day as well by activating the special event station EG1DN on Jun 4/5. QSL via EB1CAM, via bureau peferred.
More information about this activity can be found on QRZ.com at EG1DN.

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the

VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Jun 2: QRP-Minimal-Art Session

IOTA collected by Ric,DL2VFR (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AS-081, HL, Kyongsang-bukto/Kyongsang-namdo Province: A South Korean group will be QRV as 6M0W/5 from Kadok from Jun 4-7. QSL via HL5BMX.

AS-191, HZ: Big pile-ups are guaranteed with the first activation of the IOTA group AS-191 by 7Z1IR and 7Z1TT from Jun 3-5. They want to become active from Marzok. This island is not listed in IOTA directory yet and had to be verified with additional maps. QSL via DK6IR (bureau/direct).

EU-008, GM, Inner Hebrides: Several OPs will be QRV as MS0RSD from Skye from Jun 5-10. QSL via M0URX (bureau/direct).

EU-038, PA, Noord Holland/Friesland/Groningen Province: PA/DL1KD will stay on Texel from Jun 6-20. QSLs via bureau, direct or LoTW.

EU-139, SM, Norrbotten County group: On their way back from the North Cape SD7V/2 and SM2/DL2RNS plan to stop on Seskaroe and want to show up on the air for a few hours on Jun 1/2.
QSLs for SD7V via DL2VFR (bureau/direct) or via homecall.

NA-091, VE, BC Province South group: K6VVA und W6NV will be QRV from Quadra signing K6VVA/VE7 mainly in CW on 40m-15m from Jun 2-5. QSL via N6AWD.

QSLs from Abu Ail and Penguin Island valid for IOTA:

After a rule change you can now submit QSLs of the "deleted countries" Abu Ail (former AS-035) and Penguin Island (former AF-055) for credit of the actual groups AS-009 and AF-070. Please enclose your QSLs with the next IOTA update.

Bandspots of the last 7 days

40m
J27DXA 7.006 2137Z via F8DFP (B)
TM0Z 7.032 2059Z EU-105, via F5EOT (B)

30m
H77REX 10.118 0442Z via TI4SU (d)
J79FCG 10.104 0359Z via K1TO (B, L), eQSL
LA/DL2RNS 10.102 1528Z EU-044, via DL2RNS (B)
LZ44WFF 10.103 0443Z LZFF-078, via LZ1ZF (B)
OY/PA2A 10.115 1222Z EU-002, via PA2A (B)
TM0Z 10.106 0530Z EU-105, via F5EOT (B)
UT2LF/p 10.121 0430Z LH UKR-134, (B)
YP1WFF/p 10.106 1630Z YOFF-133, via YO3JW (B)

6W/RK4FF 10.106 0239Z via RK4FF

20m
DK1WV 14.044 1533Z DLFF-114
IG9E 14.022 1619Z AF-019, via IK2AHB (B)
IQ1TG/p 14.028 1019Z IFF-215
KH6/I0ZY 14.248 0705Z
KH6/K8OQ 14.222 0725Z
LA2PA/p 14.260 1303Z EU-055
LA/DL2VFR 14.265 0736Z EU-044, via DL2VFR (B)
NE1SJ 14.062 1633Z SOTA W1/CR-010
TM0Z 14.260 0808Z EU-105, via F5EOT (B)
TM0Z 14.040 0540Z EU-105, via F5EOT (B)
TM100SC 14.012 1959Z via F6KMB (B)
TM95BV 14.008 1521Z via F6KUP (B)
V85SS 14.005 1630Z (d)
VP5/W5CW 14.005 0414Z via W5CW (d)
6W/RK4FF 14.051 0506Z via RK4FF

17m
CX5BW 18.079 1845Z (d)
OY/PA2A 18.098 1300Z EU-002, via PA2A (B)
SV5/DL6NBR 18.164 0700Z via DL6NBR (B)
Z21LS 18.164 1725Z via DE1ZHB (B)

15m
A6/DL9WVM 21.015 1748Z via DL9WVM (B)
D2CQ 21.288 1815Z via CT1IUA (B)
FM5CD 21.030 1632Z via F5VU (B)
FY8DK 21.210 2044Z via F5TJP (d)
J79FCG 21.025 1711Z via K1TO (B)
LZ85SRKM 21.014 1512Z via LZ1KZA (L)
PJ4/K4IQJ 21.025 1600Z via K4IQJ (B)
SV8/SV1JG 21.019 0651Z EU-067, via SV1JG (B)
SV9/OK2BOB/p 21.018 0707Z via OK2BOB (B)
6W/RK4FF 21.005 1617Z via RK4FF
8P9XB 21.015 1538Z via PT7WA (B)

10m
CW5W 28.032 1631Z (L), (d)
EA8BWL 28.460 2038Z (B)
J79FCG 28.011 2025Z via K1TO (B)
PJ4/K4BAI 28.012 1807Z via K4BAI (B)
PY2ESG 28.420 2050Z
PY2WC 28.010 1953Z (B), (L)
PZ5RA 28.018 1610Z (L), (d)
6W/RK4FF 28.005 1516Z via RK4FF
6W/RK4FF 28.510 1920Z via RK4FF
8P9XB 28.015 2119Z via PT7WA (B)

6m
CT1EPS 50.130 1800Z

CT1IUA 50.101 1753Z
ER1SS 50.130 1539Z
HB0/IK5PWB 50.096 1507Z
HB10K 50.153 1457Z via EA7FTR
LZ85SRKM 50.144 1519Z via LZ1KZA (L)
SV2MAP 50.180 1452Z
SV2RM 50.160 1445Z
SV5BYR 50.136 1533Z
US8ICM 50.180 1739Z
UT7IL 50.149 1644Z
YO6PJS 50.130 1537Z
YU1SV 50.191 1529Z
4U1ITU 50.086 1754Z (B)

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(L) = LoTW
(r) = bureau QSL via e-mail request

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

23May-08Jun 3W2N 1728
-Dec 3Y8XSA 1700/1717
-25Oct 5B50J 1700
31May-06Jun 5R8KS 1729
-08Jun 5X1VJ 1721
-Apr/12 5Z4RH ? 1674
04Jun-07Jun 6M0W/5 1730 *
03Jun-05Jun 7Z1IR & 7Z1TT 1730 *
-31Dec 9A11P 1723
28May-13Jun 9A16PB 1730 *
-Sep 9J2KK 1682
-Jul 9M2/RA9LR 1727
NOW 9M6/KM9D 1699
-Jun 9N7AK 1726
SOON 9Q1EK 1669
-Nov 9Q6CC 1699

-Aug A92IO 1663
-31Dec BP100 1684
-31Dec BV100 1684
31May-20Jun CN2RN 1730 *
-31Dec CW5RV 1711
-31Aug DL20Y2DM 1700
22May-12Jun DL/HB9SVT 1728
03Jun-05Jun E711AMRS 1730 *
04Jun/05Juni EG1DN 1730 *
22Apr-04Jun F/ON4LO/p 1724
-Aug FO8RZ 1636

-Jul/12 FR8NE 1710
07Jun-19Jun FS/K9EL 1730 *
31May-03Jun GB1KLD 1729

-31Dec HB60LU 1711
02Jun-05Jun HB0/IZ3ESV.. 1730 *
-31Dec HG15IPA 1724
01Jan-31Dec HG200LST 1708
-30Jun HG2011A 1713
-05Jun HI3/KL7JR 1717/1721
01Jan-31Dec IA7MM 1708
01Jan-31Dec II1ITA.. 1708
01Mar-30Sep IO4UI 1717
-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul/12 J28RO 1683
26May-05Jun J48HW 1729
02Jun-05Jun K6VVA/VE7 1730 *
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
-May/12 KH4/W5FJG 1728
POSTPONED KH5 1674/1705
-31Dec LA200D 1713
-31Dec LZ85R 1721

05Jun-10Jun MS0RSD 1730 *
May &Aug OL100VP 1721
Jun OL1911VP 1721
Apr &Jul OL2011VP 1721
22May-03Jun OY/PA2A.. 1728
22May-12Jun OZ/DG9SEH 1728
22May-17Jun OZ/DL4VM 1729
-Sep P29CW 1713
01Jan-31Dec PA30.. 1708
06Jun-20Jun PA/DL1KD 1730 *
04Jun-19Jun PJ4E 1730 *
-Juni PP0T 1725
-Dec RI1ANC 1708
01Jun/02Jun SD7V/2.. 1730 *
01May-31Jul SQ100MSC 1725
-Jul T6TL 1695/1727
29May-06Jun TM24H 1729
05Jun/06Jun TM50JPL 1730 *
01Jun-15Jun TM6JUN 1730 *
04Jun/05Jun TM90LH 1727
09Jul/10Jul TM90LH 1727

19May-Juli V31XB 1728
30May-07Jun VE7/DK6AO 1729
01Jun-07Jun VK9CI 1730 *
-Mar/12 VK0KEV (Macq) 1700/1701
-Jun VK0M/ZL4DB/p 1725
-14Jun VP5/W5CW 1730 *

May -Aug W3CVD/4 1726
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730 *
NOW XT2RJA 1712
-Sep ZD9GI 1691
-31Dec ZL50GH 1711

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

A6/DL9WVM via DL9WVM
A65BG via PA7FM (B)
BD8IK via BA4EG (B), (L), eQSL
C6ABR via OH2BR (B)
CS2HD via CT2FPE (B)
CT9/OM7JG via OM7JG (B)
DL0BFF via DH9VA (B)
E70WFF via E77E (B)
EF8ADW via EC8ADW (B)
EM150CK via UR4CZZ (B)
GB8C via M0DOL (B)
GR0DBW via GM0DBW (B), (L)
GR0DIV via GW0DIV
GR0DSP via GW0DSP
GR0DVU via GI0DVU LoTW only
GR0EKM via GM0EKM
GR0FWU via G0FWU, eQSL
GR0FYX via G0FYX (B)
GR0GFQ via G0GFQ (B), (L), eQSL
GR0GMN via GM0GMN (B), (L)
GR0GRD via GM0GRD (B)
GR0GRI via G0GRI (B)
GR0HPK via GM0HPK
GR0HPL via GM0HPL
GR0HUO via GM0HUO
GR0HUS via GW0HUS (B)
GR0HWA via GD0HWA (d)
GR0JEQ via GW0JEQ
GR0JJG via G0JJG (L), eQSL
GR0LZX via G0LZX (B), (L), eQSL
GR0MEJ via G0MEJ (B)
GR0MYY via GW0MYY
GR0NNF via G0NNF (B)
GR0NPL via GW0NPL (B)
GR0OGN via GM0OGN
GR0OUD via GD0OUD (B)
GR0PNS via GM0PNS
GR0PSV via GW0PSV
GR0RPM via G0RPM, (B), (L), eQSL
GR0RQK via GI0RQK (B), (L), eQSL

GR0RYT via GW0RYT
GR0SBN via G0SBN (B), eQSL
GR0SYN via GW0SYN
GR0SYV via GM0SYV
GR0TDY via G0TDY (B)
GR0TKX via GW0TKX
GR0TPH via G0TPH
GR0TSH via G0TSH
GR0TTV via GM0TTV
GR0TUB via GM0TUB (d)
GR0TYS via G0TYS (B), (L), eQSL
GR0UGO via G0UGO (B)
GR0UVD via GI0UVD (L)
GR0VKW via GW0VKW
GR0VQY via G0VQY (B), (L), eQSL
GR0VRP via GM0VRP (L), (d)
GR0VXC via G0VXC (B), eQSL
GR0WED via GM0WED (d)
GR0WGK via GW0WGK (d)
GR0WNR via GM0WNR
GR0WRE via G0WRE (B), (L)
GR3AGW via G3AGW (B)
GR3GTR via GI3GTR
GR3KDR via GI3KDR
GR3KNU via (B, automatically)
GR3MZX via GM3MZX (B), (L), eQSL
GR3NIG via GM3NIG (B)
GR3SB via GW3SB
GR3SDW via G3SDW (B)
GR3SFC via GW3SFC (B)
GR3SG via GI3SG (B), eQSL
GR3TKH via GW3TKH
GR3UCQ via G3UCQ (B), eQSL, LoTW
GR3UML via G3UML (B)
GR3UOF via GW3UOF (B), (L), eQSL
GR3UYN via G3UYN (B), LoTW
GR3VIR via G3VIR
GR3VOU via G3VOU
GR3VTB via GM3VTB
GR3WEM via GI3WEM
GR3WFJ via GM3WFJ (B)
GR3XIA via G3XIA (B)
GR3XJQ via GW3XJQ
GR3XTT via G3XTT (B)
GR4DJX via G4DJX (B), (L)
GR4DLG via GM4DLG
GR4DOH via GI4DOH (B), (L), eQSL
GR4EMX via GM4EMX
GR4EOU via GM4EOU
GR4EZT via G4EZT (B), (L)

GR4FQE via GM4FQE
GR4FSU via G4FSU
GR4FUE via GI4FUE (B)
GR4FUM via GI4FUM (d), (L)
GR4GBP via G4GBP (B)
GR4GID via GI4GID
GR4GIF via GM4GIF
GR4GIR via G4GIR
GR4GNY via GW4GNY (d)
GR4GOS via GI4GOS
GR4GTI via GW4GTI
GR4GUH via GI4GUH
GR4IRN via G4IRN (B), (L)
GR4JGH via G4JGH
GR4JOJ via GM4JOJ (B), eQSL
GR4JUN via GW4JUN
GR4JUW via GW4JUW
GR4KHG via G4KHG (B)
HB9/ON6VOX via ON6VOX
HF4BJP via SP4FKS
HK6AAY via EA5KB (B)
HL1/WX8C via WX8C (B)
J25DXA via F8DFP (B)
II9T via IT9ESW (L), (d)
IP7U via IK7JWY (d)
IR2ITA via I bureau
IR9Y via IT9ABY
KL3/AB8CK via UA3AGW (B)
KP2/AA1TR via OK1CZ (B)
LT0H via EA7FTR
LU9MAK via LU1MA (B)
LU/IW7EHC via IW7EHC (B)
LV5V via LU5VV
LX0SAR via DK4XC (B)
LZ220SM via LZ3SM (B)
LZ44WFF via LZ1ZF (B)
M0YFT via eQSL only
MR5AEX via G8GNI
MR5AGV via M5AGV
MR5AMO via MI5AMO (B), eQSL
MR5BFL via M5BFL (B)
MR5HOC via MW5HOC
MR5PSL via MM5PSL (B)
MR6ADZ via MW6ADZ
MR6CWC via MI6CWC (B)
MR6DRS via M6DRS (B), eQSL
MR6GDN via MI6GDN (B)
MR6GUZ via M6GUZ (d), eQSL
MR6KDA via MW6KDA
MR6KSH via M6KSH (B), (L), eQSL

MR6MCV via MM6MCV
MR6MME via MI6MME
MR6MRJ via MI6MRJ
MR6OLA via MI6OLA
MR6PUX via MI6PUX
MR6RLL via MM6RLL
MR6TMS via MM6TMS (d), eQSL
MR6VHF via MW6VHF (d), eQSL
MR6WAD via (d)
MR6WAG via MI6WAG
MR6YDP via MW6YDP
MR6OKS via MI6OKS
OY/PA0VHA via PA0VHA (B)
OY/PA2A via PA2A
OZ/DF7MR via DF7MR (B)
OZ/DM3KF via DM3KF (B)
OZ/DM3VA via DM3VA (B)
OZ/DM7DX via DM7DX (B)
OZ/HB9ASB via HB9ASB (B)
P4/W1XP via W1XP (B)
PA555DLZA via PD1EVL (B)
RP66WK via RK3WWA
RP66WN via RK3FWD (B)
RV2FW/1 via UA1A (B)
SG7ONA via OK1ONA (B)
SM7/OK1JAX via OK1JAX (B)
SN600KW via SP2KFL (B)
SN0BJP via SP8YWK (B)
SO1RE via DK8RE (B)
SP5KCR via SQ5WWK (B)
ST2BY via BA1AI (B), (L)
SU9VB via UA4WHX (B), (L)
SV5/DL6NBR via DL6NBR (B)
SV8/PA0PMD via PA0PMD (B)
SV8/SV1JG via SV1JG (B)
SV9/OK1AMM via OK1AMM (B)
SV9/OZ7YY via OZ7YY (B)
SV0XCA/5 via LZ1WL (B)
SV0XCC/9 via LZ1YE (d)
TM38I via F5NEH
TT8DX via F5OGL (B, 2000-2002)
TT8DX via DJ6SI (B, 5/97 & 2/2011)
V85AN via (L), (d), eQSL
VE2CSI via M0URX (B)
VP5/W5CW via W5CW (d)
VP9HE via W2AF
YP2011CS via YO2LXB (B), eQSL
YW200T via YV5JBI (B)
ZW1ITA via PY bureau
ZX2UEB via PT2OP (B)

4L1AMM via DL8KAC
4L4ZA via DJ1CW (d)
4O/S59AA via S59AA (B)
5P4F via OZ4FF (B)
5P5L via DD2ML (B), (L)
8P6JQ via K9JJR

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(*) = new QSL manager
(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) = e-mail request

QSLs arrived direct: 5M2TT (via I2YSB)

QSLs arrived bureau: A7/M0FGA (NN1N), AH2R (JH7QXJ), CX7TT (K5WW),
DX1J (JA1HGY), FJ/DL1DA, FP/KV1J, H44WG (DL2AWG),
KE0A/KP2, KG4WV (W4WV), OD5TE (K3IRV),P29VKJ (JA1KJW),
P49Y (AE6Y), PJ4/OK7MT, TF3AO, TF3IG, V47KP (W2OX),
V47NT (W2RQ), VK4LDX/p, VP2MDG (K2DM), VP2MPL (AA1M),
VP5T (N2VW), VP9BO (W4ZGR), VQ9JC (ND9M), YN2Z (K9ZO),
YN2LJ (K8ESQ), YS4/N0AT, ZF2LH (W6OMF), ZF2XP (AI5P),
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
23 - 29 May 2011

Solar activity was at very low to moderate levels during the period.
The period began with very low activity, with a few isolated B-class
flares observed. A long-duration B2 flare was observed at 24/2237
UTC from Region 1220 (N13, L=248, class/area Bxo/050 on 23 May).
Activity increased to low levels on 25 May, with two C-class flares
from Region 1223 (S16, L=115, class/area Dso/050 on 27 May). The
first was a C1 flare at 25/2103 UTC, followed by a C1/Sf at 25/2158
UTC. A nine-degree filament eruption was observed between
25/0801-1256 UTC. Activity decreased to very low on 26 May, with
three B-class flares, included a B4/Sf at 26/0110 UTC. Activity
increased to low levels on 27 May, with five C-class flares,
including a C5 flare at 27/1643 UTC from Region 1226 (S21, L=036,
class/area Eki/360 on 29 May). Activity increased to moderate levels
during 28-29 May. A long-duration M1 /Sf was observed at 28/2150 UTC
from Region 1226, as well as an M1/1F observed at 29/1033 UTC. Type
II radio emission (554 km/s shock velocity) was associated with this
event.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
normal to moderate levels during 23 - 28 May. High levels were
reached on 29 May.

Geomagnetic field activity was predominantly quiet during 23 - 26
May. Activity increased to quiet to unsettled levels, with active
periods at high latitudes, on 27 May. Activity increased to quiet to
severe levels during 28-29 May. A co-rotating interaction region, in
advance of a coronal hole high-speed stream (CH HSS), occurred
during 27- 29 May. A CME was was observed to interact with the field
during 28-29 May.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
01 June - 27 June 2011
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Solar activity is expected to be low with a chance for M-class flares through 9 June. Activity is expected to decrease to very low to low levels during 10 - 14 June. Activity is expected to increase to low with a chance for M-class flares.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at high levels through 5 June. Normal levels are expected during 9 - 27 June.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be at quiet to unsettled levels, with active levels at high latitudes during 1 - 5 June, due to an expected CME and a recurrent CH HSS. Activity is expected to decrease to predominantly quiet levels during 6 - 10 June. Activity is expected to increase to quiet to unsettled levels, with isolated active levels at high latitudes during 11-13 June, due to an expected CH HSS. Quiet to unsettled levels are expected during 14-22 June. Quiet to unsettled levels, with isolated active levels are expected during 23 - 25 June due to a recurrent CH HSS. Actitvity is expected to decrease to mostly quiet during 26 - 27 June.

538. Crossposting Permitted to rec.radio.amateur.moderated

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-06-01 06:00:03 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting-1-1306908001@panix.com>
Source record: 4528
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting
Revision: 1.1 2009/04/12 19:42:04
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rram/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

After a 30-day public discussion and feedback period to gauge reader
opinions in March of 2009:

http://groups.google.com/group/rec.radio.amateur.moderated/browse_thread/thread/d7d337db35
f23326

the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team has decided to consider
amending its charter, and permit limited simultaneous crossposting to
rec.radio.amateur.moderated and one other unmoderated
amateur-radio-related discussion newsgroup. We are currently trying
this on a temporary basis (90 days, through early July 2009), and adopt
it permanently if successful.

Approved rec.radio.amateur.* newsgroups are those that are currently
listed in the latest version of the "List of Big Eight Newsgroups" which
is crossposted monthly to news.announce.newgroups, news.groups, and
news.lists.misc.

Approved alt.radio.amateur.* and alt.ham-radio.* newsgroups are those
that have been created consistent with the suggestions in "So You Want
to Create an Alt Newsgroup" at:

http://www.faqs.org/faqs/alt-creation-guide/

Approved regional hierarchy newsgroups are those that contain either
"radio.amateur" or "ham-radio" in their names, including
uk.radio.amateur and aus.radio.amateur.misc.

We will make every reasonable effort to keep our list of approved
newsgroups up-to-date. In case we have overlooked any, and a submission
is rejected in error as a result, the rejected submitter can E-mail us
at our administrative contact address (in the signature at the bottom of
this article, and the default Reply-To for the rejection message)
requesting that it be added, and that the article be approved. We may
still choose to reject articles crossposted to any alt.* newsgroup with
an inappropriate name, including obscene language, embedded
name-calling, or encouragement of unlawful conduct.
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Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-amateur-moderated-request@panix.com.

539. MMMonVHF Newsletter 2011-06-01

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-06-01 19:12:42 UTC
From: MMMonVHF News Mailer <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <201106011639.p51GdGZa025783@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 4529
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our lastet NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2011-06-01
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter, once a week (thursday)
from now on - if any special activities will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further detail please be so kind and watch our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you vy welcome for any
input and we do hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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** MS-Propagations June, 2011, MMMonVHF Overview **

June is known for the return of three remarkable daytime showers.
Major showers Arietids and Zeta-Perseids, peaking respectively on
June 7th and June 9th in 2011, are both characterized by a broad
maximum (with possible submaxima) and high ZHR value, thus making
first half of June one of the best periods of the year for MS-Dxing.
Even Beta-Taurids, peaking June 28, is characterized by fairly good
ZHR. Have a look to shower predictions for June 2011, featuring also
a short overview of 2011 Eta-Aquariids at our MMMonVHF MS
Propagationpage: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/ms.php
SOURCE: Massimo, IV3NDC, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

** Antenna System to sell out **

Frank, DL8YHR, is selling a complete 2m EME-antenna setup (2x 28xp
Yagies) incl. 2x HF400 Relais, H-Frame with all cables and 2x power
splitter, GFK tubes for 999 Euro - the system still "on air" and can
be see and tested on request (mail DL8YHRFRANK"at"AOL"dot"COM) - a
foto can be seen at http://www.dl8yhr.de (left, above)
SOURCE: tnx to Frank, DL8YHR direct to MMMonVHF

** UT5EU VHF memorial 2011 on 50 and up - 4th/5th June 2011 **

Founders: Dnipropetrovsk Oblast League amateurs of Ukraine,
Dnepropetrovsk OSOU Competitions are held the first full "Weekend"

(full Saturday and Sunday), June 17:00 UTC Saturday to 05:00 UTC Sunday
(in 2011 - 4-5 June). To participate in the competition are invited
amateurs from Ukraine and other countries and territories worldwide.
The competition involved teams (the team - 2 or 3 operators) and
operators of individual stations. Competitions are held in the
categories of Single OP (SO) - one operator, Multi OP (MO) - many
operators a call and Club stations (CO) club station, a radar, and 3 of
call in a credit. For the category of Single OP to allow only one
signal at a time. For the category of Multi OP and Club stations - one
signal for each band at each time. For Category Club stations - credit
is given for the amount of bonds for a maximum of three call signs,
operating from one location. SOURCE: UV5EOZ direct to MMMonVHF
Read all details at: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3850

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: F ; Square: JN28 ; Start: 2011-06-01 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3846

Udo, DL3GN, Nino, DL3IAS and Ralf, DL1GN qrv from rare JN28 Square
begin of June (june 01 till june 06) - QRV 50-144-432 MHz
SOURCE: tnx to Ralf, DL1GI, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: C3 ; Square: JN02 ; Start: 2011-06-03 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3840

C37MS qrv from JN02UM on 144 MHz MS / ES / Tropo
I am happy to announce my next DX-pedition.
With the help of very good friends from Italy and Spain I did receive
the licence for this year to operate from Andorra, with the callsign:
C37MS. Operation will take place between June 3 and 7, 2011 from a QTH
in the mountains, loc: JN02UM at 2510 m. asl. This is the first
Meteor Scatter operation since 1997. I will be QRV mainly via MS, but
this period is also good for Sporadic E. No EME this time because this
was done before (C31TLT in 2001 and C37DXU in 2009).
Rig: FT847 with FT857 spare
Ant: 10el. DJ9BV and 2 x 5el. DK7ZB
PA: 3CX800 and HLV600 spare
QRG FSK: 144.358 first per.
QRG SSB: 144.318 when we have a Sporadic E opening MS is stopped.
I will use two receivers with separate antennaï¿½s to monitor ES
activity and calling stations from different directions. This will be
an operation from my car with generator power. Andorra has mountains
all around so it is difficult for VHF work but I hope to work as much
stations as possible; C3 is number 6 on the most wanted DXCCï¿½s list.
SOURCE: tnx to Chris, PA2CHR, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: maritime mobil ; Start: 2011-06-19 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3850

Frank, DH7FB, will be on a /mm Operation with a sailing ship from
Athina to Korfu (around the Pellepones area) - here a rough timetable:
19.06.11 KM17 - 20.06.11 KM16 - 21.06.11 KM16 - 22.06.11 KM16
23.06.11 KM16 - 24.06.11 KM16 - 25.06.11 KM16 - 26.06.11 KM06
27.06.11 KM07 - 28.06.11 KM08 - 29.06.11 KM08 - 30.06.11 KM09
Call will be DH7FB/mm and Frank will try to be as often as possible
(NOT day by day due to the sailing trip) and if he will be qrv only
after 18 Z and if the ship is not anchoring south of an island. He
will try to be qrv on 144 MHz MS (qrg: 144,370 MHz cq for QSY
144,355 MHz, DH7FB/mm first, FSK441) and as well for some EME Tests.
Equipment will be 200W, 8 ele DK7ZB with 12 dbd (4,4m). pse look into
the dxc... :) SOURCE: tnx to Frank, DH7FB, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: V3 ; Square: EK57 ; Start: 2011-07-03 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3845

Jeremy, W7EME, back at Belize as V31JA - QRV 2m EME and TEP from
EK57 again. Moon rise to moon set. EXCEPTION the evenings of the
6th, 7th and 8th July as my lovey wife and I will be on R&R in Cuba
(no ops there of course). I may be found on Twitter as: "W7EME"
SOURCE: tnx to Jeremy, W7EME, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: KH6 ; Square: BL02 ; Start: 2011-07-31 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3844

Jeremy, W7EME, back at KH6 - QRV for our home in Kapa'a, Kaua'i, HI.
144MHz EME 144.141 +/-, always second. 1kW SSPA x2 17 element long
Yagi pair, H polarity, full az/el. Operation is casual.
Twitter: "W7EME" - SOURCE: tnx to Jeremy, W7EME, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: CP1 ; Square: ?? ; Start: 2011-09-20 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3843

Jeremy, W7EME, QRV from Bolivia as CP1??My wife and I have projects
again this summer. I will be QRV again at the following location:
Bolivia - CP1xx San Pablo (waiting for callsign from BRC application
and permit for QRO - will supply details and locator when available)
- 20th September thru 29th September QRV 144.141 +/- EME. 2nd Sequence
Applied for 1kW and 17 element long Yagi. Real time comms world-wide
Twitter: "w7eme" - SOURCE: tnx to Jeremy, direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php

and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** S92DX in JI39gx DXpedition - October 21-27 **

Matt K0KKO has announced his upcoming DXpedition to Ilhï¿½u das Rolas
in Sao Tome & Principe: http://www.k0kko.net/pb/wp_5bd6e10c/wp_5bd6e10c.html
Note that the first days of the trip are the best cndx of the month
for 6m EME! The 6m EME station at S92DX will be an IC756 pro, ACOM
1000 and M2 6M8GJ yagi. This should result in a number of 6m EME
contacts ;-) - SOURCE: tnx to Lance, W7GJ, via [Magic Band EME]

** K7BV CN-CM-DM Grid Trip / (CM93 Preliminary Announcement) **

LATEST Update from Dennis, K7BV, dated 2011-05-29: Below is the Grid
Trip schedule I have come up with after changing my departure one day
later. In a few weeks, I will do a short grid trip to catch DM03/04/05
for those needing them. K7MAC is planning to do some of the grids I
removed from my original plan a little later this summer. I will be
playing the CN77/78 portion of this with some flexibility built in so
I can get those most out of whatever Es I luck into during those two
days.. Send comments and suggestions today direct to k7bv"at"aol.com
please. I hope I can run the amplifier from most stops. May The Rocks
& Es Be With Us! 73 / SOURCE: Dennis K7BV via WSJT-Reflector
Grid and Trip Details: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3818

** Trip to DM57 / DM56 **

I will be operating from DM57 for the weekend of Jun 3 - 5. I expect
to be set up and on the air by late in the afternoon on Friday and
will tear down to return home after M/S stops on Sunday AM (unless we
get significant Es - then I'll stay as late as I can). I may stop
briefly in DM56 on the way home - timing will depend on how the band
was in DM57. If the band is good in DM56, I will stay there as late
as I can. I will be following the same procedure as NJ0W on his web
page (see http://www.6t6kix.com/pages/ham/nj0w.htm) except I will be
QSYing up to 50.270 (if this is a bad frequency, please let me know).
I'm not sure about Friday evening, but I expect to be on the air
Saturday and Sunday starting about 1200Z. I will only have 100 W and
a 3 el yagi at about 25'. Es openings will take precedence over M/S.
I will not have Internet access and I don't expect to have cell
service. If you have a request for a specific time or frequency,
please send me an email and I'll see what I can do. Please keep me
busy! 73 Bud - SOURCE: Bud, N7CW via [wsjtgroup]

** LATEST NEWS from FP/K9OT and FP/KB9LIE **

Operators Paul/K9OT and Peg/KB9LIE will be making their 8th annual
trip to Miquelon Island (NA-032), July 21st- August 4th. They will
sign FP/K9OT (prefer CW on 40/30m) and FP/KB9LIE (strictly SSB,
mostly 17/20/40m unless higher bands are open). They will try to run
a breakable 6M beacon on 50.120. Both will be in the IOTA Contest
as a Multi-Ops/Mixed-Mode entry. QSL to their home callsigns, same
address, either direct with return postage/IRC or via the Bureau.
Logs will eventually be uploaded to LoTW. No eQSLs. Visit the
following Web page at: http://www.hamradio.pnpfarms.com
SOURCE: [DX-ENG] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1012

** special station TM6JUN **

Commemorating the 67th anniversary of D-Day special station TM6JUN
will be active once again from Utah Beach on 1-15 June. Look for
activity on 160-6 metres CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via F5SAZ.
SOURCE: [TNX F8REF] via [425ENG] 425 DX News #1047

** Ch'uja Islands (AS-084) qrv HF and 50 MHz **

The Korea Contest Club will be active as D9K from the Ch'uja Islands
(AS-084) on 4-6 June. Plans are to perate CW, SSB and RTTY on all
the HF bands and 6 metres. QSL via operator's instructions.
SOURCE: [425ENG] 425 DX News #1047

** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 2359 UTC ...

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The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF - Newsletter Credits & Info
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Our Newsletter is compiled from the input of the USER of the
VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF and as well by a lot of free usable
HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats
like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USER who did send us info and News **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/kontact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the

info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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540. ZL Ham June Band Scope

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-06-02 00:26:36 UTC
From: Peter Bennett ZL1UPB <news-nospam1@zlham.geek.nz>
Message-ID: <is6lbvbo1@posting.glorb.com>
Source record: 4530

The June issue of ZL Ham Band Scope is out.

ZL Ham Band Scope is a round up of news, contests, views and items of
interest bought to you at the start of every month.

This month...

Member Participation
Introducing: The HY Mini
Home Brew Balun II
RSM Matters
NZART AGM
Ham Nation
REG Sale Review
ZL Ham Calendar
Freescale MC9S08 101
DX This Month
Bits And Bobs

Members can go to the ZL Ham Download section or non members can use the
link below to download your copy of Band Scope.

June 2011 Band Scope

Via FTP
ftp://zlham.geek.nz/Bandscope/bandscope-2011-6.pdf

Via HTTP
http://www.zlham.geek.nz/Bandscope/bandscope-2011-6.pdf

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Peter Bennett ZL1UPB

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541. WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING June 05 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-06-02 09:38:07 UTC
From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
Message-ID: <ebc6963e-ddb0-4f73-ba04-7eae59f601ce@smxsrv01.vintek.net>
Source record: 4531
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2011-06-05.mp3
Text edition:

WIANEWS - June 05 - VK NATIONAL NEWS

THE BEST NEWS YOU'LL GET ALL WEEK

Oh... and to contact us with your news because
If It Matters To You It Matters To Us!

email nationalnews@wia.org.au

http://www.wia.org.au (click news in member area) Submit your audio news

TWITTER http://twitter.com/VK1WIA

Please.. If you are only submitting text and not audio, write your story as
you would expect to hear it being read back and NEVER send just links & url's.

WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING June 05 2011.

George Taylor Medal, presented to Jim Linton VK3PC

RD Contest change of time.

Lawrence Hargrave Awards

WIA President speaks of Darwin AGM

THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING JUNE 5 2011.

In the Victorian (VK3) town of Rosanna, Steve Warrillow has just had a great
article featuring Amateur Radio and himself in the local paper.

http://heidelberg-leader.whereilive.com.au/news/story/is-anybody-out-therer/

VK3SN Mr Warrillow has battled the wilderness, bleak weather conditions and
technical obstacles for his hobby, just recently, Mr Warrillow and his brother,
Gerard, headed to a secret spot in the Victorian alps to contest the
Wireless Institute of Australia's John Moyle Field Day tournament - the holy
grail for thousands of ham radio operators.

Mr Warrillow doesn't want to give the location away, but admits it was above 1700m.

"We sat though rain, mist and sunshine," he said. "We had our camp set up with the radio, antennas and the solar panels, because you can't take generators into a national park.

Bragging rights aside, these amateur radio operators would be the lifeline for survivors of a disaster the Heidelberg Leader Newspaper said. "You'd need people with the skills to set up independent communication without using satellites, the internet, and phones."

This story was also picked up by an ABC station in Melbourne and an interview conducted by Richard Stubbs was made.

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA, VK1 2 4 7 AND 5.

CANBERRA VK1

All visitors are welcome to attend this public ceremony at The Australian War Memorial.

Bomber Command wreathlaying ceremony this Sunday June 5 at 11 am, Bomber Command Memorial, Sculpture Garden.

This annual wreathlaying ceremony commemorates the service and sacrifice those who served in Bomber Command

(awm)

Next Wednesday, the 8th June, Rakesh Panwar from the Ionospheric Prediction Service will be in Canberra to give presentations on Solar Weather and a HF Propagation training course.

Rakesh has kindly agreed to give a presentation that evening to interested Hams on pretty much anything to do with the IPS.

The crarc clubrooms will be open from 7:30pm with the presentation starting at 8pm.

Carl VK1KCM would appreciate it if you could send an email to his private email address, carl@stagecraft.cx, if you plan to attend.

Next weekend on the VK2 mid north coast will be the annual Oxley Region Field Day at Port Macquarie. The Oxley Region A R C is celebrating their 40th birthday and invites you to attend on Saturday and Sunday at the Tacking Point Surf Club hall in Mathew Flinders Drive, Lighthouse Beach.

There will be a dinner at the Tacking Point Golf Club Saturday night. There will be fox hunts both days and the traders on Sunday. For a field day program go to www.orarc.org

VK4 - QNEWS
web service local audio news:- www.wiaq.com/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
local news email qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
VKR Roundup http://www.police.qld.gov.au/News+and+Alerts/Media+Releases/

VK4 SILENT KEYS @ 2010 - 2011 QAC YEAR

VK4MWT Tom Bowden November 14 2010 Advised by Gavin VK4ZZ
VK4SS Alan Shawsmith November 23 2010 Advised by Stephen VK4JSS
VK4CK Colin King December 30 2010 Advised by Gary VK4AR
VK4AMO Mike O'Callaghan January 02 2011 advised by Dale VK4DMC
VK4HER Dawn Sebbens January 09 2011 advised by Margaret VK4AOE
VK4YNL Egon Frangenheim January 19 2011 advised by Gordon VK4VP
VK4DI Len Effeney February 01 2011 advised by Clive VK4ACC
VK4CAU Frank Sleep March 24 2011 advised by Gavin VK4ZZ
VK4AB Wayne Bryce April 04 2011 advised by Alan VK4FABR
VK4FPOD Gordon McCulkin April 11 2011 advised by Margaret Williams WIA
VK4DLE Ernie Portman April 19 2011 advised by Gordon VK4VP

Silent Key

Sadly we must advise of the passing of an Amateur and member of SCARC.
Ernie Portman VK4DLE passed away on the 19th of April.

He nearly always checked in after the news on a Sunday morning and while not a member who was in the headlines he was always in the background listening to what was going on.

Vale Ernie VK4DLE.

Welcome to QNews from VK4WIA. I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP, and I've been thinking.

The two things that most clubs find over time that are the hardest to maintain are the recruitment of new members and the keeping of current members. When membership renewal time comes around, there is probably an unconscious cringe amongst the management committee and a sucking in of breath waiting to see how the numbers stack up.

When it does happen that there is a number of non-renewals, what does the club know as to why? It is no use just speculating or justifying past action or inaction with self serving excuses. It is no use to the other club members if people stand around wringing their hands and wailing.

There can be as many reasons as there are people involved. So what can we do?

Perhaps what is needed is some one from the membership who can personally contact the non renewed members. They can be given the brief to greet these people and explain that the club is sorry that they have not renewed their subscription. If they indicate they do not intend to rejoin, then ask if they can frankly say what their reasons are. This will help the club and its current members be more responsive to member needs. In marketing, it is stressed that people are receptive and responsive to the use of their name. For this reason, please, oh please, do not resort to impersonal, anonymous form letters or emails.

When we are losing a friend from the circle, the best response is to enquire why and do so directly and personally.

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think.....how about you?

CLUBBING - TO SUPPLY NEWS ITEMS:-
email qnews@wia.org.au

SUNSHINE COAST
Maleny VK4RSC 146.850 and 438.075 VK4RSN 53.7
Noosa Heads VK4RSL 146.825 and 438.175

This is Gordon VK4VP with news from the Sunshine Coast

International Rally of Qld

Various members of SCARC and other amateurs once again helped out at the International Rally of QLD held at Imbil over the weekend of 14th and 15th of May. This event features the fastest drivers from Australia and the Asia Pacific region.

The SCARC big yellow comms van was at the Derrier Road spectators area where the action was coming thick and fast. If it wasn't a little MK 1 Escort being chased by Big Thommo in the Ford Falcon XY GT it was a Mitsubishi Evo X chopping down trees.

SCARC provided a point where the scores were displayed as soon as they were recorded meaning there was virtually no faster way to see what was happening in the field. It proved a great resource for Jamie the commentator at the spectator area as he was able to track the cars throughout the rally as each one finished a stage.

There were a few equipment failures early on but these were quickly sorted with the help of the team of packet experts on hand. You can't have too many TNC's and radios and this proved very true.

One of the highlights of the weekend was the Saturday night dinner at the Borumba Deer Park that has become a staple of the Rally event, and this year it proved as good as ever. 3 courses cooked in camp ovens and plenty of good cheer and laughter to wash it down.

Sunday saw more competition with the cars running in the reverse direction through the spectators area and provided plenty of photo opportunities.

This was my first year at the rally and I am sure I will be back next year.

This has been Gordon VK4VP

TABLELANDS RADIO AND ELECTRONICS CLUB
vk4wat@wia.org.au
www.treclub.org.au

G'Day again from Far North Queensland, where the wet season is finally drawing to a close and the cooler days are starting, this is Dale VK4DMC for the Tablelands Radio and Electronics Club, TREC, in Far North Queensland.

As you are listening to this news broadcast TREC members are, once again, out in the field playing radio and providing communications and check point manning for the Far North Endurance Riders. The weather is great and the horses and riders are enjoying the cooler conditions.

TREC has a meeting planned for Saturday the 25th of June at our clubrooms.

Stu VK4SDD the TREC president has just returned from a few weeks in Hawaii where as well as doing the touristy thing he also managed to work back into VK4 working a couple of fellow TREC members on 10 metres.

TREC members Gary VK4FD and Jeff VK4BOF spent a week at the Undara Volcanic National Park activating the park for the World Flora and Fauna 44. WFF44 is an International award program with stations setting up and transmitting from national parks worldwide in support of the environment.

Well that's your lot for this week.

Visit the TREC website at www.treclub.org.au for club information and you can also download the latest monthly club news in TREC-NEWS. Past issues are also available on the site.

This has been Dale VK4DMC and you are listening to the WIA news. Travel Well!

VK7
local area news :- http://reast.asn.au/news.php
vk7 local news, email vk7regionalnews-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

NTARC - June 8 - Presentation on Tamar Sea Rescue with Mark VK7FMWT and Joe VK7ZJA - Alanvale Skills Institute - Block B - 7:30pm.
http://www.ntarc.net

REAST - June 8, 15, 22, 29 - DATV Experimenter's Night - starts 7:30pm in the Queen's Domain Clubrooms.
http://reast.asn.au/atv/

VK5

Hello.

This is Charles on behalf of the south east radio group.

You may not be aware that the buy and sell part of the serg convention is only for one day this year , but the fox hunting will, as usual, be for two days.

We are having the convention at the Margaret street scout hall. The hall is located just behind the mount gamier police station. The hall opens Sunday the 12th of June at 10am. And doors will close at 2pm. So you only have 4 hours to grab a bargain.

Ross from strictly ham will be there as well as lots of second hand goodies. Bring over you home brew and enter it into our home brew contest. It even has a section for foundation licences.

The Australian fox hunting championships will start on the Saturday at 11am at the lakes and do we have a great one for you this year. The fox hunting will go over two days and we promise this year will be one to remember.

Check out the serg web site for more details.

So if you're doing nothing on the June long weekend why not come to mount Gambier and do some fox hunting?

EDUCATION YOUTH AND ADVANCEMENT OF AMATEUR RADIO
www.hamcollege.com.au

Congratulations go out to Paul VK4PRO of Alice River who recently successfully completed all elements of the Standard Licence Assessment via the WIA Exam Service in Townsville and has just been issued his brand new callsign by theACMA Look out for Paul on the HF bands real soon now, once he gets some projects completed for the Board of Control.

The SARL is planning various events to celebrate South African Youth Day 16 June including a discussion with young radio amateurs still at school about how they became involved in amateur radio and how it has benefited them.

Youth in Amateur Radio will be transmitted on 16 June at 09:30 and will also be available for download.

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

HAM RADIO RESPONDS TO JOPLIN TORNADO

Ham radio operators are a part of severe weather spotting as well as being involved in relief efforts as tornadoes continue to ravage the South. We have the latest in this report:

Actually, four days after the severe weather struck, very little is known about the role being played by radio amateurs in the South, especially in and around Joplin, Missouri. That's because they are far too busy saving lives and reporting damage to stop to make reports to the press.

We do know come from published news reports that quote Ron Kittleman, K0ADI. He says that hams have been stationed at the Springfield Missouri office of the National Weather Service. Also, that amateurs from ARES have been providing communication between hospitals and assessment teams following the tornado that hit Joplin at approximately 6 pm local time on Sunday, May 22nd.

According to Kittleman, the storm knocked out cell phone and landline communications across the area. Radio operators from ARES started relaying medical information between the Freeman Hospital and the St John's and Cox Health medical facilities in Springfield shortly after the storm hit.

Another report says that a Kansas and Western Missouri SATERN Teams from the Salvation Army has been activated for the Joplin tornado response. As we go to air, SATERN team members are reportedly assisting with communications in

the affected area. Also, a Salvation Army
emergency disaster services team based out
Pittsburg, Kansas has been deployed to
Joplin. Its job is to help carry out mass
feeding for residents and first responders
through a mobile feeding kitchen capable of serving thousands of meals a day.

As we go to air, the situation across the storm
ravaged region remains a fluid one with events
changing by the minute. We should know more in the coming days.

>From the Newsroom in Los Angeles, I'm Bill
Pasternak, WA6ITF, reporting for the Amateur Radio network

More on this ham radio emergency response to this
springs wicked weather in future Amateur Radio
Newsline reports.

HAMVENTION 2011: IT WAS THE SHOW TO BE AT

Dayton Hamvention 2011 is in the books and for
some, the highlights included an "out of this
world" experience in the visit of a NASA
astronaut and a surprise guest appearance by one
of the government's top communications
regulators. Amateur Radio Newsline's Mark Abramowicz, NT3V has the report.

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"My call sign here on Earth is KF5BOC. But I've
never used it. I call that my gravity call sign.
But, my real call sign is NA1SS from the space
station and I sort of got this emotional attachment to that now."

And, that's what NASA Astronaut Doug Wheelock had
to say during Saturday's Youth Forum at the
Dayton Hamvention, one of several events he
attended during the weekend celebration of Global
Friendship, the theme of this year's gathering.

Wheelock was invited to Hamvention to be part of
the American Radio Relay League's Expo.

But he spent a lot of time mingling and
circulating throughout various areas of the
Hamvention grounds and freely signed autographs
and chatted with folks and packed a Saturday
afternoon forum where he talked about life aboard
the International Space Station.

Wheelock says his time aboard the space station was anything but routine.

It was last July 31, only hours after a
pre-arranged contact with K2BSA at the Boy Scouts

of America Jamboree in Virginia that things got challenging.

"I had just shut down the tread mill and about 10
minutes later the alarms went off," Wheelock
recalls. "I looked and I kept silencing the
alarms, silencing the alarm. I picked up the mic
and said 'Houston are you there?'

"And, they weren't answering and so then I looked
and all my crewmates were there and they said:
'What did you do?' I said: 'I just turned off the tread mill, I promise you.'

"Anyway, we had a pump module that failed, we
ended up having to go outside and do three space walks."

And, Wheelock says, it was great to know there
were people - other than his crewmates and NASA
engineers - who he could talk to and decompress
as they battled to fix the problem...

"As we came back in from those spacewalks. I got
on the ham radio and we talked about it and
everything," Wheelock says. "Using that radio and
having you guys as an emergency contact for us
around the globe was a warm, warm feeling for me
as a commander aboard that space station."

And, Wheelock says, he looked at ham radio aboard
the ISS as a critical back-up, should all else fail...

"I thought, you know, I have these emergency
contacts on every continent on that planet down
there," Wheelock recalls. "And, I thought if my
communication goes out with Mission Control, I am
not hesitating one bit to call some of my friends
and say: 'Hey, Chris, can you give Mission
Control a jingle and tell 'em that we're okay.' "

And, Wheelock says, becoming a ham has been a life-changing experience....

"The friends that I made in the amateur radio
business and community, I now feel like a just an
entrenched member of this community and it really
truly has changed my life for the better," Wheelock says.

Finally, Wheelock recalls "crossing the line."
He thought it was harmless when he did it. But
his NASA ham radio instructor informed him after
he did it that...well, let's have him tell the
story of wishing a frequent friend over Europe by
the name of Fabiano a happy birthday...

"I felt like I was kind of slapped on the wrist
by NASA and then I thought, and then I felt

flattered that my singing of Happy Birthday was
actually considered music," he says.

Wheelock truly was a hit, stopping to take
pictures with nearly everyone who asked and
signing program books and NASA photos.

He'll also be appearing in an upcoming video the ARRL is producing.

Now, what else happened at Dayton?

Well, imagine you're Hamvention chairman Michael
Kalter W8CI, and you get word Federal
Communications Commission Chairman Julius
Genachowski is "in the house" and wants an audience.

No fooling!

Genachowski had a flight diverted to Dayton
Friday night because of the storms in the Midwest
and was told it might be a problem finding a
hotel room because of the Hamvention.

Well, Genachowski found a room and decided to
check out ham radio for himself and this big
gathering of hams from around the world.

As Kalter and others from the Dayton Hamvention
committee tell it, Genachowski spent about two
hours at the gathering. He circulated among many,
including those in the main arena where he
chatted with folks about the advanced technology in use in amateur radio today.

The Dayton Hamvention committee estimated
attendance of at least 20-thousand and say they
got positive feedback from both the inside
vendors and those in the flea market.

One little glitch made this year's Hamvention a bit memorable.

Early in the afternoon, Hara Arena personnel
began closing off all the restrooms with yellow
caution tape and directing people to porta-potties outside.

Most didn't learn until later that major sewer
line broke, sending its contents into an area of the flea market.

Well, the affected flea market spots were moved,
the leak was temporarily fixed, and people came
back Sunday for the final day of events.

I'll be back next week with more on Hamvention
2011, including a special interview with a YL who
has been a big part of activities in Dayton for
24 years. Next year, she's looking forward to 25

and she'll clue us in on what she has in store.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, from Dayton, I'm Mark Abramowicz, NT3V.

COUNCIL OF EUROPE ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS RF FREE ZONES

The Council of Europe's Parliamentary Assembly Committee on the Environment released a report titled The Potential Dangers of Electromagnetic Fields and Their Effect on the Environment. The paper, made public on May 6th carries recommendations that, if adopted, could have major implications for wireless carriers and, to a lesser extent, broadcasters and any RF emitter in the European Union.

In regard to standards or threshold values for emissions of electromagnetic fields of all types and frequencies, the Assembly that prepared the report recommends that the "as low as reasonably achievable" principle be applied. This, covering both the so-called thermal effects as well as the biological effects of electromagnetic emissions or radiation.

The report also is among the first to give credibility to a phenomena that most scientists and researchers have long been sceptical of. Paragraph 8.1.4 of the report recommends member states of the Council of Europe pay particular attention to the needs of what it calls electro-sensitive persons. These are people who claim that they suffer from a syndrome of intolerance to electromagnetic fields. The report suggests the introduction of special measures to protect these people. This includes the creation of wave-free areas not covered by a wireless network. What effect acceptance and implementation of the recommendations would have on ham radio operations in Europe remain to be determined. (RW)

CQ ANNOUNCES HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

And CQ magazine has announced its 2011 Hall of Fame inductees, welcoming 12 new members into the CQ Amateur Radio Hall of Fame.

Topping this years list alphabetically is TV and Film producer Dave Bell, W6AQ, who was chosen for this honour based on his deep involvement in producing multiple amateur radio promotional videos over the past several decades.

Also from Southern California is Nate Brightman, K6OSC. He is credited with being the "spark"

behind W6RO, the ham station aboard the Queen Mary in Long Beach, California.

Rounding out the California contingent is
Cardinal Roger Mahony, W6QYI, the Archbishop
Emeritus of Los Angeles. He was recognized for
his leadership as an advocate for immigration reform.

Others recognized include Ron Moorefield, W8ILC
of Kettering, Ohio. Since its inception,
Moorefield has been one of the guiding lights of
the Dayton Hamvention. He was also recognized
for his work as a coordinator of the cross-country 1984 Olympic Torch Relay.

There was also one each member inducted into the
CQ DX Hall of Fame and the CQ Contest Hall of
Fame. The 2011 inductee to the CQ DX Hall of
Fame is Michael J. McGirr, K9AJ. McGirr has been
a leading DXpeditioner who has operated literally
from the ends of the Earth over nearly 30
years. The 2011 inductee to the CQ Contest Hall
of Fame is John Sluymer, VE3EJ, who has been an
active contester and DXer since 1973. He is a
founding member and current president of Contest Club Ontario.

The CQ Amateur Radio Hall of Fame honours those
individuals, whether licensed hams or not, who
have made significant contributions to amateur
radio; and those amateurs who have made
significant contributions either to amateur
radio, to their professional careers or to some
other aspect of life on our planet. The CQ
Contest and DX Halls of Fame honour those amateurs
who not only excel in personal performance in
these major areas of amateur radio but who also
"give back" to the hobby in outstanding
ways. Formal inductions to the CQ Contest and DX
Halls of Fame took place at last weeks Dayton
Hamvention. A complete list of this years
inductees is on-line at www.cq-amateur-radio.com.

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WEIRD AND WONDERFUL

WHO GIVES WHO THE PIPS!

In the UK last Tuesday the time signal pips which had heralded the "top of the hour" on BBC radio 4 since 1924 "went missing".

Announcers and listeners took to the new form of social media trying to locate them!

Instead of the distinctive six beeps, the first five of which ring for a tenth of a second, the final one for half a second a dignified silence was observed.

Listeners on the internet tweeted "The pips have died. This is as serious as the ravens fleeing The Tower," said one. Another: "My condolences to the friends and family of @BBC_GTS [Greenwich Time Signal]. I recommend five seconds' silence."

During the Cold War it was believed that the commander of British Polaris nuclear submarines were told to tune into Radio 4 every morning to ensure they hear the broadcasts. If no Today programme, complete with pips, was heard, they were meant to go to the safe, open instructions, written from beyond the grave by the prime minister, and attack the enemy.

John-Paul Dunkley, a BBC broadcast engineer, was interviewed about the absence of the pips. He said: "The box that creates the audio of the pips has died in the basement of Broadcasting House."

The much sort after pips are generated thanks to an atomic clock in the basement of Broadcasting House.

Luckily, Mr Dunkley said, the "bongs" that greet the start of the six o'clock and midnight news bulletins, and are recorded from the Palace of Westminster's Big Ben, were unaffected. "That's simpler technology," he said.

Just think of the consequences if the "bongs" were lost! or worse, if WWV were to lose there pips!

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2011

The International Museums weekend, an annual worldwide event, is being held over the two weekends of 18th - 19th June and 25th - 26th June 2011.

They welcome all individual amateurs, groups and clubs to work with their local museums to host a special event station.

The museums taking part over the years have included ships, castles, air museums, Napoleonic forts, pumping stations, wireless museums, racing museums and many others. For the purposes of the event, the word 'museum' is loosely interpreted.
There really is no shortage of venues in which such an event can be staged, no matter where in the world you might live.

Those clubs and museums which do decide to take part, should use the free on-site 'Registration' facility

http://www.ukradioamateur.co.uk/imw/

The 'Registration' is simply to assist in administration of the event and provide those taking part with an indication of how many and exactly where the museums taking part are located.

If you require more information then go to http://www.ukradioamateur.co.uk/imw/ or contact Harry M1BYT.

(Bobby Wadey MI0RYL)

Aug 20-21 WW I.L.L.W.

TARC ready for the 2011 Lighthouse Lightship Weekend

ARRR! MATEYS !

theTARCinc plans to activate the Cape Cleveland Light (ILLW Number AU0045)
on 20 and 21 August as part of the International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend.
It will be a great weekend full of relaxed operating with the challenge of
deploying HF VHF and UHF antennae in a remote environment and talking to
stations at other lighthouses around Australia and the world.

Travel to and from the site via the mighty barge Hercules.

Pristine surroundings away from the hustle and bustle with a unique view of
Townsville. Spot the Whales, dugongs, sea turtles, dolphins plus much more !

Is your appetite ravenous ?

Contact Steve VK4SJW on 47723767 h to put your name on the list.

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

JULY

Hellenic Amateur Radio Association of Australia out to Lord Howe Island VK9HR.
24th July to 2nd August 2011.

JULY

In DX, the Intrepid-DX Group and the DX Friends
plan to activate the Southern Sudan as new
country on or after July 9th. At airtime members
of the two groups report that they are in
consultation with representatives of the new
Southern Sudan Government, the International
Telecommunications Union and the International
Amateur Radio Union working on making
arrangements. More on this proposed operation
will be posted on-line at www.dxfriends.com/SouthernSudan2011

AWARDS

For the last sixty years the Illawarra Amateur Radio Society has
hosted the Lawrence Hargrave Awards. Access to the award is
available to all Amateur Operator license classes. To be eligible to
apply for an award you need a confirmed contact with the clubs
official station VK2AMW. You are also eligible for the award by
logging contacts with financial Illawarra Amateur Radio Society
members. For a full list of the rules and to download an application
form to claim your award visit the Illawarra Amateur Radio Society
web site, www.iars.org.au

THE QNEWS WORK BENCH - the nuts and volts report -
(Measure twice - Cut once!)

You are invited to a Technical Seminar

The College of Information, Telecommunications & Electronic Engineering
invites you to attend one of the presentations by its 2010 Eminent Speaker,
Dr Terry Stevenson on -

The Engineering Leadership required in the development of Complex Systems.

Terry is the Chief Technology Officer for Raytheon Australia

The seminar is on Tuesday 7th June - 5.30pm for 6pm Start at
Hotel Ibis, 12-14 Palmer St, South Townsville
RSVP is required & there is a $10 charge for any non-members you would like
to bring with you.

RSVP Online at
https://events.engineersaustralia.org.au/ei/rs.esp?id=431&scriptid=_30A11VLDN

For further information please visit -
http://www.engineersaustralia.org.au/eminentspeaker/

MEDIA WATCH
www.cq-amateur-radio.com/WorldRadio.html
VK Club Bulletins http://groups.yahoo.com/group/aarnie/

Toby Corbett VK3PNF is a member of the technical committee of The Shepparton
And District Amateur Radio Club, and along with Mike VK8MA has installed the
Automated software on IRLP/Echolink Node 6992 which is linked to 2m Repeater
VK3RGV Mt Wombat at a frequency of 146.650Mhz

Shepparton will air the news Sunday nights at 7:30pm.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ARDF
WIA ARDF COORDINATOR VK3WWW Jack vk3www@wia.org.au
http://users.mackay.net.au/~ron/
http://www.homingin.com
http://www.ardf.org.au

Sep 23-28 R3 Region 3 ARDF Championship Bendigo VK3
http://r3.ardf.org.au/

Famous TARC Foxhunt happening soon

If you are in the vicinity of the Townsville Region on Saturday July 2nd
from 1pm and want to get involved in a Foxhunt then Tony VK4TJS wants to hear
from you.

You have until 28th June to get your attendance numbers in for the Foxhunt.

There will be activities for all family members to participate in during
the Foxhunt and things will end up with some in-flight catering.

To cater for the event Tony needs to know your attendance numbers and you
need to quiz Tony further regarding details about the Foxhunt.

Who do you have to call ?

Tony VK4TJS of course, on 47740582

SOCIAL SCENE

2011

Jun 11 - 12 VK2 Oxley Region Amateur Radio Club annual Field Day

Jul 16 VK3 Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club Hamfest
Cranbourne Community Hall 10am (secretary@ggrec.org.au)

Jul 16 VK4 Maryborough Electronics and Radio Group "Wide Bay Hamfest"
West Scout Hall, Ariadne St, Maryborough 8:30am.
secretary@merg.org.au

Jul 31 VK2/3 Riverina Field Day 10am at Lavington Scout Group Hall.

Aug 7 VK2 Lismore region - SARCFEST

Sep 11 VK3 SADARC Comms Day at St Augustine's Hall Shepparton 10am.

Sep 16-18 VK4 NQ Amateur Radio Convention Date Set Townsville

Sep 23-28 R3 Region 3 ARDF Championship Bendigo VK3
http://r3.ardf.org.au/

Sep 30-Oct 2 VK4 Central Highlands Amateur Radio Club AGM at Camp Fairbairn
CONTACT Secretary Gordon, (vk4kal@wia.org.au)

Nov 20 vk5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society Hamfest
Goodwood Community Centre, Rosa St Goodwood at 0930.
Visit www.ahars.com.au for contact details

FINAL FINAL WITH THE WIA

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Secretary Sarah Thompson VK3AUD secretary@wia.org.au
Treasurer John Longayroux VK3PZ vk3pz@wia.org.au

The WIA Annual Conference took place last weekend in Darwin.

The weekend was an outstanding success thanks particularly to the dedicated band of helpers from the Darwin Amateur Radio Club, WIA manager Mal Brooks and the many others who contributed.
It was layback, captured the atmosphere of the Territory, it all worked and was attended by amateurs from every state and territory other than Tasmania but even one from New Zealand.

Friday night was dinner at the Trailer Boat Club, watching the sun set over Fannie Bay and addressed by the Lord Mayor of Darwin Graeme Sawyer, who spoke of the top end weather and ecology and the depressing damage cause by the cane toad.

While the partners toured Darwin, the statutory Annual General Meeting, followed by the presentation of a number of awards followed by the Open Forum took place on Saturday morning.

Among the awards presented was the George Taylor Medal, presented to Jim Linton VK3PC, recognising his great contribution last year to the Centenary Celebrations in leading and guiding the promotional aspect of the Centenary year as well as his incredibly many years of work for amateur radio in many fields.

Because he could not be in Darwin the award was presented using a Skype link. At the same time Geoff Atkinson VK3AFA was presented with the Chris Jones Award.

Details of all the awards as well as other information from the Open Forum and the WIA Directors meeting on Monday morning will be published on http://www.wia.org.au the WIA website and in AR.

The Open Forum was a constructive discussion of many matters, including unanimous support for the RD contest to start at around lunchtime.

Saturday afternoon was devoted to a symposium, led by David Donnelly VK8DON who described the role of Bush Light in bringing renewable energy to remote communities.

106 people sat down to a successful dinner on Saturday night, with the highlights of Doug McArthur telling stories of radio and amateur radio in old Darwin, and well known singer and local amateur John Mitchell VK8JM providing memorable entertainment.

Sunday saw a visit to Litchfield National Park, the magnetic termites, a visit to Florence Falls, a Barbecue at Wangi Falls provided by members of the Darwin Club, and evening saw the end of the conference with another sunset and a meal at the Mindil Beach Sunset Market.

As I say, the weekend was a success. I think almost everyone saw me and said how much they enjoyed the weekend and how seamless and lay back it all was.

The members of the Darwin Amateur Radio Club, its President Spud Murphy, Secretary Peter Blackadder, the drivers, the barbecue experts, those who looked after the drinks the people who looked after the partners, even meeting everyone on arrival at Darwin airport made 2011 yet another memorable year.

And now put in your diary next year's Annual Conference, the weekend around the 26 May 2012, in Mildura, Victoria supported y the Sunraysia Radio Group.

Yes, when we decided to hold a Conference in Darwin I was a little nervous. It is so far away. But I hoped we could do something for amateur radio by going there.

But the support of the many attending, the support of the amateurs of Darwin, made it a weekend to remember.

Thank you.

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their time and equipment in bringing you this weekly broadcast.

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==> + PUBLIC SERVICE: CENTRAL MASSACHUSETTS EXPERIENCES RARE TORNADO,
AREA HAMS HASTEN TO HELP

At least two tornadoes touched down in Central Massachusetts late in
the afternoon on Wednesday, June 1. The storm pulverized or sheared off
the tops of roofs on Main Street in Springfield, a city of more than
150,000, located about 90 miles west of Boston. A debris-filled funnel
swept into downtown from the west, then swirled across the Connecticut
River, which runs through the city. Like their counterparts in Alabama
and Missouri who responded when storms hit those regions, hams in
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Western Massachusetts volunteered their time and radios to the American Red Cross the National Weather Service. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/central-massachusetts-experiences-rare-tornado-area-hams-hasten-to-help>.

==> + PUBLIC SERVICE: ARES® STANDS DOWN AFTER JOPLIN STORMS

Due to the end of the "search and recovery" mode after the EF5 tornado that struck Joplin, Missouri on Sunday, May 22, ARRL Missouri Section Emergency Coordinator Ken Baremore, W0KRB, notified area hams that all Amateur Radio communications from the Emergency Operations Centers to the field operations have been stood down as of May 30. According to Baremore, officials are now focusing on debris and potential body part removal. "We do have some ARES® operators who are scheduled, and we will continue to work with SATERN through the rest of this week," he said. "I want to thank all of you who volunteered and came to Joplin to help with communications, as well as those of you who are still contacting me to see if additional help is needed." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/ares-stands-down-after-joplin-storms-cert-volunteers-needed>.

==> IARU NEWS: ARRL HEADQUARTERS HOSTS OVERSEAS VISITORS

Where is Amateur Radio growing the fastest? The answer may surprise you -- it's China. The enthusiasm of Chinese radio amateurs was very much in evidence at ARRL Headquarters on Tuesday, May 24, when a dozen amateurs from Beijing and Shanghai toured ARRL Headquarters. The group -- which included representatives of Chinese AMSAT -- had attended the Dayton Hamvention® the previous weekend, where a booth for the Radio Association of China and its subsidiary, the Chinese Radio Amateur Club (CRAC, pronounced SEE-rack), was a part of ARRL EXPO.

ARRL Chief Executive Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ, met with Zhu San Bao, BY1CRA, Executive Vice Chairman of The Radio Association of China, to hear about the evolution of Amateur Radio in China and to explain ARRL operations in more detail. China is now represented in the International Amateur Radio Union by the Chinese Radio Sports Association (CRSA). CRAC has been established to cover all aspects of Amateur Radio and is assuming some of the functions of the CRSA.

The Chinese guests capped a busy period of international activity at ARRL HQ that began on Monday, May 16, with a visit by Gopal Madhavan, VU2GMN, who is a Director of IARU Region 3, as well as President of the Amateur Radio Society of India (ARSI). The following day, two officers of the Viet Nam Amateur Radio Club (VARC) -- Chairman Nguyen Minh Duc, XV2REH, and President Nguyen Bac Ai, XV2A -- arrived to tour ARRL Headquarters and to discuss their plans for hosting next year's IARU Region 3 Conference.

All of these visitors included Dayton in their itineraries. While the Hamvention always attracts many foreign visitors, the theme of this

year's event -- Global Friendship -- made their presence especially appropriate. To mark the theme, the ARRL EXPO area included exhibits representing, in addition to China and the IARU itself, four IARU Member-Societies: Deutscher Amateur Radio Club (Germany), Japan Amateur Radio League, Qatar Amateur Radio Society and Radio Society of Great Britain. The Radio Amateurs of Canada booth was nearby, rounding out our "global village."

==> + ON THE AIR: GEAR UP FOR THE ARRL JUNE VHF QSO PARTY

Lots of RF will be generated on 6 meters and up the weekend of June 11-12 during the 2011 ARRL June VHF QSO Party. While many amateurs think of the VHF+ bands as a "local" band for public service, emergency communications or even a bit of fun on FM repeaters, weak-signal VHF+ enthusiasts know better. Even with a modest station, it's possible to work hundreds, or even thousands of miles on the VHF bands during a good opening.

ARRL Contest Branch Manager Sean Kutzko, KX9X, is a big VHF enthusiast. "In more than 25 years of Amateur Radio, weak-signal work on 6 and 2 meters remains the most fun and intriguing activity I do," he said. "There is nothing like a good VHF opening. With its fun and interesting propagation characteristics like sporadic-E, tropospheric ducting, aurora and even meteor scatter and moonbounce, VHF offers QSO opportunities that HF can never satisfy." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/gear-up-for-the-arrl-june-vhf-qso-party>.

==> + ON THE AIR: JOIN THE USA ARDF TEAM IN ALBUQUERQUE

The Annual USA Championships of Amateur Radio Direction Finding (ARDF) will take place in forests near Albuquerque, New Mexico from September 14-18, 2011. USA's national championships are being combined with the IARU Region 2 Championships. According to ARRL ARDF Coordinator Joe Moell, K0OV, they are open to anyone of any age who can safely navigate in the woods with handheld radio gear for several kilometers. Medals will be awarded for the top three finishers on each band in 10 age categories, six for males and four for females. A two day training camp will precede the formal competitions.

Organizers of the 2011 championships are members of the Albuquerque Amateur Radio Club and the New Mexico Orienteers, led by Jerry Boyd, WB8WFK, and Mike Pendley, K5ATM. Registration is now open -- Moell said that it is important for competitors to register early. The organizers need an accurate head count and assurances that there will be sufficient attendees. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/ardf-update-foxhunters-prepare-for-national-and-iaru-championships-in-albuquerque>.

==> + ON THE AIR: ARRL VHF/UHF ADVISORY COMMITTEE SEEKS INPUT

The ARRL would like to encourage more participation in its several VHF/UHF contests held each year. Many of the HF transceivers sold in recent years include 50 MHz, and some also include the 144 and 432 MHz

bands with multi-mode capabilities. The question at hand is how can we encourage more owners of such radios to utilize these bands and modes to participate in VHF/UHF contests?

The ARRL VHF/UHF Advisory Committee (VUAC) has been asked to consider this question, and to make recommendations to encourage, explore and expand the ARRL VHF and UHF contests and other operating activities by using the multi-band and multi-mode capabilities of modern transceivers and related equipment.

The VUAC would like to ask the Amateur Radio community to provide their comments and ideas for consideration.

Please send any comments or ideas you have on this matter to your ARRL VUAC Division representative no later than July 1, 2011. A listing of each Division's VUAC representative can be found at http://www.arrl.org/arrl-staff-vuac-cac.

==> + FCC NEWS: FCC ISSUES CITATION TO ILLINOIS COMPANY FOR ILLEGAL MARKETING OF UNAUTHORIZED RADIO FREQUENCY DEVICES

On June 2, the FCC issued a Citation to Gary L. Stanford -- doing business as Spark Gap CB Shop in Lincoln, Illinois -- for "marketing in the United States unauthorized radio frequency devices and external radio frequency power amplifiers." This is in violation of section 302(b) of the Communications Act, and Sections 2.803(a)(1) (marketing of radio frequency devices prior to equipment authorization) and 2.815(b) (external radio frequency power amplifiers) of the Commission's rules.

On November 1, 2010, an agent from the FCC's Enforcement Bureau office in Chicago visited the Spark Gap CB shop in Lincoln. According to the Citation, the agent asked the clerk if the store had any amplifiers for sale. The clerk showed the agent a display case with external radio frequency power amplifiers for sale from several different manufacturers. The clerk also suggested that the agent consider purchasing a 10 meter Amateur Radio that is modified to operate on frequencies in the 11 meter Citizen's Band. The clerk also showed the agent a 10 meter Amateur Radio that was on display and operating on a Citizen's Band frequency. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-issues-em-citation-em-to-illinois-company-for-illegal-marketing-of-unauthorized-radio-frequency>.

==> + US DISTRICT COURT DISMISSES MAINE AMATEUR'S COUNTERCLAIMS

After two US Attorneys filed a Complaint in US District Court in October 2010 <http://www.arrl.org/news/us-charges-k1man-with-failure-to-pay-fine> against Glenn Baxter, K1MAN, for not responding appropriately to an order that he pay a $21,000 fine for violating several sections of Part 97, Baxter filed many pro se motions. On May 23, the US District Court in Maine released an Order <http://www.arrl.org/files/media/News/Baxter_Counterclaim_Dismissed.pdf>,

dismissing one of Baxter's motions, an amended counterclaim, on multiple grounds.

The Court dismissed Baxter's claim for the following reasons: That the counterclaim plaintiff [Baxter] does not have standing to file a civil action against the government for its decision not to initiate a prosecution; that this Court does not have subject matter jurisdiction to review a Federal Communications Commission licensing decision, and that the Federal Tort Claims Act does not authorize a civil suit based on a governmental agency's alleged failure to perform its statutory duty.

The fine had been levied, according to the Complaint, "for defendant's willful and repeated violations of Sections 97.101(d) [commencing transmissions on top of existing communications on 3.890 MHz] and 97.113(a)(3) [transmitting communications in which the station licensee or control operator has a pecuniary interest] of the Commission's Rules, and for the defendant's willful violation of Section 97.105(a) [exercising control over station] and 97.113(b) [broadcasting] of the Rules, and for failure to file requested information pursuant to an Enforcement Bureau directive" [information in brackets added]. The Complaint sought to force payment of the $21,000 fine along with a filing fee and "such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper."

==> ARRL SECTION NEWS: NEW SECTION MANAGER APPOINTED IN SANTA CLARA VALLEY

Phil Steffora, K6TT, of Los Altos, California, was appointed as Santa Clara Valley Section Manager on May 25. ARRL Membership and Volunteer Programs Manager Dave Patton, NN1N, made the appointment in consultation with Pacific Division Director Bob Vallio, W6RGG. Steffora's appointment extends through June 30, 2012. First licensed in 1998 as KF6PEQ, Steffora upgraded to General in 2006 and then Amateur Extra in 2008. He has served as a Santa Clara Valley Assistant Section Manager since January 2009, and was Vice President of the Northern California DX Club (NCDXC <http://www.ncdxc.org/>) from 2009-2011. Steffora holds Worked All States, DXCC and other DX and contest achievements. The Section's top ARRL Field Organization position has been open since Bill Dale's, N2RHV, term of office concluded on June 30, 2010. Dale served as Section Manager of Santa Clara Valley for two terms.

==> IN THE SHACK: RADIOSHACK LOOKING FOR SUGGESTIONS FOR DIY PARTS

Back in the day, RadioShack was the first place many of us looked for parts. QST construction projects routinely referenced RS part numbers, and the Shack even sold 10 and 2 meter transceivers. What goes around comes around, and RadioShack is now looking for input from us, as members of the larger DIY community, on parts we'd like to see them carry. There's a video <http://blog.radioshack.com/post/2011/05/19/RadioShack-And-The-DIY-Community-

You-Talked-Were-Listening.aspx>
explaining what they're looking for, and a place to add comments.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "Sweet dreams 'til sunbeams find you
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PpzB_Akopug>" Cook, K7RA, reports: Last week, we reported that it has been a long time since sunspot numbers passed the 100 mark, but this week, that's exactly where the sunspot numbers have been: On Tuesday, May 31, the daily sunspot number reached a high of 132. The average daily sunspot numbers increased more than 55 points to 89.9, while the average solar flux rose nearly 20 points to 103.1. The latest forecast shows solar flux at 115 on June 2-3, 110 on June 4-8, 105 on June 9-10, 100 on June 11-14, rising to 105 on June 15, and 110 on June 16-26. The planetary A index is predicted to be 10, 8, 10 and 8 on June 2-5, 5 on June 6-8. The next period of high geomagnetic activity is projected for June 22-27, at 12, 22, 18, 18, 15 and 8. Geophysical Institute Prague sees unsettled to active conditions June 3-4, unsettled June 5, quiet conditions June 6-7 and quiet to unsettled June 8-9. Look for more information -- including a look at the three month moving average for daily sunspot numbers, plus have a peek ahead to Field Day conditions -- on the ARRL website on Friday, June 3. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by Dream a Little Dream of Me <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dream_a_Little_Dream_of_Me>, as sung by Mama Cass Elliot from The Mamas and The Papas <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The_Mamas_%26_the_Papas>.

==> + JIM TALENS, N3JT, WINS MAY QST COVER PLAQUE AWARD

The winner of the QST Cover Plaque Award for May is Jim Talens, N3JT , for his article "An Emergency Backup Solar Power System. " Congratulations Jim! The QST Cover Plaque award -- given to the author or authors of the best article in each issue -- is determined by a vote of ARRL members on the QST Cover Plaque Poll Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cover-plaque-poll> . Cast a ballot for your favorite article in the June issue today.

==> THERE'S STILL TIME TO ENTER THE 2011 ARRL PHOTO CONTEST!

Have you ever wanted to see a photo of yours in QST, the annual ARRL Amateur Radio Calendar or another ARRL publication? Well, here's your chance! If you're among the winners, not only will your photographic skill be propagated far and wide, but we're offering $100 as the First Prize. The winning photo and three runners-up will be published in QST. All submitted photos will also be considered for the 2012 ARRL Calendar.

- Deadline: Photos must be received at ARRL HQ by June 30, 2011.
- Subject: Must be directly related to Amateur Radio, and be in good

taste. Extra points will be awarded for photos showing folks having fun with Amateur Radio. Photos will be judged on overall quality and composition.
- Requirements: Digital images or color prints accepted. A digital image printed on photo paper, however, doesn't work as well as a high-resolution file attachment. Digital images should be high resolution. A digital image up to 8 MB in size can be e-mailed to upfront@arrl.org, subject line "2011 Photo Contest." An image may also be burned to a CD and mailed to ARRL Photo Contest, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111. All entries must include caption information describing where the photo was taken, along with a description of the subject of the photo, as well as the names and call signs of any persons shown. If you entered last year's contest, please do not resend the same photo for this year's contest. One entry per person.
- Miscellaneous: The decisions of the judges -- composed of QST editorial and production staff -- are final.

==> THIS WEEK ON THE RADIO

This week:

- June 3 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- June 4 -- Wake-Up! QRP Sprint
- June 5 -- 10-10 International Open Season PSK Contest
- June 4-5 -- Maritimes QSO Party; Alabama QSO Party; SEANET Contest
- June 7 -- ARS Spartan Sprint

Next week:

- June 10 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- June 11 -- Portugal Day Contest; Asia-Pacific Sprint (SSB)
- June 11-12 -- DRCG Long Distance Contest (RTTY), VK Shires Contest; CWops Mini-CWT Test; GACW WWSA CW DX Contest; REF DDFM 6 Meter Contest
- June 11-13 -- ARRL June VHF QSO Party <http://www.arrl.org/june-vhf-qso-party>
- June 12 -- SKCC Weekend Sprint
- June 15 -- NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- June 3-5 -- ARRL Northwestern Division Convention (SeaPac) <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/northwestern-division-convention-seapac-1>, Seaside, Oregon; ARRL Wyoming State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/wyoming-state-convention>, Cheyenne, Wyoming

- June 4 -- ARRL Atlantic Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/atlantic-division-convention-rochester-hamfest-1>,
Rochester, New York; ARRL East Bay Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/east-bay-section-convention>, Berkeley,
California; ARRL Georgia State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/georgia-state-convention-atlanta-hamfest>,
Marietta, Georgia
- June 10-11 -- ARRL National Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arrl-national-convention-ham-com-2011>,
Plano, Texas
- June 11 -- ARRL Tennessee State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/tennessee-state-convention-1>, Knoxville,
Tennessee
- July 2 -- ARRL Eastern Pennsylvania Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/eastern-pennsylvania-section-convention-firecracker-hamfest-1>,
Marysville, Pennsylvania
- July 15-17 -- ARRL Montana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/montana-state-convention-glacier-waterton-international-hamfest>,
Essex, Montana
- July 29-30 -- ARRL Oklahoma State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/oklahoma-state-convention-ham-holiday-2011>,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

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Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1764 - June 3 2011

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1764 with a release date of Friday, June, 3 2011 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. The ham radio team in NYC that met with the sponsor of H R 606 has more good news about the future of that bill, a new system for US based educators to request schoolroom contacts with the International Space Station, Japan scraps the last of its Morse code ham radio testing and the ARRL's VUAC is looking for ways to increase activity on the world above 50 MHz. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1764 coming your way right now.

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RADIO LAW: HR-607 SPONSOR BEGINS WORK TO ELIMINATE 70 CM HAM B AND FROM THE BILL

Some more good news on the future of House of Representatives measure HR-607 and its possible impact on the amateur radio allocation from 420 to 440 MHz. Mike Lisenco, N2YBB, was one of the four New York City area hams that recently met with the bills sponsor Representative Peter King and elicited a promise to get the measure changed. This, so as to eliminate the possible sale of that ham radio allocation from it. Now says Lisenco, the action to do this is already underway:

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N2YBB: "After we met with Congressman King on the 19th; shortly after that we were told by his staff that the Congressman requested of the committee that Section 207 which is the section in HR-607 that deals specifically with the sale of spectrum below 512 MHz be completely removed from the bill.

"He went to Conressman Greg Walden, who is a Republican from Oregon, whose callsign is W7EQU, and who is the chairman of the House Subcommittee on Technology, Communications and the Internet.

"Both of them agreed to remove the section and we are being told that the bill will absolutely not move forward until (Section) 207 is removed from it."

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According to N2YBB, he sincerely believes that Congressman King is a man of his word and will follow through completely on his commitment to remove any reference to the 70 centimeter band from the measure. And according to Lisenco, this is a good lesson in how hams must learn to deal with all political issues on a grass roots level:

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N2YBB: "I think the lesson that we learn here is that the best approach is to develop working relationships with all legislators; whether they be on a Congressional level; whether they be on a local level such as a City Council member or a state representative.

"It really behooves us to go out and build these working relationships with our representatives because a face-to-face meeting with a constituent is a thousand times more powerful then 10,000 letters."

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Lisenco notes that unlike the 1950's, 60's, or 70's, that today with the speed at which communications takes place it really is necessary to get a face to face meeting with legislators on issues that affect our service.

As to when the action to remove 420 to 450 MHz from possible resle under HR-607, Lisenco cannot say. He notes that legislation in Washington moves at its own pace but he is certain that Representative King will act in the best interest of his constituents in the amateur radio community which he represents in Congress. (ARNewsline(tm))

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: NEW US ONLY SELECTION PROCESS ANNOUNCED FOR ARISS CONTACTS

An announcement that will change the way in which educators in the Unuited States must apply for ham radio in space classroom contacts with the International Space Station is now in place. Norm Seeley, KI7UP, reports:

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The Amateur Radio on the International Space Station or ARISS planning group along with the NASA Johnson Space Center Education Office's Teaching From Space staff have jointly announced a new processes that United States based educators will need to follow. This, to submit a proposal for a school contact with the International Space Station crew.

Effective immediately, a application for an ARISS school contact must consist of a comprehensive education plan, of which the ARISS contact is one of many components. Other parameters include the integration of NASA education and ARRL content with surrounding education activities, and incorporate creative ways to maximize the reach of the ARISS contact and the experience for students. .

The proposal should include study topics related to space technology, space exploration or space research, as well as amateur radio, radio science and wireless communications technology. Also, the educator must describe the instructional activities and lessons to be engaged in with students as part of the learning and preparation for the proposed contact

ARISS astronaut contacts under the new processes will begin in January 2012 and end in July 2012. A window of opportunity will open every six months when another NASA news release goes to educators. The first of these opened on May 19th and will close on July 15th.

The initial NASA news release was sent on May 19th to 18,000 educators. NASA's Teaching From Space Office stresses that for the moment the new procedure applies only to schools in the United States. Educational institutions in other countries will continue to follow their existing process.

>From Scottsdale, Arizona, I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP, reporting for the Amateur Radio Newsline.

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Full coverage of the ARISS program changes can be found on-line courtesy of the ARRL at tinyurl.com/3ejz5lu (Southgate, ANS, ARRL, others)

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RESTRUCTURING: JAPAN SCRAPS FINAL MORSE TESTING

The country that started the no-code licensing revolution some six decades ago has finally dropped the Morse testing requirement for all of that nations ham radio licensees. This with word that the Japanese Ministry of Internal Affairs has decided to scrap Morse testing for the Amateur Radio Class 1 and 2 licenses with an effective date of this coming October 1st.

What amounts to Japan's version of a Notice of Proposed Rule Making on the Morse test was held earlier in the year. There were 39 people who responded. Following a discussion of the information the responses provided, the Ministry announced that Morse telegraphy testing would be discontinued.

Japan pioneered the High Frequency No-Code Amateur Radio or Class 4 license in the 1950's although they still required Morse for the higher license classes. The written exam for the Class 4 is roughly equivalent to the Foundation exam in the United Kingdom and Australia and the discontinued USA Novice.

The Japan Ministry of Internal Affairs announcement on the abolishment of Morse testing is on line in Google translated English at tinyurl.com/3s4bljx (WIA)

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RADIO HEALTH: WHO NOW SAYS CELLPHONES MAY CAUSE CANCER

According to the World Health Organization, radiation from cell phones can possibly cause cancer. This as the agency now lists mobile phone as a carcinogenic hazard.

According to published news reports, a team of thirty-one scientists from fourteen nations reached this the decision after reviewing previously reviewed studies on cellular telephone safety. The scientists say that they found enough evidence to categorize personal exposure as possibly carcinogenic to humans. What that means is they found some proof of increase two types of brain cancer with mobile phone users, but have not been able to draw conclusions for other types of cancers.

The wireless industry responded to the announcement saying it "does not mean cell phones cause cancer. The Cellular Telecommunications Industry Association noted added that World Health Organization researchers did not conduct any new research, but rather just reviewed already published studies.

Before its announcement on Tuesday, May 31st the World Health Organization had assured consumers that no adverse health effects from cellular telephones had been established. (Published news reports)

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RESCUE RADIO: SPRINGFIELD TORNADO RESPONSE

Two tornadoes touched down in Central Massachusetts on Wednesday, June 1st causing widespread damage to the city of Springfield and several other communities. Amateur radio operators sprang into action on several fronts including providing assistance to the National Weather Service in spreading word about the storms

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According to reports reaching our news desk, a half dozen hams associated with a Western Massachusetts ARES group provided support the American Red Cross in staffing shelters in several communities hit by the storms. Also utilized was the services iof hams attached to

RACES at an Emergency Operations Center in near the city of Springfield which was one of the towns hit by a tornado.

At airtime the death toll stands at four but first responders are going door to door looking for other victims trapped in damaged buildings. Massachusetts Governor Deval Patrick called up 1000 National Guardsmen and has declared a state of emergency. More on this situation as information is made available. (KC5FM, Published news reports)

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ENFORCEMENT: MIAMI UNLICENSED BROADCASTER FINED $20,000

Yet another unlicensed broadcaster in Florida has been handed a stiff penalty by the FCC. This, as it upholds a $20,000 fine against Nounoune Lubin for operating a radio station in North Miami, withour a government grant to do so.

According to an FCC release, on four occasions in late 2009 and into 2010, agents from the Miami office traced the source of an illegal signal on 90.1 MHz to Lubin's premises. They also traced a cable from an antenna in the backyard to transmitting equipment in her home. The FCC says that even after receiving two Notices for operating an unauthorized station, Lubin continued on the air. That's when it decided to issue a Notice of Aparant Liability to Monetary Forfeiture in the amount of $20,000.

In response, Lubin simply claimed she did not operate the station, but offered no other proof. The regulatory agency was unconvinced. In affirming the fine it said that even if Lubin herself didn't operate the station, the equipment was on her premises, powered on and under her control.

The agency then upheld the original penalty, which has now escalated to a forfeiture order. Lubin was given the customary 30 days to pay or to file an appeal. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: COURT DISMISSES K1MAN COUNTERCLAIM

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HAM HAPPENINGS: NEW AMERICAN LEIGON RADIO CLUB SEEKS MEMBERS

QCWA President Bob Roske, N0UF, reports that a new American Legion Radio Club is in the process of organizing. Membership is available to Legionnaires, Auxiliary, Legion Riders and others who qualify. If you are interested in becoming a part of this new group please send your full name, callsign, address and Leigon membership number by e-mail to K9TAL (at) legion (dot) org. (N0UF)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: K6TT APPOINTED SANTA CLARA VALLEY CA SM

Phil Steffora, K6TT, of Los Altos, California, has been appointed as Santa Clara Valley Section Manager effective May 25. ARRL Membership and Volunteer Programs Manager Dave Patton, NN1N, made the appointment in consultation with Pacific Division Director Bob Vallio, W6RGG.

That ARRL's section's top ARRL Field Organization position has been open since Bill Dale, N2RHV, term of office concluded on June 30, 2010. Steffora's appointment extends through June 30, 2012. (ARRL)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: VUAC WANTS INPUT ON HOW TO INCREASE ACTIVITY

According to Jon Platt, W0ZQ, the ARRL would like to encourage more participation in several VHF and UHF contests held each year. In a posting to the VHF Reflector, Platt is quoted as noting that many of the High Frequency transceivers sold in recent years include 50 MHz. Some also include the 144 and 432 MHz bands with multi-mode capabilities. He goes on to say that the question at hand is how can we encourage more owners of such radios to utilize these bands and

modes to participate in VHF and UHF contests?

Platt says that the ARRL VHF/UHF Advisory Committee - the VUAC -- has been asked to consider this question. Also to make recommendations on ways to encourage, explore and expand the ARRL VHF and UHF contests and other operating activities by using the multi-band and multi-mode capabilities of modern transceivers and related equipment.

W0ZQQ says that VUAC would like to ask the amateur radio community to provide its comments and ideas for consideration. Please send any that you have to your ARRL VUAC Division representative no later than July 1st. A listing of each Division's VUAC representative can be found at www.arrl.org/arrl-staff-vuac-cac. (VHF Reflector)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: POPE BENEDICT XVI CROATION VISIT TO BE COMMEMORATED BY HAM RADIO

Ham radio will be a part of the celebration as Pope Benedict the 16th will be visiting the Republic of Croatia for the first time between June 4th and 5th.

The city of Zagreb was to be the host town during his stay in Croatia. The visit of Pope Benedict has also inspired the members of the Croatian Flora Fauna Radio Club to activate the special callsign 9A16PB. The PB in the callsign is in honor of Pope Benedict.

Hams in Croatia will keep 9A16PB on the air through June 13th. QSL this very special operation via 9A2MF. We will have more special event information later on in this weeks Amateur Radio Newsline report. (OPDX)

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This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: THE BODY AS AN ANTENNA

Microsoft Research has presented some interesting technologies at the recent Association for Computing Machinery's Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems. One of these is titled "Your Noise is My Command: Sensing Gestures Using the Body as an Antenna."

In this case, the human body isn't transmitting. Rather it is receiving electromagnetic noise from objects the body or hand. It then

feeds this data to a laptop in a backpack for interpretation.

This presentation received one of the conferences thirteen best-paper awards. And as you might have guessed, it was titled "Your Noise is My Command: Sensing Gestures Using the Body as an Antenna." (TV Technology)

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RADIO IN SPACE: NEXT MARS ROVER BEING MADE READY FOR LAUNCH

NASA engineers are putting the finishing touches on the next rover to Mars before shipping it off to Florida for launch later this year. What's being described as a small army of technicians dressed in protective suits have been working almost nonstop inside of a clean room at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, California, assembling the new rover named Curiosity and testing its science instruments.

NASA says that it will begin shipping spacecraft parts to Cape Canaveral beginning next month. The size of a small SUV, Curiosity will drive around Mars and study whether the planet ever had the right environment to support primitive life.

The Mars mission was supposed to launch in 2009, but technical setbacks and soaring costs forced a two-year delay. The $2.5 billion project is now scheduled to launch in late November. (NASA)

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HAM RADIO NEAR SPACE: BALLOON NUMBER 165 FROM EOSS TO FLY ON JUNE 11TH

Edge Of Space Sciences will be flying its 165th stratospheric balloon flight on Saturday June 11th. Launch is slated for 7:10 AM Mountain time from Deer Trail, Colorado.

This flight will be in support of Colorado University Boulder's Space Grant Consortium Shot Workshop with student built experiments as the payload. These are the tentative payload frequencies 147.555 MHz transmitting the call AE0SS in Morse and 144.340 MHz A-P-R-S using the identifier AEOSS-11.

Some 40 students are participating in this latest launch which will loft a 20 pound payload using a 3000 gram helium filled balloon. For the latest information on this and other Edge of Space Sciences projects, please check the groups website at www dot eoss dot org. The June 11th flight follows closely on the heels of Edge of Space Sciences its 164th stratospheric balloon flight that took place on Saturday May 28th. (KC0UUO)

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RADIO ON THE MOVE: WHITTER AK. TO BROWNSVILLE TX. ON APRS EQUIPPED BIKE

On the air, keep an ear open foe Keith Stebbings, KE1THR of Joseph, Oregon. This as he attempts a long distance bicycle ride from Alaska to Texas.

Stebbings departed from the Alaskan town of Whittier on May 12th on his touring bike pulling two small trailers. In addition to his regular biking gear, Stebbings is carrying amateur radio equipment that includes an APRS transmitter which will pinpoint his location for the next five months as he heads toward Brownsville, Texas. He has a Yaesu VX-6R handie talkie as well as a Yaesu FT-857 all-band transceiver that runs on batteries kept charged through a solar panel.

When he is not on his bike, Keith Stebbings is the director of the Wallowa Avalanche Center in Oregon. His progress on his 5-month, 8000 mile ride can be tracked on the Internet at aprs.fi by entering the call ke1thr-4 in the callsign search. (Alaska Newsminer, others)

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In DX, K0YAK is currently based at the US Embassy in Kathmandu, Nepal and is active as 9N7AK during his spare time. He is expected that he will be there until early July using SSB and PSK31 on 20 through 10 meters. QSL's should go via his home callsign.

PA4JJ will be active portable 9A from Porec on the Croatian mainland between June 6th and 24th. He will operate holiday style using RTTY and PSK31 most of the time. QSL via his home callsign.

And while short notice, three operators from Italy will be on the air portable H-B-Zero from Liechtenstein through June 5th. They plan to operate holiday style using CW, SSB and RTTY, with main focus to be given to 12, 17 and 30 meters as well as the upper High Frequency bands as well as 6 meters. QSL as directed on the air.

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THAT FINAL ITEM: A LADY THAT CONTRIBUTES TO THE DAYTON HAMVENTION

And finally this week the story of a Dayton Hamvention forum leader who has been a part of the annual event for close to a quarter of a century. Amateur Radio Newsline's Mark Abramowicz, NT3V, has the story of this educator who keeps kids coming to Hamvention year after year after year:

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Carole Perry, WB2MGP, has been the driving force behind Dayton's annual Youth Forum on Saturdays here at the Hamvention for years.

Perry says it's been an incredible experience working with young people who really have an interest in not just turning on a radio and talking or typing on a keyboard, but interest in the technical side.

Perry says she's heard from those who attended past Youth Forums and went on to some pretty exciting careers...

"The kids work for NASA, the kids get involved with the Hubble telescope - they've reported back. They've all gone on - for the most part - into technical pursuits," Perry says. "And even if they never got a license, the fact that they had fun and became technologically a little bit more knowledgeable, then that's the stuff we're there to do with them."

So how did Perry get connected to the Youth Forum?

"I taught 'Introduction to Amateur Radio' for 30 years," Perry says. "And now that I'm retired, it was either the hammock or continue doing this and I chose to do this.

"And, I love working with young people. There's a positive energy that you get when you work with young people. So that's why I love it."

Perry says the Youth Forum at Dayton wouldn't be possible if it weren't for the equipment vendors, ham radio publications, and the Radio Club of America...which she says is especially generous to the youth who make presentations...

"At the end of it, each presenter from RCA gets the 'Young Achievers Award' from RCA as well as a $100 stipend to encourage them for their presentations and for their work in wireless communications," Perry says.

Next year is the 25th anniversary of the Youth Forum and Perry says she's already working on some ideas with the folks at Dayton and others.

"I've got DARA thinking about it, a lot of the publishers of the ham magazines are thinking about it," Perry says. "We're considering doing a reunion of all the kids who have presented over the last 25 years -that's one of the thoughts. So we're going to be working on that."

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Mark Abramowicz, NT3V, reporting from the Dayton Hamvention.

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Carole Perry, WB2MGP, has received many honors over the years, but perhaps the greatest is the fact that 24 years after she began the Dayton Hamvention Youth Forum, it is still growing in size and importance each year. (ARNewsline(tm))

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB, the Southgate News and Australia's WIA News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is Newsline (at)

arnewsline (dot) org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California, 91350

And a reminder that the nominating period for the year 2011 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award is now open. Created by Newsline back in 1986, this award is offered to recognize one young United States or Canadian radio amateur age 18 or younger for his or her contributions to society through Amateur Radio.

As in years past, the 2011 recipient will receive an expense paid trip to the Huntsville Hamfest in Huntsville Alabama courtesy of Vertex-Standard Corporation which produces Yaesu brand amateur radio gear. Vertex-Standard will also present this years winner with a special ham radio related gift. CQ Magazine will again treat the recipient to a week at Spacecamp-Huntsville. We at Amateur Radio Newsline will present the winner with a plaque honoring his or her achievements.

All nominations and materials required by the official rules must be received by ARNewsline before June 30, 2011. A downloadable nominating form is at our website at www.arnewsline.org. A nominating form can also be obtained by sending a request along with a self addressed stamped envelope to the Young Ham of the Year Award in care of Amateur Radio Newsline, Inc. 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California 91350.

Again, the cutoff date for these years Young Ham of the Year Award nominations is June 30th. We ask you to do your part by nominating a young ham who has done something special related to ham radio. The nomination form is at www.arnewsline.org.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Jim Damron, N8TMW, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 5th June 2011

The news headlines:

* South Coast Olympic comms tests on 70cm this week

* New ARISS contact record

* Luso Tower sold

As previously announced, the RSGB has been approached by Ofcom to determine sections of the 70cm band that could be released for a limited period around the Olympic Games. The RSGB has has now received an update that the first communications tests for the Olympics affecting 70cm will take place in the Weymouth and Portland area between Friday 3 June and Wednesday 8 June. These will take the form of spot frequency telemetry transmissions in the range 431 to 432MHz plus some more limited activity around 436MHz. All amateurs are requested to respect these tests and not interfere with them. We understand that OFCOM have advised the Olympics organising committee that this spectrum should not be used for this purpose during the actual Games, although further tests may take place later this year.

After spending 157 days aboard the International Space Station, ESA Astronaut Paolo Nespoli, IZ0JPA answered questions of students from 45 different schools, setting a new ARISS record for a single astronaut. Expedition 26/27 established a new ARISS record, working 77 schools in 68 radio contacts during the mission.

The RSGB is pleased to report a great deal of interest in the Luso tower described in this month's RadCom. Several members have expressed an interest in the 36m tower and we can report that it has been sold at the price originally paid for it.

The International Amateur Radio Union Monitoring System Region 1 newsletter is now available online on the IARUMS website, www.iarums-r1.org. You can see detailed reports from the national coordinators within Region 1.

The RSGB CW National Field Day finishes at 1500UTC today, 5 June, and stations will be looking to collect as many points as possible. QSOs on 160 and 10m count as double points and so expect the 10m band to be particularly popular. Results will appear in due course on the RSGB Contest Committee website www.rsgbcc.org.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

The Newhaven Fort Amateur Radio Group Rally and Fort Open Day takes place today, 5 June, at Newhaven Fort, East Sussex, near the southern end of the A26. Entry is £2 and the doors open at 10.30am. Details from Eddie, G0ECW on 01273 300772. The Spalding & DARS annual rally will be held at The Sir John Gleed Technology School, Halmer Gardens, Spalding, Lincs, PE11 2EF today, 5 June. There is free car parking and the doors open at 10am. Details from John, G4NBR, on 0794 630 2815.

The 15th Red Rose QRP Festival will take place today, 5 June, at Formby Hall, Alder Street, Atherton, Manchester M46 9EY. There is free car parking and entry is £2. There will be a Bring & Buy. Details from Les Jackson, G4HZJ on 01942 870634.

Finally for today, 5 June, the Hull & District Amateur Radio Society Grand Auction/Mini Rally will be held at the HADARS Club House, Goathland Close, Hull. Doors open at 12 noon and the sale starts at 1.30pm. There will be a Bring & Buy with 10% of proceeds to the club funds. To book any items in before the sale then call Keith on 01482 217776.

On Sunday 12 June, the 10th Junction 28 QRP Rally will take place on 12 June at Alfreton Leisure Centre, Church Street, Alfreton, Derbyshire DE55 7BD. The venue is just 10 minutes from junction 28 of the M1 and the A38. Doors open at 10am and there will be trade stands and a Bring & Buy. OT 10, TS, B&B, SIG, C. More details from Russell Bradley, G0OKD on 01773 783658.

Also on 12 June, the Ipswich Radio Rally will be held at The Orwell Crossing Lorry Park, A14 Eastbound, Nacton, Ipswich, IP10 0DD. There will be a car boot sale, a Bring & Buy, RSGB bookstall and Special Interest Groups in attendance. Doors open at 9.30am and the entry fee is £1. Contact Steve, M1ACB on 07711 329624.

A Train the Trainers course will take place on 18 June at the Old Mill Community Centre, West Street, South Normanton, Derbyshire. The event will start at 10am and includes a free lunch as well as a raffle. If any tutors would like to attend, please contact Jim Stevenson, G0EJQ by e-mail to g0ejq@live.co.uk.

Now for the news of special events

Bush Valley Amateur Radio Club will be active on a club day out on 12 June from Slieve Gallion, a peak of the Sperrin Range in Northern Ireland. The club callsign MN0GKL will be used and activity is expected on all bands.

Verulam Amateur Radio Club is celebrating its 50th year with a special event day on Saturday 11 June. The event is being held on the premises of a local school in St Albans in Hertfordshire where the Verulam club is also making a promotion of amateur radio over two days to 15 local schools. Special event callsign GB5OVE will be active on HF SSB, CW and various data modes between 9 and 11 June inclusive.

And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

Vincent, F4BKV plans to be active from Shetland, EU-012, Orkney, EU-009 and Great Cumbrae EU-123 between 11 and 13 June prior to joining the MS0INT team. The MS0INT IOTA effort will be operating from various Scottish islands from 14 to 20 June. Full details of locations and callsigns can be found on www.ms0int.com. There will be three stations active on CW and SSB on the HF bands and 6 metres. Several operators will be on the air as MS0RSD from Skye from 5 to 10 June. QSL via M0URX either via the bureau or direct.

PA/DL1KD will stay on Texel from 6 to 20 June. QSLs via bureau, direct or Logbook of The World.

J48O will be active from the Kastri Lighthouse on the Othonoi Islet between 17 and 25 June. Activity will be on 6 to 80 metres using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via SV2FPU.

Now the contest news

The latest leg of the 80m Club Championships takes place on 6 June from 1900 to 2030UTC. Using datamodes only, the exchange is signal report and serial number.

The following day, 7 June, it's the 144MHz UK Activity Contest from 1900 to 2130UTC. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

Next weekend, 11 and 12 June, is a busy time for contests, mostly short duration events. For 24 hours there's another opportunity to take part in the 6m contest French REF DDFM 6m, running from 1600 to 1600UTC. Participating French stations will add their Department number to their callsign when calling CQ, eg F6XYZ/71. Exchange a report, serial number and the first four digits only of your locator. Locator squares count as multipliers, so French stations will be happy to work the UK, plus there's an award for the top non- French entry. Remember that French stations operate only above 50.200MHz.

Low power enthusiasts will be heading for the hills on Sunday for the 2nd 144MHz Backpackers contest between 0900 and 1300UTC. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The 6-hour Practical Wireless 2m Low Power Contest also takes place on Sunday 12th, the first four hours of which coincides with the 2m Backpackers event. The maximum power level is 3 watts and multipliers are locator squares. Starting at 0900UTC, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

And now the solar factual data for the period from the 23rd to the 29th of May, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on the 30th of May

First the latest smoothed monthly sunspot numbers which are for July, August, September and October and are 16.7, 17.4, 19.6 and 23.2 respectively.

Several small sunspot regions were visible at the start of the period but on the 27th a large complex region rotated into view and with it solar activity increased to moderate levels. On the 28th and the 29th a M1 class solar flare took place. A large coronal mass ejection accompanied the flare on the 29th. Solar flux levels increased from 80 units on the 25th to 111 by the 29th. The average was 90 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 29th remained at the same level as last week at 108 units. X-ray flux levels increased from A7.2 units on the 26th to B5.5 by the 28th. The average was B1.1 units. Geomagnetic activity started at quiet levels, the Ap index on the 23rd and the 25th was only 4 units. However, as forecast, a coronal hole disturbance arrived late on the 27th. Active continued to increase on the 28th when the Ap index was 40 units. This disturbance was probably the result of the coronal hole and a coronal mass ejection arriving at Earth around the same time. The average was Ap 15 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds increase from 320 kilometres per second on the 26th to a fast 830 kilometres per second by the 29th. Particle densities were low throughout except for a brief increase to 14 particles per cubic centimetre on the 28th. Bz varied between minus 4 and plus 5 nanoTeslas on the quiet days and between minus 12 and plus 9 nanoTeslas on the 28th. Bz remained strongly negative for a 7 hour period during the 28th which allowed auroral propagation to cover most of the UK and Europe. Sporadic-E took place every day up to 50MHz with a good opening on 144MHz on the 26th.

And now the solar forecast. There is a good chance that this week solar activity could increase to moderate levels, particularly during the next few days. Solar flux levels could be as high as the 110's, or maybe higher. Geomagnetic activity should be quiet till end of the week when a recurring coronal hole disturbance is expected to arrive on Friday. The disturbance is then expected to last for the weekend with the daily Ap index in the teens. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 22MHz for the south and 19MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be about 12MHz. Paths this week to Japan should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 20MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 14MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 1100 and 1400 hours. Sporadic-E is expected to take place almost every day on 28 and 50MHz. There is also a good chance of openings up to 144MHz. In many summer seasons June would appear to be the best month for openings at 144MHz.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your

transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS On Sunday 5 June Lincoln Short-Wave Club is at the Spalding Rally. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

On Monday 6 June Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society has members' Yaesu FT.290 comparison checks. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548478, daytime.

On Monday 6 June South Birmingham Radio Society is planning for VHF Field day. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Monday 6 June South Normanton Alfreton & District Amateur Radio Club is having a rally planning night. Details from A Lawrence, 2E0BQS, by email to adylawri@btinternet.com.

On Tuesday 7 June Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a junk sale. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 7 June Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club is in the shack. Contact Chris, M0MFP, on 01507 442240.

On Tuesday 7 June Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is having a vintage radio night. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Wednesday 8 June Lincoln Short-Wave Club G6COL is on the air. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

On Wednesday 8 June Midland Amateur Radio Society Short is holding a committee meeting followed by 80th birthday celebration buffet. All are very welcome from 7.30pm. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 01214 229 787.

On Wednesday 8 June Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on RSGB matters by Dave Wilson, M0OBW. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday 9 June Salop Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. Details on the club website at www.salop-ars.org.uk.

On Thursday 9 June South Birmingham Radio Society is having training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603. On Friday 10 June Bromsgrove & District Amateur Radio Club is preparing for the VHF contest. Contact Chris, M0BQE on 01905 776 869.

On Friday 10 June Coventry Amateur Radio Society is taking part in Bunkers on the Air at Bulkington, Meriden, Church Lawford. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777363.

On Friday 10 June Nunsfield House Amateur Radio Group is holding a junk sale. Details from Ken Frankcom, G3OCA, on 01332 720976.

On Friday 10 June South Birmingham Radio Society is having a construction evening. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Saturday 11 June Lincoln Short-Wave Club is in the shack and putting GB2CWP on the air. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

On Saturday 11 June Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society is running a carnival weekend radio station at Symington's recreation ground. For more information contact Peter D Rivers, G4XEX, on 01858 432105.

On Sunday 12 June Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club will be running an amateur radio station at Friskney Village Hall, Friskney, off the A52 between Skegness and Boston. More information from Chris, M0MFP on 01507 442240.

On Sunday 12 June Hucknall Rolls Royce Amateur Radio Club will be at the Junction 28 Rally at Alfreton Leisure Centre. More information from Dave Wilde, G1YAI, on 0844 4355593.

On Sunday 12 June South Normanton Alfreton & District Amateur Radio Club is running its QRP rally. Details from A Lawrence, 2E0BQS, by email to adylawri@btinternet.com.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND On Monday 6 June Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club Come is on the air and having a natter night. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 0191 477 0036.

On Monday 6 June Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the 80m CC Data. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240573.

On Monday 6 June Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having an informal social evening and taking part in the RSGB 80m Club Contest Datamodes section. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 6 June Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night and preparing for VHF Field Day. Details on the web at www.tcars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 7 June Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is finalising the details for our attending the Halifax Charity Gala. Contact Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341317.

On Wednesday 8 June Hambleton Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on Doppler DF by Bill, G0WGZ. More information from Tony Wilson, G3MAE, on 01609 881530. On Wednesday 8 June Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on Ever Ready by Bob, M0GAP. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240573.

On Thursday 9 June South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having a talk on baluns by Ron, G3SVW. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 0161 969 3999.

On Friday 10 June East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is holding a technical forum. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Saturday 11 June Denby Dale Radio Club is operating special event station GB2HS from Honley Show near Huddersfield. club will also have a stand, where they will be offering a free crystal set construction kit to try and interest young people in electronics and amateur radio. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220126.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND No news items have been received for Northern Ireland this week.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday 7 June Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club evening. Details from Norman, on 07740 946192.

On Wednesday 8 June Lothians Radio Society is holding its AGM. Contact Andy Sinclair, by email to secretary@lothiansradiosociety.com.

On Wednesday 8 June West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society has Solder Group homebrew projects & licence training. More information from Fred Coombes, 2M0BIN, on 01415 715512.

On Thursday 9 June Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society has Morse practice and is on the air. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663.

On Friday 10 June Borders Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on industrial control by Graham, MM0XXL. More information from Danny, 2M0CDO, on 01890 882850.

On Friday 10 June West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society is having presentations, guest speakers, a quiz and a raffle. More information from Fred Coombes, 2M0BIN, on 01415 715512.

On Sunday 12 June Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the Practical Wireless 144MHz QRP contest. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA On Sunday 5 June Echelford Amateur Radio Society is attending the open day at Vandals Rugby Club. Contact John, G4GSC, on 01784 451898.

On Sunday 5 June Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is having a breakfast meeting in Goring cafe. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816684.

On Monday 6 June Braintree & District Amateur Radio Society is holding an aerial clinic. For more information contact John, M5AJB, on 01787 460 947.

On Monday 6 June Burnham Beeches Radio Club is having a talk on PW by the editor, Rob Mannion. Contact Dave, G4XDU, on 01628 625 720.

On Monday 6 June East Kent Radio Society is having a talk on The Men and Bailey Bridges by Martin Stoneham, G4RVV. Details from Karl Davies, M1DFM, on 01227 710120.

On Monday 6 June Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the RSGB CC Data contest. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898678.

On Monday 6 June Southdown Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on GB2PW and valve amplifiers by John, G3DQY. Details from John, G3DQY, on 01424 424 319.

On Monday 6 June Surrey Radio Contact Club is holding its construction contest. Contact John, G3MCX, on 020 8688 3322.

On Monday 6 June Verulam Amateur Radio Club is holding a committee meeting. Details from Tony, 2EOWAP, on 01727 853087.

On Tuesday 7 June Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720815.

On Tuesday 7 June Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is having a G5RV evening. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Wednesday 8 June Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is having a members' forum. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday 8 June Harwich Amateur Radio Interest Group is having a talk on the Bardsey Island Activation by M0ZZO and 2E0WMG. Details from Kevan, 2E0WMG, on 07766 543784.

On Wednesday 8 June Havering & District Amateur Radio Club is having an informal evening & Morse class by Peter G3JSR. More information from John, M0UKD, on 07890 222111.

On Wednesday 8 June Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is having a friendly foxhunt leaving at 19.30. Bring a map, compass, DF gear, mobile phone and. plenty of fuel. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898678.

On Wednesday 8 June South Essex Amateur Radio Society is having a presentation on the Essex CW Group by Jonathon Michener. Contact Norman, M0FZW, on 01268 692776. On Wednesday 8 June Southgate Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the Hertfordshire Air Ambulance by David, M0XDS. Contact David Sharp, M0XDS, by email to david.sharp1@tesco.net.

On Wednesday 8 June Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is planning for the 2m QRP contest. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816684.

On Thursday 9 June Bittern DX Group is having an informal meeting at Pinewood Park Leisure Club. Details from Linda, G0AJJ, on 01692 404154.

On Thursday 9 June Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is operating GB5RVA from Sandford Mill. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Thursday 9 June Echelford Amateur Radio Society is having a talk about IOTA by Roger Balister, G3KMA. Contact John, G4GSC, on 01784 451898.

On Thursday 9 June Edgware & District Radio Society is having a surplus equipment sale. More information from Mike, G4RNW, on 0208 950 0658.

On Thursday 9 June Reading & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the spectacular history of receivers by John Ellerton, G3NCN. Details from Pete, G8FRC, on 01189 695 697.

On Thursday 9 June Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a Top Band pedestrian DF hunt. Details from David, G8UOD, on 01234 742 757.

On Thursday 9 June Verulam Amateur Radio Club commences its 3 day event celebrating its 50th anniversary at Sandringham School, St Albans. Details from Tony, 2EOWAP, on 01727 853087.

On Friday 10 June Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on baluns by John, G0GKP. Contact Ron, G3KBR, on 01223 501712.

On Friday 10 June Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is holding a fox hunt. The hall is closed. Contact Peter, G4AKG, on 01444 239371.

On Friday 10 June Radio Society of Harrow is having a presentation and demonstration of the club's new Rigblaster Pro Digital Interface by Stuart M1SMH. More information from Linda, G7RJL, on 0208 386 8586.

On Friday 10 June Wimbledon & District Amateur Radio Society has Foundation licence training and is on the air. Contact Andrew Maish, G4ADM, on 020 8335 3434.

On Saturday 11 June Hastings Electronics and Radio Club is holding an auction of used & surplus equipment from 9am at Holy Redeemer Church Hall, Upper Church Road. Details from Gordon, on 01424 431 909.

On Sunday 12 June Bromley & District Amateur Radio Society is attending the Bromley Pageant of Motoring. Details from Andy, G4WGZ, on 01689 878089.

On Sunday 12 June Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is taking part in the PW 144MHz QRP contest. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Sunday 12 June Felixtowe & District Amateur Radio Society is at the ESWR Rally. More information from Paul, G4YQC, by email to pjw@btinternet.com.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST On Sunday 5 June Torbay Amateur Radio Society is hosting the Torbay Buildathon, which is open to non- members. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 7 June Blackmoor Vale Amateur Radio Society is having a VHF evening. Contact Tony, G0GFL, on 01258 860741.

On Tuesday 7 June West Devon Radio Club is having a talk on military and vintage collectables by Tony Helm, G4BCX. Further information from Jules Cuddy, M1AGY, on 01752 291588.

On Thursday 9 June South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is training for VHF NFD. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695471.

On Thursday 9 June Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a barbecue. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317750.

On Thursday 9 June Yeovil Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on George's QRP rigs by G3ICO. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk.

On Friday 10 June Torbay Amateur Radio Society is helping candidates revise for the Advanced exam. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES On Monday 6 June Dragon Amateur Radio Club is having a quiz by GW3GUX. More information from Stewart Rolfe, GW0ETF, on 07833 620733.

On Tuesday 7 June Wrexham Amateur Radio Society is having a test equipment demo. More information from Patrick, 2W0HUU, on 07947 701 927.

On Thursday 9 June Marches Amateur Radio Society is on the air, holding a construction evening and having a natter night. For more information contact Dave, MW0AYM, on 01691 777242.

546. Request for Volunteers for Joplin, MO

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-06-03 20:47:51 UTC
From: ARRL Members Only Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20110603202607.B750D208C2@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 4536
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

I just received this from ARRL HQ. If you are interested, please follow the instrucitons below carefully.

In accord with our Memorandum of Understanding with The Salvation Army, we are looking for volunteers to aid them in their work in Joplin, Missouri at this time. There is a specific process to be followed in doing this, so please read this information carefully.

The Salvation Army continues to provide food, drink and other items of basic care to survivors and rescue workers in the impacted areas of Joplin, MO. While cell phone coverage is no longer much of a problem in Joplin, amateur radio continues to be important in certain operations such as those of the Salvation Army where the ability for several persons to hear what is going on at the same time is an asset.

As a SATERN (Salvation Army Team Emergency Radio Network) operator, if deployed, you will be asked to go out on Salvation Army vehicles into the areas impacted by the Joplin tornado to supply logistical support. The Salvation Army vehicles supply basic human needs (particularly food and drink) and you will play a big part in the operation. You will relay information as to inventory, requests for food and drink, maintenance problems that develop, etc. It may surprise you, but at certain periods of the day the radio traffic has been almost constant. The Salvation Army Disaster Response Operations are now running from 7 a.m. to as late as 9 p.m.

DO NOT SELF_DEPLOY!

Wait to be contacted for possible deployment and assignment.

The qualifications for being assigned are:

ü Technician or higher Amateur Radio license.

ü Good health – you will encounter 100 degree heat, exertion and long hours. You need to be in good shape!

ü Ability to take on a 3 to 5 day deployment in the field.

ü Have an HT and a mobile (VHF/UHF) radio – also having APRS is a big plus.

ü Experience with disaster responses. ARES leadership experience a plus.

ü NIMS/ICS training with a minimum of IS-100, IS-200 completed.

The process to volunteer is:

1. Send an email to emergency@arrl.org

Include name, call, contact information (phone & email),
location

and specific information on how you meet each of the criteria above

2. Your information will be checked against the current needs

3. If cleared, your contact information will be sent to our liaison
with SATERN field leadership.

4. If assigned, you will be contacted by SATERN directly and given
further instructions.

The Salvation Army will try to supply you with some type of lodging, if
available. If deployed, you should consider bringing a sleeping bag or
make other sleeping arrangements should you need to be housed at the
Salvation Army.

SATERN operations in Joplin are being held on the 147.00 (positive
offset) repeater. If you are deployed, you will need at minimum a
2-meter handheld radio with a spare battery pack (or cigarette lighter
adapter) and a magnetic mount antenna. Due to some communications
problems experienced on 2-meters within the impacted area, a 2-meter
mobile radio with magnetic mount antenna would be desirable.
Additional information will be furnished to you.

No reimbursement for travel or any other expenses has been authorized
at this time. Therefore, I would recommend that you record your mileage
and save your receipts. You may be able to deduct your mileage from
your taxes (consult your tax preparer). The Salvation Army will of
course provide you food and drink while on duty.

ARRL Nebraska Section
Section Manager: Arthur I Zygielbaum, K0AIZ
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547. SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 05 JUNE 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-06-04 19:00:15 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <20110604190006.8199A33C5F@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4537
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 05 JUNE 2011

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. PLEASE NOTE: for audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 and 3,695 MHz SSB.

SILENT KEYS

It is with regret that it has to be announced that the key of two radio amateurs went silent recently. They are:

Corrie Van Der Westhuizen, ZS4CR, on the 29th May and:

Wallie Els, ZS6WE, on Monday the 30th May after having suffered from a combination of illnesses lately. He was cremated on Thursday the 2nd June.

Our sincerest condolences to the relatives and friends of the deceased.

(PAUSE)

In the news today:

CELEBRATE 50 YEARS OF RSA

URGENT NOTICE TO ALL AMATEUR LICENSEES

SUMBANDILASAT SO67 YOUTH DAY EVENT

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting news items.

CELEBRATE 50 YEARS OF RSA

On 31 May 1961, the Republic of South Africa came into being and to celebrate the 50th anniversary the Boland Amateurradioklub will operate a special event station with the callsign ZS50RSA. It was on the air on Saturday 4 June 2011 and will be operating for the next twelve months during special events and during on the air competitions. QSL will be

via the bureau and the SA-QSL on the web. All cards received will be reciprocated.

The Boland Amateur-radio klub aims to achieve the WAZS 500 during the twelve months of operating ZS50RSA.

URGENT NOTICE TO ALL AMATEUR LICENSEES

Last weekend ICASA cancelled over 34 000 radio licenses that have remained unpaid for the past 365 days. This includes all amateur radio licenses that are unpaid for the past year. Check that you have paid your license and if you do not have a valid printed license or an official receipt call ICASA at 011 566 3313 or 011 566 3319 between 08:30 - 16:00 Monday - Friday. If your amateur license was cancelled call now and ICASA will re-instate it if you can prove payment. If you have not paid, do so now using the information and account number on your last license.

ICASA's finance department did not consult with the licensing department and simply cancelled all licenses unpaid for 365 days. It should also be noted that ICASA sends out reminders as a courtesy but the responsibility remains with the licensee to ensure that the license is paid up at all times.

The current fee is still R27 and the new license period is from 1 April to 31 March. If you did not pay R6,75 in January for the three months January to March add that to the R27 in other words pay R33,75.

SUMBANDILASAT SO67 YOUTH DAY EVENT

As part of the SARL Youth Day event on 16 June, SA AMSAT has joined the activity with a special satellite event and competition. The original beacon message will be transmitted on the two morning passes. Each pass is approx 10 minutes and starts at 07:56 and 09:33 CAT respectively. The first pass has a much higher elevation and reception should be possible with a simple antenna and a hand held transceiver. The receive frequency is 435,345 MHz but please tune up and down to compensate for Doppler. To enter the competition, participants under 18 must copy the callsign given in the message. There are several prizes to be won. There is a second competition open to all age groups. Copy the full beacon text either as an mp3 recording or fully written out. Send entries to saamsat@intekom.co.za.

JAPAN SCRAPS FINAL MORSE TESTING

The country that started the no-code licensing revolution some six decades ago has finally dropped the Morse testing requirement for all of that nation's amateur radio licensees. This with word that the Japanese Ministry of Internal Affairs has decided to scrap Morse testing for the Amateur Radio Class 1 and 2 licenses with an effective date of this coming October 1st.

What amounts to Japan's version of a Notice of Proposed Rule Making on the Morse test was held earlier in the year. There were 39 people who responded. Following a discussion of the information the responses provided, the Ministry announced that Morse telegraphy testing would be discontinued.

Japan pioneered the High Frequency No-Code Amateur Radio or Class 4 license in the 1950's although they still required Morse for the higher license classes.

WHO NOW SAYS CELL PHONES MAY CAUSE CANCER

According to the World Health Organization, radiation from cell phones can possibly cause cancer. This as the agency now lists mobile phone as a carcinogenic hazard.

According to published news reports, a team of thirty-one scientists from fourteen nations reached this the decision after reviewing previously reviewed studies on cellular telephone safety. The scientists say that they found enough evidence to categorize personal exposure as possibly carcinogenic to humans.

What that means is they found some proof of increase of two types of brain cancer with mobile phone users, but have not been able to draw conclusions for other types of cancers.

The wireless industry responded to the announcement saying it "does not mean cell phones cause cancer". The Cellular Telecommunications Industry Association added that World Health Organization researchers did not conduct any new research, but rather just reviewed already published studies.

Before its announcement on Tuesday May 31st, the World Health Organization had assured consumers that no adverse health effects from cellular telephones had been established.

The report also did not differentiate between cell phones operating in the 900 MHz band with those at higher frequencies. So your hand-held at 70 cm is most probably very safe!

HF BEACON CALL SIGN CHANGE

The HF beacon ZS4BOT transmitting on 7,027 MHz is changing to ZS0BOT. ICASA contacted ZS4JAN and explained that the original callsign was issued incorrectly. ICASA explained that the call signs of all beacons will be changed to start with ZS0 prefixes.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the Solar activity is expected to be low with a chance for M-class flares through 9 June. Activity is expected to decrease to very low to low levels during 10 - 14 June. During the week numerous C-Class flares took place around Sunspot 1 226, which is changing shapes and sizes. Another sunspot is forming yet again, this time it is located just to the west of Sunspot 1 231. For

those who do their own frequency predictions, the expected effective sunspot number for the week is about 55.

15 m will provide the best opportunities for DX followed by 20 and 30 m and the WARC bands in between, of course.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS 16 June - Transmission of Youth in Amateur Radio at 09:30, but receive beacon signal already on 435,345 MHz at 07:56 and 09:33. 16 June - Youth Day Sprint from 10:00 till 12:00 CAT 18 June - Programming in Windows course in Gauteng. Book at www.sarl.org.za.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 750 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 18:30 CAT on 3 230 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by George, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening, 73.
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========== Message Ends ========== To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp.

548. NZART Headquarters Infoline Issue 231

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-06-05 08:31:44 UTC
From: jamiepye <jamie.pye@pyenet.co.nz>
Message-ID: <GBEFLHAKABNBJEJENPGDKEKMDHAA.jamie.pye@pyenet.co.nz>
Source record: 4538
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Notes From Conference in Upper Hutt
As usual the weekend commenced with a meeting of Council here on Friday morning, the following is a report on business discussed:

Incoming Council members, Warren Harris ZL2AJ, Stephen Hayman ZL1TPH, Simon Lewis ZL4PLM and Terry Thomas ZL4TAE were welcomed. Michael Owen VK3KI, President of Wireless Institute of Australia, and John Longayroux VK3PX, Treasurer of the Wireless Institute of Australia, were invited as special guests.

Next Council elected Vaughan Henderson ZL1TGC as vice-president. Vaughan was elected unopposed.

Following a suggestion from Evan Sayer the Association Treasurer, Council agreed that a review of the current NZART Constitution is to be undertaken. One of the main aims of this review is to gain charitable status and potentially save having to pay tax.

Council formally approved a submission from the Radio Electronics Group granting them NZART Branch status.

Council again thanked Evan Sayer for ensuring the Associations financial audit was completed in a timely and professional manner.

Council resolved that subscriptions for 2012, will remain at $95 for Transmitting/Non-Transmitting individual memberships. Those members who pay their subscriptions before 30 November, will go in a draw to win a dual band hand held radio.

A membership promotion will be undertaken this year, with a further handheld being offered as a prize. Payment for the new members must be received by the 31 December. Council are very conscious of falling membership and

encourage newcomers to the Association and feel a membership drive with the opportunity to win a prize may assist in increasing members to the Association.

More about these special prize draws will be advised in HQ Info-Line once Council has finalised the detail.

Council also wish to emphasise the need for all Branches and members to subscribe to HQ Info-line. This was an initiative by Jim ZL2BHF some years ago and is now scribed by Jamie Pye ZL2NN, as a form of communication to members between the bi-monthly issues of Break In and the monthly NZART Official Broadcast. HQ Info-line is sent via e-mail fortnightly and contains many updates from Council, FMTAG, Awards etc so that members get the most up to date information. To make sure that you receive HQ - Infoline, just complete the details on the NZART webpage.

Saturday morning proceedings commenced promptly at 8:30 am, having confirmed a quorum of 1145 members being represented.

Life Membership Awarded
Following a report from Council, that concluded with a recommendation to the AGM, that ZL2TAR be award Honorary Life membership to NZART, This was received with acclamation by attendees of the AGM.

Chris Hipkins MP For Rimutaka Welcomed All to Upper Hutt
At this time, just prior to morning tea, there was a small adjournment where the Chris Hipkins MP for Rimutaka welcomed everyone to Upper Hutt, followed by Stuart Watchman ZL2TW who gave a very insightful account of his traumatic experience during the 22nd February earthquake in Christchurch, where he was attending a medical conference at the Grand Chancellor Hotel. As usual Stuart was able to make all smile even about such a catastrophic event.

Those in attendance at the AGM from Christchurch, appreciated Stuart's presentation, as it was not only very graphically informative, but typical of how us kiwi's are able to keep going in trying times and keep a sense of humour.

The minutes from the AGM in Auckland were confirmed, then Evan Sayer, the Association Treasurer briefly detailed the annual reports, further emphasising a need to review our Constitution in order to gain charitable status. Evan also reminded those present that in 1998, the Association was operating with a deficit of over $200,000, however now we have reserves of over this amount. He did warn that while this shows that financial difficulties have been overcome, there still remains the need to increase membership.

All officers reports were presented and accepted. The hard working Officers of the Association, who are obviously undertaking their roles with professionalism and effectiveness, are to be thanked as there were no questions from the floor seeking clarification of any reports.

REMITS
Remit discussions commenced, with some very robust discussion. It was great

that so many branches had actively considered each remit, as 4 of the 13 presented, required a count of votes.

The results are as follows:
Remit 1, Carried, on vote count,
Remit 2 Lost on vote count,
Remit 3 Lost on voices
Remit 4 Lost on voices
Remit 5 Lost on voices
Remit 6 Lost on voices

Remit 7, having received an amendment to include 160m, which was passed by the floor, Carried on vote count.

Remit 8 Lost on vote count
Remit 9 Lost on voices
Remit 10 Lost on voices
Remit 11 Lost on voices
Remit 12 - withdrawn
Remit 13 - withdrawn

Throughout the remit discussions, some presentations of awards were made, to break the intensity of the meeting.

Arthur Godfrey ZL1HV Branch Award
The recipients of the Arthur Godfrey ZL1HV Branch Award were:

Neil Gibbons ZL2TNG, Maurie Vile ZL2ADP both from Upper Hutt branch, Paul (Jono) Jonassen ZL1UP Hamilton branch, Topsy Scott ZL2LS Nelson branch and Maurice McNab ZL3MEM from Christchurch West Branch.

Branches who have taken time to submit these very worthy nominees for consideration are thanked and the opportunity to reward and publicly recognise the efforts of their members is very timely.

The citations for these awards will be appear in the August issue of Break In.

Rothschild Cup
North Shore Branch received the Rothschild Cup this year, with a total of 13 successful candidates passing their amateur radio examination in 2010.

Next Conference
Letitia (Topsy) Scott, took the floor, inviting all to attend the annual conference in Nelson next year. Topsy and the Branch President Paul ZL2CQ have considerable plans underway for what promises to be a very entertaining and fun event.

New Award
This year, from a Nelson branch initiative and sponsorship, a new award was introduced, to recognise a 100% pass mark (that's 60/60 result) in their examination, in the year preceding conference, for amateurs not otherwise eligible in the Best Examination/Youth Achievement Award. There were three recipients of this award for 2010, Suzette James ZL2SGC, Nelson Branch,

Jonathan MacKenzie ZL3JDM, Christchurch Branch and Murray Smith ZL2MJS Lower Hutt branch. Well done to you all.

The Best Examination Result
The Best Examination result went to Thomas Fellows ZL3PSG aged 16 for a pass of 55/60.

There were no nominations for Young Amateur of the Year award, therefore Nelson Sound, who have offered to sponsor this in future years, generously agreed to offer it to our Best Examination result recipient. Congratulations Thomas on receiving a dual band hand held.

General Business
The meeting proceeded to general business with a motion being put from ZL3BM: "That a vote of No Confidence be placed on all current Councillors". This was seconded by ZL2TDD but was lost on voices.

Stephen Cooper ZL2WAU of Tararua Branch asked branches to look through their archives for any amateur radio videos or DVD's here in New Zealand, that can be used on their Tararua Regional TV station which will soon also be broadcast on other Regional TV stations.

Finally it was announced that this year's very worthy recipient of the Amateur of the year Award, was David Searle ZL3DWS for the tremendous results he achieved in his Buildathon projects. David has recently moved from Christchurch for obvious reasons to Bondi in Australia.

David was contacted later in the evening by Terry Carrell ZL3QL. Terry reported David was overwhelmed at the recognition of his work and has asked that this message of his thanks be sent to you all.

Warm fraternal greetings from North Bondi Sydney.

I was greatly surprised, yet proud, to learn that I had become NZART Amateur of the Year.

Proud, because it acknowledges the success achieved by so many Canterbury radio amateurs and beyond, with the ZL3 Radio Buildathon project.

Hundreds of Canterbury kids now know what amateur radio is, and which end of a hot soldering iron to grab to build a simple radio!

So does mum and dad, school friends and all the others who would listen to a kid so proud that his or her first radio really works!

If we each share our enthusiasm for a great hobby with just one young person, their interest in radio, communicating and electronics could last a life time.

When you return to your branch, wouldn't it be great to hold just one event each year when you invite the local kids, parents, anybody; to build something with your members.

It's fun, it builds community and it could spark an interest that lasts a life time.

73's - have a great evening and a most successful conference.

David ZL3DWS / VK2DWS"

Hasn't taken David long to get himself a VK call sign! Many thanks to David, you are missed.

KORDIA
As was mentioned in the May Official Broadcast, we have had some very excellent news that KORDIA will not be charging NZART for the rental on their sites, for the next 5 years. Although we have yet to confirm this in a formal contract, Vaughan Henderson ZL1TGC and Otago Branch 30 are to be heartily congratulated for their by no means small involvement in bringing this about. Thanks to you all.

WIA President Michael Owen VK3KI Spoke to The Meeting
The WIA President Michael Owen VK3KI spoke to the meeting, informing all of the events of the Wireless Institute of Australia in the past year. Michael is very keen to promote VK attendance at the NZART conference weekend and encourages ZL hams to do the same in Australia.

Stirrers Award
The final order of the day was to appoint the stirrers award...this year the recipient was Topsy ZL2LS for appearing in her very skimpy red night attire and almost causing the President to return to smoking, having received such a shock.

The meeting concluded at 2:59pm followed immediately by the AREC forum.

AREC Forum
The forum commenced with a presentation from Geoff Chapman ZL3PX on AREC's involvement in the Christchurch earthquake.

Matthew Lloyd then gave a presentation on his role with the Red Cross telecom response unit.

Then Jeff announced their new National Training Officer, who is Brian Purdie ZL2ADL.

Richard ZL1BNQ gave a brief overview on the old training modular system AREC have used in the past, with a view of modernizing it.

Finally Bill Olsen ZL4AE, gave a presentation on his 6 week trip with Red Cross to Tunisia.

IARU
Running concurrently was a forum by the IARU committee, who are busy preparing budgets to submit to Council for delegates to attend the WRC conference in Geneva in 2012 and the IARU Region 3 triennial Conference in Ho Chi Minh City 2012.

Saturday Evening
The evening commenced with a wonderful talk from guest speaker Ian Johnstone, known for his presentation of the original Crimewatch series and various radio and TV broadcasts.

After a sumptuous meal, we could dance the night away with a rock and roll band featuring songs from the 50's, 60's and 70's.

Sunday
Sunday morning saw a little more precipitation than was expected, however the usual AGM's and forums were not deterred.

WARO AGM
At the WARO AGM Margaret ZL1MB was re-elected as President, Cathy ZL2ADK was elected Vice President, Lynnette ZL1LL Secretary and Janet ZL1JAN Treasurer.

Topsy ZL2LS won the Thelma Souper Memorial Contest, with Sharon ZL2BQ second and Catherine VK4GH third.

The OM section went to Bill cousins ZL2AYZ.

SPAM and OTC
The SPAM and OTC AGM's were also held on Sunday morning , with no change in either.

AMSAT - ZL AGM
25 members attended the AGM, chaired by President Terry Carrell ZL3QL - there were no changes to the committee. Kiwisat progress is now very near completion hardware wise and software is progressing well.

Kiwisat Update
Over 45 members attended the Kiwisat forum. Ian ZL1AOX ran a presentation which included a short video by Fred Kennedy ZL1BYP on the clean room at Massey University in Albany showing the almost complete Kiwisat.

Ian then introduced via Skype, Clayton Gumbrell VK1TKA in Canberra Australia, who described the software development - a first at an NZART conference.

Terry Osborne ZL2BAC completed the presentation showing his progress with the Ground Station Telemetry decoding software.

Other forums
Included in the Sunday afternoon programmes were forums on Police Digital Radio by ZL2FY, STSP Repeater Build by ZL2TW, Voice Over Internet Protocol by ZL2UDF, VHF/UHF by ZL4PLM, APRS by ZL2MAX, PIXIE 11 - JOTA Construction Project by ZL1TGC, and D-Star by Eddie Ross from ICOM.

Sunday evening is to be entertainment by Don Wilson whose claim to fame was the song BIG NORM back in the 1970's.

Upper Hutt Branch
Finally thanks goes to the Upper Hutt Branch for putting on another excellent annual conference.

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FMTAG Notes For HQ Infoline-231
Outage of Web-Based MED Services
Members will now be aware that all of the MED's web-based services were offline on the 18th, 19th and part of the 20th of May.

The impact on the Amateur Radio Service was relatively minor: repeater licence applications could not be processed during the outage.

However, the same problem that affected the Callsign list, provided by the MED for Call Book, has re-appeared: all of the Temporary Callsigns that have expired in the last two years are displayed as if they are still current.

We await an updated report from the MED.

Final Recommendations
NZART Council, at its face-to-face meeting on 3rd June, approved the following applications, which can now proceed to licensing by the MED.

1.. Branch 63 Upper Hutt has applied to add the D-STAR DV digital mode to, and change the location of, its Mount Climie 860 repeater. The new location will be Topo50 map reference BP32 798.83 423.94. An Engineering Evaluation, in accordance with the MED's Radio Licence Certification Rules (PIB38), shows that the repeater's transmit frequency can remain on 438.600 MHz and the receive frequency can remain on 433.600 MHz, and that there will be no interference to other stations.
2.. Branch 74 Wellington VHF has applied to increase the power of, and add the P25 digital mode to its 6625 repeater located at Hawkins Hill, Topo50 map reference BQ31 449.78 236.89. An Engineering Evaluation, in accordance with the MED's Radio Licence Certification Rules (PIB38), shows that the repeater's transmit frequency can remain on 146.625 MHz and the receive frequency can remain on 146.025 MHz, and that there will be no interference to other stations.
3.. Branch 74 Wellington VHF has applied for a 32 cm repeater located at Colonial Knob, Topo50 map reference BP31 513.58 426.16. FMTAG has chosen a repeater transmit frequency of 927.800 MHz and a receive frequency of 921.200 MHz. An Engineering Evaluation, in accordance with the MED's Radio Licence Certification Rules (PIB38), shows that there will be no interference to other stations.
4.. Branch 74 Wellington VHF has applied for a 6 m repeater located at Colonial Knob, Topo50 map reference BP31 513.58 426.16. FMTAG has chosen a repeater transmit frequency of 53.750 MHz and a receive frequency of 52.750 MHz. An Engineering Evaluation, in accordance with the MED's Radio Licence Certification Rules (PIB38), shows that there will be no interference to other stations.
5.. Branch 85 Mercury Bay has applied for a National System repeater located at Opito Bay, Topo50 map reference BA35 513.81 313.73. FMTAG has chosen a repeater transmit frequency of 434.800 MHz and a receive frequency of 439.800 MHz. An Engineering Evaluation, in accordance with the MED's Radio Licence Certification Rules (PIB38), shows that there will be no interference to other stations.
6.. Branch 85 Mercury Bay has applied for a National System UHF Linking Station (ULS) located at Opito Bay, Topo50 map reference BA35 513.81 313.73, to link to Mt Edgecumbe. The link transmit frequency will be 434.975 MHz and the receive frequency will be 439.975 MHz. An Engineering Evaluation, in accordance with the MED's Radio Licence Certification Rules (PIB38), shows that there will be no interference to other stations.
Comments and Applications

Please send your comments and suggestions on the above matters and recommendations, and on any other FMTAG matters, by e-mail to: fmtag@nzart.org.nz

Applications for repeaters, beacons, digipeaters, point-to-point links, and so on, should be made on the latest version of FMTAG Form 10. The latest versions of FMTAG Form 10, and the explanatory Form 10A, are available on the NZART web site:
http://www.nzart.org.nz/nzart/fmtag/

Completed forms should be sent by e-mail to fmtag@nzart.org.nz

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Interesting Links From John ZL1GWE
Amateurs Assist American Red Cross
Served Agencies After Joplin Storm:
from The ARRL Letter on May 26, 2011

Website: http://www.arrl.org/

Radio Amateurs Assist American Red Cross, Served Agencies After Joplin Storm:

On Sunday, May 22 at 5:41 PM, the single deadliest twister in almost 60 years -- and the second major tornado disaster in less than a month -- swept through the southwestern Missouri city of Joplin, slamming straight into St John's Regional Medical Center. The tornado killed at least 117 people. As soon as the storm cleared, area Amateur Radio operators responded to requests from the American Red Cross and local hospitals to provide communications support.

http://www.eham.net/articles/26108

FEMA Administrator Calls Amateur Radio
ï¿½The Last Line of Defenseï¿½
In an FCC forum on earthquake communications preparedness, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Administrator Craig Fugate described the Amateur Radio operator as ï¿½the ultimate backup, the originators of what we call social media.ï¿½ The forum-- held May 3 at FCC Headquarters in Washington, DC -- brought together officials from the White House, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), the United States Geological Survey (USGS), FEMA, the FCC and the private sector. Fugate and FCC Bureau of Public Safety and Homeland Security Chief Jamie Barnett gave the opening remarks.

http://www.arrl.org/news/fema-administrator-calls-amateur-radio-the-last-line-of-defense

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Contest News
VHF/UHF/SHF Contest
VHF++ Hibernation Contest (1st SAT JUN 2nd if Conf) 11/12-JUN-2011

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Housekeeping
1.. Break-In-Closing Date Reminder: Copy for the JULY/AUGUST issue of
Break-In-closes on 10-JULY-2011
2.. Copy for Break-In: Copy is welcome in most electronic formats but
word.doc files are preferred. Photos and other graphics should be send as
separate discrete files (*.jpg preferred); not as embedded pix in the body
of the text. Please ensure that suitable descriptive captions/legends are
included with your copy.
All received copy will be acknowledged to confirm receipt.
Thank you for your cooperation.
John Walker ZL3IB Editor.
3.. Break-In: Early receipt of copy is much appreciated
4.. Break-In-AREC Column: The close-of-copy date is the 03-JULY-2011 for
articles for publication in the AREC COLUMN OF BREAK-IN. Photos, if
available, to be on a separate floppy or CD (with captions), posted DIRECTLY
TO US. Use Call Book address. All other material can go to e-mail:
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Service and to others that subscribe through the NZART Website at:
http://www.nzart.org.nz/join/e-mail-lists/join-infoline-list/

Regards, Jamie Pye ZL2NN, Editor zl2nn@nzart.org.nz

549. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 5th June 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-06-05 20:00:16 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20110605200003.9AE5833C69@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4539
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 5th June 2011

HF Newsreaders Sought

Additional HF newsreaders are being sought to share the workload of Se&#65533;n EI7CD and Ger EI4GXB, especially as the summer months are approaching. It is hoped that a panel of newsreaders can be established nationwide thus making the workload easier for all concerned, and allowing the HF news to be broadcast from different locations around the country.

If you are interested in joining the panel please contact Ger McNamara EI4GXB at ei4gxb/at/gmail/dot/com or on 087 2532512

Licence Examination

You will have the opportunity to sit your amateur radio licence examination within the next few weeks.

The next exam will be held on Thursday, 7 July, at 2.00 p.m. in the ComReg offices in Dublin. The closing date for receipt of applications to sit this exam is Wednesday 22 June. Full details including entry procedure and examination fee are available at www.irts.ie/exam or just click on the 'Licence Exam' button on the IRTS webpage.

Blarney Castle Activation

North Cork Radio Group, using their Club Callsign, EI1NC/P, will be activating Blarney Castle over the June Bank holiday Weekend 4th 5th and 6th of June 2011.

For more details see www.cashota-ire.org

Oxburgh Hall Activation

Bittern DX Group will be activating Oxburgh Hall as GB2OH from the 16th June till the 19th June.

Oxburgh Hall, Norfolk was built in 1482 by the Bedingfield family, who still live in parts of the house but the property now maintained by the National Trust. Sir Edmund Bedingfeld was granted a license of castellation by Edward IV, he built this medieval, moated manor house as a glorious status symbol, romantically adorned in the nature of a castle. More information can be found at the Bittern DX website or www.cashota.co.uk

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North Cork Radio Group

The North Cork Radio Group would also like to inform listeners that Lisa EI9GSB now transmits the IRTS weekly news bulletin on Tuesday evenings at 8pm on the Duhallow Repeater, EI7SMR. The output freq is 430.925 MHz with the input on 438.525 MHz (+7.6 MHz offset), a CTCSS tone of 103.5 Hz is required. Reports are welcome via the call-in directly after the news transmission, SWL reports can be e-mailed to news at ei1nc.com or via our Facebook page.

South Dublin Radio Club

Following the sucessful kit soldering last week, this Tuesday 7th of June the radio club will be demonstrating how to receive the new TV service "Saorview"

Members and visitors will get to see a live off-air demonstration of the Saorview TV service as well as an explanation of the various ways to receive the new channels. There will be a quick discussion on the technology used and the various ways to combine Saorview and UK freeview with hard disk recording.

Visitors are always welcome

Directions are on the club website: http://www.southdublinradioclub.ie

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Introduction to Amateur Radio

The Mayo Radio Experimenters Network are holding a series of practical hands on open days throughout the summer months. The events will start at 13.00 approx (weather permitting) and will take place on the following dates: Sunday June 12th Sunday July 10th Sunday August 14th Sunday September 11th

Anyone with an interest in radio related matters, who would like to have the opportunity to participate or observe the operation of an amateur radio station, or meet club members, will receive a warm welcome. Whatever you're level of interest, the club will be pleased to help in taking your interest further, be it a complete novice, shortwave listener or formal assistance in progressing to a full amateur radio licence.

The location for all events will be the car park at the Halfway House on the Castlebar to Westport Road. If you would like further details please contact: Padraic Baynes EI9JA on 0876957154 (email pbaynes1/at/eircom/dot/net) , email David Hatfield EI3ECB on ei3ecb/at/gmail/dot/com or text or phone the club mobile phone number 086 20 89 777

South Eastern Amateur Radio Group

For the fourth successive year, South Eastern Amateur Radio Group participated in the Geopark Communications weekend using the callsign EI2GEO from Tankardstown, Co. Waterford on the Copper Coast Geopark.

The Copper Coast gets its name from the 19th Century copper mines that were once predominant in the area. The Copper Coast consists of 25 kilometres of spectacular coastline. Oceans, volcanoes, deserts and ice sheets all combined to create the rocks, which provide the physical foundation of the natural and cultural landscapes of the Copper Coast. The Copper Coast is an outdoor geology museum with geological heritage that reflects a variety of environments under which the area has evolved over the last 460 million years. Sedimentary and volcanic rocks illustrate the closure of the Iapetus Ocean, the resulting volcanic activity, evidence of the collision of two continents leading to the creation of Ireland and finally the effects of glaciation from the Ice Age. Cross-sections of these are exposed on the many spectacular cliffs along the Co. Waterford coastline.

For radio amateurs and SWLs around the world who contact or hear Geopark stations, the English Riviera Geopark is offering a special commemorative European Geoparks Network radio amateur certificate for contacts with GB6GEO (instant qualifier), or two Geopark stations excluding GB6GEO. (this award will also apply to SWL's on a heard basis). For information on awards, contact Martin Foster G3VOF (details are on QRZ.com).

SEARG would like to thank everyone that contacted or participated in EI2GEO over the weekend. It's been a very successful Geoparks Communications Weekend with many QSOs worked (both SSB and Phone) despite the bad band conditions on HF. It was an added bonus that the ATV link worked so well. A live link from the Geopark with cameras mounted both inside and outside the 'shack' were fed to the local ATV repeater on 23 cms and a Ustream feed was available on the Internet. Special thanks to Jim Farrell (EI8IG) who provided the camper van (and the home-brew beer) and of course Paula McCarthy from the Copper Coast Geopark management for facilitating and supporting us over the past few years.

SEARG are looking forward to next years event!

DX News

The visit of Pope Benedict to Croatia has resulted in the issuing of a special callsign to commemorate the event. Prefix hunters will be glad to work 9A16PB which is on the air until 13 June. QSL info is via 9A2MF.

John K9EL will be active from the Caribbean island of Saint Martin as FS/K9EL from 7 - 19 June. He will use CW, SSB and some RTTY on all bands 80 - 6m during his stay there. QSLs go via the home call and logs will be uploaded to Logbook of the World.

For those who still need Bonaire on 6m now is the time to look for PJ4E which will be operated by W0SD, W0OE and PJ4NX until 19 June. There will also be some activity on the HF bands with the emphasis on RTTY.

Dave W5CW is back in the Turks and Caicos Islands and has been very active as VP5/W5CW on all bands 160 - 6m. He remains there until 14 June and QSLs go to the home call.

The Japan A1 Club is celebrating the 200th Anniversary of the birth of Samuel Morse by airing the call 8J1MORSE until the end of 2011. Calls from other areas of Japan to look for are 8J1MORSE/2, 8J1MORSE/3 etc. Not surprisingly CW will be the preferred mode.

Planned DXpedition to the Island of Navassa

Official authorization has been granted by CONATEL, the communications regulator for Haiti to use the call sign "HH0N". Radio Club D'Haiti, can now use the call sign "HH0N" during the month of January 2012.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

550. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1013

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-06-05 21:35:13 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <964709.82652.qm@smtp106.sbc.mail.gq1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 4540
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1013
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The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
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BID: $OPDX.1013
June 6, 2011
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, K1XN & GoList, NJ1Q, NG3K & ADXO, N4AA & QRZ DX, N4JF, W5FJG, KH6BZF, WB6RSE, K8GI, K8YSE, W8GEX (60m News), K9EL, 4J5T, AT International, CO8ZZ, DL1SBF, DL7MAE & The DX News Letter, DxCoffee.com, DX-World.Net, F5NQL, F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX, G1VDP, I1HYW, I1JQJ/IK1ADH & 425 DX News, OH2BH, OH2BN, OZ6OM & 50 MHz DX News, Pete's-DX-Newsdesk, RSGB IOTA Web Site, VA3RJ & ICPO, VHF-DX-Portal (MMMonVHF), VK2HV, VK4FW and VU2PTT for the following DX information.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 29th-May, through Sunday, 5th-June there were 227 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C5, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, CY0, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH4, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ7, PY, PY0T, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T32, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VK9C, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZD9, ZF, ZK1/s, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3D2, FIJI. Operator Bill/VK4FW and Eddie/VK4AN are expected to be active as 3D2T and 3D2A (prior to the C21AA Nauru DXpedition - see C2 below), from Nadi between October 24th and November 9th. No details of their activities (bands/modes) on the island were not provided. However, it

was mentioned that they will participate in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th), possibly as Single-Ops or Multi-Op (category was not provided). QSL 3D2T via VK4FW and 3D2A via VK4AN.

3D2/R, ROTUMA (Update/Change). South Korean operators Choi/HL5FUA and Yoon/6K2GCW will be active as 3D2CJ from Rotuma (OC-060) during sometime in September (not between June 17-24th, as first announced). Activity will be on 80-6 meters (no 160m) using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via HL5FUA, direct or by the Bureau. For more details and updates, see: http://www.dxpedition.co.kr/rotuma_2011/index.html

4J, AZERBAIJAN. Mac, JA3USA, will be in Azerbaijan between June 6-10th. He was assigned the callsign 4JA3USA. Activity will be on the HF bands, mainly SSB. QSL via his home callsign.

8J1, JAPAN. Members of the Japan A1 Club will activate the following special callsign until December 31st: 8J1MORSE, 8J1MORSE/2, 8J1MORSE/3, ...etc, according to the district from which they are active from. Activity is to celebrate 220th anniversary of Samuel Morse's birthday. Operations will be mainly CW, with some SSB (to explain the novices how to join the CW community). Some special awards are also available too. QSL by the Bureau or direct (SAE+IRC) to:
8J1MORSE, 1-14-1-11-B Yoshino, Higashi-ku, Nagoya, 461-0027, JAPAN.
Logs will be uploaded to LoTW as well. For more detail, the English rules and information are available at:
http://8j1morse.a1tokai.net -or- http://8j1morse.blogspot.com

AH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Toru, JI3QBQ, will be active as AJ2L/AH0 from Saipan Island (OC-086, USI NI002S, WLOTA 1333), Northern Mariana Islands, between June 11-14th. Activity will be on the HF bands. QSL via JI3QBQ.

C2, NAURU (Update). Excerpts from a "C21AA Nauru DXpedition" #2 press release dated June 4th, states members of Pacific DXers are pleased to announce that 6 operators will be active as C21AA from Nauru between November 10th and December 6th, with 3 complete stations on HF as well as a dedicated 6m station. The confirmed team so far consist of Art/NJ7N, Tim/NL8F, Eddie/VK4AN, Bill/VK4FW and 2 more operators to be announced later. The press release also states, "Nauru is currently ranked at 44 on the world wide wanted list, 31 in most of EU and 19 on the wanted Digital mode list." The team fully intends to operate on CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31, and on all bands 160-6 meters. For logistical reasons, all equipment will be taken on same flight as 'excess baggage'. QSLs will be managed by Pacific DXers, with the task going to Bill, VK4FW. QSLing is available three ways..... direct, by the Bureau or online with Paypal 'postage' support. To request a QSL, and choice/pick the method you want to use, go to: http://www.vk4fw.com/oqrs.php
While each individual operator is responsible for their own personal expenses including air flights, accommodations, food etc..... they are seeking support to help offset other costs, such as the large excess baggage charge, hotel room just for the radio equipment, QSL printing, QSL postage for Bureau cards, phone calls associated with planning, purchase of consumables and, most important of all... the donation of

some equipment to native Nauruan hams! A special Paypal account has
been set up for support at: dxpedition@westnet.com.au (Just add
your callsign/name and any comments in the 'comment/message' box.)
All donors will be listed on the Web site, which is still 'under con-
struction', so the following link doesn't work yet:
http://C21.pacific-dxers.com/supporters.html [unless anonymity preferred]
PLEASE NOTE: A special memento will be sent to donors who support them
with 50 USDs or more. These donors will be listed on the QSL card.
Organizations that provide support will have their logo and link placed
on the Web page as well as their logo on the QSL Card [unless anonymity
preferred].

E4, PALESTINE. Peri, HB9IQB, has been granted a license by the Ministry
of Telecommunications & Technology in Ramallah, and plans to be active
as E4/HB9IQB around the second and third week of December 2011. Activity
has been granted for 160-10 meters, using 100 watts and operations on
CW, SSB and the Digital modes. Peri states, "I will probably concentrate
on CW and the WARC bands, depending on W6/7 and JA openings. Low band
not planned. The rig is an Elecraft K2/100 ATU powered by an Alinco PS
DM-330; Scheunemann paddle, Heil Pro Set 4, Microham periphery and Note-
book. I will be using DX Wire masts and wires for vertical dipoles and
verticals." QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct (w/SASE
and 2 USDs or 1 new IRC. Log will be uploaded to LoTW one month after
the operation. For more details and updates, watch:
http://www.hb9iqb.ch/palestine.html#Op

ET, ETHIOPIA. The Ethiopian Amateur Radio Society (EARS) club station,
ET3AA, is once again active and on the air as of May 30th. According to
the IARU Region 1 Web page <http://www.iaru-r1.org>, " Professor Doctor
Heiko Schroeder, Head of the Technical Faculty of the University of Addis
Ababa and Hans Blondeel Timmerman, President of IARU Region 1 cut the
ribbon" to reopen the new shack. This is all thanks to donations from
the organization "STARS" and others individuals that helped to revive
ET3AA.An effort led by Sid, ET3SID, the EARS club installed their shack
and built antennas on top of the roof of the Technical Faculty at the
University of Addis Ababa. The station now has a 17 element 6-30 MHz
log-periodic antenna. EARS hopes that by the end of July they will have
more than 25 club members to take the Radio Amateur Exam. To read the
complete story, go to: http://www.iaru-r1.org

FS, FRENCH ST. MARTIN (Postponed!). John, K9EL, who was expected to be
active from French St. Martin this coming week (see OPDX.1012), informed
OPDX of the following on June 4th: "A few days ago I developed chest
pains and on Friday I underwent an operation to install three stents in
arteries around my heart. As a result, I am not able to travel to FS,
Saint Martin, and PJ7 as planned on June 6th. I will advise if I am
able to re-schedule for later in the month."

FW, WALLIS & FUTUNA. Laci, HA0NAR, and two other operators will be active
as FW0R from Uvea Island (aka Wallis, OC-054, DIFO FW-001, WLOTA 0389,
WW Loc. AH16VS) next year (2012) between Janaury 25th and February 23rd.

Operations will be from Vailala village (Hihifo district). They plan to have two stations on the air with amps operating on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Focus will be on the lower bands, especially 160/80/40/30 meters using Spider (18m) verticals. A week long side trip will be also organized to Futuna Island (OC-118, DIFO FW-017, WW Loc. AH05WQ) for the IOTA hunters in early February. The team also plans to take part in the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 18-19th). For more info/updates and an online logsearch, see the Web page at: http://www.ha0nar.hu

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-051. Operators Mike/KM9D and Jan/KF4TUG are currently anchored in Pulau Singa Besar, Langkawi, Malaysia. Mike has been on the air as 9M2/KM9D. Activity has been on 30/17/15 meters CW. Length of stay is not known. QSL via OM2SA.

AS-137. Operators Pan/BD4QH, Zhiqun/BD4QK, Xinrong/BD4QR, Yun/BH4QBV, Zhixin/BH4QBZ, BH4QDT, BH4QGH and BH4QGR will be active as BY4QA/5 from the Island of Tantou Shan between June 30th and July 3rd. Activity will on the HF bands using SSB as the main mode but will also operate some CW. The team will use an IC-7000 and FT-450 into a Cushcraft R8 and A3DX (3 Bands/3 element Yagi). QSL via BD4QK, direct or by the Bureau.

AS-160. Operators Fan/BA1RB, Zhao/BD1UUK, David/VO1AU, Zhang/BD1BYV, Wang/BA1AAX, Chenxi/BD1WC, BD1VF, Wei/BD1QXU, Vange/BA7IO, Jack/BA4ALC, Chen/BA7CK, Dale/BA4TB, Zheng/BA4EG, Qui/BA7NO, Zhou/BD4SX, Rumei/BD7LMD and Paul/BA7JS will be active as BY1RX/4 from the Island of Fu Rong between July 2-9th. Activity will be on all bands and modes. QSL via BA4TB, direct or by the Bureau.

AS-191. (POSTPONED!) Operators Bert/DK6IR/7Z1IR and Hamdi/7Z1TT, who were expected to activate Marzok Island (for the first time ever) in the Red Sea Coast Centre (Al Madinah/Makkah Province) Group this past weekend, had to postponed their activation until possibly this coming weekend, June 10-12th. QSL via DK6IR.

EU-008. Operators Nick/G0HIK, Norman/G7MRL, Dave/G3VUS and Ivan/G3IZD will be active as GM0HIK and GM3IZD from the Isle of Islay (IOSA NH22, SCOTIA CS25, WLOTA 1826) between June 25th and July 1st. Look for GM0HIK to be active on the 50/70/144 and 432 bands, skeds via KST. Look for GM3IZD to be active on the HF bands. QSL both callsigns via the RSGB Bureau or direct via the address on QRZ.com.

EU-016. Csaba, DH7KU, will be active as 9A/DH7KU from Brac Island (ACIA IC-657, CIA-04, IOCA CI-010, MIA MC-042, WLOTA 0416) between August 21st and September 2nd. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands. Csaba will also activate Ciovo Island (NOT IOTA, ACIA IC-620, CIA-07, IOCA CI-013) during his stay on Brac. QSL via his home callsign, direct

or by the Bureau. For updates and more details, see the
Web site at: http://www.mydarc.de/dh7ku

EU-038. Alex, DL1KD, will be active as PA/DL1KD from Texel Island
(WLOTA 0043) between June 6-20th. Activity will be on the
HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign, direct
or by the Bureau.

EU-038. Alex, IZ4AMS, will be active as PA/IZ4AMS from Texel Island
(WLOTA 0043) between August 14-17th. Activity will be holiday
style on the HF bands. QSL via his home callsign, by the
Bureau or direct.

EU-125. A group of German Scouts will once again be active as OZ1RDP
from Romo Island (DIA NS-001, Grid Loc. JO45) between June
10-14th. Activity will be on SSB and BPSK31, mainly on
80/40/30/20 meters, and on 2 meters JT65. QSL via DL9BCP,
direct or by the Bureau.

EU-127. Alex, IZ4AMS, will be active as DL/homecall from Helgoland
Island (DID N-014, WLOTA 0518) between August 11-13th.
Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands. QSL via
his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct.

EU-165. An Italian group will be active as IM0P from San Pietro Island,
Sardinia, between July 23rd and August 1st. Activity will be
on all bands and modes. The team also plans to participate in
the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st). Operators mentioned are
Stefano/IS0ANU, Paolo/IS0BGL, Carlo/IS0JOO, Nicolangelo/IS0BMU,
Franco/IS0EUJ, Giorgio/IZ3KVD, Vittorio/I1BUP, Amaele/I1IZB,
Clay/IZ1DNJ, Dan/I5OYY and Simone/IK5RUN.

EU-170. Csaba, DH7KU, will be active as 9A/DH7KU from Pag Island
(ACIA IC-188, CIA-32, IOCA CI-082, MIA MC-282, WLOTA 1796)
between June 12-22nd. Activity will be holiday syle 40/20
meters using CW. QSL via DH7KU, direct or by the Bureau.
For updates and more details, see the Web site at:
http://www.mydarc.de/dh7ku

EU-174. Laci, HA0NAR, will be active again as SX8R from Thassos Island,
Greece, between July 25th and August 1st. His activity will
include the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st). Before the contest
he will be active on all HF bands (160-6m) using CW, SSB and
RTTY, plus 6 meters. He plans to use vertical antennas. QSL via
his home callsign, by the HA Bureau or direct.

OC-187. Kan, KU2F, will be active as KU2F/VK4 from Lizard Island
between July 18-21st. Activity will be holiday style on 40-10
meters using CW and SSB. QSL via JE1SCF.

KH2, GUAM. Toru, JI3QBQ, is now active as AJ2L/KH2 from Guam (OC-026)
until June 7th. Activity has been 40/17/15/12 meters CW. QSL via JI3QBQ
only (not via AJ2L).

KH4, MIDWAY ISLAND (Update). Joe, KH4/W5FJG, reports this past week that they are in the final stages of getting all the required approvals to operate year round from Midway Atoll. He expects to hear something in the next week or two. Joe also announced that Dick, N7RO, will be the QSL Manager for his activity. A few equipment donations are being sent to Joe for his station. He reports that a much needed 12VDC power supply is on its way as well as a R-5 vertical antenna. Right now Joe is using one IC-7000, but only a 12 Amp DC power supply, so his output power is limited to about 35/40 watts. His activity has been mainly on 20 meters SSB around 14307 kHz. On June 3rd, Joe reported that he has received the R-5 antenna, and it is now installed. He states that he has been on 15 meters SSB.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (June 6-12th)....
Jun 06 HN SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS
Jun 07 HN --------------------
Jun 08 AN BN - Below Normal
Jun 09 AN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Jun 10 AN LN - Low Normal
Jun 11 HN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Jun 12 HN DIS - Disturbed
VDIS - Very Disturbed

GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

MC0, WALES (IOTA Op). The Strumblehead DX & Contest Group will once again be activating Ramsey Island (EU-124) using the club callsign MC0SHL for their annual mini trip/holiday between June 9-13th. The difference this year is the operation will be more relaxed and on air for fun rather than for any contest, although over the weekend of June 11-12th, there is the WFF activity weekend with the island having the designated site of GWFF-072 (see http://www.m0oxo.com and the WFF area on Charles Web page). The guys will be on all bands from 80-6 meters, using 2 FT1000MP MkV's and a K3. They will also be taking amplifiers for each band and will also have the facilities for RTTY this year. Antennas will consist of 2 home-brew Hexbeams, built by Ant (MW0JZE), verticals for 80/40/30m (again home made by Ant and the team). All details of the island and previous activations by the group are on their Web site at:
http://www.mc0shl.com
All QSL requests go through their manager Tim, M0URX, with OQRS facilities on his Web site at: http://www.m0urx.com
All logs will be uploaded to LoTW and Clublog (http://www.clublog.org), either during the trip if they can get a reliable internet connection or immediately after they get back to the mainland and the farm.

PG6, THE NETHERLANDS (Special Event). Look for special event station PG6N to be active during the "Coastal Week" (Week van de Zee) starting

on Saturday, June 11th, and ending on "Kids Day" Saturday, June 18th.
Activity will from the Noordwijk Lighthouse Station (ARLS NET019). They
plan to be on the HF bands as well as 6 and 2 meters because of the
Es-period. PLEASE QSL via the Bureau. For more details see:
http://www.qrz.com/db/PG6N --or-- http://pg6n.jouwweb.nl/english
Also, join their Facebook page at:
http://www.facebook.com/home.php?sk&#65533;oup_173489109367097

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated May 29th and June 3rd)

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4L/UT5EO via UT5EO EF7X via EA7GYS NP4Z via N4AO
5B/HA5PP via HA5PP EF8AUZ via EC8AUZ OE/DL4CW/P via
G6XOU
5B4AIA via UA6MF EG5DDV via EA5RKB OK8YM via DL5YM
5R8KS via IZ8IYX EG7FAS via EA4FAS OZ2SPACE via OZ7AKT
9A/DO6SR via DO6SR EG8DDC via EA8RKL PC11AMBER via
PA0FAW
9A4AS via DO6SR EG8FAS via EA4FAS PJ4/K4BAI via K4BAI
9A16PB via 9A2MF EG8GOM via EA8DO SD7V/2 via DL2VFR
9H3UT via DL9GDB EG8LPM via EA8DO SM6/EA2TW via EA2TW
AM0MFA via EA7URM EG8LZT via EA8DO SN0AK via SP7PFD
AO6CHI via EA6SB EG8TFE via EA8DO SN0G via SP5PRF
CQ3A via CT3KN EH7DFA via EA7DA SX1L via DL1JCZ
(Bureau)
CR5WFF via CT1EJB EN5ZOO via UT5ZY SX8V via SV1JG
CR6K via CT1ILT FM/R5GA via R5GA TF8SM via NI5DX
CS2C via OK1RF GX4HRC/A via G3SVK TI7/N5BEK via N5BEK
CT9/DJ2YE via DJ2YE HG7T via HA7TM TJ9EM via HB9TYH
CT9/DJ9IE via DJ9IE II1IFF via IZ1POA TM6JUN via F5NKX
CT9/DK3QZ via DK3QZ II9T via IT9ESW TM6X via F5VHY
CT9/DL1XW via DL1XW IP7U via IK7JWY (direct) TO8A via R5GA
D73A via HL1IWD IR2ITA via I-Bureau UP0L via DL8KAC
DK150RB via DL1SBF (Bureau) IR9Y via IT9ABY V84SGR via V8MVE
EA9/G3TXF via G3TXF KH4/W5FJG via N7RO YV9AA via YV5AJ
ED3T via EA3AKY KP2/AA1TR via OK1CZ Z21LS via DE1ZHB
EF5F via EA5FQ KP2/OK1FUA via OK1FUA Z330F via Z33F
EF5K via EA5KB KP4MS via W4DN ZX5J via AI4U
EF5Y via EA5GTQ (LoTW) LA/DL2LRT via DL2LRT
EF7R via EA7AJR LZ2HM/BY7PP via BD7IXG

QSL A5 (that is the whole callsign) via JH1AJT. Activity was by Zorro,
JH1AJT, in Thimpu, Bhutan, during the CQWW WPX CW Contest last weekend.

QSL STATUS/LOTW FOR VU4PB. A press release (#9) by Prasad, VU2PTT,
dated June 2nd, states: "QSL status and LoTW uploads for VU4PB is
now on the website at:
http://arsi.info/dxpeditions/vu4pb-mar-2011/113-press-release-9
We have received many online requests for QSLs and our QSL Manager Joe,

W3HNK, as always has been efficiently handling these as well as the direct requests for QSLs that he has been getting. Joe has reported that he has already completed most of the direct and OQRS requests. OQRS requests for QSLs via bureau will also be addressed shortly. We are thankful for the support of all our donors and by end of June we hope to be able to upload our log to ARRL LoTW for members of clubs who supported us as well as for individual donors. We will now initiate the collection of member lists from those clubs - lists can be sent to <webmaster@arsi.info>. As mentioned before the expedition the rest of the LoTW uploads will definitely happen before March 2012."

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: EX8AB, ZS9Z/1

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 4S7BRG, 7X2BK, 7Z1TT, A61BK, A71BU, AH0/AB2RF, CE9/VE3LYC, E74A, J28RO, J5NAR, J88DR, JX9NOA, LU8EEM, N0TG/CY0, OA4/DL5YWM, P29NI, PJ4/K4IQJ, SV1UT, T6JC, T88AA, TG9AHM, V73NJ, V73NS, V85TL, VP2MMM, VP5/NY6X, VP8ORK, VP9/AA1AC, VP9/W6PH, VU4PB, YI1RZ, YI9NS,YT1E, Z21BB, ZB3R, ZS2DL and ZS8M

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: NONE REPORTED THIS WEEK!

S9, SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE. Operators Matt/K0KKO and Ed/K0GUV will be active from Ilheu das Rolas (AF-023), Sao Tome, using the callsigns of S92DX, S9CW and S9SX, between October 21-27th. Activity will be on the HF bands and 6 meters. They plan to have two 6 meter stations on the air (50.105/SSB and 50.105.7/CW). No other details were provided. For updates, watch: http://www.k0kko.net/pb/wp_5bd6e10c/wp_5bd6e10c.html

SOUTH SUDAN DXCC STATUS (by Martti Laine, OH2BH). A press release sent out by Jarmo, OH2BN, dated June 2nd, states: "With great anticipation, DXers the world over are looking forward to the 9th of July this year as the predicted day of South Sudan's declaration of independence. Indeed, that declaration is set to happen, but it will not yet guarantee the birth of a new DXCC entity, at least at that time. The DXCC rules are written in such a way that only a new country's membership in the United Nations and/or its ITU country prefix will result in the anticipated DXCC counter. The U.S. State Department Geographer's list of Dependencies and Areas of Special Sovereignty obviously does not apply in this case.
The opinion from the ARRL is that no exceptions will be made in this case. They state that the event date - i.e. declaration of independence - will not cause potential QSOs to be counted retroactively. Rather, Newington categorically assumes that U.N. membership, which will most likely come first, followed by the release of an ITU prefix by the U.N. telecommunications agency, will lead to country status.
The prospect of a new country has taken an unexpected turn just recently. The country's borderline has never been settled between North and South Sudan in the area (Abyei) where most of the oil reserves are located. It was agreed under the 2005 Peace Agreement that the border issue will be resolved by the people in that province. A referendum to settle the matter has not happened. Instead, the North (ST2) has entered the disputed province with force. Additionally, the North has stated that they will not support an independent State in the south unless the contested region

is theirs. The matter now remains totally in limbo.
<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-13560829>
While the amateur radio project announced earlier this year by 5Z4DZ, ST2AR, W3UR and OH2BH is well underway, it is not yet reasonable to swing your antennas toward South Sudan, as we speak. The project has two well-known DXers now permanently based in South Sudan: SM7PKK and YI1DZ/ST2DZ. The knowledge and the professional presence are in place to proceed with an immediate activation as soon as the above country status matters are resolved......More news to follow."

T48, CUBA (Rare 6m Grid). Members of the Federaci&#65533;n de Radioaficionados de Cuba&#65533;s in Las Tunas, eastern Cuba, will be active on 6 meter from the Grid Square FL10MW, during the next "ARRL June VHF QSO Party" (June 11-13th) using the contest callsign T48K as a "limited multi-operator" entry. This will be the very first time in the history that a ham radio station transmits from this particular square on this band. Operators will be Carlos/CO8CML, Douglas/CO8DM, Ernesto/CM8GJ and Ra&#65533;l/CO8ZZ and will use an Yaesu FT 857 running into a five elements yagi from F9FT.
QSL via DK1WI.

TM6, FRANCE (Special Event). Look for special event station TM6JUN to be active until June 15th. Activity is to commemorate "D-Day" (June 6, 1944) in Normandy. Operations will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via F5SAZ, direct or by the Bureau.

UT1, UKRAINE ("Berestetskaya Battle - 360 years Award"). The members of the Rivne youth radio club - "Rivne DX Club" and the management of the "National Historical and Memorial Preserve Golf Berestetskaya Battle", have now made a new award/diploma available. The award/diploma called "Berestetskaya Battle 360 years" was founded in memory of the battle, which took place in 1651 between the Ukrainian troops B. Khmelnitsky and the Polish army under John Casimir near Berestechko. To fulfill the terms of the award/diploma "Berestetskaya battle 360 years", it is necessary to work UT1KWA between June 20th and December 31st (2011) or UT1KWA/p from the territory of the "National Historical and Memorial Preserve" in any mode on any amateur bands between June 20-26th (2011). The award is issued electronically and in paper form.
1. For stations in Ukraine a free digital certificate is issued as the result of a two-way radio contact with UT1KWA or UT1KWA /p. (At the request of Ukrainian applicant, you may obtain a paper certificate in the Ukraine by sending the director/manager of the award 5 UAH for postage to send the diploma in the mail with your return address).

2. For stations around the world a free electronic certificate is issued. Applicants should send an E-mail to the manager of the diploma at ut1kwa@mail.ru with QSO data with UT1KWA or UT1KWA/p and a name (optional name) to send the diploma (paper diplomas from Ukraine are not given). The award manager: "RIVNE DX CLUB" UT1KWA, P.O.Box 85, Rivne, 33027, Ukraine.

Watch the following Web page for details at: http://radio-rivne.rv.ua

V6, MICRONESIA. Aaron, W6ANM, will be active as V63FAA from Kosrae (OC-059) between July 26-29th, and Pohnpei (OC-010) between July 30th and August 4th. Activity will be focused on 40 and 20 meters using CW and SSB. A contact can be scheduled via the E-mail address on QRZ.com for any HF band. QSL via LoTW or direct to W6ANM (please include SASE).

VK9L, LORD HOWE ISLAND. Chris, VK3FY, is expected/likely to be on Lord Howe Island (OC-004) for a work assignment sometime during 2011, dates TBA. He will only be able to operate during the week and most likely evenings, as work will take precedence. Modes most likely are to be CW, SSB and some RTTY. QSL via VK3HF.

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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:

Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�lp>

Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�bscribe>

Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�subscribe>

OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):

http://www.papays.com/opdx.html

ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:

http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html

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551. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.amateur.*

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-06-07 06:05:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/recruitment-1-1307426700@panix.com>
Source record: 4541
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/recruitment
Revision: 1.2 2009/11/25 14:41:01
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/

Changes followed by "|".

The rec.radio.info newsgroup, first established in 1993, has been
recently revived by an active moderation team. We are currently seeking
suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.amateur.* (and currently archived
at http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/ ):

radio/personal-intro
Subject: Guide to the rec.radio Newsgroups
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 9 Nov 2001 06:18:17 GMT
Posting-Frequency: 15th of each month

One significant omission, requiring immediate updates, for this article |
is that it does not mention newer amateur radio newsgroups created since |
it was written, including: |

rec.radio.amateur.antenna |
rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors |
rec.radio.amateur.dx |
rec.radio.amateur.equipment |
rec.radio.amateur.homebrew |
rec.radio.amateur.moderated |
rec.radio.amateur.space |

We are willing to provide any technical support necessary to get this
article updated and automatically posted again at a regular interval.
This would include establishing contact with the original maintainer for
any necessary permissions. We would prefer to seek a new, dedicated
maintainer at this time, rather than start auto-posting the original
article ourselves.

For more information about our newsgroup, see:
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http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

552. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.swap

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-06-07 06:10:00 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/swap/recruitment-1-1307427000@panix.com>
Source record: 4542
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/swap/recruitment
Revision: 1.1 2007/09/29 18:42:57
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide

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bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.swap (and currently archived at
http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide/ ):

radio/swap-guide
Subject: Rec.radio.swap FAQ: A Guide to Buying and Selling on Usenet
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 6 Nov 2001 19:25:51 GMT
Posting-Frequency: Monthly

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Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.
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553. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 30 May - 05 June 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-06-07 21:30:09 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20110607213001.D3B3C33C5F@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4543
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.info

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:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2011 Jun 07 1756 UTC
# Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
# http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
#
# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
30 May - 05 June 2011

Solar activity was at low levels during 30 May - 04 June with
C-class flares from Regions 1226 (S21, L = 037, class/area Eki/360
on 29 May) and 1227 (S19, L = 022, class/area Dsi/190 on 31 May). A
C3/2n flare at 02/0746 UTC from Region 1227 was associated with an
Earth-directed partial-halo CME.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
high levels from 30 May - 04 June and returned to normal levels on
05 June.

Geomagnetic field activity ranged from quiet to major storm levels
during the period. Activity was at quiet to active levels during 30
May - 01 June as CH HSS effects persisted. A CME passage occurred on
01 June which caused a brief period of active levels. Activity
decreased to quiet to unsettled levels on 02 June as CH HSS effects
subsided. Quiet levels occurred during 03 - 04 June. A geomagnetic
sudden impulse (SI) occurred at 04/2045 UTC (54 nT, Boulder USGS
magnetometer) associated with the CME observed on 02 June and was
followed by active to minor storm conditions on 05 June with major
storm conditions observed at high latitudes.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
08 June - 04 July 2011

Solar activity is expected to be at low levels throughout the period
with a chance for an isolated M-class flare from Region 1226 until
it departs the west limb on 10 June.

The greater than 10 MeV and 100 MeV proton flux at geosynchronous
orbit are expected to be above alert threshold levels through 11
June due to a fast moving halo coronal mass ejection (CME) observed
early on 07 June. A return to background levels is expected on 12
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June and is expected to stay below threshold for the remainder of the period.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at high levels from 08 - 15 June due to the effects from both the 02 June CME and the 07 June CME. Normal to moderate levels are expected to return until 27 June following a recurrent coronal hole high speed stream.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be at quiet to unsettled levels during 08 June as coronal hole high speed stream (CH HSS) effects begin to wane. Active to major storm conditions are expected on 09 June due to the effects of the halo CME observed on 07 June. Activity is expected to decrease to unsettled to active levels during 10 - 12 June due to residual effects of the CME and another CH HSS. Activity is expected to decrease to mostly quiet levels on 13 June as CH HSS effects subside. Quiet levels are expected during 14 - 22 June. Quiet to unsettled levels are expected from 23 - 26 June due to another recurrent CH HSS. A return to quiet conditions is expected on 27 June as the effects of the CH HSS subside.

554. [DXNL] DXNL 1731 (Jun 8, 2011)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-06-08 10:24:59 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <113183254140.20110608122145@dxhf.darc.de>
Source record: 4544
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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ET - ETHIOPIA
Hans Blondeel Timmerman, president of the IARU Region 1, and
Heiko Schroeder, head of the Technical Faculty of the University of
Addis Abeba, re-opened the clubstation ET3AA of the Ethiopian amateur
radio society (EARS) on May 30. Sid,ET3SID, put much labour in the new
shack and built many new antennas on the roof of the university.
A more detailed report can be read at: http://www.iaru-r1.org

GJ - JERSEY, EU-013 / GU - GUERNSEY, EU-114
YL Silvia,EA1AP, and OM Alberto,EA1SA, are going to activate the
Channel Islands Jersey (EU-013) and Guernsey (EU-114) from Jun 12-21.
They will sign MJ/EA1AP and MJ/EA1SA from Jersey until Jun 17 and then
MU/EA1AP and MU/EA1SA on Guernsey from Jun 17-21. They will work in
CW/SSB/RTTY on 80m-6m and want to join the IARU 50 MHz Contest also.
The preferred frequencies of Silvia and Alberto are:
CW: 3504, 7004, 10104, 18074, 21024, 24894, 28024, 50103 kHz
SSB: 3780, 7056/7180, 14195, 18145, 21295, 24945, 28495, 50120 kHz
RTTY: 3580, 7035, 10140, 14080, 18100, 21080, 24920, 28080 kHz
QSLs via bureau, direct or LoTW to their homecalls.
More information is at: http://www.gdgdxc.net/channel_islands/index.php

JW - SVALBARD, EU-026
Roar,LA1EOA, will be active as JW1EOA in SSB on HF from Longyearbyen
on Spitsbergen (EU-026/WLOTA 0125) from Jun 10-15. His preferred QRGs
are 7138, 14220, 18125, 21280, 28480 and 50160 kHz.
QSLs via bureau or direct to his homecall.
You can visit his homepage at: http://la1eoa.wordpress.com

KH0 - NORTHERN MARIAN ISLANDS, OC-086
Toru,JI3QBQ, plans to hit the airwaves on all bands signing AJ2L/AH0
from Saipan (OC-086, USI NI002S, WLOTA 1333) from Jun 11-14.
QSL cards should be sent via JARL bureau or direct to JI3QBQ.

V2 - ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA, NA-100
The "Midwest 6 Meter DX Group" members Dave,W9DR (V25DR),
Tom,W9AEB (V25TP), and Dave,K9UK (V25DD), are working "holiday style"
from Antigua (NA-100) from Jun 14-28. Of course, main emphasis will be
put on 6m (50.115 MHz) by V25DR but the other OMs will be QRV also in
CW/SSB/PSK on 80m-10m. QSLs via homecalls. For more information check:
http://www.6meterdxgroup.com/Antigua_DXpedition.html

VP2M - MONTSERRAT, NA-103
John,KB4CRT, will be on Montserrat (NA-103, WLOTA 1475) from Jun 8-18.
He will sign VP2MRT on 40m-2m. QSLs direct or via LoTW to his homecall.

VP9 - BERMUDA ISLANDS, NA-005
Doug,KF4VTT is going to visit VP9GE on Bermuda (NA-005) from Jun 10-17.
He will be QRV as KF4VTT/VP9 in SSB, CW, RTTY and maybe also in PSK31
on 160m-6m. First of all this is a holiday with his XYL, so this is
not a pure DXpedition. QSLs via bureau, direct or LoTW to his homecall.
More information at: http://home.mebtel.net/~kf4vtt/vp9/VP9.htm

YN - NICARAGUA
W5MJ (YN2MJ) and W5PR (YN2PR) will show up from Nicaragua between
Jun 9 and Jun 13. While YN2MJ tries to work Europe mainly on 80m/160m
YN2PR plans to work on 6m and in the ARRL VHF QSO Party.

4J - AZERBAIJAN
Mac,JA3USA, is staying in Azerbaijan from Jun 6-10 and has been spotted
as 4JA3USA from Baku. This is very convenient for him since he only has
to put the number "4" before his homecall. QSLs for 4JA3USA via JA3USA.

9M2 - WESTERN MALAYSIA, AS-051
The two globetrotters Mike,KM9D, and Jan,KF4TUG, are anchoring in
Pulau Singa Besar on Langkawi (AS-051) at the moment and already hit
the bands as 9M2/KM9D. Nothing is known about the length of their stay.
QSL direct via OM2SA.

JAPAN, SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS
The Japanese are celebrating the 200th birthday of Samuel Morse with
several special event stations which are activated until Dec 31. The
calls 8J1MORSE, 8J1MORSE/2, 8J1MORSE/3, etc. (one from each call area)
will be activated mainly in telegraphy of course, but also in SSB to
train some newcomers. All QSL cards should be sent via the JARL bureau
(QSOs will be confirmed automatically) or direct to 8J1MORSE,
1-14-1-11-B Yoshino, Higashi-ku, Nagoya, 461-0027, Japan.
They issue some free awards as well.
More details can be found at: http://8j1morse.a1tokai.net/en

THE NETHERLANDS, SPECIAL EVENT STATION
PG6N is a special event station is operated from the lighthouse
Noordwijk (ARLS NET-019) during the "Coast week" (Week van de Zee)
from Jun 11-18, including the "Kids Day". Operation takes place on HF,
6m and 2m (maybe also DX via Sporadic-E).
You can find more information at: http://pg6n.jouwweb.nl/english

WFF operation: The "Bila Tserkva Radio Club" will be active as EM0UBC
from the "Oleksandriia Dendrological Park" (URFF-91) from Jun 9-12.
QSL via UR4UXD. A free award can be requested via e-mail: bcrc@ukr.net

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de
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More information about the "KIDS Day" on Jun 18 at the technical museum
in Bad Ischl can be found at: http://adl504.kilu.de/cms/?q=node/160
They will activate the special callsign OE5KIND on HF and VHF.

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Jun 11-16: CW WWSA Contest (see: http://www.wwsatest.org)
Jun 11/12: DRCG Long Distance Contest
Jun 11: Portugal Day Contest
Jun 11: Asia Pacific Sprint Contest

IOTA collected by Ric,DL2VFR (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
EU-010, GM, Outer Hebrides: GM0BUX/p will be QRV in SSB, CW and PSK31 on HF
from North Uist from Jun 12-17. QSL via G0BUX (bureau/direct).

EU-070, F, Provence-Cote D'Azur (Var) Region group: Nine Germans are going
to activate Porquerolles island on the French Mediterranean coast from
Jun 11-18. They will sign F/homecalls in all modes on all bands.
QSLs via bureau or direct to their homecalls.

EU-124, GM, Welsh Coastal Islands: The "Strumblehead DX & Contest Group"
will be QRV from Ramsey Island from Jun 9-13. MC0SHL will work with
three stations in SSB and RTTY on 80m-6m. They also plan to take part
in the WFF GreenDay weekend (Jun 11/12). QSL via M0URX (bureau/direct).
Their website can be found at: http://www.mc0shl.com

EU-129, DL, Usedom: From time to time DL2RU/p will show up from Usedom
from Jun 12-17. He will also visit Ruden (EU-057, DID/GIA-011) for
one day. He prefers to work on 7028, 10122, 14040/14044 and 18086 kHz.
QSL via DL2RU (bureau/direct).

DL/RU5A and DL/SP5VYI will be QRV from Usedom also starting on Jun 10.
QSLs via homecalls (bureau/direct).

EU-132, SP, Szczecin/Koszalin Province group: SO5UM/1, SP5BUJ/1, SP5VYI/1,
SP5X/1, SQ5AWR/1 and SQ5Q/1 are working from Wolling from Jun 8-13.
They plan to use two or three stations in SSB, CW and maybe also
digital modes. Listen for SN0WFF during the GreenDays.
QSL for SN0WFF via SP5X, SO5UM/1 via RU5A and all others via homecalls.

EU-170, 9A, Dalmatia North Group: 9A/DH7KU will be QRV in CW on 20m and 40m
from Pag Island from Jun 12-22. QSL via DH7KU (bureau/direct).

Postponed and cancelled activities:

D9K did not show up from AS-084 as planned. They now plan to activate
Anmyon (AS-080) as D9K or DS1OYR/3, DS4NYE/3, HL1OYF/3 and HL1VAU/3.

The very first activation of the IOTA group AS-191 (Marzok) by 7Z1IR
and 7Z1TT was postponed for one week. However, the IOTA committee
already set a "green light" for the activity from Marzok.

Lighthouse activities (WLOTA/ARLHS/ILLW)

I1UWF/p LH Capo dell'Arma ARLHS ITA-013 Jun 11

IOTA at the HAMRADIO fair in Friedrichshafen:

The IOTA Forum will take place on Saturday, Jun 25, at 10:00 am.
This is the agenda:
- IOTA 50th Anniversary Marathon plus lectures about
- PW6C, Coroa Vermelha Island, SA-062
- EG5CI, Columbretes Islands, EU-069
- OX/DL's from Tasiilaq Island, NA-151
The IOTA meeting was moved from Saturday to Friday evening 19:00 and will
be held in the restaurant of the VFB stadium in the Teuringer street no 2.

Bandspots of the last 7 days

30m
HB0/IZ3ESV 10.121 2136Z via IZ3ESV (B)
LA/DL2LRT 10.109 0518Z EU-055, via DL2LRT (B)
LA/DL2RNS 10.103 0505Z EU-044, via DL2RNS (B)
M1EYP/p 10.118 0618Z SOTA G-SP 015 (B)
OK1HAG/p 10.118 0600Z SOTA, Nr. ?? (B)
UR5IZA/p 10.113 0430Z URFF-090
9M2/KM9D 10.119 1635Z OC-058, via OM2SA (d)

20m
KK1W 14.059 1625Z SOTA W1/CR-013
LA/DL2RNS 14.040 1255Z EU-044, via DL2RNS (B)
OH9/DL2RNS 14.010 0615Z FF-18, via DL2RNS (B)
SV9/HB9LCA 14.141 1838Z
TM0Z 14.016 1350Z EU-105, via F5EOT (B)
TO8A 14.010 1810Z via R5GA (B), (L)
9V1YC 14.035 1806Z via W5UE (B), (L)

17m
HB0/IZ3ESV 18.080 1059Z via IZ3ESV (B)

15m
D2QV 21.005 1531Z via UT0EA (B), (L)
EN5ZOO 21.012 1551Z via UT5ZY (B)
J79FCG 21.026 1655Z via K1TO (B)
VP5/W5CW 21.010 1750Z via W5CW (d)
3V8SS 21.025 1623Z

5R8KS 21.295 1631Z AF-057, via IZ8IYX (B)
6W/RK4FG 21.005 1305Z
9M2CNC 21.041 1620Z via G4ZFE (B), (L)
9V1YC 21.023 1642Z via W5UE (B), (L)

12m
CE2/VE7SV 24.892 1712Z via VE7SV (d), (L)

10m
FM/R5GA 28.011 1634Z via R5GA (B), (L)
PJ4/K4BAI 28.012 1630Z via K4BAI (B)
4T100MP 28.493 2151Z via OA4O (B)

6m
CN8IG 50.105 1947Z via EA7FTR
CN8SG 50.152 2048Z via EA7FTR
CS0RCL/p 50.133 2048Z via EA7AH (B)
CU1EZ 50.115 1856Z (d)
EA5ER 50.187 1932Z (B)
EA6SX 50.150 2022Z (d)
EA7BZ 50.142 1943Z
EA7HGH 50.099 2037Z (B)
EA7JDR 50.124 1939Z (d), eQSL
EB7DX 50.155 2103Z (d)
EI4II 50.097 2029Z
F/DF3FS 50.092 2023Z
G4RRA 50.089 2019Z (B)
IK8YDP 50.156 2100Z
SV1JMO 50.175 1935Z (B), (L)
TR8CA 50.102 1739Z via F6CBC (d)
YO5BEU 50.095 0755Z
YO5BEU 50.144 0833Z
9H1XT 50.081 2050Z via 9H1BT (d)

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(L) = LoTW
(r) = bureau QSL via e-mail request

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

23May-08Jun 3W2N 1728
-Dec 3Y8XSA 1700/1717
06Jun-10Jun 4JA3USA 1731 *
-25Oct 5B50J 1700
-08Jun 5X1VJ 1721
-Apr/12 5Z4RH ? 1674
This week 7Z1IR & 7Z1TT 1731 *
-31Dec 8J1MORSE.. 1731 *
-31Dec 9A11P 1723

28May-13Jun 9A16PB 1730
12Jun-22Jun 9A/DH7KU 1731 *
-Sep 9J2KK 1682
NOW 9M2/KM9D 1731 *
-Jul 9M2/RA9LR 1727
SOON 9Q1EK 1669
-Nov 9Q6CC 1699

-Aug A92IO 1663
11Jun-14Jun AJ2L/KH0 1731 *
-31Dec BP100 1684
-31Dec BV100 1684
31May-20Jun CN2RN 1730
-31Dec CW5RV 1711
12Jun-17Jun DL2RU/p 1731 *
-31Aug DL20Y2DM 1700
22May-12Jun DL/HB9SVT 1728
10Jun DL/RU5A.. 1731 *
09Jun-12Jun EM0UBC 1731 *
11Jun-18Jun F/DJ2VO.. 1731 *
-Aug FO8RZ 1636
-Jul/12 FR8NE 1710
07Jun-19Jun FS/K9EL 1730

12Jun-17Jun GM0BUX/p 1731 *
-31Dec HB60LU 1711
-31Dec HG15IPA 1724
01Jan-31Dec HG200LST 1708
-30Jun HG2011A 1713
01Jan-31Dec IA7MM 1708
01Jan-31Dec II1ITA.. 1708
01Mar-30Sep IO4UI 1717
-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul/12 J28RO 1683
10Jun-15Jun JW1EOA 1731 *
10Jun-17Jun KF4VTT/VP9 1731 *
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
-May/12 KH4/W5FJG 1728
POSTPONED KH5 1674/1705

-31Dec LA200D 1713
-31Dec LZ85R 1721
09Jun-13Jun MC0SHL 1731 *
12Jun-17Jun MJ/EA1AP.. 1731 *
05Jun-10Jun MS0RSD 1730
17Jun-21Jun MU/EA1AP.. 1731 *
May &Aug OL100VP 1721
Jun OL1911VP 1721
Apr &Jul OL2011VP 1721
22May-12Jun OZ/DG9SEH 1728
22May-17Jun OZ/DL4VM 1729

-Sep P29CW 1713
01Jan-31Dec PA30.. 1708
06Jun-20Jun PA/DL1KD 1730
11Jun-18Jun PG6N 1731 *
04Jun-19Jun PJ4E 1730
-Jun PP0T 1725

-Dec RI1ANC 1708
08Jun-13Jun SO5UM/1.. 1731 *
01May-31Jul SQ100MSC 1725
-Jul T6TL 1695/1727
01Jun-15Jun TM6JUN 1730
09Jul/10Jul TM90LH 1727
14Jun-28Jun V25TP.. 1731 *
19May-Jul V31XB 1728
-Mar/12 VK0KEV (Macq) 1700/1701
-Jun VK0M/ZL4DB/p 1725
08Jun-18Jun VP2MRT 1731 *
-14Jun VP5/W5CW 1730
May -Aug W3CVD/4 1726
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
NOW XT2RJA 1712
09Jun-13Jun YN2MJ & YN2PR 1731 *
-Sep ZD9GI 1691
-31Dec ZL50GH 1711

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

AM0MFA via EA7URM (B)
AO6CHI via EA6SB (B)
CQ3A via CT3KN (B)
CR5WFF via CT1EJB (B)
CR6K via CT1ILT
CS2C via OK1RF
CT9/DJ2YE via DJ2YE (B)
CT9/DJ9IE via DJ9IE (B)
CT9/DK3QZ via DK3QZ (B)
CT9/DL1XW via DL1XW (B)
D73A via HL1IWD (B)
DK150RB via DL1SBF (B)
EA9/G3TXF via G3TXF (B)
ED3T via EA3AKY
EF5F via EA5FQ (B), (L)
EF5K via EA5KB (B)
EF5Y via EA5GTQ (L), (d)
EF7R via EA7AJR (B)
EF7X via EA7GYS
EF8AUZ via EC8AUZ

EG5DDV via EA5RKB (B)
EG7FAS via EA4FAS (B)
EG8DDC via EA8RKL
EG8FAS via EA4FAS (B)
EG8GOM via EA8DO (B)
EG8LPM via EA8DO (B)
EG8LZT via EA8DO (B)
EG8TFE via EA8DO (B)
EH3FCB via EA3LD (B)
EH7DFA via EA7DA
EN5ZOO via UT5ZY (B)
FM/R5GA via R5GA (B), (L)
GR3YBY via G3YBY (B), (L)
GR3YPZ via G3YPZ
GR3YXJ via GM3YXJ
GR3YYD via G3YYD (B)
GR3ZDH via GM3ZDH
GR3ZGC via G3ZGC
GR4AAM via GI4AAM
GR4AZM via KD4QFT
GR4BDJ via GM4BDJ
GR4BKG via G4BKG (B), (L), eQSL
GR4BKG via GW4BKG (B), (L), eQSL
GR4BDJ via GM4BDJ
GR4CQZ via GW4CQZ
GR4CXM via GM4CXM
GR4DBX via G4DBX (B), (L), eQSL
GR4DHW via GI4DHW
GR4BKG via GW4BKG (B), (L), eQSL
GR4BLE via GW4BLE (d), (L), eQSL
GR4BLI via G4BLI (B)
GR4BLO via GM4BLO (B)
GR4CAU via GM4CAU
GR4CFS via GM4CFS (d), (L), eQSL
GR4CMI via GM4CMI
GR4KQU via G4KQU (B)
GR4LIM via G4LIM
GR4LMW via G4LMW (B)
GR4LYM via G4LXU
GR4NKB via GI4NKB (B)
GR4NOK via M0WBH
GR4NRZ via G4NRZ (B), eQSL
GR4NSZ via GM4NSZ
GR4NXG via G4NXG (B), (L)
GR4OBB via G4OBB
GR4OGO via GW4OGO
GR4OTV via G4OTV (B)
GR4OWG via G4OWG
GR4RCG via M0OXO (B), (L), eQSL
GR4RRA via G4RRA (B)

GR4SOF via G4SOF (B)
GR4SQM via GM4SQM
GR4SUE via GW4SUE
GR4SZT via G4SZT
GR4TRA via G4TRA (B)
GR4UZN via G4UZN (B)
GR4VII via G4VII (B)
KH4/W5FJG via N7RO (B)
KP2/OK1FUA via OK1FUA
4L/UT5EO via UT5EO
4M1W via IT9DAA (d), YV1FM (B), (L)
5B4AIA via UA6MF
5B/HA5PP via HA5PP
5R8KS via IZ8IYX (B)
9A/DO6SR via DO6SR (B), (L), eQSL
9A16PB via 9A2MF (B), eQSL
9A4AS via DO6SR (B), (L), eQSL
9H3LL via SQ9MLL (d)
9H3UT via DL9GDB (B)

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(*) = new QSL manager
(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) = e-mail request

QSLs arrived direct: AP2MB, BH7PAZ, CE9/PA3EXX & CE9/VE3LYC (VE3LYC),
C4N (W3HNK), FM5BH (W3HNK), OE11M (OE1WHC), PJ4LS,
PJ7MF (IZ1MHY), RK50G, S9DX (DL1RTL), TJ3FC (F5LGE),
TE6U & TE8CH & TE8CI (TI5KD), VP5/W5CW & VQ51V (W5CW),
VP8ORK (VE3XN), VU4PB (W3HNK), V85TL, 9Q50ON (ON4BR)

SOUTH SUDAN DXCC STATUS (by Martti Laine, OH2BH)

With great anticipation, DXers the world over are looking forward to the
9th of July this year as the predicted day of South Sudan's declaration of
independence. Indeed, that declaration is set to happen, but it will not yet
guarantee the birth of a new DXCC entity, at least at that time. The DXCC
rules are written in such a way that only a new country's membership in the
United Nations and/or its ITU country prefix will result in the anticipated
DXCC counter. The U.S. State Department Geographer's list of Dependencies
and Areas of Special Sovereignty obviously does not apply in this case.

The opinion from the ARRL is that no exceptions will be made in this case.
They state that the event date - i.e. declaration of independence - will
not cause potential QSOs to be counted retroactively. Rather, Newington
categorically assumes that U.N. membership, which will most likely come
first, followed by the release of an ITU prefix by the UN telecommunications
agency, will lead to country status.

The prospect of a new country has taken an unexpected turn just recently.
The country's borderline has never been settled between North and South

Sudan in the area (Abyei) where most of the oil reserves are located.
It was agreed under the 2005 Peace Agreement that the border issue will be resolved by the people in that province. A referendum to settle the matter has not happened. Instead, the North (ST2) has entered the disputed province with force. Additionally, the North has stated that they will not support an independent State in the south unless the contested region is theirs. The matter now remains totally in limbo.

While the amateur radio project announced earlier this year by 5Z4DZ, ST2AR, W3UR and OH2BH is well underway, it is not yet reasonable to swing your antennas toward South Sudan, as we speak. The project has two well-known DXers now permanently based in South Sudan: SM7PKK and YI1DZ/ST2DZ. The knowledge and the professional presence are in place to proceed with an immediate activation as soon as the above country status matters are resolved.

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The German PDF version can be found on the DARC homepage at:
http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxmb/2011

Subscribe or unsubscribe to the DXNL mailing list yourself at:
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555. The ARRL Contest Update for June 8, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-06-08 17:03:00 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20110608160547.CB6BD2564D@bmail.arrl.org>
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NEW HF OPERATORS - THINGS TO DO

The upcoming Kids Day event on June 18th is a great way to have some
fun with your kids and introduce them to HF radio. This is just one
week before Field Day, too, so why not get them used to the microphone
and they'll be ready to try out the GOTA station!

BULLETINS

You may have received a newsletter last time in which the too-many
photos were badly placed due to problems with browser versions and
other formatting issues. To see all of the photos and captions, click
on the link at the top of the email that reads "If you are having
trouble reading this issue..." or visit arrl.org/contest-update-issues
<http://arrl.org/contest-update-issues> and click on the link for the
May 25th issue.

BUSTED QSOS

The Luso tower rotator plate pictured is intended to rotate the entire
tower and goes at the bottom. Yikes! (Thanks, Tom N4NW) The plaque
RA3AUU was shown receiving for the P33W team was a CQ WPX plaque, not
the CQ WW. (Thanks, Doug K1DG)

CONTEST SUMMARY
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Complete information for all contests follows the Conversation section

June 11-12

- CWops Monthly Mini-CWT Test (June 8)
- ARRL June VHF QSO Party
- Portugual Day
- WFF Green Days
- World Wide QRP Contest
- DRCG Long Distance Contest--Digital
- Australian Shires Contest
- Asia-Pacific Sprint--Phone
- GACW WWSA CW DX Contest
- REF DDFM Six Meter Contest

June 18-19

- Kid's Day--Phone
- NAQCC Monthly QRP Sprint--CW (June 15)
- SARL Youth Day Sprint--Phone (June 16)
- All-Asian DX Contest--CW
- SMIRK QSO Party
- West Virginia QSO Party
- Feld-Hell 10 Meter Sprint
- WAB 50 MHz Phone

==> NEWS, PRESS RELEASES, AND GENERAL INTEREST

VHF+ contesters will want to congratulate Gene Zimmerman W3ZZ on his years of service as the author of the QST column "The World Above 50 MHz" as Gene announces his retirement <http://www.arrl.org/news/gene-zimmerman-w3zz-to-retire-from-the-world-above-50-mhz>from that duty after the July issue. Gene has been writing the column since 2002 and will no doubt put his new spare time to work on the air and figuring out how to help the W8GP Grid Pirates team stay competitive in the VHF+ contests. Beginning with the August 2011 issue of QST, Jon Jones N0JK, of Wichita, Kansas, will take over the column. Jon is also a familar figure on the VHF+ contest scene and brings a wealth of practical experience to the job. Well done, Mr Z and welcome, Mr J!

Ed W0YK's Muns Vineyard <http://www.munsvineyard.com/> and Don AA5AU's rttycontesting.com <http://rttycontesting.com/> are excited to announce the new 10-Meter RTTY Contest <http://www.rttycontesting.com/the10meterrttycontest.html> to be held for the first time on Sunday, December 4, 2011. rttycontesting.com will sponsor plaques for the winning Single and Multi-op entrants. If you are interested in sponsoring a plaque, such as continental or USA winner, etc, please contact the sponsors directly. Also, the top ten single operators will receive a bottle of Muns Vineyard fine California wine.

The hard-at-work WRTC 2014 <http://www.wrtc2014.org/> leadership team was very visible at multiple events during the recent Dayton Hamvention. As WRTC 2014 Chairman Doug K1DG, says, "We have much to do

in a short time!" Members of the WRTC 2014 organizing committee met with the new WRTC Advisory Council <http://www.arrl.org/news/wrtc-2014-announces-advisory-council-members> members (Tim K3LR, Craig K9CT, and George NR5M), explored equipment options with ham radio vendors, discussed event plans with interested contesters, and did some fund-raising at the Contest Dinner and announcing the winner of the Poisson D'Avril <http://poissondavril.webs.com> donation competition. Keep WRTC on your radar as 2014 will be here before we know it!

While filling out a survey of NIST services <http://www.tf.nist.gov/survey> in support of WWV, Bob N6TV found a handy NIST time widget <http://time.gov/widget.html>, which not only displays accurate time, but conveniently measures your network delay.

Scientists have discovered a species of bacteria that live on caffeine <http://www.scientificamerican.com/blog/post.cfm?id=new-bacteria-lives-on-caffeine-2011-05-24>,
producing carbon dioxide and ammonia. I think I operated with that guy at Field Day one time.

If you were wondering about HF conditions later this week, this story from Space Weather News <http://spaceweather.com>for June 7th should give you a clue. "This morning around 0641 UT, magnetic fields above sunspot complex 1226-1227 became unstable and erupted. The blast produced an M2-class solar flare, an S1-class radiation storm, and a massive CME. A recording of the blast from NASA's Solar Dynamics Observatory ranks as one of the most beautiful and dramatic movies of the SDO era. High-latitude sky watchers in both hemispheres should be alert for auroras during the late hours of June 8th or 9th when a CME from today's eruption could deliver a glancing blow to Earth's magnetic field." Ol' Sol...he's ba-a-a-ck!

The Youth DX Adventure <http://www.qsl.net/n6jrl/> (YDXA) team received a nice surprise at the Dayton Hamvention when the winner of the IC-718 prize donated by Icom America, Frank WB6RMB, asked that the radio be donated in turn to the YDXA for use on their travels. Thank you, Frank! (Thanks, Tim K3LR)

The Contest University <http://www.contestuniversity.com/> presentations "Contesting the Right Way" by Doug K1DG (should be required viewing for anyone submitting a contest log) and Rob NC0B's "Contest Radio Performance" have been posted to the Potomac Valley Contest Club <http://www.pvrc.org/> website under the Recorded Webinars link. (Thanks, Ken K4ZW)

Thanks to the professors at Youth Contest University <http://www.contestuniversity.com/> (YCTU) led by Scott W3TX, along with Ben AK2X, Sarah, AK2D, Mark N5OT and several others. Yuri, VE3DZ and his friend provided Russian translation assistance for the Skype video conference between YCTU and young YL CW hams in Russia thanks to Paul, N0AH. It was exciting to see such awesome enthusiasm from YCTU.

You'll enjoy this neat detective story
<http://www.nxtbook.com/nxtbooks/cmp/eetimes051611/index.php?startid=46>
by Steve Lubbers KE8FP about troubleshooting a moonbounce station. All
contest operators will be able to relate. And the following story about
gravity isn't bad either!

Winner of the ARRL's Rookie Roundup in one of last year's contests,
Anna W0ANT received the Young Ham of the Year Award
<http://www.rockymountaindivision.org/awards.html> in the Rocky
Mountain Division.

Dave W9ZRX <zephd@indy.rr.com> announces that new versions
<http://www.k3lr.com/w9zrx/> of the VHF Super Check Partial (SCP), and
Prefill Databases are now available. The new release is now based on
logs from 2009-2011 only and includes DTA and SCP files to support most
popular logging programs. The Excel format (XLS/XLSX) has been
discontinued but the CSV files can be opened by Excel. The SCP database
contains 10079 call signs and the Prefill 9736. Send Dave your
Cabrillo-formatted files after the ARRL June VHF QSO Party for an
update prior to the CQ WW VHF Contest in July. Dave wishes to thank
John N4XI for his software assistance, as well.

The N1MM team is pleased to announce the release of new, reorganized
documentation for N1MM Logger. The material has been arranged into
three new sections that you will find in the Documents menu of the N1MM
website <http://n1mm.hamdocs.com/tiki-index.php?page=Document+Home>.
The authors of this revised documentation would like to acknowledge the
huge contribution made by Thomas PA1M who wrote and maintained the
original N1MM Logger manual for a decade. (Thanks, Larry K8UT, Pete
N4ZR, and Rich VE3KI)

Try this online certificate service <http://www.ae7q.net/Generate.php>
if you'd like to print out a spiffy version of your hard-won Amateur
Radio license. It's not official, but good enough to show your family
certainly! Or to show all those other hams in your Zip Code
<http://www.ae7q.com/list/CallByZip.php>. (Thanks, John KE7KDQ)

"I just looked under the sofa cushions and there it was..." If you
were wondering where all the missing mass in the Universe went, you can
rest easy because a 22-year-old Australian student solved the problem
<http://www.cosmosmagazine.com/news/4358/aussie-student-find-missing-mass>
over her summer break. I guess it beats the typical summer job! The
best line may be at the conclusion of the story.

In the antique technology news, engineers at the National Museum of
Computing at Bletchley Park, England have succeeded in rebuilding a
Tunny Machine
<http://www.zdnet.co.uk/news/after-hours/2011/05/26/tunny-code-breaker-rebuilt-at-bletchle
y-park-40092902/>.
These were used to decode German messages during World War II and were
destroyed at the end of the war. The team had to reassemble the
documentation from bits and pieces of information and recollections
from the original builders, so now you have a perfect excuse for never

throwing anything away.

Tom West
<http://www.nytimes.com/2011/05/28/business/28west.html?_r=1&hpw>, the shy computer engineer who became an unlikely symbol of high tech to multitudes of general-interest readers as leader of the engineering team portrayed in Tracy Kidder's book "The Soul of a New Machine," died on May 19 at his home in Westport, Mass. He was 71. (Thanks, Trey N5KO)

Jim KI7Y reports that the Williamette Valley DX Club <http://www.wvdxc.org/> (WVDXC) lost one of its oldest members recently - Jim W3CP. Jim was active in contests well into his 90s and had a distinguished career <http://www.nrl.navy.mil/pao/pressRelease.php?Y=2011&R=20-11r> at the Naval Research Labs.

Do you have a Kindle and want to read e-books in other formats such as PDF? Mike VE3EQP reports that several freeware programs such as MobiPocket <http://www.mobipocket.com/> and Calibre <http://calibre-ebook.com>, will convert most ebook formats to work well in the Kindle. Many free ebooks are available on the Web, legally, from The Gutenberg Project and others and Amazon also provides many free books to Kindle users. I find having an engineering dictionary on my Kindle to be very helpful, for example.

We live in a sea of jargon with more being generated every day. Luckily, you can keep up with the latest in this online jargon dictionary <http://www.catb.org/jargon>. For example, you'll be able to make use of the term 'bogosity' <http://www.catb.org/jargon/html/B/bogosity.html>, I'm sure! (Thanks, Matt W0XEU)

Web Site of the Week - There's an intriguing link on the Kansas Section web site <http://ksarrl.org/deeplink/> with the title "Amateur Nirvana! 500 Websites! All Ham links! Nothing but Ham Radio." It's a great resource for web information about our hobby. Thanks to Orlan W0OYH and Kent KB0RWI for compiling these ham radio links. (From the Midwest Division newsletter by Midwest Division Director, Cliff K0CA)

WORD TO THE WISE

In theory, theory and practice are the same. In practice, theory and practice are different - Unknown.

The difference between theory and practice in theory is less than the difference between theory and practice in practice - AD3F.

I don't think anyone has made an EZNEC-to-EZNEC QSO yet. - W7IUV

==> SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

Awesome photos from the Dayton Hamvention have been published by Tom K8CX <http://hamgallery.com/dayton2011/>. More Dayton photos <https://picasaweb.google.com/cx6vm.jorge/DAYTON2011?feat=email#5610263568997355186>

are online from Jorge CX6VM - it was great to meet Jorge with whom we all have many contacts in our logs. (Thanks, Hector XE2K)

The 2011 Hamvention Antenna Forum presentations <http://www.k3lr.com/> from K4IQJ, ON4UN, W8VVG and K9LA have been posted online later thanks to hosting from N5KO and help from K5TR. The TopBand Dinner presentations <http://topbanddinner.com/> on VP8ORK by VE3EJ and low-cost receiving antennas by K3LR are also available for download. (Thanks, Tim K3LR)

The video of Wayne WA6HHQ's presentation of the brand-new Elecraft KX3 <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mbtyRyEEADo> can be found on YouTube. (Thanks, Bob N7XY)

Wow! Take a look at the K7XC 6 meter kilowatt rover <http://k7xc.tripod.com/6mkwrover/index.html> - just in time for this weekend's ARRL June VHF Contest. (Thanks, Paul NG7Z)

The recent 7th District QSO Party (7QP) covers a lot of territory and so does this video by K6BBQ <http://www.codxc.com/new/page.asp?content=dryland7s> about his recumbent bicycle operation! (Thanks, Jim K7WA)

Have you listened to Bob Heil's new Ham Nation podcast <http://twit.tv/hn1> yet? Bob's first guests were Joe Walsh, WB6ACU, and Dave Jennings, WJ6W. The show is produced in cooperation with Leo Laporte of the TWIT (This Week in Tech) Network.

Spurious emissions aren't always a Bad Thing, no matter what Part 97 says. Why, just look at these guys flailing away at the Hamvention Contest Super Suite! The Spurious Emissions Out of the Band <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FhGy6vUZbME>held the crowd in thrall with a "Free to get in, $5 to get out" policy. (Enter "Spurious Emissions Band" into the YouTube search window to find all seven of the videos which were taken by Ken K6LA.)

==> RESULTS AND RECORDS

K8CC from the Mad River Radio Club, K3WW from the Frankford Radio Club and K3LR from North Coast Contesters hosted the pizza party Thursday night. The Potomac Valley Radio Club and Yankee Clipper Contest Club hosted the two weekend pizza parties in the Super Suite <http://contestsupersuite.com/>. 93 Pizzas and 300 QSL wings were consumed over all 4 nights - lots of smiles!

Preliminary Results for the February 2011 NAQP RTTY <http://ncjweb.com/naqprttyprelim.php> are now online. Many new records were set - congratulations! Final published results will be in the July / August 2011 Issue of the National Contest Journal <http://ncjweb.com/>. See you again in NAQP RTTY on July 16th. (Thanks, NAQP RTTY Manager, Mark K6UFO)

If you have questions about submitting logs or the CQ WPX CW contest, you may be able to save some frustration by using the new log submission web page <http://www.cqwpx.com/logcheck/>. It will check your log format and explain any errors that are found. Once you have fixed any errors you can have it submit the log direct to the robot. (Thanks, CQ WPX Director, Randy K5ZD)

Stan EI6DX's contest analyzer has just finished parsing Russian DX Contest (RDXC) logs and results <http://www.ei6dx.com/cqww-contest-analysis/cqww-activity-analyzer/> are now available. Clearly RDXC is gaining a lot of popularity and it is now one of the top three world-wide contests. For example, combined CW and SSB rates of RDXC are higher than those of CQWPX CW for same hours in 2010. For more, check out the online information.

OPERATING TIP

Summertime propagation can be quite different than in the winter and as the northern hemisphere enters the summer months, the southern hemisphere contesters are entering winter. Don't forget to listen for them in ways you hope they listen for you in our winter!

==> TECHNICAL TOPICS AND INFORMATION

A great article on fitting PL-259 connectors to ?" hardline using brass compression fittings includes photos by Henry K4YCR in the June 2011 issue of the Potomac Valley Radio Club's PVRC Newsletter. <http://pvrc.org/Newsletters/jun11.pdf>

Weatherizing a battery <http://w1pns.wordpress.com/2011/05/11/weatherizing-sort-of-a-battery-for-portable-qrp-ops/> for portable operation is covered in this online article by Peter W1PNS. There's more to it than meets the eye.

For re-sealing a fiberglass tube such as for a collinear or whip, conversations from the ham-antennas reflector <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ham-antennas> point to a coating of clear polyurethane varnish rated for exterior use. It's available from your local hardware or paint store in both spray and brush-on form.

Need a table of aluminum tubing sizes <http://www.rfcafe.com/references/general/aluminum-tubing.htm>? The RF Caf? has lots of resources just like that.

Soldering to steel, or nickel or stainless steel is not that difficult if you use the right materials as shown in this video <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NpT_5tN1zYA> by Sigi DG9BFC.

Scott N7SS recommends Maguire's Mirror Glaze Plastic Polish #10 for getting rid of scratches and scuffs in plastic bezels and displays.

Chuck K7QO has a great web page tutorial <http://www.k7qo.net/> on making project enclosures from PCB material. Just right for gadgets and

adaptors and those little bitty things our stations seem so full of. (Thanks, Allen VE3GAM)

Plastic rivets <http://www.itw-fastex.com/rivets.html> - who knew? (Thanks, George K4GVT)

What's killing your WiFi signal? PC Pro <http://www.pcpro.co.uk/features/367672/whats-killing-your-wi-fi> dispels the notion that other WiFi signals are drowning yours out in favor of the same type of RF interference generators <http://www.pcpro.co.uk/features/367681/what-can-get-in-wi-fis-way> that plague hams - wireless video cameras, fish tank heaters, and all manner of other noise emitters. The story also lists some software tools you can use to track and diagnose problems.

Will graphene modulators <http://www.extremetech.com/article2/0,2845,2385134,00.asp> count for digital modes? At these bit rates, the whole CQ WW RTTY contest would be over in about 500 msec!

If you need to fill in gaps in concrete, the usual material is called grout. Outdoors, such as for tower bases, you'll need non-shrinking grout. Hard to find at general hardware stores (don't use the type intended for bathrooms) you might have better luck at a masonry supply house. (Thanks, Steve K7LXC)

Jim K9YC has published a new set of slides <http://www.audiosystemsgroup.com/publish.htm> from his presentations on how to deal with RFI. There's lots of information here as well as his tutorials on ferrites.

Designers of audio and RF switching gear for the ham shack should browse Analog Devices' "Ask The Applications Engineer" series of helpful notes, particularly "Switch and Multiplexer Design Considerations for Hostile Environments <http://www.analog.com/library/analogdialogue/archives/45-05/switch_mux.html>" and "Electromagnetic Interference (EMI) Filtering Reduces Errors in Precision Analog Applications <http://www.analog.com/library/analogdialogue/archives/45-01/EMI_filtering.html>." The ham shack is an environment with plenty of static discharges and lightning pops along with the usual kilowatt-level voltages and currents. A few pennies worth of simple components can save hours of frustrating misbehavior.

While web-crawling in search of information on loopstick antennas, this little bon mot caught my eye - "In a triode, no one can hear you screen."

Technical Web Site of the Week - Roger W3SZ is a mighty busy guy and has developed some very advanced DSP hardware and software <http://www.nitehawk.com/w3sz/hardware.htm> for the SDR station. (From the May 2011 "Cheese Bits" newsletter of the Mt Airy VHF Radio Club <http://www.packratvhf.com/> "Packrats")

==> CONVERSATION

This issue's editorial comes from ARRL Media and Public Relations Manager, Allen Pitts W1AGP. Allen deals with a flood of news on ham radio every day and does his best to make sure the right information gets to the right people. Allen also recognizes that beyond the after-the-fact stories, there are whole audiences out there we need to make aware of ham radio. He's working on a new video project at HQ and I thought the readership would like to know about it. Plus, it might inspire us to do a little outreach of our own. Field Day is coming up and there's no better opportunity! 73, Ward N0AX

When One Wild Idea Breeds Another

There's no doubt that the emergency communication aspect of Amateur Radio is a primary draw when the general population discusses ham activities. That's the one that gets us into the newspapers and on TV and, for better or for worse, brief sound bites and video clips are how most of the population seems to learn about their world these days.

But there is another species of sentient human out there, and it is one that we need to address. These are the people who shun the role of being just another "consumer" (a "sheeple") and want to open the box, tinker with the wiring and see what else they can make of a product. They are the D.I.Y. (Do It Yourself) crowd, the ones that attend Maker Faires <http://makerfaire.com/>, the people that write the apps, not just download them, and have an unquenchable creative sparkle that often causes (literally) sparks. In another era they would be shunned as "nerds," but in today's world the term is "geek" and being a geek is "cool." Muscles and hair alone are not enough anymore. In more and more movies and on TV, it is the geek who McGyver's the solution that saves the day - and the geek is often female!

For the most part they are young(er), bright, literate and genuinely excited in trying something new just for the fun of it. Launch a balloon-camera into near space? Sure! See the kids at K2GXT. Create an electric dress that lights with different colors depending on your mood? Just ask KC2UHB! Want to play with light and see how far one LED of a particular frequency can send a message? K4THZ is your club! There's a whole list of them at WeDoThat-Radio <http://www.wedothat-radio.org/> and this just scratches the surface.

Most already know about Amateur Radio but they are not your "usual" hams. Just as they will take the latest Gee-Whiz electronic box from Best Buy, open it and see what else they can do with it, they do the same with radio. They may not have any interest at all in contesting or in making the DXCC, but they glow with thoughts and dreams of what could be, might be, and how they can use the electromagnetic spectrum to make it happen. And because the Amateur Radio bands are the last frontier where an individual still can try things on their own, even if it fizzles, they are drawn to the Service.

So how do we reach out to them? First and foremost we need to accept and claim them as "hams." Maybe they don't have tribanders on their houses but they're hams in the best sense of the word. Secondly, we need to speak to them in their own way - and that language is by inspiration as one idea seeds another and then another. To do this, the ARRL is creating a special video that will be coming out in the fall of 2011. This successor to "Amateur Radio Today" with Walter Cronkite speaks in a new way to an entirely new audience, the 16 to 26-ish year-old "geek." Along with a supporting group of short (YouTube-size) auxiliary videos, the main video will present several unusual and curious projects that the DIY-hams are doing. No, it's not your grandfather's radio - it's creative radio for creative minds. It's people experimenting in basements and garages just to see if they can make "it." But isn't that where Amateur Radio started?

There will be much more about this in the fall. Stay tuned!

Allen Pitts - W1AGP

==> CONTESTS

8 June through 21 June

An expanded, downloadable version of QST's Contest Corral in PDF format <http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar> is available. Check the sponsor's Web site for information on operating time restrictions and other instructions.

HF CONTESTS

Kid's Day-- Phone, from Jun 18, 1800Z to Jun 18, 2400Z . Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: Name, age, location, favorite color. Rules <http://www.arrl.org/kids-day>

CWops Monthly Mini-CWT Test-- CW, from Jun 8, 1300Z - see Web site. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Frequencies: Multiple operating periods, twice monthly on 2nd and 4th Wed, 18 to 28 kHz above band edge. Exchange: Name and member number or S/P/C. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.cwops.org/onair.html>

Portugual Day-- Phone, CW, from Jun 11, 0000Z to Jun 11, 2400Z . Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RS(T) and serial or district code. Logs due: Sep 1. Rules <http://portugaldaycontest.rep.pt/>

WFF Green Days-- Phone, CW, Digital, from Jun 11, 0000Z to Jun 12, 2359Z . Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RS(T) and WFF number if available. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://wff44.com/en/contest>

World Wide QRP Contest-- Phone, CW, from Jun 11, 0000Z to Jun 19, 2400Z . Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50-432. Exchange: RS(T). Logs due: Jul 11. Rules <http://en.jaqrp.org/>

DRCG Long Distance Contest-- Digital, from Jun 11, 0000Z -- see Web site. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Frequencies: Multiple operating periods. Exchange: RST, CQ Zone, and UTC time. Logs due: Aug 1. Rules

<http://www.drcg.de/>

Australian Shires Contest-- Phone, CW, from Jun 11, 0600Z to Jun 12, 0600Z . Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RS(T) and VK Shire or CQ Zone. Logs due: Sep 1. Rules <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/vkshires>

Asia-Pacific Sprint-- Phone, from Jun 11, 1100Z to Jun 11, 1300Z . Bands (MHz): 14-21. Exchange: RST, serial. Logs due: 7 days. Rules <http://jsfc.org/apsprint/aprule.txt>

GACW WWSA CW DX Contest-- CW, from Jun 11, 1500Z to Jun 12, 1500Z . Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST, CQ zone. Logs due: Jul 30. Rules <http://www.wwsatest.org/>

NAQCC Monthly QRP Sprint-- CW, from Jun 15, 0030Z to Jun 15, 0230Z . Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Frequencies: Monthly on 2nd Tuesday or 3rd Wednesday (alternating). Exchange: RST, S/P/C, and NAQCC mbr nr or power. Logs due: 4 days. Rules <http://naqcc.info/>

SARL Youth Day Sprint-- Phone, from Jun 16, 0800Z to Jun 16, 1000Z . Bands (MHz): 7. Exchange: RS and age. Logs due: 7 days. Rules <http://www.sarl.org.za/>

All-Asian DX Contest-- CW, from Jun 18, 0000Z to Jun 19, 2400Z . Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RST, operator age (YL may send 00). Logs due: Jul 31. Rules <http://www.jarl.or.jp/English>

West Virginia QSO Party-- Phone, CW, Digital, from Jun 18, 1600Z to Jun 19, 0200Z . Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Frequencies: CW--35 kHz from band edge, Phone--35 kHz from General/Nov/Tech segments. Exchange: RS(T), WV county or S/P/C. Logs due: Jul 20. Rules <http://www.qsl.net/wvsarc>

Feld-Hell 10 Meter Sprint-- Digital, from Jun 18, 2000Z to Jun 18, 2200Z . Bands (MHz): 28. Frequencies: Monthly on 3rd Saturday. Exchange: RST, QTH, Feld-Hell number. Logs due: 7 days. Rules <http://www.feldhellclub.org/>

VHF+ CONTESTS

ARRL June VHF QSO Party-- Phone, CW, Digital, from Jun 11, 1800Z to Jun 13, 0300Z . Bands (MHz): 50+. Exchange: Grid square. Logs due: Jul 14. Rules <http://www.arrl.org/contests>

World Wide QRP Contest-- Phone, CW, from Jun 11, 0000Z to Jun 19, 2400Z . Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50-432. Exchange: RS(T). Logs due: Jul 11. Rules <http://en.jaqrp.org/>

REF DDFM Six Meter Contest-- Phone, CW, from Jun 11, 1600Z to Jun 12, 1600Z . Bands (MHz): 50. Exchange: RST, serial number, grid square. Logs due: 15 days. Rules <http://concours.ref-union.org/>

SMIRK QSO Party-- Phone, CW, from Jun 18, 0000Z to Jun 19, 2359Z . Bands (MHz): 50. Exchange: Grid square and member number. Logs due: Aug 1. Rules <http://www.smirk.org/>

WAB 50 MHz Phone-- Phone, from Jun 19, 0900Z to Jun 19, 1500Z. Bands (MHz): 50. Exchange: RS, serial, WAB square or DXCC entity. Logs due: 21 days. Rules <http://www.worked-all-britain.co.uk/>

==> LOG DUE DATES

8 June through 21 June

June 9 - ARS Spartan Sprint
<http://adventure-radio.org/wiki/index.php?title=Spartan_Sprint_Rules>

June 10 - His Maj. King of Spain Contest, CW
<http://www.ure.es/contest/431-sm-el-rey-contest-english-version.html>

June 11 - Wake-Up! QRP Sprint
<http://qrp.ru/modules/sections/index.php?op=viewarticle&artid=7&page=1>

June 12 - ARCI Hootowl Sprint
<http://www.qrparci.org/content/view/1518/118/>

June 12 - DigiFest <http://www.mixw.net/misc/DigiFest/rulese2011.html>

June 13 - FISTS Spring Sprint <http://www.fists.org/sprints.html>

June 13 - RSGB 80m Club Championship, Data
<http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2011/r80mcc.shtml>

June 15 - Indiana QSO Party <http://www.hdxcc.org/inqp/rules.html>

June 15 - Nevada Mustang Roundup
<http://www.nvqsoparty.info/nevada-mustang-round-up.html>

June 15 - Aegean RTTY Contest
<http://www.aegeandxgroup.gr/Aegean-RTTY-Contesr.php>

June 16 - QRP Minimal Art Session
<http://www.qrpcc.de/contestrules/mas/qrpmasr-e.html>

June 16 - CQ-M International DX Contest
<http://www.srr.ru/CONTEST/cq_m_11_eng.php>

June 19 - UT5EU VHF Memorial Contest
<http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/ut5euvhf.txt>

June 20 - 10-10 Int. Open Season PSK Contest
<http://www.ten-ten.org/oseason/oseason.html>

June 21 - RSGB National Field Day
<http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2011/rnfd.shtml>

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WIANEWS - June 12 - VK NATIONAL NEWS

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Please.. If you are only submitting text and not audio, write your story as
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WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING June 12 2011.

RANDOM HACKS OF KINDNESS.

RD Contest Time unchanged for 2011

Another new broadcaster of this news joins the team.

THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING JUNE 12 2011.

RANDOM HACKS OF KINDNESS.

In Silicon Valley USA where the latest geek type innovations are celebrated,
a group of hackers is creating new purposes for old technology.

Random Hacks of Kindness, has, like many smart things born in the region,
quickly spread around the globe. The idea sprang from a community of hackers
working on code for the good of humanity.

Last Saturday and Sunday, hundreds of engineers gathered around the world to
code for good.

In Silicon Valley, the event was held at Google's Mountain View campus.
Similar gatherings occurred at 17 other locations, from Toronto to Bangalore.

It's not about reinventing the wheel, but using the wheel for new purposes, said Chris Messina, a Google employee whose title is open web advocate and who participated in the third official RHoK held this past weekend.

"When the Internet goes down or when you lose the resources you depend on, we need to create new solutions," he said.

Maybe figuring out ways to use ham radio systems during disasters.

"You wouldn't think of the ham radio as bleeding-edge technology," he said. "But it will work when other technology won't when infrastructures go down. It's sort of like Twitter for truckers.

Using it for disasters' that's the hack. It's very cheap and can be massively deployed if necessary."

(press release)

800 MHz

Nine news through the week reported on the Australian Communications and Media Authority's review of radio frequency spectrum in the 800 MHz band

It noted fresh emergency radio frequencies could be set aside for emergency services in the wake of a summer of cyclones, storms and floods.

Federal Attorney-General Robert McClelland has released the terms of reference for a committee which is looking to equip police, fire, ambulance and counter-terrorism agencies with what he describes as "reliable and robust mobile broadband capability".

"The government is determined to make this technology available to our agencies" Mr McClelland said. "This presents the opportunity to build a new dedicated mobile broadband capability for emergency response organisations".

Currently they access that capability through commercial carriers.

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Peter VK4OD as the RD Contest Manager has had to make the decision that this year's Contest, the start time will remain as shown in the 2010 Rules, as posted on the WIA Website. It seems he had no reply from the WIA Directors as to exactly what the new time was to be and software writers for the major contest loggers need that info "quick smart".

In further news dealing with the WIA Clive VK4ACC was just one of close on 100 hams at the Darwin Meeting of the WIA at their AGM weekend.

(audio intensive, no text available).

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news

The Parkes Film Society is embarking on a fundraiser to raise money to purchase a projector to greatly improve the clarity and brightness of films screened at the M&D Little Theatre. This projector will allow for High Definition screenings.

"One of the other advantages of a proper venue projector is the ability to do outdoor screenings," Conrad Mill, Parkes Film Society president said.

"The idea is that people would bring their car and kids and we would use an inflatable screen and low-powered FM transmitter to allow people to view the movie and listen to it on their radios

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/
VKC Roundup http://www.police

Are you interested in working long distances on the VHF, UHF and microwave bands? Then consider attending the annual Gippsland Technical Conference - GippsTech - held at Churchill each July. Learn about the latest developments in techniques and equipment and discuss any issues that you have with the many knowledgeable amateurs present.

Presentations this year range from how to cheaply recycle coaxial crimp connectors through to the setting up of a complete solar powered remote radio station - one amateur's solution for his local QRM. Hear all about the latest developments in an amateur chirp radar system and how it allows you to determine how propagation is working. All this and more, over two days of information and fellowship.

GippsTech 2011 will be held over the weekend of July 9 and 10.

Registrations for this popular event close on July 1.

Further details can be found at the Club website:
www.vk3bez.org

(Peter VK3PF, President of the Eastern Zone Amateur Radio Club in the Latrobe Valley, Victoria.)

'VK3GT and VK3SN will be leading a team of intrepid friends on a back country adventure as they ski across the Bogong High Plains. The group will be up in the Victorian Alps above 1800 m in what is expected to be some of the best Winter snow for many years.

They will once again be using rugged ultra light solar powered gear with homebrew antennas to work 20 & 40m each afternoon and 80m every night.

They will move across the white snowy wilderness by day, setting up camp at night in remote huts, snow caves and even igloos. Listen out for them from 15-19 August calling CQ from the roof of Victoria.'

VK4 - QNEWS
web service local audio news:- www.wiaq.com/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
local news email qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
VKR Roundup http://www.police.qld.gov.au/News+and+Alerts/Media+Releases/

Welcome to QNews from VK4WIA. I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP, and I've been thinking.

One of those areas which has a certain mystique in our hobby is "home brew". Whether we are tinkerers of full blown constructors, amateur radio has evolved as a sharing hobby where what is learned is proudly shared with one's colleagues.

With the development of the w-w-w, sharing projects and experiments has taken a whole new direction for many amateurs. A notable example of this phenomenon is the story of Frank, K0IYE. I have often followed links to Frank's book "Crystal Sets to Sideband" which is a free internet book and it was with pleasure that I was able to read Frank's story in the May, 2011, issue of World Radio Online.

http://www.worldradiomagazine.com/

There is a further article in this issue showing the construction of one of Frank's projects. Anyone familiar with Drew Diamond's use of "ugly construction" will feel at home with the use of the "Manhattan" technique used in this audio amplifier.

Even in this age of the ready made, for the hobbyist there is a place for rolling one's own. Part of this is the self imposed challenge of succeeding at something different and part of it is using equipment you have made. Another part is being able to share what we have picked up along the way with other amateurs. For his efforts in explaining, developing and sharing his journey, a big thank you to Frank, K0IYE.

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think.....how about you?

CLUBBING - TO SUPPLY NEWS ITEMS:-
email qnews@wia.org.au

CENTRAL QUEENSLAND AR CLUB
Rockhampton
cqar.com.au

4 months in and the Central Queensland Amateur Radio Association Inc is firing on all cylinders.

Thanks to Jason - VK4FJGS and Ray VK4HOT we are the 200th entry for the International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend. We will be located at Seahill Lighthouse and transportation details are still being finalised.

Jack - VK4JRC recently organised a bulk buy of Tigertronics SLUSB interfaces. Since these interfaces arrived there has been a lot of activity locally across the bands with members experimenting with SSTV, Digital SSTV, PSK and Packet. Ray VK4HOT has been extremely proud of the QSO cards he has received from locations as remote as Portugal. Jack - VK4JRC is organising a Digital Modes workshop with a Barbeque to assist with the learning curve of Digital Modes.

This weekend will be aimed at assisting with the Tigertronics interfaces but other interface methods can be included. Dates and location are to be advised.

Frank - VK4FLR is currently in the process of looking at cost effective ways that members can get in on microwave activity after Frank - VK4FLR and Graham - VK4NFZ have been active on 23cm making the trip 48.8klm over some rough country from Bouldercombe to Zilzie. Other operators have been listening in on receivers for their signals.

A Fox Hunt will be organised in the near future thanks to Jason - VK4FJGS. Jason is also busily providing links to some great Fox Hunting resources which will be placed on our website. We think a Fox Hunt will really inspire young potential Amateur Radio Operators to take the first step.

We currently have a raffle for a Yaesu FT-1802M VHF FM radio. Tickets are $1.00 each. Contact our President Andrea - VK4FROG at president@cqara.org.au if you are interested in purchasing tickets. More details and Andrea's email address is available on our website www.cqara.org.au

For more information and news please visit our website, again www.cqara.org.au

I'm Adam - VK4MTJ on behalf of the Central Queensland Amateur Radio Association Inc.

SUNSHINE COAST
Maleny VK4RSC 146.850 and 438.075 VK4RSN 53.7
Noosa Heads VK4RSL 146.825 and 438.175

USM Events Noosa Century Bike Ride

Well SCARC has been at it again. Only a week after the International Rally of Qld, SCARC members assisted by Caboolture and Gympie club members have provided safety and strategic comms for the Noosa Century bike ride. The ride consisted of 2 stages, a 100km ride for the fit people and a 160km ride for the ultra fit.
Many checkpoints across the course required amateurs to assist in the reporting of progress and any accidents or breakdowns. The SAG wagon came through at the end of the riders to sweep up and collect any unfortunates that had failed through physical or mechanical means.
As there were amateurs in the two lead vehicles and the sag wagon these were fitted out with APRS which allowed the display of these 3 vehicles on a computer at the event headquarters at Noosa Lions Park. Thanks to a strategically placed digipeater there were no black spots for APRS coverage throughout the entire course. The event organisers were very impressed with the support given to them for this ride.

Scarc would like to thank all SCARC members and the members of the various clubs that helped out for this event.

NNC

What does NNC stand for you may ask. Its the acronym for a group of amateurs that like camping at various locations across South East Queensland, and the next event is July 8-10 at the Borumba Dam just out from Imbil. There has been

over 40 people at these events in the past and certain people have been known to upgrade from tents to caravans just for this event, especially when your bed is longer than the tent and your feet hang out the end. So what is this NNC? Well I will give you a clue, the middle N stands for Nutty and that certainly helps. Yes its Noel's Nutty Campers coming to a campground near you. A combination of camping, amateur radio, campfire cooking, car boot sales and plenty of tall stories means this is a memorable event not to be missed. If you would like to come along contact the Nutmaster himself, Noel VK4NL through the various means and he will be only too happy to get you onboard for a fun weekend.

This has been Gordon VK4VP

TABLELANDS RADIO AND ELECTRONICS CLUB
vk4wat@wia.org.au
www.treclub.org.au

G'Day again from Far North Queensland this is Dale VK4DMC for the Tablelands Radio and Electronics Club, TREC, in Far North Queensland.

As this news goes to air TREC members Gary VK4FD and Jeff VK4BOF (locally known as Snoopy and Charlie Brown) are on air and looking for contacts for the VK Shires contest.

They are using the TREC call-sign VK4WAT/p from the township of Mount Surprise which is in the Etheridge Shire (ET4) in Far North Queensland on or near the following frequencies:

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21.245MHz
28.450MHz
+/- QRM of course.

The next meeting of TREC will be held on Saturday the 25th of June at our clubrooms.

Well that's your lot for this week.

Visit the TREC website at www.treclub.org.au for club information and you can also download the latest monthly club news in TREC-NEWS. Past issues are also available on the site.

This has been Dale VK4DMC and you are listening to QNEWS. Travel Well!

VK7
local area news :- http://reast.asn.au/news.php
vk7 local news, email vk7regionalnews-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

July Reast Presentation

The 3 "Rs" - Resonance, Reactance and Resistance

Mike VK7MJ on July 6 at 7:30pm in the Queen's Domain clubrooms will present in a very practical way some basic AC theory which is aimed at the foundation and standard licensees who are looking to upgrade or as an entertaining refresher for all other amateurs.

Mike will take us through what happens when a capacitor, inductor and resistor are connected into an AC circuit.

This presentation will be a scary mathematics free zone....HIHI. So, don't worry come along and learn and refresh your AC theory knowledge.

http://reast.asn.au/events.php#threers

(Justin, VK7TW)

EDUCATION YOUTH AND ADVANCEMENT OF AMATEUR RADIO
www.hamcollege.com.au

REAST Scholarship

Secretary Tony, VK7VKT, is working with New Town High ready to start progressing 5 students through the steps needed to acquire their Foundation licence.

This comes as part of the WIA grant that REAST were fortunate enough to secure.

There is no doubt that with the electronics curriculum that these lads are already working through that they will complete the course with flying colours.

Now of course we don't want them to simply get their licence and leave them floundering. So, if you are in VK7 Would you like to be a mentor?

REAST are looking for 5 amateurs who would like to keep in touch with these lads through email for the first few months after they get their licence, just to help them with the many questions we all had that were too afraid to ask in person.

Interested? Let Tony, VK7VKT know through the email of Secretary@REAST.asn.au.

(73's, Tony VK7VKT

This year in New Zealand, from a Nelson branch initiative and sponsorship, a new award was introduced, to recognise a 100% pass mark (that's 60/60 result) in their examination, in the year preceding conference, for amateurs not otherwise eligible in the Best Examination/Youth Achievement Award.

There were three recipients of this award for 2010, Suzette James ZL2SGC, Jonathan MacKenzie ZL3JDM and Murray Smith ZL2MJS.

Well done to you all.

The Best Examination Result

The Best Examination result went to Thomas Fellows ZL3PSG aged 16 for a pass of 55/60.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART and the WW sources of the WIA.

New Zealand's very worthy recipient of the Amateur of the year Award, was David Searle ZL3DWS for the tremendous results he achieved in his Buildathon projects. David has recently moved from Christchurch for obvious reasons to Bondi VK2 in Australia.

Speaking from Australia's 2nd favourite beach, David said "I was greatly surprised, yet proud, to learn that I had become NZART Amateur of the Year.

Proud, because it acknowledges the success achieved by so many Canterbury radio amateurs and beyond, with the ZL3 Radio Buildathon project.

Hundreds of Canterbury kids now know what amateur radio is, and which end of a hot soldering iron to grab to build a simple radio!

So does mum and dad, school friends and all the others who would listen to a kid so proud that his or her first radio really works!

If we each share our enthusiasm for a great hobby with just one young person, their interest in radio, communicating and electronics could last a life time.

David ZL3DWS / VK2DWS"

URGENT NOTICE TO ALL SOUTH AFRICAN AMATEUR LICENSEES

Over in South Africa their body ICASA cancelled over 34,000 radio licenses that have remained unpaid for the past 365 days.

This includes all amateur radio licenses that are unpaid for the past year.

ZS hams have been advised by the SARL " If your amateur license was cancelled call now and ICASA will re-instate it if you can prove payment. If you have not paid, do so now using the information and account number on your last license.

New ARISS contact record

After spending 157 days aboard the International Space Station, ESA Astronaut Paolo Nespoli, IZ0JPA answered questions of students from 45 different schools, setting a new ARISS record for a single astronaut. (AND PROBABLY FOR A MARRIED ONE AS WELL)

Expedition 26/27 established a new ARISS record, working 77 schools in 68 radio contacts during the mission

NEXT MARS ROVER BEING MADE READY FOR LAUNCH

NASA engineers are putting the finishing touches on the next rover to Mars before shipping it off to Florida for launch later this year. What's being described as a small army of technicians dressed in protective suits have been working almost non-stop inside of a clean room at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, California, assembling the new rover named Curiosity and testing its science instruments.

NASA says that it will begin shipping spacecraft parts to Cape Canaveral beginning next month. The size of a small SUV, Curiosity will drive around Mars and study whether the planet ever had the right environment to support primitive life.

The $2.5 billion project is scheduled to launch in late November.

(NASA)

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

COUNCIL OF EUROPE ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS RF FREE ZONES

The Council of Europe's Parliamentary Assembly Committee on the Environment released a report titled The Potential Dangers of Electromagnetic Fields and Their Effect on the Environment. The paper, made public on May 6th carries recommendations that, if adopted, could have major implications for wireless carriers and, to a lesser extent, broadcasters and any RF emitter in the European Union.

In regard to standards or threshold values for emissions of electromagnetic fields of all types and frequencies, the Assembly that prepared the report recommends that the "as low as reasonably achievable" principle be applied. This, covering both the so-called thermal effects as well as the biological effects of electromagnetic emissions or radiation.

The report also is among the first to give credibility to a phenomena that most scientists and researchers have long been sceptical of. Paragraph 8.1.4 of the report recommends member states of the Council of Europe pay particular attention to the needs of what it calls electro-sensitive persons. These are people who claim that they suffer from a syndrome of intolerance to electromagnetic fields. The report suggests the introduction of special measures to protect these people. This includes the creation of wave-free areas not covered by a wireless network. What effect acceptance and implementation of the recommendations would have on ham radio operations in Europe remain to be determined.

JAPAN SCRAPS FINAL MORSE TESTING

The country that started the no-code licensing revolution some six decades ago has finally dropped the Morse testing requirement for all of that nations ham radio licensees. This with word that the Japanese Ministry of Internal Affairs has decided to scrap Morse testing for the Amateur Radio Class 1 and 2 licenses with an effective date of this coming October 1st.

What amounts to Japan's version of a Notice of Proposed Rule Making on the Morse test was held earlier in the year. There were 39 people who responded. Following a discussion of the information the responses provided, the Ministry

announced that Morse telegraphy testing would be discontinued.

Japan pioneered the High Frequency No-Code
Amateur Radio or Class 4 license in the 1950's
although they still required Morse for the higher
license classes. The written exam for the Class 4
is roughly equivalent to the Foundation exam in
the United Kingdom and Australia and the discontinued USA Novice.

The Japan Ministry of Internal Affairs
announcement on the abolishment of Morse testing
is on line in Google translated English at tinyurl.com/3s4bljx

CQ ANNOUNCES HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

And CQ magazine has announced its 2011 Hall of
Fame inductees, welcoming 12 new members into the
CQ Amateur Radio Hall of Fame.

Topping this years list alphabetically is TV and
Film producer Dave Bell, W6AQ, who was chosen for
this honour based on his deep involvement in
producing multiple amateur radio promotional
videos over the past several decades.

Also from Southern California is Nate Brightman,
K6OSC. He is credited with being the "spark"
behind W6RO, the ham station aboard the Queen Mary in Long Beach, California.

Rounding out the California contingent is
Cardinal Roger Mahony, W6QYI, the Archbishop
Emeritus of Los Angeles. He was recognized for
his leadership as an advocate for immigration reform.

Others recognized include Ron Moorefield, W8ILC
of Kettering, Ohio. Since its inception,
Moorefield has been one of the guiding lights of
the Dayton Hamvention. He was also recognized
for his work as a coordinator of the cross-country 1984 Olympic Torch Relay.

There was also one each member inducted into the
CQ DX Hall of Fame and the CQ Contest Hall of
Fame. The 2011 inductee to the CQ DX Hall of
Fame is Michael J. McGirr, K9AJ. McGirr has been
a leading DXpeditioner who has operated literally
from the ends of the Earth over nearly 30
years. The 2011 inductee to the CQ Contest Hall
of Fame is John Sluymer, VE3EJ, who has been an
active contester and DXer since 1973. He is a
founding member and current president of Contest Club Ontario.

The CQ Amateur Radio Hall of Fame honours those
individuals, whether licensed hams or not, who

have made significant contributions to amateur radio; and those amateurs who have made significant contributions either to amateur radio, to their professional careers or to some other aspect of life on our planet. The CQ Contest and DX Halls of Fame honour those amateurs who not only excel in personal performance in these major areas of amateur radio but who also "give back" to the hobby in outstanding ways. Formal inductions to the CQ Contest and DX Halls of Fame took place at last weeks Dayton Hamvention. A complete list of this years inductees is on-line at www.cq-amateur-radio.com.

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2011

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Winter UHF/VHF Field Day

Although the WIA contest manager has not supplied us yet with dates, we understand that the Winter UHF / VHF Field day is around the corner, possibly on June 19th.

In VK2, CCARC better known for their running of Australia's longest, biggest running hamfest at Gosford/Wyong will enter 2 teams in the UHF/VHF Field, VK2EH/P and VK2WFD/P.

VK2WFD (or if you like, VK2 Wholly Foundation Driven) will be operated only by Foundation licensed operators (with Advanced license holders in attendance for supervisory duties only) to give some of the newer members of our hobby a taste of the fun of contesting and its procedures.

VK2WFD will be competing in the 8 hour section from 12 noon Saturday 19th of June.

So, when you hear VK2WFD during the contest, give them a call and welcome them to the world of contesting in this great hobby of ours.

(sourced to arnsw)

Aug 20-21 WW I.L.L.W.

2012

March 17-18 VK JOHN MOYLE MEMORIAL FIELD DAY

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

HF BEACON CALL SIGN CHANGE

The HF beacon ZS4BOT transmitting on 7,027 MHz is changing to ZS0BOT.

ICASA contacted ZS4JAN and explained that the original callsign was issued incorrectly.

ICASA explained that the call signs of all beacons will be changed to start with ZS0 prefixes.

POPE BENEDICT XVI CROATION VISIT COMMEMORATED BY HAM RADIO

Ham radio was a part of the celebration as Pope Benedict the 16th visited the Republic of Croatia for the first time, this was between June 4th and 5th.

The city of Zagreb was the host town during his stay in Croatia. The visit of Pope Benedict also inspired the members of the Croatian Flora Fauna Radio Club to activate the special callsign 9A16PB.

The PB in the callsign is in honour of Pope Benedict.

Hams in Croatia will keep 9A16PB on the air through June 13th, tomorrow.

QSL this very special operation via 9A2MF.

In DX, K0YAK is currently based at the US Embassy in Kathmandu, Nepal and is active as 9N7AK during his spare time. He is expected that he will be there until early July using SSB and PSK31 on 20 through 10 meters.
QSL's should go via his home callsign K0YAK.

PA4JJ will be active portable 9A from Porec on the Croatian mainland between June 6th and 24th. He will operate holiday style using RTTY and PSK31 most of the time, again QSL via his home callsign PA4JJ.

BROADCAST MONITORING SWL AND SCANNER NEWS
http://spench.net/drupal/software/rfmap)AUSTRALIAN GEOGRAPHICAL RF MAP)
http://www.scanaustralia.bigpondhosting.com
http://mt-shortwave.blogspot.com/
HTTP://www.ei7dar.com/hf.html
www.tinyurl.com/BITS-026 (A receiver located in NY USA)
http://wb4mak.com/ (Atlanta 80/40/20 Web SDR Receiver)

Short-wave broadcasts suspended pending review

Portuguese broadcaster R.D.P. has temporarily suspended its short-wave transmissions as of 1 June because of the low number of listeners and as a means of cutting costs.

RDP said it would be reviewing the service to see whether it would go back on air at a later date. Listeners around the world can still follow their favourite programmes via satellite, cable and Internet.

The Portuguese broadcaster said it was "just one of many global broadcasters who are reducing or closing their SW transmissions".

(pnol)

INTRUDER WATCH - ENFORCEMENT ZONE

Region III IARUMS Coordinator Peter Young VK3MV

VK IARUMS reflector email to subscribe intruders@wia.org.au

INTRUDER NETS
Friday 0730 UTC 7.065.5 with VK4CEU David.

Amateur exclusive frequencies where any non-amateur signal is definitely an intruder.

Amateur HF Spectrum world wide
7.050 to 7.100
14.000 to 14.250
14.250 to 14.350 No broadcasters
21.000 to 21.450
24.890 to 24.990
28.000 to 29.700

SatNav jamming in UK during September and October

Ofcom has announced that multiple jammers will be disrupting the SatNav GPS system around Stanford, East Anglia, in September and October.

Between 19 and 23 September 2011 and between 03 and 07 October 2011 inclusive.

Times: 0900 - 1730 BST.

Location of MULTIPLE jammers: Land based within 5km of
N52° 31.0' E000° 45.0'.

Frequency: A 24 MHz band centred around 1575.42MHz (GPS L1).

Total Power: Up to 10 Watts EIRP.

It is stressed that, as in previous exercises, Safety of Life operations will at all times take precedence over exercise activities.

For further in formation contact InfoGPS.Notices@ofcom.org.uk

MEDIA WATCH
www.cq-amateur-radio.com/WorldRadio.html
VK Club Bulletins http://groups.yahoo.com/group/aarnie/

Another new broadcaster of this news joins the team.

Hellenic Amateur Radio Association of Australia's VK3 Repeater
at Noble Park.

SUNDAY 9:30am 439.425 VK3RSV Noble Park - EchoLink Node 9698

(John Chalkiarakis - VK3YP HARAOA Treasurer).

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ARDF
WIA ARDF COORDINATOR VK3WWW Jack vk3www@wia.org.au
http://users.mackay.net.au/~ron/
http://www.homingin.com
http://www.ardf.org.au

Sep 23-28 R3 Region 3 ARDF Championship Bendigo VK3
http://r3.ardf.org.au/

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

AMSAT-VK UNOFFICIAL HF Net.
2nd Sunday each month.
April through October 1000 UTC 3.685 MHz
November through March 0900 UTC 7.068 MHz

Kiwisat Update

Over 45 members attended the Kiwisat forum at the recent NZART conference.

Very little news has come from what is expected to be a great feather in the
ZL cap! Ian ZL1AOX ran a presentation which included a short video by
Fred Kennedy ZL1BYP on the clean room at Massey University in Albany showing
the almost complete Kiwisat.

Ian then introduced via Skype, Clayton Gumbrell VK1TKA in Canberra Australia,
who described the software development - a first at an NZART conference.

Terry Osborne ZL2BAC completed the presentation showing his progress with the
Ground Station Telemetry decoding software.

ARISSat-1 Reception Challenge

ARISSat-1 is scheduled for deployment from the ISS in July.

It has a composite VHF downlink that will easily fit into the FUNcube Dongle
receive spectrum. The telemetry is 1000 bps BPSK and can, of course, also be
received with a normal SSB 2 metre wireless receiver.

The expected signal levels from ARISSat should be similar to those we expect
from FUNcube itself (and also eventually from UKube) and the team are keen to
discover what will be the minimum and best type of antennas for schools to use
with a FCD. Therefore user experience with the ARISSat signals will be very
valuable in making this determination.

To encourage everyone to receive ARISSat signals we are offering a FUN reward
for listeners!

There are a number of categories for this challenge -they include:

1+ The first FCD user, from each continent, who can post a spectrum recording of the received signal together with evidence of decoding the data using the ARISSat software and of sending it to the ARISSat data warehouse .

2+ The first non-FCD user, from each continent, who can provide evidence of having decoded the signals and of sending it to the ARISSat data warehouse.

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4+ All other entrants who can demonstrate that they have been having FUN!

Please submit your "entries", including your location, station details (including FCD serial number where applicable), postal address and reports to g0auk<at>amsat.org

Good luck,

ARISSat-1
http://www.arissat1.org/

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP --- MILITARY

Commando Solo heard on new shortwave frequency

Commando Solo, the US airborne radio station operating above Libya on behalf of NATO, has been heard using a new shortwave frequency, 10125 kHz, USB mode, transmitting messages intended for Gaddafi's forces.

This frequency is in the 30 metre amateur band, but is also used by the Libyan army.

Commando Solo has previously used 6877 kHz and 10404 kHz. The change in frequency is probably due to the jamming by the Libyan Army.

(SOUTHGATE)

SOCIAL SCENE

2011

Jun 11 - 12 VK2 Oxley Region Amateur Radio Club annual Field Day

Jul 16 VK3 Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club Hamfest
Cranbourne Community Hall 10am (secretary@ggrec.org.au)

Jul 16 VK4 Maryborough Electronics and Radio Group "Wide Bay Hamfest"
West Scout Hall, Ariadne St, Maryborough 8:30am.
secretary@merg.org.au

Jul 31 VK2/3 Riverina Field Day 10am at Lavington Scout Group Hall.

Aug 7 VK2 Lismore region - SARCFEST

Sep 11 VK3 SADARC Comms Day at St Augustine's Hall Shepparton 10am.

Sep 16-18 VK4 NQ Amateur Radio Convention Date Set Townsville

Sep 23-28 R3 Region 3 ARDF Championship Bendigo VK3
http://r3.ardf.org.au/

Sep 30-Oct 2 VK4 Central Highlands Amateur Radio Club AGM at Camp Fairbairn
CONTACT Secretary Gordon, (vk4kal@wia.org.au)

Nov 20 vk5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society Hamfest
Goodwood Community Centre, Rosa St Goodwood at 0930.
Visit www.ahars.com.au for contact details

2012

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557. MMMonVHF Newsletter 2011-06-09

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From: MMMonVHF News Mailer <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
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Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our lastet NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2011-06-09
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter, once a week (thursday)
from now on - if any special activities will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further detail please be so kind and watch our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you vy welcome for any
input and we do hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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** The 144 MHz EME NewsLetter - Current Issue June 2011 **

Since 2003 DF2ZC publishes the 144 MHz EME NewsLetter. This is
a free service for the EME community. Bernd, DF2ZC, informed us
that the latest edition of the EME-Newsletter is now available
at: http://www.df2zc.de/newsletter - EMENL201106 [1.514 KB] 73
SOURCE: tnx to Bernd, DF2ZC to MMMonVHF

** Space Weather News for June 7, 2011 http://spaceweather.com **

MAGNIFICENT ERUPTION: This morning around 0641 UT, magnetic fields
above sunspot complex 1226-1227 became unstable and erupted. The
blast produced an M2-class solar flare, an S1-class radiation storm,
and a massive CME. A recording of the blast from NASA's Solar
Dynamics Observatory ranks as one of the most beautiful and dramatic
movies of the SDO era. Must-see movies at http://spaceweather.com
AURORA WATCH: High-latitude sky watchers in both hemispheres should
be alert for auroras during the late hours of June 8th or 9th when a
CME from today's eruption could deliver a glancing blow to Earth's
magnetic field. Aurora alerts are available from
http://spaceweatherphone.com - SOURCE: http://spaceweather.com

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** New ES-upload Tool from MMMonVHF for VQ-Log USER **

Ansgar, DG2KBC, did work around a new tiny tool to upload your
daily 144MHz ES QSO data directly from your VQlog (by EA6VQ) database

to the MMMonVHF Sporadic E website. Please have a look at the USER-
ACCOUNT after the login at: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/usr.php
SOURCE: Ansgar, DG2KBC, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: UN ; Square: MO51 ; Start: 2011-05-21 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3835

Hans-Walter since may 21st, qrv as UN/DL9LBH from MO51QD
LATEST NEWS from Hans-Walter, UN/DL9LBH, dated 2011-05-21:
Finally today, 21st May 2011 I can inform you that my eme station
is ready to bring Kazakhstan (UN) to the moon. Here are already
active stations, but I will add some activity and probably 70cm band
to the moon. I build up a 4x11el group for 2m and to the moment a
2x23el group for 70cm. As soon as I get the missing 23el antenna,
which they failed to send me last time, I will have a 4x23el group
for 70cm. After moving from Tashkent/Uzbekistan to Astana/Kasakhstan
end of september 2010 I am still busy, in the job as well as at home.
All qsl cards I received until july 2010 I answered. Those I received
later still have to wait, but will be answered now in summer! I hope
that I can bring UN to many of you and soon also on 70cm. gl and see
your dots on the screen ... 73 Hans UN/DL9LBH in Astana/Kazakhstan
SOURCE: tnx to Hans-Walter, UN/DL9LBH, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: OZ ; Square: JO46 ; Start: 2011-06-08 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3865

Tor, DJ8MS will be on VACATION in JO46 for a week.
6m: 4el Yagi, 2m 7el Yagi, both bands abt. 100W at antenna.
Will play mainly on 6m, while monitoring 2m too.
SOURCE: tnx to Tor, DJ8MS, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: OZ ; Square: JO456 ; Start: 2011-06-11 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3662

The Scout-Amateur-Radio-Station OZ1RDP (JO45GC) will be qrv again
in June 2011. Carsten, DM1CG is on the way up to Denmark meantime...
SOURCE: tnx to Carsten, DM1CG, dircet to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: PA ; Square: JO22 ; Start: 2011-06-11 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3852

The PG6N - team will beactive from the Noordwijk Lighthouse NET-019,
during the Coastel Week (Week van de Zee). The event will start on
Saterday June 11th and will end on Kidsday Saterday June 18th.
Because the Es-period, we will be active on 6 and 2 mtrs. Also PG6N
will be active on HF. Please viste our website on:
http://pg6n.jouwweb.nl/english and join our Facebook-site:
http://www.facebook.com/home.php?sk=group_173489109367097
QSL please only via bureau! Best 73
SOURCE: tnx to Jaap PA7DA direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: /mm ; Square: diverse ; Start: 2011-06-19 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3850

Frank, DH7FB, will be on a /mm Operation with a sailing ship
from Athina to Korfu (around the Pellepones area)
Here a rough timetable: 19.06.11 KM17, 20.06.11 KM16, 21.06.11 KM16
22.06.11 KM16, 23.06.11 KM16, 24.06.11 KM16, 25.06.11 KM16
26.06.11 KM06, 27.06.11 KM07, 28.06.11 KM08 ,29.06.11 KM08
30.06.11 KM09 - Call will be DH7FB/mm and Frank will try to be as
often as possible (NOT day by day due to the sailing trip) and if he
will be qrv only after 18 Z and if the ship is not anchoring south
of an island. He will try to be qrv on 144 MHz MS (qrg: 144,370 MHz
cq for QSY 144,355 MHz, DH7FB/mm first, FSK441) and as well for some
EME Tests. Equipment will be 200W, 8 ele DK7ZB with 12 dbd (4,4m).
pse look into the dxc... :)
SOURCE: tnx to Frank, DH7FB, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: LA ; Square: JP43 ; Start: 2011-06-19 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3853

OE9ICI QRV from JP43 as LA/OE9ICI - Chris, OE9ICI, announced on
ON4KST-chat that he will be in JP43 from July 26th until August 8th
2011. QTH will be at 950 meters ASL - SOURCE: Info from KST-Chat

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
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** W2SZ qrv from FN32JP during the VHF Contest **

Station and schedule Details - W2SZ, FN32JP - Map65, WSJT, JT65B
Tx frequency 144.115, depending on spurious W2SZ calls CQ second
sequence (odd minute) 1500W 4x12El, full Az/El 0.6 dB LNA
SOURCE: tnx to Jeff, WA1HCO, direct to MMMonVHF

** K5QE again in VHF-Contest via MS/EME **

Hello to everyone in the EME community. This year, the ARRL June VHF Contest will be held June 11th and 12th. We want to work as many EME stations on 2M AND 432 as possible to increase our grid count. Please help us with this event by working us on JT65b or CW. Thank you very much. I understand that the EU contests ban EME contacts, but that is NOT the case with the ARRL contests, so your contact is very important to us. Hence, I would really appreciate the EU stations making the effort to work me, as your contact will certainly be a rare grid for our log. Read all: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3864
Marshall, K5QE - EM31cj - www.k5qe.com East Texas, USA
SOURCE: Marshall, K5QE direct to MMMonVHF

** MC0SCL qrv from IO71 on HF and 50 MHz **

The Strumblehead DX & Contest Group will once again be activating Ramsey Island (IOTA EU-124, WW Loc. IO71HU), Pembrokeshire, southwest Wales, using the club call MC0SHL for their annual mini trip/holiday from the 9th to 13th June 2011. The difference this year is the operation will be more relaxed and on air for fun rather than for any contest, although over the weekend of 11th and 12th June there is the WFF activity weekend, with the island having the designated site of Ramsey island NR WFF GWFF-072 (see www.m0oxo.com/ and the WFF area on Charles web page). QRV on 80m through to 6m, using 2 FT1000MP MkV's and a K3. They will also be taking amplifiers for each band and will also have the facilities for RTTY this year. All details of the island and previous activations by the group are on their website at: www.mc0shl.com/ and all QSL requests go through their manager Tim, M0URX with OQRS facilities on his website www.m0urx.com/ - all logs will be uploaded to LOTW and Clublog (www.clublog.org/) either during the trip if they can get a reliable internet connection or immediately they get back to the mainland and the farm.
SOURCE: [Pete's-DX-Newsdesk] via ICPO Bulletin (03-10 June 2011)

** Nicaragua qrv HF and 50 MHz again **

Look for W5MJ (YN2MJ) and W5PR (YN2PR) to be active from Nicaragua on 9-13 June. YN2MJ will be QRV mostly on 160 and 80 metres with an emphasis on Europe, while YN2PR will be be QRV on 6 metres, ARRL VHF QSO Party included.
SOURCE: [TNX The Daily DX] via 425 DX News #1048

** IM0P from San Pietro Island qrv HF and 50 MHz **

Operators IS0ANU, Daniele IS0BGL, Carlo IS0JOO, Nicola IS0BMU, Franco IS0EUJ, Giorgio IZ3KVD, Vittorio I1BUP, Antonio I1ZB, Claudio IZ1DNJ, Danio I5OYY and Simone IK5RUN will be active as IM0P from San Pietro Island (IOTA EU-165, IIA CI-009, MIA MIS-031, WLOTA 2989, WAIS FM10) between 23rd July and 1st August 2011. This includes an Island

DXpedition entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (30-31 July). Plans are to
be QRV on 160-6 metre SSB, CW and RTTY. QSL via QRZ.com.
SOURCE: [NG3K] via ICPO Bulletin (03-10 June 2011)

** Ilheu das Rolas, IJ39 qrv on HF and 50 MHz **

Matt K0KKO and Ed K0GUV plan to be active from Ilheu das Rolas (IOTA
AF-023, WLOTA 1622, WW Loc. JI39GX), Sao Tome & Principe using the
callsigns of S92DX, S9CW and S9SX on HF and 6m. QRV between October
21-27, 2011. They will have two 6m stations (1 - IC756PROIII, ACOM1000
8ele M2 (also used for EME); 2 - IC756PROIII, 1KW Amp TBD, 11ele
short boom). Operating frequency of 50.105 MHz SSB, 50.105.7 MHz CW.
Website: www.k0kko.net/pb/wp_5bd6e10c/wp_5bd6e10c.html
SOURCE: [dx-world.net] via ICPO Bulletin (03-10 June 2011)

** T48, CUBA (Rare 6m Grid) **

Members of the Federaciï¿½n de Radioaficionados de Cubas in Las Tunas,
eastern Cuba, will be active on 6 meter from the Grid Square FL10MW,
during the next "ARRL June VHF QSO Party" (June 11-13th) using the
contest callsign T48K as a "limited multi-operator" entry. This will
be the very first time in the history that a ham radio station
transmits from this particular square on this band. Operators will be
Carlos/CO8CML, Douglas/CO8DM, Ernesto/CM8GJ and Raï¿½l/CO8ZZ and will
use an Yaesu FT 857 running into a five elements yagi from F9FT.
QSL via DK1WI. SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1013

** SX8R from Thassos Island, KN20, qrv HF and 50 MHz **

Laci, HA0NAR, will be active as SX8R from Thassos [aka Thasos] Island
(IOTA EU-175, GIOTA NAS-037, MIA MG-124, WLOTA 4186) between 25th
July and 1 August 2011. QRV 160-6 metres in CW, SSB and RTTY using
vertical antennas. Laci will also participate in the RSGB IOTA
Contest (July 30-31). QSL via home call.
SOURCE: [dx-world.net] via ICPO Bulletin (03-10 June 2011)

** FW, WALLIS & FUTUNA in 2012, qrv HF and 50 MHz **

Laci, HA0NAR, and two other operators will be active as FW0R from
Uvea Island (aka Wallis, OC-054, DIFO FW-001, WLOTA 0389, WW Loc.
AH16VS) next year (2012) between Janaury 25th and February 23rd.
Operations will be from Vailala village (Hihifo district). They plan
to have two stations on the air with amps operating on 160-6 meters
using CW, SSB and RTTY. Focus will be on the lower bands, especially
160/80/40/30 meters using Spider (18m) verticals. A week long side
trip will be also organized to Futuna Island (OC-118, DIFO FW-017,

WW Loc. AH05WQ) for the IOTA hunters in early February. The team also plans to take part in the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 18-19th) For more info/updates and an online logsearch, see the Web page at: http://www.ha0nar.hu SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1013

** C2, NAURU (Update) **

Excerpts from a "C21AA Nauru DXpedition" #2 press release dated June 4th, states members of Pacific DXers are pleased to announce that 6 operators will be active as C21AA from Nauru between November 10th and December 6th, with 3 complete stations on HF as well as a dedicated 6m station. The confirmed team so far consist of Art/NJ7N, Tim/NL8F, Eddie/VK4AN, Bill/VK4FW and 2 more operators to be announced later. The press release also states, "Nauru is currently ranked at 44 on the world wide wanted list, 31 in most of EU and 19 on the wanted Digital mode list." The team fully intends to operate on CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31, and on all bands 160-6 meters. For logistical reasons, all equipment will be taken on same flight as "excess baggage" QSLs will be managed by Pacific DXers, with the task going to Bill, VK4FW. QSLing is available three ways..... direct, by the Bureau or online with Paypal 'postage' support. To request a QSL, and choice/ pick the method you want to use, go to: http://www.vk4fw.com/oqrs.php While each individual operator is responsible for their own personal expenses including air flights, accommodations, food etc..... they are seeking support to help offset other costs, such as the large excess baggage charge, hotel room just for the radio equipment, QSL printing, QSL postage for Bureau cards, phone calls associated with planning, purchase of consumables and, most important of all... the donation of some equipment to native Nauruan hams! A special Paypal account has been set up for support at: dxpedition@westnet.com.au <mailto:dxpedition%40westnet.com.au> (Just add your callsign/name and any comments in the 'comment/message' box.) All donors will be listed on the Web site, which is still 'under construction', so the following link doesn't work yet:
http://C21.pacific-dxers.com/supporters.html
[unless anonymity preferred] PLEASE NOTE: A special memento will be sent to donors who support them with 50 USDs or more. These donors will be listed on the QSL card. Organizations that provide support will have their logo and link placed on the Web page as well as their logo on the QSL Card [unless anonymity preferred].
SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1013

** KB7ME CN71 Grid Trip, 50 MHz, 144 MHz and up **

Hello to all, I will be activating Grid CN71 for this years June VHF contest, 50 and 144 bands only. This will be the third year in a row for me in CN71. Will operate again from CN71xw. Lets hope for 6m E's. Last two years have been poor in CN71. The good news is I plan to be

QRV from Sat June 11 thru the morning of Friday June 17 assuming we don't get chased out by rain or run out of gas for the generator's. Will do 50 Mhz SSB/CW and WSJT MS with a Icom Pro3, kw amp and 6m5x yagi. On 144 Mhz, same modes, with my old Yaesu Ft-736r, 400 watt amp and a newly built 14 ele LFA design yagi. Internet/cell phone coverage is flaky at best. The better of two sites has fair cell coverage,(If I have cell service will have internet)(For outside contest use), however my preferred location was not accessable last year. Will run WSJT MS each morning/evening using the calling freq/50.260 and listening up typically 5 or 10, always first sequence I will be sending my grid for TX2 at all times. Outside the contest you send sh R26. If we are blessed with E's will announce myself SSB, on 50.125 and listen for callers on 50.180 typically. On CW you will find me around 50.095 +- qrm. On 144 Mhz WSJT MS I will CQ on the calling freq/144.140. possibly listening up or down. SSB/CW 144.200 +- qrm.I will have gear for 222/432/1296 with me but not qrv. If you want to try these bands, I am open to a schedule outside the contest Note: I will always sign KB7ME, not /p or /6. I will upload all q's to LoTW and qsl 100% for cards received. Hope to work you from this rare one. SOURCE: Mike KB7ME on WSJT Reflector

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** K7NX in DN00 starting June 10, qrv 50 & 144 MHz **

Curby (KE7LHT) and Lloyd (K7NX) will be QRV from DN00 for the VHF QSO party next weekend. We'll probably run 6 meters only. Following the QSO party, I will remain in DN00 and plan to operate daily on 6 meter SSB and CW (will monitor 50.125), plus I'll be on 6 and 2 meter FSK441 early each morning - 6 meters on even numbered dates, and 2 meters on odd numbered dates. Look for me on 50.260 or 144.140. For FSK441, I will always transmit first, and will include my listening frequency in the CQ - I will switch my transmit freq to my listening frequency when I hear you. Then I'll go back to CQ on the calling frequency after the qso completes. We'll have internet/ping jockey running the week of June 13, but I'll likely head out portable later in that week and lose internet access. Operating equipment is an Elecraft K3 with a 5 element beam on 6 meters (and hopefully a 400 watt amp if I can get it running), and an IC-706 with a Mirage 160 watt amp on 2 meters with an 11 element beam. Everything is generator powered. Curby also has a brand new FT-897 so I'll get him fired up to permanently activate DN00. It's possible that I will make a multiple day trip over to DN10 also, probably around June 22 or 23. I'll have someone post that activity if it happens. I will cease operation on June 27 and head out of those grids. I hope to work all of you! QSL to CBA. SOURCE: Lloyd, K7NX via WSJT Reflector

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** K7BV CM93 - Preliminary Announcement **

LATEST Update from Dennis, K7BV, dated 2011-06-08: I will leave my hours to join Barry at our boat to load the last of our gear and antennas shortly. We will depart Seal Beach Harbor a short time later. With some luck, we will have the a station on 6 meters (50155 SSB/CW and 50255 WSJT meteor scatter) this evening. Good luck to all - May the Es Be With Us! 73 Dennis K7BV SOURCE: Barry KS7DX via WSJT group reflector

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** C6AKQ, FL15, in June ARRL VHF Contest, HF and 50 MHz **

N5KM and N4BP will travel to Freeport, Grand Bahama on June 9 and remain until June 13 to include the ARRL June VHF Contest. The call used during the contest will be C6AKQ (QSL via N4BP). Before and after the contest we plan to operate 80-10 Meters including the WARC bands with the calls C6AKQ and C6A/N5KM. For all activity, we will use both CW and SSB. We will have two operational stations allowing us HF activity even during the VHF contest. Rigs will be the Elecraft K3 and Icom 706MKIIG. Antennas will be a 40M dipole at 80 feet (to be used also on Six Meters), 80M dipole at 100 feet, and 6M dipole at 60 feet. 73 SOURCE: Bob Patten, N4BP via Reflector

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** N8OFS/P Caboose Portable in the SMIRK Contest 2011... **

Howdy gang... Now that the SMIRK Contest 2011 Rules have been announced, http://smirk.org/contest.html I can announce my entry in the Contest... I will once again be "Broadcasting Live and Direct" from the BIG Caboose at the AC&J Railroad... Jefferson Ohio Ashtabula County, EN91or... I will be using the same trusty setup I always use out there... Kenwood TS-60 at 50W to 29.4ft of LMR-400 to the "DOMINATOR" antenna at 29.5ft... http://lpfmantenna.com/6-meter-antenna.html I will be parked and locked calling on 52.525FM... Pictures will be available sometime during the week after the Contest, which I will post the links to all the reflectors once I upload them to noars.net... The only slight "glitch" is that I won't be able to be on the air the whole 48 hours I will be on the air from 0000Z June 18 thru 1900Z June 19... Since this is the first weekend of Passenger Train season at the Railroad, I hafta be out of the Caboose so they can "put it away" when they put the Passenger Train away Sunday afternoon... I hope to work all my 6 Meter FM friends during this time... I have several "locals" up there that now have 6 Meter FM gear... So if ya work me I might be able to get ya a point or two by passing you off to "locals" that may be sitting around their rigs listening... May the prop godz be with us... PeAcE... SOURCE: Andy N8OFS via Reflector

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** MU/PA6Z DX-pedition 2011 **

Members of the Dutch DX-pedition & contestgroup PA6Z are planning a
DX-pedition from 23 till 30 october 2011 to Guernsey, using the
callsign MU/PA6Z. They will be active from 6 - 160 mtr. both in cw
and ssb. QSL via PA9M the groups qsl-manager. More info about the
DX-pedition on our website http://www.pa6z.nl
SOURCE: Bill/NG3K News

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73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

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558. New weekly vidcast - Ham Nation - hosted by Bob Heil, K9EID

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BoB Heil is hosting a weekly netcast over at http://twit.tv/hn. You can download mp4 videos of each episode, watch it in streaming mode, or just download an audio mp3 version for later playback.

You will see many famous amateurs in the weeks to come, including DeLorean, but you won't see AB8MQ or KB9RQZ.

559. The ARRL Letter for June 9, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-06-10 01:59:28 UTC
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==> FOLLOW THE 2011 ARRL NATIONAL CONVENTION ON FACEBOOK AND TWITTER

If you can't make it to the 2011 ARRL National Convention -- held in
conjunction with Ham-Com in Plano, Texas June 10-11 -- you can follow
all the activities on Facebook <http://www.facebook.com/ARRL.org> and
Twitter <http://twitter.com/arrlexpo>. Photos will be posted to the
ARRL's Facebook page <http://www.facebook.com/ARRL.org> throughout the
Convention, while the ARRL EXPO Twitter account
<http://twitter.com/arrlexpo> will carry live tweets. Discover more
about the 2011 ARRL National Convention here
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<http://www.arrl.org/2011-arrl-national-convention>.

==> + PUBLIC SERVICE: ARRL, SATERN TEAM UP TO ASSIST IN JOPLIN

After the devastating EF5 tornado that swept through Joplin,
Missouri
<http://www.arrl.org/news/radio-amateurs-assist-american-red-cross-served-age
ncies-during-joplin-storm>
last month, radio amateurs responded to assist with providing support
in multiple ways. On Friday, June 3, the Salvation Army -- which has a
Memorandum of Understanding with the ARRL -- contacted the ARRL
<http://www.arrl.org/news/satern-seeks-amateur-radio-volunteers-for-joplin-op
erations>,
seeking the League's assistance to provide hams who could help support
the agency's work in Joplin. More than 50 Amateur Radio operators
responded to the request to help the Salvation Army Team Emergency
Radio Network (SATERN <http://www.satern.org/>) supply logistical
support to the affected areas. Just two days later, all personnel needs
had been met. These hams helped to relay information back to the
Salvation Army's Joplin headquarters about inventory, requests for food
and drink and maintenance problems. Both the ARRL and SATERN greatly
appreciate the response from the amateur community.

==> + ARRL FIELD DAY: IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO PREPARE FOR FIELD DAY

Now is the time to start getting information out to the public about
your ARRL Field Day <http://www.arrl.org/fieldday> activities. ARRL
Field Day -- the largest on-the-air operating event -- is the one of
the best opportunities of the year for showing our Amateur Radio
capabilities to the public. ARRL Media and Public Relations Manager
Allen Pitts, W1AGP, notes that the ARRL has made many media materials
available for local use. "Our visibility to the public is important in
antenna, band preservation and texting issues, so we encourage you to
use this opportunity to showcase what Amateur Radio can do," he said.
Download an audio PSA that can air on your local radio stations here
<http://www.arrl.org/public-service-announcements>. Get a press
release, a government proclamation template and invitation letters that
you can use to invite your local officials to your Field Day site here
<http://www.arrl.org/files/file/Field-Day/2011/2011_FD_PR_info.pdf>.
Find high-definition video files suitable for airing on your local
television stations here <http://p1k.arrl.org/pub/pr/>. Get more
information on ARRL Field Day, including the 2011 ARRL Field Day logo
and operating tips here. More info, the logo and tips are here
<http://www.arrl.org/current-contact-issue>. Find a Field Day station
near you here <http://www.arrl.org/field-day-locator>. ARRL Field Day
is June 25-26.

==> + 2010 ARRL ANNUAL REPORT NOW AVAILABLE

The ARRL Annual Report for 2010 -- now available online
<http://www.arrl.org/annual-reports> and in print -- reviews the major
events of the year and documents the renewed growth of both the ARRL

and the activities of the Amateur Radio Service. For the fourth consecutive year, ARRL membership grew -- totaling 156,475 members at year end. In his introduction, ARRL Chief Executive Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ, noted numerous challenges facing the ARRL. "But we also have great strengths," he explained, "and if we harness them effectively over the next few years, the ARRL and Amateur Radio will be well positioned for a bright second century -- at least as bright as their first." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/2010-arrl-annual-report-now-available>.

==> WRC-12: US PROPOSES WRC-12 ALLOCATIONS FOR HF RADARS

The ARRL and its partners in the IARU have been involved in the preparations for several items on the 2012 World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC-12) agenda. Agenda item 1.15 is "to consider possible allocations in the range 3-50 MHz to the radiolocation service for oceanographic radar applications." Such radars have been in operation in coastal areas for many years, typically under experimental licenses.

Based on protection requirements for the Amateur Service that the IARU had arranged to be included in ITU documentation, the Conference Preparatory Meeting (CPM) Report for WRC-12 that was adopted in February concluded that sharing between oceanographic radars and the Amateur Service "seems to be difficult." Sharing studies, therefore, focused on in-band compatibility in the bands used only by the fixed and/or land mobile services. The CPM Report offers three methods of satisfying the agenda item through various combinations of primary and secondary allocations, with the objective of satisfying the operational need for safety systems (e.g. for the detection of tsunamis) and providing for the operation of other systems while protecting other allocated services from harmful interference. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/us-proposes-wrc-12-allocations-for-hf-radars>.

==> + CHECK OUT THE JULY ISSUE OF QST

The July issue of QST is jam-packed with all sorts of things that today's Amateur Radio operator needs. From product reviews to experiments to contesting, this issue of QST has something for just about everyone.

Radio amateurs who were active in the 1950s through the 1970s have most likely built a radio from a kit. But even 60 years later, hams can experience the fun that goes hand-in-hand with kit building. In his article "Electronic Kits Still in the Picture," Mark A. Lacy, W5TXR, says that hams today can still have the thrill of building a radio from kits that incorporate today's technology. Hams know that sunspots and solar activity influence band conditions. But how can we use that information ? QST Technical Editor Joel Hallas, W1ZR, explains the daily sunspot number, solar radio flux and more in his article "Solar Indices -- What Do They Mean?"

Join John Reisenauer Jr, KL7JR, as he takes to Canada's Northwest Territories and the Yukon to heed the call of the wild -- and the unpredictable challenges of Amateur Radio -- in his article "The Call Sign of the Wild." In his article "After the 73s," QST Assistant Editor Steve Sant Andrea, AG1YK, relates that although ARRL's Logbook of The World has changed the way many hams verify a contact, others still rely on QSL cards. Hams across the country participated in the 2010 ARRL Simulated Emergency Test, giving served agencies and the news media a public demonstration of our capabilities. ARRL Field Organization Supervisor Steve Ewald, NV1X, presents the results of the SET in the July issue.

<http://www.arrl.org/multimedia> ARRL Contributing Editor Howard Robins, W1HSR, takes a look at the Kenwood TH-D72A dual band handheld transceiver in this month's Product Review. He says that this rig "seamlessly folds APRS operation and a packet TNC into a full featured, easy-to-use dual band handheld." ARRL Contributing Editor Ward Silver, N0AX, checks out the Down East Microwave L222-28 1 meter transverter. He says the transverter "is a fine solution for amateurs looking to expand station coverage to the 1.25 meter band. It can be adapted to interface with a variety of radios and receivers, and transmits well." Silver also test drove the Tennadyne T-28 VHF/UHF log periodic antenna. He says that this antenna "is ruggedly built and will get you on six amateur bands with some gain from a single feed line."

Jay Townsend, WS7I, delivers the results of the 2011 ARRL RTTY Roundup. This year, participants in 132 countries submitted almost 1600 logs containing half a million contacts. Ken Harker, WM5R, has the results of the 2010 ARRL 10 Meter Contest. For the first time ever in this contest, Mexican states counted as multipliers, with 26 of the 32 Mexican states on the air.

Of course, there are the usual columns you know and expect in the July QST: Happenings, Hints & Kinks, The Doctor Is IN, How's DX, Technical Correspondence, Vintage Radio and more. Look for your July issue in your mailbox. QST is the official journal of ARRL, the national association for Amateur Radio. QST is just one of the many benefits of ARRL membership. To join or renew your ARRL membership, please see the ARRL Web page <https://www.arrl.org/join>.

==> + FCC NEWS: FCC TAKES STRONG STANCE AGAINST RADIO JAMMING, ISSUES $24,000 FINE TO CALIFORNIA MAN

On June 6, the FCC issued a Forfeiture Order <http://transition.fcc.gov/Daily_Releases/Daily_Business/2011/db0606/DA-11-990A1.pdf>
in the amount of $24,000 against Kevin W. Bondy of Encino, California, for engaging in unlicensed radio operation and intentional interference to licensed radio operations and for refusing to allow an inspection of his radio equipment by FCC personnel. Bondy -- licensee of General Mobile Radio Service (GMRS <http://wireless.fcc.gov/services/index.htm?job=service_home&id=general_mobil

e>)
Station WQGX752 -- is accused of repeatedly and intentionally jamming four land mobile frequencies assigned to The Oaks Shopping Center in Thousand Oaks, California.

In assessing the $24,000 fine, the FCC noted that it was responsible for making and enforcing regulations to prevent interference and to maintain control over the use of the radio spectrum in a manner that promotes the public interest and convenience. "Bondy's acts cut at the heart of the Commission's responsibilities to protect the nation's airwaves and regulate use of the spectrum," the Order said. "Bondy operated a radio without a license on the specific frequencies assigned and licensed by the Commission to The Oaks, for the explicit and expressed purpose of prohibiting The Oaks's use of its licensed frequencies. This type of conduct inhibits the Commission's ability to effectively regulate and maintain control over the use of the spectrum and will not be tolerated." Bondy has until July 6 to pay the fine.

==> + FCC NEWS: FCC SEEKS COMMENTS ON TERMINATING CERTAIN DOCKETED PROCEEDINGS

In a Public Notice
<http://transition.fcc.gov/Daily_Releases/Daily_Business/2011/db0603/DA-11-992A1.pdf>
(CG Docket No 11-99) released on June 3, the FCC's Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau (CGB <http://transition.fcc.gov/cgb/>) is seeking comments on whether or not it should terminate approximately 800 docketed proceedings
<http://transition.fcc.gov/Daily_Releases/Daily_Business/2011/db0603/DA-11-992A2.pdf>.
There are numerous proceedings pertaining to Amateur Radio on the list. These proceedings -- some going back to 1991 -- include dockets where no further action is required or contemplated, as well as those in which no pleadings or other documents have been filed since December 31, 2004. The record in a terminated docket will remain a part of the FCC's official records; the various pleadings, orders and other documents in that docket will continue to be accessible to the public, post-termination. With this Public Notice, the CGB is seeking comment from interested parties on the possible termination of those proceedings. Comments will be accepted within 30 days after the Public Notice is published in the Federal Register; reply comments must be filed within 45 days after publication. As of June 7, a publication date has not been set. Instructions on how to file comments are listed beginning on page 2 of the Public Notice
<http://transition.fcc.gov/Daily_Releases/Daily_Business/2011/db0603/DA-11-992A1.pdf>.

==> + ON THE AIR: ARRL VHF/UHF ADVISORY COMMITTEE SEEKS INPUT

The ARRL would like to encourage more participation in its several VHF/UHF contests held each year. Many of the HF transceivers sold in recent years include 50 MHz, and some also include the 144 and 432 MHz

bands with multi-mode capabilities. The question at hand is how can we encourage more owners of such radios to utilize these bands and modes to participate in VHF/UHF contests?

The ARRL VHF/UHF Advisory Committee (VUAC) has been asked to consider this question, and to make recommendations to encourage, explore and expand the ARRL VHF and UHF contests and other operating activities by using the multi-band and multi-mode capabilities of modern transceivers and related equipment.

The VUAC would like to ask the Amateur Radio community to provide their comments and ideas for consideration.

Please send any comments or ideas you have on this matter to your ARRL VUAC Division representative no later than July 1, 2011. A listing of each Division's VUAC representative can be found at http://www.arrl.org/arrl-staff-vuac-cac.

==> + ON THE AIR: NEW RUSSIAN PREFIX SYSTEM IN USE

If you have been on the HF bands lately, you may have noticed that a number of new prefixes are in use by stations in the Russian Federation. Here is a summary of the changes recently adopted by the Russian telecommunication authorities. Thanks to SRR President Roman Thomas, R5AA (ex-RZ3AA) for the information.

- Russian prefixes with the numeral 2 are no longer limited to Kaliningradsk. Stations with RA2 and UA2-UI2 (with F and K as the first letter in the suffix) are in Kaliningradsk; otherwise, these prefixes will used in European Russia.
- Stations with the following prefixes are in European Russia: R1, RA1-RZ1 (except RI1 as noted below), R2, RB2-RZ2, R3-R7, RA3-RZ7, UA1 and UA3-UI7. Also, stations with the prefixes R8, R9, RA8-RZ9 and UA8-UI9 (with F, S, T, W or X as the first letter in the suffix) are in European Russia.
- Except for those listed above, all stations with 8, 9 and 0 as the numeral are in Asiatic Russia.
- Russian Antarctic stations use temporary call signs in the series RI1ANA-RI1ANZ and RI00ANT to RI99ANT.
- Franz Jozef Land stations use temporary call signs RI1F, RI1FJ and RI1FJA-RI1FJZ.
- Malyj Visotskij island stations use temporary call signs RI1M, RI1MV and RI1MVA-RI1MVZ.

==> + CHANGING OF THE GUARD: GENE ZIMMERMAN, W3ZZ, TO RETIRE FROM "THE WORLD ABOVE 50 MHZ"

If you're a VHF+ fan, you probably read "The World Above 50 MHz," written by Gene Zimmerman, W3ZZ, of Gaithersburg, Maryland. For the last nine years, Zimmerman -- an ARRL Life Member -- has written this popular QST column, but the July 2011 issue will be his last. "When I accepted the duties of VHF Editor in 2002, I did so well knowing that my tenure would be circumscribed and likely not to exceed a decade in

time," he wrote in his farewell column. "There are many reasons for this, most importantly that an individual begins to run out of new ideas after a given amount of time and that the position -- and the readership -- would benefit from fresh viewpoints." Beginning with the August 2011 issue of QST, Jon Jones, N0JK, of Wichita, Kansas, will take over the column. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/gene-zimmerman-w3zz-to-retire-from-the-world-above-50-mhz>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "Until the Sun went down <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QqqBs6kkzHE>" Cook, K7RA, reports: Although higher early in the reporting week, the average daily sunspot numbers declined more than 4 points to 85.7, while the average of daily solar flux numbers was down 1.5 points to 101.6. The predicted solar flux for the near term is 88 on June 9-15, and 90, 95, 95, 92, 92 and 92 on June 16-21. The solar flux is then expected to rise to a peak of 115 on June 28. The predicted planetary A index is 20, 25, 12, and 8 on June 9-12, then 5 on June 13-22, then peaking at 15 on June 24-25. Check out this link <http://www.thesuntoday.org/current-observations/a-spectacular-event-a-filamentprominence-eruption-to-blow-your-socks-off/> sent by Scott Bidstrup, TI3/W7RI, showing some fantastic HD videos of recent solar eruptions. Look for more information on the ARRL website on Friday, June 10. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by The Human League's (Keep Feeling) Fascination <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/%28Keep_Feeling%29_Fascination>.

==> THERE'S STILL TIME TO ENTER THE 2011 ARRL PHOTO CONTEST!

Have you ever wanted to see a photo of yours in QST, the annual ARRL Amateur Radio Calendar or another ARRL publication? Well, here's your chance! If you're among the winners, not only will your photographic skill be propagated far and wide, but we're offering $100 as the First Prize. The winning photo and three runners-up will be published in QST. All submitted photos will also be considered for the 2012 ARRL Calendar.

- Deadline: Photos must be received at ARRL HQ by June 30, 2011.
- Subject: Must be directly related to Amateur Radio, and be in good taste. Extra points will be awarded for photos showing folks having fun with Amateur Radio. Photos will be judged on overall quality and composition.
- Requirements: Digital images or color prints accepted. A digital image printed on photo paper, however, doesn't work as well as a high-resolution file attachment. Digital images should be high resolution. A digital image up to 8 MB in size can be e-mailed to upfront@arrl.org, subject line "2011 Photo Contest." An image may also

be burned to a CD and mailed to ARRL Photo Contest, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111. All entries must include caption information describing where the photo was taken, along with a description of the subject of the photo, as well as the names and call signs of any persons shown. If you entered last year's contest, please do not resend the same photo for this year's contest. One entry per person.
- Miscellaneous: The decisions of the judges -- composed of QST editorial and production staff -- are final.

==> DXCC DESK APPROVES CURRENT VK0KEV MACQUARIE ISLAND DXPEDITION

ARRL DXCC Manager Bill Moore, NC1L, reports that the current VK0KEV DXpedition to Macquarie Island has been approved for DXCC credit. "If you had cards that were recently rejected for this operation, please send an e-mail <dxcc@arrl.org> to the ARRL DXCC Desk," Moore said. "Please note that due to extremely heavy e-mail, DXCC staff may not respond to your message. Once your record is updated, results will appear in Logbook of The World (LoTW <https://p1k.arrl.org/lotwuser/default>) accounts or in the live, daily DXCC Standings <http://www.arrl.org/dxcc/>."

==> THIS WEEK ON THE RADIO

This week:

- June 10 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- June 11 -- Portugal Day Contest; Asia-Pacific Sprint (SSB)
- June 11-12 -- DRCG Long Distance Contest (RTTY), VK Shires Contest; CWops Mini-CWT Test; GACW WWSA CW DX Contest; REF DDFM 6 Meter Contest
- June 11-13 -- ARRL June VHF QSO Party <http://www.arrl.org/june-vhf-qso-party>
- June 12 -- SKCC Weekend Sprint
- June 15 -- NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint

Next week:

- June 17 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- June 18 -- Feld Hell Sprint; AGCW VHF/UHF Contest
- June 18-19 -- West Virginia QSO Party; Stew Perry Topband Challenge; All Asian DX Contest (CW); SMIRK Contest
- June 19 -- WAB 50 MHz Phone Contest
- June 20 -- Run for the Bacon QRP Contest
- June 22 -- SKCC Sprint; NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint
- June 22-23 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- June 10-11 -- ARRL National Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arrl-national-convention-ham-com-2011>,
Plano, Texas
- June 11 -- ARRL Tennessee State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/tennessee-state-convention-1>, Knoxville,
Tennessee
- July 2 -- ARRL Eastern Pennsylvania Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/eastern-pennsylvania-section-convention-firecra
cker-hamfest-1>,
Marysville, Pennsylvania
- July 15-17 -- ARRL Montana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/montana-state-convention-glacier-waterton-inter
national-hamfest>,
Essex, Montana
- July 29-30 -- ARRL Oklahoma State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/oklahoma-state-convention-ham-holiday-2011>,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

To find a convention or hamfest near you, click here
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests>.

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560. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1765 - June 10 2011

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Source record: 4550
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Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1765 - June 10 2011

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1765 with a release date of Friday, June 10, 2011 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a QST. RADAR could come to 60 meters and displace ham radio, South Africa cancels the licenses of those who forgot to pay the annual fee; Amateur radio is well represented at the 2011 Hurricane Conference in Texas and meet some of the ham radio heroes of the Joplin tornado. All this and more on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1765 coming your way right now.

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RESCUE RADIO: THE HERO HAMS OF THE JOPLIN TORNADO

Some high drama has emerged in the aftermath of the tornado that ripped through Joplin, Missouri, on Sunday night May 22nd. It's a story of true ham radio heroism as supplied to us by Patti Flowers-Palmer, KD0AEL, and Amateur Radio Newsline's Don Carlson, KQ6FM, has the details:

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Patti Flowers-Palmer, KD0AEL, tells Amateur Radio Newsline that it was on Sunday evening, May 22nd while a young amateur was finishing with post Skywarn Net Control duties that a voice was heard calling for help over the 146.91, W0EBE, repeater. Caleb Burns, KD0BWT, responded to that call. It was coming from the Freeman Hospital in Joplin, Missouri. The news it carried was that a devastating F5 tornado had destroyed much of the community as well as its regional medical facility.

In that exchange, crucial medical supplies were ordered and medical teams were called to duty. Initially, the call was made by an Information Technology person at that location. He was relieved by Thomas Ellicott, N0EKP, who deployed to assist his own stricken community.

As that transmission was taking place, Steve Palmer KA0SPM, and his wife Patti KD0AEL, Andrew Brashers KD0HUN and Jonathan Rinty KD0OSF, all who had been deployed as Skywarn spotters, responded by driving to Cox South Hospital in Springfield, Missouri. Meantime, Tom Hargis WX0SML and Jamas Justice, KD0GUU, both of whom had been deployed with

Skywarn, drove to St. John's Regional Medical Center also located in Springfield. Both of these hospitals are regional Medical Centers for Southwest Missouri.

Upon arriving and finding that the radio rooms near the Incident Command Centers were void of any amateur equipment, operators at both locations began relaying information from doctors and nurses from using their own mobile radio gear. This, to begin the crucial process of moving injured from the overwhelmed Freeman Hospital to several Springfield trauma centers.

With immediate needs met, the hospitals worked with the amateurs to provide locations for the operators to set up mobile radios as base stations so that communications could continue. One was located in an incident command at St. John's and the other in the ambulance bay of Cox South. As this was occurring, KD0BWT grabbed a handie-talkie and headed for Ozarks Community hospital where he established mobile command. A short time later, Pat Conway WA6JGM and Clifton Smith KC0SQU responded by taking a mobile unit to Ozarks and setting up a more permanent station at that location.

The amazing band opening that had allowed the initial communications began to fade and KA0SPM deployed to the National Weather Service in Springfield where he relayed messages via the 145.21 repeater. That machine had survived the tornado that ravaged other parts of the Joplin area.

According to KD0AEL, before the night was over, there was a tremendous outpouring of offers from amateurs over the entire area who offered any assistance they could provide to keep communications flowing. During the week that followed, a number of hams continued to call to offer assistance and they were directed to the coordinators of the CERT search and rescue efforts.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Don Carlson, KQ6FM, reporting from Reno, Nevada.

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As a side note, Patti says that the operator that received the first transmission was on his honeymoon but had been acting as net control for the Greene County Skywarn. Talk about total dedication to duty. (KD0AEL)

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RESTRUCTURING: RADAR COULD COME TO 60 METERS

The 60 meter ham radio allocation could come under threat from low frequency RADAR. The ARRL and Southgate news both report that the United States has submitted a National Telecommunications and Informational Agency developed plan that could see 5.250 to 5.450 MHz being co-allocated to High Frequency Radar systems.

The NTIA proposals would see Radiolocation getting primary allocations that would include at 5.250 to 5.450 MHz as well as 14.350 to 14.990 MHz along with a number of others across the entire High Frequency spectrum. This would not only mean sharing or giving up 5 MHz, but it would also place wideband noise generating signals directly adjacent to the 20 meter band as well.

While there is no international allocation to the Amateur Service in the 5.250 to 5.450 MHz band, the United States and a growing number of other nations world-wide have authorized at least limited amateur operations on a non-interference basis to this spectrum

The full story is on-line at the ARRL website. You can get directly to it by using the shortcut of tinyurl.com/LFRADAR. (Southgate, ARRL, others)

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RADIO LAW: SOUTH AFRICA'S TELECOMMUNICATIONS REGULATOR CANCELS 34,000 LICENSES FOR NON PAYMENT

When is a ham not a ham? In South Africa it appears to be when he forgets to pay his yearly licensing fee. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, explains:

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South African hams who failed to pay their annual license fee, may now find that they are license free. This, after South Africa's telecommunications regulator the Independent Communications Authority of South Africa, better known as ICASA, has cancelled over 34,000 radio licenses that have remained unpaid for the past 365 days. This includes all amateur radio licenses that are in arrears for the past year.

According to the South African Radio League, ICASA's finance department did not consult with the regulatory agency's licensing department before taking this action. Rather, it simply cancelled all licenses unpaid for the past 365 days.

South African hams that had their license cancelled are being advised by the South African Radio League to call the Independent Communications Authority to have it reinstated. Those that have already paid only need to provide proof of payment. Those who have not paid up can do so by following the information and account number on their last valid license document.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, in Los Angeles.

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It should also be noted that as a courtesy ICASA normally sends out reminders that regulatory fees are due. However, the ultimate responsibility remains with the licensee to ensure that the license fee

is paid up at all times. (SARL)

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RADIO LAW: BILL TO AUTHORIZE ENGINEERS ON COMMISSIONERS STAFF INTRODUCED IN HOUSE

Meantime back in the United States, Representative Cliff Stearns from Florida has introduced House Bill 2102 This is a companion measure to Senate Bill 611, presented earlier this year by Senator Olympia Snowe of Maine. Both bills would authorize each FCC commissioner to appoint a fourth staff assistant who is an engineer or computer scientist.

Last March, the Society of Broadcast Engineers national leadership says that it met with Stearns' Washington staff and asked that he consider sponsoring the legislation. In a press statement, the SBE says that with bills now introduced in both Houses of Congress, it will be working to gain co-sponsors for each measure and will continue to push to see this legislation eventually approved by Congress and signed into law.

The president of the Society of Broadcast Engineers is Vinny Lopez. He is encouraging SBE members to write senators and representatives to ask them to support S.611 and H.R.2102. Radio amateurs who want to see more technical expertise returned to the FCC might want to read these two measures and comment on them as well. (RW)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the W4KEV repeater serving Knoxville, Tennessee.

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC FINES LOS ANGELES MAN $24,000 FOR UNLICENSED OPERATION

The FCC has come down hard on a Los Angeles area man that the agency alleges to have tried to run a shopping center off of its assigned land mobile channels. We have more in this report:

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Back in March of 2009 the FCC was asked by The Oaks shopping Center in the Los Angeles suburb of Thousand Oaks to investigate what appeared to be interference on the radio frequencies used by the mall's security officers. By March 5th, agents from the FCC's Long Beach office had T-hunted the source of the interference to an unlicensed and unauthorized repeater transmitter in a secured radio communications facility on Oat Mountain. Oat Mountain is a popular radio site at

about 3000' above surrounding terrain located in the Santa Susana Mountains North-West of Los Angeles. At that time the agent observed pulsating signals on 461.375 MHz and 466.375 MHz emanating from the repeater transmitter and also observed a beam antenna pointed in the direction of the shopping center.

On March 6, 2009, in an effort to locate the point of origin of the transmission from the, the agent again monitored 461.375 MHz and 466.375 MHz in the vicinity of The Oaks and observed pulsating signals that interfered with the normal transmissions on those frequencies.

Later that day, in consultation with personnel from The Oaks and the Ventura County Sheriff's Department, the Los Angeles agent used direction-finding to locate the source of the transmissions. This, while personnel from The Oaks spoke to the as yet unidentified subject on 464.7125 MHz and 462.8375 MHz.

During the time The Oaks personnel engaged in radio communications with the subject, he acknowledged he was intentionally interfering with the shopping centers ability to communicate in order to render its repeater unusable and to force The Oaks off of its licensed channels. Specifically, the subject told The Oaks personnel that they had "plenty of warning."

All this time the FCC had been busy T-hunting the signal and at approximately 7:30 p.m. the Los Angeles agent located the transmitter originating the voice transmissions to a vehicle parked at a National Park Service parking structure across the street from the shopping center. The Ventura County Sheriff's Department then secured the area and identified the subject as Kevin Bondy.

The Los Angeles agent identified himself to Bondy and explained that a refusal to allow an inspection could result in a fine. Then the agent asked Bondy if he could perform an inspection of all radios in his vehicle. Initially Bondy refused to allow an inspection, then a few minutes later, agreed to allow an inspection, then refused again after the Los Angeles agent began. Bondy's refusal was witnessed by Ventura County Sheriff's Department deputies.

About three months later on May 14, 2009, the Los Angeles Office issued a Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture to Bondy in the amount of $24,000. After being granted an extension by the Los Angeles Office, Bondy filed a response on August 21, 2009, arguing that he did not commit the violations, that he did not refuse to allow the inspection, and that he lacks the ability to pay the proposed forfeiture amount.

Now, in its In its June 6th notice, the FCC said that in deciding to affirm the $24,000 fine, the agency notes that it is responsible for making and enforcing regulations to prevent interference and to maintain control over the use of the radio spectrum in a manner that promotes the public interest and convenience. It says that Bondy's actions cut at the heart of the Commission's responsibilities to

protect the nation's airwaves and regulate use of the spectrum. As such, whether he can afford to pay it or not he can afford it, the $24,000 fine remains adding that the ability to pay a forfeiture is just one of the criteria the agency must consider when determining the appropriate forfeiture penalty for violations of the Communications Act and the FCC's own Rules. It then gave Bondy until July 6th to pay the amount in full.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the newsroom in Los Angeles.

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Bondy was ordered to pay in full the $25,000 fine within 30 days of the release date of its notice. If he fails to do so, the FCC says it can refer the case to the Department of Justice for collection. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: ANOTHER UNLICENSED BROADCASTER FEELS THE FCC $20000 NAL STING

The proposed fines to unlicensed broadcasters just keep on coming. This with word that the FCC is pursuing a $20,000 Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture that it has issued against Recardo Millwood for his alleged operation of an unlicensed radio transmitter on 88.9 MHz in The Bronx, New York.

According to its May 12th release, back on five occasions in late 2010, agents from the Enforcement Bureau's New York Office responded to a complaint regarding an apparent unlicensed broadcast station operating in the New York City borough of Bronx. In each instance they determined that the source of the transmissions was a radio station operating with a transmitter located in the building on White Plains Road and an antenna located on the roof of an adjacent building. A person who identified himself as Recardo Millwood stated that he was the owner and operator of the radio station that identified itself as Sela Radio.

During station inspections the agents verbally warned Millwood about the penalties for operation of an unlicensed radio station. These verbal warnings were followed up by written correspondence to Millwood but the FCC says the illegal transmissions continued.

Now it has acted by issuing Millwood the $20,000 Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture. This based on fact it had warned Millwood to cease transmissions on more than one occasion.

Millwood was given the customary 30 days to pay the proposed fine or to file an appeal. (FCC)

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RADIO LAW: FCC SEEKS PUBLIC COMMENTS ON CALM ACT

The FCC is asking for public comment on the implementation of the Calm Act, which aims to regulate the volume on TV commercials to that of associated programming.

The Calm Act was enacted by Congress last December 15th. It requires that the FCC adopt regulations for television broadcasters, cable operators and other multi-channel programming distributors on or before this December 15th to limit volume excursions between programming and commercials.

The legislation stems from numerous long term viewer complaints about excessively loud television commercials. In its Notice of Proposed Rule Making or NPRM issued May 27th, the FCC notes that commercial audio levels have been a leading source of criticism reported to the regulatory agency since its Consumer Call Center began reporting complaints in 2002. The NPRM addresses regulatory enactment, compliance, viewer complaint procedures, enforcement and other matters concerning adoption of the Calm Act.

Comments to the Notice of Proposed Rule Making will be accepted for 30 days after its publication in the Federal Register and reply comments will be due no later than 45 days after the Federal Register publication. The new regulations will go into effect one year after they are adopted. (FCC, TV Technology)

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RESCUE RADIO: HAM RADIO AT THE 2011 HURRICANE CONFERENCE

Amateur radio was well represented at the 2011 Hurricane Conference held at the George R. Brown Convention Center in Houston, Texas on Saturday June 4th. Members of the South East Unit headed by Emergency Coordinator, George Fletcher, AD5CQ, provided communications by shadowing key staff throughout the event. They also had a booth in the vendors section manned by Alfred Perez, N5VEV and Mike Urich, KA5CVH.

In addition to the one on one contact at the booth, ARRL literature on how to become a radio amateur along with information on Harris County ARES was available. A portable station was located at the booth for display and was also used as a net control point manned by Scott Reeve, KT5SR.

Contact information was collected from approximately 200 people who indicated that they were interested in learning more about ham radio. As a follow-up, each one will be contacted and directed to the closest area club that provides classes and testing sessions. This information will also be distributed to those clubs for follow-up.

Pictures of the event are on the Harris County ARES web-site. It's in cyberspace at the shortcut link of tinyurl.com/3h5caeh (KA5CVH)

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HAM RADIO POLITICS: AMSAT NA BOD NOMINATIONS DUE JUNE 15

The deadline for submission of nominations to serve on the AMSAT North America Board of Directors is Wednesday, June 15th. If you wish to serve, or you know someone you think should serve please nominate that person. Details are on line at www.amsat.org. (WA4SCA)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: GET WELL WISHES TO SOUTHGATE NEWS RICHARD BRUNTON G4TUT

A shout-out of get well wishes to our friend Richard Brunton, G4TUT, who operates the Southgate Amateur Radio Club news source website in the United Kingdom. For several days last week the Southgate clubs news log was not being updated. On Saturday, June 4th, Richard posted that he had been taken to the hospital on Tuesday, May 31st and was not released until last Saturday afternoon.

Since its inception, what's become known as the Southgate News has become the ham rtadio equivalent of a wire service to the world of amateur radio. As such is a truly valuable resource to all those who report the news of the hobby. Richard is its heart and soul and we wish him all the best in recovering from whatever ailment he had. (ARNewsline(tm), Southgate)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: K7BV SAYS HE'S NOW CANCER FREE

And some good news that many have been waiting to hear. Dennis Motschenbacher K7BV, who is the Executive Vice President of Amateur Radio Sales for Vertex-Standard says that he is now cancer free.

One of the most respected people in any aspect of the hobby, in August 2010, Dennis was diagnosed with throat cancer that had spread to lymph nodes on the right side of his neck. Since then, he has been going through very aggressive therapy to rid himself of the disease. And as his day to day health would allow, he chronicled his almost year long experience in an on-line blog simply titled Dennis K7BV Cancer: Uncensored. And in his May 26th entry he announced that he was officially cancer free and that: "life is good."

The only word that can be used to describe Dennis story of his battle to overcome the disease is inspirational. His blog is well worth reading by anyone, but especially by those who have been diagnosed with any life altering illness. If that's you, or if you know someone like that, send them to http://k7bvcancer.blogspot.com.

In the meantime, we know that you join us in saying, K7BV -welcome back. You were truly missed. (K7BV Blog)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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PUBLIC RELATIONS: A GREAT LESSON IN HAM RADIO PUBLIC RELATIONS

One of the best ever public relations spots ever done was aired recently on KCTV channel 5 in Kansas City. It featured only a reporter, two hams and an H-T, but is an excellent example of how an interview should take place.

The interviewees were Hamclass.org instructors, Brian Short, KC0BS and Matt May, KC4WCG. The HT was a Yaesu VX-7R, but it was the comments made by Short and May that made this such an outstanding bit of morning television:

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KC0BS: ""Actually, there are a lot of ways that people can get involved in a response, but all of them require some expertise. You need to bring something to the party, so as to speak. There's are great opportunities through the Red Cross, the Salvation Army and another great example of that is amateur radio."

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If you are a ham involved in publicizing the hobby, or just want to see how to do an interview correctly, then this is must watch television. Its now up on YouTube.com. You can reach it by taking the shortcut link of tinyurl.com/42ntagq (Various sources. Audio courtesy of YouTube)

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STRANGE BUT TRUE: BIRDS ATTACK TV STATION PERSONNEL

And heres one from the strange but true file. Looking a bit like the Alfred Hitchcock movie thriller "The Birds," staffers at Atlanta's WXIA television have been dodging an aggressive flock of Brown Thrashers near its studios. The birds appear to have taken up residence atop a driveway light pole and regularly swoop down to attack passers by. Video of these airborne assaults on the WXIA staff can be seen on-line at tinyurl.com/3qmxk4b (Broadcasting)

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: LASER AND FIBER OPTICS SET NET DATA SPEED RECORD

Researchers have set a new record for the rate of data transfer using a single laser. The speed reached is 26 terabits per second.

The trick was to use what is known as a "fast Fourier transform" to unpick more than 300 separate colors of light in a laser beam. Each is then encoded with its own string of information.

The technique is described in the journal Nature Photonics. The report says that at those speeds, the entire Library of Congress collections could be sent down an optical fiber in about 10 seconds. (Science OnLine)

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ON THE AIR: UK MANOR HOUSE OXBURGH HALL

On the air, news that the United Kingdom's Bittern DX Group will be activating Oxburgh Hall in Norfolk as GB2OH from June 16th to the 19th. Oxburgh Hall is a historic site that was built in 1482 by the Bedingfield family, whose descendants still live in parts of the estate but the property now maintained by the National Trust.

Sir Edmund Bedingfeld was granted a license to construct the manor by Edward IV. Bedingfeld built this medieval, moated home as a glorious status symbol, romantically adorned in the nature of a castle. More information regarding Oxburgh Hall can be found at the Bittern DX website or www.cashota.co.uk (RSGB)

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In DX, word that South Korean operators HL5FUA and 6K2GCW will be operational as 3D2CJ from Rotuma sometime and not between June 17th and the 24th as first announced. ctivity will be on 80 through 6 meters using CW, SSB and the digital modes. QSL via HL5FUA, direct or by the Bureau.

Another postponed operation is that of K9EL who was expected to be active from French Saint Martin this past week. At the last moment he informed the Ohio Penn DX Newsletter that it been postponed due to medical reasons. Specifically, John told the newsletter that he had developed chest pains and underwent surgery to install three stents in arteries around his heart. He added that he is unable to travel to French Saint Martin at this time, but that he will advise if he is able to re-schedule the trip for later in the month. In the meantime, we wish John a very speedy recovery.

VK4FW and VK4AN are expected to be active from Fiji as 3D2T and 3D2A between October 24th and November 9th. No details of their bands or modes have yet been provided. It was mentioned that they will participate in the CQ World Wide DX SSB Contest on October 29th and 30th. QSL 3D2T via VK4FW and 3D2A via VK4AN.

JI3QBQ will be operational portable AH0 from Saipan in the Northern Mariana Islands from between June 11th and the 14th. Activity will be on the High Frequency bands. QSL via JI3QBQ.

Lastly, keep an ear open for special event station TM6JUN to be active until June 15th. This operation is to commemorate "D-Day" which was June 6, 1944 on the beachhead at Normandy, France. Operations are on 160 through 6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via F5SAZ, either direct or via the bureau.

(Above from various DX News Sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: TECHNOLOGY AND THE ARTS - FUTURE DANCE

And finally this week, something a bit different in the meaning of the word "communications." Its out of the performing arts meets modern technology file and involves a performer and a choreographer of Dance Theater living in New York. Her name is Ashley A. Friend and she recently teamed up with another choreographer named Michael Freeman to produce a rather amazing video and live performance titled Future Dance. What makes Future Dance different is through the use of modern digital technology Ashley appears to be completely disassembling and reassembling herself as she performs:

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Ashley Friend: "I was doing some modern ballet movements and then the video was sort of spliced into sections to make it (the sections) go slower or faster all the way from the feet to the tip of the finger so that the feet would move and the rest of it would be very disjointed. The rest of the body would stay (in position) and then the knees would move and then the hand would move and it would start moving in more and more of a circular pattern."

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No, Ashley does not really go to pieces. Rather it's all the proverbial smoke and mirrors in the form of some amazing and very modern digital techniques in the hands of a video production artist known as Peyton:

Future Dance was performed on Saturday, April 30th at the Gaga Arts Center in Garnerville, New York. You can it on-line at tinyurl.com/futuredance. More of Ashley's work can by seen on YouTube by searching for Ashley A. Friend. Her own website is www.dancecore.org.

Also, you can hear our complete interview with Ashley on this weeks RAIN Report. Its on-line right now at www.therainreport.com.

As we said at the beginning of this story, combining the performing arts with modern digital technology is yet another way for mankind to communicate. (ARNewsline(tm))

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB, the Southgate News and Australia's W-I-A News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is newsline@arnewsline.org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California, 91350

And a reminder that the nominating period for the year 2011 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award is now open. Created by Newsline back in 1986, this award is offered to recognize one young United States or Canadian radio amateur age 18 or younger for his or her contributions to society through Amateur Radio.

As in years past, the 2011 recipient will receive an expense paid trip to the Huntsville Hamfest in Huntsville Alabama courtesy of Vertex-Standard Corporation which produces Yaesu brand amateur radio gear. Vertex-Standard will also present this years winner with a special ham radio related gift. CQ Magazine will again treat the recipient to a week at Spacecamp-Huntsville. We at Amateur Radio Newsline will present the winner with a plaque honoring his or her achievements.

All nominations and materials required by the official rules must be received by ARNewsline before June 30, 2011. A downloadable nominating form is at our website at www.arnewsline.org. A nominating form can also be obtained by sending a request along with a self addressed stamped envelope to the Young Ham of the Year Award in care of Amateur Radio Newsline, Inc. 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California 91350.

Again, the cutoff date for these years Young Ham of the Year Award nominations is June 30th. We ask you to do your part by nominating a young ham who has done something special related to ham radio. The nomination form is at www.arnewsline.org.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 12th June 2011

The news headlines:

* WRC-12 preparation on Oceanographic radars on 5MHz

* Latest DXpedition to Macquarie Island approved for DXCC credit

* ARISSat-1 challenge

Some members may have noticed the ARRL news item on Oceanographic radars on 5MHz, which concerns a US proposal in the WRC-12 preparatory process for allowing wave-sensing radars to use 5.250 - 5.450MHz, amongst other frequencies. Whilst the Inter-American Telecommunication Commission, CITEL, may adopt this proposal, our regional telecommunications organisation, CEPT, is moving toward a European Common Proposal that in the 5MHz region proposes the band 5.060 – 5.160MHz.

ARRL DXCC Manager reports that the current VK0KEV DXpedition to Macquarie Island has been approved for DXCC credit. If you have cards that were recently rejected for this operation, send an e- mail to the ARRL DXCC Desk. Once your record is updated, results will appear in Logbook of The World accounts or in the live, daily DXCC Standings.

ARISSat-1 is scheduled for deployment from the International Space Station in July. It has a composite VHF downlink that will fit into the FUNcube Dongle receive spectrum. The telemetry is 1000 bps BPSK and can also be received with a normal SSB 2m receiver. The expected signal levels from ARISSat should be similar to those expected from FUNcube itself. The team are keen to discover what will be the minimum and best type of antennas for schools to use with a FUNcube Dongle. Therefore user experience with the ARISSat signals will be very valuable in making this determination. To encourage everyone to receive ARISSat signals, AMSAT UK are challenging listeners. There are a number of categories for this challenge for both 2m receiver and Dongle users. Full details can be found at www.uk.amsat.org.

A report on ISP Review says that a pilot using Broadband over Power Line will take place in the village of Shap in Cumbria. This pilot is being run alongside the installation of Smart Meters and there are concerns that BPL may be deployed along with the rollout of Smart Meters in the rest of the UK. The pilot is being run by a USA based telecoms firm called Gridline Communications that has teamed up with

Electricity Northwest, Cable and Wireless Worldwide and T-Systems. You can read the ISP Review report at www.ispreview.co.uk under news headlines for 7 June. The RSGB EMC committee has written to Ofcom about this pilot. The May issue of the EMC Journal also has several important stories on the growing problem of interference to radio reception from consumer PLT devices. Download issue 94 of the EMC Journal from www.compliance-club.com/pdf/Issue94.pdf. A new amateur radio group has been formed for radio amateurs who are also members of one of the emergency services. The group will initially be coordinated via Facebook. It is open to retired or serving members of any of the emergency services and is free to join. Simply search for Emergency Services Amateur Radio DX Group on Facebook and sign up, or contact Jim, GM0GMN, QTHR, for further information.

The International Museums weekend is being held over the two weekends of 18 and 19 June and again 25 and 26 June. All individual amateurs, groups and clubs are encouraged to work with their local museums to host a special event station. The museums taking part over the years have included ships, castles, air museums, Napoleonic forts, pumping stations, wireless museums, racing museums and many others. There really is no shortage of venues in which such an event can be staged, no matter where you might live. Those clubs and museums that do decide to take part should please use the online Registration facility at www.ukradioamateur.co.uk/imw. The Registration is simply to assist the organisers in administration of the event and provide those taking part with an indication of how many and exactly where the museums taking part are located.

The Open University Students Association Amateur Radio Forum is going QRT this month, brought about by changes to the new virtual learning environment. Over its OU life the forum has had many a world wide radio enthusiast who are students of the Open University call in to the forum. It is hoped that under the new OU environment another forum can rise up.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

The 10th Junction 28 QRP Rally will take place today, 12 June, at Alfreton Leisure Centre, Church Street, Alfreton, Derbyshire DE55 7BD. The venue is just 10 minutes from junction 28 of the M1 and the A38. Doors open at 10am and there will be trade stands and a Bring & Buy, special interest groups and catering. More details from Russell Bradley, G0OKD on 01773 783658.

Also today, 12 June, the Ipswich Radio Rally will be held at The Orwell Crossing Lorry Park, A14 Eastbound, Nacton, Ipswich IP10 0DD. There will be a car boot sale, a Bring & Buy, RSGB bookstall and Special Interest Groups in attendance. Doors open at 9.30am and the entry fee is £1. Contact Steve, M1ACB on 07711 329624.

A Train the Trainers course will take place on 18 June at the Old Mill Community Centre, West Street, South Normanton, Derbyshire. The event

will start at 10am and includes a free lunch as well as a raffle. If any tutors would like to attend, please contact Jim Stevenson, G0EJQ, by e-mail to g0ejq@live.co.uk.

The Newbury Radio Rally and Boot Sale will take place on 19 June at the Newbury Showground, next to M4 junction 13. There will be a big display area of amateur radio stations, exhibitions, special groups, clubs and societies. There is free car parking, admission is £2 and doors open at 9am. Sellers have access from 8am and pitches cost £10. Details from rally@nadars.org.uk. Now for the news of special events

King's Lynn Amateur Radio Club is having a field day station in the grounds of Castle Rising Castle, by kind permission of Lord Greville Howard, today, Sunday 12 June. The station will be operating on all HF bands. Any amateurs in the King's Lynn area on that day are welcome to call in and see the station. The castle is north of Kings Lynn, just off the A149 Hunstanton road.

Reading and District Amateur Radio Club will be operating GB2MBA for Museums on the Air on 18 and 19 June at the Museum of Berkshire Aviation, Mohawk Way, Woodley.

GB2RAF will be on the air from the RAF Air Defence Radar Museum at RAF Neatishead, Norfolk NR12 8YB on 18 June for International Museums on the Air Weekend.

Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society will put GB0BON on the air on 19 June to commemorate the 366th anniversary of the Battle of Naseby. The station will be located at Rupert's Viewpoint, just south of Market Harborough in Leicestershire, on the Clipston Road. Rupert's Viewpoint is one of the highest vantage points in the area.

Bittern DX Group will be activating Oxburgh Hall as GB2OH until 19 June as part of the Castles and Stely Homes on the Air programme. More information can be found at the Bittern DX website or at www.cashota.co.uk.

And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

On 11 June, a three day activation of market Reef will commence. They will have two stations active as OJ0B, primarily for 17, 20 and 30m CW and SSB. It is also expected that one of the lighthouse keepers, Harri, OH6VM/OH0VM will follow the group for another week with the beam. QSL via OH2BH.

J48O will be on the air from Kastri lighthouse on the Othonoi islet, which is IOTA reference EU-052, from 17 to 25 June. More information can be found on QRZ.com.

John, K9EL will be active from the Caribbean island of Saint Martin as FS/K9EL until 19 June. He will use CW, SSB and some RTTY on all bands from 6 to 80m during his stay there. QSLs go via the home callsign and logs will be uploaded to Logbook of the World. Now the contest news

The 6-hour Practical Wireless 2m Low Power Contest takes place on Sunday 12th, the first four hours of which coincides with the 2m Backpackers event. The maximum power level is 3 watts and multipliers are locator squares. Starting at 0900UTC, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator. Low power enthusiasts will be heading for the hills again for the 2nd 144MHz Backpackers contest between 0900 and 1300UTC. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The 432MHz UK Activity Contest takes place on 14 June from 1900 to 2130UTC. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The following day, 15 June, is the latest CW leg of the 80m Club Championships from 1900 to 2030UTC. The exchange is signal report and serial number.

The biggest RSGB VHF event of the month is undoubtedly the 50MHz Trophy, which takes place for 24 hours over the weekend of 18-19th. There will be plenty of UK portables operating, some from rarely activated squares, so unless your locator map has all the squares coloured in there's likely to be potential for working some new ones. This event is often blessed with enhanced propagation for at least part of the time, so as well as the potential to work some new UK squares, some new Continental ones might also come your way. Operation is from 1400 to 1400UTC, using all modes and the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The Worked All Britain 50MHz Phone contest takes place next Sunday, 19 June, from 0900 to 1500UTC. The exchange is signal report, serial number and WAB square. Full details of the rules and logsheets may be obtained from the WAB website www.worked-all-britain.co.uk or from the Contest Manager, G3XKT, by e-mail to aebbooks@ntlworld.com.

The IRTS 80m Counties contest also takes place on the 19th from 1400 to 1700UTC. For those outside EI/GI, work EI and GI only. Send a report and serial number, and expect to receive the same plus County And now the solar factual data for the period from the 30th of May to the 5th of June, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on the 6th of June.

With numerous sunspot groups visible every day, all were small and quiet except for two regions that produced C class solar flares every day except for the 4th and the 5th. By then they had decayed and became much smaller. With a couple of the larger solar flares a coronal mass ejection took place. Solar flux levels declined from 114 units on the 1st to 103 by the 4th and the 5th. The average was 109 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 5th was 106 units, that's two units down on the previous week. X-ray flux levels averaged B3.2 units and showed little variation day to day. Geomagnetic activity was quiet on the 30th but by the 31st and the 1st, a coronal mass ejection arrived that departed the Sun on the 29th. The Ap index for the 31st and the 1st was 13 and 12 units respectively. Activity returned to quiet levels till the 4th and the 5th when the Ap index increased to 15 and 27 units

respectively. This disturbance was in response to a coronal mass ejection which occurred on the 2nd and a coronal hole disturbance arriving around the same time. The average was Ap 13 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds decrease from 720 kilometres per second on the 30th to 380 by the 3rd before speeds increased again to 560 by the end of the period. Particle densities were low but increased to 22 and 18 particles per cubic centimetre on the 4th and the 5th respectively. Bz varied between minus and plus 4 nanoTeslas on the quiet days and between minus 19 and plus 20 nanoTeslas during the disturbance on the 4th.

And now the solar forecast. This week the quiet side of the Sun is expected to be looking our way. Solar activity should be very low to low. Unless a large sunspot group appears during the week, solar flux levels are expected to be around the 90's or even lower into the 80's. Easier to forecast are coronal holes, which rotate like sunspots every 28 days. Sunspot groups tend not too last for more than a couple of rotations, at least at this stage of the cycle anyway. However, coronal holes can last for many months and for this reason are much easier to forecast. A coronal hole disturbance should be taking place today and maybe tomorrow but then for the rest of the week activity should be at quiet levels. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 22MHz for the south and 19MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be around 12MHz. Paths this week to the east coast of North America should have a maximum usable frequency of about 23MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be around 17MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 1500 and 2200 hours. This path should be open via multi-hop sporadic-E on 28 and 50MHz on some days. Now, at the peak of the summer season expect openings almost everyday on the lower VHF bands and also occasionally on 144MHz.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your

transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS On Sunday 12 June South Normanton Alfreton & District Amateur Radio Club is running the Junction 28 QRP Rally at Alfreton Leisure Centre. Details from A Lawrence, 2E0BQS, by email to adylawri@btinternet.com.

On Sunday 12 June Hucknall Rolls Royce Amateur Radio Club will be at the Junction 28 Rally. More information from Dave Wilde, G1YAI, on 0844 4355593.

On Monday 13 June Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is operating HF. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548478, daytime.

On Monday 13 June South Birmingham Radio Society is painting and renovating the shack. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Monday 13 June South Normanton Alfreton & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a rally post mortem. Details from A Lawrence, 2E0BQS, by email to adylawri@btinternet.com.

On Tuesday 14 June Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 14 June Eagle Radio Group is having a talk on toy making by Gordon, G4WEC. Details from Terry, G0SWS, on 01507 478590.

On Tuesday 14 June Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is having an evening on oscilloscopes and invites members to bring theirs along. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Tuesday 14 June Mid-Warwickshire Amateur Radio Society is having a technical topics evening. Details from Don, G4CYG, on 019 2642 4465.

On Tuesday 14 June Worcester Radio Amateurs Association is having a talk. For more information email Rich Moles, 2E0MOL, via secretary@m0zoo.co.uk.

On Wednesday 15 June Lincoln Short-Wave Club is visiting Bateman's Brewery. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

On Wednesday 15 June Midland Amateur Radio Society is having a laptop computer evening and training classes. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 01214 229 787. On Wednesday 15 June South Kesteven Amateur Radio Society is having a quiz night with questions provided by Graham, 2E0GLE. Contact Nigel, M0CVO, on 01476 402550.

On Wednesday 15 June Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is having an illustrated talk on the Papua New Guinea DXpedition by G3UKV and G3JKX. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday 16 June Cheltenham Amateur Radio Association is having a talk on Radio Winchcombe by Philip Arkell. Contact Derek Thom, G3NKS, on 01242 241099.

On Thursday 16 June South Birmingham Radio Society is having training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Friday 17 June Bromsgrove & District Amateur Radio Club is preparing its special events station. Contact Chris, M0BQE on 01905 776 869.

On Friday 17 June Coventry Amateur Radio Society is taking part in the 2nd Round G4ZMC Trophy at Hatton Locks. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777363.

On Friday 17 June Nunsfield House Amateur Radio Group is having a talk on planet hunting by Andy Barker. Details from Ken Frankcom, G3OCA, on 01332 720976.

On Friday 17 June South Birmingham Radio Society is having a construction evening. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Saturday 18 June Lincoln Short-Wave Club is in the shack. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

On Saturday 18 June Telford & District Amateur Radio Society commences its weekend event for the 6m Trophy contest at IO82NN. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Saturday 18 June Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society commences its weekend special event station operation, GB0BON, at Rupert's Viewpoint. For more information contact Peter D Rivers, G4XEX, on 01858 432105.

On Sunday 19 June Coventry Amateur Radio Society starts its weekend event operating GB4H for International Museums on the air from The Herbert Art Gallery & Museum, Jordon Well, Coventry CV1 5QP. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777363.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND On Monday 13 June Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night and is on the air. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 0191 477 0036.

On Monday 13 June Bolton Wireless Club is having an RF tests and measurements evening with Bob, G8DTF, looking at spectrum analysis. For details, send an email to boltonwireless@gmail.com.

On Monday 13 June Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by Steve Webster, M1ERS, on SteppIR antennas. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk. On Monday 13 June Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on Japanese Morse. Details on the web at www.tcars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 14 June Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is having a debrief on the Halifax Charity Gala and a look forward to the Birghouse Charity Gala on Saturday 25th June. Contact Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341317.

On Wednesday 15 June Denby Dale Radio Club is having a club night. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220126.

On Wednesday 15 June Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the 80m CC CW and having a talk on PAT testing by G0AZQ. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240573.

On Thursday 16 June Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is holding an Advanced examination. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 0191 477 0036.

On Thursday 16 June Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air and having a club night. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 0787 608 5631.

On Thursday 16 June South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having an introduction to the digital modes by Ian, M0BXR. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 0161 969 3999.

On Friday 17 June East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is on the air. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND On Monday 13 June Greenisland Electronics Amateur Radio Society is on the air on 2m. The club is also looking for anyone interested in operating or assisting in this year's VHF National Field Day. Training in contest operation will be given over the next few weeks. Details from Peter Lowrie, MI5JYK, by email to mi5jyk@rsgb.org.uk.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Sunday 12 June Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the Practical Wireless 144MHz QRP Contest. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723.

On Tuesday 14 June Kilmarnock & Loudoun Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on SSTV by Ian, MM0SOB. Contact Graham, MM3GDC, by email to mm3gdc@btinternet.com.

On Tuesday 14 June Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having an operating evening. Details from Norman, on 07740 946192.

On Wednesday 15 June Ayr Amateur Radio Group is having a video night. Details from Tom Ferguson, GM1OST, on 01292 532 088.

On Wednesday 15 June West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society has Solder Group homebrew projects & licence training. More information from Fred Coombes, 2M0BIN, on 01415 715512. On Thursday 16 June Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is on the air and holding a construction evening. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663.

On Friday 17 June West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society is having presentations, guest speakers, a quiz and a raffle. More information from Fred Coombes, 2M0BIN, on 01415 715512.

On Saturday 18 June Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club commences its weekend event for Museums on the Air, operating GB2MOF at the Museum of Flight, East Fortune. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA On Sunday 12 June Bromley & District Amateur Radio Society is attending the Bromley Pageant of Motoring. Details from Andy, G4WGZ, on 01689 878089.

On Sunday 12 June Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is taking part in the PW 144MHz QRP contest. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Sunday 12 June Felixtowe & District Amateur Radio Society is at the ESWR Rally. More information from Paul, G4YQC, by email to pjw@btinternet.com.

On Monday 13 June Coulsdon Amateur Transmitting Society is holding its annual DF hunt. Details from Steve Beal, G3WZK, by email to secretary@catsradio.org.

On Monday 13 June West Kent Amateur Radio Society is having a presentation on NVIS propagation by Mike Rose, G3VPA. More information from Les, G6UBM, by email to westkentars@googlemail.com.

On Tuesday 14 June Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720815.

On Tuesday 14 June Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is having a club net night. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Tuesday 14 June Harwell Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on linear amplifiers by Peter, G3RZP. Contact Malcolm, G8NRP, on 01235 524844.

On Wednesday 15 June Bury St Edmonds Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on kite antennas by Roger, G4ROJ. Details from. Details from George Woods, G3LPT on 01359 259518.

On Wednesday 15 June Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting at Danbury Village Hall. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Wednesday 15 June Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is having a technical topic talk on DF antennas & operation by Terry, G0VFW. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday 15 June Havering & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on ASPR by Alan Paul, G3RJI. More information from John, M0UKD, on 07890 222111. On Wednesday 15 June Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is making preparations for the Barford Radio Rally and participating in the RSGB CC CW contest. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898678.

On Wednesday 15 June Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a discussion evening. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816684.

On Thursday 16 June Colchester Radio Amateurs is conducting portable antenna experiments and holding its summer buffet. More information from Kevan, 2E0WMG, on 07766 543784.

On Thursday 16 June Cray Valley Radio Society is holding its annual DF Hunt, commencing at 8pm. Details from Bob, M0MCV, on 020 8265 7735 after 8pm.

On Thursday 16 June Horndean & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the SS Great Britain by Doug Hotchkiss, G4BEQ. Contact Stuart, G0FYX, on 023 9247 2846.

On Thursday 16 June Horsham Amateur Radio Club Social - The Countryman Inn, Shipley. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk.

On Thursday 16 June Sutton & Cheam Radio Society is having a talk on Susy Radio by John Stockley, G8MNY. More information from John, G0BWV, on 020 8644 9945.

On Friday 17 June Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is holding a radio night. Contact Peter, G4AKG, on 01444 239371.

On Friday 17 June Wey Valley Amateur Radio Group is having a talk on CQWW from Cyprus by John Warburton, G4IRN. Details on the web at www.weyvalleyarg.org.uk.

On Saturday 18 June Hastings Electronics & Radio Club is holding an auction of new and used equipment, mainly gear donated to the Club by recent silent keys. The sale is being held at the Holy Redeemer Church Hall in Upper Church Road, TN37 7AS. The sale is a week later than previously advertised due to double-booking of the hall. Doors open at 9am for viewing & booking in lots and the sale starts at 10.15am. Details from Gordon, on 01424 431909.

On Saturday 18 June Bittern DX Group commences its weekend Boys and their Toys event, GB2OH, at Oxburgh Hall. Details from Linda, G0AJJ, on 01692 404154.

On Saturday 18 June Horndean & District Amateur Radio Club starts operating its weekend special event station, GB0RMM, at the Royal Marines Museum, Eastney, Portsmouth, as part of the International Museums on the Air weekend. Contact Stuart, G0FYX, on 023 9247 2846.

On Saturday 18 June Reading & District Amateur Radio Club commences its weekend event for Museums on the Air at the Museum of Berkshire Aviation, Mohawk Way, Woodley. Details from Pete, G8FRC, on 01189 695 697.

On Sunday 19 June Newbury & District Amateur Radio Society is running the Newbury Radio Rally. For more information contact Rob, G3LMW, on 01635 862737. On Sunday 19 June South Essex Amateur Radio Society is running a field event, operating GB2BM at Bay Museum for International Museums on the Air. Contact Norman, M0FZW, on 01268 692776.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST On Sunday 12 June Poldhu Amateur Radio Club is having a beginners' guide to local ATV in Cornwall by Keith Holland, G3MCD. Details from Keith Matthew, G0WYS, by email to vickeith@globalnet.co.uk.

On Monday 13 June Exeter Amateur Radio Society is having a club night at the Moose Centre. More information from Nick, on 01363 775756.

On Monday 13 June Plymouth Training Team will be starting a new Foundation licence course from 7pm at The Cherry Tree, Ham Drive, Plymouth. The course will last for six Mondays, with the examination on the seventh Monday. Contact Bob, G7NHB by email to g7nhb@hotmail.co.uk.

On Tuesday 14 June Blackmoor Vale Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on his shack by Dennis, M6DGM. Contact Tony, G0GFL, on 01258 860741.

On Tuesday 14 June Mid Somerset Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by Geoff Plucknett, G4FKA on his past and upcoming IOTA expeditions. Contact Nick, M6NJB, on 01749 346320.

On Wednesday 15 June Taunton & District Amateur Radio Club is participating in RSGB CC Contest, CW. Contact William, G3WNI, on 01823 666 234 for more information.

On Wednesday 15 June Trowbridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night and holding a committee meeting. Details from Ian, G0GRI, on 01225 864 698, evenings and weekends.

On Thursday 16 June South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is having a barbecue. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695471.

On Thursday 16 June Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is holding an activity night. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317750.

On Thursday 16 June Yeovil Amateur Radio Club is having a fox hunt. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk.

On Friday 17 June Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

On Saturday 18 June Appledore & District Amateur Radio Club is having a cake and cream tea afternoon at Laurence's QTH. Contact Brian Jewell, M0BRB, on 01237 473251 for more information.

NEWS FOR WALES No news has been received for Wales this week.

562. SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 12 JUNE 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 12 JUNE 2011

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. PLEASE NOTE: for audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 and 3,695 MHz SSB.

SILENT KEYS

It is with regret that we must announce the keys of two radio amateurs went silent recently, they are:

John van Hoogstraten, ZS1CR, on Monday 6 June and

Pieter Smith, ZS6BGX, of Tzaneen and member of the Wolkberg Amateur Radio Club on Wednesday 8 June in the age of 82 years.

Our sincere condolences go to their families and friends.

(PAUSE)

In the news today:

Message re Telescopic masts

TWO MAJOR EVENTS THIS WEEK

FOUR RADIO AMATEURS RECOGNISED FOR THEIR ACHIEVEMENTS

119 NEW AMATEURS GET THEIR CALL SIGNS

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting news items.

TWO MAJOR EVENTS THIS WEEK

The SARL is holding two major events this week, Youth Day on 16 June and the Programming in Windows course on Saturday 18 June 2011 at the NARC in Gauteng.

Book for the "Learning to program in windows" before Wednesday to secure your place on the course. The course will only be presented once in each venue. Full details are on www.sarl.org.za. Learn how to produce your own applications in Windows and how to run peripherals from USB ports. An optional USB interface that will switch relays and read push buttons and voltages is available. Design your own shack control program with stand-alone applications. You can do it!

Celebrate Youth Day on 16 June with a series of events starting with monitoring SumbandilaSat, SO67, just before 08:00, a series of interviews with young people about amateur radio at 09:30 on 7 082 kHz, 14 250 kHz and on 145,750 MHz in Gauteng. You can also listen on the podcast and on the web or do you own relay on the local repeater. Get young people talking? Invite them into your shack or set up in a public space. There are many prizes to be won for both the young people and the amateurs hosting them. Get all the details on www.hamradio.org.za.

ICASA has agreed that all radio amateurs who host young people and submit a log are automatically granted "educational station status" which means that you may let unlicensed young people operate your equipment under your supervision. Make this the biggest and best youth day event ever.

The youth day sprint takes place from 10:00 - 12:00 CAT. Get the details from the SARL Contest manual on www.sarl.org.za.

ZS50RSA ON THE AIR DURING YOUTH DAY

The Boland Amateur Radio Club will be using a special callsign, ZS50RSA this coming Thursday, during the Youth Day festivities, from 09:00 till late in the afternoon. The station will mainly be using 40m but will move to other bands as deemed necessary. Make contact with the station and send your QSL via the bureau or make use of SA-QSL.

FOUR RADIO AMATEURS RECOGNISED FOR THEIR ACHIEVEMENTS

This week the South African Amateur Radio Development Trust recognised four radio amateurs for their achievements in the various sectors of the amateur radio service.

Winning the 2011 award for technical innovation, Hannes Coetzee ZS6BZP received the state of the art Icom IC7000 transceiver for his entry in the innovation competition sponsored by Multisource. He designed and developed a software derived receiver for the reception of satellite signals from low earth orbiting amateur satellites operation on 2 m and 70cm. The aim of the competition was to encourage more innovation in amateur radio. The unit he developed is not just innovative but has practical application in amateur radio. The article describing the receiver will be available on www.amateurradio.org.za and be published in Radio ZS later this year.

Nokia Siemens Networks annually sponsors three awards as well as the award function. The Garth Milne Radio Amateur of the Year Award Technology was been bestowed on Hal Lund ZS6WB for his untiring support

of amateur radio satellite activity and his encouragement of the amateur community to experiment with space communication. Unfortunately he could not attend the function due to ill health and the award was accepted on his behalf by Pierre van Deventer.

The NSN Radio Amateur of the Year Award - Operational was presented to Johann Du Plessis ZS6PSS for his support of the John Vorster Technology high School Amateur Radio Club and young radio amateurs in general. Under his guidance the club is the largest and most successful school based amateur radio club in South Africa. A model to be followed!

The NSN Radio Amateur of the Year Award - Community Service was presented to Paul van Spronsen ZS1PVS for his support of SARL HAMNET and communication disaster and sporting support communication in the Western Cape. Although relatively new to amateur radio he has made his mark and is recognised for his excellent work.

Congratulations to all winners and thanks to the sponsors Nokia Siemens Networks and Multisource.

HAVE YOU CHECKED THAT YOU HAVE PAID YOUR AMATEUR RADIO LICENCE?

Check that you have paid your license and if you do not have a valid printed license or an official receipt call ICASA at 011 566 3313 or 011 566 3319 between 08:30 - 16:00 Monday - Friday. PLEASE HAVE YOUR LICENSE NUMBER HANDY. If you have not paid, do so now using the information and account number on your last license. The amount is R7.50 for January - March 2011 and R27 for April 2011 - March 2012, a total of R34.50

CHANGING FROM ZR TO ZS?

You don't have to as both are now class A licenses and have full access to HF. In fact a ZR may be more rare than a ZS when it comes to DX. If you however want to change, check out the details on www.sarl.org.za where it spells out what you have to do.

NEW MEMBERS

The SARL welcomes the following new members to its community: Erik Seather, ZSL1015 Amanda Green, ZSL1022 Wynand Steenberg, ZSL1023 Ockert Strydom, ZSL1024 Marnus Meyer, ZSL1025 Thinus Joubert, ZSL1026 en Conrad Human, ZSL1027 May your association with the SARL be mutually beneficial.

119 NEW AMATEURS GET THEIR CALL SIGNS

The Radio Amateur Examination results were published over last weekend on the web but were too late to make the SARLNEWS cut off time.

The youngest candidate who wrote the class B exam is 9 years old and the youngest who wrote the class A exam is 11 years old. The oldest person to write is 71 years. The overall pass rate for class A is 79% and Class B 50%.

Examiner Mark Zank, ZS6YES, said that he is concerned about the low Class B pass rate as it seems that candidates did not spend enough time with the study guide which is available free of charge on the web. Every question asked in the examination comes from the guide. "Although this is an entry level examination, care needs to be taken to study the material and to take note of the contents of the study notes", he said.

JG Woodburne, ZS3JW, with 97% scored the highest marks in the Class A examination and J Flemming, ZU3JW, achieved 97% in the Class B RAE. Both reside in the Northern Cape town of Kathu. Congratulations to both candidates and their tutors.

The standard agreement with ICASA is that new amateurs may use their call signs immediately and do not have to wait for the paperwork. Letters and certificates are in preparation and will be mailed soon.

The full list of candidates who passed, as well as an interesting regional analysis is available on www.sarl.org.za.

2011/2012 SUBSRIPTIONS ARE DUE

Please pay your SARL subscription for the 2011/2012 financial year by the end of June. Accounts were mailed to all current members. When making a payment please ensure that your callsign is in the payment reference.

CONTEST NEWS

The Contest committee has released the results of the SARL Digital contest held on 29 May 2011 for which 14 logs were received. A breakdown into frequencies and modes shows: 40 m - 30 PSK contacts and 16 RTTY contacts 20 m - 7 PSK contacts and 5 RTTY contacts 80 m - 6 PSK contacts and 1 RTTY contact

Station participation per division were: Div 1 - 7 Div 2 - 6 Div 3 - 2 Div 4 - 3 Div 5 - 1 Div 6 - 12 Div 7 & 8 - 1 each

The results are:

1st - ZS6GRL 705 points 2nd - ZS2CR 633 points 3rd - ZS6AKU 606 points

The winner of the "Lucky draw" prize is Derek ZS2J, and many thanks to the stations that submitted logs.

CLUB NEWS

The West Rand Amateur Radio Club is hosting its next flea market at 12:00 on Saturday 25 June 2011 at the clubhouse in Kroton Street, Weltevredenpark, Roodepoort. Everyone is very welcome. For more information, contact Phillip ZS6PVT at 083 267 3835.

CALL FROM KLAUS ZS1QO

Somebody in Div. 6 contacted Klaus, ZS1QO in Cape Town in connection with glass fibre masts. Unfortunately Klaus was admitted to hospital and the details of the person. got lost. This is a call that the

respective person. contact the XYL of Klaus, Shireen on Cell 083 628 3437 so that the matter can be resolved.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity was fairly low with a few C-Class flares taking place since the M2.5 solar flare on Tuesday that created a very bright Coronal Mass Ejection (CME). Sunspot 1 226 has rotated onto the western limb and out of direct earth view. All remaining sunspots 1 227, 1 228 and 1 232 are small and remain quiet. There is a chance for at least C-Class flares around 1 227 before it rotates onto the western limb as well. New sunspot 1 234 is growing in the southeast but does not yet pose a threat for strong solar flares. For the people doing their own frequency predictions the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be about 30.

With the winter here 20 m will provide the best opportunities for DX followed by 30 m and also some sporadic 15 m openings.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

16 June - Transmission of Youth in Amateur Radio at 09:30, but receive beacon signal already on 435,345 MHz at 07:56 and 09:33. 16 June - Youth Day Sprint from 10:00 till 12:00 CAT 16 June - ZS50RSA on the air. 18 June - Programming in Windows course in Gauteng. Book at www.sarl.org.za. 25 June - West Rand flea market starting at 12:00 in Kroton Street, Weltevredenpark.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 750 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 18:30 CAT on 3 230 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by Gustav, ZS6BWN.

Thank you for listening, 73.
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563. NZART Headquarters Infoline SPECIAL Issue 27s

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IBM logos, circa 1924 and 1972.

In 2011, IBM is marking its 100-year anniversary. Although much has changed since the company was formed on June 16, 1911, the one constant at IBM has been its focus on making the world work better. In 1926, IBM President Thomas J. Watson, Sr., said, "Everything we do in our work is benefitting the business interests and the social welfare of the whole world." Throughout its history, IBM has focused on just thati¿½changing the world, one customer at a time. That focus on innovation has helped produce many things we take for granted today:

http://www.ithistory.org/membership/ibm-100th-anniversary.php

On its website, the company said, "IBM is marking the 100-year anniversary of its founding on 16 June 1911, with a year-long global initiative.

http://www.ibm.com/us/en/

Here in in New Zealand, ZL1GWE has obtained a temporary Callsign: "ZL1OOIBM" to mark the occasion, apart from already pledging my time to the IBM community service on behalf of NZART as the Monitoring System Coordinator, I and hopefully my other IBM colleagues intend to promote Amateur Radio throughout the world. Amateur radio, also affectionately known as "ham radio", is a hobby of constructing, experimenting and communicating as we know. But we also have a serious side to in terms of supporting the emergency services through the Amateur Radio Emergency Communications (AREC) which is a sub group of the New Zealand Association of Radio Transmitters (NZART) that organise's emergency communications in times of disaster.

You will find me on air, from 16th June 2011, using the callsign "ZL1OOIBM on the National System, VHF and HF bands, I personally look forward to celebrating the 100 years on this special occasion and throughout the

ensuing year. My colleagues from IBMHAMs group, will also be celebrating the day probably around 14.347 - which is the normal IBMHAMS frequency from 1600 UTC i.e. W0IBM. Look out for other IBMers, I will arrange a suitable special QSL card for the occasion - the 100th birthday of IBM throughout 2011/12.

I look forward to your participation.

de John ZL1GWE

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Contest News
VHF/UHF/SHF Contest
VHF++ Brass Monkey Contest (1st SAT AUG) 06/07-AUG-2011

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Housekeeping
1.. Break-In-Closing Date Reminder: Copy for the JULY/AUGUST issue of Break-In-closes on 10-JULY-2011
2.. Copy for Break-In: Copy is welcome in most electronic formats but word.doc files are preferred. Photos and other graphics should be send as separate discrete files (*.jpg preferred); not as embedded pix in the body of the text. Please ensure that suitable descriptive captions/legends are included with your copy.
All received copy will be acknowledged to confirm receipt.
Thank you for your cooperation.
John Walker ZL3IB Editor.
3.. Break-In: Early receipt of copy is much appreciated
4.. Break-In-AREC Column: The close-of-copy date is the 03-JULY-2011 for articles for publication in the AREC COLUMN OF BREAK-IN. Photos, if available, to be on a separate floppy or CD (with captions), posted DIRECTLY TO US. Use Call Book address. All other material can go to e-mail: zl3qr@nzart.org.nz or zl3ov@nzart.org.nz
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Regards, Jamie Pye ZL2NN, Editor zl2nn@nzart.org.nz

564. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 12th June 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-06-12 20:00:16 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20110612200004.A615733C78@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4354
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 12th June 2011

Silent Key

The death has occurred of Johnny Roche, EI5CJB, 323 Mill Street, Callan, County Kilkenny on June 7th 2011. Johnny is survived by his loving wife, Kathleen. Sons, John and Paul. Daughters, Jackie, Mary, Caitriona and Joanne. Fifteen grand children and three great grand children. Five brothers and seven sisters and his fellow amateur radio operators, swl's and many friends.

Ar dheis D go raibh a anam dilis

Licence Examination

You will have the opportunity to sit your amateur radio licence examination within the next few weeks.

The next exam will be held on Thursday, 7 July, at 2.00 p.m. in the ComReg offices in Dublin. The closing date for receipt of applications to sit this exam is Wednesday 22 June. Full details including entry procedure and examination fee are available at www.irts.ie/exam or just click on the 'Licence Exam' button on the IRTS webpage.

World Castles Weekend

The World Castles award will be holding an activation weekend on Sat 25th - Sun 26th July, for anyone interested in activating a site. More information can be found at: http://www.wcagroup.org/ENG/wcw.html Time: >From 00:00 UTC of Saturday till 23:59 UTC of Sunday. Bands: All HF and VHF amateur bands. if interested go to the World Castle Website to register. If you require a location refence, then contact your local CASHOTA representive who can issue one at, www.cashota.co.uk.

Hoghton Tower Activation

Central Lancs ARC will be activating Hoghton Tower on the 26th June 2011. This stately home, located preston, lancashire, has been the ancestral home of the de hoghton family since william the conqueror. For more details go to www.cashota.co.uk

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Introduction to Amateur Radio

The Mayo Radio Experimenters Network are holding a series of practical hands on open days throughout the summer months. The events will start at 13.00 approx (weather permitting) and will take place on the following dates: Sunday June 12th Sunday July 10th Sunday August 14th Sunday September 11th

Anyone with an interest in radio related matters, who would like to have the opportunity to participate or observe the operation of an amateur radio station, or meet club members, will receive a warm welcome. Whatever you're level of interest, the club will be pleased to help in taking your interest further, be it a complete novice, shortwave listener or formal assistance in progressing to a full amateur radio licence.

The location for all events will be the car park at the Halfway House on the Castlebar to Westport Road. If you would like further details please contact: Padraic Baynes EI9JA on 0876957154 (email pbaynes1/at/eircom/dot/net) , email David Hatfield EI3ECB on ei3ecb/at/gmail/dot/com or text or phone the club mobile phone number 086 20 89 777

Space Weather Prediction Service

On 06 September 2011 the Space Weather Prediction Center (SWPC) will discontinue the broadcast of its propagation forecasts on WWV at 18 minutes past the hour and WWVH at 45 minutes past the hour. The messages will still be available at www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/latest/wwv.txt This response from Patrick V. Gajdys of the SWPC: "The reason for discontinuing this service is entirely budget-driven. As we begin to receive reductions to our funding levels, we are forced to examine our entire program and make cuts. The WWV service costs are quite high and the information we provide on it is currently duplicated via the Internet service. A very large majority of our customers use our Internet feeds, so when comparing the two duplicate services it was clear to us that the WWV service was that most logical service to cut. All comments received will be compiled and presented to NWS before stopping the transmissions."

Howth Martello Radio Group

The Howth Martello Radio Group, EI0MAR will be QRV on the weekend of the 18/19 June for International Museums Event from Ye Olde Hurdy Gurdy Museum of Vintage Radio in Howth. The website of the organisers of this amateur radio event is www.ukradioamateur.co.uk/imw/index.html where a

list of museums registered for the event can be inspected.

Among the museums activated in previous years were HMS Belfast (GB2RN), moored on the Thames and Bletchley Park in Milton Keynes (GB2BP).

Visitors are welcome to visit the museum which is located in the Martello Tower overlooking the East Pier in Howth. The museum is open daily until the end of October from 11am until 4pm. The website address www.ei0mar.org.

DX News

John KB4CRT is QRV from the island of Montserrat until 18 June. He is using the callsign VP2MRT. QSLs go via the home call or via Logbook of the World.

The club station of the Ethiopian Amateur Radio Society (callsign ET3AA) was reopened on 30 May. The opening was attended by Hans Blondeel Timmerman PB2T, President of IARU Region 1. The club shack is located at the Technical Faculty of the University of Addis Ababa. More than 25 members hope to sit their Amateur Radio examination by the end of July so hopefully we will be hearing a lot more activity from Ethiopia on the bands soon.

This is the time of year when many amateurs take gear with them on their summer vacations to various islands. The Dutch island of Texel is on the air at present. The operator is Alex DL1KD who is signing PA/DL1KD until 20 June. Later in the summer the island will again be activated by Alex IZ4AMS who will be active as PA/IZ4AMS from 14-17 August. Texel Island counts as EU-038 for the Islands on the Air Award.

The Pacific island of Nauru which is quite a rare DXCC entity will be activated by a team of 6 operators between 10 November and 6 December. The callsign will be C21AA and they plan to have 3 complete stations on HF.

EI5JQ, EI/SQ7JT, EI4JZ, EI9KC will be active from Great Blasket Island - EU-007 during RSGB IOTA 2011 contest. CW / SSB Applied call-sign: EJ0PL QSL via EI5JQ (Bureau / Direct)

Commando Solo

Commando Solo, the US airborne radio station operating above Libya on behalf of NATO, was heard on 1 June using a new shortwave frequency, 10125 kHz, USB mode, to transmit messages intended for Gaddafi's forces. This frequency is in the 30 metre amateur band, but is also used by the Libyan army. Commando Solo has previously used 6877 kHz and 10404 kHz. The change in frequency is probably due to the jamming by the Libyan army noted on 10404 kHz the previous day.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

565. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1014

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-06-12 21:02:00 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <401098.33397.qm@smtp106.sbc.mail.gq1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 4355
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Bulletin No. 1014
BID: $OPDX.1014
June 13, 2011
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, K1XN & GoList, NJ1Q, NG3K & ADXO, N4AA & QRZ DX, KH6BZF, N6PSE, W7GJ, K8CX, K8YSE, W8GEX (60m News), K9EL, 2E1EUB, AT International, DL1SBF, DL7MAE & The DX News Letter, DxCoffee.com, DX-World.Net, F5NQL, F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX, G3TXF, I1JQJ/IK1ADH & 425 DX News, JG2GSY, LA4LN, OH2BN, ON5NT, OZ6OM & 50 MHz DX News, Pete's-DX-Newsdesk, RSGB IOTA Web Site, VA3RJ & ICPO, VHF-DX-Portal (MMMonVHF) and ZL1AAO for the following DX information.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 5th-June, through Sunday, 12th-June there were 215 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 3X, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5V, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HC8, HH, HI, HK, HK0/a, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J3, J6, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KH2, KH4, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PY0T, PZ, R1FJ, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T32, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V4, V5, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VK9C, VP2M, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP8/o, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XU, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD9, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

2M, SCOTLAND (Satellite Op). Paul, 2E1EUB, will once again be active as 2M1EUB starting July 2nd, for two weeks (depending on the WX). He states that he will be operating from the van again and activating some rare new grid squares. Activity will be from the islands of Harris and Lewis

(These islands are located off the coast of western Scotland). Most of the operations will be on the AO-7 bird. Paul states that he will be mobile all over northern Scotland and on the Island of Skye. Watch QRZ.com for updates, as well as the AMSAT BB mailing list. A new QSL card will be printed.

3D2/R, ROTUMA. The following press release was sent out by Hrane, YT1AD, on June 8th (edited): "DXpedition to Rotuma as 3D2R -- After many months of careful planning, we are pleased to announce our DXpedition to Rotuma-3D2R with a large multi-national DXpedition Team. Rotuma is located in the South Pacific Ocean and is #32 on Club Log's most wanted DXCC list. Hrane Milosevic, YT1AD, has recently visited Fiji and has obtained the license of 3D2R and a landing permit. We have received the Rotuma Island Council's official approval as well as from the Prime Minister's Office. The team of 19 operators will meet in Fiji on September 24th, and sail to Rotuma with an arrival slated for September 27th. We will be active on all bands and modes from September 27th to October 7th, 2011.
We will focus on the low bands at this time of the year and will make every effort to satisfy the needs of EU operators.
At this time, we are seeking Foundation, Club and Individual Sponsors to help us defray the costs of carrying out this DXpedition. Our official website is: http://www.yt1ad.info/3d2r/index.html
.... 3D2R Team"

3XY, GUINEA. Operators Georg/DK7LX, Wolf/DL4WK, Sigi/DL7DF, Frank/DL7UFR, Jan/SP3CYY and Leszek/SP3DOI will be active as 3XY1D from Guinea between October 18th and November 1st. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. They plan to have several stations on the air using 5 transceivers (4 x K2, 1 x IC7000), 4 x kW linears, 2 x 18m Lowband Verticals, a 2 element vertical for 40m, a 2 elemet vertical for 30m, a vertical R7 for 40/30/20/17/15/12/10m, 2 Spiderbeams for 20/17/15/12/10m, a 5 element Yagi for 6m and some Beverage antennas. One station will be exclusively dedicated to RTTY, PSK31 and SSTV. QSL via DL7DF, direct or by the Bureau. For more details and updates, visit: http://www.dl7df.com/3xy1d/index.html

5W, SAMOA (6m EME Op). Lance, W7GJ, plans to be active as 5W0GJ from the northeast corner of Savai'i Island (Grid AH36un), Samoa, on a 6 meter EME DXpedition during the final week of August. He reports that license and airline tickets are now in hand. Operations will take place between August 23-31st. QSL direct to W7GJ. Complete details and schedule of operation is available at: http://www.bigskyspaces.com/w7gj/Samoa2011.htm

7Q, MALAWAI. Malcolm, GM3TAL, will be active as 7Q7MH during July as part of the "Explorer Scouts" that will go on a "Scottish Scout New Horizons Expedition" and will also be carrying out practical development work at the Malawi National Scout Campsite near Zomba. Although this is not a "DXpedition", look for activity on the upper HF bands (and possibly 6 meters), using CW and SSB. This will be a month long "field day" operation under canvas – no towers or comfy resort style shacks and no Internet! More details are expected soon on: http://www.7q7mh.org

8J1, JAPAN (Date Correction). Members of the Japan A1 Club will activate the following special callsign until November 30th (not December 31st as reported in OPDX.1013): 8J1MORSE, 8J1MORSE/2, 8J1MORSE/3, ...etc, according to the district from which they are active. Activity is to celebrate 220th anniversary of Samuel Morse's birthday. Operations will be mainly CW, with some SSB (to explain to novices how to join the CW community). Some special awards are also available too. QSL by the Bureau or direct (SAE+IRC) to: 8J1MORSE, 1-14-1-11-B Yoshino, Higashi-ku, Nagoya, 461-0027, JAPAN. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW as well. For more details, the English rules and information are available at: http://8j1morse.a1tokai.net -or- http://8j1morse.blogspot.com

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, Awards Branch Manager, reports that the following are approved for DXCC credit:
TJ9PF – Cameroon; 2011 Operation. Special Note: "We have been notified that the TJ9PF QSL labels have been printed with the year 2001 instead of 2011. This is a known software bug that has been fixed. Regardless, we do not believe the integrity of the TJ9PF logs or operation are affected by this printing error. Also, the TJ9PF logs have now been uploaded to LoTW, providing a primary source of QSO confirmations. We will add instructions to the DXCC system internally to note this operation's correct year. No one wants to promote the wasting of resources to reprint labels or cards, or to require resending of cards to fix an error which has little effect on the program. DXCC will accept TJ9PF QSLs showing the date as 2001.

VK0KEV – Macquarie Island; 2011 Operation. If you've had this operation
rejected in a recent application please send a note to dxcc@arrl.org . You can verify the update to your record either by checking your LoTW account, or, you'll see a change in the live daily listing on the DXCC web site.

E51, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS (E51AAO operation). Bruce, ZL1AAO, informs OPDX (edited): "I am preparing for some part-time DX operation/holiday-style from Rarotonga (OC-013), Cook Islands. The above callsign is available and has been promised to me (Pick up the license on arrival). I will be promoting my activity through DX groups and local radio clubs/groups. I will be on the island for 10 days from August 19-28th. The property I am staying at is located on Muri beach, a popular resort area. It will be our first visit to Rarotonga, so the usual tourist activities will be on the agenda with radio number two on my itinerary. Anyone who has been there before and can give helpful advice will be much appreciated. E-mail me at: bruce.steel@paradise.net.nz ...."

EF8, CANARY ISLANDS. Look for EF8M from Santa Maria de Guia, Las Palmas Gran Canaria (AF-004, DIE S-005, WLOTA L 0969), to be on the air during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st) as a Multi-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. Operators mentioned are Valery/RD3A, Juan/EA8CAC and Alex/UA5C. QSL via UA3DX.

FS, FRENCH ST. MARTIN (Attempt #2 - Refer to OPDX.1013). John, K9EL, will once again be active as FS/K9EL from French St. Martin (NA-105, DIFO FS-001, WLOTA 0383, Grid Loc. FK88) between June 20th and July 3rd. The first week will be limited due to family vacation, but the second week will be devoted to operating. John will be using an IC7000 and verticals for 80-10 meters and a 3 element yagi for 6m. He will be operating on CW, SSB and some RTTY. QSL via his home callsign. LoTW updates will be done upon his return home. John may do some 6m operations from PJ7 depending on demand and conditions.

GJ, JERSEY. Members of the Bristol Contest Group will be active as GJ6YB/P from Jersey (EU-013) between June 17-19th. Activity will be during the IARU 50MHz Contest. Operators mentioned are Robin/G3TKF, Pete/G4CLA, Matt/M0MAT, Alan/G3XSV, Steve/G3ZVW, Neil/EI3JE, Andy/M1EBV, Geoff/G4FKA and Ian/G4FSU. QSL via G3SWH. For more details, see the Bristol Contest Group Web page at: http://gj6yb.org

HB0, LIECHTENSTEIN. Operators Matthias/DL4ML, Jochen/DG1SFJ, Guenther/DJ8KI and Manfred/DL4MP will be active as HB0/homecall from Liechtenstein between June 18-21st. Activity will be on all HF bands including 30/17/12m, and also on 6 and 2 meters during Sporadic E propagation. Their location is near Steg at 1400m ASL (Grid Loc. JN47tc). QSL via their home callsigns, by the Bureau or direct using the QRZ.com address.

IOTA DXPEDITION (Reminder). Just a reminder that the MS0INT Team (Col/MM0NDX [team leader], Christian/EA3NT, Ramon/EA3OR, Raul/EA5KA, Stan/EI6DX, Vincent/F4BKV and Simon/IZ7ATN] will activate IOTAs EU-010, EU-059 and EU-111 between June 14-20th. See OPDX.1011 for details. All QSL requests for MS0INT and MS0INT/p go via M0URX. All QSL requests for MM/<homecall> are via RX3RC. For updates and more details, watch: http://ms0int.com

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-066. Members of the Vladivostok Contest Club will be active as RW0MM/p from Reyneke Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st) as a Multi-Op/Island/DXpedition entry. QSL via RW0MM.

EU-007. Operators Adam/EI5JQ, Bronel/EI4JZ, Ark/EI9KC and Jerzy/SQ7JT will be active as EJ0PL from Great Blasket Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st). QSL via EI5JQ.

EU-010. Bob, G0BUX, will be active as GM0BUX/P from North Uist Island between now and June 17th. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW, SSB and PSK31. QSL via his home callsign.

EU-017. Alex, IK8YFU, will be active as ID9/IK8YFU from Stromboli Island between July 23-30th. Activity will be on 40-6 meters. QSL via IK8YFU. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW.

EU-052. A multi-team of 7 experienced operators will be active as J48O from the very rare Othonoi Islet (GIOTA INS-045) between June 17-25th. Activity will also include operations from the Kastri Lighthouse (9 days at Lighthouse) on the island. They plan to

set up 5 stations on the island. Activity will be on 160-2
meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes (RTTY/PSK). Focus
on 6 meters for intercontinental QSOs using 2 different
directional antennas and also on 2 meters with a 8 element
QUAD and 11 element yagi. Operators mentioned are Giannis/SV2FPU
(Team leader and QSL Manager), Thomas/SV2CLJ, Savas/SV2AEL,
Giannis (John)/SV2HXV, Marios/SV2HXR, Dimitris/SV2YC and Andy/
IK0EFR. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1823, 3503, 7003, 10105, 14003, 18073, 21003, 24893,
28003, 50093 and 144053 kHz
SSB - 1843, 3799, 7060/7160, 14260, 18160, 21260, 24960,
28460, 50160 and 144303 kHz
DIGI - 1841, 3581, 7041, 10141, 14081, 18101, 21081, 24921,
28111, 50201 and 144138 kHz
For more details, visit the J48O Web site at: http://www.j48o.com
For further information about "Greek Islands On The Air" -
the GIOTA Web page is at: http://www.greekiota.gr

EU-170. Operators Ivo/9A1AA, 9A3BMR, Alen/9A3MA, Rolando/9A3MR and
Zrinko/DK8ZZ will be active as 9A1CKL from Zirje Island during
the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st) as a Multi-Op entry. QSL
via DK8ZZ direct.

EU-170. Daniel, DK3CH, will be active as 9A/DK3CH from Dugi Otok
Island between July 28th and August 10th. Activity will
include the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st). QSL via his
home call sign.

NA-009. NA-009. Sarah, NQ6K, is expected/planning to be active as
NQ6K/VY0 from Devon Island (with possible side trips to
Beechy and Cornwallis Island) while working there for NASA
for three weeks beginning late June/early July. Devon Island
is the world's largest uninhabited island, roughly the size
of Vermont (and Scotland). She is a veteran of three scientific
expeditions there in 2008, 2009 and 2010, and has done some
emergency communications there, but has not operated on HF
from there yet! See her detailed Web page at:

http://findatlantis.com/wiki/index.php/Devon_Island_2011_DXpedition

NA-193. Operators John/VE8EV and Gerry/VE8GER will be active as XK1T
from Tent Island, Yukon (new one for CISA) between June 15-19th.
Activity will be mostly SSB on 20 meters but some operations
on CW and satellite are also likely. Also, some operations may
take place on 30/17/15m. QSL via VE8EV. For updates, watch
John's Blog page at: http://ve8ev.blogspot.com

OC-142. Operators Andrew/VK4NM and Peter/VK4LAT will be active as VK4MM/P
from Fraser Island, Queensland, Australia, between July 29th
and August 1st. Activity will include the RSGB IOTA Contest
(July 30-31st). QSL via M0OXO direct.

OC-156. Dmitriy, RW6AML, will be active as 3D2ML from Waya Island, Fiji, between July 6-17th. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign.

K8CX'S 2011 DAYTON HAMVENTION PHOTO GALLERY. Tom's, K8CX, 2011 Dayton Photo Gallery is now up at: http://hamgallery.com/dayton2011/ This is Tom's 15th consecutive year for the gallery, and it contains 254 photos taken at Crowne Plaza at various events and hospitality suites. You may submit your own Dayton photos to be included in this gallery. Please read the guidelines listed on the top of the gallery page. There is also an interesting Dayton Hamvention history link on top of this page.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (June 13-19th)....
Jun 13 HN SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS
Jun 14 AN --------------------
Jun 15 AN BN - Below Normal
Jun 16 AN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Jun 17 AN LN - Low Normal
Jun 18 AN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Jun 19 AN DIS - Disturbed
VDIS - Very Disturbed

GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between 0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between 7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

LJ2, NORWAY. Members of the "Veteran Club of the Signals Soldiers of the Norwegian Armed Forces" will activate the historical callsign LJ2T again from "The Signals Museum of the Norwegian Armed Forces" near Lillehammer between June 30th and July 3rd. Activity will be on all bands between 160m and 70cm using CW, SSB, FM and the Digital modes. Like last year, there are plans for activity on 4 meters (70 MHz) from this QTH locator JP51ED. QSL via LA5EAA. For more info, see: http://www.qrz.com/db/LJ2T

MU, GUERNSEY. Members of the Dutch Contest and Expedition team (PA6Z) will be active as MU/PA6Z from Guernsey (EU-114) between October 23-30th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW and SSB. Operators mentioned are Marcel/PA9M, Frank/PA4N, Jelmer/PA5R, Dervin/PD9DX, Arbo/PH0AS, Arend/PA2AWU and Dick PA4VHF. QSL via PA9M, direct or by the Bureau.

OJ0, MARKET REEF. After the activity by the OJ0B team this past weekend, look for Harri, OH6VM/OH0VM, one of the lighthouse keepers, to follow the OJ0B group for another week as OJ0VM using the beam that the OJ0B team installed. QSL OJ0B via OH2BH and OJ0VM via OH6VM. See pictures of the lighthouse and beam on QRZ.com (under OJ0VM).

PY0F, FERNANDO DE NORONHA. Marcelo, PY2FN, will be active as PY0FO from Fernando de Noronha (SA-003) between July 2-9th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters CW only. Suggested frequencies are: 1814, 3514, 7014, 10114, 14014, 18084, 21014, 24894, 28014 and 50094 kHz. QSL via his

home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW.
Visit Marcelo's Web site at: http://www.py0fo.com.br

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated June 12th)

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5T0JL via ON8RA GB5OVE via G3VER R3XX/3 via RW3XZ
A41OO via NI5DX GX0SCR/P via G4APL SD7SUB via SM7EYO
AJ2L/KH2 via JI3QBQ GX4HRC/A via G3SVK SM/DL1RNW via DL1RNW
AY5F via LU5FC GX4KPT/P via M0DOL SM/OH5LID via OH5LID
BD7ANX via BA4EG HF25BPK via SP7PCZ SN0WFF via SP5X
CN2RN via F8FGU HP1/IQ6CC via IZ4SUC SN10ISO via SP9KJU
DL/SQ5AWR via SQ5AWR IA5/IZ5HSK via IZ5HSK SV0XCC/9 via LZ1YE
DW8BXU via JF1LZQ IQ9UM via IT9UMH (direct/eQSL.cc) SV1/LZ1JZ via LZ1JZ
EA6/DK5IR via DK5IR IS0/IT9HUV via IT9DQM SV8/DK3SJ/P via DK3SJ
EE5CYI via EC5CYI KH2/JF2CRP via JF2CRP TK/DC3VW via DC3VW
EE5DM via EA5DM LZ20HR via LZ1YE TK/DC3WP via DC3WP
EE5FL via EA5FL LZ1016WIW via LZ1KZA TM2RHC via F4EUN
EE5HAB via EA5HAB M0/RK3DT via RK3DT TM5BBC via F2UW
EE5KB via EA5KB MS0RSD via M0URX UQ40I via UN7IT
EE7E via EA7IZJ MW0OXO/P via M3ZYZ UR4MKY via UR9MC
EG1DN via EB1CAM OJ0VM via OH6VM UV0I via UR5IFX
EG5FUV via EA5KB OK1KIG via OK1AR V47DA via DL1DA
EG7YFI via EA7NL ON1815NAP via ON4CMR VE7/K6VVA via N6AWD
EG8LP via EA8URL OZ1GML via OZ1GML (direct) VK2HSL/BV2 via VK2HSL
EH1EPC via EC1AAC OZ1RDP via DL9BCP VR2KF via JH1OGX
EM7MFF via US1MM PA05FOX via PD1WAT W2W via K3NEM
EM44U via UT7UT PA99RD via PA-Bureau XE2S via WD9EWK
F/DF3FS via DF3FS PY6/PY1JR via PU1KGG YT0EPC via YT7WA

QSL KH6BB via K1EA/KH6. Activity from the DD-6 USS Missouri Battleship.

QSL OJ0B via OH2BH. Operators Martti/OH2BH, Pertti/OH2PM and Pekka/OH2TA
were active this past weekend for three days to finalize the
semi-permanent
antenna installation and to test Market Reef's new power plant.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 6V6U, DK2OY, EA1DR, EI4HQ, OE6MBG, PJ4/K4IQJ,
PJ4A, II9T, J39BS, JS2LGN, PY2MTS, TJ9PF, V44KAI, VP8ORK, VY2TT, XE2S,
YV200D and ZA1A

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3D2DX, 4A4A, 5R8HL, 9H1PS, 9N7DX, 9Y4D,
AH0/AB2RF, C56FR, CE2/CX1EK, EX2F, HV4NAC, J7A, KH8/AI5P, MJ/K3PLV,
P29TL, S51V, S9DX, SM3EVR, SV5/G0SGB/p, UK8GKW, UK8QQ, UK8VA, VP8ORK,
VU4PB, XU7ZDLH, ZD7FT and ZS8M

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 4T0I, 6V7O, CU3CC, DP1POL, FY/IW1BND,
VP8YLE and Z21LS

ST0, SOUTHERN SUDAN. The following press release (Bulletin #3) was sent
out on June 6th (edited): "DXpedition to Southern Sudan -- The Intrepid-DX

Group and the DX Friends/Tifariti Gang continues to move forward with our plans to activate the new country of Southern Sudan with a large multi-national DXpedition.
We have held several successful meetings with representatives of the Government of Southern Sudan. We have been issued an amateur radio license for the purpose of this DXpedition. The Government of South Sudan is very supportive of our plans to visit Juba and to help them celebrate the birth of their new country.
The Government of South Sudan will declare their independence from Sudan on July 9th, 2011. They have applied to the UN for admission as a member state. The UN General Assembly and Security Council will vote on the matter in the weeks following the declaration of independence.
While there have been attacks and fighting in the disputed border region of Abyei, these issues are not expected to derail the emergence of this new country.
We plan to be in the new capital of Juba and to be ready to start our DXpedition upon admission by the UN. We will have 18 operators operating 24X7 on seven active stations.
At this time, we are seeking Foundation, Club and Individual Sponsors to help us defray the costs of carrying out this DXpedition.
Our official website is http://www.dxfriends.com/SouthernSudan2011/

Thank you,
The Intrepid-DX Group and The DX Friends.
http://www.dxfriends.com/
http://www.intrepid-dx.com/ "

T8, PALAU.- Nao, JK1FNL, will once again be active as T88NA from Palau (OC-009) between June 18-20th. QSL via his home callsign.

TO5, MARTINIQUE (NA-107). Al, F5VHJ, will once again be active as TO5A, during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via F5VHJ, direct or by the Bureau. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW.

ZC4, U.K. SOV. BASE AREAS ON CYPRUS. Reports indicate that Mike, KF6RCP, is currently on holiday/vacation on the U.K. Sovereign Base Areas on Cyprus and is active as ZC4MIS for the next four months. Activity is mainly on the beach using a FT-817ND with a LDG Z817 tuner and a Buddistick. His operations will be mainly on 20 meters using SSB and the Digital modes PSK31 and JT65. See his set up on QRZ.com. Skeds are available by E-mailing him at: kf6rcp at gmail.com
QSL via KF6RCP. QSL also via LoTW or eQSL.

ZD7, ST. HELENA. Nigel, G3TXF, will be active as ZD7XF from St. Helena (AF-022) between June 22-30th. Activity will be from the QTH of Barrie, ZD7MY, which is at 1200 ft. ASL and has an excellent take-off to the north. Operations will be mainly on the HF bands using CW. Nigel plans to take antennas for 160/80m as well as for 6m. QSL via his home callsign. Nigel mentions that there will not be any Internet access in the shack (nor is there any mobile phone service on the island). However, logs will be uploaded to both LoTW and ClubLog whenever practical. For more details

on Nigel's ZD7XF operation, visit his Web page at:
http://www.g3txf.com/dxtrip/ZD7XF/ZD7.html

ZL8X DXPEDITION BOOK AVAILABLE. It was announced this past week that a
ZL8X book is available and it is a "must for every serious DXer who wants
to see more details about ZL8X operation from down under, from the Kermadec
Islands. This unique photo book contains a bunch of pictures from the
beginning of the adventure till the last sunset. It also includes a
detailed map of their camps and over 140 colorful pictures. For more
details,
go to: http://www.kermadec.de/fotobook/index.php
ADDED UPDATES: For more details about the ZL8X:
* Status of QSL card mailing
* DXpedition Of The Year
* Presentation in Friedrichshafen
See the Web page at: http://www.kermadec.de

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566. Collect Gold and Silver Coins, Build Wealth and Get Paid

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-06-13 10:02:32 UTC
From: C Casey <ccasey1906@yahoo.com>
Message-ID: <c92029f1-a39e-480b-9511-2bedfe18311b@w4g2000yqm.googlegroups.com>
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567. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-06-14 01:37:06 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <4e505027-1766-409e-9104-e71f6c261a6c@hg8g2000vbb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4357

On Jun 13, 6:02 am, C Casey <ccasey1...@yahoo.com> wrote:
> Our company markets collectible

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568. ADULT SEX PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-06-14 04:27:57 UTC
From: SAMARA <jaidatta9247@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <6113291f-55cd-4cac-a31b-79199e1226a0@z7g2000prh.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4358

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http://studymaterialforu.blogspot.com

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http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/05/katrina-kaif_22.html
GOOD LOOKING DEEPIKA PADUKONE
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/05/deepika-padukone_22.html
AISHWARYA RAI UNBELIVABLE PHOTO
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/05/aishwarya-rai.html
SEXY TAPSEE IN VEERA
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/05/tapsee.html
KAJAL IN BEAUTIFUL BLACK SAREE
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/05/kajal-agarwal.html

569. IN SEARCH OF INSECTOSAUR! - Biggest Bug Contest

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-06-14 20:23:34 UTC
From: Rosie Gillam <rosiegillam@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <36e75ce2-6bab-4ad8-a238-e779e16e3c8f@p13g2000yqh.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4359

Rampant rainfall, soaring temperatures, and high humidity have had a drastic affect on the insect community. In addition to being called one of the worst mosquito seasons in decades, bed bug infestations are being reported at an astounding rate.

This summer why not make the bug season pay off? Got a roach the size of a small dog, moth, spider or other pest on steroids? Black Flag, America’s leader in insect control since 1833, has launched a nationwide search for America’s biggest bug. Sixty insectophiles will be awarded with prizes and money.

Be brave and get close enough to snap a photo to claim the bug bounty. To enter the photo contest, visit www.blackflag.com for details, official rules, and entry form. The contest runs from June 1st through August 5th.

Let me know if you would like more information.

Rosie
RosieGillam@gmail.com

570. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 06 - 12 June 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-06-14 21:30:05 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20110614213001.7453C33C5F@panix2.panix.com>
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http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
06 - 12 June 2011

Solar activity has been at very low to moderate levels during the period. Activity began at low levels on 06 June, when Region 1226 (S21, L=036, Eki/360 on 29 May) produced two C-class flares, a C1 flare at 06/0135Z and a C1 flare at 06/0950Z. A 12-degree long filament, centered near N25W34, erupted during the period. SDO/AIA 193 imagery revealed material movement along a large filament channel, first visible at 06/0441Z, which continued through about 06/0900Z. Activity increased to moderate levels on 07 June as Region 1226 produced a M2/2N. Associated with this event was a Type II radio sweep, a Type IV Radio Sweep, a Tenflare of 710 sfu, and a full halo asymmetric CME with an estimated plane of sky speed of 1155 km/s. Discrete radio emissions included 1415 MHz - 15400 MHz. Activity decreased to very low levels on 08 June. Activity increased to low levels during 09-10 June as Region 1226 produced two C-class flares, a C1/Sf at 09/0321Z and a C4/Sf at 09/0348Z. Region 1234 (S16, L=245, Bxo/010 on 09 June) also produced a C1 flare at 09/1028. From around the west limb, Region 1226 produced a final C2 flare at 10/1751Z. Activity decreased to very low levels for the remainder of the period.

The 10 MeV proton flux exceeded 10 pfu, beginning at 07 June/0820Z, reaching maximum at 07/1820Z, and ending at 08/1710Z. The maximum 10 MeV flux was 73 pfu. The 100 MeV proton flux exceeded 1 pfu, beginning at 07/0720Z, reaching maximum at 07/1025Z, and ending at 08/0210Z. The maximum 100 MeV flux was 4 pfu.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at normal to moderate levels during 06-08 June. Fluxes increased to moderate to high levels during 09-10 June. Flux levels decreased to moderate levels during 11-12 June.

The geomagnetic field ranged from quiet to minor storm levels during the period. Activity on 06 June began at unsettled to active levels,

with an isolated minor storm at high latitudes, due to the continued effects of a coronal hole high speed stream (CH HSS) and the arrival the 02 June CME. On 07 June, solar wind speeds, as measured by the ACE spacecraft, increased from 380 km/s to around 480 km/s, following a density spike. These characteristic appear to be the arrival of another CH HSS. From 07- 09 June, activity stayed at quiet to active levels with an isolated minor storm period from 08/0000-0300Z as effects of the CH HSS continued. On 10 June, quiet to unsettled levels were observed with an isolated minor storm period at high latitudes as measurements by the ACE spacecraft indicate the likely arrival of the CME from 07 June. Quiet to active levels were observed from 11-12 June, as a solar sector boundary crossing was observed, preceding another CH HSS.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
15 June - 11 July 2011

Solar activity is expected to be at very low levels with a slight chance for C-class flares during 15-20 June. Activity is expected to increase to low to moderate levels, with a slight chance for M-class flares during 22 June - 04 July, as old Region 1226 returns. Very low to low levels are expected for the remainder of the period.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at high levels from 15-18 June. Normal to moderate levels are expected from 19 - 22 June. An increase to high levels from 23 - 27 June is forecast. Normal to moderate levels are expected for the remainder of the period.

The geomagnetic field is expected to decrease to mostly quiet levels during 15-21 June. Activity is expected to increase to quiet to unsettled levels, with isolated active levels on 22 - 25 June, due to a CH HSS. Activity is expected to decrease to predominantly quiet levels from 26 June - 01 July. Activity is expected to increase to quiet to unsettled levels, with isolated active levels from 02 - 03 July, as another CH HSS becomes geoeffective. Activity is expected to decrease to predominantly quiet levels from 04 - 07 July. Activity is expected to increase to quiet to unsettled levels on 08-09 July as a CH HSS moves into a geoeffective position. Predominantly quiet levels are expected for the remainder of the period

571. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-06-14 22:08:43 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <65ef001a-8520-4a0a-a807-09ba1f68c8fa@a10g2000vbz.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4361

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On Jun 14, 12:27 am, SAMARA <jaidatta9...@gmail.com> wrote:
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572. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-06-14 22:09:16 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <e8bc82bf-7b1f-4b07-ab6a-fb409b32e956@hd10g2000vbb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4362

On Jun 14, 1:16 pm, Rosie Gillam <rosiegil...@gmail.com> wrote:
> Rampant rainfall, soaring temperatures, and high humidity have had a
> drastic affect on the insect

573. [DXNL] DXNL 1732 (Jun 15, 2011)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-06-14 22:50:16 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <135490000265.20110615004709@dxhf.darc.de>
Source record: 4363
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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FO - FRENCH POLYNESIA / MARQUESAS ISLANDS / AUSTRAL ISLANDS
Yves,F6CTL, and his XYL are travelling to the Polynesian islands again
for the 5th time. Though Yves emphasizes that this is NOT a DXpedition
he will take his IC-7000 and a vertical or dipole with him. He plans
to work with 100 watts in SSB and digital modes from following islands:
Jun 18-22 Ua Pou Marquesas Islands, OC-027
Jun 22-26 Ua Huka Marquesas Islands, OC-027
Jun 27-29 Raitea French Polynesia, OC-067
Jun 30-Jul 3 Bora Bora French Polynesia, OC-067
Jul 3-7 Rangiroa French Polynesia, OC-066
Jul 7-10 Tahiti French Polynesia, OC-046
Jul 11-14 Rimatara Austral Islands, OC-050
QSL cards should be sent via his homecall, direct or via French bureau.

FS - ST MARTIN, NA-105
John,FS/K9EL, will be active again in CW, SSB and some RTTY on 80m-6m
from Saint Martin (NA-105, DIFO FS-001, WLOTA 0383) between Jun 20 and
Jul 3. His equipment includes an IC-7000, verticals for HF and a 3ele
yagi for 6m. QSL via bureau or direct to his homecall or via LoTW.
The first week is planned as a family holiday and the second week as
DXpedition. John had to postpone this trip by one week.

HB0 - LIECHTENSTEIN
DL4ML, DL6OLI, DJ8KI, DG1SFJ and DL4MP will be QRV from Liechtenstein
from Jun 18-21. Their QTH is situated 1.400m a.s.l. and they will work
on all bands from 80m-10m, 6m and 2m. Equipment includes verticals and
dipoles and one station with a 600 watts amplifier. On 6m they will use
a 4 ele yagi and on 2m a 7 ele yagi with 170 watts. Altogether they
want to operate three stations simultaneously.
QSL cards should be sent via bureau or direct to their homecalls.

KH0 - NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS, OC-086
Tony,JA6CNL, will show up as KH0N from Saipan (OC-086) from Jun 17-21.
He also plans to take part in the All Asian CW DX Contest. Tony prefers
to work in CW on 80m and the WARC bands outside of the contest.
QSL cards should be sent via his homecall.

T8 - PALAU, OC-009
Nao,JK1FNL, will be QRV as T88NA from Palau (OC-009) from Jun 18-20.
QSL cards should be sent - also via bureau - to his homecall.

TK - CORSICA, EU-014
Marco,TK/IW2IGA, and Sebastiano,TK/IK2WZM, will be active in SSB and
digital modes on 80m-10m from Corsica (EU-014) from Jun 18-25.
QSLs via bureau or direct to their homecalls.

ZC4 - BRITISH SOVEREIGN BASES ON CYPRUS, AS-004
Mike,KF6RCP, is spending his holidays on Cyprus (AS-004) for the next
four months and will be QRV as ZC4MIS during that time. His station
includes a FT-817ND, a LDG Z817 Tuner and a Buddistick antenna and is
put up at the beach most of the time. Mike is working mainly on 20m in
SSB/PSK31/JT65. Skeds can be arranged via e-mail to kf6rcp@gmail.com
QSL via KF6RCP, also via LoTW or eQSL.

8Q - MALEDIVES, AS-013
Vlad,RA9LR (ex-S79LR), will be active from the Maledives (AS-013)
signing 8Q7LR from Jun 21 until Jul 2. Vlad prefers to work in digital
modes on 40m-10m, but sometimes also in SSB.
QSL via bureau or direct to UA9LP.

SOUTH SUDAN
In our last issue we wrote that the group around OH2BH has postponed
their DXpedition because the new DXCC status will not come into effect
automatically after the independence of this country.
Regardless of that the members of the "Intrepid-DX Group" and the
"DX Friends/Tifariti Gang" (http://www.dxfriends.com/SouthernSudan2011)
are still sticking to their plans to hit the airwaves on July 9. They
already have a licence from the appropriate government authorities.
They plan to hit the airwaves with 18 operators and at least seven
stations at the same time from the future capital Juba. They are still
looking for sponsors to support their efforts.
Meanwhile South Sudan already applied for a membership within the
United Nations. After joining the United Nations South Sudan will
become a new DXCC entity automatically.

DXCC: Once again there will be a QSL checkpoint for the DXCC on the HAMRADIO
fair in Friedrichshafen. Thanks to the presence of the ARRL MVP Manager
Dave Patton,NN1N, you can also bring QSL cards for 160m or deleted
entities.

The QSL cards of the current VK0KEV activity from Macquarie Island are
accepted for DXCC credit now. The same applies to the QSL cards of
TJ9PF (Cameroon 2011). Due to a software bug the QSL labels of TJ9PF
show the year 2001 instead of 2011. The DXCC Desk has been informed

about that and accepts those QSLs as well.

SILENT KEYS: Alexey A. Voronkin (UR5EDU) died when he fell from his antenna mast. Other DXers who put away their key forever were:
Kurt Klement (HS0ZIE/SM7WGP), Jack L. Sheldon (KG7X),
Sergei P. Velikanov (RX6CU), Vladimir E. Pakhorukov (UA9YC),
Terry Young (VP6TY), Guy J. Shields (W4GBU),
Russell W. Shepherd, Jr. (W4SKW), and John W. Lynch (WA3G)

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de
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The homepage of the upcoming DXpedition to Malpelo Island provides much material for discussion. They offer QSL cards and LoTW confirmations only against payment. Twelve OPs plan to become QRV as HK0NA next year.
Check: http://store01.prostores.com/servlet/malpelodx2012/StoreFront

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Jun 19: DIE Contest (see: http://www.diplomadie.net)
Jun 18/19: JARL All Asian DX Contest

IOTA collected by Ric,DL2VFR (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
EU-010, GM, Outer Hebrides: An international team will be QRV as MS0INT from the islands Benbecula, South Uist, North Uist, Grimsay, Baleshare and Bemeray from Jun 14-20. QSL via M0URX. See also: http://www.ms0int.com
Following activities are planned this week:
Jun 14 - MM/F4BKV and MM0NDX/p, South Uist, Berneray (EU-010)
Jun 15 - MM/F4BKV and MM0NDX/p, Benbecula (EU-010),
MM/F4BKV and MM/EI6DX, Grimsay (EU-010),
MM/EA5KA and MM/EA3OR, North Uist (EU-010),
MM/EA3NT and MM0NDX/p, Baleshare (EU-010),
MM/IZ7ATN, Berneray (EU-010)
Jun 16 - MS0INT/p, Monachs (EU-111), for 24 hours
Jun 17-20 - MS0INT Hirta, EU-059, with three stations (CW, SSB, 6m)

EU-052, SV8, Ipeiros/Dytiki Ellas Region Group: Several Greek HAMs plan to activate Kastri lighthouse (ARLHS GRE-078) on Othonoi Island for the very first time from Jun 17-26. See also: http://www.j48o.com
QSLs for J48O via SP2FPU (bureau/direct).

EU-059, GM, St Kilda: MS0INT wants to show up from Hirta Island as well from Jun 17-20. QSL via M0URX (bureau/direct).

EU-111, GM, Monach Islands: Even the Monachs are on the list of planned activities of MS0INT (Jun 16). QSL via M0URX.

EU-177, SM, Sodermanland/Ostergotland County Group: SD1B/5 plans to become active from Aspoja from Jun 19 until Jul 1. QSL via DL8AAV.

NA-009, VY0, Nunavut (Parry Islands) Group: The activity of NQ6K/VY0 from Devon Island - the largest uninhabited island on earth - was originally planned for the mid of June. The new date is scheduled for the end of the month.

NA-026, K, NY State group: K2EFG announced to become QRV from Fire Island on 20m and 40m from Jun 18-23. QSL via K2EFG (bureau/direct).

NA-046, K, MA State South group: K1VSJ will be active again from Martha's Vineyard between Jun 16 and Sep 5.

NA-112, K, NC State West group: N4LA will spend his holidays on Emerald Island from Jun 20-25. From time to time he wants to work in SSB on 10m-40m. QSLs direct or via LoTW. See also: http://www.n4la.com

Bandspots of the last 7 days

40m
HB0/HB9ELV/p 7.117 0915Z
MC0SHL 7.144 2206Z EU-124, FF15, (L)
TM5BBC 7.031 1200Z via F2UW

30m
J48HW 10.117 0642Z EU-174, via HA0HW (B)
LZ1016WIW 10.104 0603Z via LZ bureau
OJ0B 10.108 1847Z via OH2BH (B)
SG3U 10.115 0503Z EU-084, (B)
VE7AHA 10.120 0410Z

20m
IR7ITA/p 14.044 1610Z IFF-424, via IK7JWX (B)
MC0SHL 14.260 1421Z EU124, FF15, (L)
MS0RSD/p 14.250 1230Z EU-008, via M0URX (B)
MW0OXO/p 14.240 1233Z EU-005, FF-15, via M0OXO
N4EX/p 14.061 1625Z SOTA GA-003
SD7V/2 14.040 1452Z EU-139, via DL2VFR (B)
SF2BRN 14.020 1507Z via SA2BRN (B)
SM2/DL2RNS 14.040 1559Z EU-139, via DL2RNS (B)
SV8/DL6NBR 14.261 1411Z EU-049, via DL6NBR (B)
V85SS 14.003 1640Z (d)
WA2USA/2 14.061 1625Z SOTA GA-003, (B)
9K2UU 14.190 1714Z (d)

17m
BA4DW/4 18.069 0807Z AS-160, (d)
CO8LY 18.070 1209Z via EA7ADH (d)
KH2/JF2CRP 18.083 0556Z via JF2CRP (B)
MC0SHL 18.155 1655Z EU-124, FF15 (L)
SV2ASP/A 18.092 1314Z (d)
VP5/W4OX 18.077 1213Z
VP5/W9RN 18.077 1341Z NA-002

9M2/KM9D 18.087 1436Z OC-058, via OM2SA (d)

15m
OH0VM 21.011 1610Z via OH6VM (B)
ZS3Y 21.240 0806Z via SQ8X (B)

10m
HG15IPA 28.011 1720Z via HA3JB (d)
OH0I 28.492 1531Z via OH3BHL (B)
OY2J 28.020 0841Z (d)
PJ2/W8QID 28.028 1914Z
ZD7FT 28.496 1152Z (d)

6m
CT1FFU 50.097 1109Z
CT1IUA 50.092 0943Z
EB4IC 50.095 1004Z
LA8BCA 50.104 0834Z
OH5LK 50.144 0957Z
OY2J 50.085 1324Z (d)
SK0CT 50.096 1048Z
SK2AT 50.092 1052Z
SM/OH5LID 50.131 1119Z via OH5LID (B)
SM3TLG 50.173 0827Z (B)
SQ4KBB 50.154 1147Z
SV2CX/2 50.157 0854Z
SV2IPF 50.140 0830Z
UR5LAK 50.099 0837Z
ZB2EO 50.090 0954Z (d)

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Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

-Dec 3Y8XSA 1700/1717
-25Oct 5B50J 1700
-Apr/12 5Z4RH ? 1674
-30Nov 8J1MORSE.. 1731
21Jun-02Jul 8Q7LR 1732 *
-31Dec 9A11P 1723
12Jun-22Jun 9A/DH7KU 1731
-Sep 9J2KK 1682
NOW 9M2/KM9D 1731
-Jul 9M2/RA9LR 1727
SOON 9Q1EK 1669
-Nov 9Q6CC 1699

-Aug A92IO 1663
-31Dec BP100 1684
-31Dec BV100 1684
31May-20Jun CN2RN 1730
-31Dec CW5RV 1711
12Jun-17Jun DL2RU/p 1731
-31Aug DL20Y2DM 1700
11Jun-18Jun F/DJ2VO.. 1731
-Aug FO8RZ 1636
18Jun-14Jul FO/F6CTL 1732 *
-Jul/12 FR8NE 1710
20Jun-03Jul FS/K9EL 1732 *
12Jun-17Jun GM0BUX/p 1731

-31Dec HB60LU 1711
18Jun-21Jun HB0/DL4ML.. 1732 *
-31Dec HG15IPA 1724
01Jan-31Dec HG200LST 1708
-30Jun HG2011A 1713
01Jan-31Dec IA7MM 1708
01Jan-31Dec II1ITA.. 1708
01Mar-30Sep IO4UI 1717
-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul/12 J28RO 1683
17Jun-26Jun J48O 1732 *
10Jun-15Jun JW1EOA 1731

16Jun-05Sep K1VSJ 1732 *
18Jun-23Jun K2EFG 1732 *
10Jun-17Jun KF4VTT/VP9 1731
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
-May/12 KH4/W5FJG 1728
POSTPONED KH5 1674/1705
17Jun-21Jun KH0N 1732 *
-31Dec LA200D 1713
-31Dec LZ85R 1721
12Jun-17Jun MJ/EA1AP.. 1731
14Jun-20Jun MS0INT 1732 *
17Jun-21Jun MU/EA1AP.. 1731

20Jun-25Jun N4LA 1732 *
Jun NQ6K/VY0 1732 *
May &Aug OL100VP 1721
Jun OL1911VP 1721
Apr &Jul OL2011VP 1721
22May-17Jun OZ/DL4VM 1729
-Sep P29CW 1713
01Jan-31Dec PA30.. 1708
06Jun-20Jun PA/DL1KD 1730
11Jun-18Jun PG6N 1731
04Jun-19Jun PJ4E 1730
-Jun PP0T 1725

-Dec RI1ANC 1708
09Jul- South Sudan 1731/1732 *
19Jun-01Jul SD1B/5 1732 *
01May-31Jul SQ100MSC 1725
-Jul T6TL 1695/1727
18Jun-20Jun T88NA 1732 *
18Jun-25Jun TK/IW2IGA.. 1732 *
01Jun-15Jun TM6JUN 1730
09Jul/10Jul TM90LH 1727

14Jun-28Jun V25TP.. 1731
19May-Jul V31XB 1728
-Mar/12 VK0KEV (Macq) 1700/1701
-Jun VK0M/ZL4DB/p 1725
08Jun-18Jun VP2MRT 1731
May -Aug W3CVD/4 1726
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
15Jun-19Jun XK1T 1732 *
NOW XT2RJA 1712
-Sep ZC4MIS 1732 *
-Sep ZD9GI 1691
-31Dec ZL50GH 1711

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

A41OO via NI5DX (d)
AJ2L/KH2 via JI3QBQ (B)
AY5F via LU5FC (B)
BD7ANX via BA4EG (B)
CN2RN via F8FGU (B)
DL/SQ5AWR via SQ5AWR (B)
DW8BXU via JF1LZQ (B)
EA6/DK5IR via DK5IR (B)
EE5CYI via EC5CYI (B)
EE5DM via EA5DM (B)
EE5FL via EA5FL (B)
EE5HAB via EA5HAB (B), eQSL
EE5KB via EA5KB (B)
EE7E via EA7IZJ (B)
EG1DN via EB1CAM (B), (L)
EG5FUV via EA5KB (B)
EG7YFI via EA7NL (B), eQSL
EG8LP via EA8URL (B)
EH1EPC via EC1AAC
EM44U via UT7UT (L), eQSL
EM7MFF via US1MM
MR6ATU via MM6ATU
MR6CCU via MI6CCU
MR6CHM via MM6CHM

MR6CTH via MM6CTH
MR6CTL via MM6CTL (d), eQSL
MR0MSX via M0MSX
MR0MVP via MI0MVP (B), eQSL
MR0NNH via M0NNH
MR0OIL via MM0OIL
MR0ONZ via M0ONZ
MR0ORR via M0ORR eQSL
MS0RSD via M0URX (B)
MW0OXO/p via M3ZYZ (B)
NP4Z via N4AO
OE/DL4CW/p via G6XOU (B), eQSL
OJ0VM via OH6VM (B)
OK1KIG via OK1AR (B)
OK8YM via DL5YM (B)
ON1815NAP via ON4CMR (B)
PC11AMBER via PA0FAW (B)
PJ4/K4BAI via K4BAI (B)
SX1L via DL1JCZ (B)
SX8V via SV1JG (B)
TF8SM via NI5DX (B)
TI7/N5BEK via N5BEK (d)
TJ9EM via HB9TYH
TK/DC3VW via DC3VW
TK/DC3WP via DC3WP
TM2RHC via F4EUN (B)
TM5BBC via F2UW
TM6JUN via F5NKX (B)
TM6X via F5VHY
TM95BV via F6KUP (B), F5LPY (d)
TO8A via R5GA (B), (L)
UP0L via DL8KAC (d)
UQ40I via UN7IT
UR4MKY via UR9MC (d)
UV0I via UR5IFX
V47DA via DL1DA (B)
V84SGR via V8MVE
VE7/K6VVA via N6AWD (B)
VK2HSL/BV2 via VK2HSL (d)
VR2KF via JH1OGX (B)
W2W via K3NEM (B)
WH0EWX via SP7IXT (B), (L)
XE2S via WD9EWK (B)
YP6EPC via YO6AJI (B)
YT0EPC via YT7WA (B), eQSL
YV9AA via YV5AJ (B)
Z21LS via DE1ZHB (B)
Z330F via Z33F
ZX5J via AI4U (B)
5T0JL via ON8RA (B)

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QSLs arrived direct: ZD8RH (G4DBW), ZL50VK (ZL1VK)

QSLs arrived bureau: AT2RS (AS-199, DL4KO), BP100S (BX4AN), BW0IR (AS-020),
B7P, CE/K8GU, CT3/DL9MWG, DU1/IV3IYH (OC-128),
EA8/DJ5AA [AF-004), EA8/OK1NG (AF-004), FK8DD (LZ1JZ),
HB0/DK9TN, HS0ZEE,IB0/IK2WRO (EU-045),JD1BLY (JE5RPT),
3W6C (AS-185, HB9LU), 4K9W (DL6KVA), 5B/DF6FR,
5Q0PI (OZ6PI), 6V1F (SM5GMZ), 6W1SE (JR2KDN),
9H3TX (EU-023, DL5XAT), 9M2TO (AS-015, JA0DMV),
9V1/AD6ZJ (AS-019), 9Y/DL2DBE (DJ5BWD)

QSL via LoTW: A52PRO, CX2TG, E71DX, E74A, EA8AJO, GB0HI, GR3TXF,
GR3VQO/p, HB0/IK5PWB, HB0/SP7VC, HK0/AA5AU, J79M,
LZ1802PLO, OK7CM/p, OZ/OO4O, P40V, P40YL, P41YL, P49V,
PJ2/KE1B, PJ2/W6NN, PY0FM, PZ5YV, TR8CA, UA2FR, V55V,
VK4ADC, XE2/EA6UP, YF1R, ZL2IFB, ZS3Y, ZS6AL, 2U0ARE,
3XY6A, 3XY8A, 4A4A, 4X20HC, 6V6U, 6W1RT, 6W6/K3IPK,
8Q7GC, 8Q7TV

New Prefixes in Russia

A number of new prefixes from the Russian Federation appeared on the bands
lately after the recent changes of the Russian telecommunication authorities
- Russian prefixes with the number 2 are no longer limited to Kaliningradsk.
Stations with RA2 and UA2-UI2 (with F and K as first letter in the suffix)
are in Kaliningradsk; otherwise, these prefixes will be used in European
Russia.
- Stations with the following prefixes are in European Russia:
R1, RA1-RZ1, R2, RB2-RZ2, R3-R7, RA3-RZ7, UA1, UA3-UI7, as well as R8, R9,
RA8-RZ9 and UA8-UI9 (with F, S, T, W or X as first letter in the suffix)
are in European Russia.
- Except for those listed above, all stations with 8, 9 and 0 as the numeral
are in Asiatic Russia.
- Russian Antarctic stations use temporary call signs in the series
RI1ANA-RI1ANZ and RI00ANT-RI99ANT.
- Franz Jozef Land stations use temporary call signs RI1F, RI1FJ and
RI1FJA-RI1FJZ.
- Malyj Visotskij island stations use temporary callsigns RI1M, RI1MV and
RI1MVA-RI1MVZ.

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574. The ARES E-Letter for June 15, 2011

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==> "WHAT AN UNBELIEVABLE RESPONSE"

Missouri SEC Ken Baremore, W0KRB <http://www.qrz.com/db/w0krb>, sent
the following open letter to volunteers involved in the Joplin,
Missouri tornado disaster:
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"I want to thank all who volunteered and came to Joplin to help with communications as well as those who are still contacting me to see if additional help is needed. Due to the ending of the search and recovery mode and going to the debris and potential body part removal functions, the decision was made that effective at the end of shift today (Monday, May 30, 2011) all ham communications from the EOCs to the field operations are being stood down. We do have some ARES® operators that are scheduled and will continue to work with SATERN <http://www.satern.org> through the rest of this week.

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"Ham communications between Springfield and Joplin started Sunday night
between Freeman Hospital in Joplin and some of the hospitals in
Springfield as that was the only means of communication. The links were
shut down Monday morning when their needs were met. Likewise, the radio
station at the Springfield Red Cross was started Sunday evening to
allow communications between the Springfield and Joplin offices and to
the shelter that was set up in Joplin. That communication link stayed
open until Tuesday as it was the only reliable method of
communications.
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"I asked Cecil Higgins, AC0HA, Assistant DEC for District D, to respond to Joplin on Tuesday morning and act as "Ham in Charge" during the disaster and help to set up additional communication links as required. Thomas Zeller, KB0ORZ, EC for Jasper County, and LaVerne Wilson, NQ0B, EC for Newton County, were already in place, with members of their respective ARES® groups trying to support the EOCs and Red Cross, but relief was needed.

"Our ham operators expended almost 2000 hours during this week. What an unbelievable response. I know that many of you were scrambling to find

the necessary equipment to allow you to come help this week. It is a great feeling for me to know that I am part of an organization with people willing to give up vacation or personal time to help out in a time of need. I hope we don't have another need anytime soon but it is nice to know that we have hams and ARES® members ready to serve. Again, I can't thank you all enough." -- 73, Kenneth Baremore, W0KRB, Missouri Section Emergency Coordinator [See also Missouri ARES® <http://www.ares-mo.org/>.]

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==> ARES® DIGEST

June 6, 2011 -- SATERN Thanks Amateurs for Responding to Call for Assistance, All Slots Filled
<http://www.arrl.org/news/satern-thanks-amateurs-for-responding-to-call-for-assistance-all-slots-filled>

June 2, 2011 -- Central Massachusetts Experiences Rare Tornado, Area Hams Hasten to Help
<http://www.arrl.org/news/central-massachusetts-experiences-rare-tornado-area-hams-hasten-to-help>

May 31, 2011 -- ARES®Stands Down After Joplin Storms, CERT Volunteers Needed
<http://www.arrl.org/news/ares-stands-down-after-joplin-storms-cert-volunteers-needed>

May 25, 2011 -- Radio Amateurs Assist American Red Cross, Served Agencies During Joplin Storm
<http://www.arrl.org/news/radio-amateurs-assist-american-red-cross-served-agencies-during-joplin-storm>

May 23, 2011 -- ARRL to Testify on Interoperable Public Safety Network
<http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-to-testify-on-interoperable-public-safety-network>

==> ARES® A HIT AT ARRL NATIONAL CONVENTION IN TEXAS

The ARES® Forum and ARES® booth were popular areas at the 2011 ARRL National Convention <http://www.arrl.org/2011-arrl-national-convention> at Ham-Com in Plano, Texas, this past weekend. ARRL Emergency Preparedness Manager Mike Corey, W5MPC conducted the standing room only ARES® forum. Corey gave the same program that he presented in Dayton and received another enthusiastic, positive response from the audience. Topcis covered during the ARES® forum included: training, creating a positive public image, actions we can take to improve ARES®, and dispelling some emcomm myths. Several good questions and comments came from the Texas crowd.

ARRL Southeastern Division Director Greg Sarratt, W4OZK, reported enjoying talking to many emcomm-oriented convention-goers from Texas and the entire region at the League's National Convention ARES® booth. Many hams were interested in the ARES® response and incorporation of D-STAR in the April Alabama tornado outbreak. Sarratt said "the Texas hams have a fine ARES® program, and I enjoyed their hospitality and greatly appreciate their well wishes for the Alabama Tornado victims."

==> WD4R: NATIONAL HURRICANE CENTER'S ANNUAL STATION TEST A SUCCESS

The crew at WX4NHC performed its annual National Hurricane Center Hurricane Season Station Test on June 4. This is our 31st year of volunteer public service at the center. The station radio equipment and antennas were tested on multiple frequencies and fine tuned for what may become a busy season by some predictions.

We made more than one hundred contacts on HF around the USA, Canada, with several Caribbean countries, and even as far as England. We also tested several of our local repeaters on VHF/UHF.

The VoIP Hurricane Net conducted a net for two hours on EchoLink/IRLP

using a similar format used during our hurricane activation as a practice test, which resulted in several dozen contacts. The WX4NHC operators for this test were: AF4VJ, K4AG, K4PAA, KJ4YDX, WB4L, WD4R and WX2L.

We welcomed a new WX4NHC operator, Mike Kelley, KJ4YDX, who recently upgraded to General. Kelley is the Vice Chairman for the University of Miami School of Medicine and was Chief Operating Officer for the UM/Medishare Haiti Mission Command Center and Field Hospital in Port-au-Prince, Haiti, in the aftermath of the earthquake.

We extend our thanks to all who listened for us and made contacts. Your contacts helped us confirm our equipment and antennas' performance and helped us practice our operating skills at NHC. We hope we can count on your support during the next hurricane on the Hurricane Watch Net 14.325 MHz or the EchoLink Conference WX_Talk (node 7203) or IRLP (node 9219).For more information: www.wx4nhc.org <http://www.wx4nhc.org/> -- Julio Ripoll, WD4R, WX4NHC Amateur Radio Assistant Coordinator (Celebrating 31 years at the National Hurricane Center

<http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/>)

==> ECAC DRAFTING MDEC SPECS

In January, 2007, a landmark report with recommendations was tendered with the ARRL Board of Directors at their Annual Meeting. The document was the culmination of the hard work and deliberation of the ARRL National Emergency Response Planning Committee, a special select group chaired by then-Vice President and current ARRL President Kay Craigie, N3KN. One of the key concepts proposed by the committee was the Major Disaster Emergency Coordinator (MDEC) appointment. The idea was to have a manager who would coordinate Amateur Radio operations, operators and resources supporting served agencies during a major disaster relief operation when section and regional ARES® assets are overwhelmed similar to operations performed in the Hurricane Katrina response. The MDEC's line of authority would be derived from the ARRL's disaster response emergency manager at HQ and would parallel the affected area's Section Managers. The MDEC position was envisioned to be a continuous appointment but would only be active when called upon by the HQ manager.

The recommendation was to have the MDEC be responsible for the "establishment of an as needed emergency communications structure - the Disaster Field Team - designed to fulfill served agency requests and/or augment the existing Field Services structure established by the Section Manager." The Disaster Field Team (DFT) would be assembled from the ARRL national ARES® database. The purpose of the DFT would be to provide support for the infrastructure of relief organizations that bring resources into the disaster zone and cannot be served by the local Field Organization. The MDEC function has been tested in exercises with served agencies and ARES with success.

The ARRL Emergency Communications Advisory Committee (ECAC) is currently drafting appointment protocols and requirements. As presently conceived by the committee, there will be several MDECs geographically arranged by ARRL Division. The geography, and hence the actual MDEC headcount, is being determined at this time.

The ECAC was established at the January, 2010 Board meeting. Each of the 15 ARRL Divisions has a representative on the ECAC. There is also a representative from Radio Amateurs Canada, a Board of Directors liaison, and a HQ staff liaison. Committee members are exceptionally qualified and recognized members of the emergency communications community. The committee will report its recommendations and draft appointment guidelines to the Programs and Services Committee.

Members include: Jim Cross, WI3N (Atlantic Division); Bill Niemuth, KB9ENO (Central Division); Jim Zahradnicek, KD0S (Dakota Division); Jim Coleman, AI5B (Delta Division); Chairman Dale Williams, WA8EFK (Great Lakes Division); Jim Mezey, W2KFV (Hudson Division); Reynolds Davis, K0GND (Midwest Division); Dave Colter, WA1ZCN (New England Division);

Gordon Grove, WA7LNC (Northwestern Division); James R Latham, AF6AQ (Pacific Division); Charlie Miller, AE4UX (Roanoke Division); Jeff Ryan, K0RM (Rocky Mountain) ; Rick Palm, K1CE (Southeastern Division); Grant Hays, WB6OTS (Southwestern Division); Glen Reid, K5FX (West Gulf Division); and Doug Mercer, VO1DTM (Radio Amateurs of Canada). Board Liaison is Mickey Cox, K5MC. And Staff Liaison is Mike Corey, W5MPC.

==> TIP: THE FIXER

Something that every ARES® team needs is a "fixer" - a skilled tech equipped not so much with radios, but with test equipment and supplies of tools, wire, connectors, and repair materials. The team "fixer" is a person who can fix or jury-rig just about anything and who can improvise as needed to keep things running. With a majority of team members focused on communications and organization, this function needs attention during planning and training for response and deployment. It's a great path for mentoring hams from non-technical backgrounds so they are better prepared to maintain operational status under field conditions. In addition, this function is a natural for hams from a "do it yourself" (DIY) background - a prime source of recruitment to Amateur Radio. -- Ward Silver, N0AX <http://www.qrz.com/db/n0ax>, ARRL QST Contributing Editor

==> Q&A: ARES® VERSUS RACES

Q: I would enjoy reading an article about the similarities and differences between the ARES® groups and the RACES groups. I am part of an ARES® group, but I really don't know why ARRL has two organizations that seem to be doing the same thing. -- Mike Sallee, KC9FWL, Bloomington, Illinois

A: After World War II, it became evident that the international situation was destined to be tense and the need for some civil-defense measures became apparent. Successive government agencies designated to head up such a program called on amateur representatives to participate.

In the discussions that followed, amateurs were interested in getting two points across: First, that Amateur Radio had a potential for and capability of playing a major role in this program; and second, that our participation should be in our own name, as an Amateur Radio Service, even if and after war should break out. These principles were included into the planning by the formulation of regulations creating a new branch of the amateur service, the Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service, RACES.

RACES is administered by local, county and state emergency management agencies, and supported by FEMA. It is a part of the Amateur Radio Service that provides radio communications for civil-preparedness purposes only, during periods of local, regional or national civil emergencies. These emergencies are not limited to war-related activities, but can include natural disasters such as fires, floods and

earthquakes.

RACES operation is authorized by emergency management officials only, and this operation is strictly limited to official civil-preparedness activity in the event of an emergency communications situation.

Operating Procedure

Amateurs operating in a local RACES organization must be officially enrolled in the local civil-preparedness agency having jurisdiction. RACES operation is conducted by amateurs using their own primary station licenses and by existing RACES stations.

The FCC no longer issues new RACES (WC prefix) station call signs. Operator privileges in RACES are dependent upon, and identical to, those for the class of license held in the Amateur Radio Service. All of the authorized frequencies and emissions allocated to the Amateur Radio Service are also available to RACES on a shared basis.

While RACES was originally based on potential use for wartime, it has evolved over the years, as has the meaning of civil defense (which is also called civil preparedness), to encompass all types of emergencies.

While operating in a RACES capacity, RACES stations and amateurs registered in the local RACES organization may not communicate with amateurs not operating in a RACES capacity. Such restrictions do not apply when such stations are operating in a non-RACES--such as ARES&#65533;--amateur capacity. Only civil-preparedness communications can be transmitted.

Test and drills are permitted only for a maximum of one hour per week. All test and drill messages must be clearly so identified. With the approval of the chief officer for emergency planning and applicable state, Commonwealth, district or territory, however, such tests and drills may be conducted for a period not to exceed 72 hours no more than twice in any calendar year.

ARES&#65533; and RACES

Although RACES and ARES&#65533; are separate entities, the ARRL advocates dual membership and cooperative efforts between both groups whenever possible for an ARES&#65533; group whose members are all enrolled in and certified by RACES to operate in an emergency with great flexibility. Using the same operators and the same frequencies, an ARES&#65533; group also enrolled as RACES can "switch hats" from ARES&#65533; to RACES and RACES to ARES&#65533; to meet the requirements of the situation as it develops. For example, during a "nondeclared emergency," ARES&#65533; can operate under ARES&#65533;, but when an emergency or disaster is officially declared by a state or federal authority, the operation can become RACES with no change in personnel or frequencies.

This situation is still not well understood and accepted throughout the United States; both ARES&#65533; and RACES still exist, separately, in many

areas.

Where there is currently no RACES, it would be a simple matter for an ARES® group to enroll in that capacity, after a presentation to the civil-preparedness authorities. In cases where both ARES® and RACES exist, it is possible to join both or to be involved in either. As time progresses, the goal would be the merger into one strong organization, with coordination between ARES® and RACES officials using the same groups of amateurs. In some sections of the U.S. today, the ARES® structure has also been accepted as the RACES structure.

==> FEMA ADMINISTRATOR: AMATEUR RADIO "THE LAST LINE OF DEFENSE"

In an FCC forum <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bzx-kvo1i_Y> on earthquake communications preparedness, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA <http://www.fema.gov/>) Administrator Craig Fugate described the Amateur Radio operator as "the ultimate backup, the originators of what we call social media." The forum-- held May 3 at FCC Headquarters in Washington, DC -- brought together officials from the White House, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS <http://www.dhs.gov/index.shtm>), the United States Geological Survey (USGS <http://www.usgs.gov/>), FEMA, the FCC and the private sector. Fugate and FCC Bureau of Public Safety and Homeland Security Chief Jamie Barnett gave the opening remarks.

Later in the forum, Fugate spoke more on Amateur Radio. "During the initial communications out of Haiti, volunteers using assigned frequencies that they are allocated, their own equipment, their own money, nobody pays them, were the first ones oftentimes getting word out in the critical first hours and first days as the rest of the systems came back up," he told the forum. "I think that there is a tendency because we have done so much to build infrastructure and resiliency in all our other systems, we have tended to dismiss that role 'When Everything Else Fails.' Amateur Radio oftentimes is our last line of defense."

Fugate said that he thinks "we get so sophisticated and we have gotten so used to the reliability and resilience in our wireless and wired and our broadcast industry and all of our public safety communications, that we can never fathom that they'll fail. They do. They have. They will. I think a strong Amateur Radio community [needs to be] plugged into these plans. Yes, most of the time they're going to be bored, because a lot of the time, there's not a lot they're going to be doing that other people aren't doing with Twitter and Facebook and everything else. But when you need Amateur Radio, you really need them."

Readers can watch a video of the forum <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bzx-kvo1i_Y> on YouTube. Fugate's remarks begin at 18:55.

==> LETTERS

Here are three ideas for future editions of the ARES® E-Letter. First, with more than 35 years in AREC and ARES® communications, a question was posed at an ARES®/RACES meeting this past Monday evening which I could not answer. Basically, has anyone assembled a profile on the quantities of messaging traffic typically experienced during various types of emergency ARES® and RACES activations? Those posing this question are not looking for an answer based on bands and modes of operation, but more along the lines of rough percentages of tactical voice communications vs. written traffic support by type of emergency. Uncovering this data from other areas would help improve resource planning and training in this Section, and I presume other recipients of the ARES® E-Letter across the country as well.

The second topic I would like to suggest is sharing of District-level and Section-level written plans that outline mutual aid agreements for sharing of re-deployable ARES® resources among counties, districts, and sections.

And thirdly, last month's ARES® E-Letter mentions the subject of "self-deployment" by amateurs, most of who are untrained in ARES® methodologies and could be more of a hindrance than a help to emergency work. It would be interesting to hear how other areas of the country have planned for and dealt with this highly anticipated situation. In my local area, for example, the Clark Regional Emergency Services Agency has made plans for establishing gathering points throughout their service area where spontaneous responders, including medical personnel, can assemble following a major emergency event. The local ARES®/RACES group has plans in place to "collect" Amateur Radio volunteers at these same points, do a quick interview of their experience and capabilities, and deploy them alongside trained ARES® members as needed. I hope these suggestions are topic ideas you can use. -- Steve Aberle, WA7PTM, ARRL Official Emergency Station (OES), Western Washington Section

==> NVOAD CONFERENCE BRINGS TOGETHER 30 DISASTER GROUPS

On May 24 through May 26 all roads led to the heart of the country for the 19th Annual NVOAD Conference at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Kansas City, Missouri. The mission and purpose of NVOAD <http://www.nvoad.org/> (National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster) is to provide a forum where organizations share knowledge and resources throughout the disaster cycle -- preparation, response and recovery -- to help disaster survivors and their communities. The conference was well attended, with 550 people checking in. ARRL is a national member of NVOAD.

A number of forums gave participants the opportunity to hear firsthand from the other organizations about their roles in aiding with disaster recovery. Over 30 organizations had booths displaying the various services they provide, ranging from small portable water purification units, clothing items made from plastic bottles and even shrink-wrapped diaper packets!

The importance of such a forum was punctuated by the devastating tornado in Joplin just before the conference began. In addition, during the first full day of the conference several tornadoes were sighted nearby and were reported to be heading toward the downtown area. Appropriate precautions were taken and attendees were directed to suitable shelter. Fortunately, no damage occurred.

The Service Project during the conference was greatly enlarged this year with the beginning of construction of a house for a local family. Another hands-on project <http://numanainc.com/index.php/faq/> in which my wife and I participated during the event included packaging food kits to be sent to Louisiana in preparation for the upcoming hurricane season.

Jim Andera, K0NK, from Gardner, Kansas gave an excellent presentation on "Amateur Radio in Emergencies and Disaster Relief Efforts." He first provided background on Amateur Radio and the different modes that amateurs use. He went on to describe the communication capabilities amateurs can provide in disaster communications. After the session, a number of people wanted to know more about Amateur Radio and its public service aspects. Andera left the convention to lend a hand in Joplin.

The 2012 National VOAD Convention will be held in Virginia. --Chuck Skolaut, K0BOG, ARRL HQ

==> K1CE FOR A FINAL

One of things missing from many tornado reports is discussion of the insidious psychological traumas that are inflicted upon survivors that linger forever after the media trucks and emergency management vehicles have rolled out of town. A good friend of mine, Dan Woll, wrote of his personal experience in a gripping account published in the Cap Times, Wisconsin, a few days ago. It helps us as responders to have a deeper empathy for what the survivors are going through, and what they will go through for the rest of their lives, Click here <http://host.madison.com/ct/news/local/article_fb1f9c80-9140-11e0-84c2-001cc4c002e0.html>f
or
a must-read.

I'd like to thank Greg Sarratt, W4OZK, for asking me to serve on the League's Emergency Communications Advisory Committee (ECAC) as Southeastern Division rep. The committee was authorized and constituted by the Board of Directors last year. There are a number of qualified panelists on the committee and I am looking forward to working with them. A report on current ECAC work is included above, in this issue. See you next month! 73, Rick Palm, K1CE <http://www.qrz.com/db/k1ce>

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VHF INTERFERENCE PROBLEM SOLVED

WIA DIRECTOR BOB BRISTOW VK6POP SPEAKS

WYONG FIELD DAY DATE ANNOUNCED FOR 2012

THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING JUNE 19 2011.

The most recent case of an interfering device on 147.0067 MHz, affecting the
VK4RBN 2m repeater has been resolved.

Tim VK4TIM has had confirmation from one of ACMA's field officers that the
source of the interference in the Carindale area, was another one of those
Omni WEP-910D wireless headsets.

Once again, as in the previous dealt with, the device was radiating a carrier
at the address it was traced to, and that once again, VK4TIM had correctly
located the address of it's operation.

This device is no longer operating.

We should always keep an eye out for things such as this, and Tim was alerted
to it's presence when listening to the VK4RBN repeater whilst mobile, with
an evening to spare, it took only an hour to locate, and was very good
DF practice.

There is a high likelihood that there will be more of these devices out there and operating, and they are easy to find. We all need to be proactive in locating sources of interference in the Amateur bands.

NEVER EVER make direct contact with the household you track interference down to, fully document and contact theACMA.

It is believed that there has been a significant number of these things sold in Australia, an importer of them was prosecuted by the ACMA some years back, unfortunately not before potentially several hundred had been sold.

The carrier frequency of these devices is typically around 6kHz above the VK4RBN 147.000 frequency.

(Tim Moore, VK4TIM)

BUSHFIRE early warning sirens will be trialled in Steels Creek ahead of the next fire season.

The trial follows a two-year campaign by the community, many of whom were caught off-guard on Black Saturday as the massive fire front swept towards them.

Steels Creek resident Norm Stewart welcomed the prospect of early warning sirens in an area with poor mobile phone services.

"On the day of Black Saturday there was nothing on the radio warning us a fire was in our area, so we approached the Government to ask for an early warning system," Mr Stewart said.

"When our power goes out there is no phone service."

A second early warning system will be trialled in Olinda, with installation and testing of both expected to be completed before the start of the 2011-12 bushfire season.

Read the complete report in the Lilydale and Yarra Valley Leader

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As announced here on WIA national news, in AR magazine and on the WIA website, a commemorative Centenary DVD is being made available for purchase.

This professionally recorded and produced twin DVD boxed set includes footage from the 'WIA Centenary Convention Weekend of Activities' held last year in Canberra. Registrations to obtain a copy of the DVD will close at the end of this month 30th of June 2011. Don't miss out, register today to reserve copy, go to the WIA website and simply click "WIA Centenary Celebrations" under the news and events tab.

FROM ANDERSSON HOUSE THE WEEKLY WIA DIRECTORS SPOT.

Focus on Young People

It has been known for a long time that the Amateur Radio population in Australia is aging, and if nothing were to be done to address the situation, the hobby would be in danger of fading away.

A few years ago Amateur Radio Licensing in Australia underwent a review and restructure, bringing about changes that have now been proven to be successful in bringing new people into the hobby.

I've heard it said many times that the hobby has been "dumbed down", by the introduction of the Foundation license, however there is no evidence to support that assertion. In fact a large number of Foundation License holders go on to gain their Standard or Advanced licenses as a matter of course. This cements the position of the Foundation License as an entry level device to attract new people into the hobby.

So is the Amateur population growing? Yes, it is, and steadily, however the total number isn't growing by the number of new licensees entering the hobby. Why is this?

It's because our average age of Amateurs is quite high, and a number of Amateurs leave the hobby each year due to infirmity, lack of facilities in aged accommodation, or simply by going silent key. This slows down the net growth of licensees.

The WIA Board is seeking to attract younger people into the hobby, and has already adopted some strategies, and will develop others in the future. Concern about bringing younger people into Amateur Radio was expressed clearly several times at the Open Forum of the recent WIA AGM conference in Darwin.

The Board will soon announce and call for applications for the Club Grants Scheme for 2011, and some of the grants will help fund projects that will encourage young people to take an interest in Amateur Radio. The Board has already announced a low WIA membership fee for full time students under the age of 25.

The responsibility to pass on this great hobby to the younger generations rests with all of us, and whether we achieve it by our direct action, or by supporting the actions of others, we should all do what it takes.

I'm Bob VK6POP

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news

Hello everyone from the Central Coast Amateur Radio Club. My name's Rod VK2FVRJ.

Central Coast ARC Lecture Nights continue!

Lecture nights at the Central Coast ARC have proven to be very popular and will continue with this month's lecture being on the "Radio Mobile" software. The software shows topographical routes between two points and the possibility of communication between the points on VHF and UHF bands. This is very useful

information to have when setting up a VHF or UHF station whether it be at home, portable or for a contest.

The lecture will be given by Dave, VK2JDH to-morrow, Friday 17th June (for those reading the early edition) at the Central Coast ARC clubrooms in Dandaloo St, Kariong.

Lectures start promptly at 7:30pm, so please arrive early to avoid disruption and to get that special seat!

Upcoming lecture topics include - Green Electronics, APRS and Satellite Communications.

So come along and enjoy another great lecture at the club on the hill - Central Coast Amateur Radio Club!

International Lighthouse & Lightship Weekend

After entering two teams in the just completed VHF/UHF Winter Field Day contest, one station which allowed our less experienced Foundation licensees to get a taste of contesting, the Central Coast Amateur Radio Club is now gearing up for the International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend, on the 20th August. The CCARC will be operating from the surrounds of Nobby's head lighthouse in Newcastle and as far as the club is aware, this will be the first time that Nobby's Lighthouse has been registered for this annual event. CCARC will be operating alongside many other local clubs at various venues in Newcastle and on the Central Coast during this worldwide event.

CCARC Field Day at Wyong

A now the date we have all been waiting for,
the CCARC Field Day at Wyong will be on Sunday, 26th February 2012.

That's right! Sunday 26th February 2012

So put this date in your diary, book the leave pass and start saving those pennies for Amateur Radio's Big Day Out!

The Central Coast Amateur Radio Club meets on the first Friday of the month with the next meeting Friday 1st July 2011. The meeting will be held at the clubrooms in Dandaloo St Kariong at 7.30pm. The clubrooms are usually open each Saturday from 10.30 am and a Project and Development group meets each Tuesday at 7.30pm.

For more information, visit the club's website www.ccarc.org.au or call
02 4340 2500

(Rod VK2FVRJ Central Coast Amateur Radio Club Publicity Officer)

The Blue Mountains amateur radio club holds a HF NET ON 3.543 kHz on Tuesday night at 8pm, it also holds a 2 metre net on the club repeater
147.050 / 147.650, the repeater superimposes a 67Hz CTCSS subtone on Transmit for those who wish to use this feature.
A 123Hz CTCSS Subtone is required to access this repeater.

The Blue Mountains amateur radio club is holding its annual WINTERFEST on Sunday August 28th entry is $5 more details can be found by contacting the club.

(Danny Clark VK2FDCA)

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/
Police Roundup http://www.vicpolicenews.com.au/

A Queen's Birthday report

The aimed three activations under the Keith Roget Memorial National Parks Award by Tony Hambling VK3VTH over the long weekend took place from the Gunbower, Barmah and the Lower Goulburn National Parks.

He reports a decent 69 contacts logged which included all mainland states and some DX as well. No doubt his portable combination of a K3 transceiver and beam antennas did the trick.

Tony VK3VTH said that the interest is continuing in the Amateur Radio Victoria operating award is growing and a few guys chased him from park to park.

Full details of the Keith Roget Memorial National Parks Award can be found under the Awards section of the website amateurradio.com.au

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

VK4

Welcome to QNews from VK4WIA. I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP, and I've been thinking.

Has the time come for us to get rid of our monthly magazine and our weekly broadcasts as well as our club newsletters?

Is it time to just depend on RSS feeds and Tweets? Has the cyber technology expunged the need for mass produced information?

Some years ago, I can remember people saying that the Internet had replaced the role of amateur radio. Similarly, I can remember that when single sideband was in its infancy, both in land mobile and amateur services that people were forecasting the demise of AM - fondly remembered as ancient modulation. Broadcasting still makes good use of AM as do amateurs who are using newer methods and technology to explore this mode.

One thing that news broadcasts and publications provide is an aggregated view a mass of items presented coherently. With the use of multiple platforms our amateur news services do bring the world to our shacks. This is only true if people are prepared to share their local news and not just horde it on their own web site. In doing this they are ensuring that others have to find it and can not complain that outsiders don't know. This is reversing the idea of the global village.

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think....how about you?

HOME OF THE GOOD GUYS

KORDIA

NZART have had some very excellent news that KORDIA will not be charging NZART for the rental on their sites, for the next 5 years.

Although yet to confirm this in a formal contract, Vaughan Henderson ZL1TGC and Otago Branch 30 are to be heartily congratulated for their by no means small involvement in bringing this about.

EDUCATION YOUTH AND ADVANCEMENT OF AMATEUR RADIO
www.hamcollege.com.au

Ark's Academy conducted a combined standard / advanced course over the last six weeks in the Melbourne Area and would like would like to congratulate

Brian -- For Upgrading from Standard To Advanced
Rodney For Upgrading from Standard to Advanced
Charlie For Upgrading from Foundation to Standard
Miki For Upgrading from Foundation to Standard

Hope your new license levels enable you to enjoy Amateur Radio for a long time to come, well done from all the Team at Ark's Academy

Also thanks to Lino VK3EI , Lionel VK3NM for their efforts during the course and Keith VK3FT for his assistance with the Assessments

(John VK3DQ)

119 NEW AMATEURS GET THEIR CALL SIGNS

The Radio Amateur Examination results were published in South Africa and showed the youngest candidate who wrote the class B exam as 9 years old and the youngest who wrote the class A exam 11 years old.
The oldest person to write is 71 years.
The overall pass rate for class A is 79% and Class B 50%.

JG Woodburne, ZS3JW, with 97% scored the highest marks in the Class A examination and J Flemming, ZU3JW, achieved 97% in the Class B RAE.

The standard agreement with ICASA is that new amateurs may use their call signs immediately and do not have to wait for the paperwork. Letters and certificates are in preparation and will be mailed soon.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART and the WW sources of the WIA.

FCC SEEKS PUBLIC COMMENTS ON CALM ACT

The FCC is asking for public comment on the implementation of the Calm Act, which aims to regulate the volume on TV commercials to that of associated programming.

The Calm Act was enacted by Congress last December 15th. It requires that the FCC adopt regulations for television broadcasters, cable operators and other multi-channel programming distributors on or before this December 15th to limit volume excursions between programming and commercials.

The legislation stems from numerous long term viewer complaints about excessively loud television commercials. In its Notice of Proposed Rule Making or NPRM issued May 27th, the FCC notes that commercial audio levels have been a leading source of criticism reported to the regulatory agency since its Consumer Call Centre began reporting complaints in 2002. The NPRM addresses regulatory enactment, compliance, viewer complaint procedures, enforcement and other matters concerning adoption of the Calm Act.

A GREAT LESSON IN HAM RADIO PUBLIC RELATIONS

One of the best ever public relations spots ever done was aired recently on KCTV channel 5 in Kansas City. It featured only a reporter, two hams and an H-T, but is an excellent example of how an interview should take place.

The interviewees were Hamclass.org instructors, Brian Short, KC0BS and Matt May, KC4WCG. The HT was a Yaesu VX-7R, but it was the comments made by Short and May that made this such an outstanding bit of morning television:

KC0BS: "Actually, there are a lot of ways that
people can get involved in a response,
but all of them require some expertise.
You need to bring something to the party,
so as to speak. There are great
opportunities through the Red Cross, the
Salvation Army and another great example
of that is amateur radio."

If you are a ham involved in publicizing the hobby, or just want to see how to do an interview correctly, then this is must watch television. Its now up on YouTube.com. You can reach it by taking the shortcut link of tinyurl.com/42ntagq

EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: LASER AND FIBER OPTICS SET NET DATA SPEED RECORD

Researchers have set a new record for the rate of data transfer using a single laser. The speed reached is 26 terabits per second.

The trick was to use what is known as a "fast Fourier transform"
to unpick more than 300 separate colours of light in a laser beam.
Each is then encoded with its own string of information.

The technique is described in the journal Nature Photonics. The report says that at those speeds, the entire Library of Congress collections could be sent down an optical fibre in about 10 seconds.

THE HERO HAMS OF THE JOPLIN TORNADO

Some high drama has emerged in the aftermath of the tornado that ripped through Joplin, Missouri, on Sunday night May 22nd. It's a story of true ham radio heroism as supplied to us by Patti Flowers-Palmer, KD0AEL, and Amateur Radio Newsline's Don Carlson, KQ6FM, has the details:

Patti Flowers-Palmer, KD0AEL, tells Amateur Radio Newsline
that it was on Sunday evening, May 22nd while a young

amateur was finishing with post Skywarn Net Control duties that a voice was heard calling for help over the 146.91, W0EBE, repeater. Caleb Burns, KD0BWT, responded to that call. It was coming from the Freeman Hospital in Joplin, Missouri. The news it carried was that a devastating F5 tornado had destroyed much of the community as well as its regional medical facility.

In that exchange, crucial medical supplies were ordered and medical teams were called to duty. Initially, the call was made by an Information Technology person at that location. He was relieved by Thomas Ellicott, N0EKP, who deployed to assist his own stricken community.

As that transmission was taking place, Steve Palmer KA0SPM, and his wife Patti KD0AEL, Andrew Brashers KD0HUN and Jonathan Rinty KD0OSF, all who had been deployed as Skywarn spotters, responded by driving to Cox South Hospital in Springfield, Missouri. Meantime, Tom Hargis WX0SML and Jamas Justice, KD0GUU, both of whom had been deployed with Skywarn, drove to St. John's Regional Medical Centre also located in Springfield. Both of these hospitals are regional Medical Centers for Southwest Missouri.

Upon arriving and finding that the radio rooms near the Incident Command Centers were void of any amateur equipment, operators at both locations began relaying information from doctors and nurses from using their own mobile radio gear. This, to begin the crucial process of moving injured from the overwhelmed Freeman Hospital to several Springfield trauma centres.

With immediate needs met, the hospitals worked with the amateurs to provide locations for the operators to set up mobile radios as base stations so that communications could continue. One was located in an incident command at St. John's and the other in the ambulance bay of Cox South. As this was occurring, KD0BWT grabbed a handy-talkie and headed for Ozarks Community hospital where he established mobile command. A short time later, Pat Conway WA6JGM and Clifton Smith KC0SQU responded by taking a mobile unit to Ozarks and setting up a more permanent station at that location.

The amazing band opening that had allowed the initial communications began to fade and KA0SPM deployed to the National Weather Service in Springfield where he relayed messages via the 145.21 repeater. That machine had survived the tornado that ravaged other parts of the Joplin area.

According to KD0AEL, before the night was over, there was a tremendous outpouring of offers from amateurs over the entire area who offered any assistance they could provide to

keep communications flowing. During the week that followed,
a number of hams continued to call to offer assistance and
they were directed to the coordinators of the CERT search
and rescue efforts.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Don Carlson, KQ6FM,
reporting from Reno, Nevada.

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IRTS NEWS DESK

World Castles Weekend

Now I know there are not many Castles in VK but yes you do have some!

That one on the Sunshine Coast in VK4 comes to mind!

Well The World Castles award will be holding an activation weekend on
Sat 25th - Sun 26th June, for anyone interested in activating a site.

More information can be found at:
http://www.wcagroup.org/ENG/wcw.html

Time: From 00:00 UTC of Saturday till 23:59 UTC of Sunday.
Bands: All HF and VHF amateur bands.

In this part of the world, Central Lancs ARC will be activating Hoghton Tower
on the 26th June 2011. This stately home, located preston, lancashire, has
been the ancestral home of the de hoghton family since william the conqueror.
For more details go to www.cashota.co.uk

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RSGB

5MHz Oceanographic radar

Some may have noticed the ARRL news item on Oceanographic radars on 5MHz, which
concerns a US proposal in the WRC-12 preparatory process for allowing
wave-sensing radars to use 5,250-5,450kHz, amongst other frequencies.

Whilst the Inter-American Telecommunication Commission, CITEL, may adopt this
proposal, our regional telecommunications organisation, CEPT, is moving toward
a European Common Proposal for 5,060-5,160kHz.

Macquarie Island DXpedition DXCC credit approved

ARRL DXCC Manager reports that the current VK0KEV DXpedition to
Macquarie Island has been approved for DXCC credit.

If you have cards that were recently rejected for this operation, send an e-mail
to the ARRL DXCC Desk. Once your record is updated, results will appear in
Logbook of The World accounts or in the live, daily DXCC Standings.

Emergency Services AR DX Group

A new amateur radio group has been formed for radio amateurs who are also members of one of the emergency services.

The group will initially be coordinated via Facebook. It is open to retired or serving members of any of the emergency services and is free to join. Simply search for Emergency Services Amateur Radio DX Group on Facebook and sign up.

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SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2011

June 18/19 WIA Winter VHF-UHF Field Day

June 25 WIA VK/ZL Trans Tasman 160 mtr SSB

July 9 WIA 160m CW & Digital Trans-Tasman contest

Aug 20-21 WW I.L.L.W.

Oct 22 WIA Jack Files Contest

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

SIX Meter Repeater VK3RDD

The Gippsland Gate Radio and Electronics Club are currently overhauling their 6 m repeater VK3RDD located at Cockatoo. Albert VK3BQO and Geoff VK3ZGW have spent considerable time and effort designing a new repeater controller to replace the existing one..

The new controller can be adapted to fit into any new or existing repeater installation regardless of frequency.

This will be a major rebuild of VK3RDD which has been operating for many years of reliable service until recent times.

Upgraded Tx/Rx equipment will also be included.

They expect their repeater to be back in operation in approx. 4 weeks and apologize to regular users for this essential outage.

Please direct any enquiries / comments to secretary@ggrec.org.au

Morse celebrations

Members of the Japan A1 Club will activate the following special callsign until December 31st:

8J1MORSE, 8J1MORSE/2, 8J1MORSE/3 etc,
according to the district from which they are active from. Activity is to celebrate 220th anniversary of Samuel Morse's birthday.

Operations will be mainly CW, with some SSB (to explain the novices how to join the CW community). Some special awards are also available too.

QSL by the Bureau

Logs will be uploaded to LoTW as well.

For more details, the English rules and information are available at:
http://8j1morse.a1tokai.net

Ethiopian Amateur Radio Society gets back on the air

The Ethiopian Amateur Radio Society (EARS) club station,
ET3AA, is once again active and on the air as of May 30th.

According to the IARU Region 1 Web page Professor Doctor
Heiko Schroeder, Head of the Technical Faculty of the University of Addis Ababa
and Hans Blondeel Timmerman, President of IARU Region 1 cut the ribbon" to
reopen the new shack.

The station has a 17 element 6-30 MHz log-periodic antenna.

To read the complete story, go to: http://www.iaru-r1.org

(southgate)

NEW RUSSIAN PREFIX SYSTEM IN USE

If you have been on the HF bands lately, you may have noticed that a number of
new prefixes are in use by stations in the Russian Federation.

The ARRL have issued a summary of the changes recently adopted by the Russian
telecommunication authorities.

Russian prefixes with the numeral 2 are no longer limited to Kaliningradsk.
Stations with RA2 and UA2-UI2 (with F and K as the first letter in the suffix)
are in Kaliningradsk; otherwise, these prefixes will used in European Russia.

Stations in European Russia:
R1, RA1-RZ1 (except RI1 as noted below), R2, RB2-RZ2, R3-R7, RA3-RZ7, UA1
and UA3-UI7. Also, stations with the prefixes R8, R9, RA8-RZ9 and
UA8-UI9 (with F, S, T, W or X as the first letter in the suffix) are in

European Russia.
Except for those listed above, all stations with 8, 9 and 0 as the
numeral are in Asiatic Russia.

Russian Antarctic stations use temporary call signs in the series
RI1ANA-RI1ANZ and RI00ANT to RI99ANT.

Franz Jozef Land stations use temporary call signs RI1F, RI1FJ and
RI1FJA-RI1FJZ.

Malyj Visotskij island stations use temporary call signs RI1M, RI1MV
and RI1MVA-RI1MVZ.

All very complicated, so again we suggest you visit at least wia.org.au
and read the summary in this weeks text edition of wia national news.

MEDIA WATCH
www.cq-amateur-radio.com/WorldRadio.html
VK Club Bulletins http://groups.yahoo.com/group/aarnie/

John VK5NX who conducted last weekends 40 meter broadcast of this news from Adelaide had 32 call-backs!

" Well what a blast, I had Stations call in from
VK 1--1, VK2 -- 4, VK3 -- 8, VK4 -- 1,
VK 5-16, VK6 -- 1, VK7 -- 1,
in all a Total of 32 Stations, I figure that is a reasonable score for
40m relay for Sunday 12th June. Best 73 John VK5NX ...!!!..."

Ham Radio in New York Times Podcast

Amateur Radio features in a technology Podcast produced by the New York Times.

In the Podcast, Walt Baranger talks about Amateur Radio, which he describes as a breeding ground for new engineers.

The Amateur Radio item occurs about a third of the way through the show, listen to it at

http://podcasts.nytimes.com/podcasts/2011/06/01/technology/personaltech/02techtalk_pod/02techtalk.mp3

New York TimesTech Talk
http://www.nytimes.com/ref/technology/techtalk.html

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Let us have a look inside Amateur Radio magazine

The July edition of the WIA journal is jam-packed with interesting articles including coverage of the recent annual convention held in Darwin.

The technical items include a review of the Icom IC-9100 transceiver by Michael Coleman VK3KH and Peter Freeman VK3PF, more of that magnetic loop by Jim Tregellas VK5JST and a six metre conversion of the PRM80 from Matt Bilston VK3VS.

In a fitting tribute the late Neil Penfold VK6NE silent key discusses the ins and outs of QSLing.

A "Gs" visit to VK from the findings of Ian Hollingesbee G3TDT slash VK3BIH makes an interesting read.

The Publications Committee reports that it is low on suitable articles and front cover photographs and invites contributions for both.
Amateur Radio magazine, a WIA membership service and available at selected news agents.

I'm Barry Robinson VK3PV and you are listening to VK1WIA.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP --- MILITARY

Revolutionary military antenna approach unveiled

Eleven years of development have finally paid off for Fractal Antenna Systems, Inc.

The firm announced that it has perfected a new wideband antenna approach based upon its proprietary fractal technology. The new approach, dubbed 'dissimulation (tm) antennas', is designed to solve the problems encountered with real antennas in the warfighter's environment.

The modern warfighter needs wideband antennas. Previous efforts that are now in use, are highly restricted by their size, component complexity, weight, power handling, and heat dissipation, as well as frequency coverage.

One key advantage to the dissimulation(tm) antenna approach is the deceptiveness of their appearance relative to their performance matrix.
"Good luck eyeballing one of these antennas and guessing what they are being used for or how well they work. Most can hardly be recognized as being antennas.

The dissimulation (tm) antenna line is sold to US Gov't, DOD, and NATO nations only.

www.fractenna.com

(southgate)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- Internet Linking of Repeaters

IRLP turns 10 in VK3

VK3's first IRLP node turned 10 years old on the 11 June 2011.
Ten years ago Tony VK3JED and myself David VK3JDA were talking on air about this new system, IRLP that Tony had seen in Sydney.

In about 10 minutes on air we had donations of a PC, Radio and money for the Controller board. Node 630 started is life on VK3RGL 2 meter repeater and now Node 6300 lives on the MDRC's 70cm repeater VK3RMC.

(David VK3JDA)

REWIND

Percy Roberts, Vk6XR, was back in 1961 among a group of Katanning Hams who took part in the 24 hour Remembrance Day Contest.

Now some 50 later Percy's Great Grandson VK6FAME is set to follow in his footsteps!

Davis Burke is VK6FAME, he obtained his license in January this year, at the age of 10 years and one month. (Is he the youngest in VK6? That'd be interesting to find out). He'll be contesting in the RD contest from Perth.

His great grandfather, Percy (Robbie) Roberts, VK6XR, was a 'Rat of Tobruk' in the war in 1941, who held his ham license for approx. 60 years, after being a comms officer in the war. Robbie passed away 6 years ago.

Unfortunately, Robbie never saw either David or David's Dad Miles get their calls.

SOCIAL SCENE

2011

Jul 16 VK3 Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club Hamfest
Cranbourne Community Hall 10am (secretary@ggrec.org.au)

Jul 16 VK4 Maryborough Electronics and Radio Group "Wide Bay Hamfest"
West Scout Hall, Ariadne St, Maryborough 8:30am.
secretary@merg.org.au

Jul 31 VK2/3 Riverina Field Day 10am at Lavington Scout Group Hall.

Aug 7 VK2 Lismore region - SARCFEST

Aug 28 VK2 Blue Mountains amateur radio club's annual WINTERFEST

Sep 11 VK3 SADARC Comms Day at St Augustine's Hall Shepparton 10am.

Sep 16-18 VK4 NQ Amateur Radio Convention Date Set Townsville

Sep 23-28 R3 Region 3 ARDF Championship Bendigo VK3
http://r3.ardf.org.au/

Sep 30-Oct 2 VK4 Central Highlands Amateur Radio Club AGM at Camp Fairbairn
CONTACT Secretary Gordon, (vk4kal@wia.org.au)

Nov 20 vk5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society Hamfest
Goodwood Community Centre, Rosa St Goodwood at 0930.
Visit www.ahars.com.au for contact details

2012

15TH IARU REGION 3 CONFERENCE hosted by V.A.R.C. in Ho-Chi-Minh City, Vietnam.

JAN 23-FEB 17 YEAR 2012
World Radio Conference WRC-11 Geneva 23rd January TO 17th February 2012

FEB 26
CCARC WYONG FIELD DAY

MAY 3-18 2012 VK5
YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

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wia.org.au

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http://lists.wia.org.au/mailman/listinfo/vk1wia-news

576. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2011-014E ARES ID Cards.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-06-16 13:15:33 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4DFA01CB.2070309@rac.ca>
Source record: 4366
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2011-014E ARES ID Cards.
2011-06-16

Good morning,

Many of you have been waiting for your new/updated ARES ID cards for some time now. A couple of days ago, driven by your inquiries and the sense that I had seen no mail from Industrial Plastics, our supplier, I followed up with a phone call. Apparantly the owner, Brian Ewin had fallen ill and had been hospitalized which meant closing the business in his absence.

Brian is back and feeling himself, and this past Monday completed all back logged items and a bunch of cards are enroute to me. I will expidite them upon arrival. Brian sends his sincere apology to you all. Unfounately the manner in which he feel ill made it impossible for him to gives us a heads up. Thanks for your understandng!

73

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577. MMMonVHF Newsletter 2011-06-16

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-06-16 14:55:57 UTC
From: MMMonVHF News Mailer <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <201106161436.p5GEamgI018905@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 4367
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our lastet NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2011-06-16
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter, once a week (thursday)
from now on - if any special activities will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further detail please be so kind and watch our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you vy welcome for any
input and we do hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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** Silent Key: Pierre Pasteur: HB9QQ **

I am very sad to inform you that Pierre, HB9QQ became silent key a few
days ago. Pierre was one of the pioneers on VHF DX in Europe. He was
QRV on Tropo, MS, ES, FAI, Airplainscatter and of course moonbounce.
In the early 80ï¿½s he published an exellent book about 144 DX. His
favorite band was 144 for many decades. In his later years he became
QRV 50 MHz and enjoyed it very much there too. He was QRV through-out
the years on 144 and 50 MHz EME.Pierre was a gentleman and a great
friend. He teachd so many of us how to DX on 144. His perfect CW-
keying and his voice making QSOs in several European languages will
never be forgotten. He was a great operator and at the same time a
passionate mechanic.I knew Pierre since 1979, when I got my VHF
license. In his late years we became friends and spent many hours
talking about EME. Pierre did activate 8Q7 many times on HF and on
50 MHz (teresstrial only). He asked me about joyining forces to
activate 8Q7 on 50 MHz EME. I imediately ï¿½caught fireï¿½ and added 144,
432 and 1296 to the effort. We prepared togeather the DXpedition for
a little more than one year. Pierre did a phantastic job putting
togeather all equipment we needed. In early 2010 we set-up the
station in a snow-storm at below 10ï¿½C dreaming to do it again at 30ï¿½C
in the white snow in 8Q7. He was somuch looking forward to it. It was
a great experience for all of us to put 8Q7QQ on the moon on 50, 144,
432 and 1296! Pierre said several times to me, ï¿½that will be my
biggest and last DXpeditionï¿½... Yes Pierre, you were right! Many thanks
for all you did for the VHF-community and your friends all over the
world! I and we all will keep your memories in our hearts! Rest in
peace! Dan, HB9CRQ for the 8Q7QQ-team and the HB9Q-team

The Team of MMMonVHF will pass our deep sympathy and condolences
to Pierres family. Rest in peace, Pierre! SOURCE: The MMMonVHF Team

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** Silent Key: Cor Maas: VE7BBG **

Hello to all What a sad loss. I used to work Cor back in the 80s and
we often worked cross band EME from 432 to 1296. He came up with the
original W2IMU 1296 feed in the center of the 432 dual dipole array
and suggested early on to place the groundplane of the 432 feed about
a quarter wave (at 1296) behind the mouth of the W2IMU for 1296 which
significantly improved operation on 1296. I copied Cor's original dual
band feed years ago and it worked well for nearly 20 years. This is
the same feed that VK3UM wrote up several years ago in Dubus. Cor
deserves the original credit for this one. May he rest in piece. 73
SOURCE: Al Ward W5LUA via MoonNet
The Team of MMMonVHF will pass our deep sympathy and condolences
to his family. Rest in peace, Cor! SOURCE: The MMMonVHF Team

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: CU ; Square: HM77 ; Start: 2011-06-29 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3784

A DL Team (DM1AC, DM1CG, DL9MS) will be active holiday style from
CU2 (HM77ct) on HF and 6m ES and as well 2m EME/TEP
LATEST NEWS from Joachim, DL9MS, dated 2011-06-15:
The Call of the expedition "CR2EME" is now confirmed. QSL will be
via DL9MS! SOURCE: tnx to Dith, DF7KF, Carsten, DM1CG, and
Joachim, DL9MS, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: /mm ; Square: JP91 ; Start: 2011-06-.. **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3875

Most Wanted JP91 maybe on air on (50 &) 144 MHz MS
lub station OH6Y (ops. OH6JW and OH6FMG) has plans to
activate JP91 in WSJT-mode. LATEST NEWS from Aulis, dated 2011-06-16:
We (OH6Y-team) must postpone our pedition, because the sail boat
goes to drydock . The problem is bigger than the owner thought, there
will be about 20 000 euro repairs. This makes me worring if the costs
for us will rise up?? Next try for the pedition is possible at the
earliest: week 26 just after the Midsummer festival. During week 26
the problem is: not so good showers as they are weeks 23-24...
SOURCE: Aulis OH6JW and Timo OH6FMG direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: EA ; Square: JN12 ; Start: 2011-06-25 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3877

EA3LA/p qrv from JN12IK end of june 2011 - During the Grande Blue 2011, on 25/26 june I will be on jn12ik at 1440 mtrs. with 144, 1296 and 10 Ghz . QRV on 144.390 for skeds or via e-mail ea3la"at"yahoo"dot"com open in all directions.the skeds are very apreciated.... SOURCE: tnx to Ramon, EA3LA, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: EW ; Square: KO32-KO42 ; Start: 2011-08-08 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3878

Today Alexander, RA3MR, confirmed his pedition to EW in August during perseids 2011. His planned call is EW/RM2M. Please inform my old call sign RA3MR for QSL information. QSL for all HAMs! I hope to stay in KO32 and KO42 during 2-3 days in each square for work at 144 Ms, or try for 432 Ms if it to possible!
SOURCE: tnx to Alex, RA3MR, direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
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and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** UA2 qrv from JO94XV on 3 cm and 6 cm **

We will activate JO94XV and Kaliningrad on 6 cm/3 cm from 28 June to 03 July, 2011. Will also operate on 23 cm and a bit on 2 m. Going to start in microwave NAC in Tuesday 28th, evening. Would try tropo, rs and acs SHF as well as tropo 23 cm during the weekdays. Intend to work in Field Day (2-3 July) together with UA2F team. More details are at: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3876
SOURCE: tnx to UA3ATS, direct to MMMonVHF

** GJ6YB/p qrv from Jersey in mid June **

The Bristol Contest Group will be active from Jersey, EU-013 as GJ6YB/P from June 17th until June 19th and will take part in the IARU 50MHz Contest while on the island. http://gj6yb.org
SOURCE: Matt M0MAT via The UK Six Metre Group Announcement

** Liechtenstein, HB0, qrv HF, 6 and 2 Meter **

Operators Matthias/DL4ML, Jochen/DG1SFJ, Guenther/DJ8KI and Manfred DL4MP will be active as HB0/homecall from Liechtenstein between June 18-21st. Activity will be on all HF bands including 30/17/12m, and also on 6 and 2 meters during Sporadic E propagation. Their location is near Steg at 1400m ASL (Grid Loc. JN47tc). QSL via their

home callsigns, by the Bureau or direct using the QRZ.com address.
SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1014

** GM0BUX/p from North Uist (EU-010) qrv HF and 2m **

Bob, G0BUX will be active as GM0BUX/p from North Uist (EU-010) on 12-17 June. He will operate SSB, CW and PSK31 on the HF bands, but will also participate in the Practical Wireless 144 MHz QRP Contest on 12 June (www.pwcontest.org.uk). QSL via G0BUX.
SOURCE: 425 DX News #1049 / rsgbiota.org

** 7Q7MH during July 2011. **

Explorer Scouts on the Scottish Scout New Horizons Expedition will carry out practical development work at the Malawi National Scout Campsite near Zomba, where Malcolm GM3TAL will operate 7Q7MH during July 2011. Although not a dxpedition as such, look for activity on the upper HF bands (and possibly 50MHz), with SSB and CW. This will be a month long field day under canvas no towers or comfy resort style shacks and no Internet! More details can be found here soon.
SOURCE: GOLIST DX News

** CHANNEL ISLANDS qrv soon by EA1SA **

MJ/EA1AP and MJ/EA1SA from Jersey (EU-013) on 12-17 June,and as MU/EA1AP and MU/EA1SA from Guernsey (EU-114) on 17-21 June. They will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 80-6 metres, and will participate in the IARU 50 MHz Contest from Guernsey. QSL via home calls. The website for the operation is at: http://www.gdgdxc.net/channel_islands/ SOURCE: 425 DX News #1049

** PY0F qrv on HF and 50 MHz **

Marcelo, PY2FN will be active as PY0FO from Fernando de Noronha (SA-003) on 2-9 July. He will operate CW only on 160-6 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, and LoTW. He has a website at www.py0fo.com.br - SOURCE: TNX QRZ DX via SOURCE: 425 DX News #1049

** Guinea, 3XY, qrv HF and 50 MHz **

Operators Georg/DK7LX, Wolf/DL4WK, Sigi/DL7DF, Frank/DL7UFR, Jan/SP3CYY and Leszek/SP3DOI will be active as 3XY1D from Guinea between October 18th and November 1st. Activity will be on 160-6 m. using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. They plan to have several stations on the air using 5 transceivers (4 x K2, 1 x IC7000),

4 x kW linears, 2 x 18m Lowband Verticals, a 2 element vertical for 40m, a 2 elemet vertical for 30m, a vertical R7 for 40/30/20/17/15/12/10m, 2 Spiderbeams for 20/17/ 15/12/10m, a 5 ele. Yagi for 6m and some Beverage antennas. One station will be exclusively dedicated to RTTY, PSK31 and SSTV. QSL via DL7DF, direct or by the Bureau. For more details and updates, visit: http://www.dl7df.com/3xy1d/index.html
SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1014

** St.Helana, ZD7, qrv HF and 50 MHz **

Nigel, G3TXF, will be active as ZD7XF from St. Helena between June 22-30th. Activity will be from the QTH of Barrie, ZD7MY, which is at 1200 ft. ASL and has an excellent take-off to the north. Operations will be mainly on the HF bands using CW. Nigel plans to take antennas for 160/80m as well as for 6m. QSL via his home callsign. Nigel mentions that there will not be any Internet access in the shack (nor is there any mobile phone service on the island). However, logs will be uploaded to both LoTW and ClubLog whenever practical. For more details on Nigel's ZD7XF operation, visit his Web page at: http://www.g3txf.com/dxtrip/ZD7XF/ZD7.html
SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1014

** F/M5AEF IN98op qrv HF and 50 MHz **

Robin M5AEF, writes; F/M5AEF IN98op Robin will again be perating QRP from Normandy (dept 50) 14-19th June. This operation co-incides nicely with the IARU region 1 contest! QRV daily on 50 MHz USB/CW above 50.200. Also JT6M and WSPR modes are available. QSL is via buro and LOTW. SOURCE: CQ Six - 50 MHz DX News #20110614

** Nauru (OC-031 / WWLoc RI39) back on the air end of the Year **

NJ7N, NL8F, VK4AN, VK4FW and two more operators will be active as C21AA from Nauru (OC-031) from 10 November to 6 December. They will operate SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK31 on 160-6 metres, with three complete stations on the HF bands as well as a dedicated 6m station. QSL via VK4FW - direct, bureau or through OQRS (instructions at www.vk4fw.com/oqrs.php). The website for the expedition can be found at http://c21.pacific-dxers.com/C21AA.html SOURCE: 425 DX News #1049

** Special event station GB0BON qrv HF to 70 cm **

GB0BON will be activated by the Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society on 19th June 2011 for the 366th anniversary of the Battle of Naseby, the decisive battle of the English civil war. The battle took place

on the 14th June 1645 in the small hamlet of Naseby just south of the town of Market Harborough in Leicestershire. The station will be located on a high point that overlooks the battlefield. This is the same location that Prince Rupert chose as his base to direct the battle from as it gave him a clear viev of the surrounding area. They will operate on all bands from 3.5Mhz to 70cm and try to be on air for as long as the petrol in the generator lasts. QSL's are 100% via eQSL and we will reply to any cards sent direct via G4XEX or via the RSGB bureau. For direct please send IRC's or 2 US$ and a sae. (UK SAE). SOURCE: [G4XEX] via ICPO Bulletin (10-17 June 2011)

** Possible K7BV ID-UT-MT Grid Trip **

Having returned ashore from a challenging but reasonably successful CM93 boat trip with Barry KS7DX that gave us the honor of working 16 of the 22 Leader Board stations needing this grid, I find myself wondering "Now what?" I am considering a trip up to the Glacier-Waterton International Hamfest July 15-17. My primary grid focus would be to the much needed DN58 for a couple days. I would expect to have my usual 3el and KW - 6m only. Other stops should be possible so I am asking for suggestions. The obvious route is up from So.Cal through Las Vegas, Salt Lake, and on up into Idaho and Montana to DN58 and then over to Glacier Hamfest in DN38 Is this date too late in the year for burning the gas to try and activate some of the rare grids along and near the drive route? Comments to k7bv at aol.com, please. Thanks! 73 SOURCE: Dennis K7BV via WSJT Reflector

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** Benin, TY **

The rumour says, there will be an operation from Benin on 6 meter, during a week in mid August...
SOURCE: CQ Six - 50 MHz DX News #20110614

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** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/kontact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

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578. The ARRL Letter for June 16, 2011

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==> +: THE 2011 ARRL NATIONAL CONVENTION VENTURES DEEP IN THE HEART OF
TEXAS

The ARRL National Convention -- held in conjunction with Ham-Com in
Plano, Texas June 10-11 -- featured the ARRL EXPO, a large exhibition
area within the main exhibit hall. The ARRL EXPO featured a project
building activity and the ARRL Youth Lounge, while booths highlighting
various ARRL departments and programs such as Education & Technology,
Emergency Communications, Radiosport, ARRL VEC, ARRL Equipment and Club
Liability Insurance Programs, Regulatory and Legislative Programs, ARRL
Development and the ARRL Foundation were on hand. The exhibit area was
anchored on one side by a huge ARRL store where attendees could browse
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and buy the latest ARRL publications, join or renew their League membership. ARRL EXPO was supported by a team of 73 ARRL volunteers, officials and staff. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/the-arrl-national-convention-ventures-deep-in-the-heart-of-texas>.

==> + 2011 DAYTON HAMVENTION: CHECK OUT THE NEW PRODUCTS THAT DEBUTED AT DAYTON

One of the most exciting things at the Dayton Hamvention each year is the introduction of new products. This year was no exception. From HF transceivers to receivers to test equipment to station equipment, there was a plethora of new products just about everywhere you turned. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/new-products-at-dayton-2011>.

==> + NEW ONLINE INTRODUCTORY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS CLASS NOW AVAILABLE

Registration is now open for the new online Introduction to Emergency Communications course (EC-001). Course information, including a description, pre-requisites and instructions on how to register are available on the ARRL website. Slots are still available for the section which begins Friday, July 29; the registration deadline is Sunday, July 17. ARRL Education Services Manager Debra Johnson, K1DMJ, explained that she is also looking for qualified volunteers to provide support as Mentors for the course, as well as Field Instructors who want to lead classroom sessions to instruct the course material.

The new Introduction to Emergency Communications course includes updated content from the previous Basic Emergency Communications Level 1 course, as well as some content previously included in the former Level 2 course. The EmComm training program has been restructured to offer two courses: This enhanced basic course for EmComm volunteers who want to serve as part of an ARES® response team and the management course -- Public Service and Emergency Communication Management for Radio Amateurs (EC-016) -- for those who are serving in ARES® leadership and management roles. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/new-online-introductory-emergency-communications-course-now-available>.

==> + ARRL FIELD DAY: IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO PREPARE FOR FIELD DAY

Now is the time to start getting information out to the public about your ARRL Field Day <http://www.arrl.org/fieldday> activities. ARRL Field Day -- the largest on-the-air operating event -- is the one of the best opportunities of the year for showing our Amateur Radio capabilities to the public. ARRL Media and Public Information Manager Allen Pitts, W1AGP, notes that the ARRL has made many media materials available for local use. "Our visibility to the public is important in antenna, band preservation and texting issues, so we encourage you to use this opportunity to showcase what Amateur Radio can do," he said. Download an audio PSA that can air on your local radio stations here

<http://www.arrl.org/public-service-announcements>. Get a press release, a government proclamation template and invitation letters that you can use to invite your local officials to your Field Day site here <http://www.arrl.org/files/file/Field-Day/2011/2011_FD_PR_info.pdf>. Find high-definition video files suitable for airing on your local television stations here <http://p1k.arrl.org/pub/pr/>. Get more information on ARRL Field Day, including the 2011 ARRL Field Day logo and operating tips here. More info, the logo and tips are here <http://www.arrl.org/current-contact-issue>. Find a Field Day station near you here <http://www.arrl.org/field-day-locator>. ARRL Field Day is June 25-26.

==> + EMCOMM NEWS: ARRL'S EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MOVES FORWARD WITH MDEC PLANS

At the 2007 Annual Meeting of the ARRL Board of Directors, the ARRL National Emergency Response Planning Committee -- led by then-ARRL First Vice President Kay Craigie, N3KN -- presented a report to the Board that outlined how the League should respond to emergencies. One of the key concepts proposed by the committee was the Major Disaster Emergency Coordinator (MDEC) appointment. The idea was to have a manager who would coordinate Amateur Radio operations, operators and resources in supporting served agencies during a major disaster relief operation when Section and Regional ARES® assets are overwhelmed, similar to operations performed in the Hurricane Katrina response. The MDEC's line of authority would be derived from the ARRL's Emergency Preparedness Manager -- currently Mike Corey, W5MPC -- and would parallel the affected area's Section Managers. The MDEC position was envisioned to be a continuous appointment, but would only be active when called upon by the Emergency Preparedness Manager.

The ARRL Emergency Communications Advisory Committee (ECAC) -- established at the 2010 Annual Meeting -- is currently drafting appointment protocols and requirements for the MDEC. As presently conceived by the committee, there will be several MDECs geographically arranged by each ARRL Division. The geography, and hence the actual MDEC headcount, is being determined at this time. The committee will report its recommendations and draft appointment guidelines to the ARRL's Programs and Services Committee. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-s-emergency-communications-advisory-committee-moves-forward-with-mdec-plans>.

==> + ARRL HQ NEWS: LONGTIME HQ STAFFER JON BLOOM, KE3Z, LEAVES ARRL

May 31 marked the last day at ARRL HQ for ARRL Information Technology Manager Jon Bloom, KE3Z. Bloom -- an ARRL Life Member who had been with the League for 27 years -- resigned from the League to pursue other opportunities. Michael Keane, K1MK -- hired in 2009 as a programmer in the IT Department -- has been selected as the new Information Technology Manager. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/longtime-hq-staffer-jon-bloom-ke3z-leaves-arrl>.

==> SUPPORT ARRL: ARRL AND COMBINED FEDERAL CAMPAIGN MARK DECADE OF PARTNERSHIP

For the past 10 years, the US Office of Personnel Management has designated the ARRL to participate in the Combined Federal Campaign (CFC <http://www.opm.gov/cfc/>). In that time, this campaign for federal government civilian employees, US Postal Service workers and members of the military has generated more than $170,000 for ARRL programs since it first became an option for giving by federal employees to the League. The CFC provides an easy way to support ARRL's effort to represent its members and all radio amateurs.

Similar to the United Way, the CFC encourages individuals to pledge by payroll deduction to non-profit organizations of their choice. The ARRL encourages eligible radio amateurs to consider the League when designating campaign recipients. Payroll deduction through the CFC is an easy way for participants to support ARRL over and above their annual membership. Such contributions support programs that are not funded by member dues, enriching ARRL's ability to serve its members and all of Amateur Radio. Those wishing to select the ARRL to receive all or part of their payroll deductions should designate organization 10099 when completing their CFC donor forms. Donations to ARRL can be designated for Diamond Club contributions, the ARRL Spectrum Defense Fund or the ARRL Education & Technology Program. Donors may also make unrestricted contributions to the League.

One important note: Since the CFC does not provide the ARRL with the names of individual donors, the ARRL Development Office would appreciate a copy of the donor form to ensure that each contribution is applied according to the donor's wishes and the contribution or pledge can be properly acknowledged.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "The damp of the river fog rises after the Sun goes down <http://poetry.eserver.org/paul-revere.html>" Cook, K7RA, reports: The average daily sunspot numbers for the past week declined by more than half, nearly 52 points to 35.1, when compared to the previous week. The average daily solar flux declined nearly 12 points to 90.1. NOAA and the USAF predict rising solar flux for the near term, with solar flux at 105 on June 16-20 to 110 on June 21-22, and then dipping below 100 after June 28. Predicted solar flux for ARRL Field Day weekend is 105 on June 24-26. The predicted planetary A index for June 16-25 is 5, 7, 8, 5, 8, 8, 5, 12, 15 and 10, followed by 5 on each day through the end of June. It seems that a recurring coronal hole may disturb our Earth's geomagnetic field, with the maximum effect on June 24 -- the day before Field Day -- but geomagnetic conditions should be very quiet by Sunday, June 26. Our inbox is exploding this week with all the e-mail concerning the meeting of the Solar Physics Division of the American Astronomical Society at New Mexico State University in Las Cruces, and the report from the meeting about predictions for a major drop in solar activity, which you can read here <http://www.boulder.swri.edu/%7Edeforest/SPD-sunspot-release/>. But

support for this position isn't unanimous, and in tomorrow's bulletin we'll look at a report by astrophysicist Douglas Biesecker that is skeptical of this prediction. Look for more information on the ARRL website on Friday, June 17. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow's Paul Revere's Ride <http://poetry.eserver.org/paul-revere.html>, in celebration of Battle of Bunker Hill <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Battle_of_Bunker_Hill> (June 17, 1775).

==> + LOGBOOK OF THE WORLD NOW ON FACEBOOK!

Last week, the ARRL added a Logbook of The World page <http://www.facebook.com/LogbookOfTheWorld> to social networking site Facebook. With almost 300 fans, the page is growing every day. The LoTW page on Facebook offers the latest LoTW news, as well as comments from users. Have you checked out the ARRL Facebook page <http://www.facebook.com/ARRL.org> lately? With almost 18,000 fans, it's the most popular Amateur Radio page on Facebook!

==> NEW QUICKSTATS POLL NOW AVAILABLE ON ARRL WEBSITE

Four new poll questions have just been published on the QuickStats page <http://www.arrl.org/quickstats> on the ARRL website. Let your voice be heard!

Questions in this month's QuickStats poll:

- Do you own a D-STAR or APCO-25 transceiver?
- When it comes to QSL cards, do you buy from a printer or make your own?
- Have you ever built a kit that included Surface Mount Devices (SMDs)?
- When was the last time you used Amateur Radio to assist a non-emergency public service event (such as a footrace or parade)?

Visit the QuickStats page <http://www.arrl.org/quickstats> and be sure to bookmark it in your browser. Results from this QuickStats poll will be published in the September 2011 issue of QST on the QuickStats page, located in the rear advertising section of the magazine. Along with monthly poll results, QST QuickStats offers colorful charts and graphs that highlight interesting Amateur Radio statistics.

==> THIS WEEK ON THE RADIO

This week:

- June 17 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- June 18 -- Feld Hell Sprint; AGCW VHF/UHF Contest
- June 18-19 -- West Virginia QSO Party; Stew Perry Topband Challenge; All Asian DX Contest (CW); SMIRK Contest
- June 19 -- WAB 50 MHz Phone Contest
- June 20 -- Run for the Bacon QRP Contest

- June 22 -- SKCC Sprint; NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint
- June 22-23 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

Next week:

- June 24 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- June 25 -- VK/Trans-Tasman 160 Meter Contest (Phone)
- June 25-26 -- ARRL Field Day <http://www.arrl.org/fieldday>;
Ukrainian DX DIGI Contest; His Majesty King of Spain Contest (SSB);
Marconi Memorial HF Contest; ARCI Milliwatt Field Day

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest
Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update
<http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest
Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more
information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out
the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page
<http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- July 2 -- ARRL Eastern Pennsylvania Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/eastern-pennsylvania-section-convention-firecra
cker-hamfest-1>,
Marysville, Pennsylvania
- July 15-17 -- ARRL Montana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/montana-state-convention-glacier-waterton-inter
national-hamfest>,
Essex, Montana
- July 29-30 -- ARRL Oklahoma State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/oklahoma-state-convention-ham-holiday-2011>,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
- August 5 -- ARRL Midwest Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/midwest-division-convention>, Cedar
Rapids, Iowa
- August 5-6 -- ARRL Texas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/texas-state-convention-austin-summerfest-1>,
Austin, Texas
- August 5-7 -- ARRL Rocky Mountain Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/rocky-mountain-division-convention-1>,
Taos, New Mexico
- August 20 -- ARRL West Virginia State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-virginia-state-convention-1>,
Weston, West Virginia
- August 20-21 -- ARRL Alabama State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/alabama-state-convention-huntsville-hamfest>,
Huntsville, Alabama
- August 21 -- ARRL Kansas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/kansas-state-convention-1>, Salina,
Kansas
- August 28 -- ARRL Western Pennsylvania Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/western-pennsylvania-section-convention-1>,

West Kensington, Pennsylvania
- September 9 -- ARRL Southwestern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southwestern-division-convention-hamcon-2011>,
Torrance, California
- September 11 -- ARRL Great Lakes Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/great-lakes-division-convention-findlay-hamfest
>,
Findlay, Ohio
- September 17 -- ARRL Roanoke Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/roanoke-division-convention-virginia-beach-hamf
est>,
Virginia Beach, Virginia
- September 24 -- ARRL Washington State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/washington-state-convention-35th-annual-spokane
-hamfest>,
Spokane Valley, Washington

To find a convention or hamfest near you, click here
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579. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1766 - June 17 2011

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Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1766 - June 17 2011

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1766 with a release date of
Friday, June 17, 2011 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Scientists say that we may be headed to a
prolonged low in solar activity, hams in Norway provide flood relief
communications, the first ever national E-A-S test to be held in
November, a New Orleans C-B operator faces a $15,000 fine and the FCC
gets a Harvard scholar. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio
Newsline(tm) report number 1766 coming your way right now.

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PROPAGATION: SCIENTISTS SAY SOLAR CYCLE HEADED INTO LIMBO

For years, astronomers and space scientists have been predicting the
Sun would move into solar maximum by around 2012. During this period
there would be many intense flares and lots of sunspot activity. Now
they are thinking that the opposite may be happening and Amateur Radio
Newsline's Michael Grebert, KJ4ZZV, has the details:

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According to three studies released in the United States on Tuesday,
June 14th, experts believe the familiar sunspot cycle may be shutting
down and heading toward a pattern of inactivity unseen since the 17th
century.

According to experts from the National Solar Observatory and Air Force
Research Laboratory, the signs of this include a missing jet stream,
quickly fading spots, and slower activity near the poles.

Frank Hill is the Associate Director of the National Solar Observatory
's Solar Synoptic Network. At a meeting of the American Astronomical
Society's Solar Physics Division in Las Cruces, New Mexico Hill said
that the fact that three completely different views of the Sun point in
the same direction is a powerful indicator that the sunspot cycle may
be going into hibernation.

As every ham knows, solar activity tends to rise and fall in 11 year
cycles. The solar maximum and solar minimum each mark about half the
interval of the magnetic pole reversal on the Sun, which happens every
22 years.

According to Hill, the current cycle, number 24, may be the last normal one for some time but the next one, cycle 25, may not happen for some time. He adds that this is important because the solar cycle causes space weather which affects modern technology and may contribute to climate change.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Michael Grebert, KJ4ZZV, reporting from Music City, Nashville, Tennessee.

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Experts are now probing whether this period of inactivity could be a second Maunder Minimum. This was a 70-year period from 1645 to 1715 when hardly any sunspots were observed. For ham radio such a prolonged solar minimum would mean very little in the way of High Frequency DX for a very long time. The complete article titled Scientists Predict Rare Hibernation of Sunspots can be found using the shortcut of tinyurl.com/slowsun (Space.com, Yahoo News, others)

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RESCUE RADIO: NORWEGIAN HAMS PROVIDE FLOOD COMMUNICATIONS

Norway's national amateur radio society, the NRRL, reports that radio amateurs have been providing communications assistance following recent flooding in that nation.

The NRRL says that as a result of the flooding and landslides in Oppland and Hedmark, the telecoms company Telenor has had substantial problems with its mobile phone network. Because of the outages the Main Rescue Coordination Centre for Southern Norway has requested assistance from NRRL.

Communications were set up between southern Norway and Lillehammer. Repeaters around Oslo have also been used. More about the situation in Google translated English is on the web at tinyurl.com/NorwayNRRL. (Southgate)

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RESCUE RADIO: GAREC 2011 REGISTRATION CLOSES JUNE 19th

The organizers of the International Amateur Radio Union Region 1 General Conference have announced that registrations for the 2011 Global Amateur Radio Emergency Conference in Sun City, South Africa must close on June 19th. This, if accommodations are to be guaranteed.

Planners say that payment for accommodations and conference fees must arrive to them no later than June 30th. They ask that those registering to attend to please ensure that your callsign, association and name are in the payment documents sent by your bank.

More information about the event and registration documents are available at tinyurl.com/garec2011. Information from earlier conferences is available at www (dot) iaru (dot) org/emergency. (GAREC)

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RESCUE RADIO: FIRST EVER NATIONWIDE TEST OF THE EMERGENCY ALERT SYSTEM WILL OCCUR ON NOVEMBER 9, 2011 AT 2 PM EST

Back in the United States, the FCC has set November 9th at 2 PM Eastern Standard Time that the first nationwide test of the Emergency Activation or EAS System. The purpose of the test is to assess the reliability and effectiveness of the EAS as a mechanism to alert the public of emergencies.

Although EAS Participants currently take part in state-level monthly tests and local-level weekly tests, there has never been a nationwide test of the system. The Commission, along with the Federal Emergency Management Agency, will use the results of this test to assess what works within the EAS and what does not. Then working together with EAS stakeholders the two agencies say that they will make improvements to the system as appropriate. (FCC)

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RADIO HEALTH FOLLOW-UP: CTIA SAYS WHO CELLPHONE CANCER STUDY FLAWED

The Cellular Telecommunications and Internet Association, better known as the CTIA has ripped into a recent United Nations' report that claims cellphones can cause cancer.

As reported here on Amateur Radio Newsline two weeks ago, a United Nations agency known as the World Health Organization issued a report stating that radiation from cellular telephones can possibly cause cancer. It said that based on the U.N.'s International Agency for Research on Cancer working group, and in reviewing peer-reviewed studies, that it found some evidence of an increase in Glioma and acoustic Neuroma brain cancers among mobile phone users. As such, the agency now lists mobile phone as a carcinogenic hazard.

Now the CTIA has issued a broad based rebuttal that begins by quoting previous studies by the Federal Communications Commission that concluded there is no scientific evidence that proves that wireless phone usage can lead to any form of cancer. The cellular lobby group also quoted the Food and Drug Administration as stating that the weight of scientific evidence has not linked cellular phones with any health problems.

In its rebuttal barrage, the Cellular Telecommunications and Internet Association also pointed out that the World Health Organization made no effort to conduct its own scientific study of cellular telephone use. Instead, it only reviewed previous studies made by other investigators over the years in reaching its conclusion.

Before its announcement on Tuesday, May 31st the World Health Organization had assured consumers that no adverse health effects from cellular telephones had been established. Now the WHO and the CTIA are on opposite sides of a public relations battle over the still unknown

effects of cellular telephone radiation effects on the human body. A battle that is bound to intensify in coming years. (Published news reports)

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>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the WA6HAM repeater serving Contra Costa, California.

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ENFORCEMENT: NEW ORLEANS CB'ER ISSUSED $15,000 NOTICE OF APPARENT LIABILITY FOR OVER POWER OPERATION

The FCC has issued a $15,000 Notice of Apparent Liability to Monetary Forfeiture against John Hays of New Orleans. This for operating an over power Class D Citizens Radio transmitter that the regulatory agency says constitutes operating a radio transmitter without the requisite Commission authorization. We have more in this report:

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The case dates way back to November 29th 2007. In response to a complaint of interference, the Enforcement Bureau's New Orleans Office warned Mr. Hays in writing of the penalties associated with operating his CB radio with excessive power.

On December 3, 2007, Hays responded to the New Orleans Office by telephone. At that time he is said to have admitted to overpower operation, and was again warned orally to cease any operation of his CB station that violated the Rules.

Fast forward to June 3, 2010. In response to another complaint of interference, agents from the New Orleans Office traced the source of the interference to a signal on CB channel 20 emanating from Mr. Hays's residence. The same day, the agents inspected the CB station and observed a linear amplifier attached to Mr. Hays' CB transmitter. The agents, using a wattmeter, measured the output power of the CB station with the in-line linear amplifier at 750 watts. The agents then orally warned Mr. Hays that the use of linear amplifiers or any device that results in power levels greater than the authorized limit of 4 watts is prohibited and voids the authority to operate the CB station. Mr. Hays admitted to the agents that he operated his CB station overpower, and, at the conclusion of the inspection, Mr. Hays voluntarily destroyed his linear amplifier.

You would think that it would have ended there, but it didn't. This past February 10th, in response to another complaint of interference, agents from the New Orleans Office used direction-finding techniques to

again identify a signal on CB channel 20 as once again coming from Hays' residence. The same day, the agents inspected Hays CB station and observed a linear amplifier attached to Mr. Hays's CB transmitter. This time the agents measured the output power of the CB station with the in-line linear amplifier at 75 watts. And once again, Hays admitted to the agents that he was operating his CB overpower.

Now, the FCC has taken a strong punitive measure to see to it that Hays does not again violate its rules governing Part 95 Class D Citizens Radio operation. This by issuing him the a $15,000 Notice of Apparent Liability to Monetary Forfeiture for apparently and willfully violating section 301 of the Communications Act and sections 95.410 and 95.411 of the FCC's Citizens Radio Service rules. Specifically his use of an amplifier that raised the output of his transmitter to way above the 4 watts as permitted under the Part 95 Citizens Radio Service rules.

In Scottsdale, Arizona, I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP, reporting for the Amateur Radio Newsline.

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Hays was given the customary 30 days to pay the forfeiture or to file an appeal. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT UPDATE: FLORIDA UNLICENSED BROADCASTER FINED $20000

An update on an unlicensed radio case that we first reported here on Newsline. This with word from the FCC that a $20,000 Notice of Apparent Liability issued to Marckenson Bazile for operating an unlicensed station in Miami has progressed to a forfeiture order.

The FCC originally issued the Forfeiture Order against Brazile for operating an unlicensed station on 103.9 MHz from his home. In affirming the fine, the regulatory agency said that Bazile had not responded to its correspondence on the matter. Therefore, based on the evidence it had before it, that it had affirmed the $20,000 fine and issued a forfeiture order.

Bazile was given 30 days to pay or the FCC can turn the case over to the Justice Department for collection. (FCC)

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RADIO LAW: FCC REESTABLISHES TECHNICAL ADVISORY COUNCIL BUT HAM RADIO NOT INCLUDED

The FCC has reestablished its Technology Advisory Council for a two-year period. The council, made up of various tech experts, will help give the commission expertise it needs to identify areas of innovation and develop policies to keep America competitive.

The initial assignment for the group is to focus on the broadband rollout. Specifically how broadband communications can help deliver and contain costs for healthcare, energy and environmental conservation. Other assignments may include the evolution of broadband networks and devices and their implications, spectrum management and how to promote innovation and investment.

The council chairman is Tom Wheeler, managing director, Core Capital Partners and a former Chief Executive Officer of the Cellular Telecommunications and Internet Association. Representatives from several organizations like Google, MIT, Intel, Microsoft, Harris Broadcast are on the council. Also serving are representatives of trade associations such as the Consumer Electronics Association and the National Association of Broadcasters.

To our knowledge no individual or group directly representing the interests of amateur radio has been invited to serve on the panel. This, even though the recommendations it makes could eventually impact on the spectrum utilized by radio amateurs.

The group's next meeting is slated for June 29th. (RW)

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: GPS VS LIGHTSQUARED - CHAPTER 2

The war of words between LightSquared Corportation over its proposed high power national 4 G network and those who use the Global Positioning System has escalated. This as the lobbying group known as the Coalition to Save Our GPS says that recent tests in New Mexico prove conclusively the operation of LightSquared system proved detrimental to G-P-S.

James Kirkland is Vice President of Trimble Navigation and a founding member of the coalition. He says that test data discussed several days ago makes clear that there is substantial interference to GPS if LightSquared turns on high-powered terrestrial facilities in the spectrum next door to GPS.

During a meeting sponsored by the federal government's GPS Advisory Board, Kirkland, along with government representatives and LightSquared representatives discussed the results of two separate tests conducted to measure interference to GPS receivers used in aviation and other government applications. Kirkland said the testing data confirms what the industry told the FCC and also confirms that there is no viable technical fix.

Kirkland contended that in at least one test LightSquared didn't deliver test equipment that matches its proposed operations, thus causing optimistic results. However, even those optimistic results showed interference.

Kirkland is quoted as saying that the FCC should stop trying to find a solution to an unfixable problem. Instead it should focus its efforts

on finding spectrum that LightSquared can operate in where its broadband system won't interfere with GPS.

LightSquared plans a satellite- and terrestrial-based 4G network to provide terrestrial- and satellite-based voice and data service on a wholesale basis to retailers, cable operators, and other companies that want to offer service under their own brand.

The Coalition to Save GPS is made up of companies in the aviation, agriculture, transportation, construction, engineering, and surveying industries as well as suppliers of GPS-based equipment and services. Hams who use GPS devices in both T-hunting and emergency communications also have a vested interest in the outcome of the final FCC decision on the LightSquared nationwide broadband system. (Published reports)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: HARVARD PROFESSOR JOINS FCC

The FCC now has a new distinguished scholar as a part of its staff. Harvard University law professor Jonathan Zittrain will be based in the FCC's Office of Strategic Planning and Policy Analysis and will work on issues related to modern communications networks. He succeeds Duke University law professor Stuart Benjamin, who was the commission's first Distinguished Scholar.

Professor Zittrain's research interests include issues related to digital property and content, cryptography, electronic privacy and the roles of intermediaries in the Internet's architecture. He's also a computer science professor at Harvard and a board member of the Internet Society; he is also on the board of advisors for Scientific American, a member of the Council on Foreign Relations and a forum fellow of the World Economic Forum. Previously, Zittrain was professor of internet governance and regulation at Oxford University. The professor will continue to teach at Harvard while working at the FCC. (FCC, RW)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: ZL3DWS NAMED NEW ZEALAND AMATEUR OF THE YEAR

And a hearty congratulations to David Searle ZL3DWS who has been named to receive New Zealand's Amateur of the Year Award. This in acknowledgement of the tremendous results he achieved in his Buildathon projects.

David recently moved from Christchurch to Bondi, Australia. Speaking from Australia's 2nd favorite beach, David said that he was greatly surprised, yet proud, to learn that he had become N-Z-A-R-T Amateur of the Year. He adds that his pride is in the fact that the award acknowledges the success achieved by so many Canterbury radio amateurs and beyond, with the Zed-L-3 Radio Buildathon project. (NZART)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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HAM RADIO PUBLIC RELATIONS: PROMOTING ARRL FIELD DAY 2011

The ARRL has released a new press kit along with a set of two new Public Service Announcements to publicize Field Day, 2011. The press kit contains just about everything a club needs to publicize Field Day and its own operations. But it's the Public Service Announcements that will likely get the most attention if you are willing to download them, burn them to C-D's and drop off copies at your local radio stations.

What do they sound like? Heres one of them. Take a listen:

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Actual PSA (less music track) - Please download our newscast MP3 audio file to hear it.

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Yes that's Don Carlson, KQ6FM, whose voice you regularly here on Amateur Radio Newsline. But this week Don is in another role as spokesman for the upcoming ARRL Field Day event. To get a copy of the new Field Day promotional spots that Don has created please take your web browser to tinyurl.com/fielddaypsa and download the audio file marked Field Day 2011. The complete ARRL Field Day press kit itself is at tinyurl.com/fielddaypress. (ARRL, audio supplied by KQ6FM)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: CORNELL UNIVERSITY SEEKS HAM RADIO ASSISTANCE IN SATURN MISSION PREPARATIONS

Ham radio has been invited to take part in the preparations for the upcoming exploration of the planet Saturn by remote satellites. This if a group of tiny Cornell University-developed satellites travel to the ringed planet sometime within the next decade.

The exploration will be done using tiny micro-sized chip satellites called Sprites. As they flutter down through Saturn's atmosphere, they will collect data about chemistry, radiation and particle impacts while transmitting as beacons with 10 milliwatts of RF power.

Tests of the Sprites is ongoing. Three prototypes of these chip satellites were mounted on the International Space Station after the space shuttle Endeavour delivered them on its final flight.

During testing of these micro sized birds, the help of radio amateurs is required. If you would like to serve as one of those trying detecting this signal from one of the Sprites, please follow up with Zac Manchester by e-mail to zrm3 (at) cornell (dot) edu. More information is on-line at tinyurl.com/3fs5ks7 and www.spacecraftresearch.com/blog (ANS)

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WORLDBEAT: OPEN UNIVERSITY STUDENTS ASSN ARC - QRT

The Open University Students Association Amateur Radio Forum is going QRT. The decision to shut down was brought about by changes to the new virtual learning environment.

Over its life the forum has had many a world wide radio enthusiast who are students of the Open University call in to the forum. Founders hope that a new forum can eventually be created under the new Open University environment. (Southgate)

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WORLDBEAT INTRUDER WATCH: ONE NEW AND ONE GONE ON 15 METERS

The May issue of the IARU Monitoring System newsletter reports that the Australian Over-The Horizon Radar has been heard in the 15 meter amateur band. On a more positive note the same issue of the newsletter reports that the The Russian Yakhta vocoder system has disappeared from its self ascribed home on 21 dot 0015 MHz. The complete newsletter can be read on-line in PDF format tinyurl.com/may2011iarums. (IARU)

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DX

In DX, word that the 2011 Macquarie Island VK0KEV operation has been approved for DXCC credit. If you've had this operation rejected in a recent application please send a note to dxcc (at) arrl (dot) org. You can verify the update to your record either by checking your Logbook of the World account, or, you'll see a change in the live daily listing on the DXCC web site.

On the air, keep an ear open for EF8M operating from the Canary Islands during the RSGB Islands on the Air Contest on July 30th and the 31st as a Multi-Operator, All-Band, High-Power entry. Operators mentioned are RD3A, EA8CAC and UA5C. QSL via UA3DX.

W7GJ plans to be active from Samoa on a 6 meter E-M-E DXpedition during the final week of August. His callsign will be 5W0GJ and he says that his license and airline tickets are now in hand. QSL direct to W7GJ.

Lastly, PY2FN will be operational as PY0FO from Fernando de Noronha between July 2nd to the 9th. Activity will be on 160 through 6 meters on CW only. Logs will be uploaded to Logbook of the World. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the bureau.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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WITH NEWSLINE: WILL THERE BE A 2011 YHOTY WINNER?

And finally this week, a word about the 2011 Young Ham of the Year Award. Here's our producer, Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF:

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While we find it rather sad to report, its beginning to look as if there may not be an Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award made this year. The reason is that with only two weeks until the closing date of nominations, only one has been received and there is no way to know if the judging committee will consider it as being valid.

Unlike other award programs, the Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award does not carry over past years nominations. As soon as a winner is announced all other nomination forms are discarded. Every year is a new year and requires a nominator to submit a new nominating form and associated documentation.

As I record this, only 7 forms have been downloaded from our website and only one of these has been returned. By contrast, in years past, by this time we have had hundreds of downloads and dozens of completed nominating packages returned for the judging committee to peruse.

What we cannot understand is why, with there supposedly now thousands of hams age 18 or younger, only one person has seen fit to take the time to nominate someone for this years award. And just because there is only one nomination does not mean that person will be selected. This is because a candidate must meet the criteria as set forth by the committee in regard to overall service to ham radio, the community or the nation.

Yes, we know it takes time and effort to put together a good nominating package, but in the end those are energies well spent. This is because each award winner is a kind of guarantee that the next generation of hams will help the hobby to prosper and to grow.

The bottom line is that the nominating period closes at midnight on June 30th. A valid nomination consists of a completed nomination form that you can download from our webaite at www dot arnewsline dot org along with substantiating documentation for any and all claims made on the nominating form. Incomplete nominating packages or those postmarked after midnight on June 30th will not be considered for the 2011 award program.

Whether or not there is an Amateur Radio Young Ham of the Year Award for 2011 is entirely in your hands. We and our corporate underwriters provide the presentation ceremony and provide the winner his or her gifts that include a week at Spacecamp along with transportation to and from the city of Huntsville, Alabama. Giving the Young Ham of the Year Awards Committee the necessary nominations and back-up documentation is

up to you.

All nominating packages must be postmarked no later than midnight local time on June 30th 2011 and should be sent to the Young Ham of the Year Award, in care of the Amateur Radio Newsline, 28197 Robin Avenue, Saugus, California 91350.

If you really care about the future of our hobby and making sure there will be a next generation of young hams to carry on, now is the time to prove it by taking the time to nominate a worthy youngster for this years Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of The Year Award.

I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF.

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As we watch the mailbox, the next two weeks will definitely determine whether or not there will be a Young Ham of the Year Young Ham of the Year Award presented this year.

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB, the Southgate News and Australia's W-I-A News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is newsline@arnewsline.org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California, 91350

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Jim Davis, W2JKD, in central Florida saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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Message-ID: <20110617150004.04DAC33C5F@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4370
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 19th June 2011

The news headlines:

* Southern 80m news readings to end
* Near-vertical incidence skywave measurements published
* New Olympic radio information website

Last month an appeal was made on GB2RS for members to come forward as volunteer news readers for the South of England news readings on 3640kHz. Unfortunately no-one has come forward. The result is that the South East and South West readings at 0900 and the East Anglia reading at 0930 on 3640kHz will terminate next Sunday, 26 June. The RSGB takes this opportunity to thank the four retiring newsreaders involved, G3WDY, G3WUZ, G4NZQ and G4DYC, for their dedication to the news service over many years. G4NZQ will, however, be able to continue with the 2m evening news reading via the Norwich repeater. Listeners are reminded that they can find alternative news readings by accessing the RSGB Members' Only website, clicking on News and then selecting the Broadcast Schedule tab.

Dr Marcus Walden, G0IJZ, recently attended the 13th International Ionospheric Effects Symposium in Alexandria, USA. Marcus gave a presentation titled Comparison of Propagation Predictions and Measurements for Mid-Latitude HF NVIS Links at 5MHz. This compared near-vertical incidence skywave measurements from the UK 5MHz beacon network with HF propagation predictions using VOACAP and ASAPS software. Further information and a link to the paper can be found on the RSGB website at www.rsgb.org/spectrumforum/hf/5mhzintro.php. Marcus will also be at this year's RSGB Convention to give a presentation on NVIS frequency selection, the 5MHz beacon measurements and HF NVIS propagation predictions.

Further to the recent 70cm tests in support of the Olympic sailing at Weymouth & Portland, the RSGB has introduced a more permanent presence for Olympics news and information at www.rsgb.org/olympics. It is also linked from the Operating section of the RSGB website. Additional information will be added in due course as further details become available.

The West Yorkshire Repeater Group is going digital. Their new repeater, GB7HX, will go on air this morning, 19 June. The group were hoping to run GB3HD in parallel but because of delays in new frequency

allocations for GB7HX, they have opted to put the new digital repeater on the old HD frequencies for now, with a 1.6MHz split. This means that GB3HD will be temporarily off air, but the group aims to re-instate it once a new frequency pair has been allocated for GB7HX. The repeater will operate from the group's excellent site at Scapegoat Hill near Huddersfield and will provide good coverage of Huddersfield, Brighouse, Elland, Halifax and the M62 corridor from Junction 22 to 32 and beyond. The solution is Icom based with an Intel server for the internet gateway. The repeater is connected to the K5TIT trust environment. The group would like to thank the RSGB Emerging Technology Co-ordination Committee for all their help with this proposal. You can get more information from the repeater group's website at www.wyrg.org. And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

The Newbury Radio Rally and Boot Sale will take place on Sunday 19 June at the Newbury Showground, next to M4 J13. There will be a big display area of amateur radio stations, exhibitions, special groups, clubs and societies. There is free car parking, admission is £2 and doors open at 9am. Sellers have access from 8am and pitches cost £10. Details from rally@nadars.org.uk.

On Friday 24 June, from 6 to 9pm,The Radio Society of Harrow are holding a mini field day and picnic at Old Redding View Point Car park, Harrow Weald HA3 6SE. During the evening, some satellite operation is planned, although some expertise would be welcome in this area. All are welcome to attend.

The Hamtronic Show takes place in Friedrichshafen, Germany from 24 to 26 June. Several UK companies will be exhibiting and there will also be a large RSGB bookstall.

On 25 June an Amateur Radio Jumble will be held at Kilham Village Hall, near Driffield, East Yorks YO25 4RG. Doors open at 9.30am and entry is £1, which includes tea or coffee. Details from John, G3XYF on 01377 254441.

Next Sunday, 26 June, the West of England Radio Rally will be held in the Cheese & Grain, Bridge Street, Frome, Somerset BA11 1BE. There will trade stands and an RSGB bookstall. Contact Shaun, G8VPG, 01225 873 098.

Now for the news of special events

Reading and District Amateur Radio Club will be operating GB2MBA for Museums on the Air today, 19 June, at the Museum of Berkshire Aviation, Mohawk Way, Woodley.

Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society will put GB0BON on the air today, 19 June, to commemorate the 366th anniversary of the Battle of Naseby. The station will be located at Rupert's Viewpoint, just south of Market Harborough in Leicestershire, on the Clipston Road. Rupert's Viewpoint is one of the highest vantage points in the area.

Special event station GB4CVM will be active from 24 to 26 June. It will be operated by Mike, G4SMB, a member of the World Association of Christian Radio Amateurs and Listeners. Operating frequencies and times will run generally as per the net schedules shown on the WACRAL website, www.wacral.org. However, the station will be on the air at other times where activities permit. Mike invites everyone to call in and say hello if you can.

Central Lancs ARC will be activating Hoghton Tower on 26 June. This stately home, located in Preston, Lancashire has been the ancestral home of the De Hoghton family since William the Conqueror. For more details go to www.cashota.co.uk. And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

Several Greek amateurs plan to activate Kastri lighthouse on Othonoi Island, which is IOTA reference EU- 052, for the very first time until 26 June. Details at www.j48o.com. QSLs for J48O should be sent to SP2FPU either via the bureau or direct.

SD1B/5 plans to become active from Aspoja, which is IOTA reference EU-177, from 19 June until 1 July. QSL via DL8AAV.

K2EFG will be on the air from Fire Island, which is IOTA reference NA-026, on 20m and 40m until 23 June. QSL via K2EFG either via the bureau or direct.

A group of eight operators will be active as BY4QA/5 from Tantou Shan Island, which is IOPTA reference AS-137, from 30 June to 3 July. They will operate mainly SSB with some CW on the HF bands. QSL via BD4QK, direct or via the bureau.

Nigel, G3TXF plans to be active as ZD7XF on St Helena between 22 and 30 June. He will operate CW only, mainly on the HF bands, but he will also be taking antennas for 80 and 160 metres as well as for 6m. There will not be any Internet access in the shack; logs will be uploaded to both LoTW and ClubLog whenever practical. QSL via G3TXF.

Now the contest news

The biggest RSGB VHF event of the month is undoubtedly the 50MHz Trophy, which takes place for 24 hours this weekend, 18-19th June. There will be plenty of UK portables operating, some from rarely activated squares, so unless your locator map has all the squares coloured in there's likely to be potential for working some new ones. This event is often blessed with enhanced propagation for at least part of the time, so as well as the potential to work some new UK squares, some new Continental ones might also come your way. From 1400 to 1400UTC and using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The Worked All Britain 50MHz phone contest takes place today, Sunday 19 June, from 0900 to 1500UTC. The exchange is signal report, serial number and WAB square. Full details of the rules and logsheets may be obtained from the WAB website, www.worked-all-britain.co.uk, or from

the Contest Manager, G3XKT by e-mail to aebbooks@ntlworld.com.

The IRTS 80m Counties contest also takes place today, the 19th, from 1400 to 1700UTC. For those outside EI/GI, work EI and GI only. Send a report and serial number, and expect to receive the same plus County

The 1.3GHz UK Activity Contest takes place on 21 June from 1900 to 2130UTC. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

23 June sees the SSB leg of the 80m Club Championships take place from 1900 and 2030UTC. The exchange is signal report and serial number.

The fourth 70MHz Cumulative contest takes place on 26 June from 1400 to 1600UTC. The exchange is signal report, serial number and locator. And now the solar factual data for the period from the 6th to the 12th of June, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on the 13th of June.

Solar activity varied between very low and moderate levels. The largest solar flare of the week was a M2/2N which took place on the 7th from a small region that had been quiet till then. A large coronal mass ejection was associated with this flare. Six C class solar flares took place during the week on different days. Solar flux levels declined from 100 units on the 6th to 85 by the 11th and the 12th. The average was 90 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 12th was 103 units, that's three units down on last week. A sharp fall like this in the 90 day solar flux average is not that unusual as the very high daily solar flux levels from around 90 days ago come out of the calculations. Just goes to prove that the progress from sunspot minimum to maximum is not a smooth curve. X-ray flux levels remained steady all week and averaged B1.5 units. Geomagnetic activity was at unsettled levels all week. Several weak effects from glancing blows from coronal mass ejections continued to take place all week. The quietest day was the 6th with an Ap index of 7 units. The average was Ap 10 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds vary between 380 and 500 kilometres per second. Particle densities were into the teens during the 7th, 8th, 10th and the 11th, the remaining days were low. Bz varied between minus and plus 4 nanoTeslas during the quietest day and between minus 11 and plus 8 nanoTeslas during the most disturbed day.

And now the solar forecast. The active side of the Sun is expected to be rotating into view later in the week. Solar activity should increase to low levels, with a small chance that activity could increase to moderate levels. Solar flux levels are expected to increase to slightly above the one hundred mark by next weekend. Geomagnetic activity is expected to be quiet till midweek before a coronal hole disturbance is expect to arrive and last till well into the weekend. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 21MHz for the south and 18MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be about 12MHz. Paths this week to the Middle East should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of about 21MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be around 16MHz.

The best time to try this path will be between 1200 and 1900 hours. Also this path should be workable via double hop sporadic-E on 28 and 50MHz. Occasional Sporadic-E openings could take place on 144MHz.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your

transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS On Sunday 19 June Coventry Amateur Radio Society commences its weekend event, operating GB4H from The Herbert Art Gallery & Museum, Jordon Well, Coventry CV1 5QP, for International Museums on the air. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777363.

On Monday 20 June Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is having a picnic and draw, inviting members to operate with their own choice of equipment and antennas. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548478, daytime.

On Monday 20 June South Birmingham Radio Society is having a film show of 1960s club events, plus holding a committee meeting. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Monday 20 June South Normanton Alfreton & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a junk sale. Details from A Lawrence, 2E0BQS, by email to adylawri@btinternet.com.

On Monday 20 June Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society is having demonstrations and explanations of slow scan television and direction finding. For more information contact Peter D Rivers, G4XEX, on 01858 432105.

On Tuesday 21 June Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is having a video show. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 21 June Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a 160m DF event. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Wednesday 22 June Lincoln Short-Wave Club is having a formal meeting. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

On Wednesday 22 June Midland Amateur Radio Society is holding training classes and making its final plans for the 80th birthday celebrations. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 01214 229 787.

On Wednesday 22 June Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is preparing for VHF NFD. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday 23 June South Birmingham Radio Society is having training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Friday 24 June Bromsgrove & District Amateur Radio Club is having an HF night and preparing to operate GB1AMB. Contact Chris, M0BQE on 01905 776 869. On Friday 24 June Coventry Amateur Radio Society is holding a radio workshop and portable competition. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777363.

On Friday 24 June Nunsfield House Amateur Radio Group has a fox hunt with Brian Reid. Details from Ken Frankcom, G3OCA, on 01332 720976.

On Friday 24 June South Birmingham Radio Society is having a construction evening. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Saturday 25 June Lincoln Short-Wave Club commences its weekend event for Museums on the Air at East Kirkby and is in the shack. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

On Saturday 25 June Midland Amateur Radio Society is holding an open day from 10am to 4pm to celebrate its 80th birthday. There will be an exhibition, stalls, refreshments and a chance to meet the training staff. Special event station GB80TH will be on the air to celebrate. More information is on the club website, www.radioclubs.net/mars.

On Saturday 25 June South Birmingham Radio Society is paying a visit to Midland Amateur Radio Society to see their 80th birthday exhibition. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Sunday 26 June Hucknall Rolls Royce Amateur Radio Club is hosting a classic car show at the club site. More information from Dave Wilde, G1YAI, on 0844 4355593.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND On Monday 20 June Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is on the air and having a natter night. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 0191 477 0036.

On Monday 20 June Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is holding a mini flea market and quiz night. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 20 June Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on the history of compact fluorescent lights by John, G4FRK. Details on the web at www.tcars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 21 June Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is operating /P from around 6.30pm, at the car park near the wind farm above Wainstalls, map reference SE 043 309. If the weather is bad the event may be cancelled at short notice. Contact Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341317.

On Wednesday 22 June Hambleton Amateur Radio Society is having an operating night. More information from Tony Wilson, G3MAE, on 01609 881530.

On Wednesday 22 June Hornsea Amateur Radio Club Shack is visiting to G3LZQ. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240573.

On Thursday 23 June Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the 80m CC SSB. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240573.

On Thursday 23 June Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air and having a club night. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 0787 608 5631. On Thursday 23 June South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is holding its summer solstice BBQ. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 0161 969 3999.

On Friday 24 June East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is having a radio magazines evening. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Saturday 25 June East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club commences its weekend event running Museums on the air station, GB0ZLB, from the Zetland Lifeboat Museum on the Esplanade in Redcar. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Saturday 25 June Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is at the Brighouse Charity Gala. Contact Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341317.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND No news items have been received for Northern Ireland this week.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday 21 June Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a club evening. Details from Norman, on 07740 946192.

On Wednesday 22 June Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club is having a 20m activity night from 7 until 10pm. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723.

On Wednesday 22 June Lothians Radio Society is holding its summer BBQ. Contact Andy Sinclair, by email to secretary@lothiansradiosociety.com.

On Wednesday 22 June West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society has Solder Group homebrew projects & licence training. More information from Fred Coombes, 2M0BIN, on 01415 715512.

On Thursday 23 June Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is having a discussion night. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663.

On Friday 24 June Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club is having a normal club night but asks members to note the change of night. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723.

On Friday 24 June West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society is having presentations, guest speakers, a quiz and a raffle. More information

from Fred Coombes, 2M0BIN, on 01415 715512.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA On Sunday 19 June Bedford and District Amateur Radio Club is having a BBQ and picnic field day in Ravensden. Details from Bob Leask, G3XNG, by email to g4ceotalk21.com.

On Sunday 19 June Newbury & District Amateur Radio Society is running the Newbury Radio Rally. For more information contact Rob, G3LMW, on 01635 862737. On Sunday 19 June South Essex Amateur Radio Society is operating GB2BM at Bay Museum for International Museums on the Air. Contact Norman, M0FZW, on 01268 692776.

On Monday 20 June Braintree & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a BBQ. For more information contact John, M5AJB, on 01787 460 947.

On Monday 20 June Burnham Beeches Radio Club is having a fox hunt. Contact Dave, G4XDU, on 01628 625 720.

On Monday 20 June East Kent Radio Society is having a talk on RAYNET by Brian Tutty, M0DCO. Details from Karl Davies, M1DFM, on 01227 710120.

On Monday 20 June Surrey Radio Contact Club is having a fix-it, advice, chin wag and move-it-on evening. Contact John, G3MCX, on 020 8688 3322.

On Tuesday 21 June Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720815.

On Tuesday 21 June Bromley & District Amateur Radio Society is having a direction finding contest. Details from Andy, G4WGZ, on 01689 878089.

On Tuesday 21 June Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is having a club net night. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Tuesday 21 June Verulam Amateur Radio Club is having a club night. Details from Tony, 2EOWAP, on 01727 853087.

On Wednesday 22 June Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is having CW practice and a talk on getting started on the air. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday 22 June Hastings Electronics and Radio Club has an all day barbecue and /P operation, including a kite aerial demo. Details from Gordon, on 01424 431 909.

On Wednesday 22 June Havering & District Amateur Radio Club is having an informal evening & Morse class by Peter, G3JSR. More information from John, M0UKD, on 07890 222111.

On Wednesday 22 June Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society is at North Weald Airfield, operating GB2NWA for International Museums Weekend. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 020 8502 1645.

On Wednesday 22 June Newbury & District Amateur Radio Society is having a presentation on linear amplifiers by Paul, G4KTZ of Linear Amp UK. For more information contact Rob, G3LMW, on 01635 862737.

On Wednesday 22 June Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is holding its trophy fox hunt, leaving CNS school at 19.30. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898678.

On Wednesday 22 June Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is having a discussion evening. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816684.

On Thursday 23 June Echelford Amateur Radio Society has CW practice, a natter night and a Bring & Buy. Contact John, G4GSC, on 01784 451898.
On Thursday 23 June Edgware & District Radio Society is having a visit by Alison Johnston, G8ROG, RSGB Region 9 Regional Manager. More information from Mike, G4RNW, on 0208 950 0658.

On Thursday 23 June Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the RSGB CC SSB contest. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898678.

On Thursday 23 June Reading & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the GR2HQ Contest by Tony Canning, G0OPB. Details from Pete, G8FRC, on 01189 695 697.

On Thursday 23 June Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a BBQ. Details from David, G8UOD, on 01234 742 757.

On Friday 24 June Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having a junk exchange and general discussion evening. Contact Ron, G3KBR, on 01223 501712.

On Friday 24 June Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a radio night and table top sale. Contact Peter, G4AKG, on 01444 239371.

On Friday 24 June Radio Society of Harrow is having a mini field day and picnic at Old Redding View Point Car park, Harrow Weald HA3 6SE. All are welcome to attend and some operations via satellite are planned. More information from Linda, G7RJL, on 0208 386 8586.

On Friday 24 June Wimbledon & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on modern photography by Peter, G1SHV. Contact Andrew Maish, G4ADM, on 020 8335 3434.

On Saturday 25 June Bedford and District Amateur Radio Club is putting on its mobile operation at Ravensden Village Fete. Details from Bob Leask, G3XNG, by email to g4ceotalk21.com.

On Sunday 26 June Coalhouse Fort Amateur Radio Society is holding an open day. Contact John Parker, M1DUC, by email to coalhouserad1o@yahoo.com.

On Sunday 26 June East Kent Radio Society is having a meeting and picnic at Stelling Minnis. Details from Karl Davies, M1DFM, on 01227 710120.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST On Monday 20 June Appledore & District Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night and operating at Laurence's QTH. Contact Brian Jewell, M0BRB, on 01237 473251 for more information.

On Tuesday 21 June Blackmoor Vale Amateur Radio Society is having an HF evening. Contact Tony, G0GFL, on 01258 860741.

On Tuesday 21 June West Devon Radio Club is having an operating night featuring beginners DXing with Zoli Ritter, M0ZOL. Further information from Jules Cuddy, M1AGY, on 01752 291588.

On Thursday 23 June South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695471.

On Thursday 23 June Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having an activity night. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317750. On Thursday 23 June Yeovil Amateur Radio Club is holding a field event at Bruton School. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk.

On Friday 24 June Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having an audio visual presentation on K5D Desecheo Island by Derrick, G3LHJ. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

On Saturday 25 June Appledore & District Amateur Radio Club is running a special event station at Abbotsham Fete. Contact Brian Jewell, M0BRB, on 01237 473251 for more information.

NEWS FOR WALES On Monday 20 June Dragon Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on antenna modelling by GW0ETF. More information from Stewart Rolfe, GW0ETF, on 07833 620733.

On Tuesday 21 June Wrexham Amateur Radio Society is on the air as GC4WXM/P. More information from Patrick, 2W0HUU, on 07947 701 927.

On Thursday 23 June Marches Amateur Radio Society is having a video evening. For more information contact Dave, MW0AYM, on 01691 777242.

581. SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 19 JUNE 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-06-18 19:00:14 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <20110618190007.6CB9833C5F@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4371
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SorSry, here is the right bulletin!

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 19 JUNE 2011

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. PLEASE NOTE: for audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 and 3,695 MHz SSB.

In the news today:

SCIENTISTS SAY SOLAR CYCLE HEADED INTO LIMBO

WHAT DO YOUNG PEOPLE THINK ABOUT AMATEUR RADIO?

IARU REGION 1 CONFERENCE

CELL PHONES ARE SAFE AFTER ALL

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting news items.

SCIENTISTS SAY SOLAR CYCLE HEADED INTO LIMBO

For years, astronomers and space scientists have been predicting the Sun would move into solar maximum by around 2012. During this period there would be many intense flares and lots of sunspot activity. Now they are thinking that the opposite may be happening.

Newsline reports that according to three studies released in the United States on Tuesday 14 June experts believe the familiar sunspot cycle may be shutting down and heading toward a pattern of inactivity unseen since the 17th century.

According to experts from the National Solar Observatory and Air Force Research Laboratory, the signs of this include a missing jet stream, quickly fading spots, and slower activity near the poles.

At a meeting of the American Astronomical Society's Solar Physics Division in Las Cruces, New Mexico, Frank Hill, the Associate Director

of the National Solar Observatory's Solar Synoptic Network said that the fact that three completely different views of the Sun point in the same direction is a powerful indicator that the sunspot cycle may be going into hibernation.

According to Hill, the current cycle, number 24, may be the last normal one for some time but the next one, cycle 25, may not happen for some time. He adds that this is important because the solar cycle causes space weather which affects modern technology and may contribute to climate change.

Read more about this on www.sarl.org.za and select Amateur Radio Today.

WHAT DO YOUNG PEOPLE THINK ABOUT AMATEUR RADIO?

In an interview with 5 young radio amateurs between the ages of 11 and 17, they shared their views about amateur radio. It was transmitted in a special youth day broadcast which was on the air just before the Youth Day Sprint on 16 June. You can listen to it on www.hamradio.org.za, the new website the SARL is developing with the focus on young people.

SARL WEBSITE

The SARL is in the process of moving its website to another provider. The process is expected to cause little or no disruption. We will however keep you up to date with developments and inform you when the move has been completed.

SUBSCRIPTIONS ARE NOW DUE

As the end of June approaches please pay your subscription for the 2011/2012 financial year as soon as possible. Invoices were mailed a few weeks ago. When making electronic transfers or bank payments, please make sure you give your name and callsign on the payment slip or electronic payment notification. If you have already paid your subscription, thank you we value your continued support.

IARU REGION 1 CONFERENCE

Although the SARL Council have appointed delegates from its ranks to represent the SARL at the conference, individual amateurs may attend as observers. The full registration details are on www.iaru2011.org.za. Accommodation at Sun City is limited. If you like to attend as an observer at either the conference, or the GAREC meeting, please get you registration in as soon as possible but by not later than 24 June as after that date accommodation may not be available.

WINNERS OF PRIZES IN SARL CONTESTS

If you are one of the lucky winners in any of the recent SARL contests the good news is that the book prizes have been mailed to the winners. The SARL apologizes for the delay which was caused by a short supply of the various books selected as prizes.

CELL PHONES ARE SAFE AFTER ALL

The Cellular Telecommunications and Internet Association, better known as the CTIA, has ripped into a recent United Nations' report that claims cellphones can cause cancer.

The World Health Organization recently issued a report stating that radiation from cellular telephones can possibly cause cancer. It said that based on the U.N.'s International Agency for Research on Cancer working group, and in reviewing peer-reviewed studies, that it found some evidence of an increase in Glioma and acoustic Neuroma brain cancers among mobile phone users. As such, the agency now lists mobile phone as a carcinogenic hazard.

Now the CTIA has issued a broad based rebuttal that begins by quoting previous studies by the US Federal Communications Commission that concluded there is no scientific evidence that proves that wireless phone usage can lead to any form of cancer. The cellular lobby group also quoted the Food and Drug Administration as stating that the weight of scientific evidence has not linked cellular phones with any health problems.

In its rebuttal barrage, the Cellular Telecommunications and Internet Association also pointed out that the World Health Organization made no effort to conduct its own scientific study of cellular telephone use. Instead, it only reviewed previous studies made by other investigators over the years in reaching its conclusion.

Before its announcement on Tuesday, May 31st the World Health Organization had assured consumers that no adverse health effects from cellular telephones had been established. Now the WHO and the CTIA are on opposite sides of a public relations battle over the still unknown effects of cellular telephone radiation effects on the human body.

So should you use your VHF/UHF handheld transceiver? Yes! It is most likely safer than crossing the street.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is expected to be at low to moderate levels. Currently the visible solar disk consists of two big sunspot groups 1 234 in the south and 1 236 in the north. Both are producing C Class flares and there is a chance for another M Class event. A third sunspot group will soon rotate into view on the southeast limb and was the source of another C Class flare early on Thursday. For the people doing their own frequency predictions the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be about 40.

With the winter here 20 m will provide the best opportunities for DX followed by 30 m and some sporadic 15 m openings may also appear.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

25 June - West Rand flea market starting at 12:00 in Kroton Street, Weltevredenpark.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 750 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 18:30 CAT on 3 230 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by George, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening, 73.
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========== Message Ends ========== To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp.

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-06-19 13:57:04 UTC
From: jamiep63 <jamiep63@xtra.co.nz>
Message-ID: <4DFD9EE4.6010004@xtra.co.nz>
Source record: 4372
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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From The Business Manager ZL2DL

Debby says...

I am off work until next Tuesday. Seems the conference flu bug has taken
a firm hold on me...have been off work all week with a chest infection.

Debby

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Ann Fraser ZL3TNT has resigned from NZART council
Midlands District councillor, Ann Fraser ZL3TNT has resigned from NZART
council. This creates a casual vacancy which council will have to fill.
Would any NZART member who resides in the Midland District, and is
interested in becoming a councillor, please advise the president, HQ, or
any councillor of their interest so that council will be able to make a
decision.
Roy ZL2KH

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Kordia Agreement Signed

On behalf of NZART Council I am very pleased to be able to report that a
new lease agreement has been signed between your Association and Kordia

Ltd. The agreement is for a five year term and covers all the existing Kordia sites which have amateur equipment installed.

The agreement signals a return to the terms and conditions which existed prior to Kordiaï¿½s decision to charge site rentals ï¿½ i.e. there is no charge for the equipment rack space or antenna space and the only cost is a contribution towards the power used. This is less than $1000 per year and will continue to be paid for by your Association, as it has been since the original agreement was reached with Kordiaï¿½s predecessors, BCNZ and BCL.

Particular thanks must go to Otago Branch for their excellent submission to the Minister for State Owned Enterprises, the Hon. Tony Ryall. This submission titled ï¿½Save Our Systemï¿½ clearly struck a note with the Minister and resulted in a political directive to Kordia resulting in their return to an arrangement which is financially sustainable for the amateur community.

I would also like to acknowledge with thanks the contributions made by Christchurch Branch, Whangarei, Kawerau and Gisborne for their work in raising the political noise level with their local MPï¿½s which I am sure made the Minister and his predecessor aware of the situation.

I have received some comment regarding the apparent lack of action by NZART at a national level in lobbying the Minister for SOEï¿½s over the Kordiaï¿½s situation. I did make two attempts to get an appointment in Wellington. The first was deferred by the then Minister (Simon Power) and the second opportunity late in November 2010 I had to cancel due to work overseas. A reply received from the Hon. Simon Power in October 2010 read as follows:

ï¿½You will appreciate that my responsibility as Minster for State Owned Enterprises does not extend to the operation of a SOE. In accordance with section 5(2) of the State-Owned Enterprises Act 1986, matters of an operational nature, including charges, are legally the responsibility of SOE boards.ï¿½

This did not give me any great expectation that the then SOE Minister would be responsive to representations from NZART at a national level.

What I did do through this time was to encourage the various people who had contacted me to try lobbying their own local MP to try and raise the political ï¿½noiseï¿½ level. In early March this year came the announcement that the Hon Simon Power was retiring from politics at the end of 2011 and early April, the announcement that the Hon. Tony Ryall was appointed as the new Minister for State Owned Enterprises. Otago Branchï¿½s very timely letter to the new minister was sent on 13 April and as you now know, resulted in prompt action by the new minister.

The new agreement recognises Kordia Ltd as a platinum sponsor of NZART and we will be working with Kordia to both recognise and promote them via the NZART web site and also in Break-In. The value of the new sponsorship agreement with Kordia is $92,300 ï¿½ this is the figure we

would have to pay if we were paying commercial rates for the eleven Kordia owned sites where amateur radio equipment is located. Other NZART branches that have their own web sites are encouraged to also place appropriate acknowledgement of this generous sponsorship on their own web sites. More information on this will available in the near future.

Many of you will be aware that ARTANZ made a submission to Kordia. This proposed a five year term and to provide publicity for Kordia in exchange for a return to the ï¿½status quoï¿½ ï¿½ i.e. no charge for the sites. While the ARTANZ submission may have assisted Kordia in drafting up the new terms of the agreement, I am in no doubt that it was not their submission that brought about the change of heart on Kordiaï¿½s part. In my recent discussions with Kordia, it was clear that it was political pressure which resulted in their change of position regarding charging for our use of their sites.

While the new agreement only covers existing sites, I would be happy to approach Kordia in the future to seek approval for additional sites for amateur repeater equipment. To this end ARTANZ have completed and submitted to Kordia the required engineering evaluation for Hedgehope with a view to the possible use of this site as an extension to the National System on to Invercargill and this site will be included in the new co-location schedule. Both Dunedin and Eastern Southland Branches have been actively investigating alterative sites for a National System extension which does not require the use of Hedgehope. I expect a final decision on the most appropriate site for an extension of the National System into the ï¿½deep southï¿½ will be made by the Branches concerned.

Vaughan Henderson ZL1TGC

NZART Vice-President

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FMTAG Notes For HQ Infoline-232

PROPOSALS

1. Branch 53 Te Puke has applied for an APRS Digipeater at Shaw Road, Topo50 map reference BE37 870.20 014.96. The transmit and receive frequency will be 144.575 MHz, in accordance with the band plan.

2. Branch 53 Te Puke has applied for an APRS I-Gate at the Branch 53 Club Rooms, Topo50 map reference BD37 913.75 142.71. The transmit and receive frequency will be 144.575 MHz, in accordance with the band plan.

Comments and Applications

Please send your comments and suggestions on the above matters and recommendations, and on any other FMTAG matters, by e-mail to: fmtag@nzart.org.nz
<mailto:fmtag@nzart.org.nz?subject=FROM_INFOLINE-232_PAGE>

Applications for repeaters, beacons, digipeaters, point-to-point links, and so on, should be made on the latest version of FMTAG Form 10. The latest versions of FMTAG Form 10, and the explanatory Form 10A, are available on the NZART web site:
http://www.nzart.org.nz/nzart/fmtag/

Completed forms should be sent by e-mail to fmtag@nzart.org.nz <mailto:fmtag@nzart.org.nz?subject=FROM_INFOLINE-232_PAGE>

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NZART Top Monitoring System Observer Award

The purpose of this NZART Top Monitoring System Observer Award is to encourage all listeners and radio amateurs to actively report unusual signals or suspected intruders on the allocated international and IARU Region 3 radio frequencies from VLF to Microwave. The purpose of these reports to assist the NZART Monitoring System Co-ordinator who collates and verifies potential intruders, who invade our precious finite radio frequencies. This information will be recorded for evidential purposes and where appropriate action taken to remove the intruder. There is a very long history of radio amateurs and listeners' providing such reports to ensure that the allocated frequencies are protected for the enjoyment of all.

What do you need to do?

Merely enjoy your scientific hobby, but report signals via the different means available via the NZART web site to the Monitoring System Co-ordinator. All reports will be verified and collated into an annual league table and shown in the bi-monthly Break-in magazine and NZART Web pages. The person judged to be a prolific and solid Intruder Watch contributor during each year. The recipient will receive a free one year NZART (single) membership subscription and will be provided with an official certificate of merit of their achievement. The NZART Monitoring System Coordinator will ask for clarification or additional information as required to verify the report.

Conditions:

1.

All past and present Monitoring System Co-ordinators are barred from entry for this award.

2.

Send reports including date/time in GMT, Frequency, Readability, Strength, Tone (RST), Mode, direction of signal (if possible), and any relevant comments.

3.

Send your reports to:
MS@nzart.org.nz or via:

intruderwatch@googlegroups.com

4.

You do not need to be a current member of NZART to contribute
towards the Top Watcher Award or to participate.

5.

The award winner will be declared in November of the current year.

John ZL1GWE NZART Monitoring Service Coordinator

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DX Code of Conduct Update

DX CODE OF CONDUCT

Dear DX Code of Conduct supporter,

Most of you have seen much more evidence of our progress in spreading
the word about the DX Code of Conduct to the ham radio community. Our
site has had almost 16,000 unique visitors. The distribution of visitors
is world-wide, one of our key objectives. Click on
http://s07.flagcounter.com/more/NoSG
to see our statistics. It has been gratifying to see that the
overwhelming majority of DXpeditions have endorsed the Code.

For the coming year, our goals are to:

1.

Work with DXpedition team leaders to encourage training exercises
so that every operator's proficiency at pileup management is at a
level consistent with their team's objectives.

2.

Continue to get DXPeditions to incorporate the Code EARLY on in
their website planning. Many of these sites have 50,000 visitors
and we'd sure like more of their visitors come see our website.
Whatever click thru rate we can get, it would be better if we were
part of their thinking from Day 1.

3.

Work with the national societies to get them on board to
promulgate the Code to their members through clubs as well as
directly to their membership. 'We hope they will post the Code in
their language or put a link on their websites.

4.

Work with the higher profile DX clubs to get them on board on a
consistent basis to always work on educating the members about the

importance of ethical conduct.

5.

We would like to have every National Society send every member -
or at least every new member - an e-mail version of John and
Mark's book as Standard Operating Procedure, and continue to do it
forever. OK, so many new members aren't destined to be DXers, but
at least they can get the message that ethical behavior is
important to the ham community.

At the individual level, you will note that the vast majority of new
supporters have incorporated the logo of the Code at their websites. If
you signed up before this feature was ready, please take a few minutes,
go to
http://www.dx-code.org/link.htm
and follow the directions to put it at your website or QRZ page. You can
also ï¿½talk us upï¿½ at your club meetings, perhaps using the Power Point
presentation we've prepared. Feedback I received from clubs about the
Power Point is enthusiastic.

The World Wide Radio Operators Foundation -
http://www.wwrof.org <http://www.wwrof.org/>
- has put together a Contester's Code of Ethics that incorporates our
Code. We wish them great success in promulgating that Code to their
constituency.

So our thanks to you all for your support of the cause of striving for
the best possible ethical operating practices. We hope you take pride in
the role you have played in our mutual success.

Finally, please take a minute to forward this e-mail to your DX-pals.

For the Committee,
Randy W6SJ

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Proposed Changes to VHF-SHF Records Keeping

Simon Lewis ZL4PLM - NZART VHF-SHF Records Keeper

Last year I offered to take over the running of NZART's VHF-SHF records
system and as part of that changeover, I decided to carry out a review
of how the records program was being run, the records formats in use and
the rules and guidelines being used to govern the process.

Following on from that review I wrote a proposal to Council on how I
would like to restructure the records system, the changes I would like
to see in the way the records are recorded and some proposed changes to
the rules and guidelines used, all of which are intended to bring the
records program inline with globally recognised standards, provide a set
of guidelines and rules that match modern operating methods and more
importantly, provide a new baseline that will encourage new record

attempts and increased participation in the VHF-SHF records program.

This proposal was reviewed and accepted by council at the F2f meeting at Silverstream and as part of the change process we are now publishing the proposed changes for comment from interested VHF-SHF operators and would like to hear your comments and feedback on the proposed changes. I have also included a sample of what the 144 MHz record table would look like under the new format so you can see the proposed look and feel to the tables.

Closing date for comments / feedback is 17 July 2011 after which fine tuning will take place and the new formats placed online onto the website. Feedback and comment should be sent to the NZART VHF-SHF Records keeper zl4plm@nzart.org.nz

To further encourage participation in records attempts a new certificate of achievement is being created and will be awarded to all new successful records submission to ecognise the achievement. A hall of fame and firsts list will also be created so that that past history is not lost.

Simon ZL4PLM

Use this link to see the proposed rules and sample image:

http://www.nzart.org.nz/info/vhf-records/

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RSM Newsflash

17 June 2011

Release of E, X and Y callsign suffixes to the amateur radio service

Radio Spectrum Management will allow the use of E, X and Y callsign suffixes for amateur radio service callsigns from Noon, Wednesday 22 June 2011.

Amateur radio operators that wish to have an amateur callsign issued that contains an E, X or Y callsign suffix should approach an Approved Radio Examiner (ARX) to complete this work.

A list of Approved Radio Examiners (ARX) is located on the RSM website.

http://www.rsm.govt.nz/cms/engineers-and-examiners/information-for-rsm-approved-radio-examiners-arx/list-of-approved-radio-examiners-arx-available-for-public-work

The effective time and date from which Approved Radio Examiners (ARX) are permitted to allocate the new callsign series is:

Noon, Wednesday 22 June 2011

Until then, *ARXï¿½s are not permitted to allocate E, X and Y callsigns.*

At Noon on the 22 June 2011 SMART will process ARX allocations on a ï¿½first come, first, servedï¿½ basis.

A new edition of the Radio Operator Certificate and Callsign Rules (PIB 46) permitting the use of the new callsign series will be published on the RSM website on the morning of 22 June 2011.

VAUGHAN HENDERSON ZL1TGC

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Contest News

VHF/UHF/SHF Contest

VHF++ Brass Monkey Contest (1st SAT AUG) 06/07-AUG-2011

FROM THE VHF-UHF-SHF CONTEST MANAGER

A reminder that the cut-off date for receipt of Hibernation Contest logs is only seven days away.

The next contest is the Brass Monkey Contest, 50 MHz and up, on Saturday the 6th and Sunday the 7th of August 2011. The operating times are: Saturday 1700 to 2300 NZST and Sunday 0700 to 1300 NZST.

The contest after that is the Microwave Contest, 921 MHz and up, on Saturday the 1st and Sunday the 2nd of October 2011. The operating times are: Saturday 1700 to 2300 NZST and Sunday 0700 to 1300 NZST.

All contest logs should be sent, to arrive within two weeks, to:

zl2wa@clear.net.nz <mailto:zl2wa@clear.net.nz>

with Contest Log in the subject line, or by post to:

Contest Manager
Wellington VHF Group
P.O. Box 12-259
Thorndon
Wellington

HF CONTEST

2011 NZART MEMORIAL CONTEST

When :- 2 and 3 July 2011

Times :- 2000 NZST until 2300 NZST both evenings

Band :- 80M

Contest Information :- Pages 5.6 and 5.7 2010/2011 NZART Callbook

INTERNATIONAL CONTESTS

VK/Trans-Tasman 160M Phone Contest 1200Z until 2400Z Sat.25 June - Check WIA Website for details

IARU World Champs (CW and SSB) 1200Z Sat. 9 July until 1200Z Sun.10 July
- refer ARRL Website

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Please think of the environment before printing this e-mail

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Housekeeping

1.

Break-In-Closing Date Reminder: Copy for the JULY/AUGUST issue
of Break-In-closes on 10-JULY-2011

2.

*Copy for Break-In: *Copy is welcome in most electronic formats
but word.doc files are preferred. Photos and other graphics should
be send as separate discrete files (*.jpg preferred); not as
embedded pix in the body of the text. Please ensure that suitable
descriptive captions/legends are included with your copy.
All received copy will be acknowledged to confirm receipt.
Thank you for your cooperation.
John Walker ZL3IB Editor.

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*Break-In: Early receipt of copy is much appreciated *

4.

*Break-In-AREC Column: *The close-of-copy date is the 03-JULY-2011
for articles for publication in the AREC COLUMN OF BREAK-IN.
Photos, if available, to be on a separate floppy or CD (with
captions), posted DIRECTLY TO US. Use Call Book address. All other
material can go to e-mail:
zl3qr@nzart.org.nz <mailto:zl3qr@nzart.org.nz> or
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583. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 19th June 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-06-19 20:00:13 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20110619200005.52CB033C69@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4373
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 19th June 2011

Licence Examination

The next exam will be held on Thursday, 7 July, at 2.00 p.m. in the ComReg offices in Dublin. The closing date for receipt of applications to sit this exam is Wednesday 22 June. Full details including entry procedure and examination fee are available at www.irts.ie/exam or just click on the 'Licence Exam' button on the IRTS webpage.

World Castle Weekend

Scrabo Tower Activation

Bobby - MI0RYL will be activating Scrabo Tower on Friday 1st july 2011, in Newtownards using various HF Bands (propogation allowing). All details can be found at www.cashota.co.uk.

QUIOLE CASTLE ACTIVATION Bobby - MI0RYL will be activating Quoile Castle, Downpatrick, on Friday the 8th July 2011 using various HF Bands (propagation allowing). All details can be found at www.cashota.co.uk

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Shannon Basin Radio Club

The next meeting of the Shannon Basin Radio Club will be held Friday 1st July in Shearwater Hotel Ballinasloe 19.00 hours. More information is available from EI8IU or EI9HX at QTHR. All members are requested to attend.

Limerick Radio Club

The LRC 2m Repeater is off the air until further notice due to vandalism. The services affected are the voice repeater function, IRLP and Echolink. Club members are doing their utmost to restore the repeater as soon as possible. Significant damage has been done which will incur additional unplanned expense on the club funds. Anybody who wishes to make a contribution towards the repair can do so by sending it to Mr Tony Condon EI2AW, LRC Treasurer at QTHR.

Summits On The Air

Filip ON4TA, who has been holidaying in Ireland for the past few weeks, spent some of his time here climbing the hills with his HF and VHF gear. Filip is an avid fan of the SOTA (Summits On The Air) programme. Despite the poor weather while he was here, he managed to activate 24 Irish summits during his stay. On his final day in Ireland, Joe EI7GY joined him to co-activate Croghan, on the Wicklow / Wexford border, followed by Croaghanmoira in Wicklow. Filip and Joe operated on 2 metres, 70 cms, 30 metres and 40 metres. See www.sota.org.uk for more information on the SOTA programme.

Amateur Portable Group

EI0Z, will be active on Saturday 25th June for the museum's on the air from the "hurdy gurdy" museum the martello tower howth and the group would like to thank the crew there for giving us the use of this very unique location.

It is well worth a visit if you've never been there, and a great day out.

Sun Spot Activity

US scientists say the familiar sunspot cycle seems to be entering a hibernation period unseen since the 17th century, a pattern that could have a slight cooling effect on global temperatures. For years, scientists have been predicting the Sun would by around 2012 move into solar maximum, a period of intense flares and sunspot activity, but lately a curious calm has suggested quite the opposite.

"Enjoy our stormy sun while it lasts," so says Victoria Jaggard of the National Geographic Daily News, recently. "When our star drops out of its latest sunspot activity cycle, the sun is most likely going into hibernation, scientists announced today. Three independent studies of the sun's insides, surface, and upper atmosphere all predict that the next solar cycle will be significantly delayed-if it happens at all. Normally, the next cycle would be expected to start roughly around 2020. The combined data indicate that we may soon be headed into what's known as a grand minimum, a period of unusually low solar activity. The predicted solar 'sleep' is being compared to the last grand minimum on record, which occurred between 1645 and 1715. Known as the Maunder Minimum, the roughly 70-year period coincided with the coldest spell of the Little Ice Age, when European canals regularly froze solid and Alpine glaciers encroached on mountain villages." - Sudden intense solar activity can disrupt shortwave transmissions, but the higher end of the 11-year sunspot cycle is generally good for shortwave, opening up propagation on frequencies from 12 to 30 MHz.

DX News

The Japan A1 Club is celebrating the 200th Anniversary of the birth of Samuel Morse by airing the call 8J1MORSE until November 30th 2011. Calls from other areas of Japan to look for are 8J1MORSE/2, 8J1MORSE/3 etc. Not surprisingly CW will be the preferred mode.

Stan SQ8X is leading a multi-national team which will be active from the island of Jan Mayen from 4 - 16 July. The callsign will be JX5O. They hope to have up to 3 stations on the air and will be QRV on 40 - 6m. More details can be found on <http://janmayen2011.org>

The Brazilian island of Fernando de Noronha will be put on the air by Marcelo PY2KN during the period 2 - 9 July. This is a separate entity for DXCC purposes and also counts as SA-003 for the Islands on the Air Award. He will be paying particular attention to 6m during his time there.

A group of mainly Greek operators will activate the islet of Othonoi during the period 17 - 25 June. The callsign will be J48O and the expedition will count as EU-052 for the IOTA Award.

LJ2T was the callsign of the Radio Telegraphers School of the Norwegian Army's Signal Corps from 1945 until 1982. The call can be heard again from the Signals Museum of the Norwegian Armed Forces in Lillehammer from 30 June until 3 July. The QSL manager is LA5EAA

The well-known DXer Nigel G3TXF will be on St Helena in the South Atlantic from 22 - 30 June using the call ZD7XF. As usual with Nigel this will be an all CW trip and QSLs go via his home call.

The US National Association of Shortwave Broadcasters

The NASB will team with Dallas-based transmitter maker Continental Electronics to host the first U.S. meeting of a High-Frequency Coordination Conference/Arab States Broadcasting Union conference, Sept. 12-16, in Dallas. Officially the B11 HFCC/ASBU conference, the gathering of shortwave broadcast professionals is expected to pull approximately 100 delegates from 40 countries. The NASB is encouraging shortwave professionals in the U.S. to attend to make a good showing. These twice-yearly conferences rotate among various countries. According to a release: 'This will be an excellent opportunity - to meet with the world's shortwave broadcasters, and to discuss some of the new platforms of delivery for international broadcasting, such as the Internet, satellites, podcasts, etc. Topics dealing with programming, audience research and others are also being planned for the agenda.

Power Line Transmission Technology (PLT)

At an ITU forum discussing the problem of polluting PLT devices, Dr Hamadoun Tour&#65533;, Secretary-General, ITU, cautioned service providers and

others against rolling out technologies conforming to specifications that do not meet ITU requirements. Concerns that home networking products using power line transmission (PLT) technology may cause interference with radio services led to a forum last week in Geneva to address the issue.

Emerging Technology:

Laser and Fiber Optics Set Net Data Speed Record

Researchers have set a new record for the rate of data transfer using a single laser. The speed reached is 26 terabits per second.

The trick was to use what is known as a "fast Fourier transform" to unpick more than 300 separate colours of light in a laser beam. Each is then encoded with its own string of information.

The technique is described in the journal Nature Photonics. The report says that at those speeds, the entire Library of Congress collections could be sent down an optical fibre in about 10 seconds. Source: www.wia.org.au

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BBC News APP for Android

You can now download the official BBC News app for international audiences. Get the latest world and regional news from the BBC's global network of more than 2000 journalists. From breaking news, to business, politics, entertainment, technology, the arts and sport, all divided into clear sections, this free app lets you watch video reports, listen to live radio and read the latest updates wherever you are.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

584. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1015

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Message-ID: <493770.6631.qm@smtp107.sbc.mail.mud.yahoo.com>
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Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 12th-June, through Sunday, 19th-June there were 224 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3V, 3W, 3X, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5V, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, CY0, CY9, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J3, J5, J6, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PY0T, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T32, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TU, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VP2E, VP2M, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZD9, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

9N, NEPAL (Update). A multi-national team, all members of Mediterraneo DX Club (MDXC), will be active as 9N0MD from Nepal during November. Operators mentioned are Dov/4Z4DX, Ziv/4Z4OQ, Marco/CE6TBN, Gabriele/I2VGW, Pino/I8YGZ, Dario/IT9SSI, Antonello/IT9YVO, Al/IV3BSY, Giuliano/

IV3RLB, Fabricio/IZ2KXC, Tony/IZ3ESV, Sergio/IZ3NXC, Ant/IZ8CCW, Luis/
XE1L and Adhi/YB3MM. The pilot station will be Pino/IZ8BGY. Activity
will be on all HF bands and modes. The DXpedition now has a survey on
their Web page for band and mode needs at:
http://www.mdxc.org/nepal/topic1/index.html
Also, the team plans to give away trophies and prizes (see their Web for
details). Look for more details and updates at:
http://www.mdxc.org/nepal/topic1/index.html

A2 & ZA, BOTSWANA AND SOUTH AFRICA. Frosty, K5LBU, will once again be
heading back to Africa and is looking for operators. He states, "I will
be going over to South Africa-Botswana in September and if any one would
like to operate from Botswana for a week or 10 days they can contact me.
I will be setting up antennas at a new lodge and their web page is:
http://www.lotsane.com
I most likely will be there or going there around the 17th. I can meet
anyone at the airport in Johannesburg or in Gaborone Botswana." If
you are interested, contact him at: frosty1@pdq.net

AT8, INDIA (Special Event). Members of the Bangalore Amateur Radio Club
(VU2ARC) have activated the first special event station from India from
the Visvesvaraya Industrial and Technology Museum in Bangalore. Look
for AT8VTM to be active until June 27th. Activity is taking place during
the 10th International Museum Weekend 2011. Details of the Musuem is
available on: http://www.vismuseum.org.in
Details about the International Museum Weekend are available at:
http://www.ukradioamateur.co.uk/imw

C9, MOZAMBIQUE. Operators Dave/ZR6DG and Helge/ZS6HB will be active as
C92DG from the Timbavati Game Reserve in Tofo between July 14-28th.
Activity will be on the HF bands. QSL via ZR6DG. Look for photos to be
posted on QRZ.com

IOTA NEWS.....
AF-008. Alex, IW3SGT, will be active as EA8/IW3SGT from Fuerteventura
Island between June 21st and July 3rd. Activity will be during
his evening hours on SSB and PSK. QSL via his home callsign,
by the Bureau, eQSL (AG) and LoTW.

AF-018. Franco/IK4YCQ is now active as IH9/IK4YCQ from Pantelleria
Island until June 23rd. Activity will be on the HF bands
SSB only. QSL via his home callsign.

EU-008. Operators Graham/MM0GHM, Gordon/MM0GOR, Peter/GM7AAJ and
Allan/2M0VNW will be active as GM7A from Gigha Island, part
of the Hebridean Islands, during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July
30-31st), as a Multi-Op entry. QSL via GM7AAJ direct.

EU-016. Pontus, SM0RUX, will be active as 9A/SM0R from Hvar Island
(ACIA IC-668, CIA-13, IOCA CI-028, MIA MC-132, WLOTA 1206)
between July 10-15th. Activity will be holiday style and
from different beaches mainly during daytime! QSL via SM0RUX,

direct or by the Bureau.

EU-120. Members of the Newbury and District Amateur Radio Society (NADARS) will once again be active as G7N from Isle of Wight during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st), as a Multi-Op entry. Operators mentioned are Ray/G4FON, Colin/M0DDT, Richard/ G3ZGC and Dave/G3KLH. QSL via G5XV.

EU-124. Roger, MW0IDX, will be active as homecall/p from Puffin Island (WFF EIFF-047), Ireland, on June 27th. Activity will depend on the weather because he is travelling to the island by kayak. Operations will be mostly 20 meters SSB, higher bands if open. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct.

EU-135. Anders, SM5EFX, will be active as SF2X/p from Ledskar Island (WLOTA 0291) between July 1st and August 1st. Activity will be on all HF bands and modes. He will also participate in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st). QSL via SM5EFX, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-136. Massimo, IZ5LDD, will be active as 9A/homecall from Losinj Island (ACIA IC-116, CIA-25, IOCA CI-058, MIA MC-204, WLOTA 4295) between June 19-27th. Activity will be on or near the IOTA frequencies using SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via his home callsign direct (see QRZ.com).

EU-136. Dante, IK5ASN, will be active as 9A8ASN from the Cres Island (ACIA-90, CIA-06, IOCA CI-012, MIA MC-056, WLOTA 0553) between July 13-30th. Activity will be on all HF bands, propagation permitting. QSL via IK5ASN by the Bureau.

EU-137. Lars, SM6CUK, will be active as SA6G/7 from Ven Island (WLOTA 0780) between July 28th and August 1st. Activity will include participation in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st). QSL via SM6CUK (QRZ.com address).

EU-177. Bernd, DL8AAV, will be active as SD1B/5 from Aspoja Island between June 19th and July 1st. Activity will be on the HF bands, mostly SSB and CW. QSL via his home callsign direct or by the Bureau.

NA-026. Yigal, K2EFG, is once again active as K2EFG/p from Fire Island (USI NY013S, Suffolk County, New York) and the lighthouse (ARLHS USA-286, TWLHD WLH K-060, WLOTA LH 1922) until June 23rd. Activity will be mainly on 40/20 meters, but he may go to 15/10 meters if the conditions allow. Yigal will use a FT-857 (w/75-100 watts) into a Buddipole antenna on the eastern part of the island. There may be a time when Yigal will be directing a YP3 Yagi to the west (in-land). He will only be able to operate for 3-4 hours as there is no power available at the dunes where he can set up an antenna. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

NA-112. Todd, N4LA, will be active as N4LA/p from a beach house on
Bogue Banks (USI NC010S, Carteret County, North Carolina)
between June 19-25th. Activity will be limited to his free
time, but look for him on 40/20/17/15/12/10 meter SSB. He will
be using a Yaesu FT-857D w/100 watts into a Par End Fedz and
Shock Cord Vertical. There will be the possibility of actual
oceanside beach operations (if time permits) using a battery
pack. QSL via his home callsign direct or LoTW. Visit his
Web site at: http://www.n4la.com

NA-213. Joe, K5KUA, will be active as K5KUA/4 from Dauphin Island
(USI AL002S, Mobile County, Alabama) between July 4-10th.
Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands, propagation
permitting. QSL via his home callsign by the Bureau or direct.

SA-045. (Update) Operators Orlando/PT2OP and Fred/PY2XB plan to activate
an island in the Amapa State Group, in August, during the second
fortnight (second week). Rony/PS7AB and Luciano/PT7WA, informed
OPDX this past week that Orlando/PT2OP and Fred/PY2XB have
received authorization from the environmental authorities
of the State of Amap&#65533; to have a DXpedition to the Bailique
Archipelago (DIB AP-01, ARLHS BRA-009, WLOTA L-1123 and DFB
AP-04) and lighthouse. The Amap&#65533; State is in the extreme
northern part of Brazil, and the islands in SA-045 are located
in the northern hemisphere. Amap&#65533; has few hams, and the state
is highly requested by colleagues who wish to achieve the
diploma "Worked All Brazil" (WAB). It has been a long time
since an Island in IOTA SA-045 was activated. The islands
are part of a biological reserves under environmental pro-
tection. The second fortnight of August was chosen due to the
HF propagation forecast, the climate conditions of the region
and the moon season which affects the sea tide and the op-
portunities to reach the islands. The callsigns will be PQ8OP
(QSL via PT2OP) and PQ8XB (QSL via PT7WA). More details will
be forthcoming.

J2, DJIBOUTI. John, F4FUC, will be active as J28UC from Djibouti starting
in July and will stay there until 2013. Activity will be on 40-10 meters
using a TS-480 w/100 watts into a vertical (20/15/10m) and dipole
(40/20/10m) antenna. QSL via his home callsign.

J6, ST. LUCIA. Howard, WB4WXE, will be active as J68HS from St. Lucia
Island (NA-108) between June 25th and July 15th. Activity will be on
160/40/17/12/6 meters. QSL via his home callsign.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (June 20-26th)....
Jun 20 AN SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS
Jun 21 AN --------------------
Jun 22 HN BN - Below Normal
Jun 23 HN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Jun 24 HN LN - Low Normal
Jun 25 HN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED

Jun 26 HN DIS - Disturbed
VDIS - Very Disturbed

GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

LU7/LW6, ARGENTINA (Field Day Op). Look for the following stations/clubs to be active in the ARRL Field Day activities this coming June 25-26th. Operation will be concentrated on CW and the Digital modes. The callsigns (clubs) and QSL info is as follows:
LU7EO - AVELLANEDA RADIO CLUB <www.lu7eo.org.ar>; QSL via LU7EO:
C.C. 41, C.P.1870, Avellaneda, Bs. As., ARGENTINA

LW6DW - GRUPO DX NORTE <www.gdxn.com.ar>; QSL via LU5AVD:
Francia 3643, C.P. 1605 Munro, Bs. As., ARGENTINA

OJ, MARKET REEF (Update). Operators Max/ON5UR, Marc/ON8AK, Jelmer/PA5R and Dervin/PD9DX will be active as OJ0UR from Market Reef (IOTA EU-053, ARLHS MAR-001, TWLHD WLH OJ0-001, WLOTA LH-0542 and Admiralty C4472) between from August 13-20th. Activity will be on the HF bands using a Stepp-IR Big Vertical and a Stepp-IR 2 element beam. QSL via M0URX, direct (w/SAE plus 1 IRC/2 USDs), by the Bureau, or LoTW. Alternatively, QSLs may be requested using M0URX's OQRS form at:
http://www.m0urx.com/qsl-request-form
For more info, visit their Web page at:
http://www.united-radio.be/index.php

PACIFIC DX NET REVIVAL. Bill, VK4FW, informs OPDX of the "re-commencement of 'THE PACIFIC DX NET'". The net will be on the air from 0600z every Monday-Wednesday-Friday [UTC day] on 14.265 MHz [plus-minus QRM]. The primary Net Control is VK4AN, with alternates assisting. It is a net for members, DXpeditions and rare DX. Check-in are only accepted from these categories. If you wish to become a member of the 'PACIFIC DX NET', send your CALLSIGN and NAME to vk4an@pacific-dxers.com and a number will be assigned commencing from 501. Pacific DXer members are auto-matically members of the net using their membership number. If you are interested in DX throughout the Pacific Region, then consider joining the 'Pacific DXers' at: http://pacific-dxers.com
Any Dxpedition or rare DX that checks in will be asked to announce what frequency they will QSY to after working members for the benefit of others that want to work them.

PJ6, SABA ISLAND (Update). The six meter expedition to Saba Island (NA-145) by team Dick/K5AND, Pat/W5OZI and George/K5TR have now been issued the callsign PJ6D. QSL via K5AND. Log will be uploaded to LoTW. Their Web page is available at: http://dkhanson.com/pj6

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....................
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated June 19th)

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4J3DF via RW6HS HB9/VA7UR via UR3LTE R70BP via UA3YY
9A/DJ2FR via DJ2FR HF800Z via SP6CES S520SV via S57DX
9A/IZ5LDD via IZ5LDD HF2011B via SP2ESH SN08DEM via SP9DEM
9K2KCBB via 9K2RA HF2011K via SP9JCN SN08LOT via SQ9ORD
A41MX via EB7DX HF2011L via SP7PGK SN08MZH via SP9MZH
AC2BF/KH2 via JA1OHP HS0AC via HS0ZFZ SN08NOB via SQ9NOB
CS5BALG via CS0RCL II1ICS via I1SAF SN08ORH via SP9ORH
DL/LX1NO/P via LX1NO II2S via IZ2FOS SN08XUM/9 via SP9XUM
E51CGJ via IV3CGJ IR0JCM via IK0IXI SN3R via SP6HEQ
EA3/ON4LEX/P via ON4LEX IR2Y via IK2QEI SN5D via SQ5NBK
ED5W via EA5DWS IR3W via I3FIY SO6I via SP6JIU
EE5K via EA5KB IR4B via IK4AUY SO7L via SP7UWL
EG1VEE via EC1AEU IR4M via I4IFL SO9G via SP9DTE
EG2EPC via EC2AMN IR7ITA via IK7JWX ST2NH via EA7FTR
EG4SEA via EA4RKF IT9/IK2GPQ/P via IK2GPQ SV3/SM4KYN via
SM4KYN
EG4SEC via EA4RKF JW1EOA via LA1EOA SX4ME via SV2HWR
EG4SEF via EA4RKF LU1EHR via EA5KB T48K via DK1WI
EG4SEO via EA4RKF LW0F via LU4FLJ TA0/UA6DX via UA6DX
EG4SEP via EA4RKF M/DL6ZFG/P via DL6ZFG TC47TCF via TA1CM
EG4SER via EA4RKF MJ/EA1SA/P via EA1SA TC50BF via TA3SA
EG4SES via EA4RKF MM/F4BKV via F4BKV TK/IW3AAD via IW3AAD
EG8DSJ via EA8RKL MS0INT/P via M0URX TM0SGF via F6KHS
EH1MDC via EA1UVR MU/EA1SA via EA1SA TM1EPC via F6ECI
ER0FEO via ER5AA OJ0/OH2FNZ via OH2FNZ UN9L via LZ1YE
F/DH2KI via DH2KI OL7D via OK1TD UQ3EPC via UN2G
GB8EPC via EA6SK OO9O via ON7SS V25TP via W9AEB
HB0/DL1GBQ via DL1GBQ PJ2/N4LZ via N4LZ VP2MRT via KB4CRT
HB0/DL4ML via DL4ML PJ2/W8QID via W8QID VP9/KF4VTT via
KF4VTT
HB0/DL6OLI via DL6OLI PR3A via PY3OZ (LoTW) XK1T via VE8EV
HB0/K5XK via K5XK PW2D via M0OXO YP6WFF via YO6MP
ZS6EPC via ZS6GRL

QSL CORRECTION. QSL KH6BB via K1ER (not K1EA). Activity from the DD-6
USS Missouri Battleship.

NO LOTW FOR SPECIAL EVENT. Activity by members of the Japan A1 Club to
activate special event callsign 8J1MORSE, 8J1MORSE/2, 8J1MORSE/3,
....etc, to celebrate 220th anniversary of Samuel Morse's birthday
until November 30th, will NOT upload logs to LoTW. Logs will be uploaded
to: http://www.clublog.org/logsearch/8J1MORSE
QSLs will be automatically sent via the Bureau. For direct QSLs, send
to (w/SAE+IRC): 8J1MORSE, 1-14-1-11-B Yoshino, Higashi-ku, Nagoya,
461-0027, JAPAN. For more details, the English rules (for awards)
and information are available at:
http://8j1morse.a1tokai.net -or- http://8j1morse.blogspot.com

PS150PLM QSL UPDATE. QSL Manager Rony, PS7AB, informs OPDX that all QSLs for the PS150PLM (January 2011) operation have been sent via the Bureau in February 2011. If you did not receive one, please let him know and he will send you another. His E-mail address is: ps7ab@yahoo.com

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 4K9W, ER4DX, F4FJH, HB9ESS, HP1WW, IK2DJV, J79FCG, LZ855SKRM, OK1KSL, P43E, P40W, PU8TEP, PW7T, S59ABC, ST2SR, TJ9F, V5/DJ2HD, VE7SZ, VP5/W4QX, VY2TT, XE1GRR and XE2AC

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 1B1AB, 3D2A, 4A4A, 5M2TT, 5N5K, 6O0CW, 9H1XT, AO9IB, CE2/VE7SV, EA9IB, ED9M, FM/F6ARC, HI3/W1JNZ, J28RO, J79M, JD1BLY, JX9NOA, JY5HX, K8LEE/CY0, N1SNB/CY0, N0TG/CY0, P29CS, PJ4/K4BAI, PZ5T, SU1SK, TA0/WA2KBZ, UK7F, UK8OM, V73QQ, VP8ORK, XV2RZ and XV4YY

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: NONE REPORTED THIS WEEK!

SILENT KEY. Peter, HB9PL, informs OPDX that Pierre Pasteur, HB9QQ, became a "Silent Key" (SK) on Saturday, June 11th, after a short but ferocious illness at the age of 80. Peter states, "Pierre was a multi-faceted Ham who was not only a seasoned DX&#65533;er but a highly regarded expert in VHF/UHF work and the 'magic band'. He was author of numerous technical papers and a book about VHF/UHF 'Operating Modes and Techniques'. Unforgettable were his VHF and EME expeditions to HB0, 8Q7, V51 and lectures of these adventures at many conventions and other Ham gatherings. Pierre achieved the WAC on 144 mc EME in 1984 and the DXCC on 50 MHz in 2002. An ex-Maritime Radio Operator, he was an Honorary Member of USKA (Union of Swiss Short Wave Amateurs) and a number of other distinguished societies in Amateur Radio. He leaves his wife Inge, a son and a daughter. He will forever remain in our hearts." OPDX and its readers would like to send out our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of HB9QQ.

ST0, SOUTHERN SUDAN (Look for more Ops!). Paul, N6PSE, Co-Leader for the DXpedition to Southern Sudan states, "I anticipate having 1-2 openings on our DXpedition team to the newly created country of South Sudan. We are targeting our start date to coincide with the admission of the country by the UN. Currently, the feeling is that may be mid-August, 2011. If you are a good CW or SSB operator, strong team player and have a sense of adventure and would seriously consider going with us to Juba, South Sudan via Cairo, please contact me directly at: paul@n6pse.com We are taking the bulk of our gear with us. This is a well planned and well funded DXpedition. The focus will be on providing new ones and on having fun at the same time." The official Web site is at: http://www.dxfriends.com/SouthernSudan2011

SY2011, GREECE (Special Event). Special event station SY2011BVM is now active until July 4th. Activity is to celebrate the Special Olympics Games in Athens. QSL via Bureau, eQSL or direct to SV7BVM (w/SASE). ADDED NOTE: Also, look for SY2011JJZ. QSL via SV7JJZ.

SY7, GREECE (Special Event). Members of the Xanthi's Ham Club TELETHRA, (SZ7XAN) will be active as SY7SOG during the Special Olympics Games until July 4th. Activity will be on all bands,160m-70cm and all modes

(SSB, CW, RTTY, PSK, SSTV etc). There will be a special QSL card which will be sent for all QSOs via the Greek QSL Bureau (arrangements are to be made).

T6, AFGHANISTAN. Eric, K9GY, is now active as T6MO and is expected to be here (he mentions Grid MM44) for at least a year. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using a windom antenna. Most of his operations have been on CW. Eric states, "No 30m operation allowed here per Theater Spectrum Management. No 160m or 80m at this time. QRN levels can be high. Please be patient." Also, look for him to be in contests. QSL via K9GY (USA - SASE [no return postage, no return QSL]--- Outside USA - SAE + 1 USD or SAE + 1 IRC [if you don't have both then no return QSL]). He will upload to the ARRL LoTW and ClubLog periodically.

TY, BENIN. A group of operators are planning to activate Grand Popo, Benin, between August 5-14th. They have the licenses in their hands and all the other permissions to enter and operate. Callsign will be TY1KS. Operators mentioned are Salvador/EA3QS, Giorgio/IZ4AKS, Fabri/ IW3SQY, Francesco/IZ8GCE and Antonello/IT9YVO. Their DXpedition experiences are: 1A3A, 1A4A, 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 5R8KS, C31CT, E44M, HV5PUL, T70A, T70DXC, UK8AXA and others locations. Activity will be on all HF bands and 6 meters, using 3 three Elecraft K3s, and two Elecraft KPA500 new solid state amplifier. Due to the high demand for this country, the focus will be on the lower bands and the Digital modes, but also SSB and the higher band will be well worked especially during the TEP openings. QSL via IZ8IYX or by the OQRS (for direct/Bureau) and LoTW. Their Web site is still under construction, but you can still preview it at:
http://www.dxcoffee.com/ty1ks
The group is looking for sponsors for this DXpedition. Details for funding this operation are available on their Web page.

ZM, NEW ZEALAND (Special Event). Look for special event station ZM2KBR to be active between September 1st and October 31st. Activity is to promote the 2011 Rugby World Cup games. QSL via ZL2KBR, eQSL, by the Bureau or direct.

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
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OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):

http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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Excerpts and distribution of The OPDX Bulletin are granted as long as
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Information can now be faxed to the following "NEW" phone line at:
1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)

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585. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 13 - 19 June 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-06-21 21:30:07 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20110621213001.F14A033C5F@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4375
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.info

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:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2011 Jun 21 1906 UTC
# Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
# http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
13 - 19 June 2011

Solar activity ranged from very low to moderate levels during the
period. The period began with low levels on 13 June with a C1 x-ray
event at 13/0055 UTC from an area on the east limb near N20. A
partial halo CME (estimated plane-of-sky speed of 600 km/s) was
observed off the southeast limb; first observed in C2 SOHO LASCO
imagery at 13/0424 UTC, also observed in C3 imagery at 13/0454 UTC.
Activity increased to moderate levels on 14 June when an M1 X-ray
event occurred at 14/2147 UTC from Region 1236 (N17, L=166,
class/area Ehi/350 on 16 June). A north-south oriented filament
channel erupted near the southeast limb between 0609 and1500 UTC on
14 June. A partial halo CME off the east limb was associated with
the filament eruption (first seen in STEREO-Behind COR2 imagery at
14/1500 UTC). The plane-of-sky speed was estimated at approximately
750 km/s. Activity decreased to low levels for 15 - 17 June. Two
C-class X-ray flares were observed on 15 June: a C2/Sf at 15/1150
UTC from Region 1236, and a C3/1f at 15/1432 UTC from Region 1234
(S16, L=246, class/area Dsi/150 on 19 June). Four C-class events
were observed on 16 June. The most significant was a C7/1N at
16/1022 UTC from Region 1236 associated with weak radio emissions in
the 2695 MHz to 15.4 GHz range, including a 130 sfu 10cm burst. Two
C-class flares were observed on 17 June: C1/Sf X-ray flare on
17/2313 UTC and a C3/Sn X-ray flare at 17/2342 UTC from Region 1234.
Activity decreased to very low levels on 18 June. Activity returned
to low levels on 19 June as two C-class events were observed. The
most significant was a C4 event from Region 1234 at 19/1522 UTC.

The greater than 10 MeV proton flux at geosynchronous orbit was
slightly enhanced during 12-18 June (peak 8 pfu at 17/0805 UTC),
likely associated with an eruptive prominence on the limb at 10/1828
UTC.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
normal to moderate levels during the period.
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Geomagnetic activity ranged from quiet to minor storm levels during the period. Activity was at quiet to unsettled levels, with an isolated active period at high latitudes on 13-14 June due to a coronal hole high speed stream (CH HSS). Activity was at quiet levels on 15 - 16 June. A geomagnetic sudden impulse (SI) was observed at Boulder at 17/0244 UTC (31 nT) and indicated the arrival of the partial-halo CME observed in C2 SOHO LASCO imagery at 13/0424 UTC. The geomagnetic field was at quiet to unsettled levels, with isolated active and minor storm periods at high latitudes. Activity decreased to quiet levels for 18-19 June.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
22 June - 18 July 2011

Solar activity is expected to be at low levels, with a slight chance for isolated M-class flares during 22 - 27 June. Activity is expected to decrease to very low to low levels during the rest of the period as Region 1236 departs. Activity is expected to remain very low until 03 July with the return of old Region 1234. Activity is then expected to be low with a chance for isolated M-class activity for the remainder of the forecast period.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at normal to moderate levels from 22 - 24 June. An increase to high levels is expected for 25 June - 01 July due to a recurrent CH HSS. A brief return to normal to moderate levels is expected on 02 July and then high levels are expected once again from 03 - 05 July due to another recurrent CH HSS. Normal to moderate levels are expected for the remainder of the period.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be mostly quiet on 22 - 23 June. An increase to mostly active conditions is expected on 24 June with a chance for isolated minor to major storm periods due to the combination of the CH HSS and a halo CME observed early on 21 June. Unsettled to active conditions are expected from 25 - 26 June as the effects persist. The geomagnetic field is expected to be quiet to unsettled on 26 - 28 June as the disturbance subsides. Quiet conditions are expected from 29 June - 01 July. An slight increase to quiet to unsettled conditions is expected from 02 - 03 July due to another recurrent CH HSS followed by a return to quiet conditions until 07 July. A third CH HSS is expected to bring unsettled conditions from 08 - 09 July. Predominately quiet conditions are expected until the arrival of a fourth CH HSS due to arrive on 17 July. Quiet to unsettled conditions are expected for the remainder of the period.

586. MESMARISING HOT GIRLS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-06-21 21:54:17 UTC
From: SAMARA <jaidatta9247@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <caa5b171-23ba-4f21-8c10-6bfe33d38ee0@x38g2000pri.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4376

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http://allyouwants.blogspot.com/

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http://goodjobssites.blogspot.com/

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KATRINA KAIF IN BEAUTIFUL RED DRESS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/05/katrina-kaif_22.html
GOOD LOOKING DEEPIKA PADUKONE
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/05/deepika-padukone_22.html
AISHWARYA RAI UNBELIVABLE PHOTO
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/05/aishwarya-rai.html
TAPSEE RARE PHOTOS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/06/tapsee-rare-photos.html

587. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-06-22 01:00:22 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <87f4d68b-dea1-4538-839e-16be2b31f06a@ct4g2000vbb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4377

On Jun 21, 5:54 pm, SAMARA <jaidatta9...@gmail.com> wrote:
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588. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2011-015E - Manitoba Declares “Amateur Radio Week” as local “Hams” prepare for a Public Demo of Emergency Communications

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-06-22 04:35:06 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4E0170AA.3040200@rac.ca>
Source record: 4378
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2011-015E - Manitoba Declares ‘Amateur Radio Week’ as local ‘Hams’ prepare for a Public Demo of Emergency Communications
2011-06-21

Winnipeg, MB June 21st 2011 – The Province of Manitoba has declared June 20-24th as ‘Amateur Radio Week’ in response to the support local Amateur Radio Operators have supplied in the last year. The Proclamation, which is posted at the website of the Winnipeg Amateur Radio Club (http://www.mts.net/~warc/), was signed by the Minister responsible for the Emergency Measures Organization (EMO), Steve Ashton.

This weekend, the public will have a chance to meet and talk with Winnipeg’s ham radio operators and see for themselves what the Amateur Radio Service is about. Showing the newest digital and satellite capabilities, voice communications and even historical Morse code, hams from across the North America will be holding public demonstrations of emergency communications abilities. Several dignitaries including the Director of EMO and the Deputy Mayor will also be visiting.

There are over 65,000 Amateur Radio licensees in Canada, and more than 2.5 million around the world. Through the Radio Amateurs of Canada (RAC) Amateur Radio Emergency Services program, ham volunteers provide emergency communications for thousands of provincial and local emergency response agencies, all for free.

Credit is to go to the Public Information Officer for the Winnipeg Amateur Radio Club Mr. Jim Sutton, ve4sig. The Winnipeg Amateur Radio Club is a RAC Affiliated Club. A lengthier press release went out to all media in Manitoba.

Geoff Bawden, VE4BAW
President - Radio Amateurs of Canada

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http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

589. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2011-016E - Mike Kelly, VE3FFK appointed to the National Field Organization Secretariat

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-06-22 04:37:38 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4E017170.9090103@rac.ca>
Source record: 4379
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2011-016E - Mike Kelly, VE3FFK appointed to the
National Field Organization Secretariat
2011-06-21

I am very pleased to introduce the latest addition to the RAC National Field Organization Secretariat. Mike Kelly VE3FFK joins us as EP Canada Advisor. With a wealth of Emergency Preparedness knowledge and experiance, he will be a much needed presence in the Ottawa area in dealing with both the Federal and Provincial governments on matters relating to Wireless Radio Interoperability.

Mike has had a long standing relationship with the Canadian Emergency Management College and is the "go to" guy to be registered for their training programs. Mike is also a regular volunteer at RAC HQ in Ottawa.

Welcome aboard Mike!

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590. Welcome to rec.radio.info!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-06-22 06:00:03 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/rec-radio-info/welcome-1-1308722401@panix.com>
Source record: 4380
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.info,rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.answers,news.answers

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/rec-radio-info/welcome
Revision: 1.4 2008/02/09 19:36:10
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

*** Welcome to rec.radio.info! ***

Welcome to rec.radio.info, a group that aims to provide a noise-free
source of information and news for the entire rec.radio hierarchy.

Two introductory articles about rec.radio.info are posted to the group
every month. You are now reading the first article, which explains what
rec.radio.info is, and answers some Frequently Asked Questions. The
second article is titled Posting Guidelines, and you only need to read
it if you want to submit an article to rec.radio.info.

You can skip to the next section of this article by searching for the
next
" -- " string. The sections available are:
- What is the purpose of rec.radio.info?
- Why are messages almost always cross posted to rec.radio.info?
- What is a 'follow-up', and what does 'moderated' mean?
- OK, so now I know what 'moderated' means. Tell me more.
- What type of material is considered inappropriate?
- I do not have access to news, how can I get the information posted to
rec.radio.info?
- Will the material appearing in rec.radio.info be archived somewhere?
- I have a regular posting with timely information, is there a way to
speed up it's delivery, or automate for more convenience?

-- What is the purpose of rec.radio.info?

The purpose or charter of rec.radio.info is to provide the Usenet
community with a resource for information, news, and facts about any and
all things radio.

All the other rec.radio groups are intended for discussions and general
chit chat about radio. Rec.radio.info will contain informational,
factual articles only. Follow-ups are redirected to an appropriate other
group, and further discussion (if any) will not take place in
rec.radio.info.
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In order to ensure that rec.radio.info contains only appropriate articles, it was decided to create the group as a moderated newsgroup.

-- Why are messages almost always cross posted to rec.radio.info?

It provides a "tag" for each article to be assembled into a filtered presentation in rec.radio.info (even with cross-posting, only one message, with a unique Message-ID, is propagated across the net). This tag also facilitates a pre-existing method of dropping or canceling the articles locally within the discussion groups if you don't want to see them. This accommodates individuals who want to separate the bulletins from the discussions, discussions from the bulletins, as well as those who are adamant about not reading another newsgroup and wanted to see everything all in one basket.

With the total size of Usenet (in number of newsgroups and total traffic) doubling every year or so, this is no insignificant contribution to reducing information noise and chaos. Making the discussion groups a catch-all, and making extra newsgroups filters on that catch-all, is also the most realistic way to implement such a scheme (It's not intuitively obvious what the charter, contents, and general appropriate topics for each and every newsgroup are. Seeing FAQ's and charter/intro postings in the home newsgroup is beneficial for new readers).

By cross-posting one only is adding a few tens of bytes to each bulletin (to specify the extra group on the Newsgroups line), but are adding the capability for very powerful filtering features available on most news servers, listservers and readers. Your local news guru could probably explain these features in more detail.

In rn, for example, according to Leanne Phillips in her rn kill-file FAQ, add a line of the form:

/Newsgroups:.*[,]rec\.radio\.info/h:j

either in ~/News/KILL (if you don't want to see rec.radio.info articles anywhere) or ~/News/rec/radio/amateur/misc/KILL (if you don't want to see them just in rec.radio.amateur.misc). The latter method means your kill file will only be consulted during rec.radio.amateur.misc (and hence runs more efficiently), and will probably work for most people.

In nn, according to Bill Wohler in his nn FAQ, add a line of the form:

rec.radio.info:!s/:^

in ~/.nn/kill (if you don't want to see rec.radio.info articles anywhere), or put the following lines:

sequence
rec.radio.info
rec.radio.

at the end of ~/.nn/init in order to see all the rec.radio.info bulletins first, then read the remaining rec.radio.* without the

bulletins.

In slrn, according to the srln FAQ, the following scoring rule will | allow you to see rec.radio.info-crossposted bulletins, while still | filtering out most SPAM or "Velveeta" crossposted to more than 2 | newsgroups (as such articles usually do not contain a 'Followup-To:' | header): |

Score: -9999 |
Newsgroups: ,.*, |
~Followup-To: . |

More information about kill files may be obtained from Dave Fawthrop's Killfile FAQ at:

http://www.hyphenologist.co.uk/killfile/

-- What is a 'follow-up', and what does 'moderated' mean?

If you are new to Usenet and are not familiar with the terminology, you might want to read the general introductory articles found in the newsgroup news.announce.newusers. Doing so will make your life on the net much easier, and will probably save you from making silly beginner's mistakes.

If you think that at this moment you are reading an echo, a conference, or a bulletin board, I'd also strongly suggest a trip over to news.announce.newusers.

For the rest of this article, we will assume you have a basic knowledge of Usenet terminology and mechanics.

A moderated group means that any article that needs to be posted to the group has to be accepted by the moderator of the group. Since we need to ensure that followups to an article (discussion) do not show up in the rec.radio.info newsgroup, the `Followup-To:' header line contains a newsgroup that is appropriate for discussions about the specific article.

-- OK, so now I know what 'moderated' means. Tell me more.

Rec.radio.info is a moderated newsgroup, which means that all articles submitted to the group will have to be approved by the moderator first.

The current moderator of the group is the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team. Submissions to rec.radio.info can be posted, or e-mailed to:

rec-radio-info@panix.com

Comments, criticisms, suggestions or questions about the group can be e-mailed to:

rec-radio-info-request@panix.com

But before you do so, please be sure to check out the "Posting Guidelines" article.

The influence of the moderator should be minimal and of an administrative nature, consisting chiefly of weeding out obviously inappropriate articles, while making sure correct headers etc. are used for the appropriate ones.

-- What type of material is considered inappropriate?

There are three broad categories of articles which will be rejected by the moderator:

1) Requests for information: rec.radio.info is strictly a one-way street. We receive information in our mailbox; we then post it to rec.radio.info. Requests for specific information belong in the normal discussion newsgroups. If your request gets answered, you might consider passing the answer on to rec.radio.info, though. Especially if you can edit it into a informational, rather than a discussion, format.

2) Obvious discussion articles, or articles that appear unsubstantiated.

3) Commercial stuff: a relatively unbiased test of a radio product would be accepted, but any hint of for-profit might be reason for rejection. For three reasons: This is not the purpose of the list, for-profit is a controversial topic, and this list may be passed onto Amateur Packet Radio (where for-profit is prohibited except under certain provisos).

rec.radio.swap may be more deserving of the posting in any matter.

Similarly, copyrighted material generally cannot be used. If it's TRULY worthwhile to the net, We would recommend obtaining permission from the copyright holder. Please note the source, and if permission was given. We reserve the right to make the final decision concerning appropriateness in all situations. In most cases, a brief summary of, or pointer to, the copyrighted information may be all we can allow.

-- I do not have access to news, how can I get the information posted to rec.radio.info?

Google has an excellent web interface to Usenet newsgroups. It is available at:

http://groups.google.com

It supports both reading and posting.

Another excellent web interface to at least the radio-related Usenet newsgroups is the RadioBanter site:

http://www.radiobanter.com

sponsored by the NewsgroupBanter project:

http://www.newsgroupbanter.com

It, too, supports both reading and posting.

-- Will the material appearing in rec.radio.info be archived somewhere?

Yes. See Google Groups and RadioBanter above.

Effectively this means that anything you post to rec.radio.info will be permanently stored, so your work will not be lost.

-- I have a regular posting with timely information, is there a way to speed up it's delivery, or automate for more convenience?

Yes, there is! It may take a bit of chatter with the moderator, but we are willing to take responsible people and provide them the means of posting the articles directly from their site. We will try everything we can as we fully realize that DX (distant signal) and astronomical data can be somewhat transitory. We are also willing to allow regular posters of information the same courtesy, even if the information is not as time critical.

We refer to this as self-moderation, which is partly based on the model for rec.answers/news.answers. This requires co-operation and goodwill to be beneficial to the community in the rec.radio hierarchy.

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms about this article to rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

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591. rec.radio.info Posting Guidelines

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-06-22 06:05:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/rec-radio-info/guidelines-1-1308722700@panix.com>
Source record: 4381
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.info,rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.answers,news.answers

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/rec-radio-info/guidelines
Revision: 1.5 2007/03/22 16:30:49
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

*** rec.radio.info - Posting Guidelines and Etiquette ***

Two introductory articles about rec.radio.info are posted to this group
and to rec.answers/news.answers every month. You are now reading the
second article, which explains how to submit something to
rec.radio.info, and which answers some Frequently Asked Questions about
the submission process. The first article is titled "Welcome to
rec.radio.info", and it might be a good idea to check it out as well.

-- How do I submit something to rec.radio.info?

Two possibilities. You can use your newsreading software to just post
the article to rec.radio.info, as you would do with any other
newsgroup. The difference is that the software recognizes the special
status of rec.radio.info as a moderated group, and will e-mail your
article to us, the moderation team, instead of posting it to the group.

Alternatively, you can mail your article directly to us at the following
address:

rec-radio-info@panix.com

Mailing us directly is probably (a wee bit) faster, but using the
transparency offered by the newsreading software is probably more
convenient.

If you have any questions, or wish to deal with some administrivia with
the moderation team, we suggest mailing to the following address:

rec-radio-info-request@panix.com

-- How soon will I see my article appear?

It depends on how busy we are. Your article reaches us as mail, we have
to read it first, give it the stamp of approval, and finally send it on
to the group. We will attempt to read and decide on all submissions
within 72 hours at the very least, though we will probably be able to
process submissions much faster in actual practice.
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The site from which we moderate this newsgroup, "Public Access Internet and Unix, NYC" (Panix), is directly connected to the Internet, and articles posted at that site should appear at most major news sites, including Google Groups, the same day. The principal delay, therefore, will be the wait in the moderator's submission queue.

If you post a periodic article, and have shown to be trustworthy, we may allow you to post directly if the article is of a timely nature. See the section below on direct posting.

-- Should my article be in a specific format?

No. If it is not totally illegible, we will accept it, and if it does not have a correct subject-line we will correct it with your permission -- that's what a moderator is for.

However.

You could do us a big favor by making sure your article conforms to these simple requirements:

1) The article must present information, not discussion or requests, We will reject the article or require you to change the wording if it is worth it.
2) A good, descriptive Subject line.
3) Always mention what source you got the information from.
4) Don't forget to include a Followup-To header, at least if you don't want further discussion to automatically be forwarded to you, the poster, which is the default if the article is only posted to rec.radio.info.

As we said: if your article is appropriate we will post it even if you don't follow these guidelines, but then don't blame us for not processing it immediately. 'Perfect' articles we can send on with a couple of keystrokes. Stuff that needs minor editing is going to have to wait until we have time to do so.

Please do not waste both our and your time by posting requests, as this is an information only news group.

-- What about crossposting?

If you send something to rec.radio.info, just name any group you'd like to cross-post to in the Newsgroups field. Then, when we approve the article for rec.radio.info it will get automatically cross-posted to any other groups mentioned. This will also override the default Followup-To: poster, replacing it with the groups you cross posted to.

We would prefer if the group be cross-posted to the various discussion groups in the rec.radio.* hierarchy that are appropriate:

rec.radio.amateur.misc Amateur (ham) radio and related matters
rec.radio.amateur.packet Amateur Packet Radio discussions
rec.radio.amateur.policy Amateur Radio practices, rules, etc.
rec.radio.noncomm Non commercial radio discussions

rec.radio.shortwave International broadcasting on the 'HF' bands
rec.radio.cb Citizens Band (27 MHz) discussion
rec.radio.scanner Scanner discussions (unsupported group)

or in one of the moderated groups:

rec.radio.amateur.moderated Amateur radio practices, rules, etc.
rec.radio.broadcasting Discussion of *domestic* radio broadcasting

We will leave it up to the poster to decide which group(s) are appropriate, but reserve the right to add groups if we feel it has broader interest. We will consult with the poster first.

Notes on crossposting:

- rec.radio.broadcasting is also a moderated group. The rec.radio.broadcasting moderator prefers to review all articles himself before posting. Placing rec.radio.broadcasting before rec.radio.info on the Newsgroups line should accomplish this. We will typically abide by the rec.radio.broadcasting moderator's decision whether the article is appropriate for rec.radio.info.

- rec.radio.amateur.moderated is also a moderated group. As the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team manages both rec.radio.amateur.moderated and rec.radio.info, we can manage crossposting and approvals for both newsgroups. The rec.radio.amateur.moderated group does not allow crossposting to other discussion newsgroups, whether moderated or unmoderated. However, we would like to manage rec.radio.info as consistently as possible with how it was done by previous moderators, including the grandfathering of existing regular postings. Therefore, the submitter can choose rec.radio.amateur.moderated or the other unmoderated rec.radio.amateur.* discussion newsgroups for crossposting, but not both.

- Any FAQ or informational posting approved by the rec.answers/news.answers moderation team that is also crossposted to any rec.radio.* newsgroup (besides just rec.radio.info) is also automatically pre-approved for rec.radio.info. See below for more information.

If you post to another moderated group, it may be better to make special arrangements with both moderators before posting by contacting us at our administrivia addresses.

In addition, cross-posts do not take up extra space; modern newsreaders can be configured to show you cross-posted articles only once anyway; not everybody reads rec.radio.info; and rec.radio.info was never meant to reduce the volume of the regular discussion newsgroups. But keep in mind that some of the mail gateways may filter out the informational postings (at request of the subscribers) to keep the load down.

You decide.

-- I have a regular posting with timely information, can I make arrangements to help speed up delivery by posting directly from my site?

Yes, there is! It may take a bit of chatter with the moderator, but we are willing to take responsible people and provide them the means of posting the articles directly from their site. We will try everything we can as we fully realize that DX (distant signal) and astronomical data can be somewhat transitory. We are also willing to allow regular posters of information the same courtesy, even if the information is not as timely.

We refer to this as self-moderation, which is partly based on the model for rec.answers/news.answers. This requires cooperation and good will to be beneficial to the community in the rec.radio.* hierarchy.

If you are currently maintaining (or plan to maintain) a radio-related periodic information posting, you may wish to consider crossposting it to rec.answers/news.answers. Postings that are approved by the rec.answers/news.answers moderators for this treatment are automatically pre-approved for crossposting to rec.radio.info (as the news.answers requirements are far more rigorous than the requirements this newsgroup ever plans to use). For more information about this option, consult the appropriate information articles and posting guidelines in rec.answers/news.answers.

Realize also, that even if your post is not approved for rec.answers/news.answers, it can still be approved for rec.radio.info. The intention is not so much to get every last bit of radio-related information on rec.answers/news.answers, but rather to provide an alternative avenue of approval (as well as grandfather existing maintainers of radio-related information and spare them additional bureaucratic hurdles). Again, crossposting to either rec.radio.info or rec.answers/news.answers, both, or neither, is at the discretion of the poster (subject to the approval of the moderators). You decide what is most appropriate for your article.

Please remember that as an information maintainer, you are not alone. There are many others on the net who maintain and post periodic information postings, using various intermediate-to-advanced features of Usenet (usually via automated tools). Various degrees of technical support and general hand-holding are available from many Usenet veterans. Send us some E-mail describing your needs to our administrative address below, and we'll try to help, or at least refer you to the right knowledgeable individual(s).

-- And Follow-ups?

If the only newsgroup you have specified is rec.radio.info, then the Followup-To: field will always be set to poster. If you do not want this, you must supply a Followup-To line of your own, and we will honor that one, as long as it is a subset of the original Newsgroups line.

If you specify newsgroups to cross-post to, then the Followup-To field will be set to include all the cross-posted groups, excepting rec.radio.info itself. Again, if you do not wish this behavior, supply your own Followup-To line.

We maintain other standards on the various RFC-1036 (news transport) header lines. For example, if the article is appropriate for passing into the Packet Radio Information Network, we encapsulate the Packet Bulletin Identifier (BID) in the Message-ID: news header line indicating the machine of origin as the ampr.org domain:

Message-ID: <$opa.55.1994@ampr.org> |

where the Packet Radio BID, in this example, is `$OPA.55', and it was posted in the year 1994, because some of the Bid numbers are cycled yearly. Hopefully, this can be used as a key to re-introduce the articles for the Packet Radio network. Also, if the article is a repost of an already existing information article in the rec.radio heirarchy, we ensure that the References: header line is linked to that previously posted article. This also helps to tag articles, and may be used for additional filtering if needed.

Since the articles are archived, please use the Summary and Keywords header lines to help one search for your article.

-- Why have I received no reply from you?

We never reject anything in silence, and we make a point of it to answer all our mail. However, E-mail, like a brain cell, can and does get lost, every now and again.

So, if you send us something, and you don't see it appear it rec.radio.info, and you still have not heard from us in reply after say, five days, you can be pretty sure that either your mail never reached us, or that our answer has never reached you. In that case, please try again (We will filter out duplicates).

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms about this article to rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

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592. The ARRL Contest Update for June 22, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-06-22 11:06:30 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20110622101745.453F525C13@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 4382
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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The ARRL Contest Update

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June 22, 2011

Editor: Ward Silver, N0AX <rate-sheet@arrl.org>

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NEW HF OPERATORS - THINGS TO DO

It would be hard to prescribe anything other than a mega-dose of Field
Day <http://www.arrl.org/field-day> this weekend - all bands, all
modes. Have fun! Regardless of whether that experience wets your
whistle or whets your appetite, the annual July 1st Canada Day contest
is a great opportunity to point your beams north and join our neighbors
in their national day of celebration.

BULLETINS

There are no bulletins in this issue.

BUSTED QSOS

Elecraft founder call signs and names were swapped in the story about
the new KX-3 last time - for the record, Wayne is N6KR and Eric is
WA6HHQ. Also, the call of the Grid Pirates VHF+ team is K8GP, not W8GP
- apologies for the busted calls! Log checkers...apply the penalty
stick...

CONTEST SUMMARY

Complete information for all contests follows the Conversation section

June 25-26
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- ARRL Field Day
- QRP ARCI Milliwatt Field Day
- NAQCC Milliwatt Sprint--CW (Jun 22)
- SARL Top Band QSO Party (Jun 23)
- His Majesty King of Spain--Phone
- Marconi Memorial HF Contest--CW

July 2-3

- Canada Day Contest (Jul 1)
- 070 Club Firecracker PSK31 Sprint
- Venezuelan Independence Day Contest
- DL DX RTTY Contest
- DARC 10-Meter Digital Corona
- Ten-Ten Spirit of 76 QSO Party (Jul 4)
- MI QRP July 4th Sprint--CW (Jul 4)

==> NEWS, PRESS RELEASES, AND GENERAL INTEREST

If you have been on the HF bands lately, you may have noticed that a number of new prefixes are in use by stations in the Russian Federation. Here is a summary of the changes recently adopted by the Russian telecommunication authorities as reported in a recent ARRL Web story <http://www.arrl.org/news/new-russian-prefix-system-in-use> containing the numerous details of the new prefix structure. Make sure your logging software's CTY files <http://www.country-files.com/cty> are up to date before the IARU HF Championship in July! (Thanks, SRR President Roman R5AA, ex-RZ3AA)

More from Dayton - Scott N7SS reports that Icom American was showing off a new mapping feature for VHF+ products. Redhawk <http://www.icomamerica.com/en/features/lm_redhawksa.aspx> is a GPS mike for virtually any radio that features a real GPS display and other features like text messaging. It also allows a user to poll another and get their current location without having to wait or request they transmit. Mapping software will be able to use this data to show live locations on a map - such as for a rover or mobile station.

Graphene <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Graphene> is not the new fragrance of spreadsheet users, it's a single-atomic-layer allotrope (form) of carbon that makes up graphite. It also has interesting electronic properties that are being put to work in wireless applications, such as a recent frequency mixing ability up to 10 GHz as reported by IBM researchers <http://www.nytimes.com/2011/06/10/technology/10chip.html>. Carbon is cheap and ubiquitous so the electronics industry is watching these developments with interest. (Thank, Bob N6TV)

The US Representative for serious VHF+ operating-magazine DUBUS <http://www.dubus.org/>, Ed KL7UW, has a new email address <dubususa@gmail.com> that can be used for correspondence with DUBUS or Teckniks, the books of articles from prior issues.

Young contest operator Manu LU9ESD <http://www.qrz.com/db/lu9esd> has been selected as part of the upcoming 2012 DXpedition to Malpelo Island, HK0NA <http://hk0na.com/>. Manu's experiences at 6Y1V and PT5T have given him the necessary "chops" to contribute on what will surely be a major operation from a most-needed DXCC entity!

Starting with the 2011 edition of the ARRL UHF Contest <http://www.arrl.org/general-rules-for-arrl-contests-above-50-mhz>, the upper power limit for Low Power entries will be 50 watts - an increase from 10 watts. Also note that the power must be measured at the output of the final stage of amplification (see Rule 2). This is a change from the old rules that allowed power measurement at the input to the antenna. Feed line loss is now part of the game. (Thanks, Lloyd N9LB and ARRL Contest Branch Manager, Sean KX9X)

Pete N4ZR <n4zr@contesting.com> writes to let us know that, "At Contest University <http://contestuniversity.com/> (CTU) in Dayton this year, I gave a "class" on the three most widely used contest logging programs - WriteLog, N1MM Logger, and Win-Test." This was very well received by the CTU attendees! "I have posted PDF versions of the review <http://pvrc.org/n4zr/dayton_2011_presentations.htm>, as well as my CTU presentation on CW Skimmer and the Reverse Beacon Network."

But will they operate EME? China is reported as starting the construction of the world's biggest radio telescope <http://www.gizmag.com/five-hundred-meter-aperture-spherical-radio-telescope/18930/> in the remote Guizhou Province of southern China. It will have a diameter of 305 meters and a collecting area of just over 73,000 square meters - the largest aperture ever constructed. This will extend the range of to three times further into space than the famed Arecibo 'scope. Game on!

This may be old news by the time of publication, but in case there are rooms left, the North Coast Contesters (<http://www.northcoastcontesters.com/>NCC) are pleased to announce that the Crowne Plaza in Dayton, Ohio started taking room reservations for the 2012 Hamvention week on Monday, June 20th under the previously announced agreement for a block rate arranged by the NCC. To make a reservation at the special rate ($135/night) You MUST either call this telephone number to make reservations 937-229- 9852 (special number) or you can make them online <http://contesthotel.com/>. If you call the special number and get the voicemail box - DO NOT leave a message - they cannot call you back. Call back yourself. You must talk to a live operator to make a reservation. A deposit is required at the time of reservation and the hotel cancellation policy applies. (Thanks, Tim K3LR)

Web Site of the Week - Although neither of these gentlemen was highly-connected to the radiosport world, both Jim Williams <http://www.edn.com/article/518496-Analog_guru_Jim_Williams_dies_after_stroke.php> and Bob Pease <http://www.edn.com/article/518568-Analog_engineering_legend_Bob_Pease_killed_in_car_crash.php>

were intimately involved with the electronic technology that underlies much of what we do, both on and off the air. They were legends in the world of analog electronics design and both died suddenly in the past week. Hams will recognize a kindred soul in this NPR story <http://www.npr.org/templates/story/story.php?storyId=4053122> about Jim's travels through the surplus electronics catacombs of Silicon Valley and his appreciation for technology as shown by this video beginning with him standing in front of his living-room art installation - a recreated Minuteman missile guidance computer <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I6ODi7qSpYg>. Similarly, the workbench of Bob Pease is legendary for its apparent disorder <http://www.rfcafe.com/references/electrical/bob-pease-breadboard.htm> from which sprouted well-crafted and engineered designs. Both were also legendary for their abilities to write and present with clarity and inspiration - references to Bob's "Pease Porridge <http://electronicdesign.com/article/analog-and-mixed-signal/Bob-Pease-Remembered-For-Peas e-Porridge-And-A-Whole-Lot-More.aspx>" and "What's All This..." columns have made an occasional appearance in this newsletter and both men have authored books considered classics in the field. Personally, both were a huge inspiration to your editor as a writer and author of technical material - having demonstrated how to do it right. To say they will be missed is a gross understatement. (Thanks, Doug K1DG and others for links)

WORD TO THE WISE

Mentor - this Field Day is an excellent opportunity to mentor new hams, to advise and guide and teach. Take the time to show them what effective operating looks and sounds like - there will be plenty of opportunities to score points and run rate in the weekends ahead of us.

==> SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

Igor, UA9CDC has contributed several videos from the recent Ural Contest Group Championship - the 12th annual competition, held during the first six hours of IARU Region I Field Day. (Part 1 <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-gPQfb9fBcE>, Part 2 <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OBfmgGiDFDc>, Part 3 <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LQ4xeyN0r_A> - the videos were taken and edited by Valery R9DA) Teams are only limited by the 12 meter mast height, Spiderbeam antennas, and 100 watt output power. All the participants are spread out along a North-South line, separated by 200 meters. A video tour of the R9DX contest station <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Wbj76DVuAoo&NR=1> is also available.

Brothers Dave N2TEB and Andrew K2FR operated portable from Mount Beacon, NY (FN31al) in the recent ARRL June VHF QSO Party. They managed to work stations out to about 1000 miles before the rain moved in. Enjoy this video of the mountaintop adventure <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YEGyMqRaekE> put together by Andrew.

Morse Madness strikes when you least expect it, as evidenced by this Bench Press key <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OntZ4-4vEz4>, a Rocking Chair key <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RgqYGls_uB4>, a CW gun <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=k05eM2xMn0c> (this has potential), a Cheese Slicer key <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7DUZ6IrxmSc>, and even a Rotary dial phone CW key <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9_whymHQWoU>. Listen for OH6DC in the Straight Key Night! (Thanks, Mark K6UFO)

If you think contesters are nuts, how about this woodpecker who found a great place to stash acorns <http://www.dump.com/2011/05/20/woodpecker-fills-antenna-with-acorns-video>?

==> RESULTS AND RECORDS

The 2010 ARRL 10 Meter and 2011 January VHF QSO Party results are now online <http://www.arrl.org/contest-results-articles>. The ARRL Contest Branch extends its thanks to retiring 10 Meter Contest author Ken WM5R who is a new father and will need to devote more time to his junior operator. ARRL Contest Branch Manager, Sean KX9X notes, "I'm seeing several log submissions for the ARRL June VHF QSO Party that [were submitted in] the Single Operator category, but claim the use of spotting assistance. As a reminder, the use of spotting assistance (packet cluster, DX Summit, Internet chat rooms, etc) places you in a Multioperator category: If you operated on four or fewer bands, you can enter Limited Multioperator; if you operated on five or more bands, you should enter the Multioperator category. If you used spotting assistance during the weekend and submitted as a Single Operator, please resubmit your log in the correct category."

The Seventh District QSO Party <http://7qp.org/> (7QP) results have been turned around with the customary blazing speed this group exhibits every year. Click the "2011 Results" tab for the complete story. (Thanks, 7QP Contest Manager, Dick K4XU/N7XU)

WRTC2014 <http://wrtc2014.org> Chairman, Doug K1DG notes, "We have been receiving questions about the Team Selection process lately via email at the info@wrtc2014.org address. Please send questions on that subject to selection@wrtc2014.org." In addition, Mark K6UFO sent a pointer to Marek SQ2GXO's WRTC2014 operator comparison website <http://wrtc-rank.com/> based on claimed results. Marek encourages you to report any bugs or problems.

The Claimed Scores for the ARI DX Contest are now published on the Log Received Page - from the ARI home page, <http://www.ari.it/> click "Log Received". The ARI team wishes to thank Dave, KM3T and kkn.net for support. (Thanks, ARI HF Contest Manager, Bob, I2WIJ)

OPERATING TIP

Although one's state is not part of most VHF contest exchanges, there are many operators chasing state-level awards such as Worked All States who want to know your state along with the grid. Rather than add state to the exchange, why not add it to your CQ? For example, "CQ contest

from W5ZN in EM45, Arkansas." You may pull in a few more callers that way! (Thanks, Bennie K5KV)

==> TECHNICAL TOPICS AND INFORMATION

Trying to keep a straight path when deploying a Beverage antenna in heavy brush or undergrowth (see this blog by N2NL/KH2 <http://www.n2nl.net/?p=375> for an idea of the problem) is a lot easier with My Tracks <https://market.android.com/details?id=com.google.android.maps.mytracks&feature=search_result>, a free Android phone GPS app. (Thanks, Jos&#65533; CT1BOH)

Recent solar activity predictions have been dismaying to fans of 15 meters and up (while the low-band ops have been secretly cackling with glee). The most recent ARRL Propagation Bulletin ARLP024 <http://www.arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation> contains a host of links about the reports and dissenting opinions. In the meantime, just get on the air and make contacts anyway!

Dave N3XUD enthusiastically endorses WinGrid <http://www.keplerian.com/> by W4SM as a great grid square tool. The free program calculates grid squares from latitudes and longitudes, the reverse, and calculates distances and headings from two sets of lat/long or grid squares. There are a number of other useful programs there, as well.

Knot-knot! Who's there? Alan K2ACK and his collection of Wikipedia links for useful rope tricks; the Figure Eight Loop <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Figure-eight_loop> and the Figure Eight knot <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Figure-eight_knot>, the Double Bowline <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Double_bowline> (that poor rabbit must be going nuts), and the Butterfly <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Butterfly_knot>.

So you finally bought that neat coax connector crimping tool and die set. But which to use for which connector? Here is a size chart <http://www.rfparts.com/picts/1505_chart.jpg> that might be of help in selecting the right crimper die for the right RF connector. There are also standard die sets on the RF Parts <http://www.rfparts.com/coax_accessories.html> and Tessco <http://www.tessco.com/products/displayProducts.do?groupId=576&subgroupId=40> websites. (Thanks, Bert VE3NR and Les W2LK)

Bill N5AB reports success in using an old-fashioned screen door spring at one end of an antenna wire, where the support rope meets the tree, to provide some flex for a wire antenna. He uses a length of rope between the antenna and the metal spring to prevent any undesired coupling between the two.

If you are designed an amplifier power supply, you might want to check out the PSU Designer Software <http://www.duncanamps.com/psud2/download.html> from Duncan Amplifiers. This will help insure that you've included all of the important factors

that affect supply performance. There are some high voltage supply design examples <http://www.ifwtech.co.uk/g3sek/in-prac/best-of.htm#psud> from G3SEK available, too!

Paul NA5N has a lot of excellent parts and building information on his website <http://www.aoc.nrao.edu/%7Epharden/hobby/Hobby.shtml>. When he's not hamming, he works at the National Radio Astronomy Observatory doing some REAL DXing!

Roger K8RI is building some adapter plates <http://www.rogerhalstead.com/ham_files/Adapter.htm> to mount Yaesu thrust bearings, which are metric, to Rohn 25 accessory shelves, which are not metric. This process is fairly easy to adapt to other similar needs.

Technical Web Site of the Week - From time to time someone poses the question as to why coax cables are mostly manufactured in either 75 or 50 ohm characteristic impedances. This article from Microwaves 101 <http://www.microwaves101.com/encyclopedia/why50ohms.cfm> nicely explains why, with both math and graphs. (Thanks, Fred WA7TZY)

==> CONVERSATION

Caught A Fish!

In the recent ARRL June VHF QSO Party, a special event occurred as Mark KM0A completed his Fred Fish Memorial Award <http://www.arrl.org/ffma> (FFMA), working his "last two" grid squares during the contest! This is only the fourth FFMA and quite an achievement! If you've ever been someone's "last state" or "last zone" or "last county", you know it can be almost as much fun on the other end. Here to tell you about it from the rover's perspective are Barry KS7DX and Dennis K7BV and their friend, Ken, who went to great lengths to put CM93 (almost entirely water) on the air - it was quite an adventure!

73, Ward N0AX

Firstly I'd like to thank all the folks that sent Dennis and I notes thanking us for doing the trip. It was an adventure to say the least and we were very happy to hand out the grid to so many people who needed it for FFMA. Hearing Mark KM0A calling early Saturday morning, giving him the grid and then hearing him say it was the last one he needed had to be the highlight of the whole trip. When we left on Wednesday he needed two and to find out we gave him the last was just unbelievable!

We arrived at Santa Rosa (in California's Channel Islands, grid CM93) on Thursday and proceeded to setup the stations and get the 6M7JHV 7-element Yagi antenna installed. Once it was installed we determined very quickly that it wasn't going to be very good. It was moving around a lot with the rolling of the boat and the constant wind so we took it back down and replaced it with our spare 3-element Yagi. Even that was

moving around a lot but with its wider pattern and shorter boom it was easier to move as the boat changed position. And the boat changed position a lot! We'd no sooner get the antenna pointing east and the boat would swing on the anchor and all of a sudden the antenna was pointing west or some other oddball direction! The winds and currents didn't do us any favors. Combine those factors with QSB on the band and you begin to understand why we were loud one minute and gone the next!

Once we had the 3-element up I started to check things out, set levels etc. and in doing so I started calling Jim KS7S on meteor scatter. As soon as the 1st TX sequence ended (using the WSJT software package - Ed.) and I was back in receive I heard Bruce KI7JA calling me! I immediately answered him and the pileup started! There were 3 or 4 stations at a time calling so as fast as I'd work one I had another ready to go. Looking at the log I was averaging 1 station every 5 minutes for the first hour. Not a great run-rate for SSB/CW but not too bad for meteor scatter. I quit shortly after that and Dennis took over mainly on CW for the rest of the evening.

Friday morning was again very good for meteor scatter and I added more to the log before Dennis took over on SSB and CW. Friday turned out to be our best day during the whole trip in terms of contacts. The band stayed open until well after midnight with lots of double hop to the east coast. When the band would start to dry up Dennis would switch to beacon mode and eventually someone new would call. What become abundant clear was that the majority of signals we were hearing came from stations with stacked arrays and power. And there we sat with a lowly 3-element waving in the breeze!

Saturday morning of course was the red-letter day with Mark KM0A being the first is the log on SSB. The opening was short lived into Missouri but I switched to ISCAT and worked a few in that mode with some SSB and FSK in between. Running WSJT V7 on FSK and V9 on ISCAT meant I could switch between modes quickly and that helped with the short openings. My last digital contact was with Doug VE5UF. After that I went to SSB and got ready to start the contest. Once the contest started it was tough to hold our frequency with so much activity. I had no way of knowing how great the Es openings were except by what I was working and what I heard other stations working. I ended up having to do S&P to be able to work anyone. Being called by some VE3's and some W1 and W2 stations was very cool though. Dennis took over on CW around 0045Z but found the band starting to fade for us. The weather had been deteriorating all day and according to NOAA wasn't going to get any better through the night. With the band conditions not great we decided to take a break and have supper and see how band conditions were later on. We never got the chance!

We had no sooner started to eat supper when the weather really turned on us. The anchor was holding but the seas were getting rougher and the winds were increasing badly. In fact the boat was rising and falling so much that the anchor chain would occasionally whip and jump the cogs in

the windlass. The latest NOAA weather forecast wasn't encouraging with forecasted winds gusting over 50 mph and seas running 8 to 11 feet. We decided rather quickly to, as the saying goes, get the heck out of Dodge!

Getting the anchor up and stowed took more time and effort than any of us thought it would take. After several attempts and a frustrating moment when it jumped its guide and had to be levered back into place it was finally stowed safely and we began heading for cover. By now it was 9:15 PM and too dark to find another anchorage so with the wind pushing us east we decided to head for Oxnard, CA. Finally we got behind the seawall of the Channel Island Harbor and a pilot boat came and directed us into a temporary slip for what was left of the night. It was now 4:30 AM. We over-nighted there Sunday and headed for home Monday morning. After stopping for fuel at Long Beach we finally made it back to Seal Beach around 5 PM.

Other than the weather and lack of propagation at times it was good trip and there are 300 or so folks that no longer need CM93. I've posted some pictures of the trip on Picasaweb <https://picasaweb.google.com/VE3CDX/GridCM93xwJune2011> - clicking a photo will make it bigger. Enjoy!

Very 73, Barry KS7DX, Dennis K7BV and Ken

==> CONTESTS

22 June through 5 July

An expanded, downloadable version of QST's Contest Corral in PDF format <http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar> is available. Check the sponsor's Web site for information on operating time restrictions and other instructions.

HF CONTESTS

ARRL Field Day--Phone,CW,Digital, from Jun 25, 1800Z to Jun 26, 2100Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50+. Exchange: Category, ARRL/RAC section or DX. Logs due: Jul 27. Rules <http://www.arrl.org/contests>

QRP ARCI Milliwatt Field Day--Phone,CW,Digital, from Jun 25, 1800Z to Jun 26, 2100Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50+. Exchange: Category, ARRL/RAC section or DX. Logs due: Jul 27. Rules <http://www.qrparci.org/content/view/1518/118/>

NAQCC Milliwatt Sprint--CW, from Jun 22, 0030Z to Jun 22, 0230Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Frequencies: Monthly on 2nd Tuesday or 3rd Wednesday (alternating). Exchange: RST, S/P/C, and NAQCC mbr nr or power. Logs due: 4 days. Rules <http://naqcc.info/>

SARL Top Band QSO Party--Phone,CW, from Jun 23, 0000Z to Jun 27, 0000Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8. Exchange: RS(T) and province or country. Logs due: 7 days. Rules <http://www.sarl.org.za/>

His Majesty King of Spain--Phone, from Jun 25, 1200Z to Jun 26, 1200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RS, serial or EA province. Logs due: Jul 15. Rules <http://www.ure.es/>

Marconi Memorial HF Contest--CW, from Jun 25, 1400Z to Jun 26, 1400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RST and serial number. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.arifano.it/contest_marconi.htm>

Canada Day Contest--Phone,CW, from Jul 1, 0000Z to Jul 1, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50-144. Exchange: RS(T), Province/Territory or serial. Logs due: Jul 31. Rules <http://www.rac.ca/service/contesting>

070 Club Firecracker PSK31 Sprint--Digital, from Jul 2, 8 PM to Jul 3, 2 AM. Bands (MHz): 7. Exchange: RST and S/P/C. Logs due: Aug 2. Rules <http://www.podxs070.com/>

Venezuelan Indep Day Contest--Phone,CW, from Jul 2, 0000Z to Jul 3, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RS(T) and serial. Logs due: Aug 31. Rules <http://www.radioclubvenezolano.org/concurso.htm>

DL DX RTTY Contest--Digital, from Jul 2, 1100Z to Jul 3, 1059Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST and serial. Logs due: Aug 10. Rules <http://www.drcg.de/>

DARC 10-Meter Digital Corona--Digital, from Jul 3, 1100Z to Jul 3, 1700Z. Bands (MHz): 28. Exchange: RST, serial. Logs due: 14 days. Rules <http://www.darc.de/ukw-funksport>

Ten-Ten Spirit of 76 QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Jul 4, 0000Z to Jul 10, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 28. Exchange: Call, name, member number, S/P/C. Logs due: 15 days. Rules <http://www.ten-ten.org/oseason/oseason.html>

MI QRP July 4th Sprint--CW, from Jul 4, 2300Z to Jul 5, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, and QRPMI number or power. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.miqrp.org/>

VHF+ CONTESTS

ARRL Field Day--Phone,CW,Digital, from Jun 25, 1800Z to Jun 26, 2100Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50+. Exchange: Category, ARRL/RAC section or DX. Logs due: Jul 27. Rules <http://www.arrl.org/contests>

QRP ARCI Milliwatt Field Day--Phone,CW,Digital, from Jun 25, 1800Z to Jun 26, 2100Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50+. Exchange: Category, ARRL/RAC section or DX. Logs due: Jul 27. Rules <http://www.qrparci.org/content/view/1518/118/>

Canada Day Contest--Phone,CW, from Jul 1, 0000Z to Jul 1, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50-144. Exchange: RS(T), Province/Territory or serial. Logs due: Jul 31. Rules <http://www.rac.ca/service/contesting>

MI QRP July 4th Sprint--CW, from Jul 4, 2300Z to Jul 5, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, and QRPMI number or power. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.miqrp.org/>

==> LOG DUE DATES

22 June through 5 July

June 20 - 10-10 Int. Open Season PSK Contest
<http://www.ten-ten.org/oseason/oseason.html>

June 21 - RSGB National Field Day
<http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2011/rnfd.shtml>

June 22 - UA2 QSO Party <http://www.qrz.ru/contest/detail/382.html>

June 22 - RSGB 80m Club Championship, CW
<http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2011/r80mcc.shtml>

June 23 - UN DX Contest <http://kw.cqun.kz/undxc-2011eng.html>

June 23 - SARL Youth Day Sprint
<http://www.sarl.org.za/public/contests/SARL_2011_Contest%20Manual_issue_9.pdf>

June 26 - Run for the Bacon QRP Contest <http://www.fpqrp.org/pigrun/>

June 27 - CQ WW WPX Contest, CW <http://www.cqwpx.com/rules.htm>

June 28 - MI QRP Memorial Day CW Sprint
<http://www.qsl.net/miqrpclub/contest.html>

June 30 - EUCW Fraternizing CW QSO Party
<http://www.agcw.org/eucw/eucwp.html>

June 30 - VOLTA WW RTTY Contest
<http://www.contestvolta.com/volta45th.pdf>

July 1 - SBMS 2 GHz and Up WW Club Contest
<http://www.ham-radio.com/sbms/2011_2ghz-up_test.pdf>

July 1 - Baltic Contest
<http://www.lrsf.lt/bcontest/english/rules_html.htm>

July 1 - Feld Hell Sprint
<http://sites.google.com/site/feldhellclub/Home/contests>

July 1 - UKSMG Summer Contest <http://www.uksmg.org/page.php?5>

July 1 - VK Shires Contest <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/vkshires/>

July 3 - Alabama QSO Party
<http://www.alabamaqsoparty.org/2011/2011Rules.pdf>

July 4 - AGCW VHF/UHF Contest
<http://www.agcw.org/en/?Contests:VHF-UHF_Contest>

July 4 - Maritimes QSO Party
<http://www.maritimecontestclub.com/images/MCC_QSO_Party_rev_15b.pdf>

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593. MMMonVHF Newsletter 2011-06-22

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Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our lastet NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2011-06-22
One day to early, but here holiday-trip until monday...
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter, once a week (thursday)
from now on - if any special activities will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further detail please be so kind and watch our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you vy welcome for any
input and we do hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
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** MOST WANTED SQUARES and DXCCs at MMMonVHF **

As you know the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF will be able to provide
expedition with up to date info about MOST WANTED SQUARES (MWS) and
MOST WANTED DXCCs (MWDXCC). In past year there was several changes in
the DXCC list and we did change now as well those countries in our
lists. So please be so kind and do yourself and all of us the favour
and check and update your MWS / MWDXCC standing! USE the TOOLS:
eMWS (MOST WANTED SQUARES) >>> www.mmmonvhf.de/emws.php
MWDXCC (MOST WANTED DXCC) >>> www.mmmonvhf.de/dxcc.php
SOURCE: The MMMonVHF Team

** International Exhibition for Radio Amateurs - HAM RADIO **

24 June to 26 June 2011 - Messe Friedrichshafen (JN47)!!!
The joy of communicating with people from all over the world drew
amateur radio enthusiasts from all over Europe to HAM RADIO. For
three days, the 35th annual international amateur radio exhibition
was the center of the universe for 16,800 visitors. 185 exhibitioners
from 29 countries exhibited their products. Read more at:
http://www.hamradio-friedrichshafen.de/ham-en/index.php
Several people of the MMMonVHF Team will as well be there and ready
for your comments and critics... SOURCE: The MMMonVHF Team

** Joe, K1RQG Silent Key **

Just heard from Joe K5SO and yes we have lost one of our finest EME
people Joe K1RQG. For us that know Joe I can only say I am sorry for
the great lost 73 Joe God has taken one of the best. SOURCE: Ed WA3BZT
The Team of MMMonVHF will pass our deep sympathy and condolences
to his family. Rest in peace, Joe! SOURCE: The MMMonVHF Team

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
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** DXCC: PJ7 ; Square: FK88 ; Start: 2011-06-25 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3407

LATEST NEWS from Mike, K6MYC, dated 2011-06-21: PJ7EME IS THE 2M CALL
AND GHT EGRID IS FK88kb. I WILL BE STARTING NO LATER THATN MY MOONRISE
ON JUNE 26 AND PROBABLY RUNNING 1ST ON 144.125. WE SHOULD HAVE
INTERNET. I WILL BE RUNNING TWO 2MXP20 DUAL POLARITY YAGIS AND A NE
M2 2MHCP PREAMP. THE RIG IS A FT 857 AND WILL BE DRIVING OUR NEW 1K2
2M KW. WE HAVE ASKED FOR 500W PERMIT BUT IT HAS NOT BEEN GRANTED YET.
I TESTET THE FULL STATION OVER THE WEEKEND AND MADE 4 QSO. WITH VERY
LOW ACTIVITY. WAS HEARD BY A DL SINGLE 13 ELEMENT YAGI STATION AT
-26 AND HAD AUDIBLE SIGS FROM ALL THE 4 YAGIS STATIONS WORKED. I WILL
BE ON JULY 3 BUT THAT IS THE LAST DAY AS WE LEAVE EARLY ON JULY 4.
JIMMY (W6JKV) WILL BE ON 6M USING PJ76 WE MAY TRY SOME EME ON 6M AS
WELL BUT WILL BE CONCENTRATING ON TERRESTRIAL.
SOURCE: Mike, K6MYC, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: CU ; Square: HM77 ; Start: 2011-06-29 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3784

LATEST NEWS from Joachim, DL9MS, dated 2011-06-15: The Call of the
expedition "CR2EME" is now confirmed. QSL will be via DL9MS! The
Team will start around 24th direction CU from Hamburg...
SOURCE: tnx to DL9MS, direct to MMMonVHF

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** 2011 Six Meter Expedition to Saba Island ï¿½ PJ6D **

LATEST NEWS from Dick, K5AND, dated 2011-06-18: Folks... Our call was
just now issued, so we're pretty much all set for our six meter trip
to begin next week on the 22nd. Please see www.dkhanson.com/pj6 for
details, updates, on-line log, LOTW etc. George will also be on HF.
73 - SOURCE: Pat, W5OZI George, K5TR Dick, K5AND via VHF-Reflector

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** DXpedition SOUTH SUDAN 2011 **

Welcome to SOUTHERN SUDAN 2011 DXpedition web site, where we'll give
you more information about our DXpedition. The Intrepid-DX Group and
the DX Friends have combined efforts to planning a multi-national
DXpedition to Southern Sudan to celebrate the birth of a new country.
it will take place over twenty days in july, 2011. All News:
http://www.dxfriends.com/SouthernSudan2011/
SOURCE: Info via RIO-DX-GROUP

** News From the K5N Team **

Hello to everyone....Danny-N5OMG lives in New Orleans very close to
EL58. Recently, he enlisted the aid of a boat captain that has over
50 years experience in those waters. Danny asked the captain to go
down to Burwood Island in EL58 and check it out for us. Danny wanted
an "eyes on" report so that we can decide what to do. The captain
came back and gave us the following information:
1)Most of the island where you need to be is under water,
2)The rest of the island is covered with mud(deposited by the
flooding river), and
3)The safe anchor area that we had for the boats has been washed away
The captain estimated that it would be at least 4 weeks until the
flood has gone down enough to reveal our operating spot and that even
if the operating spot was out of the water, it will still be covered
in mud. It is going to take a year or more of rains to wash the mud
off the island and reveal our operating area as a sandy beach.
These facts are not very nice. The team had a conference call and
we "cussed and discussed" the situation. Most reluctantly, we all
agreed that we will have to cancel EL58 for 2011. All of us wanted
to go to EL58-none of use wanted to cancel. However, we just cannot
cope with "under water" or "under mud" and no place to safely park
the boats. We are already planning / scheming for 2012. We are
looking at another exotic location....I am pulling for Tahiti....
others have reminded me that the South Pacific has no grids in FFMA.
SOURCE: Team K5N via VHF Reflector

** Castle of Piel, WW Loc IO64JB, on Air **

Artur M0PLK/p, Craig M6CAC/p, Jack M/SP7DPJ and Blazej (SWL) will be
active on the 24-26th June 2011 from the Castle of Piel (WCA G-00151
CASHOTA G151, WAB SD26, WW Loc IO64JB), located on Piel Island
(www.pielisland.co.uk/), Cumbria. They plan to work on 80 - 10 and
2 metres using CW/SSB and digital modes. QSL via their home callsigns
direct or bureau. SOURCE: [RN1CW] via ICPO Bulletin

** Special Call N4I from Core Banks Barrier Island qrv **

Eric W4OTN, Amanda KI4IWS, Robin WA4WPD, Bill KG4CXY (FISTS #7651), John KE4TZN and David KI4BKC will be active as N4I from Core Banks Barrier Island (IOTA NA-067, USi NC033S, WLOTA 0596), Pamlico County, North Carolina, between 29th July and the 1st of August 2011, including an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (30-31st July). Outside the contest they will be QRV on 80-10m CW and SSB. Operation on 6m and satellites is being planned as well. QSL W4OTN via the bureau or direct (QRZ.com). SOURCE: [rsgbiota.org] via ICPO Bulletin

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** Activity on HF and 50 MHz from EI **

Martin G3ZAY, Dominic M0BLF and Tom M0TOC will be active as EJ/homecalls from the Aran Islands (EU-006) on 24-26 June, and from Inishbofin Island (EU-121) on 27-28 June. They will operate SSB and CW on the HF bands, but thwy will also check 6 metres.
SOURCE: 425 DX News #1050

** TY - Benin - qrv HF and 50 MHz **

A group of operators are planning to activate Grand Popo, Benin, between August 5-14th. They have the licenses in their hands and all the other permissions to enter and operate. Callsign will be TY1KS. Operators mentioned are Salvador/EA3QS, Giorgio/IZ4AKS, Fabri/ IW3SQY Francesco/IZ8GCE and Antonello/IT9YVO. Their DXpedition experiences are: 1A3A, 1A4A, 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 5R8KS, C31CT, E44M, HV5PUL, T70A, T70DXC, UK8AXA and others locations. Activity will be on all HF bands and 6 meters, using 3 three Elecraft K3s, and two Elecraft KPA500 new solid state amplifier. Due to the high demand for this country, the focus will be on the lower bands and the Digital modes, but also SSB and the higher band will be well worked especially during the TEP openings. QSL via IZ8IYX or by the OQRS (for direct/Bureau) and LoTW Their Web site is still under construction, but you can still preview it at: http://www.dxcoffee.com/ty1ks The group is looking for sponsors for this DXpedition. Details for funding this operation are available on their Web page. SOURCE: Sixitalia Weekly Info Page; June 14 - 20

** 6-11 July 2011 TF/VE2XAA By VE2XAA; 160-6m **

TF/VE2XAA will be qrv CW SSB RTTY; QRV in IARU
contest as TF4X. QSL for TF/VE2XAA via home call, TF4X via G3SWH.
SOURCE: Sergey, UT3UA via Bill/NG3G DX-News

** Howard WB4WXE return to St. Lucia / FK93 **

Howard, WB4WXE will be active as J68HS from St.Lucia (NA-108) from 25 June to 15 July. He will concentrate on 6 metres and, when that band is quiet, on 12, 17, 40 and 160 metres. QSL via homecall.

SOURCE: [TNX The Daily DX] via 425 DX News #1050

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** Many thanks to all our USER who did send us info and News **

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info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
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Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
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594. [DXNL] DXNL 1733 (Jun 22, 2011)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-06-22 18:33:54 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <188168251542.20110622202806@dxhf.darc.de>
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J6 - ST LUCIA, NA-108
Howard,WB4WXE, will stay on St. Lucia (NA-108) from Jun 25 till Jul 15.
He wants to become QRV as J68HS mainly on 6m. If conditions are bad
there you can find him also on 12m, 17m, 40m or 160m. QSL via homecall.

KH0 - NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS, OC-086
AH0CE (JE3NRO), KH0K (JE4SMQ), KH0UY (JO3FRH), KH0/KC2ZSG (JA3AQW),
KH0XD (JO3RKP), and WH0/WU2K (JA3TMM) will activate Saipan (OC-086)
in CW, SSB and digital modes on 80m-6m from Jun 24-26.
QSLs via JARL bureau or direct to their homecalls.

PJ2 - CURACAO, SA-099
Hawa,PJ2/DK9KX, Dieter,PJ2/DJ9ON, and Jan,PJ2/DJ8NK, will show up from
Curacao (SA-099, WLOTA LH-0942) between Jun 26 and Jul 7. Emphasis will
be put on 6m, but they will work in CW/SSB/RTTY also on other bands.
QSL cards should be sent to the appropriate homecalls.

PJ6 - SABA, NA-145
George,K5TR, Dick,K5AND, and Pat,W5OZI, will be active as PJ6D on 6m
from Saba (NA-145) from Jun 22 until Jul 6. They plan to work in CW
on 50106 kHz and in SSB on 50118 kHz.
For updates click on their website: http://dkhanson.com/pj6
QSL cards also via LoTW should be sent to K5AND.

T6 - AFGHANISTAN
Eric,K9GY, will be QRV as T6MO from Afghanistan for at least one year.
He works with a windowm antenna on 40-10m mainly during these times:
0130-0430 UTC, 0630-0830 UTC and 1130-1730 UTC.
QSL via K9GY, direct or via LoTW.

T8 - PALAU, OC-009
Taka,JF1BVG (T88ZA), Toshi,JP1IOF (T80T), and Toshi,JE1SYN (T8YN), are
going to hit the airwaves from Koror Island (OC-009) from Jun 24-27.

They plan to work with two stations in SSB, CW, FM, RTTY and PSK31 on
80m-6m. QSL cards should be sent to the appropriate homecalls.

ZD7 - ST HELENA, AF-022
Nigel,G3TXF, plans an activity from St. Helena (AF-022) signing ZD7XF
from Jun 22-30 when he is visiting Barrie, ZD7MY. A usual, Nigel works
only in CW on 160m-6m. QSLs via G3TXF, via bureau, direct or LoTW.
More information can be found on his homepage:
http://www.g3txf.com/dxtrip/ZD7XF/ZD7.html

9M8 - EAST MALAYSIA, OC-165
Some members of the "Amateur Radio Club Sarawak" are going to activate
Talang Talang Besar (Sarawak's Coastal Islands, OC-165) on Jun 25/26.
They will work as 9M8RC in CW and SSB on 80m-10m. QSL direct via 9M8MA.

GREECE, SPECIAL EVENT STATION
The "Special Olympics World Summer Games" will take place in Athens
from Jun 25 until Jul 4. The "Special Olympics" are the games for
People with intellectual disabilities. 7500 athlets from 180 countries
are expected to come to the Greek capital Athens.
SV0XAJ, SV0XAO, SV0XBA, SV0XBJ, SV2DCD, SV2GNC, SV2GWY, SV3DCX and
SV7JAR will activate the special event staion SX0A in CW, SSB and
digital modes on 160m-4m. QSLs via bureau, direct or eQSL to SV2GWY.
Moreover all Greek HAMs may use the special prefix SY2011.
More information about this and a special award can be found on their
website: http://sx0a.blogspot.com

POLAND, SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS
The European Basketball Championship of 2011 of the women, universally
referred to as EuroBasket Women 2011, will be the 33rd continental
championship taking place in Poland between Jun 18 and Jul 3.
The special event stations HF2011L (Lodz), HF2011B (Bydgoszcz) and
HF2011K (Katowice) will be QRV from the venues of this championship
from Jun 15 until Jul 15. A special award will be issued and can be
applied for with a fee of 10 EUR. The rules of the "Amateur Radio Award
EuroBasket Women 2011" can be found at: http://www.qrz.com/db/hf2011b
The QSL routes of the special event stations are listed below.

HF800Z will be on their air during the 800th anniversary of the city
of Zlotoryja until Jun 30. QSLs via bureau to SP6CES.
For more information click on: http://www.zlotoryja.pl/800-lecie

SILENT KEYS: Unfortunately Pierre,HB9QQ, passed away his key on Jun 11, at
the age of 80. Pierre was a pioneer in many fields. Other DXers who put
away their key forever were: Dennis C. Morris (K4ZJ),
Merlin D. Anderson (K8EFS), Mikhail A. Kudryashov (RA4CQ),
Sergey K. Rostenko (RJ3AR), Douglas E. Westover (W6JD),
Colin Hall (ZL3AFZ) and R.L. Pluck (ZL3PD)

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de
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The special event station AT8VTM will be active during the "10th Inter-
national Museum Weekend 2011" from the "Visvesvaraya Industrial and
Technology Museum" in Bangalore until Jun 27.
For more information click on: http://www.vismuseum.org.in

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Jun 25/26: World Castles Weekend (see: http://www.wcagroup.org)
Jun 25/26: Ukrainian DX DIGI Contest
Jun 25/26: King of Spain Contest

IOTA collected by Ric,DL2VFR (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
EU-006, EI, Arran Islands: EJ/G3ZAY, Dominic,EJ/M0BLF, and Tom,EJ/M0TOC will
be QRV from Arran in CW and SSB on all bands from Jun 24-26.
QSLs via homecalls (bureau/direct).

EU-008, GM, Inner Hebrides: A group of four is going to become active from
Islay between Jun 25 and Jul 1. They will sign GM0HIK on 50 MHz and
above on VHF up to 70cm. GM3IZD will be their callsign in HF.
QSL via G0HIK and G3IZD respectively (bureau/direct).

EU-028, I, Toscana Region group: IA5/IK2MLS will spend his holidays on the
island of Elba from Jun 26 until Jul 2 and wants to be QRV on 40m-10m.
QSL via homecall (bureau/direct).

EU-121, EI, Irish Coastal Islands: After staying on Arran EJ/G3ZAY,
EJ/M0BLF and EJ/M0TOC will be QRV also from Inishbofin on Jun 27/28.
QSL via homecall (bureau/direct).

EU-124, GW, Welsh Coastal Islands: MW0IDX/p will be QRV from Puffin mainly
in SSB on 20m only on Jun 27. He will take the kayak to the island,
so operation depends also on the weather. QSL direct or via bureau.

EU-158, SV, Peloponnisos Region group: Between Jun 25 and Jul 16 SV3/DJ5RT/p
will be active with QRP and vertical on 20m partly from Schiza Island,
but mostly from Sapientza Island. QSL direct via DJ5RT.
See also: http://www.qrz.com/db/dj5rt

SOUTH PACIFIC: These are the preliminary plans of F6CTL's South Pacific trip
Island IOTA Date DXCC

Ua Pou OC-027 Jun 19-22 Marquesas Islands
Ua Huka OC-027 Jun 22-26 Marquesas Islands
Raita OC-067 Jun 27-29 French Polynesia
Bora Bora OC-067 Jun 30-Jul 3 French Polynesia
Rangiroa OC-066 Jul 3-7 French Polynesia
Tahiti OC-046 Jul 7-10 French Polynesia
Rimatara OC-050 Jul 11-14 Austral Islands

Bandspots of the last 7 days

40m
EC2AMN/p 7.105 1102Z SOTA BI-022
MJ/EA1SA 7.012 0609Z via EA1SA (B), (L)

30m
DL2RU/p 10.120 0548Z EU-129
DL2RVL/p 10.119 1711Z EU-129, FF-75, (B)
EM44U 10.114 1400Z URFF-052, via UT7UT
ER44WFF 10.105 1544Z ERFF-012, via ER1RR (B)
F/DJ2VO 10.104 0902Z EU-070, via DJ1VO (B)
LZ1GC/p 10.118 1402Z LZFF-064
MS0INT 10.120 0628Z EU-118, via M0URX (B)
UA4ATL/FF 10.116 1758Z RFF-179, (B)
US4LGW/p 10.116 1730Z URFF-061, (B)
UT9IL/p 10.104 1743Z URFF-025
YN2GA 10.116 0414Z via W5GAI
ZL1ALZ 10.102 0336Z (L)

20m
A71CM 14.008 1620Z
DG2MEL/p 14.200 0932Z EU-042
DL2RU/p 14.040 0646Z EU-129
F/DL6KR 14.244 0857Z EU-070, FF-241
F/DL6KR/p 14.032 2149Z EU-070, FF-241
MM/EI6DX 14.013 0543Z EU-010, via RX3RC (B)
OH0/OH2FNZ 14.237 1919Z EU-002
RQ5D/6 14.024 1327Z RFF-279
ST2AR 14.023 0425Z S53R (B)
TM6JUN 14.012 1230Z
VP5/W5CW 14.012 0709Z via W5CW
YP1WFF 14.040 1320Z YOFF-172, via YO9WF (B)
5X1VJ 14.004 1638Z via UV5EVJ (d)

17m
F/DH2KI 18.135 0855Z EU-070, FF-241
MS0INT 18.081 1350Z EU-118, via M0URX (B)
OJ0B 18.151 2001Z via OH2BH (B)

15m
BD8IK 21.008 1604Z via BA4EG (B)
PJ2/W8QID 21.027 1513Z
US1GCU/A 21.020 1226Z URFF-077
VU2NXM 21.008 1536Z (B)

6m
CT1HZE 50.087 2118Z via DL8HCZ (d)
EA4FL/p 50.096 2100Z
EA7AFM 50.175 1850Z
EA7AYF 50.099 1853Z
EA8/DL3GCS 50.093 0920Z via DL3GCS (B)
EA8UP 50.125 1119Z (B)

EC7DTQ 50.095 1848Z
EI0CZ 50.093 1905Z
HB9CQL 50.094 1817Z
HB9GT 50.128 1449Z
HB60LU 50.132 1449Z via HB9DWL (B), (L), eQSL

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(L) = LoTW
(r) = bureau QSL via e-mail request

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

-Dec 3Y8XSA 1700/1717
-25Oct 5B50J 1700
-Apr/12 5Z4RH ? 1674
-30Nov 8J1MORSE.. 1731
21Jun-02Jul 8Q7LR 1732
-31Dec 9A11P 1723
12Jun-22Jun 9A/DH7KU 1731
-Sep 9J2KK 1682
NOW 9M2/KM9D 1731
-10Jul 9M2/RA9LR 1727
25Jun/26Jun 9M8RC 1733 *
SOON 9Q1EK 1669
-Nov 9Q6CC 1699

-Aug A92IO 1663
24Jun-26Jun AH0CE.. 1733 *
-31Dec BP100 1684
-31Dec BV100 1684
-31Dec CW5RV 1711
-31Aug DL20Y2DM 1700
24Jun-28Jun EJ/G3ZAY.. 1733 *
-Aug FO8RZ 1636
18Jun-14Jul FO/F6CTL 1732
-Jul/12 FR8NE 1710
20Jun-03Jul FS/K9EL 1732
25Jun-02Jul GM3IZD.. 1733 *

-31Dec HB60LU 1711
15Jun-15Jul HF2011B.. 1733 *
-30Jun HF800Z 1733 *
-31Dec HG15IPA 1724
01Jan-31Dec HG200LST 1708
-30Jun HG2011A 1713
26Jun-02Jul IA5/IK2MLS 1733 *
01Jan-31Dec IA7MM 1708
01Jan-31Dec II1ITA.. 1708
01Mar-30Sep IO4UI 1717

-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul/12 J28RO 1683
17Jun-26Jun J48O 1732
25Jun-15Jul J68HS 1733 *
10Jun-15Jun JW1EOA 1731

16Jun-05Sep K1VSJ 1732
18Jun-23Jun K2EFG 1732
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
-May/12 KH4/W5FJG 1728
POSTPONED KH5 1674/1705
-31Dec LA200D 1713
-31Dec LZ85R 1721
27Jun MW0IDX/p 1733 *
20Jun-25Jun N4LA 1732
Jun NQ6K/VY0 1732
May &Aug OL100VP 1721
Jun OL1911VP 1721
Apr &Jul OL2011VP 1721

-Sep P29CW 1713
01Jan-31Dec PA30.. 1708
25Jun-07Jul PJ2/DJ8NK.. 1733 *
22Jun-06Jul PJ6D 1733 *
-Jun PP0T 1725
-Dec RI1ANC 1708
09Jul South Sudan 1731/1732
19Jun-01Jul SD1B/5 1732
01May-31Jul SQ100MSC 1725
25Jun-16Jul SV3/DJ5RT 1733 *
25Jun-04Jul SX0A 1733 *
-Jun/12 T6MO 1733 *
-Jul T6TL 1695/1727
24Jun-27Jun T88ZA.. 1733 *
18Jun-25Jun TK/IW2IGA.. 1732
09Jul/10Jul TM90LH 1727

14Jun-28Jun V25TP.. 1731
19May-Jul V31XB 1728
-Mar/12 VK0KEVc (Macq) 1700/1701
-Jun VK0M/ZL4DB/p 1725
May -Aug W3CVD/4 1726
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
NOW XT2RJA 1712
-Sep ZC4MIS 1732
22Jun-30Jun ZF7XF 1733 *
-Sep ZD9GI 1691
-31Dec ZL50GH 1711

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

A41MX via EB7DX (d)
AC2BF/KH2 via JA1OHP (B)
CS5BALG via CS0RCL
DL/LX1NO/p via LX1NO (B)
E51CGJ via IV3CGJ (B)
EA3/ON4LEX via ON4LEX
ED5W via EA5DWS (B)
EE5DWS via EA5DWS
EE5GVZ via EA5GVZ, LoTW only
EE5K via EA5KB (B)
EG1VEE via EC1AEU (B)
EG2EPC via EC2AMN (B)
EG4SEA via EA4RKF (B)
EG4SEC via EA4RKF (B)
EG4SEF via EA4RKF (B)
EG4SEO via EA4RKF (B)
EG4SEP via EA4RKF (B)
EG4SER via EA4RKF (B)
EG4SES via EA4RKF (B)
EG8DSJ via EA8RKL (d), eQSL
EH1MDC via EA1UVR (B)
EM7KAA via IK2DUW (B), (L)
ER0FEO via ER5AA (B)
F/DF3FS via DF3FS
F/DH2KI via DH2KI (B)
GB5OVE via G3VER (B), eQSL
GB8EPC via EA6SK (B)
GR6BDV via G6BDV
GR6BUT via G6BUT
GR6ENY via G6ENY
GR6INU eQSL only
GR6JEP via GM6JEP
GR6JNJ via GM6JNJ (B)
GR6JPO via GI6JPO
GR6KBC via G6KBC
GR6NKG via GW6NKG
GR6PAA via G6PAA (B), eQSL
GR6SIX via GW6SIX
GR6STK via GW6STK
GR6TMM via GJ6TMM (d)
GR6UKO via GW6UKO
GR6WRW via G6WRW
GR6ZDH via GW6ZDH
GR7AAJ via G7AAJ (B)
GR7AAJ via GM7AAJ (B)
GR7AAV via GW7AAV (B), eQSL
GR7AXB via GI7AXB (B), (L), eQSL
GR7DIE via G7DIE, eQSL
GR7EMD via G7EMD

GR7GAX via GM7GAX (L), eQSL
GR7GDE via GM7GDE
GR7GMC via GM7GMC
GR7GPL via G7GPL
GR7HHB via GM7HHB
GR7HOC via GW7HOC
GR7HUD via GM7HUD
GR7IBY via G7IBY, eQSL only
GR7KMC via GI7KMC (B), eQSL
GR7LNO via GM7LNO
GR7NAU via GW7NAU
GR7NZI via GM7NZI (B), (L)
GR7PAF via G7PAF (B), eQSL
GR7SQW via G7SQW (B)
GR7TAS via G7TAS (B), eQSL
GR7TKZ via GW7TKZ
GR7TUD via GM7TUD (B), (L)
GR7TYH via G7TYH, eQSL
GR7UNV via GW7UNV
GR7VQD via GW7VQD
GR7VRK via G7VRK (B), eQSL
GR7VSB via GM7VSB (B), (L), eQSL
GR7VTU via G7VTU
GX4HRC/A via G3SVK (B), eQSL
GX4KPT/p via M0DOL (B)
GX0SCR/p via G4APL (B)
HB0/DL1GBQ via DL1GBQ (B)
HB0/DL4ML via DL4ML (B)
HB0/DL6OLI via DL6OLI (B)
HB0/K5XK via K5XK (B)
HB9/VA7UR via UR3LTE (B)
HF25BPK via SP7PCZ (B)
HF2011B via SP2ESH (B)
HF2011K via SP9JCN (B)
HF2011L via SP7PGK (B)
HF800Z via SP6CES (B)
HG7T via HA7TM (B)
HP1/IQ6CC via IZ4SUC (B)
HS0AC via HS0ZFZ (B)
IA5/IZ5HSK via IZ5HSK (B), (L)
II1ICS via I1SAF (B)
II1IFF via IZ1POA (B), eQSL
II2S via IZ2FOS (B), (L), eQSL
II5CC via IZ4SUC (B), (L)
IQ9UM via IT9UMH (d), eQSL
IR0JCM via IK0IXI (B)
IR2Y via IK2QEI (B)
IR3W via I3FIY (B), (L)
IR4B via IK4AUY (B)
IR4M via I4IFL (B)

IR7ITA via IK7JWX (B)
IS0/IT9HUV via IT9DQM (d)
TC47TCF via TA1CM (B)
TC50BF via TA3SA (B)
TK/IW3AAD via IW3AAD (B)
TM0SGF via F6KHS (B)
TM1EPC via F6ECI (B), (L), eQSL
UN9L via LZ1YE (B)
UQ3EPC via UN2G
V25TP via W9AEB
VP2MRT via KB4CRT (B)
VP9/KF4VTT via KF4VTT (B)
XK1T via VE8EV (B)
YP2011CS via YO2LXB (B), eQSL
YP6WFF via YO6MP (B)
ZS6EPC via ZS6GRL (B), (L), eQSL
4J3DF via RW6HS (d)
9A/DJ2FR via DJ2FR
9A/IZ5LDD via IZ5LDD (L), (d), eQSL
9K2KCBB via 9K2RA (B)

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(*) = new QSL manager
(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) = e-mail request

QSLs arrived direct: EX2A, FM5CD (F5VU), JD1BMH (JG7PSJ), S9DX (DL1RTL),
E51JD, SU1SK (SM5AQD), TJ9PF (F5OGL, with label 2011),
V5/DJ2HD, VP8ORK (VE3XN), 5M2TT (I2YSB),
9Q50ON (ON4BR), 6W/PA3EWP (PA7FM)

QSLs arrived bureau: HB0/DL2OBO, JT1BV (after 4 years), JT1LU (JA7LU),
JV800CS (JT1CS), JW/OZ1IKY, JW/OZ7AM, MJ/ON7PQ,
LA4FPA/p (EU-055), MJ/EA1APV, MJ/OP9X (EU-099),
OJ0/EC3ADC, OZ/DL1AVA (EU-030), OZ/DL4VM (EU-125),
P29VEK (JA8VE), P29VJY (JA1JQY), P40W (N2MM),
PT1R (SA-079, PY1NB), PJ2/DF7ZS, RW2F (DK4VW),
SV5/ON6DSL/p, TA2/DL2JRM, TM0B (EU-074, F6ANA),
UF0A, V31RA (K9ZO), V48M (W2OX), V63RE (IT9YRE),
VP9/DL1YAF (NA-005), VY2/W7ASF (NA-029), ZS6GRL,
3DA0WW (LZ3HI), 5Z4/IZ2DPX

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F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX and others.

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595. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2011-017E RAC Field Organization- ARES adopts Mission and Vision statement.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-06-23 00:03:10 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4E0280BA.5060005@rac.ca>
Source record: 4385
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2011-017E RAC Field Organization- ARES adopts Mission
and Vision statement.
2011-06-22

After many hours of discussion by the RAC Field Organization National
Secretariat, the Vice President Field Service Council and it's
Advisers a recommendation was made to our Section Managers concerning
the text of the RAC ARES Mission and Vision statements. Approval was
granted by them, and I am pleased to present the following:

RAC/ARES Mission - "The mission of the RAC/ARES is to be an
effective partner in emergency and disaster response by providing
emergency managers and responders with radio communications expertise,
capability and capacity, supplied by qualified and credentialed ARES
volunteer radio communicators."

RAC/ARES Vision - "To be valued* *for our knowledge and expertise in
radio communication by the organizations that we serve."

I believe that these statements reflect who we are and who we aspire
to be. I would like to thank each of you who gave freely of your
personal time and imagination in achieving this important milestone.

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596. Re: DOES ALLAH CREATE US IN VAIN? ???????????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-06-23 23:25:32 UTC
From: Anon <anon@anon>
Message-ID: <4pt7i7.om9.19.1@news.alt.net>
Source record: 4386

"UberJacker" <nohijack@houston-hunks.com> wrote in message
news:c98b668b-aab2-48ce-a3c4-9ae43f88690d@j14g2000prn.googlegroups.com...
> "CV" posts straight from Jordan. Good thing for you, Mark, because he
> doesn't like your thread jacking attempts at all.

Everybody makes a mistake now and then, even the mythical Allah.
Just look at Mark....

597. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-06-24 00:57:33 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <ef6a878f-90cd-478e-a18b-e304018122cc@c20g2000vbv.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4387

On Jun 23, 7:25 pm, "Anon" <anon@anon> wrote:
> "UberJacker" <

598. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1767 - June 24 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-06-24 09:00:20 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20110624090004.0C0F033C5F@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4388
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1767 - June 24 2011

Please note that this is an extended Newsline report running 30 minutes, 37 seconds and contains three breaks.

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1767 with a release date of Friday, June 24 2011 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Ham radio aids residents and firefighters as the giant Willow fire ravages parts of Arizona and New Mexico; a new ham radio emergency group emerges on Facebook, New York State enacts anti pirate radio law, ham radio does have a presence on the FCC's Technology Advisory Council after all and the ARRL holds a Riley good national convention in Plano, Texas. Find out what we mean on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1767 coming your way right now.

(Billboard Cart Here)

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RESCUE RADIO: HAM RADIO ASSISTANCE IN THE GIANT WILLOW WILDFIRE

The Willow fire, roaring through eastern Arizona since May 29th, burned across the state line into New Mexico last week. Norm Seeley, KI7UP, is in Scottsdale, Arizona, with what we know about ham radios contribution to the rescue and relief efforts:

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According to a June 19th news release from Charlie Christmann, K5CEC, who is an ARRL Public Information Officer in New Mexico, evacuation orders for the town of Luna were put into effect as the fire threatened homes there. He notes that amateur radio operators are near the fire lines are providing updates to the State Emergency Operations Center via the MegaLink repeater system. MegaLink is a wide coverage intertied network of 21 repeaters owned and maintained by Paul Choc, WA5IHL.

Christmann says that the New Mexico command center is in the town of Reserve. That's about 20 miles southeast of Luna. He notes that Larry Bliemeyer, KE5VGM, the Communications Leader from Dona Ana County, Michael Scales K5SCA, his counterpart from Sandoval County and Jeff Crum, KB5SFV, who is a New Mexico Department of Homeland Security Emergency Manager are providing updates from the fire. Don Scott, N5UJT, another Department of Homeland Security Emergency Manager, is in the Santa Fe State Emergency Operations Center helping to coordinating

state resources.

Other hams are monitoring the fire information in case additional assistance is needed. These include David Thomas, KF5HSY in Sandoval County; Gary Surad, K5BIQ, in Bernalillo County, and Brad Sacca, KC5SKE, in Dona Ana County. They are backed up by numerous other radio amateurs across New Mexico who are reportedly available should additional evacuations be ordered or more communications resources be needed.

Meantime, from Tucson, Arizona, Keith Woody, WA1B, reports via QRZ.com that the fire in his area has been burning for the better part of two weeks. According to his posting there are hams monitoring the Eastern Arizona Amateur Radio Society or EAARS system nearly 24 hours a day. Messages have been passed in and out of the affected area and will likely continue for the next few weeks.

According to Woody, reports of the fire jumping roads and power outages as well as health and welfare messages have and are being passed. He notes that at the time of his posting that there were at least 3 active hams within three miles of the active fire line.

WA1B says that the command center has message forms and all contact information for radio amateurs who are available but that hams are being treated just like other folks when it comes to evacuation notices.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP, in Scottsdale, Arizona.

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With 20 to 30 mph sustained winds, gusts of 40 to 50 mph, and relative humidity in the single digits, the half-million acre fire easily jumps its containment lines. And even though some percentage of it has been contained, nobody can say for certain how big it will grow before it finally is brought under control. More on this story in future Amateur Radio Newsline reports. (K5CEC, WA1B via QRZ.com, published news reports)

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RESCUE RADIO: NEW EMERGENCY SERVICES DX GROUP ON FACEBOOK

A new amateur radio group has been formed for hams who are also members of one of the various emergency services. Based in the United Kingdom, the group will initially be coordinated via the Facebook social networking site with membership open to retired or serving members of any of the emergency services. The group is free to join. Simply search for Emergency Services Amateur Radio DX Group on Facebook and sign up, or contact GM0GMN directly at his callbook address. (Southgate)

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RADIO LAW FOLLOW-UP: AMATEUR RADIO REPRESENTED ON REESTABLISHED FCC TECHNICAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

A follow-up to last week's story about the re-establishment of the FCC's Technology Advisory Council for a two-year period. At that time we said we were not aware of any individual or group directly representing the interests of amateur radio that has been invited to serve on the panel. This, even though the recommendations it makes could eventually impact on the spectrum utilized by radio amateurs.

Well thanks to a note from ARRL Executive Vice President Dave Sumner, K1ZZ, we are happy to report that not only does the ARRL have a representative serving on the council, but that Greg Lapin, N9GL, is there now representing the League as he has for many years.

For those who may have missed last weeks report, the FCC's Technology Advisory Council is made up of various technical experts that help give the commission knowledge it needs to identify areas of innovation and develop policies to keep America competitive.

A complete list of those serving on the council can be found at tinyurl.com/3kl4qbc. Our thanks to K1ZZ for the list and for the information update. (K1ZZ)

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RADIO LAW: NEW YORK STATE PASSES ANTI PIRATE RADIO LAW

The New York State legislature has passed a bill adding potential jail time to the possible penalties if someone is convicted of operating an illegal radio station. This as the legislation makes it a Class A misdemeanor to operate an unlicensed radio station in the AM and FM band anywhere in that state.

According to the text, the measure creates the crime of unauthorized radio transmission on either the AM or FM broadcast band. It also prohibits knowingly making a radio transmission on radio frequencies assigned and licensed by the Federal Communications Commission for use by AM and FM radio stations.

The measure is similar to laws in Florida and New Jersey, giving local authorities some say over what previously had been a federally preempted area of jurisdiction. While pirate radio stations have over the years been established just about anywhere, Florida, New Jersey and New York are among the states where the problem tends to be more acute.

If signed into law by Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, the new measure would take effect in 180 days. Personal two-way radio use would not be impacted by this new, New York State, anti pirate radio law. (Adapted from RW)

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HAM RADIO NEW SPACE: ISTANBUL UNIVERSITY STUDENTS ANNOUNCE PLANS FOR NEW HAMSAT

Students at Istanbul Technical University in Turkey are working on a CubeSat ham radio satellite that will host a linear transponder for SSB and CW amateur radio communications.

Dubbed TURKSAT-3USAT the bird will carry a 50 kHz bandwidth 2 meter to 70 centimeter linear transponder, a beacon and telemetry downlink. Planners hope to launch this new bird into a Sun Synchronous orbit of around 680 kilometers sometime in early 2012.

This will be the Istanbul Technical University's first ever communication satellite. More on the project is in cyberspace at tinyurl.com/6hyxh7h. We will have more ham radio space related news later on in this weeks Amateur Radio Newsline report. (Southgate)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the TRW Amateur Radio Club net Redondo Beach California.

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RESCUE RADIO: METEOROLOGIST JAMES SPANN W04W CALLS FOR OVERHAUL OF NWS TORNADO WARNING SYSTEM

Veteran meteorologist James Spann, WO4W, is calling for an overhaul of the National Weather Service tornado warning system and a new commitment to broadcasters weather coverage across local regions. Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, is in the Newsroom with more:

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In a recent post on Birmingham, Alabama's ABC 33/40 weather blog, James Spann, WO4W, writes that tornado sirens, which have an 80 to 90 percent false alarm ratio, are outdated and overused. He says that getting these kinds of warnings over and over and over again creates an ocean of people that won't be paying attention when a real tornado emergency is in progress. He calls this a cry wolf syndrome that is very dangerous.

Spann also says local broadcast stations must commit to bringing audiences information valuable to their safety. He says that when there is a genuine tornado emergency, TV stations must have the guts to cut into regular programming and go with wall to wall weather coverage. He says that he was appalled to see a TV station in a top ten market opting to air the season finale with `Dancing With The Stars' when a tornado warning was up for the two major counties in the metro area this past spring.

James Spann has been reporting the weather for the Birmingham ABC affiliate, which is in the heart of "Tornado Alley," since 1996. He is

among the first television weather anchors to earn a Certified Broadcast Meteorologist status from the American Meteorological Society and is also one of the creators of Weatherbrains.com website which bills itself as the official netcast for people who love the weather.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the Newsroom in Los Angeles. Don.

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James Spann is also the owner of the WO4W repeater atop Shades Mountain, Alabama, that serves the ham radio community in the greater Birmingham area. The complete article is on-line at http://tinyurl.com/5tt7hkm. One of James Spann's postings on this subject is at http://www.jamesspann.com/bmachine/post/wxtalk/3991/Scrap-Tornado-Sirens. Also see http://blog.al.com/spotnews/2011/06/james_spann_blasts_number_of_f.html for an in-depth look at this situation. (Adapted from TV Spy)

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RESCUE RADIO: TOWER REPAIR MOVES WICHITA COUNTY TX. SKYWARN FREQUENCY

Wichita County, Texas, SKYWARN spotters are being asked to use a new frequency for a temporary period. Severe weather spotters using ham radio in and around Wichita Falls have normally usually used a repeater on 146.94 MHz however they are being asked to change to 147.140 until further notice.

Wichita County SKYWARN spokesperson Charlie Byers, KC5PHQ, told Texoma's Homepage.com news service that the change is expected to last until the tower on which the relay system can be repaired. Byers added that once the tower is repaired and the frequency assignment will return to normal.

Initially the repair was not expected to take this long. However weather conditions in the area including high winds have caused delays as workers are not able to climb the tower. (Homepage.com)

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ENFORCEMENT: ADMITTED UNLICENSED FLORIDA BROADCASTER DINGED $15000 BY FCC

The FCC has slapped Fritzner Lindor of Orange Park, Florida with a $15,000 Notice of Apparent Liability for Monetary Forfeiture. This for what the FCC says was Lindor's apparent, willful and repeated violation of section 301 of the Communications Act of by operating an unlicensed radio transmitter on the frequency 94.7 MHz. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, has more:

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In its May 16th release on the case, the FCC says that on June 8th and 9th, 2010, agents from the Enforcement Bureau's Tampa Office used direction-finding techniques to locate the source of radio frequency transmissions on the frequency 94.7 MHz to Lindor's Orange Park, Florida, residence. The agents observed an antenna mounted to a tree in Lindor's yard and traced a coaxial cable from the antenna into his home. On both days the agents determined that the signals being broadcast exceeded the limits for operation under Part 15 of the Commission's rules and therefore required a license.

On June 10, 2010, agents inspected the unauthorized broadcast station in Lindor's residence while it was on the air. During the inspection, Lindor admitted to purchasing the transmitter and operating the station without a license. He also stated that he had been involved in broadcasting for about 19 years and knew that his actions violated the Communications Act.

Based on the evidence before it, the FCC has found that on three dates in 2010 that Fitzner Lindor apparently willfully and repeatedly violated section 301 of the Communications Ac. Also, that Lindor knew that his actions violated the Act, yet he still engaged in the conduct, thereby demonstrating a deliberate disregard for the Commission's requirements. As such, it concluded that Fitzner Lindor is apparently liable for a $15,000 forfeiture.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bruce Tennant. K6PZW, in Los Angeles.

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As is normal in these cases, Lindor was given the customary 30 days to pay the forfeiture or to file an appeal. (FCC)

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RADIO LAW: NEW BILL INTRODUCED TO CRIMINALIZE ILLEGAL STREAMING

Streaming copyright material may soon be against the law. Amateur Radio Newsline's Jim Davis, W2JKD, reports:

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A trio of Senators has introduced a measure that would make illegally streaming TV shows or movies a felony. The bi-partisan bill, designated as S. 978 was introduced by Senators Amy Klobuchar, John Cornyn and Christopher Coons. It came the same day that Sen. Patrick Leahy of Vermont re-introduced a bipartisan measure to give the government more tools to shut down Web sites that traffic in stolen intellectual property, including TV shows and movies.

It is already a felony to download or upload that content, so the bill would just extend that to streaming. This was a recommendation made by White House Intellectual Property Enforcement Coordinator Victoria Espinel. Espinel pointed out that under existing law, it is unclear that streaming copyrighted work can be subject to a felony penalties

because such penalties are predicated on the defendant either illegally reproducing or distributing the copyrighted work.

While, intuitively, streaming would seem to pretty clearly be distribution, there has been some legal question about that designation. This new law looks to clear up that point.

I'm Jim Davis, W2JKD.

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The Obama administration has made protection, security and privacy of online content a priority given its push for universal broadband as a critical infrastructure component of the country's future. (Multichannel News)

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RADIO LAW: TEXAS GOVERNOR VETOES TEXTING WHILE DRIVING BAN

Texas Governor Rick Perry has vetoed legislation that would have outlawed sending or reading text messages while driving. Lawmakers approved the texting ban last month, but Perry called it an "overreach" and "government effort to micromanage the behavior of adults."

Former House Speaker Tom Craddick had pushed the texting while driving ban He called it a public-safety measure. But the bill triggered more than a half-hour of debate on the House floor with opponents arguing the bill would amount to criminalizing drivers simply for receiving a text message while driving.

The Texas cities of San Antonio and El Paso already have laws forbidding texting while driving, and at least 30 other states have enacted similar statewide bans. (Texas.com)

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HELPING HAMS: HANDI HAM CAMP - AUGUST 8 To 13

Turning to the ham radio social calendar, this years Handi Ham Camp will take place August 8th through the 13th at Camp Courage in Minnesota. And as a special incentive, those who earn their Technician Class Amateur Radio licenses at camp will be presented with brand-new Wouxun dual-band handheld radios. This, thanks to the support of a generous donor.

If you are not a Handiham member and are interested in joining the group, and attending this years Handi Ham camp, a link to request a membership application is on-line. You will find it in cyberspace at handiham.org/node/729. (Handi Hams)

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PROMOTING HAM RADIO: HI DEF FIELD DAY VIDEO NEED

Also, if you are hearing this newscast prior to Field Day and if you own a high definition wide screen video camera, please be certain to record the festivities. This, for possible inclusion into one or more upcoming ARRL promotional and educational videos.

If you can shoot some video, please use a tripod and set your camera to record 16 by 9 wide screen at 1080i and 30 frames per second. If you get some good Field Day video please contact Allen Pitts at ARRL Headquarters by e-mail to w1agp at arrl dot org. He will get back to with instructions on how to get the video you shoot delivered to him. (ARRL, ARNewsline(tm))

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: N4HY IN NEW DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH ROLE

Some names in the news. First up is former AMSAT North America Vice President of Engineering Bob McGwier N4HY, who has landed the role of Director of Research for the Hume Center for National Security and Technology. McGwier is well known in amateur radio circles for his numerous contributions to the amateur radio space program. The complete text of N4HY's appointment to this new position is on-line tinyurl.com/mcgwier (AMSAT)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: FCC CHAIRMAN SAYS ITS TIME TO WIPE THE FAIRNESS DOCTRINE OFF THE BOOKS

And according to a report in Broadcasting & Cable magazine, FCC Chairman Julius Genachowski has told Congress he supports striking the so-called Fairness Doctrine and a couple of similar laws from the Code of Federal Regulations.

The issue came up after Commissioner Robert McDowell pointed that, although the FCC ruled in 1987 that the doctrine was unconstitutional and unenforceable, it remained in the Code of Federal Regulations. This essentially means that it was still there if a future commission decided to enforce it. McDowell suggested that it was time to take it off the books, and other legislators agree.

For those to young to remember, the Fairness Doctrine required broadcast stations to air controversial issues of public importance and seek out opposing viewpoints. Also still on the books are parallel laws to the Fairness Doctrine providing for free response time for personal attacks and providing equal time for other candidates if a station endorsed someone in an editorial. The laws were repealed by the FCC in 2000. Now, FCC Chairman Genachowski wants to see all of it off the books. (RW)

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BREAK 2

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WORLDBEAT: FRANCE BANS NEWSCASTS FROM PROMOTING FACEBOOK AND TWITTER

The French are at it again. In a move that will hinder news organizations ability to reach their audiences via social media, France has banned the use of the words Twitter and Facebook from radio and TV newscasts. This, unless they are directly a part of a news story.

News reports out of Europe say that broadcasting news anchors and other on-air talent are now forbidden to refer to popular social networking sites and the micro-blogging phenomenon, unless it is pivotal and relevant to a news item. As such, French radio and television stations will no longer be able to ask their audiences to follow or friend them on these services during newscasts.

Ryan Murphy, is the Digital Media Editor for the Radio and Television News Directors Association. He is quoted as saying that this controversial move is the result of a 1992 French government decree. One that states commercial enterprises should not be promoted on news programs. (excerpted from London Daily Mail)

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WORLDBEAT: BIG CHANGES TO CB IN NEW ZEALAND

Some changes to the rules governing Citizens Band radio down-under. This with word from Zed-L-1-A-T-J that since June 2nd, New Zealand C-B operators can now use the Australian and United States style 27 MHz 40 Channel CB's as well as the New Zealand 26 MHz 40 Channel units.

Also, the New Zealand 476 to 477 MHz UHF Personal Radio Service that's known elsewhere as UHF CB has also just been updated. While existing 40 Channel 5 kHz deviation FM units are still ok to use, all future models will be 80 Channel units designed for a maximum of 2.5 kHz deviation. These new Personal Radio Service radios will have a total of 80 micro band audio deviation channels instead of the previous 40 narrowband FM ones. (ZL1TAJ)

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WORLDBEAT: DANMARKS RADIO TO SHIFT PROGRAMMING TO LONGWAVE

Danish public-service broadcaster Danmarks Radio is shifting some of its programming from medium wave to longwave by months end. On June 16, a new 50 kW transmitter on 243 kHz was activated at the site in Denmark's western province. It will simulcast programming on the longwave channel until June 27th when it will end its medium-wave

broadcasts from the site on 1062 kHz. The existing medium-wave broadcasts use a 250 kW transmitter. Previously, Danmarks Radio used a 300 kW longwave transmitter at another site until it went QRT in February of 2007. (Danmarks Radio)

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WORLDBEAT: FIVE PETITIONS TO STOP BUDGET CUTS TO RADIO NETHERLANDS

No fewer than five petitions against the upcoming budget cuts for Radio Netherlands Worldwide are currently making the rounds. This as announced by Iede de Vries of the Action Committee to avert the proposed financing cuts to the famed international broadcaster.

Employees of Radio Netherlands Worldwide Dutch service launched a petition several weeks ago against the management's plan to drastically reduce the station's Dutch activities in order to save 10 million euros a year. Last week a multilingual website was launched to get support from listeners and web users in other languages.

Now its become known that three more petitions have been launched. Mr. De Vries said that one is an initiative of former ambassadors of the Netherlands, while another has been launched by Dutch companies operating internationally. Both groups emphasize that Radio Netherlands Worldwide is important for the image of the Netherlands abroad.

Meantime, the Dutch Association of Journalists has also launched a petition among international news organizations. This one stresses in particular the role that Radio Netherlands Worldwide plays in promoting press freedom in the world.

The action committee is collecting the responses to the various petitions, and will hand these to the Lower House just before a vote on the cuts that was scheduled for June 27th. (Media Network)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: FALCONSAT 3 CREATES OVER 200 NEW HAMS

Turning to ham radio space related news, word that the US Air Force Academy FalconSat-3 satellite, launched in 2007, has resulted in over 200 academy students becoming licensed radio amateurs.

FalconSat-3 was put into orbit on March 9, 2007 by the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado. It carries a 145 to 435 MHz digital store and forward transponder supporting data rates of 9k6, 38k4, or 76k8 running the pacsat file system so anyone with WiSP can copy telemetry.

Project OSCAR UK contacted Colorado Satellite to get the latest word on the satellite. They received an update below from Jim White who explained that the government band radios on Falcon-Sat-3 require a stable gravity gradient attitude to work properly. They have struggled with the attitude control since launch and it is not yet stable. Instead, the satellite is operating using its amateur band

radios and as a result a large contingent of cadets and faculty from the Air Force Academy have obtained Amateur licenses.

White says that FalconSat-3 is presently on during most day and evening passes over the Air Force Academy with a very strong downlink on UHF.

He adds that when FalconSat-5 was launched about 6 months ago and there was some thought that FalconSat-3would move to fully amateur service. However FalconSat-3 has proven to be such a useful learning tool that the decision was made to operate it along with FalconSat-5. Unlike its predecessor, FalconSat 5 carries no Amateur equipment. (Southgate)

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In DX, word that three S-V hams have announced plans for a VHF and UHF DXpedition to Crete. Using the call SY9VHF, the goal of the team from Greece is to operate from 50 through 1296 MHz plus a station on 10.368GHz. Modes will be SSB and CW. Operators so far are SV1BJY, SV8GKE and SV2HWR. Others may be added before the team takes to the air. Possible dates are June 29th to July 5th but that's not yet cast in concrete More information will follow shortly.

F4FUC will be active as J28UC from Djibouti starting in July and will continue through 2013. Operation will be on 40 through 10 meters using 100 watts into a vertical and a dipole. QSL via his home callsign.

SY2011BVM is a special event station in Greece that will be on the air through July 4th. This activity is to celebrate the Special Olympics Games in Athens. QSL via Bureau, eQSL or direct with a self addressed stamped envelope to SV7BVM.

ZR6DG and ZS6HB will be active as C92DG from the Timbavati Game Reserve in Tofo between July 14th and the 28th. Their operation will be on the High Frequency bands only. QSL via ZR6DG and look for photos of the operation to be posted on QRZ.com.

Lastly, six operators will be active from Guinea as 3XY1D between October 18th and November 1st. Operations will be on 160 through 6 meters using CW, SSB and the digital modes. One station will be exclusively dedicated to RTTY, PSK31 and SSTV. QSL via DL7DF, direct or via the bureau.

(Above from various DX News Sources)

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BREAK 3

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THAT FINAL ITEM: IT WAS A RILEY GOOD TIME IN PLANO

And finally this week, one could honestly say that the recent ARRL National Convention in Plano, Texas, could be billed as having been a Riley good show. Yes, we know that's kind of a play on words but we are saying because the special guest of honor was none other than retired FCC Special Counsel Riley Hollingsworth, K4ZDH. And speaking to a standing room only audience, Riley let the crowd in one some of the more fun methodology he used during his tenure as the regulatory agency's ham radio rules enforcer to quickly solve some problems before they became major headaches:

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K4ZDH: "This is one where I learned that a wife or a girlfriend can be the most effective enforcement tool that we have and that's why I often sent tapes out to the derelicts as we called them. There was a 50 percent chance that the wife would get the mail and the tapes. And she would say ".gee, what in this package." (And he would reply) ".Nothing, it just came from the FCC." (She) "Well, what are these tapes for?" And invariably, she is going to listen to them and you can close that case out within a few weeks." (Audience laughter)

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Riley then went on to tell of one case where his theory proved out better than expected:

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K4ZDH: ".This happened the first year of enforcement and the first year I used to get so aggravated about what the bands sound like that it would often sour our weekend.

"So one Friday I decided to call and try to resolve something before it ruined my weekend. I just had a gut feeling that we could get it resolved over the telephone. So I called down; the wife answered and I asked for so and so the amateur operator. She said he's not there but asked what this was about. So against my better judgment I told her what was going on about the interference, and some of the language and so forth and of the complaints.

"And there was a pause that Ill never forget. And then she said: "Well he gets home around 6. And I can guarantee you that after 6:15 tonight that you will never have this problem again." (Audience laughter)

"We never heard from or about that guy (again). (More laughter)"

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On a more serious note, K4ZDH took the time to praise two former young hams in the audience who have gone on to positions of leadership within

the ham radio community:

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K4ZDH: "I finally have accepted that I get emotional about this topic and that's just the way it is so bear with me.

"11 year ago when I had the privilege of speaking to you at the Nutter Center in Dayton, I brought your attention to a 20 year old fellow named Brian.

"I first met Brian the year before in Albuquerque at a hamfest where he was teaching a class in (ham radio) Fox Hunting. You might notice that Fox Hunting is gaining international attention. I could tell at the time that he was a natural born teacher. I ran into him again at other places and he always impressed me.

"And at that dinner I said to take a good look at Brian and let's sincerely hope that the future of amateur radio is in the hands of people like Brian. If so, there's no doubt that Brian will do a better job of looking after our spectrum than we did. And I said to Brian, that when you are up on this stage 15 years from now that I hope that it isn't necessary, even one time, to use the term enforcement.

"And that same year an 11 year old girl named Andrea obtained an Amateur Radio License. And in the years after that I would often see her at ham (radio) events talking to youth groups and later becoming a contributing editor to QST magazine.

"In both these people I could see an enthusiasm for radio. And in the years afterward many times I privately hoped that they could become the future of amateur radio, but given the state of amateur radio at the time, it was a very far fetched wish.

"Well, we see that Brian Mileshosky is a League Director now for the Rocky Mountain Division and working for the Sandia National Labs.

"And we see that Andrea Hartlage is a Vice Director for the South-Eastern Division and that she is studying aerospace engineering at Georgia Tech. And if I embarrassed you its your own fault for being beautiful and smart. I can't control that" (Applause)

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Riley spoke and took questions from the audience for the better part of an hour. And what we saw and heard in Plano, Texas was really a new Riiley Hollingsworth. He was no longer just the man from the FCC reporting on the state of Part 97 rules enforcement. Rather he was there as one of us, to share his personal feelings about his love of amateur radio. The crowd truly treasured every word. And to be honest, so did we. (ARNewsline(tm))

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB, the Southgate News and Australia's WIA News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is Newsline (at) arnewsline (dot) org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California, 91350

And a reminder that the nominating period for the year 2011 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award closes at midnight on June 30th. As this newscast goes to air that's less than a week away.

As in years past, the 2011 recipient will receive an expense paid trip to the Huntsville Hamfest in Huntsville Alabama courtesy of Vertex-Standard Corporation which produces Yaesu brand amateur radio gear. Vertex-Standard will also present this years winner with a special ham radio related gift. CQ Magazine will again treat the recipient to a week at Spacecamp-Huntsville. We at Amateur Radio Newsline will present the winner with a plaque honoring his or her achievements.

All nominations and materials required by the official rules must be received by ARNewsline before June 30, 2011. A downloadable nominating form is at our website at www.arnewsline.org. A nominating form can also be obtained by sending a request along with a self addressed stamped envelope to the Young Ham of the Year Award in care of Amateur Radio Newsline, Inc. 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California 91350.

Again, the cutoff date for these years Young Ham of the Year Award nominations to be postmarked is midnight your local time on June 30th. We ask you to do your part by nominating a young ham who has done something special related to ham radio. Again, the nominating form is at www.arnewsline.org

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Don Wilbanks in warm and rainey Southern Mississippi, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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==> + PUBLIC SERVICE: NORTH DAKOTA HAMS BRACE FOR FLOODING RIVER

As the Mouse River -- or Souris River -- rises, residents in Minot,
North Dakota, are under orders to immediately evacuate their homes. The
river -- which originates south of Regina, Saskatchewan, flows through
North Dakota and then heads north where it terminates in Manitoba --
has already started to flow into the streets of Minot. "We have
activated the North Dakota ARES® and RACES groups for support as of
today, June 22 at 12 noon (CDT)," said North Dakota Section Manager
Lynn Nelson, W0ND. "The mandatory evacuation is immediate and some
11,000 homeowners are told to leave now! The Mouse River is overflowing
the dikes and officials are planning on blowing the sirens shortly."
Read more here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/north-dakota-hams-brace-for-flooding-river>.

==> PUBLIC SERVICE: AMATEUR RADIO OPERATORS PROVIDE SUPPORT FOR
ARIZONA/NEW MEXICO WILDFIRES

The Wallow Fire, which began in Eastern Arizona on May 29, burned
across the state line into New Mexico on June 11. On Sunday, high winds
and low humidity helped the half-million acre fire to easily jump its
containment lines. According to Charlie Christmann, K5CEC, New Mexico
Amateur Radio operators are near the fire lines, providing updates to
the State Emergency Operations Center via the MegaLink repeater system.
Read more here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/amateur-radio-operators-provide-support-for-arizona
-new-mexico-wildfires>.

==> + PUBLIC SERVICE: NEBRASKA HAMS NEEDED TO PROVIDE ACCESS TO 911
SERVICES

When 23,000 people in Lincoln, Nebraska lost their digital phone
service on the morning of June 22, local Amateur Radio operators were
called in to help provide local residents with a connection to the 911
dispatchers. According to ARRL Nebraska Section Manager Art Zygielbaum,
K0AIZ, those trying to call 911 via the digital phone system to report
emergencies were met with a recording that said "Due to network
difficulties, your call cannot go through."

"Lancaster County [Nebraska] Emergency Manager Doug Ahlberg
activated ARES® because Time Warner Cable lost a significant portion of
its digital phone service," Zygielbaum explained. "More than 30 ARES®
members were deployed along major roads throughout Lincoln and at major
intersections to help people who might need emergency services. The
outage lasted close to 12 hours." According to the Lincoln Journal Star
<http://journalstar.com/news/local/article_60e55f58-1f04-564b-acca-83fa8f4c56
63.html>,
the digital phone service was working early Wednesday evening on a
"rolling restoration" of 911 service. Time Warner said earlier its
10-digit calling issues were fixed.

This is the second time in 16 months
<http://www.arrl.org/news/telephone-outage-in-nebraska-no-april-fool-s-joke>

that radio amateurs have been asked to provide support due to 911 service disruptions in Nebraska. In April 2010, almost 40,000 people -- including Lincoln's government, business and emergency centers -- found out that they had no landline telephone service, as well as spotty cell phone coverage, thanks to an equipment malfunction at a Lincoln switching facility owned by Windstream Communications. According to news reports, residents of 12 counties were unable to contact 911 and dispatch centers used local radio amateurs to help provide communications support.

==> + PUBLIC SERVICE: ARRL, NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE UPDATE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

The National Weather Service (NWS) has updated its Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the ARRL. The updated MoU serves "as a framework within which volunteers of the ARRL may coordinate their services, facilities and equipment with the NWS in support of nationwide, state and local early weather warning and emergency communications function." In May, ARRL President Kay Craigie, N3KN, signed on behalf of the ARRL, and in June, NWS Office of Climate, Water and Weather Services' Director Dave Caldwell signed on behalf of the NWS. The ARRL and the NWS have had a formal working arrangement since 1986. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-national-weather-service-update-em-memorandum-of-understanding-em>.

==> ARRL FIELD DAY: W1AW ANNOUNCES 2011 FIELD DAY BULLETIN SCHEDULE

Stations active during ARRL Field Day -- June 25-26 -- are eligible to receive 100 bonus points for copying the special Field Day bulletin transmitted by W1AW (or K6KPH on the West Coast) according to the schedule below. You must include an accurate copy of the message in your Field Day submission. The Field Day bulletin must be copied via Amateur Radio; it will not be included in Internet bulletins sent out from Headquarters and will not be posted to Internet BBS sites. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/w1aw-announces-2011-field-day-bulletin-schedule>.

==> ARRL FIELD DAY: GET ACTIVE ON SOCIAL MEDIA FOR ARRL FIELD DAY

The ARRL is encouraging hams to use social media sites, such as Facebook and Twitter, to promote their Field Day activities. ARRL Field Day begins at 1800 UTC on Saturday, June 25 and ARRL Media and Public Relations Manager Allen Pitts, W1AGP, would like hams to use Twitter to send a tweet announcing their Field Day activities two hours before the event begins: "We would like everyone to get on Twitter at 1600 UTC and send 'Meet me at Field Day at [your location] #ARRL #hamradio.' You can also re-tweet the messages of others. As Field Day progresses, continue to tweet, post status updates on Facebook and add pictures of your Field Day activities." You can follow the ARRL's Field Day activities on Facebook and Twitter. W1AW Station Manager Joe Carcia, NJ1Q, will be posting updates from W1AW on the ARRL's Facebook page

<http://www.facebook.com/ARRL.org> and on the W1AW Twitter account <http://twitter.com/w1aw>. You can also follow along on the ARRL's youth Twitter account <http://twitter.com/ARRL_Youth> and its Public Relations Twitter account <http://twitter.com/ARRL_PR>.

==> ARRL FIELD DAY: INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION COULD BE ACTIVE FOR ARRL FIELD DAY

According to NASA ISS Ham Radio Project Engineer Kenneth Ransom, N5VHO, the crew on board the International Space Station (ISS) could very well be on the air for ARRL Field Day, June 25-26. "The ISS will be supporting ARRL Field Day as long as mission events permit," Ransom told the ARRL. "The crew will activate one of the automatic modes (crossband or packet digipeater) to allow ground stations to use the ISS as a relay." Ransom said that the crew may also be available to support direct contacts: "The crew could operate either or both call signs -- RS0ISS and NA1SS -- and would send '2 Alpha DX.' Listen for them on the downlinks of 145.80 and/or 437.55 MHz." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/field-day-from-space-international-space-station-could-be-active-for-arrl-field-day>.

==> + AMATEUR RADIO IN SPACE: NASA ASTRONAUTS AND ASTRONAUT CANDIDATES EARN AMATEUR RADIO LICENSES

Every few years, NASA selects women and men to join its astronaut training program. Out of the hundreds who apply, only a select few are chosen to become Astronaut Candidates. Their training runs for at least two years, and when it is over, the Astronaut Candidates become full-fledged astronauts and are assigned to upcoming missions. Part of the training is an optional Amateur Radio licensing class. Once licensed and in space, these astronauts can use Amateur Radio to communicate with people here on Earth.

According to ARRL ARISS Program Manager Rosalie White, K1STO, the latest cycle of classes is almost over. "During the week of June 6-12, Nick Lance, KC5KBO, presented a series of Amateur Radio license class lessons to seven NASA Astronaut Candidates who elected to take part in future ARISS educational activities," she said. "Following the classes, Nick conducted a license exam session on June 13 for those Astronaut Candidates who felt they were ready. On June 17, the FCC issued Technician class call signs to three Astronauts: Takuya Onishi, KF5LKS, Gregory Wiseman, KF5LKT, and Jeremy Hansen, KF5LKU. More Astronaut Candidates have expressed a desire to take the exam in the near future."

White said that on June 9, Astronaut Michael Hopkins, who studied on his own, passed his Technician exam as well. The FCC issued his new call sign, KF5LJG, on June 14. His future NASA assignment is Expedition 37 in 2013 on the International Space Station. Additionally, Astronaut Kjell Lindgren, KO5MOS, upgraded from the Technician to General.

"The ARISS Team is thrilled to see such great interest on the part of the Astronauts and Astronaut Candidates who are looking forward to supporting Amateur Radio educational activities through the ARISS platform, White said. Kudos to the ARISS Houston contingent who continues to help increase the number of astronauts who are Amateur Radio operators!"

==> ARRL HOSTS RFI WORKSHOP FOR UTILITY COMPANIES

On June 16-17, the ARRL hosted an RFI workshop for utility company employees. Led by Mike Martin, K3RFI, owner of RFI Services, the workshop was geared for those technicians, linemen and engineers who are responsible for solving RFI and TVI problems. Four participants from around the country made their way to Newington to take part in classroom and field instruction to learn how to best locate and solve these interference problems. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-hosts-rfi-workshop-for-utility-companies>.

==> + AT THE WORKBENCH: HOMEBREW CHALLENGE REMINDER

The ARRL has sponsored two Homebrew Challenges in the past, designed to test our members' design and construction skills by making useful amateur gear at low cost -- and sharing their results with our members. Our first ARRL Homebrew Challenge, announced in QST for August 2006, required the construction of a 40 meter, 5 W voice and CW transceiver built for less than $50 of new parts. The Second Homebrew Challenge, announced in February 2009, resulted in a number of creative designs of low cost 50 W linear amplifiers to follow the transceiver -- two for about $30, as well as a multiband amplifier with many features for somewhat more.

For 2011, the ARRL has issued a challenge <http://www.arrl.org/homebrew-challenge> to build a transceiver in celebration of the (slow) return of sunspots. This challenge will be in two parts and hams can enter either or both options:

- Option 1: A single band 25 W SSB and CW transceiver for 10 or 6 meters, with a prize of $200.
- Option 2: A 25 W SSB and CW transceiver that can be switched between 10 and 6 meters, using one or two switches, with a prize of $300.

Instead of challenging entrants to make the transceiver at the lowest cost, the ARRL will instead challenge builders to provide the highest quality, best performance and most features within the cost target of $150 for Option 1 and $200 for Option 2. In addition to the cash prize, the winners of these challenges will have articles describing their designs in QST and will receive the usual page rate for the published articles. Additional entrants who meet the minimum requirements -- and have interesting design features -- may also be considered for QST or ARRL Web articles.

Entries for either option must be received at ARRL Headquarters no later than November 1, 2011. To be considered, each entrant must submit a working transceiver that is suitable for testing in the ARRL Lab and

for on-the-air judging by the ARRL staff judges. Documentation required includes a priced parts list indicating the source and purchase price of each part, an article draft including a design description, construction hints, alignment instruction, block diagrams and schematic diagrams. Photographs may be provided, but final magazine photos will be taken by ARRL staff.

For more information, including specific requirements and evaluation criteria, please visit the ARRL Homebrew Challenge web page <http://www.arrl.org/homebrew-challenge>.

==> QEX -- THE JULY/AUGUST 2011 ISSUE

The July/August issue of QEX is coming soon, and it is full of theoretical and practical technical articles that you won't want to miss. QEX is the ARRL's "Forum for Communications Experimenters." Published bimonthly, it features technical articles, columns and other items of interest to radio amateurs and communications professionals. The mission of QEX is threefold: To provide a medium for the exchange of ideas and information among Amateur Radio experimenters; to document advanced technical work in the Amateur Radio field, and to support efforts to advance the state of the Amateur Radio art. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/em-qex-em-the-july-august-2011-issue>.

==> ARRL SURVEY UNDERWAY

The ARRL has asked an independent research company specializing in survey research to conduct a survey of Amateur Radio operators. Readex Research <http://www.readexresearch.com/> -- headquartered in Stillwater, Minnesota -- has conducted similar studies for ARRL in the past, including QST readership studies and large national surveys. This most recent survey is being conducted by mail and e-mail, and includes representative populations of Amateur Radio operators from among US and international ARRL members, as well as non-member FCC licensees. While not every member will receive a survey, participation from those individuals who are selected is critical for the success of this project. Responses will be kept confidential and only used in tabulation with others; no data about survey participants -- including contact information -- will be shared with anyone. Please contact ARRL <http://www.arrl.org/contact-arrl> if you have any questions about the survey.

==> SUPPORT ARRL: ARRL AND COMBINED FEDERAL CAMPAIGN MARK DECADE OF PARTNERSHIP

For the past 10 years, the US Office of Personnel Management has designated the ARRL to participate in the 2010 Combined Federal Campaign (CFC <http://www.opm.gov/cfc/>). In that time, this campaign for federal government civilian employees, US Postal Service workers and members of the military has generated more than $170,000 for ARRL programs since it first became an option for giving by federal employees to the League. The CFC provides an easy way to support ARRL's

effort to represent its members and all radio amateurs.

Similar to the United Way, the CFC encourages individuals to pledge by payroll deduction to non-profit organizations of their choice. The ARRL encourages eligible radio amateurs to consider the League when designating campaign recipients. Payroll deduction through the CFC is an easy way for participants to support ARRL over and above their annual membership. Such contributions support programs that are not funded by member dues, enriching ARRL's ability to serve its members and all of Amateur Radio. Those wishing to select the ARRL to receive all or part of their payroll deductions should designate organization 10099 when completing their CFC donor forms. Donations to ARRL can be designated for Diamond Club contributions, the ARRL Spectrum Defense Fund or the ARRL Education & Technology Program. Donors may also make unrestricted contributions to the League.

One important note: Since the CFC does not provide the ARRL with the names of individual donors, the ARRL Development Office would appreciate a copy of the donor form to ensure that each contribution is applied according to the donor's wishes and the contribution or pledge can be properly acknowledged.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "You make the Sun shine brighter than Doris Day <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pIgZ7gMze7A>" Cook, K7RA, reports: Over the past week -- June 16-22 -- the average daily sunspot number rose nearly 20 points to 55, while the average daily solar flux readings increased by nearly 9 points to 98.6. All geomagnetic indices declined slightly. For the past month, we've been looking nervously toward ARRL Field Day <http://www.arrl.org/fieldday> because a forecast from NOAA and USAF showed possibly unsettled geomagnetic conditions on Friday, June 24, and continuing through Field Day weekend. The forecast has evolved from troubling to frightening and back again. Early in June, the predicted planetary A index for June 24-26 was 18, 18 and 15. Then on June 7, it changed to 15, 15 and 10 -- a little better. Then a week later, things looked even more promising on June 14 at 15, 10 and 5. But on June 17, it was revised upward to 30, 15 and 5; a planetary A index of 30 indicates a geomagnetic storm. The next day on June 18, the forecast shifted to 25, 18 and 8, and on June 19 it changed again to 25, 18 and 10. June 20 saw a slight change to 25, 18 and 8 again, then on June 21, it shifted to 15, 40 and 25. An A index of 40 on the first day of Field Day sounds ominous. Then June 22 it changed again to 30, 10 and 10. Basically we would love to see the A index as low as possible, 5 or less would be wonderful. The latest news is that the solar wind from a coronal mass ejection (CME) occurring on the solstice is moving slower than originally thought, which means a weaker effect here on Earth. A planetary K index of 5 is expected when the storm arrives, now predicted at 0700 UTC on June 24, which is 35 hours before the start of Field Day, 1800 UTC on June 25. At 0640 UTC on June 23, the Australian IPS Radio and Space Services released a bulletin stating

that increased geomagnetic activity is expected on Jun4 23-24, due to the CME, but that the effect on June 23 is expected to be mild, with a small chance of isolated storm periods. Geophysical Institute Prague predicts active conditions June 24, unsettled to active on June 25, quiet to unsettled June 26-27 and quiet on June 28-30. The last forecast before Field Day <http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpmenu/forecasts/45DF.html> should be on Friday, June 24, released after 2100 UTC. The most recent forecast from USAF and NOAA has solar flux at 95 on June 23-25, 90 on June 26-30, 95 on July 1-2 and 93 on July 3. The predicted planetary A index for June 23-26 is 18, 30, 20, and 10, on June 27-28 is 8 and 5 on Jun 29 through July 1. Look for more information on the ARRL website on Friday, June 24. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by Wham!'s Wake Me Up Before You Go-Go <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wake_Me_Up_Before_You_Go-Go>.

==> + HAM RADIO IN HOLLYWOOD: HOLLYWOOD TAKES LIBERTIES WITH AMATEUR RADIO IN NEW COMEDY

In Mr Popper's Penguins <http://www.popperspenguins.com/main.html> -- one of the newest films out this summer -- young Tommy Popper communicates with his father using what many reviews are calling ham radio. But while the Poppers are using a radio tuned to 21.2460 (15 meters SSB), this frequency was not available to US hams as a phone frequency in the 1976-78 time period, as shown in the movie. Neither do the Poppers use call signs. Instead, they use handles: Young Tommy is "Tippy Toe" and Mr Popper is "Bald Eagle." Mr Popper -- who, in one transmission, is in Marrakesh -- calls his son in New York City. There is no interference or static on the frequency; it seems they are the only ones on the band. While it is exciting to see Amateur Radio on the big screen, movies such as Frequency <http://www.imdb.com/title/tt0186151/> and Contact <http://www.imdb.com/title/tt0118884/>, and television shows such as Jericho <http://www.imdb.com/title/tt0805663/> and The Simpsons <http://www.imdb.com/title/tt0096697/> have presented Amateur Radio more accurately.

==> INTERNATIONAL NEWS: ARRL TO ATTEND HAM RADIO 2011 -- EUROPE'S LARGEST AMATEUR RADIO CONVENTION

Each year, ARRL sends a contingent of representatives to attend the largest Amateur Radio convention in Europe. Held in Friedrichshafen on the northern side of Lake Constance in Southern Germany, Ham Radio 2011 <http://www.hamradio-friedrichshafen.de/ham-en/index.php> will take place June 24-26. This is the 36th international Amateur Radio exhibition and the 62nd Lake Constance Convention of Radio Amateurs, sponsored by the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club (DARC <http://www.darc.de/>), which gave rise to the fair. The convention program includes 40 lectures, international and national meetings and

large stage presentations. A Ham Rally and youth tent camp will be centerpieces of activity for young radio amateurs attending the event.

ARRL Chief Technology Officer Brennan Price, N4QX, International Affairs Vice President Jay Bellows, K0QB, and Membership and Volunteer Programs Manager Dave Patton, NN1N, will represent the ARRL at Ham Radio 2011. Along with greeting international ARRL members and networking with other IARU Member-Societies, volunteers at the ARRL booth will receive applications and endorsements for ARRL awards, including the popular DXCC program. The ARRL -- as International Secretariat for the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) -- will also host a meeting area for IARU officials and friends at the convention. IARU President Tim Ellam, VE6SH, IARU Secretary Rod Stafford, W6ROD and IARU President Emeritus Larry Price, W4RA, will represent that organization.

Last year's event drew 17,000 visitors, with 187 exhibitors from 32 nations. Photos from Ham Radio 2010 are posted on the ARRL Facebook page <http://www.facebook.com/media/set/?set=a.403183867407.181090.20069212407&l=b1f15840cd>.

==> + ARRL TO CLOSE IN OBSERVANCE OF FOURTH OF JULY

ARRL Headquarters will be closed in observance of Independence Day on Monday, July 4. There will be no W1AW bulletin or code practice transmissions <http://www.arrl.org/w1aw-operating-schedule> that day. League Headquarters will reopen Tuesday, July 5 at 8 AM Eastern Daylight Time. We wish everyone a safe and festive holiday weekend.

==> THERE'S STILL TIME TO ENTER THE 2011 ARRL PHOTO CONTEST!

Have you ever wanted to see a photo of yours in QST, the annual ARRL Amateur Radio Calendar or another ARRL publication? Well, here's your chance! If you're among the winners, not only will your photographic skill be propagated far and wide, but we're offering $100 as the First Prize. The winning photo and three runners-up will be published in QST. All submitted photos will also be considered for the 2012 ARRL Calendar.

- Deadline: Photos must be received at ARRL HQ by June 30, 2011.
- Subject: Must be directly related to Amateur Radio, and be in good taste. Extra points will be awarded for photos showing folks having fun with Amateur Radio. Photos will be judged on overall quality and composition.
- Requirements: Digital images or color prints accepted. A digital image printed on photo paper, however, doesn't work as well as a high-resolution file attachment. Digital images should be high resolution. A digital image up to 8 MB in size can be e-mailed to upfront@arrl.org, subject line "2011 Photo Contest." An image may also be burned to a CD and mailed to ARRL Photo Contest, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111. All entries must include caption information

describing where the photo was taken, along with a description of the subject of the photo, as well as the names and call signs of any persons shown. If you entered last year's contest, please do not resend the same photo for this year's contest. One entry per person.
- Miscellaneous: The decisions of the judges -- composed of QST editorial and production staff -- are final.

==> THIS WEEK ON THE RADIO

This week:

- June 24 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- June 25 -- VK/Trans-Tasman 160 Meter Contest (Phone)
- June 25-26 -- ARRL Field Day <http://www.arrl.org/fieldday>; Ukrainian DX DIGI Contest; His Majesty King of Spain Contest (SSB); Marconi Memorial HF Contest; ARCI Milliwatt Field Day

Next week:

- July 1 -- RAC Canada Day Contest
- July 2-3 -- Venezuelan Independence Day Contest; DL-DX RTTY Contest; PODXS 070 Club 40 Meter Firecracker Sprint (local time)
- July 3 -- DARC 10 Meter Digital Contest
- July 4-5 -- Michigan QRP July 4th CW Sprint
- July 4-10 -- 10-10 International Spirit of 76 QSO Party
- July 5 -- ARS Spartan Sprint

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- July 2 -- ARRL Eastern Pennsylvania Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/eastern-pennsylvania-section-convention-firecracker-hamfest-1>,
Marysville, Pennsylvania
- July 15-17 -- ARRL Montana State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/montana-state-convention-glacier-waterton-international-hamfest>,
Essex, Montana
- July 29-30 -- ARRL Oklahoma State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/oklahoma-state-convention-ham-holiday-2011>,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
- August 5 -- ARRL Midwest Division Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/midwest-division-convention>, Cedar Rapids, Iowa
- August 5-6 -- ARRL Texas State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/texas-state-convention-austin-summerfest-1>,

Austin, Texas
- August 5-7 -- ARRL Rocky Mountain Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/rocky-mountain-division-convention-1>,
Taos, New Mexico
- August 20 -- ARRL West Virginia State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-virginia-state-convention-1>,
Weston, West Virginia
- August 20-21 -- ARRL Alabama State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/alabama-state-convention-huntsville-hamfest>,
Huntsville, Alabama
- August 21 -- ARRL Kansas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/kansas-state-convention-1>, Salina,
Kansas
- August 28 -- ARRL Western Pennsylvania Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/western-pennsylvania-section-convention-1>,
West Kensington, Pennsylvania
- September 9 -- ARRL Southwestern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southwestern-division-convention-hamcon-2011>,
Torrance, California
- September 11 -- ARRL Great Lakes Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/great-lakes-division-convention-findlay-hamfest
>,
Findlay, Ohio
- September 17 -- ARRL Roanoke Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/roanoke-division-convention-virginia-beach-hamf
est>,
Virginia Beach, Virginia
- September 24 -- ARRL Washington State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/washington-state-convention-35th-annual-spokane
-hamfest>,
Spokane Valley, Washington

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GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 26th June 2011

The news headlines:

* Foundation Syllabus changes on 1 July

* AMSAT-UK at the UK Space Conference

* Distance learning advanced exam

The syllabus of the Foundation examination changes on 1 July. A new question on etiquette and dealing with abuse will be added, making 26 questions in total, with a pass mark of 19. Details were posted last year on the RCF examinations website, www.commsfoundation.org/rce.

AMSAT-UK will have a presence at the first-ever UK Space Conference being organised by the UK Space Agency. It takes place at the University of Warwick on 4 and 5 July. AMSAT-UK has been sponsored to have a small stand in the exhibition area and will be among some very illustrious company. The stand will be displaying FUNcube models and demonstrating the educational outreach possibilities. AMSAT-UK will be presenting short papers in the educational and CubeSat streams during the event. Further details of the event are at tinyurl.com/UKSpace2011.

Following the successful conclusion of their distance learning course with the Advanced exam, the Bath Radio Classes are planning to do it all over again. There have been a number of enquiries already, so the next virtual course will start in the week beginning 18 July. The aim is that students will sit the exam on Monday 5 December, either in Bath or at their local exam centre. There are no fees for the classes but students will need a copy of the RSGB Advance! textbook and will, of course, need to pay the exam fee of £37.50. Each week, students will receive guided reading instructions and revision questions to test recollection and/or understanding. Tutors will mark e-mailed answers and will provide worked answers in return. Tutors will also provide points of clarification on request. The material is supplemented by additional exercises and video demonstrations on YouTube. Further details can be had from Steve Hartley, G0FUW, who is QTHR, listed on QRZ.com and can be emailed via G0FUW@tiscali.co.uk. Steve would also like to hear from anyone that would be interested in becoming a remote tutor as he is trying to build up a network of mentors that can help share the workload, which is moderate. However, more hands will make light work and add some resilience into the system.

Edward Rippon, M0EPR is interested in starting up the Nottingham RAYNET group again. The group will be primarily for emergency communications. There will be training events taking place around Nottingham, providing communications for local authorities and for local events, horse trails, fun runs and the Santa train. The group will also promote amateur radio within the community. If you are interested, please contact Edward Rippon on 0797 449 1299 or email m0epr.sarc@yahoo.com. And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

Today, 26 June, the West of England Radio Rally will be held in the Cheese & Grain, Bridge Street, Frome, Somerset BA11 1BE. There will trade stands and an RSGB bookstall. Contact Shaun, G8VPG, on 01225 873 098.

The Bangor and District ARS rally is to be held on Saturday 2 July in Donaghadee Community Centre. Starting at 12 noon, admission is £2 and there are plenty of attractions including special interest groups, Bring and Buy and a good selection of radio and computer traders. Ian White, GM3SEK, of RadCom fame, is giving a presentation on Ferrite Cores and Baluns. More information, and a map, is available at www.bdars.com.

The 2nd Stockport Rally will take place on Saturday 2 July at Walthew House, Shaw Heath, Stockport SK2 6QS. Doors open at 10am, admission will be £1 and there will be trade stands as well as catering available. Details from Bernard, G3SHF, on 01625 850088, daytime & weekends.

The Barford Norfolk Radio Rally will be held on Sunday 3 July at Barford Village Hall & Green, Barford, Norwich NR9 4AB. It's 9 miles south west of Norwich, close to the A11 and A47. Doors open at 9am and admission is £1.50, with children admitted free. There will be trade stands and a Bring & Buy.

Now for the news of special events

Central Lancs ARC will be activating Hoghton Tower today, 26 June. This stately home, located in Preston, Lancashire, has been the ancestral home of the De Hoghton family since William the Conqueror. For more details go to www.cashota.co.uk.

Eden Valley Radio Society will be operating as GB2SAS from the Solway Aviation Society museum open day at Carlisle airport on Saturday 2 July. This year marks the 50th anniversary of the Solway Aviation Society and the 50th birthday of the museums' Vulcan bomber.

And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

Preston ARS is planning to run an IOTA station from St Kilda island on 28 to 30 June. This all depends on sea conditions as they will be travelling by their own boats. The callsign they plan to use is GS4SK. Further information will be available on QRZ.com.

A large team of operators will be active as BY1RX/4 from Furong Island, which is IOTA reference AS-160, from 2 to 9 July. They will operate CW, SSB and RTTY from four stations on 160 to 6m. QSL via BA4TB. More information at www.qrz.cn/as160.

PY2FN will be operational as PY0FO from Fernando de Noronha between 2 and 9 July. Activity will be on 160 to 6m, CW only. Logs will be uploaded to Logbook of the World. QSL via his home callsign, direct or via the bureau.

Paul, 2E1EUB will be active as 2M1EUB/P from the Isle of Harris and Lewis, Western Scotland on the AMSAT Oscar 7 satellite and others that may be in view from 2 July for 14 days. Check out qrz.com for more details. Now the contest news

The fourth 70MHz Cumulative contest takes place today, 26 June from 1400 to 1600UTC. The exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

On 28 June there is the 50MHz UK Activity Contest from 1900 to 2130UTC, on all modes. Signal report, serial number and locator form the exchange.

Also on 28 June is the SHF UK Activity Contest from 1900 to 2130UTC. Using all modes on the 2.3 to 10GHz bands, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The real action on VHF begins with VHF NFD on 2nd and 3rd July. Apart from the various sections for portable stations of differing powers and complexities, as of 2009 there is also the Sweepers section. This was introduced to encourage fixed stations to work the portables and expanded in 2010. As a non- participating fixed station there's no reason why you shouldn't call CQ while the contest is in progress, because there will be a whole band of people looking for QSOs, especially during the quieter hours. The third 2m Backpackers runs for the last three hours of VHF NFD and continues for an hour after it ends.

And now the solar factual data for the period from the 13th to the 19th of June, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on the 20th of June.

First this week in the solar news are the latest smoothed monthly sunspot numbers, which for September, October and November are 19.6, 23.2 and 26.5 respectively. Recent media reports of studies released in the United States have suggested that the solar cycle may have gone into hibernation and that cycle 24, currently under way, may prove to be the last normal one for some time. These projections should not be taken as conclusive, but if they prove correct they point to dismal prospects for HF operators later this decade. Perhaps the best conclusion for the time being is that we would be wise to make the most of cycle 24 as it moves towards maximum in a couple of years time.

The solar disc had several sunspot groups visible every day. Solar activity was very low on the 18th and increased to moderate on the 14th

when a M1 class solar flare took place. On the remaining days activity was low when C class occurred. Solar flux levels initially increased from 87 units on the 13th to 104 by the 17th, but as the two largest sunspot groups decayed flux levels declined back to 99 units by the 19th and the 20th. The average was 99 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 19th was 104, that's one unit up on last week. X-ray flux levels varied little day to day and averaged B2.5 units. Geomagnetic activity was mostly quiet but on the 17th increased to unsettled levels with an Ap index of 11 units. The cause of this was a glancing blow from a coronal mass ejection from the M1 flare on the 14th. The average was Ap 6 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds decline from 580 kilometres per second on the 14th to 380 by the 19th. Particle densities were low throughout. Bz varied no more than minus 8 and plus 7 nanoTeslas for the period. Sporadic-E occurred on most days, notably the 17th when there was a strong 50MHz opening to the south-east United States and the Caribbean. There was a smaller opening to the north-east US and Newfoundland on the 18th. Two metres opened to Portugal, Morocco and the Canary Islands on the evening of the 17th.

And now the solar forecast. This week the slightly more active side of the Sun is expected to be rotating out of sight. Solar activity at best is expected to be at low levels but on some days may decline to very low levels. Solar flux levels should decline and be around the 90 mark by next weekend. However as previously stated, it would only take one large active sunspot group to change all that. Geomagnetic activity could be slightly unsettled today due to the effects of a coronal hole. If not, then activity should be quiet every day unless an Earth directed coronal mass ejection takes place. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be 21MHz for the south and 18MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows are expected to be around 13MHz. Paths this week to Australia should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 20MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate should be about 15MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 0700 and 1000 hours. Also, during the late evening the long path good be open with slightly higher MUFs.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your

transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS On Sunday 26 June Hucknall Rolls Royce Amateur Radio Club is hosting a classic car show. More information from Dave Wilde, G1YAI, on 0844 4355593.

On Monday 27 June Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is holding an informal meeting. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548478, daytime.

On Monday 27 June South Birmingham Radio Society is checking rigs and aerials for field day. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Monday 27 June South Normanton Alfreton & District Amateur Radio Club is having a mobile fox hunt. Details from A Lawrence, 2E0BQS, by email to adylawri@btinternet.com.

On Monday 27 June Stratford Upon Avon District Radio Society is holding a 2m fox hunt, starting at the Home Guard Club. Contact G0CHO, on 01608 664488.

On Tuesday 28 June Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 28 June Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club has an open forum on the use of aerial analysers. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Tuesday 28 June Mid-Warwickshire Amateur Radio Society is having a picnic from 11am at Bidford-on- Avon. Details from Don, G4CYG, on 019 2642 4465.

On Tuesday 28 June Worcester Radio Amateurs Association is performing maintenance on the shack antennas. For more information email Rich Moles, 2E0MOL, via secretary@m0zoo.co.uk.

On Wednesday 29 June Lincoln Short-Wave Club is having a talk on the work of the RAIBC. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

On Wednesday 29 June Midland Amateur Radio Society is planning for field day, holding training classes and a debrief of the weekend's 80th birthday celebrations. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 01214 229 787.

On Wednesday 29 June South Kesteven Amateur Radio Society is having an informal evening. Contact Nigel, M0CVO, on 01476 402550.

On Wednesday 29 June Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a 2m DF and BBQ at the LWVH field. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677. On Thursday 30 June Salop Amateur Radio Society is having a fox hunt. Details on the club website at www.salop-ars.org.uk.

On Thursday 30 June South Birmingham Radio Society is having training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Friday 1 July Coventry Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on the Projected Picture Trust. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777363.

On Friday 1 July Lincoln Short-Wave Club commences its weekend event for VHF National Field Day. More information from Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

On Friday 1 July South Birmingham Radio Society is loading its trailer for VHF NFD. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Saturday 2 July Hucknall Rolls Royce Amateur Radio Club commences its weekend VHF NFD operation at Crich in Derbyshire. More information from Dave Wilde, G1YAI, on 0844 4355593.

On Saturday 2 July South Birmingham Radio Society begins its weekend event for VHF NFD on site at Waysley Hills. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Saturday 2 July Telford & District Amateur Radio Society starts its weekend event for VHF NFD at Long Mynd. All are welcome. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Sunday 3 July Coventry Amateur Radio Society is running GB4BLC at the 30th Signal Regiment open day at Gamecock Barracks, Bramcote, Warwickshire. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777363.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND On Monday 27 June Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on operating procedure and best practice by Nancy Bone. All are welcome. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 0191 477 0036.

On Monday 27 June Bolton Wireless Club is holding a 2m direction finding field event, starting from the Britannia Hotel. For details, send an email to boltonwireless@gmail.com.

On Monday 27 June Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is making final preparations for VHF NFD. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 27 June South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having a technical forum. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 0161 969 3999.

On Monday 27 June Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is discussing VHF Field Day. Details on the web at www.tcars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 28 June Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is meeting at the Church of the Good Shepherd at Mytholmroyd. Contact Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341317.

On Wednesday 29 June Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is holding its 3rd fox hunt. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240573.

On Thursday 30 June Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air and having a club night. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 0787 608 5631. On Thursday 30 June South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having talks on the PICaxe PIC & PIC Basic. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 0161 969 3999.

On Friday 1 July East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is on the air. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Saturday 2 July Sheffield Amateur Radio Club commences its weekend event for the VHF NFD Contest as G2AS/P at Wharncliffe. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND On Saturday 2 July Bangor & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a review of its 2010 rally. Contact Mike, GI4XSF, on 028 4277 2383.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday 28 June Kilmarnock & Loudoun Amateur Radio Club is having a club night. Contact Graham, MM3GDC, by email to mm3gdc@btinternet.com.

On Tuesday 28 June Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society has Morse code practice. Details from Norman, on 07740 946192.

On Wednesday 29 June Ayr Amateur Radio Group is having a presentation about Bletchley Park, then starts its summer recess. Details from Tom Ferguson, GM1OST, on 01292 532 088.

On Wednesday 29 June West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society has Solder Group homebrew projects & licence training. More information from Fred Coombes, 2M0BIN, on 01415 715512.

On Friday 1 July Moray Firth Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by Practical Wireless editor Rob Mannion. There is an admission charge of
£5 which will include refreshments. Talk-in will be provided through GB3SS. More information from Barry, GM4TOE, by email to gm4toe@btconnect.com.

On Saturday 2 July Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club commences its weekend event for VHF Field Day. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA On Sunday 26 June Coalhouse Fort Amateur Radio Society is holding an open day. Contact John Parker, M1DUC, by email to coalhouserad1o@yahoo.com.

On Sunday 26 June East Kent Radio Society is having a meeting and picnic at Stelling Minnis. Details from Karl Davies, M1DFM, on 01227 710120.

On Monday 27 June Felixtowe & District Amateur Radio Society is holding its rally. More information from Paul, G4YQC, by email to pjw@btinternet.com.

On Monday 27 June Radio Society of Harrow is working amateur satellites at Old Reading. More information from Linda, G7RJL, on 0208 386 8586.
On Tuesday 28 June Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720815.

On Tuesday 28 June Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is having a club net night. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Tuesday 28 June Dorking & District Radio Society is having a talk on electrical safety by Robin Page- Jones, G3JWI. Contact Garth, G3NPC, on 01737 359472.

On Tuesday 28 June Harwell Amateur Radio Society is having a shack activity night. Contact Malcolm, G8NRP, on 01235 524844.

On Wednesday 29 June Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a pedestrian DF hunt. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday 29 June Havering & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a junk sale. More information from John, M0UKD, on 07890 222111.

On Wednesday 29 June Norfolk Amateur Radio Club has an informal, construction, shack and Bright Sparks evening. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898678.

On Wednesday 29 June Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is putting GX3WOR on the air. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816684.

On Thursday 30 June Bittern DX Group is holding its AGM at Pinewood Park. Details from Linda, G0AJJ, on 01692 404154.

On Thursday 30 June Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is planning for VHF NFD with Andy, G8ATD. Details from David, G8UOD, on 01234 742 757.

On Friday 1 July Crystal Palace Radio and Electronics Club is having a construction evening. Contact Bob, G3OOU, on 01737 552 170.

On Friday 1 July Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a windmills evening, the hall is closed. Contact Peter, G4AKG, on 01444 239371.

On Friday 1 July Wey Valley Amateur Radio Group is holding its summer barbecue. Details on the web at www.weyvalleyarg.org.uk.

On Saturday 2 July Bittern DX Group commences its weekend event for the RSGB VHF Field Day Contest.. Details from Linda, G0AJJ, on 01692 404154.

On Saturday 2 July Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720815.

On Saturday 2 July East Kent Radio Society is having a BBQ at Paul Nicholson's house. Details from Karl Davies, M1DFM, on 01227 710120.

On Saturday 2 July Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society is operating GB2NWA for the Air- Britain Fly-In at North Weald Airfield. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 020 8502 1645.

On Saturday 2 July Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club commences its weekend event for VHF Field Day as G8PIR/P. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564242. On Saturday 2 July Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society starts its weekend event for VHF National Field Day. Details from David, G8UOD, on 01234 742 757.

On Sunday 3 July Felixtowe & District Amateur Radio Society is operating GB2FX at Landguard Museum, Felixstowe with Darrell Day. More information from Paul, G4YQC, by email to pjw@btinternet.com.

On Sunday 3 July Horndean & District Amateur Radio Club is having a club coach trip to Bath. Contact Stuart, G0FYX, on 023 9247 2846.

On Sunday 3 July Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is at the Barford Rally. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898678.

On Sunday 3 July Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its breakfast meeting in Goring. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816684.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST On Monday 27 June Bristol RSGB Group is having its Christmas social at the new venue, The Compass, Tormarton. Details from Robin, G3TKF, on 01225 420442.

On Monday 27 June Exeter Amateur Radio Society is having a club night at the Moose Centre. More information from Nick, on 01363 775756.

On Tuesday 28 June Blackmoor Vale Amateur Radio Society is having a hilltop radio evening at Win Green Hill. The club house is closed. Contact Tony, G0GFL, on 01258 860741.

On Thursday 30 June South Bristol Amateur Radio Club has a briefing for VHF National Field Day. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695471.

On Thursday 30 June Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having an activity night and preparing for the IOTA Contest. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317750.

On Thursday 30 June Yeovil Amateur Radio Club is holding a committee meeting. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk.

On Friday 1 July Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

On Saturday 2 July Plymouth Radio Club commences its weekend event for RSGB VHF National Field Day at Tor Royal Lane Field, Princetown. Details from Chris, M0ZCP, on 07834 767 161.

On Saturday 2 July South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is holding its weekend event for VHF National Field Day. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695471.

NEWS FOR WALES No news items have been received for Wales this week.

601. WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING June 26 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-06-24 20:36:03 UTC
From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
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Please.. If you are only submitting text and not audio, write your story as
you would expect to hear it being read back and NEVER send just links & url's.

WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING June 26 2011.

"Peace, Environment and Natural Disasters".

e-QSO for the CB Service in VK denied

THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING JUNE 26 2011.

TIM THE TRACKER MAN

VK4TIM has been at it again and has successfully tracked down further
interference on VHF in Brisbane. He had had contact with ACMA advising him
that they had located a radiating personal computer at an address.

VK4TIM was unaware that it was a PC, but suspected that it was interference
caused by an unintentional radiator.

The PC was radiating over an area of Morningside, and was enough to interfere
with VK4RBN while driving past. The owners of the PC have been told to get
their PC repaired and not to operate it until it has been.

Our friends at theACMA offices are on our side and will assist us when we have
interference issues, although it is our duty to remain vigilant and pay
attention when we hear unusual things that aren't right, locate it and report
it.

(Tim VK4TIM)

PIRACY ON THE HIGH SEAS

mysailing.com has a worthwhile article for all our maritime mobile hams who are lucky enough to be roaming the high seas.

They seriously recommend avoiding countries and regions where piracy is rife (your insurance will generally exclude coverage there) and be cautious and educate yourself about areas with lower, but existing risks.

Areas of risk in our neck of the woods include Indonesia, PNG, Port Moresby.

They offer suggestions such as having a second wallet with small amount of cash, expired credit card and perhaps a cheap watch to give aggressive intruders.

Always lock hatches and ports when leaving the vessel and leave lights and music on if going ashore in the evening.

In questionable areas, it may be prudent to turn off your A.I.S. transmitter while underway.

Be modest in your appearance at all times, on deck and ashore.

Don't even consider purchasing firearms, but do purchase pepper spray.

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

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web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news

SARFEST - Sunday 7 August, ALL WELCOME, BE THERE.

All traders, sellers, buyers, gawkers, walkers, talkers, just come for the hell of it.

Set up is Saturday afternoon, 6 Aug.

Sunday 7 Aug, open for traders 0700K, others 0800K.

TRADERS INTENDING TO ATTEND ARE ASKED TO CONFIRM TO vk2src@sarc.org.au

All and any traders a are cordially invited to attend and sell your goods.

SARC will have a disposals table, plenty on it if you have things to sell but not enough for a table, sell them on the SARC table at 10% to SARC.

The Blue Mountains amateur radio club holds a HF NET ON 3.543 kHz on Tuesday night at 8pm, it also holds a 2 metre net on the club repeater 147.050 / 147.650, the repeater superimposes a 67Hz CTCSS subtone on Transmit for those who wish to use this feature.

A 123Hz CTCSS Subtone is required to access this repeater.

The Blue Mountains amateur radio club is holding its annual WINTERFEST on Sunday August 28th entry is $5 more details can be found by contacting the club.

(Danny Clark VK2FDCA)

Oxley Region Amateur Radio Club's annual Field Day.

Despite the wet and windy weather the event was a great success with 80 registrations and a full program of activities. Congratulations to Ashley VK2XSO of Tamworth on winning the coveted title of Foxhunt Champion.

The Tacking Point Surf Club Hall was an excellent venue.

The club's special event callsign VI40BOR which celebrates the club's 40th anniversary was activated during the Field Day weekend, and will be activated periodically until the anniversary on the 2nd of October 2011.

(vk2wi)

VK4 QNEWS

Welcome to QNews from VK4WIA. I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP, and I've been thinking.

Way back when milk was delivered un pasteurised, radio broadcasters largely depended on the telephone service for program relay to affiliated stations and from OB's. Then along came Sputnik and the amateur radio Oscars. Moving along, Australia got on board by launching its own commercial satellites. In the mean time amateur operators were pointing antennas at the sky and working the world using vhf through to microwave frequencies.

It was like magic when television footage circled the world in hours with the aid of satellite networks. Now actuality coverage of events is the norm rather than waiting for the aeroplane having to deliver cine film to illuminate previous radio and press reports.

In the mix of things, it was thought a good idea to relay broadcast material through satellites. It certainly provided benefits but as experience has shown, these extra-terrestrial relays are subject to fades from meteor showers and moisture attenuation.

The reliability of the old system was sacrificed, and as I understand it many of the networks have abandoned satellite relay for fibre-optic services.

I find it frustrating to lose programs on radio and/or TV because of rain falling on some remote ground station. Funnily the pay TV and the satellite internet services can be unaffected whilst I am hearing "we apologise for this break in service" messages. It demonstrates a lot of principles of signal propagation that we touched on when studying for our amateur tickets. Even the big boys don't get it right, at times.

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think....how about you.

CLUBBING - TO SUPPLY NEWS ITEMS:-
email qnews@wia.org.au

MARYBOROUGH RADIO AND ELECTRONICS CLUB
For more info, call Secretary Kathy Johns 040-939-8853
Email: kathy.johns@bigpond.com
Channel 14 UHF CB call "CQ MERG"

Hi, this is VK4TPT, Ray Stockdale from MERG, the Maryborough Electronics & Radio Group in Queensland, and I've been thinking. (Oops! Sorry Geoff! That's your line!)

How many out there have, like me, a pile of radios, antennas, parts thereof and other assorted bits and pieces that you always planned to do something with but never got around to?

You know what I'm talking about. All that stuff in boxes under the bench, on top of the cupboard, under the house and just about everywhere else.

Here's an idea. Gather it together and come along to the Wide Bay Hamfest on Saturday the 16th of July at the West Scout Hall in Ariadne St. Maryborough.

Places are still available, either indoors or in the car-boot area.

Doors open at 07:00 for exhibitors, or 09:00 for general entry.

$5 will secure a place and include two persons.

You don't have anything excess to requirements? Maybe there is something you've been looking for years.

In which case, or, if you just like to look around, perhaps have a coffee and meet up with those Amateurs you have spoken to on air, come along.

Public entry is $5 per person.

Looking forward to meeting you there.

TABLELANDS RADIO AND ELECTRONICS CLUB
vk4wat@wia.org.au
www.treclub.org.au

G'Day again from the chilly north this is Dale VK4DMC for the Tablelands Radio and Electronics Club, TREC, in Far North Queensland.

As reported a couple of weeks ago Gary VK4FD and Jeff VK4BOF, alias Snoopy and Charlie Brown, activated Etheridge shire using the TREC call-sign VK4WAT for the VK-Shires contest.

The intrepid duo setup at Mount Surprise and were on air in time for the start of the contest.

The bands were in good shape and provided many contacts into a large number of VK shires. They also managed to work 31 CQ zones which is a very good achievement considering there are only 40 CQ zones worldwide available to work.

The next TREC meeting will be held on Saturday the 25th of June at our clubrooms. If you are reading this early and are in the area please feel free to call by and say G'Day. A map showing the location of the TREC clubrooms is available on the WIA website in the radio clubs menu.

TREC members are gearing up for a five day communications support effort for the Far North Horse Endurance Riders. With early starts and temperatures hovering around 4 to 5 degrees it should prove to be lots of fun albeit a little chilly.

Well that's your lot for this week.

Visit the TREC website at www.treclub.org.au for club information and you can also download the latest monthly club news in TREC-NEWS. Past issues are also available on the site.

This has been Dale VK4DMC and you are listening to the WIA news. Travel Well!

ACMA NEWS

Historic changes to CB radio

The Australian Communications and Media Authority (AMCA) has announced further amendments to the Citizen Band Service.

UHF CB Australia Director, Ray Oaff said the developments are the result of two year's work and includes more channels being available for the benefit of more than one million people in Australia each day.

His was one of 17 who made a submission. Most agreed with additional channels by reducing their width down to 12.5 kHz, relaxation of the telemetry and telecommand duty cycle, and allowing transmission of station identification and position information.

While a new equipment standard (AS/NZA 4365:2010) was released on 27 January, in defining a new 80 channel standard, the AMCA has now set 2017 as the end of the phase-in of narrowband.

Similar changes will occur in New Zealand. A few wanted legitimisation of e-QSO for the CB Service, but this has been denied.

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

EDUCATION YOUTH AND ADVANCEMENT OF AMATEUR RADIO
www.hamcollege.com.au

Youngsters On The Air

The VERON website reports that in July-August youth teams will be going to Romania for a European Commission supported project called 'Youngsters On The Air'.

This Dutch team is led by Lisa Leenders PA2LS, other participating national teams are from Belgium, Bulgaria, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Slovenia and Romania.

It's good to see many of the world's leading Amateur Bodies and societies really getting to the grass roots level and encouraging kids, after all they are our bloodline!

South Africa also pays tribute to "da kids" as Jason Daniels reports in a moment during the international news... Maybe time our WIA looked at this oft neglected area!

Schedule for Youngsters On The Air
http://www.veron.nl/actueel/download/Programma_Youngsters_On_the_Air.pdf

VERON in Google English
http://tinyurl.com/NetherlandsVERON

SILENT KEY

It is with regret that we announce the passing of Bob Barnes VK2FRCS.

Bob was better known as the owner of RCS Pty. Ltd., a provider of printed circuit boards to amateur radio operators and the general electronic community as a whole, from the professional to the hobbyist.

A funeral service was held Friday 24th at Sefton.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART and the WW sources of the WIA.

Ham killer jailed

The BBC is reporting that a John Cooper has been convicted for the 1989 murder of Radio Amateur Peter Dixon and his wife Gwenda.

Read the full report by BBC news at the url in today's text edition of your WIA National News.

http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-wales-south-west-wales-13538545

WHAT DO YOUNG SOUTH AFRICANS THINK ABOUT AMATEUR RADIO?

In an interview with 5 young radio amateurs between the ages of 11 and 17, they shared their views about amateur radio. It was transmitted in a special youth day broadcast which was on the air just before the Youth Day Sprint on 16 June.

You can listen to it on www.hamradio.org.za, the new website the SARL is developing with the focus on young people.

Limerick 2m repeater vandalised

The Limerick Radio Club's 2m repeater is off the air until further notice due to vandalism.

The services affected are the voice repeater function, IRLP and Echolink.

Club members are doing their utmost to restore the repeater as soon as possible.

Significant damage has been done which will incur additional unplanned expense on the club funds.

caught red-handed at a Florida radio station

Police in Brevard County, Florida had some help when it came down to tracking a copper thief: They had help from Clear Channel Radio.

Cocoa Beach, Florida's WMMV-AM (1350) was knocked off the air over the weekend when someone broke in and stole copper and other items from the transmitter.

What the burglar did not know was that Clear Channel had placed surveillance cameras at the site and they caught a number of images of the thief in action, including facial shots and some with the man carrying tools used in the

break-in.

The tapes were handed to police, who also did not have to look far to find the copper thief, who lived two doors away from the transmitter site!

All of the stolen property was recovered and returned to Clear Channel Radio

(RADIO.INFO)

Millions of folk have implantable medical devices, from pacemakers and defibrillators to brain stimulators and drug pumps; worldwide, 300,000 more people receive them every year.

Most such devices have wireless connections, so that doctors can monitor patients' vital signs or revise treatment programs.

But recent research has shown that this leaves the devices vulnerable to attack: In the worst-case scenario, an attacker could kill a victim by instructing an implantable device to deliver lethal doses of medication or electricity.

At the Association for Computing Machinery's upcoming Sigcomm conference, researchers from M.I.T. and the University of Massachusetts-Amherst (UMass) will present a new system for preventing such attacks.

The system uses a second transmitter to jam unauthorized signals in an implant's operating frequency, permitting only authorized users to communicate with it. Because the jamming transmitter, rather than the implant, would handle encryption and authentication, the system would work even with existing implants.

The researchers envision that the jamming transmitter - which they call a shield - would be small enough to wear as a necklace or a watch.

(TODAYS MEDICAL DEVELOPEMENTS)

2011 DAYTON HAMVENTION: CHECK OUT THE NEW PRODUCTS THAT DEBUTED AT DAYTON

One of the most exciting things at the Dayton Hamvention each year is the introduction of new products. This year was no exception. From HF transceivers to receivers to test equipment to station equipment, there was a plethora of new products just about everywhere you turned.

Read more and as we always say, the address is best read at wia.org.au in this weeks National News.

http://www.arrl.org/news/new-products-at-dayton-2011

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

SCIENTISTS SAY SOLAR CYCLE HEADED INTO LIMBO

For years, astronomers and space scientists have
been predicting the Sun would move into solar
maximum by around 2012. During this period there

would be many intense flares and lots of sunspot activity. Now they are thinking that the opposite may be happening and Amateur Radio Newsline's Michael Grebert, KJ4ZZV, has the details:

According to three studies released in the United States on Tuesday, June 14th, experts believe the familiar sunspot cycle may be shutting down and heading toward a pattern of inactivity unseen since the 17th century.

According to experts from the National Solar Observatory and Air Force Research Laboratory, the signs of this include a missing jet stream, quickly fading spots, and slower activity near the poles.

Frank Hill is the Associate Director of the National Solar Observatory 's Solar Synoptic Network. At a meeting of the American Astronomical Society's Solar Physics Division in Las Cruces, New Mexico Hill said that the fact that three completely different views of the Sun point in the same direction is a powerful indicator that the sunspot cycle may be going into hibernation.

As every ham knows, solar activity tends to rise and fall in 11 year cycles. The solar maximum and solar minimum each mark about half the interval of the magnetic pole reversal on the Sun, which happens every 22 years.

According to Hill, the current cycle, number 24, may be the last normal one for some time but the next one, cycle 25, may not happen for some time. He adds that this is important because the solar cycle causes space weather which affects modern technology and may contribute to climate change.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Michael Grebert, KJ4ZZV, reporting from Music City, Nashville, Tennessee.

Experts are now probing whether this period of inactivity could be a second Maunder Minimum. This was a 70-year period from 1645 to 1715 when hardly any sunspots were observed. For ham radio such a prolonged solar minimum would mean very little in the way of High Frequency DX for a very long time. The complete article titled Scientists Predict Rare Hibernation of Sunspots can be found using the shortcut of tinyurl.com/slowsun

NORWEGIAN HAMS PROVIDE FLOOD COMMUNICATIONS

Norway's national amateur radio society, the
NRRL, reports that radio amateurs have been
providing communications assistance following recent flooding in that nation.

The NRRL says that as a result of the flooding
and landslides in Oppland and Hedmark, the
telecoms company Telenor has had substantial
problems with its mobile phone network. Because
of the outages the Main Rescue Coordination
Centre for Southern Norway has requested assistance from NRRL.

Communications were set up between southern
Norway and Lillehammer. Repeaters around Oslo
have also been used. More about the situation in
Google translated English is on the web at tinyurl.com/NorwayNRRL

HAM RADIO PUBLIC RELATIONS: PROMOTING ARRL FIELD DAY 2011

The ARRL has released a new press kit along with
a set of two new Public Service Announcements to
publicize Field Day, 2011. The press kit
contains just about everything a club needs to
publicize Field Day and its own operations. But
it's the Public Service Announcements that will
likely get the most attention if you are willing
to download them, burn them to C-D's and drop off
copies at your local radio stations.

What do they sound like? Here's one of them. Take a listen:

Actual PSA

Yes that's Don Carlson, KQ6FM, whose voice you
regularly here on Amateur Radio Newsline. But
this week Don is in another role as spokesman for
the upcoming ARRL Field Day event. To get a copy
of the new Field Day promotional spots that Don
has created please take your web browser to
tinyurl.com/fielddaypsa and download the audio
file marked Field Day 2011. The complete ARRL
Field Day press kit itself is at tinyurl.com/fielddaypress

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2011

June 25 WIA VK/ZL Trans Tasman 160 mtr SSB

July 9 WIA 160m CW & Digital Trans-Tasman contest

Aug 20-21 WW I.L.L.W.

Oct 22 WIA Jack Files Contest

2012

January VK Ross Hull Memorial VHF UHF Contest

March 17-18 VK JOHN MOYLE MEMORIAL FIELD DAY

June Long Weekend (vk4 time) VK Shires Contest.

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

SIX Meter Repeater VK3RDD

The Gippsland Gate Radio and Electronics Club are currently overhauling their 6 m repeater VK3RDD located at Cockatoo. Albert VK3BQO and Geoff VK3ZGW have spent considerable time and effort designing a new repeater controller to replace the existing one..

The new controller can be adapted to fit into any new or existing repeater installation regardless of frequency.

This will be a major rebuild of VK3RDD which has been operating for many years of reliable service until recent times.

Upgraded TX/Rx equipment will also be included.

They expect their repeater to be back in operation in approx. 3 weeks and apologize to regular users for this essential outage.

Please direct any enquiries / comments to secretary@ggrec.org.au

On the air, keep an ear open for EF8M operating from the Canary Islands during the RSGB Islands on the Air Contest on July 30th and the 31st as a Multi-Operator, All-Band, High-Power entry.

Operators mentioned are RD3A, EA8CAC and UA5C.

QSL via UA3DX.

BROADCAST MONITORING SWL AND SCANNER NEWS

The US National Association of Shortwave Broadcasters

The NASB will team with Dallas-based transmitter maker Continental Electronics will host the first U.S. meeting of a High-Frequency Coordination Conference and Arab States Broadcasting Union conference, Sept. 12-16, in Dallas.

Officially the conference gathering of shortwave broadcast professionals is expected to pull approximately 100 delegates from 40 countries.

The NASB is encouraging US shortwave professionals to attend to make a good showing.

'This will be an excellent opportunity - to meet with the world's shortwave broadcasters, and to discuss some of the new platforms of delivery for such as the Internet, satellites, podcasts, etc.

Topics dealing with programming, audience research and others are also being planned for the agenda.

(IRTS)

Danish public-service broadcaster Denmark's Radio (DR) has shifted some of its programming from medium wave to long wave.

On June 16, a new 50 kW transmitter on 243 kHz was activated at their Kalundborg transmission site in Denmark's West.

DR will simulcast programming on the long wave channel until June 27, when it will end its medium-wave broadcasts from the site on 1062 kHz.

The existing medium-wave broadcasts uses a 250 kW transmitter.

Previously, DR used a 300 kW long wave transmitter at Kalundborg until February 2007. The channel has been entirely vacant in Europe since 2008 when Turkey ended long wave broadcasts.

INTRUDER WATCH - ENFORCEMENT ZONE

Region III IARUMS Coordinator Peter Young VK3MV

VK IARUMS reflector email to subscribe intruders@wia.org.au

INTRUDER NETS
Friday 0730 UTC 7.065.5 with VK4CEU David.

Amateur exclusive frequencies where any non-amateur signal is definitely an intruder.

Amateur HF Spectrum world wide
7.050 to 7.100
14.000 to 14.250
14.250 to 14.350 No broadcasters
21.000 to 21.450
24.890 to 24.990
28.000 to 29.700

WORLDBEAT INTRUDER WATCH: ONE NEW AND ONE GONE ON 15 METERS

The May issue of the IARU Monitoring System newsletter reports that our Australian Over-The Horizon Radar has been heard in the 15 meter amateur band.

On a more positive note the same issue of the newsletter reports that the Russian Yakhta vocoder system has disappeared from its self ascribed home on 21.0015 MHz.

The complete newsletter can be read on-line in PDF format
tinyurl.com/may2011iarums

(arnewsline)

MEDIA WATCH
www.cq-amateur-radio.com/WorldRadio.html
VK Club Bulletins http://groups.yahoo.com/group/aarnie/

Inside Amateur Radio magazine for July

On last week's broadcast we covered the topics of the annual convention held this time in Darwin, the posthumous review of QSLing by Neil Penfold VK6NE,

now a silent key, and the cover story review ICOMs IC-9100 transceiver.

The reviewers reach the conclusion that the long-awaited IC-9100 contains must interest whether you are a lowbander, a HFer, a VHF/UHF FM operator, or microwaver, this radio will cover your needs.

This week we draw attention to the extensive writings of WIA President Michael Owen who details what the WIA Board of Directors has been doing for us all.

Well worth a read.

In DX news, we learn how David McAulay VK3EW regained the top spot on the Australian DXCC by getting QSL's from the four new DX entities with the changes to the former Netherland Antilles.

And continuing the DX theme is good news that the sunspot cycle is likely to peak by 2014, a run-down on the upcoming DXpeditions, plus lots more.

The VHF, UHF and Microwaves are well covered. There's timely reminder on the running of Gippsland Technical Conference, GippTech 2011.

AMSAT, ALARA and Shortwave Listening interests are included. Amateur Radio magazine, a WIA membership service is also available through selected news agents.

I'm Barry Robinson VK3PV and you are listening to VK1WIA.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ATV (Every pixel tells a story) - Video
arvideonews.com
hamradiotube.com
youtube.com
qdg.org.au

Get ready for ARRISat-1 SSTV reception.

The ARISSat-1 FM downlink on 145.950 MHz includes live SSTV images as part of the cycling voice ID, select spoken telemetry values, and the international greeting messages.

One fun feature is that there are four SSTV cameras mounted on the spacecraft. On photos of ARISSat-1 you may have noticed black brackets on the outside of the spacecraft. These hold the mirrors that reflect the light onto the lens of the cameras. The software-defined-transponder will use the image data from the cameras to generate the SSTV downlink.

ARISSat's software will sequentially select a new or stored image from one the four cameras. There are two pre-recorded images as part of the sequence. The camera that took the picture can be identified by the colour of the call sign in the upper left of the SSTV image. The SSTV image will be sent down as FM audio SSTV in Robot 36 format on 145.950 MHz about every 140 seconds.

Here are some pointers to help you get your station ready to receive and display the SSTV pictures transmitted by ARISSat-1.

The RF downlink power on the 145.950 MHz FM downlink will be 250mW which is predicted to provide a link margin around 6 dB on an HT with a 'big whip' when the satellite is at 15 degrees elevation. This should be sufficient to receive SSTV pictures although you may need to orient the whip to line up the antenna polarization.

ARISSat-1 is not stabilized so the antenna orientation is unpredictable and a certain amount of fading will happen. The receiving link margin may be improved with a handheld beam.

http://www.wa5vjb.com/references/Cheap%20Antennas-LEOs.pdf

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

AMSAT-VK UNOFFICIAL HF Net.
2nd Sunday each month.
April through October 1000 UTC 3.685 MHz
November through March 0900 UTC 7.068 MHz

UNIVERSITY SEEKS HAM RADIO ASSISTANCE IN SATURN MISSION PREPARATIONS

Ham radio has been invited to take part in the preparations for the upcoming exploration of the planet Saturn by remote satellites. This if a group of tiny Cornell University-developed satellites travel to the ringed planet sometime within the next decade.

The exploration will be done using tiny micro-sized chip satellites called Sprites.

As they flutter down through Saturn's atmosphere, they will collect data about chemistry, radiation and particle impacts while transmitting as beacons with 10 milliwatts of RF power.

Tests of the Sprites is ongoing. Three prototypes of these chip satellites were mounted on the International Space Station after the space shuttle Endeavour delivered them on its final flight.

During testing of these micro sized birds, the help of radio amateurs is required. If you would like to serve as one of those trying detecting this signal from one of the Sprites, please follow up by e-mail to zrm3.cornell.edu

More information is on-line at
tinyurl.com/3fs5ks7 and www.spacecraftresearch.com/blog

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- INTERNET --- THE HAMS DOMAIN
TWITTER http://twitter.com/VK1WIA
www.HamRadioNation.com

Internet body throws open domain names

good.food, learnto.salsa, wiameans.help - people companies and organisations will be able to set up a website with almost any address by the end of 2012 IF they have a legitimate claim to the domain name and can pay a hefty fee.

The Internet body that oversees domain names has voted to end restricting them to suffixes like .com or .gov and will receive applications for new names from January 12 2012

"It's the biggest change I think we have seen on the Internet," Peter Dengate Thrush, chairman of the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN), told reporters. "We have provided a platform for the next generation of creativity and inspiration."

"It's the next expansion of the Internet, it's the future of the Internet," said Kieren McCarthy, the CEO of .Nxt,Inc, a San Francisco-based company which covers Internet policy and governance issues. "I think our kids will think that we were crazy to always talk about .coms"

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RADIO SCOUTING
http://www.scouts.com.au
http://www.scout.org/jota
http://www.international.scouts.com.au

CALLING FREQUENCIES
Please QSY off the calling frequency after establishing communication.

Australian voice calling frequencies:
3.650, 7.090, 14.190, 21.190, 28.590, 52.160

World CW calling frequencies:
3.570, 7.030, 14.060, 18.080, 21.140, 24.910, 28.180, 50.160

World voice calling frequencies:
3.690 & 3.940 MHz, 7.090 & 7.190, 14.290, 18.140, 21.360,
24.960, 28.390, 50.160

Calling frequencies for Slow Scan TV (SSTV):
3.630, 7.033, 14.227

Calling Frequencies for PSK31
14.070

JOTA 2011 theme announced

The theme of the Jamboree on the Air to be held on the 15-16 October is "Peace, Environment and Natural Disasters".

IARU International Coordinator for Emergency Communications, Hans Zimmermann F5VKP/ F/HB9AQS, said "This year's JOTA theme is an excellent opportunity to raise the awareness for the role of the Amateur Radio Service in disaster situations."

Hans believes we should all support this initiative by direct contact between the respective emergency communications groups and JOTA organisers.

World JOTA organiser of the World Scout Bureau, Richard Middlecoop PA3BAR, has asked for help to establish contacts between national JOTA organisers and emergency communications groups.

Information about JOTA/JOTI can be found at:
http://scout.org/en/information_events/events/jota/the_54th_jota_2011

Richard Middelkoop can be reached at RMiddelkoop@scout.org

(Jim Linton VK3PC, Chairman, IARU Region 3, Disaster Communications Committee)

Nighthawk happening now !

As the WIA news goes to air this morning some VK4 radio amateurs are wrapping up an overnight activity to provide vital communications support for Scouting youth members doing the hard slog through crocodile and taipan infested land.

The Kennedy Region Scouts 2011 Operation Nighthawk started on Saturday evening and only just finished a little while ago, today Sunday 26 with a course that traversed suburban Pallarenda and the rugged trails of the Townsville Town Common.

Over 90 youth members trekked through 5 radio checkpoints manned by Townsville Amateur Radio club members utilising VHF voice and data channels plus also using UHF to VHF cross-band repeating from vehicles to enhance operator portability and endurance.

Planning is already advanced for Kennedy Region Nighthawk 2012, if you reside Townsville way have a think about helping out with that event !

SOCIAL SCENE

2011

Jul 9 VK2e Waverley A R S annual auction at Rose Bay club rooms

Jul 16 VK3 Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club Hamfest
Cranbourne Community Hall 10am (secretary@ggrec.org.au)

Jul 16 VK4 Maryborough Electronics and Radio Group "Wide Bay Hamfest"
West Scout Hall, Ariadne St, Maryborough 8:30am.
secretary@merg.org.au

Jul 31 VK2/3 Riverina Field Day 10am at Lavington Scout Group Hall.

Aug 7 VK2 Lismore region - SARCFEST

Aug 28 VK2 Blue Mountains amateur radio club's annual WINTERFEST

Sep 11 VK3 SADARC Comms Day at St Augustine's Hall Shepparton 10am.

Sep 16-18 VK4 NQ Amateur Radio Convention Date Set Townsville

Sep 23-28 R3 Region 3 ARDF Championship Bendigo VK3
http://r3.ardf.org.au/

Sep 30-Oct 2 VK4 Central Highlands Amateur Radio Club AGM at Camp Fairbairn
CONTACT Secretary Gordon, (vk4kal@wia.org.au)

Nov 20 vk5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society Hamfest
Goodwood Community Centre, Rosa St Goodwood at 0930.

Visit www.ahars.com.au for contact details

2012

15TH IARU REGION 3 CONFERENCE hosted by V.A.R.C. in Ho-Chi-Minh City, Vietnam.

JAN 23-FEB 17 YEAR 2012
World Radio Conference WRC-11 Geneva 23rd January TO 17th February 2012

FEB 26 VK2 CCARC WYONG FIELD DAY

MAY 3-18 VK5 YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

Submitting news items

If you would like to submit news items for inclusion in the VK1WIA broadcasts, please email your item in text to nationalnews@wia.org.au

to submit audio read "how to submit items" in the weekly news page on wia.org.au

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being broadcast in the very next edition of WIA National News.

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Call-backs follow the RF editions, but also for text readers you may lodge a quick reply to let us know you read it, who knows, you might even get a "cheerio call".

Thanks to to our dedicated band of broadcast volunteers who utilize their time and equipment in bringing you this weekly broadcast.

The purpose of "WIANews" is to rapidly provide news of interest to active amateurs residing in Australia and the globe.

We strongly encourage membership in the Wireless Institute of Australia and participation in the activities of local clubs.

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http://lists.wia.org.au/mailman/listinfo/vk1wia-news

602. SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 26 JUNE 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-06-25 19:00:24 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <20110625190008.C23F833C5F@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4392
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 26 JUNE 2011

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. PLEASE NOTE: for audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail. Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 and 3,695 MHz SSB. In the news today:

URGENT NOTICE TO ALL AMATEUR LICENSEES

THE SUN SHOWS WHO'S BOSS!

GEAR UP FOR THE ANNUAL SARL HF CONTESTS

RTA HEADS FOR DURBAN

HABEX BALLOON FLIGHT

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting news items.

URGENT NOTICE TO ALL AMATEUR LICENSEES

While we have covered this announcement in previous SARL News bulletins and it is available on the web, the SARL is still receiving calls from radio amateurs who find that their callsign has been allocated to another person. We therefore repeat the earlier announcement:

ICASA has cancelled over 34 000 radio licenses that have remained unpaid for the past 365 days. This includes all amateur radio licenses that are unpaid. Check that you have paid your license and if you do not have a valid printed license or an official receipt call ICASA at 011 566 3313 or 011 566 3319 between 08:30 - 16:00 Monday - Friday. PLEASE HAVE YOUR LICENSE NUMBER HANDY. If your amateur license was cancelled call now and ICASA will re-instate it if you can prove payment. If you have not paid, do so now using the information and account number on your last license.

THE SUN SHOWS WHO'S BOSS!

The Sun is doing strange things. Last we carried a story that said that scientists some years ago predicted that the Sun would move into solar maximum by around 2012. During this period there would be many intense flares and lots of sunspot activity. Now they are thinking that the opposite may be happening. According to three studies released in the United States on Tuesday 14 June, experts believe the familiar sunspot cycle may be shutting down and heading toward a pattern of inactivity unseen since the 17th century.

But last week the Sun reacted with revenge. The first day of southern winter began with a solar flare. Magnetic fields above sunspot complex 1 236 erupted during the early hours of June 21st, hurling a coronal mass ejection (CME) almost directly toward Earth. The incoming CME does not appear to be particularly potent; nevertheless, the cloud could trigger polar geomagnetic storms when it reaches Earth on or about June 23rd. Makes you wonder! The original story can be read on www.sarl.org.za, select Amateur Radio TODAY from the left hand menu.

GEAR UP FOR THE ANNUAL SARL HF CONTESTS

On the 7th August the annual SARL HF contest will take place. Get ready now to take part in this annual premier event. This is followed by the SARL CW HF contest on August 28. Trophies are awarded to winners in various categories of both contests. Some of the trophies have a long history. It will be prestigious to have your name engraved on the base of the trophy and to receive the trophy and miniature shield at the annual awards banquet. Various lucky draw prizes will be awarded to each person entering a log with 10 or more contacts.

Listeners are also reminded of various other contests coming up. The 3rd leg of the QRP contest will be held on 16 July followed by the 4th leg of the Club contest on the 27th July.

On August 9 the SARL YL Sprint takes place. The winning YL will receive a large display of flowers and chocolates. There will also be a lucky draw for YLs who submit a log.

On the 21st August is the 3rd leg of the Digital contest.

The SARL HF and Contest Manager, Geoff Levey, ZS6GRL, said that it would nice to hear all the "new amateurs" taking part in these contests. "It is an enjoyable experience and is a good way of gaining confidence and making contacts for the various awards that are available. You have all done the hard work to pass the exam, so come and have some fun on the air."

Apart from the Lucky Draw prizes, it has been decided to also include some complimentary 1 year membership subscriptions to non SARL members who submit logs. Remember to stand a chance of winning a prize, you need to submit a log to the contest committee after each contest - it is "The "Right Thing To Do"

SARL WEB

The move to a new ISP has been more challenging than expected, mainly because of the many failures experienced during the past week by the current hosting company. Please bear with us. The current web will be transferred to a test site before finally being cut over. Once the process is completed you will be informed on SARL TODAY. The URL will however remain the same so no action is required from members and visitors to www.sarl.org.za.

RTA HEADS FOR DURBAN

The SARL Radio Technology in Action is heading for Durban on Saturday 30 July. It will be held at the School of Electrical, Electronics and Computer Engineering at the University of KwaZulu-Natal. The programme will be available on the SARL web from next weekend.

NEW MEMBERS

The SARL welcomes the following new members: ZS1MAC, Raymond Maclean; ZS1CBT, Rean Theron; ZS6CX, Glen Marshall and ZS3OBS, Sutherland Amateur Radio Club.

We trust you will enjoy your association with SARL. Your membership strengthens the voice of amateur radio in south Africa.

To date 534 members have renewed. The new year starts on July 1, please send us your renewal as soon as possible. Invoices were mailed a few weeks ago.

CLUB ACTIVITIES AND CLUB NEWS

HABEX

At the Klerksdorp Hamfest to be held on the 2nd July 2011, the HABEX group will be launching a balloon for the occasion.

The launch is scheduled for 08:00 and will be from the Klerksdorp airfield.

The payload consists of a controller that will be running APRS on 144,850. Also in the payload will be a cross band repeater and running APRS. This repeater replaces the Parrot repeater run during a previous launch and which was a great success. The cross band repeater RX is 145,850 and TX is 437,850. There are no tones.

The group is also planning to incorporate an HF beacon on 40 m as well as a further APRS unit transmitting on 144,800. However, these are still to be confirmed.

Unfortunately, with the Hamfest being run at a different location, there will not be the normal echolink and live streaming facilities of the past. The team will however endeavour to be on HF while mobile as well as the Cross Band repeater.

Listeners are welcome to call in as well as monitor the flight on www.aprs-za.com or www.aprs.fi.

To view more information on this project, please visit the HABEX web site at www.habex.za.net. The website will also be updated regularly during the course of the week leading up to the 2nd July.

At the AGM of the West Rand Amateur Radio club, held on 11 June 2011 in Weltevredenpark, the following members were elected to its new committee:

Chairman Phillip van Tonder, ZS6PVT Vice chairman Geoff Levey, ZS6GRL Secretary Rory Crouch, ZS6RBJ Treasurer Dave Cloete, ZR6AOC Members Remeo Nardini, ZS6ARQ

Nico Vorster, ZS6NJV

Johan van Vuuren, ZS6JVV

Heather Holland, ZS6YE

Jess Hawes, ZS6YOT SARL liaison and PIO Willem Weideman, ZS6WWJ Anode (newsletter) John Brock ZS6WL

Thanks to the retiring committee members and success to the new committee.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is expected to be at low to moderate levels. Sunspot 1 240, located in the southern hemisphere, is slowly showing some growth. Another new region appears to be forming in the northern hemisphere. There is currently no chance for strong solar flares. For the people doing their own frequency predictions the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be about 44.

With the winter here 20 m will provide the best opportunities for DX followed by 30 m and also 15 m with some some sporadic openings.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

02 July - Klerksdorp Hamfest and HABEX balloon flight at 08:00. 16 July - 3rd leg of SARL QRP Competition. 27 July - 4th leg of SARL Club Competition. 30 July - RTA in Durban. 07 Aug. - SARL HF Phone Competition. 09 Aug. - SARL YL Sprint. 21 Aug. - 3rd leg of SARL Digital Competition. 28 Aug. - SARL HF CW Competition.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 750 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a

web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 18:30 CAT on 3 230 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by George, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening, 73.
/EX
========== Message Ends ========== To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp.

603. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 26th June 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-06-26 20:00:15 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20110626200004.4BB8833C5F@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4393
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 26th June 2011

Echo Ireland

The June edition of Echo Ireland will be delivered to members within the next few days. A quick preview of this issue shows that some clubs have been quite active in recent weeks.

Three clubs - Shannon Basin Radio Club, Skerries Radio Club and the Amateur Portable Group - report on their participation in "Mills on the Air", while both North Cork Radio Group and the Cork Radio Club have written about their involvement in International Marconi Day. Activities by South Dublin Radio Club, South Eastern Amateur Radio Group, Mayo Radio Experimenters and Lough Erne Amateur Club are also covered.

There is an interesting article on the ways in which the transmissions associated with the Automatic Identification System for shipping could be used for propagation studies, also more information on EI7HO's magnetic loop experiences and, of course, further excerpts from the "HX files" on Amateur Television.

DXing is well covered in the regular "HF Happenings" column - which includes some thoughts on recent propagation conditions as well as recent and future DXpeditions. And speaking of DXpeditions, Dave EI9FBB reports on his visit to Monaco, one of the rarest European DXCC entities.

Regulatory issues covered in this month's Echo Ireland include a report on the recent IRTS meeting with ComReg, the IRTS response to ComReg's Spectrum Strategy Consultation and the society's position on one of the agenda items at the forthcoming World Radiocommunications Conference - this is the item dealing with consideration of an allocation to the amateur service in the band 415 to 526.5 kHz.

June's Echo Ireland also has details of upcoming radio rallies, as well as recent and upcoming radio amateur weddings!

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80 metres EI/EI Counties Contest

The June IRTS 80 metres EI/GI counties contest was on Sunday last. This is one of two IRTS 80 metres counties contests held each year, the other one being in January. The June event is traditionally the quieter of the two, which was certainly true this year.

Many counties were hardly represented at all, indeed Dublin was almost 'rare DX' for most of the three-hour long contest. Band conditions on the day were poor, with deep QSB and high background noise at times. In previous years, band conditions have picked up for the last hour of this contest, but there was no noticeable improvement as this year's contest drew to a close.

In spite of the indifferent weather, a number of portable stations were on the air - these included Mayo Radio Experimenters Network who operated from their home county, Oleg EI7KD who was portable in Dublin, Paul EI3ENB operating portable in Kilkenny and Joe EI7GY who was in the Slieve Blooms in Co. Offaly.

IRTS VHF/UHF Field Day

The IRTS VHF/UHF field day take place Saturday 2nd July and Sunday 3rd July 2011. The deadline for submission of log to contest manager is August 3rd 2011.

IRTS Committee Meeting

The next committee meeting will take place on Saturday 10th September in Portlaoise.

Introduction to Amateur Radio

The Mayo Radio Experimenters Network are holding a series of practical hands on open days throughout the summer months. The events will start at 13.00 approx (weather permitting) and will take place on the following dates: Sunday July 10th Sunday August 14th Sunday September 11th

Anyone with an interest in radio related matters, who would like to have the opportunity to participate or observe the operation of an amateur radio station, or meet club members, will receive a warm welcome. Whatever you're level of interest, the club will be pleased to help in taking your interest further, be it a complete novice, shortwave listener or formal assistance in progressing to a full amateur radio licence.

The location for all events will be the car park at the Halfway House on the Castlebar to Westport Road. If you would like further details please contact: Padraic Baynes EI9JA on 0876957154 (email pbaynes1/at/eircom/dot/net) , email David Hatfield EI3ECB on ei3ecb/at/gmail/dot/com or text or phone the club mobile phone number 086 20 89 777

The Northern Ireland HF Conference

The GI HF conference takes place Saturday 20th August 2011 in Technology Education Centre, Omagh, BT78 1FA. Registration takes place from 11am. More details from website: http://wtarc.co.uk/GIHFConference.aspx . The contact person is Philip MI�MSO.

Amateur Radio at the Tall Ships

Amateur Radio will be in use in Dunmore East at the tall ships on Sunday the third of July. If you think you will be in the area, AREN member or not, bring your handheld and give EI0NC a call on Southern Ireland Repeater Network. We will be acting as extra eyes and ears on the day for the other services, so all Amateur Radio operators are encouraged to participate. For more information contact John EI7IG at +353 86 8167310.

British Library makes Google search deal

Thousands of pages from one of the world's biggest collections of historic books, pamphlets and periodicals are to be made available on the internet. The British Library has reached a deal with search engine Google about 250,000 texts dating back to the 18th Century. It will allow readers to view, search and copy the out-of-copyright works at no charge on both the library and Google books websites. The library gets more than a million visitors a year.

Icann increases web domain suffixes

A global internet body has voted to allow the creation of new website domain suffixes, the biggest change for the online world in years. The Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (Icann) plans to dramatically increase the number of domain endings from the current 22. Internet address names will end with almost any word and be in any language. Icann will begin taking applications next year, with corporations and cities expected to be among the first. "Icann has opened the internet's addressing system to the limitless possibilities of the human imagination," said Rod Beckstrom, president and chief executive officer for Icann.

DX News

There are several special callsigns on the air from now until 4 July in connection with the Special Olympics World Summer Games being held in Athens, Greece. Look out for SX0A, SY2011BVM and SY7SOG. .

Eric K9GY will be active from Afghanistan for the next year using the callsign T6MO. His most likely times of operation are given as 0130-0430z, 0630-0830z and 1130-1730z. QSLs go via the home call and logs will be uploaded to Logbook on th Air.

John F4FUC will operate as J28UC from Djibouti starting in July. He hopes to be there till 2013 and will be using vertical and dipole antennas on 40-10m.

Howard WB4WXE will be on the Caribbean island of St Lucia from 25 June till 15 July. He will operate using the call J68HS and asks for QSLs via his home call.

IOTA News from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club 23 June, 2011 Island activities:

EU-006, EI, Arran Islands: EJ/G3ZAY, Dominic,EJ/M0BLF, and Tom,EJ/M0TOC will be QRV from Arran in CW and SSB on all bands from Jun 24-26. QSLs via homecalls (bureau/direct).

EU-008, GM, Inner Hebrides: A group of four is going to become active from Islay between Jun 25 and Jul 1. They will sign GM0HIK on 50 MHz and above on VHF up to 70cm. GM3IZD will be their callsign in HF. QSL via G0HIK and G3IZD respectively (bureau/direct).

EU-028, I, Toscana Region group: IA5/IK2MLS will spend his holidays on the island of Elba from Jun 26 until Jul 2 and wants to be QRV on 40m-10m. QSL via homecall (bureau/direct).

EU-121, EI, Irish Coastal Islands: After staying on Arran EJ/G3ZAY, EJ/M0BLF and EJ/M0TOC will be QRV also from Inishbofin on Jun 27/28. QSL via homecall (bureau/direct).

EU-124, GW, Welsh Coastal Islands: MW0IDX/p will be QRV from Puffin mainly in SSB on 20m only on Jun 27. He will take the kayak to the island, so operation depends also on the weather. QSL direct or via bureau.

EU-158, SV, Peloponnisos Region group: Between Jun 25 and Jul 16 SV3/DJ5RT/p will be active with QRP and vertical on 20m partly from Schiza Island, but mostly from Sapientza Island. QSL direct via DJ5RT. See also: http://www.qrz.com/db/dj5rt

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BBC1 slips behind ITV1 in international coverage

The BBC's flagship domestic TV channel, BBC1, now shows less factual programming than its main rival, ITV1. That's the surprising finding of a new report 'Outside the Box' just published by the International Broadcasting Trust (IBT).

Danmarks Radio replaces medium wave with long wave

Danish public broadcaster Danmarks Radio (DR) is to close its 250 kW medium wave transmitter on 1062 kHz in Kalundborg, and has resumed broadcasting on long wave 243 kHz, but with a power of just 50 kW. As has been the case on medium wave, the programming on 243 kHz will be restricted to weather forecasts, communications for shipping and morning gymnastics.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 19th-June, through Sunday, 26th-June there were 215 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3C, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5V, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9U, 9V, 9Y, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FS, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J3, J6, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S5, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T32, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VP2V, VP6, VP8, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZD9, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

5R, MADAGASCAR. Eric, F6ICX, will once again be active as 5R8IC from Saint Marie Island (AF-090) between November 15th and December 17th. Activity will be holiday style operating CW, RTTY, and PSK63, and using 100 watts into various GPs or Inverted-Ls and a Hexbeam for 20-10 meters.

There will be no online log during his activity. QSL via his home callsign (QRZ.com). View pictures of his last trips at: http://f6kbk.free.fr/5r8ic/5r8ic.htm

5Z, KENYA. Sigi, DL7DF, will be on holiday with his XYL Sabine in Kenya between November 20th and December 3rd. He plans to be active as 5Z4HW and operate on all bands, 160-10 meters using CW, SBB, RTTY, PSK31 and SSTV as often as possible. The location is the Diani Beach at the coast-line of Kenyanear Mombasa. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the DARC Bureau. For more details and updates, visit: http://www.dl7df.com/5z/index.html

6V, SENEGAL. Seb, F8IJV, will once again be active as 6V7Q from Le Calao resort in Senegal between October 22nd and November 11th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters, operating mainly on SSB, possibly some Digital and CW too. He plans to take an Acom 1011 amplifier with him this time. Seb will also be active during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th). QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. Log will be uploaded to LoTW.

FP, ST. PIERRE AND MIQUELON. Victor, VA2WDQ, will be active as FP/VA2WA from Miquelon (IOTA NA-032) between July 7-11th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using mostly CW with some SSB (on the 17/12m bands). His main goal is to participate in the IARU HF Championship (July 9-10th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/CW/Low-Power entry. He will use a Kenwood TS-590S and probably one small transistors PA. Antennas will be verticals. All logs will be uploaded to LoTW and eQSL once he returns home.

HK0/M, MALPELO ISLAND (Update). According to thier Web page, Jorge, HK1R, have made plans to use the vessel "SEA WOLF" to sail the team to Malpelo for the 2012 HK0NA DXpedition. This ship makes frequent authorized sailings to Malpelo for diving expeditions and has accommodations for 16 people in independent rooms with air conditioning and bathroom. The Web page states, "Based on the conversations with them and the visits schedule by the Environmental Authority which controls the Island Access our most probable sailing date will be February 15, 2012." The team currently consists of Jorge/HK1R (Team Leader), Jahm/HK1T, Pedro/HK1X, Franz/DJ8ZB, Bolmar/HK1MW, Jaime/HK1N, Alexis/YV5SSB/6, Olli/OH0XX, Pedro/HK3JJH, Gregg/W6IZT, Dr.San/K5YY and Bob/K4UEE. The current QSL info is as follows: "The HK0NA DXpedition will support an on-line QSL service. The details of this service will be published once finalized. We will also support QSL&#65533;ing direct and our QSL manager information will be published prior to our departure. We will not accept cards through the bureau. Request for cards to be returned via the bureau can be made via our online QSL service at no charge." For more details and updates, visit the HK0NA Web pages at: http://hk0na.wordpress.com

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-102. Operators BM5AAX, BV1EL, BV2DD, BV2KI, BV2KS, BV2NT, BX2AB, BX2ABL, BX4AF, BX5AA, JH3GCN and 9M6YBG will be active as BV100 from Kigmen Island, Taiwan, during the RSGB IOTA Contest

(July 30-31st). QSL via BV2KI. For QSL info, operating schedule, log and award information, please visit their Web site at: http://www.bv100.tw/EN

EU-038. Operators Rene/ON6OM, Eddy/ON6ZV and Martin/ON7EG will be active as PA/ON4IPA from Texel Island between July 2-8th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using SSB, RTTY and PSK31-63-125. QSL via ON6ZV. For more details, see: http://www.qsl.net/on6om/pa-on4ipa-eu038

EU-048. Operators Remi/F0GHK, Michel/F1SRC, Jean-Yves/F4EHM, Mickael/ F4FFZ, Gwena/F4FHZ, Chris/F5CBQ and Jean-Fran&#65533;ois/F6DZD will be active as TM2BI from Belle Ile (DIFM AT015) between July 28th and August 2nd. Activity will be on 80-2 meters with an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st). QSL via F6KPQ.

NA-039/ Since the Russian Robinson Club members rescheduled (RRC)
NA-070. their DXpedition to St. Matthew Island (see NA-232) to 2012, Yuri, N3QQ, will now activate Adak Island (NA-039) starting July 28th, as KL7RRC, and also participate during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st). If he can find transportation, Yuri will also go to Rat Islands (NA-070) and operate as KL7RRC/p until August 8th, weather permitting. Activity from both locations will be on 40-6 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via N7RO, EU stations via UA9OBA.

NA-152. Chuck, KL7OH, has plans to activate Sarichef Island between August 1-15th. He will use 100 watts into a Carolina Windom. Dates are subject to change.

NA-232. (New IOTA Rescheduled!) Yuri, N3QQ, and other Russian Robinson Club members who were expected to activate St. Matthew Island, Alaska, as KL7RRC this summer, have now rescheduled their operation in 2012 (July 25th-August 15th). According to their Web page, the team has received the official permission from U.S.F.W.S. to go the island. Tim, NL8F, in Dutch Harbour, is currently looking for alternative transportation options. They mention that they have several spaces available on the boat and if you would like to participate in the expedition to St. Matthew Island, please Contact Yuri Zaruba, UA9OBA via QRZ.ru or send E-mail to n3qq@NA-234.com. For more details and updates, visit: http://www.na-234.com

NA-242. Operators Rick/K6VVA and Mike/K9AJ will activate for the first time ever Point Lay Barrier Island as K6VVA/KL7 between July 22-26th. QSL route is ONLY via N6AWD (direct or by the Bureau) - DO NOT send QSLs to K6VVA!!! Activity will be primarily CW on 40/30/20/17 meters. Dates may change slightly depending upon local WX. The objective is a minimum of 3 days of activity within the indicated date range. There is a slight possibility for a brief NA-172 activation as K9AJ/KL7 right

after NA-242 before they leave the North Slope of Alaska.
Updates will be posted to the "Latest News" section of the
NA-242 Expedition Web site: http://www.k6vva.com/iota/na242
Due to the possibility of polar bears at NA-242, they have
purchased electric bear fences, bear spray, and must hire
one or more local "Bear Guards" with heavy firepower for
24/7 protection. This will be a dangerous and extremely
costly IOTA expedition -- due mostly to the air transport-
ation of equipment. NA-242 in July is "The Main Event"
after K6VVA warmup expeditions to NA-184 (April), NA-066
(May with NI6T) and NA-091 (June with W6NV).

J7, DOMINICA. Mike, VE2XB, will be active as J79XB from Dominica (NA-101)
starting July 6th for several weeks. Activity will be on all bands and
possibly 6m. QSL via VE2XB (QRZ.com address). ADDED NOTE: Mike informs
OPDX that he will be heading to FP-land in August or Sept with a beam
and an amp.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (June 27th-July 3rd)....
Jun 27 HN-AN SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS
Jun 28 AN --------------------
Jun 29 AN BN - Below Normal
Jun 30 AN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Jul 01 AN LN - Low Normal
Jul 02 AN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Jul 03 AN DIS - Disturbed
VDIS - Very Disturbed

GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

KH8, AMERICAN SAMOA. Currently, plans are being made for a DXpedition to
American Samoa (KH8) to take place between November 17-28th, inclusive
for the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) possibly as a SOAB, Multi-
Single, or Multi-2 category. Callsign mentioned is K8A. Operators will
be Scott/W4PA (owner of VIBROPLEX) and others. According to DX Magazine,
KH8 American Samoa is now in the top 50 "Most Wanted Countries" in Europe
on CW, digital modes, and the low bands. North American low band demand
for KH8 will be substantial. According to DX Summit, the last spot on
160m for a KH8 operation was in 2006. The K8A operation will focus on
CW and digital mode operation with the intent of reducing the overall DX
demand from Europe and the need for low band counters in North America and
elsewhere. The contest operation is secondary to the overall DXpedition
goal of reducing worldwide CW and digital mode demand for KH8 as a DXCC
counter. More details should be forthcoming.

M0, ENGLAND (Special Event). Phil, G3SWH, will be active on CW only
using the special callsign M0RSE over the weekend of July 2-3rd. Activity

will be on all bands from 80-10 meters. All QSOs are welcome. There is more information available at: http://www.m0rse.org
Look for the logs to be uploaded to LoTW after the operation.

MARITIME DX FORUM (MDF). Just a reminder that the Martime DX Forum will take place in Halifax, Nova Scotia, between August 5-6th, with an outstanding program including: John/ON4UN, Reg/VE7IG, Scott/W3TX, Tim/VE6SH and George/G4GRN/VE1GRN. However, for the first time they are also offering an opportunity for those living outside Canada's Maritime Provinces, and unable to join them in person, to participate in a Webinar version of the MDF. The Webinar presentation will happen in real time and allow participants to hear the speakers, view their visual material, and see the activity at the venue. The Webinar software system allows on-line participants to ask questions and make comments. Those living in time zones where joining them in real time is difficult will be able to download the program and view it at a convenient time. Program and registration details are on their Web site at: http://www.halifax-arc.org/mdf

PACIFIC DX NET (Time Change). Bill, VK4FW, informs OPDX that the Pacific DX Net meets every Monday, Wednesday and Friday (UTC day) on 14183 kHz at 0730 UTC. Net controllers will be VK4AN and VK7XX. Other net controllers are required, so if you would like to help, please contact Eddie, VK4AN at: vk4an@pacific-dxers.com

PY0F, FERNANDO DE NORONHA (Update/Reminder). Marcelo, PY2FN, will be active as PY0FO from Fernando de Noronha (SA-003) between July 2-9th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters CW only. He will use a Crushcraft R8 for 40-6m and possibly dipoles for 160/80m. Suggested frequencies are: 1814, 3514, 7014, 10114, 14014, 18084, 21014, 24894, 28014 and 50094 kHz. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW. Visit Marcelo's Web site at: http://www.py0fo.com.br

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated June 26th)

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3A/IW1RBI via IW1RBI IK2/DL60ZBN via DL6IP SX0A via SV2GWY
4O/YO3AS via YO3AS IT9/DH2UAK via DH2UAK SY2DIO via SZ2RCP
5B/RN3QO via N2UCK J48O via SV2FPU SY7SOG via SV7FSK
5W1SA via JA1DXA JW9DL via LA9DL SY2011BAY via
SV7BAY
5X1VJ via UV5EVJ K8HX/KH2 via JE1HXZ SY2011JJZ via
SV7JJZ
9A/DL6FAH via DL6FAH NU2K/KH2 via JA2JWH T8YN via JE1SYN
9A/S59AA via S59AA OH0B via OH2BH T80T via JP1IOF
CO4SM via HA3JB (direct only) OK/DH7WW via DH7WW T88ZA via JA0BJR
EG5HSJ via EA5RKB PJ7MF via IZ1MHY TK/F5BUU via F5BUU
EG7EPC via EA7URS PP6DX via PY7RP TM30ARAD via F6KTM
HB0/DG1SFJ via DG1SFJ SD1B/5 via DL8AAV UF6VG via RZ3DO
HB0/DL4MP via DL4MP SM/OE4PFU via OE4PFU V25DD via K9UK

HG650D via HA0KA SO1CC via DL1CC XE1/VE7BDI via
VE7BDI
HL23 via DS5SWL SU9BN via EA7FTR XU7DDD via JA2VWG
HR9/WQ7R via K5WW SV8/PA0PMD via PA0PMD YP0CD via YO5BFJ
ZD7XF via G3TXF

PZ5P QSL STATUS (USA). Vladislav, UA4LU, reports that "it is impossible to deliver to the addressee" the many direct QSLs sent to him from the USA for Serge's, RX3APM, April PZ5P activity. No real reason was given. He states to all the guys in the USA, if you did not receive a direct QSL via UA4LU, to please E-mail him at <ua4lu@mail.ru> for possibly having your QSL sent via the Bureau system.

S79UFT QSL STATUS. Maurice, F5NQL, reports that Norbert, F6AXX, states all direct QSL cards for the recent S79UFT operation (March/April 2011), received up to June 19th, have been answered and mailed.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 9M2/KM9D, D44TUO, HC6EP, J79FCG, MS0INT, P43E, PJ2BVU, PJ6D, RV6ALI, S51MA, SA1A, SX3B, T5X, V25DD, V31XX, V44KAI, YI1RZ, YV4DYJ and ZD7XF

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3D2A, 4A4A, 5M2TT, 9H1XT, BU2AI, CN8NK, CY0/K8LEE, CY0/N0TG, CY0/N1SN, DU9RG, F9IE/VK3/P, HH2/HB9AMO, HH2/PA5M, J79FCG, JD1BMH, KG4EM, TG9NX, TJ3AY, TL0A, V44KJ, V5/DK1CE, VK9NN, VP2EMR, VP5/AC8W, VP8DMH/P, VP8ORK and ZK2A

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 3V3S, 5I3A, 5N7M, 9J3A, 9K2/SP4R, AI5P/VK9N, C21DL, DP1POL, FK/AI5P, FO/DL3APO, FR/F5UOW, FS/K9EL, NU1AW/KH6, OJ0W, OX8XX, T32AJ, TF/DL2JRM, TO3R, V5/DK1CE, VK9XX, VP8DIF, YI9PSE, YJ0MXJ, YJ0PX, Z21DXI, ZK3OU and ZK3YA

SILENT KEY. Alan, VK4AAR, informs OPDX that Dan Holloway, VK8AN, became a "Silent Key" (SK) last Monday, June 20th. Dan has had serious illnesses over the last several years but passed away due to severe pneumonia. Alan states, "I was proud to be Dan's QSL Manager for his numerous IOTA Dxpeditions to various island groups in Australian coastal waters His major long lasting effort was to Troughton Island (OC-154), from the 1990's until he went QRT from there until his last paper log entry at 1240z, 9th September, 2003. Dan is survived by his widow, Marion and many friends, both hams and others. He leaves his many family members who still live in Santa Barbara, CA." OPDX and its readers would like to sent out our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of VK8AN.

T6, AFGHANISTAN. Steve, W6EOD, is on active as T6SH (not T6EOD as first thought) from the Helmand Province. Activity will has been on 40 and 20 meters CW only, and using a KX1 and wire vertical. Steve is expected to be there until November. QSL via K1BV.

TF, ICELAND. Oleksiy, VE2XAA, will be active as TF/VE2XAA between July 6-11th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY, plus include an entry in the IARU HF Championship (July 9-10th) as TF4X. QSL TF/VE2XAA via his home callsign, and TF4X via G3SWH.

TX5, MARQUESAS ISLANDS. An international team of operators will be active from Hatiheu, Nuku Hiva (OC-027) between October 19-30th. Activity will be on all bands and modes, including an entry in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th). Operations mentioned are on 160-010 meters (including 30/17/12m bands) on CW, SSB and RTTY, using 4 stations on the air at the same time on different bands and modes. The following callsigns will be used:
TX3T – Activity between October 16-19th and November 1-4th, will be from Papeete, Tahiti (OC-046) -- before and after their Marquesas operation.
TX7M – The main callsign for their activity between October 19th and November 1st, will be from Hatiheu, Nuku Hiva (OC-027), Marquesas Island.
TX5A – Their callsign for the CQWW DX SSB Contest from Hatiheu, Nuku Hiva (OC-027), Marquesas Island.

Operators mentioned are Oleg/R3FA (leader), Alex/UT5UY (co-leader), Michel/FO5QB, Sergey/UX0HX, Max/UZ1HZ, Alex/US0KW, Andy/UU4JMG, Alex/UX0LL, Andy/RK7A, Leo/UA7A and Andy/RA6LBS. QSL Manager is Eugene, RZ3EC. There are three options to QSL - Bureau (using the OQRS), direct to QSL Manager and LoTW (All QSO(s) data will be placed into LoTW after Expedition is over). There is a survey available on their Web page for bands/modes needs. The team is looking for sponsors. For more details, visit the TX7M Web page at: http://www.tx7m.com

VQ5, TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS. Operators Bill/KX4WW, Noll/W9RN and Doug/W4OX will be active as VQ5X during the CQ WW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th). Operation class TBD. QSL via W4OX or LoTW.

XU, CAMBODIA. Hiroo, JA2VWG, is expected to operate as XU7DDD from Sihanoukville between now and June 28th. Activity will be mainly on the HF bands and SSB. However, he is taking a 6 meter antenna. QSL via JA2VWG direct only.

YJ, VANUATU. Andy, P29CS, is now active as YJ8A from Efate Island (OC-035) until July 17th. QSL via M0URX.

YN, NICARAGUA. Mike, AJ9C, will be active from here between November 24th and December 5th. Callsign will be announced later. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. He also plans to be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via LoTW. Also, look for him to be in the ARRL 160m Contest.

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Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
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http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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605. Re: Mark and Roger had a Three Way..

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-06-27 03:32:40 UTC
From: Anon <anon@anon>
Message-ID: <4q5j5g.7ts.19.1@news.alt.net>
Source record: 4395
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

<mike oxbig> wrote in message
news:201106261727.UTC.iu7q5sdkt1@tioat.net...
>
> "Anon" <anon@anon> wrote in message news:4q3o7h.t81.17.1@news.alt.net...
>> They shared the same blowup doll.
>> All was going well until Mark demanded that the blowup doll be
>> circumsized.
>>
>> Leave it to Mark to want to eat "lean" meat.
>>
>> Roger prefered the "full hood" and that is where the discord began.
>>
>> Now these two cork suckers will have to make a decision.
>>
>> Anybody opem for a vote on this?
>>
>> 1. Should Roger share his Man Doll with Mark?
>>
>> 2. Should Roger let Mark have his way and cut the foreskin from his his
>> rubber doll?
>>
>>
>>
> Is gav cut?
No, Gav is not.
She is not what one would call "normal."
She and Mark live is some sort of fantasy world were rocks have "spirits"
and role playing games have become reality to them.
Mark has been unduly influenced by his alleged "witch" wife and goes along
with her every whim. This is proof that Mark has no mind of his own and is
so weak-willed that he lacks the ability to make his own decisions..
If one were to read Gav's blog it is glaringly obvious that Gav, like Mark,
has several mental problems.

I wonder if Gav is still living in a seperate home?
Mark once admitted that she refuses to live with Mark and his invalid
father.

Mark? Hint. Clean up your house and change your Dad's diapers.

606. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 20 - 26 June 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-06-28 21:30:07 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
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# http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
#
Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
20 - 26 June 2011

Solar activity was very low to low. Region 1236 (N17, L=167,
class/area Ehi/350 on 15 June) produced a long-duration C7/Sf at
21/0325 UTC associated with an Earth-directed full-halo coronal mass
ejection (CME). Activity was at very low levels during 22 - 26 June
with occasional B-class flares from Region 1236 as it gradually
decayed.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
normal to moderate levels during 20 - 22 June. Fluxes increased to
normal to high levels during 23 - 24 June. A further increase to
moderate to high levels occurred on 25 - 26 June.

Geomagnetic activity was at quiet to unsettled levels during 20 - 21
June. Activity increased to quiet to active levels during 22 - 23
June, with minor to major storm periods at high latitudes, due to a
coronal hole high-speed stream (CH HSS). A CME passage (from the
halo-CME observed on 21 June) also occurred early on 23 June with a
sudden geomagnetic impulse observed at Boulder at 23/0258 UTC (22
nT). Activity decreased to quiet to unsettled levels during 24 - 26
June as CH HSS effects subsided.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
29 June - 25 July 2011

Solar activity is expected to be at very low levels until 03 July
with the return of old Region 1234 (S16, L=246). Activity is then
expected to be low followed by a further increase to low with a
chance for isolated M-class activity as old Region 1236 rotates back
on the visible disk.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.
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The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at moderate to high levels during 29 June - 01 July. A decrease to normal to moderate levels is expected during 02 - 05 July followed by an increase to moderate to high levels during 06 - 07 July due to a CH HSS. Fluxes are expected to decrease to normal to moderate levels during 08 - 19 July. Fluxes are expected to increase to moderate to high levels during 20 - 23 July following the CH HSS.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be at quiet to unsettled levels during 29 - 30 June. A CH HSS is expected to boost activity to quiet to active levels during 01 - 03 July. Mostly quiet levels are forecast for 03 - 07 July as the CH HSS subsides. An increase to quiet to unsettled levels is expected during 08 - 09 July as another CH HSS disturbs the field. Quiet levels are expected from 10 - 16 July. Another recurrent CH HSS is expected to become geoeffective on 17 July bringing quiet to unsettled conditions. A further increase to active levels with a chance for isolated minor storm periods at high latitudes is expected during 19 - 21 July followed by quiet to unsettled levels on 22 July as the effects from the CH HSS subside. Quiet levels are expected from 23 - 25 July.

607. [DXNL] DXNL 1734 (Jun 29, 2011)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-06-28 23:44:57 UTC
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EDITOR'S NOTE:

I have been the editor of the DX Newsletter for the past four and a half years and this work has always made me a lot of fun. I had good conversations with the readers and the feedback was mainly positive. Constructive criticism has been taken very seriously at all times and if possible I used it to improve the quality of the bulletin. Now, the time has come to focus on my other hobbies and to get back to my radio as well. However, I am still available occasionally as a vacation replacement.

I want to say thank you to all readers for your support, all YLs, XYLs and OMs for sending me information and also to my colleagues Fredy,DE0MST, and Ric,DL2VFR, without their help no IOTA info would be available in the DXNL, and last not least also to Rob,DL7VOA, who has translated the bulletin into English and distributed both the German and English bulletins always very reliably.

My successor will be OM Alexander Derichs, DG8KAD. Please support him with information just as you have supported me. Only then it is guaranteed that you can find the DX Newsletter on your station's table every week.
I wish Alexander good luck with this time consuming work servicing the DX community worldwide.

Vy 73 de Helmut, DL7MAE!

CU - AZORES ISLANDS, EU-003
Angelo,DM1AC, Carsten,DM1CG, and Joachim,DL9MS, will be active from the Azores Island Sao Miguel (EU-003) as CR2EME. They will work not only via EME but on all HF bands from Jun 29 until Jul 5. QSL via DL9MS.

EA6 - BALEARIC ISLANDS, EU-004
Michael,EA6/DL4ABO, will be QRV in holiday style working with QRP in

CW only from Mallorca (EU-004) from Jul 1-5. Listen for him on 20m and 17m during the evening hours. QSL cards should be sent to his homecall.

J2 - DJIBOUTI
John,F4FUC, will show up as J28UC starting in July and will stay in Djibouti until summer 2013. Activities are planned on 40m-10m using a TS480 with 100 watts, a vertical (20/15/10m) and dipoles for 40/20/10m. QSL via homecall.

OJ0 - MARKET REEF, EU-053
OJ0/SA5BJM (CW), OJ0/SA5BCG (digital/SSB), OJ0/SA0BJF (digital/SSB) and OJ0/SA5BDS (SSB) are going to become active from Market Reef (EU-053) on 80m-2m between Jun 30 and Jul 2. They are all members of the QRP radioclub SA2ME. Find more information at http://www.sa2me.blogspot.com

PY0/F - FERNANDO DE NORONHA, SA-003
Marcelo,PY2FN, will be QRV as PY0FO from Fernando de Noronha (SA-003) from July 2-9. He works only in CW on 160m-6m on following preferred QRGs (if necessary he works split and listens 2-5 kHz up):
1814, 3514, 7014, 10114, 14014, 18084, 21014, 24894, 28014, 50094 kHz.
Special emphasis will be put on the 6m band.
QSL via bureau, direct or LoTW to PY2FN.
See also: http://www.py0fo.com.br

SV5 - DODECANESE, EU-001
Bertl,DJ5MN, writes: "I am spending the holidays with my family on Rhodos from Jun 30 until Jul 10. I will work in CW and SSB on 160m-6m signing SV5/DJ5MN with 100 watts and a vertical for HF and 25 watts and yagis for 2m and 70cm. QSL only via the DARC bureau, I don't need your dollars."

T6 - AFGHANISTAN
T6SH is the callsign of Steve,W6EOD, who is based in the province Helmand until November. Steve works only in CW on 20m and 40m using a KX1 transceiver and a vertical. QSLs via bureau or direct to K1BV.

XU - CAMBODIA
Barry,ZL1DD, will stay in Sihanoukville from Jul 1-7 and hopes to hit the airwaves as XU7ADD.

YJ - VANUATU
YJ8A is Andy,P29CS, who activates Efate Island (OC-035) until Jul 17. QSLs also via bureau to M0URX.

5N - NIGERIA
Valery,5N6/YL2SW, is back in Nigeria since Jun 16 and will stay there until Jul 15. Besides working in CW and SSB he also wants to try RTTY. Valery has a very unstable power grid so it is not unusual that he disappears right in a QSO.
Please send your QSLs via bureau or direct to his homecall.
Russian stations should send their QSL via RV3MQ.

7Q - MALAWI
Malcolm,GM3TAL, is part of the "Scottish Scout New Horizons Expedition"
and will have his QTH at the Malawi National Scout Campsite near Zomba.
You can expect activities as 7Q7MH in CW/SSB on the high bands and 6m
during the month of July. QSLs unfortunately only direct via G0IAS.
See also: http://www.7q7mh.org

CANADA, SPECIAL EVENT STATION
The "Grand Opening" of the Aeradio fair and the historical museum in
Teslin/Yukon are celebrated by local HAMs with the special callsign
VY1T between Jun 29 and Jul 1. QSL via VY1EEN.

ENGLAND, SPECIAL EVENT STATION
Phil,G3SWH, is using the special event callsign M0RSE only in CW on
80m-10m on Jul 2/3. QSLs via bureau, direct or LoTW to G3SWH.

NORWAY, SPECIAL EVENT STATION
The special event station LJ2T is situated at the "Signals Museum" of
the Norwegian forces near Lillehammer. Activities will take place
in CW, SSB, FM and digital modes on 160m-70cm from Jun 30 until Jul 3.
QSLs via LA5EAA.

SILENT KEYS: Dan Holloway,VK8AN, wellknown IOTA DXpeditioner, passed away
after a long illness on Jun 20.
Other Silent Keys are: Francisco Campos Crespo (EA4BT),
Johnny Roche (EI5CJB), Paddy McGorman (EI7BS), Tim Haynes (G8PTP),
Erkki Korpelainen (OH1DG), Raimo Molarius (OH7QC) and
Desmond Roy Hearsum (W8PR).

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Jul 1: RAC Canada Day Contest
Jul 2: Concurso Internacional de Radioamadorismo "Comandos 2011"
(see: http://www.rep.pt)
Jul 2/3: Independence of Venezuela Contest
Jul 2/3: DL DX RTTY Contest
Jul 2/3: Original QRP Contest
Jul 3: DARC 10m Digital Contest Corona

IOTA collected by Ric,DL2VFR (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AS-137, BY, Zhejiang Province North Group: A large Chinese team will show up
as BY4QA/5 from Tantou Shan between Jun 30 and Jul 3. They will work
mainly in SSB but also in CW. QSLs via BD4QK (bureau/direct).

AS-160, BY, Shandong Province North West Group: BY1RX/4 will be QRV from the
rather rare IOTA group Fu Rong from Jul 2-9. QSL via BA4TB.

EU-008, GM, Inner Hebrides: For a short time 2M0LSR/m is working from Skye
on Jul 1. QSL via 2E0LSR (bureau/direct).

EU-010, GM, Outer Hebrides: 2E0LSR and 2E0DJR will be QRV as 2M0LSR/A from
North Uist from Jul 1-8. They also plan some trips to other islands
and will show up as 2M0LSR/p from South Uist and Eriskay (Jul 3) and
from Benbecula and Grimsay (Jul 4). QSL via 2E0LSR (bureau/direct).
See also: http://2e0lsr.wordpress.com

EU-034, ES, Hiiumaa/Saaremaa/Laanemaa County Group: DL1FT is visiting
Saaremaa from Jul 3-9 and wants to work as ES0FTZ from there.
QSL via DL1FT (bureau/direct). Check also: http://www.dl1ft.de

EU-055, LA, Sogn og Fjordane/Hordaland/Rogaland County group: LA9RY is QRV
mainly in SSB on 80m-2m from Stord until Jul 17.

EU-064, F, Pays de la Loire Region Group: F/G5XW is spending his holidays
in Noirmoutier from Jul 4-9. QSLs only direct, see QRZ.com.

EU-135, SM, Vasterbotten County Group: SF2X/p is working sporadically from
Ledskar from Jul 1 until Aug 1. QSL via SM5EFX (bureau/direct).

NA-099, KP4, Puerto Rico: N2EFN announced to become active from Culebra
between Jun 30 and Jul 1. QSL see QRZ.com.

NA-213, K, Alabama State group: K5KUA/4 is QRV from Dauphin from Jul 4-10.
QSL via K5KUA (bureau/direct).

OC-165, 9M8, Sarawak's Coastal Islands: The announced 9M8RC DXpedition to
Talang Talang Besar has been postponed until Jul 2/3. QSL only direct.

IOTA information

If you still need a confirmation from ZS0PI you can send your QSL via
bureau or direct to DJ4LK. The cards are credited for IOTA AF-070 now.
His address is: DJ4LK, Roland Hagmann, St.-Jakobus-Str. 8,
73494 Rosenberg, Germany

The IOTA 50th Anniversary Marathon (Jan 1, 2012 until Jan 31, 2013)
has been extended by a SWL part. The rules will be published on the
IOTA website of the RSGB soon: http://http://www.rsgbiota.org

Bandspots of the last 7 days

30m
J48O 10.105 1631Z EU-052, GRE-078, via SV2FPU (L), (d), eQSL
TK/F5MMC 10.125 1618Z
YU8A 10.120 2034Z via YU1NW (B)

20m
AT8VTM 14.017 1520Z via VU2JHM (d)
F5UOW/p 14.010 1621Z EU-032
F/DL6KR 14.015 1746Z EU-070
HC5AI 14.188 0418Z (d)
V85SS 14.003 1638Z (d)

VR2UW 14.043 1620Z (B)
ZL4PW 14.023 0453Z
ZS2I 14.019 1609Z
7X2ARA 14.001 1641Z (B)

17m
EA6UN 18.078 2247Z via EC6TK (d)
EA6UN 18.130 2304Z via EC6TK (d)
EG8LP 18.125 1910Z AF-004, via EA8URL (B)
J48O 18.074 2129Z EU-052, via HA0HW (B)

15m
A65BD 21.024 1609Z via G5LP (L)
JT5DX 21.016 0444Z via JT1CO (B)
MS0INT 21.034 1620Z EU-059, via M0URX (B)
T6MO 21.023 1630Z via K9GY (L), (d)
XU7DDD 21.320 1456Z via JA2VWG (d)
5N6/YL2SW 21.024 1652Z via YL2SW (B)
5N6/YL2SW 21.306 1528Z via YL2SW (B)

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(L) = LoTW
(r) = bureau QSL via e-mail request

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

01Jul-08Jul 2M0LSR/A 1734 *
01Jul 2M0LSR/m 1734 *
-Dec 3Y8XSA 1700/1717
-25Oct 5B50J 1700
16Jun-15Jul 5N6/YL2SW 1734 *
-Apr/12 5Z4RH ? 1674
Jul 7Q7MH 1734 *
-30Nov 8J1MORSE.. 1731
CANCELLED 8Q7LR 1732
-31Dec 9A11P 1723
-Sep 9J2KK 1682
NOW 9M2/KM9D 1731
-10Jul 9M2/RA9LR 1727
02Jul/03Jul 9M8RC 1734 *
SOON 9Q1EK 1669
-Nov 9Q6CC 1699

-Aug A92IO 1663
-31Dec BP100 1684
-31Dec BV100 1684
02Jul-09Jul BY1RX/4 1734 *
30Jun-03Jul BY4QA/5 1734 *
29Jun-05Jul CR2EME 1734 *

-31Dec CW5RV 1711
-31Aug DL20Y2DM 1700
01Jul-05Jul EA6/DL4ABO 1734 *
03Jul-09Jul ES0FTZ 1734 *
04Jul-09Jul F/G5XW 1734 *
-Aug FO8RZ 1636
18Jun-14Jul FO/F6CTL 1732
-Jul/12 FR8NE 1710
20Jun-03Jul FS/K9EL 1732
25Jun-02Jul GM3IZD.. 1733

-31Dec HB60LU 1711
15Jun-15Jul HF2011B.. 1733
-30Jun HF800Z 1733
-31Dec HG15IPA 1724
01Jan-31Dec HG200LST 1708
-30Jun HG2011A 1713
26Jun-02Jul IA5/IK2MLS 1733
01Jan-31Dec IA7MM 1708
01Jan-31Dec II1ITA.. 1708
01Mar-30Sep IO4UI 1717
-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul/12 J28RO 1683
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734 *
25Jun-15Jul J68HS 1733

16Jun-05Sep K1VSJ 1732
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
-May/12 KH4/W5FJG 1728
POSTPONED KH5 1674/1705
30Jun-01Jul KP4/N2EFN 1734 *
-31Dec LA200D 1713
-17Jul LA9RY 1734 *
30Jun-03Jul LJ2T 1734 *
-31Dec LZ85R 1721
02Jul/03Jul M0RSE 1734 *
Jun NQ6K/VY0 1732
30Jun-02Jul OJ0/SA5BJM 1734 *
Aug OL100VP 1721
Jun OL1911VP 1721
Jul OL2011VP 1721

-Sep P29CW 1713
01Jan-31Dec PA30.. 1708
25Jun-07Jul PJ2/DJ8NK.. 1733
22Jun-06Jul PJ6D 1733
-Jun PP0T 1725
02Jul-09Jul PY0FO 1734 *
-Dec RI1ANC 1708
09Jul- South Sudan 1731/1732
19Jun-01Jul SD1B/5 1732

01Jul-01Aug SF2X/p 1734 *
01May-31Jul SQ100MSC 1725
25Jun-16Jul SV3/DJ5RT 1733
30Jun-10Jul SV5/DJ5MN 1734 *
25Jun-04Jul SX0A 1733

-Jun/12 T6MO 1733
-Nov T6SH 1734 *
-Jul T6TL 1695/1727
09Jul/10Jul TM90LH 1727
19May-Jul V31XB 1728
-Mar/12 VK0KEV (Macq) 1700/1701
-Jun VK0M/ZL4DB/p 1725
29Jun-01Jul VY1T 1734 *
May -Aug W3CVD/4 1726
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
NOW XT2RJA 1712
01Jul-07Jul XU7ADD 1734 *
-17Jul YJ8A 1734 *
-Sep ZC4MIS 1732
22Jun-30Jun ZF7XF 1733
-Sep ZD9GI 1691
-31Dec ZL50GH 1711

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

AT8VTM via VU2JHM (d)
CO4SM via HA3JB (d)
DX8FAR (d), eQSL
EG1VEE3 via EC1AEU
EG5HSJ via EA5RKB (B)
EG7EPC via EA7URS (B), (L), eQSL
EI6DX via RX3RC (B), (L)
GB0FP via G1EYY, eQSL
HB0/DG1SFJ via DG1SFJ (B)
HB0/DL4MP via DL4MP (B)
HG650D via HA0KA
HL23 via DS5SWL (B)
HR9/WQ7R via K5WW (B)
IK2/DL60ZBN via DL6IP (B)
IT9/DH2UAK via DH2UAK (B), eQSL
IT9/IK2GPQ/p via IK2GPQ (B)
J48O via SV2FPU (L), (d), eQSL
JW1EOA via LA1EOA (B)
JW9DL via LA9DL (B)
K8HX/KH2 via JE1HXZ
KH2/JF2CRP via JF2CRP (B)
KP4MS via W4DN (B)

LA/DL2LRT via DL2LRT (B)
LU1EHR via EA5KB (B)
LW0F via LU4FLJ (d), eQSL
LY100CM via LY1RMD
LZ1016WIW via LZ1KZA (B)
LZ2HM/BY7PP via BD7IXG (B)
LZ20HR via LZ1YE (d)
M0/RK3DT via RK3DT (no QSL)
M/DL6ZFG/p via DL6ZFG (B)
MC0SHL via M0URX (B)
MJ/EA1SA/p via EA1SA (B), (L)
MM/F4BKV via F4BKV (B), (L)
MR0DOL via M0DOL (d),
MR0AOV via M0AOV eQSL
MR0AQZ via MW0AQZ (d)
OJ0/OH2FNZ via OH2FNZ
PJ2/N4LZ via N4LZ
PJ2/W8QID via W8QID (B)
SN08DEM via SP9DEM (B), (L)
SN08LOT via SQ9ORD (d)
SN08MZH via SP9MZH (B)
SN08NOB via SQ9NOB (B)
SN08ORH via SP9ORH (B)
SN08XUM/9 via SP9XUM (B)
SN3R via SP6HEQ (B), (L)
SN5D via SQ5NBK (B)
SO1CC via DL1CC (B)
SO6I via SP6JIU
SO7L via SP7UWL (B), (L)
SO9G via SP9DTE
SP5EWX/mm via SP7IXT (B), (L)
ST2NH via EA7FTR
SU9BN via EA7FTR
SV3/SM4KYN via SM4KYN
SV1/LZ1JZ via LZ1JZ (B)
SV8/DK3SJ/p via DK3SJ (B)
SV8/PA0PMD via PA0PMD (B)
SV0XCC/9 via LZ1YE (d)
SX4ME via SV2HWR (B), (L)
SX0A via SV2GWY (B)
SY2DIO via SZ2RCP (B)
SY2011BAY via SV7BAY (B), eQSL
SY2011JJZ via SV7JJZ
SY7SOG via SV7FSK (B)
T48K via DK1WI (B)
T8YN via JE1SYN
T80T via JP1IOF (B)
T88JX via JH1DVG (B), eQSL
T88ZA via JA0BJR
TA0/UA6DX via UA6DX

TC47TCF via TA1CM (B), eQSL
TK/F5BUU via F5BUU
TM30ARAD via F6KTM
TM0SGF via F6KHS (B)
UF6VG via R3DO (ex-RZ3DO)
V25DD via K9UK
XE1/VE7BDI via VE7BDI
XU7DDD via JA2VWG (d)
YP0CD via YO5BFJ (B)
ZD7XF via G3TXF (B)
ZL1OOIBM via ZL1GWE (B), eQSL
3A/IW1RBI via IW1RBI (B)
4O/YO3AS via YO3AS (d)
5B/RN3QO via N2UCK (B)
5W1SA via JA1DXA
5X1VJ via UV5EVJ (B)
9A/DL6FAH via DL6FAH (B)
9A/S59AA via S59AA (B)

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(*) = new QSL manager
(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) = e-mail request

QSLs arrived direct: FO5RH, K8LEE/CY0 (N0TG), ST2AR (S53R), TJ9PT,
and on the Ham Radio fair: D44TOI, 4U1ITU, 4U1UN

QSLs arrived bureau: A61NT (ON5NT), AH2Y (HL1IWD), E21YDP, H7/K9GY,
J5V (JA1PBV), OD5/DL6SN (DO8LA), VK2MWG, VP8LP, 6M0V

New time for the "PACIFIC DX NET"

The "Pacific DX Net" is operated every Monday, Wednesday and Friday on
14.183 MHz starting at 0730 UTC. Netcontrols are VK4AN and VK7XX.
Other Netcontrols are wanted, so if you have time and interest to join
then contact Eddie,VK4AN, via e-mailo to: vk4an@pacific-dxers.com

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http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxmb/2011

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608. The ARRL Letter for June 30, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-06-30 20:42:33 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20110630180457.D7F6626CC89@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 4398
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==> + TEXAS HAMS INJURED AT FIELD DAY SITE

On the morning of June 26, two Texas radio amateurs -- Danny Caldwell,
AD5IP, of Kamay, and Mike Byrne, AE5CO, of Iowa Park -- received
electric shocks as they took down an inverted V antenna. According to
Wichita County Emergency Coordinator Larry Ballard, KE5KNV, the two
were taking part in Field Day as part of the Wichita Amateur Radio
Society (WARS <http://www.n5wf.org/>).

"The Wichita Amateur Radio Society decided to terminate the
participation in the exercise at 10 AM on Sunday, due to extreme heat
and gusty wind conditions," Ballard told the ARRL. "Danny and Mike were
injured while lowering the center pole of the inverted V dipole antenna
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to the ground. They were knocked to the ground when a guy wire, or the antenna lead-in, was hit with very high wind gust that blew it into a high [power] line wire." According to reports from witnesses, winds were gusting up to 40 miles per hour.

Ballard said 911 was called immediately and a rescue van arrived in a matter of minutes. The Fire Rescue Team determined that the two men were stable and they were transported to United Regional Hospital in Wichita Falls. Caldwell received CPR at the scene and was air lifted to Parkland Hospital in Dallas. Byrne was transported to Parkland later by ambulance.

"This was the second year that the Wichita Amateur Radio Society had set up at Oscar Park in the City of Iowa Park for Field Day event," Ballard explained. "The antennas were located in the same location as the prior year, using the same safety practice of locating the antennas a safe distance from power lines and structures. The inverted V dipole antenna had yellow caution tape, marking guy wires and antenna end locations."

Ballard said that Byrne was released from the hospital on Monday, June 27 and was resting at home. Caldwell, who suffered more serious injuries, was released a day later.

==> + ARRL FIELD DAY: THERE'S STILL MORE TO DO FOR FIELD DAY!

The radios, antennas and the food might be put away after ARRL Field Day 2011, but there is still plenty of work to do to close the books on this annual operating extravaganza. According to ARRL Field Day Manager Dan Henderson, N1ND, the fun may be over, but many details need to be completed. "Thousands of Field Day entries will be received at ARRL headquarters over the next 30 days," he explained. "The focus now is doing what is necessary to make sure the individual and group Field Day summaries and submissions are handled accurately and efficiently." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/there-s-still-more-to-do-for-arrl-field-day>.

==> + ON THE AIR: THE IARU HF WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP -- COMING TO A RADIO NEAR YOU

Radiosport fans are gearing up for the summer's biggest HF competition: the IARU HF World Championship. This 24 hour long contest is the highlight of the summer HF contesting season, affording plenty of opportunities to work DX from all around the globe on CW and SSB, as well as make QSOs with many IARU officials and Member-Society club stations. "The IARU HF World Championship is one of Radiosport's unique events," explained ARRL Contest Branch Manager Sean Kutzko, KX9X. "It's the only major contest that uses International Telecommunication Union (ITU) zones as part of the exchange, and the only contest that gives special multiplier status for IARU Member-Society stations and IARU officials." The IARU HF World Championship runs from 1200 UTC Saturday, July 9 through 1200 UTC Sunday, July 10. Read more here

<http://www.arrl.org/news/the-iaru-hf-world-championship-coming-to-a-radio-near-you>.

==> + AMATEUR RADIO IN SPACE: ISS SURVIVES NEAR MISS OF SPACE JUNK

Just after 8 AM (EDT) on Tuesday, June 29, the six residents of the International Space Station (ISS) climbed into two Soyuz space capsules as an unidentified object hurtled past them at a speed of 29,000 miles per hour, missing the space station by only 1100 feet. This was only the second time in the 10 year history of people living on the space station that the crew needed to take such precautions. If the station had been hit, the crew could have quickly undocked from the ISS and returned to Earth via the space capsules. Currently, there are four hams on board the ISS: Ron Garan, KF5GPO (NASA), Mike Fossum, KF5AQG (NASA), Sergei Volkov, RU3DIS (RKA <http://www.roscosmos.ru/main.php?lang=en>), and Satoshi Furukawa, KE5DAW (JAXA <http://www.jaxa.jp/index_e.html>). The other two cosmonauts -- Andrey Borisenko and Alexander Samokutyaev -- are not licensed. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/iss-survives-near-miss-of-space-junk>.

==> + SATERN GETS NEW DIRECTOR

After serving as Director of the Salvation Army Team Emergency Radio Network (SATERN) for more than 23 years, Major Patrick E. McPherson, WW9E, is stepping down. Major Rick Shirran VE3NUZ, of Toronto, Ontario, has been appointed as the new Director. McPherson -- an ARRL member -- founded SATERN in June 1988. Shirran, who received his Amateur Radio license in 1975, served 12 years as a member of the Royal Canadian Navy as a Radio Operator and Communications Technician. He is a Commissioned Officer/Pastor in The Salvation Army Canada and Bermuda Territory. Prior to his appointment, Shirran served as the Emergency Disaster Services Director and SATERN Director for The Salvation Army in Canada and Bermuda Territory. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/satern-gets-new-director>.

==> SUPPORT ARRL: MEET THE ARRL SECOND CENTURY CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE

At the end of April, David W. Brandenburg, K5RQ, of Osprey, Florida, agreed to chair the ARRL Second Century Campaign. This multi-million dollar campaign will focus on building the ARRL Endowment to further secure resources to fund the League's commitment to the future. One important focus of the campaign includes the development of a robust national program geared at young people, enabling them to experience and develop skills in scientific and technological discovery through Amateur Radio. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/meet-the-arrl-second-century-campaign-committee>.

==> AT THE WORKBENCH: HOMEBREW CHALLENGE REMINDER

The ARRL has sponsored two Homebrew Challenges in the past, designed to test our members' design and construction skills by making useful amateur gear at low cost -- and sharing their results with our members.

Our first ARRL Homebrew Challenge, announced in QST for August 2006, required the construction of a 40 meter, 5 W voice and CW transceiver built for less than $50 of new parts. The Second Homebrew Challenge, announced in February 2009, resulted in a number of creative designs of low cost 50 W linear amplifiers to follow the transceiver -- two for about $30, as well as a multiband amplifier with many features for somewhat more.

For 2011, the ARRL has issued a challenge <http://www.arrl.org/homebrew-challenge> to build a transceiver in celebration of the (slow) return of sunspots. This challenge will be in two parts and hams can enter either or both options:

- Option 1: A single band 25 W SSB and CW transceiver for 10 or 6 meters, with a prize of $200.
- Option 2: A 25 W SSB and CW transceiver that can be switched between 10 and 6 meters, using one or two switches, with a prize of $300.

Instead of challenging entrants to make the transceiver at the lowest cost, the ARRL will instead challenge builders to provide the highest quality, best performance and most features within the cost target of $150 for Option 1 and $200 for Option 2. In addition to the cash prize, the winners of these challenges will have articles describing their designs in QST and will receive the usual page rate for the published articles. Additional entrants who meet the minimum requirements -- and have interesting design features -- may also be considered for QST or ARRL Web articles.

Entries for either option must be received at ARRL Headquarters no later than November 1, 2011. To be considered, each entrant must submit a working transceiver that is suitable for testing in the ARRL Lab and for on-the-air judging by the ARRL staff judges. Documentation required includes a priced parts list indicating the source and purchase price of each part, an article draft including a design description, construction hints, alignment instruction, block diagrams and schematic diagrams. Photographs may be provided, but final magazine photos will be taken by ARRL staff.

For more information, including specific requirements and evaluation criteria, please visit the ARRL Homebrew Challenge web page <http://www.arrl.org/homebrew-challenge>.

==> + SPACE WEATHER PREDICTION CENTER TO CONTINUE BROADCASTS ON WWV AND WWVH

In April 2011, the Space Weather Prediction Center (SWPC <http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/index.html>) informed the public that as of September 6, 2011, it would no longer broadcast its geophysical alert message <http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/Data/index.html#reports> on WWV <http://www.nist.gov/pml/div688/grp40/wwv.cfm> and WWVH <http://tf.nist.gov/stations/wwvh.htm>. The ARRL has now learned that the SWPC has changed its mind and will keep broadcasting these messages

that inform listeners of the solar flux, the mid-latitude A and K indices and space weather storms, both current and predicted. Due to listener feedback, the SWPC is considering updating the broadcast; in addition to providing the current daily solar flux at 2800 MHz, the SWPC is evaluating adding more frequent observations at 2695 MHz. According to the SWPC website <http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/wwv/>, other improvements to the message content will also be evaluated.

==> ARRL SURVEY UNDERWAY

The ARRL has asked an independent research company specializing in survey research to conduct a survey of Amateur Radio operators. Readex Research <http://www.readexresearch.com/> -- headquartered in Stillwater, Minnesota -- has conducted similar studies for ARRL in the past, including QST readership studies and large national surveys. This most recent survey is being conducted by mail and e-mail, and includes representative populations of Amateur Radio operators from among US and international ARRL members, as well as non-member FCC licensees. While not every member will receive a survey, participation from those individuals who are selected is critical for the success of this project. Responses will be kept confidential and only used in tabulation with others; no data about survey participants -- including contact information -- will be shared with anyone. Please contact ARRL <http://www.arrl.org/contact-arrl> if you have any questions about the survey.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "Until the Sun comes up over Santa Monica Boulevard <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I6zIEfSxqkg>" Cook, K7RA, reports: The predicted Field Day geomagnetic storm never appeared, although conditions were unsettled leading up to last weekend. The planetary A index was 7 on Saturday and Sunday, while the mid-latitude A index numbers were 5 and 6. The average daily sunspot numbers for the week were down 13 points compared to the previous week, and average daily solar flux was off by more than 7 points. The predicted solar flux for the near term is quite a bit lower than recent numbers; the forecast shows solar flux at 87 for June 30-July 4, then 85 on July 5-7, 88 on July 8-9, 92 and 96 on July 10-11, and 100 on July 12-15. The expected planetary A index is 5, 8, 10, 12 and 8 on June 30-July 4, 5 on July 5-7, 7 on July 8-9, and 5 again on July 10-18. Look for more information on the ARRL website on Friday, July 1. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by Sheryl Crow's All I Wanna Do (Is Have Some Fun) <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/All_I_Wanna_Do_%28Sheryl_Crow_song%29>.

==> + AMATEUR RADIO AMOUR: DO WE GET BONUS POINTS FOR THIS?

When you think about ARRL Field Day, a few things come to mind:
food, radios, food, antennas, food and friends. And food. But one
couple took things a little bit further when they got married at their
Field Day site. Kevin Shissler, K1FQ, and Debra Hubbard, N1FQ, both of
Cherryfield, Maine, love Field Day so much that they decided it was the
perfect place to share their love for each other -- and for Amateur
Radio. Wearing their 2011 ARRL Field Day shirts, they tied the knot on
June 25 in Deblois, Maine at the shared Field Day site of the Ellsworth
Amateur Wireless Association (EAWA <http://eawa.org/>) and Narraguagus
Bay Amateur Radio Club. In April 2010, Hubbard donated 60 percent of
her liver to co-worker Jan Watson, and now Watson had her chance to
return the favor -- she officiated the wedding.

==> + ARRL TO CLOSE IN OBSERVANCE OF FOURTH OF JULY

ARRL Headquarters will be closed in observance of Independence Day
on Monday, July 4. There will be no W1AW bulletin or code practice
transmissions <http://www.arrl.org/w1aw-operating-schedule> that day.
League Headquarters will reopen Tuesday, July 5 at 8 AM Eastern
Daylight Time. We wish everyone a safe and festive holiday weekend.

==> THIS WEEK ON THE RADIO

This week:

- July 1 -- RAC Canada Day Contest
- July 2-3 -- Venezuelan Independence Day Contest; DL-DX RTTY Contest;
PODXS 070 Club 40 Meter Firecracker Sprint (local time)
- July 3 -- DARC 10 Meter Digital Contest
- July 4-5 -- Michigan QRP July 4th CW Sprint
- July 4-10 -- 10-10 International Spirit of 76 QSO Party
- July 5 -- ARS Spartan Sprint

Next week:

- July 8 -- QRP Fox Hunt
- July 9 -- FISTS Summer Sprint
- July 9-10 -- IARU HF World Championship
<http://www.arrl.org/iaru-hf-championship>
- July 10 -- SKCC Weekend Sprint; ARCI Summer Homebrew Sprint
- July 13-14 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest
Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update
<http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest
Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more
information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out
the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page
<http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- July 2 -- ARRL Eastern Pennsylvania Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/eastern-pennsylvania-section-convention-firecra

cker-hamfest-1>,
Marysville, Pennsylvania
- July 15-17 -- ARRL Montana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/montana-state-convention-glacier-waterton-inter
national-hamfest>,
Essex, Montana
- July 29-30 -- ARRL Oklahoma State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/oklahoma-state-convention-ham-holiday-2011>,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
- August 5-6 -- ARRL Texas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/texas-state-convention-austin-summerfest-1>,
Austin, Texas
- August 5-7 -- ARRL Rocky Mountain Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/rocky-mountain-division-convention-1>,
Taos, New Mexico; ARRL Midwest Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/midwest-division-convention>, Cedar
Rapids, Iowa
- August 20 -- ARRL West Virginia State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-virginia-state-convention-1>,
Weston, West Virginia
- August 20-21 -- ARRL Alabama State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/alabama-state-convention-huntsville-hamfest>,
Huntsville, Alabama
- August 21 -- ARRL Kansas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/kansas-state-convention-1>, Salina,
Kansas
- August 28 -- ARRL Western Pennsylvania Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/western-pennsylvania-section-convention-1>,
New Kensington, Pennsylvania
- September 9-11 -- ARRL Southwestern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southwestern-division-convention-hamcon-2011>,
Torrance, California
- September 11 -- ARRL Great Lakes Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/great-lakes-division-convention-findlay-hamfest
>,
Findlay, Ohio
- September 17 -- ARRL Roanoke Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/roanoke-division-convention-virginia-beach-hamf
est>,
Virginia Beach, Virginia
- September 24 -- ARRL Washington State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/washington-state-convention-35th-annual-spokane
-hamfest>,
Spokane Valley, Washington

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609. ZL Ham July Band Scope

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-01 01:22:32 UTC
From: Peter Bennett ZL1UPB <news-nospam1@zlham.geek.nz>
Message-ID: <iuj7gp$pb8$2@posting.glorb.com>
Source record: 4399

The July issue of ZL Ham Band Scope is out.

ZL Ham Band Scope is a round up of news, contests, views and items of
interest bought to you at the start of every month.

This month...

ZL Ham Authors
NZARNIE
RSM Matters
Special Event Call Signs
Rugby World Cup
ZL Special Part I
Freescale MC9S08 101
DX This Month
Bits And Bobs

Members can go to the ZL Ham Download section or non members can use the
link below to download your copy of Band Scope.

July 2011 Band Scope

Via FTP
ftp://zlham.geek.nz/Bandscope/bandscope-2011-7.pdf

Via HTTP
http://www.zlham.geek.nz/Bandscope/bandscope-2011-7.pdf

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610. Crossposting Permitted to rec.radio.amateur.moderated

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-01 06:00:03 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting-1-1309500001@panix.com>
Source record: 4400
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting
Revision: 1.1 2009/04/12 19:42:04
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rram/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

After a 30-day public discussion and feedback period to gauge reader
opinions in March of 2009:

http://groups.google.com/group/rec.radio.amateur.moderated/browse_thread/thread/d7d337db35
f23326

the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team has decided to consider
amending its charter, and permit limited simultaneous crossposting to
rec.radio.amateur.moderated and one other unmoderated
amateur-radio-related discussion newsgroup. We are currently trying
this on a temporary basis (90 days, through early July 2009), and adopt
it permanently if successful.

Approved rec.radio.amateur.* newsgroups are those that are currently
listed in the latest version of the "List of Big Eight Newsgroups" which
is crossposted monthly to news.announce.newgroups, news.groups, and
news.lists.misc.

Approved alt.radio.amateur.* and alt.ham-radio.* newsgroups are those
that have been created consistent with the suggestions in "So You Want
to Create an Alt Newsgroup" at:

http://www.faqs.org/faqs/alt-creation-guide/

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"radio.amateur" or "ham-radio" in their names, including
uk.radio.amateur and aus.radio.amateur.misc.

We will make every reasonable effort to keep our list of approved
newsgroups up-to-date. In case we have overlooked any, and a submission
is rejected in error as a result, the rejected submitter can E-mail us
at our administrative contact address (in the signature at the bottom of
this article, and the default Reply-To for the rejection message)
requesting that it be added, and that the article be approved. We may
still choose to reject articles crossposted to any alt.* newsgroup with
an inappropriate name, including obscene language, embedded
name-calling, or encouragement of unlawful conduct.
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Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-amateur-moderated-request@panix.com.

611. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1768 - July 2 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-01 09:00:16 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20110701090003.C83BF33C5F@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4251
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The following is a QST. A New York State representative introduces anti distracted driving legislation in Congress. Will it affect amateur radio? Also, Alberta Canada get a strange exemption from a new distracted driving law set to go into effect this fall, two people are held in connection with the death of a Wisconsin ham, the U-S Supreme Court to review the so-called safe harbor for children broadcasting rule and in the future the time on your clock may vary. Find out what we mean on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1768 coming your way right now.

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RADIO LAW: ANTI DISTRACTED DRIVING MEASURE INTRODUCED IN US HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Federal legislation to ban use of handheld phones and other mobile devices while driving has been introduced in the United States House of Representatives. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, reports:

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According to published news reports, Representative Carolyn McCarthy of New York said the legislation titled the "Safe Drivers Act of 2011" would direct the Department of Transportation to set a national standard to prohibit drivers from using hand-held mobile devices, except in certain emergency situations. The legislation, as now proposed, states a handheld device would at this time not include voice-operated, vehicle-integrated, or hands-free devices that allow an individual to operate that device without the use of either hand -except to activate or deactivate a feature or function.

In addition to developing a national handheld ban, the legislation would also require the Department of Transportation to conduct a study on all aspects of distracted driving. In particular, the study would look at cognitive distraction which involves whether drivers can still be dangerously distracted while using mobile phones even when they are operated with hands-free devices or voice commands.

Within two years of the proposed law's passage, the Department of Transportation would be required to report on its findings and possibly tighten its restrictions even further on the use of all mobile device used in vehicles. States that did not comply with the Federal government's standard within two years would be penalized by having 25% of their federal highway funding withheld.

It's unknown whether or not the use of handheld push-to-talk microphones used by two-way radio users such as police, fire, delivery services, CB operators and hams would be exempted from McCarthy's proposed national ban.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I;m Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, in Los Angeles
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The complete text of the proposal as currently written is available for download in pdf format at tinyurl.com/3w63f9t (Detroit Free Press, Infrastructurist.com, SFGte.com, others)

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RADIO LAW: ALBERTA CANADA HAMS GET TEMPORARY EXEMPTION FROM DISTRACTED DRIVER LAW

Hams in Alberta Canada have received a kind of strange dispensation from a new distracted driver law set to take effect on September 1st. The new statute will restricts drivers from using hand-held cell phones, texting or doing emailing using electronic devices like laptop computers. It also bans drivers from using video games, cameras, video entertainment displays and programming portable audio players, entering information on GPS units, reading printed materials in the vehicle writing, printing or sketching, and performing any form of personal grooming.

However, Alberta hams and other operators of two-way radio gear have been granted a temporary reprieve. This, in the form of an exemption that says any an individual who holds a Canadian radio operator certificate issued under the Radiocommunication Act may drive or operate a vehicle on a highway while holding, viewing or manipulating a 2-way radio communication device.

So whats the catch? It comes in Section 5 of the new law. It says that for the purposes of ensuring that this Regulation is reviewed for ongoing relevancy and necessity, with the option that it may be re-passed in its present or an amended form following a review, this Regulation expires on June 1, 2016.

The bottom line: It appears as if Alberta Province ham radio operators and other licensed two-way radio users don't create problems for 5 years, the exemption may be extended for many years to come. (VE6TEQ, VA6GCT via QRZ.com)

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RADIO LAW: TWO HELD IN CONNECTION TO MURDER OF WISCONSIN HAM

Two people are being held in connection with the murder of John Aegerter, WA9GAR, of Brookfield, Wisconsin. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, is in the newsroom with more:

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Authorities in Brookfield, Wisconsin have ordered Tommy V. Douyette, held on $750,000 bail on suspicion of first-degree intentional homicide and Lynn M. Hajny held on $500,000 bail on suspicion of first-degree intentional homicide, party to a crime. This in the death of 63 year old John Aegerter, WA9GAR.

Aegerter's body was discovered by Brookfield police after officers were asked by one of his employees to go to his home check on him because he had not shown up for work. His body was found face down in the garage. His ankles were tied with a black electrical cord, and a white electrical cord was around his neck. A sleeping bag had been placed partially over the body. According to court records Aegerter may have been strangled or had his neck broken during the attack at his home in a dispute over money.

Authorities said that they could not comment on what led them to arrest Douyette and Hajny. However, court records indicate that Hajny's cousin called police and told them Hajny had telephoned her and told her she had killed someone. Sometime after that call, Hajny and Douyette showed up at the woman's home and said they had been at Aegerter's home. Hajny then told her cousin Aegerter was in the garage "dead with his feet tied," and that she had taken his house and car keys, $75 in cash from his wallet and his credit card. Hajny's husband, Albert, at one time was employed by Aegerter, and Hajny had asked him about money he owed her husband, court records state.

Friends of John Aegerter say that he was an intelligent businessman who collected antique radio transmitters and other communications equipment. Jack Hughes, identified in news articles as a fellow ham radio operator is quoted as saying that Aegerter was proud to have built up his own companies. That at age 63 was a workaholic who still climbed his towers to maintain them rather than hiring others to do it.

Another friend identified as Keefe John said WA9GAR developed one of the first mobile data communications systems used in police squad cars.

At airtime, formal charges against Doyoutte and Hajny were pending.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasterenak, WA6ITF, in the newsroom in Loa Angeles.

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Authorities say that an autopsy was being conducted on Aegerter remains to determine the exact cause of death. Aegerter, who lived alone, owned a communications business and several radio towers used by cellular telephone, pager and two-way radio companies. More on this story is on

line at http://www.jsonline.com/news/waukesha/124418999. html (KM6X, K9KHJ, jsonline.com)

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>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the WA2EHL repeater serving Burlington New Jersey.

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC ISSUES NOTICE OF UNLICENSED OPERATION TO CALIFORNIA CORPORATION

A major shopping center in California has come under FCC scrutiny for allegedly operating a repeater without proper licensing. Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, has the details:

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The FCC's Los Angeles Office has issued a Notice of Unlicensed Operation to the Irvine Company which operates the Irvine Spectrum Center in California. This, after the commission received information that an unlicensed repeater was operating on a frequency pair 462.5875 and 467.5875 MHz in the Irvine area.

Back on April 27th an agent from the FCC's Los Angeles office confirmed by direction finding that radio the signals were emanating from the Irvine Spectrum Center. An inspection determined that portable radios used by the maintenance staff were simultaneously retransmitted on 462.5875 MHz by a Motorola Radius repeater. The Commission's records show that no license had been issued for operation of a radio station at this location on 462.5875 MHz.

It should be noted that the frequencies 462.5875 MHz and 467.5875 MHz are only available for use under the Family Radio Service. The repeater at the Irvine Spectrum Center could not legally operate on FRS frequencies because it does not meet the FCC's technical regulations for F-R-S operation and therefore was not certified for use under the Family Radio Service rules.

The regulatory agency's notice warned the Irvine Company to immediately cease operation of the illegal repeater station. It also gave the Irvine Company 10 days from the June 3rd date of the Notice of Unlicensed Operation to respond and provide any evidence that it has any form of authority to operate on those frequencies as granted by the FCC.

Im Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, reporting for the Amateur Radio Newsline.

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At airtime, any response made by the Irvine Center to the FCC has not been made public by either entity. (FCC)

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RADIO LAW: US SUPREME COURT WILL REVIEW FCC AUTHORITY IN SAFE HARBOR PROGRAMMING CASES

The Supreme Court says that it will review the First Amendment fight over what broadcasters can put on the airwaves when young children may be watching television. Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP, has the details:

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A June 27th release says that the justices will re-examine appeals court rulings that threw out the Federal Communications Commission's rules against the isolated use of expletives as well as fines against broadcasters who showed a woman's nude buttocks on a 2003 episode of ABC's "NYPD Blue."

In a landmark 1978 decision, the court upheld the FCC's authority to regulate both radio and television content, at least during the hours when children are likely to be watching or listening. That period includes the primetime hours before 10 p.m.

For many years, the FCC did not take action against broadcasters for one-time uses of curse words. The policy stemmed from the 1978 decision that upheld the FCC's reprimand of New York radio station WBAI for airing a George Carlin monologue containing a 12-minute string of expletives in the middle of the afternoon. This is when the FCC created the so-called safe harbor hours prohibiting the airing this type of material when youngsters were likely to be listening to the radio or watching television programming.

The "NYPD Blue" episode led to fines only for stations in the Central and Mountain time zones, where the show aired at 9 p.m.. This was inside the safe harbor child-friendly hours than the show's 10 p.m. time slot in the East and 3 hour delay in the Pacific time zone.

Another part of the case that involves fleeting expletives involving the awards shows has been to the high court before. Three years ago, the justices narrowly upheld the policy, but in a ruling that pointedly avoided dealing with First Amendment issues. Instead, the court directed the appeals court to undertake a constitutional review.

The Obama administration objected that the appeals court findings in these cases had in essence stripped the FCC of its ability to police the airwaves on matters dealing with adult language that was not suitable for children's ears and not video that parents would likely find objectionable for youngsters to see. On the other side, the television networks claim that the FCC's long-time safe harbor for children who might see such programming policy is outdated. This is because it applies only to broadcast television, leaving unregulated

the same content if transmitted on cable TV or over the Internet.

For the amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP, watching this case from Scottsdale, Arizona.

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No date was given for arguments before the court to begin nor is it known how long it might take for the justices to render their opinion. (Published news reports)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: VE3NUZ NAMED NEW DIRECTOR OF SATERN

Some names in the news. First up is Major Rick Shirran, VE3NUZ, of Toronto, Canada, who has been appointed as the new Director of the Salvation Army Team Emergency Radio Network.

Major Shirran obtained his amateur radio license in 1975. He served 12 years as a member of the Royal Canadian Navy as a Radio Operator and Communications Technician. He is a Commissioned Officer and Pastor in The Salvation Army Canada and Bermuda Territory. Prior to his appointment, Shirran served as the Emergency Disaster Services Director and SATERN Director for The Salvation Army in Canada and Bermuda Territory.

Shirran replaces Major Patrick McPherson, WW9E, who founded the Salvation Army Team Emergency Radio Network back in 1988. (SATERN, ARRL, Southgate, Others)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: VE3FFK APPOINTED AS RAC ADVISOR TO NATIONAL FIELD SECRETARIAT

Mike Kelly VE3FFK has joined Radio Amateurs of Canada as an advisor to the RAC National Field Organization Secretariat. With a wealth of emergency preparedness knowledge and experience, Radio Amateurs of Canada says that Kelly is regarded as a much needed presence in the Ottawa area in dealing with both the Federal and Provincial governments on matters relating to Wireless Radio Interoperability.

According to the RAC press release, Kelly has had a long standing relationship with the Canadian Emergency Management College and is the "go to" guy to be registered for their training programs. He is also a regular volunteer at Radio Amateurs of Canada headquarters in Ottawa. (RAC)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: KM0A AWARDED ARRL FRED FISH MEMORIAL AWARD NUMBER 4

A word of congratulations to Mark Ammann, K-M-Zero-A of Florissant, Missouri who has been awarded the ARRL Fred Fish Memorial Award #4.

According to an announcement from Contest Branch Manager Sean Kutzko, KX9X, Ammann submitted the final batch of QSLs to ARRL about a week or so ago and the cards were approved by both Kutzko and ARRL Awards Branch Manager Bill Moore, NC1L. More information on the Fred Fish Memorial Award is on-line at www.arrl.org/FFMA (VHF Reflector, KX9X)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: W5KUB TO NETCAST 2011 HUNTSVILLE HAMFEST

And Tom Medlin, W5KUB, says that he will once again be netcasting live from the 2011 Huntsville Hamfest in Alabama on August 20th nand 21st.

This is a large hamfest that pulls many people from not only the South-Eastern states but also from across the entire United States. As is usual, Tom says that he will have prizes for his viewers. He adds that as this is an all indoor hamfest at the famed Von Braun Center, it should have perfect connectivity to enable him to stream the event with what he terms as great quality video.

Toms netcast from the Huntsville Hamfest complete with ongoing chat-room will be carried live at w5kub dot com. If you cannot be there in person, this is definitely the next best way to take part. (W5KUB)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: ARNEWSLINE LOOKING FOR SPEAKERS FOR HAM RADIO TOWN MEETING IN TORRANCE CALIFORNIA ON SEPTEMBER 10

Amateur Radio Newsline will be hosting a 90 minute Ham Radio Town Forum on Saturday, September 10th at the 2011 Southwestern Division Convention. This will be a reprise of the highly successful "How to Make a Ham Radio Video in the 21st Century" conference held at the Dayton Hamvention several weeks ago.

We are currently looking for speakers from within the Southwestern Division or others who may be visiting the area and who work in the T-V or film industries to speak at this session. If you are interested in being a part of this session please contact us by e-mail to Newsline (at) arnewsline (dot) org.

This years Southwestern Division Convention runs from Friday, September 9th to the Sunday the 11th. The venue is the Marriott Torrance South Bay, 3635 Fashion Way, Torrance, California. More about it is on-line at www.hamconinc.org. We hope to see many of you there. (ARNewsline(tm))

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This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the

world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: ALE HFN REACHES 4 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS OPERATION

The Global Automatic Link Establishment High Frequency Network has set a new time on the air record. This, by operating continuously on all international amateur radio shortwave bands 24 hours a day, 365 days a year for 4 years.

While crested to foster High Frequency interoperability between all types of organizations, agencies, individual ham operators and nets with a primary focus in international emergency communications, the service also has ample capacity for radio operators everywhere to use for ordinary calling and QSO's, including some DX'ing. And with about 2000 registered operators, the High Frequency Network covers a vast area of the planet.

All radio stations in this worldwide system scan the ham bands every 10 seconds, rapidly maintaining contact through short digital bursts of signals using a system known as Automatic Link Establishment or A-L-E. More information is on line at hflink.net (KQ6XA)

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TECHNOLOGY TRYOUT: POWER COMPANIES TO EXPERIMENT WITH NOT HOLDING POWERLINES TO 60 HZ

If you are a United States radio amateur that depends on a powerline synchronized clock for logging and other station operations, you might want to look toward buying a stand alone unit that does not rely on the power at your outlet being precisely 60 hertz. This is because of an upcoming yearlong experiment with the nations electric grid could unsynchronize clocks that use synchronous motors to display the time.

Since 1930, electric clocks have kept time based on the rate of the frequency of the A-C electrical current that powers them. If the frequency changes from its usual 60 hertz rate, clocks run a little fast or slow. Power companies have long taken steps to keep the frequency as close to 60 hertz as is possible but the group that oversees the U.S. power grid, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, is proposing an experiment that would allow more frequency variation than it does now without corrections being made.

The North American Electric Reliability Corporation runs the nation's interlocking web of transmission lines and power plants. At a June 14th company presentation it spelled out the potential effects of the change. It said that synchronous motor driven clocks or any timing device that uses the 60 Hertz powerline as a time base to lock to can be off by ba signifigant amount. On the East Coast clocks could run as

much as 20 minutes fast over the year. Clocks West Coast are only likely to be off by 8 minutes during the 12 month long test.

The test is tentatively set to start in mid July. More on this upcoming experiment with the time of day can be found on line at tinyurl.com/3h6lfcn and tinyurl.com/3uzut3g along with other on-line news websites. (Various)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: JULY 15 DEADLINE TO SCHEDULE ARISS CONTACTS

In ham radio space related news, word that NASA is seeking formal and informal education institutions and organizations in the United States, individually or working together, to host an Amateur Radio on the International Space Station, or ARISS, contact. This, between the dates of January 15 and July 15, 2012.

To maximize these radio contact opportunities, NASA is looking for organizations that will draw large numbers of participants and integrate the contact into a well-developed education plan.

During the first six months of 2012, crew members aboard the International Space Station will participate in prescheduled amateur radio contacts in addition to random operation. These scheduled radio contacts are approximately 10 minutes in length and allow students and educators to interact with the astronauts through a question-and-answer session.

An ARISS contact is a voice-only communication opportunity via amateur radio between astronauts and cosmonauts aboard the space station and classrooms and communities. ARISS contacts afford education audiences the opportunity to learn firsthand from astronauts what it is like to live and work in space. Due to the nature of human spaceflight, organizations must demonstrate the flexibility to accommodate changes in contact dates and times.

Interested parties should contact Teaching From Space to obtain information related to expectations, content, format, audience, proposal guidelines and forms by sending an e-mail to JSC-TFS-ARISS@mail.nasa.gov or by calling 281-244-2320. The deadline to submit a proposal is July 15th. More information is on-line at tinyurl.com/6fc2lzn (NASA, ARISS)

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SPACE SCIENCE: A YEAR OF THE MOON IN 2 &#65533; MINUTES

And a new on-line time lapse video of the Moon produced by the Goddard Space Flight Center's Scientific Visualization Studio compresses one month into 12 seconds and one year into 2.5 minutes. Constructed using data data from the Lunar Reconnaissance Orbiter spacecraft, the video shows how the Moon wobbles in its orbit, the way that it changes in libration and axis tilt and the is numerous phases. You will find the

video at YouTube by taking the shortcut of tinyurl.com/3ffmhbe (NASA, AMSAT)
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DX

In DX, PY2FN will be active as PY0FO from Fernando de Noronha through July 9th. Operations will be on 160 through 6 meters on CW only. Logs will be uploaded to Logbook of the World QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

F8IJV will be active as 6V7Q from the Le Calao resort in Senegal between October 22nd and November 11th. Operations will be on 160 through 6 meters, operating mainly on SSB, possibly some Digital and CW. Log will be uploaded to Logbook of thew World. QSL via his home callsign, direct or via the bureau.

Lastly, VA2WDQ, will be on the air portable FP from Miquelon Islland between July 7th and the 11th. Activity will be on 160 through 6 meters using mostly CW with some SSB. His main goal is to participate in the IARU HF Championship on July 9th and 10th. All logs will be uploaded to Logbook of the World and to eQSL once he returns home.

Above from various DX news sources

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THAT FINAL ITEM: 13 COLONIES EVENT CELEBRATES AMERICA'S BIRTHDAY

And finally this week, from now through July 5th, you'll have a special opportunity to look for and work a group of amateur radio stations operating from the 13 original American colonies. You'll be able to score some nice QSL cards and a great certificate for your effort, too. We get more from Philadelphia, the birthplace of American liberty, from Amateur Radio Newsline's Mark Abramowicz, NT3V, with all the details:

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Yes, the Fourth of July holiday weekend is a long and busy time.

But if you have a couple of spare minutes, maybe a few hours, there is an operating event worth your time.

It's the annual 13th Colonies special event.

Ken Villone, KU2US, is the event manager...

"We added more operators and more modes," Villone says. "We're doing CW, we doing side-band, we're doing PSK-31.

"In fact, we have one club that's just specifically is going to be operating on PSK-31. "And, this year is the first year that we will have all of the satellites representing the 13 colonies states. So a clean sweep of the colony states on the birds is a possibility. But it's going to be really hard to do this."

To emphasize the theme of "Independence," Villone says stations will be on the air during the event from Philadelphia.

"It's the whole patriotic theme of the event, the time that it's going to take place during the Fourth of July week," Villone says. "And, also, the Holmesburg Amateur Radio Club fit right in beautifully with the theme because of the Independence Hall."

Bob Josuweit WA3PZO is helping to coordinate the Holmesburg club's operations... "We'll have several stations on the air in a Field day-type operation, actually operating from people's homes," Josuweit says. "But, we'll be rotating bands and modes during the course of the holiday so that we can all enjoy part of the holiday with our families but still to keep the call sign on the air and work as many people as possible."

Josuweit says this is the first year Philadelphia will be directly represented in the event...

"After all, that's where the Declaration of Independence was signed and created," Josuweit says. "And, we'll be using our club call sign of WM3PEN, we affectionately know for William Penn, the founder of Philadelphia."

Event coordinator, Ken Villone says, you don't have to be a contester to work the event. He compared operations to the ARRL's Sweepstakes event. But, in this case, he cautions, it may require some patience...

"The person who wants to contact us, basically will probably have to work through pile-ups because it's very hard to find where we are just by going through the frequencies and hunting," Villone says. "So you have to really be on top of everything and all of our operators basically, they pick their own time and their own frequency to operate.

"There's no set of rules for that. So, it's basically like the same way that you would operate on the ARRL event."

Villone says check the DX Clusters and links for callouts. And, if you work a Colony station, he'd love to see you post it there so others can get in on the fun.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Mark Abramowicz, NT3V, in Philadelphia.

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For more information about the 13 Colonies, event, check out the website www.13colonies.info (NT3V)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB, the Southgate News and Australia's WIA News, that's all from

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Before we go, we have to announce that the nominating period for the year 2011 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award is now closed. The cutoff date for paper nominations to be postmarked was midnight, September 30th your local time. Electronically filed nominations had to be time-stamped the same.

It will likely be about three weeks before we have the name of this year's Young Ham of the Year Award recipient. As soon as the judging committee completes its work, we will announce whomever it is that they have chosen on a future Newsline report.

Meantime, our thanks to those of you who took the time to nominate a young radio amateur this year. As we all know, today's young hams will be tomorrows leaders and the people who will carry on the traditions of our hobby.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Jim Damron, N8TMW, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING July 03 2011 FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE OF AUSTRALIA
FOR WEEK COMMENCING JULY 3 2011.

Sometimes when news arrives we check the date, in case it's meant for April One!

This story is one of those!

It's about a DXpedition requiring the services of polar bear guards,
electrically charged bear fences and "Polar Bear Spray".

This is the first-time IOTA activation of Point Lay Barrier Island IOTA NA-242.

July 22 - 26 July (2011) CALLSIGN: K6VVA/KL7

QSL ROUTE: ONLY via N6AWD (Direct or Bureau)

NA-242 is primarily CW on 40/30/20/17m.

Due to the possibility of polar bears at NA-242, they have purchased electric
bear fences, bear spray, and will hire one or more local "Bear Guards" with
heavy firepower for 24/7 protection.

WEBSITE: http://www.k6vva.com/iota/na242

(Rick, K6VVA The Locust via Southgate)

South Australian newspaper "Border Watch" is reporting on what they say is a "Remarkable rescue".

Two men have been lucky to survive nearly four hours in icy waters after their boat capsized off the coast of Port MacDonnell on Saturday afternoon.

The two Geelong men, both aged in their 50s, were rescued 14km off the coast of Port MacDonnell after a wave swamped their five-metre vessel.

Miraculously, the men managed to dive under the capsized boat and recover an emergency beacon before clinging to the vessel.

The pair were able to transmit an emergency message to Australia Search and Rescue (AusSar) services in Canberra, which in turn alerted emergency services in South Australia.

However, the vessel sank shortly after the signal was sent, leaving both men clutching to an esky in the freezing water as it became dark.

The rescuing craft's captain said "the men were in a poor state when they were pulled aboard. They were suffering very badly from hypothermia".

Are you interested in any way with VHF, UHF or microwave bands? Then perhaps you should consider attending the annual GippsTech technical conference, held each year in July at Churchill.

This year, it looks like they have a very full program across the 2 days.

Saturday lunch will be a spit roast, with vegetarian options (if pre-booked).

Sunday lunch will be pizza, with vegetarian and gluten free options (if pre-booked).

The Saturday evening Conference Dinner will again be at the Morwell Club, with a smorgasbord main course and buy your own drinks at the bar.

Register NOW!

Download the form from http://www.vk3bez.org/ and follow the links to GippsTech.

Registrations need to be in TODAY - No guarantee of food for those who register after Today Sunday 3 July.

(sourced to a release by Peter VK3PF)

This is Jack VK3WWW with an update for the 8th IARU Region 3 ARDF Championships.

I expect you are all aware by now of the date but if you are not they will be on from 23rd through to the 28th of September.

Things are really hotting up now with many of the International teams busy organising entry visas and air transport. One of the interesting things is the popularity of the event in China. Recently I received a request from the Chinese Radio Sports Association CRSA if they could send extra competitors not

just a couple but 40 extra competitors. In places like China, ARDF has been very popular for a long time. It is even an elective sport in some schools.

When I first started out in ARDF financial backing and selection for a Chinese team was done at a government level. Later on the Government only subsidised a little bit of the costs and now I expect they all pay there own way like we do.

How things change.

The 8th IARU Region 3 ARDF Championships will be in the Maldon, Bendigo and Castlemaine region so competitors will get to really see some of our natural bush.

Our Australian team is not confirmed yet as most of the usual VK competitors are busy organising the event. If you are interested in Competing, Spectating or even better Volunteering I would love to hear from you.

For more information about the event check out the event website www.r3.ardf.org.au

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The Remembrance Day Contest for 2011, is on the weekend 13-14 August.

The RD will commence at the same time as in previous years, that is 0800 and run until to 0759 UTC the following day.

Although an overwhelming majority of people at the AGM open forum in Darwin supported a revision of the starting time, it was not possible to have a discussion with the contest manager before the rules had to be placed with the publications team in time for inclusion in July Amateur Radio magazine.

With the establishment of the proposed Contest Committee, all contest rules will be reviewed and where practical will be standardised. "

cheers and thanks

Bob
VK6POP
WIA Director

Good Morning fellow amateurs and short wave listeners.

This short report was submitted by Chris VK5CP, unfortunately he was unable to prepare an audio file in preparation for this weeks broadcast and has asked me to present the report on his behalf.

As this is Chris's first report he wanted me to tell you a little about himself. Chris became interested in radio during the CB craze in the 1970's. At that time Chris was finishing High School and mobile phones had not been invented yet. Radio was a fun way to communicate and talk to people on the other side of

the globe. Chris passed his Novice exam in 1978 but had to wait until 1993 in order to find John Kelleher VK3DP to assist him conquer the code. With the help of Rob Charmicheal and Jim Linton, Chris got his combined call in 1993. Chris's practical radio knowledge has been acquired using the trial and error method which has involved letting the smoke out a number of components. With the assistance of his colleagues at the Amateur Radio Experimenters Group in Adelaide his skills are slowly expanding. Chris has been a WIA Board Member just over a year.

On the Queens Birthday long weekend Chris travelled to Mount Gambier to brave the cold damp world of fox hunting with the South East Radio Group. A record number of 11 teams from VK3 and VK5 participated in a weekend of fox hunts including the inaugural Wayne Kilpatrick Memorial Night Fox Hunt.

Much fun was had walking around Crater Lake waving 3 element 2 metre yagis, receivers squealing away searching for 10 tiny hidden transmitters as a confused public looked on. Then the car based hunts commenced, the first fox was a 80W 70cm signal emanating from a 10 element yagi in a Victorian Forest! Some took a direct route and got bogged, our team got bogged trying to rescue the bogged competitors. The night hunt was a long distance affair which finished near midnight. I felt for the poor foxes freezing in the forest waiting to be found.

On Sunday we had some sunshine and attended a nice Hamfest with a good variety of stalls and saw a homebrew competition of a very high standard.

After another day of hunts, the SERG team put on a fantastic BBQ and handed out certificates to the successful competitors with VK3 scoring strongly.

The weekend was a good opportunity to catch up with the VK3 and VK5 foxhunting fraternity and meet the SERG members who are doing their bit to encourage new entrants to our hobby. It was a well managed event, keep up the great work SERG!

73 de Chris VK5CP (presently portable Olympic Dam)

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK1

There is currently an unknown signal interfering with the 2m Ginini repeater which historically occurs to this repeater (and sometimes the Bulls Head repeater) around this time of year.

This is causing the repeater to time out - periodically coming back up when the interfering signal drops beneath the receiver threshold, but effectively making the repeater unusable.

As there is nothing CRARC can do at this point, I am afraid it is a case of hurry up and wait!

(Glenn vk1nut)

VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news

Waverley Amateur Radio Society will be holding its annual auction and table sale of small items on Saturday, July 9th at the clubhouse in Vickery Avenue, Rose Bay, Sydney.

Gates open 8:30 and the main sale starts at 10:30.

Goods consist of useful ham radio and electronic gear and the auction is open to all wishing to buy or sell.

Full details, including descriptions and pictures of some of the items to be sold, are available on the club's web site at www.vk2bv.org

(wia events)

ORARC AGM

Saturday, 30th July

The next ORARC Meeting will be Saturday, 30th July at 2:30pm, their annual general meeting. Venue will be the Veterans Centre Cnr of High and Palmer Streets, South Dubbo

(Jon)

VK4 - QNEWS
web service local audio news:- www.wiaq.com/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
local news email qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
VKR Roundup http://www.police.qld.gov.au/News+and+Alerts/Media+Releases/

Welcome to QNews from VK4WIA. I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP and I've been thinking.

Just to restate a point that I have made before; it has been the capacity of the radio amateurs that I have known, over the years, to share their interest in this hobby. This is the point that I have made that we will grow our membership more by the enthusiasm of individuals than by any other means.

To step back a little - it is the skills and experience of many people that bring the web pages, the magazines and news broadcasts to us. It is the capacity of individuals to work together that builds our clubs and interest groups. It is the enjoyment of the activities that stimulate our grey cells that enables us all to tell the story which will engage a budding enthusiast to join the hobby.

Just remember that many of us manage to do some jobs well but each of us is an individual who has strengths that we can share. It can be as important to exhibit proper operating procedure as it is knowing how to mark out the lines that allow cutting material for a home brew project. It can be as important to bring some-one into a working shack and demonstrating how to do certain things as it is to take a photo for the club newsletter.

In other words, each of us have the opportunity to do what those who preceded us did for us, share our hobby. Have you told some one about amateur radio,

this week?

I'm Geoff Emery and that is what I think.....how about you?

CENTRAL QUEENSLAND AR CLUB
Rockhampton
cqar.com.au

The Central Queensland Amateur Radio Association Inc is going from strength to strength with our membership growing. Jack VK4JRC has organized a digital training day at the Rockhampton Heritage Village on how to use the SignaLink external USB soundcard on digital mode's for member's and interested parties, Jack has also been running hf test's on the Mount Morgan Dam with his plastic titanic. The plastic titanic is a plastic canoe with an electric motor fitted and it incorporates a HF radio and a HF and 6 metre antenna.

Plan's are well underway for the light house weekend at Seahill Lighthouse and we have a foundation licence weekend coming up in July. Plan's are also underway for an annual event for the club to be held in October.

Jack VK4JRC gave us a very interesting presentation at our last meeting on his trip to Lord Howe island. It is amazing what you can do with little equipment and how you can utilise the environment without harm to you or the environment.

The club meets the second Sunday of each month at the French Sport's Club at 6pm for a meal and chat prior to the meeting starting at 7pm. Ray VK4HOT will be giving us a presentation at the July meeting on the subject of making hydrogen for his car.

This text was written by Dave, VK4DJC and spoken by Adam, VK4MTJ on behalf of the Central Queensland Amateur Radio Association Inc.

Redcliffe and District Radio Club
www.redclifferadioclub.org.au/

I'm Ray, VK4CF with news from Redcliffe & Districts Radio club.

After a few weeks of illness and work commitments, I am back to tell you of the goings-on at the Redcliffe club.

One of our club members Reverend John, VK4BZ, has left to be with his battalion in Afghanistan and should be back early next year. John decided not to take any ham gear with him and currently trying to find a friendly American ham in the location who could assist but as yet no luck.

Last Monday night the AGM was held with some 47 members present. Peter VK4TAA retired as secretary after some 7 years in the job and the new secretary is Roger, VK4ZLQ. Peter VK4EA also retired as treasurer and Chris, VK4ANI is the new treasurer. David VK4DC remains as club president.

Two welcomed visors to the meeting were VK3XPD, VK5DK who were visiting the area and were most welcomed by club members.

About 2 weeks ago the club participated in an fund raiser at Bunning's which ended early in the afternoon with heavy rain and a washout of the crowds but

the club was able to raise some $900. The club hopes to get another booking later in the year to do it all again but this time without the rain.

The next club technical talk is on the 3rd Monday in July and it will be John, VK4YJV, and the topic will be basic Metallurgy. In August it will be James, VK4TJF, on RFI, In September, Kevin, VK4UH, Norfolk Island Expedition and in October, Bob, VK4ZB, on PIC controls and software.

Training continues at the club with a second foundation course to be held before the end of the year, a Standard License course with 7 candidates has started and is progressing well and an advanced course is running and is scheduled to be completed about September with 7 candidates.

The club will be holding its first working bee at the club house on July 16 and the plan is to replace the guttering on the road side of the club house.

The club was been advised that the convener of the competition can no longer carry out this function after this year. Accordingly he had asked for expressions of interest to carry on this position. The Executive committee considered that as this club had regularly participated in the competition that we should volunteer our services. Kevin VK4UH advised that he with the assistance of the club, would volunteer to be the convenor.

So now it's back to the rest of QNEWS and it's 73 until next time from Ray, VK4CF, from the Redcliffe club.

TABLELANDS RADIO AND ELECTRONICS CLUB
vk4wat@wia.org.au
www.treclub.org.au

G'Day again from the chilly north this is Dale VK4DMC for the Tablelands Radio and Electronics Club, TREC, in Far North Queensland.

During the past week TREC members have been providing communications support and check point manning for the Far North Equestrian Riders Association on the Atherton Tablelands. This was a 5 day horse endurance event with over 50 riders taking part. They traverse a variety of terrains, mainly savannah scrub, with some very steep ascents and descents. 146.500 (CH.50) is the primary frequency used with the VK4RTA repeater being used as a secondary frequency. It gives members experience in setting up field antennas and relaying traffic back to the base station VK4WAT/p. Some check points were only accessible by 4WD vehicles.

The weather was wet and cold necessitating warm clothing and lots of cups of hot soup. The event finished on Saturday and was completed successfully with no casualties both to the riders and the radio operators.

TREC held a well attended meeting last Saturday with many interesting topics being discussed. Chris VK4YCG bought along his brand new Spectrum Analyser for Show and Tell.

Well that's your lot for this week.

Visit the TREC website at www.treclub.org.au for club information and you can also download the latest monthly club news in TREC-NEWS. Past issues are also available on the site.

This has been Dale VK4DMC and you are listening to the WIA news. Travel Well!

Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP from MERG is inviting us all to the Wide Bay Ham Fest on 16th July.

This is the third year the Maryborough Electronics and Radio Group has held the Ham Fest. We have a range of tables available both inside and outside the hall. Both new and pre-loved equipment will be available on the day and the food is being prepared and sold by the local Scout Group.

If you wish to book a table for Saturday 16th July, please contact MERG, Inc via http://www.wia.org.au affiliated clubs or directly to Ray Stockdale, VK4TPT, QTHR. The hall will be open to exhibitors from 7a.m. on the morning.

If you want to come and have a cuppa and a chat, catch up on friends and score a bargain - then find your way to the Maryborough West Scout Hall.

There is ample parking and the hall is wheel chair accessible. So if you are in the area, we would love to see you at the Wide Bay Ham Fest, Maryborough West Scout Hall, Ariadne Street, Maryborough at 9.00 o'clock Saturday 16th July next.

EDUCATION YOUTH AND ADVANCEMENT OF AMATEUR RADIO
www.hamcollege.com.au

Jon VK2JDB from the ORANA region Amateur Radio Club says their club has been invited us to attend a Scouts meeting on Monday 1st August. This to enable the radio club to give the entire meeting, from 7-9pm a full demonstration of the wonderful world of amateur radio.

The propose a brief PowerPoint Display on amateur radio with particular emphasis on safety and a few rigs set up for use. Luckily there is a tower right next to the Scout hall.

This will be great practice prior to JOTA in October.

Details:
1st Dubbo Scout Group
Cnr Talbragar & Fitzroy Sts., Dubbo
Monday 1st August
7pm - 9pm

Please reply if you can attend and if you can supply any equipment. Since our next meeting (AGM) is the Saturday prior to the Scouts meeting, it doesn't give us any time to prepare. Is it possible for the members wanting to attend the Scouts meeting to get together mid July to organise ourselves?

Cheers,
Jon
(orana region ar club)

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART and the WW sources of the WIA.

BBC Radio 5 Live and Radio 5 Live Sports Extra are conducting an experiment for the Wimbledon tennis tournament, user-customizable audio feeds where the ratio of crowd noise to commentary can be tweaked to suit the individual listener's preference.

Those who want to hear more analysis and description can move the slider on the online NetMix Player in one direction, or in the opposite direction to add more court-side atmosphere.

The NetMix Player feeds, available in Windows and Macintosh versions, are only available during live coverage of matches Centre Court.

One year of the Moon in 2.5 minutes

A time lapsed video from the Goddard Space Flight Centre Scientific Visualization Studio, uses data from the Lunar Reconnaissance Orbiter and compresses one month into 12 seconds and one year into 2.5 minutes.

You'll see how the Moon "wobbles" in its orbit, the changes in libration, and axis tilt and the Moon's phases

NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

NEW EMERGENCY SERVICES DX GROUP ON FACEBOOK

A new amateur radio group has been formed for hams who are also members of one of the various emergency services. Based in the United Kingdom, the group will initially be coordinated via the Facebook social networking site with membership open to retired or serving members of any of the emergency services.

The group is free to join.

Simply search for Emergency Services Amateur Radio DX Group on Facebook and sign up, or contact GM0GMN directly at his call book address.

ISTANBUL UNIVERSITY STUDENTS ANNOUNCE PLANS FOR NEW HAMSAT

Students at Istanbul Technical University in Turkey are working on a CubeSat ham radio satellite that will host a linear transponder for SSB and CW amateur radio communications.

Dubbed TURKSAT-3USAT the bird will carry a 50 kHz bandwidth 2 meter to 70 centimetre linear transponder, a beacon and telemetry downlink. Planners hope to launch this new bird into a Sun Synchronous orbit of around 680 kilometres sometime in early 2012.

This will be the Istanbul Technical University's first ever communication satellite. More on the project is in cyberspace at tinyurl.com/6hyxh7h

FRANCE BANS NEWSCASTS FROM PROMOTING FACEBOOK AND TWITTER

In a move that will hinder news organizations ability to reach their audiences via social media, France has banned the use of the words Twitter and Facebook from radio and TV newscasts. This, unless they are directly a part of a news

story.

News reports out of Europe say that broadcasting news anchors and other on-air talent are now forbidden to refer to popular social networking sites and the micro-blogging phenomenon, unless it is pivotal and relevant to a news item. As such, French radio and television stations will no longer be able to ask their audiences to follow or friend them on these services during newscasts.

Ryan Murphy, is the Digital Media Editor for the Radio and Television News Directors Association. He is quoted as saying that this controversial move is the result of a 1992 French government decree. One that states commercial enterprises should not be promoted on news programs.

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2011

July 9 WIA 160m CW & Digital Trans-Tasman contest

Aug 13-14 WIA Remembrance Day Contest

Aug 20-21 WW I.L.L.W.

Oct 22 WIA Jack Files Contest

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January VK Ross Hull Memorial VHF UHF Contest

March 17-18 VK JOHN MOYLE MEMORIAL FIELD DAY

June Long Weekend (vk4 time) VK Shires Contest.

Registrations up for the International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend

It began in 1998 with 40 countries represented by 158 registrations. Around 50 countries will join this annual fun event when it occurs on August 20 and 21 this year.

With the 14th annual ILLW less than two months away entries are up 10% up on last year, with top numbers being Australia in the lead on 44, followed by the USA with 41 and Germany at 37.

>From the beginning and still running strong are Argentina, Australia, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, England, Finland, France, Germany, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Northern Ireland, Poland, Portugal, Puerto Rico, Scotland, Sweden, USA and Wales.

New countries this year are Azerbaijan and Thailand. Other smaller countries such as the Isle of Man, Lebanon, Namibia and St Lucia are in the mix.

Organiser Kevin Mulcahy VK2CE says he's hoping to have close to 500 entries this year as the unique event continues to grow in popularity.

It is not a contest, runs for one weekend only and there are no strict rules just guidelines. Check out the website ILLW.NET for more information

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

Illawarra Amateur Radio Society in VK2.

They will be manning the Point Perpendicular lighthouse at Jervis Bay.
The solar lighthouse installed in 1993 will be turned off for the weekend
and the grand old light built in 1899 will be relit.

Once again, this icon will guide ships safely along the NSW south coast
shipping lanes. The club station VK2AMW will be in the lighthouse keepers'
cottage for the duration of the event.

(vk2wi)

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

Hellenic Amateur Radio Association of Australia out to Lord Howe Island VK9HR.
24th July to 2nd August 2011.

Morse celebrations

Members of the Japan A1 Club will activate the following special callsign until
December 31st:

8J1MORSE, 8J1MORSE/2, 8J1MORSE/3 etc,
according to the district from which they are active from. Activity is to
celebrate 220th anniversary of Samuel Morse's birthday.

Operations will be mainly CW, with some SSB (to explain the novices how to
join the CW community). Some special awards are also available too.

QSL by the Bureau

Logs will be uploaded to LoTW as well.

For more details, the English rules and information are available at:
http://8j1morse.a1tokai.net

DL0YLWM Women's Football World Cup

The Deutsche Amateur Radio Club is sponsoring an award to celebrate
the 2011 Women's Football World Cup.

Between 1st June and 31st July, the special station DL0YLWM and YL district
stations will be on the air.

The first two weeks of Amateur Radio Special Event activity for the Women's
Soccer World Cup in Germany, produced more than 51,000 QSOs with the
YL-specific stations in the online log.

Full details at www.darc.ce, search on the website for DL0YLWM.

In DX, the Intrepid-DX Group and the DX Friends plan to activate the Southern
Sudan as a new country on or after July 9th. At airtime members of the two
groups report that they are in consultation with representatives of the new
Southern Sudan Government, the International Telecommunications Union and the
International Amateur Radio Union working on making arrangements.
More on this proposed operation will be posted on-line at
www.dxfriends.com/SouthernSudan2011

Text message alerts boost 'ham' radio contacts

Radio amateurs now have a helping hand in their quest for contacting rare or distant radio stations.

Although it "goes against the grain" promoting a service that charges other hams in this predominantly volunteer service, DX Station is an innovative SMS text message service that alerts radio amateurs when the sought-after radio station's signal is spotted on the radio dial.

The use of real-time text messages gives paid up subscribers to DX Station a competitive advantage, since they can hopefully contact the distant radio station before their colleagues join the fray.

A reduced fee trial is offered for just the first month of subscription.

(sourced to southgate)

MEDIA WATCH
www.cq-amateur-radio.com/WorldRadio.html
VK Club Bulletins http://groups.yahoo.com/group/aarnie/

Radio Foxtrot 100

There's a new radio station on the web, and this one is aimed at amateur radio enthusiasts.

With a mixture of music, chat and ham radio items, Radio Foxtrot 100 is the brainchild of Anthony, EI9GMB, from Dundalk in Co.Louth, Ireland.

Tony says the station is aimed at amateur radio operators and listeners alike, and is on-the-air 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

So, click the link and give it a try - Radio Foxtrot 100

http://foxtrot100.weebly.com/

BROADCAST MONITORING SWL AND SCANNER NEWS

Thousands sign petitions of support for RNW

More than 11,000 people have signed a petition to preserve Radio Netherlands World wide's Dutch-language broadcasts.

Iede de Vries, Chairman of the Action Committee, says that in addition there are about 7000 signatures from listeners who depend on programmes in one of the other nine languages.

There are also separate petitions from former ambassadors, business and journalistic organizations. Mr De Vries will lead a delegation from RNW who will hand the petitions to the Dutch parliament on Monday, prior to the debate about the substantial cuts in public broadcasting, including RNW.

Mr De Vries says several hundred people from around the world have also sent a personal letter to the Lower House. He says a lot of support has been received from the more than 3,000 partner stations worldwide that carry RNW programmes. He says he suspects that many MPs don't know about many of the things that

RNW does, and advocates a postponement of the decision, allowing the broadcaster to inform MPs about the consequences of the cuts.

On Friday, the government announced that the current budget of 46 million euros would be reduced to just 14 million euros, a cut of 70 percent which will mean the loss of up to 250 jobs.

A reminder that a special live programme in Dutch will be on the air from The Hague today (27 June) at 0600-1200 UTC on the following outlets:

107.5 FM (In and around the Plein in The Hague next to the Dutch parliament building)

1296 AM medium wave (For the Netherlands, Belgium and Luxembourg)

Shortwave 5955 and 9895 kHz (West, Central and SW Europe)

Shortwave 13700 kHz from 1000 UTC (SW and SE Europe)

BBC World Service receives millions to increase Arabic broadcasts.

The BBC World Service is getting a funding increase to the tune of £2.2 million per year over the next three years.

This comes after the government broadcaster's funds were slashed last year, forcing it to announce the cancellation of 5 of its 32 language broadcasts and reduced service on others.

The money will go to boost the Arabic language programs. An additional £9 million is being reallocated to save the Hindi shortwave service, which was slated to be shut down.

The Arabic language service is getting more attention both from the UK government and people in the region because of the ongoing unrest there. The Hindi service also has a huge number of listeners.

The BBC World Service broadcasts on TV, mobile, and online, but in many regions its shortwave broadcasts are still crucial. While listening to shortwave may seem old fashioned, in many Middle Eastern countries the Internet is censored or gets shut off completely during times of unrest. Also, many people in the developing world have a shortwave radio, but little access to the Internet.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ARDF
WIA ARDF COORDINATOR VK3WWW Jack vk3www@wia.org.au
http://users.mackay.net.au/~ron/
http://www.homingin.com
http://www.ardf.org.au

Sep 23-28 R3 Region 3 ARDF Championship Bendigo VK3
http://r3.ardf.org.au/

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS - FAITH.

Pope posts first Twitter message

VATICAN CITY - Using an iPope er iPad POPE Benedict XVI wrote a message on Twitter Tuesday announcing the launch of a new Vatican website in the first 'tweet' by a leader of the Roman Catholic Church.

The Vatican has embraced social media in recent months, launching popular Facebook and YouTube pages and courting bloggers as it tries to get the Church's message out to a wider and more youthful audience.

The news.va web portal is also set to be formally launched.

It will provide news and pictures from the Vatican's radio and television stations

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

AMSAT-VK UNOFFICIAL HF Net.
2nd Sunday each month.
April through October 1000 UTC 3.685 MHz
November through March 0900 UTC 7.068 MHz

The six crew of the International Space Station had to scramble for cover this week when a piece of space debris bore down on the orbiting station.

They temporarily took shelter in the Russian spacecraft, Soyuz, when the lump of space junk zoomed in on the station, the Russian Interfax news agency said.

It missed them by 250 metres - a hairsbreadth in space terms.

The team returned to the station after the debris junk passed by.

The station was not able to adjust the orbit to avert a possible collision because it detected the space junk too late, the agency said.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- INTERNET --- THE HAMS DOMAIN
TWITTER http://twitter.com/VK1WIA
www.HamRadioNation.com

QSLogBook goes live!

The Social Networking site for Amateur Radio Enthusiasts QSLogBook is the next niche social network, geared towards the Amateur Radio World.

While QSLogbook does allow users to post news and information it is a site that is mainly set up to allow users from around the world to communicate and to send each other frequencies and call sign information.

There are a number of tools that make social networking easier when using QSLogBook. Not only can users view their contacts (called "friends"), they can also see contacts that are linked to their friends. In this way, it is possible for users to see their entire extended social network.

British Library makes Google search deal

Thousands of pages from one of the world's biggest collections of historic books, pamphlets and periodicals are to be made available on the internet.

The British Library has reached a deal with search engine Google about 250,000 texts dating back to the 18th Century.

It will allow readers to view, search and copy the out-of-copyright works at no charge on both the library and Google books websites.

CBS says there are a million free tracks available today on its site MP3.com

Its Interactive Music Group has embarked on a campaign to promote the newly redesigned 14-year-old site. The campaign will run into late July. .

CBS took over MP3.com as part of its 2008 purchase of CNET. The announcement of the relaunch of MP3.com came from CBS Interactive Music Group head David Goodman. It calls MP3.com "the original online source for free legal music downloads" and said its emphasis would remain on emerging and indy artists.

Features on MP3.com include a free MP3 of the day, label of the week, "On the Scene" editorial feature and dedicated artist radio stations from sister CBS service Last.fm

REWIND

Meccano Magazine now online

Editions of Meccano Magazine from 1916 until 1981 are now available online.

The Internet enables classic magazines such as this to be read by a new generation.

Among the many articles available are:

November 1957 - Jodrell Bank
http://meccano.magazines.free.fr/html/1957/5711/57110532.htm

March 1962 - Space Notes - Introducing the 'Cosmic Butterfly'
http://meccano.magazines.free.fr/html/1962/6203/62030096.htm

January 1978 - Picture of Meccano model of Space Shuttle
http://meccano.magazines.free.fr/html/1978/7801/78010021.htm

Read the Meccano Magazine archive at
http://meccano.magazines.free.fr/

(southgate)

SOCIAL SCENE

2011

Jul 9 VK2e Waverley A R S annual auction at Rose Bay club rooms

Jul 16 VK3 Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club Hamfest
Cranbourne Community Hall 10am (secretary@ggrec.org.au)

Jul 16 VK4 Maryborough Electronics and Radio Group "Wide Bay Hamfest"
West Scout Hall, Ariadne St, Maryborough 8:30am.

secretary@merg.org.au

Jul 31 VK2/3 Riverina Field Day 10am at Lavington Scout Group Hall.

Aug 7 VK2 Lismore region - SARCFEST

Aug 28 VK2 Blue Mountains amateur radio club's annual WINTERFEST

Sep 11 VK3 SADARC Comms Day at St Augustine's Hall Shepparton 10am.

Sep 16-18 VK4 NQ Amateur Radio Convention Date Set Townsville

Sep 23-28 R3 Region 3 ARDF Championship Bendigo VK3
http://r3.ardf.org.au/

Sep 30-Oct 2 VK4 Central Highlands Amateur Radio Club AGM at Camp Fairbairn
CONTACT Secretary Gordon, (vk4kal@wia.org.au)

Nov 20 vk5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society Hamfest
Goodwood Community Centre, Rosa St Goodwood at 0930.
Visit www.ahars.com.au for contact details

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15TH IARU REGION 3 CONFERENCE hosted by V.A.R.C. in Ho-Chi-Minh City, Vietnam.

JAN 23-FEB 17 YEAR 2012
World Radio Conference WRC-11 Geneva 23rd January TO 17th February 2012

FEB 26 VK2 CCARC WYONG FIELD DAY

MAY 3-18 VK5 YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

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wia.org.au

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GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 3rd July 2011

The news headlines:

* Spectrum Management responses to DCMS

* South of England news reading

* Malta gets 500kHz

In the past ten days, the Society has responded to the Department of Culture, Media and Sport on a consultation seeking opinion on the release of 500MHz of spectrum by 2020 and an open letter that seeks to review communications for the digital age. Both responses from the Society can be seen at www.rsgb.org/spectrumforum/consultations/index.php.

It was announced recently on GB2RS that the South of England news reading on 3640kHz would have to terminate due to a lack of newsreaders. However, some members have now come forward offering to read for the 0900 LSB schedule. One of the volunteers is Alison, G8ROG, who is the RSGB Regional Manager for London and the Thames Valley. Accordingly, Alison will set up a net on 3640kHz, plus or minus QRM, this Sunday, 3 July, at 0900 local time and invite volunteers to call in. She will hold a second net at 0900 on the following Sunday, 10 July. Volunteers are asked to join one of the nets, when propagation can be checked out and a news reading rota drawn up. Full details of the GB2RS News Service can be found in the Members' Only section of the RSGB website. RSGB members who wish to offer their services are asked to complete the form at the Volunteers tab and send it to the GB2RS News Manager, Gordon Adams, G3LEQ, whose details appear on the document. Hopefully, we may soon be able to announce a re-instatement of this service for 80 metres listeners in the South.

We have heard that Maltese radio amateurs may apply for a temporary permit for 500kHz operation. The permit is operational until the end of 2011 but could be extended if approved by WRC next year. Application forms and the National Frequency Plan many be viewed at www.mca.org.mt.

Advance notice now. West Tyrone Amateur Radio Club is organising a new event this year. The GI HF Conference will take place on Saturday 20 August in the Technology Education Centre, Omagh, BT78 1FA. Registration will be from 11am. Speakers will include Carlos Eavis, G0AKI, from the RSGB, speaking on IOTA and Paul O'Kane, EI5DI, speaking

on DXpeditions and SD Logging. Check out http://wtarc.co.uk/GIHFConference.aspx for more details.

Students at Istanbul Technical University in Turkey are working on a CubeSat amateur radio satellite that will host a linear transponder for SSB and CW amateur radio communications. Dubbed TURKSAT-3USAT, the bird will carry a 50kHz bandwidth 2m to 70cm linear transponder, a beacon and telemetry downlink. Planners hope to launch this new bird into a Sun synchronous orbit of around 680km sometime in early 2012.

The ARRL Headquarters will be closed in observance of Independence Day on Monday 4 July. There will be no W1AW bulletin or code practice transmissions that day. League Headquarters will reopen Tuesday 5 July at 8am Eastern Daylight Time. And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

The Barford Norfolk Radio Rally will be held on 3 July at Barford Village Hall & Green, Barford, Norwich NR9 4AB, 9 miles south west of Norwich, close to A11 and A47. Doors open at 9am and admission is £1.50, with children admitted free. There will be trade stands and a Bring & Buy.

AMSAT-UK will have a presence at the first ever UK Space Conference being organised by the UK Space Agency. It takes place at the University of Warwick on 4 and 5 July. Further details of the event are at http://tinyurl.com/UKSpace2011.

Next Sunday, 10 July the Cornish RAC 48th Mobile Rally will take place at Penair School, Truro, Cornwall, TR1 1TN. Doors open at 10.30am and admission is £2. There will be trade stands and a Bring & Buy. Details from Steve on 01209 844939.

Now for the news of special events

Worcester Radio Amateurs Association will be operating from the Stourport-on-Severn Steam Rally over the weekend of 8 to 10 July. The steam rally itself is an established and popular attraction and always attracts a good crowd. A warm welcome will be extended to all visitors. The website address for the rally is www.stourportvintagesteamrally.co.uk.

Pontefract & District Amateur Radio Society is operating a number of special event stations. Until 8 July, GB0PLF will be on the air for the Pontefract Liquorice Festival. The station is located at Carleton Community Centre, leading up to the festival. On 9 July, GB0PH will be on the air for Pontefract Heritage. The station will be located at Pontefract Castle for a fun day at the Castle, organised by Pontefract Heritage Group. Then on 10 July, GB0PLF will be on the air again, with a new NOV to operate in Pontefract town centre on the actual day of the Liquorice Festival.

And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

Marcelo, PY2FN will be active as PY0FO from Fernando de Noronha, which is IOTA reference SA-003, until 9 July. He will operate CW only on 6 to 160m. Please QSL via his home callsign, either direct, via the bureau or Logbook of the World.

ZR6DG and ZS6HB will be active as C92DG from the Timbavati Game Reserve in Tofo between 14 and 28 July. Their operation will be on the HF bands only. QSL via ZR6DG.

Eric, K9GY will be active from Afghanistan for the next year using the callsign T6MO. His most likely times of operation are given as 0130-0430, 0630-0830 and 1130-1730UTC. QSLs go via his home callsign.

John, F4FUC will operate as J28UC from Djibouti starting in July. He hopes to be there till 2013 and will be using vertical and dipole antennas on 40-10m.

Howard, WB4WXE will be on the Caribbean island of St Lucia until 15 July. He will operate using the call J68HS and asks for QSLs to be sent via his home callsign. Now the contest news

This weekend will be busy on the VHF bands because VHF NFD takes place until 1400UTC today, 3 July. Apart from the various sections for portable stations of differing powers and complexities, as of 2009 there is also the Sweepers section. This was introduced to encourage fixed stations to work the portables and expanded in 2010. As a non-participating fixed station there's no reason why you shouldn't call CQ while the contest is in progress, because there will be a whole band of people looking for QSOs, especially during the quieter hours. The third 2m Backpackers runs for the last three hours of VHF NFD and continues for an hour after it ends.

The 5th Polish Straight Key Contest also takes place today, 3 July from 1800 to 2000UTC. It is straight key only contest and open to all amateurs. The rules, in English, can be found at www.sp5ppa.org.

Monday, 4 July, sees the CW leg of the 80m Club Championships take place from 1900 to 2030UTC. The exchange is signal report and serial number.

The following day, 5 July, it's the 144MHz UK Activity Contest from 1900 to 2130UTC. Using all modes on the 2m band, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

Next weekend, it's the IARU HF World Championship from 1200UTC on the 9th to 1200UTC on the 10th. The UK HQ station GR2HQ will be active and looking for as many QSOs as possible on as many bands and modes as possible with as many people as possible. You don't have to be taking part in the contest to call GR2HQ; the operators will be delighted to work you and also pass you around the bands and modes, to help you work towards one of the free certificates that are available. The exchange is signal report and ITU zone, which for the UK is 27.

And now the solar factual data for the period from the 20th to the 26th of June, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on the 27th of June.

The solar disc had sunspot groups visible every day. Most groups were small and quiet, however, one group produced the only C class solar flare of the period on the 21st. This was a long duration flare and associated with the flare was a coronal mass ejection. Solar flux levels remained around the mid 90s all week and the average was 94 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 26th was 102, that's two units down on last week. X-ray flux levels averaged B1.8 units and varied little day to day. Geomagnetic activity was just at unsettled levels most days. The Ap index on the 23rd was 18 units which was the most disturbed day. This was the result of a coronal hole and the effects from the coronal mass ejection from the 21st. The average was Ap 10 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds increase from 370 to 700 kilometres per second by the 23rd. Speeds then declined to 490 kilometres per second by late on the 26th. Particle densities were low throughout but did increase to 10 particles per cubic centimetre on the 21st and the 22nd. Bz varied between minus 9 and plus 8 nanoTeslas on the most disturbed day and between minus and plus 4 nanoTeslas on the quieter days. Probably HF propagation was slightly below predicted levels due to the continued unsettled geomagnetic conditions. Radio aurora was reported on the 22nd and 23rd, but was confined to high latitudes and it was not the best week that we have had for Sporadic-E.

And now the solar forecast. First, for the benefit of those you read this on the internet at the RSGB website from a Friday onwards, the forecast covers the period from the Sunday the date of broadcast on GB2RS to the following Saturday. This week the quiet side of the Sun is expected to be looking our way. Solar activity should be at very low levels on most days. Solar activity and sunspot numbers over recent weeks have been in decline. How long will this quiet phase last before the next upsurge in activity takes place, who knows, but when it does end the chances are there will be very little warning. Solar flux levels are expected to decline and be in the 80s for most of the week. Geomagnetic activity should be quiet for the next couple of days before a weak coronal hole disturbance arrives around midweek and lasts till the weekend. On its last rotation the most disturbed day saw an Ap index of 14 units. This coronal hole developed back in March and this is its fifth rotation. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 20MHz for the south and 17MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be about 13MHz. Paths this week to South America should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate will be around 27MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be 21MHz. Even though the path will be open earlier the best time for the highest MUFs will be between 1700 and 2100 hours. Sporadic-E is expected to take place on most days with opening up to and including 144MHz are still possible.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your

transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS On Sunday 3 July Coventry Amateur Radio Society commences its weekend event operating GB4BLC at the 30th Signal Regiment open day, Gamecock Barracks, Bramcote, Warwickshire. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777363.

On Monday 4 July Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is having an operating evening on VHF or digimodes. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548478, daytime.

On Monday 4 July South Birmingham Radio Society is on the air and having a debrief on Field Day. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Monday 4 July South Normanton Alfreton & District Amateur Radio Club is having a fish and chip night at the shack. Details from A Lawrence, 2E0BQS, by email to adylawri@btinternet.com.

On Tuesday 5 July Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a junk sale. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 5 July Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club is having a talk on repeaters by Brian, G7AJP. Contact Chris, M0MFP, on 01507 442240.

On Wednesday 6 July Bolsover Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. Details from G4KSY on 01246 827135.

On Wednesday 6 July Lincoln Short-Wave Club is clearing up after Field Day and putting G5FZ on the air. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

On Wednesday 6 July Midland Amateur Radio Society is on the air and running training classes. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 01214 229 787.

On Wednesday 6 July South Birmingham Radio Society is having a lecture in the main hall. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Wednesday 6 July Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air and holding a committee meeting. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday 7 July Hucknall Rolls Royce Amateur Radio Club is having a 10km fox hunt from the club car park at Hucknall. More information from Dave Wilde, G1YAI, on 0844 4355593.

On Thursday 7 July Salop Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. Details on the club website at www.salop-ars.org.uk. On Thursday 7 July South Birmingham Radio Society is having training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Friday 8 July Coventry Amateur Radio Society is participating in Bunkers on the Air at Meriden, Haseley Knob & Wolston. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777363.

On Friday 8 July South Birmingham Radio Society is having a construction evening. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Saturday 9 July Lincoln Short-Wave Club is in the s and also operating GB2CWP for East Kirkby on the Air. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND On Monday 4 July Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is on the air and having a natter night. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 0191 477 0036.

On Monday 4 July Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is participating in the 80m CC CW. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240573.

On Monday 4 July Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the RSGB 80m Club Contest, CW, and having an informal evening. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 4 July Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. Details on the web at www.tcars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 5 July Chester & District Amateur Radio Society launches its L-C meter project. Details from Barbara Green on 07957 870770.

On Tuesday 5 July Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is meeting at the Church of the Good Shepherd at Mytholmroyd. Contact Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341317.

On Wednesday 6 July Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by Andy, G0VRM, on his USA trip. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240573.

On Thursday 7 July Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is holding its summer Pound Shop antenna challenge. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 0787 608 5631.

On Thursday 7 July South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having an antenna clinic with Ron, G3SVW. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 0161 969 3999.

On Thursday 7 July Wakefield & District Radio Society is preparing for the Holy Island DXpedition. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563117.

On Friday 8 July East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is having a bring in something interesting evening. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Saturday 9 July Wakefield & District Radio Society starts its new Advanced course and continues its Foundation course from 13:30. Contact David, G4CLI, on 07748 221855

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND No news items have been received for Northern Ireland this week.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday 5 July Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club evening. Details from Norman, on 07740 946192.

On Thursday 7 July Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is holding a junk sale. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663.

On Friday 8 July Borders Amateur Radio Society is having a visit by RSGB President Dave Wilson, M0OBW. More information from Danny, 2M0CDO, on 01890 882850.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society proposes to run a Foundation course starting on Sunday 24 July. An exam is provisionally planned for 14 August. The cost will be £49.50 including the exam fee, materials and room hire etc. The venue is White Hill Community Centre, HP5 1AG. If you are interested, please contact Terry, G0VFW, by email to terry.g0vfw@ntlworrld.com as soon as possible.

On Sunday 3 July Felixtowe & District Amateur Radio Society is operating GB2FX at Landguard Museum, Felixstowe. More information from Paul, G4YQC, by email to pjw@btinternet.com.

On Sunday 3 July Horndean & District Amateur Radio Club is taking a coach trip to Bath. Contact Stuart, G0FYX, on 023 9247 2846.

On Sunday 3 July Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is running the Barford Rally. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898678.

On Sunday 3 July Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club has its breakfast meeting in Goring. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816684.

On Monday 4 July Braintree & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a DF hunt. For more information contact John, M5AJB, on 01787 460 947.

On Monday 4 July Burnham Beeches Radio Club is having a meeting about the McMicheal Rally. Contact Dave, G4XDU, on 01628 625 720.

On Monday 4 July Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is participating in the RSGB CC CW contest. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898678.

On Monday 4 July Southdown Amateur Radio Society is having its annual barbecue at Hilary's, M1HLG. Details from John, G3DQY, on 01424 424 319.

On Monday 4 July Surrey Radio Contact Club is having a club barbecue. Contact John, G3MCX, on 020 8688 3322.

On Tuesday 5 July Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720815. On Tuesday 5 July

Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is having a quality table top sale with Colin, G0TRM. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Wednesday 6 July Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is having a general meeting & CW practice. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday 6 July Havering & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its quarterly business meeting. More information from John, M0UKD, on 07890 222111.

On Wednesday 6 July Southdown Amateur Radio Society is operating at the Hailsham shack. Details from John, G3DQY, on 01424 424 319.

On Wednesday 6 July Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club has its annual 2m fox hunt. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816684.

On Thursday 7 July Cray Valley Radio Society is having a presentation by Roger Western, G3SXW, on his whirlwind tour of Central America, including operating two big stations in Costa Rica and Nicaragua. Details from Bob, M0MCV, on 020 8265 7735 after 8pm.

On Thursday 7 July Horndean & District Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night and social evening. Contact Stuart, G0FYX, on 023 9247 2846.

On Thursday 7 July Horsham Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on radio researches by David Sumner, G3PVH. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk.

On Thursday 7 July Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a club night at the shack. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564242.

On Thursday 7 July Reading & District Amateur Radio Club is having a wireless workshop evening, looking at what to do if your antenna won't load up. Details from Pete, G8FRC, on 01189 695 697.

On Thursday 7 July Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a pedestrian 2m DF hunt. Details from David, G8UOD, on 01234 742 757.

On Thursday 7 July Verulam Amateur Radio Club is having a social with GB3VH from 7.30pm at the White Horse, Sandridge. Details from Tony, 2EOWAP, on 01727 853087.

On Friday 8 July Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having a construction evening with Mike, M0BLP, making an active probe. Contact Ron, G3KBR, on 01223 501712.

On Friday 8 July Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a radio night and preparing for NFD. Contact Peter, G4AKG, on 01444 239371.

On Friday 8 July Radio Society of Harrow having a presentation on cave radio and electronics by Rob, G8DSU, editor of the Cave Radio and Electronics Group Journal. More information from Linda, G7RJL, on 0208

386 8586.

On Friday 8 July Wimbledon & District Amateur Radio Society is preparing for its summer camp. Contact Andrew Maish, G4ADM, on 020 8335 3434.

On Sunday 10 July Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society is attending the Scout's Donkey Derby. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 020 8502 1645.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST Callington Amateur Radio Society will be holding another Foundation Course and exam starting on Thursday 15th September 2011. The course will run from 7 until 9pm each Thursday for 5 weeks, with the exam during the final session. For further details please contact Chris Harris on 07973 418371 or email g7udx@me.com.

On Tuesday 5 July West Devon Radio Club is having a general natter night and Bring & Buy. Further information from Jules Cuddy, M1AGY, on 01752 291588.

On Wednesday 6 July Cornish Radio Amateur Club is holding a committee meeting. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844939.

On Wednesday 6 July Taunton & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on amateur and professional deep space communications networks by Michael Johnson. Contact William, G3WNI, on 01823 666 234 for more information.

On Wednesday 6 July Trowbridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on antenna tuning units by Peter Chadwick, G3RZP. Details from Ian, G0GRI, on 01225 864 698, evenings and weekends.

On Thursday 7 July Cornish Radio Amateur Club is having a talk on Photoshop by Ian. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844939.

On Thursday 7 July South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is having a debrief on VHF NFD. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695471.

On Thursday 7 July Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a DF contest. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317750.

On Thursday 7 July Yeovil Amateur Radio Club is looking at a 4m antenna with G0VFK. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk.

On Friday 8 July Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

On Saturday 9 July Cornish Radio Amateur Club is setting up for the Cornish Rally from 2 till 4. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844939.

On Sunday 10 July Cornish Radio Amateur Club is holding the Cornish Rally at Penair School. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844939.

NEWS FOR WALES On Monday 4 July Dragon Amateur Radio Club is having an open meeting. More information from Stewart Rolfe, GW0ETF, on 07833 620733.

On Tuesday 5 July Wrexham Amateur Radio Society is having a fox hunt. More information from Patrick, 2W0HUU, on 07947 701 927.

On Thursday 7 July Meirion Amateur Radio Society is having a show and tell night at the Ship Hotel, Dolgellau. Details on the web at www.meirion-ars.co.uk.

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Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our lastet NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2011-07-02
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter, once a week (thursday)
from now on - if any special activities will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further detail please be so kind and watch our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you vy welcome for any
input and we do hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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** MMMonVHF MS prediction update for july **

Shower activity in July is concentrated around the end of the month.
Most remarkable shower this month is Southern Delta-Aquariids, peaking
July 30th. This medium-ZHR shower is characterized by relatively faint
meteors, but its maximum can be quite broad, leading to similar ZHR
from July 28th to 30th. Take also advantage of very good Sporadic
Meteors rates: Sporadics rates are now approaching annual maximum,
which will take place in late summer. Have a look to shower predictions
for July 2011 at our MMM MS Propagationpage: www.MMMonVHF.de/ms.php
SOURCE: Massimo, IV3NDC, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

** IARU V-U-SHF Contest 2011 2nd-3rd july **

As well as in past years, Matej, OK1TEH, did setup a list of stations
participating at IARU V-U-SHF Contest 2011 2nd-3rd july. For details
please do refer the following http://www.darkside.cz/qrv.php
SOURCE: Matej, OK1TEH at OK2KKW webpage

** SPORADIC E saison, inputs to MMMonVHF and Observation 2011 **

In case of an ES opening on 144 MHz please remember to send all your
QSO in a short Log to MMMonVHF - HOW? Please go to the MMMonVHF forum
www.mmmonvhf.de/minibb/index.php?action=vthread&forum=11&topic=80
and read about our "call for reports". The text will be available

in several languages. or use direct the input at:

http://www.mmmonvhf.de/es.php >>> click on "Send your Report"

Remember please that we are going to publish ONLY 144 MHz Logs - if we get input for 6m, 4m or 3m reports we do use it for the headline. As you all know, the most necessary at a SPORADIC E Opening will be to be at the right time at the right place. As well every of us will have some "warning" systems for the time between May to August.

SOURCE: Guy, DL8EBW, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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DXCC: PJ7 ; Square: FK88 ; Start: 2011-06-22 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3407

New DXCC Sint Maarten (since 10-10-2010) qrv in June/July 2011 as PJ7EME from FK88KB. LATEST NEWS from Mike, K6MYC, dated 2011-06-30: LOG is updated on MMMonVHF - Page (tnx Frank, DL8YHR for QSP) I MAY HAVE MISSED ONE OR TWO THIS WILL GET US STARTED. JUEN 30, 2011 WAS A POOR DAY WITH THE SUN AND MOON TOGETHER AT PJ7EME. ONLY TWO EME QSO WERE MADE; ONE IN EARLY MORNING AND ONE AT EH END OF THE DAY. TOMORROW SHOULD BE BETTER.
SOURCE: UKSMG Announce & tnx to Mike, K6MYC, direct to MMMonVHF

DXCC: CU ; Square: HM77 ; Start: 2011-06-29 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3784

A DL Team (DM1AC, DM1CG, DL9MS) will be active holiday style from CU2 (HM77ct) on HF and 6m ES and as well 2m EME/TEP. LATEST NEWS from Gaby, DM1CG, dated 2011-06-30: Rig running with only one TenTec and one 897 . Problems with setup yetsreday and the noise !! Phasedhifter is now tested and also running. We had have BIG NOISE only on H - maybe the SUN and / or Powerline. 70cm !! Monday 19-21UTC 120W / 12ele EME Mï¿½ -- only this day !! 432,145 we 1st
LOG is updated on MMMonVHF - Page
SOURCE: tnx to Dith, DF7KF, and the Team, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: V31 ; Square: EK55 ; Start: 2011-07-01 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3845

Jeremy, W7EME, back at Belize as V31JA from EK55
LATEST NEWS from Jeremy, dated 2011-07-01: Horrible jungle here. Vines and trees everywhere always touching on long Yagi. Very dense canopy. Very difficult to even move antenna. Today at Noon local was

104 degrees F and 100% humidity with raining. I work only a few
stations. I may resume after moving station east a few hundred feet.
Strong Meteor pings from PJ7EME :) Log is updated at:
http://www.w7eme.org/v31ja.html GL Eu contest on 2nd July but please
check for me Eu stations. Today I also run my clock a few seconds
fast to help me filter many stations calling. I apologize if this
cause anyone decode problems. My lovely wife is wanting to go Cuba
very bad. We may go on 3rd or 4th July, I will post if not qrv.
SOURCE: tnx to Jeremy, W7EME, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: UR ; Square: KN57 ; Start: 2011-07-01 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3897

UT0E qrv from KN57XX - 1 july 2011 from 20.00 UTC to 2 july 2011 to
05.00 UTC i shal by working from KN57XX (my fild day position) MS
FSK441, call-UT0E freq-144385 only random. Good reflektion.
QSL via UT1EA. SOURCE: tnx to Vladimir, UT1EA, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: TF ; Square: xxxx ; Start: 2011-08-01 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3907

Holiday 2011 - ICELAND - TF/G4ODA
Ii¿½m pleased to be able to report that Paul, G1GSN, and I are returning
to Iceland this year. We had hoped to be there in June but because of
issues with the ferry (beyond our control) that did not prove possible
so now we will be there in August. As always this is to be a holiday
with radio rather than an expedition so we will not be spending all
of the time on the radio. On previous trips we have taken our tents
leaving a lot of room in the Land Rover for radio. This time however
we will be going in my new camping vehicle (see photo) which will be
used for sleeping/cooking and as the shack so we will take less radios
this time. In addition the roof rack is smaller than on my other Land
Rover which affects the length of aerials and poles that can be
carried. The plan is to be QRV on 50MHz, 144MHZ and (thanks to
Icelandic Authorities kindly issuing to me a 4m permit) 70MHz. Given
the time of year when we will be there and the number of contacts made
on 6m on previous trips the main effort will be on 2 and 4m.
SOURCE: www.g4siv.com/and Bob, G1ZJP direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** KC8QVO qrv 50, 144, 432 MHz from EN39 **

I am just letting everyone know that I will once again be making my
trek to EN39. The trip is from July 2-10. I do not know how much I

will be operating this year. I am toning down my operation a little bit. In past years I have run all 3 bands - 50, 144, 432mHz. However, 6m seems to be the only band that gets any activity so I am confining my operating to only 6m this year. This will ease on set up as well. I will be able to raise the 6m beam much easier alone than all of the antennas. I am not sure if I will even use my rotator this year. I may just revert back to the old "armstrong method" - no rotator, (heavy) bracket, and cable to worry about = faster set up/tear down.
SOURCE: Steve, KC8QVO via VHF Reflector
Read more or subscribe at: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3896

** TI7/K2DBK Operation 10-17 July 2011 **
Greetings, I will be operating from Costa Rica 10-17 July 2011 as TI7/K2DBK. My location will be in the northwest part of the country near the city of Liberia in the Guanacaste region. I will be on vacation with friends so this will be a "holiday-style" operation with operating mostly taking place in the late afternoon local time. I will be operating SSB only 10m-20m and possibly 6m if conditions permit using 100w and a Buddipole. QSL via my home call.
SOURCE: Bill NG3K DX-News

** 6V, SENEGAL, qrv HF and 50 MHz **

Seb, F8IJV, will once again be active as 6V7Q from Le Calao resort in Senegal between October 22nd and November 11th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters, operating mainly on SSB, possibly some Digital and CW too. He plans to take an Acom 1011 amplifier with him this time. Seb will also be active during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th). QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. Log will be uploaded to LoTW. SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1016

** IOTA Operation from EU-048 **

Operators Remi/F0GHK, Michel/F1SRC, Jean-Yves/F4EHM, Mickael/F4FFZ, Gwena/F4FHZ, Chris/F5CBQ and Jean-Franï¿½ois/F6DZD will be active as TM2BI from Belle Ile (DIFM AT015) between July 28th and August 2nd. Activity will be on 80-2 meters with an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st). QSL via F6KPQ. SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1016

** IOTA Activity from NA-039 **

Since the Russian Robinson Club members rescheduled (RRC) NA-070. their DXpedition to St. Matthew Island (see NA-232) to 2012, Yuri, N3QQ, will now activate Adak Island (NA-039) starting July 28th, as KL7RRC, and also participate during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st). If he can find transportation, Yuri will also go to Rat Islands (NA-070) and

operate as KL7RRC/p until August 8th, weather permitting. Activity from both locations will be on 40-6 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via N7RO, U stations via UA9OBA. SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1016

** EVENTSTATION for the "Special Olympics World Summer Games" **

The "Special Olympics World Summer Games" will take place in Athens from Jun 25 until Jul 4. The "Special Olympics" are the games for People with intellectual disabilities. 7500 athlets from 180 countries are expected to come to the Greek capital Athens. SV0XAJ, SV0XAO, SV0XBA, SV0XBJ, SV2DCD, SV2GNC, SV2GWY, SV3DCX and SV7JAR will activate the special event staion SX0A in CW, SSB and digital modes on 160m-4m. QSLs via bureau, direct or eQSL to SV2GWY. Moreover all Greek HAMs may use the special prefix SY2011. More information about this an da special award can be found on their website: http://sx0a.blogspot.com SOURCE: CQ Six - 50 MHz DX News #20110625

** PJ2 qrv again on HF and 50 MHz **

Jan DJ8NK, Dieter DJ9ON and Hans DK9KX will be active as PJ2/homecalls from the island of Curacao (IOTA SA-099, WLOTA 0942, Grid Loc. FK52) between 26th of June and the 7th of July 2011. QRV mainly on 6 metres (50.144 MHz), with some HF operation. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. SOURCE: [NG3K] [DX-ENG] ICPO Bulletin (24 June-01 July 2011)

** TF4X qrv begin of July in HF and 50 MHz **

Thor, TF4M, Otradalur in Arnarfjï¿½rï¿½ur, Iceland (IOTA EU-021, WLOTA 2975, WW Loc. HP85FP), from 6-11 July 2011. QRV on 160-6m CW, SSB and RTTY, including an entry in the IARU HF Championships (9-10 July) using the callsign TF4X. QSL TF/VE2XAA via home call. QSL TF4X via G3SWH. SOURCE: [NG3K] via [DX-ENG] ICPO Bulletin (24 June-01 July 2011)

** Island of Miquelon in the Air **

Victor, VA2WDQ, will be active as FP/VA2WA from 7-11 July 2011 from the island of Miquelon (IOTA NA-032, DIFO FP-002, WLOTA 1417, WW Loc. GN17TC). He will be staying at the the ham-friendly Motel Miquelon. The main goal is participating in the IARU HF Championship (SOAB CW LP) on July 9-10, 2011. Victor will be active mostly on CW and a bit on SSB on WARC bands before and after the contest. Also there are plans to try 160m during night time and 6m during a day if there will be good conditions. The equipment will be Kenwood TS-590S and probably one small transistors PA. Antennas will be verticals. QSL via VA2WDQ, direct or bureau. All logs will be uploaded to LoTW and eQSL once returned home. SOURCE:[DX-ENG] ICPO Bulletin (24 June-01 July 2011)

Members of the "Veteran Club of the Signals Soldiers of the Norwegian
Armed Forces" will activate the historical callsign LJ2T again from
"The Signals Museum of the Norwegian Armed Forces" near Lillehammer
between June 30th and July 3rd. Activity will be on all bands between
160m and 70cm using CW, SSB, FM and the Digital modes. Like last year,
there are plans for activity on 4 meters (70 MHz) from this QTH locator
JP51ED. QSL via LA5EAA. For more info, see: www.qrz.com/db/LJ2T
SOURCE: [OPDX Bulletin] via [DX-ENG] ICPO Bulletin

** India on 50MHz: VU2RBI **

Bharathi VU2RBI is the first station on 50MHz. She has SSB experience
on HF but now she works on CW in order to help as many stations to work
VU as possible. Her slow speed but self confident CW capability is
combined with the SSB experience that can be heard on the recording of
our yesterday QSO. During recent JA and EU openings she had so many
callers that often they were difficult to handle. From today she will
split around 50,090 +- QRM and expects callers to send call signs not
more than twice. She asks not to request schedules because her
intention is to work everybody if possible. Please send QSL card to
QRZ.COM address but do not send IRC because it canï¿½t be traded in
posts in India but green stamps that she would utilize not only for
responding back but developing her station. Now she has a barefoot
IC706 and a 5 element Dunax DK7ZB antenna that she plans to supplement
with a PA and erect to a new and higher mast.
SOURCE: Tamas, HA5PT via UKSMG Announce

** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 2359 UTC ...

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like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USER who did send us info and News **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/kontact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

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616. SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 03 JULY 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-02 19:00:12 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <20110702190005.AF76533C4A@panix2.panix.com>
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SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 03 JULY 2011

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. PLEASE NOTE: for audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail. Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 and 3,695 MHz SSB.

GREAT YL DXer SILENT KEY

It has been learnt that one of the world's greatest YL DXers, Dianna Killeen, KB6NAN, became a Silent Key on 6th April 2011. She had been credited with many DXCC honors, took part in several DXpeditions to rare locations and acted as QSL manager for several TOP DXers.

She will be sadly missed by DXers and friends, worldwide.

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In the news today:

AMATEUR RADIO EXAMINATION PROCESS AGREED

URGENT NOTICE TO ALL AMATEUR LICENSEES

SARL MEMBERSHIP AND THE FORUM

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting news items.

AMATEUR RADIO EXAMINATION PROCESS AGREED

The SARL and ICASA have revisited the Radio Examination Moderation Process. After each examination an SARL appointed moderator verifies the examination results and checks that all the marks are correctly computed and verifies that all questions are correctly marked. In a multiple choice examination the answer is either right or wrong. The examiner has no discretion. There are however at times marginal cases where the candidate scores a very high mark in one section but just misses to score the required minimum of 50% in the other section. It is in cases like this that the moderator reviews the answer papers and

makes a recommendation to ICASA. In the last examination there were a few marginal cases which were relooked at and recommendations were made to ICASA which resulted in a few candidates now having passed. These candidates were informed of the process and the outcome.

The SARL is often asked to supply the percentage marks and not just the symbol. The SARL has discussed this with the authority but ICASA has decided to keep to the current arrangement of only supplying a candidate the symbols and not percentage marks.

URGENT NOTICE TO ALL AMATEUR LICENSEES

For the past few weeks we have repeated the following news item several times. The SARL is still receiving queries from radio amateurs about their licenses. Please share the following information with your radio amateur friends or point them to www.sarl.org.za.

ICASA has cancelled over 34 000 radio licenses that have remained unpaid for the past 365 days. This includes all amateur radio licenses that are unpaid. Check that you have paid your license and if you do not have a valid printed license or an official receipt call ICASA at 011 566 3313 or 011 566 3319 between 08:30 - 16:00 Monday - Friday. PLEASE HAVE YOUR LICENSE NUMBER HANDY. If your amateur license was cancelled call now and ICASA will re-instate it if you can prove payment. If you have not paid, do so now using the information and account number on your last license.

SARL MEMBERSHIP AND THE FORUM

Following a AGM resolution non members will no longer have access to the forum. This was implemented on 1 July. The full process will only be completed during July.

The SARL last month mailed membership invoices and members have responded well. The membership payment was due on 1 July. Members who have not paid will receive a message when they log onto the website. The data base that facilitates this is updated on a weekly basis. If you have paid and still get the message that your membership is still outstanding, wait 10 days and if it still appears when you log on, call the office at 011 675 2393 during office hours.

There may be several reasons why your payment was not credited to your account, often because on the bank transfer the name and/or callsign was not entered. The SARL receives many electronic transfers that cannot be identified. Please make sure that you give your name and or callsign on the electronic transfer document.

While the SARL encourages members to renew as soon as possible, the final cut off date is 31 August. On 1 September, if your membership is still unpaid, access to the members only pages of the web is blocked and also the access to the forum. Please renew promptly. We thank members who have already done so. We appreciate your support of the SARL and Amateur Radio.

A YEAR OF THE MOON IN 2½ MINUTES

And a new on-line time lapse video of the Moon produced by the Goddard Space Flight Centre's Scientific Visualization Studio compresses one month into 12 seconds and one year into 2,5 minutes. Constructed, using data from the Lunar Reconnaissance Orbiter spacecraft, the video shows how the Moon wobbles in its orbit, the way that it changes in libration and axis tilt and its numerous phases. You will find the video at YouTube by taking the shortcut of tinyurl.com/3ffmhbe.

COMPETITION NEWS

DX ON 1,8 MHz?

>From the desk of the SARL Awards Manager:

Most South Africans would not regard 1,8 MHz as a DX band. The majority of operators who are active on the band may never have heard a DX station there.

Raoul Coetzee, ZS1REC, has just proved them wrong. He has received a DXCC certificate for proving that he has contacted more than 100 countries on the band! Raoul became only the fifth South African and the first ZS1 to achieve the milestone.

Raoul operates from a small city lot, just a quarter wavelength in diameter. He uses wire antennas and modest power. However, a shrewd understanding of propagation and a lot of perseverance make up for the modest station. Raoul works in the electronics industry and has been active since the 1980s. He operates very little on other bands, and sticks mostly to Code.

ZS4 SPRINT RESULTS

The Sasolburg Radio Club is happy to report the results for the ZS4 Sprint. 15 logs and 1 check log were received. Top honors go to ZS4BFN with 114 points. Second is Marius Preston, ZS4MP, with 97 points. Third is Jaco le Roux, ZS3JLR, with 52 points. Congratulations to you.

HF PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is expected to be at very low to low levels. Both Sunspots 1 242 and 1 243 are growing in the northern hemisphere and a 3rd sunspot appears to be forming in between them. There may be a chance for a C-Class flare.

For the people doing their own frequency predictions the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be about 25.

With the winter here 20 m will provide the best opportunities for DX followed by 30 m. There will be little chance of 15 m openings.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

16 July - 3rd leg of SARL QRP Competition. 27 July - 4th leg of SARL Club Competition. 30 July - RTA in Durban. 07 Aug. - SARL HF Phone Competition. 09 Aug. - SARL YL Sprint. 21 Aug. - 3rd leg of SARL Digital Competition. 28 Aug. - SARL HF CW Competition.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 750 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 18:30 CAT on 3 230 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by George, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening, 73.
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========== Message Ends ========== To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp.

617. NZART Headquarters Infoline Issue 233

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-03 13:10:06 UTC
From: Alan Wallace <alan@wallace.net.nz>
Message-ID: <014201cc394c$70c099f0$5241cdd0$@wallace.net.nz>
Source record: 4257
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3rd July 2011
NZART Website: <http://www.nzart.org.nz> www.nzart.org.nz

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Jamie Pye ZL2NN - SK

It is with much sadness we advise of the death of Jamie Pye, ZL2NN, on Saturday 2nd July after a short illness. We all experience the shock of his passing together with the Pye family. There will be more on Jamie's great contribution to our hobby and our Association in later issues.

Jamie's funeral will be held at the Kingswood Funeral Home, (Cnr King and Cairo Streets

Upper Hutt) on Wednesday 6th July at 2pm.

In lieu of flowers the family have asked for donations to the New Zealand Spinal Trust, Private bag 4708, Christchurch, New Zealand Charities Commission #CC43195

HQ Info-line Editor

Debby Says.

HQ Info-line has had to urgently find a new temporary editor. Jamie would be the first to make sure 'the show must go on', therefore I have undertaken the role of editor of HQ Info-line in the interim, until a more suitable replacement can be found.

For those who regularly contribute articles to HQ Info-line, I would appreciate if you could forward them to me nzart.hq@clear.net.nz, by Friday morning, prior to publication on the assigned fortnightly dates. The dates currently on the web will not change.

I need to be able to collate all articles and forward to Alan Wallace ZL1AMW, who has stepped in to ensure the distribution of this publication is

maintained. Alan is also looking after the NZART web site, so if you have any queries or concerns in this regard, please contact Alan on webmaster@nzart.org.nz

SMART

Wednesday 22nd June saw the release by Radio Spectrum Management of the E X & Y call signs. What this means is that these call signs can now be allocated to an individual or Club, on application to me, or any other approved Radio Examiner. A list of these people can be found on either the NZART or RSM web sites.

Interestingly, while much has been publicised about the release date of these call signs, very few appear to have been applied for.

There is no change to the One letter call signs. They can still only be allocated for a 12 month period, unless evidence of continued use with contesting or field days can be supplied prior to the expiry date, then reallocation of the call can be made. Otherwise there is a 6 month stand down for the holder and they may not reapply for the same call during this time.

>From the desk at HQ.talk soon Debby ZL2DL

Ham radio on the International Space Station - Robert Duncan:

A subject I follow closely is NASA's space shuttle programme and ham radio on the international space station ARISS. A story I felt would be of some interest to radio hams in Australia and NZ.
July 8th is the scheduled final space shuttle launch and NASA engineers have(for the first time) installed a camera on the external fuel tank which will transmit live pictures of its destructive burn up on re-entry.
The live FM transmitted signal will be on 2272.5mhz at 10 watts and will burn up over the Pacifc Ocean over the East Coast of New Zealand. Entry interface (EI) will begin at 400.000ft over Southern Australia and can be seen with the naked eye.
So those in amateur television in the south pacific area may see some great video.
More on this story can be found on this link.

73 de M0ODV Robert Duncan

http://www.nasaspaceflight.com/2011/06/sts-135-atlantis-tcdt-external-tank-death-camera-ready/

Housekeeping

1. Break-In-Closing Date Reminder: Copy for the JULY/AUGUST issue of Break-In-closes on 10-JULY-2011
2. Copy for Break-In: Copy is welcome in most electronic formats but word.doc files are preferred. Photos and other graphics should be send as separate discrete files (*.jpg preferred); not as embedded pix in the body of the text. Please ensure that suitable descriptive captions/legends are included with your copy.

All received copy will be acknowledged to confirm receipt.
Thank you for your cooperation.
John Walker ZL3IB Editor.
3. Break-In: Early receipt of copy is much appreciated
4. Break-In-AREC Column: The close-of-copy date is the 03-JULY-2011 for articles for publication in the AREC COLUMN OF BREAK-IN. Photos, if available, to be on a separate floppy or CD (with captions), posted DIRECTLY TO US. Use Call Book address. All other material can go to e-mail: <mailto:zl3qr@nzart.org.nz> zl3qr@nzart.org.nz or <mailto:zl3ov@nzart.org.nz> zl3ov@nzart.org.nz
5. <http://www.nzart.org.nz/news/2010-news/> The ARRL and WIA Weekly News
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Mail enquiries to: Market Day, Hamilton Amateur Radio Club,

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Web: <http://zl1ux.tripod.com/market_day.html> zl1ux.tripod.com/market_day.html

618. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 3rd July 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-03 20:00:10 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20110703200004.9401333C69@panix2.panix.com>
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Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 3rd July 2011

CQ CQ CQ All Radio Amateurs & SWL's

A reminder to all club secretaries and public relations officers to send news and or items of relevant interest to the newsteam/ at / irts/ dot/ ie.

IRTS VHF/UHF Field Day

The IRTS VHF/UHF field day take place Saturday 2nd July and Sunday 3rd July 2011. The deadline for submission of log to contest manager is August 3rd 2011.

IRTS Committee Meeting

The next committee meeting will take place on Saturday 10th September in Portlaoise.

The North Cork Radio Club

The North Cork Radio Group is pleased to announce their second annual rally and electronics fair at the Blarney Golf Resort, Tower, Co Cork. on Sunday September the 11th 2011.

The doors open to the public at 11.30 and the rally will run throughout the afternoon. The usual traders will be on hand with some very tasty bargains, South East Communications, Long Communications and JBT Trading.

The Hotel are also offering room deals for the rally a Room Only from 59 and Double Room inc B&B: 79 Please Contact the hotel directly for room bookings on Tel:+353 21 4384477.www.blarneygolfresort.com

Small traders are very welcome but it essential that they contact the events organiser Liam EI7GTB, Tel: 085-7039042 Email:ei7gtb/ at/gmail/dot/com as soon as possible.

further details can be found via the group's website, www.ei1nc.com.com

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Introduction to Amateur Radio

The Mayo Radio Experimenters Network are holding a series of practical hands on open days throughout the summer months. The events will start at 13.00 approx (weather permitting) and will take place on the following dates:

Sunday July 10th

Sunday August 14th

Sunday September 11th

Anyone with an interest in radio related matters, who would like to have the opportunity to participate or observe the operation of an amateur radio station, or meet club members, will receive a warm welcome. Whatever you're level of interest, the club will be pleased to help in taking your interest further, be it a complete novice, shortwave listener or formal assistance in progressing to a full amateur radio licence.

The location for all events will be the car park at the Halfway House on the Castlebar to Westport Road. If you would like further details please contact: Padraic Baynes EI9JA on 0876957154 (email pbaynes1/at/eircom/dot/net) , email David Hatfield EI3ECB on ei3ecb/at/gmail/dot/com or text or phone the club mobile phone number 086 20 89 777

Amateur Radio at the Tall Ships

Amateur Radio will be in use in Dunmore East at the tall ships on Sunday the third of July. If you think you will be in the area, AREN member or not, bring your handheld and give EI0NC a call on Southern Ireland Repeater Network. We will be acting as extra eyes and ears on the day for the other services, so all Amateur Radio operators are encouraged to participate. For more information contact John EI7IG at +353 86 8167310

DX News

Steve W6EOD is QRV as T6SH in Helmund Province, Afghanistan until November next. He is operating on 20 and 40m CW with a KX1 transceiver and vertical. QSL manager is K1BV.

Andy P29CS is at present active as YJ8A on the island of Efate in the DXCC entity of Vanuatu. This one counts as OC-035 for the Islands on the Air Award programme. He is there until 17 July and QSLs go via M0URX.

Valery YL2SW is back in Nigeria as 5N6/YL2SW. Power is somewhat unstable at his QTH He plans to be there till 15 July and QSLs go via the home call.

Victor VA2WDQ is travelling to the islands of St Pierre and Miquelon from 7 - 11 July and will take part in the IARU HF Championship which takes place on 9 - 10 July. He will use the callsign FP/VA2WDQ. His logs will be uploaded to Logbook of the World.

Dmitrij RW6AML will be on Waya Island , Fiji from 6-17 July. He will be active as 3D2ML on both CW and SSB. QSLs go to his home call.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

619. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1017

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-03 21:48:38 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <460854.83139.qm@smtp107.sbc.mail.gq1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 4259
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* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

5B, CYPRUS. Zoli, HA5PP, will once again be active as 5B/HA5PP during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via HA5PP. There may be some 6m activity outside of the contest.

7Q, MALAWI (Update to OPDX.1014/Reminder). Malcolm, GM3TAL, has been issued the callsign 7Q7MH and is currently operating from the Malawi Scout Site at Makwawa. Activity will be on 20/17/15/10m and, possibly 6m. Modes will be CW and SSB. He is also planning to monitor the Scout Net frequencies. QSL via G0IAS DIRECT ONLY, with sufficient funds for a return. The cards are already printed so NOBODY will have to wait for a card which will be sent as soon as Allan, G0IAS, has the logs from Malcolm. For more details about the Scottish Scouting DXpedition to Malawi, see: http://www.7q7mh.org

8N, JAPAN. Icko, JA1BPA, reports that 7 JARL HQ stations in various regions of Japan will be on the air during the 2011 IARU HF Championship (July 9-10th). Each station may be heard on other bands than specified below outside the contest during the week of July 3rd. All QSOs will be QSLed automatically via the Bureau. Here are the details of the 7 JARL HQ contest stations:

Callsign	Band[s] (during the Contest)	Location
8N1HQ	15 meters CW	Kimitsu City, Chiba
8N1HQ	160 meters CW, 10 meters CW	Minato Ku, Tokyo
8N2HQ	80 meters CW	Mihama Town, Chita Gu, Aichi
8N3HQ	40 meters CW, 10 meters SSB	Kobe City, Hyogo
8N3HQ	20 meters CW	Miki City, Hyogo
8N4HQ	80 meters SSB, 40 meters SSB,	Okayama City, Okayama
	15 meters SSB	
8N8HQ	20 meters SSB	Iwamizawa City, Hokkaido

8Q, MALDIVES. Cesare, I0WDX, will be active as 8Q7CC from Furanafushi Island (AS-013), North Male Atoll, Maldives, between November 2-12th. He informs OPDX that he will be active on 20-6 meters, including the WARC bands, using an Icom IC-7000 into a Cushcraft R6000 vertical antenna. For 40 meters he will try to use an inverted V if he has enough space on his water bungalow. He mentions, "Do not know yet if I will be active on CW and RTTY, however, I'll try, but would not incur the wrath of my girlfriend because it's vacation days, hi hi hi. However there is still a long time and I will try to arrange." QSL via his home callsign. Lastly, Cesare states (on Sunday, July 3rd), "This morning I received an E-mail from Mr. Maussouma (from the Ministry of Telecommunications of Male) in which informed me that the call assigned to me is 8Q7CC."

C2, NAURU. Pekka, OH2YY, hopes to be active using the requested callsign C21YY between July 11-20th. Activity will be SSB only using a 2-element tribander beam and dipole antennas for 40/17/12m. QSL via his home callsign.

DXNL EDITOR RETIRES. Helmut Schlaffer, DL7MAE, editor of the German "DX Newsletter" announced this past week that he is retiring after 4 and a half years. The OPDX would like to wish Helmut the best and thank him for his hard work over the past years in providing the DX community with DX information. His successor will be Alexander Derichs, DG8KAD.

E4, PALESTINE (Update/Callsign). Peri, HB9IQB, who has been granted a license by the Ministry of Telecommunications & Technology in Ramallah,

now plans to be active as E44PM instead of the previously announced callsign E4/HB9IQB. Activity is to take place around the second and third week of December 2011. For more details, see OPDX.1013 or visit the following Web page for more details and updates at: http://www.hb9iqb.ch/palestine.html

FY, FRENCH GUIANA. Jean-Pascal, F5TND, is active as FY5LH from French Guiana until July 29th, 2012. He has had the FY5LH license since 2008. Activity has been on 40-10 meters using SSB, RTTY and PSK. This past week he was on 15 meters RTTY. QSL via F5KDR.

IARU CONTEST AIDS (Zones and Maps). Darek, SP6NVK, invites all of the participants of the IARU Contest to use his helpful service which includes all the information about:
"ITU Zones and Maps" -- http://www.itu.hamatlas.eu
"ITU Zones Service" -- http://www.hamatlas.eu

IOTA NEWS.....
EU-012. Members of the "Worked All Britain Awards Group" will be active as GS4WAB and GS7WAB from Fair Isle between August 16-22nd. The group intends to be operational from Fair Isle's rare WAB squares HZ16, HZ17, HZ26, HZ27. Fair Isle is the only piece of land within the very rare HZ 100 km Ordnance Survey Grid Square. GS4WAB will be established at the South Lighthouse on the island, while GS7WAB will be used for portable activations on other parts of the island including the North Lighthouse. QSL via G4IAR, by the Bureau or direct. If direct, please enclose self-addressed envelope (SAE) and 2 USDs. UK stations send self addressed envelope (SAE) and 2x first class stamps please. For more details about the WAB, see: http://www.worked-all-britain.co.uk

EU-050. Lucio, IK8EJN and possibly other operators from ARI Termoli will be active as IL7A from the Tremiti Islands during July and August. QSL via IK8EJN.

EU-119. Operators Valery/RW3WW, Andrei/RA3WJ, Andrey/RD3WC, Alexey/RW3QNZ and Igor/RG3K will be active as RC3W/1 from Morzhovets Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest weekend (July 30-31st). Morzhovets Island lies only a few km above the Arctic Circle. QSL via RW3WWW.

EU-125. Operators Martin/DC8MH and Michael/DL4ABO will be active as 5P7T and 5P7N, respectively, from Fano Island (WFF OZFF-004) between September 9-11th. Fano is a Danish island in the North Sea off the coast of southwestern Denmark, and is the northern most of the Danish Wadden Sea Islands. The island is 16 km long and 5 km wide and it is located just off the coast from the city of Esbjerg to which it is connected by ferry. Its population is about 3,200 people. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW and SSB. They will have two stations: Icom IC-756PROII and Kenwood TS-570DG. Antennas

are: Kite antenna with CG-3000 Tuner and monoband GP for
40/30/20/17m. QSL via their home callsigns.

EU-062. (Update) Operators Mek/SP7VC and Waldi/SP7IDX will be active
as LA/SP7VC and LA/SP7IDX, respectively, from Vega Island
between July 23rd and August 2nd. Activity will be holiday
style (they plan to do some fishing). They plan to have 2
stations on the air: One for the HF bands and the other for
the 50 MHz (Grid Square JP65BQ). Operations will be 80-6 meters
using SSB and RTTY. They will also be in the RSG IOTA Contest.
Equipment will consist of: IC-7000, TS-450, HEX beam, R-7
vertical, 6 element yagi for 6m, 500w amp for HF and 6m. QSL
via their home callsigns, by the Bureau, direct and also LoTW.
Visit Mek's Web page at: http://www.sp7vc.pl

NA-085. Members of the Kennehoochee Amateur Radio Club (W4BTI) will
activate special event station K4L on an IOTA/Lighthouse
DXpedition from St. George Island (ARLHS USA-1057, USA 140,
USI FL075S, Grid EL791n) between October 5-9th. Visit the
club's Web page at: http://www.w4bti.org/index.html

NA-091. Rob, VE7RSV, is currently active as VE7RSV/P from Broughton
Island (CISA BC-026) located in the Broughton Archipeligo
just east of Port McNeil towards the Mainland. He states,
"I am currently working there on a 8 day shift rotation with
6 days off. Using a FT-857 with a G5RV antenna about 35 feet
high and will be on most days and weekends when time permits.
I prefer to QSL direct and will respond to any requests with
no return postage required. I am good in the RAC Bureau and
will respond to eQSL requests if anyone needs, but I am not
set up on eQSL for my IOTA operation."

NA-145. Joe, K5KUA, will be active as K5KUA/5 from Galveston Island
(USI TX001S, Galveston County, Texas) between July 29th and
August 1st. He will participate in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July
30-31st) as a Single-Op entry. Activity will be on all HF
bands, propagation permitting. QSL via his home callsign,
by the Bureau or direct.

KH4, MIDWAY ISLAND. Joe, KH4/W5FJG, states this past week, "I wanted to
give you all an update on the Midway Island operation. First, I am sorry
I haven't been on the air much the past two weekends. Work has taken up
much of my free time. Things should change next weekend. A new rig is on
its way! A Yaesu FT-1000 Mark V was just purchased and should arrive on
the Island in a few weeks time. We are in the process of obtaining an RF
Amp in the 1KW range. There is a possibility we will hold a special event
on July 4th between Midway Island and the USS Midway on either 15 and or
20 meters. Will provide more details on this as we work them out with the
USS Midway Museum station. The R-5 Vertical has been taken down. We are in
the process of trouble shooting the antenna. We continue to have high SWR
on 20, 17 and part of the 15 meter bands. As of now we continue to work
using the home brew 20m dipole. I wish to thank all of you who have donated

or offered to donate equipment to support us on Midway. Once we get the Mark V and an amp, we should have all the equipment we need to begin to work some pile ups. We can't wait. See you all on the bands soon.....
73 de KH4/W5FJG"

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (July 4-10th)....
Jul 04 AN SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS
Jul 05 AN --------------------
Jul 06 AN BN - Below Normal
Jul 07 AN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Jul 08 HN LN - Low Normal
Jul 09 HN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Jul 10 HN-AN DIS - Disturbed
VDIS - Very Disturbed

GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

PLEASE NOTE (Update): "The ARRL Letter" reports this past week --
"In April 2011, the Space Weather Prediction Center (SWPC) informed the public that as of September 6, 2011, it would no longer broadcast its geophysical alert message on WWV and WWVH. The ARRL has now learned that the SWPC has changed its mind and will keep broadcasting these messages that inform listeners of the solar flux, the mid-latitude A and K indices and space weather storms, both current and predicted. Due to listener feedback, the SWPC is considering updating the broadcast; in addition to providing the current daily solar flux at 2800 MHz, the SWPC is evaluating adding more frequent observations at 2695 MHz. According to the SWPC website, other improvements to the message content will also be evaluated."

LX, LUXEMBOURG. Members of the Luxembourg Amateur Radio Society (LX0RL) will once again active the R.L. HQ station, LX0HQ, in Eisenborn during the IARU World HF Championship between July 9-10th. There will also be two other LX0HQ stations on the air from two different locations during the contest:
LX7I - Eschdorf (Luxembourg DX and Contest Club LX9DX)
LX1TI - Bascharage
Photos of the LX0HQ stations will be available after the contest on their Web sites <www.rlx.lu> and <www.lx2a.com>. A live webcam will be available during the contest at the LX7I QTH on <www.lx2a.com>. This year 22 operators will be active from 9 Stations (6 at LX7I, 2 at LX0RL and 15m SSB at LX1TI) at 3 QTHs. Operators mentioned are Ron/DL3BPC, Wilko/PA3BWK, Holger/DL5KUT, Andy/DC3RJ, Mich/LX1KQ, Marc/LX1DUC, Andre/LX1AM, Carlo/LX1TI, Philippe/LX2A, Norbert/DJ7JC, Kai/DL3HAH, Frank/DL8LR, Henning/DK9LB, Marco/DJ4MH, Andy/DK5ON, Mike/DF3VM, Chris/DL7CS, Will/DF4PD, Gerd/DF9TS, Detlef/DK3QZ, Matthias/DJ8OG and Hubert/DJ8VH. The

Logbook will be uploaded to LoTW and you can request a Bureau QSL via <lx0hq@rlx.lu> (no need to send a card via Bureau!). QSL via LX2A (New QSL Manager coordinator since 01.07.2009).

PJ4, BONAIRE. Once again the Provins ARC F6KOP team will activate another location, and this time it will be Bonaire (SA-006, WLOTA L1279) as PJ4C. Activity is schedule for January 2012 with 24 operators and six stations on 160-10 meters. More details are expected to be forthcoming. This is the team that activated TJ9PF from Cameroon this year.

PT155, BRAZIL (Special Event). Look for special event station PT155FD to be active between now and July 30th. Activity is to commemorate the 155th anniversary of the first Official Fire Department in Brazil (Rio de Janeiro State). Operation will be SSB on 10/15/20/40 meters. QSL Manager is PS7AB (by the Bureau, direct, or send an E-mail to ps7ab@yahoo.com
and he will send your QSL via the Bureau. For more information, visit: http://www.ps7ab.com.br/pt155fd.htm

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated July 3rd)

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4L0CR via DL8KAC HB0/F4FVI via F4FVI PJ2/DJ9ON via DJ9ON
4O/SQ9CNN via SQ9CNN HB0/PA5MW via PA5MW PJ76 via W6JKV
5C12M via EA7FTR IR3WFF/9 via IW3ILM RI1FJ via UA2FM
9M/JE1SCJ via JE1SCJ J48YA via HA1YA SN1JK via SQ5OVL
9Q6CC via CX2CC K1HP via JE2EHP SP/ES2TT via ES2TT
CU2/OH2KW via OH2KW K2L via KG4RUL SV5/DJ5MN via DJ5MN
EA6/DL5DF via DL5DF LY53SOP via LY5W SV5/G0TSM via G0TSM
ED2SMR via EA2CCG LY500PT via LY1CG TA4/G4IJD via
TA4/G4IJD
EE3URR via EA3URR LZ85R via LZ1BJ TF/DL3GCS via DL3GCS
EG1ETG via EC1AEU M0RSE via G3SWH TK/F1FIH via F1FIH
EH3EPC via EB3JT OH0/OH2LZC via OH2LZC TK/F4BXL via F4BXL
EK6LP via RN4LP OH8X via OH2UA TM90RCNF via F8KKH
EX9T via EX8MLE OJ0/SA0BJF via SA0BJF TM98TF via F6KUF
FS/K9EL via K9EL OJ0/SA5BDS via SA5BDS YJ8A via M0URX
GB50RSARS via G0SWY OJ0/SA5BJM via SA5BJM YP1WFF via YO3JW
HB0/DJ2IA via DJ2IA PJ2/DJ8NK via DJ8NK

NOT THE QSL MANAGER. John, W2GB, states, "PLEASE NOTE - I am NOT the manager for HK3Q. The QSL Manager for HK3Q is W2GR.

TM26UFT QSL STATUS. Maurice, F5NQL, reports that all the direct QSL cards received by F6ICG for the latest TM26UFT activity have been answered and mailed.

WRTC 2010 PLAQUE. Jonathan, W1CU, reports that he just received by mail this past week from Russia a beautiful 5" x 7" plaque for working all of the WRTC stations in the 2010 IARU Championship Contest.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 4U5ITU, 5R8FU, 6V7W, 8R1K, 8R1RPN, 9N7DX, DR775TMG, ED8OR, FM5CD, FO0CI, HI3TEJ, HK3O, OL5Q, PA7CG, PR1T, V31ME, V31XX, V44KAI and ZD7XF

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3B8CF, 3D2A, 3D2XD, 4A4A, 4JA3USA, 6W2SC, A92IO, CP6UA, ER4DX, ER0WW, HR9/WQ7R, J5UAP, J6/VE3CZF, KF4VTT/VP9, LA5XGA, ON5PO, PJ4/K4IQJ, PJ6D, PY5IP, S51MA, T2XG, T31A, T77EB, TF2JB, TJ9PF, TL0A, UA2FL, UA0ZC, UN7PBY, UT1FG/mm, VE2IM, VP2ETN, VP8ORK, VP9HE, VR10XMT, VR2XMT, VU2PHD, YL2GB, YO4RYU/mm, Z23MS and ZB2FK

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 9A1P, 9U0A, AN1A, CT8T, DH3FEN, DL1QQ, DL2DBT, DL9GWD, DR5N, EA3EIQ, EH1PAZ, ES5TV, F5POJ, FM5CD, HA8KVK, HA8WP, HB0/T94DX, HB9BIN, HD5J, HI3/N3SY, HK3Q, I1HLP, IS0LLJ, IW0GTA, IZ0FYL, IZ7EQV, JR5VHU, LZ9W, OM7AG, ON4UN, PQ2Q, PX2A, SP2EFU, SP3MGM, SP5EOT, SP6IWG, SP7EXQ, SP8HDP, SP8LBK, SP9KRT, T94BY, TO1T, UT2FA/p, V25O and V51AS

ST0, SOUTHERN SUDAN (Update). Paul, N6PSE, sent out the following on July 2nd (Press Release #4): "DXpedition to Southern Sudan -- In just a few short days, the people of Southern Sudan will declare their independence from Sudan and will become the new Republic of Southern Sudan.
Vice President of South Sudan, Dr. Riek Machar Teny has announced that admission as a member state of the United Nations will take place on July 14th, 2011.
The DX Friends and the Intrepid-DX Group continue to monitor the UN General Assembly and Security Council votes and are moving forward with our plans for a large multi-national DXpedition to take place soon after the UN admission occurs.
Equipment has been procured and is being staged for rapid delivery to Juba, the new capitol of Southern Sudan. Team members have applied for their visas and we are awaiting them now.
We have held several successful meetings with representatives of the Government of Southern Sudan. We have been issued an amateur radio license for the purpose of this DXpedition. The Government of South Sudan is very supportive of our plans to visit Juba and to help them celebrate the birth of their new country.
We plan to soon be in the new capital of Juba and to be ready to start our DXpedition after admission by the UN. We will have 18 operators operating 24X7 on seven active stations.
At this time, we are seeking Foundation, Club and Individual Sponsors to help us defray the costs of carrying out this very important DXpedition.
Our official website is http://www.dxfriends.com/SouthernSudan2011/
Thank you, The Intrepid-DX Group and The DX Friends."
http://www.dxfriends.com/
http://www.intrepid-dx.com/

ADDED NOTES: As you can see, the U.S. is not the only nation to celebrate their independence (July 4th) this week, but the Southern Sudan will also celebrate theirs on July 9th. After the celebration, the "News Sudan Vision" reports that the United Nations Security Council will first vote to endorse the Republic of Southern Sudan to become a member of the U.N. on July 13th. The United Nations Security Council will then bring it

before the General Assembly on July 14th. The Southern Sudan is then expected to be the 193rd member/nation of the U.N.. Word has it that once this happens, the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) will issue an international dialing code within 48 hours of their membership into the U.N., and will also provide an ITU prefix block. Stay tuned!

SV9, CRETE. Ron, WB2GAI, will once again be active as SV9/WB2GAI/P between August 29th and September 30th. This will be his fourth DXpedition to Chania, Crete (EU-015). Activity, as always, will be on CW and on 80-10 meters. Ron still has the logs for his 2001, 2005 and 2009 operations. DX stations, if you need a QSL, respond via the Bureau. USA stations, QSL direct.

T6, AFGHANISTAN (Press Release). Paul, N6PSE, sent out the following on June 29th: "Many in the amateur radio community have asked us about our reaction to the attack and bombings at the Kabul Intercontinental Hotel: The Intrepid-DX Group is saddened to learn of the attack and bombings at the Kabul Intercontinental Hotel. This hotel was to be the venue for the now cancelled DXpedition that was planned for May 4th to May 16th, 2011.
The hotel General Manager, Mr. Yousuf Hakimi and his staff were very supportive and welcomed our plans to do a DXpedition from their hotel. The hotel's height on a prominent hilltop made for a spectacular radio location. In early April, we shipped our DXpedition equipment to the hotel. Since we cancelled the DXpedition, Mr. Hakimi and his staff were cooperative in helping us recover the bulk of our equipment.
We cancelled our plans to conduct the DXpedition on the morning following Osama Bin Laden's death. We were to fly to Kabul that very morning. It is just this type of attack that we feared in reprisal for Bin Laden's death. We had hoped that things might stabilize in Kabul and that someday we could resume our plans for a DXpedition, however attacks such as this make those plans unsound and less likely.
We will continue to focus on activating the soon to be new country of The Republic of Southern Sudan.
Thank you, Paul Ewing-N6PSE -- The Intrepid-DX Group"

TI7, COSTA RICA. David, K2DBK, will be active as TI7/K2DBK from Costa Rica between July 10-17th. He states that he will be in the northwest part of the country near the city of Liberia in the Guanacaste region. This is a vacation with friends, so activity will be holiday style with most of his operation to take place in the late afternoon local time. Activity will be SSB only on 20-10 meters and possibly 6 meters, if conditions permit, using 100 watts and a Buddipole system. QSL via his home callsign. For more details and updates, watch David's following links: http://k2dbk.blogspot.com http://k2dbk.com twitter: @k2dbk

TM98, FRANCE (Special Event). Look for special event station TM98TF to be active between now and July 14th. Activity takes place during the start and first stage of the 98th cycling race "The Tour de France", by the Vend&#65533;e area hams (West France) on all HF bands, and possibly other bands, on CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via F6KUF, RC Vend&#65533;en,

either direct or by the Bureau.

V3, BELIZE. Colin/KU5B will be active as V31UB between August 5-10th. Activity will be 80-6 meters, possibly 160m, using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. Look for him in the NAQP CW Contest (August 6-7th). QSL via LoTW, or to KU5B.

VK9L, LORD HOWE ISLAND. Members of the Hellenic Amateur Radio Association of Australia will activate Lord Howe Island (OC-004) as VK9HR between July 23rd and August 2nd. Activity will be for ten days with an international team of ten operators operating CW, SSB and RTTY, and on 160-6 meters. Operators mentioned are Tommy/VK2IR (Team Leader), John/VK3YP, Peter/VK2NN, Raffy/VK2RF, Bruce/VK2KLM, Ed/VK2ARE, Don/N4HH, Alex/OZ7AM, Les/W2LK and Saul/K2XA. QSL via EB7DX. The operation's Web site is: http://www.vk9hr.com

W4, UNITED STATES (Special Event). The Coastal Amateur Radio Team (CART) of Bryan County, Georgia, has the honor of providing communications for the Ft. McAllister Sport Fishing Club's Wounded Warrior Fishing Rodeo on August 20th. CART will also run a special event station, W4W, from 2000z, August 19th, to 2000z, August 21st, in honor of our wounded warriors. Operation will be on 20 meters, SSB and CW. QSL AF4MI, direct with SASE.

YJ, VANUATU. Chris, VK3QB, will once again lead a team of operators to Port Vila on Efate Island 9OC-035), Vanuatu, and be active as YJ0VK between September 30th and October 12th. Operators mentioned are Chris/VK3QB, Luke/VK3HJ, Ian/VK3BUF, Dianne/VK3JDI, Lee/VK3GK, Tom/NQ7R, Ben/N6MUF and Andy/M0HLT. Bands/modes of activity were not yet announced, but last operation they focused on the HF bands (with special attention to the 30/17/12 meter bands). They do plan to have three stations on the air as often as possible. QSL via VK2CA, direct or by the Bureau. LoTW log upload will be available on completion of operation. For update, visit the YJ0VK Web page at: http://yj0vk.odxg.org/yj0vk2011/default.html

ZD8, ASCENSION ISLAND (Update/Delayed). German operators Wolf/DK1IP, Rainer/DL7OR, Gerd/DJ4KW, Arno/DL1CW and Werner/DJ9KH were expected to be active as ZD8D from Garden Cottage, Ascension Island (AF-003), between July 24th and August 9th (see OPDX.1009), but have now push their operation back until possibly October. The delay is due to heavy rainfalls in late April which damaged the street to Garden Cottage (their planned operating site). They have changed their plans and will now use a guesthouse in Georgetown which they state "is not ideal. We have to rely on our fiber-glass poles, as there are no trees etc... We are afraid, that we will be handicapped on 160 and 80m, but we will do our best, of course." For updates, visit their Web page at: http://www.zd8d.de/index.php?home

ZG3, GIBRALTAR (Special Event). Look for Mike, ZB3M, to be active as ZG3M between September 5-11th. He is using this special prefix to celebrate "Gibraltar's National Day" which takes place on September 10th. QSL via the address on QRZ.com.

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620. [RAC-Bulletin] IARU HF World Championship 2011

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From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4E131F5A.7040204@rac.ca>
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IARU HF World Championship 2011

To IARU Region 2 Member Societies:

The coming weekend, July 9th and 10th, the 2011 version of the IARU
HF World Championship will take place.

The objective of this SSB and CW contest is to contact as many other
amateurs, especially IARU member society HQ stations, around the world
using the 160, 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 meter bands. It is open to all
radio amateurs around the world.

We invite IARU member societies to actively participate with their
HQ stations.

The rules for this year's contest can found here:
http://www.arrl.org/iaru-hf-championship

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Ramon Santoyo V. XE1KK
Secretary - IARU Region 2

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621. VIDEOS FOR HOT GUYS

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Date: 2011-07-05 16:36:56 UTC
From: RHANI <raghavaraghavi2862@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <bd41fc22-fdde-4f05-bf23-66de5dffdb1b@h25g2000prf.googlegroups.com>
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http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/05/deepika-padukone_22.html
AISHWARYA RAI UNBELIVABLE PHOTO
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/05/aishwarya-rai.html
TAPSEE RARE PHOTOS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/06/tapsee-rare-photos.html

FOR FAST UPDATES IN TELUGU FILM INDUSTRY
http://allyouwants.blogspot.com

622. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-05 20:24:45 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <5a022901-b781-413e-9e94-f69b54ee91c9@h17g2000yqn.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4262

On Jul 5, 12:36 pm, RHANI <

623. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 27 June - 03 July 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-05 21:30:09 UTC
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Message-ID: <20110705213001.8F19333C4A@panix2.panix.com>
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:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2011 Jul 05 1804 UTC
# Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
# http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
27 June - 03 July 2011

Solar activity was very low for 27 June to 02 July and increased to
low levels for 03 July. Region 1236 (N17, L=167, class/area Ehi/350
on 15 June), which rotated around west limb on 26 June, produced
most of the activity on 27-28 June. Regions 1242 (N17, L=056,
class/area Dso/90 on 29 June), 1243 (N16, L=351, class/area Cao/80
on 02 July), and 1244 (N16, L=024, class/area Dso/60 on 03 July)
dominated activity for 29 June - 02 July with occasional B-class
flares. Region 1244 became the dominant flare producing region on 03
July with a C2/Sf at 1244 UTC. The region also produced a long
duration B9/Sf at 03/0024 UTC which was associated with type II and
type IV radio sweeps as well as a partial halo CME centered over the
southwest limb.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
high levels for 27-30 June but dropped to background levels for
01-03 July.

Geomagnetic field activity was predominantly quiet for 27-30 June.
Quiet to active levels were observed on 01 July due to a high speed
stream from a coronal hole. Quiet to unsettled levels prevailed for
02-03 July with some isolated active periods at high latitudes as
the high speed stream slowly subsided. The high speed stream was
weak with peak velocity around 450 km/s; enhanced activity intervals
corresponded to somewhat enhanced negative Bz intervals (e.g. around
-5 to -7 nT late in the day on 30 June and early in the day on 03
July).

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
06 July - 01 August 2011

Solar activity is expected to be very low to low for most of the
outlook interval. There may be an increase in background levels for
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10-21 July with the return of old Region 1236 on 10 July which may also increase activity to low levels. There is a chance that new, rapidly emerging flux regions could increase activity to moderate levels at any time during the outlook period.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at background levels initially. An increase to high levels is expected around 20 July and lasting through 26 July in response to a recurrent high speed stream. Background levels are expected to return for 26 July - 01 August.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be quiet to unsettled for 6-8 July. Quiet levels are expected for 09-19 July. An increase to unsettled with a chance for active periods is expected for 18-21 July in response to a recurrent high speed stream. Quiet levels are expected to prevail for 24 July - 28 July. Another increase to unsettled levels is expected for 29-30 July due to another recurrent high speed stream, with quiet levels returning for 31 July - 01 August.

624. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #1017.1

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-06 10:33:48 UTC
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Message-ID: <620170.39355.qm@smtp105.sbc.mail.bf1.yahoo.com>
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4W6A TIMOR-LESTE (EAST TIMOR) DXPEDITION (SEPTEMBER 16-26th, 2011).
<http://www.4w6a.com> PRESS RELEASE NUMBER 4 • July 5th, 2011:
The 4W6A team welcomes Bernd L•nger, VK2IA, as the seventh and final member of the DXpedition. Bernd has joined the DXpedition in order to help balance the requirement for CW operation. He brings a wealth of DXpedition and contesting experience from Europe and the Asia-Pacific area.
Also joining the team, although not in Timor-Leste itself, are Col McGowan, MM0NDX, and Kev Haworth, M0TNX. Col, who is the founder and editor of the DX World website [http://dx-world.net], has been appointed as pilot while Kev will be the assistant QSL manager to Tim, M0URX. Col will be responsible for providing feedback to the team on Atauro Island. He may be contacted at dxer59@gmail.com
CDXC (Chiltern DX Club • the UK DX Foundation), the RSGB DXpedition Fund, the German DX Foundation, the Northern California DX Foundation, the European DX Foundation, the Nippon DX Association and the Northern Illinois DX Association are the latest DX clubs and foundations that are kindly providing financial support for the DXpedition. The team is very grateful to all DX groups, companies and individuals who have offered sponsorship. All are listed with thanks on the 4W6A website at http://www.4w6a.com/sponsors.html If you or your DX club also wish to help, there is a "Donations" page on the 4W6A website. Payments may be made by credit or debit card and you do not need to have a PayPal account yourself in order to make a donation.
4W6A will be QRV from Atauro Island (IOTA OC-232), Timor-Leste (East Timor), from 16 to 26 September 2011. Activity will be on all bands 10 to 160 metres, using CW, SSB and RTTY. The QSL manager is M0URX, direct (SAE plus 1 IRC / $2), via the bureau, or LoTW. The entire log will be uploaded to LoTW as quickly as possible after the end of the

operation or, if possible, even during the DXpedition. QSLs may also
be requested using the QSL request form on the website.

YOUNGSTERS TAKE CONTROL OF FINLAND'S 20M SSB IARU HQ STATION AT RADIO ARCALA, OH8X, (Helsinki - July 6th, 2011). "Working OH2HQ may land you not only another HQ multiplier but may give you a good feeling and reinforce your faith in the future of Amateur Radio - so look for these four guys with their well prepared and balanced effort in their first serious contest.

Mari, (YL) 18, OH2FPK, is a true mother figure of the group, radiating sympathy and empathy, but also ready to guide the gang to the best possible results. Mari can fight for her frequency if needed as she is one of the nation's best for her age in a Japanese martial art called taido. Mari is targeting for a meteorological profession and she can communicate with you in both English and Russian.

Leevi, 17, OH2FHN, is the group's superb CW operator but also the team's technical expert. Leevi is a seasoned antenna builder and feels at ease working with electronics. He was just rewarded with a Bencher paddle to bring his CW to new heights. Leevi is comfortable with teaching the group as he conducts amateur radio courses, specializing in the technical part.

Joona, 13, OH2FPG, is the youngest member of the team but well experienced to communicate with people both on radio and in person thanks to his participation in several ham radio promotional exhibits. Joona is quite outspoken and deals with the group's IT needs with his extensive knowledge as another bright youth. Joona can handle the multitudes with his good command of English.

Joel, 13, OH2FHI, is multi-talented and has coupled his burgeoning contesting interest with a focus on music as his way of life. When the IARU contest starts, Joel may blow a few sounds on the air from his accompanying trumpet. Joel is a true powerhouse and lots of fun as an expert, young team-builder with his humor and ready wit. English is Joel's mother language.

So, this team has a very balanced skill set to do well at Radio Arcala's Northern outpost faced with all the expected and unexpected challenges. They plan to do a series of internal 2-hour runs to sort out their rates and then target for the best score along with maximum learning experience while exploiting their current skill levels to meet a variety of needs for achieving the highest possible QSO total.

The Finnish Amateur Radio League (SRAL) is the Finnish national IARU society with more than 4300 OH members while Radio Arcala is an alliance of dedicated Finnish contesters with the aim to increase awareness of competitive amateur radio and related concepts among today's youth through Arcala's extreme and novel approach. There is no doubt that these youngsters get a kick out of turning the mammoth 40-ton antenna constructions and driving the contest machine from the airplane-like Arcala cockpit. Radio extreme at its best. Check out the Radio Arcala website at <www.radioarcala.com>

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Pictures (JPEG) of the four young operators are available on request.

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((( 73 de Jarmo, OH2BN )))

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625. The ARRL Contest Update for July 6, 2011

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The ARRL Contest Update

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July 6, 2011

Editor: Ward Silver, N0AX <rate-sheet@arrl.org>

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- Lets Talk Taps
- It's ALL Multiop

NEW HF OPERATORS - THINGS TO DO

The annual midsummer night's dream of the IARU HF World Championship is
a lot of fun with its summertime propagation (watch 20 at night!),
24-hour format (think the Le Mans road race), and dual-mode operating.
It's an exciting change and a good opportunity to keep your skills
sharp after Field Day. The following weekend features several digital
contests to try, as well!

BULLETINS

There are no bulletins in this issue.

BUSTED QSOS

Bill N5RKD notes that the Chinese radio telescope mentioned last time
will be 500 meters across and Arecibo is 305 meters across.

CONTEST SUMMARY

Complete information for all contests follows the Conversation section

July 9-10

- IARU HF World Championship
- SNS and NS Weekly Sprints--CW (Jul 8)
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- FISTS Summer Sprint--CW (Jul 8)
- Straight Key Weekend Sprint--
- QRP ARCI Summer Homebrew--CW

July 16-17

- North American QSO Party RTTY
- CQ WW VHF Contest
- CWops Monthly Mini-CWT Test (Jul 13)
- DMC RTTY Contest
- Feld-Hell Telephone Sprint
- Russian Radio Team Championship
- CQC Great Colorado Gold Rush--CW
- Run For the Bacon - Monthly--CW (Jul 18)

==> NEWS, PRESS RELEASES, AND GENERAL INTEREST

Bob W5OV just got back from the big Friederichschafen hamfest in Bavaria and posted a big photo album <http://nj-bob.smugmug.com/Professional/FN2011/17704529_nhx2cm> of new products, shots of the goings-on in the Array Solutions booth, beautiful pictures of the countryside, and so forth. The most notable new item was a solid-state 800-watt amplifier from Acom. It apparently includes a tuner and sounds very attractive. No word on availability in the US.

The August issue of the RSGB's Radcom will feature The Joy Of Contesting 2.0 by well-known DXer and contester Mark M0DXR. It's a good read and makes a good example of how competitive operating - i.e. radiosport - makes a very attractive entry to ham radio. (Thanks, Tim K3LR)

Regarding the new Russian prefix assignments mentioned in the previous issue, Joe W4TV notes a potential problem. "Most contests recognize the ARRL DXCC list as the basis for multipliers. The DXCC List treats some of the areas mentioned as being in Europe as Asiatic Russia." Joe advises waiting for some action by the DXCC Manager before making any changes in your CTY files.

Felipe PY1NB has recently created a set of statistics tools on the DX Watch <http://www.dxwatch.com/> website that uses spotting network data. The tools include Top Spots Per Band and Continent <http://www.dxwatch.com/statistics/top_spots.php>, Top Self-Spotters <http://www.dxwatch.com/statistics/top_self_spotters.php>, and an interesting Lid Fest <http://www.dxwatch.com/statistics/lidfest.php>. I guess there is no shortage of data for that last one!

Fred KE7X has written a new book about the Elecraft K3, "The Elecraft K3: Design, Configuration, and Operation <http://www.ke7x.com/home/guide-to-the-k3>." Even if you are not a K3 owner but are interested in this top-flight radio, Fred's presentation make for great radio reading! (Thanks, Ken K0PP)

Here's an interesting website <http://www.itworld.com/software/176647/decoding-compliance-certification-icons> that helps you figure out what all those strange logos are that seem to be plastered all over every piece of electronics. We all recognize the Underwriter Labs mark, but those others? They must mean something, right? Bueller? I assume NOM doesn't mean "good to eat"!

The largest number of transmitters I encountered in a Field Day exchange this year was 25 for the W3AO "humungotron" effort. Always WAY up there, receiving that exchange never fails to raise an eyebrow or bring on a stare of disbelief on the other end of the QSO as the possibilities are considered. If you'd like to have a look at what such an effort entails, have a look at N3ALN's photo album <http://www.n3aln.com/W3AOFD2011.htm> from the weekend. It makes me tired just to look at it! Even is 25 seems like a big number, consider doubling it to 50! The W3AO team hit that mark in 2004 and you can watch the operation on the video, "The Last BIG Field Day" that can be purchased from Amateur Radio Video News <http://arvideonews.com/> (ARVN) for a reasonable cost. (Thanks, Tim K3LR and Gary KN4AQ)

Web Site of the Week - In this faster-faster-faster world, something with a mission of going slow, slower, slowest certainly is attention getting! Such is the Clock of the Long Now <http://www.10000yearclock.net/index.html> - a clock designed to tick once every year for 10,000 years! (The cuckoo is really, really patient...) The Long Now Foundation just received an investment from Jeff Bezos and may be able to start building the clock <http://www.wired.com/gadgetlab/2011/06/10000-year-clock/all/1> "soon", although I suppose that's a relative term!

WORD TO THE WISE

Invitation - the August 21st Rookie Roundup <http://www.arrl.org/rookie-roundup> will be using RTTY for the first time. New hams may be more familiar with computer technology and so may be naturally interested in digital contesting, more than voice or Morse. Why not invite a new ham over to take part? Now is the time to make the invitation so that it can be worked into the busy summer months.

==> SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

Dennis W1UE has a blog <http://lzhffd11.blogspot.com/> underway from the Bulgarian LZ HF Championship <http://www.bfra.org/qrp> that ran on July 2nd. Several US teams took part and as of editing this issue, the final finishing places haven't yet been announced.

EME'ers are well-acquainted with the various "wobbles" of the Moon as it travels along its orbit. Here's a visualization <http://www.universetoday.com/86613/one-year-of-the-moon-in-2-5-minutes/> in the form of a time-lapse video from the Goddard Space Flight Center. It uses data from the Lunar Reconnaissance Orbiter to compress one month into 12 seconds and one year into 2.5 minutes. (From the AMSAT

<http://www.amsat.org/> Weekly Bulletin, ANS-177)

Cory WA3UVV found a scrolling license plate frame <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H-oZHXBHmtU> online. He suggests trying messages such as "Follow me to Field Day". With a ham license plate, it could be a novel form of PR for Amateur Radio!

Another space-related animation <http://tinyurl.com/6bx2g3r> depicts key events of NASA's Mars Science Laboratory mission, which will launch in late 2011 and land a rover, Curiosity, on Mars in August 2012. Sooner or later these are going to have a ham radio on them and then will they count as a multiplier? (From the AMSAT <http://amsat.org/> Weekly Bulletin, ANS-184)

Field Day operators who dealt with the wrath of Donner and Blitzen this past weekend may wish to take a gander at this art installation <http://www.diaart.org/sites/page/56/1375> and consider the possibilities!

Old-time QSL aficionados will enjoy this very cool story about Otto Eppers <http://www.arrl.org/otto-eppers-making-waves>, a guy who drew the cartoons for a bunch of those old cards.

==> RESULTS AND RECORDS

Curt K9AKS has been keeping 6 meter stats and he reports that of the fourteen stations who worked at least 280 grids in any year on 6 meters, eight did so in 2011. Four more stations followed with at least 268 grids in 2011. The very highest totals, 337, 314 and 310, however, were achieved in 2010. In fact, the highest thirteen grid totals (over 280) were all worked in either 2010 or 2011. A couple of pretty good years on six - very widespread openings brought high grid totals. Eight stations claimed over 1200 QSOs on 6 this year, but none over 1500 where the top four all time totals still reside. Four of the top ten all-time QSO totals are claimed for 2011. The trends are clear; in years with good conditions, grid and QSO totals will continue to rise.

All of the results, certificate and plaque winners for the 2010 Ontario QSO Party <http://www.va3cco.com/oqp/results/index.htm> are now available on the OQP website. PDF certificates are available and plaque winners will receive their prize by mail. A special thanks to compiler-in-chief, Bob VE3KZ. (Thanks, Don VE3XD)

OPERATING TIP

It has been observed that many Field Day operators tended to run their pileups like a traffic net. For example, a caller would be acknowledged without giving an exchange, leading to an extra round of communications in every contact. For example,

- CQ FD KO0A
- [pileup]
- W1ABC go ahead

- KO0A de W1ABC 1A EMA
- W1ABC 2A MO
- QSL
- TU FD KO0A

While this is OK on a directed net, it's not efficient during Field Day. Similarly, calling a station and giving the full exchange is a way to check into a traffic net but doesn't work well otherwise. So we have some mentoring to do about effective technique. If you don't think this is a significant waste of time, consider having to say the extra back-and-forth 1000 times in a row before you could begin regular operation!

==> TECHNICAL TOPICS AND INFORMATION

Jim W6RMK reminds us of the ubiquitous and inexpensive "grounding bar <http://www.acehardwareoutlet.com/ProductDetails.aspx?SKU=34820>" used inside a circuit breaker box. Each bar has plenty of holes with clamp screws on each one. Used with an anti-oxidation compound, these make great grounding busses for radials and ground wires.

And as far as laying those radials...why dig when your lawn will bury the radials for you? Cut your grass very short - then within hours lay the radials by hand, held down by galvanized landscape pins (a short piece of galvanized wire bent double works just fine) and with the end of each wire wrapped around a pin pushed deep. Set the mower a bit higher for the next few cuttings. Water to keep the sod growing at a fast rate - if needed. In four weeks or so all radials will self-bury and be gone under the sod. After five years the radials are down about 6 inches - all on their own. (Thanks, Tim K3LR)

Here's a video tour <https://www.base2.us/index.php?page=ac> of a professional PC board manufacturer (Advanced Circuits). If you ever wanted to know just how it's done, take this tour and listen to the explanation!

Microwave Journal just ran an informative article on the materials used to make cables <http://www.mwjournal-digital.com/mwjournal/201106/?pg=42&pm=2&u1=friend>. Food for thought!

Julius N2WN had to pull some ground rods while relocating a couple of verticals. He uses copper tubing but this would work with rods too. Take a pipe wrench and gently break the rod loose by twisting back and forth. Once loose, apply a slight upward pressure and basically "unscrew" the rods from the ground.

The current issue of Nuts and Volts <http://www.nutsvolts.com/> magazine includes a "Bat Detector" ultrasonic receiver. What does this have to do with radio? It contains a nice discussion of heterodyning in a different context, for one thing. Also, the use of ultrasonics could create an interesting parallel to radiosport, using different frequency ranges and a simple ultrasonic transmitter, no licenses required!

Technical Web Site of the Week - Tapped antenna loading coil design is aided by two online calculators. The first one <http://www.chemeng.ed.ac.uk/people/jack/radio/software/loading.html> estimates the coil inductance value for a given frequency, radiator length, and position of the coil along the radiator. The second <http://ecosse.org/jack/radio/software/newcoil3.html> gives you the number of windings you'll need for a given coil diameter, length, and given inductance value. (Thanks, Pete W1PNS)

==> CONVERSATION

It's ALL Multi-op

Wasn't Field Day fun? Even for the dyed-in-the-wool single-ops, the annual Field Day cooperative adventures and misadventures are a great antidote to the "all by myself" perspective. I think that's one reason why yesteryear's great W1ICD QST covers of June and July were so resonant with so many. Team building and planning, followed by the inevitable collision with reality, are such a deep part of Amateur Radio. And if it can be humorous and fun along the way, well, who's to quibble with that?

Sitting around in one of the few remaining dry spots on Saturday night with the rest of the night owls of the St Charles Amateur Radio Club (KO0A) and waiting for the barrage of thunderstorms to pass us by, it was an opportunity to share some stories and a few laughs. Some of us were brand-new to the game and others old hands, but we were all sharing a common goal and had our shoulders to the same wheel. There were many hands to share the set up and just as many to take it all down again on Sunday. The memories of that weather-filled night won't distinguish between Tech, General, and Extra.

John Sluymer, VE3EJ, in his recent CQ Contest Hall of Fame acceptance speech stated as much by recounting just how many of his achievements depended on more than just himself. So many times through the speech, he came back to "again, multiop." Although recognized for his personal achievements, John richly deserves his position on the HOF list even more because of his acknowledgement that all of us get here with many helping hands.

Even if we send in our logs as "Single-Op" in a contest, it's more than likely that more than one person was involved in getting a station going. Family members pitch in - or help make space in your life for you to do the work. Antenna-raising work parties - think "Seven Beams for Seven Brothers" - are as fundamental a part of ham radio as you can get. And then there are the after-meeting-meetings when tips and tricks and troubleshooting techniques are traded.

No, there's little in our stations that is truly a single-op effort. Certainly, it would be a lonely hobby without all of you out there. Thanks for helping your fellow hams and almost-hams and going-to-be-hams. Maybe Marconi did it himself but even Guglielmo needed a pair of ears on "the other end" to receive that first

trans-Atlantic "S".

73, Ward N0AX

==> CONTESTS

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An expanded, downloadable version of QST's Contest Corral in PDF format <http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar> is available. Check the sponsor's Web site for information on operating time restrictions and other instructions.

HF CONTESTS

IARU HF World Championship--Phone,CW, from Jul 9, 1200Z to Jul 10, 1200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RST and IARU zone. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.arrl.org/contests>

SNS and NS Weekly Sprints--CW, from Jul 8, 0200Z to Jul 8, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-14. Exchange: Serial, name, and S/P/C. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.ncccsprint.com/rules.html>

FISTS Summer Sprint--CW, from Jul 8, 2000 EDT to Jul 8, 2400 EDT. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, name, FISTS number or pwr. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.fists.org/>

Straight Key Weekend Sprint--CW, from Jul 10, 0000Z to Jul 10, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50. Exchange: RST, QTH, name, member number. Logs due: 5 days. Rules <http://www.skccgroup.com/sprint/wes>

QRP ARCI Summer Homebrew--CW, from Jul 10, 2000Z to Jul 10, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, QRP number or power. Logs due: Aug 12. Rules <http://www.qrparci.org/>

CWops Monthly Mini-CWT Test--CW, from Jul 13, 1300Z to Jul 14, 0400Z and See website, See website to , See website. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Frequencies: Multiple operating periods, twice monthly on 2nd and 4th Wed, 18 to 28 kHz above band edge. Exchange: Name and member number or S/P/C. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.cwops.org/onair.html>

DMC RTTY Contest--Digital, from Jul 16, 1200Z to Jul 17, 1200Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST and serial. Logs due: Aug 18. Rules <http://www.digital-modes-club.org/>

Feld-Hell Telephone Sprint--Digital, from Jul 16, 1600Z to Jul 16, 1800Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Frequencies: Monthly on 3rd Saturday. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, Feld-Hell member nr or age. Logs due: 7 days. Rules <http://sites.google.com/site/feldhellclub>

North American QSO Party RTTY--Digital, from Jul 16, 1800Z to Jul 17, 0600Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: Name and S/P/C. Logs due: 14 days. Rules <http://www.ncjweb.com/>

Russian Radio Team Championship--Phone,CW, from Jul 17, 0700Z to Jul 17, 1459Z. Bands (MHz): 7-28. Exchange: RS(T) and ITU zone or 3-letter code. Logs due: Jul 18. Rules <http://www.srr.ru/CONTEST/>

CQC Great Colorado Gold Rush--CW, from Jul 17, 2000Z to Jul 17, 2159Z. Bands (MHz): 14. Exchange: RST, serial, category, CQC member nr. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.cqc.org/contests>

Run For the Bacon - Monthly--CW, from Jul 18, 0100Z to Jul 18, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, Flying Pig nr or power. Rules <http://www.fpqrp.com/fpqrprun.php>

VHF+ CONTESTS

CQ WW VHF Contest--Phone,CW,Digital, from Jul 16, 1800Z to Jul 17, 2100Z. Bands (MHz): 50,144. Exchange: 4-digit grid square. Logs due: Sep 1. Rules <http://www.cqww-vhf.com/>

Straight Key Weekend Sprint--CW, from Jul 10, 0000Z to Jul 10, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50. Exchange: RST, QTH, name, member number. Logs due: 5 days. Rules <http://www.skccgroup.com/sprint/wes>

==> LOG DUE DATES

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July 10 - WAB 50 MHz Phone
<http://wab.intermip.net/Contest%20Rules.php#OtherRules>

July 12 - REF DDFM 6m Contest
<http://concours.ref-union.org/reglements/actuels/reg_ddfm50_fr_0912.pdf>

July 13 - ARRL June VHF QSO Party
<http://www.arrl.org/june-vhf-qso-party>

July 15 - His Maj. King of Spain Contest, SSB
<http://www.ure.es/contest/431-sm-el-rey-contest-english-version.html>

July 16 - VK/Trans-Tasman 160m Contest, Phone
<http://home.iprimus.com.au/vktasman/RULES.HTM>

July 18 - Kid's Day Contest <http://www.arrl.org/kids-day>

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-07 02:03:26 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <62118432156.20110707035823@dxhf.darc.de>
Source record: 4266
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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C2 - NAURU, OC-031
OH2YY hopes to be active in SSB signing C21YY from July 11-20. He will
be using a 2 ele tribander and dipoles for 40/17/12m. QSL via homecall.

GD - ISLE OF MAN, EU-116
The group of MD/DK1SG, MD/DJ4AK, MD/DL1SPH, MD/DH1SBB, MD/DG7SF,
MD/DG5SBK, MD/DG1SBU, MD/DL6SBN, MD/DC5SAN, MD/DO9BC, MD/DO5MZ,
MD/DO2TGO plus two SWLs, are going to hit the airwaves in CW, SSB,
RTTY und PSK on 160m-6m from the Isle of Man (EU-116, WLOTA LH0449)
from Jul 7-14. Listen for them on the usual IOTA frequencies +/- QRM.
All QSOs will be confirmed via bureau (via homecalls) automatically.
The team will join the IARU HF World Championship on Jul 9/10 as MD9Y.
For MD9Y QSL only direct via GD3YUM. See also: http://do9bc.de

J7 - DOMINICA, NA-101
J79XB is the callsign of Mike,VE2XB, on Dominica (NA-101) where he
plans to stay for the next weeks starting on Jul 6. He will work on
all HF bands and maybe also on 6m.
After that Mike plans to activate St. Pierre & Miquelon (FP) in August
or September. His QSL route can be found on QRZ.com.

JX - JAN MAYEN, EU-022
Stan,SQ8X, is the leader of the JX5O DXpedition to Jan Mayen taking
place from Jul 6-14. He will be accompanied by Pete,SQ9DIE, Tomek,SQ9C,
Vicky,SV2KBS, Bjoern,SM0MDG, Leszek,NI1L, Bernie,HB9ASZ, and Jon,TF3ZA.
They want to work with two or three stations at the same time on all
bands except 80m/160m (no DX conds in summer) mainly in CW and RTTY/PSK
but also in SSB.
QSLs should be sent direct to SQ8X, Stan, Box 8, 38-600 Lesko, Poland.
QSLs (bureau or direct) can be requested also via the OQRS system on:
http://janmayen2011.org

LY - LITHUANIA
LY53SOP will be activated for the Sea of Peace award by Saulius,LY5W,
from Jul 1-31. QSL via LY5W, Saulius Zalnerauskas, Box 1081, Kaunas,
LT-49005 Lithuania.

ST0 - SOUTH SUDAN
The Intrepid-DX Group and the DX Friends are planning a multi-national
DXpedition to South Sudan which will declare its independence on Jul 9.
They have talked with the designated government of South Sudan and they
also plan to install amateur radio in the country. They will apply for
a new prefix from the ITU. Operations will commence in Juba on Jul 9.
The team includes following OPs: Dave,K3LP (co-leader), Roberto,EA2RY,
Antonio,EA5RM (co-leader), Paul,N6PSE (co-leader), Hrane,YT1AD,
Manolo,EA7AJR, Krassy,K1LZ, Jose,EA7KW, Bob,N6OX, Flo,F5CWU,
Jun,JH4RHF, Bernard,F9IE, Dmitri,RA9USU, Fabrizio,IN3ZNR, Al,K3VN,
Valery,UT7CR, Bill,N2WB, and Dave,AH6HY.
Their pilote stations are Chuck,AA6G, (got USA), Toshi,JA1ELY (JA),
Col,MM0NDX (for EU).
See also: http://www.dxfriends.com/SouthernSudan2011
http://www.dxfriends.com or http://www.intrepid-dx.com

SV9 - CRETE ISLAND, EU-015
OM Claude,HB9CRX, and his XYL Doris are spending their holidays in
Kissamos from Jul 11-27. Claude will work with QRP signing SV9/HB9CRX
in CW on 30m-10m. QSL via HB9CRX.

TF - ICELAND, EU-021
Oleksiy,TF/VE2XAA, is working from Iceland (EU-021) in CW, SSB and RTTY
on 160m-6m from Jul 6-11. He will use the callsign TF4X in the upcoming
IARU HF Championship Contest on Jul 9/10.
QSL for TF4X via G3SWH, all other cards should be sent to his homecall.

TI7 - COSTA RICA
David,TI7/K2DBK, will be QRV from Costa Rica from Jul 10-17. His QTH
will be in the northwest part of the country near the city of Liberia
in the Guanacaste region. David will be on vacation with friends so
this will be a "holiday style" operation with operating mostly taking
place in the late afternoon local time. He will work only in SSB on
10m-20m and possibly 6m if conditions permit. QSL via homecall.
His address: http://k2dbk.blogspot.com or http://k2dbk.com
twitter: @k2dbk

V4 - ST KITTS AND NEVIS, NA-104
John, W5JON, will be on the air again as V47JA from Calypso Bay on
St. Kitts (NA-104, CQ Zone 8, Grid FK87pg) between Jul 12 and Aug 2.
He will work in SSB on 80m-6m and also in the CQWW VHF Contest and the
RSGB IOTA SSB Contest. His XYL Cathy,W5HAM, will be active on the bands
as well signing V47HAM. All QSLs via W5JON.

ZF - CAYMAND ISLANDS, NA-016
Bob,W5UQ, and Bill,W5SJ, will be QRV as ZF2UQ and ZF2EZ from Jul 11-18.
They plan to take part also in the CQWW VHF Contest (Jul 16-17) mainly
on 6m. Listen for them mostly in CW and only some SSB on the HF bands

outside of the contest. QSL via W5JAY (see QRZ.com).

FRANCE, SPECIAL EVENT STATION
The special event station TM98TF will be QRV in CW, SSB and digital
modes on all bands during the Tour de France from Jul 1-14.
QSLs via bureau or direct to F6KUF.

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Jul 9: FISTS Sprint Contest
Jul 9-10: IARU HF World Championship
Jul 10: QRP-ARCI Summer Homebrew Sprint

IOTA collected by Ric,DL2VFR (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
EU-010, GM, Outer Hebrides: At the end of their visit in the northwest of
Scotland 2E0LSR and 2E0DJR may show up from Baleshare und Berneray on
Jul 5 and maybe also from Vallay on Jul 7. Their call will be 2M0LSR/p.
QSL via 2E0LSR (direct/bureau). See also: http://2e0lsr.wordpress.com

EU-016, 9A, Dalmatia South group: 9A/SM0R will show up from different places
on Hvar from Jul 10-15. QSL via SM0RUX (direct/bureau).

EU-055, LA, Sogn og Fjordane / Hordaland / Rogaland County group: LA1QDA
will be QRV in CW and SSB on 80m-6m from his summer QTH on Store Sotra
from Jul 11-31. QSL via LA1QDA (direct/bureau).

EU-057, DL, Mecklenburg-Vorpommern State group: DM8TA is working in SSB
mostly on 20m from Ruegen until Jul 13. QSL via bureau.

EU-128, DL, Schleswig-Holstein State East group: DF8HS will be QRV from
Fehmarn from Jul 9-29. QSL via bureau.

IOTA TRIP: G3ZHL, G3YKI and G8IBO are on a sailing trip and plan to activate
several islands in the north and west of Scotland as GM3ZHL/p from
Jul 9-22. QSL via GM3ZHL (bureau) or G3ZHL (direct).

Lighthouse activities (WLOTA/ARLHS/ILLW)

CR6W D 2002 Insua Island Jul 24/25
EF8M D 2816 Gran Canaria Jul 28/29
NH7A G 7222 Hawaii (Big Island) Jul 28/29

Bandspots of the last 7 days

20m
SG3U 14.030 0530Z EU-084

GM0WED/p 14.020 1350Z
SX0A 14.010 0525Z
EM3WFF 14.022 0553Z
SP0CFF 14.044 0555Z
GB4IG 14.046 1200Z EU-120
SY7SOG 14.006 1657Z

15m
9J2BO 21.022 1645Z
GM0WED 21.015 1610Z EU-009
UT1KWA 21.020 1156Z URFF 037
UT0NT 21.020 1228Z URFF 047

10m
SY7SOG 28.014 1740Z

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(L) = LoTW
(r) = bureau QSL via e-mail request

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

01Jul-08Jul 2M0LSR/A 1734
01Jul 2M0LSR/m 1734
-Dec 3Y8XSA 1700/1717
16Jun-15Jul 5N6/YL2SW 1734
Jul 7Q7MH 1734
CANCELLED 8Q7LR 1732
-Sep 9J2KK 1682
NOW 9M2/KM9D 1731
May -10Jul 9M2/RA9LR 1727
02Jul/03Jul 9M8RC 1734
-Nov 9Q6CC 1699

-Aug A92IO 1663
02Jul-09Jul BY1RX/4 1734
30Jun-03Jul BY4QA/5 1734
29Jun-05Jul CR2EME 1734
01Jul-05Jul EA6/DL4ABO 1734
03Jul-09Jul ES0FTZ 1734
04Jul-09Jul F/G5XW 1734
-Aug FO8RZ 1636
18Jun-14Jul FO/F6CTL 1732
20Jun-03Jul FS/K9EL 1732
25Jun-02Jul GM3IZD.. 1733
15Jun-15Jul HF2011B.. 1733
-30Jun HF800Z 1733
-30Jun HG2011A 1713

26Jun-02Jul IA5/IK2MLS 1733
-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul/12 J28RO 1683
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
25Jun-15Jul J68HS 1733
16Jun-05Sep K1VSJ 1732
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
-May/12 KH4/W5FJG 1728
30Jun-01Jul KP4/N2EFN 1734
-17Jul LA9RY 1734
30Jun-03Jul LJ2T 1734
02Jul/03Jul M0RSE 1734
Jun NQ6K/VY0 1732

30Jun-02Jul OJ0/SA5BJM 1734
Jul OL2011VP 1721
-Sep P29CW 1713
25Jun-07Jul PJ2/DJ8NK.. 1733
22Jun-06Jul PJ6D 1733
April-Jun PP0T 1725
02Jul-09Jul PY0FO 1734
-Dec RI1ANC 1708
09Jul- South Sudan 1731/1732
19Jun-01Jul SD1B/5 1732
01Jul-01Aug SF2X/p 1734
01May-31Jul SQ100MSC 1725
25Jun-16Jul SV3/DJ5RT 1733
30Jun-10Jul SV5/DJ5MN 1734
25Jun-04Jul SX0A 1733

-Jun/12 T6MO 1733
-Nov T6SH 1734
-Jul T6TL 1695/1727
09Jul/10Jul TM90LH 1727
19May-Jul V31XB 1728
-Mar/12 VK0KEV (Macq) 1700/1701
-Jun VK0M/ZL4DB/p 1725
29Jun-01Jul VY1T 1734
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
01Jul-07Jul XU7ADD 1734
-17Jul YJ8A 1734
-Sep ZC4MIS 1732
22Jun-30Jun ZF7XF 1733
-Sep ZD9GI 1691

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

3A/IW1RBI via IW1RBI (B)
4O/YO3AS via YO3AS (d)

5B/RN3QO via N2UCK (B)
5W1SA via JA1DXA
5X1VJ via UV5EVJ (B)
9A/DL6FAH via DL6FAH (B)
9A/S59AA via S59AA (B)
MR0AQZ via MW0AQZ (d)
MR0ASP via MJ0ASP (B), (L)
MR0BJM via MD0BJM
MR0BQN via MM0BQN (L)
MR0BXJ via MW0BXJ
MR0CCE via MD0CCE (B), (L)
MR0CKX via M0CKX (B), eQSL
MR0CSN via M0CSN
MR0CVT via MW0CVT (B), eQSL
MR0CWB via MM0CWB
MR0CXA via MM0CXA (d), eQSL
MR0DHQ via MM0DHQ (d), eQSL
MR0DWF via MM0DWF (B), (L)
MR0DXD via MM0DXD
MR0DXH via MM0DXH (B), (L)
MR0EPC via LZ3HI (B)
MR0EQE via MM0EQE
MR0FAL via MU0FAL (B), (L)
MR0FME via MM0FME
MR0FMF via MM0FMF
MR0GCF via MM0GCF
MR0GGB via MI0GGB (B), (L), eQSL
MR0GGG via MM0GGG
MR0GOR via MM0GOR (B)
MR0GUK via MW0GUK eQSL only
MR0GXE via MW0GXE
MR0HAI via MM0HAI
MR0IAA via M0OXO (B), (L)
MR0IDX via MW0IDX (B)
MR0JEK via M0JEK (B), (L), eQSL
MR0JFC via MI0JFC (B)
MR0JGE via MW0JGE
MR0KQU via MI0KQU
MR0LAO via MW0LAO (B)
MR0LDJ via MW0LDJ
MR0LPO via MI0LPO (B), eQSL
MR0MAU via MW0MAU (L), eQSL
MR0MCV via M3CVN (B)
MR0MOD via MI0MOD (d)
MR0MSR via MI0MSR eQSL only
MR0OVL/m via M0OVL (B), eQSL
MR0PGE via M0PGE (B)
MR0POD via MM0POD - no QSL
MR0RDM via MM0RDM
MR0RLD via MW0RLD

MR0RUC via MI0RUC (B), eQSL
MR0RZD via MJ0RZD
MR0SAI via MI0SAI (B), (L)
MR0SGQ via MM0SGQ (B)
MR0SJT via MM0SJT
MR0SMK via MI0SMK (B)
MR0TAI via MM0TAI (B), (L)
MR0TFK via MI0TFK (B)
MR0TMW via MI0TMW (B)
MR0TNX via M0TNX (d), (L), eQSL
MR0TOR via M0TOR
MR0TSG via MM0TSG
MR0TSS via MM0TSS
MR0TTR via MW0TTR (B)
MR0TTU via MW0TTU (B)
MR0TZO via M0TZO (B)
MR0VTV via MM0VTV (B), eQSL
MR0WAG via M3WPI (B)
MR0WAY via M0WAY (B), eQSL
MR0WEI via MM0WEI (B), eQSL
MR0XAF via MM0XAF (no QSL!)
MR0XDX via M0XDX (B)
MR0XPD via M0XPD
MR0XXP via MM0XXP (d), eQSL
MR0XXW via MM0XXW (B), (L)
MR0YAD via MC0YAD
MR0YCQ via M0YCQ (B)
MR0ZAP via MW0ZAP (B), eQSL
MR1AWV via MM1AWV (B)
MR1CCU via MI1CCU (B)
MR3XGP via MM3XGP (B), eQSL
MR3XZP via MW3XZP (B)
MR3YHA via MM3YHA (B), eQSL
MR3YKL via MW3YKL
MR3YLO via MW3YLO (B)
MR3YPH via MM3YPH
MR3YVO via MW3YVO
MR3ZCS via MM3ZCS
MR6AHB via MM6AHB (d), eQSL
MR6AMO via M6AMO (d)
MR6ARN via MM6ARN
MS0INT/p via M0URX (B)
MU/EA1SA via EA1SA (B), (L)
NU2K/KH2 via JA2JWH
OH0B via OH2BH (B)
OJ0/OH2FNZ via OH2FNZ
OK/DH7WW via DH7WW (B)
OL7D via OK1TD (B)
OO9O via ON7SS (B)
OR5EPC via ON4KV

OZ1GML via OZ1GML (d)
OZ1RDP via DL9BCP (B)
OZ2SPACE via OZ7AKT (B)
PA05FOX via PD1WAT (B)
PA99RD via PA bureau
PJ2/N4LZ via N4LZ
PJ2/W8QID via W8QID (B)
PJ7MF via IZ1MHY (B)
PP6DX via PY7RP
PR3A via PY3OZ (B), (L)
PW2D via M0OXO (d)
PY6/PY1JR via PU1KGG (B)
R3XX/3 via RW3XZ (L), (d), eQSL
R70BP via UA3YY (B)
RZ9SFF via UA9SIV
S520SV via S57DX (B)
SD1B/5 via DL8AAV (B)
SD7SUB via SM7EYO (B)
SD7V/2 via DL2VFR (B)
SE2LIY via (L), eQSL
SM/DL1RNW via DL1RNW (B)
SM/OE4PFU via OE4PFU
SM/OH5LID via OH5LID (B)
SM6/EA2TW via EA2TW (B)
SN08DEM via SP9DEM (B), (L)
SN08LOT via SQ9ORD (d)
SN08MZH via SP9MZH (B)
SN08NOB via SQ9NOB (B)
SN08ORH via SP9ORH (B)
SN08XUM/9 via SP9XUM (B)
SN0AK via SP7PFD (B), (L), eQSL
SN0G via SP5PRF (B), eQSL
SN0WFF via SP5X (B)
SN10ISO via SP9KJU (B) or SP9MDY (B) eQSL
SN3R via SP6HEQ (B), (L)
SN5D via SQ5NBK (B)
SO1CC via DL1CC (B)
SO6I via SP6JIU
SO7L via SP7UWL (B), (L)
SO9G via SP9DTE
SP5EWX/mm via SP7IXT (B), (L)
ST2NH via EA7FTR
SU9BN via EA7FTR
SV0XCC/9 via LZ1YE (d)
SV1/LZ1JZ via LZ1JZ (B)
SV3/SM4KYN via SM4KYN
SV8/DK3SJ/p via DK3SJ (B)
SV8/PA0PMD via PA0PMD (B)
SX0A via SV2GWY (B)
SX4ME via SV2HWR (B), (L)

SY2011BAY via SV7BAY (B), eQSL
SY2011JJZ via SV7JJZ
SY2DIO via SZ2RCP (B)
SY7SOG via SV7FSK (B
T48K via DK1WI (B)
T80T via JP1IOF (B)
T88JX via JH1DVG (B), eQSL
T88ZA via JA0BJR
T8YN via JE1SYN
TA0/UA6DX via UA6DX
TC47TCF via TA1CM (B), eQSL
TK/F5BUU via F5BUU
TM0SGF via F6KHS (B)
TM30ARAD via F6KTM
UF6VG via R3DO (ex-RZ3DO)
V25DD via K9UK
XE1/VE7BDI via VE7BDI
XU7DDD via JA2VWG (d)
YP0CD via YO5BFJ (B)
ZD7XF via G3TXF (B)
ZL100IBM via ZL1GWE (B), eQSL

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(*) = new QSL manager
(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) = e-mail request

If you still need a QSL of R10KDR, DQ10KDR, EM10KDR, LY10KDR or ER10KDR
please send your QSL direct to RU6UR.
His address is: RU6UR, Nemova 12-A, 13 Astrakhan, 414028, Russia

QSLs arrived direct: VP8ORK (via GDXF QSL-Service)

Many thanks for contributing to this issue of the DXNL are going to:
Carl Smith (QRZ DX), 425DXNews, OPDX Bulletin, DF6EX (WINQSL), DG7SF, DJ5AV,
DK8JB, DL1SBF, DL7VOA, K2DBK, F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX, NG3K and more.

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http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxmb/2011

Subscribe or unsubscribe to the DXNL mailing list yourself at:
http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxnl

627. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.amateur.*

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-07 06:05:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/recruitment-1-1310018700@panix.com>
Source record: 4267
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/recruitment
Revision: 1.2 2009/11/25 14:41:01
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/

Changes followed by "|".

The rec.radio.info newsgroup, first established in 1993, has been
recently revived by an active moderation team. We are currently seeking
suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.amateur.* (and currently archived
at http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/ ):

radio/personal-intro
Subject: Guide to the rec.radio Newsgroups
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 9 Nov 2001 06:18:17 GMT
Posting-Frequency: 15th of each month

One significant omission, requiring immediate updates, for this article |
is that it does not mention newer amateur radio newsgroups created since |
it was written, including: |

rec.radio.amateur.antenna |
rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors |
rec.radio.amateur.dx |
rec.radio.amateur.equipment |
rec.radio.amateur.homebrew |
rec.radio.amateur.moderated |
rec.radio.amateur.space |

We are willing to provide any technical support necessary to get this
article updated and automatically posted again at a regular interval.
This would include establishing contact with the original maintainer for
any necessary permissions. We would prefer to seek a new, dedicated
maintainer at this time, rather than start auto-posting the original
article ourselves.

For more information about our newsgroup, see:
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http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

628. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.swap

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-07 06:10:00 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/swap/recruitment-1-1310019000@panix.com>
Source record: 4268
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/swap/recruitment
Revision: 1.1 2007/09/29 18:42:57
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide

Changes followed by "|".

The rec.radio.info newsgroup, first established in 1993, has been
recently revived by an active moderation team. We are currently seeking
suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.swap (and currently archived at
http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide/ ):

radio/swap-guide
Subject: Rec.radio.swap FAQ: A Guide to Buying and Selling on Usenet
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 6 Nov 2001 19:25:51 GMT
Posting-Frequency: Monthly

We are willing to provide any technical support necessary to get this
article updated and automatically posted again at a regular interval.
This would include establishing contact with the original maintainer for
any necessary permissions. We would prefer to seek a new, dedicated
maintainer at this time, rather than start auto-posting the original
article ourselves.

For more information about our newsgroup, see:

http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.
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629. MMMonVHF Newsletter 2011-07-07

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-07 10:44:52 UTC
From: MMMonVHF News Mailer <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <201107070727.p677ROSP003191@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 4269
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our lastet NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2011-07-07
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter, once a week (thursday)
from now on - if any special activities will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further detail please be so kind and watch our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you vy welcome for any
input and we do hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
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** SPORADIC E saison, inputs to MMMonVHF and Observation 2011 **

In case of an ES opening on 144 MHz please remember to send all your
QSO in a short Log to MMMonVHF - HOW? Please go to the MMMonVHF forum
www.mmmonvhf.de/minibb/index.php?action=vthread&forum=11&topic=80
and read about our "call for reports". The text will be available
in several languages. or use direct the input at:

http://www.mmmonvhf.de/es.php >>> click on "Send your Report"

Remember please that we are going to publish ONLY 144 MHz Logs - if
we get input for 6m, 4m or 3m reports we do use it for the headline.
As you all know, the most necessary at a SPORADIC E Opening will be
to be at the right time at the right place. As well every of us will
have some "warning" systems for the time between May to August.

SOURCE: Guy, DL8EBW, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

** New beacon transmitting in WSPR mode from EA1 **

Hi all. Let me give you some good news: A new solar powered beacon
is active from EA1 in CW on 144.425 owned by EA1HBX. Also, since July
2nd a new beacon is operative on 432 Mhz in ROS mode. These beacons
are high enough to give surprises.. and we're ready to feed them with
new and better antennas. The WSPR beacon on VHF is now in the right
QRG: 144.489 and has a GPS attached for a better accuracy. All details
here (google translation available): www.ea1uro.com/balizas.html
reports to rst"at"ea1uro.com - 73s Fernando, EC1AME

SOURCE: tnx to Dirk, ON5GS, direct to MMMonVHF

** The 144 MHz EME NewsLetter - Current Issue July 2011 **

Since 2003 DF2ZC publishes the 144 MHz EME NewsLetter. This is
a free service for the EME community. Bernd, DF2ZC, informed us
that the latest edition of the EME-Newsletter is now available
at: http://www.df2zc.de/newsletter - EMENL201107 [1.441 KB] 73
SOURCE: tnx to Bernd, DF2ZC to MMMonVHF

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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DXCC: CU ; Square: HM77 ; FINISHED **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3784

A DL Team (DM1AC, DM1CG, DL9MS) was active in holiday style from
CU2 (HM77ct) on HF and 6m ES and as well 2m EME/TEP. LATEST NEWS
from Gaby, DM1CG, dated 2011-07-06: Log was updated after finishing
operation! In total the Team made 272 QSOs! TX always on ONE Xpol
antenna circular with 1 KW - RX all polarizations at same time!
Antennas are taken down now and group will start to get back to DL...
SOURCE: tnx to Dith, DF7KF, and the Team, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: V31 ; Square: EK55 ; Start: 2011-07-01 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3845

Jeremy, W7EME, back at Belize as V31JA from EK55 - LATEST NEWS from
Jeremy, dated 2011-07-07: Aloha to all: As previously stated, I am
on a mandatory silence 6th thru 8th July on my as a stipulation to
my kilowatt endorsement, instructed by the Belize Public Utility
Commission. We are actually also going to Panama until the 12th now.
So will resume operation on the poorer moon the 13th thru about the
17th off and on. Watch here at MMMonVHF for updates. 21st July
active BL02 /KH6... (http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3844)
SOURCE: tnx to Jeremy, W7EME, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: /MM ; Square: JP91 ; CANCELLED **

Most Wanted JP91 maybe on air on (50 &) 144 MHz MS - cancelled
LATEST NEWS from Aulis, dated 2011-07-06: Very sorry but we must
cancel that trip... SOURCE: tnx Aulis, OH6JW, direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:

http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** 4L1AN on 6m (as well EME) in month july **

Tom K5BM could not be present to help during moonset Monday, because he needed to be with his son who is quite ill. Also for that reason, they had to dismantle the EME station and return early to Tiblisi where better care could be obtained for Tom's son. They are sorry that they were unable to provide additional contacts, but health and safety had to take priority. 4L1AN hopes to be able to obtain additional temporary 6m license approvals in the future after he completes construction of his own amplifier, so future 6m EME operations from 4L may be possible. Many thanks to K5BM and 4L1AN for their tremendous effort and sacrifices to make the first 6m EME contacts from that DXCC!
SOURCE: Lance Collister, W7GJ, via Magic Band EME Group

** JX, JAN MAYEN qrv HF and 50 MHz in July **

Stan, SQ8X, reports that he has received an email from The Norwegian Post and Telecommunications Authority (NPT) granting ham radio license - and permission to transmit from Jan Mayen Island (IOTA EU-022, WLOTA 1454, WFF LAFF-047, Grid Loc. IQ50). JX5O will be a group callsign used during the Jan Mayen International DXpedition scheduled for 6-14th of July 2011. Operators include Stan SQ8X (team leader), Vicky SV2KBS/LA7VPA, Bernhard HB9ASZ, Leszek NI1L, Bjorn SM0MDG, Tom SQ9C, Pete SQ9DIE and Jon TF3ZA.The DXpedition will focus on 30-6 metres, and their main modes will be CW and RTTY/PSK, with some SSB if conditions are good enough to operate as much as they wish to. QSL direct to QSL SQ8X, or use the OQRS. Website: janmayen2011.org/
SOURCE: [dx-world.net] via ICPO Bulletin (01 - 08 July 2011)

** J7 - DOMINICA, NA-101, qrv HF and 50 MHz **

J79XB is the callsign of Mike,VE2XB, on Dominica (NA-101) where he plans to stay for the next weeks starting on Jul 6. He will work on all HF bands and maybe also on 6m. After that Mike plans to activate St. Pierre & Miquelon (FP) in August or September. His QSL route can be found on QRZ.com. SOURCE: DXNL 1735 (Jul 6, 2011)

** Kea Island , KM27, in the Air on HF, 50 and 144 MHz **

Nick, SV1CEI, will be active as SV1CEI/8/p from Kea Island (GIOTA SAS-036, IOTA EU-067, MIA MG-053, WLOTA 1806, Grid Loc. KM27) in July and August. He will operate CW and some SSB, and be be QRV holiday style on the HF bands, and on 6 and 2 metres if conditions

allow. QSL via home call.
SOURCE: [425 DX News] via ICPO Bulletin (01 - 08 July 2011)

** Maldives, 8Q, activated by Cesare, I0WDX on HF and 6m **

Cesare, I0WDX, will be active as 8Q7CC from Furanafushi Island, North Male Atoll, Maldives, between November 2-12th. He informs OPDX that he will be active on 20-6 meters, including the WARC bands, using an Icom IC-7000 into a Cushcraft R6000 vertical antenna. For 40 meters he will try to use an inverted V if he has enough space on his water bungalow. He mentions, "Do not know yet if I will be active on CW and RTTY, how ever, I'll try, but would not incur the wrath of my girlfriend because it's vacation days, hi hi hi. However there is still a long time and I will try to arrange." QSL via his home callsign. Lastly, Cesare states (on Sunday, July 3rd), "This morning I received an E-mail from Mr. Maussouma (from the Ministry of Telecommunications of Male) in which informed me that the call assigned to me is 8Q7CC."
SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1017

** Belize qrv HF and 50 MHz **

Colin, KU5B, will once again be active from Placencia (WW Loc. EK56TM) Belize, as V31UB from 5-10 August 2011, including an entry in the North American CW QSO Party (6-7 August). QRV on 80-6m, 160m possible SSB CW and digital modes. QSL via LoTW or direct to KU5B.
SOURCE: [NG3K] via ICPO Bulletin (01 - 08 July 2011)

** Dodecanese, SV5, qrv HF and up **

Bert spending the holidays with his family on Rhodos from Jun 30 until Jul 10. I will work in CW and SSB on 160m-6m signing SV5/DJ5MN with 100 watts and a vertical for HF and 25 watts and yagis for 2m and 70cm QSL only via the DARC bureau, I don't need your dollars.
SOURCE: DXNL 1734

** Market Reef, OJ0, HF and 50 MHz **

Max ON5UR, Marc ON8AK, Jelmer PA5R and Dervin PD9DX will be active as OJ0UR from Market Reef on 13-20 August. QSL via M0URX, direct or bureau (QSLling instructions at www.m0urx.com). The web pages for the expediton can be found at www.united-radio.be
SOURCE: Sixitalia Weekly

** 5B, CYPRUS, in the Air **

Zoli, HA5PP, will once again be active as 5B/HA5PP during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via HA5PP. There may be some 6m activity outside of the contest. SOURCE: [DX-ENG] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1017

** Andy, N8OFS back in the Caboose on 50 MHz **

Andy N8OFS, writes; Howdy gang... I'll be back in the Caboose for the CQ WW VHF 2011 Contest... Same reliable setup, Kenwood TS-60 to 29.4ft of LMR-400 to the "Dominator" 5/8 wave Vertical @ 29.5ft Parked calling on 52.525 FM Broadcasting Live and Direct from the big Caboose at the beloved AC&J Railroad in EN91or... The only small snag is that again I'll only be able to be on the air for the first 25 out of the 27 total Contest hours. July 16 1800Z to July 17 1900Z SOURCE: tnx to Andy, N8OFS, direct to MMMonVHF

** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php) to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 2359 UTC ...

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The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF - Newsletter Credits & Info
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Our Newsletter is compiled from the input of the USER of the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF and as well by a lot of free usable HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USER who did send us info and News **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/kontact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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630. ARRL Midwest Division Convention & Summerfest 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-07 12:55:31 UTC
From: ARRL Members Only Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20110707122808.22A38205A1@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 4270
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,oma.general,nebr.misc,rec.radio.info

Here is an email from the ARRL Midwest Division Director, Cliff Ahrens,
K0CA about the Division Convention. I hope to see you there!

73, Art K0AIZ
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ARRL Midwest Division Convention & Summerfest 2011
August 5-7, 2011, Cedar Rapids, Iowa

Friday & Saturday, August 5th & 6th
Clarion Hotel & Convention Center - Cedar Rapids, Iowa
525 33rd Avenue S.W., Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52404

Sunday, August 7th at Teamsters Hall
5000 J St. SW, Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52404

Convention Brochure, with Convention Speakers and Forums Lineup,
Registration Form, and Summerfest information:
http://www.arrlmidwest.org/pdfs/2011arrlmidwestconvention.pdf

Convention Lineup by Day

Friday, August 5th
OMAP/BeagleBoard-xm Embedded Computer Tutorial - Covers amateur radio
and SDR applications. Bring your board and laptop.

Saturday, August 6th
Elecraft Kit Building by Craig Rairdin, NZ0R
Class-E Power Amplifiers for QRP to QRO by David Cripe, NM0S
T32CXX Christmas Island DX-pedition by Tom Vinson, NY0V
DX Contest Operation at PJ2T by Rick Heinrich, N0YY
Changing modes, the Evolution of Amateur HF
Voice Communication in the post-WW II Years by Joe Veras, K9OCO
ARRL Forum hosted by Cliff Ahrens, K0CA, ARRL Midwest Division
Director
with Special guest Kay Craigie, N3KN, ARRL President
ARRL Award Field checking of QSLs - Sat. & Sun.
ARRL VEC test session - Sat. 9 AM
The ARRL Lab by Ed Hare, W1RFI
Antennas for DX’ing by Lawrence Stoskopf, N0UU
iHAB - Iowa High Altitude Balloon by Marshall Dias, W0OTM
ISU HAB project by Matthew E. Nelson, KB0MGQ
Youth Forum by Joey Freeland, KD0HFX & Taking it to the Limit by Dave
Blankenship, Venture Crew Advisor
The Top Ten Reasons PropMan™ was Created by Dan Roesler, WD0HOJ
Kit Building Workshop - Sat. morning

Evening Banquet – Keynote Speaker: ARRL President, Kay C. Craigie, N3KN
Wouff-Hong Ceremony - Sat. after banquet

Sunday, August 7th -- 8:00 AM – 1:00 PM
Summerfest 2011 – Eastern Iowa's Premier Hamfest
Teamster's Hall, 5000 J Street SW, Cedar Rapids, IA 52404
Talk-In: 146.745 MHz (-) or 146.52 Simplex
• LARGE outdoor free flea market, plenty of FREE parking.
• Well known vendors include Radio City and WBØW.
• Indoor Tables, in air conditioned comfort, are $10 each.
• ARRL VEC test session at 9:30 AM.
• Vendor Setup August 6th evening and 6 AM August 7th. See http://cvarc.rf.org for details.
• Door Prizes!

Contact the Clarion Hotel directly for rooms.
- Request the ARRL Midwest Convention rate of $90/night by July 22nd, 2011.
- Reservations: 877-949-2992 Fax: 319-362-1420
- Hotel Direct: 319-366-8671.
- For more information see http://www.clarioncr.com

Check the http://convention2011.cvarc.rf.org website for updates and additional details as they become available or contact Barry Buelow, WØIY, at convention2011@rf.org

73, Cliff K0CA

ARRL Nebraska Section
Section Manager: Arthur I Zygielbaum, K0AIZ
k0aiz@arrl.org
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631. TAMIL ACTRESS HOT PHOTOS & VIDEOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-07 15:57:51 UTC
From: SAMARA <jaidatta9247@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <304c66bf-55cc-4625-863d-09f4366f751a@l18g2000yql.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4271

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http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/05/katrina-kaif_22.html
GOOD LOOKING DEEPIKA PADUKONE
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AISHWARYA RAI UNBELIVABLE PHOTO
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TAPSEE RARE PHOTOS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/06/tapsee-rare-photos.html

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http://allyouwants.blogspot.com

632. The ARRL Letter for July 7, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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==> + 2011 SECOND MEETING OF THE ARRL BOARD OF DIRECTORS SET FOR JULY
15-16, AGENDA ANNOUNCED

ARRL policy is made by its Board of Directors. The 15 voting members
of the Board are the Directors who are elected by the ARRL members in
their respective divisions. The Board meets in January and July,
usually in the Hartford area. ARRL members also elect Vice Directors
who may attend the meetings. ARRL Directors and Vice Directors are
volunteers who work hard to represent the ARRL in their divisions, to
represent the members who elect them on policy issues and to conduct
the committee work that is so important to good decision-making. This
month's Board Meeting activities will begin on Thursday, July 14 with
meetings of two standing committees, the Administration & Finance (A&F)
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Committee and the Programs & Services Committee. Each is made up of five Directors and a Vice Director, with the treasurer serving as an additional member of the A&F Committee. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/2011-second-meeting-of-the-arrl-board-of-directors-set-for-july-15-16-agenda-announced>.

==> FCC NEWS: FCC ISSUES CITATION TO CANADIAN COMPANY FOR MARKETING UNAUTHORIZED DEVICES IN US

On July 6, the FCC issued a Citation to New Generation Hobbies of Woodbridge, Ontario, Canada, for marketing unauthorized radio frequency devices in the United States that operate on restricted frequencies. This is in violation of Section 302(b) of the Communications Act and Sections 2.803 and 15.205(a) of the FCC's rules. In the Citation, the FCC advised New Generation Hobbies to "take immediate steps to come into compliance and to avoid any recurrence of this misconduct. As explained [in the Citation] and as provided in the Communications Act, future violations of the Rules in this regard may subject [the] company to substantial monetary penalties, seizure of equipment and criminal sanctions."

The FCC acted in response to a complaint alleging that New Generation was marketing certain video transmitters that operate on restricted frequencies in the 2.4 GHz band. In September 2009, the FCC sent a Letter of Inquiry to New Generation. At that time, the FCC Spectrum Enforcement Division observed that New Generation was marketing two 2.4 GHz transmitters on its website: the LawMate 500 mW 2.4 GHz transmitter and the LawMate 1 W 2.4 GHz transmitter. The Amateur Radio Service is allocated portions of the 2.4 GHz band on a primary basis. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-issues-em-citation-em-to-canadian-company-for-marketing-unauthorized-devices-in-us>.

==> + HAM RADIO IN HOLLYWOOD: ANOTHER HOLLYWOOD BLOCKBUSTER FEATURES AMATEUR RADIO

The summer of 2011 is replete with big movies, ranging from action-adventure flicks to comedies to coming-of-age dramas. And already this summer, Amateur Radio has played a part in not one, but two movies. In Mr Popper's Penguins, ham radio was featured, albeit incorrectly, on the big screen. And now Super 8 -- a film set just outside Dayton, Ohio in 1979 -- uses Amateur Radio in a crucial scene. Super 8 revolves around a group of six middle-schoolers who witnesses a mysterious train crash in the fictional town of Lillian. Soon after the crash, the Air Force arrives and strange things start happening in the small town. The kids, a group of young film makers (hence the title of the movie) begin to investigate the creepy phenomena. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/another-hollywood-blockbuster-features-amateur-radio>.

==> ARRL HOSTS WEBINAR ON AMATEUR RADIO RESPONSE TO HURRICANES

The ARRL will host a webinar from 8-9:30 PM (EDT) on July 7 to present information about the 2011 hurricane season and the Amateur Radio response. This webinar was organized by ARRL Directors N3LLR, K5MC, W4OZK and K5RAV. The program will offer presentations from representatives from the National Hurricane Center and WX4NHC, the VoIP Hurricane Net, the Hurricane Watch Net and the ARRL. Webinar registration is open to all, but will be of particular interest to those amateurs in hurricane-prone areas. If you are interested in emergency communications and hurricane preparedness and response, you are invited to attend this online presentation. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/register-for-upcoming-webinar-on-amateur-radio-response-to-2011-hurricane-season>.

==> + CHECK OUT THE AUGUST ISSUE OF QST

The August issue of QST is jam-packed with all sorts of things that today's Amateur Radio operator needs. From product reviews to experiments to contesting, this issue of QST has something for just about everyone.

When you support your vertical antenna from the top, you open up a lot of possibilities. That's what Bob Glorioso, W1IS, found when he decided to support his monopole antenna from the top and do away with ground radials. Find out how he did it in his article "A Suspended Quarter Wave 40 Meter Wire Vertical Monopole." William E. Johnson, W0MS, takes a new twist on a classic QRP transmitter in his article "A Modified MouseFET Low Power Transmitter." You, too, can build this updated version of a classic HF CW low power transmitter.

Boy Scouting and adventure go hand-in-hand, so it's no wonder that Boy Scout Troop 6 of Monument, Colorado had a blast GeoFoxing in the Rocky Mountains. GeoFoxing combines Amateur Radio Direction Finding -- also called foxhunting -- with geocaching. Assistant Scoutmaster Stu Turner, W0STU, found a terrific way to involve youth in Amateur Radio. Find out how you can do the same in his article "GeoFox Radiosport Rally." Join QST Editor Steve Ford, WB8IMY, as he takes readers along to the 2011 Dayton Hamvention® and the 2011 ARRL National Convention in Plano, Texas. Ford also checks out some of the newest Amateur Radio products that debuted at Hamvention.

QST Technical Editor Joel Hallas, W1ZR, takes a look at the Ten-Tec Model 599AT Eagle HF and 6 meter transceiver in this month's Product Review. He says that this rig "brings together a very good receiver in a compact footprint HF and 6 meter transceiver with minimal menus and controls." Hallas also checks out the Ten-Tec 777 DX PRO headset. He says this headset is "the perfect choice for an operator looking for a comfortable high-quality boom mic headset that can provide fine sounding audio without the need for external equalization."

Nate Moreschi, N4YDU, delivers the results of the 2011 ARRL International DX CW Contest. Calling it "an intense competition," Moreschi said that there were several records broken in the contest, as well as many tight races. For instance, in the W/VE Multioperator/Multi

Transmitter category, the first place team won by only 28 QSOs and 8 multipliers. "Over a 48 hour period, that's just more than half a contact per hour and less than two tenths of a multiplier per hour - pretty close," Moreschi explained.

Of course, there are the usual columns you know and expect in the August QST: Happenings, Hints & Kinks, The Doctor Is IN, How's DX, Vintage Radio and more. Look for your August issue in your mailbox. QST is the official journal of ARRL, the national association for Amateur Radio. QST is just one of the many benefits of ARRL membership. To join or renew your ARRL membership, please see the ARRL web page <https://www.arrl.org/join>.

==> ARRL IN ACTION: WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO LATELY?

This feature is a concise monthly update of some of the things that the ARRL is doing on behalf of its members. This installment -- which covers the month of June -- looks at ARRL Field Day, reviews the ARRL's formal working agreements with served agencies, getting ready for WRC-12, preparing online courses, hosting workshops for utility company employees, seeking input from members regarding VHF/UHF contest participations, reports from the Official Observer Desk and more. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-in-action-what-have-we-been-up-to-lately-35>.

==> + SPACE WEATHER PREDICTION CENTER TO CONTINUE BROADCASTS ON WWV AND WWVH

In April 2011, the Space Weather Prediction Center (SWPC <http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/index.html>) informed the public that as of September 6, 2011, it would no longer broadcast its geophysical alert message <http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/Data/index.html#reports> on WWV <http://www.nist.gov/pml/div688/grp40/wwv.cfm> and WWVH <http://tf.nist.gov/stations/wwvh.htm>. The ARRL has now learned that the SWPC will keep broadcasting these messages that inform listeners of the solar flux, the mid-latitude A and K indices and space weather storms, both current and predicted. Due to listener feedback, the SWPC is considering updating the broadcast; in addition to providing the current daily solar flux at 2800 MHz, the SWPC is considering adding more frequent observations at 2695 MHz. According to the SWPC website <http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/wwv/>. other improvements to the message content will also be evaluated.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "The Sun is shining down <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PCVgxAplRoA>" Cook, K7RA, reports: The average daily sunspot numbers for the past week dropped less than a point -- from 42 to 41.6 -- compared to the previous week, while the average daily solar flux was down more than 5 points to 86.2. The predicted solar flux for the near term is lower than of late, with values for July 7-13 at 84, 82, 84, 86, 88, 90, 92, and then 90 on July

14-17, then 88 on July 18-21. The predicted planetary A index for July 7-12 is 8, 10, 5, 5, 7 and 7, followed by 6 on July 13-18. This is followed by a rise in geomagnetic activity on July 19-24, with planetary A index at 7, 8, 12, 15, 10 and 7. The latest smoothed sunspot number prediction <http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly/pdf/prf1870.pdf> on page 13 shows the numbers for December 2010 through December 2011 slightly lower. Last month's prediction showed smoothed sunspot numbers for that period at 30, 34, 38, 41, 45, 49, 54, 59, 63, 66, 68, 71 and 74. The latest has the values for those same months changed to 29, 32, 36, 39, 43, 47, 52, 57, 61, 64, 66, 69 and 72. The reason that in July we see last December's number change is because the smoothed sunspot number represents an average of data over one year. The data for approximately six months after December 2010 wasn't completely known until the end of June, and each successive month after that contains one more month of predicted data, instead of data that is actually measured. Look for more information on the ARRL website on Friday, July 8. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by Bowling for Soup's Greatest Day <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bowling_for_Soup>.

==> + ARRL RECOGNIZES: KAZIMIERZ "KAI" SIWIAK, KE4PT, WINS JUNE QST COVER PLAQUE AWARD

The winner of the QST Cover Plaque Award for June is Kazimierz "Kai" Siwiak, KE4PT, for his article "Is There an Optimum Height for an HF Antenna?" Congratulations Kai! The QST Cover Plaque award -- given to the author or authors of the best article in each issue -- is determined by a vote of ARRL members on the QST Cover Plaque Poll Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cover-plaque-poll>. Cast a ballot for your favorite article in the July issue today.

==> THIS WEEK ON THE RADIO

This week:

- July 8 -- QRP Fox Hunt
- July 9 -- FISTS Summer Sprint
- July 9-10 -- IARU HF World Championship <http://www.arrl.org/iaru-hf-championship>
- July 10 -- SKCC Weekend Sprint; ARCI Summer Homebrew Sprint
- July 13-14 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

Next week:

- July 16 -- Feld Hell Sprint
- July 16-17 -- DMC RTTY Contest; CWops Mini-CWT Test; CQ Worldwide VHF Contest; North American QSO Party (RTTY)
- July 17 -- CQC Great Colorado Gold Rush
- July 18 -- Run for the Bacon QRP Contest

- July 21 -- NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- July 15-17 -- ARRL Montana State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/montana-state-convention-glacier-waterton-international-hamfest>, Essex, Montana
- July 29-30 -- ARRL Oklahoma State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/oklahoma-state-convention-ham-holiday-2011>, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
- August 5-6 -- ARRL Texas State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/texas-state-convention-austin-summerfest-1>, Austin, Texas
- August 5-7 -- ARRL Rocky Mountain Division Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/rocky-mountain-division-convention-1>, Taos, New Mexico; ARRL Midwest Division Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/midwest-division-convention>, Cedar Rapids, Iowa
- August 20 -- ARRL West Virginia State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-virginia-state-convention-1>, Weston, West Virginia
- August 20-21 -- ARRL Alabama State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/alabama-state-convention-huntsville-hamfest>, Huntsville, Alabama
- August 21 -- ARRL Kansas State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/kansas-state-convention-1>, Salina, Kansas
- August 28 -- ARRL Western Pennsylvania Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/western-pennsylvania-section-convention-1>, New Kensington, Pennsylvania
- September 9-11 -- ARRL Southwestern Division Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southwestern-division-convention-hamcon-2011>, Torrance, California
- September 11 -- ARRL Great Lakes Division Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/great-lakes-division-convention-findlay-hamfest>, Findlay, Ohio
- September 17 -- ARRL Roanoke Division Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/roanoke-division-convention-virginia-beach-hamfest>, Virginia Beach, Virginia
- September 24 -- ARRL Washington State Convention

<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/washington-state-convention-35th-annual-spokane
-hamfest>,
Spokane Valley, Washington

To find a convention or hamfest near you, click here
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Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1769 - July 9 2011

CLOSED CIRCUIT ADVISORY

The following is a closed circuit advisory and is not necessarily for air. I'm Amasteur Radio Newsline Producer Bill Pasternak here to bring you up to date on two important items.

First a big shout out of thanks to all of you who have so far give from your heart through your donations made to the Newsline Support Fund. If you don't take into account the annual expenses that we incur each year in presenting the Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award, we are pretty much OK through about late October. So unless there is some major calamity, of ongoing funding drops to a drizzle, you likely won't hear us making any further general funding requests till years end. And as I've said so many times before, we much prefer to devote this time to reporting the news instead of asking for contributions so that we can continue to bring you the news.

And some more good news. A few weeks ago we announced that we might have to cancel this years Young Ham of the Year Award because there looked to be no viable nominations. Well, once again some of you responded and as a result we now have a small plethora of good nominations for the judging committee to sift through and on Saturday, August 20th, a young ham from somewhere in the United States or Canada will be honored with the Young Ham of the Year Award at a presentation that will be made at the Huntsville Hamfest in Huntsville, Alabama.

The only question right now is weather or not Newsline will be able to send a representative from our Los Angeles headquarters due to the high cost of air fare this year. As noted, thanks to your generosity we have almost enough funds to keep us to near the end of the year. What we do not have, and what we must raise is about $750 to cover staff airfare and hosting the mini banquet for the recipient and his or her family. So once again we are turning to you to help fill that financial void.

As you know, your tax-deductible donations can be made on-line using Pay-Pal. Just go to our website at www.arnewsline.org and click on the button that says "Make A Donation." Or you can send it by regular mail to the address you will hear at the end of this weeks newscast. Whichever way you choose, the all-volunteer staff here at the Amateur Radio Newsline say thank you for believing in us and for supporting the work that we do.

That ends the closed circuit advisory. I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF. Now here is Jim Davis, W2JKD, with this weeks report.

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Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1769 with a release date of Friday, July 9 2011 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Ham radio will help celebrate the birth of a new nation, Malta gives its hams a temporary 500 Kilohertz allocation, Portugal OK's 60 meter operation, and that old light bulb in Northern California celebrates its 110th birthday. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1769 coming your way right now.

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BREAKING DX NEWS: NEW NATION OF SOUTH SUDAN EXPECTED ON THE AIR SHORTLY

Ham radio will be a part of the birth of a new nation. The Intrepid-DX Group and the DX Friends plan to activate the Southern Sudan as a new country almost immediately after it gains its independence from The Sudan on or after July 9th. We have the latest from Amateur Radio Newslines Norm Seeley, KI7UP.

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According to a press release from the DXpedition planners, South Sudan Vice President Dr. Riek Machar Teny has announced that admission of his newly created country as a member state of the United Nations will take place on July 14th. The release goes on to say that the DXpedition plans to be in the nation's capital of Juba and to be ready to start operations right after the South Sudan is granted admission to the UN.

If all goes as expected, the UN Security Council is expected to bring the matter before the General Assembly on Thursday, July 14th. Once through the formal approval process the Southern Sudan is then expected to be the 193rd member nation of the U.N.. And once this happens, the International Telecommunication Union will issue an international telephone dialing code as well as an ITU callsign prefix block within 48 hours.

At airtime members of the two groups report that they are in consultation with representatives of the new Southern Sudan Government, the International Telecommunications Union and the International Amateur Radio Union working on making final arrangements. Once on the air there will be eighteen hams operating 24 hours a day, 7 days a week with seven stations on the air at any given time.

Waiting for this new country to come on the air, I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP, reporting from the other side of the world in Scottsdale, Arizona.

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More on this operation will be posted on-line at www.dxfriends.com/SouthernSudan2011. We will have more DX news for ou later on in this weeks Amateur Radio Newsline report. (Various DX news sources)

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RESTRUCTURING: MALTESE HAMS GET TEMPORARY 501 To 504 KHZ BAND

Malta is the latest country to allocate amateur radio operations at 600 meters. This with word that the latest version of the Maltese National Frequency Plan contains an entry for 501-504 kHz.

However, there are several caveats. Maltese amateur stations using this frequency band shall not exceed a maximum effective radiated power of 10 Watts. They also must not cause harmful interference to any other services operating in the same or adjacent frequency bands.

All transmissions in this band are to be limited to experimental or research work only. The allocation of this spectrum to the amateur service in Malta is valid only through this coming December 31st. (IARU Region 1)

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RESTRUCTURING: PORTUGUESE HAMS GET ADDITIONAL 60 METER FREQUENCY

Portuguese radio amateurs have been allocated an additional frequency at 5 MHz in the 60 meter band. This as the Portuguese telecommunications agency Anacom assigns 5288.5 kHz in addition to the already authorized frequencies of 5371.5 kHz and 5403.5 kHz. All three frequencies are on a secondary non interference basis. Special 60 meter propagation study permits are being issued to Portuguese hams for up to a year. (IARU Region 1)

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RADIOSPORTS: IARU HF WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP 2011 - JULY 9 AND 10

And if you are hearing this newscast before the July 9th and 10th weekend and are wonder what all the activity on the High Frequency bands is all about, then welcome to the 2011 version of the IARU HF World Championship.

The objective of this SSB and CW contest is to contact as many other amateurs, especially I-A-R-U member society headquarters stations, around the world as possible. This, using the 160, 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 meter bands.

This contest is open to all radio amateurs around the world. Complete rules are on-line at arrl dot org stroke iaru-hf-championship. (IARU)

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RESCUE RADIO: SEPTEMBER IS NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH

September 2011 has been designated as National Preparedness Month. This is an annual event sponsored by the Ready Campaign in partnership with Citizen Corps and known as the NPM Coalition. NPM Coalition membership is open to all individuals as well as all public and private sector organizations for free. Numerous ham radio organizations are already members of this group. The objective of National Preparedness Month is to encourage Americans to take simple steps to prepare for emergencies in their homes, businesses, and communities. By joining, both individuals and organizations agree to promote emergency preparedness during September. More information is on the web at tinyurl.com/arn-prepare (NPM Coalition release)
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>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the El Dorado County Amateur Radio Club serving Placerville California.

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ENFORCEMENT: RADIO SUPPLIER CITED BY FCC FOR PROGRAMMING UNAUTHORIZED FREQUENCIES

The FCC has issued an official Citation to Flatcode Communications, Inc. of the Bronx, New York. This for programming into a transmitter frequencies for which the operator was not authorized in violation of section 90.427(b) of the Commission's Rules.

On March 15, 2011, agents from the Enforcement Bureau's Philadelphia Office conducted an investigation and found that Flatcode had programmed radio transmitting equipment for the Sheraton Four Points Hotel in Allentown, Pennsylvania with the General Mobile Radio Service frequency 462.550 MHz for which the Sheraton was not authorized. A representative for Flatcode later admitted to the FCC agent during a telephone conversation that Flatcode programmed the Sheraton's two way portable radios.

Now, in its June 28th release of the Citation, the FCC has said that Flatcode should take immediate steps to come into compliance and to avoid any recurrence of this misconduct. It said that future violations of the Rules in this regard could subject Flatcode to substantial monetary penalties, seizure of equipment, and criminal sanctions. Its added that monetary forfeitures of up to $16,000 for each violation or each day of a continuing violation and up to $112,500 for any single act could be imposed. (FCC)

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RADIO LAW: LIGHTSQUARED VS GPS - ROUND 3

Its round three between LightSquared and the United States users of the Global Positioning system. This as the broadband provider says it will make concessions to the Global Positioning System user community to mitigate any possibility of interference. Amateur Radio Newsline's Jim Damron, N8TMW, has more:

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As previously reported, LightSquared, is the Virginia-based company that hopes to build a nationwide wireless broadband network in spectrum directly adjacent to that used by the Global Positioning Sysytem. And now LightSquared is proposing to modify its network planning so as not to interfere with G-P-S systems.

The company says that it plans to move some of its operations to a different slice of spectrum and to transmit signals at lower power levels. His, to hopefully ensure that its network will not interfere with the Global Positioning System that relies on nearby wireless spectrum.

LightSquared outlined its intentions amid mounting concern that its new network would cripple G-P-S systems used for everything from aviation to public safety to military operations. The announcement follows the recent release of government test results showing that trial transmissions from LightSquared's wireless system interfered with G-P-S receivers used by the Coast Guard and NASA. Also that they caused Federal Aviation Administration G-P-S receivers and similar receivers used by state police, fire and ambulance crews to lose reception.

In January the Federal Communications Commission gave LightSquared approval to build a nationwide wireless network that would compete with super-fast systems being rolled out by AT&T and Verizon. The FCC sees the LightSquared network as part of a broad government push to bring high-speed Internet connections to all Americans. But it also now says that it will not permit LightSquared to begin rollout of its service until all potential interference problems with G-P-S have been solved.

I'm Jim Damron, N8TMW, reporting

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More information on the future of the proposed LightSquared rollout should be forthcoming shortly. (RW)

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RADIO LAW: FCC ISSUES FREEZE ON TV STATION REQUESTS TO MOVE CHANNEL ASSIGNMENTS

The FCC has issued a freeze on TV station requests to switch digital channel assignments. The move comes as the commission starts to contemplate how to reallocate 120 MHz of spectrum from the broadcast band to wireless broadband, and move the remaining broadcasters to make room for that wireless service.

The regulatory agency originally froze channel changes back in 2004 as it set up the first Digital TV table of channel allotments. It then lifted that freeze in 2008. Now it faces another channel-shifting operation to free up spectrum for broadband use. Because it now needs evaluate its reallocation and repacking proposals and their impact on the Post-Transition Table of DTV Allotments, the fCC says that it is appropriate to freeze the acceptance of additional rulemaking petitions to change channels at this time.

The FCC last year began the spectrum reclamation process with a rulemaking proposal on channel sharing. It also touched on reclassifying the broadcast band for shared use by wireless providers, and helping improve VHF Digital TV reception.

In a turn-about from the analog world, it is the UHF, not VHF band, that is prime Digital TV spectrum. This is particularly true in urban areas where UHF's ability to penetrate walls makes it less vulnerable to signal fade when used with indoor antennas. (B&C)

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RADIO ON THE RADIO: HAM NATION AUDIENCE KEEPS GROWING

The audience for the Bob Heil, K9EID, hosted Internet TV show Ham Nation is growing. THius, as the show heads toward its third month on Twit TV. Amateur Radio Newsline's Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, has the latest on this broadband phenomenon:

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Now about 2 months in, "Ham Nation", a netcast on amateur radio, is going strong. I

n case you haven't heard, Bob Heil, K9EID and Gordon West, WB6NOA host the weekly hour long show on ham radio via the TWiT network. TWiT, which stands for This Week in Tech, is an offshoot of the now defunct ZDTV, later known as TechTV and it's lead host, Leo Laporte.

Laporte, also known as the `chief twit", approached Heil about ham radio and the possibility of doing a show after discovering his microphones, which are popular not only with professional musicians, broadcasters and amateur radio operators, but also netcasters and podcasters.

Leo, who is studying for his Amateur Radio license, is no stranger to the hobby. Wayne Burdick of Elecraft and Laporte were roommates way back in their school days, so this bug has been in the back of his head for some time. In fact, the new state of the art TV studios that Laporte is building will prominently feature a ham radio station.

So far Ham Nation has had some pretty impressive guests. Joe Walsh, WB6ACU of Eagles fame wrote and performs the Ham Nation theme song. Larry Junstrom, K4EB, the bass player for the southern rock band 38 Special was a recent guest as well as the super Field Day crew of W3AO, who this year broke a 30 year record for Field Day contacts.

There's something for everyone, ham and non ham in Ham Nation, and from the people I saw in the chat room during the most recent show, amateur radio is getting exposed to a new and exciting audience. One who perhaps before seeing Ham Nation thought of us only as weird guys squirreled away in our basements with old, antiquated gear. As we all know, such is hardly the case, and now a whole new segment of the public is getting to know just how much fun and cutting edge Amateur Radio really is.

You can see Ham Nation every Tuesday at 9pm Eastern, 6pm Pacific. If you miss the live show audio and video archives are available for online viewing or downloading. Point your browser to twit.tv/hn. You'll like what you see.

>From south Mississippi, Don Wilbanks, AE5DW for the Amateur Radio Newsline.

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Ham Nation isn't the only high tech show you might find enjoyable on the Twit network. To see for yourself just take your web browser to www dot twit dot tv. (AE5DW, ARNewsline(tm))

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FORECASTING: SPACE WEATHER PREDICTION TO CONTINUE ON WWV AND WWVH

The Space Weather Prediction Center has changed its mind and will continue offering its service as a part of broadcasts offered by time standard stations WWV and WWVH.

You may recall that back in April the Center announced that it would cease providing the broadcast add-on service effective as of September 6th. That announcement was reportedly greeted with heavy negative feedback from the users of the service who came to rely on these broadcasts for alerts dealing with solar storms mid-latitude A and K indices and the like.

Now, in a news release on its website, the Space Weather Prediction Center says that it is no longer planning to discontinue the broadcast of its synoptic Geo-Alert products on WWV and WWVH and will continue to provide this service for the foreseeable future. It adds that additional updates to the content are underway as a result of the listener feedback process. The full announcement is on-line at swpc.noaa.gov/wwv. (NOAA)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: HAM RADIO FREDRICHSHAFEN ATTRACTS 16,300

The 2011 Ham Radio convention in Friedrichshafen, Germany took place the weekend of June 24th to the 26th as many hams on this side the Atlantic were enjoying Field Day. This annual event has become known as Europe's answer to the Dayton Hamvention in the U-S-A and Japan's famed Ham Fair.

Taking place at a venue on picturesque Lake Constance, this year's Ham Radio attracted 184 exhibitors and 16,300 visitors. Attendees came from all over the world. In addition to the German amateur radio community, other countries represented included Italy, Malaysia, Japan, Qatar the United Kingdom and the United States.

During the event 124 young people were given a demonstration of amateur radio. Some even tried soldering and playing with the Morse code. A video captures the flavor of Europe's largest amateur radio event, narrated in German, is on-line at tinyurl.com/arn-europe-ham (Southgate)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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CHANGING OF THE GUARD: NZART INFOLINE EDITOR ZL2NN - SK

Some sad news to report. World that New Zealand Amateur Radio Transmitters Infoline editor Jamie Pye, Zed-Ll2lNlN, became a Silent Key on Saturday July 2nd following a short illness. His funeral was scheduled to be held on Wednesday, July 6th. In lieu of flowers the family have asked for donations to the New Zealand Spinal Trust, Private bag 4708, Christchurch, New Zealand Charities Commission #CC43195 (NZART)

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ON THE AIR: 2E1EUB TO TAKE TO THE BIRDS FROM RARE GRIDS

U-K satellite enthusiast Paul Robinson, 2E1EUB, will be activating some rare Grid Squares on several amateur radio satellites over the next few weeks. In a post on the AMSAT bulletin board he says that he will drive some 600 miles to the Outer Hebrides where he was to catch a ferry to the island of South Uist, and then moving to Harris and then Lewis Islands.

Robinson says that he will put as much time as possible operating A-O7 mode A and B plus FO29 and several other ham radio birds. This will be a 14 day operation that he hopes will also include several other stops. QSL go to 2M1EUB at his QRZ.com address. (Southgate)

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: STUDYING THE KONDO EFFECT

Science Daily reports that a Princeton University researcher and his international team of collaborators have used lasers to peek into the complex relationship between a single electron and its environment. Amateur Radio Newsline's Michael Grebert, KJ4ZZV is here with the rest of the story:

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The research is being lead by Hakan Tureci who is an assistant professor of Electrical Engineering at Princeton Uniuversity in New Jersey and brings fresh insight to the study of the Kondo problem. This is a phenomenon first observed in the 1930s, when researchers were surprised to find that resistance to electricity flowing through certain metals increases at very low temperatures. Normally, resistance through metals decreases as temperature is lowered, but that was not the case with these metals.

The phenomenon was explained 30 years later by Japanese scientist, Jun Kondo, as resulting from the presence of cobalt or other magnetic impurities in the metals. Scientists have further realized that the Kondo effect results from a relationship between electrons known as "entanglement" in which the quantum state of one electron is tied to those of neighboring electrons, even if the particles are later separated by considerable distances. In the case of Kondo effect, a trapped electron is entangled in a complex manner with a cloud of surrounding electrons.

Researchers have been intrigued by the Kondo effect in part because understanding how a trapped electron becomes entangled with its environment could help overcome barriers to quantum computing, which could lead to far more powerful computers than currently exist.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Michael Grebert, KJ4ZZV, reporting from Music City, Nashville, Tennessee.

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More on this story is on-line at tinyurl.com/kondo-effect (Science daily)

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WORLDBEAT: SARL AND ICASA AGREE ON TESTING COMPROMISE

The South African Radio League and telecommunications regulator the Independent Communications Authority of South Africa have revisited the Amateur Radio Examination Moderation Process.

Right now, at each examination an SARL appointed moderator verifies the examination results, checks that all the marks are correctly computed and verifies that all questions are correctly marked. In a multiple choice examination the answer is either right or wrong. The examiner has no discretion.

There are however at times marginal cases where the candidate scores a very high mark in one section but just misses to score the required minimum of 50% in the other section. It is in cases like this that the moderator will now review the answer papers and makes a recommendation to the Independent Communications Authority of South Africa.

According to the SARL, in the last examination session there were a few marginal cases which were reviewed and recommendations were made to the telecommunications regulator. This in turn resulted in a few candidates now having passed the exam. (SARL)

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ON THE AIR: CELEBRATING THE CENTRAL NEBRASKA BBQ STEAK FRY

On the air. the Central Nebraska Amateur Radio Club will be operating a special event station A-G-Zero-L from 1800 to 2400 UTC daily from July 28 to the 30th. This operation is being held to commemorate the club-sponsored annual hamfest and BBQ Steak Fry held at Victoria Springs State Recreation Area near the city of Anselmo. Frequencies to listen out on are 7.250, 14.055, 14.250 and 21.335 MHz. A special QSL card is available by sending a SASE to AGOL, 8900 Riverdale Road, Plattsmouth, Nebraska, 68048. (KOAIZ)

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ON THE AIR: CELEBRATING THE FIRST FIRE DEPARTMENT IN BRAZIL

Also, be on the lookout for special event station PT155FD to be active between now and July 30th. This operation is to commemorate the 155th anniversary of the first official Fire Department in Brazil. Stations will be using this special call on 40, 20, 15 and 10 meters on SSB only. The QSL Manager for ths operation is PS7AB. Cards can go to him either direct or via the bureau. Electronic QSL's go to ps7ab (at) yahoo (dot) com.

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DX

In DX, A group of operators from Italy are planning to activate Grand Popo, Benin, between August 5th and the 14th. Callsign will be TY1KS. Activity will be on all H-F bands and 6 meters, using 3 three Elecraft K3 transceivers and two Elecraft KPA500 amplifiers. Due to the high demand for this country, the focus will be on the lower bands and the Digital modes, but also SSB and the higher band will be well worked especially during the TEP openings. QSL via IZ8IYX or Logbook of the World.

F6ICX, will once again be on the air as 5R8IC from Saint Marie Island between November 15th and December 17th. Activity will be holiday style operating CW, RTTY, and PSK63. There will be no online log during his activity. QSL via his home callsign as found on QRZ.com.

ZR6DG and ZS6HB will be active as C92DG from the Timbavati Game Reserve in Tofo between 14th and 28th July. Their operation will be on the High Frequency bands only. QSL via ZR6DG.

W1NEK has announced he will be operating portable from Iraq through mid-August. His activity will be voice only his afternoons and evenings. QSL as directed on the air.

Lastly, DL7DF will be on holiday in Kenya between November 20th and December 3rd and plans to be active as 5Z4HW. Listen out for him on 160 through 10 meters using CW, SBB, RTTY, PSK31 and SSTV. QSL via his home callsign, direct or via the DARC Bureau.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: THAT 110 YEAR OLD BULB STILL HAS US IN ITS SPELL

And finally this week, a follow-up to a story that we first aired some ten years ago. Its about a light bulb. A very old light bulb that keeps a Northern California fire station out of the dark. Here's Amateur Radio Newsline's Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, with the details:

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A light bulb hanging in the Livermore Pleasanton California Fire Department has been burning steadily for exactly 110 years.

Lynn Owens, who's in charge of the "light bulb centennial committee", says that how it stays lit remains something of a mystery. He says that it's a 60-watt bulb but it only gives off only about four watts of light. Even so, but nobody knows why it keeps burning.

According to the lamp's website, the bulb is actually a somewhat different style bulb from what other manufacturers of the day produced. It was invented by Adolphe A. Chaillet and made by the Shelby Electric Company. It was donated by Dennis Bernal to the Livermore Volunteer Fire Department and this past June 18th was its 110th year of continuous illumination. This is a fact documented extensively by Guinness World Records.

One possible answer may be the way in which it was constructed. In a 2010 interview with the Daily Mail, bulb protector Steve Bunn ascribed the light's success to good old fashioned engineering. In the Shelby bulb, a coiled filament burned brighter and lasted longer than the Edison bulb -- this as evidenced by the longevity of the Livermore Pleasanton centennial bulb which celebrated its 110th year of nonstop duty back on June 18th.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, a few hundred miles south of the Livermore Pleasanton fire station reporting from Los Angeles.

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According to Owens, scientists from around the world have come to look at the bulb but why its lasted this long is still a mystery. You can visit it vicariously on the world-wide-web at www.centennialbulb.org.

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Jim Davis, W2JKD saying 73 from the central Florida coast, and we thank you for listening.

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WIANEWS - July 10 - VK NATIONAL NEWS

THE BEST NEWS YOU'LL GET ALL WEEK

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WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING July 10 2011.

WIA Directors Ewan VK4ERM, Bob VK5POP and Peter VK3MV join us.

Language experts wanted for IARUMS Monitoring Service.

ARRL Field Day and Bands of Gold.

THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING JULY 10 2011.

Last week I mentioned the lack of WIA news and in particular club news, well
that has drawn from a couple of clubs and old what we called 'divisions' a
hear hear! So now it's up to those clubs to start skiting

A MAJOR item which is a GREAT initiative of theACMA, comes from the VK3 Club
FAMPARC and is written up in the clubs monthly newsletter."

"Mark Tell from the Australian Communications and Media Authority has been busy
conducting a series of face to face presentations with the radio amateur
community. The first presentation was held at the club rooms of the Frankston
and Mornington Peninsula Radio Club and the second presentation at the
Southern Peninsula Radio Club or SPARC.

Each of these presentations included an interesting PowerPoint slideshow
through which Mark explains the important work of the ACMA, each of the

presentations were followed by a questions and answer session where amateurs put their questions to Mark from the ACMA.

These are a series of presentations conducted by the ACMA's Mark Tell, with the next presentation due to take place at the August main meeting of the Eastern and Mountain District Radio Club, it will take place on Friday the 5th of August at the Willis Room, Whitehorse council office Maroondah Highway Blackburn opposite Harvey Norman, arrive at 7:30 with the meeting starting at 8:00pm.

As with all EMDRC club meetings visitors are encouraged"

Peter VK2US wrote to nationalnews@wia.org.au us through the week,

"Not to sure if this is worth a mention but following last weeks broadcast in which I heard of eQSO usage on UHF CB I went looking and hit the ACBRO home page:

http://www.acbro.org/index.htm

Most interesting was the statement:

Finally the final nail in the coffin for ACBRO membership is the new Amateur Licence now called the Foundation Licence which has been in for over 3 years. Now, most of the radio people who really are the true radio lovers have got their Foundation Licence. This entitles them to use an amazing amount of radio spectrum, all of the 80m and 40m band 15m and all of the 10m band as well as the 70cm UHF band and all of the 2M VHF as well although they are limited to only 10 watts it is amazing how far you can get with the right antennas, in fact the whole world. If someone new comes along and is interested in radio then CB is not in the race. Just recently at an ACBRO committee meeting we had 9 people attend and 8 had there Amateur Licence and are all involved in Radio Clubs to do with Amateur Radio."

Personally I'm a big fan of the whole 'F' call as it has livened up the airways considerably. In fact my only complaint is that these guys get 4 letters in their call, an issue for packet to be sure, but they can choose from so many more really cool call signs than us old timers. Like VK4FOUR or VK2FEED or VK8FOOD or 2FISH or 1FOOL or 2FOWL or- Well you get the idea.

(Peter J VERNON VK2US)

Ham radio far from over or out

This is the headline from a special newspaper report on amateur radio that appeared in Thursdays Age Newspaper. The Age is Melbourne's biggest and most popular newspaper with 200 thousand copies in print each day.

The article by Katie Cincotta appears on page 15 and 23 of Digital Life in the green guide section of The Age, contains interviews with Doug Macarthur VK3UM, Jack Bramham VK3WWW, Jim Linton VK3PC, Edward Seeto VK3LIP and Richard Holmes VK3TXD each talking about their experiences with the hobby.

The article begins to explore many facets of he hobby, Doug Macarthur talks about his experiences with moon bounce and the value of amateur radio during bushfires and times of emergency, Jack Braham explains foxhunting and making contact with astronauts on the ISS. The Foundation licence and entry into the hobby is covered by Jim Linton VK3PC and Edward talks about the involvement of amateur radio in his school. The article is well worth a read and GREAT promotion for our hobby.

Well done to all those who were interviewed by Kate and who contributed to the report.

The URL to the web edition of the article is in this weeks news and direct to www.theage.com.au/digital-life/ham-radio-far-from-over-or-out-20110706-1h135.html

(Robert VK3DN)

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The Remembrance Day Contest for 2011, is on the weekend 13-14 August.

The RD will commence at the same time as in previous years, that is 0800 and run until to 0759 UTC the following day.

Although an overwhelming majority of people at the AGM open forum in Darwin supported a revision of the starting time, it was not possible to have a discussion with the contest manager before the rules had to be placed with the publications team in time for inclusion in July Amateur Radio magazine.

With the establishment of the proposed Contest Committee, all contest rules will be reviewed and where practical will be standardised. "

cheers and thanks

Bob
VK6POP
WIA Director

WIA Awards Scheme

Now this is urgent late breaking news which was obviously only made known to the WIA within the past few hours but the WIA has less than a week to find a replacement for the current awards manager!

Mal Brooks - VK3FDSL writing on wia front page news is asking for help on behalf of WIA Director Chris, VK5CP.

"wIA Members and existing Awards Committee Members are invited to register interest in taking over our awards scheme with the Director responsible for the Awards Scheme, Chris VK5CP vk5cp@wia.org.au by 14 July 2011.

The new Awards Manager will work with Eddie VK4AN during a handover period to be determined and take on full responsibilities by 30 August 2011

(or earlier by agreement)."

wia.org.au

Winter in the Shack

Greetings from the WIA, this is WIA Director Ewan VK4ERM, with some winter thoughts.

Now that the chills of winter are here for most of us; yes, contrary to popular belief it does get chilly in VK4; isn't it a good time to get into your shack, check your test equipment, clean the soldering iron and attend to those 'Round To It' amateur radio projects? Especially those that are half completed or not in their final state or enclosure.

How often do we, as radio amateurs, take a design and construction project we set ourselves to the conclusion of the proof of concept phase, park it in a box on the shelf, and look for the next challenge? Well, my hand is up!

We could attend to the completion of those projects and try to resist the temptation of starting a new one that has been niggling our minds for the past months, or longer in many cases. Generally we like to work on our own, cloistered in our shacks, solving the intricacies of design, construction and testing but is this the best thing to do?

Unless you are in an isolated area devoid of other amateurs, there is always the option of inviting one or more amateurs to an evening in your shack to discuss design and construction ideas and then put them into practise. It doesn't have to be confined to your project but can, and perhaps should, include theirs as well. Tea, coffee, biscuits and the mandatory chocolate cake are sure to be welcome during the evening.

And why should we restrict such evenings to other Radio Amateurs of our ilk and vintage, young or old? Such activities are ideal for encouraging those with a budding interest in our hobby to enjoy the camaraderie and learning opportunity our hobby has to offer. Remember the people you introduced to the hobby and encouraged to successfully complete their Foundation Licence? Have you unintentionally abandoned them and their interest? Well, now is the time to re-establish the links and invite them to a Shack Evening with others so they can become immersed in the knowledge and experience of others with the opportunity to ask questions and maybe get some hands on construction involvement.

No other amateurs in your area? Remember the interested local passer-bys who were intrigued by your antenna and asked questions of your hobby? This is your opportunity to invite them to your shack to see it in operation and become involved with what you are designing and constructing, without great technical descriptions.

Put kindling on their smouldering interest and further inflame their Amateur Radio interest. The off-air banter in a shack of like minded people and interested people generates a warm and happy atmosphere where everyone can feel welcome and accepted as they learn about the hobby, and share ideas and

experiences in Amateur Radio.

So, who are you going to invite to your Shack Evening this winter?

This has been Ewan VK4ERM for the WIA Board.

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

Jeff Johnson vk4xjj is walking across Australia to raise Money for NETS
(Newborn Emergency Transport Service).

Jeff is now roughly half way across the country and he is looking for contacts
from stations in the west on 14.090 USB at 0630 UTC.

Jeff will also be on 7.045 LSB at 0730 UTC, Jeff then moves to 14.090 at
approximately 0740 UTC.

Jeff is becoming a weak signal in the eastern states and is looking for support
on these schedule times from stations in the west.

Grahame vk2fa has supplied us with several URLs re Jeff's Walk.

http://www.jeffswalk2.com/

http://www.thankq.net.au/tq_community_netsa/PersonPage.aspx?Ref=P11557/1182

VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news

Club Auction

Liverpool & District Amateur Radio Club Auction, Saturday the 20TH
of August 2011.

Miller Scout Hall, Shopshire Road, Miller. Next to Miller High School open
8:30am, auction commences at 10:30am

Any vendors who wish to participate, please contact the Liverpool Secretary
Garry VK2BR further details.

VK2BR on 0427 063 553
email vk2tsr@bigpond.com

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/
Police Roundup http://www.vicpolicenews.com.au/

The next NERG meeting will be a Home Brew Show'n'Tell night.

The idea is you bring along something you've built, modified or programmed and
get 10 minutes (maximum) to show off your creation, with time to answer a
question or two.

They will have a video camera to display small items up on "the big screen".

Meeting is 14 July, so rummage around the shack and find that old Beer Can antenna, Free energy machine, Kilowatt amplifier, circuit design program, or your most recent Jaycar kit.

(Mark Harrison VK3BYY North East Radio Group www.nerg.asn.au)

July 16 GGREC HAMFEST Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club
Sale of new and used radio & electronic parts and equipment

The Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club members announce that on the 16th July they will be conducting their annual Hamfest at the Cranbourne Community Hall on the corner of Clarendon and High Streets, Cranbourne.

High Street is part of the South Gippsland Highway. Melway 133 K4.

More information can be found at ggrec.org.au.

(wia events)

QNEWS - VK4

Welcome to QNews from VK4WIA. I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP, and I've been thinking.

In January, this year, the Federal Government released a paper seeking comments on having a national regulator for the Not For Profit Sector. This follows work from the Productivity Commission and an election promise.

www.fia.org.au/.../Federal_Government_ScopingStudy_NFPRegulator_...

This week saw a momentous decision from the Federal Court in the action taken by the Australian Securities and Investment Commission against the directors of Centro Properties. It was held in this judgement that directors have a duty to make their own decisions and not just depend on external information, such as auditor's reports.

www.asic.gov.au/asic/asic.../09-202AD+ASIC+commences+proceed...

It is a little hard to determine the full importance of these two acts. It has been suggested that ASIC which has some experience in regulating NFP bodies, would be the right choice to regulate the sector. There is a murky trail of legal precedence from company law through to responsibilities of people engaged in their local incorporated club. However, for me, when putting it together, we can no longer have committee members who just keep the seat warm.

Commonsense says we want people doing their best in running our clubs.

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think....how about you?

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MARYBOROUGH RADIO AND ELECTRONICS CLUB
For more info, call Secretary Kathy Johns 040-939-8853
Email: kathy.johns@bigpond.com
Channel 14 UHF CB call "CQ MERG"

Hello, this is just a reminder that next Saturday the Maryborough West Scout Hall is going to be the scene of a Hamfest.

For the 3rd year running, Maryborough Electronics and Radio Group is hosting the get together for electronics and radio enthusiasts in the Wide Bay.

Food and drink is being provided by the local scout group and both tables indoors and spaces outdoors are still available for the trash and treasure hounds.

David from VK4-ICE Communications has donated a Wouxun dual band H/T for the major raffle and will be in attendance too.

MERG hopes to see you

Wide Bay Hamfest
Scout Hall
Ariadne Street,
Maryborough

Saturday, 16th July after 9 o'clock

For MERG, Inc this is Geoff, VK4ZPP

VK7
local area news :- http://reast.asn.au/news.php
vk7 local news, email vk7regionalnews-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

vK7RNE falls silent.

The wild stormy weather of recent weeks has claimed another victim. VK7RNE, the north-eastern repeater located on Tower Hill, unexpectedly went off the air recently. The cause was immediately apparent to the inspecting ground-crew on its arrival at the scene. The shed that housed the repeater was found lying on its side, along with all its contents, some way down the mountain.

It had literally been knocked off its perch by the wind.

The radio equipment has been recovered but we understand that there are no plans at present to reinstate the repeater.

This sorrowful event thus brings about the close of a chapter in the repeater history of VK7. VK7RNE has long provided a useful service to that part of the State and was a tribute to Paul VK7KPG and his small group that first installed and then maintained the facility over the years. Sadly, some of the group are now silent keys.

Annual licence fee in recent years has been met by the North West Tasmanian ATV Group.

SILENT KEY

Sadly we've heard that News West Guru for many years, Dennis VK6KAD has passed away.

We received the news via his brother in law John VK6KOJ.

It's all a bit sudden. Even though we knew he had been quite sick, he was attending dialysis regularly and he gave no indication that there was any immediate threat.

WIA Director Bob Bristow VK6POP reports

"Dennis John Muldownie, VK6KAD died in Perth on Thursday 30th June 2011.

Dennis was well known and respected in Amateur Radio in Western Australia.

His most widely known contribution was in his role as broadcaster of the WIA National News, and compiler, presenter and broadcaster of the VK6 NewsWest weekly news. Dennis served in this capacity for nine years, until in late 2010 his health deteriorated and he was unable to continue.

Dennis was recognized for his contribution to the WIA news service at the 2010 WIA AGM where he was presented with a President's Commendation.

Dennis had a passion for things military, probably a hangover from his National Service days. Some years ago, Dennis used the NewsWest broadcasts to promote the RD contest, culminating in Western Australia having the best turnout of operators in Australia for this contest. Through his continued enthusiasm, W.A. has been able to maintain its position at the front of the R.D. contest.

Dennis has also been involved for many years in training and assessing people for their Amateur License, and many people have commented on the encouragement and information that he was able to give them.

Dennis has been involved in Amateur Radio in Scouting for several decades, including coordinating JOTA in VK6, and helping provide activities and training for Scouts.

Dennis would always turn out for working bees, repeater re-starts, committees etc, taking positions of responsibility as required. He continued to do so until his health declined to a point where he was unable to do much, except, in his own words, to barrack for those doing the work. Dennis was known for his quick wit and broad general knowledge.

Dennis will be missed in Western Australian Amateur circles, however he will be remembered.

Dennis' funeral is tomorrow, 11th July at 0230 UTC in Perth.

Farewell, Dennis, VK6KAD, silent key."

Another News Man passes.

Jamie Pye ZL2NN - SK

NZART, New Zealand's national amateur radio society, have reported the death of their editor and webmaster, Jamie Pye, ZL2NN.

They say: It is with much sadness we advise of the death of Jamie Pye, ZL2NN, on Saturday 2nd July after a short illness.

Jamie's funeral was held at the Kingswood Funeral Home Upper Hutt on Wednesday 6th July.

NZART Website:
www.nzart.org..nz

EDUCATION YOUTH AND ADVANCEMENT OF AMATEUR RADIO
www.hamcollege.com.au

Amateur Radio Assessments and training

Persons in the N/West Area of VK7 interested in Training and Assessments for all classes of Amateur Radio Licenses are advised that the Club can provide these requirements and much more.

Maybe someone wishes to upgrade. Well the NWT ATVGroup has the appropriately trained personnel with Facilitators from the Radio and Electronics School who can attend to all requirements should candidates so desire.

For more information, please contact Tony VK7AX, or the Club.

Contact details can be found on the Club Web Site or the WIA site under VK7 Clubs.

http://www.vk7ax.id.au/atvgroup/

(Tony VK7AX, President - North West Tas. ATV Group)

A few weeks back we made mention of the great work of our European friends and that of the South African's in promoting a REAL thrust of encouraging youth to our bands.

Hot on the heels of those societies comes news that David W. Brandenburg, K5RQ, of Osprey, Florida is chairing the ARRL Second Century Campaign.

One important focus of the campaign includes the development of a robust national program geared at young people, enabling them to experience and develop skills in scientific and technological discovery through Amateur Radio.

Well done ARRL!

www.arrl.org/news/meet-the-arrl-second-century-campaign-committee

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART and the WW sources of the WIA.

US Federal legislation to ban use of handheld phones and other mobile devices while driving has been introduced in the United States House of Representatives.

According to published news reports, Representative Carolyn McCarthy of New York said the legislation titled the "Safe Drivers Act of 2011" would direct the Department of Transportation to set a national standard to prohibit drivers from using hand-held mobile devices, except in certain emergency situations.

It's unknown whether or not the use of handheld push-to-talk microphones used by two-way radio users such as police, fire, delivery services, CB operators

and hams would be exempted from McCarthy's proposed national ban.

US POWER COMPANIES TO EXPERIMENT WITH NOT HOLDING POWERLINES TO 60 HZ

If you are a United States radio amateur that depends on a power line synchronized clock for logging and other station operations, you might want to look toward buying a stand alone unit that does not rely on the power at your outlet being precisely 60 hertz.

This is because of an upcoming yearlong experiment with that nations electric grid could un-synchronize clocks that use synchronous motors to display the time.

Since 1930, electric clocks have kept time based on the rate of the frequency of the A-C electrical current that powers them. If the frequency changes from its usual 60 hertz rate, clocks run a little fast or slow.

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, is proposing an experiment that would allow more frequency variation than it does now without corrections being made.

The test is tentatively set to start mid month.

tinyurl.com/3h6lfcn and tinyurl.com/3uzut3g

Wireless still safe in Canada

Health Canada disputes claims by the World Health Organization that wireless Internet networks may cause cancer.

"While there is limited evidence that RF energy may cause cancer in humans, it is not conclusive and more research is required," the department said in a statement.

"Health Canada does not plan to update its exposure guidelines based on the IARC classification."

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WEIRD AND WONDERFUL

AMATEUR RADIO AMOUR: DO WE GET BONUS POINTS FOR THIS?

When you think about ARRL Field Day, a few things come to mind:

food, radios, food, antennas, food and friends. And food.

But one couple took things a little bit further when they got MARRIED at their Field Day site.

Kevin Shissler, K1FQ, and Debra Hubbard, N1FQ, love Field Day so much that they decided it was the perfect place to share their love for each other -- and for Amateur Radio.

Wearing their 2011 ARRL Field Day shirts, they tied the knot at the Field Day, swapping the 20 meter band for a band of gold.

And as an aside, In April 2010, N1FQ donated 60 percent of her liver to A co-worker Jan Watson, and now Jan (a HAPPY Jan) had her chance to return the favour --

She officiated the wedding.

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2011

Aug 13-14 WIA Remembrance Day Contest

Aug 20-21 WW I.L.L.W.

Oct 22 WIA Jack Files Contest

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January VK Ross Hull Memorial VHF UHF Contest

March 17-18 VK JOHN MOYLE MEMORIAL FIELD DAY

June Long Weekend (vk4 time) VK Shires Contest.

Radiosport fans it's winters biggest HF competition:

The IARU HF World Championship:

This 24 hour long contest is the ww highlight of the HF contesting season, affording plenty of opportunities to work DX from all around the globe on CW and SSB, as well as make QSOs with many IARU officials and Member-Society club stations.

"The IARU HF World Championship is one of Radiosport's unique events," explained ARRL Contest Branch Manager Sean Kutzko, KX9X. "It's the only major contest that uses International Telecommunication Union zones as part of the exchange, and the only contest that gives special multiplier status for IARU Member-Society stations and IARU officials."

The IARU HF World Championship runs 1200 UTC Saturday, July 9 through 1200 UTC Sunday, July 10.

www.arrl.org/news/the-iaru-hf-world-championship-coming-to-a-radio-near-you

The RSGB are active using 'GR2HQ'

Finland 20m SSB IARU HQ station OH2HQ

Although no word from WIA on any Australian involvement, the Luxembourg HQ station is on-the-air for IARU World HF Championship.

HQ station, LX0HQ, and there are two other LX0HQ stations on the air from two different locations during the contest:

LX7I
LX1TI

7 Japan Amateur Radio League HQ stations in various regions of Japan are on the air during the 2011 IARU HF Championship.

8N1HQ 15 meters CW Kimitsu City, Chiba
8N1HQ 160 meters CW, 10 meters CW Minato Ku, Tokyo
8N2HQ 80 meters CW Mihama Town, Chita Gu, Aichi
8N3HQ 40 meters CW, 10 meters SSB Kobe City, Hyogo
8N3HQ 20 meters CW Miki City, Hyogo
8N4HQ 80 meters SSB, 40 meters SSB, 15 meters SSB Okayama City, Okayama
8N8HQ 20 meters SSB Iwamizawa City, Hokkaido

International Lighthouse & Lightship Weekend heats up

In yester-year the coastline had lighthouse protection, now well surpassed by modern satellite navigation.

The radio amateurs operating portable from those locations, on the third weekend of August helps keep the spirit of the lighthouse alive.

Several countries with a relative small coastline do surprisingly well, by activating as many of the accessible lighthouses as possible.

Of those countries that relied heavily on lighthouse protection on the past, Australia remains in the lead with 49 followed by the USA on 45, but usual leadership contender Germany has only 38 entries so far.

More than 300 entries are expected for lighthouses and lightships from now onwards with around 50 countries to be involved.

The Illawarra Amateur Radio Society has advised that "Lighthouses of Australia", a non-profit organisation which aims to create a higher profile for lighthouses, will be in attendance to relight the old diesel powered Point Perpendicular Light for VK2AMW.

For full details and on-line registration for the weekend of August the 20th and 21st check the website ILLW.NET which has been recently been revised and well worth a visit.

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

DX on 1.8MHz

Most people would not regard 1.8 MHz as a DX band.

The majority of operators who are active on the band may never have heard a DX station there.

ZS1REC, has just proved them wrong.

He has received a DXCC certificate for proving that he has contacted more than 100 countries on the band, only the fifth South African and the first ZS1 to achieve the milestone.

ZS1REC operates from a small city lot, just a quarter wavelength in diameter. He uses wire antennas and modest power. However, a shrewd understanding of propagation and a lot of perseverance make up for the modest station.

4W6A will be QRV from Atauro Island (IOTA OC-232), Timor-Leste (East Timor),
from 16 to 26 September 2011. 10 to 160 metres CW, SSB and RTTY.
QSL manager is M0URX, direct via the bureau, or LoTW.

BROADCAST MONITORING SWL AND SCANNER NEWS

Townsville V8 info is available on the web at tarc.org.au

The Townsville Amateur Radio club has again put together a great
Team Frequency Listing for the 2011 V8 Supercars Townsville Event.

Government reaffirms 2015 analogue shutdown date

The UK Government appears to be committed to the 2015 date for the switch-off
of all national analogue AM and FM broadcast stations.

In the recently released Digital Radio Action Plan they say:

The Government recognises the industry desire to reduce the burden of
dual-transmission through an early switchover. There are also benefits to
consumers of a quicker transition to digital radio and the certainty this can
bring, including a reduction in the price of digital receivers through greater
economies of scale.

The Action Plan supports a switchover date of 2015 as a target which all parts
of the industry can work towards.

Read the Digital Radio Action Plan version 4 at
http://www.culture.gov.uk/publications/8218.aspx

(southgate)

INTRUDER WATCH - ENFORCEMENT ZONE

Region III IARUMS Coordinator Peter Young VK3MV

VK IARUMS reflector email to subscribe intruders@wia.org.au

INTRUDER NETS
Friday 0730 UTC 7.065.5 with VK4CEU David.

Amateur exclusive frequencies where any non-amateur signal is definitely an
intruder.

Amateur HF Spectrum world wide
7.050 to 7.100
14.000 to 14.250
14.250 to 14.350 No broadcasters
21.000 to 21.450
24.890 to 24.990
28.000 to 29.700

The WIA monitoring system is looking for amateurs, or their family members and
friends that have linguist skills. While receiving monitoring reports of
intruders on to our HF bands, is very helpful, some phone communications are
in foreign languages that once identified can assist with the location and
possible identification of the intruder.

So if you have skills particularly in Asian or Middle Eastern languages and dialects we would like to hear from you.

Please connect the WIA Monitoring System Coordinator by email to
vk3mv@wia.org.au
or by following the links on the WIA website under "Members Services" for more details.

I'm Peter Young, VK3MV for the WIA National News

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ATV (Every pixel tells a story) - Video
arvideonews.com
hamradiotube.com
youtube.com
qdg.org.au

W5KUB TO NETCAST 2011 HUNTSVILLE HAMFEST

Tom Medlin, W5KUB, says that he will once again be netcasting live from the 2011 Huntsville Hamfest in Alabama on August 20th and 21st.

This is a large Hamfest that pulls many people from not only the South-Eastern states but also across the entire United States. As is usual, Tom says that he will have prizes for his viewers.

He adds that as this is an all indoor Hamfest at the famed Von Braun Centre, it should have perfect connectivity to enable him to stream the event with what he terms as great quality video.

Toms netcast from the Huntsville Hamfest complete with ongoing chat-room will be carried live at w5kub dot com

(arnewsline)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- CW
FISTS Club - East Asia www.feacw.net
FISTS Club - Australasia www.fistsdownunder.org
FISTS Club - UK & Europe www.fists.co.uk
FISTS Club - Americas www.fists.org

Giant Morse Key reappears

On the 6th August 2011 a Giant Morse Key constructed by 2e0dit will reappear at ASTROFAIR 2011 Sidmouth, Devon.

This is a key to be seen to be believed! It's on the web at
http://projects.exeter.ac.uk/nlo/Astronomy_Fair~EN.php

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

AMSAT-VK UNOFFICIAL HF Net.
2nd Sunday each month.
April through October 1000 UTC 3.685 MHz
November through March 0900 UTC 7.068 MHz

ARISSat-1 delayed until August?

Alexander Samokutiaev, flight engineer of the International Space Station's expedition 28, informed about the planning for the upcoming Russian EVA in his blog in Roscosmos web.

According to Russian cosmonaut, the EVA is slated for August, pending the launch of the shuttle scheduled for July 8.

Alexander will work outside the ISS with his colleague Sergey Volkov. The cosmonauts are to perform several ISS RS refurbishing tasks, as well as to launch small satellite Kedr.

Russian cosmonauts onboard the International Space Station switched on small spacecraft Kedr on April 12, in order to commemorate the jubilee of Yury Gagarin's mission.

Small spacecraft Kedr developed under the RadioSkaf experiment bears the name adopted by Yu.A. Gagarin call sign in his historical flight, namely Kedr. The satellite's signal will be transmitted at radio amateur frequency of 145.95 MHz. Kedr has radio amateur call sign RS1S.

RadioSkaf is implemented in the framework of UNESCO's student space education program.

Kedr will transmit different signals, images, and recorded talks of famous Russian Scientists.

REWIND

Wanted.

Technical information or any personal recollections of the PMG radio stations linking Stanley in Tasmania to Tanybryn near Apollo Bay, operational in the 1960s.

Please contact Winston VK7EM.

03 6437 2582 or E mail wnickols@westnet.com.au

Winston is in the process of collecting information on this early radio link that provided a back-up role for an under-sea telephone cable between Tasmania and Victoria.

The building in Stanley was commonly known as 'The Green House' and is now the kiosk for 'The Nut' chairlift.

He remembers being shown over the station in the 1960s (by Reg Bulman VK7RL, Frank Richelme, both SKs).

It seems to have operated around 40Mhz and used rhombic antennas on top of 'The Nut'. The Victorian station was at Tanybryn near Apollo Bay.

If any amateur remembers these stations and could provide information this would form a valuable record of an historic radio link.

SOCIAL SCENE

2011

Jul 16 VK3 Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club Hamfest
Cranbourne Community Hall 10am (secretary@ggrec.org.au)

Jul 16 VK4 Maryborough Electronics and Radio Group "Wide Bay Hamfest"
West Scout Hall, Ariadne St, Maryborough 8:30am.
secretary@merg.org.au

Jul 31 VK2/3 Riverina Field Day 10am at Lavington Scout Group Hall.

Aug 7 VK2 Lismore region - SARCFEST

Aug 28 VK2 Blue Mountains amateur radio club's annual WINTERFEST
andrewvaughan230@gmail.com

Sep 11 VK3 SADARC Comms Day at St Augustine's Hall Shepparton 10am.

Sep 16-18 VK4 NQ Amateur Radio Convention Date Set Townsville

Sep 23-28 R3 Region 3 ARDF Championship Bendigo VK3
http://r3.ardf.org.au/

Sep 30-Oct 2 VK4 Central Highlands Amateur Radio Club AGM at Camp Fairbairn
CONTACT Secretary Gordon, (vk4kal@wia.org.au)

Nov 20 vk5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society Hamfest
Goodwood Community Centre, Rosa St Goodwood at 0930.
Visit www.ahars.com.au for contact details

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15TH IARU REGION 3 CONFERENCE hosted by V.A.R.C. in Ho-Chi-Minh City, Vietnam.

JAN 23-FEB 17 YEAR 2012
World Radio Conference WRC-11 Geneva 23rd January TO 17th February 2012

FEB 26 VK2 CCARC WYONG FIELD DAY

MAY 3-18 VK5 YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

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to submit audio read "how to submit items" in the weekly news page on
wia.org.au

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelyhood of it being
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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-08 15:00:23 UTC
From: Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk
Message-ID: <20110708150003.7138633C69@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4277
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 10th July 2011

The news headlines:

* Olympic tests on 70cm

* Satellite Beginners Workshop

* Railways on the Air 2011

Following the first tests in June, the RSGB has now received an update that additional tests for the Olympics affecting 70cm will take place in the Weymouth and Portland area between Wednesday 20 July and Saturday 13 August. These are expected to take the form of spot frequency transmissions in the range 431 to 432MHz, as well as a small number of telemetry channels in parts of 432, 433 and 436MHz. All amateurs are requested to respect these tests and not interfere with them. Information is also available at www.rsgb.org/olympics.

AMSAT-UK will be holding a Satellite Beginners' Workshop at 4pm on Friday 29 July to teach newcomers how to get started in amateur radio space communications. With some satellites you can communicate using little more than a standard dual-band FM handheld. Others use SSB or CW and permit intercontinental DX communications using the VHF/UHF bands. The Beginners' Workshop will be run by Dave, G4DPZ and Carlos, G0AKI and takes place at the Holiday Inn, Guildford, GU2 7XZ. Look for the RSGB GB4FUN vehicle in the car park. Details are on the AMSAT-UK website www.uk.amsat.org.

Railways on the Air 2011 will take place on the weekend of 24 and 25 September. As last year, the suggested frequencies for the event are 3.65, 7.12 and 14.12MHz, but participants are requested to avoid any interference with RSGB news reading. Anyone is encouraged to register if they are working an historic railway site, it doesn't have to be a famous one or indeed one operating trains, just a site that has a railway heritage. Registration and general enquiries can are through the website www.rota.m0php.net.

The National Hamfest will take place at the Newark & Notts Showground again this year on 30 September and 1 October. The RSGB & Lincoln Short Wave Club are pleased that the ARRL are attending from the USA again this year. Joining them will be the German companies Spiderbeam, Tecadi and Czech company Mastrant as well as all the major manufacturers and dealers in the UK. Advance tickets are available from the National

Hamfest website, www.nationalhamfest.org.uk.

In June 2011 the Portuguese administration Anacom assigned 5288.5kHz in addition to the already authorised frequencies of 5371.5 and 5403.5kHz on a secondary and non interference basis. The special propagation study permits are being issued for a year.

The first provisional programme for the RSGB Convention is now available on the RSGB website. Taking place at Horwood House near Milton Keynes over the weekend 7 to 9 October, the lecture programme is well underway. You can see the confirmed lectures on a wide range of subjects from low frequency to light communications, which will be updated as more talks are confirmed. Check out www.rsgb.org/rsgbconvention. The Royal Naval Amateur Radio Society has launched its new website. All amateurs and anyone with an interest in maritime radio, especially those who have served or are serving in the Royal Navy, Royal Marines and other navies throughout the world, are invited to visit the site at www.rnars.org.uk. The site is under continuous improvement and visitors are invited to suggest additional features to enhance the site. This can be done on the home page using the link under the main photograph.

The team from Wakefield and District Radio Society will be QRV from the Holy Island of Lindisfarne, which is IOTA reference EU 120, off the Northumberland coast, from 15 to 18 July. They will be using the callsign GB1HI. Transmission times will vary and, as it qualifies for IOTA, will utilise the IOTA frequencies between 6 to 80m wherever possible, plus or minus QRM. As well as SSB it is hoped to do some data modes. The QSL route is via M0OXO and all information is available on QRZ.com. Visitors are welcome but please bring your licence and a club card wherever possible. The team will be sited on the approach road to the castle.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

Today, 10 July, the Cornish Radio Amateur Club's 48th Mobile Rally will take place at Penair School, Truro, Cornwall, TR1 1TN. Doors open at 10.30am and admission is £2. There will be trade stands and a Bring & Buy. Details from Steve on 01209 844939.

The McMichael Rally and Boot Sale will take place on 17 July at Reading Rugby Club, just off the A4 east of Reading. There is free car parking and admission is £2. Traders and special interest groups will be in attendance and a car boot sale area is available. The gates open at 9.30am. Details from Pete, G8FRC on 01189 695697.

QRP in Country will take place on 17 July at Upton Bridge Farm, Long Sutton, Langport TA10 9NJ. There is still plenty of space available for those individuals or Clubs who would like to put on a display or have a stand. The Bath Buildathon team, led by Steve Hartley, G0FUW, will be supervising construction and George Dobbs, G3RJV will be attending and commenting on a `Show & Tell' display, so please bring along lots of

homebrew things for all to see. Rob Mannion, G3XFD, Editor of PW, the RSGB and other QRP personalities will be there. Entry is free and details can be found at www.walfordelectronics.co.uk.

Northumbria Amateur Radio Club is holding a Bring and Buy sale on 23 July starting at 10am. Everyone is very welcome to come along. If anyone is interested in selling items details should be forwarded to the club secretary Roy, G0AXJ by email to roymccluskey@hotmail.co.uk or telephone 0741 2659 150 as soon as possible. For full details please visit the NARC website, www.g4aax.org.uk where you will find appropriate links associated with this event.

Bletchley Park's annual Polish Day takes place on Sunday 17 July. It will celebrate the important contribution made by three Polish mathematicians for their work on the breaking of Enigma. Bletchley Park will also be remembering other Polish contributions and involvement in World War. The day will include Polish dancing, food and displays, themed talks and a Spitfire fly-past by the Battle of Britain Memorial Flight. Now for the news of special events

Pontefract & District Amateur Radio Society is operating GB0PLF on 10 July from Pontefract Town Centre for the Liquorice Festival. On 16 and 17 July the club will put GB1AVR on the air for the Ackworth Vintage Rally, operating from Watertower Field, Ackworth.

Borders Amateur Radio Society will be holding a special event station at Birgham Village Fete, located in the village playpark on 16 July. Operating on the HF bands and 2m on CW and SSB, the callsign will be GB4BBR.

Sutton Coldfield Radio Club is hosting a special event station GB4MVF on 16 July at Middleton Village Fete, Church Lane, Middleton B78 2AW from 2pm till 5pm. Further information from Rob Bird on 01827 288483. Visitors are welcome.

And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

Andy, P29CS is at present active as YJ8A on the island of Efate in the DXCC entity of Vanuatu. This one counts as OC-035 for the Islands on the Air award programme. He is there until 17 July and QSLs go via M0URX.

Dmitrij, RW6AML will be on Waya Island, Fiji until 17 July. He will be active as 3D2ML on both CW and SSB. QSLs go to his home callsign.

Malcolm, GM3TAL is taking part in the Scottish Scouts New Horizons expedition to Malawi until 25 July and plans to be active as 7Q7MH from the Malawi National Scout Campsite at Makwawa. Look for activity on 20, 17, 15, 10 and possibly 6 metres, using CW and SSB. QSL via G0IAS, direct only. The website for the expedition is at www.7q7mh.org.

Dante, IK5ASN will be active as 9A8ASN from the island of Cres, which is IOTA reference EU-136, from 12 to 30 July. He will be on 20 and 40

metres SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via his home callsign, preferably using the bureau.

Now the contest news

This weekend, it's the IARU HF World Championship, which finishes at 1200UTC today, the 10th. The UK HQ station GR2HQ will be active and looking for as many QSOs as possible, on as many bands and modes as possible, with as many people as possible. You don't have to be taking part in the contest to call GR2HQ; the operators will be delighted to work you and also pass you around the bands and modes, to help you work towards one of the free certificates that are available. The exchange is signal report and ITU zone, which for the UK is 27.

Tuesday 12 July is the 432MHz UK Activity Contest from 1900 to 2130UTC. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

13 July sees the SSB leg of the 80m Club Championship take place between 1900 and 2030UTC. The exchange is signal report and serial number. Sunday 17 July sees the Low Power Contest taking place from 0900 to 1600UTC. Using the 3.7 and 7MHz bands, CW only, the exchange is signal report, serial number and power. Also that day, from 1000 to 1600UTC is the 70MHz trophy. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

And now the solar factual data for the period from the 227th of June to the 3rd of July, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on the 4th of July.

For the first six months of 2011 there was only one day when the solar disc was spotless, that was on the 27th of January.

Solar activity was very low except for the 3rd when the only C class solar flare of the period took place which increased activity to low. Solar flux levels varied between 86 and 89 units and the average was 87 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 3rd was 100 units, that's two units down on last week. The year started with the 90 day solar flux average at 84 units and then increased steadily to peak at 110 units at the beginning of May. Since then levels have declined sharply to 100 units. X-ray flux units averaged B1.1 units and varied little day to day. Geomagnetic activity was quiet every day except for the 1st which increased to unsettled levels with an Ap index of 13 units. This was in response to a small coronal hole. The average for the period was Ap 6 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds increase from 320 kilometres per second to 450 by the 1st. Particle densities increased to 15 particles per cubic centimetre on the 1st, the remaining days densities were low. Bz varied between minus 2 and plus 5 nanoTeslas on the quietest day and between minus 10 and plus 8 nanoTeslas on the most disturbed day.

VHF Sporadic-E was reported daily up to 70MHz and some locations enjoyed a good opening to the Caribbean and South America on the evening of the 30th and a smaller one on the 1st. A few stations

reported a Scottish-type aurora on the afternoon of the 1st.

And now the solar forecast. This week the slightly more active side of the Sun is expected to be looking our way. Without the appearance of any large active sunspot groups, solar activity is expected to be at low levels on some days. Solar flux levels should be around the 100 mark throughout the period. No influence from any coronal holes is expected this week so geomagnetic activity should be quiet every day. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 21MHz for the south and 18MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows are expected to be around 13MHz. Paths this week to India should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 20MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 15MHz. The best time to try this path from the UK will be between 1200 and 1800 hours. Sporadic-E should take place on some days with openings up to 144MHz possible. As always the favoured times for Sporadic-E are mid mornings and early evenings, but not exclusively.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your

transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS On Monday 11 July Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is having a picnic and operating by the canal at Saul Junction. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548478, daytime.

On Monday 11 July South Birmingham Radio Society is painting the shack. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Monday 11 July South Normanton Alfreton & District Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night. Details from A Lawrence, 2E0BQS, by email to adylawri@btinternet.com.

On Monday 11 July Stratford Upon Avon District Radio Society is having a barbecue and a night on the air. Contact G0CHO, on 01608 664488.

On Tuesday 12 July Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 12 July Eagle Radio Group is having a talk on the Lincolnshire Integrated Emergency Service. Details from Terry, G0SWS, on 01507 478590.

On Tuesday 12 July Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is on the air and invites people to join in on 2m from home. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Tuesday 12 July Mid-Warwickshire Amateur Radio Society is having a direction finding activity with John, M0JDB. Details from Don, G4CYG, on 019 2642 4465.

On Tuesday 12 July Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a Hamfest committee meeting at Stafford Park. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Tuesday 12 July Worcester Radio Amateurs Association is holding an open meeting, to which all are welcome. For more information email Rich Moles, 2E0MOL, via secretary@m0zoo.co.uk.

On Wednesday 13 July Bolsover Amateur Radio Society is having a DF test night. Details from Alvey Street, G4KSY, on 01246 827135.

On Wednesday 13 July Lincoln Short-Wave Club is starting an antenna workshop on constructing homebrew antennas for HF, VHF and UHF. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

On Wednesday 13 July Midland Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting and training classes. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 01214 229 787. On Wednesday 13 July South Kesteven Amateur Radio Society is having a questions and answers evening where specialists will do their best to answer any questions on radio related topics. Contact Nigel, M0CVO, on 01476 402550.

On Wednesday 13 July Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a debrief on NFD and checking scores etc. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday 14 July South Birmingham Radio Society is having training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Friday 15 July Coventry Amateur Radio Society has the third round of the G2FDC 2m DF Trophy. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777363.

On Friday 15 July South Birmingham Radio Society is having a construction evening. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Saturday 16 July Lincoln Short-Wave Club continues its antenna workshop and is putting GB2CWP on the air at East Kirkby. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

On Saturday 16 July Sutton Coldfield Amateur Radio Society is running a stall in the village hall for Middleton village fete, postcode B78 2AW. More information from Robert Bird, by email to spirit.guide@hotmail.co.uk.

On Sunday 17 July Hinckley Amateur Radio Society is taking part in the Low Power Contest. Details from John, M0JAV, on 07836 731544.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND On Monday 11 July Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club Come is on the air and having a natter night. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 0191 477 0036.

On Monday 11 July Bolton Wireless Club is having a talk on walking the Pennine Way by Tom, M1EYP & Jimmy, M3EYP. For details, send an email to boltonwireless@gmail.com.

On Monday 11 July Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having a practical evening with G3PHO to make your own balun. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 11 July Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on oscilloscopes by Mick, G4EZM. Details on the web at www.tcars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 12 July Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is meeting at the Old Post Office public house. Contact Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341317.

On Wednesday 13 July Hambleton Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on valve theory by Tony, G8FLV. More information from Tony Wilson, G3MAE, on 01609 881530.

On Wednesday 13 July Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the 80m CC SSB and watching a DVD. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240573. On Thursday 14 July Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air and having a club night. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 0787 608 5631.

On Thursday 14 July South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is holding an antenna Clinic. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 0161 969 3999.

On Thursday 14 July Wakefield & District Radio Society is on the air and holding a committee meeting. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563117.

On Friday 15 July East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is on the air. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Saturday 16 July Wakefield & District Radio Society commences its 3 day DXpedition to Holy Island. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563117.

On Sunday 17 July Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the Low Power Contest. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240573.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND Greenisland Electronics Amateur Radio Society has announced that it is not meeting on Monday 11 July. The club will be meeting on the 1st and 3rd Monday of the month for the remainder of July and August.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday 12 July Kilmarnock & Loudoun Amateur Radio Club is having a club night. Contact Graham, MM3GDC, by email to mm3gdc@btinternet.com.

On Tuesday 12 July Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having an operating evening. Details from Norman, on 07740 946192.

On Thursday 14 July Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is closed. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663.

On Saturday 16 July Borders Amateur Radio Society Borders will be running a special event station at Birgham Village Fete. More information from Danny, 2M0CDO, on 01890 882850.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA A reserve GB2RS newsreader is needed to assist with reading the news at 1900 hours on 145.525MHz FM in the Chislehurst and Crayford area of North Kent. A reader is also required at 2000 hours to read via the 70cms Bromley repeater GB3OK on 430.900MHz FM. Volunteers need to be members of the RSGB and should contact the GB2RS News Manager Gordon Adams, G3LEQ, on 01 565 652 652 or e-mail gb2rs@ntlworld.com.

On Sunday 10 July Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society is at the Scouts' Donkey Derby. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 020 8502 1645.

On Monday 11 July Coulsdon Amateur Transmitting Society is having a talk on Radio Susy by John, G8MNY. Details from Steve Beal, G3WZK, by email to secretary@catsradio.org.

On Monday 11 July West Kent Amateur Radio Society Club is holding an EGM and a natter night. More information from Les, G6UBM, by email to westkentars@googlemail.com.

On Tuesday 12 July Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720815.

On Tuesday 12 July Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is having a club net night. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Tuesday 12 July Harwell Amateur Radio Society has its summer DF hunt. Contact Malcolm, G8NRP, on 01235 524844.

On Wednesday 13 July Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting at Danbury Village Hall. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Wednesday 13 July Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society invites members to bring their own radio equipment along. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday 13 July Harwich Amateur Radio Interest Group is holding a Scrap Heap Challenge with Matt, 2E0XIS and MOZZO. Details from Kevan, 2E0WMG, on 07766 543784.

On Wednesday 13 July Havering & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a barbecue at Fairkytes Arts Centre. More information from John, M0UKD, on 07890 222111.

On Wednesday 13 July Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is having an informal and construction evening pls taking part in the RSGB CC SSB contest. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898678.

On Wednesday 13 July South Essex Amateur Radio Society is putting its HF station on the air on SSB, CW & Data. Contact Norman, M0FZW, on 01268 692776.

On Wednesday 13 July Southgate Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the introduction of digital cordless phones by David, M0XDS. Contact David Sharp, M0XDS, by email to david.sharp1@tesco.net.

On Wednesday 13 July Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a discussion evening. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816684.

On Thursday 14 July Bittern DX Group is having an informal Club meeting at Pinewood Park Leisure Club. Details from Linda, G0AJJ, on 01692 404154. On Thursday 14 July Echelford Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on the GB3VHF story by Chris Whitmarsh, G0FDZ. Contact John, G4GSC, on 01784 451898.

On Thursday 14 July Edgware & District Radio Society is watching The Spies who lost The Battle of Britain. More information from Mike, G4RNW, on 0208 950 0658.

On Thursday 14 July Horsham Amateur Radio Club is having a social evening at The Royal Oak, Wineham. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk.

On Thursday 14 July Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a club night at shack. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564242.

On Thursday 14 July Reading & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on radio at the London 2012 Olympics by Tom Grady, G6IGA. Details from Pete, G8FRC, on 01189 695 697.

On Friday 15 July Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a radio night. Contact Peter, G4AKG, on 01444 239371.

On Friday 15 July Wey Valley Amateur Radio Group is having a club night. Details on the web at www.weyvalleyarg.org.uk.

On Saturday 16 July Bittern DX Group is at Banningham Village Fete. Details from Linda, G0AJJ, on 01692 404154.

On Saturday 16 July Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society is holding its annual summer get- together at Aylmers Farm, Old Harlow. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 020 8502 1645.

On Saturday 16 July South Essex Amateur Radio Society is operating GB2IYC for the Island Yacht Club fun day regatta. Contact Norman, M0FZW, on 01268 692776.

On Saturday 16 July Sutton & Cheam Radio Society is operating special event station GB4MVF at Middleton village fete, postcode B78 2AW, from 2 until 5pm. More information from John, G0BWV, on 020 8644 9945.

On Sunday 17 July Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is attending the McMichael Car Boot Sale at Sonning, near Reading. More details from

Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Sunday 17 July Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the RSGB Low Power Field Day. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564242.

On Sunday 17 July Newbury & District Amateur Radio Society is participating in the Low Power Contest. For more information contact Rob, G3LMW, on 01635 862737.

On Sunday 17 July Norfolk Amateur Radio Club Radio has an informal family day by the seaside at West Runton North Norfolk, including taking part in Low Power Field Day. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898678.

On Sunday 17 July Reading & District Amateur Radio Club is running the McMichael Radio Rally at Reading Rugby Club, Sonning. Details are on the web at www.radarc.org.

On Sunday 17 July South Essex Amateur Radio Society is operating G4RXE at Canvey Railway and Model Engineering Club. Contact Norman, M0FZW, on 01268 692776.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST On Sunday 10 July Cornish Radio Amateur Club is running the Cornish Rally at Penair School. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844939.

On Monday 11 July Exeter Amateur Radio Society is having a club night at the Moose Centre. More information from Nick, on 01363 775756.

On Tuesday 12 July Mid Somerset Amateur Radio Club is having a barbecue with beer, natter and a bring and buy sale. Contact Nick, M6NJB, on 01749 346320.

On Tuesday 12 July Plymouth Radio Club is having a demo of slow scan pictures over HF and VHF onto a laptop. Details from Chris, M0ZCP, on 07834 767 161.

On Thursday 14 July Cornish Radio Amateur Club is having a workshop evening. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844939.

On Thursday 14 July South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on thermionic valves. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695471.

On Thursday 14 July Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having an activity night. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317750.

On Thursday 14 July Yeovil Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by G3MYM on propagation, band by band. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk.

On Friday 15 July Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

On Sunday 17 July Bristol RSGB Group is running a Bring and Buy at G3PCJ'sQRP in the Country, Long Sutton, Langport. Details from Robin, G3TKF, on 01225 420442.

On Sunday 17 July Taunton & District Amateur Radio Club is attending `QRP in the Country. Contact William, G3WNI, on 01823 666 234 for more information.

NEWS FOR WALES No news items have been received for Wales this week.

638. SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 10 JULY 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-09 19:00:13 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <20110709190006.1ABC333C69@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4278
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 10 JULY 2011

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. PLEASE NOTE: for audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail. Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 and 3,695 MHz SSB.

In the news today:

HABEX A SUCCESS REPORTS TEAM

ANOTHER HOLLYWOOD BLOCKBUSTER FEATURES AMATEUR RADIO

DURBAN RTA TO FEATURE AN UPDATE ON ARISSAT

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting news items.

HABEX A SUCCESS REPORTS TEAM

The High Altitude Balloon Experiment launched from the Klerksdorp Airfield on 2 July was a great success. The balloon lifted off shortly after 08:00 CAT and headed in an easterly direction. All payload systems operated successfully with all the chase vehicles being able to track the APRS packets being transmitted from the respective units. During the early part of the lift, the balloon averaged an ascent rate of 16,2 km/h slowing to a more pedestrian speed of 11 km/h for the remainder of the flight. Horizontal ground speeds peaked at 183,59 km/h with a final altitude recorded on ZS6ERB-9 of 33 661 m.

Overall the launch was a success with the team very happy with the results. There are some issues to be rectified and the team will be back in the not too distant future to test those. The launch was part of the Klerksdorp Hamfest activities.

The payload consisted of 4 independent units. First in line was a controller board which was specifically designed and built by the HABEX group. The controller is able to accept a combination of either 8 inputs or outputs in either digital or analogue mode. Also built onto the board is its own APRS tracking unit and PIC unit which can

communicate with ground stations via an on board VHF radio.

Next in the payload string was a second APRS tracking unit and Cross Band repeater which was used extensively during the flight for both team contact as well as general contacts. Below the repeater was a CW beacon transmitting on 7,020 and lastly a video camera with a third APRS unit.

The main objective of the 2 July launch was to establish that the APRS components being used on the controller board functioned properly at altitude. In previous flights, the GPS unit stopped operating around 12 000 m due to restrictions in its operating altitude.

Once the controller has proven itself, various experiments can be taken to altitude without the additional weight of back up APRS units which have been used in the past.

More information, photographs and a video can be found on www.habex.za.net.

ANOTHER HOLLYWOOD BLOCKBUSTER FEATURES AMATEUR RADIO

Super 8, a film set just outside Dayton, Ohio in 1979 -- uses Amateur Radio in a crucial scene. The story revolves around a group of six middle-schoolers who witness a mysterious train crash in the fictional town of Lillian. Soon after the crash, the Air Force arrives and strange things start happening in the small town. The kids, a group of young film makers (hence the title of the movie) begin to investigate the creepy phenomena.

One of the kid's dad is Deputy Lamb. After the Sherriff mysteriously disappears, Deputy Lamb takes over and holds a town-wide meeting to help allay the fear. One woman thinks that all the strange goings-on are the work of the Soviet Union. But when Deputy Lamb calls on Mr McCandless to ask a question, the man complains that he is hearing strange transmissions on his amateur radio. As soon as Mr McCandless mentions amateur radio, the residents at the meeting just ignore him.

But when Deputy Lamb privately questions Mr McCandless, he tells the deputy that he can no longer listen to 13,201 (no reference is made to kHz or MHz) due to the strange noises he is hearing. Deputy Lamb mentions this to another deputy, and that deputy says he can bring in his scanner and voice inverter from home so they can monitor the frequency. After the rigs are set up, the deputies overhear vital information about what the Air Force is trying to hide.

While credit has to go to Super 8 set decorator Fainche MacCarthy for finding a radio of the right era, the "scanner" that the deputy brings in is a Heathkit Seneca VHF-1, a 2 and 6 metre CW and AM transmitter. Introduced in 1959, this rig complemented Heathkit's TX-1 Apache transmitter, RX-1 Mohawk receiver and KL-1 Chippewa linear amplifier.

Super 8 premiers in South Africa at Sterkinekor cinemas on 29 July 2011. To watch a trailer visit http://www.sterkinekor.com/#/trailer/3125/Super 8/.

DURBAN RTA TO FEATURE AN UPDATE ON ARISSAT

The programme of the Radio Technology in Action Symposium scheduled for Durban on 30 July will include an update on ARISSAT, the replacement of SuitSat 2. ARISSAT is expected to be launched from the International Space Station at the end of July or early August during a spacewalk by the Russian Cosmonauts on the ISS. Eddie Leighton, ZS6BNE, will present on RaDAR, a presentation that attracted a lot of interest at the RTAs in Cape Town and Port Elizabeth. In the technology slot John Willescroft, ZS6EF, will talk about FPGA's and their application. The full programme is available on www.sarl.org.za, select RTA from the left hand menu.

NEW MEMBERS

The SARL welcomes the following new members: ZSL1028, Hendrik du Plessis, ZS6XXX, Andries Nortje and ZSL1029, Nico Coetzee.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

707 Members have thus far renewed their membership. Membership became due on 1 July 2011. Members are urged to pay their fees as soon as possible. If making a bank transfer or bank deposit please ensure that you indicate your name and callsign. We value your continued support.

COMPETITION NEWS

ZS4 SPRINT RESULTS UPDATED

The ZS4 Sprint results made available last week has been queried and updated by the competition committee of ZS4SRK. Congratulations to Pieter Human, ZS6PA, for the third place which he now occupies due to his confirmed 62 points.

RESULTS OF THE TOP BAND CONTEST held from the 23 - 27 June 2011.

It is still clear that amateurs do not read the contest rules before taking part in contests. Apart from wrong call signs, some did not change frequency after making a contact.

8 logs and 1 check log were received. Stats from the logs show that 43 stations were on the air. No contacts were made from Div 3. There were 6 stations that operated CW and SSB.

The results are as follows

1st ZS6LH - Lukas Holtzhausen 145 points 2nd ZS6UT - Ed Willers 127 points 3rd ZS6PVT - Phillip van Tonder 118 points

The winner of the Lucky draw prize is Keith Liddle, ZS6AGF.

Congratulations to the winners. The full results will be published in HF Happenings.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is expected to be at very low to low levels. Sunspot 1 243 is producing B-Class and C-Class flares as it continues to rotate across the visible solar disk in the northern hemisphere. A couple of new sunspots have formed towards the northeast limb and one of these was numbered 1 245 on Thursday. There is not yet a chance for strong solar flares around this region.

For the people doing their own frequency predictions the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be less than 25.

With the winter here 20 m will provide the best opportunities for DX followed by 30 m. There will be little chance of 15 m openings.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

16 July - 3rd leg of SARL QRP Competition. 27 July - 4th leg of SARL Club Competition. 30 July - RTA in Durban. 07 Aug. - SARL HF Phone Competition. 09 Aug. - SARL YL Sprint. 21 Aug. - 3rd leg of SARL Digital Competition. 28 Aug. - SARL HF CW Competition.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 750 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 18:30 CAT on 3 230 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by George, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening, 73.
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========== Message Ends ========== To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp.

639. NZART Headquarters Infoline SPECIAL Issue 28s

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-10 04:24:14 UTC
From: Alan Wallace <alan@wallace.net.nz>
Message-ID: <001c01cc3eb6$f27fe620$d77fb260$@wallace.net.nz>
Source record: 4279
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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NZART Website: <http://www.nzart.org.nz> www.nzart.org.nz

Jamie Pye ZL2NN, Silent Key

Saturday 2nd June 2011

First licensed as ZL2TGP in 1966, became ZL2NN in 1970. Jamie had many achievements throughout his life in amateur radio, to name a few:

Locally:

- Member of the original design team for the first Mt Climie VHF Repeater

- Upper Hutt Branch Secretary in 1974

- Awarded the first "Branch 63 Merit Award" for the design, construction and commission of the Mt Climie 10 Metre Beacon

- Proposed and Constructed a 6 Metre Beacon

- Elected Branch President in 1980

- Throughout the 80's tutored many radio classes and held a 100% pass rate.

- Made Life member of Upper Hutt Branch

Nationally

- Elected to NZART Council 1983 - 1993

- Secretary to first Frequency Management Working Group (FMWG) forerunner of FMTAG

- Continued to produce many repeater and beacon maps and band plans for Call Book

- Responsible for several major revisions of the Basic Radio Training Manual

- In 2001 after a severe accident, becoming wheelchair bound he continued in administrative duties for NZART

- Awarded Life membership of NZART in 2005

- Appointed as Editor of HQ Info-line in 2006

- Appointed as Webmaster in 2008, a position he held until his passing

- Moderator of NZART Reflector

- Produced all certificates awarded to amateurs in New Zealand

- Maintained the Who's Who Directory of NZART Council & Officers

Internationally

- Appointed IARU Overseas Liaison Officer in 1981

- Member of the IARU Region 3 committee

- Attended many IARU conferences

- IARU Region 3 Beacon Coordinator

- Editor & contributor of many IARU papers

- Developed monitoring software for the IARU Beacon programme

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To quote Terry Carrell ZL3QL another of the IARU committee.Jamie in his usual way and on so many occasions pulled the team together with his firm stance for the Association and his humoured approach to tasks.

Jamie not only greatly contributed to amateur radio, but passionately enjoyed his hobby. He and his XYL the late Gael ZL2SZ attended many NZART and VHF conferences. He was active with mobile operations both HF and VHF. Jamie was a keen enthusiast for the original Galbraith Frequency Counter, and modified it very early to use TV subcarrier for frequency locking accuracy.

On a number of occasions Jamie won the Frequency Measuring Contest and was involved with organising this event.

Jamie is survived by his son Jim ZL2PU, and daughters Elsa and Jan, who also held listener calls in their earlier years.

Jamie a great colleague, friend and amateur, you gave so much to this hobby and will be sadly missed. I thank you for your commitment and dedication and join with many others in celebrating the many wonderful memories you leave us.

73's & 88's

Debby ZL2DL

640. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 10th July 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-10 20:00:13 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20110710200003.977BD33C69@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4280
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 10th July 2011

Contests in July

Just two clubs were heard during the VHF/UHF Field Day last weekend: Network Southern Area Radio Experimenters Club and Dundalk Amateur Radio Society. A number of individual call signs were also spotted during the contest.

The Islands On The Air contest takes place from 12:00 UTC on Saturday 30th July to 12:00 the following day. There is normally plenty of support for this contest from EI and GI stations. We know that Ark EI9KC and friends are planning to operate from Great Blasket Island for the contest and we understand that a number of other offshore island activations are also planned; we would be pleased to hear more details of these for inclusion in future news bulletins.

There is a somewhat unusual contest on Sunday 17th July - the RSGB Low Power Contest. Contest entrants can use a maximum of 10 Watts, and operation is on CW (of course!) on the 40 metre and 80 metre bands. The contest runs from 09:00 to 16:00 UTC, with a one-hour break from 12:00 to 13:00 - presumably for a well-deserved lunch. This contest has attracted a few entries from EI and GI in recent years.

Have a look at www.irts.ie/contests for links to these and other contests.

South Dublin Radio club.

Tuesday 28th of June there was a demonstration of the usefulness of a spectrum analyzer at South Dublin Radio Club. An explanation of how such an instrument could be used for tuning filters and checking the level of harmonics was given with the help of various club members. While such an instrument may not be in the budget of the average person, access to such an instrument, even an older version can make kit building and homebrew much easier.

Mayo Radio Experimenters Network

MREN will hold their annual radio rally on Sunday November 20th 2011. More details from www.ei7mre.org.

GI HF Conference

The West Tyrone Amateur Radio Club (WTARC) Omagh are holding a HF Conference on Saturday 20th August 2011. This Conference comes following the very successful DigiCon 09 Conference back in September 2009.

A range of speakers from around GI, EI and G will be in attendance to share their various perspectives on aspects of HF operation. There will also be in attendance Traders such as, Tyrone Amateur Electronics (TAE) and JBT (Jim Bob) along with exhibits from the RSGB and the IRTS.

The Event is supported by Practical Wireless, TAE, JBT, IRTS and RSGB. So come along for what will be a Fun Day Out for all the family. The town of Omagh has a range of top class shopping along with a wide range of other tourist attractions
http://www.omagh.gov.uk/culture_leisure_and_tourism/

We look forward to seeing you there. For details of the Venue etc go to http://wtarc.co.uk/GIHFConference.aspx

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NOAA / Space Weather Prediction Center

SWPC is no longer planning to discontinue the broadcast of its synoptic Geo-Alert products on the WWV and WWVH radio stations. SWPC plans to continue this service for the foreseeable future.

Additionally, updates to the content of this product are underway as a result of the feedback process. For example, in addition to providing the current, daily solar flux at 2800 MHz, we are evaluating adding more frequent observations at 2695MHz. Other improvements to the message content will also be evaluated. Stay tuned to this site for the latest status on these updates.

For additional comments or questions, please email us at swpc.wwv /at/ noaa.gov.

Launch of Astra 1N satellite postponed until late July

SES has announced that the launch of its new Astra 1N satellite has been postponed due to an anomaly that occurred during the final launch count-down on 1 July, 2011. It is intended to first provide interim replacement capacity at the orbital location of 28.2° East. The satellite will subsequently be moved to 19.2° East.

DX News

UA9YAB is QRV from now until 18 July as JT0YAB in Mongolia. For those chasing the Worked All Zones Award it is worth noting that Mongolia is in Zone 23 which is one of the rarer zones. In addition the prefix JT0 is one of the rarer prefixes from JT-land.

The island of Nauru in the central Pacific is not often heard on the bands. This coming week Pekka OH2YY will be active as C21YY until 20 July. He will use SSB only and QSLs go via his home call.

Dave ZR6DG will be in Mozambique from 14-28 July and will sign C92DG. He plans to be active on the bands as time allows. QSL info is via his home call.

The unusual callsign E76ARDF will be in use from now until 20 July from Bosnia-Herzegovina. This is in connection with the 6th Balkan Amateur Radio Direction Finding Championship. It is expected that 120 amateurs from 9 countries will take part in the event.

Another one for the prefix hunters is PT155FD which is commemorating the 155th anniversary of the founding of the first Brazilian Fire Department in Rio de Janeiro. The station will be QRV till 30 July and QSLs go via PS7AB.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

641. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1018

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 3rd-July, through Sunday, 10th-July there were 222 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5U, 5V, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A2, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HK0/m, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J3, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH3, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T32, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V4, V5, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VP2V, VP5, VP6, VP8, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZF, ZL, ZL7, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

6V7, SENEGAL (Possibly C5). Luc, F5RAV, will once again be active next year (2012) from La Somone between February 25th and March 6th. He will be operating from Jean-Francois, 6W7RV, QTH as 6V7T. Activity will probably be the same as last time -- on SSB and PSK31, and on 160-10

meters (including 17 and 12m with a dipole only). He will also once again be in the French REF SSB Contest (February 25-26th) and the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 3-4th). QSL via only direct to his home callsign. See details on QRZ.com. Also, visit his BLOG page at: http://f5rav.free.fr ADDED NOTE: Luc will also try to be active as C56/F5RAV (or possibly another callsign) from Banjul, The Gambia (C56), between the two weekends (February 27th, and March 3rd, 2012) with some other operators from Europe.

9H, MALTA. Operators Tommy/DL8KX and Andy/DD8ZJ will be active as 9H3KX from Gozo Island (EU-023, MIA MM-004, WLOTA 0046) between October 8-14th. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL via DL8KX, by the Bureau or direct.

9Y, TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO. Jim, N6TJ, will once again be active as 9Y4W during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via DL4MDO.

CQ73, PORTUGAL. Members of the Algarve STAR DX Team will be active as CQ73O between July 11-17th during the Faro International Moto Meeting. Activity will be on all bands and modes. Operators mentioned are Luis/ CT1CQK, Jose/CT1EHX, Toze/CT1GFK, Mike/CT1IUA, Anderson/CT2IUK, Lili/ CT2KAL and Pedro/CR7ABW. QSL via CT1EHX. For more info, pictures and online log, go to: http://algarvedx.com

E5, NORTH AND SOUTH COOK ISLANDS. Bill, N7OU, informs OPDX that he will be active from the following this year:
Southern Cook Islands - From Rarotonga Island (OC-013) between October 17th and November 7th; as E51NOU; CW only; on
80-10m; during his spare time as work allows;
QSL via N7OU.
Northern Cook Islands - From Manihiki Atoll (OC-014) between November 8-22nd; callsign TBA; CW only; on 160-10m;
Single-Op DXpedition; focus on EU; QSL via N7OU.

EJ3, IRELAND (IOTA Op). Members of the Galway Radio Experimenters Club (EI4GRC) and the Shannon Basin Radio Club (EI2SBC) will be on air from Inishbofin Island (EU-121) for the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st) as a Multi-Op/Mixed-Mode/Low-Power entry using the callsign EJ3Z. This is their second year of joining forces for this contest. Inishbofin is a small island 9km off the west coast (53.37 North - 10.14 West). On the days leading up to the contest, members will be active using their own callsigns on HF and VHF; also watch out for EJ4GRC. Inishbofin Grid Sq. is IO43VO. Operators mentioned are Pat/I9HX, Niall/EI4CF, Anthony/EI6GGB, Mike/EI2EO, Tony/EI3HA, Fergus/EI6IB, Ronan/EI8IH, Brian/EI8IU, Mark/EI6JK, Des/EI5GT, Tom/EI3ER, Adrian/EI7DMB, Michael/EI4AL and Enda/EI2II. For more information on the island, see: http://www.inishbofin.com

GS, SCOTLAND (Lighthouse Op!). Geoff, G0PFH, will be heading to Scotland to activate a trio of lighthouses between July 25-29th. Geoff will be activating the following ARLHS SCO lighthouses utilizing the Halifax club callsign GS2UG: Killantringan Lighthouse (SCO-111)

Port Patrick Lighthouse (SCO-177)
Southerness Lighthouse (SCO-223)
Geoff is uncertain as to the order the lighthouses will be activated, but the preliminary information is available on QRZ.com under the callsign GS2UG. This info will be updated as his plans become firm. Please be sure to read and follow the QSL instructions.

IOTA NEWS.....
EU-031. Operators John/IK8LIU, Francesco/IK8WEJ, Vincenzo/IZ0FKE, Oreste/IZ8EDJ, Aurelio/IZ8EGM, Rosario/IZ8KNW, Dario/IZ8LKL, Fabio/IZ8OJG and Giuseppe/IZ8UZF will be active as IC8L from Licosa Island (IIA SA 001, ARLHS ITA 089, WAIL CA 020, WLOTA LH 3342) on July 24th. QSL via Aurelio, IZ8EGM.

EU-052. Operators Panos/SV3DCX, Kostas/SV8BUS, Michalis/SV8GKE and Pantelis/SV2HWR will be active as SZ8L from Meganisi Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st) as a Multi-Op/ Mixed-Mode/High-Power entry. QSL via SV8GKE.

EU-081. A French-Belgium group will be active as TM5SM from Saint Marcouf Island (WLH LH0060, DIFM MA0001) between August 11-15th. Operators mentioned are Jean-Bernard/F4RTE, Jean-Claude/F5IL, Jacques/F5JY, Jean/F5NKX, Denis/F5RJM, Alain/ F6BFH, Benoit/F8PDR and Francois/ON4LO. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via F5RJM, direct or by the Bureau.

NA-067. Operators Karl/W4CHX, Marty/W4MY and Paul/AA4XX will be active as AA4XX from Harker's Island, NC, during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st) as a Multi-Op/All-Band (80-10m)/Mixed-Mode entry. QSL via LoTW.

NA-143. (Not NA-145 as mentioned in OPDX.1017) Joe, K5KUA, will be active as K5KUA/5 from Galveston Island (USI TX001S, Galveston County, Texas) between July 29th and August 1st. He will participate in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st) as a Single-Op entry. Activity will be on all HF bands, propagation permitting. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct.

NA-154. Operators Barry/VE1TRI, John/VE1CDD, Alan/VA1MM, Fraser/VE1WO and Robert/VE1PQ will be active as VC1Z during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st) as a Multi-Op/Mixed-Mode/High-Power/ 24-Hrs entry. QSL via VE1CDD.

NA-070/
NA-232. Yuri, N3QQ, announced this past week that the St. Matthew Island (NA-232) operation is back on for 2011. Yuri has managed to team up with Mike Horn, well-known South African and Swiss explorer, whose vessel is now in Kodiak. Yuri is planning to arrive in Dutch Harbor on July 14th. Tim, NL8F, is expected to join them, as well as Yuri, UA9OBA. Activation is expected to take place between July 19-22nd, depending on Mike's schedule

and the weather. For more details and updates, watch:
http://www.na-234.com
For more info on Mike Horn and his 4 year Pangaea Expedition,
see: http://www.mikehorn.com
ADDED NOTE: The NA-070 operation is now called off due to the
change of plans.

OC-142. (Update) Operators Paul/VK4FPDW, Derek/VK4MIA, Mike/VK4QS and
Graham/VK4FGCC will be active as VI4FI from the Sandy Cape
Lighthouse (AU0043) on Fraser Island during the International
Lighthouse-Lightship Weekend (August 20-21st). Activity will
be on all HF bands "SSB ONLY" from 80-10 meters. Suggested
frequencies are:
80m - 3600 kHz (For VK Foundation & Standard Licences)
3795 kHz (For The World)
40m - 7180 kHz
20m - 14260 kHz
17m - 18145 kHz
15m - 21295 kHz
12m - 24945 kHz
10m - 28495 kHz
All frequencies will be +/- 5-10kHz in case of QRM. QSL via
VK4MIA, direct (see QRZ.com), direct or by the Bureau (NO eQSL).
Visit their Web page at: http://www.sandycape2011.com

SA-035. Members of the Caracas DX Group will be active as YW5LR from
Los Roques Islands (SA-035) between July 13-18th. Activity is
in celebration of the Venezuelan Navy Day (July 24th). The 15
team operators will be on all bands and modes. QSL via DM4TI.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (July 11-17th)....
Jul 11 AN SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS
Jul 12 AN --------------------
Jul 13 AN BN - Below Normal
Jul 14 AN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Jul 15 HN LN - Low Normal
Jul 16 AN-HN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Jul 17 HN DIS - Disturbed
VDIS - Very Disturbed

GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

N2, UNITED STATES (Lighthouse Op!). Members of the Old Barney ARC will
be operating as N2OB from the Barnegat Lighthouse (USA-039) on Long
Beach Island (NA-111), NJ, on August 6th, from about 1300-2100z. Rain
date is August 7th. There will be two stations set up with activity
primarily on 20 and 40 meters SSB. QSL via N2OB.

NCDXF PRESS RELEASES.....
NW6P RETIRES - Glenn Johnson, W0GJ, NCDXF Vice President, sent out the following on July 4th: "Effective immediately Tom McShane, NW6P, has resigned as a director and the secretary of NCDXF. Tom has been on the board of directors and its secretary for over 15 yrs. Tom suffered a serious stroke on January 25, 2011, and has been recuperating since then. Tom felt that his stroke rehabilitation would be a full time job for a number of months. The NCDXF board and officers wish Tom continuing great success in his recovery. He will be missed."

SOUTHERN SUDAN - Glenn Johnson, W0GJ, NCDXF Vice President, sent out the following on July 6th: "The Northern California DX Foundation (NCDXF) is pleased to announce a major grant to the Intrepid DX Group <http://www.intrepid-dx.com/> and the DX Friends <http://www.dxfriends.com/>
who have joined together to activate the new entity of the Republic of Southern Sudan. Licensing is imminent and operation could begin in the next few days.
<http://dx-world.net/2011/press-release-south-sudan-dx-friends-intrepid-dx-group/>"

OA4, PERU. NODXA member Byron, KF8UN, will be in Peru between July 22nd and August 16th, and plans to be active as OA4/KF8UN. He states that he plans to work 20 meters, devoting August 8th, to amateur radio, but will be on casually at other times. Byron will check in as often as possible with the YL International Single Sideband System Net on 14332 khz. He will also try to operate mobile when possible. QSL via his home callsign.

OH0, ALAND ISLAND. Eric, SM1TDE, will be active as OH0/SM1TDE from Eckero in the Aland Islands (EU-002) group between July 21-24th. Activity will be holiday style. Look for him around 2 kHz from the bandedges on CW on 80-10 meters. QSL via the bureau, and later LoTW.

PJ5, SINT EUSTATIUS. Gerd, DL7VOG, announced that he will be active as PJ5/DL7VOG from Sint Eustatius Island (NA-145) starting the middle of November through the beginning of December. His three week operation will also include the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th). Activity will be on 160-6 meters using mainly CW and RTTY, but he will have a microphone with him just case someone really needs a phone QSO. As always, Gerd will be using his IC-706MK2G (this time with an amp) into an HF9VX for 80-6m and an inverted "L" (on a 15m fiberglass pole) for 160m. QSL via his home callsign, Bureau is preferred.

PJ7, SINT MAARTEN. Operators Travis/AF6WU and Kjerstin/KJ0DVA will be active as PJ7/homecalls from Sint Maarten (NA-105, WLOTA 0711) between August 11-15th. Activity will be mostly SSB on 20/17/15 meters. QSL via LoTW or direct via AF6WU. U.S. stations please send one first class stamp. International stations send 1 USD or 1 IRC. PLEASE NO SASE. Bureau QSLs or cards with no return postage will get a delayed reply or probably through the Bureau.

PQ3, BRAZIL (Lighthouse Op!). Orlando, PT2OP, will be active as PQ3C from Chui Lighthouse (ARLHS BRA-024, DFB RS-13) between July 17-20th.

Activity will be on 40-10 meters SSB. QSL via PT2OP, direct (see QRZ.com) or by the Bureau.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 4O3A, 7P8AA, 8R1K, B7P, C6A/N5KM, EA3GHZ, EV1R, FM5CD, FS/K9EL, JG7MFN, KH6MB, OL5Q, ON5PO, PJ6D, PR1T, PZ5RA, SP8AJK, SV5/G0TSM, VA2OP, VE3AXW, VE9DX, ZB2X and ZS8MI

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3D2A, 4J3M, 5M2TT, 9L5MS, CX5BW, EG5CI, F1BBU (SAT), IS0/WH0Q, J28JA, JD1BMH, K8LEE/CY0, LY3BH, N1SNB/CY0, N0TG/CY0, P29VCX, P29VLR, PJ2T, SP5EWY, ST2EB, SV2ASP/A, T31A, TG9AHM, TG9NX, TJ9PF and ZA/I2GPT

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: HB0/PC5A and HP1/IZ6BRN

SILENT KEY. Keith, G3VKW, informs OPDX that Henry Lewis, G3GIQ, became a "Silent Key" (SK) July 7th, in a hospital in Barnstable Devon. Henry had recently left London and moved to Devon. OPDX and its readers would like to send out our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of G3GIQ.

ST0, SOUTHERN SUDAN (Update). The Southern Sudan is now the world's newest country as they celebrated its independence on Saturday, July 9th, with a flag-raising and a swearing-in ceremony for the new president in the capital Juba. The special ceremony was attend by U.N. Secretary General Ban Ki-moon and several other world delegates. On Friday, the U.N. Security Council approved a new peacekeeping force for South Sudan. The United Nations Security Council will endorse the Republic of Southern Sudan to become a member before the General Assembly on July 14th. The Southern Sudan is then expected to be the 193rd member/nation of the U.N. The ARRL should recognize this new country once they obtain UN admission. Meanwhile, Paul, N6PSE, reports that the Intrepid-DX Group and the DX Friends/Tifariti Gang is expected to activate this newly created country. They have had several meetings with this new government and they have obtained a valid license for this DXpedition. A team of 18 international operators are hoping to make 100,000 contacts over fourteen full days of operation on each amateur band and mode. If exact days for their operation are announced during the week, look for a special bulletin to be sent out. Stay tuned! For more details and updates watch: http://www.dxfriends.com/SouthernSudan2011

T32, EAST KIRITIMATI. Giovanni, I5JHW, will be active as T32JB from the Captain Cook Hotel on Christmas Island (OC-024) between August 17-24th. Activity will be holiday style on CW, SSB and RTTY, using an IC-718 and a 7-band vertical antenna. QSL via I5JHW. ADDED NOTE: Giovanni is actually on a family vacation which also includes Fiji (3D2HW) and New Caledonia (possibly his renewed callsign FK/I5JH), but the main operations will be on Christmas Island. For more details, visit his Web page at: http://i5jhw.weebly.com

T48, CUBA. Once again, members of the "Federaci&#65533;n de Radioaficionados de Cuba" in Las Tunas, will activate the contest callsign T48K during the

upcoming CQWW VHF Contest (July 16-17th) as a Multi-Single entry. They will be on 6 and 2 meters from Grid Locator FL10mw, which was previously activated on 6 meters during the June QSO Party. This activity will be the very first time ever on 2 meter/CW/USB. QSL via DK1WI.

V6, MICRONESIA. Aaron, W6ANM, will be active as V63FAA from Kosrae (OC-059) between July 26-29th, and Pohnpei (OC-010) between July 30th and August 4th. Activity will be focused on 40 and 20 meters using CW and SSB. A contact can be scheduled via the E-mail address on QRZ.com for any HF band. QSL via LoTW or direct to W6ANM (please include SASE). A new Web page is now available with details about his schedule, QSL info and online log, at: http://home.comcast.net/~V63FAA-2011/site/?/home

W2, UNITED STATES (Lighthouse Op!). Members of the Old Barney ARC will be operating as W2T from the Tucker's Island Lighthouse (USA-911) in the Tuckerton Seaport <www.tuckertonseaport.org> between August 13-14th, from about 1300-2100z each day. There will be two or three stations set up with activity primarily on 40/20/17 meters SSB. QSL via N2OO. Visit the Old Barney ARC Web page at: http://www.obarc.org

XE3/XF3, MEXICO (IOTA Op). Andrea, IZ2LSC, will be active as XE3/IZ2LSC between July 26th and August 8th. Activity will be holiday style on 30-6 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. He will also make a side trip to activate IOTA NA-045, Isla Mujeres, as XF3/IZ2LSC between August 9-14th. Andrea informs OPDX that "According to RSGB IOTA website the Island has been credited to only 30.5% of participants." QSL via EB7DX, by the Bureau or direct, as well as LoTW. For more details, visit the Web page at: http://www.timpy.it/xf3

ZF, CAYMAN ISLANDS. Just a few more days to work Ann, W6NN, as ZF2LL from Grand Cayman Island (NA-016) as her last day is July 12th. Activity has been on 20 and 15 meters SSB. QSL via her home callsign, direct or by the Bureau or LoTW.

ZF, CAYMAN ISLANDS. Operators Bob/W5UQ and Bill/W5SJ will be active as ZF2UQ and ZF2EZ, respectively, between July 11-17th. They will be based at the "Cayman Amateur Radio Society" (ZF1A) club station. Operation will be primarily CW with an emphasis on 6 meters. Bill will operate Single-Op in the CQWW VHF Contest (July 16-17th). Bill states, "It is planned to be fun and relaxing - dits, dahs and beach!" Send QSLs for both callsigns to Jay, W5JAY.

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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
04 - 10 July 2011

Solar activity was at very low to low levels during the period.
Solar activity began at very low levels through 06 July. On 06 July,
a 23 degree long filament, centered near N25W60, was observed
lifting off. An associated CME (573 km/s plane-of-sky speed) was
observed, but was not Earth-directed. Low levels returned on 07 July
when Region 1243 (N15, L=353, class/area Dai/100 on 06 July)
produced a C1/Sf at 07/0242 UTC. Four C-class flares were observed
on 08 July, the largest a C3/1n at 08/1331 UTC from Region 1247
(S18, L=269, class/area Dai/040 on 10 July). There was a long
duration B4 x-ray event at 09/0028Z UTC from Region 1247. Associated
with this event was a filament eruption located near Region 1247
that produced an asymmetric, partial-halo CME first visible on LASCO
C2 imagery at 09/0125 UTC. Activity returned to very low levels for
the remainder of the period.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
normal levels on 04 July. Flux levels increased to moderate on 05 -
06 July and further increased to high levels on 07 - 08 July. The
period ended with flux at moderate levels.

Geomagnetic activity ranged from quiet to active levels during the
period, with an isolated minor storm period observed early on 05
July due to a nighttime substorm. From 04 - 08 July, activity was
primarily at quiet to unsettled levels with isolated active periods
observed on 05 and 06 July. An increase to quiet to active levels
occurred on 09 - 10 July due to the onset of another CH HSS.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
13 July - 08 August 2011

Solar activity is expected to be at very low to low levels during
the forecast period.
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No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at high levels from 12 - 14 July due to enhanced wind speeds from the currently geoeffective CH HSS. Normal levels are expected to return from 15 - 19 July before increasing to moderate to high flux levels again 20 - 27 July after an anticipated period of elevated solar wind speeds associated a second recurrent CH. Flux values should return to normal levels 28 July - 02 August, before another brief period of moderate to high levels on 3 - 4 August. Normal levels are expected to prevail for the remainder of the period.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be at quiet to unsettled levels on 13 July due to CH HSS effects. Unsettled to active conditions with the chance for a minor storm is expected to begin on 14 July and persist for a day or two due to the anticipated arrival of the CME from 1103 UTC on 11 July. Mostly quiet conditions should return 16 - 17 July. An increase in activity ranging from quiet to active levels is forecast for 18 - 23 July due to another geoeffective HSS from a recurrent negative polarity CH. Conditions are forecast to be mostly quiet from 24 July - 03 August, with the exception of more CH HSS effects expected 27 - 29 July and 31 July - 02 August. Each of these events should each produce mostly unsettled and possibly even brief active conditions. Mostly quiet conditions are forecast to return on 03 August, before a SSBC from negative to positive polarity is expected on 04 August, when mostly unsettled conditions should occur in advance of yet another CH HSS that is expected to produce mostly unsettled conditions for the remainder of the period.

645. [DXNL] DXNL 1736 (Jul 13, 2011)

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DXNL 1736 - Jul 13, 2011
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C9 - MOZAMBIQUE
Dave,ZR6DG, will be active as C92DG from Tofo/Mozambique on Jul 14-28.
Plans are "to do two DX sessions a day" along with Helge,ZS6HB.
QSL via ZR6DG.

CO - CUBA, NA-015
Radio Club Las Tunas will take part in the CQWW VHF Contest (Jul 16-17)
as T48K, on 6m and 2m, from Grid Square FL10mw. QSL via DK1WI.

CT7 - PORTUGAL
Special event station CQ73O will be active on July 11-17 for the
30th International Motorcycle Rally in Faro, Portugal. QSL via CT1EHX.

DL - GERMANY, EU-128
Look for Stefan,DF8HS/p, to be active from Fehmarn Island (EU-128) on
July 9-29. QSL via homecall, bureau preferred.

LA - NORWAY, EU-055
Helge,LA1QDA, will be active from Store Sotra (EU-055) on July 11-31.
He will be QRV on 80m-6m. QSL via homecall, direct or bureau.

OH0 - ALAND ISLANDS, EU-002
Eric,SM1TDE, will be active holiday style as OH0/SM1TDE from Eckero on
Aland Islands (EU-002) on July 21-24. Look for him around 2 kHz from
the band edges on 80m-10m CW. QSL via the bureau and LoTW.

OZ - DENMARK, EU-172
Chris,DL4FO, will be active as OZ/DL4FO from Tuno Island (EU-172) on
July 17-29. He will operate mainly CW on the HF bands and 6 metres.
QSL via homecall, direct or bureau.

PY - BRASIL
Orlando,PT2OP, will be QRV as PQ3C from Chui Lighthouse (ARLHS BRA-024)
on July 17-20. He will be active on 10m-40m.

QSL via PT2OP, direct or bureau.

VE - CANADA
Alain,F5LMJ, will be active in his spare time as VE2/F5LMJ/p from
Canada (mainland) in July. He will operate CW and digital modes from
Saint-Sauveur (July 16-23) and Sainte-Anne-de-Beaupre (July 23-30).
QSL via homecall and LoTW.

YV - VENEZUELA, SA-035
The Grupo DX Caracas will conduct their annual IOTA expedition to
celebrate the Venezuelan Navy Day on July 13-18. This year a team of
15 operators will be active as YW5LR from Los Roques (SA-035) on all
bands and modes. QSL via DM4TI.

ZF - CAYMAN ISLANDS, NA-016
Bob,W5UQ (ZF2UQ), and Bill,W5SJ (ZF2EZ), will be active from the
Cayman Islands (NA-016) between July 11 and 18. They will operate
mainly CW/SSB on the HF bands and participate in the CQ WW VHF Contest
mainly on 6 metres. QSLs for both callsigns via W5JAY.

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Jul 16-17: Saar Contest
Jul 16-17: North American QSO Party
Jul 17: RSGB Low Power Contest

IOTA collected by Ric,DL2VFR (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
EU-120, G, English Coastal Islands: The Wakefield & District Radio Society
will be active as GB1HI from Holy Island (also known as Lindisfarne)
from Jul 15-18. QSL via M0OXO (bureau/direct).
See also: http://www.wdrs.org.uk

EU-136, 9A, Kvarner group: 9A8ASN will be active from Cres Island from
Jul 13-30. QSL via IK5ASN (bureau/direct).

EU-172, OZ, Jylland East & Fyn group: OZ/DL4FO is going to hit the airwaves
from Tunoe (DIA JY-009) mainly in CW on the HF bands and 6m from
Jul 17-29. Tunoe is situated west of Samsoe and is a small island of
only 3,52 sqkm. QSL via bureau to his homecall.
See also: http://www.qslnet.de/dl4fo

NA-091, VE, British Columbia Province South group: Broughton Island has a
confirmation rate of only 22 %. Broughton is the workplace and QTH of
VE7RSV/p. When Rob has some time he is working in SSB with 100 watts
and G5RV almost every day. He wants to take part in IOTA Contest also.

QSL via homecall.

NA-142, W, Florida State North West (Escambia to Walton County) group: This
quite rare IOTA group will be activated by W4/DF2MM from Santa Rosa
(aka Okaloosa) between Jul 18 and Aug 25. He plans to join also the
IOTA Contest. QSL via DF2MM. His website is: http://www.df2mm.de

NA-232, KL7, St Matthew Island: It seems like everything is on "go" for a
first time activity from St. Matthew from Jul 19-22. If the weather is
fine and condx good N3QQ and NL8F want to make around 3000 QSOs signing
KL7RRC/p. They will work with high power in CW and SSB on 40m-10m.
Their "lift" can be found at: http://www.mikehorn.com
Other plans to activate NA-070 seem to be obsolete.
QSL via N7RO and for EU stations via UA9OBA (bureau/direct).

OC-187, VK, Queensland State (North Coast) North group: JE1SCF will activate
Lizard as KU2F/VK4 from Jul 18-22. QSL via JE1SCF (bureau/direct).

AN-016, VP8/A, Antarctica: VK2BFG is working as VK0BFG from Casey Station
and has been spotted in SSB on 40m already.

Lighthouse activities (WLOTA/ARLHS/ILLW)

CR6W D 2002 Insua Island Jul 24/25

Bandspots of the last 7 days

20m
JW/DG5NFF 14.195 1214Z Martin
MM0BNN/P 14.257 1044Z Bill, SCO9 322, EU-008
PJ4/K5WE 14.004 2341Z
SM/OH2DZ/p 14.263 1812Z Sergej, EU-139, QSL via RV1A
SM/OH2DZ/p 14.006 1920Z Sergej, EU-139, QSL via RV1A

17m
TF/VE2XAA 18.080 1427Z EU-021
5N6/YL2SW 18.076 1743Z
BY1RX/4 18.068 1135Z AS-160, QSL via EA7FTR

15m
CT7/LZ3ND 21.020 1752Z QSL via LZ1NK (direct)

10m
TF/VE2XAA 28.024 1154Z

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(L) = LoTW
(r) = bureau QSL via e-mail request

QSL information

3Z3ZLOT via SP3PGZ
5C12M via EA7FTR, eQSL, LoTW

8N1WHALE sends automatically, no need for QSLs
EG7HBI via EA7URS
EH7CC via EA7NL, eQSL
GB5GHT via M0XIG
HF5EPC via SP6KYU, eQSL
HS0ZFL via DK3GH
II5VVF via IZ5RHU
ON65AF via ON6KN
TC650KOW via TA1CM
ZW32MMDC via PY2ZA
ZA/I2GPT via I2GPT
4A4A via EB7DX

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(*) = new QSL manager
(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) = e-mail request

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646. MMMonVHF Newsletter 2011-07-14

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Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our lastet NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2011-07-14
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter, once a week (thursday)
from now on - if any special activities will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further detail please be so kind and watch our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you vy welcome for any
input and we do hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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** MMMonVHF and DUBUS 144 MHz Meteorscatter-Sprint Contest **

The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF in cooperation with the magazines DUBUS
and Funk-Telegramm (by Joachim, DL8HCZ) invited you to take part in
our 144 MHz Meteorscatter Sprint Contest, which took place for the
first time in the 2008 Perseid shower. The 144 MHz Meteorscatter
Sprint Contest will take place each year on the day of the from IMO
(International Meteor Organization) announced maximum of the Perseid
shower. 2011 contest period: Date: 12./13. August 2011 Time period
for 48 hours: start 12.August 00:00hrs till end 13.August 2011
23:59hrs "UT" (End time of the last complete QSO) !! NEW !!
Reference data for 2011 by the IMO: expected Perseids Maximum 2011:
August 13th. 07:09UT with a expected ZHR of 100. Read all in detail
at the overview and rule page: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/ctest.php
SOURCE: Erwin, DK5EW, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

** Discovery of the February Eta Draconids **

The Central Bureau for Astronomical Telegrams of the International
Astronomical Union today issued this TELEGRAM announcing the
discovery of the February Eta Draconids. Although CAMS was designed
to confirm previously discovered showers, a meteor outburst was
detected in CAMS February 4 data obtained at the Fremont Peak
(Rick Morales, Loren Dynneson, et al.) and Mountain View (Peter
Jenniskens) stations. This is the first new shower discovered by
CAMS. It is also a very unusual shower, of a type that only occurs
once or twice every sixty years and is caused by the dust trail of

a (still to be discovered) potentially hazardous long-period comet.
The new shower was named the February eta Draconids and is now
listed as shower 427 in the IAU Working List of Meteor Showers.
A paper on this discovery was submitted to the Journal of the
International Meteor Organization [[paper pre-print]].
SOURCE: http://cams.seti.org/ QSP and tnx info to Alex, F/SV1NZX

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: V31 ; Square: EK55 ; Start: 2011-07-01 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3845

Jeremy, W7EME, back at Belize as V31JA from EK55 - LATEST NEWS
from Jeremy, dated 2011-07-12: QRV sometime on the 13th, when
moon is higher in jungle. Should remain QRV thru the 17th July
moon. Always second when CQ, 144.144...73 Jeremy
SOURCE: tnx to Jeremy, W7EME, direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
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** Working K5QE in the CQ WW VHF contest... **

Hello to everyone in the 2M EME community. This year, the CQ WW VHF
Contest will be held July 16th and 17th. The contest begins at 1800Z
on Saturday and ends at 2100Z on Sunday. We want to work as many EME
stations on 2M as possible to increase our grid count. All new grids
gratefully appreciated. Please help us with this event by working us
on JT65b or CW. Thank you very much.
There has been a significant rules change this year. Stations attempt
ing digital EME contacts are allowed to post Call, Frequency, and
Sequence ONLY to the various reflectors. This means that a station
calling CQ in the contest will be able to post something like
"144.142MHz....CQ CQ CQ de K5QE Second". That is what I usually post
anyway. Stations in the contest will not be able to post if they are
doing CW EME or making contacts via tropo scatter or other such means.
Full rules at http://www.cqww-vhf.com/CQVHFContestRules2011.pdf.
SOURCE: Marshall, K5QE, direct to MMMonVHF
ALL DETAILS ABT THAT ACTIVITY: www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3925

** EJ3, IRELAND (IOTA Op) on HF, 6m and 2m **

Members of the Galway Radio Experimenters Club (EI4GRC) and the
Shannon Basin Radio Club (EI2SBC) will be on air from Inishbofin

Island (EU-121) for the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st) as a
Multi-Op/Mixed-Mode/Low-Power entry using the callsign EJ3Z. This
is their second year of joining forces for this contest. Inishbofin
is a small island 9km off the west coast (53.37 North - 10.14 West).
On the days leading up to the contest, members will be active using
their own callsigns on HF and VHF; also watch out for EJ4GRC.
Inishbofin Grid Sq. is IO43VO. Operators mentioned are Pat/I9HX,
Niall/EI4CF, Anthony/EI6GGB, Mike/EI2EO, Tony/EI3HA, Fergus/EI6IB,
Ronan/EI8IH, Brian/EI8IU, Mark/EI6JK, Des/EI5GT, Tom/EI3ER,
Adrian/EI7DMB, Michael/EI4AL and Enda/EI2II. For more information
on the island, see: http://www.inishbofin.com
SOURCE: [DX-ENG] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1018

** PJ5, SINT EUSTATIUS, qrv HF and 50 MHz **

Gerd, DL7VOG, announced that he will be active as PJ5/DL7VOG from
Sint Eustatius Island (NA-145) starting the middle of November
through the beginning of December. His three week operation will
also include the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th). Activity
will be on 160-6 meters using mainly CW and RTTY, but he will have
a microphone with him just case someone really needs a phone QSO.
As always, Gerd will be using his IC-706MK2G (this time with an amp)
into an HF9VX for 80-6m and an inverted "L" (on a 15m fiberglass
pole) for 160m. QSL via his home callsign, Bureau is preferred.
SOURCE: [DX-ENG] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1018

** ZF, CAYMAN ISLANDS qrv on VHF **

Operators Bob/W5UQ and Bill/W5SJ will be active as ZF2UQ and ZF2EZ,
respectively, between July 11-17th. They will be based at the
"Cayman Amateur Radio Society" (ZF1A) club station. Operation will
be primarily CW with an emphasis on 6 meters. Bill will operate
Single-Op in the CQWW VHF Contest (July 16-17th). Bill states, "It
is planned to be fun and relaxing - dits, dahs and beach!" Send QSLs
for both callsigns to Jay, W5JAY.
SOURCE [DX-ENG] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1018

** DL4FO, active as OZ/homecall in JO55 on HF and 50 MHz **

Chris,DL4FO, will be active as OZ/DL4FO from Tuno Island (EU-172)
on July 17-29. He will operate mainly CW on the HF bands and 6 metres
QSL via homecall, direct or bureau.
SOURCE: DXNL 1736 (July 13, 2011)

** T48K (FL10MW) qrv in CQ WW VHF Contest **

Radio Club Las Tunas will participate in the CQ WW VHF Contest
(16-17 July) as T48K, on 6 and 2 metres, from Grid Square FL10mw.
QSL via DK1WI. SOURCE: [TNX CO8ZZ] via [425ENG] 425 DX News #1053

** GM3ZHL/p qrv from various IOTA island groups **

Guy G3ZHL, Ken G3YKI and Trevor G8IBO hope to be active (80-6 metres
may be possible) as GM3ZHL/p from various IOTA island groups in north
west Scotland during a sailing trip from 9 to 22 July 2011. The route
and activations will depend totally on the weather. QSL via GM3ZHL
(bureau) or direct to G3ZHL's permanent address in England.
SOURCE: [425 DX News] via ICPO Bulletin (08 - 15 July 2011)

** DH8WE qill be qrv from JO88/JO98 on 6m focus and 20m & 40m **

2011-07-13 till 2011-07-21, JO98AX planed for 1 day (maybe 1st
Weekend after start) - pse read information on QRZ.com
SOURCE: tnx to DH8WE, direct to MMMonVHF

** K7BV July Square / Grid Trip on 50 MHz **

I will be leaving July 12 early AM for a rather long but fast moving
business trip=Grid Trip that will end about July 28. States covered
will include AZ, CA, ID, KS, NE, NM, NV, SD, TX. There are some
planned near full-day stops planned for girds I believe are still
pretty rare including: DM94, DN24, 37, 38, 58 others to try and catch
some Es. Grids I will cover include: EN 00,01,10,20 / EM 07,17,18,38
EM 29 / DM 13,14,15,23,25,26,33,37,38,39,43,44,45,49,54,55,65,66,74,75
DM 84,85,86,94,95,96,97 / DN 24,31,32,33,34,35,36,37,38,40,41,46,47,
DN 48,49,55,56,57,58,65,75,85,91,92,93,94,95 ... I am hoping to have
around 800W sometimes while mobile; more often 100W. Stops will
generally be done with 800W to 3el. I am working on a schedule right
now and will get it out ASAP. Barry, KS7DX will be my Pilot. I will
have cell phone and OnStar but no rolling Internet. When moving in
early AM hours, I will be on 50.255 WSJT FSK441 mode 1st sequence.
During day hours, most likely a combo of FSK441 and a CQ CW beacon
on 50155 until band opening indications appear. Please send comments
special requests, etc. via private email off the reflector.
More info to follow... SOURCE: Dennis K7BV via Reflector

** Square Tour from Bill, VE3CRU on 6m and 2m **

This weekend, VE3CRU, Bill be doing Saturday FN57 and FN67, Sunday
FN56 and FN66 . Prime 6 freq 50.155, 144 is 144.222 also doing
grids in VE2, VE9 and VY2 going, some US returning
SOURCE: VE3CRU Spots on ON4KST-Chat

** Helge, LA1QDA qrv from JP20 HF and 6m **

Helge, LA1QDA will be active from Sotra Island [Store Sotra]
(IOTA EU-055, WW Loc. JP20MH) on 11-31 July 2011. He plans to be
QRV on 80-6 metres, mainly SSB and CW. QSL via his home call,
direct or by the bureau. SOURCE: [rsgbiota.org] via ICPO Bulletin

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** XE3/IZ2LSC qrv HF and 6 m **

Andrea, IZ2LSC will be active holiday style from Mexico between
26th of July and 8th of August 2011, using the callsign XE3/IZ2LSC.
Plans are to be QRV on on 30-6m CW, SSB, Digital modes. QSL via
EB7DX direct, or via IZ2LSC burau and LoTW.
SOURCE: [AT International] via ICPO Bulletin (08 - 15 July 2011)

** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 2359 UTC ...

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HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats
like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USER who did send us info and News **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/kontact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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647. The ARRL Letter for July 14, 2011

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==> 2011 SECOND MEETING OF THE ARRL BOARD OF DIRECTORS TO TAKE PLACE
THIS WEEKEND

The ARRL Board of Directors will hold its 2011 Second Meeting this
weekend in Windsor, Connecticut, with Directors, Vice Directors and
ARRL Board Officers in attendance. Per the Articles of Association the
ARRL Board of Directors meets twice a year, in January and July. Find a
copy of the meeting's agenda here
<http://www.arrl.org/files/media/News/2011_Second_Meeting_Draft_Agenda.pdf>.

==> +ON THE AIR: THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH SUDAN NOW A DXCC ENTITY

At 10 AM (EDT) on Thursday, July 14, the UN General Assembly met to
vote on whether or not to admit the Republic of South Sudan as its
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193rd member state. The Republic of South Sudan was admitted by a vote of acclimation and is now a member of the United Nations <http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=39034&Cr=South+Sudan&Cr1=>. Immediately following the General Assembly meeting, the flag of the Republic of South Sudan flew for the first time in front of the UN, ceremoniously marking its membership in the UN. The membership of the Republic of South Sudan in the United Nations invokes DXCC status under Section II, 1(a) of the DXCC rules <http://www.arrl.org/rules>. As such, the new country is declared a DXCC entity and QSOs for this new entity will be accepted immediately, with a start date of July 14, 2011.

According to DXCC Manager Bill Moore, NC1L, the Honor Roll numbers move from 340 to 341 for the Top of the Honor Roll, and for Honor Roll it becomes 332. "The deadline for the Honor Roll and annual listings is December 31, so you must submit the new entity to DXCC by then in order to retain your Honor Roll status," Moore explained. "For Logbook of The World (LoTW <https://p1k.arrl.org/lotwuser/default>), you may submit all your QSOs with the Republic of South Sudan stations anytime. There is no need to hold them out of your log or do anything differently from what you already have been doing. You do not need to assign country names or identifiers. After we issue certificates to the Republic of South Sudan license holders, LoTW will make matches and assign the correct entities automatically." Click here <http://www.arrl.org/news/us-recognizes-world-s-newest-country-the-republic-of-south-sudan>
for more on how the Republic of South Sudan became the newest DXCC entity.

==> + FCC NEWS: RECONROBOTICS PAYS $17,500 TO END FCC INVESTIGATION OF RULES VIOLATIONS

On Wednesday, July 13, the FCC announced that its Enforcement Bureau and ReconRobotics have entered into a Consent Decree. This resolves an FCC investigation in response to a complaint filed by the ARRL. In 2010, the ARRL alleged that ReconRobotics had violated Section 302a(b) of the Communications Act of 1934 as amended and Section 2.803 of the Commission's rules regarding the manufacturing, marketing, distributing and selling of radio frequency transmitters. In the complaint the ARRL alleged that ReconRobotics had unlawfully marketed the Recon Scout -- a remote-controlled, maneuverable surveillance robot operating in the 430-448 MHz band -- to public safety agencies and certain security personnel prior to the grant of a necessary waiver. The FCC granted a waiver to ReconRobotics in 2010 allowing public safety licensees to operate the device in a portion of the 70 cm band. To date, no license applications have been granted by the Commission for the device and the ARRL has petitioned to deny all applications filed. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/reconrobotics-pays-17-500-to-end-fcc-investigation-of-rules-violations>.

==> + PUBLIC SERVICE: HURRICANE WATCH NET SEEKS NEW MEMBERS

The various organizations that assist the National Hurricane Center (NHC) in Miami are gearing up for what forecasters are predicting to be a very active storm season. One organization that assists the NHC is the Hurricane Watch Net (HWN). One of the functions of HWN is to provide on-the-ground, real-time weather data to the forecasters at the NHC. The HWN gets this weather data from Amateur Radio operators who volunteer their time to monitor data from their calibrated home weather stations and report that data to the HWN. To better assist the NHC, HWN Manager Kirk Harding, K6KAR, told the ARRL that the HWN is looking for new members. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/hurricane-watch-net-seeks-new-members-1>.

==> + AMATEUR RADIO IN THE CLASSROOM: ARRL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE APPROVES EQUIPMENT GRANTS FOR SIX SCHOOLS

In June, the ARRL Executive Committee reviewed grant applications for the ARRL's Education & Technology Program (ETP), awarding equipment valued at nearly $5000 to six schools. More than 575 schools across the country have received support from the ETP in the form of grants for equipment, curriculum and resources, as well as teacher in-service training through the Teachers Institute on Wireless Technology. Applications for equipment and resource grants are accepted twice each year; application deadlines are May 1 and November 1.

A central goal of the ETP is to develop a foundation of wireless technology literacy among America's teachers and students. It employs Amateur Radio to explore radio science and electronics and provide hands-on activities that engage students' minds and imaginations, opening doorways into math, science and technology curriculum topics, as well as other core curriculum areas such as geography and language arts. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-executive-committee-approves-grants-for-six-sc
hools>.

==> + OFCOM TESTS 70 CM BAND IN ADVANCE OF 2012 SUMMER OLYMPIC GAMES IN LONDON

In April, Ofcom -- the British equivalent to the FCC -- approached the Radio Society of Great Britain (RSGB) to help determine which sections of the 70 cm band could be used by the London Olympic Committee for a limited period before, during and after the 2012 Summer Olympic Games and the 2012 Summer Paralympic Games. Both events will be held in London.

"As a secondary user of the band, we as radio amateurs have no specific rights to any of those frequencies," the RSGB stated on its website. "Rather than just imposing changes, Ofcom has approached the Society in the spirit of cooperation to work together to solve the problem. The RSGB intends to work constructively on this matter to reach agreement with Ofcom on the segments that can be released on a temporary basis. Ofcom has given clear and unambiguous assurance that the segments used will be returned once the London 2012 Games are over." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/ofcom-tests-70-cm-band-in-advance-of-2012-summer-ol

ympic-games-in-london>.

==> + NEW SECTION MANAGER APPOINTED IN WEST TEXAS

Bill Roberts, W5NPR, of Alpine, has been appointed as the Interim West Texas Section Manager as of July 8, 2011. ARRL Membership and Volunteer Programs Manager Dave Patton, NN1N, made the appointment in consultation with ARRL West Gulf Division Director David Woolweaver, K5RAV. Roberts has served as the ARRL West Texas Section Traffic Manager since 2009. He is a past president of the Big Bend Amateur Radio Club and is also active as a back-up net control station for the Big Bend Emergency/West Texas ARES® Net and a net control station for the National Traffic System's Daytime Region Net 5.

John Dyer, AE5B, completed his latest term of office as the West Texas Section Manager on June 30. Dyer has served as the top Field Organization official in West Texas since July 2007; he previously served as Section Manager from October 2002-June 2005. Dyer decided not to run for the new term of office that began July 1, 2011. Roberts will serve as Interim West Texas Section Manager until a Section Manager is declared elected. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/new-section-manager-appointed-in-west-texas>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "I'm gonna soak up the Sun <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KIYiGA_rIls>" Cook, K7RA, reports: The average daily sunspot numbers this week were up 57 percent over the previous seven days, rising from 41.6 to 65.6, while the average daily solar flux rose just 3 points to 89.1. There seem to be plenty of sunspots of late, but none have been large, so the sunspot number and solar flux are not as high as in some previous months. A new sunspot appeared on July 7, then three more the next day on July 8, then a new one each day on July 9, 10 and 11 and two more on July 13. A coronal mass ejection on July 9 gave us some geomagnetic activity a couple of days later. Current forecast has an active day on July 14, with planetary A index at 17, then on July 15-24 at 8, 5, 5, 8, 10, 15, 12, 8, 8 and 5. Solar flux is predicted at 95 on July 14-15, 92 on July 16-17, 90 on July 18-20, then 92, 94, 90, 89 and 87 on July 21-25. Look for more information on the ARRL website on Friday, July 15. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by Sheryl Crow's Soak Up the Sun <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Soak_Up_the_Sun>.

==> NEW QUICKSTATS POLL NOW AVAILABLE ON ARRL WEBSITE

Four new poll questions have just been published on the QuickStats page <http://www.arrl.org/quickstats> on the ARRL website. Let your voice be heard!

Questions in this month's QuickStats poll:

- Is it becoming more difficult to find parts for your homebrew
projects?
- Have your neighbors ever complained about your outdoor antennas?
- What is your favorite source for used Amateur Radio equipment?
- Are you active on 6 meter FM?

Visit the QuickStats page <http://www.arrl.org/quickstats> and be sure
to bookmark it in your browser. Results from this QuickStats poll will
be published in the October 2011 issue of QST on the QuickStats page,
located in the rear advertising section of the magazine. Along with
monthly poll results, QST QuickStats offers colorful charts and graphs
that highlight interesting Amateur Radio statistics.

==> THIS WEEK ON THE RADIO

This week:

- July 16 -- Feld Hell Sprint
- July 16-17 -- DMC RTTY Contest; CWops Mini-CWT Test; CQ Worldwide VHF
Contest; North American QSO Party (RTTY)
- July 17 -- CQC Great Colorado Gold Rush
- July 18 -- Run for the Bacon QRP Contest
- July 21 -- NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint

Next week:

- July 22 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- July 24 -- WAB 144 MHz QRO Phone
- July 27 -- SKCC Sprint
- July 27-28 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest
Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update
<http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest
Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more
information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out
the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page
<http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- July 15-17 -- ARRL Montana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/montana-state-convention-glacier-waterton-inter
national-hamfest>,
Essex, Montana
- July 29-30 -- ARRL Oklahoma State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/oklahoma-state-convention-ham-holiday-2011>,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
- August 5-6 -- ARRL Texas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/texas-state-convention-austin-summerfest-1>,
Austin, Texas
- August 5-7 -- ARRL Rocky Mountain Division Convention

<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/rocky-mountain-division-convention-1>,
Taos, New Mexico; ARRL Midwest Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/midwest-division-convention>, Cedar
Rapids, Iowa
- August 20 -- ARRL West Virginia State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-virginia-state-convention-1>,
Weston, West Virginia
- August 20-21 -- ARRL Alabama State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/alabama-state-convention-huntsville-hamfest>,
Huntsville, Alabama
- August 21 -- ARRL Kansas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/kansas-state-convention-1>, Salina,
Kansas
- August 28 -- ARRL Western Pennsylvania Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/western-pennsylvania-section-convention-1>,
New Kensington, Pennsylvania
- September 9-11 -- ARRL Southwestern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southwestern-division-convention-hamcon-2011>,
Torrance, California
- September 11 -- ARRL Great Lakes Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/great-lakes-division-convention-findlay-hamfest
>,
Findlay, Ohio
- September 17 -- ARRL Roanoke Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/roanoke-division-convention-virginia-beach-hamf
est>,
Virginia Beach, Virginia
- September 24 -- ARRL Washington State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/washington-state-convention-35th-annual-spokane
-hamfest>,
Spokane Valley, Washington

To find a convention or hamfest near you, click here
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Weekly news from the WIA:
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WIANEWS - July 17 - VK NATIONAL NEWS

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Please.. If you are only submitting text and not audio, write your story as
you would expect to hear it being read back and NEVER send just links & url's.

WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING July 17 2011.

A well-earned boost for amateur radio

They are still talking about the excellent coverage given in the Livewire
section of the Green Guide supplement in The Age newspaper.

HEAR MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE OF AUSTRALIA
FOR WEEK COMMENCING JULY 17 2011.

A well-earned boost for amateur radio

They are still talking about the excellent coverage given in the Livewire
section of the Green Guide supplement in The Age newspaper.

The well-researched article by Katie Cincotta appeared on Thursday the 7th
of July and involves accounts of nine radio amateurs, including 13-year old
Monique Golub VK3FWPZ.

The 8th grader enjoys contesting and has encouraged other young girls to
join the fun.

Justin Stewart VK3FLIP and Monique VK3FWPZ are shown at the Sherbrooke Community
School station VK3KID.

Maths teacher Edward Seeto VK3LIP demonstrates on a hand-held radio accessing a web-enabled local repeater to connect to a user in Dallas, Texas.

They learn the ropes from volunteers Randall McDonald VK3RM and Jim McNabb VK3AMN.

Another relative newcomer is Richard Holmes VK3TXD, keen to dispel the amateur radio stereotype of old blokes tinkering, and hopes a new generation will find clever ways to evolve the hobby. The lure of long-distance or DX contacts remains his main interest.

The article has a look at Doug McArthur VK3UM on emergency communications and moon-bounce experimentation through to Jack Bramham VK3WWW on his digital amateur television and ARDF pursuits.

Wireless Institute of Australia media spokesman Jim Linton VK3PC says the Foundation Licence is simple for people to acquire, although many progress to the higher grades as Standard and Advanced which give them more.

To read the full article visit:
theage.com.au/digital-life/ham-radio-far-from-over-or-out-20110706-1h135.html

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

august

Wally Green VK6WG turns 100 in August and is still going strong in the microwave experimenting area.

Wally recounts many amusing stories and one, told when being intervied by Bob Elms VK6BE went along these lines:-

"I recently heard you telling a story about your exploits
with ford spark coils and a male relative. Give us the
story again will you?

Wally responded......."

"Yes that sticks in my mind and I can see it in my head now.
He was interested in my elder sister and I was playing with
my Ford coil and I decided to see what would happen with this
bloke. There was a couch along the side wall. I connected the
coil to a battery and connected to two pieces of enamel covered
wire and put it under a piece of news paper.

The Ford coil would send a spark an inch long. It would go
through newspaper with no trouble at all. When he sat down
I turned the coil on. He just rose straight up into the air.
If his pants had been paper they would been set on fire.

But he still married my sister."

Augusts Amateur Radio Magazine will feature Wally VK6WG on the cover.

http://www.vk6uu.id.au/VK6WG.html
(sourced to vk7wia)

John Singleton's Macquarie Radio Network has concluded a heads of agreement to acquire eight commercial radio broadcasting stations from the Smart Radio Network in Queensland.
The agreement is subject to satisfaction of customary conditions including securing finance, board approval and the conclusion of a long form agreement.

WIA
President Michael Owen VK3KI president@wia.org.au
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WIA...Why be in it?

The Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society, an affiliate of the WIA in their last newsletter as that very question.

WIA...Why be in it?

They co on to say that "in 2010 the WIA celebrated 100 years of representing Amateur Radio in Australia. That is 100 years of improved conditions for the AR population in Australia. The WIA does not win all the battles, but at least they try.

Currently only 30% of Australian Amateurs are members.

The WIA is like a trade union, the WIA works hard to get benefits for their members, but all Amateurs benefit. Is that fair?

All amateurs are free to use VK5 repeaters yet some are funded by the WIA.

AHARS insurance: the club has liability insurance through the WIA. Any members who are members of the WIA are covered at no further cost to AHARS. The club submits members list in April and the WIA charges a fee for all non WIA members.

Clubs are not advised of who are not members, due to privacy restrictions, but Clubs are charged accordingly.

If you operate on the so called WARC bands, have a Foundation licence, operate HF without a CW test, then these conditions have all been won by the WIA.

WIA will be represented at the World Radio Conference (WRC) in 2012. The WIA is part of the official Australian Government contingent, the WIA pay for this privilege. If we do not attend, our bands and conditions are at risk.

This all costs money.

It will cost you less than $2 a week to be a WIA member.

Please visit the WIA website www.wia.org.au to see how many volunteers help.

Contests, awards, magazine, bookshop, historian and so on, for the benefit of all Amateurs. This is not a witch hunt, just putting the facts for your decision.

As AHARS say in their newsletter. Please consider joining.

WIA PRESIDENT VK3KI REPORTS

Recently an amateur forgot to renew his licence because he failed to advise the ACMA of his new address, and was upset when his two letter callsign was allocated to someone else.

The "Comment" in the June 2009 issue of Amateur Radio addressed this problem in some detail, and further information can be found on the WIA website www.wia.org.au under the tab "Australian amateur licensing and callsigns" under the button "Get your Amateur Radio Licence".

The Radiocommunications Act does not impose on ACMA an obligation to issue a renewal notice. ACMA does so, but failure to receive a renewal notice is no excuse for not renewing a licence.

Obviously, failing to notify the ACMA of a change of address will mean that even if the ACMA does send a renewal notice, it will go the wrong address. But the Act does provide that a licence can be renewed from 6 months before and 60 days after its expiry date. It is the licensee's responsibility to ensure that the licence is renewed in that time.

A callsign is only a condition of a licence, and if the licence is not renewed, after 60 days from the expiry date the callsign will be placed on the Public List, (the list of available callsigns on the WIA website) and after 7 days the WIA will issue a Callsign Recommendation to whoever wants that callsign.

PRESIDENT MICHAEL ALSO WROTE TO WIA FRONT PAGE NEWS

"From 8 July 2011 a change has been made to the procedures for a Callsign Recommendation for a two letter callsign in Queensland, New South Wales and Victoria.

Since 1 December 2010 the procedure in respect of two letter callsigns in those states has been that no callsign recommendation can be made until seven days after a callsign is placed on the Public List, (the list of available callsigns on the WIA website) to allow someone who has inadvertently allowed a licence to lapse to claim back the callsign.

Applications for these two letter callsign were still required to be lodged by mail, but after the seven days had elapsed, if there was more than one application for a callsign and the callsign has not been claimed back, then the applications were drawn at random in the presence of a WIA Director, Secretary or Treasurer. This ensured that those living in more remote areas, without Express Post, were not disadvantaged.

Now applications for a two letter callsign in Queensland, New South Wales and Victoria may be sent by mail, facsimile, scanned and sent by email, or delivered by hand to the WIA office.

After the expiration of seven days, the ballot procedure will determine the applicant who will receive the Callsign Recommendation.

In addition, fees paid by unsuccessful applicants will be retained until the callsign has been allocated by ACMA, and if the callsign is not allocated, then

the next applicant drawn would be offered the callsign and the fees will only be refunded to unsuccessful applicants after the ACMA has allocated the callsign.

The WIA cannot accept a standing application for a two letter callsign, as the application for a Callsign Recommendation must always relate to a particular callsign."

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/
Police Roundup http://www.vicpolicenews.com.au/

Riverina Field Day Albury Wodonga Amateur Radio Club Inc

The Albury Wodonga Amateur Radio club hosts the Field day, held at the Lavington Scout Group Hall Lavington at 10:00am and it costs just $5.00.

Traders, second hand equipment, hot food, free tea and coffee.

All welcome on July 31.

Places for exhibitors and traders still available, for more information contact Tom vk2my

sanders_01@bigpond.com

(wia events)

East Gippsland Amateur Radio Club would like to remind members of the up and coming AGM, the AGM will be held in the rivers room at the Bairnsdale RSL Club, corner of Princes Highway and Forge Creek Road, on Sunday the 24th of July at 1:30 PM and meals start at 12 PM for those wishing to have a meal before the AGM, more information may be found at the clubs web site www.vk3egc.org

(Michael, clubs Publicity Officer, VK3HAU)

VK5

Darryl Ross, VK5HZ writing in the Winter 2011 issue of 'INFO' from the Elizabeth Amateur Radio Club in VK5 tells how they have added a new column to the issue -

'EARC Notices and Classifieds'.

Notices and 'adverts' are free for members and can be run for as many issues as are requested.

So if you have anything you want to get rid out of the 'junk room' er 'shack', send in a quick note and perhaps someone else will find a use for it!

VK7
local area news :- http://reast.asn.au/news.php
vk7 local news, email vk7regionalnews-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

VK7RCH interference

Michael 7FMRS and Hayden VK7HAY have managed to track down the interference on VK7RCH. It appears to be a "remote" operated boat crane operating on 433.575MHz, the repeaters input.

Just a reminder too that anyone may use the repeater, it's for the benefit of Southern Amateurs and to increase activity on 70cm.

(VK7WIA)

VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news

Snowy Mountains Amateur Radio Club.

Visitors to the Perisher ski areas over winter are invited to use the local 70cm repeater on 438.450 MHz. VK2RLJ located at a little under 2000 metres ASL on Mount Perisher, provides excellent coverage in and around the Perisher Valley range of ski resorts as well as into the Thredbo Ski Resort and surrounding towns.

The Snowy Club reminds visitors their 2mrepeaters are active on 147.025 MHz and 147.250 MHz, both positive offset and 91.5 Hz tone, providing coverage all the way from Cooma to the Snowy Mountains.

(vk2wi)

TRASH & TREASURE

The next Trash & Treasure event at VK2WI is on the last Sunday of this month, the 31st, with the usual line up. Trash & Treasure and exam assessments in the morning and the Home Brew gathering in the early afternoon.

International Lighthouse & Lightship Weekend heats up

Jim Linton tells us that the Illawarra Amateur Radio Society has told him that "Lighthouses of Australia", a non-profit organisation which aims to create a higher profile for lighthouses, will be in attendance to relight the old diesel powered Point Perpendicular Light for VK2AMW on the weekend!

Club Auction

Liverpool & District Amateur Radio Club Auction, Saturday August 20.

Miller Scout Hall, Shopshire Road, Miller. Next to Miller High School open 8:30am, auction commences at 10:30am

Any vendors who wish to participate, please contact the Liverpool Secretary Garry VK2BR further details.

VK2BR on 0427 063 553
email vk2tsr@bigpond.com

The report, The internet service market and Australians in the online environment, found that that more than 15 million people aged 14-years and over

used the internet during the December quarter of 2010, up from 14.2 million during the same quarter in 2009.

In addition, 71 per cent of internet users went online at least once a day in December 2010, compared to 67 per cent in December 2009 - an increase of 1.2 million users.

EDUCATION YOUTH AND ADVANCEMENT OF AMATEUR RADIO
www.hamcollege.com.au

ARNSW Foundation Course and assessments on Sunday the 4th of September at the VK2WI site.

We ask listeners to advise those they know who have an interest in getting into Amateur Radio that the course is to be held. Have them telephone 02 9651 1490 that number again 02 9651 1490, leaving their contact details.

The date again September 4.

(VK2WI)

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART and the WW sources of the WIA.

Radio licence exemptions following Christchurch earthquake

Temporary transmitters being used in the Christchurch emergency response are exempted from radio licence requirements for the next three months.

The exemption applies to transmitters established within a radius of 30 kilometres of what is known as the 'The Square' in Christchurch. See NZMS 260 map series location M35 806 417.

For the purposes of technical coordination, details of the transmissions must be entered into the Register of Radio Frequencies as 'planned licences' and be certified by an approved radio engineer or an approved radio certifier.

The exemption is made under Regulation 10 of the Radiocommunications Regulations 2001, and is in effect until September 30, 2011.

(rsm)

ZLs TOURISM RADIO

aN Audio travel guide named 'Tourism Radio' operates in New Zealand.

Tourism Radio uses an integrated GPS system broadcasting content in real time.

The system points out well known landmarks as the vehicle approaches allowing visitors to take in all New Zealand has to offer.

The New Zealand company is planning to expand its travel guide here to Australia in 2012, followed by Hawaii and the US after that.

RMS station at Bangalore

The Amateur Radio Messaging Server (RMS) Gateway Station VU2IIH was inaugurated by Shri B.M.Baveja, VU2BMB, Group Coordinator, Department of Information Technology, Ministry of Communications and Information Technology, Government of India at INDIAN INSTITUTE OF HAMS, Bangalore on Wednesday, 6th July. The project is implemented by National Institute of Amateur Radio, Hyderabad.

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

NEW BILL INTRODUCED TO CRIMINALIZE ILLEGAL STREAMING

Streaming copyright material may soon be against the law. Amateur Radio Newsline's Jim Davis, W2JKD, reports:

A trio of Senators has introduced a measure that would make illegally streaming TV shows or movies a felony. The bi-partisan bill, designated as S. 978 was introduced by Senators Amy Klobuchar, John Cornyn and Christopher Coons. It came the same day that Sen. Patrick Leahy of Vermont re-introduced a bipartisan measure to give the government more tools to shut down Web sites that traffic in stolen intellectual property, including TV shows and movies.

It is already a felony to download or upload that content, so the bill would just extend that to streaming. This was a recommendation made by White House Intellectual Property Enforcement Coordinator Victoria Espinel. Espinel pointed out that under existing law, it is unclear that streaming copyrighted work can be subject to a felony penalties because such penalties are predicated on the defendant either illegally reproducing or distributing the copyrighted work.

While, intuitively, streaming would seem to pretty clearly be distribution, there has been some legal question about that designation. This new law looks to clear up that point.

I'm Jim Davis, W2JKD.

The Obama administration has made protection, security and privacy of online content a priority given its push for universal broadband as a critical infrastructure component of the country's future.

FALCONSAT 3 CREATES OVER 200 NEW HAMS

Turning to ham radio space related news, word that the US Air Force Academy FalconSat-3 satellite, launched in 2007, has resulted in over 200 academy students becoming licensed radio amateurs.

FalconSat-3 was put into orbit on March 9, 2007 by the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado. It carries a 145 to 435 MHz digital store and forward transponder supporting data rates of 9k6, 38k4, or 76k8 running the pacsat file system so anyone with WiSP can copy telemetry.

Project OSCAR UK contacted Colorado Satellite to get the latest word on the satellite. They received an update below from Jim White who explained that the government band radios on Falcon-Sat-3 require a stable gravity gradient attitude to work properly. They have struggled with the attitude control

since launch and it is not yet stable. Instead, the satellite is operating using its amateur band radios and as a result a large contingent of cadets and faculty from the Air Force Academy have obtained Amateur licenses.

White says that FalconSat-3 is presently on during most day and evening passes over the Air Force Academy with a very strong downlink on UHF.

He adds that when FalconSat-5 was launched about 6 months ago there was some thought that FalconSat-3would move to fully amateur service. However FalconSat-3 has proven to be such a useful learning tool that the decision was made to operate it along with FalconSat-5. Unlike its predecessor, FalconSat 5 carries no Amateur equipment.

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WEIRD AND WONDERFUL

THAT 110 YEAR OLD BULB STILL HAS US IN ITS SPELL

A follow-up to a story that we first aired some ten years ago. It's about a light bulb. A very old light bulb that keeps a Northern California fire station out of the dark.

Amateur Radio Newsline's Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, with details:

A light bulb hanging in the Livermore Pleasanton California Fire Department has been burning steadily for exactly 110 years.

Lynn Owens, who's in charge of the "light bulb centennial committee", says that how it stays lit remains something of a mystery. He says that it's a 60-watt bulb but it only gives off only about four watts of light. Even so, but nobody knows why it keeps burning.

According to the lamp's website, the bulb is actually a somewhat different style bulb from what other manufacturers of the day produced. It was invented by Adolphe A. Chaillet and made by the Shelby Electric Company. It was donated by Dennis Bernal to the Livermore Volunteer Fire Department and this past June 18th was its 110th year of continuous illumination. This is a fact documented extensively by Guinness World Records.

One possible answer may be the way in which it was constructed.

In a 2010 interview with the Daily Mail, bulb protector Steve Bunn ascribed the light's success to good old fashioned engineering. In the Shelby bulb, a coiled filament burned brighter and lasted longer than the Edison bulb -- this as evidenced by the longevity of the Livermore Pleasanton centennial bulb which celebrated its 110th year of nonstop duty back on June 18th.

According to Owens, scientists from around the world have come to look at the bulb but why its lasted this long is still a mystery. You can visit it vicariously on the world-wide-web
www.centennialbulb.org

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2011

Aug 13-14 WIA Remembrance Day Contest

Aug 20-21 WW I.L.L.W.

Oct 22 WIA Jack Files Contest

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January VK Ross Hull Memorial VHF UHF Contest

March 17-18 VK JOHN MOYLE MEMORIAL FIELD DAY

June Long Weekend (vk4 time) VK Shires Contest.

July First full weekend NZART Memorial Contest

Here is an unofficial report on the NZART Memorial Contest held 2nd and 3rd July 2011.

Conditions were not good and made for some hard digging of signals at times.

Saturday there was an average of 32 SSB Stations per hour.

19 ZLs and 13 VKs

Sunday was very similar with an average of 36 SSB Stations per hour
23 ZLs and 13 VKs.

The pleasing thing was that most stayed around to give that 1 point.

PHILLIP zl2tze thanks those that worked this contest and remember to get your logs in by 31st July

Remember to include the summary sheet .

Please mark this on your calendar for 2012 First full weekend in July and pass this on to all ..

Thank you and hear you all in 2012 !!!

International Lighthouse & Lightship Weekend heats up

In yester-year the coastline had lighthouse protection, now well surpassed by modern satellite navigation.

The radio amateurs operating portable from those locations, on the third weekend of August helps keep the spirit of the lighthouse alive.

Several countries with a relative small coastline do surprisingly well, by activating as many of the accessible lighthouses as possible.

Of those countries that relied heavily on lighthouse protection on the past, Australia remains in the lead with 51 followed by the USA on 48, but usual leadership contender Germany has only 39 entries so far.

More than 300 entries are expected for lighthouses and lightships from now onwards with around 50 countries to be involved and with just 4 weeks to go to the International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend a total of 290 entries

have been received. Many more expected in coming weeks.

This year so far 13 Lightships are entered mainly from Belgium, England, Germany and the USA. There's one each in the Netherlands, Sweden and Wales.

Lightships are a rarer breed of the long-gone era of magnified flashes a light used by ships as they navigated along the coast and around the world.

Since 1998 the 48-hour fun filled third weekend in August attracts more than 440 entrants, from around 50 countries.

Be part of the action, or just check the newly refurbished website at ILLW.NET where you will find more information about the International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend, on August the 20th and 21st.

For full details and on-line registration for the weekend of August the 20th and 21st check the website ILLW.NET which has been recently been revised and well worth a visit.

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

The island of Nauru in the central Pacific is not often heard on the bands.
Pekka OH2YY will be active as C21YY until 20 July.
He will use SSB only and QSLs go via his home call.

Dave ZR6DG is in Mozambique until 28 July and will sign C92DG.
He plans to be active on the bands as time allows.
QSL info is via his home call.

The unusual callsign E76ARDF will be in use from now until 20 July from Bosnia-Herzegovina. This is in connection with the 6th Balkan Amateur Radio Direction Finding Championship. It is expected that 120 amateurs from 9 countries will take part in the event.

Brazil Special Event

Look for the amateur radio special event station PT 155 FD to be active between now and July 30th.

Activity is to commemorate the 155th anniversary of the first Official Fire Department in Brazil (Rio de Janeiro State).

LORD HOWE ISLAND, VK9L.
Hellenic Amateur Radio Association of Australia on Lord Howe Island (OC-004) as VK9HR between July 23 and August 2. CW, SSB and RTTY activity on 160 to 6 meters.
QSL via EB7DX.

INTRUDER WATCH - ENFORCEMENT ZONE

Region III IARUMS Coordinator Peter Young VK3MV

VK IARUMS reflector email to subscribe intruders@wia.org.au

INTRUDER NETS
Friday 0730 UTC 7.065.5 with VK4CEU David.

Amateur exclusive frequencies where any non-amateur signal is definitely an intruder.

Amateur HF Spectrum world wide
7.050 to 7.100
14.000 to 14.250
14.250 to 14.350 No broadcasters
21.000 to 21.450
24.890 to 24.990
28.000 to 29.700

In the last DX Bulletin No. 1018 there was mention of ZL7 in the cluster report also the same reported in the DXCC Country / Entity report from Southgate Amateur radio News.

We are led to believe there is no current licensed operator with the calls listed :

N2KW 7023.0 ZL7O14 0652 03 Jul Chatham Islands
F5LVL 14015.0 ZL7PW 559 0709 07 Jun Chatham Islands
EA5YZ 14021.0 ZL7PW 5/9 I'm murcia 73.s 0615 13 May Chatham Islands

Anyone wanting to check any ZL call sign can do via the MED / RSM website http://www.rsm.govtnz/smart-web/smart/page/-smart/domain/licence/SearchCertificateAndIdentifierPE.wdk

Or contact NZART @ NZART.HQ@clear.net and ask the NZART ARX (Debbie) if the call has been issued .

(Phillip ZL2TZE)

MEDIA WATCH
www.cq-amateur-radio.com/WorldRadio.html
VK Club Bulletins http://groups.yahoo.com/group/aarnie/

The August edition of Amateur Radio magazine

On the cover is Wally Green VK6WG, turned 100 and still achieving. Also foreshadowed is an upcoming story on another centenarian, Pearce Healey VK2APQ.

In the WIA Comment there's the IARU latest by President Michael Owen VK3KI, explaining its vital role leading up to, and during, the World Radio Conference.

We learn about Willis Island visited by David Burton VK9WBM.

In Foundation Corner, Geoff Emery VK4ZPP revisits home brewing, a very good read for everyone.

At the other end of the demographic is a call to join the RAOTC.

There's news of the reformed Parkes Radio Club VK2BPK and the Hills Amateur Radio Group VK6AHR in action.

Spotlight on SWLing has Robin Harwood VK7RH lamenting that Radio Netherlands is to stop some broadcasts and Deutsche Welle has made cuts already.

There are the columns from ALARA, AMSAT, Contests, DX, VHF & UHF -- and writings from each state.

Amateur Radio magazine a membership service, is also available at selected news agents.

I'm Barry Robinson VK3PV and you're listening to VK1WIA.

Hello Listeners. I am peter Harding, VK4OD the WIA RD Contest Manager. The Rules and my introduction to the 2011 Remembrance Contest, are in the July edition of the Amateur Radio Magazine. Or you can download a copy of these rules when you can log onto the WIA website. At the bottom of the RD Contest page is a link to download a PDF copy of the Rules and my introduction, or you can email me at rdlogs@wia.org.au and I can send a copy of both (if required) in PDF format.

Basically, there has been NO changes since last year, however, as this is the WIA's Premier Annual Contest, I like to get the rules published each year.

Due to some request's and a discussion's at this year's AGM in Darwin the Start and finish times of the contest remain the same however it MAY change for next year's contest.

I would ask that any newly licensed Amateur Operator taking part in this year's contest take the time to read the rules.

As we did last year, I have include the new section for World WARII equipment. This equipment can be on HF or VHF. Please read the rules regarding criteria for this equipment.

Today is the 17th July and as this news goes to air, you have about 4 weeks to check your equipment, logs sheets, and Logging Software updates.

Over the next couple of weeks I will make available, at the bottom of the RD Contest page, printable log sheets, declarations, etc.
Until next week.

SOCIAL SCENE

2011

Jul 16 VK3 Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club Hamfest
Cranbourne Community Hall 10am
(secretary@ggrec.org.au)

Jul 16 VK4 Maryborough Electronics and Radio Group "Wide Bay Hamfest"
West Scout Hall, Ariadne St, Maryborough 8:30am.
secretary@merg.org.au

Jul 31 VK2/3 Riverina Field Day 10am at Lavington Scout Group Hall.

Aug 7 VK2 Lismore region - SARCFEST

Aug 28 VK2 Blue Mountains amateur radio club's annual WINTERFEST
andrewvaughan230@gmail.com

Sep 11 VK3 SADARC Comms Day at St Augustine's Hall Shepparton 10am.

Sep 16-18 VK4 NQ Amateur Radio Convention Date Set Townsville

Sep 23-28 R3 Region 3 ARDF Championship Bendigo VK3
http://r3.ardf.org.au/

Sep 30-Oct 2 VK4 Central Highlands Amateur Radio Club AGM at Camp Fairbairn
CONTACT Secretary Gordon, (vk4kal@wia.org.au)

Nov 20 vk5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society Hamfest
Goodwood Community Centre, Rosa St Goodwood at 0930.
Visit www.ahars.com.au for contact details

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15TH IARU REGION 3 CONFERENCE hosted by V.A.R.C. in Ho-Chi-Minh City, Vietnam.

JAN 23-FEB 17 YEAR 2012
World Radio Conference WRC-11 Geneva 23rd January TO 17th February 2012

FEB 26 VK2 CCARC WYONG FIELD DAY

MAY 3-18 VK5 YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

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From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20110715090004.C744733C69@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4289
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Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1770 - July 15 2011

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1770 with a release date of
Friday, July 15 2011 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. The deployment of ARISSat One is delayed,
the FCC initiates a big project to bring the Internet to students and
schools; the Hurricane Watch Net is looking to expand its storm spotter
database, and love triumphs at Field Day. Find out the details are on
Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1770 coming your way right
now.

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: ANOTHER ARISSAT-1 DELAY

The orbiting of ARISSat One has been delayed for a few weeks. Bill
Pasternak, WA6ITF, is in the newsroom with the latest details:

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According to ARISSat One Project Manager Gould Smith, WA4SXM , the
former Suit-Sat will not make an appearance in space until sometime in
August.

In a news release, Smith said he and ARISS Hardware Engineer Lou
McFadin, W5DID participated in a teleconference call this week with
NASA to review the Roscosmos spacewalk procedures for the release of
ARISSat One during E-V-A 29. For those who never heard the term before,
E-V-A is an acronym for Extra Vehicular Activity and is NASA-ese for
describing a spacewalk

Smith now says the discussion centered on preparation procedures
including the battery being charged and assembled into the satellite.
Also discussed were the procedures to remove the protective quilts from
the solar cells and turning on the safety switches prior to deployment.

During a later teleconference Sergey Samburov, RV3DR announced that the
ARISSat One battery will be charged in late July and a test of the
system will be conducted from the ISS from 1915 UTC July 30th to about
1200 or 1400 UTC July 31st. The standard ARISSat One 2 meter downlink
band plan should be transmitted as well as the FM signal also
downlinked on 437.55 MHz.

The ARRISSat One team believes that it is looking at an August 3rd date for actual deployment, but notes that this is all subject to change.

More information as it becomes available. For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the newsroom in Los Angeles.

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More on ARISSat One in future Amateur Radio Newsline reports. (ANS)

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RADIO EDUCATION: FCC ANNOUNCES LEARNING ON THE GO

The FCC has officially launched an innovative program for 20 schools and libraries in 14 states aimed at giving participating Kindergarten through 12th grade students off-premises connections to the Internet. This, to increase access to digital textbooks, cutting-edge interactive learning tools, and other innovative wireless technologies. Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP, has the details:

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The new FCC wireless pilot project is called "Learning On-The-Go," and will provide up to $9 million for the 20 schools and libraries selected for the 2011-2012 funding year. It builds on the FCC's major modernization of the E-rate program last fall, and follows recommendations of the National Broadband Plan. Previously, the E-rate program supported on-campus connectivity only.

According to a 2010 E-rate survey, approximately 50 percent of the schools and libraries that responded indicated that they plan to implement or expand the use of digital textbooks and other wireless devices for digital learning. The 20 selected projects include initiatives to improve off-campus access to e-textbooks for students; connectivity for netbooks for students living in remote, isolated areas and access to flexible, online education programs for home-bound students unable to attend classes.

To initiate the funding process, the FCC has issued an order listing the 20 selected project applicants, outlining participant reporting requirements and more detailed information about the program.

Last September, the FCC initiated the pilot program in its Schools and Libraries Sixth Report and Order and, in November, it issued a public notice setting a December application deadline. The Commission received 94 applications and, in March, issued a public notice announcing the initial selected project participants.

Qualified pilot programs will be funded in the 2011through 2012 school year, assuming compliance with all other program requirements.

This pilot program is one of a series of initiatives in the FCC Education Agenda to modernize the E-rate program to help bring fast, affordable Internet access to schools and libraries across the country.

In addition to this program's goal to support off-campus wireless Internet connectivity for mobile learning devices for schools and libraries across the country, the Schools and Libraries Sixth Report and Order is also helping to bring super-fast fiber connections to schools and libraries all across the country via unused fiber optic lines already in place.

The FCC has also opened the door to what it calls "School Spots" where schools have the option to provide Internet access to the local community after students go home. This the regulatory agency says can bring the benefits of super-fast broadband to people who otherwise lack access to the Internet.

Under the "Learning On-The-Go" pilot program, mobile learning devices enable teachers and parents to tailor school curriculum and interactive learning to students' skill sets. Digital textbooks never go out of date and students will have greater opportunities to access the latest educational curriculum available.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP, in Scottsdale, Arizona.

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The FCC's adds that its E-rate program will continue to support schools and libraries across America working toward the goal of helping ensure that the nations students receive the best education and the high-tech skills to compete in the 21st Century economy. A copy of the FCC Order is available on the FCC website at tinyurl.com/fcc-learning (FCC)

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RESCUE RADIO: HURRICANE WATCH NET LOOKING FOR ADDITIONAL REPORTING STATIONS

The Hurricane Watch Net is currently looking for amateur radio operators who are located in hurricane prone areas to become part of a database of "Official Reporting Stations."

One of the functions of Hurricane Watch Net is to provide on the ground, real-time weather data to the forecasters at the National Hurricane Center in Miami, Florida. The Hurricane Watch Net gets this information from amateur radio reporting stations who volunteer their time to monitor data from their home weather stations and report that data to the net that operates on 14.325 MHz.

One important benefit of registering in the database is that the Hurricane Watch Net will notify you of upcoming activations should you be located in the affected area of a storm. If you are interested in joining the Hurricane Watch Net's team as one of its Official Reporting Stations, take your web browser to www dot hwn dot org. Then click on the words "Join Our Team" and complete and submit the short web form that you will see on your screen. Also keep in mind that this is one

ham radio activity where the information you provide as a net member could help save lives. (HWN)

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RESTREUCTURING: EUROPEAN CB'ERS GET SSB OPERATION

A decision by the European Union has paved the way for the use of Single Sideband on 27 MHz CB across the British Isles and Europe. The revised regulation will permit European CB operators the use of SSB equipment running 12 watts Peak Envelope Power output in the frequency band 26.960 to 27.410 MHz. The European Union decision to permit SSB on 11 meters came into force on June 24th and carries a preferred implementation by national telecommunications administrations of October 1st. (Southgate)

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RADIO RULES: LIGHTSQUARED MAY BE ATTEMPTING TO BYPASS FCC REGULATION

The GPS versus broadband saga continues. According to the July 7th issue of the aviation industry newsletter ainonline.com, LightSquared appears to be attempting do an end-run around the FCC to try to get its proposed high speed broadband service into operation.

Possibly recognizing that the July 1st final report on GPS testing showed that interference from its proposed broadband system was worse than predicted, the newsletter says that LightSquared lawyers are now bypassing the FCC and submitting technical papers directly to the United Nation's International Telecommunications Union in Geneva.

As we all know, the I-T-U is the world body that allocates frequency bands internationally within the radio spectrum to different user groups such as aviation, surface and weather. It also regulates and monitors their use. As such, ITU rules are regarded as much stricter than the typical recommendations made by any government telecommunications agency.

Meanwhile, both LightSquared and the GPS community are accelerating their public-relations campaigns. LightSquared is announcing initial customers and statements of support from Internet and voice-over-Internet providers for its 4G broadband system. This, while the GPS industry warns of ominous test results regarding interference from LightSquared's signals that could become a matter of life and death for first responders, such as ambulances, police and fire department vehicles.

In Congress, the House of Representatives included in a financial appropriations bill a prohibition on further FCC expense on LightSquared's proposal, even including staff salaries, until the company presents a complete GPS protection plan.

And in a late breaking development, a federal report documenting GPS interference by the proposed LightSquared satellite-terrestrial

broadband network has been released. In its findings, the National Telecommunications and Information says that it supports a recommendation that additional tests be performed and also recommends that the FCC continue to withhold authorization for LightSquared to commence commercial operations until all the available test data can be analyzed and all valid concerns have been resolved. More is on-line at tinyurl.com/arn-lightsquared-3. (ainonline.com, RW)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the WD6HFR repeater serving the region around Palomar, California.

(5 sec pause here)

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RESCUE RADIO: FCC REMINDS VPD'S OF OBLIGATION TO AIR EMCOMM INFORMATION TO THE DISABLED

The FCC says that in light of the recent flooding in the south, the tornadoes in various parts of the country, and the already active storm season, that it is issuing a Public Notice on information distribution. This, to remind video programming distributors of their obligation to make emergency information accessible to persons with hearing and vision disabilities in accordance with section 79.2 of the Commission's rules. Amateur Radio Newsline's Jim Davis, W2JKD, has the details:

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Under section 79.2, emergency information encompasses what the regulatory agency calls critical details regarding the emergency and how to respond to it. It also must provide information for consumers about how to contact their video programming distributor or the Commission regarding compliance with the rule. Those affected include broadcasters, cable operators, satellite television services, and "any other distributor of video programming for residential reception that delivers such programming directly to the home.

The FCC adds that the need to comply with section 79.2 and make the critical details of urgent information accessible is not always limited to the immediate geographic areas affected by the emergency. This is because in some cases information such as the relocation of individuals outside that immediate geographic area also falls within the rule's mandate. Accordingly, compliance with section 79.2 could include providing information to non-impacted areas sheltering individuals displaced by a large-scale disaster. This might include incidents such as the recent tornado devastation to Joplin, Missouri or in 2005 when Hurricane Katrina struck the Gulf Coast.

Im Jim Davis, W2JKD.

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The FCC says that all video programming distributors that air emergency information are required to make this information accessible who are visually or aurally handicapped. There are no exemptions to section 79.2. A local broadcast licensee is responsible for complying with section 79.2 regardless of the technology used to deliver its signal to consumers. (FCC)

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RESCUE RADIO: TORNADO VIDEO NOW ON LINE

A anthology of broadcast television and radio coverage of recent tornadoes and their aftermath that was shown at the recent National Association of Broadcasters Education Foundation's Celebration to Service to America Awards is now available for anyone to view on-line. The six-plus minute clip shows the twisters along with a series of TV meteorologists warning people to take cover.

One clip from a live news chopper shows the tornado funnel from the level of the cloud ceiling. Another shot shows a twister hitting what appears to be a Mack truck and shredding it into sheets of metal that blow away like tissue paper.

The second half shows aftermath stories including relief efforts. The video is in cyberspace at tinyurl.com/arn-tornado-video (TVB)

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RESCUE RADIO: HUNTINGTON BEACH CA. ROLLS OUT NEW EMCOMM UNIT

Huntington Beach, California has introduced its new emergency communications trailer to the public. According to Wayne Yoshida, KH6WZ, on Field Day weekend the new response unit made its first public appearance.

Yoshida says that the new unit was purchased by the City of Huntington Beach using homeland security grant funds. In addition to amateur radio, the trailer is also equipped with two-way radio gear for the city's police and fire departments making it a universal mobile command station tool. (KH6WZ)

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ENFORCEMENT: NEW FINES INSTITUTED FOR ILLEGAL USE OF LASERS

Federal aviation officials say they will start imposing fines against people who point lasers at planes and helicopters, which can temporarily blind pilots. Agency officials released a new legal interpretation they said will allow them to fine people who point the lasers as much as $11,000 per incident.

According to the FAA, pilots have reported over 1,100 such incidents in the U.S. so far this year. These incidents have also increased rapidly around the world over the past six years. This as online sales of

newer and more powerful handheld lasers have soared.

The lasers are being marketed as an astronomical tool to point out stars at night but a government spokesman says that people are also pointing them at truck drivers, bus drivers and even individual motorists. The spokesman calls that this is a ridiculous kind of behavior and it needs to be stopped and stopped quickly.

So far this year, the Phoenix and Dallas-Fort Worth regions have each recorded more than 45 such dangerous laser events. Meantime, the Los Angeles, Philadelphia and Houston areas each have recorded more than illegal 30 laser pointings. (FAA and other published news reports)

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ENFORCEMENT: BIG FINE FOR TOWER LIGHT FAILURE REDUCED

A fine against Big Fish Broadcasting for antenna lighting violations has progressed to a forfeiture order.

Big Fish owns a tower in Greenwood, S outh Carolina and used to own one in Chappells, South Carolina. It sold the latter one to Radio Training Network Inc. in April 2010.

The commission says the red obstruction lights were out for both towers and that the company didn't notify the FAA of the outages. In a recent decision, the agency said both towers required painting and a lit, flashing red beacon up top, along with steady burning red side obstruction lights.

Responding to a complaint about tower outages, the FCC's Atlanta office had contacted the FAA, which said no outage report had been filed for the towers. As a result, no Notice to Airmen or NOTAM had been issued for the unlit structures.

According to the Commission's summary of the case, in July 2009, the agency notified told Big Fish's owner the towers were his responsibility. He responded that he would check into it and notified the FAA about the outages that month. That October and again in November, the FCC confirmed the towers were still unlit after sunset and there was no power to the site. The agency said the local power company confirmed electricity to both towers was shut off in 2009.

In July 2010, the commission issued a $20,000 fine to Big Fish. In response, the broadcaster argued that it did not receive the notice until 30 days after its release and, by then, had already taken steps to fix the violations. Big Fish also said the company couldn't pay the full amount and asked for a reduction based on past good compliance with FCC rules.

The FCC expects violations to be corrected so it did not knock off any penalty because of that; however it did cut the fine to $7,000 based on documentation proving the company couldn't pay the full amount. Big Fish was given the customary 30 days to pay or to file an appeal. (RW)

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ENFORCEMENT: $10,000 FINE AFFIRMED FOR UNLICENSED OPERATION

The FCC has affirmed a $10,000 Forfeiture Order issued to Antonio Robinson for willful and repeated violation of section 301 of the Communications Act. The alleged violations involved Robinson's alleged operation of an unlicensed radio station on 105.5 MHz from his commercial suite in Miami, Florida.

Back on May 5th, the Enforcement Bureau's Miami Office issued a Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture in the amount of $10,000 to Robinson. Since that time Robinson has not filed a response to the Notice. Based on the information before us, the FCC has affirmed the forfeiture order and has given Robinson the customary 30 days to pay or to file an appeal. (FCC)

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THE SOCIAL SCENE: EMCOMM EAST CONFERENCE ON SEPTEMBER 25 IN ROCHESTER, NY

Turning to the ham radio social calander, word that the 2011 EmComm East Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Conference is now slated for Sunday, September 25th at St. John Fisher College in Rochester, New York. The featured speaker will be ARRL Emergency Preparedness and Response Manager Mike Corey, W5MPC.

EmComm East is sponsored by Monroe County Amateur Radio Emergency Service, Inc. Registration is now open. More information is on-line at www.emcommeast.org or by e-mail to info (at) emcommeast (dot) org. (Emcommeast)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: VK4XJJ WALKING ACROSS AUSTRALIA OPERATING HF

Jeff Johnson VK4XJJ is walking across Australia to raise Money for a charity known as the Newborn Emergency Transport Service. At last reports, he is now roughly half way across the country and he is looking for contacts from stations in the west on 14.090 MHz Upper Sideband at 06:30 UTC. Jeff will also be found on 7.045 Lower Sideband at 07:30 UTC, Jeff then moves back to 14.090 at approximately 07:40 UTC. More is on the web at www dot jeffswalk2 dot com. (WIA News)

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CORRECTION: RIGHT COMPANY BUT WRONG CALL

And a quick correction to my story about the Internet podcast Ham Nation on last weeks Newsline. It turns out that it was Eric Swartz, WA6HHQ, that was Leo Laport's college roommate, not Wayne Burdick, N6KR. Swartz and Burdick are of coarse the two hams that founded Elecraft several years ago. (ARNewsline(tm))

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

(5 sec pause here)

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RADIO GEER: ANYONE NEED AN RCA FM BROADCAST TRANSMITTER

Anybody got a good home for an RCA FM broadcast transmitter? According to Radio World on-line, the box in question is a model BTF-40E FM transmitter that currently resides on Cougar Mountain near Seattle, Washington.

The BTF-40E is described as actually being a pair of model BTF-40E's using a combiner to produce about 33,000 watts total power out. And before you ask, no, we do not know if it can be converted for use on the two meter band. Besides which, the power put out by the driver stage would likely exceed the maximum that's legal on the ham radio bands. But, on the other hand, it could make a nice living room conversation piece for any ham whose X-Y-L would let it in the front door.

Bryan Jones of equipment dealer RF Specialties Group says one of his clients is about to dispose of it to make room for a new unit. He welcomes questions about it by e-mail to bryan (at) rfswa (dot) com. (RW)

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: UK COMPANY BEGINS MANUFACTURING WHITE SPACE RADIO GEAR

A UK startup company called Neul has begun manufacturing a white space radio. This, despite the fact that there isn't a single country where such a unitwould be legal to use. At least not yet. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, reports:

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Neul which was launched last year in the United Kingdom city of Cambridge has been talking about protocols and standards for use in the so-called white space where television broadcast frequencies are not being used locally. Now the company which is staffed by some of the UK's top radio developers has real product to sell.

The Neul unit offers connection speeds of up to 16Mb per second for organizations with proper experimental licenses that want to see what white space communications can offer them. And at least in the U-K such licenses are not hard to obtain. Neul says that British

telecommunications regulator Ofcom processed its application within a couple of weeks.

Now it's reported that within a couple of years such a license shouldn't be necessary in the U-K as Ofcom is poised to allow unlicensed exploitation of the nations white spaces. Unlicensed use will be technology neutral, just as 2.4GHz is now, so any networking system will have to contend with garage door openers, baby monitors and the like.

Ofcom says that white space units will be required to check with an online database to see what frequencies are available. It believes that this should prevent the more-trivial applications from bothering more important ones. None the less both regulators and equipment suppliers expect to see a wide variety of applications filling the bandwidth once it opens up in the next few years.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, in Los Angeles.

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While predictions for embedded, and networked, devices vary by tens of billions, but most observers agree that they'll be something in the region of 50 billion such devices looking for a network connection in the next few decades. (MN)

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WORLDBEAT: DUTCH PARLIAMENT APPROVES RADIO NETHERLANDS WORLDWIDE CUTS

Some sad news for Shortwave listeners. The possible end to an era in shortwave broadcasting is here. This after the Dutch parliament votes against two motions which might have blunted the effect of the budget cuts facing Radio Netherlands Worldwide.

One of the proposals called for a separate debate devoted to the future of Radio Netherlands Worldwide. The other criticized the decision-making as hasty and called for a postponement.

Effectively, this vote means that the cabinet's plans to move Radio Netherlands Worldwide operations from control under the Education, Media and Culture Ministry to the Foreign Ministry. Also, to cut the budget from 46.3 million euros to 14 million.

According to the newsletter of the Asia-Pacific Broadcasting Union, the Dutch government wants Radio Netherlands Worldwide to focus on bringing independent information to people in countries without press freedom and to scrap its other functions of providing information for Dutch people living abroad and presenting a realistic image of the Netherlands to other countries. The newsletter said it's unclear how much of the rest of Radio Netherlands Worldwide's existing content can be continued.

Meantime, Radio Netherlands Worldwide station management will now have to draw up an employment cutback plan, which is expected to be completed sometime in October. (Media Network, RNW News, APU)

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WORLDBEAT: VK REPEATER BLOWN OFF HILLTOP BY SEVERE WINDS

Australia's recent stormy weather has claimed another victim. The VK7RNE, north-eastern repeater located on Tower Hill, unexpectedly went off the air recently.

The cause was immediately apparent to the ground crew on its arrival at the scene. The shed that housed the repeater was found lying on its side, along with all its contents, some way down the mountain. It had literally been knocked off its foundation by the wind.

The radio equipment has been recovered but currently there are no plans at present to reinstate the repeater. This sad event thus brings about the close of a chapter in the repeater history of VK7.

The VK7RNE has long provided a useful service to that part of the state and was a tribute to Paul Godden, VK7KPG, and his small group that first installed and then maintained the facility over the years. Some members of the group are now silent keys. In recent years the annual Australian license fee has been underwritten by the North West Tasmanian Amateur Television Group. (WIA News)

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ON THE AIR" BATTLE OF BRITAIN STATION BECOMES PERMANENT SPECIAL EVENT

On the air, keep an ear open for U-K special event station GB4BOB to be active from September 1st to the 20th to commemorate the World War Two Battle of Britain. After running this station as a one-off for the battles 70th anniversary, the Pontefract and District Amateur Radio Society has now decided to keep it as an annual event to remember those who fought in it. QSL's go direct to G0BPK or via the RSGB bureau. More is on the Pontefract and District Amateur Radio Society website at www.pdars.com (Southgate)

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ON THE AIR: CELEBRATING THE FLIGHT OF LIBERTY BELL 7

Back on this side of thre Atlantic, the 50th Anniversary of the Flight of the Liberty Bell 7 spacecraft by astronaut Virgil I. "Gus" Grissom will be celebrated by the Hoosier Hills Ham Club. This, by activating special event station W9GUS on Saturday, July 23.

The station will be located in Spring Mill State Park at the Grissom Memorial near Mitchell Indiana. Operation will be 10 am to 4 pm Central U-S Daylight Savings Time with stations on 40, 20 and possibly 6 meters.

For those of you a bit to young to remember, Gus Grissom was one of the original NASA Project Mercury astronauts and a United States Air Force pilot. He was the second American to fly in space and the first astronaut to fly in space twice. Grissom along with fellow astronauts Ed White and Roger Chaffee died during a pre-launch test for the Apollo 1 mission at Cape Canaveral on January 27, 1967 when a spontaneous fire broke out in their command module.

More information about this commemorative operation of the Hoosier Hills Ham Club special event station W9GUS is on-line at www.w9qyq.org (WA9JHH)

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In DX, a group of German operators will be on the air from Ascension Island as Zed-D-8-D from July 24th through August 9th. These are the same dates as previously announced, but their location on the island has changed due to damage to their original planned site. Listen out for Zed-D-8-D operating from a guesthouse in Georgetown which the group says is not the most ideal location. This could handicap their operatrions on 160 and 80 meters. Updates are on-line at www.zd8d.de.

RW6AML will be on Waya Island, Fiji until July 17th. He will be active as 3D2ML on both CW and SSB. QSLs go to his home callsign.

IK5ASN will be active as 9A8ASN from the island of Cres through the 30th of July. He will be on 40 and 20 meters using only SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via IK5SAN, direct or preferably via the bureau.

DL8KX and DD8ZJ will be active as 9H3KX from Gozo Island between October 8th and the 14th. Their operation will be on the High Frequency bands using CW and SSB. QSL via DL8KX either direct or via by the bureau.

KF8UN, will be in Peru between July 22nd and August 16th. He plans to be active stroke OA4 and says that he plans to work 20 meters, devoting August 8th specifically to amateur radio. At other time he will be operating casually at all other times hes on the air. He also plans to be on mobile as time permits. QSL via his home callsign.

Lastly, SM1TDE, will be active stroke O-H-Zero from the Aland Islands group between July 21st and the 24th. Look for him around 2 kHz from the band edges on CW on 80 through 10 meters. This operations will be holiday style meaning he will be on the air only as time permits QSL via the bureau, and Logbook of the World.

Above from various DX news sources.

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THAT FINAL ITEM: LOVE AND MARRIAGE AT FIELD DAY

And finally this week, the story of a romance that ended at a Field Day Wedding. From down-under, heres VK2BUI:

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When you think about ARRL Field Day, a few things come to mind: food, radios, food, antennas, food and friends. And food. But one couple took things a little bit further when they got married at their Field Day site.

Kevin Shissler, K1FQ, and Debra Hubbard, N1FQ, love Field Day so much that they decided it was the perfect place to share their love for each other and for amateur radio.

Wearing their 2011 ARRL Field Day shirts, they tied the knot at the Field Day, swapping the 20 meter band for a band of gold.

And as an aside, In April 2010, N1FQ donated 60 percent of her liver to a co-worker Jan Watson. Now Jan -- a happy Jan
-- had her chance to return the favor. She officiated the wedding.

Amateur radio amour. Do we get bonus points for this?

Reporting the weird and wonderful, I'm John, VK2BUI.

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Our best wishes to the newlywed couple for a long and happy life filled with the very best of DX. (ARRL, WIA)

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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650. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #1018.2

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SOUTH SUDAN UPDATE. Col, MM0NDX, EU Pilot for the DX Friends/Intrepid DX Group's DXpedition to the South Sudan, reports: "The Intrepid DX Group is meeting the DX Friends in Cairo on July 21st. On July 22nd, they all fly from Cairo to Juba, South Sudan. On July 23rd, they will meet with the Ministry of Communications to amend licenses to the new ITU prefix. They expect to be active later on July 23rd, or July 24th, until shut down on August 10th, 2011.

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Information can now be faxed to the following "NEW" phone line at:
1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)

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SOUTH SUDAN IS NOW A NEW DXCC ENTITY AND A MEMBER OF THE UNITED NATION!
Three Special Press Releases

The following is from Paul, N6PSE, labeled - Press Release #5 -- DXpedition to the Republic of South Sudan):

On July 9th, the Republic of South Sudan was born upon their successful declaration of independence from Sudan. The Country of Sudan has congratulated and recognized the Republic of South Sudan.

Today, on July 14th, 2011, the United Nations admitted the Republic of South Sudan as the newest member state. This is a significant achievement for this new country and a significant milestone for amateur radio. It is expected that the ARRL will now add South Sudan to the DXCC list of entities.

The DX Friends and the Intrepid-DX Group continue to move forward with their plans to activate this new entity with a multi-national DXpedition team. With our visas in hand, the teams will soon be making their way towards Africa and ultimately to Juba, the new capitol of this new nation.

We will have five active stations, operating 24 hrs a day.

We will be in regular contact with our US, EU and JA Pilot Stations and we will pay close attention to propagation reports from them. We ask that you please make contact with the pilot stations only during the DXpedition and to please refrain from contacting the team members directly via email. We will announce our call sign once we are in Juba and ready to become active.

Our official website is http://www.dxfriends.com/SouthernSudan2011/

Thank you,
The Intrepid-DX Group and The DX Friends.

PRESS RELEASE From An ARRL Bulletin:

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ARLD028 The Republic of South Sudan Is Now a DXCC Entity

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DX Bulletin 28 ARLD028
From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT July 14, 2011
To all radio amateurs

SB DX ARL ARLD028
ARLD028 The Republic of South Sudan Is Now a DXCC Entity

At 10:18 AM (EDT) on Thursday, July 14, the UN General Assembly met to vote on whether or not to admit the Republic of South Sudan as its 193rd member state. The Republic of South Sudan was unanimously admitted and is now a member of the United Nations; a two-thirds majority is needed to become a member of the UN.

Immediately following the General Assembly meeting, the flag of the Republic of South Sudan flew for the first time in front of the UN, ceremoniously marking its membership in the UN.

Now that the Republic of South Sudan is a member of the United Nations, the new country is now a DXCC entity by way of Section II, 1(a) of the DXCC rules. The DXCC Desk will begin immediately accepting QSOs for this new entity, with a start date of July 14, 2011.

According to DXCC Manager Bill Moore, NC1L, the Honor Roll numbers move from 340 to 341 for the Top of the Honor Roll, and for Honor Roll it becomes 332. "The deadline for the Honor Roll and annual listings is December 31, so you must submit the new entity to DXCC by then in order to retain your Honor Roll status," Moore explained.

"For Logbook of The World (LoTW), you may submit all your QSOs with the Republic of South Sudan stations anytime. There is no need to hold them out of your log or do anything differently from what you already have been doing. You do not need to assign country names or identifiers. After we issue certificates to the Republic of South Sudan license holders, LoTW will make matches and assign the correct entities automatically."

As of July 14, the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) has not announced a prefix block for the Republic of South Sudan.
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Press Release from Rich Moseson, W2VU, Editor of CQ Communications,
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NEWS RELEASE
South Sudan Added to CQ DX Countries List (Hicksville, NY July 14, 2011)
- The Republic of South Sudan is the newest addition to the CQ DX Award
Countries List, CQ DX Awards Manager Billy Williams, N4UF, announced
today. It is #342. Verifications confirming contacts after July 14, 2011
(the date of its admission to the United Nations) are acceptable for
credit. No award credit is available for southern Sudan contacts made
during the 1980s and 90s.

The new addition will be reflected in CQ DX Honor Roll totals to be
compiled near the end of September. The July listings will not include
the new addition and will be based on 341 active countries. (See
paragraphs 21 through 24 on the CQ DX web page at:
http://home.earthlink.net/~bfwillia/page3.html
Note in paragraph 24 that "the Award Manager will allow at least 30
days between the date of his announcement and any Honor Roll revisions
that reflect the new maximum count.")

Verifications may be checked by a CQ Checkpoint or sent to the Award
Manager. Include return postage or SASE with updates if you send cards
or desire a reply. Updates are accepted only via postal mail.

The CQ DX Award Countries List contains 342 entities including Kosova.
Endorsement stickers for 340 are not yet available. When stickers are
available, an announcement will be posted on the CQ DX web page (see
URL above). As of this time, the International Telecommunication Union
has not yet issued a callsign prefix block for South Sudan.

For purposes of the CQ DX Field Award, most of South Sudan is in field
KJ; small northern portions (above 10 degrees north latitude) are in
field KK. More information on the CQ DX Field Award is available at
<http://www.cq-amateur-radio.com/cq_awards/cq_dx_awards/cq_dx_field_award/cq_dx_field_award.html>
and at <http://home.earthlink.net/~bfwillia/gridfield.html#CQ DX FIELD AWARD RULES>.

In addition, South Sudan will count as a country (entity) multiplier for
the CQ DX Marathon, the CQ World Wide DX Contest and any other CQ contests
that use country multipliers.

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652. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 17th July 2011

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GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 17th July 2011

The news headlines:

* Results of RSGB Survey released

* Error found in Ofcom licensing system

* Dutch to get 500kHz and 70MHz bands

>From October to December last year the RSGB ran a major online survey of amateur radio enthusiasts. The intention was to capture the current state of the hobby and how it might develop over the next decade or so. The analysis of the survey has been completed and has turned up some interesting results. The detailed findings have now been published and can be downloaded from the RSGB website at www.rsgb.org/survey/analysis. A short article will appear in the August RadCom that puts the results in context.

An error has been discovered in the Ofcom licensing system that appeared to allow the reissue of callsigns. This is being investigated by Ofcom and will be corrected as soon as possible. Any incorrect callsigns issued will be revoked and replaced with a callsign of the correct series.

A recent change of the National Allocation Table in the Netherlands shows that Dutch amateurs will get a secondary allocation from 501-505kHz until 1 January 2014 and a secondary allocation from 70.0-70.5MHz. The allocations will not start until an update is made of certain frequency control legislation.

As preparations for the Olympics gather pace, Airwave has announced that its specialist TETRA Network, Apollo, is ready to provide voice communications in the London area. This uses UHF spectrum that is separate from the amateur 70cm allocation, however the scale of the games is such that additional spectrum may still be needed from the 70cm band on a temporary basis. Further to previous announcements, testing will occur in the Weymouth and Portland area between Wednesday 20 July and Saturday 13 August. These are expected to take the form of spot frequency transmissions in the range 431 to 432MHz and one near 436MHz, plus telemetry channels at 432.65, 432.85, 433.65 and 433.85MHz. All amateurs are requested to respect these tests and not interfere with them. Further information can be found on the RSGB website at www.rsgb.org/olympics.

The lecture programme for the RSGB Convention in October is nearly full. 60 of the 65 lecture slots have been filled and a new provisional lecture timetable has been uploaded to the Convention website, www.rsgb.org/rsgbconvention.

A new free sample edition of RadCom is now available to read online or download from the RSGB website. The sample RadCom is available in digital magazine format for reading online, which requires a Flash plug- in to your browser. For those who would like to save the magazine to their computer, or do not have Flash installed, a 24 megabyte PDF version is available. The sample is the March 2011 edition. Crystal Palace Radio & Electronics Club is starting a new Foundation course. It will take place on four Saturday mornings, commencing on 24 September and ending with the exam on 22 October. Contact Bob on 01737 552170 or email g3oou@aol.com for more information or to join the course.

Production company The Garden is inviting people to get involved in a new TV programme for Channel 4. They are looking for people with a wide variety of skills and voices to form a group to help someone at a crossroads in their life. They said that a radio amateur might be an interesting person to add to the mix. To find out more please call Tom Wilde on 0203 465 9079 or email takepart@thegardenproductions.tv. Filming will take place for a week in August.

The French radio club Provin, F6KOP is known for activations like TJ9PF, J5C, XT2C and many others. Its premises were recently burgled and all of its equipment was stolen. Unfortunately, the club's insurance did not cover the theft. A list of stolen equipment, including serial numbers, is on the club website at www.f6kop.com. Click on the flashing word HOT! to see the list.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

The McMichael Rally and Boot Sale takes place today, 17 July, at Reading Rugby Club, just off the A4 east of Reading. There is free car parking and admission is £2. Traders and special interest groups will be in attendance and a car boot sale area is available. The gates open at 9.30am. Details from Pete, G8FRC on 01189 695697.

Also today is QRP in Country at Upton Bridge Farm, Long Sutton, Langport TA10 9NJ. The Bath Buildathon team, led by Steve Hartley, G0FUW, will be supervising construction and George Dobbs, G3RJV will be attending and commenting on a Show & Tell display, so please bring along lots of homebrew things for all to see. Rob Mannion, G3XFD, Editor of PW, the RSGB and other QRP personalities will be there. Entry is free and details can be found at www.walfordelectronics.co.uk.

Bletchley Park is today celebrating the important contribution made by three Polish mathematicians for their work on breaking the Enigma codes. As part of the annual Polish Day celebrations, Bletchley Park will also be remembering other Polish contributions and involvement in World War II. The day will include Polish dancing, food and displays, themed talks and a Spitfire fly-past by the Battle of Britain Memorial

Flight.

Northumbria Amateur Radio Club is holding a Bring and Buy sale on Saturday 23 July, starting at 10am. Everyone is very welcome to come along. To sell items, please forward details to the club secretary Roy, G0AXJ, by email to roymccluskey@hotmail.co.uk, or telephone 0741 2659 150, as soon as possible. For full details please visit the NARC website, www.g4aax.org.uk, where you will find appropriate links associated with this event.

Now for the news of special events

Today, 17 July, Pontefract & District Amateur Radio Society is on its second and final day operating GB1AVR for Ackworth Vintage Rally. The site is at Watertower Field, Ackworth.

GB6MMR will be on the air today from the McMichael Mobile Rally near Reading. Operation is on 2m and 70cm. From 20 until 24 July GB4WP will be operating from the War and Peace Show at The Hop Farm, Paddock Wood, Kent. Activity will be from Top Band to 2m.

And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

>From 24 July to 2 August an international team of operators will be QRV from Lord Howe Island, IOTA OC- 004, on all bands from 6 to 160m. This includes the RSGB IOTA contest on 30 and 31 July. The callsign to listen for is VK9HR. All details can be found at www.vk9hr.com and you can see equipment preparations in progress by searching for VK9HR on youtube.com. All team members are linked to the Hellenic Amateur Radio Association of Australia.

Dave, ZR6DG will be active as C92DG from Tofo in Mozambique until 28 July. His plans are to do two DX sessions a day along with Helge, ZS6HB. QSL via ZR6DG.

Look for Stefan, DF8HS/P to be active from Fehmarn Island, which is IOTA reference EU-128, until 29 July. QSL via home call, bureau preferred.

Eric, SM1TDE will be active holiday style as OH0/SM1TDE from Eckero, Aland Islands, which is IOTA reference EU-002, from 21 to 24 July. QSL via the bureau and Logbook of The World.

Now the contest news

Today, Sunday 17 July sees the Low Power Contest taking place from 0900 to 1600UTC. Using the 3.7 and 7MHz bands, CW only, the exchange is signal report, serial number and power. Also today, from 1000 to 1600UTC is the 70MHz trophy. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The UHF UK Activity Contest takes place on Tuesday 19 July from 1900 to 2130UTC. Operating on the 23cm band using all modes, signal report, serial number and locator form the exchange.

On Thursday 21 July from 1900 to 2030UTC it's the RSGB 80m Club Championships. Using data modes only on the 80m band, the exchange is signal report and serial number.

Next Sunday, 24 July, is the WAB QRO 2m phone contest, which runs from 1000 until 1400UTC. Using all modes on the 2m band, the exchange is signal report, serial number and WAB square.

And now the solar factual data for the period from the 4th to the 10th of July, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on the 11th of July.

The solar disc had sunspot groups visible every day with up to five groups on the 8th. Solar activity was very low except for the 7th when a single C class solar flare took place. Then during a six hour period on the 8th, as a group emerged, four C class solar flares took place. Solar flux levels varied little and averaged 86 units, but on the 10th increased to 91. The 90 day solar flux average on the 10th was 99 units. That's one unit down on last week. X-ray flux levels averaged B1.2 units and showed little variation day to day. Geomagnetic activity was just unsettled on most days for one reason or another, first a glancing blow from a coronal mass ejection on the 4th and the 5th and then a coronal hole disturbance on the 9th and the 10th. The 7th was the quietest day with an Ap index of 6 units. The average was Ap 10 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds vary between 330 and 540 kilometres per second. Particle densities increased to 22 particles per cubic centimetre on the 8th and the 9th. The remaining days were low. Bz varied between minus 4 and plus 3 nanoTeslas on the quietest day and between minus 9 and plus 10 nanoTeslas during the disturbances.

And now the solar forecast. This week solar activity is expected to be at very low levels but could increase on some days. Solar activity should be around the 90 mark for most of the week. Geomagnetic activity should be quiet for at least the next couple of days before a recurring coronal hole disturbance arrives and when it does it will last till the weekend. The disturbance should not be too strong; the Ap index should be in the teens during the second half of the week. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 20MHz for the south and 17MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows are expected to be about 13MHz. Paths this week to South Africa should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 26MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 21MHz. Paths going directly over the equator will not be effected by the coronal hole disturbance and the best time to try this path will be between 1100 and 1600 hours. Sporadic-E is expected to take place most days on the lower VHF bands but the chance of an opening up to 144MHz is now becoming less likely as the peak of the season as now passed. A new solar activity near real time service has been launched on Twitter by G0CAS. It can be found by searching on Twitter for spots and flares, that's without the spaces.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your

transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS On Sunday 17 July Hinckley Amateur Radio Society is taking part in the low power field day. Details from John, M0JAV, on 07836 731544.

On Monday 18 July Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is having an informal meeting. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548478, daytime.

On Monday 18 July Lincoln Short-Wave Club is holding a committee meeting. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

On Monday 18 July South Birmingham Radio Society is having an open meeting with the shack on the air. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Monday 18 July South Normanton Alfreton & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a junk sale. Details from A Lawrence, 2E0BQS, by email to adylawri@btinternet.com.

On Monday 18 July Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society is having a DF Hunt and barbecue at Rupert's Viewpoint. For more information contact Peter D Rivers, G4XEX, on 01858 432105.

On Tuesday 19 July Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk and demo on the High Performance Software Defined Radio by Steve Haseldine, G8EBM. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 19 July Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a 2m DF hunt. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Wednesday 20 July Bolsover Amateur Radio Society is on the air. Contact Alvey Street, G4KSY, on 01246 827135.

On Wednesday 20 July Lincoln Short-Wave Club is holding a formal meeting. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

On Wednesday 20 July Midland Amateur Radio Society is looking at laptop computers and holding training classes. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 01214 229 787.

On Wednesday 20 July Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is learning to build and fly kites at the LWVH field, or will be holding a quiz if the weather is inclement. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299

677. On Thursday 21 July Cheltenham Amateur Radio Association is having a talk on the PIC-a-STAR project by G3LVP. Contact Derek Thom, G3NKS, on 01242 241099.

On Thursday 21 July Salop Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. Details on the club website at www.salop-ars.org.uk.

On Thursday 21 July South Birmingham Radio Society is having training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Friday 22 July Coventry Amateur Radio Society is having a video night. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777363.

On Friday 22 July South Birmingham Radio Society is having a construction evening. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Saturday 23 July Lincoln Short-Wave Club is in the shack and putting GB2CWP East Kirkby on the air. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND On Sunday 17 July Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is participating in the Low Power Contest. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240573.

On Monday 18 July Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on RAYNET by Geoff Darby. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 0191 477 0036.

On Monday 18 July Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having a portable evening at Whitely Woods and the club fields plus a barbecue at club HQ. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 18 July Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is holding a barbecue at John, G4FRK's. Details on the web at www.tcars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 19 July Chester & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a surplus sale. Details from Barbara Green on 07957 870770.

On Tuesday 19 July Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is operating /P from Lower Wyke starting about 6.45 BST. Participants are invited to bring their own transmitters and aerials although there will be some club equipment available. Contact Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341317.

On Wednesday 20 July Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is running a fox hunt with Richard, G4YTV. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240573.

On Wednesday 20 July Wakefield & District Radio Society continues its Foundation and Advanced licence courses from 13:30. Details from David, G4CLI, on 07748 221855.

On Thursday 21 July Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the 80m Data Club Contest. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240573. On Thursday 21 July Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is

on the air and having a club night. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 0787 608 5631.

On Thursday 21 July South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having a talk on simple electronic test equipment Ged G8RSI. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 0161 969 3999.

On Thursday 21 July Wakefield & District Radio Society having a debrief on the Holy Island DXpedition. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563117.

On Friday 22 July East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is having a radio components catalogues evening. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Saturday 23 July Denby Dale Radio Club commences its weekend special event station GB200HNC for the Huddersfield Narrow Canal bicentenary celebrations at Tunnel End, Marsden. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220126.

On Saturday 23 July Wakefield & District Radio Society continues its Foundation and Advanced licence courses from 13:30. Details from David, G4CLI, on 07748 221855.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND No news items have been received for Northern Ireland this week.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday 19 July Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club evening. Details from Norman, on 07740 946192.

On Thursday 21 July Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is closed. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA On Sunday 17 July Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is at the McMichael Car Boot Sale. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Sunday 17 July Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the RSGB Low Power Field Day. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564242.

On Sunday 17 July Newbury & District Amateur Radio Society is participating in the Low Power Contest. For more information contact Rob, G3LMW, on 01635 862737. On Sunday 17 July Norfolk Amateur Radio Club Radio is by the seaside at West Runton for Low Power Field Day and an informal family day out in a beautiful part of Norfolk. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898678.

On Sunday 17 July Reading & District Amateur Radio Club is running the McMichael Radio Rally at Reading Rugby Club, Sonning. Details are on the web at www.radarc.org.

On Sunday 17 July South Essex Amateur Radio Society is operating field station G4RXE at Canvey Railway and Model Engineering Club. Contact

Norman, M0FZW, on 01268 692776.

On Monday 18 July Braintree & District Amateur Radio Society is operating on 6 or 10m. For more information contact John, M5AJB, on 01787 460 947.

On Monday 18 July Burnham Beeches Radio Club is having a talk on the RSGB by Regional Manager Alison, G8ROG. Contact Dave, G4XDU, on 01628 625 720.

On Monday 18 July Surrey Radio Contact Club is having a fix-it, advice, chin wag and move-it-on evening. Contact John, G3MCX, on 020 8688 3322.

On Tuesday 19 July Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720815.

On Tuesday 19 July Bromley & District Amateur Radio Society is having a practical operating evening. Details from Andy, G4WGZ, on 01689 878089.

On Tuesday 19 July Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is having a club net night. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Tuesday 19 July Verulam Amateur Radio Club is having a club night and looking at data modes, radio to PC connection and CAT with Peter, G4HSO. Details from Tony, 2EOWAP, on 01727 853087.

On Wednesday 20 July Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is having a presentation on operating procedures by Jeremy, G3XZG. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday 20 July Havering & District Amateur Radio Club is having an informal evening and Morse Class with Peter, G3JSR. More information from John, M0UKD, on 07890 222111.

On Wednesday 20 July Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the DX Cluster GB7RDX and bulletin board service GB7LDI by Roger Cooke, G3LDI. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898678.

On Wednesday 20 July Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is having a vintage equipment bring, show and tell evening. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816684.

On Thursday 21 July Colchester Radio Amateurs Club is having an equipment night. More information from Kevan, 2E0WMG, on 07766 543784.

On Thursday 21 July Cray Valley Radio Society is holding its summer social from 8pm at The Bull, Shooters Hill. Details from Bob, M0MCV, on 020 8265 7735 after 8pm.

On Thursday 21 July Horndean & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on St Helena by Mrs Matthews. Contact Stuart, G0FYX, on 023 9247 2846. On Thursday 21 July Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a club night at the shack. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564242.

On Thursday 21 July Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the RSGB Club Data Contest. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898678.

On Friday 22 July Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club is watching "PYE, how we began" and "The wonder Jet". Contact Ron, G3KBR, on 01223 501712.

On Friday 22 July Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having the Chairman's barbecue at G6YPYs QTH. Contact Peter, G4AKG, on 01444 239371.

On Friday 22 July Radio Society of Harrow is having a talk. More information from Linda, G7RJL, on 0208 386 8586.

On Saturday 23 July Hastings Electronics and Radio Club is at the Pevensey boot sale with SARS. Details from Gordon, on 01424 431 909.

On Saturday 23 July Newbury & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club barbecue. For more information contact Rob, G3LMW, on 01635 862737.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST On Sunday 17 July Bristol RSGB Group is attending QRP in the Country at G3PCJ's, Long Sutton, Langport. Details from Robin, G3TKF, on 01225 420442.

On Sunday 17 July Taunton & District Amateur Radio Club is attending QRP in the Country. Contact William, G3WNI, on 01823 666 234 for more information.

On Monday 18 July Appledore & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by Beryl, G1SVP on her trip to Patagonia and Easter Island. Contact Brian Jewell, M0BRB, on 01237 473251 for more information.

On Tuesday 19 July West Devon Radio Club is having a digital modes night with practical demos. Further information from Jules Cuddy, M1AGY, on 01752 291588.

On Wednesday 20 July Trowbridge & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a 144MHz DF, meeting at the club at 7.15. Details from Ian, G0GRI, on 01225 864 698, evenings and weekends.

On Thursday 21 July South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is having its second planning session for ROTA. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695471.

On Thursday 21 July Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the building of aerial tuning units by Peter, G3RZP. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317750.

On Thursday 21 July Yeovil Amateur Radio Club is looking at VHF and UHF portable solutions. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk.

On Friday 22 July North Bristol Amateur Radio Club is having an outdoor meeting. More information from Dick on 01454 218362. On Friday 22 July

Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

On Sunday 24 July Trowbridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having an aerial & kite day at Keevil, near Trowbridge. Details from Ian, G0GRI, on 01225 864 698, evenings and weekends.

NEWS FOR WALES On Monday 18 July Dragon Amateur Radio Club is planning for the IOTA contest. More information from Stewart Rolfe, GW0ETF, on 07833 620733.

On Tuesday 19 July Wrexham Amateur Radio Society is holding a quiz. More information from Patrick, 2W0HUU, on 07947 701 927.

653. Re: get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-15 16:37:45 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <a49391c6-0f68-4534-8996-8e430a6a5eeb@h14g2000yqd.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4293
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On Jul 1, 9:19 pm, kb9rqz <m...@kb9rqz.com> wrote:
> On Jun 26, 11:3

654. HOT ACTRESS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-16 16:51:58 UTC
From: SAMARA <jaidatta9247@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <10e889e4-b981-4424-ba28-1e35ba039aef@d8g2000prf.googlegroups.com>
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KATRINA KAIF RARE PHOTOS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/07/katrina-kaif-wallpapers.html
TAMANNA HOT SEXY PHOTOS & VIDEOS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/07/tamanna-wallpapers.html
PRANITHA LATEST BEAUTIFUL PHOTOS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/06/about-pranitha-praneetha-is-beautiful.html
KAJAL AGARWAL HOT SEXY PHOTOS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/05/kajal-agarwal.html
KATRINA KAIF IN BEAUTIFUL RED DRESS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/05/katrina-kaif_22.html
GOOD LOOKING DEEPIKA PADUKONE
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/05/deepika-padukone_22.html
AISHWARYA RAI UNBELIVABLE PHOTO
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/05/aishwarya-rai.html

FOR FAST UPDATES IN TELUGU FILM INDUSTRY
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655. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-16 18:57:11 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
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Source record: 4295

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656. SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 17 JULY 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-16 19:00:14 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <20110716190006.6D3F833C69@panix2.panix.com>
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SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 17 JULY 2011

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. PLEASE NOTE: for audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail. Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 and 3,695 MHz SSB.

In the news today:

SAARDT MAKES 5 RAE BURSARIES AVAILABLE

FURTHER ARISSAT-1 LAUNCH DELAY

PRESIDENT'S NET TO DISCUSS IARU MOTIONS

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting news items.

SAARDT MAKES 5 RAE BURSARIES AVAILABLE

The South African Amateur Radio Development Trust is making bursaries available for students under 25 who are planning to write the October 2011 Class A Radio Amateur Examination. Through the generous sponsorship of the Tony Reumerman, ZS6AOG, family, the Trust is able to offer five bursaries. The bursary includes the examination fee, SARL student membership subscription for one year and tuition fee of R640. The total bursary amount is R1000.

The closing date for applications is 31 July 2011 For more details and an application form go to www.amateurradio.org.za/bursaries.htm.

FURTHER ARISSAT-1 LAUNCH DELAY

The orbiting of ARISSat One has been delayed for a few weeks. According to ARISSat One Project Manager Gould Smith, WA4SXM, the former Suit-Sat will not make an appearance in space until sometime in August.

In a news release, Smith said he and ARISS Hardware Engineer Lou McFadin, W5DID, participated in a teleconference call this week with NASA to review the Roscosmos spacewalk procedures for the release of

ARISSat One during E-V-A 29. For those who never heard the term before, E-V-A is an acronym for Extra Vehicular Activity and is NASA-ese for describing a spacewalk.

Smith now says the discussion centered on preparation procedures including the battery being charged and assembled into the satellite. Also discussed were the procedures to remove the protective quilts from the solar cells and turning on the safety switches prior to deployment.

During a later teleconference Sergey Samburov, RV3DR, announced that the ARISSat One battery will be charged in late July and a test of the system will be conducted from the ISS from 30 July at 19:15 to about 12:00 or 14:00 UTC July 31. The standard ARISSat One 2 metre downlink band plan should be transmitted as well as the FM signal also down linked on 437,55 MHz.

PRESIDENT'S NET TO DISCUSS IARU MOTIONS

A President's Net will be held on Sunday 24 July from 19:30 to brief the SARL delegates on the motions on the IARU Region 1 Conference Agenda. The motions can be downloaded from www.iaru2011.org.za. The motions cover a wide range of issues affecting amateur radio. The SARL would like your input. Join us next Sunday for the discussion.

NEW AFRICAN COUNTRY

On Thursday, 14 July the UN General Assembly admitted the Republic of South Sudan as its 193rd member state. Immediately following the General Assembly meeting, the flag of the Republic of South Sudan flew for the first time in front of the UN.

Now that the Republic of South Sudan is a member of the United Nations, the new country is now a DXCC entity. However the ITU has not confirmed the new country's callsign prefix.

BARK 40 METRE SUNDAY WINTER WARMER

The Boland Amateur Radio Club will be holding its 40 metre sprint contest on Sunday 24 July from 15:00 - 18:00 CAT. This is a fun activity to promote contacts on 40 metres between radio amateurs in Southern African countries. It is also an ideal opportunity for Mobile stations, Field stations and RaDAR stations to participate. For more information go to page 60 of the SARL "Blue book" available on the SARL web. The full URL is available on the web version of SARL News

(Do not read the url only for web version of SARL News)
http://www.sarl.org.za/public/contests/SARL_2011_Contest%20Manual_issue_9.pdf SARL MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

With just two weeks into the new financial year, over 50% of members have renewed their membership. Invoices were mailed some time ago. If you have not yet responded with your payment please do so as soon as possible. Your support of the SARL as the national body is important for the future of amateur radio. Thank you for your support. When

making bank transfers or electronic payments, please add your name and callsign so that the office can identify your payment.

SARL WEB REMAINS A CHALLENGE

The SARL Web remains a challenge. While the new hosting company is sorting out some of the code and scripting issues, Imaginet will be moving the website to another server on Monday. For the past few weeks the web had to be reset several times a day. Expect disruption on Monday morning.

At this stage it looks if we will have a mirror site running in the next few days when all functionalities will be tested. The website is a priority for the SARL but before making the final move we want to make sure that every aspect works. Some of the uncalled for remarks on the forum will not change the process that we have to follow to ensure that we do not repeat the problems of the past.

CLUB NEWS

The Centurion Radio Amateur Club held a very successful Annual General Meeting on Saturday 9th July 2011 at the Scout Hall in Wierda Park. The following members were elected to the club's new committee:

Chairman: Pam Momberg, ZS6APT; Vice Chairman: James du Toit, ZS6JDT; Secretary: Billy Strumpher, ZS6WPS; Treasurer: Pam Momberg, ZS6APT; Ordinary Committee members: Repeater - Pieter du Toit, ZS6PZ; Technical Training - Rian Venter, ZS6RXY; Technical Forums - Pine Pienaar, ZS6GST; RAE Training/Events - John Longland, ZS6AA; Additional member - Ben Booysen, ZS6BTB.

Thanks to the outgoing committee and chairman for their good work during 2010-2011 and best wishes and strength to the new committee.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is expected to be at very low to low levels. The parade of small sunspots continue with another new region forming to the southeast of 1 251 in the northern hemisphere. Solar activity does remain at very low levels however and there remains a chance for a C-Class flare. None of the current regions are magnetically complex.

For the people doing their own frequency predictions the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be less than 35.

With the winter here 20 m will provide the best opportunities for DX followed by 30 m. There is a chance of 15 m openings to South America.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS 24 July - Boland Amateur Radio Club 40 metre sprint contest 15:00 - 18:00

CAT. 24 July - President's Net at 19:30 CAT. 27 July - 4th leg of SARL Club Competition. 30 July - RTA in Durban. 07 Aug. - SARL HF Phone Competition. 09 Aug. - SARL YL Sprint. 21 Aug. - 3rd leg of SARL Digital Competition. 28 Aug. - SARL HF CW Competition.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 750 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 18:30 CAT on 3 230 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by George, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening, 73.
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657. NZART Headquarters Infoline Issue 234

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-17 06:05:25 UTC
From: Alan Wallace <alan@wallace.net.nz>
Message-ID: <002d01cc4446$f1b39760$d51ac620$@wallace.net.nz>
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>From the Business Manager, Debby ZL2DL

Debby says.

Correction - I must apologise for placing the wrong date in the special issue of HQ Info-line last week for Jamie Pye. He passed away on 2nd July 2011, not June as reported.

SMART

Having recently been questioned by some amateurs regarding silent key and expired call signs, still viewable in SMART, Warren ZL2AJ my deputy ARX made some enquiries with RSM on what the problem is.their response is below:

"RSM is working on the problem of expired amateur callsigns appearing in the SMART database and plan to complete this work over the next few weeks."

Regards

Jeff Hicks

Speaking of SMART, I have been going through the usual annual financial statements and removing those who have not paid their 2011 subscriptions and I notice that one in two new amateurs, who take the offer of a free NZART membership for one year, do not renew the following year. This may be due to financial constraints, so please advise them that an easy monthly payment option of $8.00 can be set up to ensure they continue to remain members.

I urge all branches to encourage these new members to re-join, both for the sake of the Association and for all the hard work, you as branches put in, to get them to pass their examination.

Subscriptions for 2012 out soon

The annual invoice for your 2012 subscription will be included in your August Break In. The cost of subscriptions this year is $95 for transmitting members and $125 for family transmitting/non-transmitting.

If you pay your subscription by the end of November 2011, your membership number will go in a draw to win an Icom VHF Hand Held radio.

HQ Info-line material

As earlier notified, if you are a regular contributor to HQ Info-line, can you please now forward your articles to me at nzart.hq@clear.net.nz, preferably in word format as I am not able to covert pdf files.

Jamie has done a sterling job keeping this regular media update available to members, and as the new temporary (?) editor, I would hate to be the one who cannot pass on all important information because I do not receive it.

That's all from me.Debby ZL2DL

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Message from the President - ZL2KH

There is still a casual vacancy on NZART Council for a councillor for the Midlands District. This vacancy will be filled at the on-air council meeting on 2nd August.
Would any NZART member who is willing to fill this vacancy please send me their details plus a brief CV outlining their qualities that would make them a good councillor before 20th July. Please send the details to: zl2kh@xtra.co.nz <javascript:press_email('zl2kh@xtra.co.nz')>

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World Scout Jamboree - SJ22S

Amateur radio stations have been set up at each World Scout Jamboree since 1957. They provide live-links from the Jamboree to the home countries of the participants over short-wave radio as well as being interesting stations for other amateurs to contact.

>From 27 July till 7 August 2011, the 22nd World Scout Jamboree at Rinkaby in Sweden will be on the air with call sign SJ22S (Scout Jamboree No 22 Sweden). This is a special event call sign.

The station will offer an exciting radio-scouting programme including kit building and fox hunting to the Jamboree participants.

Jim, ZL2APE, who is the NZ National Organiser for the Scout Jamborees on the Air, will be one of the station operators

Google "SJ22S", and go first to the QRZ listing for details of frequencies etc.

Thanks,

Jim Parnell, ZL2APE

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Interview with Vaughan ZL1TGC

An interview on National Radio with Vaughan (ZL1TGC) was mentioned on the Auckland VHF group tonight and given an excellent

review. I have a copy, but haven't listened to more than the opening section, but I thought it would be good to mention (link to) on

the NZART web site.

The link to the mp3 file is
http://podcast.radionz.co.nz/ngts/ngts-20110708-2007-community_radio_in_auckland-048.mp3

With info on the item at
http://www.radionz.co.nz/national/programmes/nights/audio/2493162/community-radio-in-auckland

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Intruder Watch - JORN in the news
An AFP piece making the rounds (was even in the paper here in VR):
http://www.spacemart.com/reports/Australian_radar_failing_to_detect_boatpeople_999.html

Mentions this:
http://www.theage.com.au/national/border-radar-fiasco-20110702-1gwio.html

More about the smallest boat JORN can see:
http://www.defence.gov.au/dmo/msd/sea1444/sea1444.cfm

Might JORN be used more given this?
http://www.spacewar.com/reports/Australian_military_shifting_focus_999.html

Southgate's on it as well:
http://www.southgatearc.org/news/june2011/australian_radar.htm
73, ex-VR2BG/p.

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FMTAG NOTES

CALL BOOK

Preparations are being made for the 2011-2012 Call Book.

Towards the end of July, FMTAG will be contacting each repeater-beacon-link-owning Branch, asking for up-to-date details on its

equipment and repeater trustees, to ensure that the 2011-2012 Call Book is the best ever.

Many thanks for your assistance.

PROPOSALS

That 146.600 MHz be added to the NZART Bandplan for P25 Simplex.

Branch 63 Upper Hutt has applied to add the D-STAR DV digital mode to, and change the location of, its Mount Climie 5425 repeater. The new location will be Topo50 map reference BP32 798.83 423.94. An Engineering Evaluation, in accordance with the MED's Radio Licence Certification Rules (PIB38), shows that the repeater's transmit frequency can remain on 145.425 MHz and the receive frequency can remain on 144.825 MHz, and that there will be no interference to other stations.

Branch 66 Auckland VHF has applied for a D-STAR DV digital mode repeater at Klondyke, Topo50 map reference BC32 602.01 641.50. The repeater's transmit frequency will be 145.650 MHz and the receive frequency will be 145.050 MHz. An Engineering Evaluation, in accordance with the MED's Radio Licence Certification Rules (PIB38), shows that there will be no interference to other stations.

FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS

NZART Council, at its 5th of July 2011 meeting, approved the following application:

Branch 53 Te Puke has applied for an APRS Digipeater at Shaw Road, Topo50 map reference BE37 870.20 014.96. The transmit and receive frequency will be 144.575 MHz, in accordance with the band plan.

COMMENTS AND APPLICATIONS

Please send your comments and suggestions on the above matters, and on any other FMTAG matters, by e-mail to: fmtag@nzart.org.nz

Applications for repeaters, beacons, digipeaters, point-to-point links, and so on, should be made on the latest version of FMTAG Form 10. The latest versions of FMTAG Form 10, and the explanatory Form 10A, are available on the NZART web site:

http://www.nzart.org.nz/fmtag/index.html

Completed forms should be sent by e-mail to fmtag@nzart.org.nz

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FROM THE VHF/UHF/SHF CONTEST MANAGER

Results of the Hibernation Contest, held on 11th and 12th of June, 2011.

Congratulations to the overall winner: Simon, ZL1SWW, and to Stephen, ZL1TPH, in second place. The full results will be available shortly at:

www.vhf.org.nz

THE NEXT CONTEST

The next contest is the Brass Monkey Contest, 50 MHz and up, on Saturday the 6th and Sunday the 7th of August 2011. The operating times are: Saturday 1700 to 2300 NZST and Sunday 0700 to 1300 NZST.

All contest logs should be sent, to arrive within two weeks, to:

zl2wa@clear.net.nz with Contest Log in the subject line, or by post to:

Contest Manager

Wellington VHF Group

P.O. Box 12-259

Thorndon

Wellington

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Housekeeping

1. Break-In-Closing Date Reminder: Copy for the Sept/October issue of Break-In-closes on 10-September-2011
2. Copy for Break-In: Copy is welcome in most electronic formats but word.doc files are preferred. Photos and other graphics should be send as separate discrete files (*.jpg preferred); not as embedded pix in the body of the text. Please ensure that suitable descriptive captions/legends are included with your copy.
All received copy will be acknowledged to confirm receipt.
Thank you for your cooperation.
John Walker ZL3IB Editor.
3. -In: Early receipt of copy is much appreciated
4. Break-In-AREC Column: The close-of-copy date is the 03-September-2011 for articles for publication in the AREC COLUMN OF BREAK-IN. Photos, if available, to be on a separate floppy or CD (with captions), posted DIRECTLY TO US. Use Call Book address. All other material can go to e-mail:
<mailto:zl3qr@nzart.org.nz> zl3qr@nzart.org.nz or
<mailto:zl3ov@nzart.org.nz> zl3ov@nzart.org.nz
5. <http://www.nzart.org.nz/news/2010-news/> The ARRL and WIA Weekly News
6. <http://www.nzart.org.nz/join/e-mail-lists/join-infoline-list/> Subscribe TO/FROM Infoline

Next NZART Official Broadcast is on SUNDAY 31 July 2011 and Next HQ-Infoline e-mailed on SUNDAY 07 August 2011.

658. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1019

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-17 19:51:26 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <416817.24697.qm@smtp109.sbc.mail.gq1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 4298
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1019
Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 1019

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Bulletin No. 1019
BID: $OPDX.1019
July 18, 2011
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, K1XN & GoList, NJ1Q, WO2N, NG3K & ADXO, N4AA & QRZ DX, N4JF, K6GEP, KH6BZF, K8YSE, W8GEX (60m News), WB8YJF, AT International, DL1SBF, DG8KAD & The DX News Letter, DxCoffee.com, DX-World.Net, E51JD, F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX, F6FQK, HP1AC, I1JQJ/IK1ADH & 425 DX News, IZ3EBA, OE1WHC, OZ6OM & 50 MHz DX News, Pete's-DX-Newsdesk, PT2OP, RSGB IOTA Web Site, TA1HZ, UT7CL, VA3RJ & ICPO, VE7DP, VHF-DX-Portal (MMMonVHF) and ZL2TZE for the following DX information.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 10th-July, through Sunday, 17th-July there were 211 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J3, J5, J6, J7, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH2, KH4, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S7, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T32, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TT, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

5Z, KENYA. Sig, NV7E, is active as 5Z4EE from Nairobi, and has announced that he will be in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) and the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 3-4th, 2012) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via NV7E, by the W7 Bureau or direct using the address on QRZ.com (see details). He DOES NOT use LoTW.

9Y, TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO. Jim, N6TJ, will be active as 9Y4W from Scarborough, Tobago Island (SA-009, WLOTA 0412), during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op entry. QSL via DL4MDO, direct or by the Bureau.

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS (Airmail Deliveries To The Islands). Jim, E51JD, from Rarotonga Island sent the following to OPDX about the airmail he receives (edited): "To The Editor -- For some time I have been intrigued at how long it takes airmail to reach my mail box, particularly some of the mail posted in USA, and I decided to record details of QSL mail received between 11 and 27 June 2011. Mail from Italy, UK, Slovenia, Spain, Czech Republic, France, Greece, Germany & Ukraine took two to three weeks from date of mailing compared to that from USA which with two exceptions took at least a month and in most cases a number of months to reach me. Some examples include that posted in Greer, SC, on 11th Feb. & Gilbert, AZ, on 13th Oct. 2010 received on 11th June, that posted in Melbourne, FL, on 10th Oct. 2010 received on 20th June together with mail posted in Melrose, FL, on 29th March and Pacifica, CA, on 25th March. Mail received on 30th June included one posted in San Jose, CA, on 15th November 2010 and others posted in Bakersfield, CA, on 14th April, Melrose, FL, on 21 March, Austin, TX, on 5th February and Wichita Kansas on 31st March. The mail I picked up on 27 June included one mailed in Springfield, LA, on 29th March.
Apart from the occasional public holiday our post office is open Monday to Friday and my mail box is cleared daily - I have not listed the U.S. mail which took less than two months to reach me.
This is hardly DX news but I thought that I should try to get the information out to operators who may have been waiting some months to receive a response to QSL cards. Personally I am not worried as I do not chase the cards, but any card I receive which includes the addressed envelope and return postage is replied to.
In the hope of getting maximum coverage I have sent this message to two other DX Newsletters.
Thanks and 73s
Jim E51JD
JIM DITCHBURN
P O BOX 491
RAROTONGA
COOK ISLANDS"

FG, GUADELOUPE. Members of the Radio Club Guadeloupe (FG5KC) will be active as FG5KC/P from Isle of Saints (NA-114) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st). Operators mentioned are Isaac/FG0NC, Daniel/FG1JS, Philippe/FG1DD, Jules/FG1JD and Marie-Berthe/SWL F-97120. QSL via FG5KC, direct or by the Bureau or eQSL. Visit Radio Club Guadeloupe's Web page at: http://fg5kc.voila.net

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-080. Members of the Korea Contest Club (KCC) will be active as D93I from Anmyon Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st). Operators mentioned are Seung/DS4NYE, Jeong/DS1OYR, Jeon/DS1EVQ, Han/DS2GOO, Cho/DS3MLG, Lee/DS4NMJ, Kim/HL1OYF

and Han/HL1VAU. QSL via DS4NYE direct or LoTW.

EU-030. Axel, OZ7VEA, will be active from Bornholm Island between July 24th and August 5th. His activity will also include the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st) as a Single-Op/SSB-Only/ 12-Hrs entry. QSL via the Bureau. For more details, see his Blog at: http://oz7vea2011.blogspot.com

EU-042. Peter, DC1HPS, will be active as homecall/p from Pellworm Island (DID N-23, WLOTA 1188) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 29-31st). Outside of the contest activity will be on the HF bands with a focus on the Digital modes. For more information, see: http://www.qrz.com/db/DC1HPS

EU-073. Members of the Associazione Radioamatori Marina Italiani Sezione di Taranto (A.R.M.I) and 599 DX Team will be active as IJ7DX from San Pietro Island between August 18-21st. Activity will be on the HF bands and 6 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via IZ7LDC. For more details, visit their Web page at: http://www.armi.ta.it/ij7dx

EU-091. Members of the Centro Italiano Sperimentazione Attivit&#65533; Radioantist Sezione di TARANTO (C.I.S.A.R.) will be active as IQ7HK from Isola Grande during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st) as a Multi-Op entry. QSL via IK7FPX direct only. Operators mentioned are Gilberto/IK7LMX, Giancarlo/IK7QMJ, Michele/IK7FPX, Angelo/IZ7CTE, IZ7CEG, Vincenzo/I7PXV, Casear/ IK7XNF, IK7SIA and IZ7MND.

EU-097. Ian, G4FSU, will be active as OH/G4FSU from Emsalo Island between now and August 10th. His activity will also include the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st). QSL via his home callsign.

EU-131. Members of the Extreme DX & Contest Group will be active as IL3A from La Certosa Island (IIA VE-018), Saturday, July 23rd, weather permitting. Activity will be on 20 and 40 meters. QSL via IK3HHX, by the Bureau or direct. For more details, see QRZ.com or <www.extremegroup.org>.

EU-136. Lang, S57UN, will be active as 9A/S57UN from Rab Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st) as a Single-Op/All-Band/ Low-Power entry. QSL via his home callsign.

EU-146. Operators Francois/ON4LO, Eddy/ON4CCK, Walter/ON8CW, Beni/ ON3BL and Erik/ON4CCV will be active as PA/ON4LO/P from Schouwen Duiveland between July 22-24th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via ON4LO, by the Bureau or direct.

EU-179. Operators Alexey/UR5GDX, Ivan/UR8GX, Nick/UR3GO, Leo/UT7CL and Roman/UR3CJR will activate Kalanchakskiye Islands between July 26th and August 3rd. Callsign will be homecall/p. Activity

will be on 80-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via UR8GX. Visit
their Web page at: http://ur5gdx.at.ua/index/iota_expedition/0-12

NA-067. Jon, WB8YJF, will be active again as WB8YJF/4 from Ocracoke
Island (NC-001S, Hyde County, NC) between July 24-31st.
Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, RTTY and SSB.
He will also be active in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st).
Please QSL direct via the address on QRZ.com for a fast reply.

NA-144. Operators Jeff/W6UX, Rick/AE6RS, Tom/WA6WPG and Tim/K6GEP
will be active as W6UX/p from Anacapa Island during the RSGB
IOTA Contest (July 29-31st) as a Multi-Op/Mixed-Mode entry.
Activity outside of the contest will be on 40-6 meters,
including 30/17/12 meters. QSL W6UX/p via K6GEP. For activity
outside of the contest, please QSL via their home callsigns.

NA-232. Just a reminder that the members of the Russian Robinson Club
are expected to activate St. Matthew Island sometime this week
(possibly between July 20-26th). Operators mentioned are
Yuri/N3QQ, Tim/NL8F and Yuri/UA9OBA. QSLs can be confirmed by
either Yuri/UA9OBA or Dick/N7RO. For more details and updates,
watch: http://www.na-234.com

OC-021. Adhi, YB3MM, will be active from Java Island during the RSGB
IOTA Contest (July 30-31st) as a Single-Op/All-Band/SSB-Only/
12-Hrs entry. QSL via IZ8CCW.

OC-239. Joni, YB9WZJ, will be active as homecall/p from Doom Island
during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st). Activity will be
during his spare time and on 20 meters SSB only. QSL direct
only or LoTW.

SA-045. (Update) Excerpts from a press release state that operators
Orlando/PT2OP and Fred/PY2XB will be active from Parazinho
Biologic Reserve in Bailique Archipelago between August 17-24th.
Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital
modes. They will use the IOTA and DX frequencies. The callsigns
have been issued as PQ8OP (Orlando) and PQ8XB (Fred). Orlando
will mainly operate SSB and the Digital modes while Fred will
use mostly CW and also the Digital modes. They will also have
6m capabilities and will monitor the band for openings. The
equipment will be Icoms 706 and 7000 with a 400w THP amplifier.
Antennas will be an SteppIR vertical (40-6m) and a Zepp (40-
10m). Power will be off a Diesel generator. Eventually, during
generator off periods, batteries will be used. The Parazinho
Bilologic Reserve is an biologic sanctuary. Only an Environ-
mental Ministery/State Secretary outpost is available on the
site. The site is about 300km straight line far from French
Guyana border. Few meters from the outpost there is an automatic
Lighthouse run by Brazilian Navy. So this operation will not
only account for a rare IOTA but also for WLOTA awards (L-1123)
and ALRHS (number awaiting confirmation). QSO is valid for

the Brazilian Islands Diploma DIB AP-03; Brazilian Lighthouses
Diploma DFB AP-03 and South American Lighthouses Diplom DFA.
The team will arrive in Macapa, capital city of the state of
Amapa, on August 14th. Then on the 16th it will sail to the
Biologic Reserve. The boat ride takes 12 hours to Vila Progresso
- a small fishermen community, plus 30 minutes in a motor boat
to the reserve. Boat ride schedule will depend on tides that
can get amplitudes as high as 10 meters. The team will take
food, water and essential goods as well a spare generator and
fuel for the entire period. The team will return on the 25th
to Macapa, depending on the tide levels. It is to be confirmed,
that on August 26th, activity is planned from S�o Jos� de
Macapa Fortress, the biggest historic Brazilian fortress.
Valid for DFH Historical Brazilian Fortress with code DFH AP-01.
PQ8OP cards will be handled by PT2OP and PQ8XB cards by PT7WA.

J45, DODECANESE. Members of the SV9 DX Team with co-operation of SV5BYR
will be active as J45K from Kasos Island (EU-001) during the RSGB IOTA
Contest (July 30-31st). The first team with the equipment will be on the
island Tuesday, July 26th. Operations will start next day on 160-6 meters,
as well as 2 meters band during weekend. QSL via SV9DJO and LoTW.

JT, MONGOLIA. Frank, DD0CW, is now active as JT1FDB from Ulaanbaatar
until the first week of August. According to his QRZ.com Web page, he
will be active as JT1FDB/7 most of the time from Bugat near Erdenet
(Locator: ON19UB) about 400 km NW of Ulaanbaatar. He will be from
Ulaanbaatar only during the first week and last week. Frank has per-
mission to be active on all HF bands (160-6m) and VHF/UHF bands using
all modes, but he prefers CW. Activity over the past weekend was on
15 and 6 meters. He will use a FT-100D with a GP and Dipole antennas.
QSL via DD0CW.

KD0, UNITED STATES (Lighthouse Op!). Steve, KD0ETC, will be on a kayak
expedition to the Apostle Islands National Lakeshore, Wisconsin, in Lake
Superior, and possibly activate the following three lighthouses between
July 30th and August 5th: Sand Island (USA 722 and WI018L)
Raspberry Island (USA 688 and WI019)
Devils Island (USA 228 and WI015)
Operating time will between 1500-2100z. His base camp will be on York
Island (WI017). Devils Island is maybe iffy since he is kayaking. Activity
will mainly be on 20 meters SSB only. However, there may be some 40
meters in the evening using a larger loading coil on his vertical, but
he doubts that he will be at a lighthouse then. QSL direct only to KD0ETC
with SASE, please.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (July 18-24th)....
Jul 18 HN-AN SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS
Jul 19 AN-HN-LN --------------------
Jul 20 LN BN - Below Normal
Jul 21 LN-HN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Jul 22 HN LN - Low Normal

Jul 23 AN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Jul 24 AN DIS - Disturbed
VDIS - Very Disturbed

GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
PIRATE ALERT. Phillip, ZL2TZE, informs OPDX that there are PIRATE stations active claiming to be on Chatham Island (ZL7014, ZL7PW). There is no current licensed operator with these callsigns listed.

PP0T QSL STATUS. David, EB7DX, reports that he has been very busy these days, and also has been out of town for 10 days. He has recently uploaded the PP0T QSOs to LoTW. The paper QSLs are still at the printer.

QSL STATUS FOR DZ1P. Frank, VE7DP, informs that QSLs for the DZ1P operation (OC-091; between March 11-13th; QSL via VE7DP or 4F1OZ) were printed and shipped on June 12th. However, delivery has been delayed due to a recent postal strike in Canada. PSE QRX, the package should arrive sometime this month and all direct requests will be mailed out promptly.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 3C9B, 3C0C, C6A/N5KM, PP0T, PZ5RA, S9DX, ST2VB and T31A

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 4L6AM, 5N7M, 9K2VO, 9L5MS, CR5CQK, CT3/DF8AA, FG5FR, HK7AAG, HS0AC, JT1DA, KP2/K3CT, OD5/DL6SN, PJ4E, PZ5RA, S57IIO, SV2ASP/A, VP8ORK, YN2ER, YN2ET, YN2MG, ZB2X and ZB3R.

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 3D2A, 5W0YA, C91YI, DL2DSL, EA1ARW, EA8/DL1ARD, GB6MD, IR2C, JD1BMM, MS0WRC, MU0FAL, PJ4/G4IUF, PQ0F, S9DX, SM5PHU, T06T, TM32CDXC, TO5SM, TS7C, V25VG3N, YJ0MM, YO3KPA and Z21DXI

ST0, SOUTH SUDAN (Update). The South Sudan is now the world's newest country and as expected, the 193rd member of the United Nations on July 14th. Also, the South Sudan become a new DXCC entity on July 14th. ARRL DXCC Manager Bill Moore, NC1L, announced that the Honor Roll numbers have now moved up from 340 to 341 for the Top of the Honor Roll, and for Honor Roll it becomes 332. As this was being written, the last news we heard about the DX Friends/Intrepid DX Group's DXpedition to the South Sudan is: "The Intrepid DX Group is meeting the DX Friends in Cairo on July 21st. On July 22nd, they all fly from Cairo to Juba, South Sudan. On July 23rd, they will meet with the Ministry of Communi-cations to amend licenses to the new ITU prefix. They expect to be active later on July 23rd, or July 24th (Web page now states July 25th), until shut down on August 10th, 2011." The International Telecommunication Union (ITU) has not announced a prefix block for the Republic of South

Sudan on their Web page yet. However, they have announced that the South Sudan does now have an area code - 211. For more details and updates watch: http://www.dxfriends.com/SouthernSudan2011

ADDED NOTE: Wolf Harranth, OE1WHC, from the Amateur Radio Section of ORF (Austrian Broadcasting Corporation) and the Documentary Archives Radio Communications/QSL Collection, has informed OPDX that on their Web site, they now provide an extensive overview of Sudan's amateur radio history. The URL Link is: http://www.dokufunk.org/sudan

TC, TURKEY (TC Special Event Stations). Tevfik, TA1HZ, informs OPDX readers that there will be new TC special event callsigns to be activated in the coming weeks:
TC2BK - First of all, Turkish members of the (TRAC Giresun branch) Giresun Radio Amateurs and Nature Sports Club (GITRAD), and the TCSWAT (Special Wireless Activity Team) will be active as TC2BK between July 20-27th. Bahri Kacan, TA2BK (SK), one of the founders of ham radio in Turkey and former president of TRAC, passed away 10 years ago. Both GITRAD and TCSWAT will be on the air to commemorate this valuable elmer of Turkish ham radio operators. QSL Manager is TA7EB (see details on QRZ.com)

TC100TAF - The year 2011 is the 100th anniversary of Turkish Air Force. In May, TCSWAT was on the air as TC100HKK. For those who missed having a QSO for the 100th anniversary, TCSWAT will once more be on the air using a special callsign, but this time as TC100TAF between July 23-31st. Activity will be on the HF bands, mainly SSB, but look out for BPSK31 and SSTV signals especially during the nights! QSL via TA1HZ.

TC1LHW and TC7LHW - In August, look for two lighthouses to be activate by the TRAC Giresun Branch members, GITRAD and TCSWAT during the International Lighthouse-Lightship Week (August 1-8th). The classic TC1LHW team manned by TCSWAT will be located once more in Karaburun Lighthouse while TC7LHW will be activated from Yoros Lighthouse by GITRAD, TCSWAT and the TRAC Giresun Branch members. Both lighthouses are on the Black Sea coastline. QSL via TA1HZ.

SPECIAL NOTICE FOR QSL CARDS: TCSWAT QSLs are 100% via the Bureau. The usual delivery time is the end of June at the Friedrichshafen Messe. If you are not in a hurry, please wait for it. The cards are printed usually twice a year (May and December), so it is usually of no use to send in a direct request right after the activity. If you use <www.eqsl.cc> the logs are uploaded to the database right after the activities.

TC7, TURKEY (Special Event). Members of the Trabzon Branch (TRAC) will activate their club station using the special callsign TC7EYOF between July 22-31st. This special activity is in celebration/promotion and during the "TRABZON 2011, 11th European Youth Olympic Festival" sports event. Look for activity to take place on the HF, 6m and 2m bands, using

CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via YM7KA, direct or by the Bureau.
For more details, visit the TRAC Web page at: http://www.ym7ka.com

TP50, FRANCE. The "Council of Europe Radio Amateur Club" (CERAC - TP2CE)
will be active as TP50CE during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st).
Activity is to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the European Social
Charter. Operations are usually on all HF bands and modes, possibly the
satellites. QSL via F5LGF. An online log search will be available at:
http://ewwa.free.fr

UN/UP, KAZAKHSTAN (UNFF/Lakes/Mountains/Rivers Op!). Two teams of operators
from Kazakhstan will activate the following Flora & Fauna, Lakes, Rivers
and Mountains of Kazakhstan between July 18-31st:
Team UN6GWC/7 (from Almaty) - Operators Sergei/UN6GAO, Arthur/UN6QC
(+XYL), Oleg/UN7ECA and UN8GEK (+ XYL) will activate the
following:
UNL-003, UNL-131, UNL-128, UNL-045, UNL-129, UNL-002
UNFF-012, UNFF-018, UNFF-006, UNFF-029, UNFF-003
UNR-018, UNR-001
UNWF-002

Team UP7Z (from Astana) - Will activate the following:
KDA B15, B07, F13, F11, F06, F07, J05, J06, J07,
J09, J16
UNFF-002, UNFF-006, UNFF-027, UNFF-029,
UNR-001, UNR-018
UNL-064, UNL-065, UNL-126, UNL-129, UNL-130
UNWF-002
UNM-036

Activity is planned for all bands using CW, SSB and the Digital modes.
Suggested frequencies for SSB are: 3744, 7144, 14144, 14244, 18144,
21244 and 24944 kHz. QSL via the home callsign. For more info, please
visit: http://un-dx.ucoz.com/index/wff_kazakhstan/0-12

VK9C, COCOS (KEELING) ISLAND. Operators Lot/DJ7ZG and Babs/DL7AFS will
be active as VK9CX from Cocos (Keeling) Islands (OC-003) between October
19th and November 9th. QSL via DL7AFS.

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new
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following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE
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OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
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http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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659. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 17th July 12011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-17 20:00:17 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20110717200003.54A2B33C69@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4299
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 17th July 12011

IRTS 2 Metres Counties Contest

The IRTS 2m Counties Contest will take place Sunday 28th August 2011. The closing date for the submission of the log to the contest manager is 27th September 2011.

IRTS SSB Field Day

The IRTS SSB Field Day takes place Saturday 3rd September and Sunday 4th September 2011. The closing date for the submission of the log is October 4th 2011.

GI HF Conference

The West Tyrone Amateur Radio Club (WTARC) Omagh are holding a HF Conference on Saturday 20th August 2011. This Conference comes following the very successful DigiCon 09 Conference back in September 2009.

A range of speakers from around GI, EI and G will be in attendance to share their various perspectives on aspects of HF operation. There will also be in attendance Traders such as, Tyrone Amateur Electronics (TAE) and JBT (Jim Bob) along with exhibits from the RSGB and the IRTS.

The Event is supported by Practical Wireless, TAE, JBT, IRTS and RSGB. So come along for what will be a Fun Day Out for all the family. The town of Omagh has a range of top class shopping along with a wide range of other tourist attractions
http://www.omagh.gov.uk/culture_leisure_and_tourism/

We look forward to seeing you there. For details of the Venue etc go to
http://wtarc.co.uk/GIHFConference.aspx

London 2012's critical communications ready for service

Airwave, the leading provider of critical voice and data communications to public service organisations in the UK, has announced that the

private mobile radio (PMR) service infrastructure for the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games is ready for service. The PMR network, named Apollo, will provide voice communications for over 18,000 staff and volunteers from the London Organising Committee of the Olympic and Paralympic Games (LOCOG) during the 2012 Games. Apollo has been purpose-built to provide mobile radio to all London 2012 competition venues from the Olympic Park itself to sites across the country from Glasgow and Manchester to Coventry and Weymouth. The stand-alone network is now ready for operation and will be used by Games staff and volunteers, from stewards and security personnel to anti-doping officials, from now until December 2012. (Source:southgatearc.org)

RSGB Amateur Radio survey released

The results of the RSGB Amateur Radio survey are now available. It shows the Amateur population is continuing to age with a typical RSGB member now being about 65. The survey also shows that just 1.97% are women and only 0.88% classify themselves as being from an ethnic group other than White or White British a figure closer to 13% might have been expected. (Source:Southgatearc.org)

IOTA News from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

EU-120, G, English Coastal Islands: The Wakefield & District Radio Society will be active as GB1HI from Holy Island (also known as Lindisfarne) from Jul 15-18. QSL via M0OXO (bureau/direct). See also: http://www.wdrs.org.uk

EU-136, 9A, Kvarner group: 9A8ASN will be active from Cres Island from Jul 13-30. QSL via IK5ASN (bureau/direct).

EU-172, OZ, Jylland East & Fyn group: OZ/DL4FO is going to hit the airwaves from Tunoe (DIA JY-009) mainly in CW on the HF bands and 6m from Jul 17-29. Tunoe is situated west of Samsoe and is a small island of only 3,52 sqkm. QSL via bureau to his homecall. See also: http://www.qslnet.de/dl4fo

NA-091, VE, British Columbia Province South group: Broughton Island has a confirmation rate of only 22 %. Broughton is the workplace and QTH of VE7RSV/p. When Rob has some time he is working in SSB with 100 watts and G5RV almost every day. He wants to take part in IOTA Contest also. QSL via homecall. NA-142, W, Florida State North West (Escambia to Walton County) group: This quite rare IOTA group will be activated by W4/DF2MM from Santa Rosa (aka Okaloosa) between Jul 18 and Aug 25. He plans to join also the IOTA Contest. QSL via DF2MM. His website is: http://www.df2mm.de

NA-232, KL7, St Matthew Island: It seems like everything is on "go" for a first time activity from St. Matthew from Jul 19-22. If the weather is fine and condx good N3QQ and NL8F want to make around 3000 QSOs signing KL7RRC/p. They will work with high power in CW and SSB on

40m-10m. Their "lift" can be found at: http://www.mikehorn.com Other plans to activate NA-070 seem to be obsolete. QSL via N7RO and for EU stations via UA9OBA (bureau/direct).

OC-187, VK, Queensland State (North Coast) North group: JE1SCF will activate Lizard as KU2F/VK4 from Jul 18-22. QSL via JE1SCF (bureau/direct).

AN-016, VP8/A, Antarctica: VK2BFG is working as VK0BFG from Casey Station and has been spotted in SSB on 40m already. (Compiled by Ric, DL2VFR.)

The North Cork Radio Group

The North Cork Radio Group is pleased to announce their second annual rally and electronics fair at the Blarney Golf Resort, Tower, Co Cork. on Sunday September the 11th 2011.

The doors open to the public at 11.30 and the rally will run throughout the afternoon. The usual traders will be on hand with some very tasty bargains, South East Communications, Long Communications and JBT Trading.

The Hotel are also offering room deals for the rally a Room Only from 59 and Double Room inc B&B: 79 Please Contact the hotel directly for room bookings on Tel:+353 21 4384477.www.blarneygolfresort.com

Small traders are very welcome but it essential that they contact the events organiser Liam EI7GTB, Tel: 085-7039042 Email:ei7gtb/ at /gmail/dot/com as soon as possible.

Further details can be found via the group's website, www.ei1nc.com.com

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DX News

The Republic of Southern Sudan became an independent state on 9 July. At the time of writing DXers are waiting for the first amateur radio signals from this new DXCC entity. At least two teams are poised ready to deal with the huge pileups which can be expected on all bands in the coming days.

Another new one - this time for the IOTA chasers - will be KL7RRC operated by Yuri N3QQ and Tim NL8F from the Alaskan island of St Matthew, They hope to be QRV from 19-22 July and the new Islands on the Air reference is NA-232. Dates are subject to change depending on the local weather. QSLs go via N7RO.

Eric SM1TDE will be active from Eckero in the Aland Islands using the callsign OH0/SM1TDE from 21-24 July. He plans to be 2khz up from the band edges on 80-10m CW.

A large group of Italian operators will sign IM0P from San Pietro Island in the Mediterranean from 22 July till 2 August. This island counts as EU-165 for the Islands on the Air Award. During their stay there they hope to active several other smaller islands in the area.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

660. SEXY VIDEOS AND HOT 2011PHOTOS FREE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-18 09:47:20 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <91953f4a-cdb9-456d-a727-7582907ddb4a@m3g2000pre.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4300

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http://alltoux.blogspot.com/2010/09/hot-lip-kiss-135.html

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HOT LIP KISS 115
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661. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-18 22:14:08 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <85a62c5e-f5e9-4d00-8241-b0f83c52fec1@x12g2000yql.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4301

On Jul 18, 5:47 am, 1054QZX

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662. TAMIL ACTRESS HOT PHOTOS & VIDEOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-19 09:22:04 UTC
From: RHANI <raghavaraghavi2862@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <29bd93bb-90f7-4abd-b88f-4b23461b57eb@p12g2000pre.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4302

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http://allyouwants.blogspot.com

663. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-19 17:27:22 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <59a99b1f-4c80-41fe-a41b-ae264b149294@a12g2000vbf.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4303

On Jul 19, 5:22

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664. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 11 - 17 July 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-19 21:30:07 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20110719213001.C27BD33C69@panix2.panix.com>
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:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2011 Jul 19 1731 UTC
# Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
# http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
11 - 17 July 2011

Solar activity began the week at low levels for 11-12 July. Region
1249 (S18, L=244, class/area Cso/020 on 11 July) produced a C2/1f
flare at 1103 UTC on 11 July which was associated with a type II
radio sweep and a small coronal mass ejection. Region 1247 (S18,
L=269, class/area Esi/080 on 11 July) produced C1/Sf at 1449 UTC on
12 July. Activity levels declined to very low levels for the
remainder of the week from 13-17 July.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
moderate levels on 11 July but increased to high levels on 12 July
and continued to reach high levels for the remaining days of the
reporting period.

Geomagnetic field activity began the week at unsettled levels with
some active periods (and some isolated storm periods at high
latitude). This initial activity appears to have been caused by a
combination of effects from a coronal mass ejection (observed on 09
July) and a high speed stream from a coronal hole. Conditions
gradually subsided for 12-14 July as the high speed stream persisted
but weakened; typical activity levels were quiet to unsettled with
isolated active periods and isolated storm periods at high latitude.
Quiet levels prevailed for the remainder of the period from 15-17
July.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
20 July - 15 August 2011

Solar activity is expected to be very low to low for most of the
outlook interval. However, there is a chance that new, rapidly
emerging flux regions could increase activity to moderate levels at
any time during the outlook period.
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No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at background or moderate levels for most of the outlook interval. However, increases to high levels are expected for 21-24 July, 28-30 July, 1-3 July, and 6-9 August in response to recurrent high speed streams.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be unsettled with a chance for active periods for 20-22 July due to a favorably positioned coronal hole. Quiet levels are expected to prevail for 23-26 July. An increase to unsettled levels is expected for 27 July to 2 August due to another recurrent coronal hole. Quiet levels are expected for 3 August followed by another increase to unsettled levels for 04-10 August due to recurrence. 11-13 August is expected to be quiet and an increase to unsettled is expected for 14-15 August, again due to recurrence.

665. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #1019.1

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-19 22:12:01 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <110155.75672.qm@smtp105.sbc.mail.mud.yahoo.com>
Source record: 4305
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Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network and N6PSE for the following DX information.

SOUTH SUDAN UPDATE. Here is the latest information regarding the South Sudan DXpedition from Paul, N6PSE:
"Today, the Intrepid-DX Group is making their way to Cairo to meet with the DX Friends. Our advance team will arrive in Juba, South Sudan tomorrow (July 20th) with a list of tasks to perform in advance of the main team. As the ITU has not yet issued a new prefix for South Sudan, our license that was issued in March has the call-sign of ST0R (Sierra Tango Zero Romeo). That will be our call for the DXpedition unless the ITU issues a new prefix which will require that we amend our license. More updates to follow.
Thank you,
Paul N6PSE
Co-Leader, STOR DXpedition to South Sudan"

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ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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666. [DXNL] DXNL 1737 (Jul 20, 2011)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-20 15:51:02 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <1617043343.20110720173648@dxhf.darc.de>
Source record: 4306
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SOUTH SUDAN - NEW DXCC ENTITY
The Republic of South Sudan declared its independence on July 9, 2011.
South Sudan applied for the UN membership on Jul 14 and was included
as the 193rd member of the UN on the same day. Since then South Sudan
meets the criteria of the ARRL (Section II, 1(a) of the DXCC rules)
to be approved as an own DXCC entity.
The new DXCC entity is NOT identical with the former DXCC country
South Sudan (ST0).

The teams of the "Intrepid DX Group" and the "DX Friends" (see online
at http://www.dxfriends.com/SouthernSudan2011) meet in Cairo on Jul 22
and will travel together to the South Sudanese capital Juba.
They expect to get their DXpedition callsigns issued on July 23 with
the newly allocated ITU prefix. Expect their activities with up to five
stations until Aug 10.
Another team around OH2BH is also expected to show up on the bands
after the official approval as a new DXCC entity.

FP - ST PIERRE ET MIQUELON, NA-032
FP/K9OT and FP/KB9LIE will be QRV again from Miquelon (NA-032) between
Jul 22 and Aug 4. Activities will take place in CW and SSB on 80m-10m
with 100 watts and wires. QSL via K9OT, via bureau, direct or LoTW.
See also: http://hamradio.pnpfarms.com

JT - MONGOLIA
Frank,DD0CW, is momentarily active as JT1FDB from Ulan Bator and will
stay in Mongolia until the first week of August. Except from the first
and the last week he works as JT1FDB/7 from Bugat (near Erdenet) in all
modes (mainly CW) on 10m-160m. Frank is using a FT-100D, a groundplane
and dipoles. QSL via DD0CW, via bureau ok.

JX - JAN MAYEN, EU-022
The JX5O DXpedition went QRT two days earlier than planned on July 14
with 17.844 QSOs in their log. The skipper urged to leave earlier
because of bad weather and rough seas. Meanwhile the first online logs
are available at: http://www.clublog.org/charts/?c=5O

T8 - PALAU, OC-009
OM Masumi,JA3AVO/T88MB (CW), XYL Hiroko, JH3PBL/T88MP (SSB), and their
grandson OM Shota,W7AED/T88SR (SSB), will be QRV from Koror (OC-009)
signing T8XO on all bands from Jul 22-24.
QSLs for T8XO via JA3AVO (direct or via LoTW).

TK - CORSICA, EU-014
OM Laurent,F8BBL, intends to hit the airwaves as TK11OTA or TK1QRP
from Olmeto Plage on Sanguinaires Island (EU-014, DIFM TK-001) between
Jul 23 and Aug 6. He will use a FT-857D and a MP-1 vertical mainly in
CW, sometimes also in SSB and digital modes, on 80m-10m.
QSL via F8BBL, via bureau, direct or LoTW.

VK9L - LORD HOWE ISLAND, OC-004
The HARAOA group around VK2IR plans a DXpedition to Lord Howe (OC-004)
from Jul 23 until Aug 2. They will sign VK9HR with several stations at
the same time in CW, SSB and RTTY on 160m-6m. They have five radios,
power amplifiers, several verticals and yagis QSL via EB7DX.
Find more information at: http://www.lordhowe2011.com

XE - MEXICO
XE3/IZ2LSC will stay in central Mexico from Jul 26 until Aug 8. After
that he also plans to activate NA-045 as XF3/IZ2LSC. Listen for him in
SSB/CW/digital modes on 30m-6m. The log will be uploaded to the LoTW.
Direct QSLs schould be sent via EB7DX and bureau QSLs via IZ2LSC.

ZD8 - ASCENSION ISLAND, AF-003
A German group plans to activate Ascension Island (AF-003, WLOTA 1491)
between Jul 24 and Aug 9. They will work as ZD8D on 160m-6m, mainly in
CW and RTTY but also in SSB. The team of DL1CW, DJ4KW, DK1IP, DL7OR is
led by DJ9KH and plans to work with two stations simultaneously around
the clock using Quads, verticals and yagis.
For more information and updates click on: http://www.zd8d.de

8P - BARBADOS, NA-021
Carsten,DF1XC, will spend his holiday on Saint Philip/Barbados (NA-021)
from Jul 23 until Aug 14. He will work as 8P9XC "holiday style" mainly
in CW on all HF bands. QSL via bureau or direct to his homecall.
Online logs will be uploaded to: http://www.clublog.org/logsearch/8p9xc

TURKEY, SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS
Several special event stations will be activated in the upcoming days.
The members of the GITRAD, the TRAC Giresun and the "TCSWAT" will be
active as TC2BK from Jul 20-27 to commemorate Bahri Kacan, TA2BK (sk
).
He was one of the founders of ham radio in Turkey, former president of
TRAC, activated the very rare country Albania and had passed away

10 years ago.
QSLs for TC2BK should be sent via the TA bureau or direct to TA7EB.

The 100th anniversary of the Turkish Air Force is an occasion for the
TCSWAT to activate the special event callsign TC100TAF from Jul 23-31.
Activity will take place on the HF bands, mainly in SSB but also in
BPSK31 and SSTV especially during the nights. QSL via TA1HZ.

The special callsign TC7EYOF will be active from Trabzon during the
"11th European Youth Olympic Festival" from Jul 23-30.
QSL via bureau or direct to YM7KA.

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de
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In view of the independence of South Sudan and the upcoming activities
Wolf Harranth,OE1WHC, of the ORF QSL-Collection and Dokufunk.org has
collected some information about amateur radio in Sudan. For more
details visit the extensive website at: http://www.dokufunk.org/sudan

IOTA collected by Ric,DL2VFR (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
EU-030, OZ, Bornholm Island: OZ7VEA will stay on Bornholm from Jul 24 until
Aug 5 and plans to take part in the RSGB IOTA Contest as well.
QSL via DL7VEA. See also: http://oz7vea2011.blogspot.com

EU-031, I, Campania Region group: A group of Italian HAMs will be active
as IC8L from Licosa on Jul 24/25. QSL via IZ8EGM (bureau/direct).

EU-062, LA, Nordland/Nord-Trondelag County group: Waldi,LA/SP7IDX, and
Mek,LA/SP7VC, will be QRV during their fishing holidays on Vega Island
from Jul 23 until Aug 2. One station is reserved for 6m, the other one
will be active in SSB and RTTY on HF. They want to take part in the
IOTA Contest as well. QSLs via homecalls (bureau/direct).

EU-125, OZ, Jylland West group: OZ/DF2SD will activate Fanoe Island in
holiday style working only in SSB between Jul 23 and Aug 2, including
the IOTA Contest. QSL via DF2SD (bureau/direct).
For more information check his website: http://www.qrz.com/db/df2sd
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OZ/DH3BEA will be QRV from Fanoe as well from Jul 24 until Aug 5.
QSL via DH3BEA (bureau/direct).

EU-146, PA, Zuid Holland/Zeeland Province group: ON4LO, ON4CCK, ON8CW, ON3BL
and ON4CCV will be active as PA/ON4LO/p from Schouwen Duiveland from
Jul 22-24. They will work in SSB and digital modes on 80-10m.
QSL via ON4LO (bureau/direct).

EU-179, UR, Black Sea Coast group: An Ukrainian IOTA expedition will show up
from the Kalanchakskiye Islands in CW and SSB between Jul 26 and Aug 3.
QSL via UR8GX.

NA-112, K, North Carolina State West (Brunswick to Carteret County) group:
NC4EN/2 will be QRV from Bogue Banks (aka Emerald) from Jul 25-31.
QSL direct via homecall or via LoTW. See also: http://www.nc4en.com

NA-144, K, California State South (Santa Barbara to LA County) group: N4LI
and WA4CB will make a bike trip on Santa Rosa Island on Jul 22 and plan
to activate this island as N4LI/6 on 20m for a few hours.

NA-198, VO1, Newfoundland's Coastal Islands: The DXpedition to Little Bell
Island (scheduled for the beginning of August) will probably start in
the week after Jul 25.

NA-232, KL7, St. Matthew Island: The already announced first activation by
KL7RRC/p is now scheduled for Jul 20-26 but it is not sure if it takes
place at all.

NA-242, KL7, North Slope County West group: Another first activation has
been announced for Jul 22-26. K6VVA and K9AJ want to become active as
K6VVA/KL7 from Point Lay Barrier Island mostly in CW on 40m-15m. This
activity is strongly depending on the weather conditions and shall last
for at least three days. QSL via N6AWD (bureau/direct).
Their website is: http://www.k6vva.com/iota/na242
It is possible that there may be also a short activity from NA-172
after that.

OC-059, V6, Kosrae Island: V63FAA will be QRV from Kosrae from Jul 26-29.
QSL via W6ANM (direct) or LoTW.
For more information check: http://home.comcast.net/~v63faa/site

IOTA Contest 2011: A list of all stations who announced to be active from
islands in the RSGB IOTA Contest during the last weekend of July will
be published in the DX Newsletter 1738 next week.

Lighthouse activities (WLOTA/ARLHS/ILLW)

CR6W D 2002 Insua Island Jul 24/25

Bandspots of the last 7 days

30m
DL5CX/p 10.115 1505Z EU-057, via DL5CX (B)
DL7UMK/p 10.120 0705Z EU-042
JX5O 10.124 0522Z via SQ8X (OQRS), (B)
MJ/DL3SEM 10.119 0725Z EU-013
SV9/OM5AW 10.116 2237Z EU-015, via OM2FY (B)
ZA/HA5X 10.117 1929Z via HA5X (B), OQRS

20m
CT7/LZ3ND 14.197 2115Z via LZ1NK (d)
ES0/OH7TT 14.260 1114Z EU-034, via RD1AR (B)

JX5O 14.215 1231Z via SQ8X (OQRS), (B)
MD/DK1SG 14.265 2132Z via DK1SG (B)
OH2DZ/p 14.260 1417Z EU-184, via RV1A
SV9/OM5AW 14.014 1807Z EU-015, via OM2FY (B)
SV9IOI 14.286 1713Z (d)
VE2PID/p 14.062 1533Z SOTA ES-018
VE2SG/p 14.062 1622Z SOTA SG-003
ZA/HA5X 14.018 1246Z via HA5X (B), OQRS

17m
5C12M 18.072 1746Z via EA7FTR

6m
ER1LW 50.092 1520Z LZ bureau
LZ2JOW 50.154 1748Z
LZ910PNO 50.097 1756Z LZ bureau
SP3OCC 50.137 1529Z (B)
SV2ASP/A 50.177 1901Z Mount Athos, (d)

(d) Only direct
(B) Bureau ok
(L) LoTW
(r) Bureau QSL via e-mail request

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

-Dec 3Y8XSA 1700/1717
-25Oct 5B50J 1700
-Apr/12 5Z4RH ? 1674
Jul 7Q7MH 1734
-30Nov 8J1MORSE.. 1731
23Jul-14Aug 8P9XC 1737 *
-31Dec 9A11P 1723
13Jul-30Jul 9A8ASN 1736
-Sep 9J2KK 1682
NOW 9M2/KM9D 1731
SOON 9Q1EK 1669
-Nov 9Q6CC 1699

-Aug A92IO 1663
-31Dec BP100 1684
-31Dec BV100 1684
14Jul-28Jul C92DG 1736
-31Dec CW5RV 1711
09Jul-29Jul DF8HS/p 1736
-31Aug DL20Y2DM 1700
-Aug FO8RZ 1636
-Jul/12 FR8NE 1710
22Jul-04Aug FP/K9OT.. 1737 *
-31Dec HB60LU 1711

-31Dec HG15IPA 1724
01Jan-31Dec HG200LST 1708

01Jan-31Dec IA7MM 1708
24Jul/25Jul IC8L 1737 *
01Jan-31Dec II1ITA.. 1708
01Mar-30Sep IO4UI 1717
-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul/12 J28RO 1683
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
-07Aug JT1FDB 1737 *
16Jun-05Sep K1VSJ 1732
22Jul-26Jul K6VVA/KL7 1737 *
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
-May/12 KH4/W5FJG 1728
POSTPONED KH5 1674/1705
20Jul-26Jul KL7RRC/p 1737 *
18Jul-22Jul KU2F/VK4 1736

11Jul-31Jul LA1QDA 1736
-31Dec LA200D 1713
23Jul-02Aug LA/SP7VC.. 1737 *
-31Dec LZ85R 1721
22Jul N4LI/6 1737 *
25Jul-31Jul NC4EN/2 1737 *
21Jul-24Jul OH0/SM1TDE 1736
Aug OL100VP 1721
Jul OL2011VP 1721
24Jul-05Aug OZ7VEA 1737 *
23Jul-02Aug OZ/DF2SD 1737 *
17Jul-29Jul OZ/DL4FO 1736

-Sep P29CW 1713
01Jan-31Dec PA30.. 1708
22Jul-24Jul PA/ON4LO/p 1737 *
17Jul-20Jul PQ3C 1736
-Dec RI1ANC 1708
23Jul-10Aug Suedsudan 1731/1737 *
01Jul-01Aug SF2X/p 1734
01May-31Jul SQ100MSC 1725
-Jun/12 T6MO 1733
-Nov T6SH 1734
-Jul T6TL 1695/1727
22Jul-24Jul T88MB 1737 *
23Jul-31Jul TC100TAF 1737 *
20Jul-27Jul TC2BK 1737 *
23Jul-30Jul TC7EYOF 1737 *
23Jul-06Aug TK11OTA 1737 *

19May-Jul V31XB 1728
26Jul-29Jul V63FAA 1737 *

16Jul-23Jul VE2/F5LMJ/p 1736
23Jul-02Aug VK9HR 1737 *
-Mar/12 VK0KEV (Macq) 1700/1701
May -Aug W3CVD/4 1726
18Jul-25Aug W4/DF2MM 1736
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
26Jul-08Aug XE3/IZ2LSC 1737 *
NOW XT2RJA 1712
-Sep ZC4MIS 1732
24Jul-09Aug ZD8D 1737 *
-Sep ZD9GI 1691
-31Dec ZL50GH 1711

* new or updated
.. and other calls

QSL information

BY1RX/4 via BA4TB (not EA7FTR)
C21YY via OH2YY (d)
C92DG via ZR6DG
ES0/OH7TT via RD1AR
J79XB via VE2XB (B)
JX5O via SQ8X (B), also OQRS
OH2FTX/P via RV1AE
OH2WA/P via RA1AGL
SF3U via SM3DMP (B)
T48K via DK1WI (B)
V47JA via W5JON
3D2ML via RW6AML (B)

(d) only direct
(B) bureau ok
(*) new QSL manager
(L) Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) e-mail request

QSLs arrived via bureau: GJ7DNI/p (6m), PJ2/DL5RDP, 7X2ARA (6m)

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Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our lastet NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2011-07-21
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter, once a week (thursday)
from now on - if any special activities will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further detail please be so kind and watch our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you vy welcome for any
input and we do hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
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** Let's honor our Moon Bouncer Silent keys with a "Final Bounce"

With recent heavy SK losses in the EME community, I would propose
that a perpetual memorial to Silent Keys of EME be created. Founded
around the "final bounce" idea of sending the SK Op's image, with
Callsign to the moon and back, and posting the received image at a
suitable memorial website. Perhaps a Guest book, for comments,
rememberances from EME colleagues about the passed EME'er.
What say? I just released a preliminary page with a few callsigns
that came to my mind: http://www.moonbounce.info/sk.html
Please send corrections and additions to my private address:
df6na "at" df6na "dot" de - SOURCE: Rainer, DF6NA at MoonNet

** MMMonVHF and DUBUS 144 MHz Meteorscatter-Sprint Contest **

The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF in cooperation with the magazines DUBUS
and Funk-Telegramm (by Joachim, DL8HCZ) invited you to take part in
our 144 MHz Meteorscatter Sprint Contest, which took place for the
first time in the 2008 Perseid shower. The 144 MHz Meteorscatter
Sprint Contest will take place each year on the day of the from IMO
(International Meteor Organization) announced maximum of the Perseid
shower. 2011 contest period: Date: 12./13. August 2011 Time period
for 48 hours: start 12.August 00:00hrs till end 13.August 2011
23:59hrs "UT" (End time of the last complete QSO) !! NEW !!
Reference data for 2011 by the IMO: expected Perseids Maximum 2011:
August 13th. 07:09UT with a expected ZHR of 100. Read all in detail
at the overview and rule page: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/ctest.php

SOURCE: Erwin, DK5EW, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: KH6 ; Square: BL02 ; Start: 2011-07-30 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3844

Jeremy, W7EME, back at KH6 - LATEST NEWS from Jeremy, W7EME, dated 2011-07-18: Aloha to all: I will be QRV from our cabin at old Kapa'a town, Kaua'i, Hawaii starting the local moon of 30th July. I will attempt to use 144.144MHz if it is available and will always be second, JT65b. I have upgraded station to an 8877 and 2x 17 element H polarity. Rx is Watkins Johnson MiniCeptor 250kHz wideband DSP and linrad, with another one of WA2ODO's fancy preamps I will simply be using W7EME BL02, please make a note of it. See you there. 73 Jeremy
SOURCE: tnx to Jeremy, W7EME, direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** 5W0GJ on 6m EME - Please distribute widely! **

Now that the summer Es season is winding down, it is time to remind you again that it is time for some half million mile 6m DXing to begin again! In case any of you serious 6m operators with digital mode capability still need Samoa (5W), this is a reminder that I am going there in only FOUR WEEKS! All you need is some decent ground gain for your 6m yagi, an amplifier and JT65A mode. For North and South American stations, I will be elevating on MY end, so you can just keep your antenna aimed at the horizon during your moonset during the last days of August. With ground gain and optimum EME cndx, amazing things are possible - I worked N3CXV with his single 6M5X yagi on both my previous DXpeditions to 3D2 and E51.
For European stations, our best chance is during the week of August 22 during my moonrise. Although cndx are not as good then as on the last weekend of August, it is also your moonset, so we have a good chance of ground gain on both ends, which should make up for the difference in Degradation.
If you are one of the numerous 6m stations who have recently added elevation, please try to catch up with me during my moonrise out over the water. I expect that to be my best direction. I was surprised to find W7CE with his single 6M9KHW pointed up in the air was one of the first stations I worked during my first moonrise from 3D2 last fall! Full information is on my website below and also will be updated there and on the MMM on VHF DXpedition website:

http://www.bigskyspaces.com/w7gj/Samoa2011.htm - Please read the information on my website about my schedule and also familiarize yourself with the procedure I use for my 6m EME DXpeditions: http://www.bigskyspaces.com/w7gj/DXpedition%20Procedure.pdf I am excited about handing out a new DXCC to many deserving 6m operators who take the time to get on and look for me on JT65A mode. Please spread out and only work me once, to allow others an opportunity for a contact during these limited days! I hope to be able to update a list of stations worked from time to time as I can find a place with internet access. I hope you also will be able to add a 5W0GJ QSL card on your wall ;-) GL and VY 73, Lance
SOURCE: Lance Collister, W7GJ, direct to MMMonVHF

** TK9VOCE active on HF and VHF bands **

Hi friends - TK9VOCE, will be aired starting July 23rd afternoon, until July 24, by Corsican Hams, from the convent of Cervione (North East of Corsica). All modes and bands, HF, VHF (except 50 MHz which is forbidden here), and UHF. QSL via Jacques, TK1LG. Exceptionnaly a QSO will be held under the TK9VOCE callsign, on July 22nd evening startiong 1830 utc on 3709.5 kHz Be lucky, Tks Tony, TK5XN
SOURCE: tnx to Maurice, F5NQL, direct to MMMonVHF

** VK9L - LORD HOWE ISLAND, OC-004 **

The HARAOA group around VK2IR plans a DXpedition to Lord Howe (OC-004) from Jul 23 until Aug 2. They will sign VK9HR with several stations at the same time in CW, SSB and RTTY on 160m-6m. They have five radios, power amplifiers, several verticals and yagis QSL via EB7DX. Find more information at: http://www.lordhowe2011.com
SOURCE: [DXNL] DXNL 1737 (Jul 20, 2011)

** SA-045 ACTIVATION - PRESS RELEASE **

Orlando (PT2OP) and Fred (PY2XB) will carry on an operation from Parazinho Biologic Reserve in Bailique Archipel (SA-045) From August 17th thru August 24th 2011. The team will operate on SSB/CW and DIGITAL modes from 40m to 10m. They will use IOTA and DX frequencies. The callsigns have been issued as PQ8OP (Orlando) and PQ8XB (Fred). Orlando will carry on mostly Phone and Digital traffic. Fred will do mostly CW and also DIGITAL. They will also have 6m capabilities and will monitor the band for openings. The equipment will be Icoms 706 and 7000 with an 400W THP amplifier. Antennas will be an SteppIR vertical (40-6m) and a Zepp (40-10m). Power will be off a Diesel generator. Eventually, during generator off periods, batteries will be used. The Parazinho Bilologic Reserve is an biologic sanctuary. Only an Environmental Ministery/State Secretary outpost is available

in the site. The site is about 300km straight line far from French Guyana border. Few meters from the outpost there is an automatic Lighthouse run by Brazilian Navy. So this operation will not only account for a rare IOTA but also for WLOTA awards (L-1123) and ALRHS (number awaiting confirmation). QSO valid for Brazilian Islands Diplom DIB AP-03; Brazilian Lighthouses Diploma DFB AP-03 and South American Lighthouses Diplom DFA. The team will arrive in Macapa, capital city of the state of Amapa, on August 14th. Then on the 16th it will sail to the Biologic Reserve. The boat ride takes 12 hours to Vila Progresso - a small fishermen community, plus 30 minutes in a motor boat to the reserve. Boat ride schedule will depend on tides that can get amplitudes as high as 10meters. The team will take food water and essential goods as well a spare generator and fuel for the entire period. The team will return on the 25th to Macapa, depending on the tide levels. To be confirmed, on the August 26th its planned an activation from Sï¿½o Josï¿½ de Macapa Fortress, the biggest historic brazilian fortress. Valid for DFH Historical Brazilian Fortress with code DFH AP-01. PQ8OP cards will be handled by PT2OP and PQ8XB cards by PT7WA. Stay tuned - SOURCE: Orlando, PT2OP via Dave, VA3RJ

** N8OFS/P (Caboose) In the CX Phone Contest announcment... **

Now that everything is 'official', I can announce my entry in the CX (Classic Exchange) Phone Contest 2011 Broadcasting Live and Direct from the BIG Caboose at the beloved AC&J Railroad (Jefferson Ohio EN91or Ashtabula County)... The CX is a no-pressure contest celebrating the older commercial and homebrew equipment that was the pride and joy of ham shacks many decades ago. The object is to encourage restoration, operation and enjoyment of this older "Classic" equipment. (This is MY kind of Contest)... :)
>Date: The AM - SSB - FM CX will run from 1400 UTC September 18 to 0800 UTC September 19, 2011. (9 AM Eastern Time on Sunday to 3 AM Eastern Time Monday) Call: "CQ Classic Exchange" What: Exchange your name, RST, QTH (state US, province for Canada, country for DX), receiver and transmitter manufacturer/model (homebrew send final amp tube or transistor type) and other interesting conversation. Note: The same station may be worked with different equipment combinations on each band and in each mode. Freq's: I will start and CQ on 52.525FM, then move to 52.500AM (unless your boat anchor won't go that high, or is rockbound; then we'll work something out), then switch to 52.500USB; then back to 52.525FM to finish the QSO... If you have another rig that will do 6 Meters, then repeat the process all over again... Equiptment: A 17 year old Kenwood TS-60 to 29.4ft of LMR-400 to the "DOMINATOR" 5/8 wave Vertical at 29.5ft off the ground supported by the Caboose roofwalk and a 8' Shakespeare heavy duty mast... QSL Instructions: QSL Direct or eQSL with AG status... Log will be uploaded to LotW; but I still want a Card, eQSL with AG status, or both... For more information, please see: http://www.classicexchange.org PeAcE...

SOURCE: tnx to Andy, N8OFS, direct to MMMonVHF

** IOTA Activity - J45 - DODECANESE **

Members of the SV9 DX Team with co-operation of SV5BYR will be
active as J45K from Kasos Island (EU-001) during the RSGB IOTA
Contest (July 30-31st). The first team with the equipment will
be on the island Tuesday, July 26th. Operations will start next
day on 160-6 meters, as well as 2 meters band during weekend. QSL
via SV9DJO and LoTW. SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1019

** JT, MONGOLIA - JT1FDB qrv from Ulaanbaatar **

Frank, DD0CW, is now active as JT1FDB from Ulaanbaatar until the
first week of August. According to his QRZ.com Web page, he will
be active as JT1FDB/7 most of the time from Bugat near Erdenet
(Locator: ON19UB) about 400 km NW of Ulaanbaatar. He will be from
Ulaanbaatar only during the first week and last week. Frank has
permission to be active on all HF bands (160-6m) and VHF/UHF bands
using all modes, but he prefers CW. Activity over the past weekend
was on 15 and 6 meters. He will use a FT-100D with a GP and Dipole
antennas. QSL via DD0CW. SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1019

** ZD8 - ASCENSION ISLAND, AF-003 **

A German group plans to activate Ascension Island (AF-003,
WLOTA 1491) between Jul 24 and Aug 9. They will work as ZD8D
on 160m-6m, mainly in CW and RTTY but also in SSB. The team of
DL1CW, DJ4KW, DK1IP, DL7OR is led by DJ9KH and plans to work with
two stations simultaneously around the clock using Quads,
verticals and yagis. For more information and updates click on:
http://www.zd8d.de SOURCE: [DXNL] DXNL 1737 (Jul 20, 2011)

** JD1BLY active from Chichijima Island (IOTA AS-031) **

I JD1BLY(JI5RPT) will be active from Chichijima Island (IOTA AS-031)
Ogasawara on 40m to 6m + Satellite CW/SSB/DIGI (NO 6m EME) from
Aug. 1 to 7 2011. QSL via my home callsign JI5RPT. My logsearch
will be on my web site; http://www.ji5rpt.com/jd1/ I also use
Twitter to inform my real time activities http://twitter.com/jd1bly
SOURCE: Makoto, JD1BLY via 73 Bill/NG3K DX-News

** IOTA Activity - EU-073 **

Members of the Associazione Radioamatori Marina Italiani Sezione
di Taranto (A.R.M.I) and 599 DX Team will be active as IJ7DX from
San Pietro Island between August 18-21st. Activity will be on the
HF bands and 6 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL
via IZ7LDC. For more details, visit their Web page at:
http://www.armi.ta.it/ij7dx SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1019

** TC7EYOF, TURKEY (Special Event) between July 22-31st **

Members of the Trabzon Branch (TRAC) will activate their club
station using the special callsign TC7EYOF between July 22-31st.
This special activity is in celebration/promotion and during the
"TRABZON 2011, 11th European Youth Olympic Festival" sports event.
Look for activity to take place on the HF, 6m and 2m bands, using
CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via YM7KA, direct or by the
Bureau. For more details, visit the TRAC Web page at:
http://www.ym7ka.com SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1019

Operators John IK8LIU, Francesco IK8WEJ, Vincenzo IZ0FKE, Oreste
IZ8EDJ, Aurelio IZ8EGM, Rosario IZ8KNW, Dario IZ8LKL, Fabio IZ8OJG
and Giuseppe IZ8UZF will be active as IC8L on the 24th of July 2011
from Licosa Island (IOTA EU-031, IIA SA-001, MIA MI-051, WW Loc.
JN70KG) and lighthouse (WAIL CA-020, ARLHS ITA-089, TWLHD WLH I-019
WLOTA 3342). The island of Licosa is also part of the Cilento and
Vallo di Diano National Park (WFF IFF-008), and is located in the
Campania Region, Salerno Province (SA), Comune of Castellabate
Expect activity on all HF bands, propagation permitting.
QSL via IZ8EGM, direct or bureau. www.ic8l.net
SOURCE: tnx to IZ0FKE, direct to MMMonVHF

** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 2359 UTC ...

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like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USER who did send us info and News **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
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The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
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668. Welcome to rec.radio.info!

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URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

*** Welcome to rec.radio.info! ***

Welcome to rec.radio.info, a group that aims to provide a noise-free
source of information and news for the entire rec.radio hierarchy.

Two introductory articles about rec.radio.info are posted to the group
every month. You are now reading the first article, which explains what
rec.radio.info is, and answers some Frequently Asked Questions. The
second article is titled Posting Guidelines, and you only need to read
it if you want to submit an article to rec.radio.info.

You can skip to the next section of this article by searching for the
next
" -- " string. The sections available are:
- What is the purpose of rec.radio.info?
- Why are messages almost always cross posted to rec.radio.info?
- What is a 'follow-up', and what does 'moderated' mean?
- OK, so now I know what 'moderated' means. Tell me more.
- What type of material is considered inappropriate?
- I do not have access to news, how can I get the information posted to
rec.radio.info?
- Will the material appearing in rec.radio.info be archived somewhere?
- I have a regular posting with timely information, is there a way to
speed up it's delivery, or automate for more convenience?

-- What is the purpose of rec.radio.info?

The purpose or charter of rec.radio.info is to provide the Usenet
community with a resource for information, news, and facts about any and
all things radio.

All the other rec.radio groups are intended for discussions and general
chit chat about radio. Rec.radio.info will contain informational,
factual articles only. Follow-ups are redirected to an appropriate other
group, and further discussion (if any) will not take place in
rec.radio.info.
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In order to ensure that rec.radio.info contains only appropriate articles, it was decided to create the group as a moderated newsgroup.

-- Why are messages almost always cross posted to rec.radio.info?

It provides a "tag" for each article to be assembled into a filtered presentation in rec.radio.info (even with cross-posting, only one message, with a unique Message-ID, is propagated across the net). This tag also facilitates a pre-existing method of dropping or canceling the articles locally within the discussion groups if you don't want to see them. This accommodates individuals who want to separate the bulletins from the discussions, discussions from the bulletins, as well as those who are adamant about not reading another newsgroup and wanted to see everything all in one basket.

With the total size of Usenet (in number of newsgroups and total traffic) doubling every year or so, this is no insignificant contribution to reducing information noise and chaos. Making the discussion groups a catch-all, and making extra newsgroups filters on that catch-all, is also the most realistic way to implement such a scheme (It's not intuitively obvious what the charter, contents, and general appropriate topics for each and every newsgroup are. Seeing FAQ's and charter/intro postings in the home newsgroup is beneficial for new readers).

By cross-posting one only is adding a few tens of bytes to each bulletin (to specify the extra group on the Newsgroups line), but are adding the capability for very powerful filtering features available on most news servers, listservers and readers. Your local news guru could probably explain these features in more detail.

In rn, for example, according to Leanne Phillips in her rn kill-file FAQ, add a line of the form:

/Newsgroups:.*[,]rec\.radio\.info/h:j

either in ~/News/KILL (if you don't want to see rec.radio.info articles anywhere) or ~/News/rec/radio/amateur/misc/KILL (if you don't want to see them just in rec.radio.amateur.misc). The latter method means your kill file will only be consulted during rec.radio.amateur.misc (and hence runs more efficiently), and will probably work for most people.

In nn, according to Bill Wohler in his nn FAQ, add a line of the form:

rec.radio.info:!s/:^

in ~/.nn/kill (if you don't want to see rec.radio.info articles anywhere), or put the following lines:

sequence
rec.radio.info
rec.radio.

at the end of ~/.nn/init in order to see all the rec.radio.info bulletins first, then read the remaining rec.radio.* without the

bulletins.

In slrn, according to the srln FAQ, the following scoring rule will | allow you to see rec.radio.info-crossposted bulletins, while still | filtering out most SPAM or "Velveeta" crossposted to more than 2 | newsgroups (as such articles usually do not contain a 'Followup-To:' | header): |

Score: -9999 |
Newsgroups: ,.*, |
~Followup-To: . |

More information about kill files may be obtained from Dave Fawthrop's Killfile FAQ at:

http://www.hyphenologist.co.uk/killfile/

-- What is a 'follow-up', and what does 'moderated' mean?

If you are new to Usenet and are not familiar with the terminology, you might want to read the general introductory articles found in the newsgroup news.announce.newusers. Doing so will make your life on the net much easier, and will probably save you from making silly beginner's mistakes.

If you think that at this moment you are reading an echo, a conference, or a bulletin board, I'd also strongly suggest a trip over to news.announce.newusers.

For the rest of this article, we will assume you have a basic knowledge of Usenet terminology and mechanics.

A moderated group means that any article that needs to be posted to the group has to be accepted by the moderator of the group. Since we need to ensure that followups to an article (discussion) do not show up in the rec.radio.info newsgroup, the `Followup-To:' header line contains a newsgroup that is appropriate for discussions about the specific article.

-- OK, so now I know what 'moderated' means. Tell me more.

Rec.radio.info is a moderated newsgroup, which means that all articles submitted to the group will have to be approved by the moderator first.

The current moderator of the group is the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team. Submissions to rec.radio.info can be posted, or e-mailed to:

rec-radio-info@panix.com

Comments, criticisms, suggestions or questions about the group can be e-mailed to:

rec-radio-info-request@panix.com

But before you do so, please be sure to check out the "Posting Guidelines" article.

The influence of the moderator should be minimal and of an administrative nature, consisting chiefly of weeding out obviously inappropriate articles, while making sure correct headers etc. are used for the appropriate ones.

-- What type of material is considered inappropriate?

There are three broad categories of articles which will be rejected by the moderator:

1) Requests for information: rec.radio.info is strictly a one-way street. We receive information in our mailbox; we then post it to rec.radio.info. Requests for specific information belong in the normal discussion newsgroups. If your request gets answered, you might consider passing the answer on to rec.radio.info, though. Especially if you can edit it into a informational, rather than a discussion, format.

2) Obvious discussion articles, or articles that appear unsubstantiated.

3) Commercial stuff: a relatively unbiased test of a radio product would be accepted, but any hint of for-profit might be reason for rejection. For three reasons: This is not the purpose of the list, for-profit is a controversial topic, and this list may be passed onto Amateur Packet Radio (where for-profit is prohibited except under certain provisos).

rec.radio.swap may be more deserving of the posting in any matter.

Similarly, copyrighted material generally cannot be used. If it's TRULY worthwhile to the net, We would recommend obtaining permission from the copyright holder. Please note the source, and if permission was given. We reserve the right to make the final decision concerning appropriateness in all situations. In most cases, a brief summary of, or pointer to, the copyrighted information may be all we can allow.

-- I do not have access to news, how can I get the information posted to rec.radio.info?

Google has an excellent web interface to Usenet newsgroups. It is available at:

http://groups.google.com

It supports both reading and posting.

Another excellent web interface to at least the radio-related Usenet newsgroups is the RadioBanter site:

http://www.radiobanter.com

sponsored by the NewsgroupBanter project:

http://www.newsgroupbanter.com

It, too, supports both reading and posting.

-- Will the material appearing in rec.radio.info be archived somewhere?

Yes. See Google Groups and RadioBanter above.

Effectively this means that anything you post to rec.radio.info will be permanently stored, so your work will not be lost.

-- I have a regular posting with timely information, is there a way to speed up it's delivery, or automate for more convenience?

Yes, there is! It may take a bit of chatter with the moderator, but we are willing to take responsible people and provide them the means of posting the articles directly from their site. We will try everything we can as we fully realize that DX (distant signal) and astronomical data can be somewhat transitory. We are also willing to allow regular posters of information the same courtesy, even if the information is not as time critical.

We refer to this as self-moderation, which is partly based on the model for rec.answers/news.answers. This requires co-operation and goodwill to be beneficial to the community in the rec.radio hierarchy.

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms about this article to rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

(Adapted, with permission, from the original article written by Mark Salyzyn, AG4YD, ex-VE6MGS.)

669. rec.radio.info Posting Guidelines

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-22 06:05:02 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/rec-radio-info/guidelines-1-1311314700@panix.com>
Source record: 4309
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.info,rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.answers,news.answers

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/rec-radio-info/guidelines
Revision: 1.5 2007/03/22 16:30:49
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

*** rec.radio.info - Posting Guidelines and Etiquette ***

Two introductory articles about rec.radio.info are posted to this group
and to rec.answers/news.answers every month. You are now reading the
second article, which explains how to submit something to
rec.radio.info, and which answers some Frequently Asked Questions about
the submission process. The first article is titled "Welcome to
rec.radio.info", and it might be a good idea to check it out as well.

-- How do I submit something to rec.radio.info?

Two possibilities. You can use your newsreading software to just post
the article to rec.radio.info, as you would do with any other
newsgroup. The difference is that the software recognizes the special
status of rec.radio.info as a moderated group, and will e-mail your
article to us, the moderation team, instead of posting it to the group.

Alternatively, you can mail your article directly to us at the following
address:

rec-radio-info@panix.com

Mailing us directly is probably (a wee bit) faster, but using the
transparency offered by the newsreading software is probably more
convenient.

If you have any questions, or wish to deal with some administrivia with
the moderation team, we suggest mailing to the following address:

rec-radio-info-request@panix.com

-- How soon will I see my article appear?

It depends on how busy we are. Your article reaches us as mail, we have
to read it first, give it the stamp of approval, and finally send it on
to the group. We will attempt to read and decide on all submissions
within 72 hours at the very least, though we will probably be able to
process submissions much faster in actual practice.
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The site from which we moderate this newsgroup, "Public Access Internet and Unix, NYC" (Panix), is directly connected to the Internet, and articles posted at that site should appear at most major news sites, including Google Groups, the same day. The principal delay, therefore, will be the wait in the moderator's submission queue.

If you post a periodic article, and have shown to be trustworthy, we may allow you to post directly if the article is of a timely nature. See the section below on direct posting.

-- Should my article be in a specific format?

No. If it is not totally illegible, we will accept it, and if it does not have a correct subject-line we will correct it with your permission -- that's what a moderator is for.

However.

You could do us a big favor by making sure your article conforms to these simple requirements:

1) The article must present information, not discussion or requests, We will reject the article or require you to change the wording if it is worth it.
2) A good, descriptive Subject line.
3) Always mention what source you got the information from.
4) Don't forget to include a Followup-To header, at least if you don't want further discussion to automatically be forwarded to you, the poster, which is the default if the article is only posted to rec.radio.info.

As we said: if your article is appropriate we will post it even if you don't follow these guidelines, but then don't blame us for not processing it immediately. 'Perfect' articles we can send on with a couple of keystrokes. Stuff that needs minor editing is going to have to wait until we have time to do so.

Please do not waste both our and your time by posting requests, as this is an information only news group.

-- What about crossposting?

If you send something to rec.radio.info, just name any group you'd like to cross-post to in the Newsgroups field. Then, when we approve the article for rec.radio.info it will get automatically cross-posted to any other groups mentioned. This will also override the default Followup-To: poster, replacing it with the groups you cross posted to.

We would prefer if the group be cross-posted to the various discussion groups in the rec.radio.* hierarchy that are appropriate:

rec.radio.amateur.misc Amateur (ham) radio and related matters
rec.radio.amateur.packet Amateur Packet Radio discussions
rec.radio.amateur.policy Amateur Radio practices, rules, etc.
rec.radio.noncomm Non commercial radio discussions

rec.radio.shortwave International broadcasting on the 'HF' bands
rec.radio.cb Citizens Band (27 MHz) discussion
rec.radio.scanner Scanner discussions (unsupported group)

or in one of the moderated groups:

rec.radio.amateur.moderated Amateur radio practices, rules, etc.
rec.radio.broadcasting Discussion of *domestic* radio broadcasting

We will leave it up to the poster to decide which group(s) are appropriate, but reserve the right to add groups if we feel it has broader interest. We will consult with the poster first.

Notes on crossposting:

- rec.radio.broadcasting is also a moderated group. The rec.radio.broadcasting moderator prefers to review all articles himself before posting. Placing rec.radio.broadcasting before rec.radio.info on the Newsgroups line should accomplish this. We will typically abide by the rec.radio.broadcasting moderator's decision whether the article is appropriate for rec.radio.info.

- rec.radio.amateur.moderated is also a moderated group. As the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team manages both rec.radio.amateur.moderated and rec.radio.info, we can manage crossposting and approvals for both newsgroups. The rec.radio.amateur.moderated group does not allow crossposting to other discussion newsgroups, whether moderated or unmoderated. However, we would like to manage rec.radio.info as consistently as possible with how it was done by previous moderators, including the grandfathering of existing regular postings. Therefore, the submitter can choose rec.radio.amateur.moderated or the other unmoderated rec.radio.amateur.* discussion newsgroups for crossposting, but not both.

- Any FAQ or informational posting approved by the rec.answers/news.answers moderation team that is also crossposted to any rec.radio.* newsgroup (besides just rec.radio.info) is also automatically pre-approved for rec.radio.info. See below for more information.

If you post to another moderated group, it may be better to make special arrangements with both moderators before posting by contacting us at our administrivia addresses.

In addition, cross-posts do not take up extra space; modern newsreaders can be configured to show you cross-posted articles only once anyway; not everybody reads rec.radio.info; and rec.radio.info was never meant to reduce the volume of the regular discussion newsgroups. But keep in mind that some of the mail gateways may filter out the informational postings (at request of the subscribers) to keep the load down.

You decide.

-- I have a regular posting with timely information, can I make arrangements to help speed up delivery by posting directly from my site?

Yes, there is! It may take a bit of chatter with the moderator, but we are willing to take responsible people and provide them the means of posting the articles directly from their site. We will try everything we can as we fully realize that DX (distant signal) and astronomical data can be somewhat transitory. We are also willing to allow regular posters of information the same courtesy, even if the information is not as timely.

We refer to this as self-moderation, which is partly based on the model for rec.answers/news.answers. This requires cooperation and good will to be beneficial to the community in the rec.radio.* hierarchy.

If you are currently maintaining (or plan to maintain) a radio-related periodic information posting, you may wish to consider crossposting it to rec.answers/news.answers. Postings that are approved by the rec.answers/news.answers moderators for this treatment are automatically pre-approved for crossposting to rec.radio.info (as the news.answers requirements are far more rigorous than the requirements this newsgroup ever plans to use). For more information about this option, consult the appropriate information articles and posting guidelines in rec.answers/news.answers.

Realize also, that even if your post is not approved for rec.answers/news.answers, it can still be approved for rec.radio.info. The intention is not so much to get every last bit of radio-related information on rec.answers/news.answers, but rather to provide an alternative avenue of approval (as well as grandfather existing maintainers of radio-related information and spare them additional bureaucratic hurdles). Again, crossposting to either rec.radio.info or rec.answers/news.answers, both, or neither, is at the discretion of the poster (subject to the approval of the moderators). You decide what is most appropriate for your article.

Please remember that as an information maintainer, you are not alone. There are many others on the net who maintain and post periodic information postings, using various intermediate-to-advanced features of Usenet (usually via automated tools). Various degrees of technical support and general hand-holding are available from many Usenet veterans. Send us some E-mail describing your needs to our administrative address below, and we'll try to help, or at least refer you to the right knowledgeable individual(s).

-- And Follow-ups?

If the only newsgroup you have specified is rec.radio.info, then the Followup-To: field will always be set to poster. If you do not want this, you must supply a Followup-To line of your own, and we will honor that one, as long as it is a subset of the original Newsgroups line.

If you specify newsgroups to cross-post to, then the Followup-To field will be set to include all the cross-posted groups, excepting rec.radio.info itself. Again, if you do not wish this behavior, supply your own Followup-To line.

We maintain other standards on the various RFC-1036 (news transport) header lines. For example, if the article is appropriate for passing into the Packet Radio Information Network, we encapsulate the Packet Bulletin Identifier (BID) in the Message-ID: news header line indicating the machine of origin as the ampr.org domain:

Message-ID: <$opa.55.1994@ampr.org> |

where the Packet Radio BID, in this example, is `$OPA.55', and it was posted in the year 1994, because some of the Bid numbers are cycled yearly. Hopefully, this can be used as a key to re-introduce the articles for the Packet Radio network. Also, if the article is a repost of an already existing information article in the rec.radio heirarchy, we ensure that the References: header line is linked to that previously posted article. This also helps to tag articles, and may be used for additional filtering if needed.

Since the articles are archived, please use the Summary and Keywords header lines to help one search for your article.

-- Why have I received no reply from you?

We never reject anything in silence, and we make a point of it to answer all our mail. However, E-mail, like a brain cell, can and does get lost, every now and again.

So, if you send us something, and you don't see it appear it rec.radio.info, and you still have not heard from us in reply after say, five days, you can be pretty sure that either your mail never reached us, or that our answer has never reached you. In that case, please try again (We will filter out duplicates).

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms about this article to rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

(Adapted, with permission, from the original article written by Mark Salyzyn, AG4YD, ex-VE6MGS.)

670. WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING July 24 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-22 07:48:53 UTC
From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
Message-ID: <d32a41a1-7954-4675-8d70-07218cd29bcc@smxsrv01.vintek.net>
Source record: 4310
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2011-07-24.mp3
Text edition:

WIANEWS - July 24 - VK NATIONAL NEWS

THE BEST NEWS YOU'LL GET ALL WEEK

Oh... and to contact us with your news because
If It Matters To You It Matters To Us!

email nationalnews@wia.org.au

http://www.wia.org.au (click news in member area) Submit your audio news

TWITTER http://twitter.com/VK1WIA

Please.. If you are only submitting text and not audio, write your story as
you would expect to hear it being read back and NEVER send just links & url's.

WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING July 24 2011.

WIA Monitoring Service request volunteers who can assist with
linguistic skills.

ANOTHER ARISSAT-1 DELAY

RD CONTEST REPORT

THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING JULY 24 2011.

WIA
President Michael Owen VK3KI president@wia.org.au
Vice President Phil Wait VK2ASD vk2asd@wia.org.au
Secretary Sarah Thompson VK3AUD secretary@wia.org.au
Treasurer John Longayroux VK3PZ vk3pz@wia.org.au

A few weeks ago we heard from WIA Director Peter Young in relation to the
WIA Monitoring Service with a request from Peter for volunteers who can
assist with linguistic skills, this to help with monitoring reports of
intruders on to our HF bands. Peter said that sometimes phone
communications are in foreign languages that once identified can assist
with the location and possible identification of the intruder. So if you
have skills particularly in Asian or Middle Eastern languages and dialects

Peter would like to hear from you. You can contact Peter by email vk3mv@wia.org.au

ACMA NEWS

The total number of Australian internet subscribers rose by 17 per cent in 2010 and the average amount of data downloaded increased by a further 29 per cent over the same period, according to research released by the ACMA.

'These increases reflect again the ongoing digital boom in online social and economic activity,' said Chris Chapman, ACMA Chairman.

'More and more Australians are going online to do their shopping, banking and social networking.'

The report, The internet service market and Australians in the online environment, found that that more than 15 million people aged 14-years and over used the internet during the December quarter of 2010, up from 14.2 million during the same quarter in 2009.

In addition, 71 per cent of internet users went online at least once a day in December 2010, compared to 67 per cent in December 2009 - an increase of 1.2 million users.

The 300th entry for the International Lighthouse & Lightship Weekend

The milestone entry 300 is for the R&#65533;vargrund Lighthouse, under the club station OH6NR, which plans to have a good experienced presence on the bands.

On an island in Western Finland and one of seven from that country, it's to be activated by DXers who on their recent outings to R&#65533;vargrund favoured HF through 6-metres including the digimodes.

With three weeks to go there have been an average of five entries a day. This is to escalate in the final weeks and it's not too late to get permission to set up and make an entry.

There's lots of easily assessable lighthouses that have not yet made it on the 2011 list. So far we have more than 40 countries in all and this too is expected to rise. Why not join in the fun that is had on the third weekend of August?

Visit the revised website at ILLW.NET to check out the full list of entries, read more details or register for the International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend on August the 20th and 21st.

The WIA gives Australian radio amateurs and electronics enthusiasts access to an extensive range of locally and internationally sourced publications including those from the ARRL and the RSGB.

Our bookshop is designed to provide you with a simple and secure way to purchase the latest amateur radio books and publications online. We use a secure commercial e-commerce gateway for all credit card transactions and

delivery to your door is provided by Australia Post.

Purchasing the latest in amateur radio publications is both secure and easy.

We hold a wide range of the most popular publications suitable for those starting out in the hobby as well as books popular with the more experienced hobbyists.

If there is a particular publication that you are trying to locate that is not listed in our online catalogue, then we would be more than happy to help you. Please send an email with the details of the book you are looking for to bookshop@wia.org.au

Both WIA members and non members are able to purchase from the WIA online bookshop, however the bookshop provides significant discounts to members of the Wireless Institute of Australia.

>From time to time we do run specials on some publications, so keep an eye on your Amateur Radio magazine each month for details.

This is Mal VK3FDSL for the WIA Bookshop

Solar panels stolen during break in Coomera.

Queensland Police are investigating the theft of between 200 and 300 solar panels with the inverters from a business at Coomera.

Unknown offenders forced a door to the business and loaded the items on to a truck that had earlier been reported stolen from a business at Middleton Street Ashmore. The truck is a 2005 Isuzu FR500 Torqueliner with a white cabin and has a blue back cover. It has attached Queensland registration plates 534 IIZ.

Members of the public are warned to be cautious of people selling solar panels at a heavily discounted price and to be sure they check the business's or seller's credentials before purchasing.

Anyone with information which could assist police with their investigations should contact Crime Stoppers anonymously via 1800 333 000 or crimestoppers.com.au

SILENT KEYS

Horrie Young VK2AMZ - a Life Member of the WIA / ARNSW

Horrie in WW2 was the radio operator on MV Krait in Operation Jaywick on the Commando raid on Singapore. After WW2 he rejoined the PMG / radio branch and ended up as Superintendent of the NSW Radio Branch.

An extensive interview script about him can be found on the internet at The Australians at War [Archive 1815]. His farewell was held Thursday.

Horrie was heard on the 2002 and 2006 RD opening address. http://wiaq.com/rd_archives/

He lived on the Central Coast.

The source of his passing was heard on Tuesday afternoon on the ABC Statewide program.

(Tim VK2ZTM)

Also passing is David Thompson formerly VK2BDT.

His death occurred on Tuesday the 19th of July on his 92nd birthday.

David would be well known as VK2 president for some years and was a very active Amateur and was the Founder and patron of the Goulburn Amateur Radio Society now Goulburn and Southern Highland Radio Society.

David had been in failing health recently and had entered hospital for a minor operation but sadly didn't survive.

(sourced to Ian Jeffrey VK2IJ)

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK0

FYI - the segment is on Mawson's establishment of two way radio from Macquarie Is and does feature MERG member Kev working DX.

ABC iView and thought you'd be interested.

13/07/11

www.abc.net.au/iview/#/view/799460

VK1

Once again RATSACT will be running a JOTA station at Camp Cottermouth from the 15-16 of October. All the normal activities with the theme this year being "Peace, Environment and Natural Disasters."

THIS YEAR JOTA IS THE LAST WEEKEND OF THE OCTOBER SCHOOL HOLIDAYS.

Wednesday 27th July 2011 CRARC's General Meeting Presentation Program at 7.30 PM is "WSPR 101" - An introduction to Weak Signal Propagation Reporter.

Ian VK1IS gives a presentation with a demonstration of hardware and software applications to enable users to participate in WSPR digital technology.

Then just when you thought nothing could be more exciting!

It is on again!

CRARC'sr Garage Sale, so much stock everything MUST go!

BUT Sales strictly AFTER the Presentation of "WSPR 101".

VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news

Sunday 31 st is the T&T at VK2WI

SARFEST - Sunday 7 August, ALL WELCOME, BE THERE.

All invited, traders, sellers, buyers, gawkers, walkers, talkers, just come for the heck of it Sunday 7 Aug 0800K.

No trader's site fee but a donation requested depending on your day.

TRADERS INTENDING TO ATTEND ARE ASKED TO CONFIRM TO vk2src@sarc.org.au

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/
Police Roundup http://www.vicpolicenews.com.au/

VK3GT and VK3SN will be leading a team of intrepid friends on a back country adventure as they ski across the Bogong High Plains. The group will be up in the Victorian Alps above 1800 m in what is expected to be some of the best Winter snow for many years.

They will once again be using rugged ultra light solar powered gear with homebrew antennas to work 20 & 40m each afternoon and 80m every night.

They will move across the white snowy wilderness by day, setting up camp at night in remote huts, snow caves and even igloos. Listen out for them from 15-19 August calling CQ from the roof of Victoria.

(wia events)

VK4 - QNEWS
web service local audio news:- www.wiaq.com/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
local news email qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
VKR Roundup http://www.police.qld.gov.au/News+and+Alerts/Media+Releases/

Welcome to QNews from VK4WIA. I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP, and I've been thinking.

Recently the news media gave prominence to an international report on the possible effects of radiation from mobile phones. There have been many earlier reports, claims and counter claims about the safety of hand held phones and the possible links to brain tumours caused by the radio frequency interacting at the cellular level.

The lowest cell phone frequency in use, in Australia is below 900MHz and our lowest equivalent amateur band starts just above 1200MHz. Cell phones are generally running milliwatts but we amateurs normally think in watts.

The point is, in my mind, that until the science is defined, it is best to act with caution. As the radiation field diminishes according to the inverse square law, the further away from body parts the transmitting antenna is located the greater the apparent safety. We have grown used to people with hand held radios carrying them on their belts and using speaker mics. What price kidney damage?

It seems that a metal lined safety hat with the antenna mounted atop as we have seen at some big ham meetings really has more to recommend it than just attracting attention.

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think....how about you?

CENTRAL QUEENSLAND AR CLUB
Rockhampton
cqar.com.au

A Digital Training Day was held at the Rockhampton Heritage Village, in North Rockhampton on Saturday July 9th 2011, a total of 19 people attended from both local clubs, the Rockhampton & District Amateur Radio Club inc and the Central Queensland Amateur Radio Association inc.

The day was centred around using the Tigertronics SLUSB Interface with the FLdigi Software, written by Dave Freese W1HJK.

Jack VK4JRC went through the aspects of setting up the interface, doing the offset corrections using the Check SR program and then it was on to the setting up FLdigi and exploring some of its many features.

Since many attendees brought along their computers, radios, power supplies and dummy loads, the day progressed with people helping each other work out the vagaries of the software and hardware to get up and running.

The lunch break saw Mike VK4LMB, Andrea VK4FROG, Maree and a band of helpers, cook up a storm on the Village BBQ with steaks, sausages and burgers all round.

After lunch it was back to 'school' and the learning continued! By the end of the day, there were many signals radiating around the room, with contacts being made over varying distances of up to 20 feet!

The day finished at about 4pm with the attendees leaving with their carry bag information packs for further study.

Thanks go to Jack VK4JRC for organising the day and Maree for providing gastronomic delights that would put a bakery to shame!

Thanks also go out to all the people who assisted and attended on the day and to the Rockhampton Heritage Village for the generous use of their facilities. Plans are now underway for another training day in using SSTV with the Tigertronics Interface.

I'm Adam - VK4MTJ on behalf of the Central Queensland Amateur Radio Association Incorporated.

MARYBOROUGH RADIO AND ELECTRONICS CLUB
For more info, call Secretary Kathy Johns 040-939-8853
Email: kathy.johns@bigpond.com
Channel 14 UHF CB call "CQ MERG"

In keeping with the promotion of the Wide Bay Hamfest, the members of the Maryborough Electronics and Radio Group got to share a rag chew and a cuppa with visiting amateurs, last Saturday 16th July.

With visitors from the Wide Bay itself, Gin Gin to the north and Gympie, Sunshine Coast through to Brisbane and one lone VK7 we enjoyed a low key function on a wet and blustery day.

Items of pre-loved equipment as well as product brochures supplied by Icom Australia left the hall and out the back the VK4-ICE Communication display never

seemed to be free of visitors. MERG is really appreciative of David Tavener's support over the last 3 years and thanks David for the donation, not only of a Wouxun H/T as raffle prize but also an antenna for the permanent JOTA station at the Aldershot Scout Camp.

The weather had an effect on the number attending but a successful day was enjoyed and the efforts of the ladies from the local scout group was greatly appreciated with hot food and drinks being available.

For MERG, I'm Geoff, VK4ZPP and hope to see you next year at the Wide Bay Hamfest.

ROCKHAMPTON
IRLP NODE 6973
e-mail vk4jym@wia.org.au
Secretary Jim 04 2948 4734
http://www.radarclub.org.au

Greetings from the Rockhampton and District Amateur Radio Club, the RADAR Club. This is Les VK4VIL reporting.

Last weekend, the club worked with the Central Queensland Motor Sporting Club, undertaking communications for Round 2 of the Queensland Rally Championships held at the Capricorn Resort.

Twelve operators were on hand from the club.

As the area is heavily wooded and hilly, duties included setting up repeaters and radio headquarters for the event and completing general field relay of information as well as conducting emergency comms for accidents, injuries and recoveries. With the course classed as very slippery, bingles were common and at the end of the day, only 16 of the initial 28 cars entered remained operational. Good emergency training.

To allow early results to be collated in time for the dinner and presentations, operators were also kept busy between other tasks, reporting all competitor result times for the numerous stages over the three courses.

Leon VK4KLL at the resort's headquarters was kept busy on 4 radios which operated on one VHF frequency, one Wicen UHF frequency and two UHF CB Channels as well as coordinating with the Clerk of the Course and the score keeper. John, VK4AJS ran a second base at one of the courses to prevent confusion.

During the dinner, the motor sporting club acknowledged the RADAR clubs operation as professional, and essential for the conduct of the event with an undertaking for continued collaboration in 2012.

The radio club's next major event is a visit to Cape Capricorn Lighthouse for the annual International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend next month.

I'm Les VK4VIL, on behalf of the Rockhampton and District Amateur Radio Club.

VK7
local area news :- http://reast.asn.au/news.php

vk7 local news, email vk7regionalnews-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

The next meeting for the C.C.A.R.C. will be held at the penguin lions club rooms on the 30th of July with a help and demo session for those building "Squid Pole" antenna, and weather permitting Dion, VK7DB, will erect and test his unique version of the squid pole outside the meeting room.

There will also be some club surplus components and equipment for sale.

Other members are welcome to bring along unwanted amateur related bits and pieces to sell at the same time.

Meeting time will be 1.30pm and all welcome.

http://www.my-x15.net/ccarc/

(David, VK7DC, Secretary, CCARC)

WIA DIRECTORS WEEKLY REPORT

WIA Emergency Communications Training and Accreditation Update.

I thought I'd give you an update on the WIA's emergency communications training and accreditation system.

So far we have run training courses in many major Australian centres and we now have over 100 people trained in emergency communications. The emergency communications training and accreditation system is a two part process - training and accreditation, so the next step in the training program is accreditation.

So far 32 people have applied for accreditation as a WIA Volunteer Emergency Communications Operator. Those people need to show that they are available, fit and well, if required to help out in an emergency.

If you have completed the Emcomms training course, we encourage you to apply for accreditation by completing the application form in the emergency communications training section of the WIA website, or by contacting the WIA office.

We are now investigating the best way to move forward, that is, how to structure and coordinate the accredited operators, so they can be used effectively if required by emergency services or non-government organisations.

Like all things the WIA does, this work relies almost entirely on the goodwill, effort and time of volunteers. Without the volunteers the WIA would simply not be able to function as it does.

We need to find ways to better acknowledge the work of volunteers, but for now I would simply like to say thank you to all those people who have brought the WIA's Emcomms training system to its current position.

This Phil Wait, for the WIA.

EDUCATION YOUTH AND ADVANCEMENT OF AMATEUR RADIO
www.hamcollege.com.au

Assessments

Potential amateurs and those wishing to upgrade are reminded that exams can be conducted across the north west coast of the Apple Isle at a mutually agreed time and place by the Cradle Coast Amateur Radio Club examiners.

For further details on gaining a licence or upgrading, contact the Cradle Coast Amateur Radio Club learning organiser, Keith Winkler, VK7KW.

Contact details are available on the club website, go to wia.org.au and find Cradle Coast under the VK7 clubs.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART and the WW sources of the WIA.

Radio ham killed and another seriously injured in tower accident.
As a group of South Dakota hams were dismantling a 110 foot tower, a gust of wind toppled the final section, trapping two local hams, Tim Anderson, K0OR, 54, and Tom Embree, NC0K, underneath.

Loss of 2 meter simplex frequencies imminent in Texas!

Texas two meter simplex users stand to lose a large portion of available frequencies to D-Star repeaters if proposed changes to the two meter band plan are passed by the Texas VHF-FM Society.

South Sudan DXpedition

Paul, N6PSE says the advance team should have arrived in Juba, South Sudan Wednesday, July 20th, with a list of tasks to perform in advance of the main team. As the ITU has not yet issued a new prefix for South Sudan. Their March call-sign of ST0R will be call for the DXpedition unless ITU issues a new prefix.

World Scout Jamboree - SJ22S

Amateur radio stations have been set up at each World Scout Jamboree since 1957. They provide live-links from the Jamboree to the home countries of the participants over short-wave radio as well as being interesting stations for other amateurs to contact.

>From 27 July till 7 August 2011, the 22nd World Scout Jamboree at Rinkaby in Sweden will be on the air with call sign SJ22S (Scout Jamboree No 22 Sweden). This is a special event call sign.

The station will offer an exciting radio-scouting programme including kit building and fox hunting to the Jamboree participants.

Jim, ZL2APE, who is the NZ National Organiser for the Scout Jamborees on the Air, will be one of the station operators

Google "SJ22S", and go first to the QRZ listing for details of frequencies etc.

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

HAM RADIO FREDRICHSHAFEN ATTRACTS 16,300

The 2011 Ham Radio convention in Friedrichshafen, Germany took place the weekend of June 24th to the 26th. This annual event has become known as Europe's answer to the Dayton Hamvention in the U-S-A and Japan's famed Ham Fair.

Taking place at a venue on picturesque Lake Constance, this year's Ham Radio attracted 184 exhibitors and 16,300 visitors. Attendees came from all over the world. In addition to the German amateur radio community, other countries represented included Italy, Malaysia, Japan, Qatar the United Kingdom and the United States.

During the event 124 young people were given a demonstration of amateur radio. Some even tried soldering and playing with the Morse code. A video captures the flavor of Europe's largest amateur radio event, narrated in German, is on-line at tinyurl.com/arn-europe-ham

HAM RADIO IN SPACE: ANOTHER ARISSAT-1 DELAY

The orbiting of ARISSat One has been delayed for a few weeks. Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, is in the newsroom with the latest details:

According to ARISSat One Project Manager Gould Smith, WA4SXM , the former Suit-Sat will not make an appearance in space until sometime in August.

In a news release, Smith said he and ARISS Hardware Engineer Lou McFadin, W5DID participated in a teleconference call this week with NASA to review the Roscosmos spacewalk procedures for the release of ARISSat One during E-V-A 29. For those who never heard the term before, E-V-A is an acronym for Extra Vehicular Activity and is NASA-ese for describing a spacewalk

Smith now says the discussion cantered on preparation procedures including the battery being charged and assembled into the satellite. Also discussed were the procedures to remove the protective quilts from the solar cells and turning on the safety switches prior to deployment.

During a later teleconference Sergey Samburov, RV3DR announced that the ARISSat One battery will be charged in late July and a test of the system will be conducted from the ISS from 1915 UTC July 30th to about 1200 or 1400 UTC July 31st. The standard ARISSat One 2 meter downlink band plan should be transmitted as well as the FM signal also down linked on 437.55 MHz.

The ARRISSat One team believes that it is looking at an August 3rd date for actual deployment, but notes that this is all subject to change.

More information as it becomes available. For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the newsroom in Los Angeles.

EUROPEAN CB'ERS GET SSB OPERATION

A decision by the European Union has paved the way for the use of Single Sideband on 27 MHz CB across the British Isles and Europe. The revised regulation will permit European CB operators the use of SSB equipment running 12 watts Peak Envelope Power output in the frequency band 26.960 to 27.410 MHz.

The European Union decision to permit SSB on 11 meters came into force on June 24th and carries a preferred implementation by national telecommunications administrations of October 1st.

ON THE AIR" BATTLE OF BRITAIN STATION BECOMES PERMANENT SPECIAL EVENT

On the air, keep an ear open for U-K special event station GB4BOB to be active from September 1st to the 20th to commemorate the World War Two Battle of Britain. After running this station as a one-off for the battles 70th anniversary, the Pontefract and District Amateur Radio Society has now decided to keep it as an annual event to remember those who fought in it. QSL's go direct to G0BPK or via the RSGB bureau. More is on the Pontefract and District Amateur Radio Society website at www.pdars.com

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RSGB

600m and 4m for Netherlands

A recent change of the National Allocation Table in the Netherlands shows that Dutch amateurs will get a secondary allocation from 501-505kHz until 1st January 2014 and a secondary allocation from 70.0-70.5MHz.

The allocations will not start until an update is made of certain frequency control legislation.

TETRA ready for Olympics

As preparations for the Olympics gather pace, Airwave has announced that its specialist TETRA Network, Apollo, is ready to provide voice communications in the London area.

This uses UHF spectrum that is separate from the amateur 70cm allocation, however the scale of the games is such that additional spectrum may still be needed from the 70cm band on a temporary basis. An example of this is the forthcoming use of 70cm for telemetry to support sailing test events.

As announced last week, this will occur in the Weymouth and Portland area between Wednesday 20th July and Saturday 13th August. Further information can be found on the RSGB website

www.rsgb.org/olympics.

New RadCom free sample

A new free sample edition of RadCom is now available to read online or download from the RSGB website.

The sample RadCom is available in digital magazine format for reading online, which requires a Flash plug-in to your browser. For those who would like to save the magazine to their computer, or do not have Flash installed, a 24 megabyte PDF version is available.

The sample is the March 2011 edition.

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WEIRD AND WONDERFUL

What came before GeoCaching - Was it Letterboxing?

An interesting discussion around GeoCaching with Angela VK7FPAA at a DATV night lead to Angela telling REAST about LetterBoxing which was an early form of GeoCaching.

Letterboxing is an intriguing mix of treasure hunting, art, navigation, and exploring interesting, scenic, and sometimes remote places. It takes the ancient custom of placing a rock on a cairn upon reaching the summit of a mountain to an artform.

It started when a gentleman simply left his calling card in a bottle by a remote pool on the moors of Dartmoor, in England.

Here's the basic idea:

Someone hides a waterproof box somewhere (in a beautiful, interesting, or remote location) containing at least a logbook and a carved rubber stamp, and perhaps other goodies. The hider then usually writes directions to the box (called "clues" or "the map"), which can be straightforward, cryptic, or any degree in between. Often the clues involve map coordinates or compass bearings from landmarks.

Selecting a location and writing the clues is one aspect of the art.

Once the clues are written, hunters in possession of the clues attempt to find the box. In addition to the clue and any maps or tools needed to solve it, the hunter should carry at least a pencil, his personal rubber stamp, an inkpad, and his personal logbook. When the hunter successfully deciphers the clue and finds the box, he stamps the logbook in the box with his stamp, and stamps his personal logbook with the box's stamp. The box's logbook keeps a record of all its visitors, and the hunters keep a record of all the boxes they have found, in their personal logbooks.

For more information take a look at the link on the email editions of this broadcast.

www.letterboxing.org/
www.geocaching.com

(VK7WI)

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2011

Hello Listeners. I am peter Harding, VK4OD the WIA RD Contest Manager.

Today Sunday the 24th July and as this news goes to air, you have about 3 weeks to check with your local Club to see if they are going to participate and your Club's Equipment, Antennae's, logs sheets, and Logging Software are up to date.

I have just had a short time to assemble the RD Contest printable log sheets, declarations, etc. over the next couple of weeks I hope to be able to make

available these documents, they will be at the bottom of the RD Contest page, as a downloadable documents.

Remember In all cases, logs must be received by last mail on Friday 16th September, 2011 Late entries will not be eligible. Electronically sent logs will be returned with a courtesy note, also Snail Mail will be returned unopened.

Aug 20-21 WW I.L.L.W.

Oct 22 WIA Jack Files Contest

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January VK Ross Hull Memorial VHF UHF Contest

March 17-18 VK JOHN MOYLE MEMORIAL FIELD DAY

June Long Weekend (vk4 time) VK Shires Contest.

July First full weekend NZART Memorial Contest

Railways on the Air

Railways on the Air 2011 will take place on the weekend of 24 and 25 September.

As last year, the suggested frequencies for the event are 3,650, 7,120 and 14,120kHz, but participants are requested to avoid any interference with RSGB news reading.

Anyone is encouraged to register if they are working an historic railway site, it doesn't have to be a famous one or indeed one operating trains, just a site that has a railway heritage.

Registration and general enquiries can are through the website www.rota.m0php.net

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

AN-016, VP8/A, Antarctica:

VK2BFG is working as VK0BFG from Casey Station and has been spotted in SSB on 40m already.

ZLDXC Yahoo Group

If anyone would like to join they would dearly like to have them aboard so they can inform each country of what is happening within the Pacific area and beyond

Those interested please subscribe via Email to

:zldxc-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

Web site for ZLDXC
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/zldxc/

They Invite all Pacific and others to join ..

(73 Phillip ZL2TZE)

NEW AFRICAN COUNTRY

Thursday, 14 July the UN General Assembly admitted the Republic of South Sudan as its 193rd member state. Immediately following the General Assembly meeting, the flag of the Republic of South Sudan flew for the first time in front of the UN.

Now that the Republic of South Sudan is a member of the United Nations, the new country is now a DXCC entity. The SARL however say the ITU has not confirmed the new country's callsign prefix.

THE QNEWS WORK BENCH - the nuts and volts report -
(Measure twice - Cut once!)

The Illawarra Amateur Radio Society currently has a construction competition running that is open to amateur radio operators within VK.

There are prizes to be allocated in two categories.

Entry is easy, just build a crystal set.

Judging will be based on some simple rules:-

The crystal set must work i.e. receive a transmitted signal.
The crystal set can receive either commercial, broadcast or amateur signals.
No external power other than the received signal can be used.
Additional points will be gained by utilizing recycled parts, or home made components.
Additional points will be gained for Innovative design, and unique concepts.
The finished article does not need to be aesthetically pleasing.
Testing will be carried out at Industry World Centre, Wollongong 8/11/2011 (Between 19:30 - 22:00 Hrs).
The judge's decision will be final.

The judging of the contest will be at the IARS November meeting.

The Crystal set will need to be bought to the meeting on this evening, alternatively they can be posted to the Secretary Illawarra amateur radio society, by the meeting date which is 8th November 2011. Correct postage and packaging cost must be included if you require the project to be returned after the competition. Note that this project is a receive only construction, so it is therefore open to all license classes in VK.

Why not put together a club entry?

Old hands, why not take a newer member of the hobby under your wing and show them how construction was done when you first discovered radio.

Results and awards will be presented at the December 2011 meeting.

The two entry categories are:-

Category 1:- Financial members of the IARS
First Prize :- 2 metre Handheld radio
Second Prize:- Quality Screwdriver Set
Third Prize:- Lightweight Headphone Set

Numerous consolation prizes such as mouse mats, baseball caps

Category 2:- All other VK Hams
First Prize:- 2 metre Handheld Radio
Second Prize:- Quality Screwdriver Set
Third Prize:- Lightweight Headphone Set

Details are available on the Illawarra amateur Radio Society's web site
http://www.iars.org.au or email the secretary vk2vvv@wia.org.au

Silver pen has the 'write stuff' for flexible electronics

ScienceDaily report on a pen that can be used to create flexible electronic
circuits.

University of Illinois engineers have developed a silver-inked rollerball pen
capable of writing electrical circuits and interconnects on paper, wood and
other surfaces. The pen is writing whole new chapters in low-cost, flexible
and disposable electronics.

Read the ScienceDaily report at
http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2011/06/110628151632.htm

(southgate)

MEDIA WATCH
www.cq-amateur-radio.com/WorldRadio.html
VK Club Bulletins http://groups.yahoo.com/group/aarnie/

ANOTHER HOLLYWOOD BLOCKBUSTER FEATURES AMATEUR RADIO

2011 is replete with big movies, ranging from action-adventure flicks to
comedies to coming-of-age dramas. And already, Amateur Radio has played a
part in not one, but two movies.

In Mr Popper's Penguins, ham radio is featured, albeit incorrectly, on the big
screen. And now Super 8 -- a film set just outside Dayton, Ohio in 1979 -- uses
Amateur Radio in a crucial scene.

Super 8 revolves around a group of six middle-schoolers who witnesses a
mysterious train crash in the fictional town of Lillian. Soon after the crash,
the Air Force arrives and strange things start happening in the small town.

The kids, a group of young film makers (hence the title of the movie) begin to
investigate the creepy phenomena.

arrl.org/news/another-hollywood-blockbuster-features-amateur-radio

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ATV (Every pixel tells a story) - Video
arvideonews.com
hamradiotube.com

youtube.com
qdg.org.au

George VK4AJL gets active with HF SSTV

George and a few other Mackay hams are currently utilising the VK4AES EasyPal Digital SSTV software on 3642 to 3643kHz with good contact results into Rockhampton, Nanango and Gold Coast.

Good results are also being obtained on 40 and 20 metres.

George invites any other hams experimenting with EasyPal to give it a go on 80metres and join in with the Mackay Group.

(vk4zz)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

AMSAT-VK UNOFFICIAL HF Net.
2nd Sunday each month.
April through October 1000 UTC 3.685 MHz
November through March 0900 UTC 7.068 MHz

Free sample edition of OSCAR News

AMSAT-UK have made available a free PDF of the Spring 2011 edition of their newsletter OSCAR News.

It contains reports on four UK CubeSat projects currently being developed. News of new South African CubeSats and details of the telemetry on ARISsat-1 currently scheduled to be deployed from the International Space Station in August.

A printed copy of OSCAR News is posted to members each quarter.

Membership of AMSAT-UK is open to anyone who has an interest in Amateur Radio satellites/space activities, including the ISS. You do not have to have an amateur radio licence to join, many members are interested in listening to satellites and decoding the telemetry.

Read the OSCAR News PDF at
http://www.uk.amsat.org/on_193_final.pdf

Join AMSAT-UK at
http://tinyurl.com/JoinAMSAT-UK/

AMSAT-UK International Space Colloquium July 30-31 Guildford
http://www.uk.amsat.org/colloquium-2011/

AMSAT-UK: http://www.uk.amsat.org/

73 Trevor M5AKA

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- IOTA
http://rsgbiota.org

OC-142.

Southgate news in the UK tell us that the Ipswich (Brisbane Australia) club will be active on OC-142, Fraser Island, the world's largest sand island as VI4FI from the Sandy Cape Lighthouse AU0043 during the International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend August 20-21st.

QSL VK4FI via VK4MIA direct or by the Bureau.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP --- NAVAL

New RNARS website - simple to use

The Royal Naval Amateur Radio Society has launched its new web site.

The outstanding feature of this replacement site is its simplicity and ease of use.

All radio amateurs and anyone with an interest in maritime radio, especially those who have served or are serving in the Royal Navy, Royal Marines and other navies throughout the world, are invited to visit the site.

www.rnars.org.uk

There is something there for everyone, including listeners, as the Society issues awards for various activities associated with contacting its members. RNARS operating frequencies are listed in the 'skeds, nets and frequencies' page which can be copied and pasted into a proprietary editor for printing as a guide to where to find Society members.

The site is under continuous improvement and visitors are invited to suggest additional features to enhance the site.

LOW DOWN IN THE NEWS

Malta gets 500kHz

We have heard that Maltese radio amateurs may apply for a temporary permit for 500kHz operation. This comes as word is that the latest version of the Maltese National Frequency Plan contains an entry for 501-504 kHz.

The permit is operational until the end of 2011 but could be extended if approved by WRC next year. Application forms and the National Frequency Plan many be viewed at
www.mca.org.mt

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SOCIAL SCENE

2011

Jul 31 VK2/3 Riverina Field Day 10am at Lavington Scout Group Hall.

Aug 7 VK2 Lismore region - SARCFEST

Aug 28 VK2 Blue Mountains amateur radio club's annual WINTERFEST
andrewvaughan230@gmail.com

Sep 11 VK3 SADARC Comms Day at St Augustine's Hall Shepparton 10am.

Sep 16-18 VK4 NQ Amateur Radio Convention Date Set Townsville

Sep 23-28 R3 Region 3 ARDF Championship Bendigo VK3
http://r3.ardf.org.au/

Sep 30-Oct 2 VK4 Central Highlands Amateur Radio Club AGM at Camp Fairbairn
CONTACT Secretary Gordon, (vk4kal@wia.org.au)

Nov 20 vk5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society Hamfest
Goodwood Community Centre, Rosa St Goodwood at 0930.
Visit www.ahars.com.au for contact details

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15TH IARU REGION 3 CONFERENCE hosted by V.A.R.C. in Ho-Chi-Minh City, Vietnam.

JAN 23-FEB 17 YEAR 2012
World Radio Conference WRC-11 Geneva 23rd January TO 17th February 2012

FEB 26 VK2 CCARC WYONG FIELD DAY

MAY 3-18 VK5 YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

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to submit audio read "how to submit items" in the weekly news page on
wia.org.au

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being
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even get a "cheerio call".

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671. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1771 - July 22 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-22 09:00:21 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20110722090005.D1B1D33C6F@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4311
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1771 - July 22 2011

Please note that this is an extended Amateur Radio Newsline report and contains three breaks. Thank you.

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1771 with a release date of Friday, July 22 2011 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Another conviction in the highjacking of a yacht that lead to the death of three United States hams; a South Dakota radio amateur looses his life in a tower dismantling accident; South Sudan becomes a sovereign nation recognized by the U-N as well as amateur radio; ham radio bids farewell to the space shuttle and Media Network re-releases the Hitch Hikers Guide to DXing. What is that you ask? Find out on an extended Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1771 coming your way right now.

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RADIO JUSTICE: YEMENI MAN PLEADS GUILTY IN HIGHJACKING THAT RESULTED IN THE DEATH OF THREE HAMS

A Yemeni man pleaded guilty to acts of piracy on Thursday, July 14th in connection to his role in the hijacking of a yacht off the coast of east Africa that resulted in the deaths of four Americans including three ham radio operators. Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP, has the details.

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As previously reported here on Newsline, Scott Adam, K9ESO, and his wife Jean, KF6RVB, along with Bob Riggle, KE7IIV, and Phyllis Macay were on board the yacht Quest off the coast of Oman when pirates boarded their vessel on Friday, February 18th. Officials were in the process of negotiating for their release when gunfire was heard around 1 a.m. Eastern Time on Tuesday, February 22. United States forces responded and then boarded the Quest. It was then that they discovered that all four hostages had been shot by the high seas bandits. Despite immediate steps to provide life-saving care, all four hostages ultimately succumb to their wounds.

Now, one of the alleged pirates identified as 23 year old Mounir Ali has accepted a plea bargain by U.S. District Judge Mark Davis, where he plead guilty to taking part in the armed hijacking. Ali claimed that

he and four other men from Yemen were crew members aboard another vessel that was pirated by Somalis earlier in February. But prosecutors say that Ali willingly elected to join the pirates in return for a share of the ransom money. However they also say that he did not personally shoot nor did he instruct anyone to shoot any of the four Americans.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP, in Scottsdale, Arizona.

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Ali is the 11th person convicted in relation to the highjacking and murders of the four Americans on-board the Quest. Sentencing is scheduled for October 21st. (Published news reports)

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RADIO SAFETY: RADIO AMATEUR KILLED IN TOWER COLLAPSE ACCIDENT

A Hot Springs, South Dakota ham radio operator was killed and another seriously injured Saturday, July 16th. This after a communications tower they were helping dismantle was blown over by a gust of wind.

According to Fall River County emergency manager Frank Maynard, Tim Anderson, K0OR, died of his injuries at Rapid City Regional Hospital shortly after arriving by Life Flight helicopter. The second man, Tom Embree, NC0K, also of Hot Springs, was also flown to Rapid City Regional Hospital where surgery was performed Sunday. He remains in serious condition.

The men were helping their amateur radio club remove a 110 foot high tower on the top of a near-by peak known as Gull Hill. The tower was no longer in use, and the owner had offered it to the radio club, which was going to move it to a new location.

News reports say that several other radio club members were on the ground at the time of the accident. They had taken down all but the final 30 foot section of the tower and were just beginning to release some guy wires when a gust of wind blew the tower over with the two men still on it and then collapsed on them.

Both Anderson and Embree are members of the Hot Springs Amateur Radio Club. Hot Springs is located about 60 miles south of Rapid City. At the time of his death, Anderson was the club's president. (KELO, other published news reports)

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WORLDBEAT: SOUTH SUDAN BECOMES SOVEREIGN ENTITY - ADDED TO DXCC AND CQ DX AWARDS

The Republic of South Sudan is now the world's newest country and as expected, it became the 193rd member of the United Nations on July

14th. It also became a new DXCC entity on the same date and was also added to CQ DX Awards Countries List as entity number 342.

Meantime, the latest news regarding the planned South Sudan operation by the combined DX Friends and Intrepid DX Groups is that the two groups were to meet in Cairo on July 21st. On July 22nd, they planned to fly to Juba which is the capital of the South Sudan. As we go to air on the 23rd, they were to meet with the Ministry of Communications to amend licenses to whatever new I-T-U prefix is assigned to the South Sudan. If all goes as the DX'er hope they expect to take to the airwaves sometime between July 23rd or as late as the 25th. The operation will continue until August 10th.

For the latest details on this upcoming South Sudan operation keep an eye on www.dxfriends.com/SouthernSudan2011. We will have more DX news later on in this weeks Amateur Radio Newsline report. (DX Friends)

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RADIO LAW: HAMS IN FLANDERS (BELGIUM) NOW COVERED BY RADIATION LIMIT LAWS

The administration of the Flanders (Belgium) area in Northern Europe has now included ham radio operators in its restrictive public safety radio frequency Specific Absorption Rate or SAR Ministerial Decree. A law enacted only this past January 26th. Frank Haas, KB4T, is here with the details on the position the this puts hams in the region into:

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The law was originally directed at telecommunications system operators to protect the public from what some consider dangerous RF levels.

It now appears that radio amateurs in the Flanders region must also observe the same standards and obligations and pay the same annual fee as their commercial counterparts. In addition they will be subject to the same government oversight and can face the same fines or imprisonment for infractions and violations of the new Flanders Specific Absorption Rate standard.

Radio amateurs in Flanders will soon have to apply for a certificate of conformity for their station and presumably re-apply whenever the station configuration changes. This costs about 75 Euros or $105 U.S. dollars.

In an application, a ham must supply a complete station location plan; an installation plan of antennas and an installation plan of the entire station site. Also required will be an overall safety analysis plan; a station elevation plan and an overall cross-section layout diagram.

In simpler terms Flanders hams will have to file what amounts to a complete engineering and electromagnetic impact study anytime even a minor station change takes place.

Still unknown is what impact the law will have on mobile, portable and hand-held operations by Flanders area hams.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Frank Haas, KB4T, in Holly Hill, Florida.

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More on this rather radical law, most in the Flemish language, is now on line at thesw various web locations: Antenna File in Google English -http://tinyurl.com/BelgiumAntennaFile; SAR-Vlaanderen Facebook page (in Flemish) http://nl-nl.facebook.com/pages/; SAR-Vlaanderen/165726696825269; Joke Schauvliege Minister of Environment, Nature and Culture at http://tinyurl.com/JokeSchauvliege and the Royal Union of Belgian Radio Amateurs (UBA) http://tinyurl.com/BelgiumUBA) (Southgate, UBA, others)

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RADIO LAW: RECONROBOTICS ENTERS CONSENT DECREE WITH FCC TO END INVESTIGATION BROUGHT ON BY ARRL COMPLAINT

ReconRobotics has entered a Consent Decree agreement with the FCC where it will make whats termed as a voluntary contribution of $17,000 to the United States Treasury. This, to end an FCC investigation in response to a complaint filed by the ARRL.

Back in 2010 the ARRL had alleged that ReconRobotics had violated Section 302a(b) of the Communications Act and Section 2.803 of the Commission's rules regarding the manufacturing, marketing, distributing and selling of radio frequency transmitters in the United States. In the complaint the ARRL alleged that ReconRobotics had unlawfully marketed a remote-controlled, maneuverable surveillance robot called the Recon Scout which operates in the 430 to 448 MHz band to public safety agencies and certain security personnel prior to the grant of a necessary waiver.

The FCC granted a waiver to ReconRobotics in 2010 to allow public safety licensees to operate the device in a portion of the 70 centimeter band that's shared with ham radio operations. To date, no license applications have been granted by the Commission for the device and the ARRL has petitioned to deny all applications that have been or might be filed. (ARRL)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the W0EF repeater serving Minneapolis, Minnesota

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COMMEMORATIVE EVENTS: REMEMBERING THE FIRST DECADE SINCE 911

This coming September 11th will be the 10th anniversary of the al-Queda backed terrorist attacks of September 11th of 2001. These attacks felled the two World Trade Center tower buildings in New York City and damaged the Pentagon when radical Islamic extremists high-jacked four United States flag carrier jetliners and crashed them into the two structures. Over 3000 American citizens were killed as well as a number of foreign nationals who worked in the twin towers buildings.

Over the years there have been several ham radio operations in remembrance of those whose lives were lost in this senseless and wanton carnage. With this being the first decade anniversary of the September 11th, 2001 tragedy, we here at the Amateur Radio Newsline are trying to compile a list of radio clubs and individual hams who are planning any form of amateur radio memorial operation to honor those whose lives were lost that day. If you have plans to commemorate 911, please drop us an e-mail to newsline at arnewsline dot org and let us know all of the details. We in turn will list as many as we can on our website at www.arnewsline.org.

Those whose lives were lost on 911 deserve to be remembered. We will do our part by providing web-space to list ham radio commemorative activities. It's up to you to do the rest. (ARNewsline)

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ON THE NET: FIRST LIVE REMOTE BROADCAST OF BOB HEIL'S HAM NATION ON JULY 26

If you are hearing this newscast before Tuesday, July 26th, be certain to tune into Bob Heil, K9EID, show Ham Nation for its first live out of studio remote broadcast. Bob along with co-host Gordon West, WB6NOA, plan to originate from the historic radio room on board the famed Queen Mary ocean liner. This is a major Southern California attraction moored in Long Beach Harbor.

Their special guest will be Nate Brightman, K6OSC. Brightman is the person generally credited with first bringing the radio room to life as an operational ham radio station with the call sign W6RO several decades ago.

Ham Nation airs live on Leo LaPorte's Twit internet television network every Tuesday at 9 P.M Eastern time. To tune in simply take your web browser to www dot twit dot tv and click in the tab marked "live." You can also see a replay of the show about 24 hours later by downloading the podcast at www dot twit dot tv. (ARNewsline)

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RADIO SITE NEWS: CALIFORNIA INSTITUTES $150 FIRE PREVENTION FEE

If you own a repeater, a remote base station or even a home in the state of California, a new law signed by Governor Jerry Brown may affect you. Measure ABX1 29 imposes an annual fee of up to a $150 on

every habitable structure in the State Responsibility Area or SRA to fund fire prevention activities. The governor said that due to population and development growth in these SRA's, taxpayer borne costs for fire protection have risen in recent decades.

California hams may need a local map to determine whether their repeaters, remote transmitter sites or even their homes are located in an State Responsibility. One fire official notes that, "As written, revenue from the fee would go to CalFire and an equivalent amount of General Funds would be removed from CalFire's budget for no net gain. A copy of ABX1 29 is on line at tinyurl.com/150FireFee. (CGC Communicator)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: ILLW THE WEEKEND OF AUGUST 20 - 21

With only a few weeks to go to the International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend, a total of 290 entries have been received but many more expected before the event.

So far this year 13 Lightships are entered mainly from Belgium, England, Germany and the USA. There's also one each in the Netherlands, Sweden and Wales. For those not aware, lightships are a rarer breed of the long-gone era of magnified flashes a light used by ships as they navigated along the coast and around the world.

Since 1998 the 48 hour, third weekend in August event has attracted more than 440 entrants, from some 50 nations. This year the dates are August 20th and the 21st. More information is on the World Wide Web at illw.net. (VK3PC)

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THE SOCIAL SCENE: ARRL MIDWEST CONVENTION IN CEDAR RAPIDS IA. AUG 5 - 7

And the ARRL Midwest Division Convention and Summerfest 2011 will take place August 5th through the 7th in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Events on August 5th and 6th will be held at Clarion Hotel & Convention Center with events for Sunday the 7th to be held at the near-by Teamsters Hall. A convention brochure containing a speakers list, forum line-up, registration form and more is available ob-line at tinyurl.com/cedar-rapids-summerfest. (Press release)

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THE SOCIAL SCENE: RAC AGM AND HAMFEST 2011 IN NEWFOUNDLAND

Radio Amateurs of Canada will hold the eighteenth Annual General Meeting on July 30th in St. John's Newfoundland. The venue is the Battery Hotel and Conference Center at Signal Hill which is also playing host to the concurrent Hamfest 2011 events hosted by the Society of Newfoundland Radio Amateurs. Please visit www.sonra.ca for more details. (RAC)

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THE SOCIAL SCENE: YO0YOA & YO0TSL CELEBRATE YOUTH AND TESLA

Romania's Zamolxes Foundation Radio Club will be operating the special call sign YO0YOA through years end. This, to promote the first youth ham radio organization in Europe known as Youngsters on the Air.

Youngsters on the Air is operated under a grant from Youth in Action and is financed by the European Commission to interest youngsters in amateur radio. Operation of YO0YOA will be on all HF and VHF bands.

Also on the air will be station YO0TSL. This station is to commemorate 155th birthday of famed inventor and researcher Nikola Tesla. (YO9GJX)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: WB4APR AND THE APRS GOLDEN PACKET TEST

Some names in the news. First up is Bob Bruninga, WB4APR, who invites you to join in the terrestrial annual APRS Golden Packet attempt on Sunday July 24th. This, from Noon to 16:00 hours your local time.

During this test Bob needs hams with Kenwood D700 transceivers to drive or hike to the top of some of the highest mountains in the USA. Then set up as a portable APRS digipeater to see if hams can link a Golden Packet across thousands of miles.

At airtime it is known that there will be an attempt along the Appalachian Trail from Alabama to Maine and another along the Pacific Crest trail from San Diego. California to Seattle, Washington. More information can be found on line at tinyurl.com/APRS-East for eastern states operations and tinyurl.com/APRS-West for operations out West. (WB4APR via VHF Reflector)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: W5NPR APPOINTED WEST INTERIM TEXAS SM

Bill Roberts, W5NPR, of Alpine, has been appointed as the Interim West Texas Section Manager as of July 8, 2011. Roberts has served as the ARRL West Texas Section Traffic Manager since 2009. He is a past president of the Big Bend Amateur Radio Club and is also active as a back-up net control station for the Big Bend Emergency West Texas ARES Net and a net control station for the National Traffic System's Daytime Region Net 5

ARRL Membership and Volunteer Programs Manager Dave Patton, NN1N, made the appointment in consultation with ARRL West Gulf Division Director David Woolweaver, K5RAV. Roberts will serve as Interim West Texas Section Manager until a Section Manager is declared elected. (ARRL)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: RESEARCHERS DEVELOP ENERGY RECYCLING SENSORS

Researchers at Georgia Tech are tapping RF transmissions from a television station located half a kilometer from their lab to power a wireless temperature sensor. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, is in the science center with more:

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A Georgia Tech Research News article said scavenging experiments using TV bands has already yielded power amounting to hundreds of microwatts. It also says that multi-band systems are expected to generate one milliwatt or more. That says researchers is enough to operate many small electronic devices, including a variety of sensors and microprocessors.

The report goes on to note that devices requiring 50 milliwatts or more should be able to be powered by adding super-capacitors across the output of the power system for storage and using cycled operation. The Georgia Tech team is also looking at alternative power for the sensors. The current line of thinking is most likely solar power for daytime operations with the scavenged RF power used at night.

The self-powered wireless sensors are created using ink-jet printers and a special ink containing nanoparticles of silver and/or other material. The researchers have been able to literally print out a combination of sensors, antennas and energy-scavenging capabilities on paper or flexible polymers. The resulting sensors can be used for chemical, biological, heat and stress testing for defense and industry.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, in Los Angeles.

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So far these energy scavenging devices are able to recycle energy using RF sources ranging from 100 MHz to 15 GHz or higher. More about this breakthrough is on-line at tinyurl.com/recycled-power. (Georgia Tech Research News)

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WORLDBEAT: SAARDT TO UNDERWRITE THE COST OF 5 SOUTH AFRICAN STUDENT HAM RADIO EXAMS

The South African Amateur Radio Development Trust has announced that it is underwriting the cost for a number of students under the age of 25

to take that nations Class A Radio Amateur Exam this October. Through the generous sponsorship of the Tony Reumerman, ZS6AOG and his family, the Trust is able to offer five such financial assistance plans this year. Each includes payment of the examination fee, a one year South African Radio League student membership subscription and tuition fee of 640 South African Rand. The total package is worth about 1000 Rand which is the equivalent of $143 United States dollars at the current international monetary exchange rate. (SARL News)

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RADIO IN SPACE: FIRST EVER ORBITING OF AN ASTEROID ACHIEVED BY RADIO

For the first time in history, a spacecraft from Earth is in orbit around an asteroid and it is radio that has made it happen.

On Monday, July 18th NASA confirmed that its Dawn spacecraft was captured into orbit around the massive asteroid Vesta after a multi-million-mile journey. The entry into orbit occurred while the spacecraft's antenna was pointed away from Earth, so mission controllers had to wait for Dawn to re-establish radio contact to confirm its success.

The capture was estimated to have occurred at 1 a.m on Friday, July 15th when Dawn was 9,900 miles from Vesta and 117 million miles from Earth. According to researchers at the Let Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, California, this put the intercept inside of the main asteroid belt between Mars and Jupiter.

NASA said that after the orbital capture, Dawn sent an initial close-up image taken of the asteroid for navigation purposes. The spacecraft is now being prepared to begin a study of a surface that may date to the earliest era of the solar system, of which Vesta is believed to be a part of. Before the Dawn mission, images of Vesta were obtained by ground- and space-based telescopes but did not show much surface detail. (NASA, Science OnLine)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: CELEBRATING THE FINAL US SPACE SHUTTLE FLIGHT

N4S was the callsign of the special events station that was on the air to celebrate the final flight of the United States Space Shuttle program. Operating from a location not far from the Cape Canaveral launch facility, N4S was on the air from launch through landing of the space ship Atlantis on the STS-135 and final mission of the space shuttle program. Take a listen:

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Audio of contact. Hear it by downloading the MP3 file of this weeks newscast at www.arnewsline.org.

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That was recorded here at the Newsline studio on a dipole antenna on a day with pretty poor propagation. N4S used CW, SSB and PSK on 40, 20 and 15 meters along with D-Star using the KJ4OXT repeater.

Those who made contact with N4S are eligible to receive a special commemorative certificate in exchange for their QSL. Send QSL's along with an 8.5 x 11 inch self addressed stamped envelope to the North Brevard Amateur Radio Club, P O Box 1033, Mims, Florida, 32754 (AA4MI)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: ISS AND ATLANTIS CAUGHT IN DAYLIGHT VIDEO

And speaking about the final shuttle mission, an amateur astronomer named Scott Ferguson has successfully captured video of the space shuttle Atlantis docked to the International Space Station in broad daylight.

Ferguson used a video camera attached to an 8 inch telescope to capture the event. His video was taken about an hour and a quarter after sunrise. Atlantis is the glowing white object at the top of the ISS. You can also clearly see the solar panels on the space station itself, and get a hint of other structures too.

You can watch this rather exciting and historic video and read more about how it was accomplished by taking your web browser to tinyurl.com/iss-in-daylight. (Discover On-Line via KB4KCH)

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BREAK 3

With lots of news to report this week, we are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: A LOOK BACK AT THE SHUTTLE AMATEUR RADIO EXPERIMENT

Amateur radio has been an active participant on Space Shuttle flights since STS-9 Now that the shuttle program is at an end, Newsline Producer Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, takes a quick look back at how the shuttle took manned ham radio into space:

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Audio of W5LFL first CQ approaching the US Pacific coast. Hear it by downloading the MP3 file of this weeks newscast at www.arnewsline.org.

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That's what it sounded like on my Icom IC-2AT in the courtyard of the old Metromedia Square building in Hollywood, California that winter evening in 1983 as Astronaut and Mission Specialist Owen Garriott, W5LFL, streaked across the nighttime sky at close to 135 nautical miles above me in the space ship Columbia.

Dr. Garriott was fulfilling a dream that he'd had since before his first trip to orbit aboard Spacelab several years earlier. That was to take a ham radio station with him into space. Now, thanks to some assistance from the late NBC Newsman Roy Neal, K6DUE, the blessings of then NASA Administrator Jess Moore, and an amazing flying machine called the Space Shuttle, it had come to pass.

His first CQ from orbit brought thousands of responses, but the one that he heard best and who became the first United States ham to contact W5LFL was Lance Collister, then WA1JXN, now W7GJ, of Frenchtown Montana. The QSO between the two hams lasted only a few seconds during which ham radio history was made:

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First QSO betweek W5LFL/space mobile and WA1JXN in Montana. Hear it by downloading the MP3 file of this weeks newscast at www.arnewsline.org.

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To get on the air from Columbia Dr. Garriott used a commercial handie talkie that had been modified and programmed for operation on several ham radio frequencies. To get signals out of and back into the orbiting spaceship W5LFL used a specially-designed cavity antenna engineered to fit a specific shuttle window and was held in place with Velcro binders. The antenna, designed by members of the Johnson Space Center Amateur Radio Club was roughly 24 inches in diameter and looked somewhat like a large aluminum cake pan with a piece of coaxial cable running from it to connect it to the hand-held transceiver.

Knowing the number of QSO's would be fast and furious a small cassette recorder was attached to the system to log anyone he heard and anyone he talked to.

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Random QSO space to ground audio. Hear it by downloading the MP3 file of this weeks newscast at www.arnewsline.org.

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In addition to the random QSO's , Garriott also had some interesting pre-arranged contacts. Among others W5LFL was able to speak with the amateur radio club in his hometown of Enid, Oklahoma and with the Johnson Space Center Amateur Radio Club in Houston Texas whose members had helped develop his flight ham station hardware. He also held QSO's with the late Senator Barry M. Goldwater Goldwater and with Jordan's late King Hussein, JY1.
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Contact between W5LFL and JY1: Hear it by downloading the MP3 file of this weeks newscast at www.arnewsline.org.
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Dr. Garriott's ham radio adventure on STS-9 ushered in a host of outstanding outreach activities that in following years that put ham radio onto almost every shuttle mission. It also lead to the creation of the Shuttle Amateur Radio Experiment or SAREX program. This was the ground breaking alliance between the ARRL, AMSAT and NASA that over the years enabled astronauts on-orbit to make contact with thousands of school kids as well as to their own families back on Earth. And not only using FM voice. Soon both slow scan Amateur television and packet messaging were a part of SAREX as well. Eventually SAREX went from the Shuttle Amateur Radio Experiment to be renamed the Space Amateur Radio Experiment and then to ARISS - Amateur Radio on the International Space Station. Today, Earth to space station contacts are almost routine. More modern equipment and external antennas in the International Space Station make signals both ways a lot stronger than they were back in 1983 when Dr. Owen Garriott, W5LFL, called that first CQ from the space ship Columbia and ushered in the era of manned ham radio in space. Looking back over the years of ham radio operations from the United States Space Shuttle, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the Newsroom in the City of Angels.

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In all there were five videos made chronicling ham radio on board the United States space shuttles. They live on as a lasting reminder of manned amateur radios first steps into space. (ARNewsline(tm))

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In DX, NQ6K will be active as stroke VY0 from Devon Island in the Canadian high Arctic through August 5th. The crew will be primarily using 20, 15v and 10 meters running PSK31 and RTTY and possibly SSB. Other bands will also be used depending on propagation. Please see devon2011 (dot) nq6k (dot) org for current frequency updates, and contact information.

DD0CW will active from Mongolia as JT1FDB until the first week of August. According to his QRZ.com Web page, he has permission to be active on 160 throgh 6 meters as well as the VHF and UHF bands using all modes, but he prefers CW. QSL via DD0CW.

Some DX slims appear to be on the air. This according to ZL2TZE, informs OPDX that there are pirate stations active claiming to be on Chatham Island using the calls ZL7014 and ZL7PW. ZL2TZE says that there is no current licensed operator with these callsigns listed.

DJ7ZG and DL7AFS will be active as VK9CX from the Cocos Keeling Islands between October 19th and November 9th. No modes or times of operation are yet known. QSL this one via DL7AFS.

Lastly, members of the SV9 DX Team with co-operation of SV5BYR will be active as J45K from Kasos Island during the RSGB Islands on the Air Contest the weekend of July 30th to the 31st. The first team with the equipment will be on the island Tuesday, July 26th. Operations will be on 160 through 2 meters during weekend. QSL via SV9DJO or electronically using Logbook of the World.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: THE HITCHHIKERS GUIDE TO DXING RADIO PARODY RE-RELEASED

And finally this week, it's been thirty years since former Radio Netherlands Media Network host Jonathan Marks, G8WGN, wrote a parody on international radio broadcasting. One based on his favorite radio series at the time, the Hitch-Hikers Guide to the Galaxy. He called it the Hitchhikers Guide To DX'ing and it was an overwhelming hit when it first aired back in 1980. Heres a quick sample, courtesy of G8WGN:

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Sample audio from Hitch Hikers Guide to DXing. Hear it by downloading the MP3 file of this weeks newscast at www.arnewsline.org.

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As Marks writes in his on-line blog, there seemed to be so much to make fun of at the time because of the boring propaganda at the height of the Cold War. According to Marks, several segments of this classic series are now available for download from the Media Network Vintage Vault at jonathanmarks.libsyn.com. The rest says G8WGN, will follow shortly.

Jonathan also invites everyone to browse through other material stored at the Media Network Vintage Vault and he encourages you to share your stories as well. (ARNewsline(tm))

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editor's desk, I'm David Black, KB4KCH, at the South-East bureau in Birmingham, Alabama, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 24th July 2011

The news headlines:

* Restrictive legislation for Belgian amateurs

* SSB coming to European CB

* AMSAT Colloquium to be webcast live

The administration in Flanders has included radio amateurs in the restrictive Specific Absorption Rate, or SAR, Ministerial Decree of 26 January, aimed at telecom operators. It appears that radio amateurs in Flanders will now have the same standards and obligations, fees and even the same fines or imprisonment for breaches as the telecom operators. Radio amateurs have to apply for a certificate of conformity for their station and, presumably, re-apply whenever the station configuration changes. This costs about 75 Euros and the amateur has to supply detailed information on the site and the antenna concerned. More information online at http://tinyurl.com/BelgiumUBA.

A decision by the European Union has paved the way for the use of single sideband on 27MHz CB across Europe. The revised regulation will permit European CB operators the use of SSB equipment running 12 watts PEP output in the frequency band 26.960 to 27.410MHz. The European Union decision to permit SSB on 11 metres came into force on 24 June and carries a preferred implementation by national telecommunications administrations of 1 October.

The AMSAT-UK International Space Colloquium takes place in Guildford next weekend, July 30-31. BATC and AMSAT volunteers will be streaming video of the event live, enabling it to be seen around the world. Clearly a webcast cannot match actually being there, with the opportunity to chat to satellite builders and inspect space hardware, but if you can't get to Guilford then the webcast provides the next best thing. The webcast will be at www.batc.tv.

AMSAT satellite ARISSAT-1, currently aboard the International Space Station, has had a chequered history. As previously reported, it was not deployed in February as originally planned. A further date in July also came and went. The RSGB understands that it will now be tested within the ISS on 30 to 31 July, the weekend of the AMSAT-UK Colloquium. It is planned to monitor the tests from the Colloquium using the facilities of GB4FUN. The satellite will probably transmit

its standard 2m bandplan, centred on 145.938MHz. All being well it will be hand-launched from the ISS on Wednesday 3 August.

Also on a space theme, AMSAT-UK's FunCube satellite is undergoing thermal testing at RAL Space at Harwell, near Didcot, as part of its launch qualification programme. Reporting to GB2RS live from the laboratory via a video link on Wednesday, Graham Shirville, G3VZV said that the schedule includes a power- off survival test from -35&#65533;C to +75&#65533;C.

Mexborough & District Amateur Radio Society has been lucky enough to secure passage on the Yorkshire Belle on 30 July for a full day of maritime mobile operating. Sailing from the coastal resort of Bridlington, they intend to operate both HF and 2m stations from on board the Yorkshire Belle with a support station nearby on land. Anyone wishing to contact Full licence holders working maritime mobile should listen out from 9am onwards on 30 July. Anyone wishing to take part in the event should contact Sharon Saiger on 07795 225447.

The National Hamfest will take place at the George Stephenson Pavilion, Newark & Notts Showground, Lincoln Road, Winthorpe, Newark NG24 2NY on 30 September and 1 October. Around 3000 visitors came through the doors last year and this year's show is due to be bigger than ever. The main hall is already well on the way to being full with all the major brands represented, as well as the biggest dealers in the UK and several overseas traders. Tickets can be purchased online with several discounts available for those booking early, www.nationalhamfest.org.uk.

The Radio Club of Provins would like to thank the amateur radio community for all the help and support during the recent theft of 20,000 Euros worth of DXpedition equipment. A radio amateur is helping police with their enquiries following the theft. It was thanks to the network of radio amateurs that this sad event was resolved quickly. The equipment was recovered and will soon be on its way to PJ4C with the F6KOP team and some will be travelling with the MDXC team to 9N.

The Republic of South Sudan is the newest addition to the CQ DX Award Countries List, number 342. Verifications confirming contacts after 14 July 2011, which was the date of its admission to the United Nations, are acceptable for credit. No award credit is available for southern Sudan contacts made during the 1980s and 90s. In addition, South Sudan will count as a country, or entity, multiplier for the CQ DX Marathon, the CQ World Wide DX Contest and any other CQ contests that use country multipliers.

Today, 24 July, at 0900UTC, a balloon called Aisekom will be launched from Bilbao in northern Spain with APRS equipment attached. This will transmit an APRS beacon on 144.800MHz FM at 1200 bps. It should be possible to hear it in the UK because it will rise up to 30,000 metres and then come down on a parachute. The callsign will be EG2EE-11. There is more information at www.aisekom.com but it is only available in

Spanish.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

Next weekend, 30 and 31 July, the AMSAT-UK Space Colloquium takes place in the Holiday Inn, Guildford, GU2 7XZ. There is a lecture programme available, including a Beginners' Workshop run by Dave, G4DPZ and Carlos, G0AKI, the RSGB Amateur Radio Department manager. GB4FUN will also be onsite. Details at www.uk.amsat.org.

Horncastle Summer Rally will take place on Sunday 31 July in the Horncastle Youth Centre, Willow Road, Horncastle, Lincolnshire LN9 6DZ. Doors open at 10.30am and admission is £1.50. Information can be obtained from Tony, G3ZPU on 01507 527835.

MW0MAH is setting up a demonstration station at charity fund raising event at RAF Valley on 30 July. The RAOB annual charity event starts at 2pm and visitors have the opportunity to pass greetings messages at the demonstration station as well as join in the other activities. Now for the news of special events

Hull & District Amateur Radio Society will have a station active at The Hull Sea Shanty this weekend at Hull Marina. Their communications trailer will be demonstrating HF, VHF and D-Star communications.

British Inland Waterways on the Air is set to be launched at The Waterways Festival, Shobnall Fields, Burton on Trent on 29 to 31 July. A special event station, GB2TWF, is being set up by local radio clubs and this is just one of over forty stations being set up for the weekend, which include GB0NWM at the National Waterways museum at Ellesmere Port, the Waterways museum at Goole, GB2FIP at the Foxton Inclined Plane museum and GB4HSC at the Hinckley Sea Cadets. Other stations will be set up from the Caledonian canal down to the River Way. A full list can be found on the participants tab at website www.biwota.org.

Hull & District Amateur Radio Society and the RAFARS are setting up a special event station at a veterans weekend on 30 and 31 July held at East Park, Holderness Road, Hull. GB2VET will be on the air using HF, VHF & UHF and D-Star. The club will also display vintage WW2 radio equipment.

Pontefract & District Amateur Radio Society is operating a GB0YD for Yorkshire Day on 1 August. Operated from the Club's shack with the Yorkshire flag flying from the mast, they intend to talk at all amateurs £ whichever side of the Pennines they are.

And now the HF DX news, compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

A group of German operators will be on the air from Ascension Island as ZD8D from 24 July to 9 August. They will be operating from a guesthouse in Georgetown. Updates are online at www.zd8d.de.

IK5ASN will be active as 9A8ASN from the island of Cres until 30 July. He will be on 40 and 20 metres using SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via IK5SAN, direct or preferably via the bureau.

KF8UN will be in Peru until 16 August. He plans to be active stroke OA4 and says that he plans to work 20m, particularly on 8 August. At other time he will be operating holiday style. QSL via his home callsign.

EF8M operating from the Canary Islands during the RSGB Islands on the Air Contest on 30 and 31 July as a Multi-Operator, All-Band, High-Power entry. Operators mentioned are RD3A, EA8CAC and UA5C. QSL via UA3DX.

Now the contest news

Today, 24 July, is the WAB QRO 2m phone contest, which runs from 1000 until 1400UTC. Using all modes on the 2m band, the exchange is signal report, serial number and WAB square.

26 July sees both the 50MHz UK Activity Contest and the SHF Activity Contest take place from 1900 to 2130UTC. The former uses all modes on the 50MHz band and the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator. The latter is on all bands from 2.3GHz upwards and using all modes the exchange is also signal report, serial number and locator. This leaves the biggest HF event to the end. Over the years IOTA Contest has become the RSGB's flagship contest. These days it attracts over 2000 entries worldwide. Casual participants are likely to pick up some new countries and serious entrants will make thousands of QSOs in the 24 hours, although there are also 12-hour sections for single-op stations. The IOTA Reference is part of the exchange; the one for mainland Britain is EU005. All the IOTA references can be found on the internet at www.logiciel.co.uk/iota/shtlist/europe.html. Operations start at 1200 on the 30th, although some of the island DXpeditions will be using their own callsigns during testing in the days leading up to the contest. Using the bands 3.5 to 28MHz on CW or SSB, the exchange is signal report, serial number and IOTA reference.

And now the solar factual data for the period from the 11th to the 17th of July, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on the 18th of July.

First this week the smoothed monthly sunspot numbers for October, November and December 2010, they are 23.2, 26.5 and 28.8 respectively. The rise continues towards a maximum, which is due probably in 2013.

Numerous sunspot groups were visible every day, in fact, seven groups were visible on the 13th and the 15th. However, most were small and quiet. One C class solar flare took place on the 11th and the 12th when solar activity was low. The remaining days' activity was very low. Solar flux levels increased from 90 units on the 11th to 104 by the 17th. The average was 95 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 17th was 97 units, that's two units down on last week. X-ray flux levels increased slightly to B2.1 by the 17th. The average was B1.7 units. Geomagnetic activity was unsettled on the 11th with an Ap index of 13 units. This was due to a coronal hole. The remainder of the period activity was just at quiet levels with an Ap of 6 or 8 units on

most of the other days, except for the 17 which was 5 units. The average was Ap 8 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar winds at 750 kilometres per second on the 11th and the 12th but then gradually decline to 345 kilometres per second by the 17th. Particle densities were low every day. On the 11th Bz varied between minus and plus 8 nanoTeslas and between minus 3 and plus 4 nanoTeslas on the 16th.

And now the solar forecast. This week the quiet side of the Sun is expected to be looking our way. Solar activity should be at very low levels on most days. Even though sunspot groups will be visible, all are expected to be small and inactive. Solar flux levels should be in the high 80's for most of the week. Geomagnetic activity is expected to be at quiet levels till after midweek, when a small recurring coronal hole disturbance arrives. The effects from the hole should be minimal, with the daily Ap index into the teens. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 20MHz for the south and 17MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be about 13MHz. Paths this week to Japan should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 18MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 13MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 1000 and 1500 hours. Sporadic-E should take place on most days on the lower VHF bands and up to 144MHz occasionally during any intense openings.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your

transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS On Monday 25 July Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is closed. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548478, daytime.

On Monday 25 July South Birmingham Radio Society is planning for Field Day and rally visits. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Monday 25 July South Normanton Alfreton & District Amateur Radio Club is at Crich. Details from A Lawrence, 2E0BQS, by email to adylawri@btinternet.com.

On Monday 25 July Stratford Upon Avon District Radio Society is holding its construction competition. Contact G0CHO, on 01608 664488.

On Monday 25 July Sutton Coldfield Amateur Radio Society is holding a general meeting with discussions on equipment, 2m HF and Morse. More information from Robert Bird, by email to spirit.guide@hotmail.co.uk.

On Tuesday 26 July Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 26 July Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a practical evening. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Tuesday 26 July Mid-Warwickshire Amateur Radio Society is looking at technical topics. Details from Don, G4CYG, on 019 2642 4465.

On Tuesday 26 July Worcester Radio Amateurs Association is holding a construction night and shack clearout. For more information email Rich Moles, 2E0MOL, via secretary@m0zoo.co.uk.

On Wednesday 27 July Bolsover Amateur Radio Society is having a project night. Contact Alvey Street, G4KSY, on 01246 827135.

On Wednesday 27 July Lincoln Short-Wave Club is on the air and sorting things out for the IOTA Contest. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

On Wednesday 27 July Midland Amateur Radio Society is holding an outdoor party with barbecue, food and drink. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 01214 229 787. On Wednesday 27 July South Kesteven Amateur Radio Society is planning a trip to the Dambusters Rally. Contact Nigel, M0CVO, on 01476 402550.

On Wednesday 27 July Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is preparing for its Guernsey trip and practicing with oscilloscopes. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday 28 July Salop Amateur Radio Society is holding a fox hunt. Details on the club website at www.salop-ars.org.uk.

On Thursday 28 July South Birmingham Radio Society is having training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Friday 29 July Coventry Amateur Radio Society is holding a radio workshop evening on PSK31 and RTTY. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777363.

On Friday 29 July Lincoln Short-Wave Club commences its weekend event. participating in the IOTA contest. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

On Friday 29 July South Birmingham Radio Society is having a construction evening. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND In 1949, Walter Farrar G3ESP founded the Wakefield and District Radio Society. He passed away in 2010. On hearing of his passing, Wakefield society successfully acquired the transfer of his callsign, following extensive research by the

Secretary, Dr David Lockwood, G4CLI and the Chairman, Ken Quinn, 2E0SSQ. This transfer of an SK callsign has been used by many other clubs, such as the use of G2CP's callsign by the Scarborough Contest Group. Walter's callsign came about because of his love of the artificial language Esperanto. The Society hopes to keep his memory alive by regular use of his callsign on the air and wish to thank Rob Mannion G3XFD, Nigel Ferguson, G0BPK of the Pontefract and District ARS, Walter's son and executor, Paul Farrar OBE and the staff of the licensing centre of Ofcom for their assistance in achieving the transfer.

On Monday 25 July Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is on the air and having a natter night. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 0191 477 0036.

On Monday 25 July Bolton Wireless Club is holding an activity night. For details, send an email to boltonwireless@gmail.com.

On Monday 25 July Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is holding its summer fox hunt. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 25 July South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is holding a technical forum. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 0161 969 3999.

On Monday 25 July Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is having a field day on the beach, weather permitting. Details on the web at www.tcars.org.uk. On Tuesday 26 July Chester & District Amateur Radio Society is holding an operating evening & barbecue. Details from Barbara Green on 07957 870770.

On Tuesday 26 July Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society continues its Foundation and Intermediate courses plus erecting a temporary aerial, weather permitting, and getting on air. Contact Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341317.

On Wednesday 27 July Hambleton Amateur Radio Society is holding a junk sale. More information from Tony Wilson, G3MAE, on 01609 881530.

On Wednesday 27 July Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is operating on SSB and having a barbecue at Bewholme. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240573.

On Wednesday 27 July Wakefield & District Radio Society is having a talk on Holy Island by Ken, 2E0SSQ. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563117.

On Thursday 28 July Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air and having a club night. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 0787 608 5631.

On Thursday 28 July South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having an overview of resistors, capacitors and inductors by Ron, G3SVW. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 0161 969 3999.

On Friday 29 July East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is on the air. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Saturday 30 July Hornsea Amateur Radio Club commences its weekend event, participating on the IOTA Contest from Bewholme. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240573.

On Saturday 30 July Sheffield Amateur Radio Club starts its weekend IOTA Contest event. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND No news items have been received for Northern Ireland this week.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday 26 July Kilmarnock & Loudoun Amateur Radio Club is having a club night. Contact Graham, MM3GDC, by email to mm3gdc@btinternet.com.

On Tuesday 26 July Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a Morse code practice evening. Details from Norman, on 07740 946192.

On Thursday 28 July Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on SOTA by Mike, MM0ROV. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663. On Saturday 30 July Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club commences its weekend event, participating in the RSGB IOTA Contest from the Island of Tiree. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA The RSGB is pleased to announce that, since the closure of the Southern 80m news reading a month ago, five new volunteer news readers have come forward. As a result, the LSB reading on 3640kHz at 9am local time will be able to start up again next Sunday, 31 July. Each Sunday the news readers will hold a net at the end of the reading. Reception reports will be especially welcome. Additionally, a new GB2RS reading for the Reading area will be introduced on 70.425MHz FM at 9am starting on Sunday 7 August. It is hoped that this will stimulate 4m activity in the region.

On Tuesday 26 July Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720815.

On Tuesday 26 July Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is having a club net night. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Tuesday 26 July Dorking & District Radio Society is having a South Downs evening. Contact Garth, G3NPC, on 01737 359472.

On Tuesday 26 July Harwell Amateur Radio Society is having a shack activity night. Contact Malcolm, G8NRP, on 01235 524844.

On Wednesday 27 July Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air & looking at computer logging. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday 27 July Havering & District Amateur Radio Club is having a beginners guide to contesting by Dave, M0TAZ. More information from John, M0UKD, on 07890 222111.

On Wednesday 27 July Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is having an informal, construction, shack and Bright Sparks evening. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898678.

On Wednesday 27 July Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is putting GX3WOR on the air. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816684.

On Thursday 28 July Bittern DX Group Club is meeting at Pinewood Park Leisure Club. Details from Linda, G0AJJ, on 01692 404154.

On Thursday 28 July Echelford Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night, bring & buy and CW practice. Contact John, G4GSC, on 01784 451898.

On Thursday 28 July Edgware & District Radio Society is having an informal natter night. More information from Mike, G4RNW, on 0208 950 0658. On Thursday 28 July Horsham Amateur Radio Club is holding a fox hunt. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk.

On Thursday 28 July Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a club night at the shack. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564242.

On Friday 29 July Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is holding a radio night. Contact Peter, G4AKG, on 01444 239371.

On Friday 29 July Wimbledon & District Amateur Radio Society is setting up for its summer camp. Contact Andrew Maish, G4ADM, on 020 8335 3434.

On Saturday 30 July Bittern DX Group commences its weekend event for the RSGB IOTA Contest. Details from Linda, G0AJJ, on 01692 404154.

On Saturday 30 July Newbury & District Amateur Radio Society is taking part in the IOTA Contest. For more information contact Rob, G3LMW, on 01635 862737.

On Saturday 30 July Radio Society of Harrow commences its weekend BiWOTA event at Rickmansworth Canal. More information from Linda, G7RJL, on 0208 386 8586.

On Saturday 30 July Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is attending Worthing Fire Brigade open day. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816684.

On Sunday 31 July Coalhouse Fort Amateur Radio Society is having a classic vehicles evening. Contact John Parker, M1DUC, by email to coalhouserad1o@yahoo.com.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST On Sunday 24 July Trowbridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having a barbecue, aerial & kite day at Keevil, near Trowbridge, weather permitting. Details from Ian, G0GRI, on 01225 864 698, evenings and weekends.

On Monday 25 July Bristol RSGB Group is having a chat night and potted lectures. Details from Robin, G3TKF, on 01225 420442.

On Monday 25 July Exeter Amateur Radio Society is having a club night at the Moose Centre. More information from Nick, on 01363 775756.

On Thursday 28 July South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695471.

On Thursday 28 July Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having an activity night and preparing for the IOTA Contest. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317750.

On Thursday 28 July Yeovil Amateur Radio Club is holding a committee meeting & putting the club station on the air. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk. On Friday 29 July North Bristol Amateur Radio Club is on the air. More information from Dick on 01454 218362.

On Friday 29 July Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on G8XST and the GB3TR repeater. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

On Saturday 30 July Plymouth Radio Club commences its weekend event for Islands On the Air at Tor Royal Lane field, Princetown. Details from Chris, M0ZCP, on 07834 767 161.

NEWS FOR WALES No news items have been received for Wales this week.

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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From: website@sarl.org.za
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SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 24 JULY 2011

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. PLEASE NOTE: for audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail. Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 and 3,695 MHz SSB.

SILENT KEYS

It is with regret that it must be announced that the keys of two radio amateurs became silent recently. They are:

Reg Sweet, ZS5CO, about a month ago.

Freddie Calitz, ZS6JC, on 20 July after a period of ill-health. He was a long standing member of the Pretoria Amateur Radio Club.

Our sincere condolences go out to the relatives and friends of the deceased.

(PAUSE)

In the news today:

ALL ROADS LEAD TO DURBAN NEXT SATURDAY

BOB HEIL TO BROADCAST HAM NATION ON JULY 26 FROM THE QE2 RADIO ROOM

PRESIDENT'S NET TO DISCUSS IARU MOTIONS THIS EVENING

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting news items.

ALL ROADS LEAD TO DURBAN NEXT SATURDAY

Do not miss the SARL's Radio Technology in Action on Saturday 30 July. It will be held at the University of KwaZulu-Natal at the School of Electrical, Electronic and Computer Engineering. Registration is from 08:15. The full programme is available on www.sarl.org.za, select RTA in the left hand column. The cost is R60 including refreshments and a light lunch as well as participation in the draw for attendance prizes.

Students and learners under 25 attend free.

Bring a friend along and introduce him or her to the world of Amateur Radio.

BOB HEIL TO BROADCAST HAM NATION ON JULY 26 FROM THE QE2 RADIO ROOM

On Tuesday 26 July be certain to tune into Bob Heil, K9EID, show Ham Nation for its first live out of studio remote broadcast. Bob along with co-host Gordon West, WB6NOA, plan to originate from the historic radio room on board the famed Queen Mary ocean liner. This is a major Southern California attraction moored in Long Beach Harbour.

Their special guest will be Nate Brightman, K6OSC. Brightman is the person generally credited with first bringing the radio room to life as an operational amateur radio station with the call sign W6RO several decades ago. Ham Nation airs live on Leo LaPorte's Twit internet television network every Tuesday at 21:00 Eastern time. To tune in simply take your web browser to www dot twit dot tv and click in the tab marked "live." You can also see a replay of the show about 24 hours later by downloading the podcast at www dot twit dot tv.

PRESIDENT'S NET TO DISCUSS IARU MOTIONS THIS EVENING

The President and SARL delegates to the triennial IARU Region 1 conference invite your input to how the SARL should respond to the various motions to be discussed at the conference to be at Sun City from 12 to 19 August.

The President's net will be on the air this evening, Sunday 24 July from 19:30 on various repeaters and on Echolink. Martin du Preez, ZS6ZY, will also relay the net on 3 718 kHz.

Clubs wishing to join the network should send the telephone number to be linked to artoday@sarl.org.za before mid day today. Only Telkom landlines can be connected.

NEW MEMBERS

We this week welcome the following new members to the SARL:

ZS6JDR, Jerry De Ru ZSL1026, Rigardt Van der Spuy ZS5GLR, Gawie Le Roux and ZS6SCR, Francois de Wet.

We thank you for supporting the SARL and Amateur Radio.

The paid up membership reached 931 this week. As month-end approaches we encourage you to pay your subscription as soon as possible. Please ensure that if you pay by bank transfer or electronic transfer that you include your and call sign so that we credit your account without delay.

COMPETITION NEWS

DO NOT MISS THE BARK 40 METRE SUNDAY WINTER WARMER THIS ADTERNOON

The Boland Amateur Radio Club will be holding its 40 metre sprint contest today, Sunday 24 July from 15:00 - 18:00 CAT. This is a fun activity to promote contacts on 40 metres between radio amateurs in Southern African countries. It is also an ideal opportunity for Mobile stations, Field stations and RaDAR stations to participate. For more information go to page 60 of the SARL "Blue book" available on the SARL web.

SARL YOUTH SPRINT

The results for this competition are as follows:

1st with score of 119, Mitchell Mynhardt, ZS6YH, 13 years old 2nd with score of 99, Rechard Preston, ZU4RP, 11 years old 3rd with score of 98, Melissa Snyders, 10 years old

Theunis Potgieter wins an ARRL Antenna book for the amateur older than 25 who brought the most non amateurs for the contest on the air.

Lucky Draw Results:

ARRL Basic Antenna Book: Mitchell Mynhardt, ZS6YH Tiffany de Jager, ZU1PPG Hugo Coetzee, ZS3H

Lightning Predictor Kit Melissa Snyders

Remote Microphone Kits Devon de Jager Katelyn Bauermeister CJ van Jaarsveld

Free SARL Student Membership for a year Renier de Jager, ZU1K Elsa de Beer, ZU3EB Rechard Preston, ZU4RP Cilliers Schultz, ZU3CN Jannes Fleming, ZU3JF

CLUB NEWS

At the AGM of the Zululand Amateur Radio Club, held on the 10th July 2010 in Richards Bay, the following members were elected to serve on the committee of the club for the forthcoming year:

Chairman: John Kramer, ZS5J Vice Chairman: Andrew Jansen, ZS5AND Treasurer: Willie Axford, ZS5WI Secretary: Dawn Snyders, ZS5ME

Members: Jo Snyders ZS5PO, (News Editor)

Anne Griffith,s ZS5FAB

Thys v Rensburg, ZS5ZS

Warren Snyders, ZS5WOZ

Brian Utterson ,ZS5AE

We wish them well during their term of office, and thank the outgoing members for their hard work during their term of office.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is expected to be at very low to low levels. Currently there remain three spotted regions on the face of the visible solar disk. Sunspots 1 251, 1 254 and 1 259 remain fairly quiet. There is a chance for C-Class flares.

For the people doing their own frequency predictions the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be less than 40.

With the winter here 20 m will provide the best opportunities for DX followed by 30 m. There is a chance of 15 m openings to South America.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS 24 July - This afternoon, Boland Amateur Radio Club 40 metre sprint contest 15:00 - 18:00 CAT. 24 July - Tonight, President's Net at 19:30 CAT. 26 July - Transmissions from the QE2 starts. 27 July - 4th leg of SARL Club Competition. 30 July - RTA in Durban. 07 Aug. - SARL HF Phone Competition. 09 Aug. - SARL YL Sprint. 21 Aug. - 3rd leg of SARL Digital Competition. 28 Aug. - SARL HF CW Competition.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 750 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 18:30 CAT on 3 230 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by George, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening, 73.
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674. HOT ACTRESS

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KATRINA KAIF RARE PHOTOS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/07/katrina-kaif-wallpapers.html
TAMANNA HOT SEXY PHOTOS & VIDEOS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/07/tamanna-wallpapers.html
PRANITHA LATEST BEAUTIFUL PHOTOS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/06/about-pranitha-praneetha-is-beautiful.html
KAJAL AGARWAL HOT SEXY PHOTOS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/05/kajal-agarwal.html
KATRINA KAIF IN BEAUTIFUL RED DRESS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/05/katrina-kaif_22.html
GOOD LOOKING DEEPIKA PADUKONE
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/05/deepika-padukone_22.html
AISHWARYA RAI UNBELIVABLE PHOTO
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/05/aishwarya-rai.html

FOR FAST UPDATES IN TELUGU FILM INDUSTRY
http://allyouwants.blogspot.com

675. Re: KD8CTL GOT FAT

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-24 18:55:45 UTC
From: radio rambo <radiorambo@nomail.invalid>
Message-ID: <4e2c6b9d$0$31321$a8266bb1@newsreader.readnews.com>
Source record: 4315
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc

"kb9rqz" wrote in message
http://kd8ctl.blogspot.com/

WOW! Gav has put on a few tons!

676. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 24th July 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-24 20:00:20 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20110724200005.E31CD33C78@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4316
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 24th July 2011

EI DXCC List

An updated list of EIs on the DXCC list is now on the IRTS web site. The latest list, which shows quite a lot of movement in recent months, suggests that EI stations have been busy working and confirming DX. Many of the long-standing DXCC holders have claimed a significant number of new credits and we also have some new entrants to the DXCC list - the new ones being Tom EI9CJ, Charlie EI8JB and Tom EI4DQ.

Tom EI4DQ is the first and only EI with DXCC on 2 metres; to achieve this he worked and confirmed 110 DXCC entities on 2 metres, which is no mean feat! Worldwide, just over 60 radio amateurs have been awarded DXCC on 2 metres; with 110 entities confirmed, Tom is ranked 14th in this group.

Have a look at www.irts.ie/dxcc to see the full EI DXCC list.

IRTS 2 Metres Counties Contest

The IRTS 2m Counties Contest will take place Sunday 28th August 2011. The closing date for the submission of the log to the contest manager is 27th September 2011.

HF Newsreaders.

We wish to welcome Francis Lenane EI5GOB and George Donaldson EI7GKB as HF newsreaders. Francis is based in Waterford and George is based in Athlone thus ensuring a nice geographical spread. If there are any other operators who would like to read the news please contact Ger McNamara on 087 2532512 orei4gxb / at /gmail / dot/com.

South Dublin Radio Club

SDR members held a Field Day on Howth Head last weekend. One of the purposes of this exercise was to give the newer members of the club an opportunity to participate in setting up and operating portable HF and VHF stations. Most of the focus for the day was on the HF bands;

although no real DX was worked - despite valiant efforts by Tony EI7JN to work Yankee-Bravo (Indonesia) - the station had many contacts around Europe. The most enjoyable DX of the day was a contact on Phone and CW with Tony EI5EM, who was in Ye Olde Hurdy Gurdy Museum of Vintage Radio just down the road!

The North Cork Radio Group

The North Cork Radio Group is pleased to announce their second annual rally and electronics fair at the Blarney Golf Resort, Tower, Co Cork. on Sunday September the 11th 2011.

The doors open to the public at 11.30 and the rally will run throughout the afternoon. The usual traders will be on hand with some very tasty bargains, South East Communications, Long Communications and JBT Trading.

The Hotel are also offering room deals for the rally a Room Only from 59 and Double Room inc B&B: 79 Please Contact the hotel directly for room bookings on Tel:+353 21 4384477.www.blarneygolfresort.com

Small traders are very welcome but it essential that they contact the events organiser Liam EI7GTB, Tel: 086-3357100 Email:ei7gtb/ at /gmail/dot/com as soon as possible. Please note the new contact number for table bookings.

Further details can be found via the group's website www.ei1nc.com

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Limerick 2M Repeater QRV again.

The Limerick 2M repeater on 145.725 is now QRV again after being off the air due to vandalism at the repeater site. Limerick Radio Club are grateful for the many generous donations received from around the country, which have gone towards installation of a new security door. A new run of Hardline has also been installed from the hut to the mast.

The Joyce Country Challenge 2011,

Also known as the Finney walk, took place on Saturday 16th July. As usual the Galway Radio Experimenters Club, provided radio coverage for the event. This necessitated the strategic positioning of operators at several points along the walks of which there were three. Despite very bad weather the event passed off with no incident of note.

Inishbofin Island

The Galway Radio Experimenters Club annual dxpedition will take place from Sat 23rd -Sat 30th July. We will, as usual, be using the callsign EJ4GRC. All modes and bands will be in use. So if you hear us give us a call. Several club members will be staying the entire week with several

more dropping out for the unique 'Boffin experience.

The Dalkey Island Contest Group

The callsign EI1DD will be activated by members of the Dalkey Island Contest Group during the IOTA Contest on 30/31 July. This year the group will operate from the Cullen, Co Tipperary QTH of Gerry EI8CC. Team members are EI2CA, EI7CC, EI7CD, EI8BP, EI8CC, EI8CE and are joined this year by EI8KD better known as Norby LX1NO. The island reference number is EU-115 and calls from EI's will be very welcome.

Outside contest times Norby EI8KD/LX1NO is hoping to take advantage of his time in Ireland to operate from as many local Summits on the Air as is feasible. He was here before in 2008 when he used the call EI/LX1NO/P.

DX News

Hopefully by the time you hear this, the new DXCC entity of Southern Sudan will be on the air. Two international groups have teamed up to bring this new one to the waiting multitudes. The groups are the Intrepid-DX Group and the DX Friends. Members started arriving in Juba, the capital of Southern Sudan, on Wednesday 20 July to finalise the licensing arrangements. The callsign issued is ST0R (Sierra Tango Zero Radio) and it is hoped that the operation will start around 23 July. The International Telecommunications Union have not yet issued a callsign block to the new country and when this happens it is expected that the necessary amendment will be made to the licence documentation. In any event the DXpedition will last until 10 August so you have plenty of time to get this new one in the log.

Carsten DF1XC is in Barbados on holiday until 15 August. Look for him signing 8P9XC on the HF bands. QSLs go via the home call.

Prefix hunters will be interested in the special event station TC7EYOF which is on the air until 30 July. This is in connection with the 11th European Youth Olympic Festival being held in Trabzon, Turkey. QSL manager is YM7KA.

Frank DD0CW is active as JT1FDB from Ulaanbaatar in Mongolia. He will be there until early August and operates mainly in CW.

Japan to Remove Morse Requirement

The Japanese Ministry of Internal Affairs has decided to delete Morse telegraphy testing for its Amateur Radio Class 1 and 2 licenses with effect from October 2011. (Source: Practical Wireless August 2011)

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

677. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-24 22:16:48 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <ca3b4069-d5f6-4ec9-80a2-613f7eed58b9@r18g2000vbs.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4317
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Jul 24, 2:55 pm, "radio rambo" <radiora...@

678. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-24 22:17:38 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <5cce6fc8-b9e8-4130-9b83-8d4d02ef9e56@d32g2000yqa.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4318

On Jul 24, 12:30 pm, S

can the spam

679. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1020

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-25 12:10:55 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <703125.58401.bm@smtp101.sbc.mail.bf1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 4319
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1020
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The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Bulletin No. 1020
BID: $OPDX.1020
July 25, 2011
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 17th-July, through Sunday, 24th-July there were 211 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5R, 5T, 5X, 5Z, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A3, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J3, J5, J6, J7, JA, JD/o, JT, JX, JY, K, KH0, KH2, KH4, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ7, PY, PZ, S5, SM, SP, ST, ST0, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T32, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V8, VE, VK, VK9L, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZD9, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

17M INTERFERENCE RESOLVED. Chuck, W3ON, informs OPDX and its readers: "I just received an E-mail from the Laura at the FCC regarding the CW transmissions heard on 18085 kHz over the last several weeks, that the issue has been resolved. The FCC received a request from the ARRL, and others such as me, to investigate the transmissions. It found that the

transmissions were from a transmitter operating in the state of California. The FCC visited the radio site, and the transmissions ceased. Laura stated that the transmissions were inadvertent. No further details were furnished. When I checked this morning, July 22nd, the strange CW signals are gone. On a personal note, I am glad to hear that the FCC does react to requests sent by email. In my case, I received an E-mail within a few hours from Laura, at the FCC, that they had been contacted about the matter and were investigating the incident. This was my first attempt at writing to the FCC about anything. :) "

5X, UGANDA. Only a few more days to work Stewart, GM4AFF, as 5X1SF from Kampala. He will be going QRT on July 29th. Activity has been mainly on 20 meters at various times using CW and SSB. QSL via GM4FDM.

7P8, LESOTHO. Arnold, WB6OJB, will once again be active as 7P8JK from here between September 15-22nd. Activity last time was on the HF bands, 40-10 meters using mostly SSB with some CW. QSL direct to his home callsign.

9H, MALTA (Update). Jasper, PB2JJ, will be active as 9H3JN from Malta between September 2-14th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters, mostly CW and some SSB also. QSL via his home callsign.

EA6, BALEARIC ISLANDS. Jordi, EA3PT, will be active as EA6/EA3PT from Menorca Island (EU-004) between August 8-21st. Activity will be holiday style (at least 1 hour of the day) on 40/20/17/15/12/10 meters SSB only. He really likes 17 meters. QSL via LoTW or to his home callsign.

EI, IRELAND. Members of the Dalkey Island Contest Group will be active as EI1DD from the Main island of Ireland (EU-115) during the RSGB IOTA Contest. Operators mentioned are Paul/EI2CA, Peter/EI7CC, Sean/EI7CD, S&#xFFFD;amus/EI8BP, Ger/EI8CC, Aidan/EI8CE and Norbert/EI8KD/LX1NO. QSL only via the EI Bureau.

GB5/GW8, WALES (IOTA Op!). Members of the Barry Amateur Radio Society (B.A.R.S.) will be on Flat Holm Island (EU-124) for the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st). The B.A.R.S. group will on the island Thursday, July 28th, for 5 days. Prior to the contest, the callsign will be GB5FI. During the IOTA Contest they will use GW8K. QSL via GW0ANA. HISTORICAL NOTE: Glyn, GW0ANA, Chairman of B.A.R.S., informs OPDX that it was this island that Marconi came to in May 1897. He successfully transmitted a CW signal between Flat Holm in Wales to Brean Down in Somerset, England. Thus making this transmission the world's first DX and first IOTA DXpedition (as Marconi came from Italy to Wales).

GI, NORTHERN IRELAND. Operators Declan/EI9HQ, Ger/EI4GXB, Rory/EI4DJB, Peter/GI4VIV, GI0WHO and Victor/GI4ONL will be active as GI8P from Rathlin Island (EU-122) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st).

GJ, JERSEY. Members of the Jersey Contest Group will be active as GJ2A from Jersey Island (EU-013) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st). QSL via LoTW, or direct to GJ3DVC.

GM, SCOTLAND (IOTA & SCOTIA Ops!). Andre, GM3VLB, will once again try to activate some of the SCOTIA islands (SCOTtish Island Award) he missed last year during a 3 week DXpedition in September to the two IOTA groups -- Orkney (IOTA EU-009, SCOTIA OI14) and Shetland (IOAT EU-012, SCOTIA SI11) Islands. Here is his proposed "plan of action" in relation to Shetland. Andre only has 6 of the 26 designated SCOTIA islands still to activate. XYL Veronica and Andre will be in Shetland from early morning July 28th to late evening August 5th. It is his plan to attempt to activate all 6 islands. His proposed, "ideal" plan of action is as follows, but we must add that all will depend on the WX and availability of boatmen. As in previous attempts, there will almost certainly be changes to the plan. It is naturally impossible to suggest proposed start/finish times. Andre suggests that the best solution is to monitor 14257.5 kHz +/- QRM. He states, "There will be NO overnight/camping operation...I consider that at 73+, and after 15 years and 271 islands, I have "done my bit" in that respect...Where are the keen, young, activators ??!!" Planned schedule for Shetland is as follows:
July 28th - Papa Little (SI14); his 3 or 4th attempt!! Willing boatman, but no chance if winds come from a southerly direction.
July 29th - Balta (SI25); Friendly, willing boatman [took Alex and Andre to Linga (SI23) last year]... has to fit us into his working day..hopeful.
July 30th - Hascosay (SI21); Again, a willing boatman...skipper of an inter-island ferry... he'll do what he can to help..hopeful.
July 31st - Bigga (SI19); This is the big unknown...have seen no boats in the area, have no contacts, but will try everything. Andre may end up doing this one before SI21, if he sees an opportunity.
August 1st - West Linga (SI16); This needs to be tackled from Whalsay (SI15)...No problems (other than WX) anticipated...friendly fishermen on Whalsay...only WX dependent..Fairly certain he will spend Sunday and Monday nights on Whalsay in the old campervan, so Andre may well activate SI15 also, although this is not a prime target, as he has previously activated this one with Alex G(M)0DHZ.
August 2nd - Linga (SI17); No problem with this one. Willing fisherman; only WX-dependent, as ever...If not this day, then another. Certain!
These six are the main and final targets in SHETLAND (EU-012). Andre has allowed 3 extra days before sailing onwards to ORKNEY (EU-009), early evening on Friday, August 5th. WX-permitting, he hopes to take a short flight over to OUT SKERRIES on Thursday, August 4th (out at 0800z, back in at 1530z) - not a SCOTIA island, but (Andre hasn't told his XYL Veronica), he will take a rig and the "Islander" antenna, and beg for power...).
ORKNEY (EU-009): Andre's current plan is to be on Orkney from very late evening August 5th, until early morning August 18th. He has 9 SCOTIA "OI" islands on his "wanted" list - the last 9 to complete all 200 SCOTIA islands (assuming he is successful in Shetland). All, Andre can say is that he will attempt as many as possible. At the time of writing, Andre does not even have a proposed "plan of action" yet. He will be working on this

over the next few days. As Andre says, "I will try to activate as many as possible in the time available... Andre needs, and will target, Swona (OI01), Switha (OI03), Copinsay (OI12), Muckle Green Holm (OI20), Linga Holm (OI21), Eynhallow (OI24), Holm of Scockness (OI26), Faray (OI28) and Calf of Eday (OI29).

HK0/M, MALPELO ISLAND (Update OPDX.1010 & OPDX.1016). According to the HK0NA Web page <http://hk0na.com> three new members have been added to the DXpedition, and the team is now complete. The "Colombian Flora and Fauna" has approved the increase to 15 operators. The three new members are John/VE7CT, Manu/LU9ESD and Jerry/WB9Z, and they will join the team of Jorge/HK1R (Team Leader), Jahm/HK1T, Pedro/HK1X, Franz/DJ8ZB, Bolmar/HK1MW, Jaime/HK1N, Alexis/YV5SSB/6, Olli/OH0XX, Pedro/HK3JJH, Gregg/W6IZT, Dr.San/K5YY and Bob/K4UEE. Also approved this week is the start date of the DXpedition to begin on January 22nd, 2012, unless nothing extraordinary happens, as well as a list of equipment and all activities that will be realized on the island by the DXpedition team. During the second week of August (2011), there will be a final meeting between the "Colombian Flora and Fauna", Fundacion Malpelo, SEA WOLF vessel and the "Dxcolombia Amateur Radio Club" (DXARC) to workout the final details. They hope that they will have the written permit at the end of August or beginning of September. Also mentioned on the Webpage is that ELECRAFT Radios is a new sponsor for their DXpedition. For more details and updates, visit the HK0NA Web page at: http://hk0na.wordpress.com

IOTA NEWS (Remember the RSGB IOTA Contest is July 30-31st).....
IOTA CONTEST -- Complete details and can be found at:
http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2011/riota.shtml

EU-011. Paul, I1RBJ, will be active as M/I1RBJ from Ynys Skaw Island during the whole month of August. Activity will be on all bands and SSB only. He may try to operate from the other Scilly Islets while there. QSL via F/I1RBJ: Gian Carlo Bavassano, 24 RUE SAINTE BRIGITTE, 83440 MONTAUROUX, FRANCE.

EU-017. Alex, IK8YFU, will be active as ID9/IK8YFU from Stromboli Island (WLOTA 1996, IIA ME-016, Grid JM78KN) between now and July 30th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters and 6 meters. QSL via IK8YFU. Log will be uploaded to LoTW. For more details, see: http://iva.arasitalia.it

EU-031. (Cancelled) Activity by the Italian team to activate IC8L from Licosa Island (IIA SA 001, ARLHS ITA 089, WAIL CA 020, WLOTA LH 3342) on July 24th, had to cancel due to adverse sea conditions. They hope to try again on August 8th. For updates and details, see: http://www.ic8l.com

EU-038/
EU-127. Alex, IZ4AMS, will be active from the following two islands in August:
Helgoland Island (EU-127) - DL/IZ4AMS between August 11-14th
Texel Island (EU-038) - Possibly PA/IZ4AMS between August

14-17th
Activity will be only on 20 meters SSB using just 100 watts
and a vertical antenna.

EU-055. Christian, LA8OM, will be active from Finn&#65533;y Island between
July 28-31st. Activity will include the RSGB IOTA Contest
(July 30-31st) as a Single-Op/CW-Mode/24-Hrs entry. QSL via
the Bureau.

EU-064. Operators Geoffrey/F4FVI and Chris/HB9ELV will be active as
TM0NOI from Noirmoutier Island between August 12-14th. Activity
will be on 40/20/10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via F4FVI for
a Bureau QSL, and via HB9ELV for a direct QSL.

EU-068. Operators Bastien/F4EYQ, Jean-Francois/F4EYR and possibly
others will be active as F5KKD Sein Island (French Brittany)
during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st).

EU-073. A group of Italian operators will be active as IJ7A from San
Pietro Island (Grid JN80NK)between July 29-31st. Operators
mentioned are Vin/IK7IMO, Roby/IK7VJX and Roberto/IK7XIV. The
team will be active on all HF bands except 160m using CW and
SSB. The activity will also include the RSGB IOTA Contest
(July 30-31st) as a Multi-Op entry. QSL via IK7IMO, by the
Bureau or direct. For more datails and updates, watch:
http://ij7a.altervista.org/blog[/h]

EU-095. Antoine, F5RAB, will be active as F5RAB/P from Ratonneau
Island (DIFM ME003) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st).
He will use 100w into a dipole. QSL via F5RAB.

EU-149. Juri, ES5GP, will be active possibly as ES4GP or ES4WK from
Island of Vaindloo (ARLHS EST 057) between July 27th and
August 3rd. Activity will be on 80-10 meters, as well as 6
and 2 meters, using SSB and the Digital modes. He will also
be on during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st) as a Single-
Op/DXpedition/High-Power entry. QSL via the ES Bureau.

EU-166. Operators Giuseppe/IT9ATQ, Afio/IT9EJW, Giovanni/IT9GAC,
Andrea/IT9RKR, Sebastiano/IT9RYJ, Eugenio/IT9VKY, Dario/
IT9ZZO, Eugenio/IW9BCW, Davide/IW9GUR, Marcello/IW9HLI and
Andrea/IW9HQP will be active as IT9EJW/P from Lachea Island
(IIA CT-002) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st).
QSL via IT9EJW, direct or by the Bureau. For more detailed
information (about their 2010 op), go to:
http://www.it9ejw.it/lachea

EU-174. Laci/HA6NL will lead a Hungarian group to take part in the
RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st) from Thassos Island, Greece,
this year. They will be in the village of Astris on the south
point of the island between July 27th and August 1st. Operators
and callsigns mentioned are Laci/HA6NL (J48NL), Sanyi/HA7JJS
(J48JJ), Laci/HA7PL (J48P) and Andor, SV8/HA5AOP. QSL via their

home callsigns, by the HA Bureau or direct.

EU-174. Laci, HA0NAR, will be active as SV8/HA0NAR on Thassos Island between July 25th and August 1st. His QTH is on Skala Rachoni which is situated on the north-west "corner" of the island. Activity will include the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st) using the callsign SX8R. QSL via HA0NAR.

EU-181. Operators Stan/LZ1GC, Dechko/LZ1QV, Boyko/LZ1QN, Boris/LZ2JR, Nasko/LZ3YY and Todor/LZ5TS will be active as LZ0I from Sveti Ivan Island between July 29-31st. Activity will include the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st). QSL via LZ0I (by the QRZ.com address) or by the Bureau to LZ1BJ.

EU-185. Victor, R6AF, will be active as R6AF/P from Sudzhuk Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st) as a Single-Op/ All-Band/DXpedition/High-Power entry. QSL via his home callsign.

NA-126. Operators Helen/VA1YL, Rich/VA1CHP, Bill/VE1MR, Lynn/VE1ENT, Lowell/VY2OX, Bill/VE3NNQ, Al/VO1NO and Fred/VE1FA will be active as VX1D from Bon Portage (Outer) Island (CISA NS-128) between July 26th and August 1st. This is a special event callsign issued to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the first lighting of the Cape Sable Island lighthouse in 1861. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB and possibly RTTY. During the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st), look for the team to use the callsign VC1D. QSL both callsigns via VE1DHD.

NA-136. Adam, W1ASB, will be active as W1ASB/P RaM (Shea) Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st). Activity will be on 80-10 meters. QSL via W1ASB, For more info, see QRZ.com.

NA-152. (Op Cancelled!) Chuck, KL7OH, planned to activate Sarichef Island between August 1-15th, "due to lack of funds & pro-pagation". Chuck states, "a valiant effort will be made for 2012".

SA-046. Members of Casa do Radioamador de Pernambuco (CRAPE) will once again be active as PY7CRA/p from Itamaraca Island (DIB-018) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st). Activity will be on all HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL via PY7CRA, direct or by the Bureau. Visit their Web page at: http://www.crape-py7cra.com.br

SA-095. (Update) Operators Cezar/VE3LYC and Dino/CE3PG have embarked on a project to activate Pupuya Islands as CE4A at less three days during the second half of November (dates mentioned - between Novembver 20-23rd. Please note that these days can slip in case of bad weather conditions). The operation will take place under the auspices of the Radio Club de Chile. Given the difficulties associated with operating from Pupuya Islands, various contingencies will be considered, including radio

equipment, power, transportation, landing, and camping.
Activity will be on 40/30/20/17 meters using CW and SSB.
The team will attempt to operate around the clock, looking
for propagation windows to every region of the world. They
are looking intensely for interested groups and enthusiastic
individuals willing to support this project. QSL via VE3LYC,
PLEASE see the Web page for details. The DXpedition's Web is
at: http://ce4a.yolasite.com

JD1, MINAMI TORISHIMA. Take, JG8NQJ, is now active as JG8NQJ/JD1 from
Marcus Island in the Minami Torishima (OC-073) group until mid-October
2011, but will return again in December. Present activity has been only
30 and 17 meters. However, when Take returns to the island at the end
of the year, he will be active on all bands. QSL via his home callsign,
by the Bureau or direct to JA8CJY: Susumu 'Sin' Sanada, 5-17, 5-4,
Shin-Ei, Toyohira, Sapporo 004, Japan. Online log is available at:
http://dx.qsl.net/cgi-bin/logform.cgi?jd1-jg8nqj

JD1, OGASAWARA. Makoto, JI5RPT, will once again be active as JD1BLY from
Chichijima Island (AS-031), Ogasawara, between August 1-7th. Activity
will be on 40-6 meters, including the satellites, using CW, SSB and the
Digital modes (NO 6m EME). QSL via his home callsign JI5RPT. His log
search will be available on his Web site at: http://www.ji5rpt.com/jd1
He will also use Twitter to inform his real-time activities at:
http://twitter.com/jd1bly

KH6, HAWAII. Jim, N6TJ, will be active as KH6LC from Keaau (Hawaii
County, Grid Square: BK29), during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October
29-30th) as a single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via LoTW or direct to
QSL Manager WA6WPG.

KH6, HAWAII. Dave, WJ2O, will be active as KH6/WJ2O between November
23-30th. Activity will be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th).
Outside the contest, look for Dave on the 30/17/12 meter bands. QSL
via WJ2O.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (July 25-31st)....
Jul 25 AN SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS
Jul 26 AN --------------------
Jul 27 AN BN - Below Normal
Jul 28 HN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Jul 29 HN LN - Low Normal
Jul 30 HN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Jul 31 HN-AN DIS - Disturbed
VDIS - Very Disturbed

GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

LIGHTHOUSE ANNOUNCEMENTS.....
GS2UG - Geoff, G0PFH, will activate three lighthouses this week as GS2UG in Scotland. His updated itinerary for this coming week is as follows:
July 26th - Southerness Lighthouse (SCO-223)
July 27th - Killantringan (or Black Head) Lighthouse (SCO-111)
July 28th - Port Patrick Lighthouse (SCO-177)
Geoff will be on the air between 1100-1600z all three days. Suggested frequency will be 14255 khz or above, depending on the QRM. QSL via G0PFH, by the Bureau or direct (see QRZ.com). Watch QRZ.com under GS2UG for more information and updates.

KD4QIT/LH - Jeff, KD4QIT, will be active from the New Point Comfort Lighthouse (USA 543) in Matthews County, VA, for 6 hours between 1300-1900z on August 4th. Activity will be on 40/20/15 meters using SSB and PSK31. All QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW and eQSL. Paper QSL are available direct.

PG6HK - During the International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend (August 20-21st) the special callsign PG6HK will be on the air and will be active from the old lighthouse in Harderwijk [aka De Vischpoort](NL0038, NET-162), Netherlands. The team will be active on several modes on HF and VHF. Operators mentioned are Cil/PA1RBZ, Gert/PA2LO, Michel/PD0JMB, Ben/PD0PDB and Jack/PD2J. QSL via PA2LO. For more details, see: http://www.PG6HK.com

W7KXB - Bill, W7KXB, will activate Patos Island Lighthouse Station (ARLHS USA-584, ILLW USA-123) in Washington for the first time ever August 6-7th. QSL via his home callsign.

MU, GUERNSEY (Update). Members of the Dutch Contest and Expedition team (PA6Z) will be active as MU/PA9M from Guernsey (EU-114) between October 23-30th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW and SSB. Operators mentioned are Marcel/PA9M, Frank/PA4N, Jelmer/PA5R, Dervin/PD9DX, Arbo/PH0AS, Arend/PA2AWU and Dick PA4VHF. QSL via PA9M, direct or by the Bureau. For more details and updates, go to: http://www.pa6z.nl/guernsey2011

NP3, PUERTO RICO (NA-099). Sergio, NP3QE, will be active during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m)/SSB-Mode/Low-Power/12-Hrs entry. QSL via his home callsign.

OY, FAROE ISLANDS (EU-018). Carsten, OY1CT, will be active during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st). QSL via direct (see QRZ.com for details).

PJ7, ST. MAARTEN. Isao, JH1ROJ, will be active possibly as PJ7ROJ from Sint Maarten (NA-105) between August 18-25th. Activity will be on all HF bands using CW and SSB. He will use a FT-450 with a 500w amp into a HF6V and 2 element beam for the higher bands. QSL via his home callsign. Log will be uploaded to LoTW after the operation.

QRP DXCC STANDING LIST. Lee Hiers, AA4GA, states, "Since the ARRL only issues QRP DXCC certificates, but does not maintain official standings boxes for QRP, and because I couldn't find such a standings box elsewhere,

I've decided to maintain a list on my Web site at: http://www.aa4ga.com
Interested QRP DXers are invited to click on the 'QRP DXCC' link on my
site and submit their information to me for inclusion. Hopefully over
time, it will serve as valuable inspiration for other QRP ops."

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated July 24th)
Lothar, DL1SBF - is back from his holiday in Liechtenstein

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5T0JL via ON8RA IL3A via IK3HHX
9A/DH1NAX via DH1NAX PC06M via PE1ITR
EG7FPR via EA7HFS PJ7TM via K2GSJ
EN5R via UY2RA ST0R via EA5RM
HG0WFF via HA0HW TC2BK via TA7EB
ID9/IK8YFU/P via IK8YFU TK11QRP via F8BBL

9V1YC QSL STATUS/UPDATE. QSL Manager Randy, W5UE, reports, "I received
log updates from James for QSOs between 17 April and 22 July today. I
am processing the backlog received since mid-April this weekend. Should
be in the mail Monday. Sorry for the delay."

NEED A QSL MANAGER? John, N5ER, is willing to serve as a QSL Manager
for a DXPEDITION or a couple of DX Stations in need. If interested,
feel free to ask him him by dropping an E-mail to:
n5er@arrl.net --or-- jclark@brownjanitorsupply.com

OLD QSLS AVAILABLE. Jean-Michel, F6AJA, reports, "Maybe someone still
wants a card for FT5ZB, FT0ZB and/or FT2XE from 1988. The LNDX has
printed a small batch of cards and you can send a request (direct
or by the Bureau) to F3CJ: Joel Cathelain, 4 hameau des Tilleuls,
Les Antennes, F-62118 Pelves, France.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 5X1VB, 5Z4/UA4WHX/A, 8P9NX, CR6K, HK1X, PJ4LS,
PT7CB, PV8ADI, PY2WC and ZS8MI

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 4A4A, 5Z4FM, 9L5MS, HZ1FI, LZ2WO, S21YZ,
T6AF and TO2FH

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: NONE REPORTED THIS WEEK!

ST0, SOUTH SUDAN (Update). Amateur radio is now active in the South Sudan,
the world's newest country, as well as the 193rd member of the United
Nations and new DXCC entity. First signals were heard on July 22nd.
Co-leader Paul, N6PSE, reported on July 23rd, that the teams arrived in
Juba on July 22nd. He states (edited), "We have now been QRV for 23 hours
on CW and SSB. We are putting more antennas and stations on the air today.
Our hotel's internet is broken so it is difficult to communicate to the
outside world at this time other than via radio. More information to
follow. All stations should be QRV tomorrow (July 24th) until August
10th. They hope to have five stations on the air operating simultaneously
in the coming days. They announced on the 24th that the a new TX frequency

for 20 meters is 14145 kHz, RX from 14200 kHz and up. For more details and updates watch: http://www.dxfriends.com/SouthernSudan2011
As this was being prepared, their logs showed (at 1112z, July 24th): 9695 QSOs with 4796 unique callsigns. QSL via EA5RM direct. Their OQRS will be activated after the DXpedition. Online log is available on the Web page.

SV5, DODECANESE. Stathis, SV5DKL, will be active from Rhodes Island (EU-001) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st) as a Single-Op/ CW-Mode/24-Hrs entry. QSL via LoTW or direct (QRZ.com).

T6, AFGHANISTAN. Francesco, IZ8NWA, an Italian soldier stationed in southern Afghanistan until November 2011, is expected to be active as T6FR. Activity will be on 20/17/15/10 meters using SSB and PSK31. QSL via IZ8OJG only. Visit his Web page at: http://iz8nwa.jimdo.com

VK9L, LORD HOWE ISLAND. Members of the Hellenic Amateur Radio Association of Australia are now active from Lord Howe Island (OC-004) as VK9HR until August 2nd. Activity by the international team of operators will operate CW, SSB and RTTY, and on 160-6 meters. QSL via EB7DX. The operation's Web site is: http://www.vk9hr.com

W9DXCC CONVENTION. The Midwest's best known DX convention, W9DXCC, will be held this year on Friday and Saturday, September 16-17th, at the Holiday Inn in Elk Grove Village, IL. The hotel is conveniently located just west of O'Hare International Airport and just off Interstate 90 and offers a free airport shuttle and a low room rate of $89 plus tax. This year's programs includes VP8ORK South Orkney, CY0 Sable Island, a report on K9CT's new 11-tower contest station, propagation by K9LA, and the banquet speaker is ARRL President Kay Craigie, N3KN. The audio/visual setup is top notch, making it easy to see and hear the programs. The convention opens at 7:30 PM Friday evening with registration/packet pick-up and a welcome reception, followed by a hospitality suite hosted by the Northern Illinois DX Association. The Saturday activities run from registration at 8:00 AM through the banquet at 6:30 PM and another hospitality suite hosted by the Greater Milwaukee DX Association. Complete details are available on the Web site at: http://www.w9dxcc.com
PLEASE NOTE: They will not be mailing flyers and registration forms this year. Please save a copy of this announcement and register on the Web site. You can pay by check or, new this year, by PayPal for your convenience. Ticket discounts are available for registrations received by September 10th.

ZB2, GIBRALTAR. Astronaut Edmondo, VA3ITA/IW0GVP, will be active as ZB2/VA3ITA from Gibraltar between August 8-11th. Activity will be on 6 and 2 meters only, using CW, SSB, the Digital modes and the satellites. Edmondo is willing to make skeds. Please check his QRZ.com page for his E-mail address and updated information. QSL via VA3ITA, direct or by the Bureau.

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+ ARRL Board of Directors Holds 2011 Second Meeting

The ARRL Board of Directors met July 15-16. Highlights of the meeting
include:
* After hearing a comprehensive progress report, the Board
authorized the staff to continue planning to publish an electronic
edition of _QST_ as a benefit to ARRL members at no additional
charge.
* Committees were created to review the ARRL Band Plans for the
amateur bands between 902-3500 MHz, to plan the program of
activities for the ARRL's Centennial in 2014 and to seek input
from youth and others to improve outreach to young Americans.
* The Board welcomed the opportunity for ARRL involvement in the
Seventh World Radiosport Team Championship, to be held in New
England during the ARRL's Centennial Year.
* The Board accepted a recommendation to change the name of the RTTY
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DXCC Award to Digital DXCC.

A more detailed report of the meeting will be distributed when the minutes are released. If you would like to receive a copy of the minutes via e-mail, please go to "Edit your Profile" on the ARRL website, click on "Edit Email Subscriptions" and check the box labeled "ARRL Board meeting agendas and minutes." The minutes will also be available for download from the website in the coming days.
+ _Amateur Radio in Space_: NASA's Space Shuttle Program Comes to an End

The space shuttle _Atlantis _lands for the final time at NASA's Kennedy Space Center in Florida. Click here for a larger image. [Photo courtesy of NASA]

As _Atlantis_ once again touched the Earth in Florida on Thursday, July 21, an era came to an end. This era saw dreams realized when men and women could go into space on a craft -- the space shuttle -- that could be used again and again. NASA's space shuttle fleet has set dreams aflight since its first launch on April 12, 1981, starting with _Columbia_ and continuing with _Challenger_, _Discovery_, _Atlantis_ and _Endeavour_. These crafts have carried people into orbit repeatedly, launched, recovered and repaired satellites, conducted cutting-edge research and transported materials to help build the largest structure in space, the International Space Station.

Barely 30 months after _Columbia_ first lifted to the skies, radio amateurs around the world were excited about another first: a ham in space. It was 1983 -- the third year of the space shuttle program -- and Mission Specialist Owen Garriott, W5LFL, was on board _Columbia_ for mission STS-9. NASA had given Garriott permission to attempt radio contact with Amateur Radio operators on Earth during his free time. Read more here.
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+ _Public Service_: ARRL Soliciting Stations to Become Emergency Liaison Stations

During the 2008 hurricane season, ARRL Headquarters instituted a Command-Control-Coordination (C3) operation to support operations taking place in the affected ARRL Sections. One requirement was the need for Headquarters to establish radio links into the affected areas. In the summer -- the height of hurricane season -- 75 meters is noisy and doesn't propagate well during the day and hindered W1AW's reach into these areas. As such, the nets on 40, 75 and 80 meters -- while providing excellent coverage of several hundred miles in the impacted areas -- did not allow W1AW to monitor these frequencies, nor did it permit monitoring of developing conditions that would allow Headquarters staff to maintain a higher level of situational awareness and disaster intelligence necessary for support operations.

ARRL West Gulf Division Director David Woolweaver, K5RAV, offered his EchoLink system to ARRL during the 2008 hurricane season. Woolweaver

-- who had good propagation into the impacted areas during the tropical events in the Gulf of Mexico area -- established a connection between his home HF equipment and EchoLink. By connecting in to this, W1AW was able to use a direct EchoLink connection to Woolweaver's home station, enabling W1AW to come up on these HF frequencies. With EchoLink, the ARRL was to maintain contact between the affected areas and with the National Hurricane Center and VoIP Hurricane Net operations.

The need to build out the capability to link HF stations to EchoLink was clear and Woolweaver began to enlist other stations in Texas to develop it. But according to ARRL Emergency Preparedness Manager Mike Corey, W5MPC, it has been an ad hoc effort with known stations with no official standing for emergency communications with the ARRL. Additionally, while a regional capability was developed in a part of Texas, the ARRL needed to have this capability throughout the rest of the country.

The concept of the _Emergency Radio Internet Linking System_ (ERILS) was crafted to meet this need, with ERILS stations operating under the ARRL Emergency Preparedness Program. Stations would be designated Official ERILS Stations after meeting specific criteria that would enable them to blend the capabilities of radio and the Internet, permitting emergency communications and a W1AW presence to occur. Stations would be geographically diverse, providing redundant pathways into multiple areas of the United States. While EchoLink was used successfully in 2008, other current and future software platforms could be used with traditional RF capabilities to meet the mission needs.

"Individual stations are the key component of ERILS," Corey explained. "These stations require a particular designation for planning and response purposes, and as recognition of the station owner's resources and commitment. These stations are designated as an _Emergency Liaison Station_. An ELS is not an Official Emergency Station (OES) that is part of the ARES® program, but is a separate resource available to the Emergency Preparedness Manager, or designees, and the ARRL Leadership." To find out more, including information on your station can be part of the ELS program, click here.
+ One Ham Killed, Another Seriously Injured in Tower Accident

Hot Springs is located in the southwest corner of the state, about an hour's drive south from Rapid City.

As a group of South Dakota hams were dismantling a 110 foot tower outside of Hot Springs on Saturday, July 16, a gust of wind toppled the final section, trapping two local hams underneath. Tim Anderson, K0OR, 54, and Tom Embree, NC0K, were transported to Rapid City Regional Hospital via helicopter, where Anderson died of his injuries. Embree underwent surgery on Sunday and Wednesday; he remains in serious condition. Both are members of the Hot Springs Amateur Radio

Club; Anderson was the club's president. Hot Springs is located about 57 miles south of Rapid City. Read more here.
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+ Newly Licensed Hams Help with Search for Missing California Man

Derrick Rush Rush vanished when he fell off his inner tube in the Kern River about 50 miles northeast of Bakersfield.

After Derrick Rush -- a 28 year old state corrections officer from Arroyo Grande, California - disappeared on July 9, several state agencies and volunteers began searching for him. According to reports, Rush vanished when he fell off his inner tube in the Kern River about 50 miles northeast of Bakersfield. Clayton Cullen, KJ6PYC, and his son CJ Cullen, KJ6PYD, of Paso Robles, joined the search efforts on July 13. Three days later, CJ spotted Rush's lifeless body floating by in the river and used his handheld transceiver to report it. His father was able to secure the body farther down the river. Read more here.
Solar Update

The Sun, as seen on Thursday, July 21, 2011 from NASA's SOHO Extreme Ultraviolet Imaging Telescope. This image was taken at 304 Angstrom; the bright material is at 60,000 to 80,000 Kelvin.

Tad "I want to be the one to walk in the Sun" Cook, K7RA, reports: The average daily sunspot numbers for the week rose nearly 27 points to 92.4, while average daily solar flux increased more than 9 points to 98.2. The latest prediction has solar flux values at 100 for July 21-23, 98 on July 24-28, 90 on July 29-August 2, 95 on August 3-7, 98 on August 8, and then back to 100 on August 9-16. The planetary A index for July 21-23 is predicted at 15, 12 and 8, then 5 on July 24-28, 8 on July 29-31, then 10, 8, 5 and 8 on August 1-4, 12 on August 5-7, and back to 8 on August 8-10. Look for more information -- including more about astrophysicist Douglas Biesecker's analysis and critique of predictions for a grand solar minima -- on the ARRL website on Friday, July 22. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by Cyndi Lauper's _Girls Just Want to Have Fun_.
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+ _Social Media_: ARRL Launches Online Forums

To assist League members in communicating with one another and with ARRL staff on topics of common interest, the ARRL has established three forums -- Contesting, Awards and Technology -- on the ARRL website. Visit _www.arrl.org/forums_ to chat with fellow hams about these topics. Additional forums are planned once we have gained some experience with these three. ARRL members, guest users and others can view the threads, but in order to participate in the conversations or ask questions, you must be logged in as an ARRL member. All users should read the forum rules before participating.
+ _Social Media_: Connect with ARRL and Amateur Radio via Social Media

ARRL participates on many of the popular social networking sites to share news, photos, events and videos. Check out these sites for communities of ARRL members who share your interests in Amateur Radio. We'll share everything with you -- and you can share with us, too!__

Find Us on Facebook

* _www.facebook.com/ARRL.org_ -- With almost 20,000 fans, the ARRL's Facebook page is the largest Amateur Radio site in social media.
* _www.facebook.com/LogbookOfTheWorld_ -- A nifty way to follow the latest LoTW news. LoTW is an exciting way for radio amateurs to confirm two-way contacts they have made and use the confirmations as credit toward various ARRL awards.

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This Week on the Radio

Go behind the scenes and meet a member of the ARRL HQ staff! This week we feature ARRL Field Organization Supervisor Steve Ewald, WV1X. Click here and scroll down the page to the "Meet the Staff" video box to meet Steve.

This week:
* July 22 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
* July 24 -- WAB 144 MHz QRO Phone
* July 27 -- SKCC Sprint
* July 27-28 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

Next week:
* July 29 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder

* July 30-31 -- RSGB IOTA Contest; US Counties QSO Party
* July 31 -- ARS Flight of the Bumblebees
* August 2 -- ARS Spartan Sprint

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page, the ARRL Contest Update and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar for more information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page.
Upcoming ARRL Section, State and Division Conventions and Events
* July 29-30 -- ARRL Oklahoma State Convention, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
* August 5-6 -- ARRL Texas State Convention, Austin, Texas
* August 5-7 -- ARRL Rocky Mountain Division Convention, Taos, New Mexico; ARRL Midwest Division Convention, Cedar Rapids, Iowa
* August 20 -- ARRL West Virginia State Convention, Weston, West Virginia
* August 20-21 -- ARRL Alabama State Convention, Huntsville, Alabama
* August 21 -- ARRL Kansas State Convention, Salina, Kansas
* August 28 -- ARRL Western Pennsylvania Section Convention, New Kensington, Pennsylvania
* September 9-11 -- ARRL Southwestern Division Convention, Torrance, California
* September 11 -- ARRL Great Lakes Division Convention, Findlay, Ohio
* September 17 -- ARRL Roanoke Division Convention, Virginia Beach, Virginia
* September 24 -- ARRL Washington State Convention, Spokane Valley, Washington

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681. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 18 - 24 July 2011

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# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
18 - 24 July 2011

Solar activity was at very low to low levels during the period. The
summary period began at low levels, when Region 1254 (S24, L=136,
class/area Cso/110 on 20 July) produced the largest event of the
period, a C1/Sf flare at 1028 UTC. On 19 July, solar activity
decreased to very low levels and remained at these levels for the
rest of the summary period. Even though numerous regions were
numbered and tracked during the summary period, all regions either
remained stable and quiet, producing low level B-class events, or
diminished to spotless plage.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
normal to moderate levels from 18-19 July. High levels were observed
for the remainder of the period, 20-24 July, in response to a
coronal hole high speed stream (CH HSS).

Geomagnetic activity ranged during the period between quiet to minor
storm levels, with a few isolated major storms occuring at high
latitudes due to coronal hole high-speed stream effects. Early on 18
July, quiet to unsettled levels were observed due to a solar sector
boundary crossing (SSBC), as the Earth moved from a positive to a
negative polarity region of the IMF. On 19 July, measurements from
the ACE spacecraft indicated the onset of another CH HSS while
geomagnetic levels also increased to mostly active coniditions at
mid latitudes. On 20 July, quiet to active levels were again
observed with an isolated major storm period occuring at high
latitudes between 0900-1200Z. Conditions on 21 and 22 July were also
observed at quiet to unsettled levels on both days. On 22 July,
conditions included a major storm period observed at high latitudes.
A return to quiet to unsettled levels was observed on 23-24 July, as
effects of the CH HSS finally deminished.
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Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
27 July - 22 August 2011

Solar activity is expected to be at very low to low levels during the forecast period. However, there is a chance that new, rapidly emerging flux regions could increase activity to moderate levels at any time during the outlook period.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to start the period at moderate to normal levels on 27 - 30 July, before increasing to high flux levels on 31 July - 02 August, as the result of elevated solar winds from a CH HSS. Moderate to normal levels are expected from 03-06 August after solar winds subside. A return to moderate to high levels is expected 07-13 August and once again from 16- 22 August as the result of two solar wind speed increases from two more coronal holes.

Geomagnetic activity is expected to be at quiet levels on 25 July. Quiet to unsettled levels are expected from 26 - 27 July as another CH HSS becomes geoeffective. A return to mostly quiet conditions is expected on 28 July. Quiet to unsettled levels are forecast on 29-31 July as a northern polar CH HSS extension moves into a geoeffective position. Afterwards, quiet levels are expected to prevail between 01 and 04 August. Conditions are expected to increase again, ranging from quiet to active levels 04-11 August as another recurrent CH HSS is expected. Mostly quiet conditions should return 12-14 August before the next CH HSS is expected 15-19 August, when unsettled to active conditions return. A brief retreat to mostly quiet levels is expected on 20 August before the period finally ending with mostly unsettled to active conditions as yet another recurrent CH HSS becoming geoeffective 21-22 August.

682. [DXNL] DXNL 1738 (Jul 27, 2011)

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CE0Y, EASTER ISLAND, SA-001
Frank,CE0Y/I2DMI, will be active only in RTTY between Jul 30 and Aug 8
on following preferred frequencies: 3.592, 7.042, 14.082, 18.102,
21.092, 24.922 and 28.092 MHz. His equipment includes a TS-480HX,
a TS-480SAT, a power amplifier, a trap vertical (I1UJX) and a dipole
for 3.5 MHz. QSL via homecall.
There is also an online survey about needed bands on his website:
http://www.mdxc.org/ce0yi2dmi/index.htm

F, FRANCE
The special event station TM2CV is working from the 19th World Meeting
of the 2CV friends in Salbris from Jul 26-31. QSL via F6KJX.

The clubstation TP2CE of the European Council (http://ewwa.free.fr)
will be active with the special call TP50CE once again from Jul 29-31.
QSL via F5LGF.

G, ENGLAND, EU-005
The Cestrian Scout Group from Chester is going to hit the airwaves on
10/12/15/17/20/40/80m signing GB2COS from Jul 29-31. This activity
takes place during the 22nd World Scout Jamboree in Sweden.
QSL via G7BQY.

JD1, OGASAWARA ISLAND, AS-031
Makoto,JI5RPT, will be QRV again as JD1BLY from Chichijima Island/
Ogasawara (AS-031) from Aug 1-7. He is working in CW, SSB and digital
modes on 40m-6m and via satellites (no 6m EME). QSL via homecall.
A logsearch will be available on his website: http://www.ji5rpt.com/jd1
He has also an own twitter site at: http://twitter.com/jd1bly

KH8, AMERICAN SAMOA, OC-045
Ron,WA8LOW, and others will operate with high power stations in CW,
SSB, RTTY and PSK on 160m&#65533;6m from Tutuila (OC-045) between Jul 30 and

Aug 14. QSL direct via WA8LOW.

LZ, BULGARIA, EU-181
Stan,LZ1GC, Dechko,LZ1QV, Boyko,LZ1QN, Boris,LZ2JR, Nasko,LZ3YY, and
Todor,LZ5TS, will be QRV as LZ0I from Sveti Ivan Island (EU-181) from
Jul 29-31, including the IOTA Contest. QSL via LZ1BJ.

OH, FINLAND, EU-140
Jari,OH1JO, will show up as OH1K from Kaunissaari Island (EU-140)
mainly on 20m from Jul 28 until Sep 4. QSL via homecall.

SM, SWEDEN
The special event station SJ22S (http://sj22s.simplyscouting.se) will
be active from the 22nd World Scout Jamboree near Rinkaby in Sweden
between Jul 27 and Aug 7. 40 HAMs from all over the world will activate
this call 24 hours 7 days a week.

SV5, DODECANESE, EU-001
SV5BYR, SW5KKR and a group from Crete will take part in the upcoming
IOTA Contest as J45K from Kasos Island (EU-001, KM35kj). They will
work on HF, 6m/4m/2m and also 1,2 GHz starting on Jul 27.
QSL via SV9DJO and LotW.

UN, KAZAKHSTAN
Mike,UN8GC, and his friends will be QRV as UQ44Q from the Kolsay Lakes
national park from Jul 29-31. More information at: http://uq44q.com
QSLs will be sent automatically via GlobalQSL, so no QSLs necessary!

UR, UKRAINE
R3CJR, UR3GO, UR5GDX, UR8GX and UT7CL are working in CW/SSB on 80m-10m
from the Kalanchakskiye Islands (EU-179) between Jul 26 and Aug 3.
QSL via UR8GX.

Bogdan,UT7UU, is activating the special event station EO2011U during
the F1 Powerboat Grand Prix in Vyshgorod in SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK 31/63
on HF from Jul 25 until Aug 5. QSL via UT7UU.

V6, MICRONESIA
If you still need Kosrae (OC-059) listen for V63FAA from Jul 25-29.
His next stop will be Pohnpei (OC-010) from Jul 30 until Aug 5.
He is working "holiday style" in SSB and CW mainly on 40m and 20m.
QSL via LOTW or direct to W6ANM.
More information available at http://home.comcast.net/~v63faa-2011/site

VE, CANADA, NA-198
VO1/VE9MY, VO1/VE9GLF and VO1/VO1DK are expected to hit the airwaves
from Little Bell Island (NA-198) this week. Operation takes place on
20m between 1400 and 2000 UTC. QSLs via homecalls.

W, USA, NA-067
Jon,WB8YJF/4, is working in CW, RTTY and SSB on 80m-10m from
Ocracoke Island (NA-067) from Jul 24&#65533;31, including the IOTA Contest.
QSL via homecall.

ZB2, GIBRALTAR
Astronaut Edmondo,VA3ITA/IW0GVP, will be QRV as ZB2/VA3ITA from the rock Gibraltar from Aug 8-11. Activity will take place in CW, SSB, digital modes and via satellites only on 6m and 2m. Edmondo is also willing to make skeds. More information and his e-mail address can be found on QRZ.com. QSL via VA3ITA.

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at: http://www.sotawatch.org
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Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Jul 30-31: RSGB IOTA Contest

WFF Activities

DLFF-057: DL0WFF will activate the special DOK WFFDL from Jul 30 until Aug 13. QSL via DARC bureau. See also: http://www.wff-dl.de

EAFF-040, EAFF-041: EA5ENT (CW) and EA5TW (SSB) will be active on the HF bands from the Ordesa y Monte Perdido Natural Park and the Ordesa-Vinamala Biosphere Reserve from Aug 1-7. QSL via EB5HRX.

LZFF-077: LZ05WFF is working from "Baltata" in CW and SSB on all HF bands until Aug 8. QSL via LZ1BJ (bureau/direct).

IOTA collected by Ric,DL2VFR (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
EU-001, SV5, Dodecanese: SV5/DJ4MH is working in SSB on 10m/15m/20m from Kos between Jul 26 and Aug 8. He will take part in the IOTA Contest for a few hours as well. QSL via DJ4MH (bureau/direct).

EU-042, DL, Schleswig-Holstein State North West group: OM Volker,DL1WH, will be active from Amrum (GIA/DID N-18) from Jul 28 until Aug 5. QSL via DL1WH (bureau/direct).

EU-068, F, Sein Island: F4EYQ, F4EYR and other OMs of the clubstation F5KKD will activate l'Ile de Sein during the IOTA Contest on Jul 30/31.

EU-110, 9A: Alessandro,IZ4AMS, will be QRV from Sveti Nikola Island from Jul 29 till Aug 1, including the upcoming IOTA Contest. QSL via IZ4AMS.

EU-125, OZ: Rene,OZ/DH3BEA, is working from Fano Island from Jul 24 until Aug 5. QSL via homecall.

EU-149, ES: Juri,ES5GP, will be QRV from Vaindloo Island from 27 till Aug 3. He is working in SSB and digital modes on HF, 6m and 2m and will sign either ES4GP or ES4WK in the IOTA Contest. QSL via bureau.

EU-150, CT, Minho/Douro Litoral/Beira Litoral Province group: A group of HAMs from CT, DL and HB9 will sign CR6W (QSL via CS1GDX) in the IOTA

Contest. They willl stay on Insua after the contest and are going to
activate the lighthouse (ARLHS POR-028) as CS2W. Most likely they will
work only during daylight in CW and SSB on 40m-6m from Aug 1-7.
QSL via HB9CRV (bureau/direct). See also: http://www.to-mk.com/neu

EU-170, 9A, Dalmatia North group: DK3CH is working in SSB in his holidays
from Dugi Otok (CI-018) between Jul 28 and Aug 10. QSL via DK3CH.
See also: http://www.qrz.com/db/dk3ch

EU-172, OZ: Mike,DG5LAC, and Petra,DB1LPS, will be QRV in SSB on 80m-10m
signing OZ/DG5LAC from Bjorno Island from Jul 29 until Aug 1. They
will join the IOTA Contest as well. QSL via DG5LAC.

EU-172, OZ: Listen for OZ7BQ/p to become active from Drejo Island between
Jul 29 and Aug 5, including the IOTA Contest. QSL via homecall or LoTW.

EU-174, SV: Laci,HA0NAR, will sign SX8R from Thassos Island (EU-174)
working in CW, SSB and RTTY on 160m-6m from Jul 25 until Aug 1,
including the IOTA Contest. QSL via homecall.

EU-174, SV: Laci,HA6NL (J48NL), Sanyi,HA7JJS (J48JJ), Laci,HA7PL (J48P), and
Andor,HA5AOP (SV8/HA5AOP), will be QRV from Thassos Island as well
in the IOTA Contest and between Jul 27 and Aug 1. QSLs via homecalls.

NA-125, VE: VA3KAI, VE3VY, VE3BSB and maybe also other OMs intend to show up
as VE2/VE3LCA from Grosse Boule from Jul 29 till Aug 1. QSL via VA3KAI.

NA-126, VE: Rich,VA1CHP, Helen,VA1YL, Lynn,VE1ENT, Fred,VE1FA, Bill,VE1MR,
Bill,VE3NNQ, Al,VO1NO, and Lowell,VY2OX, are working on 80m-6m signing
VX1D from Bon Portage Island between Jul 26 and Aug 1.
They will use the callsign VC1D in the IOTA Contest. QSL via VE1DHD.

NA-152, KL7, Nome County North group: CANCELLED! KL7OH has cancelled his
activity from Sarichef due to the "lack of funds and propagation".

SA-046, PY: The OPs PU7RLM, PY7AHA, PY7GK, PY7OO, PY7VI and PY7XC will sign
PY7CRA/P from Itamaraca Island from Jul 29-31. QSL via PY7CRA.

Bandspots of the last 7 days

40m
TK/OE5IRO/p 7.118 1215Z SOTA TK-103
TK/OE5RTP/p 7.118 1215Z SOTA TK-103

30m
HB0/DL2JRM 10.106 1600Z via DL2JRM (B)
OH0/SM1TDE 10.105 1603Z EU-002, via homecall (B)
OZ/DL4FO 10.117 0554Z EU-172
ST0R 10.104 1738Z via EA5RM (B), OQRS
7S5A 10.118 1804Z EU-177

20m
EE7NL 14.285 1944Z via EA7NL (B)
K6VVA/KL7 14.044 0857Z NA-242, via N6AWD (B)

KL7RRC/p 14.008 1804Z NA-232, via N7RO (B)
NS0TA 14.061 1645Z SOTA HA-002, N7UN
OL90FOLK 14.015 1545Z via OK7MT
SM5/DH8WE/p 14.270 1306Z EU-084
SP8BBK/p 14.044 1656Z SPFF
SP5KCR 14.024 1620Z SPFF-506 501
ST0R 14.024 1228Z via EA5RM (B), OQRS
5X1SF 14.197 1858Z via GM4FDM (e-mail)
9Y4LAS 14.244 0634Z SA-011

17m
EA1GIB/M 18.140 0856Z EU-080
OD5NH 18.140 0738Z (d)

15m
HS0ZEE 21.014 1556Z (d)
ST0R 21.295 1220Z via EA5RM (B), OQRS
TC2BK 21.008 1546Z via TA bureau
VK8NSB 21.005 1045Z via M0URX (B)
9A/S55OO 21.017 1446Z EU-016

10m
MD0CCE 28.012 1640Z

(d) Only direct
(B) Bureau ok
(L) LoTW
(r) Bureau QSL via e-mail request

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

-Dec 3Y8XSA 1700/1717
-25Oct 5B50J 1700
-Apr/12 5Z4RH ? 1674
Jul 7Q7MH 1734
-30Nov 8J1MORSE.. 1731
23Jul-14Aug 8P9XC 1737
-31Dec 9A11P 1723
13Jul-30Jul 9A8ASN 1736
29Jul-01Aug 9A/IZ4AMS 1738 *
-Sep 9J2KK 1682
NOW 9M2/KM9D 1731
SOON 9Q1EK 1669
-Nov 9Q6CC 1699

-Aug A92IO 1663
-31Dec BP100 1684
-31Dec BV100 1684
14Jul-28Jul C92DG 1736
30Jul-08Aug CE0Y/I2DMI 1738 *

30Jul/31Jul CR6W 1738 *
01Aug-07Aug CS2W 1738 *
-31Dec CW5RV 1711
09Jul-29Jul DF8HS/p 1736
28Jul-10Aug DK3CH 1738 *
28Jul-05Aug DL1WH 1738 *
-31Aug DL20Y2DM 1700
30Jul-13Aug DL0WFF 1738 *
01Aug-07Aug EA5ENT & EA5TW 1738 *
25Jul-05Aug EO2011U 1738 *
27Jul-03Aug ES4GP/ES4WK 1738 *

30Jul/31Jul F5KKD 1738 *
-Aug FO8RZ 1636
-Jul/12 FR8NE 1710
22Jul-04Aug FP/K9OT.. 1737
29Jul-31Jul GB2COS 1738 *
-31Dec HB60LU 1711
-31Dec HG15IPA 1724
01Jan-31Dec HG200LST 1708
01Jan-31Dec IA7MM 1708
01Jan-31Dec II1ITA.. 1708
01Mar-30Sep IO4UI 1717
-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul/12 J28RO 1683
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
27Jul- J45K 1738 *
27Jul-01Aug J48NL 1738 *
01Aug-07Aug JD1BLY (Og.) 1738 *
-07Aug JT1FDB 1737

16Jun-05Sep K1VSJ 1732
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
-May/12 KH4/W5FJG 1728
POSTPONED KH5 1674/1705
11Jul-31Jul LA1QDA 1736
-31Dec LA200D 1713
23Jul-02Aug LA/SP7VC.. 1737
-31Dec LZ85R 1721
29Jul-31Jul LZ0I 1738 *
-08Aug LZ05WFF 1738 *
25Jul-31Jul NC4EN/2 1737
28Jul-04Sep OH1K 1738 *
Aug OL100VP 1721
Jul OL2011VP 1721
29Jul-05Aug OZ7BQ/p 1738 *
24Jul-05Aug OZ7VEA 1737
23Jul-02Aug OZ/DF2SD 1737
27Jul-01Aug OZ/DG5LAC 1738 *
24Jul-05Aug OZ/DH3BEA 1738 *
17Jul-29Jul OZ/DL4FO 1736

-Sep P29CW 1713
01Jan-31Dec PA30.. 1708
29Jul-31Jul PY7CRA/p 1738 *
-Dec RI1ANC 1708
01Jul-01Aug SF2X/p 1734
27Jul-07Aug SJ22S 1738 *
01May-31Jul SQ100MSC 1725
22Jul-10Aug ST0R # 1731/1737
26Jul-08Aug SV5/DJ4MH 1738 *
25Jul-01Aug SX8R 1738 *
-Jun/12 T6MO 1733
-Nov T6SH 1734
23Jul-31Jul TC100TAF 1737
20Jul-27Jul TC2BK 1737
23Jul-30Jul TC7EYOF 1737
23Jul-06Aug TK11OTA 1737
26Jul-31Jul TM2CV 1738 *
29Jul-31Jul TP2CE 1738 *

29Jul-31Jul UQ44Q 1738 *
19May-Jul V31XB 1728
30Jul-05Aug V63FAA 1738 *
29Jul-01Aug VE2/VE3LCA 1738 *
23Jul-02Aug VK9HR 1737
-Mar/12 VK0KEV (Macq) 1700/1701
24Jul-31Jul VO1/VE9MY.. 1738 *
26Jul-01Aug VX1D 1738 *
May -Aug W3CVD/4 1726
18Jul-25Aug W4/DF2MM 1736
30Jul-14Aug WA8LOW/KH8 1738 *
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
26Jul-08Aug XE3/IZ2LSC 1737
NOW XT2RJA 1712
08Aug-11Aug ZB2/VA3ITA 1738 *
-Sep ZC4MIS 1732
24Jul-09Aug ZD8D 1737
-Sep ZD9GI 1691
-31Dec ZL50GH 1711

all can change after the allocation of a new prefix
* ew or updated
.. nd other calls

QSL information

DR16BENE via DL7BC
EA5ENT via EB5HRX
EA5TW via EB5HRX
EE7NL via EA7NL
EG7FPR via EA7HFS (B)
EN5R via UY2RA (B)
ES0/OH7TT via RD1AR, eQSL

HG0WFF via HA0HW (B)
ID9/IK8YFU/p via IK8YFU (B)
IL3A via IK3HHX (B)
OH7TT via RD1AR, eQSL
OL90FOLK via OK7MT
ON30NOL via ON5LL, (L)
PC06M via PE1ITR (B)
PJ7TM via K2GSJ (B)
ST0R via EA5RM (B)
TC2BK via TA7EB (d) or TA bureau
TK11QRP via F8BBL (B)
TM11OON via F4ERQ
V31RN via K3TRM (*), (L)
5T0JL via ON8RA (B)
9A/DH1NAX via DH1NAX (B)

(d) Only direct
(B) Bureau ok
(*) New QSL manager
(L) Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) E-mail request

QSLs arrived bureau: EK8SK, EK8WA, IR2C, IZ8OGR, KZ9O, VX3XN, YT0HQ, YT1HA, YT7AW

SOUTH SUDAN

The members of the Intrepid-DX Group and the DX Friends showed up on the bands a little earlier than planned already on Jul 22.
Operation takes place on following frequencies (in MHz):
Band CW SSB RTTY
6m 50.105 50.115 ---
10m 28.024 28.495 28.080
12m 24.894 24.945 24.920
15m 21.024 21.295 21.080
17m 18.074 18.145 18.100
20m 14.024 14.145 14.080
30m 10.104 10.140 ---
40m 7.004 7.065/7.180 7.035
80m 3.504 3.780 ---
160m 1.824 1.845 ---
Their online logs are at: http://www.dxfriends.com/SouthernSudan2011/log.php

IOTA CONTEST 2011
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115 stations on island announced their participation until the deadline of this bulletin. This includes rare IOTA groups lile OC-239, NA-091, NA-039, NA-142 and NA-144. The following table lists the expected IOTA stations but many more will show up without announcement.
Please remember that QSOs with stations submitting a contest log may be credited for the IOTA award at: http://www.rsgbiota.org

IOTA Call QSL via

AF-003 ZD8D DL9HO
AF-004 EF8M UA3DX
AF-018 IH9YMC IH9YMC
AS-066 RW0MM/p RW0MM
AS-080 D93I DS4NYE
AS-101 HS7AT/p direct
AS-102 BV100 BV2KI
AS-146 BA3EO/3 BA4EG
EU-001 SV5/DJ4MH DJ4MH
EU-001 J45K SV9DJO
EU-001 SV5DKL SV5DKL
EU-007 EJ0PL EI5JQ
EU-008 GM7A GM7AAJ direct
EU-008 GM0ADX LoTW
EU-008 GM2T GM2T
EU-010 MM0LSB/p M0LSB
EU-010 GM7V N3SL
EU-013 GJ2A GJ3DVC direct
EU-015 SY9M SV9CVY
EU-017 ID9/IK8YFU IK8YFU
EU-018 OY1CT direct
EU-020 SA1A SM1TDE
EU-025 IT9RZU IT9RZU
EU-030 OZ4FF OZ4FF
EU-030 OZ7VEA DL7VEA
EU-031 IC8FBU IC8FBU
EU-031 IC8WIC IC8WIC
EU-034 ES0U ES2DJ
EU-039 TM7T ON7EQ
EU-040 CR5B CT1BOL
EU-042 DC1HPS/p DC1HPS
EU-048 TM2BI F6KPQ
EU-045 IB0R IK8HCG direct
EU-052 SZ8L SV8GKL
EU-055 LA8OM LA8OM
EU-057 DL5KUD DL5KUD
EU-062 LA/SP7VC SP7VC
EU-062 LA/SP7IDX SP7VC
EU-068 F5KKD F5KKD
EU-073 IJ7A IK7IMO
EU-080 ED1T EA1HLH
EU-084 SK0HS/5 SK0HS
EU-091 IQ7HK IK7FPX
EU-091 IO7T IZ7CTE
EU-092 GM1J GM1J
EU-094 TM1G F6CNM
EU-095 F5RAB/p F5RAB
EU-096 OH1TD OH1TD

EU-097 OH/G4SFU G4SFU
EU-110 9A8AMS IZ4AMS
EU-114 MP0HTJ M0TZO
EU-115 EI1DD EI1DD
EU-119 RC3W/1 RW3WWW
EU-120 G7N G5XV
EU-121 EJ3Z EI3Z
EU-122 MI0UDX EI9HQ
EU-123 MM0TFU/p MM0TFU
EU-123 GM7X G3SQX
EU-123 MM3T eQSL
EU-124 GW5O GW5O
EU-125 OZ/DL2JRM DL2JRM
EU-125 OZ0TX DL7AT
EU-125 OZ/DF2SD DF2SD
EU-127 DF6QC DF6QC
EU-129 DL0KWH/p DL0KWH
EU-129 DL6DQW/p DL6DQW
EU-129 DM6V/p DM6V
EU-132 SP8RX/1 DJ0IF
EU-133 RN1AW/p RN1AW
EU-133 RV1AQ/p RV1AQ
EU-133 UA1ABF/p UA1ABF
EU-135 SF2X/p SM5EFX
EU-136 9A/S57UN S57UN
EU-137 SA6G/7 SM6CUK
EU-140 OH1K OH1JO
EU-146 PA2A/p PA2A
EU-146 PF4C ON4ON
EU-146 PA/ON6CQ ON6CQ
EU-147 UA1NFA/p UA1NFA
EU-147 RN1N/p RN1N
EU-149 ES4GP ES4GP
EU-149 ES4WK ES4WK
EU-150 CR6W CS1GDX
EU-165 IM0P IZ1DNJ
EU-166 IT9EJW/p IT9EJW
EU-170 9A1CKL 9A1CKL
EU-170 9A/DK3CH DK3CH
EU-172 OZ7BQ/p OZ7BQ
EU-172 OZ/DG5LAC DG5LAC
EU-174 J48NL HA6NL
EU-174 SX8R HA0NAR
EU-179 UW0G/p UR8GX
EU-181 LZ0I LZ1BJ
EU-185 R6AF/p R6AF
NA-029 VE3ZZ/VY2 VE3ZZ
NA-032 FP/K9OT K9OT
NA-034 W4FDX/p W4FDX

NA-039 KL7RRC UA9OBA
NA-046 K1VSJ/p K1VSJ
NA-067 WB8YJF/4 direct
NA-067 AA4XX LoTW
NA-067 W4O N4YDU direct
NA-067 N4A N4YDU direct
NA-067 N4I W4OTN
NA-083 W4T K5VIP
NA-091 VE7RSV VE7RSV
NA-099 NP3QE NP3QE
NA-099 NP4DX W3HNK
NA-104 V47JA W5JON
NA-114 FG5KC/p FG5KC
NA-126 VC1S VE1DHD
NA-128 XM2I VE2CQ
NA-136 W1ASB/p W1ASB
NA-139 N2US/3 N2US
NA-142 W4S W4PC direct
NA-142 W2/DF2MM DF2MM
NA-143 K5KUA/p K5KUA
NA-143 AD5WB AD5WB
NA-144 W6UX/p K6GEP
NA-148 W1T W1GLO
NA-154 VC1Z VE1CDD
OC-004 VK9HR EB7DX
OC-021 YB3MM IZ8CCW
OC-142 VK4NM/p M0OXO
OC-239 YB9WZJ/p YB9WZJ
SA-046 PY7CRA/p PY7CRA
SA-047 PR5D PY5CD direct

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683. Hollywood looking for a Telefax machine

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-27 02:54:13 UTC
From: Jim Haynes <jhaynes@alumni.uark.edu>
Message-ID: <VeOdnQrelvFI4LLTnZ2dnUVZ_gudnZ2d@earthlink.com>
Source record: 4323
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

I remember there were once some hams using old Western Union Desk-Fax machines.

Here's a message received by one of my friends.

Hello,
My name is Montgomery Pollack, I own a motion picture prop house in Los Angeles, CA. I am on the hunt for a 1970’s working Telefax machine for a film we are working on right now. Do you have such an item or do you know where I can locate such an item.
Any information would be helpful.
Thank you so much for your time.
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He attached a picture of the common Desk-Fax machine.

684. Ham Radio Quiz

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-27 04:22:52 UTC
From: Anon <anon@anon>
Message-ID: <4skpbs.65m.17.1@news.alt.net>
Source record: 4324
Cross-posted to: alt.asshole.roger-wiseman,alt.cocksucker.roger-wiseman,alt.fan.ab8mq,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.cb

Ham Radio Quiz:

1. What is Lloyd Davies' Ham Radio License classification?

2. What is Roger Wiseman's Ham Radio License classification?

3. How many times did Lloyd Davies have to retest?

4. How many times did Roger Wiseman have to retest?

5. How many letters from Riley Hollingsworth did Lloyd Davies receive?

6. How many letters from Riley Hollingsworth did Roger Wiseman receive?

7. How many times did Lloyd Davies post fake kiddie porn ads over Roger Wiseman's name and address?

8. How many times did Roger Wiseman post fake kiddie porn ads over Llloyd Davies' name and address?

9. How many times have the Heils visited Lloyd Davies?

10. How many times have the Heils visited Roger Wiseman?

11. How many Usenet groups have been set up in Lloyd's name?

12. How many Usenet groups have been set up in Roger Wiseman's name?

Watch now as Roger does that which he is so known for. He will plagiarize this questionnaire and post edit same due to his lack of originality and intellect.

685. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-27 16:22:35 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <f0a68906-4d08-49a9-bcb3-b17b9945c67f@br5g2000vbb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4325
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.cb

On Jul 27, 12:22 am, "Anon

686. Re: Hollywood looking for a Telefax machine [mojo wire]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-27 22:20:35 UTC
From: dave <dave@dave.dave>
Message-ID: <4e308f32$0$12451$bd467cd0@news.dslextreme.com>
Source record: 4326

On 7/26/2011 7:54 PM, Jim Haynes wrote:
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> He attached a picture of the common Desk-Fax machine.
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Ask whoever made "Where the Buffalo Roam". Bill Murray shoots one in
that film.

687. WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING July 31 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-28 08:52:29 UTC
From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
Message-ID: <79e7d512-b9dd-47d4-a53f-41ff6e3da4b8@smxsrv01.vintek.net>
Source record: 4327
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2011-07-31.mp3
Text edition:

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you would expect to hear it being read back and NEVER send just links & url's.

DURING WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING July 31 2011.
We'll hear from WIA Director VK6POP along with further RD news
from our Remembrance Day Contest Manager VK4OD, so grab your pen and paper,
connect your earth wire to your trusty L1A2 bayonet, break a bit of C4 and
"brew up" as we present THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM
THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING JULY 31 2011.

First ever 24 GHz Digital Modes Record

On June 23, Alan Devlin VK3XPD and Colin Hutchesson VK5DK operated portable in
VK4, setting a new Digital Modes record for the 24 GHz band. The distance was
152.2 km.

New 3.4 GHz Digital Modes Record

On June 25, Mark Swannack VK2AMS and Neil Sandford VK2EI worked Alan Devlin
VK3XPD and Colin Hutchesson VK5DK, who were operating portable at the time in
northern VK2. This contact set a new national Digital Modes record for
3.4 GHz band. The distance was 161.6 km.

The full list of current VHF-UHF records is on the Records Update page of
the WIA web site, wia.org.au

This page also includes an updated list of all Australian VHF-UHF records since
1947.

(John VK3KM)

The Walcha Radio Group.

The Walcha Radio Group would like to thank all who donated to Jeff's Walk. They sent out some 250 letters to the people of the North West area of this state and got back almost $500.

Jeff is now well across VK5 towards the VK6 Border and donations to NETS are still most welcome.

Brian Kelly VK2WBK President of the Walcha Radio Group is justifiably proud of all his members, it's a small club with only 8 members who run three repeater sites with 5 repeaters plus 23cm on air soon!

(vk2wi news)

MAYDAY FAKE

SA Police have been inundated of late with radio calls for help which appear to be hoaxes, wasting time and resources for emergency services.

The Yorke Peninsula Country Times say calls have related to a range of fake emergencies and Yorke-Mid North Local Service Area operations manager, Senior Sergeant Gerry Nicholson, has warned officers will be investigating.

These include calls on either CB radio or marine radio creating the belief the caller is in dire straits and requires immediate assistance.

The response to the hoax calls has resulted in the use of large numbers of volunteer personnel, helicopters, marine vessels and other emergency services like police, SES, CFS and ambulance.

For the full report read the print edition of YPCT or Google Yorke Peninsula Country Times.

FADE TO BLACK

Digital fault plagues Brisbane's TVs

A digital transmission fault was the cause of woes for television stations and viewers across Australia's east coast Sunday last.

Channels Seven and Nine were unable to broadcast in Brisbane for nearly one hour after their digital feed from Sydney was cut at about 1pm however lovers of re-runs of I Love Lucy were not left in the dark, 9's "GO" channel stayed up.

Most stations could only transmit an error message to viewers from Brisbane to Hervey Bay and Sydney.

The feed continued to cut in and out during the afternoon, also affecting ABC, Channel 10 and 612 ABC Brisbane radio.

It is said that the original fault was with Telstra in Sydney but Nine said their backup satellite link out of Melbourne also failed at the same exact time.

And it's said that all over the country people slowly emerged onto the streets, blinking in the dawn of a new age! HiHi.

wIA DIRECTOR BOB BRISTOW VK6POP REPORTS:-

Congratulations to Phil VK6KPH. In July 2011, Phil, was recommended for a merit scholarship by Murdoch University in support of his research studies at the Western Australian School of Mines.

Phil has been a postgraduate student since 2007 and his research is now commanding global attention having been presented at peer-reviewed international meetings.

Phil is conducting research into high altitude millisecond electrical discharges that seem to originate in the mesosphere over regions of impending earthquake activity.

Discoveries in science often begin with a happenstance, and that's what set Phil on this research path.

Some time ago Phil was listening in his car to commercial radio in the amateur 2 metre band. Phil noted that 24 hours later a strong (M=5.9) earthquake hit Newcastle in New South Wales, Australia.

The recollection of the first event came when in October 2001 a similar anomaly was registered by him in Esperance, Western Australia, (even on the FM music band at 104.75FM) and 14 hours later the Earth trembled under Esperance (the epicentre was 200 km west at Ravensthorpe).

Having had 35 years experience as a radio amateur, TV electronics engineer, ex RAAF avionics technician and part time post trade industrial electronics teacher he started to record the suspicious signals using transceivers tuned to different frequencies, using many of the skill utilized by Amateur Radio enthusiasts.

Congratulations Phil on you ongoing research, and I wouldn't be surprised to see an article in a future edition of AR magazine about your work.

See the text edition of the news for a web link with more information.

Phil's work is in chapter 7 of this free pdf
www.fanarco.net/books/geology/Pulinets_Boyarchuk_Ionospheric_Precursors_of_Earthquakes.pdf

HOME OF THE GOOD GUYS

Pierce Healy VK2APQ coming up to his Centenary.

Pierce VK2APQ will be celebrating his 100th Birthday in mid August.

His family will be celebrating this milestone with a function Sunday the 14th of August. There will be more details in later bulletins.

(vk2wi news)

Lighthouses are the talk of the town

With more than 40 new entries in the past week, the 14th International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend in August is shaping up well indeed.

Among those which have gained media publicity are the Cape Leeuwin and Cape Naturaliste lighthouses. The West Australian newspaper reports that they are to be illuminated in recognition of seafarers over the years.

Similar things are happening elsewhere as greater attention is paid to these important heritage structures that once protected the coastline around the world.

Looking around Australia's coast we have record 59 entries. There's also good numbers from Canada, Chile, Italy, Holland, New Zealand, Portugal and the USA.

A further 20 each are expected from England, Holland and Germany. Among the others who are down on last year's totals so far are Argentina, Scotland and South Africa.

To keep track of the International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend, August the 20th and the 21st visit the website at illw.net which also has the online entry form.

More on ILLW with Felix later in this Bulletin.

To read the newspaper report:
http://au.news.yahoo.com/thewest/a/-/breaking/9861939/world-ready-to-honour-safety-beacons/

To read the latest on the ILLW visit:
http://illw.net/

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news

Trash & Treasure

Today, Sunday, the 31st is Trash & Treasure time at VK2WI. During recent weeks new items have been added to the store so check out the ARNSW website under disposals for some of the larger items.

The T&T got under way at about 9.30 am and during this morning exam assessments are available.

Candidates can advise they wish to partake by a phone call to 0400 445 829

Tim VK2ZTM says the BBQ will be lit for lunch and in the early afternoon the regular Home Brew gathering and lecture takes place.

(vk2wi news)

St. George Amateur Radio Society

The St. George Amateur Radio Society will be meeting next up on Wednesday night August Third in the usual venue, the 1st Kyle Bay Scout Hall, Donelly Park, Kyle Parade, Connells Point at 7:30pm.

Guest speaker will be Roger Harrison VK2ZRH who will be talking about George Taylor, (Of the WIA's GA Taylor Medal fame) and one of the early amateur radio experimenters of Sydney.

Amateur radio was only a small part of the George's life - come and hear the rest!

(vk2wi news)

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/
Police Roundup http://www.vicpolicenews.com.au/

The Amateur Radio Victoria Centenary

The centrepiece of the 100th celebration is an operating award. It runs throughout the period August the 1st through to November the 30th.

The rules and full details are now available under the Award section of the Amateur Radio Victoria website amateurradio.com.au

During the four-month celebratory period contact with members gains 2 points. A bonus ten points is available by working VK3WI during the Remembrance Day and International Lighthouse and Lightship weekends in August, and the Oceania DX Phone Contest in October.

Bonus points are also available for contacts with the Nominated VK100ARV special callsign to be rostered in November.

The Amateur Radio Victoria Centenary also involves the world's first DATV QSO Party emanating from VK3RTV and across the world, and November the 19th and 20th a number of Victorian National Parks will be on air.

Wherever you are, don't miss a chance to join in the celebration.
More in coming weeks.

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

VK4 - QNEWS
web service local audio news:- www.wiaq.com/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
local news email qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
VKR Roundup http://www.police.qld.gov.au/News+and+Alerts/Media+Releases/

Welcome to QNews from VK4WIA. I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP, and I've been thinking.

Long established on the amateur radio calendar is the Jamboree of the Air, now run in conjunction with the Jamboree on the Internet. This activity brings youth together via the capability of technology to share experience locally and globally.

Whether it is one amateur or a club contribution, there are the necessary preparations to undertake. Site, activities to be supported and equipment readiness all have to be addressed. This is the age of the touch screen and instant messaging and as interesting as CW and SSTV can be to the officianado we need to be both practical and up to date.

To this end, a discussion with the Scout Leaders who will be attending and a look at the various badge requirements may give some insight into appropriate presentations of the amateur radio activity.

Remember that glint in the eye when enthusiasm bursts through. We can all have it but it is good to share our enthusiasm with others. Members of the scouting movement are especially welcome during JOTA.

If you hear a voice in your mind saying "do your best" then remember the correct response is still to "do our best".

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think....how about you?

CLUBBING - TO SUPPLY NEWS ITEMS:-
email qnews@wia.org.au

Bunya Mts & District AmCom

Good morning/evening to all, I'm Neil VK4NF with greetings from the north western darling downs and south burnett.

The Bunya Mts & District AmCom Inc will be holding it's annual meeting on Saturday the 13th August at the Myall youth & community network centre, cnr of Drayton & Nicholson streets in Dalby.

Visitors will be most welcome, so take this opportunity to come early and check out the great shopping in Dalby, then join us at around the 1100 hrs for a chit chat, then we will have a BBQ lunch at around the 1230hrs, followed by the annual meeting at 1400hrs, and this will be followed with a general meeting.

It would be great to have your company. Thanks folks & happy days to all.

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This is Allan VK4FABR with news from the Ipswich and District Radio Club.

First up this week, the club's AGM last Monday elected a new president, Derek VK4MIA, following the announcement by outgoing president Mike VK4QS that in the near future his family will be relocating to Maryborough.

Former secretary Darrin VK4FVRX is back in the saddle, and John VK4IE is stuck firmly in the treasurer's chair. During the meeting several members expressed their sincere thanks to past president Mike for guiding the club through a period of rejuvenation and membership growth.

Last Sunday club station manager Rob VK4HW completed commissioning a new 70cm repeater - VK4RSM Spring Mountain - linked to the club's main 2m repeater VK4RAI at The Knobby. The project was started more than a year ago with the support of Ipswich City Council and Cr Paul Tully VK4FPGT. The wet summer put the project on-hold for several months, but the new repeater on 439.300 sprung to life around noon on July 24. Special thanks must also go to several club members who lent a hand with the installation on two separate days the previous

week.

I'm Allan VK4FABR.

North Queensland Amateur Radio Convention Fri 16 to Sun 18 Sept 2011

The 20th Bi-ennial North Queensland Amateur Radio Convention will be happening in Charters Towers from Friday afternoon 16th to Sunday afternoon 18th September.

The primary venue for Convention happenings will be the RSL Club in Prior Street Richmond Hill, Charters Towers.

Displays, Talks, Tours, Awards, Raffles, Prizes and some serious socialising will all be a part of the weekends proceedings.

Deadline for Registrations is at the TARC Management Meeting Tuesday 6th September.

(vk4zz)

VK6

F-troop

Onno Benschop, vk6flab tells us that they meet on repeater, VK6RAP, 147.000 MHz.

F-Troop isn't the old TV series of the American Wild West but a Net for the F-call licensees, also some times called "Foundies". As an aside the Summerland club in VK2 were arguably Australia's first F troop net.

WA's F-Troop sprang into life on Sunday 12 June 2011 courtesy of HARG member Onno VK6FLAB and by all accounts it has been a successful start, giving "F" calls an opportunity to get on the radio and be heard.

Onno runs this net at 8am every Saturday.

(harg website)

EDUCATION YOUTH AND ADVANCEMENT OF AMATEUR RADIO
www.hamcollege.com.au

Ham College 2011 Foundation Course Remaining Dates

Saturday & Sunday 17-18 September
Saturday & Sunday 19-20 November

Their regular venue is the Lynwood Scout Hall which is situated within the Whaleback Golf Course, Parkwood.

For people outside the Perth metropolitan area arrangements can usually be made for assessments to be conducted elsewhere, subject to the availability of a suitable venue and assessor commitments.

Port Stephens Amateur Radio Club has new Amateurs on the Air.

Back in June, the Port Stephens Amateur Radio Club conducted a Foundation weekend class and is proud to announce that they had Four successful candidates.

listen in the Port Stephens / Newcastle area for
Bruce VK2FKNN
Jarrod VK2FZRO
Stuart VK2FOOO and
Tony VK2FACK.

Please make these chappies welcome, to the wonderful and exciting world of Amateur Radio.

Proposed Jesmond Electronic Club.

Community Radio station 2NUR have been announcing this new club will be holding its Foundation meeting at the Jesmond Park Uniting church hall on the 4th August commencing at 2 pm.

Cost for the afternoon is $20.

Anyone interested, particularly in the Cessnock Jesmond area, please get along.

Kaitlyn Cole, KS3P named Amateur Radio Newsline 'Young Ham of the Year'

At age 11, Kaitlyn Cole, KS3P, of Harvest, Alabama, becomes the youngest person* ever to receive the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) 'Young Ham of the Year Award.'

But her lack of chronologic age is more than made up for by her selfless dedication to her community and the youth of Alabama through her chosen hobby/service of amateur radio.

On April 27, 2011, the Huntsville, Alabama area, including the small community of Harvest, was hit by a series of destructive tornadoes. The severe weather took a heavy toll in lives lost and property damaged. Electrical service was out for over a week. Kaitlyn and her father immediately volunteered to help with amateur radio relief activities. Kaitlyn began by logging contacts and running errands, but in short order took on the role of Net Control Station, working for many days from 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. With cellular and wireline telephone coverage being spotty to non-existent, Kaitlyn's duties as Net Control involved dispatching amateur radio operators with chainsaws (and other rubble clearance machinery) and debris pickup teams.

For her efforts, Kaitlyn received many compliments from veteran operators on the professionalism that she displayed during this crisis situation.

A straight-A student entering sixth grade this fall, the 11-year old also enjoys home-brewing and construction, and has posted on YouTube a video of herself building a QRP transceiver

(see http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_SK55sbxOj4 and related videos).

The 2011 Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) "Young Ham of the Year Award" will be presented on Saturday, August 20 th at the Huntsville Hamfest in Huntsville, Alabama.

As the 2011 "Young Ham of the Year," Kaitlyn will receive -- courtesy of Vertex-Standard -- an expense-paid trip to the Huntsville Hamfest, along with a gift of Yaesu brand ham radio equipment. CQ magazine will treat her to an expense-paid week at Spacecamp Huntsville, and will present Kaitlyn with a variety of CQ products. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) will provide Kaitlyn with a commemorative plaque at the award ceremony.

(* Note: The previous youngest recipient of the award was Mary Alestra, KB2IGG, in 1990 at age 12.)

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

YEMENI MAN PLEADS GUILTY IN HIGHJACKING THAT RESULTED IN THE DEATH OF 3 HAMS

A Yemeni man pleaded guilty to acts of piracy on Thursday, July 14th in connection to his role in the hijacking of a yacht off the coast of east Africa that resulted in the deaths of four Americans including three ham radio operators. Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP, has the details.

As previously reported here on Newsline, Scott Adam, K9ESO, and his wife Jean, KF6RVB, along with Bob Riggle, KE7IIV, and Phyllis Macay were on board the yacht Quest off the coast of Oman when pirates boarded their vessel on Friday, February 18th. Officials were in the process of negotiating for their release when gunfire was heard around 1 a.m. Eastern Time on Tuesday, February 22. United States forces responded and then boarded the Quest. It was then that they discovered that all four hostages had been shot by the high seas bandits. Despite immediate steps to provide life-saving care, all four hostages ultimately succumb to their wounds.

Now, one of the alleged pirates identified as 23 year old Mounir Ali has accepted a plea bargain by U.S. District Judge Mark Davis, where he plead guilty to taking part in the armed hijacking. Ali claimed that he and four other men from Yemen were crew members aboard another vessel that was pirated by Somalis earlier in February. But prosecutors say that Ali willingly elected to join the pirates in return for a share of the ransom money. However they also say that he did not personally shoot nor did he instruct anyone to shoot any of the four Americans.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP, in Scottsdale, Arizona.

Ali is the 11th person convicted in relation to the high jacking and murders of the four Americans on-board the Quest. Sentencing is scheduled for October 21st.

RADIO AMATEUR KILLED IN TOWER COLLAPSE ACCIDENT

A Hot Springs, South Dakota ham radio operator was killed and another seriously injured Saturday, July 16th. This after a communications tower they were helping dismantle was blown over by a gust of wind.

According to Fall River County emergency manager Frank Maynard, Tim Anderson, K0OR, died of his injuries at Rapid City Regional Hospital shortly after

arriving by Life Flight helicopter. The second man, Tom Embree, NC0K, also of Hot Springs, was also flown to Rapid City Regional Hospital where surgery was performed Sunday. He remains in serious condition.

The men were helping their amateur radio club remove a 110 foot high tower on the top of a near-by peak known as Gull Hill. The tower was no longer in use, and the owner had offered it to the radio club, which was going to move it to a new location.

News reports say that several other radio club members were on the ground at the time of the accident. They had taken down all but the final 30 foot section of the tower and were just beginning to release some guy wires when a gust of wind blew the tower over with the two men still on it and then collapsed on them.

Both Anderson and Embree are members of the Hot Springs Amateur Radio Club. Hot Springs is located about 60 miles south of Rapid City. At the time of his death, Anderson was the club's president.

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RSGB

Restrictive legislation for Belgium

The administration in Flanders has included radio amateurs in the restrictive Specific Absorption Rate, or SAR, Ministerial Decree of 26th January, aimed at telecom operators.

It appears that radio amateurs in Flanders will now have the same standards and obligations, fees and even the same fines or imprisonment for breaches as the telecom operators. Radio amateurs have to apply for a certificate of conformity for their station and, presumably, re-apply whenever the station configuration changes. This costs about 75 Euros and the amateur has to supply detailed information on the site and the antenna concerned.

More information online at http://tinyurl.com/BelgiumUBA.

French club's stolen radio kit recovered

The Radio Club of Provins would like to thank the amateur radio community for all the help and support during the recent theft of 20,000 Euros worth of DXpedition equipment.

A radio amateur is helping police with their enquiries following the theft. It was thanks to the network of radio amateurs that this sad event was resolved quickly. The equipment was recovered and will soon be on its way to PJ4C with the F6KOP team and some will be travelling with the MDXC team to 9N.

South Sudan added to CQ DX Award Countries List

The Republic of South Sudan is the newest addition to the CQ DX Award Countries List, number 342.

Verifications confirming contacts after 14th July 2011, which was the date of its admission to the United Nations, are acceptable for credit. No award credit is available for southern Sudan contacts made during the 1980s and 90s. In addition, South Sudan will count as a country, or entity, multiplier for the CQ DX Marathon, the CQ World Wide DX Contest and any other CQ contests that use country multipliers.

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WEIRD AND WONDERFUL

NEBRASKA

Prairie dogs get the blame for an internet and phone outage in western Nebraska.

Charter Communications say prairie dogs apparently chewed through some buried fibre optic cable, in Scottsbluff that there were hundreds of prairie dog mounds in the area, and it took time to find the cut and get it repaired.

Service was rerouted and repairs were completed about seven hours later.

www.ctpost.com/news/article/Prairie-dogs-blamed-for-phone-outage-in-Neb-1587884.php#ixzz1TASoTfep

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2011

Aug 13-14 WIA Remembrance Day Contest

Aug 20-21 WW I.L.L.W.

Oct 22 WIA Jack Files Contest

Nov 26-27 WIA Spring VHF-UHF Field Day

2012

January VK Ross Hull Memorial VHF UHF Contest

March 17-18 VK JOHN MOYLE MEMORIAL FIELD DAY

June Long Weekend (vk4 time) VK Shires Contest.

July First full weekend NZART Memorial Contest

31st July

Hello Listeners. I am peter Harding, VK4OD the WIA RD Contest Manager.

Today being the 31st July and, you have about 3 weeks to the commencement of this year's RD Contest.

In the past I have asked that when you send your log in either by Electronic or postal means please ensure that you have you correct postal address.

Anybody requiring any of the forms posted to them please contact me ASAP.

In the coming week I will finalize the Opening speech and send out a special email via the usual weekly news server you know, the

wiabroadcasters@yahoogroups.com

For those people that are hand writing their logs, " PLEASE" write your logs in a legible manner, as in the past some logs have been VERY HARD to decipher.

Until next week.

WINTER VHF-UHF FIELD DAY RESULTS

The Winter Field Day saw a good level of activity, although participation was down in some of the colder parts of the country!

An interesting feature is that three of the sections have been won by VK5 stations, and this time the rover section was dominated by VK2 stations.

The winners of the six sections were

Iain Crawford VK5ZD
David Minchin VK5KK
the Elizabeth Amateur Radio Club VK5LZ
the Blasco family station VK3ALB
Ross Keogh VK3MY and in the rover section there was a tie between

Dan Joyce VK2GG and Jack Swart VK2TRF.

Congratulations to all for braving the elements.

Full details of the Field Day are available on wia.org.au

The next VHF-UHF Field Day will be the Spring event, which will be held over the last weekend in November

(John VK3KM)

International Lighthouse Weekend Aug 20-21 2011

Hills Amateur Radio Group will be activating the North Mole Light House in Fremantle again this year for the 2011 ILLW.

Martin VK6ZMS says they will set up from 10am WST.

Please call in or CALL past and say hello.

wITH FURTHER ON THIS YEARS illw HERE IS vk3dq

Lino VK3EI and Myself John VK3DQ will be taking a team of eighteen amateurs to Cape Liptrap for the lighthouse weekend, The team will include amateurs from VK and ZL Operation will be from Bear Gully Coastal Cottages which is the closest venue to the lighthouse itself where activity is permitted, we will also have a static display at the lighthouse itself and weather permitting will man that display for a period during daylight hours. (Parks Victoria will not permit operation from their car park at the Lighthouse)

Our operation is registered as a three day event on the events calendar at The Amateur Radio Lighthouse Society and we will be active on Friday 19th through Monday 22nd August Using the callsign VK3BAD.

The station will consist of three operators on HF and one operator and VHF/ UHF voice , CW and digital modes will be used, and the station will operate for the entire period we are at the location.

So please make this event in your calendars, because as they say "Our operators are waiting to take your call" "

MEDIA WATCH
www.cq-amateur-radio.com/WorldRadio.html
VK Club Bulletins http://groups.yahoo.com/group/aarnie/

ABC Collectors to Feature QSL Collection

Friday night ABC1 from 8pm the 29th July the ABC collectors program will have a feature on the QSL collection of Martin Luther VK7GN.

Martin is a world-class contester and has an enormous QSL collection which will be featured on the Collectors program.

www.abc.net.au/tv/guide/abc1/201107/programs/FA1018T013D2011-07-29T200000.htm?program=Collectors

www.abc.net.au/tv/collectors/

Collectors is produced and edited in VK7!

The program is also repeated on ABC1 the following Saturday around midday.

Well worth a watch.

(73, Justin, VK7TW & Winston VK7WH)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ARDF
WIA ARDF COORDINATOR VK3WWW Jack vk3www@wia.org.au
http://users.mackay.net.au/~ron/
http://www.homingin.com
http://www.ardf.org.au

Sep 23-28 R3 Region 3 ARDF Championship Bendigo VK3
http://r3.ardf.org.au/

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

AMSAT-VK UNOFFICIAL HF Net.
2nd Sunday each month.
April through October 1000 UTC 3.685 MHz
November through March 0900 UTC 7.068 MHz

SUMBANDILASAT SO-67 Recovery Successful

SO-67 has returned to operation after recovery from a cosmic ray upset.

Operation over Australia, New Zealand, Japan has been planned until the 31st July.

There is no activation tone required so LEO satellite operation is now even easier.

The AMSAT-VK mailing list has been reporting many successful contacts made on passes over VK and NZ.

For more information about the activation schedule take a look at the website address on the email edition of this broadcast.

http://www.amsatsa.org.za/

(AMSAT News Service)

Vietnam Amateur Radio CubeSat video

Vietnamese students have produced a great video about Vietnam's new Amateur Radio CubeSat F-1.

The F-1 is an educational CubeSat to be launched into 320km circular, polar orbit in the first quarter 2012.

It will carry 2 independent transceivers using amateur radio 145 and 437MHz bands. The transmission speed will be 1200bps and higher using FM AFSK & GMSK modulation, AX.25, KISS protocol.

It will carry a low resolution C328 camera with 640x480 resolution.

The IARU satellite frequency coordination panel have agreed a downlink frequency of 437.485MHz.

Brazil's first Amateur Radio satellite

Brazil is preparing to launch the NANOSATC-BR. The design of the NANOSATC-BR is being developed by the National Institute for Space Research (INPE) and students of Federal University of Santa Maria (UFSM) of state Rio Grande do Sul in Brazil.

"The BR-NANOSATC will have two scientific instruments, a magnetometer and also a particle detector of precipitation for monitoring real-time geospatial, and the precipitation of particles in the magnetosphere disturbances on the Brazilian territory to determine its effects on regions such as the South Atlantic Magnetic Anomaly (SAMA, the English acronym) and the Brazilian sector of the equatorial electrojet.

This anomaly [SAMA] is a "failure" of the Earth's magnetic field in that region, which is about Brazil. As a consequence of this anomaly, there is a greater risk of the presence of particles high-energy region, which can affect communications, signals from global positioning satellites (like GPS), or even cause failure of electronic equipment such as onboard computers.

The INPE has been studying this anomaly for decades, including several researchers international reputation, which even took part in defining the mission and its payload. "

Launch is in November 2012.

Telemetry will be at 145.865 MHz 9k6 BPSK.

Control station will be PY3EB.

IARU Information:
http://www.amsatuk.me.uk/iaru/finished_detail.php?serialnum=209

(Piraj&#65533;, PS8RF)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- WESCUE WADIO
IARU REGION 3
Emergency Centre of Activity (CoA) frequencies
3.600, 7.110, 14.300, 18.160 and 21.360 MHz

Radios to the sound of Migaloo (the white whale) this weekend

As the news goes to air some radio amateurs in the Townsville region
have donned radio backpacks and put to sea to provide communications support
for the Magnetic Island to Townsville Swim.

They attended yesterdays Main Swim Briefing at the Choral Society Hall in
Sturt street and met with some of the swimmers and skippers that they would
be helping out.

Operators involved have included VK4s ZZ, FR, HSV, AAH and PVH at sea
and VK4s FTVL, UCM, FBLU and ZM manning Swim Base or shadowing various
officials keeping information flowing.

They faced a brisk and early start getting to their observation points and to
their mighty vessels to be in position in time for the start of competition at
9am. Competitors then faced the 8km swim back to the mainland under the
watchful eye of the radio amateurs operating the safety net with relatively
calm conditions ensuring some cracking quick times for the event. The swim is
expected to be completed by 12-30pm hopefully with the 58 solo swimmers and
15 swim teams making it safely back to The Strand.

(vk4zz)

SOCIAL SCENE

2011

Jul 31 VK2/3 Riverina Field Day 10am at Lavington Scout Group Hall.

Aug 7 VK2 Lismore region - SARCFEST

Aug 28 VK2 Blue Mountains amateur radio club's annual WINTERFEST
andrewvaughan230@gmail.com

Sep 11 VK3 SADARC Comms Day at St Augustine's Hall Shepparton 10am.

Sep 16-18 VK4 NQ Amateur Radio Convention Date Set Townsville

Sep 23-28 R3 Region 3 ARDF Championship Bendigo VK3
http://r3.ardf.org.au/

Sep 30-Oct 2 VK4 Central Highlands Amateur Radio Club AGM at Camp Fairbairn
CONTACT Secretary Gordon, (vk4kal@wia.org.au)

Nov 20 vk5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society Hamfest
Goodwood Community Centre, Rosa St Goodwood at 0930.

Visit www.ahars.com.au for contact details

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15TH IARU REGION 3 CONFERENCE hosted by V.A.R.C. in Ho-Chi-Minh City, Vietnam.

JAN 23-FEB 17 YEAR 2012
World Radio Conference WRC-11 Geneva 23rd January TO 17th February 2012

FEB 26 VK2 CCARC WYONG FIELD DAY

MAY 3-18 VK5 YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

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to submit audio read "how to submit items" in the weekly news page on wia.org.au

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being broadcast in the very next edition of WIA National News.

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Call-backs follow the RF editions, but also for text readers you may lodge a quick reply to let us know you read it, who knows, you might even get a "cheerio call".

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Vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
http://lists.wia.org.au/mailman/listinfo/vk1wia-news

688. MMMonVHF Newsletter 2011-07-28

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-28 09:52:04 UTC
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Source record: 4328
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Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our lastet NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2011-07-28
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter, once a week (thursday)
from now on - if any special activities will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further detail please be so kind and watch our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you vy welcome for any
input and we do hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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** NEWSLETTER of MMMonVHF **

You will receive the MMMonVHF Newsletter since several years and
we would like to request to get some more input from you, to make
it bit easier for the editor! The deadline for your News (pse use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php) to the weekly Newsletters
will be always wednesdayï¿½s 2359 UTC!
As well - PLEASE do NOT answer on the NEWSLETTER itself (noreply@)
These will be NOT read at all and goes direct into the bounce...
If you have any reply, please do use the link above or use the
call of the editor "at" MMMonVHF "dot" de to reach us... thank you!
SOURCE: Guy, DL8EBW, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

** AURORA / BIG SUNSPOTS **

After more than a week of quiet, solar activity is picking up with
the emergence of two large sunspot groups on the sun's northeastern
limb. The active regions are crackling with C- and M-class solar
flares. So far none of the eruptions has been squarely Earth
directed, but that could change in the days ahead as solar rotation
turns the sunspots to face our planet. For more do Visit
http://spaceweather.com for images and more information.
SOURCE: homepage of spaceweather.com

** Costas, SV1OE SK **

I am in the unfortunate position to report that SV1OE has passed
away at the age of 65 following his battle with the terrible disease.
We had the pleasure to be close prior to my moonbounce journey and
neighbors for 9 years. He was the first to pioneer from SV on EME,
in 1982 on 2m and in 1992 on 23cm. A homebrewer in the true sense
of the word 6m-3cm, loved to experiment on new projects. Assisting
amateurs, passionate with ham radio and courageous in life. In
memory, samples of his constructions: www.qrz.com/callsign/SV1OE
He will be surely missed, RIP Costas.
SOURCE: Jimmy, SV1BTR, via MoonNet

** MMMonVHF and DUBUS 144 MHz Meteorscatter-Sprint Contest **

The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF in cooperation with the magazines DUBUS
and Funk-Telegramm (by Joachim, DL8HCZ) invited you to take part in
our 144 MHz Meteorscatter Sprint Contest, which took place for the
first time in the 2008 Perseid shower. The 144 MHz Meteorscatter
Sprint Contest will take place each year on the day of the from IMO
(International Meteor Organization) announced maximum of the Perseid
shower. 2011 contest period: Date: 12./13. August 2011 Time period
for 48 hours: start 12.August 00:00hrs till end 13.August 2011
23:59hrs "UT" (End time of the last complete QSO) !! NEW !!
Reference data for 2011 by the IMO: expected Perseids Maximum 2011:
August 13th. 07:09UT with a expected ZHR of 100. Read all in detail
at the overview and rule page: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/ctest.php
SOURCE: Erwin, DK5EW, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: KH6 ; Square: BL02 ; Start: 2011-07-30 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3844

LATEST NEWS from Jeremy, W7EME, dated 2011-07-26: Aloha to all:
Please watch "Make More Miles on VHF" (MMMonVHF) for my updates.
I will be lunar from the old Kapa'a house this weekend (might not
be QRV Sunday only) and later next week BL02. I will be three days
(Monday through Weds.) where I was raised attending a wedding,
N. Kohala/Upolu Point, very Rare BL20 with my portable. I can
assure this has never been on the moon or to the mainland via
tropo. North Kohala was also the birth place of Kamehameha and I
will be offering a lovely QSL based on this fact. BL02 Kaua'i:
2x 17 element/8877/MiniCeptor wideband DSP Rx/WA2ODO ULNA
BL20 Big Island: 13 meter long Yagi/1kW SSPA/MiniCeptor wideband
DSP Rx/WA2ODO ULNA - The pile up on my end is always robust. No
need to spread out, just go for it. To help keep folks screwing
up, I will be simply using W7EME and the locator. Always second,
Tx always near 144.144. I may be using the the logger from BL02,

but not from BL20. My DT is always off, as I us it as a filter
to weed through the piled up screen. The DT is not that critical
as the software can easily manage it on your end. If you're not
decoding, you may be looking for the wrong grid. Adjust your
call files correctly...again at MMMonVHF will always have my
latest info. SOURCE: tnx to Jeremy, W7EME, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: 7P8 ; Square: KG30 ; Start: 2011-09-06 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3942

7P8 Lesotho from KG30UC on VHF (EME and MS) - The Expedition will be
dedicated to Dan HB9CRQ our main sponsor for many years
Team:7P8EME Pine ZS60B, 7P8BUN Dick 06BUN,7P8QRO Wynand ZS6ARF,
7P8PA Pieter ZS6PA & DL2NUD Hermann Equipment: IC-9100H,IC-910H,
IC-746Pro & IC-706 144MHz 4*XP20 ME 1500 V, 432 MHz: 4*22 EL K1FO
BEKO HLV 550, 50 MHz 6M5X ACOM 1000, 1296 MHz: 59 EL BEKO HLV 350.
Venue: Ramabanta Trading Post Lesotho
SOURCE: tnx to Pine, ZS6OB, direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** LA/SP7VC and LA/SP7IDX qrv from Vega Island JP65BQ **

Mek SP7VC and Waldi SP7IDX will be active as LA/SP7VC and LA/SP7IDX
from Vega Island EU-062 between 23.07-02.08.2011 Loc JP65BQ, Also
JP55 posible Activity will be holiday style (we also fisching). We
plans to use 2 stations .One for HF band second for the 50Mhz.
Operation will be 80-6m using ssb,rtty also in IOTA Contest. Our
equipment consist of: IC-746,ts-2000X ,HEX beam,R-7 vertical,
6el.yagi for 6m, PA 500W for HF and 6m.
SOURCE: tnx to Mek SP7VC and Waldi SP7IDX direct to MMMMonVHF

** ZB2, GIBRALTAR qrv HF, 2m and 6m **

Astronaut Edmondo,VA3ITA/IW0GVP, will be QRV as ZB2/VA3ITA from the
rock Gibraltar from Aug 8-11. Activity will take place in CW, SSB,
digital modes and via satellites only on 6m and 2m. Edmondo is also
willing to make skeds. More information and his e-mail address can
be found on QRZ.com. QSL via VA3ITA. SOURCE: DXNL 1738 (Jul 27, 11)

** ES4GP or ES4WK qrv from Vaindloo Islet **

Juri, ES5GP, will be active as ES4GP or ES4WK from Vaindloo Islet
(IOTA EU-149, WW Loc. KO39ET) and lighthouse (ARLHS EST-057, WLOTA

1142) between 27 July and 3 August 2011. Juri will also be active
in the RSGB IOTA Contest (30-31 July). QRV as follows: HF - 1kW,
spider beam 20-10m; windom 80-10m (SSB;DIGI). 6 metres - 500w
4 el. yagi (SSB). 2 metres - 100w 4 el. yagi (FM;SSB).
QSL via the ES bureau.
SOURCE: NG3K DX-News & [DX-ENG] ICPO Bulletin (22 - 29 July 2011)

** Alaska, KL7, Activity **

Yuri, N3QQ, and possibly others will be active as KL7RRC from Adak
Island (IOTA NA-039, USi AK008S, WLOTA 1258, WW Loc. AO11QS) starting
28th July and ending 3 August 2011, RSGB IOTA Contest (30-31 July)
included. If transportation is available Yuri will activate Kiska
Island (IOTA NA-070, USi AK197S, Grid Loc. RO81) Aleutians West,
from 6-12th of August. QRV on 40-6 meters using CW and SSB, from both
locations. QSL via N7RO for North America and via UA9OBA for Europe.
SOURCE: NG3K DX-News & [DX-ENG] ICPO Bulletin (22 - 29 July 2011)

** IOTA Activity - IJ7A / IJ7DX from EU-073 - JN80NK **

A group of Italian operators will be active as IJ7A from San Pietro
Island (Grid JN80NK)between July 29-31st. Operators mentioned are
Vin/IK7IMO, Roby/IK7VJX and Roberto/IK7XIV. The team will be active
on all HF bands except 160m using CW and SSB. The activity will also
include the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st) as a Multi-Op entry.
QSL via IK7IMO, by the Bureau or direct. For more datails and
updates, watch: http://ij7a.altervista.org/blog
SOURCE: [DX-ENG] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1020

** IOTA Activity - J45 / KM35 - DODECANESE **

SV5BYR, SW5KKR and a group from Crete will take part in the up
coming IOTA Contest as J45K from Kasos Island (EU-001, KM35kj).
They will work on HF, 6m/4m/2m and also 1,2 GHz starting on Jul 27.
QSL via SV9DJO and LotW. SOURCE: DXNL 1738 (Jul 27, 2011)

** IOTA Activity NA-126 as VX1D **

Operators Helen/VA1YL, Rich/VA1CHP, Bill/VE1MR, Lynn/VE1ENT,
Lowell/VY2OX, Bill/VE3NNQ, Al/VO1NO and Fred/VE1FA will be active
as VX1D from Bon Portage (Outer) Island (CISA NS-128) between July
26th and August 1st. This is a special event callsign issued to
commemorate the 150th anniversary of the first lighting of the Cape
Sable Island lighthouse in 1861. Activity will be on 80-6 meters
using CW, SSB and possibly RTTY. During the RSGB IOTA Contest
(July 30-31st), look for the team to use the callsign VC1D. QSL

both callsigns via VE1DHD. SOURCE: [DX-ENG] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin

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** Activity from South Sudan, ST0, KJ54TU also on 6m & 2m **

ST0R. Col, MM0NDX, EU Pilot for the DX Friends/Intrepid DX Group's DXpedition to the South Sudan, reports: "The Intrepid DX Group is meeting the DX Friends in Cairo on July 21st. On July 22nd, they all fly from Cairo to Juba, South Sudan. On July 23rd, they will meet with the Ministry of Communications to amend licenses to the new ITU prefix. They expect to be active later on July 23rd, or July 24th, until shut down on August 10th, 2011.
SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #1018
In past days the Team was qrv as well on 6m and have 2m for ES! (EBW)

** IL3A DX NEWS **

Dear Om, the Extreme DX& Contest Group, weather permitting, will be active as IL3A from La Certosa Island (IOTA EU-131, IIA VE-018, MIA MI-044), Venice Lagoon,on Saturday, 23 July 2011. Plans are to be QRV on 40 and 20 metre CW and SSB.Operators will include Nicola IZ3EBA, Stefano IZ3NVR, Alex IZ3NYS and Sergio IZ3NXC. QSL card via Mario IK3HHX, bureau or direct. Further information can be found at www.extremegroup.org/ orwww.qrz.com 73 at all!
SOURCE: Extreme DX& Contest Group via Reflector

** ID9/IK8YFU qrv from Stromboli Island **

Alex, IK8YFU will be active as ID9/IK8YFU from Stromboli Island (IOTA EU-017, IIA ME-016, MIA MI-109, WFF IFF-445, WLOTA 1996, Grid Loc. JM78) on 23-30 July 2011. He plans to be QRV on 40-10m as well as on 6m. QSL via home call and LoTW. SOURCE: 425 DX News

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** IM0P from San Pietro Island qrv HF and 50 MHz **

Operators IS0ANU, Daniele IS0BGL, Carlo IS0JOO, Nicola IS0BMU, Franco IS0EUJ, Giorgio IZ3KVD, Vittorio I1BUP, Antonio I1ZB, Claudio IZ1DNJ, Danio I5OYY and Simone IK5RUN will be active as IM0P from San Pietro Island (IOTA EU-165, IIA CI-009, MIA MIS-031, WLOTA 2989, WAIS FM10, Grid Loc. JM49) between 22nd July and 2nd August 11. This includes an Island DXpedition entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (30-31 July). Plans are to be QRV on 160-6 metre SSB, CW and RTTY. Depending on weather and sea conditions they will also operate from a number of nearby islands: Isola del Corno (EU-165, IIA CI-001), Isola Piana (EU-165, IIA CI-007), Isola dei Ratti (EU-165, IIA CI-008), Isola di Calavinagra (EU-165, IIA CI-011), Isola di Stea (EU-165, IIA CI-016), Isola Genia (EU-165, IIA CI-019) and Isola

Sant'Antioco (EU-024, IIA CI-010).QSL via IZ1DNJ.
SOURCE: NG3K DX-NEws and 425 DX News

** E2E qrv in the RSGB IOTA Contest 2011 from OK03JD **

HSDXA - Thailand DX Association - RSGB IOTA Contest 2011 - "AS-107"
HSDXA will be active during the RSGB IOTA contest 2011 from Koh
Srichang Island "AS-107", Chonburi, Thailand 30.07.2011 - 12UTC
until 31.07.2011 - 8UTC We will be active of all bands - 3.5/7/14/21
and 28 MHz - This will be the first activity after the loss of HS1CKC
SK Winit. He was a founding member of HSDXA and one of the pioneers
in HAMRADIO activities here in HS. RIP! GD DX and hope to see you
down the log! SOURCE: tnx to Swen, HS0ZFZ direct to MMMonVHF

** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
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** Many thanks to all our USER who did send us info and News **

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** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/kontact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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689. Re: KD8CTL GOT FAT

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-28 15:44:43 UTC
From: radio rambo <radiorambo@nomail.invalid>
Message-ID: <4e3184d2$0$9175$a8266bb1@newsreader.readnews.com>
Source record: 4329
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc

"kb9rqz" wrote in message

Does he still get kelp from mork?

690. Re: KD8CTL GOT FAT

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-28 15:48:28 UTC
From: radio rambo <radiorambo@nomail.invalid>
Message-ID: <4e3185b3$0$9254$a8266bb1@newsreader.readnews.com>
Source record: 4330
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc

"kb9rqz" wrote in message

No kelp?

691. Parts for Jack up Mast AB-952

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-28 18:09:51 UTC
From: Tom Horne <hornetd@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <05bf80b7-8113-4c65-9983-b9c05726de7d@x10g2000vbl.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4331

I have two AB-952 Military antenna masts. I was fortunate in finding a complete extension kit for one mast at Ontario Surplus. For some time I have been trying to complete the extension kit for the second mast. I had found three additional mast sections, an additional guy ring, an extension kit carrier, and some guy cables that were long enough. But I had to use carabiners and mullion links to attach the extra guys because they were from a different mast system. That still left me looking for quite a few parts.

I called Ben at Ontario Surplus again hoping he might have some augur anchors. He put me in touch with a part time surplus dealer in Maryland which is were I live and he is quite close to me. That dealer, Tim Clark, had a complete extension kit at a very modest price. He also has brand new accessories kits with brand new cables that would replace the worn cables on one of my masts. So I finally have two complete mast sets. These masts are very useful for field day, boy scout jamboree on the air, public service events, and the list goes on. The tubes are four inches across and the assembly is stout enough to support VHF beams and smaller HF beams. Since the entire assembly is aluminum they are light enough to carry some distance from a vehicle if the situation demands it.

That left only one challenge. The four inch tubes are too large for the mast clamps that come with most beam antennas. The original adapter that comes with the masts is offset in order to center the weight of the corner reflector antennas, for which they were originally designed, over the center line of the mast. When I tried to use them to attach beam antennas they carried the weight off center and caused binding of the mast during raising and lowering. A friend, who is an amateur machinist, made me two adapters that addressed the problem. The only drawback was that we had to cut the end off of a mast tube to get a lock on base for each of the adapters. Damaged tubes are available in the surplus market but being five foot long they are somewhat awkward to ship which raises their cost significantly.

While I was at Tim Clark's place picking up the new accessories kit and the extension kit I recognized some alternate antenna adapters that were designed to carry a dish reflector antenna. That antenna was added as an additional part to the radio system the masts were built for. I had only previously seen these in manuals. The dish adapters come straight up out of the mast coupling and reduce the size of the mast to two and a quarter inches (2&1/4"). That is well within the range of the clamps that most of the beam antennas come fitted with. Best features of these adapters is they are small, light weight,

easily shipped, do not require a machinist to produce, and relatively inexpensive. Tim still has several of those adapters, even after I immediately bought two, so if you are dealing with that adapter issue he can simplify the problem considerably. He also has quite a collection of other GI surplus some of which he is willing to part with at prices I think are quite low.

My only connection with Ben at Ontario Surplus and with Tim Clark is that they have been very generous with time and effort to help me complete these two masts at a price I could afford. If you could use their help Ontario surplus has a web sight that you can find with Google or another search engine. If you want to contact Tim Clark you will have to use email via [glengar comat verizon period net]. For those of you not familiar with the term "comat" it is a contraction of the words "commercial at" which is the name of the symbol that is used before the domain name and after the user name in email addresses. I'm just so glad to have finally completed this mast project that I wanted to share the information with others who might need it.

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Tom Horne, W3TDH

692. The ARRL Letter for July 28, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-28 20:14:44 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20110728181953.4687426C68D@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 4332
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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==> + PUBLIC SERVICE: NEW MEXICO HAMS PROVIDE COMMUNICATIONS SUPPORT
DURING WILDFIRES
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One month after it began, the Las Conchas Fire -- New Mexico's largest fire on record -- has burned more than 157,000 acres and is 90 percent contained. One day after it started, the fire threatened the Los Alamos National Laboratory, forcing the evacuation of the entire town of Los Alamos. During the evacuation, the Santa Fe ARES® Group placed itself on alert. The fire, which began on June 26, is believed to have been human set. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/new-mexico-hams-provide-communications-support-during-wildfires>.

==> + ARRL BOARD OF DIRECTORS GATHERS IN CONNECTICUT FOR 2011 SECOND MEETING

The ARRL Board of Directors held its Second Meeting of 2011 July 15-16 in Windsor, Connecticut, under the chairmanship of President Kay Craigie, N3KN. At the two-day meeting, the Board considered a number of reports and acted on several recommendations -- including proceeding with plans for a digital version of QST and planning for the League's Centennial Celebration in 2014 -- and Directors' motions. The ARRL Board of Directors meets twice each year -- in January and July -- usually in the Hartford area. Click here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-board-of-directors-gathers-in-connecticut-for-2011-second-meeting> for a detailed look at the 2011 Second Meeting of the ARRL Board of Directors.

==> FCC NEWS: ARRL ASKS FCC TO KEEP 2300 MHZ PROCEEDING OPEN

In June, the FCC released a Public Notice that sought comments on whether or not it should terminate approximately 800 docketed proceedings in the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, the International Bureau, the Office of Engineering and Technology and the Enforcement Bureau. Some of the proceedings set for possible termination affect the Amateur Radio Service. On July 20, the ARRL filed comments with the FCC on this matter, explaining that it has no objection to the termination of the proceedings in the Public Notice, save for one item. "With respect to the Office of Engineering and Technology dockets slated for termination," the ARRL stated in its comments, "there is one Amateur Radio-related proceeding that, in the ARRL's view, should not be terminated, but retained in open status." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-asks-fcc-to-keep-2300-mhz-proceeding-open>.

==> + AMATEUR RADIO IN SPACE: ASTRONAUTS ON BOARD ISS GET ARISSAT-1 READY FOR LAUNCH

The ARISSat-1 satellite -- also known as KEDR -- has spent several months aboard the International Space Station waiting for deployment by crew. According to the AMSAT News Service, that day is arriving soon. "As of July 22, we are looking at an August 3, 2011 date for EVA 29 and the ARISSat-1/KEDR deployment, subject to change due to ISS schedules," said ARISSat-1/KEDR Project Manager Gould Smith, WA4SXM. "The preliminary Russian EVA-29 timeline shows the ARISSat/KEDR deployment is the first task of the EVA, so it will occur fairly soon after the EVA begins." The ARISSat-1/KEDR battery was charged for 24 hours on July 24. A test of the satellite inside the ISS is scheduled to run from 1900 UTC on Saturday, July 30 and will be turned off at 1430 UTC on July 31. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arissat-1-test-and-launch>.

==> + ON THE AIR: THE BANDS HEAT UP FOR THE 2011 ARRL AUGUST UHF CONTEST

VHF/UHF weak-signal operators across North America are making final tests on their stations in preparation for the 2011 ARRL August UHF Contest <http://www.arrl.org/august-uhf>, scheduled for the weekend of August 6-7. Most VHF+ SSB/CW operation takes place on the two lowest-frequency bands of the VHF spectrum: 6 and 2 meters. But a lot of activity takes place above 144 MHz in the UHF portion of the radio spectrum and beyond. This contest will focus on 220 MHz and above and there will be lots of activity -- and hopefully lots of propagation, too! Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/the-bands-heat-up-for-the-2011-arrl-august-uhf-contest>.

==> + ON THE AIR: 2011 ARRL JUNE VHF QSO PARTY SETS RECORD FOR LOGS RECEIVED

The 2011 running of the ARRL June VHF QSO Party <http://www.arrl.org/june-vhf-qso-party> saw a record number of logs submitted. This year, 1243 logs were submitted for this contest, breaking the record set in 2010 of 1202 logs. "Six meters has been in excellent shape for the June VHF QSO Party for four of the past five years," explained ARRL Contest Branch Manager Sean Kutzko, KX9X. "It's clear that when the 'Magic Band' is in great shape at the start of the contest, we see more participation with more logs submitted. As a 6 meter fan, I hope this trend continues in the years to come."

With the exception of 2007, the ARRL June VHF QSO Party has seen upwards of 1000 logs submitted each year since 2006; in 2007, 860 logs were received, down from 1052 the year before. Kutzko said one of the contributing factors to the popularity of the contest is that more HF transceivers now include the 6 meter band: "When hams buy new HF rigs that include 6 meters, we see them having a go on the band -- sometimes for the first time, other times it's like revisiting an old friend from their past. These hams are having a blast on the band and it sure is contagious. When you add that to the improved propagation, it's no wonder we're seeing an upswing in the popularity of 6 meters."

==> + ARRL OFFICIAL OBSERVERS TEAM WITH FCC TO SOLVE ROGUE KEYER PROBLEM ON 17 METERS

On July 15, Walt Bilous, K3DQB -- an Official Observer in ARRL's Eastern Pennsylvania Section -- notified ARRL Headquarters of a keyer continuously sending a series of dits on 18.0855 MHz. According to ARRL Field and Regulatory Correspondent Chuck Skolaut, K0BOG, Bilous kept hearing the dits throughout the night.

Skolaut asked Bilous to alert other OOs to monitor the frequency, but the signal was proving hard to locate via direction finding due to changing propagation and fading conditions on the band. "We alerted OOs across the country to monitor and collect additional information for us including bearings and signal strength reports," Skolaut said. "We had a great response from quite a number of Official Observers." But the signal was still proving elusive, so Skolaut contacted the FCC for assistance. Read more here

<http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-official-observers-team-with-fcc-to-solve-rogu
e-keyer-problem-on-17-meters>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "Say my name, Sun shines through the rain
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=klMPhl7NJDg>" Cook, K7RA, reports:
Sunspot activity dipped over this past week, but now is on its way back
up. On July 20, five sunspot groups were visible, but on July 21, only
groups 1251, 1254 and 1259 remained. On July 24, new sunspot group 1260
appeared, but the next day group 1251 disappeared. On July 26, groups
1254 and 1259 went away, and new sunspot group 1261 arrived. The next
day, another new group, 1262, appeared. The average daily sunspot
numbers for the week July 21-27 declined nearly 47 points -- a little
more than 50 percent -- to 45.6. The average daily solar flux declined
more than 6 points to 91.8. The latest forecast shows the predicted
solar flux at 100 on July 28-29, rising to 105 on July 30-31, 110 on
August 1-3, and then dropping back to 95 on August 4-7. It also shows
the planetary A index at 5 on July 28-30, 12 on July 31-August 1, and
7, 5, 8 on August 2-4, followed by 12 again on August 5-7. Geophysical
Institute Prague predicts quiet conditions on July 29, quiet to
unsettled July 30, unsettled July 31 and August 1, then quiet to
unsettled August 2 and quiet again on August 3-4. Look for more
information on the ARRL website on Friday, July 29. For more
information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical
Information Service Propagation page
<http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad
Cookism" is brought to you by The Bangles' Eternal Flame
<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Eternal_Flame_%28song%29>.

==> + SOCIAL MEDIA: ARRL LAUNCHES ONLINE FORUMS

To assist League members in communicating with one another and with
ARRL staff on topics of common interest, the ARRL has established three
forums -- Contesting, Awards and Technology -- on the ARRL website.
Visit www.arrl.org/forums <http://www.arrl.org/forums> to chat with
fellow hams about these topics. Additional forums are planned once we
have gained some experience with these three. ARRL members, guest users
and others can view the threads, but in order to participate in the
conversations or ask questions, you must be logged in as an ARRL
member. All users should read the forum rules
<http://www.arrl.org/forum/home/rules> before participating.

==> THIS WEEK ON THE RADIO

This week:

- July 29 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- July 30-31 -- RSGB IOTA Contest; US Counties QSO Party
- July 31 -- ARS Flight of the Bumblebees
- August 2 -- ARS Spartan Sprint

Next week:

- August 5 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- August 6 -- TARA Grid Dip Shindig; European HF Championship
- August 6-7 -- ARRL UHF Contest; North American QSO Party (CW); 10-10
International Summer Contest (SSB)
- August 7 -- RSGB RoPoCo CW; SARL HF Phone Contest
- August 10 -- NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint
- August 10-11 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest
Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update
<http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest
Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more
information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out
the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page
<http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- July 29-30 -- ARRL Oklahoma State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/oklahoma-state-convention-ham-holiday-2011>,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
- August 5-6 -- ARRL Texas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/texas-state-convention-austin-summerfest-1>,
Austin, Texas
- August 5-7 -- ARRL Rocky Mountain Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/rocky-mountain-division-convention-1>,
Taos, New Mexico; ARRL Midwest Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/midwest-division-convention>, Cedar
Rapids, Iowa
- August 20 -- ARRL West Virginia State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-virginia-state-convention-1>,
Weston, West Virginia
- August 20-21 -- ARRL Alabama State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/alabama-state-convention-huntsville-hamfest>,
Huntsville, Alabama
- August 21 -- ARRL Kansas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/kansas-state-convention-1>, Salina,
Kansas
- August 28 -- ARRL Western Pennsylvania Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/western-pennsylvania-section-convention-1>,
New Kensington, Pennsylvania
- September 9-11 -- ARRL Southwestern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southwestern-division-convention-hamcon-2011>,
Torrance, California
- September 11 -- ARRL Great Lakes Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/great-lakes-division-convention-findlay-hamfest
>,
Findlay, Ohio
- September 17 -- ARRL Roanoke Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/roanoke-division-convention-virginia-beach-hamf
est>,
Virginia Beach, Virginia

- September 24 -- ARRL Washington State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/washington-state-convention-35th-annual-spokane
-hamfest>,
Spokane Valley, Washington

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693. Re: Hollywood looking for a Telefax machine

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-28 20:16:28 UTC
From: dave <dave@dave.dave>
Message-ID: <4e31c398$0$12509$bd467cd0@news.dslextreme.com>
Source record: 4333

On 7/26/2011 7:54 PM, Jim Haynes wrote:
> I remember there were once some hams using old Western Union Desk-Fax
> machines.
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> Here's a message received by one of my friends.
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> Hello,
> My name is Montgomery Pollack, I own a motion picture prop house in Los
> Angeles, CA. I am on the hunt for a 1970’s working Telefax machine for a
> film we are working on right now. Do you have such an item or do you know
> where I can locate such an item.
> Any information would be helpful.
> Thank you so much for your time.
> Monty
>
> Montgomery Pollack
> Vice President
> The Hand Prop Room LP.
> 5700 Venice Blvd.
> Los Angeles, CA. 90019 [maps.yahoo.com]
> monty@hpr.com
> www.hpr.com [www.hpr.com]
>
>
> tel:
> fax:
> 323-931-1534 [www.plaxo.com]
> 323-931-2145
>
> He attached a picture of the common Desk-Fax machine.
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>
Ask Hunter Thompson. Bill Murray shot one in a movie about 20 years ago.

694. SEXY HOT PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-29 04:30:30 UTC
From: SAMARA <jaidatta9247@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <5cd41458-cf69-4efd-9dbd-3f3444dd9127@g3g2000prf.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4334

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KATRINA KAIF RARE PHOTOS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/07/katrina-kaif-wallpapers.html
TAMANNA HOT SEXY PHOTOS & VIDEOS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/07/tamanna-wallpapers.html
PRANITHA LATEST BEAUTIFUL PHOTOS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/06/about-pranitha-praneetha-is-beautiful.html
KAJAL AGARWAL HOT SEXY PHOTOS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/05/kajal-agarwal.html
KATRINA KAIF IN BEAUTIFUL RED DRESS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/05/katrina-kaif_22.html

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PRIYAMANI SPICY PHOTOS IN COW GIRL
http://allyouwants.blogspot.com/2011/02/priyamani-spicy-photo-shoot-cow-girl.html
KAJAL HOT PHOTOS IN SAREE
http://allyouwants.blogspot.com/2011/06/kajal-very-spice-pics.html

695. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2011-020E - OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR / BOOKKEEPER

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-29 07:51:34 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4E32661A.9000400@rac.ca>
Source record: 4335
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2011-020E - OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR / BOOKKEEPER
2011-07-29

OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR / BOOKKEEPER (1 yr contract - possible extension)

Radio Amateurs of Canada is a not-for-profit membership association with headquarters in Ottawa, Ontario, Canada. It is a national organization, representing the interests of amateur radio all across Canada. Speaking on behalf of Canadian radio amateurs, RAC provides liaison with government agencies and carries the amateur voice about regulatory and spectrum issues to the discussion table with government and industry leaders, nationally and internationally. RAC is the Canadian voting member society of the International Amateur Radio Union, (IARU). RAC also provides many services, publications and supplies to its members to enhance their enjoyment of amateur radio.

Duties and Responsibilities:

General office duties including, but limited to:

- Handling incoming and outgoing mail
- Responding to telephone and email inquires from members, advertisers and vendors
- Processing membership renewals into a database
- Process monthly renewal reminders
- Maintain various sponsor programs
- Ensuring book store inventory levels are maintained to ensure sales
- Ordering office supplies
- Full bookkeeping cycle including, but not limited to:
- Accounts Receivable - processing and mailing invoices to customers in accounting software for merchandise orders, advertising revenue,
- Accounts Payable - processing vendor invoices and make payments through e-commerce and/or cheque as required
- Monthly deferred revenue, accrued liabilities and prepaid entries
- Reconcile banks, credit cards and e-commerce accounts
- Analyze and record revenue in accounting software
- Input payroll and remit monthly source deductions, quarterly WSIB
- GST/HST quarterly remittance
- Weekly bank deposits
- Maintain tidy and accurate files

Qualifications and Requirements:

- Completion of College - focus in Accounting or equivalent work experience (Minimum 5 years)
- Minimum 3 years experience with Quickbooks, including using the "class" for coding and listing
- Complete understanding of deferred revenue accounting and accrued liabilities
- Must be organized and detail oriented
- Ability to work with minimal supervision
- Must be able to take weekly deposits to the bank
- French would be considered an asset
- Please send CV with covering letter and salary expectations to racgm@rac.ca. We thank all applicants; however only those selected for interviews will be contacted.

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696. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1772 - July 29 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-29 09:00:19 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20110729090006.3A59033C7D@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4336
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1772 - July 29 2011

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1772 with a release date of
Friday, July 29 2011 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a QST. ST0R in the South Sudan comes on the air and
illuminates the world of amateur Radio; ARISSat One is made ready for
deployment from the International Space Station, Portugal to give its
hams the full 6 meter band next April, and 11 year old Kaitlin Cole,
KS3P, is named the Amateur Radio Newsline 2011 Young Ham of the Year.
Find out more on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1772 coming
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ON THE AIR: ST0R TAKES TO THE AIR FROM THE SOUTH SUDAN

Huge pileups are reported for the ST0R DXpedition to the world's newest
independent country of the Republic of the South Sudan. Online DX News
site dxcoffee.com says the group expects to be on the air on all bands
between 160 and 6 meters, operating mostly in CW, with occasional
shifts to SSB and RTTY. Heres a sample of their SSB operation as
recorded in Aosta, Italy at 19.18 UTC on 25th on 14.145 MHz and
uploaded to YouTube by Radio Chris Italy:

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20 meter audio. Hear it by downloading the MP3 audio file at
www.arnewsline.org.

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ST0R is also active on the WARC bands. Ryan Jairam, N2RJ, of Wantage,
New Jersey, caught them on 17 meter SSB the evening of Tuesday, July,
26th:

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17 meter audio. Hear it by downloading the MP3 audio file at
www.arnewsline.org.

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The newly-established Republic of South Sudan is also the latest
addition to ham radio DX awards lists. It was added to both the ARRL's
DXCC list and the CQ Countries list as of July 14, its admission date

to the United Nations.

The ST0R DX operation is slated to continue through August 10th. We will have more DX related news later on in this weeks amateur Radio Newsline report. (CQ Newsroom, N2RJ, RadioChrisItaly, others)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: ARISSAT-1 MADE READY FOR DEPLOYMENT FROM ISS

If all goes as planned, Arissat One should be on-orbit by Wednesday, August 3rd. Jeremy Boot, G4NJH, of the RSGB News is here with this update:

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AMSAT satellite ARISSAT-1, currently aboard the International Space Station, has had a checkered history.

As previously reported, it was not deployed in February as originally planned. A further date in July also came and went.

The RSGB understands that it will now be tested within the ISS on 30th and 31st of July, the weekend of the AMSAT-UK Colloquium. It is planned to monitor the tests from the Colloquium using the facilities of GB4FUN.

The satellite will probably transmit its standard 2 meter band-plan, centered on 145.938MHz. All being well it will be hand-launched from the ISS on Wednesday the 3rd of August.

I'm Jeremy Boot, G4NJH, and you are listening to the Amateur Radio Newsline.

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We will have more on ARissat One in next weeks Amateur Radio Newsline report. (AMSAT-UK)

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RESTRUCTURING: PORTUGAL TO GIVE HAMS 50 to 52 MHz NEXT APRIL 4

The National Communications Authority of Portugal has accepted a proposal filed to it by CT1DHM and CT1FBF to amend the upper range limit on the 6 meters band effective April 4th 2012. That coincides with the date of the complete switch-off of the analogue TV broadcasting transmissions and changeover to digital terrestrial television. The new limits of the band allocation for Portugal will be from 50 to 52 MHz once analog television disappears from that spectrum. (CT1ETL)

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RESTRUCTURING: SLOVAKIA HAMS GET NEW 5 MHZ CHANNEL

OK1RP reports that Radio Amateurs in Slovakia have access to a single channel in the 5 MHz or 60 meter band. Stations in Slovakia can use the channel ranging from 5.2585 to 5.2615 MHz with a maximum power of 100 Watts Effective Radiated Power. A special permit is required to operate in this new band sliver. Licenses are valid for 1 year from the date of issue which is the same as found in the Czech Republic. Further 60m information can be found on-line at 60mband slash blogspot dot com. (OK1RP, Southgate)

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RESTRUCTURING: NETHERLANDS HAMS GET 70 MHZ BAND AND TEMPORARY 500 KHZ BAND

Hams in the Netherlands now have access to bands at 500 kHz and 70 MHz. This after the Dutch Minister of Economic Affairs, Agriculture & Innovation issued a Decree on July 6 changing the National Frequency Plan.

The revised bandplan shows an amateur service bands at 501 to 505 kHz that will remain available until January 1st, 2014. It also shows a new allocation from 70.0 to 70.5 MHz that has no time limit. More on this restructuring in the Netherlands is on-line at tinyurl.com/NetherlandsGazette20110706 (VERON)

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ENFORCEMENT: DOMESTIC U.S. 17 METER INTERFERENCE RESOLVED

According to W3ON via the Ohio Penn DX newsletter the Morse transmissions heard on 18 point 085 MHz over the last several weeks are gone. This thanks to the quick action by the FCC's Enforcement Bureau taken in response to several complaints including one from the ARRL and another from him.

According to an e-mail that W3ON received from the FCC's Laura Smith, the errant C-W signal was traced to a transmitter operating in the state of California. The FCC visited the radio site, and the transmissions ceased. Smith's note to W3ON stated that the transmissions were found to be inadvertent butr no further details were furnished.

W3ON says that he is glad to find that the FCC does react to requests sent by e-mail. He says that in his case that he received an E-mail within a few hours from Smith that her agency was investigating the incident. (OPDX)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the WB3ERZ repeater serving South Central Pennsylvania.

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KAITLYN COLE, KS3P, AGE 11, NAMED 2011 AMATEUR RADIO NEWSLINE YOUNG HAM OF THE YEAR

Amateur Radio Newsline's Young Ham of the Year Judging Committee has announced that Kaitlyn Cole, KS3P, of Harvest, Alabama, has been chosen as this years award recipient. Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, is here with the details:

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WA6ITF: "You are the 2011 Young Ham of the Year.

KS3P: "Oh my god.thats so awesome."

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That's a very surprised Kaitlyn Cole, KS3P, of Harvest, Alabama, who at age 11 learns that she is the youngest person ever to receive the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) "Young Ham of the Year Award." But her lack of chronologic age is more than made up for by her selfless dedication to her community and the youth of Alabama through her chosen hobby/service of amateur radio.

This past On April 27, the Huntsville, Alabama area, including the small community of Harvest, was hit by a series of destructive tornadoes. The severe weather took a heavy toll in lives lost and property damaged. Kaitlyn and her father immediately volunteered to help with amateur radio relief activities. Kaitlyn began by logging contacts and running errands, but in short order took on the role of Net Control Station, working for many days from 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. With cellular and wireline telephone coverage being spotty to non-existent, Kaitlyn's duties as Net Control involved dispatching amateur radio operators with rubble clearance machinery and debris pickup teams. For her efforts, Kaitlyn received many compliments from veteran operators on the professionalism that she displayed during this crisis situation.

Kaitlyn is also Assistant Section Manager for Youth Activities in the ARRL Alabama section. In this role, she visits many hamfests where she speaks to other young hams. Kaitlyn has also volunteered her services the past three years at the ARRL Expo Youth Lounge at the Dayton Hamventionc and ran a special event operation to honor the local Volunteer Fire Department in her hometown.

The daughter of Stanley, NX3P, and Amy Cole, Kaitlyn joined the amateur radio fraternity at the tender age of 8. She passed her Technician exam in September 2009, her General in October 2009, and her Extra Class this past January 3rd. Since being first licensed, Kaitlyn has participated in many amateur radio activities, with a special emphasis on the public service and the youth activity aspects of the hobby.

The 2011 Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) "Young Ham of the Year Award" will be presented to Kaitlyn will be honored on Saturday, August 20th at the Huntsville Hamfest in Huntsville, Alabama. Kaitlyn will receive --courtesy of Vertex-Standard -- an expense-paid trip to the Huntsville Hamfest, along with a gift of Yaesu brand ham radio equipment. CQ magazine will treat her to an expense-paid week at Spacecamp Huntsville, and will present Kaitlyn with a variety of CQ products. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) will provide Kaitlyn with a commemorative plaque at the award ceremony. The cost of the plaque is once again underwritten by Dave Bell, W6AQ, President of DBA Entertainment Inc., Hollywood, California. Heil Sound Ltd. will also be presenting Kaitlyn with a ham radio related gift.

With the honor of making this announcement about a very fine young radio amateur who is a true asset to the hobby and her community, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the Newsroom in Los Angeles.

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This year's award ceremony will be hosted by Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, of Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), Rich Moseson, W2VU, and Chip Margelli, K7JA, of CQ Communications, along with representatives of corporate underwriters Vertex-Standard and Heil Sound. (ARNewsline(tm))

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ENFORCEMENT: FBI ARRESTS MEMBERS ALLEGED DDOS GROUP

The FBI says that it has arrested a total of fourteen individuals thought to belong to the hacking group Anonymous. This, for their alleged participation in a series of distributed denial-of-service or DDOS attacks against PayPal last year.

According to the indictment unsealed by a Federal court in San Jose, California, the 14 individuals who were arrested were all members of Anonymous who conspired to attack PayPal last December in retaliation for its perceived opposition to WikiLeaks. The defendants, all of whom are in their 20's or early 30's, were arrested on no-bail arrest warrants in a series of raids on July 19th in Alabama, California, Colorado, the District of Columbia, Massachusetts and five other states. Two other individuals were also arrested on what the FBI said were related cyber-crime charges. (Published News Reports)

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RADIO LAW: MORE INFORMATION ON LIGHTSQUARED VS. GPS REVEALED

A federal report documenting GPS interference by the proposed LightSquared satellite and terrestrial broadband network has been released and because of it the National Telecommunications and Information Administration has recommended that the project remain on hold until the problem is solved.

In its findings, the NTIA said that it supports a recommendation that additional tests be performed. It also recommends that the FCC

continue to withhold authorization for LightSquared to commence commercial operations until all the available test data can be analyzed and all valid concerns have been resolved.

As previously reported, the interference issue started to vex LightSquared soon after it started testing its system. In response, LightSquared filed a modified operational plan with the FCC on June 30th that also took issue GPS receiver quality. The company noted that GPS receivers do not adequately reject adjacent-band interference and should be made to do so per FCC rules.

In response, an EXCOM test concluded that GPS receivers could be modified to reject interference, but that it would be impractical to do so. This is because it would require significant modification or complete redesign and replacement of GPS equipment currently in use. The report concluded that the timeline to develop new GPS receivers for some applications, from initial concept development through production, can take between 10 to 15 years. (B&C)

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HAM RADIO ON THE WEB: ARRL STARTS NEW ON-LINE FORUMS

The ARRL has established three forums on its website that it says is to assist League members in communicating with one another and with ARRL staff on topics of common interest. The topics of these discussions are contesting, awards and technology. To take part, simply take your web browser to www dot arrl dot org slash forums. The ARRL says that it's planning to create additional forums on other topics once it has gained some experience with these first three. (ARRL)

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HAM RADIO ON THE WEB: RADIOWAVES - THE MOVIE

Radiowaves is the title of a short film about amateur radio in Ireland. Produced by Tony Flynn, it features Thos Caffrey, EI2JD, and Anthony Murphy, EI2KC operating Dundalk Amateur Radio Society station EI0W as well as erecting antennas and discussing the various aspects of the hobby including contesting. The eight minute film also tells the story of two ham radio friends and how the hobby is a part of both of their lives. It can be viewed on line at ei7dar dot com stroke video985 dot html. (Southgate)

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THE SOCIAL SCENE: W9DXCC CONVENTION SEPT 16 - 17 IN ELK GROVE ILLINOIS

The 2011 W9DXCC DX Convention will be held on Friday and Saturday, September 16-17th, at the Holiday Inn in the Chicago suburb of Elk Grove Village, Illinois. This year's programs includes presentation on the VP8ORK South Orkney and CY0 Sable Island operations as well as a program dealing the new 11 tower contest station at K9CT. Complete details and registration forms are available on line at www.w9dxcc.com.

(W9DXCC)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: N8RUJ RECOGNIZED FOR HIS EMCOMM DEDICATION

Some names in the news. First up is Ed Young, N8RUJ, who has been recognized by the Shelby Michigan Township Board of Trustees for his decade and a half of volunteer services as part of the Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service. For the past 15 years Young has been the point of contact between the amateur radio community and Shelby Township emergency management personnel. He job was to ensure that the township had backup emergency communication via an amateur radio program. (The Source, eHam)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: WALLY GREEN VK6WG TO CELEBRATE HIS 100th BIRTHDAY

And congratulations to Wally Green, VK6WG, of Albany, Australia who turns 100 this August. According to the WIA News, Wally is still going strong in the microwave experimenting area. The WIA News adds that the August issue of Australia's Amateur Radio Magazine will feature VK6WG on its cover. (WIA)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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RADIO REMEMBRANCES: HELP COMMEMORATE 911

A reminder that this coming September 11th will be the 10th anniversary of the al-Queda backed terrorist attacks on September 11th of 2001. Attacks that felled the two World Trade Center tower buildings in New York City and damaged the Pentagon when radical Moslem extremists high-jacked four United States flag carrier jetliners and crashed them into the two structures and killing over 3000 American citizens.

Over the years there have been several ham radio operations in remembrance of those whose lives were lost in this senseless and wanton carnage. With this being the first decade anniversary of the September 11th, 2001 tragedy, we are trying to compile a list of radio clubs and individuals who are planning any form of ham radio memorial operation to honor those whose lives were lost that day. If you have plans to commemorate 911, please drop us an e-mail to newsline at arnewsline dot org and let us know all of the details. We in turn will list as many

as we can on our website at www dot arnewsline dot org.

Those whose lives were lost on 911 deserve to be remembered. We will do our part by providing web-space to list ham radio commemorative activities. It's up to you to do the rest. (ARNewsline(tm))

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: FORD TO ELIMINATE CD PLAYERS FROM ITS VEHICLES

Call this a sign of the times. According to news reports, the Ford Motor Company is eliminating CD players in its new United States vehicle models and opting to instead install USB sockets for iPods and other digital music players. Ford notes that all of its new cars will have a computer hub, which will allow drivers to access their music libraries from the Internet. (Published news reports)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: BRAZIL ANNOUNCES NANOSATC-BR HAMSAT

In ham radio space related news, word that Brazil is preparing to launch its first amateur radio satellite to be known as the NANOSATC-BR.

The NANOSATC-BR is being developed by the National Institute for Space Research and students of Federal University of Santa Maria. It will have a cross-band transponder with an uplink on UHF and a downlink on VHF. Its telemetry beacon will transmit at 145.865 MHz using 9k6 BPSK.

In addition to the ham radio payload, BR-NANOSATC will also carry two scientific instruments. One is a magnetometer while the other is a particle detector of precipitation. It will be used to monitor real-time precipitation of particles in the magnetosphere above Brazil.

The BR-NANOSATC project is receiving support from the Amateur Radio Association Santamariense. The call sign for the satellites ground control station will be PY3EB. More is on-line at tinyurl.com/brazil-hamsat. (Southgate, PS8RF)

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WORLDBEAT: DONATIONS BRING REPEATER VANDALIZED IN IRELAND BACK ON THE AIR

Ireland's Limerick 2 meter repeater on 145.725 is back on the air once again. This after being off due to vandalism at the repeater site.

The repair involved installing a new run of hardline coax from the repeater to the antenna. Also, a new security door was installed on the repeater site building.

The repairs were made possible through donations received from hams all across Ireland for which ythe Limerick club says that it is sincerely grateful. (IRTS)

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WORLDBEAT: HCJB GLOBAL SAYS 5000 SOLAR POWERED RADIO SENT TO AFRICA

HCJB Global has announced the near-completion of its major effort to bring its broadcasts to thousands of listeners throughout Africa. The campaign began last fall when HCJB partnered with Moody Radio to publicize the need for the funds to purchase, program and distribute 5,000 SonSet Radio solar-powered radios to missions in Ghana.

As it turned out, the program brought in enough money to acquire an additional 2,000 radios to be delivered to missions in Sierra Leone and Burkina Faso. Additionally, 2,500 radios were recently shipped directly from the manufacturer to ministries in the Asia Pacific region. This included 1,000 to Indonesia, 1,000 to Thailand and 500 to Nepal.

The SonSet Radios are rugged, moisture-resistant handheld models featuring solar power-charged batteries and individual buttons for five fixed-tuned settings. The radios are programmed, tested and repackaged at the HCJB Global Technology Center before distribution. (Southgate)

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DX

In DX, VA3ITA will be on the air August 8th to the 11th portable ZB2 in a VHF only operation from Gibraltar. Operations will be on 6 and 2 meters using a mix of digital, SSB and CW from the east side of the Rock, facing the Mediterranean Sea. Please check his qrz.com page for the latest news and email him directly to schedule a contact. QSL direct via home call either direct or via the bureau.

PA6NH, the contest team of North Holland, will be active during the RSGB IOTA contest held on to be held July 30th and 31st. Their operation weill take place from Texel Island using 100 watts into simple antennas. More on this operation is on-line www.pa6nh.com.

WB6OJB will be on the air as 7P8JK from Lesotho between September 15th to the 22nd. While mno other information was given, during his last Lesotho operation he was on the High Frequency bands from 40 to 10 meters using mostly SSB with some CW. QSL direct to his home callsign.

Members of the Jersey Contest Group will be active as GJ2A from Jersey Island during the Radio Society of Grreat Britain's Islands on the Air Contest. If you work them, QSL via Logbook of the World or direct to GJ3DVC.

PB2JJ will be active as 9H3JN from Malta between September 2nd and the 14th. Operations will be on 80 through 10 meters mostly CW but with the bpossibility of some SSB. QSL this operation alson via his home callsign.

EA3PT will be active stroke EA6 on Menorca Island between August 8th and the 21st. This operation will be holiday style meaning that he

will be on the air as he feels the need or as time permits. Bands announced are 40 through 10 using SSB only. QSL via Logbook of the World or by paper QSL to his home callsign.

Lastly, KF8UN will be in Peru until August 16th. He will be active stroke OA4 and says that he plans to work 20 meters with particular emphasis all day on August 8th. At other time he too will be operating holiday style. QSL via his home callsign.

Above from various DX news sources

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THAT FINAL ITEM: SPY VS. SPY - 20th CENTURY STYLE

And finally this week how many of you remember the old "Spy Vs. Spy" comic in Mad Magazine. Well here's something that reads like its right out of that genre. Its a story about the Internet foreign intrigue that will leave you smiling and maybe wanting something sweet to eat. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bruce Tennant, has the story of the spies that got hacked by food:

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According to published news reports, British spies successfully hacked into an al-Qaida website to replace instructions on how to build a bomb with - ready for this? Recipes for making cupcakes.

Nope, we are not kidding. The cyber offensive reportedly took place last year when the English language magazine aimed at Muslims in the West called Inspire was launched by supporters of al-Qaida in the Arabian Peninsula.

British intelligence officers based at the Government Communications Headquarters which is the state eavesdropping service, attacked the 67-page magazine, leaving most of it garbled. Instead of being able to read how to "Make a Bomb in the Kitchen of Your Mom," readers were greeted with computer code which actually contained recipes from The Best Cupcakes in America, published by U.S. talk show hostess Ellen DeGeneres.

The Washington Post reported that the British action followed a dispute between the CIA and the newly formed U.S. Cyber Command. The cyber unit had wanted to block the al Qaeda magazine but the CIA, which had countered such an attack, would expose sources and intelligence methods, won the debate and declined to allow an attack on Inspire. So the U-K did it for them and reports say that it took almost two weeks for magazine to post a corrected version after it had been sabotaged.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bruce Tennant, trying not to laugh to hard as I read this from Los Angeles.

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An unnamed British security source said the Washington Post report was accurate but could not confirm details of the reported cupcake operation. (Various published news reports)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB, the Southgate News and Australia's W-I-A News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is Newsline (at) arnewsline (dot) org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California, 91350

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Jeff Clark, K8JAC, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 31st July 2011

The news headlines:

* Slovakian amateurs gain 5MHz band

* Will 800MHz 4G signals interfere with TV?

* Islands On The Air contest active now

Slovakian amateurs have been given access to the 5MHz frequency allocation for experimental purposes. OM stations can use the band from 5.2585 to 5.2615MHz with a maximum power of 100W ERP. Licences are valid for 1 year.

Ofcom has extended the period for consultation on proposals for technical licence conditions for the award of 800MHz and 2.6GHz spectrum. The new closing date for responses to this consultation is 11 August 2011. Whilst not strictly related to amateur radio, there is an EMC concern. The new 800MHz 4G signals will fall within the bandwidth of masthead preamps and TV tuners, adding to an already complex mixture for TVI complaints.

This weekend sees amateurs around the world involved in the Islands on the Air contest. Until 1200UTC today you can expect to hear some unusual island stations on the air. Many will be using their own callsigns outside the contest hours. Operation is in the 3.5, 7, 14, 21 and 28MHz bands. All radio amateurs in the British Isles are automatically operating from an island and so will be keenly sought by others overseas who are taking part in the contest.

Following a request from a club, the graphs from the RSGB Survey are now available as a PowerPoint presentation. This means it is now possible to show the results to a group, with the presenter using the original PDF file as their presentation notes. The files can be downloaded at www.rsgb.org/survey.

Starting today, 31st July, a GB2RS news reading for the South of England is being re-introduced on 3640kHz at 9am local time. A team of five news readers will take turns with this schedule each Sunday. They will read the National news plus regional news for the South East, East Anglia and the South West. At around 9.30 the reader will seek reception reports during an after-news net, which may QSY to a nearby working frequency. On-air reception reports will be very welcome.

AMSAT-UK has made available a free PDF of the Spring 2011 edition of their newsletter, OSCAR News. It contains reports on four UK CubeSat projects currently being developed. There is also news of new South African CubeSats and details of the telemetry on ARISsat-1, currently scheduled to be deployed from the International Space Station on Wednesday 3 August. A printed copy of OSCAR News is posted to members each quarter. Read the Oscar News PDF at www.uk.amsat.org, just follow the new and renewing members tab. With only a few weeks to go to the International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend on 20 and 21 August, a total of 290 entries have been received, but many more are expected before the event. So far this year 13 Lightships are entered, mainly from Belgium, England, Germany and the USA. There's also one each in the Netherlands, Sweden and Wales. Since 1998, the event has attracted more than 440 entrants, from some 50 nations. More information is at www.illw.net.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

This weekend, 30 and 31 July, the AMSAT-UK Space Colloquium takes place in the Holiday Inn, Guildford, postcode GU2 7XZ. There is a wide ranging lecture programme, which will also be streamed at www.batc.tv. RSGB Amateur Radio Manager Carlos, G0AKI will be on site with GB4FUN. Details at www.uk.amsat.org.

Horncastle Summer Rally will take place today, Sunday 31 July, in the Horncastle Youth Centre, Willow Road, Horncastle, Lincolnshire LN9 6DZ. Doors open at 10.30am and admission is £1.50. Information can be obtained from Tony, G3ZPU on 01507 527835.

King's Lynn ARC Rally & Car Boot will take place on 7 August at Gaywood Community Centre, PE30 4DZ. Doors open at 10am and admission is £1.50. There will be trade stands and a car boot area. Details from Ray, G3RSV, on 01553671307.

The Lorn Radio Amateur Rally will be held on 7 August at Crianlarich Village Hall, Crianlarich, near Oban, postcode FK20 8QN. Doors open at 10am and there will be trade stands and a Bring & Buy. Details from GM0ERV by e-mail to stewart.mciver@btinternet.com.

Now for the news of special events

Hull & District Amateur Radio Society and RAFARS are setting up a special event station at a veterans weekend today, 31 July, held at East Park, Holderness Road, Hull. GB2VET will be on the air, using HF, VHF & UHF and D-Star. There will also be a display of vintage WW2 radio equipment.

Pontefract & District Amateur Radio Society is operating a GB0YD for Yorkshire Day on 1 August. Operated from the Club's shack with the Yorkshire flag flying from the mast, they intend to talk at all amateurs £ whichever side of the Pennines they are located.

GB2SAH is the special event callsign operated by members of the Felixstowe & District ARS in conjunction with the Suffolk Aviation

Heritage Group. On 31 July the station will be operating from the Suffolk Aviation Heritage Group's display centre at Kesgrave, Suffolk, as part of the Military Heritage Weekend. The station will use both military and amateur radio equipment as well as making good use of the impressive communications towers on the site.

On 1 August, MI0RYL will be activating Scrabo Tower, Newtownards on the HF bands, propagation allowing. The site is at Locator io74dn and is being activated as part of the Castles and Stately Homes on the Air Programme.

On 3 August, MW6GWR will be activating Graig Fach Goch, an Iron Age hill fort, as part of the Castles and Stately Homes on the Air Programme. The hill fort is at an elevation of roughly 675ft. On 7 August a few amateurs in the Morecambe Bay area are putting a special event station on for the Heysham Classic Car Rally. They are trying to show the fun of amateur radio to a new audience. So if you're in the Morecambe area, please feel free to drop in or contact them on air. They will be operating 2m and HF between 10am and 4pm.

And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

Ian, G4FSU will be active again as OH/G4FSU from Emsalo Island, which is IOTA reference EU-097, until 10 August. He will be making an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest. QSL via his home callsign either direct or via the bureau.

NQ6K will be active as stroke VY0 from Devon Island in the Canadian High Arctic until 5 August. The crew will be primarily using 20, 15 and 10 metres running PSK31 and RTTY and possibly SSB. Other bands will also be used depending on propagation. Please see www.devon2011.nq6k.org for current frequency updates and contact information.

EA3QS, IZ4AKS, IW3SQY, IZ8GCE and IT9YVO will operate as TY1KS from Benin from 5 to 14 August, on all bands, with three Elecraft K3s and two Elecraft KPA500 solid state amplifiers. They will focus on the lower bands and digital modes due to the high demand for those from Benin. They will also be on SSB on the higher bands, especially during trans-equatorial propagation openings. QSL via IZ8IYX.

Axel, DL7VEA will be active as OZ7VEA from Bornholm Island, which is IOTA reference EU-030, until 5 August, including a 12-hour entry in the IOTA Contest. QSL via DL7VEA, bureau preferred.

Now the contest news

Over the years, Islands On The Air has become the RSGB's flagship contest. These days it attracts over 2000 entries worldwide. Casual participants are likely to pick up some new countries and serious entrants will make thousands of QSOs in the 24 hours, although there are also 12-hour sections for single-op stations. The IOTA Reference is part of the exchange; the one for mainland Britain is EU-005. All the

IOTA references can be found on the internet at www.logiciel.co.uk/iota/shtlist/europe.html. Operations start at 1200 on the 30th, although some of the island DXpeditions will be using their own callsigns during testing in the days leading up to the contest. Using the bands 3.5 to 28MHz on CW or SSB, the exchange is signal report, serial number and IOTA reference.

2 August sees the 144MHz UK Activity Contest taking place from 1900 to 2130UTC. Using all modes, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The first weekend of the month is definitely one for low power enthusiasts. The action on Saturday 6th begins with the fourth 2m Backpacker Contest from 1100 to 1500UTC. Overlapping with the final hour is the144MHz Low Power Contest from 1400 to 2200UTC. In each of them you exchange the usual information, but also the first two letters of your postcode. Single letter postcodes are padded out to two letters, see the RSGB Yearbook or www.rsgbcc.org for a full list. Also on 6 August, the 12-hour European HF Championship takes place. QSOs within Europe are the only ones that count for points. Exchange a signal report and a two-digit number corresponding to the year in which you were first licensed. There are CW only, SSB only and mixed mode sections for high and low power stations.

The 432MHz Low Power Contest takes place on 7 August from 0800 to 1200UTC. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number, locator and the first two letters of the postcode.

Also on 7 August is the 2nd RoPoCo event. It's a 90-minute Sunday morning event from 0700 to 0830UTC. You really need to be on your toes to do well, because the rolling exchange of postcodes (PC) is a real challenge. This is the CW leg, the SSB leg having taken place in April.

And now the solar factual data for the period from the 18th to the 24th of July, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on the 25th of July.

The period started with eight sunspot groups visible, most were small and stable. However, one of these groups produced the only C class solar flare, which lifted activity to low levels on the 18th. The remainder of the period saw activity at very low levels. Solar flux levels declined from 102 units on the 18th to 86 by the 24th. The average was 95 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 24th was also 95 units, that's two units down on last week. X-ray flux levels declined from B2.4 units on the 18th to B1.4 by the 24th and the average was B1.9 units. Due to a recurring coronal hole geomagnetic activity was at unsettled levels from the 19th to the 22nd. The most disturbed day was the 20th with an Ap index of 19 units. The only quiet day was the 24th with an Ap index of 4 units. The average was 11 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds increase from 360 kilometres per second on the 18th to 750 by the 21st. Speeds then declined to 400 kilometres per second by the 24th. Particle densities were low except for a brief increase to 13 particles per

cubic centimetre on the 18th. Bz varied between minus 8 and plus 10 nanoTeslas during the disturbance and between minus 4 and plus 6 nanoTeslas on the quietest day.

And now the solar forecast. This week the quiet side of the Sun is expected to be rotating out of view. Even today an active region could be rotating into view over the Sun's south east limb. Solar activity is expected to be very low to low for most of the week. Solar flux levels should be on the increase and be in the high 90's or even slightly above the 100 mark, a lot will depend on the active region mentioned above. Slightly easier to forecast is the geomagnetic activity, which is expected to be unsettled today and maybe tomorrow, and again by next weekend. Both disturbances are the result of recurring coronal holes. However, the midweek period should be at quiet levels. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 19MHz for the south and 16MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows are expected to be about 12MHz. Paths this week to the east coast of North America should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 17MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate should be about 13MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 1900 and 2300 hours. The path will probably open earlier but levels will consequently be lower. Sporadic-E is expected to take place on some days.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your

transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS On Monday 1 August South Birmingham Radio Society is having an open meeting and putting the shack on the air. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Tuesday 2 August Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a junk sale. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 2 August Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club is discussing the rally. Contact Chris, M0MFP, on 01507 442 240.

On Tuesday 2 August Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is having a portable night on air at Humble Lane near Sileby. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Wednesday 3 August Lincoln Short-Wave Club is putting G5FZ on the air. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Wednesday 3 August Midland Amateur Radio Society is having a general meeting, training classes and putting the shack on the air. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 01214 229 787.

On Wednesday 3 August South Birmingham Radio Society is having a lecture in the main hall. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Wednesday 3 August Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a committee meeting at Stafford Park. HQ is closed. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday 4 August Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is closed. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Thursday 4 August Hucknall Rolls Royce Amateur Radio Club is holding a 10km fox hunt at 7.15 from the club car park at Hucknall. More information from Dave Wilde, G1YAI, on 08444 355 593.

On Friday 5 August Coventry Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on planning expeditions by Chris Colclough, G1VDP. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

On Friday 5 August South Birmingham Radio Society is having a construction evening. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Saturday 6 August Lincoln Short-Wave Club is in the shack, putting GB2CWP on the air. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356. On Saturday 6 August Mid-Warwickshire Amateur Radio Society is having a Club Field Day from 10am. Details from Don, G4CYG, on 01926 424 465.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND On Monday 1 August Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on therapeutic toy making by Gordon Leesley, G4WEC. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 1 August Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. Details on the web at www.tcars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 2 August Chester & District Amateur Radio Society is closed. Details from Barbara Green on 07957 870 770.

On Tuesday 2 August Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society continues its Foundation and Intermediate courses and, weather permitting, will be erecting a temporary aerial and getting on air. Contact Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341 317.

On Wednesday 3 August Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is holding a fox hunt. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Thursday 4 August Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is encouraging its Foundation licensees onto the air. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 07876 085 631.

On Thursday 4 August South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is clearing the shack. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Thursday 4 August Wakefield & District Radio Society is having a barbecue at HQ with Jason, 2E0RNR. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563 117.

On Friday 5 August East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is holding a technical forum. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Friday 5 August Tynemouth Amateur Radio Club is operating, holding discussions and offering Morse training. Contact Bob, M6KLO, by email to mail@g0nwm.com.

On Saturday 6 August Wakefield & District Radio Society continues its Foundation and Advanced licence courses from 13:30. Details from David, G4CLI, on 07748 221 855.

On Sunday 7 August Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the CW RoPoCo contest. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND No news items have been received for Northern Ireland this week.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday 2 August Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club evening. Details from Norman, on 07740 946 192.

On Thursday 4 August Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is holding a junk sale. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663.

On Friday 5 August Borders Amateur Radio Society is holding an open meeting. Members please note the change of date. More information from Danny, 2M0CDO, on 01890 882 850.

On Friday 5 August Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club is having a normal club night. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA On Sunday 31 July Coalhouse Fort Amateur Radio Society is having a classic vehicles meeting. Contact John Parker, M1DUC, by email to coalhouserad1o@yahoo.com.

On Monday 1 August Braintree & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on VLF and LV by Roger, G3XBM. For more information contact John, M5AJB, on 01787 460 947.

On Monday 1 August Burnham Beeches Radio Club is having a pub meeting. Contact Dave, G4XDU, on 01628 625 720.

On Monday 1 August Southdown Amateur Radio Society is meeting at Chaseley. Details from John, G3DQY, on 01424 424 319.

On Monday 1 August Surrey Radio Contact Club is having a fix-it, advice, chin wag and move-it-on evening. Contact John, G3MCX, on 02086

883 322.

On Monday 1 August Verulam Amateur Radio Club is holding a committee meeting. Details from Tony, 2EOWAP, on 01727 853 087.

On Tuesday 2 August Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Tuesday 2 August Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is holding its constructors competition. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Wednesday 3 August Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is having a general meeting and CW training session. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday 3 August Southdown Amateur Radio Society is operating at the Hailsham Shack. Details from John, G3DQY, on 01424 424 319.

On Wednesday 3 August Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a discussion evening. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816 684.

On Thursday 4 August Cray Valley Radio Society holding a planning meeting for the 2012 event from 8pm at Progress Hall, Admiral Seymour Road, Eltham. Details from Bob, M0MCV, on 02082 657 735 after 8pm. On Thursday 4 August Horndean & District Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night and social evening. Contact Stuart, G0FYX, on 02392 472 846.

On Thursday 4 August Horsham Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on repairing vintage radios by David Smith, M0SXD. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk.

On Thursday 4 August Verulam Amateur Radio Club is having a social evening from 7.30pm at the Queens Head, Sandridge. Details from Tony, 2EOWAP, on 01727 853 087.

On Friday 5 August Crystal Palace Radio and Electronics Club is holding its summer barbecue. Contact Bob, G3OOU, on 01737 552 170., g3oou@aol.com

On Friday 5 August Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a radio night and table top sale. Contact Peter, G4AKG, on 01444 239 371.

On Friday 5 August Wey Valley Amateur Radio Group is having a club night. Details on the web at www.weyvalleyarg.org.uk.

On Friday 5 August Wimbledon & District Amateur Radio Society is having a barbecue at its summer camp. Contact Andrew Maish, G4ADM, on 02083 353 434.

On Saturday 6 August Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Saturday 6 August Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society commences its weekend event, taking part in the RSGB VHF/UHF Low Power Contest.

More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Saturday 6 August Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society is holding its summer get-together at the Rainbow and Dove, Hastingwood. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 02085 021 645.

On Sunday 7 August Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is spending the afternoon operating SSB as GB100MWT from the Marconi Hut, Sandford Mill. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Sunday 7 August Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its breakfast meeting in Goring. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816 684.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST On Tuesday 2 August Blackmoor Vale Amateur Radio Society is having a VHF evening. Contact Tony, G0GFL, on 01258 860 741.

On Tuesday 2 August West Devon Radio Club is having a natter night and open evening. Further information from Jules Cuddy, M1AGY, on 01752 291 588.

On Wednesday 3 August Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is holding a pedestrian fox hunt with Peter, G4OST. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Wednesday 3 August Trowbridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night and a committee meeting. Details from Ian, G0GRI, on 01225 864 698, evenings and weekends. On Thursday 4 August Cornish Radio Amateur Club is having a talk on Photoshop by Ian Williams. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844 939.

On Thursday 4 August South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is holding its summer table top sale. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

On Thursday 4 August Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having an activity night. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Thursday 4 August Yeovil Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on ATU design by G3MYM. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk.

On Friday 5 August North Bristol Amateur Radio Club is having a construction evening. More information from Dick on 01454 218 362.

On Friday 5 August Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES On Monday 1 August Dragon Amateur Radio Club is holding a barbecue and social evening, weather permitting. More information from Stewart Rolfe, GW0ETF, on 07833 620 733.

On Tuesday 2 August Wrexham Amateur Radio Society is having a build night. More information from Patrick, 2W0HUU, on 07947 701 927.

698. Re: get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-29 16:27:24 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <2ef9909e-e2c8-410f-a7b5-5b277c6355a4@k27g2000yqn.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4338
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Jul 24, 6:16 pm, kb9rqz <m...@kb9rqz.com> wrote:
> On Jul 24, 2:55 pm, "radio rambo" <radiora...@

699. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-29 18:44:05 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <12b74048-b948-4511-9c3d-d880ba866937@e15g2000yqd.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4339

On Jul 29, 12:30 am, SAMARA <jaidatta9

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700. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1021

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-29 21:16:52 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <292695.11419.qm@smtp101.sbc.mail.mud.yahoo.com>
Source record: 4340
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** EDITOR'S SPECIAL NOTICE: This week's bulletin was sent out earlier than normal to accommodate the late RSGB IOTA Contest announcements. Also, we wanted to provide the readers with a consolidated listing of the RSGB IOTA Contest participants.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Saturday, 23rd-July, through Friday, 29-July there were 218 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5R, 5T, 5U, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A3, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J3, J6, J7, JA, JD/o, JT, JY, K, KH0, KH2, KH4, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, ST0, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T32, T5, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V8, VE, VK, VK9L, VP8, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZD9, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

CE0Y, EASTER ISLANDS. Frank, I2DMI, will be active as CE0Y/I2DMI from
Easter Island (SA-001) between July 30th and August 8th. Activity will
be on 80-10 meters, including 17/12 meters, using mostly RTTY. Suggested
frequencies are: 3582, 7038, 14082, 21082, 24922 and 28082 kHz. QSL
via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. Log will be uploaded
to LoTW and eQSL. For more info and online log, visit:
http://www.mdxc.org/ce0yi2dmi

CT9, MADEIRA ISLANDS. John, IZ2DPX, will be active as CT9/IZ2DPX from
the CR3L Santana station <http://www.cq3l.de/viewpage.php?page_id=? 1>
on the Island of Madeira (AF-014) between August 7-21st. Activity will
be on the HF bands and possibly 6 meters. QSL via his home callsign by
the Bureau or direct to IK2DUW. Log available at:
http://ik2duw.altervista.org/iz2dpxmadeira.html

IOTA NEWS (Remember the RSGB IOTA Contest is July 30-31st).....
IOTA CONTEST -- Complete details and can be found at:
http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2011/riota.shtml

AS-014. Members of the Royal Omani Amateur Radio Society will be
active as A43MI from Masirah Island during the RSGB IOTA
Contest (July 30-31st). QSL Manager for this activitiy is
A47RS.

AS-066. Vlado, UA0LCZ is now active as UA0LCZ/P from Popova Island
and plans to be in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st).
Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via
his home callsign.

AS-102. Koh, JH3GCN, is now active as BW9/JH3GCN from Kinmen Island
and plans to be in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st).
QSL via his home callsign.

AS-147. Yoshi, JJ8DEN, will be activating the following islands
around the Hokkaido coastline as JJ8DEN/8:
July 28-29th - Rishiri Island
July 30-31st - Rebun Island
August 1-2nd - Rishiri Island
August 4-5th - Teuri Island
August 6-7th - Yagishiri Island
Activity will be on 40-6 meters (if possible, 160/80m) using
CW, RTTY, PSK31 and JT65A. Sorry, no satellite. This schedule
might be cancelled without notice due to sea conditions.
QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct.

EU-040. Operators Jorge/CT1BOL, Joaquim/CT1DZR, Marco/CT1EAV, Jose/
CT1EEB, Antonio/CT1ENV, Tony/CT1FFU, Antonio/CT1FJL, Joel/
CT1HXB and Mino/CT1IZW will be active as CR5B from Berlenga
Island between July 29-31st; during the RSGB IOTA Contest.
Outside the contest, operators will use their own callsigns/P
on all bands including the new 60m band. Authorized 60m band
frequencies (CW/SSB) in Portugal are: 5288.5, 5371.5 and
5403.5 kHz. QSL portable callsigns to their home callsigns.

QSL CR5B via CT1BOL.

EU-162. Nick, RA1QQ, will once again be active as RA1QQ/1 from Malyy Island and the Kandalakshskiy Lighthouse (RRA RR02-07, WLOTA LH-0768, ARLHS ERU-162, RLHA RLE-104, RDA MU-05) between July 28th and August 10th. Activity will include an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st). There is a possibility that Nick may visit other islands and lighthouses. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-186. Operators from the Turkish IOTA Contest Team will be active as TC0G from Gokceada Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st). QSL via TA3TTT.

NA-045. Keith, K5ENS, is now active as XF1/K5ENS from Isla Mujeres until November 14th. Activity will be holiday style, but he will try to be on the air as much as possible. Watch for him on or near 14260 kHz most evenings. He has also been on 20 meters BPSK31. Keith also mentions that he is in operating distance to activate ARLHS MEX-139. He is using an Elecraft K3 w/100w with a N6BT Bravo-7K portable antenna custom built by Tom Schiller for Keith's special needs on this island. QSL via his home callsign direct or by LoTW, and eQSL. See QRZ.com for more details.

OC-227. YL Lyn, VK4SWE, a resident of Sweers Island, plans to be active during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st). QSL via direct or eQSL.

J2, DJIBOUTI. Jacob, KB0ZIA, is now active as J28FJ from Djibouti City until the spring of 2012. He informs OPDX that he is "kinda new to the whole DX thing" and "this going to be a learning experience for him as this is the first time ever he has operated outside of the U.S." He is currently set up to work 40-10 meters, but he may do some changes later. Jacob will be working mostly SSB but may work some Digital later if he receives some other equipment. He is now using a Yeasu FT-857D and a ATAS-120. He plans to make a special QSL card for his stay in Africa. QSL via his home callsign.

JT, MONGOLIA. Seihachi, JA7LU, will be active as JT1LU from Ulaanbaatar between August 1-7th. QSL via JA7LU, by the JA Bureau or direct to: 2-5-9, Kaga, Kashiwa-shi 277-0051 Japan.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (August 1-7th)....
Aug 01 AN SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS
Aug 02 AN --------------------
Aug 03 AN BN - Below Normal
Aug 04 AN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Aug 05 AN LN - Low Normal
Aug 06 HN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Aug 07 HN-AN DIS - Disturbed
VDIS - Very Disturbed

GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

LX, LUXEMBOURG. Following their successful 2011 DXpedition to Jersey, members of the "Low Land DXpedition Team" (LLDXT) are now planning a trip to Luxembourg. Operators Ronald/PA3EWP, Jo/PA9JO, Dennis/PA7FM and Alex/PA1AW will be signing LX/homecall between August 30th and September 6th. Activity will be on all modes and all bands between 160-2 meters using several yagis and monoband antennas. The team is willing to accept activity requests reflecting the demand for LX worldwide. More details are available on their Web sites at: http://lx2011.lldxt.nl
--or-- http://www.cqfriends.com/user.asp?username=lx2011
This DXpedition is supported by CQFRIENDS.COM, the new InterNet community for radio-amateurs. QSL all callsigns via PA1AW.

LZ, BULGARIA. Operators Laci/HA0HW, Tomi/HA4DX and Ivan/LZ1PJ will travel throughout Bulgaria from the Serbian border to the Black Sea area and will spend their holiday south of Burgas between August 6-21st. On their route they will stop in different Bulgarian National Parks and will try to operate for few hours from each place. Laci and Tomi will sign LZ/homecall. During their second week, they will make a side trip to one of the EU-181 IOTA islands (Sveta Anastasia Island or Sveta Ivan Island). All operations will take place mostly on 40/30/20/17 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via the operators national QSL Bureaus or to theirs QRZ.com addresses.

N3, UNITED STATES (911 Special Event). Look for special event station N3U/Flt93 (N3U/United Flight 93) to be activated once again between September 8-15th, to remind "Amateur Radio Operators World-Wide" of the tragic events that happened near "Shanksville (Pa), New York City nd Washington DC on September 11, 2001." This year's activity will take place during 10th anniversary and the Memorial Dedication for the victims of United Flight 93. QSL N3U/Flt 93 via W3PN, by the Bureau or direct (Please include SASE and enough return postage. If additional postage is needed...your QSL will be returned via the BUREAU). For more details, QRZ.com.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated July 29th)

4J7WMF via RX3RC II8JC via IQ8BB SV8/HA6NL via HA6NL
5Q2T via OZ0J IM0/DL2RMC via DL2RMC SV8/HA7JJS via HA7JJS
8P9XC via DF1XC IT9/OE5JKL via OE5JKL SX8R via HA0NAR
9A/HA5AZZ via 9A3JB LA/SP7VC via SP7VC TK/I5KOV via I5KOV
9M2/KM9D via OM2SA MW0REN via DJ6OI TM2BI via F6KPQ
DP3LUNA via DK1PM OZ/DK4MX via DK4MX UP80NR via UN7LAN
EO2011U via UT7UU OZ/DL4FO via DL4FO UT/RU2FP/P via RU2FP
ES4GP via ES5GP R34CZF via RV9CVA VE3ZZ/VY2 via VE3ZZ
HR9/WQ7R via K5WW SM6/OE9LTH via OE9LTH WH0AU via JP3WAU

IB0/OM3RM via OM3RM SN630LW via SQ3OGV XE1RK via EA5ZD
IB0/OM7JG via OM7JG SV0XCC/9 via LZ1YE ZD8D via DL9HO

IL3A QSL REQUEST. Bureau cards for the "Extreme DX & Contest Group's" activities as IL3A from Venice Lagoon (EU-131) can be requested by E-mail from the QSL Manager IK3HHX (mariohhx@tiscali.it).

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 5B4AIF, 5D5A, 8P9NX, 9M6XRO, CU2JT, CN8KD, DL1QQ, DL2CHN, EC1CT, FP/K9OT, G0JKZ, G1WEV, IZ0ICM, OY/PA2A, OY3JE, PU8TEP, PY1SX, RL9F, TM7CC, UA6CE, V26BZR, VK9HR and Z21BB

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 4L1MA, 7P8CC, 9M2CNC, A25AN, C50C, CN2PV, EX8AB, GR1VDP, HI3/W1JNZ, HP1IBF, MS0INT, MS0INT/p, P29VCX, PJ2/K2TQC, PJ2/K8LEE, PJ4B, PJ5/SP6IXF, RI1FJ, S21YZ, ST2NH, TA2/DL7BC, T88TW, V85/9M6XRO, VP5/W5CW, VQ9LA, VR2BG, XE1CT and ZL7VR

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: E51NOU, H79W/YN4, HI3/N3SY, HR9/K0UU, P40CG, TO5DX, V31MR and ZK3YA

TI, COSTA RICA (Early Announcement). Operators Kyle/WA4PGM, Roy/WK4Y, Rich/AJ3G, Julius/N2WN and possibly others will be active as TI5N during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 3-4th, 2012) as a Multi-? entry. QSL via W3HNK.

VP6, PITCAIRN ISLAND. Operators Jacques/F6BEE, Nigel/G3TXF, Gilles/VE2TZT, Michel/FM5CD and Vincent/F4BKV have announced a major DXpedition to the famous, mythical Pitcairn Island (OC-044, CQ Zone 32) in the heart of the Pacific Ocean. Efforts will be made to give this extremely rare entity to deserving DXers on as many bands as possible, but especially on the low bands. The team's plan is to be active as VP6T between January 20-29th, 2012. Activity will be on 160-10 meters including the 30/17/12 meter bands, using CW, SSB and RTTY. The VP6T log will be uploaded to LoTW during the operation if possible, if not immediately after the operation. They try to update their VP6T log on "ClubLog" several times a day during the operation. This will help you track your progress across the bands. QSL Manager is Nigel, G3TXF. In addition to the usual routes (Direct QSLing, QSLing via the Bureau and E-mail requests for Bureau cards to "QSL at G3TXF dot com"), they will also be using the new "Online QSL Request Service (OQRS) provided by ClubLog." For more details and the suggested frequencies, visit the VP6T Web site at: http://www.vp6t.org

ST0, SOUTH SUDAN (Update). The world's newest country and DXCC entity continues to be active on the air until August 10th, as ST0R. Updates from their Web page indicate that they now have five stations running and the 6 meters beacon (on 50.105 MHz). As this was being typed, activity has been on all bands (except 160m) on CW. SSB operations have been on 40/20/17/15/12/10/6 meters, while RTTY operations have been on 30/17/15 meters. Totals as of 1318z, July 29th, are 47011/QSOs with 14235/Unique callsigns. The breakdown is: 24364/CW, 16417/SSB and 6230/RTTY. Currently, there are 10 operators there: Paul/N6PSE, Dmitri/RA9USU, Valery/RG8K, Jun/JH4RHF, Andreas/DH8WR, Fabrizio/IN3ZNR, Manuel/EA7AJR, Jose/EA7KW and Antonio/EA5RM. Hrane/YT1AD return home on June 27th, and was replaced

by David/AH6HY. Others U.S. team members will arrive there around August 2nd. They report that the pile-ups are very heavy and they have to work by numbers to handle the pile-ups. They state, "Main target still is to give the new country to as many people as possible and we'll start to work others bands during upcoming days." For more details and updates watch: http://www.dxfriends.com/SouthernSudan2011
QSL via EA5RM direct. Their OQRS will be activated after the DXpedition. Online log is available on the Web page at:
http://www.dxfriends.com/SouthernSudan2011/log.php
ADDED NOTE: To see which actual operator you worked, hover your cursor over the green check mark and their picture and callsign comes up. Cool!

The following stations are expected to be active in the
RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st, 2011)

Thanks to Bill, NG3K, for providing OPDX readers with the following consolidated listing of the participants in the 2011 RSGB IOTA Contest. For a more detailed listing (and up-to-date changes/corrections) in HTML format, please visit Bill's Web page at:
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/iota2011.html

Contest DXCC IOTA Island QSL
Callsign Entity Route

9A/DK3CH Croatia EU-170 Dugi Otok DK3CH
9A/S56A Croatia EU-110 St Nicholas LoTW; QSL via S56A
9A/S57UN Croatia EU-136 Rab S57UN
9A1CKL Croatia EU-170 Zirje Auto Buro; QSL via
DK8ZZ direct
A43MI Oman AS-014 Masirah A47RS
AA4XX USA NA-067 Harker's LoTW
AD5WB USA NA-143 Galveston LoTW; QSL via AD5WB,
Buro or direct, also eQSL
BA3EO/4 China AS-146 Changdao BA3EO;QSL OK Buro
or direct
BV100 Taiwan AS-102 Kinmen BV2KI
BW9/JH3GCN Taiwan AS-102 Kinmen Island JH3GCN
BY1CW/4 China AS-146 Changdao BA4EG; QSL via Buro
or direct
CR5B Portugal EU-040 Berlenga Grande CT1BOL
CR6W Portugal EU-150 Insua CS1GDX
D93I South Korea AS-080 Anmyon LoTW; QSL via DS4NYE,
Buro or direct
DC1HPS/p Germany EU-042 Pellworm
DF6QC Germany EU-127 Helgoland DF6QC
DF8HS/p Germany EU-128 Fehmarn DF8HS; QSL via DARC
Buro or direct
DL5KUD Germany EU-057 Ruegen DL5KUD Buro
DL6DQW/p Germany EU-129 Usedom DL6DQW; QSL via

Buro or direct
DL6MHW Germany EU-057 Ruegen DL6MHW
DL9LBG/m Germany EU-128 Fehmarn DL9LBG
DL0KWH/p Germany EU-129 Usedom DL0KWH Buro
DM6V/p Germany EU-129 Usedom DL5AXX
E2E Thailand AS-107 Si Chang HS0ZFZ; QSL via
Buro or direct
ED1M Spain EU-142 Mouro EA1DR
EF8M Canary Islands AF-004 Gran Canaria UA3DX
EI1DD Ireland EU-115 Ireland EI1DD Buro
EJ3Z Ireland EU-121 Inisbofin EI3Z
EJ0PL Ireland EU-007 Great Blasket EI5JQ
ES4GP Estonia EU-149 Vaindloo ES5GP Buro
ES0U Estonia EU-034 Saaremaa ES2DJ Buro
F5KKD France EU-068 Sein
F5RAB/p France EU-095 Ratonneau F5RAB
F6KPQ/p France EU-048 Belle Ile en Mer
FG5KC/p Guadeloupe NA-114 Les Saintes FG5KC; QSLvia Buro,
direct, or eQSL
FP/K9OT St Pierre & Miquelon NA-032 Miquelon LoTW; QSL via K9OT,
Buro or direct (w/RP)
G7N England EU-120 Isle of Wight G5XV
GJ2A Jersey EU-013 Jersey LoTW; QSL via GJ3DVC
GJ6YB Jersey EU-013 Jersey G3SWH
GM1J Scotland EU-092 Tanera Mor LoTW; QSL via MM0BQI,
Buro or direct
GM2T Scotland EU-008 Tiree LoTW; QSL via GM2T,
Buro or direct, also eQSL
GM7A Scotland EU-008 Gigha GM7A Buro; QSL via
GM7AAJ direct
GM7V Scotland EU-010 Benbecula N3SL
GM7X Scotland EU-123 Isle of Arran GW3SQX Direct
GM0ADX Scotland EU-008 Skye
GM0B Scotland EU-123 Isle of Bute MM0BHX
GW5O Wales EU-124 Holy GW5O Buro
HS7AT/p Thailand AS-101 Samui HS7AT Direct
IB0R Italy EU-045 Ventotene IK8HCG Direct
IC8FBU Italy EU-031 Capri IC8FBU
IC8WIC Italy EU-031 Capri IC8WIC
IF9/IT9BXR Italy EU-054 Favignana IT9BXR Buro
IH9YMC African Italy AF-018 Pantelleria IH9YMC
IJ7A Italy EU-073 San Pietro IK7IMO; QSL via Buro
or direct
IM0P Sardinia EU-165 San Pietro IM0P
IQ7HK Italy EU-091 Isola Grande IK7FPX
IT9EJW/p Italy EU-166 Lachea IT9EJW; QSL via
Buro or direct
IT9RZU Italy EU-025 Sicily IT9RZU
J45K Dodecanese EU-001 Kasos LoTW; QSL via SV9DJO
J48NL Greece EU-174 Thassos J48NL

K1VSJ USA NA-046 Martha's Vineyard K1VSJ; QSL via
Buro or direct
K5KUA/p USA NA-143 Galveston K5KUA; QSL via Buro
or direct
LA Norway EU-062 Vega LoTW; QSL via home call
LA/DB5YB Norway EU-036 Averoya DB5YB Buro
LA8OM Norway EU-055 Finnoy LA8OM Buro
LA9RY Norway EU-055 Stord LA9RY
LZ0I Bulgaria EU-181 Sveti Ivan LZ1BJ
MI0UDX Northern Ireland EU-122 Rathlin LoTW; QSL as per QRZ.com
MM3T Scotland EU-123 Isle of Bute eQSL
MM0TFU/p Scotland EU-123 Isle of Arran LoTW; QSL via MM0TFU
direct
MP0HTJ Guernsey EU-114 Guernsey M0TZO; QSL via Buro
or direct
N2US/3 USA NA-139 Assateague LoTW; QSL via N2US,
Buro or direct
N4A USA NA-067 Core Banks N4YDU Direct
N4I USA NA-067 Core Banks W4OTN; QSL OK via
Buro or direct
NP3QE Puerto Rico NA-099 Puerto Rico NP3QE
NP4DX Puerto Rico NA-099 Puerto Rico W3HNK
OG5A Finland EU-140 Kuorsalo OH5AD
OH/DL2JRM/p Denmark EU-125 Romo DL2JRM; QSL via DARC
Buro or direct
OH/G4FSU Finland EU-097 Emsalo G4FSU; QSL via RSGB
Buro or direct
OH1TD Finland EU-096 Korpo OH1TD
OY1CT Faroe Islands EU-018 Streymoy OY1CT Direct
OZ/DF2SD Denmark EU-125 Fano LoTW; QSL via DF2SD,
direct or Buro
OZ/DG5LAC Denmark EU-172 Bjorno LoTW; QSL via DG5LAC,
Buro or direct
OZ4FF Denmark EU-030 Bornholm OZ4FF
OZ7BQ/p Denmark EU-172 Drejo LoTW; QSL via OZ7BQ,
Buro preferred
OZ8SW Denmark EU-029 Sjaelland OZ8SW
OZ7VEA Denmark EU-030 Bornholm DL7VEA; QSL via
Buro or direct
OZ0TX Denmark EU-125 Mando DL7AT; QSL via Buro
or direct
PA/ON6CQ Netherlands EU-146 Schouwen Duiveland ON6CQ
PA3FKN Netherlands EU-038 Texel PA3FKN
PF4C Netherlands EU-146 Schouwen Duiveland ON4ON
PR5D Brazil SA-047 Ilha do Mel PY5DC Direct
PY7CRA/p Brazil SA-046 Itamaraca PY7CRA
R6AF/p Russia (Europe) EU-185 Sudzhuk R6AF
RA1QQ/1 Russia (Europe) EU-162 Malyy RA1QQ; QSL via Buro
or direct
RA0FF Russia (Asia) AS-018 Sakhalin LoTW; QSL via RA0FF,

direct
RC3W/1 Russia (Europe) EU-119 Morzhovets RW3WWW
RI1AA Russia (Europe) EU-133 Novik UA1AIR
RN1N/p Russia (Europe) EU-147 Yakostrov RN1N; QSL via Buro
or direct
RW0MM/p Russia (Asia) AS-066 Reyneke RW0MM
SA1A Sweden EU-020 Gotland SM1TDE Buro
SA6G/7 Sweden EU-137 Ven SM6CUK
SF2X/p Sweden EU-135 Ledskar SM5EFX; QSL via Buro
or direct
SK0HS/5 Sweden EU-084 Vassaro LoTW; QSL via SM0MPV,
Buro
SP8RX/1 Poland EU-132 Wolin DJ0IF
SV5DKL Dodecanese EU-001 Rhodes LoTW; QSL via SV5DKL
SX8R Greece EU-174 Thassos HA0NAR
SY9M Crete EU-015 Crete SV9CVY
SZ8L Greece EU-052 Meganisi SV8GKE
TC0G Turkey EU-186 Gokceada TA3TTT
TM1G France EU-094 St Nicolas F6CNM; QSL also via ON6DP
TM2BI France EU-048 Belle Ile en Mer F6KPQ
TM7T France EU-039 Grande ON7EQ; QSL via ON Buro
or direct
UA0LCZ/p Russia (Asia) AS-066 Popova Island UA0LCZ
UA1NFA/p Russia (Europe) EU-147 Yakostrov UA1NFA; QSL via Buro
or direct
V47JA St Kitts & Nevis NA-104 St Kitts W5JON
VC1D Canada NA-126 Bon Portage VE1DHD
VC1Z Canada NA-154 Pictou VE1CDD
VD1B Canada NA-198 Bell LoTW; QSL via VO1LM, Buro
or direct, also eQSL
VE3ZZ/VY2 Canada NA-029 Prince Edward VE3ZZ; QSL via Buro
or direct
VE7RSV/p Canada NA-091 Broughton VE7RSV; QSL via Buro
or direct
VK4NM/p Australia OC-142 Fraser M0OXO Direct
VK4SWE Australia OC-227 Sweers QSL via direct or eQSL
VK9HR Lord Howe Island OC-004 Lord Howe EB7DX
W1ASB/p USA NA-136 Ram W1ASB
W4/DF2MM USA NA-142 Santa Rosa DF2MM
W4O USA NA-067 Hatteras N4YDU Direct
W4OTN USA NA-067 Core Banks W4OTN; QSL via Buro
or direct
W4S USA NA-142 Santa Rosa LoTW; QSL via W4PC, direct
W4T USA NA-083 Tangier K5VIP
W6UX/p USA NA-144 Anacapa K6GEP
WB8YJF/4 USA NA-067 Ocracoke WB8YJF Direct
WD5IYT USA NA-092 Mustang LoTW; QSL via WD5IYT
as per QRZ.com
XM2I Canada NA-128 Isle aux Grues VE2CQ
YB3MM Indonesia OC-021 Java IZ8CCW

YB9WZJ/p Indonesia OC-239 Doom YB9WZJ Direct
ZD8D Ascension Island AF-003 Ascension DL9HO

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701. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #1021.1

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-31 19:33:33 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <621774.57957.qm@smtp104.sbc.mail.gq1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 4341
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1021.1
Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin No. 1021.1

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Special Bulletin No. 1021.1
BID: $OPDX.1021.1
July 31, 2011
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX
Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet
Clusters Network and N6PSE for the following DX information.

SOUTH SUDAN UPDATE. Here is the latest information regarding the South
Sudan DXpedition from Paul, N6PSE:
Dispatch Juba:
The ST0R team continues to work through the pile ups, now passing the
60,000 QSO mark. We are continuing to run five stations and and we are
trying to get QSOs into the hands of all who need them. As is the custom
and practice of the Intrepid-DX Group, we have invited local youth to
visit our operation. Today, we arranged a visit of 25 boys from the Juba
Secondary Boy's Academy. We gave the boys a tour of the ST0R shack and
explained to them the various aspects of amateur radio. We allowed them
to listen as we made QSOs across the world. We have recorded this visit
on the ST0R photos page: http://www.dxfriends.com/SouthernSudan2011/photos.php
We are just at the half-way mark of the DXpedition and we will continue
to be active until August 10th, 2011.
Thank you,
The ST0R Team

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Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=unsubscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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702. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 31st July 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-07-31 20:00:12 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20110731200003.6FAB333C7D@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4342
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 31st July 2011

IRTS 2 Metres Counties Contest

The IRTS 2m Counties Contest will take place Sunday 28th August 2011. The closing date for the submission of the log to the contest manager is 27th September 2011.

HF Newsreaders.

We wish to welcome Francis Lenane EI5GOB and George Donaldson EI7GKB as HF newsreaders. Francis is based in Waterford and George is based in Athlone thus ensuring a nice geographical spread. If there are any other operators who would like to read the news please contact Ger McNamara on 087 2532512 orei4gxb / at /gmail / dot/com.

South Sudan DXpedition

Anyone listening to the HF bands over the past week will have noticed the huge pile-ups generated by the DXpedition to South Sudan - the newest and therefore most wanted DXCC entity. In the first 6 days of operation, the multi-national team of radio amateurs clocked up 40,000 QSOs. The team, using the call sign Sierra-Tango-Zero-Romeo, plan to stay on the air until 10th August.

Operation will be on all the HF bands, along with 6 metres; the focus to date has been on the higher frequency bands. CW accounts for 50% of QSOs, phone and RTTY sharing the other 50%. At the time of writing, their log shows 88 QSOs with EI stations and 29 with GI stations. John EI7BA tops the EI list, with 13 QSOs.

Given the geographic location of South Sudan, European stations - and particularly southern European stations - have dominated the QSO lists. While the majority of radio amateurs trying to work them have been well behaved, there has been some deliberate QRM and "frequency police" actions, which have somewhat spoiled the fun at times.

Introduction to Amateur Radio

The Mayo Radio Experimenters Network are holding a series of practical hands on open days throughout the summer months. The events will start at 13.00 approx (weather permitting) and will take place on the following dates:

Sunday August 14th

Sunday September 11th

Anyone with an interest in radio related matters, who would like to have the opportunity to participate or observe the operation of an amateur radio station, or meet club members, will receive a warm welcome. Whatever you're level of interest, the club will be pleased to help in taking your interest further, be it a complete novice, shortwave listener or formal assistance in progressing to a full amateur radio licence.

The location for all events will be the car park at the Halfway House on the Castlebar to Westport Road. If you would like further details please contact: Padraic Baynes EI9JA on 0876957154 (email pbaynes1/at/eircom/dot/net) , email David Hatfield EI3ECB on ei3ecb/at/gmail/dot/com or text or phone the club mobile phone number 086 20 89 777

Limerick 2M Repeater QRV again.

The Limerick 2M repeater on 145.725 is now QRV again after being off the air due to vandalism at the repeater site. Limerick Radio Club are grateful for the many generous donations received from around the country, which have gone towards installation of a new security door. A new run of Hardline has also been installed from the hut to the mast.

South Dublin Radio Club

On Saturday 16th of July South Dublin Radio headed northside and set up a portable station on Howth Head. Two HF antennas, one VHF and two Amateur Television antennas were erected with power supplied by a portable generator. The club's tent was errected and the clubs rigs were put to good use.

A fibreglass extra large type fishing pole was used as the main mast with the base of this mast held firm with specialised 'ladder feeder'. Morse, voice and television were the modes in use, with High Frequency, 2 Metres, 23 Centimetres and 13 Centimeters the bands in use.

Some members of the South Dublin Radio club also took the opportunity to visit the nearby "Ye Olde Hurdy Gurdy Museum of Vintage Radio" After a great welcome members were given a guided tour of the museum by Pat the curator.

Comparison was performed between a carolina windom and a V multiband aerial. The weather conditions on the day were perfect with a risk of sunburn. The event was well attended with visitors from North Dublin Radio Club. It is hoped to continue the practice with the callsign EI2SDR/P on air again.

South Dublin Radio club is on its annual break and weekly meetings will return on Tuesday 16th of August.

Ampr.org Database

Brian Kantor, the administrator of the worldwide ampr.org database is currently doing a cleanup. If you are using an allocation in 44.155/16 subnet. Please contact Brian, or John EI7IG.

Astronomers Find Largest, Most Distant Reservoir ofWater

Two teams of astronomers have discovered the largest and farthest reservoir of water ever detected in the universe. The water, equivalent to 140 trillion times all the water in the world's ocean, surrounds a huge, feeding black hole, called a quasar, more than 12 billion light-years away. (Source:www.nasa.gov)

NASA's WISE Mission Finds First Trojan Asteroid Sharing Earth's Orbit

Astronomers studying observations taken by NASA's Wide-field Infrared Survey Explorer (WISE) mission have discovered the first known "Trojan" asteroid orbiting the sun along with Earth. Scientists had predicted Earth should have Trojans, but they have been difficult to find because they are relatively small and appear near the sun from Earth's point of view. (Source: www.nasa.gov)

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

703. ZL Ham August Band Scope

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-01 02:27:48 UTC
From: Peter Bennett ZL1UPB <news-nospam1@zlham.geek.nz>
Message-ID: <j1522nqhd1a@posting.glorb.com>
Source record: 4343
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

The August issue of ZL Ham Band Scope is out.

ZL Ham Band Scope is a round up of news, contests, views and items of
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link below to download your copy of Band Scope.

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ftp://zlham.geek.nz/Bandscope/bandscope-2011-8.pdf

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http://www.zlham.geek.nz/Bandscope/bandscope-2011-8.pdf

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Peter Bennett ZL1UPB

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704. Crossposting Permitted to rec.radio.amateur.moderated

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-01 06:00:03 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting-1-1312178401@panix.com>
Source record: 4344
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting
Revision: 1.1 2009/04/12 19:42:04
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rram/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

After a 30-day public discussion and feedback period to gauge reader
opinions in March of 2009:

http://groups.google.com/group/rec.radio.amateur.moderated/browse_thread/thread/d7d337db35
f23326

the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team has decided to consider
amending its charter, and permit limited simultaneous crossposting to
rec.radio.amateur.moderated and one other unmoderated
amateur-radio-related discussion newsgroup. We are currently trying
this on a temporary basis (90 days, through early July 2009), and adopt
it permanently if successful.

Approved rec.radio.amateur.* newsgroups are those that are currently
listed in the latest version of the "List of Big Eight Newsgroups" which
is crossposted monthly to news.announce.newgroups, news.groups, and
news.lists.misc.

Approved alt.radio.amateur.* and alt.ham-radio.* newsgroups are those
that have been created consistent with the suggestions in "So You Want
to Create an Alt Newsgroup" at:

http://www.faqs.org/faqs/alt-creation-guide/

Approved regional hierarchy newsgroups are those that contain either
"radio.amateur" or "ham-radio" in their names, including
uk.radio.amateur and aus.radio.amateur.misc.

We will make every reasonable effort to keep our list of approved
newsgroups up-to-date. In case we have overlooked any, and a submission
is rejected in error as a result, the rejected submitter can E-mail us
at our administrative contact address (in the signature at the bottom of
this article, and the default Reply-To for the rejection message)
requesting that it be added, and that the article be approved. We may
still choose to reject articles crossposted to any alt.* newsgroup with
an inappropriate name, including obscene language, embedded
name-calling, or encouragement of unlawful conduct.
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Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-amateur-moderated-request@panix.com.

705. SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 31 JULY 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-01 11:31:39 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <20110801113126.A57CA33C7D@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4345
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 31 JULY 2011

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Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 and 3,695 MHz SSB.

SILENT KEY

It is with regret that it must be announced that the key of Robert Boulanger, ZS6ARC, became silent on Wednesday 27 July2011 after a long period with Alzheimer. Condolences to his wife Claire, three sons and daughter, other relatives and friends.

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In the news today:

ARRL NAMES LARRY PRICE, W4RA, PRESIDENT EMERITUS

SARL TO CONSIDER AN ON-THE-AIR YOUTH FORUM

IARU REGION 1 CONFERENCE

RADIO TECHNOLGY IN ACTION SYMPOSIUMS 2012

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting news items.

ARRL NAMES LARRY PRICE, W4RA, PRESIDENT EMERITUS

Dr Larry Price who served as ARRL President from 1984-1992 and served previously as a Vice Director, Director and Vice President of the ARRL Board of Directors was named as the ARRL President Emeritus at the recently held meeting of the ARRL Board.

Larry also served for 10 years as Secretary of the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) and another 10 years as that organization's President. Dr Price continues to serve the IARU as an expert consultant and has been recognized as President Emeritus by the IARU's

Administrative Council. In celebration of Dr Price's service to the Amateur Radio Service and in recognition of his 60th anniversary as a radio amateur, the Board named him President Emeritus of the ARRL.

The SARL has congratulated Larry and thanked him for his many years of service to amateur radio.

SARL TO CONSIDER AN ON-THE-AIR YOUTH FORUM

During its meeting to discuss the various new initiatives highlighted in the annual report, the SARL Council considered the formation of an on-the-air youth forum. The objective is to create a space where young radio amateurs can share ideas and talk to each other. The forum will be run on an intecnet basis with connections to various repeaters and HF.

One proposal is to run it once a month at an early evening time slot. Council would like the first forum to get on the air in early December. Comments and suggestions are invited from young radio amateurs on which day of the week and at what time the forum should be run. The objective is to get the youth to manage the monthly event and to form a steering committee.

If you are under 25 and are interested in running and participating in the forum send an email to HYPERLINK "mailto:artoday@sarl.org.za" artoday@sarl.org.za with your contact details and how you would like the idea to be implemented. Please mark the subject line SARL Youth Forum.

SARL WEB PROGRESS REPORT

The interim move to another server at the current ISP has stabilized access to the SARL web. The move to another ISP is making progress. Several of the issues with the various data bases interacting with some of the services on the web have been resolved and full testing is expected later next week. The SARL council is planning several new features and content which will be implemented over a period of time once the move to the new ISP has been completed.

IARU REGION 1 CONFERENCE

In two weeks time delegates to the IARU conference will be arriving in South Africa to deliberate on the many agenda items. You can find the motions and agenda as well as other interesting information on HYPERLINK "http://www.iaru2011.org.za" www.iaru2011.org.za. During the weeklong conference a special event station, ZS6IARU, will be on the air. Listen out for many exotic callsigns as delegates from over 50 countries take to the air using ZS6/ their own callsign.

The Region 1 conference will be followed by the IARU Administrative Council meeting. This is the first time since the formation of the IARU in 1925 that the conference and the AC meeting are held on the African continent.

RADIO TECHNOLGY IN ACTION SYMPOSIUMS 2012

The SARL Council has started planning the 2012 Radio Technology in Action symposiums and is inviting your proposals on subjects you would like to see covered. The theme will be RTA2012 back to Amateur Radio Basics, a mix of new technologies, practical amateur radio and operating. Send in your ideas and suggested speakers you would like to be approached. The address to write to is HYPERLINK "mailto:rta@sarl.org.za" rta@sarl.org.za. By the end of August all the ideas and proposal will be considered and for your input your name will go into a lucky draw for the ARRL Antenna Book valued at R480.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS KEEP A STEADY FLOW

As today is month end please send in your membership renewals, invoices were mailed some time back. The cutoff date is today but as in the past the SARL gives another month grace with the final cutoff date on 31 August. If you are not sure how much to pay or lost the invoice, call Mariska on Monday at 011 675 2393 or send her an email to HYPERLINK "mailto:admin@sarl.org.za" admin@sarl.org.za.

To date a thousand members have renewed their membership. Thanks to them for their continued support. If you have not yet rejoined the ranks of supporters, please do so as soon as possible.

NEW AFRICAN COUNTRY

Huge pileups are reported for the ST0R DXpedition to the world's newest independent country of the Republic of the South Sudan. Online DX News site dxcoffee.com says the group expects to be on the air on all bands between 160 and 6 metres, operating mostly in CW, with occasional shifts to SSB and RTTY. ST0R is also active on the WARC bands.

The newly-established Republic of South Sudan is also the latest addition to amateur radio DX awards lists. It was added to both the ARRL's DXCC list and the CQ Countrie's list as of July 14, its admission date to the United Nations.

NEW BANDS FOR THE DUTCH AND SLOVAKIA AMATEURS

OK1RP reports that Radio Amateurs in Slovakia have access to a single channel in the 5 MHz or 60 meter band. Stations in Slovakia can use the channel ranging from 5,258 5 to 5,261 5 MHz with a maximum power of 100 Watt Effective Radiated Power. A special permit is required to operate in this new band sliver. Licenses are valid for 1 year from the date of issue which is the same as in the Czech Republic.

Amateurs in the Netherlands now have access to bands at 500 kHz and 70 MHz. This after the Dutch Minister of Economic Affairs, Agriculture & Innovation issued a Decree on July 6 changing the National Frequency Plan.

The revised band plan shows an amateur service bands at 501 to 505 kHz that will remain available until January 1st, 2014. It also shows a

new allocation from 70,0 to 70,5 MHz that has no time limit.

CONTEST NEWS

SARL Winter QRP Contest 16 July 2011

The logs reveal that 72 stations took part during the event. 16 Logs were submitted including 3 check logs.

Most participating stations used SSB and a few used both CW and SSB, a few diehards used CW only.

The statistics don't reflect the true state of affairs since most stations that took part using CW unfortunately did not submit a log. It was very encouraging to see the renewed interest in using CW in this event and we sure hope that it will serve to encourage more to use this mode in future events.

The points advantage of operating with CW is substantial and this can clearly seen by the results in this contest as the winning station scored 660 points with 11 contacts.

1st - Pierre van Deventer, ZS6A 1230 points

2nd - Christo van Rensburg, ZS3R 640 points

3rd - Brendon Muller, ZS4DEF 504 points

The winner of the Lucky Draw prize is Dave Cloete, ZR6AOC.

The winner of a 1 year subscription to the SARL is Christo van Rensburg, ZS3R.

Congratulations to the winners.

PROBLEMS ENCOUNTERED DURING CONTESTS

It has come to the attention of the SARL Contest Manager, Geoff Levey, ZS6GRL, that there have been problems encountered between "Contesters" and "Rag chewers" during contests.

This is an appeal to the "Rag chewers" to please use the contest free segments of the band plan during contests. In this way conflict will not occur between the various parties. The frequencies used for contest purposes have been approved by the IARU are practiced world wide.

The same appeal goes out to the "contesters" to stay clear of the contest free segments of the band plan.

The contest free frequencies for phone (SSB) are as follows. Only the common frequencies that are used in contests are listed.

80 m - 3 650 to 3 700 kHz

40 m - 7 100 to 7 130 kHz

SARL HF PHONE CONTEST

The SARL HF Phone contest will be on the air from 13:00 to 16:30 UTC on Sunday 7 August 2011. The aim of the HF Phone Contest is for participants to contact as many radio amateurs in Southern Africa (see General Rules paragraph 1.b.) as possible in the 20, 40 and 80 m bands.

You can participate as a Single Operator Single Band, Single Operator All Band, Multi Operator Single Band or Multi Operator All Band. Club stations are encouraged to compete. A RS report and a consecutive serial number starting at 001 is the exchange.

Scoring. Each SSB contact counts 1 point. 2 points are earned per call area worked on each band and 2 points are earned for each station worked on all three bands.

The closing date for your log submission is 14 August and the logs must be sent to the West Rand ARC, PO Box 5344, Weltevredenpark, 1725 or by e-mail to HYPERLINK "mailto:contest@sarl.org.za" contest@sarl.org.za. Please do not use the address in the Contest Manual.

There are a number of trophies and special prizes to be won, but you must participate in the contest and submit your log sheet. Get all the rules on page 62 of the 2011 SARL Contest Manual.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is expected to be at low levels. However, there is a chance that new, rapidly emerging flux regions could increase activity to moderate levels at any time. The visible solar disk consists primarily of three big sunspot groups numbered 1 260, 1 261 and 1 263. Currently there is a chance for M-Class flares around both Sunspots 1 260 and 1261 and a very small risk of an X-Class flare. Each of these sunspot groups is the size of several planet earths. Sunspot 1 260 is in good position for any possible earth directed Coronal Mass Ejections (CMEs).

For the people doing their own frequency predictions the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be less than 50.

With the winter here 20 m will provide the best opportunities for DX followed by 30 m. There is a chance of 15 m openings to South America.

Please visit HYPERLINK "http://www.spaceweather.co.za" www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

07 Aug. - SARL HF Phone Competition.

09 Aug. - SARL YL Sprint.

21 Aug. - 3rd leg of SARL Digital Competition.

28 Aug. - SARL HF CW Competition.

Aug. - Send ideas about 2012 Radio Technology in Action symposiums to HYPERLINK "mailto:rta@sarl.org.za" rta@sarl.org.za.

Aug. - Send ideas about proposed youth forum to HYPERLINK "mailto:artoday@sarl.org.za" artoday@sarl.org.za.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 750 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 18:30 CAT on 3 230 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by George, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening, 73.

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========== Message Ends ==========

To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp.

706. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 25 - 31 July 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-02 21:30:07 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20110802213001.DC01533C7D@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4346
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.info

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:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2011 Aug 02 2058 UTC
# Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
# http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
#
Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
25 - 31 July 2011

Solar activity ranged from very low to high levels during the
period. The period began with very low activity during 25 July, with
B-class flares predominantly from Region 1260 (N19, L=358,
class/area Ehi/330 on 30 July). Activity increased to low levels on
26 July with two C-class flares from Region 1260. Activity increased
to moderate levels on 27 July due to an M1/1n flare at 27/1607 UTC,
as well as frequent to occasional low-level C-class flares, from
Region 1260. Activity decreased to low levels during 28 - 29 July
with 13 C-class flares on each of those days. The largest during
this period was a C6/1f at 29/1640 UTC from Region 1261 (N16, L=330,
class/area Eki/350 on 31 July). Activity increased to high levels on
30 July due to an impulsive M9 flare from Region 1261 at 20/0209
UTC. A 180 sfu Tenflare was associated with this flare. Low levels
returned on 31 July with several C-class events, the largest of
which was a C3/Sn at 31/0254 UTC from Region 1261.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
normal to high levels during 25 - 26 July. Flux increased to
moderate to high levels during 27 - 29 July. Flux decreased to
normal to moderate levels on 30 - 31 July.

Geomagnetic field activity ranged from quiet to minor storm levels
during the period. Activity began the period at quiet to unsettled
levels, with isolated active to minor storm levels at high latitudes
on 25 July, due to a coronal hole high-speed stream (CH HSS).
Activity decreased to mostly quiet to unsettled levels on 26 July.
Activity decreased to mostly quiet levels during 27 - 29 July.
Activity increased to quiet to active levels with an isolated minor
storm period at high latitudes during 30 July. Mostly unsettled
conditions were observed on 31 July.
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Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
03 August - 29 August 2011

Solar activity is expected to be at low to moderate levels during 03 - 08 August, with a chance for M-class flares greater than M5 from Region 1261. Activity is expected to decrease to very low to low levels during the rest of the period as Region 1261 departs. A chance for M-class activity increases on 20 August when Region 1261 rotates back around the east limb.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at moderate to high levels on 03 - 04 August. Normal to moderate levels are expected during 05 - 07 August. Moderate to high levels are expected during 08 - 13 August due to effects from a recurrent CH HSS. Normal to moderate levels are expected on 14 - 15 August followed by moderate to high levels from 16 - 25 August due to a second CH HSS. Normal to moderate levels are expected for the remainder of the period.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be predominantly quiet during 03 - 04 August. A CME observed at approximately 02/0706 UTC on LASCO C3 imagery is expected to arrive late on 04 August and increase activity to unsettled to active levels with a chance for minor storm conditions through the first few periods of 06 August. Major storm periods are possible at high latitudes during this time. Quiet to unsettled conditions are expected for the rest of 06 August through 11 August due to effects from a recurrent CH HSS. Activity is expected to decrease to mostly quiet levels from 12 - 13 August as the CH HSS effects subside. Activity is expected to increase to quiet to unsettled levels from 14 - 22 August, with a chance for active levels on 15 - 17 August due to another recurrent CH HSS. Conditions are expected to decrease to quiet levels until the arrival of a third CH HSS anticipated to become geoeffective on 26 August. Quiet to unsettled conditions with a chance for isolated active periods are expected to prevail for the remainder of the forecast period.

707. The ARRL Contest Update for August 3, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-03 10:57:25 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20110803101929.9D52F25C35@bmail.arrl.org>
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The ARRL Contest Update

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NEW HF OPERATORS - THINGS TO DO

If working the Islands On the Air (IOTA) contest activated your
foghorn, check out International Lighthouse-Lightship Week. The Worked
All Europe (WAE) CW weekend also features a unusual and challenging
"QTC" aspect of competition. Those of you new to ham radio in the past
three years can enjoy the ARRL's first-ever RTTY version of the Rookie
Roundup <http://www.arrl.org/rookie-roundup>, too!

BULLETINS

Your editor spent some time over the past couple of weeks rambling
around the Eastern Seaboard to get a sample of that cool
ocean-moderated summer weather...NOT! Triple-digit temps
notwithstanding, the time spent in the vicinity of ARRL HQ and then on
the North Carolina beach was most enjoyable. Thus, this issue is a mere
shadow of its usual voluminous self but rest assured that the August
16th version will be back to normal.

BUSTED QSOS

Well, the Bumblebees didn't take flight until this past Sunday - I hope
you caught a few in the Flight of the Bumblebees contest. I can't spell
very well, either - it's Friedrichshafen and Phoenix. And the Rohn 9H50
push-up mast has a total extended height of 34 feet, not 50 feet.
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(Thanks, Jake K9WN)

CONTEST SUMMARY

Complete information for all contests follows the Conversation section

Aug 6-7

- ARRL UHF Contest
- North American QSO Party--CW
- SNS and NS Weekly Sprints--CW (Aug 5)
- Lighthouse-Lightship Week
- TARA Grid Dip Shindig--Digital
- 10-10 Summer Phone QSO Party
- European HF Championship
- South Africa DX Contest--Phone
- NAQCC Monthly QRP Sprint--CW (Aug 10)
- CWops Monthly Mini-CWT Test--(Aug 10)

Aug 13-14

- Worked All Europe--CW
- Dominican Republic Contest--Phone
- Maryland-DC QSO Party
- Straight Key Weekend Sprint

==> NEWS, PRESS RELEASES, AND GENERAL INTEREST

You can watch the deployment of ARISSat-1
<http://www.nasa.gov/multimedia/nasatv/index.html> on NASA's website
beginning at 1400 UTC on Wednesday, August 3, as two Russian cosmonauts
undertake a six-hour spacewalk that will include the satellite's
deployment. Expedition 28 Russian Flight Engineers Sergei Volkov,
RU3DIS, and Alexander Samokutyaev will launch the satellite from the
ISS near the beginning of the spacewalk. You can learn more in this
ARRL website story
<http://www.arrl.org/news/arissat-1-deployment-set-for-august-3-watch-live-via-computer-or
-tv>
and EDN magazine e-newsletter article
<http://www.edn.com/article/518993-Amateur_satellite_ready_to_go_in_to_action.php>.

The southern hemisphere's first-ever Contest University - Brasil
<http://www.ctubrasil.com/fotos-2011> was a big success! Held in Porto
Alegre (PY3) the well-organized 1-1/2 day program of 18 classes
attracted around 200 attendees including a number of unlicensed
students from the host technical school whose club call sign in PY3MHZ.
Faculty included K5ZD, K1DG, W3LPL, W9KNI, LU8ADX/AY8A, CX6VM/CW5W, and
XE1KK. Local presenters included PU5AAD, PY3PR, PY3KD, PY5HSD, PY1NB,
PP5JD, and PY5CC/PP5XX. You can see some of the happenings as YouTube
<http://www.youtube.com/> videos (search for "CTU Brasil"), including
top long-distance attendee PV8DXs video summary
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=O9HiVn9j0BY>. CTU has now been held in
Dayton, Friedrichshafen, England, Italy, and Brasil...rapidly becoming

a global program. Thanks to the Araucaria DX Group, Icom, and local companies for supporting CTU! (Thanks, WRTC-2014 co-chairs, Doug K1DG and Randy K5ZD)

I'm sorry to report the sudden passing of Scott Lehman, N9AG - a member of the J6DX contest team and their QSL manager as well as for PJ2T and other J6 and PJ2 calls.

Web Site of the Week - Tim K3LR reports that Gene Zimmerman, W3ZZ received the Central States VHF Society <http://www.csvhfs.org/> (CSVHF) Presidents Award during its 45th annual conference this weekend in Irving, TX. The CSVHF Presidents award recognizes Gene's unselfish contribution of his time and knowledge to the Amateur Radio hobby. These awards arevery rare - there are only two other recipients of this award in the last 45 years. Congratulations, Gene!

==> SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

The featured item in this category is a new WRTC-2014 video <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yNyMAMjRNuA> by professional videographer James 9V1YC. If you are asked, "What is WRTC and why should I support it?" you could offer this video as a good start! The high quality of video production and running time of just under 5 minutes makes it ideal for use at radio club meetings, for introducing amateur radio to young people, or promoting ham radio at public events.

WORD TO THE WISE

Salt water - can it help your HF signal? After extensive research in a previously undisclosed beach-front location, I can conclusively report that the answer is yes!

==> RESULTS AND RECORDS

Tom K9BTQ reports that results for the 2011 Wisconsin QSO Party <http://www.warac.org/wqp/wqp.htm> are online including a PDF version <http://www.warac.org/wqp/2011/11results.pdf> of the writeup.

OPERATING TIP

Use a coaster when putting a cold 807 on your log sheets - and use a pencil since graphite does not run when wet.

==> TECHNICAL TOPICS AND INFORMATION

For some fun summer techie reading, check out the Design News magazine "Sherlock Ohms <http://www.designnews.com/archives.asp?section_id=1368>" column. The recent "High-Resistance Shorts" is a good example. I attribute shorts resistance to my failure to watch what I eat on vacation but maybe it is electrical after all...

Technical Web Site of the Week - What do you think would happen if you brought one of these

<http://www.eweekeurope.co.uk/news/scavenging-free-green-power-from-radio-waves-35622>
into the near field of a big multi-multi station? (Thanks, Kirk K4RO)

==> CONVERSATION

RTTY RKKY RNDP

We have an excellent opportunity coming up to capitalize on the computer savvy of new and potential hams! The upcoming ARRL Rookie Roundup <http://www.arrl.org/rookie-roundup> (August 21st, 1800-2400 UTC) will be conducted using RTTY for the first time. While watching the St Charles Amateur Radio Club's excellent Field Day GOTA station coach, Jeff AC0SC, lead new hams through the paces of making PSK31 QSOs I realized that digital operation is probably the most comfortable and thus the most attractive for someone just getting involved with ham radio.

Why not phone? After all, everybody can talk, right? Well, sure, but making a phone QSO is a brand-new and awfully unfamiliar process for non-hams. Aside from mike fright, general nervousness and self-consciousness, there is all that QRN and QRM to contend with, the weird (to rookies) contact protocol and exchange, the hard-to-understand (again, to rookies) filtered and low-fidelity voice, and so forth. All of these make it hard for a rookie to jump right in with confidence.

On the other hand, digital operating lowers the psychological barriers to entry quite a bit (so to speak). No more scratchy voices - on RTTY, all you have to do is just line up the signal peaks or get the ellipses balanced on the display and the software does the rest. No one will ever hear your nervous voice and the keyboard doesn't care if your fingers are a little uncertain. The interface is completely familiar to most people - keyboard and mouse and computer software. The contact protocol is easy to learn without all the other simultaneous distractions - select the colored call sign, press the macro key, wait for the response, accept the information and press another macro key. Presto - you just made a contest QSO! As the photo shows, even my mom made a digital contact under Jeff's patient tutelage. In the past 40 years, I could no more get her to make a voice contact than jump off the high dive - fuggidaboudit! Yet there she was putting a WB0HSI contact in the log!

So here's your assignment - get together with the Field Day GOTA coach and reach out to one or two of the most interested rookies. Invite them over to your station for a Sunday afternoon of operating - for an hour or the whole contest. If you don't have a GOTA log to work from, contact the local general-purpose radio club and find those new hams. Get them on the air! The Rookie Roundup is a low-pressure way to show how simple contacts can be made using skills they may already have in an environment with which they are already familiar.

What's that - your station isn't set up for RTTY? This is great opportunity for YOU, then, isn't it? There is plenty of time to put together or buy a simple audio interface. Many late-model radios even have direct data interfaces to simplify the connection even further. Just do an on-line search for your radio model and RTTY or digital modes - you may be surprised at how simple it can be. I am a poster boy for this - I've dabbled in RTTY and PSK31, but having made the invitation, I am now going to have my station set up for low-power RTTY and PSK31 operation by the 21st. (I may even get my mom back over here...)

What's that - your contest software isn't set up for RTTY? Another great opportunity! The latest word is that the N1MM software package will have a version that supports RTTY for the Rookie Roundup in time for the contest. Other contest packages support RTTY and you can operate the contest using a "General QSO" configuration in most cases. Another option is to create a free account on In The Log <http://inthelog.com/> and enter your contact information separately from whatever digital mode software you use. As an added bonus, stations using In The Log can see the scoring totals of all other Rookie Roundup participants using In The Log, too!

The biggest name in RTTY contesting, Don AA5AU <rttycontesting.com> is thoroughly supportive of the RTTY Rookie Roundup as is CQ WW DX Contest manager, Ed W0YK. They know how much fun digital mode contesting is and how easy it is to get going...once you get started.

So what's holding you back? Recruit a rookie or two, get your station configured, clear off the operating desk and have some summertime fun. Who knows, you might find yourself jumping into an RTTY contest or two yourself? There are more "Dig" checks in the Contest Corral's <http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar> mode column every month!

73, Ward N0AX

==> CONTESTS

3 August through 16 August

An expanded, downloadable version of QST's Contest Corral in PDF format <http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar> is available. Check the sponsor's Web site for information on operating time restrictions and other instructions.

HF CONTESTS

North American QSO Party--CW, from Aug 6, 1800Z to Aug 7, 0600Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: Name and state. Logs due: 14 days. Rules <http://ncjweb.com/>

SNS and NS Weekly Sprints--CW, from Aug 5, 0200Z to Aug 5, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-14. Exchange: Serial, name, and S/P/C. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.ncccsprint.com/rules.html>

Lighthouse-Lightship Week--Phone,CW,Digital, from Aug 6, 0000Z to Aug 7, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Frequencies: See website. Exchange: Serial or ARLHS mbr/light nr and name, S/P/C. Logs due: Aug 31. Rules <http://illw.org/>

TARA Grid Dip Shindig--Digital, from Aug 6, 0000Z to Aug 6, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 160-28, 50. Exchange: Name and 4-char grid square. Logs due: Sep 3. Rules <http://www.n2ty.org/seasons/tara_grid_rules.html>

10-10 Summer Phone QSO Party--Phone, from Aug 6, 0001Z to Aug 7, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 28. Exchange: Call, name, 10-10 number, S/P/C. Logs due: Aug 22. Rules <http://www.ten-ten.org/>

European HF Championship--Phone,CW, from Aug 6, 1200Z to Aug 6, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RS(T), last two digits of 1st year licensed. Logs due: Aug 31. Rules <http://lea.hamradio.si/%7Escc/euhf/euhfc.htm>

South Africa DX Contest--Phone, from Aug 7, 1300Z to Aug 7, 1630Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Exchange: RS and serial. Logs due: 14 Aug. Rules <http://www.sarl.org.za/>

NAQCC Monthly QRP Sprint--CW, from Aug 10, 0030Z to Aug 10, 0230Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Frequencies: Monthly on 2nd Tuesday or 3rd Wednesday (alternating). Exchange: RST, S/P/C, and NAQCC mbr nr or power. Logs due: 4 days. Rules <http://naqcc.info/>

CWops Monthly Mini-CWT Test--CW, from Aug 10, 1300Z to Aug 11, 0400Z - multiple operating periods. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Frequencies: 18 to 28 kHz above band edge. Exchange: Name and member number or S/P/C. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.cwops.org/onair.html>

Worked All Europe--CW, from Aug 13, 0000Z to Aug 14, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST and serial (see Web for QTC rules). Logs due: 15 days. Rules <http://www.waedc.de/>

Dominican Republic Contest--Phone, from Aug 13, 0000Z to Aug 14, 0000Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-7. Exchange: RS and serial. Logs due: 4 Sep. Rules <http://www.hi8ud.es.tl/>

Maryland-DC QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Aug 13, 1600Z to Aug 14, 0400Z to Aug 15, 0000Z - multiple operating periods. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50-440, Frequencies: see website. Exchange: Maryland County/City or S/P/C. Logs due: Sep 14. Rules <http://mdcqsoparty.w3vpr.org/>

Straight Key Weekend Sprint--CW, from Aug 14, 0000Z to Aug 14, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50. Exchange: RST, QTH, name, member number. Logs due: 5 days. Rules <http://www.skccgroup.com/sprint/wes>

VHF+ CONTESTS

ARRL UHF Contest--Phone,CW,Digital, from Aug 6, 1800Z to Aug 7, 1800Z. Bands (MHz): 222+. Exchange: 4-char grid square. Logs due: Sep 6. Rules <http://arrl.org/contests>

TARA Grid Dip Shindig--Digital, from Aug 6, 0000Z to Aug 6, 2359Z.
Bands (MHz): 160-28, 50. Exchange: Name and 4-char grid square. Logs
due: Sep 3. Rules <http://www.n2ty.org/seasons/tara_grid_rules.html>

Maryland-DC QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Aug 13, 1600Z to Aug 14,
0400Z to Aug 15, 0000Z - multiple operating periods. Bands (MHz):
1.8-28, 50-440, Frequencies: see website. Exchange: Maryland
County/City or S/P/C. Logs due: Sep 14. Rules
<http://mdcqsoparty.w3vpr.org/>

Straight Key Weekend Sprint--CW, from Aug 14, 0000Z to Aug 14, 2359Z.
Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50. Exchange: RST, QTH, name, member number. Logs
due: 5 days. Rules <http://www.skccgroup.com/sprint/wes>

==> LOG DUE DATES

3 August through 16 August

August 2 - PODXS 070 Club 40m Firecracker Sprint
<http://www.podxs070.com/40-meter-firecracker-sprint>

August 3 - MI QRP July 4th CW Sprint
<http://www.qsl.net/miqrpclub/contest.html>

August 3 - ARS Flight of the Bumblebees
<http://adventure-radio.org/wiki/index.php?title=Bee_Rules>

August 4 - ARS Spartan Sprint
<http://adventure-radio.org/wiki/index.php?title=Spartan_Sprint_Rules>

August 8 - FISTS Summer Sprint <http://www.fists.org/sprints.html>

August 9 - IARU HF World Championship
<http://www.arrl.org/iaru-hf-championship>

August 10 - ARCI Summer Homebrew Sprint
<http://www.qrparci.org/content/view/7516/118/>

August 10 - DL-DX RTTY Contest
<http://drcg.de/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=24&Itemid=36%E2%8C%A9=en>

August 14 - WAB 144 MHz QRO Phone
<http://wab.intermip.net/Contest%20Rules.php#OtherRules>

August 16 - CQC Great Colorado Gold Rush
<http://www.cqc.org/contests/gold2011.htm>

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708. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2011-021E - RAC ARES Section Restructuring Committee.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
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2011-08-03

During 2010, RAC established the Field Organization Review Project under the leadership of Doug Mercer VO1DM, Vice President of Field Services and with a committee of Section Managers and other volunteers reviewed the current Field Organization model and made certain observations which were reviewed by the Directors and Executive during the October 2010 vision/mission session in Ottawa.

In May 2011 a new regional model was approved by the Board which expanded the role of the regions from ARES only to a complete model with a wide and complete range of responsibilities. Further to this implementation came the realization that further changes may be necessary in our larger regions such as Ontario.

To improve representation to our members and to ensure that the task of our Section Managers is realistic in terms of member access and service, the RAC Section Restructuring Commission has been formed with the task of how best we can serve our membership. The Commission will determine the most effective number of Section Managers and other positions and any further regional such divisions which may be required. The final report is expected by November 2011, with implementation in 2012.

Members of the Commission are Bill Unger VE3XT, Director Ontario Northeast (Chair), Jeffery Stewart VA3WXM, Director Ontario South, Pat Barrett VE3RNH, Vic Henderson VE3FOX and a member yet to be named.

Questions or comments should be directed to Doug Mercer VO1DM, Vice President Field Services.

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709. [DXNL] DXNL 1739 (Aug 3, 2011)

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CE0Y, EASTER ISLAND, SA-001
Frank will upload the logs for the CE0Y/I2DMI DXpedition announced in
DXNL 1738 to the LoTW and eQSL after his return.

CT9, MADEIRA, AF-014
John,CT9/IZ2DPX, will be active from Madeira (AF-014) on all HF bands
and maybe also on 6m from Aug 7-21.
QSLs via bureau to his homecall, direct QSLs via IK2DUW.
http://ik2duw.altervista.org
http://www.cq3l.de/viewpage.php?page_id=1

EA, SPAIN
Depending on the weather the ERU Team Valencia is going to activate the
summit EA5/CS-014 for the SOTA award from a peak with 1.099m height in
the Parc Natural de la Serra d'Espada on Friday, August 5. Their call
will be EA5URV/p mainly on 40m, 2m (SSB/FM) and if possible also 20m.

EA6, BALEARIC ISLANDS, EU-004
Jordi,EA6/EA3PT, will show up from Menorca (EU-004) from Aug 8-21.
He will work in holiday style (at least 1 hour per day) only in SSB
on 40m/20m/17m/15m/12m/10m. His preferred band is 17m.
QSL via LoTW or via his homecall.

J2, DJIBOUTI
Jacob,KB0ZIA, is working as J28FJ from Djibouti-City until spring 2012.
He is new to the DX business and works in SSB on 40m-10m until Septem-
ber. He may use also digital modes later.

JD1/MT, MINAMI TORISHIMA, OC-073
Take is working as JG8NQJ/JD1 from Minami Torishima (OC-073) mainly on
17m and 30m until the mid of October. He will return to the island in
December and plans to work on all bands then.
A special QSL card for this activity is available via his homecall.

JT, MONGOLIA
Seihachi,JA7LU, is signing JT1LU from Ulaanbaatar from Aug 1-7.
QSLs direct via homecall, JA stations only may send via bureau as well.
He will be accompanied by JT1AWN (JH1AWN), JT1AGO (JA7AGO) and
JT1ZP (JA7ZP) and they are working in CW/SSB/RTTY/PSK31 on 80m-6m
(maybe 160m). QSLs via homecalls.

OE, AUSTRIA
The HAM scouts of the CTS (CLUB TELESCOUT) already hit the airwaves
mainly on the usual scout QRGs using the scout club callsign OE1XJA/5
(or OE5J in contests) from Bad Ischl-Haiden (JN67sr) between Jul 27
and Aug 6. They have two occasions to celebrate: The 22nd World Scout
Jamboree in Sweden and the 60th anniversary of the World Scout Jamboree
in Bad Ischl-Haiden. Their QTH is the original campsite of 1951.
See also: http://www.telescout.org

ST0, SOUTH SUDAN
The ST0R DXpedition has already logged more than 65.000 QSOs. They also
demonstrated and explained amateur radio to local adolescents.

TA, TURKEY
Listen for TC1LHW (Karaburun lighthouse) and TC7LHW (Yoros lighthouse)
from the Black Sea coastline from Aug 1-8. QSL via TA1HZ.

TI, COSTA RICA
If you are interested to become an operator of TI5N during the next
ARRL DX Contest in SSB on Mar 3/4, 2012, please contact OM Kyle via
e-mail to: wa4pgm@embarqmail.com

V3, BELIZE
Colin,KU5B, will show up as V31UB in SSB, CW and digital modes on 80-6m
from Aug 5-10. QSL direct via homecall and LoTW.

RUSSIA, SPECIAL EVENT STATION
The radio amateurs of the Komi Republic are going to celebrate the
90th anniversary of the Komi Republic by activating the special event
station UE90K during the month of August from following cities:
DATE QTH Responsible HAM
Aug 1 Syktyvkar R9XC
Aug 2/3 Vorkuta R9XE
Aug 4/5 Inta RA9XY
Aug 6/7 Ustj-Kulom UB9XT (expedition)
Aug 8/9 Petschora R9XA
Aug 10/11 Sosnogorsk R9XV
Aug 12 Ussinsk RA9XSK
Aug 13/14 expedition to a rayon of the Komi Republic
Aug 15 Ussinsk RA9XSK
Aug 16/17 Uchta UA9XAB
Aug 18/19 Emwa RA9XA
Aug 20/21 expedition to a rayon of the Komi Republic
Aug 22/23 Objatschewo R8XX
Aug 24/25 Ussogorsk RW9XC
Aug 26 Mikunj R8XJ

Aug 27/28 expedition to a rayon of the Komi Republic
Aug 29 Mikunj R8XJ
Aug 30/31 Eshwa RT8X
QSL cards for all activities should be sent via UA9XL.

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Aug 6: European HF Championship
Aug 6/7: North American QSO Party

WFF Activities

DLFF-039: DL/ON4ACA is active until the end of August. QSL via ON4ACA.
DLFF-045: DG6PY/p is working from the natural park Bergstrasse-Odenwald
until Aug 16.
LZFF: Laci,LZ/HA0HW, Tomi,LZ/HA4DX, and Ivan,LZ1PJ, are travelling from the
Serbian border to the Black Sea from Aug 6-21. They will activate
several national parks for a few hours and plan to make a side trip
to IOTA EU-181 during the second week as well. Listen for the mainly
in CW and SSB on 40m/30m/20m/17m. QSLs via homecalls (bureau/direct).

IOTA collected by Ric,DL2VFR (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AS-147, JA8, Hokkaido's Coastal Islands: JJ8DEN/8 is doing some island
hopping along the coast of Hokkaido until Aug 7. He is working in
CW/RTTY/PSK31/JT65A on 40m-6m from Rishiri, Rebun, Teuri and Yagishiri.
QSL via homecall (bureau/direct).

EU-009, GM/O, Orkney & EU-012; GM/SH, Shetland and Fair Isle: Andre,GM3VLB,
is on tour again. He activates several islands in both groups in SSB
on 14.257,5 kHz until Aug 18. Andre confirms QSOs only direct.
See also: http://www.qrz.com/callsign/GM3VLB

EU-016, 9A, Dalmatia South group: 9A/IK6XVO and 9A/IK6JNH are working from
Drvenik Veli until Aug 5. QSLs via homecalls (bureau/direct).

EU-031, I*8, Campania Region group: An Italian group plans to activate
Licosa as IC8L on Aug 7. QSL via IZ8EGM.

EU-146, PA, Zuid Holland / Zeeland Province group: PE1OPM and PE1OXV will
show up as PE1OPM/p from Schouwen Duiveland on Aug 9-12.
QSLs via homecalls (bureau/direct).

EU-162, UA, White Sea Coast group: Nick,RA1QQ/1, is going to become active
from Kandalakshskiy lighthouse on Malyy between Jul 28 and Aug 10.
More trips to other lighthouses or islands are possible as well.

QSL via homecall.

EU-172, OZ, Jylland East and Fyn group: Ric,DL2VFR, will sign OZ0FR/p from
Aero mainly in CW from Aug 6-19. He may visit also the lighthouses
Skjoldnes and Soby Havn for a few hours. QSL via DL2VFR.
See also: http://www.iota-expedition.com

NA-045, XE3, Quintana Roo State North Group: XF3/IZ2LSC is going to visit
Isla de Mujeres from Aug 9-15. He will upload his log to the LoTW also.
Direct QSLs via EB7DX. Bureau QSLs via homecall.
His website is: http://www.timpy.it/xf3

XF1/K5ENS is already staying on Mujeres until Nov 14 and is not using
the right prefix (instead of XF3). His QTH is near to the lighthouse
ARLHS MEX-139. QSL via LoTW, eQSL or direct via K5ENS.

NA-111, W2, New Jersey State group: N2OB will be QRV mainly in SSB on 20/40m
from "Old Barney" (Barnegat Lighthouse ARLHS USA-039) on Beach Island
on Aug 6. QSL via N2OB (bureau/direct).

NA-142, K4, Florida State North West (Escambia to Walton County) group:
N8CHS/4 announced to become active from Santa Rosa from Aug 7-12.
QSLs only direct via homecall.

IOTA Contest: A list of many participating OPs on islands can be found at:
http://www.iota-expedition.com/IOTA2011/iota2011.html

Bandspots of the last 7 days

80m
ST0R 3.504 0254Z via EA5RM (B), OQRS

40m
IS0/OE5IRO/p 7.118 1042Z SOTA IS-303
IS0/OE5RTP/p 7.118 1042Z SOTA IS-303
SX8R 7.024 0433Z via HA0NAR (B)

30m
DQ1175E 10.115 1537Z via DL5DCL (B)
F2YT/p 10.117 1510Z
OZ/DL4FO 10.119 1432Z via homecall (B), EU-172
SP/DL7DF 10.119 1555Z via homecall (B)
UR4MZA/p 10.105 1430Z URFF-014

20m
KI6J 14.063 1818Z CT-021
LA/DL1DXA 14.040 1540Z via homecall (B)
OZ/DK4MX 14.040 1808Z via homecall (B), EU-172
OZ2SPACE 14.017 1544Z via OZ7AKT (B)
http://www.oz7akt.dk/oz2space/space.htm
PT155FD 14.512 1002Z via PS7AB (B), eQSL
ST0R 14.025 1225Z via EA5RM (B), OQRS
ST0R 14.145 0640Z via EA5RM (B), OQRS

TF5B 14.085 2030Z (B)
TK/OE5IRO/p 14.275 1548Z TK-121
TK/OE5RTP/p 14.275 1548Z TK-121
UR4MZA/p 14.023 1515Z URFF-014
ZL4PW 14.021 0448Z
9A/DH1NAX 14.200 0605Z EU-170, via homecall (B)

17m
RU6DX 18.073 1704Z EU-185
ST0R 18.074 1110Z via EA5RM (B), OQRS
ST0R 18.100 0731Z via EA5RM (B), OQRS

15m
OZ/DF2SD 21.260 2313Z EU-125
ST0R 21.024 0536Z via EA5RM (B), OQRS
7Z1HL 21.025 1400Z via DJ9ZB (B)

12m
ST0R 24.894 1654Z via EA5RM (B), OQRS

10m
ST0R 28.024 1614Z via EA5RM (B), OQRS

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(L) = LoTW
(r) = bureau QSL via e-mail request

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

-Dec 3Y8XSA 1700/1717
-25Ok 5B50J 1700
-Apr/12 5Z4RH ? 1674
Jul 7Q7MH 1734
-30Nov 8J1MORSE.. 1731
23Jul-14Aug 8P9XC 1737
-31Dec 9A11P 1723
-05Aug 9A/IK6XVO.. 1739 *
-Sep 9J2KK 1682
NOW 9M2/KM9D 1731
SOON 9Q1EK 1669
-Nov 9Q6CC 1699

-Aug A92IO 1663
-31Dec BP100 1684
-31Dec BV100 1684
30Jul-08Aug CE0Y/I2DMI 1738/1739 *
01Aug-07Aug CS2W 1738
07Aug-21Aug CT9/IZ2DPX 1739 *
-31Dec CW5RV 1711
-16Aug DG6PY/p 1739 *

28Jul-10Aug DK3CH 1738
28Jul-05Aug DL1WH 1738
-31Aug DL20Y2DM 1700, Finish: The special event station to
celebrate the 20th anniversary DL20Y2DM
is active until the end of August.
30Jul-13Aug DL0WFF 1738
-Aug DL/ON4ACA 1739 *

01Aug-07Aug EA5ENT & EA5TW 1738
05Aug EA5URV/p 1739 *
08Aug- 21Aug EA6/EA3PT 1739 *
25Jul-05Aug EO2011U 1738
27Jul-03Aug ES4GP/ES4WK 1738
-Aug FO8RZ 1636
-Jul/12 FR8NE 1710
22Jul-04Aug FP/K9OT.. 1737
-18Aug GM3VLB (IOTA) 1739 *
-31Dec HB60LU 1711
-31Dec HG15IPA 1724
01Jan-31Dec HG200LST 1708

01Jan-31Dec IA7MM 1708
07Aug IC8L 1739 *
01Jan-31Dec II1ITA.. 1708
01Mar-30Sep IO4UI 1717
-2012 J28FJ 1739 *
-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul/12 J28RO 1683
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
01Aug-07Aug JD1BLY (Og.) 1738
-Oct JG8NQJ/JD1 (M) 1739 *
-07Aug JJ8DEN/8 1739 *
-07Aug JT1FDB 1737
01Aug-07Aug JT1LU 1739 *

16Jun-05Sep K1VSJ 1732
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
-May/12 KH4/W5FJG 1728
POSTPONED KH5 1674/1705
-31Dec LA200D 1713
-31Dec LZ85R 1721
-08Aug LZ05WFF 1738
06Aug-21Aug LZ/HA4YX/p.. 1739 *
06Aug N2OB (NA-111) 1739 *
07Aug-12Aug N8CHS/4 1739 *
27Jul-06Aug OE1XJA/5 1739 *
28Jul-04Sep OH1K 1738
Aug OL100VP 1721
29Jul-05Aug OZ7BQ/p 1738
24Jul-05Aug OZ7VEA 1737
06Aug-19Aug OZ0FR/p 1739 *

24Jul-05Aug OZ/DH3BEA 1738

-Sep P29CW 1713
01Jan-31Dec PA30.. 1708
28Jul-10Aug RA1QQ/p 1739 *
-Dec RI1ANC 1708
27Jul-07Aug SJ22S 1738
22Jul-10Aug ST0R # 1737/1738
26Jul-08Aug SV5/DJ4MH 1738
-Jun/12 T6MO 1733
-Nov T6SH 1734
01Aug-08Aug TC1LHW 1739 *
01Aug-08Aug TC7LHW 1739 *
23Jul-06Aug TK11OTA 1737
Aug UE90K 1739 *

05Aug-10Aug V31UB 1739 *
30Jul-05Aug V63FAA 1738
-Mar/12 VK0KEV (Macq) 1700/1701
May -Aug W3CVD/4 1726
18Jul-25Aug W4/DF2MM 1736
30Jul-14Aug WA8LOW/KH8 1738
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
26Jul-08Aug XE3/IZ2LSC 1737
-14Nov XF1/K5ENS 1739 *
09Aug-15Aug XF3/IZ2LSC 1739 *
NOW XT2RJA 1712
08Aug-11Aug ZB2/VA3ITA 1738
-Sep ZC4MIS 1732
24Jul-09Aug ZD8D 1737
-Sep ZD9GI 1691
-31Dec ZL50GH 1711

= Call can change after the allocation of a new prefix
* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

DP3LUNA via DK1PM (B)
EG1URE via EA1AE (B)
EN85W via UR5WA (L)
EO2011U via UT7UU (B), (L), eQSL
ES4GP via ES5GP (B)
HR9/WQ7R via K5WW (B)
IB0/OM3RM via OM3RM (B)
IB0/OM7JG via OM7JG (B)
II8JC via IQ8BB (B)
IM0/DL2RMC via DL2RMC (B)
IT9/OE5JKL via OE5JKL (B)
LA/SP7VC via SP7VC (B)

MM/DL5SE/LH via DL5SE (B)
MW0REN via DJ6OI (B)
OZ/DK4MX via DK4MX (B)
OZ/DL4FO via DL4FO (B)
R34CZF via RV9CVA (B)
SM6/OE9LTH via OE9LTH (B)
VE3ZZ/VY2 via VE3ZZ (B)
WH0AU via JP3WAU (B)
XE1RK via EA5ZD (d)
ZD8D via DL9HO (B)
4J7WMF via RX3RC (B)
5Q2T via OZ0J (B)
8P9XC via DF1XC (B)
9A/HA5AZZ via 9A3JB (B)
9M2/KM9D via OM2SA (d), (L)

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(B) = bureau ok
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(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) = e-mail request

QSLs arrived direct: TJ9PF (via F5OGL), VP8ORK (AN-008, VE3XN)

QSL via LoTW: 3C0C, 3C9B, 5B4AIF, 5B50J, 5H3EH, 5R8WW, 5X1VB,
5Z4/UA4WHX/A, 6V6U, 6V7W, 7P8AA, 8R1PW, 8R1RPN,
9A/DJ8QP, 9J2RI, 9L1MS, 9L1MS/p, 9M2/KM9D, 9X0SP,
B7P, BA7NQ, K8LEE/CY0, N1SNB/CY0, DX1EA, EA6/DL7UCX,
EW8OM, F/DL6KR, HP1WW, PY5AP, S9DX, SE1TDE, ST2VB,
SV8/SV1JG, T31A, TA2EY, TF5B, TF/VE2XAA, TJ9PF, TM7CC,
UA9MRX/3, V31ME, VK8PW/8, VP5/W4OX, VP8ORK, XE1/DJ4EL,
YA/G0TJQ, ZA1A, ZS8MI, 3C0C, 3C9B, 5B4AIF, 5B50J,
5H3EH, 5R8WW, 5X1VB, 5Z4/UA4WHX/A, 6V6U, 6V7W, 7P8AA,
8R1PW, 8R1RPN and 9A/DJ8QP

50 MHz

HAMs in Portugal and Slovenia get more space for amateur radio on the 6m
band. Starting from Apr 4, 2012, amateur radio operation on 6m is allowed
on 50-52 MHz in Portugal (at the moment on 50,0-50,5 MHz). The Portuguese
PTT explains that with the shutdown of analog television. Slovenian HAMs
can work on 5260 kHz with 100 watts - for one year. This information is
spread by the British Southgate Amateur Radio Club and the Swiss news portal
Hamnews.

Many thanks for contributing to this issue of the DXNL are going to:
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IZ2DPX, NG3K, OE2IKN, UA9XI and others.

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Many thanks for contributing to this issue of the DXNL are going to:
http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxmb/2011

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710. MMMonVHF Newsletter 2011-08-04

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-04 08:00:33 UTC
From: MMMonVHF News Mailer <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <201108040727.p747RKBn029559@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 4350
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

MMMonVHF Newsletter 2011-08-04

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our lastet NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2011-08-04
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter, once a week (thursday)
from now on - if any special activities will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further detail please be so kind and watch our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you vy welcome for any
input and we do hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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** METEORSCATTER in August 2011 **

August marks the return of one of the most popular meteor showers:
the Perseids. Only the ï¿½normalï¿½ peak, with ZHR around 100 hr-1, is
expected to occur this year. According to IMO, the maximum in 2011
is expected to occur on August 13, between 01h and 13h30m UT, with
peak around 06h UT having ZHR = 100 hr-1. No encounters with other
trails are expected this year. Have a look to meteor predictions for
August 2011 (together with some tips about Perseids) at our
MMMonVHF MS Propagationpage: www.MMMonVHF.de/ms.php
SOURCE: Massimo, IV3NDC, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

** next bad news: Vico, I4ZAU, is SK **

I unfortunately have to inform you that Vico, I4ZAU is now SK. He
left us last night after a long lasting struggle with a prostate
cancer. For those who do not know him I can tell you that Vico it
has been one of the major Italian Microwave pioneers especially on
the 10GHz band. He has been a reference point for many of us here,
me included. He was the main founder, heart and soul of IQ4DF, the
C.R.B.R. club in Bagnara di Romagna, Italy. And he is still is.
Moreover he was a person with an enormous heart and I, for everybody
here, like to tell you that we truly have lost a brother. Now you
can freely surf your loved 10Ghz wave Vico...
SOURCE: Sergio, IK2MMB via MoonNet

** MMMonVHF and DUBUS 144 MHz Meteorscatter-Sprint Contest **

The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF in cooperation with the magazines DUBUS and Funk-Telegramm (by Joachim, DL8HCZ) invited you to take part in our 144 MHz Meteorscatter Sprint Contest, which took place for the first time in the 2008 Perseid shower. The 144 MHz Meteorscatter Sprint Contest will take place each year on the day of the from IMO (International Meteor Organization) announced maximum of the Perseid shower. 2011 contest period: Date: 12./13. August 2011 Time period for 48 hours: start 12.August 00:00hrs till end 13.August 2011 23:59hrs "UT" (End time of the last complete QSO) !! NEW !! Reference data for 2011 by the IMO: expected Perseids Maximum 2011: August 13th. 07:09UT with a expected ZHR of 100. Read all in detail at the overview and rule page: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/ctest.php SOURCE: Erwin, DK5EW, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: KH6 ; Square: BL02 ; Start: 2011-07-30 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3844

LATEST NEWS from Jeremy, W7EME, dated 2011-08-02: Aloha to all: I work only 21 stations today. I am answering only Eu during the short Europe windows, the USA and Oceana. Multiple calls from the same station are also being avoided. 3rd August is last day BL20. Moonrise about 2000z and I have some skeds. After that 144.144 calling CQ. Thursday be back Kaua'i BL02 for a couple more days. SOURCE: tnx to Jeremy, W7EME, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: SM-LA ; Square: JP-KP ; Start: 2011-08-02 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3930

Ingo, SM6CMU, will be on his regular yearly holiday tour to north LA and SM2, SM3 area LATEST NEWS direct from Ingo, SM6CMU, dated 2011-08-02: will leave on the usual trip to Lofoten tomorrow (Tuesday). this trip 6 meter only but will be on 50.255 JT6M every evening. Monitoring band propagation when driving. Wednesdag after noon JP63, Thursday JP74, Friday JP95 and so on and arriving JP79we on Monday afternoon and statying there for three nights but will also tour JP89 and JP78. Returning same route and will be back in SM6 on the 15th. SOURCE: tnx to Ingo, SM6CMU, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: OK ; Square: JO70 ; Start: 2011-08-10 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3952

OK1TEH will be QRV during Perseids shower on 432 MHz from JO70FD
Hi all. OK1TEH will be QRV during Perseids shower on 432 MHz with 800W SSPA + LNA at antenna + 23el DK7ZB 5,7m long. My RX should be some 2dB better then in 2010 season. I'm looking for new stations for 70cm MS test in FSK441, especially from UA/OH to break my own distance record of 1932km. If you have some 100W + 20el yagi or better, please don't be shy to ask me for sked at my email: ok1teh"at"seznam.cz All info about 70cm MS you can find at my web: http://ok1teh.nagano.cz/ms_70cmlog.htm#tricks
During shower I'll be also QRV MS on 70+144 MHz.
SOURCE: tnx Matej, OK1TEH, direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** LX, LUXEMBOURG, Low Land DXpedition Team qrv in JN29 **

Following their successful 2011 DXpedition to Jersey, members of the "Low Land DXpedition Team" (LLDXT) are now planning a trip to Luxembourg. Operators Ronald/PA3EWP, Jo/PA9JO, Dennis/PA7FM and Alex/PA1AW will be signing LX/homecall between August 30th and September 6th. Activity will be on all modes and all bands between 160-2 meters using several yagis and monoband antennas. The team is willing to accept activity requests reflecting the demand for LX worldwide. More details are available on their Web sites at:
http://lx2011.lldxt.nl --or--
http://www.cqfriends.com/user.asp?username=lx2011
This DXpedition is supported by CQFRIENDS.COM, the new InterNet community for radio-amateurs. QSL all callsigns via PA1AW.
SOURCE: [GOLIST] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1021

** Andy M0CTR qrv holidaystyle (Aug, 13rd-26th) from Jersey **

Lots of cw activity especially evenings . 100w on 6m and long 2.5m 3el yagi @ 12m high but good takeoff and ears , lots of CW operation and FB operator. on the HF low bands will use loop antenna @ 12m and vertical etc with 3x572b amplifier [400w] 100% qsl via homecall address. last year he worked 100s qsos on 6m and also many more on HF but this year with larger 6m antenna and more power on HF low bands. maybe operate other HF bands but depends on time available as there is family to fit in as well although his wife is very lenient and patient and sympathetic towards ham radio for many years now.
SOURCE: tnx to Andy, M0CTR, direct to MMMonVHF

** EA, SPAIN - SOTA Activity **

Depending on the weather the ERU Team Valencia is going to activate the summit EA5/CS-014 for the SOTA award from a peak with 1.099m height in the Parc Natural de la Serra d'Espada on Friday, August 5. Their call will be EA5URV/p mainly on 40m, 2m (SSB/FM) and if possible also 20m. SOURCE: [DXNL] DXNL 1739 (Aug 3, 2011)

** PG6HK qrv International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend **

PG6HK - During the International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend (August 20-21st) the special callsign PG6HK will be on the air and will be active from the old lighthouse in Harderwijk [aka De Visch poort](NL0038, NET-162), Netherlands. The team will be active on several modes on HF and VHF. Operators mentioned are Cil/PA1RBZ, Gert/PA2LO, Michel/PD0JMB, Ben/ PD0PDB and Jack/PD2J. QSL via PA2LO. For more details, see: http://www.PG6HK.com
SOURCE: [DX-ENG] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1020

** Cocos Keeling Is., VK9C. **

Babs, DL7AFS and Lot, DJ7ZG will be active as VK9CX from the from Cocos (Keeling) Islands between 19 October and 9 November 2011. Plans are to be QRV on 80-6 metres, mainly in RTTY, PSK and SSB. QSL via DL7AFS. Updates and online log search will be available at: www.qsl.net/dl7afs/ SOURCE: Sixitalia Weekly

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** ST0R Update **

SOUTH SUDAN UPDATE. Here is the latest information regarding the South Sudan DXpedition from Paul, N6PSE: Dispatch Juba: The ST0R team continues to work through the pile ups, now passing the 60,000 QSO mark. We are continuing to run five stations and and we are trying to get QSOs into the hands of all who need them. As is the custom and practice of the Intrepid-DX Group, we have invited local youth to visit our operation. Today, we arranged a visit of 25 boys from the Juba Secondary Boy's Academy. We gave the boys a tour of the ST0R shack and explained to them the various aspects of amateur radio. We allowed them to listen as we made QSOs across the world. We have recorded this visit on the ST0R photos page http://www.dxfriends.com/SouthernSudan2011/photos.php
We are just at the half-way mark of the DXpedition and we will continue to be active until August 10th, 2011. Thank you
SOURCE: The ST0R Team via [GOLIST] Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin

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** YB9/GM3OOK and YB9/G4JVG from Bali (OC-022) **

John, 9M6XRO, and Steve, 9M6DXX, will be operating 'holiday style' as YB9/GM3OOK and YB9/G4JVG from Bali (OC-022) from 12 to 15 Sept.

on a stopover while on their way to Timor-Leste for the 4W6A DX-pedition. Activity will be part time but on all bands 6m to 80m using CW and RTTY (YB9/GM3OOK) and SSB (YB9/G4JVG) using 100W to beam antennas. QSL both YB9/GM3OOK and YB9/G4JVG via M0URX, direct, bureau, LoTW and OQRS (see www.m0urx.com/qsl-request-form).
SOURCE: Steve, 9M6DXX / G4JVG via GOLIST

** American Samoa, KH8, qrv on HF and 50 MHz **

Ron, WA8LOW and other four operators will be active as WA8LOW/KH8 from Tutuila, American Samoa on 1-17 August. They will run four high power stations on 160-6 metres all modes. QSL via WA8LOW.
SOURCE: Sixitalia Weekly

** CT9, MADEIRA ISLANDS, qrv on HF and 50 MHz **

John, IZ2DPX, will be active as CT9/IZ2DPX from the CR3L Santana station <http://www.cq3l.de/viewpage.php?page_id=? 1> on the Island of Madeira (AF-014) between August 7-21st. Activity will be on the HF bands and possibly 6 meters. QSL via his home callsign by the Bureau or direct to IK2DUW. Log available at:
http://ik2duw.altervista.org/iz2dpxmadeira.html
SOURCE: [GOLIST] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1021

** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php) to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 2359 UTC ...

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** Many thanks to all our USER who did send us info and News **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/kontact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the

info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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711. HOT SEXY VIDEOS PHOTOS TO TEENAGERS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-04 09:27:28 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <1e851628-b3ee-48dd-a642-2f49eb03ec0c@j14g2000prn.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4401

A TO Z INFORMATION SEE IN THIS SITE

http://atwoztopic.blogspot.com/

ALL HOT PHOTOS SUPER SEXY PHOTOS

http://alltoux.blogspot.com/2010/09/hot-lip-kiss-135.html

ALL JOBS SITES FREE SEE

http://jobstwo.blogspot.com/

HOT VIDEOS

http://hotvideotoou.blogspot.com/2011/01/kiss-videos.html

hot lip kiss
http://hotvidos.blogspot.com/2010/07/hot-lip-kiss.html
hot kisses
http://hotvidos.blogspot.com/2010/07/hot-kisses.html
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http://hotvidos.blogspot.com/2010/07/hollywood-hot-videos.html
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712. [ADMIN] Seeking Test Submissions to rec.radio.amateur.moderated

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-04 10:13:55 UTC
From: "rec.radio.amateur.moderated Admin" <rram@panix.com>
Message-ID: <j1bp0q$9vc$1@reader1.panix.com>
Source record: 4402
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc

It has been brought to our attention that one or more major News Service Providers (NSP's) may have their servers misconfigured, and may not be directing posts to rec.radio.amateur.moderated to its moderation team. At least one of these NSP's is a re-seller of private-label news service to many ISP's, so this may have led to a widespread "outage" of posting access to rec.radio.amateur.moderated.

Over the next week (though next Wednesday, August 10th), we are soliciting test articles which we will approve for our newsgroup on a temporary basis. Normally, we do not approve test messages, but are interested in testing propagation, audience, and submitter connectivity at this time, hopefully to try to identify the source(s) of the outage, so that we can contact the affected NSP's to request an appropriate fix. This thread will be closed, and further followups automatically rejected, starting Thursday, August 11th.

Please send such test messages according to the following guidelines:

- Post your test message as a followup to this article, and with the same Subject (optionally with a "Re: " at the start). You may optionally quote the text of this article, or not.

- Include your geographic location (city/state/country), your ISP and NSP (which possibly are the same), and at least your first name and amateur radio callsign (if you have a callsign).

- Articles that otherwise violate our submission guidelines:

http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rram/guidelines.html

will be rejected.

If your article meets the above guidelines, but does not appear on rec.radio.amateur.moderated within 48 hours, please try resubmitting it as an E-mail message to rec-radio-amateur-moderated@panix.com. If it still does not appear, please contact your customer service representatives at your ISP and/or NSP to report a possible local misconfiguration or error.

Thank you for your cooperation, and support of our moderated newsgroup.

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rec.radio.amateur.moderated Admin

713. WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING AUGUST 07 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-04 11:28:58 UTC
From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
Message-ID: <f0eaa469-be38-4326-bc38-835951f5d7be@smxsrv01.vintek.net>
Source record: 4403
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2011-08-07.mp3
Text edition:

THE BEST NEWS YOU'LL GET ALL WEEK

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email nationalnews@wia.org.au

http://www.wia.org.au (click news in member area) Submit your audio news

TWITTER http://twitter.com/VK1WIA

Please.. If you are only submitting text and not audio, write your story as
you would expect to hear it being read back and NEVER send just links & url's.

WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING AUGUST 07 2011.

If you can read the text of this website thank a Teacher.
If you can read it in English thank a Soldier, Sailor or Airman.

NOW TO THE NEWS IN DETAIL FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE OF AUSTRALIA
FOR WEEK COMMENCING AUGUST 7 2011.

A southeast Queensland-based security worker who was called insulting names
on CB radio has won a $5000 payout from her former boss.

The woman from Eagleby, south of Brisbane, hailed from the former Yugoslavia
and complained to the former Anti-Discrimination Commission over offensive
comments allegedly made by a security business owner.

The 65-year-old woman's complaint shone a light on the abusive culture of some
UHF/CB radio transmissions, with one witness admitting he had even encouraged
his four-year-old daughter to use racially loaded terms.

The tribunal was told the security firm had previously employed the complainant
and her son, but fell out with the son in 2008 prior to the alleged abuse.

"The culture of the CB radio conversations between the parties, witnesses and
other users is carried out in an abusive tone with racially vilifying and
sexually harassing words and connotations," the tribunal said.

Read more:
www.brisbanetimes.com.au/queensland/racist-cb-radio-rants-spark-payout-20110802-1i9lb.html
#ixzz1TuwUnqQd

ACMA NEWS

Radio Quiet Zone in VK6, VK4ERM reports:-

The following information from the ACMA will be of future interest to Radio Amateurs travelling in the Meekatharra region of Western Australia.

The Australian Communications and Media Authority has enhanced the radio quiet protections for the Mid West Radio Quiet Zone or RQZ in remote Western Australia (near Boolardy Station), around 200 km east of Meekatharra.

The RQZ was established in 2005 to provide an environment that protects highly sensitive equipment used for radio astronomy from unwanted radiocommunications signals. These arrangements protect the radio telescopes currently in place at the Murchison Radioastronomy Observatory, as well as those proposed in the Australian-New Zealand bid to host the Square Kilometre Array or SKA.

'A clear regulatory framework to support radio quiet arrangements will further assist Australia to create the world's best radioastronomy facility,' said ACMA Chairman, Chris Chapman. 'This will provide a platform that should be ideal for future radioastronomy projects, including the ?1.5 billion SKA project.'

Mr Chapman said the new protection measures provide greater clarity and certainty to the arrangements that protect radioastronomy services in the RQZ.

'The new measures continue to provide for radio quiet while supporting the use of spectrum by other users and placing the lowest feasible burden on industry in the region,' said Mr Chapman. Mr Chapman said the new protection measures will not significantly change the nature of spectrum access and radio quiet arrangements in the Mid West RQZ.

'This will enhance protection for the RQZ by upgrading the existing statements of ACMA administrative practice to more formal regulation,' Mr Chapman said. The introduction of the enhanced protections for the RQZ follows a very extensive consultation process in which the ACMA sought the views of interested stakeholders. The ACMA has also released a Response to Submissions paper that outlines the rationale behind the final package of measures. The paper can be accessed via the internet as can Stakeholder submissions.

This is Ewan VK4ERM wishing you safe travels.

HOME OF THE GOOD GUYS

VK2APQ

Next Sunday the 14th of August Pierce VK2APQ turns 100 and his family has arranged a function for him. It will be held at the Bankstown Trotting Recreational Club.

A buffet lunch is available for purchase.

The time is between 11.30 am and 3 pm.

The address of the Trotting club is 178 Eldridge Road, Bankstown - not far from the Bankstown airport.

If you would like to attend please contact Pat Skeers Today the 7th at the latest on 0404 486 406

(Tim VK2ZTM)

FROM GOOD TO BAD!

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/
Police Roundup http://www.vicpolicenews.com.au/

Have you ever wanted to be BAD?

Well a large group of VK and ZL amateurs are going to be BAD for thee days in fact they are going to be VERY BAD , VK3BAD that is.

VK3BAD will we active from Cape Liptrap from Friday 19th August through Monday 22nd August, from Bear Gully cottages just down the road from the Cape Liptrap Lighthouse.

Our team of eighteen amateurs will be active on most HF bands so please listen out for us, when we are not cooking steaks , drinking red wine and generally having a BAD time we will be on the air and eager to take your call.

This is John VK3DQ who's going to be a BAD boy "

Keep an ear out for VK3WI during the Remembrance Day and the International Lighthouse and Lightship weekends, and earn bonus points towards the Amateur Radio Victoria Century Award.

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

VK4 - QNEWS
web service local audio news:- www.wiaq.com/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
local news email qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
VKR Roundup http://www.police.qld.gov.au/News+and+Alerts/Media+Releases/

CENTRAL QUEENSLAND AR CLUB
Rockhampton
cqar.com.au

A Foundation Training weekend was held by the Central Queensland Amateur Radio Association Incorporated on Friday evening the 22nd of July and concluded Saturday the 23rd of July.

Prospective Foundation License holders were taken through the theory and practical curriculum for their tests. Tests were conducted on the Saturday afternoon. The training was very comprehensive and many thanks go out to Lyle VK4LM for holding this training session.

The 2011 Qld Firefighter Championship and Safe Communities Expo is being held the 11th, 12th & 13th August, at the Rochampton Heritage Village. The Central Qld Amateur Radio Association Inc will be manning their 3 day equipment display with the theme "Providing Radio Communications Support To Public Service Organisations, In Times Of Need". The Expo is open to the public on Saturday the 13th of August.

All are welcome to attend.

I'm Adam, VK4MTJ on behalf of Cental Queensland Amateur Radio Association Inc.

This is gordon VK4VP with news from the Sunshine Coast

Sunfest

Its getting close to Sunfest time again, this year its being held on September 10th at the usual spot as the past few years at the Woombye School of Arts building in the main street of Woombye starting from 09:00.

The usual tables of equipment will be there along with great food and friendship. Tables are $20 each and that gets you two entry tickets and general entry is a low $5 with additional family members $2 each.

There will be signage and a call in on the local repeater frequency of 146.850 and 146.825.

For more information or to book a table contatct the Sunfest Coordinator Richard VK4RY on 07 5492 9898, 0417 366 773 or email vk4ry@wia.org.au

VK8

Here is a little news from the Darwin Amateur Radio Club brought to you by Spud vk8zwm. The monthly meeting was held last Wednesday at the clubrooms in Sports House Waratah crescent Fannie bay, the following morning another of the very successful weekly cuppa, cake and chat mornings was held, these have proved to be very successful since their inception. Thursdays and 10 am is the time. If you are in the Darwin area on a Thursday why not drop in and take part. Part of the morning was spent sorting out the large pile of offerings for the successful auction held Saturday night after a barbecue tea. What more could you ask for on a beautiful balmy Saturday evening in Darwin in the dry. Our new foundation licencees have spent the first of two evenings building their own 2 meter slim jims. A simple antenna to build and setup. The Darwin club has brought more than 30 new amateurs into the hobby through the foundation licence in the last 12 months mostly through a liason with the scouting movement. Some other repeater news from the Darwin area. The new northern suburbs repeater is up and running in moil on 146.950. Coverage reports have been excellent This repeater does not require sub tone to access it. The Palmerston VHF repeater on 146.900 and the Darwin city repeater and IRLP access on 147.000 now require a 123hz subtone to access them due to high levels of interference in the area. On behalf of the membership of the Darwin club i would like to thank all those who made their way to Darwin for the National conference weekend. It was a great pleasure having you here. Some sad news to report is the passing of Dan VK8AN recently after a long illness. This has been Spud vk8zwm on behalf of the darwin amateur radio club

I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP, and I've been reflecting.

Over 90 years ago came the end of the "war to end all wars", the First World War as we know it now. For electronics this was some sort of proving ground for the new technology of wireless. It also saw the use of the flying machine, the armoured tank and bloody, exhausting and stagnant trench warfare.

The presence of the Australian and New Zealand troops in the Dardanelles campaign gave us the national day of remembrance, ANZAC Day. In the northern hemisphere the wearied combatants came to remember the signing of the Peace Treaty as Armistice Day with silence at the 11th hour of the11th day of the 11th month. This tradition continues today.

This year we have military personell active in various places around the globe and some of these people are fellow amateurs. The tradition amongst the Australian radio fraternity is to remember those amateurs who have died whilst on active duty with a broadcast ceremony followed by a contest. The second weekend of August is the date of this contest and I encourage you all to participate in Remembrance Day.

DISCUSSION POINT

What use is an f-call?

Last week I was talking to an amateur in Esperance from Fremantle on 21MHz and he was bemoaning the notion that he needed to upgrade his license because with 10 Watts you couldn't do much.

Little did he know that the week before I was sitting in exactly the same spot with my puny little f-license as he thought of it and I was talking to Portland, Oregon.

I was listening on 7.146 and a CQ came out from a call-sign I didn't recognise and I answered and sure enough an answer came back and then I found he was talking long-path to South Africa and here I was with my puny little 10 Watts talking to him. He was pumping out 400 Watts and he was amazed that I was doing this off batteries with no amplifiers no anything and hand-made antennas.

You know he couldn't quite believe that you didn't have to spend thousands of dollars to make that kind of distance.

So your f-call can do more than you think. You just have to figure out how to make it do that. That's the challenge, not more power. Use it better!

I'm vk6flab

WIA PRESIDENT VK3KI SPEAKS:-

Extension of time for Club Grant Scheme applications

Applications for Club Grants for 2011 closed on 25 July.

In the WIA's release of 27 July, we reported that only a disappointing three applications had been received.

Since then one club has asked that a late entry be accepted, and offered very legitimate reasons for the lateness of the lodgement of the application.

The WIA Board has decided to accept that application.

It is also conscious of the fact that other clubs may be in a similar position and so it has decided to also accept any other late application that is lodged at the WIA office by not later than 4 pm Victorian time, next Tuesday, 9th August 2011.

Reasons for the lateness of the lodgement are not required.

Go to the WIA website for full details of the Scheme.

Clubs are reminded that this year Grants will be given for projects falling in to either of two categories:

1) Projects and activities to be conducted before 1 June 2012 to attract new amateurs, but focussed on people under 25; and

2) Amateur radio projects that are useful and innovative and that utilise both information technologies and radio communications.

If you club is planning to take advantage of this extension, it would be helpful if you could let the WIA Manager Mal Brooks know as soon as possible.

Email Mal or telephone Mal between 10 and 4 any day.

However, clubs are advised that any applications lodged after 4 pm next Tuesday 9th August will not be considered.

WIA DIRECTOR VK3JNI

Colour, Movement and the 10 Second Grab

Have you ever sat down and analysed the Television or Media that is intended for today's teenagers? If you have the time, you will notice that something changes every 10 to 15 seconds. TV and Media producers really have to work to keep their young audience. If they get bored, within 30 to 60 seconds, they will vote with the remote control, iPhone or anything else that is at hand. While reflecting on the recent efforts of our clubs who participated in the National Field Day or Jamboree's On The Air in recent years, I take my hat off to those operators who manage to keep young people's attentions for more than a few minutes. It is never an easy task. With both amateur radio operators and the scout movement worldwide preparing for the 54th Jamboree On The Air, over the weekend of the 15 and 16 October, it is timely to ask ourselves how we will keep the interest of our young teenage visitors.

I sometimes wonder if we are all too welded onto our HF radio microphones? Most amateurs find it interesting to tune the HF bands looking for an interesting contact. While we do this, our visitors, who live in an online social media world, may well tune out. Take more than 10 seconds to make something happen, and their interest is already going somewhere else Would we be better to use IRLP or Echolink to provide the initial clear, easy to understand communication with the distant party or scout group? Sure keep the Spotter tuning HF radio with the headphones on and make a spare pair of cans

available for the very interested participant. Once a clear contact is established, some of the keener visitors will be happy to listen in. Some will then be happy to become involved with the microphone too.

Recently I watched as the internet displayed activity on WSPR known as Whisper, showing the activity on the HF bands. I thought, this is an ideal way to show how the bands open and close to different places at different times. It is very visual, takes little effort to run and can provide a good guide to where we may make that voice contact.

Other digital modes including SSTV hold an interest for young people. I find it interesting to watch them try to guess what picture is that is slowly appearing on the screen.

If we reflect on our demonstration stations and decide that they may be a little slow or dull, we may consider how to lighten them up? The methods that we deploy to attract and to keep our visitors interested in our activities, for more than a short moment, may certainly be enhanced by a little more colour and movement than what the S meter can provide.
This has been Philip VK3JNI for the WIA Broadcast.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART and the WW sources of the WIA.

National DAB+ on-air in Germany

Germany, Europe's biggest radio market, is now broadcasting digital radio plus in all major cities and autobahns. 27 transmitters around the country are on air delivering new radio content to 40 million people.

German listeners now have 14 new digital services to choose from and radio broadcasters now have the opportunity to diversify their programme offering, something which is no longer possible in Germany on FM.

In addition to these ground-breaking audio services, further value-added data services will be provided in the national and regional broadcasts. These data services include advanced text information (DL Plus), slideshow, Electronic Program Guide and TPEG service.

90elf is Germany's football radio station. The programme broadcasts all matches of the 1st and 2nd grade, the complete German Football Federation Cup, and selected matches of the Euro and Champions Leagues live. Reaching more than one million listeners per match day via Internet distribution, 90elf has access to 57 million new potential listeners through broadcast via digital radio.

The new digital radio standard DAB+ not only enables 90elf to broadcast a 90-minute match, but also allows the parallel distribution of full-length matches via multi-channels.

Police operation to rescue Norway terror attack victims hampered by communications blunder.

Southgate ARC have a report in from the Daily Mirror which says that Norwegian police were plunged into "total chaos" by a catastrophic breakdown in communications after mass killer Anders Breivik struck.

Breivik slaughtered 69 people on Utoya Island just hours after killing eight with a bomb in Oslo on but it took police 79 minutes to reach the island. Paramedics did not arrive for another 10-15 minutes.

The blunder occurred because district police used an old analogue radio system while the elite Delta unit, dispatched to tackle the gunman, and paramedics had switched to a new secure digital network.

Police commanders had to contact different units via email and even fax, as the mobile network was down.

Amateur radio enthusiast Finn Johannessen listened in to the ambulance chief.

He said: "He was in a panic, shouting, 'Where is the police, where is the police?' It sounded like total chaos."

Read the Daily Mirror story at:
http://www.mirror.co.uk/news/top-stories/2011/08/02/police-operation-to-rescue-norway-terror-attack-victims-hampered-by-communications-blunder-115875-23313809/

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2011

Hello Listeners. I am peter Harding, VK4OD the WIA RD Contest Manager.
Today being the 7th August, next weekend is the RD Contest.

As I have asked in the past, I would ask if when you send your log in either by Electronic or postal means please ensure that you have you correct postal address.

Anybody requiring any of the forms posted to them please contact me ASAP.
In the coming week I will finalize the Opening speech and send out a special email via the usual weekly news server. (If you are not subscribed, and all rebroadcasters should be.. drop a BLANK email to

wiabroadcasters-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

AND write the word subscribe in the subject or title field)

For those people that are hand writing their logs, " PLEASE" write your logs in a legible manner, as in the past some logs have been VERY HARD to decipher.

With available variations of categories for the RD Contest if you are unsure of which you wish to enter, then please drop me a line to

rdlogs@wia.org.au

and I will do my best to answer them.

Good Luck in the Contest and I look forward to more receiving more logs than last year.

That date again, Aug 13-14 for the WIA Remembrance Day Contest

Aug 20-21 WW I.L.L.W.

Oct 22 WIA Jack Files Contest

Nov 26-27 WIA Spring VHF-UHF Field Day

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January VK Ross Hull Memorial VHF UHF Contest

March 17-18 VK JOHN MOYLE MEMORIAL FIELD DAY

June Long Weekend (vk4 time) VK Shires Contest.

July First full weekend NZART Memorial Contest

1 Month and counting !!!

Oceania DX Contest preliminary notice

PHONE - The first full weekend in October each year from 0800 UTC Saturday to 0800 UTC Sunday

CW - The second full weekend in October each year from 0800 UTC Saturday to 0800 UTC Sunday

Log deadline for PH and CW logs - 28 days after the end of the CW contest

Keep an eye on this site :

http://www.oceaniadxcontest.com/

At this stage I can't confirm that this is on nor the 2011 rules but I anticipate that is it and the 2011 rules will appear very soon ..

73 Phillip ZL2TZE

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

South Sudan DXpedition

Here is information from Paul, N6PSE regarding the South Sudan DXpedition:

Dispatch Juba:

The ST0R team continues to work through the pile ups, now passing the 60,000 QSO mark. Continuing to run five stations and trying to get QSOs into the hands of all who need them.

As is the custom and practice of the Intrepid-DX Group, local youth have visited the operation. 25 boys from the Juba Secondary Boy's Academy. Boys toured the ST0R shack and were shown the various aspects of amateur radio. We allowed them to listen as we made QSOs across the world. We have recorded this visit on the ST0R photos page: http://www.dxfriends.com/SouthernSudan2011/photos.php

At the half-way mark of the DXpedition and active until August 10th, 2011.

DX

WB 6 OJB will be on the air as 7P8JK from Lesotho between September 15th to the 22nd. While other information was given, during his last Lesotho operation he was on the High Frequency bands from 40 to 10 meters using mostly SSB with some CW.
QSL direct to his home callsign WB 6 OJB.

PB 2 JJ will be active as 9H3JN from Malta between September 2nd and the 14th. Operations will be on 80 through 10 meters mostly CW but with the possibility of some SSB. QSL this operation via his home callsign PB 2 JJ.

Entries mount for International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend

With just weeks to go, the big entry improvements are from Australia, Chile, Portugal and the USA. They have already exceeded previous records and a few more countries are about equal with last year's total.

Organisers believe that the International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend on August the 20th and 21st is on track to match the total of 447, with many entries expected in coming days.

Around Australia we VK2 on 17, VK4 with 12, followed by VK3 on 11, then VK7 with 9, VK6 has 6 and VK5 on 5. The total exceeds 60.

Welcome to our newest country Thailand to be put on air by Simon Luttrell HS0ZIB, from the Golden Jubilee Lighthouse, at Phromthep Cape, Phuket.

The 48-hour event is not a contest but is plenty of fun. Those participating are requested to take the time to work others as well as the slow operator, new licensee or QRP stations.

Visit the revamped website for the latest and an online entry form at illw.net

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

INTRUDER WATCH - ENFORCEMENT ZONE

Region III IARUMS Coordinator Peter Young VK3MV

VK IARUMS reflector email to subscribe intruders@wia.org.au

INTRUDER NETS
Friday 0730 UTC 7.065.5 with VK4CEU David.

Amateur exclusive frequencies where any non-amateur signal is definitely an intruder.

Amateur HF Spectrum world wide
7.050 to 7.100
14.000 to 14.250
14.250 to 14.350 No broadcasters
21.000 to 21.450
24.890 to 24.990
28.000 to 29.700

Prosecution for illegal radio jamming

In ZL a man has been sentenced for supplying illegal radio jamming transmitters after a combined effort between government agencies.

The man admitted supplying radio jammers and transmitting outside the terms of his radio licence and was fined $2000 in Porirua District Court last month.

This is a good example of government agencies working together to reduce crime in the community, says Radio Spectrum Management National Compliance Manager, Chris Brennan.

Radio jammers are increasingly being used as part of criminal activity. Our team of inspectors works hard to stop criminals getting access to this type of equipment.

New Zealand's Ministry of Economic Development laid charges under the Radio Communications Act after Police found the transmitters during a house search for drugs.

THE QNEWS WORK BENCH - the nuts and volts report -
(Measure twice - Cut once!)

BAE Systems tests T-shirt antennas

Wired reports that BAE Systems have teamed up with the UK's National Physical Laboratory to measure the efficiency of radiation emitted from wearable antennas embedded into T-shirts.

Wearable antennas could be a useful way of building communications networks in warzones or of monitoring and transmitting the health of the wearer.

Given that they are worn on the body, it is particularly important to understand their performance. The human body absorbs electromagnetic signals so researchers were concerned that the signal could lose power if worn too close.

Read the full Wired article at:
http://www.wired.co.uk/news/archive/2011-08/01/wearable-antennas

(southgate news)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ARDF
WIA ARDF COORDINATOR VK3WWW Jack vk3www@wia.org.au
http://users.mackay.net.au/~ron/
http://www.homingin.com
http://www.ardf.org.au

Sep 23-28 R3 Region 3 ARDF Championship Bendigo VK3
http://r3.ardf.org.au/

Things are really hotting up in preparation for the 8th IARU Region 3 ARDF Championships which will be based at the Blue Light Camp in Maldon Victoria.

International participants are getting very excited about traveling to VK and compete in these Championships. If you are planning to pay the venue a visit and see what it is all about we suggest that Saturday 24th of September will be the best opportunity. Here you can watch Competitors test out receiving equipment and get a feel for the Australian Bush. This event will be followed

by an orienteering event and later in the afternoon there will be the opening ceremony where WIA President Michael Owen VK3KI representing IARU will welcome participants. Both the main events on Sunday 25th and Tuesday 27th will be conducted on closed courses plus the start locations are kept secret from competitors until they step off the bus. For this reason there will be little opportunity to attend and view the competition unless you intend to compete or even volunteer.

We are currently taking registrations from VK amateurs who are interested in attending and representing WIA at these Championships. Volunteers are also welcome and if you can spare some time on either or both of the competition days we would love to hear from you. You will find more information regarding the event on www.r3.ardf.org.au or send an email to vk3www@wia.org.au

This has been Jack VK3WWW WIA ARDF Coordinator.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ATV (Every pixel tells a story) - Video
arvideonews.com
hamradiotube.com
youtube.com
qdg.org.au

World first for digital television

The final touches are being put on the World's First DATV QSO Party to be held by VK3RTV and around the world via the streaming media portal of the British Amateur Television Club (BATC).

Organiser Peter Cossins VK3BFG said it was most fitting that the event is part of the Amateur Radio Victoria Centenary which runs from August 1 through to November 30.

He has been with the amateur television scene through its black and white days, to colour imagery and more recently has, with the help of others, the digitisation of VK3RTV.

Peter VK3BFG said, "Major funding of VK3RTV from Amateur Radio Victoria from the WIA Club Grants program enabled it to be digitised well ahead of time and renewed interest in it throughout the expanded coverage area.

"What is planned is a DATV QSO Party to celebrate the 100th the anniversary of Amateur Radio Victoria. While the actual times are not fixed, it's planned to be over the last weekend of August starting on the Friday evening."

Already there's interest around Australia and testing has been held while negotiations are being finalised with the BATC and the Amateur Television Network of California via Don Hill KE6BXT.

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

SOCIAL SCENE

2011

Aug 7 VK2 Lismore region - SARCFEST

Aug 28 VK2 Blue Mountains amateur radio club's annual WINTERFEST
andrewvaughan230@gmail.com

Sep 10 VK4 Sunshine Coast Hamfest SUNFEST at Woombye School of Arts 9am.

Sep 11 VK3 SADARC Comms Day at St Augustine's Hall Shepparton 10am.

Sep 16-18 VK4 NQ Amateur Radio Convention Date Set Townsville

Sep 23-28 R3 Region 3 ARDF Championship Bendigo VK3
http://r3.ardf.org.au/

Sep 30-Oct 2 VK4 Central Highlands Amateur Radio Club AGM at Camp Fairbairn
CONTACT Secretary Gordon, (vk4kal@wia.org.au)

Nov 20 vk5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society Hamfest
Goodwood Community Centre, Rosa St Goodwood at 0930.
Visit www.ahars.com.au for contact details

2012

15TH IARU REGION 3 CONFERENCE hosted by V.A.R.C. in Ho-Chi-Minh City, Vietnam.

JAN 23-FEB 17 YEAR 2012
World Radio Conference WRC-11 Geneva 23rd January TO 17th February 2012

FEB 26 VK2 CCARC WYONG FIELD DAY

MAY 3-18 VK5 YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

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to submit audio read "how to submit items" in the weekly news page on
wia.org.au

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being
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Vk1wia-news mailing list
Vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
http://lists.wia.org.au/mailman/listinfo/vk1wia-news

714. Re: Parts for Jack up Mast AB-952

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-04 13:54:22 UTC
From: One <two@three.ru>
Message-ID: <j1e8b1$pu4$1@news1.mynetnews.org>
Source record: 4404

On Thu, 28 Jul 2011 11:09:51 -0700 (PDT), Tom Horne <hornetd@gmail.com> wrote:

>I have two AB-952 Military antenna masts. I was fortunate in finding
>a complete extension kit for one mast at Ontario Surplus. For some
>time I have been trying to complete the extension kit for the second
>mast. I had found three additional mast sections, an additional guy
>ring, an extension kit carrier, and some guy cables that were long
>enough. But I had to use carabiners and mullion links to attach the
>extra guys because they were from a different mast system. That still
>left me looking for quite a few parts.
>
>I called Ben at Ontario Surplus again hoping he might have some augur
>anchors. He put me in touch with a part time surplus dealer in
>Maryland which is were I live and he is quite close to me. That
>dealer, Tim Clark, had a complete extension kit at a very modest
>price. He also has brand new accessories kits with brand new cables
>that would replace the worn cables on one of my masts. So I finally
>have two complete mast sets. These masts are very useful for field
>day, boy scout jamboree on the air, public service events, and the
>list goes on. The tubes are four inches across and the assembly is
>stout enough to support VHF beams and smaller HF beams. Since the
>entire assembly is aluminum they are light enough to carry some
>distance from a vehicle if the situation demands it.
>
>That left only one challenge. The four inch tubes are too large for
>the mast clamps that come with most beam antennas. The original
>adapter that comes with the masts is offset in order to center the
>weight of the corner reflector antennas, for which they were
>originally designed, over the center line of the mast. When I tried
>to use them to attach beam antennas they carried the weight off center
>and caused binding of the mast during raising and lowering. A friend,
>who is an amateur machinist, made me two adapters that addressed the
>problem. The only drawback was that we had to cut the end off of a
>mast tube to get a lock on base for each of the adapters. Damaged
>tubes are available in the surplus market but being five foot long
>they are somewhat awkward to ship which raises their cost
>significantly.
>
>While I was at Tim Clark's place picking up the new accessories kit
>and the extension kit I recognized some alternate antenna adapters
>that were designed to carry a dish reflector antenna. That antenna was
>added as an additional part to the radio system the masts were built
>for. I had only previously seen these in manuals. The dish adapters
>come straight up out of the mast coupling and reduce the size of the

>mast to two and a quarter inches (2&1/4"). That is well within the
>range of the clamps that most of the beam antennas come fitted with.
>Best features of these adapters is they are small, light weight,
>easily shipped, do not require a machinist to produce, and relatively
>inexpensive. Tim still has several of those adapters, even after I
>immediately bought two, so if you are dealing with that adapter issue
>he can simplify the problem considerably. He also has quite a
>collection of other GI surplus some of which he is willing to part
>with at prices I think are quite low.
>
>My only connection with Ben at Ontario Surplus and with Tim Clark is
>that they have been very generous with time and effort to help me
>complete these two masts at a price I could afford. If you could use
>their help Ontario surplus has a web sight that you can find with
>Google or another search engine. If you want to contact Tim Clark you
>will have to use email via [glengar comat verizon period net]. For
>those of you not familiar with the term "comat" it is a contraction of
>the words "commercial at" which is the name of the symbol that is used
>before the domain name and after the user name in email addresses.
>I'm just so glad to have finally completed this mast project that I
>wanted to share the information with others who might need it.

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715. Re: [ADMIN] Seeking Test Submissions to rec.radio.amateur.moderated

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-04 14:18:10 UTC
From: Jeffrey Angus <grendelair@aim.com>
Message-ID: <j1e399$8ju$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 4405
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc

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On 8/4/2011 5:13 AM, rec.radio.amateur.moderated Admin wrote:
> - Include your geographic location (city/state/country), your ISP and
> NSP (which possibly are the same), and at least your first name and
> amateur radio callsign (if you have a callsign).

Ranger, TX. USA
Using AT&T DSL.
sending via smtp.aim.com server
downloading news via eternal-september.org.

Jeff-1.0
wa6fwi

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"Everything from Crackers to Coffins"
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716. Re: [ADMIN] Seeking Test Submissions to rec.radio.amateur.moderated

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-04 14:26:53 UTC
From: Jeffrey Angus <grendelair@aim.com>
Message-ID: <j1ea76ltk1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 4406
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc

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On 8/4/2011 9:18 AM, Jeffrey Angus wrote:
> Ranger, TX. USA
> Using AT&T DSL.
> sending via smtp.aim.com server
> downloading news via eternal-september.org.

And apparently it came through, via the correct
channels.

Jeff-1.0
wa6fwi

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"Everything from Crackers to Coffins"
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717. Re: [ADMIN] Seeking Test Submissions to rec.radio.amateur.moderated

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-04 16:04:21 UTC
From: Bert Hyman <bert@iphouse.com>
Message-ID: <Xns9F376B31BD60CVeebleFetzer@216.250.188.140>
Source record: 4407
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In news:j1bp0q$9vc$1@reader1.panix.com rec.radio.amateur.moderated Admin <rram@panix.com> wrote:

> - Include your geographic location (city/state/country), your ISP and
> NSP (which possibly are the same), and at least your first name and
> amateur radio callsign (if you have a callsign).

Saint Paul, Minnesota USA
ISP/NSP: IPHouse.com
Bert - W0RSB

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Bert Hyman W0RSB St. Paul, MN bert@iphouse.com

718. Re: [ADMIN] Seeking Test Submissions to rec.radio.amateur.moderated

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-04 16:05:01 UTC
From: Bert Hyman <bert@iphouse.com>
Message-ID: <Xns9F376B4CE80E0VeebleFetzer@88.198.244.100>
Source record: 4408
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In news:j1bp0q$9vc$1@reader1.panix.com rec.radio.amateur.moderated Admin <rram@panix.com> wrote:

> - Include your geographic location (city/state/country), your ISP and
> NSP (which possibly are the same), and at least your first name and
> amateur radio callsign (if you have a callsign).

Saint Paul, Minnesota USA
ISP: IPhouse.com
NSP: Eternal-September.org
Bert - W0RSB

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Bert Hyman W0RSB St. Paul, MN bert@iphouse.com

719. Re: [ADMIN] Seeking Test Submissions to rec.radio.amateur.moderated

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-04 16:50:07 UTC
From: "rec.radio.amateur.moderated Admin" <rram@panix.com>
Message-ID: <j1e9vp$nk5$1@reader1.panix.com>
Source record: 4409
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc

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Posting from Panix.com (ISP and NSP) in New York City via a Unix shell
news reader (nn).

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rec.radio.amateur.moderated Admin
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720. Re: [ADMIN] Seeking Test Submissions to rec.radio.amateur.moderated

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-04 16:50:28 UTC
From: "Paul W. Schleck" <pschleck@oasis.novia.net>
Message-ID: <4e3aabff$0$75824$540ea2cf@novia.net>
Source record: 4410
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc

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-----BEGIN PGP SIGNED MESSAGE-----
Hash: SHA1

Novia/Newscene (co-located ISP and NSP) in Omaha, Nebraska.

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73, Paul W. Schleck, K3FU
pschleck@novia.net
http://www.novia.net/~pschleck/
Finger pschleck@novia.net for PGP Public Key

-----BEGIN PGP SIGNATURE-----
Version: GnuPG v1.4.5 (SunOS)

iD8DBQFOOqvU6Pj0az779o4RAvdgAJ9RSp/gGNNcm/7BV9KMhG746kMHaQCgvH4l
LvENX/rifW8lvnWxShJ+4H8=
=suYI
-----END PGP SIGNATURE-----
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721. The ARRL Letter for August 4, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-04 20:36:45 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20110804175243.B122726C85E@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 4411
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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==> + AMATEUR RADIO IN SPACE: AFTER DELAYS, ARISSAT-1 DEPLOYED FROM ISS

Amateur Radio has a new satellite! Despite concerns that led to an
almost four hour delay in deployment from the International Space
Station, ARISSat-1/KEDR is in operation. According to reports flowing
in from around the world, both the transponder and telemetry are
working. Cosmonauts Sergei Volkov, RU3DIS, and Alexander Samokutyaev,
successfully deployed Amateur Radio's newest satellite: ARISSat-1/KEDR.
The deployment -- originally scheduled to occur at 1457 UTC on
Wednesday, August 3 -- was delayed due to antenna concerns. Read more
here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arissat-1-finally-deployed-from-iss>.

==> + AMATEUR RADIO IN SPACE: HAMS REPORT ARISSAT-1'S LINEAR
TRANSPONDER IS WORKING
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After its eventful deployment yesterday
<http://www.arrl.org/news/arissat-1-finally-deployed-from-iss>,
ARISSsat-1 is definitely working. Hams from all over the world have
reported hearing the voice, CW and SSTV transmissions. Despite concerns
that the UHF antenna was either missing or damaged, the linear
transponder is working and some people are already making contacts with
it. The August 3 deployment was delayed nearly four hours after
cosmonauts Sergei Volkov, RU3DIS, and Alexander Samokutyaev, expressed
concerns that only one antenna -- the VHF antenna -- was visible.

"I was able to hear myself with as little as 1 W on the 0425 UTC
pass," AMSAT Vice President for Operations Drew Glasbrenner, KO4MA,
wrote on the AMSAT e-mail reflector. "Antennas are a M2 CP42 on RHCP
up, and a 10 element horizontal Yagi down. ARISSat-1 sounded very good,
and cycled on and off with the telemetry. I also managed to grab two
frames of telemetry right after AOS." Glasbrenner posted a video
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v
FyZNAbOeA> of his transponder test.

Calling it a "very good first day," ARISSat-1/KEDR Project Manager
Gould Smith, WA4SXM, said that hams are submitting SSTV images to ARISS
SSTV Gallery <http://www.amsat.org/amsat/ariss/SSTV/>, and BPSK-1000
telemetry and experiment data is coming into the telemetry server.
"ARISSat-1/KEDR continues to work well with good reports coming in from
around the world," he said. "The satellite is warmer than we expected,
so we will continue to monitor this."

The 435 MHz/145 MHz linear transponder operates in Mode U/v (70 cm up,
2 meters down). It is a 16 kHz wide inverting passband, and the
convention is to transmit LSB on the 435 MHz uplink and receive USB on
the 145 MHz downlink.

==> + AMATEUR RADIO IN SPACE: ARISS TEAM EXCITED BY NEW PROPOSAL
PROCESS

Earlier this year, the education office at NASA's Johnson Space
Center (JSC) sent a message to more than 18,000 US educators,
describing the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS)
program. This kicked off the first step in a new process used by the
ARISS team in selecting US schools for ARISS educational events, such
as an Amateur Radio contact between the ISS and the classroom. Early
last fall, staff from JSC's Teaching From Space program approached
ARISS leaders, looking to revise how they work with schools in order to
greatly increase the number of educators who know about ARISS.

According to ARRL ARISS Program Manager Rosalie White, K1STO, the
ARISS team has worked steadily for the past six months on an end-to-end
transition for the new proposal process. The work began last October
with ARRL Education Services Manager Debra Johnson, K1DMJ, hosting a
meeting at ARRL Headquarters for representatives from NASA, ARRL and
AMSAT. In May, White and four NASA and AMSAT team members gathered in
Maryland for a two day meeting to hammer out the final details. Read
more here

<http://www.arrl.org/news/ariss-excited-by-new-proposal-process>.

==> + ARRL RECOGNIZES: ARRL BOARD NAMES ANGEL SANTANA, WP3GW, WINNER OF SILVER ANTENNA AWARD

Angel Santana, WP3GW, has been named the winner of the 2011 Philip J. McGan Memorial Silver Antenna Award for his volunteer public relations work on behalf of Amateur Radio. Santana was recognized for his work and recommended for the award by the ARRL Public Relations Committee; the ARRL Board of Directors conveyed the award at their 2011 Second Meeting last month. "It came as a surprise when ARRL Southeastern Director Greg Sarratt, W4OZK, sent me the notification about winning the 2011 Philip J. McGan Award," Santana said. "I had about two hours of shock before landing again to Earth!" ARRL Media and Public relations Manager Allen Pitts, W1AGP, called Santana a "sparkplug for a major surge of good publicity" in Puerto Rico. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-board-names-angel-santana-wp3gw-winner-of-silver-antenna-award>.

==> + INVESTIGATION BY ARRL OOS, RESEARCHERS LEADS TO RESOLUTION OF 60 METER INTERFERENCE

Collaboration between ARRL Official Observers and researchers at Rutgers University has resulted in a change of operating frequency of coastal HF radars, eliminating interference to amateur stations using two frequencies in the 60 meter (5 MHz) band.

In July 2003, radio amateurs in the US received secondary privileges on 60 meters. Its strict guidelines -- no CW, operation just on five distinct channels using USB, a maximum effective radiated power of 50 W and only open to General, Advanced and Amateur Extra class licensees -- have prevented it from being popular. At first, amateurs interested in operating on 60 meters had to make modifications to the radios in use at the time. But now, more rigs are available that are designed to operate on 60 meters directly, or with a simple manipulation of menus.

Over time, radio amateurs heard various signals on the channels; users assumed these signals were those of government users and protected as such. Normally, advice to amateurs is to "use it or lose it" in regard to band usage, but on 60 meters, the watchword seemed to be "misuse" the band and lose it. So amateurs were cautious and compliant and when the band was made available to radio amateurs, users reported that everyone on the band was friendly and courteous, with at least one amateur reporting "that it was the way all the other bands used to be."

But recently, with more users and people monitoring and using the band, amateurs began hearing more Coastal Ocean Dynamics Applications Radar (CODAR) signals on the channels. CODAR is a form of HF radar used by a number of institutions to research and study ocean currents and waves. Amateurs frequently reported CODAR sounds as that "repetitive loud swishing sound" on the band. Read more here

<http://www.arrl.org/news/investigation-by-arrl-oos-researchers-leads-to-reso
lution-of-60-meter-interference>.

==> ARRL IN ACTION: WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO LATELY?

This feature is a concise monthly update of some of the things that
the ARRL is doing on behalf of its members. This installment -- which
covers the month of July -- takes a look at the 2011 Second Meeting of
the ARRL Board of Directors, the Republic of South Sudan -- the newest
DXCC entity, the latest equipment and resource grants awarded to
schools, the League's request to the FCC to keep open a proceeding
regarding 2300 MHz, reports from the Official Observer Desk and more.
Read more here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-in-action-what-have-we-been-up-to-lately-36>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "The Sun in my disgrace
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3mbBbFH9fAg&ob=av3e>" Cook, K7RA,
reports: Solar activity increased markedly this week, with the sunspot
number rising to 130 on August 1, the highest since a reading of 131 on
April 14, 2011. The average daily sunspot number for this week rose
nearly 54 points to 99.3. But the big news is a couple of coronal mass
ejections hurtling clouds of energy toward Earth, which should upset
geomagnetic conditions from their recent quiet. The CMEs came from
sunspot group 1263, which is quite large and centrally located on the
solar disc. The latest forecast has the planetary A index for August
4-11 at 5, 25, 20, 25, 20, 12, 5 and 8. The predicted solar flux for
August 4-5 is 120; August 6-10 is 115, 110 for August 11, and 100 on
August 12-16. Geophysical Institute Prague predicts active conditions
on August 5-7, unsettled to active August 8, quiet to unsettled August
9 and quiet conditions August 10-11. Look for more information on the
ARRL website on Friday, August 5. For more information concerning radio
propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation
page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad
Cookism" is brought to you by Soundgarden's Black Hole Sun
<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Black_Hole_Sun>.

==> + ARRL RECOGNIZES: JERRY CLEMENT, VE6AB , WINS JULY QST COVER
PLAQUE AWARD

The winner of the QST Cover Plaque Award for July is Jerry Clement,
VE6AB , for his article "Gain Twist 75 Meter Mobile Monobander. "
Congratulations Jerry! The QST Cover Plaque award -- given to the
author or authors of the best article in each issue -- is determined by
a vote of ARRL members on the QST Cover Plaque Poll Web page
<http://www.arrl.org/cover-plaque-poll> . Cast a ballot for your
favorite article in the August issue today.

==> THIS WEEK ON THE RADIO

This week:

- August 5 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- August 6 -- TARA Grid Dip Shindig; European HF Championship
- August 6-7 -- ARRL UHF Contest
<http://www.arrl.org/news/the-bands-heat-up-for-the-2011-arrl-august-uhf-cont
est>;
North American QSO Party (CW); 10-10 International Summer Contest (SSB)
- August 7 -- RSGB RoPoCo CW; SARL HF Phone Contest
- August 10 -- NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint
- August 10-11 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

Next week:

- August 12 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- August 13-14 -- Maryland-DC QSO Party; WAE DX Contest (CW)
- August 14 -- SKCC Weekend Sprint

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest
Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update
<http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest
Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more
information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out
the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page
<http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- August 5-6 -- ARRL Texas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/texas-state-convention-austin-summerfest-1>,
Austin, Texas
- August 5-7 -- ARRL Rocky Mountain Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/rocky-mountain-division-convention-1>,
Taos, New Mexico; ARRL Midwest Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/midwest-division-convention>, Cedar
Rapids, Iowa
- August 20 -- ARRL West Virginia State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-virginia-state-convention-1>,
Weston, West Virginia
- August 20-21 -- ARRL Alabama State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/alabama-state-convention-huntsville-hamfest>,
Huntsville, Alabama
- August 21 -- ARRL Kansas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/kansas-state-convention-1>, Salina,
Kansas
- August 28 -- ARRL Western Pennsylvania Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/western-pennsylvania-section-convention-1>,
New Kensington, Pennsylvania
- September 9-11 -- ARRL Southwestern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southwestern-division-convention-hamcon-2011>,
Torrance, California
- September 11 -- ARRL Great Lakes Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/great-lakes-division-convention-findlay-hamfest
>,
Findlay, Ohio

- September 17 -- ARRL Roanoke Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/roanoke-division-convention-virginia-beach-hamf
est>,
Virginia Beach, Virginia
- September 24 -- ARRL Washington State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/washington-state-convention-35th-annual-spokane
-hamfest>,
Spokane Valley, Washington

To find a convention or hamfest near you, click here
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722. SOUTH ACTRESS HOT PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-05 00:17:55 UTC
From: SAMARA <jaidatta9247@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <c35db16d-64f5-4955-86ca-273ee420a44a@g5g2000prn.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4412

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http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/07/kajal-agarwal-in-naperu-shiva.html
TAMANNA HOT SEXY PHOTOS & VIDEOS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/07/tamanna-wallpapers.html
PRANITHA LATEST BEAUTIFUL PHOTOS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/06/about-pranitha-praneetha-is-beautiful.html
KAJAL AGARWAL HOT SEXY PHOTOS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/05/kajal-agarwal.html
KATRINA KAIF IN BEAUTIFUL RED DRESS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/05/katrina-kaif_22.html

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PRIYAMANI SPICY PHOTOS IN COW GIRL
http://allyouwants.blogspot.com/2011/02/priyamani-spicy-photo-shoot-cow-girl.html
KAJAL HOT PHOTOS IN SAREE
http://allyouwants.blogspot.com/2011/06/kajal-very-spice-pics.html
MAHESH BABU WORKING STILLS IN DHOOKUDU
http://princemaheshfanz.blogspot.com/2011/08/dookudu-working-stills.html
NAMRATHA IN NATIONAL BREAST FEEDING
http://princemaheshfanz.blogspot.com/2011/08/namrata-shirodkar-at-national-breast.html

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723. Re: [ADMIN] Seeking Test Submissions to rec.radio.amateur.moderated

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-05 03:45:26 UTC
From: Phil Kane <Phil.Kane@nov.shmovz.ka.pop>
Message-ID: <ufnm37pi26eceiside6ephd7t84p96eeqk@4ax.com>
Source record: 4413
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc

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Location = Beaverton (Washington County) Oregon
ISP = Comcast
NSP = Announcetech.com
Mailhost = Networksolutions.com

Phil Kane - K2ASP (since 1952)
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724. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1773 - August 5 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-05 09:00:21 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20110805090004.C38F833C87@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4414
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1773 - August 5 2011

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1773 with a release date of Friday, August 5th 2011 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. The FCC dismisses a rule making request that would have barred convicted felons from holding amateur radio licenses, an update on the S-T-Zero-R South Sudan DX operation, the British Amateur Television Club offers free Internet streaming to all of ham radio and the latest on ARISSat-1? Is it on-orbit yet? Find out on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1773 coming your way right now.

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RADIO LAW: FCC DISMISSES PETITION TO BAR ALL CONVICTED FELONS FROM HOLDING HAM LICENSES

The FCC has turned away a petition for rule making that asked that convicted felons be barred from holding an amateur radio license. Amateur Radio Newslne's Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, has the details:

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In its July 29th letter to Bernard J. Parker, K5BP, of Dallas Texas, the FCC stated that it was dismissing his Rule Making request filed May 25, 2011 that dealt with a rules change request to bar convicted felons from holding amateur radio service licenses.

In its dismissal order the FCC stated that before it will revoke a license or deny an application based on the felony conviction, that it takes into consideration factors that may mitigate a licensee's felonious misconduct.

For example, the Commission says that it reviews the willfulness of the misconduct; the frequency of the misconduct; how recently the misconduct occurred; the seriousness of the misconduct; efforts made to remedy the wrong and the persons overall record of compliance with FCC rules and policies. It also takes under consideration any form of rehabilitation that a convicted felon may have been subject to.

The FCC went on to say that Parker has not presented grounds for the Commission to revisit this policy. It stated that Parker's argument that the policy is contrary to the basis and purpose of the amateur service fails to recognize that the Commission has an established

process for assessing whether a felony conviction is grounds for denying participation in the amateur radio service.

The FCC then continued that Parker offered no persuasive argument for barring anyone convicted of any felony from ever obtaining an amateur radio operator license and that he gave no evidence that the current policy is undermining the purpose of the amateur radio service. Nor that it is otherwise contrary to the public interest.

Rather, says the Dismissal order, Parker's petition relies entirely on the case of a single amateur licensee and does not discuss why a higher standard should apply to the amateur service than to other communications services.

Thus, says Scot Stone who is Deputy Chief of the FCC's Mobility Division, a felony conviction does not necessarily disqualify all people from holding am amateur service license. Rather, the question of disqualification is addressed on a case-by-case basis.

Based on its findings the FCC has concluded that the regulatory change petition filed by Bernard J. Parker presents no evidence of an existing problem that has not been considered before, or other evidence meriting a rule change. Therefore, Parkers petition has ben dismissed.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, in Los Angeles.

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Who the amateur the Parker petition was referring to was not mentioned by name or call in the FCC dismissal order. Nor is it known if Parks will appeal the staff decision dismissing his petition to ban convicted felons from the amateur service to the entire commission or possibly into the Federal courts. (FCC)

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DX NEWS: ST0R CONTINUES TO RACK UP CONTACTS FROM THE SOUTH SUDAN

The ST0R operations from the newly created Republic of the South Sudan continues to work through the pile ups. By Monday, August 1st U-T-C time the contact number was passing the 60,000 QSO mark. They continue to operate five stations and are trying to get as many QSO's as possible before its time for them to secure their operations.

As is the custom and practice of the Intrepid-DX Group, they invited local youth to visit see the operation. 25 boys from the Juba Secondary Boy's Academy have already visited. They were given a tour of the ST0R where they were the various aspects of amateur radio were demonstrated. They also listened in as QSO's were made around the world. Their visit was recorded in photos now posted at tinyurl.com/juba-students

The ST0R DXpedition and will continue to be active through August 10th. We will have more DX news later on in this weeks Amateur Radio Newsline report. (Intrepid DX Group)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: ARISSAT-1 NOW ON ORBIT

The ARISSAT One ham radio satellite is now on-orbit. Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, is in our Newsroom with the latest

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ARISSat-1 telemetry: Hear it in the MP3 audio version of this weeks newscast downloadable at www.arnewsline.org.

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In NASA-ese, that's the sound of a satellite on-orbit. In this case it's the two meter downlink of the brand new ARISSat-1 that was successfully deployed from the International Space Station at 14:43 EDT on Wednesday, August 3rd .

Russia's Sergei Volkov, RU3DIS, was the space walking cosmonaut who actually hand-tossed the box-like satellite into space. This, after he and fellow space walker Alexander Samokutyaev pushed the 57 pound ARISSat-1 through an air-lock and away from the ISS, but not without incident.

Soon after the spacewalk began, the astronauts and flight controllers realized one of two 70centimeter antennas may have somehow broken off the satellite. Experts on the ground have no idea how or when it may have happened, but after debating for close to three hours, Mission Control instructed Volkov to release it. As he did, Samokutyaev photographed the event as ARISSat-1 left the space station at a rate of just over 3 feet per second. Not long after ARISSat-1 was in space, its telemetry beacon was received by JR8LWY as the satellite passed over Japan.

According to several sources, the transmitting capability of ARISSat-1 will not be affected by the loss of that antenna, but the reception of signals from the ground might be somewhat degraded. None the less, test transmissions its voice transponder by AMSAT Vice President for Operations Drew Glasbrenner, KO4MA, proved that ARISSat-1 is a viable relay station in space at power levels on the uplink as low as 1 watt:

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KO4MA test audio: Hear it in the MP3 audio version of this weeks newscast downloadable at www.arnewsline.org.

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According to Glasbrenner, he was able to hear himself with as little as 1 watt on the 0425 UTC pass. His antenna system consisted of an M2 CP42 with right hand circular polarization on the uplink and a 10

element horizontal yagi for reception. We took the audio file supplied to us by Dave Marthouse, N2AAM, applied a bit of digital filtering magic and KO4MA, literally popped out of the background noise. Take a listen:

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KO4MA test audio noise reduced: Hear it in the MP3 audio version of this weeks newscast downloadable at www.arnewsline.org.

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So whats next for ARISSat-1. According to a news release from AMSAT, full operational capability of the satellite is still under underway to evaluate its performance with the missing UHF antenna. Those hearing ARISSat-1 are asked to submit reception signal reports on amsat-bb and via the mission's e-mail boxes on located at www.amsat.org.

In the meantime, you can keep an ear on the bird and listen not only for the sound of its telemetry, but also for the voices of people from around the world speaking in many languages and sending greetings like this recorded by Richard Flagg, AH6NM during an earlier test of ARISSat-1 while it was still on-board the ISS:

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Greetings audio: Hear it in the MP3 audio version of this weeks newscast downloadable at www.arnewsline.org.

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Right now, the best place to listen out for ARISSat-1 is on 145.95 MHz. If it passes overhead, you will hear it even with as modest antenna such as the dual band vertical in the attic we have here.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, on the U-S West coast in the City of Angels.

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More on ARISSAT One in future Amateur Radio Newsline reports. (ANS, ARISS, AH6NM, AH6RH, N2AAM, others)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the K9OQO repeater serving Appleton, Wisconsin.

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HAM RADIO POLITICS: IARU REGION 1 MEETING TO BE WEBCAST

The upcoming International Amateur Radio Union General Conference to be held August 12th to the 19th in Sun City, South Africa will be streamed live to the Internet. To access it in real time, you will need to take your web browser to live.datamatix.at:8032/listen.pls to activate the stream. If you do so before the meeting begins you should hear the following announcement:

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IARU Audio: "Welcome to the IARU Region 1 audio stream from the General Conference in Sun City. The live vtransmission will start with the opening meeting."

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We tested the audio stream on a PC running the Windows 7 operating system using several popular media players. These included Real Player, Microsoft Media Player and Winamp. All three brought up the stream with no problem, albeit in our case we found Winamp to give the best overall quality.

Again the dates to the IARU Region 1 conference is August 12th to the 19th. The planners welcome you to listen in on-line. (IARU R1)

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HAM RADIO AND 911: KCRA TO OPERATE COMMEMORATIVE STATION FROM CONFERENCE HOUSE

New York City's Kings County Repeater Association has announced that it will be a part of the 911 events commemorative events to be held at the historic Conference House on Staten Island. The group plans to operate under the clubs KC2RA call sign to honor those who lost their lives on September 11th, 2001. This after middle-East fanatics high jacked four U-S flag carrying jetliners, crashing two into the World Trade Center towers in New York and a third into the Pentagon near Washington DC. The forth plane crashed in rural Pennsylvania when the passengers on-board challenged the al Quida lead air pirates.

The operation by the Kings County Repeater Association will take place on September 10th from 1300 to 2100 hours UTC on 7.250 lower and 14.295 MHz upper sideband. There will also be local operation on the New York City 146.430 Mhz repeater that uses an access tone of 136.5 hertz and world-wide using Echolink node 132967 which is the KC2LEB repeater. Frequencies on the high frequency bands may vary due to conditions and usage. Operations may not be on all frequencies at the same time. Please QSL with a a self addressed stamped envelope to the Kings ounty Repeater Association 911 Memorial Event, PO Box 280288, Brooklyn, NY 11228-0288

By way of background, the museum from where the operation will occur is named in memory of the September 11, 1776 conference convened at that location in an attempt to end the Revolutionary War. In attendance were British Admiral Lord Richard Howe, and American representatives

including John Adams and Benjamin Franklin. The conference failed because of Howe demands the colonists revoke the Declaration of Independence. (KCRA)

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HAM RADIO AND 911: N3U TO COMMEMORATE 911 FROM PENNSYLVANIA

Also, listen out for special event station N3U stroke Flt93 to be activated once again from September 8th to the 15th. Its stated purpose is to remind amateur radio operators world-wide of the tragic events that happened near Shanksville, Pensylvania, New York City and Washington DC on September 11, 2001.

United Airlines Flight 93 was a scheduled morning transcontinental flight across the United States from Newark International Airport in to San Francisco International Airport. On Tuesday, September 11, 2001, the Boeing 757 aircraft was hijacked by four al-Qaeda terrorists as part of the September 11 attacks. It subsequently crashed into a field near Shanksville, Pennsylvania during an attempt by some of the passengers to regain control. Although the evidence remains inconclusive, it is widely presumed the intended target was the United States Capitol or possibly the White House.

Its known that after the hijackers had taken control of the plane, several passengers and flight attendants were able to make telephone calls and learn that attacks had been made on the World Trade Center in New York and the Pentagon in Virginia. As a result, some of the passengers decided to try to regain control of the aircraft. During the attempt, the plane crashed into a field in Stonycreek Township, near Shanksville in Somerset County, Pennsylvania, about 80 miles southeast of Pittsburgh. All on board were killed.

This year's operation will take place during 10th anniversary and the Memorial Dedication for the victims of United Flight 93. If you happen to make contact with N3U, QSL's for this special commemorative operation go with a stamped self addressed envelope to N3U/Flt 93 via W3PN, either direct or via the bureau. (OPDX)

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RESCUE RADIO: HF LINK ALE TEST AUGUST 5 TO 15

Hams world-wide are being invited to participate in 10 days of High Frequency Automatic Link Establishment activity on the air. The purpose of this event is to encourage A-L-E communication techniques among amateur radio operators globally. The operation will begin at 00:01 UTC on Friday August 5th and continue through 23:59 UTC on Monday August 15th. This H-F Interoperability Event is an on-the-air international exercise to determine readiness for High Frequency Emergency Disaster Relief and Networking communications for the amateur radio service. More is on-line at hflink.com/aotaw. (HF LINK)

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ENFORCEMENT: SACRAMENTO WOMAN ACCUSED OF MAKING 2457 CALLS TO 911 SINCE JUNE

The California Highway Patrol says that while there was never any emergency, that didn't stop a Sacramento woman from allegedly making 2,457 calls to the states 911 emergency response number since June.

According to CHP Officer Adrian Quintero, the woman identified as Jennifer Arguelles, age 44 was arrested after allegedly placing more than 130 non-emergency calls to 911 dispatchers on one Wednesday morning alone. Authorities claim that Arguelles dialed 911 some 180 times for non-emergencies on July 4 and during the month of June, called 911 for non-emergencies 2,147 times.

News reports say that Arguelles was always polite when she called in but would eventually hang up on dispatchers. By law they were required to call her back and make sure she didn't have an emergency.

Officer Quintero told the press that Arguelles used three different cell phones to make the 911 calls. Arguelles is facing a misdemeanor for unlawful use of the 911 system. (Published news reports)

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RADIO LAW: MICROSOFT NAMED TO BE A WHITE SPACE DATABASE ADMINISTRATOR

Microsoft Corporation has been designated a white-spaces database administrator by the Federal Communications Commission. This brings the number nationwide to 10.

The purpose of the database and its administrator is to provide a reference for the unlicensed devices now authorized to operate between TV channels. Under the FCC's rules governing the use of white spaces, unlicensed devices must ping a database to make sure frequencies aren't occupied by licensed users. A white-space database must maintain a registry of fixed unlicensed devices and protected services such as full- and low-power TV transmissions, broadcast auxiliary facilities, private land mobile and commercial radio operations.

The commission issued a call for white-space database managers in late 2009. Nine responded, and all were conditionally designated in January of this year. Microsoft didn't apply until April of this year. The FCC now has made Microsoft administrator number 10. Along with the other nine designated administrators, Microsoft's database will be subject to a trial period of at least 45 days. (TVB)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: EASTERN VHF/UHF CONFERENCE IN ENFIELD CT IN OCTOBER

Turning to the ham radio social scene, word from the North East Weak Signal Group that it will sponsor the combined Eastern VHF/UHF Conference and Microwave Update 2011 Conference in Enfield, Connecticut

from October 13th to the 16th. The venue this year is the Holiday Inn Hotel in Enfield. This is the hotel formerly known as the Crowne Plaza. More information on the convention, its participants and the planned program, along with hotel and conference registration information can be found on-line at www dot microwaveupdate dot org. (WZ1V)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: AMSAT SEEKS PRESENTATIONS FOR 2011 SPACE SYMPOSIUM

A first call has gone out to solicit papers to be presented at the 2011 AMSAT Space Symposium. The event is slated for Friday, November 4th through Sunday, November 6th at the Wyndham San Jose Hotel, San Jose, California. Proposals for papers, symposium presentations and poster presentations are invited on any topic of interest to the amateur satellite community. A tentative title of a presentation is required as soon as possible. The final copy must be submitted by October 1st for inclusion in the printed proceedings. Abstracts and papers should be sent as soon as possible to Dan Schultz, N8FGV, by e-mail to n8fgv (at) amsat (dot) org (N8FGV)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: LEO LAPORTE NOW KJ6QGP

And a warm welcome to amateur radio to TWIT.TV network founder Leo Laporte who now sports the call letters KJ6QGP. But not for long.

With the urging and guidance of both Bob Heil in Gordon West, the self proclaimed "Chief Twit and President of the Internet" has already applied for a vanity call sign and expects W6TWT to reflect the name of his fledgling media empire: "This Week in Technology." He may already have that callsign as we go to air.

Leo, who is known quite well in the world of both the media and by the public as the go-to tech guy, has been a fixture on radio and television for many years. He became involved in the hobby through his association with ham radio's Mr. Audio, Bob Heil, K9EID. This, when he discovered Bob's professional line of microphones and made them his standard mic for all of his live to air and recorded programming.

Bob has been a guest on several Twit interview shows. But the impetus to get his license and perhaps the thing that convinced Leo to launch the "Ham Nation" podcast was when Leo attended Bob's amateur radio reception at the 2011 National Association of Broadcasters convention last April. The two became close friends and with a little help from Bob and ham radio educator Gordon West, WB6NOA, Leo has now become a member of the ham radio fraternity.

Leo studied for and passed his Technician class license while maintaining his nearly 20 hours per week live broadcast schedule and while overseeing the construction of his new 10,000 square ft. studio

and transmission center which opened July 24. Word is that he's planning to take the "General" in about a month. We wish him the very best. (ARNewsalineT)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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RADIO SCIENCE: WHAT LIGHT BULB DESIGNATIONS MEAN

Light bulb descriptions can seem mysterious and at times totally unfathomable. That said but they tell a lot about any given lamp.

Many bulb descriptions include a letter followed by a number. A few examples are such nomenclatures as BR30, PAR20, ED28 and T8. The letters are a code for bulb shape and the number is the diameter of the bulb, at the widest point, in 1/8inch increments. To calculate the diameter in inches, simply divide the number by 8.

Now look at a typical fluorescent bulb description: F32T8/841. Translation: F is fluorescent, 32 is watts, T is shape , in this case tubular. The second set of numbers such as an 8 is diameter 1 inch and 841 gives you the color temperature information. Here the first number tells you the color temperature range while the second two numbers indicate color temperature In ths example 41 means 4100K. And as Mr. Spock of Star Trek fame might say: Its all quite logical after its explained. (Science OnLine)

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RADIO FROM SPACE: MISSING SPACE ORBITER FOUND ON THE MOON

NASA scientists believe they may have found the final resting place of a 1960's space probe which took what some consider as being the definitive picture of the 21st century. This, before it crash-landed on the far side of the Moon.

The information comes in new imagery radioed back to Earth from the Lunar Reconnaissance Orbiter. This is a spacecraft sent up to circle the Moon under the Bush administration's plan for a manned return to the lunar surface as a precursor to manned missions to Mars. The orbiter was intended to map the lunar surface in unprecedented detail, perhaps discovering useful ice deposits or crater-rim landing sites where solar power would be available year round.

All that became moot when Congress refused to fund the Moonbase plans and president Obama eventually axed them. But the lunar probe has nonetheless produced many fascinating finds. Now, NASA believe that it may have discovered the crash site of a previous Lunar Orbiter 2.

Lunar Orbiter 2 had a similar mission to the Lunar Reconnaissance Orbiter, in that it was sent up to help with selection of landing sites for the Apollo moon missions. However the instrumentation of that era was far less sophisticated than todays.

Despite not being a total success in the matter of moon mapping, Lunar Orbiter 2 did achieve lasting fame when it sent back a stunning oblique image of the Copernicus crater in 1967 dubbed "the picture of the century" by news media. Later that year, its mission complete, the Orbiter was disposed of by commanding it to crash-land on the far side of the moon.

Its exact resting place has never been known, but now the operators of the Lunar Reconnaissance Orbiter have found what they believe is a tell-tale impact site just at the coordinates where the Orbiter should have come down.

It's not yet certain that this marks the final resting place of the greatest robot photographer of the last century, but scientists are working on confirmation. They say, stay tuned for more. (Science On_Line)

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WORLDBEAT: SOUTH AFRICAN RADIO LEAGUE CONSIDERS ON-AIR YOUTH FORUM

The South African Radio League Council is considering the formation of an on-the-air youth forum. The objective is to create a space where young radio amateurs can share ideas and talk to each other. The forum will be run with connections to various repeaters and HF. One proposal is to run it once a month at an early evening time slot. The Council would like to begin operations sometime in early December. (SARL)

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RADIOSPORTS: WRTC2014 RELEASES NEW PROMOTIONAL VIDEO

A new promotional video for the 2014 World Radiosport Team Championship games has been released by the events planners. Produced for the planners by noted film maker James Brooks, 9V1YC, the video showcases the aspect of radiosports along with showing the planning that goes into preparing to host an event of this magnitude.

For those not aware, the World Radiosport Team Championship or WRTC is held every four years. The games consist of approximately 50 two-person teams of amateur radio operators from around the globe competing in a test of operating skill. Unlike most on-the-air competitions, all stations are required to use identical antennas and to operate from the same geographic region. This eliminates all variables except operating skill and ability.

Hosting rights for the 2014 WRTC have been awarded to the New England WRTC2014 Organizing Committee. This organization is a newly-formed independent group, and not part of any existing organization, national society, or club and has taken the point position oin preparing for this ham radio Olympian-like event. You can see the new promotional video on-line at tinyurl.com/wrtc2014. More information on the planning of the 2014 World Radiosport Team Championship 2is on-line at wrtc2014.org.

(WRTC2014, Southgate, ARNewsline(tm))

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ON THE AIR: 8J1A TO CELEBRATE HAM FAIR 2011

To celebrate the Ham Fair amateur radio convention in Tokyo, Japan, special event station 8J1A will be activated between August 1st and the 28th. Planners say to expect stations to be active on all bands and using all modes. If you contact 8J1A, QSL via the J-A-R-L bureau.

(JARL, ICPO)

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In DX, word that I2DMI, will be on the air as CE0Y from Easter Island through Monday, August 8th. His operations are on 80 through 10 meters, including 17 and 12 meters using mostly RTTY. QSL via his home callsign, direct or via the bureau. His log will be uploaded to Logbook of the World and eQSL.

Members of the Dutch Low Land DXpedition Team are planning a trip to Luxembourg from August 30th to September 6th. Operators PA3EWP, PA9JO, PA7FM and PA1AW will be signing their individual home callsigns portable LX for this operation which will encompass all bands from 160 through 2 meters. The team is willing to accept activity requests reflecting the demand for the LX prefix worldwide. More details are available on line at lx2011 dot lldxt dot nl QSL all callsigns via PA1AW.

Another Netherlands-based team who are all members of the Dutch Amateur Radio Contest and Expedition team will be active as PA9M stroke MU from Guernsey between October 23rd to the 30th. Operations will be on 160 through 6 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via PA9M, direct or by the via the bureau.

Lastly, KBZ0ZIA is now active from Djibouti City as J28FJ and will be there through the spring of 2012. New to DXing, he is currently set up to work 40 through 10 meters mostly SSB, but he may do some changes later. He plans to make a special QSL card for his stay in Africa. QSL via his home callsign.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: BATC OFFERS FREE STREAMING SERVICE TO HAM RADIO EVENTS

And finally this week, if you want to webcast a ham radio happening to the world, the British Amateur Television Club is ready and eager to supply the assistance that you might need. According to an e-mail from Ian Abel, G3ZHI, the club has a high capacity streaming server available to any individual radio amateur or ham radio group that would like to use it for webcasting a ham radio event. According to G3ZHI, the server capacity was large enough to stream the recent AMSAT UK Space Colloquium:

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G3ZHI: "Last weekend we has AMSAT on for the whole of the weekend. We had about 100 in, and we had people all over the world watching the AMSAT-UL webcast."

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Nor is live netcasting the only aspeact of this free video streaming operation. Abel says that the BATC site is also a video repository for those who want to have their video material made available on-line:

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G3ZHI: "The other good thing that may be of interest is that on the website you can not only watch live events of other peoples webcasts happening in real time, but there is also on the film archive so that any webcasts that have happened are also saved on the server if people wan't to do that. Then they can thn save it in the Film Archive so that others can look at them. So it's a great resource."

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Ian tells Newsline that it is very easy to webcast and only requires the Adobe video encoder which is a free download and that use of the British Amateur Television Club streaming service is also free. If you are interested in making use of this service please contact Ian by e-mail to g3zhi (at) hotmail (dot) com. More information and the video archive is on-line at www dot batc dot tv. (G3ZHI)

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, in Southern Mississippi saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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Source record: 4415
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 7 August 2011

The news headlines:

* ARISSAT-1 deployed from ISS

* Portugal gets amended 6m band

* Dutch amateurs get new frequencies

After a long history of delays, AMSAT-built amateur satellite ARISSAT-1 was successfully deployed from the International Space Station on Wednesday 3 August. Cosmonauts Sergei Volkov and Alexander Samokutyaev hand-released the satellite, also known as Radioskaf-V, around 0243UTC. Initial reports say that the 2m downlink is working well, but full operational capability is not yet active. More information on the satellite can be found at www.arissat1.org.

The National Communications Authority of Portugal has accepted a proposal to amend the upper frequency limit on the 6m band, effective from 4 April 2012. That coincides with the date of the complete switch-off of the analogue TV broadcasting transmissions and the changeover to digital terrestrial television. The new limits of the band allocation for Portugal will be from 50 to 52MHz once analogue television disappears from that spectrum.

Amateurs in the Netherlands now have access to bands at 500kHz and 70MHz. This after the Dutch Minister of Economic Affairs, Agriculture & Innovation issued a Decree on 6 July changing the National Frequency Plan. The revised band plan shows an amateur service bands at 501 to 505kHz that will remain available until 1 January 2014. It also shows a new allocation from 70.0 to 70.5MHz that has no time limit.

Pic-A-Star is an SDR radio designed by Peter Rhodes, G3XJP, which was serialised in RadCom. It also appears in the RSGB Radio Communication Handbook. Milton Keynes ARS and Milton Keynes Museum are inviting all constructors of Pic-A-Stars to a one-day get together. This will be on Sunday 11 September from 11am to 4pm at the Milton Keynes Museum. Constructors of the Pic-A-star project are invited to bring their radios for a gathering and exchange of ideas. Star add-on circuits are also welcome. Entry will be free, but it would be nice to leave a small donation to the Museum. Constructors of other equipment designed by Peter are also welcome but the emphasis will be on the Pic-A-Star project. There will be test equipment and an antenna available on the

day. Further details and directions are available online at www.radio-kits.co.uk/pic_a_star/event.htm.

The Limerick 2m repeater on 145.725MHz is now on the air again after being shut down due to vandalism at the repeater site. Limerick Radio Club is grateful for the many generous donations received, which have gone towards installation of a new security door. A new run of hardline coax has also been installed from the hut to the mast.

On Friday 12 August, Itchen Valley Amateur Radio Club will be holding a fun ARDF event and barbecue at the IBM Sports Clubhouse, Hursley. The ARDF event will take place from 6.30pm onwards with the barbecue starting at 7.30pm. All equipment will be supplied and, as this is a fun and social event, spouses and children will be welcome to participate. There is no requirement to hold an amateur radio licence. Full details are available on the club website, www.ivarc.org.uk. Itchen Valley club members should note that this is a change of venue and there will be no meeting at the club house in Brickfield Lane.

Advance notice now. To celebrate their 80th anniversary, Midland Amateur Radio Society will be holding an open day at the club from 10am to 4pm on 24 September. There are plans are for displays of photographs, QSL cards, the original 1931 minute books and the cups and awards. There will also be refreshments and the opportunity to meet the training staff, plus the chance to operate GB8OTH. More information on the society, which is based in Stirchley, Birmingham, can be found on the club web site at www.radioclubs.net/mars.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

King's Lynn ARC Rally & Car Boot will take place today, 7 August, at Gaywood Community Centre, PE30 4DZ. Doors open at 10am and admission is £1.50. There will be trade stands and a car boot area. Details from Ray, G3RSV, on 01553 671 307.

The Lorn Radio Amateur Rally also takes place today, 7 August, at Crianlarich Village Hall, Crianlarich, near Oban, FK20 8QN. Doors open at 10am and there will be trade stands and a Bring & Buy. Details from GM0ERV by email to stewart.mciver@btinternet.com.

Cockenzie & Port Seton ARC is holding its 18th Annual Mini-Rally Night on Friday 12 August in the Community Centre, Main Hall, Port Seton. Bring along your own junk and sell it yourself. Tables are on a first come first served basis, £2 for everyone. Doors are open from 8.30 to 9.30pm.

Flight Refuelling ARS will be holding its annual Hamfest rally next Sunday, 14 August at the Cobham Sports and Social Club Ground at Merley, near Wimborne, Dorset, BH21 3DA. Gates open to the public at 10am. Talk-in will be on S22.

The Friskney & East Lincolnshire Communications Club Rally and General Car Boot Sale will be held on Sunday 14 August in the Friskney Village

Hall, Church Road, Friskney, Lincs. This is approximately 6.5 miles south of Skegness. Doors open from 10am to 4pm and admission is £1.50. Details from Bren, 2E0BDS, on 01754 820 060.

Now for the news of special events

Today, 7 August, a few amateurs in the Morecambe Bay area are putting a special event station on for the Heysham Classic Car Rally. They are trying to show the fun of amateur radio to a new audience. So if you're in the Morecambe area, please feel free to drop in or contact them on air. They will be operating 2m and HF between 10am and 4pm.

Today, Sunday 7 August, Chorley and District Amateur Radio Society is running a special event station from Fleetwood Model Yacht Club, who is celebrating its centenary. The callsign to listen out for is GB2MYA. Further information is on QRZ.com. And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

VA3ITA will be on the air from 8 to 11 August, signing as /portable ZB2 in a VHF-only operation from Gibraltar. Operations will be on 6 and 2 metres using a mix of digital, SSB and CW from the east side of the Rock, facing the Mediterranean Sea. Please check his QRZ.com page for the latest news and e-mail him directly to schedule a contact. QSL direct via home callsign either direct or via the bureau.

KF8UN will be in Peru until 16 August. He will be active stroke OA4 and says that he plans to work 20 metres with particular emphasis all day on 8 August. At other times he will be operating holiday style. QSL via his home callsign.

Daniel, DK3CH will be active as 9A/DK3CH from Dugi Otok, which is IOTA reference EU-170, until 10 August. QSL via his home callsign.

TM5SM will be on the air from the Saint Marcouf Islands, which is IOTA reference EU-081, on 11 to 15 August. They will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on all bands except 160 metres. QSL via F5RJM either direct or via the bureau.

Ron, WA8LOW and four other operators will be active as WA8LOW/KH8 from Tutuila in American Samoa, IOTA reference OC-045, until 17 August. They will run four high power stations on 160 to 6 metres using all modes. QSL via WA8LOW.

Now the contest news

The 432MHz Low Power Contest takes place today, 7 August, from 0800 to 1200UTC. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number, locator and the first two letters of the postcode.

Also today, 7 August, is the 2nd RoPoCo event. It's a 90-minute Sunday morning event from 0700 to 0830UTC in which you really need to be on your toes to do well, because the rolling exchange of postcodes is a real challenge. This is the CW leg, the SSB leg having taken place in April.

Tuesday 9 August sees the 432MHZ UK Activity Contest taking place between 1900 and 2130UTC. Using all modes on the 70cm band, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The new series of 80m Club Sprints starts in August and lasts four months. It begins with CW on the 10th from 1900 to 2030UTC. The Sprint contest exchange is both callsigns, a serial number and your name (or nickname in the case of some people). After soliciting a QSO you must QSY a minimum of 2kHz before you can call another station or solicit another QSO. Most of the time this will result in you having two QSOs on a frequency before you have to QSY, the first when you call someone and the second when you have taken over the frequency and called QRZ or CQ.

On 14 August the 70MHz Cumulative takes place between 1400 and 1600UTC. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

For the entire 48 hours of 14-15 August, European stations work non-Europeans only in the Worked All Europe DX CW Contest. Using CW on the 3.5 to 28MHz bands the exchange is signal report and serial number. And now the solar factual data for the period from the 25th to the 31st of July, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on the 1st of August.

Right at the start of the period on the 25th a large sunspot group rotated into view. This was followed by another on the 26th and yet another on the 28th. All these three groups were complex enough to produce large solar flares, and this is just what they did. Solar activity increased to high on the 30th when a M9 class solar flare occurred, and moderate on the 27th when a M1 flare took place. The remaining days' activity was low with numerous C class solar flares of varying strength taking place. Several sudden ionospheric disturbances accompanied some of the larger flares. Solar flux levels increased steadily from 87 units on the 25th to 119 by the 31st. The average was 104 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 31st was 95 units, that's the same level as last week. X-ray flux levels increased from B1.7 units on the 25th to B5 units by the 29th and the average was B3.7. Geomagnetic activity was slightly unsettled on the 25th due to a small coronal hole when the Ap index was 12 units. The following few days saw quiet conditions till the next coronal hole disturbance arrived around midday on the 30th. The most disturbed day was the 30th with an Ap index of 16 units. The average was Ap 8 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds at 650 kilometres per second on the 25th but then to 280 by the 29th. Speeds then increased to end the period at 700 kilometres per second. Particle densities were low every day. Bz varied between minus 12 and plus 10 nanoTeslas on the most disturbed day and between minus 3 and plus 2 nanoTeslas when activity was quiet.

And now the solar forecast. This week the quiet side of the Sun is expected to be rotating into view. Solar activity is expected to be very low to low. Solar flux levels should be around the 90 mark most days. Geomagnetic activity is expected to be at quiet levels for the

next few days but on Thursday a recurring coronal hole is expected. On its last rotation the hole was small and on the most disturbed day the Ap index only reached 13 units. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 22MHz for the south and 19MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be about 12MHz. Paths this week to Middle East should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 21MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 16MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 1100 and 1700 hours. Sporadic-E should take place on most days; there is a chance that the Middle East could be worked via multi-hop Es.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your

transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS Derby Wireless Club is celebrating its 100 years of continuous service to the amateur radio community. As part of this celebration, it will be operating GB100D constantly from Monday 8 August to Saturday 13 August and from Monday 15 August to Saturday the 20th. Operation will be from 80m to 70cm. The station will be at the club HQ, the United Reform Church Carlton Road, Derby. It will be open to the public, and there will be a display of historic radio equipment. More information is on the club website, www.derbywirelessclub.org.uk.

On Monday 8 August South Birmingham Radio Society is painting and renovating the shack. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Monday 8 August Sutton Coldfield Amateur Radio Society is having a general meeting with discussions and is on the air. More information from Robert Bird, by email to spirit.guide@hotmail.co.uk.

On Tuesday 9 August Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 9 August Eagle Radio Group is having a talk on the early history of telegraphy by Peter Day, G3PHO. Details from Terry, G0SWS, on 01507 478 590.

On Tuesday 9 August Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a 160m DF event. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Tuesday 9 August Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a Hamfest committee meeting at Stafford Park. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Wednesday 10 August Lincoln Short-Wave Club is putting G6COL on the air. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Wednesday 10 August Midland Amateur Radio Society is holding training classes. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 01214 229 787.

On Wednesday 10 August South Kesteven Amateur Radio Society is having an informal evening. Contact Nigel, M0CVO, on 01476 402 550.

On Wednesday 10 August Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a competition with G3UKV. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677. On Thursday 11 August Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is holding its club picnic and draw at Beechenhurst in the Forest of Dean. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Thursday 11 August Salop Amateur Radio Society is having its summer social BBQ. Details on the club website at www.salop-ars.org.uk.

On Friday 12 August Coventry Amateur Radio Society is having a portable night and BBQ at Newbold Comyn. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

On Friday 12 August South Birmingham Radio Society is having a construction evening. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Saturday 13 August Lincoln Short-Wave Club is in the shack. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Sunday 14 August Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club is holding its radio rally. Contact Chris, M0MFP, on 01507 442 240.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND On Sunday 7 August Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the RoPoCo CW contest. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Monday 8 August Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club starts its Advanced course, continues the Intermediate course, is on the air and having a natter night. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Monday 8 August Bolton Wireless Club is having a talk on homebrew G0KSC VHF/UHF Yagis by Mick, M0ICK. For details, send an email to boltonwireless@gmail.com.

On Monday 8 August Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by David Littlewood, G6DCT, on his OCFD antenna. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 8 August Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is holding an auction. Details on the web at www.tcars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 9 August Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is at the Old Post Office, Winding Road, Halifax, from 7pm. Contact Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341 317.

On Wednesday 10 August Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is participating in the 80m CC CW plus watching a DVD. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Wednesday 10 August Chorley and District Amateur Radio Society commences its Foundation and Intermediate courses. Details from Nessie, M0NES by email to nessie68@hotmail.com.

On Thursday 11 August Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air and having a club night. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 07876 085 631. On Thursday 11 August South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is watching the Japanese Morse DVD. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Thursday 11 August Wakefield & District Radio Society is having a talk on feedline by Dave Evans, G0EVA. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563 117.

On Friday 12 August East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is on the air. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Friday 12 August Tynemouth Amateur Radio Club is operating, holding discussions and offering Morse training. Contact Bob, M6KLO, by email to mail@g0nwm.com.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club will be holding a Foundation course and exam over the weekend of Friday 9 to Saturday 10 September. Any interested persons can complete an application form at www.muarc.com/courseapplicationform.htm or contact the exam secretary Martin, MI0YMF on 02838852712. Please note all forms must be completed and returned to the exam secretary before Tuesday 9 August 2011.

On Monday 8 August Greenisland Electronics Amateur Radio Society is on the air on 2m. Details from Peter Lowrie, MI5JYK, by email to mi5jyk@rsgb.org.uk.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday 9 August Kilmarnock & Loudoun Amateur Radio Club is having a club night. Contact Graham, MM3GDC, by email to mm3gdc@btinternet.com.

On Tuesday 9 August Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is holding an operating evening. Details from Norman, on 07740 946 192.

On Thursday 11 August Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on antenna tuners by Tony, GM4HTU. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663.

On Friday 12 August Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club has its 18th annual mini-rally night. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA On Sunday 7 August Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is spending the afternoon operating SSB as GB100MWT from the Marconi Hut, Sandford Mill. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on

01245 469 008.

On Sunday 7 August Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its breakfast meeting in Goring. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816 684. On Monday 8 August Bedford and District Amateur Radio Club is visiting the Museum of Military Intelligence. Details from Bob Leask, G3XNG, by email to g4ceotalk21.com.

On Monday 8 August Coulsdon Amateur Transmitting Society is holding a BBQ at the QTH of G4RWW. Details from Steve Beal, G3WZK, by email to secretary@catsradio.org.

On Monday 8 August Felixtowe & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a field activity evening at Felixstowe Beach. More information from Paul, G4YQC, by email to pjw@btinternet.com.

On Monday 8 August West Kent Amateur Radio Society is holding a club meeting. Details from Keith, G4JED, via email to westkentars@googlemail.com.

On Tuesday 9 August Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Tuesday 9 August Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is having a club net night. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Tuesday 9 August Harwell ARS is closed. Contact Malcolm, G8NRP, on 01235 524 844.

On Wednesday 10 August Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting at Danbury Village Hall. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Wednesday 10 August Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society invites members to bring their equipment for a members' forum. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday 10 August Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is having an informal, construction and shack evening, plus taking part in the RSGB 80m Club Sprint CW contest. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Wednesday 10 August South Essex Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by Brian, G7IIO on his marine exploits while working on the Tankers. Details from Dave, G4UVJ, on 01268 697 978.

On Wednesday 10 August Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its 2m fox hunt. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816 684.

On Thursday 11 August Bittern DX Group is having an informal meeting at Pinewood Park Leisure Club. Details from Linda, G0AJJ, on 01692 404 154.

On Thursday 11 August Edgware & District Radio Society is closed. More information from Mike, G4RNW, on 02089 500 658.

On Thursday 11 August Reading & District Amateur Radio Club is on the air at Woodley with Tom, G0VQR and David, M0DHO. Details from Pete, G8FRC, on 01189 695 697.

On Friday 12 August Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club is holding Morse classes. Contact Ron, G3KBR, on 01223 501 712.

On Friday 12 August Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is holding a fox hunt. Contact Peter, G4AKG, on 01444 239 371. On Friday 12 August Wimbledon & District Amateur Radio Society is closed. Contact Andrew Maish, G4ADM, on 02083 353 434.

On Saturday 13 August Harwell Amateur Radio Society is holding its annual summer BBQ. Contact Malcolm, G8NRP, on 01235 524 844.

On Sunday 14 August Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is spending the afternoon operating SSB as GB100MWT from the Marconi Hut, Sandford Mill. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST On Monday 8 August Exeter Amateur Radio Society is having a club night at the Moose Centre. More information from Nick, M6NRJ, on 01363 775756.

On Tuesday 9 August Blackmoor Vale Amateur Radio Society is having preparing for the FRARS rally and having a talk on kite antennas by Derek, M0WOB. Contact Tony, G0GFL, on 01258 860 741.

On Tuesday 9 August Mid Somerset Amateur Radio Club is having a natter and operating night. Contact Nick, M6NJB, on 01749 346 320.

On Tuesday 9 August Plymouth Radio Club is having a club meeting and putting the club station on the air. Details from Chris, M0ZCP, on 07834 767 161.

On Wednesday 10 August Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Thursday 11 August South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is holding a committee meeting. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

On Thursday 11 August Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having a DF hunt and social evening. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Thursday 11 August Yeovil Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by M0WOB on the Mizuho MX transceivers. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk.

On Friday 12 August North Bristol Amateur Radio Club is holding a committee meeting. More information from Dick on 01454 218 362.

On Friday 12 August Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

On Sunday 14 August Blackmoor Vale Amateur Radio Society is attending the FRARS rally. Contact Tony, G0GFL, on 01258 860 741.

NEWS FOR WALES No news items have been received for Wales this week.

726. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #1021.2

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-05 22:51:00 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <501222.60042.qm@smtp107.sbc.mail.ne1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 4416
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1021.2
Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin No. 1021.2

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Special Bulletin No. 1021.2
BID: $OPDX.1021.2
August 5, 2011
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX
Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet
Clusters Network, NC1L, K4UUE and N6PSE for the following DX information.

DXCC NEWS.....
* DXCC CONTACT INFORMATION CHANGE - Bill Moore, NC1L, Awards Branch
Manager reports, "Changes have been made to the DXCC E-mail contact
system. Please check your address book and make note of the following:
dxcc@arrl.org is no longer in use.
In an effort to better serve our clients, we have created a number
of new E-mail addresses that will be delivered to the most appropriate
person depending upon the subject.
Please visit <http://www.arrl.org/awards-branch-contacts> for a
listing of the new e-mail addresses and the general topics that they
cover.

* Bill Moore, NC1L, Awards Branch Manager, reports the following
operation is approved for DXCC credit:
ST0R South Sudan; Current operation

HK0, MALPELO ISLAND (Press Release). FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE -
"Malpelo DXpedition 2012 (August 5, 2011)
Contact: bob@k4uee.com
The Malpelo 2012 DXpedition is pleased to announce that the HK0NA
operating team is now complete with 16 operators. This is an international
team of excellent operators, representing 8 different countries, and
includes 3 members of the CQ DX Hall of Fame.
The team will depart from Buenaventura, Colombia on January 22, 2012,
for the 235 mile trip to Malpelo. Depending on sea and landing conditions,
we expect to be QRV within 36 hours after landing for about 10-12 days.
The team will return to Buenaventura on Feb. 6, 2012.
Operations are planned on 160 through 6 meters on CW, SSB and Digital
modes.
We wish to thank Elecraft for the loan of seven K3 transceivers and
five of the new KPA 500 amplifiers. RF Concepts (Alpha) has agreed to

loan the team three Alpha 8410 amplifiers for use on the low bands and
DX Engineering will supply most of the DXpedition antennas.
Thanks to N2OO and the SJDXA who have graciously agreed to handle QSL
duties. You may recall the expert job they did for 3Y0X and K5D recently.
Contributions are being sought from DX Foundations, DX Clubs and
individual DXers. Your financial assistance is kindly requested. You may
contribute directly to DXARC (Colombia) or to K4UEE (North America), DJ9ZB
(Europe), or JA1ELY (Asia/JA). See our website: www.hk0na.com for further
details on how you can help.
We plan periodic press releases with information of interest. Also,
watch the website for breaking news.
Thanks,
Jorge Prieto, HK1R
DXpedition Leader"

ST0, SOUTH SUDAN UPDATE. Here is the latest information regarding the
South Sudan DXpedition from Paul, N6PSE:
Dispatch Juba:
"Today, the Undersecretary of the Ministry of Communications and his
staff visited the ST0R team and observed our operations.
The Undersecretary has been very supportive of our plans to conduct
this DXpedition to the new country of the Republic of South Sudan.
Following the visit to the radio shack, we enjoyed a cordial lunch
and exchanged documents to commemorate the first DXpedition to the
Republic of South Sudan.
The ST0R team is also assisting the Ministry of Communications with
the ITU application for their own prefix. We are also providing them
guidence to establish their own Amateur Radio activities.

Thank you,
The ST0R team."

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new
FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the
following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced
mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send
mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE
OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=help>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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Excerpts and distribution of The OPDX Bulletin are granted as long as
KB8NW/OPDX/BARF80 receive credit. To contribute DX info, please send
via InterNet Mail to: kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org - OR - kb8nw@arrl.net
Information can now be faxed to the following "NEW" phone line at:
1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)

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Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW - kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org --or-- kb8nw@arrl.net
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President of the "Northern Ohio DX Association" (NODXA)
DX Chairman for the "Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society
ARRL Assistant Director of the Great Lakes Division
Sysop of the "Basic Amateur Radio Frequency BBS" (BARF80.ORG)

727. A61K CONTEST TEAM - CQ WW SSB 2011 - INFO

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-06 11:07:49 UTC
From: s52ru <rabic.romeo@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <07527cc7-552e-4a80-af4e-39b1e4f22e79@l7g2000vbz.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4417

Contesting from United Arab Emirates

in an international operator team

SITE UPDATED TODAY
http://seecc.net/A61K_TEAM.html
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73 ROMEO S52RU / ZL2RU

728. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.amateur.*

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-07 06:05:00 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/recruitment-1-1312697100@panix.com>
Source record: 4418
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/recruitment
Revision: 1.2 2009/11/25 14:41:01
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/

Changes followed by "|".

The rec.radio.info newsgroup, first established in 1993, has been
recently revived by an active moderation team. We are currently seeking
suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.amateur.* (and currently archived
at http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/ ):

radio/personal-intro
Subject: Guide to the rec.radio Newsgroups
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 9 Nov 2001 06:18:17 GMT
Posting-Frequency: 15th of each month

One significant omission, requiring immediate updates, for this article |
is that it does not mention newer amateur radio newsgroups created since |
it was written, including: |

rec.radio.amateur.antenna |
rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors |
rec.radio.amateur.dx |
rec.radio.amateur.equipment |
rec.radio.amateur.homebrew |
rec.radio.amateur.moderated |
rec.radio.amateur.space |

We are willing to provide any technical support necessary to get this
article updated and automatically posted again at a regular interval.
This would include establishing contact with the original maintainer for
any necessary permissions. We would prefer to seek a new, dedicated
maintainer at this time, rather than start auto-posting the original
article ourselves.

For more information about our newsgroup, see:
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http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

729. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.swap

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-07 06:10:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/swap/recruitment-1-1312697400@panix.com>
Source record: 4419
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/swap/recruitment
Revision: 1.1 2007/09/29 18:42:57
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide

Changes followed by "|".

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recently revived by an active moderation team. We are currently seeking
suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.swap (and currently archived at
http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide/ ):

radio/swap-guide
Subject: Rec.radio.swap FAQ: A Guide to Buying and Selling on Usenet
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 6 Nov 2001 19:25:51 GMT
Posting-Frequency: Monthly

We are willing to provide any technical support necessary to get this
article updated and automatically posted again at a regular interval.
This would include establishing contact with the original maintainer for
any necessary permissions. We would prefer to seek a new, dedicated
maintainer at this time, rather than start auto-posting the original
article ourselves.

For more information about our newsgroup, see:

http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.
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730. Infoline 235

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-07 08:47:15 UTC
From: ZL1AMW <infoline@nzart.org.nz>
Message-ID: <27F241F845E6466986B52BE0C247E1F4@AlanLaptop>
Source record: 4420
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

NZART Headquarters Infoline Issue 235

7 August 2011

NZART Website: www.nzart.org.nz

In this issue:

- From the desk of HQ
- IARU R 3 News update
- Intruder Watch story
- Situation Vacant - job opportunity
- FMTAG Notes
- News from around the World
- Housekeeping

Debby says.

Break In will be a little late but you should all receive it by the end of this coming week. This is due to a couple of important notices which will be inserted in this issue.

Subscription invoices will be just behind the front label, if you do not receive an invoice, it means you have already paid your subscription for 2012.

A small number of members sometimes overpay their subs when they see the reminder notice that our Editor John Walker includes on the front label in October and December. This is not an invoice, just a reminder to those who have yet to pay.

The Association Treasurer Evan Sayer and I initially tried to contact those who had overpaid in earlier years so we could reimburse these payments. It was very time consuming and in the end was not cost effective to do so, therefore we credited the members account. Rest assured the money has definitely been accounted for in the correct financial year and our auditors have also approved such a method.

The second insert in Break In, is a brochure from Icom, advertising the nice little VHF hand held Radio that will be won by some lucky member who pays their 2012 sub before the end of November this year. This includes the ones mentioned above.

I have received a number of queries regarding non receipt of HQ Info-line, usually if an e-mail address fails to deliver this sends an error report to the Webmaster, so if you know of someone who should have received the last few issues, but haven't get them to confirm their address is still current.

Finally I notice volunteers have been conspicuous by their absence regarding the Webmaster and HQ Info-line Editor positions. If there is anyone interested please contact me at NZART headquarters.

Talk soon.Debby ZL2DL

Intruder Watch Story

Well an interesting time has been had by all in the past week. A Radio Amateur in Northern California, inadvertently pushed a keyboard up to his keyer, which produced a stream of dots at 25 WPM for well over a week. An international effort from Region 3 bringing in Region 1 via the Intruderwatch and various posts to DX Clusters and Yahoo groups eventually resulted in the Radio Amateur being contacted via the ARRL in the USA.

Signal reports were received from Europe, USA, Afica and Australia and New Zealand (who heard it first and raised the alarm).

The resultant HF DF hunt resulted in a solid triangulation on the USA states from Radio Amateurs from all over the world.

Finally, we can only imagine a slightly embarrassed Radio Amateur within the US was contacted and the stream nicknamed "Dotty" ceased yesterday.

Excellent collaboration throughout the Intruderwatch organisations across Europe, USA and New Zealand, which could only have occurred with the support of the Radio Amateurs who participated in the hunt, providing signal and reports. For a week the 18085.5 signal was an excellent HF beacon for propagation.

Another exciting tale from the NZART Monitoring Service - who says monitoring is boring?
John ZL1GWE

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ZL6RWC Special Event callsign.

Earlier this year, NZART officers discussed the issuing of special callsigns to celebrate the Rugby World Cup during September and October 2011.

A request has been made and granted by Council for the special call ZL6RWC be issued to Papakura Radio Club inc. for NZ amateur radio operators use from 1st September through to and including 31st October 2011.

John Balsillie, ZL1ALZ will manage the special ZL6RWC callsign. John will run a spread sheet to record operator details and the band / modes

used during their allocated time.

If you would like to operate with this special callsign, contact John at gibit@xtra.co.nz and give John the date/dates, bands and modes you would like allocated for your use.

All operators who use this special call will be required to supply an electronic log to John via email. For anyone who does not have email or a way to generate and supply an electronic log, it will be their responsibility to have someone complete this for them as 'paper' logs will not be accepted and John will not be converting any hand written logs received. This will not exclude anyone, just requires them to take an extra step to ensure that their contacts get recorded in the master log. John will normally upload logs daily to the master log.

We suggest that QSL confirmation is via Club Log and LOTW... printed QSL cards will also be exchanged via the bureau.

Another NZART initiative.

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FMTAG NOTES FOR THE NZART WEBSITE AND FOR HQ INFOLINE 235

PROPOSALS

Branch 25 Napier has applied to change the channel, and invert the input-output frequency split, of its 8425 repeater located at Taraponui, Topo50 map reference BH38 233618. The repeater's transmit frequency will be 434.050 MHz and its receive frequency will be 439.050 MHz.

ZL2AJ has applied for an APRS Digipeater located at Kauahei Topo50 map reference BL38 166828. The digipeater's transmit and receive frequency will be 144.575 MHz.

FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS

At its meeting on Tuesday the 2nd of August, NZART Council approved the following actions:

Add 146.600 MHz to the NZART Bandplan for P25 Simplex.

Branch 63 Upper Hutt has applied to add the D-STAR DV digital mode to, and change the location of, its Mount Climie 5425 repeater. The new location will be Topo50 map reference BP32 798.83 423.94. An Engineering Evaluation, in accordance with the MED's Radio Licence Certification Rules (PIB38), shows that the repeater's transmit frequency can remain on 145.425 MHz and the receive frequency can remain on 144.825 MHz, and that there will be no interference to other stations.

Branch 66 Auckland VHF has applied for a D-STAR DV digital mode repeater at Klondyke, Topo50 map reference BC32 602.01 641.50. The repeater's transmit frequency will be 145.650 MHz and the receive frequency will be 145.050 MHz. An Engineering Evaluation, in accordance with the MED's Radio Licence Certification Rules (PIB38), shows that there will be no interference to other stations.

COMMENTS AND APPLICATIONS

Please send your comments and suggestions on the above matters, and on any other FMTAG matters, by e-mail to: fmtag@nzart.org.nz

Applications for repeaters, beacons, digipeaters, point-to-point links, and so on, should be made on the latest version of FMTAG Form 10. The latest versions of FMTAG Form 10, and the explanatory Form 10A, are available on the NZART web site:

http://www.nzart.org.nz/fmtag/index.html

Completed forms should be sent by e-mail to fmtag@nzart.org.nz

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News from around the World

Larry Price, W4RA, Named ARRL President Emeritus: Dr Price served as ARRL President from 1984-1992 and served previously as a Vice Director, Director and Vice President of the ARRL Board of Directors. He also served for 10 years as Secretary of the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) and another 10 years as that organization's President. Dr Price continues to serve the IARU as an expert consultant and has been recognized as President Emeritus by the IARU's Administrative Council. In celebration of Dr Price's service to the Amateur Radio Service and in recognition of his 60th anniversary as a radio amateur, the Board named him President Emeritus of the ARRL.

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IARU HEADLINES

- A Word from the Chairman of IARU Region 3 - Michael Owen
VK3KI * IARU Region 3 directors meeting .

- 2011 8th Region 3 ARDF Championships- a reminder

- The 54th JOTA 2011

- Rugby World Cup 2011: a reminder

- ITU Telecom World 2011- a reminder

- WRC-12 - Region 3 Preparations

- APG Meeting- Busan, Korea * Seanet 2011- a reminder

- The 2012 International YL Meet- a reminder

MS Word version of this newsletter is available at
http://www.iaru-r3.org/news/r3nl-11-07.doc
Acrobat PDF version is also available at
http://www.iaru-r3.org/news/r3nl-11-07.pdf

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International Lighthouse Weekend 20 - 21 August 2011.

http://www.arvm.org/illw11.html

This site has an English Translation function.

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Housekeeping

1.. Break-In-Closing Date Reminder: Copy for the Sept/October issue of
Break-In-closes on 10-September-2011
2.. Copy for Break-In: Copy is welcome in most electronic formats but
word.doc files are preferred. Photos and other graphics should be send
as separate discrete files (*.jpg preferred); not as embedded pix in the
body of the text. Please ensure that suitable descriptive
captions/legends are included with your copy.
All received copy will be acknowledged to confirm receipt.
Thank you for your cooperation.
John Walker ZL3IB Editor.
3.. Break-In: Early receipt of copy is much appreciated
4.. Break-In-AREC Column: The close-of-copy date is the
03-September-2011 for articles for publication in the AREC COLUMN OF
BREAK-IN. Photos, if available, to be on a separate floppy or CD (with
captions), posted DIRECTLY TO US. Use Call Book address. All other
material can go to e-mail:
zl3qr@nzart.org.nz or zl3ov@nzart.org.nz
5.. The ARRL and WIA Weekly News
6.. Subscribe TO/FROM Infoline
Next NZART Official Broadcast is on SUNDAY 28th August 2011 and Next

HQ-Infoline e-mailed on SUNDAY 21st August 2011.

731. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2011-022E - Industry Canada Responds Favourably to RAC request for access to 60M. Public consultation to begin shortly.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-07 17:16:28 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4E3EC82C.1050007@rac.ca>
Source record: 4421
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2011-022E - Industry Canada Responds Favourably to RAC request for access to 60M. Public consultation to begin shortly.
2011-08-07

Over the last year RAC has been in discussions with Industry Canada with the objective of obtaining access to 60M. This has been a policy objective of RAC since Spring of 2010.

At the last CARAB meeting between RAC and Industry Canada on May 17, 2011, two of the major items discussed were updates to Industry Canada's regulatory documents (RBR-4 and RIC-3), and the RAC request for an assignment of certain frequencies in the 60m (5 MHz) band to the amateur service in Canada. Neither of these subjects was finalized at the time of the meeting, but Industry Canada undertook to respond to RAC on both ofthem this summer.

Industry Canada has now informed RAC that at this point is sees no reason not to respond favourably to the RAC request for frequencies at 60m on a no protection, non-interference basis.

The new frequencies would be included in the schedule of amateur frequencies in the updated edition of RBR-4 to be released for public consultation in the future. Public submissions will be considered by Industry Canada in preparation for the final version of RBR-4. Any new frequencies it contains would become available to Canadian amateurs at the time of release of the updated RBR-4. Thus, if all goes well, Canadian amateurs may expect to gain access to frequencies at 60m, basically the same as those in the US, some time this fall.

The anticipated success of this initiative is the result of many months of effort from the RAC executive and volunteers, including the HF Band Planning Committee, and also from all of those amateurs who have made observations on the use of these frequencies and relayed their comments to RAC on the need for this band in Canada. We would not have been successful without all of your help and input.

Geoff Bawden, VE4BAW
President and Chair Radio Amateurs of Canada
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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 31st-July, through Sunday, 7th-August there were 217 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5R, 5T, 5X, 5Z, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, CE, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HK0/a, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, JA, JD/o, JT, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH8, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PY, PY0F, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, ST0, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T32, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TL, TT, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9L, VP5, VP8, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZD9, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

9N, NEPAL (Update). A multi-national team, all members of Mediterraneo DX Club (MDXC), will be active as 9N0MD from Nepal during November. Operators mentioned are Dov/4Z4DX, Ziv/4Z4OQ, Marco/CE6TBN, Henri/F1HRE, Bernard/F9IE, Gabriele/I2VGW, Pino/I8YGZ, Dario/IT9SSI, Antonello/IT9YVO,

Al/IV3BSY, Giuliano/IV3RLB, Fabricio/IZ2KXC, Tony/IZ2ESV, Marco/IZ2GNQ, Sergio/IZ3NXC, Ant/IZ8CCW, Eric/ON7RN, Luis/XE1L, Guillermo/XQ3SA and Adhi/YB3MM. The pilot stations are Pino/IZ8BGY (EU & RotW) and Don/N1DG (N & S America). Activity will be on all HF bands and modes. NO QSL route announced yet. For more details and updates, visit their new and improved Web page at: http://www.mdxc.org/nepal2011

A6, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES. Members of the South East Europe Contest Club will be active as A61K during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Multi-2 entry. Operators mentioned are Romeo/S52RU, Khalid/A61BK, Khalid/A61K, Nenad/YU2M, Marko/YT2T, Suad/DK6XZ and possibly others. QSL via EA7FTR. Visit the South East Europe Contest Club's Web page at: http://seecc.net/A61K_TEAM.html

CE/XR, CHILE. Hector, CE3FZL, Manager for the Diploma Faros de Chile (FEDERACHI), announced that several Chilean groups will be activating several lighthouse (both north and south in Chile) for the upcoming International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend (ILLW). Look for the following to be on the air between August 19-21st:
CE2C - Faro Cofradia Nautica del Pacifico; Radio Club Direcci&#65533;n General de Aeron&#65533;utica Civil/CE3RAC
CE2UNE - Baliza Rio Limari, Ovalle; Manuel/CE2UNE
XR2FCU - Faro Punta Curaumilla (CL0017); Radio Club de Valparaiso/CE2AA
XR2FPC - Faro Punta Condell (CL0015); Radio Club de Valparaiso/CE2AA
XR2FPD - Faro Punta Duprat (CL0016); Radio Club de Valparaiso/CE2AA
XR2Q - Faro Quintay (CL0018); Radio Club Carabineros de Chile/CE3ETE
XR6Z - Morro Gonzalo (CL0019); Carlos/CE6AMN
XR7F - Faro Corona, Chiloe; Radio Club Provincial Chilo&#65533; Castro/CE7BLI

CO9, CUBA (NA-015). Members of "Baracoa Radio Club" (CO8RCJ), with the support by the Guant&#65533;namo HQ - "Federaci&#65533;n de Radioaficionados de Cuba", will be active as CO9OBB on August 12th. Activity is to celebrate the 500th anniversary of the very first Cuban Village founded in 1511. Operators mentioned are: Oriol/CO8CY, Sinesio/CO8AW, Rafael/CM8RRM, Gamez/CO8ZQ, Walfredo/CM8WAL, Rafael/CO8RS and CO8MT. Special event station will be on the air between 1800z, August 12th, and 1800z, August 14th. Activity will be on 80/40/20/15 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via "Federaci&#65533;n de Radioaficionados de Cuba" Bureau.

CS, PORTUGAL. Members of the Association of Radioamadores of the Village of Moscavide (ARVM) will be active as CS2HNI from the lighthouse (ILLW PT-0012, DFP FES-12, ARLHS POR-021) at Forte do Cavalo - Sesimbra (DCFP F-038, DMHP ST-028, WCA CT-00214) during the International Lighthouse/ Lightship Weekend (August 20-21st). Activity will be on 40/20/15/10 meters SSB. QSL via CT1RVM, by the Bureau is preferred. PLEASE NOTE: This special event station is in memory of their good friend Arthur Gil, CT2HNI.

EA6, BALEARIC ISLANDS. Adrian, AA5UK, will once again be active as EA6/AA5UK from Ibiza (EU-004, DIE E-023, MIA MB-003, WLOTA 0958, Grid Loc. JM09tb), between October 20th and November 3rd. Activity will be holiday

style on 80-10 meters using mostly SSB and various Digital modes. He will also be in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Single-Op/ All-Band/Low-Power entry. Operations will be 100 watts and wire antennas. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau, direct, LoTW or eQSL.

FP, ST. PIERRE & MIQUELON. Mike, VE2XB, will be active as FP/VE2XB from St. Pierre & Miquelon Islands (NA-032, DIFO FP-002, WLOTA 1417) between August 14-21st. Activity will have a special focus on 6 meters, but he will also be active on all bands from 80-6 meters. QSL via VE2XB (see QRZ.com).

FP, ST. PIERRE & MIQUELON. Martin, G3ZAY, will be active as FP/G3ZAY from Miquelon (NA-032, DIFO FP-002, WLOTA 1417) between September 24-29th. Activity will be on all HF bands. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

FREE COUNTRY AND PREFIX LISTS. Pete, SWL G-13038, from the "DX Newsdesk" is providing a FREE "Country and Prefix Lists" on his Web page that have been updated to show the 341 DXCC countries. ST0 has been used for South Sudan - as per the current DXpedition. However, all lists will be updated again as soon as the ITU issues a new prefix allocation for the new country. The files can be downloaded from DX Newsdesk at:
http://www.dx-newsdesk.co.uk
If requested, Pete will also E-mail you the 8+meg zipped file via:
dx_newsdesk@yahoo.co.uk --or-- pete@dx-newsdesk.co.uk

HB0, LIECHTENSTEIN. Jan, OK1XD, will be active as HB0/OK1XD between September 1-10th. Activity will be holiday style on 80-10 meters using mainly RTTY and PSK31, with some SSB and CW. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau (preferred) or direct. PLEASE NOTE: Begin and end dates uncertain - actual info will be on QRZ.com.

HI3, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC. Operators "Yukon John"/KL7JR and XYL Claire/WL7MY will be back to their Dominican Republic ocean front condo on the north shore of Hispaniola Island (NA-96) around mid-September through 2013. The HI3/KL7JR license has been renewed for a year, so expect to hear them on HF SSB concentrating on 12, 17, 40 and 80 meters and 6 meters! They also plan to continue their antenna experimenting with MFJ mobile verticals and Wilson FGT-2 CB verticals as mini yagis from their 3rd floor patio. Rigs include Kenwood TS-570D and Ten Tec 599. Antennas: Vertical Loop (10-20m), TAK-tenna 80 (40 and 80m) and misc. 6 meter wires. QSL per info on QRZ.com. E-mail for skeds are welcome <KL7JR@Yahoo.com>. They expect to check in on 40 and 80 meters (OMISS and 3905 CCN) frequently. Check out John's article on "An Indoor Reduced Size Rectangular Loop" at:
http://www.hamuniverse.com/kl7jrindoorloop4010.html

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-026. Operators Ki-Sun/HL4MC, Gyeong/HL4CEL, Wang-hyun/HL4RBR, Kei/HL2UVH, Eun-Gwang/DS4EOI, Nao/JA1HGY and Zorro/JH1AJT will be active as D9A from Cheju Island between August 19-26th. This special callsign will be used during the 20th Asian Conference on Intellectual Disabilities from the Ramada

Plaza Jeju Hotel. Activity will be on 160-10 meters, 6 and
2 meters, using CW, SSB, RTTY and FM. QSL via DS4EOI.

EU-081. (Update) A French-Belgium group will be active as TM5SM from
Saint Marcouf Island (WLH LH0060, DIFM MA0001) between August
11-15th. Operators mentioned are Jean-Bernard/F4RTE, Jean-
Claude/F5IL, Jacques/F5JY, Jean/F5NKX, Denis/F5RJM, Alan/
F6BFH, Maryse/F8FDN (YL), Benoit/F8PDR and Francois/ON4LO.
Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. They
will have three stations on 24 hours a day. QSL via F5RJM,
direct or by the Bureau. 32% of IOTA community needs EU-081.
Alan informs OPDX, "Now it's extremely difficult to obtain all
permissions to stay on this island (Birds reserve), and access
is dangerous. Please respect the rules of the traffic and of
the 'HAM SPIRIT', we will try to satisfy a maximum of you."
By the way, this is Alan's, F6BFH, 70th IOTA activity on 5
continents!

EU-156. Members of the "INVOKER TEAM" will be active as TM0INT from
Tombelaine Island between late Saturday morning, September
10th, to early afternoon Sunday, September 11th. Operators
mentioned are Christian/EA3NT, Vincent/F4BKV and Simon/IZ7ATN.
They will have two 100w stations on the air using vertical
dipoles. QSL via EA5KA only.

EU-189. A team of four highly experienced IOTA activators are planning
to operate from the extremely rare and dangerous Isle of
Rockall possibly between the end of May or the beginning of
June 2012. The team will land and stay on top of Rockall for
a maximum 48 hours. Operators mentioned are George/EA2TA,
Christian/EA3NT, Simon/IZ7ATN and Col/MM0NDX. All operators
were part of the recent larger MS0INT IOTA operation this
past June. The team is looking for funds to help offset some
of this expense. Significant contributors will be added to
their QSL card. To donate, you can use paypal at:
rockall.eu189@gmail.com
A Web site is currently under construction.

OC-130. Maarten, PA3GZU, will once again be active as DU9/PA3GZU
from Mindanao Island (OC-130, WLOTA 2803) between August
12th and September 4th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters
using SSB and PSK31. Operations will be with a TS520SE and
TH6DXX. QSL via his home callsign, the Bureau is preferred.

KC2, UNITED STATES (Special Event). Members of the Kings County Repeater
Association (KCRA) will be on the air as KC2RA honoring the memory of
the 911 tragedy. Activity will take place on September 10th, between
1300-2100z (9:00 am until 5:00 pm DST). Watch the following frequencies
and links:
20m - 14.295 USB KC2RA repeater: 146.430 MHz (1.0) PL 136.5
40m - 7.250 LSB Echo link: KC2RA-R
EchoLink node # 132967 (KC2LEB-R)

Frequencies may vary due to conditions and usage of the bands. They may not be on all frequencies at the same time. The KCRA will be a part of the 911 events held at the historic Conference House on Staten Island. The museum is named in memory of the 1776 conference convened at the house in an attempt to end the Revolutionary War. On September 11, 1776 - A peace conference was held on Staten Island with British Admiral, Lord Richard Howe, meeting American representatives including John Adams and Benjamin Franklin. The conference fails as Howe demands the colonists revoke the Declaration of Independence. KCRA will send a special confor-mation QSL card honoring this event if you send them a SASE (self addressed stamped envelope) to: KCRA 911 Memorial Event, PO Box 280288, Brooklyn, NY 11228-0288. Visit the KCRA Web page at: http://www.kc2ra.com

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (August 8-14th)....
Aug 08 HN-AN SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS
Aug 09 HN-AN --------------------
Aug 10 HN-AN BN - Below Normal
Aug 11 HN-AN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Aug 12 AN-AN LN - Low Normal
Aug 13 AN-HN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Aug 14 HN-AN DIS - Disturbed
VDIS - Very Disturbed

GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

PJ2, CURACAO. Operators YL Anja/DH2AK and Torsten/DL1THM will be active as PJ2/DH2AK and PJ2/DL1THM from Curacao (SA-099, WLOTA LH-0942) between August 21st and September 8th. Activity will be holiday style using an IC-7000 and a buddipole, maybe portable from a beach depending on the local circumstances. QSL via their home callsign, by the Bureau or direct. See details QRZ.com.

PJ6, SABA. Fred, K9VV, will be active as PJ6/NP2X from Saba Island (NA-145) between September 4-9th. Activity will be holiday style primarily on CW with some SSB (No Digital). QSL via K5WW.

PJ7, ST. MAARTEN (Update). Isao, JH1ROJ/KG8XV, will be active as PJ7ROJ (possibly) from St. Maarten (NA-105) between August 18-25th. Activity will be on all HF bands using CW and SSB. He will use a FT-450 with a 500w amp into a HF6V and 2 element beam for the higher bands. He informs OPDX that he would like to emphasize working JA and Asia on higher bands. QSL via his home callsign. Log will be uploaded to LoTW after the operation.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated August 7th)

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3Z0EPC via SP1EG IM0/IZ5EBL via IZ5EBL R70BP via UA3YY
5P0O via OZ1GDI IP1DIE via EA5KB R2011UFO via RA9FDR
9A/DH3MIT via DH3MIT IP7W via IK7JWX S79NU via DL8NU
9A/S51DI/P via S51DI IQ7HK via IK7FPX SA4BTD via LA0BX
9A8BEN via DO1BEN J48LH via SV3DCX SO8SM via DF3SM
CP6/DF9GR via DF9GR JT1LU via JA7LU SV0XBZ/5 via YL2VW
CR2T via CU2AF K3D via KB3NPA SV2/DB1CP via DB1CP
CR5B via CT1BOL LA/OE9ICI via OE9ICI SV5/SM8C via SM0CMH
CR6W via CS1GDX LY/SP5VYI via SP5VYI TK/DC1SK via DC1SK
CS2W via HB9CRV LZ/RN3DHA via RV3DHC TM0MN via F4DTO
(Bureau)
D2QR via D2QR LZ/RV3ATS via RV3ATS TM1G via ON6DP
(direct)
DL/ON4ACA via ON4ACA LZ0I via LZ1BJ or F6CNM
(Bureau)
DR16BENE via DL7BC LZ1670SWS via LZ1KZA TM7T via ON7EQ
DR60BENE via DG2MEL OE/DL5MO/P via DL5MO UA6IC/6 via RZ7G
E70WFF via E77E OL9CX via OK1DX UE90K via UA9XL
EG5PSH/MM via EA3NW OZ/DG5LAC via DG5LAC W1T via WW1N
EM0UBC via UR4UXD OZ2SPACE via OZ7AKT XE1FSK via EA5KB
ER44WFF via ER1RR PA6NH via PH9HB YR6WFF via YO6KNE
FO/N6JA via N6JA R2RA via RN3RQ YV6JG via EA5KB or
YV-Bureau
IJ7A via IK7IMO R50CGT via UA4CDV ZP9MCE via EA5ZD

QSL BY THE BUREAU. Alan, F6BFH, is the QSL Manager for TO5SM, TO5SM/P and FG/F6BFH. If you want a QSL via the Bureau, don't send the QSL but give him the informations about the QSO(s) via E-mail at: qsl@f6bfh.net He will answer via Bureau (very quickly).

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 3DA0VB, 5B4AIF, 5H3VMB, 5Z4/UA4WHX, 7Q7VB, CE1WZ, CT1HFS, DL4MCF, DU3/N0QM, E77DX, EB1LA, EF1S, EU7A, F4BKV, F4FQH, F5BSB, FJ/OS1T, FP/K9OT, FP/VA2WA, HK1R, HK3O, HP1/IZ6BRN, KH7Y, LU2FE, LU4FLJ, LZ910PNO, MM0TFU/P, OX3XR, PJ4/N5WR, PJ4LS, PU8TEP, PV8ABC, R6AF/P, S21YZ, ST2VB, SU9VB, T93J, TG9AJR, TM7CC, TV6BFE, V47KP, V48M, VE6CMV, VK4IR, VK9HR and XE1/DM3DL

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3DA0TM, 4A4A, 4S7AB, 5M2TT, 5N/LZ1QK, 5V7CC, 8P0P, 9P9NX, BU2AQ, CO6RD, CO6WD, CT1HZE, CU2/G7VJR, D2EB, DU1IST, EA6/AA5UK, EA8BLL, EI9JU, EL2DT, EX9T, FJ/OS1T, G4RCG, GB4CI, GR4RCG, IG9E, J6/W0SA, JX/G7VJR, JX/SQ4MP, K6VVA/VE7, MS0INT, OH0R, PJ2/W8QID, PJ4E, PJ76, PW2D, PY2MTV, RA3CQ, S21YZ, SV2ASP/A, SV5AZP, T6JC, T6TL, T8XO, TG7/HR2DMR, TG7WW, TL0A, TM0Z, UO5OOW, VK0KEV, VO1KT, VP5CW, VR2XMT, YN7SU, YV5KM/OA4, ZD7FT, ZD8W and ZK2A

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 4A4A, A35AY, TJ9PF

ST0, SOUTH SUDAN (Update). The ST0R team is expected to be active until August 10th; word has it they will go QRT between 0700-0800z. Totals as of 1623z, August 7th, are 108029/QSOs with 25734/Unique callsigns. The breakdown is: 50342/CW, 42707/SSB and 14980/RTTY. By continent: 14.97%/AF,

20.36%/AS, 34.73%/EU, 14.37%/NA, 5.99%/OC and 9.58%/SA. For more details and updates watch: http://www.dxfriends.com/SouthernSudan2011
QSL via EA5RM direct. Their OQRS will be activated after the DXpedition. Online log is available on the Web page at:
http://www.dxfriends.com/SouthernSudan2011/log.php
ADDED NOTE: To see which actual operator you worked, hover your cursor over the green check mark and their picture and callsign comes up. Cool!

T32, CHRISTMAS ISLAND (Update). Don Field, G3XTT, FSDXA Publicity Officer, has sent out a press release (Bulletin #3) from the Five Star DXers Association (FSDXA) with updates on their T32C DXpedition to Kiritimati (Christmas Island) that will take place between September 27th and October 25th. Excerpts from the bulletin state that their container of equipment has reached Fiji and is due to ship soon to T32, to await the T32C team's arrival. The team is now pretty much complete with no less than 41 operators, some of whom will be there for the whole period, others will be there for the first or second half. At any one time there will be around 30 operators on the island permitting them to operate round the clock on all bands with propagation and other factors permitting, two stations active on each of 80-10 meter bands. The team consists of Neville/G3NUG (Team Leader), Chris/G3SVL (Co-Leader), John/G3WGV (Co-Leader), Michael/DG1CMZ, Franz/DK1II, Falk/DK7YY, Paul/EI5DI, Dave/EI9FBB, Gerard/F2JD, Ian/F5VKT/G3YBY, Michel/FM5CD, Vincent/G0LMX, Tony/G0OPB, Nobby/G0VJG, Richard/G3RWL, Fred/G3SVK, Laurie/G3UML, David/G3UNA, Gordon/G3USR, Dave/G3WGN, Mike/G3WPH, Don/G3XTT, Mark/G4AXX, John/G4DRS, Nick/G4FAL, Mike/G4IUF, Tony/G4LDL, Justin/G4TSH, Michael/G7VJR, Clive/GM3POI, Bob/GU4YOX, Kazu/JA1RJU, Dave/K4SV, Paul/KG4UVU, Bob/MD0CCE, Arnie/N6HC, Bob/N6OX, Frank/ON7RU, Ronald/PA3EWP, Maury/W3EF and Paul/WF5T. Internet access to and from Christmas Island is limited. However, logs will be uploaded to ClubLog (www.clublog.org) on a daily basis and any news posted with be on the T32C website. The T32C DVD can be pre-ordered at the on-line shop on the T32C website. Full details are given there. In addition to the T32C story, the DVD will include the video made during the FSDXA DXpedition to St. Brandon Island (3B7C) in September 2007. For more details/updates and the complete update bulletin #3, visit their Web page at: http://www.t32c.com

TY, BENIN (Update). The TY1KS team is now active from Grand Popo until August 14th. Activity will be on all HF bands and 6 meters, using three Elecraft K3s, and two Elecraft KPA500 new solid state amplifier. Due to the high demand for this country, the focus will be on the lower bands and the Digital modes, but also SSB and the higher band will be well worked especially during the TEP openings. QSL via IZ8IYX or by the OQRS (for direct/Bureau) and LoTW. Their Web site is at:
http://www.dxcoffee.com/ty1ks
The group is looking for sponsors for this DXpedition. Details for funding this operation are available on their Web page.

VP2V, U.S. VIGRIN ISLANDS. Art, N3DXX, will be active as VP2V/N3DXX from Virgin Gorda (Tortola) between November 23-30th. Activity will be focused on 160 meters and the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/

All-Band entry. QSL via AA7V.

WRTC2014 PROMOTIONAL VIDEO AVAILABLE. The WRTC2014, Inc., host of the 2014 World Radiosport Team Championship competition is pleased to announce the release of a promotional video about the upcoming event. Using footage from previous WRTC competitions, the video conveys the energy, excitement, and sporting goodwill that results when amateur radio contesters from around the world come together to compete on a level playing field. The WRTC2014 video is available for viewing from the home page of the WRTC Web site at: http://www.wrtc2014.org
Video is professionally produced by well-known DXpeditioner and videographer, James Brooks, 9V1YC, with narration provided by Erik Thompson, KA6UAI.

YB, INDONESIA. Operators John/9M6XRO and Steve/9M6DXX, will be active as YB9/GM3OOK and YB9/G4JVG from Bali (OC-022) between September 12-15th. This is a stopover on their way to Timor-Leste for the 4W6A DXpedition. Activity will be holiday style on all bands, 80-6 meters using CW and RTTY (John - YB9/GM3OOK) and SSB (Steve - YB9/G4JVG). Operations will be 100 watts into beam antennas. QSL both callsign via M0URX, direct, by the Bureau, LoTW and OQRS (see <www.m0urx.com/qsl-request-form>).

ZF, CAYMAN ISLANDS. Operators John/K6AM, Bob/K5WA and Stephen/AC6T will be signing ZF1A from Grand Cayman Island (NA-016, WLOTA LH-1042) during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via K6AM, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW.

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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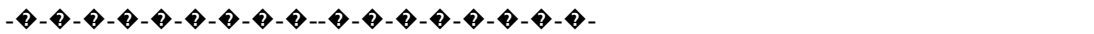
-  -

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733. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 7th August 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-07 20:00:09 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20110807200004.B06B533C8C@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4423
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 7th August 2011

Islands On The Air

The annual Islands On The Air (IOTA) contest took place last weekend. This contest is always well supported in Ireland and this year was no exception.

A number of groups activated offshore islands for the contest. The "Polish Team" (Adam EI5JQ, Jurek SQ7JT, Bronek EI4JZ and Ark EI9KC) were on Great Blasket Island with the call sign EJ0PL; the Blasket Islands have a unique IOTA reference, ensuring they were in great demand during the contest. Members of the Shannon Basin Radio Club were back on Inisbofin, while an EI / GI group were on Rathlin Island - this group included Rathlin veterans Declan EI9HQ, Pete GI4VIV and Peter EI4GZB.

>From the mainland we heard the Dalkey Island Contest Group (EI1DD) operating from Tipperary. Nearby, also in Tipperary, Olivier EI8GQB operated on his own for the full 24 hours; Olivier tried out a number of new antennas for this contest, including a very unusual 10 element 20m wire beam. Other mainland stations heard during the contest included Thos EI2JD, Oleg EI7KD, Colin GI0RQK, Tony EI7JN, Joe EI7GY as well as MI0M -the Northern Ireland DXers Group.

Reports on propagation for this year's contest suggest a mixed picture. 10 metres was once again disappointing, with the Sporadic-E propagation for this band living up to its name; nevertheless there were some 10 metre openings both on Saturday and Sunday, providing worthwhile multipliers. The lower bands were perhaps better than usual, with low atmospheric noise; most participants have reported good runs on 40 metres and, to a lesser extent, on 80 metres.

The results of this contest will be announced before the year end.

The Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club

The Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club has been invited by Coleraine Council to attend the NI International Airshow in Portrush, from the 3rd September till the 4th September 2011. The club and its members will be

promoting amateur radio, to members of the public attending the show, with information leaflets and radio equipment on display.

The Mid Ulster Amatuer Radio Club will be holding a foundation course and exam over the weekend of Friday 9th Sept to Saturday 10th Sept 2011. Any interested persons can complete an application form at www.muarc.com/courseapplicationform.htm or contact the exam secretary Martin MI0YMF on 02838852712. Please note all forms must be completed and returned to the exam secretary before the 9th August 2011.

Mayo Radio Experimenters Network

The annual Mayo Radio Experimenters Network club radio rally will take place on Sunday 20th November 2011. Doors open at 11.00 am.

The venue will be the Welcome Inn Hotel in Castlebar.

If you would like further details please contact: Rally Organiser - Padraic Baynes EI9JA on 087 - 695 7154 (email pbaynes1 at eircom /dot /net), or email club PRO. David Hatfield EI3ECB on ei3ecb at gmail /dot /com or text or phone the club mobile phone number 086 20 89 777.

Dundalk Amateur Radio Society EI7DAR

Dundalk Amateur radio Society continues to be as busy as ever. Anthony EI2KC was applauded in his absence for reading the IRTS News the previous Monday night for his first time. DXCC: Tom EI9CJ got well deserved praise from his club members for his recent inclusion in the DXCC listings. Tom has submitted cards to the ARRL for his Mixed, Phone and 10m awards. DXing: Thos, EI2JD, gave a brief talk on the ST0R DXpedition and urged all to try work them on one band (at least). D.A.R are looking forward to hosting the IRTS AGM 2012 at the Fairways Hotel, Dundalk and plans are well on the way to ensure a great success as in previous years. Last but certainly not least. Congratulations were given to those who studied, sat and passed the Radio Exam recently. A big round of applause for Des Sharp KB3LKM and Sean McKeown, two members of the club who were successful and passed the exam.

Amateur Radio satellite ARISSat-1 deployed

The Amateur Radio satellite ARISSat-1 has been deployed from the ISS during EVA-29 on Wednesday, August 3. First signals have been received by JR8LWY reporting copy of the telemetry beacon as the satellite passed over Japan. Full operational capability of ARISSat-1/KEDR is still under evaluation pending performance evaluation of the UHF antenna. This amateur satellite is one of the most dynamic amateur satellites ever deployed in space and provides us with unique opportunities to conduct amateur radio experiments. Please submit your reception signal reports on amsat-bb and via the mission's e-mail boxes

on http://www.amsat.org.

Thailand enters the ILLW

Welcome our newest country, Thailand to the International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend, which is on August the 20 and 21. Simon Luttrell HS0ZIB will be operating from the Golden Jubilee Lighthouse, at Phromthep Cape, Phuket. With just days to go, the big entry improvements are from Australia, Chile, Portugal and the USA. They have already exceeded previous records and a few more countries are about equal with last year's total. The 48-hour event is not a contest but is plenty of fun.

DX News

Carsten DF1XC is nearing the end of his stay on the Caribbean island of Barbados. He can still be heard until 15 August using the call 8P9XC. QSLs go via the home call.

A team from Spain and Italy are active from now until 15 August from Benin in West Africa. signing TY1KS. They are to be found on all bands including 6m. QSL info is via IZ8IYX and further details can be found on www.dxcoffee.com

OJ0UR will be QRV from Market Reef from 13-20 August. Operators are ON5UR, ON8AK, PA5R and PD9DX. This one counts as EU-053 for the Islands on the Air Award as well as being a separate DXCC entity. QSL Manager is M0URX.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

734. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2011-023E - Deputy Director Appointed at St. John's AGM.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-09 03:43:06 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4E40AC75.2090303@rac.ca>
Source record: 4424
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2011-023E - Deputy Director Appointed at St. John's AGM.
2011-08-07

The 2011 AGM was hosted by the Society of Newfoundland Radio Amateurs [SONRA].

Atlantic Director Everett Price, VO1DK, took advantage of the recent AGM in St. John's Newfoundland to announce the appointment of Len Morgan, VE9MY, to the newly created position of Deputy Director for the Atlantic Region.

Len is well known to the Region having served as Atlantic Director for two terms ending in December 2010. This appointment will allow for greater representation for Atlantic members. Everett, VO1DK is a resident of Newfoundland and Labrador while Len 's home is in New Brunswick.

The position of Deputy Director was approved by the membership at the Halifax AGM in 2010 and subsequently approved by the federal government in February 2011. The Deputy Director position provides for continuity of organization and greater access by members. The Deputy differs form the position of Assistant Director in that the incumbent fullfills the duties of Director when the Director is not available and serves as an observer at Board meetings.

Geoff Bawden, VE4BAW
President and Chair Radio Amateurs of Canada

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For more information or to change your subscription please visit:
http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

735. Re: [ADMIN] Seeking Test Submissions to rec.radio.amateur.moderated

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-09 14:40:47 UTC
From: "Paul W. Schleck" <pschleck@oasis.novia.net>
Message-ID: <d855578c-da01-4c9b-8416-92abf054d422@z17g2000vbp.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4425
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc

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Also via Google Groups in Mountain View, California.

Google Groups hasn't updated this newsgroup since July 29th, so I am
posting this as a new article instead of a followup.

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73, Paul W. Schleck, K3FU
pschleck@novia.net
http://www.novia.net/~pschleck/
Finger pschleck@novia.net for PGP Public Key

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736. Re: [ADMIN] Seeking Test Submissions to rec.radio.amateur.moderated

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-09 15:11:52 UTC
From: John from Detroit <wa8yxm@arrl.invalid>
Message-ID: <j1rinh$s4h$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 4426
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc

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> Also via Google Groups in Mountain View, California.
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In another news group (the support for my news service group) it was
mentioned that Google Groups is broken,

Well, More broken than usual
So it's a Google problem,, Not uncommon at all

Google's search engine was down a while ago (right when I seriously
needed it) and it appears they are still "Working on things that got broke"
So the problem is
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737. [DXNL] DXNL 1740 (Aug 10, 2011)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-09 19:43:36 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <951045318171.20110809213944@dxhf.darc.de>
Source record: 4427
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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(e-mail: dxnl@dxhf.darc.de)

translation by: Bob, DL7VOA
(e-mail: dl7voa@darc.de)

9H, MALTA, EU-023
Walter,ON7PX, is working as 9H3PW with QRP power on 40m-6m till Aug 12.
QSL via homecall.

9M2, WESTERN MALAYSIA
Alex,9M2/SQ9UM, is active in CW, RTTY and some SSB on 40m-6m between
Aug 6 and Sep 4. QSL via homecall.

9N, NEPAL
Fernando,WP4FE, is working as a pediatrician and hits the airwaves as
9N1FE usually on 20m with a Kenwood TS120S and dipole.
QSLs direct to: Fernando A Cardona, PO Box 88, Kathmandu, Nepal

CO9, CUBA,NA-015
Some members of the Baracoa Radio Club (CO8RCJ) supported by the
Guantanamo HQ "Federacion de Radioaficionados de Cuba" will be active
as CO9OBB from Aug 12 (1800 UTC) until Aug 14 (1800 UTC) to celebrate
the 500th anniversary of the first Cuban village founded in 1511.
The operators CO8CY, CO8AW, CM8RRM, CO8ZQ, CM8WAL, CO8RS and CO8MT will
be QRV in CW, SSB and RTTY on 80m/40m/20m/15m. QSL via bureau.

CP, BOLIVIA
Rene,CP6/DF9GR, is QRV in CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK on 80m-10m till Aug 20.
QSL via homecall.

DU, PHILIPPINES, OC-130
Maarten,DU9/PA3GZU, will be QRV in SSB and PSK31 on 40m/20m/15m/10m in
"holiday style" from Mindanao Island (OC-130) from Aug 12 until Sep 4.
QSL via homecall.

FP, ST PIERRE ET MIQUELON, NA-032
Mike,FP/VE2XB, will activate Saint Pierre et Miquelon (NA-032) on HF
and especially on 6m from Aug 14-21. QSL via VE2XB.

GU, GUERNSEY, EU-114
Bob,M0MCV, wants to work holiday style as MU0MCV from Guernsey (EU-114) from Aug 9-16. QSL via homecall.

HK0/M, MALPELO ISLAND, SA-007
The team for the DXpedition to Malpelo (end of January/beginning of February 2012) is complete with 16 experienced OMs from eight countries including three members of the CQ DX Hall of Fame.
The team will leave Buenaventura/Colombia on Jan 22 for the 235 miles to Malpelo Island (SA-007). Depending on the conditions they plan to hit the airwaves within 36 hours after landing for about 10-12 days.
Operations are planned in CW, SSB and digital modes on 160m-6m.
Elecraft supports them with seven K3 radios and five KPA 500 amplifiers while RF Concepts (Alpha) loans three Alpha 8410 amps for the lowbands and DX Engineering supplies most of the antennas.
QSLs are handled by N2OO and the SJDXA (who managed also 3Y0X and K5D).
Donations can be sent direct to DXARC (Colombia), DJ9ZB (Europe), K4UEE (North America) or JA1ELY (Asia/JA).
More information is available on their website: http://www.hk0na.com

OJ0, MARKET REEF, EU-053
Dervin,PD9DX, Marc,ON8AK, and Max,ON5UR, will be active as OJ0UR from Market Reef (EU-053, ARLHS MAR-001, TWLHD WLH OJ0-001, WLOTA LH-0542) from Aug 13-20. They will use a Stepp-IR Big Vertical and a Stepp-IR 2-ele-yagi on HF.
QSLs via bureau or direct to M0URX (SAE plus 1 IRC/2 USDs) or via LoTW.
OQRS is possible on: http://www.m0urx.com/qsl-request-form
More information can be found on: http://www.united-radio.be

PJ7, SINT MAARTEN, NA-105
Travis,PJ7/AF6WU, and Kjerstin,PJ7/KJ0DVA, will be active in SSB mainly on 15m, 17m and 20m from Sint Maarten (NA-105) from Aug 11-15.
QSLs via AF6WU (direct preferred) and LoTW.

ST0, SOUTH SUDAN
Paul,N6PSE, writes from South Sudan: "Today, the Undersecretary of the Ministry of Communications and his staff visited the ST0R team and observed our operations. The Undersecretary has been very supportive of our plans to conduct this DXpedition to the new country of the Republic of South Sudan.
Following the visit to the radio shack, we enjoyed a cordial lunch and exchanged documents to commemorate the first DXpedition to the Republic of South Sudan.
The ST0R team is also assisting the Ministry of Communications with the ITU application for their own prefix. We are also providing them guidence to establish their own Amateur Radio activities."
They will go QRT on Aug 10 around 0700-0800. ST0R is good for DXCC.

T32C, EASTERN KIRIBATI, OC-024
The team is almost complete and includes 41 OPs already. Some of them will be on Kiritimati (Christmas Island, OC-024) during the whole time from Sep 28 until Oct 26, while others will be there only during the first or second half. They will be active with about 30 OPs on 80m-10m

all around the clock. The team includes Neville,G3NUG (team leader),
Chris,G3SVL (co-leader), John,G3WGV (co-leader), Michael,DG1CMZ,
Franz,DK1II, Falk,DK7YY, Paul,EI5DI, Dave,EI9FBB, Gerard,F2JD,
Ian,F5VKT/G3YBY, Michel,FM5CD, Vincent,G0LMX, Tony,G0OPB, Nobby,G0VJG,
Richard,G3RWL, Fred,G3SVK, Laurie,G3UML, David,G3UNA, Gordon,G3USR,
Dave,G3WGN, Mike,G3WPH, Don,G3XTT, Mark,G4AXX, John,G4DRS, Nick,G4FAL,
Mike,G4IUF, Tony,G4LDL, Justin,G4TSH, Michael,G7VJR, Clive,GM3POI,
Bob,GU4YOX, Kazu,JA1RJU, Dave,K4SV, Paul,KG4UVU, Bob,MD0CCE, Bob,N6OX,
Arnie,N6HC, Frank,ON7RU, Ronald,PA3EWP, Maury,W3EF, and Paul,WF5T.
See also: http://www.t32c.com

TY, BENIN
The "DXCoffee" team of C31CT, IW3SQY, IT9YVO, IZ8GCE, IZ4AKS and SP3DOI
is signing TY1KS with two stations in CW, SSB and RTTY on all HF bands
including 6m from Aug 6-15. QSL via IZ7KHR.
See also: http://www.dxcoffee.com/ty1ks

VP8/A, ANTARCTICA, AN-016
Gerard,ZS6KX, is QRV as ZS6KX/7 from the SANAE IV Base. He has been
spotted in SSB on 20m from 1400-1700 UTC. QSL via ZS6KX.

W, USA
Butch,N8CHS/4, is working from Santa Rosa (NA-142) until Aug 12.
QSL via homecall, unfortunately only direct.

The Old Barney ARC (http://www.obarc.org) will activate the special
event station W2T from the Tucker Island lighthouse (USA-911) with
two stations in SSB mainly on 40m, 20m and 17m on Aug 13/14, from
1300-2100 UTC. QSL via N2OO.

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de
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The logs of the 2010 CQWW SSB Contest were published on:
http://www.cqww.com/cq-ww-ssb-2010.htm

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Aug 13-14: WAE DX Contest, CW

IOTA collected by Ric,DL2VFR (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AS-055, R0B, Vize Island: OM Oleg,ZS1ANF (also R1ANF, UA1PBA), is active as
UA1PBA/mm on the way to Franz Josef Land (IOTA EU-019). An activity
from there may be possible. Much more interesting is the possibility
that he may show up also from Vize Island (AS-055) afterwards.
QSL via UA1PBA/ZS1ANF.

EU-012, GM, Shetland and Fair Isle: GS4WAB wants to activate some rare
WAB squares (HZ16, HZ17, HZ26 and HZ27) on Fair Isle from Aug 16-22.
QSL via bureau or direct to G4IAR.
His website is: http://www.worked-all-britain.co.uk

EU-020, SM1, Gotland County (Gotland Island) group: SM1/DK3PZ announced to
become active from Gotland from Aug 13-20. QSL via DK3PZ.

EU-026, JW, Svalbard: Didi,JW/OE9SDV, is working from Longyearbyen until
Aug 26. Listen for him on the usual IOTA frequencies.
QSLs via bureau to his homecall.

EU-038, PA, Noord Holland/Friesland/Groningen Province group: PA/IZ4AMS will
stay on Texel Island from Aug 14-17. QSL via IZ4AMS.

EU-064, F, Pays de la Loire Region group: The first IOTA DXpedition of F4FVI
and HB9ELV leads them to Noirmoutier where they will sign TM0NOI from
Aug 12-14. Bureau QSLs via F4FVI, Direct QSLs via HB9ELV.
Their website is: http://www.qrz.com/db/TM0NOI

EU-081, F, Basse-Normandie (Manche East) Region group: F4RTE, F5IL, F5JY,
F5NKX, F5RJM, F6BFH, F8PDR and ON4LO plan to show up as TM5SM from
Saint Marcouf working in CW, SSB and RTTY on all bands on Aug 11-15.
QSL via F5RJM.

EU-127, DL, Schleswig-Holstein South West group: DL/IZ4AMS is going to visit
the German island Helgoland from Aug 11-13. QSL via homecall.

EU-129, DL, Usedom Island: DK2AI/p (DLFF-075) will show up on the bands in
CW/SSB on Aug 12/13.

EU-136, 9A, Kvarner group: 9A/DG9MA, 9A/DO1DMI and 9A/DG1TK will be QRV
from Krk Island on Aug 11-13.
QSLs for 9A/DO1DMI and 9A/DG9MA via homecall (bureau/direct),
QSLs for 9A/DG1TK only direct.

EU-181, LZ, Bulgaria group: LZ/HA0HW, LZHA4DX and LZ1PJ/p will be QRV in CW
and SSB on 40m-17m during the second half of his Bulgaria trip from the
island Sveta Anastasia or Sveta Ivan until Aug 21. QSLs via homecalls.

NA-045, XF3, Quintana Roo State North group: OM Keith who is momentarily
active as XF1/K5ENS from Isla de Mujeres QRV states that he is using
the callsign which is written on his licence.
XF3/IZ2LSC is active from there as well (see last DXNL).

SA-045, PQ8, Amapa State group: PY2XB and PT2OP have a landing permission
for Balique in the Natural Reserve of Parazinho. They plan to become
active as PQ8XB and PQ8OP from Aug 17-24.
PQ8XB via PT7WA (bureau/direct) and PQ8OP via PT2OP (bureau/direct).

Bandspots of the last 7 days

30m
LZ0I 10.118 1926Z via LZ1BJ (B)

20m
EI0PL 14.240 1601Z via EI5JQ (B)
EN85W 14.014 1706Z via UR5WA
F5UKL/p 14.044 1100Z FFF-267
GB50RSARS 14.040 1450Z (B)
J48JJ 14.022 1538Z via HA7JJS (B)I
JW/OE9SDV 14.260 2102Z EU-026, via homecall (B)
MW1EYP/p 14.033 1558Z GWFF-003
OH3OJ/p 14.045 0844Z OHFF-040
OZ/AL3T 14.024 1600Z via DL7ET (B)
PA2JJB 14.038 1530Z EU-038
SJ22S 14.040 1647Z via SM bureau
TF4M 14.011 1445Z (B), (L)
TM2BI 14.023 1046Z via F6KPQ
UE90K 14.046 1500Z via UA9XL

15m
TM2BI 21.015 1457Z via F6KPQ
UR8GX/p 21.012 1556Z EU-179

10m
ST0R 28.495 1439Z via EA5RM (B), OQRS

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Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

-Dec 3Y8XSA 1700/1717
-25Oct 5B50J 1700
-Apr/12 5Z4RH ? 1674
-30Nov 8J1MORSE.. 1731
23Jul-14Aug 8P9XC 1737
-31Dec 9A11P 1723
11Aug-13Aug 9A/DG9MA.. 1740 *
-12Aug 9H3PW 1740 *
-Sep 9J2KK 1682
NOW 9M2/KM9D 1731
-04Sep 9M2/SQ9UM 1740 *
long term 9N1FE 1740 *
SOON 9Q1EK 1669
-Nov 9Q6CC 1699

-Aug A92IO 1663
-31Dec BP100 1684
-31Dec BV100 1684
12Aug-14Aug CO9OBB 1740 *
-20Aug CP6/DF9GR 1740 *
07Aug-21Aug CT9/IZ2DPX 1739

-31Dec CW5RV 1711
-16Aug DG6PY/p 1739
12Aug/13Aug DK2AI/p 1740 *
28Jul-10Aug DK3CH 1738
-31Aug DL20Y2DM 1700
30Jul-13Aug DL0WFF 1738
11Aug-13Aug DL/IZ4AMS 1740 *
-Aug DL/ON4ACA 1739
12Aug-04Sep DU9/PA3GZU 1740 *
05Aug EA5URV/p 1739
08Aug-21Aug EA6/EA3PT 1739
-Aug FO8RZ 1636
14Aug-21Aug FP/VE3XB 1740 *
-Jul/12 FR8NE 1710

-18Aug GM3VLB (IOTA) 1739
16Aug-22Aug GS4WAB 1740 *
-31Dec HB60LU 1711
-31Dec HG15IPA 1724
01Jan-31Dec HG200LST 1708
01Jan-31Dec IA7MM 1708
01Jan-31Dec II1ITA.. 1708
01Mar-30Sep IO4UI 1717
-2012 J28FJ 1739
-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul/12 J28RO 1683
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
-Oct JG8NQJ/JD1 (M) 1739
-26Aug JW/OE9SDV 1740 *
16Jun-05Sep K1VSJ 1732
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
-May/12 KH4/W5FJG 1728
POSTPONED KH5 1674/1705

-31Dec LA200D 1713
-31Dec LZ85R 1721
06Aug-21Aug LZ/HA4YX/p.. 1739/1740 *
09Aug-16Aug MU0MCV 1740 *
07Aug-12Aug N8CHS/4 1739/1740 *
28Jul-04Sep OH1K 1738
Aug OL100VP 1721
06Aug-19Aug OZ0FR/p 1739
-Sep P29CW 1713
01Jan-31Dec PA30.. 1708
14Aug-17Aug PA/IZ4AMS 1740 *
09Aug-12Aug PE1OPM/P 1740 *
11Aug-15Aug PJ7/AF6WU 1740 *
11Aug-15Aug PJ7/KJ0DVA 1740 *
17Aug-24Aug PQ8XB 1740 *

28Jul-10Aug RA1QQ/p 1739
-Dec RI1ANC 1708
SOON RI1F/UA1PBA 1740 *
13Aug-20Aug SM1/DK3PZ 1740 *
22Jul-10Aug ST0R # 1737/1740 *
28Sep-26Oct T32C 1740 *
-Jun/12 T6MO 1733
-Nov T6SH 1734
11Aug-15Aug TM5SM 1740 *
12Aug-14Aug TM0NOI 1740 *
15Aug TY1KS 1740 *
Aug UE90K 1739

05Aug-10Aug V31UB 1739
-Mar/12 VK0KEV (Macq) 1700/1701
13Aug-14Aug W2T 1740 *
May -Aug W3CVD/4 1726
18Jul-25Aug W4/DF2MM 1736
30Jul-14Aug WA8LOW/KH8 1738
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
-14Nov XF1/K5ENS 1739
09Aug-15Aug XF3/IZ2LSC 1739
NOW XT2RJA 1712
08Aug-11Aug ZB2/VA3ITA 1738
-Sep ZC4MIS 1732
-Sep ZD9GI 1691
-31Dec ZL50GH 1711
-2012? ZS6KX/7 1740 *

= Call can change after the allocation of a new prefix
* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

BV0PC via BV2DQ
DM6V via DL5AXX (B)
EJ0PL via EI5JQ (B)
JD1BLY via JI5RPT (B)
JT1LU via JA7LU (B)
PJ2T via W3HNK (*), (L)
SN630LW via SQ3OGV (B)
SV8/HA6NL via HA6NL (B)
SV8/HA7JJS via HA7JJS (B)
SX8R via HA0NAR (B)
TK/I5KOV via I5KOV (B)
TK11QRP via F8BBL (B)
TM2BI via F6KPQ (B)
TM7T via ON7EQ (B)
TM95SOM via F5KOU (B)
UP80NR via UN7LAN (B)
UT/RU2FP/p via RU2FP (B)

VX1D via VE2DHD
ZD8Z via AI4U (B)
5H4BL via IV3RTL (B)
7P8DEF via ZS4DEF
7P8FM via ZS4FM (d)

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QSLs arrived direct: 9V1YC (W5UE), CX1AA (W3HNK)

QSLs arrived bureau: A71A, A71DLH (via DL0LH), BA7IO, BP100S, B7P,
C56ETF (GW0ETF), D2CQ (CT1IUA), EK8SK (SP9ERV),
EK8WA (SP9ERV), FM5CD (F5VU), FT5GA (F5OGL),
HK0GU/1 (DL7VOG), HL105KRC, J20SA (ON7SAT, = OP),
J28KO (F6DKI), OD5F (IZ8CLM), OY4TN (M0URX),
PJ5/SP9EQZ (SP9EQZ), R1ANB (RN1ON), R1FJL (RK1FWA),
ST2R (S57DX), T88ZM (M0URX), TO3GA (DL3GA),
TO3R (RW3RN), TY1MS (PA3AWW), V47NZ (N0BSH),
V85/9M8Z (M0URX), VK9NW (K9NW), VP2V/K9NW,
XV3RRC (RZ3EC), XV4SP (DL7DF), 9l5A (G3SXW),
9M2TO (without request), 9N7AN (DL4SVA, = OP)

QSLs arrived LoTW: J20VB, J79FCG, LA/DJ8QP, LU7HZ, LW7DUC, MJ/EA1SA,
MU/EA1SA, OA4WW, OC4WW, OH0XX, OK/PA3FYG/p, OX/DL1RTL,
P43E

IRC SALE

The QSL manager of the S9DX DXpedition still has some IRCs in stock.
DL1RTL sells them for 1.20 Euro/piece or 12 Euro/10 pieces incl. postage.
If needed pleese contact Heiko,DL1RTL (hkmann@hkmann.de).

Many thanks for contributing to this issue of the DXNL are going to:
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738. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 01 - 07 August 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-10 01:30:08 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20110810013002.7A35B33C8B@panix2.panix.com>
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Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.info

:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2011 Aug 09 2323 UTC
Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
#
Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
01 - 07 August 2011

Solar activity ranged from very low to high levels during the period. The period began with low activity on 31 July - 01 August, with C-class flares predominantly from Regions 1261 (N15, L=332, class/area Dai/380 on 04 August) and Region 1263 (N17, L=301, class/area Ekc/720 on 04 August). Activity increased to moderate levels on 02 August due to a long-duration M1/1n at 02/0619Z from Region 1261, with associated Type IV, Type II (estimated speed of 1067 km/s), and Tenflare (220 sfu) radio emissions. LASCO C3 imagery indicated a full halo coronal mass ejection with this flare. Activity increased to high levels on 03 August with three M-class flares. The largest of these was an M6/2b at 03/1348Z from Region 1261, with associated Type IV, Type II (estimated speed of 812 km/s). A CME was subsequently observed in STEREO-A Cor2 imagery at 03/1409Z. Solar activity remained at high levels on 04 August due to an M9/2b from Region 1261 at 04/0357Z, with associated Type IV, Type II (estimated speed of 750 km/s), and Tenflare (720 sfu). A CME was also associated with the M9 flare with an approximate speed of 2100 km/s in STEREO-A COR-2 imagery. Activity decreased to low levels on 05 - 07 August, with C-class flares predominantly from Regions 1261, 1263, and 1267 (S17, L=243, class/area Bxo/010 on 05 August). A long duration C1 flare was observed at 06/1807Z. Two CMEs were observed by SOHO/LASCO C2 at 06/1036Z and 06/1736Z, but the majority of the ejecta was directed to the west and not geoeffective. Late on 06 August, a recurrent positive polarity CH moved into a potentially geoeffective position.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit during 31 July - 03 August. The 100 MeV proton flux at geosynchronous orbit exceeded 1 pfu beginning at 04/0510Z, reaching maximum at 04/0740Z, and ending at 04/1110Z. The maximum 100 MeV proton flux was 1.8 pfu. The 10 MeV proton flux at geosynchronous orbit exceeded 10 MeV beginning at 04/0635Z, reaching maximum of 96 pfu at 05/2150Z, and ending at 06/0515Z. The 10 MeV proton flux remained enhanced, but

below threshold and trailing towards quiet background on 07 August.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at normal levels on 31 July. Fluxes increased from normal to moderate levels during 01 - 02 August. Flux values returned to moderate levels on 03 and 04 August. Normal to moderate levels were observed on 05 - 07 August.

Geomagnetic activity was quiet to unsettled, with isolated active levels on 31 July due to a coronal hole high-speed stream (CH HSS). Quiet to unsettled levels were observed on 01 August as the CH HSS subsided. Activity remained quiet on 02 - 03 August. Predominantly quiet levels were observed on 04 August, before the first of three CME shocks was observed transiting ACE at 04/2105Z, followed by a 20 nT sudden impulse observed by Earth based magnetometers at 04/2155Z. A magnetopause crossing was also observed by the GOES 13 and 15 satellites. Quiet to unsettled levels were observed between 04/2100 - 05/1800Z. Two additional shock passages were seen by ACE at 05/1722Z and 05/1834Z, accompanied by a noticeable increase in solar wind density, velocity and magnetic field, which included Bz fluctuation to -20 nT. Activity increased to minor to severe storms during 05/2100 - 06/0600Z due to effects from the CME shock arrivals. Early on 06 August, activity steadily declined from active to quiet levels, before the polarity transitioned to a mostly positive Phi angle and recurrent CH HSS effects began. This triggered an isolated minor storm at high latitudes between 06/1200-1500Z. Otherwise, geomagnetic activity remained mostly quiet for the remainder of 06 August and throughout 07 August.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
10 August - 05 September 2011

Solar activity is likely to be at Moderate (R1 - Minor) during 10 August, with a chance for M-class flares from Region 1263. Activity is expected to decrease to very low to low levels during 11 - 17 August with the absence of mature spot groups on the disk. Activity is expected to increase to very low to low levels, with a chance for M-class flares from 18 August - 03 September from old regions; 1260 (N19, L=001), 1261 (N15, L=332), and 1263 (N17, L=301). Activity is expected to decrease to very low to low levels 04 - 05 September. However, there is a chance that new, rapidly emerging flux regions could increase activity to moderate or greater levels at any time during the outlook period.

The greater than 10 MeV Proton flux levels at geosynchronous orbit are likely to remain above threshold (S1 - Minor) on 10 August, as an event that is currently in progress carries over early into the period. No proton events are expected at geosychronous after 10 August though the end of the period.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at moderate to high levels on 10 and 11 August.

Normal to moderate levels are expected 12 - 15 August. Moderate to high levels are expected again 16 - 31 August. Normal to moderate levels are expected 01 - 03 September.

The geomagnetic field is expected to be at quiet to unsettled levels, with a chance for active levels 10 - 11 August, due to a CH HSS. Activity is expected to decrease to predominantly quiet levels during 12 - 15 August. Activity is expected to increase to quiet to unsettled levels, with a chance for active levels 16 - 18 August and again 21 - 22 August due to two recurrent CH High Speed Streams. Activity is expected to decrease to quiet to unsettled levels on 23 August CH HSS effects subside. Quiet levels are expected 23 - 25 August, before increasing to quiet to unsettled levels, with a chance for active levels at high latitudes 26 - 28 August due to another CH HSS. Mostly quiet conditions are again forecast to return from 29 August until 03 September, before another CH HSS ends out the period (04 - 05 September) with unsettled and active conditions.

739. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2011-024E - RAC Task Force to Seek an Exemption for Ontario Amateurs.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-10 07:42:52 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4E423625.8030208@rac.ca>
Source record: 4429
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2011-024E - RAC Task Force to Seek an Exemption for Ontario Amateurs.
2011-08-09

At its Annual General Meeting in St. John's, Newfoundland, Radio Amateurs of Canada announced that a task force has been formed to seek a permanent exemption for Ontario Amateurs from the ban on operating mobile devices in a vehicle under Article 5 in Ontario Regulation 366/09 made under the Highway Traffic Act. It is also commonly known as the Distracted Driving Legislation. The ban would take effect on January 1, 2013.

The task force is composed of Steve Pengelly, VE3STV, Former Honorary Legal Counsel, Ian Snow, VA3QT, Special Advisor to RAC, Jeff Stewart, VA3WXM, Southern Ontario Regional Director, Marcel Mongeon, Honorary Legal Counsel, VA3DDD, Geoff Bawden, VE4BAW, President and Chair RAC, and ex officio to the Task Force. It is chaired by Bill Unger, VE3XT, Ontario North/East Director.

The Task Force has already obtained letters of support from groups that we assist ranging from hospitals, communities, agencies and NGO's. All of the letters indicate that limiting Radio Amateurs. ability to provide communications while mobile would not be in the Ontario's best interests. If you would like to submit a letter of support from an external group to the RAC Task Force, please contact the chair Bill Unger.

The Task Force will present the letters as part of our case to Kathleen Wynne, Ontario.s Minister of Transportation, that Amateur Radio operators in Ontario should be exempt from this regulation. The objective of the Distracted Driving Task Force is to convince the Ontario Government that the regulation, as currently written, will actually decrease public safety in Ontario.

Amateur Radio Operators provide countless hours of public service work in their communities and by doing so we are prepared to assist with communications in the event of an overload or total failure or the existing telecommunications infrastructure. The change in the regulations that RAC will request, would align Ontario with seven other provinces and one territory that have introduced exemptions which allow Amateurs to operate while mobile.

The RAC Task Force will shortly initiate discussions with officials in the Minister's Office on the need for this regulatory change.

Information on the progress will be updated through the RAC Bulletin
system, TCA or the RAC Report. If you are interested in assisting
please contact Bill Unger, VE3XT at ve3xt@rac.ca

Bill Unger, VE3XT
RAC Director - Ontario North/East
Chair: Task Force - Distracted Driving Legislation/Bill 118

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740. Re: [ADMIN] Seeking Test Submissions to rec.radio.amateur.moderated

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-10 12:24:10 UTC
From: techie@w6yx.stanford.edu
Message-ID: <j1tajm$id8$1@usenet.stanford.edu>
Source record: 4430
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc

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Posted from w6yx.stanford.edu via nntp.stanford.edu

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-- Welcome My Son, Welcome To The Machine --
Bob Vaughan | techie@{w6yx|tantivy}.stanford.edu | techie@tantivy.net
AF6RR | P.O. Box 19792, Stanford, Ca 94309 | 1-650-469-3850
-- I am Me, I am only Me, And no one else is Me, What could be simpler? --
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741. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-10 21:03:26 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <9416a511-10bb-4c71-b4c8-ffd957b0bdee@l37g2000yqd.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4431

On Aug 4, 8:17 pm, SAMARA <jaidatta9...@gmail.com>

742. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-10 21:03:58 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <ec6664ed-ee66-41bf-b321-374a9a1ec26f@l7g2000vbz.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4432

On Aug 4, 5:27 am, 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdg...@gm

743. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #1022.1

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-10 21:48:13 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <492414.99985.qm@smtp111.sbc.mail.mud.yahoo.com>
Source record: 4433
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin No. 1022.1

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Special Bulletin No. 1022.1
BID: $OPDX.1022.1
August 10, 2011
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, and N6PSE for the following DX information.

ST0, SOUTH SUDAN UPDATE. Here is the latest information regarding the South Sudan DXpedition from Paul, N6PSE:
"This afternoon, the DX Friends and the Intrepid-DX Group departed Juba and are now resting in Cairo before our long trips home to our respective countries.
We are very excited about how well the ST0R DXpedition went. The DX Friends and the Intrepid-DX Groups worked well together and really enjoyed our three weeks together. We are already talking about our next DXpedition/Adventure!
We are quiet happy that we met our goal of 120,000 QSOs and set a record for RTTY contacts during a new country activation.
We wish to thank all of our donors and supporters. Ordinarily we thank our donors with an individual message, however the Internet in Juba was very unreliable and we were often without any connection to the outside world other than Amateur Radio.
This week, we held another meeting with the Engineering staff of the Ministry of Communications to guide them in their ITU prefix application. We are also providing them with guidance to develop and improve their Amateur Radio program and policies.
Team Co-Leader, Tony-EA5RM is also our QSL Manager, He will also investigate your "busted call" requests, if you email Tony directly.
Here are our final statistics, watch for updates to the ST0R web-page:

121,286 QSO in ST0R Database.
27,994 Unique Callsigns. 176 DXCC. 40 CQ Zones.
First QSO at 22/07/2011 @ 15:36 | Last QSO at 10/08/2011 @ 07:01

CW: 55,458
SSB: 47,696
RTTY: 18,132 (New world Record)

Thank you,
The ST0R Team."

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)

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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW

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Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�bscribe>

Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�subscribe>

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http://www.papays.com/opdx.html

ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:

http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html

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744. Re: Seeking Test Submissions to rec.radio.amateur.moderated

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-11 16:52:03 UTC
From: "Paul W. Schleck" <pschleck@oasis.novia.net>
Message-ID: <80c7e8d8-a526-4785-a941-0ddbb0b192be@l7g2000vbz.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4434
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc

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Google Groups has finally updated as of this morning, August 10th.

Posting as a followup within Google Groups.

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73, Paul W. Schleck, K3FU
pschleck@novia.net
http://www.novia.net/~pschleck/
Finger pschleck@novia.net for PGP Public Key

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745. MMMonVHF Newsletter 2011-08-11

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-11 18:08:39 UTC
From: MMMonVHF News Mailer <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <201108111759.p7BHx4Ad008595@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 4435
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our lastet NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2011-08-11
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter, once a week (thursday)
from now on - if any special activities will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further detail please be so kind and watch our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you vy welcome for any
input and we do hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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** PERSEIDS - METEORSHOWER in August 2011 **

The Perseids: Only the ï¿½normalï¿½ peak, with ZHR around 100 hr-1, is
expected to occur this year. According to IMO, the maximum in 2011
is expected to occur on August 13, between 01h and 13h30m UT, with
peak around 06h UT having ZHR = 100 hr-1. No encounters with other
trails are expected this year. Lastest News on our MMMonVHF MS
Propagationpage: www.MMMonVHF.de/ms.php
SOURCE: Massimo, IV3NDC, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

** PERSEIDS - a word of the NEWSLETTER Editor **

After the forecast for the Shower a word from the editor:
PERSEIDS - in past years one of the biggest events for every VHF
enthusiast. Early in june and july we did get several expedition
news and spread it around - and 2011 ??? There were several medium
Sporadic E openings and we have had visitors of the MMMonVHF page
day by day in the high of 600-800 people... more than 900 people
will read the newsletter week by week, and we have asked for input
a lot of times - BUT - we have just 3-4 inputs or there are nearly
NO Expeditions anymore? Maybe its as well only the trend that a
lot people running EME instead of hunting the meteors nowadays?
So please again our wish: if you ever hear or plan yourself a trip
and/or any activity use:

For active Squares in PERSEIDS >>> http://www.mmmonvhf.de/ms.php
INPUT of VHF-ACTIVITIES >>> www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php
INPUT of UPDATES to NEWS >>> www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuserup.php

Thanks in the name of all USER of MMMonVHF and the team which is
always trying to pass you as soon as possible the latest News...
SOURCE: Guido, DL8EBW, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

** MMMonVHF and DUBUS 144 MHz Meteorscatter-Sprint Contest **

The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF in cooperation with the magazines DUBUS
and Funk-Telegramm (by Joachim, DL8HCZ) invited you to take part in
our 144 MHz Meteorscatter Sprint Contest, which took place for the
first time in the 2008 Perseid shower. The 144 MHz Meteorscatter
Sprint Contest will take place each year on the day of the from IMO
(International Meteor Organization) announced maximum of the Perseid
shower. 2011 contest period: Date: 12./13. August 2011 Time period
for 48 hours: start 12.August 00:00hrs till end 13.August 2011
23:59hrs "UT" (End time of the last complete QSO) !! NEW !!
Reference data for 2011 by the IMO: expected Perseids Maximum 2011:
August 13th. 07:09UT with a expected ZHR of 100. Read all in detail
at the overview and rule page: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/ctest.php
SOURCE: Erwin, DK5EW, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

** MMMonVHF will move to blue ... **

Prepare yourself for a new design of MMMonVHF in the near future.
After more than 4 years its time for an update of the website
layout I will not tell you too much now, but it'll be 'blue-styled'
and be very straight and smooth...
SOURCE: Ansgar, DG2KBC, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

** NEW DIGITAL EME RECORD ON 144 MHz BETWEEN RSA & HAWAII **

Congratulations to Allan ZS1LS and Jeremy W7EME for establishing
a new SARL EME record on 144 MHz. It occurred at 20:20 UTC on
03 August 2011 using the JT65b mode and covered a distance of
18383 km. This contact occurred close to moonset in the RSA and
0,7 degrees of moonrise in Hawaii. Signal reports varied between
-26 dB and -31 dB at Allan's QTH. Jeremy copied Allan at -21
dB on the night before but Allan could not copy him at the time.
SOURCE: Mike, ZS2FM via ZSVHF mailing list

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: Z3 ; Square: KN01 ; Start: 2011-08-01 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3960

Dime, Z35Z, qrv in Perseids from KN01qq - He will be qrv from asl
2700m with ft817 50w and 5 el yagi - VHF-QSL via DL8EBW (see qrz.com)
SOURCE: tnx to Dime, Z35Z direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: EW ; Square: KO32-KO42 ; Start: 2011-08-08 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3878

Alexander, RA3MR, confirmed his pedition to EW in August during
perseids 2011 - LATEST NEWS from RV3IG, dated 2011-08-10:
Alexander has postponed his activities till August 15
Source: RV3IG to MMMonVHF/PA3BIY

** DXCC: OK ; Square: JN99 ; Start: 2011-08-11 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3954

OK2POI QRV MS on 432MHz via Perseides from hill in JN99AJ
Hello All, I will be again QRV MS on 432MHz via Perseides
from hill in JN99AJ (open all area) with QRO 4x23el. and 800W
FSK441. When you have experience with FSK, 100W out and long
yagi we could try sked. I will be qrv MS on 4m too.
All skeds velcome. Pse contact me via email: ok2poi"at"seznam.cz
SOURCE: tnx to Jiri, OK2POI direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: UA ; Square: KO88 ; Start: 2011-08-12 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3970

Andrej, RV3IG, will be qrv during in the PERSEIDS as RV3IG/3
from KO88SA - ALL GOOD MS REFL 73!
SOURCE: tnx to Andrej, RV3IG, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: YO ; Square: KN27 ; Start: 2011-08-12 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3974

Dan, YO5LD, will be qrv from KN27AW during the MS-SPRINT Contest
during Perseids. Dan will be QRV in MS sprint contest from KN27.
GL to anyone looking for me. Please call, I like pile-s.
If I CQ please reply direct with report. I will have internet
connection. After I got RRR-s I'll send 1 period of 73/QRZ and then
change to other call. SOURCE: tnx to Dan, YO5LD, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: PA ; Square: JO32 ; Start: 2011-08-12 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3971

Chris, PA2CHR, qrv from JO32DB in Perseids specially for 432 MHz
This year during Perseids shower I like to try some 70cm. QSO's.
Station: 38el. yagi with good preamp and QRO. For sked's pse send

email to "post"at"pa2chr.nl" Good luck to all; have fun, 73's,
SOURCE: tnx to Chris, PA2CHR, direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** LA9DFA - Perseids from JP60bg **

Will be QRV from JP60bg during Perseids. The activity will be sporadic due to family issues in the weekend. Will go there with another HAM and use his cabin. Will put up antennas for 6m and 4m on friday evening, and try to work some MS QSO's after getting antennas up. Then I will return home and will be back at the cabin on saturday afternoon/evening and start working again. If family situation allow I will try to work a little in the morning as well. Then QRV sunday morning and during the afternoon/evening. No excact times can be given. Will announce on Shout when QRV. It's a short drive from my ordinary QTH (JP50xh) so returns home for dinner etc :) QRG 50.232 and 70.283 +- QRM, using FSK441 and JT6M prima ry. Possibly some CW and SSB.
SOURCE: tnx to Morten LA9DFA, direct to MMMonVHF

** QE29 activation by Rex, VK7MO **

On the weekend of 21 and 22 August I will be joining Eric VK7NFI and Wayne VK7NET for the international lighthouse weekend operating from Table Cape Lighthouse in QE29 North West Tasmania. The top of the lighthouse gives an excellent take-off all across Bass Strait. I will operate on 144, 432, 1296 and 10368 both SSB and digital on XXX.225. I will also try meteor scatter during the normal activity sessions on 144.230. SOURCE: Rex VK7MO via [VK-VHF]

** Running 222 during Perseids... **

Hello to everyone....I would like to work some 222 FSK441 during the Perseids Meteor Shower. I especially would like to work some new states this time. Except for AZ and MN, I need just about everything outside the EM field....NE, N, and the Western states. If anyone would like to run with me on 222, please write me for a sched. My tropo station for 222 is fairly large with stacked antennas at 135ft and QRO. Thanks in advance..... 73
SOURCE: Marshall K5QE via VHF Reflector

** CM79 Activation Aug 12-14 **

This special event will be a club sponsored Mini-DXpedition to the
Lost Coast area of Northern California. Specifically, to activate
Maidenhead grid-square CM79. Its remote: No roads, houses, power,
etc. Scheduled for the weekend of August 13, 2011 -
http://web.me.com/charliesikes/CM79_DxPedition/Overview.html 73
SOURCE: Mark, K3MSB, via VHF Reflector

** 9H, MALTA, EU-023, qrv HF and 50 MHz **

Walter,ON7PX, is working as 9H3PW with QRP power on 40m-6m till
Aug 12. QSL via homecall. SOURCE: [DXNL] DXNL 1740 (Aug 10, 2011)

** IOTA Activity from 9M2 **

Alex, SQ9UM will be active as 9M2/SQ9UM from 6 August to
4 September. He plans to operate CW, RTTY and some SSB on
40-6 metres. QSL via home call.
SOURCE: [TNX SQ9UM] via 425 DX News #1057

** FP, ST. PIERRE & MIQUELON **

Mike, VE2XB, will be active as FP/VE2XB from St. Pierre & Miquelon
Islands (NA-032, DIFO FP-002, WLOTA 1417) between August 14-21st.
Activity will have a special focus on 6 meters, but he will also be
active on all bands from 80-6 meters. QSL via VE2XB (see QRZ.com)
SOURCE: [DX-ENG] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1022

** HI3, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC **

Operators "Yukon John"/KL7JR and XYL Claire/WL7MY will be back to
their Dominican Republic ocean front condo on the north shore of
Hispaniola Island (NA-96) around mid-September through 2013.
The HI3/KL7JR license has been renewed for a year, so expect to
hear them on HF SSB concentrating on 12, 17, 40 and 80 meters and
6 meters! They also plan to continue their antenna experimenting
with MFJ mobile verticals and Wilson FGT-2 CB verticals as mini
yagis from their 3rd floor patio. Rigs include Kenwood TS-570D and
Ten Tec 599. Antennas: Vertical Loop (10-20m), TAK-tenna 80 (40
and 80m) and misc. 6 meter wires. QSL per info on QRZ.com. E-mail
for skeds are welcome <KL7JR"at"Yahoo.com>. They expect to check
in on 40 and 80 meters (OMISS and 3905 CCN) frequently. Check out
John's article on "An Indoor Reduced Size Rectangular Loop" at:
http://www.hamuniverse.com/kl7jrindoorloop4010.html
SOURCE: [DX-ENG] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1022

** IOTA operation from AS-026 **

Operators Ki-Sun/HL4MC, Gyeong/HL4CEL, Wang-hyun/HL4RBR, Kei/HL2UVH Eun-Gwang/DS4EOI, Nao/JA1HGY and Zorro/JH1AJT will be active as D9A from Cheju Island between August 19-26th. This special callsign will be used during the 20th Asian Conference on Intellectual Disabilities from the Ramada Plaza Jeju Hotel. Activity will be on 160-10 meters, 6 and 2 meters, using CW, SSB, RTTY and FM. QSL via DS4EOI. SOURCE: [DX-ENG] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1022

** HK0NA Malpelo Isl. DXpedition 2011/2012 **

The Malpelo 2012 DXpedition is pleased to announce that the HK0NA operating team is now complete with 16 operators. This is an international team of excellent operators, representing 8 different countries, and includes 3 members of the CQ DX Hall of Fame.
The team will depart from Buenaventura, Colombia on January 22, 2012 for the 235 mile trip to Malpelo. Depending on sea and landing conditions, we expect to be QRV within 36 hours after landing for about 10-12 days. The team will return to Buenaventura on Feb. 6, 2012 - Operations are planned on 160 through 6 meters on CW, SSB and Digital modes. We wish to thank Elecraft for the loan of seven K3 transceivers and five of the new KPA 500 amplifiers. RF Concepts (Alpha) has agreed to loan the team three Alpha 8410 amplifiers for use on the low bands and DX Engineering will supply most of the DXpedition antennas. Thanks to N2OO and the SJDXA who have graciously agreed to handle QSL duties. You may recall the expert job they did for 3Y0X and K5D recently. Contributions are being sought from DX Foundations, DX Clubs and individual DXers. Your financial assistance is kindly requested. You may contribute directly to DXARC (Colombia) or to K4UEE (North America), DJ9ZB (Europe), or JA1ELY (Asia/JA). See our website: www.hk0na.com for further details on how you can help. We plan periodic press releases with information of interest. Also, watch the website for breaking news. Thanks
SOURCE: Jorge Prieto, HK1R, DXpedition leader via GOTO List

** DXpedition to Kiritimati (Christmas Island) T32C (BJ12HA) **

LATEST NEWS from Lance, W7GJ, dated 2011-08-05: 6m EME from T32C
The T32C DX Pedition is getting closer. I'm doing starting the preparation for T32 trip. My T32C operation schedule was changed to four weeks stay in Kiribati. It became operation of the full expedition time can do try to EME for best time Europe. I wishes for EME/QSO with a lot of East coast US and Europe station. I plan to use two antennas for the operation of on 6m. an original antenna of the ionosphere propagation is Trident 7EL long yagi. As for M2 6M8GJ (8EL), it is scheduled to use it in the different location only for EME. In EME without the angle, there is a thing tried with 7EL horizontal, use original antenna. 6m EME. Mode: WSJT - JT65A Frequency: 50.198 MHz T32C will transmit the first sequence

Grid Locator: BJ12HA (N = 2.0.48 W = 157.23.44)
SOURCE: Kazu /JA1RJU via MAGIC BAND EME Reflector

** Lighthouse Insua Island qrv (IOTA EU-150, WW Loc. IN51NU) **

Antonio CT1EPV, Hermann HB9CRV and Siggi DL2HYH will be active from the lighthouse on Insua Island (IOTA EU-150, WW Loc. IN51NU) until 7 August 2011 as CS2W. QSL via HB9CRV. Due to the fact, that there is no accommodation on the island, the operators will sail every morning to INSUA island and return every evening to the main land. A stay overnight may only happen in case of good propagation. The CS2W activity is valid for the Portuguese awards DIP MI-001, DCFP F-006, DMP 1602, DDFP CMN-12, DFP FM-101 and CVC 046 & 047 and ARLHS POR-028, WLOTA LH-2869. QRV on 40m-6m CW, SSB.
SOURCE: [Algarve STAR DX Team] via ICPO Bulletin (05-12 August 2011)

** V47JA again operating from Calypso Bay, St. Kitts, FK87 **

V47JA - I will again be operating from our Calypso Bay, St. Kitts, W.I. vacation home, located 300 feet from the Caribbean Sea, at CQ Zone:8, IOTA: NA-104, Grid: FK87pg. Dates: October 10, 2011 until November 5, 2011. Active 6-80M SSB (incl. 60m). Also CQWW (SSB) Contest (Oct. 29/30), SOAB. Radios: Kenwood TS-590S, Yaesu FT-857D, and SB200Amplifier. Antennas: 10-80m Multiband Dipole, and metal roof mounted S9, 18' and 31' Verticals; 6m - 3el Yagi. XYL Cathy (W5HAM), will occasionally operate as V47HAM. ALL QSL's to my home call: W5JON 73 and DX, John - SOURCE: V47JA via NG3K DX-News

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** Announcment of HG50MHZ Special Event Station **

At midnight on August 14 2011 the Budapest television broadcasting transmitter will cease operation on VHF channel one. The termination of Broadcasting Band I transmissions after 54 years of television broadcasting will be followed by four days of ham radio activity organized by Haros Radio Club, using the antenna system of the former TV transmitter. This activity at the special event station HG50MHZ is a memorial event celebrating more than half a centuryï¿½s operation and at the same time publicizes the closure of a broadcasting transmitter which is well known to the six metre amateur radio community. The webpage of HG50MHZ http://www.hg50mhz.tv summarizes the 54 year history of Budapest channel one television broadcasting, the 6 years of HA activities on the six metre (50MHz) band and additionally provides details of the special event station. Channel one television broadcasts from Budapest are well known by radio amateurs all over the world and have in the past been widely used as a propagation indicator. This period of amateur radio activity will allow two way

communications facilitating actual amateur radio contacts utilizing
the antenna system of the television transmitter. The web-site
http://www.hg50mhz.tv will also broadcast a video and audio stream
in real-time from the stationï¿½s operating position, thus everybody
will be able to listen to how his or her transmission can be copied
at the former television station. The chat and guestbook pages of
the site also provide another means of communications amongst the
interested amateur radio community. The location of the station is
at the Szechenyi-hill broadcast station of Antenna Hungaria (JN97II)
Station operators are either employees of Antenna Hungaria who are
licensed radio amateurs or are members of the Haros Radio Club.
The planned modes of operation are: CW, SSB, FM and digital. Besides
being available for normal tropospheric and sporadic E modes of
propagation EME earth-moon-earth experiments are also planned at
HG50MHZ. SOURCE: ha5pt, Tamas, via Magic Band EME

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... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 2359 UTC ...

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like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USER who did send us info and News **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/kontact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

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746. The ARRL Letter for August 11, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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==> + PROPAGATION NEWS: SOLAR EXPLOSIONS COULD IMPACT EARTH

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration is keeping an
eye on a set of solar storms and explosions that could disrupt
satellite, telecommunications and electric equipment here on Earth in
the next few days. While activity had reportedly returned to somewhat
normal levels when solar winds calmed the morning of Monday, August 8,
another explosion at 0805 UTC on Tuesday, August 9 was three times
larger than the February 15 flare, which, until now, was the most
significant flare of Solar Cycle 24.
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Given the location of the activity, any coronal mass ejection (CMEs) from the flare would likely be directed away from Earth. As such, the Space Weather Prediction Center is not forecasting "significant Geomagnetic Storm activity," and the most recent storms should not affect radio amateurs. But when a CME does hit the Earth's atmosphere -- approximately 72 hours after exploding on the Sun -- the low bands will be depressed and signals will be weaker the lower the frequency. The absorption rate will be most severe on 160 meters, less on 80 and somewhat better on 40 meters. The maximum usable frequency (MUF) -- the highest frequency by which a radio wave can propagate between given terminals by ionospheric propagation alone, independent of power -- will be lower and auroral propagation on the VHF bands is quite possible. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/solar-explosions-could-impact-earth>.

==> + FCC NEWS: VANITY CALL SIGN FEE TO GO UP IN SEPTEMBER

On August 10, the FCC announced via a Final Rule in the Federal Register that the cost of an Amateur Radio vanity call sign will increase 90 cents, from to $13.30 to $14.20. The new fees take effect 30 days after publication, making September 9, 2011, the first day the new fee is in effect. The vanity call sign regulatory fee is payable not only when applying for a new vanity call sign, but also upon renewing a vanity call sign for a new term. The first vanity call sign licenses issued under the current Amateur Radio vanity call sign program that began in 1996 came up for renewal five years ago. The FCC is authorized by the Communications Act of 1934, As Amended, to collect vanity call sign fees to recover the costs associated with that program. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/vanity-call-sign-fee-to-go-up-in-september>.

==> + ARRL VEC TEAM ATTENDS NATIONAL VEC CONFERENCE

Representatives of 12 of the nation's 14 Volunteer Examiner Coordinators (VECs) -- either in person or via proxy -- met July 29 in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania for the 26th Annual National Conference of Volunteer Examiner Coordinators (NCVEC) Conference. NCVEC Chairman Larry Pollock, NB5X presided over the gathering that offered an opportunity for representatives of the VECs to discuss issues facing the volunteer examination program and to meet face-to-face with FCC staff members. The ARRL's delegation to the conference included ARRL VEC Manager Maria Somma, AB1FM, and Assistant VEC Manager Perry Green, WY1O, as well as ARRL Regulatory Information Manager Dan Henderson, N1ND. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-vec-team-attends-national-vec-conference>.

==> + ON THE AIR: ATTENTION RTTY ROOKIES -- THE 2011 RTTY ROOKIE ROUNDUP IS HERE!

For the first time since the Rookie Roundup <http://www.arrl.org/rookie-roundup> came into being last year, the digital modes will get their day in the Sun: On August 21, the Rookie Roundup meets RTTY! "Created to give the budding operator a place to

learn about contesting at an easier pace, the Rookie Roundup is a six hour contest open to all amateurs who have been licensed for three years or fewer," explained ARRL Contest Branch Manager Sean Kutzko, KX9X. "If you were licensed in 2009, 2010 or 2011, you qualify as a Rookie. The Rookie Roundup is run three times per year: SSB in April, RTTY in August and CW in December." But "Old Timers" have a place in the Rookie Roundup, too. "Elmering is a critical component of the Rookie Roundup, and OTs are encouraged to not only get on and work the Rookies, but to host a Rookie and assist them with learning how to participate," Kutzko said. "Rookies can work anybody, but non-Rookies can only work Rookies." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/attention-rtty-rookies-the-2011-rtty-rookie-roundup-is-here>.

==> + ON THE AIR: GO HIGH FOR THE 2011 ARRL 10 GHZ AND UP CONTEST

If you enjoy the being on the cutting edge of Amateur Radio's technical side, take a look at the microwave bands. The 2011 ARRL 10 GHz and Up Contest gives you the perfect chance to explore this portion of the radio spectrum. This contest boasts two weekends of activity: August 20-21 and again on September 17-18. The contest period for both weekends starts at 6 AM (local time) on Saturday and runs until midnight (local time) on Sunday. Points are awarded based on the distance of a QSO, and operating from several locations during the contest period is not only allowed, it's encouraged! "Most amateurs use SSB, although there is some CW, as well," explained ARRL Contest Branch Manager Sean Kutzko, KX9X. "Power levels are relatively low compared to HF; most stations run several hundred milliwatts. A station running a few watts is considered a 'Big Gun.' Antennas are usually dishes, like those used for receiving satellite TV." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/go-high-for-the-2011-arrl-10-ghz-and-up-contest>.

==> SECOND CENTURY CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE MEETS IN NEWINGTON

The year 2014 marks the end of the first 100 years of the ARRL. In these 100 years, amateurs have seen spark gap give way to CW, FM and AM, SSB and the numerous digital modes, with the ARRL leading the way. In celebration of the beginning of a second century of Amateur Radio, the ARRL has formed the Second Century Campaign Committee. This group -- led by David W. Brandenburg, K5RQ, of Osprey, Florida -- had their first formal meeting in Newington on Thursday, August 11.

The Second Century Campaign Committee will develop and lead a multi-million dollar campaign, focused on building the ARRL Endowment to further secure resources to fund the League's commitment to the future. The ARRL Second Century Campaign will open the path to meaningful involvement in Amateur Radio by new generations, providing opportunities for educational enrichment, community service and personal achievement through the exploration and use of the magic of radio communication.

Members of the Second Century Campaign Committee are: Mike Valentine, W8MM, of Cincinnati, Ohio; Bob Allphin, K4UEE, of Marietta, Georgia; Frank Donovan, W3LPL, of Glenwood, Maryland; Ken Byers, K4TEA, of Atlanta, Georgia; L. Dennis Shapiro, W1UF, of Chestnut Hill, Massachusetts, and Glenn Johnson, W0GJ, of Bemidji, Minnesota. ARRL President Kay Craigie, N3KN, and Vice President Rick Roderick, K5UR, are also on the Second Century Campaign Committee, as are ARRL Chief Executive Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ, Chief Financial Officer Barry Shelley, N1VXY, and Chief Development Officer Mary Hobart, K1MMH. All members of the committee serve in a volunteer capacity.

==> GENERAL CLASS Q&A NOW AVAILABLE FOR KINDLE

The fourth edition of ARRL's General Q&A
<http://www.amazon.com/ARRLs-General-Q-A-ebook/dp/B005F0GPYU/ref=sr_1_1?s=digital-text&ie=UTF8&qid=1312818226&sr=1-1>
is now available from Amazon.com for the Kindle. This e-book is your authoritative guide to every question in the General (Element 3) question pool -- everything you need to pass your General class license exam. When you use ARRL's General Q&A, you can be sure that you are using the best way to review for the 35 question exam. The e-book includes every question -- and answer -- in the General class question pool, utilizing a multiple-choice format similar to the one on the actual exam. The current General class question pool is valid through June 30, 2015.

Kindle is shaped much like a book, with a paper-like screen that displays text and pictures. You do not need a Kindle to download and purchase the General Q&A: those who have the Kindle application installed on their Apple <http://www.apple.com/> iPhone <http://www.apple.com/iphone/> iPod touch <http://www.apple.com/ipodtouch/>, Android smartphone -- or even on their computer -- can download the book for use on these devices. Each version of the Q&A lets you review questions and answers from that element's entire question pool so you can pass your exam. The Tech Q&A
<http://www.amazon.com/ARRLs-Tech-Q-5th-ebook/dp/B003NE6D10/ref=sr_1_2?s=digital-text&ie=UTF8&qid=1312818226&sr=1-2>,
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and Extra Q&A
<http://www.amazon.com/ARRLs-Extra-Q-A-ebook/dp/B0032Z74TU/ref=sr_1_3?s=digital-text&ie=UTF8&qid=1312818226&sr=1-3>
are available from Amazon.com for $9.99 each. The soft cover version of the General Q&A is also available
<http://www.arrl.org/shop/ARRL-s-General-Q-and-A-4th-Edition/> for $17.95. Upgrade and enjoy more frequency privileges today.

==> AMATEUR RADIO TECHNOLOGY: 30TH ANNUAL ARRL/TAPR DIGITAL COMMUNICATIONS CONFERENCE SET FOR SEPTEMBER

The Four Points Sheraton Hotel at Baltimore Washington International Airport is home base for the 30th annual ARRL/TAPR Digital

Communications Conference, September 16-18. This conference is an international forum for radio amateurs to meet and publish their work, as well as present new ideas and techniques. Presenters and attendees will have the opportunity to exchange ideas and learn about recent hardware and software advances, theories, experimental results and practical applications. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/30th-annual-arrl-tapr-digital-communications-conference>.

==> + MALPELO DXPEDITION TO GET UNDERWAY IN JANUARY 2012

The HK0NA DXpedition to Malpelo -- an island located approximately 235 miles from Colombia's Pacific coast -- is scheduled for January 22-February 6, 2012. Organized by the DX Radio Amateur Club out of Colombia, the DXpedition boasts an international team of 16 operators from eight countries. Malpelo is currently #12 on DX Magazine's 100 Most Needed Countries Survey. According to DXpedition leader Jorge Prieto, HK1R, the HK0NA Team will depart from Buenaventura, Colombia on January 22 for the boat trip to Malpelo. Depending on sea and landing conditions, they expect to be on the air within 36 hours after landing on Malpelo. They will be using SSB, CW and Digital modes on 160-6 meters. Operations are planned on 160-6 meters on CW, SSB and Digital modes, including EME. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/malpelo-dxpedition-to-get-underway-in-january-2012>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "The Sun is zooming in <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FiVvA9YQpiI>" Cook, K7RA, reports: The average daily sunspot numbers declined more than 24 points to 75.1 this week, while the average daily solar flux was down more than 12 points to 104.3. We saw solar flares recently, with a substantial geomagnetic upset on Friday and Saturday -- August 5-6 -- when the planetary A index was 49 and 31. The largest solar flare of the current sunspot cycle <http://www.arrl.org/news/solar-explosions-could-impact-earth>, an X7 flare, occurred at 0805 UTC on August 9, emerging from sunspot group 1263. This does not appear to be Earth-directed. The latest forecast from NOAA has solar flux at 85 through August 17, then 90, 98, 98 and 100 on August 18-21, and then 105 on August 22-30. The planetary A index is expected to be 7 on August 11, 5 on August 12-15, then 15, 18, 10, 8, 5, 12 and 8 on August 16-22, 5 on August 23-25, and 15, 10, 8, 5 and 5 on August 26-30. Look for more information on the ARRL website on Friday, August 12. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by The Clash's London Calling <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/London_Calling_%28song%29>.

==> + RTTY DXCC AWARD NOW KNOWN AS DIGITAL DXCC AWARD

At the 2011 Second Meeting of the ARRL Board of Directors
<http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-board-of-directors-gathers-in-connecticut-for-2011-second-meeting>,
the Board voted to change the name of the RTTY DXCC Award to the Digital DXCC Award. In changing the name, the Board took into account that Amateur Radio technology has advanced to include many variations of digital communications. On July 25, the word "Digital" began replacing "RTTY on these DXCC certificates.

==> + FORMER "WORLD ABOVE 50 MHZ" CONDUCTOR RECEIVES CSVHFS'S PRESIDENT'S AWARD

At the recent Central States VHF Society (CSVHFS <http://www.csvhfs.org/>) Convention -- held July 29-30 in Irving, Texas -- CSVHFS President Chuck Clark, AF8Z, presented the President's Award to Gene Zimmerman W3ZZ <http://www.arrl.org/news/gene-zimmerman-w3zz-to-retire-from-the-world-above-50-mhz>.
"I truly appreciate this award," Zimmerman told the ARRL. "Central States is one of the best known VHF organizations in the United States, and as a former CSVHFS Director, I know what an honor all CSVHFS awards are." The award was given in recognition of Zimmerman's work on E-skip propagation and being the VHF Editor and conductor of QST's "The World Above 50 MHz" column for the past nine years.

==> THIS WEEK ON THE RADIO

This week:

- August 12 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- August 13-14 -- Maryland-DC QSO Party; WAE DX Contest (CW)
- August 14 -- SKCC Weekend Sprint

Next week:

- August 19 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- August 20 -- Feld Hell Sprint
- August 20-21 -- ARRL 10 GHz and Up Contest (local time) <http://www.arrl.org/news/go-high-for-the-2011-arrl-10-ghz-and-up-contest>; SARTG WW RTTY Contest; North American QSO Party (SSB); Russian District Award Contest; CWOps CW Open
- August 21 -- ARRL Rookie Roundup (RTTY) <http://www.arrl.org/news/attention-rtty-rookies-the-2011-rtty-rookie-roundup-is-here>; SARL Digital Contest
- August 22 -- Run for the Bacon QRP Contest
- August 24 --
- August 24-25 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out

the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page
<http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- August 20 -- ARRL West Virginia State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-virginia-state-convention-1>,
Weston, West Virginia
- August 20-21 -- ARRL Alabama State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/alabama-state-convention-huntsville-hamfest>,
Huntsville, Alabama
- August 21 -- ARRL Kansas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/kansas-state-convention-1>, Salina,
Kansas
- August 28 -- ARRL Western Pennsylvania Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/western-pennsylvania-section-convention-1>,
New Kensington, Pennsylvania
- September 9-11 -- ARRL Southwestern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southwestern-division-convention-hamcon-2011>,
Torrance, California
- September 11 -- ARRL Great Lakes Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/great-lakes-division-convention-findlay-hamfest
>,
Findlay, Ohio
- September 17 -- ARRL Roanoke Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/roanoke-division-convention-virginia-beach-hamf
est>,
Virginia Beach, Virginia
- September 24 -- ARRL Washington State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/washington-state-convention-35th-annual-spokane
-hamfest>,
Spokane Valley, Washington
- October 8-9 -- ARRL Florida State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/florida-state-convention-melbourne-hamfest>,
Melbourne, Florida
- October 9 -- ARRL Connecticut State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/connecticut-state-convention-1>,
Wallingford, Connecticut
- October 14-16 -- ARRL Pacific Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/pacificon-2011>, Santa Clara, California
- October 21-22 -- ARRL West Gulf Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-gulf-division-convention-texoma-hamarama>,
Ardmore, Oklahoma
- October 22 -- ARRL Iowa State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/iowa-state-convention-hamboree-2011>,
Sergeant Bluff, Iowa
- November 6 -- ARRL Iowa Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/iowa-section-convention>, Davenport, Iowa
- November 19-20 -- ARRL Indiana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/indiana-state-convention-fort-wayne-hamfest-and
-computer-expo>,

Fort Wayne, Indiana
- December 3-4 -- ARRL West Central Florida Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-central-florida-section-convention-tampa-b
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Palmetto, Florida

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THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING AUGUST 14 2011.

Remembrance Day 2011
Author VK4OD Peter Harding WIA Contest Manager

Each year since the conclusion of World War Two the WIA pays homage to those
Australian Radio Amateurs who paid the Supreme Sacrifice during those
tumultuous years.

We do that in the form of the Remembrance Day Contest, This year August 13-14.

Prior to the commencement of the RD contest at 0800UTC Saturday (6pm AEST)
An opening address is given by Australian Dignitaries and the WIA.

This address , 2011, runs for some 39 minutes prior to the 6pm contest start.

It is heard on the vast WIA News Network, check out the weekly news link on
this wia.org.au site under "where to hear us".

Right now the RD Contest Opening Speech file is available for download from this site

http://www.wia.org.au/members/contests/rdcontest/documents/2011_rd_opening_64.mp3

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It is also on the WIAQ backup site:

http://wiaq.com/ftp/index.htm

The whole file runs for 39Min 26Secs

PLEASE be sure to start running the whole file at EXACTLY 07:20.34 UTC, in order to finish at 08:00 precisely.

73 and "Good Luck In The Contest", Peter.
vk4od@wia.org.au

THE sun has unleashed the largest solar flare in five years, this as it burst forth on the far side of the sun so little impact to satellites and communication systems. However the USA's Space Weather Prediction Centre says there were reports of brief short-wave radio disruptions in our part of the world, mainly Asia.

Scientists estimate there will be more such solar eruptions over the next 3 to 5 years.

All go for television hook-up

The world's first DATV QSO Party will be on Melbourne's VK3RTV repeater later this month.

The QSO Party has been organised by Peter Cossins VK3BFG as control station and will include the Amateur Television Network of California and the British Amateur Television Club (BATC).

Peter VK3BFG said that 8pm (AEST) Friday the 26th is quite good timing to kick off the two-day event as part of the Amateur Radio Victoria celebration of its centenary.

Current arrangement includes VK7TW (Hobart), VK7EM (Penguin), VK3CE (Bendigo) and VK4XRL (Brisbane). Their video will come via Skype which will then be put on DVB-S to VK3RTV2.

Melbourne stations will respond via VK3RTV1. VK3BCU is in Thailand and expects also to be Skype-linked.

On Saturday the 27th of August at 1pm (AEST) there be a link up with Don Hill KE6BXT in California and also connected with the W6ATN ATV Repeater. As on Friday, VK3BFG will take the Skype feed through to VK3RTV2.

Anyone anywhere in the world can watch the proceedings via the BATC streaming website (AEST is plus 10 hours UTC).

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

Only days left to register for the ILLW

On Wednesday came the 400th entry in the International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend from Bill Tinnion M0DXT at the Maryport old lighthouse, in Cumbria to the northwest of England.

Octagonal cast iron shape makes it the first of that construction type in England and possibly the world's oldest using the technique.

As far as totals go the USA has taken the lead on 65, followed by Australia on 63. The pair is followed by Germany, England and the Netherlands. Then Sweden, Scotland, Canada, South Africa, Finland, Portugal, and New Zealand. In all up to 50 countries have entered.

Among the Australian entries is Evans Head Light by Graeme Battistuzzi, who does so in the memory of former operator Bob Peterson VK2AAG a recent silent key.

The Oxley Region Radio Club VI40BOR celebrates its 40 years at Tacking Point Lighthouse. Ipswich and District Radio Club signs VI4FI from Sandy Cape on Fraser Island, and VK3WI Amateur Radio Victoria Centenary bonus point station is at Williamstown.

If you're looking for first time activated lighthouses in Australia, try for VK4 and Point Cartwright, Bustard Head and Lady Elliot Island, to VK5 there's Corny Point and VK6 we have Casurina.

In VK2 or shall we say "off the coast of", the Hellenic Amateur Radio Association of Australia, will operate from 19-22nd of August from Montague Island OC-223 for the Light house weekend with 15 members operating from 3 stations using the club call of VK2CL

Catherine Stokes, VK2FEME, Secretary - Hellenic Amateur Radio Association of Australia Inc. says the team expects all the equipment to arrive back in Sydney this weekend from Lord Howe Island after their major DX'Pedition where HARAOA made some 17000 qso and 140000 hits to their website www.vk9hr.com

Tommy VK2IR club president & team leader reports all went to plan and HARAOA again continues to set the standard with its world wide DX'Peditions. The logs for VK9HR were uploaded daily as were the LOTW onto their amazing website full of stats and they are printing 8 sided full colour qsl cards.

Check out at the website illw.net which includes an online entry form and the guidelines for this fun 48-hour event being held next weekend.

(Jim Linton VK3PC/Catherine Stokes VK2FEME)

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VK6APH receives Award

Bob Bristow - VK6POP Reports.

On Sunday the 7th of August at the NCRG Hamfest, Bob Bristow presented to Phil Harman VK6APH the Ron Wilkinson Award certificate.

The award was announced at the recent WIA AGM in Darwin. Phil agreed to be presented with the award at Hamfest. Phil received the award in recognition of his contribution to Amateur radio, especially in digital techniques and for his contributions to Amateur radio literature.

Phil said he was honoured to receive the award.

The presentation of the certificate was done live, on-air, during the NewsWest broadcast.

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news

Liverpool & District ARC are holding a Club Auction next Saturday August 20 at 10.00am. A large variety of equipment on offer including
Swan 500 Transceiver Swan VHF150 2m linear, transmitter valves and collectable valves

Montague Island Lighthouse Activation
H.A.R.A.O.A. will activate Montague Island Lighthouse for The International Lighthouse/ Lightship Weekend NEXT weekend August 20-21.

AUS0071 (IOTA Island OC-223.

Operating as VK2CL Portable. (cHECK OUT THE ITEM AT TOP OF THIS BULLETIN).
For all information check website
www.haraoa.com.

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/
Police Roundup http://www.vicpolicenews.com.au/

Weekend Foundation Licence course

Want some quality training for the Foundation Licence, or know someone who may be interested, then tell them about the next class on offer from Amateur Radio Victoria which is September the 10th and 11th.

Inquiries most welcomed by Barry Robinson VK3PV on 0428 516 001 or email foundation@amateurradio.com.au

VK4 - QNEWS
web service local audio news:- www.wiaq.com/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
local news email qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
VKR Roundup http://www.police.qld.gov.au/News+and+Alerts/Media+Releases/

Welcome to QNews from VK4WIA. I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP, and I've been reflecting.

The Remembrance Day Contest is the quintessential amateur radio activity honouring all those who served and those who died in the service of our country.
We celebrate ANZAC Day as well as Remembrance Day, in November but it is the special recognition of those whose interest in peace and occupation in war was radio and electronics.

At times we lose sight of the those other people who fought in different ways. I met one amateur who joined the merchant navy and was rescued 3 times from sunken ships. We had the great army of civilians designing, refining and building equipment for the military forces - much of this to become radio surplus in the early years of peace time.

We have heard the story of Florence Mackenzie, Mrs Mackenzie as she was known to her students learning Morse Code to aid the war effort. But there were hundreds of civilians who passed through similar doors to wear a uniform in aiding the fighting forces. The efforts of the YL sorority was shown on a new program on ABC TV just before ANZAC Day. "Girl's Own War Stories" recognises the efforts of the women who became nurses, auxiliaries to the armed forces, populated the land army and maintained Red Cross services as well as all war efforts.

In remembering let us include not only the military but the broad range of our community who gave in times of peril so that we can enjoy today.

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think.....how about you?

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This is Allan VK4FABR with news from the Ipswich and District Radio Club.

Sandy Cape Lighthouse will be home to four club members for the International Lighthouse and Lightship weekend, next weekend August 20 and 21.

The 4WD permit for travel on Fraser Island has now been obtained, and also the special callsign VI4FI.

A TH3 Junior Tribander will be used for 10, 15 and 20 on a 10m Clark Mast and the Butternut HF6V for the lower bands in addition to a Multi-band dipole in an Inverted V configuration.

The main radio will be a Yaesu FTDX-5000 with back up rigs consisting of an Icom IC-7600 & a Kenwood TS-480HX.

Power will be supplied 24 hours a day via a RAPS Solar System so on air time will be around the clock as much as possible.

A special QSL Card to celebrate this activation will be designed by UX5UO QSL Print Services.

The DXpedition to Fraser Island is supported by club sponsors Ipswich City Council and VK4ICE Communications.

All updates via the website at www.sandycape2011.com and LIVE status updates via Twitter @VI4FI which links directly with the VK4WIP Facebook page at www.facebook.com/vk4wip as the Twitter updates are posted

The Ipswich Sandy Cape team of Paul VK4FPDW, Derek VK4MIA, Mike VK4QS and Graham VK4FGCC are looking forward to working you on the bands.

I'm Allan VK4FABR.

Redcliffe and District Radio Club
www.redclifferadioclub.org.au/

I'm Ray, VK4CF with news from Redcliffe & Districts Radio club.

The club's portable station, VK4IZ/p, in the recent VHF/UHF Winter Field-day was awarded 2nd place in the Multi-operator 8-hour section of the contest having scored 2000 points. Kevin VK4UH said that it was a big effort but well worth the effort. David, VK4DC and Peter, VK4EA have been busy building uhf transceivers to be ready for the next field day contest and possible moon bounce activities.

The club has its regular technical talks on the third Monday night of the month however this month there are 2 talks. Next Monday night James, VK4TJF will give a presentation on RFI and the following week, Kerry, VK4FKGG will give a presentation on fibre optics. This will occur as the equipment for the fibre optics presentation was not available.

The planned working bee to do the gutter replacement to the clubhouse has now been deferred to the month of October due to other activities.

As this weekend is the Remembrance Day Contest, VK4IZ will be active from the clubhouse this weekend. So if you hear our club's competition callsign, give us a call for those very important points.

A number of club members have expressed a desire to undertake a morse code course. Whilst the format and times of the course have not yet been determined as yet, further details will be forth coming. Stewart, VK4TSB has been practising by himself and wants other with limited morse speed, up to 10 words a minute, to assist him in his learning.

A big reminder that Jota is coming up in October and that about 30 members will be required to assist during the weekend. This is a major function of the club and showcases our hobby to the scouting movement. Club members will be assisting with kit assembly and other radio related activities during the weekend.

Mark VK4DGG has found a website that will produce a azimuth map from any place on Earth using a couple of different location methods. The site is http://ns6t.net/azimuth/azimuth.html

It will construct a map in about in about 20 seconds.

So now it's 73 until next time from Ray, VK4CF, from the Redcliffe club.

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http://www.radarclub.org.au

Greetings from The Rockhampton and District Amateur Radio Club, The RADAR CLUB.

With the International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend being held next weekend, two boat loads of keen radio operators - and fishermen--- will leave Yeppoon on Friday for Cape Capricorn Lighthouse on the north east corner of Curtis Island to activate the site under the club's callsign, VK4WIR.

This is the third year the club has participated and past experience has operators concentrating on quality rather than quantity of gear due to carrying capacity. Importance this year focuses on filters and antennas, with some decent long wires and a three element yagi on the gear list.

Operations are expected to be mainly on 20, 40 and 80 metres.

If you wish to arrange a contact you may also contact us during the weekend via the RADAR club's repeater on 146.700MHZ offset, IRLP, node 6973.

For further details and easy access, check out VK4WIR on QRZ.com

I'm Les VK4VIL on behalf of the Rockhampton and District Amateur Radio Club

TABLELANDS RADIO AND ELECTRONICS CLUB
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www.treclub.org.au

G'Day again from the Atherton Tablelands this is Dale VK4DMC for the Tablelands Radio and Electronics Club, TREC, in Far North Queensland.

Once again TREC members are out and about on the Atherton Tablelands providing check point manning and communications for the Far North Equestrian Riders. This event is an overnight one to coincide with the full moon. John, VK4TL, who normally coordinates things between TREC and the horsy mob is unavailable due to illness but TREC President Stu, VK4SDD, has stepped up and has got things running smoothly. The weather is being kind with temperatures slightly warmer than the 0 degree experienced on the last ride.

The next TREC meeting will be on Saturday 20th August at the clubrooms in Atherton. Visitors are always welcome so if you're in the area please call in and say G'Day. Location of the clubrooms is on the WIA website under clubs.

Well that's your lot for this week.

Visit the TREC website at www.treclub.org.au for club information and you can also download the latest monthly club news in TREC-NEWS. Past issues are also available on the site.

This has been Dale VK4DMC and you are listening to the WIA news. Travel Well!

Central Highlands ARC AGM Weekend - Friday 30 Sept to Sun 2 Oct

The famous and popular Central Highlands Amateur Radio Club AGM weekend at Camp Fairbairn near Emerald will be on from 3-30pm Friday 30th September to Midday Sunday 2nd October 2011.

Thanks to Gavin and the Townsville Amateur Radio Club we learn the basic costs are the same as last year, ie $13.20 per person per night or $6.60 for day visitors.

Caravaners please book into Lake Maraboon Holiday Village, as soon as possible.

CHARC Secretary Gordon VK4KAL needs to know from you if you are attending, so can plan catering for the acclaimed Saturday Night Gastronomic Feed Up, arrange the troops to get enough chairs and treasure together for the coveted AGM Monster Auction, divvy up the available beds available in the on site dormitory and ensure there is enough grub for the Sunday Recovery Breakfast.

All you need to do is lift a digit or two and let Gordon know before the booking deadline of 25th September of your intentions to attend.

VK7
local area news :- http://reast.asn.au/news.php
vk7 local news, email vk7regionalnews-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

ILLW - NW Microwave Activation

On the weekend of 21 and 22 August Rex VK7MO will be joining Eric VK7NFI and Wayne VK7NET for the International Lighthouse Weekend operating from Table Cape Lighthouse in QE29 North West Tasmania.

The top of the lighthouse gives an excellent take-off all across Bass Strait.

Rex will operate on 144, 432, 1296 and 10368 both SSB and digital on XXX.225. Rex will also try meteor scatter during the normal activity sessions on 144.230.

With this fast approaching weekend for the International Lighthouse and Lightship brigade teams are planning to activate several lighthouses across VK7, Devonport, Winston VK7EM, and Scott VK7NWT, are preparing to activate Mersey Bluff lighthouse.

Eric VK7NFI, and Wayne VK7NET, are doing the usual at Wynyard with the Table Cape lighthouse. After last years event, the Wynyard council offered to make available the lighthouse structure which is now open for inspection tours. There will be much opportunity to improve the antenna locations as the lighthouse is in the order of 20 m high.

Dion VK7DB will be doing a first time activation of the Sandy Cape lighthouse on the rugged west coast. Getting to this remote location will be an adventure in itself as the only access is via about 20km of beach and tracks heading south from Temma.

The event will be run on the 20th and 21st of August. Please drop in and give some support to these operators doing their bit to promote Amateur Radio and keeping the airwaves active. They will look forward to both personal visits and on air contacts.

DISCUSSION POINT

What use is an f-call?

When I was learning to fly an aeroplane my instructor at the time told me that every pilot has to do something called "Going Solo", that's flying on your own for the first time. It's not the end of instruction, it's one in the path towards becoming a pilot. He also told me that this was true for pilots flying Cessna's, Boeing 747's and Space-Shuttles.

The same is true for your f-call. The time you've spent learning how Amateur Radio works, where things are written down, basic etiquette and procedure are all designed to prepare you for the wider world of Amateur Radio. Your f-call license is the first step in the process of mastering this technical hobby.

Think of your f-call as the keys to the front door. It's what allows you to participate at what ever level you'd like to. You can of course go on to get extra licenses, just like in flying, going solo is only step one on the way to the moon. The joy is in the process of discovering your niche in the path along the way.

So, your f-call is but one aspect of your hobby.

On the air last week, an amateur had purchased a radio which turned out to be not such a great bargain. Through trial and error you learn what this hobby is all about. Talking to like-minded people will help you find out what the tips and traps are.

I realise that there are more than a few listeners who either haven't got their kit ready, or if they do, are afraid to talk and use it. Over the coming months a few of us are going to get together to come up with a way that you can participate on the air without being afraid to make mistakes.

And I should also say that you should find ways of participating in events as they happen. The people turning up at those events come from all different walks of life, but they all have in common that they have an interest in this hobby of amateur radio.

I'm Onno Benschop - vk6flab

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART and the WW sources of the WIA.

911 Special Event Station

Look for special event station N3U/Flt93 (N3U/United Flight 93) to be activated once again between September 8-15th, to remind 'Amateur Radio operators world-wide' of the tragic events that happened near 'Shanksville, New York City and Washington DC on September 11, 2001.'

This year's activity will take place during the 10th anniversary and the
Memorial Dedication for the victims of United Flight 93.

QSL N3U/Flt 93 via W3PN, by the Bureau or direct (Please include SASE and
enough return postage. If additional postage is needed... your QSL will be
returned via the BUREAU).

For more details, QRZ.com

Another call will be KC2RA, New York City's Kings County Repeater Association
who have announced they will be a part of the 911 events commemorative events
to be held at the historic Conference House on Staten Island.
The group will operate under the clubs KC2RA call sign to honour those who lost
their lives on September 11th, 2001.

>From Nine Eleven to Nine One One

The California Highway Patrol says that while there was never any emergency,
that didn't stop a Sacramento woman from allegedly making 2,457 calls to the
states 911 emergency response number since June.

According to one CHP Officer, she was arrested after allegedly placing more
than 130 non-emergency calls to 911 dispatchers on one Wednesday morning alone.

She actually used three different cell phones to make the 911 calls.

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

REMEMBERING THE FIRST DECADE SINCE 911

This coming September 11th will be the 10th anniversary of the al-Queda backed
terrorist attacks of September 11th of 2001. These attacks felled the two
World Trade Centre tower buildings in New York City and damaged the Pentagon
when radical Islamic extremists high-jacked four United States flag carrier
jetliners and crashed them into the two structures. Over 3000 American
citizens were killed as well as a number of foreign nationals who worked
in the twin towers buildings.

Over the years there have been several ham radio operations in remembrance
of those whose lives were lost in this senseless and wanton carnage.
With this being the first decade anniversary of the September 11th, 2001
tragedy, we here at the Amateur Radio Newsline are trying to compile a list
of radio clubs and individual hams who are planning any form of amateur
radio memorial operation to honour those whose lives were lost that day.
If you have plans to commemorate 911, please drop us an e-mail to Newsline
at ARNewsline dot org and let us know all of the details. We in turn will
list as many as we can on our website at www.arnewsline.org.

Those whose lives were lost on 911 deserve to be remembered. We will do our
part by providing web-space to list ham radio commemorative activities.
It's up to you to do the rest.

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WEIRD AND WONDERFUL

TEN COMMANDMENTS OF ELECTRONICS

1. Beware of the lighting that lurks in an undischarged capacitor lest it cause three to be bounced upon thy backside in a most ungentle manly manner.

2. Cause thou the switch that supplies large quantities juice to be opened and thus tagged, so thy days may be long in the world.

3. Prove to thy self that all circuits that radiateth, and upon which thou worketh, are grounded lest they lift thee to high frequency potential and cause thee to radiate.

4. Take care thou useth the proper method when thou taketh the measure of high voltage circuits so that thou doth not incinerate both thee and the meter, for verily, though hast no account number and can be easily replaced, the meter doth have one and as a consequence bringeth much woe upon the supply department.

5. Tarry not amongst those who engage in intentional shocks, for the yare surely non-believers and not long for this world.

6. Take care thou tampereth not with interlocks and safety devices, for this will incur the wrath of thy seniors and bring the fury of the safety officer down upon thy head and shoulder.

7. Work not upon energised equipment, for if thou doeth, thy buddies will surely be buying beer without thee, and the space at the bar will be filled by another.

8. Verily I say unto thee, NEVER service high voltage equipment alone, for electric cooking is a slothful process, and thou might sizzle for hours on end before thy maker sees fit to end thy misery and drag thee into his fold.

9. Trifle not with radioactive equipment les thou commence to glow in the dark like unto a lightning bug.

10. Commit thee to memory the words of the prophets, which are written in instruction books, which giveth thou the straight dope, and which consoleth thee, and thou canst not make mistakes.

Courtesy of Historical Radio Society of Australia Inc. - SA Group

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2011

Aug 13-14 WIA Remembrance Day Contest This weekend.

Aug 20-21 WW I.L.L.W. Next weekend.

Aug 27-28 ALARA YL CONTEST

Oct 22 WIA Jack Files Contest

Nov 26-27 WIA Spring VHF-UHF Field Day

31st ALARA Contest.

YLs can work everyone. OMs and Clubs can join in but only by working YLs.

The Contest will run over 20 hours combined Phone and CW.

The dates and times are

Saturday 27th August 2011 ---- 0400 hours UTC to 1359 hours UTC
Sunday 28th August 2011----- 0400 hours UTC to 1359 hours UTC

Bands to be used are 3.5, 7, 14, 21 and 28 MHz only.

For actual frequencies and rules of operation see the website
http://www.alara.org.au/contests/31st-alara-contest-rules/

(Shirley VK5YL)

WRTC2014 RELEASES NEW PROMOTIONAL VIDEO

A new promotional video for the 2014 World Radiosport Team Championship games has been released by the events planners. Produced by noted film maker James Brooks 9V1YC, the video showcases the aspect of radiosports along with showing the planning that goes into preparing to host an event of this magnitude.

You can see this new promotional video on-line at
tinyurl.com/wrtc2014

More information on the planning of the 2014 World Radiosport Team Championship 2is on-line at wrtc2014.org

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

Historic RAAF Station active for RD Contest this weekend.

RAAF Commemorative Station VK4KG will be operating portable for this years RD Contest August 13th to 14th somewhere in North Queensland at a significant historic military site and would appreciate any support on-air.

EA 3 PT will be active /EA6 on Menorca Island until August 21.
This operation will be holiday style meaning that he will be on the air as he feels the need or as time permits.
Bands announced are 40 through 10 using SSB only.
QSL via Logbook of the World or by paper QSL to his home callsign EA 8 PT.

KF 8 UN will be in Peru until August 16th. He will be active /OA4 and says that he plans to work 20 meters. He too is operating holiday style.
QSL via his home callsign KF 8 UN.

THE QNEWS WORK BENCH - the nuts and volts report -
(Measure twice - Cut once!)

IEEE 802.22 to use VHF and UHF TV frequencies

The IEEE has recently released the new 802.22 standard for Wireless Regional Area Network (WRAN) using white spaces in the TV frequency spectrum.

The IEEE 802.22 standard is designed to provide Rural Broadband Wireless Access using Cognitive Radio Technology.

It uses VHF and UHF TV channels between 54 and 862 MHz and is claimed to have a theoretical range of up to 33 km. It is envisaged that subscribers would use directional antennas on the roof.

IEEE 802.22 can deliver a data rate of up to 19 Mbps in a 6 MHz wide USA TV channel. Channel Bonding, using more than one channel for Tx / Rx, can provide greater bandwidth. A single channel might be able to support 12 simultaneous users in the coverage area.

Read The Register article - Rural white space wireless standard signed off

www.theregister.co.uk/2011/08/01/rural_wireless_standard/

INTRUDER WATCH - ENFORCEMENT ZONE

Region III IARUMS Coordinator Peter Young VK3MV

VK IARUMS reflector email to subscribe intruders@wia.org.au

INTRUDER NETS
Friday 0730 UTC 7.065.5 with VK4CEU David.

Amateur exclusive frequencies where any non-amateur signal is definitely an intruder.

Amateur HF Spectrum world wide
7.050 to 7.100
14.000 to 14.250
14.250 to 14.350 No broadcasters
21.000 to 21.450
24.890 to 24.990
28.000 to 29.700

A Radio Amateur in Northern California, inadvertently pushed a keyboard up to his keyer, which produced a stream of dots at 25 WPM for well over a week.

NZART InfoLine says an international effort from Region 3 bringing in Region 1 via the Intruder watch and various posts to DX Clusters and Yahoo groups eventually resulted in the Radio Amateur being contacted via the ARRL in the USA.

Signal reports were received from Europe, USA, Africa and Australia and New Zealand (who heard it first and raised the alarm).

The resultant HF DF hunt resulted in a solid triangulation on the USA states from Radio Amateurs from all over the world.

Finally, we can only imagine a slightly embarrassed Radio Amateur within the US was contacted and the stream nicknamed "Dotty" ceased yesterday.

Excellent collaboration throughout the Intruder watch organisations across Europe, USA and New Zealand, which could only have occurred with the support of the Radio Amateurs who participated in the hunt, providing signal and

reports. For a week the 18085.5 signal was an excellent HF beacon for propagation.

Another exciting tale from the NZART Monitoring Service - who says monitoring is boring?

(John ZL1GWE nzart info line)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ARDF
WIA ARDF COORDINATOR VK3WWW Jack vk3www@wia.org.au
http://users.mackay.net.au/~ron/
http://www.homingin.com
http://www.ardf.org.au

Sep 23-28 R3 Region 3 ARDF Championship Bendigo VK3
http://r3.ardf.org.au/

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ATV (Every pixel tells a story) - Video
arvideonews.com
hamradiotube.com
youtube.com
qdg.org.au

BATC OFFERS FREE STREAMING SERVICE TO HAM RADIO EVENTS

If you want to webcast a ham radio happening to the world, the British Amateur Television Club is ready and eager to supply the assistance that you might need.

Amateur Radio Newsline say "According to an e-mail from Ian Abel, G3ZHI, the club has a high capacity streaming server available to any individual radio amateur or ham radio group that would like to use it for webcasting a ham radio event.

Nor is live netcasting the only aspect of this free video streaming operation. The BATC site is also a video repository for those who want to have their video material made available on-line:

It seems very easy to webcast and only requires the Adobe video encoder which is a free download and that use of the British Amateur Television Club streaming service is also free.

If you are interested in making use of this service please contact Ian by e-mail

g3zhi@hotmail.com

More information and the video archive is on-line at www dot batc dot tv

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FEMALES IN RADIO
ALARA - AUSTRALIAN LADIES AR ASSOCIATION
http://alara.org.au
Net is held each Mondays on 3.570 MHz, commencing at 1030 UTC.
(1000utc during daylight saving)

geencee@picknowl.com.au

Hello, I'm Tina VK5TMC organiser of the 2012 YL International Meet in Adelaide, Australia, from 3rd May to 9th May 2012 with an optional 9 day Ghan luxury train and bus adventure.

We currently have 50 YLs and OMs registered and at least another 25 who have expressed interest in attending our Meet. Countries represented so far besides Australia, are Norway, Germany, UK, Japan, New Zealand, USA, and Canada.

The web page has itineraries, a list of those hoping to attend, and lots of information including final prices. You can check out everything at

www.ylinternational2012.com

Or just search for YL International 2012.

We are trying regular skeds on Echolink at the conference station ALARA on the second Tuesday of the month at 0500UTC, 1100UTC and 2200UTC which hopefully will allow most people to check in at a convenient time. Join us for a chat or to get your questions answered. We would be happy just to meet you.

If no one is there after 10 minutes we probably won't be there by a quarter past the hour. You contact me directly at VK5TMC@bigpond.com (all in lower case.)

Registration is now open waiting for your name to be added.

I hope you are all working on your plans for the meet and looking forward to it as much as I am

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This is VK5TMC, Tina, Adelaide, Australia

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RESCUE RADIO
IARU REGION 3
Emergency Centre of Activity (CoA) frequencies
3.600, 7.110, 14.300, 18.160 and 21.360 MHz

WICEN HAVE A NEW POSTAL ADDRESS AND ARE SEEKING VOLUNTEERS.

Yes WICEN in New South Wales is seeking volunteers for the Hawkesbury Canoe Classic to be held on the 22nd and 23rd of October, plus for bump-in and bump-out tasks surrounding the event.

The race runs from Windsor to Mooney Mooney, and is a major fund-raising event for the Arrow Bone Marrow Transplant Foundation.

To assist please email: operations@nsw.wicen.org.au

Oh and WICEN's new postal address can be found on the group's website, along with membership forms and other information.

The URL is:

www.nsw.wicen.org.au

REWIND

HITCHHIKERS GUIDE TO DXING RADIO PARODY RE-RELEASED

And finally this week, it's been thirty years since former Radio Netherlands Media Network host Jonathan Marks, G8WGN, wrote a parody on international radio broadcasting. One based on his favourite radio series at the time, the Hitch-Hikers Guide to the Galaxy. He called it the Hitchhikers Guide To DX'ing and it was an overwhelming hit when it first aired back in 1980.

As Marks writes in his on-line blog, there seemed to be so much to make fun of at the time because of the boring propaganda at the height of the Cold War. According to Marks, several segments of this classic series are now available for download from the Media Network Vintage Vault at jonathanmarks.libsyn.com. The rest says G8WGN, will follow shortly.

Jonathan also invites everyone to browse through other material stored at the Media Network Vintage Vault and he encourages you to share your stories as well.

SOCIAL SCENE

2011

Aug 28 VK2 Blue Mountains amateur radio club's annual WINTERFEST
andrewvaughan230@gmail.com

Sep 10 VK4 Sunshine Coast Hamfest SUNFEST at Woombye School of Arts 9am.

Sep 11 VK3 SADARC Comms Day at St Augustine's Hall Shepparton 10am.

Sep 16-18 VK4 NQ Amateur Radio Convention Date Set Townsville

Sep 23-28 R3 Region 3 ARDF Championship Bendigo VK3
http://r3.ardf.org.au/

Sep 30-Oct 2 VK4 Central Highlands Amateur Radio Club AGM at Camp Fairbairn
CONTACT Secretary Gordon, (vk4kal@wia.org.au)

Nov 20 vk5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society Hamfest
Goodwood Community Centre, Rosa St Goodwood at 0930.
Visit www.ahars.com.au for contact details

2012

15TH IARU REGION 3 CONFERENCE hosted by V.A.R.C. in Ho-Chi-Minh City, Vietnam.

JAN 23-FEB 17 YEAR 2012
World Radio Conference WRC-11 Geneva 23rd January TO 17th February 2012

FEB 26 VK2 CCARC WYONG FIELD DAY

MAY 3-18 VK5 YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

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to submit audio read "how to submit items" in the weekly news page on wia.org.au

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being broadcast in the very next edition of WIA National News.

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Call-backs follow the RF editions, but also for text readers you may lodge a quick reply to let us know you read it, who knows, you might even get a "cheerio call".

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The purpose of "WIANews" is to rapidly provide news of interest to active amateurs residing in Australia and the globe.

We strongly encourage membership in the Wireless Institute of Australia and participation in the activities of local clubs.

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Vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
http://lists.wia.org.au/mailman/listinfo/vk1wia-news

748. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1774 - August 12 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-12 14:54:37 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20110812090004.E5CEA33C78@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4438
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1774 - August 12 2011

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1774 with a release date of
Friday, August 12th 2011 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Only a short time left to comment on a
proposal to grant almost any ham with an expired license full credit
for past examinations; Canadian hams may get a permanent 60 meter
allocation; a possible solution to coordinarting digital voice
repeaters in Texas and the Sun emits a giant X-Class flare. Find out
what this means to your on the air operations on Amateur Radio
Newsline(tm) report number 1774 coming your way right now.

(Billboard Cart Here)

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RESTRUCTURING: COMMENT PERIOD ON ANCHORAGE VEC LICENSING WAIVER
REQUEST CLOSES JUNE 19

There's just a bit more than a week left to voice your opinion to the
FCC on a July 6th request by the Anchorage Volunteer Examiner
Coordinator. One that would permit individuals whose amateur radio
operator licenses have expired and are beyond the grace period for
renewal to receive credit for examination elements previously passed.
Amateur Radio Newsline's Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, reports:

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Section 97.505(a) of the FCC Amateur service requires that the
administering VE's give an examinee holding specified license grants or
documents credit for certain examination elements. Generally, an
examinee must hold an unexpired or expired but within the grace period
for renewal license to receive examination credit. As such, and an
examinee whose license has been expired for more than two years is not
eligible to receive credit for examination elements previously passed.

But the Anchorage VEC's petition requests that that the FCC permit
volunteer examiners to give former holders of Technician, General,
Advanced, and Extra Class licenses appropriate element credit so that
they can obtain new licenses without retaking the examinations. This,
regardless of when a license expired.

In making its argument, the Anchorage VEC says that allowing
examination credit for individuals who previously held an amateur radio
license which has expired and is beyond the grace period for renewal,

would allow these individuals to obtain a new license grant at an early date and thereby allow them to again participate in normal amateur radio activities.

The Anchorage group asserts that a waiver of this sort is in the public interest because it would result in the immediate expansion of the pool of experienced operators. Volunteers that would be available in time of national or regional emergency. It also notes that many of the potential beneficiaries of such a waiver are of advanced years and are interested in prompt resolution of this matter.

The proceeding has been designated as WT Docket 11-130. Comments on it are due no later than August 19th with reply comments due no later than August 29th.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, in Los Angeles.

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Again the proceeding to address is WT Docket 11-130. Comments on it are due by August 19th with reply comments due no later than August 29th. (ARNewsline(tm), FCC)

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PROPAGATION: SUN EMITS X-CLASS FLARE - COULD AFFECT HF PROPAGATION

Space Weather reports that on Tuesday August 9, at 0805 UT, sunspot 1263 produced an X7-class solar flare. Tis is only the third X-flare of new Solar Cycle 24 and the most powerful so far.

The brunt of the explosion was not Earth directed, however what's being described as a minor proton storm was in progress around our planet that could have affected satellites in high-altitude orbits. Also, radiation from flare created waves of ionization in Earth's upper atmosphere, briefly disrupting communications at some Very Low Frequency and High Frequency radio frequencies. What we hams call band outages.

According to Space Weather, images from NASA's Solar and Heliospheric Observatory radioed back images to Earth showed a Coronal Mass Ejection emerging from the blast site on the Sun. Astronomers believe the solar cloud created by this C-M-E will probably miss Earth however they would not rule out a glancing blow from its flank on or about the time this newscast went to air. (Space Weather)

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WORLDBEAT: CANADIAN HAMS MAY GET PERMANENT 60 METER ALLOCATION THIS FALL

Canadian hams could have a permanent 60 meter allocation in the not to distant future. According to a news release by the Canadian national

amateur radio society Radio Amateurs of Canada, telecommunications regulator Industry Canada has now informed the society that it responds favorably to its request for frequencies at 5 MHz on a no protection, non-interference basis.

The new spectrum would be included in the schedule of amateur frequencies update to be released for public consideration in the future. Comments will be considered by Industry Canada in preparation for the final version of the new frequency plan. Any new frequencies it contains would become available to Canadian amateurs at the time of its release. Thus, if all goes as expected, Canadian amateurs may expect to gain access to frequencies at 5 MHz that are basically the same as those in the United States, some time this fall. (RAC)

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WORLDBEAT: RAC FORMS TASK FORCE TO EXEMPT ONTARIO HAMS FROM DISTRACTED DRIVING LAW

Turning to news from around the world, Radio Amateurs of Canada has announced the formation of a task force to seek a permanent exemption for Ontario Amateurs. This from the ban on operating mobile devices in a vehicle under the provinces new Distracted Driving ban scheduled to take effect on January 1, 2013.

The Task Force has already obtained letters of support from groups that it assists ranging from hospitals to communities to served agencies and others. All of the letters indicate that limiting the ability of ham radio operators to provide communications while mobile would not be in the Ontario's best interests.

The Task Force will present the letters as part of its case to Kathleen Wynne who is Ontario's Minister of Transportation. The objective of the Distracted Driving Task Force is to convince the Ontario government that the regulation, as currently written, will actually decrease public safety in that province. (RAC, VE3XT)

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RADIO IN SPACE: CERTIFICATES OFFERED FOR ASSISTING ARISSAT - 1

ARISSat One controllers can also use your assistance to keep track of their new bird as it circles the Earth. That being keeping tabs on the satellites telemetry as it downlinks its condition while on-orbit. And you will get a certificate of appreciation for assisting.

Monitoring the telemetry requires no computer or special programs to decode. It is made up from internal monitoring of certain selected satellite operations that are transmitted in a female voice. This voice data consists of Mission Elapsed Time in minutes, Internal Housekeeping and Control Panel temperature in degrees Centigrade, battery voltage and battery current draw. This information along with who you are, where you are and when you heard the telemetry goes by

e-mail to tlmreport (at) arissat1 (dot) org. Those who take part in this telemetry reporting program will receive a certificate in recognition of their contribution to the ARISSat One satellites flight.

Certificates are also available to anyone that receives the voice, digital or Morse code signals signals from ARISSat One. These can be heard using any 2 meter FM transceiver or a scanner radio tuned to 145.950 MHz.

ARISSat One transmits continuously in a round robin format a Voice ID, a greeting from space, voice telemetry, a voice ID and lastly a Slow Scan television image. A Secret password is included in most greetings. If you can catch it, simply e-mail it along with your name, the date, time, location where you heard the transmission along you're your e-mail address to secretword (at) arissat1 (dot) org to receive the certificate. (ARISSAT)

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SELF POLICING: ACCIDENTAL DOT STATION LOCATED THROUGH GLOBAL INTRUDER WATCH COOPERATION

An unidentified ham in Northern California who inadvertently pushed a keyboard up against his Morse keyer is likely a bit contrite right now. This after the accident wound up producing a stream of dots at 25 words per minute heard world-wide for over a week.

The signal caused what might loosely be called a minor international incident. In fact it caused a global effort beginning in TU Region 3 and eventually involving stations in Region 1 via the Intruder Watch program. It also lead to various posts to DX Clusters and Yahoo groups which eventually resulted in the suspected radio amateur being contacted via the ARRL and being asked to check his station.

Signal reports were first received in New Zealand who's ham radio community heard it and raised the alarm. Others that became involved were hams in Europe, the United States, Afica and Australia. The result was a well coordinated global High Frequency hidden transmitter hunt that resulted in a solid triangulation on the Western United States and eventually right to the front door of the station where the never ending stream of dots were coming from. Once notified, the unwanted signal quickly disappeared from the airwaves. (ZL1GWE, NZART News)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the W7FTX repeater serving Hamilton, Montanna.

(5 sec pause here)

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REPEATER COORDINATION: REFARMING OF SIMPLEX FOR DIGITAL VOICE
REPEATERS DEFEATED IN TEXAS NEW PLAN BEING CONSIDERED

A possible solution to a nagging problem that has pitted simplex users against digital repeaters in Texas. Amateur Radio Newslines Don Carlson, KQ6FM, has the details:

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A highly controversial plan by the Texas VHF FM Society that would have allowed +1 Mhz split, 10 kHz spaced narrowband digital relay modes using channels in the 146 and 147 simplex range has been voted down by a 2 to 1 margin. In its place, the Society has agreed to study an alternative idea submitted by Chris Boone, WB5ITT, to permit narrowband digital duplexed paired systems to use splinter channel pairs on all bands from 2 meters and up.

In the case of Texas, that would mean both 2 meters and 222 MHz which use 20 kHz separation spacing for analog repeater systems would put digital relay devices on the 10 kHz split pairs between them. Likewise, for 70 centimeter UHF operation where the state embraces 25 kHz between analog FM repeaters, digital machines would be placed at the 12.5 kHz points in-between. This same plan would work itself all the way up through all of the bands on which the Texas VHF-FM Society coordinates repeater systems. To help insure that the new plan would work, a minimum 50 mile separation between all new adjacent split channel repeater pairs, analog or digital, would be imposed on all bands.

What this all means is that digital repeaters that have unilaterally set up shop on simplex channels on a temporary basis will be in limbo until mid 2012. This is because in accordance with the Society By-laws regarding changes to the coordination standards in Texas, the WB5ITT proposal was tabled. This gives the Society the time need for the membership to be polled on the idea and then the issue to be voted on at the next summer meeting.

In the meantime, digital repeaters already on the air will remain on their current frequencies but will be expected to move to new channels if the motion passes. That will mean normal 600 kHz input to output separation with non-inverted operation. Until then, no new digital coordination's on simplex frequencies will be allowed since the original proposal to allow these systems onto the simplex channels failed to pass.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Don Carlson, KQ6FM, in Reno.

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If the membership of the Texas VHF-FM Society buys off on the WB5ITT proposal it holds the potential of quieting the furor over digital voice relay systems that has plagued the state for about the past 24 months. It also could set the precedent for the standardized

integration of digital voice repeaters in a crowded analog FM world that repeater coordination councils and band planners nationwide have been seeking. At least it's a place to start for those regions that already use 20 KHz spacing between repeaters on the 2 meter band. (ARNewsline(tm))

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ENFORCEMENT: NEW ZEALAND CONVICTION FOR SELLING RADIO JAMMERS

An unidentified New Zealand man has been fined $2000 after being convicted in Porirua District Court of supplying illegal radio jamming transmitters. This following a combined effort between government agencies.

New Zealand's Ministry of Economic Development had filed charges under the Radio Communications Act after Police found the transmitters during a house search for drugs. At the hearing the man admitted supplying the radio jammers and also to transmitting outside the terms of his radio license. (Southgate)

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ENFORCEMENT: BOSS FORCED TO PAY FORMER EMPLOYEE FOR INSULTS MADE OVER CB

If you live in Australia and make disparaging comments about someone over a CB radio, it could cost you big bucks. That's just what has happened down-under as we hear from WIA News reporter Graham Kemp, VK4BB:

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A southeast Queensland-based security worker who was called insulting names on CB radio has won a $5000 payout from her former boss.

The woman from Eagleby, south of Brisbane, hailed from the former Yugoslavia and complained to the former Anti-Discrimination Commission over offensive comments allegedly made by a security business owner.

The 65-year-old woman's complaint shone a light on the abusive culture of some UHF/CB radio transmissions, with one witness admitting he had even encouraged his four-year-old daughter to use racially loaded terms.

The tribunal was told the security firm had previously employed the complainant and her son, but fell out with the son in 2008 prior to the alleged abuse.

"The culture of the CB radio conversations between the parties, witnesses and other users is carried out in an abusive tone with racially vilifying and sexually harassing words and connotations," the tribunal said.

Im Graham Kemp, VK4BB, of the WIA News reporting for the Amateur Radio Newsline.

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You can read more about this interesting court finding on line in the Brisbane Times at tinyurl.com/vk-cb-fine. (WIA News)

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HAM RADIO READING: THE CHINESE CONNECTION - A CQ EDITORIAL

The Chinese Connection is the title of a thought provoking editorial dealing with the emergence of ham radio gear made in China here in the United States marketplace. This at prices considerably lower than similar radios from Japan and other manufacturing nations.

Authored by CQ Magazine editor Rich Moseson, W2VU, the editorial takes a look back in time to when radio gear from Japan first emerged in the domestic U-S marketplace some 40 years ago and eventually lead to the stalwarts of the time such as Hallicrafters, E.F. Johnson, National Radio and others eventually leaving the ham radio marketplace. The article also asks the paradoxical question as to whether this might be happening again and if the Japanese ham radio manufacturing community will adapt to meet this new challenge. It also notes that this is all happening at a time when the domestic U-S ham radio manufacturing industry is making a major comeback.

The Chinese Connection is an excellent read for any ham that has an interest in the economics of the amateur radio supply industry and how it affects them. You will find it on page 8 of the August issue of CQ Magazine. (CQ)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: CELEBRATING THE 80th ANNIVERSARY OF THE MIDLANDS ARS

On the social scene, the United Kingdom's Midland Amateur Radio Society plans to celebrate its 80th anniversary by hold an open house day on September 24th from 10am to 4pm local time. Plans are for displays of historic photographs, QSL cards, the original 1931 minutes books and the awards the ckub has received. There will also be refreshments, an opportunity to meet the groups training staff, and the chance to operate club station GB8OTH. More information on the society, which is based in Birmingham, in the U-K can be found on the club web site at www (dot) radioclubs (dot) net/mars. (GB2RS)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: DR. LARRY PRICE W4RA NAMED ARRL PRESIDENT EMERITUS

Some names in the news. First some words of congratulations to Dr. Larry Price, W4RA, on his being named ARRL President Emeritus.

Dr. Price served as the League's President from 1984 to 1992 and previous to that as a Vice Director, Director and Vice President of the

ARRL Board of Directors. He also served for 10 years as Secretary of the International Amateur Radio Union and another 10 years as that organization's President. In fact, Dr. Price continues to serve the IARU as an expert consultant and has been recognized as President Emeritus by the IARU's Administrative Council.

The naming of W4RA as ARRL President Emeritus was made in celebration of his ongoing dedication to the Amateur Radio Service and in recognition of his 60th anniversary as a radio amateur. (ARRL)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: WD5K BECOMES 5th HAM TO RECEIVE FRED FISH MEMORIAL AWARD

And congratulations also to Thomas Johnson, WD5K, of Dallas, Texas. This for becoming only the fifth radio amateur earning to earn the ARRL Fred Fish Memorial Award.

The Fred Fish Memorial Award was created in honor of the late Fred Fish, W5FF, who was the first amateur to have worked and confirmed all 488 Maidenhead grid squares in the 48 contiguous United States on 6 Meters. The award is given to any amateur who can duplicate this feat. Johnson application was reviewed and approved by ARRL on July 28th. (ARRL)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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RADIO AND SPACE: ACMA EXTENDS RADIO QUIET ZONE TO PROTECT RADIO ASTRONOMY DOWN-UNDER

The Australian Communications and Media Authority has enhanced the radio quiet protections for the Mid West Radio Quiet Zone or RQZ in remote Western Australia. Ewan MacLeod, VK4ERM, of the WIA News is here with the details:

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The RQZ was established in 2005 to provide an environment that protects highly sensitive equipment used for radio astronomy from unwanted radio-communications signals. These arrangements protect the radio telescopes currently in place at the Murchison Radioastronomy Observatory, as well as those proposed in the Australian-New Zealand bid to host the Square Kilometre Array or SKA.

"A clear regulatory framework to support radio quiet arrangements will further assist Australia to create the world's best radio astronomy facility,' said ACMA Chairman, Chris Chapman. `This will provide a platform that should be ideal for future radioastronomy projects, including the $1.5 billion SKA project."

Mr Chapman said the new protection measures provide greater clarity and certainty to the arrangements that protect radioastronomy services in the RQZ.

"The new measures continue to provide for radio quiet while supporting the use of spectrum by other users and placing the lowest feasible burden on industry in the region,' said Mr Chapman. Mr Chapman said the new protection measures will not significantly change the nature of spectrum access and radio quiet arrangements in the Mid West RQZ.

"This will enhance protection for the RQZ by upgrading the existing statements of ACMA administrative practice to more formal regulation," Mr Chapman said.

The introduction of the enhanced protections for the RQZ follows a very extensive consultation process in which the ACMA sought the views of interested stakeholders."

This is Ewan VK4ERM

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The Australian Communications and Media Authority has also released a Response to Submissions paper. It outlines the regulatory agency's rationale behind its decision and the final package of measures it has instituted to protect radio astronomy resources down-under. (WIA News)

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RADIO IN SPACE: MARS ROVER OPPORTUNITY ORDERED BY RADIO TO SPIRIT POINT

NASA's Mars Exploration Rover Opportunity will revisit the rim of Endeavour crater on Mars, where its rover twin Spirit finished its 6-year-long mission in May.

The rover scientific research vehicles had completed their three-month prime missions on Mars in April 2004. Both went on to extended missions and in the process each made important discoveries about the environment on ancient Mars which suggested the possibility for microbial life on the red planet.

Driving commands sent by radio to Opportunity directed the rover to make its final push toward Endeavour crater. This is a 14-mile-wide depression near the Martian equator could be the research vehicle's final destination.

The target for Opportunity is a site on the rim of the Endeavour crater named Spirit Point. It was given that designation by the Mars Rover

Controllers in honor of the Opportunity's lost twin. Opportunity should be at that location and beaming signals back to Earth by the time this newscast goes to air. (NASA, other news reports)

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WORLDBEAT: NEW WSJT EME RECORD CLAIMED

What's believed to be a new digital EME record on 2 meters was set at 20:20 UTC on August 3rd. This when Allan Saul, ZS1LS, in Sunset Beach, South Africa and Jeremy Alexander, W7EME, in operating portable KH6 in Hawaii established a new South African Radio League record of 18,383 Kilometers between the to terrestrial stations.

The contact was established using WSJT during a small window close to moonset in South Africa and only 7 degrees of moonrise in Hawaii. Signal reports varied between minus 26 dB and minus 31 dB below S zero. Signals that would not be audible to the human ear but which are decodable using WSJT. .

For those who never have tried it, WSJT is a digital noise reduction program used for weak-signal radio communication written by Joe Taylor, K1JT. The digital signal processing techniques in WSJT make it substantially easier for radio amateurs to enjoy esoteric propagation modes, such as high speed meteor scatter and moon bounce to name only two. (SARL, Southgate)

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In DX, Bill Moore, N1CL, at the ARRL DXCC desk, the just concluding ST0R operation has been approved for DXCC credit. This means you can file cards for this one via the usual means of accreditation.

TM5SM will be on the air from the Saint Marcouf Islands through August 15th. Operations will use CW, SSB and RTTY on 80 through 10 meters. QSL via F5RJM either direct or via the bureau.

WA8LOW and four other operators will be active stroke KH8 from American Samoa, until the 17th of August. The group is running four high power stations on 160 to 6 meters using all modes. QSL via WA8LOW.

IZ2DPX will be active from stroke CT9 from Madeira Island on all of the High Frequemcy bands and possibly 6 meters. He will be there through August 21st. QSL via bureau or direct to IK2DUW.

Last, but by no means least, EA3PT is operating portable EA6 from Menorca through August 21st. Operation is SSB only holiday style using SSB only on 40 through 10 meters for at least an hour a day. QSL via Logbook of the World or direct via his home call.

(Above from various DX sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: SWEDISH MAN TRIED TO BUILD A NUCLEAR REACTOR IN HIS KITCHEN

And finally this week, from the truth is stranger than fiction file comes the story of a Swedish man who was arrested after trying to split atoms in his kitchen. No, we are not kidding as we hear from Amateur Radio Newsline's producer Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF:

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News reports say that Richard Handl was only doing it as a hobby. Trying to build a nuclear reactor, that is.

In an interview, Handl told the media that he had the radioactive elements radium, americium and uranium in his apartment in southern Sweden. That he said was when police showed up and arrested him on charges of unauthorized possession of nuclear material.

The 31-year-old Handl said he had tried for months to set up a nuclear reactor at home and kept a blog about his experiments. He even described how he created a small meltdown on his stove.

Only later did he realize it might not be legal and sent a question to Sweden's Radiation Authority. That appeared to be his downfall. This is because instead of a response by letter or telephone, his information request was answered by an unexpected visit by the police.

Handl went on to say that he has always been interested in physics and chemistry, adding he just wanted to see if it's possible to split atoms at home. Although he says the police didn't detect dangerous levels of radiation in his apartment, Handl now admits that the project might not have been not such a good idea after all. And if I might editorialize a bit: Neither do we.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the City of Angels.

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The news reports say that the raid on Handl's residence took place in late July, but authorities have refused to comment. If convicted, Handl could face fines or up to two years in prison.

And folks, you just can't make these things up. (GeekNewz, Xydo, others)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

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Before we go, a reminder that this coming September 11th will be the 10th anniversary of the al-Queda backed terrorist attacks on September 11th of 2001. Attacks that felled the two World Trade Center tower buildings in New York City and damaged the Pentagon when radical Moslem extremists high-jacked four United States flag carrier jetliners and crashed them into the two structures and killing over 3000 American citizens.

Over the years there have been several ham radio operations in remembrance of those whose lives were lost in this senseless and wanton carnage. With this being the first decade anniversary of the September 11th, 2001 tragedy, we are trying to compile a list of radio clubs and individuals who are planning any form of ham radio memorial operation to honor those whose lives were lost that day.

Already a group in Pennsylvania and another in New York City are planning on-the-air commemorative operations. If you of any others please drop us an e-mail to newsline at arnewsline dot org and let us know all of the details. We in turn will list as many as we can on our website at www.arnewsline.org starting this week.

Those whose lives were lost on 911 deserve to be remembered. We will do our part by providing web-space to list ham radio commemorative activities. It's up to you to do the rest.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Jim Davis, W2JKD, in Vero Beach, Florida, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 14th August 2011

The news headlines:

* IARU Region 1 Conference webcast

* UK Licence Examinations available at the RSGB Convention in October

* ARISSat-1 Deployed

The International Amateur Radio Union General Conference takes place from 12 to 19 August in Sun City, South Africa and will be streamed live via the internet. To listen to the IARU conference stream you need to have iTunes installed. Here are the instructions for installing and setting up iTunes. Download the latest version of iTunes, which is free, from www.apple.com/uk/itunes. Double-click on the downloaded file to start installation. To prevent iTunes from automatically updating and managing the music on your PC or MAC, un- tick all the options in the Installation Options screen that's shown during the installation. To set up the Stream, run iTunes, open the Advanced drop down menu and select Open Stream and place the following link into the URL field, http://live.datamatix.at:8032/listen.pls and press OK. That's it; the conference will now show as an Internet song and can be played and paused at will. For more information please refer to the iTunes help file.

The RSGB is offering those wishing to obtain a UK amateur radio licence the opportunity to complete one, or more, of the required Radio Communication Examinations over the weekend of the RSGB Convention, 8 to 9 October. Candidates must book their examinations prior to the event and must provide evidence they have completed the required practical assessments. The contact for further information and for booking examinations is the RCE Department at RSGB HQ on 01234 832700. Candidates for the Foundation or Intermediate examinations must also contact Brian Reay, G8OSN by e-mail to g8osn.rsgb@gmail.com or telephone 01634 376316. This is so that their progress on practical assessments can be verified. If required, Brian can also advise on finding a local tutor to complete practical assessments in advance of the Convention. It is essential that Foundation and Intermediate candidates have their progress verified by Brian before the Convention.

The amateur radio satellite ARISSat-1 has been deployed from the International Space Station and its 145.950MHz FM/SSTV and 145.920MHz BPSK signals have been received around the world. The signal levels

from ARISSat-1 should be similar to those expected from the AMSAT-UK FUNcube-1 satellite. The AMSAT-UK team are keen to discover what will be the minimum and best type of antennas for schools to use with a FUNcube Dongle software defined radio. Therefore, user experience with the ARISSat-1 signals will be very valuable in making this determination. To encourage everyone to receive the 145.920MHz BPSK ARISSat-1 telemetry signal, AMSAT-UK are offering a FUN reward for listeners. Check out www.uk.amsat.org for more details.

At the end of today, 14 August, the Early Bird booking discount for the RSGB Convention comes to a close. There is a full programme of lectures on a wide variety of topics from microwave to DXpeditions and antenna design to propagation. On Friday 7 October the Martin Lynch and Sons Buffet Dinner will be accompanied by entertainment and the Saturday DX dinner is being MC'ed by Radio Four presenter Jim Lee, G4AEH. For more information, including booking, take a look at www.rsgb.org/rsgbconvention.

The Northern Ireland HF Conference takes place on Saturday 20 August at the Technology Education Centre, Omagh BT78 1FA. Registration is from 11am and admission is £3. Several speakers have been booked, including Malcolm, GI8AFS speaking on HF Beacons, Paul O'Kane, EI5DI talking about DXpeditions and Logging and the RSGB's Carlos Eavis, G0AKI, speaking about the IOTA programme. More information can be found on the internet at http://wtarc.co.uk/GIHFConference.aspx.

Thailand is the latest country to join the International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend that takes place next weekend, 20 and 21 August. Simon Luttrell, HS0ZIB, will be operating from the Golden Jubilee Lighthouse at Phromthep Cape, Phuket. With just days to go, the organisers have already exceeded previous records of participation. The 48-hour event is not a contest but is plenty of fun. More information on all the stations taking part can be found on the internet at http://illw.net.

Over the last year, Radio Amateurs of Canada has been in discussions with Industry Canada with the objective of obtaining access to the 60m band. Industry Canada has now informed RAC that, at this point, it sees no reason not to respond favourably to the RAC request for frequencies at 60m on a no protection, non-interference basis. If all goes well, Canadian amateurs may expect to gain access to frequencies at 60m some time this autumn.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

Flight Refuelling ARS are holding their annual Hamfest rally today, Sunday 14 August, at the Cobham Sports and Social Club Ground at Merley, near Wimborne , Dorset. BH21 3DA. Gates open to the public at 10am. Talk-in will be on S22.

The Friskney & East Lincolnshire Communications Club Rally and General Car Boot Sale is being held today, Sunday 14 August, in the Friskney

Village Hall, Church Road, Friskney, Lincs. This is approximately 6.5 miles south of Skegness. Doors open from 10am to 4pm and admission is £1.50. Details from Bren, 2E0BDS, on 01754 820 060.

The GI HF Conference takes place on 20 August at the Technology Education Centre, Omagh, BT78 1FA. Registration from 11am. More details from Philip, MI0MSO, e-mail mi0mso@yahoo.co.uk.

The Rugby Princethorpe Annual Radio Rally takes place on 21 August at Princethorpe College, Princethorpe, Rugby CV23 9PX. Doors open from 10am to 4pm and admission is £2. Contact Tony on 07759 684 411.

Now for the news of special events

On 20 August Sutton Coldfield Radio Society will be running a demonstration station at the charity fun mile held at Mile Oak Rovers Recereation Group, Price avenue, Mile Oak, Tamworth from 1 to 5pm. Probably using the club call of GX2RSC, members and non members are welcome. And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

>From until 22 August, MM5AHO and crew will operate maritime mobile from a 10m yacht on Scotland's west coast visiting inaccessible lighthouses. This year prime target destinations are Skerryvore, which is 12 miles off Tiree in the Atlantic, and Dubh Artach (pronounced "doob arr-tack") 15 miles off the isle of Colonsay. Both are rock mounted Stevenson built lights and both are subject to heavy weather. Sixty foot waves have been measured at Dubh Artach, so both operations are strictly weather permitting. In the event of poor weather, a series of lesser, but never-before-activated lighthouses will be visited. Equipment on board comprises an FT-857, running 100W into an antenna formed by the insulated backstay of the yacht's mast, plus two verticals. It is hoped to land on each rock, but radio operations are unsafe ashore so they will be conducted from the boat, anchored as close as is safe.

A group of Worked All Britain members aims to be active from Fair Isle from Tuesday 16 August for a week. Whilst this is not particularly rare from an IOTA viewpoint, being part of the Shetland, EU-102 group, it is in the extremely rare HZ 100km Ordnance Survey square from a WAB perspective. Accommodation has been secured in the South Lighthouse and the stay there will also coincide with International Lighthouse & Lightship Weekend on 20 and 21 August, when it is hoped to also activate the North Lighthouse. They hope to have facilities for all bands from 160m to 2m. The South Lighthouse itself is located in the WAB 10km square HZ16 and is only a few hundred metres from the other three squares, HZ17, HZ26 & HZ27. The transportation of their vehicle to the island has been arranged on the ferry Good Shepherd IV so mobile, as well as portable operation is possible. The group will use the callsign GS4WAB from the South Lighthouse and GS7WAB for other mobile and portable operations. Activity on 5MHz is possible and the callsigns of individual members with NOVs will be used on this band. Operation from other islands in the Shetland group may be possible

prior to and after the week on Fair Isle. Any changes to these plans will be published on the WAB website, www.worked-all-britain.co.uk.

OJ0UR will be on the air from Market Reef from until 20 August. This one counts as EU-053 for the Islands on the Air Award as well as being a separate DXCC entity. QSL Manager is M0URX.

PA/IZ4AMS will stay on Texel Island, which is EU-038, from 14 to 17 August. QSL via IZ4AMS.

PY2XB and PT2OP have landing permission for Balique in the Natural Reserve of Parazinho. They plan to become active as PQ8XB and PQ8OP from 17 to 24 August. QSL PQ8XB via PT7WA either via the bureau or direct and PQ8OP via PT2OP, again either via the bureau or direct.

Now the contest news

Today, 14 August, the 70MHz Cumulative takes place between 1400 and 1600UTC. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

Tuesday 16 August sees the 1.3GHz UK Activity Contest taking place between 1900 and 2130UTC. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator. The Brazilian CVADX Contest CW leg takes place on 20 and 21 August from 2100 to 2100UTC. There are lots of different categories and most points to be gained by working Brazilian stations. Full rules are online at www.craec.info/2010/images/docs_pdf/cvarules.pdf.

And now the solar factual data for the period from the 1st to the 7th of August, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on the 8th of August.

Coronal mass ejections, sudden ionospheric disturbances, polar cap absorption events, proton flares, auroras and coronal mass ejection cannibalism all took place during the period. The three large sunspot groups reported in last week's news continued to rotate across the visible disc. They were large and magnetically complex, just what is needed for strong solar flares. Solar activity was high on the 3rd and the 4th with large M class solar flares taking place, the largest was a M9/2N proton flare early on the 4th. On the quieter days numerous C class solar flares took place. In total five M and over sixty C class solar flares took place. Solar flux levels declined from 125 units on the 1st to 105 by the 7th. The average was 115 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 7th was 96 units, that's one unit up on last week. X-ray flux levels declined slightly and averaged B4.1 units. Geomagnetic activity started at quiet levels but on the 4th the first of three coronal mass ejections arrived, which was barely noticeable, unlike the other two. The coronal mass ejection of the 3rd was well on its way to Earth when the much larger and faster coronal mass ejection from the 4th caught it up and, as a result, a coronal mass ejection cannibalism took place. The most disturbed day was the 5th with an Ap index of 49 units, the most disturbed day so far this year. The average was Ap 15 units. Data from the ACE spacecraft showed solar wind speeds

decline from 710 kilometres per second on the 1st to 340 by the 4th, however, on the 5th speeds had increased to 660 kilometres per second due to the arrival of the CME. Particle densities increased to 36 particles per cubic centimetre on the 5th, otherwise they were low every day. Bz varied between minus 2 and plus 3 nanoTeslas on the quiet days but at the height of the disturbance on the 5th varied between minus and plus 21 nanoTeslas. Also at the height of the storm there were fine visual auroral displays and a radio aurora that spread well to the south on 50, 70 and 144MHz. More unusually, one or two 432MHz contacts were reported from high latitudes.

And now the solar forecast. This week the quiet side of the Sun is expected to be looking our way. Solar activity should be at very low levels most days. There is, though, a slight chance of a C class solar flare taking pace on the occasional day and therefore solar activity would increase to low levels. Solar flux levels should be around the 100 mark or slightly lower for most of the week. Geomagnetic activity could be quiet today but activity is expected to increase due to a recurring coronal hole that could last till almost the weekend. On its last rotation it lasted four days and the highest daily Ap figure was 19 units. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be about 20MHz for the south and 17MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be about 11MHz. Paths this week to Australia should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of about 21MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be around 15MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 0900 and 1200UTC. There should be a long path opening of similar values during the late evening. Sporadic-E is expected on some days with openings now on 144MHz unlikely to take place.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your

transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS On Sunday 14 August Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club is staging its radio rally. Contact Chris, M0MFP, on 01507 442 240.

On Monday 15 August Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society have no meeting as the school is closed for the summer. Apologies to any members who were confused with last week's GB2RS when we inadvertently gave the wrong meeting details. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY on 01452 548478

during the daytime for further details.

On Monday 15 August Lincoln Short-Wave Club is holding a committee meeting. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Monday 15 August South Birmingham Radio Society is having a contest planning meeting. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Monday 15 August Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society is having a CW night. For more information contact Peter D Rivers, G4XEX, on 01858 432 105.

On Tuesday 16 August Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is visiting the Network Rail East Midlands Control Centre in Derby. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 16 August Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is holding an open forum. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Wednesday 17 August Derby RAYNET Amateur Radio Group is having a Walking Fox Hunt. Contact Martin, G7MKS, via email to contactus@derbyraynet.co.uk.

On Wednesday 17 August Lincoln Short-Wave Club is having a formal meeting. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Wednesday 17 August Midland Amateur Radio Society laptop computers evening and training classes. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 01214 229 787.

On Wednesday 17 August Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is planning for Hamfest. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677. On Thursday 18 August Cheltenham Amateur Radio Association invites members to bring something from their shacks. Contact Derek Thom, G3NKS, on 01242 241 099.

On Thursday 18 August Salop Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. Details on the club website at www.salop-ars.org.uk.

On Friday 19 August Coventry Amateur Radio Society is holding the 3rd round of the G4ZMC Trophy at Hartshill Hayes. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

On Friday 19 August South Birmingham Radio Society is having a construction evening. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Friday 19 August Telford & District Amateur Radio Society commences its 6 day DXpedition to Guernsey. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Saturday 20 August Derby & District Amateur Radio Society starts its weekend event operating GB2WHL from Lighthouse UK0062 in conjunction

with Yorkshire Dales Contest Group. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Saturday 20 August Lincoln Short-Wave Club is in the Shack and putting GB2CWP East Kirkby on the air. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Sunday 21 August there is an emergency services event from 10am to 5pm at Thorpe Camp Visitor Centre, Tattershall Thorpe, LN4 4PE. Attractions include representatives from many full time and volunteer emergency services and a visit by the Lincolnshire and Nottinghamshire Air Ambulance between 1 and 2pm. Details from Alan Waddington on 01526 323 013.

On Sunday 21 August South Birmingham Radio Society is visiting the Rugby Radio Rally. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Sunday 21 August Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society is at the Rugby Bring and Buy sale. For more information contact Peter D Rivers, G4XEX, on 01858 432 105.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND On Monday 15 August Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on transmission lines and impedance matching by Zolly Derzsi, M0MBA. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Monday 15 August Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the SARC website by M6KSH. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 15 August Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on vintage wireless by Ted, G3WBB. Details on the web at www.tcars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 16 August Chester & District Amateur Radio Society is closed. Details from Barbara Green on 07957 870 770. On Tuesday 16 August Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is operating /P from Lower Wyke from about 18:45 BST. Participants are invited to bring their own transmitters and aerials although there will be some club equipment available. Contact Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341 317.

On Tuesday 16 August Wakefield & District Radio Society continues its Foundation and Advanced licence courses from 13:30. Details from David, G4CLI, on 07748 221 855.

On Wednesday 17 August Chorley and District ARS is starting Morse classes for anybody that wants to learn Morse code. Details from Nessie, M0NES, by e-mail to nessie68@hotmail.com

On Wednesday 17 August Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is holding a committee meeting. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Thursday 18 August Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air and having a club night. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 07876 085

631.

On Thursday 18 August South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having a 2m DF Report by Peter, G0BHP and Bill, G4SVR. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Thursday 18 August Wakefield & District Radio Society is on the air, holding a committee meeting and celebrating the birthday of Ken, 2E0SSQ. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563 117.

On Friday 19 August Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is going on a river cruise with STARS club, arriving at 6.30pm for boarding at 7. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Friday 19 August East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is having a radio magazines evening. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Friday 19 August Tynemouth Amateur Radio Club is having a briefing for International Lighthouse weekend. Contact Bob, M6KLO, by email to mail@g0nwm.com.

On Saturday 20 August Tynemouth Amateur Radio Club is taking part in International Lighthouse Weekend from St Mary's Island. Contact Bob, M6KLO, by email to mail@g0nwm.com.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND No news items have been received for Northern Ireland this week.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday 16 August Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club evening. Details from Norman, on 07740 946 192.

On Thursday 18 August Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is preparing for Lighthouse weekend. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663. On Saturday 20 August Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society commences its weekend event for International Lighthouse Weekend at Walker Park. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663.

On Saturday 20 August Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club commences its weekend event for Lighthouse Weekend, operating GB2LBN at Barns Ness. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA On Sunday 14 August Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is spending the afternoon operating CW as GB100MWT from the Marconi Hut, Sandford Mill. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Monday 15 August Braintree & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a rig clinic. For more information contact John, M5AJB, on 01787 460 947.

On Monday 15 August Burnham Beeches Radio Club is on the air. Contact Dave, G4XDU, on 01628 625 720.

On Monday 15 August Surrey Radio Contact Club is having an SDR update by Martin, G3OQD. Contact John, G3MCX, on 02086 883 322.

On Tuesday 16 August Bedford and District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on amateur radio in New Zealand by John, 2E0XZL. Details from Bob Leask, G3XNG, by email to g4ceo@talk21.com.

On Tuesday 16 August Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Tuesday 16 August Bromley & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a natter evening and barbecue. Details from Andy, G4WGZ, on 01689 878 089.

On Tuesday 16 August Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is having a club net night. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Tuesday 16 August Verulam Amateur Radio Club is having a barbecue social from 8pm at Aboyne Lodge School. Details from Tony, 2EOWAP, on 01727 853 087.

On Wednesday 17 August Bury St Edmonds Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by Cliff Fullam on the history of Rougham airfield and the 94th Bomb Group stationed there. Details from George Woods, G3LPT on 01359 259 518.

On Wednesday 17 August Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by Terry, G0VFW, about his shack. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday 17 August Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on HPSDR by John, G0ORX / N6LY. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816 684.

On Thursday 18 August Colchester Radio Amateurs is having a talk on four metres by Kevan, 2E0WMG. More information from Kevan, 2E0WMG, on 07766 543 784. On Thursday 18 August Cray Valley Radio Society is on the air and having a natter night. Details from Bob, M0MCV, on 02082 657 735 after 8pm.

On Thursday 18 August Horndean & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by Andrew Perrin on the history of Purbrook and Widley. Contact Stuart, G0FYX, on 02392 472 846.

On Thursday 18 August Horsham Amateur Radio Club is having a social evening at the Sussex Oak, Warnham RH12 3QW. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk.

On Thursday 18 August Sutton & Cheam Radio Society is having a talk on 3D TV by Mike Cox. More information from John, G0BWV, on 02086 449 945.

On Friday 19 August Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a boules evening at the Crown public house Newick. Contact Peter, G4AKG, on 01444 239 371.

On Friday 19 August Southgate Amateur Radio Club is holding a barbecue. Contact David Sharp, M0XDS, by email to david.sharp1@tesco.net.

On Friday 19 August Wey Valley Amateur Radio Group is having a club night. Details on the web at www.weyvalleyarg.org.uk.

On Saturday 20 August Bittern DX Group commences its weekend event operating GB2BML at Blakeney Mariners' Light for ILLW. Details from Linda, G0AJJ, on 01692 404 154.

On Saturday 20 August Hastings Electronics and Radio Club is holding an auction of used & surplus equipment at Holy Redeemer Church Hall, Upper Church Road. Doors open 9am for Auction at 10.15am. Details from Gordon, on 01424 431 909.

On Saturday 20 August Norfolk Amateur Radio Club commences its weekend event for International Lighthouses on the Air. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Saturday 20 August Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club starts its weekend activation of Shoreham lighthouse for Lighthouse weekend. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816 684.

On Sunday 21 August Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is operating SSB using GB100MWT from the Marconi Hut, Sandford Mill. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST On Sunday 14 August Blackmoor Vale Amateur Radio Society is at the FRARS Rally. Contact Tony, G0GFL, on 01258 860 741.

On Monday 15 August Appledore & District Amateur Radio Club is having a summer solstice natter night. Contact Brian Jewell, M0BRB, on 01237 473 251 for more information.

On Tuesday 16 August Blackmoor Vale Amateur Radio Society is setting up for the Gillingham & Shaftesbury Show. Contact Tony, G0GFL, on 01258 860 741. On Tuesday 16 August West Devon Radio Club is having a homebrew construction and QRP evening. Further information from Jules Cuddy, M1AGY, on 01752 291 588.

On Wednesday 17 August Blackmoor Vale Amateur Radio Society is at the Gillingham & Shaftesbury Show. Contact Tony, G0GFL, on 01258 860 741.

On Wednesday 17 August Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is having a video night. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Wednesday 17 August Trowbridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having a presentation entitled 60 Days to Christmas Island, T32C, by Tony Bettley. Details from Ian, G0GRI, on 01225 864 698, evenings and weekends.

On Thursday 18 August Cornish Radio Amateur Club is having a workshop evening. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844 939.

On Thursday 18 August South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is holding its summer darts match. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

On Thursday 18 August Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having an activity night. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Thursday 18 August Yeovil Amateur Radio Club How is having a talk by G7LNJ on how rotary converters work. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk.

On Friday 19 August North Bristol Amateur Radio Club is on the air. More information from Dick on 01454 218 362.

On Friday 19 August Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES On Monday 15 August Dragon Amateur Radio Club is planning for SSB Field Day and having a general chat. More information from Stewart Rolfe, GW0ETF, on 07833 620 733.

On Tuesday 16 August Wrexham Amateur Radio Society is having a DVD night. More information from Patrick, 2W0HUU, on 07947 701 927.

750. SOUTH INDIAN HOT ACTRESS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-13 00:08:26 UTC
From: SAMARA <jaidatta9247@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <558e3bab-20c3-4f3a-942d-e259a84e3d39@y8g2000prd.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4440

HOT SOUTH ACTRESS IN DIFFERENT DRESSES
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/08/south-actress.html
NAYANTHARA HOT PHOTOS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/08/nayanthara.html
LATEST HOT TAPSEE KISSING STILLS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/06/tapsee.html
KAJAL AGARWAL ROMANTIC STILLS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/05/kajal-agarwal.html
TAMANNA BEAUTIFUL PHOTOS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/05/tamanna.html
ANUSHKA SHETTY HOT SAREE STILLS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/06/anushka-shetty.html
SNEHA RARE PHOTOS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/05/sneha.html
NAMITHA HOT NAVEL SHOW
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/05/namitha.html
ILIYANA HOT WALLPAPERS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/05/iliyana.html
PRIYAMANI LATEST SPICY PHOTOS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/05/priyamani.html

FOR FAST UPDATES IN TELUGU FILM INDUSTRY
TAMIL ACTRESS HOT SEXY PHOTO SHOOT
http://allyouwants.blogspot.com/2011/08/tamil-actress.html
SOUTH INDIAN HOT ACTRESS PICS
http://allyouwants.blogspot.com/2011/08/hot-actress.html
DEEPIKA PADUKONE IN DUM MARO DUM MOVIE
http://allyouwants.blogspot.com/2011/08/deepika-in-dum-maro-dum.html
PRIYAMANI SPICY PHOTOS IN COW GIRL
http://allyouwants.blogspot.com/2011/02/priyamani-spicy-photo-shoot-cow-girl.html
KAJAL HOT PHOTOS IN SAREE
http://allyouwants.blogspot.com/2011/06/kajal-very-spice-pics.html

751. Re: Lifetime credit for exams. (was: Re: FCC Daily Digest 07/29/2011)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-13 05:43:50 UTC
From: kb9rqz <morkk.morgan@chemist.com>
Message-ID: <a44fd7d8-5c10-4a49-9ffb-cb8f8a732480@s20g2000yqc.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4441
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,comp.os.os2.advocacy,ba.broadcast,rec.radio.amateur.policy,alt.usenet.kooks

>>>On Aug 1, 4:19 pm, Dick Head AC7EL <kb9rqz@richbonnie.com> wrote:
>> On 12 Jul 2011 1:23:50 PDT, Good-Head@KB9RQZ.cum wrote:
>> http://sales.kb9rqz.com
> >> This docket requests that the FCC change its rules to permit someone
>> whose license has expired beyond the 2-year grace period be allowed to
>> regain the same class of license without taking the exams again,
>> provided that the former licensee presents proof of the past license
>> and proof of identity.
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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-13 15:32:22 UTC
From: Ras Mikaere Enoch Mc Carty <mikaere@live.com>
Message-ID: <b35e4270-50d4-46ac-ac4d-4c12d1a1dfaf@b34g2000prf.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4442
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,comp.os.os2.advocacy,ba.broadcast,rec.radio.amateur.policy,alt.usenet.kooks

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> - Show quoted text -

Bozo, you were born Jay Smilkstein, here is your
hideous gruesome ugly picture :
http://www.hfunderground.com/wiki/Bozo

"Bozo <Jay Smilkstein> De Niro!!!..."
http://www.coloneljake.com/BAM1BAM/BDN00/

NEW MOVIE AUDIO TRAILER FOR:
WATER FOR REPUBLICAN ELEPHANTS
----------> http://www.exorcist.org.nz/bozo_wild_jew.wav

JEWS = RATS
VERMIN = JEWS
http://www.exorcist.org.nz/jew_rats.wav

Bozo The Jew !

* Promotes Sorcery (Babylon) That Is In Clear Contradiction
To The Teachings Of The Old Testament

* Promotes Child-Adult Sex, Which Is Clearly Satanic
http://www.exorcist.org.nz/music_mafias.html
* Promotes Ever Form Of Filthy Talk, Behaviour, And Actions,
Again I Point Out That It Is Direct Contradiction To The
Teachings Of The Old Testament
* Promotes Jewry (Judaism) Judaic Talmud (Torah \ Kabbalah)
Where The Talmud Is Actually Called By The Jews:
The Babylon Talmud !
* Promotes Pride In The Fact That The Jews Were Going Around
In Circles For 40 Years In The Desert. 40 Years Circling Around
And Around -- Is That Complete Stupidity Or What ?
Finally Discovering "Zion" (Israel \ Judah), Yet Have Now, As
Jews, Hi-Jacked The Entire Hebrew Race Into Clearly Satanic
Babylon Teaching, Babylon Sorcery, Babylon Pedophilia
* Bozo de Nero (Jay Smilkstein) Is Actually A Babylonian,
Which Is In All Actuality Been Labelled As:
"worse than a nigger"
* Jay Smilkstein Like Lucifer Is So Ugly. Lucifer Was Created
As Beutiful (scriptural fact), However Now Has Turned Into
A Hideous Ugly Creature, Of Which The Smilkstein Spawn
Shows Their DNA "Beauty" Which Is Clearly Evolved Ugly
Hideous Flesh.
* Jay Smilkstein (Jew) Is A Babylonian !
'Babylonian Talmud'
* Bozo de Nero (Jay Smilkstein) Is Clue-Less To These Facts
And Thus As *Confused* (Confusion = definition of Babel),
As Nimrod Himself !
* It Is Quite Obvious To Students Of Demonology (Myself) That
Jay Smilkstein (Bozo de Nero) Is Clearly Possessed. I Highly
Speculate That Jay Smilkstein Also Hears Voices, Just As Do
Multitude Of Other Individuals In Today's Society -- For That
Is A Manifestation That Needs Further Study -- The Recent
Increase In People Who Hear Voices !
* Bozo de Nero Is Destined For The Flames Of Hell, I Do Think
That His Seed (DNA) Is Beyond Salvation !
For Curses Do Run Into The 4th Generation At Least
(scriptural warning- fact)
* Hebrews Are Blessed - Jews Are Satanic !
* Go Away Jay Gay Smilkstein, Your Anal Fetish Desires Are
Tantamount To Being Always Labelled A Sick Feces Freak
Of Outstanding Vulgarity On The World Stage !

http://www.exorcist.org.nz/music_mafias.html

* Just Up-Dated !
w/ New Photo Of KFJC 89.7 FM Fundraising Event
w/ New Audio-Mix Attached To Web-Page (longer)

KFJC 89.7 FM <--- You Always Choose To Be Satanic !

753. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-13 18:44:55 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <56279198-aa07-46c3-937e-b8fab6b1c335@y16g2000yqh.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4444

On Aug 12, 8:08 pm, SAMARA <jaidatta9...@gmail.com> wrote:
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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-13 18:46:31 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <b32914f8-6f55-4f3c-88a8-603d16f39f2a@en1g2000vbb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4443
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,comp.os.os2.advocacy,ba.broadcast,rec.radio.amateur.policy,alt.usenet.kooks

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755. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 14th August 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-14 20:00:14 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20110814200004.6373533C99@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4445
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 14th August 2011

IRTS 2 Metres Counties Contest

The IRTS 2m Counties Contest will take place Sunday 28th August 2011. The closing date for the submission of the log to the contest manager is 27th September 2011.

South Sudan DXpedition

The first DXpedition to South Sudan went QRT during the week, having made over 120,000 QSOs on all bands from 6 metres to 160 metres.

The DXpedition call sign was ST0R [Sierra-Tango-Zero-Romeo] and its log shows 279 QSOs with EI stations. John EI7BA tops the list, with 21 QSOs, covering all the bands used by ST0R, followed closely by Doug EI2CN with 20 QSOs. Both John and Doug managed QSOs on 160 metres, a fine achievement given that ST0R had less than 700 QSOs on that band, due to various problems with antennas, not to mention propagation and atmospherics.

CASHOTA

CASHOTA will be holding a UK & Ireland Heritage event over the month of September 2011 to coincide with European Heritage Month. This is an opportunity to access locations which may previously have been closed to the public or inaccessible. The different regions have set different dates, so for more information go to www.cashota-ireland.org where all of the information regarding Irish Castles and their activation and numbers may be found.

The dates have been set for CASHOTA's annual Castles weekend in 2012. The event will be held over 2 weekends on the 18th - 19th May 2012 and the 25th - 26th May 2012. We would like to invite both last year's participants and any new persons to apply to be an award station. The award is open to any individual, groups or clubs who wish to chase castles or activatethem.

CASHOTA in Ireland is co-ordinated by CASHOTA-IRELAND and to obtain a CASHOTA designator for a Castle in Ireland please contact Steve EI5DD

via "ei5dd \dot\ steve \at\ gmail \dot\ com"

Limerick Radio Club

Members of Limerick Radio Club will activate Tarbert Island Lighthouse IE0002 using the callsign EI4LRC/P for the International Lighthouse weekend 20/21 August. Activity will be on SSB & CW

GI HF Conference

The West Tyrone Amateur Radio Club is holding a HF Conference on Saturday 20th August 2011. This Conference comes following the very successful DigiCon 09 Conference back in September 2009. A range of speakers from around GI, EI and G will be in attendance to share their various perspectives on aspects of HF operation. There will also be in attendance Traders such as, Tyrone Amateur Electronics (TAE) along with exhibits from the RSGB and the IRTS. The Event is supported by Practical Wireless, TAE, JBT, IRTS and RSGB. So come along for what will be a Fun Day Out for all the family. The town of Omagh has a range of top class shopping along with a wide range of other tourist attractions http://www.omagh.gov.uk/culture_leisure_and_tourism/ We look forward to seeing you there. For details of the Venue etc go to http://wtarc.co.uk/GIHFConference.aspx

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North Cork Radio Group

The North Cork Radio Group is pleased to announce their second annual rally and electronics fair at the Blarney Golf Resort, Tower, Co Cork. on Sunday September the 11th 2011.

The doors open to the public at 11.30 and the rally will run throughout the afternoon. The usual traders will be on hand with some very tasty bargains, South East Communications, Long Communications and JBT Trading.

The Hotel are also offering room deals for the rally a Room Only from 59 and Double Room inc B&B: 79 Please Contact the hotel directly for room bookings on Tel:+353 21 4384477.www.blarneygolfresort.com

Small traders are very welcome but it essential that they contact the events organiser Liam EI7GTB, Tel: 086-3357100 Email:ei7gtb/ at /gmail/ dot/com as soon as possible.

Further details can be found via the group's website, www.ei1nc.com.com

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Cork Radio Club

Cork Radio Club will meet on Monday August 15th at 8 p.m. at the Community Centre in Carrigtwohill. New members and visitors will be

very welcome. Final details of the Club's Summer social will be discussed. This barbeque will be held at the Brook Inn in Glanmire on Sunday August 21st starting at 4 p.m. This will a family event and again visitors will be very welcome.

The clubs planned trip to the Old Head of Kinsale for International Lighthouse weekend will not now go ahead due to a late double booking by another club.

The next group activity will be a trip to Garbally College in Ballinasloe for the SSB Field Day on the first weekend of September.

Enquiries to Dave EI9FBB at 083-3317940.

Shannon Basin Radio Club

Once again the Shannon Basin Radio Club will be hosting the SSB field day on the weekend of 3rd and 4th September 2011. The grounds of Garbally College in Ballinasloe in Co. Galway have again been made available to any clubs or individual operators who wish to take part in the event. The club will also be hosting its very popular barbeque which is one of the highlights of the weekend. Anybody wishing to receive more information may contact Brian ei8iu by email "brianei8iu/ at / eircom dot /net or any club member.

DX News

Mike VE2XB will be QRV as FP/VE2XB from the St. Pierre and Miquelon Islands from now until 21 August. Activity will be on all bands with emphasis on 6m. For the IOTA Award the reference is NA-032. QSLs go via the home call.

A number of operators from South Korea and Japan will operate from the South Korean island of Cheju from 19-26 August using the callsign D9A. This is in connection with the 20th Asian Conference on Intellectual Disabilities. This one counts as AS-026 for IOTA and the QSL Manager is DS4EOI.

Peter EI7CC is returning to Lesotho for a short holiday from 18- 30 August and will be active again as 7P8PB. He hopes to upload his logs to Logbook of the World on a daily basis. As with his previous visit to Lesotho he will be operating from the shack of Gerry 7P8CC better known to us as EI8CC. It is hoped that many EI/GI stations will make it into the log.

German operators DH2AK and DL1THM will be active as PJ2/DH2AK and PJ2/DL1THM from the island of Curacao from 21 August to 8 September. They will be using an IC-7000 and buddipole and operating holiday style.

A special event station with the callsign UE90K will be active till the end of August from the Komi Republic in Russia. The station will operate from different districts and will be of interest to those chasing the Russian District Award.

For the Rugby enthusiasts look out for ZL4RUGBY operated by ZL4PW from 19 August until 31 October. This is to celebrate the 2011 Rugby World Cup being played in New Zealand.

ARISSat-1 and EI

The ARISSat-1/KEDR amateur radio satailte was launched on Wed 3rd August. Among its contents are entries from schools of students' science experiments. One EI school, Gaelchol�iste na Mara, Arklow Co. Wicklow had the work of 6 students accepted. They include experiments on Ohms Law, Magnetic field, Acid & Base neutralisation, Dissolved Solids, & Periscopes. The students' work was under the guidance of their science teacher, P�draig EI7GK. Other schools accepted were in USA, Canada, U.K. Australia Switzerland & Portugal. Being a Gaelchol�iste the work is presented as Gaeilge with an English Translation. The work can be seen at www.ariss-eu.org/arissat-1.htm There are links to each student's work.

Unlicensed broadcasting now illegal in New York State

Governor Andrew Cuomo has signed legislation making the operation of an AM or FM radio station without a license illegal in the state of New York. Violations will be treated as a "Class A" misdemeanour. The new law gives local law enforcement an important tool to protect consumers and stem the tide of illegal radio operation in New York. USA.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

756. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1023

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-14 21:36:11 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <818313.87206.qm@smtp102.sbc.mail.ne1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 4446
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1023
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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 7th-August, through Sunday, 14th-August there were 211 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5V, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, CE, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HK0/a, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH2, KH6, KH8, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, ST0, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T32, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TL, TT, TU, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V8, VE, VK, VP8, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

2 METER DXCC ACHIEVEMENT. Lee, ZL2AL, reports that Bob McQuarrie, ZL3TY, has just achieved the first and only 2 Meter DXCC in ZL and the Oceania region. Only 62 2M DXCCs have ever been awarded world-wide, so it is an amazing achievement to confirm 102 countries on this band from this part of the world. Lee had the pleasure of checking Bob's cards before sub-

mission and was astounded to see so many rare QSLs from AF and EU.

3D2R, ROTUMA. Excerpts from a press release from Acim, YT3W, informs OPDX that "a team of experienced amateurs and friends prepared a serious amateur expedition to the far island Rotuma, which belongs to the state Fiji". Their goal is to activate the beautiful island of Rotuma on all amateur frequencies from 1.8 MHz to 144 MHz and all amateur modes. Their team will operate on CW, SSB, FM, RTTY, SSTV, PSK, etc... Operators mentioned are: Hrane/YT1AD, David/K3LP, Krassimir/K1LZ, Aleksej/UA4HOX, Atilano/PY5EG, David/WD5COV, Vangelis/SV2BFN, Joe/AA4NN, Paul/N6PSE, Vel/YT3WW, Victor/UA4HBW, Victor/RU4SU, Chuck/JT1CO, Badruun/JT1DO, Danail/LZ1VVV, Choi/HL5FUA, Vasily/RW4NW and Acim/YT3W. They have the landing permit and the amateur radio license for the callsign 3D2R. The team of experienced amateur and friends will gather in Fiji on September 24th, and expect a departure from the port of Suva on the 25th of September around noon. The journey takes 36 hours. They expect the first activity on the amateur radio frequencies on September 27th, and will be active the next 10 days. Return to Fiji is expected on October 8th, in the morning. QSL via YT1AD, direct or by the Bureau.

7P, LESOTHO. Peter, EI7CC, will once again be active as 7P8PB from Lesotho between August 18-30th. Activity will be limited because he will be on a family holiday and will operate when circumstances permit. QSL via EI7CC, by the Bureau or direct. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW immediately upon his return to Ireland. If possible, Peter may try to upload them while in Lesotho.

9H, MALTA. Jasper, PB2JJ, will once again be active as 9H3JN from Maseru, Malta (EU-023), between September 2-14th. Activity will take place during the 24th "VRZA Malta Expedition" organized by the Dutch Society of Radio Amateurs (VRZA). Operations will be on 80-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via PB2JJ by the Bureau. Online log will be available at: http://members.casema.nl/pb2jj/9h3jn

A2, BOTSWANA. Gert, ZS6AYU, will be active as A25/ZS6AYU from Jwaneng between September 9-11th. Activity will probably be on 40-10 meters including the 17/12 meters using CW only. QSL via ZS6AYU (see QRZ.com).

A3, TONGO. Craig, KI0SO, has been active as A35CT from Lifuka Island in the Ha'apai IOTA group (OC-169, Grid Loc. AH20te). Activity will be on 20-6 meters mostly SSB. He is using an Elecraft K3 and a Yaesu FT-450 into Force-12 C-3 antenna and an M2 6m antenna operating mostly 10 watts. He has been heard on 20 meters SSB between 0830-1030z. The length of his activity is unknown. QSL via KI0SO CBA (probably a lengthy delay in response).

CW, URUGUAY (Lighthouse Op). Members of the "Radio Club Uruguayo" will be active as CW1R, the special event callsign for the Punta del Este Lighthouse (ARLHS URU-008, ILLW UY0005, Grid Loc. GF25ma), during the upcoming International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend (August 19-21st). Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes with at least two stations on the air. QSLs for this activity is via

Bureau or direct to: Radio Club Uruguayo, P.O.Box 37, 11000, Montevideo, URUGUAY, SOUTH AMERICA, with a SAE and 1 new IRC or 2 green stamps.

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports "In accordance with Minute 29 of the July 2011 ARRL Board of Directors meeting, the DXCC award for RTTY is now changed to Digital. Digital will now replace RTTY on these certificates effective July 25, 2011."

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS. Andy/AB7FS (E51AND, ZK1AND and ZK2AND) and his XYL Kathy/KB7SCH (ZK1SCH) will once again return to Arorangi Beach on Rarotonga Island (OC-013) between August 15th and September 3rd, and December 19-31st. Andy will be active as E51AND. As a member of the Straight Key Century Club (SKCC #7723), he plans to operate straight key CW at or around 14050 kHz, and he will be looking especially for SKCC members. Andy states, "This is NOT a DXpedition - just a vaction with some hamming -- so frenetic issuing of signal reports will be a low priority :-) though I'll try to make contact with those who want them. I often check into the ANZA net which meets at 0515z daily at 14183 kHz -- so that's a good place to find me for a sked or to QSY down to the CW part of the band --- or you can try E-mailing me - we'll have limited connectivity but I'll check at least every second day...and..... band conditions are MUCH improved from last December." QSL via AB7FS. Andy's E-mail address is: Kiaorana@minetfiber.com

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS. Ron, ZL1AAO, will once again be active from Rarotonga Island (IOTA OC-013), South Cook Islands, beginning August 19th, for 10 days. He will sign as E51AAO. Activity will be holiday style, and he will be operational on SSB only, 40-10 meters, using 100w to a dipole or 1/4 wave GP antennas. QSL via LoTW, eQSL and direct only; sorry no Bureau cards. He will upload the log when he returns home.

HP, PANAMA (Lighthouse Op). Members of the "Radio Club de Panama" will be active as HP2TP from Toro Point Lighthouse (PAN-021, Grid Loc. FJ09ai) during International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend (ILLW), August 20-21st. Activity will be on CW and SSB. QSL via HP1RCP. ADDED NOTE: Toro Point Lighthouse was built by the French in 1894 and designed by Gustav Eiffel and was called Pointe le Taureau. Today it still marking the Northside entrance of the PANAMA CANAL in the Atlantic side of the Isthmus of PANAMA.

IOTA NEWS.....
AF-040. By the time you read this, Simon, IZ7ATN, will be active as 5Z4/IZ7ATN/p from Lamu Island until August 15th. Activity will be on SSB only. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

AF-068. (Update). Operators Ruggero/IK2PZC (5C2P), Leo/I8LWL (5C2L), Fred/IK7JWX (5C2J), Simon/IZ7ATN (5C2SG), Ampelio/IS0AGY (5C2B), Mounaim/CN8QY and Belkaid/CN8QX will be active from Herne Island between September 22-29th. Activity will be on all HF bands and modes and 6 meters.

EU-020. Hans, DK3PZ, will be active as SM1/DK3PZ from Gotland Island (WLOTA 2969) between now and August 20th. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct.

OC-223. Members of the Hellenic Amateur Radio Association of Australia (HARAOA) will be active as VK2CL from Montague Island's light-house (ILLW AU0071, Grid QF53CR) during the 2011 International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend (August 19-22nd). Operators mentioned are Tom/VK2IR, Raffy/VK2RF, Binu/VK2BNG, Al/VK2VEC and possibly others. QSL via VK2IR. Visit the HARAOA Web page at: http://www.haraoa.com

SA-045. (Update) A press release by Fred, PY2XB, states that the Brazilian team will start their trip to Macapa, capital city of Amapa State, on Sunday, May 14th, to head towards Parazinho Island in the Balilique archipelago to activate it. Fred/PY2XB and Orlando/PT2OP will use PQ8XB and PQ8OP callsigns, respec-tively, between August 17-25th. They plan to be active on 40-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. The island is located in the mouth of the Amazon River where it encounters the sea. Life in this region is governed by tides; and therefore, dates and boat schedules are tide dependent. They will stay at the Parazinho Environmental Reserve. There are links for 2 shorts videos about the reserve at: http://www.qrz.com/db/pq8xb
Logistics are complicated to accomplish their task. Orlando had to fly to Macapa a few months ago to check all priors before their departure. They will carry fuel, food, water, batteries, a spare generator, etc... in a 12 hours boat trip from Macapa to Vila Progresso, a fishermen village, plus a 30-40 minutes small boat trip to the Reserve, all tide de-pendent. There are very few operators in PQ8 land, so they will be glad to give everyone a first contact to this rare Brazilian spot and callsign. Contacts will be valid for IOTA, DIB, DFB, WLOTA and ARLHS awards. When returning home, they will stop over in Macapa for a couple of days. They may activate S�o Jos� de Macap� fortress using their callsigns /PQ8, if possible. QSLs for PQ8XB will be handled by PT7WA and for PQ8OP by PT2OP. Additional information when available will be posted at: http://www.qrz.com/db/pq8xb
Fred states, "We would like to thank everyone who helped us to put this operation together. Special thanks to Mr. Manoel Reinaldo from Amapa Environmental Office, Policarpo/PY8JPS, and Sandro/PQ8SL, Luciano/PT7WA, and Ed/PY4WAS and Alex/PY2WAS."

KH5, JARVIS ISLAND (Update to OPDX.974.1). It was reported this week - "Due to a scheduling conflict with the Braveheart, the Jarvis DXpedition has been postponed to 2012 November-December." For updates, visit the N3E Web page at: http://dxinsight.org/expeditions/current/news.php?dxid=
KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (August 15-21st)....
Aug 15 HN SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS
Aug 16 HN ----------

Aug 17 HN BN - Below Normal
Aug 18 HN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Aug 19 HN LN - Low Normal
Aug 20 AN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Aug 21 HN DIS - Disturbed
VDIS - Very Disturbed

GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

OJ, MARKET REEF (Update/Reminder). Just a reminder that the "United Radio DX Team" will be active from Market Reef between now and August 20th. Operators Max/ON5UR, Marc/ON8AK, Jelmer/PA5R and Dervin/PD9DX will be active as OJ0UR from Market Reef (IOTA EU-053, ARLHS MAR-001, TWLHD WLH OJ0-001, WLOTA LH-0542 and Admiralty C4472). Activity will be on the HF bands using a Stepp-IR Big Vertical and a Stepp-IR 2 element beam. QSL via M0URX, direct (w/SAE plus 1 IRC/2 USDs), by the Bureau, or LoTW. Alternatively, QSLs may be requested using M0URX's OQRS form at:
http://www.m0urx.com/qsl-request-form
For more info, visit their Web page at:
http://www.united-radio.be/index.php

P2, PAPUA GUINEA. Renzo, I2KRR, a volunteering technical support person to the Catholic mission in Vanimo, on the north coast of the main island, will be active as P29FR in Papua New Guinea (PNG) until March 2012. Activity will be on 40/20/15 meters SSB. Operations will be limited to the local evenings, plus Saturday and Sunday afternoons. QSL via I2RFJ, direct or by by the Bureau. PLEASE no IRCs. For more details about P29FR, see QRZ.com.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated August 14th)

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3V/9A1MB via 9A1MB HS0ZEX via DL9MDZ PA2011DYK via
PA3RGH
4J8VHF via RW6HS (direct) IC8L via IZ8EGM PF29CAVENTE via
PA7HPH
4O/YU1EA via YU1EA IG9/IZ0FYL via IZ0FYL PJ7/AF6WU via AF6WU
5B/RV1AW via RU1AE IH9/I0KLV via I0KLV R10RTRS/0 via R7AA
5Z4/IZ7ATN/P via IZ7ATN II1L via IQ1GE RA/JA8BMK via
JA8BMK
9A/DL9BBE/P via DL9BBE II4LXV via IZ4OUL RI1FJA via RX3MM
9A/IZ2OAR via IZ2OAR IM0/I2KQE via I2KQE SM/PE1BTV via
PE1BTV
9A/OK1DSM via OK1DSM IR1DCI/P via IK1QFM SM1/DK3PZ via DK3PZ
9A/S51JS via S51JS IS0/IW1RGS via IW1RGS SN9Y via SP9UOP

9A/SQ6NLN via SQ6NLN J8/PE1IGM via PA3C SQ8SET via SP8WQX
A61K via EA7FTR J48AL via DM3CW SV8/DM3CW via DM3CW
A71CT via EA7FTR JW/OE9SDV via OE9SDV TC2X via OH2BH
CO8LY via EA7ADH (direct) KH2/N2NL via W2YC TF/G4ODA via G4ODA
CP6/DF9GR via DF9GR KH6/OE6MBG via OE6MBG or NR1R (Bureau)
CT9/IZ2DPX via IZ2DPX LU/IW1FC via IZ1MLQ TK/DL2RMC via
DL2RMC
CW5W via CX6VM (direct) LY/RU5A via RU5A TK/F5OZF via F5OZF
DL/HB9AGO/P via HB9AGO LY2011USCARS via ES2TT TK/F5RXL via F5RXL
EA9/EC7DZZ via EC7DZZ LZ/HA0HW via HA0HW TK/IZ5NFD via
IZ5NFD
ED4FXF via EA4FXF MJ0CTR via M0CTR TM0COL via F6FMT
EN1IFF via UR3IBV N0B via N7UN TM5SM via F5RJM
EO18IKF via US6IKF N6L via K6LSN TM89YON via F5KCC
EO60RUL via UZ9RR OE/DJ5RE/P via DJ5RE TY1KS via IZ7KHR
HB0/DJ9CB via DJ9CB OH0/WS4T via WS4T UA1PBA/0 via RK1PWA
HB0/HB3YDL via HB3YDL OH5/DG2SBL/P via DG2SBL UP1ASTR via UN0GL
HB0/PA3FYG/P via PA3FYG OJ0UR via M0URX W2T via N2OO
HI3/KB2MS via KB2MS ON18CS via ON4RSX YB0ECT via W2FB
HI3/W1JNZ via W1JNZ OZ/AL3T via DL7ET YE50S via YF0JZS
YP2WFF via YO2MAB
(Bureau)
ZP6VLA via EA5KB

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 4O3A, D2SG, FJ/OS1T, J7A, J45K, JT1DX, R1MVA, R1MVI, SV9CVY, V47KP, V48M, VK9HR, VK9LA, VP6BR, YJ0HA, Z2/UA4WHX, Z21BB, ZD8D, ZP6CW and ZS8MI

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3D2A, 5N6/YL2SW, 5Z4KI, 8R1AK/P, 9H4JX, 9H5PF, 9Y4D, C6AGU, CN8SG, CO2WF, FJ/OH2YL, HA5JI, HK4CZE, LA4UOA, LY2SA, PJ2/N0VD, S21YZ, SV2ASP/A, TE8X, UK8UWG, VK9NN, YB0AKM, YL2UZ, YU3AA, YW5M and ZD7XF

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: NONE REPORTED THIS WEEK!

RI1, FRANZ JOSEF LAND. Victor, RI1FJL (ex-R1FJM, UA3ME), will be the new replacement for the August 2011- September 2012 research season at Kheysa Island in the Franz Josef Land Island group (EU-019). Victor replaces Eugeny, RI1FJ (ex-R1FJT, UA4RX), who left FJL on August 9th, onboard the "MV Somov". QSL RIFJL via RX3MM only direct (see QRZ.com for details). By the way, RX3MM is also the QSL Manager for Andrey, RI1FJA, (also on Kheysa Island).

S7, SEYCHELLES. Sam, DL5RDO, will be active as S79DO from the Seychelles (AF-024) between August 21st and September 6th. Activity will be on 40-10 meter mainly on CW using a Elecraft K2 w/100 watts and a vertical, and possibly some dipoles, depending on the location. Sam states, "Please note, that on Seychelles, 40m starts at 7050 kHz. So please look for me at 7055 kHz +/- on CW, somewhat higher in SSB." QSL via DL5RDO, by the Bureau or direct. Also via LoTW.

ST0, SOUTH SUDAN (Wrap-up). The ST0R team is now QRT (as of August 10th). Totals as of 0701z, August 10th, are 121,286/QSOs with 27,994/Unique callsigns. The breakdown is: 55458/CW, 47696/SSB and 18,1320/RTTY (New world Record). By continent: 15.52%/AF, 20.11%/AS, 34.48%/EU, 14.94%/NA, 5.75%/OC and 9.20%/SA. For more details and updates watch: http://www.dxfriends.com/SouthernSudan2011
QSL via EA5RM direct. Online log is available on the Web page at: http://www.dxfriends.com/SouthernSudan2011/log.php
The OQRS (Online QSL Request System) is now up and running at: http://www.dxfriends.com/SouthernSudan2011/qsl_service/index.php

SV9, CRETE. Christo, LZ3FN, will be active as SV9/LZ3FN from Crete (EU-015, GIOTA KRS-005, MIA MGC-005, WLOTA 1400) between September 15-24th. Activity will be on all bands using CW and SSB. QSL via LZ1PM.

TC2, TURKEY. Only a few more days to work TC2X from the Asiatic side of Istanbul until August 16th. The operator is Pertti, OH2PM. He did participate in the WAE DX CW Contest this past weekend. QSL via OH2BH.

UM20, UZBEKISTAN (Special Event). Look for special event station UM20Y between August 25th and September 10th. Activity is to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the Republic of Uzbekistan's independence. Activity wil be on the HF bands using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via UK8AR.

V4, ST. KITTS. Jon, W5JON, will once again be active as V47JA from the Calypso Bay, St. Kitts (NA-104, WW Loc. FK87SG), hillside QTH located 300 feet from overlooking the Caribbean Sea and Atlantic Ocean, between October 10th and November 5th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters (including 60m) using a Kenwood TS-590S, Yaesu FT-857D, and SB200 Amplifier. Antennas include: a 80-10m Multi-band Dipole, and metal roof mounted S9, 18' and 31' Verticals and 3 element Yagi for 6m. His operations will include the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. XYL Cathy (W5HAM) will occasionally operate as V47HAM. ALL QSLs go to W5JON.

V5, NAMIBIA. A German team of operators will activate Namibia between early December and mid-January (2012) as V5/homecall. Operators mentioned are Mathias/DJ2HD, Wolfgang/DH3WO, Ulmar/DK1CE and Ewald/DJ2BQ. Their tentative schedule is as follows:
V5/DJ2BQ – Decemeber 2nd-January 16th (2012)
V5/DJ2HD – December 26th-Janusry 16th (2012)
V5/DH3WO – December 26th-January 5th (2012)
V5/DK1CE - December 26th-January 5th (2012)
Activity will be on all bands 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Mathias, DJ2HD, states that he will focus on 160/80/40m and on RTTY on each band as well. QSL via the operator's home callsign, except QSL both V5/DH3WO and V5/DK1CE via DH3WO.

VU9, INDIA (Lighthouse Op). Members of the Bangalore Amateur Radio Club (VU2ARC) and Lions Clubs International Amateur Radio Club Station (VU2LCI) will be active as VU9LHA from the Alleppey Lighthouse (F 0706, WLOL 071, ILLW IN0004, Grid Loc. MJ89dl) in Alappuzha - Kerala between now and August 22nd, during the International Lighthouse/Lightship Week. Their

activity is also celebrating the 150th anniversary of the lighthouse.
QSL info and more details about the event can be found on QRZ.com.

ZA, ALBANIA. Ignatius, IW7DZJ, will be active as ZA/IW7DZJ between
now and August 22nd. Activity will be on the HF bands, and he plans
to activate a few lighthouses. QSL via IW7DZJ.

ZD8, ASCENSION ISLAND (Early Contest Announcement). Jim, N6TJ, will once
again be active from Ascension Island (AF-003) as ZD8Z next year. Activity
will be during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 18-19th, 2012) as a
Single-Op entry. QSL via his new manager AI4U, direct or by the Bureau.

ZF, CAYMAN ISLAND. Bill, K9HZ, will be active as ZF2HZ from Rum Point,
Grand Cayman Island (NA-016, WLOTA 1042, WW Loc. EK99II) in December.
QSL via his home callsign.

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>>> "Stones have energies that many witches learn to work with, myself among
>>> them. That is not to say that I'm an expert by any means but I do have
>>> my favorites. I learned very young about the energies of stones;"
>>>
>>>
>>>
>>> Yeah, you Kook. Stones DO have "energy"....when you throw them at Mark.
>>>
>>>
>> Gav is describing his testicles.
>>
> indeed one trhid prize in the low hangers cotnest
>
>
Indeed.

758. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 08 - 14 August 2011

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# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
08 - 14 August 2011

Solar activity began the week at moderate levels with an M3/1b flare
at 08/1810 UTC from Region 1263 (N17, L=301, class/area Ekc/720 on
04 August). This event was associated with a type II radio sweep and
a partial-halo coronal mass ejection which was mostly directed away
from the west limb. Region 1263 produced an additional M2/1b flare
at 09/0354 UTC. Activity levels increased to high as Region1263
produced an X6/2b flare at 09/0805 UTC which was associated with
type II and type IV radio sweeps as well as a full halo CME, which
also appeared to be primary travelling away from the west limb.The
X6 is the largest x-ray event for cycle 24 so far. Activity levels
dropped down to low levels on 10 August as Region 1263 rotated
around the west limb. Activity levels further decreased to very low
levels on 12 August and remained there through the end of the
summary period.

A greater than 10 MeV proton enhancement was observed beginning at
08/1905 UTC in association with the M3 flare from Region 1263. The
enhancement peaked at 4 PFU at 08/2000 UTC. Greater than 100 MeV and
10 MeV proton events began on 09 August in association with the X6
flare described previously. The greater than 100 MeV proton event
began at 09/0825 UTC, reached a peak of 2.6 PFU at 09/0840 UTC, and
dropped below threshold at 09/1035 UTC. The greater than 10 MeV
proton event began at 09/0845 UTC, reached a peak of 26 PFU at
09/1210 UTC, and ended at 09/1715 UTC.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit reached
high levels on 08 August and stayed high through the end of the day
on 13 August. The electron flux levels were at normal to moderate
levels on 14 August.

Geomagnetic field activity began the week at generally quiet to
unsettled levels with isolated active and minor storm periods at the
high latitudes. Activity decreased to quiet levels for 11-12 August
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and then increased slightly to quiet to unsettled levels for 14 August. Solar wind observations from the ACE spacecraft showed a positive polarity coronal hole high speed stream from 08-10 August. Solar wind data also indicated a solar sector boundary on the 13th at about 2000 UTC, followed by the onset of a negative polarity coronal hole high speed stream.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
17 August - 12 September 2011

Solar activity is expected to be very low to low for 17-23 August. An increase to low to moderate is expected as old Region 1263 returns and transits the disk from 24 August to 06 September. Activity levels are likely to return to low or very low levels for the remainder of the outlook interval from 07-12 September. In addition there continues to be a chance that a new, rapidly emerging flux region could increase activity to moderate or greater levels at any time during the outlook period.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to increase to high levels for 18-23 August. Moderate levels are expected for 24-27 August, followed by a few days for high levels for 28-29 August. Low to moderate levels should prevail for 30 August through 04 September, followed by another increase to high levels for 05-07 September. Normal levels should resume on 08 September and continue through the end of the outlook period.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be generally quiet to unsettled for 17-22 August as there may be weak driving from a coronal hole high speed stream (HSS). Quiet levels should prevail for 23-25 August and another increase to quiet to unsettled is expected for 26-28 August from another HSS. Quiet levels are expected to return for 29 August through 02 September. An increase to unsettled with a chance for active periods is expected for 03-05 September due to another recurrent HSS. Quiet levels should predominate for 06-10 September, and another increase to quiet to unsettled from a recurrent HSS is expected for 11-12 September.

759. [DXNL] DXNL 1741 (Aug 17, 2011)

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5W, WESTERN SAMOA, OC-097
W7GJ plans to work on 6m via EME signing 5W0GJ from Western Samoa from
Aug 23-31. QSL via homecall.

7P, LESOTHO
EI7CC will be active as 7P8PB during his holidays from Aug 18-30.
QSL via homecall and the log will be uploaded to the LoTW also.

A3, TONGA, OC-169
Craig,KI0SO, is working as A35CT mainly in SSB on 20m-6m from Lifuka
in the IOTA group Ha'apai (OC-169, Loc AH20te). He is using an Elecraft
K3, a Yaesu FT-450 with Force-12 C3 antenna and a M2 6m antenna.
Craig has been spotted on 20m SSB from 0830-1030 UTC. The length of
his stay is not known. QSL via CBA an KI0SO (with some delay).

DL, GERMANY
A few HAM will test several monoband verticals (80m-10m) as DL0M using
large kites flying up to 100m high. Listen for DL0M in CW, SSB and
digital modes on Aug 20/21.
Reports are welcome, also via e-mail to marcus@dl1mh.de

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS, OC-013
Bruce,ZL1AAO, plans to show up from Rarotonga (OC-013) signing E51AAO
on the HF bands from Aug 19-28, besides his touristical activities.
QSL via homecall, the log will be uploaded to eQSL and LoTW as well.

Andy,AB7FS (E51AND/ZK1AND/ZK2AND), and his XYL Kathy,KB7SCH (ZK1SCH),
are working from Arorangi Beach on Rarotonga (OC-013) between Aug 15
and Sep 3. Andy is a member of the Straight Key Century Club (#7723)
and planst CW around 14050 kHz listening especially for SKCC members.
This is NOT a DXpedition, only holiday with some amateur radio. A good
time for skeds is the ANZA DX net on 14183 kHz, daily around 0515 UTC.
Despite limited connections you may also try via e-mail to:

Kiaorana@minetfiber.com
QSL via AB7FS.

G, ENGLAND, EU-005
Members of the Otley Amateur Radio Society will activate the special event station GB0YAA to support the Yorkshire Air Ambulance Charity on Aug 20/21. QSL via bureau.

GU, GUERNSEY, EU-114
A large group of the Telford and District Amateur Society will be QRV as GP3ZME/p from Guernsey (EU-114) from Aug 19-24. Operations will take place on 80m-2m and the SHF bands. QSL via G3ZME.

KH5, JARVIS ISLAND, OC-081
The DXpedition to Jarvis was postponed again to November/December 2012.

PJ2, CURACAO ISLAND, SA-099
Anja,PJ2/DH2AK, and Torsten,PJ2/DL1THM, will be active "holiday style" from Curacao mainly in SSB on 20m between Aug 21 and Sep 8.
QSLs via bureau to their homecalls, for direct QSL route see QRZ.com.

PJ7, SINT MAARTEN, NA-105
Isao,JH1ROJ/KG8XV, plans to be QRV as PJ7ROJ from Sint Maarten (NA-105) in CW and SSB on all bands from Aug 18-25. He has a FT-450, a 500w PA, a HF6V and a 2-ele-yagi for the high bands. Isao will listen especially for JA and Asia on the high bands. QSL via his homecalls.
The log will be uploaded to the LoTW after the operation.

PY, BRAZIL, SA-045
Orlando,PT2OP, will sign PQ8OP and Fred,PY2XB, will sign PQ8XB from the Parazinho Biological Reserve on the Bailique archipelago (SA-045). They will activate the island in SSB, CW and digital modes on 40m-10m from Aug 17-24. They have also equipment for 6m and will listen for band openings there. QSLs for PQ8OP via PT2OP and PQ8XB via PT7WA.

RI1, FRANZ JOSEF LAND, EU-019
Andrey,RI1FJA (RA3MD), and Victor Ivanov,RI1FJM, started their over-winterung on Heyss Island on Franz Josef Land in early August. Andrey can be found on the bands using his SteppIR yagi while Victor wants to focus on the EME business. Both OMs will stay until September 2012.
QSLs for both calls unfortunately only direct via RX3MM.

S7, SEYCHELLES, AF-024
Dieter,DL5RDO, and family will spend their holidays on the Seychelles from Aug 21 until Sep 6. He will be active as S79DO from La Digue until Sep 2 and after that from the main island Mahe (both IOTA AF-024).
QSL via homecall anf the log will be uploaded to the LoTW.
His equipment includes a K2/100 and a vertical. Dieter will work mainly in CW and some SSB on 40m/30m/20m/15m/10m. Note: On the Seychelles the 40m band starts only at 7050 kHz so his CW operation can be expected around 7055 kHz.

ST0, SOUTH SUDAN
The DXpedition ST0R is history. They have set-up a new world record in RTTY for the first activation of a new DXCC. The DXpedition has logged 121.286 QSO with 27.994 different callsigns in 176 DXCC entities and all CQ zones. For the friends of statistics:
CW: 55.458 QSOs, SSB 47.696 QSOs and RTTY: 18.132 QSOs.

T32, EASTERN KIRIBATI, OC-024
Giovanni,I5JHW, will show up as T32JB wotking in SSB, CW and RTTY from the Captain Cook Hotel on Kiritimati (OC-024, Christmas Island) from Aug 17-24. QSL via I5JHW. See also: http://i5jhw.weebly.com

TK, CORSICA, EU-014
Lee,F5MUX, will be QRV again as TK5UX working mainly in CW on HF from Corsica (IOTA EU-014, DIFM TK-001, MIA MCO-001, WLOTA 1390) between Aug 20 and Sep 3. Every QSO will be confirmed via eQSL.
QSL via F5MUX, via bureau preferred.

VP8/A, ANTARCTICA, AN-016
Brian,VK0BFG, will leave Casey Station by the end of December 2011. He can be found on 40m on saturday/sunday afternoons on 7095 kHz usually. His radio is an Alinco DX70 with Ameritron AL811 and an Inverted-V dipole. The center of his dipole is about 100 meter high.
See also following websites:
http://no.nonsense.ee/qthmap write OC53GR32 and click Show
http://brianantarctica.blogspot.com
http://www.french-polar-team.fr/VK0_Casey_Station_Antarctica.php

ZA, ALBANIA
Ignatius,ZA/IW7DZJ, is working on HF until Aug 22 and plans to activate some lighthouses as well. QSL via IW7DZJ.

ZL, NEW ZEALAND
Paul,ZL4PW, will activate the special callsign ZL4RUGBY from Aug 19 until Oct 31 to mark the Rugby World Cup. QSL via ZL4PW.
The log will be uploaded to the LoTW as well.

DXCC: Since July 25 the DXCC award is not issued in RTTY anymore. It is replaced by the DXCC Digital.

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Aug 20/21: SARTG RTTY Contest
Aug 20/21: CW Open Competition
Aug 20/21: DARC HF-Fax-Contest
Aug 20/21: Keymen's Club of Japan Contest
Aug 20/21: North American QSO Party

IOTA collected by Ric,DL2VFR (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AS-026, HL4, Cheju Island group: The OPs HL4MC, HL4CEL, HL4RBR, HL2UVH,
DS4EOI, JA1HGY and JH1AJT will activate the special callsign D9A in CW,
SSB, RTTY and FM on 160m-10m and 6m/2m from Aug 19-26. QSL via JA1HGY.
Logsearch: http://www.clublog.org/charts/?c=d9a

EU-016, 9A, Dalmatia South group: OM Csaba,9A/DH7KU, will be QRV from Ciovo
in CW on 40m and 20m from Aug 21 until Sep 2. QSL via DH7KU.
His website is: http://www.mydarc.de/dh7ku

EU-038, PA, Noord Holland/Friesland/Groningen Province group: PD/DO1BEN and
PD/DO1IQ will be active from Texel from Aug 22-28. QSLs via homecalls.
Their website is: http://www.do1ben.de

EU-073, I7, Puglia (Taranto) Region group: A few HAMs are going to activate
Isola San Pietro as IJ7DX from Aug 18-21. QSLs via IZ7LDC.
Their website is: http://www.armi.ta.it/ij7dx

EU-125, OZ, Jylland West group: OZ/DL2GF will show up from Fanoe Island in
CW/SSB on 40m-10m from Aug 22 until Sep 3. QSL via DL2GF.

EU-129, DL, Usedom Island group: DL0MFK will activate the lighthouse in
Karnin on Usedom (WFF DLFF-075) during the ILLW on Auf 20/21.

NA-026, W2, New York State group: A team of the Great South Bay Amateur
Radio Club will be QRV as W2GSB from the lighthouse on Fire Island.
They plan to work all 24 hours during the ILLW on Aug 20/21.
QSL direct via W2GSB (see QRZ.com).
Their website is: http://www.gsbarc.org

OC-142, VK4, Queensland State (South Coast) Centre group: VI4FI is working
during the ILLW on Aug 20/21 as well from the Sandy Cape lighthouse on
Fraser Island. QSL via VK4MIA. See also: http://www.sandycape2011.com

OC-187, VK4, Queensland State (North Coast) North group: JA1NLX/VK4 will be
QRV from Lizard Island in CW/SSB on the usual IOTA-QRGs from Aug 19-23.
QSLs via bureau, direct or via LoTW.
His website is: http://ja1nlx-aki.blogspot.com

OC-223, VK2, New South Wales State South group: VK2IR, VK2RF, VK2BNG, VK2VEC
and others are activating Montague Island as VK2CL from Aug 19-22.
QSL via VK2IR. More information can be found at: http://www.haraoa.com

SA-018, CE7, Los Lagos Region South group: An ILLW team will sign XR7F from
Isla Grande de Chiloe on Aug 20/21. QSL via CA7PGO (bureau/direct).

SA-055, LU, Buenos Aires (Delta Del Parana) Prov group: The Radio Club
Argentino is going to hit the airwaves from the lighthouse on
Martin Garcia Island (SA-055) from Aug 18-22. They will sign LR5D in
the SARTG WW RTTY Contest. See also: http://www.lu4aa.org
QSLs via LU4AA.

14th International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend (ILLW): Not less than 420 stations announced to join the upcoming ILLW on Aug 20/21 or hand out at least an IOTA group. A few ILLW operators are using their own light-house numbers, parallel to the ARLHS or WLOTA numbers.

Bandspots of the last 7 days

40m
OJ0UR 7.142 2221Z via M0URX (B)
TK/OE2WNL/p 7.116 0850Z SOTA TK-037
Z330A 7.020 0417Z via Z30A (B), eQSL
4O/YT2A/p 7.034 1127Z EU-163

30m
F2YT/p 10.117 1710Z
G/DL5SE 10.104 0552Z EU-120
LZ1670SWS 10.104 2006Z (B)
8P9XC 10.103 2232Z via DF1XC (B)
9M2/SQ9UM 10.100 1705Z via SQ9UM

20m
CO6LC 14.205 2230Z (d)
CS2W 14.009 1648Z EU-050
CT9/IZ2DPX 14.195 1831Z AF-014
G/DL5SE 14.003 1539Z EU-120
IS0/IZ2ANW 14.283 1154Z EU-024
LZ1670SWS 14.014 1640Z via LZ1KZA
NE1SJ 14.264 1637Z SOTA W1/GM221
SK0HS/5 14.264 0906Z EU-084, via SM0MPV
TA2/DL2JRM 14.049 0605Z via DL2JRM (B)
TY1KS 14.021 1624Z via IZ7KHR (B)
US8IB/LH 14.017 1540Z
VU2RBI 14.007 1654Z see QRZ.com (d)
W2VV/p 14.059 1939Z SOTA W2/NJ-012
Z330A 14.020 1610Z via Z30A (B), eQSL

17m
CT9/IZ2DPX 18.150 1236Z AF-014
OJ0UR 18.150 2022Z via M0URX (B)
ST0R 18.145 1416Z via EA5RM (B), OQRS
SV0XCC/9 18.085 1530Z EU-015
XF3/IZ2LSC 18.135 2206Z NA-045, via IZ2LSC (B), (L), eQSL
XF3/IZ2LSC 18.072 1527Z NA-045, via IZ2LSC (B), (L), eQSL

15m
CP6/DF9GR 21.080 2027Z via DF9GR (B)
KH2/N2NL 21.011 0615Z OC-026, W2YC (B), (L)
ST0R 21.080 1635Z via EA5RM (B), OQRS
TY1KS 21.280 1217Z via IZ7KHR (B)
7Z1HL 21.017 0649Z via DJ9ZB (B), (L)

12m
OJ0UR 24.955 0809Z via M0URX (B)

10m
TA2/DL2JRM 28.023 0630Z via DL2JRM (B)

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(L) = LoTW
(r) = bureau QSL via e-mail request

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

-Dec 3Y8XSA 1700/1717
-25Oct 5B50J 1700
23Aug-31Aug 5W0GJ 1741 *
-Apr/12 5Z4RH ? 1674
18Aug-30Aug 7P8PB 1741 *
-30Nov 8J1MORSE.. 1731
21Aug-2Sep 9A/DH7KU 1741 *
-31Dec 9A11P 1723
-Sep 9J2KK 1682
NOW 9M2/KM9D 1731
-04Sep 9M2/SQ9UM 1740
long term 9N1FE 1740
-Nov 9Q6CC 1699

-??? A35CT 1741 *
-Aug A92IO 1663
-31Dec BP100 1684
-31Dec BV100 1684
-20Aug CP6/DF9GR 1740
07Aug-21Aug CT9/IZ2DPX 1739
-31Dec CW5RV 1711
19Aug-26Aug D9A 1741 *
20Aug/21Aug DL0M 1741 *
20Aug/21Aug DL0MFK 1741 *
25Aug-29Aug DL1AXX 1741 *
-31Aug DL20Y2DM 1700
-Aug DL/ON4ACA 1739
12Aug-04Sep DU9/PA3GZU 1740
19Aug-28Aug E51AAO 1741 *
15Aug-03Sep E51AND 1741 *
08Aug-21Aug EA6/EA3PT 1739

-Aug FO8RZ 1636
14Aug-21Aug FP/VE3XB 1740
-Jul/12 FR8NE 1710
20Aug/21Aug GB0YAA 1741 *
-18Aug GM3VLB (IOTA) 1739
19Aug-24Aug GP3ZME/p 1741 *
16Aug-22Aug GS4WAB 1740
-31Dec HB60LU 1711
-31Dec HG15IPA 1724

01Jan-31Dec HG200LST 1708
01Jan-31Dec IA7MM 1708
01Jan-31Dec II1ITA.. 1708
18Aug-21Aug IJ7DX 1741 *
01Mar-30Sep IO4UI 1717
-2012 J28FJ 1739
-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul/12 J28RO 1683
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
19Aug-23Aug JA1NLX/VK4 1741 *
-Oct JG8NQJ/JD1 (M) 1739
-26Aug JW/OE9SDV 1740

16Jun-05Sep K1VSJ 1732
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
-May/12 KH4/W5FJG 1728
POSTPONED KH5 1674/1705/1741 *
-31Dec LA200D 1713
18Aug-22Aug LR5D 1741 *
06Aug-21Aug LZ/HA4YX/p.. 1739/1740
28Jul-04Sep OH1K 1738
-20Aug OJ0UR 1740
Aug OL100VP 1721
22Aug-03Sep OZ/DL2GF 1741 *
06Aug-19Aug OZ0FR/p 1739
-Sep P29CW 1713
01Jan-31Dec PA30.. 1708
22Aug-28Aug PA/DO1BEN 1741 *
22Aug-28Aug PA/DO1IQ 1741 *
14Aug-17Aug PA/IZ4AMS 1740
21Aug-08Sep PJ2/DH2AK 1741 *
21Aug-08Sep PJ2/DL1THM 1741 *
18Aug-25Aug PJ7ROJ 1741 *
17Aug-24Aug PQ8OP 1740/1741 *
17Aug-24Aug PQ8XB 1740/1741 *

-Dec RI1ANC 1708
SOON RI1F/UA1PBA 1740
-Sep/12 RI1FJA 1741 *
-Sep/12 RI1FJM 1741 *
21Aug-06Sep S79DO 1741 *
13Aug-20Aug SM1/DK3PZ 1740
17Aug-24Aug T32JB 1741 *
28Sep-26Oct T32C 1740
-Jun/12 T6MO 1733
-Nov T6SH 1734
20Aug-03Sep TK5UX 1741 *
-15Aug TY1KS 1740
Aug UE90K 1739
20Aug/21Aug VI4FI 1741 *
-Mar/12 VK0KEV (Macq) 1700/1701

-Dec VK0BFG 1741 * Brian,VK0BFG, is working on Casey Base
until December.

20Aug-21Aug W2GSB 1741 *
May -Aug W3CVD/4 1726
18Jul-25Aug W4/DF2MM 1736
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
-14Nov XF1/K5ENS 1739
20Aug/21Aug XR7F 1741 *
NOW XT2RJA 1712
-22Aug ZA/IW7DZJ 1741 *
-Sep ZC4MIS 1732
-Sep ZD9GI 1691
19Aug-31Oct ZL4RUGBY 1741 *
-31Dec ZL50GH 1711
-2012? ZS6KX/7 1740

= Call can change after the allocation of a new prefix
* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

CP6/DF9GR via DF9GR (B)
CR2T via CU2AF (B)
CR5B via CT1BOL (B)
CR6W via CS1GDX (B)
CS2W via HB9CRV (B)
D2QR via RW6HS (d)
DL/ON4ACA via ON4ACA (B)
DR16BENE via DL7BC (B)
DR60BENE via DG2MEL (B)
E70WFF via E77E (B)
EG5PSH/mm via EA3NW
EH7AA via EA7NL, eQSL
EM0UBC via UR4UXD (B)
ER44WFF via ER1RR
GB2RGM via G0TOC
FO/N6JA via N6JA (B)
IJ7A via IK7IMO (B)
IM0/IZ5EBL via IZ5EBL
IP1DIE via EA5KB (B)
IP7W via IK7JWX (B)
IQ7HK via IK7FPX (B)
J48LH via SV3DCX (B)
K3D via KB3NPA (B), (L)
LA/OE9ICI via OE9ICI (B)
LZ1670SWS via LZ1KZA (B)
NH2T via K1TO (B)
OE/DL5MO/p via DL5MO (B)
OL9CX via OK1DX (B)

OZ/DG5LAC via DG5LAC (B), (L), eQSL
OZ2SPACE via OZ7AKT (B)
PA6NH via PH9HB (L), (d), eQSL
R10RTRS via R7AA
R2011UFO via RA9FDR
R2RA via RN3RQ (B)
R50CGT via UA4CDV
R70BP via UA3YY (B)
S79NU via DL8NU (d)
SA4BTD via LA0BX (B)
SO8SM via DF3SM (B)
SV0XBZ/5 via YL2VW (B)
SV2/DB1CP via DB1CP (B)
SV5/SM8C via SM0CMH (B)

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(*) = new QSL manager
(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) = e-mail request

QSLs arrived direct: J79FCG (K1TO), 9M2CNC (G4ZFE), VK8NSB (M0URX)

Country and Prefix Lists

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July 26 -- New Mexico Hams Provide Communications Support During Wildfires <http://www.arrl.org/news/new-mexico-hams-provide-communications-support-during-wildfires>

The Hope for the Warriors Foundation Run for the Warriors is a 10k, 5k and 1 mile run taking place in Lindenhurst, New York, November 13. John Melfi, W2HCB <http://www.qrz.com/db/w2hcb>, EC/RO of Babylon, New York and President of the Great South Bay ARC is seeking communicators to work the event. "We have had operators from Staten Island, Manhattan and as far east as the twin forks on eastern Long Island," said Melfi. "For the past two years we have had 65 operators and would like to see an increase this year. This organization helps Veterans and their families with medical and housing needs." To volunteer, please see the Great South Bay Amateur Radio Club <http://www.gsbarc.org/> Web site.

Follow ARRL EMCOMM on Twitter here <http://twitter.com/#%21/ARRL_EMCOMM>.

The 2012 edition of EMCOMMWEST <http://www.emcommwest.org/> will be held the first weekend in May, 2012. Starting on Friday, May 4, and running through Sunday, May 6, EMCOMMWEST will again be hosted in Reno, Nevada at the Grand Sierra Resort.

The ARRL Minnesota Section has an excellent ARES Web site. Check it out here <http://www.minnesotaares.org/>.

==> ECAC STUDYING ARES/NTS ISSUES

A committee of the ARRL Board of Directors has tasked the League's Emergency Communications Advisory Committee (ECAC) with studying and making recommendations for possible changes in the structural and functional relationships between the venerable National Traffic System and ARES. Specifically, the charge to the committee states: "The Amateur Radio Emergency Service and the National Traffic System exist as the ARRL's implementation of the basic principle stated in 97.1(a), 'Recognition and enhancement of the value of the amateur service to the public as a voluntary non-commercial communication service, particularly with respect to providing emergency communications.' The Emergency Communications Advisory Committee is hereby tasked by the Programs and Services Committee to recommend improvements to ARES and NTS so that the amateur service can better serve the public in providing emergency communications. Specific topics should include, but not be limited to, the following: (1) ARES and NTS objectives and organizational structures; (2) integration between ARES and NTS; (3) Training, certification, and credentialing; and (4) relationships with served agencies. Progress reports should be submitted to the PSC every 90 days and the final report should be submitted by June 1, 2012."

In discussions with ECAC Chairman Dale Williams, WA8EFK, his feeling is that the study is an opportunity to take a fresh look at the overall organizational structure and look for improvements in several areas, including how we are perceived by served agencies: local EMA versus FEMA at the national level, and the programs' roles in multi-jurisdictional incidents. Williams says the committee should study questions such as how well we fit our goals with their needs; how they view our ability to fill their needs; and how promptly we are able to respond.

On the messaging side of the equation, questions the committee will consider are how well we handle messages including tactical versus strategic messaging, and speed versus accuracy. What is our error rate? Is the standard NTS message format sufficient for contemporary needs?

Williams said that there is a feeling that the "last mile relationship between traffic handlers and ARES members seems to be broken. Neither feels an affinity towards the other. NTSers in general don't join ARES and vice-versa, yet both groups have claims on abilities to handle traffic in an emergency. Fixing this may also be a goal of the committee."

The committee met in teleconference on August 3 to consider and edit drafts of surveys planned for release to gain field input on these questions of ARES and NTS, and possible integration. The surveys should be sent to the field soon. The committee meets again on September 7.

Readers are invited to contact their ECAC representatives to provide their own input on these questions: Chairman Dale Williams, WA8EFK <dale.wms1@frontier.com> (Great Lakes); Jim Cross, WI3N <jcross3@gmail.com> (Atlantic); Bill Niemuth, KB9ENO <bniemuth@new.rr.com> (Central); Jim Zahradnicek, KD0S <kd0s@kd0s.com> (Dakota); Jim Coleman, AI5B <wpcde911@itsfast.net> (Delta); Jim Mezey, W2KFV <w2kfv@aol.com> (Hudson); Reynolds Davis, K0GND <reynoldsD1@aol.com> (Midwest); Dave Colter, WA1ZCN <dbcolter@myfairpoint.net> (New England); Gordon Grove, WA7LNC <gorgrolnc@juno.com> (Northwestern); James Latham, AF6AQ <jrlatham@sbcglobal.net> (Pacific); Charlie Miller, AE4UX <ae4ux@bellsouth.net> (Roanoke); Jeff Ryan, K0RM <k0rm@arrl.org> (Rocky Mountain); Rick Palm, K1CE <k1ce@arrl.net> (Southeastern); Grant Hays, WB6OTS <ghays@cis-broadband.com> (Southwestern); Glen Reid, K5FX <k5fx@arrl.net> (West Gulf), and Doug Mercer, VO1DTM <vo1dtm@hotmail.com> (Radio Amateurs of Canada). The Board liaison is Mickey Cox, K5MC, and the ARRL HQ liaison is Emergency Preparedness Manager Mike Corey, W5MPC.

==> EC-001 UPDATES

Field Classes and Exams for Introduction to Emergency Communication Ready to Launch

The infrastructure to re-launch field instruction in ARRL's Emergency Communications training program is now in place.

The printed course transcript is now available in the ARRL store: www.arrl.org/shop/The-ARRL-Introduction-to-Emergency-Communication-Course/ <http://www.arrl.org/shop/The-ARRL-Introduction-to-Emergency-Communication-Course/>

Field exams for the new course have been developed and are available from the ARRL Continuing Education Program office. You can review requirements for registering as a Field Examiner and find the information you'll need to perform those responsibilities, including instructions for ordering exams, at: www.arrl.org/emergency-communications-field-examiners <http://www.arrl.org/emergency-communications-field-examiners>

You can find authorized ARRL Field Instructors and Field Examiners by conducting a search of our database at: www.arrl.org/find-a-fi <http://www.arrl.org/find-a-fi> and www.arrl.org/find-a-fe <http://www.arrl.org/find-a-fe>.

We've also just launched a new searchable database for Field Instructors and Field Examiners to register their classes and/or exam sessions on our website www.arrl.org/find-an-emcomm-class-exam <http://www.arrl.org/find-an-emcomm-class-exam>.

EC-001 Field Instructors Needed

Field Instructors are volunteers who commit their time and expertise to offer classroom instruction of the ARRL Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course. Volunteer instructors may now conduct classroom instruction covering the material in the new Introduction to Emergency Communication course.

Field Instructors must be registered with the ARRL Continuing Education Program and must meet certain requirements:

- Completion of EC-001 (old or new version)
- Completion of FEMA IS-100, 200, 700 and 800
- Must be 18 years of age with Technician or higher license
- ARRL member
- Recommendation of Section Manager

If you are interested in serving as an ARRL Field Instructor for EC-001 you may submit an application here <http://www.arrl.org/application-for-emcomm-mentor-or-field-instructor>.

==> ARRL PARTNERS' ROUNDUP

American Red Cross <http://www.redcross.org/> - Here is an excellent heat wave safety check list <http://www.redcross.org/portal/site/en/menuitem.86f46a12f382290517a8f210b80f78a0/?vgnextoid=8cc6a5f0f013b110VgnVCM10000089f0870aRCRD>.
Summer heat is at record highs in many parts of the country. Be safe out there.

Federal Emergency Management Agency <http://www.fema.org/> - September is a time to remember, and a time to prepare. Here is information on the National Preparedness Month <http://community.fema.gov/connect.ti/READYNPM>, of which ARRL is a coalition member. ARRL Media and Public Relations Manager, Allen Pitts, W1AGP, offers the following advice on National Preparedness Month.

There are only 3 weeks left before September, (yikes!) so time to sign up is short. In the past years, clubs and ARES groups have been among the very top activities for National Preparedness Month and listed on their national government website - and it got noticed! It doesn't require you to do much more than what your groups is probably doing already, so there's no reason not to sign in. Besides that, you can get good materials for newsletters and promotional media for free from them.

Once you sign up, look around their website - there are places you can post pictures and stories on their national website too.

It's a no-brainer for PIOs and national exposure.

APCO International's 77th Conference and Expo <http://www.apco2011.org/> ARRL Staff members Mike Corey, W5MPC, and Ken Bailey, K1FUG, attended the Association of Public Safety communications Officials International (APCO) Conference held in

Philadelphia August 7 - 10, 2011.

During this four day event attendees could sit in on numerous presentations on topics such as interoperability, the FCC's narrowbandings mandate that impacts Public Service Communications, P25 modes of operations, ICS structures, and a host of other public safety communications concerns. Opportunities abounded to learn new skills, explore new products and services and connect with public safety officials and hams alike.

The Salvation Army <http://blog.salvationarmyusa.org/?p=6871> - published photos from the recent, worst local flood in history (Minot, North Dakota) here <http://blog.salvationarmyusa.org/?p=6871>. They show the extreme devastation and caseworkers preparing for long-term assistance.

REACT International <http://www.reactintl.org/> has its Board meeting on August 14. The REACTer <http://www.thereacter.com/> is the official publication of the organization, which has the following objectives: (1) To assist in any emergency by supplying volunteer radio communications in cooperation with authorities and other volunteer organizations; (2) To practice and encourage operating excellence through professional communication techniques; (3) To maintain equipment at peak efficiency and operate in accordance with all government regulations; and (4) To advise the public of correct effective use of the emergency frequencies, such as Citizens Band (CB) channel 9, General Mobile Radio Service (GMRS) frequency 462.675 MHz, and Cellular 9-1-1.

National Weather Service SKYWARN® <http://www.nws.noaa.gov/skywarn/> -- Complete information on this critical volunteer spotter program in which radio amateurs play a major part can be found here <http://www.nws.noaa.gov/skywarn/>. The ARRL recently updated its memorandum of understanding (MOU) with the NWS. See the new document here <http://www.arrl.org/files/media/News/ARRL-NWS_MOU_June2011.pdf>.

National Public Safety Telecommuncations Council <http://www.npstc.org/> -- NPSTC's quarterly newsletter is online and available for viewing <http://www.npstc.org/newsletter.jsp?vol=11&issue=2> .

==> LETTERS

Force Multiplier, Not Last-Ditch Fall Back

In re last month's Op-Ed piece, one of the first questions I was asked a number of years ago in Tempe, Arizona, is why [public safety communications systems are] going to fail. My answer was I didn't know they would fail, but I was pretty sure that in a major disaster, they would become channel limited and their trunked systems would be operating at capacity. Amateur Radio adds capacity when needed. As the author noted, it's not free, but it's close.

Walt Schucknecht, N7IZM has another way to illustrate it: he puts us in the role of the "color commentator." Sure, you could listen to the ball game without Mark Grace telling you what the players are going through, but Mark adds a richness to the presentation because he's been in the batter's box. Presenting Amateur Radio in the same way sets achievable expectations and if your served agencies have issues, your team is positioned to quickly and quietly step in. Later boasting about how you saved the day, however, is probably not a smart way to win relationships and be invited back at a later date. Keeping a low profile, and being able to deliver a meaningful response when requested will keep you in demand.

In my opinion, which is likely not shared by everyone, the days of a Katrina-like total system failure are largely behind us. The big boys had their butts handed to them, and have since spent a lot of effort, time and money to dissect the underlying problems and strengthen them appropriately. A case in point was when well over 500,000 citizens were evacuated during the California Wildfires in San Diego. The system was strained, but it didn't collapse.

Where these systems frankly don't play well is with the more local issues, like coordinating the evacuation of a nursing home or smaller neighborhoods. This is being a force multiplier as the author points out. What I mean is, do you want to tie up a bunch of firemen or sworn officers, or does it make sense to use volunteers to go house to house thus multiplying the effect of those few professionals? Having a wide area communications system in place that we can bring to the party makes us only that much more valuable.

I really believe that Al hit the nail right on the head.-- Rick Aldom, W7STS, Assistant Section Emergency Coordinator, Arizona

Just wanted to comment that I am in 100% agreement with the op-ed piece in the last issue: It's time we started touting our capabilities as a "force multiplier," but to be able to do that, we need truly trained operators, and that means training in radio basics. Those of us on the sharp end of the rope serving our cert teams, etc. and people in our neighborhoods and workplaces need competent people to man net control and to actually handle our traffic. That's the part NTS is supposed to play: training, as well as long haul messaging capability. We're rapidly losing this capability. Operators aren't used to thinking beyond infrastructure, such as repeaters, etc. That's where we fall down -- our operators don't have the access to the training they need to acquire the skills they must have. -- Richard Webb, NF5B, Chairman, NTS Central Area Staff

Re: The Dan Woll/Barneveld Tornado Story

Wow! You are quite right. Woll's story <http://host.madison.com/ct/news/local/article_fb1f9c80-9140-11e0-84c2-001cc4c002e0.html> is gripping, compelling. It should be compulsory reading for every Amateur Radio operator who thinks that he/she is ready to handle emcomm duties. No amount of net affiliation, parades, bicycle rallies or

general drill duty can train a volunteer for what to expect in the way of the charged atmosphere of a real disaster. Unfortunately, just getting people to read Woll's account doesn't mean that it will be understood or taken to heart.

I'm certainly not advocating that we all become licensed amateur psychiatrists, in addition to radio operators. But I think, in addition to an equipment check and a basic personal appearance scrutiny, there should also be some compulsory, basic sensitivity training provided for anyone volunteering for duty in a disaster area. - Dick Montgomery, N3DV <http://www.qrz.com/db/n3dv>, Bedminster, New Jersey

==> BASIC TRAINING: ICS

The government's Incident Command System (ICS) was developed in the 1970s following a series of fires in California's urban interface. Property damage ran into the millions, and many people died or were injured. The personnel assigned to determine the causes of these outcomes studied the case histories and discovered that response problems could rarely be attributed to lack of resources or failure of tactics. Surprisingly, studies found that response problems were far more likely to result from inadequate management than from any other single reason.

The Incident Command System was developed as a standardized management tool for meeting the demands of small or large emergency or non-emergency situations. The ICS represents "best practices" and has become the standard for emergency management across the country. It may be used for planned events, natural disasters, and acts of terrorism. It is a key feature of the National Incident Management System <http://training.fema.gov/EMIWEB/IS/is700.asp> (NIMS).

The ICS is a management system designed to enable effective and efficient domestic incident management by integrating a combination of facilities, equipment, personnel, procedures, and communications operating within a common organizational structure. ICS is used by all levels of government--Federal, State, local, and tribal--as well as by many private-sector and nongovernmental organizations. ICS is also applicable across disciplines. It is normally structured to facilitate activities in five major functional areas: command, operations, planning, logistics, and finance and administration. More in the next issue. - FEMA

==> HURRICANE SEASON HEATS UP: REVIEW ARES DISASTER PRINCIPLES

1. Keep the QRM level down. In a disaster, many of the most crucial stations will be weak in signal strength. It is essential that all other stations remain silent unless they are called upon. If you're not sure you should transmit -- don't. Our amateur bands are very congested. If you want to help, study the situation by listening. Don't transmit unless you are sure you can help by doing so. Don't ever break into a disaster net just to inform the control station you are there if

needed.

2. Monitor established disaster frequencies. Many localities and some geographical areas have established disaster frequencies where someone is always (or nearly always) monitoring for possible calls. When you are not otherwise engaged, it is helpful simply to sit and listen on such frequencies, some of which are used for general rag-chewing as well as disaster preparedness drilling.

3. Avoid spreading rumors. During and after a disaster situation, especially on the phone bands, you may hear almost anything. Unfortunately, much misinformation is transmitted. Rumors are started by expansion, deletion, amplification or modification of words, exaggeration or interpretation. All addressed transmissions should be officially authenticated as to their source. These transmissions should be repeated word for word, if at all, and only when specifically authorized. In a disaster emergency situation, with everyone's nerves on edge, it is little short of criminal to make a statement on the air without foundation in authenticated fact.

4. Authenticate all messages. Every message which purports to be of an official nature should be written and signed. Whenever possible, amateurs should avoid initiating disaster or emergency traffic themselves. We do the communicating; the agency officials we serve supply the content of the communications.

5. Strive for efficiency. Whatever happens in an emergency, you will find hysteria and some amateurs who are activated by the thought that they must be "sleepless heroes." Instead of operating your own station full time at the expense of your health and efficiency, it is much better to serve a shift at one of the best-located and best-equipped stations. This station will be suitable for the work at hand, and manned by relief shifts of the best-qualified operators. This reduces interference and secures well-operated stations.

6. Select the mode and band to suit the need. It is a characteristic of all amateurs to believe that their favorite mode and band is superior to all others. For certain specific purposes and distances, this may be true. However, the merits of a particular band or mode in a communications emergency should be evaluated impartially with a view to the appropriate use of bands and modes. There is, of course, no alternative to using what happens to be available, but there are ways to optimize available communications.

==> EMCOMM EAST: SEPTEMBER 25, ROCHESTER, NEW YORK

The fourth annual EmComm East emergency communications conference is set for September 25, 2011, at the St. John Fisher College, Rochester, New York. EmComm East is an ARRL-sanctioned Amateur Radio emergency communications conference where Amateur Radio operators involved in emcomm can attend training sessions on technical topics, learn from served agencies, and interact with other emcomm operators from all over

the area.

Featured speaker this year is Mike Corey, W5MPC. Corey is the Emergency Preparedness Manager for the ARRL. His major responsibilities include interfacing with ARRL's national partners, emergency communications training, support and guidance for the ARRL field organization on emergency communications issues, organization of the ARRL HQ Emergency Response Team, MOU compliance, and addressing the development and implementation of an organizational disaster response plan complete with supporting procedures and training.Register on-line at: EmComm East <http://www.emcommeast.org/>. The $30 registration fee includes continental breakfast and lunch. See you in September! -- EmComm East, September 25, 2011, 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM, St. John Fisher College, Rochester, New York

==> K1CE FOR A FINAL

This is my last chance to communicate with readers before the upcoming tenth anniversary of 9/11 next month. I know I mentioned this in another issue earlier this year, but if you missed it, here is another chance to read a first-person report <http://www.w2ik.info/> by 9/11 first responder and radio amateur Bob Hejl, W2IK, that I found to be raw and powerful. Hejl was among the first to be on the scene on 9/11. The author is suffering from PTSD as a result of his experience. For me, it is a good way to remember and memorialize those courageous responders who helped others in one of world history's most horrific events. -- Rick, K1CE <http://www.qrz.com/db/k1ce>, Flagler County, Florida

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NEW HF OPERATORS - THINGS TO DO

I hope new operators will take a spin in the ARRL's RTTY edition of the Rookie Roundup <http://www.arrl.org/rookie-roundup> - it's geared to a pace that operators new to HF will find comfortable. Don AA5AU's website on RTTY Contesting <http://www.aa5au.com/rtty.html> has loads of "how to" and "getting started" tips and guidelines. I hope to hear you on Sunday!

BULLETINS

There are no bulletins in this issue.

BUSTED QSOS

Your editor's spelling having improved "considerable", the Busted QSO section will remain quiet for this issue.

CONTEST SUMMARY

Complete information for all contests follows the Conversation section

Aug 20-21

- ARRL 10 GHz and Up Contest
- ARRL Rookie Roundup--Digital

- SARTG WW RTTY Contest
- Russian District Award Contest
- CWops CW Open
- Keymen's Club of Japan Contest--CW
- North American QSO Party--Phone
- Feld-Hell New Member Sprint
- SARL Digital Contest
- Run For the Bacon--CW

Aug 27-28

- ALARA Contest
- Hawaii QSO Party
- SCC RTTY Championship
- YO DX Contest
- Kansas QSO Party
- Ohio QSO Party
- South Africa DX Contest--CW

==> NEWS, PRESS RELEASES, AND GENERAL INTEREST

The North East Weak Signal Group (NEWS) is proud to sponsor the combined Eastern VHF/UHF Conference and Microwave Update 2011 Conference <http://www.microwaveupdate.org/> in Connecticut October 13-16. The conference committee consists of volunteers from NEWS, the Mt. Airy VHF Radio Club (PackRats) and others. The program begins on Thursday with a tour of the Haystack Observatory in Massachusetts and numerous speakers already lined up to give presentations on Friday and Saturday. There will be vendor's displays, Lab Measurement sessions, both indoor and outdoor selling, and much more. (Thanks, Ron WZ1V)

If you are interested in the ongoing competition for WRTC 2014 positions, you should visit the WRTC Rank <http://wrtc-rank.com/> website! The qualification standings are based on claimed and final contest scores to help operators seriously interested in qualifying to WRTC2014 to track their scores and other competitors. The website has recently made some changes and improvements - take a look! Site manager Marek SQ2GXO reminds us that WRTC Rank is not an official site - official scores <http://wrtc2014.org/team-selection/qualification-standings/> are maintained by WRTC 2014 committee member Dan K1TO.

Don't forget about the inaugural CW OPEN contest coming on Aug 20 and 21 to a band near you! Logging modules are supported on: N1MM, WriteLog, TR4W, and other contest logging software (see www.cwops.org/cwopen.html <http://www.cwops.org/cwopen.html>). The unusual format of multiple operating periods should be fun to try! (Thanks, Alan AD6E and Rob K6RB)

Tree N6TR has been off in the land of Zone 19 recently as judge of the Friendship Radiosport Games <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Friendship_Radiosport_Games>. He is the

judge for the CW events and will be participating in the direction-finding event with his daughter, Theresa.

Dave W9ZRX <%20zephd@indy.rr.com> would like to put out an update to the VHF Super Partial Check files before the ARRL September VHF Contest. He would appreciate it if you would send him a copy of the Cabrillo from the July CQ VHF Contest.

DXCC Manager, Bill NC1L notes that dxcc@arrl.org is no longer in use. A number of new e-mail addresses <http://www.arrl.org/awards-branch-contacts> will be used to insure that your email will be delivered to the most appropriate person depending upon the subject.

The Scandinavian Activity Contest pre-issue of Pileup! <http://www.helsinki.fi/%7Ekorpela/PU/PU.html> will be published in early September. The editors are looking for any contest-related materials, serious or humorous, perhaps even both. Your experiences and tips in working SAC from outside Scandinavia would be especially welcome. (Thanks, Ilkka OH1WZ <ilkka@sral.fi>)

Hector XE2K reports on a new project or experiment from the Grupo DXXE <http://www.dxxe.org/gaceta/> led by Joaquin XE1R. The new gazette will share experiences and writeups from the members. The gazette will be in Espa&#65533;ol to begin with and they have just published edition numero uno. A second issue may be available as this newsletter is published. The editors will appreciate your comments and recommendations.

The Northern Lights Radio Society (NRLS) sponsors the Limited Rover Award with rules based on participation in the ARRL's UHF contest. If you submitted a log for that contest, you might quality! Check out the rules and rewards <http://www.nlrs.org/home/contest-activities/august-uhf-contest> on the NRLS website. (Thanks, Todd KC9BQA)

Todd also reports on another VHF+ participation-stimulating program - the Wisconsin V/UHF County Hunters Award or WIVUCH <http://www.wivuch.com/>. If you work at least 20 WI counties on any mix of bands 50 MHz and above - no repeater contacts allowed - you will receive an initial certificate. I can think of several regional VHF+ clubs that could sponsor a local equivalent!

The Aleutians are easy to find on a map but not so easy to get to! Nevertheless, Yuri N3QQ, John KE7V, and Yuri UA9OBA were able to hitch a ride from VP8DEU and put St Matthew on the air as KL7RRC as described in this ARRL website story <http://www.arrl.org/kl7rrc-challenges-the-aleutians>. (Thanks, Yuri N3QQ)

Very sad news comes from the U. S. heartland about the death of Tom Hammond N0SS after a very long battle with cancer. Contesters who attended the Dayton Hamvention will remember Tom, especially his increasingly sophisticated and challenging CW Pileup competitions

sponsored by the Kansas City DX Club. Tom was a personal friend for many years and Elmered many, many hams and contesters in the mid-Missouri area, including multiple world-record-holder Jeff N5TJ, then N0AQK. Tom was also a linchpin of the state's emergency communications team and made countless other contributions to Amateur Radio, including the Elecraft community.

Web Site of the Week - AMSAT <http://amsat.org/> is happy to announce the ARISSat-1 Chicken Little Contest. This is your opportunity to calculate, or guess, when ARISSat-1 falls out of orbit, defined as the time it crosses an altitude of 78 kilometers, which is considered to be the point of no return. While not part of the contest, the actual reentry may be visible depending on location. There are two student divisions and one adult division for the contest. Group submissions are encouraged with a limit of one per group or individual. (ANS thanks ARISSat-1/KEDR team for the above information and we thank AMSAT for the information from AMSAT bulletin ANS-226)

==> SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

The recent Contest University <http://contestuniversity.com/> held in Brazil generated a lot of Latin America buzz! Diego LU8ADX snapped a whole lot of photographs <http://picasaweb.google.com/LU8ADX> during the festivities and you'll recognize many familiar call signs from your contest logs.

John W0UN reminded me of this interesting video of coupled pendulums <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yVkdfJ9PkRQ&feature=player_embedded>. It makes a restful lesson in physics, doesn't it?

WORD TO THE WISE

Equinox - the vernal (spring) and autumnal (fall) equinoxes are the days on which there are equal amounts of light and dark. Hams known them also as the days on which the grey line goes directly over the poles, making for some very long-haul DX QSOs! Contest season is ramping up and is considered to be in full swing after the autumnal edition.

==> RESULTS AND RECORDS

There are loads of contest results to announce in this issue - we must have been very busy this past six months!

Results for the 2011 ARRL DX SSB Contest <http://www.arrl.org/contest-results-articles> are now online. Certificates <http://www.arrl.org/plaques-and-certificates> for the 2010 ARRL 10 GHz & Up Cumulative Contest have also been mailed - you can track the status of ARRL contest award processing online, as well. Make sure your club or group's Field Day submission is in the files by having a look at the Field Day Submissions <http://www.arrl.org/files/file/Field-Day/2011/August%201.pdf> page. (Thanks, ARRL Contest Branch Manager, Sean KX9X)

Sean KX9X also congratulates Thomas Johnson WD5K of Dallas, TX for earning The ARRL Fred Fish Memorial Award <http://www.arrl.org/ffma> (FFMA) #5. Tom submitted confirmation of his last-needed grid, CN77 and Tom's application was reviewed and approved by ARRL on July 28, 2011.

Sam VE5SF reports that results for the 2010 Canada Winter Contest <http://www.rac.ca/en/rac/programmes/contests> are now available on the RAC website.

We also have a basket full of state QSO party results:

Alabama QSO Party <http://www.alabamaqsoparty.org/> (Thanks, Jim KC4HW)

Georgia QSO Party <http://gqp.contesting.com/> (Thanks, John K4BAI)

Michigan QSO Party <http://www.miqp.org/> (Thanks, Dave K8CC)

Wisconsin QSO Party <http://www.warac.org/> (Thanks, Lynn K9KR)

Gmail users might want to check their system's Spam folder as there have been a number of reports about email containing notices of CQ WW Log Checking Reports (LCR) winding up there and not in the Inbox. This is apparently the result of some aggressive spam filtering and may not be a long-term issue but if you participated in the CQ WW and haven't received email for your LCR, take a look. Putting noreply@cqww.com in your Contacts list will also notify the spam filter to pass messages from that address. (Thanks, Bob N6TV)

OPERATING TIP

Be prepared when you get on for a busy contest weekend - if there are several contests active, print up some paper log sheets to record contact information from contests other than the one on which you're focusing. That way you can hand out points to everybody and probably add QSOs to your contest log, as well. After the contest, enter the QSOs into your computer log and generate a Cabrillo file by using the LogConv <http://www.ka5wss.com/Software/LogConv/> program from KA5WSS or other Cabrillo-friendly software. You may get an unexpected certificate for your troubles!

==> TECHNICAL TOPICS AND INFORMATION

Tom K8AZ has some good advice for stack builders. Measure or frequency sweep the feed lines to be odd λ-wave multiples. Make sure you include in the length any jumper from the tower to the antenna balun and the balun, too. When building feed lines, use coax off of the same spool.... and sweep it with an MFJ 259 or equivalent. Use identical baluns and make sure you know the phasing. Once installed, mark one side of the DE with red tape so you'll be able to tell what the proper phasing is years later when you're likely to have forgotten. (Of course, you do keep a station notebook, don't you?) The point about including baluns in the λ-wavelength is well taken - the phase shift through a balun is generally not specified and can be significant. If you want a specific electrical length of feed line between your

transmitter and the antennas, be sure to include the entire feed line including baluns, PL-258 adaptors, jumpers, and so forth.

Speaking of baluns, if your choke balun is getting warm, why? Choke balun dissipation occurs when it doesn't have sufficiently high common mode impedance at the frequency of use. For the reasons why, read Kevin Schmidt W9CF's paper on the effects of balun location <http://fermi.la.asu.edu/w9cf/articles/balun.pdf> in your antenna system and the necessary impedance to get the job done!

Peter PC2A points us to a good discussion of how to use one Beverage antenna at different frequencies by using band-pass filters as a splitter <http://wiki.contesting.com/index.php/VP6DX_receiving_antennas#Bandpass_filter-splitter>. The VP6DX group used this technique and it worked very well! More on Beverage antennas is waiting for you on Mike W0BTU's web site <http://www.w0btu.com/Beverage_antennas.html>. Just about every question you have on Beverages is addressed.

You've probably heard that placing dissimilar metals in contact with each other promotes corrosion but which combinations are better or worse than others? The farther apart the metals are in the Galvanic Series <http://www.corrosionsource.com/handbook/galv_series.htm>, the stronger the corrosion effects. The Corrosion Source website is full of good information about corrosion and how to prevent it.

Russ KB8U has placed pictures and text describing his portable Moxon rectangle <http://kb8u.ham-radio-op.net/moxon> for 6m on his website.

It assembles in about a minute, not counting hooking up the coax. There's plenty of life left in the summer sporadic E season and the ARRL September VHF QSO Party is not far away!

Another multi-antenna resource page <http://hem.passagen.se/sm0dtk/> is published by Martin SM0DTK. There are lots of antenna designs including the "Mini Horse" beam with dimensions for 40 through 2 meters.

Technical Web Site of the Week - There are lots of cookbook solutions to guy cable selection but if you really want to know the details, check out K7NV's excellent engineering analysis <http://k7nv.com/notebook/topics/guycable.html>. Each common type of guy cable is described and characteristics compared. Good stuff! (Thanks, Pete N4ZR)

==> CONVERSATION

A Personal Touch

Not so long ago, I was outside just after a warm summer's dusk with a group of friends, enjoying the good weather and clear skies. I also knew that the International Space Station was going to make a long, high-elevation pass at about the same time and suggested that the group move into the clear where they could see it. Several were amazed to

find out they could see it from the ground without a telescope and I assured them it would be surprisingly bright. (You can find visible passes of the ISS, optical flares from the Iridium satellite solar panels, amateur birds, and many other space objects at the Heavens-Above <http://heavens-above.com/> website.)

As we scanned the southwestern skies, I fielded questions about how high the station was (about 200 miles) and how fast it would travel (this pass was going to last more than four minutes) and how I knew this (the web is pretty useful at times). Then, right on time, a bright spot of light suddenly became visible and the questions turned to appreciative comments as it climbed up toward the zenith and passed overhead. As an added bonus, just before the pass was over, the station passed into the Earth's shadow and abruptly winked out, so I got to explain that, too. I fielded a lot more questions and I'm sure several of the watchers have done the same on their own since that evening.

What does this have to do with ham radio? Well, quite a bit, actually. While my friends knew of the station, they had never actually seen it. It was an abstract bit of knowledge that had little connection to their daily lives. But standing outside on a summer evening, watching it travel overhead and knowing that there were astronauts on board changed everything. That personal, visceral experience gave them a personal connection to what was just some initials an hour before.

Less long ago (like last weekend) I attended the annual Pacific Northwest DX Convention this weekend - I had a great time seeing all my friends again and catching up on how things were going in this far-flung corner of the U.S. It's said you can't go home again and that may be true...but you can sure visit! As I pulled into the Everett Holiday Inn parking lot, I noticed a large semi-trailer out front on the street painted a raucous lime green and festooned with insignia and logos. As it turned out, the Endurocross <http://www.endurocross.com/> motorcycle race was being held on the same weekend and we were sharing the hotel with a lot of racers and fans.

As you might expect, there was some overlap between the two groups, such as at breakfast. They were curious about the badges and call signs and after we got past the inevitable, "Ham radio - do you still do that?" they were quite interested in our "radio cross" events and DXing and that sort of thing. The key point, though, is that they were completely unaware of our existence.

The big semi had on its side a logo for the "world's fastest radio control technology" - so it's not like the race crowd is unaware of wireless technology. They are just unaware of us - that people are still using radio for fun and not as a kind of "smart wire" was news to them. We've essentially dropped out of that conversation because they had no connection with their lives. Without that personal connection, ham radio has little chance of re-entering their conversation with the world.

Here's where you and maybe your club come in. Unless we - as in you and I - get out there and put ourselves in the public eye, we (and ham radio) are going to stay a caricatured mystery to the lay public even though they may be technically savvy and bright. People are not going to pick up a brochure and somehow get interested enough to participate in ham radio. They need to see real people doing something that looks useful (such as building a kit or antenna) and fun (such as radiosport).

The "real people" I mentioned - that's you and me, folks. We have to get out of our basements and garages and spare bedrooms and put feet on the ground where people are. We need to be doing something where and when other people are around. A club can set up shop every so often at a mall or near sports fields (kids everywhere!) or in a favorite public park - anywhere people are likely to see you and have enough free time to ask questions.

Just get out there and be yourselves! Laugh a lot. Smile and shake hands. Don't sit behind a table like it was a castle wall - stand out front and greet people in a friendly way. Talk to them and hand them a flyer with your website and lists of local clubs and stores - don't wait for them to take it. Look like you're having a good time, for crying out loud! It's amazing how well just having fun works as a marketing tool.

A simple station will do - have somebody building a kit or accessory or antenna. You don't have to work DX, just make a few contacts a couple of states away. Have some test equipment - hint, kids love to talk into a microphone and see an oscilloscope trace jiggle. Print up some flyers about ham radio in your town - invite them to a club meeting. Have a demonstration of some special technique like working through a satellite or using a digital mode with a computer. If you can operate during a contest when contacts are made far and wide - set up a map on a piece of foam-core board and stick pins in to show where you've contacted.

Just as a bright point of light in a darkening azure sky can open a mind in unexpected ways, so can a chance encounter with you and your radio, having a good time. You, too, can be an astronaut right here on Earth.

73, Ward N0AX

==> CONTESTS

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An expanded, downloadable version of QST's Contest Corral in PDF format <http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar> is available. Check the sponsor's Web site for information on operating time restrictions and other instructions.

HF CONTESTS

ARRL Rookie Roundup--Digital, from Aug 21, 1800Z to Aug 21, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28, 50. Exchange: Both calls, name, check, S/P/XE or "DX". Logs due: See Web. Rules <http://www.arrl.org/contests>

SARTG WW RTTY Contest--Digital, from Aug 20, 0000Z - see website. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST and serial. Logs due: Oct 10. Rules <http://www.sartg.com/contest/wwrules.htm>

Russian District Award Contest--Phone,CW, from Aug 20, 0800Z to Aug 21, 0800Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RS(T), serial or Russian district. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://rdaward.org/rdac1.htm>

CWops CW Open--CW, from Aug 20, 1200Z to see website. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: Serial and name. Logs due: 5 Sep. Rules <http://www.cwops.org/onair.html>

Keymen's Club of Japan Contest--CW, from Aug 20, 1200Z to Aug 21, 1200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50. Exchange: RST and JA pref/dist or continent. Logs due: Sep 21. Rules <http://www.kcj-cw.com/>

North American QSO Party--Phone, from Aug 20, 1800Z to Aug 21, 0600Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: Name and state. Logs due: 14 days. Rules <http://ncjweb.com/>

Feld-Hell New Member Sprint--Digital, from Aug 20, 2000Z to Aug 20, 2200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Frequencies: Monthly on 3rd Saturday. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, Feld-Hell member nr. Logs due: 7 days. Rules <http://www.feldhellclub.org/>

SARL Digital Contest--Digital, from Aug 21, 1300Z to Aug 21, 16009Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Exchange: RST and serial. Logs due: 7 days. Rules <http://www.sarl.org.za/>

Run For the Bacon--CW, from Aug 22, 0100Z to Aug 22, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Frequencies: Monthly on 3rd Sunday night (local). Exchange: RST, S/P/C, Flying Pig nr or power. Rules <http://www.fpqrp.org/>

ALARA Contest--Phone,CW, from Aug 27, 0400Z to Aug 27, 1359Z and Aug 28, 0400Z to Aug 28, 1359Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28, 144,440. Exchange: RS(T), serial, ALARA nr, name. Logs due: Sep 30. Rules <http://alara.org.au/>

Hawaii QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Aug 27, 0400Z to Aug 28, 2200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RS(T) and HI county/island or S/P/C. Logs due: Oct 1. Rules <http://www.karc.net/>

SCC RTTY Championship--Digital, from Aug 27, 1200Z to Aug 28, 1159Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST, 4-char year first licensed. Logs due: Sep 15. Rules <http://lea.hamradio.si/%7Escc/rtty/rtty.htm>

YO DX Contest--Phone,CW, from Aug 27, 1200Z to Aug 28, 1159Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RS(T), serial or YO district. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.hamradio.ro/>

Kansas QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Aug 27, 1400Z to Aug 28, 0200Z and Aug 28, 1400Z to Aug 28, 2000Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28, 50,144, Frequencies: CW--40 kHz above band edge; Phone--3.840, 7.240, 14.240, 21.340, 28.440. Exchange: RS(T) and KS county or S/P/"DX". Logs due: Sep 30. Rules <http://www.ksqsoparty.org/>

Ohio QSO Party--Phone,CW, from Aug 27, 1600Z to Aug 28, 0400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: Serial and S/P or "DX". Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.ohqp.org/>

South Africa DX Contest--CW, from Aug 28, 1400Z to Aug 28, 1600Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Exchange: RST and serial. Logs due: 4 Sep. Rules <http://www.sarl.org.za/>

VHF+ CONTESTS

ARRL 10 GHz and Up Contest--Phone,CW,Digital, from Aug 20, 6 AM to Aug 21, 12 AM. Bands (MHz): 10G+. Exchange: 6-character grid locator. Logs due: Oct 19. Rules <http://arrl.org/contests>

ARRL Rookie Roundup--Digital, from Aug 21, 1800Z to Aug 21, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28, 50. Exchange: Both calls, name, check, S/P/XE or "DX". Logs due: See Web. Rules <http://www.arrl.org/contests>

Keymen's Club of Japan Contest--CW, from Aug 20, 1200Z to Aug 21, 1200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50. Exchange: RST and JA pref/dist or continent. Logs due: Sep 21. Rules <http://www.kcj-cw.com/>

ALARA Contest--Phone,CW, from Aug 27, 0400Z to Aug 27, 1359Z and Aug 28, 0400Z to Aug 28, 1359Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28, 144,440. Exchange: RS(T), serial, ALARA nr, name. Logs due: Sep 30. Rules <http://alara.org.au/>

Kansas QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Aug 27, 1400Z to Aug 28, 0200Z and Aug 28, 1400Z to Aug 28, 2000Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28, 50,144, Frequencies: CW--40 kHz above band edge; Phone--3.840, 7.240, 14.240, 21.340, 28.440. Exchange: RS(T) and KS county or S/P/"DX". Logs due: Sep 30. Rules <http://www.ksqsoparty.org/>

==> LOG DUE DATES

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August 17, 2011 RSGB 80m Club Sprint, CW <http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2011/rsprint.shtml>

August 20, 2011 North American QSO Party, CW <http://www.ncjweb.com/naqprules.php>

August 21, 2011 DMC RTTY Contest <http://digital-modes-club.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=58&Itemid=56%E2%8C%A9=en>

August 21, 2011 RSGB IOTA Contest <http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2011/riota.shtml>

August 22, 2011 10-10 Int. Summer Contest, SSB
<http://www.ten-ten.org/Forms/QSOPartyRules_082710.pdf>

August 23, 2011 RSGB RoPoCo CW
<http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2011/rropoco.shtml>

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763. Re: Gav is just as kooky as Mark

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-17 19:03:16 UTC
From: radio rambo <radiorambo@nomail.invalid>
Message-ID: <4e4c1090$0$27203$a8266bb1@newsreader.readnews.com>
Source record: 4203
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

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"kb9rqz"wrote in message
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> "RF BURNS" <rfburns@hotmail.com> wrote in message
> news:aVK_n.11844$0A5.9314@newsfe22.iad...
>>
>> "Gamma Match" <swr@ragchew> wrote in message
>> news:3ta19g.lb1.19.1@news.alt.net...
>>> http://gav-jewitch.blogspot.com/
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>>> Part of Gav's ramblings are below, in her words.
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>>> "Stones have energies that many witches learn to work with, myself among
>>> them. That is not to say that I'm an expert by any means but I do have
>>> my favorites. I learned very young about the energies of stones;"
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>>> Yeah, you Kook. Stones DO have "energy"....when you throw them at Mark.
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>> Gav is describing his testicles.
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> indeed one trhid prize in the low hangers cotnest
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>
Indeed.
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764. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-17 22:54:34 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <d4a76cc8-3b6d-41ba-ba71-4614b593d4aa@z7g2000vbp.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4205
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On Aug 17, 3:17 pm, "radio rambo" <

765. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-17 22:55:07 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <b5091c7c-da9d-4845-a5b2-006098d885c5@a12g2000yqi.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4206
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On Aug 17, 3:14 pm, "radio rambo" <

766. Re: get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-17 22:56:03 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <75c34026-9c2e-4090-9ab7-0b50f1c9fea0@b20g2000vbz.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4204
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On Aug 17, 11:27 am, kb9rqz <m...@kb9rqz.com> wrote:
> On Aug 16, 5:26 pm, "

767. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-17 23:35:33 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <a23f7ab6-aa91-4292-8b91-4eca7fa732fc@a7g2000yqb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4207
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On Aug 12, 8:38 pm, kb9rqz <Mork.Mor...@

768. HOT ROMANTIC PICS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-18 00:14:18 UTC
From: SAMARA <jaidatta9247@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <9425909b-e9b4-4c16-b5d9-2aca2e524646@h25g2000prf.googlegroups.com>
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http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/07/katrina-kaif-wallpapers.html
KAJAL LATEST ROMANTIC STILLS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/07/kajal-agarwal-in-naperu-shiva.html
TAMANNA HOT SEXY PHOTOS & VIDEOS
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PRANITHA LATEST BEAUTIFUL PHOTOS
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KAJAL AGARWAL HOT PHOTOS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/kajal-agarwal-hot-photos.html

769. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-18 03:15:13 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <69d97e85-b2e7-4951-b6ff-aae4a99a21df@19g2000vbv.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4209

On Aug 17, 8:14 pm, SAMARA <jaidatta9

can the spam

770. MMMonVHF Newsletter 2011-08-18

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-18 09:23:15 UTC
From: MMMonVHF News Mailer <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <201108180918.p7I9IgvS026087@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 4210
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our lastet NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2011-08-18
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from now on - if any special activities will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further detail please be so kind and watch our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you vy welcome for any
input and we do hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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that the latest edition of the EME-Newsletter is now available
at: http://www.df2zc.de/newsletter - EMENL201108 [1.095 KB] 73
SOURCE: tnx to Bernd, DF2ZC to MMMonVHF

** LITHUANIAN VHF/UHF/SHF CONTEST **

On behalf of the Lithuanian Radio Amateur Society we would like to
invite you and your fellow radio amateurs to participate in the
annual LY VUSHF Championship which is scheduled to take place, as
usually, on the third Saturday of August which is: 20th of August
2011 - GENERAL RULES OF LITHUANIAN VHF/UHF/SHF CONTEST:
DATE: 20 of August, 2011 - TIME: 17.00 - 23.00 UTC
BANDS: 144 MHz, 432 MHz, 1296 MHz, 2.3 GHz, 5.7 GHz, 10 GHz
CONTACTS: All operation in accordance with IARU Region 1 bandplans.
Any station may be worked, but to classify, QSO with at least 1 LY
station is necessary. Contacts via active repeaters and EME are not
valid. MODES: CW, SSB, FM.
EXCHANGE: Signal report plus serial number of QSO, starting from
001 in each band, and WWL locator. SCORING and MORE DETAILS at:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3879
SOURCE: tnx to Oleg, LY3UE, direct to MMMonVHF

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Alexander, RA3MR, cancelled his pedition to EW in August 2011
LATEST NEWS from Alex, RA3MR, dated 2011-08-16: Because of the
problem on EW custom not able work KO32 - KO42 neither. Late night
Alex arrived home again. Sorry to say but the expedition cancelled!
SOURCE: tnx to Alex, RA3MR, direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
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** A3, TONGA, OC-169, qrv HF and 50 MHz **

Craig,KI0SO, is working as A35CT mainly in SSB on 20m-6m from
Lifuka in the IOTA group Ha'apai (OC-169, Loc AH20te). He is
using an Elecraft K3, a Yaesu FT-450 with Force-12 C3 antenna and
a M2 6m antenna. Craig has been spotted on 20m SSB from 0830-
1030 UTC. The length of his stay is not known. QSL via CBA an
KI0SO (with some delay). [DX-ENG] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1023

** GU, GUERNSEY, EU-114, qrv HF and 144 MHz **

A large group of the Telford and District Amateur Society will
be QRV as GP3ZME/p from Guernsey (EU-114) from Aug 19-24.
Operations will take place on 80m-2m and the SHF bands.
QSL via G3ZME. SOURCE: DXNL 1741 (Aug 17, 2011)

** RI1, FRANZ JOSEF LAND, EU-019, soon on EME ?? **

Andrey,RI1FJA (RA3MD), and Victor Ivanov,RI1FJM, started their
overwinterung on Heyss Island on Franz Josef Land in early August.
Andrey can be found on the bands using his SteppIR yagi while
Victor wants to focus on the EME business. Both OMs will stay
until September 2012. QSLs for both calls unfortunately only
direct via RX3MM. SOURCE: DXNL 1741 (Aug 17, 2011)

** Rotuma DX NEWS **

The team of experienced amateur and friends prepared a serious
amateur expedition to the far island Rotuma, which belongs to the
state Fiji, but it is very important for the amateur, because it

counts as a separate country by DXCC list. Our goal is to activate
the beautiful island of Rotuma in all amateur frequency from 1.8 MHz
to 144 MHz and all amateur modes. Our team will work CW, SSB, FM,
RTTY, SSTV, PSK etc...
TEAM is: YT1AD, K3LP, K1LZ, UA4HOX, PY5EG, WD5COV, SV2BFN, AA4NN,
N6PSE, YT3WW, UA4HBW, RU4SU, JT1CO, JT1DO, LZ1VVV, HL5FUA, RW4NW,
YT3W.
Landing permit and amateur radio license for CAL 3D2R already
existing. The team of experienced amateur and friends will gather at
the 24th Fiji September 2011 and expect a departure from the port of
Suva 25th In September 2011 around noon. The journey takes 36 hours.
We expect the first activity at amateur frequencies on 27th September
2011 and will be active the next 10 days. Return to Fiji is expected
8.oktobra 2011 in the morning in the same harbor where we came from!
We hope that the whole amateur world will enjoy the amateur activity
and QSO's with our team. POZ, Acim - SOURCE: YT3W via [GOLIST]

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** Many thanks to all our USER who did send us info and News **

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73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

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771. The ARRL Letter for August 18, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-18 20:59:40 UTC
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Message-ID: <20110818183023.4895E276BB@bmail.arrl.org>
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==> + ARRL FIELD DAY: 2011 FIELD DAY LOGS POSTED

A record 2654 submissions have been received for the 2011 running of
ARRL Field Day. According to ARRL Field Day Manager Dan Henderson,
N1ND, this is the highest number of entries received for what is one of
Amateur Radio's most popular on-the-air operating events. The combined
list of Logs Received for Field Day has been posted online. The list
includes all logs submitted via the website, as well as those submitted
via e-mail and US Mail. Read more here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/2011-arrl-field-day-logs-posted>.

==> + AMATEUR RADIO IN THE CLASSROOM: ARRL TEACHERS INSTITUTE ON
WIRELESS TECHNOLOGY OPENS HORIZON OF LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

This summer, the ARRL offered five sessions of the Teachers
Institute on Wireless Technology (TI). Veteran instructors Miguel
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Enriquez, KD7RPP, and Nathan McCray, K9CPO -- along with new Instructors Tommy Gober, N5DUX, and Matt Severin, N8MS -- led the instruction. A total of 55 educators from 24 states, ranging from elementary teachers to university PhDs, took part in the 2011 TIs.

The first TI session of 2011 was held at Desert Ridge Middle School in Albuquerque, New Mexico, and was hosted by Diane Nihart, KE5UHB, a 2010 TI graduate. Other sessions took place at Parallax, Inc's corporate office in Rocklin, California (Parallax provides the robotics equipment for each TI session); at Mohawk Valley Community College in Utica, New York -- hosted by Bob Decker, AA2CU; and at ARRL Headquarters. The Dayton Amateur Radio Association hosted the TI-2 seminar, Space in the Classroom. The TI-2 curriculum focuses on the nuts and bolts of setting up and operating a satellite ground station. While TI participants do not need to have an Amateur Radio license to attend a session, TI-2 participants must have at least a Technician class license and have already attended a TI session. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-teachers-institute-on-wireless-technology-opens-horizon-of-learning-opportunities>.

==> + ARRL AND CALIFORNIA RESEARCHERS TEAM UP TO END 12 METER INTERFERENCE

After the resolution of the recent 60 meter Coastal Ocean Dynamics Applications Radar (CODAR) situation on the East Coast, the ARRL noted an earlier report by John Terrell, N6LN, of Palos Verdes, California. Terrell described CODAR activity on the 12 meter band, from 24.93 to 25.058 MHz. Since it appeared likely it was originating on the West Coast -- possibly near Orange Section Official Observer Coordinator Dan Welch, W6DFW -- ARRL Field and Regulatory Correspondent Chuck Skolaut, K0BOG, contacted Welch for assistance. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-and-california-researchers-team-up-to-end-12-meter-interference>.

==> + CHECK OUT THE SEPTEMBER ISSUE OF QST

The September issue of QST is jam-packed with all sorts of things that today's Amateur Radio operator needs. This issue focuses on Emergency Communications and Public Service, activities that many hams enjoy. >From product reviews to experiments to contesting, this issue of QST has something for just about everyone.

Victor Cid, W3CID, and Andrew Mitz, WA3LTJ, know that radio amateurs have a long history of tinkering, of taking something and adjusting it to their purposes. These two hams -- who work at the National Institutes of Health in Washington, DC -- did just that when they developed a unique way to link a group of Maryland hospitals during major disasters via Amateur Radio. Find out how they did it in their article "Optimizing Amateur Radio Resources for Major Disasters." When your ARES® group is activated during an emergency, you know to grab your go-kit. Geoff Haines, N1GY, took this idea a bit further with his article "An Emergency Radio Package - or The Radio in a Box II." Haines

developed a box to hold a dual-band VHF/UHF radio, a battery and paperwork using only materials and equipment he already had on hand.

David Gillespie, W4LHQ, looks back at the devastating Alabama tornadoes earlier this year in his article "Alabama Slammer." Gillespie recounts that thanks to the the training hams had before the storm -- as well as the experiences they brought with them from past disaster deployments -- was crucial to providing top-notch communications support to the area served agencies. Speaking of practice, it's time to get ready for the 2011 Simulated Emergency Test (SET), set for October 1-2. ARRL Field Organization Supervisor Steve Ewald, NV1X, takes a look at this annual event that tests emergency operating skills and the readiness of communications equipment and accessories in an emergency-like deployment.

QST Contributing Editor Howard Robins, W1HSR, takes a look at the Yaesu VX-8GR dual-band handheld transceiver in this month's Product Review. He says that this radio "incorporates GPS and a slew of features into a rugged, compact package. With so many features in a small package, it will be most appropriate for advanced amateurs wanting to explore and master APRS and GPS technology." QST Contributing Editor Phil Salas, AD5X, also checks out the Ameritron ALS-1300 HF power amplifier. He says this amplifier "delivers the goods and provides a good value for those interested in a solid state near-legal-limit linear power amplifier for 160-10 meters."

Ward Silver, N0AX, delivers the results of the 2011 ARRL International DX Phone Contest. With the bands wide open during the contest, Silver noted that "more butts in more chairs [meant] a 24 percent increase in QSOs reported by US and Canadian stations. There were more single-band logs than ever this year and the big increase was -- no surprise -- 10 meters, which went from 13 logs submitted in 2010 to 60 in 2011."

Of course, there are the usual columns you know and expect in the September QST: Happenings, Hints & Kinks, The Doctor Is IN, How's DX, Technical Correspondence, Vintage Radio and more. Look for your September issue in your mailbox. QST is the official journal of ARRL, the national association for Amateur Radio. QST is just one of the many benefits of ARRL membership. To join or renew your ARRL membership, please see the ARRL web page <https://www.arrl.org/join>.

==> + QSL CARD EXHIBIT IN MARYLAND THROUGH SEPTEMBER 15

HPE 2 WRK U AGN SN: Ephemeral Communiqu&#65533; 1920-1980 -- a design exhibit of more than 550 QSL cards -- will be on view until September 15, 2011 at the Chesapeake Gallery on the campus of Harford Community College in Bel Air, Maryland. It is curated by Harford CC Professor of Art and Design Kenneth Jones. Jones will present a talk at the closing reception September 14 from 6-8 PM.

"In an age of communicating wirelessly with avatars, tweets and friending through Facebook. QSL cards are sophisticated communication

devices that reconnect two people to the past," Jones told the ARRL. "Today, the pace of communication is so much faster, and the memory of that communication may be stored or in most cases hidden in histories, caches and the recesses of hard drives and servers. The act and art of QSLing is an act of respect, unity and friendship."

Jones said that he "rediscovered" his grandfather's QSL cards a few years ago: "When I opened [the box], I was overwhelmed by the aroma contained in the contents. The box was full of items from my grandfather (he passed in 1987) and included QSL cards, which transported me to the shack he used which was part of his kitchen. I remembered the big antenna on top of his little home, and how he would let me turn the dial to change its direction. The cards in the box sparked my interest in their design and history, so I began to research and collect them. After collecting about 10,000 of them, I started to think about writing a book about the design history of the cards and applied for a sabbatical, which I was awarded and then took in the fall of 2010."

HPE 2 WRK U AGN SN is a design exhibition of more than 550 QSL cards from the Golden Age of Amateur Radio (1920-1980), presented and arranged by style. Jones selected the cards from the more than 10,000 in his collection. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/qsl-card-exhibit-in-maryland-through-september-15>.

==> + AMATEUR RADIO TECHNOLOGY: 30TH ANNUAL ARRL/TAPR DIGITAL COMMUNICATIONS CONFERENCE SET FOR SEPTEMBER

The Four Points Sheraton Hotel at Baltimore Washington International Airport is home base for the 30th annual ARRL/TAPR Digital Communications Conference, September 16-18. This conference is an international forum for radio amateurs to meet and publish their work, as well as present new ideas and techniques. Presenters and attendees will have the opportunity to exchange ideas and learn about recent hardware and software advances, theories, experimental results and practical applications. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/30th-annual-arrl-tapr-digital-communications-conference>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "The warmth of the Sun is in your smile <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LgJsBuJF1So>" Cook, K7RA, reports: Solar activity was down again this week -- the sunspot number on Sunday went all the way to 0 for the first time since January 27, which was 29 weeks ago. The average daily sunspot numbers declined nearly 50 points, to 25.6, while the average daily solar flux was down nearly 16 points to 88.5. The latest prediction from NOAA/USAF on August 17 has the solar flux at 98 on August 18, 100 on August 19-21, 105 on August 22-24, then 110, 115, and 115 on August 25-27, and back to 110 on August 28-31. The predicted planetary A index is 5 on August 18-20, 8 on August 21, 5 on August 22-25, 15, 10 and 8 on August 26-28, and 5

again on August 29-31. Thanks to Max White, M0VNG, of Worcester, England, for sending along this story from NASA, "Solar Flares: What Does It Take to Be X-class? <http://www.nasa.gov/mission_pages/sunearth/news/X-class-flares.html>" Look for more information on the ARRL website on Friday, August 19. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by The Bangles' Waiting for You <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The_Bangles>.

==> + SILENT KEY: TOM HAMMOND, N0SS

Tom Hammond, N0SS, of Lohman, Missouri, passed away August 4 from cancer. He was 67. Hammond was the first and only Life Member of the Kansas City DX Club, playing an invaluable role in the club for more than three decades, creating his world famous CW pileup files each year for the annual CW Pileup Competition at the Dayton Hamvention. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/tom-hammond-n0ss-sk>.

==> THIS WEEK ON THE RADIO

This week:

- August 19 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- August 20 -- Feld Hell Sprint
- August 20-21 -- ARRL 10 GHz and Up Contest (local time) <http://www.arrl.org/news/go-high-for-the-2011-arrl-10-ghz-and-up-contest>; SARTG WW RTTY Contest; North American QSO Party (SSB); Russian District Award Contest; CWOps CW Open
- August 21 -- ARRL Rookie Roundup (RTTY) <http://www.arrl.org/news/attention-rtty-rookies-the-2011-rtty-rookie-roundup-is-here>; SARL Digital Contest
- August 22 -- Run for the Bacon QRP Contest
- August 24 -- SKCC Sprint
- August 24-25 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

Next week:

- August 26 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- August 27 -- ARCI Welcome to QRP
- August 27-28 -- Hawaii QSO Party; Kansas QSO Party; Ohio QSO Party; ALARA Contest; YO DX HF Contest; SCC RTTY Championship
- August 28 -- SARL HF CW Contest

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- August 20 -- ARRL West Virginia State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-virginia-state-convention-1>,
Weston, West Virginia
- August 20-21 -- ARRL Alabama State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/alabama-state-convention-huntsville-hamfest>,
Huntsville, Alabama
- August 21 -- ARRL Kansas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/kansas-state-convention-1>, Salina,
Kansas
- August 28 -- ARRL Western Pennsylvania Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/western-pennsylvania-section-convention-1>,
New Kensington, Pennsylvania
- September 9-11 -- ARRL Southwestern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southwestern-division-convention-hamcon-2011>,
Torrance, California
- September 11 -- ARRL Great Lakes Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/great-lakes-division-convention-findlay-hamfest
>,
Findlay, Ohio
- September 17 -- ARRL Roanoke Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/roanoke-division-convention-virginia-beach-hamf
est>,
Virginia Beach, Virginia
- September 24 -- ARRL Washington State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/washington-state-convention-35th-annual-spokane
-hamfest>,
Spokane Valley, Washington
- October 8-9 -- ARRL Florida State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/florida-state-convention-melbourne-hamfest>,
Melbourne, Florida
- October 9 -- ARRL Connecticut State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/connecticut-state-convention-1>,
Wallingford, Connecticut
- October 14-16 -- ARRL Pacific Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/pacificon-2011>, Santa Clara, California
- October 21-22 -- ARRL West Gulf Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-gulf-division-convention-texoma-hamarama>,
Ardmore, Oklahoma
- October 22 -- ARRL Iowa State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/iowa-state-convention-hamboree-2011>,
Sergeant Bluff, Iowa
- November 6 -- ARRL Iowa Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/iowa-section-convention>, Davenport, Iowa
- November 19-20 -- ARRL Indiana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/indiana-state-convention-fort-wayne-hamfest-and
-computer-expo>,
Fort Wayne, Indiana
- December 3-4 -- ARRL West Central Florida Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-central-florida-section-convention-tampa-b

ay-hamfest-1>,
Palmetto, Florida

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772. HOT PEOPLE HOT AND SEXY VIDEOS FOR U SEE AND ENJOY

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773. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1775 - August 19 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-19 11:52:01 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
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Source record: 4213
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1775 - August 19 2011

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1775 with a release date of
Friday, August 19th 2011 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. ARISSat One continues to amaze ham radio but its battery is growing weaker as the days pass. Also, Heathkit says that it plans to return to the kit supply business, the cost of vanity calls are going up, the worlds first ever Digital Amateur Television contest is almost here and don't forget to remove the batteries. Find out why on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1775 coming your way right now.

(Billboard Cart Here)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: ARISSAT-1 DROPPING TO LOW POWER EVEN IN SUNLIGHT

According to several reports ARISSat-1 has been switching into low duty cycle mode. This, even while in complete sunlight. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, has the latest:

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When ARISSat One is in darkness, in order to conserve battery power, it switches into a mode where it transmits for 40 seconds and then shut down for 2 minutes. However, on Thursday, August 11th and Friday the 12th a number of hams began reporting that ARISSat One was in low duty cycle mode when the satellite appeared to be fully illuminated by the sun.

Now comes a probable explanation from hardware developer Tony Monteiro, AA2TX. He reports that at certain bad sun angles, the solar panels may not provide enough power to run the satellite even though it is in full sunlight.

AA2TX says that the power from the panels can actually drop to as low as 2.5 watts at really bad angles but the satellite needs around 8 watts average to run in high power mode. This means that the satellite would have to draw current from the battery to run in high power mode even though it is in the sun. This discharge would reduce the life of the battery so to minimize the damage and prolong the life of the satellite, it will switch itself to low power mode under these conditions.

Monteiro adds that he does not know for sure if this is what is happening but this condition is within the predicted nominal operation of the satellite.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, in Los Angeles.

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Meantime, ARISSat One controllers have confirmed that the battery voltage of the satellite has been decreasing during eclipse at a faster rate than expected. Specifically, the battery voltage is getting lower with each eclipse period. It therefore is taking longer for the battery to charge up to 32.5V to allow the switch from Low Power to High Power when the satellite enters an illumination period. (AMSAT, ARISSat)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: CHICKEN LITTLE CONTEST FOR ARISSAT 1

Meantime, Amsat has announced that its again holding another of its famed Chicken Little contests. This one to see if anyone can guess or predict as to when ARISSat One will fall out of orbit.

According to AMSAT, this is defined as the time ARISSat One crosses an altitude of 78 kilometers, which is considered to be the point of no return. And as in the past, there will be three Chicken Little divisions. These are a student category for Kindergarten through grade 8 grades, another student category for High School, grades 9 through 12 and then one for the rest of us.

Submissions will close on September 15th at 23:59:00 UTC. Once ARISSat One actually falls from the sky the closest predictions in each category will be recognized for their achievement. Submissions go by e-mail to CHICKENLITTLE (at) ARISSAT1 (dot) ORG

And less we forget, while not part of the contest, the actual re-entry of ARISSat One into the Earts atmosphere may be visible depending on the location where it takes place. As such, reports are encouraged.

And for those not aware, Chicken Little is a fable about a chicken who believes the world is coming to an end. The phrase "the sky is falling" features prominently in the story. As such it has become a rather common expression indicating a hysterical or mistaken belief that disaster is imminent.

(AMSAT)

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RADIO RULES: VANITY CALL SIGN COST TO RISE STARTING SEPT 9

The price of a vanity call sign in the United States is on the rise. On August 10th the FCC announced that the cost of an Amateur Radio vanity call will increase 90 cents to $14.20 for a 10 year license term. The new fee take effect 30 days after publication in the Federal Register

making September 9th the first day the new fee is in effect. (ARRL)

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RADIO BUSINESS: HEATHKIT SAYS IT IS RETURNING TO THE KIT SUPPLY MARKETPLACE

Heathkit says it is re-entering the kit business that it abandoned almost two decades ago. In an announcement posted to its www dot heathkit dot com website, Heathkit Educational Systems which is the current name for the company states that in late August the company will debut its new line of do-it-yourself kits for common around-the-house items.

Don't look for ham radio gear to be a top priority even though the word on the street is that kits for the amateur radio market may be down the pike. Right now the company is starting off with more general interest kits with their first entry being a Garage Parking Assistant or G-P-A for short. The Garage Parking assistant kit lets someone build their own system that uses ultrasonic sound to locate a car as it enters the garage. The system signals to the driver using LED lights mounted on the wall when the car is detected and in the perfect spot for parking. Next on the market will be a Wireless Swimming Pool Monitor kit followed by many more novel items.

For those of you to young to remember, it was on March 30, 1992, that the then managers of Heathkit announced that after some 45 years the company was closing out its kits and leaving the business. In its hey-day, Heathkits were products of the Heath Company of Benton Harbor, Michigan. Their build it yourself product line included everything from electronic test equipment to high fidelity home audio equipment, television receivers, and of coarse amateur radio gear. It was the emergence and subsequent domination of the world electronic marketplace by Pacific Rim manufacturers who could produce and market completely assembled equipment at prices far less than Heathkit or anyone else could supply a do it yourself version that lead to the demise of names like Eico, Paco, and of coarse Heathkit.

So why has Heathkit decided to re-enter the kit market? To hazard a guess you have to remember that the current incarnation of Heathkit is an educational materials supplier. As such it has likely taken notice of the burgeoning maker and hacker community. This is an ever expanding group of technology hobbyist's world wide that in recent years has grown into a multi-million dollar business opportunity for those smart enough to recognize it and are ready to fill the void. These are also the people that many believe will be the next generation of technology leaders and radio amateurs.

The Heathkit announcement says nothing about the business rationale for going back into the kit supply business but it does state that the company wants to bring to its customers interesting and unique products. As such it is interested in learning what types of products

that kit builders would like to see brought to the marketplace. Anyone interested can submit their suggestions by mail addressed to 2024 Hawthorne Avenue St. Joseph, Michigan, 49085 or at www.heathkit.com. (ARNewsline(tm) with some information supplied by KC8VWM, N4OZ and others.)

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ENFORCEMENT: DUTCH AUTHORITIES TO ISSUE INSTANT FINES TO PIRATE BROADCASTERS

According to news reports, the Radiocommunications Agency of the Netherlands will soon launch a new and tougher policy to deal with pirate radio stations. One which could lead to fines of up to 2,500 euros or $3600 imposed on an unlicensed broadcaster as soon as half an hour after they receive a warning letter.

This the agency's latest move in a cat and mouse game with the pirate stations. It used to take months before someone was punished for illegal broadcasting. That has since been reduced to several weeks, and could now be cut to half an hour under the new policy.

There have already been 1600 warnings issued this year, and 60 people have been fined. The fine is not necessarily for the pirate, but handed to the owner of the land which is used for broadcasting.

The pirate radio broadcasters are now increasingly using mobile stations, so after receiving a warning letter they simply move to a different location to broadcast. The Radiocommunications Agency wants to introduce its new instant fine policy as soon as possible as a way to prevent these nomadic broadcasters from escaping punishment. Its said that some of the wandering pirates use transmission mast as tall as 40 meters in height. (Media Network)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the N3EVW repeater serving Scranton, Pennsylvania.

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ENFORCEMENT: LAUDERHILL FLORIDA UNLICENSED BROADCASTER HAS FINE CUT IN HALF

Back here in the United States. the FCC has cut in half the amount of a fine that it had issued to Christopher M. Myers, of Lauderhill, Florida. This for his alleged operation of an unlicensed radio transmitter on the frequency 95.9 MHz. Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP, reports:

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Back on July 12, 2010, the Enforcement Bureaus Miami Office issued a $10,000 Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture to Christopher Myers for operation of an unlicensed radio station. Myers contested the then proposed fine. In his petition to the FCC Myers requested cancellation or reduction of the proposed forfeiture based on his claims that he did not operate the unlicensed station and that he was unable to pay the $10,000 forfeiture.

Specifically Myers asserted that although he owns the residential condominium referenced in the Notice of Apparent Liability that the condominium was occupied and controlled by a renter from 2007 until 2010 and that he resided elsewhere during that period. He also stated that although he was present in the condominium during the inspection on March 7, 2010, the transmitter was not transmitting at that time and that after he received notice of the unlicensed operation, that he took affirmative steps to terminate the lease with the unidentified renter. His response also stated that a broadcasting organization known as WBIG is responsible for any unlicensed operations on 95.9 MHz and 91.7 MHz; and that he does not hold any pecuniary interest in WBIG. Lastly he claimed that the $10,000 fine constituted a financial hardship and provided the required documentation to back up this claim

In its decision on the matter the FCC said that it did not find Myerss statement that he did not reside in the residential condominium reliable. Myerss drivers license and most recent vehicle registration list the condominium as his residence. The FCC says that Myers received and signed for several documents at the condominium. It says that it believes this demonstrates that Myers did in fact reside in the condominium.

Also says the FCC, it disagrees with Myers statement that the station was not transmitting on March 7, 2010. It notes that at approximately 6:50 P.M. on March 7, 2010, agents from the Miami Office determined that an unlicensed station was operating from the condominium. The Lauderhill Police Department executed a search warrant for the condominium at approximately 10:00 P.M. and found only Myers present. A bit later, FCC agents arrived and found the same. It says that the unlicensed station continued to transmit until FCC agents disconnected the transmitter which was located in the residence, doing so at approximately 11:10 P.M. As such, the FCC says that it finds no reason to cancel or reduce the forfeiture on this basis.

However, regarding Myers inability to pay the entire $10,000 fine, the FCC has determined that, in general, gross revenues are the best indicator of an ability to pay a forfeiture. Based on this it finds that Myers is unable to pay the full proposed forfeiture amount, so it has granted a reduction down to $5,000.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, Im Norm Seeley, KI7UP, in Scottsdale, Arizona.

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Its unknown if Myers plans to file a further appeal. (FCC)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: WORLDS FIRST DIGITAL ATV QSO PARTY AUG 26 -27

The world's first Digital Amateur TV QSO Party will be on Melbourne Australia's VK3RTV repeater next weekend. The QSO Party has been organized by Peter Cossins VK3BFG as control station and will include the Amateur Television Network of California and the British Amateur Television Club.

VK3BFG said that 8 pm Australian Eastern Standard Time on Friday August 26th will be the kick-off time of the two-day event as part of the Amateur Radio Victoria celebration of its centenary. Also, on Saturday the August 27th at 1 pm Australian Eastern Standard Time there be a link up with Don Hill KE6BXT in California and also a connection with the W6ATN ATV Repeater. (VK3PC)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: PARACHUTE MOBILE TO PERFORM AT PASCIFICON ON OCTOBER 15

Michael Pechner, NE6RD, reports that weather permitting, the group Parachute Mobile will be doing a doing a jump on October 15th. This, in coordination with the Pacificon ARRL Pacific Division Convention being held in Santa Clara, California the weekend of October 14th to the 16th.

Pechner tells Newsline that live video of the flight will be streamed to the World-Wide-Web on Justin dot tv as well at fast scan amateur television outlets. There will also be a live APRS feed using Google Earth mapping showing the APRS beacons with about a 90 second delay. This, due to how aprs-is works.

Sound interesting? Well you can learn more by simply taking your web browser to www.parachutemobile.com, and following the updates. (NE6RD)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: NEWSLINE TO HOST TOWN MEETINGS AT TWO CALIFORNIA CONVENTIONS

And speaking about Pacificon, it will be one of two venues where Amateur Radio Newsline producer Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF will be hosting two of our popular Ham Radio Town Meetings.

The first of these will take place on Saturday, September 10th at the aRRL Southwest Division Convention to be held at the Marriott Torrance South Bay hotel in the city of Torrance. There the topic will be a repeat of this years Dayton Hamvention Town Meeting titled How to Make a Ham Radio Movie in the 21st century. At airtime the speakers list includes Hollywood Producer Director Dave Bell, W6AQ; video Post

Production Editor Frosty Oden, N6ENV, PBS cameraman George Barker, NA1F and amateur film maker Dennis Smith, KA6GSE. For more information on this event take your web browser to www dot hamconinc dot org and click on the words Tech Talks.

On Saturdary, October 15th Bill will be hosting an Amateur Radio Newsline Ham Radio Town Meeting at Pacificon 2011. The title of this session is "Peering Into the Future: Amateur Radio 100 Years From Now." And helping to give us all a glimpse at ham radio in the year 2011 will be IARU Secretary Rod Stafford, W6ROD; ARRL General Counsel Chris Imlay, W3KD; Nobel Laureate Joe Taylor, K1JT and emergency communications futurist David Witkowski, W6DTW. The venue for this session is the Marriott Santa Clara, in Santa Clara, California in Salons 1, 2 and 3 from 1 to 3 PM Pacific Daylight time. More information on this one is on-line at www.pacificon.org. We hope to see you at one of these two sessions or maybe at both. (ARNewsline(tm))

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HAM HAPPENINGS: THE HUNTSVILLE HAMFEST

And two major events are taking place at about the time this newscast goes to air. First up is the 2011 Huntsville Hamfest being held August 20th and 21st at the Von Braun Center in Huntsville, Alabama. Activities include DX Card Checking, numerous hospitality suites, license exams and presentation of the 2011 Young Ham of the Year Award to 11 year old Kaitlyn Cole, KS3P, of Harvest, Alabama.

This year's Young Ham of the Year Award ceremony will be hosted by Amateur Radio Newsline's own Don Wilbanks, AE5DW. He will be joined by representatives of the awards principal corporate underwriters Vertex Standard and CQ Magazine.

This years Huntsville Hamfest will again be net-cast live on the World-Wide-Web at W5KUB dot com. Be sure to tune in and enjoy the festivities vicariously if you cannot be there in person. More information on the Huntsville Hamfest itself is on-line at www.hamfest.org. (ARNewsline(tm))

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HAM HAPPENINGS: THE INAUGURATION OF THE NEW TWIT.TV BRICK HOUSE TV STUDIOS IN PETALUMA CA

August 20th and 21st will also see the grand opening of Leo LaPorte's new TWIT.TV studios in Petaluma, California. According to Bob Heil, K9EID, who hosts the show Ham Nation on the TWIT network, a special event station will be active on 40 and 20 meters in the afternoon and evenings both days to commemorate the official opening of the facility.

The call sign to be used will be W6KB. This is the club call of the Redwood Empire DX Association whose members have been instrumental in

the planning and installation of the ham radio antenna system during the final construction of the new broadcast facility.

Leo Laporte, who now holds the apropos vanity call sign W6TWT will be your host. His TWIT Brick House Studios are located at 140 Keller St. in Petaluma, California. Tours of the new facility, its ham radio station and its classic Collins AM broadcast transmitter will be available 10 am to 7 pm local time each day to all amateur radio operators passing through the area.

And if you happen to work station W6KB during this grand opening event, please QSL direct to W6TWT, P O Box 1018 in Petaluma, California, 94953. You can also drop in and watch the happenings on the web at live.twit.tv. (K9EID)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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INTRUDER WATCH: CODAR AT 24 MHZ

DK2OM reports via the IARU Region 1 website that a Codar ocean wave radar is disturbing radio operations in the 24.920 to 24.990 MHz and its happening around the clock. The location of the offending system is believed to be at or near Venice, Italy. Those hearing these signals report them to your nations Intruder Watch committee.

Codar is an acronym for the Coastal Ocean Dynamics Applications Radar that describes a type of compact High Frequency radar system developed between 1973 and 1983 at the NOAA Wave Propagation Laboratory. It utilizes High Frequency surface wave propagation to remotely measure surface ocean currents and wave height. (IARU)

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WORLDBEAT: HUNGARIAN CHANNEL 1 TV TRANSMITTER GOES AWAY

Hams in Hungary are no longer bothered by a Channel 1 television transmitter wiping out the 6 meter band. At 00:00 on August 15th that TV transmitter was finally closed down after 54 years in service. This, as a part of Europe's overall conversion to digital only operations on the UHF bands. Channel 1 TV operations had been causing considerable interference on 50 MHz to amateur radio operators in the Budapest and surrounding areas. (Southgate)

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WORDBEAT: DUTCH HAM RADIO BULLETINS NOW ON CPMMERCIAL RADIO

A report from the VERON which is the Dutch National Amateur Radio Society headquarters station PI4AA is now a part of that nations RTV Stadskanaal programming. This, as a part of the RTVS Media that covers topics in Amateur Radio, local radio and local news media.

The ham radio report airs every last Tuesday of the month from 8:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m local Netherlands time. This unique partnership is made possible because the PI4AA broadcasts meet the requirements of the standard for I-C-E local public broadcasting. I-C-E stands for Information, Culture and Education.

The broadcast area is south-east and east area of Holland on terrestrial stations 105.3 and 107.8 MHz FM. The cable frequency is 104.1 MHz FM. Listeners outside of The Netherlands can tune in on the web at tinyurl.com/dutch-hamcast. (VERON)

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WORLDBEAT: MS0INT ISLE OF ROCKFALL IN SPRING 2012

A team of four highly experienced Isands on the Air activators have plans to operate from the extremely rare and dangerous Isle of Rockall next spring. The four operators are identified as EA2TA, EA3NT, IZ7ATN and MM0NDX. All are part of the larger MS0INT Adventure Group which has previously been on air from several other hard to reach sites.

Completing the team is Nick Hancock, a noted climber with considerable experience in reachinbg inhospitable places. They aim to stay atop Rockall for maximum 48 hours, in what will be considered one of the most ambitious island activations the ham radio world has seen. Hopes are to be on the air in late May or early June of 2012. (Rockall 2012 Team)

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DX

In DX, word that ZL1AAO, will be on the air from Rarotonga in the South Cook Islands, beginning August 19th for 10 days. He will sign as E51AAO and will operate holiday style using SSB only on 40through 10 meters. QSL only via Logbook of the World, eQSL or direct only. He will upload his log when he returns home.

OK1XD will be active from Lichtenstein portable HB0 between September 1st to the 10th. Operations will be holiday style on 80 through 10 meters using mainly RTTY and PSK31, with some SSB and CW. QSL via his home callsign, either direct or via the bureau.

ZS6AYU, will be active stroke A25 from Botswana between September 9th to the 11th. Operations will probably be on 40 through 10 meters including the 17 and 12 meters using CW only. QSL via ZS6AYU.

KI0SO is active as A35CT from Lifuka Island, Tongo on 20 through 6 meters mostly using SSB. The length of his stay is unknown. QSL via KI0SO to hid Callbook address and expect to wait a while for a response.

A team of German operators will activate Namibia between early December and mid-January of 2012. Operators mentioned are DJ2HD, DH3WO, DK1CE and DJ2BQ, each signing portable V5. Activity will be on 160 through 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL as directed on the air.

And lastly I2KRR is a volunteer technical support person to the Catholic mission in Vanimo and will be active as P29FR in Papua New Guinea until March of 2012. He operates on 40, 20 and 15 meter SSB with his time on the air limited to the local evenings, plus Saturday and Sunday afternoons. QSL without any IRC's to I2RFJ, either direct or by the Bureau.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: PLEASE REMOVE THE BATTERIES BEFORE YOU SHIP ANYTHING THAT TICKS

And finally this week the tale of the ticking box. It comes from Portage, Michigan where an electronic metronome was the cause of a Post Office scare Saturday morning August 13th.

It seems that postal workers noticed a ticking noise coming from a package around 5:30 a.m. Fearing the worst, Portage Police along with the Kalamazoo Department of Public Safety's bomb squad were called in to investigate and the Post Office was evacuated.

In this case, authorities were able to get in contact with the owner of the package, who told police that there was nothing more than an electronic metronome inside. Even so, prior to employees being allowed back inside the building, the bomb squad went in and removed the package. Upon investigation, bomb squad personnel did find nothing more than an electronic metronome inside the package. Postal workers were allowed back into the Post Office just before 8 a.m..

And all this comes with a few words of advice. If you plan to mail a metronome, a clock or anything that makes a ticking noise, take out the batteries before you ship it. That can save your community thousands of dollars spent on an un-needed emergency response and save you a lot of grief. (Kalamazoo News and other published news reports)

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Again, a reminder that this coming September 11th will be the 10th anniversary of the al-Queda backed terrorist attacks on September 11th of 2001. Attacks that felled the two World Trade Center tower buildings in New York City and damaged the Pentagon when radical Moslem extremists high-jacked four United States flag carrier jetliners and crashed them into the two structures and killing over 3000 American citizens.

Over the years there have been several ham radio operations in remembrance of those whose lives were lost in this senseless and wanton carnage. With this being the first decade anniversary of the September 11th, 2001 tragedy, we are trying to compile a list of radio clubs and individuals who are planning any form of ham radio memorial operation to honor those whose lives were lost that day.

Already a group in Pennsylvania and another in New York City are planning on-the-air commemorative operations. If you of any others please drop us an e-mail to newsline at arnewsline dot org and let us know all of the details. We in turn will list as many as we can on our website at www.arnewsline.org starting this week.

Those whose lives were lost on 911 deserve to be remembered. We will do our part by providing web-space to list ham radio commemorative activities. It's up to you to do the rest.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editor's desk, I'm Jim Davis, W2JKD, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-19 15:00:17 UTC
From: Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk
Message-ID: <20110819150003.D092D33C46@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4214
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 21st August 2011

The news headlines:

* G5RP Trophy nominations sought

* ComReg grants EI amateurs up to 1500 watts in contests

* IARU Region 1 conference concluded

The G5RP Trophy is an annual award to encourage newcomers to HF DXing. However, the award is not limited to youngsters or the newly-licensed, the HF DX bug can bite at any age or after many years of experience on other bands. If you are an established HF DXer and want to recommend someone to be awarded the G5RP Trophy for 2011, now is the time to send in your nomination. Your nominee should be an up-and-coming HF DXer who has made rapid progress in the last year and has some real achievements to show, for example, a good total of new countries worked or some serious HF DXpedition activity. This prestigious award will be presented this year at the RSGB Convention on 7 to 9 October. Please send your nominations to Ian Greenshields, G4FSU, QTHR, or by e-mail to ian.greenshields@gmail.com, to arrive no later than Friday 23 September.

A few months ago the Irish Radio Transmitters Society announced that, after some two years of negotiations, Irish regulator ComReg had agreed that EI licensees would be allowed to run high power in specified contests. Everything then went quiet for a couple of months, but ComReg has now published a document on their web site implementing the change. Consequently, suitably equipped Irish contesters are now able to run 1500 watts in major HF contests and 1000 watts in VHF/UHF contests. The list of permitted events is similar to the one in which UK stations may use short contest callsigns, although more contests could be added to the list in due course. Interestingly, the increased power limit applies to 4m and the whole of the 160m band, but, curiously, not the 10m band.

The 22nd International Amateur Radio Union Region 1 General conference, held in Sun City, South Africa has now concluded. For details on the papers, discussions and a gallery of photographs go to the IARU Region 1 website, www.iaru-r1.org.

Thanks to the work of volunteers from the British Amateur Television Club, videos of the presentations given at this year's AMSAT-UK

International Space Colloquium are now available online at www.uk.amsat.org.

Telemetry from the recently-launched ARISSAT-1 suggests that the spacecraft's battery is failing faster than expected. The satellite works when it is in sunlight but resets itself when it goes into eclipse. The ARISSAT-1 team is closely monitoring the situation and is posting news updates at www.arissat1.org.

This weekend the 14th Annual International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend takes place. Stations will be on the air until 2359UTC on the 21st. The basic objective of the fun event is to promote awareness of lighthouses and lightships and their need for preservation, to promote amateur radio, and to foster International goodwill. For an official lists of entrants, which total 439 including 18 lightships, check out the website at www.illw.net.

In addition to scheduled ATV streaming of GB2RS news in the UK via batc.tv and audio podcasts, scheduled transmissions of the GB2RS News are now available courtesy of VK7AX in Tasmania. These broadcasts started on Monday 15 August at 2000hrs local Tasmania time, which is 1000UTC, via voice repeaters, ATV, ATV Video Stream, EchoLink & Allstar.

A Wainwrights on the Air activity weekend will take place on 27 to 29 August. Stations operating from a number of the Lake District Fells, mostly using 2m FM, calling S20, will be on the air. New Activators and Chasers are encouraged to join in. More details can be found at www.wota.org.uk.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

The Rugby, Princethorpe, Annual Radio Rally takes place today, 21 August, at Princethorpe College, Princethorpe, Rugby CV23 9PX. Doors open from 10am to 4pm and admission is £2. Contact Tony on 07759 684 411.

Milton Keynes ARS Rally takes place on 28 August at Bletchley Park, Sherwood Drive, Bletchley, Milton Keynes MK3 6EB. There will be trade stands, special interest groups and GB2BP will be on the air. Why not make this a family day and visit the Bletchley Park museum too? More details can be seen at www.mkars.org.uk.

On bank holiday Monday, 29 August, Huntingdonshire ARS Rally takes place at St Neots Community College, Barford Rd, St Neots PE19 2SH. Doors open at 10am and admission is £2. There will be trade stands, a car boot sale, Bring & Buy and RSGB bookstall. Contact Clive Burchell, G3NKQ, on 01480 810 473.

Now for the news of special events

The Radio Society of Harrow will be operating GX3EFX and demonstrating amateur radio from a 14th Century small barn at the Harrow Museum for

the Harrow in Leaf Show on 28 and 29 August. The museum site consists of a granary, large 16th century tithe barn, with 12th century moated manor house built by the Bishop of Canterbury.

For rugby enthusiasts, look out for ZL4RUGBY operated by ZL4PW from 19 August until 31 October. This is to celebrate the 2011 Rugby World Cup being played in New Zealand.

And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

A group of nine operators from the Telford & District ARS are activating Guernsey under the callsign GP3ZME/P until Wednesday 24 August. They have equipment for all the HF bands, plus 6 and 2 metres, 23cm and all the microwave bands right up to 24GHz. Their locator is IN89QK and further details can be seen on the Telford club website, www.TDARS.co.uk. W7GJ plans to be active from Samoa on a 6m EME DXpedition during the final week of August. His callsign will be 5W0GJ. QSL direct to W7GJ.

A number of operators from South Korea and Japan will operate from the South Korean island of Cheju, which is IOTA reference AS-026, from 19 to 26 August using the callsign D9A. The QSL manager is DS4EOI.

Peter, EI7CC is returning to Lesotho for a short holiday from 18 to 30 August and will be active again as 7P8PB. He hopes to upload his logs to Logbook of the World on a daily basis.

DH2AK and DL1THM will be active as PJ2/DH2AK and PJ2/DL1THM from the island of Curacao from 21 August to 8 September. They will be using an IC-7000 and Buddipole and operating holiday style.

Now the contest news

The Brazilian CVADX Contest CW leg takes place this weekend, 20 and 21 August, from 2100 to 2100UTC. There are lots of different categories and most points to be gained by working Brazilian stations. The SSB leg takes place next weekend, 28 and 29 August. Full rules are online at www.craec.info/2010/images/docs_pdf/cvarules.pdf.

23 August sees the 50MHz UKAC taking place between 1900 and 2130UTC. Using all modes on the band, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

Also on 23 August, the SHF UK Activity Contest takes place at the same time, 1900 to 2130UTC, on the 2.3 to 10GHz bands. Using all modes, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The 80m Club Sprint takes place on 25 August between 1900 and 2030. It's the SSB leg and the exchange is both callsigns, serial number and name.

The IRTS 2m Counties Contest takes place on 28 August from 1300 to 1500 using both FM and SSB. For stations outside EI/GI, work EIs and GIs only, giving them a signal report and serial number. In return you can

expect to receive a signal report, serial number and County. There are awards for the highest placed entrant in each section `outside of EI'. This often results in them going to GI, but not always indeed, some sections often have no entries from outside EI. For a list of the 32 Irish counties, see EI8IC's website at www.mapability.com/ei8ic/contest/eicounty.php.

And now the solar factual data for the period from the 8th to the 14th of August, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on the 15th of August.

Right at the start of the period two of the three large active regions had rotated out of view, but before the last group disappeared it produced the largest solar flare so far this cycle. This flare was rated as an X6/2B, which took place on the 9th, taking solar activity to high levels. Before this, on the 8th, activity was moderate when a M3 flare occurred from the same region. By the 14th the visible solar disc was spotless. This is only the second day with a spotless Sun so far this year; the other was the 27th of January. Solar activity was very low from the 12th. Solar flux levels reflected this by declining from 102 units on the 8th to 83 by the 12th and the 13th. The average was 90 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 14th remained at the same level as the previous week, at 96 units. X-ray flux levels declined from B4.3 units on the 9th to A8.2 by the 13th. The average was B1.8 units. Geomagnetic activity was quiet every day, except for the 8th, which was slightly unsettled with an Ap index of 10 units. Due to the location of the X6 solar flare to the solar limb the ejected material associated with the coronal mass ejection was directed away from Earth and did not cause any magnetic disturbance. The average was Ap 7 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds decline from 650 kilometres per second on the 9th to 300 by the 13th. Speeds then increased to around 500 kilometres per second during the 14th. Particle densities were low every day except for late on the 13th and early on the 14th when they increased to 20 particles per cubic centimetre. Bz varied no more than minus and plus 4 nanoTeslas except for the 14th which varied between minus 6 and plus 10 nanoTeslas.

And now the solar forecast. The first of the three large sunspot groups that generated all the solar flare activity on their last rotation are expected to return. The first should already be in view, however, this was the least active of the three. The other two more active groups are expected on the 21st and the 24th. The level of solar activity will depend on how active these regions are. There is a reasonable chance that activity could increase to moderate levels on some days. Close observations of the STEREO behind images will give a clue of their solar flare potential several days before they rotate into view. Solar flux levels are expected to be around the 110 mark but levels could be lower if the returning regions are not active. Geomagnetic activity could be unsettled today due to a coronal hole and again around Friday and Saturday due to another coronal hole. In both instances only a mild disturbance is expected. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes

should be about 22MHz for the south and 19MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be around 11MHz. Paths to South America should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of about 27MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be around 22MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 1400 and 2100 hours UTC. We are now approaching the end of this summer's Sporadic-E season, but, saying that, opening are still expected, but not every day and probably not on 144MHz.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your

transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS On Sunday 21 August South Birmingham Radio Society is attending the Rugby Radio Rally. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Sunday 21 August Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society is at the Rugby Bring and Buy sale. For more information contact Peter D Rivers, G4XEX, on 01858 432 105.

On Monday 22 August South Birmingham Radio Society is getting ready for the Telford Rally on 4 September. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Monday 22 August Sutton Coldfield Amateur Radio Society is holding a general meeting with discussions and is on the air. More information from Robert Bird, by email to spirit.guide@hotmail.co.uk.

On Tuesday 23 August Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is having a video show. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 23 August Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a practical evening. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Tuesday 23 August Mid-Warwickshire Amateur Radio Society is holding a barbecue from 11am. Details from Don, G4CYG, on 01926 424 465.

On Wednesday 24 August Lincoln Short-Wave Club is preparing for SSB NFD. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Wednesday 24 August Midland Amateur Radio Society is planning for its 80th birthday. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 01214 229 787.

On Wednesday 24 August South Kesteven Amateur Radio Society invites members to bring their DF-100 and show off its progress. Contact Nigel, M0CVO, on 01476 402 550.

On Wednesday 24 August Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night and putting G3ZME on the air. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday 25 August Salop Amateur Radio Society is holding its third fox hunt. Details on the club website at www.salop-ars.org.uk. On Friday 26 August Coventry Amateur Radio Society is having a radio workshop evening. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

On Friday 26 August South Birmingham Radio Society is having a construction evening. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Saturday 27 August Lincoln Short-Wave Club is in the shack. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND On Monday 22 August Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is on the air and having a natter night. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Monday 22 August Bolton Wireless Club is holding a 2m direction finding field event, starting from the Britannia Hotel. For details, send an email to boltonwireless@gmail.com.

On Monday 22 August Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having its summer junk sale. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 22 August South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is holding a technical forum. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Monday 22 August Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by Ken, G3RFH. Details on the web at www.tcars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 23 August Chester & District Amateur Radio Society is closed. Details from Barbara Green on 07957 870 770.

On Tuesday 23 August Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society continues its Foundation and Intermediate courses, is on the air and will be investigating EMC issues. Contact Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341 317.

On Tuesday 23 August Wakefield & District Radio Society continues its Foundation and Advanced courses from 13.30. Details from David, G4CLI, on 07748 221 855.

On Wednesday 24 August Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is having a visit by RSGB Representative G2DPA. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Thursday 25 August Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the 80m Sprint SSB. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Thursday 25 August Oldham Radio Club is holding its AGM. More information from Chris Cunliffe, on 07749 347 142.

On Thursday 25 August Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is preparing for SSB Field Day. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 07876 085 631.

On Thursday 25 August South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having a PC Clinic with Dave, G4UGM. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999. On Thursday 25 August Tynemouth Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the RSGB 80m SSB Club Sprint as G5N. Contact Bob, M6KLO, by email to mail@g0nwm.com.

On Thursday 25 August Wakefield & District Radio Society is having a talk and demo on the new Society node, MB7IWR, by Dave, G4CLI. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563 117.

On Friday 26 August East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is on the air. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND No news items have been received for Northern Ireland this week.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND First, we have a message from the QSL bureau for callsign series holders MM0 Maa to Zzz, MM1, MM3, MM5 and MM6. A large number of QSL cards cannot be forwarded for these callsigns due to the lack of appropriately stamped envelopes. Anyone wishing to receive cards via the bureau is asked to send up to 6, correctly stamped, C5 size end fed envelopes to the QSL sub-manager Brian, MM1HMV, in advance. Listeners are reminded that cards will be held for a maximum period of three months, after which time they will be discarded without notification. Further information is available from Brian via email to mm1hmv@hamall.co.uk.

On Tuesday 23 August Kilmarnock & Loudoun Amateur Radio Club is having a club night. Contact Graham, MM3GDC, by email to mm3gdc@btinternet.com.

On Tuesday 23 August Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having Morse code practice. Details from Norman, on 07740 946 192.

On Thursday 25 August Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is having a VHF fox hunt and preparing for SSB Field day. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA Crawley Amateur Radio Club will be running a Foundation course on the weekend of 15 and 16 October, from 9.30am at Hut 18, Tilagate Recreational Park, Crawley. The closing date for entries is Friday 23 September. Crawley ARC will also be running an Advanced exam on Monday 5 December at 7pm, which will be preceded by four or five weekly seminars to help bring students up to speed. Applications for the exam need to be received by 7 November. For further information and details of how to apply, please contact Malcolm, G3NZP who is QTHR and can be reached on 01342 713 573. On

Sunday 21 August Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is spending the afternoon operating SSB using GB100MWT from the Marconi Hut at Sandford Mill. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Monday 22 August Felixstowe & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a holiday season club net on 145.400MHz from 8pm. More information from Paul, G4YQC, by email to pjw@btinternet.com.

On Tuesday 23 August Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Tuesday 23 August Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is having a club net night. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Tuesday 23 August Dorking & District Radio Society is holding a social evening. Contact Garth, G3NPC, on 01737 359 472.

On Tuesday 23 August Harwell Amateur Radio Society is having a shack activity night. Contact Malcolm, G8NRP, on 01235 524 844.

On Wednesday 24 August Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on early days in radio telegraphy by Chris, M0GVT. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday 24 August Hastings Electronics and Radio Club is having a club meeting. Details from Gordon, on 01424 431 909.

On Wednesday 24 August Newbury & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on the Mozambique DXpedition by Tony, G4LDL. For more information contact Rob, G3LMW, on 01635 862 737.

On Wednesday 24 August Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by John, G4BLJ on his recent trip to VK/ZL. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816 684.

On Thursday 25 August Bittern DX Group is meeting at Pinewood Park Leisure Club. Details from Linda, G0AJJ, on 01692 404 154.

On Thursday 25 August Edgware & District Radio Society is discussing the autumn programme and having an informal evening. More information from Mike, G4RNW, on 02089 500 658.

On Thursday 25 August Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the RSGB 80m Club Sprint SSB contest. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Friday 26 August Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the techniques of radio repairs by Mark, M1MPW. Contact Ron, G3KBR, on 01223 501 712.

On Friday 26 August Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on windmills by Keith Cook. Contact Peter, G4AKG, on 01444 239 371.

On Friday 26 August Wimbledon & District Amateur Radio Society is closed. Contact Andrew Maish, G4ADM, on 02083 353 434.

On Saturday 27 August Bedford and District Amateur Radio Club is holding a special event to celebrate Glenn Miller's contribution to morale and music. Details from Bob Leask, G3XNG, by email to g4ceo@talk21.com. On Sunday 28 August Bedford and District Amateur Radio Club is exhibiting at the MKARS annual rally & boot sale. Details from Bob Leask, G3XNG, by email to g4ceo@talk21.com.

On Sunday 28 August Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is spending the afternoon operating CW as GB100MWT from the Marconi Hut at Sandford Mill. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Sunday 28 August Coalhouse Fort Amateur Radio Society is holding an open day. Contact John Parker, M1DUC, by email to coalhouserad1o@yahoo.com.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST Plymouth Training Team will be starting an Intermediate training course on Monday 5 September at the Cherry Tree, Ham Drive Plymouth, PL2 3NT. The course will be from 7 until 9pm and will last for ten Mondays. The exam is planned for Monday 7th November, but may be varied to suit candidates or availability of the exam centre. For more information contact Bob Griffiths on 01752 343 177 or via g7nhb@hotmail.co.uk.

On Monday 22 August Exeter Amateur Radio Society is having a club night at the Moose Centre. More information from Nick, M6NRJ, on 01363 775756.

On Tuesday 23 August Blackmoor Vale Amateur Radio Society is having an HF evening. Contact Tony, G0GFL, on 01258 860 741.

On Wednesday 24 August Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Thursday 25 August South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

On Thursday 25 August Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having an activity night. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Thursday 25 August Yeovil Amateur Radio Club is holding a committee meeting & putting the club station on the air. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk.

On Friday 26 August North Bristol Amateur Radio Club is performing antenna maintenance. More information from Dick on 01454 218 362.

On Friday 26 August Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on radio in far away places by Roger Western, G3SXW. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES No news items have been received for Wales this week.

775. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-19 20:33:57 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <0973b0e3-febd-4113-be1c-1d73543141fd@b20g2000vbz.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4215

On Aug 19, 5:58 am, 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdg...@

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776. NZART Headquarters Infoline issue 236

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-21 05:38:32 UTC
From: ZL1AMW <infoline@nzart.org.nz>
Message-ID: <8FDA584EFD594ABD9A81BB9EF14D7AE0@AlanLaptop>
Source record: 4216
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

NZART Headquarters Infoline Issue 236

21 August 2011

NZART Website: www.nzart.org.nz

In this issue:

- From the desk of HQ
- Doug Gorman Frequency Measuring Contest
- FMTAG Notes
- IARU Monitoring Service News Region 1 - included with this circulation
- Housekeeping

Debby says.

Subs 2012 - Subscriptions for 2012 are now due, and most members who have received their Break In should have received an invoice included behind the front wrapper. Just to clarify, there is no rebate for early payment this year.

Council discussed this at length at their meeting prior to conference, and while they appreciate the tough economic climate, NZART is not immune to these rising costs. I would therefore urge anyone who is unable to pay the total amount in a lump sum, to perhaps consider taking advantage of the $8 monthly payment option.

Please contact me for further details, the Association needs your continued support.

A special Request - I have received the following request from the son of a silent key, hopefully someone in New Zealand will be able to help, if so please contact Dave directly.

My father was an avid HAM operator in the late 40's and 50's. We lived on Waiheke Island in Auckland until he was drowned in a boating accident in 1957. His call sign was ZL1MG. I remember he had a lot of call cards from other operators and he sent out a few as well. I was wondering if any of your members would happen to have one of his original cards and be willing to send me a copy or be willing to sell it.

David Parkin.

T (home) 09 5253923

T (work) 09 3014471

E (Home d.parkin@xtra.co.nz

E (work) dave.parkin@gen-i.co.nz

Online Call sign lists via NZART web page - The acting NZART web master Alan Wallace ZL1AMW and Call Book Compiler Lorne Douglas ZL2AHB have removed the call sign lists from the NZART web page as it has become out-dated. Radio Spectrum have advised we will be offered a more up to date listing in the near future, however no date has been set at present. Please watch HQ Info-line and the web page for more details.

Doug Gorman Frequency Measuring Contest

Monday 5th September 2011 at 2100 NZST

For the second year the contest will be a blend the old rules with improvements suggested by contestants. Please read the rules carefully.

1. Listen to ZL6A on 3895 kHz LSB for instructions on the frequencies that will be used and the procedure to be adopted. Following the voice instruction an unmodulated carrier will be radiated on 3895 kHz for calibration and/or practice. This frequency will be within +/- 1 Hz of 3895 kHz. Measuring this frequency is not part of the contest but it is to encourage participation with simple equipment.

The contest itself will start at 2115 on the first frequency for five minutes, and every five minutes on a new frequency, for a total of five frequencies. All transmissions will be made within 5 kHz of 3895 kHz. Individual transmission start times may be delayed slightly due to equipment setup and adjustment.

Each transmission will be identified in 10 wpm Morse (CW) for about three minutes to allow the frequency to be located and will then remain key-down for the remaining minutes. At the end of the five minute period the transmission will cease. For station competing in the Ultra Category (see below) note that the last 10 seconds or so of carrier will be considered the reference frequency.

2. Read each frequency as accurately as possible. To qualify for an award it is essential to read at least three of the five frequencies. Only one entry will be accepted for each participant.

3. Post your entry to: Doug Gorman Frequency Measuring Contest, NZART, P0 Box 40-525, Upper Hutt.

4. Entries must be sent within seven days, together with details of equipment used and which section entered (John McKim Cup, Norm Edwards Shield, or Ultra Category). Entries postmarked after Monday 12 Sept will not be considered. Please include your call sign on the actual results entry as envelopes may be discarded.

5. Results

Participants may nominate which of the five frequencies they measured should be considered in their average score, with a minimum of three. The degree of accuracy will be judged by subtracting measurements from the actual transmit frequencies and averaging the nominated results. Do not ask the contest organizer to select your best frequencies.

6. Awards

John McKim Cup for those using simple direct reading type of equipment. This includes a receiver using a calibrated dial or digital readout of kilohertz to one decimal place (100 Hz), or a simple commercial or homemade heterodyne type frequency meter (BC221, LM-10, etc).

Norm Edwards Shield for those using more sophisticated equipment. This includes receivers with digital readout of kilohertz to two or more decimal places (10 Hz or better) and computer methods, oscilloscopes, generators, etc, typically referenced to a local frequency standard (TCXO or ovened oscillator).

Ultra Category for measurements directly referenced to an atomic standard or GPS disciplined oscillator located at the participant's QTH. This does not include off air calibration to WWV, etc, during the contest.

Branch Award certificate to the branch with the lowest average of the three best competitors. If you wish to support your branch, state you branch number and name on your entry form.

Certificates will be provided to all entries with an average deviation of 100 Hz or better.

If you make readings during this activity, but do not wish to have your results published, or if you wish to comment please drop the contest organizers a line so we know how many people were interested.

73 de John ZL4JY

FMTAG NOTES FOR HQ INFOLINE 236 AND NZART WEBSITE

PROPOSALS

None this month.

FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS

Published as Proposals on the NZART website and in HQ Infoline 235. No comments have been received.

Branch 25 Napier has applied to change the channel, and invert the input-output frequency split, of its 8425 repeater located at Taraponui, Topo50 map reference BH38 233618. The repeater's transmit frequency will be 434.050 MHz and its receive frequency will be 439.050 MHz.

ZL2AJ has applied for an APRS Digipeater located at Kauahei Topo50 map reference BL38 166828. The digipeater's transmit and receive frequency will be 144.575 MHz.

COMMENTS AND APPLICATIONS

Please send your comments and suggestions on the above matters, and on any other FMTAG matters, by e-mail to: fmtag@nzart.org.nz

Applications for repeaters, beacons, digipeaters, point-to-point links, and so on, should be made on the latest version of FMTAG Form 10. The latest versions of FMTAG Form 10, and the explanatory Form 10A, are available on the NZART web site:

http://www.nzart.org.nz/fmtag/index.html

Completed forms should be sent by e-mail to fmtag@nzart.org.nz

Housekeeping

1.. Break-In-Closing Date Reminder: Copy for the Sept/October issue of Break-In-closes on 10-September-2011
2.. Copy for Break-In: Copy is welcome in most electronic formats but word.doc files are preferred. Photos and other graphics should be send as separate discrete files (*.jpg preferred); not as embedded pix in the body of the text. Please ensure that suitable descriptive captions/legends are included with your copy.
All received copy will be acknowledged to confirm receipt.
Thank you for your cooperation.
John Walker ZL3IB Editor.
3.. Break-In: Early receipt of copy is much appreciated
4.. Break-In-AREC Column: The close-of-copy date is the 03-September-2011 for articles for publication in the AREC COLUMN OF BREAK-IN. Photos, if available, to be on a separate floppy or CD (with captions), posted DIRECTLY TO US. Use the Call Book address. All other material can go to e-mail:
zl3qr@nzart.org.nz or zl3ov@nzart.org.nz
5.. The ARRL and WIA Weekly News
6.. Subscribe TO/FROM Infoline
Next NZART Official Broadcast is on SUNDAY 28th August 2011 and Next HQ-Infoline e-mailed on SUNDAY 4th September 2011.

777. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2011-025E - Montreal Amateur Radio Club to Host 2012 RAC Annual General Meeting.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-21 08:04:16 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4E50BBF9.3090208@rac.ca>
Source record: 4217
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2011-025E - Montreal Amateur Radio Club to Host 2012 RAC Annual General Meeting.
2011-08-21

The location of the 2012 Annual General Meeting was announced during the 2011 Annual General Meeting [AGM] held in St. John's Newfoundland. The 2011 AGM was hosted by the Society of Newfoundland Radio Amateurs [SONRA]. The 2012 AGM will be held in Montreal and will be hosted by the Montreal Amateur Radio Club. The exact dates will be announced in September or October.

RAC is pleased to come to 'la belle province'. RAC members are urged to come to the AGM and to consider arranging their schedules to add a little vacation to take in the sights and sounds of the cosmopolitan city of Montreal and visit other parts of Quebec.

Stay tuned for more information.

Geoff Bawden, VE4BAW
President and Chair Radio Amateurs of Canada

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Vernon Erle Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
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http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

778. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1024

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-21 18:17:12 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <136025.11065.qm@smtp110.sbc.mail.gq1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 4218
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1024
Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 1024

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Bulletin No. 1024
BID: $OPDX.1024
August 22, 2011
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, K1XN & GoList, NJ1Q & ARRL DX, WV2B, K3GV, NG3K & ADXO, WB3JFS, N4AA & QRZ DX, KH6BZF, K8GI, K8YSE, W8GEX (60m News), W0GJ, AT International, DL1SBF, DG8KAD & The DX News Letter, DxCoffee.com, DX-World.Net, F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX, I1JQJ/IK1ADH & 425 DX News, IK7JWX, IZ3EBA, JA1HGY, OZ6OM & 50 MHz DX News, Pete's-DX-Newsdesk, RSGB IOTA Web Site, VA3RJ & ICPO, VHF-DX-Portal (MMMonVHF), YU1EA and ZL1AAO for the following DX information.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 14th-August, through Sunday, 21st-August there were 212 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5V, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D6, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T32, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VP8, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

5C, MOROCCO (IOTA, LH and WFF Op!). Operators Ruggero/IK2PZC (5C2P), Leo/I8LWL (5C2L), Fred/IK7JWX (5C2J), Simon/IZ7ATN (5C2SG), Ampelio/IS0AGY (5C2B), Mounaim/CN8QY (CN8QY/p) and Belkaid/CN8QX (CN8QX/p) will be active from the city of Dakhla and the lighthouse (ARLHS WSA-001), which is part of the National Park off the coast of Dakhla (WFF CNFF-007),

Morocco, between September 22-29th. Their main purpose of this DXpedition is to activate Herne Island (AF-068) in South Western Sahara IOTA Group (CN), using the callsign 5C2/homecall/p. Activity will be on all HF bands, including 30/17/12m, and 6 meters, using all modes. The team might try an entry in the CQWW DX RTTY Contest (September 24-25th) using the callsign 5C2P. QSL via their home callsigns, direct or by the Bureau. QSL 5C2SG via IZ7ATN, direct (see QRZ.com). QSL CN8QY/p via I8LWL, direct only. The team is looking for sponsors and contributors to help fund the operation.

5W, WESTERN SAMOA. Lance, W7GJ, will be active as 5W0GJ from Western Samoa (OC-097) between August 23-31st. This will be a 6 meter EME DX-pedition. QSL via his home callsign.

9H, MALTA. Gab, HA3JB, will be on a holiday IPA DXpedition from here and will be active as 9H3IP between September 16-27th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK31 and SSTV. Operations will also include the CQWW RTTY Contest (September 24-25th) as a Single-Op/ Single-Band (??) entry. QSOs are valid for the HA-IPARC Award. QSL via HA3JB, direct (w/SAE) to: Gabor Kutasi / H-8601 Si&#65533;fok, P.O.Box 243, Hungary. If you are IPA member please write/add your E-mail address.

9U, BURUNDI. Pierre, ON7CIP, is expected to be active from Bujumbura, possibly as 9U7T (requested callsign). Activity will be limited during his spare time as Pierre is there for work, so this is not a DXpedition. Operations will be on 20 meters SSB and/or PSK31. More details will be forthcoming on QRZ.com. QSL via his home callsign.

C5, THE GAMBIA. Members of the Czech and Slovak OM0C Contest Crew have announced another DXpedition to The Gambia to take place in October and November (specific dates not announced). The OM0C Crew plans to be active in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) and CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as Multi-Multi entries. QSL both operations via OM2FY. Operators mentioned are Rich/OK8WW/OM2TW, Jiri/OK1RI, Norbert/OM6NM, Joe/OM5AW, Dan/OK1DIG, Vlada/OK1NY, Petr/OK1FFU, Jiri/OK1DO, Jan/OM2IB, etc... Look for updates at: http://www.om0c.com

CE9, ANTARCTICA. Tomas, CE9VPM, will be active from Chilean Air Base Presidente Gabriel Gonz&#65533;lez Videla in the Antarctica beginning November 2011 through March 2012. Activity is expected to be on 20 meters and possibly other bands. QSL via PO Box 13630, Santiago, Chile.

CN, MOROCCO. Marko, S55EI, will be active as CN2EI between September 3-20th. Activity will be on mostly on 40/6/2 meters using SSB and PSK31. QSL via his home callsign.

CY9 QSLS WANTED FOR MUSEUM. Duane, WV2B (VA1ZZ), announced the following: "I am interested in creating a display of QSLs from DXpeditions to St. Paul Island (Nova Scotia, Canada) CY9, for donation to the St. Paul Island museum located in Dingwall, NS. Sorry, I just can't afford to pay 10 USDs for each one on eBay, but would like to be sure the museum is able to recognize the history of DXpeditions and radio operations from the island

with a display of actual QSL cards issued for contacts from the island. So, if anyone has old cards they no longer want, have duplicates of, from an SK or whatever, I would sure like to have them. Just need one from each activation in good condition for framing and display. Incidently, the lighthouse from SW St. Paul which had been on display at the Coast Guard HQ in Dartmouth is now at the museum and being reassembled there. Check out the St. Paul Island Historical Society on facebook to see pics of the project..... 73 for now, Duane, WV2B (VA1ZZ)."

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS (Update/Correction). Bruce, ZL1AAO (ed. Not Ron as reported last week - I must of been thinking of ZL1AMO), will be active from Rarotonga Island (IOTA OC-013), South Cook Islands, beginning August 19th, for 10 days. He will sign as E51AAO. Bruce told OPDX that this will be his first visit on the island. Activity will be holiday style, and he will be operational on SSB only, 40-10 meters, using 100 watts to a dipole or 1/4 wave GP antennas. QSL via LoTW, eQSL and direct only; sorry no Bureau cards. He will upload the log when he returns home.

EA/EF/EG, SPAIN (Special Event). Look for the following 20 special event stations to be active between August 23rd and September 11th: EF1AST, EF1DFP, EF1DR, EF1HLW, EF2RC, EF2TW, EF4GEL, EF4RCH, EF4TD, EF5AR, EF5DY, EF5GUI, EF7CIN, EF7FT, EF7JB, EF7TV, EF8AKN, EG5DM, EG5FL and EG5KB. Each station active represents a football team competing in the Spanish Football League Teams (EA-FLT). A special "2011 EA - Football League Teams Award" is available. Complete details are available at: http://www.ea-flt.com

ER, MOLDOVA. Victor, ER3MM, from Beltsy, states that he is pretty much on the air daily from 1800-2100z, and usually on 15, 17 or 20 meters. QSL via his address on QRZ.com.

FH/TO, MAYOTTE. Hartwig, DL7BC, will be active as FH/DL7BC from Mayotte Island (AF-027) between March 21st and April 6th (2012). His activity will include an entry in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest, possibly using a TO callsign. QSL via the info on QRZ.com or Hartwig's Web site at: http://www.qslnet.de/member/dl7bc/index.htm

FR, REUNION ISLAND. Willi, DJ7RJ, will once again be active as FR/DJ7RJ from Reunion Island (AF-016) between October 4-26th. Activity will be focused on the lower bands using a Elecraft K2 with a 500 watt amp into an inverted L antenna. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct (see details on QRZ.com).

II9, ITALY. Members of the "OK CIAO Contest Club" will be active from IT9GSF's station using the special callsign II9T from Sicily (EU-025) during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) and the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Multi-Op/Two-TX entry. Operators mentioned are Vincenzo/IT9CHU, Marcello/IT9CJC, Antonllo/IT9EQO, Gianni/IT9BUN and an international team of friends. They are looking for operators (contact IT9GSF). They also mention the two stations to take part in the contests will operate as follows:
Station 1 Multi Op/Two TXs - operators required;

Station 2 Sinlge-Op (20m) and Sinlge-Op (80m) during CQWW SSB; PLEASE
NOTE: Station 2 Sinlge-Op (20m) and Single-Op (160m) during
the CQWW DX CW Contest.
QSL via IT9CHU.

IM0/IS0, SARDINIA. Max, IZ4JMA, will operate from two different Sardinian islands between September 3-17th. His tenative schedule is as follows:
September 3-10th - From Isuledda Island (EU-024); callsign IS0/IZ4JMA
September 10-17th - From La Maddalena Island (EU-041); callsign IM0/IZ4JMA
Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

IOTA NEWS.....
EU-011. Members of the Wessex Contest Group will be active from the Isle of St. Martin's, Isles of Scilly, using the club callsign MX0WCB between September 11-17th. Operators mentioned are Dave/M0SFT, Simon/M0TTE and Dan/M0TGN. Activity will be mainly QRP, on 40/20/17/15/10 meters. The team will use 3 x FT817, a Clansman PR320 and an FT897 as the main shack radio. QSL direct, by the Bureau, eQSL or via M0WAY. Visit the club's Web site at: http://mx0wcb.blogspot.com

EU-065. Operators Dick/F6DXE, Andy/F4ELK and Tartuff/F4ELI will be active as TM5Q from Qu�m�n�s Island (DIFM AT-039) between September 30th and October 2nd. Activity will be on 40/20/15/10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via F4ELI, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-138. Fred, SM7DAY, will be active as SM7DAY/P from Senoren Island between now and August 28th. Activity will be on most HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

NA-029. George, K3GV, will be active as K3GV/VY2 from Prince Edward Island between September 1-30th. Activity will be mainly on 20 and 15 meters. QSL via his home callsign.

SA-020. Operators Tonio/F4ACR, Christophe/F4CRE, Denis/F4DNU, Jean-Paul/F5OQK, Jean-Pierre/F6AIM and Jean-Pascal/FY5LH will be active as TO5G from Royale Island, Salut Islands, French Guiana, between January 2-7th, 2012. QSL via F5KDR, direct or by the Bureau. More details will be forthcoming.

KH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Al, W6HGF, will be active as W6HGF/KH0 from Saipan (OC-086, USI NI002S, WLOTA 1333), Northern Mariana Islands, between September 20-30th. He will be staying at the Saipan Rental Shack, and plans to focus his operation on RTTY. The CQWW RTTY Contest is held during that next weekend, and if all is going well, he will participate. He will use the other modes when time permits. QSL via LoTW is preferred, and will be uploaded daily during operations. QSL direct is also "OK". For more details, check his Web page at:
http://www.qsl.net/w6hgf/SAIPAN-W6HGF_KH0.html

ADDED NOTE: Al is also in the planning stage to make a trip to Ascension Island during November 2011. More details will be available after his Saipan opertaion. He is also thinking of going back to Miquelon Island (FP) next March 2012 (he was there earlier in March of this year), but that is just in the thinking stage.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (August 22-28th)....
Aug 22 HN SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS
Aug 23 AN --------------------
Aug 24 HN BN - Below Normal
Aug 25 HN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Aug 26 HN-AN LN - Low Normal
Aug 27 HN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Aug 28 HN DIS - Disturbed
VDIS - Very Disturbed

GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

NCDXF PRESS RELEASE. Glenn Johnson, W0GJ, NCDXF Vice President, sent out the following press release on August 18th: "The Northern California DX Foundation" (NCDXF) is pleased to announce that G. Kip Edwards, W6SZN, is the new Secretary of NCDXF effective August 1, 2011. Kip rejoined NCDXF as a director approximately two years ago and replaces Tom McShane, NW6P, who resigned for health reasons. The board and officers of NCDXF are pleased that Kip would take on these added responsibilities."

OH0, ALAND ISLANDS. Nao, JA1HGY, will be active as OH0HG from Aland Islands (EU-002) between September 2-4th. Activity will be on CW, SSB and RTTY, and include an entry in the All Asian DX Contest SSB Contest. ADDED NOTE: Nao is expected to also sign as OH0HG/OH2 before and after his trip to the Aland Islands, where he will visit the mainland Finland, and meet Martti, OH2BH, to celebrate their long term friendship (since 1961). QSL via JA1HGY. Online log will be available on QRZ.com.

OJ, MARKET REEF. Operators Hans/PA0VHA, Steef/PA2A, Jack/PA3BAG, Will/PA3ALK and Wim/PA2AM to be active as OJ0CC from Market Reef (EU-053) between August 27th and September 2nd. QSL via PA2A. For more details, look at: http://www.pa2am.nl --or-- http://www.pi4cc.nl

OOOPPPSS DEPARTMENT. WOW! Your editor needs to change his reading glasses and some of his fingers are working ahead of themselves or out of turn on this one. In OPDX.1022, under "VP2V, U.S. VIGRIN ISLANDS." should have read "VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS.". Please correct last week's bulletin.

P4, ARUBA. Operators Bob/W3BTX (P49T) and Roy/W3TEF will once again be active from Aruba (SA-036) between August 31st and September 7th. Activity

will be holiday style on 160-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL P49T via W3BTX.

PA11, NETHERLANDS (Special Event). Fred, PA0FAW, will activate special event station PA11WSF between September 1-25th. Activity will take place during the "World Statues Festival" which is held in Arnhem. Operations will be mainly on CW and PSK31, with some activity of which will be from WFF-FF-005. QSL via PA0FAW, direct, by the Bureau, eQSL, no LoTW, and SWL-reports very welcome.

PJ5, SABA AND ST. EUSTATIUS. Operators Wlodek/SP6EQZ and Janusz/SP6IXF will once again be active as PJ5/SP6EQZ and PJ5/SP6IXF from St. Eustatius (NA-145) between October 20th and November 3rd. Activity will be on all HF bands, 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via their home callsigns, direct or by the Bureau.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated August 21st)

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3G6CS via CE6CS CT2HXM via F6KOP HB0/IZ2QCP via
IZ2QCP
3Z0MFF via SP9PTG CT8/DC2CT via DC2CT HF6WGC via SP6CES
3Z85LKK via SP8AUP CT8/DK6EA via DK6EA HF85LKK via SP8IQQ
4X/LY2H via LY2H CW1R via CX1AA HG5MORSE via HA5BA
5H3EE via DL4ME DA0LCC/LH via DH4HAN HG50MHZ via HA5HRK
5Q4B via OZ5EV (direct) DA0WLH via DL4NH ID9/IT9LKX via
IT9LKX
7S5LH via SM5ZCI DA2011LH via DH3WO IM0P via IZ1DNJ
9A/OE3MCS/P via OE3MCS DF0DLFF via DL7AFS IT9/ON4ENL via
ON4ENL
9A/VE3ZIK via DK8ZZ DN0AWG/LH via DO1OMA KH2L via W3HNK
A71/JY5FX via JY5FX - (Address DU2/OE5LXP via OE5LXP - LO2F via AC7DX
in Qatar) (eQSL only) LR5D via LU4AA
AT0ULH via VU2CDP EG1GEG via EA1LT LX8RTTY via LX1DA
CG100NS via VE1CDD EG1TDH via EA1HNP M0YEC via DK5CF
CO6CAC via EA5KB EH8FLH via EA8AKN MJ/I1FQH via I1FQH
CR5LSV via CT5KAO EO18IKN via US6IKN N7L via K7VV
CR5L via CT1DSV GB0BHL via G0TQT NP2X via K5WW
CR6LH via CT1GZB GB2LBN via GM4UYZ OE/DK7FK via DK7FK

OE/ON4UP via ON4UP SN5N via SP5KP
OE9/DK9ES via DK9ES SP/DD3JA/P via DD3JA
OJ0VM via OH6VM T32JB via I5JHW
ON30CLM via ON6HC TC7LHW via TA7EB
OX3XR via OZ3PZ TK/F4FXP/P via F4FXP
OZ/DL5SE via DL5SE TK/IK1TJK via IK1TJK
OZ0FR/P via DL2VFR TM11NOR via F5UBH
PG6HK/LH via PD2J UN3M via EA7FTR
PQ8OP via PT2OP UP7Z via UN7ZZ
PQ8RS via PU1KGG UP44Q via UN0GL

PQ8XB via PT7WA VK2IZI via EB7DX
R3ARS/1 via RA3AKF YF8RIM via EA7FTR
R10RTRS/3 via R7AA YY7OMF via YV5AJ
RA/JA8BMK via UA0CA Z330A via Z30A
RA/N6TR via N6TR ZA/IW7DZJ via IW7DZJ
RE0RFF/0 via RA0Q ZA/YU1FW via YU1FW
RW9QA via W3HNK ZB2LGT via ZB2JK
ZS6/4Z5LA via 4Z5LA

QSL AT0ULH via VU2CDP. Activity was from the Uttan Point Lighthouse (WLOL IND-119) during the International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend. Operators were Akshay/VU2BUG, Basappa/VU2NXM, Deepak/VU2CDP and Nandu/VU2NKS.

QSL IL3A via IK3HHX, by the Bureau or direct. Activity was by the Extreme DX & Contest Group, from Vignole Island (EU-131, IIA VE-017). For more info, see QRZ.com or <http://www.extremegroup.org>.

VU4PB on LoTW! Prasad, VU2PTT, informs the DX community this past week that the complete VU4PB log has been uploaded to LoTW.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 7Q7VB, EA3IN, IK3ORD, IS0B, IZ6CLN, J7A, JA1BOQ, KH7Y, MO0GSY, PI4CC, PR2P, PY4LH, TY1KS, V31RN, V47KP, V48M, VE9MY, VP6BR, ZD8D and ZL1ALZ

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3DA0ZO, CR2X, J87AB, PV8ADI and PY0FO

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: NONE REPORTED THIS WEEK!

SU, EGYPT. After his 9H3IP operation (see above) Gab, HA3JB, will once again be active as SU/HA3JB - his renewed license is valid until November 30th. Activity will be on on CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK31 and SSTV. He will also be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (??) entry. QSOs are valid for the HA-IPARC Award. QSL via HA3JB, direct (w/SAE) to: Gabor Kutasi / H-8601 Si&#65533;fok, P.O.Box 243, Hungary. If you are IPA member please write/add your E-mail address.

T32, EAST KIRIBATI. Only a few more days to work Giovanni, I5JHW, as T32JB from the Captain Cook Hotel on Christmas Island (OC-024) until August 24th. Activity will be holiday style on CW, SSB and RTTY, using an IC-718 and a 7-band vertical antenna. QSL via I5JHW. ADDED NOTE: Giovanni is actually on a family vacation which also includes Fiji (3D2HW) and New Caledonia (possibly his renewed callsign FK/I5JH), but the main operations is from Christmas Island. For more details, visit his Web page at: http://i5jhw.weebly.com

T8, PALAU. Tatsuo, JA8CMC, will be active as T88TO from Palau (OC-009) between September 16-19th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign.

TK, CORSICA. Operators Patrice/F5RBB and his XYL Mireille/F4FRL will be active as TK/homecall from Corsica between September 10-24th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via their

home callsign, direct or by the REF Bureau.

V3, BELIZE. Norman, 5B4AIF, will be active as V31NB from Placencia (V31MD's rental QTH) between December 16-27th. He hopes to operate on as many bands as possible, but SSB only. QSL via EB7DX. Norman will upload his log as many times as he can, but does not know how good the InterNet will be so please be patient. Log will be available at:
http://www.clublog.org/logsearch/V31NB

VI6, AUSTRALIA (Special Event - Big Callsign). The Scout Member Amateur Radio Team (SMART) in the VK6 district has been given the special callsign, VI6CHOGM, to be active between October 28-30th. Activity is to celebrate the "Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting" (CHOGM) in Perth, Western Australia, to discuss global and Commonwealth issues, and to agree on collective policies and initiatives. They plan to operate as much as possible from the Peter Hughes Scout Communications Centre in East Cannington, although other clubs may wish to book a period to operate from their club QTH. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using the "World Scout Calling Frequencies", mostly on SSB, as well as PSK31 and SSTV. There may be some CW. QSL via the Bureau or direct (see QRZ.com). For more details, updates and operating frequencies, see the VI6CHOGM Web page at: http://vi6chogm.com

ZA, ALBANIA. Operators Dusan/YU1EA and Branko/YU1FW are currently active as ZA/homecall until August 22nd. Activity is on all HF bands and modes. QSL via LoTW or by the QSL Bureau to YU1EA.

ZK2, NIUE. Steven, ZL4CZ, will be active as ZK2AB from Namukulu Village between September 9-16th. Activity will be limited because he is on holiday, but hope to fit in as much radio as possible. He will use a Yeasu FT840 (with a FT857 for backup) and a 32 ft. multi-band vertical and Buddipole for antennas. QSL via ZL4CZ; must include SAE and IRC or 2 USDs.

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779. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 21st August 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-21 20:00:10 UTC
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Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 21st August 2011

Two Metres Counties Contest

This contest, which takes place on Sunday next, 28th August, from 2.00 pm to 4.00 pm local time, provides a great opportunity to liven up the two metre band. The 32 counties in EI and GI are multipliers, so the rarer counties will be in great demand.

Both SSB and FM can be used and a station may be worked on both modes. The contest rules specify that after any QSO in which you are called by another station, you must QSY to another channel (FM), or by at least 3 kHz (SSB), before soliciting another QSO; when you respond to a CQ or QRZ from another station, you then have the right to that frequency for a single additional QSO before QSYing. See www.irts.ie/contests for more details about this and other IRTS contests.

Increased Power for Contests

Following representations from IRTS, ComReg has agreed to allow increased power to all licensed amateurs for a specific list of the major HF and VHF/UHF contests. On HF, 1500 watts can be used and on VHF 1000 watts for the duration of the contests concerned. Through an error the 28 MHz band was omitted from the multiband contests. This will be taken up with ComReg The list of contests and other details can be found on the ComReg website under Radio Spectrum Licensing Licence Types Radio Amateurs. The society is grateful to ComReg for granting this additional facility to radio amateurs generally.

IARU 2011 Regional Conference

Seamus EI8BP IRTS Vice-President/PRO and Ger McNamara EI4GXB IRTS Hon. Secretary represented the society at the 22nd IARU Region 1 General Conference at Sun City, South Africa 12-19 August. Over 100 papers were discussed over the period of the Conference by three main Committees. The recommendations of these committees goes to Plenary sessions for ratification.

IRTS had submitted a paper on the regulation of transnational remote controlled operation which also raised the question of its use in

contests as well as the use of appropriate call signs that would clearly show the location of the station and the operator if different. The paper was adopted and the HF Committee was mandated to look into the matter. Revised band plans for 50 and 70 MHz were also agreed.

The work of the committees is scheduled in such a way that two delegates can cover the work of the conference.

Many years ago the Society established a fund into which part of the subscription income is lodged each year so as to allow the Society to actively participate in the work of these three yearly conferences.

Bulgaria was voted as the next venue for the 23rd IARU Region 1 conference in 2014 sponsored by the BULGARIAN FEDERATION OF RADIO AMATEURS (BFRA)

ARISSat-1 Presentation

South Dublin Radio Club has now resumed its Tuesday meetings. At the first meeting after the holidays, John EI7BV made a presentation on amateur radio satellites, in particular ARISSat-1, the satellite which was launched earlier this month from the International Space Station.

John's talk focussed on sources of information for the frequencies and pass times of amateur radio satellites in addition to the software available to assist in satellite tracking. He also covered the antenna requirements for satellite operation.

ARISSat-1 was within sight of the club QTH during this talk and an effort was made to monitor some of the downlinks. In the event, nothing was heard; we later learned that the satellite's batteries are failing faster than expected, so its power management system is cutting transmit power from time to time - which is possibly why no signals were detected during John's presentation.

Cork Radio Club

Subject to demand, Cork Radio Club plan to hold theory classes again over the coming months. Interested parties should contact club secretary Dave EI4BZ on 087-6290574 or email to ei4bz at eircom dot net.

The club will be represented at the SSB Field Day at Garbally College in Ballinasloe in two weeks time and would welcome new members who would like to travel and experience field day operating.

North Cork Radio Group

The North Cork Radio Group is pleased to announce their second annual rally and electronics fair at the Blarney Golf Resort, Tower, Co Cork. on Sunday September the 11th 2011.

The doors open to the public at 11.30 and the rally will run throughout the afternoon. The usual traders will be on hand with some very tasty bargains, South East Communications, Long Communications and JBT Trading.

The Hotel are also offering room deals for the rally a Room Only from 59 and Double Room inc B&B: 79 Please Contact the hotel directly for room bookings on Tel:+353 21 4384477.www.blarneygolfresort.com

Small traders are very welcome but it essential that they contact the events organiser Liam EI7GTB, Tel: 086-3357100 Email:ei7gtb/ at /gmail/ dot/com as soon as possible.

Further details can be found via the group's website, www.ei1nc.com.com

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Shannon Basin Radio Club

Once again the Shannon Basin Radio Club will be hosting the SSB field day on the weekend of 3rd and 4th September 2011. The grounds of Garbally College in Ballinasloe in Co. Galway have again been made available to any clubs or individual operators who wish to take part in the event. The club will also be hosting its very popular barbeque which is one of the highlights of the weekend. Anybody wishing to receive more information may contact Brian ei8iu by email "brianei8iu/ at / eircom dot /net or any club member.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

780. Re: get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-21 20:13:55 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
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On Aug 17, 7:35 pm, kb9rqz <m...@kb9rqz.com> wrote:
> On Aug 12, 8:38 pm, kb9rqz <Mork.Mor...@

781. [RAC-Bulletin] EMCOMM : Calgary ARES Information Meeting - September 7, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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EMCOMM : Calgary ARES Information Meeting - September 7, 2011
2011-08-21

There will be an information meeting about the future of ARES Calgary
and Area.

Doug Howard VE6CID, ARES Calgary Emergency Coordinator has booked
space at:

Location: Jubilee Christian Centre, 458 35 Avenue Northwest, Calgary, AB
>Date: September 7th, 2011 at 19:00 MDT

Let's see what everyone wants to do and how many of us want to make
this happen. All amateurs are welcome, from all clubs. Mark your
calendar and please pass this around.

Please RSVP to Doug Howard at ve6cid@me.com

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Cross-posted to: rec.radio.info,rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.answers,news.answers

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/rec-radio-info/welcome
Revision: 1.4 2008/02/09 19:36:10
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

*** Welcome to rec.radio.info! ***

Welcome to rec.radio.info, a group that aims to provide a noise-free
source of information and news for the entire rec.radio hierarchy.

Two introductory articles about rec.radio.info are posted to the group
every month. You are now reading the first article, which explains what
rec.radio.info is, and answers some Frequently Asked Questions. The
second article is titled Posting Guidelines, and you only need to read
it if you want to submit an article to rec.radio.info.

You can skip to the next section of this article by searching for the
next
" -- " string. The sections available are:
- What is the purpose of rec.radio.info?
- Why are messages almost always cross posted to rec.radio.info?
- What is a 'follow-up', and what does 'moderated' mean?
- OK, so now I know what 'moderated' means. Tell me more.
- What type of material is considered inappropriate?
- I do not have access to news, how can I get the information posted to
rec.radio.info?
- Will the material appearing in rec.radio.info be archived somewhere?
- I have a regular posting with timely information, is there a way to
speed up it's delivery, or automate for more convenience?

-- What is the purpose of rec.radio.info?

The purpose or charter of rec.radio.info is to provide the Usenet
community with a resource for information, news, and facts about any and
all things radio.

All the other rec.radio groups are intended for discussions and general
chit chat about radio. Rec.radio.info will contain informational,
factual articles only. Follow-ups are redirected to an appropriate other
group, and further discussion (if any) will not take place in
rec.radio.info.
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In order to ensure that rec.radio.info contains only appropriate articles, it was decided to create the group as a moderated newsgroup.

-- Why are messages almost always cross posted to rec.radio.info?

It provides a "tag" for each article to be assembled into a filtered presentation in rec.radio.info (even with cross-posting, only one message, with a unique Message-ID, is propagated across the net). This tag also facilitates a pre-existing method of dropping or canceling the articles locally within the discussion groups if you don't want to see them. This accommodates individuals who want to separate the bulletins from the discussions, discussions from the bulletins, as well as those who are adamant about not reading another newsgroup and wanted to see everything all in one basket.

With the total size of Usenet (in number of newsgroups and total traffic) doubling every year or so, this is no insignificant contribution to reducing information noise and chaos. Making the discussion groups a catch-all, and making extra newsgroups filters on that catch-all, is also the most realistic way to implement such a scheme (It's not intuitively obvious what the charter, contents, and general appropriate topics for each and every newsgroup are. Seeing FAQ's and charter/intro postings in the home newsgroup is beneficial for new readers).

By cross-posting one only is adding a few tens of bytes to each bulletin (to specify the extra group on the Newsgroups line), but are adding the capability for very powerful filtering features available on most news servers, listservers and readers. Your local news guru could probably explain these features in more detail.

In rn, for example, according to Leanne Phillips in her rn kill-file FAQ, add a line of the form:

/Newsgroups:.*[,]rec\.radio\.info/h:j

either in ~/News/KILL (if you don't want to see rec.radio.info articles anywhere) or ~/News/rec/radio/amateur/misc/KILL (if you don't want to see them just in rec.radio.amateur.misc). The latter method means your kill file will only be consulted during rec.radio.amateur.misc (and hence runs more efficiently), and will probably work for most people.

In nn, according to Bill Wohler in his nn FAQ, add a line of the form:

rec.radio.info:!s/:^

in ~/.nn/kill (if you don't want to see rec.radio.info articles anywhere), or put the following lines:

sequence
rec.radio.info
rec.radio.

at the end of ~/.nn/init in order to see all the rec.radio.info bulletins first, then read the remaining rec.radio.* without the

bulletins.

In slrn, according to the srln FAQ, the following scoring rule will | allow you to see rec.radio.info-crossposted bulletins, while still | filtering out most SPAM or "Velveeta" crossposted to more than 2 | newsgroups (as such articles usually do not contain a 'Followup-To:' | header): |

Score: -9999 |
Newsgroups: ,.*, |
~Followup-To: . |

More information about kill files may be obtained from Dave Fawthrop's Killfile FAQ at:

http://www.hyphenologist.co.uk/killfile/

-- What is a 'follow-up', and what does 'moderated' mean?

If you are new to Usenet and are not familiar with the terminology, you might want to read the general introductory articles found in the newsgroup news.announce.newusers. Doing so will make your life on the net much easier, and will probably save you from making silly beginner's mistakes.

If you think that at this moment you are reading an echo, a conference, or a bulletin board, I'd also strongly suggest a trip over to news.announce.newusers.

For the rest of this article, we will assume you have a basic knowledge of Usenet terminology and mechanics.

A moderated group means that any article that needs to be posted to the group has to be accepted by the moderator of the group. Since we need to ensure that followups to an article (discussion) do not show up in the rec.radio.info newsgroup, the `Followup-To:' header line contains a newsgroup that is appropriate for discussions about the specific article.

-- OK, so now I know what 'moderated' means. Tell me more.

Rec.radio.info is a moderated newsgroup, which means that all articles submitted to the group will have to be approved by the moderator first.

The current moderator of the group is the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team. Submissions to rec.radio.info can be posted, or e-mailed to:

rec-radio-info@panix.com

Comments, criticisms, suggestions or questions about the group can be e-mailed to:

rec-radio-info-request@panix.com

But before you do so, please be sure to check out the "Posting Guidelines" article.

The influence of the moderator should be minimal and of an administrative nature, consisting chiefly of weeding out obviously inappropriate articles, while making sure correct headers etc. are used for the appropriate ones.

-- What type of material is considered inappropriate?

There are three broad categories of articles which will be rejected by the moderator:

1) Requests for information: rec.radio.info is strictly a one-way street. We receive information in our mailbox; we then post it to rec.radio.info. Requests for specific information belong in the normal discussion newsgroups. If your request gets answered, you might consider passing the answer on to rec.radio.info, though. Especially if you can edit it into a informational, rather than a discussion, format.

2) Obvious discussion articles, or articles that appear unsubstantiated.

3) Commercial stuff: a relatively unbiased test of a radio product would be accepted, but any hint of for-profit might be reason for rejection. For three reasons: This is not the purpose of the list, for-profit is a controversial topic, and this list may be passed onto Amateur Packet Radio (where for-profit is prohibited except under certain provisos).

rec.radio.swap may be more deserving of the posting in any matter.

Similarly, copyrighted material generally cannot be used. If it's TRULY worthwhile to the net, We would recommend obtaining permission from the copyright holder. Please note the source, and if permission was given. We reserve the right to make the final decision concerning appropriateness in all situations. In most cases, a brief summary of, or pointer to, the copyrighted information may be all we can allow.

-- I do not have access to news, how can I get the information posted to rec.radio.info?

Google has an excellent web interface to Usenet newsgroups. It is available at:

http://groups.google.com

It supports both reading and posting.

Another excellent web interface to at least the radio-related Usenet newsgroups is the RadioBanter site:

http://www.radiobanter.com

sponsored by the NewsgroupBanter project:

http://www.newsgroupbanter.com

It, too, supports both reading and posting.

-- Will the material appearing in rec.radio.info be archived somewhere?

Yes. See Google Groups and RadioBanter above.

Effectively this means that anything you post to rec.radio.info will be permanently stored, so your work will not be lost.

-- I have a regular posting with timely information, is there a way to speed up it's delivery, or automate for more convenience?

Yes, there is! It may take a bit of chatter with the moderator, but we are willing to take responsible people and provide them the means of posting the articles directly from their site. We will try everything we can as we fully realize that DX (distant signal) and astronomical data can be somewhat transitory. We are also willing to allow regular posters of information the same courtesy, even if the information is not as time critical.

We refer to this as self-moderation, which is partly based on the model for rec.answers/news.answers. This requires co-operation and goodwill to be beneficial to the community in the rec.radio hierarchy.

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms about this article to rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

(Adapted, with permission, from the original article written by Mark Salyzyn, AG4YD, ex-VE6MGS.)

783. rec.radio.info Posting Guidelines

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-22 06:05:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/rec-radio-info/guidelines-1-1313993100@panix.com>
Source record: 4223
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.info,rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.answers,news.answers

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/rec-radio-info/guidelines
Revision: 1.5 2007/03/22 16:30:49
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

*** rec.radio.info - Posting Guidelines and Etiquette ***

Two introductory articles about rec.radio.info are posted to this group
and to rec.answers/news.answers every month. You are now reading the
second article, which explains how to submit something to
rec.radio.info, and which answers some Frequently Asked Questions about
the submission process. The first article is titled "Welcome to
rec.radio.info", and it might be a good idea to check it out as well.

-- How do I submit something to rec.radio.info?

Two possibilities. You can use your newsreading software to just post
the article to rec.radio.info, as you would do with any other
newsgroup. The difference is that the software recognizes the special
status of rec.radio.info as a moderated group, and will e-mail your
article to us, the moderation team, instead of posting it to the group.

Alternatively, you can mail your article directly to us at the following
address:

rec-radio-info@panix.com

Mailing us directly is probably (a wee bit) faster, but using the
transparency offered by the newsreading software is probably more
convenient.

If you have any questions, or wish to deal with some administrivia with
the moderation team, we suggest mailing to the following address:

rec-radio-info-request@panix.com

-- How soon will I see my article appear?

It depends on how busy we are. Your article reaches us as mail, we have
to read it first, give it the stamp of approval, and finally send it on
to the group. We will attempt to read and decide on all submissions
within 72 hours at the very least, though we will probably be able to
process submissions much faster in actual practice.
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The site from which we moderate this newsgroup, "Public Access Internet and Unix, NYC" (Panix), is directly connected to the Internet, and articles posted at that site should appear at most major news sites, including Google Groups, the same day. The principal delay, therefore, will be the wait in the moderator's submission queue.

If you post a periodic article, and have shown to be trustworthy, we may allow you to post directly if the article is of a timely nature. See the section below on direct posting.

-- Should my article be in a specific format?

No. If it is not totally illegible, we will accept it, and if it does not have a correct subject-line we will correct it with your permission -- that's what a moderator is for.

However.

You could do us a big favor by making sure your article conforms to these simple requirements:

1) The article must present information, not discussion or requests, We will reject the article or require you to change the wording if it is worth it.
2) A good, descriptive Subject line.
3) Always mention what source you got the information from.
4) Don't forget to include a Followup-To header, at least if you don't want further discussion to automatically be forwarded to you, the poster, which is the default if the article is only posted to rec.radio.info.

As we said: if your article is appropriate we will post it even if you don't follow these guidelines, but then don't blame us for not processing it immediately. 'Perfect' articles we can send on with a couple of keystrokes. Stuff that needs minor editing is going to have to wait until we have time to do so.

Please do not waste both our and your time by posting requests, as this is an information only news group.

-- What about crossposting?

If you send something to rec.radio.info, just name any group you'd like to cross-post to in the Newsgroups field. Then, when we approve the article for rec.radio.info it will get automatically cross-posted to any other groups mentioned. This will also override the default Followup-To: poster, replacing it with the groups you cross posted to.

We would prefer if the group be cross-posted to the various discussion groups in the rec.radio.* hierarchy that are appropriate:

rec.radio.amateur.misc Amateur (ham) radio and related matters
rec.radio.amateur.packet Amateur Packet Radio discussions
rec.radio.amateur.policy Amateur Radio practices, rules, etc.
rec.radio.noncomm Non commercial radio discussions

rec.radio.shortwave International broadcasting on the 'HF' bands
rec.radio.cb Citizens Band (27 MHz) discussion
rec.radio.scanner Scanner discussions (unsupported group)

or in one of the moderated groups:

rec.radio.amateur.moderated Amateur radio practices, rules, etc.
rec.radio.broadcasting Discussion of *domestic* radio broadcasting

We will leave it up to the poster to decide which group(s) are appropriate, but reserve the right to add groups if we feel it has broader interest. We will consult with the poster first.

Notes on crossposting:

- rec.radio.broadcasting is also a moderated group. The rec.radio.broadcasting moderator prefers to review all articles himself before posting. Placing rec.radio.broadcasting before rec.radio.info on the Newsgroups line should accomplish this. We will typically abide by the rec.radio.broadcasting moderator's decision whether the article is appropriate for rec.radio.info.

- rec.radio.amateur.moderated is also a moderated group. As the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team manages both rec.radio.amateur.moderated and rec.radio.info, we can manage crossposting and approvals for both newsgroups. The rec.radio.amateur.moderated group does not allow crossposting to other discussion newsgroups, whether moderated or unmoderated. However, we would like to manage rec.radio.info as consistently as possible with how it was done by previous moderators, including the grandfathering of existing regular postings. Therefore, the submitter can choose rec.radio.amateur.moderated or the other unmoderated rec.radio.amateur.* discussion newsgroups for crossposting, but not both.

- Any FAQ or informational posting approved by the rec.answers/news.answers moderation team that is also crossposted to any rec.radio.* newsgroup (besides just rec.radio.info) is also automatically pre-approved for rec.radio.info. See below for more information.

If you post to another moderated group, it may be better to make special arrangements with both moderators before posting by contacting us at our administrivia addresses.

In addition, cross-posts do not take up extra space; modern newsreaders can be configured to show you cross-posted articles only once anyway; not everybody reads rec.radio.info; and rec.radio.info was never meant to reduce the volume of the regular discussion newsgroups. But keep in mind that some of the mail gateways may filter out the informational postings (at request of the subscribers) to keep the load down.

You decide.

-- I have a regular posting with timely information, can I make arrangements to help speed up delivery by posting directly from my site?

Yes, there is! It may take a bit of chatter with the moderator, but we are willing to take responsible people and provide them the means of posting the articles directly from their site. We will try everything we can as we fully realize that DX (distant signal) and astronomical data can be somewhat transitory. We are also willing to allow regular posters of information the same courtesy, even if the information is not as timely.

We refer to this as self-moderation, which is partly based on the model for rec.answers/news.answers. This requires cooperation and good will to be beneficial to the community in the rec.radio.* hierarchy.

If you are currently maintaining (or plan to maintain) a radio-related periodic information posting, you may wish to consider crossposting it to rec.answers/news.answers. Postings that are approved by the rec.answers/news.answers moderators for this treatment are automatically pre-approved for crossposting to rec.radio.info (as the news.answers requirements are far more rigorous than the requirements this newsgroup ever plans to use). For more information about this option, consult the appropriate information articles and posting guidelines in rec.answers/news.answers.

Realize also, that even if your post is not approved for rec.answers/news.answers, it can still be approved for rec.radio.info. The intention is not so much to get every last bit of radio-related information on rec.answers/news.answers, but rather to provide an alternative avenue of approval (as well as grandfather existing maintainers of radio-related information and spare them additional bureaucratic hurdles). Again, crossposting to either rec.radio.info or rec.answers/news.answers, both, or neither, is at the discretion of the poster (subject to the approval of the moderators). You decide what is most appropriate for your article.

Please remember that as an information maintainer, you are not alone. There are many others on the net who maintain and post periodic information postings, using various intermediate-to-advanced features of Usenet (usually via automated tools). Various degrees of technical support and general hand-holding are available from many Usenet veterans. Send us some E-mail describing your needs to our administrative address below, and we'll try to help, or at least refer you to the right knowledgeable individual(s).

-- And Follow-ups?

If the only newsgroup you have specified is rec.radio.info, then the Followup-To: field will always be set to poster. If you do not want this, you must supply a Followup-To line of your own, and we will honor that one, as long as it is a subset of the original Newsgroups line.

If you specify newsgroups to cross-post to, then the Followup-To field will be set to include all the cross-posted groups, excepting rec.radio.info itself. Again, if you do not wish this behavior, supply your own Followup-To line.

We maintain other standards on the various RFC-1036 (news transport) header lines. For example, if the article is appropriate for passing into the Packet Radio Information Network, we encapsulate the Packet Bulletin Identifier (BID) in the Message-ID: news header line indicating the machine of origin as the ampr.org domain:

Message-ID: <$opa.55.1994@ampr.org> |

where the Packet Radio BID, in this example, is `$OPA.55', and it was posted in the year 1994, because some of the Bid numbers are cycled yearly. Hopefully, this can be used as a key to re-introduce the articles for the Packet Radio network. Also, if the article is a repost of an already existing information article in the rec.radio heirarchy, we ensure that the References: header line is linked to that previously posted article. This also helps to tag articles, and may be used for additional filtering if needed.

Since the articles are archived, please use the Summary and Keywords header lines to help one search for your article.

-- Why have I received no reply from you?

We never reject anything in silence, and we make a point of it to answer all our mail. However, E-mail, like a brain cell, can and does get lost, every now and again.

So, if you send us something, and you don't see it appear it rec.radio.info, and you still have not heard from us in reply after say, five days, you can be pretty sure that either your mail never reached us, or that our answer has never reached you. In that case, please try again (We will filter out duplicates).

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms about this article to rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

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784. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #1024.1

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-22 10:22:39 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <351822.62669.qm@smtp107.sbc.mail.mud.yahoo.com>
Source record: 4224
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1024.1
Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin No. 1024.1

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Special Bulletin No. 1024.1
BID: $OPDX.1024.1
August 22, 2011
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

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4W6A TIMOR-LESTE (EAST TIMOR) DXPEDITION SEPTEMBER 16 &#65533; 26, 2011
www.4w6a.com

PRESS RELEASE NUMBER 5 &#65533; August 22, 2011

The 4W6A DXpedition is now less than one month away. Low-band operators will be pleased to hear that the team now has a Titanex V160E 87ft / 26.5m-high vertical antenna for use on 160m at 4W6A. The antenna was shipped from the manufacturers in Germany and has arrived in Darwin, Australia, from where it will be trans-shipped to Dili, Timor-Leste, later this month.

The team had previously planned to use an 18m Spiderbeam pole as the support for a 160m inverted-L. With the arrival of the Titanex vertical, the 18m Spiderbeam pole will now be used for a full-size 80m quarter-wave folded monopole vertical instead.

Other antennas include monoband quarter-wave verticals for 40, 30 and 17m kindly sponsored by Tony Burt, VK3TZ, of Rippletech Electronics in Australia, a 2-element phased array for 40m, an Australian-made Com-an-tena vertical for 10, 15 and 20m, a Butternut HF6V, a 15m vertical dipole, and a G3TXQ Hexbeam made by team member Ant David, MW0JZE. All the antennas will be located on the beach within a few metres of the ocean.

Thanks to the generous sponsorship received from many DX foundations, clubs and individual DXers, it has become possible to ship much of the heavier equipment to Dili, Timor-Leste, in advance of the expedition. The team is very grateful to all DX groups, companies and individuals that have sponsored the expedition. All are listed with thanks on the 4W6A website at www.4w6a.com/sponsors

4W6A will be QRV from Atauro Island (IOTA OC-232), Timor-Leste (East
Timor), from 16 to 26 September 2011. Activity will be on all bands 10
to 160 metres, using CW, SSB and RTTY with up to four stations
simultaneously. The QSL manager is M0URX, direct (SAE plus 1 IRC /
$2), via the bureau, or LoTW. The entire log will be uploaded to LoTW
as quickly as possible after the end of the operation or, if possible,
also during the DXpedition. Direct or bureau QSLs may also be
requested using the M0URX Online QSL Request Service (OQRS) at
http://m0urx.com/oqrs (there is also a link from the 4W6A website at
www.4w6a.com/qsl-information).

73,
Steve, 9M6DXX
4W6A Team Member

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new
FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the
following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced
mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send
mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE
OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�lp>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�bscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
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ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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Excerpts and distribution of The OPDX Bulletin are granted as long as
KB8NW/OPDX/BARF80 receive credit. To contribute DX info, please send
via InterNet Mail to: kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org - OR - kb8nw@arrl.net
Information can now be faxed to the following "NEW" phone line at:
1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)

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DX Chairman for the "Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society
ARRL Assistant Director of the Great Lakes Division
Sysop of the "Basic Amateur Radio Frequency BBS" (BARF80.ORG)

785. TAMIL SEXY HOT GIRLS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-22 11:49:12 UTC
From: SAMARA <jaidatta9247@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <29306d58-29de-4aff-b70c-91572aa697ed@p37g2000prp.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4225

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HOT SOUTH ACTRESS IN DIFFERENT DRESSES
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/08/south-actress.html
TRISHA HOT BATHROOM PHOTOS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/trisha-hot.html
ANUSHKA SHETTY HOT PHOTOS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/anushka-hot.html
KATRINA KAIF RARE PHOTOS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/07/katrina-kaif-wallpapers.html
KAJAL LATEST ROMANTIC STILLS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/07/kajal-agarwal-in-naperu-shiva.html
TAMANNA HOT SEXY PHOTOS & VIDEOS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/07/tamanna-wallpapers.html
PRANITHA LATEST BEAUTIFUL PHOTOS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/06/about-pranitha-praneetha-is-beautiful.html

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LATEST AMISHA PATEL HOT PICS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/amisha-patel-hot.html
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ARTHI CHABRIA HOT PHOTOS
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DIYA MIRZA HOT PHOTOS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/diya-mirza-hot.html
KATRINA KAIF HOT PHOTOS
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NAMITHA HOT PHOTOS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/namitha-hot-photos.html

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-22 16:12:33 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <a9d97307-6ef5-4a93-9f10-845e2c9715f4@l37g2000yqd.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4226

On Aug 22, 7:49 am, SAMARA <jaidatta9...@gmail.com> w

can the spam

787. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 15 - 21 August 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-24 01:30:05 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20110824013001.4A83133C46@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4227
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.info

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:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2011 Aug 23 2128 UTC
# Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
# http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
15 - 21 August 2011

Solar activity was at very low to low levels. Activity was at low
levels on 15 August, with several C-class flares from Region 1271
(N16, L=059, class/area Ehc/290 on 18 August). Activity decreased to
very low levels on 16 August. Activity increased to low levels on
17-18 August, with several C-class flares from both Region 1271 and
Region 1272 (S21, L=054, class/area Dao/090 on 21 August). No flares
were observed on 19 August. Acitivity increased to low levels during
20-21 August. The largest of these was a C3 flare from Region 1271.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
normal to moderate levels during 15-16 August. Fluxes increased to
normal to high levels on 17-18 August. Fluxes decreased to moderate
levels during 19-20 August. Fluxes ranged from normal to moderate on
21 August.

Geomagnetic field activity was at predominantly quiet to unsettled
levels with an isolated period of active to minor storm levels on 15
August due to a coronal hole high-speed stream (CH HSS). Activity
decreased to quiet to unsettled levels, with isolated active levels
during 16-17 August as the CH HSS subsided. Activity decreased to
quiet levels during 18-19 August. Activity increased to quiet to
unsettled levels during 20-21 August due to a CH HSS.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
24 August - 19 September 2011

Solar activity is expected to be at very low to low with a chance
for moderate levels during 24 August to 06 September until old
Region 1263 (N18, L=315) departs. Activity is expected to decrease
to very low to low levels for the rest of the period.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.
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The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at normal to moderate levels through 03 September. Fluxes are expected to increase to moderate to high levels during 04-09 September. Fluxes are expected to decrease to normal to moderate levels during 10-12 September. Fluxes are expected to increase to moderate to high levels during 13-14 September. Fluxes are expected to decrease to normal to moderate levels during 15-19 September.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be at quiet levels during 24-26 August. Acitivity is expected to be at quiet to unsettled levels on 27-28 August due to a weak recurrent CH HSS. Activity is expected be decrease to quiet levels during 29 August - 02 September. Activity is expected to increase during 03-05 September due to a recurrent CH HSS. Predominantly quiet levels are expected during 06-10 September. Activity is expected to increase to quiet to active levels during 11-12 September due to a recurrent CH HSS. Predominantly quiet levels are expected for the rest of the period.

788. Re: get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-24 16:32:16 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <8a036ec9-1283-4d05-b740-f9a49c93b1eb@ea4g2000vbb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4228
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On Aug 17, 6:55 pm, kb9rqz <m...@kb9rqz.com> wrote:
> On Aug 17, 3:14 pm, "radio rambo" <

789. Code is useless? Like hell.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-24 17:12:09 UTC
From: Cosmo Durflinger <Cosmothegreat55@aol.com>
Message-ID: <1ridnV8u5JJ-rcjTnZ2dnUVZ_tKdnZ2d@earthlink.com>
Source record: 4229

I happened to come across the following by obviously a young snot.

"Klystron" <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote in message
news:xxx-EE721A.23501124022011@nntp.aioe.org...
> Q. What is the future of Morse Code?
>
> A. Morse Code has no future. "Beeps" are for tired, cranky old goats who
> are living in the past and like it there. Buy a microphone or learn how
> to use a computer.
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> --
> Klystron"
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LISTEN UP you jackass. Code prevents the onset of Alzheimers. It's also a
foreign language but I
guess you're satisfied with English. You are narrowminded and a wealth of
useless information.
Thank you.

790. Re: Code is useless for real wolrds comms

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-24 23:56:40 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <6b623365-1b4f-4b83-ad12-81149ca2cd53@z7g2000vbp.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4230

On Aug 24, 1:12 pm, "Cosmo Durflinger" <Cosmothegrea...@aol.com>
wrote:
> I happened to come across the following by obviously a young snot.
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> useless information.
> Thank you.

791. MMMonVHF Newsletter 2011-08-25

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-25 07:56:49 UTC
From: MMMonVHF News Mailer <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <201108250755.p7P7tqAm016451@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 4231
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our lastet NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2011-08-25
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter, once a week (thursday)
from now on - if any special activities will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further detail please be so kind and watch our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you vy welcome for any
input and we do hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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** MMMonVHF is back with a new fresh design - since 19.08.2011 **

After more than 4 years it was time for an update of the website
layout. The change was focussed on getting a smoother, simpler and
more information orientated style. Looking back to the start of
MMMonVHF, where initially everything was quickly mixed together,
I tried now to get a more common design for the different sections.
However, not all functions could be tested in advance, so if you
find anything not working or showing properly, please let me know
and drop me a note. I recommend to reload the page, so that you are
not loading old page contents from your browser cache. I hope that
all of you will welcome the new fresh website design!
SOURCE: Ansgar, DG2KBC on behalf of the Team of MMMonVHF

** DXCC at Bob, ZL3TY **

Yesterday the postie delivered 2m DXCC certificate #69, dated June
22, 2011. This is a first for ZL, Oceania and possibly the Southern
Hemisphere. The list of 2m DXCC recipients can be seen at
http://www.arrl.org/system/dxcc/view/DXCC-2M-20110818-A4.pdf All but
one of the QSOs was made by EME (moonbounce), the exception being a
meteor scatter QSO with VK0MT on Macquarrie Is. My first 2m EME QSO
was with W5UN on 16 June 2002. All but a few CW QSOs were made
using WSJT digital mode (by K1JT). WSJT has revolutionised VHF
DXing and made EME possible for small stations, for example I have
worked many single yagi stations, the smallest 100W to 10el yagi.
My QTH is good for moonset with a clear horizon over the sea, which

gives strong ground gain at times. Activity on 2m EME is very good
with lots of DXpeditions to rare locations, I have lost count of
the number of QSOs with Bob ZL1RS from remote spots. My station
is 4x12el yagis, TS790A with MGF1302 GaAsFET preamp, GU74b amp
500W. Antennas, preamp, TX amp and other bits all homebrew.
SOURCE: Bob, ZL3TY, via MoonNet

** LA8YB Silent Key **

As a close friend of Finn, LA8YB, I am sorry to report the sad news
that LA8YB, probably widely known on 2m EME, passed away saturday
20. august 2011. Finn was an eager EME operator for many years and
managed to work WAS (Worked all 50 US states) on 2m before he got
Canser. His antennasysten was one of the biggest in the world and
he was over 70 years old putting all up by himself. Quite an
achivement. I hope that this info can be spread to his EME friends.
SOURCE: Jon, LA8WF via MoonNet

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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*** DXCC: I ; Square: JN55 ; Start: 2011-08-26 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3986

J52EME Team will test its expedition setup on 26 Aug and maybe
some hours on 27 Aug. The Callsign will be IQ3VO, locator JN55LL.
Freq. 144.130, IQ3VO txing 1st. The station will operate with the
setup we'll use at J52EME: same antennas, transceiver, cables,
preamp, amplifier, etc. If IQ3VO is a new init for you, you can
send your QSL now or send it together with that of J52EME.
The Team members will be I3LDP, I3EJ, IK3ESB, IK3RBE, IZ3BUR,
and more! In the coming weeks will be online the web site of the
VERONA DX TEAM, with the news about the expedition. We'll keep you
informed. This is our first EME expedition ! With the passing of
time we hope to operate as well as the ATLETICO TEAM !
Thanks Renï¿½ (PE1L) for your support and hints, we are copying from
you! Give us a call on band ! 73, Ciao, the Verona DX Team
SOURCE: I3LDP, Lucio, direct to the MMMonVHF

*** DXCC: OX ; Square: GP47 ; Start: 2011-09-19 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3985

OK1VVT will be qrv from OX (GP47pa) on 144 MHz EME. Small setup
with single 5WL Yagi and 1kW, CW and WSJT capable modes.
SOURCE: tnx to OK1VVX direct to MMMonVHF

*** DXCC: UR ; Square: KN76-KN75 ; Start: 2011-09-20 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3988

The Team behind Vlad is happy to announce the next expedition to
the rare squares. We are planning our next trip as follow:
Square: KN76JB (Spit Arabatskaya Arrow) Operators: Alex, UR7GO
Anatoly, UY5HF Vlad, US8ZAL. Probably any others OM's from
Henichesk will join to the trip. Equipment: 1kW, 4x9H DK7ZB
Mode: MS, EME - Date: September 20...27 - Depends of the weather
but possible to move and spend few days in KN57KV also. (the
spit often filled with sea).
SOURCE: tnx to US8ZAL, Vlad, direct to MMMonVHF

*** DXCC: IS0 ; Square: JN?? ; Start: 2011-10-22 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3989

Hi EME gang, after many works and changes we have ready EME DX
pedition with Zdenek OK3RM and Slawek DL6SH. In first we were
expecting go to Albania ZA, but situation in expected QTH is
still not good enough. Mainly new diesel generator is still not
able support our traffic and due to many black outs we decide to
go visit other place. We will be QRV on 22-23rd of October 2011
from IS0. So during ARRL EME contest you have chance work with
multiplier and for many new DXCC. Our plan is to be QRV all the
time 144 MHz with separate system. Than 432 MHz first window in
contest to Moonset for EU and W. Next Moonrise we will be 1296 MHz
QRV whole window and last Moonrise on Sunday we will be back on
432 MHz for JA,VK,EU etc. Monday after ARRL EME contest we expect
to be QRV 2320 MHz all bands and would like to try also 10GHz.
If all will be o.k. and WX permit I would like to try new tripod
with HB9DRI control system during MW ARRL EME on terrace. Then I
will be on 10GHz with 3,2m portable dish and 2,3GHz with 10m dish.
So keep us cross a fingers and see you via Moon. More details
will follow on my web soon. 73!
SOURCE: Zdenek, OK1DFC, via MoonNet

*** DXCC: J5 ; Square: IK45 ; Start: 2012-03-23 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3987

The VERONA DX TEAM is happy to announce our upcoming 144 EME
activity from J5 Guinea Bissau (IK45GJ) Hello, after the foundation
of the VERONA DX TEAM is happy to announce our upcoming 144 EME
activity from J5 Guinea Bissau The 144 MHz EME operations are
scheduled for March / April 2012. Simultaneously we'll be also
active with an all-mode station on HF and 50 Mhz, supposedly with
the same or maybe a different call. We'll keep you updated.
The callsign requested is J52EME, locator IK45GJ. EME station setup:
2 x 8 Xpol, gasfet preamp and some power (abt 700w), IC-7000.

Maybe we'll have the possibility of an internet connection.
Freq will be 144.130 and J5 always first. The Team members will be
I3LDP, I3EJ, IK3ESB, IK3RBE, IZ3BUR, and more! In the coming weeks
will be online the web site of the VERONA DX TEAM, with the news
about the expedition. We'll keep you informed. This is our first
EME expedition ! With the passing of time we hope to operate as
well as the ATLETICO TEAM ! Thanks Renï¿½ (PE1L) for your support
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SOURCE: tnx to I3LDP, Lucio, direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
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** D9A qrv from Cheju Island, PM33GM **

Operators Ki-Sun HL4MC, Gyeong HL4CEL, Wang-hyun HL4RBR, Kei HL2UVH,
Eun-Gwang DS4EOI, Nao JA1HGY and Zorro JH1AJT will be active as D9A
from Cheju Island [Cheju Do] (IOTA AS-026, WLOTA 0686, KDN M11,
WW Loc. PM33GM) from 19-26th August 2011. This special callsign
will be used during the 20th Asian Conference on Intellectual
Disabilities from the Ramada Plaza Jeju Hotel. Activity will
be on 160-10 metres, 6 and 2 metres, using CW, SSB, RTTY and FM.
QSL via DS4EOI. SOURCE: ICPO Bulletin (19-26 August 2011)

** PG6HK qrv at International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend **

During the International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend (August
20-21st) the special callsign PG6HK will be active from the old
lighthouse in Harderwijk [aka De Vischpoort](ILLW NL0038, ARLHS
NET-162), Netherlands. The team will be active on several modes
on HF and VHF. Operators include Cil PA1RBZ, Gert PA2LO, Michel
PD0JMB, Ben PD0PDB and Jack PD2J. QSL via PA2LO, bureau preferred.
Website: www.PG6HK.com/ SOURCE: [ICPO] ICPO Bulletin

** 5C, MOROCCO (IOTA, LH and WFF Op!) **

Operators Ruggero/IK2PZC (5C2P), Leo/I8LWL (5C2L), Fred/IK7JWX
(5C2J), Simon/IZ7ATN (5C2SG), Ampelio/IS0AGY (5C2B), Mounaim/CN8QY
(CN8QY/p) and Belkaid/CN8QX (CN8QX/p) will be active from the city
of Dakhla and the lighthouse (ARLHS WSA-001), which is part of the
National Park off the coast of Dakhla (WFF CNFF-007), Morocco,
between September 22-29th. Their main purpose of this DXpedition
is to activate Herne Island (AF-068) in South Western Sahara IOTA
Group (CN), using the callsign 5C2/homecall/p. Activity will be on
all HF bands, including 30/17/12m, and 6 meters, using all modes.
The team might try an entry in the CQWW DX RTTY Contest (September

24-25th) using the callsign 5C2P. QSL via their home callsigns, direct or by the Bureau. QSL 5C2SG via IZ7ATN, direct (see QRZ.com) QSL CN8QY/p via I8LWL, direct only. The team is looking for sponsors and contributors to help fund the operation.
SOURCE: [DX-ENG] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1024

** CN2EI qrv from MOROCCO on HF and 50/144 MHz **

Marko, S55EI, will be active as CN2EI between September 3-20th. Activity will be on mostly on 40/6/2 meters using SSB and PSK31. QSL via his home callsign. SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1024

** VI6, AUSTRALIA (Special Event - Big Callsign)**

The Scout Member Amateur Radio Team (SMART) in the VK6 district has been given the special callsign, VI6CHOGM, to be active between October 28-30th. Activity is to celebrate the "Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting" (CHOGM) in Perth, Western Australia, to discuss global and Commonwealth issues, and to agree on collective policies and initiatives. They plan to operate as much as possible from the Peter Hughes Scout Communications Centre in East Cannington, although other clubs may wish to book a period to operate from their club QTH. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using the "World Scout Calling Frequencies", mostly on SSB, as well as PSK31 and SSTV. There may be some CW. QSL via the Bureau or direct (see QRZ.com). For more details, updates and operating frequencies, see the VI6CHOGM Web page at: http://vi6chogm.com
SOURCE: [DX-ENG] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1024

** FM13/FM14 - 6 & 2 Meters September 2011 VHF Contest K3NXH **

Hi all from K3NXH,Just an early heads up that I will be operating from Kure Beach, North Carolina, GRID FM13 during the September 2011 VHF Contest on 6 & 2 meters.5 elements on 6 and 13 on 2 with a Kenwood TS-2000. Also operating from FM14 August 21st - September 23rd (except for contest). Thanks, Charlie K3NXH
SOURCE: Andy, n8ofs 6 Meter DX News

** TM0INT qrv from IN89 **

Look for Vincent F4BKV, Christian EA3NT and Simon IZ7ATN to be active as TM0INT from Ile de Tombelaine (IOTA EU-156, DIFM MA021, WW Loc.IN89FP), Department Manche/50 and Province Basse Normandie (DPF 04) on 10th and 11th September 2011. Expect activity on all HF bands and modes. QSL via EA5KA, bureau or direct. Website: www.qrz.com/db/TM0INT

SOURCE: [rsgbiota.org] via ICPO Bulletin (19-26 August 2011)

** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 2359 UTC ...

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The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF - Newsletter Credits & Info
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Our Newsletter is compiled from the input of the USER of the
VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF and as well by a lot of free usable
HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats
like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USER who did send us info and News **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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792. Re: get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-25 16:16:44 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <26baccdc-b1bf-4f5b-b617-62477c085ece@hr10g2000vbb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4232
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

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On Aug 21, 4:13 pm, kb9rqz <m...@kb9rqz.com> wrote:
> On Aug 17, 7:35 pm, kb9rqz <m...@kb9rqz.com> wrote:
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> > On Aug 12, 8:38 pm, kb9rqz <Mork.Mor...@- Hide quoted text -
>
> - Show quoted text -
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793. [DXNL] DXNL 1742 (Aug 24, 2011)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-25 20:07:40 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <159287273406.20110825220214@dxhf.darc.de>
Source record: 4233
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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5X, UGANDA
Fred,DJ5RT, is going to show up again on the bands as 5X5WR - if the
UCC does not want to have an annual fee of 1.000 US $.
QSL via homecall.

5Z, KENYA
NV7E is active from Kenya as 5Z4EE. QSL via homecall.

7Q, MALAWI
GM3TAL is signing 7Q7MH on the HF bands and maybe also on 6m.
QSL via G0IAS, unfortunately only direct.
See also: http://www.7q7mh.org

9J, ZAMBIA
ZS6RI will be active as 9J2RI several times (for six weeks each) until
2012. QSL via homecall, the log will be uploaded to the LoTW.
For more information visit: http://zs6ri.blogspot.com

9U, BURUNDI
Pierre,ON7CIP, is working as 9U7T from the capital Bujumbura during his
spare time. Operation take place maybe only on 20m in SSB and/or PSK31.
QSL via homecall.

EA, SPAIN
Following special event stations are representing different clubs of
the Spanish soccer league from Aug 23 until Sep 11: EF1AST, EF1DFP,
EF1DR, EF1HLW, EF2RC, EF2TW, EF4GEL, EF4RCH, EF4TD, EF5AR, EF5DM,
EF5DY, EF5FL, EF5GUI, EF7CIN, EF7FT, EF7JB, EF7TV, EF8AKN, EG5DM,
EG5FL, EG5KB.
More information about the special Soccer League award and the
QSL routes can be found at: http://www.wix.com/ea5foxlima/ea-flt2011

EX, KYRGYZSTAN
The special event station EX20ID is celebrating the 20th anniversary of the independence of the Kirghiz Republic between Aug 26 and Sep 4.
See also: www.qrz.ru/awards/detail/2213.html

ER, MOLDOVA
Victor,ER3MM, from Beltsy can be found quite often on 15m, 17m or 20m between 1800 and 2100 UTC. For QSL route see QRZ.com.

F, FRANCE
The special event station TM11NOR is active until Aug 31 and celebrates the founding of the Duchy of Normandy 1100 years ago. QSL via F5UBH.

FK, FRENCH NEW CALEDONIA, OC-032
HAMs from French New Caledonia (OC-032) may use the special prefix TX during the XVI South Pacific Games in Noumea from Aug 27 until Sep 10.

FS, ST MARTIN, NA-105
Gregg,FS/W6IZT, is hitting the airwaves in CW, SSB and RTTY on 40m-10m from Saint Martin (NA-105) from Aug 20-29. QSL via N7XG.

I, ITALY
To remember its founding 55 years ago the ARI Vigevano is going to activate the special event station IR2LV between Aug 27 and Oct 2.
QSL via IK2AGN.

The special event station II4LXV celebrates the 65th anniversary of the ARI Bologna until Dec 31.
QSL via IZ4OUL (all QSOs will be confirmed via bureau automatically).

KH6, HAWAII, OC-019
Five HAMs of the Koolau Amateur Radio Club will activate the rare county Kalawao from the Kalaupapa peninsula on Molokai Island. The team will be QRV with two stations in SSB, CW and some RTTY on 10m-40m from Aug 25-29. They will take part in the Hawaii QSO Party as well but plan to work especially on the WARC bands before and after the contest.
Their callsign will be KH7Q. Send your QSLs via AH6NF or follow the instructions of the operator. E-mail contact is possible before the contest via ah6nf@arrl.net. See also: http://www.karc.net/HQP

LX, LUXEMBOURG
After their successful DXpedition to Jersey the "Low Land DXpedition Team" (LLDXT) members Jo,LX/PA9JO, Alex,LX/PA1AW, Ronald,LX/PA3EWP, and Dennis,LX/PA7FM, are planning a trip to Luxembourg next. They will use several yagis and monoband antennas on 160m-2m from Aug 30 until Sep 6.
Their website is located at: http://lx2011.lldxt.nl
This DXpedition is supported by CQFRIENDS.com, the new internet commu-nity for HAMs. QSLs for all calls via PA1AW.

OJ0, MARKET REEF, EU-053
PA0VHA, PA2A, PA2AM, PA3ALK and PA3BAG will be QRV in SSB/CW/RTTY/PSK on all bands (incl. 4m/6m) signing OJ0CC from Market Reef (EU-053) between Aug 27 and Sep 2. QSL via PA2A.

P2, PAPUA NEW GUINEA, OC-034
Renzo,I2KRR, who is a voluntary worker for the technical support of a catholic mission in Vanimo on the northern coast of the main island, will be active as P29FR mainly in SSB on 40m/20m/15m until March 2012. Operation will be limited to the local evening hours plus the weekend afternoons. QSL via I2RFJ (no IRCs direct), see also QRZ.com.

PA, THE NETHERLANDS
PA3EJE, PA3GON, PA8F, PD0LUR, PD2JAM, PD5EK and PE1MPA will be QRV as PG6MILL from "De Valk" in Montfoort between Sep 30 and Oct 1. They plan to work in all modes on 80m-10m using also a large Quad antenna mounted to a windmill. QSL via PE1MPA.

PJ2, CURACAO, SA-099
PJ2/DH2AK and PJ2/DL1THM are staying on Curacao (SA-099) from Aug 21 until Sep 8. QSLs via homecalls.

UJ, UZBEKISTAN
The special event station UM20Y is celebrating the 20th anniversary of the independence of Uzbekistan in CW, SSB and RTTY on the HF bands from Aug 25 until Sep 10. QSL via UK8AR.

UR, UKRAINE
Ukrainian HAMs are also celebrating the 20th anniversary of the independence of their country and activate the special event station EO20UR from the capital Kiev and other regions (QRZ.com) from Aug 22-28.
QSL via UT7UR.

YA, AFGHANISTAN
IZ8NWA is active as T6FR until November 2011. QSL via homecall.

ZD8, ASCENSION ISLAND, AF-003
You can request bureau and direct QSL cards for the ZD8D DXpedition via the Online QSL Request System (OQRS): http://www.zd8d.de/index.php?qsl
However, you can still use the classical route via the QSL bureau.
The QSL manager is DL9HO. All QSOs were uploaded to the LotW already.

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Aug 27/28: YO DX Contest
Aug 27/28: SCC RTTY Championship

IOTA collected by Ric,DL2VFR (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
EU-030, OZ, Bornholm Island: Horst,OZ/DF6FL, Siegfried,OZ/DL9ZE, and Peter,OZ/DL5FF, will be QRV from Sandvig/Bornholm in SSB, CW and RTTY on 10m-40m from Aug 27 until Sep 10. QSLs via homecalls.

EU-057, DL, Mecklenburg-Vorpommern State group: DG0ERS/p is working from
the Ummanz peninsula on Ruegen until the end of the month.
QSL via bureau or direct to his homecall.

EU-075, SV, Peloponnisos (Argolis) / Attiki region group: OM Steffen,DM3CW,
is active in CW signing SV8/DM3CW respectively J48AL from Aegina until
Aug 30. QSLs via the DARC bureau preferred.

EU-138, SM7, Blekinge County group: OM Fred,SM7DAY, is working in CW and SSB
from Senoren until Aug 28. QSL via homecall (bureau/direct).

IOTA Marathon: With the IOTA Contest behind us, it is time for everyone to
plan their island operations for the upcoming IOTA Anniversary Marathon
in 2012 and 2013. The complete rules can be found at:
http://www.rsgbiota.org/marathon/index.php
SWLs should be pleased to learn that there is also a special SWL
challenge. The organizer of the SWL part is Hans-Juergen,DE3EAR.
The complete rules for SWLs can be found on his website:
http://de3ear.weebly.com

WFF activities DLFF-134, DL: DF0WFF is working in CW/SSB on HF and VHF from
the nature park Wildeshauser Geest from Aug 26-28. They are also
handing out the special DOK WFFDL. QSL via bureau.

Bandspots of the last 7 days

40m
SM1/DK3PZ 7.141 1537Z EU-020, via DK3PZ (B)

30m
HC1HC 10.105 0448Z via NE8Z
JH3PRR 10.102 1648Z (B), (L)
MJ/I1FQH 10.108 0627Z EU-013
R10RTRS/2 10.118 0600Z via R7AA (B)
SM5F 10.104 1715Z (B), (L)
TA2/DL2JRM 10.118 0444Z via DL2JRM (B)
UR9LD/p 10.117 0455Z URFF-088

20m
EN1IFF 14.047 1813Z URFF-098
K4QS 14.059 1918Z SOTA HB-006
LZ02WFF 14.042 1759Z LZFF-011, via LZ1BJ
LZ44WFF 14.044 1757Z LZFF-024, via LZ1BJ
OE6GMB/KH6 14.214 0727Z
OJ0UR 14.220 0621Z via M0URX (B)
TM36ZOO 14.045 1610Z via F5SSN
US3LX/p 14.044 0538Z URFF-088
ZL4PW 14.017 0550Z
9M2/SQ9UM 14.005 1631Z

17m
PQ8XB 18.069 1142Z SA-045 via PT7WA (B)

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(L) = LoTW
(r) = bureau QSL via e-mail request

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

-Dec 3Y8XSA 1700/1717
-25Oct 5B50J 1700
23Aug-31Aug 5W0GJ 1741
UNKNOWN 5X5WR 1742 *
UNKNOWN 5Z4EE 1742 *
-Apr/12 5Z4RH ? 1674
UNKNOWN 7Q7MH 1742 *
18Aug-30Aug 7P8PB 1741
-30Nov 8J1MORSE 1731
21Aug-02Sep 9A/DH7KU 1741
-31Dec 9A11P 1723
-Sep 9J2KK 1682
-2012 9J2RI 1739/1742 *
NOW 9M2/KM9D 1731
-04Sep 9M2/SQ9UM 1740
LONG TERM 9N1FE 1740
SOON 9Q1EK 1669
-Nov 9Q6CC 1699

-? A35CT 1741
UNKNOWN 9U7T 1742 *
-Aug A92IO 1663
-31Dec BP100 1684
-31Dec BV100 1684
19Aug-26Aug D9A 1741
-31Dec CW5RV 1711
25Aug-29Aug DL1AXX 1741/1742
-31Aug DL20Y2DM 1700
-Aug DL/ON4ACA 1739
12Aug-04Sep DU9/PA3GZU 1740

19Aug-28Aug E51AAO 1741
15Aug-03Sep E51AND 1741
23Aug-11Sep EF1AST 1742 *
23Aug-11Sep EF1DFP 1742 *
23Aug-11Sep EF1DR 1742 *
23Aug-11Sep EF1HLW 1742 *
23Aug-11Sep EF2RC 1742 *
23Aug-11Sep EF2TW 1742 *
23Aug-11Sep EF4GEL 1742 *
23Aug-11Sep EF4RCH 1742 *
23Aug-11Sep EF4TD 1742 *
23Aug-11Sep EF5AR 1742 *

23Aug-11Sep EF5DM 1742 *
23Aug-11Sep EF5DY 1742 *
23Aug-11Sep EF5FL 1742 *
23Aug-11Sep EF5GUI 1742 *
23Aug-11Sep EF7CIN 1742 *
23Aug-11Sep EF7FT 1742 *
23Aug-11Sep EF7JB 1742 *
23Aug-11Sep EF7TV 1742 *
23Aug-11Sep EF8AKN 1742 *
23Aug-11Sep EG5DM 1742 *
23Aug-11Sep EG5FL 1742 *
23Aug-11Sep EG5KB 1742 *
22Aug-28Aug EO20UR 1742 *
26Aug-04Sep EX20ID 1742 *

-Aug FO8RZ 1636
-Jul/12 FR8NE 1710
20Aug-29Aug FS/W6IZT 1742 *
19Aug-24Aug GP3ZME/p 1741
-31Dec HB60LU 1711
-31Dec HG15IPA 1724
01Jan-31Dec HG200LST 1708
01Jan-31Dec IA7MM 1708
01Jan-31Dec II1ITA 1708
-31Dec II4LXV 1742 *
01Mar-30Sep IO4UI 1717
27Aug-02Oct IR2LV 1742 *
-2012 J28FJ 1739
-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul/12 J28RO 1683
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
-Oct JG8NQJ/JD1 (M) 1739
-26Aug JW/OE9SDV 1740

16Jun-05Sep K1VSJ 1732
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
-May/12 KH4/W5FJG 1728
POSTPONED KH5 1674/1705/1741
25Aug-29Aug KH7Q 1742 *
-31Dec LA200D 1713
30Aug-6Sep LX/PA1AW 1742 *
30Aug-6Sep LX/PA3EWP 1742 *
30Aug-6Sep LX/PA9JO 1742 *
30Aug-6Sep LX/PA7FM 1742 *
-31Dec LZ85R 1721
28Jul-04Sep OH1K 1738
Aug OL100VP 1721
27Aug-10Sep OZ/DF6FL 1742 *
22Aug-03Sep OZ/DL2GF 1741
27Aug-10Sep OZ/DL5FF 1742 *
27Aug-10Sep OZ/DL9ZE 1742 *

-Sep P29CW 1713
-Mar/12 P29FR 1742 *
01Jan-31Dec PA30 1708
22Aug-28Aug PA/DO1BEN 1741
22Aug-28Aug PA/DO1IQ 1741
30Sep-01Oct PG6MILL 1742 *
21Aug-08Sep PJ2/DH2AK 1742 *
21Aug-08Sep PJ2/DL1THM 1742 *
21Aug-8Sep PJ2/DH2AK 1741
21Aug-08Sep PJ2/DL1THM 1741
18Aug-25Aug PJ7ROJ 1741
17Aug-24Aug PQ8OP 1740/1741
17Aug-24Aug PQ8XB 1740/1741

-Dec RI1ANC 1708
SOON RI1F/UA1PBA 1740
-Sep/12 RI1FJA 1741
-Sep/12 RI1FJM 1741
21Aug-06Sep S79DO 1741
17Aug-24Aug T32JB 1741
28Sep-26Oct T32C 1740
-Nov T6FR 1742 *
-Jun/12 T6MO 1733
-Nov T6SH 1734
20Aug-03Sep TK5UX 1741
-31Aug TM11NOR 1742 *

Aug UE90K 1739
25Aug-10Sep UM20Y 1742 *
-Dec VK0BFG 1741
-Mar/12 VK0KEV (Macq) 1700/1701
May -Aug W3CVD/4 1726
18Jul-25Aug W4/DF2MM 1736
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
-14Nov XF1/K5ENS 1739
NOW XT2RJA 1712
-Sep ZC4MIS 1732
QRT ZD8D 1737/1741
-Sep ZD9GI 1691
19Aug-31Oct ZL4RUGBY 1741
-31Dec ZL50GH 1711
-2012? ZS6KX/7 1740

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

A61K via EA7FTR
A71CT via EA7FTR
CO8LY via EA7ADH (d)
CT9/IZ2DPX via IZ2DPX (B)

CW5W via CX6VM (d)
DL/HB9AGO/p via HB9AGO
EA9/EC7DZZ via EC7DZZ (B)
ED4FXF via EA4FXF (B)
EN1IFF via UR3IBV
EF1AST via EA1AST (B), (L)
EF1DFP via EA1DFP (B)
EF1DR via EA1DR (B)
EF1HLW via EA1HLW
EF2RC via EA5KB (B)
EF2TB via EA2TB
EF2TW via EA2TW (B)
EF4GEL via EA4GEL (B)
RI1FJA via RX3MM (d)
SM/PE1BTV via PE1BTV (B)
SM1/DK3PZ via DK3PZ (B)
TK/F4FXP/p via F4FXP (B), eQSL
TK/DC1SK via DC1SK
TK/DL2RMC via DL2RMC (B)
TK/F5OZF via F5OZF
TK/F5RXL via F5RXL (B)
TK/IK1TJK via IK1TJK
TK/IZ5NFD via IZ5NFD (B)
TM11NOR via F5UBH (B, also e-request)
TY1KS via IZ7KHR (B)
UA1PBA/0 via RK1PWA (B)
UA6IC/6 via RZ7G
UE90K via UA9XL (B)
UP1ASTR via UN0GL (B)
W1T via WW1N
W2T via N2OO (B)
XE1FSK via EA5KB (B)
YB0ECT via W2FB (B)
YE50S via YF0JZS
YP2WFF via YO2MAB (B)
YR6WFF via YO6KNE
YV6JG via EA5KB or YV bureau
ZP6VLA via EA5KB (B)
ZP9MCE via EA5ZD
3G6CS via CE6CS (B)
3V8SS via LX1NO (*)
3V/9A1MB via 9A1MB (B)
3Z0EPC via SP1EG (B)
3Z0MFF via SP9PTG (B)
3Z85LKK via SP8AUP (B)
4J8VHF via RW6HS (d)
4O/YU1EA via YU1EA (B)
5B/RV1AW via RU1AE (B)
5H3EE via DL4ME (B)
5P0O via OZ1GDI

5Q4B via OZ5EV (d)
5Z4/IZ7ATN/p via IZ7ATN (B)
7S5LH via SM5ZCI (B)
9A8BEN via DO1BEN (B)
9A/DH3MIT via DH3MIT (B), (L), eQSL
9A/DL9BBE/p via DL9BBE (B)
9A/IZ2OAR via IZ2OAR (B)
9A/OE3MCS/p via OE3MCS
9A/OK1DSM via OK1DSM (B)
9A/S51DI/p via S51DI
9A/S51JS via S51JS (B)
9A/SQ6NLN via SQ6NLN (B)
9A/VE3ZIK via DK8ZZ (B)

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QSLs arrived bureau: 5H3ME (DL4ME), 9M2TO (AS-015, JA0DMV),
9M6DXX/p (OC-133, M0URX), 9M6XRO (OC-088, M0URX),
9U0A (DL7UFR), A71QND, AO7T, C37N, C37N (EA4URE),
E78DX, EA1CS, EA4DAT, ED5D, EG5GI, JW2PA (LA2PA),
JY4NE (K3IRV), LG5LG (LA4EKA), LZ12EYAC (LZ1BJ),LZ10RF,
LZ170MDS, LZ855SRKM (LZ1BJ), NN1N, OX/DF9TM (NA-151),
PH9HD, RK3DXS, SJ9WL (LA4EKA), TF2JB, UT/ER1DA/p,
V47NT (N2NT), V48M (W2OX), YE0X (YB0ECT),
YI1RZ (IK2DUW)

NOTE

The Documentation archive FUNK also provides online information about its
stock and also asks for additions. Clicking on http://www.dokufunk.org
-> Archive leads you to the necessary links.
By the way, you can donate your own QSL collection to prevent putting it
in the trash.

CQ DX MARATHON

The CQ magazine introduced a new special contest: the CQ DX Marathon.
You have to work as many DXCCs and CQ zones as possible, regardless of bands
and modes, every year. The marathon starts all over every year on January 1.
It is not possible to earn more than 381 points (at the moment).

OPs NEEDED

II9T is still looking for some OPs (SOP 20m/SOP 80m) for the CQ Worldwide DX
Contest in SSB. If you are interested please e-mail: fabio.grisafi@libero.it

INTANGIBLE CULTURAL HERITAGE: Morse Code

The IARU Region 1 Conference in Sun City decided unanimously and without abstention that the UNESCO should recognize CW as an Intangible Cultural Heritage.

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Many thanks for contributing to this issue of the DXNL are going to:
http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxmb/2011

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==> + NHC ISSUES HURRICANE WATCH FOR PORTIONS OF NORTH CAROLINA; ARRL
ESTABLISHES HURRICANE IRENE WEBSITE

As Hurricane Irene -- currently a Category 3 storm -- approaches the
US, the National Hurricane Center (NHC) has issued a hurricane watch
earlier this morning for regions north of Surf City, North Carolina to
the North Carolina-Virginia border, including the Pamlico, Albemarle
and Currituck Sounds. A tropical storm watch is also in effect for
north of Edisto Beach, South Carolina to Surf City, North Carolina.

<http://www.arrl.org/images/view/News/Irene_track082511.jpg> In
anticipation of Irene's expected landfall in North Carolina, the ARRL
HQ Emergency Response Team (HQERT) has established a website to keep
amateurs informed of the latest developments. This website will also
provide links to the NHC, WX4NHC -- the Amateur Radio station at the
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NHC -- the Hurricane Watch Net and the Voice over Internet Protocol Weather Net, where radio amateurs can send in their reports. The HQERT will also be monitoring various nets and providing support to the affected Field Organizations beginning on Friday, August 26 from W1AW, the Hiram Percy Maxim Memorial Station.

The NHC is predicting that it will be issuing hurricane warnings later on Thursday for those areas already covered by the hurricane watch, and is expected to extend the hurricane watch northward along the Mid-Atlantic coast, as well. The NHC advises residents in the Mid-Atlantic States and New England to monitor Irene's progress in anticipation of possible hurricane watches or warnings. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/nhc-issues-hurricane-watch-for-portions-of-north-carolina-arrl-establishes-hurricane-irene-website>.

==> + ARRL MEMBERS NOMINATE CANDIDATES FOR DIRECTOR, VICE DIRECTOR

The policies of the ARRL are established by 15 Directors who are elected to the Board on a geographical basis, with elections for three-year terms held in five divisions each year. At the same time, Vice Directors are elected on the same basis. Responding to solicitations in the July and August issues of QST, ARRL members in the Atlantic, Dakota, Delta, Great Lakes and Midwest Divisions have nominated 15 candidates for the 10 positions of Director and Vice Director.

One candidate for Vice Director was found to be ineligible by the Ethics and Elections Committee, which left one eligible nominee for Vice Director in each of the five divisions. Accordingly, all five have been declared elected to three-year terms beginning at noon on January 1, 2012. Two incumbent Directors were unopposed and have been declared re-elected. There will be balloting for Director in the Atlantic, Delta and Midwest Divisions. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-members-nominate-candidates-for-director-vice-director-1>.

==> + FCC NEWS: ARRL FILES COMMENTS IN RESPONSE TO ANCHORAGE VEC'S WAIVER REQUEST

In April 2011, the Anchorage VEC -- one of 14 Volunteer Examiner Coordinators -- filed a Petition for Rule Making (RM-11629) that asked the FCC to give permanent credit to radio amateurs for examination elements they have successfully passed. This would, in effect, create a license exam credit that would be valid throughout an amateurs' lifetime, never expiring. On July 6, the Anchorage VEC submitted a Waiver Request with the FCC while RM-11629 is pending. This request asks that the FCC grant a blanket waiver ofSection 97.505 of the Commission's Rules to those radio amateurs whose licenses have expired -- and are beyond the two-year grace period for renewal -- to be afforded credit for examination elements previously passed. On August 11, the ARRL filed comments with the FCC, urging the Commission to dismiss or deny the Waiver Request. Read more here

<http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-files-comments-in-response-to-anchorage-vec-s-waiver-request>.

==> + SCOUTMASTER ARTHUR ANDERSON, W9WPH, STABBED TO DEATH ON HIKING TRIP

Arthur Anderson, W9WPH, of Kokomo, Indiana, 76, bled to death after being stabbed in what authorities are calling "a senseless act." On Sunday, August 21, Anderson -- together with another man -- was leading two Boy Scouts, ages 11 and 12, on a required five mile nature hike on the Nickel Plate Trail in Bunker Hill, 60 miles north of Indianapolis. According to Indiana State Police Sergeant Tony Slocum, the group had stopped on the trail to discuss a tree when Anderson was attacked from behind. Anderson, a scouting volunteer for 50 years, was an Assistant Scoutmaster of a troop based at Redeemer Lutheran Church in Kokomo. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/scoutmaster-arthur-anderson-w9wph-stabbed-to-death-on-hiking-trip>.

==> + SECTION NEWS: GEORGIA, WESTERN WASHINGTON SEE NO CHANGE IN SECTION LEADERSHIP

Two Section Manager elections this summer were decided by member balloting. In Georgia, incumbent Gene Clark, W4AYK, of Albany, was re-elected to a second term with 820 votes. His opponent Verne Fowler, W8BLA, of Cumming, received 365 votes. In Western Washington, Jim Pace, K7CEX, of Centralia, was re-elected for a third term with 965 votes. His opponent Daniel Stevens, KL7MA, of Kent, received 508 votes. Both men will begin new terms of office on October 1. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/incumbent-section-managers-in-western-washington-georgia-re-elected>.

==> IARU ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL HOLDS ANNUAL MEETING IN SOUTH AFRICA

The Administrative Council of the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) held its annual meeting on August 19-20 in Sun City, South Africa. The AC is responsible for the policy and management of the IARU and consists of the three IARU international officers and two representatives from each of the three IARU regional organizations.

IARU President Tim Ellam, VE6SH/G4HUA, along with IARU Vice President Ole Garpestad, LA2RR, and IARU Secretary Rod Stafford, W6ROD, were in attendance. IARU Region 1 President Hans Blondeel Timmerman, PB2T, IARU Region 1 Vice President Tafa Diop, 6W1KI, and IARU Region 1 Executive Committee Member Colin Thomas, G3PSM, represented IARU Region 1. IARU Region 2 President Reinaldo Leandro, YV5AM, IARU Region 2 Secretary Ramon Santoyo, XE1KK represented IARU Region 2. IARU Region 3 Chairman of Directors Michael Owen, VK3KI, and IARU Region 3 Secretary Ken Yamamoto, JA1CJP, represented IARU Region 3. David Sumner, K1ZZ, attended as recording secretary. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/iaru-administrative-council-holds-annual-meeting-in-south-africa>.

==> + AT THE WORKBENCH: HEATHKIT RETURNS TO THE KIT BUSINESS

A notice on the Heathkit website announces that the venerable kit manufacturer, well-known to all Amateur Radio operators of a certain age, will be reentering the kit business in late August. The notice states, in part: "Heathkit will debut their new line of Do-it-Yourself kits for common around-the-house items. The first kit will be a Garage Parking Assistant (GPA). The Garage Parking Assistant kit lets you build your own system that uses ultrasonic sound waves to locate your car as it enters the garage. The system signals to the driver using LED lights mounted on the wall when the car is detected and in the perfect spot for parking. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/heathkit-returns-to-the-kit-business>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "I could feel the Sun on my back <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FFthxJKOWok>" Cook, K7RA, reports: Solar activity rose this week, with the average daily sunspot number rising more than 40 points to 66 points, while the average daily solar flux rose more than 13 points to 101.9. The predicted solar flux for August 25-26 is 110, rising to 115 for August 27-30, 110 for August 31, 105 for September 1-3, and 100 for September 4-5. The predicted planetary A index is 5 for August 25-26, 10 on August 27, and 5 on August 28 through September 2, then 8, 10, 10, 10, 7 and 5 on September 3-8. Look for more information on the ARRL website on Friday, August 26. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by The Bangles' Something to Believe In <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Everything_%28The_Bangles_album%29>.

==> + SILENT KEY: PETER DAHL, K0BIT (SK)

Peter Dahl, K0BIT, of El Paso, Texas, passed away August 15 of Parkinson's disease. He was 71. In 2007 after more than 40 years, he closed his company -- the Peter W. Dahl Company -- citing health reasons. "I want to thank everyone for their business throughout the years," Dahl told the ARRL upon his retirement. "I have enjoyed making each Amateur Radio transformer." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/peter-dahl-k0bit-sk>.

==> THIS WEEK ON THE RADIO

This week:

- August 26 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- August 27 -- ARCI Welcome to QRP
- August 27-28 -- Hawaii QSO Party; Kansas QSO Party; Ohio QSO Party; ALARA Contest; YO DX HF Contest; SCC RTTY Championship
- August 28 -- SARL HF CW Contest

Next week:

- September 2 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- September 3 -- Wake-Up! QRP Sprint; GCW Straight Key Party; Russian
Radio WW RTTY Contest
- September 3-4 -- Colorado QSO Party; QCWA Fall QSO Party; All Asian
DX Contest (Phone); CWops Mini-CWT Test
- September 4 -- DARC 10 Meter Digital Contest
- September 4-5 -- Tennessee QSO Party
- September 5-6 -- Michigan QRP Labor Day CW Sprint
- September 6 -- ARS Spartan Sprint

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest
Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update
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Findlay, Ohio
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<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/washington-state-convention-35th-annual-spokane
-hamfest>,
Spokane Valley, Washington
- October 8-9 -- ARRL Florida State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/florida-state-convention-melbourne-hamfest>,
Melbourne, Florida
- October 9 -- ARRL Connecticut State Convention
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- October 21-22 -- ARRL West Gulf Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-gulf-division-convention-texoma-hamarama>,
Ardmore, Oklahoma
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Sergeant Bluff, Iowa

- November 6 -- ARRL Iowa Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/iowa-section-convention>, Davenport, Iowa
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-computer-expo>,
Fort Wayne, Indiana
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795. [RAC-Bulletin] EMCOMM : Tropical Cyclone Information Statements WOCN31 CWHX 252345

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-25 23:55:20 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4E56E05A.20306@rac.ca>
Source record: 4235
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Tropical Cyclone Information Statements

WOCN31 CWHX 252345
Tropical cyclone information statement updated by the Canadian
Hurricane Centre of Environment Canada at 7:54 PM ADT Thursday
25 August 2011.

Tropical cyclone information statement for:
Atlantic provinces
Southern Quebec.

For hurricane Irene.

The next statement will be issued by 3:00 AM ADT.

This is an updated preliminary information statement to discuss
Hurricane Irene's effect on Canada. Full messaging on this
Storm will begin at 3 AM ADT.

==discussion==
Hurricane Irene is a major hurricane now exiting the Bahamas
With winds near 180 km/h. The hurricane is moving north-northwest at
about 20 km/h. Irene is forecast to track over Eastern North
Carolina on Saturday. Thereafter Irene is expected to track
north-northeastward either through New England or the maritime
provinces late this weekend and into Monday. The track and intensity
will, as always, depend on many changing factors over the next 3
days. Thus, it is too early to meaningfully state how the storm will
affect specific areas. However, it is common that the heaviest
rainfall occurs to the left of the track and highest winds to the
right with this sort of storm. At this point in time we encourage
consulting the bulletins at least twice a day for updates on our
forecast and discussions.

Visit weatheroffice.Gc.Ca/hurricane (all in lower case) for the
latest track information.

Please also refer to the public and marine forecasts and warnings
issued by Environment Canada for your area.

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796. Re: Who am I?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-26 01:34:04 UTC
From: kb9rqz <kb9rqz@acdcfan.com>
Message-ID: <d03423a9-af46-4384-be8f-1b154fad2df2@m18g2000vbe.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4236
Cross-posted to: alt.slack,rec.radio.amateur.policy,alt.usenet.kooks,rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.autos.mini

On Aug 25, 6:50 pm, "%" <KB9RQZ@gmail.com> wrote:
> kb9rqz wrote:
> > On Aug 25, 4:36 pm, "Gavrielah Hojnacki" <n...@nomail.invalid> wrote:
> >> "imlost" <idontknow.org> wrote in message
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797. Re: Who am I?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-26 01:42:01 UTC
From: % <persent@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <HKidnaS-kOIWZcvTnZ2dnUVZ_vydnZ2d@giganews.com>
Source record: 4237
Cross-posted to: alt.slack,rec.radio.amateur.policy,alt.usenet.kooks,rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.autos.mini

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798. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-26 03:00:43 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <aafb7dcf-0320-455a-ae58-e68d3ef90b8f@c33g2000yqm.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4238
Cross-posted to: alt.slack,rec.radio.amateur.policy,alt.usenet.kooks,rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.autos.mini

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799. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1776 - August 26 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-26 09:00:16 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20110826090005.0334133C87@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4239
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1776 - August 26 2011

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1776 with a release date of
Friday, August 26th 2011 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. A dedicated ham radio operator and scout
leader is murdered in Indiana; some positive words about ham radio
related to the August 23rd Eastern U-S earthquake, hams stand ready as
Hurricane Irene heads toward the US shoreline and honors for a
deserving 11 year old emergency service amateur radio operator at the
Huntsville Hamfest. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio
Newsline(tm) report number 1776 coming your way right now.

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RADIO CRIME: HAM RADIO SCOUT LEADER MURDERED IN INDIANA

An Indiana ham radio operator and scouting leader has been brutally
murdered. This, while leading a group of scouts on a nature hike.
Amateur Radio Newsline's Mark Abramowicz, NT3V, has the details:

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Seventy-six-year-old Arthur Anderson, W9WPH, of Kokomo, Indiana, was
simply in the wrong place at the wrong time.

That the assessment from Indiana state police investigating the murder
of the long-time Scout leader from Troop 506 based at Redeemer Lutheran
Church in Kokomo.

They say Anderson was leading two scouts, ages 11 and 12 , on Sunday,
Aug. 21 on a nature walk on the Nickel Plate Trail near the community
of Bunker Hill, about 60 miles north of Indianapolis.

As the group stopped briefly near a tree, authorities say 22-year-old
Shane Golitko leaped on Anderson and stabbed him in the neck with a
12-inch knife.

Investigators say another leader who was along on the hike shielded the
young Scouts from the attacker, who then fled on foot after the
assault.

Despite efforts to stop the bleeding, authorities say Anderson died at
the scene.

Authorities arrested Golitko inside his nearby home where he lived with his mother.

He's now being held in the Miami County jail.

Investigators also learned a short time before the deadly attack on Anderson, Golitko had kicked and punched his mother in an unprovoked assault. She ran to a neighbor's home for help.

An Indiana state police detective who is part of the investigation called it a senseless act. Authorities don't have a motive for the attack.

The Miami County prosecutor confirmed Golitko had a prior arrest for possession of marijuana. He says the man also was charged in an assault case in Ohio in July 2010, but court records show that charge was dismissed.

An official from the Boy Scouts' Sagamore Council in Kokomo, called Anderson a great leader who focused on training young Scouts to lead by example and try to motivate others.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Mark Abramowicz, NT3V, in Philadelphia.

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Golitko is charged with murder and two felony counts of battery. He is being held without bond in the Miami County Jail in Peru Indiana pending appearance in the Miami Circuit Court where he will likely be formally arraigned. (Various published news reports and listener provided reports)

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RESCUE RADIO: EAST COAST QUAKE POINTS OUT FRAGILE CELLPHONE INFRASTRUCTURE

Although amateur radio emergency communications was not particularly needed following a 5 point 8 earthquake that shook most of the east coast on Tuesday, August 23rd, the event did point out how fragile the publics personal communications infrastructure really is. Especially the aspect that deals with cellular telephones.

According to several news reports, cellular telephone service was crippled for a short time following the temblor that was centered near Mineral, Virginia. Verizon Wireless admitted that its service was slow for about 20 minutes after the quake struck just before 2 p.m. Eastern time. AT&T and Sprint also report very heavy call volume as East coast residents dealt with Virginia's strongest earthquake since 1897. The three companies say service was compromised because millions of people were making calls at the same time.

Also, according to K3VSA at least one public announcement went out from the FEMA that said due to overload of cell phone usage, there are

reports of cell phone congestion. As such it was requested by cellular carriers that members of the public use e-mail or text messages if possible to communicate for the next few hours, except in cases of emergency. This so that emergency officials can continue to receive and respond to urgent calls.

However one story reported by KADI radio pointed out that even though the cellular carriers could not deliver the level of service the public expected that ham radio operators had no problems contacting one another. The KADI report also noted that this once again proves that ham radio still works in emergencies when all other means of communication fail. (ARNewsline(tm), K3VSA, K0ADI via the PR Reflector)

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RESCUE RADIO: HAM RADIO EMCOMM AND HURRICANE IRENE

Ham radio operators involved in emergency communications are making ready for the imminent arrival of Hurricane Irene or her remnants to his the U-S shore. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, is in our newsroom with the latest:

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As this newscast is being prepared on Thursday evening, August 25th weather forecasters are calling hurricane Irene an extremely dangerous storm that is set to batter the East Coast from North Carolina to New England over the next several days.

Currently a category 3 hurricane with winds in excess of 115 miles per hour. Irene is centered about 490 miles south of Cape Hatteras, North Carolina, and moving north north-east at 14 miles per hour. Depending on the storms exact track, Irene is expected to make landfall over Eastern North Carolina on Saturday, August 27th and then work its way up the coast with it full force being fely between New Jersey, then across New York's Long Island, across Boston and into New England and possibly the Canadian Maritime Provinces.

Ham radio operators involved in emergency communications and relief support efforts are already geared up for Irene's arrival. At ARRL headquarters in Newington, Connecticut, bulletin station W1AW will be on the air beginning 7:00 AM Saturday, August 27th as a backup communications resource. This at least until the severe weather has passed and it can stand down.

As hurricane Irene advances toward the North Carolina coast, the states ARRL Public Information Coordinator Raymond Woodward, K3VSA, reports that ARES members will be staffing the North Carolina Regional Coordination Center in Kinston. This, beginning at 7:00 AM Eastern Daylight time also on Saturday August 27th. Woodward says that they will also be taking requests for additional support from surrounding counties.

Woodward also says that the National Weather Service office in Newport will utilize hams belonging to the SKYWARN network beginning at 9:00 AM the same day. He adds that because of the mandatory evacuations that are occurring, it's likely that radio amateurs will be asked to serve county emergency services facilities and emergency relocation shelters with backup radio communications support.

Meantime similar preparations are ongoing up the Atlantic coast all the way into New England and beyond. In an e-mail to Amateur Radio Newsline, Steve Schwarm, W3EVE, Wrentham, Massachusetts, who is the District Emergency Coordinator says that a list of hams available to server in this emergency is being created. This, for ARES deployment to serve as National Weather Service Storm Survey Teams.

Schwarn's note says that hams would also be dispatched to various Emergency Operations Centers, Red Cross and Salvation Army operations sites as well as hospitals as they are required. W3EVE tells the hams in his region that it is important to keep their situation awareness level high for any updates from ARES leadership. They do this by checking their e-mail and monitoring local SKYWARN, ARES and RACES frequencies for any updates on this developing situation.

Also ready for activation are several established operations. This includes the Hurricane Watch Net on 14.325 MHz. It provides storm watch communications to and from the National Hurricane Center in Miami, Florida during times of hurricane emergencies.

Also in operation will be the VoIP or Voice Over Internet Protocol Weather Net. This operation uses Echolink and IRLP to provide a similar service.

As hurricane Irene tracks up the Eastern seaboard its intensity will, as always, depend on many changing factors. So right now it is too early to meaningfully state how the storm will affect specific areas.

Lastly, as we go to air we advise all residents in the affected regions, be they hams and non hams alike are advised to keep an ear tuned to their local newscasts and weather bulletins. These could very well save your life.

In the newsroom in Los Angeles, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, reporting for the Amateur Radio Newsline. Don.

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More on Hurricane Irene and ham radio involvement in next weeks Amateur Radio Newsline report. (ARNewsline(tm), K3VSA, W3EVE, KC5FM, RAC, ARRL, others)

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BREAKING DX NEWS: TIMOR LESTE - EAST TIMOR TO BE QRV SEPT 16

The long awaited 4W6A Timor-Leste DXpedition is now less than one month away. 4W6A will be operational from Atauro Island in East Timor from

September 16th to the 26th. They will be on 160 through 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY with up to four stations operating simultaneously.

The QSL manager for this operation is M0URX. You can QSL direct, via the bureau, or electronically using Lognook of the World. Direct or bureau QSLs may also be requested using the M0URX Online QSL Request Service at m0urx.com/oqrs. We will have more DX news later on in this weeks Amateur Radio Newsline report. (OPDX)

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>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the N5JGX repeater serving Austin, Texas.

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WITH NEWSLINE: 2011 YHOTY AWARD PRESENTED TO KAITLYN S. COLE, KS3P

Satrurday, August 20th was a big day in the life of 11 year olf Kaitlyn Cole, KS3P. At the 2011 Huntsville Hamfest, Kaitlyn was presented with this years Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award. Reading from a prepared statement, Kaitlyn had quite a story to tell about her involvement in the tornadoes that ravaged her home state and her decision to try to help those in need:

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KS3P: "When the tornado struck on April 27th, I was very scared. We had no power and the phone was dead. I did not know how lucky we were until my parents took us out driving around our community.

"Some of my neighbors had lost everything or had their lives cut short by the tornadoes that struck. It was not some far off event on the news. This was personal to me.

"I didn't think a young ham like myself could do much, especially an 11 year old elementary student. My dad took me down to a command post in a Huntsville church. We signed some release forms and were given wrist bands. We then met up with Charlie, W1CST. Charlie gave me a chance to operate and provided guidance. It was really overwhelming at first because I was completely new to doing net control in a real emergency.

"At the time, I knew I was helping out but didn't think much about it because there were so many hams working. For me it was a way to cope with the devastation and to give something back to my community."

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Kaitlin also shared her ham radio dreams of the future with the assembled crowd:

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KS3P: "With amateur radio my goals and opportunities keep expanding. I've accomplished some of my goals but not all.

"I hope in the future to act as a DX station and not just work DX at home.

"I hope to do more videos on YouTube to encourage more youth into the hobby and to work some modes I have not yet tried.

"The sky is the limit with ham radio."

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I had the honor of emceeing this year's award ceremony along with representatives of corporate underwriters Vertex-Standard, CQ Publishing and Heil Sound. And it was likely Rich Moseson, W2VU of CQ, who summed it up best as to why Kaitlyn was chosen as this year's award recipient.

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W2VU: "Looking over the nomination for Kaitlyn this year the thing that jumped out at me were that an 11 year old -no go back to age 9 -and your typical 8 year old ham going to the Dayton Hamventionr and going to the Dayton Youth Lounge would be going there to do things and be guided by older young hams in things to do. But not Kaitlyn. She was there to help run the booth.

"And this spring with the tornadoes that hit here. Your average young ham might be helping out in the field or something like that, but Kaitlyn was net control.

"So, she is yet another example of those young hams who are head and shoulders above everyone else which has always been the defining qualification for this award."

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All in all it was a great afternoon to honor a very giving young woman who even though she is only age 11 has proven that hams of any age are ready and willing to serve their community in times of need. As such, we join with our corporate underwriters and with the Huntsville Hamfest in congratulating Kaitlyn S. Cole, KS3P, for her dedication to the hobby, to the community and really to all of mankind. (ARNewsline(tm))

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RADIO LAW: LA CELLPHONE TICKET GIVEN TO HAM OPERATING 2 METER MOBILE

A California ham has been cited for operating mobile using a 2 meter radio installed in his car and this could become a test case to find out whether the restrictive anti-cellphone law can be used against other two-way radio users.

According to a note from Dick McKay, K6VGP, a member of the Disaster Amateur Radio Network identified as Irving Osser, KE6YR, received a ticket for using his amateur 2 meter radio in his car. According to McKay, the Los Angeles motorcycle officer stated that he saw Osser on his cell phone. KE6YR tried to show the officer the two meter radio with the coil cord microphone and said he was talking to another amateur on the radio. He also tried to show the officer the hands free system he uses on his BlackBerry and finally tried to show him the cell phone log that indicated no calls were made or received.

But the officer was not interested in hearing about any of it and it has now became a tell it to the judge matter. And here is where the possibly becoming a test case for the California law. This is because Osser is an attorney by profession and plans to represent himself in court with the proper knowledge about how to address the subject.

While California does not provide any exceptions for ham radio operators, CB'ers and other non-emergency two-way radio users, by definition, two-way radio gear is not a hand held cellular telephone. None-the-less, KE6YR will still have the burden to prove in court that what he was doing was legal and that he was in fact not using a wireless telephone as defined by law. (K6VGP)

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RADIO LAW: FAC AFFIRMS $10,000 FORFEITURE ORDER TO FLORIDA UNLICENSED BROADCASTER

A Florida resident who allegedly operated an unlicensed broadcast radio station has been ordered to pay a ten thousand dollar fine. In an August 22nd release, the Regional Director for the South Central Region of the FCC's Enforcement Bureau ordered Patrick Michael Ford of Fort Myers to pay a previously imposed Notice of Apparent Liability or NAL.

Back on May 5th the Enforcement Bureau's Tampa Office issued the Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture to Ford after it traced illegal broadcasts to him. The FCC says that to date, Ford has not filed a response to the NAL. Therefore, based on the information before it the regulatory agency has now affirmed the forfeiture order and given him 30 days to pay. If he fails to do so the matter can be turned over to the Department of Justice for collection. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: $25000 NAL ISSUED FOR INTERFERENCE TO AIRPORT WEATHER RADAR

The FCC has issued Rapidwave, LLC of Saratoga Springs, Utah, a $25,000 Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture order. This, for operating a 5 Gigahertz unlicensed Part 15 system in a manner inconsistent with rules, and for allegedly causing interference to an FAA Terminal Doppler Weather Radar system serving the Salt Lake City International Airport. Amateur Radio Newsline's Jim Davis, W2JKD, has the details:

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According to the FCC, on Oct. 27, 2010, an enforcement agent from the Denver office, along with FAA personnel, located emissions at 5600 MHz coming from a Ubiquiti Xtreme Range 5 transceiver located at the Lake Mountain communications site in Saratoga Springs, Utah. The site in question was identified as being operated by Rapidwave LLC. Over the next 24 hours the FCC and FAA personnel established that this system at the Lake Mountain site was the source of the interference.

According to the FCC, all 5 GHz unlicensed national information infrastructure devices operating in the 5.25 to 5.35 GHz and 5.475 to 5.725 GHz bands must contain circuitry known Dynamic Frequency Selection. This is a radar detection capability which allows them to detect the presence of radar systems and avoid co-channel interference. During the Lake Mountain site inspection it was determined that as it was operating, the transceiver did not have Dynamic Frequency Selection functionality. Rapidwave changed the operating frequency to stop the interference to the Salt Lake City Terminal Doppler Weather Radar.

The inspection also revealed that Rapidwave had added a high gain parabolic antenna to the system. Calculations performed by the FCC agent indicated the Effective Radiated Power for this system may have exceeded the maximum permitted by the FCC Rules for operation on the frequency used by Rapidwave. You can read the entire text of this FCC enforcement action at tinyurl.com/fcc-utah-fine.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Jim Davis, W2JKD.

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Rapidwave was given the customary 30 days to pay the fine or to file an appeal. (FCC, RW, TVT)

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RADIO LAW: FCC TO ELIMINATE ANOTHER 80 OUTDATED RULES

The Federal Communications Commission is eliminating another 83 rules from its books. This, as part of its reform agenda and commitment to a request from President Obama earlier this year to improve or remove any rules that were out of date.

Among the eliminated rules is the Fairness Doctrine enacted back in 1949 which was intended to promote balanced discussion of controversial issues. As more broadcast stations and cable channels became available, the need to mandate a diversity of viewpoints was no longer felt necessary and the rule was abolished in 1987. As a result, the FCC has not enforced it in more than two decades, but it was never officially taken off the books.

Other rules deleted included media-related regulations that have not been in effect for years. The FCC said the 83 rules eliminated will not have any significant impact on broadcast businesses. So far more than 50 outdated rules in all services it oversees have already been

eliminated as part of the FCC's reform agenda aimed at removing obsolete regulations and revising others to keep up with new technology. (FCC)

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911 COMMERATIVE EVENTS: N0L FROM THE GUARDIANS OF FREEDOM AIR SHOW

Yet another amateur radio club has announced its decision to commemorate the 10th anniversary of the 911 al-Quida terror attacks on the United States. This with news that the Lincoln Amateur Radio Club will be operating special event station N0L in conjunction with the Guardians of Freedom Air Show to be held September 10th and 11th at the Lincoln Airport in the city of Lincoln, Nebraska.

The air show will feature a dazzling performance by the Navy's Blue Angels precision flying team. Meanwhile, station N0LL will be on the air on most High Frequency bands from Septenber 9th thru the 11th. For more information please visit K0KKV.org or lincolnairshow.com on thw World Wide Web. (K0NEB)

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HAM RADIO ON THE WEB: QRZ.COM CREATES NEW FORUM FOR HOMEBREW GEAR SELLERS

The QRZ dot com ham radio website has announced the creation of a new Swapmeet Forum called Ham Made Gear dedicated specifically to the sale of home made ham radio equipment. According to site owner Fred Lloyd, AA7BQ, creation of this new area on QRZ is in keeping with the spirit of helping to foster small businesses started by fellow hams.

This forum is designed for hams who build gear themselves to sell to other hams. As explained by AA7BQ, previously, QRZ disallowed such postings as being "commercial" in nature. Cut says Lloyd this new forum solves that problem allowing semi-commercial, part-time, or hobbyist types of sellers to publicize, promote and sell their products on QRZ. There is no charge for this service, and any ham can participate so long as they are engaged in building gear themselves.

Lloyd stipulates that QRZ will not allow resellers of any kind in this area. All products offered must be manufactured by the seller, who must be a ham listed in the QRZ.com callsign database. (AA7BQ)

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This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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THE CHANGING OF THE GUARD: TRANSFORMER MANUFACTURER PETER DAHL, K0BIT -S.K.

Transformer designer and manufacturer Peter W. Dahl, K0BIT became a Silent Key on August 15th. According to Radio World magazine, Dahl died after a long illness having been battling Parkinson Disease for a number of years.

Peter Dahl, who founded his company in 1964 while still a college student in Minnesota was best known for his custom-wound transformers. These were particularly popular with ham radio operators, though he also counted radio and TV stations among numerous clients. After retiring in 2007, Dahl sold his designs to Harbach Electronics which continues to supply many of the products K0BIT had designed.

Peter W. Dahl, K0BIT, was age 71 at the time of his passing. He is survived by his wife Clarice, his daughter Tamra and sister, Priscilla. A memorial service was held August 19th in El Paso, Texas. (RW)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: ARRL ANNOUNCES SM ELECTION RESULTS

Two ARRL Section Manager in challenged elections have been re-elected by ballot to serve another term in office. In Georgia, incumbent Gene Clark, W4AYK, of Albany, was re-elected to a second term with 820 votes. In Western Washington, Jim Pace, K7CEX, of Centralia, was re-elected for a third term with 965 votes. Both men will begin new terms of office on October 1st.

Also on October 1st, Colorado will be getting a new Section Manager in the person of Jack Ciaccia, WM0G, of Boulder. He takes over from Jeff Ryan, K0RM, who decided not to run for another term. Ciaccia currently serves as an Assistant Section Manager, Public Information Officer and Official Emergency Station in the Colorado Field Organization.

All other incumbent Section Managers standing for re-election faced no opposition this year. (ARRL)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: IARU REGION ONE ELECTS NEW EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Meantime, Region One of the International Amateur Radio Union has elected a new Executive Committee. They are Hans Timmerman, PB2T, as President; Hani Raad, OD5TE, as Vice President; Dennis Green, ZS4BS, as secretary and Andreas Thiemann, HB9JOE as Treasurer.

Four other hams from across IARU Region One were also elected to member status of the Committee. The election took place at the 22nd International Amateur Radio Union Region 1 General conference recently held in Sun City, South Africa. (IARU R-1)

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HAM RADIO ON THE WEB: THE LAST US BASED VOA STATION VIDEO

A fascinating video about the last Voice of America transmitter still operational from the continental United States is now available for viewing on-line. The video not only details the services provided by this VOA transmitter site but also pays respect to the work of the 16 engineers at the Greenville, North Carolina facility that keep the 60 year old shortwave technology operational and on-the air. You can sere the University of North Carolina produced video on line at tinyurl.com/voausanc (G8WGN via Facebook)

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: FCC ISSUES EXPERIMENTAL SPACE LICENSE FPOR 2 METER AND 70 CM OPERATIONS

The FCC has issued a new experimental license with the call letters WF2XSP to one James Cutler to operate in 144 to 146 MHz and 437 to 439 MHz spectrum. This, for testing an image processing algorithm that will be used on a future space flight mobile, Low Earth Orbit operations ranging from 450 to 820 kilometers in altitude.

The FCC announcement made no other reference to the nature of Cutler's experimentation nor why he requested to do so in the amateur 2 meter and 70 centimeter bands. QRZ.com lists six radio amateurs by the name of James Cutler, but its unknown if any of them are the same James Cutler who has obtained the Experimental License from the FCC. (FCC)

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WORLDBEAT: MONTREAL TO HOST RAC 2012 AGM

Turning to international news, word that the Montreal Amateur Radio Club will host 2012 Radio Amateurs of Canada's Annual General Meeting. The location of the 2012 Annual General Meeting was announced during the 2011 Annual General Meeting held in St. John's Newfoundland. The exact dates in 2012 will be announced this fall in September or October. (RAC)

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WORLDBEAT: SLOVOKIA GIVES HAMS EXPANDED 60 METER PRIVILEGES

Slovak Radio Amateurs are now allowed to use the entire 60 meter band 5258.5 to 5410.0 kilohertz band instead of the previous allocation of a single channel on 5260 kHz but with some caveats. Operations are allowed for experimental purposes with a maximum power of 100 Watts Effective Radiated Power. Licenses for this spectrum are valid for only 1 year. (Southgate)

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WORLDBEAT: RADIO TELESCOPES ASSIST IN STUDY OF BINARY X-RAY STAR

Astronomers from Wales and the Netherlands, in collaboration with five schools, have used eight radio telescopes simultaneously to study the

strange behavior of an X-ray binary star system.

IGR J00291+5934 is a rare X-ray binary system containing a pulsar and a normal star. Only 12 such systems are known.

In September 2008, 00291 increased in brightness at X-ray wavelengths by a factor of at least a thousand times and in visible wavelengths by a factor of around a hundred times. While this type of outburst is not uncommon for this type of system, the timescale is usually months to years. However in this case 00291, was in its outburst for only 20 days and then faded away to its normal faint state but then re-brightened within 30 days.

The results of the study were presented by postgraduate student Fraser Lewis at the RAS National Astronomy Meeting in Llandudno, Wales, on April 18. (Science OnLine)

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ON THE AIR: KS QSO PARTY AUG 27 - 28

On the air, listen out for the for the Kansas Sesquicentennial QSO Party on August 27-28. this years event celebrates the 150th Anniversary of Kansas statehood and will feature a myriad of 1 by 1 callsigns operating across the state. For additional information please check the Kansas QSO Party web site at www.ksqsoparty.org. (KB0RWI)

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DX

In DX, a team of experienced operators are preparing an amateur radio expedition to the island Rotuma. Their goal is to activate the island of on all bands from 160 through 2 meters using CW, SSB, FM, RTTY, SSTV, PSK, and several other modes. They expect the first activity on the amateur radio frequencies on September 27th, and plan to be active the next 10 days. QSL via YT1AD, direct or via the bureau

Listen out for the 20 amateur radio special event stations in Spain to be active through September 11th. Each station represents a football team competing in the Spanish Football League Teams. A special 2011 EA Football League Teams Award is available to those who mare contact. Complete details are available at www dot ea-flt dot com.

A number of operators from South Korea and Japan were on the air using the callsign D9A from the South Korean island of Cheju from August 19th to the 26th. If you made contact with D9A, please QSL via DS4EOI.

EI7CC is in Lesotho for through August 30tth and is active as 7P8PB. He hopes to upload his logs to Logbook of the World on a daily basis.

DH2AK and DL1THM will be active stroke PJ2 from the island of Curacao from through September 8th. They will be using an Icom IC-7000

transceiver, a Buddipole and operating holiday style. QSL as directed on the air.

Rugby enthusiasts look out for ZL4RUGBY operated by ZL4PW through October 31st. This is to celebrate the 2011 Rugby World Cup being played in New Zealand. QSL via ZL4PW.

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(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: SPEED OF LIGHT PRECLUDES TIME TRAVEL

And finally this week word that physicists have confirmed the ultimate speed limit for the packets of light called photons and in doing so have made the concept of time travel even less likely than thought.

The speed of light in vacuum is considered the universe's ultimate speed limit, but experiments in recent years suggested that single photons might beat this. And if that were proven true, then at least in theory time travel might be possible.

Now, a paper in Physical Review Letters shows that individual photons are also limited to the vacuum speed limit. This means that photons maintain the principle of causality laid out in Einstein's theory of special relativity. This appears to mean that an event's effect cannot precede its cause by traveling faster than light. It is violation of this causality that would, in principle, permit time travel.

In ham radio, that would essentially mean that one cannot hold a QSO with a rare DX station until that station is actually on the air. This, even though some radio amateurs have been known to try.

More on this scientific discovery that is bound to annoy believers in warp speed travel is on-line at tinyurl.com/435b833 (BBC via Southgate)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING AUGUST 28 2011.

NEW WIA DIRECTOR

Silent Key Lee Norrish VK2TLN

One and only RD address is rdlogs@wia.org.au

THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING AUGUST 28 2011.

International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend - 2011

Kevin vk2ce the Event Organizer has sent a personal congratulation to all
VK amateurs who participated in this year's ILLW event held last weekend.

In 1998 four Australian stations participated in what then was a very young
event. Last weekend saw 66 stations registered with possibly others on the air
who did not send|in an entry form.

This country has around 400 lighthouses which qualify for the event which means
some 17 percent of our lights were on the air.

Some of these lighthouses are in remote locations and require some expenditure
and effort to get there and set up a station. For example a VK3 ham went to
King Island, another amateur walked a long way to get to Wilson's Promontory

lighthouse and no doubt there are others who can speak of similar feats.

VK's were second only to the USA where 80 stations registered which is only a very small proportion of their total number of lighthouses. It was good to see an upsurge in numbers from that country.

Kevin singled out Jim Linton VK3PC for his untiring efforts to promote this event both here and overseas, and hopes to see you all again next year and oh! bring a friend!

ACMA NEWS

Future options for the siting of satellite Earth stations

The Australian Communications and Media Authority has released a discussion paper signalling its intention to develop a long-term strategy for the sustainable siting of satellite Earth stations.

Earth station siting provides guidance on both the establishment of new Earth stations and other space communications facilities as well as the expansion of existing facilities.

The ACMA paper considers the potential options for the siting of Earth stations into the future by taking a band by band approach to the identification of the challenges of using each space frequency band up to 20 GHz. The band by band assessment primarily focuses on Earth receive bands including radio astronomy bands.

The paper also considers each current major Earth station site in Australia, discussing the implications of spectrum demand on the continued viability of that particular site.

The closing date for submissions to the Earth station siting discussion paper is close of business 7 October 2011. The paper is available on the ACMA website.

http://acma.gov.au/WEB/STANDARD/pc=PC_410114

(Sourced from an ACMA Media Release)

HOME OF THE GOOD GUYS

A special Request from NZINFOLINE

They have received a request from the son of a silent key, hopefully someone will be able to help, if so please contact Dave directly on the address which you will find when you get the print edition of this news from wia.org.au

It would seem that the SKey was an avid HAM operator in the late 40's and 50's. QTH being Waiheke Island in Auckland until he was drowned in a boating accident in 1957.

His call sign was ZL1MG.

Dave, the Son, remembers he had a lot of QSL cards from other operators and he sent out a few as well, well he was wondering if any listener would happen to

have one of his original ZL1MG cards?

David Parkin.
d.parkin@xtra.co.nz

The Chicago Sun-Times reports on two radio amateurs, Dorothy Truhlar N9ALC (89) and Bob Truhlar W9LNQ (90) who have just celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary. Bob got his ham license in 1938 while Dorothy got her ticket in 1958.

Read the article 70 years of ribbing, hamming and wedded bliss
http://www.suntimes.com/lifestyles/6864388-423/70-years-of-ribbing-hamming-and-wedded-bliss.html

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news
Email Address : r_demkiw@yahoo.com.au

BBQ at VK2WI with Pierce VK2APQ.

Pierce VK2APQ will visit VK2WI Dural on Sunday the 4th of September.

He plans to arrive in time for the broadcast and call-backs. Listeners are invited to join ARNSW and Pierce afterwards for a BBQ lunch.

Pierce celebrated his 100th birthday the 14th of this month at a function of family and friends. Several Amateurs were in attendance.

To help with catering numbers please indicate if you plan to attend by either an email or phone to the contact details in this weeks text edition of this newscast.

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VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/
Police Roundup http://www.vicpolicenews.com.au/

Logo of the Centenary is launched

Now featured on the Amateur Radio Victoria website amateurradio.com.au is the celebratory logo for the organisation's 100th birthday.

It featured also in the World's First Digital Amateur Television QSO Party held this weekend.

Also those who have their mp3 players video screen activated for this podcast and or WIANews audio files will see it 'front and centre'.

The new logo with its star-over-the-horizon element is also to appear on QSL cards and the Amateur Radio Victoria Centenary Award.

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

VK4 - QNEWS
web service local audio news:- www.wiaq.com/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
local news email qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
VKR Roundup http://www.police.qld.gov.au/News+and+Alerts/Media+Releases/

Welcome to QNews from VK4WIA. I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP, and I've been thinking.

We radio amateurs like to think that we are comfortable with technology and the new generations of electronic toys are no exception. But some of these developments have taken a long, long time to evolve from the drawing board to large scale production. Others survive for centuries.

For convenience and ease of note taking, there is little better than paper and pencil or pen. For copious records, the capacity of the thumb drive is hard to supplant. The ubiquitous thumb drive took years to become cheaply available even although non-volatile ram was developed in the late 1980's. Both the audio and video tape recorders germinated, bloomed and passed into obsolescence, during this same period.

The lcd screen first made news as part of the personal GPS units used by American soldiers during the Desert Storm campaign. Optical disks, CD to Blue Ray are part of the same age cohort.

When Brisbane was host to the Commonwealth Games, the late '80's, the host broadcaster broke new ground by storing items on Winchester drives. With the coming of digital television, many homes now use a personal video recorder whose heart is indeed a hard drive.

We tend to try the new and adopt those things which work for us. Most radio shacks, I suspect, are a blend of the old and the new.

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think....how about you?

CLUBBING - TO SUPPLY NEWS ITEMS:-
email qnews@wia.org.au

CENTRAL QUEENSLAND AR CLUB
Rockhampton
cqar.com.au

The International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend was a very successful event for the Central Queensland Amateur Radio Association Inc. Over 300 contacts were made that included over 40 lighthouses and 6 countries.

The accommodations, food, company and fishing were great. A great weekend was had by all. Many thanks go out to Ray - VK4HOT and Jason - VK4FJGS for organizing the weekend. Also many thanks to Graham - VK4NFZ for the antennas and the majority of the equipment used over the weekend.

The club raffle of a Yaesu FT-1802M/E radio was drawn at the last meeting. The new lucky owner is CQARA Club Member Jim - VK4JYM. Congratulations Jim.

Don't forget to make your arrangements for the CQARA Annual Getaway at Cool Waters on the Capricorn Coast. Contact our President Andrea VK4FROG for

more information. Andrea can be contacted at president@cqara.org.au

I'm Adam - VK4MTJ on behalf of the Central Queensland Amateur Radio Association Inc

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Greetings from Rockhampton and District Amateur Radio Club, the RADAR Club. I'm Les VK4VIL.

Last weekend our club returned to Cape Capricorn, AU0059, for the International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend, one of our major events for the year.

Cape Capricorn is situated approximately 50km ESE of Rockhampton and is quite remote, requiring a five hour boat trip each way between the Cape and Rosslyn Bay near Yeppoon. We used a 20ft motor boat and a 40ft motor sailer.

Conditions were great for the journey out, but winds of 25 to 30 knots developed for the return trip. An APRS which was (VK4KLL-9) was installed on one of the vessels, which allowed club members and friends to monitor the trip.

All involved stayed in the old light keeper's cottage, with antennas at the same position as the original communications mast. As well as the usual array of wires and beams erected at the lighthouse for long distance work, a cross band repeater was also installed for local comms.

During the weekend, operators spoke with over 400 other radio stations in about 30 countries including Germany, Namibia, USA, Japan, Spain, England, Chile and Northern Marianas. In excess of 40 lighthouses stations were contacted.

Thanks to our hosts from Cape Capricorn Lighthouse Escape which lease and maintain the Capricorn Lighthouse precinct as a retreat enterprise. And yes, the fish were on the bite again and we've have already registered for 2012.

This is Les VK4VIL on behalf of the Rockhampton and District Amateur Radio Club

The Sunshine Coast Amateur Radio Club's annual HAMFEST - SUNFEST 2011 is a an event for Amateur Radio Operators, CB Radio users, Radio and Electronics enthusiasts, Computer bits and pieces.

New gear as well as pre-loved bits of everything on sale.

SUNFEST 2011
Doors Open at 0900 hrs Saturday 10 September 2011
at
Woombye School of Arts Blackall Street, Woombye (UBD Map 66 F12)

Only last week I telephoned the President of the Townsville Amateur Radio club to arrange some audio recordings pertaining to the up coming Far North qld Amateur Radio Convention.

Just a couple of days later the President, Richard VK4FRJG suffered a heart attack at home.

he is very lucky in that his daughter Renee, an intensive care nurse stationed at The Townsville Hospital was home with him at the time and was able to do everything possible to ensure Richards survival.

Richard is currently in the Intensive Cardiac Care ward at The Townsville Hospital.

VK7
local area news :- http://reast.asn.au/news.php
vk7 local news, email vk7regionalnews-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

Cradle Coast Amateur Radio Club has it's first life member.

Maurice, VK7ZMR, was granted life membership to the Club recently and pleasantly surprised was he when presented with his life membership certificate.

Congratulations Maurice.

(David, VK7DC, Secretary, CCARC)

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Amateur Radio Assessments and training

Persons in the N/West Area of VK7 interested in Training and Assessments for all classes of Amateur Radio Licenses are advised that the Club can provide these requirements and much more.

Maybe someone wishes to upgrade. Well the club has the appropriately trained personnel with Facilitators from the Radio and Electronics School who can attend to all requirements should candidates so desire.

For more information, please contact the Club's Learning Organizer Tony VK7AX, or the Club. Contact details can be found on the Club Web Site or the WIA site under VK7 Clubs.

(Tony VK7AX, President - North West Tas. ATV Group)

REAST Training, Education & Assessment

If you are interested in undertaking an amateur radio exam and/or training and this could be for foundation, standard, advanced, regulations or practical and are in the South of VK7 then contact learning organiser Reg VK7KK on 0417 391 607

(73, Reg VK7KK, REAST Education Officer and Assessor)

Hornsby and Districts Amateur Radio Club Saturday the 1st of October will be holding an examination and assessment session for all grades of licence.

Please contact 02 9487 3383 if you wish to attend.

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New WIA Director

Peter Young VK3MV has resigned as a director of the WIA, wishing to reduce his commitments. However, the Board is delighted that Peter will continue to be deeply involved with the WIA's work with the ACMA and government generally.

Under the WIA Constitution, the Board is obliged to appoint a new director for the balance of a retiring director's term. The Board has appointed Trent Sampson VK4TI a director for the balance of Peter's term.

Trent was first licensed as a result of the CB boom of the 70s as VK2NDK/VK2YHA in Tamworth NSW and then progressed through a series of callsigns VK2KTS, VK2ZI, moving to Queensland in 1999 with his current callsign VK4TI. Trent is a keen contester and a member of the VK Contest Club and is on the contest committee for the Oceania Dx Contest as well as being the manager of the VK Shires contest. Trent is an Insurance Adviser and also a qualified Financial Planner.

SILENT KEY

As most would be aware we seldom announce Silent Keys during the National News, unless that Amateur was extremely well known right across Australia.

This Silent Key however is probably only well known in the Sydney, maybe the VK2 area itself but his achievements Ham Radio wise personify a legacy passed down since Ham Radio Commenced. That of providing services to other like minded hams at no charge, utilising his work place facilities!

This Amateur was but 34 years of age when he succumbed to a Heart attack!

Lee Norrish, VK2TLN.

For the amateur radio community, Lee Norrish leaves behind a massive legacy and equal uncertainty among the 70cm community in Sydney.

Lee Norrish was the key person responsible for an exceptional 70cm repeater network which flourished across Sydney over the past few years.

His point access to the best commercial RF sites in Sydney, enabled him to slip into place a mixture of linked amateur repeaters and voting receivers at Horsley Park, Kurrajong Heights, Hurstville, Carlingford, Campbelltown, Razorback and the crown jewel of them all, Governor Phillip Tower.

The result is a remarkable contribution to the Sydney 70cm community and with more sites believed to have been still in the pipeline, a magic era in 70cm repeater experimentation appears lost.

Governor Phillip Tower stands as a monument.

As a powerful reminder of Lee's vision for a peerless 70cm repeater network for the amateur community.

Lee had been very active in assisting volunteer groups, including St John's Ambulance.

Lee Norrish, VK2TLN, you WILL be missed!

(sourced to vk2wi news)

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART and the WW sources of the WIA.

Tropical Cyclone Information Statements

WOCN31 CWHX 252345

Tropical cyclone information statement updated by the Canadian Hurricane Centre of Environment Canada at 7:54 PM ADT Thursday 25 August 2011.

Tropical cyclone information statement for:
Atlantic provinces
Southern Quebec.

For hurricane Irene.

The next statement will be issued by 3:00 AM ADT.

This is an updated preliminary information statement to discuss Hurricane Irene's effect on Canada. Full messaging on this Storm will begin at 3 AM ADT.

Hurricane Irene is a major hurricane now exiting the Bahamas With winds near 180 km/h. The hurricane is moving north-northwest at about 20 km/h. Irene is forecast to track over Eastern North Carolina on Saturday. Thereafter Irene is expected to track north-northeastward either through New England or the maritime provinces late this weekend and into Monday. The track and intensity will, as always, depend on many changing factors over the next 3 days. Thus, it is too early to meaningfully state how the storm will affect specific areas. However, it is common that the heaviest rainfall occurs to the left of the track and highest winds to the right with this sort of storm. At this point in time we encourage consulting the bulletins at least twice a day for updates on our forecast and discussions.

Visit weatheroffice.Gc.Ca/hurricane (all in lower case) for the latest track information.

Please also refer to the public and marine forecasts and warnings issued by Environment Canada for your area.

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www.weatheroffice.gc.ca/hurricane/index_e.html

Slovakia gets 150 kHz wide 5 MHz band

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5258.5 - 5410.0 kHz is allowed for experimental purposes with a maximum power of 100 Watts ERP and the Slovakian licences are valid for 1 year.

(Slovakia Amateur Radio Association (SARA) http://tinyurl.com/SlovakiaSARA)

MARS ROVER OPPORTUNITY ORDERED BY RADIO TO SPIRIT POINT

NASA's Mars Exploration Rover Opportunity will revisit the rim of Endeavour crater on Mars, where its rover twin Spirit finished its 6-year-long mission in May.

The rover scientific research vehicles had completed their three-month prime missions on Mars in April 2004. Both went on to extended missions and in the process each made important discoveries about the environment on ancient Mars which suggested the possibility for microbial life on the red planet.

Driving commands sent by radio to Opportunity directed the rover to make its final push toward Endeavour crater. This is a 14-mile-wide depression near the Martian equator could be the research vehicle's final destination.

The target for Opportunity is a site on the rim of the Endeavour crater named Spirit Point. It was given that designation by the Mars Rover Controllers in honour of the Opportunity's lost twin.

EI amateurs allowed 1500 watts for contests

A few months ago the Irish Radio Transmitters Society announced that, after some two years of negotiations, Irish regulator ComReg had agreed that EI licensees would be allowed to run high power in specified contests.

Everything then went quiet for a couple of months, but ComReg has now published a document on their web site implementing the change.

Consequently, suitably equipped Irish contesters are now able to run 1500 watts in major HF contests and 1000 watts in VHF/UHF contests.

The list of permitted events is similar to the one in which UK stations may use short contest callsigns, although more contests could be added to the list in due course.

Interestingly, the increased power limit applies to 4m and the whole of the 160m band, but, curiously, not the 10m band.

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

DR. LARRY PRICE W4RA NAMED ARRL PRESIDENT EMERITUS

Some words of congratulations to Dr. Larry Price, W4RA, on his being named ARRL President Emeritus.

Dr. Price served as the League's President from 1984 to 1992 and previous to that as a Vice Director, Director and Vice President of the ARRL Board of

Directors. He also served for 10 years as Secretary of the International Amateur Radio Union and another 10 years as that organization's President. In fact, Dr. Price continues to serve the IARU as an expert consultant and has been recognized as President Emeritus by the IARU's Administrative Council.

The naming of W4RA as ARRL President Emeritus was made in celebration of his ongoing dedication to the Amateur Radio Service and in recognition of his 60th anniversary as a radio amateur.

FORD TO ELIMINATE CD PLAYERS FROM ITS VEHICLES

Call this a sign of the times. According to news reports, the Ford Motor Company is eliminating CD players in its new United States vehicle models and opting to instead install USB sockets for iPods and other digital music players. Ford notes that all of its new cars will have a computer hub, which will allow drivers to access their music libraries from the Internet.

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WEIRD AND WONDERFUL

PLEASE REMOVE THE BATTERIES BEFORE YOU SHIP ANYTHING THAT TICKS

And finally this week the tale of the ticking box. It comes from Portage, Michigan where an electronic metronome was the cause of a Post Office scare!

It seems that postal workers noticed a ticking noise coming from a package around 5:30 a.m. Fearing the worst, Portage Police along with the Kalamazoo Department of Public Safety's bomb squad were called in to investigate and the Post Office was evacuated.

In this case, authorities were able to get in contact with the owner of the package, who told police that there was nothing more than an electronic metronome inside. Even so, prior to employees being allowed back inside the building, the bomb squad went in and removed the package.

Upon investigation, bomb squad personnel did find nothing more than an electronic metronome inside the package. Postal workers were allowed back into the Post Office just before 8 a.m..

And all this comes with a few words of advice. If you plan to mail a metronome, a clock or anything that makes a ticking noise, take out the batteries before you ship it. That can save your community thousands of dollars spent on an un-needed emergency response and save you a lot of grief.

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2011

Aug 27-28 ALARA YL CONTEST

Oct 22 WIA Jack Files Contest

Nov 26-27 WIA Spring VHF-UHF Field Day

2012

January VK Ross Hull Memorial VHF UHF Contest

March 17-18 VK JOHN MOYLE MEMORIAL FIELD DAY

June Long Weekend (vk4 time) VK Shires Contest.

July First full weekend NZART Memorial Contest

RD CONTEST

Please make a note that there is only ONE email address to send your
completed RD log to and that is the one shown on the WIA contest page.

rdlogs@wia.org.au

If you send it to ANY other email address it WILL end up in cyber-space!

rdlogs@wia.org.au

IARU REGION ONE IN SUN CITY

On contesting the meeting agreed that the CW contest-preferred segment from
7 000 - 7 025 kHz is withdrawn from the Region 1 band plan.

All Societies should encourage contest organisers to include a rule that
restricts contest activity to a limited frequency range within the CW
allocation. The choice of frequency segment is left to the discretion of the
contest organisers, but should take into account expected activity levels and
show consideration for non-contest operation

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

For rugby enthusiasts, look out for ZL4RUGBY operated by ZL4PW now until the
31st October. This to celebrate the 2011 Rugby World Cup being played in
New Zealand.

The special event station GB4BOB will be active, from September 1-20 each year
to celebrate the Battle of Britain. Look for special event station GB4BOB
next month.
QSL via the Bureau or direct to G0BPK.

4W6A will be QRV from Atauro Island IOTA OC-232, East Timor from 16 to 26 Sept.
All bands 10 to 160 metres, CW, SSB and RTTY.
QSL manager is M0URX, direct (SAE plus 1 IRC / $2), via the bureau, or LoTW.

More from the IARU Region One conference held in Sun City is that
The "DX Code of Conduct" was approved and operators were urged to support it:
John VK2JJW has that 'code'.

I will listen, and listen, and then listen again before calling.

I will only call if I can copy the DX station properly.

I will not trust the DX cluster and will be sure of the DX station's call sign
before calling.

I will not interfere with the DX station nor anyone calling and will never tune
up on the DX frequency or in the QSX slot.

I will wait for the DX station to end a contact before I call.

I will always send my full call sign.

I will call and then listen for a reasonable interval. I will not call continuously.

I will not transmit when the DX operator calls another call sign, not mine.

I will not transmit when the DX operator queries a call sign not like mine.

I will not transmit when the DX station requests geographic areas other than mine.

When the DX operator calls me, I will not repeat my call sign unless I think he has copied it incorrectly.

I will be thankful if and when I do make a contact.

I will respect my fellow radio amateurs and conduct myself so as to earn their respect.

THE QNEWS WORK BENCH - the nuts and volts report - Measure Twice cut once

I'm Col-. VK3LED

HEATHKIT SAYS IT'S RETURNING TO THE KIT SUPPLY MARKETPLACE.

Heathkit says it is re-entering the kit business that it abandoned almost two decades ago. In an announcement posted to its heathkit.com website, Heathkit Educational Systems, which is the current name for the company, states that in late August, the company debuted its new line of do-it-yourself kits for common around-the-house items.

Don't look for ham radio gear to be a top priority, even though the word on the street is that kits for the amateur radio market, may be down the road! Right now, the company is starting off with more general interest kits with their first entry being a Garage Parking Assistant, or G-P-A for short.

The Garage Parking assistant lets someone build their own system that uses ultrasonic sound to locate a car as it enters the garage. The system signals to the driver using LED lights mounted on the wall, when the car is detected and in the perfect spot for parking. Next on the market will be a Wireless Swimming Pool Monitor kit followed by many more novel items.

For those of you to young to remember, it was on March 30, 1992, that the then managers of Heathkit announced that after some 45 years, the company was closing out its kits and leaving the business.

So why has Heathkit decided to re-enter the kit market?

To hazard a guess you have to remember that the current incarnation of Heathkit, is an educational materials supplier. As such it has likely taken notice of the burgeoning maker and hacker community. This is an ever expanding group of technology hobbyist's world wide, that in recent years has grown into a multi-million dollar business opportunity for those smart enough to recognize it and are ready to fill the void. These are also the people that many believe

will be the next generation of technology leaders and radio amateurs

MEDIA WATCH
www.cq-amateur-radio.com/WorldRadio.html
VK Club Bulletins http://groups.yahoo.com/group/aarnie/

Today in media watch it's to VK3PV with a look at Septembers AR Magazine, and we take a look at ourselves!

A new 40 meter retransmission of this news is on the air!

7.088 at 0000 hours Sunday Morning's that's Moon West Australian time and Bunbury Radio Club, VK6BRC is the callsign.

Barry, VK6WF, a White Stick Operator is putting this all together and sure would like you to have a listen for him, 7.088 at 0000 hrs or Noon WA Time.

Barry's personal call of VK6WF is a very famous call indeed in the West.

The first broadcast station, and it was for a time also on long-wave, was call 6WF for Westralian Farmers. The original 6WF also was one of the first stations in the world to experiment with what was termed then as "palstic radio". It would appear 'plastic radio' was what we now call Stereo! The broadcast 1 channel on MW the other on SW.

This station is now an ABC station and courtesy of the ABC website, lets go back in time to 1924!

(audio re-enactment of 6WF opening)

A look inside Amateur Radio magazine

Editor Peter Freeman VK3PF reflects on the flood of historical articles that has caused a headache, with others needing to be delayed. The Publications Committee needs more input.

WIA President Michael Owen VK3KI touches on Station Inspections and "Possession". Well worth reading as the WIA wants to ensure that the ACMA activity does not become a barrier, to legitimate amateur activities.

The technical articles are building 200 watt band-pass filters by Roderick Wall VK3YC, The Simple Soft Defined Radio from Peter Parker VK3YE, and a simple tuning indicator for a 100 watt HF transmitter by Warren Stirling VK3XSW.

WIA Historian Peter Wolfenden VK3RV, gives us an expose on 100 year old, Honorary Life Member of the WIA, Pierce Healy VK2APQ.

There's GippsTech 2011, a personal view from Roger Harrison VK2ZRH.

You will find regular columns on ALARA, AMSAT, Contests, DX News & Views and Spotlight on SWLing. Amateur Radio magazine, a WIA membership service that's also available at selected news agents.

I'm Barry Robinson VK3PV and you're listening to VK1WIA.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RESCUE RADIO
IARU REGION 3
Emergency Centre of Activity (CoA) frequencies
3.600, 7.110, 14.300, 18.160 and 21.360 MHz

The seventh GAREC conference at Sun City has been regarded a resounding success.

The contributions from various delegates were informative, varied and interesting!

The South African contributions came from Eddie Leighton, ZS6BNE, who discussed the advantages of 'going digital'. This is a subject that will be looked at in more detail as propagation problems persist!

The other contribution came from Craig Lambinon, who heads up the National Sea Rescue Institute (NSRI).

At the end of his presentation, it was agreed in principal that Hamnet and the NSRI will be looking at a closer working relationship.

The next GAREC will take place in Kuala Lumpur in Malaysia in 2012.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP --- MILITARY

Amateur Radio at the Armed Forces Weekend and Enigma Re-union

Bletchley Park's annual Armed Forces Weekend will take place on Saturday 3 and Sunday 4 September and amateur radio will be there.

Celebrating the role of the armed forces throughout history and in particular the role of the cadet forces, the two-day weekend event will look at how Bletchley Park assisted the armed forces during World War Two.

It will feature a range of wartime displays and re-enactment groups, Battle of Britain Memorial Flight Flypasts, featuring a Spitfire and a number of entertaining lectures about the armed forces and Bletchley Park.

Other activities during the weekend will be a display by the Vintage Military Amateur Radio Society of radio equipment spanning the last 100 years, showing how communication in the armed forces has changed over time and become ever more vital.

www.bletchleypark.org.uk

(southgate)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RADIO SCOUTING
http://www.scouts.com.au
http://www.scout.org/jota
http://www.international.scouts.com.au

CALLING FREQUENCIES
Please QSY off the calling frequency after establishing communication.

Australian voice calling frequencies:
3.650, 7.090, 14.190, 21.190, 28.590, 52.160

World CW calling frequencies:
3.570, 7.030, 14.060, 18.080, 21.140, 24.910, 28.180, 50.160

World voice calling frequencies:
3.690 & 3.940 MHz, 7.090 & 7.190, 14.290, 18.140, 21.360,
24.960, 28.390, 50.160

Calling frequencies for Slow Scan TV (SSTV):
3.630, 7.033, 14.227

Calling Frequencies for PSK31
14.070

JOTA

A reminder that JOTA will be held on Sunday 16 October in the North of VK7
at the Kings Meadow Scout Hall commencing at 10.00 am until late afternoon.

Peter VK7KPC would be happy to hear from any members willing to lend a hand in
setting up on the Saturday and assisting on the Sunday.

So please don't be shy.

SCOUTMASTER ARTHUR ANDERSON, W9WPH, STABBED TO DEATH ON HIKING TRIP

Arthur Anderson, W9WPH, of Kokomo, Indiana, 76, bled to death after
being stabbed in what authorities are calling "a senseless act." On
Sunday, August 21, Anderson -- together with another man -- was leading
two Boy Scouts, ages 11 and 12, on a required five mile nature hike on
the Nickel Plate Trail in Bunker Hill, 60 miles north of Indianapolis.
According to Indiana State Police Sergeant Tony Slocum, the group had
stopped on the trail to discuss a tree when Anderson was attacked from
behind. Anderson, a scouting volunteer for 50 years, was an Assistant
Scoutmaster of a troop based at Redeemer Lutheran Church in Kokomo.

Read more here

arrl.org/news/scoutmaster-arthur-anderson-w9wph-stabbed-to-death-on-hiking-trip

(ARRL this in wia text version only)

LOW DOWN IN THE NEWS

IARU REGION 1 IN SUN CITY

It was agreed at the recently held IARU Conference in South Africa that IARU,
at further ITU World Radio Conferences, should seek to expand the
international amateur radio 160 metre band from its present lower end of
1 810 kHz to 1 800 kHz in ITU Region 1.

IARU should also try to obtain an international secondary allocation for
amateur radio between 1 850 and 2 000 kHz.

SOCIAL SCENE

2011

Aug 28 VK2 Blue Mountains amateur radio club's annual WINTERFEST
andrewvaughan230@gmail.com

Sep 10 VK4 Sunshine Coast Hamfest SUNFEST at Woombye School of Arts 9am.

Sep 11 VK3 SADARC Comms Day at St Augustine's Hall Shepparton 10am.

Sep 16-18 VK4 NQ Amateur Radio Convention Date Set Townsville

Sep 23-28 R3 Region 3 ARDF Championship Bendigo VK3
http://r3.ardf.org.au/

Sep 30-Oct 2 VK4 Central Highlands Amateur Radio Club AGM at Camp Fairbairn
CONTACT Secretary Gordon, (vk4kal@wia.org.au)

Oct 23 VK3 Hamvention Ballarat Sunday.

Nov 20 vk5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society Hamfest
Goodwood Community Centre, Rosa St Goodwood at 0930.
Visit www.ahars.com.au for contact details

2012

15TH IARU REGION 3 CONFERENCE hosted by V.A.R.C. in Ho-Chi-Minh City, Vietnam.

JAN 23-FEB 17 YEAR 2012
World Radio Conference WRC-11 Geneva 23rd January TO 17th February 2012

FEB 12 VK3 CentreVictoria Hamfest, Kyneton Racecourse

FEB 26 VK2 CCARC WYONG FIELD DAY

MAY 3-18 VK5 YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

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to submit audio read "how to submit items" in the weekly news page on
wia.org.au

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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From: Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk
Message-ID: <20110826150005.5105233C87@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4241
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 28th August 2011

The news headlines:

* RSGB SSB Field Day preparations

* 23rd IARU Region 1 Conference details announced

* Region 1 amateurs asked to be aware of emergency traffic

The first contest in September is a big and popular one, namely RSGB SSB Field Day. SSB Field Day was very much introduced to be a club event and can form a great introduction to SSB contesting for your club's newcomers, or an opportunity for some of the operators who have slogged away on 80m during the club championships to make some DX contacts on the HF bands. Because HF and LF contesting is quite different in terms of the openings that you can experience, SSB Field Day is a super way to introduce people to the fun of HF Contest operating. With Open and Restricted sections, it runs for 24 hours next weekend, 3 and 4 September. If you want to give some points away from home, it's a quick-fire exchange of signal report and serial number. Participants will find it useful to have a suitable number ready to give Asian stations that are taking part in the All Asian DX Contest. The Asians will be looking for your age, rather than a serial number, YL ops may give `00'.

During the 22nd General Conference of IARU Region 1, held last week in South Africa, a new Executive Committee was elected to serve for the next three years. The committee includes RSGB past President Colin Thomas, G3PSM. Also announced at the conference were details of the 23rd General Conference of IARU Region 1. It will be hosted by the Bulgarian Federation of Radio Amateurs in Varna on the Black Sea in September 2014.

The activation of the American Hurricane Watch Net on 22 August in response to Hurricane Irene is a reminder that amateur radio continues to play a part in gathering and distributing information for the weather and emergency services each year. Radio amateurs in Region 1 are reminded that certain frequencies may be in use by nets in North and Central America to track and deal with the consequences of these severe weather events. It is possible for Region 1 amateurs to cause unintentional QRM to these nets so please listen carefully if operating near 14.300MHz, 14.325MHz and 14.265MHz. Frequencies used in Cuba are 3.740, 7.045, 7.080 and 7.110MHz. Frequencies used in Central America

are 3.690, 3.750, 7.060, 7.075, 7.090 and 7.098MHz. Local emergency communications groups may also activate if a hurricane approaches their area and those frequencies would be announced at the time.

In August, Mario Lorenz, DL5MLO, from AMSAT-DL gave a presentation on amateur radio space communications as part of the Hacker Space Program track at the Chaos Communication Camp 2011. The 5 day event, held near Berlin, Germany, attracted hackers and makers from across Europe. Building amateur radio satellites has always been challenging and involves using technology in creative ways, so has great appeal to the hacker community. Mario's talk was entitled, From OSCAR 1 to Mars and beyond - Amateur Space Exploration The last 50 years, Now, and the Future. An hour long video of the talk, in English, is now available on the web at http://tinyurl.com/ChaosCommsAMSAT. Six News, the quarterly magazine from the United Kingdom Six Metre Group is now available in three electronic formats. It has been available in pdf format for several years but now each issue is also published in both epub and mobi format, which are compatible with mobile devices including Kindle. The hard copy magazine is still posted to members but a new Internet Only discounted membership with access to download Six News in all file formats is available at 10 per annum. Six News contains a plethora of information for anyone interested in 50MHz with articles on antenna design, propagation, equipment, operating, DXpeditions, data modes, EME and detailed band reports. Details are on the internet at http://uksmg.org.

The Dutch National Amateur Radio Society headquarters station PI4AA is now a part of that nation's RTVS Media broadcasting. The amateur radio report airs every last Tuesday of the month from 8 to 9pm local Netherlands time. The broadcast area is south-east and east area of Holland on terrestrial stations 105.3 and 107.8MHz FM. Listeners outside of The Netherlands can tune in on the web at tinyurl.com/dutch-hamcast.

Castles And Stately Homes On The Air will be holding a UK and Ireland Heritage event during the month of September 2011 to coincide with the European Heritage Month. This is an opportunity to access locations which may previously have been inaccessible or closed to the public. For more information on regional dates and opening go to www.cashota.co.uk. The dates have been set for Castles And Stately Homes On The Air annual Castles weekend in 2012. The event will be held over 2 weekends on 18-19 May and 25-26 May. The organisers would like to invite both last year's participants and any new activators to apply to be an award station. More details can be found at www.cashota.co.uk, or by contacting Chris, M0DOL on 0772 058 0968.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

Milton Keynes ARS Rally takes place today, 28 August, at Bletchley Park, Sherwood Drive, Bletchley, Milton Keynes MK3 6EB. There will be trade stands, special interest groups and GB2BP will be on the air. Why

not make this a family day and visit the Bletchley Park museum too? More details can be seen at www.mkars.org.uk.

On bank holiday Monday, 29 August, Huntingdonshire ARS Rally takes place at St Neots Community College, Barford Rd, St Neots PE19 2SH. Doors open at 10am and admission is £2. There will be trade stands, a car boot sale, a Bring & Buy and RSGB bookstall. Contact Clive Burchell, G3NKQ on 01480 810473 for more information.

Next Sunday, 4 September, the Telford Hamfest is taking place at the Enginuity Museum, Coalbrookdale, Telford, TF8 7DU. Doors will open at 10.30am and the usual traders will be present. The organisers have a large number of radio valves for sale. The Bring & Buy will be operating as usual. This year the lecturer will be Roger G4ROJ, with his fascinating talk and demonstration of kites and balloons used as antenna supports. There are two sessions, 11am & 1pm. There is limited seating so be early. The organisers recommend that, if you come to the Hamfest from the North, East or West, use the M54 and leave it at Junction 6. Enginuity is just 7 minutes from there. From the South, via Much Wenlock, take the Telford road. Turn off right for Ironbridge and then left up the hill to Coalbrookdale.

Now for the news of special events Due to an administrative error, the table of special event stations in the September RadCom contains details for August. A corrected version is on the RadCom Plus website at www.rsgb.org/radcomplus. The editorial team apologises for this error.

On the Isle of Wight, Brickfields Amateur Radio Society will be operating GB4AC at Wolverton Manor, helping to support the charity Age Concern on Saturday 3 September and Sunday 4 September. Contact with GB4AC gives a point for CASHOTA G155, The Isle of Wight County Award, IOTA EU120 and WAB square SZ48.

On 3 and 4 September, the Radio club of Binche will activate the special event station ON4WAR to commemorate the Belgian Resistance during WWII. Operation will be from 9am to 6pm local time on Saturday 3 September and from 8am to 4pm on the Sunday. QSL via ON7RY, either direct or via the bureau. More details are available at www.on7ry.be.

Throughout September, Preston ARS will put GB4BOB Battle of Britain on the air operating from the club shack. Then, on 3 September, GB0PH will be on the air for Pontefract Heritage, operating from Pontefract Castle. On 4 September GB4CON will be on the air from the Festival @ The Farm at Farmer Copleys, Ravensknowle Farm. This is a fun day with many attractions.

And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

The 4W6A Timor-Leste DXpedition is now less than one month away. Top Band operators will be pleased to hear that the team now has a Titanex V160E vertical antenna for use on 160m that is 87ft, or 26.5m high. Listen out for 4W6A from 16 to 26 September.

OK1XD will be active from Lichtenstein portable HB0 between 1 and 10 September. Operation will be holiday style on 10m through to 80m using mainly RTTY and PSK31, with some SSB and CW. QSL via his home callsign, either direct or via the bureau.

I2KRR is a volunteer technical support person to the Catholic mission in Vanimo and will be active as P29FR in Papua New Guinea until March of 2012. He operates on 40, 20 and 15m SSB with his time on the air limited to the local evenings, plus Saturday and Sunday afternoons. QSL without any IRCs to I2RFJ, either direct or by the Bureau.

George, K3GV, will be active as K3GV/VY2 from Prince Edward Island between 1 and 30 September. Activity will be mainly on 20 and 15m. QSL via his home callsign.

Now the contest news

The IRTS 2m Counties Contest takes place today, 28 August, from 1300 to 1500 using both FM and SSB. For stations outside EI/GI, work EIs and GIs only, giving them a signal report and serial number. In return you can expect to receive a signal report, serial number and County. There are awards for the highest entrant from outside EI in each section. This often results in them going to GI, but not always indeed, some sections often have no entries from outside EI. For a list of the 32 Irish counties, see EI8IC's website at www.mapability.com/ei8ic/contest/eicounty.php.

On 3 September the Bulgarian LZ Open Club has organised a Simulated Emergency Situation Contest. The aim is to improve the ability of the amateur radio operators to act independently in case of distress or natural disasters. The contest simulates what happens when the conventional communications and power mains are broken and there is an immediate need of exchange of information between the place of the disaster and the outside world. The rules are published on http://lzopen.com/lzopenfield20/index.htm. Everybody is invited to participate.

Next weekend, 3 and 4 September, the RSGB SSB Field Day takes place from 1300 to 1300UTC. Operation is on all bands from 3.5 to 28MHz; the exchange is signal report and serial number.

The 144MHz trophy also runs for 24 hours over the weekend 3 and 4 September, from 1400 to 1400UTC. There are five sections to choose between, depending on how much time you can devote, whether you're at home or away, and single- or multi-op. The last three hours of the 144MHz Trophy coincides with the first three hours of the fifth and final 144MHz Backpackers' Contest, which continues for one hour afterwards. In the Backpackers' there are 10 watt `Hilltopper' and 3 watt `Backpacker' sections. Those who operate from or use power from a vehicle, can only enter the Hilltopper section. For those unfamiliar with backpacker contesting, there are antenna and height restrictions in both sections.

And now the solar factual data for the period from the 15th to the 21st of August, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on the 22nd August.

First this week the latest smoothed monthly sunspot numbers which are for November, December 2010 and January 2011. These are 26.5, 28.8 and 31.0 respectively.

After the spotless day on the 14th, sunspot groups started to appear the following day and again on the 16th. Both these regions produced low strength C class solar flares. On the 20th a further group appeared, this was the return of old region 1260 which produced one M class solar flare on its last rotation. So far this group has remained small and quiet. Solar flux levels increased steadily from 90 units on the 15th to 101 by the 20th and 21st. The average was 97 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 21st was 96, that's the same level as last week. X-ray flux levels varied little day to day and averaged B2.1 units. On the 15th, geomagnetic activity was slightly unsettled due to a recurring coronal hole. The remaining days were quiet and the average was Ap 6 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds decline from 650 kilometres per second on the 16th to 320 by the 20th and 21st. Particle densities were low every day. Bz varied between minus 7 and plus 6 nanoTeslas on the 15th, which was the most disturbed day, and between minus 3 and plus 4 nanoTeslas on the quietest day. The 19th saw some good Sporadic-E with an opening to the UK on 144MHz.

And now the solar forecast. A lot will depend this week on how active the returning sunspot groups are. Solar activity could be at moderate levels on some days but only very low to low if the sunspot groups are quiet. Likewise, solar flux levels could be as high as 120 units or as low as around the 100 mark with a quiet Sun. Either way a slight decline should take place towards next weekend. As always, almost anyway, geomagnetic activity is much easier to forecast. The coming week is expected to see a modest rise in activity towards next weekend as a recurring coronal hole takes effect. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 22MHz for the south and 19MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be about 11MHz. Paths this week to India should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50% success rate of around 23MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90% success rate will be about 18MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 1200 and 1700UTC. Sporadic-E is still possible on some days, but as every year the end of August signals the end of the summer sporadic-E season. Occasional openings can still take place on the odd days up to the end of October but no more forecasts will be made in this report. Remember though, there is a short but reliable winter season that takes place around the Christmas and New Year period.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your

transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS On Monday 29 August Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is on the air from Crickley Hill Country Park. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Monday 29 August South Birmingham Radio Society is closed. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Tuesday 30 August Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 30 August Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is looking at log book entries for July & August. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Wednesday 31 August Lincoln Short-Wave Club is having a DVD Night. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Wednesday 31 August Midland Amateur Radio Society is planning its rally and field day activities. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 01214 229 787.

On Wednesday 31 August Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is making final plans for Hamfest. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday 1 September Salop Amateur Radio Society is holding a table top sale. Details on the club website at www.salop-ars.org.uk.

On Thursday 1 September South Birmingham Radio Society is having training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Friday 2 September Coventry Amateur Radio Society is having part 2 of the talk on military radio by Ivan Thomas, M0IRT. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

On Friday 2 September Hucknall Rolls Royce Amateur Radio Club is holding its final fox hunt of the season, starting at 19.15GMT from the club car park at Hucknall. More information from Dave Wilde, G1YAI, on 08444 355 593.

On Friday 2 September Lincoln Short-Wave Club is setting up for SSB National Field Day. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356. On Friday 2 September South Birmingham Radio Society is loading the trailer for the Telford Hamfest. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Saturday 3 September Lincoln Short-Wave Club commences its weekend event for SSB National Field Day. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Saturday 3 September Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society commences its weekend event for SSB National Field Day. For more information contact Peter D Rivers, G4XEX, on 01858 432 105.

On Sunday 4 September Midland Amateur Radio Society is visiting the Telford Hamfest. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 01214 229 787.

On Sunday 4 September South Birmingham Radio Society is running its club stand at Telford Hamfest. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Sunday 4 September Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is running the Telford Hamfest. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Sunday 4 September Worcester RAA is visiting the Telford Hamfest. Details from Rich Moles, M0UVA, via email to secretary@m0zoo.co.uk.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND On Monday 29 August Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is closed. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Monday 29 August Sheffield Amateur Radio Club has its club rooms open as usual. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 29 August Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is closed. Details on the web at www.tcars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 30 August Chester & District Amateur Radio Society is closed. Details from Barbara Green on 07957 870 770.

On Tuesday 30 August Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is at Mytholmroyd. Contact Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341 317.

On Wednesday 31 August Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is preparing for Field Day. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Thursday 1 September Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is preparing for SSB Field Day. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 07876 085 631.

On Thursday 1 September South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having a talk on bubble chambers by Ged, G8RSI. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Thursday 1 September Wakefield & District Radio Society is holding a fox hunt. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563 117. On Friday 2 September East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is having a bring in something interesting evening.. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Friday 2 September Tynemouth Amateur Radio Club is having a briefing for RSGB SSB Field Day. Contact Bob, M6KLO, by email to mail@g0nwm.com.

On Saturday 3 September Hornsea Amateur Radio Club commences its weekend event for SSB Field Day. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Saturday 3 September Sheffield Amateur Radio Club starts its SSB Field Day weekend event. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Saturday 3 September Tynemouth Amateur Radio Club is taking part in RSGB SSB Field Day. Contact Bob, M6KLO, by email to mail@g0nwm.com.

On Saturday 3 September Wakefield & District Radio Society continues its Advanced course. Details from David, G4CLI, on 07748 221 855.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND On Saturday 3 September Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club commences its weekend event at the NI International Airshow in Portrush. The club and its members will be promoting amateur radio to members of the public attending the show, with information leaflets and radio equipment on display. For more information send an email to cqmuarc@gmail.com.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday 30 August Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club evening. Details from Norman, on 07740 946 192.

On Thursday 1 September Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is holding a junk sale. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663.

On Friday 2 September Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club is having a normal club night. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723.

On Saturday 3 September Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society commences its weekend event for SSB Field Day. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA We start with some sad news. We understand that former GB2RS newsreader Mike Thatcher, G0AVY, passed away on Sunday 21 August. Our condolences to his family and friends.

On Sunday 28 August Bedford and District Amateur Radio Club is exhibiting at the MKARS annual rally & boot sale. Details from Bob Leask, G3XNG, by email to g4ceo@talk21.com.

On Sunday 28 August Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is spending the afternoon operating CW as GB100MWT from the Marconi Hut, Sandford Mill. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Sunday 28 and Monday 29 August Coalhouse Fort Amateur Radio Society is holding open days. Contact John Parker, M1DUC, by email to coalhouserad1o@yahoo.com.

On Tuesday 30 August Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Tuesday 30 August Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is having a club net night. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Wednesday 31 August Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air & having CW practice. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442

831 491.

On Wednesday 31 August Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is having an informal, construction, shack and Bright Sparks evening. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Wednesday 31 August Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is purring GX3WOR on the air and making final plans for SSB Field Day. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816 684.

On Thursday 1 September Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society starts its Foundation course at Danbury Village Hall. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Thursday 1 September Cray Valley Radio Society is having a presentation by Richard, G8ITB on building some of the equipment needed for the shack including homebrew and kits. Details from Bob, M0MCV, on 02082 657 735 after 8pm.

On Thursday 1 September Horndean & District Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night and social evening. Contact Stuart, G0FYX, on 02392 472 846.

On Thursday 1 September Horsham Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by Tony Crake on RF transmitters and other experiences. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk.

On Thursday 1 September Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a club night at the shack. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564 242.

On Thursday 1 September Verulam Amateur Radio Club is having a social evening with the GB3VH repeater group from 7.30pm at the Queens Head, Sandridge. Details from Tony, 2EOWAP, on 01727 853 087.

On Friday 2 September Crystal Palace Radio and Electronics Club is having a talk on junk box aerials by Martin Butler, M1MRB. Contact Bob, G3OOU, on 01737 552 170. On Friday 2 September Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a radio night and table top sale. Contact Peter, G4AKG, on 01444 239 371.

On Friday 2 September Wey Valley Amateur Radio Group is having a talk by Andy Talbot, G4JNT. Details on the web at www.weyvalleyarg.org.uk.

On Saturday 3 September Bittern DX Group commences its weekend event for SSB Field Day. Details from Linda, G0AJJ, on 01692 404 154.

On Saturday 3 September Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Saturday 3 September Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society is having its autumn get- together at Aylmers Farm, Old Harlow. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 02085 021 645.

On Saturday 3 September Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a club night at the shack for SSB Field Day. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564 242.

On Saturday 3 September Newbury & District Amateur Radio Society is taking part in SSB Field Day. For more information contact Rob, G3LMW, on 01635 862 737.

On Saturday 3 September Norfolk Amateur Radio Club commences its weekend event for Norfolk Gala Day. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Sunday 4 September Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is having a breakfast meeting at the SSB Field Day Site. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816 684.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST Plymouth Training Team will be starting an Intermediate training course on Monday 5 September at the Cherry Tree, Ham Drive Plymouth, PL2 3NT. The course will be from 7 until 9pm and will last for ten Mondays. The exam is planned for Monday 7th November, but may be varied to suit candidates or availability of the exam centre. For more information contact Bob Griffiths on 01752 343 177 or via g7nhb@hotmail.co.uk.

On Tuesday 30 August Blackmoor Vale Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. Contact Tony, G0GFL, on 01258 860 741.

On Tuesday 30 August Poldhu Amateur Radio Club is having a club meeting at the Marconi Centre, Poldhu. Contact Liz Usher, M6ZKC, on 01326 221 545.

On Tuesday 30 August West Devon Radio Club is having a talk on simple fault finding by Jules Cuddy, M1AGY. Further information from Jules Cuddy, M1AGY, on 01752 291 588.

On Wednesday 31 August Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048. On Thursday 1 September Cornish Radio Amateur Club is having a club meeting. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844 939.

On Thursday 1 September Poldhu Amateur Radio Club is having a club meeting at the Marconi Centre, Poldhu. Contact Liz Usher, M6ZKC, on 01326 221 545.

On Thursday 1 September South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is having a demonstration of PSK. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

On Thursday 1 September Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is preparing for the HF SSB Contest and having an activity night. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Thursday 1 September Yeovil Amateur Radio Club is looking at portable solutions for HF, 6m & 4m. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk.

On Friday 2 September North Bristol Amateur Radio Club is having a construction evening. More information from Dick on 01454 218 362.

On Friday 2 September Saltash & District Amateur Radio Club is comparing the performance of HF wire aerials. Contact Brian, M0BHG, on 01752 844 321.

On Friday 2 September Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

On Saturday 3 September South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is departing for GB2BLE. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

On Saturday 3 September Taunton & District Amateur Radio Club commences its weekend event participating in RSGB SSB NFD. Contact William, G3WNI, on 01823 666 234 for more information.

NEWS FOR WALES On Saturday 3 September Aberystwyth & District Amateur Radio Society is discussing the Across Wales Walk. Details from Ray, GW7AGG, on 01970 611 853.

802. NEW UPDATES

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-27 10:07:23 UTC
From: SAMARA <jaidatta9247@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <4a854f69-696a-47ec-abe8-986b2a5435d5@a10g2000prn.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4242

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http://goodjobssites.blogspot.com

PRIYANKA CHOPRA HOT STILLS
http://allyouwants.blogspot.com/2011/08/priyanka-chopra.html
FOR HOT PHOTO&VIDEOS
HOT SOUTH ACTRESS IN DIFFERENT DRESSES
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/08/south-actress.html
SAMEERA REDDY HOT PICS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/sameera-reddy.html
HOT ACTRESS WET ROMANTIC PHOTOS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/actress-hot-wet-photos.html
TRISHA HOT BATHROOM PHOTOS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/trisha-hot.html
ANUSHKA SHETTY HOT PHOTOS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/anushka-hot.html
KATRINA KAIF RARE PHOTOS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/07/katrina-kaif-wallpapers.html
KAJAL LATEST ROMANTIC STILLS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/07/kajal-agarwal-in-naperu-shiva.html
TAMANNA HOT SEXY PHOTOS & VIDEOS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/07/tamanna-wallpapers.html
PRANITHA LATEST BEAUTIFUL PHOTOS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/06/about-pranitha-praneetha-is-beautiful.html

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TOP 20 HOT ACTRESS PHOTOS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/hot-actrsess.html
KAJAL AGARWAL LATEST HOT
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ARTHI CHABRIA HOT PHOTOS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/aarti-chabria-hot.html
DIYA MIRZA HOT PHOTOS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/diya-mirza-hot.html
KATRINA KAIF HOT PHOTOS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/katrina-kaif-hot.html
DEEPIKA PADUKONE HOT PHOTOS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/deepika-padukone-hot.html
NAMITHA HOT PHOTOS

http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/namitha-hot-photos.html

803. Re: NEW UPDATES

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-27 19:09:07 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <f4c4a917-cf0f-4f78-9947-80def57bcc50@a31g2000vbt.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4243

On Aug 27, 6:07 am, SAMARA <jaidatta9

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804. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-28 00:42:45 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <63c76a3d-e081-4c8c-81d0-a80bb8e03f95@a12g2000yqi.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4244

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On Aug 27, 3:09 pm, kb9rqz <m...@kb9rqz.com> wrote:
> On Aug 27, 6:07 am, SAMARA <jaidatta9
>
> can the spam
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805. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 28th August 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-28 20:00:10 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20110828200002.E863E33C8E@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4245
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 28th August 2011

Two Metres Counties Contest

Today Sunday 28th August a final reminder that this contest takes place this afternoon from 2.00 pm to 4.00 pm local time. This is a great opportunity to meet up with old friends on 2 metres. Expect to hear some portable stations, especially if the WX is favourable!

Both SSB and FM can be used and a station may be worked on both modes. The 32 counties in EI and GI are multipliers, so the rarer counties will be in great demand. The closing date for the submission of the log to the contest manager is 27th September 2011.

Limerick Radio Club

Members from Limerick Radio Club will be operating a special event station today from the Atlantic Airventure site in Shannon, Co. Clare using the callsign EI0A on all bands using SSB & CW. This is the second year that the club have participated in the event. QSL via EI4GXB.

Tipperary Amateur Radio Group

The next meeting of the Tipperary Amateur Radio Group will take place in Raheen House Hotel, Raheen Road,Clonmel on Thursday next the 1st of September at 8.30 pm ,All are welcome

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North Cork Radio Group

The North Cork Radio Group is pleased to announce their second annual rally and electronics fair at the Blarney Golf Resort, Tower, Co Cork. on Sunday September the 11th 2011.

The doors open to the public at 11.30 and the rally will run throughout the afternoon. The usual traders will be on hand with some very tasty bargains, South East Communications, Long Communications and JBT Trading.

The Hotel are also offering room deals for the rally a Room Only from 59 and Double Room inc B&B: 79 Please Contact the hotel directly for room bookings on Tel: +353 21 4384477.www.blarneygolfresort.com

Small traders are very welcome but it essential that they contact the events organiser Liam EI7GTB, Tel: 086-3357100 Email:ei7gtb/ at /gmail/ dot/com as soon as possible.

Further details can be found via the group's website, www.ei1nc.com.com

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Shannon Basin Radio Club

Once again the Shannon Basin Radio Club will be hosting the SSB field day on the weekend of 3rd and 4th September 2011. The grounds of Garbally College in Ballinasloe in Co. Galway have again been made available to any clubs or individual operators who wish to take part in the event. The club will also be hosting its very popular barbeque which is one of the highlights of the weekend. Anybody wishing to receive more information may contact Brian ei8iu by email "brianei8iu/ at / eircom dot /net or any club member.

South Dublin Radio Club

South Dublin Radio club have returned to weekly meetings after the usual short break. Meetings are again taking place in the Ballyoran community centre Tuesdays at 8pm. All welcome

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NASA Moon Mission in Final Preparations for September Launch

NASA's Gravity Recovery And Interior Laboratory (GRAIL) mission to study the moon is in final launch preparations for a scheduled Sept. 8 launch from Cape Canaveral Air Force Station in Florida.

GRAIL's twin spacecraft are tasked for a nine-month mission to explore Earth's nearest neighbor in unprecedented detail. They will determine the structure of the lunar interior from crust to core and advance our understanding of the thermal evolution of the moon.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

806. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1025

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-28 22:23:44 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <138211.94375.qm@smtp107.sbc.mail.ne1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 4246
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1025
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BID: $OPDX.1025
August 29, 2011
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, K1XN & GoList, NJ1Q & ARRL DX, WA2HMM, NG3K & ADXO, N4AA & QRZ DX, N4JF, KH6BZF, N6NO, K8GI, K8YSE, W8AEF, W8GEX (60m News), AT International, DL1SBF, DG8KAD & The DX News Letter, DxCoffee.com, DX-World.Net, F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX, G0IAS, HA0HW, HA5AO, I1JQJ/IK1ADH & 425 DX News, IK7JWY, OZ6OM & 50 MHz DX News, Pete's-DX-Newsdesk, RSGB IOTA Web Site, VA3RJ & ICPO and VHF-DX-Portal (MMMonVHF) for the following DX information.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 21st-August, through Sunday, 28th-August there were 219 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4W, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A3, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J6, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH8, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T2, T32, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VP8, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD9, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

7Q, MALAWI. QSL Manager Allan, G0IAS, informs OPDX that he dropped Harry, 7Q7HB (G0JMU), at the airport on August 23rd, for another trip to 7Q-land this past week. Length of stay will be about 3 months at Club Makokola. Activity will probably be on 20/17/15 meters using the Digital modes and CW. QSL as usual is "ONLY DIRECT" to G0IAS with sufficient funds for return

cards. NO BUREAU cards. NO eQSLs. Just old fashioned paper cards DIRECT! Allan states, "SORRY NO RETURN POSTAGE = NO CARD." G0IAS also handles the cards for Malcolm, 7Q7MH (Allan states, "ALL that I have received have now been returned."). Allan also mentions that 1 USD is no longer enough postage for return, even into EUROPE. NOR are envelopes with local currency on them, he has half a dozen with Spanish and German stamps... the ROYAL MAIL will NOT accept them.

9H, MALTA. Raul, IC8ATA, will be active as 9H3AT from Malta (EU-023) between August 29th and September 5th. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands, SSB only and a focus on 17/12 meters. Suggested frequencies are: 7060, 14160, 18140, 21160, 24940 and 28460. He will use a FT-450D into a Multi-Band Fishing Rod antenna. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. For more details, see: http://www.mdxc.org/9h3at

9M6, EAST MALAYSIA. Hideto, JF2QNM, will be active as 9M6/JF2QNM during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via JF2QNM.

CJ3, CANADA (Special Event). Look for CJ3A to be active during the entire month of October 2011. Activity is to celebrate the Centennial of Parks in Canada (1911-2011). Operations will be on all HF bands. QSL via VE3LA. For more details about the celebration, visit the "Parks Canada" Web page at: http://www.pc.gc.ca/PROGS/CELEBRATIONS/INDEX.ASPX

DR16, GERMANY (Special Event). Station event station DR16BENE has been active since July 1st, and will continue through October 31st. Activity is to celebrate the visit of Pope Benedict XVI to Freiburg at the end of September. Operations have been from the club station DK0FR on 80/40/30/20/15/12/10 meters using SSB and PSK31. QSL via DL7BC.

EX20, KYRGYZSTAN (Special Event). Special event station, EX20ID, is now active until September 4th. Activity is to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the Independent Republic of Kyrgyzstan. Members of the "Amateur Radio Union of Kyrgyzstan" have established a "Kyrgyzstan Award" which can be obtained by any licensed ham or SWL around the World. Complete details are available at: http://www.qrz.com/db/EX20ID

H40, TEMOTU PROVINCE. Jacek, SP5DRH, will once again try to activate Pigeon Island (OC-065), Reef Islands, in the Temotu Province between October 8-21st. Operation last year had to be cancelled due to "dramatic plane delay" that destroyed Jacek/SP5DRH and Jerzy/SP3BQ plans. Jacek's main target will be Europe on 160m, some 80m is planned to. Operations will be mainly CW, and RTTY on 15/17 meters. QSL via SP7DQR ONLY. For more details and updates, watch: http://www.sp5drh.com/h40

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-066. Gennady, R3BY, is expected to be active as R3BY/0 from Antipenko Island between August 28th and September 4th. Activity will be on 80-17 meters using mostly CW. QSL via his home callsign.

EU-110. Italian operators Ampelio/IK3JBP, Calogero/IW3ILP, Silverio/IK3IUL and Giacomo/IZ3DBA will be active as 9A/homecall from

Porer Island between October 14-16th. Activity will be on
80-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via the operator's home
callsign.

NA-041. Rick, K6VVA, will be active as K6VVA/KL7 from Revillagigedo
Island (not the Mexican XF4) between September 6-8th. This is
his third trip to NA-041. Activity will be mainly CW on the
30/20/17 meter bands and a focus on the EU and JA stations.
QSL via N6AWD, direct or by the Bureau. DO NOT send QSLs to
K6VVA. For more details and updates, watch the following Web
pages: http://www.k6vva.com/iota/na041
http://twitter.com/#!/k6vva

NA-137. Wayne, K9YNF, will be active as K9YNF/1 from Peaks Island in
the Maine State West IOTA Group between September 25-30th. This
will be Wayne's 4th IOTA DXpedition. Activity will be on 14260
and 18128 kHz SSB (+/- QRM) and 14070.15 kHz PSK31. He plans
to use a Elecraft K3/100 and a TransWorld vertical dipole. QSL
via K9YNF. Skeds can be made via <wayne@longshortstories.com>.

OC-185. Craig, VK4LDX/VK8PDX, will be on another IOTA DXpedition next
year this time from Bremer Islets as VK8PDX/p between April
18-23rd (2012). He will use his Spiderbeam tri-bander (for
20/15/10m) on a 10m Spiderbeam mast. Modes will probably be
on SSB, PSK31 and RTTY (he doesn't do CW). QSL via his home
callsign, direct or by the Bureau. He does not use eQSL or
LoTW. For updates, watch his Blog Web page at:
http://oc185.blogspot.com

JW, SVALBARD (Update). Morten, LA9DFA, will be active as JW9DFA from
Spitsbergen (EU-026) between September 14-19th. This is his third trip
to the Arctic islands (1993, 2006). Activity will be on the HF bands and
possibly 6 meters using mainly CW with some SSB and RTTY. He also plans
to be active during the Scandinavian Activity CW Contest (September
17-18th) as JW3C. QSL both callsigns via LA9DFA, direct, by the Bureau
or LoTW.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (August 29-September 4th)....
Aug 29 AN SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS
Aug 30 AN --------------------
Aug 31 AN BN - Below Normal
Sep 01 AN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Sep 02 AN-HN LN - Low Normal
Sep 03 HN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Sep 04 HN DIS - Disturbed
VDIS - Very Disturbed

GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between

7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

N1, UNITED STATED (Special Event). Members of the Symbol Technologies ARC will be honoring the lives lost during the horrific events of September 11th, 2001, with activating special event station N1Y between 1400z (10:00 am local time) Saturday, September 10th, and 0400z (11:00 am local time) Sunday, September 11th. Suggested frequencies are: 3911, 7240, 14070 and 50135 kHz, as well as D-Star REF10C. QSL direct to: STARC, One Motorola Plaza, B-13, Holtsville, NY 11742 (with a #10 SASE). PLEASE NOTE: There will be a reading of one name of the fallen with every QSO.

OJ, MARKET REEF (Op cancelled!). Operators Hans/PA0VHA, Steef/PA2A, Jack/PA3BAG, Will/PA3ALK and Wim/PA2AM, who were expected to be active as OJ0CC from Market Reef (EU-053) between August 27th and September 2nd, had to cancel their activity due to accident. Reports indicate that Will, PA3ALK, has broken his leg (something about a sheep attacked him).

OX, GREENLAND. Operators Jiri/OK1IEC, Jan/OK1JK, Jiri/OK1JST and Vaclav/OK1VVT plan to be active as OX4OK and possibly OX/homecall from the OX2A club station at the Kangelussuaq Airport between September 16-26th. Activity will be on all bands, 80-10 meters, depending on propagation, and 2m EME (JT65b). QSL via their home callsigns or via OK1JST.

P4, ARUBA. John, KK9A, will once again be active as P40A starting October 25th, through the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th). In the contest, he will be a Single-Op/All-Band entry. Outside of the contest, activity will be on all bands using CW and SSB. QSL via WD9DZV.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated August 28th)

5T0JL via ON8RA EN20C via UX7CQ JW/DF3TS via DF3TS
9A/SP5ELW via SP5ELW EN20UO via UX5UO KH2/WM1D via BU2AV
9A20V via 9A6DR EN20UZ via UR5UZ NN1X via JG3JLC
CB2T via CE2RTF EN20W via UR5WA OG5N via OH1CQ
CT8/DL1CW via DL1CW EO20IGN via US7IGN OX/OZ4UN via OZ4UN
CT9/RW9JZ via RW9JZ EO20IO via UX3IO P29FR via I2RFJ
EA8/EI6DX/P via RX3RC only EO20K via UR4KWA P29ZL via W1YRC
EF1HLW via EA1HLW EO20M via UX7MA PA30LOU via PA0LOU
EF2TW via EA2TW EO20UD via UR7UD PI65ALK via PI4ALK
EF4RCH via EA4RCH EO20UM via UT0UM PJ2/DL1THM via DL1THM
EF7CIN via EB7CIN EO20UR via UT7UR PJ2A via N5UCF
EF7JB via EA7JB EO20UU via UT7UU R10RTRS/9 via R7AA
EF7TV via EA7TV ER20MD via ER1FF SO1EKO/P via DL1EKO
EF8AKN via EA8AKN FP/VE2XB via VE2XB SV0GU via DL4SV
EG5DM via EA5DM FP5BZ via F5TJP TI4CF via W3HNK
EG5FL via EA5FL FS/W6IZT via N7XG TM2GRF via F8BUO
EG5KB via EA5KB HB9/OZ0UL via OZ0UL TM7FDM via F5MSS
EM0BSCC via UU0JM HG7T via HA7TM TX8DD via LZ1JZ
EM5UCC via UT7UJ HG8SDS via HA8PH UK8IWA via RW6HS (direct)

EM20UKR via UR7UC JA1NLX/VK4 via JA1NLX UN9GD via DL8KAC
EM20V via UR2VA JW/DC8TM via DC8TM ZY6Z via PY6HD

JX5O NOW ON LOTW! Stan, SQ8X, announced this past week that the JX5O DXpedition to Jan Mayen Island has been successfully validated at the ARRL DXCC Desk and has received a DXCC credit. He also mentioned that the JX5O log has been uploaded to LoTW. Stan also mentions on the JX5O Web page: "Another update regards a major log check-in/corrections. I have received a couple of dozen inquires and went through all of them and accepted some of them. Please check our latest log update at to see the changes provided at <http://www.clublog.org/charts/?c=JX5O#r>. All changes include corrections to ALL ACCEPTED check-in requests received by August 27, 2011. Some news regarding the JX5O QSL status: The cards are about to be printed in the beginning of September. Once we receive them from the printing shop, shipping starts immediately. Be patient, please."

9M0M QSLS. Paul, W8AEF, informs OPDX that due to John, NA7DB's, poor health, he has assumed QSL Manager duties for the 2001 9M0M DXpedition. All QSL requests received by NA7DB, both direct and via the bureau to this date have been responded to, and the 9M0M log has been uploaded to LoTW.

QSL NH7YJ via JK1HIY direct. Operator was Taka Tumura, JK1HIY, Oahu Island (OC-19). The special suffix in the callsign NH7YJ stands for "Young Japanese".

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 5X1VJ, A92IO, CR6K, EA3GHZ, EA3IN, F5TTI, FK8CP, FM5CD, HH2/PYSB, JI2ZJS, JX5O, S50A, TY1KS, YN2PR and ZS3Z

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 5N7M, 5W0IR, 9L5MS, 9Y4VU, CO8LY, EH8BPX, FP/K9OT, IW5DHN, JD1BMH, JY5HX, LU1ZI, PJ4/N5WR, PP0T, RI1ANC, V85SS, VU2PAI and ZB2FK

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: NONE REPORTED THIS WEEK!

SOUTH PACIFIC TOUR (Update/Change). Operators Pista/HA5AO and George/HA5UK, who planned to activate Fiji, Tuvalu, Western Kiribati and possibly Banaba, between October 1st and November 15th (OPDX.1010), have now reschedule their DXpedition to January/February 2012. This due to difficulties in organizing and making arrangement for the transportation to Banaba. Excerpts from their Web page states they plan to operate from Tuvalu on January 12th, as T2HA. They will fly back to Fiji on January 26th, and do 3 days of operations as 3D2HA, before leaving for Tarawa, on January 31st. Operations from West Kiribati will last until February 23rd. They will attempt to go over to Banaba Island for 7-10 days within this period. The Web page states (edited), "We will do our best to get over to Banaba, but the exact time of T33HA Banaba operation can be announced from Tarawa only. Two stations will be on the air from 160-10 meters bands on CW, SSB, RTTY and some PSK and SSTV modes. The landing permit to Banaba, licenses and flight tickets to Fiji, Tuvalu and Tarawa are in hand. The radios, antennas, PAs and other technical stuff have already

been put together and packed. The weight of these packages exceeds the 100 kg (200 pounds). We will bring everything with us, as excess baggages. This DXpedition is not an expedition with dozens of operators, neither family holiday. It will be a 'simple two men show'. However, our 8 weeks long operating plan, working from 3 different rare countries, makes it very expensive. We will cover the flight tickets, accommodations and other personal expenses. The excess baggage fees and the transfer to Banaba are extremely expensive. Thus we are seeking support from DX Foundations and Organization to help us to cover the extremely high transfer expenses to Banaba and the excess baggage fees. Personal contributions are also welcome." For more details and updates, visit: http://ha5ao.novolab.hu

T8, PALAU. Atsu, JA8FAA, will be active as T88GO from Palau (OC-009) between September 16-19th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign.

T8, PALAU. Ulf, DL5AXX, will be active as T88UE from the Palau Rental Shack (See http://palau.rental-shack.com/english) between September 18-27th. He will also be active as T8XX for CQWW RTTY Contest (September 24-25th). QSL both callsigns via DL5AXX.

TU, IVORY COAST. An Italian team consisting of Alfeo/I1HJT, Silvano/I2YSB, Carlo/IK1AOD, Vinicio/IK2CIO, Angelo/IK2CKR, Marcello/IK2DIA and Stefano/IK2HKT will be active as TU2T from the Ivory Coast sometime between October and November (dates to be confirmed). Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1823, 3505, 7005, 10106, 14025, 18075, 21025, 24895 and 28025 kHz
SSB - 3780, 7056/7180, 14195, 18145, 21295, 24945 and 28495 kHz
RTTY - 10140, 14080, 18104, 21080, 24902 and 2808 kHz
6m - 50105 kHz - CW, SSB and Beacon
Pilot station will be Art, IK7JWY. QSL via I2YSB, direct (2 USDs Europe, 3 USDs outside Europe and SAE [NO IRCs and stamps) or via the OQRS. For more details, visit the TU2T Web page at: http://www.i2ysb.com/joomla5
Also, join the TU2T forum at:
http://www.hamradioweb.org/forums/forumdisplay.php?f=62

TX8, NEW CALEDONIA (Special Event). Look for Alain, FK8GN, to be active as TX8GN during the 16th South Pacific Games between now and September 10th. There may be other stations on the air switching their prefix from FK to TX to commemorate this event.

VK9L, LORD HOWE ISLAND. Merv, N6NO, will be celebrating his 75th birthday and 60th year in ham radio by activating Lord Howe Island (OC-004) as VK9OL between September 10-18th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters with a focus on CW and openings to Europe. QSL via N6NO. His log will be put on LoTW after his return and validation.

VP9, BERMUDA. Les, N1SV, will once again be active as VP9/N1SV from Bermuda (NA-005) between October 28-31st. QSL via his home callsign. With lessons learned from last year, this year during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) he will sign VP9I. QSL via N1HRA.

XU, CAMBODIA. A JA team consisting of Masumi/JA3AVO, Kunio/JA1CJA, Lida/JA3BZO, Nishimura/JA3HJI, Nakasako/JA3UJR and Tatsuo/JA3ARJ will be active from the XU7AAA rental shack between January 12-22nd (2012). More details will be forthcoming.

YJ, VANUATU (Update). A team of 8 amateur radio operators from Australia and the USA will be activating YJ0VK from Port Vila on Efate Island between September 30th and October 12th. Earlier updates indicate that the team will operate with 3 stations on bands from 160-10m, using CW, SSB and RTTY/PSK31. They do not have plans to activate 6m. The YJ0VK team has obtained authorization to operate on 60m. QSL via VK2CA, direct or by the Bureau. LoTW log upload will be available on completion of operation. For updates, visit the YJ0VK Web page at: http://yj0vk.odxg.org/yj0vk2011/default.html

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807. SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 28 AUGUST 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-28 22:32:43 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <20110828223237.6E1A433C8C@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4247
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 and 3,695 MHz SSB.

SILENT KEY

It is with regret that we have to announce that the key of Johan Fritz, ZS6NF, went silent on Wednesday 24 August in the age of 89 years. Our sincerest condolences to his children, grand children and many friends, especially those of the morning chat group on 3 and all the sixes.

(PAUSE)

In the news today:

NEW BREAKTHROUGH IN SUNSPOT PREDICTION

ICASA STILL PROCRASTINATING ON AMATEUR REGULATIONS

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting news items.

NEW BREAKTHROUGH IN SUNSPOT PREDICTION

A PhD student at Stanford University, Stathis Ilonidis, has found a way to detect sunspots before they are visible to the human eye. His findings could lead to significant advances in space weather forecasting.

Sunspots are the "butterfly's wings" of solar storms. Visible to the human eye as dark blemishes on the solar disk, sunspots are the starting points of explosive flares and coronal mass ejections (CMEs) that sometimes hit our planet 150 million kilometers away.

Astronomers have been studying sunspots for more than 400 years, and they have pieced together their basic characteristics: Sunspots are planet-sized islands of magnetism that float in solar plasma. Although

the details are still debated, researchers generally agree that sunspots are born deep inside the sun via the action of the sun's inner magnetic dynamo. From there they bob to the top, carried upward by magnetic buoyancy; a sunspot emerging at the stellar surface is a bit like a submarine emerging from the ocean depths.

The analysis technique is called "time-distance helioseismology" It is similar to an approach widely used in earthquake studies. Just as seismic waves traveling through the body of Earth reveal what is inside the planet, acoustic waves traveling through the body of the sun can reveal what is inside the star.

Submerged sunspots have a detectable effect on the sun's inner acoustics—namely, sound waves travel faster through a sunspot than through the surrounding plasma. A big sunspot can leapfrog an acoustic wave by 12 to 16 seconds. By measuring these time differences, researchers can find the hidden sunspot.

There are limits to the technique, it is possible to forecast that a big sunspot is coming, but if a particular sunspot will produce an Earth-directed flare can not be predicted.

So far they have detected five emerging sunspots — four with SOHO and one with SDO. Of those five, two went on to produce X-class flares, the most powerful kind of solar explosion. This encourages the team to believe their technique can make a positive contribution to space weather forecasting.

ICASA STILL PROCRASTINATING ON AMATEUR REGULATIONS

ICASA has not yet finalised the corrections to the amateur radio regulations. A spokes person told the SARL this week that corrections to the regulations have been referred back to the Engineering Division. He also said that they are seeking an interim arrangement and approval from the Council to issue the outstanding ZU licenses.

The SARL earlier announced that students sitting the October RAE will be examined on the old regulations.

SARL WEB

The upgrading process is nearly complete. There is still some functionality that is not working as it should. This is being attended to and we expect to have resolved all issues by next weekend.

GAUTENG RTA ON SATURDAY 10 SEPTEMBER

The last SARL Radio Technology in Action Symposium will be held at the National Amateur Radio centre and the Sentech Conference centre on Saturday 10 September 2011. Put the date in your diary now. Get more details in next Sunday's SARLNEWS or on the web after mid week.

COMPETITION NEWS

YOUTH SPRINT NEXT SATURDAY

The ZS6JVT Youth Sprint will be held on Saturday 3 September from 10:00 - 12:00 on 7 130 - 7 200 kHz. Contacts on other frequencies are not valid. Not more than 5 contacts may be made on any one frequency at a time. Stations must move around the frequency range for the contest but may return to a previous frequency.

The rules are available on www.sarl.org.za <http://www.sarl.org.za/> or visit www.hamradio.org.za <http://www.hamradio.org.za/> for a copy of the rules and the lucky draw prizes.

Stations taking part should exchange a signals report and the operator's age. Scoring is in favour of radio amateurs under the age of 26 as follows: QSO between two stations that are under the age of 26 = 5 points. QSO between a station under 26 and a station over 26 - 3 points, QSO between two stations older than 26 = 1 point. QSO with ZS6JVT = 10 points.

Log should be sent to telesat@cybersmart.co.za or by snail mail to the JVT Youth Competition, Technical High School John Vorster, P O Box 31714, Totiusdal, 0134. Closing date for logs is 18 September 2011. Participants should include their email addresses.

Participants under 26 years of age who submit logs will take part in a lucky draw for two book prizes, the ARRL Basic Antenna Book, made available by the South African Amateur Radio Development Trust.

You are also invited to take part in a photographic competition. Send a high resolution picture of the participant operating during the ZS6JVT Youth Sprint to saardt@intekom.co.za before 15 September and you could also win the ARRL Basic Antenna book,

SARL HF CW CONTEST.

The HF CW Contest is on the air this afternoon from 15:00 to 18:00 CAT. Activity is on 20, 40 and 80 metres and the exchange is a RST report and a serial number starting at 001. There are four classes of participation - single operator single band, single operator all band, multi operator single band and multi operator all band. The rules can be found on page 62 of the SARL Contest Manual.

SARL YL SPRINT.

The committee received 14 logs (seven logs from ladies and seven logs from men) for the SARL YL Sprint held on 9 August.

1st Dawn Snyders, ZS5ME, 113 points 2nd Pam Momberg, ZS6APT, 111 points 3rd Collette Rundle, ZS2CR, 103 points 4th Heather Holland, ZS6YE, 102 points 5th Anette Jacobs, ZR6D, 89 points 6th Kempton Amateur Radio Technical Society, ZS6KTS, 60 points 7th Brinette Fourie, ZS6MZA, 32 points

CLUB NEWS

The Cape Town Amateur Radio Centre, ZS1CT, had a very successful operation during this year's International Lighthouse and Lightship weekend. Their lighthouse is the Green Point Cape Town lighthouse where they have active each year since 1999.

In all, 15 members came to operate and support the station and they worked well over 300 stations around the world, including many other lighthouses.

They had a visit from a local newspaper reporter who took many photos and interviews for an upcoming article on the public service and emergency preparation aspect of our hobby. Due to Green Point's ease of accessabiltity in central Cape Town, they had many people visiting them and who become exposed to our hobby.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Sorry, but we have not received our regular contribution this week. The best that can be done is to suggest that those of you who are really interested go to www.spaceweather.co.za for information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

Today 28 Aug. - SARL HF CW Competition. Aug. - Send ideas about 2012 Radio Technology in Action symposiums to rta@sarl.org.za. Aug. - Send ideas about proposed youth forum to artoday@sarl.org.za. 3 Sept - ZS6JVT Youth Spring Sprint Competition from 10:00 till 12:00. 15 September - Last day to send a high resolution picture of the participant operating during the ZS6JVT Youth Sprint to saardt@intekom.co.za. 18 September - Last day to submit logs for the ZS6JVT Youth Spring Sprint Competition.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 750 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 18:30 CAT on 3 230 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by Gustav, Z6SBWN.

Thank you for listening, 73.
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========== Message Ends ========== To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to

www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp.

808. [DXNL] DXNL 1743 (Aug 31, 2011)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-30 00:57:54 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <25124664468.20110830025648@dxhf.darc.de>
Source record: 4248
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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7Q, MALAWI
Harry,7Q7HB, is back in the club Makokola in Malawi and stays there
until Nov 23. He will try to operate as much as possible because the
power supply is unstable and diesel for generators scarce.
QSL via G0IAS (only direct).

9A, CROATIA
The special event callsign 9A20V remembers the tragic events 20 years
ago. The station works in CW and SSB on 80m-10m until Nov 21.
All QSOs will be confirmed via bureau automatically.
The QSL manager for direct requests is 9A6DR.

9H, MALTA, EU-023
Jasper,PB2JJ, will sign 9H3JN fron Malta (EU-023) in CW/SSB on 40m-10m
from Sep 2-14. QSL via homecall.
Logsearch will be available at: http://members.casema.nl/pb2jj/9h3jn
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Raul,IC8ATA, is working holiday style as 9H3AT from Malta (EU-023)
between Aug 29 and Sep 5. QSL via homecall. See: http://9h3at.jimdo.com

CN, MOROCCO
Marko,S55EI, will be QRV in SSB and PSK31 on 40m/6m/2m signing CN2EI
from Sep 3-20. QSL via homecall.

CT9, MADEIRA, AF-014
Matthias,CT9/DJ8OG, announced to be active from Madeira (AF-014) on
80m-10m from Sep 6-12. QSL via homecall.
He will sign CR3L during the WAE SSB Contest. QSLs for CR3L via DJ6QT.

Leonid,CT9/RW9JZ, is working mostly in CW on 40m-10m until Sep 5.
QSL via homecall.

ER, MOLDOVA
The special event station ER20MD is celebrating the 20th anniversary
of the independence of Moldova. QSL via ER1FF.

F, FRANCE
The special event station TM2GRF is working on all bands from the
Geishouse Rallye France from Aug 27 until Sep 10. QSL via F8BUO.

HB0, LIECHTENSTEIN
Jan,HB0/OK1XD, will be active in holiday style mainly in RTTY and PSK31
but also some SSB and CW from Sep 1-10. QSL via homecall.

HK, COLOMBIA
Lothar,DK8LRF, will be QRV as HK3JCL mainly in SSB on 20m/40m between
Sep 6 and Nov 16, PSK31/RTTY/Pactor only with a sked (dk8lrf@gmx.de).
You can contact him also via the Echolink station DM0ZHS-L near Munich,
Node # 249774, or direct at HK3JCL, Node # 255165.
QSL via homecall, bureau ok.

IS0, SARDINIA
Max,IZ4JMA, will sign IS0/IZ4JMA from Isuledda Island (EU-024) from
Sep 3-10. His next activity will be also in CW/SSB/digital on 10m-80m
signing IM0/IZ4JMA from La Maddalena (EU-041) from Sep 10-17.
QSLs via homecall.

OE, AUSTRIA
The special club stations OE2XXM and OE5XXM are working in SSB mainly
on 80m/40m and on 2m/70cm from the International HAM meeting in Gosau
using the special ADL 553 from Sep 1-30. QSLs via bureau.
See also: http://www.qrz.com/db/oe2xxm or http://www.qrz.com/db/oe5xxm

OH0, ALAND ISLANDS, EU-002
Nao,JA1HGY, will be QRV in CW/SSB/RTTY as OH0HG from Sep 2-4, including
the All Asian DX Contest. Log: http://www.clublog.org/charts/?c=oh0hg
Before and after his visit to Aland he will sign OH0HG/OH2 from Finland
(logsearch: http://www.clublog.org/logsearch/OH0HG/OH2).
Nao is celebrating the 50 years friendship with Martti,OH2BH, with
this visit.

ON, BELGIUM
The Radio Club de Binche will activate the special event station
ON4WAR to commemorate the Belgian resistance in World War II on
Sep 3 (1100-2000 UTC) and Sep 4 (1000-1800 UTC). QSL via ON7RY.

P4, ARUBA ISLAND, SA-036
Robert,W3BTX, is working holiday style signing P49T in SSB and CW on
10m-160m from Aug 31 until Sep 7. Other OPs are W3TEF and W3PN.
QSL via W3BTX.

PA, THE NETHERLANDS
Fred,PA0FAW, will use the special callsign PA11WSF mainly in CW and
PSK31 during the "World Statues Festival" from Sep 1-25. He will also
activate WFF FF-005. Fred is an ISWL member and thus can be counted
for ISWL Monitor Award as well. QSL via PA0FAW, SWL reports welcome.

PJ6, SABA ISLAND, NA-145
Fred,K9VV/NP2X, will be QRV as PJ6/NP2X from Sep 4-9. He will work in holiday style with 100 watts in CW and maybe also SSB but not digital modes on HF (no 6m). If the conditions are bad he will go diving.
QSL via K5WW.

SP, POLAND
A group from Poland and Germany (SP1EG, SP6TRX, SP9DTE, DF7MR, DL1HRG, DL9FR, DM2TO, DM3VA, DM7DX, DM7EA and DM7MA) will be QRV as SN1LH from the Niechorze lighthouse from Sep 2-6.
Follow the QSL route announced by the operator.

SV9, CRETE, EU-015
Ron,SV9/WB2GAI/p, is working from Chania on Crete (EU-015) between Aug 29 and Sep 30. This is his 4th IOTA DXpedition and as usual in CW on 80m-10m. Ron still has his logbooks of 2001, 2005 and 2009.
QSL for DX stations via bureau and for US stations direct.

SU, EGYPT
SU/HA3JB will be active on the HF bands from Sep 1 until Nov 30.
QSLs only direct via his homecall.

UA, RUSSIA
The 300th birthday of the Russian scientist Michail Lomonossow V. is celebrated by activating the special event station R300ML from different oblasti in the Archangelsk region between Sep 1 and Nov 30.
QSL via RN1ON.

UR, UKRAINE
Following special stations were active from Aug 22-28 to celebrate 20 years of Ukrainian independence: EM20C (via UX5PC), EM20L (US0LW), EM20LTD (UR3LTD), EM20UJ (UR5UJ), EM20UU (US7UU), EM20UKR (UR7UC), EM20V (UR2VA), EN20C (UX7CQ), EN20UO (UX5UO), EN20UP (UT4UP), EN20UZ (UR5UZ), EN20W (UR4WWE), EO20IO (UX3IO), EO20IZ (UX5IZ), EO20IGN (US7IGN), EO20K (UR4KWA), EO20M (UX7MA), EO20RR (UZ1RR), EO20UD (UR7UD), EO20UM (UT0UM), EO20UR (UT7UR), EO20UU (UT7UU), EO20ZZ (US0ZZ), EM0BSCC (UU0JM) and EM0UBC (via UR4UXD).

VE, CANADA
Canadian HAMs may use special prefixes to celebrate the centennial of Parks Canada between Sep 1 and Oct 31.
VA stations may use CF, VY stations may use CI, VO stations may use CH and VE stations may use CG instead.

XU, CAMBODIA
Wim,ON7PP, is QRV again as XU7TZG since Aug 22. QSL via homecall.
More information is available at: http://www.xu7tzg.be

CASHOTA UK and Ireland Heritage
CASHOTA together with Ireland Heritage will be QRV from several places during the European Heritage month.

CY9 QSLs Wanted for Museum
Duane,WV2B/VA1ZZ, is looking for QSL cards of DXpeditions to St. Paul

Island (Nova Scotia/Canada, CY9) as a donation for the St. Paul Island
Museum in Dingwall, NS.

DXCC Card Check
The DXCC QSL checker Scott Lehmen,N9AG, has died. He held many awards
and was a member of the DXCC Honor Roll. Our thoughts are with his
family.

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Sep 3: LZ Open SES Contest
Sep 3/4: JARL AA DX Contest
Sep 3/4: IARU Region1 Fieldday
Sep 4: DARC 10m Digital Contest Corona

A short note addressed to all stations joining the All Asia DX Contest:
It is not forbidden to give a short report to a fieldday station
calling you. The short report is given much quicker than describing
that you are in a different contest working only Asian stations.
Such a quick report is more like Ham Spirit.

IOTA collected by Ric,DL2VFR (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AS-066, R0L, Sea of Japan Coast group: R3BY/0 working mostly in CW on 80-17m
from Antipenko Island until Sep 4. QSL via homecall (bureau/direct).

EU-028, I*5, Toscana (Tuscany) Region group: IA5/IZ0KRC is spending his
holidays on Elba until Sep 9. QSL via IZ0KRC.

EU-030, OZ, Bornholm Island: OZ/DF6FL, OZ/DL9ZE and OZ/DL5FF are working
from Bornholm in SSB, CW and RTTY on 40m-10m until Sep 10.
QSLs via their homecalls (bureau/direct).

EU-054, I*9, Egadi Islands: IF9/IK2ANI will be QRV in SSB, CW and RTTY on
30m-6m from Sep 1-6. QSL via homecall (bureau/direct).

NA-029, VY2, Prince Edward Island (incl. Satellite Islands): K3GV/VY2 will
be active mostly on 15m and 20m from Prince Edward Island (PEI) for
one month starting on Sep 1. QSL via K3GV (bureau/direct).

NA-041, KL7, Alexander Archipelago: K6VVA/KL7 is going to hit the airwaves
from Revillagigedo from Sep 6-8. This is not the Mexican archipelago
with separate DXCC status but an island group with the same name off
the coast of Alaska. Rick will focus on working Europe and Japan on
30m, 20m and 17m.
See also: http://www.k6vva.com/iota/na041 or http://twitter.com/k6vva

QSLs only via N6AWD (bureau/direct).

Rockall announcement (IOTA EU-189): EA2TA, EA3NT, IZ7ATN and MM0NDX have
the ambitious goal of bringing the lonely and inaccessible cliffs of
Rockall in the North Atlantic on the air for 24 to 48 hours in 2012.
After evaluation of past weather data the group sees a chance to start
a try during late May or early June next year. This time they will have
the support of an experienced mountain climber (Nick Hancock). The team
says that they are aware that near-perfect landing conditions are
necessary to make this enterprise a success.
They are looking for sponsors now (via Paypal rockall.eu189@gmail.com).
In view of some unsuccessful attempts to activate Rockall in recent
years this seems to be not very easy either.

Bandspots of the last 7 days

40m
CT9/RW9JZ 7.111 2148Z via RW9JZ

30m
MJ/I1FQH 10.114 1820Z via I1FQH (B), (L)
OI3V/LH 10.117 0951Z
RK0UT/p 10.108 1748Z RDA-ZK33, (B)
SK6QA/LH 10.107 0945Z LH-SE-38
SN2NP 10.117 0648Z via SP2BIK (B)
SV8/DM3CW 10.121 1824Z EU-075, via homecall (B)
UP44Q 10.106 1655Z via UN0GL (B)
YO9IAB/p 10.124 0940Z YOFF-015, (B)
ZL4RUGBY 10.112 0518Z via ZL4PW (B), OQRS

20m
CT8/DK6EA 14.192 1303Z LH PT-14, via homecall (B)
NE1SJ 14.064 0725Z SOTA W1/CR-008
PJ2/DL1THM 14.276 2102Z SA-099, via homecall (B)
PY7ZZ 14.265 1736Z (d)
RA9UIV/9 14.015 1701Z (d)
UP7Z 14.011 1810Z via UN7ZZ
V85TL 14.021 1549Z (d)
VA2OTA 14.062 1805Z via VE2JCW (d)

17m
PQ8OP 18.130 1851Z SA-045, via PT2OP (B)
PQ8XB 18.069 1142Z SA-045, via PT7WA (B)

15m
CT3MD 21.285 1317Z AF-014, (B)
CT9/IZ2DPX 21.295 1407Z AF-014, via IZ2DPX (B)
FS/W6IZT 21.018 1432Z via N7ZG (L)
PJ2A 21.292 2011Z via N5UCF (B), (L)
PQ8OP 21.262 2040Z SA-045, via PT2OP (B)
5N6/YL2SW 21.303 1628Z via YL2SW (B)
5R8UI 21.270 1507Z AF-057, via IZ8CCW (B)

6m
T70A 50.099 1128Z (B)

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(L) = LoTW
(r) = bureau QSL via e-mail request

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

-Dec 3Y8XSA 1700/1717
-25Oct 5B50J 1700
23Aug-31Aug 5W0GJ 1741
-Apr/12 5Z4RH ? 1674
-23Nov 7Q7HB 1717/1743 *
-30Nov 8J1MORSE... 1731
21Aug-02Sep 9A/DH7KU 1741
-31Dec 9A11P 1723
-21Nov 9A20V 1743 *
-05Sep 9H3AT 1743 *
02Sep-14Sep 9H3JN 1743 *
-Sep 9J2KK 1682
-2012 9J2RI 1739/1742
NOW 9M2/KM9D 1731
-04Sep 9M2/SQ9UM 1740
LONGTERM 9N1FE 1740
SOON 9Q1EK 1669
-Nov 9Q6CC 1699

-? A35CT 1741
UNKNOWN 9U7T 1742
-31Dec BP100 1684
-31Dec BV100 1684
03Sep-20Sep CN2EI 1743 *
06Sep-12Sep CT9/DJ8OG.. 1743 *
-05Sep CT9/RW9JZ 1743 *
-31Dec CW5RV 1711
-31Aug DL20Y2DM 1700
-30Sep DR16BENE 1741
12Aug-04Sep DU9/PA3GZU 1740

15Aug-03Sep E51AND 1741
23Aug-11Sep EF1AST 1742
23Aug-11Sep EF1DFP 1742
23Aug-11Sep EF1DR 1742
23Aug-11Sep EF1HLW 1742
23Aug-11Sep EF2RC 1742
23Aug-11Sep EF2TW 1742
23Aug-11Sep EF4GEL 1742
23Aug-11Sep EF4RCH 1742
23Aug-11Sep EF4TD 1742

23Aug-11Sep EF5AR 1742
23Aug-11Sep EF5DM 1742
23Aug-11Sep EF5DY 1742
23Aug-11Sep EF5FL 1742
23Aug-11Sep EF5GUI 1742
23Aug-11Sep EF7CIN 1742
23Aug-11Sep EF7FT 1742
23Aug-11Sep EF7JB 1742
23Aug-11Sep EF7TV 1742
23Aug-11Sep EF8AKN 1742
23Aug-11Sep EG5DM 1742
23Aug-11Sep EG5FL 1742
23Aug-11Sep EG5KB 1742
UNKNOWN ER20MD 1743 *
26Aug-04Sep EX20ID 1742

-Jul/12 FR8NE 1710
01Sep HB0/OK1XD 1743 *
-31Dec HB60LU 1711
-31Dec HG15IPA 1724
01Jan-31Dec HG200LST 1708
06Sep-16Nov HK3JCL 1743 *
-09Sep IA5/IZ0KRC 1743 *
01Jan-31Dec IA7MM 1708
01Sep-06Sep IF9/IK2ANI 1743 *
01Jan-31Dec II1ITA.. 1708
-31Dec II4LXV 1742
01Mar-30Sep IO4UI 1717
10Sep-17Sep IM0/IZ4JMA 1743 *
03Sep-10Sep IS0/IZ4JMA 1743 *
27Aug-02Oct IR2LV 1742

-2012 J28FJ 1739
-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul/12 J28RO 1683
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
-Oct JG8NQJ/JD1 (M) 1739
06Sep-08Sep K6VVA/KL7 1743 *
16Jun-05Sep K1VSJ 1732
01Sep-30Sep K3GV/VY2 1743 *
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
-May/12 KH4/W5FJG 1728
POSTPONED KH5 1674/1705/1741
-31Dec LA200D 1713
30Aug-06Sep LX/PA1AW 1742
30Aug-06Sep LX/PA3EWP 1742
30Aug-06Sep LX/PA9JO 1742
30Aug-06Sep LX/PA7FM 1742
-31Dec LZ85R 1721

03Sep-04Sep ON4WAR 1743 *
01Sep-30Sep OE2XXM 1743 *
01Sep-30Sep OE5XXM 1743 *
02Sep-04Sep OH0HG 1743 *
CANCELLED OJ0CC 1742
28Jul-04Sep OH1K 1738
Aug OL100VP 1721
27Aug-10Sep OZ/DF6FL 1742/1743 *
22Aug-03Sep OZ/DL2GF 1741
27Aug-10Sep OZ/DL5FF 1742/1743 *
27Aug-10Sep OZ/DL9ZE 1742/1743 *
-Sep P29CW 1713
-Mar/12 P29FR 1742
31Aug-07Sep P49T 1743 *
01Sep-25Sep PA11WSF 1743 *
01Jan-31Dec PA30.. 1708
30Sep-01Oct PG6MILL 1742
21Aug-08Sep PJ2/DH2AK 1742
21Aug-08Sep PJ2/DL1THM 1742
04Sep-19Sep PJ6/NP2X 1743 *

1Sep-30Nov R300ML 1743 *
-04Sep R3BY/0 1743 *
-Dec RI1ANC 1708
SOON RI1F/UA1PBA 1740
-Sep/12 RI1FJA 1741
-Sep/12 RI1FJM 1741
21Aug-06Sep S79DO 1741
02Sep-06Sep SN1LH 1743 *
01Sep-30Nov SU/HA3JB 1743 *
29Aug-30Sep SV9/WB2GAI/P 1743 *
28Sep-26Oct T32C 1740
-Nov T6FR 1742
-Jun/12 T6MO 1733
-Nov T6SH 1734
20Aug-03Sep TK5UX 1741
-31Aug TM11NOR 1742
27Aug-10Sep TM2GRF 1743 *

Aug UE90K 1739
25Aug-10Sep UM20Y 1742
-Dec VK0BFG 1741
-Mar/12 VK0KEV (Macq) 1700/1701
May -Aug W3CVD/4 1726
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
-14Nov XF1/K5ENS 1739
NOW XT2RJA 1712
UNKNOWN XU7TZG 1743 *
-Sep ZC4MIS 1732
-Sep ZD9GI 1691
19Aug-31Oct ZL4RUGBY 1741
-31Dec ZL50GH 1711

-2012? ZS6KX/7 1740

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

A71/JY5FX via JY5FX (d)
AT0ULH via VU2CDP (B), (L)
CG100NS via VE1CDD (B)
CO6CAC via EA5KB (B)
CR5L via CT1DSV (B), (L)
CR5LSV via CT5KAO (B), (L), eQSL
CR6LH via CT1GZB (B)
CT2HXM via F6KOP (B)
CT8/DC2CT via DC2CT (B)
CT8/DK6EA via DK6EA (B)
CW1R via CX1AA (B)
DA0LCC/LH via DH4HAN (B)
DA0WLH via DL4NH (B)
DA2011LH via DH3WO (B)
DF0DLFF via DL7AFS (B)
DN0AWG/LH via DO1OMA (B)
DU2/OE5LXP via OE5LXP eQSL only
EF4RCH via EA4RCH, eQSL, (L)
EF4TD via EA4TD, eQSL, (L)
EF5AR via EA5AR (L)
EF5DM via EA5DM
EF5DY via EA5DY
EF5FL via EA5FL
EF5GUI via EA5GUI
EF7CIN via EB7CIN
EF7FT via EA7FT
EF7JB via EA7JB, eQSL
EF7TV via EA7TV
EF8AKN via EA8KAN
EG1GEG via EA1LT (B)
EG1TDH via EA1HNP (B), eQSL
EG5DM via EA5FL
EG5FL via EA5DM
EG5KB via EA5KB (B)
EH8FLH via EA8AKN (B)
EO18IKF via US6IKF
EO18IKN via US6IKN (B)
EO60RUL via UZ9RR (B), (L), eQSL
GB0BHL via G0TQT (B)
GB2LBN via GM4UYZ (B)
HB0/DJ9CB via DJ9CB (B)
HB0/HB3YDL via HB3YDL
HB0/IZ2QCP via IZ2QCP (B), eQSL
HB0/PA3FYG via PA3FYG (B)

HI3/KB2MS via KB2MS (B)
HI3/W1JNZ via W1JNZ
HF6WGC via SP6CES (B)
HF85LKK via SP8AUP (B)
HG50MHZ via HA5HRK (L), eQSL
HG5MORSE via HA5BA
LO2F via AC7DX (B)
LR5D via LU4AA (B)
LU/IW1FC via IZ1MLQ (B)
LX8RTTY via LX1DA (d)
LY2011USCARS via ES2TT (B)
LY/SP5VYI via SP5VYI (B)
MJ/I1FQH via I1FQH (B)
N0B via N7UN (B), (L)
N6L via K6LSN (B), eQSL
N7L via K7VV
NP2X via K5WW (B)
OE/DJ5RE/p via DJ5RE (B)
OE/DK7FK via DK7FK (B)
OE/ON4UP via ON4UP (B)
OE9/DK9ES via DK9ES
OH0/WS4T via WS4T (L), eQSL or ES1WST (d)
OH5/DG2SBL via DG2SBL (B)
OJ0UR via M0URX (B)
OJ0VM via OH6VM (B)
ON18CS via ON4RSX (B)
ON30CLM via ON6HC (B)
OX3XR via OZ3PZ (B)
OZ/AL3T via DL7ET (B)
OZ/DL5SE via DL5SE (B)
OZ0FR/p via DL2VFR (B)
PA2011DYK via PA3RGH (B)
PF29CAVENTE via PA7HPH (B)
PG6HK/LH via PD2J (B)
PJ7/AF6WU via AF6WU (L), (d)
PQ8OP via PT2OP (B)
PQ8RS via PU1KGG (B)
PQ8XB via PT7WA (B)
R10RTRS/0 via R7AA (B)
R3ARS/1 via RA3AKF (B)
RA/JA8BMK via JA8BMK (B)
RA/N6TR via N6TR (B)
RE0RFF/0 via RA0Q (B), eQSL
RW9QA via W3HNK (d)
SN5N via SP5KP
SN9Y via SP9UOP (B)
SP/DD3JA/p via DD3JA
SQ8SET via SP8WQX (B)
SV8/DM3CW via DM3CW (B)
T32JB via I5JHW (B)

TC2X via OH2BH (B)
TC7LHW via TA7EB (B)
TF/G4ODA via G4ODA (B)
TM1G via ON6DP (d) / F6CNM (B)
TM5SM via F5RJM (B)
TM7T via ON7EQ (B)
TM89YON via F5KCC
TM0COL via F6FMT
TM0MN via F4DTO (B)
UN3M via EA7FTR
UP44Q via UN0GL (B)
UP7Z via UN7ZZ
VK2IZI via EB7DX (d)
YF8RIM via EA7FTR
YY7OMF via YV5AJ (B)
Z330A via Z30A
ZA/IW7DZJ via IW7DZJ (B)
ZA/YU1FW via YU1FW (B)
ZB2LGT via ZB2JK (d)
ZS6/4Z5LA via 4Z5LA (B)
4X/LY2H via LY2H

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
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(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) = e-mail request

QSLs arrived direct: FG5FR, FG5GP, PJ4B (PA8A), TE8X (TI5AA)

QSLs arrived bureau: D44TT (K1BV), EG7TV, EY8CC, EY8CC, EY8MM (K1BV),
FR/DJ7RJ, FS/K9EL, H40FN (HA8FW), HR9/WQ7R (K5WW),
HS0ZCW (K4VUD), HZ1IK (DK7YY), OX/DL2SWW, OX/DL2VFR,
OX3XR, P40A (WD9DZV), PJ4/W0OZ, PW6C (K9AJ),
PY0FF (W9VA), R1ANP (RW1AI), T32AJ (K9AJ),
V47NT (N2NT), V51JF, VP2MZM (K2DM), YI9PSE (N6NKT),
Z23MS (UA3DX), ZD9AH (DL2AH), ZK3OU (N7OU),
ZK3YA (W7YAQ)

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809. [RAC-Bulletin] EMCOMM: Calgary ARES Meeting postponed.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-30 09:50:06 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4E5CB08A.7000808@rac.ca>
Source record: 4249
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

EMCOMM: Calgary ARES Meeting postponed.
2011-08-29

At the moment the ARES Calgary meeting to be held on September 7th has
to be cancelled. There is an outstanding issue that requires RAC to
resolve.

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810. Re: get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-30 18:30:22 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <412e44ef-98df-4d99-8255-4a7b27a8cc88@t29g2000vby.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4250
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On Aug 24, 12:32 pm, kb9rqz <m...@kb9rqz.com> wrote:
> On Aug 17, 6:55 pm, kb9rqz <m...@kb9rqz.com> wrote:
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> > On Aug 17, 3:14 pm, "radio rambo" <- Hide quoted text -
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> - Show quoted text -

811. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 22 - 28 August 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-30 21:30:06 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20110830213001.E286433C8C@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4001
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.info

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:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2011 Aug 30 1656 UTC
# Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
# http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
#
# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
#
Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
22 - 28 August 2011

Solar activity was at very low to low levels. Region 1271 (N16,
L=059, class/area Ehc/290 on 18 August) produced four low-level
C-class flares during the period. All other regions on the disk were
relatively stable and quiet. There were no Earth-directed CMEs
observed during the period.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
normal to moderate levels during the entire period.

Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet to unsettled levels on 22 -
25 August due to a weak coronal hole high speed stream (CH HSS).
Activity decreased to mostly quiet levels for the remainder of the
period.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
31 August - 26 September 2011

Solar activity is expected to be very low to low throughout the
forecast period.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is
expected to be at normal to moderate levels from 31 August - 03
September. The flux is expected to increase to moderate to high
levels during 04 - 09 September due to CH HSS effects. Normal to
moderate flux levels are expected during 10 - 11 September. A return
to moderate to high flux levels is expected on 13 - 14 September
following a second CH HSS. Normal to moderate levels are expected
from 15 - 25 September. Moderate to high flux levels are expected on
26 September due to effects of another CH HSS.
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Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be at mostly quiet levels during 31 August - 02 September. Activity is expected to increase to quiet to unsettled levels, with isolated active periods, during 03 - 05 September as a CH HSS disturbs the field. Quiet levels are forecast for 06 - 10 September. An increase to quiet to unsettled levels is expected during 11 - 12 September due to another CH HSS. Predominately quiet levels are expected for the remainder of the period with the exception of 18 - 19 September and 24 - 25 September, when quiet to unsettled levels are expected due to recurrent CH HSS effects.

812. Question not related to amateur radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-31 00:22:00 UTC
From: Kickin' Ass and Takin' Names <PopUlist349@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <vcvq57tnk6253sa94ehmvvh4f75dlask7e@4ax.com>
Source record: 4002

We were hit by Hurricane Irene last weekend -- not too exciting
because Sweet Thing and I went through Katrina on the Gulf Coast six
years ago, still . . .

Power is out and my whole-house generator has been humming along since
Saturday afternoon. Problem is, the generator obviously is putting
out less than 60 Hz current. I noticed that my electric clocks are
losing over two hours per day and finally realized the time loss is
caused by AC current being less than 60 Hz.

I checked the manual for my generator and there are instructions for
setting the AC frequency -- run generator under no load, connect freq
meter to AC output, adjust this for XXX Hz, adjust that for XXX Hz,
and that does it.

Question is, where do I get a freq meter that reads as low as 60 Hz?
And do I connect it directly to the AC lines, or, should I connect
through a capacitor?

RF I can handle but this AC stuff is a mystery.

Thanks.

813. Re: Question not related to amateur radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-31 02:01:31 UTC
From: Kickin' Ass and Takin' Names <PopUlist349@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <td5r571i3c6khmsm2u72aobo6fdl3klcmg@4ax.com>
Source record: 4003

On Tue, 30 Aug 2011 20:22:00 -0400, Kickin' Ass and Takin' Names
<PopUlist349@hotmail.com> wrote:

>We were hit by Hurricane Irene last weekend -- not too exciting
>because Sweet Thing and I went through Katrina on the Gulf Coast six
>years ago, still . . .
>
>Power is out and my whole-house generator has been humming along since
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>And do I connect it directly to the AC lines, or, should I connect
>through a capacitor?
>
>RF I can handle but this AC stuff is a mystery.
>
>Thanks.

Hmmm. Answered my own question.

My Fluke Model 117 digital multimeter measures AC voltage or current
freq. Set the range, plug the probes into the AC socket and there it
is.

122 VAC, 57-58 Hz.

814. Re: Question not related to amateur radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-31 02:14:54 UTC
From: dplatt@radagast.org
Message-ID: <u1i0j8-5cq.ln1@radagast.org>
Source record: 4004

In article <vcvq57tnk6253sa94ehmvvh4f75dlask7e@4ax.com>,
Kickin' Ass and Takin' Names <PopUlist349@hotmail.com> wrote:

>I checked the manual for my generator and there are instructions for
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>meter to AC output, adjust this for XXX Hz, adjust that for XXX Hz,
>and that does it.
>
>Question is, where do I get a freq meter that reads as low as 60 Hz?
>And do I connect it directly to the AC lines, or, should I connect
>through a capacitor?

I wouldn't use a capacitor. Safer to use a transformer... any
low-voltage supply transformer (think "6.3 VAC wall wart" such as
you'd find powering many old modems) will give you good isolation from
the power line.

Almost any halfway-decent frequency counter can be set to a 1-second
(or longer) capture interval, and can thus give you readings to 1 Hz
or better of resolution. If you can find one which will capture for
up to 99 seconds, that gives you even better resolution... I think my
good HP will do that, and that even the old B&K I picked up for a song
can do a pretty long capture interval.

To get down to significantly better than 1 Hz of resolution in a
reasonable amount of time, you can phase-match against a known-good
frequency source. Most oscilloscopes will let you lock their
horizontal trigger to the incoming line voltage. If you have some
sort of calibrated frequency standard (say, a 10 MHz standard which
can be divided down to 1 or 10 pulses per second), use this standard
to drive the vertical, set the scope trigger to "LINE", and then
adjust the generator frequency so that the reference signal you're
looking at doesn't "drift" across the scope.

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Dave Platt <dplatt@radagast.org> AE6EO
Friends of Jade Warrior home page: http://www.radagast.org/jade-warrior
I do _not_ wish to receive unsolicited commercial email, and I will
boycott any company which has the gall to send me such ads!

815. MMMonVHF Newsletter 2011-08-31

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-31 10:02:28 UTC
From: MMMonVHF News Mailer <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <201108310959.p7V9xtK6018695@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 4005
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our lastet NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2011-08-31
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter, once a week (thursday)
from now on - if any special activities will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further detail please be so kind and watch our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you vy welcome for any
input and we do hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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** Rytis Zumbakis, LY4U (ex UP2BIL, LY2BIL etc) as well SK **

I am sorry to report the sad news about next SK Rytis LY4U (ex-
LY2BIL) passed away this Tuesday, 30th August 2011. Rytis was
well known as perfect HF and VHF operator and contester.
Considered himself an earnest advocate of fair play principles
in Ham Radio Contesting. Likely pioneer of real time computer
logging and CW keying in LY in 1991 using early version of CT.
Likely pioneer of SO2R in LY in 1999. He was active member of
LY2WR, LY2W & IU9T multi teams. Rytis was manager of LYAC/NAC
contest in Lithuania since early 2000s. He was a Teacher for
many LY's, who now are active on VHF. Many VHF records belongs
to Him. More about Rytis: http://qrz.com/db/ly4u and
www.printqsl.com/lyac/category/ly2wr/ Rest in peace, dear OM.
SOURCE: Oleg, LY3UE and Remi LY8O, direct to MMMonVHF

Matej, OK1TEH, did place more info www.ok2kkw.com/ly4u_sk2011.htm

As well all of our MMMonVHF Team was shocked to hear that vy sad
News. We all do know Rytis since the first days of our VHF work,
have had hundreds of TROPO, ES, AURORA and MS QSOs and as well
will loose all his patience, friendly and helpfull words in any
way for us and the big VHF community at all! The Team of MMMonVHF
will pass our deep sympathy and condolences to his family.
Rest in peace, dear OM and FRIEND Rytis! SOURCE: The MMMonVHF Team

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** September MS Predictions MMMonVHF **

Even if no big meteor showers hit the Earth in September, this
month deserves lot of interest by MS enthusiasts. Sporadic Meteors
flux is at its annual maximum in this period, thus providing
relatively good rates especially during morning hours. Some minor
to medium showers (Alpha-Aurigids, September Epsilon-Perseids,
Sextantids and others) will also add significant meteor rates.
Have a look to shower predictions for September 2011 at our MMM
MS-Propagationpage: http://www.MMMonVHF.de/ms.php
SOURCE: Massimo, IV3NDC, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

** Italian ARI EME Activity 2012 **

Hello Dears OM, these are the dates of Italian ARI EME Activity 2012
XXI Meeting ARI EME Marina di Pietrasanta 21-22 April 2012
VIIï¿½ Contest ARI EME "New Modes" 26-27 May 2012
XIXï¿½ Contest ARI EME CW/SSB 29-30 September 2012
W.W. ARI EME Italian Marathon 01 January - 31 December 2012
SOURCE: Enrico, I5WBE, ARI - EME Manager via MoonNet

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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*** DXCC: DL ; Square: JO30 ; Start: 2011-09-03 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3995

DP5G qrv in the IARU 144 MHz Contest in September
DP5G - JO30FK - 647m ï¿½.NN / 8 x Big Wheel 25m / 2 x 14ele DF7KF
QRG - 144.155 +- - ON4KST Chat / OP DM1CG / DF7KF
SOURCE: tnx to Gaby, DM1CG direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** IARU R1 VHF Contest 2011 - 3/4 September **

As well as in past years, Matej, OK1TEH, did setup a list of
stations participating at IARU R1 VHF Contest 2011 - 3/4 September
For details please do refer the following PAGE:
http://www.darkside.cz/qrv.php
SOURCE: Matej, OK1TEH at OK2KKW webpage

** N8OFS/p qrv 50 MHz between 2011-09-10 till 2011-09-12 - EN91OR **

N8OFS/P will be back in the Caboose (Jefferson Ohio EN91or Ashtabula
County) for the ARRL September VHF 2011 Contest (September 10-11)...

Same reliable setup; Kenwood TS-60 @ 50W to 29.4ft of LMR-400 to
the "DOMINATOR" 5/8 wave vertical @ 29.5ft above the ground using a
Shakesepare heavy duty 8ft mast bolted to the roofwalk of the
Caboose, parked and locked on 52.525FM... I will have Internet this
time, and will be hanging out on the ON4KST Region 2 50MHZ Chat...
I will be on the air for the Contest the entire time; since
Passenger Train season will be on temporary hiatus during this time,
I won't hafta "get out of the way" and shut down early...
Just a reminder that I will also be on the air the Sunday following
the ARRL Sept VHF for the Classic Exchange Contest...
SOURCE: tnx to Andy, N8OFS, direct to MMMonVHF

** IA5/IZ0KRC from Elba Island (EU-028) **

Claudio, IZ0KRC will be active as IA5/IZ0KRC from Elba Island
(EU-028) from 28 August to 8 September. He will operate holiday
style on 40-2 metres SSB, CW and RTTY. QSL via home call, bureau
preferred. SOURCE: rgsbiota.org via 425 DX News

** IF9/IK2ANI from Favignana Island **

Aldo, IK2ANI will be active as IF9/IK2ANI from Favignana Island
(EU-054) on 1-6 September. He plans to operate SSB, CW and RTTY
on 30-6 metres. SOURCE: IK2ANI via 425 DX News

** Special club stations OE2XXM and OE5XXM **

The special club stations OE2XXM and OE5XXM are working in SSB
mainly on 80m/40m and on 2m/70cm from the International HAM meeting
in Gosau using the special ADL 553 from Sep 1-30. QSLs via bureau.
See also: http://www.qrz.com/db/oe2xxm or
http://www.qrz.com/db/oe5xxm SOURCE: DXNL 1743 (Aug 31, 2011)

** TU, IVORY COAST, qrv as TU2T **

An Italian team consisting of Alfeo/I1HJT, Silvano/ I2YSB, Carlo/
IK1AOD, Vinicio/IK2CIO, Angelo/IK2CKR, Marcello/IK2DIA and Stefano/
IK2HKT will be active as TU2T from the Ivory Coast sometime between
October and November (dates to be confirmed). Activity will be on
160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1823, 3505, 7005, 10106, 14025, 18075, 21025, 24895, 28025 kHz
SSB - 3780, 7056/7180, 14195, 18145, 21295, 24945 and 28495 kHz
RTTY - 10140, 14080, 18104, 21080, 24902 and 2808 kHz
6m - 50105 kHz - CW, SSB and Beacon - Pilot station will be Art,
IK7JWY. QSL via I2YSB, direct (2 USDs Europe, 3 USDs outside Europe
and SAE [NO IRCs and stamps) or via the OQRS. For more details,

visit the TU2T Web page at: http://www.i2ysb.com/joomla5 Also, join
the TU2T forum at: www.hamradioweb.org/forums/forumdisplay.php?f=62
SOURCE: [GOLIST] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1025

** JP90, Market Reef (IOTA EU-053) in the air again **

Operators Will PA3ALK, Jack PA3BAG, Steef PA2A and Wim PA2AM will be
active from Market Reef (IOTA EU-053), ARLHS MAR-001, TWLHD WLH OJ0
001, WFF OHFF-038, WLOTA 0542, WW Loc. JP90NH) between 27 August and
3 September 2011, using the callsign OJ0CC. QRV on all HF bands in
SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK. Also QRV on 4m and 6m. QSL via PA2A, direct
or bureau. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW and eQSL.
SOURCE: [rsgbiota.org] via [ICPO] ICPO Bulletin (26 Aug-02 Sept)

** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 2359 UTC ...

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The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF - Newsletter Credits & Info
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Our Newsletter is compiled from the input of the USER of the
VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF and as well by a lot of free usable
HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats
like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USER who did send us info and News **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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816. The ARRL Contest Update for August 31, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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The ARRL Contest Update

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August 31, 2011

Editor: Ward Silver, N0AX <rate-sheet@arrl.org>

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NEW HF OPERATORS - THINGS TO DO

Why not give some of the short holiday CW sprints a try this weekend?
The Adventure Radio Sprint has the "heavy-light" theme, the NS sprint
begins with a slow-speed period, and there is the Labor Day Sprint, as
well. The high-speed North American Sprint is on the following weekend
- if you dare!

BULLETINS

There are no bulletins in this issue.

BUSTED QSOS

Your editor got a good log checking report last time!

CONTEST SUMMARY

Complete information for all contests follows the Conversation section

Sep 3-4

- SNS and NS Weekly Sprints--CW (Sep 2)
- All-Asian DX Contest--Phone
- Russian Radio RTTY WW
- DARC 10-Meter Digital "Corona"
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- Colorado QSO Party
- IARU Region I Field Day--Phone
- AGCW Straight Key Party
- QCWA Fall QSO Party
- Tennessee QSO Party
- Labor Day Sprint--CW (Sep 5)
- ARS Spartan Sprint--CW (Sep 6)

Sep 10-11

- ARRL September VHF QSO Party
- North American Sprint--CW
- 070 Club KA3X Memorial Sprint--Digital (Sep 9)
- Worked All Europe DX Contest--Phone
- Arkansas QSO Party
- Ohio State Parks On the Air
- QRP ARCI VHF Contest
- SKCC Straight Key Weekend Sprint
- Classic Exchange--CW

==> NEWS, PRESS RELEASES, AND GENERAL INTEREST

The contest season begins anew - get rolling this coming Thursday evening with a joint PVRC <http://pvrc.org/>/NCCC <http://nccc.cc/> Webinar on the basics of Sprint contests with Hank Garretson W6SX. This presentation will be particularly helpful for newcomers to Sprinting. The webinar begins at 0100 UTC, Sep 2, and registration <https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/331266970> is free. The first webinar will conclude no later than 10 :00 PM EDT (0200 UTC) so that attendees can take a short break and roll right into the 30 minute NS (NCCC Sprint), which begins at 10:30 PM EDT (02:30 UTC). (Thanks, Ken K4ZW)

WRTC2014 <http://wrtc2014.org/> is pleased to announce that it has received a Letter of Determination from the U.S. Internal Revenue Service granting 501(c)(3) status as a tax-exempt public charity. This means that contributions to WRTC2014, Inc. by U.S. taxpayers are deductible to the extent allowed by law. Contact info@wrtc2014.org or visit the web site for information on WRTC2014, and details on how to contribute. In addition, WRTC2014 has been recognized and endorsed by IARU at their recent meeting in South Africa!

Eric K9GY/T6MO reports receiving word that Industrial Communications Engineers (ICE) Radio Products has been restructured and is once again producing the entire ICE product line. The name of the new company is Morgan Manufacturing Sales <http://www.morganmfg.us/> and the new website has just been launched.

Mike Wetzel W9RE <mjwetzel@comcast.net> is looking for the contact information for contest coordinators from the US and Canadian contest clubs. If your club has not been contacted, get in touch with Mike.

The all-important Country (CTY) Files <http://www.country-files.com/cty/> were updated on 27 August 2011. Used by your logging software to keep prefixes and DXCC entities and CQ zones straight, it's important to have the latest version. To install the file, follow the link to your software at the top of the page. (Thanks, Jim AD1C)

Thanks to K6TD, the Cabrillo Statistics program originally developed by K5KA (SK) and now maintained by Bob N6TV, has just been ported to the Mac OS X environment. This program generates hour-by-hour rate sheets and valuable SO2R statistics from a Cabrillo-formatted file. It creates a simple text file that can easily be pasted into a reflector post. You may now download <http://bit.ly/cabstat> CBS version 10e for Windows, Mac OS X, and Linux. CBS Version 10e adds new support for NAQP-RTTY and CQ-WW-RTTY logs, as well as a number of bug fixes and minor improvements. This is a simple command line utility written entirely in C and is small enough to download from a slow dial-up connection (<100 kbytes). Please contact N6TV <n6tv@arrl.net> directly with a copy of your Cabrillo file if you run into any problems using the program.

Jim K5ND notes that one good way to publicize ham radio is through Scouting's Jamboree on the Air <http://www.scouting.org/jota> held this year on October 15 and 16. It is the world's largest Scouting event with 2010 results coming in at over 700,000 participants from nearly 6,000 stations around the world. Please engage your local Boy Scout council to help them with a planned operation or to start one. This year JOTA stations have an opportunity to pre-register <http://www.scouting.org/jota/registered_stations> their events. Several are doing fox hunts as well. You can find lots of information online and on the ARRL site <http://www.arrl.org/jamboree-on-the-air-jota>. This is a great way to not only reach the public but to expose youth to Amateur Radio.

>From AMSAT <http://www.amsat.org/> bulletin ANS-240, we learn that Kentucky Space <http://www.kentuckyspace.com/>, a consortium of Kentucky-based colleges and universities and Make Magazine <http://makezine.com/> announced the First annual hackerSPACE Workshop focused on CubeSat class satellites to take place in Lexington, Kentucky, November 11-12.

If you do a lot of tower climbing or are otherwise interested in being trained in tower safety by professionals, check out this class <http://www.comtrainusa.com/basic-tower-safety-and-rescue-tsr.php>. (Thanks, Bob N6TV)

Dress for success takes on a whole new meaning when talking about wearable antennas <http://www.gizmag.com/antennas-built-into-clothing/19616/> as reported in Gizmag. Developed at Ohio State University <http://researchnews.osu.edu/archive/antcloth.htm>, this is just the latest in "smart fabrics". There is even a bikini with integrated solar cells!

The Society of Midwest Contesters occasionally annual general meeting, known to some as the 5th ZO Fest, was held at the QTH of K9ZO in Bloomington, Illinois on Saturday, August 13. Many folks travelled over three hours just to be near the center of the Black Hole. It was satisfying to renew old friendships and welcome new folks. What a great way to have an annual meeting!

Peter Dahl, K0BIT <http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/elpasotimes/obituary.aspx?n=peter-dahl&pid=153171917>, legendary for his transformers <http://radioworld.com/article/peter-dahl--dies/24169> that powered big signals around the world, died recently at the age of 71. He opened his own business in 1986, designing and manufacturing transformers for the military, TV and radio stations and hams. Many of those transformer designs are still available from Harbach Electronics <http://www.harbachelectronics.com/main/page_xfmr_catalogs.html>.

Web Site of the Week - On the Society of Midwest Contesters <http://www.w9smc.com/> website you will find a link to their new club award/activity, the Grand Prix. The competition between club members encourages activity throughout the year. There are two VHF+ contests, three possible RTTY, two DX, domestic and two 160 meter contests. Up to nine contests can be counted for any one Grand Prix entrant. Maybe this could give your club some ideas to stimulate activity!

WORD TO THE WISE

Interlock - a software or hardware device that prevents transmitting more than one signal at any one time. This is an important new rule for multioperator stations in this year's CQ World-Wide <http://cqww.com/> contest. The old YSW method (Yelling, Swearing, and Waving) just doesn't cut it. Note that alternating CQs on two frequencies in the same band has been banned, as well.

==> SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

You know the old saw about towers and antennas, "If it stayed up last winter, it wasn't big enough!" Well, what if not only did it stay up but someone can parachute from the top of it <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AS3fQtSKCTw>...successfully? Radio Arcala just added another notch to their belts!

This hardware is even bigger! Space.com has published a photo album of 50 great photos <http://www.space.com/12671-50-russian-rocket-launch-photos.html> of Russian rocket launches. Even after last week's failure of a supply vessel's third stage (the cause has been identified as described on the Space.com site) this is the route to space for American astronauts for the foreseeable future.

You just might be a serious sci-fi hamster if you understand this photo <http://i.imgur.com/JNlvV.jpg>. (Thanks, Joe KJ8O)

==> RESULTS AND RECORDS

The ARRL Rookie Roundup <http://www.arrl.org/rookie-roundup> results for the first-ever RTTY version are now available. Joanna, K6YL repeated her April 2011 win as she led all challengers to the checkered flag with a score of 6437 points at the Stanford Radio Club station, W6YX, in the hills above Silicon Valley. (Thanks, ARRL Contest Branch Manager, Sean KX9X)

The 2011 Minnesota QSO Party Results are now available <http://www.w0aa.org/media/documents/mnqp/MNQP_2011_RESULTS.pdf>. (Thanks, Al K0AD)

The Oceania DX Contest <http://www.oceaniadxcontest.com/rules.pdf> Committee is pleased to report that the results <http://www.oceaniadxcontest.com/2010_Results.htm> of the 2010 Oceania DX Contest are now available. A total of 1092 logs were processed with 21% more QSOs than last year, both of which are new records! As well as the more common VK, ZL, YB and KH6 stations there were a number of rarer Oceania entities active including V85, 9M6, AH0, DU, and FO8. In particular, the 15 meter band really came to life. Plenty of records were also broken. This year's contest is only a few weeks away! (Thanks, Brian ZL1AZE)

Russian DX Contest results <http://rdxc.org/results/2011/results.asp> for 2011 are now available, including SDR audio files in support of several disqualification <http://rdxc.org/asp/pages/dq.asp?YEAR=18> decisions. (Thanks, Igor UA9CDC)

The Arizona Outlaws Contest Club <http://www.arizonaoutlaws.net/> website features a neat "ladder" for the club's yearly competition for plaques. Click on "AOCC Ladder" on the left pane to see a spreadsheet with each Ladder Category. Click on the column's heading and after a second or two, you'll see the latest standings! Created by Dave AB7E and Sandy N7RQ, this might give other contest clubs some ideas about how to stimulate come healthy competition. (Thanks, Bob K8IA)

The IOTA Contest <http://www.iotacontest.com/> sponsors have received over 2,000 logs. Many also sent in photographs along with soapbox comments that appear on the website. You can see the list of activated logs <http://www.iotacontest.com/contest/iota/2011/listOfLogs.php> and check that your entry is correct in terms of category, etc. The photo gallery has LOTS of great photos for your enjoyment. (Thanks, Don G3XTT)

JARTS <http://jarts.jp/> has announced the results of the 2010 WW RTTY contest the new rules for 2011. 925 logs were received for 2010. (Thanks, Hisami 7L4IOU)

OPERATING TIP

"The best way to communicate with someone is to use THEIR preferred method, not YOURS." - Mark N5OT. In a contest, that means you should be continually aware of the need to shift gears up or down when needed.

==> TECHNICAL TOPICS AND INFORMATION

How can you measure the relative permeability of an unknown ferrite core? Place several turns on it and measure the inductance with a handheld LCR meter. Then use the formula AL (mH/1000 turns) = 1000000 x L / N2 with N being the number of turns. (For powdered iron cores, AL is in mH/100 turns.) This measurement only provides permeability information at the frequency of the measurement - typically quite low for LCR meters. A better method for HF and VHF testing would be to connect a capacitor across the toroid winding and use a dip meter to determine the resonant frequency. Calculate L from L = 25330 / f2 C, where f is in MHz, C is in pF, and L is in mH. Then calculate AL at the frequency of interest. The latest Fair-Rite Products <http://www.fair-rite.com/> catalog is an excellent source of material on ferrites. Another very good resource for identifying toroid cores (and many other useful functions) is DL5SWB's Mini Ring Core Calculator <http://www.dl5swb.de/html/mini_ring_core_calculator.htm>. This program has data on toroid cores from all identifiable makers, including dimensions and color coding which are usually the best parameters to check first. (Thanks, Carl KM1H, Jim K9YC, and Ian GM3SEK)

Julius N2WN ran across this Epcos document <http://www.epcos.com/web/generator/Web/Sections/Publications/PDF/_C3_9Cberspannungsableiter_20und_20Schaltfunkenstrecken,property=Data__en.pdf;/%C3%9Cberspannungsableiter_und_Schaltfunkenstrecken.pdf> that has a detailed explanation of gas-discharge tubes and how to choose them for lightning protection. The information is in German and English and is quite detailed.

Brian K1BRF relays the link to a Technology Review <http://www.technologyreview.com/blog/arxiv/26965/?ref=rss> article that reports an improved Lithium-Sulfur (LI-S) battery chemistry that increases energy storage capacity by nearly an order of magnitude. That this would have far-reaching consequences is a bit of an understatement and certainly portable operating would benefit greatly.

Gary K9AY provides advice for soldering radials: "For many years, dating from my first career in broadcasting, I have used silver-bearing plumbing solder commonly available in hardware stores and home centers. This is typically tin (Sn) with 0.25% or 0.5% silver (Ag). I tried the cheaper 100% tin, but the silver dramatically improves the solder flow and bond to the copper. Clean copper and the right flux is essential. Scotchbrite or similar pads are good; sandpaper may be needed to cut through deeper oxidation. The liquid acid flux works best, but is messy and corrosive -- wear gloves and wash things off when done. Paste flux works fine if the copper is clean, and is a lot easier to work with. I can't say enough about cleaning the copper -- everything is easier that way. A good physical connection helps too, since it will require less solder and flux. Finally, if you're concerned about protecting a soldered joint, a coating of black silicone or "liquid electrical tape" works well."

The latest operating instructions for HFTA <http://www.arrl.org/files/file/Product%20Notes/Antenna%20Book/HFTA.pdf>

by author Dean N6BV, dated Aug 3, 2009, includes links for obtaining DEM, NED and SRTM geographical data and he confirms they all work. Dean's webinar "Hinks and Kinks for Using HFTA" and can be found in the PVRC webinar archive <http://www.pvrc.org/webinar/webinars.htm>.

Along with the observation about knowing when your antennas and towers are big enough, how can you tell that your slingshot is big enough? How about when it has a mount for a laser sight! Tom N4TL wrote in with news about the Big Shot® slingshot <http://www.sherrilltree.com/Professional-Gear/BIGshot> that looks like it would be a lot of fun in many, many ways! Dave N2NL/KH2L can probably relate as described in his recent blog entry about coconut trees <http://www.n2nl.net/?p=445>.

While EZNEC is the gold standard for ham antenna modeling under Windows, Linux users needn't despair. The xnec2c program also provides a lot of functionality as described in this video series <http://illruminations.com/2011/07/22/antenna-modeling-using-nec2c-on-ubuntu-linux/> by Steve AI4QR. (Thanks, Art AB4RL/6)

A couple of issues ago, an item described methods for installing masts on tower. Eric K9ES contributes his method of using two thrust bearings, one on the top plate and one 5 feet below the top plate. You have to build the tower with mast already inside it at the bottom. When complete and guyed and with the rotator not yet installed, lift the mast inside the tower. Use a muffler clamp around mast to secure the rope from the gin pole. Attach the rope 60% of the way up the mast, above the center of gravity. When the mast extends a few feet beyond the top plate, lock the mast in place with thrust bearings. Install the top antennas on the mast and reposition the gin pole rope to the bottom of the mast. Continue to pull the mast through the thrust bearings after loosening the nuts, and tensioning the rope. Continue this procedure until the mast is high enough to allow the rotator to be installed, and lower the mast into the rotor clamps.

John KK9A contributes this handy formula for estimating tower work duration: Actual time = Estimate * Pi. Your editor can also speak from personal experience that this formula works for developing software, car repairs, the prep time for any recipe, weeding the garden, putting a child to sleep, and numerous other endeavors.

It's difficult to identify SMD devices, but this on-line resource <http://chip.tomsk.ru/chip/chipdoc.nsf/vc1%21readform&view=smd&cat=B&start=501&count=500> is quite complete, including links to data sheets for many of the items. English speakers will be able to skip over the Cyrillic text. If a pop-up claiming no data has been found - ignore it. (Thanks, Bob Dehoney)

Technical Web Site of the Week - Tod K0TO built and measured 18 of high-impedance common-mode chokes with a complete write-up <http://www.k0to.us/HAM/ham.htm> on his website ("Measurement of Chokes made using type 31 material cores" in the Experiments & Measurements

section) showing how they were fabricated, how they were measured and the measurement results. He used Fair-Rite 2.4-inch diameter type 31 toroidal cores and small diameter, RG-59 size coax. The information should provide guidance to those fabricating their own common-mode chokes.

==> CONVERSATION

Would You Know?

Hurricane Irene just missed the US mainland but you might never know it from the damage totals and news videos. Even downgraded to a tropical storm by the time of landfall over Long Island, NY, there was still plenty of punch. Before the roads are even cleared, however, tropical storm Katia has formed and is expected to reach Category 3 status in a few days. It promises to be a stressful hurricane season for the Caribbean, the Gulf of Mexico, and the entire eastern seaboard.

So why wait until the sound of plywood being nailed up is on the evening news? Would you know the frequencies of the Hurricane Watch Net <http://hwn.org/> and your state and local emergency nets? Do you know how to check in to such a net and submit or accept "traffic"? What would you do if you heard a distress call on the bands from a station in an affected area? If a person asked you to get a message into an affected area, how would you do it? That is not the time to start thinking about what to do!

Competitive radiosport exists not because the FCC thinks we should have fun on the air but because our Basis and Purpose (Part 97.1) states that we are expected to provide emergency communications, among other things. By building competition-grade stations and training competition-grade operators, so the theory goes, Amateur Radio will be a resource to the nation in time of need. It doesn't matter much that you can "run rate", though, if you don't know how to use those skills.

Certainly, your local ARES team could use your skills. If you're not sure about the ham emergency organizations in your area, contact your ARRL Section Manager and ask for his or her help in finding the appropriate sources of information and groups. They'll be glad you called and you will, too.

You can also prepare yourself by studying the material on the ARRL's Public Service <http://www.arrl.org/public-service> website. Along with describing the operation of ARES and NTS, there are plenty of resources <http://www.arrl.org/public-service-resources> for you, too, all at no charge. You can also prepare by being informed about the areas likely to be affected. After all, a hurricane doesn't exactly sneak up on us - there is plenty of time for everyone to collect their wits and the necessary resources to be effective if called on.

If a pinch of prevention is worth a pound of cure, then an evening of reading, printing, and study will certainly pay off, too. With the U.S. Labor Day holiday coming up, perhaps an hour or two could be set aside.

You'll be better prepared all year long, too, so that your answer when needed is "Yes!" instead of "I don't know..."

73, Ward N0AX

==> CONTESTS

31 Aug to 13 Sep 2011

An expanded, downloadable version of QST's Contest Corral in PDF format <http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar> is available. Check the sponsor's Web site for information on operating time restrictions and other instructions.

HF CONTESTS

SNS and NS Weekly Sprints--CW, from Sep 2, 0200Z to Sep 2, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-14. Every Thursday evening (local). Exchange: Serial, name, and S/P/C. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.ncccsprint.com/rules.html>

All-Asian DX Contest--Phone, from Sep 3, 0000Z to Sep 4, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RS and age ("00" for YL). Logs due: Oct 31. Rules <http://www.jarl.or.jp/English>

Russian Radio RTTY WW--Digital, from Sep 3, 0000Z to Sep 3, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST and oblast or WAZ zone. Logs due: Oct 1. Rules <http://www.radio.ru/cq/contest/rule-results/index2.shtml>

DARC 10-Meter Digital "Corona"--Digital, from Sep 3, 1100Z to Sep 3, 1700Z. Bands (MHz): 28. Exchange: RST and serial. Logs due: 2 weeks. Rules <http://www.darc.de/referate/ukw-funksport>

Colorado QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Sep 3, 1200Z to Sep 4, 0400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50+, Frequencies: CW--1.850, 3.550, 7.050, 14.050, 21.050, 28.050; Phone--1.870, 3.850, 7.250, 14.250, 21.350, 28.450. Exchange: Call sign, name, and county or S/P/C. Logs due: Oct 5. Rules <http://www.ppraa.org/coqp>

IARU Region I Field Day--Phone, from Sep 3, 1300Z to Sep 4, 1300Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RS and serial. Logs due: 16 days. Rules - see IARU Society Web pages

AGCW Straight Key Party--CW, from Sep 3, 1300Z to Sep 3, 1600Z. Bands (MHz): 7. Exchange: RST, serial, category, name, age. Logs due: Sep 30. Rules <http://www.agcw.org/>

QCWA Fall QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Sep 3, 1800Z to Sep 4, 1800Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50+. Exchange: Call sign, year lic'd, name, chapter or S/P/C. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.qcwa.org/qso-party.htm>

Tennessee QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Sep 4, 1800Z to Sep 5, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50+, Frequencies: See website. Exchange: RS(T) and county or S/P/C. Logs due: Oct 6. Rules

<http://www.tnqp.org/>

Labor Day Sprint--CW, from Sep 5, 2300Z to Sep 6, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, MI QRP nr or power. Logs due: Oct 7. Rules <http://miqrp.org/>

ARS Spartan Sprint--CW, from Sep 6, 0200Z to Sep 6, 0400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Monthly on the first Monday evening local time. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, and power. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.arsqrp.blogspot.com/>

070 Club KA3X Memorial Sprint--Digital, from Sep 9, 8 PM to Sep 10, 2 AM. Bands (MHz): 3.5. Frequencies: 3.580. Exchange: Call sign, RST and S/P/C. Logs due: Oct 9. Rules <http://www.podxs070.com/>

Worked All Europe DX Contest--Phone, from Sep 10, 0000Z to Sep 11, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RS and serial. Logs due: Sep 28. Rules <http://waedc.de/>

Arkansas QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Sep 10, 1500Z to Sep 11, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28, 144, Frequencies: CW--3.550, 7.050, 14.050, 21.050, 28.050; Phone--3.980, 7.260, 14.260, 21.360, 28.360, 145-147. Exchange: RS(T), county or S/P or "DX". Logs due: Nov 1. Rules <http://www.arkanhams.org/>

Ohio State Parks On the Air--Phone,CW,Digital, from Sep 10, 1600Z to Sep 10, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28, 50,144. Exchange: "Ohio" or S/P/DX and Park ID. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://parks.portcars.org/>

QRP ARCI VHF Contest--Phone,CW,Digital, from Sep 10, 1800Z to Sep 12, 0259Z. Bands (MHz): 50+. Exchange: Grid square. Logs due: Oct 12. Rules <http://www.qrparci.org/>

North American Sprint--CW, from Sep 11, 0000Z to Sep 11, 0400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Exchange: Call signs, serial, name, and state. Logs due: 7 days. Rules <http://www.ncjweb.com/>

SKCC Straight Key Weekend Sprint--CW, from Sep 11, 0000Z to Sep 11, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50. Exchange: RST, QTH, name, member number. Logs due: 5 days. Rules <http://www.skccgroup.com/>

Classic Exchange--CW, from Sep 11, 1300Z to Sep 12, 0700Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50,144, Frequencies: 1.820, 3.545, 7.045, 14.045, 21.135, 28.05, 50.1, 144.1. Exchange: Name, RS, S/P/C, type of equipment. Logs due: 60 days. Rules <http://www.classicexchange.org/>

VHF+ CONTESTS

ARRL September VHF QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Sep 10, 1800Z to Sep 12, 0259Z. Bands (MHz): 50+. Exchange: Grid square. Logs due: Oct 12. Rules <http://www.arrl.org/contests>

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==> LOG DUE DATES

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- August 31 - US Counties QSO Party <http://marac.org/cwrules.htm>
- August 31 - Venezuelan Ind. Day Contest <http://www.radioclubvenezolano.org/rules.htm>
- September 1 - Feld Hell Sprint <http://sites.google.com/site/feldhellclub/Home/contests>
- September 1 - Portugal Day Contest <http://www.rep.pt/portugal_day_contest/rules.html>
- September 1 - CQ Worldwide VHF Contest <http://www.cqww-vhf.com/rules.htm>
- September 1 - RSGB 80m Club Sprint, SSB <http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2011/rsprint.shtml>
- September 3 - North American QSO Party, SSB

<http://www.ncjweb.com/naqprules.php>
- September 3 - TARA Grid Dip Shindig
<http://www.n2ty.org/seasons/tara_grid_rules.html>
- September 4 - SARL HF CW Contest
<http://www.sarl.org.za/public/contests/SARL_2011_Contest%20Manual_issue_9.pdf>
- September 5 - SCC RTTY Championship
<http://lea.hamradio.si/scc/rtty/rttyrules.htm>
- September 5 - CWOps CW Open <http://www.cwops.org/cwopen.html>
- September 6 - ARRL UHF Contest <http://www.arrl.org/august-uhf>
- September 10 - ARCI Welcome to QRP
<http://www.qrparci.org/content/view/8382/118/>
- September 13 - Maryland-DC QSO Party
<http://mdcqsoparty.w3vpr.org/Documents/MarylandQSOPartyRules2011v2.pdf>
- September 13 - CVA DX Contest, CW
<http://www.craec.info/2010/images/docs_pdf/cvarules.pdf>
- September 13 - CVA DX Contest, SSB
<http://www.craec.info/2010/images/docs_pdf/cvarules.pdf>

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817. HOT ACTRESS PHOTOS AND VIDEOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-31 14:50:51 UTC
From: SAMARA <jaidatta9247@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <dbbcbbd5-696f-4549-a0c1-62dcad0d1cde@a10g2000prn.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4007

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http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/07/katrina-kaif-wallpapers.html
DOOKUDU LATEST MOVIE STILLS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/08/dookudu-movie-stills.html
KAJAL LATEST ROMANTIC STILLS
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SOUTH INDIAN HOT ACTRESS PICS
http://allyouwants.blogspot.com/2011/08/hot-actress.html
DEEPIKA PADUKONE IN DUM MARO DUM MOVIE
http://allyouwants.blogspot.com/2011/08/deepika-in-dum-maro-dum.html
PRIYAMANI SPICY PHOTOS IN COW GIRL
http://allyouwants.blogspot.com/2011/02/priyamani-spicy-photo-shoot-cow-girl.html

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http://allyouwants.blogspot.com/2011/02/priyamani-spicy-photo-shoot-cow-girl.html
KAJAL HOT PHOTOS IN SAREE
http://allyouwants.blogspot.com/2011/06/kajal-very-spice-pics.html

818. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-08-31 22:59:03 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <e5ece0c9-4c70-46b7-9621-ceead3ebd5d5@en1g2000vbb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4008

On Aug 31, 10:50 am, SAMARA <jaidatta9...@

can the spam

819. Crossposting Permitted to rec.radio.amateur.moderated

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-01 06:00:02 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting-1-1314856800@panix.com>
Source record: 4009
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting
Revision: 1.1 2009/04/12 19:42:04
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rram/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

After a 30-day public discussion and feedback period to gauge reader
opinions in March of 2009:

http://groups.google.com/group/rec.radio.amateur.moderated/browse_thread/thread/d7d337db35
f23326

the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team has decided to consider
amending its charter, and permit limited simultaneous crossposting to
rec.radio.amateur.moderated and one other unmoderated
amateur-radio-related discussion newsgroup. We are currently trying
this on a temporary basis (90 days, through early July 2009), and adopt
it permanently if successful.

Approved rec.radio.amateur.* newsgroups are those that are currently
listed in the latest version of the "List of Big Eight Newsgroups" which
is crossposted monthly to news.announce.newgroups, news.groups, and
news.lists.misc.

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that have been created consistent with the suggestions in "So You Want
to Create an Alt Newsgroup" at:

http://www.faqs.org/faqs/alt-creation-guide/

Approved regional hierarchy newsgroups are those that contain either
"radio.amateur" or "ham-radio" in their names, including
uk.radio.amateur and aus.radio.amateur.misc.

We will make every reasonable effort to keep our list of approved
newsgroups up-to-date. In case we have overlooked any, and a submission
is rejected in error as a result, the rejected submitter can E-mail us
at our administrative contact address (in the signature at the bottom of
this article, and the default Reply-To for the rejection message)
requesting that it be added, and that the article be approved. We may
still choose to reject articles crossposted to any alt.* newsgroup with
an inappropriate name, including obscene language, embedded
name-calling, or encouragement of unlawful conduct.
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Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-amateur-moderated-request@panix.com.

820. [Vk1wia-news] WIA News, Text Edition

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-01 08:41:02 UTC
From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
Message-ID: <00aeb372-dbd7-4cef-992d-c6113d4ecf1a@smxsrv01.vintek.net>
Source record: 4010
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2011-09-04.mp3
Text edition:

SEPTEMBER 4 2011. VK and WW STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING SEPTEMBER 04 2011.

Project Horus.

The VK5 team advises they are planning a day of several amateur high altitude balloon launches, looking towards October the 16th (a Sunday).

Also they are hoping to launch a talk through repeater to be used by the amateur community as part of JOTA, as well as several experiments and other in-house payloads with at least one APRS equipped payload.

The repeater is likely to be launched early in the day, airborne for as long as possible.

At this point they have not decided on exact input/output frequencies, but will publish this information soon.

As usual, launches are very weather dependant.

Please direct any queries regarding plans to the contact form on the website: http://projecthorus.org/?page_id=162

(Adrian VK5ZSN & Terry VK5VZI)

SOMEDAYS ARE DIAMONDS!

And it would seem so are planets! Well at least one recently discovered by CSIRO Astronomers using 'The Dish' - CSIRO's radio telescope near Parkes, VK2.

Yes they believe they've found a small planet made of diamond, orbiting an unusual star.

The discovery was made by an international research team, headed by Professor Matthew Bailes of Swinburne University of Technology in Melbourne.

The journal, "Science," say ""Although bizarre, this planet is evidence that we've got the right understanding of how these binary systems evolve."

VISION AUSTRALIA

An ISS linkup which came "out of the blue", occurred in Australia last Monday night according to the UK Southgate Amateur Radio Club and was deemed

a great success.
Twelve students got to ask one question each before the ISS passed below the horizon.

Again I ask clubs and hams that are associated with any of these "talks to spacemen", please let the WIA know in advance, we do not get advised by Ariss be it here in Australia or overseas, maybe they are concerned someone might 'fire up' on the spacecrafts input frequency?

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK1

This is Alan Victor Kilo One Whiskey X-ray, Education officer of the, Canberra Region Amateur Radio Club and WIA assessor.

Because of the amount of recent interest in obtaining an Amateur Radio Licence CRARC have run foundation licence course weekends in July and August. CRARC's next Scheduled foundation course is next weekend 10/11th of September which is fully booked.

Where possible upgrade assessments are run as part of the foundation course weekend, however we can run upgrades at other times by arrangement.

For each course weekend CRARC has have been at or near capacity of six to eight candidates. The number of candidates is limited by the number of WIA assessors and learning Facilitators available for the courses.

Now for the plug if you are at all interested in becoming a course presenter and or WIA Assessor or Learning facilitator in the ACT Region please contact the Canberra Region Amateur Radio Club education officer Alan VK1WX on education@crarc.ampr.org

CRARC have already taken and are taking bookings for the 12/13th November course Foundation courses generally run every two months if the number of WIA assessors/Learning Facilitators increased, CRARC could increase the number of candidates for each course, thereby increase the number of participants in our great hobby of Amateur Radio

73 Alan VK1WX

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/
Police Roundup http://www.vicpolicenews.com.au/

Want some quality training for the Foundation Licence, or know someone who may be interested, then tell them about the next class on offer from Amateur Radio Victoria which is September the 10th and 11th.

Inquiries most welcomed by Barry Robinson VK3PV on 0428 516 001 or email foundation@amateurradio.com.au

Mark VK3PDG of the Southern Peninsula Amateur Radio Club tells us the Rosebud Hamfest is on Sunday 13th November 2012 NOTE 12! at 10am.

This is a new Hamfest to promote Amateur Radio on the Mornington Peninsula

The SPARC Hamfest is a new, exciting event showcasing all things Radio & Electronic. Displays, forums & traders are just the start. Cutting edge technology will feature alongside traditional favourites, & our kids corner will educate & delight children as well as the young at heart.
Come to Rosebud by the Bay on November 13th 2012.

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Welcome to QNews from VK4WIA. I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP, and I've been thinking.

Way back when Model T Fords and Austin 8 motor cars were sought after prizes of the new industrial age, the radio experimenter was adapting available paraphernalia to the hobby. By the time Australia could claim its own motor car, the surplus of war time electronics were being used to grow many a ham station.

By the time the first 8-bit computers were appearing, surplus boards from obsolete mainframe computers were supplying active and passive components to the hobbyist. A few projects featured in "Amateur Radio" magazine. The commercial land mobile industry has bequeathed many rigs to the amateur cause with varying amounts of success.

The one thing that marks these practices has been the personal desire to learn. learn by doing. When we look over recent times there has been an exponential growth in the semiconductor industry to feed the communication/IT markets. The upshot of this is that mass produced components with performance that would have classed them as laboratory grade standard in years gone-by are now being used by the home constructor.

The major demand for home brewing is stronger eyes as surface mount components get smaller.

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think....how about you?

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www.tarc.org.au

The North Queensland Amateur Radio Convention will be happening a couple of weeks time in Charters Towers, from Friday afternoon 16th to Sunday afternoon 18th September.

The registration deadline is this Tuesday 6th September.

The primary venue for Convention happenings will be the Charters Towers RSL Club. Be registered to partake in tours, the Convention Banquet and the famous Monster Auction.

For more information head to the Townsville Amateur Radio Club website at www.tarc.org.au

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NTARC meets informally for coffee each Monday and Friday at Friends Cafe, in Jimmy's shopping complex off Charles Street, Launceston between 11.00am and noon.

A reminder too that on the last Monday of each month, the coffee venue switches to Lilydale, with David VK7YUM and Norma VK7FOOD at their cafe in the main street between 11.00am and noon.

(73, Yvonne, NTARC Inc. Secretary)

DISCUSSION POINT

What use is an f-call? (#3)

I have previously discussed the idea that having an f-call is like having a key to the front-door, or like the first step towards gaining a pilot license.

You may think while you're listening to me talk that I've been in Amateur Radio for years and that I have all the HAM experience in the world. The opposite is true.

While I have a long history in broadcast radio, that is, I'm not afraid to open my mouth in front of a microphone and I'm not afraid to participate in public fora, I am as fresh as a newborn in the Amateur Radio field.

You might think that your skills, the ones you have as prior experience before you got your license are not sufficient to be able to actually contribute to this hobby. You may have the belief that there are others more qualified than you who may scoff at your technique or knowledge.

As I have said, learning to fly, going solo, is something that every pilot from Cessna to Space Shuttle needs to do. Every Amateur you hear on the radio has been through those steps, some last week, some 50 years ago. There is no way to learn to swim, other than getting wet.

If you're listening to this online, perhaps next week, you'll turn on your radio, or find a friend who has a radio to listen to this broadcast over the air.

If you're listening to this over the air, then I encourage you to stick around at the end of the broadcast call in. You might be worried about "doing it right". Perhaps some background will help. A call-back is structured so that everyone can hear everyone else. Call backs can be as simple as keying the microphone and saying your call-sign. Wait until you have some silence, key the mike and talk. We don't bite! Also, if you end up keying the microphone at the same time as someone else, the person running the call-back might ask you to try again, or they might not say your call-sign, so they may not have heard

you at all. So call again!

As a final encouragement, I've been broadcasting on radio for nearly 20 years. I've conducted some 1500 radio interviews and spoken to many people. Every time I key the microphone, my stomach flutters and clenches. The trick is to carry on regardless!

I'm Onno Benschop, Victor Kilo Six Foxtrot Lima Alpha Bravo.

Be brave, you can do it!

HOME OF THE GOOD GUYS

As part of the Lincoln Short Wave Club's 90th birthday activities, the club has donated a brand new FT450AT to the radio station at the University of Addis Ababa in Ethiopia.

The shack is housed in the Department of Electrical Engineering and is the HQ of the Ethiopian Amateur Radio Society.

Listen for E T 3 A A often around 14.180 and 21.180.

(sourced to southgate)

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART and the WW sources of the WIA.

Public Consultation on Allocation of the Digital Dividend in New Zealand.

The NZ Ministry of Economic Development has released for public consultation a discussion document on the allocation of "digital dividend" radio spectrum, specifically the 700 MHz band.

The digital dividend is the radio spectrum freed up by the switchover to digital television. The discussion document canvasses technical and policy considerations for the allocation of the 700 MHz band.

A workshop will be held on Thursday 8 September in Auckland, to provide an opportunity for interested parties to clarify any of the analysis or proposals presented in the document.

FCC dispatches four "roll call" teams to look for silent signals.

Roll-Call teams", use specially equipped SUVs, to "take a snapshot" of police, fire, government, radio/TV and other users of spectrum.

In about two hours, the two-person team can perform a "fast scan" of the entire spectrum. Scan an area about to be hit by the likes of Hurricane Irene they then return to those areas once the storm passes, to detect changes.

One thing the FCC is especially watching for:
Broadcasters or wireless sites that may be running on emergency battery power, and which might need assistance.

The FCC has opened its emergency 24 hour operations centre, "to protect peoples' ability to communicate" and to support licensees such as radio and TV.

Harris Corporation has been awarded a $16 million follow-on contract by Lockheed Martin to supply more than 100 Harris High band Networking Radio systems for the U.S. Army's Warfighter Information Network • Tactical (WIN-T) Increment 2 program.

The contract represents the largest-quantity radio order to date, and brings the total value of WIN-T contracts to Harris to more than $200M since 2002.

High band Networking Radio (HNR) features the first-ever use of directive beam technology to achieve higher throughput over longer distances. A directive beam also permits simultaneous use of the same frequency between nodes not in each other's RF path

(Satnews Daily)

After a Russian supply ship recently exploded, there are worries that there will be no way to get new astronauts to the station. By late November, the station may have to operate without a crew.

The Russian supply ship was destroyed during lift-off and is a similar ship to what's used to launch astronauts.

Three of the six space station astronauts, meanwhile, will remain in orbit for at least an extra week.

Currently there are two Soyuz spacecrafts docked at the ISS. One is scheduled to bring back three astronauts in September and another is scheduled to bring the other three back in November.

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

A big day in the life of 11 year olf Kaitlyn Cole KS3P.

At the 2011 Huntsville Hamfest, Kaitlyn was presented with this years Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award.

Reading from a prepared statement, Kaitlyn had quite a story to tell about her involvement in the tornadoes that ravaged her home state and her decision to try to help those in need:

KS3P: "When the tornado struck on April 27th, I was very scared. We had no power and the phone was dead. I did not know how lucky we were until my parents took us out driving around our community.

"Some of my neighbours had lost everything or had their lives cut short by the tornadoes that struck. It was not some far off event on the news. This was personal to me.

"I didn't think a young ham like myself could do much, especially an 11 year old elementary student. My dad took me down to a command post in a Huntsville church. We signed some release forms and were given wrist bands. We then met up with Charlie, W1CST. Charlie gave me a chance to operate and provided guidance. It was really overwhelming at first because I was completely new to doing net control in a real emergency.

"At the time, I knew I was helping out but didn't think much about it because there were so many hams working. For me it was a way to cope with the devastation and to give something back to my community."

All in all it was a great afternoon to honour a very giving young woman who even though she is only age 11 has proven that hams of any age are ready and willing to serve their community in times of need. As such, we join with our corporate underwriters and with the Huntsville Hamfest in congratulating Kaitlyn S. Cole, KS3P, for her dedication to the hobby, to the community and really to all of mankind.

A LOOK BACK AT THE SHUTTLE AMATEUR RADIO EXPERIMENT

Amateur radio has been an active participant on Space Shuttle flights since STS-9 Now that the shuttle program is at an end, Newsline Producer Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, takes a quick look back at how the shuttle took manned ham radio into space:

Audio of W5LFL first CQ approaching the US Pacific coast.

That's what it sounded like on my Icom IC-2AT in the courtyard of the old Metromedia Square building in Hollywood, California that winter evening in 1983 as Astronaut and Mission Specialist Owen Garriott, W5LFL, streaked across the night-time sky at close to 135 nautical miles above me in the space ship Columbia.

Dr. Garriott was fulfilling a dream that he'd had since before his first trip to orbit aboard Spacelab several years earlier. That was to take a ham radio station with him into space. Now, thanks to some assistance from the late NBC Newsman Roy Neal, K6DUE, the blessings of then NASA Administrator Jess Moore, and an amazing flying machine called the Space Shuttle, it had come to pass.

His first CQ from orbit brought thousands of responses, but the one that he heard best and who became the first United States ham to contact W5LFL was Lance Collister, then WA1JXN, now W7GJ, of Frenchtown Montana. The QSO between the two hams lasted only a few seconds during which ham radio history was made:

First QSO between W5LFL/space mobile and WA1JXN in Montana.

To get on the air from Columbia Dr. Garriott used a commercial handy talkie that had been modified and programmed for operation on several ham radio frequencies. To get signals out of and back into the orbiting spaceship W5LFL used a specially-designed cavity antenna engineered to fit a specific shuttle window and was held in place with Velcro binders. The antenna, designed by members of the Johnson Space Centre Amateur Radio Club was roughly 24 inches in diameter and looked somewhat like a large aluminium cake pan with a piece of coaxial cable running from it to connect it to the hand-held transceiver.

Knowing the number of QSO's would be fast and furious a small cassette recorder was attached to the system to log anyone he heard and anyone he talked to.

Random QSO space to ground audio.

In addition to the random QSO's , Garriott also had some interesting pre-arranged contacts. Among others W5LFL was able to speak with the amateur radio club in his hometown of Enid, Oklahoma and with the Johnson Space Centre Amateur Radio Club in Houston Texas whose members had helped develop his flight ham station hardware. He also held QSO's with the late Senator Barry M. Goldwater Goldwater and with Jordan's late King Hussein, JY1.

Contact between W5LFL and JY1:

Dr. Garriott's ham radio adventure on STS-9 ushered in a host of outstanding outreach activities that in following years that put ham radio onto almost every shuttle mission. It also lead to the creation of the Shuttle Amateur Radio Experiment or SAREX program. This was the ground breaking alliance between the ARRL, AMSAT and NASA that over the years enabled astronauts on-orbit to make contact with thousands of school kids as well as to their own families back on Earth. And not only using FM voice. Soon both slow scan Amateur television and packet messaging were a part of SAREX as well.

Eventually SAREX went from the Shuttle Amateur Radio Experiment to be renamed the Space Amateur Radio Experiment and then to ARISS - Amateur Radio on the International Space Station. Today, Earth to space station contacts are almost routine. More modern equipment and external antennas in the International Space Station make signals both ways a lot stronger than they were back in 1983 when Dr. Owen Garriott, W5LFL, called that first CQ from the space ship Columbia and ushered in the era of manned ham radio in space.

Looking back over the years of ham radio operations from the United States Space Shuttle, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the Newsroom in the City of Angels.

In all there were five videos made chronicling ham radio on board the United States space shuttles. They live on as a lasting reminder of manned amateur radios first steps into space.

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2011

Oct 22 WIA Jack Files Contest

Nov 26-27 WIA Spring VHF-UHF Field Day

2012

January VK Ross Hull Memorial VHF UHF Contest

March 17-18 VK JOHN MOYLE MEMORIAL FIELD DAY

June Long Weekend (vk4 time) VK Shires Contest.

July First full weekend NZART Memorial Contest

RD CONTEST

Please make a note that there is only ONE email address to send your completed RD log to and that is the one shown on the WIA contest page.

rdlogs@wia.org.au

If you send it to ANY other email address it WILL end up in cyber-space!

rdlogs@wia.org.au

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

WB 6 OJB will be on the air as 7P8JK from Lesotho between September
15th to the 22nd. While other information was given, during his
last Lesotho operation he was on the High Frequency bands from
40 to 10 meters using mostly SSB with some CW.
QSL direct to his home callsign WB 6 OJB.

4 W 6 A will be QRV from Atauro Island (IOTA OC-232), Timor-Leste (East Timor),
from 16 to 26 September 2011. 10 to 160 metres CW, SSB and RTTY.
QSL manager is M 0 URX, direct via the bureau, or LoTW.

PB 2 JJ will be active as 9H3JN from Malta between September 2nd and the 14th.
Operations will be on 80 through 10 meters mostly CW but with the possibility
of some SSB. QSL this operation via his home callsign PB 2 JJ.

For rugby enthusiasts, look out for ZL4RUGBY operated by ZL4PW until 31st
October. This is to celebrate the 2011 Rugby World Cup being played in
New Zealand.

THE QNEWS WORK BENCH - the nuts and volts report - Measure Twice cut Once.

I'm Col-. VK3LED

It's a parent's worst nightmare.

A Child dying after being left in a hot car!

But it's a tragedy that can always be prevented.

A USA Man, Russ Rusakov says he has the solution. That's why he invented
"The Safety Seat Alarm System", with his company, Suddenly Safe 'N' Secure
Systems.

A weight-sensitive pad slips under the car seat, and is connected by a tiny
transmitter. If you walk just 2 meters away from the car, an alarm that's
connected to a key chain starts to go off.

Rusakov described, "It immediately alerts with an 80 decibel sound, and it
vibrates," He says it's very much like a smoke alarm in your house.

You hope it never goes off, but can be a life-saver, if it does.

Since it went on the market in March, they've sold literally hundreds!

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

FO-29 reaches 15th birthday

Japan's FO-29 amateur radio satellite passed its 15th birthday on August 17th.

Thanks to the careful power system management by the operating team the
analogue repeater continues to function well.

Recent telemetry received from FO-29 operational continuous analogue bus voltage
as 15 - 16.5V and Transmit Power: 500 - 900mW.

The linear transponder can be accessed on these frequencies:

Uplink: 146.000 - 145.900 MHz
Downlink: 435.800 - 435.900 MHz
Beacon: 435.795 MHz

The FO-29 Blog is on-line at http://blog.goo.ne.jp/fo-29
A google english translation of the blog can be found at http://tinyurl.com/FO29Blog

Moon Mission Final Preparations.

NASA's Gravity Recovery And Interior Laboratory (GRAIL) mission to study the
moon is in final launch preparations for a scheduled Thursday Sept. 8 launch
from Cape Canaveral Air Force Station in Florida.

GRAIL's twin spacecraft are tasked for a nine-month mission to explore Earth's
nearest neighbour in unprecedented detail.

They will determine the structure of the lunar interior from crust to core and
advance our understanding of the thermal evolution of the moon.

(Source:irts)

Astronomers Find Largest, Most Distant Reservoir of Water

Two teams of astronomers have discovered the largest and farthest reservoir
of water ever detected in the universe. The water, equivalent to
140 trillion times all the water in the world's ocean, surrounds a huge,
feeding black hole, called a quasar, more than 12 billion light-years away.

(Source:irts)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RADIO SCOUTING
http://www.scouts.com.au
http://www.scout.org/jota
http://www.international.scouts.com.au

CALLING FREQUENCIES
Please QSY off the calling frequency after establishing communication.

Australian voice calling frequencies:
3.650, 7.090, 14.190, 21.190, 28.590, 52.160

World CW calling frequencies:
3.570, 7.030, 14.060, 18.080, 21.140, 24.910, 28.180, 50.160

World voice calling frequencies:
3.690 & 3.940 MHz, 7.090 & 7.190, 14.290, 18.140, 21.360,
24.960, 28.390, 50.160

Calling frequencies for Slow Scan TV (SSTV):
3.630, 7.033, 14.227

Calling Frequencies for PSK31
14.070

SCOUTMASTER ARTHUR ANDERSON, W9WPH, STABBED TO DEATH ON HIKING TRIP

W9WPH, of Kokomo, Indiana, 76, bled to death after being stabbed in what authorities are calling "a senseless act."

W9WPH together with another man was leading two Boy Scouts, ages 11 and 12, on a required five mile nature hike on Bunker Hill, 60 miles north of Indianapolis.

He was a scouting volunteer of some 50 years and was an Assistant Scoutmaster of a troop based at Redeemer Lutheran Church in Kokomo.

Read more here

arrl.org/news/scoutmaster-arthur-anderson-w9wph-stabbed-to-death-on-hiking-trip

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RESCUE RADIO
IARU REGION 3
Emergency Centre of Activity (CoA) frequencies
3.600, 7.110, 14.300, 18.160 and 21.360 MHz

Southern Peninsular ARC are conducting an interesting exercise with the Peninsula Group of Fire Brigades on October 23 this year, attempting to link all stations back to the Rosebud Fire Station Divisional Command Centre by purely portable/self-contained means and outside of normal emergency service communications channels.

This will be a chance for SPARC members not involved in formal teams such as WICEN etc to test their skills as a "last resort" option by emergency services.

SOCIAL SCENE

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Sep 10 VK4 Sunshine Coast Hamfest SUNFEST at Woombye School of Arts 9am.

Sep 11 VK3 SADARC Comms Day at St Augustine's Hall Shepparton 10am.

Sep 16-18 VK4 NQ Amateur Radio Convention Date Set Townsville

Sep 23-28 R3 Region 3 ARDF Championship Bendigo VK3
http://r3.ardf.org.au/

Sep 30-Oct 2 VK4 Central Highlands Amateur Radio Club AGM at Camp Fairbairn
CONTACT Secretary Gordon, (vk4kal@wia.org.au)

Oct 23 VK3 Hamvention Ballarat Sunday.

Nov 20 vk5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society Hamfest
Goodwood Community Centre, Rosa St Goodwood at 0930.
Visit www.ahars.com.au for contact details

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15TH IARU REGION 3 CONFERENCE hosted by V.A.R.C. in Ho-Chi-Minh City, Vietnam.

JAN 23-FEB 17 YEAR 2012
World Radio Conference WRC-11 Geneva 23rd January TO 17th February 2012

FEB 12 VK3 CentreVictoria Hamfest, Kyneton Racecourse

FEB 26 VK2 CCARC WYONG FIELD DAY

MAY 3-18 VK5 YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

Nov 12 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST (ROSEBUD BY THE BAY)

Submitting news items

If you would like to submit news items for inclusion in the VK1WIA broadcasts, please email your item in text to nationalnews@wia.org.au

to submit audio read "how to submit items" in the weekly news page on wia.org.au

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being broadcast in the very next edition of WIA National News.

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Thanks to to our dedicated band of broadcast volunteers who utilize their time and equipment in bringing you this weekly broadcast.

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We strongly encourage membership in the Wireless Institute of Australia and participation in the activities of local clubs.

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821. The ARRL Letter for September 1, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-01 21:44:00 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20110901195319.6A8D72400C@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 4011
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There will be no ARRL Audio News <http://www.arrl.org/arrl-audio-news>
this week. The ARRL Audio News will return September 8.

==> PUBLIC SERVICE: HAMS FROM NORTH CAROLINA TO MAINE PROVIDE
COMMUNICATION SUPPORT BEFORE, DURING AND AFTER HURRICANE IRENE

Hurricane Irene -- the first major hurricane of the 2011 hurricane
season -- left extensive flood and wind damage along its path through
the Caribbean, the East Coast of the United States and as far north as
Atlantic Canada. Beginning on August 20 as then-Tropical Storm Irene
headed toward Puerto Rico, radio amateurs were already on alert.

Irene first made landfall in the US as a Category 1 storm on the
morning of Saturday, August 27 on North Carolina's Outer Banks. In
preparation, ARRL Emergency Preparedness Manager Mike Corey, W5MPC,
activated the ARRL HQ Emergency Response Team (HQERT). On Tuesday,
August 23, this team of ARRL HQ staffers began monitoring various nets
and providing support to the affected Field Organizations from W1AW,
the Hiram Percy Maxim Memorial Station. Two days later, the HQERT went
into active mode. Read more here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/hams-from-north-carolina-to-maine-provide-communica

tion-support-before-during-and-after-hurricane-ir>.

==> PUBLIC SERVICE: PUERTO RICO FEELS EARLY BRUNT OF HURRICANE IRENE

When Tropical Storm Irene formed on the evening of Saturday, August 20, the Puerto Rico Emergency Management Agency began to activate in preparation for the storm's approach. According to ARRL Public Information Officer Angel Santana, WP3GW, amateurs affiliated with the Cuerpo Voluntarios Radioaficionados (CVR) began to move throughout the island. In San Juan, CVR activated KP4CVR on the KP4CAR repeater. Hams also monitored 7.195 MHz for traffic and used 146.520 MHz for local contacts. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/puerto-rico-feels-early-brunt-of-hurricane-irene>.

==> KALAUPAPA, HAWAII IS SITE OF SECOND ARRL REMOTE VE TESTING

From the sunny shores of Hawaii's Kalaupapa Peninsula, -- located on the Island of Molokai -- ARRL Volunteer Examiners gave a remote ARRL VE session on the morning of July 25. Well, at least it was morning in Hawaii, but it was late in the afternoon at ARRL Headquarters. What made this VE session so special that it was only the second VE session to be administered via Internet video feed. The first video VE session -- and the first-ever VE session in Antarctica -- took place in October 2010.

Not only was this VE session special due to its location, only one VE was at Kalaupapa for the exam. "This is where the Internet video feed came into play," explained ARRL VEC Manager Maria Somma, AB1FM. "Joe Speroni, AH0A -- who lives in Honolulu but went to the site at his own expense -- was at Kalaupapa, but Bev Yuen, AH6NF, and Ray Moody, AH6LT, were in Honolulu and watching on video. We also had three VEs here at ARRL Headquarters watching via video feed: Penny Harts, N1NAG, Steve Ewald, NV1X, and Rose Anne Lawrence, KB1DMW. These three administer many VE sessions each year here at ARRL HQ." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/kalaupapa-hawaii-is-site-of-second-arrl-remote-ve-testing>.

==> ON THE AIR: HAVE SOME FUN IN THE ARRL SEPTEMBER VHF QSO PARTY

September is here, and that means the VHF bands have been getting a workout. "If you've never experienced the fun of VHF+ operating, the ARRL September VHF QSO Party, the weekend of September 10 is a great place to start," said ARRL Contest Branch Manager Sean Kutzko, KX9X. "With many HF radios now offering at least 6 meter SSB/CW capabilities -- and some offering 2 meters and 70 cm as well -- any amateur with a Technician class license or higher can experience long-haul communication on the VHF bands."

Kutzko explained that September is known for having good tropospheric propagation, as opposed to June, which is known for sporadic-E, or E-skip. "As the summer winds down, the sporadic-E season comes to an end and good tropo conditions flourish," he said. "A modest station -- say a 50 to 100 W SSB/CW transceiver and a small Yagi on 2 meters --

can, with favorable conditions, make QSOs several hundred miles away. If conditions are excellent, QSOs of more than 1000 miles are possible." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/have-some-fun-in-the-arrl-september-vhf-qso-party>.

==> ON THE AIR: SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS MARK TENTH ANNIVERSARY OF 9/11

In remembrance of those who died in the terrorist attacks that occurred on September 11, 2001, several Amateur Radio Special Event Stations are being planned. Click here <http://www.arrl.org/news/special-event-stations-mark-tenth-anniversary-of-9-11> for a list of those stations that have notified the ARRL that they will be on the air. The dates, times and frequencies of these Special Event Stations are listed as they were reported to the ARRL, and as such, are subject to change. This list will be updated as more Special Event Stations notify ARRL HQ of their plans. We recommend that you bookmark the web page and check back periodically for any additions.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "September Sun, blowing golden hair <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kJhUs9PQvHs>" Cook, K7RA, reports: Sunspot activity rose again this week, with the average daily sunspot number up nearly 18 points to 83.6, but the geomagnetic indices were down slightly. The high sunspot number for the week -- 121 -- was recorded on Wednesday, August 31. The last time the sunspot number was higher was on July 31 at 128 and August 1 at 130. The predicted solar flux is 110 on September 1-2, 105 on September 3, 100 on September 4-5, 95, 90, 90, 85, 90, 92 and 95 on September 6-12, 100 on September 13-15, and finally peaking at 105 on September 18-22. The predicted planetary A index is 5 on September 1-2, 8 on September 3-4, 5 on September 5-10, and then 8, 12, 8 and 5 on September 11-14. Look for more information on the ARRL website on Friday, September 2. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by Type O Negative's September Sun <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Type_O_Negative>.

==> HQ NEWS: ARRL HQ TO CLOSE IN OBSERVANCE OF LABOR DAY

ARRL Headquarters will be closed in observance of Labor Day on Monday, September 5. There will be no W1AW bulletin or code practice transmissions <http://www.arrl.org/w1aw-operating-schedule> that day. ARRL Headquarters will reopen Tuesday, September 6 at 8 AM Eastern Daylight Time. We wish everyone a safe and festive holiday weekend.

==> THIS WEEK ON THE RADIO

This week:

- September 2 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- September 3 -- Wake-Up! QRP Sprint; GCW Straight Key Party; Russian Radio WW RTTY Contest
- September 3-4 -- Colorado QSO Party; QCWA Fall QSO Party; All Asian DX Contest (Phone); CWops Mini-CWT Test
- September 4 -- DARC 10 Meter Digital Contest
- September 4-5 -- Tennessee QSO Party
- September 5-6 -- Michigan QRP Labor Day CW Sprint
- September 6 -- ARS Spartan Sprint

Next week:

- September 9 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- September 9-10 -- PODXS 070 Club Jay Hudak Memorial 80 Meter Sprint (local time)
- September 10 -- Ohio State Parks on the Air; Kulikovo Polye Contest
- September 10-11 -- Arkansas QSO Party; WAE DX Contest (Phone)
- September 10-12 -- ARRL September VHF QSO Party <http://www.arrl.org/september-vhf-qso-party>; ARCI VHF Contest
- September 11 -- SKCC Weekend Sprint
- September 14-15 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- September 9-11 -- ARRL Southwestern Division Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southwestern-division-convention-hamcon-2011>, Torrance, California
- September 11 -- ARRL Great Lakes Division Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/great-lakes-division-convention-findlay-hamfest>, Findlay, Ohio
- September 17 -- ARRL Roanoke Division Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/roanoke-division-convention-virginia-beach-hamfest>, Virginia Beach, Virginia
- September 24 -- ARRL Washington State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/washington-state-convention-35th-annual-spokane-hamfest>, Spokane Valley, Washington
- October 8-9 -- ARRL Florida State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/florida-state-convention-melbourne-hamfest>, Melbourne, Florida
- October 9 -- ARRL Connecticut State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/connecticut-state-convention-1>, Wallingford, Connecticut

- October 14-16 -- ARRL Pacific Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/pacificon-2011>, Santa Clara, California
- October 21-22 -- ARRL West Gulf Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-gulf-division-convention-texoma-hamarama>,
Ardmore, Oklahoma
- October 22 -- ARRL Iowa State Convention
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-computer-expo>,
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Message-ID: <20110902090004.D006833C51@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4012
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1777 - September 2 2011

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1777 with a release date of
Friday, September 2, 2011 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Amsat Oscar 51 appers to be failing as its
batteries die. Also, the ARRL says that it opposes a rules waiver
request filed by the Anchorage V-E-C, ham radio responds to Hurricane
Irene, international cooperation removes CODAR from the 24 MHz band and
a Dancing With The Stars judge teams with the BBC to produce a new
documentary on the sinking of the Titanic with an emphasis on Morse
code. All that and more on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number
1777 coming your way right now. (Billboard Cart Here)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: AO-51 MAY SOON BE LOST

The ageing Amsat Oscar AO-51 may appears to be a dying bird. This,
according to Control Station, Mark Hammond, N8MH reporting via the
Amsat News Service weekly newsletter. Amateur radio Newsline's Don
Carlson, KQ6FM, has the details:

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In an update on AO-51's health, Mark Hammond, N8MH, noted that since
the failure of the first cell on the six-cell battery, ground
controllers have been limited to simple commands for basic
configurations. Hammond said that ground control stations have evolved
basic control and management techniques for AO-51. These allow them to
set power levels manually, change uplinks and downlinks and the like.
However, features such as telemetry collection and the Bulletin Board
are not functional at this time. If the satellite resets during eclipse
these basic functions must be restored manually by a ground station.

And now ground stations have discovered there is a second cell in the
battery showing problems. Hammond says that the control team thinks
that battery will be the next cell to go. If that happens the probable
result that their limited manual mode of operation probably will no
longer be an option, and the mission might be considered over.

By way of historic background, AO-51 is the on-orbit name designation
of a Low Earth Orbiting microsat previously known as Echo. It was
launched on June 29, 2004 from Baikonur Cosmodrome, in Kazakhstan into
a sun synchronous low Earth orbit.

The AO-51 bird contains an FM repeater with both a 144 MHz and 1.2 GHz uplinks along with 435 MHz and 2.4 GHz downlinks. It also carries a digital subsystem that transmits telemetry on 70 cm and provides a complete PACSAT Bulliten Board System. It also features a 10 meter P-S-K uplink.

As an FM satellite, AO-51 has always been easily workable with gear as simple as an VHF/UHF dual band hand-held radio, as long as a station knows when the satellites footprint is within reach. Transatlantic contacts have been made without much effort, as long as the satellite is approximately mid-Atlantic so that the edge of the satellites footprint is within reach on either continent.

But since this past May, AO-51 has been experiencing problems with its batteries whiuch in turn as made the onboard repeater unavailable at times. While controllers are now back in basic control of the ageing bird, if one more of its batteries fail, Hammond seems to be saying that AO-51 could go perminantly Q-R-T

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Don Carlson, KQ6FM, in Reno, Nevada.

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AO-51 is currently operating FM with an uplink at 145.88 MHz on 2 meters and a 70 centimeter downlink at 435.15 MHz that uses left-hand circular polarization. Output power of the 70 centimeter transmitter is just under one watt. How long it will stay operational depends on how much longer its on boards batteries continue to function in orbital space. (ANS)

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RADIO RULES: ARRL OPPOSES ANCHORAGE LICENSE CREDIT INTERIM WAIVER REQUEST.

The American Radio Relay League has said no to a waiver request filed by the Anchorage Alaska VEC. One that asks that the FCC to grant a blanket waiver of Section 97.505 of the Commission's Rules and to grant exam credit for test elements previously passed to those radio amateurs whose licenses have expired and are beyond the two-year grace period for renewal.

The story really goes back to this past April when the Anchorage group filed a Petition for Rule Making designated RM-11629. As previously reported, that request asks the FCC to give permanent credit to radio amateurs for examination elements they have successfully passed. This would in effect create a license exam credit that would be valid throughout an amateurs' lifetime and in essence create a United States lifetime amateur license.

Then on July 6th, the Anchorage VEC followed up with its waiver request even though RM-11629 is still pending. After consideration, on August 11, the ARRL filed comments on the waiver request with the FCC, urging

the Commission to dismiss or deny it. The League says that its decision to oppose is based on the fact that if the FCC grants such a waiver request, it would quite obviously prejudge the outcome of RM-11629. And if for any reason RM-11629 is denied or dismissed, those who re-obtained licenses during the term of any temporary waiver would either have been given a privilege not afforded others or else they would have their reinstated or renewed licenses revoked at some later date. In other words, the ARRL filing says that should the Commission grant the temporary waiver, it is equivalent to granting of the underlying petition.

At this time, the ARRL says that it is not taking a position with respect to the merits of the original Anchorage VEC request in RM-11629. Rather, the League only opposes the waiver request because the Anchorage VEC has failed to justify the need for the interim relief that the waiver request seeks. (ARRL)

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RESCUE RADIO: HAM RADIO AND HURRICANE IRENE

Hurricane Irene is now a storm of the past and provided a good training and response exercise for hams from North Carolina through Canada. Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, is in the newsroom with what we know so far:

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Ham radio is always ready to respond in time of disaster. Its star really shines when all other means of communications fail. There were any hams involved in emergency communications who were well trained and fully equipped to respond when it was announced that hurricane Irene was headed to the United States eastern shores.

Initial forecasts said that Irene could make landfall as a Category 2 or even 3 storm with the potential of raving a good part of Florida and other South-East coastal states before working her way northbound. Already the narrow Cat Island in the southeastern Bahamas taken the full force of Irene, and by this time, ARES and other groups from Florida's northward through the Canadian Maritime Provinces were on stand-by alert for the devastation that many news outlets were predicting.

But with the exception of some localized problems, most of what weathercasters were predicting never happened. This was mainly because Irene did not follow initial storm track predictions. Instead of heading directly toward Florida the massive hurricane veered a few degrees to the East, sparing Florida, Georgia and South Carolina. Instead it made landfall in the outer barrier islands of North Carolina as a Category 1 hurricane having lost a lot of energy in the cooler mid-northern latitude waters of the Atlantic.

That said, the work of the Amateur Radio operators began many days before Hurricane Irene hit U.S. shores. That's when several support

networks were activated that relayed storm information to the National Hurricane Center in Miami.

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".W6LMJ for the Hurricane Watch Net listening for stations in the path of hurricane Irene; specifically interested in stations at this time who can report on wind conditions above 70 mph. Any station experiencing wind conditions above 70 mph please call now."

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As Irene's winds began hitting the East Coast, more hams came on the air to provide weather spotting information to the National Weather Service's Skywarn Program. The real time, ground level reporting allowed the weather forecasters to make more accurate predictions and issue warnings. This is because the Weather Service's Doppler radar cannot see what is actually happening at ground level and the reports from the ham radio observers were especially essential when tornadoes are possibly mixed into a hurricane's winds.

Several states including New Jersey and Vermont suffered significant damage, most from flooding. According to the ARRL, ham radio volunteers from surrounding regions were brought in at the request of Greene County, New York authorities. Greene County was one of the areas devastated by flooding following Irene. And as we go to air, radio amateurs are still aiding the American Red Cross relief efforts by providing technical expertise and working with the organizations communications staff.

One area where Irene did not impact in way hurricanes usually do was to emergency and personal communications. A report in the New York Times said that wireless phone networks held up well despite widespread losses of power. Many people who lost electric mains power and wired telephone service were able to continue to communicate using e-mail and social networks using battery-powered mobile devices.

Also, according to the FCC which activated its Disaster Information Reporting System, no 911 Emergency Response Center was out of service and that it had received no reports of public safety communications disruptions.

In this case one could say that most dodged the bullet, but only because Mother Nurture chose to downgrade Irene before she made landfall. If she had hit as a Category 3 hurricane with sustained winds between 111 to 130 mph, much of the communications infrastructure that survived Irene would more than likely have been blown away. That would have been the proverbial "when all else fails" scenario and ham radio communications personnel would be out there right now helping in relief operations and damage assessment as has been the case almost since the day that the service first began.

>From the newsroom in Los Angeles, I'm Bill Pasternak , WA6ITF,
reporting for the Amateur Radio Newsline.

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More on ham radio and hurricane Irene as details are made available.
(ARNewsline(tm) from various sources. Thanks to K3VR for providing
off-air audio.)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline,
heard on bulletin stations around the world including the KD1RJ
repeater serving Fairfield, Connecticut

(5 sec pause here)

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COMMEMORATING 911: TWO MORE CLUBS ANNOUNCE COMMEMORATIVE OPERATIONS

Two more amateur radio groups have announced 911 commemorative
operations. The Pentagon Amateur Radio Club whose call is K4AF says
that it will be operational on Saturday, September 10th and Sunday
September 11th to honor all those lost on September 11, 200. This,
with a special remembrance of the 184 people who lost their lives at
the Pentagon and on board American Airlines Flight 77. Further
information including QSL routing will be posted at www.k4af.org during
the event.

And the Northeast Wireless Radio Club will take to the airwaves on
Sunday, September 1700 to 2300 UTC using the call N2WC. This
commemorative operation will be in the High Frequency General class
bands on CW, SSB phone and several digital modes. No specific list of
operating times or precise frequencies is known as we go to air.

Already announced are groups in Pennsylvania, Nebraska and New York
City that are planning on-the-air commemorative operations. These are
listed on our website at www.arnewsline.org. (Via e-mail)

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ENFORCEMENT: HAMS AND TWO NATIONS PTT SUCCESSFUL IN REMOVING CODAR
FROM 24 MHz BAND

The Codar High Frequency Radar operating on on 24920 to 25080 kHz from
Northern Italy has gone off the air. This, thanks to a concerted
effort by individual hams and members of various European Intruder
Watch operations.

A release by IARU Region 1 Intruder Watch Coordinator DK2OM
specifically singles out DJ9KR, G4BOH and 9A5W for their assistance. It
also thanks the British telecommunications regulator Ofcom and the
German P-T-T for their direction finding assistance and other help.

DK2OM says that he and his group will keep an ear on this spectrum in the hope that the CODAR signal will not return. He calls the entire operation to rid the band of CODAR to be a further example for an effective cooperation. (IARU R-1)

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ENFORCEMENT: SOCAL UNLICENSED BROADCASTER ISSUED NOTICE OF UNLICENSED OPERATION IN THE AM BROADCAST BAND

The Los Angeles FCC Office has issued a Notice of Unlicensed Operation to Willie Walton, of Santa Clarita, California. This for his alleged operation of an unlicensed transmitter in the A.M. broadcast band. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, has the details:

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According to a release from the FCC, it received information that an unlicensed broadcast radio station on 1610 kHz was allegedly operating in the Los Angeles suburban community of Santa Clarita, California. On August 11th, agents from the Los Angeles office confirmed by direction finding techniques that radio signals were emanating from one Willie Walton's residence.

The Notice of Unlicensed Operation stated that Commission's records show that no license was issued for operation of a broadcast station on 1610 kHz at Willie Walton's location. The notice then went on to warn Walton that operation of radio transmitting equipment without a valid radio station authorization constitutes a violation of the Federal laws and could subject the operator to severe penalties. This includes confiscation of the transmission equipment, substantial monetary forfeitures, and even criminal sanctions including imprisonment.

Walton was told that he must cease the alleged unlicensed operations immediately. He was also given ten days from the release of the Notice of Unlicensed Operation to respond to it and instructed that he must also supplement his response to the on-scene notice issued to him on August 11th with any evidence that that shows he has the authority to operate granted by the FCC. Lastly the Notice of Unlicensed Operation stated that the Commission's staff will use all relevant material information before it, including that provided by Walton to determine what, if any, enforcement action is required to ensure his compliance with FCC's rules.

You can read the full FCC action in this matter on-line at tinyurl.com/scv-unlicensed.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I', Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, in Los Angeles.

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And before you ask: Yes, Santa Clarita is the home of Amateur Radio Newsline but until now we never knew an unlicensed broadcast station was operating less than 5 miles from our studio location. Obviously,

one never knows where these unlicensed broadcasters will show up. (FCC)

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RADIO LAW: 700 MHZ "4G" USE IN THE U.S./MEXICAN BORDER ZONE

The U.S. Department of State has posted a news item entitled, "Amendment to the U.S-Mexico Bilateral Agreement for the 700 MHz Band to Allow for the Timely Deployment of Fourth Generation Wireless Broadband Service."

The news release says that on July 28th, 2011, the FCC and the Mexican Ministry of Communications and Transportation concluded an exchange of letters to amend the 2006 Protocol for the 698 to 806 MHz band This, to increase the power limitations and facilitate increases in parameters when counterpart operators across the border from each other do not exist.

The release says that the changes were necessary to accommodate the advanced technologies employed for 4th Generation wireless broadband service. The amendment became effective this past July 28th. It applies to both sides of the entire common border area with more on the agreement posted in the at www.state.gov/e/eeb/cip/ (CGC)

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PUBLIC SERVICE: HAMS NEEDED AT BOSTON'S JIMMY FUND WALK

Steve Schwarm, W3EVE, in Boston says that hams are needed for the Sunday, September 18th for that city's Jimmy Fund Walk. Amateur radio operators who volunteer will be assigned duties on transport busses and at first aid stations. Deployment times run from 5 AM to 7 PM Eastern time and Steve notes that there are still some half day assignments for the morning.

All communications will take place 2 meter FM. An HT with a good antenna and extra batteries is what is needed for those assigned to the First Aid Stations. A mobile antenna is needed for the buses.

Drop an e-mail to w3eve at arrl dot net if you can help. Please be sure to put the words Jimmy Fund in the subject. (W3EVE)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: TAPR CALLS FOR NOMINATIONS TO ITS BOD

Three director positions on the Tucson Amateur Packet Radio board of directors are now open for nomination. The three positions that are up for election are currently held by Stan Horzepa, WA1LOU, Steve Bible, N7HPR, and Darryl Smith, VK2TDS. Nominations close with the call for nominations from the floor the Tucson Amateur Packet Radio Membership Meeting to be held on September 17th in Baltimore, Maryland. An online vote will then be held from September 24th to October 7th. To submit a nomination please takes your web browser to tinyurl.com/tapr-elect

(TAPR)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: ARRL & TAPR DCC SEPTEMBER 16 - 18 IN BALYTIMORE

And final preparations are in progress for the 30th Annual ARRL and Tucson Amateur Packet Radio Digital Communications Conference slated for September 16th to the 18th. This year's venue is the Four Points by Sheraton at B-W-I Airport in Baltimore, Maryland. More information on ths happening is on line at www.tapr.org/dcc. (TAPR)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: MR. AUDIO TO SPEAK AT THE UK NATIONAL HAMFEST

Some names in the news. The Radio Society of Great Britain says that ham radio's legendary Mr. Audio, Bob Heil, K9EID, will be attending the U-K's National Hamfest. There, he will be demonstrating his new Genesis and Elite microphones and providing one of his always well received lecture presentations.

The press release says that not only does K9EID make communications headsets but he was the person who brought proper sound reinforcement to many rock bands for stadium concerts as far back as the 1960's. It notes that K9EID is also the inventor of the famed 'Heil Talk Box' used by performer Peter Frampton on the song "Show Me The Way." (National Hamfest PRO)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: ZL3TY RECEIVES 2 METER DXCC NUMBER 69

Bob McQuarrie, ZL3TY, of Greymouth, New Zealand reports over the Zed-L VHF Contest Reflector that he is now the proud recipient of 2 meter DXCC certificate number 69.

ZL3TY notes that all but one of the QSOs was made by moonbounce. The lone exception was a meteor scatter QSO with VK0MT. Also that all but a few were made using WSJT digital mode. He says that WSJT has revolutionized VHF DXing and made EME possible for small stations such as his.

The certificate Bob received from the ARRL was dated June 22nd. What makes this rather special is that it's believed to be a first for New Zealand, for Oceania and possibly the entire Southern Hemisphere. (NZART)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: 2011 YHOTY WINNER KS3P ON THIS WEEKS RAIN REPORT

And Hap Holly, KC9RP, tells us that this week's Rain Report features a rather in-depth interview with 2011 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year, Kaitlyn Cole, KS3P. You can hear it right now on-line by

taking your web browser to www.therainreport.com. (KC9RP)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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THE CHANGING OF THE GUARD: NOTED BROADCAST ENGINEER EARL ARBUCKLE, K6EFA - S.K.

We have said this before and sadly we must say it once again. The changing of the guard in ham radio continues with word of the sudden passing of noted broadcast engineer Earl F. Arbuckle III, K6EFA, of Secaucus, New Jersey. According to a note from Kent Peterson, KC0DGY, in the early morning hours of Monday, August 29th, K6EFA was taking the trash out but failed to return. Shortly thereafter his wife found him face down on their driveway. While there is no medical confirmation yet, a heart attack is believed to be a possibility.

At the time of his passing, Earl Arbuckle was the Vice President of Engineering for Fox Television Stations group. This is the owned-and-operated stations division of Fox Entertainment Group, which is a part of the News Corporation. His responsibilities included strategic planning and execution of new technologies for the stations in the group. Under his direction, all Fox owned stations were converted to digital transmission and most also upgraded to high-definition studio news production. Just prior to his passing, Earl Arbuckle had worked through the weekend of August 27th and 28th on hurricane Irene contingencies for the Fox owned stations in New York City, Washington DC, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and Boston, Massachusetts.

Prior to 1996, K6EFA had been employed for 18 years by Tribune Broadcasting. 16 of these were spent at New York City's WPIX and 2 years as corporate engineering manager. He joined News Corporation in 1996 as Vice President of Engineering for American Sky Broadcasting where he was part of the core team that designed and built the huge Arizona digital broadcast center, later sold to EchoStar. In late 1997 he moved to the Fox Television Station Group where he began the digital transition. There he launched the first three Fox Television digital stations in 1998, and completed the remaining stations ahead of FCC deadlines.

Earl Arbuckle was a veteran of the US Navy, reaching the rank of Lieutenant. He was a registered Professional Engineer in the State of

New Jersey, an adjunct professor at Ramapo College of New Jersey as well as Chairman of the Mahwah Township Planning Board. He was also a Senior Member of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers and a member of the Society of Broadcast Engineers.

A native of southern California, Earl Arbuckle, K6EFA, held a Bachelor of Science degree in Engineering from the University of California at Irvine. He is survived by his wife Pat, his daughter Jennifer and his parents. At airtime memorial services were pending. (KC0DGY, others)

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HAM RADIO NEAR SPACE: EOSS TO LAUNCH 3 BALLOON CLUSTER ON SEPTEMBER 10

Edge of Space Sciences will be flying a rare three balloon cluster for NOAA on Saturday September 10th. The launch will take place at 6:50 a.m. Mountain Time from Windsor Colorado. These will be heavyweight payloads of up to twenty pounds flying NOAA Aircore gear. More information including technical data and frequencies is on-line at tinyurl.com/colorado-balloon

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: 2ND CALL FOR PAPERS FOR AMSAT SPACE SYMPOSIUM

A second call for papers for papers to be presented at the 2011 AMSAT Space Symposium has been issued by the events planners. Proposals for formal papers, symposium presentations and poster presentations are invited on any topic of interest to the amateur satellite community. A final copy must be submitted by October 1st for inclusion in the printed proceedings. The symposium is slated for Friday, November 4th through Sunday, November 6th at the Wyndham San Jose Hotel, in San Jose, California. Abstracts and completed papers should be sent by e-mail to n8fgv (at) amsat (dot) org. (N8FGV)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: NEXT CREW LAUNCH TO ISS MAY BE DELAYED

News reports on Friday, August 26th say that Russia may delay the next manned launch for the International Space Station. This, after an unmanned space vessel crashed into Siberia instead of reaching orbit to rendezvous with the ISS.

Interfax-AVN, the specialist military arm of the Interfax news agency, quoted a source in the rocket and space industry as saying that the planned September 22nd launch could be delayed. Hiis, to give engineering teams time to work out the precise cause of the crash of the Progress cargo vehicle. The Soyuz-FG booster that is due to take the astronauts into space uses the same third stage motor in the Soyuz-U rocket which failed to put the Progress spacecraft into orbit.

The planned return to Earth from the ISS of two Russians and an American astronaut on September 8th may also be delayed. One

possibility is to delay the landing from September 8th to September 22nd and the blast-off the Soyuz-FG from September 22nd to October 6th.

Current ISS residents Russians Andrei Borisenko, RW7LFG, Alexander Samokutyaev and American Ron Garan, KF5GPO had been due to return to Earth on a Soyuz TMA-21 capsule on September 8. Russians Anton Shkaplerov and Anatoly Ivanishin and American Dan Burbank were then due to fly to the ISS on a Soyuz TMA-22 capsule on September 22. (Published news reports)

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ON THE AIR: COLORADO 6 METER BEACON BACK ON THE AIR

Dave Clingerman, W6OAL, reports over the VHF reflector that the KA0CDN slash B Colorado 6 Meter Beacon was brought back on the air on Monday, August 29th. The new beacon hardware runs 50 watts output on 50.065 MHz to an older model HyGain 6 Meter omni antenna. The physical location of the beacon is just east of Denver near the intersection of Interstate 70 and I-225 in Maidenhead grid square DM-79OS. More information on the history of the Colorado Beacon can be found at www.rmvhf.org (VHF Reflector)

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DX

In DX, IC8ATA, will be active as 9H3AT from Malta through September 5th. His operation will be holiday style on the High Frequency bands, SSB only and a focus on 17 and 12 meters. QSL via his home callsign, direct or via the bureau. For more details is at www.mdxc.org/9h3at

JF2QNM will be active portable 9M6 from East Malaysia during the CQWW DX CW Contest November 26th and 27th. QSL via JF2QNM.

SQ8X has announced that the JX5O DXpedition to Jan Mayen Island has been successfully validated at the ARRL DXCC Desk and has received a DXCC credit. He also says that the JX5O log has been uploaded to Logbook of the World.

Germany's special event station D-R-16-B-E-N-E has been on the air since July 1st, and will continue through October 31st. This to celebrate the visit of Pope Benedict XVI to Freiburg at the end of September. Operations are from the club station D-K-Zero-F-R on 80 through 10 meters using SSB and PSK31. QSL via DL7BC.

Lastly, SP5DRH will once again try to activate Pigeon Island between October 8th to the 21st. His main target will be Europe on 160 meters plus 80, 15 and 17 meters. QSL via SP7DQR only. For more details and updates, watch www.sp5drh.com/h40

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THAT FINAL ITEM: DANCING WITH THE STARS JUDGE VISITS HAM RADIO CLUB IN IRELAND TO LEARN ABOUT THE MORSE CODE

Dancing With the Stars judge Len Goodman has paid a visit to Lisburn in Northern Ireland to learn about Morse Code. This for a new BBC documentary to be released in the spring of 2012. Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP, is here with the details:

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Len Goodman is well known for his appearances on the hit United States television competition series Dancing With the Stars and it's British counterpart known as Strictly Come Dancing. Now comes word that Goodman is in the midst of filming the three part video documentary for the British Broadcasting Corporation titled "Titanic and Me." The purpose of the new serirs is to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the sinking of the then newly minted luxury ocean liner.

For the sake of accuracy, Goodman wanted to learn about the Morse Code and how the radio operators on the Titanic may have use of it to summon help. So he turned to the Lagan Valley Amateur Radio Society, which is based just outside the town of Lisburn, Ireland and club member Jim Henry, GI0DVU. This, to teach him about the Morse code and how the radio operators on board the Titanic might have used it as the disaster unfolded.

At the time it went down, the Titanic was the worlds largest passenger liner. It sank on April 15th, 1912 while on its maiden voyage from Southampton, England, to New York City, after hitting an iceberg in the North Sea. 1,517 of its passengers and crew were lost.

The documentary that Goodman is a part of is expected to reach television screens in the United Kingdom in April of 2012. After that there's a likely chance for it to show up on an educational or adventure television network here in the United States.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Norm Seeley, in hot and dry Scottsdale, Arizona.

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The complete story on ham radios involvement in the three part BBC documentary series is on-line at tinyurl.com/titanic-tv. (Ulster Star, KL2A via Facebook)

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Jeff Clark, K8JAC, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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* PIC-a-STAR get-together at Milton Keynes

* RSGB Convention getting closer

Slovak radio amateurs are now allowed to use the entire 60m band, that's 5.2585 to 5.410MHz, instead of the previous allocation of a single channel on 5.260MHz. There are some caveats. Operations are allowed for experimental purposes with a maximum of 100 watts effective radiated power. Licenses for this are valid for only 1 year.

The RSGB Convention is just five weeks away and bookings are up on last year. There is a full programme of lectures for both day visitors and those spending the weekend at Horwood House near Milton Keynes. A programme of activities has also been arranged for partners not involved in the radio lecture. This year there are three top prizes in the DXpedition Fund raffle, an Icom IC-7410 HF/6m transceiver, a Kenwood TS-590S HF/6m transceivers and a Yaesu FT-450D transceiver. UK and US amateur radio exams will also be available at the RSGB Convention. The Foundation and Intermediate exams will be held on Saturday 8 October. The UK Advanced exam and US exams will be held on Sunday 9th. Those wishing to take the UK exams must book via the Exams Department at RSGB HQ on 01234 832700. Foundation or Intermediate examination candidates must contact Brian Reay, G8OSN via g8osn.rsgb@gmail.com or 01634 376516 so that their progress on practical assessments can be verified. US exams are held as walk-in sessions. The ARRL website gives you access to the question pool and Part 97 to download or read online at www.arrl.org. For details on the RSGB Convention and to book the remaining rooms go to www.rsgb.org/rsgbconvention.

The PIC-a-STAR is an SDR radio designed by Peter Rhodes, G3XJP, which was serialised in RadCom. It also appears in the RSGB Radio Communication Handbook. Milton Keynes ARS, in conjunction with the Milton Keynes Museum, invite all constructors of PIC-a-STARs to a one-day get-together. It takes place on Sunday 11 September from 11am to 4pm at the Milton Keynes Museum. Constructors of the PIC-a-STAR project are encouraged to bring their radios to the gathering and exchange ideas. Entry will be free, but it would be nice to leave a

small donation to the Museum. Constructors of other equipment designed by Peter are also welcome but the emphasis will be on the PIC-a-STAR project. There will be test equipment and an antenna available on the day. Further details and directions are available on www.radio-kits.co.uk/pic_a_star/event.htm.

The RSGB has learned with sadness of the death of Tony Sale, the man behind the Bletchley Park Colossus computer rebuild project. A remarkable and skilled man, he had a long history in engineering that encompassed robotics, radar and computing. He was MI5's principal scientific officer and later worked at the Science Museum. He helped create the Computer Conservation Society and, more recently, the National Museum of Computing at Bletchley Park, where his Colossus remains today. In January 2008 Tony Sale and Colossus were featured on the cover of RadCom. Castles And Stately Homes On The Air will be holding a UK & IRE Heritage event during the month of September to coincide with the European Heritage Month. This is an opportunity to access locations that may previously have been inaccessible or closed to the public. Details on activations appear on the CASHOTA website, www.cashota.co.uk. The group has also set the dates for CASHOTA's annual Castles weekend in 2012. The event will be held over two weekends on 18 and 19 May and 25 and 26 May. New and previous participants are encouraged to take part. More details can be found at www.cashota.co.uk.

The G5RP Trophy is an annual award to encourage newcomers to HF DXing. However, the award is not limited to youngsters or the newly-licensed: the HF DX bug can bite at any age, or after many years of experience on other bands. If you are an established HF DXer and want to recommend someone to be awarded the G5RP Trophy for 2011, now is the time to send in your nomination. Your nominee should be an up-and-coming HF DXer who has made rapid progress in the last year and has some real achievements to show, for example, a good total of new countries worked or some serious HF DXpedition activity. This prestigious award will be presented this year at the RSGB Convention on 7th - 9th October. Please send your nominations to Ian Greenshields, G4FSU, QTHR, or by e-mail to ian.greenshields@gmail.com, to arrive no later than Friday 23 September.

GB2RS recently learned that RSGB Life Vice President Pat Hawker MBE, G3VA, has been taken ill and is in hospital. He is expected to make a good recovery but may have to move to a nursing home. He says he is thinking of us all, but may not be able to return to the radio. Messages of support can be sent to him QTHR, from where they will be relayed.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

Today, 4 September, the Telford Hamfest is taking place at the Enginuity Museum, Coalbrookdale, Telford, TF8 7DU. Doors open at 10.30am and the usual traders will be present, This year there are a large number of radio valves for sale. The Bring & Buy will be

operating as usual. The lecturer will be Roger, G4ROJ, with his fascinating talk and demonstration of kites and balloons used as antenna supports. There are two sessions, 11am & 1pm. There is limited seating so be early. The organisers recommend that if you come to the Hamfest from the North, East or West, you should use the M54 and leave it at Junction 6. Enginuity is just 5 minutes from there. From the South, via Much Wenlock, take the Telford road. Turn off right for Ironbridge and then left up the hill to Coalbrookdale.

Next weekend, on Saturday 10 September, the Warrington Communications Market will be held in Warrington Indoor Market, Bank Street, Academy Way, WA1 2EN. Doors open at 10am and there is a multi- storey car park nearby. There is free entry to the event and there are cafes in market for refreshments. Trade stands are available from £10 per table with free parking below the venue for traders. Details from Patrick on 07581 545 671.

On Sunday 11 September, Torbay Annual Communications Fair takes place at Newton Abbot Racecourse, Newton Abbot, Devon TQ12 3AF. There will be trade stands, a Bring & Buy and an RSGB bookstall. Doors open at 10am and admission is £2. Details by e-mail to rally@tars.org.uk. Now for the news of special events

Several special event stations are being run to commemorate the 10th anniversary of the 9/11 attacks in the USA. ARRL reports that these include the Pentagon Amateur Radio Club, K4AF, from 1100UTC on Saturday 10 September until 0100UTC on Sunday 11 September.

Churches & Chapels On the Air takes place next weekend, 10 and 11 September, from 10am to 4pm. There will be several stations on the air, mainly 40 and 80m SSB with special event callsigns. The organisers particularly ask all amateurs to give the stations a call.

GB4CFV will be put on the air by members of the Friskney & East Linconshire Communications Club. Visitors are welcome to come and join them or call them on the air on 10 and 11 September at Church Farm Museum in Skegness. They plan be active on 2m FM and will be using PSK, SSB and CW on the HF bands.

Preston ARS will put GB1AVR on the air for Ackworth Vintage Rally on 10 and 11 September from Lanes Farm, Ackworth.

Throughout September, special event station 3Z176DORR will be on the air to commemorate German scientist Robert Dorr. The station will be QRV from Polish Flora & Fauna parks SPFF-025, 151, 200, 222, 261, 335, 336 and 337. Information can be found on qrz.com.

The Lithuanian amateur radio society, LRMD, is organising a number of special event stations to mark the 37th European Men's Basketball Championships. There are around 23 special calls, all LY37 plus one letter, active until 18 September. Full details, including Awards that can be achieved for working the stations, are in English at

www.LRMD.LT/basketball-2011-en.htm.

And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

ZS6AYU will be active as ZS6AYU/A25 from Botswana between 9 and 11 September. Operations will probably be on 10 through to 40m including 17 and 12m using CW only. QSL via ZS6AYU.

Members of the Wessex Contest Group will be active from the island of St Martin's, Isles of Scilly, using the club callsign MX0WCB, between 11 and 17 September. Activity will be mainly QRP on the 40, 20, 17, 15 and 10m bands. The team will use three FT-817 transceivers, a Clansman PR320 and an FT-897 as the main shack radio. QSL direct, by the Bureau, eQSL or via M0WAY.

K3GV/VY2 will be active mostly on 15m and 20m from Prince Edward Island, which is IOTA reference NA- 029, for one month starting on 1 September. QSL via K3GV either via the bureau or direct.

OZ/DF6FL, OZ/DL9ZE and OZ/DL5FF are working from Bornholm in SSB, CW and RTTY on 40-10m until 10 September. QSLs via their home calls either via the bureau or direct. Now the contest news

There are several contests active today, 4 September. The RSGB SSB Field Day finishes at 1300UTC on all bands from 3.5 to 28MHz; the exchange is signal report and serial number. The 144MHz trophy also runs until 1400UTC. The fifth and final 144MHz Backpackers' Contest takes place between 1100 and 1500UTC. For those unfamiliar with backpacker contesting, there are antenna and height restrictions in both sections.

The International Amateur Radio Union Region 1 Amateur Television International Contest takes place from 1800UTC on Saturday 10 September until 1200UTC on Sunday 11 September. Stations are encouraged to participate, or just look for increased amateur TV activity on the 70, 23, 13 and 3cm bands. Talkback is most likely to be found around 144.750MHz FM or 144.525MHz SSB. More information can be found on the British Amateur Television Club website www.batc.org.uk.

On 6 September from 1900 to 2130UTC the 144MHz UK Activity Contest takes place. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The 2nd 70MHz contest takes place on 11 September from 0900 to 1200UTC. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

And now the solar factual data for the period from the 22nd to the 28th of August, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on the 29th of August.

This week saw the return of the active regions from almost a month ago. The groups have decayed during their transit of the far side of the sun. Since their return, solar activity increased to low levels on the 22nd, 24th and the 26th, when only small strength C class solar flares

took place. Solar flux levels varied little day to day and averaged 104 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 28th was 97 units, that's one up on the previous week. X-ray flux units also varied little day to day and averaged B2.5 units. Geomagnetic activity was quiet every day; saying that, a weak coronal hole disturbance arrived on the 23rd but the Ap index only increased to an Ap index of 9 units. The average was Ap 6 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds increase to 470 kilometres per second on the 23rd and then gradually decline to 370 kilometres per second by the 28th. Particle densities remained low every day. Bz varied between minus 7 and plus 8 nanoTeslas on the 23rd, which was the most disturbed day, and significantly less on the quieter days.

And now the solar forecast. This week the quiet side of the Sun is expected to be looking our way. Therefore, solar activity is expected to be very low most days but the occasional C class solar flare could take place and lift solar activity to low levels. Solar flux levels should be around the mid 80's for most of the week. Today could be slightly unsettled but otherwise geomagnetic activity is expected to be at quiet levels for the rest of the week. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes are expected to be around 23MHz for the south and the 20MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be 10MHz. Paths this week to South Africa should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 28MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 22MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 1200 and 1600 hours UTC.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS Derby RAYNET Amateur Radio Group announces it has no social meetings this month as they are on RAYNET duties. Contact Martin, G7MKS, via email to contactus@derbyraynet.co.uk.

On Sunday 4 September Midland Amateur Radio Society is visiting Telford Hamfest. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 01214 229 787.

On Sunday 4 September South Birmingham Radio Society is running a club stand at Telford Hamfest. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Sunday 4 September Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is running Telford Hamfest at the Enginuity Centre, Coalbrookdale TF8 7DG. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Sunday 4 September Worcester Radio Amateurs Association is visiting the Telford rally. Details from Rich Moles, M0UVA, via email to secretary@m0zoo.co.uk.

On Monday 5 September Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is holding its AGM presentation of the G4MA Trophy in Pat Perkins' name by his sons. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Monday 5 September South Birmingham Radio Society is unpacking the trailer and putting the shack on the air. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Tuesday 6 September Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a junk sale. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 6 September Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club is having a construction night and holding its AGM. Contact Chris, M0MFP, on 01507 442 240.

On Tuesday 6 September Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a video evening. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Wednesday 7 September Lincoln Short-Wave Club is putting G5FZ on the air and preparing for National Hamfest. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Wednesday 7 September Midland Amateur Radio Society is holding an open night with training classes and putting the shack on the air. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 01214 229 787.

On Wednesday 7 September South Birmingham Radio Society is having a lecture in the main hall. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603. On Wednesday 7 September South Kesteven Amateur Radio Society is having an informal evening. Contact Nigel, M0CVO, on 01476 402 550.

On Wednesday 7 September Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting and is on the air. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday 8 September Salop Amateur Radio Society is holding a fox hunt. Details on the club website at www.salop-ars.org.uk.

On Thursday 8 September South Birmingham Radio Society is having training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Friday 9 September Coventry Amateur Radio Society is holding the 4th round of the G2FDC Trophy. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

On Friday 9 September South Birmingham Radio Society is having a construction evening. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Saturday 10 September Hinckley Amateur Radio Society is taking part in Churches on the Air with Mark, 2E0SBM. Details from John, M0JAV, on

07836 731 544.

On Saturday 10 September Lincoln Short-Wave Club is in the shack and holding Saturday Surgery. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND On Monday 5 September Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is on the air and preparing for Churches and Chapels on the Air. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Monday 5 September Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having a social evening and Foundation course taster session. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 5 September Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. Details on the web at www.tcars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 6 September Chester & District Amateur Radio Society is looking at the L/C meter project and having a presentation on the club website. Details from Barbara Green on 07957 870 770.

On Tuesday 6 September Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is discussing a new semi-permanent aerial to get the club on the air at Mytholmroyd. Contact Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341 317.

On Wednesday 7 September Denby Dale Radio Club is having an operating evening at Cartworth Moor using the new 60ft tower and antennas. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220 126.

On Wednesday 7 September Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is holding a fox hunt. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Thursday 8 September Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air and having a club night. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 07876 085 631. On Thursday 8 September South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having an antenna and propagation clinic with Ron, G3SVW. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Thursday 8 September Wakefield & District Radio Society is having a pie & peas evening at HQ, for which there is a £2 per portion charge. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563 117.

On Friday 9 September Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club commences its weekend event for Heritage Open Days at Whitehall Road Methodist Church. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Friday 9 September East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is on the air. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Friday 9 September Tynemouth Amateur Radio Club is having an overview of the IARU HF Contest 2011. Contact Bob, M6KLO, by email to mail@g0nwm.com.

On Saturday 10 September Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is participating in Churches and Chapels on the Air from 10am to 5pm.

Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Saturday 10 September Tynemouth Amateur Radio Club is taking part in Churches and Chapels on the Air from 10am to 5pm. Contact Bob, M6KLO, by email to mail@g0nwm.com.

On Saturday 10 September Wakefield & District Radio Society is running a Foundation exam and continuing its Advanced course. Details from David, G4CLI, on 07748 221 855.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND On Friday 9 September Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club commences its weekend Foundation course and exam. For more information send an email to cqmuarc@gmail.com.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday 6 September Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club evening. Details from Norman, on 07740 946 192.

On Thursday 8 September Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by Graham, GM8FFX. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663.

On Friday 9 September Borders Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on horizontal antenna VRPs by Ian, GM8IIO. More information from Danny, 2M0CDO, on 01890 882 850.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA On Sunday 4 September Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is having a breakfast meeting at the SSB Field Day site at Adversane. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816 684.

On Monday 5 September Braintree & District Amateur Radio Society is having a sale of unwanted items for BWFTB. For more information contact John, M5AJB, on 01787 460 947.

On Monday 5 September Burnham Beeches Radio Club is holding a fox hunt. Contact Dave, G4XDU, on 01628 625 720.

On Monday 5 September Felixstowe & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a net on 145.400MHz from 8pm. More information from Paul, G4YQC, by email to pjw@btinternet.com.

On Monday 5 September Southdown Amateur Radio Society is at Chaseley, making arrangements for the RCN SARS visit. Details from John, G3DQY, on 01424 424 319.

On Monday 5 September Surrey Radio Contact Club is having a talk on fox hunting by Terry Giles, G4CDY. Contact John, G3MCX, on 02086 883 322.

On Tuesday 6 September Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Tuesday 6 September Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on programming modern VHF/UHF rigs. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Wednesday 7 September Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a general meeting and a CW training session. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday 7 September Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by Rob Mannion on Practical Wireless • striding into the future. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Wednesday 7 September Southdown Amateur Radio Society is operating at the Hailsham shack. Details from John, G3DQY, on 01424 424 319.

On Wednesday 7 September Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on workshop electrical safety by Kelvan, M0KEL. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816 684.

On Thursday 8 September Bittern DX Group is having an informal meeting at Pinewood Park Leisure Club. Details from Linda, G0AJJ, on 01692 404 154.

On Thursday 8 September Edgware & District Radio Society is having a maps and atlases evening. More information from Mike, G4RNW, on 02089 500 658.

On Thursday 8 September Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a night at the shack. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564 242.

On Friday 9 September Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club is debugging the Soft Rock II Lite SDR wit Mike, M0BLP. Contact Ron, G3KBR, on 01223 501 712. On Friday 9 September Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a radio night. Contact Peter, G4AKG, on 01444 239 371.

On Friday 9 September Radio Society of Harrow is holding a mini field day satellite operation from 2pm at the Old Redding View Point Car park, Harrow Weald HA3 6SE. More information from Linda, G7RJL, on 02083 868 586.

On Friday 9 September Southdown Amateur Radio Society is having a SARS and RCN twinning weekend. Details from John, G3DQY, on 01424 424 319.

On Friday 9 September Wimbledon & District Amateur Radio Society is having a retrospective on the summer camp. Contact Andrew Maish, G4ADM, on 02083 353 434.

On Saturday 10 September Radio Society of Harrow is working amateur satellites at Old Redding from 2pm. More information from Linda, G7RJL, on 02083 868 586.

On Sunday 11 September Bittern DX Group is at the Ingworth Trosh. Details from Linda, G0AJJ, on 01692 404 154.

On Sunday 11 September Crawley Amateur Radio Club is hosting the annual Microwave Round Table. This is a day of demonstrations, presentations, equipment and component sales, all microwave related. Refreshments are

available and visitors are welcome.. More information from John, G3VLH, on 01342 714 402.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST On Tuesday 6 September West Devon Radio Club is having a natter night and club visits. Refreshments are available. Further information from Jules Cuddy, M1AGY, on 01752 291 588.

On Wednesday 7 September Cornish Radio Amateur Club is holding a committee meeting. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844 939.

On Wednesday 7 September Taunton & District Amateur Radio Club is installing the SteppIR Antenna with Rob Connett, G0WSC and Kelvin Marsh, M0AID. Contact William, G3WNI, on 01823 666 234 for more information.

On Wednesday 7 September Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on Linux by Tony, G0WMB. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Wednesday 7 September Trowbridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having an evening on VNA analysis by G0BBL. Details from Ian, G0GRI, on 01225 864 698, evenings and weekends.

On Thursday 8 September South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is attempting to contact GB2BLE on Lundy Island. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

On Thursday 8 September Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk, 20 Days to Christmas Island T32C by Tony, G4LDL. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750. On Thursday 8 September Yeovil Amateur Radio Club is building a project with G3PCJ. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk.

On Friday 9 September North Bristol Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on repeaters by Dr Tony Hawker, G4CJZ. More information from Dick on 01454 218 362.

On Friday 9 September Torbay Amateur Radio Society is holding a pre-rally meeting. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

On Saturday 10 September Appledore & District Amateur Radio Club is running a special event station at Arlington Court. Contact Brian Jewell, M0BRB, on 01237 473 251 for more information.

On Saturday 10 September South Bristol Amateur Radio Club's GB2BLE crew returns. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

NEWS FOR WALES We start with advance notice of a D-Star digital workshop that will take place on 13 November in Cardiff. The one-day event is at County Hall, Atlantic Wharf, Cardiff, from 10am until 5pm. It will cover such things as basic D-Star, radio programming, repeaters and reflectors. Volunteers will even program your radio for you. For more information email dave.2W0RUH@ntlworld.com.

On Monday 5 September Dragon Amateur Radio Club is holding a junk sale.
More information from Stewart Rolfe, GW0ETF, on 07833 620 733.

On Tuesday 6 September Wrexham Amateur Radio Society is having a quiz.
More information from Patrick, 2W0HUU, on 07947 701 927.

824. NZART Headquarters Infoline 237 addendum - Frequency Measuring Contest POSTPONED

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-04 09:08:35 UTC
From: ZL1AMW <infoline@nzart.org.nz>
Message-ID: <4886BF756EDD4954A0499EAA0483166A@AlanLaptop>
Source record: 4014
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Doug Gorman Frequency Measuring Contest Monday POSTPONED

John ZL4JY apologies but for reasons beyond his control the contest will be run on Monday 12th September 2011 at 2100 NZST one week later than advertised.

825. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 4th September 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-04 20:00:13 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20110904200003.912EA33C9A@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4015
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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2 Metres Counties Contest

The IRTS Autumn 2 metres counties contest was held on Sunday last, 28th August. The contest was reasonably well supported, although once again there were relatively few Dublin stations on the air - perhaps they were all in Croke Park?

Given that a good QTH can make a big difference on two metres, there are real advantages in heading for the hills for this contest. We heard Seamus GI4SZW on Slieve Gullion, Co. Armagh, David EI7GEB was on Mohercrom in Cavan, Joe EI7GY returned to his favourite spot on the Slieve Blooms in Laois, Jamie 2I0MFB operated from the Carnmore Viewpoint in Co. Fermanagh, the Shannon Basin Club were on Leitrim's Slieve Anierin, while Anthony EI2KC operated portable from Bellewstown Hill in Meath.

Band conditions were quite variable, which was most noticeable on FM. This encouraged some of the contestants to focus on SSB, especially in the later part of the contest.

As usual, the contest manager looks forward to receiving the logs from all the participants as soon as possible. The deadline for submission of logs is 27th September.

Mayo Radio Experimenters Network

The Mayo Radio Experimenters, using the call sign EI7MRE/P, activated the Blacksod lighthouse, IE0008, which is sited on the north west coast of Mayo, on Sunday August 21st for the International Lighthouse/Lightships On The Air event. This was the first time that this lighthouse was activated for the occasion and the first lighthouse the club has activated. Approximately 250 contacts were made into 22 countries and 6 UK and Dutch lighthouses were worked. Best DX was Japan, Indonesia and Phillipeens. North America was prominent too with limited openings to South America. The bulk of the contacts were with stations in Germany and Italy.

Plans are well underway for the 2011 Mayo Rally will be held on Sunday Nov 20th in The Welcome Inn Hotel, Castlebar. The Rally Director is

Padraic Baynes, EI9JA. More details about the club and its events can be found on the web at ei7mre.org

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Licence Examination

The next theory examination for the Harmonised Amateur Radio Examination Certificate (HAREC) will be held on Friday, 14th October next at 2.00 p.m. in the ComReg offices in Dublin. Full details, including entry procedure and examination fee, are available at www.irts.ie/exam

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Cashota

As part of the European Heritage Open days that are held throughout September, Cashota - Castles and Stately Homes On The Air will be holding a month long award event - UK & Ireland Heritage Month. Any individuals, clubs or groups can activate locations, throughout September, by registering at www.cashota.co.uk for the UK and www.cashota-ireland.org for Ireland, with all details of the event to be found there as well. Participants may register up until the end of September to participate.

AREN Activities

Last Sunday, August 28th, saw approximately 4300 cyclists take to the roadways around Waterford County covering three different routes. This year AREN was asked to assist in tracking the "Tail" of the 90k and 160k routes for the purposes of assisting with the logistics of deploying ambulances. There was approximately 4300 cyclists on Sunday and 1000 on Saturday. On the Sunday there were 4 Casualties transported by Irish Red Cross ambulances to hospital, 4 dealt with in the Dungarvan First Aid post, and 28 medical assistances performed. Once our primary task was complete, as a secondary task we were asked to 'fill-in' any communications black-spots that arose. AREN was also able to provide a radio communications link to SEMRA was a bonus as far as the served agency was concerned. VHF communications were operational at 09:05 and HF (80m) operational at 10:25. Many thanks to Francis, EI5GOB and John, EI7IG for their assistance on the day.

North Cork Radio Group

The North Cork Radio Group is pleased to announce their second annual rally and electronics fair at the Blarney Golf Resort, Tower, Co Cork. on Sunday September the 11th 2011.

The doors open to the public at 11.30 and the rally will run throughout the afternoon. The usual traders will be on hand with some very tasty bargains, South East Communications, Long Communications and JBT

Trading.

The Hotel are also offering room deals for the rally a Room Only from 59 and Double Room inc B&B: 79 Please Contact the hotel directly for room bookings on Tel: +353 21 4384477.www.blarneygolfresort.com

Small traders are very welcome but it essential that they contact the events organiser Liam EI7GTB, Tel: 086-3357100 Email:ei7gtb/ at /gmail/ dot/com as soon as possible.

Further details can be found via the group's website, www.ei1nc.com.com

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DX News

Marko S55EI will be in Morocco until 20 September and will be active as CN2EI. He will be on 40, 6 and 2m. QSL to his home call.

Gab HA3JB has renewed his Egyptian licence and plans to be active as SU/HA3JB from now until the end of November. He will be active all bands 160-10m using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK and possibly some SSTV.

Ron WB2GAI is returning to the island of Crete for the fourth time and will be QRV as SV9/WB2GAI/P until the end of September. He will operate CW only on 80-10m. QSL info is via the home call.

Harry 7Q7HB is on the air again from Malawi until 23 November. He will be as active as possible but is subject to power cuts. QSLs are available via G0IAS (only direct).

Jan OK1XD will be in Liechtenstein on holidays until 10 September. Look for him operating as HB0/OK1XD mainly RTTY and PSK31. There will also be some SSB and CW activity. QSL via the bureau to his home call.

Vanuatu DXpedition

A team of 8 amateur radio operators from Australia and the USA will be activating YJ0VK from Port Vila on Efate Island between September 30th and October 12th. Earlier updates indicate that the team will operate with 3 stations on bands from 160-10m, using CW, SSB and RTTY / PSK31. They do not have plans to activate 6m. The YJ0VK team has obtained authorization to operate on 60m.

Special Event Stations mark tenth anniversary of 9/11 The ARRL reports that in remembrance of those who died in the terrorist attacks that occurred on September 11, 2001, several Amateur Radio Special Event Stations are being planned. The Pentagon Amateur Radio Club, K4AF, will be on the air 7 AM-9 PM Saturday, September 10 (1100-0100 UTC, Saturday, September 10 through Sunday, September 11).

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 28th-August, through Sunday, 4th-September there were 200 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5Z, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A3, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J7, J8, JA, JT, JW, JY, K, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T32, T5, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VP2E, VP5, VP8, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD9, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3A, MONACO. Lucky, IZ7EVZ, will be active as 3A/IZ7EVZ from September 7-10th. Activity will be 160 and 80 meter SSB. QSL via his home callsign.

9H, MALTA. There have been reports that Martti, OH2BH, will be active as 9H3BH from Santa Venera, Malta (EU-023, MIA MM-001, WLOTA 1113) during

the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th). QSL via OH2BH. Check out Martti's QRZ.com page at: http://www.qrz.com/db/9H3BH

9M0, SPRATLY ISLANDS. Members of the Malaysian Amateur Radio Transmitter Society (MARTS) are planning a "2012 Project" to activate Pulau Layang Layang (AS-051). The DXpedition is expected to be during the first two weeks of April 2012. The team leader is Neoh/9M2CLN, with support by Tack/JE1CKA and the 9M4SDX Team <http://island.geocities.jp/layang9m4sdx/sub1.html>.
The coordinator is Tex, 9M2TO. More details should be forthcoming.

A5, BHUTAN. Operators Andy/UA3AB (A52AB), Ralph/K0IR (A52IR), Paul/W8AEF (A52PP), Pat/W0BM (A52PC) and Glenn/W0GJ (A51B), along with their wives, will be in Bhutan between October 25th and November 1st. In the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th), look for A52IR on 75m, A52PC on 40m, A52PP on 20m, A52AB on 15m and A51B on 10m. They will be on other bands/modes outside of the contest. QSL via their home callsigns.

DX0, SPRATLY ISLANDS. The DX0DX DXpedition to Thitu Island (AS-051) planned for 2012, is now "PERMANENTLY CANCELED". For DX0DX refunds, including refunds to DX Foundations etc. -- Please E-mail chris@vk3fy.com

EA8, CANARY ISLANDS. Luis, EA8AY, from the Island of Tenerife (DIE S-012, WLOTA 1276), announced that he will be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via LoTW. Visit his Web site at: http://www.ea8ay.com/ed8a

EF8, CANARY ISLANDS. Look for EF8M from Santa Maria de Guia, Las Palmas Gran Canaria (AF-004, DIE S-005, WLOTA L 0969), to be on the air during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. Operators will be Valery, RD3A. QSL via UA3DX.

HK, COLOMIA. Members of the DXColombia Amateur Radio Club (DXARC) will activate the "Jumanji Contest Station" as HK1NA during the 2011 CQWW RTTY Contest (September 24-25th) as a Multi-Multi entry. Operators mentioned are Sal/HK1T, Luis/HK1W, Roberto/HK1AA, Camilo/HK3TU, Jaime/HK1N and Jorge/HK1R. QSL via K6IPM. Visit the DXARC Web page at: http://dxarc.org

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-024. Kan, JE1SCF, a member of the "Tokyo Dental College ARC" will be active as JE1SCF/JR6 from Yaeyama Island between October 6-8th. The main purpose of his visit is to establish and provide medical/dental care to the islands, so activity will be limited to his spare time. QSL via his home callsign.

AS-100. Members of the "Holyland DX Group" will be active as 4X5A from Akhziv Island (WFF 4XFF-001) between 0700z Friday, October 21st, and 1200z Saturday, October 22nd. Operators mentioned are Jan/4X1VF, Art/4X4DZ, Yulik/4X6HP, Mark/4Z4KX, Reuven/4Z5FI and Ros/4Z5LA. Activity will be on 40-10 meters usng CW and SSB.
They will have two stations on the air using vertical antennas.
QSL via 4Z5LA.

EU-172. Operators Heiko/DG0OGM, Dieter/DK1AW, Lutz/DL3ARK, Peter/
DL4AMK and Mar/DL5ASE will be active as OZ/homecall from
Helnaes Island, Denmark, between September 24th and October
1st. Their activity will also include activating a new light-
house (WLOTA 3159). Activity will be on 160-10 meters using
CW, SSB, RTTY and BPSK. QSL via their home callsigns, direct
or by the Bureau. For more information, visit:
http://www.dxclub.net

EU-189. Once again a Belgian expedition team will be sailing to Rockall
Island at the end of September. Operators mentioned as of
press time are: Patrick/ON4HIL, Theo/ON4ATW, Henk/ON4AHF,
Karel/ON5TN and Rudi/ON7YT. Three of these operators have
been at, not on, Rockall Island in May 2009. The team will
set sail aboard the "Commandant Fourcault" on September 23rd,
for a 4 day voyage to Rockall. If all goes as planned, they
will be on the air as MM0RAI around September 27th or 28th.
Please keep in mind that heavy seas or bad weather can delay
the operation! QSL via ON4ATW (LoTW, by the Bureau or direct.
Please visit their Web site for details and updates at:
http://www.rockall.be

EU-189. (Update) A team of four highly experienced IOTA activators
are planning to operate from the extremely rare and dangerous
Isle of Rockall possibly between the end of May or the beginning
of June 2012. A new Web page is now online with operator bios,
QSL info, picture gallery and history about Rockall, at:
http://www.eu189.com
The team is looking for funds to help offset some of this
expense. Significant contributors will be added to their
QSL card. To donate, you can use paypal at the above Web
page.

SA-026. Members of the Araucaria DX Group will be active from the PT5T
contest station PT5T on Santa Catarina Island during the 2011
WAE SSB Contest (September 9-10th). Operators mentioned are
Atilano/PP5EG, Evan/PP5NZ, Peter/PP5XX, Rodrigo/PY2KC and
Luciano/PY5KD. QSL via K3IRV.

J2, DJIBOUTI. Freddy, F5IRO, who has been active as J28RO since July 2010,
is planning to be active in the CQWW DX RTTY Contest (September 24-25th)
as a Single-Op entry. He is expected to stay here until July 2012. His
normal activity will be on the HF bands using CW, SSB and the Digital
modes. His QSL Manager is F8DFP. QSL direct (w/SAE + valid IRC • PLEASE
NO MONEY AT ALL), or by the French REF-Union Bureau. The direct cards
without the above mentioned will be answered by the Bureau. For updates
and more info, visit his Blog at: http://j28ro.blogspot.com

J6, ST. LUCIA. Bill, K9HZ, will once again be active as J68HZ from
Labrelotte Bay, Castries, St. Lucia (NA-108, WLOTA L-1336) between
November 19th and December 3rd. Activity is usually on 80/40/20 meters
using CW and SSB. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 3550, 7050 and 14050 kHz

SSB - 3770, 7155 and 14155 kHz
He also suggests to watch 40 or 20 meters between 1600-2400z daily.
QSL via his home callsign.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (September 5-11th)....
Sep 05 HN SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS
Sep 06 HN --------------------
Sep 07 HN BN - Below Normal
Sep 08 HN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Sep 09 HN LN - Low Normal
Sep 10 AN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Sep 11 AN DIS - Disturbed
VDIS - Very Disturbed

GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

LY37, LITHUANIA (Special Event). The following special event stations have been activated since August 31st, by the members of the Lithuanian Amateur Radio Society (Lietuvos Radijo Megeju Draugija - LRMD) and will continue to be on the air until September 18th. Activity is to celebrate the 37th European Men's Basketball Championship in Lithuania. It is a big event in Lithuania where basketball is its most popular game. For details on the event, see: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/EuroBasket_2011
Special event stations and their operators are:
LY37A - LY2MM LY37M - LY2KM LY37V - LY3V
LY37B - LY2GW LY37N - LY1N LY37W - LY5W
LY37C - LY2CV LY37O - LY5O LY37X - LY3X
LY37E - LY3NX LY37P - LY2BH LY37Y - LY5Y
LY37F - LY1FW LY37Q - LY4Q LY37Z - LY2KZ
LY37G - LY1G LY37R - LY3P
LY37J - LY2J LY37S - LY2QT
LY37K - LY1K LY37T - LY1CT
LY37L - LY2BOK LY37U - LY3UE

For updated information about the special event stations' operations on the air, see: http://www.lrmd.lt
Also, rules to earn a special award and a special silver commemorate medal are available at: http://www.lrmd.lt/basketball-2011-en.htm

PACIFIC DXPEDITION TOUR (3D2 and C2). Bill, VK4FW, co-leader of the upcoming DXpedition to Fiji (3D2) and Nauru (C2), informs OPDX that Eric, VK4NEF, has now committed to join the DXpedition. The operators now are Jay/K4ZLE, Art/NJ7N, Tim/NL8F, Eddie/VK4AN, Eric/VK4NEF, Bill/VK4FW and Julian/W5SL. Bill states (edited), "All is on track for the operation to begin late on October 25th, from Fiji until November 8th, followed by Nauru from November 10th through to December 6th. The 'Online QSL Service' is set up at <www.vk4fw.com/oqrs-php>. However, it is

important that people do not use it before we get back so as not to
overload the system causing mailbox failure. We would like to thank
those who have already supported us and remind all that donations no
matter how big or small can be sent via paypal to dxpedition@westnet.com.au
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PJ7, SINT MAARTEN. Masa, K1GI, will be active as PJ7I from Sint Maarten
(NA-105) between November 24-28th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters
using a FT-450 w/500w amplifier into a Hexagonal beam (20-10m) and a
Quarter Lambda vertical (80/40m) antenna. QSL via JG2BRI. The PJ7I Web
page is available at: http://www.qsl.net/pj7i
A Blog page is available at: http://pj7i.blog.fc2.com

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....................
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated September 4th)

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3Z176DORR via SP2FAP II0ITA via IQ0RM OH1W via OH1FEQ
4T100MP via 4T100MP II2LOM via IQ2LZ OM8MEDZEV via OM8APA
5H3CMG via ZR6CMG IR2LV via IK2AGN OY1OF via M0URX
5R8UI via IZ8CCW J8/PE1IGM via PA3C OZ/PD2DX via PD2DX
9H3AT via IC8ATA JW2PA via LA2PA PP2/DL3SEZ via DL3SEZ
CN8KD via EA5XX KP4QY via NP3O R300ML via RN1ON
CU5/CU3EJ via CU3EJ LX/PA1AW via PA1AW S550ACP via S59ACP
DT0DWAC via HL0KHQ LX/PA3EWP via PA1AW SN0W via SP2KDS
EG1SDC via EA1AUM LX/PA7FM via PA1AW SV9/WB2GAI/P via
WB2GAI
EG2SDC via EA1AUM LX/PA9JO via PA1AW TA4/RZ3DJ via RZ3DJ
EG3SBD via EA3URS LY37A via LY2MM TK5UX via F5MUX
EG5SDC via EA1AUM LY37C via LY2CV TM6M via F4DXW
EG7MJ via EA7NL LY37EB via LY3BY TM44FF via F-Bureau
(only)
EG7SDC via EA1AUM LY37LY via LY5A TM95BV via F6KUP
EG8RHG via EA8CPE LY37M via LY2KM TX8GN via FK8GN
EG9SDC via EA1AUM LY37O via LY5O UF6VG via R3DO
EI/EO18IKN via US6IKN LY37S via LY2QT UM8LA via RW3RN
EM2G via UR7GO LY37T via LY1CT V5/DF2UU via DF2UU
ER0I via Y08WW LY37V via LY2FN V5/DF3GY via DF3GY
ER0UB via UT2UB LZ1794MAB via LZ1KZA V5/DL2GAG via DL2GAG
FO/JA3EZJ via JA3EZJ N0S via AB0S V55V via DJ8VC
HB60RF via HB60RF OE50EFA via OE5HFM V85TX via W3HNK
II0IADU via IW0HP OH0HG/2 via JA1HGY ZL6RWC via ZL1VK

NEW QSL MANAGER. Ed, PY4WAS, President of the CWJF, reports that the
CWJF GROUP (PY4KL - <www.cwjf.com.br>) is the new QSL Manager for
PP8ZAC station, and now has the logs for 2009/2010/2011. This station
is the only CW operation in the state of Amazonas (PP8), one of the
most difficult states of Brazil to contact, located in the northern
part of the country, and operating near the border with Colombia (HK).

K6VVA/KL7 QSL STATUS. Fred, N6AWD, has reportedly received the QSL cards from the printer and has started sending out the K6VVA/KL7 QSL cards for the July 22-25th, NA-242 IOTA DXpedition.

ST0R QSL CARD. For those who may not have seen the ST0R QSL card, go to: http://www.dxfriends.com/SouthernSudan2011/qsl.php

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: CE0Y/I2DMI, F6HKA, G3VMW, HA1ZH, IS0GQX, JX5O, LZ1670SWS, MD0CCE, OK1CF, ON4AEK, PJ2X, R7DX, RI1ANC, S58T, TK/F8DZY, V31UB, VU4PB, XE2X and YS3CW

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: FO/OH1RX, FP/VA2WA, N4SF/VP9, TJ3IC and YS3CW

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: NONE REPORTED THIS WEEK!

SI9, SWEDEN (Special Event). Special event station SI9AM from the King Chulalongkorn Memorial in Ragunda, Sweden, the largest Thai Pavilion in the world outside Thailand, will be active between September 8-13th. Operators will be Axel/DL7ULF and Peter/DL7VMM. They plan to be an entry in the WAE DX Contest (September 10-11th). Outside of the contest, activity will be on 160-10 meters. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1817, 3517, 7017, 10117, 14017, 18077, 21017, 24897 and 28017 kHz
SSB - 1840, 3760, 7060, 14210, 18160, 21310, 24960 and 28510 kHz
FM - 145.550 MHz and repeater RV49 - 145.612 MHz
QSL via SM3CVM, direct or by the Bureau. For more information, visit the SI9AM Web page at: http://www.si9am.se

SV9, CRETE. Luc, ON6DSL, will be active as SV9/ON6DSL/P from Crete (EU-015, GIOTA KRS-005, MIA MGC-005, WLOTA 1400) between now and September 9th. Activity will be holiday style, QRP with a FT817 into a Inverted V, on 40/20/17/15 meters SSB. Also, look for him to activate some summits for the SOTA award while in the area. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau (preferred).

T6, AFGHANISTAN. Eric, K9GY, was active as T6MO from Bagram Airfield in Afghanistan this past week. He describes Bagram as "The O'Hare (Chicago airport) of Afghanistan!" He says being there is like living next to the runway of a busy airport. He is expected to leave here and be active as T6LB from FOB (Forward Operation Base) Shank, Loghar Province, Afghanistan. He hopes to find a used ICOM 7000 and will be purchasing a sloper antenna from AES. Also, look for him to be in contests. QSL via K9GY (USA: SASE [no return postage, no return QSL]--- Outside USA: SAE + 1 USD or SAE + 1 IRC [if you don't have both then no return QSL]). He will upload to the ARRL LoTW and ClubLog periodically.

V6, MICRONESIA. Operators Sho/JA7HMZ (V63DX) and Kei/JA7GYP (V63T) will be active from Pohnpei Island (OC-010) between October 3-8th. Activity will be on 40-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via their home calls-igns.

VP8ORK PICTURE BOOK AVAILABLE. Nodir, EY8MM, has put together a picture book of photos from the 2011 VP8ORK South Orkney Island DXpedition. Book is around 200 pages. To preview, go to:
http://www.blurb.com/bookstore/detail/2447641

YASME FOUNDATION PRESS RELEASE (From Yasme Secretary Kip Edwards, W6SZN).
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE -- August 29, 2011, Jackson Hole, Wyoming): "Ethiopia
came back on the air May 30, 2011, with the re-opening of the Ethiopian
Amateur Radio Society station ET3AA. Professor Heiko Schroeder, head of
the technical faculty of the University of Addis Ababa and PB2T, Hans
Blondeel Timmerman, President of IARU Region 1, cut the ribbon in a
reopening ceremony. The Board of Directors of The Yasme Foundation became
aware that 25 club members were scheduled to take the amateur radio license
examination in late July and that the fee for taking the exam was about
one month's salary in Ethiopia. Accordingly, the Board voted unanimously
in favor of a grant to cover one-half of the examination fees for all 25
applicants, the remaining one-half having been previously committed from
the Radio Society of Great Britain. Yasme Vice-President and Director
Fred Laun, K3ZO, was instrumental in making possible this grant.
The Yasme Foundation is a not-for-profit corporation organized to conduct
scientific and educational projects related to Amateur Radio, including
DXing (long distance communication) and the introduction and promotion of
Amateur Radio in underdeveloped countries. For additional information about
The Yasme Foundation, visit our website at <www.yasme.org>.
Wayne A. Mills, N7NG, President
The Yasme Foundation"

YT16/YU16, SERBIA (Special Event). The Amateur Radio Union of Serbia
(SRS) is hosting the 16th IARU WORLD ARDF Championships 2012. ARDF is
the abbreviation for "Amateur Radio Direction Finding". In celebration
of the Championship, look for the following special event stations to
be on the air through now and September 30th 2012:
YU16ARDF - QSL via YU1FJK YU16IARU - QSL via YU0U
YT16ARDF - Qsl via YU1FJK YT16IARU - QSL via YU1EA
For more details about the "16th IARU WORLD ARDF Championships 2012",
visit the Web pages at: http://www.ardf2012.org
http://www.facebook.com/pages/16th-ARDF-World-Championships-2012/19416454726
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ZA, ALBANIA. Tevfik, TA1HZ, will be active as ZA1TC from Durres between
September 7-14th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using a Kenwood TS570D,
FD-4 Multi-Band Windom antenna and 80m dipole. Operations also include
an entry in 2011 WAE DX SSB Contest. Please be patient, as this will be
his first solo trip. QSL via the instructions on QRZ.com.

ZL4/ZL6/ZM, NEW ZEALAND (Special Event). Look for some New Zealand
amateurs to replace their ZL prefix with a ZM prefix throughout September
and October, in celebration of the Rugby World Cup (September 9th-October
23rd). Additional special event stations will and are already on air. Look
for ZL4RUGBY (QSL Manager/Operator Paul/ZL4PW) to be on the air through
October 31st. Also, look for ZL6RWC, which is operated by various members
and friends of the Papakura Radio Club, to be on the through October 31st.

QSL ZL6RWC via ZL1VK, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW. Check QRZ.com for
more details about both stations.

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new
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following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE
OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
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Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�bscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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3A, MONACO
3A/IZ7EVZ will show up from Monaco only in SSB on 160m and 80m from
Sep 7-10. QSL via homecall.

A2, BOTSWANA
Gerard,A25/ZS6AYU, is expected to become active from Sep 9 (1500 UTC)
until Sep 12 (0500 UTC). he hopes for better conditions and less QRM.
QSLs via homecall will be confirmed after his return home,
Direct QSLs with SASE and Greenstamp or the QSL will be sent via bureau
(ZS only with SASE). If you have problems please send an e-mail to:
gertroux@vodamail.co.za

LY, LITHUANIA
Following special event stations are using the special prefix LY37
during the 37th European Basketball Championship (EuroBasket 2011)
from Aug 31 until Sep 18: LY37A (LY2MM), LY37B (LY2GW), LY37C (LY2CV),
LY37E (LY3NX), LY37F (LY1FW), LY37G (LY1G), LY37J (LY2J), LY37K (LY1K),
LY37L (LY2BOK), LY37M (LY2KM), LY37N (LY1N), LY37O (LY5O),LY37Q (LY4Q),
LY37P (LY2BH), LY37R (LY3P), LY37S (LY2QT), LY37T (LY1CT),LY37V (LY3V),
LY37U (LY3UE), LY37W (LY5W), LY37X (LY3X), LY37Y (LY5Y), LY37Z (LY2KZ).
Infos im Internet gibt es auf http://www.lrmd.lt/basketball-2011-en.htm

OZ, DENMARK, EU-125
Martin,DC8MH, and Michael,DL4ABO, plan to attract the prefix and IOTA
hunters from Fanoe (EU-125) signing 5P7T and 5P7N from Sep 9-11.
This island counts for the Danish islands award (NS-002) and also for
the WFF (OZFF-004). QSLs via homecall (bureau/direct).

SM, SWEDEN
The special event station SI9AM at the King Chulalongkorn Memorial in
Ragunda/Sweden (the largest Thai pavilion outside Thailand) will be
activated on 160m-10m by Axel,DL7ULF, and Peter,DL7VMM from Sep 8-13.
They also plan to take part in the WAE DX Contest. Listen for them on:

CW: 1817, 3517, 7017, 10117, 14017, 18077, 21017, 24897, 28017 kHz
SSB: 1840, 3760, 7060, 14210, 18160, 21310, 24960, 28510 kHz.
FM will be QRV on 145.550 MHz and 145.612 MHz (channel RV49).
QSL via SM3CVM.
For more information visit the website: http://www.si9am.se

SP, POLAND
The special event station 3Z176DORR will honour the famous scientist
Robert Dorr until the end of September. QSL via SP2FAP, eQSL.

SV9, CRETE, EU-015
Luc,SV9/ON6DSL/p, is working holiday style from Crete (EU-015) in SSB
on 15m/17m/20m/40m using a FT817 and an Inverted V until Sep 9.

TK, CORSICA, EU-014
Patrice,TK/F5RBB, and his XYL Mireille,TK/F4FRL, will be QRV in SSB and
digital modes on 40m-10m from Sep 10-24. QSL via homecall.

TK/IW5ELA and TK/I5NOC are also working from Corsica (EU-014) in SSB
and CW on 40m, 20m and 15m until September 11. QSL via homecalls.

VK9/L, LORD HOWE ISLAND, OC-004
Merv,N6NO, will show up as VK9OL from Lord Howe Island (OC-004) from
Sep 10-18. Merv is celebrating his 75th birthday and 60 years amateur
radio. He plans to work mainly in CW on 40m-10m listening especially
for Europe. QSLs via bureau or direct to N6NO or LoTW.

W, UNITED STATES
The special event station N3U/Flt93 (N3U/United Flight 93) will be
activated on Sep 8-15 to commemorate the attacks of 9/11 ten years ago.
QSL via W3PN, see also QRZ.com.

Members of the Kings County Repeater Association (KCRA) remember the
tragedy of 9/11 and will be QRV as KC2RA on Sep 10, 1300 UTC-2100 UTC
on following frequencies: 14295 kHz, 7250 kHz, 146430 kHz (Echo Link:
KC2RA-R Echolink-Node # 132967 (KC2LEB-R).

The Symbol Technologies ARC members will use the special callsign N1Y
to remember the victims of 9/11 between Sep 10, 1400 UTC, and Sep 11,
0400 UTC. Listen for them on 3911, 7240, 14070 and 50135 kHz and via
D-Star REF10C. They will read the name of a victim after every QSO.
QSL direct to STARC, One Motorola Plaza, B-13, Holtsville, NY 11742,USA
(with large SASE no. 10).

The Northeast Wireless Radio Club will operate a special event station
as well. Listen for NW2C in SSB, CW and RTTY on Sep 11, 1700-2300 UTC.
More information is available at: http://www.nw2c.org

YB, INDONESIA, OC-022
John,9M6XRO, and Steve,9M6DXX, are going to hit the airwaves in holiday
style as YB9/GM3OOK and YB9/G4JVG from Bali (OC-022) from Sep 12-15.
This is only a short stop on their way to join the 4W6A DXpedition in

Timor-Leste. They are QRV in CW/RTTY (YB9/GM3OOK) and SSB (YB9/G4JVG)
on 6m-80m using 100 watts and a yagi.
Both QSLs for YB9/GM3OOK and YB9/G4JVG via bureau or direct to M0URX,
via LoTW or OQRS (see http://www.m0urx.com).

ZA, ALBANIA
Tevfik,TA1HZ, will travel to Durres from Sep 7-14 for the upcoming
WAE DX SSB Contest. His callsign will be ZA1TC and his station includes
a Kenwood TS570D, a Windom FD-4 and a dipole for 80m.
The QSL route can be found on QRZ.com.

ZK2, NIUE; OC-040
Steven,ZL4CZ, plans to show up as ZK2AB from Namukulu village working
holiday style from September 9-16. He will use a YAESU FT840 (FT857 for
backup) on a 10m high multiband vertical or a Buddipole.
QSL via ZL4CZ (direct with SAE and IRC or 2 USDS).

ZL, NEW ZEALAND
HAMs in New Zealand are allowed to change their prefix to ZM during
the Rugby World Cup between September and October.
The special event stations ZL4RUGBY (QSL via ZL4PW) and
ZL6RWC (Papakura Radio Club, QSL via ZL1VK) will be activated as well.

QSL COLLECTION
A large QSL collection can be found on the Les Nouvelles DX website at:
http://LesNouvellesDX.fr

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Sep 10: Kulikovo Polye Contest
Sep 10-11: WAE DX Contest
Sep 11: North American Sprint
Sep 11: Swiss HTC-QRP-Sprint

IOTA collected by Ric,DL2VFR (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
EU-011, GM, Isles of Scilly: M0SFT, M0TTE and M0TGN are going activate to
St. Martin's as MX0WCB from Sep 11-17. They are working mainly in QRP.
QSL via M0WAY (bureau/direct). See also: http://mx0wcb.blogspot.com

EU-028, I*5, Toscana (Tuscany) Region group: IA5/DL3NBI is active mainly
in PSK, RTTY and SSB on 20m from his QTH auf Giglio from Sep 14-22.
QSL via DL3NBI (bureau/direct).

EU-041, I*0, Maddalena Archipelago: Max,IZ4JMA, will sign IM0/IZ4JMA from
La Maddalena (EU-041) in CW/SSB/digital on 10m-80m from Sep 10-17.

He was also active as IS0/IZ4JMA from Isuledda Island (EU-024) before.
QSLs via bureau to his homecall.

EU-088, OZ, Kattegat group: DL8AAV is QRV in SSB as OZ0AV from Sep 12-24.
QSL via DL8AAV (bureau/direct).

EU-156, F, Basse-Normandie (Manche West) Region group: Tombelaine is one of
the less often activated island groups. F4BKV, EA3NT and IZ7ATN will
show up on the bands as TM0INT on Sep 10/11. QSL via EA5KA.

EU-174, SV, Makedonia/Thraki Region group: SV8/PA1FJ/p will be QRV from
Thassos working in SSB and CW on 40m-6m from Sep 13-19. QSL via PA1FJ.

NA-029, VY2, Prince Edward Island (incl. Satellite Islands): VY/WW4GA plans
to hit the airwaves from Prince Edward from Sep 12-20.
He may also show up from Cape Breton (NA-010). QSL direct via QRZ.com.

SA-026, PP5, Santa Catarina State Centre group: The contest station PT5T
will join the WAE SSB Contest from Santa Catarina. QSL via K3IRV.

Bandspots of the last 7 days

80m
LX/PA9JO 3.764 2033Z http://www.cqfriends.com

40m
HK1T 7.141 2300Z via EA5KB (d), (L), eQSL
LX/PA7FM 7.087 1432Z via PA5ET (B)

30m
CT8/DL1CW 10.114 1605Z via DL1CW (B)
IQ0FR/LH 10.120 1455Z
LX/ON7PQ/p 10.107 2016Z via ON7PQ (B)
NP2KW 10.116 0510Z
OH2YL 10.119 0518Z
SE7M/LH 10.114 0657Z via SM7GUY (B)

20m
5N6EAM 14.234 1707Z
CT1DRB/p 14.055 1038Z SOTA ES-008
CT7/LZ3ND 14.011 1640Z (d)
GM0HTT 14.260 0731Z EU-009 (B), eQSL
HZ1BW 14.275 0514Z via HZ7C (B)
J28AA 14.015 1847Z via K2PF (B)
K4QS 14.061 1758Z SOTA SH-009
K0N 14.022 1415Z via K0VXU (d), L), eQSL
LY37V 14.017 1545Z via LY2FN
MJ0ASP/p 14.044 0927Z EU-013 (B), (L)
NE1SJ 14.061 1722Z SOTA W1/MB-017 (B)
NH7NJ 14.257 0729Z
NS0TA 14.061 1945Z SOTA W7/CN008, via N7UN (B), (L)
NS7P 14.060 1804Z SOTA W7/CC-057 (L)
OH1TD 14.282 1548Z EU-096, (B)

OH2YL 14.002 0658Z
TK/OK1LOL/p 14.285 1358Z SOTA TK-143
UA9XF 14.193 0504Z
TR8CA 14.033 1710Z via F6CBC (d)
VA2SG/p 14.058 1754Z SOTA SG-011 (d)
VA2SG/p 14.342 1900Z SOTA SG-011 (d)
W4EON 14.342 1927Z SOTA W4/HB-025 (L)
5N6EAM 14.234 1707Z via IK2IQD (d)

17m
CT9/RW9JZ 18.077 1505Z via RW9JZ
EF8AKN 18.160 1909Z via EA8AKN
TA4/RZ3DJ 18.072 1800Z via RZ3DJ

15m
CE2/VE7SV 21.022 1517Z via VE7WY (d)
DU1/JJ5GMJ 21.038 1324Z OC-128, via JH5RXS (B), (L)
J28AA 21.001 1537Z via K2PF (B)
PP2/DL3SEZ 21.325 1902Z via DL3SEZ (B)
V85TL 21.024 1515Z (d)
5N6/YL2SW 21.020 1655Z via YL2SW (B)
5N6/YL2SW 21.303 1628Z via YL2SW (B)
9J2BO 21.028 1700Z via G3TEV (B)

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(L) = LoTW
(r) = bureau QSL via e-mail request

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

07Sep-10Sep 3A/IZ7EVZ 1744 *
-Dec 3Y8XSA 1700/1717
-31Sep 3Z176DORR 1744 *
-25Oct 5B50J 1700
09Sep-11Sep 5P7N 1744 *
09Sep-11Sep 5P7T 1744 *
-Apr/12 5Z4RH ? 1674
-23Nov 7Q7HB 1717/1743
-30Nov 8J1MORSE 1731
-31Dec 9A11P 1723
-21Nov 9A20V 1743
02Sep-14Sep 9H3JN 1743
-Sep 9J2KK 1682
-2012 9J2RI 1739/1742
NOW 9M2/KM9D 1731
LONG TERM 9N1FE 1740
SOON 9Q1EK 1669
-Nov 9Q6CC 1699
UNKNOWN 9U7T 1742

09Sep-12Sep A25/ZS6AYU 1744 *
-? A35CT 1741
-31Dec BP100 1684
-31Dec BV100 1684
03Sep-20Sep CN2EI 1743
06Sep-12Sep CT9/DJ8OG 1743
-31Dec CW5RV 1711
-30Sep DR16BENE 1741
23Aug-11Sep EF1AST 1742
23Aug-11Sep EF1DFP 1742
23Aug-11Sep EF1DR 1742
23Aug-11Sep EF1HLW 1742
23Aug-11Sep EF2RC 1742
23Aug-11Sep EF2TW 1742
23Aug-11Sep EF4GEL 1742
23Aug-11Sep EF4RCH 1742
23Aug-11Sep EF4TD 1742
23Aug-11Sep EF5AR 1742
23Aug-11Sep EF5DM 1742
23Aug-11Sep EF5DY 1742
23Aug-11Sep EF5FL 1742
23Aug-11Sep EF5GUI 1742
23Aug-11Sep EF7CIN 1742
23Aug-11Sep EF7FT 1742
23Aug-11Sep EF7JB 1742
23Aug-11Sep EF7TV 1742
23Aug-11Sep EF8AKN 1742
23Aug-11Sep EG5DM 1742
23Aug-11Sep EG5FL 1742
23Aug-11Sep EG5KB 1742

-Jul/12 FR8NE 1710
-31Dec HB60LU 1711
-31Dec HG15IPA 1724
01Jan-31Dec HG200LST 1708
06Sep-16Nov HK3JCL 1743
-09Sep IA5/IZ0KRC 1743
01Jan-31Dec IA7MM 1708
01Jan-31Dec II1ITA 1708
-31Dec II4LXV 1742
01Mar-30Sep IO4UI 1717
10Sep-17Sep IM0/IZ4JMA 1743
03Sep-10Sep IS0/IZ4JMA 1743
27Aug-02Oct IR2LV 1742

-2012 J28FJ 1739
-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul/12 J28RO 1683
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
-Oct JG8NQJ/JD1 (M) 1739
01Sep-30Sep K3GV/VY2 1743
06Sep-08Sep K6VVA/KL7 1743

10Sep KC2RA 1744 *
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
-May/12 KH4/W5FJG 1728
POSTPONED KH5 1674/1705/1741
-31Dec LA200D 1713
-18Sep LY37A 1744 *
-31Dec LZ85R 1721
08Sep-15Sep N3U/Flt 93 1744 *
09Sep N1Y 1744 *
11Sep NW2C 1744 *

01Sep-30Sep OE2XXM 1743
01Sep-30Sep OE5XXM 1743
27Aug-10Sep OZ/DF6FL 1742/1743
27Aug-10Sep OZ/DL5FF 1742/1743
27Aug-10Sep OZ/DL9ZE 1742/1743
-Sep P29CW 1713
-Mar/12 P29FR 1742
31Aug-07Sep P49T 1743
01Sep-25Sep PA11WSF 1743
01Jan-31Dec PA30 1708
30Sep-01Oct PG6MILL 1742
21Aug-08Sep PJ2/DH2AK 1742
21Aug-08Sep PJ2/DL1THM 1742
04Sep-09Sep PJ6/NP2X 1743
21Aug-08Sep PJ2/DH2AK 1741
21Aug-08Sep PJ2/DL1THM 1741
04Sep-09Sep PJ6/K9VV 1744 *

01Sep-30Nov R300ML 1743
-Dec RI1ANC 1708
SOON RI1F/UA1PBA 1740
-Sep/12 RI1FJA 1741
-Sep/12 RI1FJM 1741
08Sep-13Sep SI9AM 1744 *
1Sep-30Nov SU/HA3JB 1743
-09Sep SV9/ON6DSL/P 1744 *
29Aug-30Sep SV9/WB2GAI/P 1743
28Sep-26Oct T32C 1740
-Nov T6FR 1742
-Jun/12 T6MO 1733
-Nov T6SH 1734
10Sep-24Sep TK/F4FRL 1744 *
10Sep-24Sep TK/F5RBB 1744 *
04Sep-11Sep TK/I5NOC 1744 *
04Sep-11Sep TK/IW5ELA 1744 *
27Aug-10Sep TM2GRF 1743
25Aug-10Sep UM20Y 1742

-Dec VK0BFG 1741
-Mar/12 VK0KEV (Macq) 1700/1701

10Sep-18Sep VK9OL 1744 *
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
-14Nov XF1/K5ENS 1739
NOW XT2RJA 1712
12Sep-15Sep YB9/G4JVG 1744 *
12Sep-15Sep YB9/GM3OOK 1744 *
07Sep-14Sep ZA1TC 1744 *
-Sep ZC4MIS 1732
-Sep ZD9GI 1691
09Sep-16Sep ZK2AB 1744 *
19Aug-31Oct ZL4RUGBY 1741
-31Dec ZL50GH 1711
-Oct ZL6RWC 1744 *
-2012? ZS6KX/7 1740

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

CB2T via CE2RTF (B)
CN8KD via EA5XX (d)
CT8/DL1CW via DL1CW (B)
CT9/RW9JZ via RW9JZ
CU5/CU3EJ via CU3EJ (B)
DT0DWAC via HL0KHQ (B)
EA8/EI6DX/p via RX3RC (B)
EG1SDC via EA1AUM (B)
EG2SDC via EA1AUM (B)
EG3SBD via EA3URS (B), eQSL
EG5SDC via EA1AUM (B)
EG7MJ via EA7NL (B)
EG7SDC via EA1AUM (B)
EG8RHG via EA8CPE (B)
EG9SDC via EA1AUM (B)
EI/EO18IKN via US6IKN (B)
EM0BSCC via UU0JM (B)
EM2G via UR7GO
EM20UKR via UR7UC
EN20C via UX7CQ
EN20UO via UX5UO (B)
EN20UZ via UR5UZ (B)
EN20W via UR5WA
EO20IGN via US7IGN
EO20IO via UX3IO
EO20K via UR4KWA
EO20M via UX7MA (B)
EO20UD via UR7UD (B)
EO20UM via UT0UM
EO20UR via UT7UR (B), (L), eQSL
EO20UU via UT7UU (B), (L), eQSL

ER0I via Y08WW (B)
ER0UB via UT2UB (B)
ER20MD via ER1FF (B)
FO/JA3EZJ via JA3EZJ (B)
FP/VE2XB via VE2XB (B)
FP5BZ via F5TJP (B)
FS/W6IZT via N7XG (B)
GB5OLR via G0TOC, eQSL
HB60RF via HB9DDS (B)
HB9/OZ0UL via OZ0UL (B)
II2LOM via IQ2LZ (B)
II1L via IQ1GE (B)
II4LXV via IZ4OUL (B), eQSL
IM0P via IZ1DNJ (B)
IM0/I2KQE via I2KQE
IR1DCI/p via IK1QFM
IR2LV via IK2AGN (B)
IS0/IW1RGS via IW1RGS (B)
IT9/ON4ENL via ON4ENL (B)
J48AL via DM3CW (B)
J8/PE1IGM via PA3C (B), (L), eQSL
3Z176DORR via SP2FAP, eQSL
4T100MP via OA4O (B)
5H3CMG via ZR6CMG
5R8UI via IZ8CCW (d)
5T0JL via ON8RA (B)
9A/SP5ELW via SP5ELW (B), (L), eQSL
9A20V via 9A6DR (B)
9H3AT via IC8ATA (B)

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QSLs arrived direct: 8Q7LM (DL7ULM), BA4DW/4 (AS-160), DZ1P (OC-091, VE7DP),
SU9VB (via UA4WHX, e-mail request), TE8X (NA-116,TI5AA)

QSLs arrived bureau: YE0X (OC-021), 3B8/DK9PY, 3DA0TB (GI4FUM),
5C2J (IK7JWX), 5H3ME (DL4ME), 5P7N (DL4ABO),
5P7T (DC8MH), 5R8RJ (DJ7RJ), 5R8WW (OH0XX),
5W0OU (N7OU), 6V7W (EA5KA), 6Y9V (WD9DZV),
7Z1HL (DJ9ZB), 8J1AXA (JD1LDY), 8J7M/7 (AS-007),
9K2/SP4R (SP4GFG), 9M2CNC (G4ZFE), 9M2ZAK

QSL via LoTW: A25VB, AH2R, C91VB, CT1FFU, CT9/IZ2DPX, D20VB,
DM5JBN/p, E77DX, EB7DX, EE7AEY, FJ/OS1T, FP/VE9MY,
FY5YE, J77J, HB0/DG5NFF,JX5O, KH2/N2NL, LX/PA3FYG/p,
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
29 August - 04 September 2011

Solar activity began the week at low levels with 27 C-class flares
between 09 August - 03 September and ended at moderate levels with
an M3 flare at 04/1145 UTC from Region 1286 (N20, L=304, class/area
Dso/080 on 03 September). The M3 event was associated with a
partial-halo coronal mass ejection which was directed away from the
west limb. Although Region 1282 (N25, L=300, class/area Eso/170) did
not produce any significant activity during the period, it did
develop a delta magnetic configuration on 03 September. Region 1283
(N14, L=223, class/area Dsi/220) developed into the largest spot
group during the period.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
normal levels.

Geomagnetic field activity began the week at generally quiet to
unsettled levels with isolated active and minor storm periods at
high latitudes due to a negative polarity coronal hole high speed
stream (CH HSS). Activity decreased to mostly quiet levels for 30
August - 02 September. Activity increased to quiet to unsettled
levels with isolated active periods at high latitudes for 03 - 04
September. An isolated major storm period occurred at high latitudes
during 03/0900 - 1200 UTC. Solar wind data indicated a solar sector
boundary crossing on 02 September at about 1000 UTC, and a
co-rotating interaction region on 03 September at about 0100 UTC
followed by a negative polarity CH HSS.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
07 September - 03 October 2011

Solar activity is expected to be low with M-class activity likely
and a slight chance for X-class activity through 11 September when
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Region 1283 rotates off the disk. A decrease to very low to low levels is expected from 12 - 17 September. An increase to low to moderate levels is expected as old Regions 1286 and 1283 return and transit the disk from 18 September through the remainder of the forecast period.

A slight chance for proton events is expected at geosynchronous orbit until 12 September.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at high levels 07 - 08 September, followed by normal to moderate levels for 09 - 12 September. High levels are expected 13 - 14 September, followed by another decrease to normal to moderate levels for 15 - 28 September. High levels resume 29 - 30 September. Normal to moderate levels are expected 01 - 03 October.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be at mostly quiet levels through 09 September. Activity is expected to increase to unsettled to active levels 10 - 13 September with the arrival of a coronal mass ejection coupled with a CH HSS. Mostly quiet levels will prevail from 14 - 29 September. An increase to unsettled is expected 30 September - 01 October due to another recurrent CH HSS. Quiet levels will predominate for 02 - 03 October.

829. [RAC-Bulletin] [EMCOM}: Information - Katia - 2011-09-06 17:08:30 UTC

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-07 01:40:19 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4E66CAD5.2070402@rac.ca>
Source record: 4019
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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WOCN31 CWHX 061745
Tropical cyclone information statement issued by the Canadian
Hurricane Centre of Environment Canada at 2:06 PM ADT Tuesday
6 September 2011.
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Tropical cyclone information statement for:
=new= Newfoundland
=new= Nova Scotia.

For hurricane katia.

The next statement will be issued by 9:00 AM ADT.

The Canadian Hurricane Centre is monitoring hurricane katia
This week. Another statement is planned for Wednesday morning.

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==discussion==
Hurricane katia has been tracking toward the northwest for several
days and is a major hurricane (category 3). Based on a suite of
computer models and expected evolution of weather systems over
Eastern Canada, katia is forecast to make a sharp eastward turn on
Friday. That would result in impacts limited to the offshore
district but with at least large waves reaching the southern
coastlines of Nova Scotia and Newfoundland.

The current plan at the Canadian Hurricane Centre is to issue another
general statement like this Wednesday morning, once we are able to
re-assess data and computer models overnight. We could begin issuing
regular (6-hourly) bulletins Wednesday afternoon. The current
long-range forecasts for the southernmost Canadian marine territory
is for gale-force winds on Friday and/or Saturday.

It will be important to stay tuned to our updates on katia this week
as the timing of the eastward turn will be critical to the forecast.
Predicting the timing of sharp turns like this can be particularly
challenging.

Visit weatheroffice.Gc.Ca/hurricane (all in lower case) for the
latest hurricane track information map.

Please also refer to the public and marine forecasts and warnings
issued by Environment Canada for your area.

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830. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.amateur.*

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-07 06:05:00 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/recruitment-1-1315375500@panix.com>
Source record: 4020
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/recruitment
Revision: 1.2 2009/11/25 14:41:01
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/

Changes followed by "|".

The rec.radio.info newsgroup, first established in 1993, has been
recently revived by an active moderation team. We are currently seeking
suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.amateur.* (and currently archived
at http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/ ):

radio/personal-intro
Subject: Guide to the rec.radio Newsgroups
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 9 Nov 2001 06:18:17 GMT
Posting-Frequency: 15th of each month

One significant omission, requiring immediate updates, for this article |
is that it does not mention newer amateur radio newsgroups created since |
it was written, including: |

rec.radio.amateur.antenna |
rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors |
rec.radio.amateur.dx |
rec.radio.amateur.equipment |
rec.radio.amateur.homebrew |
rec.radio.amateur.moderated |
rec.radio.amateur.space |

We are willing to provide any technical support necessary to get this
article updated and automatically posted again at a regular interval.
This would include establishing contact with the original maintainer for
any necessary permissions. We would prefer to seek a new, dedicated
maintainer at this time, rather than start auto-posting the original
article ourselves.

For more information about our newsgroup, see:
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http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

831. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.swap

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-07 06:10:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/swap/recruitment-1-1315375800@panix.com>
Source record: 4021
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/swap/recruitment
Revision: 1.1 2007/09/29 18:42:57
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide

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bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.swap (and currently archived at
http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide/ ):

radio/swap-guide
Subject: Rec.radio.swap FAQ: A Guide to Buying and Selling on Usenet
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 6 Nov 2001 19:25:51 GMT
Posting-Frequency: Monthly

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Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
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832. SOUTH INDIAN HOT ACTRESS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-08 10:52:01 UTC
From: tejaswini <teju9030@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <2df11594-85f1-4350-8497-d038760975a3@s35g2000prm.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4022

FOR GOOD JOBS SITES TO YOU
http://goodjobssites.blogspot.com/

FOR HOT PHOTO&VIDEOS
SAMANTHA HOT EXCLUSIVE PHOTOS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/09/south-actress-samantha.html
FOR EXCLUSIVE HOT ASIN PICS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/09/asin.html
KATRINA KAIF RARE PHOTOS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/07/katrina-kaif-wallpapers.html
HOT SOUTH ACTRESS IN DIFFERENT DRESSES
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/08/south-actress.html
DOOKUDU LATEST MOVIE STILLS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/08/dookudu-movie-stills.html
KAJAL LATEST ROMANTIC STILLS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/07/kajal-agarwal-in-naperu-shiva.html
TAMANNA HOT PHOTOS & VIDEOS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/07/tamanna-wallpapers.html

FOR ONLY HOT GUYS SEE THIS
KAJAL AGARWAL LATEST HOT WITHOUT TOP
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/kajal-agarwal-hot-photos.html
HOT KATRINAKAIF WALLPAPERS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/katrina-kaif-hot.html
SAMANTHA HOT WALLPAPERS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/09/samantha-hot.html
TAMANNA HOT PHOTOS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/tamanna-hot.html
HOT MALLU ACTRESS BHAMA
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/09/bhama-hot.html
TOLLYWOOD HOT ACTRESSES
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/hot-actrsess.html
SONAKSHI SINHA HOT PHOTOS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/09/sonakshi-sinha-hot.html
PRIYANKA CHOPRA LATEST HOT PHOTOS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/priyanka-chopra-hot.html

LATEST AMISHA PATEL HOT PICS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/amisha-patel-hot.html
TAPSEE DIFFERENT STILLS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/tapsee-hot.html
PRIYAMANI HOT PHOTOS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/priyamani-hot.html

FOR FAST UPDATES IN TELUGU FILM INDUSTRY
TAMIL ACTRESS HOT PHOTO SHOOT
http://allyouwants.blogspot.com/2011/08/tamil-actress.html
SOUTH INDIAN HOT ACTRESS PICS
http://allyouwants.blogspot.com/2011/08/hot-actress.html
DEEPIKA PADUKONE IN DUM MARO DUM MOVIE
http://allyouwants.blogspot.com/2011/08/deepika-in-dum-maro-dum.html
PRIYAMANI SPICY PHOTOS IN COW GIRL
http://allyouwants.blogspot.com/2011/02/priyamani-spicy-photo-shoot-cow-girl.html

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http://allyouwants.blogspot.com/2011/02/priyamani-spicy-photo-shoot-cow-girl.html
KAJAL HOT PHOTOS IN SAREE
http://allyouwants.blogspot.com/2011/06/kajal-very-spice-pics.html

833. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #1026.1

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-08 12:29:47 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <914784.81773.qm@smtp103.sbc.mail.gq1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 4023
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
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BID: $OPDX.1026.1
September 8, 2011
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network and 9M6DXX for the following DX information.

4W6A TIMOR-LESTE (EAST TIMOR) DXPEDITION SEPTEMBER 16 • 26, 2011

PRESS RELEASE NUMBER 6: September 9, 2011

This is the sixth and final press release before the 4W6A DXpedition. The bulk of the equipment, including the linear amplifiers, the Titanex V160E vertical, Hexbeam and other antennas, left Darwin, Australia, on 6 September. It has all arrived safely in Dili, Timor-Leste, and is now awaiting the arrival of the team next week.

9M6DXX and 9M6XRO leave Malaysia on 12 September for a transit stop in Bali, from where they plan to be active 'holiday style' as YB9/G4JVG and YB9/GM3OOK respectively. Unfortunately, due to a late change of airline timetable, they will not now arrive in Dili before the afternoon of Friday 16 September. The chartered boat taking the team and the equipment to Atauro Island has therefore been rescheduled to later that afternoon.

It is likely that only one or two stations will be on the air that day as the team will run out of daylight before all the antennas can be erected. The remainder of the antenna work will commence at first light the following morning (approximately 2115UTC on 16 September) and 4W6A should be fully operational by the morning (UTC) of 17 September.

4W6A will be QRV on all bands 10 to 160 metres, using CW, SSB and RTTY with up to four stations simultaneously. It is hoped that log search will be available, thanks to the Clublog facility (go to www.4w6a.com/qsl-information/log-search), but this is dependent on a reliable Internet connection being available on the island. Col, MM0NDX, is the pilot for 4W6A and is responsible for providing feedback to the team. He may be contacted at dxer59@gmail.com

The QSL manager is M0URX, direct (SAE plus 1 IRC / $2), via the bureau, or LoTW. The entire log will be uploaded to LoTW as quickly as possible after the end of the operation or, if possible, also during the DXpedition. Direct or bureau QSLs may also be requested using the M0URX Online QSL Request Service (OQRS) at http://m0urx.com/oqrs (there is also a link from the 4W6A website at www.4w6a.com/qsl-information).

We look forward to having fun in the pile-ups and we hope you have fun chasing 4W6A. 73, The 4W6A Team.

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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW

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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:

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http://www.papays.com/opdx.html

ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:

http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html

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834. Re: Typical Kelp salesman ...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-08 14:10:40 UTC
From: Gavrielah Hojnacki <nope@nomail.invalid>
Message-ID: <4e68cce4$0$26470$a8266bb1@newsreader.readnews.com>
Source record: 4024
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

"John Smith" <bit_bucket@gmx.com> wrote in message
news:j48n7a$mr1$2@dont-email.me...
>
>
> http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Bill_Andriette.jpg
>
> It is rumored KB9RQZ buys his kelp from this man, err woman ... well,
> thing!
>
> Regards,
> JS
>
>
It works wonders on my hemorrhoids.

835. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2011-026E - Call for Nominations.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-08 20:21:40 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4E6920D0.7020208@rac.ca>
Source record: 4025
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2011-026E - Call for Nominations.
2011-09-05

Readers will note that a number of the job titles have been changed
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and TCA.

A notice has already been put out in TCA [President's Message] and RAC
Report calling for nominations.

See the the link below for information.

http://www.rac/en/news/bulletins/2011/RAC_exec_positions_en.pdf

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836. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-08 20:34:05 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <f8847f6e-e34a-46f9-b217-5d57cffc1390@o15g2000vbe.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4026
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Sep 8, 10:10 am, "Gavrielah Hojnacki" <n...@nomail.invalid>

837. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2011-026E - Correction - Call for Nominations.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-08 21:01:56 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4E692CF6.8060208@rac.ca>
Source record: 4027
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2011-026E - Correction - Call for Nominations.
2011-09-05

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-08 22:40:22 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <6c1f4b55-60f0-470c-8991-e5bc32dafd7f@1g2000vbu.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4028

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On Sep 8, 6:52 am, tejaswini <teju9...@gmail.com> wrote:
>                    FOR GOOD JOBS SITES TO YOU
>                http://goodjobssites.blogspot.com/
>
>                           FOR HOT PHOTO&VIDEOS
>              SAMANTHA HOT EXCLUSIVE

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839. The ARRL Letter for September 8, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-09 00:51:57 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20110908211630.8074D26E1E@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 4029
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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The ARRL Letter

Published by the American Radio Relay League
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September 8, 2011

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==> + PUBLIC SERVICE: GET SET FOR THE ARRL SIMULATED EMERGENCY TEST

Simulated ARRL's Simulated Emergency Test (SET) is October 1 and 2,
2011. This nationwide exercise is the chance to test your emergency
operating skills and the readiness of your communications equipment and
accessories in an emergency-like deployment. ARRL Field Organization
Leaders at the Section and local levels -- along with many other
volunteers who are active in public service and emergency
communications -- are developing emergency-like scenarios in
consultation with a variety of agencies for whom radio amateurs are
known to provide service during emergencies.
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To find out how you can step up and be a part of the local or Section-level activities, contact your Section Manager. You can find contact information for all 71 ARRL Section Managers on page 16 of any issue of QST. Additional contact information may also be found on the ARRL website. The Amateur Radio Emergency Service® (ARES®), the

National Traffic System (NTS), the Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service (RACES) and members of the ARRL Field Organization will participate and practice emergency operation plans, nets and procedures. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/get-set-for-the-2011-arrl-simulated-emergency-test> .

==> + PROPAGATION NEWS: STANFORD UNIVERSITY RESEARCHERS ANNOUNCE SUNSPOT BREAKTHROUGH

Imagine forecasting a hurricane in Miami weeks before the storm was even a swirl of clouds off the coast of Africa -- or predicting a tornado in Kansas from the flutter of a butterfly's wing in Texas. These are the kind of forecasts meteorologists can only dream about. Could the dream come true? A new study by Stanford University researchers suggests that such forecasts may one day be possible -- not on Earth, but on the Sun. In the August 19 issue of Science, Stathis Ilonidis, together with co-workers Junwei Zhao and Alexander Kosovichev, announced that they can see some sunspots while they are still submerged, before they are visible to the naked eye. "This could lead to significant advances in space weather forecasting," Ilondis said.

Most Amateur Radio operators are aware of sunspots, those dark blemishes on the surface of the Sun. This is because sunspots influence propagation. They can be a boon to hams interested in HF propagation, as sunspots are the sites of ultraviolet or extreme ultraviolet radiation that creates our ionosphere. But sunspots can also be destructive. They are the source for disturbances, such as flares and the roots of coronal mass ejections (CMEs) that can hinder propagation. When a CME hits the Earth's atmosphere, the low bands will be depressed and signals will be weaker the lower the frequency. The absorption rate will be most severe on 160 meters, less on 80 and somewhat better on 40 meters. The maximum usable frequency (MUF <http://www.hfradio.org/muf_basics.html>) -- the highest frequency by which a radio wave can propagate between given terminals by ionospheric propagation alone, independent of power -- will be lower and auroral propagation on the VHF bands is quite possible. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/stanford-university-researchers-announce-sunspot-breakthrough>.

==> + CHECK OUT THE OCTOBER ISSUE OF QST

The October issue of QST is jam-packed with all sorts of things that today's Amateur Radio operator needs. In this issue -- our annual DX issue -- you'll discover both technical and feature articles to get you in the mood for hunting down that rare DX. And just like every issue of QST, you will find something to pique your Amateur Radio interests.

A receive antenna can improve the signal-to-noise ratio of those weak, distant stations. Some transceivers don't include the capability to use separate antennas for both receiving and transmitting. In his article

"A Receive-Only Antenna Adapter," Gerald Fasse, W8GF, offers a simple schematic for an adapter you can build that will add functionality to your shack. Joe Ostrowski, KI5FJ, shows how you can reduce transmission line loss by matching your antenna at the antenna feed point. In his article "A Remote Impedance Matching Network," he presents a simple to use -- and easy to build -- network that doesn't have to use microprocessors or relays to switch RF components.

In the October 2010 issue of QST, Cezar Trifu, VE3LYC, told his nail-biting account of being stranded on an uninhabited island in the Canadian arctic. Now for October 2011, Trifu describes his memorable DXpedition to the islands of the southern tip of South America in his article "CE9 DXpedition to the Tip of South America." Sean Patrick Doran, W8OKN, now knows that the ARRL's Logbook of The World is the best way to track his progress toward the DXCC and WAS awards. Read about his Eureka! moment in his article "LoTW: Like Taking Your QSLs to the Bank."

Have you ever gone to a movie and saw ham radio gear up on the big screen and wondered just how it got there? ARRL News Editor S. Khrystyne Keane, K1SFA, did when she went to see Mr Popper's Penguins over the summer. She tracked down the owner of the ham gear featured in the movie and tells of its journey from shack to screen in "Ham Radio 'Pops' on the Big Screen." Keane also presents all the details from the ARRL Board of Directors 2011 Second Meeting in "ARRL Board of Directors Looks to 2014 -- and Beyond."

NCJ Managing Editor Rick Lindquist, WW3DE, takes a look at the ICOM IC-7410 HF and 6 meter transceiver in this month's Product Review. He says that this rig "replaces the IC-746PRO and adds an improved receiver, much faster DSP performance and new features to the mix, but drops 2 meter coverage. Although the new radio does a lot, the 7410 user interface will be familiar to users of current ICOM radios." QST Technical Editor Joel Hallas, W1ZR, checks out the Coaxial Dynamics Model 81041 USB wattmeter: "This is a very nice wattmeter with some extra features that you are likely to appreciate. It does not offer the absolute accuracy of more recent instruments, but will be familiar and handy to many. The provided PC software is useful, but we hope that more will come."

Of course, there are the usual columns you know and expect in the October QST: Happenings, Hints & Kinks, The Doctor Is IN, How's DX, Vintage Radio and more. Look for your October issue in your mailbox. QST is the official journal of ARRL, the national association for Amateur Radio. QST is just one of the many benefits of ARRL membership. To join or renew your ARRL membership, please visit the ARRL web page <https://www.arrl.org/join>.

==> ARRL IN ACTION: WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO LATELY?

This feature is a concise monthly update of some of the things that the ARRL is doing on behalf of its members. This installment -- which

covers the month of August -- takes a look at how the ARRL HQ Emergency Response Team helped monitor various nets and provide support to the affected Field Organizations from W1AW, the upcoming Director elections in the Atlantic, Delta and Midwest Divisions, helping to solve interference problems on 60 meters, filing comments with the FCC, reports from the Official Observer Desk and more. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-in-action-what-have-we-been-up-to-lately-37>.

==> + REPORT CALLS ON NASA TO HIRE MORE ASTRONAUTS

Even as the space shuttle era has come to a close, a NASA-commissioned report says the space agency needs to hire more astronauts to maintain its presence on the International Space Station and prepare for the next generation of spaceflight. The report warns that "the Astronaut Corps appears to be sized below the minimum required" and that the current corps size "poses a risk to the US investment in human spaceflight capabilities." NASA commissioned the report from the National Research Council, part of the National Academy of Sciences, to examine the agency's astronaut and astronaut training needs in the post-shuttle era. NASA Spokesman Michael Curie said that the report "offers helpful advice about the appropriate size of our astronaut corps as we enter this exciting new era of space exploration and crew transport operations." Beginning in November 1983 with Owen Garriott, W5LFL, on board STS-9, Amateur Radio has been an integral part of NASA missions in space. More than 100 NASA astronauts have received their Amateur Radio license. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/report-calls-on-nasa-to-hire-more-astronauts>.

==> + ON THE AIR: DX0DX SPRATLY DXPEDITION "PERMANENTLY CANCELLED"

After numerous setbacks, Chris Dimitrijevic, VK3FY, announced on the DX0DX website <http://www.dx0dx.com/> that the planned 2012 DX0DX DXpedition to the Spratly Islands has been "permanently cancelled." No explanation was given for the cancellation and Dimitrijevic did not respond to e-mails from the ARRL. Spratly currently sits at #32 on DX Magazine <http://www.dxpub.com/dx_news.html>'s "Most Wanted" List.

The DX0DX Spratly DXpedition had been postponed at least twice. It was first supposed to happen in January 2011, and then it was delayed until April. According to Dimitrijevic, the postponement to April 2011 was "due to circumstances beyond the control of the DX0DX Team and in the best interests of the Team of Operators." On April 10, 2011, Dimitrijevic sent out a notice that said that 10 of the original 37 operators of the planned 2011 DX0DX DXpedition indicated that they will return in April 2012, but that will not be happening.

In April 2012, however, another group is planning a DXpedition to the Spratly Islands. According to the September 4 edition of the Ohio/Penn DX Association's bulletin, members of the Malaysian Amateur Radio Transmitter Society (MARTS <http://www.marts.org.my/>) are planning a "2012 Project" to activate Pulau Layang Layang (AS-051) in the Spratlys during the first two weeks of the month. The team leader is C.L. Neoh,

9M2CLN, with support by Tack Kumagai, JE1CKA, and the 9M4SDX Team <http://island.geocities.jp/layang9m4sdx/sub1.html>. The DXpedition coordinator is Tex Izumo, 9M2TO. MARTS is Malaysia's IARU Member-Society. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/dx0dx-spratly-dxpedition-permanently-cancelled>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "September Sun, you made me see" Cook, K7RA, reports: Solar indicators rose again this week, with the average daily sunspot numbers increasing nearly 21 points to 104.3, while the average daily solar flux was up nearly 12 points to 115.5. The geomagnetic numbers were up as well, with the most active geomagnetic day occurring on September 3. The latest prediction from NOAA/USAF has solar flux at 110, 105 and 100 for September 8-10, 95 on September 11-13, 100 on September 14-15, 103 on September 16-17, and 105 on September 18-22. The planetary A index is predicted at 5 on September 8-9, 18, 15, 10 and 8 on September 10-13, 5 on September 14-17, 7 on September 18-19, and 5 on September 20-23. Geophysical Institute Prague predicts minor storm for September 9-10, active conditions September 11, unsettled September 12, quiet to unsettled September 13 and quiet on September 14-15. Both the NOAA and Prague predictions for September 9-10 are probably based on a recent X2 class solar flare on September 6. Look for more information on the ARRL website on Friday, September 9. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by Human Nature's September Girl.

==> + ARRL RECOGNIZES: DOUG HALL, K4DSP, WINS AUGUST QST COVER PLAQUE AWARD

The winner of the QST Cover Plaque Award for August is Doug Hall, K4DSP, for his article "The FSKit -- A Simple Sound Card Interface for Generating Radioteletype Frequency Shift Keying." Congratulations Doug! The QST Cover Plaque award -- given to the author or authors of the best article in each issue -- is determined by a vote of ARRL members on the QST Cover Plaque Poll Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cover-plaque-poll>. Cast a ballot for your favorite article in the September issue today.

==> THIS WEEK ON THE RADIO

This week:

- September 9 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- September 9-10 -- PODXS 070 Club Jay Hudak Memorial 80 Meter Sprint (local time)
- September 10 -- Ohio State Parks on the Air; Kulikovo Polye Contest
- September 10-11 -- Arkansas QSO Party; WAE DX Contest (Phone)
- September 10-12 -- ARRL September VHF QSO Party <http://www.arrl.org/september-vhf-qso-party>; ARCI VHF Contest
- September 11 -- SKCC Weekend Sprint

- September 14-15 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

Next week:

- September 16 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder; AGB NEMIGA Contest
- September 17 -- Connecticut QSO Party; Feld Hell Sprint
- September 17-18 -- ARRL 10 GHz and Up Contest (local time)
<http://www.arrl.org/news/go-high-for-the-2011-arrl-10-ghz-and-up-contest>;
South Carolina QSO Party; Washington State Salmon Run; CIS DX QPSK63
Contest; Scandinavian Activity Contest (CW); SRT HF Contest (SSB); QRP
Afield
- September 18 -- North American Sprint (SSB); WAB 144 MHz QRP Phone
Contest; BARTG Sprint 75
- September 19 -- Run for the Bacon QRP Contest; 144 MHz Fall Sprint
(local time)
- September 22 -- NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest
Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update
<http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest
Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more
information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out
the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page
<http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- September 9-11 -- ARRL Southwestern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southwestern-division-convention-hamcon-2011>,
Torrance, California
- September 11 -- ARRL Great Lakes Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/great-lakes-division-convention-findlay-hamfest
>,
Findlay, Ohio
- September 17 -- ARRL Roanoke Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/roanoke-division-convention-virginia-beach-hamf
est>,
Virginia Beach, Virginia
- September 24 -- ARRL Washington State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/washington-state-convention-35th-annual-spokane
-hamfest>,
Spokane Valley, Washington
- October 8-9 -- ARRL Florida State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/florida-state-convention-melbourne-hamfest>,
Melbourne, Florida
- October 9 -- ARRL Connecticut State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/connecticut-state-convention-1>,
Wallingford, Connecticut
- October 14-16 -- ARRL Pacific Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/pacificon-2011>, Santa Clara, California
- October 21-22 -- ARRL West Gulf Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-gulf-division-convention-texoma-hamarama>,

Ardmore, Oklahoma
- October 22 -- ARRL Iowa State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/iowa-state-convention-hamboree-2011>,
Sergeant Bluff, Iowa
- November 6 -- ARRL Iowa Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/iowa-section-convention>, Davenport, Iowa
- November 19-20 -- ARRL Indiana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/indiana-state-convention-fort-wayne-hamfest-and
-computer-expo>,
Fort Wayne, Indiana
- December 3-4 -- ARRL West Central Florida Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-central-florida-section-convention-tampa-b
ay-hamfest-1>,
Palmetto, Florida

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Message-ID: <891460.91398.qm@smtp107.sbc.mail.bf1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 4030
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network and N6PSE for the following DX information.

Press Release: DXpedition to Rotuma as 3D2R

After many months of careful planning, we are pleased to announce that our preparations for a large multi-national DXpedition to Rotuma are going according to plan.

Rotuma is located in the South Pacific Ocean and is #32 on Club Log's most wanted DXCC list.

The Team is meeting in Lami Bay, Suva on September 22nd and departing by ship to Rotuma on September 25th. The Team expects to arrive in Rotuma and become active on Tuesday, September 27th. We will complete our DX-pedition on October 7th, 2011.

The main goals of this DXpedition are to work every amateur radio operator who needs Rotuma for a new DXCC country. In addition, we will be active on all bands from 1.8 MHz to 144 MHz, including the 5MHz and 50 MHz bands.

In addition to CW, SSB and RTTY we will be active on PSK, SSTV and EME. Special attention will be made to work far away stations such as Europe and Africa during those periods when propagation permits. The propagation window for EU and Africa is very brief at times and signals may be weak, so we ask everyone in the honored HAM SPIRIT to stand by when asked so that we may fulfill this need. Our destination will have a wide range of options and possibilities.

We plan to upload our logs on a daily basis to our on-line log. We will upload to LOTW approximately six months following the DXpedition.

We wish everyone good propagation and we hope that you enjoy working the 3D2R Team.

At this time, we are seeking additional Club and Individual Sponsors
to help us defray the costs of carrying out this DXpedition. Our official
website is http://www.yt1ad.info/3d2r/index.html

3D2R Team

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-09 09:00:13 UTC
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Message-ID: <20110909090005.D5BB533C51@panix2.panix.com>
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Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1778 with a release date of
Friday, September 9th, 2011 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. ARISSAT One celebrates its first month in
space, IARU Region 1 adds two new repeater pairs on 2 meters, Canadian
hams on alert for hurricane Katia, an unlicensed broadcaster in
Brooklyn New York is hit with a $10,000 fine and on ham remembers 911
with an on line tribute to the New York City Fire Department. Find out
the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1778 coming
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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: ARISSAT-1 CELEBRATES ITS FIRST MONTH ONORBIT

ARISSat One has celebrated its first month on-

orbit and it still p[utting out a mighty good

signal. Take a listen:

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Actual ARISsat 1 here.

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ARISSat One was deployed from the from the International Space station
on August 3rd by two space walking cosmonauts . Now, a month later
strong signal reports continue to be reported even though its internal
battery is almost depleted and the bird is totally dependant on power
from power from the sun.

In addition to hearing the bird live on 145.950 MHz, you can receive
ASISSat One data in near real time on your smart phone or mobile
device. Information on how to do this is online at
tinyurl.com/arissat-data-now (WA4SXM)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: ISS COULD BE VACATED IF RUSSIAN LAUNCH VEHICLE
PROBLEM NOT RESOLVED QUICKLY

According to Space.com, the International Space Station may have to start operating without a crew in November. This, if Russian engineers cannot quickly figure out what caused a recent launch booster failure. And this would indirectly impact on ham radio as well. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, has the details:

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As widely reported, an unmanned Russian Progress cargo ship crashed just after launch on August 24th. That flight was to deliver three tons of supplies to the orbiting space station. The failure was caused by a problem with the Progress' Soyuz rocket. One very similar to the one Russia uses to launch its crew-carrying vehicle.

In an August 29th statement, NASA says that three members of the current crew on the ISS are due to return to Earth this month, and the rest are scheduled to come back in midNovember.

At the moment, Russia's Soyuz is the only way to get astronauts to and from the station. So if the booster glitch isn't identified and fixed quickly, a fresh crew won't be able to reach the orbiting lab before the last three current crew members head for home.

One of the reasons for this is that the two Soyuz spacecraft that are currently docked to the ISS are only rated to spend about 200 days in space so they will have to depart before their time on-orbit ends. Also, the lighting conditions at the Soyuz's landing site in Kazakhstan is also an issue. Both NASA and the Russian space agency require that landings occur between one hour after dawn or one hour before dusk. This, to facilitate better search and rescue operations should any be required.

The lighting window closes for about five weeks on September 19th for the first crew and around November 19th for the second. Waiting for a new window to open would stretch the Soyuz spacecraft beyond their 200 day on-orbit ratings in both cases.

The bottom line: NASA says that it will not put any crews on a Soyuz until the rocket has had several successful unmanned launches. Russian engineers are working to give Soyuz the best chance to meet that 200 day deadline. The next one is technically slated to blast off on September 21st, but most experts seem to think that's almost certainly not going to happen. So if Russia cannot find the failure cause of the Soyuz and get it proofed for carrying human passengers, it could mean that the ISS could be unmanned for the first time since 2001.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the Newsroom in Los Angeles.

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If the International Space Station were to be temporarily evacuated it would mean at least a temporary hold with scheduled on-orbit astronaut to classroom ham radio contacts. Obviously, random contacts by the ISS

ham radio crews with amateurs world-wide would cease as well. (SPACE.com, Houston News, other published news reports)

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RESTRUCTURING: IARU REGION 1 ADDS NEW 2 METER REPEATER PAIRS

IARU Region 1 has voted in favor of creating a pair of new 2 meter repeater channels to relieve some of the on-the-air congestion in that region of the world. The new frequency pairs are 144.9750 MHz and 144.9875 MHz as inputs with 145.5750 MHz and 145.5875 MHz as their complimentary outputs.

And if those of you outside of I-A-R-U Region One are wondering about the strange channel allocations, heres some background. In I-A-R-U Region One, the 2 meter band is only two Megahertz wide running from 144 to 146 MHz. Only a small portion is allocated for FM repeater and simplex operations. According to the bandplan posted on the Internet, back in 1996 it was decided to change from 25 Khz inter system spacing to 12.5 kHz with very narrow deviation to accommodate as many repeaters in a given area as is possible.

The latest newly added frequencies were proposed by the South African Radio League and approved by a vote of twenty seven in favor, fourteen opposed and seven abstentions. No implementation of this modification to the Region One bandplan was announced. (IARU Region 1)

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RESCUE RADIO: CANADIAN HAMS ALERT FOR HURRICANE KATIA

Hams in Eastern Canada's Maritime Provinces went on alert on September 6th. This as Hurricane Katia had been tracking toward the northwest for several days as a major category 3 storm.

Based on a suite of computer models and the expected evolution of weather systems over Eastern Canada, Katia was forecast to make a sharp eastward turn on Friday, September 9th. That would result in its impact being limited to the offshore areas but also creating large waves that would reach the southern coastlines of Nova Scotia and Newfoundland.

According to the United States National Hurricane Center in Miami and the Canadian Hurricane Center, Hurricane Katia is not expected to make landfall anywhere in North America. However its projected path is across the entire North Atlantic and map projections say it actually may hit northern England early on Monday, September 12th, before completely falling apart.

But before it makes its Atlantic crossing, Hurricane Katia does pose a threat to Canada's eastern most area and Radio Amateurs of Canada suggests that hams as well as the public stay tuned to updates regarding the storms path. The Canadian Hurricane Center notes that predicting the timing of sharp turns for a hurricane like Katria can be particularly challenging. You can track Katia's progress yourself by

going to the National Hurricane Center web page at www dot nhc dot noaa dot gov. (RAC, NOAA, Canadian Hurricane Center)

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RESCUE RADIO: WASHINGTON HAMS AID HIKER

According to a report posted on QRZ dot com by Glen Ahlborn, KF7QLH, several Washington State hams were responsible for the rescue of a camper who had slid off a ledge near Emerald Lake. It went down on Saturday, August 27th when John Myers, KD7AAT, of Spokane received an emergency call over a local repeater from Todd Cady, K7PKT. Cady informed Myers that a camper had fallen over the side of a ledge and had suffered a major compound fracture of his femur.

Using a hand held GPS unit, Cady provided Myers with the exact coordinates. Cady also told Myers that there was absolutely no way of getting a stretcher in the area. Myers relayed this information to emergency response personnel which dispatched an ambulance to the scene.

As it turned out, Cady's assessment was correct. There was no way to perform a ground rescue due to the terrain. The first responders could only make sure the patient was stabilized, and also find an area for a helicopter landing. Meantime, a rescue helicopter was launched from Spokane. It picked up the injured man and transported him to a medical facility where he is reported to be recovering from his injuries. (KF7QLH)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the VE9BSQ repeater serving St. John New Brunswick, Canada.

(5 sec pause here)

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RESCUE RADIO: SIMULATED EMERGENCY TEST OCTOBER 1 and 2

This years national Simulated Emergency Test takes place on October 1st and 2nd. Sponsored by the ARRL, the Simulated Emergency Test is a nationwide exercise to assess ham emergency operating skills and the readiness in an emergency like operation.

According to the ARRL, its Field Organization in association with a variety of served emergency response agencies is busy developing emergency like scenarios for this years S-E-T. To find out how you can be a part of these activities, please get in touch with your ARRL Section Manager. Contact information can be found on page 16 of any issue of the Leagues monthly QST magazine. (ARRL)

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RESCUE RADIO: FEMA TO TEST NATIONAL EAS SYSTEM IN NEVADA

Nevada will conduct a state-wide test of the national Emergency Activation or EAS system later this month. Radio World reports that at the recent annual meeting of the Nevada State Emergency Communications Committee broadcasters learned that the Federal Emergency Management Agency's Integrated Public Alert and Warning System office plans a mini-national EAS test for the state before months end.

The test would be launched from FEMA to KKOH AM in Reno and KDWN AM in Las Vegas and propagate from there to other stations in the Nevada EAS Operational Area. Nevada State Emergency Communications Committee Chair Adrienne Abbott told the meeting she would track results through a conference call with station engineers and report results to the Nevada Broadcasters Association.

Radio World says that similar tests are expected in at least some other states. The Michigan Association of Broadcasters has already announced that it is planning a statewide "soft test" of the monthly local test on September 22nd. (RW)

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RESCUE RADIO: ALERTFM TO BE INTRODUCED TO EUROPEAN MARKEWT

AlertFM which is the provider of an FM-based emergency alert system, has announced that broadcast equipment manufacturer WorldCast Systems is offering the Alert FM system in Europe.

The Alert FM system sends text-based messages over FM frequencies to end users. Those end users can be anyone with an Alert FM receiver, including radio stations, first responders, schools, municipalities or citizens. More on this story is on-line at tinyurl.com/alert-fm-europe (AlertFM)

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ENFORCEMENT: UNLICENSED BROOKLYN NY BROADCASTERS DINGED $10000

The FCC has affirmed Forfeiture Order in the amount of ten thousand dollars issued jointly to Andre Alleyne and Jessie White. This, for operating an unlicensed radio station on the frequency 96.5 MHz in Brooklyn, New York. Amateur Radio Newslines Jeff Clark, K8JAC, is here with the story:

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This story goes back to July 23 and 24, 2008. That's when acting in response to a complaint of interference from a licensed FM broadcast station; agents from the FCC Enforcement Bureau's New York Office monitored 96.5 MHz in Brooklyn, New York. On each of those days, the agent observed a radio signal on that frequency and used directionfinding techniques to locate the source of the transmissions

to an apartment building on Flatbush Avenue in the borough of the city.

On July 24, 2008, after completing the field strength measurements, agents from the New York Office conducted an investigation on the roof of building where they observed an FM broadcast antenna with a coaxial cable leading from the antenna into an apartment window in the building. The agents learned from the building superintendent that the coaxial cable went into the apartment jointly leased by Mr. Alleyne and Ms. White.

When the agents attempted to inspect the station, the two women who answered the door refused to allow the agents to enter the apartment. However, one of the women, who was later identified as Ms. White, stated that she resides in the apartment with her boyfriend. The agents advised her that the radio station in the apartment was operating without a license and requested that she turn off the station. After returning to their vehicle, the agents monitored 96.5 MHz and noted that the station was off the air.

On July 30, 2008, the New York Office issued a Notice of Unlicensed Operation to Mr. Alleyne and Ms. White. The notice warned the pair that operation of the unlicensed radio station violated section 301 of the Communications Act and outlined the potential penalties for such a violation. The Notice directed Mr. Alleyne and Ms. White to terminate operation of the unlicensed station immediately and provided them ten days to reply. The New York Office says that it did not receive a response to the Notice.

On December 10, 2008, the New York Office issued a Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture in the amount of $10,000 to Mr. Alleyne and Ms. White for operating an unlicensed radio station. In their response, Mr. Alleyne and Ms. White did not dispute the findings in the Notice of Apparent Liability, but requested that the FCC cancel the proposed forfeiture for several reasons. This because of their claim that they allowed a friend to operate the station from their apartment. Also, that they believed the radio station complied with all FCC regulations; that they ceased operating the station as soon as they became aware that it was illegal and that they do not have the financial resources to pay the forfeiture.

In denying all of these requests the FCC noted that Mr. Alleyne and Ms. White did not dispute the circumstances of the stations operation and that on examining all of the evidence that the Commission finds that Alleyne and White are jointly liable for operating the unlicensed radio station on 96.5 MHz. The FCC also turned down the request to cancel or reduce the proposed forfeiture based on their inability to pay. This is because neither Mr. Alleyne nor Ms. White submitted any supporting documentation providing proof that they could not pay the fine. As such the FCC concluded that the $10,000 forfeiture is warranted and gave them the customary 30 days to pay or take the matter to appeal.

I'm Jeff Clark, K8JAC.

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If Alleyne and White they fail to do either, the entire matter will likely be handed over to the Department of Justice for collection. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: CANADIAN TEEN UNLICENSED BROADCASTER GETS 15 MONTHS PROBATION

A Canadian youngster described in news reports as an illtempered teenaged unlicensed broadcaster has been put on 15 months probation. This after threatening a pair of Ottawa radio personalities and an Industry Canada radio inspector.

According to news reports, the now 15 year old had set up a radio station out of his home using transmitting equipment he purchased with money from an inheritance and began broadcasting without a license. After repeated warnings Telecommunications regulator Industry Canada shut him down and seized his equipment in January 201. At that time he reportedly threatened and harassed one of the agency's investigators.

At trial, the unnamed young offender was convicted of violating the Radiocommunications Act. He was also found guilty of threatening to kill Hot 89.9 radio personality Ryan Lindsay. The court says that he went as far showing up at the radio station with his father, and threatening to harm another employee identified as John Mielke.

And heres the kicker. While news reports say that the teen's crimes were serious, Justice Donald Ebbs sentenced him only to conditional discharge and probation. The only conditions placed on the teen was that he stay away from the people he threatened and not possess any radio transmitters or other equipment that could allow him to broadcast on federally regulated airwaves. The teen was also ordered to perform 60 hours of community service. More about this case is on-line at tinyurl.com/canada-teen. (Adapted from the Ottawa Citizen)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: PAUL ROBINSON 2E1EUB AWARDED LOUIS VARNEY CUP

The 2011 Louis Varney G5RV Cup for Space Communications has been awarded to Paul Robinson 2E1EUB of Stoke on Trebt, England. This in recognition of his work in promoting and encouraging the use of amateur radio satellites and perfecting the art of a portable ground station. This years presentation was hosted by RSGB president Dave Wilson M00BW and took place at the Telford Hamfest on Sunday, September 4. (GB2RS)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: ARNEWSLINET TO BE GUEST ON HAM NATION SEPTEMBER 13

Amateur Radio Newsline producer Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, along news anchor Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, will be the guests of Bob Heil, K9EID, and

Gordon West, WB6NOA on the Tuesday, September 13th edition of Bob's Ham Nation. This is the streaming video podcast seen live on Leo LaPorte's TWIT.TV Internet Television Network.

Bill and Don plan to discuss a bit of the history of the news service and talk about some of its ancillary projects including the Young Ham of the Year Award. They also may have a surprise announcement as well.

Ham Nation airs live every Tuesday Night at live.twit.tv. If you miss the show you can download the audio only or audio with video podcasts about 24 hours later at www.twit.tv/HN, from iTunes, and many other normal podcast sources. (ARNewsline(tm))

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

(5 sec pause here)

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CHANGING OF THE GUARD: UK COLOSSUS COMPUTER DESIGNER TONY SALE - SK

The Radio Society of Great Britain has announced the passing of Tony Sale, the man behind the Bletchley Park Colossus computer rebuild project.

During his rather illustrious career, Sale was the British intelligence agency's principal scientific officer and later worked at the Science Museum. He helped create the Computer Conservation Society and, more recently, the National Museum of Computing at Bletchley Park, where his Colossus remains today.

Considered to be a remarkable and skilled individual, Sale had a long history in engineering that encompassed robotics, radar and computing. In January 2008 Tony Sale and Colossus were featured on the cover of the RSGB's RadCom magazine. (GB2RS)

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: NEW HIGH EFFICIENCY SOLAR CELL

A photovoltaic cell that reaches record-breaking efficiency could make solar energy competitive with fossil fuels according to the company that created the cell.

Alta Devices of Santa Clara, California presented research at the 37th IEEE Photovoltaic Specialist Conference that claims its thin-film gallium-arsenide cell can convert 27.6 percent of the sunlight striking the cell into electricity, under standardized conditions.

Since the paper was submitted, the company says it has upped the efficiency to 28.2 percent. That beats the previous record of 26.4 percent for a solar cell with a single p-n junction, which was the first improvement in years over 26.1 percent. Both numbers, according to Alta, were independently confirmed by the National Renewable Energy Laboratory. (Photo Voltaics)

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RADIO FROM SPACE: PROSPERO MAY LIVE AGAIN

United Kingdom researchers say that they are planning to try to revive a 1970's satellite on 137.560 MHz.

The Prospero spacecraft was the United Kingdoms first first satellite, launched on a UK-built 40 years ago on a Black Arrow rocket. It was put into orbit on October 28, 1971 carrying a series of experiments to investigate the effects of the space environment.

The satellite operated successfully until 1973 and was contacted annually until 1996. Its beacon on 137.560 MHz was last heard by radio amateurs in 2006.

Now a team from the Mullard Space Science Laboratory in Surrey are attempting to revive it. Audio recordings of the 0.3 watt phase modulated signal at 2048 bit/s from Prospero on 137.560 MHz can be heard on the Sounds from Space website of Matthias Bopp, DD1US. To listen in, take your web browser to tinyurl.com/prospero-sound and then scroll down the page to Prospero One. (Southgate)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: STUDENTS GET NZART GRANT TO DEVELOP KIWISAT SOFTWARE

A group of fourth-year Honors Students and a Masters student from New Zealand's Massey University School of Engineering and Advanced Technology have been awarded a $7,500 grant from the New Zealand Association of Radio Transmitters' Radio Science Education Trust. This, to develop the software for the new KiwiSAT amateur radio satellite.

KiwiSAT is being designed and built by a team of New Zealand radio amateur volunteers supported by Massey and various corporate sponsors. In addition to the usual repeater in space operations, KiwiSAT will carry out experimental work in small satellite Attitude Determination and Control. This is a low cost control system that works through interaction with the Earth's magnetic field to position the satellite at a specific attitude.

KiwiSAT is micro satellite is the size of a basketball. It will be launched on a Russian orbital booster when the project is completed. You can read the entire story on-line at tinyurl.com/kiwisat-software. (NZART)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: HAM RADIO SPACE HISTORY TALK ON THE WWW

A video dealing with the history of ham radio space communications is now available on the World-Wide-Web. The program features a talk given in English by Mario Lorenz, DL5MLO, from AMSAT Germany was recorded this past summer as a part of the Hacker Space Program track at the Chaos Communication Camp 2011.

Held near Berlin, Chaos Communication Camp attracted hackers and makers from across Europe. Lorenz notes that building amateur radio satellites involves using technology in creative ways and as such has great appeal to the hacker community.

Lorenz talk is titled, "From OSCAR 1 to Mars and beyond Amateur Space Exploration - The last 50 years, Now, and the Future." It runs just about an hour and might make a good club meeting presentation. You can find it on-line at tinyurl.com/amsat-sat-talk (Southgate)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: CASTLES AND STATELY HOMES ON THE AIR

An interesting ham radio event out of the United Kingdom. The Castles and Stately Homes On The Air organization will be holding a UK Heritage Event during this month to coincide with the European Heritage Month. For ham radio, this is a great opportunity to access locations that may previously have been inaccessible or closed to the public. Details on activations appear on line at www.cashota.co.uk. (GB2RS)

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ON THE AIR: SPECIAL RUGBY WORLD CUP CALLSIGNS DOWN UNDER

On the air, keep your ears open for some New Zealand amateur radio operators to replace their ZL prefix with a ZM prefix throughout September and October. This, in celebration of the Rugby World Cup which runs from September 9th through October 23rd.

Also listen out for two special event stations in celebration of the Rugby event. The first has the unique call of ZL4RUGBY. It will be on the air through October 31st. QSL via ZL4PW.

The other is ZL6RWC. It will be operated by various members of the Papakura Radio Club, which will also be operational through October 31st. Please QSL ZL6RWC via ZL1VK, direct, via the bureau or electronically using Logbook of the World. (NZART)

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DX

In DX, listen out for Canadian special event station CJ3A to be active during the entire month of October 2011 to celebrate the Centennial of Parks in Canada. Operations will be on all High Frequency bands. QSL via VE3LA.

The Wessex Contest Group will be active from the island of St Martin's, Isles of Scilly, using the club callsign MX0WCB, between September 11th to the 17th. Operation will be mainly QRP on the 40, 20, 17, 15 and 10m bands. QSL direct, by the Bureau, eQSL or via M0WAY.

K3GV stroke VY2 is on 15m and 20m from Prince Edward Island for one month that began on September 1st. QSL via K3GV either via the bureau or direct.

WB6OJB will be on the air as 7P8JK from Lesotho between September 15th to the 22nd. While no other information was given, during his last Lesotho operation he was on the High Frequency bands from 40 to 10 meters using mostly SSB with some CW. QSL direct to his home callsign WB6OJB.

Lastly, N6NO will show up as VK9OL from Lord Howe Island from September 10th to the 18th. He is reportedly celebrating his 75th birthday and 60 years iun amateur radio. He plans to work mainly in CW on 40 through 10 meters listening especially for Europe. QSLs via bureau or direct to N6NO or electronically using Logbook of the World.

(Above from DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: REMEMBERING 911 AND THE FIREFIGHTERS OF NYC

And finally this week, Mark Lacy, W5TXR, tells Newsline that he has added the New York Fire Department logging tapes of 911 to his website. The audio file contain transmissions of first responders as they realized what was happening and began the work of trying to save lives while not realizing that the buildings they were working in would soon crumble around them:

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Mobile: "Marine 6 to Manhattan, urgent." Dispatch: "Hazmat 1 stand-by. Marine 6 go." Mobile: "You have a second plane into the other tower pof the Trade Center. (unintelligible) your fire." Dispatch: ".Marine 6 advising a second plane into the World Trade Center. Kay. Mobile: "Marine 6. That's the other tower." Dispatch: "That's the second tower of the World Trade Center. Kay"

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What you will hear is very graphic and Mark warns on the website that as you listen to history unfold that it will send chills through your body.

To hear these sad moments in United States history please take your web browser to wwwW5TXR.net and click on the words "Historical Audio Archives." The page also explains some of the radio codes and terminology used by the firefighters in New York.

W5TXR adds that for him, as a volunteer firefighter of over 30 years this really hits home. He says that the files will remain on line only through September 15th. (W5TXR)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB, the Southgate News and Australia's W-I-A News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is Newsline (at) arnewsline (dot) org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California, 91350

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editor's desk, I'm Jim Damron, N8TMW, saying 73 from Charleston, West Virginia and we thank you for listening.

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842. MMMonVHF Newsletter 2011-09-09

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Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our lastet NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2011-09-09
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter, once a week (thursday)
from now on - if any special activities will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further detail please be so kind and watch our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you vy welcome for any
input and we do hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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** VHF-DATABASE at MMMonVHF (http://www.mmmonvhf.de/dbase.php) **

Time to time it will be necessary to remember about regular updates
to the VHF-DATABASE at MMMonVHF. At mid of october we plan to
spread a new issue of our VHF-DATABASE to all DX-Cluster (and USER
which what it). So please be so kind and UPDATE IT NOW SOON! LOGIN
at MMMonVHF and follow the link to your Account > than click on
"VHF-DATABASE Update" and click on the INFO Button left side of
the Call (mostly only YOUR CALL or YOUR Expeditions calls) you
wants to change... Click on the EDIT Button (lower end of the page)
if something to change and edit the datasentence. After you have
finished your changes PLEASE do not forget to click on SAVE! Your
data will be reviewed by the Team and released to the VHF-DATABASE
as soon as possible! You will receive a confirmation E-mail when
your data is online available at MMMonVHF! The DX-Cluster will get
those updated Files only one time a year! Info or changes of OTHER
than your own Call or your Expedition Calls as well welcome. In
such a case please do use the Contact Form
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/kontact.php and pass us the
CALL you want to edit as well... Files like CALL3.txt will be
availble for free to everybody from your account and daily fresh!
To get into CALL3.txt you need to have one of the keywords (WSJT
MS or EME) at your datasentence activated!
SOURCE: Guy, DL8EBW, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

** Activating IO72 **

Looking into activating IO72 and wanted to test the water on this.
Initially on 2M MS fsk I will use a single 9ele and power from 100
to QRO levels. Not sure of timing yet but hope to coincide with
some showers and be on at several times per yer (QTH is my in-laws
cottage). Possibly also 4/6m in the future if enough interest.
SOURCE: Roger, GW4WND, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

** [VQLog] New version of VQLog available **

A new version 3.1 build 78 of VQLog is available at:
http://update.vqlog.com
A description of the changes included in this version and
latest versions can be found at
http://www.vhfdx.info/vqlogchanges.html 73.
SOURCE: tnx to Gabriel, EA6VQ direct at VQ Reflector

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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*** DXCC: /MM ; Square: JO12-JO13-JO04... ; Start: 2011-09-23 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=4007

EU-189. Once again a Belgian expedition team will be sailing to
Rockall Island at the end of September.Operators mentioned as of
press time are: Patrick/ON4HIL, Theo/ON4ATW, Henk/ON4AHF,
Karel/ON5TN and Rudi/ON7YT. Three of these operators have been at
not on, Rockall Island in May 2009. The team will set sail aboard
the "Commandant Fourcault" on September 23rd, for a 4 day voyage
to Rockall. If all goes as planned, they will be on the air as
MM0RAI around September 27th or 28th. Please keep in mind that
heavy seas or bad weather can delay the operation! QSL via ON4ATW
(LoTW, by the Bureau or direct. Please visit their Web site for
details and updates at: WWW.ROCKALL.BE NOTE FOR VHF: There is a
chance ON4AHF or some of the other crewmembers will be active on
the way to rockall "maritime mobile" activating sea squares. As
they leave 23sept at antwerp harbour, they will follow the english
coast via scotland to rockall. People who want to work JO12, JO13,
JO04, JO05... this is a nice chance to get them all!!!
Keep informed at MMMonVHF or ON4KST chat
SOURCE: tnx to ON5GS Dirk direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** Working K5QE on EME in our Sept contest... **

Hello to everyone in the EME community. This year, the ARRL
September VHF Contest will be held Sept 10th, 11th, and 12th
(only 3 hours). We want to work as many EME stations on 2M AND
432 as possible to increase our grid count. I know that the
EU VHF contests do not allow EME contacts, but the ARRL contests
do....and EME is a big part of our efforts here at K5QE.
Please help us with this event by working us on JT65b or CW.
Thank you very much. Please read all info in detail:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=4008
SOURCE: tnx to Marshall, K5QE direct to MMMonVHF

** Mill of Parc a Bosrobert activity **

Look for Michel, F5OA, to be active on 4 September 2011 as
homecall/p from the Mill of Parc a Bosrobert 27 (DMF 27-028),
commune of Bosrobert (CP 27800), canton [county] of Brionne
(DDCF 27-09), Departement Eure/27 and Province Haute Normandie
[Upper Normandy] (DPF 11). QRV on 80 and 40 metres, plus VHF
for local stations. QSL via home call, direct or Bureau.
SOURCE: [radioamateur.org] via ICPO Bulletin (02-09 September 2011)

** V6 pohnpei qrv HF and 50 MHz **

Hi bill - we goto V6 pohnpei FSM. 3 OCT - 8 OCT By JA7HMZ as
V63DX and JA7GYP as V63T; 40-6m; CW SSB RTTY QSL Home call,
TNX 73 de JA7HMZ sho - SOURCE: JA7HMZ sho via NG3K DX News

** Albania for a 20-year anniversary trip of ZA1QA **

It seems we go to Albania for a 20-year anniversary trip of ZA1QA,
we will be using ZA20QA. If there is enough interest I can take
a 6m EME capable station with me (6 element DK7ZB and 700 Watts,
manual elevation) and I see October 21-22-23 should be pretty good
for EME. Let me know if I should try. 73
SOURCE: Steve HA0DU via Magic Band EME

** Special Event Station SI9AM qrv **

The special event station SI9AM at the King Chulalongkorn Memorial
in Ragunda/Sweden (the largest Thai pavilion outside Thailand) will
be activated on 160m-10m by Axel,DL7ULF, and Peter,DL7VMM from
Sep 8-13. They also plan to take part in the WAE DX Contest.
Listen for them on:
CW: 1817, 3517, 7017, 10117, 14017, 18077, 21017, 24897, 28017 kHz
SSB: 1840, 3760, 7060, 14210, 18160, 21310, 24960, 28510 kHz.
FM will be QRV on 145.550 MHz and 145.612 MHz (channel RV49).
QSL via SM3CVM. For more information visit the website:

http://www.si9am.se - SOURCE: DXNL 1744 (Sep 7, 2011)

** Special Event at Radio Club, W2SBL **

The Symbol Technologies Amateur Radio Club, W2SBL, will be on
the air 10-11 September 2011 on the following frequencies:
3.911, 7.240, 14.070 and 50.135 MHz, as well as D-STAR REF10C.
STARC members will read the name of a person killed in the attacks
with every QSO. A Special Event QSL card is available when you
send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to Symbol Technologies
Amateur Radio Club, W2SBL, One Motorola Plaza, B-13, Holtsville,
NY 11742. SOURCE: [ARRL] via ICPO Bulletin (02-09 September 2011)

** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 2359 UTC ...

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The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF - Newsletter Credits & Info
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Our Newsletter is compiled from the input of the USER of the
VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF and as well by a lot of free usable
HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats
like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USER who did send us info and News **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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Weekly news from the WIA:
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Text edition:

WIANEWS FOR WEEK COMMENCING SEPTEMBER 11 2011.

THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING SEPTEMBER 11 2011.

TAKE YOUR HAND-HELD TO WORK DAY

Friday 23 September is "take your hand-held to work and school day".

Although a South African incentive why not try it here?

Demonstrate amateur radio to your friends and colleagues at morning tea, lunch time or if you are at school, before school, and during breaks.

Take along a few brochures about amateur radio to hand out as you talk on the air.

If you are retired get on the air on local repeaters and talk to the radio amateurs who are demonstrating amateur radio at work or at school.

(sarl)

NEWS FROM THE WIA AND DIRECTORS
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HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK0

VK0 Still on Air

MACQUARIE ISLAND, VK0.

Kevin, VK 0 KEV has been active on 20 meters using SSB around 0700 to 0800z, 80 meters around 1000z and 40 meters around 1100z.

QSL via JE 1 LET

VK2

LISMORE

SUMMERLAND ADVANCED COURSE 8-9 and 15-16 OCTOBER
Anyone wishing to upgrade or go for a higher license, contact Duncan VK2DLR draymont@bigpond.com

SUMMERLAND FOUNDATION COURSE 30-31 October.
The next Foundation weekend course is planned so contact Duncan VK2DLR to book again the email address is draymont@bigpond.com

VK3

Amateur Radio Victoria Centenary

The 100th anniversary of what began in November 1911 as the Amateur Wireless Society of Victoria, quickly changing to the Wireless Institute of Victoria and today is known as Amateur Radio Victoria.

Its members hope all radio amateurs will join in the celebration.

Part of the activity includes an operating award.

During the celebratory period which began August 1 and rolls along until November 30, contact with members gains two points. A bonus ten points is available by working VK3WI during the Oceania DX Phone Contest October 1 / 2.

Bonus points are also available for contacts with the Nominated VK100ARV special callsign to be rostered by members throughout in November.

Also don't forget portable operations.

A total of five so far have enrolled for the special weekend of activation in November for the Keith Roget Memorial National Parks Award.

The weekend has been extended to cover the Friday, Saturday and Sunday, November the 18th until the 20th.

It's just ANOTHER part of the Amateur Radio Victoria Centenary celebration.

To enrol contact Tony Hambling VK3VTH

(vk3vth@amateurradio.com.au)

VK4 - QNEWS
web service local audio news:- www.wiaq.com/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
local news email qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
VKR Roundup http://www.police.qld.gov.au/News+and+Alerts/Media+Releases/

Welcome to QNews from VK4WIA. I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP, and I've been thinking.

As WIA President Michael Owen, VK3KI, reported a while back, the Foundation Licence has stopped the previous trend of amateur numbers dropping. Times have moved on and our once favourite shops have rationalised their inventories to reflect purchasing trends.

In a population of 22 millions, a licensed amateur community of about 15,000 means we are spread very thinly when retailers come to swap our dollars for their products. Some retail spokes persons have been decrying the use of "on line" buying. Well for me being able to buy items that are no longer

available from local outlets let's me pursue some of my radio interests which would otherwise be denied.

I know from researching purchases that there can be equivalent items for sale locally but often at twice the price I can buy them in from overseas. I also know that the cost of freight from U.S.A. can be a large component of the total cost. With our dollar matching the greenback, it looks tempting to purchase from US book stores. Add in the postage and packing and then check with WIA Bookshop and you are more inclined to buy locally.

We are fortunate that as some of the store front retailers drop hobby products we have more enthusiasts building successful on-line businesses in VK. With on-line payment and ordering we are perhaps better served now than in past times. We just need internet access to still buy Australian.

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think.....how about you?

Hello, this is Doug Friend VK4OE from the Brisbane VHF Group and, on behalf of the group, I want to make sure that everyone knows about two days coming up that will be devoted to the absolutely fascinating and satisfying area of our great hobby - amateur microwaves!

In South-East Queensland there is growing interest in microwaves by quite a few radio amateurs. Here we're talking about those bands above 1 gigahertz - and there are many - starting at 1296 MHz. Several amateurs have equipment for a number of microwave bands up and working and they are ready to go out to high places to use what they have made. Some others have started to make gear and will value an opportunity to test what they have produce so far in the presence of encouraging friends.

So, on Sunday the 25th of this month, we'll be running a "test and tune" day for microwave gear. Anyone who has completed or half-completed projects that need testing can come along to Rob Bathgate, VK4ZDX's place at 53 Arrol Street, Camp Hill and we'll have power meters, spectrum analysers and other test gear available. There'll also be several experienced microwave amateurs there to meet and discuss things with. Even if you have only a budding interest in amateur microwave bands or technology, the day will also be an opportunity to become more enthused with the subject.

Then, on Sunday the 16th of October it'll be a real live, out in the field, test and demonstration day for microwave gear. Different stations will be located on different hills around the great South-East, and the aim will be to demonstrate how microwaves really can be a lot of fun.

So, mark the 25th of September and the 26th of October on your calendars - amateur microwave testing and demonstration days!

VK7

NWT-ATV Group's next meeting is 8th. October at the QTH of Jim VK7JH, Stowport.

This meeting promises to be a very interesting one, as the Guest speaker will be Peter VK7IY who currently is associated with shipping in Bass Strait and he intends to provide some interesting material including work with the

Bass Strait Oil Rigs.

(VK7AX President NWT-ATV Group)

DISCUSSION POINT

What use is an f-call? (use this #4 next-- it is in the wia upload area)
the HARG site at harg.org.au

What use is an f-call?

Firstly I should thank all those f-calls that contributed to the call-back last week. If you know of any f-calls that are not listening to the broadcast, tell them about it and who knows what might happen.

When I started this hobby I did what I am beginning to suspect many newcomers to the field did. I asked around what things to do and who to talk to, then I made my first purchases. I've now spent some of my hard-earned money and to-date I'm very happy about what I bought, but along the way I learnt a few things that I think might be helpful.

My biggest frustration in going out to get my kit was this phenomenon that seemed to plague me where-ever I went. "Why can I not just buy a standard kit with radio, power-supply and antenna?" All in one box, all from one supplier, all shipped to my door, point and click-style.

My limited experience to date tells me that you can in fact do that - it's called a hand-held all-in-one transceiver and it is all that. Of course there are trade-offs such as transmit power, battery life, band-availability, user-interface, etc.

I'm extremely familiar with the I.T. industry. The answer to any given question asked by any given person is always "it depends". I've learnt that Amateur Radio is exactly the same - and as an aside, I suspect it's true for many more fields.

Back to buying a kit. Why not all-in-one? Why is this so hard?

Well, you now know the answer, "it depends". It depends on many things, where you're going to install it, how you're going to use it, how much space you have, how much money, whom you can buy the gear from, etc. etc.

So, my observation today is that for every HAM there's a solution - and for every solution there's an alternative - or six. You can buy your gear brand new, like I did, or you can buy it second or third hand. Perhaps you were given a set. In the end, it doesn't matter what you have when you get started, just that you actually do that, get started.

I'm sure that as I learn more I'll know more and be able to reflect on the choices I've made to date, but in the end, it's up to you to get started.

Go forth and transmit! - I'm Onno, VK6FLAB

HOME OF THE GOOD GUYS

Good Guys this week are the members of the Yasme Foundation.

Ethiopia came back on the air May 30, 2011, with the re-opening of the Ethiopian Amateur Radio Society station ET 3 AA.

The Board of Directors of The Yasme Foundation became aware that 25 club members were scheduled to take the amateur radio license examination in late July and that the fee for taking the exam was about one month's salary in Ethiopia. Accordingly, the Board voted unanimously in favour of a grant to cover one-half of the examination fees for all 25 applicants, the remaining one-half having been previously committed from the Radio Society of Great Britain.

The Yasme Foundation is a not-for-profit corporation organized to conduct scientific and educational projects related to Amateur Radio.

(sarc)

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART and the WW sources of the WIA.

FCC ISSUES EXPERIMENTAL SPACE LICENSE FPOR 2 METER AND 70 CM OPERATIONS

The FCC has issued a new experimental license with the call letters WF2XSP to one James Cutler to operate in 144 to 146 MHz and 437 to 439 MHz spectrum.

This, for testing an image processing algorithm that will be used on a future space flight mobile, Low Earth Orbit operations ranging from 450 to 820 kilometres in altitude.

The FCC announcement made no other reference to the nature of Cutler's experimentation nor why he requested to do so in the amateur 2 meter and 70cm bands.

QRZ.com lists six radio amateurs by the name of James Cutler, but its unknown if any of them are the same James Cutler who has obtained the Experimental License from the FCC.

LED lighting can cause radio interference

Thilo, DL9KCE, writes on the IARU Region 1 site of the problems LED lighting can cause.

More and more LED lights are entering the market and are being used by radio amateur and their neighbours. There is a limit to maximum disturbance voltage on the mains port defined in EN55015, which is equivalent to the protection of EN55022, however it is not fully implemented within the EU due to a transition period of the standard.

As consequence, European Hams can observe some LED lights causing only little trouble, others however cause a great amount of harmful interference due to mains line radiation. As worst case, some LED lights which could be as far as 40 - 60 dB over the limit on some frequencies.

We suggest VK hams monitor the development and make own measurements, if feasible and report to WIA.

Bondi Beach one week, Outer Space the next.

KiwiSAT Taking New Zealand into Space!

Fourth-year honours students and a Masters student from the School of Engineering and Advanced Technology at the Albany campus have been awarded a $7,500 grant from the New Zealand Association of Radio Transmitters' Radio Science Education Trust to develop the software. The micro satellite is the size of a basketball and will be launched from a Russian rocket in the northern hemisphere when the project is finished.

KiwiSAT is being designed and built by a team of volunteers from New Zealand Radio Amateurs supported by Massey and various corporate sponsors. It will connect with amateur radio stations globally and will carry out experimental work in small satellite Attitude Determination and Control (ADAC) - a low cost control system that works through interaction with the Earth's magnetic field to position the satellite at a specific attitude.

Still no word however on completion and launch dates.

A separate frequency allocation for BPL?

The IARU Region 1 EMC working group discussed BPL (PLT) at its meeting in Sun City August 13 and say there are plans to use and may be even allocate the frequency range of 30 - 80 MHz to BPL, for several reasons.

One is that the frequency range is not used as intensive and the amount of possible interference is expected to be less.

Recommendation: To support a separate frequency allocation for BPL equipment.

In further Broadband by Powerline (BPL) networking technology (aka PLT), we know it has a reputation for causing widespread interference to radio reception.

Now there are plans to install them at sea.

London-based company Gentay Ltd has announced BPL networking technology devices for use on vessels plying the seven seas!

Further details at http://www.gentay.co.uk/

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2011

Oct 22 WIA Jack Files Contest

Nov 26-27 WIA Spring VHF-UHF Field Day

2012

January VK Ross Hull Memorial VHF UHF Contest

March 17-18 VK JOHN MOYLE MEMORIAL FIELD DAY

June Long Weekend (vk4 time) VK Shires Contest.

July First full weekend NZART Memorial Contest

Remembrance Day Logs

If you haven't already there are only ABOUT FIVE days to go for you to submit your RD contest logs to the contest organiser Peter Harding VK4OD before last mail on Friday 16th.

Logs should be submitted in the formats outlined in the rules and can be either by electronic mail or postal mail.

Snail mail logs are to be sent to:
RD Contest Manager and endorse the front of the envelope Remembrance Day Contest.

Peter Harding VK4OD 40 Centaurus Crescent Regents Park, QLD 4118
or E-mail your PLAIN TEXT logs to rdlogs@wia.org.au.

Details can be found on the email version of this broadcast.

http://www.wia.org.au/members/contests/rdcontest/documents/2011_RD_Rules.pdf

ILLW in VK7

While it may be a bit late, the International Lighthouse and Lightship weekend concluded with successful operations at Devonport, with Winston VK7EM, and Scott VK7NWT, who activated Mersey Bluff lighthouse.

Eric VK7NFI, Dick, VK7DIK and Wayne VK7NET, did the usual at Wynyard with the Table Cape lighthouse. The Wynyard Municipal council allowed access to the lighthouse building to allow the tying off of antennas to the top handrails of the lighthouse.

Dion VK7DB did a first time activation of the Sandy Cape lighthouse on the rugged west coast. Getting to this location prove relatively easy despite the poor weather prior to the event. The only access is via about 20km of beach tracks and a few river crossings.

Propagation conditions were good for all and it proved to be a successful event, with all looking forward to next year's event.

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

The 22nd Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting (CHOGM) will be held in Perth, VK6, October 28 29 30 and to mark the occasion VI6CHOGM will on air from the Peter Hughes Scout Communications Centre in East Cannington, across as many modes and bands as possible

A number of special event stations will be on air to mark the anniversary of the terrorist attack on the twin towers of the World Trade Centre in New York.

In remembrance of those who died from the attacks that occurred on September 11, 2001, several stations are planned.

These include:-

Pentagon Amateur Radio Club K4AF
Blair Amateur Radio Society W3PN
Northeast Wireless Radio Club N2WC

Kings County Repeater Association KC2RA
Symbol Technologies Amateur Radio Club W2SBL

Many will cover various aspects of the disaster and will have QSL cards available.

(arvictoria)

WIRELESS WEATHER

(this story in audio by felix 4fuq is in wia upload area for you)

Stanford physicists probing the sun's deep interior have successfully predicted the emergence of sunspots on the surface a full two days before they appear, providing the first early warning of the violent solar storms that can endanger astronauts in space, disrupt electric power grids on Earth, and plunge cities into darkness.

SFGate.com say solar physicist David Hathaway at NASA's Marshall Space Centre called the development "an important result."

"It's long been our hope to see the storms of sunspots before they show up," Hathaway said. The experiments that led to the announcement in the Journal Science were conducted by Stathis Ilonidis, a graduate student in physics at Stanford and his colleagues.

Analysing signals from a satellite peering at the sun, they detected the acoustic signs of four electromagnetic storms that were being generated as turbulence 40,000 miles deep in what Ilonidis calls "the roaring ocean" of the sun 's interior.

The system will have to be refined and proven, the scientists cautioned.

BROADCAST MONITORING SWL AND SCANNER NEWS

In the UK Isle of Wight "oldies" station "Angel FM" had their transmitter go of air due to bad weather.

To the rescue? Non other than Rolling Stones guitarist Keith Richards who sent Angel Radio a check for approximately $4,800 to get the "Angel" flying again!

Angel Radio only broadcasts music made before 1969 and promises "snap, crackle but no pop." It's slogan is "Radio by older people ... for older people."

It's believed that Richards, 67, tunes in regularly.

(published reports)

INTRUDER WATCH - ENFORCEMENT ZONE

HAMS AND TWO NATIONS PTT SUCCESSFUL IN REMOVING CODAR FROM 24 MHz BAND

The Codar High Frequency Radar operating on 24920 to 25080 kHz from Northern Italy has gone off the air. This, thanks to a concerted effort by individual hams and members of various European Intruder Watch operations.

A release by IARU Region 1 Intruder Watch specifically singles out DJ9KR, G4BOH and 9A5W for their assistance. It also thanks the British telecommunications regulator Ofcom and the German P-T-T for their direction finding assistance and other help.

Italy revisited.

Italian repeaters in Amateur Satellite segment

Edition 58 of the IARU Region 1 VHF-UHF-UW Newsletter publishes the notes from the IARU-R1 Sun City conference and we see there are a number of Italian repeaters operating in the Amateur Satellite Service segment.

These are causing interference to the uplinks and downlinks of Amateur Radio satellites and D-Star repeaters are the prevalent offenders.

IARU Region One stresses the importance of satellite service and band plans also in case of the introduction of new modes. It is recommended to disconnect repeaters/nodes from international D-Star network if these are operated in contradiction to IARU-R1 band plans.

Dutch authorities get tough with radio pirates.

Radiocommunications Agency Netherlands will soon launch a new tougher policy to deal with pirate radio stations. The illegal broadcasters may soon have a fine of 2,500 euros imposed on them as soon as half an hour after they receive a warning letter.

This the agency's latest move in a cat and mouse game with the pirates.

There have already been 1600 warnings this year, and 60 people have been fined.

The radio pirates have responded by adapting their methods. They are now increasingly using mobile stations, so after receiving a warning letter they simply move to a different place to broadcast. The collapsible masts used for the broadcasts are sometimes more than forty metres high.

THE QNEWS WORK BENCH - the nuts and volts report - Measure Twice cut Once.

MEDIA WATCH
www.cq-amateur-radio.com/WorldRadio.html
VK Club Bulletins http://groups.yahoo.com/group/aarnie/

A new repeater network is operational from Brisbane's "Mount Coot-tha."

VK4RBQ, 146.950 MHz (91.5 Hz tone needed) is working well and is now rebroadcasting both WIA National News and the local QNEWS, (assembled this week by Peter VK4OD).

The newscasts are on relay from VK4RGC Springbrook, the 146.950 repeater is linked to the Gold Coast 146.700 repeater on a full time basis and Pete VK4BT is sitting ready for your call-backs!

Andrew Chapman VK4JV says there is also a 70CM repeater on site, this is 438.400 MHz, again 91.5 Hz tone needed for access, which is stand-alone and is dual mode analogue / APCO P25 (the P25 NAC is 293 for digital use).

3rd issue of 'CQ EGYPT' Amateur Radio Magazine is available free on the web.

One of the foremost goals of the Egyptian Radio Amateurs Society (ERASD) is providing educational programs and materials to promote amateur radio and develop the scientific and technical skills of the Egyptian and Arab youth.

In this context, ERASD is currently issued an online magazine focused on simplifying science and technology to youth in general, and more particularly in areas related to amateur radio and satellite.

The Magazine articles are a mix of English and Arabic.

http://erasd.net/CQSUAMATEURRADIOMAGAZIN.aspx

facebook.com/pages/The-Egyptian-Radio-Amateurs-Society-For-Development-ERASD/118552214859517

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- APRS (AVRS)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ARDF
WIA ARDF COORDINATOR VK3WWW Jack vk3www@wia.org.au
http://users.mackay.net.au/~ron/
http://www.homingin.com
http://www.ardf.org.au

Sep 23-28 R3 Region 3 ARDF Championship Bendigo VK3
http://r3.ardf.org.au/

Happy Feet has an ICE day !

The emperor penguin affectionately known as "Happy Feet", has been released into the Southern Ocean some 700 kilometres south of New Zealand to begin the long swim home to Antarctica.

The penguin's 2,000 kilometre trip began Fathers Day as he slid down a specially designed ramp from a research ship.

He has been fitted with a transmitter that will allow zoologists and the general public to track his whereabouts.

Happy Feet has been fitted with a Sirtrack KiwiSat 202 Satellite Transmitter which will transmit signals to satellites twice a day for three hours. Transmissions from the KiwiSat 202 will allow monitoring Happy Feet's position as he travels. Each new position will be plotted on the map so we can all follow his progress.

It is not known which direction Happy Feet will travel, hopefully back to his home in the Antarctic, which makes this all the more fascinating and such a rare opportunity to learn about the movements of an amazing animal.

Happy Feet spent six months at Wellington Zoo, after washing up on a New Zealand beach suffering from stomach ailments that had left him near death.

After surgery, the zoo nursed him back to health with fish milkshakes.

The three and half year old bird who has become an international celebrity will spawn a book and documentary about his ordeal.

www.nzemperor.com

(sirtack)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ATV (Every pixel tells a story) - Video
arvideonews.com
hamradiotube.com
youtube.com
qdg.org.au

THE LAST US BASED VOA STATION VIDEO

A fascinating video about the last Voice of America transmitter still operational from the continental United States is now available for viewing on-line.

The video not only details the services provided by this VOA transmitter site but also pays respect to the work of the 16 engineers at the Greenville, North Carolina facility that keep the 60 year old shortwave technology operational and on-the air.

You can sere the University of North Carolina produced video on line at tinyurl.com/voausanc

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- CW
FISTS Club - East Asia www.feacw.net
FISTS Club - Australasia www.fistsdownunder.org
FISTS Club - UK & Europe www.fists.co.uk
FISTS Club - Americas www.fists.org

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- DIGITAL
Australian Coordinator for TCPIP domains is Indy vk2xb@wia.org.au

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FEMALES IN RADIO
ALARA - AUSTRALIAN LADIES AR ASSOCIATION

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

AO-51 MAY SOON BE LOST

The ageing Amsat Oscar AO-51 may appears to be a dying bird. This, according to Control Station, Mark Hammond, N8MH reporting via the Amsat News Service weekly newsletter.

Amateur radio Newsline's Don Carlson, KQ6FM, tells us that since the failure of the first cell on the six-cell battery, ground controllers have been limited to simple commands for basic configurations.

However, features such as telemetry collection and the Bulletin Board are not functional at this time.

And now ground stations have discovered there is a second cell in the battery showing problems. The control team thinks that battery will be the next cell to go If that happens the probable result that their limited manual mode of operation probably will no longer be an option, and the mission might be considered over.

Near-earth asteroid fly-by receiving opportunity

The 400 meter diameter near-Earth asteroid 2005 YU55 will be making a
0.85 lunar distance flyby of Earth on November 8.

Michael Busch at the UCLA Department of Earth and Space Sciences notes this may
an opportunity for amateur satellite operators to observe the fly-by.

Because YU55 will be so close to Earth, its radar echo will be detectable with
even small antennas (~1 m^2). YU55's echo will be a slowly drifting signal with
a bandwidth of ~1 Hz within a few kHz of 2380 MHz or 8560 MHz.

This will present amateur radio operators an opportunity to receive the radar
reflections off of the asteroid because of the big dish, big signals
originating from Arecibo and Goldstone.

Nov 8 19:15 - 19:30 UTC, Arecibo will be transmitting a continuous wave tuned
to put the asteroid's echo at a constant
2380.000000 MHz at the Green Bank Telescope.
Observers elsewhere on Earth will see the echo within
2 kHz of 2380 MHz, Doppler-shifted by the Earth's
rotation. It will be slowly drifting in frequency and
have a bandwidth of ~0.6 Hz.

Nov 9, 01:30 - 02:00 UTC, Goldstone Deep Space Network facility will be
transmitting a continuous wave tuned to put the
asteroid's echo a constant 8560.000000 MHz at a
second antenna at the Goldstone site. Other
observers may see the echo shifted by as much as
6 kHz, and it will have a bandwidth of ~2 Hz.

Initial information can be found on-line at:
http://echo.jpl.nasa.gov/asteroids/2005YU55/2005YU55_planning.html

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- INTERNET --- THE HAMS DOMAIN
TWITTER http://twitter.com/VK1WIA
www.HamRadioNation.com

Telstra has commenced providing its enterprise, government and wholesale
customers with Internet Protocol version 6 (IPv6) connectivity. IPv6 is the
next generation of internet addresses, offering new, longer IP addresses to
overcome the impending shortage of current IPv4 addresses globally.

The WIA News backup news site of wiaq.com suppled by vk4ttt Sam from
ip networks is already ipv6 enabled and also deemed 'Carbon Neutral'.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- Internet Linking of Repeaters

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- IOTA
http://rsgbiota.org

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP --- MILITARY

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP --- NAVAL

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP --- OPTICS
Australian Optical DX Group
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Optical_DX/

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- QRP and WEAK SIGNAL COMMUNICATION

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RADIO AMATEUR OLD-TIMERS
http://www.raotc.org.au

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RADIO SCOUTING

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RESCUE RADIO

Wednesday October 5th 2011
Melbourne Metro Meeting
Red Cross Hall, Knaith Rd, Ringwood East
Contact: Ian Morris VK3IFM phone: 03 9763 0565
Email: ianmorris@iinet.net.au

Sunday October 9th 2011
WICEN (Vic.) Inc. AGM
Box Hill
Contact: Mark Dods VK3ZR phone: 03 9849 0501
Email: madods@optusnet.com.au

Saturday October 15th 2011
YMCA Mini Canoe Marathon
Echuca
Contact: Gerard Werner VK3GER phone: 03 9773 6313
Email: gwerner1@dodo.com.au

Sunday October 23rd 2011
Stockmans Rally
Big River Camp
Contact: Ian Morris VK3IFM phone: 03 9763 0565
Email: ianmorris@iinet.net.au

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS - VHF AND ABOVE

REWIND

SOCIAL SCENE

2011

Sep 16-18 VK4 NQ Amateur Radio Convention Date Set Townsville

Sep 23-28 R3 Region 3 ARDF Championship Bendigo VK3
http://r3.ardf.org.au/

Sep 30-Oct 2 VK4 Central Highlands Amateur Radio Club AGM at Camp Fairbairn
CONTACT Secretary Gordon, (vk4kal@wia.org.au)

Oct 23 VK3 Hamvention Ballarat Sunday.

Nov 20 vk5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society Hamfest
Goodwood Community Centre, Rosa St Goodwood at 0930.

Visit www.ahars.com.au for contact details

Submitting news items

If you would like to submit news items for inclusion in the VK1WIA broadcasts, please email your item in text to nationalnews@wia.org.au

to submit audio read "how to submit items" in the weekly news page on wia.org.au

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Vk1wia-news mailing list
Vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
http://lists.wia.org.au/mailman/listinfo/vk1wia-news

844. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 11th September 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-09 15:00:24 UTC
From: Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk
Message-ID: <20110909150005.6267233C51@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4034
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 11th September 2011

The news headlines:

* Special event stations to mark 9/11

* IARU Region 1 Conference recommends Band Plan changes

* SatNav GPS tests in East Anglia

The ARRL reports that several amateur radio special event stations are being planned in remembrance of those who died in the attacks of 11 September 2001. The Pentagon Amateur Radio Club, K4AF, Blair Amateur Radio Society, W3PN, Northeast Wireless Radio Club, N2WC, Kings County Repeater Association, KC2RA and Symbol Technologies Amateur Radio Club, W2SBL are among those who will be on the air. See www.arrl.org for full details of all the stations involved.

The official minutes of the Final Plenary of the IARU Region 1 General Conference, which contain its Recommendations, is now available on the Region 1 website, www.iaru-r1.org. The 78 Recommendations cover a wide range of subjects that will strengthen efforts to protect amateur allocations, develop new amateurs and accommodate growing activity and innovation. Some of those that affect our Band Plans will need to be carefully reviewed to see how the Recommendations might apply within the UK. This will be led by our Spectrum Managers and Emerging Technologies Committee, ETCC, and discussed within the Spectrum Forum during the autumn, with the aim of publishing the changes in the February 2012 RadCom. Your views and thoughts on the Band Planning Recommendations should be channelled to either the relevant Spectrum Manager, ETCC or special interest groups represented on the Spectrum Forum. Contact details can be found on the web by following the Spectrum Forum Members' link at www.rsgb.org/committees/spectrumforum/spectrum-forum-members.php.

Ofcom has announced an exercise to test the GPS SatNav system. It will take place around the Stanford area in East Anglia between 19 and 23 September and 3 to 7 October. Authorised jammers will be operating between 9am and 5.30pm. Safety of Life operations will at all times take precedence over exercise activities. For further information contact InfoGPS.Notices@ofcom.org.uk.

AMSAT-UK has awarded The Louis Varney G5RV Cup for Space Communications to Paul Robinson, 2E1EUB. The cup is awarded for advances in space

communication. The presentation, by RSGB President Dave Wilson, M00BW, took place at the Telford Hamfest on Sunday, September 4. Paul was nominated by AMSAT-UK for his work promoting and encouraging the use of amateur radio satellites and perfecting the art of a portable ground station.

Due to unforeseen circumstances, the AGM of UKFMGW Western originally planned for 5 September was postponed. It will now be held on Monday 10 October, starting at 8pm, at Grappenhall Community Centre, Bellhouse Lane, Grappenhall, Warrington. The committee asks that any items for AOB be with Paul, G1DVA by e-mail to paul@g1dva.net by midday Monday 12 September. The committee apologises for any inconvenience caused by this change of date, however they look forward to seeing you all on this new, revised date. As part of the European Heritage Open days that are held throughout September, Castles and Stately Homes On The Air will be holding a month long award event called UK & Ireland Heritage Month. Any individuals, clubs or groups can activate locations, throughout September, by registering at www.cashota.co.uk for the UK and www.cashota-ireland.org for Ireland, with all details of the event to be found there as well. Participants may register up until the end of September to participate.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

Today, Sunday 11 September, the Torbay Annual Communications Fair takes place at Newton Abbot Racecourse, Newton Abbot, Devon TQ12 3AF. There will be trade stands, a Bring & Buy and an RSGB bookstall. Doors open at 10am and admission is £2. Details by e-mail to rally@tars.org.uk.

Mold & DRC North Wales Swap & Sell will take place on 14 September at Mold Rugby Club, Mold, Flintshire, North Wales. It's a silent key, shack surplus, bring and buy, junk swap and sell evening. Doors open at 8pm. Details from Steve, GW7AAV on 01244 819 618.

On 17 September the Fog On The Tyne Rally will be held at Whitehall Road Methodist Church Hall, Bensham, Gateshead NE8 4LH. Organised by Angel of the North ARC & South Tyneside ARS, the doors open at 10.30am and admission is £2. Details from Nancy Bone, G7UUR on 01914 770 036 during the evening.

The 21st Great Northern Hamfest takes place in the Metrodome Leisure Complex, Barnsley S71 1AN on 18 September. Doors open at 11am and there will be trade stands and special interest groups. More information from Ernie, G4LUE on 01226 716 339.

On 18 September the Belgium Amateur Radio & Computer Rally takes place at Hall 'Lotto Mons Expo', Mons, which is 50km south of Brussels. Doors open at 9am and Talk in is available via repeaters on 145.600MHz & 430.325MHz. Plenty of international traders will be present. Details at www.on6ll.be.

Midland Amateur Radio Society will be holding an open day, at the club QTH, from 10am to 4pm on 24 September. Plans are underway for refreshments, meet the training staff and there will be displays of photographs QSL cards, the original 1931 minute books and their cups and awards stalls and operating using GB8OTH. More information from the club website www.midamradio.net

Now for the news of special events

Churches & Chapels On the Air takes place this weekend, 10 and 11 September, from 10am to 4pm. There will be several stations on the air, mainly 40 and 80m SSB with special event callsigns. The organisers say, please give the stations a call.

GB4CFV will be put on the air by members of the Friskney & East Linconshire Communications Club. Visitors are welcome to come and join them or call them on the air on 11 September at Church Farm Museum in Skegness. They plan be active on 2m FM and will be using PSK, SSB and CW on the HF bands. Preston ARS will put GB1AVR for Ackworth Vintage Rally on the air on 11 September from Lanes Farm, Ackworth.

Throughout September, special event station GB2JB will be on the air to commemorate the life and birth place of Jack Binns, radio operator of the Passenger Ship Republic in 1909. Operation will be from Coney Court, Brigg and is run by Brigg & District Amateur Radio Club.

GB0SMA will be on the air from Stow Maries Aerodrome on 11 September for the Vintage Fly In. Stow Maries Aerodrome in Essex is probably the best preserved World War 1 airfield in the UK with over 20 of the original buildings still standing. It was home to 37 Home Defence Squadron, Royal Flying Corps and then 37 Squadron, Royal Air Force. The site owners have invited Dengie Hundred Amateur Radio Society to establish a permanent amateur radio station at the site under the call sign GB0SMA and to operate that station during the various open days and events held throughout the year.

Northumbria Amateur Radio Club & The Border Amateur Radio Society will be operating GB2BCL from Barmoor Castle near Lowick in Northumberland on Sunday 18 September, commemorating the battle of Flodden Hill. GB2BCL will be operational on most HF frequencies. The event manger Roy, G0AXJ welcomes visitors to the station that will be active from 10am through to 7pm. GB2BCL will be situated at Barmoor Castle's west entrance gate. Talk-in will be available on 145.500MHz. For more information please visit www.g4aax.org.uk or telephone Roy on 07421 659 150.

And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

ZA1TC will be on the air until 14 September from Durres in Albania. The station will consist of a Kenwood TS-570D, FD-4 Windom antenna plus 80m dipole. This is his first solo trip. QSL to TCSWAT at PO Box 73, Karakoy, 34421 Istanbul, Turkey or via the TA QSL Bureau. More details on QRZ.com.

Marko, S55EI will be in Morocco until 20 September and will be active as CN2EI. He will be on 40, 6 and 2m. QSL to his home callsign.

Gab, HA3JB has renewed his Egyptian licence and plans to be active as SU/HA3JB from now until the end of November. He will be active on all bands from 160 to 10m using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK, plus possibly some SSTV.

Harry, 7Q7HB is on the air again from Malawi until 23 November. He will be as active as possible but is subject to power cuts. Only direct QSLs are available via G0IAS.

Now the contest news

The 2nd 70MHz contest takes place today, 11 September, from 0900 to 1200UTC. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

Tuesday 13 September is the 432MHz UK Activity Contest from 1900 to 2130UTC. Using all modes on the band the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator. The following day, 14 September, is the 80m Club Sprint. Using SSB from 1900 to 2030UTC, the exchange is both callsigns, serial number and locator.

The Worked All Britain 144MHz Low Power Phone Contest takes place next Sunday, 18 September, from 1000 to 1400UTC. Low power means a maximum power of 10 watts. The exchange is signal report, serial number and WAB square. Full details of the rules and logsheets may be obtained from the WAB website www.worked-all-britain.co.uk or from the Contest Manager G3XKT by e-mail to aebbooks@ntlworld.com.

Also next Sunday, 18 September, the BARTG Sprint 75 takes place from 1700 to 2100UTC. All activity is on 75 bauds. Exchange a serial number only. Entries are single-op only and all-bands only, with a special sections for `experts', defined as anyone who has had a top 10 placing in any BARTG contest from 2008 onwards.

And now the solar factual data for the period from the 29th of August to the 4th of September, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on the 5th of September.

Numerous sunspot groups were visible every day, in fact nine were visible on the 31st. These groups produced a small number of small C class solar flares every day. However, on the 3rd and the 4th a small complex region emerged close to the west limb and produced numerous C class and one M class solar flare before it rotated out of view a couple of days later. Several large coronal mass ejections took place, many from the back side of the Sun, but none seems to be heading directly our way. Solar flux levels responded well to the number of sunspot groups and increased from 101 units on the 29th and the 30th to 119 by the 3rd and the 4th. The average was 111 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 4th was 98, that's one unit up on last week. X-ray flux levels increased from B2.4 units on the 30th to B6.3 by the 4th, the average was B3.6 units. Geomagnetic activity was quiet every day

except for the 3rd when a weak coronal hole disturbance arrived, the Ap index that day was 13 units compared to the quietest day with an Ap of 2 units on the 31st. The average was Ap 6 units. Initially solar wind speeds slowed from 500 kilometres per second on the 29th to 270 by the 2nd but then increased to 450 in response with the disturbance. Particle densities remained low every day. Bz varied between minus 12 and plus 8 nanoTeslas on the 3rd and between minus 2 and plus 3 nanoTeslas on the quiet days.

And now the solar forecast. This week the quiet side of the Sun is expected to be rotating out of view. Solar activity should be low but could increase on the occasional day. Solar flux levels should be above the 100 mark for most of the week. Geomagnetic activity is expected to be at quiet levels every day. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 24MHz for the south and 21MHz for the north. The daytime highs are now starting to take place earlier in the day, usually around midday, as is expected during the winter months. Darkness hour lows should be about 10MHz. Paths this week to Japan should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 19MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 14MHz. the best time to try this path will be late morning around 1100 hours UTC.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your

transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS Derby RAYNET Amateur Radio Group announces it has no social meetings this month as they are on RAYNET duties. Contact Martin, G7MKS, via email to contactus@derbyraynet.co.uk.

On Monday 12 September Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is having an informal evening and is on the air on HF. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Monday 12 September South Birmingham Radio Society is painting and renovating the shack. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Monday 12 September Sutton Coldfield Amateur Radio Society is holding a general meeting with discussions and is on the air. More information from Robert Bird, by email to spirit.guide@hotmail.co.uk.

On Tuesday 13 September Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 13 September Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is having a valve testing evening. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Tuesday 13 September Mid-Warwickshire Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on the switchover to digital TV. Details from Don, G4CYG, on 01926 424 465.

On Tuesday 13 September Worcester Radio Amateurs Association is having a talk on Colossus by Mike Ferriday. Details from Rich Moles, M0UVA, via email to secretary@m0zoo.co.uk.

On Wednesday 14 September Lincoln Short-Wave Club is preparing for National Hamfest and putting G6COL on the air. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Wednesday 14 September Midland Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting, training classes and trying layouts for the 80th Birthday Exhibition. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 01214 229 787.

On Wednesday 14 September Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a debrief on Hamfest and discussing projects for the winter. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday 15 September Cheltenham Amateur Radio Association is holding its 3-20 Show. Contact Derek Thom, G3NKS, on 01242 241 099. On Thursday 15 September Salop Amateur Radio Society is having a calibration night and QRP rig walkthrough. Details on the club website at www.salop-ars.org.uk.

On Thursday 15 September South Birmingham Radio Society is having training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Friday 16 September Coventry Amateur Radio Society is having a committee forum. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

On Friday 16 September South Birmingham Radio Society is having a construction evening. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Saturday 17 September Lincoln Short-Wave Club is preparing for National Hamfest. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND On Monday 12 September Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is holding an Intermediate exam. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Monday 12 September Bolton Wireless Club is having a talk on the North West Air Ambulance. For details, send an email to boltonwireless@gmail.com.

On Monday 12 September Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is holding a technical forum and the second of its Foundation course taster sessions. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 12 September Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on electromagnetic systems in the aerospace Industry by Ian MacDiarmid of BAE. Details on the web at www.tcars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 13 September Chester & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. Details from Barbara Green on 07957 870 770.

On Tuesday 13 September Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is holding its AGM at the Old Post Office public house, Winding Road, Halifax, HX1 1SJ, starting at 19:15. Contact Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341 317.

On Wednesday 14 September Hambleton Amateur Radio Society is on the air. More information from Tony Wilson, G3MAE, on 01609 881 530.

On Wednesday 14 September Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the 80m Club Sprint SSB contest. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Wednesday 14 September South Lancashire Amateur Radio Club is holding a quiz night. Contact Rina Horner, M3YRH, on 07789 311 521.

On Wednesday 14 September Tynemouth Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the RSGB 80m Club Sprint SSB contest as G5N. Contact Bob, M6KLO, by email to mail@g0nwm.com. On Thursday 15 September Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is having a digital modes demo night. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 07876 085 631.

On Thursday 15 September South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having a talk on the Swedish DXpedition by Peter, G0BHP. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Thursday 15 September Wakefield & District Radio Society is holding a committee meeting and is on the air. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563 117.

On Friday 16 September East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is having a radio components catalogues evening. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Friday 16 September Tynemouth Amateur Radio Club is holding a radio & related book exchange and sale night. Contact Bob, M6KLO, by email to mail@g0nwm.com.

On Saturday 17 September Angel of the North Amateur is at the Radio Club Fog on the Tyne Rally. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Saturday 17 September Wakefield & District Radio Society starts a new Intermediate course and continues its Advanced course. Details from David, G4CLI, on 07748 221 855.

On Sunday 18 September Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is at the Great Northern Hamfest. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND On Monday 12 September Greenisland Electronics Amateur Radio Society is on the air on 2m. Details from Peter Lowrie, MI5JYK, by email to mi5jyk@rsgb.org.uk.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday 13 September Kilmarnock & Loudoun Amateur Radio Club is having a club night. Contact Graham, MM3GDC, by email to mm3gdc@btinternet.com.

On Tuesday 13 September Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having an operating evening. Details from Norman, on 07740 946 192.

On Wednesday 14 September Lothians Radio Society has its President's Address on surface mount construction techniques by Pete Bates, GM4BYF. Contact Andy Sinclair, by email to secretary@lothiansradiosociety.com.

On Thursday 15 September Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is on the air and holding Morse practice. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663.

On Friday 16 September Moray Firth Amateur Radio Society is holding its AGM at Fogwatt Village Hall near Elgin. Details from Jim Nicol, MM0SMD.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA Advance notice now that Crystal Palace Radio and Electronics Club will be starting a Foundation course on Saturday 24 September, leading to an exam on 22 October. Anyone interested in going on the course should contact, G3OOU, on 01737 552 170 as soon as possible.

On Sunday 11 September Bittern DX Group is at Ingworth Trosh. Details from Linda, G0AJJ, on 01692 404 154.

On Sunday 11 September Crawley Amateur Radio Club is hosting the Microwave Round Table. There will be demonstrations, presentations, equipment and component sales, all microwave related. Refreshments are available and visitors are welcome.. More information from John, G3VLH, on 01342 714 402.

On Sunday 11 September Dengie Hundred Amateur Radio Society will be operating GB0SMA at Stow Maries Aerodrome, Essex, during a vintage fly-in. Stow Maries is probably the best preserved World War 1 airfield in the UK and this will also be a chance to see many vintage aircraft. Event details are online at www.stowmaries.com and Dengie Hundred ARS is at www.dhars.org.uk.

On Monday 12 September Coulsdon Amateur Transmitting Society is holding an equipment sale. Details from Steve Beal, G3WZK, by email to secretary@catsradio.org.

On Monday 12 September West Kent Amateur Radio Society is having a meeting night. Details from Keith, G4JED, via email to westkentars@googlemail.com.

On Tuesday 13 September Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Tuesday 13 September Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is having a club net night. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Tuesday 13 September Harwell Amateur Radio Society is having a club meeting. Contact Malcolm, G8NRP, on 01235 524 844.

On Wednesday 14 September Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting at Danbury Village Hall. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Wednesday 14 September Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a Members Forum and invites members to bring along their radio equipment. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday 14 September Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is having an informal, construction, and shack evening, plus taking part in the RSGB Club Sprint SSB contest. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Wednesday 14 September South Essex Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on homebrew antennas by Dave, G4UVJ. Details from Dave, G4UVJ, on 01268 697 978. On Wednesday 14 September Southgate Amateur Radio Club is holding the Great ERG Race. Contact David Sharp, M0XDS, by email to david.sharp1@tesco.net.

On Wednesday 14 September Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a discussion evening. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816 684.

On Thursday 15 September Cray Valley Radio Society is having a presentation by Nobby Styles, G0VJG, describing his preparations for the DXpedition to Christmas Island. Details from Bob, M0MCV, on 02082 657 735 after 8pm.

On Thursday 15 September Horndean & District Amateur Radio Club is having15-minute talks by members. Contact Stuart, G0FYX, on 02392 472 846.

On Thursday 15 September Horsham Amateur Radio Club is at The Dun Horse, Mannings Heath, RH13 6HZ. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk.

On Thursday 15 September Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a club night at the shack. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564 242.

On Thursday 15 September Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by David, G8UOD on where we would be without wireless. Details from David, G8UOD, on 01234 742 757.

On Thursday 15 September Sutton & Cheam Radio Society is having a talk on repairing vintage radios by Dave Smith, G0SXD. More information from John, G0BWV, on 02086 449 945.

On Friday 16 September Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a radio night and table top sale. Contact Peter, G4AKG, on 01444 239 371.

On Friday 16 September Wey Valley Amateur Radio Group is having a talk by Roger Ballister, G3KMA. Details on the web at www.weyvalleyarg.org.uk.

On Saturday 17 September Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is at Grand Henham Steam Rally, Southwold. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564 242.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST On Monday 12 September Exeter Amateur Radio Society is having a club night at the Moose Centre. More information from Nick, M6NRJ, on 01363 775756.

On Tuesday 13 September Mid Somerset Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on radio aurora by Graham Kimbell, G3TCT. Contact Nick, M6NJB, on 01749 346 320.

On Tuesday 13 September Plymouth Radio Club is having a talk on operating PSK by Ted Bolt, G1HHD, from Dartmoor Radio Club. Details from Chris, M0ZCP, on 07834 767 161.

On Wednesday 14 September Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048. On Thursday 15 September Cornish Radio Amateur Club is having a workshop evening. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844 939.

On Thursday 15 September South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is looking at views of Lundy. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

On Thursday 15 September Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having an activity night. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Thursday 15 September Yeovil Amateur Radio Club Building is building Project 2 with G3PCJ. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk.

On Friday 16 September North Bristol Amateur Radio Club is on the air. More information from Dick on 01454 218 362.

On Friday 16 September Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a post-rally wash-up meeting. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES Castles and Stately Homes on the Air, or CASHOTA, welcomes a new representative who has been appointed for Wales. Andrew, M6ADB will now process and issue activation numbers for any Welsh historical or heritage sites. As normal anybody wishing to activate a site should go to www.cashota.co.uk to complete an activation form, were you can also find contact details for Andrew.

845. Youth in the Second Century Committee Needs Your Input

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-09 17:49:35 UTC
From: ARRL Members Only Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20110909171650.DD52A20AC5@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 4035
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

At its July 2011 meeting, the ARRL Board approved a motion authorizing the appointment of a Youth in the Second Century Committee. ARRL President Kay Craigie N3KN has appointed the committee, which is chaired by Rocky Mountain Division Director Brian Mileshosky N5ZGT.

The purpose and goals of this committee are to enhance the League's outreach to potential Amateurs among America's youth. The League's centennial in 2014 will highlight not only the accomplishments of the past but also point towards Amateur Radio's future. Meaningful plans to excite young Americans about Amateur Radio today and in the future must take into account the ideas, lifestyles, and experiences of youthful Amateur Radio operators.

The Committee on Youth in the Second Century will seek input from youth and also from adult Amateurs working with young people, and will make recommendations to the Staff and the Board of Directors. The Committee will report to the Board of Directors beginning in January 2012.

We are all very aware of the importance of getting more young people involved in Amateur Radio. Many of you are making a difference in young people's lives and doing exciting things to interest youth in our hobby. ARRL needs your input on how we can improve our outreach to young Americans. A system for providing input to the committee will be announced soon. I would appreciate it if you would also share your thoughts and comments with me, so that working together, we can all help with this vital effort for the future of Amateur Radio. Thanks.

73, Cliff K0CA

ARRL Midwest Division
Director: Cliff Ahrens, K0CA
k0ca@arrl.org
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846. SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 11 SEPTEMBER 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-10 19:00:13 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
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SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 11 SEPTEMBER 2011

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. PLEASE NOTE: for audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 and 3,695 MHz SSB.

SILENT KEYS

It is with deep regret that it must be reported that the keys of two radio amateurs went silent recently. They are:

Charlie Stevens, ZS1AWG, member of the South Cape Amateur Radio Club on Thursday 18th August 2011 in George in the age of 81 years.

Dennis Hugo, ZS1UV (ex ZS6US), member of the Garden Route Radio Club, in the age of 87 years. Dennis was ininterruptedly an SARL member since 1948.

Our sincere condolences to the relatives and friends of the deceased.

(PAUSE)

In the news today:

SARL ICASA MEETING

EMAIL NEWSLETTER

SPECIAL RUGBY WORLD CUP CALLSIGNS DOWN UNDER

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting news items.

SARL ICASA MEETING

A SARL delegation met with ICASA Spectrum Management staff on Thursday and discussed various regulatory issues. Representing the SARL were Colin de Villiers, Francois Botha and Hans van de Groenendaal.

ICASA shared some of their proposed corrections to the regulations with the SARL including the correction in the class B age issue and the table of amateur frequencies. The question of receivers with continuous tuning was discussed at length and agreement was reached that ICASA will relook at the specific regulation. Various proposals were put on the table. The SARL will engage ICASA again this week in an effort to finalise the matter. The SARL also requested that it be minuted that ICASA will not enforce the current rule and will not take any action against radio amateurs until the matter has been resolved. ICASA agreed.

It was agreed that the SARL will host a two-day workshop for Spectrum Management Staff and members of various other departments of ICASA. The objective is to develop a better understanding about amateur radio and its contribution to engineering and technology in South Africa. During the workshop the concept of an advanced licence with additional privileges will be discussed and a way forward developed. Mid to end February is indicated as a possible time frame of when the workshop will be held.

The question of licensing between the SADC countries was discussed. A discussion document for tabling at the next meeting of CRASA, the Communications Regulators Association of Southern Africa, will be prepared by ICASA. The SARL suggested that as an interim measure ICASA should allow visitors from SADC countries who are licensed in their country to operate in South Africa.

The question of a new allocation in the 5 MHz band was discussed and ICASA agreed to formulate a Government Gazette to invite public comment on the proposal.

The WRC12 agenda item 1.23 seeking allocations around 500 kHz were discussed. As Hans van de Groenendaal, ZS6AKV, is the SARL representative on the DOC WRC12 Industry committee and rapporteur for agenda item 1.23, he will update the South African position on as agreed at a recent DOC/Industry meeting and share it with ICASA for consideration to achieve an interim ad hoc South African allocation.

Colin de Villiers discussed the correction of the ICASA database. A progress report will be shared with the SARL during October.

Discussions took place regarding changes to the financial systems to ensure more accurate accounting of licence payments.

The next meeting will be held on 8 December.

SARL MEMBERSHIP BREAKS THE 1 200 MARK

The membership of the SARL broke the 1 200 mark this week and on Friday stood at 1 210. If you have not yet renewed you will still have a few more days before your membership benefits will end. Pay by cheque, by bank deposit or electronics transfer. Details are on the invoice you received or call Mariska on 011 675 2393,

EMAIL NEWSLETTER

To keep members more informed a regular newsletter will be emailed to members. Please ensure that your email address is recorded in the SARL member data base. If you do not receive the first edition of SARL UPDATE by Monday, please send an email to admin@sarl.org.za with your email address. SARL UPDATE will only be available to members by email and on the web.

SPECIAL RUGBY WORLD CUP CALLSIGNS DOWN UNDER

On the air, keep your ears open for some New Zealand radio amateurs to replace their ZL prefix with a ZM prefix throughout September and October. This, in celebration of the Rugby World Cup which runs from September 9th through October 23rd.

Also listen out for two special event stations in celebration of the Rugby event. The first has the unique call of ZL4RUGBY. It will be on the air through October 31st. QSL via ZL4PW.

The other is ZL6RWC. It will be operated by various members of the Papakura Radio Club, which will also be operational through October 31st. Please QSL ZL6RWC via ZL1VK, direct, via the bureau or electronically using Logbook of the World.

ANNUAL JAMBOREE-ON-THE-AIR 15th and 16th October 2011

Dave Gemmell, ZS6AAW, the SA National JOTA coordinator invites all interested radio amateurs and Clubs to "help" with this year's Jamboree-on-the-Air, to be held on 15th and 16th October 2011.

Do not wait for the young people to ask you !

Any amateur may make contact with JOTA/JOTI stations, but it will be better if Girl Guides and/or Boy Scouts are also invited to the station but the best will be if a station is erected at a Guide or Scout hall and involve the Guides and Scouts with the erection of antennas for instance. Also demonstrate the different modes for instance CW, SSB and possibly digital modes. The effort will probably be not more than that during club meetings en the young people will appreciate it and will have a beter understanding of amateur radio.

Please ensure that your station is registered as aan educational station with the SARL office as the unlicensed youngsters may then also operate the equipment on the amateur bands.

The following are web addresses where more information regarding the JOTA or JOTI events maybe obtained:

a) www.scout.org - Scout website for international scouting info. b) www.jota.sub.cc - JOTA information only. c) www.joti.org - JOTI information only.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP reports that Sunspot 1283 is producing flares so intense they are visible through solar telescopes in backyards 93 million miles away. Sunspot 1283 has a "beta-gamma-delta" magnetic field that harbors energy for X-class solar flares. Sunspot 1289 is expanding in size but is not as magnetically complex as 1283. This could however change and the week ahead is going to be very interesting!

For the people doing their own frequency predictions the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be less than 50.

20 to 15 m will provide the best DX opportunities with even some 10 m openings also possible due to the higher solar activity.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS From today onwards - Make a financial contribution towards the 7P8EME DXpedition which takes place from 14 to 26 September. 15 September - Last day to send a high resolution picture of the participant operating during the ZS6JVT Youth Sprint to saardt@intekom.co.za. 18 September - Last day to submit logs for the ZS6JVT Youth Spring Sprint Competition. So far few logs have been received, thus submit yours without delay. 23 September - Take your hand-held to work today. 24 September - RTA in Gauteng. 25 September - Intecnet at 19:30. 15/16 October - Jamboree on the air. Till 31 October - ZL-stations with ZM prefixes and ZL4RUGBY and ZL6RWC on the air.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 750 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 18:30 CAT on 3 230 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by George, Z6SNE.

Thank you for listening, 73.
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========== Message Ends ========== To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp.

847. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 11th September 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-11 20:00:17 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20110911200003.A773533C78@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4037
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Irish Radio Transmitters Society
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HF Band Plan

A revised IARU Region 1 HF Band Plan has been published. The changes are minor, and affect 40 metres and 10 metres only.

On 40 metres, the CW contest-preferred segment of 7000 to 7025 kHz has been withdrawn; this means in practice that CW contests on 40 metres are no longer confined to the first 25 kHz segment. There have also been changes to the FM part of 10 metres, with adjustments to the simplex channels and the addition of four new repeater channels.

See www.irts.ie/downloads for a copy of the new Band Plan, which includes notes detailing the changes.

IRTS AGM 2012

Preliminary notice that IRTS AGM will be held weekend of 21st/22nd April 2012. Dundalk Amateur Radio Society will host the event at the Fairways Hotel,Dundalk.

Licence Examination

The next theory examination for the Harmonised Amateur Radio Examination Certificate (HAREC) will be held on Friday, 14th October next at 2.00 p.m. in the ComReg offices in Dublin. Full details, including entry procedure and examination fee, are available at www.irts.ie/exam '

Limerick Radio Club

Limerick Radio Club would like to thank their members who took part in the following Summer activities. Visit to the Shannon Air Traffic Control Centre, Annual Lighthouse weekend with over 600 QSO's, Special event station at Atlantic Airventure Shannon with over 100 QSO's. The club also carried the installation of a new security door at their 2M repeater site. Club meetings will resume in October.

CASHOTA UK

Due to the rising awareness of ROC (Royal Observation Corp) Bunkers and facilities with amateurs, CASHOTA (castles and stately homes on the air) have compiled a UK ROC Location List within its website. It was thanks to the efforts of Phil G0ABY and Roger G0TRB that this came about, and consequently they have agreed to continue their excellent work and become CASHOTA's ROC Representatives. All contact details and the list, if you wish to activate a site can be found at www. CASHOTA.co.uk. If you require further information, please contact Bobby MI0RYL on 048 3885 2712.

Mayo Radio Experimenters Network

The annual Mayo Radio Experimenters Network club radio rally will take place on Sunday 20th November 2011. Doors open at 11.00 am.

The venue will be the Welcome Inn Hotel in Castlebar.

If you would like further details please contact: Rally Organiser - Padraic Baynes EI9JA on 087 - 695 7154 (email pbaynes1 at eircom /dot /net), or email club PRO. David Hatfield EI3ECB on ei3ecb at gmail /dot /com or text or phone the club mobile phone number 086 20 89 777.

DX News

A multi-national team will activate Timor Leste (also known as East Timor) from 16-26 September. The callsign will be 4W6A and they plan to on all bands 160-10m on CW, SSB and RTTY. As well as being quite a rare DXCC entity this expedition will count for OC-232 in the IOTA programme as the QTH will be on the island of Atauro. QSL manager is M0URX and logs will also be uploaded to Logbook of the World.

You may remember that a Belgian team attempted a landing on Rockall in May 2009. This was unsuccessful due to the weather conditions at the time. They are now planning to try again with the projected date being around 27/28 September. Rockall is the rarest of the European IOTA islands with only one activation a few years ago when just over 200 QSOs were made. The IOTA reference is EU-189.

Eric K9GY has been active as T6MO from Bagram Air Base in Afghanistan. He expects to move soon to Loghar Province where his callsign will be T6LM. QSLs go via his home call.

A group of operators from the Czech Republic will be in Greenland from 16-26 September. They will sign OX4OK and also OX/homecalls. Look for them on 80-10m and also on 2m EME.

Radio hams tune in to space airwaves

John Heath G7HIA has written an article about amateur radio space communications for the October edition of the British Interplanetary Society magazine Spaceflight. The Spaceflight description says: "Radio amateurs have always been keen to exploit new means of communication and John Heath [G7HIA] provides a fascinating insight into how satellite technology has transformed the world of the radio ham soon after the launch of Sputnik right up to the present day." The article covers the FUNcube satellite, ARISSat, GB4FUN and the FUNcube Dongle SDR.

Louis Varney G5RV Cup

The Louis Varney G5RV Cup for Space Communications has been awarded to Paul Robinson 2E1EUB by RSGB president Dave Wilson M00BW. The cup is awarded for advances in space communication and the presentation took place at the Telford Hamfest on Sunday, September 4.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 4th-September, through Sunday, 11th-September there were 221 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4W, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5Z, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9U, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, R1FJ, S5, S7, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T32, T5, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TN, TR, TT, TU, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VP8, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD9, ZF, ZK2, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

4W6, TIMOR-LESTE. The 4W6A team should be fully operational by the morning (UTC) of September 17th. Operators Steve/9M6DXX/4W6AA, John/9M6XRO, Tim/M0URZX, Anthony/MW0JZE, Bernd/VK2IA/4W3M, Oliver/MW0JRX/4W6A and Stuie/VK8NSB/4W6SB will be active as 4W6A from Atauro Island (OC-232) on all

bands, 160-10 meters, using CW, SSB and RTTY with up to four stations simultaneously. Col, MM0NDX, will be their Pilot station for the 4W6A operation and may be contacted at: dxer59@gmail.com
The team hopes that the log search will be available from the Clublog facility, but this is dependent on a reliable Internet connection being available on the island. The QSL Manager is M0URX, direct (SAE plus 1 IRC or 2 USDs), by the Bureau, or LoTW. The entire log will be uploaded to LoTW as quickly as possible after the end of the operation, or if possible, also during the DXpedition. Direct or Bureau QSLs may also be requested using the M0URX Online QSL Request Service (OQRS). There is also a link from the 4W6A Web site at: http://www.4w6a.com

6V, SENEGAL. Jeff, N1SNB, will be active as 6V7V from La Somone during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. Jeff is expected to be there between November 23-29th. Outside the contest Jeff informs OPDX that activity will be on 160/80 meters on CW and SSB. QSL via N1SNB.

7P, LESOTHO. Operators Arnold/WB6OJB and Frosty/K5LBU will once again be active as 7P8JK and 7P8CF, respectively, between September 14-22nd. Last time Arnold was on the HF bands, 40-10 meters using mostly SSB with some CW. Frosty will probably be mainly on PSK31 and as well as some RTTY. QSL via their home callsigns.

7Q, MALAWI. Ely, IN3VZE, will once again be active as 7Q7CE from the southwest shore of Lake Malawi in Resort Club Makokola <www.clubmak.com> and from the shack of his friend Harry, 7Q7HB, between September 16th and October 3rd. Activity will be holiday style on 80-10 meters using SSB and RTTY. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct.

8Q, MALDIVES. Oku, JK1KSB, will once again be active as 8Q7SO from Mirihi Island (AS-013) between October 28th and November 4th. Activity will be holiday style on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via his home callsign.

ADIF SEARCH WIDGET AVAILABLE. Marek, DH9SB, states, "because more and more DXpeditions use Wordpress, I've written a widget for Word Press that can do a search for callsigns in the log/s. It supports more than one callsign and references. And of course, the log can be uploaded as ADIF to different logbooks." More information is available at: http://dh9sb.dx-info.de/2011/wordpress-adif-search-widget

BV100, TAIWAN. Members of the Republic of China (Taiwan) Centenary Foundation continue to activate special event station BV100 between now and December 31st, 2011. Activity is to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Republic of China (Taiwan). Operations will be on all bands and modes. Complete details on a operating schedule and how to earn a BV100 award is available at: http://www.bv100.tw/EN
QSL via BV2KI at: Bruce Yih, P.O.Box 84-609 Taipei, Taiwan 100
ADDED NOTES (Contest Activities):
* Operators Tang/BM2AAV, Eddie/BV2DD, Bruce/BV2KI, Evan/BV2KS, Lee/BV2NT, Kenichi/BW/JP1RIW and Lee/BX2AB will be active as BV100 during the

CQWW DX RTTY Contest (September 24-25th) as a Multi-? entry. QSL via BV2KI.
* Operators Tang/BM2AAV, Eddie/BV2DD, Bruce/BV2KI, Evan/BV2KS, Lee/BV2NT, Lee/BX2AB, Tall/BX9AAA, Chung/BX4AF and Pro/BX4AN will be active as BV100 during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Multi-? entry. QSL via BV2KI.
* Operators Tang/BM2AAV, Eddie/BV2DD, Bruce/BV2KI, Evan/BV2KS, Lee/BV2NT, Lee/BX2AB, Chung/BX4AF and Pro/BX4AN will be active as BV100 during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Multi-? entry. QSL via BV2KI.

CIS DX QPSK63 CONTEST. The European PSK Club has the honor to invite radio amateurs from all over the world to participate in the 2011 CIS DX QPSK63 Contest. The objective of the contest is to establish as many contacts as possible between radio amateurs around the world and radio amateurs in the "Commonwealth of Independent States" by using the QPSK63 mode. The Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS) is a regional organization whose participating countries are former Soviet Republics, formed during the breakup of the Soviet Union. Everybody can work everybody for a QSO and multiplier credit. The CIS DX PSK Contest is held every year on the third weekend of September. This year it starts at 12:00 UTC on Saturday, September 17th, and ends at 12:00 UTC on Sunday, September 18th. The rules and other information can be found at the contest Web site: http://www.cisdx.srars.org
This second year it is strictly a QPSK63 contest, no other modes are allowed. Every participant should send a correct RSQ report and his/her four-digit DXDA number. An example of an exchange for W6EPC from the State of California is 599 2053. Maritime and aircraft mobile stations should send an RSQ report and four zeros, such as 599 0000. You can find your correct DXDA number at the corresponding list:
http://www.eupsk.com/documents/dxda-list.xls
The maximum output power is 100 watts. Recommended frequencies are:
160 meters (1838 1840 kHz), 80 meters (3582 3590 kHz), 40 meters (7040
7050 kHz), 20 meters (14072 14080 kHz), 15 meters (21072 21080 kHz), and 10 meters (28072 28080 kHz).

EG8, CANARY ISLANDS (Special Event). Jose, EA8CNR, informs OPDX readers to look for EG8LM to be on the air between September 16-18th. Activity is to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the Fiestas de Las Mar as in the city of Santa Maria de Guia on the Island of Gran Canaria (AF-004, DIE S-005, WLOTA L 0969). Operations will be on 40/20/15/12/10 meters SSB only. QSL Via EA8CNR, by the Bureau or direct.

HP36, POLAND (Special Event). Look for special event station HF36POL to be on air to celebrate the departure of the "36th Polish Antarctic Expedition to the ARCTOWSKI Station in the Antarctica. QSL via SP9YI, by the Bureau or direct. The Expedition leaves from Gdynia onboard the "MS Polar Pioneer" and is expected to reach Admiralty Bay on King George Island around the November 6th. Details about the base can be found at:
http://www.arctowski.pl/index.php?p A special "ARCTOWSKI Antarctic Award" is available thanks to the Polish Academy of Sciences, Department of Antarctic Biology in Warsaw, and the

Polish Amateur Radio Union.

IOTA NEWS.............
AS-049. Ken, JS3OMH, will be active as JS3OMH/6 from Toshima, Kuchino-
shima, Kodakara and Akuseki Islands, all part of the Tokara
Island group, between now and September 14th. Activity will
be on 40/30/20/17 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. As
this was being typed, Ken was active from Kuchinoshima Island
(in the Kagoshima Prefecture). He originally was going to be
active from the very rare Island of Taira, but due to a typhoon,
high winds and heavy rain, Ken had to abort his trip to the
island. QSL via the Bureau or see QRZ.com.

EU-136. Dusan, S52DG, will be active as 9A/S52DG/P from Krk Island
(CI-046), Croatia, September 22-25th. Activity will be on
160-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign.

EU-189. (Update OPDX.1026) The same Belgian team that made an attempt
to land and operate from Rockall Island in May 2009 is about
to set sail again for their second try. Only this time they
have a much larger vessel with a variety of tools that should
warrant a safe landing in almost all sea or weather conditions
including a helicopter! They expect to be on the air around
September 27th or 28th, depending on how long it takes to get
to the rock. Operation from the ship will use ON4ATW/MM.
Estimated travel time is about 4 days from the harbor in
Antwerp. Callsign to be used when on Rockall is MM0RAI/p.
QSL via ON4ATW (LoTW, by the Bureau or direct). Keep an eye
on their Web site for last minute updates and news at:
http://www.rockall.be

OC-233. Laurie, VK7ZE, along with a few friends on holiday, plan to
activate King Island, as VK7ZX between November 3-7th, weather
permitting. He mentions that this is not a DXpedition, but an
operation in participating in the 150th anniversary celebration
of the King Island Lighthouse (LOTA AUS-050, ILLW AU-0082 and
VK Shire KI7), the tallest lighthouse in the Southern Hemi-
sphere. They will be on air as much as possible, mainly on 20
and 40 meters. Laurie requests, "Please do not ask for other
bands etc, we are travelling in a very small two seater plane
and as it is, have to make many trips to the Island just to
get ourselves and equipment there. There are no trees to attach
antennas to, and we are not allowed to use the lighthouse for
attaching antennas." If possible, they will upload logs to eQSL
and LoTW while there, if not it will be done when they return
home. For details on the lighthouse, see:
http://www.kingislandlight150.com

J45, DODECANESE. Martin, ON4PO, will once again be active as J45PO
between October 23rd and November 3rd. Activity will be mostly SSB
and some PSK31. QSL via ON4PO.

K6, UNITED STATES (Special Event). Mark, KM6HB, for the 7th straight year will operate as special event station, K6P, between September 16-18th. Activity is to commemorate "National POW-MIA Recognition Day" and "Honor and remember those that have served". Mark states, "Please work us as we take time to say thanks to those men and women who endured hardship as POW's and those that are MIA and still waiting to come home." Suggested SSB frequencies are: 7250, 14253 and 18150 kHz (+/- QRM). QSL for a picture QSL card via KM6HB: Mark McMullen, P.O. Box 27271, Santa Ana, California 92799, USA. Logs will be uploaded to EQSL and LOTW.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (September 12-18th)....
Sep 12 AN SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS
Sep 13 AN --------------------
Sep 14 AN BN - Below Normal
Sep 15 AN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Sep 16 AN LN - Low Normal
Sep 17 AN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Sep 18 AN DIS - Disturbed
VDIS - Very Disturbed

GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

LX, LUXEMBOURG. A group of German and Luxembourg operators will be active as LX8M between September 22-25th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and various Digital modes. They will be active during the CQWW RTTY Contest (September 24-25th). QSL via operator's instructions.

MOST WANTED DX SURVEY (2011) NOW AVAILABLE. Carl, N4AA, editor of "QRZ DX/The DX Magazine", has announced that the "2011 Most Wanted DX Survey" is now available in the September/October issue of DX Magazine and also on-line at: http://www.dxpub.com/dx_survey2011.html
He states, "Although you can use the form from the magazine, it is preferable that you use the on-line method to respond. It makes things so much easier when we tally the results after October 15th. Remember the overall results will be published in the Jan/Feb 2012 issue of "The DX Magazine" and the world-wide results will be posted to the Web site around January 15th, 2012, as well. The breakdown by mode/Low Bands will be published in the Mar/Apr 2012 issue of the magazine." PLEASE NOTE: Carl adds, "South Sudan is not on the form this time. Although there was an operation from there this year (ST0R), it is not expected that the confirmations will be available before the October 15th deadline for it to be included in this survey. At this point in time, South Sudan will be considered to be 'WANTED' by everyone. Obviously it will be included on the survey next year."

PG540, THE NETHERLANDS (Special Event). Look for special event stations PG540BUFFALO or PG540BUFFALO/J to be active between October 10th and November 3rd. Activity is to celebrate the friendship between the ham

group "Project Groep .540" (in Kennemerland), and "The Buffalo's" (the scouting in Zandvoort). The bands/modes of activity were not provided. QSL contacts with PG540BUFFALO via the QSL Manager PA2REH, direct or by the Dutch QSL Bureau (region R50). QSL the JOTA contacts with PG540BUFFALO/J via the QSL Manager PA0SNY, direct or by the Dutch QSL Bureau (region R20). See QRZ.com for more details.

PJ4, BONAIRE (Update). Excerpts from a bulletin (No. 2) put out by some members of the Provins ARC F6KOP team announce that the team will activate Bonaire (SA-006, WLOTA L1279) as PJ4C between January 12-23rd, 2012. The team originally was going to activate something possibly in Africa, Asia and Pacific, but after a few month of hard work, they had to cancel many of them for different reasons (mostly security related to the last events in the world). Also, some were just too expensive for their team. Finally, they chose to go to Bonaire (PJ4) because they found a place to accept all their equipment and operators. Thanks to the help of Peter, PJ4NX, everything has been organized very fast. Their goal will be 80,000 QSOs in 11 days, and maybe get the RTTY world record back. Operations will be on CW, SSB and RTTY, with as least 6 stations, 24 operators, and on the air 24 hours a day. The team members are experienced operators and include: Franck/F4AJQ (team leader), Peter/PJ4NX, Dave/K4SV, Gabriele/ I2VGW, Bill/N2WB, Nobert/DJ7JC, Heye/DJ9RR, Guenther/OE3GCU, Karl/ OE3JAG, Eric/ON7RN, Henri/F1HRE, Yann/F1NGP, Jimmy/F4DLM, Michel/F5EOT, John/F5VHQ, Jean-Luc/F6BIV, Alain/F6ENO, Joel/F6JMT, Jean-Paul/F8BJI, Bernard/F9IE, Rein/PA0R, Kenneth/OZ1IKY, Gerard/F2VX, Francis/F5QF and Tony/F8ATS. More details and updates can be found at: http://www.pj4c.com

PJ5, SABA AND ST. EUSTATIUS (Update). Operators Wlodek/SP6EQZ and Janusz/ SP6IXF will once again be active as PJ5/SP6EQZ and PJ5/SP6IXF from St. Eustatius (NA-145) between October 19th and November 4th. They will be active exactly from the same QTH (Grid Loc. FK87ML) as last time. Activity will be on all HF bands, 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY, running two high power stations using wire antennas, verticals and a Spiderbeam. QSL via their home callsigns, direct or by the Bureau. Logs will be uploaded to <http://www.clublog.org/> during the DXpedition. The DX-pedition's Web site is under construction and will be ready before the activity.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated September 11th)

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4J0SFR via 4J5T EH1SDC via EA1AUM SN10WTC via SP7PKI
5B/RN3QO via N2UCK EH2SDC via EA1AUM SV5/DL2DXA via DL2DXA
5B4/HA9RT via HA9RT EH5SDC via EA1AUM SV5/G2JL via G2JL
5B50J via 5B4AHJ EH9SDC via EA1AUM SV8/OE3GSA/MM via
OE3GSA
9A/OM1II via OM1II EM0UBC via UR4UXD SV9/DL1TX via DL1TX
A25/ZS6AYU via ZS6AYU EN1IFF via UR3IBV T5/TA1AMC via TA1AMC
A65EE via IZ8CLM F5SHQ via MJ0ASP TF/SM7RYR/P via SM7RYR

AH0BT via 7L1FPU HB9O via HB9BRG TK/IK2WZM via IK2WZM
AP2NK via W3HNK IB0/IQ6LN via IQ6LN TK/IW5ELA via IW5ELA
C98LW via UY5LW IF9/IZ5JMX via IZ5JMX TM1MAD via F5KLJ
CG9HF via VE9HF IS0/DK7ZB via DK7ZB TM33LDX via F5CWU
CR3L via DJ6QT IS0/DL6NDW via DL6NDW UN1O via IK2QPR
CT9/DJ6KS via DJ6KS IS0/DL8JJ/M via DL8JJ VE1/KA4KDZ via KA4KDZ
CT9/DJ8OG via DJ8OG K4S via KJ4AJP YO/US0VA via US0VA
E7/S57XX/P via S57XX LY37L via LY2BOK YT0ZR via YT0ZR
EA3/HB9BXE via HB9BXE LY37Q via LY4Q ZA/OK1MBZ/P via OK1MBZ
EA6/OE2UKL via OE2UKL OH0HG/1 via JA1HGY ZG2FX via G3RFX
ED1FIM via EA1URV OH3/DL2RVL via DL2RVL ZS9Z via ZS1OIN
EF1DR via EA1DR R650FN via UA4FU ZW1AS via PY1NP
EG1ERE via EA1RCM SN0PGEA via SP2KCQ

QSL MW/I1RBJ via F/I1RBJ (listed under I1RBJ on QRZ.com). Last weekend's MW/I1RBJ operation was a joint effort with some G hams and was from St. Tudwal's Island (EU-106). ADDED NOTE: Paul I1RBJ, states, "All M/I1RBJ and EJ/I1RBJ August QSLs shall be cleared (processed) in the next 15 days."

QSL PG6N via PA7DA, by the Bureau or direct. Activity was this past weekend from the Noordwijk Lighthouse (ARLHS NET-019, Admiralty B0760), located on the Vuurtorenplein in Noordwijk aan Zee, The Netherlands.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 9M4SDX, 9U0A, 9X0SP, A25VB, D20VB, FS/W6IZT, J48O, JD1BMH, PJ2/DJ8NK, T2XG, V51VV and VU2NXM

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3D2IR, 5N7M, 9M6XRO/P, C21YY, CY0/K8LEE, CY0/N1SNB, EH8BPX, FG5DH, HI3TEJ, HK7AAG, HR9/WQ7R, K6VVA/KL7, MD2C, MD0CCE, OA4TT, OY/PA2A, PP0T, RA1QQ, TO2FH, YS1AG, YT1AR and ZC4MIS

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 3B9WR, 6V7W, 9Q50ON, B7P, BD7LMT, CE0Y/LA9SN, J38XX, JW6VJA, OD5/ON4JM, PJ4B, PJ5/SP6EQZ, T2G, T2UF, T30SM, TX3D, TY6A, VK9N/G3MXJ and ZP6CW

T5, SOMALIA. Murat, TA1AMC, is now active as T5/TA1AMC from Mogadishu for the next three months. Activity will be limited to his spare time because he is a member of the "Turkish Ministry of Health's National Medical Rescue Team" (UMKE). Activity has been mainly on 15 meters SSB (watch 21260 kHz). QSL via the TRAC Bureau (Digital QSOs ONLY eQSL.CC).

T6, AFGHANISTAN ACTIVITIES (Updates/Correction).....
* Eric, K9GY, continues to be active as T6MO from Bagram Airfield in Afghanistan. He did not leave to go to FOB as mentioned in last week's bulletin (It was an error/mix-up... See next item). T6MO was active all last week on 40/17/15/12 meters CW. QSL via K9GY (USA: SASE [no return postage, no return QSL]--- Outside USA: SAE + 1 USD or SAE + 1 IRC [if you don't have both then no return QSL]). He will upload to the ARRL LoTW and ClubLog periodically.

* Les, WB8LES, Defense Contractor pilot who is stationed in FOB (Forward Operation Base) Shank, Loghar Province, Afghanistan. He is expected to be active as T6LB in October. He will be using an ICOM 7000 and

will be purchasing a sloper antenna from AES. Les will be posting the times and frequencies (for 40/20 meters) on QRZ.com for those who need a T6 confirmation.

* Branko, 9A3PM, is now active as T6BP from Kabul Airport until April 2012. Activity will be limited as Branko is a member of the Croatian Army and operations will only take place during his spare time. Look for him to be on the HF bands using CW and the Digital modes. QSL via 9A6AA.

TL, CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC. Rudi, DK7PE, will be active as TL0CW from Bangui, CAR, on a "one-man DXpedition" between October 26th and November 3rd. He states that CAR is not a real tourist place and the accommodations are very expensive (see details on QRZ.com). Activity will have an emphasis on 160/80 meters CW. QSL via DK7PE. For more details and updates, visit Rudi's Web page at: http://www.rooody.de

TM33, FRANCE (Special Event). Look for special event station TM33LDX to be active between now and September 24th. Activity is to celebrate the 33rd meeting of the Clipperton DX Club which is being held at Noirmoutier (dep 85) this year between September 23-24th. QSL via F5CWU. Log will be uploaded to LoTW. For more details about the Clipperton DX Club, see: http://www.cdxc.org

VP8ORK SOUTH ORKNEY ISLAND DVD NOW AVAILABLE. It has been announced that the 2011 VP8ORK MicroLite Penguins DXpedition's to South Orkney Islands DVD by well known DXpedition video photographer James Brooks, 9V1YC, is now available for 25.00 USDs and shipping will begin on September 21st. To order yours today, go to: http://www.dxvideos.com/vp8orkvideo.htm

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)

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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW

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http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html

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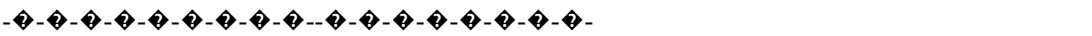
- 

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849. Stop by Hamwave

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-12 05:10:37 UTC
From: Mike <kk2dog@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <f7191704-8657-424f-afbe-f54afedaa891@v8g2000yqa.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4039

We've re-done the site, so take a peek: www.hamwave.com

850. Re: Stop by Hamwave

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-12 20:37:12 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <83477a56-2d31-4de1-a351-1670bbf708b0@dq7g2000vbb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4040

On Sep 12, 1:10 am, Mike <kk2...@gmail.com> wrote:
> We've re-done the site, so take a peek: www.hamwave.com

more spam well at least it is ham spam

851. KAJAL AGARWAL LATEST HOT WITHOUT TOP

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-13 09:34:27 UTC
From: SAMARA <jaidatta9247@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <5334301b-1364-4896-83fb-d22b3c095d59@14g2000prv.googlegroups.com>
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LATEST HOT TAPSEE KISSING STILLS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/06/tapsee.html
KAJAL AGARWAL ROMANTIC STILLS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/05/kajal-agarwal.html
TAMANNA BEAUTIFUL PHOTOS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/05/tamanna.html
ANUSHKA SHETTY HOT SAREE STILLS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/06/anushka-shetty.html
SNEHA RARE PHOTOS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/05/sneha.html
NAMITHA HOT NAVEL SHOW
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/05/namitha.html
ILIYANA HOT WALLPAPERS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/05/iliyana.html
PRIYAMANI LATEST SPICY PHOTOS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/05/priyamani.html

FOR ONLY HOT GUYS SEE THIS
TOP 20 HOT ACTRESS PHOTOS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/hot-actrsess.html
KAJAL AGARWAL LATEST HOT
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/kajal-agarwal-hot-photos.html
LATEST AMISHA PATEL HOT PICS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/amisha-patel-hot.html
TAPSEE DIFFERENT STILLS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/tapsee-hot.html
PRIYAMANI HOT PHOTOS
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ARTHI CHABRIA HOT PHOTOS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/aarti-chabria-hot.html
DIYA MIRZA HOT PHOTOS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/diya-mirza-hot.html
KATRINA KAIF HOT PHOTOS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/katrina-kaif-hot.html
DEEPIKA PADUKONE HOT PHOTOS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/deepika-padukone-hot.html
NAMITHA HOT PHOTOS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/namitha-hot-photos.html

852. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 05 - 11 September 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-13 21:30:24 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20110913213002.2EDB533C51@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4042
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# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
05 - 11 September 2011

During the period, solar activity ranged from low to high levels due
to a total of 7 M-class and 2 X-class events. The sharp increase in
activity from the previous period originated from two regions;
Region 1286 (N20, L=304, class/area Dso/080 on 03 September) and
Region 1283 (N14, L=226, class/area Dai/230 on 07 September).

The period began at moderate levels due to two M1 x-ray events
observed originating from Region 1286 at 05/0428 UTC and 05/0758 UTC
respectively.

Solar activity increased to high levels on 06 September. Region 1283
produced an M5/1b flare at 06/0150 UTC and an X2/2b at 06/2220 UTC.
The M5 flare had associated Types II and IV radio sweeps and an
Earth-directed full-halo CME. The CME had an estimated speed of
approximately 450 km/s, based upon STEREO-A COR2 data, with the bulk
of the ejecta directed north of the ecliptic plane. The X2 flare was
associated with Types II and IV radio sweeps, a 740 sfu Tenflare and
an Earth-directed halo CME. The CME had an estimated speed of around
800 km/s, based on STEREO-A COR2 images, with the bulk of mass
directed north of the ecliptic plane. 07 September saw high levels
again as Region 1283 produced more major activity. Another major
event was observed near the end of the 7th when Region 1283 produced
an X1/3b at 07/2238 UTC with associated weak Types II and IV radio
sweeps, a 1300 sfu Tenflare, and a non-Earth-directed CME. High
activity levels persisted on 08 September when Region 1283 produced
an M6/1n at 08/1546 UTC associated with a weak Type IV radio sweep.

Solar activity decayed to moderate levels on 09 September when
Region 1283 produced two M-class flares. The first was an M2/1n at
09/0609 UTC with an associated Type II radio sweep (estimated
velocity 717 km/sec) and a non-geoeffective CME. The second was an
M1/1f at 09/1249 UTC. On 10 September, a significant filament
eruption centered near N10W48 occurred around 10/0300 UTC.
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Associated with this eruption was a partial-halo CME (plane-of-sky speed of 620 km/s). As it neared the west limb, Region 1283 produced an M1/Sn at 10/0740 UTC with an associated limb-event CME. On 11 September, solar activity further decreased to low levels. A long duration C6/Sf flare was observed at 11/0851 UTC from Region 1283 as it rotated around the west limb.

There were no proton events observed at geosynchronous orbit. However, two separate enhancements, both in the 10 MeV and 100 MeV energy levels, were observed in the wake of the M5 event early on 06 September and the X2 event late on the 6th. The first enhancement saw a peak of 2.4 pfu at 06/1410 UTC at 10 MeVs and 0.15 pfu at 06/0850 UTC at 100 MeVs. The second enhancement saw a peak of 8.8 pfu at 07/0715 UTC at 10 MeVs and 0.4 pfu at 07/0410 UTC at 100 MeVs. Protons at all energy levels declined to background levels by 08/1800 UTC.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at moderate levels on 05 - 06 September, reached high levels on 07 - 09 September and declined to normal levels on the 10th. Moderate levels were observed again on 11 September.

The geomagnetic field ranged from quiet to severe storm levels. The period began with mostly quiet conditions from 05 September through midday on 09 September. Brief periods of active to minor storm conditions were observed at high latitudes on 06 September due to extended periods of southward Bz. Midday on 09 September, two sudden impulses (SI) were observed at 09/1243 UTC and 09/1250 UTC (16nT and 28nT respectively, as measured by the Boulder USGS magnetometer). At 09/1150 UTC, ACE data indicated an interplanetary shock arrival preceding the Boulder SIs. Bt reached up to 24nT, Bz dropped to -23nT, density spiked up to 35p/cc, wind speeds peaked at 602km/s, and temperature increased. As a result, geomagnetic activity levels increased to active to isolated high latitude severe storm levels. Activity was due to combined CME effects associated with 06 - 07 September major flare activity. The storm conditions persisted through 10 September. Late on 10 September, solar wind speed increased to around 620 km/s while the total IMF field (Bt) dropped to around 4nT indicating a likely transition into a negative polarity coronal hole high speed stream (CH HSS). Mostly quiet to unsettled levels were seen on 11 September with an isolated minor storm period at high latitudes.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
14 September - 10 October 2011

Solar activity is expected to be at low to moderate levels through 10 October. A slight chance for an X-class event is possible on 18 September through 07 October as old Regions 1286 (N20, L=304) and 1283 (N14, L=226) rotate back on to the visible disk. Chances for major activity will further increase on 24 September through 01 October when both regions are on the visible disk. Activity is

expected to decrease to low to moderate levels from 08 October through the remainder of the period.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit through 17 September and again from 08 - 10 October. There is a slight chance for a proton enhancement from 18 September through 07 October due to potential flare activity from Regions 1283 and 1286.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at high levels from 14 - 17 September and normal to moderate levels 18 - 25 September. High levels are expected on 26 - 27 September due to effects from a geoeffective CH HSS. Normal to moderate levels are expected from 28 September - 01 October. High levels are expected again on 02 - 03 October due to another CH HSS. Normal to moderate levels are expected from 04 - 09 October followed by another period of high levels on 10 October due to a third CH HSS.

The geomagnetic field is expected to be mostly quiet through the period. Unsettled conditions are possible on 18 - 19 and 24 - 25 September due to recurrent CH HSS rotating into a geoeffective position. Unsettled conditions with isolated active periods possible are expected on 30 September as a positive polarity CH HSS becomes geoeffective. Unsettled conditions will continue into 01 October. Mostly quiet condtions are expected from 02 through 07 October until another recurrent CH HSS becomes geoeffective. Mostly unsettled conditions are then expected from 08 - 10 October with isolated active periods possible on 09 October.

853. [DXNL] DXNL 1745 (Sep 14, 2011)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-13 22:48:33 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <7260903703.20110914004520@dxhf.darc.de>
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4W, EAST TIMOR, OC-232
The team of 9M6DXX, 9M6XRO, M0URX, MW0JZE, VK2IA, VK8DX and VK8NSB
will be QRV as 4W6A from Atauro Island (OC-232) from Sep 16-26. They
will work in CW, SSB and RTTY on 10m-160m with three stations incl.
two amplifiers, several verticals and vertical dipoles.
QSL via M0URX, LoTW, online QSL request service (OQRS) for bureau QSLs.
http://m0urx.com/oqrs
http://www.4w6a.com/qsl-information
http://www.4w6a.com

7P, LESOTHO
Arnold,WB6OJB, will be QRV again as 7P8JK from Sep 15-22. The last time
he was working mostly in SSB and some CW on 40m-10m.
Frosty,K5LBU (7P8CF), is travelling with Arnold.
QSLs via homecalls (direct).

Pine,ZS6OB (7P8EME), Wynand,ZS6ARF (7P8QRO), Dick,ZS6BUN (7P8BUN),
Pieter,ZS6PA (7P8PA), Dan,HB9CRQ (7P8RQ), and Hermann,DL2NUD (7P8HP),
are going to visit Lesotho from Sep 14-26. The group will sign 7P8EME
mainly in CW on HF up to 50 MHz, on UHF up to 1,296 MHz (no 4m) and on
2m/6m Tropo, Meteorscatter and EME. This operation is supported by the
South African Radio League.

7Q, MALAWI
Eli,IN3VZE, is going to hit the airwaves as 7Q7CE from Club Makokola
at the coast of Lake Malawi in the southwest of the country between
Sep 16 and Oct 3. He will work holiday style in SSB/RTTY on 80m-10m.
QSL via homecall.

9H, MALTA, EU-023
Gabor,HA3JB, is active as 9H3IP von Malta (EU-023) in CW/RTTY/PSK31/
SSTV/SSB on 80m-10m from Sep 6-27. He plans to take part also in the

CQWW RTTY Contest. QSOs with him are also good for the HA IPARC award.
QSL via HA3JB (direct with SAE).
If you are an IPA member you can send him an e-mail to ha3jb@t-email.hu
See also: http://www.ha3jb.com/mailing_address.html

EA8, CANARY ISLANDS, AF-004
The special event call EG8LM will be activated during the bicentennial
"Fiestas de Las Marias" from Sep 16-18 only in SSB on 40m/20m/15m/12m/
10m from AF-004 (DIES-005, WLOTA L 0969). QSL via EA8CNR.

F, FRANCE
The Clipperton Contest Club is operating the special event station
TM33LDX during the 33rd meeting of the club until Sep 24.
QSL via F5CWU. The log will be uploaded to the LoTW as well.

HI, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, NA-096
After extending the license Yukon John,KL7JR, and his XYL Claire,WL7MY,
will be active from the northern coast of Hispaniola (NA-096) signing
HI3/KL7JR in SSB on HF (focus on 12m/17m/40m/80m/6m) until 2013.
They also plan some experiments with mobile antennas and Wilson FGT-2
CB mini yagis from their balcony on the 3rd floor. Their equipment
includes also a Kenwood TS-570D, Ten Tec 599, a vertical loop (10-20m),
TAK antenna 80 (40m/80m) and others. Skeds are possible via e-mail to
KL7JR@yahoo.com
The QSL route can be found on QRZ.com.

I, ITALY
Guenter,IA5/DL3NBI, will show up in PSK, RTTY and SSB mostly on 20m
from Isola del Giglio (EU-028/IIA GR-002) from Sep 14-22.
QSL via homecall.

IP1/IQ1SP (SSB/CW on HF) and IP1/IK1WVR (SSB on 6m/2m) will be QRV from
Tino Island (EU-083/IIA SP-002) from Sep 16-18. They have a special
permission from the Italian navy which allows operation only from
0800 until 1400 UTC.

JW, SVALBARD, EU-026
Morten,LA9DFA, will sign JW9DFA from Spitsbergen (EU-026) mainly in CW
and only little RTTY/SSB on HF and maybe also 6m from Sep 14-19.
He plans to take part in the Scandinavian Activity Contest (Sep 17/18)
in CW as JW3C. QSLs for both calls via LA9DFA.

KH0, MARIANA ISLANDS, OC-086
Al,W6HGF/KH0, will be active from Saipan (OC-086/USI NI002S/WLOTA 1333)
from Sep 20-30. He will focus on RTTY and joins the CQWW RTTY Contest
also. Other modes will be used as well, if time permits.
QSL via LoTW preferred, direct is ok as well.
Check his website at: http://www.qsl.net/w6hgf/SAIPAN-W6HGF_KH0.html
Al also plans a trip to Ascension Island (ZD8) in November 2011 and
another visit to Miquelon Island (FP) in March 2012.
We'll keep our fingers crossed!

LX, LUXEMBURG
A few HAMs will be QRV as LX8M in CW, SSB and digital modes on 80m-10m
from Sep 22-25. They plan to take part in the CQWW RTTY Contest.
QSL routes will be announced by the operators or via LoTW, eQSL or
direct via DJ1ER (see QRZ.com).

OJ0, MARKET REEF, EU-053
OJ0J will be activated from Sep 19-27 including the WWDX RTTY Contest.
If you are interested to join the team on short notice please contact
Carsten,DL6LAU, via e-mail to: carsten.esch@appello.de

OX, GREENLAND, NA-018
Jiri,OK1IEC, Jan,OK1JK, Jiri,OK1JST, and Vaclav,OK1VVT, plan to show up
as OX4OK or OX/homecalls from the clubstation OX2A at the Kangelussuaq
airport from Sep 16-26. They will work on 80m-10m and on 2m EME (JT65b)
QSLs via homecalls or via OK1JST.

OZ, DENMARK, EU-088
Bernd,DL8AAV, is signing OZ0JAV from Laeso Island (EU-088) till Sep 24.
QSL via homecall.

S5, SLOVENIA
The special event station S550ACP celebrates 50 years of HAM radio in
Brezice from Sep 1 until Nov 30. QSL via S59ACP, eQSL, LoTW.
For more information check: http://s59acp.org

SP, POLAND
The club of Krotkofalowcow (SP6ZJP) is celebrating its 25th anniversary
by activating the special callsign 3Z25ZJP. QSL via SP6ZJP.
More information can be found at: http://www.skpo.glubczyce.info/newses

ST, SUDAN
Robert,S53R, is QRV again from Khartoum signing ST2AR on 160-6m.
He plans to join the WAE SSB Contest also. QSL via homecall (direct).

SV, GREECE, EU-174
Fred,SV8/PA1FJ/p, is active working in SSB and CW on 40m-6m from
Thassos Island (EU-174) until Sep 19. QSL via PA1FJ.

SV9, CRETE, EU-015
SV9/LZ3FN will be on the air in CW and SSB on all bands from Sep 15-24.
QSL via LZ1PM.

T5, SOMALIA
Murat,TA1AMC, is on a humanitarian mission in Mogadischu and will be
QRV as T5/TA1AMC during his spare time for the next three months.
Listen for his QSL route announcement.

T8, PALAU, OC-009
Tatsuo,T88TO (JA8CMC), and Atsushi,T88GO (JA8FAA), are working from
Palau (OC-009) in CW/SSB on 80m-10m from Sep 6-19. QSLs via homecalls.

Ulf,DL5AXX, will be QRV from the Palau rental shack signing T8UE mostly
in CW from Sep 18-28. He will join the CQWW RTTY Contest as T8XX.

QSL requests are preferred via his homepage http://www.dl5axx.de/dxlog
or via bureau to his homecall.

W, USA
The Pearl River DX Association is activating the special event station
W2WTC (World Trade Center) in SSB on 17m/20m/40m from Sep 8-30.
QSL via K2HJB.

The special event station K6P will be active during the
National POW/MIA Recognition Day from Sep 16-18. QSL via KM6HB.
The log will be uploaded to eQSL and LoTW.

YU, SERBIA
The four special event stations YT16ARDF, YU16ARDF, YT16IARU and
YU16IARU are activated until Sep 20 next year to support the 16th IARU
World Amateur Radio Direction Finding Championships (Sep 10-15, 2012).
More information can be found at: http://www.ardf2012.org

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Sep 17/18: Scandinavian Activity Contest
Sep 17/18: CIS DX QPSK63 Contest
Sep 18: North American Sprint
Sep 18: BARTG Sprint 75

New editor of the DXNL IOTA column

After becoming the chairman of the DARC Committee for DX and HF Contesting
I had to shift my priorities to other tasks. I am very glad to introduce
the new editor for the IOTA column of the DX Newsletter: Klaus,DL7UXG, born
in 1957 and living in Berlin. Klaus is on the air since 1974 and also held
the callsigns DM4XIG, Y51SL and Y28XL. His main focus lies on award hunting,
IOTA, lighthouses and the WFF program. Klaus is working mostly in CW or
digital modes.

I wish Klaus all the best and success and want to thank everybody for
supporting me with your information.

73 de Ric, DL2VFR

Editor's Note:

Special thanks from the DXNL team are going to Ric,DL2VFR, for helping us
out temporarily with a lot of IOTA news!
Welcome to Klaus,DL7UXG, who takes over the work of Ric!

IOTA collected by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
EU-014, TK, Corsica: Heinz,TK/DF6ZY, will be QRV in SSB/RTTY/PSK31 on
80m-10m from Sep 18-30. Listen for him on the phone IOTA frequencies
and also in the CQWW RTTY Contest. QSL via homecall or via bureau.

EU-024, IS0, Sardinia Island: IS0/DL8JJ/m is working from several places
on the island until Sep 19. QSL via homecall.

EU-189, GM/MM, Isle of Rockall: The same Belgian team which planned an
activity from Rockall in 2009 will give it another try on Sep 27/28.
However, this depends on the time they need to get to the island but
they will work as ON4ATW/mm from the ship. The estimated travel time
is four days from the port in Antwerpen. If they arrive on the island
they will use the callsign MM0RAI/p from Rockall.
QSLs via ON4ATW (via bureau, direct or LoTW).
More updates can be found on their website: http://www.rockall.be

NA-143, W5, Texas State East group: K5KUA/5 plans tot show up from
Galveston Island on Sep 17/18. QSL via homecall (bureau/direct).

OC-022, YB9, Bali Island: On their way to Timor-Leste GM3OOK and G4JVG will
be QRV from Sanur (Bali Island) signing YB9/homecall from Sep 12-16.
QSLs for both calls only via M0URC (bureau/direct).

Bandspots of the last 7 days

40m
IB0/IQ6LN 7.115 0746Z EU-045, via IQ6LN (B)
OZ/DL1ANT/p 7.015 1955Z EU-171, via homecall (B)
PJ6/K9VV 7.001 2201Z via K5WW (d)
TK/IW5ELA 7.078 0726Z via IW5ELA (B)

30m
IS0/IZ4JMA 10.120 19Z18 EU-024, via homecall (B)
Z35KKK 10.110 1803Z
ZL6RWC 10.123 0455Z via ZL1VK (B), (L)

20m
CT9/DJ8OG 14.264 2200Z via DJ8OG (B)
EN1IFF 14.044 1502Z URFF-099, via UR3IBV
IM0/IW2MXY 14.260 0609Z EU-041, via homecall (B)
LZ44WFF 14.044 1655Z LZFF-062, via LZ1BJ (B)
N4EX 14.063 1834Z SOTA W4/EP-001
SV9/ON6DSL/p 14.275 1106Z SOTA CR-002
OH3/DL2RVL 14.043 1508Z OHFF-003, via homecall (B)
UN44Q 14.043 1651Z via UN8GU
UT9IO/p 14.028 0715Z EU-182
VA2OTA 14.060 2226Z via VE2JCW (d), SOTA LR-009
VR2UW 14.040 1645Z (B)
W4MPS 14.063 1819Z SOTA W4/EP-001, (B)
ZL4TE 14.060 0542Z (B)

17m
OY1CT 18.076 1244Z (B)
PJ4LS 18.082 2158Z see QRZ.com

15m
A61Q 21.017 1555Z via EA7FTR
J28AA 21.023 1538Z via K2PF (B)
PJ2/DH2AK 21.271 1338Z via DH2AK (B)
PJ6/K9VV 21.027 2038Z via K5WW (d)
SV9/WB2GAI/p 21.011 0836Z via WB2GAI (B)
YB4IR 21.015 1438Z (L), (d), eQSL
4Z5IW 21.033 1559Z
5Z4FM 21.030 1410Z (L), (d), eQSL

12m
FG5FR 24.894 2123Z (d)
PT7ZT 24.950 2132Z (B)

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(L) = LoTW
(r) = bureau QSL via e-mail request

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-31Sep 3Z176DORR 1744
-25Oct 5B50J 1700
-Apr/12 5Z4RH ? 1674
14Sep-26Sep 7P8EME 1745 *
15Sep-22Sep 7P8JK 1745 *
16Sep-3Oct 7Q7CE 1745 *
-23Nov 7Q7HB 1717/1743
-30Nov 8J1MORSE 1731
-31Dec 9A11P 1723
-21Nov 9A20V 1743
06Sep-27Sep 9H3IP 1745 *
02Sep-14Sep 9H3JN 1743
-Sep 9J2KK 1682
-2012 9J2RI 1739/1742
NOW 9M2/KM9D 1731
LONG TERM 9N1FE 1740
SOON 9Q1EK 1669
-Nov 9Q6CC 1699
-25Sep 9U7T 1742

-? A35CT 1741
-31Dec BP100 1684
-31Dec BV100 1684

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-30Sep DR16BENE 1741
-Jul/12 FR8NE 1710
-31Dec HB60LU 1711
-31Dec HG15IPA 1724
01Jan-31Dec HG200LST 1708
Sep -2013 HI3/KL7JR 1745 *
06Sep-16Nov HK3JCL 1743

14Sep-22Sep IA5/DL3NBI 1745 *
01Jan-31Dec IA7MM 1708
01Jan-31Dec II1ITA 1708
-31Dec II4LXV 1742
01Mar-30Sep IO4UI 1717
10Sep-17Sep IM0/IZ4JMA 1743
16Sep-18Sep IP1/IQ1SP 1745 *
27Aug-02Oct IR2LV 1742
-19Sep IS0/DL8JJ/m 1745 *
-2012 J28FJ 1739
-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul/12 J28RO 1683
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
-Oct JG8NQJ/JD1 (M) 1739
17Sep-18Sep JW3C 1745 *
14Sep-19Sep JW9DFA 1745 *

01Sep-30Sep K3GV/VY2 1743
17Sep/18Sep K5KUA/5 1745 *
06Sep-8Sep K6VVA/KL7 1743
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
-May/12 KH4/W5FJG 1728
POSTPONED KH5 1674/1705/1741
-31Dec LA200D 1713
22Sep-25Sep LX8M 1745 *
-18Sep LY37A 1744
-31Dec LZ85R 1721
08Sep-15Sep N3U/Flt93 1744

01Sep-30Sep OE2XXM 1743
01Sep-30Sep OE5XXM 1743
19Sep-27Sep OJ0J 1745 *
16Sep-26Sep OX4OK 1745 *
12Sep-24Sep OZ0JAV 1745 *
-Sep P29CW 1713
-Mar/12 P29FR 1742
01Sep-25Sep PA11WSF 1743
01Jan-31Dec PA30 1708
30Sep-01Oct PG6MILL 1742

01Sep-30Nov R300ML 1743
-Dec RI1ANC 1708
SOON RI1F/UA1PBA 1740
-Sep/12 RI1FJA 1741
-Sep/12 RI1FJM 1741
-30Nov S550ACP 1745 *
UNKNOWN ST2AR 1745 *
01Sep-30Nov SU/HA3JB 1743
13Sep-19Sep SV8/PA1FJ/P 1745 *
15Sep-24Sep SV9/LZ3FN 1745 *
29Aug-30Sep SV9/WB2GAI/P 1743

28Sep-26Oct T32C 1740
-Nov T5/TA1AMC 1745 *
-Nov T6FR 1742
-Jun/12 T6MO 1733
-Nov T6SH 1734
18Sep-28Sep T8XX 1745 *
06Sep-19Sep T88GO 1745 *
06Sep-19Sep T88TO 1745 *
18Sep-30Sep TK/DF6ZY 1745 *
10Sep-24Sep TK/F4FRL 1744
10Sep-24Sep TK/F5RBB 1744
-24Sep TM33LDX 1745 *

-Dec VK0BFG 1741
-Mar/12 VK0KEV (Macq) 1700/1701
10Sep-18Sep VK9OL 1744
08Sep-30Sep W2WTC 1745 *
20Sep-30Sep W6HGF/KH0 1745 *
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
-14Nov XF1/K5ENS 1739
NOW XT2RJA 1712
12Sep-15Sep YB9/G4JVG 1744
12Sep-15Sep YB9/GM3OOK 1744/1745 *
07Sep-14Sep ZA1TC 1744
-Sep ZC4MIS 1732
-Sep ZD9GI 1691
09Sep-16Sep ZK2AB 1744
19Aug-31Oct ZL4RUGBY 1741
-31Dec ZL50GH 1711
-Oct ZL6RWC 1744
-2012? ZS6KX/7 1740

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

A25/ZS6AYU via ZS6AYU (B)
A65EE via IZ8CLM (B)
AH0BT via 7L1FPU (B)

AP2NK via W3HNK (d)
C98LW via UY5LW (d)
CG9HF via VE9HF (B)
CR3L via DJ6QT (B)
CT9/DJ6KS via DJ6KS (B)
CT9/DJ8OG via DJ8OG (B)
E7/S57XX/p via S57XX (B)
EA3/HB9BXE via HB9BXE (B)
EA6/OE2UKL via OE2UKL
ED1FIM via EA1URV (B)
EE8YG via EA8YG
EF1DR via EA1DR (B)
EG1ERE via EA1RCM (B)
EG8LM via EA8CNR (B)
EH1SDC via EA1AUM (B)
EH2SDC via EA1AUM (B)
EH5SDC via EA1AUM (B)
EH9SDC via EA1AUM (B)
EM0UBC via UR4UXD (B)
EM20V via UR2VA (B), (L)
EM5UCC via UT7UJ (B), (L), eQSL
EN1IFF via UR3IBV
F5SHQ via MJ0ASP (B), (L)
GB5SCT via M0XIG
HB9O via HB9BRG (B)
HG7T via HA7TM (B)
HG8SDS via HA8PH (B)
HI3/KL7JR via KL7JR
HS0ZEX via DL9MDZ
IA5/DL3NBI via DL3NBI
IB0/IQ6LN via IQ6LN (B, automatically)
IC8L via IZ8EGM
ID9/IT9LKX via IT9LKX (B)
IF9/IZ5JMX via IZ5JMX (B)
IG9/IZ0FYL via IZ0FYL (B), eQSL
IH9/I0KLV via I0KLV
II0IADU via IW0HP (B)
II0ITA via IQ0RM (B), (L), eQSL
IS0/DK7ZB via DK7ZB (B)
IS0/DL6NDW via DL6NDW (B)
IS0/DL8JJ/m via DL8JJ (B), (L)
JA1NLX/VK4 via JA1NLX (B)
JW/DC8TM via DC8TM (B)
JW/DF3TS via DF3TS
JW/OE9SDV via OE9SDV (B)
JW2PA via LA2PA (B)
JW3C via LA9DFA
JW9DFA via LA9DFA
K4S via KJ4AJP
K6P via KM6HB

KH2L via W3HNK (d)
KH2/N2NL via W2YC (B)
KH2/WM1D via BU2AV (B)
KH6/OE6MBG via OE6MBG (d) / NR1R (B)
KP4QY via NP3O (d)
LX/PA1AW via PA1AW (B)
LX/PA3EWP via PA1AW (B)
LX/PA7FM via PA1AW (B)
LX/PA9JO via PA1AW (B)
LX8M via DJ1ER
LY/RU5A via RU5A
LY37A via LY2MM (B)
LY37B via LY2GW
LY37C via LY2CV
LY37E via LY3NX
LY37EB via LY3BY (B)
LY37F via LY1FW
LY37G via LY1G
LY37J via LY2J
LY37K via LY1K
LY37L via LY2BOK
LY37LY via LY5A
LY37M via LY2KM (B), (L), eQSL
LY37N via LY1N
LY37O via LY5O
LY37P via LY2BH
LY37Q via LY4Q (B)
LY37R via LY3P
LY37S via LY2QT
LY37T via LY1CT (B)
LY37U via LY3UE
LY37V via LY2FN (B)
LY37W via LY5W
LY37X via LY3X
LY37Y via LY5Y
LY37Z via LY2KZ
LZ/HA0HW via HA0HW (B)
LZ/RN3DHA via RV3DHC
LZ/RV3ATS via RV3ATS
LZ0I via LZ1BJ (B)
LZ1794MAB via LZ1KZA (B)
M0YEC via DK5CF (B)
MJ0CTR via M0CTR (B)
N0S via AB0S
NN1X via JG3JLC (B)
OE50EFA via OE5HFM (B)
OG5N via OH1CQ
OH0HG/1 via JA1HGY (B)
OH0HG/2 via JA1HGY (B)
OH1W via OH1FEQ

OH3/DL2RVL via DL2RVL (B)
OM8MEDZEV via OM8APA
OX/OZ4UN via OZ4UN (d)
OX4OK via OK1JST
OY1OF via M0URX (B)
OZ/PD2DX via PD2DX (B)
OZ0JAV via DL8AAV (B), (d)
P29FR via I2RFJ (B)
P29ZL via W1YRC
PA30LOU via PA0LOU (B)
PI65ALK via PI4ALK (B)
PJ2/DL1THM via DL1THM (B)
PJ2A via N5UCF (B), (L)
ZY6Z via PY6HD (L), (d)
3Z25ZJP via SP6ZJP
4J0SFR via 4J5T
4W6A via M0URX (L)
5B/RN3QO via N2UCK (B)
5B4/HA9RT via HA9RT (B)
5B50J via 5B4AHJ (B), (L)
5T0JL via ON8RA (B)
7P8CF via K5LBU
7P8JK via WB6OJB (d)
7Q7BP via G3MRC (B)
7Q7CE via IN3VZE
9A/OM1II via OM1II (B)
9H3IP via HA3JB
9Q6AL via DF9TA (B)
9Y4W via DL4MDO (B)

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(*) = new QSL manager
(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) = e-mail request

QSLs arrived direct: A65CB (QRZ.com), C21YY (OH2YY), DR60BENE (DG2MEL),
EI5IMD (EI9FBB), KH8/EA1IR (EA1IR), SY2V (SV2GJV),
RJ3AA, TL0A (QRZ.COM), VU2RBI, YY7OMF, 5W0IR (EA1IR),
9N7DX (4Z4DX)

QSLs arrived bureau: A61SA, CE3/IZ6BRN, EA8BED, ES0NW (EU-034),
FG/K9NW (NA-102), FM/F5IRO (NA-107),IG9/IV3TMM (AF-019)
IS0/I0JX (EU-024), J39BS, JW/LB9UE, JW8DW (LA8DW),
LX/PA3FYG/p, LX/S53XX/p, OD5/DL6SN, OX/DF9TM (NA-151),
OX/DL2SWW (NA-151), OX8XX, OZ/DL4AMK (EU-172),
RA9LI/0 (AS-086, UA9LP), TC57A, TF/DL2JRM/p (EU-021),
TY4TW (GM4FDM), UT4XAA, VE1/DH8IAT (NA-127),
W4PL (NA-213)

QSL via LoTW: OE/W8VKO/p, OJ0UR, OY/SM0MDG, PI4CC, PJ2DX, R1MV,
R1MVA, SM/LA1TPA/p, SV0XCC/9, V48M, V51VV, V88/UA4WHX,
Z2/UA4WHX, ZB2X, 3B8/SP2FUD, 3DA0VB, 4K0VB, 4L0B,
5Z4/UA4WHX/A

DX SURVEY 2011

The DX Magazine has started its annual survey of the most wanted entities:
http://dxpub.com/dx_survey2011.html

Many thanks for contributing to this issue of the DXNL are going to:
Carl Smith (QRZ DX), 425DXNews, OPDX Bulletin, DF6EX (WIN-QSL), DF6ZY,
DJ1ER/LX1ER, DJ5AV, DJ6VM, DJ9ZB, DL1MDV, DL1SBF, DL5NAM, DL6LAU, DL7MAE,
DL7VOA, DO3ME, F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX, NG3K and others.

Many thanks for contributing to this issue of the DXNL are going to:
http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxmb/2011

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854. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-14 00:23:53 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <16e3a727-d90b-4a2a-9521-e1f60b892e6a@l10g2000yqe.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4044

On Sep 13, 5:34 am, SAMARA <jaidatta9...@gmail.com> wrote:
> LATEST HOT TAPSEE KISSING
STILLShttp://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/06/tapsee.html
> KAJAL AGARWAL ROMANTIC STILLShttp://

can the spam

855. [RAC-Bulletin] [EMCOMM]: Information - Maria - 2011-09-13 21:28:27 UTC

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-14 04:26:52 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4E702CB9.9070800@rac.ca>
Source record: 4045
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

>Subject: Information - Maria - 2011-09-13 21:28:27 UTC
WOCN31 CWHX 132345
Tropical cyclone information statement updated by the Canadian
Hurricane Centre of Environment Canada at 6:26 PM ADT Tuesday
13 September 2011.

Tropical cyclone information statement for:
Newfoundland
Nova Scotia.

For tropical storm Maria.

The next statement will be issued by 9:00 AM ADT Wednesday.

The Canadian Hurricane Centre is monitoring tropical storm
Maria for possible impact in Atlantic Canada late this week.

==discussion==
Tropical storm Maria was situated about 1100 kilometres
south-southwest of Bermuda 6 PM Tuesday evening. Deep convective
clouds have begun to grow over the storm centre, therefore it is
likely that Maria will gain some intensity overnight and early
Wednesday. Maria is being forecast by the computer models to move
northward and merge with a sharp front over Eastern Canada late
Thursday and into Friday. The current forecast challenge is
determining how that merger will take place. At the least, we can
expect the front to acquire extra moisture from the tropical storm
and associated rainfall to affect Nova Scotia and/or Newfoundland on
Friday. We will have a better understanding of potential wind
speeds/impacts with Maria over the next day or so.

The Canadian Hurricane Centre will begin regular 6-hourly forecasts
at 9:00 AM ADT Wednesday.

Visit <http://weatheroffice.gc.ca/hurricane> for the latest hurricane
track map.

Please also refer to the public and marine forecasts and warnings
issued by Environment Canada for your area.

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856. The ARRL Contest Update for September 14, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-14 10:59:02 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20110914101732.8108A25184@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 4046
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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The ARRL Contest Update

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NEW HF OPERATORS - THINGS TO DO

If you want to try working "over the pole", the Scandinavian Activity
Contest is just what you need! The North American Phone Sprint is
hectic, especially with the special QSY rule, but a lot of fun and a
good workout.

BULLETINS

There are no bulletins in this issue.

BUSTED QSOS

The Guam call sign of Dave N2NL is NH2T, not KH2L as reported in the
previous issue. You were going to copy that off the air and not use my
busted spot, weren't you? Of course! (Thanks, Dan K1TO)

CONTEST SUMMARY

Complete information for all contests follows the Conversation section

Sep 17-18

- CWops Monthly Mini-CWT Test-- CW (Sep 14)
- ARRL 10 GHz Cumulative Contest
- Connecticut QSO Party
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- CIS DX PSK Contest--Digital
- Scandinavian Activity Contest--CW
- South Carolina QSO Party
- Feld-Hell Hell on Wheels Sprint
- Washington State Salmon Run
- North American Sprint--Phone
- Classic Exchange--Phone
- BARTG Sprint 75--Digital
- Fall VHF Sprint--144 MHz (Sep 19)
- Run For the Bacon--CW (Sep 19)

Sep 24-25

- NAQCC Monthly QRP Sprint--CW (Sep 22)
- ARRL EME Contest
- CQ WW RTTY Contest
- Texas QSO Party
- Fall VHF Sprint--222 MHz (Sep 27)
- Fall QRP Homebrewer Sprint--CW (Sep 27)

==> NEWS, PRESS RELEASES, AND GENERAL INTEREST

The ARRL Sweepstakes <http://www.arrl.org/sweepstakes> has a new manager, Larry Hammel K5OT! After discovering the Novice Roundup and Sweepstakes in QST, Larry also noticed the exploits of Vic Clark W4KFC. "I wanted to know more, so I wrote him a letter filled with a list of crazy questions about contesting and operating techniques. What followed was magical. Vic actually wrote me back and we traded letters and then contest QSOs during the next few years. I never met this contesting/SS legend in person, but his simple efforts to mentor a young contest enthusiast made an indelible impression on me." An officer of the Central Texas DX and Contest Club, Larry has operated from home and from many contest stations, "...but there is nothing like SS each fall! Sweepstakes has an amazing history and tradition to uphold, and Ken K5KA (SK) and Dan K1TO have each made incomparable contributions to increased SS activity and enjoyment. These are huge shoes to fill, but I welcome the chance." Expect to see more from Larry in this newsletter's upcoming issues.

Fans of the "American Pickers" TV show may also be interested in the Antique Technology <http://antiquearchaeology.com> website and stores in LeClaire, Iowa and Nashville, Tennessee. I got to visit the Nashville store with Kirk K4RO on a recent vacation and found it full of fascinating stuff...but no old radios! My steam-powered radio aficionado readers will surely want to help them include antique wireless in their displays!

Oops! PileUp! <http://www.helsinki.fi/%7Ekorpela/PU/PU.html> magazine did it again with a 52-page issue focused on the upcoming Scandinavian Activity Contest <http://www.sactest.net/> and articles like "The Perfect Amplifier". Look for another issue in November. You'll be able to find out who prevailed in the annual "Polar Battle"! (Thanks from

the editors, OH1WZ, OH6KZP & OH7WV)

Sad news from the HG6N team - "...at the broadcast site the HG6N crew got from Antenna Hungaria Broadcasting Company...thieves cut off about 1 km of open bronze feed line. The USA/CA branch is fully destroyed." You can see some feed line pieces left behind in the photo. (Thanks, Zoli HA1AG)

The April issue of the IEEE Antennas and Propagation Magazine (Vol. 53, No. 2) includes an interesting look at very early wireless technology. The Historical Corner article by S&#65533;ndor Jeszensky - "From Electric Oscillations to Marconi's Wireless Telegraph" - spans the six decades between Faraday's experiments and Marconi's radio. There are some eye-catching photographs and reproductions of old drawings. How we got from there to here is a fascinating story. The article may be available through professional societies or via your local library's help desk.

You've built the amplifier...now what? How about Electric Drag Racing <http://www.designnews.com/document.asp?doc_id=228440> as described in this Design News story?

Contest veterans will well remember the call sign of Doc K8RR, originally WA8ZDF then KN8Z, who became a Silent Key today. As Tom K8AZ recounts, "Doc was a true larger-than-life legend out here in flyover country (the U.S. Midwest - Ed.), and did much to show that contest success from west of the Allegheny mountains COULD be achieved."

Web Site of the Week - Maker Faire <http://makerfaire.com/newyork/2011/press/> returns to New York this weekend on September 17 and 18. It will be held at the New York Hall of Science in Queens. The Hall of Science Radio Club will be on hand to demonstrate ham radio (look for the Science Maker entry titled "Build Antennas to Talk Around the World".) There are a number of "mini" Maker Faires coming up in cities around the country - perhaps your radio club could help present ham radio to these motivated makers?

WORD TO THE WISE

Read the rules BEFORE the contest, runic though they may be! How much off-time and how long are the breaks? Where are the power limits set? Can single-ops use the spotting networks? Don't embarrass yourself by having to back-track after the contest, submitting in a category you didn't know you had entered!

==> SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

Live vicariously through YouTube as Craig K9CT shows us W2GD and K4ZA managing the process of putting his big 40 meter Yagi stack <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OKG8gKnATV4> on a 190-foot tower! The RD3A team takes a slightly different approach to putting up their 5-element cannon <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7kfK7H-sNs4>. We can dream, can't we? (Thanks, Tim K3LR and Randy K5ZD)

Here's one way to stay fit while you're contesting - pedal your way to that special QTH! Take a look as K6BBQ shows us his mobile tricycle station <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jPJ9RAbC4iE&feature=youtu.be> in the recent North American QSO Party. (Thanks, Randy K5ZD)

The Orca DX Club's <http://orcadxcc.org/> web page is certainly packed full of information for DXers and contesters alike, such as the "Orca Pod" propagation package - nicely packaged and very useful! (Thanks, Bud VA7ST)

==> RESULTS AND RECORDS

CQ WW 2010 logs have been processed by Stan EI6DX's Analyser <http://www.ei6dx.com/cqww-contest-analysis> and the results are now available for analysis and preparation for CWWW 2011. Comparing 2010 to 2009: SSB logs were on the rise (6182 vs 5706 in 2009) but CW submissions were down - 5342 vs 5522 in 2009 or 3.25% lower. Despite lower number of logs submitted 2010 CW broke the 70,000 QSOs per hour threshold for the very first time. This is the highest rate observed since logs became public in 2007. The winning hour was 15:00 on the first day when 70.449 QSOs were made. Learn more at the Analyser website!

Brian K9QQ has now updated the Society of Midwest Contesters list of Sprint records <http://www.w9smc.com/sprints.htm> following last weekend's CW event. This might give your club some ideas about tracking and listing record-holding members to spur interest and recognize good work!

OPERATING TIP

Arrgh <http://www.talklikeapirate.com/> - be prepared for those Maritime Mobile stations on September 19th, me hearties! (Thanks, Gail KB6EZB)

==> TECHNICAL TOPICS AND INFORMATION

Tom W8JI cautions us against tuning up an amplifier <http://www.w8ji.com/Vacuum_tube_amps.htm> at reduced power because the output matching network controls (TUNE and LOAD) won't be set properly when operating at full power. The low-power tuning increases loaded Q in the tank circuit, leading to high voltage and heating. "Even with a 3-kilovolt supply, you can create over 10,000 volts in the tank by peaking (output) power at low drive and then increasing drive. That can put you off the air with capacitor or bandswitch failures." This is illustrated by a low-voltage demonstration <http://www.w8ji.com/demonstation.htm> on Tom's website. For best performance and the least distortion (splatter) Tom recommends, "adjust at full power and then reduce drive to the legal power. This way the bandwidth before readjustment is required as wide as possible and changes in SWR as antennas are changed does not have a negative impact. It is almost always much easier on the amplifier and other people to over-couple (load at higher power) and then back off." You can read more on Tom's website.

The September issue of "The Black Hole <http://www.w9smc.com/blackhole/news%2009%2011.pdf>" newsletter of the Society of Midwest Contesters features some photos by Mike W9RE of his big homemade 20 meter Yagis showing building and lifting technique. Learn from a master!

Tower climbing pro, Dan K1TO, points out that thrust bearing bolts are not designed to support a heavy mast as described in the previous issue. The way to do this properly is to have at least one muffler clamp with a saddle (or better yet, two saddles with through bolts) tightened securely to prevent any downward slippage of the mast while moving the rope attachment point.

When installing antennas on a mast, don't forget to leave a "rotator loop" in the feed lines to allow the antennas to turn without pulling on the cables! As Steve K7LXC points out, "There are two rotator loop methods. One has the cable(s) coming off the mast with 5-6 extra feet to just hang off the tower and follows the mast around as it turns. The other way is to loop the cable(s) 2-3 times around the bottom of the mast at the flat top of the tower 2-3 times. The cables sit on the tower top and allow lots of rotation. Either way works Fine Business."

New digital scopes have some excellent features previously too expensive for ham gear, such as the Fast Fourier Transform (FFT). If you would like to learn more about how this feature works, EE Times magazine sponsored a webinar on "FFT and frequency analysis using an oscilloscope <http://www.eetimes.com/EdTraining/Webinars>" presented by Rohde and Schwartz. Many other technical topics are represented in the list of available programs.

Hans, PA1HR has compiled a very nice table of measurements <http://www.remeeus.eu/hamradio/pa1hr/productreview.htm> showing a comprehensive view of many transceivers evaluated in ARRL Product Reviews. Maybe this will help you win a few arguments at the meeting-after-the-meeting when the talk turns to rig performance! (Thanks, Glenn K6NA)

I wonder if Gem Quad <http://www.gemquad.com/> knows about the new kind of wire
<http://idealab.talkingpointsmemo.com/2011/09/new-superconductor-wires-could-give-renewable-energy-more-charge.php>
that is spun from sapphire crystals? It is supposedly of much higher conductivity than plain, old copper but might be hard to solder!

Bob K4HJF has a great idea to save builders some significant scratch - he uses surplus test equipment chassis for his projects. These beautiful and sturdy cabinets are made with top-quality hardware and are easily "repurposed" for ham projects, such as his new 2 meter amplifier. You'll see many obsolete pieces of gear selling for "get it out of here" prices at hamfests, so take one home and salvage the many useful components, leaving yourself a nice looking enclosure.

Radioshack has announced "The Great Create <http://radioshack.com/diy>" - a contest to come up with the most interesting creations made using Radio Shack parts. I'm sure the readers of this newsletter can come up with some thought-provoking (good or bad) entries!

Popular Mechanics' <http://www.popularmechanics.com> "PM Saturday" column describes a one-afternoon project just right for non-contest weekends. The October 2011 issue's project is a T-shirt cannon made from PVC pipe and an irrigation valve. I don't know about you, but when I see "t-shirt cannon", I think "antenna in tree"...I'm just sayin'.

Technical Web Site of the Week - Admit it! When the contractor shows up to dig the hole for a tower base or whatever, don't you wish you were in the seat of that machine, working the levers and moving that dirt? Don't sigh so deeply! Next time you are in Las Vegas, stop by Dig This <http://www.digthis.info/> and spend a little time with their toys pushing the desert around to your heart's content!

==> CONVERSATION

Another Good Idea - Friendship Radiosport Games

Tree N6TR recently visited UA0C (Khabarovsk) as an official in the very-WRTC-like radiosport games he describes below. He graciously agreed to write a short article describing the events and I'm sure you will find it and the pictures interesting. At a time when meetings and hamfests are responding to challenges of attendance, it is good to read of an event doing well and attracting visitors from around the world!

73, Ward N0AX

The Tenth Friendship Radiosport Games <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Friendship_Radiosport_Games> were held last month in Khabarovsk, Russia. These games started up in 1989 as a result of a sister city agreement between Khabarovsk and Portland, Oregon. Over the years, participation has grown to include other sister cities in the Pacific Rim including Victoria, British Columbia; Niigata, Japan; Harbin, China; Bucheon, South Korea; and Melbourne, Australia. The games themselves have been held in Russia, Japan, Canada, and the United States.

The "father" of the games is Yvegeny "Eugene" Stavitksy, UA0CA. It was his vision that enabled the first games to take plan in Russia during the Cold War in 1989. The events held during the games include Morse code copying and sending tests, a Morse code pileup test, foxhunt and on-air competition. In addition to these events, several excursions take place, enabling participants to get a flavor of the area they are visiting. Most of the people travelling from foreign countries are put up in the homes of the hosting hams.

The Morse code copying and sending tests use code groups so as not to give an advantage to native speakers of any language. The sending test uses a unique method to assure that skills are distributed amongst the use of a hand-key, bug and electronic keyer. There are five code groups

that must be sent with a hand-key, followed by ten code groups that can be sent with either a hand-key or a bug. Finally, there are ten more code groups that can be sent using any method including an electronic keyer. The final score is the total time that it takes to send the three groups with a penalty of ten seconds for each uncorrected error. The winner of this event, Alexander Savin UA0CDX, only used the hand-key to send all of the groups. He combined an error free performance with a steady rhythm to send his three segments in just 83 seconds.

The receiving test consists of seven code groups starting at 10 WPM and increments by 2 WPM up to 60 WPM. Participants must copy at least five of the seven groups correctly to qualify for a given speed. The typical winning score at these events has been around 34 WPM. Following the receiving test, a pile-up tape is played and the scores are how many correct call-signs were copied. The winner of the code copying contest this time was Oleg Danko, UA0CO. Alex Turkin, RW0CR won the pile-up contest with 70 calls.

A special "Iron Man" award is given to the person who has the highest combined score from the three events. Each event awards 100 points to the winner. The other people get a weighted number of points based upon how well they did compared to the winner. This year's Iron Man was Oleg Danko, UA0CO.

The HF Contest was an all-day event. There were six teams competing and each operated from the same six stations for about 45 minutes each. The logistics to get the teams shuttled around to different locations were complicated - but pulled off without a hitch. Special call signs were used - with the prefix RG20. This helped generate some nice pileups on the bands with one competitor even working "up 1". A multiplier of X2 was given to CW QSOs, and the USA team stuck to CW to generate the number one score and take the Gold Medal in this event.

This event was a great way to make some new friends and better understand the culture of a faraway place. It once again shows how ham radio can help bring the world together and create a better place for us to live.

73, Tree N6TR

==> CONTESTS

14 September through 27 September

An expanded, downloadable version of QST's Contest Corral in PDF format <http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar> is available. Check the sponsor's Web site for information on operating time restrictions and other instructions.

HF CONTESTS

CWops Monthly Mini-CWT Test--CW, from Sep 14, 1300Z to Sep 15, 0400Z, see website, multiple operating periods, twice monthly on 2nd and 4th Wed. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Frequencies: 18 to 28 kHz above band edge. Exchange: Name and member number or S/P/C. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.cwops.org/onair.html>

Connecticut QSO Party--Phone, CW, Digital, from Sep 17, 0000Z to Sep 17, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Frequencies: See website. Exchange: RS(T) and CT county or S/P/C. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.ctqp.org/2011.html>

CIS DX PSK Contest--Digital, from Sep 17, 1200Z to Sep 18, 1200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RST and DXDA code. Logs due: 15 days. Rules <http://www.eupsk.com/>

Scandinavian Activity Contest--CW, from Sep 17, 1200Z to Sep 18, 1200Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST and serial. Logs due: Oct 2. Rules <http://www.sactest.net/>

South Carolina QSO Party--Phone, CW, Digital, from Sep 17, 1300Z to Sep 18, 2100Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28, 50+, Frequencies: CW--1.805, 50 kHz above band edge; Phone--1.845, 3.86, 7.261, 14.27, 21.37, 28.37. Exchange: RS(T) and county or S/P/C. Logs due: Oct 20. Rules <http://w4cae.org/scqp/scqsoweb.html>

Feld-Hell Hell on Wheels Sprint--Digital, from Sep 17, 1600Z to Sep 17, 1800Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Monthly on 3rd Saturday. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, Feld-Hell member nr. Logs due: 7 days. Rules <http://www.feldhellclub.org/>

Washington State Salmon Run--Phone, CW, Digital, from Sep 17, 1600Z to Sep 18, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50, Frequencies: See website. Exchange: RS(T) and county or S/P/C. Logs due: Oct 18. Rules <http://www.wwdxc.org/>

North American Sprint--Phone, from Sep 18, 0000Z to Sep 18, 0400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Exchange: Call signs, serial, name, and state. Logs due: 7 days. Rules <http://www.ncjweb.com/>

Classic Exchange-- Phone, from Sep 18, 1300Z to Sep 19, 0700Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50,144, Frequencies: SSB--1.885, 3.87, 7.28, 14.27, 21.37, 28.39; AM--1.89, 3.88, 7.16, 7.29, 14.286, 21.42, 29.0. Exchange: Name, RS, S/P/C, type of equipment. Logs due: 60 days. Rules <http://www.classicexchange.org/>

BARTG Sprint 75--Digital, from Sep 18, 1700Z to Sep 18, 2100Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: Serial. Logs due: Nov 1. Rules <http://www.bartg.org.uk/>

Run For the Bacon--CW, from Sep 19, 0100Z to Sep 19, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Monthly on 3rd Sunday night (local). Exchange: RST, S/P/C, Flying Pig nr or power. Rules <http://www.fpqrp.org/>

NAQCC Monthly QRP Sprint--CW, from Sep 22, 0030Z to Sep 22, 0230Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Monthly on 2nd Tuesday or 3rd Wednesday local time

(alternating). Exchange: RST, S/P/C, and NAQCC mbr nr or power. Logs due: 4 days. Rules <http://naqcc.info/>

CQ WW RTTY Contest--Digital, from Sep 24, 0000Z to Sep 25, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST, CQ zone and State/VE area (US/VE). Logs due: Nov 1. Rules <http://www.cqwwrtty.com/>

Texas QSO Party--Phone, CW, Digital, from Sep 24, 1400Z, multiple operating periods, see website. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50,144, Frequencies: CW--20 to 50 kHz above band edge; Phone--25 kHz above edge of General segment. Exchange: RS(T), county or S/P/C. Logs due: Oct 31. Rules <http://www.txqp.net/>

Fall QRP Homebrewer Sprint--CW, from Sep 27, 0000Z to Sep 27, 0400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, and power. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.njqrp.org/>

VHF+ CONTESTS

ARRL 10 GHz Cumulative Contest--Phone, CW, Digital, from Sep 17, 6 AM to Sep 18, 12 Midnight. Bands (MHz): 10G+. Exchange: 6-character grid locator. Logs due: Oct 19. Rules <http://www.arrl.org/contests>

ARRL EME Contest--Phone, CW, Digital, from Sep 24, 0000Z to Sep 25, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 2.3G+. Exchange: Call signs, sig rpt, acknowledgement. Logs due: Dec 20. Rules <http://www.arrl.org/contests>

South Carolina QSO Party--Phone, CW, Digital, from Sep 17, 1300Z to Sep 18, 2100Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28, 50+, Frequencies: CW--1.805, 50 kHz above band edge; Phone--1.845, 3.86, 7.261, 14.27, 21.37, 28.37. Exchange: RS(T) and county or S/P/C. Logs due: Oct 20. Rules <http://w4cae.org/scqp/scqsoweb.html>

Washington State Salmon Run--Phone, CW, Digital, from Sep 17, 1600Z to Sep 18, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50, Frequencies: See website. Exchange: RS(T) and county or S/P/C. Logs due: Oct 18. Rules <http://www.wwdxc.org/>

Classic Exchange-- Phone, from Sep 18, 1300Z to Sep 19, 0700Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50,144, Frequencies: SSB--1.885, 3.87, 7.28, 14.27, 21.37, 28.39; AM--1.89, 3.88, 7.16, 7.29, 14.286, 21.42, 29.0. Exchange: Name, RS, S/P/C, type of equipment. Logs due: 60 days. Rules <http://www.classicexchange.org/>

Fall VHF Sprint--Phone, CW, Digital, from Sep 19, 7 PM to Sep 19, 11 PM. Bands (MHz): 144. Exchange: 4-character grid square. Logs due: 4 weeks. Rules <http://www.svhfs.org/>

Texas QSO Party--Phone, CW, Digital, from Sep 24, 1400Z, multiple operating periods, see website. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50,144, Frequencies: CW--20 to 50 kHz above band edge; Phone--25 kHz above edge of General segment. Exchange: RS(T), county or S/P/C. Logs due: Oct 31. Rules <http://www.txqp.net/>

Fall VHF Sprint--Phone, CW, Digital, from Sep 27, 7 PM to Sep 27, 11 PM. Bands (MHz): 222. Exchange: 4-character grid square. Logs due: 4 weeks. Rules <http://www.svhfs.org/>

==> LOG DUE DATES

14 September through 27 September

September 15 - MMMonVHF/DUBUS 144 MHz Meteorscatter Sprint Contest <http://www.mmmonvhf.de/ctest.php>

September 15 - Brazil Independence Day BPSK31 CDX Contest <http://brcontest.com/resultado/indday/2011/cdx_us-en.pdf>

September 15 - NAQCC-EU Monthly Sprint <http://naqcc-eu.org/SprintHelp/SprintRules.pdf>

September 16 - SKCC Weekend Sprint <http://www.skccgroup.com/sprint/wes/index-wes.html>

September 17 - North American Sprint, CW <http://www.ncjweb.com/sprintrules.php>

September 19 - DARC 10-Meter Digital Contest <http://www.darc.de/referate/ukw-funksport/bild-und-schrift-wettbewerbe/corona-maerz/teilnahmebedingungen/>

September 20 - RSGB SSB Field Day <http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2011/rssbfd.shtml>

September 21 - Keyman's Club of Japan Contest <http://www.kcj-cw.com/contest/11_kcj_contest_rule_e.pdf>

September 25 - Kulikovo Polye Contest <http://www.tularadio.ru/?pg=content/kpc-rule-en>

September 26 - Ohio QSO Party <http://www.ohqp.org/adminRules.htm>

September 27 - YO DX HF Contest <http://www.yodx.ro/en/hf-contest/rules>

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857. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2011-027E - Ontario South director re-elected.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-14 15:42:53 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4E70CAB6.2030206@rac.ca>
Source record: 4047
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2011-027E - Ontario South director re-elected.
2011-09-13

Congratulations are extended to Mr. Jeffrey Stewart, VA3WXM who was recently re-elected as the RAC Director for Ontario South. This nomination was unopposed, eliminating the need for a balloted election. Mr. Stewart was initially voted in as the Director in May 2011 and has been a certified amateur operator since March 1999 and involved in many aspects of the hobby. Mr. Stewart's term will be extended to cover January 1, 2012 to December 31, 2013.

Paul Burggraaf VO1PRB
RAC Corporate Secretary
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858. Get Kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-15 00:46:39 UTC
From: kb9rqz <kb9rqz@safrica.com>
Message-ID: <02735f4b-a9ad-45cf-81e4-a6fa22933cbe@i39g2000yqn.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4048
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.shortwave,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy,alt.slack

On Sep 12, 3:37 pm, kb9rqz <m...@kb9rqz.com> wrote:
> On Sep 12, 1:10 am, Mike <kk2...@gmail.com> wrote:
>
> > We've re-done the site, so take a peek: www.hamwave.com
>
> more spam well at least it is ham spam

FAKE ON FAKE

859. Re: They are laughing and I mean LAUGHING at you in ScrubGenius

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-15 02:55:25 UTC
From: kd8ctl <kd8ctl@iname.com>
Message-ID: <6de994e2-9ed1-44dd-9ff4-1567b6d4346f@d2g2000vbk.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4049
Cross-posted to: alt.slack,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On Sep 14, 7:07 pm, Dr. Phineas J. Martian <docmartian@msn.com> wrote:

> Ha ha ha, poor little tar babies left to stew in their own excrement.

while my morkins will be enjoying my excrement stew.

> Hope you can handle the smell!

morkins loves the taste AND the smell!
http://www.winternet.com/~redright/scatsite/

860. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2011-028E - Tropical Storm Maria

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-15 03:44:35 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4E717441.1080902@rac.ca>
Source record: 4050
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2011-028E - Tropical Storm Maria
2011-09-14

Good morning,

I'm forwarding this on behalf of NL Section Manager VO1VZ who is on vacation.

It is now evident that Tropical Storm Maria will have a direct impact on Newfoundland, particularly the Avalon Peninsula. Due to a low pressure system that will likely merge, exact track is difficult to predict although in the effected area storm surge, pounding surf, high winds and 50 - 75 mm of rain can be expected.

As a result, full activation of a NL Hurricane/CANWARN Net will commence at 1430Z Friday and will continue for the duration of the event. We will be using 3.740 Mhz for the HF Net and the NL Linked VHF repeater system. Those of you who are able, please monitor in case short distance propagation is poor (as it likely will be) and you might assist with relays. Access to the NL Linked repeater system can be obtained through Echo Link - VO1ARG repeater in Argentia, NL. NL Hams are reminded that today would be a good time to tie things down and fill your generators as well as stock up some food. Lets hope all the above won't be neccessary and Maria will pass far east of us.

Thanks for your usual cooperation in keeping these frequencies clear.

73

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861. MMMonVHF Newsletter 2011-09-15

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-15 11:20:23 UTC
From: MMMonVHF News Mailer <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <201109151116.p8FBGAlq019976@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 4101
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our lastet NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2011-09-15
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter, once a week (thursday)
from now on - if any special activities will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further detail please be so kind and watch our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you vy welcome for any
input and we do hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
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** VHF-DATABASE at MMMonVHF (http://www.mmmonvhf.de/dbase.php) **

Time to time it will be necessary to remember about regular updates
to the VHF-DATABASE at MMMonVHF. At mid of october we plan to
spread a new issue of our VHF-DATABASE to all DX-Cluster (and USER
which what it). So please be so kind and UPDATE IT NOW SOON! LOGIN
at MMMonVHF and follow the link to your Account > than click on
"VHF-DATABASE Update" and click on the INFO Button left side of
the Call (mostly only YOUR CALL or YOUR Expeditions calls) you
wants to change... Click on the EDIT Button (lower end of the page)
if something to change and edit the datasentence. After you have
finished your changes PLEASE do not forget to click on SAVE! Your
data will be reviewed by the Team and released to the VHF-DATABASE
as soon as possible! You will receive a confirmation E-mail when
your data is online available at MMMonVHF! The DX-Cluster will get
those updated Files only one time a year! Info or changes of OTHER
than your own Call or your Expedition Calls as well welcome. In
such a case please do use the Contact Form
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/kontact.php and pass us the
CALL you want to edit as well... Files like CALL3.txt will be
availble for free to everybody from your account and daily fresh!
To get into CALL3.txt you need to have one of the keywords (WSJT
MS or EME) at your datasentence activated!
SOURCE: Guy, DL8EBW, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
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*** DXCC: 7P8 ; Square: KG30 ; Start: 2011-09-16 **
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7P8EME (Lesotho) from KG30VI on VHF (EME and MS)
LATEST NEWS by Pine and Hermann, dated 2011-09-09:
TEAM WILL ARRIVE IN 7P8 15 SEPT - I WILL PICK UP HERMANN DL2NUD
7P8HP AT JHB AIRPORT 12 Sept ALL IS GOING ACCORDING TO PLAN - WILL
ADVISE QRG ON THE JT65.73.ru LOGGER will start with 144 MHz and
advise other bands, hope to have internet soon after arrival in 7P8.
Will post news here. Team will be PINE ZS6OB,DICK ZS6BUN,WYNAND
ZS6ARF,PIETER ZS6PA,HERMANN DL2NUD,LYNETTE ZR6LHT - DAN HB9CRQ
unfortunately will not be able to attend.He will be sadly missed.
Testing 144 MHz mobile antennas Friday and Saterday 10 Sept Will
start packing Monday 12 Sept 2011 LOOKING FORWARD TO WORK MANY
STATIONS - SOURCE: ZS6OB / 7P8EME, direct to MMMonVHF
Eqpuipment for 1296MHz is ready: 62el Yagi, 400W at Dipol, 0,35db
DB6NT RX Ampl. and QRG shall be 1296.120 MHz
LATEST NEWS by Pine ZS6OB, dated 2011-09-14: ALL IS PACKED AND READY
TO DRIVE TO 7P8 - LEAVING 02H00 UTC 560 KM. Will start putting up
the station from the 15th If all goes well we will be on 144.111
from MR on the 16th September 2011 Will announce on JT65.73.RU
when internet is working and we are ready looking forward to work
you all have fun 73's
SOURCE: DL2NUD / 7P8HP / 7P8EME, direct to MMMonVHF

*** DXCC: R1F ; Square: LR90 ; Start: 2011-09-17 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=4011

RI1FJL, QTH locator LR90AO, from island Land Franca Iosifa in
144 MHz EME CW - QRV Ham 144mhz CW EME U3ME (ex UA3ME)
Call sign RI1FJL, QTH locator LR90AO. Antenna 5wl, 10m bum,
EL=10gd, PA-GS35b OUT=1KW. 12m cable, LNA-3P602. Interest sked
much after 17-26/09/2011, frequency 144020mhz, CW, 1min per, RI1FJL
First. Will be an active September 17-26, time for rest 23-02ut
11-14ut. PSE info moonnet. Pse sked via Nik, ua3mbj"at"rambler.ru
SOURCE: Juergen, DK3WG, via MoonNet

*** DXCC: 8P ; Square: GK03 ; Start: 2011-11-07 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3785

A DL Team (consists of DL9MS & DL8YHR & DL2NUD) will be active
holiday style from 8P9 (GK03) on HF and 6m as well 2m EME.
LATEST NEWS by Hermann, DL2NUD, dated 2011-09-09:
Eqpuipment for 1296MHz is ready: 62el Yagi, 400W at Dipol, 0,35db
DB6NT RX Ampl. and QRG shall be 1296.120 MHz VY 73'S DL2NUD/8P9HP
SOURCE: tnx to Hermann, DL2NUD / 8P9HP direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
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** 3D2C, CONWAY REEF ACTIVITY 2011 on HF and 6m & 2m (EME) **

Preparations for the large multi-national 3D2R DXpedition to Rotuma
[425DXN 1049] are going according to plan. The team will meet in
Suva (Fiji) on 22 September and depart for Rotuma on the 25th.
They expect to be QRV on 27 September and to complete the DXpedition
on 7 October. 3D2R will be active on 160-10 metres CW, SSB, RTTY,
PSK and SSTV, plus 6 and 2m EME, with a focus on Europe and Africa
when propagation permits. QSL via YT1AD and LoTW (logs to be
uploaded some six months after the expedition). Further
information - including log search (to be updated on a daily
basis), suggested frequencies and details on how contribute to this
expensive project - can be found at www.yt1ad.info/3d2r/index.html
SOURCE: 425 DX News #1062

** JW9DFA qrv HF, 50 (144 MHz) from Spitsbergen Island, JQ78 **

JW, SVALBARD, EU-026 - Morten,LA9DFA, will sign JW9DFA from
Spitsbergen (EU-026) mainly in CW and only little RTTY/SSB on
HF and maybe also 6m from Sep 14-19. He plans to take part in
the Scandinavian Activity Contest (Sep 17/18) in CW as JW3C.
QSLs for both calls via LA9DFA.
SOURCE: DXNL 1745 (Sep 14, 2011)

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** Many thanks to all our USER who did send us info and news **

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The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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862. DEEPIKA PADUKONE IN DUM MARO DUM MOVIE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-15 11:25:30 UTC
From: SAMARA <jaidatta9247@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <00df5d09-bcbe-48bc-8e02-4b42b563af98@l4g2000vbv.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4102

FOR GOOD JOBS SITES TO YOU
http://goodjobssites.blogspot.com/

FOR HOT PHOTO&VIDEOS

KATRINA KAIF RARE PHOTOS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/07/katrina-kaif-wallpapers.html
AISHWARYA RAI DIFFERENT PICS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/05/aishwarya-rai.html
DEEPIKA PADUKONE NEW STILLS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/05/deepika-padukone_22.html
SAMANTHA HOT EXCLUSIVE PHOTOS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/09/south-actress-samantha.html
FOR EXCLUSIVE HOT ASIN PICS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/09/asin.html
HOT SOUTH ACTRESS IN DIFFERENT DRESSES
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/08/south-actress.html
DOOKUDU LATEST MOVIE STILLS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/08/dookudu-movie-stills.html
KAJAL LATEST ROMANTIC STILLS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/07/kajal-agarwal-in-naperu-shiva.html
TAMANNA HOT PHOTOS & VIDEOS
http://southactresstou.blogspot.com/2011/07/tamanna-wallpapers.html

FOR ONLY HOT GUYS SEE THIS
KAJAL AGARWAL LATEST HOT WITHOUT TOP
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/kajal-agarwal-hot-photos.html
PRANITHA LATEST HOT PHOTOS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/09/pranitha-hot.html
HOT KATRINAKAIF WALLPAPERS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/katrina-kaif-hot.html
SAMANTHA HOT WALLPAPERS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/09/samantha-hot.html
TAMANNA HOT PHOTOS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/tamanna-hot.html
HOT MALLU ACTRESS BHAMA
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/09/bhama-hot.html
TOLLYWOOD HOT ACTRESSES
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/hot-actrsess.html
SONAKSHI SINHA HOT PHOTOS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/09/sonakshi-sinha-hot.html
PRIYANKA CHOPRA LATEST HOT PHOTOS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/priyanka-chopra-hot.html

LATEST AMISHA PATEL HOT PICS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/amisha-patel-hot.html
TAPSEE DIFFERENT STILLS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/tapsee-hot.html
PRIYAMANI HOT PHOTOS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/priyamani-hot.html

FOR FAST UPDATES IN TELUGU FILM INDUSTRY
TAMIL ACTRESS HOT PHOTO SHOOT
http://allyouwants.blogspot.com/2011/08/tamil-actress.html
SOUTH INDIAN HOT ACTRESS PICS
http://allyouwants.blogspot.com/2011/08/hot-actress.html
DEEPIKA PADUKONE IN DUM MARO DUM MOVIE
http://allyouwants.blogspot.com/2011/08/deepika-in-dum-maro-dum.html
PRIYAMANI SPICY PHOTOS IN COW GIRL
http://allyouwants.blogspot.com/2011/02/priyamani-spicy-photo-shoot-cow-girl.html

PRIYAMANI SPICY PHOTOS IN COW GIRL
http://allyouwants.blogspot.com/2011/02/priyamani-spicy-photo-shoot-cow-girl.html
KAJAL HOT PHOTOS IN SAREE
http://allyouwants.blogspot.com/2011/06/kajal-very-spice-pics.html

863. Re: Get Kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-15 13:33:11 UTC
From: "tholen@antispam.ham" <tholen@ifa.hawaii.edu>
Message-ID: <5b70a3a8-a75f-4323-9da4-44ceb9b80b1b@c29g2000yqd.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4104
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.shortwave,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy,alt.slack

kb9rqz <kb9rqz@safrica.com> writes:

480> Newsgroups:
rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.shortwave,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy,a
lt.slack

480> FAKE ON FAKE

What does that have to do with rec.radio.amateur.misc,
rec.radio.shortwave,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy,
alt.slack, kb9rqz?

864. Re: They are laughing and I mean LAUGHING at you in ScrubGenius

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-15 13:34:23 UTC
From: "tholen@antispam.ham" <tholen@ifa.hawaii.edu>
Message-ID: <aac5f293-606a-4f3d-9c2c-9a6cf4685f16@s7g2000yqd.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4103
Cross-posted to: alt.slack,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy

kd8ctl <kd8ctl@iname.com> writes:

18> Newsgroups:
alt.slack,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.polic
y

18> while my morkins will be enjoying my excrement stew.

18> morkins loves the taste AND the smell!

What does that have to do with alt.slack,rec.radio.amateur.misc,
rec.radio.cb,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy, kd8ctl?

865. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-15 19:45:46 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <7c135355-c25b-4490-beb8-3810da94ba73@dq7g2000vbb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4105
Cross-posted to: alt.slack,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On Sep 14, 10:55 pm, kd8ctl <kd8...@iname

866. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-15 19:49:48 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <fb054361-2b7a-453f-8a61-06578254f3b0@f41g2000yqh.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4106

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On Sep 15, 7:25 am, SAMARA <jaidatta9...@gmail.com> wrote:
>                    FOR GOOD JOBS SITES TO YOU
>                http://goodjobssites.blogspot.com/
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>                           FOR HOT

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867. Re: get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-15 20:00:34 UTC
From: "tholen@antispam.ham" <tholen@ifa.hawaii.edu>
Message-ID: <60f49849-566d-4d5c-a9b1-851029ae7f52@o9g2000vbo.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4107
Cross-posted to: alt.slack,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy

kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com> writes:

482> Newsgroups:
alt.slack,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.polic
y

482> Message-ID: <7c135355-c25b-4490-
beb8-3810da94ba73@dq7g2000vbb.googlegroups.com>

What does your empty response to kd8ctl have to do with
alt.slack,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb,
comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy, kb9rqz?

868. The ARRL Letter for September 15, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-15 22:25:44 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20110915192004.C548D2739C@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 4108
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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==> + PUBLIC SERVICE: MISSOURI HAMS HELP OUT WHEN 911 SERVICE GOES DOWN

It doesn't take a major disaster for Amateur Radio to step in and
save the day. Around 9 PM on September 5, a cable cut completely
isolated the Johnson County 911 Center in Warrensburg, Missouri,
impacting landline, Internet and cellular service. Johnson County --
home to Whiteman Air Force Base -- is located just east of the Kansas
City metro area.

Johnson County's emergency plan called for the telephone company to
transfer all 911 calls to the Henry County 911 facility in Clinton,
Missouri; Henry County is the next county south of Johnson County. But
an equipment problem at Henry County's center prevented the transfer
from completing successfully. Calls were then routed to the Benton
County 911 Center in Warsaw, Missouri; Benton County is the next county
west of Henry County. This transfer was successful and calls started
coming in to Warsaw. Unfortunately, Warsaw is more than 40 miles from
Warrensburg, and the two centers were unable to establish communication
using the county VHF radio facilities. It was then that radio amateurs
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were brought in to provide communications support. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/missouri-hams-help-out-when-911-service-goes-down>.

==> + ARRL TO WELCOME USTTI STUDENTS NEXT MONTH

Next month -- October 3-7 -- the ARRL will welcome international students who want to learn how to administer and regulate Amateur Radio programs in their home countries. This course, offered by the United States Telecommunications Training Institute (USTTI) for learners from developing countries, will help the participants create, administer and foster an Amateur Radio Service in their countries. This is the 27th year that the ARRL has participated in the USTTI program. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-to-welcome-ustti-students-next-month>.

==> + ARRL SEEKS TREASURER

After more than 31 years of distinguished service to the ARRL as its volunteer Treasurer, Jim McCobb, K1LU, has decided to step down when his current term expires in January 2012. The ARRL is seeking qualified candidates from among its membership. The Board of Directors elects the Treasurer and other officers at its Annual Meeting in even-numbered years.

The Treasurer is a non-voting member of the Board of Directors and must be a licensed radio amateur and a Full member of the ARRL for four continuous years prior to nomination. The ARRL By-laws <http://www.arrl.org/arrl-by-laws> define the role of the Treasurer as follows:

- In consultation with and subject to the general supervision of the Administration and Finance Committee, provides for the investment and reinvestment of the surplus funds of the League in any bonds or stocks or other securities as would be selected by a trustee with the care of a prudent investor.
- Reports to and attends all regular meetings of the Board of Directors.
- Serves as a member of the Administration and Finance Committee.

The position is unpaid; however, necessary expenses including travel to meetings are reimbursable.

A Search Committee has been established to recommend one or more candidates for Treasurer to the Board. Additional information about the position is available here <http://www.arrl.org/files/media/News/ARRL_Treasurer-Position_Description.pdf>.
Interested and qualified members are invited to submit a Statement of Interest and qualifications by November 14, 2011 to the Secretary, preferably by e-mail <dsumner@arrl.org>.

==> + ARRL FACEBOOK PAGE: 20,000 FANS STRONG

With more than 20,000 fans on Facebook, the ARRL Facebook page is the number one spot for hams on the Internet's most popular social networking site. Not only is the ARRL page the most popular Amateur Radio page on Facebook, it is attracting many young -- and not-so-young -- hams to share their opinions and ham radio-related news with other hams. According to Facebook demographics, more than 460 people between the ages of 13-17 are fans of the ARRL's page, with 74 percent of users below the age of 55. Since September 2010, hundreds of users post their own comments on the page, make a comment on a post or "like" a comment each week. The ARRL has been active on Facebook since July 2010; since that time, the page has been viewed almost 14.5 million times by fans and non-fans alike. The ARRL also has a Logbook of the World Facebook page. Premiering in June 2011, this popular page has almost 1000 ham fans. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-facebook-page-20-000-fans-strong>.

==> + HEATHKIT'S AMATEUR RADIO PLANS TAKING SHAPE

Heathkit Educational Systems hopes to reenter the Amateur Radio market by the end of 2011. Back in August, Heathkit announced <http://www.arrl.org/news/heathkit-returns-to-the-kit-business> its return to the kit business and actively solicited suggestions. The response from Amateur Radio operators convinced Heathkit to develop several Amateur Radio products.

"When we made the announcement on our web page about a month ago, we had no intention of entering the Amateur Radio kit market," Ernie Wake, Heathkit's Director of Sales and Marketing, told the ARRL. "The response was really overwhelming, exciting and scary. The scary part is that the brand name has so much loyalty that we don't want to disappoint the people who have such fond memories."

Wake said that Heathkit is presently working on developing a few Amateur Radio kits. "Initially, the kit line will include a few 'accessories,' like kits for a Dual Watt Meter, Antenna Tuners and the Cantenna," he explained. "Once we are a little more 'settled,' I think we will develop a QRP receiver. We won't rush to market just to get there. We want to develop a line of kits in the tradition of Heathkit. I'm hoping to have one or two kits by the end-of-the-year."

==> QEX -- THE SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2011 ISSUE

The September/October issue of QEX <http://www.arrl.org/qex> is already out, and it is full of theoretical and practical technical articles that you won't want to miss. QEX is the ARRL's "Forum for Communications Experimenters." Published bimonthly, it features technical articles, columns and other items of interest to radio amateurs and communications professionals. The mission of QEX is threefold: To provide a medium for the exchange of ideas and information among Amateur Radio experimenters; to document advanced technical work in the Amateur Radio field, and to support efforts to advance the state of the Amateur Radio art. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/em-qex-em-the-september-october-2011-issue>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "When the Sun is setting
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=znOOaKPTH2Y>" Cook, K7RA, reports:
Although the average daily sunspot numbers are lower -- down nearly 13
points to 91.7 -- the average daily solar flux is higher by 6.7 points,
rising to 122.2. Yes, solar activity is rising rapidly. You could see
it coming earlier this week by glancing at the STEREO mission
<http://stereo.gsfc.nasa.gov/> when you looked at the back side of the
Sun. There was lots of activity, and you can still see quite a bit more
(those white patches) just over the eastern horizon, which is on the
left side of the image beyond -90 degrees. The image of the daily Sun
<http://spaceweather.com/> shows a disc peppered with sunspots, a
welcome sight after watching the current solar cycle seem to stall.
Numerous CME events disturbed the Earth's magnetic field. The planetary
A index record shows September 9, 10 and 12 were the most active days,
with the index at 36, 33 and 27. The autumnal equinox in the northern
hemisphere is just a week away: September 23 at 0905 UTC, which is 5:05
AM EDT or 02:05 AM PDT. Luckily, the increased sunspot activity should
continue. The predicted solar flux is 145 on September 15-17, 150
September 18-22, 110 on September 23-24, and 115 on September 25-29.
The predicted planetary A index is 5 on September 15-18, 7 on September
19, 5 on September 20-23, 7 on September 24-25, 5 on September 26-29,
and 15 on September 30. Look for more information on the ARRL website
on Friday, September 16. For more information concerning radio
propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation
page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad
Cookism" is brought to you by The Go-Go's Beneath the Blue Sky
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=znOOaKPTH2Y>.

==> + NEW QUICKSTATS POLL NOW AVAILABLE ON ARRL WEBSITE

Four new poll questions have just been published on the QuickStats page
<http://www.arrl.org/quickstats> on the ARRL website. Let your voice be
heard!

Questions in this month's QuickStats poll:

- What is the longest time you've ever spent at your radio (including
brief breaks)?
- Do you analyze your antenna designs with modeling software before
you build the antennas?
- Have you monitored signals from the new ARISSat-1 satellite?
- How far are you willing to drive for a hamfest?

Visit the QuickStats page <http://www.arrl.org/quickstats> and be sure
to bookmark it in your browser. Results from this QuickStats poll will
be published in the December 2011 issue of QST on the QuickStats page,
located in the rear advertising section of the magazine. Along with
monthly poll results, QST QuickStats offers colorful charts and graphs
that highlight interesting Amateur Radio statistics.

==> THIS WEEK ON THE RADIO

This week:

- September 16 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder; AGB NEMIGA Contest
- September 17 -- Connecticut QSO Party; Feld Hell Sprint
- September 17-18 -- ARRL 10 GHz and Up Contest (local time)
<http://www.arrl.org/news/go-high-for-the-2011-arrl-10-ghz-and-up-contest>;
South Carolina QSO Party; Washington State Salmon Run; CIS DX QPSK63
Contest; Scandinavian Activity Contest (CW); SRT HF Contest (SSB); QRP
Afield
- September 18 -- North American Sprint (SSB); WAB 144 MHz QRP Phone
Contest; BARTG Sprint 75
- September 19 -- Run for the Bacon QRP Contest; 144 MHz Fall Sprint
(local time)
- September 22 -- NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint

Next week:

- September 23 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- September 24 -- AGCW VHF/UHF Contest
- September 24-25 -- ARRL EME Contest
<http://www.arrl.org/eme-contest>; Texas QSO Party; CQ Worldwide DX
Contest (RTTY)
- September 25 -- UBA ON 6 Meter Contest
- September 26 -- QRP Homebrewer Sprint
- September 27 -- 222 MHz Fall Sprint (local time)
- September 28 -- SKCC Sprint
- September 28-29 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest
Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update
<http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest
Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more
information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out
the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page
<http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- September 17 -- ARRL Roanoke Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/roanoke-division-convention-virginia-beach-hamf
est>,
Virginia Beach, Virginia
- September 24 -- ARRL Washington State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/washington-state-convention-35th-annual-spokane
-hamfest>,
Spokane Valley, Washington
- October 8-9 -- ARRL Florida State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/florida-state-convention-melbourne-hamfest>,
Melbourne, Florida
- October 9 -- ARRL Connecticut State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/connecticut-state-convention-1>,
Wallingford, Connecticut
- October 14-16 -- ARRL Pacific Division Convention

<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/pacificon-2011>, Santa Clara, California
- October 21-22 -- ARRL West Gulf Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-gulf-division-convention-texoma-hamarama>,
Ardmore, Oklahoma
- October 22 -- ARRL Iowa State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/iowa-state-convention-hamboree-2011>,
Sergeant Bluff, Iowa
- November 6 -- ARRL Iowa Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/iowa-section-convention>, Davenport, Iowa
- November 19-20 -- ARRL Indiana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/indiana-state-convention-fort-wayne-hamfest-and
-computer-expo>,
Fort Wayne, Indiana
- December 3-4 -- ARRL West Central Florida Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-central-florida-section-convention-tampa-b
ay-hamfest-1>,
Palmetto, Florida

To find a convention or hamfest near you, click here
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869. WIANEWS for WEEK COMMENCING SEPTEMBER 18 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-15 23:24:50 UTC
From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
Message-ID: <746349bc-71b8-4de6-872b-ff9606e265ef@smxsrv01.vintek.net>
Source record: 4109
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2011-09-18.mp3
Text edition:

SEPTEMBER 18 2011. VK and WW STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING SEPTEMBER 18 2011.

The 8th Region 3 ARDF Championships
http://www.ardf.org.au

The 8th Region 3 ARDF Championships are being held from the 23rd to the 28th September, 2011 at Maldon Victoria Australia.
These games are hosted by the Wireless Institute of Australia, and will be run by the Victorian ARDF Group Inc.About the Event

The event is being held at Maldon which is in the Bendigo district of Victoria, Australia. This is a historic gold mining area, just over two hours drive from Melbourne airport. Click the following Link for more information on the Maldon/Bendigo area.

Accommodation will be at the Victorian Blue Light Youth Camps in Maldon Click the following Link for more information.Program

The program for the 2011 Region 3 ARDF Championships is as follows:

Friday 23rd September: Arrival Day
Saturday 24th September: Equipment Check & Opening Ceremony
Sunday 25th September: 2m ARDF Competition
Monday 26th September: Tour Day
Tuesday 27th September: 80m ARDF Competition & Closing Banquet/Prizes
Wednesday 28th September: Departure DayFurther Information

For further information, please contact:

John (Jack) Bramham, VK3WWW
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WIA National Field Day
Introduction
The WIA National Field Day has been run twice within the last 12 Months with an steady increase in the numbers taking part as indicated by the logs, photos & other responses received. Certificates of appreciation have been distributed to the participating clubs and individuals for both the 2010 and 2011 events. If you believe your certificate has not

been received, please contact the WIA office.
Objective
The objective of the WIA National Field Day is to positively place the hobby of amateur radio in front of the general public, to provide various clubs with a opportunity to promote their activities and increase the awareness of amateur radio training opportunities, either via the local clubs or the amateur radio fraternity as a whole.
Looking Forward
The proposed date of the next WIA National Field Day is the weekend of the 14th and 15th of April 2012. General consensus is that this time of the year is favourable in most areas of Australia. Setting the date(s) will enable clubs to start preparations and to ensure that the appropriate bookings at venues can be made.

You will note that two days have been nominated, this is to support clubs who have indicated that either the Saturday or Sunday may better suit their local community. This is not suggesting that the clubs would need to operate their displays over the two days unless they wanted to. Advertising material will require a little customising by local clubs to match the times and date of the local activity.

Some feedback has been received, requesting the need to clarify the recording of the contacts in the log, e.g. the exchange of numbers. Comment suggesting that this was not required as the event is not intended to be a traditional AR contest. This will be clarified in the 2012 event rules and guidelines. The rewarding or recognition of clubs who take pride in their preparation and presentation will still beencouraged.

Expressions of Interest
The event will continue to be co-ordinated and managed by a small committee. Nominations are now open for interested parties to express their interest in joining this committee. Please forward your expression of interest via your state WIA advisory committee members prior to the 28th of October 2011. Former committee members are welcome to nominate if they wished to continue in this role.
Philip - VK3JNI
Director

Now for a look at October's Amateur Radio magazine

It features the record setting International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend with detailed and pictorial reports from around Australia. Bob Bristow VK6POP reminds us that the Jamboree On The Air is fast approaching.

The technical articles include How to make double sided PCBs the Murray Lang VK6LH way, An auto-coupler repair from Warren Stirling VK3XSW, and Part 2 on a Software Defined Radio by Peter Parker VK3YE.

The Spotlight on SWLing from Robin Harwood VK7RH notes the changes following Spring and the Gaddafi affair.

There's news from VK2, VK3, VK5, VK6 and VK7 plus an update on the Amateur Radio Victoria Centenary. All to be found with the regular columns of AMSAT, DX News, VHF/UHF interest, Contests and ALARA.

Amateur Radio magazine is a membership service and available at selected newsagents.

I'm Barry Robinson VK3PV and you're listening to VK1WIA.

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK1

CRARC Foundation Course, another success

CRARC Education Officer writes that last weekend's foundation course saw six successful Foundation Candidates, with one also passing his Standard level Theory and Regulations papers on the same day.
Alan wishes to thank the team of Glenn VK1NUT, Gil VK1GH, Steve VK2ZSZ, John VK1ET, Wayne VK1VNB and Stan VK1FSTJ, for their help in running the course, and continues to say that due to demand they've run Foundation weekends in July, August and September with another again in November. Keep an eye on the VK1 Email NEWS and VK1 reflector for the revised date and contact education/at/crarc.ampr.org.au for all first time and upgrade enquiries and bookings.

VK2

VK2 - News from the Oxley Region Amateur Radio Club Inc.

The Oxley Region Amateur Radio Club is celebrating its 40th birthday with an Anniversary Lunch at the Port Macquarie Golf Club at 12 noon on Sunday the 2nd of October 2011. Visitors and their families are welcome. All amateur radio operators who attend will receive an attractive commemorative certificate. For more details please visit the club's website http://www.orarc.org/ or contact the president, Henry Lundell VK2ZHE on mobile phone number 0427 947 921.

VK3

THE DIGITAL ATV EVENT OF THE YEAR

While perhaps not garnering the national media's attention like 'Scott & Charlene' on Neighbours decades ago, we congratulate Matt VK3EVL & Emily VK3FEGL who shared their special day with ATV viewers via VK3RTV and the BATC.tv website on Saturday September 17th. We wish them luck with exploring new Operating Modes and dealing with QRMan and QRwoMan is their ongoing QSO together with our hope they enjoy a few harmonics after the occasional pileup.
We're sure to catch up with the newlyweds in a coming WIA News bulletin and hear about their day, the ATV linkup and the feedback they've received by Amateurs worldwide.

THE BIG WEEKEND IN NOVEMBER

In support of the Amateur Radio Victoria Centenary so far five stations are going portable as part of the special activity extended weekend focused on the Keith Roget Memorial National Parks Award.

With a Victorian National Park or two nearby to most, it's expected more will register for the weekend of November 18th through to the 20th.

To register your interest first check out the Award section of the website www.amateurradio.com.au and then contact the Awards Manager, Tony Hambling VK3VTH email vk3vth@amateurradio.com.au

SPECIAL CALLSIGN ROSTERING

The roster has begun for the special callsign VK 100 ARV during November to mark the 100th birthday of Amateur Radio Victoria.

Work continues on its QSL card design and the Amateur Radio VictoriaCentenary Award.

Valid contacts with either VK3WI during next month's Oceania DX Phone Contest on the 1st and 2nd of October, or VKI00ARV when on air, are worth ten points towards the award.

Inquiries about the roster need to be made with Tony Hambling VK3VTH email vk3vth@amateurradio.com.au

BALLARAT AMATEUR RADIO GROUP. (BARG). <<AUDIO>>
Club activities are increasing at Ballarat now spring is in the air.
On the Education front we have 2 new Ham calls on the air, Darren VK3FAOE is very excited about being on the air and Phil a club life member who has regained his callsign after a period away from amateur radio. His call is VK3AQM. We all should wish them Well.
Also nearly upon us at BARG is the annual Hamvention to be held on Sunday October 23, doors open at 10am.
This year we are situated at the same location being The Greyhound Racing Track, Rubicon Street, Redan.
This is a wonderful spot with off street parking for hundreds of cars.
We have the usual Quality list of new and used sellers attending on theday.
Tables can be booked for $15.00.Door entry is $6.00.
Further details of this leading Victorian Hamvention can be found on the BARG Website. www.barg.org.au
Sure to be a great day, come along for a RagChew with your friends.
73's This has been Bob, VK3NBV for the Ballarat Amateur Radio Group.

VK4 - QNEWS
VK5
VK6

VI6CHOGM SPECIAL EVENT STATION

The Commonwealth Heads Of Government meeting, usually referred to as CHOGM, happens in Perth in that last week of October. The Queen will attend the meeting. To mark this occasion, there are many community events planned for the week.

Amateur Radio in Western Australia will also mark this occasion in two ways. Firstly, with the support of the Wireless Institute of Australia, the ACMA has granted all Western Australian amateurs the right to use the VI prefix in their callsigns on 28-29-30 October. This should create interest in DX circles over those three days.

The Scout Member Amateur Radio Team in Perth has obtained the callsign VI6CHOGM,and will operate a station continuously for the three day period of CHOGM. There has already been considerable interest around the country and indeed the world in this callsign.

VI6CHOGM will operate from the Peter Hughes Scout Communication Centre in East Cannington, just 20 minutes from the Perth CBD. A special QSL card has been designed, Please note that all outbound QSL cards will be sent via the Bureau unless you mail directly with a SAE and IRC (or SSAE within Australia), and your card is received before November 14th.. We'll be encouraging Scouts to operate the station, however there is a general invitation to all Amateurs to participate either directly as operators, or as observers.

Our website is www.vi6chogm.com. I'm Bob VK6POP

THE WA VHF GROUP SPRING SCRAMBLE

The WA VHF Group Spring Scramble is happening on Sunday 16 October 2011 between 10.30am & 12.30pm local time. [0230 - 0430 Z]

The object is to contact as many different stations as possible, on as many bands, 50 MHz and above, as possible. All licensed modes may be used and extra points can be earned for working portable & countrystations.

Rules will be published shortly, but in the meantime, put the date in your diary and dust off your transceivers, transverters & antennas. Even consider going portable in the field.
VK7
VK8
VK9
VK0

HOME OF THE GOOD GUYS

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART and the WW sources of the WIA.

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SOUTH SUDAN: 'GO ON AIR OR LOSE YOUR LICENCE'

Idle radio and television licensees that are not on air risk their licenses being withdrawn, Hon Dr Barnaba Marial Benjamin, South Sudan Minister for Information and Broadcasting has warned.

"The licences are issued for you to operate and if you are only carrying them in your briefcases to show that you have a broadcasting station, there is no reason why we should not withdraw them", said Dr Marial.

He explained that there are so many media houses knocking at the
ministry's doors for licences and they can't get some of the frequencies
because they have been taken by companies which are nonfunctional.

The minister issued this warning yesterday during a meeting at the
ministry headquarters while addressing operational issues with the topministry officers.

Dr Marial asked the Director of Public Information in the ministry, Paul
Jacob Kumbo, to write to the managers of all these "stations" to explainwhy they remain
idle.

Source: Media Network, Government of South Sudan

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2011

Oct 15th, 2011 (Sat) -- Oct 16th, 2011 (Sun)
Scouts and Guides Jamboree using Amateur Radio JOTA

Oct 22 WIA Jack Files Contest

Nov 26-27 WIA Spring VHF-UHF Field Day

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January VK Ross Hull Memorial VHF UHF Contest

March 17-18 VK JOHN MOYLE MEMORIAL FIELD DAY

June Long Weekend (vk4 time) VK Shires Contest.

July First full weekend NZART Memorial Contest

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

ODXGINC DXPEDITION TO VANUATU

As many of you will already know, ODXG is off to Vanuatu again.
The dates for the operation are 30 Sept through 12 October.
Of special note will be the focus on the WARC bands and RTTY.
Also, the DX-Pedition has authorisation to operate on 60m.
The team will also be participating in the Oceania DX Contest.

For more info pls visit the DX-pedition web sitehttp://yj0vk.odxg.org
As always, any small donation towards offsetting freight charges
will be gratefully appreciated.

WB 6 OJB will be on the air as 7P8JK from Lesotho between September
15th to the 22nd. While other information was given, during his
last Lesotho operation he was on the High Frequency bands from
40 to 10 meters using mostly SSB with some CW.
QSL direct to his home callsign WB 6 OJB.

4 W 6 A will be QRV from Atauro Island (IOTA OC-232), Timor-Leste (EastTimor),
from 16 to 26 September 2011. 10 to 160 metres CW, SSB and RTTY.
QSL manager is M 0 URX, direct via the bureau, or LoTW.

PB 2 JJ will be active as 9H3JN from Malta between September 2nd and the14th. Operations will be on 80 through 10 meters mostly CW but with thepossibility of some SSB. QSL this operation via his home callsign PB 2 JJ.

For rugby enthusiasts, look out for ZL4RUGBY operated by ZL4PW until31st October. This is to celebrate the 2011 Rugby World Cup being played in New Zealand.

THE QNEWS WORK BENCH - the nuts and volts report - Measure Twice cutOnce.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

Stanford University Researchers Announce Sunspot Breakthrough:

Imagine forecasting a hurricane in Miami weeks before the storm was even a swirl of clouds off the coast of Africa -- or predicting a tornado in Kansas from the flutter of a butterfly's wing in Texas. These are the kind of forecasts meteorologists can only dream about. Could the dream come true? A new study by Stanford University researchers suggests that such forecasts may one day be possible -- not on Earth, but on the Sun. In the August 19 issue of Science, Stathis Ilonidis, together with co-workers Junwei Zhao and Alexander Kosovichev, announced that they can see some sunspots while they are still submerged, before they are visible to the naked eye. "This could lead to significant advances in space weather forecasting," Ilondis said.

Most Amateur Radio operators are aware of sunspots, those dark blemishes on the surface of the Sun. This is because sunspots influence propagation. They can be a boon to hams interested in HF propagation, as sunspots are the sites of ultraviolet or extreme ultraviolet radiation that creates our ionosphere. But sunspots can also be destructive. They are the source for disturbances, such as flares and the roots of coronal mass ejections (CMEs) that can hinder propagation. When a CME hits the Earth's atmosphere, the low bands will be depressed and signals will be weaker the lower the frequency. The absorption rate will be most severe on 160 meters, less on 80 and somewhat better on 40 meters. The maximum usable frequency (MUF http://www.hfradio.org/muf_basics.html) -- the highest frequency by which a radio wave can propagate between given terminals by ionospheric propagation alone, independent of power -- will be lower and auroral propagation on the VHF bands is quite possible.Read more here

http://www.arrl.org/news/stanford-university-researchers-announce-sunspot-breakthrough.
Source: The ARRL Letter

AMATEUR BALLOONISTS HIT RECORD 40,575M

While participating in the UKube-1 satellite project with the University of Bath, Australian PhD student Mark Jessop hit the 40,575 metre mark with a helium-filled meteorological balloon. It's a UK record and pretty close to the all-time international amateur altitude maximum. Transmitting details back via his 'miniNut' telemetry system, the 142gram payload was sent up with the intention of testing the system's pressure sensor at high altitudes and the record height was anunexpected bonus. Mark is intending to be back in Australia in time for a Project Horus launch in conjunction with this year's Scouts' 'Jamboree of the Air',

raising a ham radio repeater to an altitude of 30km facilitating
contacts all around the country.
A video, map tracking the ballon's travel and additional photos of those
involved and the equipment are available online:
http://rfhead.net/
http://www.theregister.co.uk/2011/08/23/balloon_record/

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- INTERNET, THE HAMS DOMAIN

10 YEARS IS A LONG TIME ONLINE

In thinking about the decade since September 11, 2001, Technology
Journalist Harry McCraken writes how he "was struck by how much the
world of personal technology has changed. It all happened little by
little, but a remarkable percentage of the things we care about todaydidn't exist yet."

In October 2001 we first met 3G wireless, the iPod and Windows XP with
the first Xbox released a month later. Skype and the iTunes Music Store
appeared in 2003, Firefox and Gmail in 2004, Google Maps 2005, with the
practically unattainable Nintendo Wii made it to market for Christmas
2006 and the first iPhone a year later. Does anybody remember a time
before Angry Birds? Well, apparently that time was pre-2009!

You'll find the full article at
http://technologizer.com/2011/09/11/september-2001-was-a-long-time-ago-in-the-world-of-tec
hnology/
with a list of 'then-and-now' websites, web browser stats and consumer
electronics. But in the Ham Radio world, here are a few things to put
the last decade in perspective: 2001 saw the first trans-atlantic 136khz
transmission, WRC 2003 eliminated the Morse requirement, BPL seems to
have come and gone, Amateurs respond to Katrina, the Boxing Day Tsunami,
Echolink invented, the ever popular Icom 706mkIIG has come and gone.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- MICROWAVE AND ABOVE

Here's a snippet of an audio submission for VK4's QNEWS broadcast this week:

"Hello again from Doug Friend VK4OE from the Brisbane VHF Group, here are
some more details of the "test and tune" day that's coming quite soon:
Services available are:
Power measurement (nW to +++Watts) to 50 GHz
Return loss measurements to 26 GHz
Signal generators to 18 GHz
Spectrum analysis to 50 GHz
Minimum discernable received signal level assessment to 18 GHz
Automatic noise figure and gain measurement to 1.9 GHz, and possiblyhigher(?)
And all this in the presence of interested and helpful amateurs willing
to try and solve 'challenges that may emerge'!"

Our VK4 brethren can hear the full clip on QNEWS this week, but we bring
it to the attention of the national audience as an example of what's going
with the Brisbane VHF Group and excellent preparation and event promotion.
The activity sounds like just the excuse to spend a weekend interstate

and get an early bit of sun after the winter hibernation.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RADIO SCOUTING
http://www.scouts.com.au
http://www.scout.org/jota
http://www.international.scouts.com.au

Jamboree On the Air - only one month to go. No time for panic yet,
but it is time to make sure you have everything right.

The key to a good JOTA weekend is to remember that it's not about
Amateur Radio & it's about Scouts communicating, and Amateur Radio, as
the original medium for this activity, needs to be presented in a way
that the young people will find interesting, relevant and fun.
Preparation
* It's time for the site inspection. Have a look around for high
points for stringing up antennas, determining which type of antenna willbest suit the site.
* Do you need a mast or tower? Suggest to the Scout or Guide
leaders that it would be really nice to have a mast 10 metres high for
an antenna. They could get the youth members to practice their scouting
skills by erecting a mast using poles and ropes.
* find out where the power points are & what are you sharing these
with, etc. Is there an opening for coaxial cable entries?
* What will the ambient noise be like? People need to be able to
hear what's happening on the radio
* Propagation & check conditions early to give you an idea of what
time of day/night to look for DX. One method is to set up a
computer/radio monitoring SSTV over a period of time to provide a record
of where the signals are coming from. Or just watch the DX clusters.
* Station setup & feed audio through a speaker for all to hear, or
use some sort of breakout box for a few sets of headphones?
* Remember that you need to take a break , so recruit helpers &
rope in some fellow Hams to give you a hand.
Equipment
* Scouts and Guides often don't have their own Amateur equipment &
you will need to bring everything that you want to use
Programme

We're trying to present AR as an interesting hobby & think about which
aspects of the hobby you can demonstrate to provide variety and
stimulate interest. We can do more than put kids on a microphone to say
"hello my name's Fred. Over." Remember also that an array of
complicated looking boxes with flashing LEDs, dials and knobs doesn't
float most people's boat. We need to be able to provide an activity
that engages young people and grabs their imagination.

* Voice communications & OK every kid needs to have a go at the
mike, so try to make it more interesting & a great help is to get them
to prepare a "cheat sheet" to prompt them. This task really belongs to
the Scout or Guide leader & perhaps we can encourage them to do thatpreparation.
* Slow Scan TV. Great for when propagation is quiet- arrange with
a group within radio earshot to send and receive SSTV pictures & set up

a webcam on The SSTV computer to provide the photos.
* PSK, RTTY & kids can relate to these as they are a bit like
online chat, and often work well when conditions aren't good for phone.

Information about Scout calling frequencies and other useful stuff can
be found on our website, WWW.international.scouts.com.au - look for
JOTA-JOTI on the menu on the left hand side.
I'm Bob VK6POP

JOTA / JOTI - 15th and 16th of October 2011 - Update
Activity planning is well underway for the 54th JOTA/JOTI on the 15th
and 16th of October 2011.

Radio Operators and Activity Leaders are busy planning interesting
activities to introduce and provide ongoing safe, responsible
participation in Amateur Radio and Internet related activities. An
excellent checklist has been created to assist operators and leaders
with the preparation, planning and to address a few or the common safety
and management issues.

The full list is available in the text edition of this news bulletin,
but here are a couple that caught our eye:

* Have we made any temporary repairs and not revisited the item?
* Have we taken weather into our contingency planning?
* Have we got Amateur Radio promotion material available?
* Will we have our antennas up in the air before pedestrian and vehicle
traffic builds up during bump in and bump out times at the camp or location?
* Have we pre-tested our internet connection and LAN under load?
* Do we have current WWC checks or similar for those States that
* require them.

* Are all our AC electrical power leads and equipment safe, would itpass Test and Tag?
* Have we made any temporary repairs and not revisited the item?
* Are all our DC distribution wiring and batteries safe and protected?
* Have we checked our campsites and antennas for damage over the recentmonths?
* Will we be working at heights to put up our antennas (i.e. on the
roof)? Can we do this safer?
* Are the locations proposed for antennas safe? If they blow down, whatwill they hit?
* Have we considered electrical storms, lightning and quick
disconnection of our equipment?
* Have we minimised the likely hood of slips, trips and falls?
* Will we have our antennas up in the air before pedestrian and vehicle
traffic builds up during bump in and bump out times at the camp or location?
* Can we establish the station outdoor works the weekend before?
* Have we taken weather into our contingency planning?
* Will our wire antennas, guy ropes, and cables be clearly visible and
* safe from passing people and vehicles?
* Have we planned to rope or tape off any RF Hot equipment?
* Have we planned to ensure that our tuners and gear is RF earthed where appropriate?
* What are our plans for station pack up, do we have a safe plan if the
weather or other plans get in the way?

* Have we pre-tested our internet connection and LAN under load?
* Have all PC's in use ready been upgraded up to the latest securityand virus patches?
* Have we done our risk management (Scoutsafe) assessment?
* Have we got enough JOTA/JOTI badges?
* Do we have current. WWC checks or similar for those States thatrequire them.
* Have we got the correct permits to camp?
* Have we got Amateur Radio promotion material available?
* Have we been to the SRESU web site to download the forms for thisyear? Victoria only !

Operating JOTA/JOTI in Victoria (VK3) ? ... Please feel free to use the
Contact SRESU page to further enquire about JOTA/JOTI.

It's certainly a useful checklist to keep on hand for those
participating in JOTA/JOTI activities, and an opportunity for all
Amateurs to review their portable ops kits and mark the weekend of the
15 & 16 October on the calendar as a "C-N-G" weekend -- that's
Compulsive Number Giving weekend, and make sure we fill the bands with
stations for the Scout and Guide groups to contact.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RESCUE RADIO
SOCIAL SCENE
2011

Sep 16-18 VK4 NQ Amateur Radio Convention Date Set Townsville

Sep 23-28 R3 Region 3 ARDF Championship Bendigo VK3
http://r3.ardf.org.au/

Sep 30-Oct 2 VK4 Central Highlands Amateur Radio Club AGM at CampFairbairn

Oct 23 VK3 Hamvention Ballarat Sunday.

Nov 20 vk5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society Hamfest
Goodwood Community Centre, Rosa St Goodwood at 0930.
Visit www.ahars.com.au for contact details
2012

15TH IARU REGION 3 CONFERENCE hosted by V.A.R.C. in Ho-Chi-Minh City,Vietnam.

JAN 23-FEB 17 YEAR 2012
World Radio Conference WRC-11 Geneva 23rd January TO 17th February 2012

FEB 12 VK3 CentreVictoria Hamfest, Kyneton Racecourse

FEB 26 VK2 CCARC WYONG FIELD DAY

MAY 3-18 VK5 YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

Nov 12 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST (ROSEBUD BY THE BAY)

THE FINAL FINAL

HamfestIndia 2011 Reminder to book your railway tickets in advance.

Jaycee VU3BWB writes on the YahooGroup, "Those who wish to travel to
Kochi by train for Hamfest 2011, please book you tickets in advance as

the event coincides with Sabarimala pilgrimage season. Advance
reservation now open upto 11 December 2011. There are only few trains to
Kochi on those dates but special trains may be scheduled later for thepilgrimage."

Perhaps not unusual in a country with so many reliant on train travel,
but an eye opener for most of us in VK who can commute to as many as 4
hamfests in a year within comfortable driving distance, but it's
excellent to see that the Indian Train schedulers are adding extra
capacity for the VU hams, and if they're anything like us VK'ers,
I'd suggest a few freight trailers be attached on the return journey!

Submitting news items

If you would like to submit news items for inclusion in the VK1WIAbroadcasts,
please email your item in text to nationalnews@wia.org.au

to submit audio read "how to submit items" in the weekly news page on wia.org.au

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of itbeing
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http://lists.wia.org.au/mailman/listinfo/vk1wia-news

870. [RAC-Bulletin] [EMCOMM]: Warning - 2011-09-16 05:52:27 UTC

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From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
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Source record: 4110
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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WTCN31 CWHX 160549
SEVERE WEATHER BULLETIN
ISSUED BY THE CANADIAN HURRICANE CENTRE OF ENVIRONMENT CANADA
AT 2:49 AM NDT FRIDAY 16 SEPTEMBER 2011.
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TROPICAL STORM WARNING FOR:
=NEW= BONAVISTA PENINSULA
=NEW= BURIN PENINSULA
ST. JOHN'S AND VICINITY
AVALON PENINSULA NORTH.

HURRICANE MARIA IS RACING TOWARDS SOUTHEASTERN NEWFOUNDLAND AND
IS EXPECTED TO MAKE LANDFALL AS A HURRICANE THIS AFTERNOON.

WINDS GUSTING TO 100 KM/H ARE EXPECTED OVER SOUTHEASTERN
NEWFOUNDLAND. THESE WINDS ARE FORECAST TO GUST TO 120 KM/H
OVER THE SOUTHERN AVALON.

A TROPICAL STORM WARNING MEANS THAT SUSTAINED GALES...WINDS OF
63 KM/H OR MORE...ARE EXPECTED IN THE SPECIFIED AREAS WITHIN 24
HOURS. BY NATURE A TROPICAL STORM ALSO IMPLIES THE THREAT OF
LOCAL FLOODING FROM HEAVY RAINFALL.

HURRICANE WARNING FOR:
=NEW= AVALON PENINSULA SOUTH.

HURRICANE FORCE GUSTS TO 120 KM/H EXPECTED OVER THE SOUTHERN
AVALON THIS AFTERNOON.

A HURRICANE WARNING MEANS THAT ONE OR BOTH OF THE FOLLOWING
DANGEROUS EFFECTS OF A HURRICANE ARE EXPECTED IN THE SPECIFIED
AREAS WITHIN 24 HOURS:.

(A) SUSTAINED HURRICANE FORCE WINDS...WINDS OF 118 KM/H OR
MORE;.

(B) DANGEROUSLY HIGH WATER OR A COMBINATION OF DANGEROUSLY HIGH
WATER AND EXCEPTIONALLY HIGH WAVES, EVEN THOUGH WINDS EXPECTED
MAY BE LESS THAN HURRICANE FORCE.

BY NATURE A HURRICANE ALSO IMPLIES THE THREAT OF LOCAL FLOODING
FROM HEAVY RAINFALL.
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TROPICAL STORM WARNING ENDED FOR:
AVALON PENINSULA SOUTH.
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UPGRADED TO HURRICANE WARNING.

==DISCUSSION==
HURRICANE MARIA IS RACING TOWARD SOUTHEASTERN NEWFOUNDLAND AND IS
EXPECTED TO MAKE LANDFALL AS A HURRICANE NEAR THE ISTHMUS THIS
AFTERNOON. THIS IS A SIGNIFICANT CHANGE IN FORECAST TRACK TO THE
NORTHWEST. AS A RESULT THE HURRICANE WATCH HAS BEEN UPGRADED TO A
WARNING AND THE TROPICAL STORM WARNING HAS BEEN EXPANDED TO INCLUDE
THE BURIN AND BONAVISTA PENINSULAS.

WIND GUSTS FROM 100 TO 120 KM/H WILL LIKELY TOPPLE TREES AND BREAK
LARGE BRANCHES, RESULTING IN DOWNED UTILITY LINES AND POWER
INTERUPTIONS. DAMAGE TO SIGNAGE AND BUILDING CLADDING/ROOFING
MATERIAL IS ALSO POSSIBLE WHEN WINDS GUST TO 120 KM/H OR MORE.

HURRICANE MARIA WILL MERGE WITH A DEVELOPING TROUGH TO ITS NORTH THAT
WILL CONNECT TO A MUCH LARGER NON-TROPICAL LOW OVER LABRADOR.
STRONG WINDS LATER TODAY THROUGH SATURDAY ARE FORECAST OVER THE
REMAINDER OF THE ISLAND AND LABRADOR AS A RESULT.

HEAVY RAIN IS EXPECTED ESPECIALLY OVER MUCH OF NEWFOUNDLAND WHERE 60
TO 90 MILLIMETRES ARE EXPECTED. LOCALLY HEAVIER RAINFALL COULD LEAD
TO LOCAL FLOODING IN PRONE AREAS.

PLEASE REFER TO THE LATEST FORECASTS FOR FURTHER DETAILS.

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The following is a Q-S-T. Ham radio comes to the aid of San Diego when
a power black-out takes down a part of the areas emergency service
communications network, a new Red Cross emergency team down-under seeks
alliances with amateur radio, Puerto Rico originates its first ever EAS
message, the ARRL seeks information on young hams in the 21st century
and Amateur Radio Newsline become a part of Ham Nation on TWIT.TV. Find
out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1779
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RESCUE RADIO: HAM COMES TO THE AID OF SAN DIEGO WHEN ITS FAIL SAFE
COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM FAILS

A ham radio operator uses his knowledge of two-way radio to supplement
communications when power goes out and a failsafe 800 MHz system fails.
Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, is in the newsroom with the details:

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According to news reports, the power mains problem began near Yuma,
Arizona. Affected by the September 8th black-out were parts on
Southern California, South-Western Arizona and Northern Mexico. All of
these areas share the same power grid and in Southern California alone
some 8 million customers lost electric service. And when the lights
went out in San Diego, so did parts of the regions 800 MHz shared
emergency communications network.

The problem that arose was that in some North County service areas
mobiles in the field could not hear their dispatchers. In other places
the dispatchers could not communicate with mobile stations. But thanks
to some thoughtful planning by North County Fire Battalion Chief Don
Stevens, KF6ATL, a combination of ham radio know-how and an ageing
commercial VHF radio system, not all was lost:

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KF6ATL: "Probably 15 years ago most of the Fire Departments in North
San Diego County were on the VHF system. Subsequent to that, San Diego
County, fot inter-operability reasons built a regional communications

that they call the RDS system. It's a Motorola system like other Motorola systems throughout the United States.

"Before we went to the system we are dispatched on at present, we were one of the last holdouts to go onto the 800 MHz system. And when we did that, one of the decisions that a couple of us made was not only to keep our (VHF) licenses, but also to turn our then remote-base transmitters into repeaters. We felt that we were not going to do what a lot of other cities did and that was to completely get rid of their VHF infrastructure all together."

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Stevens tells Newsline that while his department is a part of the county wide 800 MHz system, when the switchover took place he decided to keep the San Diego North County VHF system as a back-up:

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KF6ATL: "We had about 6 or 7 frequencies licensed to what was then the Fallbrook Fire Department which is now the North County Fire Department, and slowly but surely I took those licenses and turned three of them into what we call "Command Channels" or "Command Frequencies" and we strategically located them on mountaintops throughout North San Diego County.

"One of the first repeaters we put up was at a place called Buffalo Bump. Its on Camp Pendleton. It was followed by a same-licensed repeater up on Palomar Mountain and then another frequency located on Red Mountain, all within eye-sight of Fallbrook.

"And then I have one other repeater that bI consider a low level repeater located in downtown Fallbrook."

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That forward planning by KF6ATL paid off then the power failure hit:

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KF6ATL: "I was off on the day that the 800 MHz failure occurred with the power outage. Luckilly, one of my counterparts who works for the city of San Marcos - Dave Schloss - recognized that there was a failure - and like myself - he realized that we needed to do something with our 800 system to have redundancy. So he reacted quickly and called the Dispatch Center and started moving all the traffic over to my North County Fire VHF repeaters."

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We asked Stevens if his experience as a radio amateur helped in the pre-planning of the North County VHF radio back up system:

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KF6ATL: "Pretty much everything that I've done, Iv'e done myself. I've taught myself how to program repeaters. The only thing that I didn't do was was to hang the antennas."

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In the end, Stevens hopes other communities will do as his did and make certain that some sort of back up emergency radio system is in place. This, just in case the unthinkable happens and the primary system fails.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the studio in Los Angeles.

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If nothing else, this is another incident that proves putting all emergency communications eggs into a single, supposedly fail-safe system can very easily fail is not a very good idea. (CGC, ARNewsline(tm))

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RESCUE RADIO: NEW RED CROSS EMCOMM GROUP DOWN-UNDER

A new Emergency Communications Network has recently been set up by the architects of Australia's Red Cross Emergency Communications known by the acronym RECOM. The RECOM organizational and technical model adopted in 1997 has been extremely successful in its work with Red Cross, and RECOM would now like to offer the new network infrastructure to other similarly setup amateur emergency communications organizations. You can find out more about this new network in an article by Phil Wait, VK2DKN, which can be found at tinyurl.com/3ccbys8 (WIA)

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RESCUE RADIO: PUERTO RICE ORIGINATES IRS FIRST EAS NESSAGE

For the first time ever the government of Puerto Rico originated an Emergency Alert System message during the aftermath of Hurricane Irene.

According to FEMA Integrated Public Alert and Warning System Program Manager Manny Centeno, Puerto Rico had previously used NOAA Weather Radio to originate E-A-S alerts. Centeno noted that broadcasters and cable operators helped the Puerto Rico Emergency Management Agency transmit a message on August 24th.

The hurricane hit the island on August 21st and 22nd, leaving more than one million residents without power.

The Emergency Alert System or EAS is a national warning system in the United States put into place in January of 1997. This, when it superseded the Emergency Broadcast System which in turn had superseded the original CONELRAD System. In addition to alerting the public of local weather emergencies such as hurricanes, tornadoes and flash

floods, the E-A-S is designed to enable the President of the United States to speak to the citizenry within 10 minutes. However, to date the nationwide federal EAS has never been activated. (RW)

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RESCUE RADIO: CANWARN NET ACTIVATED FOR HURRICANE MARIA

I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, back with some breaking news.

Ham radio operators in Eastern Canada are being activated once again. This as yet another tropical storm is expected to hit the Maritime Provinces in coming days.

According to Radio Amateurs of Canada, it's expected that Tropical Storm Maria will have a direct impact on Newfoundland, particularly the Avalon Peninsula. Due to a low pressure system that will likely merge, an exact track is difficult to predict. However, in the effected area storm surge, pounding surf, high winds and a unknown amount of rain tht can be expected.

As a result, full activation of a Newfoundland and Labrador Hurricane CANWARN Net will begin at 1430 UTC on Friday, September 17th on 3.740 MHz. Its operation will continue for the duration of the severe weather event. Other amateurs who are within radio range of this net are requested to keep this frequency clear until Hurricane Maria has past the area and net operations are secured. Meantime, hams in the affected area are advised to keep tuned to their local news and weather reports. (RAC)

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YOUNG HAMS: ARRL FORMS YOUTH IN THE SECOND CENTURY COMMITTEE

The ARRL wants to learn more about getting youngsters into ham radio and has formed a special committee to find out how.

According to a Internet posting credited to K0CA, at its July meeting, the ARRL Board of Directors approved a motion authorizing the appointment of a Youth in the Second Century Committee. ARRL President Kay Craigie, N3KN, has since appointed the committee, which is chaired by Rocky Mountain Division Director and former Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Brian Mileshosky, N5ZGT.

The purpose and goals of this committee are to enhance the League's outreach to potential radio amateurs among America's youth. The League's centennial in 2014 will highlight not only the accomplishments of the past but also point towards Amateur Radio's future. The ARRL believes that meaningful plans to excite young Americans about amateur radio today and in the future must take into account the ideas, lifestyles, and experiences of youthful amateur radio operators.

The Committee on Youth in the Second Century will seek input from younger members of ham radio society and also from adult amateurs

working with young people., It will make recommendations to the Staff and will report to the Board of Directors beginning in January 2012. (K0CA, UseNet)

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>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the W7FP repeater serving Salt Lake City, Utah.

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NEWS OF NEWSLINE: AMATEUR RADIO NEWSLINE JOINS THE HAM NATION TEAM

Amateur radio Newsline is now a weekly feature of Ham Nation on the TWIT TV Internet television network. The announcement was made on the Tuesday evening, September 13th edition when this reporter along with out producer Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, joined Bob Heil, K9EID, and his co-host Gordon West, WB6NOA, to make the announcement:

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K9EID: "Each week we are going to bring a couple of minutes of Newsline to Ham Nation and kind of keep our audience up on some of the top news."

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TWIT TV Network founder Leo LaPorte, W6TWT, was also on hand to welcome us into the Ham Nation family:

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W6TWT: "We are thrilled to have the addition of regular news on this show. What better place to run Newsline than right here.

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After that, I had the honor of doing the first of the weekly 2-minute news capsules live. Ill be there for the next few weeks after which former Newsline anchorman Robert Sudock, WB6FDF, will be taking over the weekly Ham Nation news reports.

If you missed the live show, you can download the podcast and listen or watch. Both can be reached by taking your web browser to www.twit.tv/hn.

And less I forget, speaking for the entire Amateur Radio Newsline team, its great to be a part of Ham Nation. (ARNewsline(tm))

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC FINES LPFM $12000 FOR UNCERTIFIED TRANSMITTER

The FCC has issued a $12,000 Notice of Proposed Liability to Power Ministries' owned low power FM station WRLE (LP), in Dunellon, Florida. This, after a June 2010 investigation of interference to Federal Aviation Administration operations in the near-by city of Jacksonville revealed that the stations transmitter was the source.

After receiving the complaint from the FAA, an FCC agent used direction finding techniques and traced the interfering signal to the WRLE transmitter. When instructed by the agent to turn off the transmitter the operator on-duty refused to do so. Nor would the station owner authorize it.

The agent then spoke to the station owner on the telephone, reiterating the safety of life hazard and requesting that the station turn off its transmitter. The station owner still refused to do so unless his station engineer was present. Thirty minutes later, the owner himself arrived and allowed a station inspection and then turned off the transmitter.

While waiting for the owner to arrive, the field agent noticed the transmitter wasn't certified. The gear was a CSI exciter, model EX20F and a model FM250E PTEK amplifier. When the transmitter was turned off, the agent said that the spurious emissions and interference to the FAA ceased.

Power Ministries later told the FCC the non-certified transmitter had been used at WRLE from March to June of 2010. It added a certified transmitter was being used as of that July.

Traditionally fined low-power FM stations are only fined in the hundreds of dollars for rule infractions. But in making its decision to fine WRLE $12,000, the commission found the violations were particularly egregious because of the safety issues posed to flights into and out of the Jacksonville area. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: NEW MEXICO ALLEGED POLICE JAMMER DINGED $25,000

The FCC has issued a $25,000 Notice of Apparent Liability to Monetary Forfeiture to Esteven J. Gutierrez. This for his alleged jamming of the Las Vegas Police Department's two way radio system. Amateur Radio Newslines's Norm Seeley, KI7UP, has more:

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The story goes back to this past February 15th. That's when an agent from the Enforcement Bureau's San Diego Office arrived with an mobile direction-finding vehicle to investigate, locate, and assist in resolving the interference on 159.150 MHz. .

On his arrival, the FCC agent was briefed by the Las Vegas New Mexico Police Department's Deputy Chief about the situation that included the

subject's use of obscenities and threats against police officers and their families. A police sergeant identified the voice as that of to Esteven J. Gutierrez, who was known to the sergeant from prior incidents. The sergeant told FCC agent that he believed that the individual interfering with the dispatch channel was Gutierrez but that he had no known current address.

That evening the subject transmitted on 159.150 MHz making threats to police officers. The San Diego agent, accompanied by the police officers used radio direction-finding techniques and determined that the signal was mobile and was not transmitting from a fixed location.

On February 16th the subject again began transmitting and the agent again used direction finding and that this time the signal was coming from inside a duplex apartment. The San Diego agent informed the police sergeant of the subjects location. The sergeant along with several other officers identified and observed Gutierrez inside the duplex holding a handheld radio and shortly thereafter apprehended him. The San Diego agent and the police sergeant identified the handheld radio as an Icom model IC-F50, tuned to 159.150 MHz.

And now it appears as if its time for Guiterrez to pay the piper for his purported jamming of the Las Vegas, New Mexico Police communications system. While the combined base forfeiture for this sort of illegal action is $17,000 the rules give the FCC leeway in assessing a proposed fine. In this case the agency says that it finds Gutierrez's alleged misconduct particularly egregious because his unlicensed operation included willful and malicious interference police operations. Based on this the FCC says that an upward adjustment of $8,000 to the combined base forfeiture is warranted. Adding the two amounts together, that's $25,000 that the FCC wants for Guiterrez to pay.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP, in Scottsdale, Arizona

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Guiterrez was given the customary 30 days to pay or to file an appeal. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT REQUIRED: HACKER ISSUES FALSE TERROR REPORTS ON NBC NEWS WEBSITE

Talk about a truly sick joke. On the eve of the 10th anniversary of the 911 terror attacks on New York City and the Pentagon, a hacker gained access to the Twitter account of NBC News and sent out a handful of false tweets about a suspected hijacking and a plane attack at ground zero.

Staffers at NBC noticed the false tweets at around 6 p.m. Eastern time on Friday, September 9th. They quickly contacted Twitter and had the account suspended. NBC News anchor Brian Williams then read a statement on the air saying the reports were false. Several hours later the NBC Twitter account was restored and the false postings were removed.

A group calling themselves Script Kiddies mentioned themselves in the tweets and appeared to be responsible. NBC says that it has contacted authorities including the New York Police Department and FBI about the incident. As we go to air, several investigations are underway. (Published news reports)

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BAND PLANNING: ARRL LOOKING AT SHF BANDPLANS

The ARRL Board has established a committee to update the suggested band plans on 33, 23, 13 and 9cm. If you are active on any of these bands or are using them in any unique ways, please send your e-mail address to Southwest Division Vice-Director Marty Woll, N6VI, who serves on that committee, and he'll let you know how to provide your input to the process. His e-mail is N6VI at arrl dot org. Or you can contact your Division's representative on the group. (ARRL Southwest Div. Communicator)

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RADIO POLITICS: VE3WXM RE-ELECTED RAC DIRECTOR FOR SOUTH ONTARIO

And words of congratulations to Jeffrey Stewart, VA3WXM who was recently re-elected as the Radio Amateurs of Canada Director for Ontario South. Stewart was initially voted in as the Director in May 2011 and has involved in many aspects of the hobby. Stewart's ran unopposed. His new term will cover January 1, 2012 to December 31, 2013. (RAC)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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STUFF FROM SPACE: LOOK OUT BELOW

A NASA official says that the decommissioned Upper Atmosphere Research Satellite is expected to re-enter Earth's atmosphere in an uncontrolled fall in late September or early October. Much of the spacecraft is expected to burn up during re-entry, but some pieces are expected to

make it to the ground,

The Amsat News Service says that Leonard David reported in his September 7th Space Insider Column that NASA computer analysis showed about 150 component types, including the parent body of the satellite, will burn during re-entry, but up to 26 would endure the fiery fall to Earth. The analysis indicated a surviving mass of 1,170 pounds will reach Earth within a debris footprint some 500 miles long.

NASA says that the risk to public safety or property is extremely small but admits that there is a chance that pieces of debris from the satellite will crash in areas accessible to the public. It asks that if you find something you think may be a piece of the fallen bird that you do not touch it. Instead, please contact a local law enforcement official for assistance.

The Upper Atmosphere Research Satellite is 35 feet long, 15 feet in diameter, and weighs 5.7 metric tons. It's operational orbit was at 375 miles inclined at 57 degrees to the equator. The full story of its upcoming demise was published on September 7th on the Space.com website at tinyurl.com/falling-satellite. (AMSAT News Service, Space.com)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: CUBESAT STRAND-1 GETS OPERATING FREQUENCY

The International Amateur Radio Union Satellite Frequency Coordination Panel has agreed a frequency of 437.575 MHz for the UK STRaND-1 CubeSat. This satellite will carry a Smartphone and plans to have a UOSAT style speech synthesizer and a 9600 or 19200 bps AX.25 packet downlink.

STRaND-1 is a 3 unit mini-bird measuring only 30 by 10 by 10 cm. and weighing 4 kg. Unlike previous CubeSats STRaND-1 will feature full 3-axis control with the attitude an orbit control system comprising a nano-magne-torquer, nano-reaction wheels, GPS receiver, 8 pulse plasma thrusters and a butane thruster.

A six page article on STRaND-1 appeared in the Spring issue of OSCAR News available at tinyurl.com/strand-one. (M5AKA)

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VICARIOUSLY IN SPACE: NEW NASA WEB SPACE RIDE ALONG

NASA is giving the public the power to vicariously journey through the solar system using a new interactive Web-based tool. The "Eyes on the Solar System" interface combines video game technology and NASA data to create an environment for users to ride along with agency spacecraft and explore the cosmos. Screen graphics and information such as planet locations and spacecraft maneuvers use actual space mission data. You can begin your ride at solarsystem.nasa.gov/eyes (ANS)

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HAM RADIO AND THE WWW: HAM RADIO DELUXE WILL CONTINUE

Development of the very popular Ham Radio Deluxe software suite will continue. This with word that its current developer, Simon Brown, HB9DRV, has accepted an offer from Mike Carper WA9PIE, Randy Gawtry, K0CBH and Rick Ruhl, W4PC, to purchase the source and rights to it.

Ruhl has blogged via QRZ dot com and Facebook that they plan to continue the development and support of this fine product. Among their plans appear to be a new Digital Desktop for certain Alinco, Icom, Kenwood and Yaesu radios. This would allow the use of a single USB cable to interface with select radios or a full version for MFJ, Kantronics or AEA Terminal Node Controllers. This in turn would permit faster access for emergency communications operators to their Packet TNC's.

As to when a new edition of Ham Radio Deluxe will be made available? Ruhl, who owns W4PC Software says to be please patient. A formal announcement will be forthcoming in the not to distant future. (W4PC via QRZ and Facebook)

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HAM RADIO ON THE WEB: ADIF SEARCH WIDGET AVAILABLE FROM DH9SB

And DH9SB has announced that because more and more DXpeditions use Wordpress, that he has written a widget for Wordpress that can do a search for callsigns in the operations logs. It supports more than one callsign and references. Also, the log can be uploaded as A-D-IF to different electronic logbooks. More information on this software plug-in is available at tinyurl.com/wordpress-widget. (DH9SB)

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WORLBEAT: SOUTH SUDAN TO MOVE ITS CAPITAL CITY

South Sudan's Information Minister Marial Benjamin says the new nation is planning to move its capital from the bustling but crowded city of Juba to a town that offers ample room to expand.

Marial Benjamin released a statement on Sunday, Septembr 3rd that said the government has secured more than 15 square miles of land in the town of Ramciel, which he says lies along the Nile River in Lakes State. The current capital of Juba, in the south, only allocated less than 2 square miles. Benjamin says the plan's implementation will take several years.

Deputy speaker Daniel Awet Akot added the new capital city is located some 150 miles north of Juba. The South Sudan became independent in July after a January referendum. It came to the ham bands with the ST0R DXpedition which racked up over 121,000 QS0's in its time on the air this past July 22nd through August 10th. The ARRL approved the ST0R operation for DXCC credit on August 5th. (Southgate)

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The long awaited 4W6A Timor - Leste DXpedition should be fully operational by the morning of September 17th, UTC time. The team will be active as 4W6A from Atauro Island 160 through 10 meters, using CW, SSB and RTTY with up to four stations simultaneously. MM0NDX is their pilot station for the operation and may be contacted at dxer59 (at) gmail (dot) com. QSL as directed on the DXpedition website at www.4w6a.com.

WB6OJB and K5LBU will once again be active from Lesotho as 7P8JK and 7P8CF, respectively. This, through September 22nd. In their last operation WB6OJB was on the 40 through 10 meters using mostly SSB with some CW. K5LBU will probably be mainly on PSK31 and RTTY. QSL via their home callsigns.

IN3VZE will once again be active from Malawi as 7Q7CE from the shack of his friend 7Q7HB through and October 3rd. His operation will be holiday style on 80 through 10 meters using SSB and RTTY. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct.

JK1KSB, will once again be operational as 8Q7SO from Mirihi Island in the Maldives between October 28th and November 4th. His activity will also be holiday style on 80 through 10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via his home callsign.

N1SNB will be active as 6V7V from La Somone, Senegal during the CQ World Wide DX CW Contest on November 26th and 27th. Outside the contest he plans to be on 160 and 80 meter CW and SSB from November 23rd to the 29th. QSL via N1SNB.

Lastly, Members of the "Holyland DX Group" will be active as 4X5A from Akhziv Island between 0700 UTC on Friday, October 21st through 1200 UTC on Saturday, October 22nd. Operation will be on 40 through 10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via 4Z5LA.

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THAT FINAL ITEM: HERE COMES THE BRIDE - ON ATV

And finally this week the story of a couple that will soon be getting married with a world wide audience. This thanks to fast scan amateur television. Robert Broomhead, VK3DN, of the W-I-A News spent some time with the happy couple and learned a lot more:

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Audio report only. To hear it please download the MP3 version of this newscast at www.arnewsline.org

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Our congratulations to Emily and Matthew and thank you for sharing the wonderful day iin your lives with all of us.

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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872. Re: my beshert is having an ethics conomdrum.....when is it ok to have sex with a corpse ??

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Date: 2011-09-16 13:16:06 UTC
From: kd8ctl <kd8ctl@email.com>
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Source record: 4112
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My morkins says if it's a really hot young dude with the ass juice
still warm than all is OK.

873. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 18th September 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-16 15:00:35 UTC
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Message-ID: <20110916150005.271E533C78@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4113
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GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 18th September 2011

The news headlines:

* National Hamfest coming soon

* New CASHOTA award scheme

* RSGB Convention programme updated

The National Hamfest takes place on Friday 30 September and Saturday 1 October at the Newark and Notts Showground. It is organised by the RSGB in conjunction with the Lincoln Short Wave Club. Headphone and microphone specialist Bob Heil will be visiting the National Hamfest with Waters and Stanton and will also be running a workshop each day. He's been talking to Chris Jones, G0PIO from the Lincoln Short Wave Club, about his life and times. The interview can be heard on the National Hamfest website, www.nationalhamfest.org.uk. There will be a wide selection of other lectures over the two days. These include Klaus Lohmann from FlexRadio, the Group of Earth Observation and Essex CW ARC. All the details about the event, including discount tickets, can be found on the website www.nationalhamfest.org.uk.

A new amateur radio award scheme is being launched by Castles and Stately Homes on the Air. The new award covers Royal Observation Corp Bunkers and facilities and is open to any interested persons. All details of UK Bunkers, as well as details of the award and how to complete it, can be found at www.rocbunkers.co.uk. The first event ROC Bunkers will be holding will be ROC Month in October 2011, so why not visit the website and become part of this secret heritage?

The latest programme and lecture information on the RSGB Convention is available on the website www.rsgb.org/rsgbconvention. Single day or weekend tickets are selling fast, as are the overnight accommodation packages, because this year's programme is proving popular. There's a wide variety of talks for all interests, whether you are new to amateur radio or more experienced. The Contest University stream has been expanded over two days, with an opportunity for budding contesters to get together with the owners of some of the best contest stations who are willing to open their contest station to newcomers. There's also plenty to interest the VHF visitors too with talks on EME, microwave and satellite communications. For all the latest information, visit the Convention website at www.rsgb.org/rsgbconvention.

The IARU Region 1 HF Committee meeting minutes caused some alarm and confusion over the future of 7030kHz as the QRP centre of activity. This relates to the discussion about moving the frequency, and possible further discussion at the Region 1 Interim Meeting in 2013. It is important to note that these discussion points did not feature in the minutes of the final General Conference Plenary. The question as to whether 7030 kHz is the best frequency for the QRP CoA was raised in the context of discussing the DARC proposal to change the 40m Contest Preferred Segment. The HF Committee decided that this change couldn't be done without first seeking the views of the Region 1 QRP community. Whilst there is no formal Recommendation to discuss this matter at the 2013 meeting, the RSGB considers it sensible to be prepared, should this issue be raised, by seeking views from its members, as well as working closely with the G-QRP Club. As announced in last week's GB2RS, this discussion will be coordinated within the Spectrum Forum, which next meets on Saturday 5 November. The RSGB will always consult with its members and the G-QRP club before proposing or implementing QRP-related plans. The latest edition of the Six and Ten report is now available at http://g7kse.co.uk/6and10. The Six and Ten Reporting Club is an informal group of radio amateurs, mostly from the UK, who are interested in propagation studies at frequencies around the HF to VHF boundary, mainly the 6 and 10 metre amateur bands. The club produces a monthly newsletter that includes analysis of 28MHz propagation based on beacon monitoring, analysis of 50MHz activity reports broken down by propagation mode, reports and discussions on unusual propagation events, compilations of solar and geomagnetic data, lists of activity world-wide, beacon news, and results of ongoing experiments.

In under a year, the AMSAT-UK FUNcube Yahoo Group has achieved over 2000 members. The group was created by Rob, M0TFO to provide support for the AMSAT-UK FUNcube satellite and the FUNcube Dongle software defined radio. The FUNcube satellite project is an educational CubeSat project with the goal of enthusing and educating young people about radio, space, physics and electronics. It will support the educational Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths initiatives and provide an additional resource for the RSGB GB4FUN Radio Communications Demonstration Module. The target audience are school pupils in the 8 to 18 age range. As well as providing a strong 145MHz telemetry beacon for the pupils to receive FUNcube will also have a 435/145MHz linear transponder for amateur radio SSB/CW use. Graham Shirville, G3VZV and Howard Long, G6LVB will be at the RSGB Convention in October talking about the FUNcube project and FUNcube Dongle.

The 18th Region 1 ARDF Championships was held in the Romanian resort of Baile Felix in early September. It was the RSGB M40 team who were the stars this time as they obtained 4th place in the 80m team event. This followed on from a 5th place in the 2m event two days earlier. The team comprised Andrew Soltysik, G4KWQ, David Williams, M3WDD and SWL Steve Chalk.

Do you fancy being on TV? The ITV1 dating show Take Me Out is looking for an amateur radio enthusiast to appear on the show. For further

information contact Lewis Evans on 02076 916 239, or e-mail lewis.evans@talkbackthames.tv.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

The 21st Great Northern Hamfest takes place in the Metrodome Leisure Complex, Barnsley S71 1AN today, 18 September. Doors open at 11am and there will be trade stands and special interest groups. More information from Ernie, G4LUE on 01226 716 339.

Today, 18 September, the Belgium Amateur Radio & Computer Rally takes place at Hall Lotto Mons Expo, Mons, which is 50km south of Brussels. Doors open at 9am and talk in is available via repeaters on 145.600MHz & 430.325MHz. Plenty of international traders will be present. Details at www.on6ll.be.

The Midland Amateur Radio Society will be holding an open day, at the club QTH, from 10am to 4pm on 24 September. Plans are under way for refreshments, opportunities to meet the training staff and there will be displays of photographs, QSL cards. A prize exhibit is the original 1931 minute books and their cups and awards. They will also be on the air using GB8OTH. More information is on the club website, www.midamradio.net.

Now for the news of special events Throughout September, special event station GB2JB will be on the air. It commemorate the life and birth place of Jack Binns, radio operator of the Passenger Ship Republic in 1909. Operation will be from Coney Court, Brigg, and is run by Brigg & District Amateur Radio Club.

Northumbria Amateur Radio Club and the Border Amateur Radio Society will be at Barmoor Castle near Lowick in Northumberland on Sunday 18 September. They will be operating GB2BCL to commemorate the battle of Flodden Hill. GB2BCL will be operational on most HF frequencies. The event manger Roy, G0AXJ welcomes visitors to the station that will be active from 10am through to 7pm. GB2BCL will be situated at Barmoor Castle West entrance gate. Talk-in will be available on 145.500MHz. For more information please visit www.g4aax.org.uk or telephone Roy on 07421 659 150.

Crewe Heritage Centre ARC will be taking part in the Railways on the Air weekend on 24 and 25 September. They will be operating two stations using SSB and Digimodes from the First Class carriage of the Advanced Passenger Train prototype that is on permanent display at the centre. Using GB4CHC, the club hopes to work as many stations as possible during the two days on all HF bands.

And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

4W6A will be on the air from Timor-Leste until 26 September. Operation is on all bands from 160 to 10m, using CW, SSB and RTTY, with up to four stations active simultaneously. The QSL manager is M0URX, either direct with an SAE plus 1 IRC or $2, via the bureau, or LoTW.

Arnold, WB6OJB and Frosty, K5LBU will be active as 7P8JK and 7P8CF from Lesotho until 22 September. QSL via their home callsigns.

A Belgian team attempt at landing on Rockall in May 2009 was unsuccessful due to the weather conditions at the time. They are now planning to try again, with the projected date being around 27 and 28 September. Rockall is the rarest of the European IOTA islands. It has only been activated once, a few years ago, when just over 200 QSOs were made. The IOTA reference is EU-189. The website to check is www.rockall.be.

A group of operators from the Czech Republic will be in Greenland from until 26 September. They will sign OX4OK and also OX/homecalls. Look for them on 80 to 10m and also on 2m EME.

Ely, IN3VZE will be active as 7Q7CE from Malawi until 3 October. He will operate holiday style on 10 to 80 metres SSB and RTTY. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

Guenter, DL3NBI will be active as IA5/DL3NBI from Isola del Giglio, which is EU-028, until 22 September. He plans to operate PSK, RTTY and SSB, mainly on 20 metres. QSL via home callsign either direct or via the bureau.

Now the contest news

The Worked All Britain 144MHz Low Power Phone Contest takes place today, 18 September, from 1000 to 1400UTC. Low power means a maximum power of 10 watts. The exchange is signal report, serial number and WAB square. Full details of the rules and logsheets may be obtained from the WAB website www.worked-all-britain.co.uk or from the Contest Manager, G3XKT, by e-mail to aebbooks@ntlworld.com. Also today, 18 September, the BARTG Sprint 75 takes place from 1700 to 2100UTC. All activity is on 75 bauds. Exchange a serial number only. Entries are single-op only and all-bands only, with sections for experts, defined as anyone who has had a top 10 placing in any BARTG contest from 2008 onwards.

Tuesday 20 September sees the 1.3GHz UK Activity Contest taking place from 1900 to 2130UTC using all modes. The exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The CQWW RTTY DX Contest lasts for the full 48 hours next weekend, 24 and 25 September. Starting at 0000 and finishing at 2359UTC, exchange a signal report and CQ Zone Britain is 14. Some rare countries ought to be active in this one. There are too many entry categories to list here though.

The Practical Wireless 70MHz Contest takes place for four hours on Sunday 25 September from 1200 to 1600UTC. It has sections for Low Power, meaning 10W or less, and Full Legal. The exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

And now the solar factual data for the period from the 5th to the 11th of September, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS, on the 12th of September.

This week solar activity was high on the 6th, 7th and 8th. The largest solar flare of the period was on the 6th and was rated as an X2/2B. Activity was moderate on the other days except for the 11th, which was low. The largest solar flares took place during the hours of darkness and Europe missed the strongest of the sudden ionospheric disturbances, but was affected by some weaker ones on some days. A number of coronal mass ejections took place that headed our way and there were even more that did not. Solar flux levels declined slightly from 119 units on the 5th to 110 by the 8th but then recovered back to 121 by the 11th. The average was 115 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 11th was 100 units, that's two units up on last week. X- ray flux levels declined from a high of C1.6 units on the 5th to B4.2 units on the 9th. The average was B5.4. Geomagnetic activity started at quiet levels with the Ap index in single figures but around midday on the 9th the first of the coronal mass ejections arrived and activity increased briefly to major storm levels. The Ap index on the 9th was 36 and 33 units on the 10th as the storm rumbled on. The average was Ap 14 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds increase from 330 kilometres per second on the 5th to around 600 kilometres per second from the 9th through to the 11th. Particle densities were low but increased to 33 particles per cubic centimetre on the 9th and 16 on the 10th. Bz on the quiet days varied between minus and plus 3 nanoTeslas and between minus 23 and plus 16 nanoTeslas at the height of the storm on the 9th. Anybody who wants to keep up to date on a daily basis or in near real time can do so easily by typing spotsandflares as one word into their favourite search engine. A radio aurora at 50 and 144MHz started on the 9th and lasted until early on the 10th. High-latitude stations, as usual, had the best of the event, although some contacts were reported as far south as 52 degrees north.

And now the solar forecast. This week solar activity is expected to vary between low and moderate levels. In general, over recent weeks, solar activity as increased with solar flare-producing sunspot groups appearing regularly. This pattern looks set to continue. Solar flux levels should around 100 units or maybe slightly higher than that. Geomagnetic activity should be at quiet levels every day, with no coronal hole disturbances expected. However, activity could increase if a large flare and a subsequent coronal mass ejection heads our way. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 24MHz for the south and 21MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows are expected to be about 10MHz. Paths this week to the east coast of North America should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 22MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate of about 18MHz. the best time to try this path will be between 1500 and 200 hours UTC.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your

transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS A new volunteer GB2RS news reader is required to join the current team of two reading the news at 10.30am on 145.525MHz in the Lincoln and Skegness area. The volunteer must be a member of the RSGB and willing to read the news on Sundays, taking it in turn with the existing two readers, G0EJQ and M0WDE, on a rota basis. If you would like to consider volunteering, then please contact the GB2RS News Manager Gordon Adams, G3LEQ, on 01 565 652 652 for further information.

On Monday 19 September Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is having a workshop and VHF operating evening. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Monday 19 September Lincoln Short-Wave Club is holding a committee meeting. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Monday 19 September South Birmingham Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Monday 19 September Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society is having an operating night on the HF bands. For more information contact Peter D Rivers, G4XEX, on 01858 432 105.

On Tuesday 20 September Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is having a video show. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 20 September Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a back to the 40's night. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Wednesday 21 September Lincoln Short-Wave Club is having a planning meeting for National Hamfest. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Wednesday 21 September Midland Amateur Radio Society is making final arrangements for the society's 80th birthday celebrations. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 01214 229 787.

On Wednesday 21 September South Kesteven Amateur Radio Society is planning its trip to the National Hamfest. Contact Nigel, M0CVO, on 01476 402 550.

On Wednesday 21 September Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a treasure hunt with 2E0TRO. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299

677.

On Thursday 22 September South Birmingham Radio Society is having training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603. On Friday 23 September Coventry Amateur Radio Society is having a video night. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

On Friday 23 September Hucknall Rolls Royce Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by RSGB region 13 representative Steve Boden. More information from Dave Wilde, G1YAI, on 08444 355 593.

On Friday 23 September South Birmingham Radio Society is having a construction evening. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Saturday 24 September Cheltenham Amateur Radio Association commences its weekend event operating GB0GWR at Cheltenham Racecourse Station. Contact Derek Thom, G3NKS, on 01242 241 099.

On Saturday 24 September Lincoln Short-Wave Club is preparing for National Hamfest. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Saturday 24 September Midland Amateur Radio Society opens its 80th birthday exhibition at the church hall from 10am to 4pm. Details online at www.radioclubs.net/mars.

On Saturday 24 September South Birmingham Radio Society is visiting the MARS 80th birthday exhibition. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Sunday 25 September Hinckley Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on Railways on the Air by John, M0JAV. Details from John, M0JAV, on 07836 731 544.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND We start with advance notice of a Train the Trainers day at Preston Amateur Radio Society on Sunday 30 October from 9am. The venue is the Main Hall, Lonsdale Club, Fulwood Hall Lane, Preston. The cost is £5, including lunch. Details are on the web at tinyurl.com/preston-ttt. Please book in advance.

On Sunday 18 September Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is at the Great Northern Hamfest. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Monday 19 September Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is having a report on the rally and discussing future projects. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Monday 19 September Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by Nick, G4FAL on the DXpedition to Christmas Island, T32C. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 19 September Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by Ted, G3WBB, on the mint with a hole. Details on the web at www.tcars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 20 September Chester & District Amateur Radio Society is discussing the other man's shack. Details from Barbara Green on 07957 870 770.

On Tuesday 20 September Stockport Radio Society is having a presentation on old car radios by John Shufflebotham. More information from Nigel Roscoe, on 07973 312 699.

On Wednesday 21 September Denby Dale Radio Club is having a talk on the G8PUT logbook project. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220 126. On Wednesday 21 September Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is having a visit by the RSGB President to help celebrate the 40th anniversary of HARC. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Thursday 22 September Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air and having a club night. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 07876 085 631.

On Thursday 22 September South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having a surplus equipment sale. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Thursday 22 September Wakefield & District Radio Society is having a talk on Holy Island Talk with Ken 2E0SSQ. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563 117.

On Friday 23 September East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is on the air. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Friday 23 September Tynemouth Amateur Radio Club is having a discussion, operating and Morse training evening. Contact Bob, M6KLO, by email to mail@g0nwm.com.

On Saturday 24 September Wakefield & District Radio Society Intermediate and Advanced Licence Courses continues from 13:30. Details from David, G4CLI, on 07748 221 855.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND The Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club will be holding a Foundation course and exam over the weekend of Friday 28 and Saturday 29 October. Any individuals wishing to get on the first step of amateur radio should register for the course by Monday 10 October. To register go to www.muarc.com/courseapplicationform.htm and complete the form. More information can be gained by contacting the exam secretary Martin, MI0YMF on 02838 852 712.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND A new Castles and Stately Homes on the Air representative has been appointed for Scotland. Paul, GM0BKC will be dealing with any activations within the region. He should be the first port of call for information. His contact details are on the CASHOTA website at www.cashota.co.uk/contacts.htm or you can ring him on 07846 412 862.

On Tuesday 20 September Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club evening. Details from Norman, on 07740 946 192.

On Thursday 22 September Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is having a work night. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663.

On Friday 23 September Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club is having a 2m DF hunt, meeting at the Old Ship Inn car park, 18:30 for 19:00. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA On Monday 19 September Braintree & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on astronomy by Mike Adcock, G8DJO. For more information contact John, M5AJB, on 01787 460 947.

On Monday 19 September Felixstowe & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a post mortem on ESWR. More information from Paul, G4YQC, by email to pjw@btinternet.com.

On Monday 19 September Surrey Radio Contact Club is having a fix it, advice, chin wag and move it on evening. Contact John, G3MCX, on 02086 883 322.

On Tuesday 20 September Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Tuesday 20 September Bromley & District Amateur Radio Society is looking at data analysis on the 5MHz Experiment. Details from Andy, G4WGZ, on 01689 878 089.

On Tuesday 20 September Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is having a club net night. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Tuesday 20 September Verulam Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by Steve, G6ALU on the MKARS80 80m transceiver and other projects. Details from Tony, 2EOWAP, on 01727 853 087.

On Wednesday 21 September Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is looking at aerial design principles with Roger, G3MEH. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday 21 September Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is having a surplus equipment sale. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816 684.

On Thursday 22 September Colchester Radio Amateurs are staging a Scrapheap Challenge with Matt, 2E0XIS. More information from Kevan, 2E0WMG, on 07766 543 784.

On Thursday 22 September Edgware & District Radio Society is having a scientific instruments evening. More information from Mike, G4RNW, on 02089 500 658.

On Thursday 22 September Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a club night at the shack. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564 242.

On Thursday 22 September Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a presentation on radio control by Tony Dalton. Details from David, G8UOD, on 01234 742 757.

On Friday 23 September Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club is looking at making traps for multi band aerials with Ron, G3KBR. Contact Ron, G3KBR, on 01223 501 712.

On Friday 23 September Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is holding a radio night. Contact Peter, G4AKG, on 01444 239 371.

On Friday 23 September Norfolk Amateur Radio Club commences its weekend event for Railways on the Air. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Friday 23 September Radio Society of Harrow is having a demo of the Rig Blaster Pro interface. More information from Linda, G7RJL, on 02083 868 586.

On Saturday 24 September Bittern DX Group starts its weekend event operating GB2NNR for Railways on the Air from Holt, Norfolk. Details from Linda, G0AJJ, on 01692 404 154. On Saturday 24 September Crystal Palace Radio and Electronics Club commences its Foundation training course. Contact Bob, G3OOU, on 01737 552 170.

On Saturday 24 September Harwell Amateur Radio Society is holding an open day. Contact Malcolm, G8NRP, on 01235 524 844.

On Sunday 25 September Coalhouse Fort Amateur Radio Society is having an open day. Contact John Parker, M1DUC, by email to coalhouserad1o@yahoo.com.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST On Monday 19 September Appledore & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on antennas by Terry, G4CHD. Contact Brian Jewell, M0BRB, on 01237 473 251 for more information.

On Tuesday 20 September West Devon Radio Club is having a VMARS evening with Tony Helm, G4BCX. Further information from Jules Cuddy, M1AGY, on 01752 291 588.

On Wednesday 21 September Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is having a video night. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Wednesday 21 September Trowbridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night. Details from Ian, G0GRI, on 01225 864 698, evenings and weekends.

On Thursday 22 September South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is having a briefing for ROTA. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

On Thursday 22 September Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Thursday 22 September Yeovil Amateur Radio Club is having members' mini talks. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk.

On Friday 23 September North Bristol Amateur Radio Club is having a relax and chat evening. More information from Dick on 01454 218 362.

On Saturday 24 September Appledore & District Amateur Radio Club is running a special event station at Appledore Book Festival. Contact Brian Jewell, M0BRB, on 01237 473 251 for more information.

On Saturday 24 September South Bristol Amateur Radio Club commences its weekend event for Railways on the Air. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

NEWS FOR WALES A new Castles and Stately Homes on the Air representative has been appointed for Wales. Andrew, M6ADB will now process and issue activation numbers for any Welsh historical or heritage sites. Anyone wishing to activate a site should go to www.cashota.co.uk and complete an activation form. You can find Andrew's contact details at www.cashota.co.uk/contacts.htm.

On Monday 19 September Dragon Amateur Radio Club is on the air. More information from Stewart Rolfe, GW0ETF, on 07833 620 733.

On Tuesday 20 September Wrexham Amateur Radio Society is having a demo of PSK31 by Bob, G6CVX. More information from Patrick, 2W0HUU, on 07947 701 927.

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On Sep 16, 9:16 am, kd8ctl <kd8...@email.com> wrote:
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875. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2011-029E - Nominations for Canadian Amateur Radio Hall of Fame are due by Sept. 30.

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RAC Bulletin 2011-029E - Nominations for Canadian Amateur Radio Hall of Fame are due by Sept. 30.
2011-09-16

This award recognizes deserving Canadian amateur radio operators for outstanding achievement and sustained service to Amateur Radio in Canada or to Amateur Radio at large. Nomination forms and details of the procedure are available from the RAC website, or http://www.rac.ca/en/rac/programmes/hall-of-fame/

For consideration in 2011, nominations and supporting documents must be submitted to RAC headquarters by the close of business on Friday, Sept. 30, 2011.

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SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 18 SEPTEMBER 2011

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You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 and 3,695 MHz SSB.

SILENT KEY

It is with deep regret that it must be reported that the key of Theo Mcdulling, ZS1JM, went silent on the 2nd September 2011 at the age of 77 years.

Our sincere condolences to the relatives and friends of Theo.

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In the news today:

SARL RADIO TECHNOLOGY IN ACTION HEADS FOR GAUTENG SATURDAY THIS WEEK

SARL GIVES FEEDBACK TO ICASA

INTERESTING BOOK FOR AMATEURS IN FLATS AND GATED COMMUNITIES

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting news items.

SARL RADIO TECHNOLOGY IN ACTION HEADS FOR GAUTENG SATURDAY THIS WEEK

The 2011 SARL Radio Technology in Action Symposium will be held in Gauteng on Saturday 24 September at the National Amateur Radio Centre and the Sentech auditorium. The programme features some interesting discussions and presentations. There are also some great prizes to be won by simply attending. Entrance cost is R60 which includes refreshment an a finger lunch. Students and scholars who pre-book enter fee of charge.

SARL Vice President, Mark Zank, ZS6YES, will talk, in line with national heritage day, about the Heritage of Amateur Radio and where to

next. In the panel discussion the debate will be about "what if we could have an advanced Amateur Radio license in South Africa, what should it look like"? Chairmen of the Gauteng Club have been invited to participate in the debate.

John Willescroft will be taking about FPGA's and Hannes Coetzee about application of Software Defined Radio in Amateur Radio. He will take a practical approach and demonstrate his design that won the innovation competition.

Full details will be on the web this weekend at www.sarl.org.za.

SECOND LEG OF THE SARL VHF/UHF CONTEST THIS WEEKEND

The second leg of the SARL VHF/UHF contest is in full swing this weekend. There are still a few hours left to make contact with stations in rare grid squares.

VHF/UHF contests should be the test of operator ability and station design but the overriding aim is to get away for the weekend and have fun. But next after that, the aims are: To promote activity on the VHF/UHF and microwave bands, to encourage amateurs to work greater distances than usual by operating portable and/or improve antenna systems, to provide opportunities for people to activate or work new grid squares. Look about for 7P8EME they are on the air from Lesotho.

SARL GIVES FEEDBACK TO ICASA

This past week the SARL has given feedback to ICASA on a number of issues around regulations including minimum age for a class B licenses and receivers with continuous tuning. The SARL is of the opinion that there should be no minimum age for persons wishing to become a radio amateur provided they pass the relevant examination and practical test. The SARL made suggestions to ICASA how the regulation dealing with receivers with continuous tuning can be changed to accommodate the requirements of radio amateurs. The SARL also had the opportunity to check the table of Amateur frequency spectrum allocations which are now correct and ready for publication in the Government Gazette.

INTERESTING BOOK FOR AMATEURS IN FLATS AND GATED COMMUNITIES

The ARRL has published an interesting new book entitled "Small antennas for small spaces". It is a valuable resource for amateurs who live in apartments, condominiums, or houses on small lots. Filled with practical advice, this book guides you to finding the right antenna design to fit whatever space you have available. In the book you'll find ideas and projects that will get you on the air regardless of where you live! The book includes a collection of limited-space antenna ideas from well-known amateurs, including the innovative Folded Skeleton Sleeve 40 and 20 Metre Dipole Antenna by QST Technical Editor Joel Hallas, W1ZR.

The book is available in South Africa from the SA Amateur Radio Development Trust at R300 plus R30 packaging and posting. For more details about this and other books visit www.amateurradio.org.za/books.htm.

SARL MEMBERSHIP CLOSE TO THE 1 300 MARK

The membership of the SARL stood at 1 272 this Friday and we hope to break the 1 300 mark during the coming week.

If you have not yet renewed you will still have a few more days before your membership benefits will end. Pay by cheque, by bank deposit or electronics transfer. Details are on the invoice you received or call Mariska on 011 675 2393.

7P8EME DXPEDITION FUNDING

The SARL 7P8EME DXpedition appeal campaign is still in full swing. The target is R10 000. As of today the fund stands at R5 200. Go to www.amateurradio.org.za/7P8.htm for details. Please remember to send an email to artoday@sarl.org.za so that your contribution is recognised.

PLANNING TO WRITE THE RAE ON 20 OCTOBER?

RAE students are reminded that the closing date for registration for the 20 October Radio Amateur Examination is on 25 September. No late entries can be accepted. The various forms to be completed can be found on www.sarl.org.za or follow the link on the SARL Today news item on the home page.

NEED A QSL ROUTE?

Here are some great free sites for you and your friends - http://www.dailydx.com/routes.html.

K2TQC, Bill Gibbons, reports tracking down a QSO, and eventually QSL, for JZ0PH from an August 1961 QSO with Netherlands New Guinea, which was deleted from the DXCC list April 30, 1963. The operator Joop Hesp is now ZS6C. This was country No. 383 for K2TQC.

YL'S AND XYL'S ON THE GO

Heather, ZS6YE, started a YL Group. She is sends a monthly mail with interesting news to YL'S. A new Ham YL's Facebook profile has also been created. All YL's are invited to join the group; there are already several international YL's who are also friends of the group. Please contact Heather at ylgroupsa@yahoo.com or Anette zr6delta@gmail.com if you want your name also on the mailing list. Any YL and XYL is welcome to forward any interesting news to be included in the newsletter. The group is looking forward hearing from you girls.

FOLLOW A HIKING GROUP

On the 26th of Sept a group of hikers will start a 12 day hike in the Drakensberge range. It will start at Mount Aux Sauces and end at Boesmansnek.

Amateur radio will be used for communication, and to this end Johan Leslie, ZR4CAA, is a member of the group.

Base camp will also be run by a radio amateur, John Longland, ZS6AA. Use will be made of the 40 m, 80 m and the 2 m bands. For quite some time now, tests have been ongoing around the communication procedures and these procedures will be on the website www.crossroadsadventure.co.za by Monday. The procedures are aimed at making compact communications possible between the group and base camp, at certain scheduled times.

Radio amateurs are requested to listen out for these call signs and assist when an emergency situation seems to be arise by following the procedures on the website. Ragchews with the group will not be possible as they have limited battery power, but they aim to have a session at the half way mark.

CLUB NEWS

The Centurion Radio Amateur Club will again commence with technical discussions on the club's two meter repeater on 145,775 MHz. on Sunday evenings, commencing at 19:30.

For this coming Sunday Pine, ZS6GS,T plans to discuss a little known aspect of HF propagation, namely - "Magneto-ionic holes", and also tell a tongue in cheek short story.

If you are in range of the repeater, do come along and listen to these very interesting discussions. Please report in if possible.

The discussion will not take place when there is an Intecnet broadcast that evening.

MAGALIES CLUB COMMITTEE

At the club's AGM held on 10 September, committee members for the 2011 - 2012 period were elected as follows:

Chairman Thys Mar&#65533;, ZS6MJM Vice chairman Johann du Plessis, ZSZ6PSS Secretary Anette Jacobs, ZS6D Treasurer Louis Mitchell, ZS6LWM Technical adviser Sam van Zyl, ZS6JZ Digital Hannes Enslin, ZS6JDE Teenspanning: Marco Nel, ZS6MJ Social Gordon Forbes, ZS6FI Public relations Chris Smit, ZS6FCS Youth co-ordinator Johann du Plessis, ZS6PSS Competition manager Quartus de Witt, ZS6EE.

The retiring committee thanks all the MRK members for their support during the past year and wish strength to the new committee for the activities for the coming year.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that sunspot complex 1 295-1 296 has more than doubled in area and quadrupled in spot count since September 14th and is crackling with C-class flares. Another sunspot appears to be forming on the southeast portion of the sun. An increase in solar

activity is further possible during the week.

For the people doing their own frequency predictions the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 92, a new high for this cycle.

20 to 15 m will provide the best DX opportunities with some exciting 10 m openings also possible due to the higher solar activity.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS Still make a financial contribution towards the 7P8EME DXpedition which ends on 26 September. 18 September - Last day to submit logs for the ZS6JVT Youth Spring Sprint Competition. 18 September - Tonight, at 19:30 Centurion Club's technical discussion on 145,775 MHz. in Pretoria. 23 September - Take your hand-held to work today. 24 September - RTA in Gauteng. 25 September - Last day to enrol for the October RAE. 25 September - Intecnet at 19:30. 26 Sept/7 Oct - ZR4CAA and ZS6AA active with Drakensberge hiking group. 15/16 October - Jamboree on the air. Till 31 October - ZL-stations with ZM prefixes and ZL4RUGBY and ZL6RWC on the air.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 750 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 18:30 CAT on 3 230 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by George, Z6SNE.

Thank you for listening, 73.
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========== Message Ends ========== To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp.

877. Re: They are laughing and I mean LAUGHING at you in ScrubGenius

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-17 22:34:01 UTC
From: dizzy <dizzy@nospam.invalid>
Message-ID: <l08a77luorge1q0k34o70md6ev2bbomap1@4ax.com>
Source record: 4117
Cross-posted to: alt.slack,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy

tholen tholed:

> kd8ctl writes:
>
>18> while my morkins will be enjoying my excrement stew.
>
>18> morkins loves the taste AND the smell!
>
>What does that have to do with alt.slack,rec.radio.amateur.misc,
>rec.radio.cb,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy, kd8ctl?

Don't you have something better to be doing, tholen?

878. NZART Headquarters Infoline issue 238

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-18 09:40:49 UTC
From: ZL1AMW <infoline@nzart.org.nz>
Message-ID: <DA66C4DF47454658A731D9F184A1BDA7@AlanLaptop>
Source record: 4118
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

NZART Headquarters Info-line Issue 238

18 September 2011

NZART Website: www.nzart.org.nz

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· NZ Amateur Radio Day promotion

· KORDIA National System Award

· Call Book branch listings

· Details of the Jack Files Memorial Contest

· Housekeeping

· Conference 2012 – Nelson. Attachment.

Debby Says…I had a call from a gentleman who had some books to give away. Never one to say no to a freebee, I thought that someone out there may be interested in what he has to offer, so I asked him to send me an e-mail so that I could include all the details in this issue of HQ Info-line.

Radio and electronics magazines – from 1961 to 1982. All in fair to good order. Free to a good home (though there would be a transport cost outside Wellington)

“Radio, Television and Hobbies” (Australian) – all from Dec 61 to Dec 64 except Nov & Dec 63.

“Electronics Australia” – All from Oct 67 to May 83 (with a few before and after those) except Nov 77, Sep 80, Apr 81, May & Sep 82.

“Wireless World” (UK) – most from Aug 75 to Jan 80 (missing are Dec 75, Jun & Nov 76, Feb, Nov & Dec 77, and Oct 79)

If you are interested in these, please email djmiller@clear.net.nz

Call Book updates…later in this issue of HQ Info-Line the Call Book compiler has asked that those branches who have yet to advise their details, to forward them to him as soon as possible. I would also like to suggest you all take a look at SMART to ensure your records are accurate. The information produced in call book comes from the RSM

database, so if there are errors then you need to advise them ASAP.

Talk soon…Debby ZL2DL

NZ Amateur Radio Day Promotion
A couple of months after the 2011 NZARD, Topsy Scott ZL2LS and I discussed
an idea that is worth looking at now.

Many branches of NZART played a part in NZARD 2011 and there were many different presentations that I'm sure were excellent.

How about we send to this reflector, (arpromo@nzart.org.nz) suggestions and details of presentations that we made in 2011 so others can use suitable bits that would fit into their plans for the day in 2012.

Topsy also suggested that we should try and collect any brochures, pamphlets or handouts that clubs have and that we store them at an NZART site for others to amend and use for their own future presentations and field days etc.

So… if you have plans for NZARD, send them to this reflector and
if you have earlier brochures etc please send them as an attachment to arpromo@nzart.org.nz

Thanks and 73,
David ZL1DK

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Kordia National System Award - 2012
The Kordia National System Award 2012 - Historic Places, is being run again by The Hamilton Amateur Radio Club, Branch 12, NZART, in association with the New Zealand Historic Places Trust. This is a FUN award, available to all amateurs to demonstrate the coverage and use of the National System, to promote our history and Category 2 Historic places.

All details for this award, are available at:-
http://zl1ux.tripod.com/nsaward.html

The award will run from 1 January 2012 to 6 February 2012

Applications close: 6 March 2012 with -

The Award Custodian
Hamilton Amateur Radio Club
PO Box 606
HAMILTON 3240
or
Email to: branch.12@nzart.org.nz with KNS2012 in the subject line

Gavin Petrie (ZL1GWP)
Award Custodian

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CALL BOOK & Branch listings

The Callbook Editor would like to update Branch details online and use this information for Callbook. Can the following branches check their details at http://www.nzart.org.nz/branches/branch-data/ and advise any changes required. Otherwise it will be published as is.

It would be appreciated if those Branches who have replied to the

Business Manager's request check their details online. 2000 proof-readers are better than 1 and advise callbook@nzart.org.nz if any errors found.

The missing Branches are: 04, 10, 16, 17, 23, 24, 25, 27, 35, 40, 41, 42, 44, 46, 47, 49, 50, 51, 56, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 69, 70, 72, 74, 80, 81, 82, 88, CARDS

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Jack Files Memorial Contest

Greetings to our neighbours in ZL!

This is a quick email to inform NZART and Papakura directly of the upcoming Jack Files Memorial Contest.

It is due to take place on October 22nd this year (1 week prior to the CQWW).

All the relevant information can be found on the website at www.jackfilesvk.blogspot.com

We have revised the rules and added extra incentives to get more ops in ZL and VK on the air. If you require any further info don't hesitate to contact me.
Derek VK4MIA

President & Contest Manager
Ipswich & Districts Radio Club

www.qrz.com/db/vk4mia
www.facebook.com/vkdxer

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Happy Feet and Don Wilson

For those of you who attended conference here in Upper Hutt this year, you will be familiar with the following guy ‘Don Wilson’ who entertained us on the Sunday evening. If you follow the links below, he has written, sung and starred in a youtube clip about Happy Feet, the penguin found on the Kapiti Coast.

‘The ballad of Happy Feet’, the adventurous Emperor penguin.

Here are direct links to the video :

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v57ySL07_M

http://www.youtube.com/user/Donwilsonmusic

The audio download for The ballad of Happy Feet is available from iTunes :

http://itunes.apple.com/nz/album/the-ballad-happy-feet-single/id454745906

for less than $2.00, half the proceeds of which will go to the Happy Feet Appeal supporting the work Wellington Zoo does with penguins, and other animals.

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Housekeeping

1.. Break-In-Closing Date Reminder: Copy for the Nov/December issue of Break-In-closes on 10 November 2011.
2.. Copy for Break-In: Copy is welcome in most electronic formats but word.doc files are preferred. Photos and other graphics should be send as separate discrete files (*.jpg preferred); not as embedded pix in the body of the text. Please ensure that suitable descriptive captions/legends are included with your copy.
All received copy will be acknowledged to confirm receipt.
Thank you for your cooperation.
John Walker ZL3IB Editor.
3.. Break-In: Early receipt of copy is much appreciated
4.. Break-In-AREC Column: The close-of-copy date is the 03 November 2011 for articles for publication in the AREC COLUMN OF BREAK-IN. Photos, if available, to be on a separate floppy or CD (with captions), posted DIRECTLY TO US. Use the Call Book address. All other material can go to e-mail:
zl3qr@nzart.org.nz or zl3ov@nzart.org.nz
5.. The ARRL and WIA Weekly News
6.. Subscribe TO/FROM Infoline
Next NZART Official Broadcast is on SUNDAY 25 September 2011 and Next HQ-Infoline e-mailed on SUNDAY 9th October 2011.

879. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 18th September 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-18 20:00:09 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20110918200003.5044F33C51@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4119
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 18th September 2011

Licence Examination

The next theory examination for the Harmonised Amateur Radio Examination Certificate (HAREC) will be held on Friday, 14th October next at 2.00 p.m. in the ComReg offices in Dublin. Full details, including entry procedure and examination fee, are available at www.irts.ie/exam '

North Cork Radio Group Rally

The North Cork Radio Group would like to express their sincere thanks to everyone who helped to make their recent rally another resounding success. We thoroughly enjoyed the day and appreciate the support received from you all. There was a great turnout and plenty of bargains on offer. We look forward to seeing you all again next year.

North Cork Radio Group - Marconi Day 2012

The North Cork Radio Group are extremely pleased to announce that they will, once again, be operating from the Mizen Head Visitors Centre for Marconi Day 2012. We hope to have another successful weekend of contacts and look forward to speaking to you all on air. Further details will be available in due course.

Limerick Radio Club

Limerick Radio club have changed their club meeting night to Wednesday night going forward. The next meeting will be on Wednesday 12 October. Full details can be found on www.limerickradioclub.ie

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IPARC Contest

The 36th IPARC (International Police Association Radio Club) contest is coming up on first weekend in November this year. Details of the

contest and the award programme are available on the homepage www.iparc.de

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Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club

The Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club's monthly meeting will be held on Sunday 9th October 2011 at 3pm. It will be held in Brownlow Resource Centre, Brownlow Road, Craigavon, BT65 5DL. Memebers and Non- Members old and new are welcome to attend. Details are available at www.muarc.com.

A foundation course and exam will be held over the weekend of Friday 28th and Saturday 29th October and on the weekend of Friday 25th and Saturday 26th November 2011. Any individuals wishing get on the first step of amateur radio should register for the course by Monday 10th Oct 2011 and by Monday November 7th November for the November foundation course. To register go to http://www.muarc.com/courseapplicationform.htm and complete the form. More information can be gained by contacting the exam secretary Martin MI0YMF on 028 (048)38852712.

An Intermediate course will be held over 12 weeks, starting Wednesday 11th January 2012. Registration is Monday 12th Dec 2011. To register go to http://www.muarc.com/courseapplicationform.htm and complete the form. More information can be gained by contacting the exam secretary Martin MI0YMF on 028 (048)38852712.

DX News

Murat TA1AMC has been heard on the bands in recent days signing T5/TA1AMC from Somalia. It is reported that he is a member of the Turkish Ministry of Health National Medical Rescue Team and that he will be QRV from Mogadishu for the next three months. At present his DXCC status is uncertain but it looks like a case of 'Work First Worry Later'

The multi-national DXpedition to Rotuma is expected to be on the air from 27 September and will be active till 7 October. The callsign will be 3D2R and operation will be on all bands 160-10m with CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK and SSTV plus 6 and 2m EME. QSLs go via YT1AD and the logs will also be uploaded to Logbook of the World.

PA1LP will be active from Surinam in South America using the call PZ5LP from 18 September until 15 October. QSLs go via his home call.

Jelly Batteries

A new polymer jelly could be the next big step forward for lithium batteries. The jelly replaces the volatile and hazardous liquid

electrolyte currently used in most lithium batteries. Researchers from the University of Leeds hope their development leads to smaller, cheaper and safer gadgets. Once on the market, the lithium jelly batteries could allow lighter laptop computers, and more efficient electric cars.

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5 MHz Newsletter now online

A new Newsletter has been launched to support the growing number of 5 MHz operating permissions globally - it's the 5MHz Newsletter. Edited by Paul Gaskell, G4MWO, one of the original RSGB 5 MHz team, it aims to be both an accurate information source of news about 5 Mhz and a platform for exchange of ideas, be they theoretical, operational, constructional or just general comments about the band. You can freely access the 5 MHz Newsletter from Google Documents at http://tinyurl.com/6fkhcmf

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Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

880. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2011-030E - Simulated Emergency Test - SET - October 15, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-18 21:08:16 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4E765D3F.5030903@rac.ca>
Source record: 4120
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2011-030E - Simulated Emergency Test - SET - October 15, 2011
2011-09-18

The simulated emergency test is a North America-wide exercise in emergency communications, administered by the ARRL and the RAC Emergency Coordinators and Net Managers. Both the Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) and the National Traffic System (NTS) are involved. The SET weekend gives communicators the opportunity to focus on the emergency communications capability within your community, while interacting with NTS nets. The deadline for receipt of reports at RAC HQ is January 31, 2012.

As you prepare for SET:

Sign up all available radio amateurs in your area. It's a great recruiting tool.

Call a meeting of all ARES members and prospective members to outline the plan.

Contact served agencies and explain the intent and overall purpose of the SET.

Arrange publicity in local papers and radio and TV stations.

Set up liaison with one or more NTS local/section nets.

Formulate your plan around a simulated disaster.

One of the first steps to a successful SET is to get as many involved as possible, especially new Hams. They might like it so much that they stick around.

Please visit the RAC website for all of the rules and guidelines and enjoy!

73

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http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

881. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1028

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-18 21:51:24 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <17577.52258.qm@smtp108.sbc.mail.ne1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 4121
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1028
Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 1028

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Bulletin No. 1028
BID: $OPDX.1028
September 19, 2011
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, K1XN & GoList, NJ1Q & ARRL DX, WO2N, NG3K & ADXO, W3UR & The Daily DX, N4AA & QRZ DX, W5AJ, KH6BZF, N6PSE, NQ7R, AA8EY, K8GI, K8YSE, W8GEX (60m News), AT International, DL1SBF, DG8KAD & The DX News Letter, DxCoffee.com, DX-World.Net, F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX, G3XTT, HP1AC, I1JQJ/IK1ADH & 425 DX News, I1RBJ, IZ3EBA, OH2BN, OK8WW, OZ6OM & 50 MHz DX News, Pete's-DX-Newsdesk, RSGB IOTA Web Site, VA3RJ & ICPO, VHF-DX-Portal (MMMonVHF), VK3GK and VK3QB for the following DX information.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 11th-September, through Sunday, 18th-September there were 224 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4W, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9U, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T2, T32, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TR, TT, TU, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VK9L, VP2E, VP2M, VP8, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZF, ZK2, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

4J/4K, AZERBAIJAN (Nagorno Karabakh Region). Members of the "Federation of Radio Sports of Azerbaijan" and the Safari DX Activators Club are organizing a DXpedition to the Nagorno Karabakh area between September 29th and October 2nd. The DXpedition will use two different callsigns,

4K3K and 4J0K, from two different two shacks. Please be aware that the mentioned callsigns are only legal to operate in the assigned Nagorno Karabakh area. No other callsigns are issued for the named territory by the Ministry of Communication of Azerbaijan. Any other callsigns are considered illegal. QSL both callsigns via RW6HS.

4W6, TIMOR-LESTE. The 4W6A team is now active from Atauro Island (OC-232) until September 26th. Col, MM0NDX, their Pilot station, may be contacted at: dxer59@gmail.com
A few items have been mentioned on the 4W6A Facebook page:
1. Their noise level on 80m and 160m is VERY high and they reckon this will hamper their effectiveness on LF.
2. With extremely limited internet access, an online log is now available at: http://www.clublog.org/charts/?c=6A
The 4W6A Facebook page is at:
http://www.facebook.com/pages/4W6A-Atauro-Island-Oc-232/180665755315820
Activity is expected to be on all bands, 160-10 meters, using CW, SSB and RTTY with up to four stations simultaneously. The QSL Manager is M0URX, direct (SAE plus 1 IRC or 2 USDs), by the Bureau, or LoTW. The entire log will be uploaded to LoTW as quickly as possible after the end of the operation. Direct or Bureau QSLs may also be requested using the M0URX Online QSL Request Service (OQRS). There is a link from the 4W6A Web site at: http://www.4w6a.com

6Y, JAMAICA. Dennis, W1UE, will be on as W1UE/6Y5 from the 6Y1V contest station on Jamaica (NA-097, WLOTA 0214) between now and October 4th. Activity will focus on the low bands using CW, SSB and RTTY, as time permits. Dennis will also participate in the following contests using the callsign 6Y6U: CQWW RTTY Contest (September 24-25th) as a Single-Op/ All-Band/High-Power entry and the California QSO Party (October 1-2nd). QSL via his home callsign; using the CBA 2009 or later.

8P, BARBADOS. Operators Hermann/DL2NUD, Frank/DL8YHR and Joachim/DL9MS will be active as 8P9HP, 8P9DL and 8P9MS, respectively, from Barbados (NA-021), between November 7-21st. Activity will be on HF bands as well as 6 and 2 meters EME. QSL via their home callsigns.

9N, NEPAL (Update). The countdown has started on the Mediterraneo DX Club's DXpedition to Nepal. It is just less than two months away and the international DXpedition team will be on air from 9N-land! Activity is scheduled to take place between November 13-25th. The team is still looking for support to help pay for all the shipping of the equipment. So they have now initiated the following: For each contribution of at least 10 Euros, they will send a nice supporter special pin. This is just the first gadget of various items of merchandising you'll find soon on their Web page. These items will be available before and after their activity. Visit the "NEPAL11" Web page at:
http://www.mdxc.org/nepal2011

C5, THE GAMBIA. After last year's successful DXpedition to The Gambia during which the Czech-Slovak team succeeded in part CQWW DX CW Contest

to gain the world trophy in the category Multi-Multi, operators Richard/ OK8WW/OM2TW and Jiri/OK1RI have organized another contest DXpedition to this country. A group of 12 operators from the Czech Republic (OK) and Slovak Republic (OM) will operate under the callsign C50C between October 21st and November 1st, and between November 20-28th. Operators mentioned are: Richard/OK8WW/OM2TW, Jiri/OK1RI, Joe/OM5AW, Jiri/OK1DO, Norbert/OM6NM, Jan/OM2IB, Lada/OK1DIX, Petr/OK1FFU, Zdenek/OK1DSZ, Vlada/OK1NU, David/ OK1RK and Vitek/OK5MM. Their main aim is to participate in both parts of the CQWW DX Contests (SSB and CW) under the callsign C5A. QSL via Brani, OM2FY. The complete details can be found at: http://www.om0c.com

E4, PALESTINE (Update). Peri, HB9IQB, who has been granted a license by the Ministry of Telecommunications & Technology in Ramallah and plans to be active as E44PM in December, has announced this week that he expects to be operational at 0001z, December 16th, or possibly a few hours before that. For more details and updates, visit the following Web page at: http://www.hb9iqb.ch/palestine.html

FJ/TO3, ST. BARTHELEMY. Operators Nikola/VE3EY and John/VE3TA will be active as FJ/homecall from St. Barthelemy (NA-146) between November 22-29th. Activity will include the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Multi-Single entry. They will use a TO3 callsign (possibly TO3A again). QSL via their home callsigns.

IOTA NEWS.....
EU-001. Villy, LA4GY, will be active as SV5/LA4GY from Rhodes Island (GIOTA DKS-006, MIA MGD-028, WLOTA 0045) between September 25th and October 10th. Activity will be on 40-6 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-004. Mike, DL4ABO, will be active as EA6/DL4ABO from Mallorca Island (DIE E-021, MIA MB-004, WLOTA 1902) between October 19-24th. Activity will be QRP using a FT-817, and he will focus on 30 meters CW. QSL via his home callsign, the Bureau is preferred.

EU-038. Ric, DL2VFR, will be active as PA/DL2VFR from Ameland Island (WLOTA 1059) between September 30th and October 6th. Activity will be on the HF bands, mainly CW. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct.

EU-058. Sergio, IZ4BBF, will be active as F/IZ4BBF from the Island of Sainte Marguerite (DIFM ME020, MIA MF-028) between October 13-16th. Activity will be on the IOTA frequencies on 40-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign (see QRZ.com).

EU-131. Members of the Extreme DX & Contest Group will be active as IL3A from Lido Island (IIA VE-032, DCI VE-009), weather permitting, on Saturday, September 24th. Activity will be on 40/20/15 meters. QSL via IK3HHX, direct or by the Bureau. For

more information, see QRZ.com or the Web page at:
http://www.extremegroup.org

KP1, NAVASSA ISLAND. The "DX-World.net" Web page is reporting the following information: "Rumors coming out of Georgia, USA • with separate confirmation from a trusted source • suggest a major DXpedition to Navassa Island (#2 Most Wanted DXCC) is now in full planning stage for March 2012." More details are forthcoming.

KH2, GUAM. Miki, JJ2CJB, will be active as AC2AI/KH2 from Guam Island (OC-026) during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th). QSL via JJ2CJB, by the JA Bureau. Log will be uploaded to LoTW and eQSL.

KP2, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS. Operators Jaime/WP3A, Jimmy/KP2BH and Hugo/K2DER will be active as KP2B during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Multi-Op/All-Band/Remote entry. QSL via K2DER or LotW. For more details, see: http://www.wp3a.com

LX, LUXEMBOURG. Philippe/LX2A and a team of operators will be active as LX7I during the CQWW DX RTTY Contest (September 24-25th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via LX2A. Visit the LX2A Web page at: http://www.lx2a.com

OJ0, MARKET REEF. Looks like Market Reef will be busy the next few weeks. Thanks to the cooperation of the Finnish Lighthouse Society and their transportation partner, Captain Mats Sjostrom of Aland Islands, Radio Arcala team (OH8X) and their associates, they have planned a 3 week operation from Market Reef (OJ0X) which began this week. Operations will be done by an international team of thirteen operators that will operate on a one week shift. This week, look for operators Salvatore/DH7SA, Dietmar/DL3DXX, Andreas/DL5CW and Robert/SP5XVY to be on the WARC bands and in the CQWW RTTY Contest (September 24-25th). This will be followed by operators Pekka/OH1TV, Miika/OH2BAD, Ilmo/OH2BO and Tapani/OH5BM, who will be on the low bands as well as the regular bands. The last week of operation will be done by Nigel/G3TXF, Martti/OH2BH, Pertti/OH2PM, Teemu/SM0W and Rick/SM6U, who will participate in the SAC SSB Contest (October 8-9th). Suggested frequencies for the above operations are:
CW - 1813 or 1826.5, 3523, 7023, 10123, 14003 or 14033, 18083 or 18083, 21003 or 21033, 24893 or 24903, 28003 or 28033 kHz
SSB - 1843, 3770, 7070, 14170, 18130, 21280, 24960 and 28490 kHz
RTTY - 10140 and 18108 kHz
Log search will be available at <http://www.clublog.org/charts/?c•0X> but it may not be updated daily due to poor Internet access from Market Reef. QSL OJ0X via OH2BH. For more details, see:
http://www.qrz.com/db/OJ0X#1st

P4, ARUBA. Robert, W5AJ, will once again be active as P40P starting October 26th, through the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th). In the contest, he will be a Single-Op/All-Band entry. Outside of the contest, activity will be on 30/17/12 meter bands using RTTY. QSL via LoTW or direct to W5AJ.

PZ, SURINAME. Peter, PA1LP, will once again be active as PZ5LP from Nieuw Nickerie between September 18th and October 15th. Activity will probably be on 40-10 meters, mostly on BPSK31 and RTTY. He will use a FT-857 w/100 watts into a G5RV, LDG Z100 antenna tuner and Signalink. QSL via his home callsign. QSL also via LoTW or eQSL.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated September 16th)

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3Z25ZJP via SP6ZJP CN2UM via EA5UM PR2B via PY2BW
4L2M via EA7FTR EX2F via RW6HS (direct only) PT2CM via PR7JP
4O/LB9N via LB9N IK2/DF5DN via DF5DN PT5T via K3IRV
4X0T via 4Z5FI LR9D via LU9ESD R650FN via UA4FU
8R10USA via 8R1AK LY37E via LY3NX ST2AR via S53R
(direct)
9A/S59AA via S59AA LZ220SM via LZ3SM TR8CA via F6CBC
9H3AAG via PA3BLS N3U via W3PN UN5J via W3HNK
9H3S via PA3HGP OH5/DJ9DZ via DJ9DZ UO5L via UN7LZ
9H3YT via PA3GUU OZ/DL1EBR via DL1EBR UT/OK1DIG/P via
OK1DVM
A6/DL9WVM via DL9WVM OZ8BV via HB9DUY W6P via KG0KP
A71A via A71AN OZ30EU via OZ8IE YV7/DL3JH via DL3JH
BY1TTY via BD1LLB PA175NYV via PA3CWG ZA/G3SXW via G3SXW
CE4CT via EA5KB PP5NZ via PU5AAD ZK2AB via ZL4CZ

5X1SF QSL STATUS. Tom, GM4FDM, reports that cards have arrived from the printer and the first batch was going out last week.

II1A QSL ROUTES. Paul, F/I1RBJ, informs that his old II1A contest callsign between 1990 and 1996 has now be reassigned to IK1PSR starting with the forthcoming contests, so QSL PLEASE to him. He is expected to be quite active. Paul states that he still receives now and then requests for II1A. He has all the logs still, so if you still need a QSL, please QSL via his F/I1RBJ address.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 3D2DX, 4L4WW, 4U1UN, 9K2HN, 9K2OK, 9M6DXX/P, 9M6XRO/P, 9V1SV, BA1KW, BV100, CR5B, E77AW, EI7JN, F5RAB/P, FM5CD, FY5PO, HP1/IZ6BRN, HZ1SK, J39BS, JA1NLX/VK4, JA6WFM, JA7BME, JE1LFX, JH4UYB, JO3JIS, JX5O, LA2PA, OT4A, PA/ON6CQ, RA2FF, RC0F, RV4CT, S50A, SU9VB, TF3Y, YB0MWM and ZA/HA5X

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 5R8IC, A92IO, BV100, CE9/VE3LYC, D44BS, DZ1P, FO8RZ, FT5GA, HH2/OH2TA, HI8CSS, KP2/NY6X, KU2F/VK4, MS0INT, ON6NL, OY/PA2A, PJ2T, PJ6D, PP0T, T32TV, VK4LS, YL2BJ, VP5/NY6X, YS3CW and ZS26BI

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 6J5M, 9L5MS, CS7A, D2CQ, DC4A, DK7YY, EA9IE, JY9NX, OK1KW, OL4HQ, PJ2/W5MPC, RL3A, TB0DX, UA9NN, UU4JMG, VU4PB, YM0DX, YU1ARC, YU1DW, YU1LA and YU2000A

SILENT KEY. Several have informed OPDX that Doc Sheller, K8RR (ex-WN8WZT, WA8ZDF, K8RZ, WT8AA, KN8Z), became a Silent Key (SK) on September 12th.

Doc may be best known for being on the ARRL DX Advisory Committee (DXAC). He was also the DXAC chairman in 1974. He was also a founding/charter member of the Mad River Radio Club. OPDX and its readers would like to send out our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of K8RR.

ST0R DXPEDITION TO THE SOUTH SUDAN (Press Release #6). "During the ST0R DXpedition to Juba, South Sudan, Team Co-Leader Paul Ewing, N6PSE, gave an on-air interview to WNYC Radio in New York City about ST0R and the team's experience in South Sudan. You can hear a recording of that interview at: http://www.onthemedia.org/2011/sep/16/hams-travel-south-sudan
In addition, our QSL cards are currently being printed and we anticipate having the first batch in the mail in mid-October. We will upload to LoTW later in 2012. Our official website is:
http://www.dxfriends.com/SouthernSudan2011
Thank you,
The Intrepid-DX Group and The DX Friends."

T32, EASTERN KIRBATI (T32C Christmas Island DXpedition). Don, G3XTT, FSDXA Publicity Officer, sent out the following press release (Bulletin #4) on September 16th: "It's been one of those years. Spratly and Jarvis had to be postponed and now our own, T32C, expedition has hit some logistical problems in that our container with its 6 tonnes of kit got as far as T30 (Tarawa), but onward shipping to T32 has proved impossible despite our best efforts and promises from those involved in 3D2, T30 and T32. The ship that was due to bring our container from Tarawa has broken down and is being towed to Fiji for repairs.
WHAT NOW -- So what happens now? The answer is that we will go ahead anyway. The team is complete and set to go, the hotel is expecting us, and the sunspots seem to be on the increase.
Thanks to Yaesu, our Global Sponsor, we will have ten FT-450D radios, which we will hand carry to T32, along with several lightweight linears. Yaesu's support has been absolutely outstanding. We will also take enough hardware to set up verticals and vertical arrays for all bands 160 through 10. It may even be possible to run multiple stations on some bands, though not to the extent that we had previously planned. All our computer equipment was to be hand-carried in any case, so daily log updates to ClubLog (see Bulletin 3) will be unaffected. Unfortunately, unless our container makes an unlikely late arrival on the island, 6m EME will have to be abandoned, and we will not have the 4-square arrays for 30 and 40. But we will do our best to set up phased systems or other antenna configurations to achieve gain, especially towards Europe where will continue to focus our efforts.
TIMINGS -- The expedition dates are unaffected, but we cannot realistically expect to have stations running on nine bands by the first weekend, though we will aim to be on some bands, at least. As we will not have everything pre-kitted, there will be a lot of building and configuration work to do once we arrive at Christmas. The good news is that we are there for nearly four weeks and will be operating through four weekends, so there should be plenty of opportunity to get into our log.
WEBSITE -- As always, but especially in these new circumstances, the

trick is to keep a close eye on our website. Do keep checking it for updates, both before and during the expedition: www.t32c.com You will also find details there of how to interact with us once we start operations
 your feedback will be especially important so that we can maximize every band opening."

T88, PALAU. Eugene, RA0FF, will be active as T88OW from the Palau Rental Shack (See http://palau.rental-shack.com/english) between December 30th and January 8th (2012). Activity should be on all bands using CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign.

TP50, FRANCE. The "Council of Europe Radio Amateur Club" (CERAC - TP2CE) will be active as TP50CE between September 23-24th. Activity is to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the European Social Charter. Operations are usually on all HF bands and modes, possibly the satellites. Operators mentioned are Sergiy/F0EQE, Oleg/RV3DH and Sparky/RW3AH. QSL via F5LGF. An online log search will be available at: http://ewwa.free.fr

TU, IVORY COAST (Update). An Italian team consisting of Alfeo/I1HJT, Silvano/I2YSB, Vinicio/IK2CIO, Angelo/IK2CKR, Marcello/IK2DIA, Stefano/ IK2HKT and Angelo/IK2RZP will be active as TU2T from the Ivory Coast between October 27th and November 11th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1823, 3505, 7005, 10106, 14025, 18075, 21025, 24895 and 28025 kHz
SSB - 3780, 7056/7180, 14195, 18145, 21295, 24945 and 28495 kHz
RTTY - 10140, 14080, 18104, 21080, 24902 and 2808 kHz
6m - 50105 kHz - CW, SSB and Beacon
Pilot station will be Art, IK7JWY. QSL via I2YSB, direct (2 USDs Europe, 3 USDs outside Europe and SAE [NO IRCs and stamps) or via the OQRS. QSL via the Bureau to IK2CIO. For more details, visit the TU2T Web page at: http://www.i2ysb.com/joomla5
Also, join the TU2T forum at:
http://www.hamradioweb.org/forums/forumdisplay.php?fb

VP2, ANGUILLA. Pete, VE3IKV/VA3RA, will be active (hopefully) as VP2ERA from Anguilla (NA-022) between November 25th and December 3rd. His activity will include an entry in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th). Look for him on 40-10 meters during the contest, and on the 17m and 12m bands (plus 10m and 6m) outside of the contest. QSL via VE3IKV.

VP8, FALKLAND ISLANDS. Rich, G0ZEP, will be active as VP8DFR from the Falkland Islands (SA-002) at the end of October. He plans to visit various hill top sites from both the east and west islands, if he receives permission to activate. QSL via his home callsign (see QRZ.com for more details).

VP8ORK SOUTH ORKNEY ISLAND DVD (Review by OPDX Editor Tedd, KB8NW). Just before going to print for this week's bulletin, I had a chance to preview the 2011 VP8ORK MicroLite Penguins DXpedition's to South Orkney Islands DVD by well-known DXpedition video photographer/operator James Brooks, 9V1YC. I can say that this is another "must have" DVD for

a DXer's collection. James's talents have captured the workings of the VP8ORK DXpedition and the majestic scenery of the Antarctic on this video. It is well worth the watch. In 52 mintues you witness the loading of the radio equipment onto the ship "Braveheart" in Ushuaia, Argentina, the trip south to South Orkney (including icebergs along the way), as well as the landing, unloading and setup of equipment and shelters on the island. You get to see the extreme challenges the team endured installing antennas in the hard rugged terrain; including scenes of operators working the pile-ups and the many seals. Interviews by both operators and Nigel Jolly (owner of the Braveheart) is a delight. This five star video is now available for 25.00 USDs and shipping will begin on September 21st. To order yours today, go to: http://www.dxvideos.com/vp8orkvideo.htm

YJ, VANUATU. Operators Ben/DJ0YI and Tom/NQ7R will be active as YJ0ABP and YJ0ANR, respectively, from Vanuatu between September 27th and October 15th. They are part of the YJ0VK DXpedition (see below) and plan to operate before and after the main DXpedition operation. They plan to arrive at Port Vila on September 27th, and are expected to become operational that day until September 30th, when the main VK0VK group arrives from VK-land. After October 12th, when the main operation closes, they will remain and operate until October 15th. Their activity will be mostly CW and the Digital modes. QSL YJ0ABP via DJ0YI. QSL YJ0ANR via NQ7R.

YJ, VANUATU (Update). A team of 8 amateur radio operators from Australia and the USA will be activating YJ0VK from Port Vila on Efate Island between September 30th and October 12th. Earlier updates indicate that the team will operate with up to 4 stations on bands from 160-10m, using CW, SSB and RTTY/PSK31. They do not have plans to activate 6m. This past week Chris, VK3QB, mentioned that the team will focus on the 30/17/12 meters bands and RTTY. Also, they have authorization to operate on 60m. They will also be participating in the Oceania DX Contest, both CW and SSB. Equipment will consist of 3 Kenwood TS-480HXs running 200w barefoot and a Elecraft K3, also barefoot. Antennas will be verticals mounted on the beach for 80m, 40m, 20m and an inverted L for 160m. A Cushcraft 3 element A3WS is proposed for the WARC activity. Verticals will also be used for 15m and 10m. QSL via VK2CA, direct or by the Bureau. LoTW log upload will be available on completion of operation. For updates, visit the YJ0VK Web page at: http://yj0vk.odxg.org/yj0vk2011/default.html

ZF, CAYMAN ISLANDS. Operators Franz/OE2SNL, Wolfgang/OE2WNL and Tom/OE2ATN will be active as ZF2OE, in what they call a "Suitcase DXpedition", from Cayman Brac Island (NA-016) between October 21st and November 2nd. Activity will be focused on 160/80 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY, but they will also use the other bands, depending on the conditions. They will use two TS-480HXs with no amps. Frequencies and times of operations will be posted on their Web page before their trip and during their stay if they have an InterNet connection. QSL via OE2WNL, direct or by the Bureau. Watch for updates at: http://www.zf2oe.net

ZK2, NIUE. A group of German operators will be active as ZK2C from Namukulu, Niue (OC-040, WFF ZLFF-021, WLOTA 2139), between February

3-17th (2012). Operators mentioned are Heidi/DK1MA, Sid/DM2AYO, Rolf/
DL7VEE, Jan/DL7JAN, Klaus-Dieter/DK1AX, J�rgen/DF1AL, Heye/DJ9RR,
Dietmar/DL2HWA and Uwe/DJ9HX. Activity will be on all bands 160-6 meters
using CW, SSB and RTTY, with three stations on air simultaneously using
500 watt solid state amplifiers and various antennas. QSL via DL7JAN,
by the Bureau or direct or OQRS. Online log will be available at ClubLog.
For more information and updates, visit their Web site at:
http://zk2c.hkmann.de

ZM4, NEW ZEALAND. Members of the East Coast Contesters ZM4T/ZM2M Team
will be active using the callsign, ZM4T, in the CQWW DX CW Contest
(November 26-27th) as a Multi-Single entry. Operators mentioned are:
Lee/ZL2AL, Stan/ZL2ST, Gary/ZL2IFB, Holger/ZL3IO and Michael/ZL2FAR.
QSL via ZL2AL, direct or LoTW. Visit the ZM4T Web page at:
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882. Re: They are laughing and I mean LAUGHING at you in ScrubGenius

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-18 23:18:56 UTC
From: "tholen@antispam.ham" <tholen@ifa.hawaii.edu>
Message-ID: <cf48351c-b69c-48dd-82a5-092878741a56@n40g2000yqb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4122
Cross-posted to: alt.slack,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy

dizzy <dizzy@nospam.invalid> writes:

1542> Newsgroups:
alt.slack,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.polic
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1542> tholen tholed:

What was allegedly endured while writing, dizzy?

1542> Don't you have something better to be doing, tholen?

What does your ironic question have to do with alt.slack,
rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb,comp.os.os2.advocacy,
rec.radio.amateur.policy, dizzy?

883. Re: my beshert is having an ethics conomdrum.....when is it ok to have sex with a corpse ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-18 23:35:55 UTC
From: "tholen@antispam.ham" <tholen@ifa.hawaii.edu>
Message-ID: <313bc0ac-7a43-4586-87ce-01d7ac8bd9a2@d12g2000vba.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4123
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack,alt.usenet.kooks,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy

kd8ctl <kd8ctl@email.com> writes:

19> Newsgroups:
rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack,alt.usenet.kooks,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy

19> My morkins says if it's a really hot young dude with the ass juice
19> still warm than all is OK.

What do your morkins have to do with rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack,
alt.usenet.kooks,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy,
kd9ctl?

884. Re: get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-18 23:37:02 UTC
From: "tholen@antispam.ham" <tholen@ifa.hawaii.edu>
Message-ID: <10393249-f0cd-4a60-904d-09b459d5d4c3@y7g2000yqh.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4124
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack,alt.usenet.kooks,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy

kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com> writes:

483> Newsgroups:
rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack,alt.usenet.kooks,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy

483> Message-ID: <b6db4bb0-ad4f-45a5-8ff4-
f8d7e7becacc@w21g2000yql.googlegroups.com>

What does your empty response to kd8ctl have to do with
rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack,alt.usenet.kooks,
comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy, kb9rqz?

885. [RAC-Bulletin] [EMCOMM]: Hurricane Marie packs a punch but then quickly exits

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-19 02:53:14 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4E76AE30.20208@rac.ca>
Source record: 4125
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Hurricane Marie packs a punch but then quickly exits
2011-09-17

Skies are clear and sunny today, although wing gusts are still quite strong (up to 75 km/hr) in some areas. Overnight, gusts were recorded over 140 km/hr and some areas had rainfall in excess of 75 mm, but for the most part Maria was a disappointment. She made landfall exactly where meteorologists said she would with sustained winds of 120 km/hr, but by 5:00pm local time the low pressure system that collided with her sent her scurrying quickly to the northeast, leaving no damage to speak of.

This could just as easily been Igor all over again, but we are thankful that it wasn't. To each of you who came forward to assist with this activation, thank you! We had folks man VO1EMO at the Provincial Emergency Operations Center (PEOC) providing FES NL staff with updates as well as CANWARN observations to the weather office in Gander, mobile operators providing updates, folks at home sharing HF Net Control duties and several Maritime and Ontario Hams were at the ready in case they were needed. Once again, to all of you, *thank you*.

73

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886. TOP 15 HOT BOLLYWOOD KISSES

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-19 13:03:35 UTC
From: SAMARA <jaidatta9247@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <e33f4e4e-f0fb-44c1-ba9f-7aedcc11e129@w21g2000yql.googlegroups.com>
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PRANITHA LATEST HOT PHOTOS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/09/pranitha-hot.html
HOT KATRINAKAIF WALLPAPERS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/katrina-kaif-hot.html
SAMANTHA HOT WALLPAPERS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/09/samantha-hot.html
TAMANNA HOT PHOTOS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/tamanna-hot.html
HOT MALLU ACTRESS BHAMA
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/09/bhama-hot.html
TOLLYWOOD HOT ACTRESSES
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/hot-actrsess.html
SONAKSHI SINHA HOT PHOTOS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/09/sonakshi-sinha-hot.html
PRIYANKA CHOPRA LATEST HOT PHOTOS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/priyanka-chopra-hot.html

LATEST AMISHA PATEL HOT PICS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/amisha-patel-hot.html
TAPSEE DIFFERENT STILLS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/tapsee-hot.html
PRIYAMANI HOT PHOTOS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/priyamani-hot.html

KATRINA KAIF HOT IMAGES
http://hotactress-katrina.blogspot.com/2011/08/katrina-kaif-hot.html
TOP 15 HOT BOLLYWOOD KISSES

http://hotactress-katrina.blogspot.com/2011/08/bollywood-kisses.html
KAJAL AGARWAL HOT PICS
http://hotactress-katrina.blogspot.com/2011/09/kajal-agarwal.html

887. Re: get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-19 19:33:08 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <2d9415ab-82fc-4c0a-8daf-b1b14c70f245@h6g2000vbc.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4127
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack,alt.usenet.kooks,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On Sep 16, 2:32 pm, kb9rqz <m...@kb9rqz.com> wrote:
> On Sep 16, 9:16 am, kd8ctl <kd8...@email.com> wrote:
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> > My morkins says if it's a really hot young- Hide quoted text -
>
> - Show quoted text -

888. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-19 19:40:29 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <4ed2ddee-da1d-4a46-9207-c49b87f23929@c22g2000yqa.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4128

On Sep 19, 9:03 am, SAMARA <jaidatta9...@gmail.com> wrote:
> FOR GOOD JOBS SITES TO YOU
> http://goodjobssites.blogspot.com/
>

can the spam

889. Re: get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-19 22:20:35 UTC
From: "tholen@antispam.ham" <tholen@ifa.hawaii.edu>
Message-ID: <f55864fd-9412-4e44-86ae-bbb438e0abf9@eb1g2000vbb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4129
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack,alt.usenet.kooks,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy

kb9rqz <mrak.margon@yahoo.com> writes:

484> Newsgroups:
24hoursupport.helpdesk,alt.slack,alt.usenet.kooks,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy

484> Who's kd9ctl, Tholen?
484> There's no one in this newsgroup (or any of the ones you cross
posted
484> to) using that alias, Tholen.

kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com> writes:

485> Newsgroups:
rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack,alt.usenet.kooks,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy

485> Message-ID: <2d9415ab-82fc-4c0a-8daf-
b1b14c70f245@h6g2000vbc.googlegroups.com>

What does your empty response to yourself have to do with
rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack,alt.usenet.kooks,
comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy, kb9rqz?

890. ** MMMonVHF Newsletter / WEEK 38/2011 **

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-20 13:35:59 UTC
From: MMMonVHF News Mailer <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <201109201326.p8KDQLeu032148@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 4130
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our lastet NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2011-09-20
Next two weeks we will publish always TUESDAYS as exception!
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter, once a week (thursday)
from now on - if any special activities will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further detail please be so kind and watch our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you vy welcome for any
input and we do hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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** The 144 MHz EME NewsLetter - Current Issue September 2011 **

Since 2003 DF2ZC publishes the 144 MHz EME NewsLetter. This is
a free service for the EME community. Bernd, DF2ZC, informed us
that the latest edition of the EME-Newsletter is now available
at: http://www.df2zc.de/newsletter - EMENL201109 [918 KB] 73
SOURCE: tnx to Bernd, DF2ZC to MMMonVHF

** 15th International EME Conference **

In less than one year from now the 15th International EME conference
will take place in Cambridge, England. The conference ï¿½ hosted by
the UK Microwave Group in conjunction with the RSGB - will be held
from 17th to 19th August 2012, starting on 16th with a tour through
the famous Bletchley Park with the WW2 code breaking establishment.
To provide best value the organising committee are arranging
inclusive packages to minimise those hidden extras. The details will
be published on the booking web site opened by January 2012. A
comprehensive partners program is currently being developed. Please
check the dedicated conference web site at http://www.eme2012.com
every now and then for updates. You can also register for a RSS
newsfeed on that site. Anyone with products of interest to the EME
community, who would like to promote them at the conference or by
taking advertising in the conference proceedings please contact
Brian G4NNS by direct email: brian-coleman"at"tiscali.co.uk
SOURCE: EME Newsletter EMENL201109 - tnx to Bernd, DF2ZC to MMMonVHF

** DD0VF rcvd 2m DXCC certificate **

After some trouble (wrong callsign, wrong type of award) I received
my 2m DXCC (#73) today . My DXCC#100 was Bob, 3D2RS in october 2010
I usualy would not make so much noise about, but it might be the 1st
DXCC with a ERP called "QRP". The max antenna gain was 16.0dBd and
the max pwr was 550W in CW and 400W (350W in average) in digi modes
This shows the chances of the software by K1JT and I'm sure there
will be someone with even lower ERP than mine soon. About 3 years
I've been against digimodes, but I changed my minds in 2006. I
never will forget my time on CW-eme with 109 inits. List of DXCCs
on 2m: www.arrl.org/system/dxcc/view/DXCC-2M-20110911-A4.pdf
SOURCE: tnx to Steffen, DD0VF, via MoonNet

** VHF-DATABASE at MMMonVHF (http://www.mmmonvhf.de/dbase.php) **

Time to time it will be necessary to remember about regular updates
to the VHF-DATABASE at MMMonVHF. At mid of october we plan to
spread a new issue of our VHF-DATABASE to all DX-Cluster (and USER
which what it). So please be so kind and UPDATE IT NOW SOON! LOGIN
at MMMonVHF and follow the link to your Account > than click on
"VHF-DATABASE Update" and click on the INFO Button left side of
the Call (mostly only YOUR CALL or YOUR Expeditions calls) you
wants to change... Click on the EDIT Button (lower end of the page)
if something to change and edit the datasentence. After you have
finished your changes PLEASE do not forget to click on SAVE! Your
data will be reviewed by the Team and released to the VHF-DATABASE
as soon as possible! You will receive a confirmation E-mail when
your data is online available at MMMonVHF! The DX-Cluster will get
those updated Files only one time a year! Info or changes of OTHER
than your own Call or your Expedition Calls as well welcome. In
such a case please do use the Contact Form
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/kontact.php and pass us the
CALL you want to edit as well... Files like CALL3.txt will be
availble for free to everybody from your account and daily fresh!
To get into CALL3.txt you need to have one of the keywords (WSJT
MS or EME) at your datasentence activated!
SOURCE: Guy, DL8EBW, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: 7P8 ; Square: KG30 ; Start: 2011-09-16 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3942

7P8EME (Lesotho) from KG30VI on VHF (EME and MS)
LATEST NEWS by Guido, DL8EBW, dated 2011-09-20: The Team was able

to setup 300W into their 4x 20XP meantime again. They produced
extrem good signals past night (remember DGR -5,6 db!):
001400 3 -23 2.9 24 3 # DL8EBW 7P8EME KG30 OOO
They was able to work easily 2Y and 1Y stations... Pine told, the
LOG will be online as soon as possible AFTER the trip!
SOURCE: DL2NUD / 7P8HP / 7P8EME, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: OX ; Square: GP47 ; Start: 2011-09-19 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3985

OK1VVT will be qrv from OX (GP47pa) on 144 MHz EME
LATEST NEWS by Guido, DL8EBW, dated 2011-09-20: Vasek, OX4OK
(OK1VVX) was able to work some more stations past night. They
produced good signals at 2Y past night (remember DGR -5,6 db!):
011200 1 -28 2.6 -110 3 # DL8EBW OX4OK GP47 OOO
Best seen was -24db CQï¿½s but Vasek have had extrem problems with
RX! Hope it will be better end of the week when Condx raise...
Small setup with single 5WL Yagi and 1kW, CW and WSJT capable modes
SOURCE: tnx to OK1VVX direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: 3D2 ; Square: RG78 ; Start: 2011-09-25 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3483

3D2C, CONWAY REEF ACTIVITY 2011 on HF and 6m & 2m (EME)
LATEST NEWS from Lance, W7GJ, via Magic Band EME, dated 2011-09-19:
I heard from the 3D2R team, and they agreed to try some limited
EME on 2m and 6m. I am not sure exactly what that means except
that I hope they will be QRV at least when the moon is below 20 deg.
on days when the Degradation is not too high. Their revised
frequencies are posted here: http://www.yt1ad.info/3d2r/frq.html
SOURCE: GL and VY 73, Lance [Magic Band EME]

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** ZK2C from Niue qrv HF and 50 MHz **

Nine operators from Germany (DF1AL, DJ9HX, DJ9RR, DK1AX, DK1MA,
DL2HWA, DL7JAN, DL7VEE and DM2AYO) will be active as ZK2C from Niue
(OC-040) on 3-17 February 2012. They will operate CW, SSB and RTTY
on 160-6 metres with three stations. QSL via DL7JAN, direct or
bureau. Further information, including suggested frequencies,
log search and the OQRS for both direct and bureau cards, can be
found at http://zk2c.hkmann.de/ SOURCE: 425 DX News #1063

** Villy, LA4GY, qrv as SV5/LA4GY on HF and 50 MHz **

Look for Villy, LA4GY, to be active as SV5/LA4GY from the island
of Rodos [aka Rhodes] (IOTA EU-001, GIOTA DKS-006, MIA MGD-028,
WLOTA 0045), between 25 September and 10 October, 2011. QRV on
40m-6m CW, SSB and the Digital modes, using Yaesu FT817ND and
Longwire / Buddistick. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.
SOURCE: [rsgbiota.org] via ICPO Bulletin (16-23 September 2011)

** TU, IVORY COAST (IJ85), qrv as TU2T **

Look for DXpedition callsign TU2T to be active from Azuretti,
Grand-Bassam, Region du Sud-Comoe, Ivory Coast (WW Loc. IJ85CE),
between 27 October and 11 November, 2011. QRV on 160-6 metres,
using all modes as possible. Pilot station will be Art, IK7JWY.
Operators include Alfeo I1HJT, Silvano I2YSB, Vinicio IK2CIO,
Angelo IK2CKR, Marcello IK2DIA, Stefano IK2HKT and Gino IK2RZP.
A real time online log will be available during the DXpedition.
Also a forum has been set up (www.hamradioweb.com/). QSL via direct
to I2YSB, QSL via the bureauto IK2CIO. Full information, updates
and online forum can be found on their website at: www.i2ysb.com/
SOURCE: [dx-world.net] via ICPO Bulletin (16-23 September 2011)

** T88OW qrv on HF and 50 MHz **

Eugene, RA0FF, will be active from the West Plaza by the Sea Hotel,
Koror Island, Republic of Palau (IOTA OC-009, WW Loc. PJ77FI), as
T88OW between 30 December, 2011 and 8 January, 2012. QRV on 160-6 m
QSL via home call. SOURCE: [dx-world.net] via ICPO Bulletin

** 5C2 qrv again HF and 50 MHz **

Ruggero IK2PZC (5C2P), Leo I8LWL (5C2L), Fred IK7JWX (5C2J),
Simon IZ7ATN (5C2SG), Ampelio IS0AGY (5C2B) Mounaim CN8QY
(Essaouira, Morocco) and Belkaid CN8QX (Dakhla, Morocco) will
be active from their base camp located in Dakhla city (WW Loc.
IL23AQ) from 22-29 September 2011. They will also be active as
5C2 personal calls /P from the lighthouse of of Dakhla (ARLHS
WSA-001, WW Loc. IL23AQ) and the National Park of the coast of
Dakhla (WFF CNFF-007, WW Loc. IL23AR), Morocco. The main purpose
of the DXpedition is to activate Herne Island (IOTA AF-068, WW Loc
IL23CU), South Western Sahara, as 5C2 personal calls /P. Plans
are to be QRV using all modes on the HF bands, WARC bands and
6 metres. The team might try an entry in the CQWW DX RTTY Contest
(24-25 September) using the callsign 5C2P. QSL via their home calls
direct or bureau. QSL 5C2SG via IZ7ATN, direct (QRZ.com).
QSL CN8QY and CN8QX via I8LWL, direct only. At the present time
they need supporters, sponsors, contributors. Stay tuned for

further info! SOURCE: [IK7JWX] via ICPO Bulletin (16-23 Sept.2011)

** DXpedition to Kiritimati (Christmas Island) T32C (BJ12HA) **

LATEST NEWS from Lance, W7GJ, dated 2011-09-19: T32C status update:
http://www.t32c.com/EME_OPERATION - Our hopes and thoughts are with
Kazu-san. VY 73, SOURCE: Lance, W7GJ via [Magic Band EME]

** Exception - DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF week 38/39 **

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next MONDAY!!! 2359 UTC ...

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The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF - Newsletter Credits & Info
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Our Newsletter is compiled from the input of the USER of the
VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF and as well by a lot of free usable
HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats
like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USER who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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891. Re: get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-20 19:29:20 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <1519ee90-d9fa-48fe-875e-dfcab92b95ca@h9g2000yqi.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4131
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack,alt.usenet.kooks,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy

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892. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 12 - 18 September 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-20 21:30:07 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20110920213001.998CB33C78@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4132
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.info

:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2011 Sep 20 2026 UTC
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Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
#
Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
#
Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
12 - 18 September 2011

Although by September 15th there were 11 numbered regions on the visible solar disk, solar activity was low. Region 1289 (N23, L=129, class/area, Dho/450 on 10 September) was the largest region but only managed to produce low level C-flare activity. Region 1297 (S18, L=151, class/area, Dao/60 on 16 September), numbered on the 14 September, was the most active region during the period. The region produced 12 flares, including a C9/1F on 14 September at 2051 UTC, before decaying to plage late on the 17 September. Regions 1295 (N22, L=060, class/area, Dhc/300 on 18 September) and 1290 (S15, L=139, class/area, Dsi/070 on 12 September) also produced C9 flares; a long duration C9 at 12/2054 UTC and a C9/Sf at 16/1136 UTC respectively. The remaining regions produced only low to mid level C-class activity.

The only earth-directed coronal mass ejection (CME) of the week was linked to an eruption on the 13 September in the vicinity of Region 1289 (N24W25). The full halo CME was observed in SOHO / LASCO C2 imagery at 14/0000Z with an estimated plane-of-sky speed of 428 km/s which was later refined to approximately 600 km/s using STEREO COR2 imagery.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The geomagnetic field ranged from quiet to active levels at mid latitudes and briefly reached severe storm levels at high latitudes. The week began with unsettled to active levels at middle latitudes with active to major storm conditions at higher latitudes as the geomagnetic field continued to be influenced by a geoeffective coronal hole high speed stream (CH HSS). Disturbed conditions continued until mid day on the 13 September. By 14 September, the geomagnetic field had returned to quiet levels as the effects of the high speed stream waned. Quiet conditions persisted until 17 September when the CME from 13 September arrived at earth. The CME

passage was first observed at the ACE spacecraft at 17/0256 UTC followed by a 21 nT sudden impulse at the Boulder magnetometer. The geomagnetic field reacted with unsettled to active conditions at mid latitudes and periods of major to severe storm levels at high latitudes. Mostly quiet conditions returned by 18 September with two active periods observed mid-day at high latitudes.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit reached high levels 12-17 September.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
21 September - 17 October 2011

Solar activity is expected to be at low to moderate levels from 21 - 23 September. On 24 September - 08 October, activity is expected to increase to moderate levels with a slight chance for major flare activity as old Region 1283 (N14, L=226) rotates onto the visible disk. Solar activity is expected to return to predominantly low to moderate levels for the remainder of the period.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit until 23 September. There is a slight chance for a proton enhancement from 24 September until 08 October as old Region 1283 returns to the visible disk. No proton events are expected from 09 October until the end of the period.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at mostly normal to moderate levels. High levels are expected on 26 - 28 September and again on 02-03, 11-13 October due to influences from coronal hole high speed streams.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be mostly from 21 - 25 of September. Unsettled conditions are expected on 25 and 27 September due to CH HSS activity. On 30 September to October 01, a recurrent CH-HSS is expected to bring unsettled to occasionally active periods of geomagnetic activity. Mostly quiet conditions are expected again until 08 October when another recurrent CH HSS is expected to become geoeffective. Unsettled to Active conditions are expected with minor storm periods possible at high latitudes until 11 October. Mostly quiet conditions are expected from 12 October through the end of the period.

893. [DXNL] DXNL 1746 (Sep 21, 2011)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-20 22:50:32 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <142102911234.20110921003528@dxhf.darc.de>
Source record: 4133
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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3D2/R, ROTUMA ISLAND, OC-060
17 OPs will be QRV as 3D2R from Rotuma Island (OC-060) for ten days
starting on Sep 27. They will work in CW/SSB/FM/RTTY/SSTV/PSK on
160m-2m. QSL via YT1AD. Their website is: http://www.yt1ad.info/3d2r

6Y, JAMAICA, NA-097
Dennis,W1UE/6Y5, is active from Jamaica (NA-097) until Oct 4. He will
use the callsign 6Y6U during the upcoming CQWW RTTY Contest and the
California QSO Party and wants to work in RTTY also on the WARC bands
and the lowbands before the contest. QSLs via homecall (direct).

BV, TAIWAN, AS-020
Tang,BM2AAV, Eddie,BV2DD, Bruce,BV2KI, Evan,BV2KS, Kenichi,BW/JP1RIW,
Lee,BV2NT, and Lee,BX2AB, will sign BV100 in the CQWW RTTY Contest.
QSL via BV2KI. See also: http://www.bv100.tw/EN

CE, CHILE
Luis,CE2/CX1EK, is working in CW mainly on 12m and 17m again from
Sep 16 until Oct 19.
QSL direct via Luis Matho, 2303 Nordok Place, Alexandria VA 22306, USA.

CN, MOROCCO / S0, WESTERN SAHARA
Ruggero,IK2PZC (5C2P), Leo,I8LWL (5C2L), Fred,IK7JWX (5C2J),
Simon,IZ7ATN (5C2SG), Ampelio,IS0AGY (5C2B), Mounaim,CN8QY (CN8QY/p),
and Belkaid,CN8QX (CN8QX/p), will be QRV from Dakhla and also from the
lighthouse off the coast of Dakhla (WFF CNFF-007, ARLHS WSA-001) from
Sep 22-29. The main reason of this DXpedition is to activate the island
of Herne (AF-068) as 5C2/Homecalls/p. They will be active in all modes
on all HF bands (incl. WARC and 6m) and maybe they will also join the
CQWW RTTY Contest as 5C2P. QSLs via homecalls, 5C2SG direct via IZ7ATN,
CN8QY/p via I8LWL (direct). They are still looking for participants and
sponsors.

F, FRANCE
The "Council of Europe Radio Amateur Club" (CERAC-TP2CE) is going to activate the special event station TP50CE in all modes on all bands (maybe also satellite) on Sep 23/24. Occasion is the 50th anniversary of the European Social Charter. OPs will be Sergiy,F0EQE, Oleg,RV3DH, and Sparky,RW3AH. QSL via F5LGF. See also: http://ewwa.free.fr

FP, ST PIERRE ET MIQUELON, NA-032
Martin,FP/G3ZAY, will show up from Miquelon (NA-032, DIFO FP-002, WLOTA 1417) from Sep 24-29. QSL via homecall.

G, ENGLAND, EU-005
The Southgate Amateur Radio Club will use the special callsign GB0TLR which stands for "Railways on the Air" on Sep 24/25. QSL via M0XDS. Internet: http://rota.m0php.net

HK, COLOMBIA
HK1T, HK1W, HK1AA, HK3TU, HK1N, HK1R of the DX Amateur Radio Club DXARC will activate the Jumanji contest station as HK1NA during the CQWW RTTY Contest. QSLs via K6IPM.

HL, SOUTH KOREA
Don,KC6STQ, is working as HL2/KC6STQ on HF. QSL via homecall (direct).

J2, DJIBOUTI
Freddy,J28RO, will join the CQWW RTTY Contest as well. QSL via F8DFP. Internet: http://j28ro.blogspot.com

LX, LUXEMBOURG
Several OPs will sign LX7I in the CQWW RTTY Contest. QSLs via LX2A. See also: http://www.lx2a.com/lx7i.html

OJ0, MARKET REEF, EU-053
A team of experienced OPs is working from Market Reef (IOTA EU-053, ARLHS MAR-001, TWLHD WLH OJ0-001, WFF OHFF-038, WLOTA 0542) as OJ0X for the next three weeks since Sep 19. They are running three stations in CW, SSB and RTTY on 160m-10m and plan to take part also in the CQWW RTTY Contest and the SAC SSB Contest. QSL via OH2BH.
Their website is: http://www.majakkaseura.fi

PZ, SURINAME
Peter,PA1LP, is active again as PZ5LP from Nieuw-Nickerie (GJ15lw) between Sep 18 and Oct 15. He is using a FT-857 with G5RV antenna mainly in BPSK and RTTY on 40m-10m. QSL via homecall, eQSL, LoTW.

SP, POLAND
The special event station HF36POL is active from Sep 20 until Nov 6 to celebrate the departure of the 36th Polish Antarctic Expedition to the Henryk Arctowski station (WAP POL-01) in Antarctica. The expedition leaves Gdynia onboard the MV Polar Pioneer and is expected to arrive at Admiralty Bay on King George Island (AN-010, WFF SPFF-024, WLOTA 0312) to begin their research around Nov 6. The Director of the department of Antarctic Biology of the Polish Academy of Sciences in Warsaw and the president of the Polish Amateur Radio Union (PZK) invites everybody to

make the "Arctowski Antarctic Award". QSL via SP9YI.

SV5, DODECANESE, EU-001
Villy,SV5/LA4GY, is going to hit the airwaves in CW, SSB and digital
modes on 40m-6m from the island of Rhodos (IOTA EU-001, GIOTA DKS-006,
MIA MGD-028, WLOTA 0045) between Sep 25 and Oct 10. He will use a
Yaesu FT817ND with longwire and and Buddistick.
QSL via bureau or direct to his homecall.

SV9, CRETE, EU-015
Uli,SV9/DJ9XB, will be active in RTTY only from Crete (EU-015) from
Sep 22-30. During the CQWW RTTY Contest he will sign J49XB.
QSL via homecall.

YA, AFGHANISTAN
Branko,9A3PM, is working as T6BP from Kabul airport until April 2012.
Branko is member of the Croatian army and his amateur radio activities
will take place in CW and digitalen modes on HF during his spare time.
QSL via 9A6AA.

YJ, VANUATU
Ben,N6MUF/DJ0YI (YJ0ABP), and Tom,NQ7R (YJ0ANR), will be QRV from
Vanuatu between Sep 26 and Oct 14.
QSLs for YJ0ABP via DJ0YI, YJ0ANR via NQ7R.

V5, NAMIBIA
Alfons,DJ8VC, took part in severla FDs (2007-2009 and 2011) as V55V.
QSL via homecall.

VP9, BERMUDA ISLANDS, NA-005
Jamie,WW3S, and Ray,ND8L, will sign VP9I from the QTH of VP9GE in
Bailey's Bay on Bermuda (NA-005, Loc. FM72pi) in the CQWW RTTY Contest.
QSL via N1HRA.
They will use the calls VP9/WW3S and VP9/ND8L outside the contest.
QSL via LoTW or with SASE direct to their homecalls.

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Sep 24/25: CQ World Wide RTTY Contest
Sep 24/25: Greek Telegraphy Club CW Cup, info via: sv5dk@rho.forthnet.gr

IOTA collected by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
EU-064, F, Pays de la Loire Region group: TM33LDX will be active from the
33rd annual meeting of the Clipperton DX Club in Noirmoutier on
Sep 23/24. QSL via F5CWU (bureau/direct).

EU-078, EA3, Gerona Province group: Manel,EA3EGB/p, will be QRV in SSB, RTTY
and PSK31 on 80m-10m from Meda Petita (DIE-E-043, WFF EAFF-189) on
Sep 24/25. QSL via EA3EGB (bureau/direct).

EU-131, I*3, Veneto Region group: Depending on the weather the Extreme DX &
Contest Group plans to show up as IL3A mainly on 15m, 20m and 40m from
Lido Island (IIA VE-032) on Sep 24. QSL via IK3HHX.

EU-136, 9A, Kvarner group: Dusan,S52DG, plans to become active as 9A/S52DG/p
from Krk Island (CI-046) working in SSB/CW on 160m-10m from Sep 22-25.
QSL via homecall (bureau/direct).

EU-172, OZ, Jylland east and Fyn group: Peter,OZ/DL4AMK, Dieter,OZ/DK1AW,
Mario,OZ/DL5ASE, Heiko,OZ/DG0OGM, and Lutz,OZ/DL3ARK, are going to hit
the airwaves from the Danish Island Helnaes (DIA FY-24) in SSB/CW/RTTY/
BPSK on 160-10m. They will also activate the lighthouse (ARLHS DEN-015,
NEW: WLOTA 3159) between Sep 24 and Oct 1. QSLs via homecalls.

NA-137, W1, Mayne State West group: Wayne,K9YNF/1, will be active from
Peaks Island from Sep 25-30. Wayne prefers to work in SSB on 14260 kHz
and 18128 kHz (+/- QRM) and in PSK31 on 14070.15 kHz. QSL via K9YNF.
Skeds can be arranged via e-mail to: wayne@longshortstories.com

Bandspots of the last 7 days

160m
4W6A 1.823 1737Z via M0URX (B), OQRS

40m
V55V 7.131 2019Z via DJ8VC (B)

30m
EN1IFF 10.106 1548Z URFF-090, via UR3IBV
SP5FHF 10.116 1630Z SPFF-477
ZA/OK1MBZ 10.118 0603Z via OK1MBZ (B)

20m
A6/DL9WVM 14.011 1732Z (B)
BX4AD 14.014 1615Z
CF2SG/p 14.063 1939Z SOTA VE2/QC-029
CN2JV 14.061 1830Z (d): QRZ.com
CT3HF 14.285 1654Z AF-014, (B)
IS0/DL8JJ/m 14.010 1847Z EU-024, via HC (B), (L)
NE1SJ 14.064 1741Z SOTA W1/CR001
R3GD/p 14.044 1515Z
SV5/DJ5AA 14.014 0641Z EU-001, via DJ5AA (B)
SV9/WB2GAI 14.014 0718Z via WB2GAI (B)
SV0XCC/9 14.016 0621Z EU-015
UN9LFF 14.025 0538Z via LZ1YE (d)
UT4FB/A 14.014 1627Z (WFF-44?) via UX0FY
V85SS 14.005 1620Z (d)
VK2IR 14.285 0633Z QRZ.com
W4EON 14.285 1836Z SOTA W4/SH-006
YV7/DL3JH 14.340 1955Z SA-012, via DL3JH (B)

7X2ARA 14.002 1520Z (B)
8J1RL 14.005 1738Z via JA bureau
8P6EX 14.164 1946Z (d)

17m
CT9/DJ8OG 18.140 1544Z via DJ8OG (B)
T6JC 18.078 0904Z (L), (d) QRZ.com
T88TO 18.086 1637Z via JA8CMC
WP4CTD 18.130 1550Z
7X2ARA 18.070 0831Z (B)

15m
A6/DL9WVM 21.005 0634Z via DL9WVM (B)
NE1SJ 21.062 1755Z SOTA W1/CR-001
OX4OK 21.266 1527Z via OK1JST
PY3OZ 21.022 1623Z (B, L)
SU1SK 21.015 1710Z via SM5AQD (d)
V85TL 21.023 1527Z (d)
5B50J 21.014 1520Z via 5B4AHJ (B), (L)
5N7M 21.010 1510Z via OM3CGN (B)
8R1Z 21.305 2026Z QRZ.com
8S0W 21.033 1552Z EU-084, via SM0NJO (B), (L)

12m
5N7M 24.890 0910Z via OM3CGN (B)

10m
CT3/DL6MFE 28.455 1944Z via DL6MFE (B)
FG4NN 28.430 1928Z via NI5DX
HC7AE 28.455 1938Z via EA7FTR
HK1T 28.430 1934Z via EA5KB (d), (L)
PU2WDX 28.441 1903Z (d)

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(L) = LoTW
(r) = bureau QSL via e-mail request

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

27Sep-10Oct 3D2R 1746 *
-Dec 3Y8XSA 1700/1717
Sep 3 Z25ZJP 1745
16Sep-26Sep 4W6A 1745
22Sep-29Sep 5C2P.. 1746 *
-31Sep 3Z176DORR 1744
-25Oct 5B50J 1700
-Apr/12 5Z4RH ? 1674

24Sep-25Sep 6Y6U 1746 *
01Oct/02Oct 6Y6U 1746 *

14Sep-26Sep 7P8EME.. 1745
15Sep-22Sep 7P8JK.. 1745
16Sep-03Oct 7Q7CE 1745
-23Nov 7Q7HB 1717/1743
-30Nov 8J1MORSE.. 1731
24Sep/25Sep 9A/S52DG/p 1746 *
-31Dec 9A11P 1723
-21Nov 9A20V 1743
06Sep-27Sep 9H3IP 1745
-Sep 9J2KK 1682
-2012 9J2RI 1739/1742
NOW 9M2/KM9D 1731
LONG TERM 9N1FE 1740
SOON 9Q1EK 1669
-Nov 9Q6CC 1699
-25Sep 9U7T 1742

-? A35CT 1741
UNKNOWN 9U7T 1742
-31Dec BP100 1684
-31Dec BV100 1684/1746 *
16Sep-19Oct CE2/CX1EK 1746 *
-31Dec CW5RV 1711
-30Sep DR16BENE 1741
24Sep/25Sep EA3EGB/p 1746 *
24Sep-29Sep FP/G3ZAY 1746 *
-Jul/12 FR8NE 1710
24Sep/25Sep GB0TLR 1746 *
-31Dec HB60LU 1711
20Sep-06Nov HF36POL 1746 *
-31Dec HG15IPA 1724
01Jan-31Dec HG200LST 1708
Sep -2013 HI3/KL7JR 1745
24Sep/25Sep HK1NA 1746 *
06Sep-16Nov HK3JCL 1743
NOW HL2/KC6STQ 1746 *

14Sep-22Sep IA5/DL3NBI 1745
01Jan-31Dec IA7MM 1708
01Jan-31Dec II1ITA.. 1708
-31Dec II4LXV 1742
24Sep IL3A 1746 *
01Mar-30Sep IO4UI 1717
27Aug-02Oct IR2LV 1742
-2012 J28FJ 1739
-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul/12 J28RO 1683
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
-Oct JG8NQJ/JD1 (M) 1739

01Sep-30Sep K3GV/VY2 1743
25Sep-30Sep K9YNF/1 1746 *
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
-May/12 KH4/W5FJG 1728
POSTPONED KH5 1674/1705/1741
-31Dec LA200D 1713
24Sep/25Sep LX7I 1746 *
22Sep-25Sep LX8M 1745
-31Dec LZ85R 1721
27Sep/28Sep MM0RAI/p 1745
01Sep-30Sep OE2XXM 1743
01Sep-30Sep OE5XXM 1743
19Sep-27Sep OJ0J 1745
19Sep-08Oct OJ0X 1746 *
16Sep-26Sep OX4OK.. 1745
12Sep-24Sep OZ0JAV 1745
24Sep-01Oct OZ/DL4AMK.. 1746 *
-Mar/12 P29FR 1742

01Sep-25Sep PA11WSF 1743
01Jan-31Dec PA30.. 1708
30Sep-01Oct PG6MILL 1742
01Sep-30Nov R300ML 1743
18Sep-15Oct PZ5LP 1664/1746 *
-Dec RI1ANC 1708
SOON RI1F/UA1PBA 1740
-Sep/12 RI1FJA 1741
-Sep/12 RI1FJM 1741

-30Nov S550ACP 1745
NOW ST2AR 1745
01Sep-30Nov SU/HA3JB 1743
25Sep-10Oct SV5/LA4GY 1746 *
22Sep-30Sep SV9/DJ9XB.. 1746 *
15Sep-24Sep SV9/LZ3FN 1745
29Aug-30Sep SV9/WB2GAI/p 1743
28Sep-26Oct T32C 1740
-Nov T5/TA1AMC 1745
-Apr/12 T6BP 1746 *
-Nov T6FR 1742
-Jun/12 T6MO 1733
-Nov T6SH 1734
18Sep-28Sep T8XX.. 1745
18Sep-30Sep TK/DF6ZY 1745
10Sep-24Sep TK/F4FRL 1744
10Sep-24Sep TK/F5RBB 1744
-24Sep TM33LDX 1745/1746 *
23Sep/24Sep TP50CE 1746 *

-Dec VK0BFG 1741
-Mar/12 VK0KEV (Macq) 1700/1701
24Sep/25Sep VP9I 1746 *

17Sep-04Oct W1UE/6Y5 1746 *
08Sep-30Sep W2WTC 1745
20Sep-30Sep W6HGF/KH0 1745
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
-14Nov XF1/K5ENS 1739
NOW XT2RJA 1712
26Sep-14Oct YJ0ABP.. 1746 *
-Sep ZC4MIS 1732
-Sep ZD9GI 1691
19Aug-31Oct ZL4RUGBY 1741
-31Dec ZL50GH 1711
-Oct ZL6RWC 1744
-2012 ? ZS6KX/7 1740

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

A6/DL9WVM via DL9WVM
A71A via A71AN
BY1TTY via BD1LLB
CE2/CX1EK via L. Matho (d)
CE4CT via EA5KB (B)
CN2UM via EA5UM (B)
CN8QY/p via I8LWL (d)
EG5RCB via EA5RCB (d)
EG7FFM via EA7DK
EX2F via RW6HS (d)
GB0TLR via M0XDS (B)
HF36POL via SP9YI (B)
HL2/KC6STQ via KC6STQ (d)
IK2/DF5DN via DF5DN (B)
IL3A via IK3HHX
J49XB via DJ9XB (B)
LR9D via LU9ESD (L), (d)
LY37E via LY3NX
LX7I via LX2A
LZ220SM via LZ3SM (B)
N0S via AB0S
N3U via W3PN (B)
NN1X via JG3JLC (B)
OE50EFA via OE5HFM (B)
OG5N via OH1CQ
OH5/DJ9DZ via DJ9DZ (B), eQSL
OJ0X via OH2BH (B)
OZ/DL1EBR via DL1EBR (B)
OZ30EU via OZ8IE
OZ8BV via HB9DUY
P29ZL via W1YRC
PA175NYV via PA3CWG

PA30LOU via PA0LOU (B)
PI65ALK via PI4ALK (B)
PJ2/DL1THM via DL1THM (B)
PP2/DL3SEZ via DL3SEZ (B)
PP5NZ via PU5AAD (B), (L)
PP8ZAC via PY4KL (d)
PR2B via PY2BW (B)
PT2CM via PR7JP
PT5T via K3IRV (B)
PZ5LP via PA1LP (B), (L)
R10RTRS/9 via R7AA (B)
R116MW via UA3UDX
R300ML via RN1ON (B)
R650FN via UA4FU
RI1ANC via RN1ON (B)
S550ACP via S59ACP (B)
SN0PGEA via SP2KCQ (B)
SN0W via SP2KDS (B)
SN10WTC via SP7PKI
SO1EKO/p via DL1EKO (B)
ST2AR via S53R (d)
SV0GU via DL4SV (B)
SV5/DL2DXA via DL2DXA (B)
SV5/G2JL via G2JL
SV5/LA4GY via LA4GY (B), (L)
SV8/OE3GSA/mm via OE3GSA
SV8/PA1FJ/p via PA1FJ (B)
SV9/DJ9XB via DJ9XB (B)
SV9/DL1TX via DL1TX (B)
SV9/LZ3FN via LZ3FN (B)
SV9/WB2GAI via WB2GAI (B)
TP50CE via F5LGF
T5/TA1AMC via TA1AMC (B) (digital: eQSL)
T6BP via 9A6AA
T8XX via DL5AXX (B)
T80W via JM1LJS (B)
T88GO via JA8FAA
T88TO via JA8CMC
T88UE via DL5AXX (B)
TA4/RZ3DJ via RZ3DJ (B)
TF/SM7RYR/p via SM7RYR (d)
TI4CF via W3HNK (d)
TK5UX via F5MUX (B)
TK/IK2WZM via IK2WZM (B)
TK/IW5ELA via IW5ELA (B)
TM1MAD via F5KLJ (B)
TM2GRF via F8BUO (B)
TM33LDX via F5CWU (B), (L)
TM44FF via F bureau (only)
TM6M via F4DXW (B)

TM7FDM via F5MSS (B)
TM95BV via F6KUP (B) / F5LPY (d)
TR8CA via F6CBC (d)
TX8DD via LZ1JZ (B)
TX8GN via FK8GN (B)
TX8KA via FK8HA
UF6VG via R3DO
UK8IWA via RW6HS (d)
UM8LA via RW3RN (B)
UN1O via IK2QPR (B)
UN5J via W3HNK (d)
UN9GD via DL8KAC (d)
UO5L via UN7LZ (B)
UT/OK1DIG/p via OK1DVM
V5/DF2UU via DF2UU (B)
V5/DF3GY via DF3GY (B)
V5/DL2GAG via DL2GAG (B)
V55C via DJ8VC (B)
V55V via DJ8VC (B)
V85TX via W3HNK (d)
W1UE/6Y5 via W1UE (d)
VE1/KA4KDZ via KA4KDZ
VK9OL via N6NO (B)
VP9/ND8L via VP9/ND8L (d), (L)
VP9/WW3S via WW3S (d), (L)
VP9I via N1HRA
W2WTC via K2HJB (B)
W6HGF/KH0 via W6HGF (d), (L)
W6P via KG0KP
YJ0ABP via DJ0YI (B), (L)
YJ0ANR via NQ7R (B)
YO/US0VA via US0VA (B), (L)
YV7/DL3JH via DL3JH (B)
ZA/G3SXW via G3SXW (B)
ZA/OK1MBZ/p via OK1MBZ (B)
ZG2FX via G3RFX (B)
ZK2AB via ZL4CZ
ZL30UGN only eQSL
ZL6RWC via ZL1VK (B), (L)
ZS9Z via ZS1OIN (d)
ZW1AS via PY1NP (B)
3D2R via YT1AD (B)
3Z25ZJP via SP6ZJP (B)
4L2M via EA7FTR
4O/LB9N via LB9N
4W6A via M0URX (B), for OQRS: http://m0urx.com/oqrs
4X0T via 4Z5FI
5C2B via IS0AGY (B)
5C2J via IK7JWX (B)
5C2L via I8LWL (B)

5C2P via IK2PZC (B), (L)
5C2SG via IZ7ATN (d)
6Y6U via W1UE (d)
8R10USA via 8R1AK (d)
9A/S52DG/p via S52DG (B)
9A/S59AA via S59AA (B)
9H3AAG via PA3BLS (B)
9H3S via PA3HGP (B)
9H3YT via PA3GUU (B)

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(*) = new QSL manager
(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) = e-mail request

QSL via LoTW: CT3HF, T6JC

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-21 01:18:33 UTC
From: "tholen@antispam.ham" <tholen@ifa.hawaii.edu>
Message-ID: <43ecc279-81df-4626-983b-555047d74bde@o15g2000vbe.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4134
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack,alt.usenet.kooks,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy

kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com> writes:

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rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack,alt.usenet.kooks,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy

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From: "tholen@antispam.ham" <tholen@ifa.hawaii.edu>
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896. Re: get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-21 02:17:38 UTC
From: % <persent@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <YZKdnTLz-YIm2uTTnZ2dnUVZ_vOdnZ2d@giganews.com>
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188> hi

What does your greeting have to do with rec.radio.amateur.misc,
alt.slack,alt.usenet.kooks,comp.os.os2.advocacy,
rec.radio.amateur.policy, persent?

"so , bye bye tholen , take care"
--persent

And some people wonder why I call them Famous Last Words.

898. Re: get kelp

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.policy
>
> 188> hi
>
> What does your greeting have to do with rec.radio.amateur.misc,
> alt.slack,alt.usenet.kooks,comp.os.os2.advocacy,
> rec.radio.amateur.policy, persent?
>
> "so , bye bye tholen , take care"
> --persent
>
> And some people wonder why I call them Famous Last Words.

thank you for adding to my post count
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899. Re: They are laughing and I mean LAUGHING at you in ScrubGenius

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-21 21:11:15 UTC
From: teh kosher ham Kaddish <kaddish@nomail.invalid>
Message-ID: <4e7a542f$0$21666$a8266bb1@newsreader.readnews.com>
Source record: 4139
Cross-posted to: alt.slack,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy

"tholen@antispam.ham" <tholen@ifa.hawaii.edu> wrote in message
news:aac5f293-606a-4f3d-9c2c-9a6cf4685f16@s7g2000yqd.googlegroups.com...
> kd8ctl <kd8ctl@iname.com> writes:
>
> 18> Newsgroups:
> alt.slack,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.pol
icy
>
> 18> while my morkins will be enjoying my excrement stew.
>
> 18> morkins loves the taste AND the smell!
>
> What does that have to do with alt.slack,rec.radio.amateur.misc,
> rec.radio.cb,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy, kd8ctl?
>
>
>
You can't taste it if you can't smell it, duh.

900. Re: get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-22 02:39:57 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <b494c37a-b708-4222-b22b-674bd1e5846e@k1g2000vbz.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4140
Cross-posted to: alt.slack,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy

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On Sep 15, 3:45 pm, kb9rqz <m...@kb9rqz.com> wrote:
> On Sep 14, 10:55 pm, kd8ctl <kd8...@iname
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901. Re: They are laughing and I mean LAUGHING at you in ScrubGenius

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-22 02:50:48 UTC
From: "tholen@antispam.ham" <tholen@ifa.hawaii.edu>
Message-ID: <8f3cfdeb-7669-42db-b3a1-b56e6a772e97@i5g2000vbw.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4141
Cross-posted to: alt.slack,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy

"teh kosher ham Kaddish" <kaddish@nomail.invalid> writes:

1> Newsgroups:
alt.slack,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.polic
y

1> You can't taste it if you can't smell it, duh.

What does your illogic have to do with alt.slack,
rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb,comp.os.os2.advocacy,
rec.radio.amateur.policy, Kaddish?

902. Re: get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-22 02:52:48 UTC
From: "tholen@antispam.ham" <tholen@ifa.hawaii.edu>
Message-ID: <746e2b89-5c24-4ab7-8d85-f9b8bb3d7883@s16g2000yqc.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4142
Cross-posted to: alt.slack,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy

kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com> writes:

487> Newsgroups:
alt.slack,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.polic
y

487> Message-ID: <b494c37a-b708-4222-
b22b-674bd1e5846e@k1g2000vbz.googlegroups.com>

What does your empty response to yourself have to do with
alt.slack,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb,comp.os.os2.advocacy,
rec.radio.amateur.policy, kb9rqz?

903. Re: get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-22 02:55:03 UTC
From: "tholen@antispam.ham" <tholen@ifa.hawaii.edu>
Message-ID: <2223599a-5a22-4787-81b4-c54356cb51c0@h11g2000vbc.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4143
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack,alt.usenet.kooks,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy

"%" <persent@gmail.com> writes:

189> Newsgroups:
rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack,alt.usenet.kooks,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy

189> thank you for adding to my post count

What does your post count have to do with rec.radio.amateur.misc,
alt.slack,alt.usenet.kooks,comp.os.os2.advocacy,
rec.radio.amateur.policy, persent?

"so , bye bye tholen , take care"
--persent

And some people wonder why I call them Famous Last Words.

904. Welcome to rec.radio.info!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-22 06:00:04 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/rec-radio-info/welcome-1-1316671201@panix.com>
Source record: 4144
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.info,rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.answers,news.answers

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/rec-radio-info/welcome
Revision: 1.4 2008/02/09 19:36:10
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

*** Welcome to rec.radio.info! ***

Welcome to rec.radio.info, a group that aims to provide a noise-free
source of information and news for the entire rec.radio hierarchy.

Two introductory articles about rec.radio.info are posted to the group
every month. You are now reading the first article, which explains what
rec.radio.info is, and answers some Frequently Asked Questions. The
second article is titled Posting Guidelines, and you only need to read
it if you want to submit an article to rec.radio.info.

You can skip to the next section of this article by searching for the
next
" -- " string. The sections available are:
- What is the purpose of rec.radio.info?
- Why are messages almost always cross posted to rec.radio.info?
- What is a 'follow-up', and what does 'moderated' mean?
- OK, so now I know what 'moderated' means. Tell me more.
- What type of material is considered inappropriate?
- I do not have access to news, how can I get the information posted to
rec.radio.info?
- Will the material appearing in rec.radio.info be archived somewhere?
- I have a regular posting with timely information, is there a way to
speed up it's delivery, or automate for more convenience?

-- What is the purpose of rec.radio.info?

The purpose or charter of rec.radio.info is to provide the Usenet
community with a resource for information, news, and facts about any and
all things radio.

All the other rec.radio groups are intended for discussions and general
chit chat about radio. Rec.radio.info will contain informational,
factual articles only. Follow-ups are redirected to an appropriate other
group, and further discussion (if any) will not take place in
rec.radio.info.
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In order to ensure that rec.radio.info contains only appropriate articles, it was decided to create the group as a moderated newsgroup.

-- Why are messages almost always cross posted to rec.radio.info?

It provides a "tag" for each article to be assembled into a filtered presentation in rec.radio.info (even with cross-posting, only one message, with a unique Message-ID, is propagated across the net). This tag also facilitates a pre-existing method of dropping or canceling the articles locally within the discussion groups if you don't want to see them. This accommodates individuals who want to separate the bulletins from the discussions, discussions from the bulletins, as well as those who are adamant about not reading another newsgroup and wanted to see everything all in one basket.

With the total size of Usenet (in number of newsgroups and total traffic) doubling every year or so, this is no insignificant contribution to reducing information noise and chaos. Making the discussion groups a catch-all, and making extra newsgroups filters on that catch-all, is also the most realistic way to implement such a scheme (It's not intuitively obvious what the charter, contents, and general appropriate topics for each and every newsgroup are. Seeing FAQ's and charter/intro postings in the home newsgroup is beneficial for new readers).

By cross-posting one only is adding a few tens of bytes to each bulletin (to specify the extra group on the Newsgroups line), but are adding the capability for very powerful filtering features available on most news servers, listservers and readers. Your local news guru could probably explain these features in more detail.

In rn, for example, according to Leanne Phillips in her rn kill-file FAQ, add a line of the form:

/Newsgroups:.*[,]rec\.radio\.info/h:j

either in ~/News/KILL (if you don't want to see rec.radio.info articles anywhere) or ~/News/rec/radio/amateur/misc/KILL (if you don't want to see them just in rec.radio.amateur.misc). The latter method means your kill file will only be consulted during rec.radio.amateur.misc (and hence runs more efficiently), and will probably work for most people.

In nn, according to Bill Wohler in his nn FAQ, add a line of the form:

rec.radio.info:!s/:^

in ~/.nn/kill (if you don't want to see rec.radio.info articles anywhere), or put the following lines:

sequence
rec.radio.info
rec.radio.

at the end of ~/.nn/init in order to see all the rec.radio.info bulletins first, then read the remaining rec.radio.* without the

bulletins.

In slrn, according to the srln FAQ, the following scoring rule will | allow you to see rec.radio.info-crossposted bulletins, while still | filtering out most SPAM or "Velveeta" crossposted to more than 2 | newsgroups (as such articles usually do not contain a 'Followup-To:' | header): |

Score: -9999 |
Newsgroups: ,.*, |
~Followup-To: . |

More information about kill files may be obtained from Dave Fawthrop's Killfile FAQ at:

http://www.hyphenologist.co.uk/killfile/

-- What is a 'follow-up', and what does 'moderated' mean?

If you are new to Usenet and are not familiar with the terminology, you might want to read the general introductory articles found in the newsgroup news.announce.newusers. Doing so will make your life on the net much easier, and will probably save you from making silly beginner's mistakes.

If you think that at this moment you are reading an echo, a conference, or a bulletin board, I'd also strongly suggest a trip over to news.announce.newusers.

For the rest of this article, we will assume you have a basic knowledge of Usenet terminology and mechanics.

A moderated group means that any article that needs to be posted to the group has to be accepted by the moderator of the group. Since we need to ensure that followups to an article (discussion) do not show up in the rec.radio.info newsgroup, the `Followup-To:' header line contains a newsgroup that is appropriate for discussions about the specific article.

-- OK, so now I know what 'moderated' means. Tell me more.

Rec.radio.info is a moderated newsgroup, which means that all articles submitted to the group will have to be approved by the moderator first.

The current moderator of the group is the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team. Submissions to rec.radio.info can be posted, or e-mailed to:

rec-radio-info@panix.com

Comments, criticisms, suggestions or questions about the group can be e-mailed to:

rec-radio-info-request@panix.com

But before you do so, please be sure to check out the "Posting Guidelines" article.

The influence of the moderator should be minimal and of an administrative nature, consisting chiefly of weeding out obviously inappropriate articles, while making sure correct headers etc. are used for the appropriate ones.

-- What type of material is considered inappropriate?

There are three broad categories of articles which will be rejected by the moderator:

1) Requests for information: rec.radio.info is strictly a one-way street. We receive information in our mailbox; we then post it to rec.radio.info. Requests for specific information belong in the normal discussion newsgroups. If your request gets answered, you might consider passing the answer on to rec.radio.info, though. Especially if you can edit it into a informational, rather than a discussion, format.

2) Obvious discussion articles, or articles that appear unsubstantiated.

3) Commercial stuff: a relatively unbiased test of a radio product would be accepted, but any hint of for-profit might be reason for rejection. For three reasons: This is not the purpose of the list, for-profit is a controversial topic, and this list may be passed onto Amateur Packet Radio (where for-profit is prohibited except under certain provisos).

rec.radio.swap may be more deserving of the posting in any matter.

Similarly, copyrighted material generally cannot be used. If it's TRULY worthwhile to the net, We would recommend obtaining permission from the copyright holder. Please note the source, and if permission was given. We reserve the right to make the final decision concerning appropriateness in all situations. In most cases, a brief summary of, or pointer to, the copyrighted information may be all we can allow.

-- I do not have access to news, how can I get the information posted to rec.radio.info?

Google has an excellent web interface to Usenet newsgroups. It is available at:

http://groups.google.com

It supports both reading and posting.

Another excellent web interface to at least the radio-related Usenet newsgroups is the RadioBanter site:

http://www.radiobanter.com

sponsored by the NewsgroupBanter project:

http://www.newsgroupbanter.com

It, too, supports both reading and posting.

-- Will the material appearing in rec.radio.info be archived somewhere?

Yes. See Google Groups and RadioBanter above.

Effectively this means that anything you post to rec.radio.info will be permanently stored, so your work will not be lost.

-- I have a regular posting with timely information, is there a way to speed up it's delivery, or automate for more convenience?

Yes, there is! It may take a bit of chatter with the moderator, but we are willing to take responsible people and provide them the means of posting the articles directly from their site. We will try everything we can as we fully realize that DX (distant signal) and astronomical data can be somewhat transitory. We are also willing to allow regular posters of information the same courtesy, even if the information is not as time critical.

We refer to this as self-moderation, which is partly based on the model for rec.answers/news.answers. This requires co-operation and goodwill to be beneficial to the community in the rec.radio hierarchy.

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms about this article to rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

(Adapted, with permission, from the original article written by Mark Salyzyn, AG4YD, ex-VE6MGS.)

905. rec.radio.info Posting Guidelines

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-22 06:05:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/rec-radio-info/guidelines-1-1316671500@panix.com>
Source record: 4145
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.info,rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.answers,news.answers

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/rec-radio-info/guidelines
Revision: 1.5 2007/03/22 16:30:49
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

*** rec.radio.info - Posting Guidelines and Etiquette ***

Two introductory articles about rec.radio.info are posted to this group
and to rec.answers/news.answers every month. You are now reading the
second article, which explains how to submit something to
rec.radio.info, and which answers some Frequently Asked Questions about
the submission process. The first article is titled "Welcome to
rec.radio.info", and it might be a good idea to check it out as well.

-- How do I submit something to rec.radio.info?

Two possibilities. You can use your newsreading software to just post
the article to rec.radio.info, as you would do with any other
newsgroup. The difference is that the software recognizes the special
status of rec.radio.info as a moderated group, and will e-mail your
article to us, the moderation team, instead of posting it to the group.

Alternatively, you can mail your article directly to us at the following
address:

rec-radio-info@panix.com

Mailing us directly is probably (a wee bit) faster, but using the
transparency offered by the newsreading software is probably more
convenient.

If you have any questions, or wish to deal with some administrivia with
the moderation team, we suggest mailing to the following address:

rec-radio-info-request@panix.com

-- How soon will I see my article appear?

It depends on how busy we are. Your article reaches us as mail, we have
to read it first, give it the stamp of approval, and finally send it on
to the group. We will attempt to read and decide on all submissions
within 72 hours at the very least, though we will probably be able to
process submissions much faster in actual practice.
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The site from which we moderate this newsgroup, "Public Access Internet and Unix, NYC" (Panix), is directly connected to the Internet, and articles posted at that site should appear at most major news sites, including Google Groups, the same day. The principal delay, therefore, will be the wait in the moderator's submission queue.

If you post a periodic article, and have shown to be trustworthy, we may allow you to post directly if the article is of a timely nature. See the section below on direct posting.

-- Should my article be in a specific format?

No. If it is not totally illegible, we will accept it, and if it does not have a correct subject-line we will correct it with your permission -- that's what a moderator is for.

However.

You could do us a big favor by making sure your article conforms to these simple requirements:

1) The article must present information, not discussion or requests, We will reject the article or require you to change the wording if it is worth it.
2) A good, descriptive Subject line.
3) Always mention what source you got the information from.
4) Don't forget to include a Followup-To header, at least if you don't want further discussion to automatically be forwarded to you, the poster, which is the default if the article is only posted to rec.radio.info.

As we said: if your article is appropriate we will post it even if you don't follow these guidelines, but then don't blame us for not processing it immediately. 'Perfect' articles we can send on with a couple of keystrokes. Stuff that needs minor editing is going to have to wait until we have time to do so.

Please do not waste both our and your time by posting requests, as this is an information only news group.

-- What about crossposting?

If you send something to rec.radio.info, just name any group you'd like to cross-post to in the Newsgroups field. Then, when we approve the article for rec.radio.info it will get automatically cross-posted to any other groups mentioned. This will also override the default Followup-To: poster, replacing it with the groups you cross posted to.

We would prefer if the group be cross-posted to the various discussion groups in the rec.radio.* hierarchy that are appropriate:

rec.radio.amateur.misc Amateur (ham) radio and related matters
rec.radio.amateur.packet Amateur Packet Radio discussions
rec.radio.amateur.policy Amateur Radio practices, rules, etc.
rec.radio.noncomm Non commercial radio discussions

rec.radio.shortwave International broadcasting on the 'HF' bands
rec.radio.cb Citizens Band (27 MHz) discussion
rec.radio.scanner Scanner discussions (unsupported group)

or in one of the moderated groups:

rec.radio.amateur.moderated Amateur radio practices, rules, etc.
rec.radio.broadcasting Discussion of *domestic* radio broadcasting

We will leave it up to the poster to decide which group(s) are appropriate, but reserve the right to add groups if we feel it has broader interest. We will consult with the poster first.

Notes on crossposting:

- rec.radio.broadcasting is also a moderated group. The rec.radio.broadcasting moderator prefers to review all articles himself before posting. Placing rec.radio.broadcasting before rec.radio.info on the Newsgroups line should accomplish this. We will typically abide by the rec.radio.broadcasting moderator's decision whether the article is appropriate for rec.radio.info.

- rec.radio.amateur.moderated is also a moderated group. As the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team manages both rec.radio.amateur.moderated and rec.radio.info, we can manage crossposting and approvals for both newsgroups. The rec.radio.amateur.moderated group does not allow crossposting to other discussion newsgroups, whether moderated or unmoderated. However, we would like to manage rec.radio.info as consistently as possible with how it was done by previous moderators, including the grandfathering of existing regular postings. Therefore, the submitter can choose rec.radio.amateur.moderated or the other unmoderated rec.radio.amateur.* discussion newsgroups for crossposting, but not both.

- Any FAQ or informational posting approved by the rec.answers/news.answers moderation team that is also crossposted to any rec.radio.* newsgroup (besides just rec.radio.info) is also automatically pre-approved for rec.radio.info. See below for more information.

If you post to another moderated group, it may be better to make special arrangements with both moderators before posting by contacting us at our administrivia addresses.

In addition, cross-posts do not take up extra space; modern newsreaders can be configured to show you cross-posted articles only once anyway; not everybody reads rec.radio.info; and rec.radio.info was never meant to reduce the volume of the regular discussion newsgroups. But keep in mind that some of the mail gateways may filter out the informational postings (at request of the subscribers) to keep the load down.

You decide.

-- I have a regular posting with timely information, can I make arrangements to help speed up delivery by posting directly from my site?

Yes, there is! It may take a bit of chatter with the moderator, but we are willing to take responsible people and provide them the means of posting the articles directly from their site. We will try everything we can as we fully realize that DX (distant signal) and astronomical data can be somewhat transitory. We are also willing to allow regular posters of information the same courtesy, even if the information is not as timely.

We refer to this as self-moderation, which is partly based on the model for rec.answers/news.answers. This requires cooperation and good will to be beneficial to the community in the rec.radio.* hierarchy.

If you are currently maintaining (or plan to maintain) a radio-related periodic information posting, you may wish to consider crossposting it to rec.answers/news.answers. Postings that are approved by the rec.answers/news.answers moderators for this treatment are automatically pre-approved for crossposting to rec.radio.info (as the news.answers requirements are far more rigorous than the requirements this newsgroup ever plans to use). For more information about this option, consult the appropriate information articles and posting guidelines in rec.answers/news.answers.

Realize also, that even if your post is not approved for rec.answers/news.answers, it can still be approved for rec.radio.info. The intention is not so much to get every last bit of radio-related information on rec.answers/news.answers, but rather to provide an alternative avenue of approval (as well as grandfather existing maintainers of radio-related information and spare them additional bureaucratic hurdles). Again, crossposting to either rec.radio.info or rec.answers/news.answers, both, or neither, is at the discretion of the poster (subject to the approval of the moderators). You decide what is most appropriate for your article.

Please remember that as an information maintainer, you are not alone. There are many others on the net who maintain and post periodic information postings, using various intermediate-to-advanced features of Usenet (usually via automated tools). Various degrees of technical support and general hand-holding are available from many Usenet veterans. Send us some E-mail describing your needs to our administrative address below, and we'll try to help, or at least refer you to the right knowledgeable individual(s).

-- And Follow-ups?

If the only newsgroup you have specified is rec.radio.info, then the Followup-To: field will always be set to poster. If you do not want this, you must supply a Followup-To line of your own, and we will honor that one, as long as it is a subset of the original Newsgroups line.

If you specify newsgroups to cross-post to, then the Followup-To field will be set to include all the cross-posted groups, excepting rec.radio.info itself. Again, if you do not wish this behavior, supply your own Followup-To line.

We maintain other standards on the various RFC-1036 (news transport) header lines. For example, if the article is appropriate for passing into the Packet Radio Information Network, we encapsulate the Packet Bulletin Identifier (BID) in the Message-ID: news header line indicating the machine of origin as the ampr.org domain:

Message-ID: <$opa.55.1994@ampr.org> |

where the Packet Radio BID, in this example, is `$OPA.55', and it was posted in the year 1994, because some of the Bid numbers are cycled yearly. Hopefully, this can be used as a key to re-introduce the articles for the Packet Radio network. Also, if the article is a repost of an already existing information article in the rec.radio heirarchy, we ensure that the References: header line is linked to that previously posted article. This also helps to tag articles, and may be used for additional filtering if needed.

Since the articles are archived, please use the Summary and Keywords header lines to help one search for your article.

-- Why have I received no reply from you?

We never reject anything in silence, and we make a point of it to answer all our mail. However, E-mail, like a brain cell, can and does get lost, every now and again.

So, if you send us something, and you don't see it appear it rec.radio.info, and you still have not heard from us in reply after say, five days, you can be pretty sure that either your mail never reached us, or that our answer has never reached you. In that case, please try again (We will filter out duplicates).

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms about this article to rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

(Adapted, with permission, from the original article written by Mark Salyzyn, AG4YD, ex-VE6MGS.)

906. WIANEWS for WEEK COMMENCING SEPTEMBER 25 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-22 20:05:59 UTC
From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
Message-ID: <0027fc64-b067-4803-8480-740b6a5e3e93@smxsrv01.vintek.net>
Source record: 4146
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2011-09-25.mp3
Text edition:

WIANEWS - SEP 25 - VK NATIONAL NEWS

THE BEST NEWS YOU'LL GET ALL WEEK

Oh... and to contact us with your news because
If It Matters To You It Matters To Us!

Email nationalnews@wia.org.au

http://www.wia.org.au (click news in member area) Submit your audio news

TWITTER http://twitter.com/VK1WIA

Please.. If you are only submitting text and not audio, write your story as
you would expect to hear it being read back and NEVER send just links &
url's.

WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING SEPTEMBER 25 2011 THE EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE
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Plan to revive 1970s UK satellite on 137.560 MHz

40 years ago, the United Kingdom's first satellite, launched on a UK-built
rocket, went into space. Now a team from the Mullard Space Science Laboratory
in Surrey are attempting to revive it.

The Prospero spacecraft was launched by a Black Arrow rocket on October 28,
'71 from Woomera here in VK carrying a series of experiments to investigate
the effects of the space environment. The satellite operated successfully
until 1973 and was contacted annually until 1996. Its beacon on 137.560 MHz
was last heard by Amateurs in 2006.

BBC Prospero story and pics at
http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/science-environment-14783135

Prospero real-time orbital tracking page
http://www.vk3ukf.com/Space/GadgetSatProspero.htm

Audio recordings of the 0.3 watt phase modulated signal with PCM at
2048 bit/s from Prospero on 137.560 MHz can be heard on the Sounds from Space
website of Matthias Bopp DD1US

http://www.dd1us.de/spacesounds%204.html

Check out Amateur Radio magazine for many great articles including details on what may very well be the bet WIA AGM ever being held at Mildura. Already prices and activities are announced!

The DX page by VK4OQ is a great companion to keep in the shack rather than myriads of OS dx newsletters.

Arguably the best written article in Octobers AR magazine is penned by the new Ipswich AR Club President VK4MIA Derek who DEFINITELY DID NOT miss anyone in action with that clubs activation of VI4FI Sandy Cape light on Frazer Island.

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Code of Conduct

Many organizations have a code of conduct. As far as I can tell the Wireless Institute of Australia doesn't have one as such. We do have a Corporate Ethics document, which is more about how the organisation will behave when engaged in business with another organisation.

We do not appear, however, to have one of those one-page instruments with a list of behaviours or qualities that mark a good Amateur Radio Operators.

There are a few versions of an Amateur Radio Code of Conduct floating around the Internet, however the ones that I have seen are a bit too wordy to discuss here in detail.

Perhaps the Board could develop such a document, time will tell.

In the meantime, what would such a Code of Conduct require of us?
I can readily think of three main headings. There may be more, however I will discuss three.

Firstly, we must show respect to one another, for all the meanings of respect that we can think of - we must show respect for individual's background, disabilities, religion, political and sexual orientation etc etc - there are many aspects of respect that we ought to consider. We ought especially to show respect when we communicate, be it on air, online, by email or on the phone.

We must keep the good name of Amateur Radio intact. Our behaviour on air both in how we express ourselves and how we relate to others is very much on show everyone is listening, and judgements will be made depending on what is heard.

We must act lawfully in line with the Legislation and regulations that we are subject to, both under our licenses and as citizens.

So with only three headings we have it covered - we should be acting respectfully toward each other, we have the good name of our hobby to uphold, and we have legal obligations to be good boys and girls when using our toys.

That's it really. I can't conclude, however, without saying that the vast majority of people that I have interacted with or heard on air are doing those things. We all, however, need to be aware of what a Code of Conduct requires of us, and we need to remind ourselves to take it on board.

I'm Bob VK6POP, Director of the Wireless Institute of Australia Board.

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news
Email Address : r_demkiw@yahoo.com.au

The Oxley Region Amateur Radio Club is celebrating its 40th birthday with an Anniversary Lunch at the Port Macquarie Golf Club at 12 noon on Sunday the 2nd of October. Visitors and their families are welcome. All amateur radio operators who attend will receive an attractive commemorative certificate.

For more details please visit the club's website
http://www.orarc.org/

Or VK2ZHE on mobile phone number 0427 947 921.

VK4 - QNEWS
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Welcome to QNEWS from VK4WIA. I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP, and I've been thinking.

When we come to choosing those who will manage our club affairs, it is necessary to find people we can trust.

It was May last I mentioned this...and it's not surprising others have been addressing these issues. Writing in
WorldRadio Online, last May,

Dave Hayes, VE3JX, looks over these qualities, as
viewed by the QCWA - that's the US Quarter Century association not the local ladies in VK4.

http://www.worldradiomagazine.com/

Knowledge of the area, such as finances for the treasurer, common sense and humility are some of the qualities which are examined. This is a practical set of criteria used by a large body with local to national structures. At the local level, clubs are often faced with the struggle to maintain membership and can really be challenged at finding active members who volunteer for club positions.

None the less, I believe it is important that we all think over these ideas.

We may not be available to fill a role for our club but we may have a say in electing some-one who will. If we are clear in our own minds of the qualities we value, it will be that much easier to make our vote count.

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think....how about you?

Congratulations go out to Myron Allen, who has just attained callsign VK4FHAA following successful completion of the Foundation Assessment in Townsville during August.

Watch out for Myron on the HF Bands as he experiments with various NVIS setups.

Hello again from Doug Friend VK4OE from the Brisbane VHF Group.

Concerning the forthcoming two microwave activity events being organised by the Group, here are some more details of the "test and tune" day that's TODAY Sunday the 25th of September at Rob Bathgate VK4ZDX's place, 53 Arrol Street, Camp Hill.

Commencement time should be around 10:00 a.m. and we are willing to continue through to approximately 4:00 p.m. depending on demand.

Services available are:

Power measurement (nW to +++Watts) to 50 GHz

Return loss measurements to 26 GHz

Signal generators to 18 GHz

Spectrum analysis to 50 GHz

Minimum discernable received signal level assessment to 18 GHz

Automatic noise figure and gain measurement to 1.9 GHz, and possibly higher(?)

And all this in the presence of interested and helpful amateurs willing to try and solve 'challenges that may emerge'!

All microwave-interested amateurs and friends are welcome to be present and, weather wise, the event will happen "rain, hail or shine". Regarding food, it is not the Group's intention to provide meals but simple drinks will be available.

The BVHFG looks forward to meeting whoever will come. If you've not done so already and in order for the Group to plan appropriately, please contact me by e-mail (QRZ correct) or by phone to say that you'll be coming and approximately when.

This has been Doug Friend, VK4OE, from the Brisbane VHF Group.

VK5

Good morning this is David VK5KC with notes from the Adelaide Hills amateur Radio Society.

September has been a big month for the Club. Saturday September 3rd was the official opening of the club Shack. This is a fully renovated building on the property of the Blackwood Guide Hall.

The following Weekend 9 people attended a training course held at the Shack. All were successful, with 7 new Foundation licences and 2 Standard. Congratulations all and thanks to Sasi, Barry, Paul and Kevin for their work.

Thursday the 15th at the regular meeting, Barry VK5BW demonstrated his Vector Analyser Unit. Barry made it from a kit and demonstrated SWR, Filter properties and the sharpness of a loop antenna.

Saturday 17th a joint gathering with the North East Radio Club saw surplus computer power supplies modified to 13.5 volts high current operation. Yesterday many members joined in for a breakfast at the Shack, this will become a regular event on the last Saturday of the month.

Finally a reminder of the Annual Buy and Sell on Sunday November 20th, see www.ahars.com.au

DISCUSSION POINT

What use is an f-call?

Over the past few weeks I've been encouraging you to listen to the news, to get on-air and participate. It's easy enough for me to say, but I can understand that it might not be so simple for you to actually achieve.

Imagine for a moment that you have at least got the pre-requisites, that is, you have a license, you have a radio, antenna, power-supply, it's all plugged in and when you move the dial, you can hear stations. I realise that this assumes a whole lot of things which might not yet be true, but bear with me, I'm trying to make a point.

Imagine if you will, that you have your microphone
in your hand - or on your desk, and your finger is hovering over the magic Push To Talk button.

Now what?

What do you say?

Whom do you say it to?

How will you know it worked?

The simplest way to start is to jump in and get your feet wet, but I know that might be a little daunting for you, so instead, why not tune to a station and see what's happening?

Last week I was introduced to the 7130 dx net by another
amateur. At the time we were sitting on the ocean with our respective radios tuning to see what was around and he suggested tuning to 7.130 MHz There was

a whole group of people talking and at first it was quite confusing.

After a little while some structure started appearing and I could begin to understand what was happening - in short, people from around the globe all tuned to the same frequency at the same time with the single purpose of talking to each other.
You might want to have a look at their website which explains in great detail what it is and how it works. The web-address is www.7130dx.net and the net runs Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 0930UTC on 7.130 MHz.

Why am I telling you about this? What's the point?

It's simple, you need to understand the lingo to be able to speak the lingo. Just like speaking Italian in a room full of Japanese is not a good way to communicate, speaking without knowing the words on an Amateur Radio band is a challenge.

Finally a tip, learn your phonetic alphabet! Use it to read out number plates in the car, read out street signs, recite the alphabet, use it, that is, Uniform Sierra Echo India Tango!

Go forth and charlie oscar mike mike uniform november india charlie alpha tango echo, I say again, charlie oscar mike mike uniform november india charlie alpha tango echo.

I'm Onno, vk6flab

HOME OF THE GOOD GUYS

George Sturgess VK4WQ awarded Honorary Ambulance Officer of the Year

This is awarded to an Honorary Ambulance Officer who has made a significant contribution to QAS and has worked cooperatively to support Paramedics.

George Sturgess VK4WQ has been a Volunteer Driver with Jandowae QAS since 2008.

George's volunteer driving contribution allows the Jandowae QAS officers to spend quality time with their patients and provide timely transport to medical facilities.

George always shows professionalism and is respectful of patient confidentiality when assisting the Jandowae Officers.

George's knowledge of local areas has enabled him to construct detailed mapping of the Jandowae QAS catchment area.

George's willingness to go the extra distance to serve patients and the QAS is the reason he has been nominated and awarded the Honorary Ambulance Officer of the Year Award for 2011 for the South Western Region.

CONGRATULATIONS VK4WQ - ONE OF THE GOOD GUYS.

SILENT KEY

Last Monday Bob Bristow VK6POP attended a memorial service for Peter Hughes, VK6HU. Peter passed away several days earlier after a long illness. He was almost 83 years old.

Peter joined Scouts at the age of 11, and remained a member until his death. He achieved the Kings Scout award, and several other service and good conduct awards as an adult.

Peter held several positions in Scouting, and attended National and International events.

Life changed for Peter when he was appointed JOTA organizer for Western Australia in 1969. Some two years later, having realized that he really should take a look at Amateur Radio, Peter, after a year of study, got his license and gained the callsign VK6HU.

Peter filled the role of JOTA Organiser for Western Australia for 16 years. >From the beginning of 1985, Peter was appointed JOTA organizer for Scouts Australia. He held this role for eleven years.

During his time as State and National JOTA organizer, Peter coordinated or participated in the Amateur Radio and Electronics activities at Jamborees and other major Scout events.

In 1980, Peter was named W.A. Amateur of the year by the WIA VK6 Division.

During JOTA 2007, the Radio Scouting headquarters in Perth was named "The Peter Hughes Scout Communication Centre" in recognition of his considerable contribution to Amateur Radio in Scouting, Peter told me that he was deeply honoured by this recognition by his peers.

The funeral service was a joyous celebration of a life filled with achievements, giving of himself to his community, and a loving husband and father. Peter, being the super organized person he was, orchestrated a good part of his funeral service, and as his two sons and daughter read Peter's script of his life, we laughed and reflected on this man who we loved and respected.

73 Peter Hughes, VK6HU, silent key.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART and the WW sources of the WIA.

HF Band Plan

A revised IARU Region 1 HF Band Plan has been published.

The changes are minor, and affect 40 metres and 10 metres only.

On 40 metres, the CW contest-preferred segment of 7000 to 7025 kHz has been withdrawn; this means in practice that CW contests on 40 metres are no longer confined to the first 25 kHz segment. There have also been changes to the FM part of 10 metres, with adjustments to the simplex channels and the addition of four new repeater channels.

See www.irts.ie/downloads for a copy of the new Band Plan, which includes notes detailing the changes.

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

LA CELL PHONE TICKET GIVEN TO HAM OPERATING 2 METER MOBILE

A California ham has been cited for operating mobile using a 2 meter radio installed in his car and this could become a test case to find out whether the restrictive anti-cell phone law can be used against other two-way radio users.

According to a note from Dick McKay, K6VGP, a member of the Disaster Amateur Radio Network identified as Irving Osser, KE6YR, received a ticket for using his amateur 2 meter radio in his car. According to McKay, the Los Angeles motorcycle officer stated that he saw Osser on his cell phone. KE6YR tried to show the officer the two meter radio with the coil cord microphone and said he was talking to another amateur on the radio. He also tried to show the officer the hands free system he uses on his Blackberry and finally tried to show him the cell phone log that indicated no calls were made or received.

But the officer was not interested in hearing about any of it and it has now became a tell it to the judge matter. And here is where the possibly becoming a test case for the California law. This is because Osser is an attorney by profession and plans to represent himself in court with the proper knowledge about how to address the subject.

While California does not provide any exceptions for ham radio operators, CB'ers and other non-emergency two-way radio users, by definition, two-way radio gear is not a hand held cellular telephone. None-the-less, KE6YR will still have the burden to prove in court that what he was doing was legal and that he was in fact not using a wireless telephone as defined by law.

$25000 NAL ISSUED FOR INTERFERENCE TO AIRPORT WEATHER RADAR

The FCC has issued Rapidwave, LLC of Saratoga Springs, Utah, a $25,000 Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture order. This, for operating a 5 Gigahertz unlicensed Part 15 system in a manner inconsistent with rules, and for allegedly causing interference to an FAA Terminal

Doppler Weather Radar system serving the Salt Lake City International Airport. Amateur Radio Newsline's Jim Davis, W2JKD, has the details:

According to the FCC, on Oct. 27, 2010, an enforcement agent from the Denver office, along with FAA personnel, located emissions at 5600 MHz coming from a Ubiquiti Xtreme Range 5 transceiver located at the Lake Mountain communications site in Saratoga Springs, Utah. The site in question was identified as being operated by Rapidwave LLC. Over the next 24 hours the FCC and FAA personnel established that this system at the Lake Mountain site was the source of the interference.

According to the FCC, all 5 GHz unlicensed national information infrastructure devices operating in the 5.25 to 5.35 GHz and 5.475 to 5.725 GHz bands must contain circuitry known Dynamic Frequency Selection. This is a radar detection capability which allows them to detect the presence of radar systems and avoid co-channel interference. During the Lake Mountain site inspection it was determined that as it was operating, the transceiver did not have Dynamic Frequency Selection functionality. Rapidwave changed the operating frequency to stop the interference to the Salt Lake City Terminal Doppler Weather Radar.

The inspection also revealed that Rapidwave had added a high gain parabolic antenna to the system. Calculations performed by the FCC agent indicated the Effective Radiated Power for this system may have exceeded the maximum permitted by the FCC Rules for operation on the frequency used by Rapidwave. You can read the entire text of this FCC enforcement action at tinyurl.com/fcc-utah-fine.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Jim Davis, W2JKD.

Rapidwave was given the customary 30 days to pay the fine or to file an appeal.

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2011

Hi this is Lesley, VK5LOL, that is VK5 lima oscar lima, the Alara Contest Manager. I just want to remind you that I need to receive your ALARA CONTEST logs by Friday the 30th September either by mail or email. Thank you"

Oct 1- 2 OC Oceania DX Contest Phone

Oct 8- 9 OC Oceania DX Contest CW

Oct 16 VK6 WEST AUST VHF GROUP'S SPRING SCRAMBLE

Oct 22 WIA Jack Files Contest

Nov 26-27 WIA Spring VHF-UHF Field Day

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January VK Ross Hull Memorial VHF UHF Contest

March 17-18 VK JOHN MOYLE MEMORIAL FIELD DAY

June Long Weekend (vk4 time) VK Shires Contest.

July First full weekend NZART Memorial Contest

The 2011 Oceania DX contest is now only days away, with the Phone SSB
the first weekend in October and the CW section the second weekend.

This is a great opportunity to work a lot of DX stations in our Oceania area.

The aim of the contest is to promote HF contacts with stations in the Oceania
region. Oceania stations can work other Oceania and non-Oceania stations.
Non-Oceania stations can only work Oceania stations.

PHONE: 08:00 UTC Saturday 1 to 08:00 UTC Sunday 2 October
CW: 08:00 UTC Saturday 8 to 08:00 UTC Sunday 9 October

The WA VHF Group Spring Scramble is happening on Sunday 16 October
between 0230 - 0430 UTC

The object is to contact as many different stations as possible, on as
many bands, 50 MHz and above, as possible. All licensed modes may be
used and extra points can be earned for working portable & country stations.

(Rob VK6LD)

Oceania Ladder Sprints

Is there any one keen / interested in a Ladder competition over 3 modes over
3 bands, 30 minute sessions in each mode over 11 months best of 10 score,
with the lowest score dropped , 1 night a month but not in December.

The 3 modes are CW, (A Digital mode) , SSB the 3 bands are 80, 40, 20 (
the digital mode will be either RTTY , PSK) the modes and times will

You can enter 1 mode, 2 modes, or all of them it is 3 separate
competitions lumped into one on 1 night ..

After the 11 events the 1st 3 placing's get certificates and the winner of
each mode will take away a trophy each.

This will be a self-funding event the whole competition for the 11 events
will cost you $ 5-00 total which is payable before you post your first log..

The self-funding is to get certificates printed and the 3 small trophies
each year.

I am looking for 2 more trustees to help administer this and do a final rules draft so if you are interested please email me direct !
I don't care if you are at either end of the Islands or in VK ..

At this stage it's a feeler I do have some rules drawn up, I have been in touch with others around the world and they have given me some ideas and pointers. I have been working on this now for a number of months.

Oceania is lacking in quick fire events maybe this will stir some interest other that Nets every night of the week !

ARRL , RSGB and others run these Ladder sprints and are very well supported

This is for you it's up to you to respond with your thoughts ..

I am not looking for a rewrite of what is on the table I am after your thoughts and I would appreciate constructive input and not a 4 word single line time wasting comment !!

Please email the ZLDXC yahoo group or me direct

zl2tze@yahoo.com.au

73 Phillip
ZL2TZE

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ARDF
WIA ARDF COORDINATOR VK3WWW Jack vk3www@wia.org.au
http://users.mackay.net.au/~ron/
http://www.homingin.com
http://www.ardf.org.au

The 8th Region 3 ARDF Championships are being held as we speak at Maldon Victoria here in Australia.

These games are hosted by the Wireless Institute of Australia, and are being run by the Victorian ARDF Group Inc.

The program for the 2011 Region 3 ARDF Championships is as follows:

Friday 23rd September: That was Arrival Day
Saturday 24th September: Equipment Check & Opening Ceremony
Today Sunday 25th September: 2m ARDF Competition
Monday 26th September: Tour Day
Tuesday 27th September: 80m ARDF Competition & Closing Banquet/Prizes
Wednesday 28th September: Departure Day

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

AMSAT-VK UNOFFICIAL HF Net.
2nd Sunday each month.
April through October 1000 UTC 3.685 MHz
November through March 0900 UTC 7.068 MHz

Amateur Radio CubeSat FITSAT-1 plans to transmit 115.2 kbps digital data in the Amateur Satellite Service 5.8 GHz band and will also carry an Optical

Communications experiment.

FITSAT-1 should be be deployed from the International Space Station by robot arm in late 2012. It will generate about 2W RF output using a 16W DC input.

The main mission will be to demonstrate high speed data transfer from a satellite, it can transmit a VGA-size (640x480 pixel) JPEG photograph in only 5 to 6 seconds.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- IOTA
http://rsgbiota.org

You may remember that a Belgian team attempted a landing on Rockall in May 2009.

This was unsuccessful due to the weather conditions at the time.
They are now planning to try again with the projected date being around 27/28 September.

Rockall is the rarest of the European IOTA islands with only one activation a few years ago when just over 200 QSOs were made.

The IOTA reference is EU-189.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ILLW

With 11 months to go to the third weekend in August 2012, some 70 have already registered, almost instantly after the International Lighthouse & Lightship weekend opened.

There was a record number of 470 this year from 55 countries. The next event has entrants from Argentina, Australia, Denmark, England, France, Germany, Honduras, Italy, Netherland, New Zealand, Poland, Scotland, Sweden, USA and Wales.

The fun weekend continues to grow and it's no surprise that those already listed make an early commitment to show their strong support.

It will be held on August 18 and 19, 2012.

The website illw.net is well worth a visit to read the reports of activations held this year, there is also a Facebook page with more than 1,000 fans, plus online registration.

Jim Linton VK3PC

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RADIO AMATEUR YOUNG TIMERS
A Youth Net meets Saturdays at 0100 UTC on IRLP Reflector #2.
Young Hams Net 3.590 - 7:30pm Victorian time.

ARRL FORMS YOUTH IN THE SECOND CENTURY COMMITTEE

The ARRL wants to learn more about getting youngsters into ham radio and has formed a special committee to find out how.

According to an Internet posting credited to K0CA, ARRL Board of have approved a motion authorizing the appointment of a Youth in the Second Century Committee.

ARRL President Kay Craigie, N3KN, has since appointed the committee, which is chaired by Rocky Mountain Division Director and former Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Brian Mileshosky, N5ZGT.

The purpose and goals of this committee are to enhance the League's outreach to potential radio amateurs among America's youth.

It will make recommendations to the Staff and will report to the Board of Directors beginning in January 2012.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RADIO SCOUTING
http://www.scouts.com.au
http://www.scout.org/jota
http://www.international.scouts.com.au

CALLING FREQUENCIES
Please QSY off the calling frequency after establishing communication.

Australian voice calling frequencies:
3.650, 7.090, 14.190, 21.190, 28.590, 52.160

World CW calling frequencies:
3.570, 7.030, 14.060, 18.080, 21.140, 24.910, 28.180, 50.160

World voice calling frequencies:
3.690 & 3.940 MHz, 7.090 & 7.190, 14.290, 18.140, 21.360,
24.960, 28.390, 50.160

Calling frequencies for Slow Scan TV (SSTV):
3.630, 7.033, 14.227

Calling Frequencies for PSK31
14.070

Jota Cluster now has web interface

After last year's success with 883 unique stations visiting the Jota Cluster, now there is a web interface for those stations that cannot run a cluster client program.

Hopefully this enables even more stations to post Jota spots on the cluster.

The Jota cluster can be found on the text edition of this newscast.

www.pi4raz.nl/jotacluster/cluster.php
pi4raz.nl port 7300 for cluster users

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS - VHF AND ABOVE

ARRL LOOKING AT SHF BAND PLANS

The ARRL Board has established a committee to update the suggested band plans on 33, 23, 13 and 9cm.

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Sep 23-28 R3 Region 3 ARDF Championship Bendigo VK3
http://r3.ardf.org.au/

Sep 30-Oct 2 VK4 Central Highlands Amateur Radio Club AGM at Camp Fairbairn
CONTACT Secretary Gordon, (vk4kal@wia.org.au)

Oct 23 VK3 Hamvention Ballarat Sunday.

Nov 20 VK5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society Hamfest
Goodwood Community Centre, Rosa St Goodwood at 0930.
Visit www.ahars.com.au for contact details

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15TH IARU REGION 3 CONFERENCE hosted by V.A.R.C. in Ho-Chi-Minh City,
Vietnam.

JAN 23-FEB 17 YEAR 2012
World Radio Conference WRC-11 Geneva 23rd January TO 17th February 2012

FEB 12 VK3 CentreVictoria Hamfest, Kyneton Racecourse

FEB 26 VK2 CCARC WYONG FIELD DAY

MAY 3-18 VK5 YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

JULY 14 VK4 Wide Bay Hamfest. West Maryborough Scout Hall

Nov 12 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST (ROSEBUD BY THE BAY)

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Date: 2011-09-22 21:56:31 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20110922192315.023452751D@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 4147
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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==> + ON THE AIR: RADIO AMATEURS TAKE TO THE AIR TO SUPPORT NATIONAL
WILDLIFE REFUGE WEEK

Amateur Radio operators will be on the air in observance of the 2011
National Wildlife Refuge Week, October 8-16. This event will coincide
with festivals and special events at refuges that help connect people
with nature at the country's more than 500 National Wildlife Refuges.
Radio amateurs are helping spread the word about the National Wildlife
Refuge System by operating from refuges during National Wildlife Refuge
Week. This event is a chance to combine Amateur Radio's communication
capabilities with enjoyment of the outdoors, while helping others learn
about the National Wildlife Refuge System (NWRS). Hams will highlight
refuge features, wildlife and geography when making contact with other
stations across North America. Operators will make contact using SSB,
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CW and various digital modes, including RTTY and PSK31. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/radio-amateurs-take-to-the-air-to-support-national-wildlife-refuge-week>.

==> + ARRL RECOGNIZES: 2010 ARRL TECHNICAL EXCELLENCE AWARD WINNERS ANNOUNCED

Joe Taylor, K1JT, and Bruce Walker, W1BW, are winners of the 2010 ARRL Doug DeMaw, W1FB, Technical Excellence Award for their article "WSPRing Around the World" that appeared in the November 2010 issue of QST. Established in 1975 as the ARRL Technical Excellence Award, the name was changed in 1997 to honor the late Doug DeMaw, W1FB, a former ARRL Headquarters technical editor and well-known Amateur Radio author. The award consists of an engraved 9 inch pewter cup.

Joe Taylor was first licensed as KN2ITP in 1954, and has since held call signs K2ITP, WA1LXQ, W1HFV, VK2BJX and K1JT. He was Professor of Astronomy at the University of Massachusetts from 1969 to 1981 and since then Professor of Physics at Princeton University, serving also as Princeton's Dean of the Faculty from 1997 to 2004 and retiring in 2007. He was awarded the Nobel Prize in Physics in 1993 for discovery of the first orbiting pulsar.

Bruce Walker has a Bachelor in Science degree in Physics from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and is the Director of Genome Assembly and Analysis at the Broad Institute in Cambridge, Massachusetts. Bruce was an avid shortwave listener in his youth and became a ham in 1991. His involvement in Amateur Radio has gone through several phases: homebuilt QRP, amateur satellites, early computer-based digital modes (PSK31, MSFK, etc), and occasional contesting. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/2010-arrl-technical-excellence-award-winners-announced>.

==> ON THE AIR: YAESU DONATES FT DX 5000 HF/6 METER TRANSCEIVER TO W1AW

Thanks to the generosity of Yaesu <http://www.yaesu.com/>, W1AW <http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html>, the Hiram Percy Maxim Memorial Station, now boasts Yaesu's premier transceiver -- an FT DX 5000 <http://www.yaesu.com/indexVS.cfm?cmd=DisplayProducts&ProdCatID=102&encProdID=12FF98B9C73C8988F2398C979793E2E1&DivisionID=65&isArchived=0> and SM-5000 Station Monitor. Dennis Motschenbacher, K7BV, Executive Vice President for Yaesu's Amateur Radio Sales Division, visited ARRL Headquarters on August 26 to present the radio. ARRL Chief Executive Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ, accepted the radio on behalf of the station. Sumner also serves as W1AW trustee.

"Yaesu is thrilled to continue its long support of the ARRL by donating our new premium class FT DX 50000 transceiver," Motschenbacher said. "We understand this transceiver scored some of the best receiver performance numbers every measured during ARRL Lab product testing, so ARRL Headquarters guests will now be able to slip into one of the W1AW

operating studios to get on the air and spin the knobs on one of the best of the best radios ever manufactured for the enjoyment of Amateur Radio."

W1AW Station Manager Joe Carcia, NJ1Q, thanked Yaesu for their donation of the FT DX 5000 transceiver to W1AW: "This radio is installed in Studio Three and is available for use to Amateur Radio operators visiting W1AW. The Yaesu Quadra amplifier, DMU-2000 and Yaesu SM-5000 Station Monitor are all attached and make for an excellent operating spot. The FT DX 5000 certainly complements the station."

Motschenbacher, who worked at ARRL HQ before moving to Yaesu, remarked that returning to Newington to make the presentation "was a wonderful personal experience for me. I was so happy to see many old friends inside HQ, friendships made during the four and half years I spent with ARRL before joining Yaesu. It didn't take me long to see that the staff is very busy supporting its membership and Amateur Radio as a whole!"

==> + FCC NEWS: FCC UPHOLDS $17,000 FORFEITURE ORDER TO TENNESSEE HAM

In March 2009, the FCC issued a Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture (NAL) in the amount of $17,000 to David Edward Perka, KA3PRB, of Lewisburg, Tennessee. The FCC alleges that Perka "willfully and repeatedly violat[ed] section 301 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, by operating without a license in the Maritime Radio Service and willfully violat[ed] Section 333 of the Act by maliciously interfering with the United States Coast Guard on the International Distress, Safety and Calling Channel in Annapolis, Maryland." Perka, who admitted to the findings, requested a reduction in the forfeiture amount, based on his inability to pay, but in a Forfeiture Order released by the FCC on September 21, 2011, the Commission refused to lower the amount. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-upholds-17-000-em-forfeiture-order-em-to-tennessee-ham>.

==> + ARRL SEEKS TREASURER

After more than 31 years of distinguished service to the ARRL as its volunteer Treasurer, Jim McCobb, K1LU, has decided to step down when his current term expires in January 2012. The ARRL is seeking qualified candidates from among its membership. The Board of Directors elects the Treasurer and other officers at its Annual Meeting in even-numbered years.

The Treasurer is a non-voting member of the Board of Directors and must be a licensed radio amateur and a Full member of the ARRL for four continuous years prior to nomination. The ARRL By-laws <http://www.arrl.org/arrl-by-laws> define the role of the Treasurer as follows:

- In consultation with and subject to the general supervision of the Administration and Finance Committee, provides for the investment and reinvestment of the surplus funds of the League in any bonds or stocks

or other securities as would be selected by a trustee with the care of a prudent investor.
- Reports to and attends all regular meetings of the Board of Directors.
- Serves as a member of the Administration and Finance Committee.

The position is unpaid; however, necessary expenses including travel to meetings are reimbursable.

A Search Committee has been established to recommend one or more candidates for Treasurer to the Board. Additional information about the position is available here <http://www.arrl.org/files/media/News/ARRL_Treasurer-Position_Description.pdf>.
Interested and qualified members are invited to submit a Statement of Interest and qualifications by November 14, 2011 to the Secretary, preferably by e-mail <dsumner@arrl.org>.

==> HAYS AFFINITY GROUP PROVIDES ARRL MEMBERS WITH EQUIPMENT PROTECTION, CLUB LIABILITY INSURANCE PLANS

On May 1, 2011, the ARRL began a new partnership with Hays Affinity Group to provide its ARRL-sponsored Equipment Insurance and Club Liability Insurance plans. Hays -- who took over from Marsh Affinity Group Services -- serves as the program administrator to provide equipment insurance to ARRL members who choose to elect coverage. In addition, Hays will also provide club liability insurance to ARRL Affiliated Clubs for those clubs that wish to take advantage of that program. Hays has introduced new policies for both plans, underwritten by the Hanover Insurance Company. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/hays-affinity-group-provides-arrl-members-with-equipment-protection-club-liability-insurance-plans>.

==> + HB9DRV SELLS RIGHTS TO HAM RADIO DELUXE

Simon Brown, HB9DRV, has sold the rights to his popular Ham Radio Deluxe software package to a group consisting of Mike Carper, WA9PIE, Randy Gawtry, K0CBH and Rick Ruhl, W4PC. All three principals have more than 25 years of experience with radio data communications. Rick Ruhl is the president of W4PC Software, Inc whose products include the PakRatt, PKTerm and Radio Operations Center software suites. Randy Gawtry is the president of Timewave Technology Inc whose products include the PK and DSP families of data controllers and other commercial data products. Mike Carper is an experienced Fortune 500 technology executive, educator and featured speaker in the areas of wireless technologies and IT Service Management. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/hb9drv-sells-rights-to-ham-radio-deluxe>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "Somewhere the Sun is shining <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Fo0j5a6e8WA>" Cook, K7RA, reports:
Compared to the uneventful past few years, sunspot activity was truly

remarkable this week. The daily sunspot number for September 16 was 173. We haven't see numbers like this in more than six years, when the sunspot number was 181, way back on July 5, 2005 in Solar Cycle 23. The solar flux reached 150.1 on September 18. Just six months ago it was slightly higher, 153 on March 7 and 155 on March 8, but prior to that the only higher number was 157.3 on August 22, 2005, about 7 weeks after the sunspot number of 181. Currently, the solar flux and planetary A index forecast from USAF/NOAA calls for solar flux of 144 on September 22-23, 140 on September 24-25, 145 on September 26-28, 130 on September 29 through October 1, and 135 on October 2-5. The planetary A index is predicted at 5 on September 22-24, 8 on September 25, 5, 8, 5, 5, 15 and 8 on September 26 through October 1, and 5 on October 2-7. Look for more information on the ARRL website on Friday, September 23. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by The Go-Go's Stuck in My Car <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Fo0j5a6e8WA>.

==> + ARRL INVITES MEMBERS TO EXPRESS OPINIONS IN QST

Each month in QST, the ARRL devotes a page to print letters from its members. This is a chance for you to express your opinions -- good or bad -- on ham radio-related matters. Your opinion counts! Send your letters electronically to qst@arrl.org or via postal mail to Correspondence, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111. You can also fax your letters to 860-594-0259. We read every letter received, but we can only publish a few each month. We reserve the right to edit your letter for clarity and to fit the available page space. Letters published in QST may also appear in other ARRL media. The ARRL assumes no responsibility for statements made by correspondents.

==> + ON THE AIR: JARL QSL BUREAU HAS NEW ADDRESS

As of October 1, 2011, the Japan Amateur Radio League's (JARL) QSL Bureau will have a new address. If you use the JARL QSL Bureau, please send your QSL cards to JARL QSL Bureau, 1324-3 Kanba, Hikawa-cho, Izumo-shi, Shimane 699-0588 JAPAN.

==> THIS WEEK ON THE RADIO

This week:

- September 23 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- September 24 -- AGCW VHF/UHF Contest
- September 24-25 -- ARRL EME Contest <http://www.arrl.org/eme-contest>; Texas QSO Party; CQ Worldwide DX Contest (RTTY)
- September 25 -- UBA ON 6 Meter Contest
- September 26 -- QRP Homebrewer Sprint
- September 27 -- 222 MHz Fall Sprint (local time)
- September 28 -- SKCC Sprint

- September 28-29 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

Next week:

- October 1 -- TARA PSK Rumble Contest; EU Autumn Sprint (SSB)
- October 1-2 -- California QSO Party; Oceania DX Contest (SSB); WAB HF Phone Contest; EPC Russia DX Contest
- October 2 -- UBA ON Contest (SSB)
- October 3 -- German Telegraphy Contest
- October 4 -- ARS Spartan Sprint
- October 5 -- 432 MHz Fall Sprint1 (local time)

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- September 24 -- ARRL Washington State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/washington-state-convention-35th-annual-spokane-hamfest>,
Spokane Valley, Washington
- October 8-9 -- ARRL Florida State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/florida-state-convention-melbourne-hamfest>,
Melbourne, Florida
- October 9 -- ARRL Connecticut State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/connecticut-state-convention-1>,
Wallingford, Connecticut
- October 14-16 -- ARRL Pacific Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/pacificon-2011>, Santa Clara, California
- October 21-22 -- ARRL West Gulf Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-gulf-division-convention-texoma-hamarama>,
Ardmore, Oklahoma
- October 22 -- ARRL Iowa State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/iowa-state-convention-hamboree-2011>,
Sergeant Bluff, Iowa
- November 6 -- ARRL Iowa Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/iowa-section-convention>, Davenport, Iowa
- November 19-20 -- ARRL Indiana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/indiana-state-convention-fort-wayne-hamfest-and-computer-expo>,
Fort Wayne, Indiana
- December 3-4 -- ARRL West Central Florida Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-central-florida-section-convention-tampa-bay-hamfest-1>,
Palmetto, Florida

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Please note that this is an extended Amateur Radio Newsline report and contains three breaks.

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1780 with a release date of Friday, September 23rd, 2011 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a QST. Ham radio assists as a 145 square mile wildfire rages in an isolated area of Minnesota, IARU Region One looks at a possible change to the QRP Center of Activity Frequency, the DX0DX operation from the Spratley Islands is cancelled due to safety concerns and Soyuz flights to the International Space Station to resume in November. All this and more on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1780 coming your way right now.

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RESCUE RADIO: RACES AND THE BOUNDARY WATERS CANOE AREA FIRE

Hams in Minnesota became a backbone of communications for several days. This as authorities continue to deal with a 145 square mile wildfire that began in mid-August from a lightning strike in a remote area of the state.

The fire is located in an area called the Boundary Waters Canoe Area. This is a very large region along the US and Canadian border in North-East Minnesota where no motorized equipment or vehicles are allowed. Generally, wildfires in remote areas such as this are allowed to burn out as a part of natures own forest renewal. This fire went for several weeks with no problem until a front came through with strong North-West winds and blew it into a lightly populated zone. That in turn brought out a massive firefighting effort.

In a recent news story, WDIO television interviewed Jim Anderson, N0JWA, about the involvement of amateur radio in this emergency. We caught up with Jim a few days later and he told us that hams from Lake County RACES were called out on Tuesday, September 13th when the evacuation of the small fishing town of Isabella appeared imminent:

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N0JWA: "We been training with all types of drills or activities through the years and the real call came last Tuesday from the Lake County EOC and the Lake County Sheriff. So seven of our guys got their

stuff together, grabbed their go kits and away they went."

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Also sent to the area was the groups well equipped communications trailer:

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N0JWA: "We also had a communications trailer that went to Lake County first and they were directed to go up to Isabella. We had hams located there in Isabella, and we also had them in Silver Bay and in Finland (Minnesota). And those were evacuation points."

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Anderson told Newsline that a formal net was in place to handle health and welfare traffic:

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N0JWA: "N0MR, he was in a city in-between Duluth and the fire area and he served pretty much as net control. I was on this end here in Duluth prepared to do wgt I would have to do in any calling-out or calling family members o let them know that their relatives, sons, daughters, mothers, fathers, whomever that were up in the fire area were OK."

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N0JWA that he was preparing to drive up to the fire area to act as a relief net control when word came on Sunday, September 18th that the services of the RACES operators were no longer required. This was because it had begun to rain in the fire area.

Winter weather tends to arrive early in the Northern Latitudes. Hopefully, this seasonal change will help to quickly extinguish this rather fearsome blaze. (N0JWA, N0ZRD)

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RESTRUCTURING: REGION ONE QRP CENTER OF ACTIVITY COULD CHANGE

The IARU Region 1 High Frequency Committee meeting minutes caused some alarm and confusion over the future of 7030 kHz as the Region 1 QRP center of activity. This relates to the discussion about moving the frequency, and possible further discussion at the Region 1 Interim Meeting in 2013.

It is important to note that these discussion points did not feature in the minutes of the final General Conference Plenary. The question as to whether 7030 kHz is the best frequency for the QRP center of activity was actually raised in the context of discussing a proposal from Germany's Deutscher Amateur Radio Club to change the 40 meter Contest Preferred Segment.

The High Frequency Committee decided that this change couldn't be done without first seeking the views of the Region 1 QRP community. Further discussion across IARU Region 1 is expected over the coming months and years. It's important to remember that any change in the Region 1 plan for any spectrum will in some way eventually impact on Q-R-P operations in Regions 2 and 3 as well. (IARU R-1)

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DX NEWS: SPRATLEY ISLANDS OPERATION CANCELLED DUE TO SAFETY CONCERNS

Plans to activate Thitu Island in the Spratley group have been cancelled. This due to the deteriorating safety to life and property issues in the South China Sea.

Back in January, some 30 hams had planned to operate for three weeks from the Philippines controlled island using the call DX0DX. Due to the security concerns the DXpedition was put on hold. Now, the Team Leader VK3FY says that it's off for good.

The Spratlys which lie between Vietnam, China, Malaysia, Brunei, and The Philippines is a much sought DX entity. However, VK3FY indicates that having a responsibility for the well being of the operators, he has concluded that the risks outweigh the wants or needs of the hobby. Its well known that personal safety conditions in the region have been deteriorating over the past 12 months.

And we will have more DX news near the end this weeks newscast. (VK3PC)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: NEXT MANNED FLIGHT TO ISS WILL BE NOV 14

NASA and the Russian Federal Space Agency have agreed on a November 14th date for the first manned Soyuz rocket. This following the launch failure of a similar booster carrying a robotic cargo ship last month.

The decision follows an investigation by Russian space officials to identify the source of that failure and ensure it won't plague future launches. It also clears the way for a new three-member crew to launch on a Soyuz to the International Space Station, sustaining the orbiting lab's 10-year streak for a continuous human presence in space.

The two space agencies had temporarily suspended all manned Soyuz flights while Russian engineers investigated the August 24th launch failure that sent the Progress 44 spacecraft packed with food and supplies for the space station. That spacecraft crashed over Siberia shortly after liftoff.

As most listeners know, in the wake of last summer's retirement of NASA's space shuttles, the Russian Soyuz is the only means of transportation for people to and from the ISS. (Various reports)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: THREE ISS CREW MEMBERS RETURN TO EARTH

Meantime, another Russian Soyuz capsule carrying three returning Expedition 27 astronauts from the International Space Station touched down safely in central Kazakhstan on September 16th.

NASA astronaut Ron Garan, KF5GPO, and Russian cosmonauts Andrei Borisenko, RW7LFG, and non-ham Alexander Samokutyayev landed some 93 miles southeast of the city of Zhezkazgan at 10 a.m. their local time. This, after spending 164 days in space on board the International Space Station.

But during re-entry there were some rather tense moments due to a yet unexplained communications breakdown. Repeated calls to the Soyuz TMA-21 capsule from Mission Control outside Moscow, went unanswered for several minutes, well after the craft had de-orbited. Communication was eventually established between the crew and an Antonov fixedwinged aircraft circling the landing site.

Sergei Volkov, UA1OSS, Mike Fossum, KA5AQG and Satoshi Furukawa, KE5DAW, are serving as the current Expedition 29 crew aboard the ISS. (Various reports)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the N7SKO repeater serving parts of Arizona, Nevada and California.

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ENFORCEMENT: HAM FINED $17000 FOR MARITIME BAND INTERFERENCE

The FCC has told a Tennessee ham that he must pay a $17,000 fine. This after admitting that he transmitted without a license on a United States Coast Guard frequency. Amateur Radio Newsline's Don Carlson, KQ6FM, is in Reno with the details:

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In an acation date September 20th, the FCC has affirmed a $17,000 forfeiture order issued to to David Edward Perka, KA3PRB, of Lewisburg, Tennessee. This, for willfully and repeatedly violating section 301 of the Communications Act by operating without a license in the Maritime Radio Service and maliciously interfering with the United States Coast Guard on the International Distress, Safety, and Calling Channel in Annapolis, Maryland.

This case goes back to the spring of 2008. At that time agents in the FCC's Columbia Maryland Office alleged that on April 6th and April 7th of that year David Edward Perka operated on Marine Channel 16 or 156.800 MHz, which is the International Distress, Safety, and Calling Channel for stations operating in the Maritime Radio Service.

The unauthorized transmissions on April 6th, 2008 consisted of Perka making threatening statements to the United States Coast Guard. The ones on April 7, 2008 consisted of tones from a Dual-Tone Multi-Frequency keypad.

Although Perka holds an amateur license, the FCC says that he does not hold any form of certification to operate in the Maritime Service. The FCC order says that Perka later admitted to FCC agents that the transmissions on April 6, 2008 were intentionally transmitted to harass the United States Coast Guard. .

On March 27, 2009, the Columbia Office issued Perka a $17,000 Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture. In his response, Perka admitted to the findings leading to the proposed fine. At the same time he requested a reduction based on his inability to pay.

In examining Perka's response, the FCC says that is required to take into account the nature, circumstances, extent and gravity of the violation. Also, with respect to the violator, the degree of culpability, any history of prior offenses and ability to pay.

The FCC says that its Notice of Apparent Liability issued to Perka specifically stated that a cancellation or reduction based on inability to pay will not be considered unless the petitioner provides certain specific documentation. The Commission says that the only documentation Perka submitted was a single unemployment check from the State of Maryland dated April 6, 2009.

After receiving Perka's response the Enforcement Bureau staff provided him an additional opportunity to submit the proper documentation. The regulatory agency says that while it has evidence that Perka received that letter, to date it has received no response. Based on this the FCC says that it has no basis for assessing Perka's financial situation As such a forfeiture in the amount of $17,000 in this matter is warranted in this case.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, Im Don Carlson, KQ6FM, in Reno.

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Perka was given the usual 30 days to pay the monetary forfeiture or to file a further appeal. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: MAJOR REDUCTION IN FINE TO FLORIDA UNLICENSED BROADCASTER

And a follow-up to another case we recently reported on. This involving an unlicensed broadcaster in Florida named Fritzner Lindor who was caught operating on 94.7 MHz in the city of Orange Park.

Back in June 2010, agents from the FCC's Tampa office had traced an unauthorized signal on 94.7 MHz to Lindor's home. During a station inspection, the commission said that Lindor admitted he had purchased the transmitter and operated it without a license. He also admitted

that he knew his actions violated the Communications Act.

Lindor was eventually issued a $15,000 Notice of Apparent Liability. In his response he did prove the fine to be a severe economic burden by submitting the required documentation. In the end the Commission agreed to a dramatic reduction in fine from $15,000 down to only $300. Lindor was given the normal 30 days to pay. (FCC)

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RADIO RULES: FCC GRANTS CAP-EAS TIME EXTENSION

Broadcasters and cable-casters are issuing a collective sigh of relief. This, with word that the FCC has approved another extension for broadcasters to comply with the Common Alerting Protocol or CAP-EAS deadline.

The new deadline is June 30, 2012 and supersedes the previous compliance date o this coming Sept. 30th. An earlier deadline was extended in March of this year.

The announcement was made at a regulatory session at the Radio Show that was being held this year in Chicago. In its statement the FCC noted that no one can yet comply with the new E-A-S rules because the commission has not finalized all the key technical specifics necessary for receiving CAPformatted alerts. (RW)

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RADIO RULES: W6TIA ON CAP-EAS PROTOCOL

Meantime, EAS expert Richard Rudman, W6TIA, blogs that FEMA has a plan for how broadcast stations will get domain names or I P addresses that they will need to program in to their Common Alerting Protocol or CAP encoders/decoders. These are the devices which will then "poll" the federal CAP message alerting system. That's how primary stations will get their EAS alert messages to be re-transmitted across the daisy chain.

Rudman says Antwane Johnson, who is the Division Director and Program Manager for FEMA's Integrated Public Alert and Warning or IPAWS System told him that a PIN will be assigned to each of the approved EAS equipment vendors. To receive a PIN, each vendor will need to e-mail FEMA IPAWS requesting the PIN and the structure of the Atom feed URL.

W6TIA adds that once final security checks have been completed, FEMA IPAWS will update the EAS community with the release of the domain names to be used by the broadcaster community. More about the Integrated Public Alert and Warning System and how it might affect you can be found online at www.fema.gov/emergency/ipaws. (RW)

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RESCUE RADIO: HAM RADIO TO FOLLOW A ZS HIKING GROUP

Ham radio will be used for lifeline and safety communications. This as a group of South African hikers embark on a 12 day hike across some rugged terrain.

The trip begins on the 26th of September at Mount Aux Sauces and end at the city of Boesmansnek. At least two South African radio amateurs will be involved in the mission. Johan Leslie, ZR4CAA, is a member of the hiking group with the base camp station manned by John Longland, ZS6AA.

The bands to be used are 80, 40 and 2 meters. Hams worldwide are being requested to listen out for these call signs and assist if an emergency situation should arise. (SARL)

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BREAK 2

Coming to you this week from Florida's sunny shores, we are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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HAM RADIO BUSINESS: HRD VERSION 5.1 TO BE FREE UPGRADE TO REGISTERED USERS

The version 5.1 release of Ham Radio Deluxe will be made available at no charge to registered users when completed. So say Mike Carper,WA9PIE, Randy Gawtry, K0CBH and Rick Ruhl, W4PC.

The trio announced last week that they had acquired the source and rights to the Ham Radio Deluxe suite of software from Simon Brown, HB9DRV. Since then there had been a lot of rumor on the Internet chat sites as to what would happen next.

A lot of that was cleared up with the release of a statement by Carper, Gawtry and Ruhl over the weekend of September 17th and 18th posted on Facebook and other websites. In addition to making version 5.1 a free upgrade to registered users, the trio say that they plan to continue improving Ham Radio Deluxe to keep it as the best ham radio package available.

Whether or not it will remain free after the release of version 5.1 was not discussed in their news release. Right now Carper, Gawtry and Ruhl say that they are in the process of building a development environment for Ham Radio Deluxe. They say that their main concern is to begin by addressing some of the bugs in the existing "To Do List" for the upcoming version 5.1 release. (HRD Team)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: K9HAM AT THE WINGS AND WHEELS FLY IN

Turning to ham radio happenings, word that the Lewis and Clark Radio Club of Godfrey, Illinois, will be operating special event station K9HAM on September 24th. This, for the 17th annual Wings and Wheels Fly-in slated to be held at the St. Louis Regional Airport.

Operation of K9HAM will be from 10:00 A.M. until 4:00 P.M. Central Time, weather rpermitting. The primary operating frequency will be 14.245 S.S.B. +/- QRM on 20 meters. A commemorative certificate will be available with your card and a self addressed stamped envelope or electronically direct to your e-mail.

The Wings and Wheels Fly-In is an annual event that features a display of historic war aircraft and vintage automobiles. More about it is on-line at www.stlouisregional.com. (KF9F)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: THE CANADIAN AMATEUR RADIO HALL OF FAME 2011

Nominations for Canadian Amateur Radio Hall of Fame for 2011 close on September 30th. This award recognizes deserving Canadian amateur radio operators for outstanding achievement and sustained service to amateur radio in Canada or to ham radio at large. Nomination forms and details of the procedure are available from the Radio Amateurs of Canada website, or direct at tinyurl.com/canada-award (RAC)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: K0KG NAMED NEW CQ DX AWARDS MANAGER

Some names in the news. First is Keith Gilbertson, K0KG, who as been named by CQ Magazine to succeed Billy Williams, N4UF, as its CQ DX Awards Manager. According to an announcement from CQ, Keith Gilbertson is retired vocational and technical education teacher and community college administrator. He is a veteran of the U.S. Air Force and Air Force Reserve who lives in Rochert, Minnesota, with his wife, Jeannie. They have two adult children and four grandchildren.

CQ adds that effective immediately, any correspondence relating to the CQ DX Award program should be directed to Keith Gilbertson, K0KG, 21688 Sandy Beach Lane, Rochert, Minnesota. 56578-9604. K0KG can also be reached by e-mail ato keith (dot) gilbertson (at) cq (dot) com.

Gilbertson's appointment follows the retirement of Billy Williams, N4UF, after more than three decades of service to the amateur radio DX'ing community. (CQ)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: N5HYP AND THE SCOUTING MERIT BADGE CLASS

Congratulations to Tom Schuessler, N5HYP, for a successful Radio Merit Badge class and amateur radio satellite demo at the National Scouting Museum. The Boy Scout station K2BSA/5 had contacts with numerous stations during its operational hours. It will again be again be

active on October 15th for the 2011 Scouting Jamboree on the Air. (ANS)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: KA3HDO RETIRES FROM NASA AFTER 36 YEARS

After an illustrious 36 year career with NASA, Frank Bauer, KA3HDO, has retired from the agency.

In his farewell note to his colleagues, Bauer said that for someone who dreamed about space exploration as a very young child and started at NASA when the Apollo program was in its twilight, it has been truly a pleasure to spend over 3 decades developing and operating systems as part of the NASA team. Bauer said that he has had what he called a phenomenal time contributing to countless Human and Robotic spaceflight missions, flight tests, technology experiments, pioneering systems, studies, formulations and on-orbit operations activities as well as numerous agency-level, U.S. Government and international strategies and initiatives.

In addition to his job with NASA, KA3HDO, had a parallel volunteer career as one of the leaders of the manned Amateur Radio in Space program. Among his many achievements was taking manned ham radio operations on-orbit from the now retired space shuttles under the SAREX operation over to the International Space Station and into the ARISS program.

Bauer, who stepped down from ARISS and AMSAT duties in March of 2009, had served as ARISS Program Leader and ARISS International Working Group Chair. Since 1991, he had also held the title of AMSAT Vice President for Human Spaceflight Programs.

In May of 2009 Bauer was presented with the ARRL President's Award for his many contributions to ham radio's part of mans exploration of space. (ANS)

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DOWN BUT NOT OUT: GET WELL WISHES TO WB6FDF AND W2ML

Two people long associated with Amateur Radio Newsline are currently suffering medical problems. Retired news anchor and board member Robert Sudock, WB6FDF, is in a rehab facility in Long Beach, California where he is recovering from a badly burned foot and a flare-up of an previous medical problem. Once back on his feet Robert will be come the permanent news anchor for the weekly Newsline-produced news capsules that you will see on the Ham Nation Internet TV show that airs Tuesday nights at live dot twit dot tv. Get well wishes go to him via e-mail to wb6fdf (at) arnewsline (dot) org.

And Steve Mendelsohn, W2ML, who many knew as an early Newsline reporter before becoming the ARRL Hudson Division and later as ARRL 1st Vice President has been diagnosed with stage 4 pancreatic cancer. That said, Steve says that he is determined not to let his chemotherapy

treatments slow him down. At least not very much.

Steve who works for ABC Television in New York City and who also brought game-day frequency coordination to the National Football League is profiled in a rather amazing to read story in the NY Jets on-line magazine. You can view by taking your web browser to tinyurl.com/Steve-Mendelsohn. Steve can be reached by e-mail to W2ML (at) arrl (dot) net and we are sure a kind word of support from the ham community would be very welcome right now. (ARNewsline(tm), CGC, others)

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BREAK 3

This is ham radio news for today's radio

amateur. From the United States of America, We

are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the

world from our only official website at

www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the

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amateur:

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: FUNCUBE GROUP MEMBERSHIP EXCEEDS 2000 In under a year the AMSAT-UK FUNcube Yahoo Group has achieved over 2000 members.

The group was created by Rob Styles, M0TFO, at the end of October 2010. Its purpose is to provide support for the AMSAT-UK FUNcube satellite and the FUNcube Dongle Software Defined Radio package.

For those not aware, the FUNcube satellite is an educational micro-bird project with the goal of educating young people about radio, space, physics and electronics. Once on-orbit, FUNcube will provide a strong 145 MHz telemetry beacon for the pupils to receive. The bird will also have a 435 to145 MHz linear transponder for cross band SSB and CW communications.

The target audience for FUNcube is school students age 8 to 18. Planners say that FUNcube will support the educational science, technology, engineering and maths initiatives. It will also provide an additional resource for the RSGB's GB4FUN radio communications demonstration van.

Information on the FUNcube satellite project is at FUNcube.org.uk. You can join the FUNcube Yahoo Group at groups dot yahoo dot com and using the search feature to locate the FUNcube group. (M0TFO)

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RADIO IN SPACE: FIND YOUR GRAIL - ON X BAND

The NASA Grail mission to the Moon should downlink on 2280.6 MHz and 2279.511 MHz. Also, X-Band Doppler ranging beacons are on 8451.5995 MHz and 8451.7995 MHz. And with due respect to Monty Python, if you have the gear to receive these frequencies, with this information at hand, you might just find your Grail. (ANS, others)

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ON THE WEB: THE SIX AND TEN REPORTING CLUB

If you are a ham who likes to operate in the boundary area between High Frequency and low VHF, then the Six and Ten Reporting Club may be for you. This is an informal group of radio amateurs, mostly from the UK, who are interested in propagation studies at frequencies around the HF to VHF boundary. This means the 6 and 10 meter amateur bands.

The club produces a monthly newsletter that includes analysis of 28MHz propagation based on beacon monitoring, analysis of 50MHz activity reports broken down by propagation mode. Also included are discussions on unusual propagation events, compilations of solar and geomagnetic data, lists of activity world-wide, beacon news, and results of ongoing experiments.

The latest edition of the Six and Ten report is now available. You will find it in cyberspace at g7kse.co.uk/6and10. (Southgate)

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RADIOSPORTS: REGION 3 ARDF CHAMPIONSHIP IN VK SEPTEMBER 23 - 28

The 8th ITU Region 3 Amateur Radio Direction Finding Championships are being held from September 23rd to the 28th at Maldon in Australia's Victoria state. This is a historic gold mining area about a two hours drive from Melbourne airport.

This competition is being hosted by the Wireless Institute of Australia, and run by the Victorian Amateur Radio Direction Finding Group. Accommodation will be at the Victorian Blue Light Youth Camps in Maldon. For further information, please contact Wireless Institute of Australia A-R-D-F Coordinator John Bramham by e-mail to vk3www (at) wia (dot) org (dot) au. More is on-line at www.ardf.org.au. (WIA, Southgate)

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DX

In DX, word that preparations for the large multi-national 3D2R DXpedition to Rotuma are going according to plan. The team will meet in Suva, Fiji on September 22nd and depart for Rotuma on the 25th. They expect to be operational sometime on the 27th on 160 through 10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK and SSTV. They also will hve stations

on 6 and 2 meter moonbounce with a focus on Europe and Africa. QSL via YT1AD or electronically using Logbook of the World.

The Oh J-Zero-X team has successfully landed on Market Reef for the first leg of its three week stay. Their focus will be on low-bands and RTTY, including the weekend's CQ World Wide RTTY Contest. Please keep watching the Oh J-Zero-X on QRZ dot com for updates. QSL this one via OH2BH

KL7JR and his XYL WL7MY will be active stroke HI3 from the northern coast of Hispaniola using SSB on the High Frequency bands until 2013 concentrating on 80, 40, 22, 17 and 6 meters. They also plan some experiments with mobile antennas from their 3rd floor balcony. Skeds are possible via e-mail to KL7JR (at) yahoo (dot) com Their QSL route can be found on QRZ.com.

W6HGF/KH0, will be active from Saipan from Sep 20th through the 30th. He will focus on RTTY and and plans to take part in the CQ World Wide RTTY Contest. Other modes will be used if time permits. QSL direct to W6HGF either direct or via Logbook of the World.

TA1AMC is on a humanitarian mission in Mogadischu, Somalia and will be operational stroke T5 during his spare time. He will be there for the next three months. QSL as directed on the air.

IZ4AMS will be active from Tinetto Island on October 9th and 10th using the call IZ4AM. If you make contact, please QSL as directed on the air.

Lastly, a Belgian team attempt at landing on

Rockall Island in May 2009 was unsuccessful due

to the weather conditions at the time. They are

now planning to try again, with the projected

date being around September 27th or 28th.

Rockall is the rarest of the European Islands on

the Air and has only been activated once a few

years ago when just over 200 QSO's were made.

Foir the latest information keep a cyberspace

eye on www.rockall.be. The Islands on the Air

reference for Rockall Island is EU-189.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: LPFM DONATED TO ILLINOIS STATE UNIVERSITY And finally this week, students at Illinois State University are the recipient of a Low Power FM license given to the school by a religious broadcaster. Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, is in the nerwsroom with the details:

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Some good news for the proponents of college level radio. On September 1st, the Federal Communications Commission approved the ownership transfer of WEWT-LP from Rock in Victory Ministries to the Illinois State University Foundation. This was accompanied by a change in call letters to WZND-LP. As a result, 103.3 MHz will be the Low Power FM voice of Illinois State University students with the potential of reaching nearly 75,000 listeners with its 83 watts of power.

It should be noted that college radio advocates have long been protesting the loss of student-run FM stations. On campuses nationally, cash-strapped colleges and universities are selling or leasing stations to outsiders. And as broadcast licenses and studio equipment are lost, at best, students end up with Internet-only stations.

At least in Illinois, that's about to change.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the Newsroom in Los Angeles.

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And that's a nice way to round out this week's newscast. (Radio Survivor)

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Jim Davis, W2JKD, saying 73 from sunny Vero Beach, Florida, and we thank you for listening.

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** EDITOR'S SPECIAL NOTICE: This week's bulletin was sent out earlier than normal to accommodate the late CQWW DX RTTY Contest announcements. Also, we wanted to provide the OPDX readers with a consolidated listing of the CQWW DX RTTY Contest participants.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Saturday, 17-September, through Friday, 23rd-September there were 227 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4W, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9U, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HC, HC8, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T32, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TR, TT, TU, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VK9L, VP2V, VP6, VP8, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZF, ZK2, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

2M, SCOTLAND (Satellite Op). By the time you read this, Paul, 2E1EUB, will once again be active as 2M1EUB as for 14 days until about October 8th, weather permitting. The first week will be from the Island of Skye (western Scotland, IOTA EU-008, IOSA NH07, SCOTIA CN14, WLOTA 1626). The second week will be from the eastern side of Scotland in the Cairngorms National Park (WFF GMFF-001). Activity will be on 160m, 80m, and the satellites, as well as 2m SSB. Checkout QRZ.com under 2M1EUB for more info.

3D2R, ROTUMA (Update). By the time you read this a large multi-national team will be preparing to leave for a DXpedition to Rotuma from Lami Bay, Suva, departing by ship to Rotuma (OC-060) on September 25th. The Team expects to arrive in Rotuma and become active on Tuesday, September 27th. They will complete their DXpedition on October 7th. Their main goals of this DXpedition are to work every amateur radio operator who needs Rotuma for a new DXCC country. They will be active as 3D2R on all bands from 160-2 meters, including the 60m and 6m, using CW, SSB and RTTY. They will also be active on PSK, SSTV and EME. Special attention will be made to work stations from Europe and Africa during those periods when propagation permits. The propagation window for EU and Africa is very brief at times and signals may be weak, so they ask everyone in the honor of HAM SPIRIT to stand by when asked so that they may fulfill this need. They plan to upload their logs on a daily basis to their online log. They will upload to LoTW approximately six months following the DXpedition. The team is still currently seeking additional Club and Individual Sponsors to help them defray the costs of carrying out this DXpedition. QSL via YT1AD, direct or by the Bureau. For more details and update, see the 3D2R Web page at: http://www.yt1ad.info/3d2r/index.html

4J/4K, AZERBAIJAN (Update). Members of the "Federation of Radio Sports of Azerbaijan" and the Safari DX Activators Club are organizing a DXpedition to the battle line of the Nagorno Karabakh area between September 29th and October 2nd. The DXpedition will use three different callsigns (not two as first mentioned), 4K3K, 4J0K and 4J0SFR. Please be aware that the mentioned callsigns are only legal to operate in the assigned Nagorno Karabakh area. No other callsigns are issued for the named territory by the Ministry of Communication of Azerbaijan. Any other callsigns are considered illegal. QSL both 4K3K and 4J0K via RW6HS. QSL 4J0SFR via 4J5T. For more details, please see QRZ.com.

4W6, TIMOR-LESTE. The 4W6A team will only be active for a few more days from Atauro Island (OC-232) until September 26th. As of 0930z, September 23rd, they had 29546 QSOs with 10747 unique callsigns (11815/CW, 17001/SSB and 730/RTTY). Watch the 4W6A Facebook page for updates at: http://www.facebook.com/pages/4W6A-Atauro-Island-Oc-232/180665755315820 Remember the QSL Manager is M0URX. QSL direct (w/SAE plus 1 IRC or 2 USDs), by the Bureau, or LoTW. The entire log will be uploaded to LoTW as quickly as possible after the end of the operation. Direct or Bureau QSLs may also be requested using the M0URX Online QSL Request Service (OQRS). There is a link from the 4W6A Web site at: http://www.4w6a.com

5C, MOROCCO (Reminder/Update, IOTA, LH and WFF Op!). Operators Ruggero/ IK2PZC (5C2P), Leo/I8LWL (5C2L), Fred/IK7JWX (5C2J), Simon/IZ7ATN (5C2SG), Ampelio/IS0AGY (5C2B), Mounaim/CN8QY (CN8QY/p) and Belkaid/CN8QX (CN8QX/p) are now active from the city of Dakhla and the lighthouse (ARLHS WSA-001), which is part of the National Park off the coast of Dakhla (WFF CNFF-007), Morocco, until September 29th. Their main purpose of this DXpedition is to activate Herne Island (AF-068) in South Western Sahara IOTA Group (CN), using the callsign 5C2/homecall/p. Specific dates are unsure (it may happen as this is being sent out). PLEASE NOTE: This does not count for Western Sahara (S0) for DXCC. Activity will be on all HF bands, including 30/17/12m, and 6 meters, using all modes. The team might try an entry in the CQWW DX RTTY Contest (September 24-25th) using the callsign 5C2P. QSL via their home callsigns, direct or by the Bureau. QSL 5C2SG via IZ7ATN, direct (see QRZ.com). QSL CN8QY/p via I8LWL, direct only.

60M NEWS TIDBITS (From the W8GEX 60m News).....
* Jose, CT1EEB, reports that Portugal Hams are now authorized to use the frequency of 5288.5 kHz in addition to the already authorized frequencies of 5371.5 kHz and 5403.5 kHz. Same modes and power level.

* Dave, A92IO, reports 5.373 MHz and 5.405 MHz USB are being used in Bahrain.

* Geoff, VE4BAW, President and Chair Radio Amateurs of Canada, also Co-Chair of Canadian Amateur Radio Advisory Board, reports Canada will be on 60 meters sometime this fall.

* After several negotiation and requests, the Telecommunication Institute in Slovakia now allows stations to operate on 60m band between 5258.5-5410.0 kHz for experimental purposes. The allowed power is max. 100w ERP and licences are valid for 1 year as same as in OK-land.

6Y, JAMAICA. Operators Lajos/VE3NE and Gyorgy/VE3NZ will be active as 6Y3M during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via VE3NE.

7Q, MALAWI. Operators Rob/GM3YTS and Gav/GM0GAV will be active as 7Q7GM between October 31st and November 13th. Activity will be CW only with a focus on the low bands, especially 160/80m. They are hoping to have an online log available. Look for all QSOs to be uploaded to LoTW as soon they return home. QSL via GM4FDM.

8Q, MALDIVES. Jim, G3VDB, is intending to once again be active as 8Q7EJ from Vilamendhoo Island Resort (AS-013) between October 31st and November 13th. Activity will be holiday style mainly on 20 meters using CW, SSB, PSK31 and RTTY. QSL via his home callsign. The 2009/2010 8Q7EJ logs are available on the Clublog Web page at: http://www.clublog.org/logsearch/8Q7EJ

C21A - DXPEDITION NAURU POSTPONED! Members of the "Pacific DXers" team have announced: "This operation has been postponed until next year due to advice from the Nauru Consulate and airline (airline could not guarantee the flights due to internal problems). So.. An alternative destination has been arranged on short notice... We are now proud to be able to announce that "Tuvalu" (T2) will be activated between November 11th and

December 8th, with most of the same team." For more information, see T2 below.

CN, MOROCCO. Stefano, IK2QEI, will be active as CN3A from Safi during the CQWW DX RTTY Contest (September 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via LoTW.

CR3, MADEIRA. Members of the Madeira Contest Team will be active as CR3A during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Multi-? entry. Operators mentioned are Joe/CT3BD, Luis/CT3DL, Joe/CT3DZ, Luis/CT3EE, Duarte/CT3EN, Miguel/CT3IA, Tiago/CT3KU, Jose/CT3KY, Jose/CT3NT (CT1BOH) and possibly others. QSL via LoTW.

EF8, CANARY ISLANDS. Look for EE8E from Santa Maria de Guia, Las Palmas Gran Canaria (AF-004, DIE S-005, WLOTA L 0969), to be on the air during the CQ Worldwide DX RTTY Contest (September 24-25th) as a Multi-Single entry. Operators mentioned are Valery/RD3A, Juan/EA8CAC, Pekka/EA8AH and Alex/UA5C. QSL via LoTW.

EK20, ARMENIA (Special Event). To celebrate the 20th anniversary of independence of Armenia, look for amateurs of Armenia to use the special prefix "EK20" beginning September 21st. A special award is available for working at least 20 QSOs/SWL with these special radio stations on all HF bands, including 30/17/12m, and on any modes (CW, SSB and Digital). QSLs for these special prefixes may be sent to: P.O.Box 22, Yerevan, Armenia 0002, or per the operator's instructions. The electronic award can be received in the form of a digital image file sent to you, so you may print the certificate on your printer. Send log extract of the contacts to: ek7dx@yahoo.com
Stations mentioned are: EK20A, EK20AF, EK20DX, EK20FB, EK20GB, EK20GM, EK20H, EK20KE, EK20LX, EK20RL and EK20TA.

FG, GUADELOUPE. Armin, DK9PY, will be active from here between November 6-25th. Activity will be only CW on all bands (except 160m) in the lower CW area (15 kHz) from the band edge. He will concentrate on the 30/17/12m bands. Callsign and QSL route to be announced.

FH, MAYOTTE. Phill, F6GNT, will be active as FH8NX from Mayotte Island (AF-027) until March 2013. Activity will be on 20-10 meters using SSB. QSL direct to: Phillip Ward, 36 Totorosa 2, Labattoir 97610, Mayotte. Also, QSL via eQSL.

FJ/TO3, ST. BARTHELEMY (Update). Operators Nikola/VE3EY and John/VE3TA will be active as FJ/homecall from St. Barthelemy (NA-146) between November 22-29th. Activity will include the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Multi-Single entry. They will use the callsign TO3A. QSL via their home callsigns. QSL TO3A via VE3EY. An online log search for TO3A and FJ/VE3EY will probably be available after the operation here: http://dx.fireroute.com/to3a

FP, ST.PIERRE & MIQUELON. Members of the Cambridge University Wireless Society (CUWS - G6UWS) will be active as FP/homecall from Miquelon (NA-032) between September 24-29th. The six operators mentioned are

Dominic/M0BLF, Martin/G3ZAY, Simon/G4EAG, Tom/M0TOC, Robert/M0VFC and
Gavin/M1BXF. Meet the operators and see their YouTube trailer at:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rsKfnO4TEPU
The team will be "vlogging" on YouTube while they are on Miquelon Island.
Activity will be on all bands using CW and SSB. QSL via the operator's
home callsign. Also, check out their Facebook and Twitter pages at:
http://www.facebook.com/pages/Cambridge-University-Wireless-Society-in-St-Pierre-et-Miquel
on/116233735144983
http://twitter.com/#!/cuwsinfp

HB0, LIECHTENSTEIN. Mek, SP7VC, will be active as HB0/SP7VC between
October 25-31st. Activity will be on 160-10 meters including the 17/12m
using SSB. He will also be on 6m, if open. Mek will also be active in
the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th). Equipment will consist of
an IC-746, HEX Beam, R-7 vertical, INV-L for 160/80m, 3 element yagi for
6m, an ALPHA 76A and a PA for 6m. QSL via LoTW or his home callsign,
by the Bureau or direct.

II9, ITALY. The II9K Contest Team will be active from Sicily during the
CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Multi-Single entry. Operators
mentioned are Giuseppe/IT9HBT, Girolamo/IT9GNG, Rino/IT9FXY, Vincenzo/
IT9ECQ and Maria/IT9FRA. QSL via IT9HBT.

IOTA NEWS.............
AF-019. Emilio, IZ1GAR, will be active as IH9/IZ1GAR from Pantelleria
Island (IIA TP-001, WLOTA 0041) between November 23-28th. In
the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th), Emilio will be
active as IH9R and as a Single-ZOp/Single Band (40m) entry.
Pantelleria counts a Multiplier Zone 33 Africa Italy for the
CQWW DX rule (islands are located over the African continent
platform). QSL via IZ1GAR, direct or by the Bureau.

AF-019. Tony, IK1QBT, will be active as IH9/IK1QBT from Pantelleria
Island (IIA TP-001, WLOTA 0041) between November 23-28th. In
the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th), Tony will be active
as IH9X (Operating class TBD). QSL via IK1QBT, direct or by
the Bureau.

AF-068. By the time you read this Simon, IZ7ATN, should be active as
5C2SG/p from Herne Island until September 28th. Simon attempted
an operation in 2010 from this rare island, the operation was
NOT validated by RGSB IOTA Manager. He states that his main
goal is:
* To fulfill the DESERVING needing AF-068 in their IOTA score,
mainly who already made QSO with him in 2010.
* Those who sent DIRECT QSL to him for 2010 operation, PLEASE
make a NEW QSO!
* NO need to send him a second QSL, just drop him QSO details
via mail at <simon.iz7atn@vodafone.it> as he will use your
previous contribution to reply you!
* Remember: ONLY a new QSO with 5C2SG callsign will allow you
to get you a QSL back using the previous request you made!

Simon uses the following operating policies:
* PLEASE TAKE NOTE: only ONE QSO is needed for IOTA operations.
Multiple bands QSOs are unuseful as this callsign is not for
DXCC purpose! By making more than one QSO you let another
station MISS a QSO as he has LIMITED time to be on the
island. THINK about it and let others make QSO with him
like you did! Those who insist to make MORE than ONE QSO
will be later REMOVED from the log.

* 5C2SG will ALWAYS split up, usually 5 kHz.
* 5C2SG will reply ONLY to FULL call-signs. 2-letter will
be IGNORED.
* 5C2SG will operate SSB only on 10-15-17-20 meters.
QSL via IZ7ATN, by the Bureau or direct (see QRZ.com for
more details).

EU-189. (Update OPDX.1026) The same Belgian team that made an attempt
to land and operate from Rockall Island in May 2009 is about
to set sail again on September 24th. Only this time they have
a much larger vessel called the "Cdt. Fourcault" which has a
variety of tools that should warrant a safe landing in almost
all sea or weather conditions including a helicopter! See the
Web page: http://ibiza-style.com/pages/en/luxury_style/people/241-a_mysterious_vessel.html
Estimated travel time is about 4 days from the harbor in
Antwerp, so they should be on the air around September 28th. On
operations from the ship, they will use the callsign ON4ATW/MM.
Callsign to be used when on Rockall is MM0RAI/p. Activity will
be on 80-10 meters using CW and SSB. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 3516, 7016, 10116, 14016, 18084, 21016, 24906 and 28016
Listening up 3 kHz.
SSB - 3763, 7063/7163, 14263, 18136, 21263, 24963 and 28463 kHz
Listening up 5 kHz or on 3863 and 7236 kHz.
QSL via ON4ATW (LoTW, by the Bureau or direct). Keep an eye on
their Web site for last minute updates and news at:
http://www.rockall.be

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (September 24th-October 1st)....
Sep 24 AN SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS
Sep 25 AN --------------------
Sep 26 AN BN - Below Normal
Sep 27 AN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Sep 28 AN LN - Low Normal
Sep 29 AN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Sep 30 AN-LN DIS - Disturbed
Oct 01 HN-AN VDIS - Very Disturbed

GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between

7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

LM9L40, NORWAY (Special Event/Contest Op). Members of the "Nedre Romerike Gruppe av NRRL" (club station - LA9L) will be active as LM9L40Y through December 31st, to celebrate their 40th anniversary. QSL via LA9L, by the Bureau or LoTW only. No direct! Also, look for Olaf, LB8IB, to be active as LM9L40Y in the CQWW RTTY DX Contest (September 24-25th) from the LN8W contest station in Rakkestad. He will be a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via LA8HGA.

OJ0, MARKET REEF (OJ0X Update - Message from DL3DXX, DH7SA, DL5CW and SP5XVY): Dated September 21st - "After a one-day delay, we finally made it. Perfect weather yesterday for our landing; more wind today but in spite of that you will find the logs uploaded for the first night. We are still in the process of establishing our stations and antennas. That means we are quite busy; the SteppIR is working fine, and we have 30M and 40M dipoles up and running so far. Will erect the Titanex, weather permitting today. 30M sounded like a lot of Aurora, with difficult propagation into USA and Japan, and a huge pileup from Europe on the first night. But we worked a lot of DX, including the US West Coast and Midwest. No generator problems so far; with so much power from the six windmill generators, the diesel generator has not been fired up yet. 73 de DL3DXX, DH7SA, DL5CW & SP5XVY"

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL Hector, CO6CBF, via his manager George, WA5KBH, (USA Stations Only). Stations outside of the USA can send direct via his QRZ.com address. Hector has been very active on satellites and recently received his Satellite VUCC Award. His home grid is EL92, but he plans to operate from other grids in Cuba in the near future.

Pedro, EA5GL, informs OPDX readers that he has the logs for the following operations (and any future by activations) Hiro, JA6WFM, since 1997: HC5WW, HC5WW/HC8, HD5J, HQ3J, HR3J, HR3/JA6WFM, JA6WFM/HC5, JA6WFM/HI8, JA6WFM/TG9, NP3J, NP3J/HI3, TI5EBU, TI5WFM, YN6WFM and YN6WW. If you need a QSL, use the address on QRZ.com.

NEW QSL MANAGER. Pedro, EA5GL, informs that he is the new QSL Manager for LU7HZ and KP4EIT.

II1A QSL ROUTES (Correction). Paul, F/I1RBJ, informs that his old II1A contest callsign between 1990 and 1996 has now be reassigned to IK1SPR (not IK1PSR as mentioned last week) starting with the forthcoming contests. So, PLEASE QSL to him. He is expected to be quite active. Paul states that he still receives request now and then for II1A. He has all the logs still, so if you still need a QSL, please QSL via his F/I1RBJ address.

JARL QSL BUREAU (New Address). As of October 1, 2011, the Japan Amateur Radio League's (JARL) QSL Bureau will have a new address. If you use the JARL QSL Bureau, please send your QSL cards to JARL QSL Bureau, 1324-3 Kanba, Hikawa-cho, Izumo-shi, Shimane 699-0588 JAPAN.

NEEDS SOME HELP. Alex, PY2SEX, needs some information about Cologne (Koln), Germany and/or any HAM Radio operators there because it is a good possibility that he may be moving there. He can be reached via his E-mail address at: py2sex@gmail.com

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 6W2SC, 9K2OK, AL7TC, BV100, F1ILA, FM/R5GA, FY5PO, HA3LI, IK2QEB, J5UAP, JA2MOG, JE1LFX, JH0INP, JH1HGC, JV5A, KP2/NY6X, OD5/DL6SN, OE3GCU, OL90FOLK, RU3EG, UA9CGL, VE6CMV, VP2ETN, YO3FRI, YT9M, ZP6CW and ZS2DK

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 4A4A, 8P9AA, 9H4JX, CP4BT, E51PMR, EY7AD, FO/F6CTL, HC1HW, SX5F, VK9NN and ZK2A

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 5D0IPY, 6Y1V, DJ3HJ, F5OW, F6EAO/P, FM5CD, FO8RZ, HA8TP, HH2/OH2TA, HR9/IK2QPR, LX1HD, OH3SR, OH4TI, OS6C, PA0GMW, PA123OLS, R8MC, RA34SI, RA3TT, RU3EQ, RV3LE, SK4TL, SO8A, SQ3LVO, TA2KN, TM6WRC, TN7C, UR5FA/MM, UT0EA, UT5UR, UX3MZ, VP2MNK, YT0A, YU7NW, YU7YG, YV5TX, Z36N, Z36W, Z37M, ZL1BYZ and ZL6LH

T2, TUVALU. With the "Pacific DXers" postponing their DXpedition to Nauru (see C2 above), the group has reorganzied their first DXpedition to Tuvalu (OC-015)to take place between November 11th and December 8th. Callsign will be T2T. Operators mentioned are Eddie/VK4AN, Bill/VK4FW, Eric/VK4NEF, Tim/NL8F, Jay/K4ZLE and Julian/W5SL. Activity will be on all HF bands, 160-6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. They expect to have at least 3 stations on the air with a dedicated station set up on 6 meters running in an interrupted beacon mode. QSL Manager is the Pacific DXers, or by the Bureau via VK4FW. Bureau requests are also accepted by E-mail to eliminate sending your QSL via the Bureau (saves time!). PLEASE NOTE: VK4FW is the current QSL Manager for Pacific DXers: Bill Horner, 13 McConnell Rd, Maidenwell, QLD 4615, Australia --or--
via E-mail: QSL-Mgr@pacific-dxers.com
If an InterNet connection (doubtful)can be established during the operation an online log will be updated on a regular basis, otherwise it will be uploaded as soon as they return home. LoTW and eQSL will be uploaded within 12 months after the operation finishes. For more details and updates, visit: http://c21.pacific-dxers.com/T2T.html
PLEASE NOTE: Operators K4ZLE, VK4AN, VK4FW, VK4NEF and W5SL will operate from Fiji prior to Tuvalu between October 26th and November 9th.

T32, CHRISTMAS ISLAND (Reminder). Just a reminder that members of the Five Star DXers Association (FSDXA) will activate T32C from Kiritimati (Christmas Island) between September 27th and October 25th. The T32C team will have no less than 41 operators, some of whom will be there for the whole period, others will be there for the first or second half. At any one time there will be around 30 operators on the island permitting them to operate round the clock on all bands with propagation and other factors permitting, two stations active on each of 80-10 meter bands. Internet access to and from Christmas Island is limited. However, logs will be uploaded to ClubLog (www.clublog.org) on a daily basis and any news posted with be on the T32C website. For more details/updates, visit their Web page at: http://www.t32c.com

V2, ANTIGUA. Bud, AA3B, will be active as V26K from Antigua (NA-100)
between November 24-28th. Activity will include the CQWW DX CW Contest
(November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. Outside of
the contest, activity will be all CW on the HF bands only. QSL via AA3B.

The following stations are expected to be active in the
CQ World Wide DX RTTY Contest (September 24-25th, 2011)

Thanks to Bill, NG3K, for providing OPDX readers with the following
consolidated listing of the participants in the 2011 CQWW DX RTTY Contest.
For a more detailed listing (and up-to-date changes/corrections) in HTML
format, please visit Bill's Web page at:
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cqr2011.html (By call sign)
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cqrd2011.html (By entity)
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cqrz2011.html (By zone)

Contest DXCC CQZ Class QSL
Callsign Entity Route

5C2P/p Morocco 33 M/? IK2PZC
6Y6U Jamaica 08 SOAB HP QSL via W1UE or Buro
9H3IP Malta 15 SOSB HA3JB Direct
BV100 Taiwan 24 M/? BV2KI
CN3A Morocco 33 SOAB LoTW
ED1R Spain 14 M/2 EA4RCH
ED5CEF Spain 14 M/M EA5CEE Direct
EE8E Canary Island 33 M/S LoTW
EF7R Spain 14 M/2 EA7AJR
ES9C Estonia 15 M/? ES5RY
HC1JQ Ecuador 10 SOSB 20M
HK1NA Colombia 09 M/M K6IPM
J28RO Djibouti 37 F8DFP
LM9L40Y Norway 14 SOAB HP LA8HGA
LS1D Argentina 13 M/2 LW9EOC
LX7I Luxembourg 14 M/2 LX2A
LX8M Luxembourg 14 M/?
RA0FF Russia (Asia) 19 SOAB LoTW; QSL via RA0FF direct
T8XX Palau 27 DL5AXX
VP9I Bermuda 05 M/?
W6HGF/KH0 Mariana Island 27 W6HGF
YV5KG Venezuela 09 SOAB YV5KG; Buro or direct

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new
FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the
following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced
mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send
mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE
OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=help>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=unsubscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-23 15:00:23 UTC
From: Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk
Message-ID: <20110923150005.CF91833C8E@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4150
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 25th September 2011

The news headlines:

* National Hamfest starts on 30 September

* T32C DXpedition to go ahead despite equipment difficulties

* RSGB Convention adds more lectures

Former BBC weatherman, Jim Bacon G3YLA will open the National Hamfest this year. The ceremony takes place at 10am on Friday, 30 September, when the main exhibition hall will open. Gates open at 9.30am for access to the Bring and Buy and Car Boot area. The Bring and Buy is bigger this year and arrangements have been made to speed up check-in. Forms may be downloaded from the website so that you can book in quicker. Check in is from 9.30, half an hour earlier than the main exhibition hall. If you are looking for a lift to the National Hamfest, or can offer one, e-mail clive@nationalhamfest.org.uk and your details will appear on the Car Sharing and Lifts page on the website. US microphone manufacturer Bob Heil will conduct a workshop each day of the show as part of the lecture stream. An interview with Bob can be downloaded from the National Hamfest website. Full details with directions are at www.nationalhamfest.org.uk.

The 5 star DXers Association's T32C expedition to Kiritimati due to start on 28 September has hit some logistical problems. The container with its 6 tonnes of kit got as far as T30, Tarawa, but onward shipping to T32 has proved impossible. The DXpedition will go ahead anyway because thanks to the global sponsor, Yaesu, ten FT-450D radios will be carried as luggage by the team along with several lightweight linears. The operators will also take enough hardware to set up verticals and vertical arrays for all bands 10 through to 160m. All the computer equipment was to be hand-carried in any case, so daily log updates to ClubLog will be unaffected. Unfortunately, unless the container makes an unlikely late arrival on the island, 6m EME will have to be abandoned, and they will not have the 4-square arrays for 30 and 40m. Keep an eye on the website at www.t32c.com for updates

The RSGB Convention takes place on 7 to 9 October and there is just 1 week remaining for bookings. The latest news from the programme is that Bob NQ1R from the ARRL will provide a virtual tour of the ARRL and Tom GM4DOZ will speak about radio astronomy and its roots in amateur radio. With the unfortunate difficulties the T32C DXpedition has getting

equipment to the island, the lecture from Steve Nichols on the reality of propagation to increase your chances of working this DXpedition is sure to be a popular one. Full details of the most up to date timetable, details of the lectures and booking information can be found at www.rsgb.org/rsgbconvention.

The British Astronomical Association is organising a 'meteor watch' exercise for the coming Draconids shower, between 7 and 9 October. It would be interesting to compare meteor scatter counts against activity reported by visual observers up and down the country. The Draconids are not normally a large event but are subject to occasional outbursts and there has been speculation that this year could produce one of these. Observations are requested across the three days: 7, 8 and 9 October. Preferably these would be around-the clock, but if this is not possible between 1500 and 2300UTC on the three days. Counts in 15-minute bins will be appropriate for most of the time but on the evening of 8 October, most likely between 1800 and 2100UTC the rates may be changing very quickly and so it would be advantageous to have the counts in 5-minute bins. It is very important that receiver settings and antenna alignment are kept constant throughout the period of observation. If possible, the beam of the antenna should be directed towards the mid-point of the great circle path joining the transmitter and receiver locations. Paul Hyde, G4CSD the BAA Coordinator for the Radio Astronomy Group, will be consolidating the observations into a single report which will be sent to all participants. Please contact him by e-mail at radiogroup@ britastro.org for further information on how to submit reports.

NASA is giving the public the power to vicariously journey through the solar system using a new interactive Web-based tool. The Eyes on the Solar System interface combines video game technology and NASA data to create an environment for users to ride along with agency spacecraft and explore the cosmos. Screen graphics and information such as planet locations and spacecraft manoeuvres use actual space mission data. You can begin your ride at http://solarsystem.nasa.gov/eyes/.

A new Newsletter has been launched to support the growing number of 5MHz operating permissions globally. The 5MHz Newsletter is edited by Paul Gaskell, G4MWO, one of the original RSGB 5MHz team. It aims to be both an accurate information source of news about 5MHz and a platform for exchange of ideas, be they theoretical, operational, constructional or just general comments about the band. You can freely access the 5MHz Newsletter from Google Documents at http://tinyurl.com/6fkhcmf. Although originating in the UK, the 5MHz Newsletter invites world-wide interest, both in readers and contributors. Understandably all that we ask is when contributing items of news concerning new 5MHz permissions or allocations, that the contributor can provide a means of official verification of such. It is hoped to produce the 5MHz Newsletter on a quarterly basis, its size being dependent of course on news and other relevant contributions from 5MHz operators and listeners around the world. For those without Internet access wishing to have a paper copy

of the 5MHz Newsletter, a Self-Addressed Envelope of sufficient size to take folded A4 sheets, together with adequate postage, or IRCs in the case of outside of the UK, will bring a copy of the latest edition. Requests should be addressed to G4MWO, who is QTHR in the UK Callbook and on QRZ.com

Did you know that a real life radio amateur was involved in the famous 1961 recording of Tony Hancock's The Radio Ham? His name was Alan Florence. He was just 18 years of age and was working as a recently appointed sound engineer at Star Sound Studios off Baker Street in London. These days he is also known on the bands as G7CDK and although he wasn't licensed back in 1961, Alan claims that the experience did have some influence on him taking the RAE in later years. Saturday 1 October will be the 50th anniversary of the Pye recording. The Radio Ham was never made for radio but not to be out done, the digital station BBC Radio 4 Extra will be broadcasting The Radio Ham and the equally famous Blood Donor between 1400 and 1500BST on Saturday 1 October. The shows can also be heard online at www.bbc.co.uk/radio4extra and on the BBC Radioplayer for seven days after transmission. Last year RSGB member and BBC presenter Jim Lee, G4AEH, brought Alan, G7CDK together with the show's iconic writers Galton and Simpson, to remember the events of the 1 October 1961. Extracts from the interview, in which the writers reveal why they chose the radio ham scenario will be broadcast as a series of shorts or fillers between the pre-recorded announcements, throughout the day.

There have been a few technical difficulties at the printers and, as a result, the October issue of RadCom will be posting a week late. Our apologies to Members but this is entirely out of our hands. The posting date of the November issue is unaffected and that will still post on Monday 17 October as planned.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

The National Hamfest organised by the RSGB in association with the Lincoln Short Wave Club takes place on Friday 30 September and Saturday 1 October. The venue is the George Stephenson Pavilion, Newark and Nottinghamshire Showground, Lincoln Road, Winthorpe, Newark NG24 2NY, which is close to the junction of A1/A46/A17. There will be trade stands, a Bring and Buy, special interest groups, an RSGB bookstall, lectures and a car boot area. Full details of the rally may be found at www.nationalhamfest.org.uk.

The RSGB Convention takes place at Horwood House near Milton Keynes on 7 to 9 October. Five lectures streams are available on both Saturday and Sunday, totalling 65 lectures to choose from. There is also a Partners Programme for those not interested in the radio events of the weekend with a trip to Stowe Landscape Gardens and Milton Keynes. Both UK and US exams are available over the weekend, see www.rsgb.org/rsgbconvention for full details.

Now for the news of special events

Throughout September, special event station GB2JB, will be on the air to commemorate the life and birth place of Jack Binns, radio operator of the Passenger Ship Republic in 1909. Operation will be from Coney Court, Brigg and is run by Brigg & District Amateur Radio Club.

The Crewe Heritage Centre ARC will be taking part in the Railways on the Air on 25 September. They will be operating two stations using SSB and Digimodes from the First Class carriage of the Advanced Passenger Train prototype that is on permanent display at the centre. Using GB4CHC the club hope to work as many stations as possible during the two days on all HF bands.

This year Justices of the Peace in England and Wales are celebrating their 650th anniversary of serving the community. The Scarborough Special Events Group will be on the air as GB650JP over the weekend of 1 and 2 October, to mark the anniversary. QSL cards will be sent via the Bureau. Anyone requiring a direct QSL can apply via the club callsign G0OOO. SWL listener reports are also welcomed.

To celebrate the 40th anniversary of HMS Belfast's arrival in the Pool of London, in October 1971, the London Group of the RNARS will be active as GB40HMSB between 1 October and 31 December. A commemorative QSL card will be available in the New Year. And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

A Belgian group plan to activate on Rockall, EU-189, around 27 or 28 September. Hoping for good weather and calm seas, during the four day voyage to EU189 they will be one the air as ON4ATW/MM. Details at www.rockall.be.

IN3VZE will once again be active from Malawi as 7Q7CE until 3 October. His operation will be holiday style on 10 through to 80 metres using SSB and RTTY. QSL via his home callsign, either via the Bureau or direct.

Operators from the Cambridge University Wireless Society will be active from Miquelon, which is IOTA reference NA-032, until 29 September. Look for FP/M0BLF, FP/G3ZAY, FP/G4EAG, FP/M0TOC, FP/M0VFC and FP/M1BXF all bands, CW & SSB.

A team of 8 amateur radio operators from Australia and the USA will be activating YJ0VK from Port Vila on Efate Island between 30 September and 12 October. Earlier updates indicate that the team will operate with 3 stations on bands from 10 to 160m, using CW, SSB and RTTY or PSK31. They do not have plans to activate 6m. The YJ0VK team has obtained authorization to operate on 60m.

Preparations for the large multi-national 3D2R DXpedition to Rotuma are going according to plan. They expect to be on the air from 27 September to 7 October. They will be active on 10 to 160m using CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK and SSTV, plus 6 and 2m EME, with a focus on Europe and Africa when propagation permits. QSL via YT1AD. www.yt1ad.info/3d2r/index.html.

Now the contest news

The 48 hour CQWW RTTY DX Contest comes to a close today, 25 September, at 2359UTC. The exchange is signal report and CQ Zone Britain is 14. Some rare countries ought to be active in this one. There are too many entry categories to list here though.

The Practical Wireless 70MHz Contest takes place for four hours today, Sunday 25 September, from 1200 to 1600UTC. It has sections for Low Power (10W max) and Full Legal. The exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

Tuesday 27 September sees the 50MHz UK Activity Contest take place between 1900 and 2130UTC. Using all modes, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator. At the same time on Tuesday 27 September the SHF UK Activity Contest takes place. Using all modes on the 2.3 to 10GHz bands, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

Thursday 29 September sees the CW leg of the 80m Club Sprint taking place from 1900 to 2030UTC. The exchange is both callsigns, serial number and name. The 1.2/2.3GHz Trophy Contest takes place for eight hours on Saturday 1 October. After several years of modest but steady participation, the number of entries to this event increased substantially last year, even though propagation was nothing special and the weather was awful. Using all modes from 1400 to 2200UTC, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The Oceania DX SSB Contest runs for 24 hours from 0800 on 1 October to 0800UTC on 2 October. QSOs with stations in Oceania are the only ones that count for points, which basically means working VK, ZL and the Pacific islands. The exchange is signal report and serial number.

The Worked All Britain HF Contest runs on 20m to 10m for 24 hours from 1200UTC on 1 October to 1200UTC on 2 October. Using all modes on the 14 to 28MHz bands, UK stations send a report, serial number and WAB area, while non-UK stations send report, serial number and DXCC country. Inter-UK QSOs do not count for points in this one.

The IARU 432MHz-248GHz Contest runs for 24 hours from 1400UTC on 1 October to 1400UTC on 2 October. The exchange is signal report, serial number and locator. The first six hours coincides with the RSGB 1.2GHz/2.3GHz Trophy Contest. From 1600UTC to 2000UTC the SSB leg of the EU Sprint takes place. Being a sprint, of course there's a QSY rule. It says that if you make a QSO as a result of calling CQ or QRZ, you then have to QSY a minimum of 2kHz before you can make another QSO. And please don't forget that the exchange includes both callsigns.

The 21/28MHz Contest takes place on Sunday 2 October. The planned deletion of this event from the contest calendar may have contributed to the substantial increase in entries in all sections last year. They are hoping for similar results this year. Taking place from 0700 to 1900UTC and using CW and SSB on the two bands, the exchange is signal report, serial number and district.

And now the solar factual data for the period from the 12th to the 18th of September, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on the 19th of September.

The Sun had many groups visible everyday, for example, the 15th had 11 groups visible. Many of these groups were producing C class solar flares. In total over one hundred took place. Most days an M class solar flare was expected but never took place, but on the 12th and the 14th a C9 flare occurred, failing by fractions to reach the M class category. Small sudden ionospheric disturbances took place along with a number of coronal mass ejections, one of which headed our way, more on the later. Solar flux levels increased from 124 units on the 12th to 150 by the 18th. The average was 135. The 90 day solar flux average on the 18th was 103, that's three units up on last week. X-ray flux levels increased from B5.3 units on the 13th to B9.2 by the 18th. The average was B6.9 units. The first disturbance arrived on the 12th when the Ap index was 27 units and 17 units the next day, this was in response to a coronal hole. As mentioned earlier, one of the coronal mass ejections arrived early on the 17th when the Ap was 32 units. The source was a C9 solar flare taking place on the 14th. There were some quiet days also, for example, on the 16th the Ap was only 2 units. The average was Ap 13 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds decline form 680 kilometres per second on the 12th to 350 by early on the 17th. Particle densities were low except for a brief rise to 18 particles per cubic centimetre on the 17th. Bz varied between minus and plus 3 nanoTeslas on the quieter days and between minus 12 and plus 14 nanoTeslas on the 17th. Once the disturbance of the 12th and the 13th had ended HF propagation reached or exceeded predicted values for most of the time, with 28MHz open at times and openings to all continents on 24MHz. On the 17th MUFs of around 33MHz were recorded.

And now the solar forecast. The Sun is going through a restructuring phase where what was the quiet side of the Sun is now the active side on its return a couple of weeks later. This week solar activity should be at low levels but there is the chance that activity could rise to moderate levels. Solar flux levels should be around the 120s or even higher. Geomagnetic activity is expected to be at quiet levels barring any Earth directed coronal mass ejections till towards next weekend when a small coronal hole disturbance is expected. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 26MHz for the south and 23MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be about 11MHz. Paths this week to the Middle East should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 29MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 24MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 1000 and 1500 hours.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your

transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS On Sunday 25 September, Hinckley Amateur Radio Society has a talk on Railways on the Air by John, M0JAV. Details from John, M0JAV, on 07836 731 544.

On Monday 26 September, Derby RAYNET Amateur Radio Group has no meeting as they are on RAYNET duties. Contact Martin, G7MKS, by e-mail at contactus@derbyraynet.co.uk

On Monday 26 September, Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronic Society will be contacting Brian, G4CIB and Leta, G4RHK on Lundy from the new shack. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Monday 26 September, Lincoln Short-Wave Club has a National Hamfest meeting at the Newark Showground. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Monday 26 September, South Birmingham Radio Society is holding a Field Day planning meeting and open night. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603. On Monday 26 September, Sutton Coldfield Amateur Radio Society has a general meeting. More information from Robert Bird, by email to spirit.guide@hotmail.co.uk.

On Tuesday 27 September, Derby & District Amateur Radio Society has a Night on the Air. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 27 September, Lincoln Short-Wave Club is preparing for the National Hamfest on site. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Tuesday 27 September, Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a practical evening. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Tuesday 27 September, Mid-Warwickshire Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on computer topics by Dave, G8UIO. Details from Don, G4CYG on 01926 424 465.

On Tuesday 27 September, Worcester Radio Amateur Association is holding a construction night looking at high altitude balloon construction. Details from Rich Moles, M0UVA, by e-mail to secretary@m0zoo.co.uk

On Wednesday 28 September, Lincoln Short-Wave Club is preparing on site for the National Hamfest 2011. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Wednesday 28 September, Midland Amateur Radio Society is holding a debrief and training classes. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 01214 229 787.

On Wednesday 28 September, Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a video evening. Details from Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday 29 September, Lincoln Short-Wave Club has more preparations for the National Hamfest. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Thursday 29 September, South Birmingham Radio Society is having training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Friday 30 September, Coventry Amateur Radio Society has a radio workshop planned. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

On Friday 30 September, Lincoln Short-Wave Club is at the National Hamfest in the Newark Showground. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Friday 30 September, South Birmingham Radio Society has a visit to the National Hamfest planned. Contact Don on 01214 581 603.

On Friday 30 September, South Birmingham Radio Society is having a construction evening. Contact Don on 01214 581 603.

On Saturday 1 October, Midland Amateur Radio Society has a visit to National Hamfest at Newark and Lincoln showground organised. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 01214 229 787.

On Saturday 1 October, South Birmingham Amateur Radio Society is visiting the National Hamfest at Newark and Lincoln Showground. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603. On Saturday 1 October, Worcester Radio Amateur Association has a club trip to the National Hamfest organised. Contact Rich Moles, M0UVA, by email to secretary@m0zoo.co.uk.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND On Monday 26 September, Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club has a talk at 7.30 pm. All welcome. Details from Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 0191 477 0036.

On Monday 26 September, Bolton Wireless Club has a talk on Software Defined Radio with Chris G4HYG and Ian G0CTO. For details, send an email to boltonwireless@gmail.com.

On Monday 26 September, Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is holding a Mini Fleamarket & Quiz or video night. Details from Peter Day, G3PHO, by e-mail to sarc@g3pho.org.uk

On Monday 26 September, South Manchester Radio & Computing Club is holding a technical forum. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Monday 26 September, Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society has a talk on Construction. Details on the web at www.tcars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 27 September, Chester & District Amateur Radio Society has an operating evening. Details from Barbara Green on 07957 870 770.

On Wednesday 28 September, Hambleton Amateur Radio Society (Northallerton) has a talk on Valve Theory by Tony, G8FLV. Details from Tony Wilson, G3MAE on 01609 881530

On Wednesday 28 September, Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is having an activity evening with a DVD. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Thursday 29 September, Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the 80m Club Sprint CW contest. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Thursday 29 September, Ripon & DARS is having an on the air and club night. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 0787 608 5631.

On Thursday 29 September, South Manchester Radio & Computing Club is having a talk on Flanders Swann by Graham, G8TXW. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Thursday 29 September, Wakefield & District Radio Society is having a social evening and going on the air from the HQ. Details from Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563 117.

On Friday 30 September, East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is holding a technical forum. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND No news items have been received for Northern Ireland this week.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday 27 September, Kilmarnock & Loudoun Amateur Radio Club is holding a club night. Contact Graham, MM3GDC, by email to mm3gdc@btinternet.com.

On Tuesday 27 September, Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is running Morse code practice. Information from Norman, on 07740 946 192.

On Wednesday 28 September, Lothians Radio Society is attending a talk on WWW - Words, Wires, Waves & the World-Wide Web at the Museum of Communication, Burntisland by Prof. Tom Stevenson. Details from Andy Sinclair, by e-mail to secretary@lothiansradiosociety.com.

On Thursday 29 September, Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is having a quiz. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA On Sunday 25 September, Coalhouse Fort Amateur Radio Society is holding an Open Day. Information from John Parker, M1DUC, by e-mail to coalhouserad1o@yahoo.com.

On Tuesday 27 September, Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is having an evening in the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Tuesday 27 September, Chelmsford ARS is having a club net night. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Tuesday 27 September, Dorking & District Radio Society has a talk on The STEPPIR Antenna by Rob Barter, M0ZAF. Contact Garth, G3NPC, on 01737 359 472.

On Tuesday 27 September, Harwell Amateur Radio Society is having a shack activity night. Contact Malcolm, G8NRP, on 01235 524 844.

On Wednesday 28 September, Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a night on the air with CW practice. More from Terry, G0VFW on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday 28 September, Crawley Amateur Radio Club has a talk on FFT's and the PC in your Shack. More information from John, G3VLH, on 01342 714 402.

On Wednesday 28 September, Hastings Electronics & Radio Club has a talk byJohn, G0MTJ entitles Baird revisited. Details from Gordon, on 01424 431 909. On Wednesday 28 September, Newbury & District Amateur Radio Society has a talk on The Effect of Solar Activity on Radio Propagation by Dr Lucie Green. Details from Rob, G4LMW on 01635 862 737.

On Wednesday 28 September, Norfolk Amateur Radio Club has an informal evening. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Wednesday 28 September, Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club will put GX3WOR on the air. Details from Phil, G4UDU on 01903 816 684.

On Thursday 29 September, Bittern DX Group has a club meeting at Pinewood Park Leisure Club. Details from Linda, G0AJJ, on 01692 404 154.

On Thursday 29 September, Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is holding a club night at the shack. Information from Lee, 2E1LJL on 01502 564 242.

On Thursday 29 September, Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the RSGB 80m Club Sprint CW contest. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV on 01603 898 678.

On Friday 30 September, Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society has a talk by Tony, G3NPF on home construction. Contact Peter, G4AKG, on 01444 239 371.

On Friday 30 September, Wimbledon & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on QRP and the FOXX-3 kit by Eric, G0KRT. Details from Andrew Maish, G4ADM on 020 8335 3434.

On Saturday 1 October, Crystal Palace Radio & Electronics Club continues its Foundation training course. Contact Bob, G3OOU, on 01737 552 170.

On Sunday 2 October, Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is holding the Sunday Morning Breakfast Meeting at the Goring Caf&#65533;. Details from Phil, G4UDU on 01903 816 684.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST On Monday 26 September, Bristol RSGB Group has a talk from Mike an historian from a well known government establishment in Cheltenham. Details from Robin, G3TKF, on 01225 420 442.

On Monday 26 September, Exeter Amateur Radio Society has a club night at the Moose Centre. Details from Nick, 2E0NRJ on 01363 775 756.

On Wednesday 28 September, Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is holding an on the air night. Information from Tony, G0WMB on 01454 417 048.

On Thursday 29 September, South Bristol Amateur Radio Club has an on the air evening. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

On Thursday 29 September, Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club has an activity night. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Friday 30 September, North Bristol Amateur Radio Club is holding a committee meetingDetails from Paul, on 0117 908 9795. On Friday 30 September, Torbay Amateur Radio Society has a club meeting. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES

On Thursday 29 September, Aberystwyth & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club night on the air with David, 2W0EDW on 145.500 then 145.550MHz. Details from Ray GW7AGG, on 01970 611 853.

911. [RAC-Bulletin] Special Event Station VA3IF - October 5-11, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-24 01:55:27 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4E7D3845.2040600@rac.ca>
Source record: 4151
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

Special Event Station VA3IF - October 5-11, 2011
2011-09-23

The Guelph Amateur Radio Club is once again setting up a special event station at the birthplace of Lieutenant Colonel John McCrae House in Guelph Ontario. John McCrae was the author of the poem "In Flanders Fields". The special event station, in honour of peace and remembrance, will operate from the McCrae House Museum from November 5 to November 11. We will be operating with the call sign VA3IF on 10m, 15m, 20m, 40m and 80 m, as well as IRLP, node 2260.

Terry Maurice
VE3XTM
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912. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #1029.1

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-24 13:56:15 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <750084.78452.qm@smtp106.sbc.mail.bf1.yahoo.com>
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Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW (Currently in Murfreesboro, TN)
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Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network OH2BN and N6PSE for the following DX information.

Press Release #3 from the 3D2R Rotuma DXpedition Team.

All 3D2R Team members have now assembled in Suva, Fiji. Upon our arrival, we learned that our shipping container is delayed in New Zealand. Fortunately, the team members have brought radios, amplifiers and antennas with them to Fiji. We will be able to run five stations and emphasize the low-bands as planned.

We are now preparing our ship for our two day voyage to Rotuma. We anticipate arriving in Rotuma late in the evening of September 27th and we expect to be active early on September 28th.

The 3D2R team wishes you good luck and good fun in working us.

Thank you,

The 3D2R Rotuma 2011 Team.

LATEST FROM MARKET REEF

Talking to Market Reef today found happy campers with everything working well and DL3DXX & SP5XVY getting ready to run the RTTY Contest multi-single. This will be the very first time OJ is activated for the CQWW RTTY Contest. Good luck on contacting OJ0X over the weekend.

The other two operators - DL5CW and DH7LA - continue to run two more stations, mostly on WARC bands plus 160M. The 160M Titanex of DL3DXX fame will be kept up for the next two weeks, and the follow-up group will keep 160M busy. The change of operator crew is scheduled for Tuesday, and the weather looks cooperative at this point. See the weather report: <http://www.g3txf.com/dxtrip/OJ0X/OJ0X.html>

The lighthouse has a new 3kW wind generator that keeps sixteen 200Ah batteries charged. When reaching the low limit, a 5kW generator automatically starts charging the batteries. The total available power is three times 5kW, that is 15kW. So this is why OJ0X is running three stations with amps without making their hands dirty:

<http://www.oh6vm.org/market/>

Also, the group is supported by a Finnish Lighthouse Society person who provides hot meals twice a day. Our DXpeditioners report good food quality and quantity.

A poor Internet connection eliminated log search updates last night but they will try again over the weekend.

It has been a great week of fighting against Mother Nature and making people happy on several odd bands and modes, such as 12M, and a lot of camaraderie among those working on the barren rock. That's when international DXpeditioning is always at its best.

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73 Jarmo OH2BN

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DX Chairman for the "Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society
ARRL Assistant Director of the Great Lakes Division
Sysop of the "Basic Amateur Radio Frequency BBS" (BARF80.ORG)

913. SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 25 SEPTEMBER 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-24 19:00:14 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <20110924190005.2A57133C8E@panix2.panix.com>
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SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 25 SEPTEMBER 2011

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. PLEASE NOTE: for audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 and 3,695 MHz SSB.

In the news today:

LOGBOOK OF THE WORLD TAKE PART IN INTECNET THIS EVENING

HAM RADIO DELUXE CHANGES HANDS

7P8 EME DXPEDITION NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting news items.

LOGBOOK OF THE WORLD TAKE PART IN INTECNET THIS EVENING

This evening at 19:30 the Intecnet will be held on a repeater near you. Join Chris Burger as he talks through the features and answers questions about the Logbook of the World.

Since the early days, amateurs have exchanged QSL cards to confirm contacts. Apart from the fun associated with colourful postcards from all over the world, the cards also provide a means of verifying claimed contacts for a wide variety of awards.

Large DXpeditions now make over 100 000 contacts. Confirming these contacts takes a large amount of work and expense. An electronic means of confirming contacts would eliminate much of the work and expense, and also reduce traffic through the world's QSL bureau.

Starting in 2001, the ARRL built a secure database called Logbook of the World, or LotW. Using LotW, it is very often possible to get confirmation of a DX contact within 24 hours, a far cry from waiting months or years for a card to arrive via the bureau.

One of the early proponents of electronic QSLing and the only non-American alpha tester on LotW was Chris Burger, ZS6EZ. Chris has placed over a quarter of a million contacts on LotW. He joins us tonight (25 September) to explain why participation makes sense and will explain the nuts and bolts of placing your own logs onto LotW.

HAM RADIO DELUXE CHANGES HANDS

Simon Brown, HB9DRV, has sold the rights to his popular Ham Radio Deluxe software package to a group consisting of Mike Carper, WA9PIE, Randy Gawtry, K0CBH, and Rick Ruhl, W4PC. All three principals have more than 25 years of experience with radio data communications. Rick Ruhl is the president of W4PC Software Inc. whose products include the PakRatt, PKTerm and Radio Operations Center software suites. Randy Gawtry is the president of Timewave Technology Inc. whose products include the PK and DSP families of data controllers and other commercial data products. Mike Carper is an experienced Fortune 500 technology executive, educator and featured speaker in the areas of wireless technologies and IT Service Management.

"Simon has done a fantastic job with this software," Carper said. "His vision for integrating rig control, rotor control, logging, digital modes, and satellite operations into a single integrated feature-rich software suite has captivated the ham radio community. We'd like to see this product continue in a way that respects the hard work put into this package by Simon and others, maintaining that vision, while delivering timely fixes and feature enhancements in the future, will be the number one priority."

"After many years writing the Ham Radio Deluxe software it's necessary to take a break and hand the whole project over to another team," said Simon Brown, HB9DRV. "The support effort required has become more than I can realistically manage, with many thousands of users, new radios and other hardware appearing all the time and unexpected changes to the infrastructure used by Ham Radio Deluxe such as QRZ.com. I no longer have any time at all for other projects. As some of you will know, I have formed a company called SDR-RADIO.com GmbH and I am now working in the Software Defined Radio arena with RFspace. This is the technology of the future; a future I want a part of. In 2012 I plan to return to England and get back on the air, something I haven't done much during the last 25 years."

The new owners are in the process of building a development environment for Ham Radio Deluxe and they plan to begin by addressing some of the bugs in the existing "To Do List" for an upcoming version 5.1 release. The 5.1 release, when completed, will be made available at no charge to registered users.

7P8 EME DXPEDITION NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT

The SARL fundraising for the 7P8 EME DXpedition has not yet reached the target of R10 000. Please support this event with your donation. Full details are on www.amateurradio.org.za/7p8.htm. This DXpedtion is a

record setting Expedition for EME, as far as infrastructure, equipment, band coverage & antenna systems are concerned, which has ever visited another country - all with mobile equipment. The group is covering all the VHF-UHF frequencies from 50 MHz to 1 296 MHz [excluding 4 metres].on EME.

RAE CLOSING DATE

Students are reminded that the closing date for registration for the Radio Amateur Examination is Monday 26 September. No late entries can be accepted.

RAE Instructors are reminded that the regulations that were in force before 1 April this year will be used in the examination as the final revised regulations are not available. Please ensure that students are aware of this.

More information on the RAE and the required forms can be found on www.sarl.org.za or call Mariska during office hours on 011 675 2393

SARL WEB PROPBLEMS CONTINUE

The SARL Council is painfully aware that there are problems with the SARL web. The team working on it believe that they will be able to stabilise the situation soon. When you cannot connect please try again a little later. The SARL apologizes for the inconvenience.

FOLLOW THE DRAKENSBERG HIKERS

Tonight, 25 Sept., the group of hikers start on the Grand Traverse, a 12 day hike in the Drakensberge. Johan Leslie, ZR4CAA, goes with and he will keep contact with John Longland, ZS6AA, at the base camp. John will also be active on KwaZulu-Natal 2 m repeaters and h requests amateurs on those repeaters to monitor the repeaters for any possible emergencies and then pass any QSPs to John, ZS6AA. If any battery power remains at the end, Johan will be available for chats from 07:00 on 1 October on 7,070 MHz. Go to www.crossroadsadventure.co.za beforehand for details and the communication procedure.

CQ HOU KOERS

CQ Hou Koers, the Voortrekkers' annual radio communications day, takes place on Saturday the 15th of October. Young people from across SA and Namibia will be active on the amateur bands. Please support them.

Radio amateurs are requested to offer their services to local Voortrekker groups. Because the day coincides with JOTA, it offers interesting opportunities for interaction between Voortrekkers and Scouts.

Enquiries may be sent to Andries, ZS6VL, whose email address is andries.visagie@natref.com.

ZS6JVT 40 METER YOUTH SPRING SPRINT

Although there were many stations active during the competition, it was very disappointing that only 5 logs were submitted. It can be questioned whether it will be worth while to continue with the competition, but next time it may be beter.

The results are as follows:

1st - ZS6JVT - 55 2nd - ZS44RK - 52 3rd - ZS6NGB - 38 4th - ZR6D - 29 5th - ZS2J - 23

The organizers of the ZS6JVT Youth Spring Sprint thanks all who took the trouble to send in log sheets.

CLUB NEWS

The West Rand Amateur Radio Club is hosting its next flea market at 12:00 on Saturday 08 October 2011 at the clubhouse in Kroton Street, Weltevredenpark, Roodepoort. Everyone is very welcome. For more information, contact Phillip, ZS6PV,T at 083 267 3835.

The East Rand Amateur Radio Club will have their second flea market for the year on the 1st of October 2011 at the Selpark primary school's sportgrounds in Pridgeon str, Selection Park, Springs. It will last from 11:00 till 15:00. For table bookings contact Judy, ZS6JDY, on 079 730 2030 or for more detail send an email to zs6jdy@vodamail.co.za. Hope to see you all there.

The East Rand Amateur Radio Club is proud to announce its new committee elected with their AGM on the 17th September as follows:

Chairman Francois Jacobs, ZS6COI Vice Chairmen Glynn Chamberlain, ZS6GLN &

Leon Lessing, ZS6LMG Honourory Treasurer Andre van Tonder, ZS6HE Secretary Judy Pretorius, ZS6JDY Web master Glynn Chamberlain ZS6GLN Repeater Custodian Hampie Findt

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP reports that solar activity has been high with one X-Class flare and multiple M-Class flares taking place about when the new sunspot rotates into view on the eastern limb. This region is not yet in prime position for earth directed Coronal Mass Ejections.

For the people doing their own frequency predictions the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 93.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of fun with DX opportunities at different times of the day.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS 25 September - Last day to enroll for the October RAE. 25 September - Intecnet tonight at 19:30. 26 Sept/7 Oct - ZR4CAA and ZS6AA active with Drakensberge hiking group. 1 October - East Rand Amateur Radio Club flea market starting at 11:00. 8 October - West Rand

Amateur Radio Club's flea market at 12:00. 15/16 October - Jamboree on the air. Till 31 October - ZL-stations with ZM prefixes and ZL4RUGBY and ZL6RWC on the air.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 750 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 18:30 CAT on 3 230 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by George, Z6SNE.

Thank you for listening, 73.
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========== Message Ends ========== To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp.

914. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 25th September 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-25 20:00:19 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20110925200004.39B4733C91@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4154
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 25th September 2011

Silent Key

It is with deep regret that we learned of the death of James Canning, father of Brian, EI8IU. James was buried last Wednesday 14th. Our sincere sympathy to Brian. Ar dheis D go raibh a anam.

Amateur Station Licence Exam

A final reminder that next Thursday, 29th September, is the closing date for applications to sit the next examination. The examination itself takes place on Friday 14th October. See www.irts.ie/exam for information about the exam and how to enter.

IRTS Youth Co-ordinator

Following the recent IARU conference in South Africa, members societies were urged to appoint a Youth Coordinator. At the last IRTS committee meeting held on September 10, Ger McNamara EI4GXB was appointed to the role.

Ger is seeking ideas from members on how to best generate interest in Amateur Radio among young people and can be contacted on 087 2532512 or ei4gxb /at/gmail /dot /com.

EI4GXB Radio Theory Notes

Ger EI4GXB advises us that he has uploaded files to the Radio Theory section of his website which he has used for the theory class last year in Limerick. They may be of help to any candidates sitting the examination in October. Go to www.ei4gxb.com for further details. Comments welcome to Ger on ei4gxb /at/gmail /dot /com

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Limerick Radio Club

Limerick Radio club have changed their club meeting night to Wednesday night going forward. The next meeting will be on Wednesday 12 October. Full details can be found on www.limerickradioclub.ie

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RSGB Convention

The RSGB convention takes place this year on October 7th, 8th and 9th. Full details from www.rsgb.org/rsgbconvention

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SEARG

There will be a meeting of SEARG next Monday, September 26 at 20:30. John, EI7IG will be giving a short presentation about his experiments with Photovoltaic Solar panels over the last number of years.

New Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club Committee

Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club elected a new Committee at its AGM on Wednesday past (21 September). The new Chairman is Tommy Nelson, Mi0RVH. Tommy came into amateur radio via the Club's Foundation course in February 2010, then Intermediate Course in February 2011, and the Advanced exam for a Full Licence in June past. The Club is proud of this and similar successes by its many new members, and is delighted that that one of them has become its Chairman. The vice Chairman is Herbie Gi6JPO, Secretary Michael Mi5MTC, and Treasurer Jamie 2I0MFB. The report at the AGM detailed progress and achievements in the past year, in which it had won the UK-Runner-Up Club of the Year Award. The Silver Anniversary Lough Erne Rally was also reported. The next Lough Erne Rally is set for a very easily remembered date - Sunday 1 April 2011. Michael Clarke Mi5MTC Secretary Lough Erne ARC Email mi5mtc/ at/ learc / dot/ eu

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Foyle & District Amateur Radio Club

Foyle & District Amateur Radio Club Annual Rally will be held on Sunday 6th November 2011 at 12.00 hours. Venue: Best Western White Horse Hotel, 68 Clooney Road, Derry, BT47 3PA Traders attending; TA Electronics, P&D CB & Amateur Radio Supplies, JBT Trading, MI3NIE Wire Antennas, Steven Boyd (Second Hand Radios), The Green Man,IRTS Stand, RSGB QSL Bureau.

DX News

There will be a short DXpedition to the Nagorno Karabakh district of Azerbaijan from 29 September until 2 October. The callsigns to look out for are 4K3K and 4J0K. These are the only valid callsigns in use in this district. QSLs go via RW6HS

For those who still need Market Reef for their DXCC there will be activity until 11 October. The callsign is OJ0X and the station will be manned by different teams of international DXers who will each spend a week on the reef.

Don't forget that the T32C expedition to Christmas Island will be happening very soon. Christmas Island is a Pacific Ocean atoll, just over 200 kilometres north of the Equator. The team are scheduled to arrive on the island next Wednesday 28 September. As soon as the stations are set up we can expect plenty of pile-ups as the worldwide DX fraternity try to get this one into their logbooks. Remember that two IRTS members are on the team in the shape of Paul EI5DI and Dave EI9FBB. Others in the team come from the UK, Germany, France the USA and Japan. For up to date news check out www.t32c.com. This is a major DXpedition, involving a team of up to 40 operators in all.

The original plan was to use 16 Yaesu FT DX 5000 rigs, each powering a 1kW amplifier. Unfortunately these rigs will not be delivered on time due to shipping difficulties, so the team is making do with FT-450D rigs and smaller amplifiers. The group's yagi antennas are also held up, so they will be using verticals and vertical arrays instead.

Another major DXpedition coming up is the joint US/Australian trip to Vanuatu. The callsign will be YJ0VK and dates for the operation are 30 September until 12 October. They will be on all bands 160-10m using CW, SSB and RTTY/PSK31. QSLs go via VK2CA.

4M from Slieve Bloom

Vinny, EI5GLB will be working 4mtrs from the Slieve Bloom mountains on Sunday 2nd October at approx 13.00 all are welcome to call in. Working conditions will be a Motorola cm140 25watts and a 1/4 wave dipole frequency 70.300mhz. Looking forward to getting reports de ei5glb.

Tiree Expedition (MS0WRC)

For the 8th year running members of the Workington Radio Club from West Cumbria are planning to visit the Hebridean Islands off the West Coast of Scotland. This year they will be joined once more by members of the Sands contest group from Morecambe in Lancashire and Brendan (EI6IZ).

The team of 11 operators will travel to the Island of Tiree (EU-008) on the 1st October and operate throughout the following week from their base in Caoles on the North East coast of the Island.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

915. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #1029.2

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-27 03:01:25 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <575611.87198.qm@smtp108.sbc.mail.gq1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 4155
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1029.2
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The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Special Bulletin No. 1029.2
BID: $OPDX.1029.2
September 26, 2011
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW (Currently in Murfreesboro, TN)
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX
Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet
Clusters Network G3XTT and OH2BH for the following DX information.

T32C Bulletin #5 (Press Release)
Aloha from Hawaii.
Some of you have noted that our Advance Party on Christmas Island
have been active from time to time this week, checking out propagation.
We are delighted to see that the solar flux has been high and T32C has
already worked Europe on 28MHz!

The remainder of the initial team is now assembled here in Honolulu
and I write this immediately following a team meeting at which we have
worked out the final details of logistics for getting to the island
and setting up for what will still be a large-scale operation. We have
10 Yaesu FT-450 transceivers and eight linear amplifiers, along with
the hardware to put up gain antennas for 10 through 80, and a big
vertical for 160. We also plan to install Beverages for receiving.
We particularly want to extend thanks to KH6OO and KH7U who have been
a great help to us here on Hawaii.

We fly to Christmas Island tomorrow, and it is likely there will be
no more operation until the weekend, as we get everything installed
and ready to go. In any case, we will aim to post any breaking news
to our website via the Captain Cook hotel's Internet facility.

Don Field G3XTT, (don.field@gmail.com) 26 September 2011
(FSDXA Publicity Officer)

Global Sponsor: Yaesu
Major Sponsors:
Martin Lynch & Sons, RedWeb Technologies, Nevada Radio
Major Club Sponsors:
RSGB Expedition Fund, ARRL Colvin Award, German DX Foundation,
CDXC (Chiltern DX Club, the UK DX Foundation)

VL: OJ0 PRESS RELEASE
TODAY MONDAY, SEPT.26 ON MARKET REEF, OJ0X

Sorry for the sad news that Nigel, G3TXF cannot make it to OJ0.
Its a magic place - you will miss a lot.

The team is in fine spirit and we have just up-loaded QSOs up to this point - totally 18,316.
And after all, we had succeeded with 2600 QSOs in CQWW RTTY, after terrible beginning.

See log search and more on OJ0X at QRZ.com

We were ready to start at 00:00z but with the first CQ the computer crashed and after restart microham did not work again. Took us hours to re-install everyhting but it did not help and after several hours we decided to go to sleep. In the morning Robert tried again and finally succeeded. We lost about 7 hours in the beginning and another hour when the Alpha 91B died and during short power cuts.

High bands were in good shape but hard to compete against all the high power stations in EU. Without internet and the possibility to find and work multipliers and without having a second station for multiplier hunting we do not have a chance for a top position. We simply could not get the second station working in RTTY.

Learning: Never use borrowed equipment in a contest that have never played together and not has been tested before :-)

Now we are up to the last day. The weather is still fine but more wind is predicted so we hope to meet the next team; Pekka, OH1TV, Miika, OH2BAD, Ilmo, OH2BO and Tapani, OH5BM tomorrow as they have left Finland and should arrive in Alands early on Tuesday morning.

73 and greetings from the team
Dietmar

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ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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916. ** MMMonVHF Newsletter / No.1 - WEEK 39/2011 **

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-27 08:32:58 UTC
From: MMMonVHF News Mailer <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <201109270829.p8R8T0OO012035@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 4156
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our lastet NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2011-09-27
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter, once a week (thursday)
from now on - if any special activities will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
** These week we will publish it on "TUESDAY" as exception! **
For further detail please be so kind and watch our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you vy welcome for any
input and we do hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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** QRT - JM1WBB **

It is a nightmare... Roke (Typhoon 15th) attacked my 2m array.
My 4XP32, all booms were broken and all vertical frame were
broken. I don't know now when I will be able to go back to EME.
http://gongon.com/JM1WBB/EME/Broken-4XP32.jpg 73
SOURCE: Isao / JM1WBB via [Moon-net]

** MS Propagation info from MMMonVHF for October **

This month the attention of meteor enthusiasts will be captured
by the return of Draconids meteor shower. In fact, several
Researchers have forecasted an Outburst of Draconids on October 8th
Even if no meteor storm is expected, there is a general consensus
that the evening UT hours of October 8 should produce ramarkable
Draconids activity. Many mathematical models predict the outburst
around 20h UT, but the ZHR level is hard to predict, though.
Usual Orionids shower and a good background of sporadic meteors
will ensure good opportunities for MS Dxing the rest of the month.
Have a look to shower predictions for October 2011 at our MMM
MS-Propagationpage: http://www.MMMonVHF/ms.php
SOURCE: Massimo, IV3NDC, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

** BIG GEOMAGNETIC STORM **

A strong geomagnetic storm is in progress following the impact
of a coronal mass ejection (CME) today, Sept. 26th, at approx.
12:15 UT. Analysts at the Goddard Space Weather Lab report a
"strong compression of Earth's magnetosphere" and the possibility
that satellites in geosynchronous orbit have been exposed to solar
wind plasma and magnetic fields. Mid- to high-latitude sky watchers
should be alert for auroras after nightfall. Observing tip:
The hours around local midnight are usually best for spotting
Northern and Southern Lights. Check http://spaceweather.com for
images and updates. SOURCE: http://spaceweather.com
PLEASE REMEMBER TO SPOT AURORA QSOs at www.MMMonVHF/aur.php

** MMMonVHF Meeting 2011 in / Danube valley JN48nb **

Maybe you have seen or heard about the Meetings of the TEAM
of MMMonVHF during past years. In 2011 the Team will meet at
Danube valley (near Erwin, DK5EW, JN48nb) - We do have a very
full programm during the sept.29th till oct. 2nd, but if any
chance we will show up on 144 MHz and/or in the different Chat!
As well we will trying some GEOCACHING and will set a Travel-
Bug to travel around the world in the name of MMMonVHF sept.30th
SOURCE: Guy, DL8EBW, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

** VHF-DATABASE at MMMonVHF (http://www.mmmonvhf.de/dbase.php) **

Still very few updated past weeks only - So we will remember again
to update the VHF-DATABASE at MMMonVHF. At mid of october we do plan
to spread a NEW ISSUE of our VHF-DATABASE to all DX-Cluster (and
USER which what it). So please be so kind and UPDATE IT NOW SOON!
LOGIN at MMMonVHF and follow the link to your Account >
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/usraccount.php than click on "VHF-DATABASE
Update" and update or set your info to the VHF-DATABASE! THANK YOU
SOURCE: Guy, DL8EBW, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: 7P8 ; Square: KG30 ; Start: 2011-09-16 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3942

7P8EME (Lesotho) was qrv from KG30VI on VHF (EME and MS)
LATEST NEWS by Carsten, DM1CG, dated 2011-09-26: 7P8EME is qrt now
first result overview: 50 = 5 , 144 = 286 , 432 = 23 , 1296 = 18
(in order MHz/QSO) - more later on: www.zs6arf.co.za/index.php
SOURCE: DL2NUD / 7P8HP / 7P8EME, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: R1F ; Square: LR90 ; Start: 2011-09-16 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=4011

RI1FJL, QTH locator LR90AO, from island Land Franca Iosifa in
144 MHz EME CW - LATEST NEWS from UA3MBJ Nik, via Juergen, DK3WG,
dated 2011-09-26: RESULT of RI1FJL until now: Sked = 54 / QSO = 25
The Following EME window with 08/10/2011 on 24/10/2011. QSL info
RX3MM: http://www.qrz.com All with many thanks for participation!
SOURCE: Nik, UA3MBJ via Juergen, DK3WG to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: UR ; Square: KN75-KN76 ; Start: 2011-09-20 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3988

The Team behind Vlad is happy to announce the next expedition
to the rare squares. LATEST NEWS from Vlad, US8ZAL, dated 2011-09-25:
The Group got qrv from KN75 today... QTH shall be changed on 27th.
SOURCE: tnx to US8ZAL, Vlad, direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** Mek, SP7VC, qrv from Lichtenstein, HB0, HF & 6m **

Mek, SP7VC, will be active as HB0/SP7VC on 25-31 October 2011 from
Liechtenstein. Bands: 160-10m plus WARC SSB, 6m if open - also
active in CQWW DX SSB Contest (29-30 October). Equipment will
consisted of: IC-746, HEX Beam, R-7 vertical, INV-L 160 and 80m,
3el yagi for 50Mhz, ALPHA 76A, PA 6m. QSL via home call, direct or
bureau. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW. [NG3K]
SOURCE: ICPO Bulletin (23-30 September 2011)

** San Andres Island qrv HF and 50 MHz **

Hello, I will be active as HK0/DL5YWM from San Andres Island
(IOTA NA-033) from 5th to 13th October. You will find me in CW/SSB
from 6 to 40m. A detour to Providencia (NA-049) will decided "last
minute". QSL via DL5YWM. 73, Daniel
SOURCE: Daniel, DL5YWM via VHF-Reflector

** Falkland Isl., VP8, qrv HF and 50 MHz **

Rich, G0ZEP, will be active as VP8DFR from the Falkland Islands
at the end of October. He plans to visit various hill top sites
from both the east and west islands, if he receives permission
to activate. QSL via his home callsign (see QRZ.com for more
details). SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1028

** Anguilla, VP2, qrv HF and 50 MHz **

Pete, VE3IKV/VA3RA, will be active (hopefully) as VP2ERA from
Anguilla between November 25th and December 3rd. His activity will
include an entry in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th).
Look for him on 40-10 meters during the contest, and on the 17m
and 12m bands (plus 10m and 6m) outside of the contest. QSL via
VE3IKV. SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1028

** Denmark, Amateur Meeting Fyn (ATF) 2010 **

November 6 th. *At *FKS Hallerne, Tranehï¿½jen 5, 5250 Odense SV,
Denmark.* Link to *Amateur Meeting Fyn (ATF)*
http://www.hamspirit.dk/news.php
website in Danish, and a travel guide can be found here
<http://www.hamspirit.dk/viewpage.php?page_id=21>.
The *UKSMG*will run a stand at this meeting, this year it will be
manned by 2E0IAF (OZ9SP) Simon, M1DUD (OZ3RE) Robin, Bjï¿½rn "Matt"
OZ6OM & possibly other group members. Besides from informing of
"the joy of Six", we will run a station under the call OZ50MHZ.
Mainly QRV at JT6m, proving Six meters is always open. */We might
be found round 50.230 MHz. between 09 and 15 UT./* If You are
attending the meeting, please drop in at the stand. Otherwise we
would be pleased to find You in our log.
SOURCE: CQ Six - 50 MHz DX News #20110921

** N7BHC arrived on PJ4 **

Hi all, FYI, I have moved to Bonaire (PJ4) a couple of days ago.
I'll be working here for many years with TWR (www.twr.org). I had
brought down a bunch of 6m, 2m, and 70cm gear. It will take a few
months to get settled into our house and the station and antennas
up, but I expect to have a nice station set up by the spring. 73s
SOURCE: Dave, PJ4/N7BHC via MoonNet

** NEWSLETTER-DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF week **

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next WEDNESDAY 2359 UTC ...

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The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF - Newsletter Credits & Info
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Our Newsletter is compiled from the input of the USER of the
VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF and as well by a lot of free usable
HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats

like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USER who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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917. 2011 International Humanitarian Award

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-27 15:16:34 UTC
From: ARRL Members Only Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
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ARRL INVITES NOMINATIONS FOR 2011 INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN AWARD

Nominations are open for the 2011 ARRL International Humanitarian Award http://www.arrl.org/international-humanitarian-award. The award is conferred upon an amateur or amateurs who demonstrate devotion to human welfare, peace and international understanding through Amateur Radio. The League established the annual prize to recognize Amateur Radio operators who have used ham radio to provide extraordinary service to others in times of crisis or disaster.

A committee appointed by the League's President recommends the award recipient(s) to the ARRL Board, which makes the final decision. The committee is now accepting nominations from Amateur Radio, governmental or other organizations that have benefited from extraordinary service rendered by an Amateur Radio operator or group.

Amateur Radio is one of the few telecommunication services that allow people throughout the world from all walks of life to meet and talk with each other, thereby spreading goodwill across political boundaries. The ARRL International Humanitarian Award recognizes Amateur Radio's unique role in international communication and the assistance amateurs regularly provide to people in need.

Nominations should include a summary of the nominee's actions that qualify the individual (or individuals) for this award, plus verifying statements from at least two people having first-hand knowledge of the events warranting the nomination. These statements may be from an official of a group (for example, the American Red Cross, The Salvation Army, a local or state emergency management official) that benefited from the nominee's particular Amateur Radio contribution. Nominations should include the names and addresses of all references.

All nominations and supporting materials for the 2011 ARRL International Humanitarian Award must be submitted in writing in English to ARRL International Humanitarian Award, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111 USA. Nomination submissions are due by December 31, 2011. In the event that no nominations are received, the committee itself may determine a recipient or decide to make no award.

The winner of the ARRL International Humanitarian Award receives an engraved plaque and a profile in QST and other ARRL venues.

Ron Tomo, KE2UK, from New York, was the recipient of the 2010 ARRL International Humanitarian Award. Tomo’s life exemplified Public Service through Amateur Radio,from providing phone patches during the

Vietnam War, providing communications support during 9/11 with MARS and the United States Service Command, as well as serving in the US Coast Guard Auxiliary as a Communications Officer playing a pivotal role during Hurricanes Katrina and Rita.

ARRL Nebraska Section
Section Manager: Arthur I Zygielbaum, K0AIZ
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918. Nominations Open for George Hart Distinguished Service Award

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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From: ARRL Members Only Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
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Nominations Open for George Hart Distinguished Service Award

The George Hart Distinguished Service Award may be presented by the Board of Directors to the ARRL member whose service to the ARRL's Field Organization is of the most exemplary nature. The Distinguished Service Award is named in honor of George Hart, W1NJM, long-time Communications Manager at ARRL Headquarters and chief developer of the National Traffic System.

Selection criteria include

Operating record with the National Traffic System; or participation within the Amateur Radio Emergency Service; or

Station appointments and/or leadership positions held within the Field Organization.

Procedure:

Nominations shall be accepted from anyone.

Nominations shall be submitted to the Membership and Volunteer Programs Manager at ARRL HQ by November 1.

Nominations should document as thoroughly as possible the nominee's lifetime activities and achievements within the Field Organization. It is expected that nominated candidates will have 15 or more years of distinguished service.

The Programs and Services Committee will serve as the Review Committee.

The Board of Directors shall make the final determination at its Annual Meeting in January.

The award shall consist of: An engraved plaque, a cover letter, and coverage in QST.

Nominations for the 2012 George Hart Distinguished Service Award and any related supporting material and letters of recommendation may be sent to ARRL Headquarters to the attention of Dave Patton, NN1N, ARRL Membership and Volunteer Programs Manager (nn1n@arrl.org) or to Steve Ewald, WV1X (wv1x@arrl.org). The nomination period continues until November 1, 2011.

ARRL Nebraska Section

Section Manager: Arthur I Zygielbaum, K0AIZ
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919. [DXNL] DXNL 1747 (Sep 28, 2011)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-27 22:04:21 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <4514975328.20110927235940@dxhf.darc.de>
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4J, AZERBAIJAN
Member of the Federation of Radio Sports Aserbaidschan and the
Safari DX Activators Club are planning a DXpedition to Nagorno-Karabakh
from Sep 30 until Oct 2. They will use the callsigns 4K3K, 4J0K and
4J0SFR, there are no other legal callsigns for this area.
QSLs for 4K3K and 4J0K via RW6HS (direct), 4J0SFR via 4J5T.

9A, CROATIA
9A/DO6SR and 9A/DO9ST are working in SSB and PSK31/63 on 80m/40m/15m/
10m and maybe also 2m from Kaptol until Sep 30. They were using 9A4P
in the CQWW RTTY Contest last weekend. QSLs via homecalls.
9A4P via bureau, LoTW eQSL, or direct to DO6SR (only for this contest).

A2, BOTSWANA
Sajid,VA3QY, will be active as A22EW from Sep 29 until Oct 18.
QSL via homecall.

CN, MOROCCO
The team of the 5C2 DXpedition has many problems with police, military,
power, antennas, etc. but they continue to be active until Sep 28.

FH, MAYOTTE, AF-027
Phill,F6GNT, is working in SSB on 20m-10m signing FH8NX until Mar 1,
2013. QSL via homecall, see also QRZ.com.

FR, REUNION, AF-016
Willi,FR/DJ7RJ, will be QRV from Reunion (AF-016) from Oct 4-26. Willi
plans to work mainly on the lowbands using a K2 with 500 watts amp
and an Inverted L antenna. QSL direct via CBA.

GM, SCOTLAND, EU-008
Paul,2E1EUB, is active again as 2M1EUB in SSB on 160/80m, via satellite
and on 2m until Oct 8. During the first week he will work from the Isle

of Skye (Western Scotland, EU-008, IOSA NH07, SCOTIA CN14, WLOTA 1626).
He will then move to the Cairngorms National Park (GMFF: Community 001)
in the eastern part of Scotland for the second week. QSLs via 2E1EUB.

JW, SVALBARD, EU-026
Karl,LA8DW, plans to show up from Svalbard (EU-026) again signing JW8DW
from Sep 28 until Oct 5. Logsearch at: http://www.logsearch.de
QSL via homecall, via bureau or direct (only with IRC and SAE).
The log will be uploaded to the LoTW as well.

V6, MICRONESIA, OC-010
V63DX (JA7HMZ) and V63T (JA7GYP) are going to become active in CW, SSB
and RTTY from Pohnpei (OC-010) on Oct 3-8.
V63DX via JA7HMZ, V63T via JA7GYP (direct).

VE, CANADA
The special event station CJ3A will be activated on all HF bands to
celebrate the centennial of "Parks Canada" (1911-2011) throughout the
month of October 2011. QSL via VE3LA.
More information about "Parks Canada" can be found at:
http://www.pc.gc.ca/progs/celebrations/index.aspx

YA, AFGHANISTAN
Les,WB8LES, is a pilot based in the FOB (Forward Operation Base) Shank
in Loghar province of Afghanistan. He is expected to show up as T6LB
in October using an Icom 7000 and a sloper antenna by AES. Times and
frequencies will be published on QRZ.com.

YJ, VANUATU, OC-035
A team of eight HAMs from Australia and the USA will be active as YJ0VK
from Port Vila on Efate Island (OC-035) between Sep 30 and Oct 12. They
will run three stations in CW/SSB/RTTY/PSK31 on 160m-10m (incl. 60m).
QSL via VK2CA. The log will be uploaded to LoTW after the DXpedition.
Updates can be found at: http://yj0vk.odxg.org/yj0vk2011/default.html

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Oct 1: EPC Russia DX Contest
Oct 1: Oceania DX Contest
Oct 1: California QSO Party
Oct 1: DARC HF-HELL Contest (80m)
Oct 1: European Sprint Contest
Oct 2: ON Contest 80m
Oct 2: RSGB 21/28 MHz Contest
Oct 2: Komi-Ruhrgebiet Memoriam QSO-Party

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
EU-008, GM/MM, Inner Hebrides: A group of English HAMs plans to show up
as MS0WRC from the Isle of Tiree (WLOTA 2232) from Oct 1-8.
QSL via G0MTD (bureau/direct).

EU-038, PA, Noord Holland/Friesland/Groningen Province group: Ric,PA/DL2VFR,
will be active mostly in CW from Ameland between Sep 30 and Oct 6.
QSL via DL2VFR (bureau/direct).

EU-042, DL, Schleswig-Holstein State North West group: German HAMs announced
to become active from Hallig Hooge (Ockenswarft,DLFF-013) signing DK0RZ
and DL0DFF in SSB/CW/PSK31 on the HF bands from Oct 5-8.
QSL via bureau (bureau/direct).

EU-065, F, Bretagne (Finistere North West) Region group: TM5Q will be QRV
from Quemenes (DIFM AT-039/FFF-027) in SSB/CW/PSK31 on 10m/15m/20m/40m
between Sep 30 and Oct 2. The QSL manager is F4ELI (bureau/direct).

EU-127, DL, Schleswig-Holstein State South West group: DJ4EL/p wants to work
from Helgoland-Duene (WLOTA 2130) on 12/17/40m from Sep 30 until Oct 3.
QSL via DJ4EL (bureau/direct).

NA-085, W4, Florida State North West group: K4L will be active from
St. George Island on the usual IOTA frequencies from Oct 5-9. He will
activate the lighthouse Cape St. Georges (ARLHS: USA-1057) as well.
QSLs can be requested online. See also QRZ.com.

Bandspots of the last 7 days

30m
OJ0X 10.123 2007Z via OH2BH (B)
UF6V/RK3PR 10.110 0542Z

20m
OZ0AV/p 14.260 1600Z EU-088
W4EON 14.342 1847Z SOTA W4/SH-020
VK6APZ 14.168 1630Z (d)

17m
SV2/OK1MAW/p 18.084 1201Z
VK0KEV 18.123 0625Z via JE1LET (d)
ZL4RUGBY 18.137 0610Z via ZL4PW (B), (L)

15m
5C2B/p 21.260 1626Z via IS0AGY (B), AF-068

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(L) = LoTW
(r) = bureau QSL via e-mail request

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

-08Oct 2M1EUB 1747 *
27Sep-10Oct 3D2R 1746
-Dec 3Y8XSA 1700/1717
Sep 3Z25ZJP 1745
29Sep-02Oct 4J0K.. 1747 *
22- 29Sep 5C2P.. 1746/1747 *
-31Sep 3Z176DORR 1744
-25Oct 5B50J 1700
-Apr/12 5Z4RH ? 1674

01Oct/02Oct 6Y6U 1746
16Sep-03Oct 7Q7CE 1745
-23Nov 7Q7HB 1717/1743
-30Nov 8J1MORSE.. 1731
-30Sep 9A/DO6SR 1747 *
-30Sep 9A/DO9ST 1747 *
-31Dec 9A11P 1723
-21Nov 9A20V 1743
-Sep 9J2KK 1682
-2012 9J2RI 1739/1742
NOW 9M2/KM9D 1731
LONGTERM 9N1FE 1740
SOON 9Q1EK 1669
-Nov 9Q6CC 1699

29Sep-18Oct A22EW 1747 *
-? A35CT 1741
-31Dec BP100 1684
-31Dec BV100 1684
16Sep-19Oct CE2/CX1EK 1746
01Oct-31Oct CJ3A 1747 *
-31Dec CW5RV 1711
-30Sep DR16BENE 1741
-Mar/13 FH8NX 1747 *
24Sep-29Sep FP/G3ZAY 1746
04Oct-26Oct FR/DJ7RJ 1747 *
-Jul/12 FR8NE 1710

-31Dec HB60LU 1711
20Sep-06Nov HF36POL 1746
-31Dec HG15IPA 1724
01Jan-31Dec HG200LST 1708
Sep -2013 HI3/KL7JR 1745
06Sep-16Nov HK3JCL 1743
NOW HL2/KC6STQ 1746
01Jan-31Dec IA7MM 1708
01Jan-31Dec II1ITA.. 1708
-31Dec II4LXV 1742
01Mar-30Sep IO4UI 1717

27Aug-02Oct IR2LV 1742
-2012 J28FJ 1739
-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul/12 J28RO 1683
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
-Oct JG8NQJ/JD1 (M) 1739

01Sep-30Sep K3GV/VY2 1743
05Oct-09Oct K4L 1747 *
25Sep-30Sep K9YNF/1 1746
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
-May/12 KH4/W5FJG 1728
POSTPONED KH5 1674/1705/1741
-31Dec LA200D 1713
-31Dec LZ85R 1721
27Sep/28Sep MM0RAI/p 1745
01Oct-08Oct MS0WRC 1747 *
01Sep-30Sep OE2XXM 1743
01Sep-30Sep OE5XXM 1743
19Sep-08Oct OJ0X 1746
24Sep-01Oct OZ/DL4AMK.. 1746

-Mar/12 P29FR 1742
30Sep-6Oct PA/DL2VFR 1747 *
01Jan-31Dec PA30.. 1708
30Sep-01Oct PG6MILL 1742
18Sep-15Oct PZ5LP 1664/1746
01Sep-30Nov R300ML 1743
-Dec RI1ANC 1708
SOON RI1F/UA1PBA 1740
-Sep/12 RI1FJA 1741
-Sep/12 RI1FJM 1741
-30Nov S550ACP 1745
NOW ST2AR 1745
01Sep-30Nov SU/HA3JB 1743
25Sep-10Oct SV5/LA4GY 1746
22Sep-30Sep SV9/DJ9XB.. 1746
29Aug-30Sep SV9/WB2GAI/p 1743

28Sep-26Oct T32C 1740/1747 *
-Nov T5/TA1AMC 1745
-Apr/12 T6BP 1746
-Nov T6FR 1742
Oct T6LB 1747 *
-Jun/12 T6MO 1733
-Nov T6SH 1734
18Sep-28Sep T8XX.. 1745
18Sep-30Sep TK/DF6ZY 1745
30Sep-2Oct TM5Q 1747 *
03Oct-08Oct V63DX.. 1747 *
-Dec VK0BFG 1741

-Mar/12 VK0KEV (Macq) 1700/1701
28Oct-31Dec VP9/N1SV 1747 *
29Oct-30Oct VP9I 1747 *

17Sep-04Oct W1UE/6Y5 1746
08Sep-30Sep W2WTC 1745
20Sep-30Sep W6HGF/KH0 1745
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
-14Nov XF1/K5ENS 1739
NOW XT2RJA 1712
26Sep-14Oct YJ0ABP.. 1746
30Sep-12Oct YJ0VK 1747 *
-Sep ZC4MIS 1732
-Sep ZD9GI 1691
19Aug-31Oct ZL4RUGBY 1741
-31Dec ZL50GH 1711
-Oct ZL6RWC 1744
-2012? ZS6KX/7 1740

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

A22EW via VA3QY
CJ3A via VE3LA
CO2NO via HA3JB (d)
ED5CEF via EA5CEE (B), (L)
EE7H via EA7AH
EE8E via (L)
EG8LM via EA8CNR (B), (L)
FG4NO via F4AVX (B)
FH8NX via F6GNT, QRZ.com
FR/DJ7RJ via DJ7RJ (d)
GB1LM via M0BFV
HG7T via HA7TM (B)
K4L via QRZ.com, (L)
KP4EIT via EA5GL
LM9L40Y via LA8HGA
LU7HZ via EA5GL
MS0WRC via G0MTD (B)
NH0Z via JJ2VLY (d)
OE90B via OE4RGC (B)
OJ0X via OH2BH (B)
OP4F via ON4AEF (B)
OX4OK via OK1JST (B)
P29ZL via W1YRC
P49X via W0YK (L)
PA/DL2VFR via DL2VFR (B)
HS0ZGQ via DK8MZ (B)
T6LB via WB8LES

T8XX via DL5AXX (B)
TM5Q via F4ELI (B)
V31AE via EB7DX (d)
V63DX via JA7HMZ (B)
V63T via JA7GYP (d)
VP9/N1SV via N1SV (B), USA SASE
VP9I via N1HRA
XX9CW via DK7PE (B)
YJ0VK via VK2CA (B), (L)
YT0WFF via YU7CM
2M1EUB via 2E1EUB
4J0K via RW6HS (d)
4J0SFR via 4J5T
4K3K via RW6HS (d)
4S7VK via DJ9ZB (B)
5W1SA via JA1DXA
7P8JK via WB6OJB
7Q7CE via IN3VZE
9A/DO6SR via DO6SR
9A/DO9ST via DO9ST
9H3IP via HA3JB (d)

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(*) = new QSL manager
(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) = e-mail request

QSLS arrived bureau: C31CT, DL0YLQ, F8CHM, H22H, HB0/DF7EF, K3MD, K8PO,
KK9A, NT2X, NU1AW, OF50RR, TM70LM, TM7T (ON7EQ), UX4U,
VP5T, YB0NFL, YC1LA, YI9PSE (N6NKT), YW5T (YV5JBJ),
ZD7XF (G3TXF), 6W1SJ (E73Y), 6Y9V (WE9V)

Logs: Pedro,EA5GL, has the log of following stations since 1997:
HC5WW, HC5WW/HC8, HD5J, HQ3J, HR3J, HR3/JA6WFM, JA6WFM/HC5,
JA6WFM/HI8, JA6WFM/TG9, NP3J, NP3J/HI3, TI5EBU, TI5WFM, YN6WFM.
All QSLs direct via EA5GL.

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http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxmb/2011

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http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxnl

920. [RAC-Bulletin] Correction: Special Event Station VA3IF - November 5-11, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-27 22:29:29 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4E824DF1.7020405@rac.ca>
Source record: 4160
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

Correction: Special Event Station VA3IF - November 5-11, 2011
2011-09-23

[Note: The corrected date in the subject line]

The Guelph Amateur Radio Club is once again setting up a special event station at the birthplace of Lieutenant Colonel John McCrae House in Guelph Ontario. John McCrae was the author of the poem "In Flanders Fields". The special event station, in honour of peace and remembrance, will operate from the McCrae House Museum from November 5 to November 11. We will be operating with the call sign VA3IF on 10m, 15m, 20m, 40m and 80 m, as well as IRLP, node 2260.

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VE3XTM
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921. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 19 - 25 September 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-28 01:30:06 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20110928013002.3DA6E33C8E@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4161
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.info

:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
19 - 25 September 2011

Solar activity ranged from low to high levels during the period. Activity was low during 19 - 20 September with C-class flares from Regions 1295 (N22, L = 057, class/area Ekc/550 on 23 September), 1296 (N26, L = 040, class/area Dai/130 on 15 September), and 1301 (N19, L = 330, class/area Eso/210 on 21 September). Activity increased to moderate levels on 21 September due to an M1 x-ray flare at 21/1223Z. A further increase to high levels occurred on 22 September with an X1/2n flare at 22/1101Z from Region 1302 (N12, L = 282, class/area Fkc/1300 on 24 September) as it rotated into view. The X1 was associated with Types II/IV radio sweeps, a Tenflare, and a non-Earth-directed CME. Activity decreased to moderate levels on 23 September with low-level M-class flares from Regions 1295 and 1302. Activity returned to high levels on 24 September with three major flares from Region 1302: an X1/2b at 24/0940Z associated with Types II/IV radio sweeps, a Tenflare, and a halo-CME; an M7/1f at 24/1320Z, with a much faster partial halo CME that appears to overtake the previous CME; and an M5 at 24/2036Z. Finally, an M3 flare from Region 1302 at 24/1921Z had an associated Type II sweep, Tenflare, and partial-halo CME (estimated P.O.S. speed 632 km/s). Activity decreased to high levels on 25 September with Region 1302 and 1303 (S28, L = 034, class/area Cso/070 on 25 September) both producing multiple M-class events.

A greater than 10 MeV proton event at geosynchronous orbit began at 23/2255Z in response to the X1 flare on 22 September and was in progress at the close of the summary period.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at normal to moderate levels during 19 - 21 September. Fluxes decreased to normal levels during 22 - 25 September.

Geomagnetic activity was at quiet levels during most of the period.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
28 September - 24 October 2011

Solar activity is expected to be at moderate to high levels with more major flare activity from Region 1302 until it crosses the west limb on 03 October. Activity is expected to decrease to low levels during 04 - 19 October.On 20 October, activity is expected to increase to low - moderate levels with the return of Region 1302 for the remainder of the forecast period.

There will be a chance for another proton flare from Region 1302 until it departs the visible disk on 04 October. No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit for the remainder of the period.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at normal to moderate levels during 28 September - 03 October. An increase to normal to high flux levels is expected during 04 - 05 October due to CH HSS effects. Normal to moderate fluxes are expected during 06 - 10 October as CH HSS effects subside. Fluxes are expected to rise to normal to high levels from 11 - 15 October due to CH HSS effects. 1A return to normal to moderate background levels is expected from 16 - 24 October.

Geomagnetic activity is expected to be at unsettled to active levels on 28 September as CME effects subside. A decrease to quiet levels is expected on 29 - 30 September. Activity is expected to increase to quiet to unsettled levels during 01-02 October due to a coronal hole high-speed stream (CH HSS). A return to quiet levels is expected during 02 - 07 October. Activity is expected to increase to quiet to active levels during 08 - 11 October as another CH HSS disturbs the field. A return to predominantly quiet levels is expected for the remainder of the period.

922. The ARRL Contest Update for September 28, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-28 07:08:40 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20110928041626.00FD625A35@bmail.arrl.org>
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The ARRL Contest Update

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- A Well-Scoped Website
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NEW HF OPERATORS - THINGS TO DO

If you enjoyed the Texas QSO Party <http://txqp.net/> last weekend, the
California QSO Party <http://cqp.org/> or CQP is another great warm-up
for contest season (as are all of the big state and regional QSO
parties) and provides for a lot of county-hunting fun. All 58 counties
will be active to one degree or another including some that are hard to
work. The Pennsylvania <http://www.nittany-arc.net/> and Arizona
<http://www.azqsoparty.org/> QSO parties follow hot on California's
heels, too. Or turn your beam towards the South Pacific for some
Oceania DX Contest <http://www.oceaniadxcontest.com/> fun!

BULLETINS

There are no bulletins in this issue.

BUSTED QSOS

No tarnish has been reported on the previous issue.

CONTEST SUMMARY

Complete information for all contests follows the Conversation section

Oct 1-2
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- PSK Rumble - The Fall Classic
- EPC Russia DX Contest--Digital
- Oceania DX Phone Contest--Phone
- Worked All Britain HF Contest--Phone
- California QSO Party
- EU Autumn Sprint--Phone
- RSGB 21/28 MHz Contest
- ARS Spartan Sprint--CW (Oct 4)
- Fall VHF Sprints--432 MHz (Oct 5)

Oct 7-8

- SNS and NS Weekly Sprints--CW (Oct 7)
- DX/NA YLRL Anniversary Party (Oct 7)
- Makrothen RTTY Contest
- Oceania DX CW Contest
- Scandinavian Activity Contest--Phone
- Arizona QSO Party
- EU Autumn Sprint--CW
- Pennsylvania QSO Party
- FISTS Fall Sprint--CW
- North American RTTY Sprint
- SKCC Weekend Sprintathon--CW
- 10-10 Sprint (Oct 10)

==> NEWS, PRESS RELEASES, AND GENERAL INTEREST

There are new fingertips at the editorial helm of the National Contest Journal <http://ncjweb.com/> as Kirk Pickering K4RO takes command from Al Dewey, K0AD. Kirk has written the popular "Contesting 101" column for several years and brings years of contest experience to the job. He's also the current president of the Tennessee Contest Group <http://www.k4ro.net/tcg/> and is a regular high-scorer in major contests. Kirk also plays a number of instruments and is a founding member of the Spurious Emissions <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FhGy6vUZbME>.

A new record for solar flux (a GOOD record) in sunspot cycle 24 was reached at 2000 UTC on Sep 24 according to the Penticton observatory <http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpmenu/lists/radio.html>. Tomas NW7US observes, "(the) Last time the radio flux was at this level was 2003-Nov-02. That's over eight years ago!"

The CQ Worldwide Contest's "Xtreme" category will have a new entrant this year from the KP2B team <http://www.kp2b.org/> of WP3A, KP2BH, KP4TR, K2DER, WP3C, and KP4WW. You can learn more about their plans as they develop from the website. Perhaps your club could put together an "xtreme team"! (Thanks, Jaime WP3A)

It's not just us - everybody likes to build things! In the furniture business, it's referred to as the IKEA Effect <http://neoacademic.com/2011/09/22/unfolding-the-ikea-effect-why-we-love-the-things-we-build/>

by which people value their own home-assembled pieces more than ready-built. I'm sure that kit owners feel the same way.

HamJam 2011 <http://www.hamjam.info/> kicks off again this year on October 22nd. Held in Roswell, the one-day event features a great lineup of speakers and leaves plenty of time for enjoying the area and socializing.

NASA reports that solar flares (like the one that happened on Monday) may affect Earth <http://science.nasa.gov/science-news/science-at-nasa/2011/19sep_secretlives/> even more than previously thought! The secret is in the extreme UV data showing a large amount of energy being emitted well after the main event. Here is a video <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EFTQTI12Cpk> showing a big flare at many different high-energy wavelengths - I don't think sunblock lotion would be of much help! (Thanks, Tom K1KI and Tim K3LR)

The next PileUP! on-line magazine <http://www.helsinki.fi/%7Ekorpela/PU/PU.html> will have as its theme, "The Last Blast". You can see the editors busily preparing the issue in the photograph! All contributions are welcome in any dimension - except time as the deadline is 15 December. (Thanks, Ilkka OH1WZ)

Another changing of the guard was announced for the QRP ARCI <http://www.qrparci.org/> as long-time contest manager, Jeff VA3JFF turns over the reins to Jim K9JWV. The QRP ARCI contest program is a great way for new contesters to get started. (Thanks, Jim K9JWV)

A little Sweepstakes history - the oldest domestic contest, beginning in January 1930, it was called "The All-Section Sweepstakes Contest". It was truly a relay contest with 1 point for sending a complete message with at least 10 words of text in correct message format and 1 point for receiving a similar message. Most stations worked were not in the contest and had to be schooled (on the air) on the desired info exchange. 68 sections were possible and 48 sections participated. The contest ran for 14 days on 80, 40, and 20 meters - mostly CW but some phone entries. The first winner was W1ADW with a whopping 153 QSOs in 43 sections - when did he have time to sleep? (Thanks, SS Manager, Larry K5OT)

For those of you up too late and for whom a reckoning of rambling ruminants has not produced the desired result, Bill K2TT recommends this document of Federal procedures <http://www.ntia.doc.gov/files/ntia/publications/manual_5_11.pdf> related to RF spectrum allocation.

Curious minds want to know - what is the name of the clever combinations of phonetics that makes a phrase out of a ham call sign? For example, WJ1B (ARRL COO, Harold Kramer) becomes "Works Just One Band". Harold suggests "hamonym" and there is no obvious other "-nym word <http://www.fun-with-words.com/nym_words.html>" but perhaps your

editor is just a big nymcompoop.

Web Site of the Week - The annual Jamboree On The Air (JOTA)
<http://www.scouting.org/scoutsource/international/programenrichment/jota_joti.aspx>
happens this year on October 15 and 16. During this annual event Scouts
and Guides all over the world speak to each other over Amateur Radio.
Most Scout stations depend on local volunteer efforts of hams. You can
help set up a station, volunteer your own station, or just answer calls
on the air from scout stations. Help demonstrate Amateur Radio to
Scouts from either end of the contact!

WORD TO THE WISE

Shunt - as in "shunt-fed tower
<http://new-ham-radio.blogspot.com/2010/07/shunt-fed-tower-what-is-that.html>",
means a component connected in a parallel circuit so that current can
bypass some other component or connection. Shunt connections are often
from an energized conductor to ground. To "shunt-feed" means to use an
impedance-matching circuit connected between an antenna's feed point
and a ground system.

==> SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

You may remember "Come and Join Us on the Airwaves" by Andrew-John OZ5E
and his wife Lissa who were filmed singing at various heights on a
tower with the beautiful Danish countryside in the background. They've
just updated the video to HD and you can view it here
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=p8TXmwOpjJs>! (Thanks, Bill WA6ITF)

Al AD6E recommends the videos of obsolete technology from the Museum
of Obsolete Objects, <http://www.youtube.com/user/MoooJvM> particularly
the rotary telephone and abacus. The telegraph key is listed as having
been made obsolete in 2007 but that would be news to the hams I'm
listening to on 10 meters at the moment!

What's the latest with K1JSS' Dash, the Dog-faced Ham
<http://dashtoons.com/>? There's always something interesting with Dash
such as his trendy new radio and the Giant Opera Lady Antenna at the
North Pole.

==> RESULTS AND RECORDS

Dink N7WA has just published the Soapbox
<http://www.eskimo.com/%7Emwdink/3830/> comments from the CQ Worldwide
RTTY and Texas QSO Party contests. What's the post-contest scene? Find
out from these compilations of scores submitted via the 3830
<http://www.hornucopia.com/3830score/> claimed-score reporting web
site.

The preliminary results of the July 2011 NAQP RTTY
<http://www.ncjweb.com/naqprttyprelim.php> contest are posted online.
Congratulations to AA5AU for top Single-Op and W6YX for top Multi-Two
scores. (Thanks, NAQP RTTY Manager, Mark K6UFO)

The preliminary results for the recent North American CW Sprint <http://www.ncjweb.com/sprintcwprelim.php> can be found on the NCJ website. Congrats to Steve, N2IC/5, on his victory. (Thanks, NA CW Sprint Manager, Tree N6TR)

The eleventh USA ARDF Championships <http://www.wb8wfk.com/2011_ARDF_WEB/index.html> and sixth IARU Region 2 ARDF Championships have just wrapped up in Albuquerque, New Mexico. You can learn about the competitions on the Homing In <http://www.homingin.com/farsnews.html#albq> website, maintained by Joe K0OV.

Preliminary results of last month's Worked All Europe DX CW Contest <http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/contest/waedc/en/results/cw/> can now be found online. (Thanks, WAE DX Contest Manager, Joerg HB9/DL8WPX)

Who's the fastest operator? Has anyone ever run a 300-hour on CW? Or a 500-hour on Phone? You can find out on the top rate list <http://www.qsl.net/oh1noa/rates.htm> maintained by OH1NOA. This list includes CW and SSB rates calculated both by clock hour and from "best 60 minutes". (Thanks, Jim AD1C)

If you are wondering about the overall history of contest scores, browse on over to the K5TR Contest Score database <http://www.k5tr.net/scoredb>. George K5TR and a team of volunteers have entered hundreds of thousands of line scores from many major contests <http://www.k5tr.net/scoredb/contest_list.php> dating back into the 1970's in some cases. Of course, you'll enter your own call first - we all do - but this is a very useful search tool for all sorts of purposes. There are many more contest scores to be entered! If you would like to volunteer or just find out what's involved, email George <geoiii@kkn.net>.

OPERATING TIP

Today's tip from new Sweepstakes Manager, Larry K5OT works not only for Sweepstakes but for many domestic contests in which even a Little Pistol can be plenty loud. "If you are new contester or if it's been a while since your last one, don't spend all of your time searching and pouncing to find stations to work. Find a clear frequency high in the band and call CQ! Keep it short - like a 1-by-2 : CQ SS KAY FIVE TANGO RADIO, KAY FIVE TANGO RADIO CONTEST. If someone answers, work them and call CQ again. If you get a 'THIS FREQUENCY IS BUSY' or 'QRL', don't be upset. Spin the dial and find another spot to land. Keep the transmissions brief and frequent, and you will be surprised at how many stations will find you."

==> TECHNICAL TOPICS AND INFORMATION

The best gorilla hooks <http://www.rescuetech1.com/iscritrecoveryhooknew.aspx> Dave AB7E knows about "are extremely strong (check the specs) and very light weight (only one pound each). I use three of them ... two on the end of climbing straps so that I am never disconnected from the tower while

climbing, and a third one on my belt so that I can cinch myself up close to the tower while working." Dave particularly likes them because, "The throat opening is large enough to get around the cross braces on my AN Wireless heavy duty tower, and also around the 2-inch diameter mast when I get to the top of the tower."

A better and less expensive choice than carbon composition resistor for most applications that require high peak surge capacity and low inductance is the Ohmite "OY" series <http://www.ohmite.com/catalog/pdf/ox_oy_series.pdf> of ceramic composition resistors. These can be used as antenna or transmission line terminations or static discharge resistors. (Thanks, Paul, W9AC)

Tony K1KP recommends a delta loop as a low-band antenna with vertical polarization but that does not need a good ground. "An equilateral triangle, apex up, fed λ-wavelength from the top, will give vertical polarization. The bottom leg of the delta loop can be only a few feet off the ground and it provides the 'ground return' for the antenna. The impedance of a single loop is around 100 ohms and can be matched with an electrical quarter wave of 75-ohm coax."

Here's a topic that I know we all wrestle with from time to time - wires. More accurately, the large number of wires involved with "wireless" and their management. This problem has been multiplied by the addition of computers to the station, so listen in as the Slashdot <http://ask.slashdot.org/firehose.pl?op=view&type=story&sid=11/09/18/034254> crowd discusses the problem from the network point-of-view.

Ramsey Kits has updated their venerable 555 timer kits <http://www.allspectrum.com/store/ultimate-555-timeroscillator-kit-through-hole-p-7999.html>
- these are useful for all sorts of timing jobs and are easily modified or adapted to custom jobs. These new kits use terminal blocks for connections which is more convenient than having to solder directly to the board. There are both through-hole and SMT versions.

Nuts and Volts sells a kit for a small bench-type supply <http://store.nutsvolts.com/home.php?cat=422> that supplies +5 V and +/-12 V. This supply is a very useful item for testing and breadboarding analog and digital circuits.

When your radial field is limited to short distances from the base of the antenna, a roll of mesh is equivalent to a large number of individual radials - with the further advantage that you can roll them all up at once. You can read NC0B's Ham Radio article <http://www.sherweng.com/documents/GroundScreen-sm.pdf> in which he compared several different layouts for a given amount of mesh. (Thanks, Ian GM3SEK)

Here's a link to a Microsoft blog <http://blogs.technet.com/b/next/archive/2011/09/09/microsoft-garage-download-mouse-without-borders.aspx>

that announces release of a new app that allows a single mouse to be used with multiple Windows computers. Pat W5VY thinks this may have potential for use in SO2R (Single-Op, Two Radio) stations.

Hams have club houses, the do-it-yourselfers have "hacker spaces". This should all look very familiar and attractive to hams. There is probably a hacker space near you if you live in a suburban or metropolitan area, such as LVL1 <http://www.lvl1.org/about/> in Louisville, KY. (Thanks, George K5KG)

Technical Web Site of the Week - Tektronix veteran <http://www.vintagetek.org/>, Don W7WLL recommends the YouTube videos by W2AEW <http://www.youtube.com/user/w2aew?blend=21&ob=5> as really good tutorials on using an oscilloscope for ham radio measurements. He also has an excellent video at the same site titled "Scopes For Dopes" - it is an excellent tutorial for those who are daunted by the oscilloscope.

==> CONVERSATION

Elmer Tried

It's the start of the northern hemisphere's season of major contests and that occasionally leads some of our more competitive peers to leave the straight and narrow. Doctor Beldar decided a song was in order and here is his degradation of Merle Haggard's famous, "Mama Tried <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ffHcGlF0xDw>".

73, Ward N0AX

The first thing I remember knowing,
Was the filaments a-glowing,
And a Novice dream of Yagis way up high.
Seeking plaques of walnut brown,
In my ham shack hunkered down,
No-one could change my mind but Elmer tried.

Once a contest wonder child,
>From a ham club, meek and mild:
My Elmer seemed to know what lay in store.
Despite all my license learning,
Towards DQ, I kept on turning.
'Til Elmer couldn't hold me anymore.

And I turned twenty-one unlicensed, ticket down the toilet bowl.
No-one could steer me right but Elmer tried, Elmer tried.
Elmer tried to show me better, but his teaching, I denied.
That leaves only me to blame 'cause Elmer tried.

That old Heathkit, rest its soul,
Couldn't take the contest load;
So I replaced it with some three-hole shoes.

Logging spots with calls I guessed
Rubber-clocking all the rest
Elmer tried to raise me right but I refused.

And I turned twenty-one unlicensed, ticket down the toilet bowl.
No-one could steer me right but Elmer tried, Elmer tried.
Elmer tried to show me better, but his teaching, I denied.
That leaves only me to blame 'cause Elmer tried.

==> CONTESTS

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An expanded, downloadable version of QST's Contest Corral in PDF format <http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar> is available. Check the sponsor's Web site for information on operating time restrictions and other instructions.

HF CONTESTS

PSK Rumble - The Fall Classic--Digital, from Oct 1, 0000Z to Oct 1, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50. Exchange: Name and call area (see Web site). Logs due: Oct 31. Rules <http://www.n2ty.org/>

EPC Russia DX Contest--Digital, from Oct 1, 0400Z to Oct 2, 0359Z . Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: EPC member nr or serial and grid square. Logs due: Oct 17. Rules <http://www.epc-ru.ru/>

Oceania DX Phone Contest--Phone, from Oct 1, 0800Z to Oct 2, 0800Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RS and serial. Logs due: Nov 7. Rules <http://www.oceaniadxcontest.com/>

Worked All Britain HF Contest--Phone, from Oct 1, 1200Z to Oct 2, 1200Z. Bands (MHz): 14-28. Exchange: RS, serial, DXCC entity or WAB area. Logs due: Oct 23. Rules <http://www.worked-all-britain.co.uk/>

California QSO Party--Phone,CW, from Oct 1, 1600Z to Oct 2, 2200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50,144. Exchange: Serial and state/prov/"DX" or CA county. Logs due: Oct 31. Rules <http://www.cqp.org/>

EU Autumn Sprint--Phone, from Oct 1, 1600Z to Oct 1, 1959Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Exchange: Both call signs, serial, name. Logs due: 15 days. Rules <http://www.eu-sprint.com/>

RSGB 21/28 MHz Contest--Phone,CW, from Oct 2, 0700Z to Oct 2, 1900Z. Bands (MHz): 21,28. Exchange: Serial and UK district. Logs due: Oct 17. Rules <http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2011/r2128.shtml>

ARS Spartan Sprint--CW, from Oct 4, 0200Z to Oct 4, 0400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Monthly on the first Monday evening local time. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, and power. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.arsqrp.blogspot.com/>

SNS and NS Weekly Sprints--CW, from Oct 7, 0200Z to Oct 7, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-14. Weekly on Thursday evenings local time. Exchange: Serial, name, and S/P/C. Logs due: 2 days. Rules

<http://www.ncccsprint.com/rules.html>

DX/NA YLRL Anniversary Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Oct 7, 1400Z to Oct 9, 0200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: Serial, RST, and section/province/country. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.ylrl.org/>

Makrothen RTTY Contest--Digital, from Oct 8, 0000Z to Oct 9, 1600Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Multiple operating periods. Exchange: 4-character grid square. Logs due: Nov 14. Rules <http://home.arcor.de/waldemar.kebsch>

Oceania DX CW Contest--CW, from Oct 8, 0800Z to Oct 9, 0800Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RST and serial. Logs due: Nov 7. Rules <http://www.oceaniadxcontest.com/>

Scandinavian Activity Contest--Phone, from Oct 8, 1200Z to Oct 9, 1200Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RS and serial. Logs due: Oct 23. Rules <http://www.sactest.net/>

Arizona QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Oct 8, 1600Z to Oct 9, 0600Z and Oct 9, 1400Z to Oct 9, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28, 50,144. Multiple operating periods - See website for frequencies. Exchange: RS(T) and AZ county or S/P/C. Logs due: Oct 31. Rules <http://www.azqsoparty.org/>

EU Autumn Sprint--CW, from Oct 8, 1600Z to Oct 8, 2000Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Exchange: Both call signs, serial, name. Logs due: 15 days. Rules <http://www.eu-sprint.com/>

Pennsylvania QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Oct 8, 1600Z to Oct 8, 0500Z and Oct 10, 1300Z to Oct 10, 2200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50,144, Frequencies: CW--40 kHz above band edge and 1.810; SSB--1.850, 3.825, 7.200, 14.280, 21.380, 28.480. Exchange: Serial and ARRL/RAC section. Logs due: Nov 14. Rules <http://www.nittany-arc.net/>

FISTS Fall Sprint--CW, from Oct 8, 1700Z to Oct 8, 2100Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, name, FISTS number or pwr. Logs due: 30 days. Rules http://www.fists.org

North American RTTY Sprint--Digital, from Oct 9, 0000Z to Oct 9, 0400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Exchange: Both call signs, serial, QTH, name. Logs due: 7 days. Rules <http://www.ncjweb.com/>

SKCC Weekend Sprintathon--CW, from Oct 9, 0000Z to Oct 9, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50. Monthly on the second Sunday local time. Exchange: RST, QTH, name, SKCC nr or "none". Logs due: 5 days. Rules <http://www.skccgroup.com/>

10-10 Sprint--Phone,CW,Digital, from Oct 10, 0001Z to Oct 10, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 28. Exchange: Call, name, 10-10 number, S/P/C. Logs due: Oct 25. Rules <http://www.ten-ten.org/>

VHF+ CONTESTS

Fall VHF Sprints--Phone,CW,Digital, from Oct 5, 7 PM to Oct 5, 11 PM. Bands (MHz): 432. Exchange: 4-character grid square. Logs due: 4 weeks. Rules <http://www.svhfs.org/>

PSK Rumble - The Fall Classic--Digital, from Oct 1, 0000Z to Oct 1, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50. Exchange: Name and call area (see Web site). Logs due: Oct 31. Rules <http://www.n2ty.org/>

California QSO Party--Phone,CW, from Oct 1, 1600Z to Oct 2, 2200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50,144. Exchange: Serial and state/prov/"DX" or CA county. Logs due: Oct 31. Rules <http://www.cqp.org/>

Arizona QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Oct 8, 1600Z to Oct 9, 0600Z and Oct 9, 1400Z to Oct 9, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28, 50,144. Multiple operating periods - See website for frequencies. Exchange: RS(T) and AZ county or S/P/C. Logs due: Oct 31. Rules <http://www.azqsoparty.org/>

Pennsylvania QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Oct 8, 1600Z to Oct 8, 0500Z and Oct 10, 1300Z to Oct 10, 2200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50,144, Frequencies: CW--40 kHz above band edge and 1.810; SSB--1.850, 3.825, 7.200, 14.280, 21.380, 28.480. Exchange: Serial and ARRL/RAC section. Logs due: Nov 14. Rules <http://www.nittany-arc.net/>

SKCC Weekend Sprintathon--CW, from Oct 9, 0000Z to Oct 9, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50. Monthly on the second Sunday local time. Exchange: RST, QTH, name, SKCC nr or "none". Logs due: 5 days. Rules <http://www.skccgroup.com/>

==> LOG DUE DATES

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- September 28 - WAE DX Contest, SSB <http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/contest/waedc/en/rules/>
- September 30 - AGCW Straight Key Party <http://www.agcw.org/en/?Contests:Straight_Key_Party>
- September 30 - Kansas QSO Party <http://www.ksqsoparty.org/rules/>
- September 30 - Hawaii QSO Party <http://karc.net/OperatingEvents/HawaiiQSOParty/HIQSOPartyRules.html>
- September 30 - ALARA Contest <http://www.alara.org.au/contests/31st-alara-contest-rules/>
- September 30 - Russian District Award Contest <http://rdaward.org/rdac1.htm>
- October 1 - Feld Hell Sprint <http://sites.google.com/site/feldhellclub/Home/contests>
- October 1 - Ohio State Parks on the Air <http://parks.portcars.org/ospota/wp-content/uploads/2010/12/ospota-rules-2011.pdf>
- October 2 - Scandinavian Activity Contest, CW <http://www.sactest.net/>
- October 3 - SARL VHF/UHF Analogue/Digital Contest <http://www.sarl.org.za/public/contests/SARL_2011_Contest%20Manual_issue_9.pdf>
- October 3 - Colorado QSO Party <http://www.ppraa.org/coqp/2011%20COQP%20Rules%2011-1.pdf>
- October 3 - Russian RTTY WW Contest

<http://www.qrz.ru/contest/detail/93>
- October 3 - CIS DX QPSK63 Contest
<http://www.cisdx.srars.org/cisdxc.pdf>
- October 4 - QCWA Fall QSO Party <http://www.qcwa.org/qso-party.pdf>
- October 4 - International G3ZQS Memorial Straight Key Contest
<http://www.fists.org/straightkey.html>
- October 5 - MI QRP Labor Day CW Sprint
<http://www.qsl.net/miqrpclub/contest.html>
- October 6 - Tennessee QSO Party <http://tnqp.org/wp/?page_id=11>
- October 9 - WAB 144 MHz QRP Phone
<http://wab.intermip.net/Contest%20Rules.php#OtherRules>
- October 9 - PODXS 070 Club Jay Hudak Memorial 80m Sprint
<http://www.podxs070.com/80-meter-jay-hudak-memorial-sprint>
- October 10 - AGCW VHF/UHF Contest
<http://www.agcw.org/en/?Contests:VHF-UHF_Contest>
- October 10 - SARTG WW RTTY Contest
<http://www.sartg.com/contest/wwrules.htm>
- October 11 - Swiss HTC QRP Sprint <http://www.htc.ch/node/138>
- October 11 - QRP ARCI VHF Contest
<http://www.qrparci.org/content/view/4789/118/>
- October 11 - FISTS Get Your Feet Wet Weekend
<http://www.fists.org/getfeetwet.html>

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==> HURRICANE IRENE: BEAST OF THE EAST

Scorned by Florida, Irene vented her fury on the rest of the east coast
and many inland areas. Reports from Section Managers and other key ARES
leaders on critical aspects of response efforts follow.

Hurricane Irene produced a significant impact across Massachusetts,
Vermont, and much of New York and New England. Tracking of Hurricane
Irene started when the system was in the Bahamas, and Turks and Caicos
Islands and the National Hurricane Center "cone of uncertainty," which
is a cone that describes track uncertainty for the center of the
hurricane to reach a particular location, covered much of southern New
England on Tuesday, August 23. During this timeframe, the first
coordination message to Amateur Radio and non-Amateur Radio SKYWARN
Spotters, Emergency Management and other agencies was posted to the
SKYWARN email list covering the National Weather Service Taunton,
Massachusetts coverage area. Messages were issued once per day through
Thursday, August 25 and were increased to two messages a day on Friday
as Tropical Storm and Hurricane Watches and Warnings were posted for
the region. These messages were also posted via Facebook and Twitter as
listed under the WX1BOX, Amateur Radio station at the NWS Forecast
Office, social media Web sites and on the WX1BOX home page
<http://www.wx1box.org/> so that spotters could prepare and then be in
position to report severe weather conditions.
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>From an ARES perspective, a call between the Section Emergency Coordinator, Assistant Section Emergency Coordinators and senior ARES staff members was held Tuesday evening. This ramped up to the entire staff of DECs, ASECs and the SEC by Wednesday evening and were held nightly with two calls held on Saturday. A follow-up call was held late Sunday afternoon. The Western Massachusetts section also participated in the calls and coordination between the Eastern and Western Massachusetts ARES SECs took place throughout the event.

Eastern Massachusetts ARES was placed on stand-by on Thursday, with deployments all day Sunday, August 28. The Eastern Massachusetts ARES Stand-by Status was lifted the following Tuesday when conditions across the area had improved sufficiently that no further agency requests were anticipated and power slowly returned to people in the region. Information on the ARES stand-by and agency deployments was posted to the Eastern Massachusetts ARES web site <http://ares.ema.arrl.org/>.

In the Eastern Massachusetts section, two town EOCs and one school Amateur Radio station serve as control points within the section to maintain contact with the various ARES and SKYWARN Nets in the region. They are located in the town of Acushnet (WA1EMA) led by South Coast Massachusetts EC Ed Caron, KA1RSY, the town of Bridgewater led by Assistant SEC Carl Aveni, N1FY, and at the Dexter-Southfield School/Clay Center Observatory in Brookline, Massachusetts (WX1CLA/W1CLA) led by Metro Boston DEC Marek Kozubal, KB1NCG. In addition, the National Weather Service Forecast Office in Taunton (WX1BOX) was also staffed with Amateur Radio operators that included Eastern Massachusetts SEC Rob Macedo, KD1CY, John Bacon, K1JWB and soon to be licensee Nick Snow. Coordination took place between WX4NHC, the Amateur Radio station at the National Hurricane Center in Miami, Florida, and the WX1BOX NWS Taunton Amateur Radio station.

In the Western Massachusetts section, SEC John Ruggiero, N2YHK, placed ARES on stand-by on Friday, August 26. Amateur Radio operators supported a minimum of 12 EOCs in his section. In the commonwealth of Massachusetts, there is no county government and counties only represent a geographical collection of towns so staffing takes place at the local and town level with some smaller cities and towns having one EOC centrally located between them. Also staffed were the Pioneer Valley Chapter of the American Red Cross where staffing was continuous from Sunday, August 28, through Friday, September 2, the Greenfield Community College Regional EOC and the Berkshire Medical Center in Pittsfield, Massachusetts. In terms of shelters, a minimum of 11 shelters were staffed across western Massachusetts.

Several dozen local city and town EOCs were also staffed in the Eastern Massachusetts section. The city of Boston EOC was staffed with Amateur Radio operators for the first time in an actual storm related event. In the past, it had only been staffed during the Boston Marathon and major events such as the Democratic National Convention in 2004. Several regional Red Cross shelters were staffed with Amateur Radio operators across the section. This included seven shelters and the Red Cross

headquarters on Cape Cod and three shelters and a Red Cross base outside of Cape Cod. Cape Cod DEC Frank O'Laughlin, WQ1O, led Cape Cod ARES operations. In addition, North Shore ARES supported the Beverly and Bay Ride Hospitals and the Peabody, Massachusetts EOC. Assistant SEC Jim Palmer, KB1KQW, and North Shore DEC Eric Horwitz, KA1NCF, led these operations. The Cape Ann Amateur Radio Association supported the Gloucester EOC and the Gloucester Hospital with hams at each location. South Shore DEC Phil McNamara, N1XTB, reported numerous town EOCs staffed including the towns of Carver and Mansfield. Also, for the first time, the FEMA Region 1 Maynard Federal Response Center was staffed with an Amateur Radio operator, Kate Murphy, KB1USO, Metro Boston EC, providing a link to their center for the first time in a storm related incident.

One of the major roles ARES and SKYWARN play in the commonwealth of Massachusetts is providing situational awareness and disaster intelligence information during a weather event and in a hurricane it is no different. ARES-SKYWARN operations lasted 19 hours. In the 19 hours of activation, amateurs at the NWS Taunton Forecast Office handled several hundred reports of wind damage, storm surge, flood measured rainfall and wind reports from across the entire coverage area, which is all of Massachusetts except for Berkshire County, Rhode Island, Northern Connecticut and Southern New Hampshire. Approximately a dozen SKYWARN nets were stood up across the region to support the reporting from all areas. These reports were distributed to state and federal emergency management officials as well as the media. At the height of the storm, over 600,000 were without power in Massachusetts with over 1,000,000 without power in Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Connecticut combined. Measured wind gusts between 70 and 80 mph were reported by Amateur Radio operators and this information was sent directly to the National Hurricane Center via the VoIP Hurricane Net <file:///%28http:/www.voipwx.net>http://www.voipwx.net <http://www.voipwx.net/>, which was merged with the Echolink/IRLP New England Reflector <http://new-eng.com/> system.

Some amateurs were directly impacted by the storm with trees falling on their houses from the high winds and many hams lost power but were able to remain on the air through emergency power backup. Amateur Radio operators were key in providing what was happening during the hurricane in near real-time to public safety officials. This was particularly true in Western Massachusetts where major flooding shut down major highways such as Interstate 91 and almost cut off entire towns in Franklin County and parts of the hill-towns of northwestern Massachusetts. Some of those first reports of major flooding came from Amateur Radio operators.

Western Massachusetts SEC N2YHK alerted Eastern Massachusetts ARES on the potential need for ARESMAT support to Franklin County as one shelter was filled to capacity and a second shelter was opened with communications in the area spotty due to hilly terrain and the stress the flooding had caused on the communications infrastructure.

Lessons

Irene's impact to the region was that of a strong tropical storm/minimal category 1 hurricane. Its large wind field that expanded to between 250 and 300 miles along with its heavy rainfall caused significant issues over a widespread area from North Carolina through New York and New England. It shows that all tropical systems are dangerous and there is little difference between a strong tropical storm versus a minimal category 1 hurricane particularly where the wind field is as large as Irene and the tremendous amount of rainfall the system had.

Over 200 amateurs supported the operation between deployments and SKYWARN Net support in Eastern Massachusetts. At least 65 amateurs from Western Massachusetts participated by providing services in direct support of those deployed in the field. There were many more that provided storm reports and net assistance, as well as supporting logistics and administration. After action reports are still being compiled. They will eventually be posted to the Eastern Massachusetts ARES <http://ares.ema.arrl.org/>Web site, Western Massachusetts ARRL <http://wma.arrl.org/news.php> web site and the NWS Taunton SKYWARN WX1BOX <http://www.wx1box.org/>Web site with notifications sent over Facebook and Twitter as well. These reports will include the the names of amateur operators that deployed to the various agencies and other lessons learned from Hurricane Irene. [Contributors: Mike Neilsen, W1MPN, former Eastern Massachusetts SM and OES; John Ruggiero, N2YHK, Western Massachusetts SEC; principal author Rob Macedo, KD1CY, Eastern Massachusetts SEC, ARES SKYWARN Coordinator for NWS Taunton Massachusetts, and Director of Operations for the VoIP Hurricane Net; and Carl Aveni, N1FY, Eastern Massachusetts ASEC and Assistant ARES SKYWARN Coordinator for NWS Taunton Massachusetts].

North Carolina

In North Carolina, Section Manager Bill Morine, N2COP, reported that commercial network infrastructure remained largely intact, but emphasized "that this was the first large scale disaster in the state since ARES EC and higher appointments required ICS 100, 200, 700 and 800 training and certification." Morine said that "55% of the state's 100 counties now have ICS-credentialed ECs, and there are almost 400 ICS-credentialed operators in ARES. The result was that emcomm assignments were effected like clockwork in conjunction with our primary served agency: North Carolina Emergency Management (NCEM)." Morine said that "after the storm passed, many ICS credentialed ARES personnel reported to the agency's Eastern Branch Regional Coordination Center (RCC) in Kinston, where communications for the affected areas in the Outer Banks were being handled. This was the first time in the state that we also had several COMM-Ls (Communications Unit Leader) being used. This storm response validated the NIMS/ICS system, and showed that it's working well here in North Carolina."

Morine thanked the state's operators: "Much appreciation goes to the thousands of operators across the state who got on the air to help with

Hurricane Irene emergency communications. Hams in the northeastern counties and on the Outer Banks saw tremendous damage. The Tar Heel Emergency Net <http://www.ncarrl.org/nets/THEN/index.html>(THEN) was on the air almost continuously."

"Disasters like Hurricane Irene cause repeaters to light up as new and inactive operators gather on air with reports but also to find out what's going on. It's important we all welcome such operators but they may need gentle reminders about when to identify, to wait for courtesy tones, allow for time between transmissions, and to observe Net Control Station (NCS) instructions during directed nets, especially on repeaters designated for ARES or SKYWARN. During declared emergencies and activations, nets should function with order. Many government officials as well as the public listen to Amateur Radio repeaters on scanners, so we always should be at our best." -- Bill Morine, N2COP, North Carolina Section Manager

North Carolina Governor Beverly Perdue, taking time to speak to ARES EC Tom Brown, N4TAB, and company during her visit to the North Carolina Emergency Operations Center, offered her personal thanks for the support that Amateur Radio provided. -- Raymond Woodward, K3VSA, Public Information Coordinator, North Carolina ARRL

Connecticut

In Connecticut, veteran Section Manager Betsey Doane, K1EIC, reported that Hurricane Irene "sure visited" her state/section: "We have not had an emergency of this scale in some time." Preparations in the state began with SEC Wayne Gronlund, N1CLV, ASEC Rod Lane, N1FNE, and K1EIC convening a net of ARES and NTS ops to review plans and procedures for the emergency and to update all on the status of the SEC's plans for activation. More than 80 operators checked in.

"We do not have county government in the state," Doane said. "Our Section is divided into five Emergency Management regions. During the hurricane, SKYWARN nets were activated every two hours and NWS stations were also operational. SKYWARN DEC Steve Williams, K1SJW, and his net managers and net control stations performed yeomen's work coordinating and controlling the many nets. There were 98 check-ins from Hartford and Tolland counties alone. The operator of WX1BOX at the National Weather Service Office in Taunton, Massachusetts, checked into the Hartford Tolland county nets on the 146.79 MHz Pioneer Valley Repeater Association repeater throughout the storm. WX2ALY at the National Weather Service Office in Albany, New York checked into the Litchfield County nets through the 147.285 MHz Southern Berkshire ARC repeater in Sharon that is tied into the KB1AEV system. SKYWARN nets in Windham County used the K1VSC W2LK Airmail system to send reports to the NWS office in Taunton, Connecticut SKYWARN, ARES leadership and DEMHS Region #4.

DECs in each region reported that they had hams in several EOCs and at Red Cross shelters. Linked repeater systems were all active and used

shared resources. Both Flexnet and State Police packet networks as well as some Winlink RMS's were fully operational. Doane said her emcomm team "is very appreciative of our repeater and digital system owners and operators who are committed to public service. It takes a lot of work and expense to run these systems." She reported that "we kept our membership informed on the air and through our ARES reflector and Section Web sites when we had Internet availability."

Doane's leadership team, which is affectionately called "the CALC," the CT ARES Leadership Council, met regularly on the air to share status updates. Unfortunately, some clubs lost power at repeater sites and others lost entire repeater systems.

On the NTS side, all nets were active with great participation. A welfare message was given to Doane by ASM K1HEJ from an op in Vermont inquiring about his brother in Milford. Doane couldn't get through on the phone but new DEC WA1SFH successfully delivered the message in person and got a "good news" reply back.

ARRL PIC KA1WPM distributed news releases about ARES operations and participated with the SM and SEC in a Web conference with ARRL staff conducted by ARRL Emergency Preparedness Manager W5MPC. Doane thanked the ARRL staff for their vigilance and continuing offers of support.

Connecticut ops were commended by emergency management directors and Red Cross shelter managers across the state for their

outstanding communications work. New relationships were formed in the Section. Amateur Radio communications with the city of Stamford led by EC WB2RYV, who participated in planning meetings with city officials, is one example.

Eastern Pennsylvania

In Eastern Pennsylvania, Section Manager Eric Olena, WB3FPL, reported that "shelters in most counties were open for two to three days with lack of power being the main concern. There was flooding in only a few areas."

New Hampshire

New Hampshire Section Manager and SEC Al Shuman, K1AKS, was situated at the State EOC and saw firsthand both on the HF and VHF sides how well things went: "We had a number of repeaters go down as electricity failed. I was impressed on how well our troops dealt with adversity to keep things going."

Over two hundred members of New Hampshire ARES responded to the call-up in the days just prior to Hurricane Irene with some advance VHF nets being activated on Friday afternoon and a number of shelters and the State of New Hampshire being manned on Saturday. All 12 ARES Groups representing ten counties were represented. "We were asked to provide situation reports via both HF and VHF nets to the State EOC, which were

directly fed into the State's WebEOC <http://esi911.com/esi/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=14&Itemid=30> data base. Damage from the storm was primarily in the northern and northeastern part of New Hampshire with significant road erosion and collapsed bridges. The southern part of the state was plagued with sporadic losses of electricity. No deaths were reported in New Hampshire. NH-ARES and their served agencies worked seamlessly to our agreed operational plan."- Al Shuman, K1AKS, New Hampshire SM/SEC

ARRL and W1AW

ARRL HQ went into monitoring mode on Irene long before she made landfall in North Carolina. Thanks to Angel, WP3GW, Public Information Officer for ARRL's Puerto Rico Section, we were getting reports on Irene as she made her way across Puerto Rico and the Caribbean.

On Tuesday August 23rd the ARRL HQ Emergency Response Team went into monitoring mode for Irene. The decission for activation came later in the week as Irene's path became more certain.

ARRL hosted conference calls for Section officials in Irene's path and issued daily updates on related activities. Irene's impact on the east coast fell on a weekend when HQ would normally be closed. To assist the affected Sections W1AW was staffed and on the air from 0700 local Saturday through 1400 local Sunday. Station operators monitored traffic nets, assisted with relays, passed traffic through the Hurricane Watch Net and through NWS Taunton, MA.

One kudo that should be mentioned is to Sean Kutzko, KX9X, ARRL's Contest Branch Manager. Sean gave very generously of his time over the weekend of Irene's landfall. He spent many hours at W1AW passing storm related traffic to NWS Taunton via Echolink. Many times I hear of the divide between EmComm and contesting, but it is a divide created by us. When there is a true emergency and we (the Amateur Radio Service) are needed, we come through regardless of our differences or interests within Amateur Radio. To Sean and all those that step up to plate when called upon...thank you!

Special thanks to HQ staff who helped keep W1AW on the air over the weekend; KX9X, NJ1Q, K1FUG, N1ND, W3IZ, WV1X, NC1L, AG1YK, and KA1JPA.

Submitted - Mike Corey, W5MPC, ARRL Emergency Preparedness Manager

==> ARES&#65533; BRIEFS

"EmComm for the Apocalypse" is the title of a presentation to be made at the ARRL PACIFICON <http://www.pacificon.org/> 2011 convention next month in Santa Clara, California, by David Kidd, KA7OZO, of Oregon ARES/RACES and Bart Lee, K6VK. The subject is electromagnetic pulse (EMP) and emergency communications. "If your gear is solid state, it's cooked unless it's protected," said Lee. PACIFICON 2011, The Great West Coast Ham Radio Convention, returns to the San Francisco Bay Area and will again be sponsored by the Mount Diablo Amateur Radio Club.

PACIFICON 2011 will take place Friday, October 14 through Sunday, October 16, at the Marriott Santa Clara Hotel.

ARRL SET: This Weekend October 1 and 2

This nationwide exercise is the chance to test your emergency operating skills and the readiness of your communications equipment and accessories in an emergency-like deployment. ARRL Field Organization Leaders at the Section and local levels -- along with many other volunteers who are active in public service and emergency communications -- are developing emergency-like scenarios in consultation with a variety of agencies for whom radio amateurs are known to provide service during emergencies. To find out how you can step up and be a part of the local or Section-level activities, contact your Section Manager. You can find contact information for all 71 ARRL Section Managers on page 16 of any issue of QST. Additional contact information may also be found on the ARRL <http://www.arrl.org/>Web site. ARES®, the National Traffic System (NTS), the Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service (RACES) and members of the ARRL Field Organization will participate and practice emergency operation plans, nets and procedures.

GlobalSET: November

GlobalSET <http://www.iaru.org/emergency/>is an exercise taking place twice annually, usually in April/May and November. Participants are headquarters stations of national IARU Member-Societies and of stations of specialized emergency communications groups world-wide. GlobalSET is not a contest, but an exercise; messages are being exchanged between stations and forwarded to a regional headquarters station in each of the three IARU Regions. In addition to the training of operators in message handling, GlobalSET also aims at increasing the awareness for the global and regional Center of Activity (CoA) Frequencies <http://www.iaru.org/emergency/>. GlobalSETs are sponsored and organized by IARU Region 1 and regularly announced on the IARU <http://www.iaru.org/emergency/> web site with a link to the rules and details for each event.

==> LETTERS

Amateur Radio in Disasters: One Step Forward, One Step Back

With recent events such as the Japan earthquake and Hurricane Irene still fresh on the mind, I was heartened to read David Sumner's (K1ZZ) astute opinion on the changing role of Amateur Radio in emergency communications in the September 2011 issue of QST. In a world of social media, real-time crisis mapping, and pervasive smartphone use, the role of Amateur Radio is indeed changing, even as we remain a core tool in the communications toolbox. David's essential point assumes that a successful response to any significant emergency requires different agencies and organizations working together in a collaborative and trusting manner.

Unfortunately, just a few pages later Rick Palm's (K1CE) article about the Florida-based EMCOMM-1 vehicle does a fundamental disservice to that trust. No, it's not about the vehicle: from what I read and have seen online, it seems to be a fine vehicle and its builders are to be commended for their efforts. What I take exception to was the hyperbole and explicit attitude that said "Hams do it better than government - look how wasteful and incompetent they are." This "us versus them" attitude is exactly what is NOT needed in modern emergency response, and unfortunately only reinforces the negative stereotypes held in certain served agencies of the Amateur Radio service. The attitude is wasteful, and serves no useful purpose.

Whether we choose to acknowledge it or not, the technologies used in emergency response communications are changing radically right in front of our eyes. We also have to understand and accept the legitimate roles that other organizations have to contribute. After 9/11 and Hurricane Katrina, isn't it obvious that we either all sink or swim together? -- Rakesh Bharania, N6ILG, San Jose, California

FEMA's Fugate on C-SPAN

It's true though perhaps sad that I spend more time watching the various C-Span channels instead of operating. Anyway, I was channel surfing yesterday and caught the end of a talk by Craig Fugate, the FEMA administrator. Basically, he described how he had refined his approach to relief and emergency services over the years, to more clearly assess and identify problem areas, instead of working from a methodology. He sounded very practical and functionally-oriented, and his approach reminded me of the Op-Ed and feedback that appeared in the last and previous ARES E-Letter issues. It would be worthwhile viewing (from C-Span's Web site <http://www.c-span.org/>) for anyone interested in emergency response. Also, it seems to me that Mr. Fugate would be an interesting subject for an interview, for either QST or the ARES E-Letter. - Mike Harla, N2MHO, Vineland, New Jersey

==> K1CE FOR A FINAL

One of the things that jumped out at me in the wake of Hurricane Irene was how far the ARRL HQ's planning, preparation and response initiatives have come since the old days, when I was responsible for them. Back in those days, the HQ response was mostly reactionary, as opposed to pre-planning and coordination protocols. Some of that changed after Hurricane Hugo, but the quantum leap for HQ's emergency response and planning came with the vision of the executive management at HQ, especially Chief Operating Officer Harold Kramer, WJ1B. Staff was hired with the dedicated mission of ramping up HQ's emergency preparedness and response, and most importantly, support to the field, and coordination. They have done an excellent job.

A good example of the manifestation of this new era was the "webinar" convened by ARRL HQ's Emergency Preparedness Manager Mike Corey, W5MPC, before the storm was to impact the east coast. The purpose of the Internet-based meeting was for ARRL Sections in the path of Irene to

provide a brief update on Amateur Radio activities. Section Public Information Coordinators, Section Traffic Managers, and other key Section level staff were invited to attend. These section staffers would provide information from key Section staff in the overall update. A spokesperson for each Section was named, and briefings from nineteen Sections were conducted. A synopsis of Amateur Radio activity in each Section ahead of Irene was provided, along with any anticipated needs, HF emergency net information, Echolink/IRLP, and D-STAR nets operating, and a back up point of contact for each Section. Good job, HQ.

See you next month! 73, Rick K1CE

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924. Re: Hello

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-29 08:04:35 UTC
From: Mark Morgan <markmorgan@acdcfan.com>
Message-ID: <d3927482-aa04-4bb2-a835-68402835a180@gd10g2000vbb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4164
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy,alt.usenet.kooks

On Sep 28, 4:48 pm, Derpwad Tholoon <thol...@antiham.spam> wrote:
> I would like to know more about this newsgroup. Is there perhaps a
> website or other online documentation I could consult in order to learn
> more about its purpose, ethos, and culture?
>
> Postal mail would also be an acceptable method to receive this by,
> provided that the person or organization printing the document(s) in
> question is located in Pueblo, Colorado.

this is a gay-scat site. we love shit. dumps, smears, piles or logs.

do you punce?

http://ipunce2.blogspot.com

925. Re: Hello

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-29 12:37:54 UTC
From: "tholen@antispam.ham" <tholen@ifa.hawaii.edu>
Message-ID: <ad71a656-b4a3-4d75-807f-d75570d5d5aa@g33g2000yqc.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4165
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy,alt.usenet.kooks

Mark Morgan <markmorgan@acdcfan.com> writes:

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rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy,alt.usenet.
kooks

6> this is a gay-scat site. we love shit. dumps, smears, piles or
logs.

6> do you punce?

What does your question have to do with rec.radio.amateur.misc,
alt.slack,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy,
alt.usenet.kooks, Morgan?

926. [RAC-Bulletin] [EMCOMM]: Information - Ophelia - 2011-09-29 11:52:26 UTC

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-29 17:17:38 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4E84A7A9.5080301@rac.ca>
Source record: 4166
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

WOCN31 CWHX 291145
Tropical cyclone information statement issued by the Canadian
Hurricane Centre of Environment Canada at 8:49 AM ADT Thursday
29 September 2011.

Tropical cyclone information statement for:
=new= Newfoundland
=new= Nova Scotia.

For tropical storm Ophelia.

This is the only planned statement at this time.

Ophelia and frontal zone to potentially combine over Atlantic
Canada this weekend.

==discussion==
Tropical storm Ophelia is forecast to intensify into a hurricane and
pass east of Bermuda late Saturday. A non-tropical low pressure
system with an associated frontal zone to its east is forecast at the
same time to move into the maritime provinces. As Ophelia moves
northward, it is expected that the front will nearly stall somewhere
over the maritime provinces potentially giving heavy rainfall.
Depending on the intensity of Ophelia, strong winds could affect
parts of Atlantic Canada late this weekend. As of Thursday morning,
computer models predict various scenarios for Ophelia's track,
ranging from Eastern Nova Scotia to well offshore over the Grand
Banks off Newfoundland. The Canadian Hurricane Centre will be
closely monitoring the tropical storm and frontal feature and may
begin issuing regular 6-hourly forecasts on Friday.

Visit weatheroffice.Gc.Ca/hurricane (all in lower case) for the
latest:

- forecast position, central pressure table.

- strength and predicted wind radii table.

- hurricane track information map.

- technical discussion.

Please also refer to the public and marine forecasts and warnings
issued by Environment Canada for your area.

END/FOGARTY/MERCER

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927. Re: Hello

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-29 17:51:21 UTC
From: John Harbl <jharbl@harbl.com>
Message-ID: <j62b6metu3@speranza.aioe.org>
Source record: 4167
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack,comp.os.os2.advocacy

On 9/29/11 1:04 AM, Mark Morgan wrote:
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And Tholen provides it by the bucketloader.

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Negative. I am not a kosher ham (nor, to the best of my knowledge, is
Derpwad Tholoon). Hamsexy, yes, but not kosher.

- J.

928. Re: Hello

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-29 18:30:00 UTC
From: "tholen@antispam.ham" <tholen@ifa.hawaii.edu>
Message-ID: <b63daf15-affb-434c-b6ed-b4ab0cbfb6e3@t16g2000yqm.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4168
Cross-posted to: alt.free.newsservers,rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack,comp.os.os2.advocacy

John Harbl <jharbl@harbl.com> writes:

110> Newsgroups: alt.free.newsservers,comp.os.os2.advocacy

110> ONOES YOU HAVE DISCOVERED MY ALTER EGO!!!11!eleven!! DRAT AND
110> CURSES!!!!!!inspanishthefirstoneisupsidedown!!2@! I wish you
could see
110> how hard I'm shaking my fist in the air, because I'm doing it
really hard!

What does your ALTER EGO have to do with OS/2, Harbl, and
why are you shouting?

110> Horseshit, Tholen. I (posting as Derpwad Tholoon) clearly stated
the
110> conditions by which I would be pleased to receive this
information via
110> postal mail. Nothing illogical about that;

What does your classic unsubstantiated and erroneous claim have
to do with OS/2, Harbl?

110> that you simply cannot
110> comprehend the requirements does not point to a logical
shortcoming on
110> my behalf.

What does your classic erroneous presupposition have to do with
OS/2, Harbl?

110> Yes, but now that the alias 'Tholoon' has been used in the
newsgroup,
110> you can't bitch about anyone here not having that alias any
longer. Neener.

Now readers should know that all those postings about "Tholoon"
have been about you, Harbl.

At last, the person to whom so many postings have been directed
has revealed himself.

] From: Derpwad Tholoon <tholoon@antiham.spam>
] Newsgroups: comp.os.os2.advocacy
] Message-ID: <j604nb$7fg$1@speranza.aioe.org>
] Date: Wed, 28 Sep 2011 14:48:30 -0700
] NNTP-Posting-Host: MKapgEMfXeDFOGVbvmNWlg.user.speranza.aioe.org

] From: John Harbl <jharbl@harbl.com>
] Newsgroups: alt.free.newsservers,comp.os.os2.advocacy
] Message-ID: <j5vvtu$qq3$1@speranza.aioe.org>
] Date: Wed, 28 Sep 2011 13:26:41 -0700
] NNTP-Posting-Host: MKapgEMfXeDFOGVbvmNWlg.user.speranza.aioe.org

111> Newsgroups: rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack,comp.os.os2.advocacy

111> And Tholen provides it by the bucketloader.

What does your classic unsubstantiated and erroneous claim have
to do with rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack,comp.os.os2.advocacy,
Harbl?

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knowledge, is
111> Derpwad Tholoon). Hamsexy, yes, but not kosher.

What does your lack of kosherness have to do with
rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack,comp.os.os2.advocacy,
Harbl?

929. ICOM 745 / 751 MEMORY BOARD NEEDED

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-29 19:45:52 UTC
From: justme <jbleaux@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <qmi987prd1us3svd8cqf1rki9fc1cd7ps9@4ax.com>
Source record: 4169

I need to find the internal ram board for an Icom 745/751. I broke mine by pushing too hard when reinstalling.

Money is tight, as we all know. Do you have one that I can buy?

I sure would appreciate it.

Thank you.

930. The ARRL Letter for September 29, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-29 21:58:07 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20110929190856.CEEF725759@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 4170
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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==> + ON THE AIR: SCOUTS TO TAKE TO THE AIRWAVES FOR THE 54TH JAMBOREE
ON THE AIR

Each year, more than 500,000 Scouts in more than 100 countries take
to the airwaves on the third full weekend in October -- and this year
will be no different. The Jamboree On The Air (JOTA) is a Scouting and
Amateur Radio event sponsored by the World Scout Bureau of the World
Organization of the Scout Movement. JOTA is an annual event where Boy
Scouts, Girl Scouts and Girl Guides from all over the world speak to
each other via Amateur Radio. Since 1958 -- when the first Jamboree on
the Air was held -- millions of Scouts have met through this event.
Many contacts made during JOTA have resulted in pen pals and links
between Scout troops that have lasted many years. The radio stations
are operated by radio amateurs, and many Scouts and leaders hold
licenses and have their own stations. The majority of JOTA Scouts
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participate through stations operated by local radio clubs and individual hams. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/scouts-to-take-to-the-airwaves-for-the-54th-jamboree-on-the-air>.

==> + ARRL BRIEFS WHITE HOUSE STAFF ON AMATEUR RADIO'S CAPABILITIES DURING EMERGENCIES

On September 12, at the invitation of White House Cybersecurity Coordinator Howard A. Schmidt, W7HAS <http://www.arrl.org/news/white-house-names-ham-as-new-cybersecurity-coordinator>, the ARRL briefed several members of the National Security Staff on the capabilities of the Amateur Radio Service to communicate in emergencies. "The White House is looking for ways that the great work of Amateur Radio operators can continue to support emergencies in the future with particular attention to increased use and dependency on Internet-based technologies," Schmidt said. The ARRL presentation, conducted by Emergency Preparedness Manager Mike Corey, W5MPC -- along with President Kay Craigie, N3KN, and Chief Executive Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ -- focused on Amateur Radio's current and evolving capabilities to provide Internet messaging connectivity.

==> + AMATEUR RADIO IN SPACE: TAKE THE ARISSAT-1 SURVEY

AMSAT <http://www.amsat.org/amsat-new/> is inviting radio amateurs to complete a 19-question survey regarding ARISSat-1 <http://www.arrl.org/news/arissat-1-finally-deployed-from-iss>. "Please take a few minutes to answer the questions <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/arissat1-operation>," said Steven Bible, N7HPR. "The survey results will be posted to the official ARISSat-1 website <http://www.arissat1.org/>." ARISSat-1 was deployed from the International Space Station in August 2011 and is active on the following frequencies and modes:

- 145.950 MHz FM Downlink: FM transmissions will cycle between a voice ID as RS01S, select telemetry values, 24 international greeting messages in 15 languages, as well as SSTV images. If you successfully receive the SSTV transmissions, you are invited to upload your picture to the ARISS SSTV Gallery <http://www.amsat.org/amsat/ariss/SSTV>.
- 435 MHz - 145 MHz Linear Transponder: The linear transponder will operate in Mode U/V (70 cm up, 2 meters down). It is a 16 kHz wide inverting passband from 435.742 to 435.758 MHz and the convention will be to transmit LSB on the 435 MHz uplink and receive USB on the 145 MHz downlink between 145.922 and 145.938 MHz.
- 145.919 MHz/145.939 MHz CW Beacons: The CW transmissions will be call sign ID RS01S, select telemetry and call signs of people actively involved with the ARISS program.
- 145.920 MHz SSB BPSK-1000 Telemetry: The BPSK transmissions will feature a new 1kBPSK protocol developed by Phil Karn, KA9Q. When the CW2 beacon on 145.919 MHz is active, this indicates that the BPSK-1000 format is being transmitted. If the CW1 beacon on 145.939 MHz is

active, the backup of BPSK-400 format is being transmitted.

==> + AMATEUR RADIO IN SPACE: AMSAT SPONSORS ARISSAT-1 RE-ENTRY CONTEST

AMSAT Secretary Alan Biddle, WA4SCA, said the ARISSat-1 Team is looking for entries in the Chicken Little Contest. This is your opportunity to calculate or guess when ARISSat-1 falls out of orbit. This is defined as the time it crosses an altitude of 78 kilometers, which is considered to be the point of no return. "This involves your prognostications, calculations, guesses, darts-in-the-calendar submissions for when ARRISSat-1 makes its final orbit," Biddle said. "We have a fair number of submissions from all over the world from adults, but very few from students. If you know of one who might be interested, encourage them to enter." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/amsat-sponsors-arissat-1-re-entry-contest>.

==> + AT THE WORKBENCH: THE DEADLINE FOR THE THIRD ARRL HOMEBREW CHALLENGE IS APPROACHING

The ARRL has sponsored two Homebrew Challenges in the past, designed to test our members' design and construction skills by making useful amateur gear at low cost -- and sharing their results with our members. Our first ARRL Homebrew Challenge, announced in QST for August 2006, required the construction of a 40 meter, 5 W voice and CW transceiver built for less than $50 of new parts. The Second Homebrew Challenge, announced in February 2009, resulted in a number of creative designs of low cost 50 W linear amplifiers to follow the transceiver -- two for about $30, as well as a multiband amplifier with many features for somewhat more. The deadline for the Third Homebrew Challenge is Tuesday, November 1. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/the-deadline-for-the-third-arrl-homebrew-challenge-is-approaching>.

==> ARRL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO MEET IN VIRGINIA THIS WEEKEND

The ARRL Executive Committee will meet October 1 in Virginia. The agenda <http://www.arrl.org/files/media/News/2011_Oct_ARRL_EC_agenda.pdf> for the meeting is now available. According to the ARRL By-Laws <http://www.arrl.org/arrl-by-laws>, the Executive Committee is assigned specific responsibility for:

- Applying existing Board policy to make decisions between Board meetings.
- Evaluating proposed rules and regulatory changes for the Board.
- Assisting staff and General Counsel in Board recommendations for petitions to the FCC and other governmental and international agencies.
- Periodically reviewing and recommending to the Board any changes in the ARRL Articles of Association, By-Laws, Standing Orders, and Memoranda of Understanding with other organizations.
- Monitoring progress of Board actions and recommendations (task tracking).

- Monitoring progress of the implementation of, and suggesting ongoing revisions to, the ARRL Strategic Plan, working in conjunction with Standing Committees as appropriate.
- Reviewing and recommending programs designed to represent the organization to the public, enhance the organization's image, and communicate with the media.

==> + ARRL INVITES NOMINATIONS FOR 2011 INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN AWARD

Nominations are open for the 2011 ARRL International Humanitarian Award. This award is conferred upon an amateur or amateurs who demonstrate devotion to human welfare, peace and international understanding through Amateur Radio. The League established the annual prize to recognize those radio amateurs who have used ham radio to provide extraordinary service to others in times of crisis or disaster.

As one of the few telecommunication services that allows people throughout the world from all walks of life to meet and talk with each other, Amateur Radio spreads goodwill across political boundaries. The ARRL International Humanitarian Award recognizes the Amateur Radio Service's unique role in international communication and the assistance amateurs regularly provide to people in need.

Nominations should include a summary of the nominee's actions that qualify the individual (or individuals) for this award, plus verifying statements from at least two people having first-hand knowledge of the events warranting the nomination. These statements may be from an official of a group (for example, the American Red Cross, The Salvation Army, a local or state emergency management official) that benefited from the nominee's particular Amateur Radio contribution. Nominations should include the names and addresses of all references. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-invites-nominations-for-2011-international-humanitarian-award>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "The Sun shines forever <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7w0MWv4rfH0>" Cook, K7RA, reports: Our Sun has been very active this past week, with the average solar flux rising nearly 12 points to 155.5, while the average daily sunspot numbers dropped nearly 41 points to 96.1. This implies fewer, but more intense, sunspots. A huge sunspot group numbered 1302 emerged on September 22. This was the source of a coronal mass ejection that triggered an immense geomagnetic storm. The planetary A index peaked at 67 on September 26, followed by 30 the next day and 24 on September 28. The planetary K index reached 8 for two of the three-hour reporting periods on September 26, indicating an intense geomagnetic storm. The resulting aurora was observed in many places, including Maine, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, New York, North Dakota and South Dakota. On September 22, there was a major X1.4 class solar flare at

1100 UTC, with a large CME, but this was when sunspot 1302 was just coming over the horizon, so it wasn't Earth-directed. On September 24, sunspot group 1302 produced a larger X1.9 flare. Currently, the latest forecast from NOAA/USAF has solar flux for September 29-October 7 at 130, 130, 125, 120, 120, 115, 110, 110 and 140, and then 145 on October 8-10 and 140 on October 11-17. The predicted planetary A index is 12, 5 and 8 on September 29 through October 1, then 5 on October 2-7, then 8, 15, 12 and 8 on October 8-11 and 5 on October 12-21. Look for more information on the ARRL website on Friday, September 30. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by Bananarama's Through a Child's Eyes <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7w0MWv4rfH0>.

==> + ARRL INVITES MEMBERS TO EXPRESS OPINIONS IN QST

Each month in QST, the ARRL devotes a page to print letters from its members. This is a chance for you to express your opinions -- good or bad -- on ham radio-related matters. Your opinion counts! Send your letters electronically to qst@arrl.org or via postal mail to Correspondence, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111. You can also fax your letters to 860-594-0259. We read every letter received, but we can only publish a few each month. We reserve the right to edit your letter for clarity and to fit the available page space. Letters published in QST may also appear in other ARRL media. The ARRL assumes no responsibility for statements made by correspondents.

==> THIS WEEK ON THE RADIO

This week:

- October 1 -- TARA PSK Rumble Contest; EU Autumn Sprint (SSB)
- October 1-2 -- California QSO Party; Oceania DX Contest (SSB); WAB HF Phone Contest; EPC Russia DX Contest
- October 2 -- UBA ON Contest (SSB)
- October 3 -- German Telegraphy Contest
- October 4 -- ARS Spartan Sprint
- October 5 -- 432 MHz Fall Sprint (local time)

Next week:

- October 7-9 -- YLRL DX/NA YL Anniversary Contest
- October 8 -- FISTS Fall Sprint; EU Autumn Sprint (CW)
- October 8-9 -- Arizona QSO Party; Pennsylvania QSO Party; Makrothen RTTY Contest; Oceania DX Contest (CW); Scandinavian Activity Contest (SSB)
- October 9 -- North American Sprint (RTTY); UBA ON Contest (CW)
- October 10 -- 10-10 International 10-10 Day Sprint
- October 12 -- NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint; NAQCC-EU Monthly Sprint

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update

<http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest
Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more
information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out
the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page
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==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- October 8-9 -- ARRL Florida State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/florida-state-convention-melbourne-hamfest>,
Melbourne, Florida
- October 9 -- ARRL Connecticut State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/connecticut-state-convention-1>,
Wallingford, Connecticut
- October 14-16 -- ARRL Pacific Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/pacificon-2011>, Santa Clara, California
- October 21-22 -- ARRL West Gulf Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-gulf-division-convention-texoma-hamarama>,
Ardmore, Oklahoma
- October 22 -- ARRL Iowa State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/iowa-state-convention-hamboree-2011>,
Sergeant Bluff, Iowa
- November 6 -- ARRL Iowa Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/iowa-section-convention>, Davenport, Iowa
- November 19-20 -- ARRL Indiana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/indiana-state-convention-fort-wayne-hamfest-and
-computer-expo>,
Fort Wayne, Indiana
- December 3-4 -- ARRL West Central Florida Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-central-florida-section-convention-tampa-b
ay-hamfest-1>,
Palmetto, Florida

To find a convention or hamfest near you, click here
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Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1781 - September 30 2011

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1781 with a release date of Friday, September 30th, 2011 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a QST. FEMA issues new emergency communications guidelines to the public but neglects to mention any form of personal two way radio. Also, scouting gets ready for the annual Jamboree On The Air, the leader of the aborted DX0DX Spratley Island operation says all donations will be refunded in full, CQ Publishing to offer all of its magazines in the digital domain and a ham radio song gets a new look on the World-Wide-Web. All this and more on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1781 coming your way right now.

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RESCUE RADIO: FCC AND FEMA ISSUE PERSONAL COMMUNICATIONS EMCOMM TIPS TO THE PUBLIC BUT NEGLECT TWO-WAY RADIO

The FCC and FEMA have issued guidelines on what steps citizens should take before, during and after a local disaster, but no personal form of two way radio is included. Amateur Radio Newsline's Don Carlson, KQ6FM is here with the details:

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In an FCC press release, Chairman Julius Genachowski said that when disaster strikes, the ability to communicate is essential. However, power outages and other issues can interfere with the way people ordinarily communicate, making it harder to reach loved ones or emergency services.

Genachowski noted that the FCC is committed to ensuring the public's safety through the reliability of our nation's communications networks. But there are also simple steps that consumers can take to prepare for a disaster as well as practical ways to better communicate during and after an event. As such, Genachowski encourages all Americans to become familiar these the new communications tips and share them with friends and family.

Also making a statement was FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate. He said that between the East Coast earthquake, Hurricane Irene, Tropical Storm Lee, and wildfires in Texas and California, the public has received a lot of powerful reminders that disasters can strike anytime. This in

turn and can often make it difficult for the public to communicate with friends, loved ones or emergency personnel.

Fugate said that an important part of preparing for disasters includes getting ready for potential communications challenges. He called the new guidelines simple tips that are easy for anyone to follow and could make a world of difference when it matters the most.

Among the simple steps suggested by the two agencies is to keep charged batteries and car-phone chargers available for back-up power for your cell phone. Also to not rely on Internet based telephones that come with bundled services. This means having hard copper wire service between you and the phone company central office. Also, keep at least one non-cordless wireline phone in your home because in most cases it will work even if you lose power. Also have a battery powered radio or television receiver available along with some spare batteries.

It should be noted that personal communications services including 11 meter C-B, the Family Radio Service and Amateur Radio were not mentioned in the new tips jointly issued by FEMA and the FCC. There is no mention of having a set of inexpensive Family Radio Service in your home. Nothing said about owning a battery powered C-B radio set to the local REACT channel or getting to know a neighbor who is a ham radio operator that will likely have communications when all else has failed.

The tips do note that broadcasters are a strong source of time critical information but also note that citizens should avoid putting strain on easily overburdened wireless service networks by watching streaming broadcasts and other high bandwidth services.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, Im Don Carlson, KQ6FM, in Reno.

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You can see the entire lists by taking your web browser to tinyurl.com/fcc-emergency-advice. (FCC, TVBR, Others)

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RESTRUCTURING: REVISED REGION 1 HF BANDPLAN UNVEILED

A revised International Amateur Radio Union Region One High Frequency Band Plan has been published. The changes are minor, and affect only the 40 and 10 meter bands in Europe, Africa and the middle-East.

On 40 meters, the CW contest-preferred segment of 7 point 000 to 7 point 025 MHz has been withdrawn. In practice this means in practice that CW contests on 40 meters are no longer confined to the first 25 kHz segment.

On 10 meters the changes are to the FM portion of the band. This includes adjustments to the simplex channels and the addition of four new repeater channels. A copy of the new IARU Region One High Frequency Band Plan can be obtained at www.irts.ie/downloads. (IARU

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HAM RADIO AND SCOUTING: JOTA 2011 - OCTOBER 15 - 16

Get Ready for Scouting's Jamboree on the Air. This year's JOTA takes place on October 15th and 16th. Amateur radio Newsline's Mark Abramovich, NT3V, is here with the details:

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This international event is getting a big push this year from the Boy Scouts of America, which, in cooperation with the American Radio Relay League, has been promoting not only participation of Scouts, but ham mentors who have a great opportunity to become Elmers to the next generation of potential radio operators.

Jim Wilson, K5ND, is the national organizer for the Boy Scouts of America participation in Jamboree on the Air...

"Jamboree on the Air is the largest Scouting event in the world," Wilson explains. "Last year, the World Organization of Scouting Movement reported just over 700,000 Scouts participated in the event from just under 6,000 stations around the world."

This year, Wilson says the BSA and ARRL, have teamed up to boost U.S. involvement. And, so far, the numbers are looking pretty good.

"We have 76 stations registered and if we count up the number of participants that they're expecting at their event, we're right around 10,000," Wilson says.

Many of the American stations will be setting up at weekend camporees or jamborees with a big opportunity to introduce Scouts to the fun of talking on the radio, using a computer for PSK activity, or even talking to an astronaut.

"NA1SS, which is the International Space Station, is going to be on the air throughout the JOTA weekend," Wilson says. "Astronaut Mike Fossum (KF5AQG), who is also a Scoutmaster, is going to be on the air during breaks from his work schedule.

"And, they think he's going to be available most of the passes around the world. The uplink is 144.490 and the downlink is 145.800 megahertz. So watch for that. I think that will be pretty cool."

Wilson, is also the new trustee for the Boy Scouts of America K2BSA call sign. He says you'll hear that and other special call signs on during JOTA.

"K2BSA actually has authorized some operations in California, here in Texas, in Alabama,"

Wilson says. "A number of 1-by-1 call signs like W2H is out of the Southern New Jersey Council and there's quite a few others."

Wilson cautions that JOTA operators, in the excitement of the moment, have to also be aware of third-party agreements.

"We have some information on that on our website, thirdparty traffic agreements," Wilson says. "So, if they're talking with a particular country that doesn't allow thirdparty traffic, they do need to be cautious.

"The ARRL keeps that list up to date working with the IARU and so we link to that list and we warn them about those concerns because we don't want to get anybody into trouble."

Wilson says the best resource on JOTA right now is the BSA's own website, which contains all the right links.

"We offer a website with resources on there for Scouting leaders and for amateur radio operators to get involved in Jamboree on the Air," Wilson says. And that's at www.scouting.org/jota."

Look for KC3BSA, Venture Crew 59's station on the air from eastern Pennsylvania on JOTA Friday night and Saturday during JOTA. Stop by and talk to some of our Scouts. For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Mark Abramowicz, NT3V, in Philadelphia.

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If you have the time, please get on the air October 15th and 16th, and support this very worthwhile scouting and ham radio event. (ARNewsline(tm), NT3V)

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DX NEWS: VK3FY SAYS ALL DX0DX DONATIONS WILL BE REFUNDED IN FULL

Chris Dimitrijevic, VK3FY, says that every dollar donated to the now cancelled DX0DX Spratley Island DXpedition will be refunded. In an e-mail to Newsline, VK3FY says that as the organizer and team leader of the DX0DX operation that he will refund every team member, sponsor and the generous DX foundations the full amount of their contribution payment made.

Previously, it was announced that the refunds may be less than the amount contributed. But in his e-mail to us VK3FY says that he has decided that he will personally make up any monetary shortfalls from his own funds.

As reported last week, the long planned DX0DX was cancelled due to concerns about the personal safety of those traveling in the

For information concerning DX0DX refunds including refunds to DX Foundations please e-mail chris (at) vk3fy (dot) com. We will have more DX related stories as the end of this weeks newscast. (Via e-mail from VK3FY)

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RADIO LAW: GOP QUESTIONS FCC SPECTRUM GRANT TO LIGHTSQUARED

Opponents of the proposed LightSquared national broadband network operating adjacent to Global Positioning System or GPS frequencies have new allies. The Republican party. Norm Seeley, KI7UP, has more in this report:

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The proposed LightSquared high speed broadband network appears to be becoming a true political hot potato. This as the GOP raises the question of political favoritism in the FCC granting of a permit to the company to begin experimental construction of the system almost a year ago.

On Thursday, September 8th several leading Republicans questioned why the Federal Communications Commission fasttracked an initial approval of the LightSquared proposal. A company that the GOP claims to have ties among Democrats. It also questions the use of spectrum that other agencies say disrupts GPS devices that are an integral part of hurricane-tracking systems, military and commercial airlines and millions of civilian users.

At a House hearing, Republicans criticized the FCC for not using its own engineers to examine whether LightSquared's technology posed interference issues. The agency admitted that it relied on tests run by LightSquared and the Global Positioning System supply industry. But the FCC has defended its process, saying it has led to better understanding of an emerging technology.

Republican lawmakers note that the FCC gave a crucial green light this past January for LightSquared to begin building its system without a full commission vote. This, despite warnings from companies and federal agencies that the satellite network would harm communication systems essential to national security and public safety.

An FCC spokeswoman added that the agency granted expedited approval for LightSquared's proposed national broadband system only on the condition that the company resolves interference problems with GPS providers and other technologies.

But GOP lawmakers and members of a coalition formed by the GPS industry noted that the spectrum used by LightSquared was never intended for

cellular telephones or other broadband devices. Rather back in 2002 the FCC granted a license to LightSquared, then known as SkyTerra, on the condition that its primary business would be to provide services for satellite phones.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP, following the politics from Scottsdale, Arizona.

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With Republicans and Democrats in Congress at odds over just about every issue, the LightSquared proposed broadband communications system could find itself trapped in a long and very bitter political power play. (Published News Reports)

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ENFORCEMENT: UNLICENSED STATION IN PUERTO RICO FINED $15000

The FCC has issued a $15000 Notice of Apparent Liability to Eleuterio Lebron of Guayama, Puerto Rico. This for operating a radio station without Commission authorization to be on the airwaves.

After receiving an interference complaint this past June, agents from the San Juan office traced the source of radio transmissions on 88.5 MHz to a building in the city of Guayama. They then made measurements and determined the signals exceeded Part 15 operation limits. During a station inspection, Lebron confirmed over the phone that he owned the station. He then told the operator on duty to take the station off the air.

In issuing its decision to fine Lebron the FCC said thathe controlled the station's operations, and the agency found that he willfully operated the station in apparent violation of the rules. Because the operation occurred on more than one day, the regulatory agency also found that the apparent violation was repeated.

The base fine for operating a station without a license is $10,000. Because Lebron had been warned verbally and in writing illegal back in February 2010 that operating a station without a license was, and continued to operate the station anyhow, the commission tacked on another $5,000, bringing the total fine to $15,000.

Lebron was given the customary 30 days to pay or ask to have the fine cancelled or reduced. (FCC)

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RADIO BUSINESS: CQ PUBLISHING TO OFFER ALL MAGAZINES IN DIGITAL FORMAT

New York based hobby electronics publisher Richard Ross, K2MGA, has announced that his CQ Communications will launch multi-platform digital editions of all of its magazine titles before the end of 2011. These titles include CQ magazine, CQ VHF, Popular Communications and

WorldRadio Online.

According to Editorial Director Rich Moseson, W2VU, the digital editions will supplement, not replace, current print editions, and will feature enhancements not possible in the print medium. Versions will be available for a variety of online and mobile platforms including PC, Mac, iPhone, iPad, Android 2.0 and higher.

Examples of features that will be possible in the digital world include live links to all World Wide Web addresses listed in each issue as well as supplemental content. This will include such additions as photo albums, audio and video files, software and more.

The digital editions of the CQ publications will be hosted by Zinio dot com. Zinio is one of the top names in the emagazine publiushing business. Moseson says that CQ's choosing of Zinio will assure that our magazines will always be able to take advantage of new technology when it becomes available.

The digital launch will begin in late October with the November issue of an enhanced, multi-platform, version of WorldRadio Online, which will again become a paidsubscription publication. This will be followed by the November issue of CQ, which, appropriately, is the magazine's first annual Technology Special. The fall issue of CQ VHF and the December issue of Popular Communications will round out the introductions.

Digital editions will be available by single copy and by subscription. Details will be in the near future in the magazines and on all CQ Communications websites. Moseson noted that many CQ book titles are already available in digital form on CD. (CQ)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: AMSAT 2011 SYMPOSIUM - NOVEMBER 4 - 6 IN SAN JOSE CA

Turning to ham happenings, the 2011 AMSAT Space Symposium will be held November 4th through the 6th at the Wyndham Airport hotel in San Jose, California. This annual gathering will feature sessions on satellite operating techniques, the latest plans from the amateur satellite world and much more. Coinciding with the symposium, the AMSAT Board of Directors will hold its annual meeting at the same venue on November 3rd and 4th. If you plan to attend either or both, you can register on-line at tinyurl.com/space-symposium-reg (ANS)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: MUD 2011 OCT. 13 - 16 IN CONNECTICUT

The North East Weak Signal Group is sponsoring the combined Eastern VHF/UHF conference and Microwave Update 2011 Conference. The dates are October 13th to the 16th at the Holiday Inn Hotel in Enfield, Connecticut. As a special treat this year a tour of the Haystack Observatory in Massachusetts will be available to those interested.

More about this once a year gathering is on-line at www.microwaveupdate.org (WZ1V, VHF Reflector)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: "THE FINAL LAUNCH" TEAM EFFORT CONTINUES

And a follow up to a previous story about Special Event Station N4S that recently commemorated "The Final Launch" of America's Space Shuttle Program. This with the flight of Atlantis from the Kennedy Space Center on mission STS-135.

It turns out that during its operation, N4S made 2,956 contacts world-wide and QSL requests are being processed. Several "QSL parties" by members of the North Brevard Amateur Radio Club are making progress in responding to all of those amateur radio operators requesting confirmation. More about this one is on-line at www.northbrevardamateurradioclub.com (AA4MI)

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ON THE AIR: VA3IF IN MEMORY OF PEACE AND REMEMBRANCE

Canada's Guelph Amateur Radio Club will once again be operating special event station VA3IF at the birthplace of Lieutenant Colonel John McCrae House in Guelph, Ontario. John McCrae was the author of the poem "In Flanders Fields". The station will honor the twin concepts of peace and remembrance. It will operate from the McCrae House Museum from November 5th to the 11th on 80 through 10 meters as well as IRLP node 2260. (VE3XTM via RAC)

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This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: REP. GREG WALDEN W7EQI GIVEN FAITH & FREEDOM AWARD

Some names in the news this week. First up is United States Representative Greg Walden, W7EQI, of Oregon who was recently presented the Faith and Freedom Award. This, by the National Religious Broadcasters its at its annual Capitol Hill Media Summit.

Greg Walden is the Chairman of the Energy and Commerce Subcommittee on Communications and Technology. The Faith and Freedom Award award is presented annually to a legislator who is considered to be a stalwart defender of religious liberty. Past recipients include Congressman

Mike Pence of Indiana and former U.S Senator Sam Brownback of Kansas. (RW)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: CO6CBF MAY BE FIRST SATELLITE VUCC FROM CUBA

Hector Martinez, CO6CBF, has uploaded his 100th satellite QSL in Logbook of the World and is expected to become the first satellite VUCC award recipient in Cuba. Meantime, George Carr, WA5KBH says that he has received the satellite contact logs and cards from Hector and is ready to perform as QSL manager. Contacts from CO6CBF home grid of EL92 and his recent trip to EL91 and FL01 are being processed. If you have made contact with Hector, please send your cards to his callbook address and include a SASE. (WA5KBH)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS, W8ILC RETIRES FROM ARRL FIELD ORGANIZATION AFTER 50 YEARS OF SERVICE

And after more than five decades of continuous service, Ron Moorefield, W8ILC, has announced that he is retiring from the ARRL Field Organization effective October 1st.

Currently the District Emergency Coordinator for Ohio District Three, W8ILC began his volunteer service back in 1960 as the Assistant Emergency Coordinator for Ohio's Montgomery, Preble and Greene Counties in 1960. In 1963 he was appointed Emergency Coordinator for these same counties from 1963 to 1983. When the ARRL started the District Emergency Coordinator position, he took on that role and served in it to the present.

Over his five decades of service, Moorefield was involved in a number of major emergency response callouts. These include the 1974 and 2000 Xenia tornadoes, the September 1978 Miamisburg train derailment, several blizzards, numerous ice storms and many floods.

During his tenure, Moorefield said that his group developed a very good relationship with the American Red Cross and many other served agencies. In announcing his retirement W8ILC said that he will continue to support ARES but that after more than 50 years that he feels its time to turn group's leadership over to new blood.

In addition to his five decade participation in Ohio ARES Moorefield has also been one of the true guiding lights of the yearly Dayton Hamvention since its inception. (ARNewsline(tm))

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ON THE AIR: NEW 6 METER NET IN GEORGIA

A group of hams near Atlanta, Georgia, have begun a weekly 6 meter net and welcome everyone who might wish to participate. Check in is at

00:30 UTC on 50.155 Mhz. The gathering is kept informal and conducted for the purpose of increasing the activity level on the 6 meter band. The current net control station is Rob Momon, N4VPI, located in La Grange about 60 miles southwest of Atlanta. If you hear them, please join in. (W4GCB)

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ON THE AIR: ANNOUNCING REGISTRATION FOR ILLW 2012

With 11 months to go, some 70 entities have already signed up almost instantly after registration for the 2012 International Lighthouse and Lightship weekend opened. This fun ham radio celebration continues to grow and it's no surprise that those already listed make an early commitment to show their strong support.

The 2012 International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend will be held on August 18th and 19th. Ongoing information along with registration can be found on-line at illw.net. You can also follow this event by becoming a friend of its Facebook page with more than 1,000 fans so far. (VK3PC)

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In DX, word that Routuma Island should now be on the air. In a press release issued late last week the 3D2R team said that it had assembled in Suva, Fiji, and was preparing for its two day ocean voyage to Rotuma. They anticipated arriving late in the evening on September 27th and hoped to be on the air early on September 28th. If you make contact, QSL via YT1AD

W1UE will be operating from the 6Y1V contest station on Jamaica through October 4th. His activity will focus on the low bands using CW, SSB and RTTY, as time permits. QSL via his home callsign using any call directory dated 2009 or later.

DL2NUD, DL8YHR and DL9MS will be active as 8P9HP, 8P9DL and 8P9MS, respectively, from Barbados between November 7th and the 21st. Their operation will be on the High Frequency bands as well as 6 and 2 meter moonbounce. QSL via their home callsigns.

The countdown has started on the Mediterraneo DX Club's DXpedition to Nepal. This operation is slated to begin on November 13th and run through the 25th. More information on this one is on-line at www.mdxc.org/nepal2011

VE3EY and VE3TA will be active portable FJ from St. Barthelemy between November 22nd and the 29th. Using a T Oh 3 prefix callsign. Their operation will will include the CQ World Wwide DX CW Contest on November 26th and 27th as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via their home callsigns.

Lastly, word that DL5YMM will be active portable HK0 from San Andres Island from October 5th to the 13th. No operating times or frequencies have been announced. If you work him, QSL as directed on the air.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: COME AND JOIN US ON THE AIRWAVES REVISITED

And finally this week, the story of a music video about ham radio. It title is "Come and Join Us On The Airwaves" and it was written and performed by Andrew John Huddleston, OZ5E. Andrew, along with his wife Lissa Ladefoged, are country music devotees who live in Aarhus, Denmark, and are likely best known simply as The Ham Band. This, as a result of their 1994 CD of amateur radio related songs simply titled "Seek You."

About a decade ago, Andrew and Lissa produced a ham radio video titled "Come And Join Us On the Airwaves." The video features Andrew in a tuxedo atop a 100 foot high tower and Lissa at the 60 foot level performing the song while un corking a bottle of Champaign. Unfortunately, when the video was posted to YouTube, the technology of the day did not do justice to the visual content. Now with the advent of High Definition video on the YouTube site, that has all changed:

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OZ5E: "The original version of the video that we uploaded to YouTube wasa actually quite good quality. I would say medium quality. It was viewed by about 18,000 people which I thought was quite impressive.

"And then the strangest thing happened. Some other people; I think two or three other individuals, have uploaded really low quality versions of the video (with) the wrong aspeact ratio and rotten sound and these versions have been viewed by no less than half a million people. So we thought to put the High Definition version out there so that people can see that our (ham) radio station is a very, very pretty one."

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Comparing the original posting to the new upload by Andrew using true 720p high definition video is breathtaking. Especially when you look past the singers on Andrew's tower and gaze at the splendor of the Danish countryside where it was produced. It's so sharp and crystal clear that its as close as one can get to being there. You can experience the new Hi Definition "Come And Join Us On The Airwaves" on YouTube. Just use the shortcut of tinyurl.com/ham-song.

The groups website is in cyberspace at www.hamband.com. And less we forget to mention it, everyone seen on the tower was using safety gear. (ARNewsline(tm))

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editor's desk, I'm Jim Damron, N8TMW, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 2nd October 2011

The news headlines:

* RSGB Convention next weekend

* GPS disruption tests due in East Anglia

* International support for RSGB-proposed 472 to 480kHz amateur band

The RSGB Convention takes place next weekend, 7 to 9 October at Horwood House, near Milton Keynes. Booking for room packages closes today, 2 October, but day tickets, priced £6.50, are available for either Saturday or Sunday. Lectures run from 9.30am to 5.45pm on Saturday and 9am to 3.30pm on Sunday. See www.rsgb.org.uk/rsgbconvention for details.

Ofcom has announced that multiple jammers will be disrupting the SatNav GPS system around Stanford, East Anglia, between 0900 and 1730BST from 3 to 7 October. There will be multiple jammers, land based, within 5km of N52° 31.0' E000° 45.0' using 24MHz band signals centred around 1575.42MHz. It is stressed that Safety of Life operations will at all times take precedence over exercise activities. For further in formation contact InfoGPS.Notices@ofcom.org.uk.

For several years the RSGB has been very actively involved in preparations for the 2012 World Radio Congress, or WRC-12. The work centres on creating a European Common Proposal, or ECP, for a secondary amateur allocation in the band 415 to 526.5kHz. Society representatives have been working with one of CEPT's project teams to secure a positive outcome on this, the only amateur radio-related agenda item. At its meeting between 26 and 29 September the CEPT project team approved a draft ECP for an 8kHz-wide band between 472 and 480kHz. This draft ECP now goes to CEPT's Conference Preparatory Group for formal ratification in November. This breakthrough, at the 11th and final meeting of the project team, occurred with the submission by Ofcom of an RSGB-drafted compromise ECP proposal. Whilst the 8kHz band differs from that agreed by CITEL, a similar regional grouping of countries to CEPT but in the Americas, there is a 6kHz overlap. Of course there is still some way to go, but the prospect of an agreed CEPT position is good progress, representing a 48 country block vote going into next year's WRC-12. It needs to be noted that the draft ECP comes with significant caveats to avoid interference to the primary user, as well as the existing

secondary user services. These are the maritime and aeronautical radionavigation services respectively. As secondary users we would also not be afforded any protection. It should be acknowledged that we have had support from a number of Region 1 national societies as well as Ofcom in getting to this position

The British Astronomical Association is organising a meteor watch exercise for the coming Draconids shower, between 7 and 9 October. It would be interesting to compare meteor scatter counts against activity reported by visual observers up and down the country. The Draconids are not normally a large event but are subject to occasional outbursts and there has been speculation that this year could produce one of these. Observations are requested across the three days of 7, 8 and 9 October. Preferably these would be around- the clock, but if this is not possible, between 1500 and 2300UTC on the three days. Counts in 15-minute bins will be appropriate for most of the time but on the evening of 8 October, most likely between 1800 and 2100UTC, the rates may be changing very quickly and so it would be advantageous to have the counts in 5- minute bins. It is very important that receiver settings and antenna alignment are kept constant throughout the period of observation. If possible, the beam of the antenna should be directed towards the mid-point of the great circle path joining the transmitter and receiver locations. Paul Hyde, G4CSD the BAA Coordinator for the Radio Astronomy Group, will be consolidating the observations into a single report which will be sent to all participants. Please contact him by e-mail to radiogroup@britastro.org for further information on how to submit reports.

The T32C DXpedition to Kirimitati now has 10 Yaesu FT-450 transceivers and eight linear amplifiers on the island, along with the hardware to put up gain antennas for 10 through 80 metres, and a big vertical for 160m. They also plan to install Beverages for receiving. Operation should be in full swing by this weekend and they aim to post any breaking news on the DXpedition website, www.t32c.com.

The Central Scotland Mini Convention is a new event planned for June 2012. It will be held at the Crofthead Farm Community Education Centre, Livingston. Planned attractions include traders' tables, a bring and buy stall and a programme of talks. Further details will be posted at http://uk.groups.yahoo.com/group/cshrc when they become available.

In under a year the AMSAT-UK FUNcube Yahoo Group has achieved over 2000 members. The group was created by Rob Styles, M0TFO at the end of October 2010. Its purpose is to provide support for the AMSAT- UK FUNcube satellite and the FUNcube Dongle software defined radio package. There are two talks at this year's RSGB Convention on the Funcube satellite and the FUNcube dongle by Graham Shirville, G3VZV and Howard Long, G6LVB respectively.

The 54th Jamboree On The Air will take place on 15 and 16 October. This year's theme is Peace, Environment and Natural Disasters. Within this year's JOTA, an emergency communications exercise will take place on

Saturday, 15 October, 2011 in the afternoon, European time zone. This simulated emergency test will include the Headquarters station, HB9S, of the World Organisation of the Scout Movement, which will be operated by amateurs from 5 different countries.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

The RSGB Convention takes place at Horwood House near Milton Keynes on 7 to 9 October. Five lecture streams are available on both Saturday and Sunday, totalling 65 lectures to choose from. There is also a Partners Programme for those not interested in the radio events of the weekend, with a trip to Stowe Landscape Gardens and Milton Keynes. Both UK and US exams are available over the weekend. See www.rsgb.org/rsgbconvention for full details.

The Autumn Militaria & Electronics & Radio Amateur Hangar Sale takes place on 9 October at the Hack Green Secret Nuclear Bunker, Nantwich, Cheshire, CW5 8AL. Doors open at 10am and admission is £2.50. There will be civil, military and vintage radio equipment plus vehicle spares and more. Contact Rod Siebert, 01270 623 353. Now for the news of special events

To celebrate the 40th anniversary of HMS Belfast's arrival in the Pool of London, in October 1971, the London Group of the RNARS will be active as GB40HMSB between 1 October and 31 December. A commemorative QSL card will be available in the New Year.

And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

DL8KX and DD8ZJ will be active as 9H3KX from Gozo Island between 8 and 14 October. Their operation will be on the HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL via DL8KX either direct or via by the bureau.

There is a joint US/Australian trip to Vanuatu until 12 October. The callsign will be YJ0VK. They will be on all bands from 10 to 160m using CW, SSB and RTTY/PSK31. QSLs go via VK2CA.

DK0RZ will be on the air from Hallig Hooge, which is IOTA reference EU-042, on 5 to 8 October. They plan to operate CW, SSB and PSK31. QSL via the bureau.

DJ7RJ will be operating as FR/DJ7RJ from Reunion Island, which is IOTA reference AF-016, between 4 and 26 October. He will operate CW and SSB on 10 to 160m, with a focus on the low bands using a 500 watt amplifier into an inverted L antenna. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

A group of operators from the Workington Radio Club and the Sands Contest Group will be active as MS0WRC from the Isle of Tiree until 8 October. QSL via G0MTD, direct or bureau.

Now the contest news

The IARU 432MHz-248GHz Contest runs until 1400UTC on 2 October. The exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The 21/28MHz Contest takes place today, Sunday 2 October. The planned deletion of this event from the contest calendar may have contributed to the substantial increase in entries in all sections last year. They are hoping for similar results this year. Taking place from 0700 to 1900UTC and using CW and SSB on the two bands, the exchange is signal report, serial number and district.

Tuesday 4 October sees the 144MHZ UK Activity Contest taking place from 1900 to 2130UTC. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

On the 8th and 9th, the CW legs of the Oceania DX and the EU Sprint take place. The Oceania DX is from 0800 to 0800UTC and the EU Sprint from 1600 to 2000UTC. Being a sprint, of course there's a QSY rule. It says that if you make a QSO as a result of calling CQ or QRZ, you then have to QSY a minimum of 2kHz before you can make another QSO. And please don't forget that the exchange includes both callsigns. And now the solar factual data for the period from the 19th to the 25th of September, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on the 26th of September.

After several warnings about a sudden increase in solar activity, this week it happened with a bang. Solar activity started the period at low levels with large C class solar flares on the 19th and the 20th. On the 21st, a large new sunspot group was rotating into view, and it produced an X1 solar flare on the 22nd. Activity continued to increase and on the 24th a further X1 class solar flare took place, along with a number of large M class flares, and not all from the same group because two small groups produced weaker M class flares. Strong sudden ionospheric disturbances and large coronal mass ejections accompanied many of the large solar flares. Solar flux levels increased steadily during the period from 141 units on the 19th to 158 by the 23rd. The figure for the 24th was 190, however, this was measured at the usual delay that coincided with a large solar flare taking place at the same time, so the figure is what we call `flare enhanced', a more realistic figure would have been around the mid 160's, but the figure of 190 will be recorded which makes that the highest daily figure for this cycle. The next day the figure was 169. The average was 157 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 25th was 108, that's five units up on the previous week. X-ray flux levels increased from B7.1 units to C2.7 by the 25th. The average was C1. Geomagnetic activity was quiet all week with the Ap index into the low single figures every day. The average was Ap 4 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds vary between 300 and 450 kilometres per second. Densities were low throughout and the Bz varied no more that minus 5 and plus 6 nanoTeslas during the period.

And now the solar forecast. This week still should see the active side of the Sun looking our way, at first anyway, but by next weekend solar activity should decline as the large sunspot group rotates out of view. Solar flux levels should decline to around the 120's later in the week. Geomagnetic activity should be quiet at first but, due to a coronal hole, activity should increase by next weekend. A warning though, at

any time this week a coronal mass ejection could arrive and with it geomagnetic activity will increase significantly. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 30MHz for the south and 27MHz for the north, though these levels should decline as the week progresses and will be much lower if any large scale magnetic storms take place. Darkness hour lows should about 12MHz. This week the Five Star DXers Association DXpedition to Christmas Island in the Pacific with the callsign T32C will be under way. Hopefully by now the pile ups will be somewhat smaller. If the solar flux levels remain high then best time to try to work them on 28MHz will be between 0930 and 1130 short path and around 0900 on the long path. Failing that, 14MHz will be open from around 0730 through till around midday on the short path and from 0600 on the long path. With it being a polar path, quiet magnetic conditions are almost essential and any medium sized disturbances will make it all the more difficult to work them. Next week we will have the LF bands forecast.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your

transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS On Sunday 2 October Cheltenham Amateur Radio Association is starting a new meeting for those just discovering the hobby. The initial meeting will be at 4pm on Sunday at the Brizen Youth Centre, Up Hatherley Way, Cheltenham. More information, including a location map and Facebook contact, is at www.caranet.co.uk.

On Sunday 2 October Lincoln Short-Wave Club is clearing up after the National Hamfest For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Monday 3 October Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is having a talk by Cliff Powlesland, G8CQZ on a DDS based signal generator. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Monday 3 October South Birmingham Radio Society is putting the shack on the air and having an open meeting and ragchew. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Tuesday 4 October Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a junk sale. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 4 October Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club is having a talk on RAYNET by A Clark, G8EVI. Contact Chris, M0MFP, on 01507 442 240.

On Tuesday 4 October Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is holding an open forum for ideas about the forthcoming open day. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Wednesday 5 October Midland Amateur Radio Society is having an open meeting, putting the shack on the air and holding training classes. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 01214 229 787.

On Wednesday 5 October South Birmingham Radio Society is having a lecture in the main hall at 8pm. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Wednesday 5 October South Kesteven Amateur Radio Society is looking back at the National Hamfest. Contact Nigel, M0CVO, on 01476 402 550.

On Wednesday 5 October Telford & District Amateur Radio Society HQ is closed and there is a committee meeting at Stafford Park. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677. On Thursday 6 October Derby RAYNET Amateur Radio Group is having a demonstration of software defined radio by Steve, G8EBM. Contact Martin, G7MKS, via email to contactus@derbyraynet.co.uk.

On Thursday 6 October Salop Amateur Radio Society is holding its construction competition. Details on the club website at www.salop-ars.org.uk.

On Thursday 6 October South Birmingham Radio Society is having training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Friday 7 October Coventry Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by G4GEE on radio and cruising the Scottish islands & Norwegian fjords. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

On Friday 7 October South Birmingham Radio Society is having a construction evening. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Sunday 9 October Midland Amateur Radio Society is at the RSGB Convention at Horwood House, Little Horwood, Milton Keynes. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 01214 229 787.

On Sunday 9 October South Birmingham Radio Society is at the RSGB Convention at Horwood House, Little Horwood, Milton Keynes. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND On Sunday 2 October Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the 21/28MHz Contest. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Monday 3 October Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Monday 3 October Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having a social evening. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to

sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 3 October Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night and construction competition. Details on the web at www.tcars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 4 October Chester & District Amateur Radio Society is having a quiz versus Wirral and District. Details from Barbara Green on 07957 870 770.

On Tuesday 4 October Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is continuing its Intermediate and Foundation training courses and constructing a new aerial to be erected at the Church. Contact Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341 317.

On Tuesday 4 October Stockport Radio Society is preparing the G5O QSL cards for distribution to the QSL Bureau. More information from Nigel Roscoe, on 07973 312 699.

On Wednesday 5 October Denby Dale Radio Club is holding its mini rally at the Pie Hall, Denby Dale. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220 126. On Wednesday 5 October Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is having a tale of two workshops. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Thursday 6 October Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air and having a club night. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 07876 085 631.

On Thursday 6 October South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having an antenna & propagation clinic with Ron, G3SVW. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Friday 7 October East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is on the air. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Sunday 9 October Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is holding its Advanced exam. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club will be holding a foundation course and exam over the weekend of Friday 28 and Saturday 29 October. Anyone wishing get on the first step of amateur radio should register for the course by Monday 10 October. To register, go to www.muarc.com/courseapplicationform.htm and complete the form. More information on the course from the exam secretary, Martin, MI0YMF, on 02838 852 712.

On Sunday 9 October Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club is holding its monthly meeting from 3pm at Brownlow Resource Centre, Brownlow Road, Craigavon, BT65 5DL. Details are online at www.muarc.com.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday 4 October Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club evening. Details from Norman, on 07740 946 192.

On Wednesday 5 October Lothians Radio Society is having a talk about DXpeditioning to Senegal & Jersey by Tom Wylie, GM4FDM. Contact Andy Sinclair, by email to secretary@lothiansradiosociety.com.

On Thursday 6 October Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is holding a junk sale. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663.

On Friday 7 October Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club is having a normal club night. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA The GB2RS news readings in the Bromley, Kent area, terminated recently when the main news reader had to stand down for personal reasons. The readings took place at 7pm on 145.525MHz and at 8pm via 70cm repeater GB3OK. Unfortunately the reserve news reader is also no longer available. Consequently, two or three new volunteer readers are required urgently. Volunteers must be members of the RSGB and need to be within the service area of the Bromley repeater, GB3OK. The retiring readers were in Chislehurst and Crayford. The reading via GB3OK had extensive coverage with a large following. If you are interested, please contact the GB2RS News Manager, Gordon, G3LEQ, on 01565 652 652 for further information.

On Sunday 2 October Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is having its breakfast meeting at the Goring Cafe. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816 684.

On Monday 3 October Braintree & District Amateur Radio Society is planning for JOTA and having a talk on RAYNET by G0DEC. For more information contact John, M5AJB, on 01787 460 947.

On Monday 3 October Burnham Beeches Radio Club is having a surplus equipment sale. Contact Dave, G4XDU, on 01628 625 720.

On Monday 3 October Edgware & District Radio Society is having a short talk by Steve, G0PQB on the Royal Airship Works. More information from Mike, G4RNW, on 02089 500 658.

On Monday 3 October Felixstowe & District Amateur Radio Society is having a fish & chip supper. More information from Paul, G4YQC, by email to pjw@btinternet.com.

On Monday 3 October Southdown Amateur Radio Society is having a talk at Chaseley. Details from John, G3DQY, on 01424 424 319.

On Monday 3 October Surrey Radio Contact Club Autumn is having a surplus equipment sale. Contact John, G3MCX, on 02086 883 322.

On Tuesday 4 October Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is holding its AGM. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Tuesday 4 October Verulam Amateur Radio Club is holding its 50th Birthday Dinner at 8pm at the Quality Hotel, St Albans. Details from Tony, 2EOWAP, on 01727 853 087.

On Wednesday 5 October Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is having a general meeting and CW training session. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday 5 October Southdown Amateur Radio Society is operating at the Hailsham shack. Details from John, G3DQY, on 01424 424 319.

On Wednesday 5 October Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a discussion evening. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816 684.

On Thursday 6 October Cray Valley Radio Society is having a presentation on high performance antennas by Justin Johnson, G0KSC. Contact Malcolm Bryan, G8MCA, on 07906 433 965 On Thursday 6 October Horndean & District Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night and social evening. Contact Stuart, G0FYX, on 02392 472 846.

On Thursday 6 October Horsham Amateur Radio Club is having a used equipment sale. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk.

On Thursday 6 October Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a club night at the shack. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564 242.

On Thursday 6 October Reading & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a wireless workshop. Details from Pete, G8FRC, on 01189 695 697.

On Thursday 6 October Verulam Amateur Radio Club is having a social evening with repeater group GB3VH from 7.30pm at the Queens Head Pub, Sandridge. Details from Tony, 2EOWAP, on 01727 853 087.

On Friday 7 October Crystal Palace Radio and Electronics Club is having a talk on military radio equipment for the amateur by Dennis Noe, M0NDJ. Contact Bob, G3OOU, on 01737 552 170.

On Friday 7 October Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on HRD and Datamodes by Dave Cutts, M0TAZ. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 02085 021 645.

On Friday 7 October Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a radio night. Contact Peter, G4AKG, on 01444 239 371.

On Friday 7 October Wey Valley Amateur Radio Group is having a club night. Details on the web at www.weyvalleyarg.org.uk.

On Saturday 8 October Crystal Palace Radio and Electronics Club continues its Foundation training course. Contact Bob, G3OOU, on 01737 552 170.

On Saturday 8 October Newbury & District Amateur Radio Society is at Thatcham Arts & Leisure. Details from Rob, G4LMW, on 01635 862 737.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST On Tuesday 4 October West Devon Radio Club is having a natter night and open evening. Further information from Jules Cuddy, M1AGY, on 01752 291 588.

On Wednesday 5 October Banbury Amateur Radio Society will be meeting at the QTH of Frank, M0BJN, where Simon, GW0NVN will be giving a presentation on a simple 80m PSK31 transceiver. Further details and directions are online at www.banburyarc.org.

On Wednesday 5 October Cornish Radio Amateur Club is holding a committee meeting at Perranarworthal Church Hall. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844 939.

On Wednesday 5 October Taunton & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its AGM. Contact William, G3WNI, on 01823 666 234 for more information. On Wednesday 5 October Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on radio restoration by Doug, G7FCO. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Wednesday 5 October Trowbridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having a practical demo of ATV by G8BYI & G8DRK. Details from Ian, G0GRI, on 01225 864 698, evenings and weekends.

On Thursday 6 October Cornish Radio Amateur Club is meeting at Gweal an Top School. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844 939.

On Thursday 6 October South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is having a workshop on Morse code. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

On Thursday 6 October Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on Cooke and Wheatstone and the introduction of the electric telegraph on Britain's railways by Mr John Biffen of the Science Museum. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Thursday 6 October Yeovil Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on amateur and weather satellites by Steve, G7AHP. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk.

On Friday 7 October North Bristol Amateur Radio Club is holding a Bring and Buy. More information from Dick on 01454 218 362.

On Friday 7 October Saltash & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its annual junk sale. Visitor are most welcome. Contact Brian, M0BHG, on 01752 844 321.

On Friday 7 October Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES On Monday 3 October Dragon Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the early history of radio by GW8NZN. More information from Stewart Rolfe, GW0ETF, on 07833 620 733.

On Tuesday 4 October Wrexham Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by Mike on domestic radio restoration, from acquisition to enjoyment. More information from Patrick, 2W0HUU, on 07947 701 927.

934. Re: shownatovah

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-30 15:34:56 UTC
From: "tholen@antispam.ham" <tholen@ifa.hawaii.edu>
Message-ID: <3c705884-6b27-4138-b07b-ac5f6ccc3351@t11g2000yqk.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4174
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy,alt.usenet.kooks

kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com> writes:

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rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy,alt.usenet.
kooks

499> Message-ID: <f7917147-050d-4fc5-
a909-720c155522f8@z19g2000vby.googlegroups.com>

What does your empty response to Mark Morgan have to do with
rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack,comp.os.os2.advocacy,
rec.radio.amateur.policy,alt.usenet.kooks, kb9rqz?

935. Re: shownatovah

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-30 15:46:00 UTC
From: % <persent@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <1p-dnelWz9w_fxjTnZ2dnUVZ_iydnZ2d@giganews.com>
Source record: 4175
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy,alt.usenet.kooks

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what does that fact that you have a limited vocabulary ,
have to do with the diameter of your head
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936. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #1029.3

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-09-30 17:08:37 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <285203.59146.qm@smtp106.sbc.mail.ne1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 4176
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1029.3
Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin No. 1029.3

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Special Bulletin No. 1029.3
BID: $OPDX.1029.3
September 30, 2011
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW (Currently in Murfreesboro, TN)
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network and G3XTT for the following DX information.

T32C Bulletin #6 (Press Release)

Our plan is to commence operations at midnight local time today here in Christmas, which is 1000 UTC Friday 30th September. We expect to be active on several bands from the start.

We do, however, have only one station per band for the time being, so for the first few days will probably alternate modes on a (roughly) 24 hour basis. On the non-WARC bands we expect to start on CW and then, at 1200 UTC on Saturday, move to SSB and make a serious multi-multi entry in the Oceania contest (which runs for 24 hours). This should get our SSB operations off to a great start. We are able to work all comers in the contest, so we very much want your call, whether you are taking part or just need a T32 QSO. We will give you a contest report (RS+serial number); if you are taking part please give us your serial number in return.

OTHER DXPEDITIONS

We are very much aware that there are other expeditions active at this time, and will take every care to avoid causing any sort of mutual QRM. This may well mean that we operate on frequencies other than those that we pre-announced. No doubt we will be spotted on the Cluster network, in any case.

ONGOING PLANS

We remain committed to maximising band openings to Europe, but expect the number of callers in the first few days to make this difficult if not impossible. But bear in mind that we will be active for 3 weeks and four weekends, so there should be plenty of opportunities (propagation permitting) for a QSO. We will continue to send out news and

photographs when the opportunity arises • our website is being regularly updated by webmaster G3WPH and those of who you who use Twitter can follow us on G7VJR•s Twitter feed (@G7VJR).

Don Field G3XTT, (don.field@gmail.com) 30 September 2011

(FSDXA Publicity Officer)

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject•lp>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject•bscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject•subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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Excerpts and distribution of The OPDX Bulletin are granted as long as KB8NW/OPDX/BARF80 receive credit. To contribute DX info, please send via InterNet Mail to: kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org - OR - kb8nw@arrl.net
Information can now be faxed to the following "NEW" phone line at:
1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)

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Sysop of the "Basic Amateur Radio Frequency BBS" (BARF80.ORG)

937. ZL Ham October Band Scope

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-01 01:35:48 UTC
From: Peter Bennett ZL1UPB <news-nospam1@zlham.geek.nz>
Message-ID: <j65qpd$r8t$1@posting.glorb.com>
Source record: 4177
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

The October issue of ZL Ham Band Scope is out.

ZL Ham Band Scope is a round up of news, contests, views and items of
interest bought to you at the start of every month.

This month...

Practical Solutions
Tri Band Heaven
RSM Matters
Western Suburbs Sale
Rugby World Cup
Freescale MC9S08 101
DX This Month
Bits And Bobs
Last Band Scope

Members can go to the ZL Ham Download section or non members can use the
link below to download your copy of Band Scope.

October 2011 Band Scope

Via FTP
ftp://zlham.geek.nz/Bandscope/bandscope-2011-10.pdf

Via HTTP
http://www.zlham.geek.nz/Bandscope/bandscope-2011-10.pdf

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Peter Bennett ZL1UPB

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938. Crossposting Permitted to rec.radio.amateur.moderated

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-01 06:00:02 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting-1-1317448801@panix.com>
Source record: 4178
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting
Revision: 1.1 2009/04/12 19:42:04
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rram/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

After a 30-day public discussion and feedback period to gauge reader
opinions in March of 2009:

http://groups.google.com/group/rec.radio.amateur.moderated/browse_thread/thread/d7d337db35
f23326

the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team has decided to consider
amending its charter, and permit limited simultaneous crossposting to
rec.radio.amateur.moderated and one other unmoderated
amateur-radio-related discussion newsgroup. We are currently trying
this on a temporary basis (90 days, through early July 2009), and adopt
it permanently if successful.

Approved rec.radio.amateur.* newsgroups are those that are currently
listed in the latest version of the "List of Big Eight Newsgroups" which
is crossposted monthly to news.announce.newgroups, news.groups, and
news.lists.misc.

Approved alt.radio.amateur.* and alt.ham-radio.* newsgroups are those
that have been created consistent with the suggestions in "So You Want
to Create an Alt Newsgroup" at:

http://www.faqs.org/faqs/alt-creation-guide/

Approved regional hierarchy newsgroups are those that contain either
"radio.amateur" or "ham-radio" in their names, including
uk.radio.amateur and aus.radio.amateur.misc.

We will make every reasonable effort to keep our list of approved
newsgroups up-to-date. In case we have overlooked any, and a submission
is rejected in error as a result, the rejected submitter can E-mail us
at our administrative contact address (in the signature at the bottom of
this article, and the default Reply-To for the rejection message)
requesting that it be added, and that the article be approved. We may
still choose to reject articles crossposted to any alt.* newsgroup with
an inappropriate name, including obscene language, embedded
name-calling, or encouragement of unlawful conduct.
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Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-amateur-moderated-request@panix.com.

939. [RAC-Bulletin] [EMCOMM]: Forward: Information - Ophelia - 2011-10-01 05:46:11 UTC

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-01 06:35:53 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4E86B43E.5050308@rac.ca>
Source record: 4179
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Information - Ophelia - 2011-10-01 05:46:11 UTC
2011-10-01

This is the latest from the Canadian Hurricane Center. Amateurs in the Maritimes and Newfoundland are well advised to test and fuel your generator in preparation in case you are called upon. Ophelia is still being evasive. Winds don't seem to be a factor, however rainfall might be a factor.

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WOCN31 CWHX 010545
Tropical cyclone information statement updated by the Canadian Hurricane Centre of Environment Canada at 2:44 AM ADT Saturday 1 October 2011.

Tropical cyclone information statement for:
Newfoundland
Nova Scotia.

For hurricane Ophelia.

The next statement will be issued by 9:00 AM ADT.

Hurricane Ophelia to pass east of Bermuda today. Will spread Gales to offshore Maritimes waters Sunday evening. Moisture From Ophelia could enhance rainfall over the region later in The weekend.

==discussion==
1. Summary of basic information at 3:00 AM ADT.

Location: near 27.2 north 63.1 west.

About 590 kilometres south-southeast of Bermuda.

Maximum sustained winds: near 195 km/hour.

Present movement: north at 28 km/hour.

Minimum central pressure: 957 MB.

2. Public weather impacts and warnings summary.

Ophelia is forecast to remain at or near a category-three storm for much of today then pass east of Bermuda later this afternoon. Meanwhile an unrelated non-tropical weather system with a frontal zone extending into the tropics is forecast to move into the maritime provinces today and Sunday. As Ophelia moves northward, it is expected that the this frontal system will nearly stall over Nova Scotia and Newfoundland.

Computer models are still showing a range of scenarios for Ophelia's track - ranging from not far east of Cape Breton to well offshore over the Grand Banks off Newfoundland.

A. Wind.

Greatest chance for strong winds from Ophelia is over Eastern Newfoundland as well as offshore Maritimes and Newfoundland waters. At this point in time, there is about a 50% chance of tropical storm-force winds over Eastern Newfoundland. Tropical storm-force is approximately 60 gusting to 90 km/h. Chance of hurricane-force gusts (120 km/h) over land is only about 5-10%.

B. Rainfall.

Rainfall warnings will likely be issued for parts of Nova Scotia this morning for rain from the previously mentioned non-tropical system.

Some forecast scenarios indicate this stalled frontal system could tap in to some of Ophelia's moisture Sunday night or into Monday giving the possibility of additional heavy rainfall over parts of Nova Scotia and Newfoundland. We will be monitoring this aspect of the weather systems particularly closely given the potential for very heavy rainfall with that setup.

C. Surge/waves.

Too early to speculate on surge effects. Waves will likely be a concern along the South Coast of Newfoundland later this weekend. Ocean swell will also likely begin to reach the Atlantic coast of Nova Scotia later on Sunday into Monday.

3. Marine weather impacts and warnings summary.

Given Ophelia's expected track will bring it near southeastern Maritimes marine areas by Sunday evening, gale warnings have been

issued for Laurentian Fan and the southeastern half of East Scotian Slope. Storm or possibly hurricane force winds could effect these waters as well as the Grand Banks early on Monday.

Large waves expected - especially to the right of Ophelia's track as it moves into Canadian waters.

Visit weatheroffice.Gc.Ca/hurricane (all in lower case) for the latest:

- forecast position, central pressure table.

- strength and predicted wind radii table.

- hurricane track information map.

- technical discussion.

Please also refer to the public and marine forecasts and warnings issued by Environment Canada for your area.

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940. WIANEWS for WEEK COMMENCING OCTOBER 2 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-01 16:24:56 UTC
From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
Message-ID: <f0dafe53-6cdb-4e0b-813f-4025f626480c@smxsrv01.vintek.net>
Source record: 4180
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2011-10-02.mp3
Text edition:

THE BEST NEWS YOU'LL GET ALL WEEK

Oh... and to contact us with your news because
If It Matters To You It Matters To Us!

email nationalnews@wia.org.au

http://www.wia.org.au (click news in member area) Submit your audio news

TWITTER http://twitter.com/VK1WIA

Please.. If you are only submitting text and not audio, write your story as
you would expect to hear it being read back and NEVER send just links & url's.

WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING OCTOBER 2 2011.

THIS WEEKS NEWS THANKS TO AMATEUR RADIO NSW AND
JOHN VK2JPM AND TIM VK2ZTM AND IS PRODUCED BY MATHEW MAGEE

THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE OF AUSTRALIA
IS FOR WEEK COMMENCING OCTOBER 02 2011.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS IS HERE (OR THERE).

The annual curtain fading season has hit in the southern eastern states
and will end on the first Sunday in April 2012.

VK2WI maintains the local times of 10 am and 7.30 pm for these services.
For those using UTC there is a one hour shift.

This time change is a good occasion to renew batteries in all those clocks and
smoke alarms.

(SOURCED TO VK2WI NEWS)

Antenna Masts - A Golden Opportunity for NSW Amateurs

Antenna Height Regulations- NSW Planning Review

We Radio amateurs view our antenna structures as things of beauty, but not
everyone shares those sentiments. Everyone would agree large antennas should be
subject to the development approval process, but what about antennas lower than

say 10 metres?

Some councils say that no permit is required for a free-standing mast of 6m, or if attached to a bulding no higher than 3m above the peak roof height. This height is really too low for an effective HF antenna.

The difficulty here is that there are no uniform rules across the Nation, let alone the State, or even across a city. So, an antenna that does not require development approval in one local government area may be out of the question alltogether in another.

Some councils simply don't know, or put radio amateur antennas in the same catagory as commercial communications facilities, with the same restrictions.

Amateur radio towers and antenna heights are regulated through local environment plans (LEPs). In NSW, the Dpt of Planning is looking to change to the way LEPs are made and to make them more flexible. To this end a planning review team is holding a series of public meetings around NSW and is accepting written submissions.

There MAY be an opportunity here to improve the situation for radio amateurs in NSW - the most populous state for hams - if as many NSW radio amateurs as possible make written submissions to the review. We believe written submission would be more effective that attending the public meetings - but time is short.

Background information and directions on how to make an effective written submission will be placed on the WIA website at www.wia.org.au

(Phil Wait VK2ASD)

EMERGENCY service crews could not find the downed Angel Flight that killed three people until hours after the crash because the aircraft's locator transmitter did not activate.

An Australian Transport Safety Bureau investigation found the crash site was not located until two hours after the crash.

The ATSB found witnesses raised the alarm immediately but the plane's emergency locator transmitter did not activate, complicating the rescue operation.

news.com.au/breaking-news/angel-flight-crash-site-was-hard-to-find/story-e6frfku0-1226141806082#ixzz1Z267idOG

DO NOT ADJUST YOUR SET.

COOLOOLA Coast (VK4) TV reception is on the improve following adjustments to the new digital transmitters at the three sites.

A Digital Switchover Taskforce spokesman said following reports of reception difficulties in Cooloola Cove, Tin Can Bay and Rainbow Beach, the Taskforce found a number of issues that required further investigation by broadcasters an engineering team from Regional Broadcasting Australia made adjustments to the three new digital transmitters.

Last weekend an intermittent transmitter fault was identified. Broadcasters expect that they will be able to permanently resolve the fault with assistance from the transmitter manufacturer within a few days.

(Gympie Times OnLine)

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The Summertime of Amateur Radio

Greetings from the WIA, this is Ewan VK4ERM, considering the Summertime of Amateur Radio.

With the warmer months upon us and those lazy, hazy days of summer so close, many of us will be taking the opportunity to escape into the solitude of the bush for weekends or longer periods to enjoy portable operation in locations away from manmade noise and interference. While there we may well enjoy the company of family, friends, wildlife, on air contacts and fire.

Did I say fire?

Unfortunately, I am not referring to the well prepared campfire where people stare into the dancing flames and glowing embers solving the problems of the world but those uninvited fires that can arrive with terrifying rage and devastating effect.

Equally it can be your campfire blazing beyond practical need spiralling embers downwind to trigger spot fires in your area. Sadly, raging bush fires have caused human tragedy and property loss in most parts of Australia for hundreds of years. Many of us are experienced in assessing operating and camp sites for fire and other hazards but we cannot always assume that those with us understand the requirements nor our mental planning so it is very much the responsibility of the experienced person, whoever that may be, to ensure fire safety in the field is understood and applied by all present.

Just as we have load lists for our radio gear and tools, our camp and feeding needs so to should we have a load list and plan for fire prevention and management around our site.

Here I do not intend, nor do I have time, to cover all aspects of fire prevention and management but simply to prompt your thoughts and action on what you should attend to in your circumstances before heading out bush and when you get there.

Perhaps the first thing for your consideration is the weather forecast for the region you intend to go to and that comes down to risk assessment. If there is a high fire danger and hot dry winds forecast is it really worthwhile taking the risk of going?

Is there an alternate route out of the site you have chosen should it need to be taken to escape any fire threat?

Do other people, family or friends, know exactly where you will be and when you are expected to return? Just make sure you go to where you say you will and don't wander off elsewhere and return when you say you will if you are unable to notify them otherwise.

At your campsite have you established a fire point with extinguisher, beater, metal rake and sprayer? Seems a lot but gold when you need them.

Have you briefed everyone on where it is and assigned tasks to each of them in the event of a campsite fire or approaching fire?

Is your generator and fuel sited down hill from the rest of the camp? Does everyone who needs to know understand how to refuel and conduct generator checks?

How do you know?

Are all vehicles facing the exit route? It may seem trivial but if a major blaze is about to engulf you then every split second counts.

A wealth of further information is available from government internet sites in all states of Australia. I encourage you to gather the information and develop your fire prevention and management plans for your Summertime of Amateur Radio in the great Australian bush.

This has been Ewan VK4ERM for the WIA Board.

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

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Last weekend (24th,25th September) CRARC conducted yet another Foundation Course Weekend making a total of four assessment weekends since July this year.

They are pleased to report that the four candidates were all successful.

So keep an ear out for Clint Felmingham, Jason Smith, Mark Sweet and last but not least Kerry Sanders.

(sourced to Alan VK1WX WIA Assessor 1-001)

VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news
Email Address : r_demkiw@yahoo.com.au

LISMORE REGION FOUNDATION COURSE 29-30 October 2011.

Yes the next Foundation weekend course is planned for 29 & 30 October so please contact Duncan VK2DLR to book a place on the course.
draymont@bigpond.com

OXLEY REGION 40TH BIRTHDAY LUNCH TODAY SUNDAY.

The Oxley Region Club was formed October 2nd 1971 to develope a 2 meter repeater in the region. Their lunch is at the Port today.

VK4 - QNEWS
Send your stories for news..SCRIPT to qnews@wia.org.au
send audio to http://www.wia.org.au/members/broadcast/upload/

get local audio news www.wiaq.com/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
get local news emailed qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

Welcome to QNews from VK4WIA. I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP, and I've been thinking.

One thing that identifies a community is the shared identity and commitment of its members. I like to think of the world wide hobby of amateur radio as a community. But like the motto of recent years, it is very much a case of thinking globally and acting locally.

Our local radio club, or any club, is a community, a community of interest. How that community governs itself often defines whether it grows, remains static or drops off the radar. If there is a sharing of experience and knowledge and a willingness to include all people in the club activities, then perhaps we have made a start in growing our club.

It is well recorded how the formation of self interest groups within organisations tend to undermine the homogeneity, the unity and purpose of the organisation. From organisational psychology, group dynamics, business studies and on and on the literature is overwhelming that cliques can spell the death of a group.

It may not be even an obvious self indulgence within the clique but a lack of enthusiasm, a been there done that and it didn't work dogmatism that can do the damage. The alpha male who refuses to relinquish control can be equally damaging and we all know the saying that you can't teach an old dog new tricks.

We all want to enjoy our club activities and it is for each of us to make our club a success.

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think....how about you?

Several radio amateurs have expressed the thought that a 'weekend away' to a mutually convenient place would be a good idea for amateurs in the North Queensland region.

Such an event is, at the moment, not seen as a particular Club event, rather as a gathering of like-minded people.

If your have suggestions, ideas or simply wish to make your interest known please contact Mal Seal VK4MSS EMAIL vk4mss@wia.org.au

(SOURCED TO TARC)

MARYBOROUGH RADIO AND ELECTRONICS CLUB
For more info, call Secretary Kathy Johns 040-939-8853
Email: kathy.johns@bigpond.com
Channel 14 UHF CB call "CQ MERG"

It's the time of year that radio clubs seem to find the busiest. Hello,
I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP from Maryborough Radio and Electronics Group, Inc.

MERG managed to fit into the last Sunday of September, its Annual General Meeting and its regular monthly meeting. In the election of office bearers for the coming year, the members confidently voted in the persons who had been currently filling the vacant positions. The old team goes forward for a new year but this time with some extra inspiration.

Recently returned to the city where he grew up, Queensland Advisory Committee Chairman, Mike Charteris, VK4QS, attended the meeting and conducted the elections. Mike also shared with MERG a few thumbnails of his time in the Ipswich and District Radio Club and the strategies that had helped that club grow in the community. Mike advised the meeting that he wishes to support all radio clubs in the Wide Bay/Fraser Coast regions to grow.

This is indeed good news for amateur radio in this part of VK4 that we have a dedicated advocate, an experienced amateur who can draw on external success to promote the work of the Wireless Institute of Australia, the affiliated Clubs and the individual amateur.

>From Maryborough, Queensland, this has been Geoff, VK4ZPP.

VK6

jeff johnson arrives

He will be making final calls on 20 and 40 meters during the early afternoon (12 noon to 2 pm vk6time) on 7.045 and 14.090.

After walking 162 days (in the same pair of shoes) VK4XJJ Jeff will arive at Steep Point the most westerly tip of VK today Sunday.

HOME OF THE GOOD GUYS

Our 'Good Guy' this week is Gerry, VK7GK, who has made an extraordinarily generous donation to R.E.A.S.T. which includes a fantastic tower and rotator.

Sincere thanks to Gerry for thinking of the club!

(Tony VK7VKT Secretary REAST)

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART and the WW sources of the WIA.

REGION ONE QRP CENTER OF ACTIVITY COULD CHANGE

The IARU Region 1 High Frequency Committee meeting minutes caused some alarm and confusion over the future of 7030 kHz as the Region 1 QRP center of activity. This relates to the discussion about moving the frequency, and possible further discussion at the Region 1 Interim Meeting in 2013.

It is important to note that these discussion points did not feature in the minutes of the final General Conference Plenary. The question as to whether 7030 kHz is the best frequency for the QRP center of activity was actually raised in the context of discussing a proposal from Germany's Deutscher Amateur Radio Club to change the 40 meter Contest Preferred Segment.

The High Frequency Committee decided that this change couldn't be done without first seeking the views of the Region 1 QRP community. Further discussion across IARU Region 1 is expected over the coming months and years. It's important to remember that any change in the Region 1 plan for any spectrum will in some way eventually impact on Q-R-P operations in Regions 2 and 3 as well.

(ARNEWSLINE)

Did you know?

Did you know that a real life radio amateur was involved in the famous 1961 recording of Tony Hancock's The Radio Ham?

His name was Alan Florence. He was just 18 years of age and was working as a recently appointed sound engineer at Star Sound Studios off Baker Street in London. These days he is also known on the bands as G7CDK and although he wasn't licensed back in 1961, Alan claims that the experience did have some influence on him taking the RAE in later years.

Last year RSGB member and BBC presenter Jim Lee, G4AEH, brought Alan, G7CDK together with the show's iconic writers Galton and Simpson, to remember the events of the 1 October 1961.

The 5MHz Newsletter

A Newsletter has been launched to support the growing number of 5MHz operating permissions globally.

The 5MHz Newsletter is edited by Paul Gaskell, G4MWO, one of the original RSGB 5MHz team. It aims to be both an accurate information source of news about 5MHz and a platform for exchange of ideas, be they theoretical, operational, constructional or just general comments about the band.

You can freely access the 5MHz Newsletter from Google Documents at http://tinyurl.com/6fkhcmf

Although originating in the UK, the 5MHz Newsletter invites world-wide interest, both in readers and contributors.

Woman becomes radio ham to stay in touch with husband

Ham radio is the only link Donna Sweeney VA7DSW has to her seafaring husband David Vincent VA7DGV as he sails across the Pacific.

Canada.com reports that "David Vincent [VA7DGV] left Nanaimo more than a year ago to island-hop across the South Pacific.

He is living his dream - and Donna [VA7DSW] is keeping track of every detail through her home radio. She searches frequencies each morning for news he's OK.

Sailing the open sea can be dangerous when you're travelling it alone, but Amateur Radio is a boon!

The ARRL has published an interesting new book entitled "Small antennas for small spaces".

tHE sarl SAYS It is a valuable resource for amateurs who live in flats, units or town-houses on small lots.

Filled with practical advice, this book guides you to finding the right antenna design to fit whatever space you have available. In the book you'll find ideas and projects that will get you on the air regardless of where you live!

Ask at our WIA Bookshop to see if this copy is in yet, visit wia.org.au

(sourced to sarl)

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2011

Oct 1- 2 OC Oceana DX Contest Phone

Oct 8- 9 OC Oceana DX Contest CW

Oct 16 VK6 WEST AUST VHF GROUP'S SPRING SCRAMBLE

Oct 22 WIA Jack Files Contest

Nov 26-27 WIA Spring VHF-UHF Field Day

2012

January VK Ross Hull Memorial VHF UHF Contest

March 17-18 VK JOHN MOYLE MEMORIAL FIELD DAY

June Long Weekend (vk4 time) VK Shires Contest.

July First full weekend NZART Memorial Contest

The Centenary rolls on

Valid contacts with VK3WI during the Oceania DX Phone Contest this weekend and the Oceania DX CW Contest next weekend, both qualify for bonus points towards the Amateur Radio Victoria Centenary Award.

Stay tuned in November for the VK100ARV special callsign which is also part of the 100th birthday celebration. Roster inquiries to Award Manager Tony Hambling VK3VTH vk3vth@amateurradio.com.au

For the Award full rules and more information check out the website amateurradio.com.au

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

NEED A QSL ROUTE?

Here are some great free sites for you and your friends - visit them when you pick up the web addresses from this weeks wianationalnews, best read at wia.org.au

K2TQC, Bill Gibbons, reports tracking down a QSO, and eventually QSL, for JZ0PH from an August 1961 QSO with Netherlands New Guinea, which was deleted

from the DXCC list April 30, 1963.

The operator Joop Hesp is now ZS6C.

This was country No. 383 for K2TQC.

http://www.dailydx.com/routes.html.

Special Event Station VA3IF - October 5-11, 2011

Once again special event station at the birthplace of
Lieutenant Colonel John McCrae House in Guelph Ontario will be 'on-air.'

John McCrae was the author of the poem "In Flanders Fields".

The special event station, in honour of peace and remembrance, will operate
from the McCrae House Museum from November 5 to November 11 with call sign
VA3IF on 10m, 15m, 20m, 40m and 80 m, as well as IRLP, node 2260.

(Terry Maurice VE3XTM)

Please note that the address of JARL QSL Bureau will change in 12 months on
October One.

JARL QSL Bureau
1324-3 Kanba, Hikawa-cho, Izumo-shi, Shimane 699-0588 JAPAN

BOTSWANA, A2.
Active is A22EW from September 29 to October 18.
QSL to VA3QY the home call.

QATAR, A7.
A71CM has been active on 20 meters using CW around 0130z.
QSL via NI5DX.

Morse celebrations

Members of the Japan A1 Club will activate the following special callsign until
December 31st:

8J1MORSE, 8J1MORSE/2, 8J1MORSE/3 etc,
according to the district from which they are active from. Activity is to
celebrate 220th anniversary of Samuel Morse's birthday.

Operations will be mainly CW, with some SSB (to explain the novices how to
join the CW community). Some special awards are also available too.

QSL by the Bureau

Logs will be uploaded to LoTW as well.

For more details, the English rules and information are available at:
http://8j1morse.a1tokai.net

Rugby enthusiasts, look out for ZL4RUGBY operated by ZL4PW until 31st October.
This is to celebrate the 2011 Rugby World Cup being played in New Zealand.

THE QNEWS WORK BENCH - the nuts and volts report - Measure Twice cut Once.

Ultrasonic beam = wireless charging

The day when we don't have to plug in our consumer electronics is getting closer, claim a new startup firm named uBeam that has developed a safe way of beaming power to your devices.

Rather than using inductive charging, which has a very short effective range and usually requires that the charger and device be in close proximity to each other, uBeam uses an ultrasonic transducer to convert power from your wall socket into inaudible sound energy. On the device side, there's a battery adapter that converts the sound energy back into power to charge your batteries. The ultrasonic frequency used is well above the range that can be heard by humans or dogs.

http://www.ubeam.com/

(vk7wi news)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FEMALES IN RADIO
ALARA - AUSTRALIAN LADIES AR ASSOCIATION
http://alara.org.au
Net is held each Mondays on 3.570 MHz, commencing at 1030 UTC.
(1000utc during daylight saving)
geencee@picknowl.com.au

YL'S AND XYL'S ON THE GO

Heather, ZS6YE, started a YL Group.

She sends a monthly mail with interesting news to YL'S.

A new Ham YL's Facebook profile has also been created.

All YL's are invited to join the group; there are already several international YL's who are also friends of the group.

Please contact Heather at ylgroupsa@yahoo.com

Anette zr6delta@gmail.com if you want your name also on the mailing list.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

AMSAT-VK UNOFFICIAL HF Net.
2nd Sunday each month.
April through October 1000 UTC 3.685 MHz
November through March 0900 UTC 7.068 MHz

UARS is gone, but you can still enter the ARISSat-1 Chicken Little Contest!

Now that everybody has climbed out from under their beds, it might be a good time to think about entering the ARISSat-1 Chicken Little Contest.

They are still looking for calculations/guesses/darts-in-the-calendar submissions for when ARRISSat-1 makes its final orbit. So far a fair number of submissions from all over the world from adults, but very few from students.

If you know of one who might be interested, encourage them to enter.

The details are in the web edition, best read when you read this weeks text news on wia.org.au

While it is not going to receive the coverage of UARS, the closest submissions in each category will be recognized. Right now, the deadline is the 15th of October, though since ARISSat-1 is "floating like a butterfly" that MIGHT get extended.

www.amsat.org/amsat-new/ARISSat/ARISSatContest

DISCUSSION POINT

What use is an f-call?

This week I'd like to share with you an experience I had on air a couple of days ago.

I was tuned to 7.093 and I called CQ DX at about 4pm in the afternoon. I'd been listening on all bands for most of the afternoon and finally was beginning to hear some movement on 40 meters. There had been contests happening on all manner of frequencies, near and far, but for some reason or another, I wasn't getting through.

There were a couple of hams having a chin wag a little further up the dial but they seemed too engrossed to have a chat with someone else, so I dialled up the VK calling frequency and called for CQ DX.

The call I got back was: "What are you doing calling CQ DX on this frequency at this time of the day?" - at first I was confused, it sounded like I'd trod on someone's toes, so I asked, "Sorry, is this frequency in use?" - I got an unclear answer and then: "What were you expecting in the way of DX?" to which I replied: "Something outside of Perth would be a great start."

I didn't really get a response, or I didn't understand the response, either way, I felt like I'd done something wrong, but was unable to determine what it was that I might have done to receive the ire of the other station.

Now don't get me wrong, the station wasn't abusive, didn't swear or tell me off exactly, but I didn't really feel welcome and soon after packed up and went home.

At the time, there were four other amateurs with me and I asked them what had happened that might have caused this kind of response. They explained that it might have been a little early to get good propagation on 40 meters but that I shouldn't worry too much, because there were always a few people on air with a bit of a chip on their shoulder.

Further discussion revealed that at least one amateur who was with me on that day had been the recipient of a similar treatment early in their amateur involvement and that the effect had not been forgotten. Since that experience, I've heard a few other mutterings about f-calls and their short-comings.

You'll notice that I've not mentioned any call signs during this story, it's because I'm not trying to pick on a particular amateur who, in my opinion,

could do with a hug, but because my experience with the rest of Amateur Radio has been so very different. It seems that every where I've been, I get welcomed almost as a long lost friend, even though the ink on my license is barely dry.

So, in closing, all I really want to say, is thank you for welcoming me into this hobby. Thank you for encouraging me and if you as an f-call are ever on the end of this kind of experience, I encourage you to remember that there are some 3 million or so amateurs around, "mostly harmless" as Douglas Adams might have put it.

I'm Onno, vk6flab

INTEREST GROUPS --- MILITARY

Learn about the early RADAR system of WW2 called CHAIN HOME SYSTEM.

VK2's St. George Amateur Radio Society will be meeting on Wednesday night,

that's THIS 5th of October in the 1st Kyle Bay Scout Hall, Donelly Park, Connells Point at 7:30pm.

At the meeting there will be a video presentation and discussion on "Radar Before the Magnetron"

The CHAIN system otherwise known as AMES Type 1 (Air Ministry Experimental Station) consisted of radar fixed on top of a radio tower mast, called a 'station' to provide long-range detection of aircraft.

Most stations were also able to measure the angle of elevation of the aircrafts flight formation which, together with the range, gave the height.

(sourced to vk2wi)

INTEREST GROUPS --- RADIO SCOUTING
http://www.scouts.com.au
http://www.scout.org/jota
http://www.international.scouts.com.au

CALLING FREQUENCIES
Please QSY off the calling frequency after establishing communication.

Australian voice calling frequencies:
3.650, 7.090, 14.190, 21.190, 28.590, 52.160

World CW calling frequencies:
3.570, 7.030, 14.060, 18.080, 21.140, 24.910, 28.180, 50.160

World voice calling frequencies:
3.690 & 3.940 MHz, 7.090 & 7.190, 14.290, 18.140, 21.360,
24.960, 28.390, 50.160

Calling frequencies for Slow Scan TV (SSTV):
3.630, 7.033, 14.227

Calling Frequencies for PSK31
14.070

JOTA takes on emergency communications

Within this year's Jamboree On The Air an emergency communications exercise will take place on Saturday, 15 October in the afternoon (European time zone).

Details of this simulated emergency test are now published and will include the Headquarters station, HB9S, of the World Organization of the Scout Movement, which is be operated by hams from five different countries.

This year's JOTA theme offers an excellent opportunity to raise the awareness for the role of the Amateur Radio Service in disaster situations.

IARU International Coordinator for emergencies, Hans Zimmerland F5VKP/ F/HB9AQS suggests that this this information be widely known.

For more information contact World JOTA organiser, Richard Middelkoop at RMiddelkoop@scout.org

(IARU Region 3, Chairman Disaster Communication Committee Chairman, Jim Linton VK3PC)

SOCIAL SCENE

2011

Sep 30-Oct 2 VK4 Central Highlands Amateur Radio Club AGM at Camp Fairbairn
CONTACT Secretary Gordon, (vk4kal@wia.org.au)

Oct 23 VK3 Hamvention Ballarat Sunday.

Nov 20 vk5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society Hamfest
Goodwood Community Centre, Rosa St Goodwood at 0930.
Visit www.ahars.com.au for contact details

2012

15TH IARU REGION 3 CONFERENCE hosted by V.A.R.C. in Ho-Chi-Minh City, Vietnam.

JAN 23-FEB 17 YEAR 2012
World Radio Conference WRC-11 Geneva 23rd January TO 17th February 2012

FEB 12 VK3 CentreVictoria Hamfest, Kyneton Racecourse

FEB 26 VK2 CCARC WYONG FIELD DAY

MAY 3-18 VK5 YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

JULY 14 VK4 Wide Bay Hamfest. West Maryborough Scout Hall

Nov 12 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST (ROSEBUD BY THE BAY)

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to submit audio read "how to submit items" in the weekly news page on
wia.org.au

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941. SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 2 OCTOBER 2011

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SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 2 OCTOBER 2011

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. PLEASE NOTE: for audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 and 3,695 MHz SSB.

In the news today:

AN ADVANCED LICENCE - AN INTERESTING DEBATE

WHAT CAN RADIO AMATEURS DO WITH THE HF BEACON PLANNED FOR CPUT'S CUBESAT?

SORRY BUT YOU ARE CUT OFF!

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting news items.

AN ADVANCED LICENCE - AN INTERESTING DEBATE

At the RTA held at the Gauteng Radio Technology in Action symposium last weekend, the question "If South Africa gets an advanced licence what should it look like?" was actively discussed by chairmen and representatives of several Gauteng clubs and delegates present at the RTA. The consensus was "yes", the SARL should pursue this issue with ICASA at the Amateur Radio Symposium for ICASA staff planned for February 2012. The discussion concluded that such a license should support two main objectives: to involve more radio amateurs in technology and to stimulate competition amongst radio amateurs in all aspects of the hobby. What the requirements are for such a licence had a wide range of responses and undoubtedly will still be debated for some time. There was a fair amount of agreement that it should be experimentally based and not be an academic examination.

An Edited version of the debate will be made available for downloading next weekend. It is currently 80 minutes long and inevitably in a debate of this nature there is a lot of duplication. Once you have listened to the recording please make your comments and suggestions.

The SARL will also hold an Intecnet on the subject on Sunday 30 October 2011 at 19:30. Clubs who do currently not link their local repeater to the teleconference bridge are invited to start making arrangements. More details will follow in future SARLNEWS bulletins and the Email letter to members.

WHAT CAN RADIO AMATEURS DO WITH THE HF BEACON PLANNED FOR CPUT'S CUBESAT?

On Friday the Cape Peninsular University of Technology unveiled it's first CubeSat, which will be on show at the 62nd International Astronomical Congress starting at the Cape Town International Convention centre later today.

It is not certain when the satellite will be launched but once in orbit the satellite will provide some interesting experimental activities for radio amateurs. An article recently published in EngineerIT can be downloaded from the SA AMSAT website at www.amsatsa.org.za, giving more details.

During the week there will be two amateur radio satellite presentations "Taking Amateur Radio into Space" and "SA AMSAT - a 30 year history of Space Activity in South Africa". The presentations will be made available on the SA AMSAT website next week.

SORRY BUT YOU ARE CUT OFF!

Yes, we are sorry that you are excluded from access to the SARL members only section and the forum and that you will not get the next edition of Radio ZS because you have not renewed your 20111/2012 subscription. To change this position, please renew now. If you are not sure, send an e-mail to admin@sarl.org.za or call Mariska at 011 675 2393.

SARL WEB MAKING PROGRESS

We are making progress with the SARL web. It has been more stable over the past week but not all issues have been resolved and the efforts between the SARL team and the ISP are ongoing.

RADIO TECHNOLOGY IN ACTION 2012

You are invited to make input to the programme for the 2012 series of Radio Technology in Action Symposium. What subjects would you like to see covered? Are you interested in presenting at the 2012 RTAs? Send us your comments to rta@sarl.org.za.

CQ PUBLISHING TO OFFER ALL MAGAZINES IN DIGITAL FORMAT

New York based electronics publisher Richard Ross, K2MGA, has announced that his CQ Communications will launch multi-platform digital editions of all of its magazine titles before the end of 2011. These titles include CQ magazine, CQ VHF, Popular Communications and WorldRadio Online.

According to Editorial Director Rich Moseson, W2VU, the digital editions will supplement, not replace, current print editions, and will feature enhancements not possible in the print medium. Versions will be available for a variety of online and mobile platforms including PC, Mac, iPhone, iPad, Android 2.0 and higher.

Examples of features that will be possible in the digital world include live links to all World Wide Web addresses listed in each issue as well as supplemental content. This will include such additions as photo albums, audio and video files, software and more.

The digital editions of the CQ publications will be hosted by Zinio dot com. Zinio is one of the top names in the e-magazine publishing business. Moseson says that CQ's choosing of Zinio will assure that their magazines will always be able to take advantage of new technology when it becomes available.

The digital launch will begin in late October with the November issue of an enhanced, multi-platform, version of WorldRadio Online, which will again become a paid-subscription publication. This will be followed by the November issue of CQ, which, appropriately, is the magazine's first annual Technology Special. The fall issue of CQ VHF and the December issue of Popular Communications will round out the introductions.

Digital editions will be available by single copy and by subscription. Details will in the near future be in the magazines and on all CQ Communications websites. Moseson noted that many CQ book titles are already available in digital form on CD.

DRAKENSBERGE HIKKERS: AMATEURS ON THE READY

On Tuesday 27 Sept. member number one of the hiking team, Bart van Dijk, sprained his knee and base camp was alerted at 19:00 of the incident but the group did not request a CASEVAC. The Wednesday SKED would thus be vital and due to poor conditions on 80 m the previous morning, base amp requested a few amateurs to listen in on the early morning SKED. The response was overwhelming. A whole crowd of amateurs helped to listen to the report from the group. Bart however recovered sufficiently to continue and although the hikers are slightly behind schedule, they are well on their way to the halfway mark.

CLUB NEWS

The Centurion Radio Amateur Club will present a technical talk on the club's two meter repeater on 145,775 MHz on Sunday evening, (tonight)commencing at 19:30.

The subject for the talk this evening is: "Feedlines as matching transformers" and it answers a question recently posed on the SARL forum, namely: "Can one match an antenna by altering the length of its feedline?" And of course there will also be a tongue in cheek amateur story!

If you are in range of the repeater, do come along and listen to this very interesting discussion presented by Pine, ZS6GST. Please report in if possible.

The Midlands Amateur Radio Club held it's AGM on 17 September. At the committee meeting which followed, the following portfolios were allocated:

Chairman and Website ZS5ML Vice Chairman and Events ZR5SF Treasurer and Secretary ZS5AZ Site Maintenance and Digital ZR5S Technical and Training ZS5EFP Hamnet and Disaster Management ZS5DDM

We wish the new committee well for year ahead.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that solar activity has been high with a C9.3 and a M1.2 solar flare from sunspot 1 302. The Coronal Mass Ejection from this region caused the geo-magnetic field to be unstable having from time-to-time a negative effect on propagation conditions. There is still a chance of isolated M- and X-class flares from this region. Sunspot 1 305 showed some growth and now has a Beta-Gamma magnetic field harbouring huge amounts of energy.

For the people doing their own frequency predictions the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 80.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of fun with DX opportunities at various times of the day.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

8 October - West Rand Amateur Radio Club's flea market at 12:00. 15 October - CQ - Hou Koers 15/16 October - Jamboree on the air. 30 October - Intechnet on new proposed license Till 31 October - ZL-stations with ZM prefixes and ZL4RUGBY and ZL6RWC on the air.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 750 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 18:30 CAT on 3 230 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by Gustav, Z6SBWN.

Thank you for listening, 73.
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2011-10-01

Good afternoon,

Here is the latest update issued at 3:13 pm ADT.

Here is the latest update. As it now appears that the most significant
impact will be on the St. John's area, population density becomes a
factor. If activation of the PEOC goes ahead tomorrow night, VO1EMO
will monitor 3.740 and the NL Linked Repeater System through Echolink
node 278794. Your usual assistance and cooperation is appreciated.

73

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WWCN31 CWHX 011944
SEVERE WEATHER BULLETIN
ISSUED BY THE CANADIAN HURRICANE CENTRE OF ENVIRONMENT CANADA
AT 4:44 PM ADT SATURDAY 1 OCTOBER 2011.

TROPICAL STORM WATCH FOR:
=NEW= ST. JOHN'S AND VICINITY
=NEW= AVALON PENINSULA NORTH
=NEW= AVALON PENINSULA SOUTH.

HURRICANE OPHELIA IS FORECAST TO TRACK CLOSE TO THE
SOUTHEASTERN PORTION OF NEWFOUNDLAND MONDAY MORNING WITH A
POSSIBILITY OF TROPICAL STORM CONDITIONS.

A TROPICAL STORM WATCH MEANS THAT A TROPICAL STORM OR AN
INCIPIENT TROPICAL STORM CONDITION POSES A POSSIBLE THREAT TO
THE SPECIFIED AREAS WITHIN 36 HOURS.

==DISCUSSION==
GIVEN THE CLOSE RANGE OF HURRICANE OPHELIA'S TRACK TO THE AVALON
PENINSULA MONDAY MORNING, A TROPICAL STORM WATCH IS BEING ISSUED BY

THE CANADIAN HURRICANE CENTRE FOR THAT REGION. THIS MEANS THAT THERE IS A POSSIBILITY OF TROPICAL STORM FORCE WINDS (60 GUSTING TO 90 KM/H) FROM OPHELIA.

THIS IS NOT A WARNING - BUT SIMPLY A REMINDER TO MONITOR THE WEATHER FORECASTS FROM ENVIRONMENT CANADA CLOSELY IN THE EVENT OPHELIA TRACKS FARTHER NORTH. IN TERMS OF WAVES, IT IS QUITE LIKELY THAT ROUGH SURF CONDITIONS WILL DEVELOP ALONG THE SOUTHERN PORTION OF THE AVALON (AND BURIN) PENINSULA. MORE DETAILS REGARDING WAVE CONDITIONS CAN BE FOUND IN THE CANADIAN HURRICANE CENTRE BULLETIN UNDER HEADER WOCN31 CWHX OR AT WWW.HURRICANES.CA.

PLEASE REFER TO THE LATEST FORECASTS FOR FURTHER DETAILS.

END/FOGARTY/TELFORD

WOCN31 CWHX 011856 CCA
Tropical cyclone information statement corrected by the Canadian Hurricane Centre of Environment Canada at 3:56 PM ADT Saturday 1 October 2011.

Tropical cyclone information statement for:
Newfoundland
Nova Scotia.

For hurricane Ophelia.

The next statement will be issued by 9:00 PM ADT.

Corrected bulletin - replacing 'minus' with 'metres' in Section 3. Hurricane Ophelia tracking northward this weekend - Affects in parts of Nova Scotia and Newfoundland late Sunday And Monday.

==discussion==
1. Summary of basic information at 3:00 PM ADT.

Location: near 30.5 north 62.8 west.

About 270 kilometres southeast of Bermuda.

Maximum sustained winds: near 195 km/hour.

Present movement: north at 40 km/hour.

Minimum central pressure: 952 MB.

2. Public weather impacts and warnings summary.

Ophelia is forecast to remain at or near category-three intensity for the remainder of the day and pass east of Bermuda this evening. Meanwhile an unrelated non-tropical weather system with a frontal zone extending into the tropics will remain nearly stationary over Nova Scotia and Western Newfoundland for the remainder of the

weekend. Ophelia and the rain associated with it is not forecast to move into Southeastern Newfoundland until Monday morning.

Computer models are showing different scenarios for Ophelia's track - ranging from the Burin Peninsula in Newfoundland to 200 kilometres south of the Avalon.

A. Wind.

Greatest chance for strong winds from Ophelia is over the Burin and Avalon peninsulas of Newfoundland. At this point in time, there is about a 50% chance of tropical storm force winds over Eastern Newfoundland. Tropical storm force is approximately 60 gusting to 90 km/h. A tropical storm watch may be issued later today or tonight for these regions. Chance of hurricane-force gusts (120 km/h) in this area remains low at 5-10%.

B. Rainfall.

Rainfall warnings are in effect for parts of Nova Scotia for rain from the stalled non-tropical system.

This stalled frontal system could tap in to some of Ophelia's moisture tonight through Monday giving the possibility of additional heavy rainfall over Eastern Nova Scotia and Newfoundland.
Rainfall directly from Ophelia is expected over Eastern Newfoundland. Expect a 4 to 6 hour period of heavy rainfall over these regions Monday morning. 50 to 75 millimetres is possible with rainfall rates up to 20 millimetres/hour.

C. Surge/waves.

Waves will be a concern along the South Coast of Newfoundland Monday. We are still establishing details of what to expect in terms of wave heights, but 5-7 metre waves are likely along the South Coast of Newfoundland - Fortune bay and east. Ocean swell will also begin to reach the Atlantic coast of Nova Scotia later Sunday and Monday. Incident swell height of 3 metres breaking in the 4-metre (10-14-foot) range is possible late Sunday night along the Atlantic coast of Nova Scotia. With regard to storm surge, 40 to 60 cm is possible Monday morning around the Avalon and Burin peninsulas. This should not pose significant problems but a farther-north track would necessitate an increase in forecast water levels.

3. Marine weather impacts and warnings summary.

Given Ophelia's expected track brings it near southeastern Maritimes marine areas by Sunday evening, a storm warning has been issued for Laurentian Fan. Storm or possibly hurricane force winds could effect the fan and most likely the Grand Banks Monday.

Large waves are expected - especially to the right (southeast) and close to Ophelia's track as it moves into Canadian waters.
Greatest threat for large waves is over the Grand Banks.

Wave heights up to 10 metres are possible. More details will be
established later today.

Visit weatheroffice.Gc.Ca/hurricane (all in lower case) for the
latest:

- forecast position, central pressure table.

- strength and predicted wind radii table.

- hurricane track information map.

- technical discussion.

Please also refer to the public and marine forecasts and warnings
issued by Environment Canada for your area.

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943. HOT VIDEOS FOR YOUTH AND WORLD SEXIEST GIRLS HOT PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-02 15:01:03 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <0d29045e-254d-46ea-b00d-fa8801c3811f@n12g2000yqh.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4183

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944. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2011-031E - RAC Insurance Program for 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-02 16:46:16 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4E8894F5.7080400@rac.ca>
Source record: 4184
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2011-031E - RAC Insurance Program for 2012
2011-10-02

$10,000,000 Total Liability Coverage to continue....
Liability coverage raised to $5,000,000 from $3M/event with no
increase in premium....
Equipment loss/damage to continue at no increase in rates....
Home, Car and Travel Health coverage coming !

The Radio Amateurs of Canada is pleased to announce that the highly popular RAC Insurance Program will be available again in 2012, and with increased coverages at no increase in rates. The Program provides several types of coverage including liability insurance for Club activities and its members, equipment loss/damage coverage for Affiliated Clubs and their RAC members, and new this year will be the availability of additional insurance coverage for a RAC member's house, car and travel health insurance, which will be of particular interest to Snowbirds. All of these coverage�s are the best available in Canada and are offered at an extremely competitive rates. The RAC Insurance Program is provided as a benefit of membership for RAC Affiliated Clubs and their RAC members.

Highlights of the Program for 2012 include:

- Liability Insurance for Affiliated Clubs of $10,000,000/$5,000,000 per occurence for 2012 at the lowest cost in Canada.
- Equipment loss/theft/damage coverage for only $10/$1000 of actual equipment value per year.
- RAC members of Affiliated Clubs in the program get liability coverage extended for their home stations at no charge.
- Liability coverage�s for portable operation, advertising liability and personal injury.
- Home, Car and Travel Health coverage coming soon.

Complete details of the 2012 RAC Insurance Program and how to apply for or renew coverage can be found on the RAC website at http://www.rac.ca/insurance2012.

For questions concerning policy and coverage details please contact Jerry Beneteau VE3EXT, the RAC Insurance Program Advisor, at ve3ext @ primus.ca

For questions about how to apply or renew, please contact Linda Friars VE9GLF, the RAC Insurance Program Administator at ve9glf@nbnet.nb.ca

Applications for 2012 are available on the RAC Website and must be
received by the RAC Insurance Program Coordinator by November 15th for
new applicants and December 1st for renewals. Please note the new address
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The applications should be sent to :
RAC Insurance Program Coordinator
PO Box 51
Saint John, NB E2L 3X1

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945. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2011-032E - New Office Administrator

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-02 16:48:37 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4E8895E9.9080706@rac.ca>
Source record: 4185
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2011-032E - New Office Administrator
2011-10-02

I am pleased to announce that the Radio Amateurs of Canada has recently recruited Frank Greene as Office Administrator. Frank's appointment comes after an extensive search for just the right person to manage our head office.

Frank comes to RAC with an extensive management and business background. He has worked in sales and marketing, accounting and administration, human resources, staff coordination, facilities management, and project management, and has participated in several consulting assignments from capacity planning to disaster contingency planning.

His mission is to provide exemplary service to our members. Don't hesitate to contact Frank when an issue arises.

On behalf of the RAC Board and Executive I want to welcome Frank to the Radio Amateurs of Canada.

Geoff Bawden, VE4BAW
President and Chair Radio Amateurs of Canada

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946. get kelp

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Date: 2011-10-02 19:43:50 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <0e3b5cd7-631a-4fa6-96dc-93ee97448c06@p11g2000yqe.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4186

On Oct 2, 11:01 am, 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdg...@gmail.com> wrote:
> ALL HOT PHOTOS SUPER SeXY
PHOTOShttp://alltoux.blogspot.com/2010/09/hot-lip-kiss-135.html
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947. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 2nd October 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-02 20:00:15 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20111002200004.BDF9B33C91@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4187
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 2nd October 2011

IRTS Youth Co-ordinator

Following the recent IARU conference in South Africa, members societies were urged to appoint a Youth Coordinator. At the last IRTS committee meeting held on September 10, Ger McNamara EI4GXB was appointed to the role.

Ger is seeking ideas from members on how to best generate interest in Amateur Radio among young people and can be contacted on 087 2532512 or ei4gxb /at/gmail /dot /com.

Limerick Radio Club

Limerick Radio club have changed their club meeting night to Wednesday night going forward. The next meeting will be on Wednesday 12 October. Full details can be found on www.limerickradioclub.ie

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Tipperary Amateur Radio Club

The Tipperary Amateur Radio Group due to popular opinion has decided to change their meetings in future to the first Wednesday of the month, the next meeting of the group will take place on Wednesday next the 5th of October in the Raheen House Hotel,Raheen Road, Clonmel at 8.30pm All are welcome.

South Dublin Radio Club

This Tuesday 4th of October from 8pm South Dublin Radio Club will demonstrate hands on operation at 10 Gighertz and above. There will be live demonstrations of reception of TV signals from 10 gigahertz and above and details of how an ordinary LNB can be modified to cover the Amateur Band from 10 to 10.5 Gigahertz for Amateur Television reception. Included will be an explanation of why those involved in Amateur Television mount their satellite dishes upside down causing unusual looks from the neighbours! Visitors are always welcome. Directions are on the club website http://www.southdublinradioclub.ie

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Cork Radio Club

Cork Radio Club will meet at the Community Centre, Carrigtwohill on Monday next October 3rd at 2030. New members are always very welcome.

Enquiries to Jeremy EI5GM on 083 3317710

EI4GXB Radio Theory Notes

Ger EI4GXB advises us that he has uploaded files to the Radio Theory section of his website which he has used for the theory class last year in Limerick. They may be of help to any candidates sitting the examination in October. Go to www.ei4gxb.com for further details. Comments welcome to Ger on ei4gxb /at/gmail /dot /com

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Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club

The Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club's monthly meeting will be held on Sunday 9th October 2011 at 3pm. It will be held in Brownlow Resource Centre, Brownlow Road, Craigavon, BT65 5DL. Memebers and Non- Members old and new are welcome to attend. Details are available at www.muarc.com.

Mayo Radio Experimenters Network

The annual Mayo Radio Experimenters Network club radio rally will take place on Sunday 20th November 2011. Doors open at 11.00 am.

The venue will be the Welcome Inn Hotel in Castlebar.

If you would like further details please contact: Rally Organiser - Padraic Baynes EI9JA on 087 - 695 7154 (email pbaynes1 at eircom /dot /net), or email club PRO. David Hatfield EI3ECB on ei3ecb at gmail /dot /com or text or phone the club mobile phone number 086 20 89 777.

DX News

Willi DJ7RJ will be QRV from Reunion Island in the Indian Ocean signing FR/DJ7RJ from 4 October until 26 October. He will be operational on all bands 160-10m on CW and SSB. QSL to his home call.

Another Indian Ocean activity at the moment is Phil F6GNT who will be in Mayotte until March 2013. He is using the callsign FH8NX.

Just a reminder for the prefix hunters that the station LM9L40Y will be on the air until the end of December. This call is operated by members of the LA9L radio club in Norway and is to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the club.

Al VE1AWW will be going back to Sable Island early this month and will be active as CY0/VE1AWW. This is a work assignment but Al will be QRV when possible.

Armenia: amateur radio special event

To celebrate the 20th anniversary of the independence of Armenia, amateur radio special event stations there have been authorised to use the special prefix EK20. A special award is available for working at least 20 QSOs/SWL with these special radio stations on all HF bands, including 30/17/12m, and on any modes (CW, SSB and Digital). QSLs for these special prefixes may be sent to: P.O.Box 22, Yerevan, Armenia 0002, or per the operator's instructions. The electronic award can be received in the form of a digital image file sent to you, so you may print the certificate on your printer. Send log extract of the contacts to: ek7dx /at/ yahoo.com

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150th Birth Anniversary

Special Event: VA3AAR celebrating the 150th anniversary of the birth of Dr. James Naismith, Almonte native, to honour the inventor of basketball at the Mill of Kintail near his birthplace. Frequencies: 20 m 14150 kHz +/- 5 kHz, 40 m 7250 kHz +/- 5 kHz, 80 m near 3755 kHz.

>Date: Sunday, November 6, 2011, 24 hour operation 0000-2359 UTC (8:00 p.m. Eastern November 5 to 8:00 p.m. Eastern November 6)

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

948. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1030

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-02 20:18:33 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <769089.54554.qm@smtp101.sbc.mail.mud.yahoo.com>
Source record: 4188
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Bulletin No. 1030
BID: $OPDX.1030
October 3, 2011
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW (Currently in Murfreesboro, TN)
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, K1XN & GoList, NJ1Q & ARRL DX, N2OO, NG3K & ADXO, W3UR & The Daily DX, K4UEE, N4AA & QRZ DX, KH6BZF, K8GI, K8YSE, W8GEX (60m News), N0HJZ, AT International, DK9TN, DL5YWM, DL1SBF, DK8JB & The DX News Letter, DxCoffee.com, DX-World.Net, EA5GL, F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX, G3SXW, HP1AC, HS0ZCW, I1JQJ/IK1ADH & 425 DX News, I1RBJ, JK1KSB, OH2BH, OZ6OM & 50 MHz DX News, PA7FM, Pete's-DX-Newsdesk, RSGB IOTA Web Site, UT5UY, VA3RJ & ICPO and VHF-DX-Portal (MMMonVHF) for the following DX information.

*** EDITOR'S SPECIAL NOTE: Some of you may have noticed that the bulletins have been being published from Murfreesboro, TN. I am doing this remotely and it is not easy. I am here in TN because my daughter gave birth to my FIRST GRANDCHILD - Lliam Tyler Jones (9 lbs 6 oz. 21 3/4 in. - on September 27th). I am now a GRANDPA... It will seem that I will be making many trips to TN now....

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 25th-September, through Sunday, 2nd-October there were 229 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3C, 3D2, 3D2/r, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4W, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T32, T33, T5, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2M, VP8, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3D2R, ROTUMA (Update). The 3D2R team is now on the air. Last day of operations will be October 6th. They will be on all bands from 160-2 meters, including the 60m and 6m, using CW, SSB and RTTY. They will also be active on PSK, SSTV and EME. They plan to upload their logs on a daily basis to their online log. They will upload to LoTW approximately six months following the DXpedition. According to their Web page, they have made (as of October 2nd) 30134 QSOs (11856/SSB, 17027/CW, 1154/RTTY and 97/PSK31). QSL via YT1AD, direct or by the Bureau. For more details and updates, see the 3D2R Web page at: http://www.yt1ad.info/3d2r/index.html

4W6, TIMOR-LESTE. The 4W6A team is now QRT as of September 26th. They made 41361 QSOs with 13255 unique callsigns (18954/CW, 21191/SSB and 1216/RTTY). Remember the QSL Manager is M0URX. QSL direct (w/SAE plus 1 IRC or 2 USDs), by the Bureau, or LoTW. The entire log will be uploaded to LoTW as quickly as possible after the end of the operation. Direct or Bureau QSLs may also be requested using the M0URX Online QSL Request Service (OQRS). There is a link from the 4W6A Web site at: http://www.4w6a.com

5N, NIGERIA. Bodo, DL3OCH (ex-5N0OCH), will be active as 5N7Q from Abuja between October 3-15th. He is there for maintenance work on a broadcast station. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using one of the largest fully rotatable short wave antennas in the world (his antenna gain is over 20 dbi on all bands). Modes will be CW and SSB. QSL via DF8DX.

5V, TOGO. Arnauld, F4FOO, will be active as 5V7MA from Togo between December 19th and January 4th. Activity will be limited to his free time on 20-10 meters SSB only. QSL via his home callsign.

5X, UGANDA. Nick, G3RWF, will once again be active as 5X1NH from Uganda starting November 23rd for three weeks. Activity will have an emphasis on low bands using a new amp. QSL via his home callsign.

6O, SOMALIA. Michael, PA5M, is now active as 6O0M from Somalia until October 4th. Activity will be limited to his spare time because he works for the UN under the WFP. Operations should be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and very little PSK31. Main activity will probably be during his local evenings, after 1800z, using wire antennas and a FT857. QSL via PA7FM. For more details see: http://www.6o0m.pa7fm.nl

8Q, MALDIVES. Seiji "OKU", JK1KSB, will once again be active as 8Q7SO from Mirihi Island Resort (AS-013, WW Loc MJ63jo) at South Ari Atoll between October 28th and November 3rd. Activity will be holiday style on 80-10 meters using CW, RTTY, SSB and PSK31. QSL via JK1KSB, by the Bureau or the address on QRZ.com.

A7, QATAR. Members of the Lufthansa Amateur Radio Club (LARC) in cooperation with the Qatar Amateur Radio Society (QARS - A71A) will once agin be active as A71DLH from here between October 22-29th. Their activity will be on all bands using CW, SSB and the Digi modes. Operators for this year's 2011 operation are Mustapha/DL1BDF, Wolfgang/DK2DO, Bernd/

DL2NTC, Michael/DB4XN, Michael/DF4HR and Sven/DG3HT. They will send their QSLs via the DARC Bureau or QSL via their QSL Manager DL0LH. Online log will be available at:
http://www.dl0lh.de/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=8&Itemid=4

AH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Kan, AB2RF/JJ2RCJ, will be active as AH0/AB2RF from the Saipan Rental Shack on Northern Mariana Island (OC-086) between November 2-5th. Activity will be focused on the low bands, RTTY and PSK. QSL via JJ2RCJ, direct or by the Bureau or LoTW. For more details about the Saipan Rental Shack, see the following Web page at:
http://saipan.rental-shack.com/english/index.html

C6, BAHAMAS. Rich, N0HJZ, will be active as C6ARW from Grand Bahama Island between October 27-31st. Activity will be on 160-10 meters (no 30/17/12m) using CW and SSB. Operations will also include the CQWW DX SSB Contest as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via his home callsign direct.

CN, MOROCCO. Jim, W7EJ, will once again be active as CN2R during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via W7EJ.

CY0, SABLE ISLAND. Look for Alan, VE1AWW, to return to Sable Island again on October 5th and stay until the end of the year. Activity will be limited to his spare time using just a vertical and dipole. QSL via his home callsign.

EF9, CEUTA AND MELILLA. Salvador, EA5DY, will be active as EF9A from Ceuta and Melilla during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (??m) entry. QSL via his home callsign.

EL, LIBERIA. Once again members of the VooDoo Contest Group will be active from here beginning November 21st. This is their 23rd straight year, but this time it will from a location just South of Monrovia, the capital of Liberia. Their main goal is to be an entry in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November
26-27th) as a Multi-Multi category using the callsign EL2A. Outside of the contest, the following mentioned operators will use their own personal callsigns: Ned/AA7A (EL2NS), Roger/G3SXW (EL2A), Fred/G4BWP (EL2WP), Mike/KC7V (EL2MF), Lee/KY7M (EL2LF) and Bud/N7CW (EL2CW). QSL via their home callsign. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW.

HK0, SAN ANDRES ISLAND. Daniel, DL5YWM, will be active as HK0/DL5YWM from San Andres Island (NA-033) between October 5-13th. Activity will be on 40-6 meters using CW and SSB. He states that a detour to Providencia (NA-049) will be decided at the "last minute". QSL via DL5YWM.

HK0NA MALPELO ISLAND 2012 DXPEDITION PRESS RELEASE (Dated Sept. 30th):
"The Malpelo 2012 DXpedition is pleased to announce that the HK0NA operating team has added two new operators, both physicians..W0GJ and K9SG. The team now consists of 18 operators representing eight countries.
Two members of the team will travel to Malpelo for a reconnaissance visit in late October. The purpose is to check out possible operating sites and

make final decisions on the type and placement of antennas. We want to try to have antennas oriented for all parts of the DX world. Also, some equipment will be moved onto the island and stored until our DXpedition begins in late January 2012.
Every effort is being made to extend the length of time available for operating. This requires coordination with the authorities and agencies that oversee the island and the charter boat company. It appears that we can get to the island one day earlier and may have the option of staying a few extra days. Of course, our costs will rise accordingly.
The current plan has the team QRV on or about January 23rd for 12-14 days. Operations are planned on 160 through 6 meters on CW, SSB and one Digital mode.
Several of the Elecraft K3s are already in Colombia. The other K3s, five KPA500 amplifiers, antennas from DX Engineering, and Spiderbeam 65 foot masts for the low band antennas will be shipped soon. The Alpha 8410s are on their way.
The Malpelo team is paying all their transportation expenses to/from Colombia and putting up about one-half of all the DXpedition costs. To cover the remainder of our expenses, your financial assistance is kindly requested. Contributions are being sought from DX Foundations, DX Clubs and individual DXers. You may contribute directly to DXARC (Colombia) or to K4UEE (North America), DJ9ZB (Europe), or JA1ELY (Asia/JA). See our website: www.hk0na.com for further information on how you can help.
N2OO and the SJDXA have graciously agreed to handle QSL duties.
We plan periodic press releases with information of interest. Also, watch the website for breaking news.

Thanks, , Jorge Prieto, HK1R, DXpedition leader
Bob Allphin, K4UEE-co-leader
Gregg Marco, W6IZT-co-leader"

HU, EL SALVADOR. Mario, YS1GMV,and a team of operators will be active as HU1YS from "Club de Radioaficionados de El Salvador" (C.R.A.S.) in San Salvador during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via EA5GL.

IOTA NEWS.....
AF-019. Angelo, I2ADN, will be active as I2ADN/IG9 Lampedusa Island (IIA AG001) during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (10m) entry. QSL via I2ADN.

AS-080. Over the past weekend, a team of 13 operators were expected to be active as HL0V from Anmyon Island between October 1-3rd. QSL via HL2UVH.

EU-095. Paul, I1RBJ, operated September 27th from the Island of IF in the FRIOUL GROUP as F/I1RBJ/P and just made a few dozen 20m SSB QSOs. This was only a test for a much larger all band operation in October. Paul tells OPDX, "I did operate portable atop the Chateux d'If on If Island, the Chateux being famous for the Earl of Montecristo of A.Dumas. Fantastic place! QSL to my F/I1RBJ Montauroux address PSE."

NA-075. You still may have time to work Heinz/VA7AQ and Frank/VE7DP
as homecall/7 from Pender Island until 2200z Monday, October
3rd. Activity will be on 40/30/20/17 meters. QSL via their
home callsign.

OC-133. Saty, JE1JKL, will be active as 9M6NA from Labuan Island,
East Malaysia, during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th)
as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via JE1JKL, direct or E-mail
requests for Bureau QSL to: 9m6na@jsfc.org
For more info, see: http://jsfc.org/je1jkl/9m6na.html

OC-239. Operators Joni/YB9WZJ and Har/YB0MWM will be active as
homecall/9 from Doom Island between Ocober 1-8th. Activity
will be on 20/17 meters SSB with some RTTY and PSK31. All
QSLs via YB9WZJ.

KH2, GUAM. Masanori, JA1OZK, will be active as KH2KY from Guam (OC-027)
between October 22-29th. Activity will be on the HF bands. QSL via his
home callsign.

KH2/NH2, GUAM. Dave, N2NL, will be active as NH2T from Guam (OC-026)
during both the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) and CQWW DX CW
Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/Assisted entry. He is expected
to be here until the summer of 2013. Dave will be active (outside of
contests) as KH2/N2NL and during all contests as NH2T. QSL via LoTW or
via W2YC.

KP2, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS. Yuriy, N2TTA, will be active as KP2MM during
the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band
(possibly 15m or 10m) entry. QSL via LoTW. For more details, see:
http://www.wix.com/n2tta1/kp2mm

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (October 3-9th)....
Oct 03 AN SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS
Oct 04 AN --------------------
Oct 05 AN BN - Below Normal
Oct 06 AN AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Oct 07 AN LN - Low Normal
Oct 08 AN-HN HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Oct 09 HN DIS - Disturbed
VDIS - Very Disturbed

GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less

NH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Mazshita, JF2SKV, will be active as NH0S from
Saipan (OC-086, USI NI002S, WLOTA 1333), Northern Mariana Islands,
between October 27-31st. Activity will be on CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK.
QSL via JF2SKV.

OJ0X SEPTEMBER 1 REPORT (Press Release by OH2BH): There is no doubt autumn is approaching the North and the weather is becoming rather unstable. The second group - OH1TV, OH2BAD, OH2BO, OH5BM - has experienced the full variety while radio propagation hit the rock bottom.
It is not often that Northern Lights are visible on the latitude of Market Reef - now the Aurora Borealis was seen on the last day of the German group but also the current second week's Finnish group. There were predictions of a recovery of band conditions for this weekend &#65533; but no signs of it yet.
Worse is expected again on the horizon, and the forecast for next Tuesday is high winds. Hence the group for the third week will need to travel to Aland Islands early to be stand-by for a potential advanced outing.
If you are still in need of some band points, you may watch the weather reports at http://www.g3txf.com/dxtrip/OJ0X/OJ0X.html direct from the Market Reef automatic weather station. There the Titanex 160/80M vertical may be taken down today as preparation for early departure as well as for poor propagation on the low bands.
But the spirits remain high among the group as they have passed 30,000 QSO and eagerly wait for 10M to open up. Nevertheless, the third week's group - OH1ND, OH2BH, SM0W and SM6U - may take advantage of any 10 & 12M openings to all regions of the world.
OJ0X also experienced some curious magic as UPS delivered a new RF choke for their burned Alpha 91B amplifier. Thanks to quick action from Acom Bulgaria, the choke arrived in Finland the following day. Unfortunately, UPS&#65533;s one-day service anywhere in Europe did not extend to Market Reef. Hopefully the next group will be able to bring the third amplifier back on line.
Are you guys in the audience having any fun yet? With 60,000 hits at QRZ.COM, some of you are still there. The band slot race is still there with ON7GB and LZ1NG leading Europe with 20 points while Asia's JA4DND is close behind (19). The US East Coast is suffering from poor propagation with K5EK running far behind at 14 points. Just enjoy the log search facility operated by Nigel, G3TXF www.clublog.org/charts/?c&#65533;0
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but save any queries until the operation is finished."

PJ2, CURACAO. Andy, DK5ON, will be active as PJ2/DK5ON from Curacao (SA-099) between March 12-30th (2012). Activity will be on 40-6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via his home callsign.

PJ4, BONAIRE. Wim, ON4CIT, will be active as PJ4J from Bonaire (SA-006) between October 27th and November 9th. Activity will focus on RTTY and SSB. QSL via his home callsign.

PLANNING DXPEDITION AROUND THAILAND? Charles, HS0ZCW, states, "If you are planning a DXpedition to places that could include Bangkok as a staging point, I can definitely recommend using Bangkok as the place. Advantages include new airport with connections everywhere, good and cheap hotels, cheap food and transportation locally, interesting place for short tour, and best of all, a 5 square block area packed with

electronic parts. In the Bangkok Bon Mhor district downtown are hundreds of shops selling coax and coax plugs, any electronic part and ICs, and is very complete. Not sold are yagis below 10 meters. Recommend shipping your radios on to final destination but any Yaesu radio can be sold over the counter for export but must order first for Bangkok pick up. I will be happy to give advice."

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated September 25th and October 2nd)

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3D2R/MM via YT1AD ES9C via ES5RY OZ/DL5ASE via DL5ASE
3Z35KKK via SP3PGZ (Bureau only) EY8MM via K1BV P29ZL via W1YRC
5B/SQ9IVD via SQ9IVD FP/G3ZAY via G3ZAY P49X via W0YK
5B4AIF via EB7DX FP/G4EAG via G4EAG PA/DL1EAL via DL1EAL
5C2B/P via IS0AGY FP/M1BXF via M1BXF R80TV via R7AA
6Y6U via W1UE GB11NH via G4OSB R230Z via UA6GX
7X2ARA via DF4SA (9/2011) HB9IRC via HB9OCR RA/UT2LA via UT2LA
9A/S52DG/P via S52DG HB9SFGB via HB9EDG RA3CQ via M0OXO
9H3IP via HA3JB (direct) HG7T via HA7TM SM/DL1DN/P via DL1DN
CO2NO via HA3JB (direct only) HS0ZGQ via DK8MZ SN0ZH via SP3PJW
CT9/DL6TK via DL6TK J49XB via DJ9XB SO4M via SP4MPG
D7A via 6K2BWA LT0H via EA7FTR SP0DXC via SP7DQR
DL/KE9I via KE9I NH0Z via JJ2VLY (direct) SZ3I via SV3BEF
DM55JES via DK4WA OE90B via OE4RGC T6BP via 9A6AA
DR0A via DJ9XJ OG0I via OH2TA T6JC via S57J
E7/ZL1SLO via ZL1SLO OJ0X via OH2BH T8XX via DL5AXX
EA6/DJ5GI via DJ5GI OK8FK via DK7FK TK/HB9DPO via HB9DPO
EA8/DL2MDU via DL2MDU ON8HS via 9K2HS UF6V/UA8WAA via UA8WAA
ED5CEF via EA5CEE OZ/DJ2AS via DJ2AS UK/UA1ZEY via RW6HS
(direct)
EE7H via EA7AH OZ/DK1AW via DK1AW VP9/WW3S via WW3S
EG8LM via EA8CNR OZ/DL4AMK via DL4AMK YT0WFF via YU7CM

HELP SAVE THE DX LOGS! Bob, N2OO, from the QSL Manager Society, states, "If anyone knows of any DX or DXpedition logs and blank cards that are in jeopardy of being trashed, PLEASE save them! If you are a QSL Manager and can't be bothered any more, PLEASE contact us! Contact the QSL Managers
Society and we pledge to locate a quality replacement QSL Manager. Just because a DXpedition log is old does not mean that it is not worthy of being saved! Save DX Logs!"
Go to <www.qsl.net/qslmanagers> or E-mail qslmanagers@qsl.net

NEW QSL MANAGER. Pedro, EA5GL, informs that he is the new QSL Manager for the following stations for the upcoming CQWW DX SSB Contest: CE3EEA, NH7O, 6Y5JH and HU1YS.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 4W6A and JA6JNF

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 4L1BR, 4O3ANT, 5W0NU, 5J0T, 6Y1LZ, 7Z1SJ,
9L0W, 9M6XRO, A35KL, BA1KW, CP4BT, EH9AI, ER1LW, FG/F6AUS, FP/W6HGF,
FT8GA, HC1HC, HC2AQ, HH2/PY1ZV, J38A, J79WE, KP2B, NP2X, NP3CW, PJ4D,
R1ANB, S21YZ, T31A, T6AF, TG7WW, TG9/DL5RMH, TI5/N3KS, TL0A, TS8P,
UA9FQY, V31RN, VP50V, VP8ORK, VU2PHD, VU4PB, YN2ER, ZB2FK, ZB3B,
ZK3OU and ZP6CW

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: R1ANB

T32, CHRISTMAS ISLAND (Reminder). The Five Star DXers Association (FSDXA)
group is now active as T32C from Kiritimati (Christmas Island) until
October 25th. As of 0659z, October 2nd, the T32C operation has made
14265/QSOs with 7145 Unique Callsigns (7344/SSB, 6919/CW and 2/RTTY).
Logs will be uploaded to ClubLog <www.clublog.org/charts/?c&#65533;2C&a&#65533;bed
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on a daily basis and any news posted will be on the T32C website. For
more details/updates, visit their Web page at: http://www.t32c.com

TI8, COSTA RICA. Operators Keith/W4KTR, Eddie/K4UN, Bob/W4BW, Lex/W4XO,
Carlos/TI2KAC, Juan Carlos/TI2JCY and TI2ZM will be active as TI8M from
Costa de Pajaros, during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a
Multi-2 entry. QSL via TI2KAC, direct preferred but bureau "OK". Look
for activity before the contest on 160-10 meters.

TK, CORSICA. Operators Mario/DJ2MX, Simon/DJ4MZ, Maththias/DK4YJ,
Ulf/DK5TX, Christoph/DK9TN, Luise/DL2MLU and Bernhard/DL6RAI will be
active as TK/homecall between November 23-28th. Activity will include
an entry in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Multi-2
category using the callsign TK4W. QSL TK4W via OQRS (Online QSL Request
System) and QSLs for TK/homecall via their home callsign. For more
details, see: http://www.dq4w.de/2011/tk4w

TO7, MARTINIQUE (NA-107). Dim, UT5UGR, will once again be active as
TO7A during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/
All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL TO7A via UT5UGR.

TX5, MARQUESAS ISLANDS (Update/Reminder). Alex, UT5UY, wants to remind
OPDX readers that an international team of operators will be active
from Hatiheu, Nuku Hiva (OC-027) between October 19th and November 1st.
Activity will be on all bands and modes including an entry in the CQWW
DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th). Operations mentioned are on 160-10
meters (includingv30/17/12m bands) on CW, SSB and RTTY, using 4 stations
on the air at the same time on different bands and modes. The following
callsigns will be used:
TX3T &#65533; Activity between October 16-19th and November 1-4th, will
be from Papeete, Tahiti (OC-046) -- before and after their
Marquesas operation.
TX7M &#65533; The main callsign for their activity between October 19th
and November 1st, will be from Hatiheu, Nuku Hiva (OC-027),
Marquesas Island.
TX5A &#65533; Their callsign for the CQWW DX SSB Contest from Hatiheu,
Nuku Hiva (OC-027), Marquesas Island.

Operators mentioned are Oleg/R3FA (leader), Alex/UT5UY (co-leader), Michel/FO5QB, Alex/US0KW, Andy/UU4JMG, Alex/UX0LL, Andy/RK7A, Leo/UA7A, Oleg/US7UX, Serege/UR5MID and Mike/RU3UR. QSL Manager is Eugene, RZ3EC. There are three options to QSL - Bureau (using the OQRS), direct to QSL Manager and LoTW (All QSO(s) data will be placed into LoTW after Expedition is over). There is a survey available on their Web page for bands/modes needs. The team is looking for sponsors. For more details, visit the TX7M Web page at: http://www.tx7m.com

UK, UZBEKISTAN. Takhir, UA1ZEY, is now active as UK/UA1ZEY from Samarkand until October 13th. Activity will be mainly CW. QSL via RW6HS direct, or to UA1ZEY by the Bureau.

V5, NAMIBIA (Ops Needed!). David, GI4FUM, of the CQ DX African Safaris, is planning a DXpedition to Namibia next year in March and is looking for operators. He states that their host will be Andre, V51B, in Orange-mund in Southern Namibia. The whole adventure starts in early March and includes a sight seeing tour before ending up at Orangemund for 10 days of operating prior to being an entry in for CQ WPX SSB Contest (March 24-25th). There would be the opportunity to do some sight seeing in Namibia before returning home via Cape Town. If interested in joining David's group, send an E-mail to: gi4fum@arrl.net
For more details, visit the CQ-DX African Safaris Web site at: htp://www.3da0ss.net

VK0, MACQUARIE ISLAND. A second operator has joined Kevin, VK0KEV, on the Island of Macquarie (AN-005). Look for Trevor, VK8TH, to be active as VK0TH. His length of stay is not known. Activity so far has been on PSK31, but he is expected to be on 80-6 meters using a Yaesu FT-897 into a 5 band vertical and a 40m dipole. QSL via JE1LET (direct only).

VP9, BERMUDA. Bob, G3PJT, will be active as VP9/G3PJT between March 8-15th (20120. Activity will include the RSGB Commonwealth Contest 2012. QSL via his home callsign. For more details, see: http://www.beru.org.uk

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949. Anyone working the W/VE Island qso party?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-03 01:04:28 UTC
From: kb5ylg <kb5ylg@yahoo.com>
Message-ID: <10ab9f87-eb33-4ae3-a540-0a31d59575e2@t11g2000yqk.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4189

http://www.usislands.org/contest_rules.html

I'm planning an expedition to one of the local islands...
Just wondering who else might be operating?

david kb5ylg

950. HOT SEXY VIDEOS PRESENT MASLA PHOTOS FOR ADULTS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-03 11:26:13 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <f53ac0ee-f8da-474e-b3b5-864e1241368c@u13g2000vbx.googlegroups.com>
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951. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-03 14:30:38 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <2fc19c1a-5090-46c2-96e1-97541270cdf9@i33g2000yqm.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4191

On Oct 3, 7:26 am, 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdg...@gmail.com> wrote:
> ALL HOT PHOTOS SUPER SeXY
PHOTOShttp://alltoux.blogspot.com/2010/09/hot-lip-kiss-135.html
>

can the spam

952. The TimeLORD is back..

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-04 02:18:06 UTC
From: LLoyd Davies <lloydvfp2011@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <6bd59f95-9d1d-4451-9d2b-d434a52f928a@k34g2000yqm.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4192

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953. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 26 September - 02 October 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-05 01:30:05 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20111005013001.81DF533C8E@panix2.panix.com>
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:Issued: 2011 Oct 04 2337 UTC
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# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
# http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
26 September - 02 October 2011

Solar activity ranged from low to moderate levels during the period.
Activity was moderate on 26 September with Region 1302 (N12, L=282,
class/area Fkc/1300 on 24 September) producing a M4/1b event at
26/0508 UTC and a M2/2b event at 26/1443 UTC. Solar activity
decreased to low levels on 27 September before increasing again to
moderate levels on 28 September when Region 1302 produced a M1/1n
event at 28/1328 UTC with an associated Tenflare (320 sfu). Another
decrease to low levels occurred on 29 September before levels
increased once again to moderate levels on 30 September through 02
October. Region 1305 (N12, L-249, class/area Dsi/190 on 2 October)
produced a M1/1f event at 30/1906 UTC. Associated with this event
was a Type II radio sweep with an estimated speed of 690 km/s as
well as a 260 sfu Tenflare. Despite limited STEREO data, a slower
CME is believed to be potentially geoeffective from this event.
Region 1305 produced a M1/1n event at 01/0959 UTC, and produced a
possible earth directed CME, with an associated Type II radio sweep
(estimated speed of 850 km/s), Type IV radio sweep, and a 180 sfu
Tenflare. On 02 October, Region 1305 produced a M3/1n event at
02/0050 UTC that was associated with an Earth directed CME visible
in STEREO imagery with an estimated speed of 532 km/s. Finally,
Region 1302 produced a M1/Sf event at 02/1723 UTC.

A greater than 10 MeV proton event at geosynchronous orbit began at
23/2255 UTC in response to an X1 flare on 22 September, reached a
maximum of 35 pfu at 26/1155 UTC, and ended at 27/0430 UTC. Fluxes
returned to background levels for the remainder of the period.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
normal to moderate levels from 26 to 29 September. Fluxes increased
to high levels on 30 September, returned to normal to moderate
levels on 01 October, and back to high levels on 02 October.
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Geomagnetic activity ranged from quiet to severe storm levels during the period. Increased activity on 26 - 28 September was due to effects of an expected CME from 24 September. Increased activity early on 29 September was due to nighttime sub-storms. Increased activity on 01 - 02 October was due to a solar sector boundary crossing (SSBC) prior to the onset of high speed stream (HSS) effects from a favorably positioned coronal hole (CH).

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
05 October - 31 October 2011

Solar activity is expected to be at low to moderate levels during 05 - 15 October with a slight chance for M-class flare activity from Region 1305 until it crosses the west limb on 07 October, and the return of old Region 1295 (N24, L=57) on 08 October. A decrease to low levels is expected during 16 - 17 October after Region 1295 rotates off the west limb. During 18 - 25 October, activity is expected to increase to low to moderate levels with a slight chance for major flare activity as old Region 1302 rotates back onto the visible disk. Activity is expected to return to low levels for the remainder of the forecast period (26 - 31 October) after old Region 1302 rotates off the west limb.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit from 05 - 17 October. There is a slight chance for a proton enhancement from 18 - 27 October due to the return of old Region 1302. No proton events are expected during 25 - 31 October.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at mostly normal to moderate levels. High levels are expected during 9 - 14 and 28 - 31 October due to influences from coronal hole high speed streams.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be mostly unsettled on 05 October due to a CME arrival. Activity is expected to increase to active levels on 06 October due to continued CME effects. Activity is expected to decrease to mostly unsettled levels during 07 - 09 October as effects from the CME subside and a negative polarity coronal hole moves into a geoeffective position. Activity is expected to continue to decrease to mostly quiet levels during 10 - 27 October. During 28 - 30 October, activity is expected to return to mostly unsettled levels due to a positive polarity coronal hole. Finally, activity is expected to decrease to mostly quiet levels on 31 October.

954. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #1030.1

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-05 02:51:25 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <445486.9237.bm@smtp105.sbc.mail.bf1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 4194
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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T32C Bulletin #7 (Press Release)

We have now been operating for four days and have passed the 50,000 QSO milestone. There is still almost 3 weeks to go, so those who are still needing us on various bands and modes have many opportunities still to come. This bulletin is by way of a summary of what has been done and what is planned.

Bear in mind that this has turned out to be something of an unplanned Field Day style operation, and we now have no expectations of our container of equipment arriving while we are here on Christmas Island. Instead, the team hand carried just over one metric tonne of equipment (poles, cables, radio gear, computers, etc) to the island. We are extremely grateful to all those who loaned equipment at short notice to help enable the expedition to take place and be successful. Inevitably we have had teething problems, as we have a variety of amplifiers, Microham routers, etc. where we would, ideally, like to have standard equipment and interfaces. Fortunately the transceivers are consistent as Yaesu came to our rescue with the loan of ten FT-450D radios at very short notice.

Antenna-wise, we have two-element vertical dipole arrays by the sea for 20 through 10, quarter-wave verticals with elevated radials for 30 and 40, a quarter wave vertical with ground radials for 80 and a 15m high T antenna with ground radials for 160. We also have two Beverage receive antennas for 160 and now have additional vertical dipoles for 10, 15 and 20 to allow us to retask the low band stations as second stations on those bands when LF is closed. We are continually refining our antenna systems within the limits of the wire, poles and coax that we have here, though the second tranche of operators who arrive in a week's time will bring more.

We started our SSB operations at the weekend with an entry in the Oceania SSB contest in which we believe we have comprehensively beaten the previous contest records. We will not, however, be entering the CW leg as this would undoubtedly lead to a lot of unnecessary duplicate contacts as we will by then have been very active on CW on all bands.

There has been high demand for Christmas Island, especially on LF and also on 10 and 12 where, for many years, there has been little or no propagation. So far the sunspots have been helping those bands along, with 10m being our QSO leader to date. We have pretty much been working all comers to clear the decks so that we can begin to focus more on Europe where band openings are much more limited than to the US and Japan. We would appreciate cooperation from those two areas - US and Japanese stations should find plenty of opportunity to work us on all bands. We did have to delay starting our RTTY operations - our original plans would have allowed us to be on RTTY right from the start. The good news is that RTTY is now well under way on several bands. If 10m continues to play well, we may even show up on FM!

On 160, we made our first European contacts last night, Italy and Germany and at our sunset and Russia, Ukraine and Finland at our sunrise. Hopefully these openings will improve over the next week or two. 80m shows a similar pattern but with longer openings, but right now only our topband station has access to the Beverages.

We will continue to make regular updates on our website and Michael G7VJR will no doubt update Twitter while he is here (he leaves with the first group next week). The online log on ClubLog is getting a very high hit rate, as expected - we are uploading logs twice a day, at 7am and 7pm local time here. The Internet connectivity from the hotel is turning out to be better than we had anticipated (since our site visit a year ago the hotel has installed a satellite Internet), and not only does this make log uploading easier but has meant that we have been able to follow everyone's feedback better than expected - we are grateful for that and it feeds into our daily team meetings. There is a feedback facility on the t32c.com website, which is the best way to reach us.

Finally, for that small but enthusiastic group of 6m EMEers, we are still hoping to give this mode a go in the second two weeks of the expedition, but cannot at this time make any guarantees.

Don G3XTT
T32C Publicity Officer

Latest news from Rotuma.
73 Nenad VE3EXY

Today is the sixth day of our activity. Propagation not so good,
but our team continues to work with much pleasure. Current situation,
as you can see on the chart, is 54.600 QSO's.

Important: We must finish our activity 12 hours earlier than what
was anticipated in our schedule. Our last QSO will be on October 5th
at 11:00 GMT. Our expected time of departure will be at 12:00 GMT,
October 5th from Rotuma to Suva, Fiji Islands.

We will do our final LOG update upon arrival in Suva,
Fiji on October 8th 2011. There shall be no more updates from
Rotuma Island after this.

On-line log is at: http://www.qslnet.de/member/yt3w/yt1ad/logsearch.php

Thanks for all contacts,
3D2R TEAM

SSB CW RTTY SSTV PSK31 band

160m 2 1048 0 0 0 1050
80m 1144 2773 0 0 0 3917
60m 12 0 0 0 0 12
40m 1495 3819 314 0 0 5628
30m 0 3421 170 0 0 3591
20m 4840 2088 341 0 60 7329
17m 1527 4966 220 0 3 6716
15m 4873 4577 557 0 0 10007
12m 2444 3222 626 0 22 6314
10m 4743 4366 694 10 37 9850
6m 121 65 0 0 0 186
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mode 21201 30345 2922 10 122 54600

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955. [DXNL] DXNL 1748 (Oct 5, 2011)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-05 07:54:46 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <19153343574.20111005094722@dxhf.darc.de>
Source record: 4195
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5N, NIGERIA
Bodo,DF8DX (ex-DL3OCH), is active in CW and SSB as 5N7Q from Oct 3-15.
He may also use the rotatable HF antenna of the broadcasting station in
Abuja from time to time. His 100 watts signal should be loud with more
than 20 dbi gain. QSL via homecall. See also:
http://www.thomson-broadcast.com/products/antennas-masts/short-wave-
directional-and-non-directional-antenna-systems/hp-rca-rotatable
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Stations in Nigeria may use the special prefix 5N51 during the month of
October to celebrate 51 years of independence of Nigeria.

9M2, WEST MALAYSIA, AS-073
Andrea,9M2/IZ1MHY, will be QRV in holiday style working in SSB on
10m/15m/20m from Redang Island (AS-073) until Oct 9.
QSL via homecall and LoTW.

CY0, SABLE ISLAND, NA-063
Al,VE1AWW, is working on Sable Island (NA-063) from Oct 5 until Dec 31
and will be active as CY0/VE1AWW during his spare time. QSL via VE1AWW.

D2, ANGOLA
Craig,MM0SSG, is working as D2SG during his spare time for the next six
to nine months, also in CW with max. 25 wpm. Please be aware that power
failures are normal in this area. QSL via GM4FDM and LoTW.

DL, GERMANY
DM55JES stands for 55 years of amateur radio in the town of Jessen.
The special event station with the DOK 55JES is active until Dec 31.
QSLs should be sent via burau or direct to Andy, DK4WA.

G, ENGLAND, EU-005
The special event station GB40HMSB celebrates the 40th anniversary of
the arrival of HMS Belfast in London until Dec 31. QSL via G0TOC.

Check their website at: http://www.gb2rn.org.uk/home/home.shtml
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The special call GB650JP is activated until Oct 28 to mark 650 years
of Justices of Peace serving the community in England and Wales.
QSLs will be sent automatically via the bureau, direct QSLs via G0OOO.

H4, SOLOMON ISLANDS, OC-065
Jacek,SP5DRH, will show up as H40KJ from Pigeon Island (OC-065) mainly
in CW on 160m (focussing on Europe) and 80m and in RTTY on 17m/15m from
Oct 8-21. QSL via SP7DQR, the log will be uploaded to the LoTW as well.
See also his website at: http://www.sp5drh.com/h40

HK0/SA, SAN ANDRES ISLAND, NA-033
Daniel,HK0/DL5YWM, will be active from San Andres Island (NA-033)
working in CW/SSB on 6m-40m from Oct 5-13. QSL via DL5YWM.
A quick side-trip to Providencia (NA-049) may be possible as well.

JA, JAPAN, AS-007
The special event station 8J2SUN is celebrating the 40th anniversary
of Susono city on Honshu (IOTA AS-007, WLOTA 2376) during October.
QSL via bureau.

LA, NORWAY
Some members of the Nedre Romerike Gruppe av NRRL are activating the
special callsign LM9L40Y until Dec 31 to celebrate their 40th jubilee.
QSL only via bureau to LA9L or via LoTW.

PA, THE NETHERLANDS
The special event stations PG540BUFFALO and PG540BUFFALO/J will show up
on the bands between Oct 7 and Nov 3. They are celebrating the friend-
ship between the HAM radio groups "Projectgroep 540" (Kennemerland) and
"The Buffalo's" (Zandvoort). QSL for PG540BUFFALO via PA2REH and for
the JOTA station PG540BUFFALO/J via PA0SNY. See also QRZ.com.

PY, BRAZIL
Members of the Teresina DX Group will be QRV in SSB/CW/RTTY on 160m-10m
signing ZW8TS from the Sete Cidades national park from Oct 6-9.
QSL via PS8NF. Their website is: http://www.teresinadxgroup.com

UJ, UZBEKISTAN
Takhir,UK/UA1ZEY, is active from Samarkand mostly in CW on the HF bands
until Oct 13. QSL via RW6HS (direct), UA1ZEY (bureau).

V4, SAINT KITTS AND NEVIS, NA-104
John,W5JON, is going to become active again as V47JA from Calypso Bay
on St. Kitts (NA-104) between Oct 10 and Nov 5. Listen for him in SSB
on on 6m-80m (incl. 60m) and also in the WWDX SSB Contest (SOAB class).
His XYL Cathy,W5HAM, will show up as V47HAM from time to time.
QSLs via W5JON and LoTW.

VE, CANADA
The special event station VC3ARCI celebrates the 50th anniversary of
the QRP Amateur Radio Club International. QSL via VA3JFF.

VK0/MQ, MACQUARIE ISLAND, AN-005
Trevor,VK8TH, is working as VK0TH on 80-6m from Macquarie (IOTA AN-005,
WAP AUS-08, WFF VKFF-566, Grid: QD95lm) with 100 watts and a vertical.
The length of his stay is not known. QSL via JE1LET (direct).
He has been spotted also in PSK on 20m (working Europe on 14070 kHz
after 0600 UTC). This is very interesting since Macquarie Island should
be on top of the most wanted lists for all digital modes. A logsearch
is available at: http://www.hrdlog.net/SearchQSO.aspx?log=0TH

XU, CAMBODIA
Hiroo,JA2EZD, is active again as XU7SSB and XU7AAA working in SSB on
17m-6m until the mid of October. QSL via homecall.

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Oct 5/6: DIG Birthday Contest
Oct 7-9: DX/NA YL Anniversary Contest
Oct 8: The Makrothen Contest (part 1 and 2)
Oct 8: VFDB Contest (part 5 and 6)
Oct 8: European Sprint Contest
Oct 8: FISTS Sprint Contest
Oct 8/9: Oceania DX Contest
Oct 8/9: Scandinavian Activity Contest
Oct 9: North American Sprint
Oct 9: ON Contest 80m
Oct 9: The Makrothen Contest (part 3)

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AF-004, EA8, Canary Islands: Michael,EA8/DL3FCG, will stay on Tenerife from
Oct 9-17. QSL via DL3FCG.

AS-024, JA6, Yaeyama Islands: Kan,JE1SCF, is working on Yaeyama Island from
Oct 6-8 and will be active as JE1SCF/JR6 during his little spare time.
QSL via JE1SCF (bureau/direct).

EU-023, 9H, Malta group: DL8KX and DD8ZJ will sign 9H3KX in SSB and CW on
the HF bands from the island of Gozo (WLOTA: 0046) from Oct 8-14.
QSL via DL8KX (bureau/direct).

EU-058, F, Provence-Cote d'Azur: F/IZ4BBF will be QRV in SSB and CW on the
usual IOTA frequencies on 40m=10m from Sainte Marguerite Island from
Oct 13-16. QSL via IZ4BBF (bureau/direct).

EU-083, I*1, Liguria Region group: IZ4AMS/p plans to become active from
Tinetto Island in SSB on 20m/40m/80m on Oct 9/10. QSL via IZ4AMS.

OC-239, YB9, Irian Jaya's Coastal Islands West: YB9WZJ/p and YB0MWM/9 are working from Doom Island in SSB and also some RTTY/PSK31 on 20m and 17m until Oct 8. QSL via YB9WZJ.

Bandspots of the last 7 days

80m
OJ0X 3.521 2054Z via OH2BH (B)

30m
BV100 10.116 1709Z (d)
EA8/DL2MDU 10.108 1746Z via DL2MDU (B)
OJ0X 10.123 1516Z via OH2BH (B)

20m
BV100 14.012 1454Z (d)
BX100 14.082 1537Z RTTY (B)
CN8QY/p 14.260 0930Z via I8LWL (B), AF-068
EA5KB/p 14.006 1606Z EAFF-127
FP/M1BXF 14.247 1139Z via M1BXF (B)
N4EX 14.063 1714Z SOTA WM-055
NM5S 14.061 1910Z SOTA W1/MB-002 (L)
OJ0X 14.004 1004Z via OH2BH (B)
UT3IZ/A 14.044 1532Z URFF-103
WA2USA 14.063 1651Z SOTA WM-001
XU7SSB 14.027 1555Z via JA2EZD
5C2P/p 14.260 0825Z IS0AGY (B), AF-068

17m
FP/M0FVC 18.135 1200Z M0FVC (B), NA-032
H77REX 18.071 2022Z via TI4SU (d)
T32C 18.080 2016Z via G3NUG (B), (L)
5C2P/p 18.140 1041Z IS0AGY (B), AF-068

15m
A45XR 21.040 1545Z
A65CB/m 21.016 1510Z via EB7DX (d)
W6HGF/KH0 21.081 1249Z via W6HGF (B), (L)

10m
EA8MT 28.525 1745Z (B), (L), eQSL
HK1R 28.014 1926Z via K6IPM (L)
LU1FAM 28.009 1919Z via AC7DX (d)
TF2MSN 28.400 1115Z (B)
WX3B 28.012 1921Z via N3YIM (d)
5N51EAM 28.467 1611Z via IK2IQD (d)

(d) Only direct
(B) Bureau ok
(L) NoTW
(r) Bureau QSL via e-mail request

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

-08Oct 2M1EUB 1747
27Sep-10Oct 3D2R 1746
-Dec 3Y8XSA 1700/1717
Sep 3Z25ZJP 1745
-25Oct 5B50J 1700
01Oct-31Oct 5N51.. 1748 *
03Oct-15Oct 5N7Q 1748 *
-Apr/12 5Z4RH ? 1674
-23Nov 7Q7HB 1717/1743
-30Nov 8J1MORSE.. 1731
-31Oct 8J2SUN 1748 *
-31Dec 9A11P 1723
-21Nov 9A20V 1743
08Oct-14Oct 9H3KX 1748 *
-2012 9J2RI 1739/1742
-09Oct 9M2/IZ1MHY 1748 *
NOW 9M2/KM9D 1731
LONG TERM 9N1FE 1740
SOON 9Q1EK 1669
-Nov 9Q6CC 1699

29Sep-18Oct A22EW 1747
-? A35CT 1741
-31Dec BP100 1684
-31Dec BV100 1684
16Sep-19Oct CE2/CX1EK 1746
01Oct-31Oct CJ3A 1747
-31Dec CW5RV 1711
05Oct-31Dec CY0/VE1AWW 1748 *
-Apr/12? D2SG 1748 *
09Oct-17Oct EA8/DL3FVG 1748 *
13Oct-16Oct F/IZ4BBF 1748 *
-Mar/13 FH8NX 1747
04Oct-26Oct FR/DJ7RJ 1747
-Jul/12 FR8NE 1710
-31Dec GB40HMSB 1748 *
-28Oct GB650JP 1748 *

08Oct-21Oct H40KJ 1748 *
05Oct-13Oct HK0/DL5YWM 1748 *
-31Dec HB60LU 1711
-06Nov HF36POL 1746
-31Dec HG15IPA 1724
01Jan-31Dec HG200LST 1708
Sep -2013 HI3/KL7JR 1745
-16Nov HK3JCL 1743
NOW HL2/KC6STQ 1746
01Jan-31Dec IA7MM 1708
01Jan-31Dec II1ITA.. 1708

-31Dec II4LXV 1742
09Oct/10Oct IZ4AMS/p 1748 *
-2012 J28FJ 1739
-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul/12 J28RO 1683
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
06Oct-08Oct JE1SCF/JR6 1748 *
-Oct JG8NQJ/JD1 (M) 1739

05Oct-09Oct K4L 1747
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
-May/12 KH4/W5FJG 1728
POSTPONED KH5 1674/1705/1741
-31Dec LA200D 1713
-31Dec LM9L40Y 1748 *
-31Dec LZ85R 1721
-08Oct MS0WRC 1747
-08Oct OJ0X 1746
-Mar/12 P29FR 1742
-06Oct PA/DL2VFR 1747
01Jan-31Dec PA30.. 1708
07Oct-03Nov PG540BUFFALO.. 1748 *
-15Oct PZ5LP 1664/1746

-30Nov R300ML 1743
-Dec RI1ANC 1708
SOON RI1F/UA1PBA 1740
-Sep/12 RI1FJA 1741
-Sep/12 RI1FJM 1741
-30Nov S550ACP 1745
NOW ST2AR 1745
-30Nov SU/HA3JB 1743
-10Oct SV5/LA4GY 1746
-26Oct T32C 1740
-Nov T5/TA1AMC 1745
-Apr/12 T6BP 1746
-Nov T6FR 1742
Oct T6LB 1747
-Jun/12 T6MO 1733
-Nov T6SH 1734
-13Oct UK/UA1ZEY 1748 *

10Oct-05Nov V47JA.. 1748 *
03Oct-08Oct V63DX.. 1747
-Dec/11 VK0BFG 1741
-Mar/12 VK0KEV (Macq) 1700/1701
NOW VK0TH (Macq) 1748 *
28Oct-31Dec VP9/N1SV 1747
29Oct/30Oct VP9I 1747
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
-14Nov XF1/K5ENS 1739

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NOW XT2RJA 1712
-Oct XU7AAA.. 1716/1748 *
-8Oct YB9WZJ/p 1748 *
-31Oct VC3ARCI 1748 *
-14Oct YJ0ABP.. 1746
-12Oct YJ0VK 1747
19Aug-31Oct ZL4RUGBY 1741
-31Dec ZL50GH 1711
-Oct ZL6RWC 1744
-2012? ZS6KX/7 1740
06Oct-09Oct ZW8TS 1748 *
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* new or updated
.. and other calls

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QSL information
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CT9/DL6TK via DL6TK (B)
CY0/VE1AWW via VE1AWW (B)
D2SG via GM4FDM (L)
D7A via 6K2BWA (L)
DL/KE9I via KE9I
DM55JES via DK4WA (B)
DR0A via DJ9XJ (B)
E7/ZL1SLO via ZL1SLO (B)
EA6/DJ5GI via DJ5GI (B)
EA8/DL2MDU via DL2MDU (B)
ES9C via ES5RY (B)
EY8MM via K1BV (B)
FP/G3ZAY via G3ZAY (B)
FP/G4EAG via G4EAG (B), (L)
FP/M1BXF via M1BXF (B, also via e-mail request)
VK0TH via JE1LET (d)
3D2R via YT1AD (B)
3Z225DT via SP9PBB
3Z35KKK via SP3PGZ (B only)
5B/SQ9IVD via SQ9IVD (B), (L)
5B4AIF via EB7DX (d)
5C2B/p via IS0AGY (B)
5N7Q via DF8DX (B), (L)
6O0M via PA7FM
6Y6U via W1UE (B)
8J2SUN via JARL bureau
9A/S52DG/p via S52DG (B)
9H3KX via DL8KX (B)
9M2/IZ1MHY via IZ1MHY (L)
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(d) only direct
(B) bureau ok
(*) new QSL manager
(L) logbook of the World (LoTW)

(r) -mail request

QSLs arrived direct: PJ2T (W3HNK)

QSLs arrived bureau: FG/F6AUS, FM5LD, JA7GAX/6, JW/SQ5BPF, K9AJ/VY0,
OJ0J (OH0RJ), PJ4B (PA3GVI), PJ4I (DL9USA), R0/US0IW,
R1ANP (RW1AI), T32AJ (K9AJ), TT8JT (E73Y), V26K (AA3B),
V5/DJ2HD, V55DLH (DK8ZZ), YN2GY (K9GY), ZF2AM (K6AM),
ZK3YA (W7YAQ), 1B1AB (N7RO), 4S7KKG (DC0KK),
6V7Z (DE0MST), 6W1SJ (E73Y), 7Z1HL (DJ9ZB),
9L7NS (AA7A), 9U0A (DL7UFR), 9X0SP (DL7UFR),
9X0TL (DL2RUM)

OPs WANTED

David,GI4FUM, of CQ DX African Safaris writes (http://www.3da0ss.net):
"I'm planning to run a DXpedition to Namibia next March. Our host is
Andre,V51B, in Oranjemund in Southern Namibia. The plan is to fly into
Cape Town at the beginning of March and spend a few days there sight seeing:
Table Mountain, Robin Island, wine tasting in the Stellenbosch area etc.
We would then hire vehicles and drive up the west coast to Oranjemund for
10 days operating prior to putting an entry in for CQ WPX SSB which is
24th/25th March. There would be the opportunity to do some sight seeing in
Namibia. Return home via Cape Town."
If you are interested in joining him, please send David an e-mail.

SAVE DX LOGS!

This appeal comes from Bob Schenck, N2OO: "If anyone knows of any DX or
DXpedition logs and blank cards that are in jeopardy of being trashed,
PLEASE save them! If you are a QSL Manager and can't be bothered any more,
PLEASE contact us! Contact the QSL Managers Society and we pledge to locate
a quality replacement QSL Manager. Just because a DXpedition log is old it
does not mean that it is not worthy of being saved!"
See also: http://www.qsl.net/qslmanagers

DLFF News

There are two new Flora & Fauna areas in Germany:
DLFF-136: Nature Park Vulkaneifel
DLFF-137: Nature Park Peenetal
These areas can be activated right now.
More information is available at: http://www.wff-dl.de

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F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX and others.

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http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxmb/2011

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956. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #1030.2

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CQ NEWS (w/correction): The following was received by Rich Moseson, W2VU, Editor: FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE - CQ ANNOUNCES ADDITIONAL PLAQUES FOR CQ DX MARATHON - "CQ magazine is pleased to announce a significant expansion in the number of DX Marathon plaques to be awarded each year. Presently, the Northern Illinois DX Association sponsors the only two plaques – one for the top Unlimited Class score and one for the top Formula Class score. Starting with the announcement of the 2011 Marathon results in the June 2012 issue, DX Marathon Administrator John Sweeney, K9EL, says additional plaques will be awarded for the following top scores:

Top CW score – Plaque sponsored by Bencher, Inc.

Top SSB score - Plaque sponsored by the Collins Amateur Radio Club in Memory of Art Collins, W0CXX

Top Single band scores (10,12,15,17,20,30,40,80) – Plaque sponsor wishes to remain anonymous

Top Continental scores - Plaque sponsor wishes to remain anonymous

An additional sponsor for top Digital Mode score is desired. Please contact the DX Marathon Administrator, K9EL, at k9el@dxmarathon.com if you wish to sponsor this plaque.

Please check the DX Marathon website (www.dxmarathon.com) for details on the new plaques and qualifying scores.

With the addition of the Republic of South Sudan to the DXCC list, CQ has also added the Republic of South Sudan as a qualifying entity for the 2011 DX Marathon. An updated score sheet (2011.4) and updated CQ Country Lists are now available on the DX Marathon web site.

The CQ DX Marathon is a year-long activity encouraging DXing on the HF bands. Competition begins anew each January 1st. Details are available on the CQ magazine website (www.cq-amateur-radio.com) and on the DX Marathon website."

OH0X PRESS RELEASE: Report received from Martti, OH2BH/OJ0X,
-- 73 Jarmo OH2BN

"MARKET REEF WITH NEW BLOOD - OCTOBER 4

It was at noon on Tuesday when the second and third week teams changed on the fly and quickly put fresh energy and two signals on the air again, now with a repaired Alpha 91B. It works! From now on OH1ND, OH2BH, SM0W and SM6U are in command.

An exhausted team of OH1TV, OH2BAD, OH2BO and OH5BM was sent home to get on with life as landlubbers again. Their 16.500 QSOs were added to the Log Search facility at QRZ.COM, now totaling some 37,000.

With lots of IT expertise and new data equipment, it still seems that the Internet is not reliable and more work needs to be done. The teams left four people on the small island of Ensk&#65533;r between OH0 and OJ0 to install a new cell site so traffic can be boosted for data and news delivery to the outside world.

After running their first thousand QSOs, mostly on 15m SSB to Japan and USA, the ops heated the island sauna behind the breakwater and enjoyd their new remote life.

They now have three complete stations, squeezing all available power from the wind generator charged plant. The overall target is set at 50,000 QSOs, and they have decided not to leave the reef before that goal is accomplished.

The wind is gathering momentum but the team is safe."

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
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Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject&#65533;bscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject&#65533;subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html

ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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Excerpts and distribution of The OPDX Bulletin are granted as long as
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Information can now be faxed to the following "NEW" phone line at:
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957. ** MMMonVHF Newsletter / No.1 - WEEK 40/2011 **

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Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our lastet NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2011-10-06
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter, once a week (thursday)
from now on - if any special activities will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further detail please be so kind and watch our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you vy welcome for any
input and we do hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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** MMMonVHF Meeting 2011 at Danube valley JN48nb **

The Team of MMMonVHF have had a nice Meeting with a lot of fun
during the past "long" weekend. As guestï¿½s Pete, OE5MPL and
Ebbi, DL8SCQ (with his wife Elena) was visiting us and took
part at some trips around JN47/JN48. Some discussions about
future plans and goals of MMMonVHF have been done and we are
have to find some good solutions - in detail the USER of the
VHF-DX-Portal will be informed after the changes have been done.
As well there was a nice GEOCACHING trip through the hilly area
of Danube valley and the "cache treasure" was found and a Travel
-Bag was placed in the cache look at:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/minibb/index.php?action=vthread&forum=16&topic=145#msg461
SOURCE: Guy, DL8EBW, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

** SAD NEWS AGAIN - Al, WA4EWV got SK **

t is with great sadness that my good friend Al WA4EWV passed away
September 30th,2011 at a hospital in Tallahassee Florida, following
a brief illness. Those who knew Al will remember his quick smile,
kind nature & truly wonderful sense of humour. I met Al & Bettie
while wintering in Florida.Al was very interested in satellite work
& EME putting together a very nice station.He loved chasing new
countries. Al was a captain for Delta airline & flew a 767-ER from
Atlanta to Frankfurt & back every week.As he flew over Nova Scotia
& Newfoundland every week He said to me when I retire I will visit
Atlantic Canada instead of flying over it all the time. So he did

& that is when I met Al & Bettie. Al had a brilliant mind when it
came to computers & often helped me with problems I could not
resolved. Al was a great friend & a devoted husband to Bettie & an
equally devoted Father to his three children. He was taken far too
soon, & too suddenly. I will miss you, we will miss you. Rest in
Peace my dear friend - SOURCE: Serge VE1KG via MoonNet
The Team of MMMonVHF will pass our deep sympathy and condolences
to his family. Rest in peace dear Al! SOURCE: The MMMonVHF Team

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: R1F ; Square: LR90 ; Start: 2011-10-08 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=4011

RI1FJL, QTH locator LR90AO, from island Land Franca Iosifa in
144 MHz EME CW - LATEST NEWS from UA3MBJ Nik, via Juergen, DK3WG,
dated 2011-10-03: Hello Jurgen! Pse info Moonnet:
QSL via RX3MM info:qrz.com - The Following period to activities
RI1FJL (LR90ao): 08/10/2011 <--------> 24/10/2011
QRL time: 23:00utc -- 02:00utc, 09:30utc -- 14:00utc.
Pse offer sked: ua3mbj"at"rambler.ru Pse info:ANT, QRO, qth loc.
SOURCE: Nik, UA3MBJ via Juergen, DK3WG to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: GW ; Square: IO72 ; Start: 2011-10-08 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=4022

IO72 qrv on 144 MHz Meteorscatter - Conformation of Activity this
coming weekend from IO72 on 144MHz FSK441 I will be active during
the Saturday 8th evening for the Draconids meteor shower from IO72
square. I anticipate being active from about 1800 to 2200 UTC on
FSK441 calling on 144.370 beaming E-SE with rx frequency stated in
CQ call. Callsign will be GW4YNL/P Equipment K3 plus BNOS 100W amp
to 9ele @ 7M agl. No skeds will be taken but I will have limited
access to KST through tethered mobile phone and laptop so can chat
on-line. SOURCE: tnx to Roger Banks, GW4WND, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: W ; Square: EN40 ; Start: 2011-10-21 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=4030

Joe, K9MRI back on trip - these time EN40 - I will have a chance to
activate state of Iowa on 144 Mhz EME. Station will be a small
setup of 2x 5wl antennas and 400 watts. Will use JT65B 2nd period
on 144.149 depending on birdies. Hope to have internet capability.
SOURCE: tnx to Joe, K9MRI, direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** Mek, SP7VC, qrv from Lichtenstein, HB0, HF & 6m **

Mek, SP7VC, will be active as HB0/SP7VC on 25-31 October 2011 from Liechtenstein. Bands: 160-10m plus WARC SSB, 6m if open - also active in CQWW DX SSB Contest (29-30 October). Equipment will consisted of: IC-746, HEX Beam, R-7 vertical, INV-L 160 and 80m, 3el yagi for 50Mhz, ALPHA 76A, PA 6m. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW. [NG3K]
SOURCE: ICPO Bulletin (23-30 September 2011)

** LA6Q EU-061 qrv HF & 50 MHz **

Hello. LA6Q will be active from IOTA EU-061 Spjï¿½rï¿½y (Spjaeroy) Island. Operators: LA5UKA Bjï¿½rn and LA9VDA Trond. Dates: 7 - 9th October. Bands: 6m ms and 10 - 40m. Modes: SSB, CW, DIGI. QSL via LA9VDA, more info at qrz.com <http://qrz.com>. 73
SOURCE: LA9VDA, Trond via [GOLIST]

** V4, SAINT KITTS AND NEVIS, NA-104 **

John,W5JON, is going to become active again as V47JA from Calypso Bay on St. Kitts (NA-104) between Oct 10 and Nov 5. Listen for him in SSB on on 6m-80m (incl. 60m) and also in the WWDX SSB Contest (SOAB class). His XYL Cathy,W5HAM, will show up as V47HAM from time to time. QSLs via W5JON and LoTW. SOURCE: NG3K DX-News

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** VK0/MQ, MACQUARIE ISLAND, AN-005 **

Trevor,VK8TH, is working as VK0TH on 80-6m from Macquarie (IOTA AN-005, WAP AUS-08, WFF VKFF-566, Grid: QD95lm) with 100 watts and a vertical. The length of his stay is not known. QSL via JE1LET (direct). He has been spotted also in PSK on 20m (working Europe on 14070 kHz after 0600 UTC). This is very interesting since Macquarie Island should be on top of the most wanted lists for all digital modes. A logsearch is available at:
http://www.hrdlog.net/SearchQSO.aspx?log=VK0TH
SOURCE: DXNL 1748 - Oct 5, 2011

** CM86,87,94,95 Grid Trip Schedule / qrv 50 MHz **

Thanks to all who responded with thoughts regarding a drive business trip I need to make between DM13 and CM97. Predictably, only a few

FFMA chasers (within meteor scatter range) needed grids located up and down the coastal southern half of California - other than CM79 and offshore CM93/DM02. However, there were a number of the gang who needed grids for their WSJT awards. That's enough "need" for me! My plan will be to make two grid line stops on the way up to Santa Clara CM94/95 and CM86/87. If the CM86/87 line stop doesn't pan out I will split the time so both get some action. While the trip will focus on WSJT because Es aren't expected, I will be watching for them closely. Anyone needing these grids (but do not use WSJT) wanting to try CW or SSB scatter, simply drop me a note. We'll make a sked and give it go. CM94/95 October 12 starting at 1300z - through morning...will look for Es CM86/87 October 13 starting at 1300z - throughout day if possible ...will look for Es - Call K7BV - Reports I send grids & use ST/SH for RRR and 73. You please NO grids and DO use SH/ST. Frequency/mod 50.255 - FSK441/ISCAT, me always in 1st sequence. If Es appear, will try 50.155. Station KW to 3el yagi at 20 feet, FT 450 Coordination I do expect to have Internet access to Ping Jockey. ON4KST if Es appear. If I missed anything, please let me know. Thanks for the fun! 73
SOURCE: Dennis K7BV via [wsjtgroup]-Reflector

** DL89/DL99 for Christmas? **

I have been doing some thinking...always a dangerous thing. My XYL is going to be back home in Indonesia visiting family over the Christmas/New Year holiday period. Sooooo...I am thinking a quick (?) run out to the DL89/DL89 grid line to operate for 3-4 days to catch some winter Es for the Leader Board gang and others might be a worth while venture. Certainly such a trip in the summer Es would probably be more successful. However, I will not be able to do that after my move to FM04 this winter. My thoughts about a DL89/DL89 grid line trip are:
1. Winter Es during that week often produce good 1hop openings as well as some 2hop Es which would be required for contacts to New England and to the PacNW.
2. Meteor scatter QSO would be possible for a very large portion of the USA.
3. A portable set up on 6m with a KW and 7 elements...or even 3el's ...probably hasn't been done from this area in some time, if ever, therefore, such an operation very well might score a new grid or two for many who need them for FFMA.
Of course on the down side, we have: -Maybe the band wouldn't open at all and only the meteor scatter people would benefit.-The drug runners would put a bullet in my head. - My wife would put a bullet in my head because this trip would cost about $600 for fuel, eats, sleeps. This type of adventure easily falls within parameters for my motto "True Adventure Requires an Uncertain Outcome" therefore it makes sense to me! Your thoughts and suggestions please. k7bv"at"aol.com if you wish to send a private msg.

SOURCE: Dennis K7BV via [wsjtgroup]-Reflector

** 3D2C, CONWAY REEF ACTIVITY 2011 on HF and 6m & 2m (EME) **

LATEST NEWS from Lance, W7GJ, via Magic Band EME, dated 2011-09-29:
I spoke to them on 28 mHz while they were enroute. There will be no
6 or 2 meter EME operation. They lost the container with all that
equipment because of a ship breakdown and they will not get the
container. Looks like another chance lost, but hopefully they will
have better luck with shipping on their next DXpedition!
SOURCE: tnx to Lance, W7GJ direct to MMMonVHF

** 3D - Fiji - qrv HF & 50 MHz **

Seb, F8IJV, is making plans to be in Fiji during October 2011
(dates are not final yet). Activity will be limited to his free
time (this will not be a DXpedition). He has received his license
and will use the callsign 3D2JV. Seb will be active from the QTH
of Tony, 3D2AG, located in the capital city of Suva, on the island
of Viti Levu (OC-016, WLOTA L-0055, Grid Loc. RH91), Fiji. He plans
to be QRV on 160-6 metres, mainly on SSB and FM on 10 metres, and
possibly some Digital modes. Seb also plans to participate to the
2011 CQWW DX SSB Contest (29-30 October) while there. If it is
possible he may go to Rotuma (OC-060) by plane, if it is not too
expensive. He would like to operate a few days from there. The
equipment to be used will be an Yaesu FT-450, 5 band Spiderbeam,
and three vertical antennas for the 160/80/40 metre bands (possibly
a K9AY for reception). QSL via his home callsign, direct or bureau.
SOURCE: OPDX Bulletin and ICPO

** Special Event Station with 6 Meters... **

Oct 15-Oct 17, 1600Z-0600Z, N5B/K5NOT, Granbury, TX. Troop 2005.
50.160. QSL. BSA Troop 2005, 10040 Flight Plan Dr, Granbury,
TX 76049. SOURCE: Andy N8OFS GOT6??? via [50mhz]-Reflector

** K4L from St George Island and qrv HF & 50 MHz **

Members of the Kennehoochee ARC (W4BTI) will be active as K4L
from St George Island (NA-085) and lighthouse on 5-9 October.
They plan to operate CW, SSB, PSK and RTTY on 160-6 metres.
An OQRS will be activated at the conclusion of the operation
(details on qrz.com). Traditional direct requests should be sent
to The Kennehoochee Amateur Radio Club, P.O.Box 1245, Marietta,
GA 30060, USA. SOURCE: 425 DX News

** PJ2 - Curacao - qrv HF & 50 MHz **

Andy, DK5ON (EPC #11731, DMC #03870), will be active as PJ2/DK5ON
from the island of Curacao (IOTA SA-099, WLOTA 0942, Grid Loc. FK52)
from 12-30 March, 2012. Plans are to be QRV on 40-6m SSB, RTTY, PSK
and CW. Andy will be using TS 480 SAT at 100W, 10/15/20/40 Dipole
WARC 12/17, +Buddipole,+Buddystick, +Long Wire. QSL via home call,
driect or bureau. No eQSL! Website: www.qrz.com/db/DK5ON
SOURCE: dx-world.net and ICPO

** XU, CAMBODIA, qrv HF and 50 MHz **

Hiroo,JA2EZD, is active again as XU7SSB and XU7AAA working in SSB
on 17m-6m until the mid of October. QSL via homecall.
SOURCE: DXNL 1748 - Oct 5, 2011

** TUVALU (RI91OL) DXpedition qrv HF and 50 MHz Activity **

With the "Pacific DXers" postponing their DXpedition to Nauru, the
group has reorganzied their first DXpedition to Tuvalu to take place
between November 11th and December 8th. Callsign will be T2T.
Operators mentioned are Eddie/VK4AN, Bill/VK4FW, Eric/VK4NEF,
Tim/NL8F, Jay/K4ZLE and Julian/W5SL. Activity will be on all HF
bands, 160-6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. They expect to
have at least 3 stations on the air with a dedicated station set
up on 6 meters running in an interrupted beacon mode. QSL Manager
is the Pacific DXers, or by the Bureau via VK4FW. Bureau requests
are also accepted by E-mail to eliminate sending your QSL via the
Bureau (saves time!). PLEASE NOTE: VK4FW is the current QSL Manager
for Pacific DXers: Bill Horner, 13 McConnell Rd, Maidenwell, QLD
4615, Australia --or-- via E-mail: QSL-Mgr@pacific-dxers.com If an
InterNet connection (doubtful) can be established during the
operation an online log will be updated on a regular basis,
otherwise it will be uploaded as soon as they retrn home. LoTW and
eQSL will be uploaded within 12 months after the operation finishes
For more details and updates, visit:
http://c21.pacific-dxers.com/T2T.html
Please note: Operators K4ZLE, VK4AN, VK4FW, VK4NEF and W5SL will
operate from Fiji prior to Tuvalu between October 26th and November
9th. SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1029

** T32C Bulletin #7 (Press Release) **

We have now been operating for four days and have passed the 50,000
QSO milestone. There is still almost 3 weeks to go, so those who are
still needing us on various bands and modes have many opportunities
still to come. This bulletin is by way of a summary of what has been

done and what is planned.
Bear in mind that this has turned out to be something of an unplanned Field Day style operation, and we now have no expectations of our container of equipment arriving while we are here on Christmas Island Instead, the team hand carried just over one metric tonne of equipment (poles, cables, radio gear, computers, etc) to the island We are extremely grateful to all those who loaned equipment at short notice to help enable the expedition to take place and be successful Inevitably we have had teething problems, as we have a variety of amplifiers, Microham routers, etc. where we would, ideally, like to have standard equipment and interfaces. Fortunately the transceivers are consistent as Yaesu came to our rescue with the loan of ten FT-450D radios at very short notice.
Antenna-wise, we have two-element vertical dipole arrays by the sea for 20 through 10, quarter-wave verticals with elevated radials for 30 and 40, a quarter wave vertical with ground radials for 80 and a 15m high T antenna with ground radials for 160. We also have two Beverage receive antennas for 160 and now have additional vertical dipoles for 10, 15 and 20 to allow us to retask the low band stations as second stations on those bands when LF is closed. We are continually refining our antenna systems within the limits of the wire, poles and coax that we have here, though the second tranche of operators who arrive in a week's time will bring more.
We started our SSB operations at the weekend with an entry in the Oceania SSB contest in which we believe we have comprehensively beaten the previous contest records. We will not, however, be entering the CW leg as this would undoubtedly lead to a lot of unnecessary duplicate contacts as we will by then have been very active on CW on all bands.
There has been high demand for Christmas Island, especially on LF and also on 10 and 12 where, for many years, there has been little or no propagation. So far the sunspots have been helping those bands along, with 10m being our QSO leader to date. We have pretty much been working all comers to clear the decks so that we can begin to focus more on Europe where band openings are much more limited than to the US and Japan. We would appreciate cooperation from those two areas - US and Japanese stations should find plenty of opportunity to work us on all bands. We did have to delay starting our RTTY operations - our original plans would have allowed us to be on RTTY right from the start. The good news is that RTTY is now well under way on several bands. If 10m continues to play well, we may even show up on FM!
On 160, we made our first European contacts last night, Italy and Germany and at our sunset and Russia, Ukraine and Finland at our sunrise. Hopefully these openings will improve over the next week or two. 80m shows a similar pattern but with longer openings, but right now only our topband station has access to the Beverages.
We will continue to make regular updates on our website and Michael G7VJR will no doubt update Twitter while he is here (he leaves with the first group next week). The online log on ClubLog is getting a

very high hit rate, as expected - we are uploading logs twice a day
at 7am and 7pm local time here. The Internet connectivity from the
hotel is turning out to be better than we had anticipated (since
our site visit a year ago the hotel has installed a satellite
Internet), and not only does this make log uploading easier but
has meant that we have been able to follow everyone's feedback
better than expected - we are grateful for that and it feeds into
our daily team meetings. There is a feedback facility on the
t32c.com website, which is the best way to reach us.
Finally, for that small but enthusiastic group of 6m EMEers, we are
still hoping to give this mode a go in the second two weeks of the
expedition, but cannot at this time make any guarantees.
SOURCE: Don G3XTT T32C Publicity Officer

** NEWSLETTER-DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF week **

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next WEDNESDAY 2359 UTC ...

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like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USER who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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958. [RAC-Bulletin] [EMCOMM]: CFARS/ARES Activation - Loss of communications in Iqaluit, Nunavut and area - 2011-10-06

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-07 00:05:08 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4E8E41E0.2070607@rac.ca>
Source record: 4198
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RCMP NATIONAL OPERATIONS CENTRE (NOC) OTTAWA HAS REQUESTED THE
ACTIVATION OF THE CFARS NETWORK IN SUPPORT OF A LOSS OF COMMUNICATIONS
IN IQALUIT, NUNAVUT AND ELSEWHERE IN NORTHERN CANADA.

CFARS NET ACTIVATION:
MONITOR CFARS FREQUENCIES: JULIET AND MIKE

NON CFARS MEMBERS MONITOR
MONITOR AMATEUR FREQUENCIES; 14.140 MHZ AND 7080 MHZ

HEALTH AND WELFARE MESSAGE TRAFFIC SHOULD BE SENT DIRECTLY TO THE
FOLLOWING ADDRESS:

National_Operations NOC <National_Operations.NOC@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>

RCMP NOC OTTAWA PHONE NUMBER (613) 993-4460

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http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

959. The ARRL Letter for October 6, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-07 00:10:09 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20111006205424.01FCA26D47@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 4199
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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==> + ON THE AIR: 10 METERS IS HOT!

For the past few days, the solar flux has been hovering around 130.
While this is down from a peak of 190 -- the highest we've seen in
Solar Cycle 24 -- just 11 days ago, the higher HF bands are definitely
feeling the effect. Higher solar flux levels can mean higher sunspot
levels and this is good news for radio amateurs, especially
Technicians. The 10 meter band is the only HF band where Techs have
phone privileges. "Techs can get use their voice privileges from
28.300-28.500 MHz," explained W1AW Station Manager Joe Carcia, NJ1Q.
"If you don't have your own HF rig, find someone in your local radio
club who does or call your Elmer. Without a doubt, you don't want to
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miss this opening. Who knows how long it will last or when it will come back? So get on the air while you can and experience the magic of 10 meters." The solar flux is predicted to hit 140 <http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/latest/45DF.txt> on October 12 and stay at that level for almost a week. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/attention-techs-10-meters-is-hot>.

==> + WRC-12: EUROPEAN PROPOSAL FOR AMATEUR SECONDARY MF ALLOCATION CLEARS IMPORTANT HURDLE

In preparation for the 2012 World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC-12 <http://www.itu.int/ITU-R/index.asp?category=conferences&rlink=wrc-12&lang=en>), the CEPT Project Team C <http://www.cept.org/ecc/groups/ecc/cpg/cpg-pt-c> approved a draft European Common Proposal (ECP) for an 8 kHz-wide band between 472 and 480 kHz at its September meeting. The draft ECP will now go to CEPT's Conference Preparatory Group for formal ratification in November. This breakthrough -- at the 11th and final meeting of the project team -- occurred with the submission by the UK's Ofcom of an RSGB-drafted compromise ECP proposal that is also supported by France and Sweden.

Agenda Item 1.23 calls for WRC-12 delegations to consider an allocation of about 15 kHz in parts of the band 415-526.5 kHz to the Amateur Service on a secondary basis, taking into account the need to protect existing services. "While an 8 kHz allocation does not fully meet our objective of 15 kHz, having a European Common Proposal for an amateur allocation is a major step toward possibly achieving one at WRC-12," said ARRL Chief Executive Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ.

According to Colin Thomas, G3PSM, the prospect of an agreed CEPT position is good progress, representing a 48 country block vote going into next year's WRC-12. "It needs to be noted that the draft ECP comes with significant caveats to avoid interference to the primary user, as well as the existing secondary user services," he explained. "These are the maritime and aeronautical radionavigation services, respectively. As secondary users, we would also not be afforded any protection. It should be acknowledged that we have had support from a number of Region 1 IARU Member-Societies in getting to this position." Thomas is the CEPT Coordinator for this agenda item.

==> + EVERY RADIO AMATEUR KNOWS THAT SPECTRUM DEFENSE MATTERS

The second edition for 2011 of Spectrum Defense Matters -- a newsletter aimed at keeping ARRL members updated on issues related to the protection of Amateur Radio frequencies -- was recently released on the ARRL website. This newsletter covers both domestic and international topics related to the Amateur Radio spectrum. Your financial support is vital to continue the ARRL's work to protect your operating privileges. You can help protect these privileges by contributing generously to the 2011 ARRL Spectrum Defense Fund. Defending spectrum means protecting the way each of us chooses to enjoy

Amateur Radio. It is important to have VHF/UHF allocations when radio amateurs are called upon to provide support during communications emergencies. But Amateur Radio is primarily a personal radio service where licensees have great latitude to develop their skills, experiment to broaden their knowledge base, serve their communities and to simply have fun. Click here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/every-radio-amateur-knows-that-spectrum-defense-matters>
to read about some of the Spectrum Defense items featured in this issue of Spectrum Defense Matters.

==> + CHECK OUT THE NOVEMBER ISSUE OF QST

The November issue of QST is jam-packed with all sorts of things that today's Amateur Radio operator needs. From product reviews to experiments to contesting, this issue of QST has something for just about everyone.

Now that the colder months are here, thoughts turn to tinkering in the shack. If your radio doesn't come with digital signal processing capability, why not build a DSP speaker? DSP cuts out the unwanted noise and gives you only the signal you want to hear, adapting to changes in the signal's conditions. Allen Baker, KG4JJH, offers a schematic for a DSP speaker in his article "Build Your Own DSP Speaker." In designing a modern-day antenna, Dave Holdeman, N9XU, recalls a "plumber's delight" from his Novice days in his article "A 160 or 80 Meter Downspout Vertical." Build a self-contained multi-oscillator that allows for convenient and precise SSB transmitter adjustment after you read "A Four Tone SSB Test Generator" by Dave Lyndon, AK4AA.

If you have an Android smartphone, you probably have a couple of Amateur Radio-related apps on it. But how do you know which one is right for you? William F. Vartorella, KJ4ORX, presents a handy guide in "Android Apps for the Amateur." With so many insurance options available, it can get confusing when looking for the best coverage for your ham gear. In his article "Homeowners Insurance and Your Radio Gear," Ray Fallen, ND8L, discusses how to purchase insurance for your station.

ARRL Emergency Preparedness Manager Mike Corey, W5MPC, takes a look at the Yaesu FT-450D HF and 6 meter transceiver in this month's Product Review. He says that this rig "adds a standard internal antenna tuner, new CW filter bandwidths and several ergonomic upgrades to the original FT-450. These refinements make a popular, low-cost transceiver even better." ARRL Test Engineer Bob Allison, WB1GCM, checks out the Elecraft XG3 RF signal source: "The Elecraft XG3 is a compact, accurate signal source with a variety of uses in the Amateur Radio station or at the workbench."

Of course, there are the usual columns you know and expect in the November QST: Happenings, Hints & Kinks, The Doctor Is IN, How's DX,

Technical Correspondence, Vintage Radio and more. Look for your November issue in your mailbox. QST is the official journal of ARRL, the national association for Amateur Radio. QST is just one of the many benefits of ARRL membership. To join or renew your ARRL membership, please visit the ARRL web page <https://www.arrl.org/join>.

==> AT THE WORKBENCH: THE DEADLINE FOR THE THIRD ARRL HOMEBREW CHALLENGE IS APPROACHING

The ARRL has sponsored two Homebrew Challenges in the past, designed to test our members' design and construction skills by making useful amateur gear at low cost -- and sharing their results with our members. Our first ARRL Homebrew Challenge, announced in QST for August 2006, required the construction of a 40 meter, 5 W voice and CW transceiver built for less than $50 of new parts. The Second Homebrew Challenge, announced in February 2009, resulted in a number of creative designs of low cost 50 W linear amplifiers to follow the transceiver -- two for about $30, as well as a multiband amplifier with many features for somewhat more. The deadline for the Third Homebrew Challenge is Tuesday, November 1. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/the-deadline-for-the-third-arrl-homebrew-challenge-is-approaching>.

==> + PUBLIC SERVICE: NOMINATIONS NOW OPEN FOR THE GEORGE HART DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

The George Hart Distinguished Service Award may be presented by the Board of Directors to the ARRL member whose service to the ARRL's Field Organization is of the most exemplary nature. The Distinguished Service Award is named in honor of George Hart, W1NJM, long-time Communications Manager at ARRL Headquarters and chief developer of the National Traffic System. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/nominations-now-open-for-the-george-hart-distinguished-service-award>.

==> ARRL IN ACTION: WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO LATELY?

This feature is a concise monthly update of some of the things that the ARRL is doing on behalf of its members. This installment -- which covers the month of September -- takes a look at how the ARRL briefed members of the White House staff on Amateur Radio's capabilities during emergencies, how the ARRL Lab is investigating power line noise, the upcoming Director elections in the ARRL's Atlantic, Delta and Midwest Divisions, the search for a new ARRL Treasurer, recognizing radio amateurs for technical excellence, reports from the Official Observer Desk and more. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-in-action-what-have-we-been-up-to-lately-38>.

==> + SECTION NEWS: NEW SECTION MANAGER APPOINTED IN NORTH TEXAS

Effective Wednesday, October 5, the ARRL North Texas Section has a new Section Manager. Jay Urish, W5GM, of Flower Mound, stepped down for personal reasons. He has served as North Texas Section Manager since

April 2009, and was re-elected to a second term in April 2011. Walt Mayfield, KE5SOO, of Krum, has been appointed the North Texas Section Manager, as of October 5, to fulfill the present term of office. ARRL Membership and Volunteer Programs Manager Dave Patton, NN1N, made the appointment in consultation with West Gulf Division Director David Woolweaver, K5RAV. Mayfield has served as the North Texas Section Emergency Coordinator and is the president of the Denton County Amateur Radio Association. Mayfield's appointment continues through March 31, 2013.

==> COMMITTEE NOTES: CHANGES TO ARRL ETHICS AND ELECTIONS COMMITTEE

There is a change in the composition of the ARRL Ethics and Elections Committee. President Kay Craigie, N3KN, has accepted the resignation of Southeastern Division Director Greg Sarratt, W4OZK, from the committee, thanking him for his service as chairman for the past nine months. Roanoke Division Director Dennis Bodson, W4PWF, will serve on the committee for the remainder of the one-year term. Committee member Tom Frenaye, K1KI, Director of the New England Division, will serve as chairman. Pacific Division Director Bob Vallio, W6RGG, also serves on the committee. Sarratt will continue to serve as Director of the ARRL's Southeastern Division.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "I wish the Sun would hide its head <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SXrfQgbhVAw>" Cook, K7RA, reports: The sunspot excitement continues, with photos of the Sun showing more and more spots. The average daily sunspot numbers for the week were about the same as the previous week, increasing from 96.1 to 96.7, while the average daily solar flux dropped from 155.5 to 132.6. Our three month moving average of sunspot numbers puts us into activity levels last seen in mid-2004. The latest NOAA/USAF forecast shows solar flux at 125 on October 6-7, 130 on October 8-12, 125 on October 13 and 110 on October 14-16. The planetary A index prediction shows 18 for October 6, 10 on October 7-8, 8 on October 9 and 5 on October 10-27. Look for more information on the ARRL website on Friday, October 7. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by Yellowcard's October Nights <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Yellowcard>.

==> + ARRL RECOGNIZES: ROBERT MILLER, KE6F , WINS SEPTEMBER QST COVER PLAQUE AWARD

The winner of the QST Cover Plaque Award for September is Robert Miller, KE6F , for his article "Yet Another Crystal Calibrator -- The YACC 1-2-3. " Congratulations Robert! The QST Cover Plaque award -- given to the author or authors of the best article in each issue -- is determined by a vote of ARRL members on the QST Cover Plaque Poll Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cover-plaque-poll> . Cast a ballot for your

favorite article in the October issue today.

==> THIS WEEK ON THE RADIO

This week:

- October 7-9 -- YLRL DX/NA YL Anniversary Contest
- October 8 -- FISTS Fall Sprint; EU Autumn Sprint (CW)
- October 8-9 -- Arizona QSO Party; Pennsylvania QSO Party; Makrothen RTTY Contest; Oceania DX Contest (CW); Scandinavian Activity Contest (SSB)
- October 9 -- North American Sprint (RTTY); UBA ON Contest (CW)
- October 10 -- 10-10 International 10-10 Day Sprint
- October 12 -- NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint; NAQCC-EU Monthly Sprint

Next week:

- October 15 -- Iowa QSO Party; Feld Hell Sprint
- October 15-16 -- New York QSO Party; 10-10 International Fall Contest (CW); JARTS WW RTTY Contest; CQ SA Contest (SSB); QRP ARCI Fall QSO Party; Worked All Germany Contest
- October 16 -- Asia-Pacific Fall Sprint (CW)
- October 16-17 -- Illinois QSO Party
- October 17 -- Run for the Bacon QRP Contest
- October 17-24 -- ARRL School Club Roundup

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- October 8-9 -- ARRL Florida State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/florida-state-convention-melbourne-hamfest>, Melbourne, Florida
- October 9 -- ARRL Connecticut State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/connecticut-state-convention-1>, Wallingford, Connecticut
- October 14-16 -- ARRL Pacific Division Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/pacificon-2011>, Santa Clara, California
- October 21-22 -- ARRL West Gulf Division Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-gulf-division-convention-texoma-hamarama>, Ardmore, Oklahoma
- October 22 -- ARRL Iowa State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/iowa-state-convention-hamboree-2011>, Sergeant Bluff, Iowa
- November 6 -- ARRL Iowa Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/iowa-section-convention>, Davenport, Iowa
- November 19-20 -- ARRL Indiana State Convention

<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/indiana-state-convention-fort-wayne-hamfest-and
-computer-expo>,
Fort Wayne, Indiana
- December 3-4 -- ARRL West Central Florida Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-central-florida-section-convention-tampa-b
ay-hamfest-1>,
Palmetto, Florida

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960. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.amateur.*

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-07 06:05:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/recruitment-1-1317967500@panix.com>
Source record: 4200
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/recruitment
Revision: 1.2 2009/11/25 14:41:01
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/

Changes followed by "|".

The rec.radio.info newsgroup, first established in 1993, has been
recently revived by an active moderation team. We are currently seeking
suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.amateur.* (and currently archived
at http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/ ):

radio/personal-intro
Subject: Guide to the rec.radio Newsgroups
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 9 Nov 2001 06:18:17 GMT
Posting-Frequency: 15th of each month

One significant omission, requiring immediate updates, for this article |
is that it does not mention newer amateur radio newsgroups created since |
it was written, including: |

rec.radio.amateur.antenna |
rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors |
rec.radio.amateur.dx |
rec.radio.amateur.equipment |
rec.radio.amateur.homebrew |
rec.radio.amateur.moderated |
rec.radio.amateur.space |

We are willing to provide any technical support necessary to get this
article updated and automatically posted again at a regular interval.
This would include establishing contact with the original maintainer for
any necessary permissions. We would prefer to seek a new, dedicated
maintainer at this time, rather than start auto-posting the original
article ourselves.

For more information about our newsgroup, see:
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http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

961. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.swap

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-07 06:10:00 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/swap/recruitment-1-1317967800@panix.com>
Source record: 3951
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/swap/recruitment
Revision: 1.1 2007/09/29 18:42:57
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide

Changes followed by "|".

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suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.swap (and currently archived at
http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide/ ):

radio/swap-guide
Subject: Rec.radio.swap FAQ: A Guide to Buying and Selling on Usenet
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 6 Nov 2001 19:25:51 GMT
Posting-Frequency: Monthly

We are willing to provide any technical support necessary to get this
article updated and automatically posted again at a regular interval.
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any necessary permissions. We would prefer to seek a new, dedicated
maintainer at this time, rather than start auto-posting the original
article ourselves.

For more information about our newsgroup, see:

http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.
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962. WIANEWS for WEEK COMMENCING OCTOBER 9 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-07 08:40:32 UTC
From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
Message-ID: <9cda82a8-b008-490f-bfc2-0ff9fbcea26a@smxsrv01.vintek.net>
Source record: 3952
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2011-10-09.mp3
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WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING OCTOBER 9 2011.

ACMA Investigates Serious Interference on Amateur Bands

WIA DIRECTOR Trent Sampson VK4TI addresses members

MICROWAVE ACTIVITY DAYS COMING UP IN VK3/4/6

THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING OCTOBER 09 2011.

VK3 Centenary goes on air

For the month of November 2011 the special call sign VK100ARV will be well
sought after and qualifies toward the Amateur Radio Centenary Award.

This year is the 100th anniversary of the Amateur Wireless Society of
Victoria, formed in 1911, quickly changing its name to the Wireless
Institute of Victoria, and today is known as Amateur Radio Victoria.

A special QSL card is on offer. On the front it features defining words
capturing the spirit of the founding of the organisation and on the back a
gallery of Presidents and the information panel.

The Award certificate has a montage of the organisation over the decades.

For Australian stations a total of 100 points are required and DX stations 25 points.

Both the QSL card and certificate are worth obtaining for display and will show the Centenary logo.

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

A WHITE pointer shark sighting last month is the first off the Rockingham coast in VK6 since a fatal attack resulted in a monitoring station being installed at Warnbro Sound.

Authorities issued a warning after a 5m great white was spotted near Kwinana Power Station, movement was picked-up by a Department of Fisheries tracking station, 600m off the coast of Port Kennedy Foreshore Park.

20 listening posts are placed along the metropolitan coastline to monitor shark activity.

Now this newer deterrent to sharks may not be as great as first thought!

The project receivers do not detect sharks, they can only detect acoustic transmitters that have been attached to sharks. The officials say they can only detect up to 120 sharks that have been tagged!

Let's hope those 120 are the only "hungry ones!"

Carter Edwards, Sunday night host on the "Super Radio Network" across Australia had as a guest Jeff JOHNSON VK4XJJ at the completion of Jeff's Walk Across Australia.

(Snippet of Carter/XJJ interview)

If you have any spare cash laying around please think about making a deposit into the NETS account.

http://www.thankq.net.au/tq_community_netsa/PersonPage.aspx?Ref=P11557/1182

(Grahame O'Brien VK2FA)

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VK Advanced three letter call signs commencing with the letter "O" now available.

Previously that block had not been used because of a fear of confusion between the letter "O" and the numeral "0".

More on http://www.wia.org.au

Greetings Fellows I am Trent VK4TI the newest addition to the WIA board - I am based on the Sunshine Coast of Queensland about 100km north of Brisbane.

My amateur radio activities have almost always revolved around contesting and that is where my main interest in board activities will lie - to that end I have joined VK6POP on the boards push to improve the lot of Australian contests.

Part of the campaign is to establish better log checking and submission provisions for the Contest managers as the board realise this is a very onerous task and one that can be implemented through software - we are hoping this may be ready for 2012.

I must thank the board for thinking of me as a director and wonder what I can do to repay them for the role. I also am totally delighted in the number of my friends who have joined the WIA after my appointment -

Regards

Trent VK4TI

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news
Email Address : r_demkiw@yahoo.com.au

Hornsby and Districts Amateur Radio Club Incorporated.

This club offers a range of training and examination services for those wishing to obtain their Amateur Radio licence, or wish to upgrade.

Please contact the club, ideally via their website.

hadarc.org.au

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/
Police Roundup http://www.vicpolicenews.com.au/

AmateurLogic TV Episode 33

Still further raves about the World's First Amateur Radio Digital Amateur Television QSO Party from VK3RTV then telecast live worldwide as part of the Centenary celebrations for Amateur Radio Victoria.

Peter Berrett VK3PB has included some great footage from the ground-breaking event on the web TV show "AmateurLogic".

Peter is one of the shows regulars and took part in it all

just Google "AmateurLogic TV Episode 33"

VK4 - QNEWS
Send your stories for news. SCRIPT to qnews@wia.org.au
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Welcome to QNews from VK4WIA. I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP, and I've been thinking.

Technology has the effect of changing the interactions between people. The difference between walking, animal power and then machines such as trains saw a new mobility and knowledge of one's surrounds. The creation of written language, writing and the printing press changed the way information was spread.
Electronics enhanced the telegraph, telephone and we now have pocket computers called smart phones.

News and information, trivia and comment are available at a finger touch on a screen and the current generation of technology users take this for granted. Long gone is the pedal radio and the operator connected phone call.

It is becoming more apparent that the benefits of this new communications technology are less "Star Trek" and more adapting social standards to available technology. The growing use of instant comms demands exponential growth of infrastructure.

However, in the hobby domain we have a limited range of technologies with poor geographic distribution to serve the amateur population. Similarly the cost of hand held devices which will meld internment and telephone function is comparable with the brand name major smart phone.

For me, the question becomes will the potential radio hobbyist be able to forsake the sophistication of the commercial system with multiple apps, good available computing power and easy connectivity for the currently old and limited amateur radio service?

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think....how about you?

Cairns
www.carc.org.au
email carc@carc.org.au
Howard VK4BS President
07 4242 4711

Next Meeting Monday 7:30pm October Ten at Brothers Rugby League Club Cairns.

More News from North Queensland

IEEE Northern Australia Section invites you to attend a seminar on
Wednesday 12th October, noon at James Cook University.

Peter Herbert Senior Inspector of Mines (Electrical), Mackay District will lecture on ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING IN THE MINING INDUSTRY

The talk features the speakers experiences with what can go wrong and resulting impacts.

For further information contact -
Assoc. Prof. Mohan Jacob, Chairman IEEE NA Section.

Mohan.Jacob@jcu.edu.au

Hello again from Doug Friend VK4OE from the Brisbane VHF Group.

Well, the microwave test and tune-up day on the 25th of last month was a real blast! A great day was had by all who were there and you can find pictures of the event on the VK-Logger Forum, plus the VK4ADC website.

Now, the previously described, out-in-the-field, microwave activity day is approaching on Sunday the 23rd of October. (We've altered the date to make way for JOTA.) The VHF Group is encouraging as many folk as possible to activate as many any of the bands above 1 GHz as possible.

Many folk will remember the great day that the first of these operating days was last year. We're hoping that this one will be even better!
Weather permitting, there will be stations active at elevated locations, or from their homes, from various places around South-East Queensland.
Detail of these locations will be given in a later broadcast.

Commencement time should be around 10:00 a.m. and initial liaison should be on the Group's VK4RBN repeater on 147 MHz or on SSB on 144.150 MHz
Things should last as long as the fun lasts - several hours for sure!

There is no competition happening on that day - the aim of the day is to provide an opportunity for microwave QSOs to be made, as well as for newer microwave operators to improve their operating technique. Issues like pointing of antennas and knowing what frequency to tune to sound simple but out in the field, they can make or break successful contacts.

Weather permitting, it should be another day of great fun. And, if you are not yet a microwave operator, you can still go to one of the test locations so see what's going on and to possible whet your appetite for the exciting area of amateur microwave construction and operating!

If you are coming or are interested, please feel free to contact me on 07 3391 5526 or by e-mail (QRZ correct). Members of the Group look forward to meeting whoever will come to the 2011 microwave activity day.

This has been Doug Friend, VK4OE, from the Brisbane VHF Group.

VK6

Just a reminder that the WA VHF Group 2011 Spring Scramble is just days away on Sunday 16 October 2011.

The aim of the scramble is to contact as many different stations as possible, on as many bands, 6 metres or 50MHz and above, as possible.

As the Spring scramble coincides with the JOTA weekend, JOTA stations are very much welcome and encouraged to take part in the contest...!

The scramble will run for 2 hours between 10.30am & 12.30pm local time or 0230 - 0430 UTC. The contest is divided into 2 intervals of 1 hour each (i.e.: 1030-1130 WST and 1130- 1230 WST) with repeat contacts allowed in the second interval.

Double points are awarded for contacts with portable & country stations.

The scramble is primarily for FUN and works on the honour system.

Suggested Frequencies for the Scramble are:

6M: 50.200 MHz(SSB); 52.525 MHz & 53.5 MHz(FM)
2M: 144.100 MHz(SSB); 146.500MHz(FM)
70CM: 432.100 MHz(SSB); 439.000MHz(FM)
23CM: 1296.100 MHz(SSB); 1294.000MHz(FM)

The Spring Scramble Rules and a suggested log sheet are attached and also have been published on the WA VHF Group website (www.wavhfgroup.org.au)

Details for submitting completed log sheets are included at the bottom of the rules. Closing date for logs to be submitted to the Scramble Coordinator Rob VK6LD is Monday 31 October 2011 and results will be available for the WA VHF Group November 2011 Meeting.

If anyone has any queries or questions, please don't hesitate to contact Rob VK6LD

DISCUSSION POINT

What use is an f-call?

I've now had my foundation license just over 200 days.

If I had a dollar for every time I was asked: "When are you upgrading your license?" I'd be able to retire, well, at least eat out.

I'm unsure about the sentiment.

I understand when it's asked from a place of encouragement and improvement but often times it appears cloaked in the notion that an f-call is merely a stepping stone to a "real license".

Allow me make some observations.

If I had an advanced license and I decided to engage in QRP, low power broadcasting, then I'd get accolades for my ability to get to another station on the smell of an oily rag. If I built a magnificent antenna from scratch I'd get enquiries about the design and suggestions on improvements. If I came up with a particularly nice design for a power supply, or a filter for a generator, or any number of contributions, I'd be welcomed into the ranks of a "real amateur", whatever that might mean.

You might have noticed that I could have skipped the notion of needing an advanced license, because in fact, all of this can be done with a foundation license.

You may think that I am having a go at those who snigger about the f-wit license. That's not for me to say. Instead I'm trusting that if you hold an f-call, that you gain confidence in your skills and privileges and that over time you too will become a (quote) "real amateur".

When I learnt to fly, I visualised a bubble around the aircraft. Inside the bubble is safe, outside is certain disaster. As you manipulate the controls you might move around inside the bubble, or make it larger or smaller. Initially the bubble seemed infinite in size, but as experience was gained

the bubble shrunk.

It may well be that my experience in Amateur Radio can be described as a bubble, though probably not in terms of safe-and-disaster.

When my skills in Amateur Radio improve and increase, I might determine that the bubble that restricts the foundation license stops me from exploring into fields that I'd like to investigate.

Until that time, I'm perfectly happy with
my f-call. I'm proud to have it, honoured to be a member of the Amateur Radio community and pleased to be able to explore this landscape.

I'm Onno vk6flab

EDUCATION YOUTH AND ADVANCEMENT OF AMATEUR RADIO
www.hamcollege.com.au

Following the recent IARU Region 1 conference in South Africa, members societies were urged to appoint a Youth Coordinator.

At the last Irish committee meeting, Ger McNamara EI4GXB was appointed to the role.

Ger is seeking ideas from members on how to best generate interest in Amateur Radio among young people

A great idea from region 1 that our own region, maybe WIA should consider.

Galileo competition for 9-11 year olds

The UK Space Agency has announced an EU Commission drawing competition for children aged 9-11.

The winning entry from each EU member country will have one of the Galileo global navigation satellites named after them.

Galileo is the European Union's global satellite navigation system.

The first two Galileo satellites are scheduled for launch on October 20 and are named Natalia and This after the children winning the competitions in Bulgaria and Belgium.

The competition is now open to other European Union member countries.

UK Space Agency Galileo Drawing Competition press release
bis.gov.uk/ukspaceagency/news-and-events/2011/Sep/galileo-drawing-competition

UK Space Agency
http://www.bis.gov.uk/ukspaceagency/

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART and the WW sources of the WIA.

ARRL BRIEFS WHITE HOUSE ON AMATEUR RADIO'S CAPABILITIES DURING EMERGENCIES

September 12, at the invitation of White House Cyber security Coordinator Howard Schmidt, W7HAS, the ARRL briefed several members of the National Security Staff on the capabilities of the Amateur Radio Service to communicate in emergencies.

"The White House is looking for ways that the great work of Amateur Radio operators can continue to support emergencies in the future with particular attention to increased use and dependency on Internet-based technologies," W7HASt said.

The ARRL presentation, conducted by Emergency Preparedness Manager Mike Corey, W5MPC along with President Kay Craigie, N3KN, and Chief Executive Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ focused on Amateur Radio's current and evolving capabilities to provide Internet messaging connectivity

International support for RSGB-proposed 472 to 480kHz amateur radio band

For several years the RSGB has been very actively involved in preparations for the 2012 World Radio Congress, or WRC-12.

The work centres on creating a European Common Proposal, or ECP, for a secondary amateur allocation in the band 415 to 526.5kHz. Society representatives have been working with one of CEPT's project teams to secure a positive outcome on this, the only amateur radio-related agenda item.

The CEPT project team has approved a draft ECP for an 8kHz-wide band between 472 and 480kHz. This draft ECP now goes to CEPT's Conference Preparatory Group for formal ratification in November.

This breakthrough, at the 11th and final meeting of the project team, occurred with the submission by Ofcom of an RSGB-drafted compromise ECP proposal. Whilst the 8kHz band differs from that agreed by CITEL, a similar regional grouping of countries to CEPT but in the Americas, there is a 6kHz overlap.

Of course there is still some way to go, but the prospect of an agreed CEPT position is good progress, representing a 48 country block vote going into next year's WRC-12.

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

CQ PUBLISHING TO OFFER ALL MAGAZINES IN DIGITAL FORMAT

New York based hobby electronics publisher Richard Ross, K2MGA, has announced that his CQ Communications will launch multi-platform digital editions of all of its magazine titles before the end of 2011. These titles include CQ magazine, CQ VHF, Popular Communications and WorldRadio Online.

According to Editorial Director Rich Moseson, W2VU, the digital editions will supplement, not replace, current print editions, and will feature enhancements not possible in the print medium. Versions will be available for a variety of online and mobile platforms including PC, Mac, iPhone, iPad, Android 2.0 and higher.

Examples of features that will be possible in the digital world include live links to all World Wide Web addresses listed in each issue as well as supplemental content. This will include such additions as photo albums, audio and video files, software and more.

The digital editions of the CQ publications will be hosted by Zinio dot com. Zinio is one of the top names in the e-magazine publishing business. Moseson says that CQ's choosing of Zinio will assure that our magazines will always be able to take advantage of new technology when it becomes available.

The digital launch will begin in late October with the November issue of an enhanced, multi-platform, version of WorldRadio Online, which will again become a paid-subscription publication. This will be followed by the November CQ, which, appropriately, is the magazine's first annual Technology Special. The fall issue of CQ VHF and December issue of Popular Communications will round out the introductions.

Digital editions will be available by single copy and by subscription. Details will be in the near future in the magazines and on all CQ Communications websites. Moseson noted that many CQ book titles are already available in digital form on CD.

"THE FINAL LAUNCH" TEAM EFFORT CONTINUES

A follow up to a previous story about Special Event Station N4S that recently commemorated "The Final Launch" of America's Space Shuttle Program. This with the flight of Atlantis from the Kennedy Space Centre on mission STS-135.

It turns out that during its operation, N4S made 2,956 contacts world-wide and QSL requests are being processed. Several "QSL parties" by members of the North Brevard Amateur Radio Club are making progress in responding to all of those amateur radio operators requesting confirmation. More about this one is on-line at www.northbrevardamateurradioclub.com

The countdown has started on the Mediterraneo DX Club's DXpedition to Nepal. This operation is slated to begin on November 13th and run through the 25th. More information on this one is on-line at www.mdxc.org/nepal2011

COME AND JOIN US ON THE AIRWAVES - REVISITED

Now, the story of a music video about ham radio. It title is "Come and Join Us On The Airwaves" and it was written and performed by Andrew John Huddleston, OZ5E. Andrew, along with his wife Lissa Ladefoged, are country music devotees who live in Aarhus, Denmark, and are likely best known simply as The Ham Band. This, as a result of their 1994 CD of amateur radio related songs simply titled "Seek You."

About a decade ago, Andrew and Lissa produced a
ham radio video titled "Come And Join Us On the
Airwaves." The video features Andrew in a tuxedo
atop a 100 foot high tower and Lissa at the 60
foot level performing the song while un-corking a
bottle of Champaign. Unfortunately, when the
video was posted to YouTube, the technology of
the day did not do justice to the visual
content. Now with the advent of High Definition
video on the YouTube site, that has all changed:

OZ5E: "The original version of the video that we
uploaded to YouTube was actually quite good
quality. I would say medium quality. It was
viewed by about 18,000 people which I thought was quite impressive.

"And then the strangest thing happened. Some
other people; I think two or three other
individuals, have uploaded really low quality
versions of the video (with) the wrong aspect
ratio and rotten sound and these versions have
been viewed by no less than half a million
people. So we thought to put the High Definition
version out there so that people can see that our
(ham) radio station is a very, very pretty one."

Comparing the original posting to the new upload by Andrew using true 720p
high definition video is breathtaking. Especially when you look past the
singers on Andrew's tower and gaze at the splendour of the Danish countryside
where it was produced. It's so sharp and crystal clear that it's as close as
one can get to being there. You can experience the new Hi Definition
"Come And Join Us On The Airwaves" on YouTube.
Just use the shortcut of tinyurl.com/ham-song.

The groups website is in cyberspace at www.hamband.com

And less we forget to mention it, everyone seen on the tower was using safety
gear.

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WEIRD AND WONDERFUL

150th Birth Anniversary a Weird and Wonderful special station for the
inventor of--- wait for it--- BASKETBALL!

VA3AAR will be celebrating the 150th anniversary of the birth of
Dr. James Naismith, Almonte native, to honour the inventor of basketball
at the Mill of Kintail near his birthplace.

Frequencies: 14150 kHz +/- 5 kHz,
7250 kHz +/- 5 kHz,
3755 kHz.

Sunday, November 6, 2011, 24 hour operation 0000-2359 UTC

AK-47 first prize in Somali radio competition for kids

An Islamist-backed radio station in Somalia has awarded assault rifles and hand grenades to the winners of a children's Koran recital competition.

Radio Andalus, run by the al-Shabab rebel militia, said the first prize was an AK-47 and £450. The runner-up received an AK-47 and £320, while the child who came third received two F1 hand grenades and £250.

The three children also received religious books.

The Koran recital contest has been running for three years and in 2009, prizes included anti-tank mines, winners of that contest were between 17 and 20 year.

(sourced to Southgate amateur radio club news)

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2011

Oct 8- 9 OC Oceania DX Contest CW

Oct 16 VK6 WEST AUST VHF GROUP'S SPRING SCRAMBLE

Oct 22 WIA Jack Files Contest

Nov 26-27 WIA Spring VHF-UHF Field Day

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January VK Ross Hull Memorial VHF UHF Contest

March 17-18 VK JOHN MOYLE MEMORIAL FIELD DAY

June Long Weekend (vk4 time) VK Shires Contest.

July First full weekend NZART Memorial Contest

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

Help save the DX logs!

Bob, N2OO, from the QSL Manager Society, says,

"If anyone knows of any DX or DXpedition logs and blank cards that are in jeopardy of being trashed, PLEASE save them!

"If you are a QSL Manager and can't be bothered any more, PLEASE contact us!"

Contact the QSL Managers Society and they pledge to locate a quality replacement QSL Manager.

"Just because a DXpedition log is old does not mean that it is not worthy of being saved! Save DX Logs!"

Go to www.qsl.net/qslmanagers
or E-mail qslmanagers@qsl.net

DL8KX and DD8ZJ will be active as 9H3KX from Gozo Island between 8th and 14th October. Their operation will be on the HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL via DL8KX either direct or via by the bureau.

(rsgb)

Just a reminder for the prefix hunters that station LM9L40Y will be on the air until the end of December. This call is operated by members of the LA9L radio club in Norway and is to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the club.

"DX Code of Conduct"
Audio by John VK2JJW

I will listen, and listen, and then listen again before calling.

I will only call if I can copy the DX station properly.

I will not trust the DX cluster and will be sure of the DX station's call sign before calling.

I will not interfere with the DX station nor anyone calling and will never tune up on the DX frequency or in the QSX slot.

I will wait for the DX station to end a contact before I call.

I will always send my full call sign.

I will call and then listen for a reasonable interval. I will not call continuously.

I will not transmit when the DX operator calls another call sign, not mine.

I will not transmit when the DX operator queries a call sign not like mine.

I will not transmit when the DX station requests geographic areas other than mine.

When the DX operator calls me, I will not repeat my call sign unless I think he has copied it incorrectly.

I will be thankful if and when I do make a contact.

I will respect my fellow radio amateurs and conduct myself so as to earn their respect.

INTRUDER WATCH - ENFORCEMENT ZONE

Region III IARUMS Coordinator Peter Young VK3MV

VK IARUMS reflector email to subscribe intruders@wia.org.au

INTRUDER NETS
Friday 0730 UTC 7.065.5 with VK4CEU David.

Amateur exclusive frequencies where any non-amateur signal is definitely an intruder.

Amateur HF Spectrum world wide
7.050 to 7.100
14.000 to 14.250
14.250 to 14.350 No broadcasters
21.000 to 21.450

24.890 to 24.990
28.000 to 29.700

Signals from Batam radio stations affected Singapore flights

The Straits Times are reporting how Indonesian authorities have shut down 10 pirate stations, after pilots flying in and out of Changi Airport and Batam's Airport reported interference in communicating with air traffic controllers.

The pilots said they often heard songs aired from radio stations, especially during take-off and landings.

Radio frequency interference for flights over eastern parts of Johor Baru, neighbouring countries, including Indonesia. Countries were asked to seek help in detecting the source of the interference.

JOTA FREQUENCIES WORT HOLDING FOR OCT 16 WEEKEND EVENT.

http://www.scouts.com.au
http://www.scout.org/jota
http://www.international.scouts.com.au

CALLING FREQUENCIES
Please QSY off the calling frequency after establishing communication.

Australian voice calling frequencies:
3.650, 7.090, 14.190, 21.190, 28.590, 52.160

World CW calling frequencies:
3.570, 7.030, 14.060, 18.080, 21.140, 24.910, 28.180, 50.160

World voice calling frequencies:
3.690 & 3.940 MHz, 7.090 & 7.190, 14.290, 18.140, 21.360,
24.960, 28.390, 50.160

Calling frequencies for Slow Scan TV (SSTV):
3.630, 7.033, 14.227

Calling Frequencies for PSK31
14.070

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS - VHF AND ABOVE

VK3 Microwave Activity Day

Next Sunday October the 16th all the VK3 activity starts at 0830 (AEDT) which is 2130z.

This follows the successful activities over the last two Easters. It will be spearheaded by Michael Coleman VK3KH, perched portable at Arthur's Seat on the Mornington Peninsula, who welcomes visitors.

Any radio amateur with 23 cm capability is welcome to take part in the event. The band is the easiest in the microwave spectrum whether home-based or portable.

Activity will start at 0830 (AEDT) which is 2130z. The first hour and a half to focus on 1296 MHz, then progressing to the other bands. Liaison will occur on 144.150 MHz

You can contact Michael VK3KH at mdc@cranbournemusic.com.au

(vk3pc)

SOCIAL SCENE

2011

Oct 23 VK3 Hamvention Ballarat Sunday.

Nov 20 vk5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society Hamfest
Goodwood Community Centre, Rosa St Goodwood at 0930.
Visit www.ahars.com.au for contact details

2012

15TH IARU REGION 3 CONFERENCE hosted by V.A.R.C. in Ho-Chi-Minh City, Vietnam.

JAN 23-FEB 17 YEAR 2012
World Radio Conference WRC-11 Geneva 23rd January TO 17th February 2012

FEB 12 VK3 CentreVictoria Hamfest, Kyneton Racecourse

FEB 26 VK2 CCARC WYONG FIELD DAY

MAY 3-18 VK5 YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

JULY 14 VK4 Wide Bay Hamfest. West Maryborough Scout Hall

Nov 12 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST (ROSEBUD BY THE BAY)

FINAL FINAL

ACMA Investigates Serious Interference on Amateur Bands

Mark Loney, Executive Manager, Operations Branch of the ACMA has advised the WIA that the Operations Branch has been investigating interference to the Mt. Cottrel and Mt. Macedon repeaters as a result of complaints made by radio amateurs.

As a result of those investigations the ACMA applied to the Melbourne Magistrates Court for the issue of a search warrant under the Radiocommunications Act 1992. The application was successful and the search warrant was executed on premises in metropolitan Melbourne Wednesday 14 Sep. with the assistance of Victoria Police.

Mr. Loney advises that as this is an ongoing investigation, the ACMA is unable to provide further details.

The WIA President, Michael Owen VK3KI says that the WIA welcomes these compliance activities affecting the amateur community.

Mr Loney points out that the successful prosecution of individuals charged with causing serious interference on amateur bands depends heavily on the

willingness of amateurs to give evidence and to provide evidentiary statements to ACMA compliance staff.

The WIA encourages all amateurs to support the ACMA investigations.

Submitting news items

If you would like to submit news items for inclusion in the VK1WIA broadcasts, please email your item in text to nationalnews@wia.org.au

to submit audio read "how to submit items" in the weekly news page on wia.org.au

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being broadcast in the very next edition of WIA National News.

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Vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
http://lists.wia.org.au/mailman/listinfo/vk1wia-news

963. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1782 - October 7 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-07 09:00:13 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20111007090004.65A2733C91@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3953
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1782 - October 7 2011

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1782 with a release date of
Friday, October 7th, 2011 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. The FCC unveils some new sky-high plans for
emergencies; Missouri hams called out when a communications cable is
cut; the ARRL breiefs the White House about the work of hams in
emergency communications and keep your eyes on the sky for two more
de-orbiting birds. Find out which ones on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm)
report number 1782 coming your way right now.

(Billboard Cart Here)

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RESCUE RADIO: FCC STUDY ON FUTURE QUICK DEPLOYMENT EMCOMM RELEASED

The Federal Communications Commission is looking at ways to take
emergency communications to new heights. In this case we mean altitude
above mean sea level. Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP, has
the details:

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The FCC has released a study detailing some possible steps to insure
reliable communications for first responders in times of natural or
man-made disaster or any form of communications crisis.

Technologies mentioned include small unmanned aerial vehicles that fly
to an altitude of 500 feet and support a single frequency band for
cellular services.

Also being looked at are weather balloons acting as repeaters to carry
multiple frequencies longer distances, high-altitude, long-distance
unmanned vehicles providing a greater payload at specific locations and
suitcase systems placed on low-flying aircraft to be used as repeaters.

The release outlines a few specifics on the potential uses of
Deployable Aerial Communications Architecture or DACA. The DACA could
be deployed within 12 to 18 hours following a disaster. Its minimum
goal would be to restore necessary lines of communication for a period
of 72 to 96 hours.

The release says that the system would restore cellular services for
wireless priority service, Government Emergency Telecommunications
Services, and 911 as well as public safety communications.

The paper notes the required cooperation of FEMA, the FAA and federal, state and local authorities on the coordination of spectrum usage and prevention of interference to and from a Deployable Aerial Communications Architecture system.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm, Norm Seeley, KI7UP, watching the developments in this emerging technology from Scottsdale, Arizona.

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A link to the FCC overview page that contains further links is at tinyurl.com/FCC-DACA (FCC, RW)

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RESCUE: CUT TELECOM CABLE ACTIVATES ARES IN BENTON COUNTY MISSOURI

According to news reports, the Benton County Missouri Amateur Radio Emergency Services was called in to provide communications support early in September. This, after a cut telecommunications cable isolated the Johnson County 911 Center in the town of Warrensburg.

The Benton County hams worked with their counterparts in Johnson County quickly establishing reliable communications so that 911 calls could be handed off to Warrensburg officials for dispatch. About 15 calls were transferred and the amateur radio operators handled. At least one was of life-critical situation.

Radio amateurs remained on duty at their respective centers, until the local telephone company fixed the cable problem at 9:30 AM the next day, said Johnson County Emergency Management Director Gloria Michalski, who referred to the operators as "awesome."

The Benton County ARES group is made up of 14 active volunteers. Hey all donate their time, use their personal equipment and pay their own expenses to serve where needed. They often coordinate their efforts with the Emergency Management Center in Warsaw, Missouri. Yiu can read the entire story of this ham radio emergency response at tinyurl.com/missouri-ares-response. (W6RH, Benton County Enterprise)

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ARRL BRIEFS WHITE HOUSE STAFF ON AMATEUR RADIO'S CAPABILITIES DURING EMERGENCIES

The ARRL has gone to Washington, once again. This time at the invitation of White House Cybersecurity Coordinator Howard A. Schmidt, W7HAS.

On September 12th, the ARRL briefed several members of the National Security Staff on the capabilities of the Amateur Radio Service to communicate in emergencies. According to Schmidt, the White House is looking for ways that the work of Amateur Radio operators can continue to support emergencies in the future with particular attention to increased use and dependency on Internet-based technologies.

The ARRL presentation was conducted by Emergency Preparedness Manager Mike Corey, W5MPC along with President Kay Craigie, N3KN, and Chief Executive Officer Dave Sumner, K1ZZ. It focused on Amateur Radio's current and evolving capabilities to provide Internet messaging connectivity. (ARRL)

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WORLDBEAT: NETHERLANDS BECOMES PRO-ACCTIVE TO STOP NON CERTIFIED TRANSMITTERS FROM ENTERING THAT NATION

The Netherlands will soon be a rather unfriendly place for those wanting to bring non-certified radio transmitting gear into that nation.

According to Media Network, the Dutch Radiocommunications and the Dutch Customs Agencies have pledged to cooperate in tackling the trade of illegal broadcasting equipment in Europe. The goal of this collaboration is to stop at the border the import of transmitters that do not comply with European regulations.

Through cooperation with Customs the plan is to prevent these transmitters entering the Netherlands, or being marketed and used elsewhere in Europe. Once in Europe, there is freedom of movement of goods between European Union member states, so other countries are also working intensively with their respective customs authorities.

There is also a close watch on devices being sold on the Internet. The Dutch Radiocommunications Agency says that it is working with eBay and the nations domestic site Marktplaats to counter the trade of what it terms as hazardous transmitters. It also is cooperating with the supervisory authorities of other European Union member states, the United States and Canada in this area.

The agency says that this proactive approach is more effective than enforcement actions against retailers later when the transmitting devices already for sale. (Media Network, RadioMagazine.nl)

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WORLDBEAT: GREECE'S NATIONAL SOCIETY GETS 5 MHZ PERMIT

The Greek Ministry of Communication has given authorization to the headquarters club station of the Greek national amateur radio society for use a single frequency in the 60 meter band. SZ1SV is being permitted to operate on 5398.5 kHz using SSB, CW and Digital with a maximum power of 100W PEP. The national society says that it hopes to have a beacon on this frequency soon.

The latest 60 meter amateur radio information world-wide can be found on-line in the 5 MHz Newsletters. Its in cyberspace at tinyurl.com/6fkhcmf (G4MWO, Southgate)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the W3BN repeater of the Reading Amateur Radio Club serving Reading Pennsylvania.

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ENFORCEMENT: $15000 NAL REDUCED TO $450 FOR NEW ORLEANS AREA CB OPRERATOR

A New Orleans area CB operator has had a proposed $15,000 fine reduced to $450. This after appealing the initial Notice of Apparent Liability back to the FCC. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, is here with more:

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Last June 7th the FCC Enforcement Bureau's New Orleans Office issued the $15,000 Notice of Apparent Liability to one John Hays of Bourg, Louisiana..this for allegedly operating his Citizens Band transmitter without the requisite Commission authorization.

As discussed in detail in the NAL, the proposed fine was issued after it was determined that despite verbal and written warnings by agents of the New Orleans Office, Hays continued the unlicensed and overpowered operation of a CB transmitter attached to a linear amplifier from his place of residence.

In his response, Hays acknowledged to the FCC that this was a very serious matter and he had not taken it lightly. He also stated he had made the changes to his station to bring it into compliance with the Commission's rules.

At the same time Hays requested cancellation or reduction of the proposed forfeiture because he lives solely on social security benefits and as a result he could not afford to pay the proposed $15,000 fine. He also supplied the FCC with the required documentation to show that it would be a severe hardship to pay the full amount.

After reviewing Hays appeal, the FCC concluded that the forfeiture should be reduced to $450. This, it said, was an amount within the range determined by the regulatory agency to be affordable by Hays. And as the fictional Captain Luc Piccard of Star Trek - The Next Generation might say in a situation such as this, the FCC made it so.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, way out West in Los Angeles.

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As you likely have guessed, Hays was given the customary 30 days to pay the now very much reduced fine. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: TEN INDONESIAN BROADCASTERS ORDERED OFF THE AIR DUE TO INTERFERENCE TO AIRCRAFT COMMUNICATIONS

Several non-government radio stations have been shut down in Indonesia. This due to safety concerns at two major airports. Amateur radio Newsline's Jim Damron, N8TMW, has the details:

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Indonesia's Communications and Information Ministry, through the Batam office of the Satellite Orbit and Radio Frequency Monitoring Agency has banned 10 licensed private radio stations in the city of Batam. This, for impacting on flight safety at Changi Airport in Singapore and Hang Nadim Airport in Batam.

Agency head Muhammad Sopingi told The Jakarta Post that the ministry's Directorate General of Post and Telecommunications had received letters of complaint in June from the Singapore and Hang Nadim Airport flight authorities about a radio communication interruption between pilots and air traffic controllers. This was found to be caused by what the regulatory agency called the frequency synchronization problems caused by the radio stations in Batam. During takeoffs and landings, pilots often heard songs aired from radio stations rather than air traffic guidance from from controllers and making for a dangerous situation to life and property.

Sopingi told the newspaper that a study is being conducting on whether it is feasible for any or all of the stations to return to the air after the technical difficulties have been worked out.

I'm Jim Damdon, N8TMW, reporting.

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According to Media Network, some 200 employees of the 10 stations have already lost their jobs as a result of the closures. (Media Network)

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RESCUE RADIO: STORM ALERT XTREME TRAINING CLASS NOV. 12 IN BIRMINGHAM ALABAMA

If you are a ham radio operator in Alabama and involved in emergency communications, listen up. The annual ABC 33/40 storm spotter training known as Storm Alert Xtreme, is coming to the Birmingham Jefferson Civic Center on Saturday November 12th.

Brian Peters, WD4EPR, who has qualified over 6,000 Alabama storm spotters during his days with the National Weather Service, will be doing the instruction. All existing Skywatchers are asked to attend for their annual "re training", and anyone that wants to join the team needs to be there as well.

This severe weather training event is free, and there is no need to pre-register. Planners think that because of the massive tornado outbreak last April 27th that they may easily top their record turnout of last year.

Also, those who do attend will be given free entrance into the Alabama International Auto Show after the training at the same venue. The planners of Storm Alert Xtreme say that this is being made possible thanks to the Birmingham Automobile Dealers Association.

Again, the date for this free severe weather training class for residents of Alabama is Saturday, November 12th, at the Birmingham Jefferson Civic Center. Planners say that they hope to see you there. (WO4W via Facebook)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: CQ ANNOUNCES ADDITIONAL PLAQUES FOR CQ DX MARATHON

An expansion in the number of the CQ Magazine-sponsored DX Marathon plaques to be awarded each year has been made public by that publication. Starting with the announcement of the 2011 Marathon results in the June 2012 issue, additional plaques will be awarded for top CW and top SSB scores, top single band scores, and top continental scores.

The CQ DX Marathon is a year-long activity encouraging DXing on the HF bands. Competition begins anew each January 1st. Details are available on the CQ magazine website at www.cq amateur-radio.com and on the DX Marathon at www.dxmarathon.com.

Also, an additional sponsor for top Digital Mode score is still being sought. Please contact DX Marathon Administrator John Sweeney, K9EL, via e-mail to k9el (at) dxmarathon (dot) com if you wish to sponsor this plaque. (CQ)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: 2011 CQWW DX CONTEST WEBINAR OCTOBER 9

The Potomac Valley Radio Club will once again host an online webinar with the CQ World Wide DX Contest committee. This year's event is on Sunday, October 9th at 19:00 UTC and free and open to the entire contest community.

Taking part in this years webinar will be CQ World Wide DX Contest Director Bob Cox K3EST along with committee members John Dorr, K1AR and Doug Zwiebel, KR2Q. The three will provide an update on the 2011 CQ World Wide SSB and CW DX contests. A question and answer session will follow their presentation.

To register for this event please take your web browser to tinyurl.com/CQDX-2011-Webinar and fill out the on-line form. A link to the registration form is also available at www.pvrc.org. (K4ZW via QRZ.com)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: ECWARC - AMBASSADORS OF CW

The United Kingdom's Essex CW Amateur Radio Club continues to try and connect with more members via local clubs. To this end Essex is looking to appoint so-called Ambassadors for the CW mode to as many clubs as possible to disseminate and gather news of interest to Morse operators.

The Essex CW Amateur Radio Club describes itself as a group for anyone with a passion for Morse Code. Although the founders were from Essex in Great Britain, members are welcome from anywhere in the United Kingdom and world-wide. More information is at the club website at www.essexcw.org.uk. You can also follow this group on Twitter with the I.D. of @ecwarc (RSGB, Southgate)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: NEWSLINE AT PACIFICON - A HAM RADIO TOWN MEETING

And less we forget to mention, on Saturday, October 15th Amateur Radio Newsline will be hosting another of its popular Amateur Radio Town Meetings. This one is titled "A Peak Into the Future: Amateur Radio in the Year 2111." Scheduled guests include Nobel Laureate Joe Taylor K1JT, IARU Secretary Rod Stafford W6ROD, ARRL Washington attorney Chris Imlay W3KD and communications planner Dave Witkowski W6DTW. The session will take place from 1 to 3 p.m. Pacific time in Meeting Room D and E at the Marriott Santa Clara Hotel in Santa Clara, California. We hope to see you there. More is on-line at pacificon.org. (ARNewsline)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: RALPH HOGAN ELECTED NEW SBE PRESIDENT

Some names in the news. The Society of Broadcast Engineers has inducted new officers and honored its founder and first member John Battison. This, during the national membership meeting on Wednesday, September 28th in Columbus, Ohio.

SBE General Counsel Chris Imlay, W3KD, swore in Ralph Hogan as the organization's new president. Hogan replaces outgoing president Vinny Lopez who has served in that position the past two years.

The Society of Broadcast Engineers or SBE is a professional organization for engineers in broadcast radio and television. It also offers certification in various radio frequency and audio technology areas for its members.

Next year's SBE national meeting will be in Denver, Colorado. (RW, others)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: KI4DS ANNOUNCES NEW D-STAR NET FOR YOUNG HAMS

Nine year old Mikaila Williams, KI4DS, of Deltona, Florida, has announced the start-up of a new D-Star net for youngsters. The gathering, called the Kids in Amateur Radio Net will take place every Friday night at 9 P.M. Eastern time on D-Star Reflector 12C. The host organization is the California-based Pocket Autopatch Association better known as the Papa System.

Mikaila says that discussions on the net will be mainly about getting youth interested in amateur radio and getting them licensed. According to Mikaila, those young hams that do not have D-Star access will be able to check in via email to KI4DS (at) KidsInAmareurRaido (dot) net. She adds that the net will also be available to SWL's and others on Radioreference.com.

Her first net was to be held on October 7th and will be weekly thereafter. (KI4DS via e-mail)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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REPEATER NEWS: VA3XPR - THE NEW VOICE OF DOWNTOWN TORONTO CANADA

Since repeaters tend to come and go, we do not usually report on their birth or demise unless they represent something special. And in the case of a new system in Canada, one could say that its license holder is pioneering a new aspect in ham radio relay communications.

On September 25th, a new voice with the call VA3XPR was added to the Amateur Radio community of downtown Toronto, Canada. What sets this repeater apart from others in the greater Toronto area is its unique purpose that might be best described a very local coverage system. While most system owners tend to find the highest spot and cover as many miles as is possible, Don Trynor, VA3HFT, decided to create a system with three simple objectives in mind. According to Trynor's posting on QRZ.com, these are to create a sense of community and promote diversity within the St. James Town and adjacent neighborhoods of Toronto; to act as a catalyst for education and learning promoting the growth of amateur radio; and to provide an alternate means of communications in the event of an emergency or natural disaster in the downtown Toronto area.

If you live in or near Toronto or are passing through, the VA3XPR repeater can be accessed on 441.950 with a positive offset and with a PL tone of 100.0 Hz. In addition to its excellent coverage area, it also provides its users with access to IRLP and Echolink for global

communications. For more information on the VA3XPR repeater, please visit www.qrz.com/db/va3xpr (VA3XFT, QRZ.com)

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RADIO IN SPACE: ROSAT EXPECTED TO FALL FROM THE SKY IN NOVEMBER

The next major bird to fall from orbit will likely be the Roentgen X-Ray Observation Satellite better known by the acronym ROSAT.

At the start of its mission, ROSAT was in an elliptical orbit at distances of between 585 and 565 kilometres above the surface of the Earth. Since then, atmospheric drag has caused the satellite to lose altitude. Last June it was at a distance of only about 327 kilometres above the ground.

As was the case with UARS, The time and location of re-entry of ROSAT cannot be predicted precisely. Right now scientists and astronomers expect the X-ray satellite to re enter in early November. At present, this date can only be calculated to within plus or minus five weeks. This time slot of uncertainty will be reduced as the date of re-entry approaches. However, even one day before re-entry, the estimate will only be accurate to within plus/minus five hours.

ROSAT was an orbital X-Ray observatory making observations at that very high wavelength and radioing the data back to Earth. You can keep up with the latest information on its upcoming firey demise at tinyurl.com/another-falling-bird (KC6WFS, ROSAT Website)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: AMSAT ISSUES ARRISAT-1 CHICKEN LITTLE CONTEST REMINDER

And not to be left out of the proverbial sky is falling arena, AMSAT says that it is still looking for entries in its latest Chicken Little Contest. This to calculate or guess when ARISSat-1 falls out of orbit.

According to AMSAT this is defined as the moment that the decaying orbit of ARISSat-1 it crosses an altitude of 78 kilometers. This is considered to be the point of no return back into space.

AMSAT has created three categories in its contest. First is a student category for Kindergarten through 8th grade. Next is a second student category for high school grades 9 through 12 while the third is for everyone else.

Submissions must contain the UTC date in the format of day, month, year, hours, minutes and seconds along with your personal contact information. Adults and individual students should include their name and amateur call sign, if they have the latter. Submissions are limited to one per person or group. The closest predictions in each category will be recognized for their achievement.

The ARISSat-1 Chicken Little Contest closes on October 15th at 23:59 UTC. Send your submissions by e-mail to chickenlittle (at) arissat1 (dot) org. (ANS)

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ON THE AIR: CELEBRATING ARMENIA'S 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF INDEPENDENCE

To celebrate the 20th anniversary of the independence of Armenia, amateur radio special event stations there have been authorized to use the special prefix E-K-20. A special award is being offered to those working at least 20 QSO's or making 20 SWL loggings of these special event stations on allof whom will be operating on the various High Frequency bands including 30, 17 and 12 meters. Modes in used will be CW, SSB and Digital. QSLs for these special prefixes may be sent to: P.O.Box 22, Yerevan, Armenia 0002, or as directed on the air. An electronic version that you can print at home is available by sending a log extract of the contacts or reception reports to ek7dx (at) yahoo (dot) com. (Southgate)

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In down to Earth DX news, DL3OCH will be active as 5N7Q from Abuja, Nigeria, through October 15th. His operation will be on 40 through 10 meters using one of the largest fully rotatable short wave broadcast antennas in the world. It has a gain of over 20 dbi on all bands. Modes are CW and SSB. QSL via DF8DX.

Members of the Lufthansa Amateur Radio Club in cooperation with the Qatar Amateur Radio Society will be operational as A71DLH between October 22nd to the 29th. Their activity will be on all bands using CW, SSB and the Digi modes. QSLs via the DARC Bureau or their QSL Manager DL0LH.

W5JON will again be operating as V47JA from his vacation home located at Calypso Bay on St. Kitts, in the West Indies. This from October 10th until November 5th. John's His QTH is 300 feet from the Caribbean Sea in Grid: FK87. Activity will be on 80 through 6 meters including 60 meters running SSB only. Also listen out for him during the CQ World Wide SSB contest on October 29th and 30th. QSL to W5JON either direct or electronically using Logbook of the World.

F4FOO will be active as 5V7MA from Togo between December 19th and January 4th. Operations will be limited to his free time on 20 through 10 meters on SSB only. QSL via his home callsign.

Lastly, with the addition of the Republic of South Sudan to the DXCC list, CQ magazine has also added that nation as a qualifying entity for the 2011 DX Marathon. An updated score sheet dated 2011.4 and updated CQ Country Lists are now available on the DX Marathon web site at www.dxmarathon.com.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: NASA SWIFT SPACECRAFT SEES STAR EATING BLACK HOLE

And finally this week, astronomers say that a monster sized black hole shredded a sun-like star, producing a strangely long-lasting flash of gamma rays that probably won't be seen again in a million years. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, takes it from here:

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According Joshua Bloom of the University of California Berkeley, the inter-stellar happening was first seen on March 28th by NASA's Swift spacecraft, which is searching the universe for gamma ray bursts. This particular flash has lasted more than two months and is still going on as we go to air.

In a recent media interview, Bloom explained that this is definitely not the norm for gamma ray bursts. Those are energetic blasts that typically flare up and end in a matter of seconds even or milliseconds, and often the sign of the death throes of a collapsing star.

What makes this even stranger is that the black hole, located in the constellation Draco about 4 billion light years from Earth, was sitting quietly when a star about the mass of our Sun moved into range. Bloom noted that this was a black hole which was otherwise quiescent and suddenly had an impulsive feeding frenzy on this one star.

Thanks to the Swift spacecraft, data on this very rare space phenomenon which otherwise have gone un-noticed was discovered radioed back to Earth.

>From the newsroom in Los Angeles, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, reporting

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Researcher Bloom figures this type of inter-stellar encounter may happen once per black hole every one million years. (Science OnLine)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Jim Davis, W2JKD, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 9th October 2011

The news headlines:

* RSGB announces Extraordinary General Meeting

* 5MHz station in Greece

* ISS astronaut to join in Jamboree on the Air

The Society has announced that it will be convening an Extraordinary General Meeting on 19 November 2011. The meeting will allow members the opportunity to comment on proposals to address issues surrounding the governance of the Society. Full details will be in the November issue of RadCom, but the editorial from that issue has been pre-released and can be read on the RSGB website, www.rsgb.org.

After three years of negotiation the Radio Amateur Association of Greece has been given permission for its headquarters club station, SZ1SV, to use the channel centred on 5400kHz. SZ1SV is permitted to use 5398.5 to 5401.5kHz for SSB, CW and digital modes, with a maximum power of 100W. Since the permission is based upon propagation studies, the Greek association is planning to operate a beacon, somewhat similar to our own 5MHz chain, when the station is not being used for contacts. The RSGB has been working closely with Manos, SV1IW, President of the Radio Amateur Association of Greece, on their planned usage of this channel for beaconing, so that this can exist alongside our and others usage of the channel for QSOs. Plans for the beacon have yet to be finalised, but it will likely operate every 15 minutes, with an alternating CW and PSK31/PSK63 identifier. The beacon may be capable of being remotely switched as a further measure to minimise interference to other users of the channel.

This year's Jamboree On The Air takes place on 15 and 16 October. NA1SS, which is the International Space Station, is going to be on the air throughout the JOTA weekend. Astronaut Mike Fossum, KF5AQG, who is also a Scoutmaster, is going to be on the air during breaks from his work schedule. He should be available on most of the passes around the world. The uplink is 145.200MHz and the downlink is 145.800MHz, both plus and minus Doppler shift as the ISS passes overhead. Within this year's JOTA, an emergency communications exercise will take place on Saturday, 15 October in the afternoon, European time zone. This simulated emergency test will include the Headquarters station, HB9S, of the World Organization of the Scout Movement, which will be operated

by amateurs from five different countries.

The MM0RAI/P Rockall DXpedition was a success. The amateurs managed to land on the rock, IOTA reference EU-189, and set up the station. Operation started on 1 October at 1545UTC and they stopped transmitting on 2 October at 0652UTC. Online logs will be available soon. For more information, including photographs, check out the website at www.rockall.be.

India's latest amateur radio satellites, SRMSAT and JUGNU, are now at the Indian Space Research Organisation spaceport at Sriharikota, ready to launch on 12 October. VU2WMY says he used an AMSAT- UK FUNcube Dongle SDR to receive telemetry from SRMSAT and JUGNU during environmental tests. Bletchley Park Trust has been granted 4.6 million pounds from the Heritage Lottery Fund towards the regeneration of Bletchley Park. The investment will enable the restoration of iconic Codebreaking Huts 1, 3 and 6, and create a world-class visitor centre and exhibition in the currently derelict Block C as soon as £1.7 million in match funding has been raised. Not only will this development allow the conservation of buildings of highly significant heritage value, it will considerably improve the educational offering and visitor experience at Bletchley Park.

The next Advanced revision course run by the Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society starts on Thursday 27 October. This short revision course is aimed at those who have already studied at home or elsewhere. It will be held on Thursday evenings between 7 and 9pm at Danbury Village Hall from 27 October to 1 December. The exam will be held on Monday, 5 December. For more details on this or the other CARS training courses speak to Clive, G1EUC, on 01245 224 577.

Entries for the Lifeboat Amateur Radio Society's annual SOS Radio Week are now being accepted. SOS Radio Week 2012 is nine days of sponsored operating from 21 to 29 January. It is open to individuals, groups and clubs. Participants can operate from home, their club HQ, the local shopping centre, a Lifeboat Station, in fact anywhere they like. There's no minimum time you need to dedicate, just as much time as you can spare. All money raised goes to the RNLI. In the past two years, amateur radio operators taking part in SOS Radio Week have raised over £7,200. If you'd like to take part, please register on the website, www.sosradioweek.org.uk.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

Today, 9 October, the Autumn Militaria & Electronics & Radio Amateur Hangar Sale takes place at Hack Green Secret Nuclear Bunker, Nantwich, Cheshire, CW5 8AL. Doors open at 10am and admission is £2.50. There will be civil, military and vintage radio equipment plus vehicle spares and more. Contact Rod Siebert on 01270 623 353.

On Sunday 16 October the Blackwood and District ARS Rally takes place at Coleg Gwent, Risca Road, Cross Keys, NP11 7ZA. Doors open at 10.40

and admission is £2. There will be trade stands, special interest groups and a Bring & Buy. More details from Dave, GW4HBK on 01495 228 516.

The Hornsea Amateur Radio Club Rally takes place on 16 October at the Floral Hall, 7 The Esplanade, Hornsea, East Yorkshire, HU18 1NQ. Doors open at 10am. There will be trade stands, a Bring & Buy as well as special interest groups. Details from Rick, M0CZR by e-mail to R106221@aol.com.

Now for the news of special events

Bedford and District Amateur Radio Club will be operating GB4BMA from Broham Mill on National Apple Day, 16 October.

There will be many special event stations on the air for JOTA on 15 and 16 October. The October RadCom contains a list of over 20 special event stations that have issued for the event. And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

DJ7RJ will be operating as FR/DJ7RJ from Reunion Island, which is IOTA reference AF-016, until 26 October. He will operate CW and SSB on 160 to 10 metres, with a focus on the low bands, using a 500 watt amplifier into an inverted L antenna. QSL via his home callsign, direct or via the bureau.

IZ4AMS/P will be active from Tinetto Island, IOTA reference EU-083, from 9 to 10 October. He will be using the 80, 40 and 20 metre bands. QSL via his home callsign.

After just four days, the T32C DXpedition has passed the 50,000 QSO milestone. It has turned out to be something of an unplanned Field Day style operation and they now have no expectations of the container of equipment arriving while they are on Christmas Island. Instead, the team hand-carried just over one metric tonne of equipment to the island. They are extremely grateful to all those who loaned equipment at short notice to help enable the DXpedition to take place and be successful. They will continue to make regular updates on the website and Michael, G7VJR will no doubt update Twitter while he is there. The online log on ClubLog is getting a very high hit rate and they are uploading logs twice a day, at 7am and 7pm local time. More information at www.t32c.com.

Now the contest news

Tuesday 11 October sees the 432MHz UK Activity Contest take place from 1900 to 2130UTC. Using all modes, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The 80m Club Sprint takes place on 12 October from 1900 to 2030UTC. Using CW, the exchange is serial number and name.

The second 50MHz contest takes place on 16 October from 0900 to 1200UTC. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number

and locator.

And now the solar factual data for the period from the 26th of September to the 2nd of October, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on the 3rd of October.

First, before a busy period to report, the latest smoothed monthly sunspot numbers. For December 2010, January and February 2011 they are 28.8, 31.0 and 33.4 respectively.

A couple of large groups dominated the solar disc during the period and were responsible for the eight M class solar flares that took place. Other groups were visible but were small and quiet. Numerous C class solar flares took place every day. Sudden ionospheric disturbances and coronal mass ejections accompanied some of the larger solar flares. Solar flux levels declined slightly from 148 units on the 26th to 131 units by the 2nd. The average was 138 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 2nd was 112 units, that's four units up on last week. X-ray flux levels declined from C1.4 units on the 26th to B3.8 units by the 28th, though a small increase was made by the end of the period. The average was B5.6 units. Geomagnetic activity started at quiet levels on the 26th, but around midday a coronal mass ejection arrived and shortly after a major storm was in progress. Two of the 3 hourly Kp indices reached 8 later that day. The storm continued until the afternoon of the 29th. The only quiet days were the 30th and the 1st when the Ap index of 8 and 9 units were recorded respectively. The average was Ap 23 units. That's the highest weekly average since December 2006. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds increase rapidly from 320 kilometres per second to 700 as the disturbance arrived on the 26th. Speeds then erratically declined to 420 kilometres per second by the 2nd. Particle densities reached 38 particles per cubic centimetre on the 26th, otherwise densities were low. Bz fluctuated between minus 30 and plus 28 nanoTeslas on the 26th and between minus and plus 5 nanoTeslas on the quietest day. MUFs dropped sharply &#65533; though, as suggested in last week's report, there were also periods when HF propagation was enhanced. Many auroral contacts were made on 6, 4 and 2 metres, at least as far south as the south coast.

And now the solar forecast. The present level of solar activity looks set to continue. Solar activity should be at least moderate on some days with a slight chance that activity could increase to high on the occasional day. Solar flux levels should be around the 120's. That figure is a guide and could be lower with a quiet Sun or higher with an active Sun. Geomagnetic activity should be at active levels today due to the effects of a coronal hole, but as in recent weeks a coronal mass ejection could arrive on any day this week. If, however, none arrive, then activity should be quiet for the rest of the week. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 30MHz for the south and 27MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be around 10MHz. As always these figures are based on quiet geomagnetic levels and will be

somewhat lower if activity increases. Now a look at the predications for the low frequency bands to the T32C DXpedition to Christmas Island in the Pacific Ocean. Top Band will be very difficult to work but the best time will be around 0400 and 0630. The best time on 80 metres will between 0530 and 0630 but may be open an hour before and after that on the better days. Unlike Top Band and 80 metres, which will need the path in total darkness, 40 metres could be worked with a longer window for at least up to an hour after sunrise. The best times will be between 0400 and 0830 with a peak around 0530. All times are UTC.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your

transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS On Sunday 9 October Midland Amateur Radio Society is at the RSGB Convention. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003.

On Sunday 9 October South Birmingham Radio Society is at the RSGB Convention. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Monday 10 October Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is holding a DF hunt. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Monday 10 October South Birmingham Radio Society is painting the shack and doing other renovation work. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Monday 10 October Stratford Upon Avon District Radio Society is having a talk on transceiver remote control by Jon, G4URH. Contact G0CHO, on 01608 664 488.

On Monday 10 October Sutton Coldfield Amateur Radio Society is holding a general meeting with discussions and is on the air. More information from Robert Bird, by email to spirit.guide@hotmail.co.uk.

On Tuesday 11 October Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 11 October Forest of Dean Amateur Radio Group is having a talk on mobile phone forensics by Nick Gleed. Details on 01594 549110.

On Tuesday 11 October Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its AGM, starting at 8pm prompt. More information from Chris,

G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Tuesday 11 October Mid-Warwickshire Amateur Radio Society is having a homebrew and construction evening. Details from Don, G4CYG, on 01926 424 465.

On Tuesday 11 October Worcester Radio Amateurs Association is holding an equipment and rig tune up night. Details from Rich Moles, M0UVA, via email to secretary@m0zoo.co.uk.

On Wednesday 12 October Midland Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting and training classes. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003. On Wednesday 12 October Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is looking at DIY measurements. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday 13 October Salop Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. Details on the club website at www.salop-ars.org.uk.

On Thursday 13 October South Birmingham Radio Society is having training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Friday 14 October Coventry Amateur Radio Society is holding its AGM. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

On Friday 14 October South Birmingham Radio Society is having a construction evening. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Friday 14 October Worcester Radio Amateurs Association commences its weekend event for JOTA at Kinver Scout and Guide camp ground. Details from Rich Moles, M0UVA, via email to secretary@m0zoo.co.uk.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND On Sunday 9 October Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is holding an Advanced examination. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Monday 10 October Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Monday 10 October Bolton Wireless Club is having an activity night plus members' show and tell evening. For details, send an email to boltonwireless@gmail.com.

On Monday 10 October Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on making your own equipment by Peter Day, G3PHO. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 10 October Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is holding its AGM, starting at 8pm prompt. Details on the web at www.tcars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 11 October Chester & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. Details from Barbara Green on 07957 870 770.

On Tuesday 11 October Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club meeting. Contact Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341 317.

On Wednesday 12 October Hambleton Amateur Radio Society (Northallerton) is having an operating night. More information from Tony Wilson, G3MAE, on 01609 881 530.

On Wednesday 12 October Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the CW Sprint and preparing for the rally. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573. On Thursday 13 October Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is looking at VHF contesting. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 07876 085 631.

On Thursday 13 October South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having a talk on contesting by Ron, G3SVW. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Friday 14 October East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is having a radio magazines evening. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Saturday 15 October Denby Dale Radio Club commences its weekend event operating GB2WYS for Jamboree on the Air. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220 126.

On Sunday 16 October Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is running the Hornsea Rally at Floral Hall. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND On Sunday 9 October Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club is having its monthly meeting at 3pm. For more information send an email to cqmuarc@gmail.com.

On Monday 10 October Greenisland Electronics Amateur Radio Society is on the air on 2m. Details from Peter Lowrie, MI5JYK, by email to mi5jyk@rsgb.org.uk.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday 11 October Kilmarnock & Loudoun Amateur Radio Club is having a club night. Contact Graham, MM3GDC, by email to mm3gdc@btinternet.com.

On Tuesday 11 October Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having an operating evening. Details from Norman, on 07740 946 192.

On Wednesday 12 October Ayr Amateur Radio Group is having a talk on oil exploration in the Mediterranean Sea. Details from Tom Ferguson, GM1OST, on 01292 532 088.

On Thursday 13 October Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on lighthouses by Geoff, MM5AHO. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663.

On Friday 14 October Borders Amateur Radio Society is holding an EGM and AGM commencing at 8pm. More information from Danny, 2M0CDO, on 01890 882 850.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA On Monday 10 October Coulsdon Amateur Transmitting Society is having a talk on radio in the Scouting movement by G6CJR and M0NDJ. Details from Steve Beal, G3WZK, by email to secretary@catsradio.org.

On Monday 10 October West Kent Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by Dave Green, G4OTV on the club's radio DXpedition to Ireland. Details from Keith, G4JED, via email to westkentars@googlemail.com. On Tuesday 11 October Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is having a club net night. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Tuesday 11 October Harwell Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by Tim, G4VXE, on his world of VHF. Contact Malcolm, G8NRP, on 01235 524 844.

On Wednesday 12 October Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting at Danbury Village Hall. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Wednesday 12 October Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a members' forum and invites members to bring along their radio equipment. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday 12 October Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the RSGB 80m Club Sprint CW contest and having an informal, construction and shack evening. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Wednesday 12 October South Essex Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on power supplies by Philip, G8LHW. Details from Dave, G4UVJ, on 01268 697 978.

On Wednesday 12 October Southgate Amateur Radio Club is planning for 2012. Contact David Sharp, M0XDS, by email to david.sharp1@tesco.net.

On Wednesday 12 October Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its AGM. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816 684.

On Thursday 13 October Bittern DX Group is having an informal club meeting at Pinewood Park Leisure Club, NR26 8TU. Details from Linda, G0AJJ, on 01692 404 154.

On Thursday 13 October Echelford Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on Bletchley Park by Brian Oakley. Contact John, G4GSC, on 01784 451 898.

On Thursday 13 October Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is holding its AGM at the Railway and Bowls Club. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564 242.

On Thursday 13 October Reading & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by Prof Colin Bayliss, G3WKZ on smart grids. Details from Pete, G8FRC, on 01189 695 697.

On Thursday 13 October Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is holding its autumn junk sale. Details from David, G8UOD, on 01234 742 757.

On Friday 14 October Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having a discussion evening on test equipment, and invites members to bring theirs along. Contact Ron, G3KBR, on 01223 501 712.

On Friday 14 October Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a radio night. Contact Peter, G4AKG, on 01444 239 371.

On Friday 14 October Radio Society of Harrow is having a talk on the RSGB by Dr Alison Johnson, G8ROG. More information from Linda, G7RJL, on 02083 868 586.

On Friday 14 October Wimbledon & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air. Contact Andrew Maish, G4ADM, on 02083 353 434. On Saturday 15 October Crystal Palace Radio and Electronics Club continues its Foundation training course. Contact Bob, G3OOU, on 01737 552 170.

On Saturday 15 October Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society is running Jamboree on the Air station GB1HS for 1st Hainault Scout. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 02085 021 645.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST On Monday 10 October Exeter Amateur Radio Society is having a club night at the Moose Centre. Contact Nick, 2E0NRJ, on 01363 775 756.

On Tuesday 11 October Mid Somerset Amateur Radio Club is holding its AGM. Contact Nick, M6NJB, on 01749 346 320.

On Tuesday 11 October Plymouth Radio Club is holding a Bring & Buy sale. Details from Chris, M0ZCP, on 07834 767 161.

On Wednesday 12 October Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Thursday 13 October South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is holding its autumn table top sale. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

On Thursday 13 October Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having an activity night. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Thursday 13 October Yeovil Amateur Radio Club is looking at practical projects & soldering techniques. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk.

On Friday 14 October North Bristol Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on antennas for small spaces by Dick, G0XAY & Tony, G8CKK. More information from Dick on 01454 218 362.

On Friday 14 October Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

On Saturday 15 October Appledore & District Amateur Radio Club commences its weekend JOTA event at the QTH of G4SOF. Contact Brian Jewell, M0BRB, on 01237 473 251 for more information.

NEWS FOR WALES On Thursday 13 October Aberystwyth & District Amateur Radio Society is holding its AGM. Details from Ray, GW7AGG, on 01970 611 853.

965. By keeping this valuable item in your closet

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-08 03:18:27 UTC
From: fashion t shirts seller <yongyingwen@yahoo.com.cn>
Message-ID: <2df45572-fb06-479b-ac4e-143b3b72c7bb@k25g2000prf.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3955
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.arts.comics.misc

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966. FOR ONLY HOT GUYS SEE THIS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-08 13:06:39 UTC
From: SAMARA <jaidatta9247@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <e541b532-8c23-44a0-a919-c3793a6877d1@t23g2000prg.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3956

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7TH SENSE MOVIE STILLS
http://actressgallery-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/10/7th-sense-movie-stills.html
MOGUDU MOVIE STILLS
http://actressgallery-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/09/mogudu-movie-stills.html
HANSIKA MATOWNI LATEST HOT STILLS
http://actressgallery-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/09/hansika-motwani.html
KAJAL AGARWAL HOT PHOTOS
http://actressgallery-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/09/kajal-agarwal.html
TAMANNA SIRUTHAI HOT MOVIE STILLS
http://actressgallery-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/09/siruthai-movie-stills.html
SNEHA HOT GOA MOVIE STILLS
http://actressgallery-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/09/goa-movie-stills.html
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http://actressgallery-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/09/katrina-kaif.html
AISHWARYA RAI HOT HQ PHOTO STILLS
http://actressgallery-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/09/aishwarya-rai.html
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TAMANNA HOT PHOTOS
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HOT KATRINAKAIF WALLPAPERS
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SAMANTHA HOT WALLPAPERS
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HOT MALLU ACTRESS BHAMA
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/09/bhama-hot.html
TOLLYWOOD HOT ACTRESSES
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/hot-actrsess.html
SONAKSHI SINHA HOT PHOTOS
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PRIYANKA CHOPRA LATEST HOT PHOTOS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/priyanka-chopra-hot.html

LATEST AMISHA PATEL HOT PICS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/amisha-patel-hot.html
TAPSEE DIFFERENT STILLS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/tapsee-hot.html
PRIYAMANI HOT PHOTOS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/09/priyamani-hot.html

KATRINA KAIF HOT IMAGES
http://hotactress-katrina.blogspot.com/2011/08/katrina-kaif-hot.html
TOP 15 HOT BOLLYWOOD KISSES
http://hotactress-katrina.blogspot.com/2011/08/bollywood-kisses.html
KAJAL AGARWAL HOT PICS
http://hotactress-katrina.blogspot.com/2011/09/kajal-agarwal.html

967. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-08 13:26:17 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <de8456aa-e8b0-49bc-9c3e-49505f383af8@g33g2000yqc.googlegroups.com>
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On Oct 7, 11:18 pm, fashion t shirts seller <yongying...@yahoo.com.cn>
wrote:
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968. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-08 13:28:38 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <1c0b1fc3-10cc-48d8-b731-6cf620372f48@fx14g2000vbb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3958

On Oct 8, 9:06 am, SAMARA <jaidatta9...@gmail.com> wrote:
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> http://goodjobssites.blogspot.com/
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969. SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 9 OCTOBER 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-08 23:00:16 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <20111008230007.81ABA33C94@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3959
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SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 9 OCTOBER 2011

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. PLEASE NOTE: for audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 and 3,695 MHz SSB.

In the news today:

OCTOBER 2011 RAE CANDIDATE EXAM NUMBERS RELEASED

7P8EME DX-PEDITION A GREAT SUCCESS

SARL MEMBERSHIP NOW 1 345

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting news items.

OCTOBER 2011 RAE CANDIDATE EXAM NUMBERS RELEASED

The SARL has released the Candidate Examination Numbers for the October Radio Amateur Examination, which will take place on 20th October 2011. The list can be obtained by visiting www.sarl.org.za and clicking on the link in the news item on SARL TODAY.

174 Candidates have entered for the examination including one visually handicapped person for whom special arrangements have been made. This is the largest number of candidates recorded in recent years.

Letters will be mailed to the candidates during the course of this weekend. Should there be any queries about an examination centre, please contact Mariska at the office at 011 675 2393.

7P8EME DX-PEDITION A GREAT SUCCESS

The 7P8EME DX-pedition was a great success. The team managed to make in total 320 QSO's. 274 QSO's on 2 metres EME, 23 QSO's on 70 cm EME, 18 QSO's on 23 cm EME and 5 QSO's on 6 metres EME, all using JT65. On HF (CW) a few DX contacts were made in between EME operations by Wynand, ZS6ARF, while some pleasant chats were conducted on 40 metres with

South African Radio amateurs by Pieter. ZS6PA.

The team would like to thank all sponsors, especially Dan, HB9CRQ, the South African Radio League, the South African Amateur Radio Development Trust Multisource Telecoms and all radio amateurs who supported the expedition. A full report will be published on the web during next week and in Radio ZS.

SARL MEMBERSHIP NOW 1 345

Last week the SARL membership stood at 1 345. Members who have not renewed will no longer have access to member facilities such as the QSL bureau, Radio ZS and the members' only section on the web, which includes access to the forum.

If you have not renewed your membership you can still do so by paying your subscription as soon as possible. If you have mislaid your invoice, please call Mariska on 011 675 2393 for details.

If you have never been a member of the SARL why not join now. By joining the SARL you are strengthening the voice of the SARL and the IARU in areas where it counts most. Details of how to join can be found on www.sarl.org.za.

SA AMSAT ISSUE FIRST CALL FOR PAPERS

SA AMSAT has issued the first call for papers for the 2012 Space Symposium to be held in Durban on Saturday 12 May 2012, at the University of KwaZulu-Natal. If you would like to present a paper, please send a brief synopsis to reach SA AMSAT by no later than 31 January 2012. The theme will be 50 years of OSCAR, celebrating the launch of the first amateur radio satellite on 12 December 1961.

SARL WEB SLOW PROGRESS

The team working on the SARL web is making progress but it is slow. Peter Hers, ZS6PHD, reports that there was a dramatic improvement on Friday by disabling some parts of the site, which are causing problems. He said that there is still a lot of work to identify problems at the detail level and to fix them. The SARL acknowledges the amount of effort that Peter and others, who are assisting him, are making in solving the problems.

AMATEUR RADIO FEATURED WELL AT THE IAC2011

Amateur Radio featured in several papers presented at the sixty second International Astronautical Congress held on African soil in Cape Town for the first time since the formation of the International Astronautical Federation in 1951.

Several papers highlighted Amateur Radio involvement in satellites and SETI. A paper by Dr Jakobus van Zyl and Johann Lochner, ZE6CBC, both engineers at SunSpace, covered a global geographical survey of received signal's strength in the VHF band. The data collected by SumbandilaSat,

S067, provides useful information for selecting future ground station locations for minimum interference. The study further gives an indication of frequencies to use for command and telemetry communication at existing ground stations. More details will be included in future SARL news and on Amateur Radio Today.

At the congress, the Department of Science and Technology announced that the department will support the launch of the single CubeSat built by the Cape Peninsula University of Technology. As covered in last week's SARLNEWS the CubeSat includes an HF beacon on 14,099 MHz which will have interesting applications in Amateur Radio. The article about the HF beacon is available on www.amsatsa.org.za.

SARL RESPONDS TO CAPE TOWN CITY RE ANTENNAS

The SARL has responded to the draft Telecommunications Infrastructure Policy for the City of Cape Town. During discussions the City's Environmental Agency confirmed that amateur radio antenna masts and structures are excluded from the Telecommunications Infrastructure Policy. The SARL has requested that the amateur radio exclusion statement be incorporated in the policy.

This does not mean that amateur radio antennas and structures are not regulated. These structures are still governed by the building regulations. However Amateur radio towers under 15 metres are exempt from environmental scoping as laid down in the environmental protection act.

"AMATEURRADIO IN AKSIE"

"Amateurradio in Aksie" is an Afrikaans news program aimed at Afrikaans speaking radio amateurs. The program will be compiled on a weekly basis and made available for download from www.amateurinaksie.co.za, on Monday mornings. While you are visiting the website also make an effort to sign the guest book.

Clubs and individuals are urged to download the program and even use it during club bulletins or even as a standalone news program. Everybody is welcome to give input to the program and we encourage people to do so via the website. We look forward to have as many listeners as possible.

CQ HOU KOERS

CQ Hou Koers, the Voortrekkers' annual radio communications day, takes place on Saturday the 15th of October from 08:30 until 12:00 CAT. Calling frequencies are 3 670, 7 085 and 14 240 kHz and local repeaters. Young people from across SA and Namibia will be active on the amateur bands. Please support them. The Voortrekkers are celebrating their 80th anniversary and the call signs ZS80VT and ZS6VTS will also be used.

Enquiries may be sent to Andries, ZS6VL, with email address andries.visagie@natref.com.

CLUB NEWS

The Centurion Radio Amateur Club will present a technical talk on the club's two meter repeater, frequency 145,775 MHz, commencing at 19:30.

Tonight will be a repeat of last week's discussion, which was cut short due to bad weather conditions.

The subject for the talk this evening is: "Feed lines as matching transformers" and it answers a question recently posed on the SARL forum, namely: "Can one match an antenna by altering the length of its feed line?" And of course there will also be a tongue in cheek amateur story!

This very interesting discussion will be presented by Pine, ZS6GST.

CONTEST NEWS

PEARS HF DX CONTEST

The aim of the PEARS HF DX Contest is to encourage Southern African radio amateurs to work DX. The contest will take place on Sunday 13 November 2011 starting at 12:00 and ending at 16:00 UTC with SSB activity on 20 and 15 metres. Participation can be as a Single Operator, Base or Field Station or as a Multi Operator, Base or Field station. Stations may use the maximum power permitted according to the regulations in the country of operation.

The exchange is your call sign and signal report and one point is earned with each QSO. A station may be contacted once on each contest band. Field stations must multiply their score by two and a further multiplier of two is available if the station uses a non-gain antenna with reference to a dipole. Then the score is multiplied by the number of countries contacted.

Should more than three logs be received per category, a certificate will be awarded to the winner in each category. Log sheets must be submitted by 30 November 2011 to PO Box 10402, Linton Grange, Port Elizabeth, 6015 or by e-mail to contest@peham.co.za.

This contest replaces the PEARS HF Contest that was scheduled for Sunday 4 December 2011.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that solar activity is expected to be at moderate to high levels. New sunspot 1 313 is crackling with C-class flares. There are currently nine numbered regions on the visible disk.

For the people doing their own frequency predictions the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 70.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of fun with DX opportunities at various times of the day.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

15 October - CQ - Hou Koers. 15/16 October - Jamboree on the air. 20 October - Radio Amateur Examination. 30 October - Intechnet on proposed new license. Till 31 October - ZL-stations with ZM prefixes and ZL4RUGBY and ZL6RWC on the air. 13 November - Pears HF DX Competition 12:00 till 16:00 UTC. 30 November - Due date for submission of log sheets for the Pears HF DX Competition. 31 January 2012 - Due date for submission of proposed papers for the 2012 SA AMSAT Space Symposium.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 750 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 18:30 CAT on 3 230 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by Gustav, Z6SBWN.

Thank you for listening, 73.
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========== Message Ends ========== To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp.

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-09 03:49:36 UTC
From: ZL1AMW <infoline@nzart.org.nz>
Message-ID: <FCC0E2AA6E864A3681B434B2C213E399@AlanLaptop>
Source record: 3960
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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Debby Says….Headquarters will be closed from Monday 10th until Tuesday 25th October as I will be away on some much needed R & R! Please contact a Councillor in your area if you need information urgently.

For those of you wanting to be in the draw for the Icom VHF Hand Held, you will need to ensure your 2012 subscriptions are paid by the end of November.
Talk soon…Debby ZL2DL

New member of FMTAG

FMTAG welcomes Terry, ZL4TAE, to the FMTAG team. He was appointed by NZART Council at its meeting on the 4th of October. Terry brings his extensive radio engineering and managerial skills to the FMTAG team.

Proposals

The Auckland VHF Group, Branch 66, has applied for a 850 repeater at North Head, located at TOPO50 BA32 616227. The repeater transmit

frequency will be 438.500 MHz and its receive frequency will be 433.500 MHz. An engineering investigation, in accordance with MED PIB38, confirms that there will be no interference to other stations.

There were no Final Recommendations to Council this month

Call Book Update

Time is running out for the inclusion of Repeater, Beacon and Link details in the forthcoming issue of Call Book.

As at the close of business on the 7th of October, FMTAG had not received information from the following Branches. The request for information was sent to the Branches in mid August, and can be re-sent if it has been lost or misplaced.

03 Western Suburbs

06 Tararua

08 Eastern Southland

22 Marlborough

26 Nelson

27 New Plymouth

30 Otago

33 Rotorua

35 South Otago

42 Titahi Bay

49 Westland

56 Christchurch West

66 Auckland VHF

67 Kawerau

69 Kapiti

85 Mercury Bay

86 Suburban

87 South Taranaki

88 Tauranga Emergency

REG Radio Electronics

Please respond to FMTAG, by email, within the next five days, to ensure inclusion of the information, and to help make this Call Book the best

ever:

fmtag@nzart.org.nz

>From the VHF/UHF/SHF Contest Manager

Logs for the Microwave Contest (October 1st and 2nd).

The closing date for receipt of contest logs is next Sunday. Please send your logs to the address below.

Coming Contests

Field Day Contest - All bands 50 MHz and up. Saturday 3rd and Sunday 4th December.

DX Weekend Contest - All bands 50 MHz and up. First Saturday 4th and Sunday 5th February.

For both contests, the operating periods are 1700 to 2300 on the Saturday, and 0700 to 1300 on the Sunday, NZ local time.

All contest logs should be sent, to arrive within two weeks, to: zl2wa@clear.net.nz

with Contest Log in the subject line, or by post to:

Contest Manager, Wellington VHF Group, P.O. Box 12-259, Thorndon, Wellington

The contest rules are available at:
http://www.vhf.org.nz/VHF-UHF-SHF-ContestRules

Wellington VHF Group Website http://www.vhf.org.nz

Rules NZART Straight Key Night
Polish and lubricate that old morse key and enjoy an evening of old time radio fun. An activity night in which everyone can be a winner with a certificate to prove it.

When: First Sunday in November 2000-2200 NZST in two one-hour periods
Band: 80 m (3.5 MHz) only
Mode: CW sent with STRAIGHT KEY ie characters formed manually, no system of automatic dots, dashes or spacing permitted.
Divisions: 1. Vintage QRP, 2. Vintage QRO, 3. Open QRP, and 4. Open QRO.
Explanation: Vintage receivers and transmitters or transceivers using valves, no solid-state devices in the signal line permitted. QRP: 5 watts or less rf output.
Exchange:
1. RST,
2. QTH,

3. Operator’s name (one word),

4. Key used (e.g. ZC1, P&T),

5. TX type (eg ZC1, FT1000, homebrew), and

6. TX power (watts).

Except for DX stations (ie non ZL mainland) only RST, operators name, and QTH need be exchanged.

Scoring: ONE Point per QSO.

Stations may be worked once in each one-hour period, CW to CW only. All stations submitting logs MUST use a straight key throughout, but straight key stations may QSO stations using bugs, electronic keyers or keyboards.

Multipliers:
1. Vintage QRP multiply total points by 2,

2. Open QRP multiply total points by 1.5,

3. Vintage QRO multiply total points by 1.2, and

4. Open QRO multiply total points by 1.

Logs:
Suggest using standard NZART log pages (not contest log sheets).

Each log QSO entry to show of station worked:

1. Time (NZST or Z),

2. Callsign,

3. RST,

4. QTH,

5. Name,

6. Key type,

7. Tx type, and

8. Tx power.

Calculate total score then multiply by the appropriate multiplier to give total score claimed.

Logs to have associated data sheet giving entrant’s:

1. Name,

2. Callsign,

3. QTH,

4. Age (optional),

Full description of equipment used including:

5. Key,

6. Tx/rx,

7. Tx power, and

8. Antenna.

Send logs by mail by 30 November to:
Ken McCormack, ZL1AIH, 181 Ararimu Valley Road, Waimauku, AUCKLAND, or email

zl1aih@xtra.co.nz

All (including DX stations) who send a log will receive a certificate. Special certificates to top three in each division. Annotated certificates e.g. Best ZC1, Youngest/oldest op, etc., at manager's discretion. Any photos of operators and/or equipment gratefully received.

ARRL Invites Nominations For 2011 International Humanitarian Award

Nominations are open for the 2011 ARRL International Humanitarian Award

<http://www.arrl.org/international-humanitarian-award>. The award is conferred upon an amateur or amateurs who demonstrate devotion to human welfare, peace and international understanding through Amateur Radio. The League established the annual prize to recognize Amateur Radio operators who have used ham radio to provide extraordinary service to others in times of crisis or disaster.

A committee appointed by the League's President recommends the award recipient(s) to the ARRL Board, which makes the final decision. The committee is now accepting nominations from Amateur Radio, governmental or other organizations that have benefited from extraordinary service rendered by an Amateur Radio operator or group.

Amateur Radio is one of the few telecommunication services that allow people throughout the world from all walks of life to meet and talk with each other, thereby spreading goodwill across political boundaries. The ARRL International Humanitarian Award recognizes Amateur Radio's unique role in international communication and the assistance amateurs regularly

provide to people in need.

Nominations should include a summary of the nominee's actions that qualify the individual (or individuals) for this award, plus verifying statements from at least two people having first-hand knowledge of the events warranting the nomination. These statements may be from an official of a group (for example, the American Red Cross, The Salvation Army, a local or state emergency management official) that benefited from the nominee's particular Amateur Radio contribution. Nominations should include the names and addresses of all references.

All nominations and supporting materials for the 2011 ARRL International Humanitarian Award must be submitted in writing in English to ARRL International Humanitarian Award, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111 USA.

Nomination submissions are due by December 31, 2011. In the event that no nominations are received, the committee itself may determine a recipient or decide to make no award.

The winner of the ARRL International Humanitarian Award receives an engraved plaque and a profile in QST and other ARRL venues.

Scouts Jamboree on the Air EMCOM Event

Hans Zimmermann F5VKP and F/HB9AQS, the IARU International Coordinator for Emergency Communications sent me the following information about an EMCOM component of this years JOTA event:

Within this year's JOTA, an emergency communications exercise will take place on Saturday, 15 October in the afternoon (European time zone). This simulated emergency test will include the Headquarters station, HB9S, of the World Organization of the Scout Movement (WOSM), which will be operated by hams from 5 different countries.

WOSM has now published the details for the event on its web site:

http://scout.org/en/information_events/events/jota/the_54th_jota_2011 with numerous links to related documents of IARU and other sources.

This year's JOTA theme offers an excellent opportunity to raise the awareness for the role of the Amateur Radio Service in disaster situations.

For more information, the JOTA organizer, Richard Middelkoop, can be reached at RMiddelkoop@scout.org.

CQ Communications to launch digital editions of all magazines

First issue to be released October 2011
CQ Communications, Inc., will launch multi-platform digital editions of all of its magazine titles before the end of 2011, Publisher Richard Ross, K2MGA, announced today. Those titles include CQ Amateur Radio (CQ magazine), CQ VHF, Popular Communications and WorldRadio Online. Many CQ book titles are already available in digital form on CD.

The digital editions will supplement, not replace, current print editions, and will feature enhancements not possible in the print medium. Versions will be available for a variety of online and mobile platforms*.
Examples of features that will be possible in the digital editions include live links to all World Wide Web addresses listed in each issue, as well as supplemental content, such as photo albums, audio and video files, software and more.

The digital launch will begin in late October with the November issue of an enhanced, multi-platform, version of WorldRadio Online, which will

again become a paid-subscription publication; followed by November CQ, which, appropriately, is the magazine's first annual Technology Special. The fall issue of CQ VHF and the December issue of Popular Communications will round out the introductions. Digital editions will be available by single copy and by subscription. Details will be in the near future in the magazines and on all CQ Communications websites. (*Initially, digital editions will be compatible with the following platforms: PC, Mac, iPhone, iPad, Android 2.0 and higher.)

Centenary on air
For the month of November 2011 the special callsign VK100ARV will be well
sought after and qualifies toward the Amateur Radio Centenary Award. For images visit QRZ.COM.

This year is the 100th anniversary of the Amateur Wireless Society of Victoria,
formed in 1911, quickly changing its name to the Wireless Institute of Victoria,
and today is known as Amateur Radio Victoria.

A special QSL card has been printed. The front features defining words capturing the
spirit of the founding of the organisation and a gallery of Presidents. and
the information
The Award certificate has a montage of the organisation over the decades.
Both are worth obtaining for display and will show the Centenary logo.

News from around the Branches

Lower Hutt Branch 18 intend to run JOTA over a longer period each day than in previous years - the aim is to contact more overseas JOTA stations. Jota weekend 12 – 15 October.

It is also planned to have one of the school radio educational kits available in the Club

Rooms, at Philip Evans Reserve.

North Shore Branch 29 is looking for Mobile operators for the Silver Fern 7 day marathon car rally to be held in the 2nd week of November 2012. Portable HF for 80m and 60m on-site communication and VHF equipment for mobile operation is essential. Fuel and accommodation will be provided. Further details can be obtained from Warren Harris ZL2AJ warren@zl2aj.com.

Whangarei Branch 28 in their September newsletter has an interesting article on “How to use the Internet Radio Linking Project (IRLP)”. For those of you wanting to know more about this, I suggest you make contact with Jeff ZL1TOB from Whangarei branch.

Hawkes Bay Amateur Radio Club is holding a training weekend on the 5th and 6th of November. Anyone who would like to gain their GAOC and callsign please contact Lee Jennings at leejen@paradise.net.nz for more info.

Christchurch Amateur Radio Club Branch 05 is hosting a radio technology day RadioTek on Sunday 13th November, open to all persons interested in radio technology or amateur radio.

More details can be found on the web www.radiotek.org.nz or contact Rory Deans rory1@xtra.co.nz.

Housekeeping

1.. Break-In-Closing Date Reminder: Copy for the Nov/December issue of Break-In-closes on 10 November 2011.
2.. Copy for Break-In: Copy is welcome in most electronic formats but word.doc files are preferred. Photos and other graphics should be send as separate discrete files (*.jpg preferred); not as embedded pix in the body of the text. Please ensure that suitable descriptive captions/legends are included with your copy.
All received copy will be acknowledged to confirm receipt.
Thank you for your cooperation.
John Walker ZL3IB Editor.
3.. Break-In: Early receipt of copy is much appreciated
4.. Break-In-AREC Column: The close-of-copy date is the 03 November 2011 for articles for publication in the AREC COLUMN OF BREAK-IN. Photos, if available, to be on a separate floppy or CD (with captions), posted DIRECTLY TO US. Use the Call Book address. All other material can go to e-mail:
zl3qr@nzart.org.nz or zl3ov@nzart.org.nz
5.. The ARRL and WIA Weekly News
6.. Subscribe TO/FROM Infoline
Next NZART Official Broadcast is on SUNDAY 30th October 2011 and Next HQ-Infoline e-mailed on SUNDAY 23rd October 2011.

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APRS iGate policy for NZART (DRAFT)

Introduction

This discussion paper is designed to set out recommended procedures for licencing and configuring iGates for use on the APRS network in New Zealand. Such papers would be applied only as a gentlemen’s agreement. Adhering to them would be to the benefit of all amateur radio and APRS operators in the country.

Definitions

APRS is an RF based tactical information system using AX.25 packet radio on 144.575.

APRS-IS is an internet network making APRS data available to web based browsers.

iGate is an RF to Internet or Internet to RF connection, usually (but not always) made up of a PC connected to the internet and a radio.

IS>RF – APRS data propagating from the internet to Radio Frequencies

RF>IS APRS data propagating from Radio Frequencies to the Internet

144.575 is the nationally recognised APRS frequency

Digipeater – A simplex store and forward AX.25 packet repeater. For the purpose of this document they receive and transmit on 144.575 unless otherwise stated.

Tracker – A unit comprising of a radio (on 144.575), a GPS, and some circuitry (also refered to as a tracker) connecting the 2 together. Such trackers beacon out position information from the mobile station, so other users can see where trackers are located on a map.

Licences. As per the amateur GuRL, all non attended transmitters with in the amateur spectrum require a licence. (eg Repeaters, Beacons and Links). iGates not located at an amateur radio operators address is considered a non attended station, and thus would require a licence to be applied for, granted and paid for.

Consultation Process

Consultation has been had with APRS users around the counrty via the email ZLAPRS reflector, directly with APRS users via email, and by attending the Te Puke June meeting discussing issues with APRS users from Rotorua, Tauranga, Hamilton and Te Puke.

iGate configurations.

1) Receive Only. There is no issue with RF>IS traffic. As this is receive only (RF) this requires no licence. However it can create issues in the APRS network in the case of messages. Messages received by such receive only nodes will not be returned, as the APRS network sends replies via the same node, however will not be able to do so if such nodes can not transmit.

2) iGates that receive 144.575 data, but transmit messages only, overcome this problem. But as they are now fitted with an active transmitter they may require a licence.

3) iGates that receive and transmit all tactical information from ZL. This can create congestion as this information takes time to transmit and can make the APRS frequency congested with data, making it difficult for local traffic (mobile beacons etc) to find airtime to access the network. This is even more of an issue with hidden transmitters. Digipeaters are located on hilltops, and can hear more than what local stations can hear. Thus the mobile tracker may presume the air is clear when infact the digipeater is busy hearing iGate traffic. Packets will be lost. These iGates are known as ZL wide iGates.

4) iGates do the same as above but restrict the information they transmit by the way of a filter. Thus other than transmitting ZL wide traffic they may only transmit packets heard within a certain radius (say 200km). This limits the amount of traffic they will transmit. It should be noted that if an iGate hears packets on the air, it will not consider retransmitting them. This limits the amount of traffic such iGates will transmit to an acceptable level.

5) ZL wide iGates have their power set low enough so they are just heard by the nearest digipeater. This means that mobile trackers should overcome the igates signal into the digipeater to be heard. It does limit the useful transmitting range of the iGate station.

6) Another option suggested has been to use an alternate frequency to transmit IS>RF traffic ZL wide. This has been experimented with on 432.575 (70cm equiv of 144.575). A message only iGate is still required on 144.575 for full functionality, with the addition of being able to receive ZL wide traffic on an alternate frequency. This is useful for APRS users that have no internet connection at home, without degrading or congesting 144.575.

iGates 1-5 are on 144.575. igate 6 may be on any other frequency.

iGates at home. Most of the iGates in operation in New Zealand are currently located at a licenced amateur radio operators home address. They are assumed to be covered by the amateur GuRL. Thus there is no licence process to go through. It is however expected that iGate operators would look favourably to operating within NZART recommendations.

Interference. Stations (whether licenced or GuRL’d) causing interference may be open to an interference complaint lodged against that station.

Recommendations for NZART policy adoption.

iGates fitting option 2, 4 or 5 should be granted licence if one is requested, with the appropriate restrictions denoted on the licence.

iGates fitting option 3 should be declined, requesting that the applicant adjust their methods to fit option 2, 4 or 5.

iGates fitting option 6 should be granted, providing that the licence frequency chosen fits other band plan and interference mitigation criteria.

iGates not requiring a licence should still fit into option 1, 2, 4, 5 or 6 to be safe from interference complaints. iGate type 3 owners should be encouraged to migrate to an alternate option for the benefit of amateur radio and APRS.

971. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 9th October 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-09 20:00:21 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20111009200007.9ED2B33C99@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3961
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 9th October 2011

With Deepest Sympathy

IRTS wish to extend their deepest sympathy to Tom McGrath, EI7HT, on the death of his wife Deirdre.

Suaimhneas s�ora� d� hanam.

Echo Ireland

IRTS apologises to members for the delay in producing the current issue of Echo Ireland due to unforeseen circumstances and members should have their copies within the next two weeks.

Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club

With the appointment of the 2011/12 committee under the chairmanship of Martin, Mi0 YMF, the Mid Ulster Club have again committed to a busy schedule promoting amateur radio through education and awareness.

The next course is for the Foundation License and will be held in Portadown, over the Friday evening of the 28th and Saturday 29th October. Registration details and forms are all as listed on the Club's website, www.muarc.com

A further Foundation course is planned for the end of November with the traditional Intermediate course pencilled in for 12 Wednesday evenings from January through to March 2012. Again, the details are posted on the website.

All courses are open to non members with a special welcome extended to existing Mi6 operators wishing to upgrade to 2i0. All course candidates will have the opportunity to benefit from the successful teaching programme and to enjoy the traditional Mid Ulster Club's hospitality.

North Cork Radio Group

Lisa, EI9GSB, writes to tells us that the North Cork Radio Group would like to wish Edwin, Jer and Chris the best of luck in the forthcoming HAREC exam on 14th October. We know all that study will pay off and we look forward to hearing you on the air. We also wish the other candidates taking the exam good luck and hope to hear some new call signs on the bands.

Exhibition Station at Cork Institute of Technology

Cork Radio Club members will be operating from the CIT campus in Bishopstown, Cork on Tuesday 11 October as part of an initiative to introduce CIT students to amateur radio. Ingo Ei2KF, Tim Ei2KA and Gene Ei6KF (AL7GQ) will operate club call Ei5CRC from the main entrance at CIT from 11am to 3pm. Depending on access for antennas, bands will be 20m, 30m, and possibly 17m, 15m, and 2m on the Cork Repeater. Modes will be phone and CW. The aim is to introduce students to amateur radio and encourage the formation of a student amateur radio society at CIT. Cork Radio Club plans to provide encouragement and support for any interested students. All amateurs are welcome to pay a visit to the station on the day, and particularly club members are welcome since students may later see a familiar face. Location is Rossa Avenue just off Model Farm Road.

South Dublin Radio Club

At the first meeting in October, members of South Dublin Radio Club and visitors were treated to a demonstration and presentation on satellite television. Daniel EI9FHB, along with Charlie EI2EM, showed how equipment originally designed for broadcast satellite television reception can easily be adapted for use in Amateur Television experiments. Daniel spoke also about the current and planned ATV repeaters.

For those more used to operating on HF, using 40 metre dipoles or Yagi arrays, the diminutive antennas used for 10 Gigahertz Amateur Television were quite remarkable.

East Kiribati (T32) DXpedition

The T32C DXpedition to Christmas Island has been on the air for the past two weeks, although it is only in the past week that the main group of operators have been up and running. The group is still without the planned Yagi antennas and is instead using vertical dipole arrays and ground plane antennas; they now have no expectations of the container with the original equipment arriving while they are on the island.

To date, North American and Japanese stations have been dominating the log: at the time of writing, there are more than 60,000 QSOs in the

log, of which just 11,000 are with European stations. As of now there are 30 EI and 12 GI stations in the log, with 15 metres and 17 metres being the best bands for propagation between T32 and EI/GI.

The group plans to operate until 26th October, so we can hope that propagation between T32 and Ireland improves between now and then!

Limerick Radio Club

Limerick Radio club have changed their club meeting night to Wednesday night going forward. The next meeting will be on Wednesday 12 October. Full details can be found on www.limerickradioclub.ie

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DX News

DL5YWM is scheduled to be active from the DXCC entity of San Andres and Providencia until 13 October. He will use the callsign HK0/DL5YWM and plans to be on all bands 40-6m.

Another Caribbean activation is W5JON using the call V47JA from St Kitts and Nevis during the period 10 October- 5 November. QSLs go via the home call.

A group of Ukrainian and Russian operators are going to Tahiti from 16-19 October where they will put the call TX3T on the air.

Many of you will have worked Bodo DL3OCH when he was active during 2009 as 5N0OCH from Nigeria. The good news is that not only has he received a new German callsign DF8DX but he is back in Nigeria until mid-October with the new call 5N7Q. He is there to carry out maintenance on a local broadcast station and will have the opportunity to make use of the antennas there for his amateur transmissions.

World's youngest nation joins ITU

The International Telecommunication Union has announced that the world's newest country, South Sudan, has joined the ITU to become the Union's 193rd Member State, effective from 3 October 2011.

Centenary VK100ARV goes on air

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High Solar Flux

Steve, G0KYA has recently published his UK HF propagation prediction charts for October. In recent times solar flux has been high, however it has since calmed down a little. With Solar flux index high, there is evidence that 10metres is opening up. Visit Steves' blog on http://www.g0kya.blogspot.com/

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

972. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1031

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-09 21:39:04 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <859027.72901.qm@smtp103.sbc.mail.mud.yahoo.com>
Source record: 3962
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1031
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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 2nd-October, through Sunday, 9th-October there were 226 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3D2/r, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C5, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H40, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HK0/a, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S5, S7, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T32, T5, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TU, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VP8, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3DA, SWAZILAND. Operators Gert/ZS6AYU and Hannes/ZS6BZP will once again be active as 3DA0GF (CW) and 3DA0HC (SSB), respectively (if the licences can be obtained in time), from the Hawane Resort near Mbabane, during the weekend of October 21-24th. Activity will probably be on 40-10 meters

including the 30/17/12 meters and will alternate operations between CW and SSB (If possible, simultaneous operation). QSL only direct to their home callsign. CW QSOs to ZS6AYU and SSB QSOs to ZS6BZP. QSL address can be found on QRZ.com.

3D2R, ROTUMA (QRT). The 3D2R team went QRT 9 hours earlier than planned on October 5th. According to the 3D2R Web page (edited): "Our Team is greatly satisfied about our outstanding score, 60,000 QSOs for 6 days.
We are pleased to announce that the new donated Amateur Radio Station (3D2RI) at the Rotuma High School began operation today, Oct. 6, 2011.
We kindly ask amateur radio stations world-wide to make a QSO with the members from the radio club -- slowly and with passion. Members of our team made the following donations to the Rotuma amateur radio club:
- TS 570 SG transceiver, Hrane YT1AD
- New A3S Tri-band Antenna with tower, Hrane and 3D2R Team members
- New 200 RG-8X Cable, Hrane and 3D2R Team members
- Switching Power supply 25A/13.8VDC, Paul - N6PSE
- Laptop Computer HP, Aleksey - UA4HOX
- Headphones Heil HC-4 with foot switch, Krassy - K1LZ
- 1,500.00 USDs Cash for School Projects, David K3LP
- 2,000 QSL cards 3D2RI was donated by Atilano - PY5EG
- Equipment for satellite Internet with one year subscription
will be donated by Atilano - PY5EG
Once again, thank you for each contact and the pleasure that you have brought from 3D2R activity. The completed 3D2R LOG will be uploaded next week." QSL via YT1AD, direct or by the Bureau. Online log is available at: http://www.qslnet.de/member/yt3w/yt1ad/logsearch.php
For more details and updates, see the 3D2R Web page at: http://www.yt1ad.info/3d2r/index.html

4X, ISRAEL. David, N6HD, will be active as 4X/N6HD from Israel between October 23rd and November 3rd. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign or LoTW.

9H, MALTA (Reminder). Just a reminder that operators Tommy/DL8KX and Andy/DD8ZJ will be active as 9H3KX from Gozo Island (EU-023, MIA MM-004, WLOTA 0046) between now and October 14th. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL via DL8KX, by the Bureau or direct.

9H, MALTA (EU-023). A German team of operators will be active as 9H9OB from Malta between October 14-22nd. Operators mentioned are Torsten/DG0OHD, Rich/DK8YY, Hans/DL1AOB, Dieter/DL1AWD, Ingolf/DL4JS, Olaf/DL5AOL, Jens-Uwe/DL8ALU and Konstantin/DO5KO. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW, SSB and the Digital modes, as well as on 2 meters CW/SSB, and an entry in the Worked All Germany Contest (WAG - October 15-16th). QSL via DH7WW, by the Bureau or direct.

9L, SIERRA LEONE. Dr. Karl-Heinz Ilg, DK2WV, will once again be active from here and lead another team of operators consisting of Jan/DJ8NK, Andy/DL5CW, Andreas/DL9USA and Heye/DJ9RR. They will be active as 9L0W from Banana Island (AF-037) between November 22nd and December 4th.

Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1826, 3506, 7006, 10106, 14006, 18076, 21006, 24896 and 28006 kHz
SSB - 3776, 14186, 18136, 21186, 24936 and 28486 kHz
RTTY/PSK - 7046, 10146, 14086, 18096, 21086, 24916 and 28086 kHz
Also, watch the IOTA frequencies. Operations will also include participation in the CQWW DX CW Contest. QSL via DK2WV. For more details and update, visit: http://www.mdxc.org/9l0w

9TH AAW. The first teams and individuals are already lining up to be active in the 9th Antarctic Activity Week (AAW) which will take place February 20-26th. This is an all bands, all modes world-wide event celebrating the international scientific work in Antarctica. Certificates may be obtained from the WAP using the QSLs from the WAP Reference Numbered stations worked. For more details, see:
http://www.waponline.it/Default.aspx?tabid3

A6, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES. Members of the South East Europe Contest Club have cancelled their A61K operation in the CQWW DX SSB Contest. They can not operate without TRA (Telecom) licence.....

B7, CHINA. A Chinese team of operators will activate B7P from Foshan City (WW. Grid OL63NA), nearby Guangzhou City, during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Multi-Multi entry. All QSLs will be sent via Bureau. For direct cards, please QSL via their manager BD7IXG.

CY0, SABLE ISLAND (Reminder). Look for Alan, VE1AWW, to be active again as VE1AWW/CY0 until the end of the year. Activity will be limited to his spare time using just a vertical and dipole. On his QRZ.com page, Alan states, "The rig is a Kenwood TS-690S with the AT running a maximum of 100W through a Hy-gain AV-18VS vertical on top of a 30 ft tower or a triband 160/80/40 inverted Vee (CY0 only)." He usually works mainly SSB. Alan is a government employee at the Sable Island station. QSL via his home callsign.

CY0, SABLE ISLAND. Randy, N0TG, has announced that he is going back to Sable Island in a second DXpedition, July 2012. Complete details have not been released yet. Watch for more details and updates on:
http://www.cy0dxpedition.com

D4, CAPE VERDE. Italian operators Fabio/I4UFH, Cortes/IZ4DPV, Luca/IK2NCJ, Carlo/IK1HJS, Fiorenza/IZ8FWN, Dario/IZ4UEZ and Gianfranco/IT9SPB will be active as D4C between October 10-30th. Their activity will include the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Multi-? entry. QSL via IZ4DPV. For the latest information, check the D4C Web page at: http://www.d4c.cc

D4, CAPE VERDE. Achim, DL1DAW, will be active as D44TZN from Sal Island (AF-086) between October 12-18th. Activity will be holiday style on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. He will also be in the Worked All Germany Contest (WAG) (October 15-16th) to provide a multiplier. QSL via his home callsign.

EA9, CEUTA AND MELILLA. A group of Spanish operators will be active as EE9Z during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as Multi-? entry. QSL via EA9LZ (QRZ.com). Operators mentioned are: Cristobal/EA7RU, Jorge/EA7HZ, Jorge/EA9LZ, Julio/EA7JB, Al/EA7JR, Juan/EC7DX, Enrique/EA9GW, Jorge/EA9LZ and possibly others.

EY, TAJIKISTAN. Nodir, EY8MM, from Dushanbe, will be active during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (TBD) entry. QSL K1BV via direct, by the Bureau or LoTW. Check out his home page at: http://www.ey8mm.com

H40, TEMOTU PROVINCE (Reminder). By the time you read this, Jacek, SP5DRH, will once again try to activate Pigeon Island (OC-065), Reef Islands, in the Temotu Province between October 8-21st. Operation last year had to be cancelled due to "dramatic plane delay" that destroyed Jacek's/SP5DRH and Jerzy's/SP3BQ plans. Jacek's main target will be Europe on 160m, some 80m is planned too. Operations will be mainly CW, and RTTY on 15/17 meters. QSL via SP7DQR ONLY. For more details and updates, watch: http://www.sp5drh.com/h40

HQ2, HONDURAS. Dan, HR2DMR, will be active as HQ2W during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/QRP entry. QSL via HR2DMR (QRZ.com) or LoTW.

HU, EL SALVADOR (Update). Mario, YS1GMV, and a team of operators will be active as HU1YS from "Club de Radioaficionados de El Salvador" (C.R.A.S.) in San Salvador during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Multi-Single entry. Operators mentioned are Jose/YS1MS, Federico/YS1FEA, Francisco/YS1FAF, Mario/YS1MAE, Mario/YS1TG, Florencio/YS1ZC, Mario/YS1GMV and possible others to be confirmed. QSL via EA5GL. ADDED NOTE: Mario, YS1GMV, informs OPDX that he has the 1987-88-89 HU1YS logs, also all the YS1YS and YS0YS logs, and of course the YS1GMV, HU1GMV and HU0WDX logs since 1972.

IOTA NEWS.....
EU-061. Operators Bj&#65533;rn/LA5UKA and Trond/LA9VDA were active as LA6Q from Spjaeroy Island this past weekend (October 7-9th). QSL via LA9VDA.

EU-120. Operators Kev/M0TNX and Martin/M3POG will once again activate Hilbre Island as GB2HI. After their successful activation of Hilbre Island in May this year, the duo has received another permit to be on the air and hope to be on the evening of Friday, October 21st, through the morning of Sunday the 23rd. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Since their activity will be taking place in the autumn, a special emphasis will be placed on the lower bands. Operations on 160m and 80m will be run on alternate sunrise and sunset. QSL via M0OXO. They will also upload to LoTW and E-QSL twice daily as long as there is an internet connection. For more details and updates, watch: http://www.gb2hi.co.uk

EU-189. (MS0INT Postponed) The June 2012 MS0INT, Isle of Rockall DXpedition has been postponed for another year. The team's decision was not made easily considering their planning and organizational aspects were going extremely well. They believed that the recent activation by the MM0RAI/p Belgian team made Rockall a less attractive target. For more details about the postponement see: http://www.eu189.com

NA-078. Manuel/XE2HUQ will be active as XF1M from Santa Margarita sometime in December. Specific dates are not announced. Activity will be on 80/40/20/17/15/12/10 meters using SSB only. QSL via XE2HUQ.

NA-089. Operators Dragan/K0AP, Hector/AD6D/XE2K and Mike/AB5EB will be active as homecall/5 from Grand Island (aka Half Moon Island) possibly starting as early as 2300z, October 14th, and stay until October 16th. The operation will be dependent on good weather. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW and SBB, with 2 stations using a 3 element beam and vertical antennas. QSL via their home callsigns.

NA-165. Operators Manuel/XE2HUQ, Saul/XE2HQI and Jose/XE2HVF will be active as XF1C from Coronados Island between November 7-12th. Activity will be on 80/40/20/17/15/12/10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via XE2HUQ.

NA-240. NEW IOTA! Rick, K6VVA, is currently making plans for another Alaskan IOTA next year, this time to the Bethel County IOTA Group. The group contains Kwigluk and Pingurbek Islands. The operation depends on a few final details and WX, but is planned for June 22-24th, 2012. For more details and updates, watch the following Web and Twitter pages:
http://www.k6vva.com/iota/na240
http://twitter.com/#!/k6vva

JUST A REMINDER! The DX Magazine's "2011 Most Wanted DX Survey" will be coming to an end. The deadline is October 15th. The survey is available at: http://www.dxpub.com/dx_survey2011.html
Please remember that South Sudan is not on the form this time. Although there was an operation from there this year (ST0R), it is not expected that the confirmations will be available before the October 15th deadline for it to be included in this survey.

KG6, GUAM (OC-026). Joel, KG6DX, will once again be active as KG6DX in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (10m)/High-Power entry. QSL via KG6DX, CBA or QRZ.com address. Also LoTW.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (October 10-16th)....
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HF225DT/8 via SP9PTA OG2A via OH2RA YU/ZL1SLO via
ZL1SLO
HL4/F5IDM via KH6-Bureau OG5N via OH1CQ ZS2DL via NI5DX
ZS3Y via SQ8X

MM0RAI/p (EU-189) QSL POLICY (dated October 6th). Marc, ON6CC, reports: "The log has been uploaded to LoTW. All individual sponsors (both 2009 and 2011) will get a 'free' direct QSL card via mail, no need to send a SASE to our manager! (provided you worked us of course). Make sure your address is correct on QRZ.COM! Bureau cards will be put in the QSLing system in November. Members of the GDXF and MDXC will have their cards a little sooner. The QSL card has to be designed and printed so sit back and wait. If the online log does not show your callsign send an e-mail to ON4ATW. An update will be posted on this Website http://www.rockall.be
to let you know when the cards arrive from the printer."

NEW QSL MANAGER. Pedro, EA5GL, announced that he is now the new QSL Manager for A61M. This is due to the postal problems A61M has been receiving. If someone has sent a QSL and has not had a replay, A61M apologizes and states he is sorry but please send a QSL to his new manager because he has not received anything. You are free to contact Mohammad by E-mail for updates or check QSOs list. His E-mail address is on QRZ.com.

NEEDS SOME HELP. It is official, Alex, PY2SEX, needs some information about Cologne (Koln), Germany, and/or any HAM Radio operators because he is moving there. He can be reached via his E-mail address at: py2sex@gmail.com

ST0R QSL STATUS. Antonio, EA5RM, informs OPDX on October 9th, that the "ST0R QSLs arrived from printer five days ago and the first batch of cards were mailed. Donors's QSL and cards requested through OQRS will be the first going out."

QSL TC2X via QSL Manager TA1HZ, either direct to POB 73, Karakoy 34421, Istanbul, TURKEY, address or via TA QSL Bureau. Activity this past weekend was during the Scandinavian Activity Contest.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 4W6A, 9L5MS, EA4EQD, F1MWV, FP/G4EAG, FP/M0BLF, G0ORC, GW0TKX, GW4BKG, GW5O, HK1MW, JO3JIS, JS1NDM, JS3CTQ, JW8AJA, LU2FE, LX/PA3EWP, NL7G, OK1TN, OK6DJ, OM5MF, OX3R, RA3CQ, RW3XZ, SM5IZS, SQ5STS, TF3IRA, TF3Y, UA3KW, VK7ZX, YV6BFE and WH2X

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3B8FQ, CS2W, GB5TI, RI1FJ, ST0R, UA2F, VE1OMI, VK6DXI, VK0KEV and VP9NI

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: ST2R

T2, TUVALU (T2T Press Press). Bill, VK4FW, sent out the following press release on October 6th: "Today I received some disturbing emails being circulated from an EU operator. So before this all gets out of hand, I want to set the record straight. The operators and equipment are ready to go. The entire team will be concentrating in getting as many individual callsigns in the log especially from EU and AF where Tuvulu is wanted the most. Logs WILL be uploaded to LOTW and EQSL within 12 months of the DX-pedition. QSL Manager is VK4FW. I am personally disgusted that persons who have nil to do with this DXpedition have seen fit to try to interfere and cause major problems." For more details and updates, watch: http://www.t2t.pacific-dxers.com

T32, CHRISTMAS ISLAND. The Five Star DXers Association (FSDXA) group continues to be very active as T32C from Kiritimati (Christmas Island) until October 26th. As of 0704z, October 9th, the T32C operation has made 91639/QSOs with 25386 Unique Callsigns (36971/SSB, 49979/CW and 4689/RTTY). Logs will be uploaded to ClubLog <www.clublog.org/charts/?c&#65533;2C&a&#65533;bed >
on a daily basis, and any news posted will be on the T32C website. For more details/updates, visit their Web page at: http://www.t32c.com

T32, EAST KIRIBATI. Dave, VO1AU, will be active as T32AU from Kiritimati Island (aka Christmas Island, OC-024) during January 2012. Specific dates were
not provided. QSL via VO1MX only for the 2012 operation.

T6, AFGHANISTAN. Les, WB8LES, Defense Contractor pilot who is stationed in FOB (Forward Operation Base) Shank, Loghar Province, Afghanistan, is expected to be active as T6LB soon. He was sent an ICOM 706 and some other parts for building antennas this past week. Les will be posting updates and the times and frequencies (for 40/20 meters) on QRZ.com for those who need a T6 confirmation.

T7, SAN MARINO. Ivo, 9A3A/E73A, will activate the Amateurs Radio Republic of San Marino (A.R.R.S.M.) club station T70A during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via T70A, by the Bureau. Also via LoTW.

TA, TURKEY. Hartwig, DL7BC, will once again be active as TA2/DL7BC during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via his home callsign.

TF, ICELAND. Siggi, TF3CW, has announced that he will be active in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as Single-Op/Single-Band (20m) entry. QSL via LX1NO.

TX5, MARQUESAS ISLANDS (Update to OPDX.1030/Reminder). The international team of operators will start making their way to Hatiheu, Nuku Hiva (OC-027) sometime this week to be active between October 19th and November 1st. The whole team should be in the Pacific area (Tahiti) on October 15th. For more details, visit the TX7M Web page at: http://www.tx7m.com

WP3, PUERTO RICO (NA-099). Alfredo, WP3C, will be active during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 18-19th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. His activity will also count for the WLOTA as LH-2802. QSL via W3HNK, direct preferred, but Bureau is OK. Visit his web page at: http://www.wp3c.qth.com

XV2, VIETNAM. YL operators Do/HL1KDW and Kyoko/JR3MVF will be active as XV2KDW and XV2YL, respectively from Ho Chi Minh City until October 12th. Activity will be on 20/15 meters. QSL via their home callsign.

XU7 & XV2, CAMBODIA AND VIETNAM. Mal, VK6LC, will be on a "DX Vacation". He is expected to be in Cambodia (XU7) between November 5-20th; callsign was not provided, and he did not mention if he will operate. From XU7, he will then return once again to Vietnam and will be active as XV2LC from Vung Tau between December 2-8th. He states that this will be a dedicated 30 day "Culture Tour" of Cambodia (XU7) in November and Vung Tau, Vietnam, in December (on route for 7 days in October, he will be in 9M2 Malaysia). Activity will be on 20/17/12 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign, only direct. He does NOT use the QSL Bureau.

ZD8, ASCENSION ISLAND. Operators Allan/W6HGF/ZD8F and Tom/K7ZZ/ZD8ZZ will be active from Garden Cottage on top of Green Mountain on Ascension Island (AF-003) sometime in early November for two weeks. Look for Allan to focus on RTTY, while Tom will provide the CW operations. QSL via their home callsigns direct only or LoTW. More details will be forthcoming.

ZS7, ANTARCTICA. Gerard, ZS6KX, is currently active as ZS6KX/ZS7 (until he receives his ZS7KX callsign) from the SANAE 4 Base, Vesleskarvet, Queen Maude Land (AA ZS-03, WAP ZAF-03, WFF ZSFF-026), until February 2012. Activity is mainly on 20 meters SSB (check around 14175 at 1400z), and when weather permits.

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OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):

http://www.papays.com/opdx.html

ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:

http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html

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OJ0, MARKET REEF (Press Release - FINAL RUN AT MARKET REEF LIGHTHOUSE):
Helsinki - October 10, 2011
The following report came from Martti, OH2BH / OJ0X.
--- 73 Jarmo OH2BN

Monday morning, October 10th
OJ0X: FINAL RUN AT MARKET REEF LIGHTHOUSE

When OJ0X was set to be active for four weeks with a string of operators,
some targets were outlined. With a target of 50.000 QSOs, it was estimated
that some specials could be done with an always changing propagation. These
were RTTY and higher bands, such as 10M and 12M, still needed by most. Also
a huge effort was put into low-band antennas by Dieter, DL3DXX and Ilmo,
OH2BO. Yes, the 50K mark was passed, and you can look at the results at
<http://www.clublog.org/charts/?c=0X> with some of the latest logs still
to be uploaded. Thanks are due to Nigel, G3TXF; Carsten, DL6LAU and Pertti,
OH2PM for their efforts. They all missed Market Reef because of weather
related schedule issues.

The always popular QRZ.COM callsign database was augmented with an OJ0X
record, with the website normally attracting people as a matter of course.
The added OJ0X feature became quite popular, now in a different way, with
a total of more than 100.000 visits registered. Thanks are due to Mario,
9H5QB and Vlad, UA6JD who did a superb job. See their labor of love at
<http://www.qrz.com/db/OJ0X>

It was also decided to integrate a humorous segment into the website in
the shape of four fictitious monks living in harmony with the DXpedition
in a remote outpost. While it was hopefully entertaining, it also unveiled
some mysteries always looming on the horizon during a DXpedition. Just go
and visit the lonely monks at <http://www.qrz.com/db/OJ0X#mnk>

By way of contrast, the four solitary monks had two wonderful ladies helping to make all the practicalities work, in addition to the more than 50.000 QSOs. While we thank the Finnish Lighthouse Society (FLS) for their overall cooperation, we would also like to recognize Teija Sj�holm and Liisa Oksanen as great companions and hope that they will not suffer the Stockholm Syndrome for Zero X-ray. For all the press releases and Monk's Diary, Jarmo, OH2BN provided great help, being at the end of a very sporadic data connection.

As our ordeal has now come to an end with an again worsening weather, we hope that our skillful captain, Mats Sj�str�m will take us off the island
first thing Tuesday morning. Fun as it was, our adventure now comes to a conclusion. But the good news is that Harri, OH6VM/OJ0VM will come to Market Reef for a one-month stay as the renovated lighthouse needs to be looked after and kept dry. Harri will use the two stations and antennas that we may have to leave behind since our group is scheduled to be taken off by a small outboard boat. See daily FLS reporting at <http://www.majakkaseura.fi/fin/market/marketin_paivakirja_2011/> where the OJ0X group is covered extensively.

And, if everything jells, we may send out another small team to activate Market Reef for the first time in the CQWW SSB contest in a few weeks while hopefully taking our equipment out before the sea starts to freeze over. It is hoped that OJ0-land will be kept as another target location also in 2012 for those who want to experience DXotica at its best. We would like thank FLS chairman Pekka Vaisanen and the FLS Market Reef chair lady, Angela Eriksson, for their great cooperation.

Finally, these expeditions would not happen without those thousands of individuals who give us a reason to go to rare places and hopefully provide an enjoyable show on our Broadway -- the radio waves.

The year 2011 soon comes to an end, and it is time to salute our friends and dear ones -- specifically our families that continue to live through these wonderful adventures. In my personal case, for the past 50 years.

To OJ0X operators DH7SA, DL3DXX, DL5CW, SP5XVY, OH1TV, OH2BAD, OH2BO, OH5BM, OH1ND, SM0W and SM6U, I say thanks for a job well done.

Martti Laine, OH2BH
Radio Arcala

P.S. We are still on Market Reef and will keep two stations on until Monday evening European time. Hopefully not any longer.

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Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network and G3XTT for the following DX information.

T32C PRESS RELEASE (Bulletin 8): "With two weeks still to go, T32C now has over 100k QSOs in the log, including 22k with Europe (and 23k with Asia), our target area. As the JA and US pile-ups continue to diminish, we hope the percentage of EU will increase. However, the decline in solar activity since we first started has not helped. That said, we are on track to set at least a few new records.

We have been increasingly active on RTTY, with 6.5k QSOs now on that mode and increasing rapidly. The demand for RTTY, as all DXpeditions have discovered in recent years, seems to be never ending.

We continue to cover as many band/mode openings as we can, with the equipment we carried here - we are well aware that the situation would have been better had our container of equipment arrived, as we would have had the opportunity to install a greater variety of antennas, and would have had linears at all operating positions. Nevertheless, we feel justified in pressing ahead with the expedition - 100k QSOs in 9 days, Field Day style, can't be bad! That said, it has been a constant battle to keep everything working - an antenna party a week into our operation found lots of saltwater corrosion in connections and coax and guys that were badly abraded, just as one example. We are currently able to operate two stations simultaneously on 10, 15 and 20 and are looking at being able to do the same on 12 and 17 to make the most of the main band openings, but with limited coaxial cable (it's heavy to hand carry!) we are having trouble achieving the antenna separation we ideally need.

There is a team changeover tomorrow (Wednesday our time), when 11 operators leave and another 11 arrive, with 16 remaining for the whole period. The incoming team are bringing a couple more FT-450D radios and one more amplifier, as well as some other useful items. We stopped operations for a couple of hours yesterday evening our time for a party to wish the

outgoing operators well.

It's not all work, work, work here on Christmas. Apart from last night's "Christmas Party" (which was, naturally, attended by Santa himself), a couple of groups' have been deep-sea fishing when not on operating duty, with great success. The local people that we have met in our travels have been, without exception, friendly and helpful. It's a fascinating location, with some equally fascinating history (some of which appears on our website).

Don G3XTT
T32C Publicity Officer"

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975. [DXNL] DXNL 1749 (Oct 12, 2011)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-11 20:51:25 UTC
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D4, CAPE VERDE, AF-086
Achim,DL1DAW, is going to spend his holidays with XYL and HAM radio
on Sal Island (AF-086) from Oct 12-18. He will be QRV as D44TZN in
SSB, CW and RTTY on 80-10m using 100 watts and a simple wire antenna.
His focus will be on the WAG contest and "holiday style" during the
rest of the time. QSL via homecall sowie LoTW, see alos QRZ.com.

An Italian team including I4UFH, IZ4DPV, IK2NCJ, IK1HJS, IZ8FWN,
IZ4UEZ and IT9SPB is active as D4C from Oct 10-30.
QSL via IZ4DPV (direct) or CT1ESV (bureau).

F, FRANCE
Sergio,F/IZ4BBF, member of the MO-DX-IT (MOdena-DX-Italian-Team), will
be QRV from Sainte Marguerite Island (EU-058, DIFM ME020, MIA MF-028)
from Oct 13-16. Listen for him in CW and SSB on the usual IOTA QRGs
on 40m-10m funken. QSL via homecall.
See also QRZ.com and http://www.MODXIT.it

FO/M, MARQUESAS ISLANDS
R3FA, UT5UY, UR5MID, FO5QB, US7UX, RU3UR, US0KW, UU4JMG, UX0LL, RK7A
and UA7A will be QRV from Tahiti and the Marquesas Islands signing:
TX3T (Oct 16-19, Nov 1-4, QTH: Papeete, Tahiti OC-046)
TX7M (Oct 19-Nov 1, QTH: Hatiheu, Nuku Hiva, OC-027, Marquesas Islands)
TX5A (Oct 28-30, CQWW SSB, QTH: Hatiheu, Nuku Hiva, OC-027, Marquesas)
The team wants to focus on the lowbands and Europe.
Online QSL requests are possible at: http://www.tx7m.com/qsl.php
Direct QSLs via RZ3EC, the log will be uploaded to the LoTW as well.

OA, PERU
Hans,OA/OE3NHW, is QRV again until March 2012. Rig: TS-480HX,
Spider Beam and G5RV (16m). QSL via homecall.

Juergen,OA4/DJ2VO, is working in CW on 40m-10m (maybe also 80m) using
100 watts and a vertical until the end of October. QSL via homecall.

UR, UKRAINE
The special event stations EM15UCRF (UT3UZ), EM15E (UR5EDX),
EM15H (UR7HAJ), EM15I (UT5IM), EM15J (UU0JX), EM15L (UR5LO),
EM15M (UR3MP), EM15PA (US9PA), EM15Q (UR4QX), EM15R (UT5RX),
EN15J (UU5JW), EN15L (UT5LO) and EO15L (UX1LA) are celebrating
15 years of the Ukrainian State Centre of Radio Frequencies (UCRF)
from Oct 12-19. QSLs via homecalls.

The special event station EM800BZB (WCA: UR-00119, UCFA: TE-006) is
activated during the festivities of the 800 anniversary of Zbarazh city
from Oct 14-16. QSL via UY5BC (direct: Box 80, Ternopil 46001, Ukraine)

ZK1, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS, OC-013
N7OU will be active as E51NOU from South Cook (OC-013) between Oct 17
and Nov 7. QSL via homecall.

ZK2, NIUE, OC-040
Chris,GM3WOJ/GM2V, is expected to show up as ZK2V from Niue (OC-040)
starting around Oct 15. He will take part in the CQ WWDX CW Contest
in November as well. Chris hopes to become active from a new QTH in
about two months to minimize the local QRN on 160m and 80m.
Keith,GM4YXI/GM5X, will join him for the first two weeks of the
DXpedition and also the CQ WWDX SSB Contest (Oct 29/30) in the SOABHP
class signing ZK2X. QSLs via N3SL, bureau, direct and LoTW.
Their website is: http://www.zk2v.com

ZS7, ANTARCTICA, AN-016
Gerard,ZS6KX, is now working as ZS7KX (not ZS6KX/7 anymore) from
Queen Maud Land in SSB on 14.175 MHz around 1400 UTC. He will stay
until February 2012 and wants to put up also an antenna for 18 MHz.

JOTA/JOTI
The scouts are meeting again for the Jamboree On The Air and the
Jamboree On The Internet on Oct 15-16. For more information see:
http://www.scout.org/en/information_events/events/jota/the_54th_jota_2011

SOUTHEAST ASIA DXPEDITIONS
Charles,HS0ZCW, is willing to help with DXpeditions starting from
Bangkok. The new airport has a lot of connections and Bangkok plenty
of good and cheap hotels. There are hundreds of electronic shops in
the area of Bon Mhor. They don't sell yagis for below 10m. All Yaesu
radios can be sold for export but jhave to be ordered in advance.

ITU: The ITU has accepted South Sudan as the 193rd member on Oct 3.

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Oct 15: Whitestick Day Contest
Oct 15/16: South America SSB Contest
Oct 15/16: JARTS WW RTTY Contest
Oct 15/16: QRP ARCI QSO Party
Oct 15/16: WAG Contest
Oct 16: Asia Pacific Sprint Contest
Oct 15/16: Polish BPSK63 WW Contest
Oct 29/30: CQ WWDX Contest, SSB
Nov 26/27: CQ WWDX Contest, CW

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
EU-004, EA6, Balearic Islands: Mike,EA6/DL4ABO, wants to become active from
Mallorca (WLOTA: 1902) from Oct 19-24. He plans to work mainly in CW
on 30m with his FT-817 (QRP). QSL via DL4ABO.

EU-023, 9H, Malta group: Eight German HAMs (DG0OHD, DK8YY, DL1AOB, DL1AWD,
DL4JS, DL5AOL, DL8ALU and DO5KO) will show up as 9H9OB from Malta
from Oct 14-22. Operation is planned in SSB, CW and digital modes
on HF and 2m inlcuding the WAG Contest. QSL via DH7WW (bureau/direct).

EU-110, 9A, Istra group: Ampelio,9A/IK3JBP, Calogero,9A/IW3ILP,
Silverio,9A/IK3IUL, and Giacomo,9A/IZ3DBA, will be active in SSB and CW
on 80m-10m from Porer Island from Oct 14-16. QSLs via homecalls.

NA-089, W5, Louisiana State East group: Dragan,K0AP/5, Hector,AD6D/5, and
Mike,AB5EB/5, are going to hit the airwaves from Grand Island with two
stations, 3ele yagi and verticals in SSB/CW on 10m-40m from Oct 14-16.
QSLs via homecalls (bureau/direct).

Bandspots of the last 7 days

40m
ZM4T 7.100 0546Z via ZL2AL (B), (L)

30m
PA/DL2VFR 10.119 1743Z via DL2VFR (B)
KH6MB 10.124 0513Z (L), (d)

20m
FK8DD 14.037 0537Z via LZ1JZ
N4EX 14.063 1639Z SOTA CM-005
NM5S 14.061 1720Z (L), SOTA W1/MB-001
N4EX 14.063 1639Z SOTA CM005
NM5S 14.061 1720Z W1/MB001
OG5N 14.010 1213Z EU-096, via OH1CQ
OJ0X 14.253 1214Z via OH2BH (B)
OJ0X 14.015 0547Z via OH2BH (B)
UK/UA1ZEY 14.024 1607Z via UA1ZEY
UN9LFF 14.015 0455Z via LZ1YE (d)

VE2/HB9IAB/p 14.061 1746Z SOTA QC-003
VK4KW 14.226 0614Z via N3SL (d), (L)
WA2USA 14.063 1640Z (B), SOTA CM-005
XU7SSB 14.030 1540Z via JA2EZD (d)
ZL1CT 14.197 0640Z via N3SL (B)
4J0K 14.011 0531Z via RW6HS (d)
7Z1HJ 14.020 0445Z

17m
N4EX 18.087 1735Z SOTA WM-039
OJ0X 18.140 1534Z via OH2BH (B)
WA2USA 18.087 1736Z (B), SOTA WM-039

15m
A65CJ 21.007 1600Z via JA1DXA
HZ1PS 21.195 1318Z via IZ8CLM (B), (L)
KH6MB 21.020 1732Z (L), (d)
NH7O 21.252 0650Z via EA5GL (d)
VK4FJ 21.217 1312Z (B)
7N1PRD/0 21.016 1231Z (L), (d)

12m
V63DX 24.894 0739Z OC-010, via JA7HMZ (B)

10m
BA7LO 28.027 1107Z (B), (L), eQSL
SU1SK 28.020 1555Z via SM5AQD (d)
UA0BA 28.009 1137Z
YB4IR 28.018 1452Z (L), (d), eQSL

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(L) = LoTW
(r) = bureau QSL via e-mail request

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

-08Oct 2M1EUB 1747
-Dec 3Y8XSA 1700/1717
Sep 3Z25ZJP 1745
-25Oct 5B50J 1700
01Oct-31Oct 5N51.. 1748
03Oct-15Oct 5N7Q 1748
-Apr/12 5Z4RH ? 1674
-23Nov 7Q7HB 1717/1743
-30Nov 8J1MORSE.. 1731
-31Oct 8J2SUN 1748
-31Dec 9A11P 1723
-21Nov 9A20V 1743
14Oct-16Oct 9A/IK3IUL.. 1749 *

08Oct-14Oct 9H3KX 1748
14Oct-22Oct 9H3OB 1749 *
-2012 9J2RI 1739/1742
NOW 9M2/KM9D 1731
LONGTERM 9N1FE 1740
SOON 9Q1EK 1669
-Nov 9Q6CC 1699

29Sep-18Oct A22EW 1747
-? A35CT 1741
-31Dec BP100 1684
-31Dec BV100 1684
16Sep-19Oct CE2/CX1EK 1746
01Oct-31Oct CJ3A 1747
-31Dec CW5RV 1711
05Oct-31Dec CY0/VE1AWW 1748
-Apr/12? D2SG 1748
10Oct-30Oct D4C 1749 *
12Oct-18Oct D44TZN 1749 *
17Oct-07Nov E51NOU 1749 *
19Oct-24Oct EA6/DL4ABO 1749 *
09Oct-17Oct EA8/DL3FVG 1748
12Oct-19Oct EM15UCRF.. 1749 *
14Oct-16Oct EM800BZB 1749 *

13Oct-16Oct F/IZ4BBF 1748/1749 *
-Mar/13 FH8NX 1747
04Oct-26Oct FR/DJ7RJ 1747
-Jul/12 FR8NE 1710
-31Dec GB40HMSB 1748
-28Oct GB650JP 1748
08Oct-21Oct H40KJ 1748
05Oct-13Oct HK0/DL5YWM 1748
-31Dec HB60LU 1711
-6Nov HF36POL 1746
-31Dec HG15IPA 1724
01Jan-31Dec HG200LST 1708
Sep -2013 HI3/KL7JR 1745
-16Nov HK3JCL 1743
NOW HL2/KC6STQ 1746

01Jan-31Dec IA7MM 1708
01Jan-31Dec II1ITA.. 1708
-31Dec II4LXV 1742
-2012 J28FJ 1739
-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul/12 J28RO 1683
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
-Oct JG8NQJ/JD1 (M) 1739
14Oct-16Oct K0AP/5 1749 *
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680

-Mai/12 KH4/W5FJG 1728
POSTPONED KH5 1674/1705/1741
-31Dec LA200D 1713
-31Dec LM9L40Y 1748
-31Dec LZ85R 1721
-31Oct OA4/DJ2VO 1749 *
-Mar/12 OA/OE3NHW 1749 *

-Mar/12 P29FR 1742
01Jan-31Dec PA30.. 1708
07Oct-03Nov PG540BUFFALO.. 1748
-15Oct PZ5LP 1664/1746
-30Nov R300ML 1743
-Dec RI1ANC 1708
SOON RI1F/UA1PBA 1740
-Sep/12 RI1FJA 1741
-Sep/12 RI1FJM 1741
-30Nov S550ACP 1745
NOW ST2AR 1745
-30Nov SU/HA3JB 1743
-26Oct T32C 1740
-Nov T5/TA1AMC 1745
-Apr/12 T6BP 1746
-Nov T6FR 1742
Oct T6LB 1747
-Jun/12 T6MO 1733
-Nov T6SH 1734
16Oct-01Nov TX3T.. 1749 *
-13Oct UK/UA1ZEY 1748

10Oct-05Nov V47JA.. 1748
-Dec/11 VK0BFG 1741
-Mar/12 VK0KEV (Macq) 1700/1701
NOW VK0TH (Macq) 1748
28Oct-31Dec VP9/N1SV 1747
29Oct/30Oct VP9I 1747
-2014 XE1/DM3DL 1730
-14Nov XF1/K5ENS 1739
NOW XT2RJA 1712
-Oct XU7AAA.. 1716/1748
-31Oct VC3ARCI 1748
-14Oct YJ0ABP.. 1746
-12Oct YJ0VK 1747
15Oct-29Dec ZK2V.. 1749 *
19Aug-31Oct ZL4RUGBY 1741
-31Dec ZL50GH 1711
-Oct ZL6RWC 1744
-2012 ZS7KX 1740/1749 *

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

A61LL via EA5ZD
A61M via EA5GL (*)
CP8/DF7NX via DF7NX
D4C via CT1ESV (B) / IZ4DPV (d)
D44TZN via DL1DAW (B)
E51NOU via N7OU (B)
E73A via 9A2AA
E7/ZL1SLO via ZL1SLO (B)
EG7LLJ via EA7URJ
EM15E via R5EDX
EM15H via UR7HAJ
EM15I via UT5IM
EM15J via UU0JX
EM15L via UR5LO
EM15M via UR3MP
EM15PA via US9PA (B)
EM15Q via UR4QX
EM15R via UT5RX
EM15UCRF via UT3UZ (B)
EM800BZB via UY5BC (d)
EN15J via UU5JW
EN15L via UT5LO
EO15L via UX1LA
ER8C via ER1DA (B)
EZ7V via RW6HS (d)
F/IZ4BBF via IZ4BBF (B), (L), eQSL
GB11NH via G4OSB (B)
GB2ROC (d)
GB40HMSB via G0TOC (B)
GB5WVR via 2E1HQY (B), eQSL
GB650JP (B) automatically
H40KJ via SP7DQR (B), (L)
HB9IRC via HB9OCR (B)
HB9SFGB via HB9EDG (B), (L), eQSL
HB9SPACE via HB9ACA (B)
HF100MSC via SP1NQF (B)
ID9/DL4KM/p via DL4KM (B)
IG9/I2ADN via I2ADN (B)
IQ5HC via IZ5RLK (B)
J49XB via DJ9XB (B)
JW8DW via LA8DW (B), (L)
K4L via N4NX (d)
KJ4YDW/6Y5 via KJ4YDW
LA6Q via LA9VDA (B)
LT0H via EA7FTR
LU1EHR via EA5KB (B)
LU6EE via EA5KB (B)
LU7FOJ via EA5KB (B)
M0/RK3DT via RK3DT

MS0WRC via G0MTD (B)
OA4/DJ2VO via DJ2VO
OA6/OE3NHW via OE3NHW (B), (L), eQSL
OG0I via OH2TA (B)
OG2A via OH2RA (B)
OG5N via OH1CQ
OG6K via OH6MSZ
OK8FK via DK7FK (B)
ON8HS via 9K2HS (B)
OZ/DF8LD/p via DF8LD (B)
OZ/DJ2AS via DJ2AS (B)
OZ/DK1AW via DK1AW (B)
OZ/DL4AMK via DL4AMK (B)
OZ/DL5ASE via DL5ASE (B)
PA/DL1EAL via DL1EAL (B), (L), eQSL
PA/DL2VFR via DL2VFR (B)
PG540BUFFALO via PA2REH
PG540BUFFALO/J via PA0SNY
R230Z via UA6GX
R80TV via R7AA (B)
RA/UT2LA via UT2LA (B)
RA3CQ via M0OXO (B), (L), OQRS
RV7AB via DL6ZFG (B)
SA3D via SM3WMU
XU7AAA via JA2EZD (*) (d)
XU7SSB via JA2EZD (*) (d)
YU/ZL1SLO via ZL1SLO (B)
ZK2V via N3SL (B), (L)
ZK2X via N3SL (B), (L)
ZS2DL via NI5DX (B)
ZS3Y via SQ8X (B)
ZS7KX via ZS6KX
ZW8TS via PS8NF
4J0K via RW6HS (d)
5N7Q via DF8DX (B), (L)
5Z4/PA5M via PA7FM
6O0M via PA7FM
7X2ARA via DF4SA (B, only Sep/2011)
9A/IK3IUL via IK3IUL (B)
9A/IK3JBP via IK3JBP (B)
9A/IW3ILP via IW3ILP (B)
9A/IZ3DBA via IZ3DBA (B)
9G1YE via PA3ERA (B)
9N1FE via EA5ZD or eQSL

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(*) = new QSL manager
(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) = e-mail request

QSLs arrived direct: HB60RF (HB9DDS), MN0VFW/p (MI0PRM), ST0R (EA5RM),
VK0KEV (JE1LET), PJ6D (W5OZI), XX9LT (XX9AH),
5B50J (5B4AHJ), 9H0HSJ (9H1VC)

QSLs arrived LoTW: ZL4RUGBY

CEPT proposes frequency allocation for amateur radio on medium wave
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A small allocation of about 15 kHz in parts of the 500 kHz band to the amateur radio service on a secondary basis - this proposal has been made by a project team of about 50 representatives of European governments and other stakeholders in preparation for the next World Radiocommunication Conference WRC12. They followed an invitation of the Federal Network Agency in Germany and met by the end of September in Mainz. The discussion led to a compromise in the size of the amateur radio band, namely 480 kHz - 472 kHz, with a maximum power of 5 W EIRP. Apart from Colin Thomas,G3PSM, representing the IARU Region 1 and John Gould,G3WKL, for the British Amateur Radio Association RSGB, were Peter Frey,HB9MQM, and Ulrich Mueller,DK4VW, DARC representative for frequency management, each member of the Swiss or German delegation. Nine administrations have declared their willingness to support the results of the discussion as a joint European proposal at the last meeting of the CEPT's WRC Conference Preparatory Group in November 2011 in Bucharest. It is likely that other governments may join this result of the meeting Mainz, so that the CEPT on behalf of all its members could go to the WRC12 taking place in Geneva in Jan/Feb 2012.

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976. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 03 - 09 October 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-11 21:30:06 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20111011213001.7A84033C94@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3966
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:Issued: 2011 Oct 11 1854 UTC
Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
#
Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
03 - 09 October 2011

Solar activity was low. Isolated to occasional C-class flares
occurred on each day of the period. Regions 1302 (N13, L=280,
class/area Fkc/1070 on 28 September), 1305 (N12, L=248, class/area
Chi/250 on 03 October), and 1313 (S15, L=117, class/area Dai/180 on
06 October) were the principal flare producers during the period.
The largest flare of the period was a C9/Sf at 05/1242 UTC from
Region 1313. No earth-directed CMEs were observed during the period.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit reached
high levels during 03 - 05 October. Normal to moderate levels were
observed during 06 - 09 October.

Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet to unsettled levels during
03 - 04 October. Activity increased to quiet to minor storm levels
on 05 October following a geomagnetic sudden impulse at 05/0742 UTC
(19 nT, Boulder USGS magnetometer), with major storm levels observed
at high latitudes, due to multiple CME passages at Earth. Activity
decreased to quiet to unsettled levels during 06 - 08 October. An
increase to quiet to (briefly) active levels occurred on 09 October
associated with a solar sector boundary change.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
12 October - 07 November 2011

Solar activity is expected to be at very low to low levels during 12
- 17 October, with a slight chance for moderate levels. An increase
to low levels is expected during 18 - 23 October, with a chance for
moderate levels and a slight chance for high levels; due to the
returns of old Regions 1302 and 1305 on 18 October and 20 October,
respectively.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit. There will be a slight chance for a proton event at geosynchronous orbit during 18 - 31 October due to the return of old Region 1302.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at normal to moderate levels during 12 - 27 October. Flux levels are expected to increase to moderate to high levels during 28 October - 01 November in response to coronal hole high-speed stream (CH HSS) effects. Flux levels are expected to decrease to normal to moderate levels during 02 - 07 November.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be at quiet levels during most of the period. However, quiet to unsettled levels are expected during 15 - 17 October, 28 - 30 October, and 03 - 05 November due to CH HSS effects.

977. The ARRL Contest Update for October 12, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-13 12:37:15 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20111013041748.9F87E25952@bmail.arrl.org>
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The ARRL Contest Update

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NEW HF OPERATORS - THINGS TO DO

The largest phone contest of the year - CQ World Wide SSB
<http://www.cqww.com/> - is right around the corner. It's the biggest
sporting event the rest of the world has never heard of with 30,000 or
more individual participants! Before filling your log with DX, the ARRL
School Club Roundup <http://www.arrl.org/school-club-roundup-scr> and
Jamboree On the Air <http://www.arrl.org/jamboree-on-the-air-jota> are
great ways to make contact with our younger operators - give them a
call!

BULLETINS

There are no bulletins in this issue.

BUSTED QSOS

The editor is blissfully unaware of any sins of commission or omission
in the last issue.

CONTEST SUMMARY

Complete information for all contests follows the Conversation section

Oct 15-16
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- ARRL School Club Roundup (Oct 17-21)
- NAQCC Monthly QRP Sprint--CW (Oct 12)
- CWops Monthly Mini-CWT Test (Oct 12)
- Great Pumpkin Sprint--Digital
- Arucaria VHF Contest
- JARTS WW RTTY Contest
- 10-10 Fall CW QSO Party
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- Asia-Pacific Sprint--CW
- Illinois QSO Party
- Spooky Feld-Hell Sprint
- Run For the Bacon--CW (Oct 17)

Oct 22-23

- ARRL EME Contest
- Fall VHF Sprints (902+ MHz)
- FOC QSO Party--CW
- Scandinavian YLRA Contest
- Stew Perry Warmup Contest--CW
- W/VE Islands QSO Party

==> NEWS, PRESS RELEASES, AND GENERAL INTEREST

Happy birthday to the legendary Parkes radio telescope antenna - thanks for 50 years of service <http://www.cio.com.au/article/402613/australia_celebrates_50_years_dish_/?fp=16> as of 31 October! Seen in the movie, "The Dish" (highly recommended - Ed.), the antenna was a crucial element in the early years of the United States' manned space program. 64 meters across, the facility is located in New South Wales, Australia, not far from its namesake town.

Your Noise is My Command <http://research.microsoft.com/en-us/um/redmond/groups/cue/publications/chi2011_rfgestures_cohn.pdf> is a paper on using the body as a sense antenna for touch-type control explores the electromagnetic environment of the typical home. It makes for very interesting reading as to how the RF "fog" can be used as the basis for control by using gestures. No word on what happens when strong local contest-style RF is about but perhaps our emissions could eventually change from bugs to features! (Thanks, Brian K1BRF)

Eminently less approachable than the BBC's programmes, the Russian Short Wave Radio Enigma <http://www.wired.com/magazine/2011/09/ff_uvb76/> was featured in a recent Wired magazine story. The station, on 4625 kHz LSB if you're interested, transmits what are thought to be messages to a far-flung espionage empire.

"Ham's Eye View
<http://www.eetimes.com/electronics-blogs/4228868/-A-Hams-Eye-View>" -
a blog on ham radio-related topics - has been inaugurated for the
electrical and electronic engineering magazine EDN in their website's
Planet Analog section. The author is WRTC 2014 chair and perennial
inhabitant of Top Ten contest results, Doug Grant, K1DG.

George VE3ERP is retiring from maintaining his HAMCALC
<http://www.cq-amateur-radio.com/cq_ham_calc/cq_ham_calc.html> package
of calculators for radio problems. Updating the literally dozens of
small utilities to run with current operating systems may be under way
by other volunteers but for now development will stop at the current
version, 129. We thank George for his years of service (the package was
first released in 1995) and the valuable contribution to ham radio!

In between the great openings on the high bands, a contest that is
running 24/7 is just over your heads. The ARISSat-1
<http://www.arissat1.org/> satellite has a lot of orbits left before it
hits the skids, so to speak, but if you have a good prediction for the
date of its demise, you should enter the ARISSat Chicken Little Contest
<http://www.amsat.org/amsat-new/ARISSat/ARISSatContest> which ends on
Oct 15th, possibly along with ARISSat-1. While it's still whirling
around up there, ARISSat-1 is transmitting the call signs of famous
hams via CW on 145.92 MHz. Copy those call signs and enter the CW
contest with information as shown at the satellite's website. This
might be especially fun for student teams! (Thanks, AMSAT
<http://www.amsat.org/> bulletin ANS-282)

Tiny San Marino, T7, is one of the world's smallest DXCC entities.
(Quick! What are the other two nano-entities within the borders of
Italy. Answers below...) This NY Times story
<http://www.nytimes.com/2011/10/11/sports/soccer/san-marino-soccer-team-plays-on-despite-l
ittle-shot-at-winning-or-scoring.html>
provides some interesting background on one of our favorite
multipliers. (Thanks, Brian N9ADG)

Citigroup researchers might want to listen to 20 meters during the
upcoming CQ WW SSB contest before deciding there might not be a
spectrum shortage
<http://www.networkworld.com/news/2011/093011-citigroup-questions-if-us-spectrum-251472.ht
ml>.
There seems to be quite a bit of spectrum that was purchased
speculatively but is as yet unused.

If you want to give a little emphasis in an email without coming across
as shouting, here's a suggestion: Place asterisks around what you want
to be noticed - for example, *notice this* instead of NOTICE THIS. Many
browsers, wikis, and other text-display software will display text
between asterisks in bold font. This lets you get your point across
more politely. Of course, if you really WANT to shout, the CAPS LOCK
key is just a pinky away.

If you are looking for Jamboree On the Air stations this weekend, here's a link <http://www.scouting.org/jota.aspx> to the Boy Scouts of America information page that includes an updated list of stations registered for JOTA activity.

Web Site of the Week - Long may it wave...but not much longer. The transmissions of BBC's station Radio 4 <http://www.guardian.co.uk/media/2011/oct/09/bbc-radio4-long-wave-goodbye> on 198 kHz emanate from a pair of meter-high "valves" that are irreplaceable. Once the remaining store of the big bottles is gone, the broadcasts may well go dark. On the air since 1926 and serving areas out of range of FM stations, transmission moved to 200 kHz in 1934 and then to 198 kHz where it can be found today. (Thanks, Tomas NW7US)

WORD TO THE WISE

Acrostic - The last issue's wonderings about "hamonyms" made from the letters of a call sign prodded Paul WB2ABD to respond, "I believe those are called "acrostics <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Acrostic>"." That's as close as I've seen - perhaps we should call them "hamcrostics".

==> SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

Last week's webinar, "CQ WW Update 2011" hosted by K3EST, KR2Q, and K1AR is now available on the Potomac Valley Radio Club's <http://www.pvrc.org/> website under the "Recorded Webinars" link. (Thanks, Ken K4ZW)

The recent Pacific NW VHF Society convention was held in scenic Bend, Oregon and well-documented in this Picasa photo album <https://picasaweb.google.com/105873817851394269500/PNWVHS2011?authuser=0&feat=directlink> .
Check out the double-rainbow-sunrise picture! Other pictures put faces behind familiar call signs from the Northwest - good job, host committee! (Thanks, Barry WA7KVC)

If you think you might want to see what the rocket sees, here's a terrific video from within Derek Deville's Qu8k <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rvDqoxMUroA&feature=share> ("quake") as it ascends from the floor of the Nevada desert to 121,000 feet in a few seconds - an attempt to claim the Carmack Prize <http://blog.crashspace.org/2011/03/the-carmack-prize/>. This would definitely be in the High Power category!

==> RESULTS AND RECORDS

The extended version of the 2011 ARRL June VHF QSO Party results - an excellent piece by Rick K1DS - will be online <http://www.arrl.org/contest-results-articles> in a day or two for your reading enjoyment! There is a very nice adventureroverama by Steve N2CEI and Sandra K4SME, as well. (Thanks, ARRL Contest Branch Manager, Sean KX9X)

Chris 9A5K has developed new contest log processing software for the latest EU Spring Sprint contests. The results for CW <http://www.hamradio.hr/eusprint/en/index.php?pageid=4&contestid=12&showmode=final> and Phone <http://www.hamradio.hr/eusprint/en/index.php?pageid=4&contestid=13&showmode=final> are now online. (Thanks to the EU Sprint Committee)

Those two entities are: 1A0 (Sov. Order of the Knights of Malta) and the Vatican (HV).

OPERATING TIP

Pat WW9R contributes this tip for computer logging - "I find it helpful to run a strip of masking tape above the Function keys and mark what each one does. Then, in the heat of the battle or when you get really tired, you can find all the messages! I fill all available CW messages with something like "73""GL" "?" "AGN" and the individual parts of the exchange; sometimes a slowed-down version of the exchange so I don't need to touch the CW speed setting."

==> TECHNICAL TOPICS AND INFORMATION

Howie WA4PSC posted this extended set of instructions that describe the broadcast industry standard for weatherproofing coaxial cable connections. Adapt to your own circumstances.

When sealed correctly in the following manner the weatherproofing will last for years and withstand just about any weather. When cut open for service, the mated connected pair will be dry and shiny. This is the broadcast industry standard - others may have different methods that work well for them so the usual caveats apply. Since ham radio is a hobby, there is less financial pressure to make installations bulletproof but if the weatherproofing fails atop a tower in the dead of winter, you will rue the day you didn't do the job right.

1) Arrange the cable so that it can form a drip loop near the connector. Keeping water away from the connector is important. Support the cable at or near the drip loop to reduce flexing at the connector which can cause weatherproofing failure.

2) Thoroughly clean the connector body/cable/antenna connector body where the weatherproofing will be applied. Adhesion is greatly degraded by dust or grease.

3) Lay down a flat, non-wrinkled single layer of 3/4" Scotch electrical tape extending several inches out on the cable jacket and/or antenna connector and covering the mated connector bodies. This provides a clean surface for the self-fusing butyl tape layer and protects the connectors from the butyl adhesive. Some recommend flipping the initial layer upside-down over the connector to keep adhesive residue off of the connector bodies but in my experience this is a non-issue if quality tape is used, such as Scotch 33+ or 88+.

4) Apply a layer of self-fusing butyl tape, stopping an inch from each end of the initial layer. This is the main waterproofing layer, so it is important to keep the butyl warm and thoroughly massage it into a homogenous mass around the the connector assembly. In the winter, keep the rolls of tape and butyl inside your jacket or your arm pit until use. It is also important to press it into grooves and attempt to mold the outside surface of the butyl into as smooth a cylinder as possible. If this is not done, the top layer of tape will not lay flat and allow moisture ingress as well as allow the butyl to be exposed to the weather. Make the transition from the cylindrical mass of butyl to the cable as smooth as possible.

5) On top of the butyl, wrap several layers of 2" wide electrical tape extending past the bottom layer of tape on both ends of the connector assembly. Use low tension to ensure the type is wrinkle-free and flat against the butyl and cable/antenna body. Do NOT wrap the tape tightly; when the assembly heats up in the sun the tension exerted by the tape will begin to extrude the butyl between the tape layers. The final 6" of outer tape should be applied with very little tension so as not to put shear on the usupported adhesive. The end of the tape must be cut, not torn, so there is no distortion or residual stress in the tape. Wrap the final turns carefully, do NOT get dust, dirt, finger or other greases on the adhesive and make sure the end of the tape lands flat and with zero tension. If it pulls up for any reason, the "flag" it forms will catch the wind and eventually compromise the assembly.

I have settled on using Andrew #221213 weatherproofing kits which cost less than $20 each, include quality Scotch tape and can weatherproof one 3" Heliax, two 1-5/8" Heliax, four 7/8" Heliax or at least six or more 1/2" UHF/N connectors with each kit (they claim 12). I have had other tower riggers say that the Wireless Solutions WK-U kit also works well. Either kit contains materials which pass MIL-STD-1344A, Method 1002 for weather resistance.

Occasionally "aneurysms" develop in the weatherproofing from trapped air bubbles caused by pressure from the inside of the cable when using UHF connectors which are not pressure tight. This pressure is caused by thermal cycling and air expansion. According to Andrews, placing gel weatherproofing compound in connectors is also not recommended as it can soften the gaskets in connector bodies, as well as be forced under expansion through the tape and contribute to degradation of the weatherproofing.

It is common for ham antenna installs to feature multiple connectors close together where you cannot wrap tape successfully. In those cases, the dual-layer hot-melt-lined heat-shrink is often used. Getting this technique right may take some experimentation. The biggest problem with the use of adhesive-lined heat-shrink in this application is that the polymer used for the melting liner becomes quite rigid at low temperatures and may release from cable jackets when mechanically stressed by cable movement. The vinyl/butyl tape solution in general will not. In either case, adequately supporting the cable close to the

connection will greatly help the longevity of the connection.

==> CONVERSATION

Break Out the Clubs

As the fall contest season gets into full roar, don't miss the opportunity to get your club members involved, especially those who are generally on the sidelines. There is nothing like a club challenge or mini-contest or even a set of hand-labeled whisk brooms to encourage those new to radiosport to give it a try. The new ARRL Sweepstakes Contest Manager, Larry K5OT has some words of wisdom for clubs - pass it on!

73, Ward N0AX

Clubs are always looking for operating events and opportunities that excite and motivate their members to be active, especially on HF. This year's ARRL November Sweepstakes <http://www.arrl.org/sweepstakes> certainly fits the bill and - for the first time in years - the bands will have plenty to offer Technician license-holders, too! Sweepstakes - or "Sweeps" among friends - is a contest in which modest stations can do very, very well. There's no need for giant towers and antennas or legal-limit amplifiers - a backyard dipole or vertical and a "barefoot" HF rig will do just fine. In fact, SS is one contest in which antennas can be too high!

Because Sweepstakes brings out so many US and Canadian operators, it is very popular for friendly "contests within a contest" between clubs and between club members. A club contest to work the most sections, make Worked All States, or ring up the highest score is a nice way to wrap up the season with awards being presented at the year-end meeting. Many clubs have a friendly competition with other nearby clubs for local bragging rights. Even small clubs can get into the action on a national scale in the Local category of the ARRL Affiliated Club Competion <http://www.arrl.org/general-contest-information>.

College clubs <http://collegearc.org/> can participate in two ways. The first is to submit a score in the School Club category of the main competition. With its 30-hour time limit, the shared-operating nature of the category fits right in with the busy fall semester. Give the Phone weekend (Nov 19-20) a try before heading home for Thanksgiving break! The second is to participate in the Collegiate Championship <http://www.collegiatechampionship.org/>, sponsored by Ken Harker, WM5R. Ken has compiled a long list of yearly winners <http://www.collegiatechampionship.org/conferences/> for each of the NCAA Division I Conferences - has your school's club participated? The website is currently being updated with the 2010 scores and we need some help sorting out the current conference assignment for the record-holders - any volunteers? Finally, for a relaxed "practice" opportunity, try the ARRL's School Club Roundup <http://www.arrl.org/school-club-roundup> from Oct 17-21.

Did we mention the opportunities for Technician licensees? Techs have a large chunk of 10 meters available to them on both Phone (28.3-28.5 MHz) and CW (28.0-28.2) but in recent years, there hasn't been much activity due to quiet solar conditions. Lately, the solar flux has been kicking up to 120 and higher, meaning that 10 meters opens up coast-to-coast and beyond! If your club's Techs have been wondering what all the fuss is about 10 meters, be sure to encourage their activity during Sweeps. Perhaps one of those intra-club challenges we were talking about?

If you'd like to know more about Sweepstakes, download the Sweepstakes Operating Guide <http://www.arrl.org/sweepstakes> - there are simple explanations of the rules and a list of resource articles and websites to help you get the most from your Sweepstakes weekend. Maybe you'll even bring home the coveted "Clean Sweep" coffee mug!

CQ Sweeps!

73, Larry Hammel K5OT

==> CONTESTS

12 October through 25 October

An expanded, downloadable version of QST's Contest Corral in PDF format <http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar> is available. Check the sponsor's Web site for information on operating time restrictions and other instructions.

HF CONTESTS

NAQCC Monthly QRP Sprint--CW, from Oct 12, 0030Z to Oct 12, 0230Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Monthly on 2nd Tuesday or 3rd Wednesday local time (alternating). Exchange: RST, S/P/C, and NAQCC mbr nr or power. Logs due: 4 days. Rules <http://naqcc.info/>

CWops Monthly Mini-CWT Test--CW, from Oct 12, 1300Z, see website. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14.Multiple operating periods, twice monthly on 2nd and 4th Wed, 18 to 28 kHz above band edge. Exchange: Name and member number or S/P/C. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.cwops.org/onair.html>

Great Pumpkin Sprint--Digital, from Oct 15, 8 PM to Oct 16, 2 AM. Bands (MHz): 1.8. Exchange: RST and S/P/C. Logs due: Nov 15. Rules <http://www.podxs070.com/>

JARTS WW RTTY Contest--Digital, from Oct 15, 0000Z to Oct 16, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST and age (YL may send '00'). Logs due: Nov 30. Rules <http://www.jarts.jp/>

10-10 Fall CW QSO Party--CW, from Oct 15, 0001Z to Oct 16, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 28. Exchange: Call, name, 10-10 number, S/P/C. Logs due: Oct 31. Rules <http://www.ten-ten.org/>

QRP ARCI Fall QSO Party--CW, from Oct 15, 1200Z to Oct 16, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RS(T), S/P/C, QRP ARCI number or pwr. Logs

due: Nov 16. Rules <http://www.qrparci.org/>

Iowa QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Oct 15, 1400Z to Oct 15, 2300Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50+. Exchange: RS(T) and IA county, state/prov, or "DX". Logs due: Nov 15. Rules <http://www.wa0dx.org/>

New York QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Oct 15, 1400Z to Oct 16, 0200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50+, Frequencies: CW--1.820, 3.550, 7.050, 14.050, 21.050, 28.050; Phone--1.870, 3.825, 7.200, 14.290, 21.350, 28.400. Exchange: RS(T), NY county, state/prov, or "DX". Logs due: 14 days. Rules <http://www.nyqp.org/>

Worked All Germany--Phone,CW, from Oct 15, 1500Z to Oct 16, 1459Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RS(T) and serial or DOK code. Logs due: 14 days. Rules <http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/contest/wag>

Asia-Pacific Sprint--CW, from Oct 16, 0000Z to Oct 16, 0200Z. Bands (MHz): 14-21. Exchange: RST and serial. Logs due: 7 days. Rules <http://jsfc.org/apsprint/aprule.txt>

Illinois QSO Party--Phone,CW, from Oct 16, 1700Z to Oct 17, 0100Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50,144. Exchange: RS(T) and IL county or S/P/C. Logs due: Nov 17. Rules <http://www.w9awe.org/>

Spooky Feld-Hell Sprint--Digital, from Oct 16, 2000Z to Oct 16, 2200Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-7,21-28. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, Feld-Hell member nr. Logs due: 2 weeks. Rules <http://www.feldhellclub.org/>

Run For the Bacon--CW, from Oct 17, 0200Z to Oct 17, 0400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Monthly on 3rd Sunday night (local). Exchange: RST, S/P/C, Flying Pig nr or power. Rules <http://www.fpqrp.org/>

School Club Roundup--Phone,CW,Digital, from Oct 17, 1300Z to Oct 21, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50+. Exchange: RST, class and S/P/C. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.arrl.org/school-club-roundup-scr>

FOC QSO Party--CW, from Oct 22, 0000Z to Oct 22, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RST, name, and FOC number if member. Logs due: 7 days. Rules <http://www.g4foc.org/>

Scandinavian YLRA Contest--Phone,CW,Digital, from Oct 22, 1000Z to Oct 23, 1000Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Frequencies: See website. Exchange: RS(T) and "88" (YLs) or "73" (OMs). Logs due: Nov 30. Rules <http://www.sylra.is/>

Stew Perry Warmup Contest--CW, from Oct 22, 1500Z to Oct 23, 1500Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8. Exchange: 4-char grid square. Logs due: Nov 18. Rules <http://web.jzap.com/k7rat/stew.rules.txt>

W/VE Islands QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Oct 22, 1600Z to Oct 23, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50. Exchange: RS(T) and S/P/C or island designator. Logs due: Nov 30. Rules <http://www.usislands.org/>

VHF+ CONTESTS

ARRL EME Contest--Phone,CW,Digital, from Oct 22, 0000Z to Oct 23, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 50-1296. Exchange: Call signs, sig rpt, acknowledgement. Logs due: Dec 20. Rules <http://www.arrl.org/contests>

Fall VHF Sprints--Phone,CW,Digital, from Oct 22, 7 AM to Oct 22, 1 PM. Bands (MHz): 902+. Exchange: 6-character grid locator. Logs due: 4 weeks. Rules <http://www.svhfs.org/>

Arucaria VHF Contest--Phone,CW, from Oct 15, 0000Z to Oct 16, 1600Z. Bands (MHz): 50,144. Exchange:

RS(T) and 4-char grid square. Logs due: 10 days. Rules <http://www.avhfc.com/>

Iowa QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Oct 15, 1400Z to Oct 15, 2300Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50+. Exchange: RS(T) and IA county, state/prov, or "DX". Logs due: Nov 15. Rules <http://www.wa0dx.org/>

New York QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Oct 15, 1400Z to Oct 16, 0200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50+, Frequencies: CW--1.820, 3.550, 7.050, 14.050, 21.050, 28.050; Phone--1.870, 3.825, 7.200, 14.290, 21.350, 28.400. Exchange: RS(T), NY county, state/prov, or "DX". Logs due: 14 days. Rules <http://www.nyqp.org/>

Illinois QSO Party--Phone,CW, from Oct 16, 1700Z to Oct 17, 0100Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50,144. Exchange: RS(T) and IL county or S/P/C. Logs due: Nov 17. Rules <http://www.w9awe.org/>

Illinois QSO Party--Phone,CW, from Oct 16, 1700Z to Oct 17, 0100Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50,144. Exchange: RS(T) and IL county or S/P/C. Logs due: Nov 17. Rules <http://www.w9awe.org/>

W/VE Islands QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Oct 22, 1600Z to Oct 23, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50. Exchange: RS(T) and S/P/C or island designator. Logs due: Nov 30. Rules <http://www.usislands.org/>

==> LOG DUE DATES

12 October through 25 October

- October 12 - ARRL September VHF QSO Party
<http://www.arrl.org/september-vhf-qso-party>
- October 14 - SKCC Weekend Sprint
<http://www.skccgroup.com/sprint/wes/index-wes.html>
- October 15 - North American Sprint, RTTY
<http://www.ncjweb.com/sprintrules.php>
- October 15 - Arkansas QSO Party
<http://www.arkanhams.org/ARQSO/AQP_2011_Rules_V3.pdf>
- October 15 - CQ Worldwide DX Contest, RTTY
<http://www.cq-amateur-radio.com/cq_contests/cq_ww_rtty_dx_contest/cq_ww_rtty_dx_contest_rules/2011_cq_ww_rtty_dx_contest_rules.pdf>
- October 16 - EU Autumn Sprint, SSB
<http://www.eu-sprint.com/index.php?page=140%E2%8C%A9=g>
- October 16 - AGB NEMIGA Contest
<http://www.ev5agb.com/contest/agb_nemiga.htm>

- October 16 - UBA ON Contest, 6m
<http://www.uba.be/en/hf/contest-rules/on-contest>
- October 16 - International HELL-Contest
<http://www.darc.de/referate/ukw-funksport/bild-und-schrift-wettbewerbe/hf-hell-wettbewerb
/teilnahmebedingungen/>
- October 17 - Connecticut QSO Party <http://www.ctqp.org/Rules.html>
- October 17 - EPC Russia DX Contest
<http://www.epc-ru.ru/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=351&Itemid=113>
- October 17 - RSGB 21/28 MHz Contest
<http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2011/r2128.shtml>
- October 18 - ARRL 10 GHz and Up Contest
<http://www.arrl.org/10-ghz-up>
- October 19 - South Carolina QSO Party
<http://www.w4cae.com/scqp/scqsoweb.html>
- October 19 - 144 MHz Fall Sprint
<http://www.svhfs.org/2011fallsprintrulesv1.pdf>
- October 20 - QRP Afield <http://newenglandqrp.org/afield>
- October 21 - SARL 80m QSO Party
<http://www.sarl.org.za/public/contests/SARL_2011_Contest%20Manual_issue_9.pdf>
- October 23 - WAB HF Phone
<http://wab.intermip.net/Contest%20Rules.php#HFRules>
- October 23 - EU Autumn Sprint, CW
<http://www.eu-sprint.com/index.php?page=140%E2%8C%A9=g>
- October 23 - Scandinavian Activity Contest, SSB
<http://www.sactest.net/>
- October 23 - UBA ON Contest, SSB
<http://www.uba.be/en/hf/contest-rules/on-contest>
- October 25 - 10-10 Int. 10-10 Day Sprint
<http://www.ten-ten.org/Forms/QSOPartyRules_082710.pdf>

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ARRL Contest Update wishes to acknowledge information from WA7BNM's
Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal> and SM3CER's
Contest Calendar <http://www.sk3bg.se/contest>.

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978. ** MMMonVHF Newsletter / No.1 - WEEK 41/2011 **

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-13 12:37:30 UTC
From: MMMonVHF News Mailer <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <201110130627.p9D6RjPo021704@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 3968
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Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our lastet NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2011-10-13
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter, once a week (thursday)
from now on - if any special activities will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further detail please be so kind and watch our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you vy welcome for any
input and we do hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
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** Info QSL's for C37MS expedition **

Finaly I received last weekend the QSL's for C37MS expedition this
summer from the printshop. First letters with cards are send today
for all I received direct. If you need a card direct, please send it
soon to me, with SASE so I can handle this. Address is OK in QRZ.com
Within one month all other cards will be send to the QSL buro. Best
73's, Chris, PA2CHR PS: Did you vote for 'best MS-expedition 2011'
already...?? SOURCE: tnx to Chris, PA2CHR direct to MMMonVHF
Best Expedition of the Year (TROPHY 2011) will be worked out at end
of the year again (http://www.mmmonvhf.de/trophy.php), ed. DL8EBW

7P8EME (Lesotho) was qrv from KG30VI on VHF (EME and MS)

LATEST NEWS by Pine, ZS6OB, dated 2011-10-12: Hi gentlemen
Thanks again to all for a great time - without your participation
it would not have been possible It is possible that there maybe one
or two duplicates still. If there is any station that I may have
missed I still have the all text file available to go back to and
verify. By the way Gabriel VQ Log works like a charm dear friend...
SOURCE: tnx to Pine, ZS6OB, direct to MMMonVHF
Check for the complete Log now at: www.mmmonvhf.de/review.php
Here you be able to search all expedition since 2006! ed. DL8EBW

** 15th INTERNATIONAL EME CONFERENCE **

Hello Folks, The EME 2012 web page http://www.eme2012.com/
has been updated with more detail of the program including links to
the various tours and places of interest. This is to help you and
your partner plan your visit next August. There will be further
updates in the coming months and the booking page will open in
January 2012. Vy 73 SOURCE: Brian G4NNS, via MoonNet

** MOST WANTED SQUARES and DXCCs at MMMonVHF **

As you know the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF will be able to provide
expedition with up to date info about MOST WANTED SQUARES (MWS)
and MOST WANTED DXCCs (MWDXCC). Special after big MS Events (eg
our MS-SPRINT, RUSSIAN MS SUMMER Contest and EME Expeditions...)
it make sence that you do yourself and all of us the favour and
check and update your MWS / MWDXCC standing!!! USE the TOOLS:
eMWS (MOST WANTED SQUARES) >>> www.mmmonvhf.de/emws.php
MWDXCC (MOST WANTED DXCC) >>> www.mmmonvhf.de/dxcc.php
SOURCE: The MMMonVHF Team

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
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and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: R1F ; Square: LR90 ; Start: 2011-10-08 **
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RI1FJL, QTH locator LR90AO, from island Land Franca Iosifa in
144 MHz EME CW - LATEST NEWS from UA3MBJ Nik, via Juergen, DK3WG,
dated 2011-10-03: Hello Jurgen! Pse info Moonnet:
QSL via RX3MM info:qrz.com - The Following period to activities
RI1FJL (LR90ao): 08/10/2011 <--------> 24/10/2011
QRL time: 23:00utc -- 02:00utc, 09:30utc -- 14:00utc.
Pse offer sked: ua3mbj"at"rambler.ru Pse info:ANT, QRO, qth loc.
SOURCE: Nik, UA3MBJ via Juergen, DK3WG to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: IS ; Square: JN40 ; Start: 2011-10-22 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3989

EME DX pedition to OLBIA (IS0) north Sardinia Gulf of Marinella
(JN40). LATEST NEWS from the OK5EME Team, dated 2011-10-11:
Expecting time frames:
22.10.2011 - 144 & 432 MHz full first period of ARRL EME contest
23.10.2011 - 144 & 1296 MHz full second period of ARRL EME contest
24.10.2011 - 144 & 2320 all QRGs on 13cm
25.10. to 28.10.2011 - all the time 144 MHz, others QRGs according
request - also 144 MHz M/S QRV when Moon not available over horizon
NEWS from the OK5EME Team, dated 2011-10-10: Hi EME gang, I would
like to inform you, that we are in progress of EME DX pedition. We

have already book accommodation and ferry from Italy to IS0. More details here http://www.ok1dfc.com/Peditions/IS0/is0.htm
I hope that everybody will try to work us :-) during EME ARRL contest. Any donation is welcome trough PayPal on my e-mail address ok1dfc"at"seznam.cz First donation we already have thanks to Sam G4DDK with support of VLNA to 13cm. Thanks and best regards from whole OK5EME team - SOURCE: Zdenek, OK1DFC, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: J5 ; Square: IK45 ; Start: 2012-03-23 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3987

The VERONA DX TEAM is happy to announce our upcoming 144 EME activity from J5 Guinea Bissau (IK45GJ) LATEST NEWS by Lucio, I3LDP, dated 2011-10-13: J52EME DX Expedition is confirmed! Airline tickets were purchased. We looking for VISA from the consulate of Guinea Bissau. We asked 2 calls, J52EME for VHF and up and J52HF for HF all mode, we await confirmation. Soon the web site of Verona DX Team will be ready. 73s, Lucio I3LDP SOURCE: tnx to I3LDP, Lucio, direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
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** Info about TS5SN Activity **

I speaked with manager IZ1BZV Giorgio, a friend on my city, confirm that not is active on 2011 , autority on Congo not renewed licence, no qso , no log on 2011, him hope on next year, if not possible, look for new country activity. 73 Mario I1ANP. SOURCE: tnx to Mario, I1ANP direct to MMMonVHF

** K7BV CM94/95 & CM86/87 Update **
Tomorrow morning's operation on the CM94/95 line will occur one hour later than originally planned. CM86/87 should be right on schedule for 1300z. This meteor scatter operations will hopefully give a few need MS grids to those in need. I expect to be on Ping Jockey and ON4KST in case anyone wants to try ISCAT long haul or even SSB/CW if digital modes in not in your bag of tricks. See you then. Please do drop me a note if you do expect to be watching for me so I can be sure to watch for YOU. SOURCE: Dennis K7BV

** 9H, Malta (IOTA EU-023) in the air on HF and 144 MHz **

9H9OB will be the call of the team around DG0OHD Torsten, DK8YY Rich, DL1AOB Hans, DL1AWD Dieter, DL4JS Ingolf, DL5AOL Olaf,

DL8ALU Jens-Uwe and DO5KO Konstantin. They will try to be qrv
from 14. till 22. Oktober on the HF-bands in SSB, CW and digital
mode and on 2 m in SSB and CW. A participation in the WAG-Contest
is planned. QSL via DH7WW - buro or direct.
SOURCE: tnx to Ulrich, DH7WW direct to MMMonVHF

** Cocos Keeling Is., VK9C qrv HF and 6m **
Lot, DJ7ZG and Babs, DL7AFS (www.qsl.net/dl7afs/) will be active
as VK9CX from the Cocos (Keeling) Islands (OC-003) from 19 October
to 9 November. They plan to operate RTTY, PSK and SSB on 80-6 m.
QSL via DL7AFS. Fwd: [425ENG] 425 DX News #1066

** MALPELO 2012 **
The Malpelo 2012 DXpedition's team now consists of 18 operators
representing eight countries. Two members of the team will travel
to Malpelo for a reconnaissance visit in late October. The purpose
is to check out possible operating sites and make final decisions
on the type and placement of antennas, as they want to try to have
antennas oriented for all parts of the DX world. Every effort is
being made to extend the length of time available for operating.
It appears that they can get to the island one day earlier and may
have the option of staying a few extra days. The current plan has
the team QRV on or about 23 January for 12-14 days. Operations are
planned on 160 through 6 metres on CW, SSB and one digital mode.
N2OO and the SJDXA will handle QSL duties. The Malpelo team is
paying all their transportation expenses to/from Colombia and
putting up about one-half of all the DXpedition costs. To cover
the reminder of our expenses, contributions are being sought
from DX Foundations, DX Clubs and individual DXers. You may
contribute directly to DXARC (Colombia), K4UEE (North America),
DJ9ZB (Europe) or JA1ELY (Asia/JA). See www.hk0na.com for further
information on how you can help...
SOURCE: [TNX K4UEE] via 425 DX News #1066

** NEWSLETTER-DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF week **

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next WEDNESDAY 2359 UTC ...

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HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats
like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USER who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

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The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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979. The ARRL Letter for October 13, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-14 00:28:04 UTC
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==> + US AMATEURS NOW 700,000 STRONG!

As the third quarter of 2011 came to a close, ARRL VEC Manager Maria
Somma, AB1FM, began calculating the number of licensed Amateur Radio
operators in the US, as well as the number of new licensees. "At the
end of September, I saw that the number of hams in the US was high,"
she said. "When I started comparing that number with other years, I
found that it was an all-time high." For the first time, there are more
than 700,000 radio amateurs in the US.

"When looking at the three current license classes -- Technician,
General and Amateur Extra -- these numbers are impressive," Somma
explained. "The number of Technicians peaked in March 2011 at 342,572,
while in September 2011, we saw both Generals and Extras peak at
159,861 and 125,661, respectively. As new Technicians earn their
Amateur Radio licenses, and current Technician licensees move on to
General and Generals upgrade to Extra, this can cause up-and-down
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fluctuations for these totals." Read more here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/us-amateurs-now-700-000-strong>.

==> + ON THE AIR: ISS TO BE ON THE AIR FOR JOTA THIS WEEKEND

If you are planning on participating in this weekend's Jamboree On
the Air (JOTA
<http://www.arrl.org/news/scouts-to-take-to-the-airwaves-for-the-54th-jambore
e-on-the-air>),
take note: Astronaut Mike Fossum, KF5AQG, is planning to participate in
JOTA from the International Space Station, using the call sign NA1SS.
According to the AMSAT website
<http://www.amsat.org/amsat-new/index.php>, Fossum's schedule is
somewhat flexible on the weekends, but he will not be available for
every pass. The typical crew work periods are 0800-1930 UTC, but they
are sometimes available a bit later. When available, Fossum will be
operating on the standard ISS frequencies. In the US and elsewhere in
IARU Regions 2 and 3, the uplink is 144.49 MHz. In Region 1, the uplink
is 145.200 MHz. The worldwide downlink for NA1SS is 145.800 MHz.

==> GET READY FOR THE 6TH ANNUAL ARRL ON-LINE AUCTION

The Sixth Annual ARRL On-Line Auction <http://www.arrl.org/auction>
will be open for preview at 10 AM (EDT) on Friday, October 14, and will
open for bidding at 10 AM (EDT) on Wednesday, October 19. According to
Advertising Manager and ARRL On-Line Auction Coordinator Deb Jahnke,
K1DAJ, there is a large assortment of ARRL Product Review items,
including a Yaesu FT-DX5000D HF and 6 meter transceiver, an Ameritron
ALS-1300 HF power amplifier, a Ten-Tec 599AT Eagle HF and 6 meter
transceiver, a Kenwood TS-590S HF and 6 meter transceiver and an
Elecraft P3 panadapter, as well as a wide assortment of books,
including ARRL Handbooks from the 1920s and 1930s. "If you are
interested in some great bargains and some great fun, you really need
to check this out," she said. Jahnke also encouraged visitors to visit
the site to pre-register and scope out those "must-have" items. The
2011 ARRL On-Line Auction runs through 11:59 PM (EDT) October 26.

==> + AMATEUR RADIO IN SPACE: ARISSAT-1 TEAM ANNOUNCES MORSE CODE
CONTEST

ARISSat-1 -- the latest Amateur Radio satellite -- began its
education-based mission after deployment from the International Space
Station in August 2011. The ARISSat-1 mission is to provide a variety
of information through its many broadcast modes promoting STEM-based
education initiatives in the classroom. In an effort to help realize
this mission, the ARRISSat-1 Team is sponsoring a CW contest.

To participate, listeners need to copy and submit any six of the more
than 200 call signs transmitted during ARISSat-1's multiple satellite
passes. These call signs represent those radio amateurs who have made
significant contributions to the ARISS program or Amateur Radio as a
whole. They have been digitally stored on board ARISSat-1 and are being

transmitted in rotation using Morse code at 145.92 MHz. The call signs can be heard between the RS01S CW identification and the CW telemetry in the repeated code transmission sequence. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arissat-1-team-announces-morse-code-contest>.

==> + AMATEUR RADIO IN SPACE: AMSAT TO CELEBRATE 50 YEARS IN SPACE AT ANNUAL SPACE SYMPOSIUM

The AMSAT 2011 AMSAT Space Symposium will be held November 4-6 in San Jose, California. This year's Symposium coincides with the celebration of the 50th anniversary of OSCAR 1, the first Amateur Radio satellite. The Symposium will feature presentations on amateur satellites, operating techniques, news and plans from the amateur satellite world, as well as an AMSAT General Meeting and a meeting of AMSAT's Board of Directors.

While the final schedule is still being worked out, AMSAT has announced that Lance Ginner, K6GSJ, will be the speaker at the banquet. Ginner helped build and develop OSCAR 1 and OSCAR 2. His involvement with Amateur Radio spacecraft continued with OSCAR 3, OSCAR 4, OSCAR 5 (the first for the newly formed Radio Amateur Satellite Corporation in 1970), OSCAR 6, OSCAR 7 and OSCAR 8.

ARRL Laboratory Test Engineer Bob Allison, WB1GCM, will also be speaking at the Symposium, accompanied by a prototype of OSCAR 1. With help from Ginner and other AMSAT members, Allison and W1AW Station Manager Joe Carcia, NJ1Q, refurbished the prototype, one of three made by Project OSCAR. One of the satellites went into orbit in 1961, one is on display at the Smithsonian Air and Space Museum in Washington, DC and the other, until recently, was sitting in a display case in the downstairs hallway at ARRL Headquarters. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/amsat-to-celebrate-50-years-in-space-at-annual-spac e-symposium>.

==> + ARRL MARKS 28TH YEAR OF HOSTING USTTI ARAC COURSE

Students from Ghana, Uganda and Trinidad and Tobago attended the United States Telecommunications Training Institute (USTTI <http://ustti.org/>) Amateur Radio Administration Course (ARAC <http://ustti.org/courses/display.php3?CourseID=332>) at ARRL Headquarters October 3-7. ARRL Chief Technology Officer Brennan Price, N4QX, coordinated the session and led the course. ARRL Assistant to the Chief Executive Officer and Meeting Planner Lisa Kustosik, KA1UFZ, coordinated ARRL's participation with USTTI. According to Price, the students work in their respective government telecommunications offices dealing with telecommunications and Amateur Radio testing, licensing and monitoring. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-marks-28th-year-of-hosting-ustti-arac-course>.

==> PUBLIC SERVICE: NOMINATIONS NOW OPEN FOR THE GEORGE HART DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

The George Hart Distinguished Service Award may be presented by the Board of Directors to the ARRL member whose service to the ARRL's Field Organization is of the most exemplary nature. The Distinguished Service Award is named in honor of George Hart, W1NJM, long-time Communications Manager at ARRL Headquarters and chief developer of the National Traffic System. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/nominations-now-open-for-the-george-hart-distinguished-service-award>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "Let the Sun run down right behind the hill <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0Sky37vMiFY>" Cook, K7RA, reports: Strong solar activity continues. Check here <http://spaceweather.com/> for daily images of the Sun, and you'll see it is full of spots. You can also use the archive feature to view the position of sunspots for previous days. The average daily sunspot number for the week (95.4) was about the same as last week (96.7) and the week before (96.1). The number hasn't stayed steady though, with a low of 82 and a high of 126 over the past two weeks. You can check here <http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpmenu/forecasts/SRS.html> for daily updates showing which numbered groups appeared and faded away, along with a relative area for each. The latest forecast from USAF/NOAA has the solar flux at 135 on October 13-15, 130 on October 16-19, and 125 on October 20 through November 2. Predicted planetary A index is 5 on October 13-14, 8 on October 15-17, 5 on October 18-27 and 8 on October 28-30. Click here <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=25b1SJxnYPQ> for a video of the Sun showing flares and other activity over several days, with audio from Thomas Ashcraft's receiver in New Mexico, where he records radio noise from our nearby star. Remember that the video and the audio are not synced in real time. Look for more information on the ARRL website on Friday, October 14. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by James Taylor's October Road <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0Sky37vMiFY>.

==> THIS WEEK ON THE RADIO

This week:

- October 15 -- Iowa QSO Party; Feld Hell Sprint
- October 15-16 -- Jamboree On the Air (local time); New York QSO Party; 10-10 International Fall Contest (CW); JARTS WW RTTY Contest; CQ SA Contest (SSB); QRP ARCI Fall QSO Party; Worked All Germany Contest
- October 16 -- Asia-Pacific Fall Sprint (CW)
- October 16-17 -- Illinois QSO Party
- October 17 -- Run for the Bacon QRP Contest
- October 17-21 -- ARRL School Club Roundup <http://www.arrl.org/school-club-roundup>

Next week:

- October 22 -- FOC QSO Party, Microwave Fall Sprint (local time)
- October 22-23 -- ARRL EME Contest <http://www.arrl.org/eme-contest>;
Stew Perry Topband Challenge; W/VE Islands QSO Party; SYLRA Contest
- October 26 -- SKCC Sprint
- October 26-27 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest
Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update
<http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest
Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more
information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out
the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page
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==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- October 14-16 -- ARRL Pacific Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/pacificon-2011>, Santa Clara, California
- October 21-22 -- ARRL West Gulf Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-gulf-division-convention-texoma-hamarama>,
Ardmore, Oklahoma
- October 22 -- ARRL Iowa State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/iowa-state-convention-hamboree-2011>,
Sergeant Bluff, Iowa
- November 6 -- ARRL Iowa Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/iowa-section-convention>, Davenport, Iowa
- November 19-20 -- ARRL Indiana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/indiana-state-convention-fort-wayne-hamfest-and
-computer-expo>,
Fort Wayne, Indiana
- December 3-4 -- ARRL West Central Florida Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-central-florida-section-convention-tampa-b
ay-hamfest-1>,
Palmetto, Florida

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Message-ID: <20111014130044.0A55833C8E@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3970
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Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1783 - October 14 2011

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1783 with a release date of Friday, October 14th, 2011 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a QST. The FCC takes on the on-line peddlers of cellpgone and other radio jamming devices, Thailand's telecommunications committee donates a repeater to hams helping in flood relief efforts, more on Greece's national society get use of 60 meters and a tribute to a historic radio station in Nashville, Tennessee. All this and more on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1783 coming your way right now.

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ENFORCEMENT: TWENTY ONLINE RETAILERS OF ILLEGAL JAMMING DEVICES TARGETED IN OMNIBUS ENFORCEMENT ACTION

If you sell things that jam the airwaves, watch out. The FCC is out to get you. We have more in this report.

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The FCC's Enforcement Bureau has issued 20 enforcement actions against online retailers in 12 states. This for illegally marketing more than 200 uniquely-described models of cell phone, GPS, Wi-Fi and similar signal jamming devices.

According to the FCC, these devices have the capacity to prevent, block, or otherwise interfere with authorized radio communications in violation of section 302(b) of the Communications Act and sections 2.803 and 15.201(b) of the Commission's rules. The Enforcement Bureau's actions are intended to warn retailers and potential purchasers that marketing, selling, or using signal jamming devices in the U.S. is illegal and that the FCC will vigorously prosecute these violations.

In the Omnibus Citation and Order, the Bureau directed each online retailer to take immediate steps to cease marketing signal jamming devices to consumers in the United States and its territories. Such steps include removing the illegal signal jamming devices from online display, expressly excluding consumers in the United States as potential customers, and declining to sell signal jamming devices or complete any sales transaction to consumers in the United States.

The FCC also ordered the online retailers to provide information about their signal jammer suppliers, distribution channels, and sales including the manufacturer of each illegal signal jamming device, the websites that the online retailer has used to market the devices in the United States or its territories, and the corrective actions the online retailer has taken or will take to comply with federal law prohibiting the marketing and sale of jamming devices.

Because these enforcement actions were taken against retailers who are not otherwise regulated by the Commission, the Communications Act requires the Commission to first issue a "citation" describing the violation and warning against future misconduct. The Omnibus Citation and Order emphasized that a second violation could lead to monetary penalties of $16,000 to $112,500 per sale per day of unauthorized radio jamming gear.

For the amateur radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the newsroom, in Los Angeles.

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It will be interesting to see how many of those on-line sellers dinged by the FCC actually stop selling these types of jamming devices. (FCC)

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RESCUE RADIO: THAILAND'S NBTC DONATES HAM REPEATER TO ASSIST IN FLOOD RELIEF COMMUNICATIONS

The Bangkok Post reports that Thailand's newly formed National Broadcasting and Telecommunications Commission, better known by its initials NBTC has donated an amateur radio repeater for use in flood relief communications.

The NBTC met on Monday, October 10th and first on the agenda was how to help with the flood crisis relief. Speaking at the meeting, its chairman said it was urgent that telecommunications be improved in flood hit areas. For that reason the commission was donating a repeater to the Amateur Radio Operators Group of Ayutthaya to help reinforce its members radio signals to cover a wider area.

The NBTC's Deputy Chairman added that the commission would continue to help fortify amateur radio networks. Also that it would assign community radio stations to keep the people informed of the flood situation. He closed his remarks by stating that amateur radio operators can be of much help when the country is in crisis.

You can read more about this story on-line at tinyurl.com/flood-crisis-repeater (Southgate, Bangkok Post)

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RESTRUCTURING: GREECE'S NATIONAL SOCIETY GETS 5 MHZ FOLLOW-UP

And a follow up to our story last week concerning Greece's national amateur radio society receiving permission to use a single frequency in the 5 MHz band. R-S-G-B News Reader Jeremy Boot, G4NJH, has the latest on this still emerging story:

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After three years of negotiation the Radio Amateur Association of Greece has been given permission for its headquarters club station, SZ1SV, to use the channel centered on 5400kHz. SZ1SV is permitted to use 5398.5 to 5401.5kHz for SSB, CW and digital modes, with a maximum power of 100W.

Since the permission is based upon propagation studies, the Greek association is planning to operate a beacon, somewhat similar to our own 5MHz chain, when the station is not being used for contacts.

The RSGB has been working closely with Manos, SV1IW, President of the Radio Amateur Association of Greece, on their planned usage of this channel for beaconing, so that this can exist alongside others usage of the channel for QSOs. Plans for the beacon have yet to be finalised, but it will likely operate every 15 minutes, with an alternating CW and PSK31/PSK63 identifier.

I'm Jeramy Boot, and you are listening to the amateur Radio Newsline.

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There's also late word that the proposed beacon may be capable of being remotely switched on and off. This as a further measure to minimize interference to other users of that valuable 60 meter channel. (GB2RS)

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RESTRUCTURING: WORLDS YOUNGEST NATION ACCEPTED INTO THE ITU

The International Telecommunication Union has announced that the world's newest country, the South Sudan, has joined that world telecommunications governing body. It became the I-T-U's 193rd member state, effective from this past October 3rd. (IRTS)

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RADIO POLITICS: WORLD ECONOMIC RECESSION TAKES PORTUGUESE REPEATERS OFF THE AIR

Several of Portugal's amateur radio repeaters appear to be the latest casualties of the current world economic crisis. In a message to Southgate News, Miguel Andrade, CT1ETL says that all the repeaters and Echolink nodes located near of Spanish border are off line.

Andrade says that the reason for the blackout is related to the lack of financial support in order to keep these devices working. In other words, the funds are not there at the moment to maintain these systems for their user base.

CT1ETL notes that Jaime Pinheiro, CT2GPZ, is the technical manager for some of these systems. He is reportedly trying to develop partnerships and sponsors to bring the systems back on the air.

So far it is still not possible to predict the date if or when some or all might return to normal operation. As we go to air, art least five of Portugal's amateur radio repeater systems on 2 meters and 70 centimeters are down for the count. (CT1ETL, Southgate)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the N4MWA repeater serving Phelps, Kentuckey.

(5 sec pause here)

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ENFORCEMENT: AUSTRALIA'S ACMA GOES AFTER ALLEGED VK REPEATER JAMMER

A yet to be identified man down-under has found himself the subject of allegations of rules violations and seizure of equipment by the Australian Communications and Media Authority or ACMA. This, following a recent visit to his home.

The raid, in Melbourne's west, follows a prolonged investigation into interference being experienced by hams on two repeater systems. The regulatory authority successfully applied under for a search warrant issued through the Melbourne Magistrates Court.

The ACMA has gone quiet since the raid on September 14, while its investigation in ongoing. A court hearing is yet to be set. What is to be alleged are breaches of the Australian Radiocommunications Act 1992.

In recent months the ACMA has stepped up its enforcement activities against personal communications rules violators. Last June the agency reported how it invoked search warrants and prosecuted two people in Melbourne who used encrypted communications for their own communications. At that time the ACMA found seven radios programmed on the channel suffering interference worth $5000. These were surrendered to it during the court hearing. One offender with an amateur radio entry level Foundation License had it suspended for three months. (VK3PC)

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ENFORCEMENT: LAPD INTERNET UNIT HOPES TO CURB FLASH ROBS

The Los Angeles Police Department's newly created Internet Unit wants to head off any potential instant robberies or so called "flash robs." These are similar to law abiding "flash mobs" that are organized via social networking sites to perform acts of entertainment, dancing or other artistic expression. Only the "flash robs" bring together groups

of people who will gather at a department store or other place of business and grab what they can carry away.

By using public domain search engines like Google and other sites along with tips from the general public the Internet Unit hopes to determine if there is a risk of criminal activity. According to the LAPD, social media is evolving and this department is trying to evolve with the technology. (Published news reports)

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RADIO RULES: THE LIGHTSQUARED VS. GPS SAGA - ROUND 5 OR 6

It's the Washington saga that never seems to end. Of coarse we are talking about LightSquared vs. the Global Positioning Industry over concerns over interference between Lightsquared's proposed national system and users of the Global Positioning System in spectrum adjacent to it. And now there's word that Lightsquared may take legal action if it is denied permission by the FCC to build out its planned network.

Jeffrey Carlisle is LightSquared's Vice President of Regulatory Affairs and Public Policy. In a teleconference with reporters on Monday, October 3rd Carlisle said that if it is impossible to get a decision on this that allows his company to move forward that LightSquared will then have to insist on our legal rights.

The FCC has said it that it will not permit LightSquared to operate the proposed network unless it can prove the interference problems to GPS users have been solved. Many vendors and users of Global Positioning System equipment have lobbied the FCC to keep LightSquared from running its network in assigned spectrum adjacent to that used by GPS devices. Global Positioning System users claim that the LightSquared network would degrade service to them because signal levels would be far greater than the satellite transmissions used for GPS.

For its part, LightSquared claims that any problem would be the result of the GPS product suppliers that knew as far back as 2001 that there would be a terrestrial mobile network operating in frequencies adjacent to their devices. The company believes that the problem exists only because of the lack of adjacent channel filtering in current GPS reception equipment and that it's the GPS industry's responsibility to find a cure.

LightSquared's Carlisle did not elaborate on what action the company might take, however he believes that the FCC's basic rules on interference cannot be used to protect the GPS receivers in this particular instance. He also noted that his company is trying to work with the GPS industry to solve the problem by allowing the FCC to approve the network.

Meantime some legal analysts are wondering whom it is that LightSquared might file its litigation against. No matter if it's the GPS industry, the FCC or both, any law suit could wind up going on for years with

appeals and counter appeals being filed. By then, it's possible that newer technology could have come along making any current day proposal obsolete. (Technology Today, BroadbandReports, various other published news reports)

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NET ACCESS: COMCAST OFFERS $9.95 A MONTH BROADBAND TO LOW INCOME FAMILIES

Comcast, the nation's largest cable operator, is trying to bring broadband Internet to the less fortunate. This with a new program that the company says is aimed at reducing the digital divide between high and low income communities in Internet accessibility and digital literacy.

Called "Internet Essentials," the company says low income families will now be able to obtain a fast Internet connection for $9.95 per month. To be eligible, families must have an income of less than $25,000 and a child who qualifies for the free school lunch program. Because Internet access doesn't do much good without a computer, Comcast is also offering coupons that will allow these families to buy a basic personal computer for about $150.

According to Comcaast, this is not a short term promotional deal. According to a company spokesperson, it is a permanent price as long as the child remains in the free lunch program. It also says that those who qualify will not have to purchase any other Comcast service.

The big question now is whether low income families will avail themselves of this budged priced Internet access program. John Horrigan worked with the FCC on its National Broadband Plan. He says that in surveys, non Internet users say that while price is a big barrier, they also cited other reasons. These include digital skills and lack of awareness of relevant content online as other reasons that the Internet is not of interest.

Horrigan, who currently serves with the Internet awareness group TechNet says Comcast will have to do more than drop the price. It will also have to offer additional support services, so that these families become sustainable broadband adopters. More on this story is on-line at www.internetessentials.com. (Comcast, PC World, EdWeek, others)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: SA AMSAT ISSUE FIRST CALL FOR SPACE SYMPOSIUM PAPERS

South Africa AMSAT has issued the first call for papers for the 2012 Space Symposium to be held in Durban next May 12th at the University of KwaZulu-Natal. If you would like to present a paper, please send a brief synopsis to reach SA AMSAT by no later than January 31st 2012. The theme will be 50 years of OSCAR which celebrates the launch of the first amateur radio satellite on December 12th, 1961. (SARL)

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HISTORIC NOTES: PHOTOGRAPHY IN SPACE - THE HASSELBLAD ON-ORBIT

Although the astronauts now use digital cameras the Hasselblad camera was the film camera standard for much of the space program's history. And because of this an astronaut's photography manual developed by Hasselblad for NASA astronauts to learn to get the most out of the camera.

This 40-page color booklet is considered to be a really solid photography guide, with great information on lenses, exposure settings, and camera technique. Any photographer could get some use out of it, but if you happen to be up in space, you'll have everything you need to get that perfect shot. Anyone in space or on the ground can access it in .pdf format at tinyurl.com/4dupx8s. (ANS, UniverseToday)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: LEW MCFADIN W5DID INTERVIEWED BY DX COFFEE

Some names in the news. First up this week is Lou McFadin, W5DID, who is best known in ham radio as the engineer behind designing and flight qualifying the ham radio gear on the space shuttle flights and then aboard the ISS. Well Lou's life and career is the feature article in the current issue of DX Coffee. There you will find an interview Lou that which traces his 30 years of involvement in space with projects at NASA and AMSAT.

W5DID worked for NASA from 1967 to 1995 on projects ranging from Apollo moon landings to Lunar Orbit Experiments, the Apollo Soyuz program, the Shuttle, and the ISS. His work literally helped man conquer the frontier of space. For the entire story of Lou's Amazing three decades with NASA, simply take your web browser to tinyurl.com/W5DID-in-space. (ANS)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: FRANK GREENE NAMED NEW RAC OFFIUCE ADMINISTRATOR

Radio Amateurs of Canada says that it has recruited Frank Greene as its new Office Administrator. Green comes to the Canadian national amateur radio society with an extensive management and business background. This includes such specialized areas as sales and marketing, accounting and administration, human resources, staff coordination, facilities management, and project management. He has also participated in several consulting assignments from capacity planning to disaster contingency preparation. (RAC)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: WALT MAYFIELD KE5SOO APPOINTED AS NORTH TESAS SM

And as of Wednesday, October 5th, the ARRL North Texas Section has a new Section Manager in the person of Walt Mayfield, KE5SOO.

According to an ARRL press release, Membership and Volunteer Programs Manager Dave Patton, NN1N, made the appointment in consultation with West Gulf Division Director David Woolweaver, K5RAV.

The release noted that Mayfield has served as the North Texas Section Emergency Coordinator and is the president of the Denton County Amateur Radio Association. He replaces Jay Urish, W5GM, who has stepped down as Section Manager for personal reasons. Mayfield's appointment continues through March 31, 2013. (ARRL)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: QSLS SOLICITED FOR 90 YEAR OLD HAM

And a note from Tad Cook, K7RA, says that his fathers cousin Bill Kingsley, W7UVU, is 90 years old and in hospice care. Cook says that Kingsley had a career in the US Navy and was also licensed as F0GKL and F7ER in years past.

K7RA says that W7UVU was active on the High Frequency bands until recently, and has been a licensed ham for nearly 3/4 of a century.

Cook says that he would really appreciate it if amateur radio operators would send him their QSL card with a short greeting. You can send your cards to Bill Kingsley, W7UVU, 65 W. 30th. Ave., Apartment 524, Eugene, Oregon 97405-3373.

K7RA adds a big thank you in advance to anyone who responds. (K7RA)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

(5 sec pause here)

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: ULTRASONIC BATTERY CHARGING

The day when we don't have to plug in our consumer electronics is getting close. This according to a claim a from new startup firm named uBeam that has developed what it terms as a safe way of beaming power to charge your batter operated devices.

Rather than using inductive charging, which has a very short effective range and usually requires that the charger and device be in close proximity to each other, uBeam uses an ultrasonic transducer to convert power from your wall socket into inaudible sound energy. On the device

side, there's a battery adapter that converts the sound energy back into power to charge your batteries.

The ultrasonic frequency used is well above the range that can be heard by humans or dogs. More is on-line at www.ubeam.com (VK7WI news)

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WORLDBEAT: RADIO/TV MARTI VS. CUBA ON AUTO TEXTING

Cuba alleges that the United States operated Radio and Television Marti is violating that nations laws. This is because the broadcaster may disrupt Cuba's cellular text-messaging structure with a computerized system that can send up to 24,000 text messages a week to cell phones on the island.

Developed for mass marketing campaigns, the system makes it almost impossible to block the texts because the computer makes them look as though each individual message was sent from a different telephone number.

The stations director is Carlos Garc&#65533;a-Perez. He says that Radio and Television Marti is using the text messages to deliver the same kind of news and information that the US government-run stations already broadcast to the island. (Media Network)

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WORLDBEAT: BBC TO CUTBACK MEDIUM WAVE AND LOOSE LONG WAVE OPERATIONS

The British Broadcasting Corporation says that its that Medium Wave broadcasts will be cut back and the Radio 4 Long Wave transmissions will eventually cease. According to the BBC, there will be reductions in medium-wave transmissions for local radio in England where coverage replicates FM. There will also be no reinvestment in long wave, which will lead to the end of Radio 4 operations eventually going away.

The changes are in part the result of a restructuring of the BBC which is also planning to cut 2,000 jobs and radically change programming in order to cut 20% from its budget over the next five years. More on this is on-line at tinyurl.com/BBC-Longwave-cutbacks. (BBC)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: HELP SOUGHT IN TRACKING UPCOMING LAUNCH OF AUBIESAT-1

Help in tracking the upcoming launch of the AubieSat-1 ham radio satellite is being sought by Professor Jean-Marie P Wersinger, KI4YAU, who is Professor Emeritus and Director of Auburn University Student Space Program in Alabama.

AubieSat is scheduled for launch at 9:52 UTC on October 25th from Vandenberg Air Force Base in California. AS-1 is designed to transmit

with a power of about 800 milliwatts on a frequency of 437.475 MHz, plus or minus Doppler correction. The beacon signal, along with telemetry, will be sent using continuous wave Morse code at 20 words per minute. Additional telemetry from the on board science experiment will use CW transmissions up to 60 WPM.

Professor Wersinger says that based on the pre-launch orbital data provided by NASA, AubieSat-1 will activate after deployment at 12:21 UTC. At that time the sub-satellite point will be at 34.52 degrees South latitude and 1.52 degrees West longitude over the South Atlantic Ocean. An Echolink conference group is planned to begin one-half hour prior to launch and continue until about 30 minutes after confirmation of the first receipt of signals from the satellite.

AubieSat-1 is an undergraduate built CubeSat satellite developed by Auburn University. Reception reports go by e-mail to wersijp (at) auburn (dot) edu and tam0013 (at) auburn (dot) edu. (KI4YAU, ANS)

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ON THE AIR: VK100RAV CELEBRATES 100 YEARS OF HAM RADIO IN AUSTRALIA'S VICTORIA STATE

On the air, listen out for the special Australian VK100ARV during the month of November. This will likely be a well sought after call and qualifies toward the Australian Amateur Radio Centenary Award.

By way of background, 2011 is the 100th anniversary of the Amateur Wireless Society of Victoria, that was formed in 1911. It quickly changed its name to the Wireless Institute of Victoria, and today is known as Amateur Radio Victoria. VK100ARV will be operational to commemorate that founding event. (VK3PC)

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ON THE AIR: LM9L40Y CELEBRATES 40 YEARS OF THE LA9L RADIO CLUB

A reminder for the prefix hunters that the special event albeit somewhat complicated call LM9L-40Y will be on the air until the end of December. This station is being operated by members of the LA9L Radio Club in Norway and is to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the founding of that organization. (WIA News)

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ON THE AIR: ROCKALL OPERATION DEEMED A SUCCESS

And the recent MM0RAI/P Rockall DXpedition is being considered as being a major success. The team managed to land on the rock and set up the station. Operation started on October 1st at 15:45 UTC and ended on October 2nd at 06: 52 UTC. Online logs will be available shortly. For more information, including photographs, check out www.rockall.be. (Southgate)

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DX

In DX, HB9IQB has been granted a license by the Palestinian Ministry of Telecommunications and Technology in Ramallah. He plans to be active as E-44-P-M starting at 0001 U-T-C on December 16th, or possibly a few hours earlier. The log for his operation will be uploaded onto the Logbook of The World soon after he goes QRT. For more details, QSL details and updates, please visit tinyurl.com/4yc9st8 on the World-Wide-Web.

N6HD will be active portable 4-Xray from Israel between October 23rd and November 3rd. His operation will be on 160 through 10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign or electronically using Logbook of the World.

JK1KSB will take to the airwaves as 8Q7SO from Mirihi Island Resort in the Maldives between October 28th and November 3rd. Activity will be holiday style on 80 through 10 meters using CW, RTTY, SSB and PSK31. QSL via JK1KSB, either via the bureau or to the address on QRZ.com.

AJ9C will be operational from Nicaragua as YN2CC starting on November 24th and continuing to December 5th. He will be active on 160-10 m CW , SSB and RTTY. He plans to take part in the CQ World Wide DX CW Contest November 26th and 27th as well. QSL electronically using Logbook of the World.

G3RWF will be active as 5X1NH from Uganda starting November 23rd for three weeks. His on the air time will have an emphasis on low bands using a new amplifier. QSL via his home callsign.

Lastly, An international team of operators will be active from Hatiheu, Nuku Hiva in the Marquesas Islands between October 19th and November 1st. Activity will be on all bands and modes including an entry in the CQWW DX SSB Contest from October 29th to the 30th. Operations will be on 160 through 10 meters including the 30, 17 and12 meter bands on CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL and other information is on-line at www.tx7m.com.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: THE HISTORIC RED AND WHITE DIAMOND TOWER IN NASHVILLE TENNESSEE

And finally this week, a big happy birthday to radio station the that's likely best known in technical circles as the home of one of the last of the famed Blaw-Knox diamond shaped towers in the world, and to county music aficionados as the radio birthplace of that genre of music. Of coarse we are talking about radio station WSM in Nashville, Tennessee and Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI6UP, has the details:

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At 8 o'clock in the evening of October 5, 1925, some 300 people gathered at the corner of 7th and Union Street in Nashville, Tennessee to hear the first broadcast of WSM-AM. Since then, the station has literally putting Nashville on the map as the home of country music.

In a press interview, WSM operations manager Joe Limardi said that the early stages of broadcast country was on that day when the Grand Ole Opry was born on the station back in 1925. Also. that the phrase "Music City U.S.A." was first used by WSM announcer David Cobb in 1950. Today it is Nashville's world-wide nickname.

Limbardi says that the station has evolved over the past 8 and a half decades that it has been on the air. Todays Internet technology brings WSM to listeners around the globe. According to one report, more people listen to the station on-line, than do over the air in Nashville proper. Limbardi says that's the reason why the station put the effort behind being heard on line, and being heard on your apps on smartphones.

There is so much history associated with WSM-AM. Each person who works at the station is well aware of the people who was there before them. But they also know to be a viable, profitable radio station WSM needs more than history on its side. That is why technology is so important to mission of the station.

Limardi says that those new web listeners will allow WSM-AM to be around for another 86 years, adding that the digital age has made it possible for WSM to reach a much larger audience than in years past.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP, in Scottsdale, Arizona.

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According to Wikipedia dot com, WSM's red and white diamond-shaped Blaw-Knox antenna tower has a story unto its own and is one of the area's landmarks. When it was built in 1932, the then 878-foot tower was the tallest antenna structure in North America. Its height was reduced to 808 feet in 1939. It is now one of the oldest operating broadcast towers in the United States and is listed as a National Engineering Landmark and this past March 15th it was added to the National Register of Historic Places. As an aside to this story, the Mississippi amateur radio operator's license plate features a diamond Blaw-Knox tower with lightning bolts shooting from the top. A classy ham plate indeed. (RW, Wikipedia, other sources)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, saying 73 from sunny Mississippi and we thank you for listening.

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WIANEWS - OCT 16 - VK NATIONAL NEWS

THE BEST NEWS YOU'LL GET ALL WEEK

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Please... If you are only submitting text and not audio, write your story as
you would expect to hear it being read back and NEVER send just links & url's.

WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING OCTOBER 16 2011.

Hello I'm Bob Vk6POP the JOTA JOTI Coordinator for Scouts Australia.

This JOTA JOTI edition of the news comes to you from the Peter Hughes
Scout Communication Centre in Perth.

The team this week is myself VK6POP Bob, Onno VK6FLAB, Miles VK6MAB,
Davis VK6FAME, Barb VK6FPAX, Jeff Barb's OM, and Flynn VK6FFFF and if
that doesn't fox you, nothing will.

This week we'll hear about zombies in a Scout camp, pirates in Australia,
crystal sets in the Illawarra, and the Governor General's going to talk to us.

THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING OCTOBER 16 2011.

SILENT KEY

Ian VK1BG writes.. "I have today been advised by his wife, Lesley, that
Keith Malcolm, VK1KM, passed away suddenly at his home Thursday Oct 13th.

This news came as a dreadful shock, and I am sure that
we will all be saddened by it.

Over many years, Keith has been a major advocate for the
WIA and Amateur Radio in both national and international
forums, and became very well known for his efforts.

He will be sorely missed by his many friends.

Keith is survived by his wife and three adult children."

Saturday October 15 at 1pm Local time Australia's Governor-General,
Her Excellency Ms Quentin Bryce AC addressed the Guides and Scouts of
Australia in her opening address for JOTA 2011

In the welcome to this, the 54th Jamboree On the Air and 15th Jamboree On The
Internet Her Excellency mentioned how we've had our share of natural disasters
in Australia recently with bushfires, floods, cyclones and other storms.
And globally, we've come together following the devastating earthquakes and
tsunami in Japan and the awful series of earthquakes and aftershocks in
Christchurch, New Zealand.
She went on to say

"In some countries, Scouts and Guides contribute directly to the relief
effort after a disaster strikes, working in first aid posts, helping with
cooking and serving food, or providing accommodation in tents that they erected.

Often these are poorer countries with fewer resources to call on, so people
in organizations such as Guides and Scouts are called on to help those in need."

In this the JOTA weekend we hope you make new friends and catch up with some old ones.

Pirate Radio Station Stomped On By VK Authorities

The Australian Communications and Media Authority has stomped on a pirate
radio station that was operating from Chadstone, Melbourne operating on
1485kHz AM could be heard for up to 10km, and had been broadcasting for
about a week, mainly in the evenings, music from MyMP, an outfit which
broadcasts mainly middle-of-the-road music via DAB+ digital radio.

"Following a complaint," ACMA reports gravely, "inspectors from ACMA's Field
Operations Section used advanced direction-finding equipment to pinpoint the
exact location of the transmitter"- and closed it down.

Zombie attack during Scouting Radio Jamboree

Coral Gables Florida USA has one of the oldest Boy Scout troops in that nation.

This weekend Troop 7 are working with First Responders, public safety
communications professionals and amateur radio operators to earn their
radio merit badges as part of scouting's world-wide Jamboree on the Air.

"If there are Zombies around, we definitely think that the police and fire
departments should be involved," said Dan Deveson, an assistant scoutmaster
with the troop. "We wanted to find a way that the boys could learn how the
pros use their radios, and few things are so important to a 12-year-old as
thwarting Zombie attacks."

The troop are broadcasting Zombie Action Reports around the world using amateur radio equipment provided by licensed radio operator volunteers.

"In case of hurricanes, or Zombies, amateur radio operators often work with public safety professionals to provide community support. That's exactly the sort of activity that modern scouting is all about," said Deveson.

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.
VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news
Email Address : r_demkiw@yahoo.com.au

The CENTRAL COAST AMATEUR RADIO CLUB (CCARC) is once again supporting the Gosford District Scouts and Guides JOTA action and are active as VK2EH/P from the East Gosford Scout Hall in Wattle Street, East Gosford this weekend.

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/
Police Roundup http://www.vicpolicenews.com.au/

Jean Fisher VK3VIP writing in the ALARA Newsletter told of an RFI problem with a difference.

August saw her in Bass Strait on board the yacht Coomera sailing from Melbourne, down Port Phillip Bay and round to Hastings in Westernport Bay.

Some radio action on VHF whilst under way but operations on HF did cause a few problems when the hi-tech toilet system flushed each time the transmitter was fired up!

VK4 - QNEWS
Send your stories for news. SCRIPT to qnews@wia.org.au
send audio to http://www.wia.org.au/members/broadcast/upload/

get local audio news www.wiaq.com/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
get local news emailed qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

Ken Fuller VK4KF has requested to retire from his position on the Queensland Advisory Committee.

The WIA Board has appointed Alan Shannon VK4SN for the balance of Ken's term.

Once again, amateur radio is indebted to Ken for his commitment to the Institute and its activities.

Welcome to QNews from VK4WIA. I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP, and I've been thinking.

Long established on the amateur radio calendar is the Jamboree of the Air, now run in conjunction with the Jamboree on the Internet. This activity brings youth together via the capability of technology to share experience locally and globally.

Whether it is one amateur or a club contribution, there are the necessary preparations to undertake. Site, activities to be supported and equipment readiness all have to be addressed. This is the age of the touch screen and instant messaging and as interesting as CW and SSTV can be to the aficionados

we need to be both practical and up to date.

To this end, a discussion with the Scout Leaders who will be attending and a look at the various badge requirements may give some insight into appropriate presentations of the amateur radio activity.

Remember that glint in the eye when enthusiasm bursts through. We can all have it but it is good to share our enthusiasm with others. Members of the scouting movement are especially welcome during JOTA.

If you hear a voice in your mind saying "do your best" then remember the correct response is still to "do our best".

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think....how about you?

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email carc@carc.org.au
Howard VK4BS President 07 4242 4711
Meets at Brothers Rugby League Club Cairns.

(REPORT IN AUDIO ONLY AGAIN THIS WEEK)

Ipswich & District Radio Club P.O. Box 250
Ipswich Qld 4305 www.vk4wip.com
vk4wip@wia.org.au

This is Allan VK4FABR with a round-up of news from the Ipswich and District Radio Club.

While this first item is a few weeks old, we wanted to let you know that back in August the club's Sandy Cape DX'pediton was a great success. The only serious lesson learnt from the weekend was that sleep is over-rated and entirely optional when there are many stations to be worked. The club would also like to thank the sponsors for their terrific support - Ipswich City Council and VK4ICE Communications.

The design of the VI4FI QSL card is now complete and can be viewed at the official website www.sandycape2011.com

An easy to remember schedule for club meetings has been introduced.

Business meetings are now on the fourth Monday each month, and social meetings the second Monday of each month. Both start at 7.30pm at the club's headquarters - 10 Deebing Street on Denmark Hill.

The club social meetings always uncover a few yarns and war stories over a cuppa, and often see the renewal of old friendships. Members, guests and visitors are very welcome.

Thoughts will be turning to Christmas soon and once again the IDRC will be holding its annual Christmas gathering at Banjo's Bar & Function Centre in Bell Street.

Reserve this date now -Saturday November 5, 2011.

Start time is 11am with a 2 course meal and finishing up around 2:30pm.

Cost is $20 per person, payable by October 31st.

Please confirm your attendance, number of persons plus payment to either
Derek VK4MIA or Paul VK4FPDW prior to the 31st.

Reporting from Ipswich, I'm Allan, VK4FABR.

ILLAWARRA VK2

This JOTA weekend some of you may be interested in a building competition
taking place and you do NOT need yet be a fully qualified Ham Operator.

Jeff VK4ZPP is here with the details.

The Illawarra Amateur Radio Society currently has a construction competition
running that is open to amateur radio operators within VK.

There are prizes to be allocated in two categories.

Entry is easy, just build a crystal set.

Judging will be based on some simple rules:-

The crystal set must work i.e. receive a transmitted signal.
The crystal set can receive either commercial, broadcast or amateur signals.
No external power other than the received signal can be used.
Additional points will be gained by utilizing recycled parts, or home made components.
Additional points will be gained for Innovative design, and unique concepts.
The finished article does not need to be aesthetically pleasing.
Testing will be carried out at Industry World Centre, Wollongong 8/11/2011
(Between 19:30 - 22:00 Hrs).
The judge's decision will be final.

The judging of the contest will be at the IARS November meeting.

The Crystal set will need to be bought to the meeting on this evening,
alternatively they can be posted to the Secretary Illawarra amateur radio
society, by the meeting date which is 8th November 2011. Correct postage and
packaging cost must be included if you require the project to be returned
after the competition. Note that this project is a receive only
construction, so it is therefore open to all license classes in VK.

Why not put together a club entry?

Old hands, why not take a newer member of the hobby under your wing and show
them how construction was done when you first discovered radio.

Results and awards will be presented at the December 2011 meeting.

The two entry categories are:-

Category 1:- Financial members of the IARS
First Prize :- 2 metre Handheld radio

Second Prize:- Quality Screwdriver Set
Third Prize:- Lightweight Headphone Set

Numerous consolation prizes such as mouse mats, baseball caps

Category 2:- All other VK Hams
First Prize:- 2 metre Handheld Radio
Second Prize:- Quality Screwdriver Set
Third Prize:- Lightweight Headphone Set

Details are available on the Illawarra amateur Radio Society's web site
http://www.iars.org.au or email the secretary vk2vvv@wia.org.au

EDUCATION YOUTH AND ADVANCEMENT OF AMATEUR RADIO
www.hamcollege.com.au

Northern NSW and want to become a licensed Ham Operator?

The next Foundation weekend course in the area is planned for 29 & 30 October
so contact Duncan VK2DLR to book a place on the course.
draymont@bigpond.com
Phone 6628 1337

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2011

Oct 16 VK6 WEST AUST VHF GROUP'S SPRING SCRAMBLE

Oct 22 WIA Jack Files Contest

Nov 26-27 WIA Spring VHF-UHF Field Day

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January VK Ross Hull Memorial VHF UHF Contest

March 17-18 VK JOHN MOYLE MEMORIAL FIELD DAY

June Long Weekend (vk4 time) VK Shires Contest.

July First full weekend NZART Memorial Contest

NZART Straight Key Night

Polish and lubricate that old morse key and enjoy an evening of old time
radio fun. An activity night in which everyone can be a winner with a
certificate to prove it.

When? first Sunday in November 2000-2200 NZST in two one-hour periods
Band? 3.5 MHz only

Mode? CW sent with STRAIGHT KEY ie characters formed manually, no system of
automatic dots, dashes or spacing permitted.

Check out the nzart website for details.

Send logs by mail by 30 November to:
Ken McCormack, ZL1AIH

181 Ararimu Valley Road Waimauku, AUCKLAND,

or email zl1aih@xtra.co.nz

All (including DX stations) who send a log will receive a certificate.

Congratulations to those who did well in the Alara Contest!

Catherine, VK 4 GH, is the top overall winner. As Lesley VK5LOL rightly points out a "sterling effort."

Mavis, VK3KS, the top CW certificate she has been contesting since the earliest days of the contest.

Gerald, VK2HBG, is the top VK OM.

Some other ALARA results

Catherine VK4GH Top overall, Top Phone, Top VK4 Alara member

Leonie VK2FHRK Top Foundation Licensee, Top VK2 Alara member

Jenny VK3WQ Top VK3 Alara member

Shirley VK5YL Top VK5 Alara member

Mavis VK3KS Top VK YL CW

News from Central Queensland

New 6metre Repeater VK4RSA

Mackay ARC President Roy VK4RM has announced that the VK4RSA 6 metre Repeater is on the air. Final work during a working bee on Sunday 2nd October has completed the project and Roy is interested in reception and performance reports. Try out the new repeater - 53.800MHz output, 52.800MHz input.

INTRUDER WATCH - ENFORCEMENT ZONE

Region III IARUMS Coordinator Peter Young VK3MV

VK IARUMS reflector email to subscribe intruders@wia.org.au
INTRUDER NETS
Friday 0730 UTC 7.065.5 with VK4CEU David.

Amateur exclusive frequencies where any non-amateur signal is definitely an intruder.

Amateur HF Spectrum world wide 7.050 to 7.100
14.000 to 14.250
14.250 to 14.350 No broadcasters 21.000 to 21.450
24.890 to 24.990 28.000 to 29.700

Jamming of GPS in Scotland suspended

The BBC report that jamming of global positioning signals (GPS) during Europe's largest military exercise has been suspended, following complaints from fishermen.

The Royal Navy issued warnings in September and October that GPS in parts of Scotland would be disrupted during Exercise Joint Warrior.

But Western Isles fishermen said the first they knew was when their equipment went offline last Friday week.

Read the full BBC report at
http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-scotland-highlands-islands-15242835

VI6CHOGM

To celebrate the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting taking place in Perth later this month, the Scout Members Amateur Radio Team are operating for 72 hours with the special call sign, VI6CHOGM.

We'll be operating on most bands using voice, slow scan TV and psk31 during this time, and we have designed a special QSL card for the occasion. As well as camping on site for the duration of the event, we are also selling soft drink and food to the hungry onlookers who will be dropping by.

We're calling on VK6 amateurs to help us with manning the station, and all other stations in making contact with us. We look forward to hearing you answer our call.

It all takes place from shortly after midnight on Friday 29th October, to just before midnight on Sunday 30th October local time.

More information about the activity, including our online logbook, can be found at www.vi6chogm.com

THE QNEWS WORK BENCH - the nuts and volts report - Measure Twice cut Once.

At the workbench and ICNIRPcalc Field Strength Software available.

Often Radio Amateurs suffer expensive restrictions on their antennas.

So, ICNIRPcalc was written to assist in assessments.

The program performs RF-Exposure calculations for amateur radio stations based on information from the International Commission on Non-Ionizing Radiation Protection.

In the IARU EMC WG meeting in 2007 the author of a program that German Society DARC USED, QuickWatt, was asked to circulate it - if possible - in the English language.

Since nowhere else in the world has limits for pacemakers QuickWatt was modified for ICNIRP limits only and translated into English. This international version is now called IcnirpCalc.

Download ICNIRPcalc V1.01 from the IARU Region 1 website
www.iaru-r1.org/index.php?option=com_remository&Itemid=173&func=fileinfo&id=410

International Commission on Non-Ionizing Radiation Protection
http://www.icnirp.de/

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

DAWN PATROL NET - 30 YEARS OF OPERATING BY LEITH MARTIN VK2EA

Leith has been NCS of the early morning 0630 Dawn Patrol Net on 3605 KHz, Monday - Friday.

He has had occasional assistance by others when he has been ill or absent but otherwise continuous.

Congratulations and thanks Leith for your dedicated service to keep the frequencies active, a great turn up at 0630L, Wednesday 19 Oct is wanted to give Leith a 30 year thank you.

Special invitation!

Why not use your portable station experience next month to activate a Victorian National Park?

There are 40 within easy reach by car from all regional centres.

Amateur Radio Victoria welcomes all to take part in the November 18-20 focus on them under the Keith Roget Memorial National Parks Award.

The extended weekend is part of the 100th birthday celebration by the state-wide organisation. Full rules can be found under Awards on their website.

www.amateurradio.com.au

In Melbourne are those at Organ Pipes, Kinglake, Dandenong Ranges, Yarra Ranges and Churchill.

Parks can be visited from Geelong, Ballarat, Bendigo, Warrnambool, Horsham, Mildura, North East, North Central, Latrobe Valley and EastGippsland.

All inquiries to the Award Manager, Tony Hambling VK3VTH via email vk3vth@amateurradio.com

7P8EME DX-PEDITION A GREAT SUCCESS

The team managed to make in total 320 QSO's.

274 QSO's on 2 metres EME,
23 QSO's on 70 cm EME,
18 QSO's on 23 cm EME
5 QSO's on 6 metres EME, all using JT65.

Many of you will have worked Bodo DL3OCH when he was active during 2009 as 5N0OCH from Nigeria.

The good news is that not only has he received a new German callsign, DF8DX but he is back in Nigeria until mid-October with the new call 5N7Q. He is there to carry out maintenance on a local broadcast station and will have the opportunity to make use of the antennas there for his amateur transmissions. (IRTS)

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WIA DIRECTORS SPOTs NEXT WEEK PHIL WAITE VK2DKN,
VK5CP CHRIS PLATT VK5CP

If you are a Scout or Guide, or an already qualified Ham Radio operator looking for a vast range of electronic books look no further!

Mal VK3FDSL from the WIA Bookshop has the information!

"Our bookshop is designed to provide you with a simple and secure way to purchase the latest amateur radio books and publications online. We use a secure commercial e-commerce gateway for all credit card transactions and delivery to your door is provided by Australia Post.

Purchasing the latest in amateur radio publications is both secure and easy.

We hold a wide range of the most popular publications suitable for those starting out in the hobby as well as books popular with the more experienced hobbyists.

If there is a particular publication that you are trying to locate that is not listed in our online catalogue, then we would be more than happy to help you. Please send an email with the details of the book you are looking for to bookshop@wia.org.au

Both WIA members and non-members are able to purchase from the WIA online bookshop, however the bookshop provides significant discounts to members of the Wireless Institute of Australia.

This is Mal VK3FDSL for the WIA Bookshop."

OCTOBER 2011 RAE CANDIDATE EXAM NUMBERS RELEASED

The South African Radio League has released the Candidate Examination Numbers for the October Radio Amateur Examination, some 174 Candidates have entered for the examination including one visually handicapped person for whom special arrangements have been made. This is the largest number of candidates recorded in recent years the SARL are proud to announce.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

AMSAT-VK UNOFFICIAL HF Net.
2nd Sunday each month.
April through October 1000 UTC 3.685 MHz
November through March 0900 UTC 7.068 MHz

Astronaut to join in Jamboree on the Air

This weekend's Jamboree On The Air, NA1SS, which is the International Space Station, is going to be on the air throughout JOTA.

Astronaut Mike Fossum, KF5AQG, who is also a Scoutmaster, is going to be on the air during breaks from his work schedule. He should be available on most of the passes around the world. The uplink is 145.200MHz and the downlink is 145.800MHz, both plus and minus

Doppler shift as the ISS passes overhead.
(sourced to rsgb)

KickSat - a personal spacecraft of your own in space

The website KickSat.org has been launched to give hundreds of people the
opportunity to sponsor a small spacecraft they can call their own that
will be launched into space.

KickSat.org is a spare time project run by Zac Manchester, an aerospace
engineering graduate student at Cornell University, to launch a
CubeSat filled with hundreds of "Sprite ChipSat proof of concept
spacecraft" that he has developed into low earth orbit to demonstrate their viability.

Donors who donate $300 or more will be able to call one of the Sprite
spacecraft their own, name it and specify a short message that it will transmit.

Groups and clubs can sponsor small fleets of Sprites.

The transmissions of the small spacecraft will be able to be received by
amateur radio operators around the world with the appropriate equipment.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RADIO SCOUTING
http://www.scouts.com.au
http://www.scout.org/jota
http://www.international.scouts.com.au

CALLING FREQUENCIES
Please QSY off the calling frequency after establishing communication.

Australian voice calling frequencies:
3.650, 7.090, 14.190, 21.190, 28.590, 52.160

World CW calling frequencies:
3.570, 7.030, 14.060, 18.080, 21.140, 24.910, 28.180, 50.160

World voice calling frequencies:
3.690 & 3.940 MHz, 7.090 & 7.190, 14.290, 18.140, 21.360,
24.960, 28.390, 50.160

Calling Frequencies for PSK31 14.070

Calling frequencies for Slow Scan TV (SSTV): 3.630, 7.033, 14.227

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RESCUE RADIO IARU REGION 3
Emergency Centre of Activity (CoA) frequencies
3.600, 7.110, 14.300, 18.160 and 21.360 MHz

Thailand's NBTC donates Amateur Radio repeater for flood communications

Bangkok Post reports that Thailand's NBTC has donated an amateur radio
repeater for use in flood relief communications.

The National Broadcasting and Telecommunications Commission (NBTC) met and
on the agenda was how to help with flood crisis relief.

Speaking before the first meeting of the commission since the royal command was issued endorsing the appointment of its 11 members, the NBTC chairman said it was urgent that telecommunications be improved in flood-hit areas.

He said the NBTC gave a repeater to the Amateur Radio Operators Group of Ayutthaya to help strengthen its radio signal to cover a wider area.

Amateur radio operators can be of much help when the country is in crisis, he said.

Source
http://www.bangkokpost.com/business/telecom/260626/nbtc-to-help-relieve-flood-crisis

SOCIAL SCENE

2011

Oct 23 VK3 Hamvention Ballarat Sunday.

Nov 20 vk5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society Hamfest
Goodwood Community Centre, Rosa St Goodwood at 0930.
Visit www.ahars.com.au for contact details

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15TH IARU REGION 3 CONFERENCE hosted by V.A.R.C. in Ho-Chi-Minh City, Vietnam.

JAN 23-FEB 17 YEAR 2012
World Radio Conference WRC-11 Geneva 23rd January TO 17th February 2012

FEB 12 VK3 CentreVictoria Hamfest, Kyneton Racecourse

FEB 26 VK2 CCARC WYONG FIELD DAY

MAY 3-18 VK5 YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

JULY 14 VK4 Wide Bay Hamfest. West Maryborough Scout Hall

Nov 12 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST (ROSEBUD BY THE BAY)

Education in Sydney Region:-

A Foundation course is to be held at VK2WI Dural in late November.

It will be across two Sundays. The first is the training day and this will be on Sunday the 20th of November. The following Sunday, the 27th, will be exam day

To make inquiries or bookings :-

email education@arnsw.org.au

telephone to 0400 445 829

MEDIA WATCH
www.cq-amateur-radio.com/WorldRadio.html
VK Club Bulletins http://groups.yahoo.com/group/aarnie/

WHATS BEHIND THE GREEN ZONE?

Certainly NOT "Freedom Radio" any longer.

After some 8 years of broadcasting from Baghdad "Porky Pig" uttered those immortal words "that's all folks" and the Coalitions radio station in Iraq went silent.

With the troops leaving that land replacing VOF will be European Satellite shows on the local radio.

BBC Radio 4 long wave, which transmits on the 198 kilohertz frequency, relies on ageing transmitter equipment that uses a pair of valves - no longer manufactured - to function.

The valves, at Droitwitch in Worcestershire, are so rare that engineers say there are fewer than 10 in the world, and the BBC has been forced to buy up the entire global supply. Each lasts anywhere between one and 10 years and when one of the last two blows the service will go quiet.

Mark Thompson, Director-General of the BBC, has signalled the beginning of the end for the 198 long-wave service, which is still used by 90,000 homes in Britain to receive Radio 4 in areas where short-range FM does not penetrate. (netnews)

That just about wraps us up for this week. By the time you're hearing this news some 500,000 Scouts and Guides worldwide will have, or will be about to, participate in Jamboree On The Air and Jamboree On The Internet.

It is through the generosity of Amateurs, and their passion for their hobby, that JOTA is possible. On behalf of all 500,000 of us, just a minute while I read the names out, I heartily thank everyone who has supported JOTA and JOTI this weekend.

I certainly hope the Scouts and Guides kept the coffee flowing, and fed you eagerly.

The event closes at midnight local time today (Sunday) however for the eager ones among you, there will be Scouts and Guides on air until the Americas go to bed.

73 and a big thank you from Scouts and Guides everywhere

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982. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 16th October 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-14 15:00:17 UTC
From: Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk
Message-ID: <20111014150006.84FDB33C8E@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3972
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GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 16th October 2011

The news headlines:

* RSGB pre-releases RadCom pages

* 2012 Bath Buildathon announced

* Talks on possible 5MHz extension

In advance of the Extraordinary General Meeting announced last week, the RSGB has pre-released the RSGB Matters section of the November RadCom. The pages set out the background to the EGM and are being sent by email to all affiliated clubs. The Society encourages all Members to read the information and help shape the future of the RSGB. RadCom is being printed this weekend and is due to be delivered to UK members by next Monday, 24 October.

The date of the 5th Bath Buildathon has been confirmed as Saturday, 7 January 2012. For those that are not familiar with the concept, the basic idea is for a group of radio enthusiasts to lock themselves in a room for a day and build a radio project under the watchful eye of a few experienced mentors. These events are ideal for intermediate students or other licensed amateurs who have never raised solder smoke in anger before. This year the event will cost £60 to include a 20m SSB superhet receiver kit, room hire, tea and coffee, etc. The Bath Buildathon Crew will be providing all tools and test equipment required and no previous experience is needed, just a bucket load of enthusiasm! Booking forms for the Buildathon are available by email from G0FUW@tiscali.co.uk or by post from G0FUW, who is QTHR in the Yearbook and on QRZ.com.

Following their meeting with the Ministry of Defence earlier in the month, Ofcom has been in touch with the RSGB to discuss harmonisation improvements to the 5MHz Experiment. Whilst MoD is not in a position to release a continuous tuning band like that available to some other countries, they have agreed to consider some additional bandwidth for access by UK NoV holders. We will bring you any further news as it develops.

Amateur satellites SRMSAT and Jugnu were successfully launched by an Indian rocket from Sriharikota in the early hours of Wednesday 12 October. The satellites are in near-equatorial orbit and cannot be received in the UK, but will be providing useful science for the Indian

university teams that built the CubeSats. The SRMSAT web page is at http://srmsat.in.

The RSGB Convention that took place in Milton Keynes over the weekend of the 7-9 October was the largest in the event's history. The five streams of lectures were well attended and there was standing room only in some lecture rooms.

Following the creation of a Youth Co-ordinator portfolio during the Region 1 General Conference at Sun City in August, the Region 1 Executive Committee has appointed Lisa Leenders, PA2LS, to the role. Lisa will be working with the Youth Co-ordinators from the various member societies to promote amateur radio amongst young people in Region 1. Lisa's contact details will be made available under the Youth section of the IARY Region 1 web site, www.iaru-r1.org. Lilford District Scouts in Leigh, near Wigan, are looking for a volunteer Foundation tutor who could run a course sometime between mid-November and February. Whilst the Scouts cannot offer any payment beyond limited assistance with transport costs, they do have a well-equipped venue and plenty of enthusiasm. Ideally, they would like to have some new Foundation licensees in time for the next JOTA. If you can help, please contact Carl Thorp, 2E0LVO, via email to carl.thorp@1stastleyscouts.org.uk.

Long-standing software developer George Murphy, VE3ERP, has hung up his keyboard and is retiring from further development on HAMCALC. For those who are unfamiliar with the software, HAMCALC is a collection of useful calculators for amateur radio use, widely used throughout the amateur community. The latest version of HAMCALC can be downloaded at www.cq-amateur-radio.com.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

Today, Sunday 16 October, the Blackwood and District ARS Rally takes place at Coleg Gwent, Risca Road, Cross Keys NP11 7ZA. There are trade stands, a Bring and Buy and special interest groups. The rally opens at 10.30 and costs £2. Talk in is on S22. Contact Dave, GW4HBK, on 01495 228 516.

Also Today, Sunday 16 October, the Hornsea Amateur Radio Club rally is at Floral Hall, 7 The Esplanade, Hornsea, East Yorks HU18 1NQ. Opening at 10.30, there are trade stands, a Bring and Buy, RSGB bookstall and special interest groups including RAFARS. Details from Rick, M0CZR, by email to R106221@aol.com.

The Galashiels and District ARS radio rally takes place on Sunday 23 October at The Volunteer Hall, St Johns Street, Galashiels, Scottish Borders TD1 3JX. Opening time is 11.30, admission is £2.50 and there are trade stands, a Bring and Buy and other attractions. Details from Jim, GM7LUN on 01896 850 245.

The Callington Amateur Radio Society Rally is on Sunday 23 October at Callington Community College, Launceston Road,Callington, Cornwall PL17 7DR. The opening time is 10am, admission is £2 10am, £2, and there are trade stands, a Bring and Buy and other attractions. Contact John, G4PBN, on 01822 835 834.

Now for the news of special events

As this is JOTA weekend, there are numerous Scout special event stations on the air. The October RadCom contains a list of over 20 special event stations that have issued for the event.

And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

The T32C DXpedition is going strong from Christmas Island. On 10 October the team announced they had broken the 100,000 QSO barrier. The team hopes to set a few new records before the end of the event. There is still time to work the DXpedition, which is covering as many band and mode slots as it can with the limited equipment at its disposal.

Now the contest news

Today, Sunday 16 October, the Second 50MHz Contest takes place from 0900-1200. Operation is all mode on the 50MHz band and the exchange is RST, serial number and locator. Tuesday 18 October sees the UHF UKAC from 1900-2130. Operation is all mode on 23cm; RST, serial number and locator form the exchange.

And now the solar factual data for the period from the 3rd to the 9th of October, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on the 10th of October.

Several sunspot groups were visible every day with up to eight on the 4th and the 5th. Most groups were small and inactive but several produced C class solar flares every day. Solar activity was low every day. Most flares were small and were not associated with sudden ionospheric disturbances or coronal mass ejections. Solar flux levels declined from 130 units on the 4th to 118 by the 8th. The average was 124. The 90 day solar flux average on the 9th was 114 units, that's two units up on the previous week. X-ray flux levels varied little and the average was B4.1 units. Geomagnetic activity was quiet every day except for the 5th which increased to an Ap index of 20 units in response to a glancing blow from a coronal mass ejection that departed the Sun on the 2nd. A small coronal hole disturbance arrived on the 9th when the Ap index was 13 units. The average was Ap 8 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds decline from 480 kilometres per second to 290 by the end of the period. Particle densities were around the 20 particles per cubic centimetre for a three day period starting from the 5th. Bz varied between minus 5 and plus 3 nanoTeslas on the quietest day and between minus 10 and plus 11 nanoTeslas on the 5th. On the 20th several UK operators and a number of continental stations, enjoyed an unexpected opening to West Africa on 50MHz. 28MHz was also in excellent shape on a couple of afternoons, with MUFs at times well over 30MHz and low-power beacons as far as the West Coast of North America being copied across much of Europe.

And now the solar forecast. This week the more activity side of the Sun is expected to return into view. Solar activity may not be as high as the last rotation but moderate levels could take place on some days. Solar flux levels are expected to be in the 120's for most of the week. With no coronal holes expected during the coming week, geomagnetic activity is expected to be at quiet levels. Only a coronal mass ejection heading our way will increase activity and there maybe a slight chance for this to happen. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 30MHz for the south and 27MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be about 10MHz. Paths this week to Australia should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 28MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 21MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 0800 and 1300 hours. The long path should be open around 0800 and again at 2100 hours, but the MUFs will be around 21MHz.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your

transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS On Monday 17 October Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is having a VHF operating and workshop evening. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Monday 17 October South Birmingham Radio Society is holding a committee meting. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Monday 17 October Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society is having a beginners guide to working satellites and data modes such as PSK31. For more information contact Peter D Rivers, G4XEX, on 01858 432 105.

On Tuesday 18 October Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is discussing technical topics. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 18 October Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on power supplies by Andrew, G7SEG. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Wednesday 19 October Midland Amateur Radio Society Club is holding its AGM and presenting awards. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003.

On Wednesday 19 October South Kesteven Amateur Radio Society is having an informal evening. Contact Nigel, M0CVO, on 01476 402 550.

On Wednesday 19 October Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is working on its winter projects. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday 20 October Cheltenham Amateur Radio Association is holding a silent key sale. Contact Derek Thom, G3NKS, on 01242 241 099.

On Thursday 20 October Salop Amateur Radio Society is holding its pre-AGM meeting. Details on the club website at www.salop-ars.org.uk.

On Thursday 20 October Solihull Amateur Radio Society is holding its AGM. Details from P T Gaskin, G8AYY, on 01216 287 383.

On Thursday 20 October South Birmingham Radio Society is having training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603. On Friday 21 October Coventry Amateur Radio Society is having a quiz night. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

On Friday 21 October South Birmingham Radio Society is having a construction evening. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND On Monday 17 October Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is having a talk. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Monday 17 October Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having an awards and trophies presentation evening. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 17 October Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is having an address by the new chairman. Details on the web at www.tcars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 18 October Chester & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on vintage radio by GW8N. Details from Barbara Green on 07957 870 770.

On Tuesday 18 October Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is finalising its programme of events for the next year, continuing its Intermediate and Foundation training courses and testing the new aerial. Contact Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341 317.

On Tuesday 18 October Stockport Radio Society is having a presentation on stereo players by John Shufflebotham. More information from Nigel Roscoe, on 07973 312 699.

On Wednesday 19 October Denby Dale Radio Club is holding its AGM. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220 126.

On Wednesday 19 October Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is having a washup meeting after the rally. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Thursday 20 October Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air and having a club night. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 07876 085 631.

On Thursday 20 October South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having a talk on The Great Train Robbery by Doug, G8ILW. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Friday 21 October East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is on the air. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND No news items have been received for Northern Ireland this week.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday 18 October Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club evening. Details from Norman, on 07740 946 192.

On Wednesday 19 October Lothians Radio Society is having a surplus equipment sale at St Fillan's Church Hall, Buckstone Drive, Edinburgh EH10 6PH, from 7.30PM onwards. Contact Andy Sinclair, by email to secretary@lothiansradiosociety.com.

On Thursday 20 October Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is on the air. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663.

On Friday 21 October Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club is having a DVD night. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA On Monday 17 October Burnham Beeches Radio Club starts its construction project. Contact Dave, G4XDU, on 01628 625 720.

On Monday 17 October East Kent Radio Society is having a holiday photos evening. Details from Karl Davies, M1DFM, on 01227 710 120.

On Monday 17 October Felixstowe & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on amateur radio use of the Clansman radio system by Iain, G0OZS. More information from Paul, G4YQC, by email to pjw@btinternet.com.

On Monday 17 October Surrey Radio Contact Club is having a fix it, advice, chin wag and move it on evening. Contact John, G3MCX, on 02086 883 322.

On Tuesday 18 October Bromley & District Amateur Radio Society is holding its construction contest. Details from Andy, G4WGZ, on 01689 878 089.

On Tuesday 18 October Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is having a club net night. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Tuesday 18 October Verulam Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on antennas and VSWR by David, G4HHJ. Details from Tony, 2EOWAP, on 01727 853 087.

On Wednesday 19 October Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on aerial design principles by Roger, G3MEH. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday 19 October Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the history of light bulbs John Narborough. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816 684.

On Thursday 20 October Colchester Radio Amateurs is holding its AGM. More information from Kevan, 2E0WMG, on 07766 543 784. On Thursday 20 October Cray Valley Radio Society Club is hosting a Buildathon, run by Richard, G8ITB. This meeting will be a hands-on building session comprising of two categories, simple and experimental, where members will begin to construct a project from one of the categories. Details from Malcolm Bryan, G8MCA, on 07906 433 965.

On Thursday 20 October Horndean & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its AGM. Contact Stuart, G0FYX, on 02392 472 846.

On Thursday 20 October Horsham Amateur Radio Club is having a social evening at The White Horse, Maplehurst. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk.

On Thursday 20 October Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a club night at the shack. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564 242.

On Thursday 20 October Sutton & Cheam Radio Society is having a talk on noise eliminating products by Graham Somerville of bhi. More information from John, G0BWV, on 02086 449 945.

On Friday 21 October Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society is having a Fish-'n'-chips night. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 02085 021 645.

On Friday 21 October Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is holding its AGM. Contact Peter, G4AKG, on 01444 239 371.

On Friday 21 October Wey Valley Amateur Radio Group is having a talk by Roger Western, G3SXW on the Balkans Bonanza. Details on the web at www.weyvalleyarg.org.uk.

On Saturday 22 October Crystal Palace Radio and Electronics Club is holding a Foundation exam. Contact Bob, G3OOU, on 01737 552 170.

On Saturday 22 October Hastings Electronics and Radio Club is having an auction of used & surplus equipment at Holy Redeemer Church Hall, Upper Church Road. Doors open 9am for the auction at 10.15. Details from Gordon, on 01424 431 909.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST On Monday 17 October Appledore & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on QSLing by Don, G0RQL. Contact Brian Jewell, M0BRB, on 01237 473 251 for more information.

On Tuesday 18 October West Devon Radio Club is looking at constructing and testing homebrew wire antennas and baluns. Further information from Jules Cuddy, M1AGY, on 01752 291 588.

On Wednesday 19 October Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is having a video night. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Wednesday 19 October Trowbridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night. Details from Ian, G0GRI, on 01225 864 698, evenings and weekends. On Thursday 20 October Cornish Radio Amateur Club is holding an workshop evening at Gweal an Top school. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844 939.

On Thursday 20 October South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is planning for 2012. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

On Thursday 20 October Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the British Forces Broadcasting Service by Phil, M0PBZ. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Thursday 20 October Yeovil Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on life after the Foundation Licence by G3ICO. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk.

On Friday 21 October North Bristol Amateur Radio Club is holding a skittles night. More information from Dick on 01454 218 362.

On Friday 21 October Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

On Saturday 22 October Isle of Wight Radio Society will be celebrating its 53rd birthday. It will also be opening its new radio shacks at the club premises, Haylands farm, Salters Road, Haylands, Ryde, PO33 3HU. The shack opening will take place at 3pm. Contact Peter, 2E1PHW on 07515 155 214.

NEWS FOR WALES On Monday 17 October Dragon Amateur Radio Club is visiting Moelfre Lifeboat Station. More information from Stewart Rolfe, GW0ETF, on 07833 620 733.

On Tuesday 18 October Wrexham Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by a guest speaker. More information from Patrick, 2W0HUU, on 07947 701 927.

983. Heartland Chapter American Red Cross Deployment for Missouri River Flooding

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-15 06:38:50 UTC
From: ARRL Members Only Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20110620130408.C97E82056E@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 3973
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

We have been contacted by Bob McCoy, NBØB, who is acting as a disaster response volunteer with the American Red Cross (ARC). He is currently working on contingency plans in the event that ARC needs additional communications support for the Missouri River flooding deployment. It now appears that volunteers may be needed to implement communications support for positions staffed by ARC volunteers. This situation could exist for an extended period as the Missouri River flooding will last for the next few months.

This type of situation usually requires an initial response, expansion of the initial response to fill needed positions, and then a recurring need for replacement personnel as the situation continues.

Bob has been in contact with the Nebraska and Iowa ARRL Section Managers and SECs. It is expected that the first counties to be involved are Sarpy, Douglas, and Washington. Bob will be working this with the emergency coordinators of those counties.

We are letting you know about this as a “heads-up.” There are no specific requests for support at this time. We will keep you informed of the situation. If and when a request comes in, the response will be coordinated with county Emergency Coordinators.

73, Jon KAØJGG, Nebraska Section Emergency Coordinator (SEC)

ARRL Nebraska Section
Section Manager: Arthur I Zygielbaum, K0AIZ
k0aiz@arrl.org
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984. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #1031.3

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-15 14:32:28 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <228837.87911.qm@smtp104.sbc.mail.ne1.yahoo.com>
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Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network and G3XTT for the following DX information.

T32C PRESS RELEASE (Bulletin 9): "With just over one week to go the QSO total has now passed our total from 3B7C four years ago, with about 140,000 contacts in the log. QSO numbers don't reflect the whole story, of course, as we have wanted all along to focus on Europe and on the edge bands. The good news is that European QSO numbers are now well over 20k and growing fast, especially as propagation has picked up again in recent days. Low band openings to Europe have been variable – some days are excellent, some very disappointing. But we will hang in there (see below).

The second tranche of 11 operators arrived on the island earlier this week, to replace the 11 who had left. 16 operators are there for the whole 4 weeks. Several of those who left had the opportunity to operate from the KH6BB station on the USS Missouri in Pearl Harbour while transiting Hawaii on the way home. We thank Bill KH6OO, one of the volunteer guides on the Missouri, for making this possible and for giving us an excellent tour of the ship, which is well worth a visit.

The remainder of this bulletin sets out to answer some of the questions we are being asked. Many of the answers can, in any case, be found on our website or on the ClubLog website, but you may find this summary of interest.

I AM NOT IN THE LOG?

We are, as we have said before, unable to deal with your log queries while the expedition is in progress. The best solution, if you are not in the log, is to work us again. We will deal with queries during the QSLing process.

That said, one issue has arisen which may affect a handful of contacts. It is very difficult to achieve a good RF earth on T32 as the ground is fine,

dry coral. As a result, we occasionally get RF into places where it shouldn't be (despite lots of ferrites!) and this has occasionally taken out the link from radio to PC, which has affected the frequency logging. As a result some QSOs have been assigned to the wrong band. If you think you might be affected, please let us know (correct band and logged band) so that we can investigate and correct.

WHEN ARE YOU ON LF FOR EUROPE?

We have been asked to be more precise about our 80/160m scheduling at European sunrise. Starting on Friday 14 October, we will operate CW on 80m for two days at European sunrise, then we will operate 1 day on SSB. The pattern will be repeated, so CW days will be 14, 15, 17, 18, 20, 21, 23, 24 October. SSB days will be 16, 19, 22, 25 October. On 160m we are always on CW from our sunset to Western European sunrise.

CLUBLOG

T32C has generated a big increase in interest in ClubLog, but not everyone is aware of the full range of facilities it offers. Of particular interest is the propagation data, which is based on actual log data rather than forecasts. You can pull up graphs for your own country, your CQ zone, etc.

You may also not be aware that if you hover the mouse over the green tick showing your QSO, you will see who the operator was at the T32C end.

As regards the league tables, be aware that if you make multiple QSOs on a given band/mode slot, this pushes you below others who have the same number of slots but without such multiple QSOs. This is a consequence of the algorithm used within ClubLog for the league tables.

OTHER BANDS AND MODES

As we have said before, we do not anticipate any PSK operation – for DXCC this counts exactly the same as RTTY, where we are well on course to set a new record. Neither will we be on 60m – we did not ask for permission for this band, so it is not included in our licence. We may, though, do some 10m FM operation towards the end of the expedition. As far as RTTY schedules are concerned, RTTY operation is largely at the discretion of the scheduled operator – some T32C operators are more comfortable than others with RTTY operation.

Don G3XTT
T32C Publicity Officer"

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE
OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�lp>
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Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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985. SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 16 OCTOBER 2011

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From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <20111015190005.F036733C93@panix2.panix.com>
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The AMSATNA 2011 Space Symposium will be held on Friday, November 4-6 in San Jose, California. This year's Symposium coincides with the celebration of the 50th anniversary of OSCAR 1, the first Amateur Radio satellite. The Symposium will feature presentations on amateur satellites, operating techniques, news and plans from the amateur satellite world, as well as an AMSAT General Meeting and a meeting of AMSAT's Board of Directors.

While the final schedule is still being worked out, AMSAT has announced that Lance Ginner, K6GSJ, will be the speaker at the banquet. Ginner helped build and develop OSCAR 1 and OSCAR 2. His involvement with Amateur Radio spacecraft continued with OSCAR 3, OSCAR 4, OSCAR 5 (the first for the newly formed Radio Amateur Satellite Corporation in 1970), OSCAR 6, OSCAR 7 and OSCAR 8.

ARRL Laboratory Test Engineer Bob Allison, WB1GCM, will also be speaking at the Symposium, accompanied by a refurbished prototype of OSCAR 1. With help from Ginner and other AMSAT members, Allison and W1AW Station Manager Joe Carcia, NJ1Q, refurbished the prototype. They began tinkering with the satellite, one of three made by Project OSCAR. One of the satellites went up into space in 1961, one is on display at

the Smithsonian Air and Space Museum in Washington, DC and the other, until recently, was sitting in a display case in the downstairs hallway at ARRL Headquarters.

"We really wanted to make this work again," Allison said. "So we looked in the February 1962 issue of QST that was dedicated to OSCAR I, the first-ever Amateur Radio satellite to go into orbit. But the schematic we published didn't quite mesh up with what we were seeing when we opened up the satellite we had here at Headquarters."

According to Carcia and Allison, this could be that back in the days of the Cold War and the space race, the US military did not want the correct schematic falling into improper hands. "I tried for days, tracing components on the board and it just wasn't working," Carcia said. "So I called up Lance Ginner, one of the original Project OSCAR people. He kind of laughed and said that he didn't think they would do that, but you never know."

After much trial and error, Carcia finally got OSCAR I to transmit a signal on 145 MHz, just as the original satellite did. Since specific technical literature on the satellite was unavailable, information taken from 1962 QST and CQ articles assisted in the reconstruction of the transmitter in the ARRL unit. Much care was given to salvage the original components, although time had taken its toll on most of the circuitry. As such, although the transmitter functions, the actual keying of the transmitter is performed using a PIC beacon keyer. Power is supplied using a standard wall-cube providing 12 V DC.

For more information on the AMSAT Space Symposium, including how to register online, please visit the AMSAT Space Symposium web page at www.amsat.org.

AN ADVANCED LICENCE - AN INTERESTING DEBATE

At the RTA symposium held in last month, the question "If South Africa gets an advanced licence what should it look like?" was actively discussed by chairmen and representative of several Gauteng clubs and delegates present at the RTA. The consensus was yes, the SARL should pursue this issue with ICASA at the Amateur Radio Symposium planned for ICASA staff in February 2012. The discussion concluded that such a license should support two main objectives: to involve more radio amateurs in technology and to stimulate competition amongst radio amateurs in all aspects of the hobby. What the requirements are for such a licence had a wide range of responses and undoubtedly will still be debated for some time. There was a fair amount of agreement that it should be experimentally based and not an academic examination.

An Edited (irrelevant discussion outside the subject removed) version of the debate is available on the web. The SARL will hold an Intecnet on the subject on Sunday 30 October 2011 at 19:30. Clubs who did not link their local repeaters to the teleconference bridge are invited to start making arrangements.

SARL WEBSITE UPDATE

Peter Hers, ZS6PHD, reports that the major current problem appears to arise where a single fault occurs and the transaction is terminated before it can correctly perform all housekeeping. This in turn prevents further transactions from executing, resulting in the "ASP 0113" timeouts experienced. The system then takes some time to recover.

Current work is focused on stabilising the system, and this will take priority over any other changes, improvements and fixes to previously existing faults. Good progress has been made in ensuring that the server is correctly set up to support our web site. Certain sections of the site (Swopshop, QSL system) have been temporarily disabled to reduce the number of faults which impact on the web site availability. These will be restored as soon as availability has been improved.

As users will have noted, when it is operating correctly, the response from the website is excellent. The processor can easily cope with the load, and typically runs at less than 5% utilization. Bandwidth is ample and is not a constraint at any time. We are tracking site availability in various ways.

Peter has set up a special email address to log problems. If you find an unusual problem PLEASE email this to sarlweb@peterhers.co.za. I do scan the forum from time to time, to check that it is working correctly, and in case any odd behaviour is reported, but please do not rely on the forum to communicate problems. There is very little value in continually reporting "ASP 0113" timeouts - we are fully aware of these via system logging. At this stage we are not considering major changes, such as a move to PHP scripting, or ASP.NET. The costs of this would be prohibitive to the SARL.

Finally, please remember that every one working on the SARL web are volunteers, and have jobs, families and other responsibilities, and also like to play amateur radio, so all work is carried out in whatever time becomes available!

CONTEST NEWS

The last SARL QRP Sprint for the year is taking place on the 22nd October 2011. The rules can be found in the "Blue Book". This is a good opportunity to test your mobile or QRP rig. Lets have some fun on the 22nd October.

SARL 80 m Club Contest.

The fifth leg of this contest took place on Wednesday 28 September with RTTY and PSK activity. The committee received six logs representing three clubs.

1st West Rand ARC, 33 points and 4 logs 2nd Sandton ARC, 9 points and 1 log 3rd Antique Wireless Association, 6 points and 1 log

After this fifth leg, the overall results are:

1st West Rand ARC, 324 points and 24 logs 2nd Antique Wireless Association, 61 points and 7 logs 3rd Bloemfontein RAC, 39 points and 2 logs 4th Northern Cape ARC, 29 points and 2 logs 5th Sasolburg ARC, 26 points and 1 log 6th Sandton ARC, 18 points and 2 logs 7th Port Elizabeth ARS, 17 points and 1 log

The last contest in the series is a CW contest on Wednesday 30 November.

2011 SARL VHF/UHF Results for September leg

The following stats can be gained from the logs received. 5 Logs were received, 3 stations operated analogue only, 1 station analogue & digital whilst 1 operated digital only. On the analogue side there were 82 stations on 2 m, 6 stations on 4 m, 26 stations on 6 m, 34 stations on 70 cm and 2 on 23 cm. On the digital side, there were 6 stations working FSK441 on 6 m and 2 stations working FSK441 on 4 m.

The results are as follows:- Digital Contest 1st - Andre Botes,ZS2ACP, 44 785 points 2nd - Derek Gravett, ZS5Y, 19 954 points

Analogue Contest 1st - West Rand ARC, ZS6WR, 48 070 points 2nd - Sasolburg ARK, ZS4SRK, 31 225 points 3rd - Magalies ARK, ZS6MRK, 12 879 points

Longest distance worked (km) 6 m - analogue, 171 - digital, 1181 4 m - analogue, 78 - digital, 1181 2 m - analogue, 368 - digital, 460 70 cm - analogue, 135 23 cm - analogue, 8

Overall results from both legs (March & September) Analogue 1st - West Rand ARC, ZS6WR, 48 070 points 2nd - Sasolburg ARK, ZS6SRK, 31 225 points 3rd - Magalies ARK, ZS6MRK, 12 879 points

Digital 1st - Andre Botes, ZS2ACP, 183 641 points 2nd - Derek Gravett, ZS5Y, 163 177 points 3rd - Pierre van Deventer, ZS6A, 113 758 points

The full results have been posted on the forum. The results will also appear in the HF Happenings.

The "Lucky Draw" winner is ZS2ACP, Andre Botes.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP reports that solar activity remains low, but the quiet is unlikely to last with so many sunspots turning towards Earth. A new spot group emerged and was numbered Region 1 320. There are currently ten numbered regions, several producing C-class events.

For the people doing their own frequency predictions the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 80.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of fun with DX opportunities at varies times of the day.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

15/16 October - Jamboree on the air. 20 October - RA Examamjnation. 22 October - Last QRP-sprint for 2011. 30 October - Intechnet on proposed advanced license. Till 31 October - ZL-stations with ZM prefixes and ZL4RUGBY and ZL6RWC on the air. 4/6 November - AMSAT NA Space Symposium in San Jose California. 13 November - Pears HF Competition 12:00 till 16:00 UTC. 19/20 November - SARL Field day competition. 20 November - CW leg of 80m Club competition. 27 November - Digital Competition. 30 November - last day to send logs for Pears HF DX-expedition. 31 January 2012 - closing date for submitting papers for SA AMSAT Space Symposium.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz (250 kW and was 17 750 kHz). There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 16:30 UTC on 4 895 (100 kW and was 3 230 kHz). Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by Gustav, Z6SBWN.

Thank you for listening, 73.
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986. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1032

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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Message-ID: <467038.3032.qm@smtp102.sbc.mail.ne1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 3976
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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 9th-October, through Sunday, 16th-October there were 229 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3D2/R, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5U, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H40, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HK0/a, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T32, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TN, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VP2M, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, XW, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3D2R, ROTUMA. The Rotuma High School Amateur Radio Station, 3D2RI, was heard active this past week on 20 meters SSB (14253 kHz). Operators have been Dennis and Joshia. QSL via KH6CG. The 3D2R Team donated the equipment for the station. For more details, see 3D2RI on QRZ.com.

3V, TUNISIA. SWL Ashraf "Ash", 3V4-002 (KF5EYY), will be active as 3V8SS from the "Radio Club Station of Tunisian Scouts" in Sousse, during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via LoTW or to LX1NO. Read about Ashraf on the following Web page at: http://www.qsl.net/3v4-002

3XY, GUINEA (Reminder). Look for operators Georg/DK7LX, Wolf/DL4WK, Sigi/DL7DF, Frank/DL7UFR, Jan/SP3CYY and Leszek/SP3DOI to be active as 3XY1D this week from Guinea between October 18th and November 1st. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. They plan to have several stations on the air using 5 transceivers (4 x K2, 1 x IC7000), 4 x kW linears, 2 x 18m Lowband Verticals, a 2 element vertical for 40m, a 2 elemet vertical for 30m, a vertical R7 for 40/30/20/17/15/12/10m, 2 Spiderbeams for 20/17/15/12/10m, a 5 element Yagi for 6m and some Beverage antennas. One station will be exclusively dedicated to RTTY, PSK31 and SSTV. QSL via DL7DF, direct or by the Bureau. For more details and updates, visit: http://www.dl7df.com/3xy1d/index.html

4C, MEXICO (Special Event). Members of the Club de Radio Experimentadores de Occidente (XE1TD) and in conjunction with the Federaci&#65533;n Mexicana de Radio Experimentadores (FMRE) will activate special event station 4C1JPG between now and October 30th. Activity is to celebrate the 2011 and XVI Pan American Games in Guadalajara. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK and the Satellites. QSL via LoTW, by the Bureau or direct to XE1GZU: Luis Zepeda Hernandez, P.O. Box 5-273, Guadalajara, Jalisco 45042, Mexico.

6W7, SENEGAL. Francis, F6BLP, will once again be active as 6W7SK from Mbour between January 20th and February 3rd, 2012. Activity will be holiday style using the same station as last time (IC-7000 into G5RV antenna) operating mainly CW. QSL via F6BLP, direct or by the Bureau. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW and eQSL. For more details, logs and pictures of his last operation, visit: http://www.f6blp.org/index.php?langue&#65533;&contenu&#65533;me.php

8P, BARBADOS. Tom, W2SC, will once again be active as 8P5A during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via NN1N or LoTW.

8Q, MALDIVES (Update to OPDX.1017). Cesare, I0WDX, will be active as 8Q7CC from Furanafushi Island (AS-013), North Male Atoll, Maldives, between November 2-12th. QSL via his home callsign direct only. A Web page is now active at: http://www.dxcoffee.com/8q7cc

9U, BURUNDI. Francesco, IV3TMM, will be active as 9U3TMM from Bujumbura (WW Loc. KI46QP) between December 28th and January 4th (2012). Activity will be on the HF bands using SSB and RTTY. PLEASE NOTE: All QSL cards will be sent through the Italian Bureau. More details are forthcoming.

A5, BHUTAN. Operators Just/LA9DL and Erling/LA6VM will be active from Bhutan using the callsigns A52DL and A52VM, respectively, between November 3-13th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using IC-7000s and amps. Look for the callsign A52DL to be mainly on PSK and SSB, while A52VM will be mostly on CW. QSL via their home callsigns.

A7, QATAR. Members of the Qatar Amateur Radio Society are heading for the beach again for a Multi-Operator/Multi-Transmitter entry in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th). This year the A73A team will include operators from nearly all the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) countries. Operators mentioned are Ali/A71BX, Rashid/A71AD, Abdulla/A71CV, Khalid/ A71CO, Mohammad/A71EL, Saif/A71AM, Suli/7Z1SJ, Faisal/9K2RR, Hamad/9K2HN, Ibrahim/A61ZX, Farid/A41MX, Don/N1DG, Dave/K5GN and Tobias/DH1TW. The Field-Day style setup will begin the weekend before the contest, so look for A73A from then until sunrise, after the contest is when it all comes down. Activity on the 30/17/12m bands are not planned - the objective is the contest. QSL via EA7FTR.

BA, CHINA (IOTA Op!). David, BA4DW, informs OPDX readers that he has been activating the Chinese IOTA islands for 13 years. The first as BA4DW/5 from IOTA AS-137 back in year 1999. He will now activate his 16th IOTA group, the last of the mainland China's coastal IOTAs, as BA4DW/7 from IOTA AS-139, Weizhou Island in the Guangxi Autonomous Region Group between October 21-24th. His equipment will be a TS-50 and wire dipole antennas. QSL via his home callsign direct.

C2 & CE0Y, NAURU AND EASTER ISLAND. Look for Joe, LA5UF, to be active from Nauru (C2) as C21UF between October 17-24th, and Easter Island (CE0Y) as CE0Y/LA5UF between November 3-11th. Activity from both locations will be on CW and PSK31. QSL via his home callsign.

CN, MOROCCO. Operators Ahmed/CN8WK, Saaid/CN8WW, Stefano/IK2QEI, Matteo/ IK2SGC, Flavio/IV3TMV, Maurizio/IV3ZXQ, Tine/S50A and Andy/YO3JR will be active as CN3A from Safi during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via LoTW or via IV3ZXQ. Visit their Web page at: http://www.facebook.com/pages/CN3A/112969535390789

D2, ANGOLA. Vylery, UA0QV, has renewed his D2QV license to operate from Vila Catoca, Province Lunda Sul-Saurimo, Angola, until July 8th, 2112. Activity will be on 40/20/17/15/12/10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. He will use ICOM 756 PRO 2 into a 40m dipole and a 2 element QUAD for the other bands. If possible he wants to erect an antenna for 80 meters. This past week he has been very active on 12/10 meters CW and SSB. QSL via UT0EA, by the Bureau or direct. QSL also via LoTW.

DL, GERMANY. Operators Yoshi/JK2VOC and Takashi/JA2BNN will be active as DL/homecall between October 26th and November 1st. They plan to be in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th). QSL via their home callsigns.

DXCC NEWS (2011 Yearly Deadline Rapidly Approaching). Bill Moore, NC1L, Awards Branch Manager, reports: "This is a reminder that the deadline for the DXCC Annual List (for the 2011 DXCC Yearbook) and the Honor Roll listing (scheduled to be published in August 2012 QST) is rapidly approaching. In order to appear in these listings, upon qualification, you must have your 2011 submission into DXCC by December 31, 2011. As always, all mail postmarked by December 31st will be OK for these listings." To see the qualifications to appear in the listings, see details under (2011 Yearly Deadline Rapidly Approaching) on the ARRL's "Awards Blog" at: http://www.arrl.org/awards-blog

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS. "Wild Bill", WB6BFG, is expected to be active sometime during October as E51BFG from Rarotonga Island (OC-013, WFF E5FF-002). Activity will be on the HF bands. QSL via LoTW or via his home callsign. "The Daily DX" reports that Bill is part of a Multi-Op team from California to be an entry in the CQWW SSB DX Contest (October 29-30th). No other details are available.

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS. Just a reminder that Bill, N7OU, will be active as E51NOU from Rarotonga Island (OC-013, WFF E5FF-002) between October 17th and November 7th. Activity will be limited to his spare time as work allows on 80-10 meters CW only. QSL via N7OU. He is expected to head to Manihiki Atoll (OC-014), North Cook Islands, after the Rarotonga operation between November 8-22nd.

E7, BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA. Operators Richard/9A1TT, Chris/9A5K, Ranko/E70R, Vlado/E70T, Sanjin/E71DX, Vedo/E72U, Radomir/E74IW, Zoran/E76C, Robert/ E77E, Braco/E77DX, E77WM and Bill/F5SNJ will be active as E7DX during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via E77E.

EA6, BALEARIC ISLANDS. A Hungarian team will be active as EA6/homecall from the Balearic Islands between November 1-8th. Operators mentioned are Laci/HA7PL, Csaba/HA6PJ, Zsolt/HA6PS and Alex/HA7JJS. Their main goal is to take part in the HA QRP Contest (80m cw only) using the Radio Technika Szerkestosege callsign, EA6/HA5RT, but the operators will also work 80-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL info is as follows:
EA6/HA5RT - eQSL or direct to home callsign
EA6/HA6PJ - eQSL or direct to home callsign
EA6/HA6PS - eQSL or direct to home callsign
EA6/HA7JJS - to home callsign, by the Bureau or direct
EA6/HA7PL - to home callsign, by the Bureau or direct

FS & PJ7, SAINT MARTIN AND SINT MAARTEN. Jean-Pierre, F5AHO, will be active from Saint Martin (NA-105) and Sint Maarten (NA-105, WLOTA 0711) between November 17-30th, as FS/F5AHO and PJ7/F5AHO, respectively. He will also activate Tintamarre Island (NA-199) during the weekend as FS/F5AHO/P. Activity will be mostly on 20/17 meters using SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via F5AHO, direct or by the French Bureau.

FY, FRENCH GUIANA. Herve, F5HRY, will be active as FY/F5HRY from FY5KE's QTH during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Single-Op/ Single-Band (10m) entry. Listen for QSL instructions.

FY, FRENCH GUIANA. Marc, F1HAR, will be active as FY5KE during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (15m) entry. QSL via FY5KE, by the Bureau or direct.

H40, TEMOTU PROVINCE. German operators Peter/DG1FK and Sigi/DK9FN will once again return to Temotu Province for a third time and be active as H40FK (PSK/RTTY) and H40FN (CW), respectively. Activity will again be from Lata Motel on Nendo Island (OC-100) between February 7-20th, 2012. Operations will probably be on 160-6 meters depending on the band conditions. QSL H40FN via HA8DD, and H40FK via DG1FK.

HP, PANAMA. Rene, HP1DCP, will be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. QSL via HP1DCP.

IOTA NEWS.....
EU-174. Operators Peter/HA5OV (J48OV) and Laci/YU7CM (J48CM) will be active from Thassos Island, Greece, between October 26th and November 2nd. Activity will include the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) with J48OV as a Single-Op/Single-Band (40m) entry, and J48CM as a Single-Op/Single-Band (80m) entry. QSL via their home callsigns. Also, look for them to be active November 1-2nd in the HA QRP (80m, CW only) contest.

EU-189. (ROCKALL) The Documentary Archives Radio Communications compiled a comprehensive Rockall Web page - from early plans in the mid-60's (with hinter to unpublished documents) to MM0RAI/P, including an interview with Patrick, ON4HIL, one of the operators. See: http://www.dokufunk.org/rockall

NA-240. NEW IOTA/DATE CHANGE! Rick, K6VVA, is currently making plans for another Alaskan IOTA next year, this time to the Bethel County IOTA Group. The group contains Kwigluk and Pingurbek Islands. The operation depends on a few final details and WX. The dates of the operation have been changed to accommodate those going to Friedrichshafen, so the dates are now June 28-30th, 2012 (not June 22-24th, 2012, as first announced). For more details and updates, watch the following Web and Twitter pages: http://www.k6vva.com/iota/na240 http://twitter.com/#!/k6vva

OC-128. Hiro, JJ5GMJ, will once again be active as DU1/JJ5GMJ from Palawan Island, Philippines, during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power/Assisted entry. QSL via LoTW, also via JH5RXS(direct) is "OK".

JW, SVALBARD. Operators Hans/LA5HPA, Njaal/LA3XTA and Peter/LA7QIA/JW7QIA will be active as JW5E from the club station in Longyearbyen on Spitsbergen Island (EU-026) during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Multi/Single entry. Njaal has only had his ham license for 10 months, and this will be his first SSB contest. We hope our fellow contesters will treat him nicely :-) .....

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (October 17-23rd)....
Oct/17th AN Oct/20th AN Oct/22nd HN-AN
Oct/18th AN Oct/21st AN* Oct/23rd AN
Oct/19th AN

* Orionid Meteor Shower; Debris From Halley's Comet (October 20-21st) - VHFer's Delight - Best Viewing Between Midnight and 2:00 AM Due To Moon Rising!!!

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HN - High Normal Unsettled K 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K 9 100-400

L90, ARGENTINA (Special Event). Fernando, LU1ARG, Secretary of the Radio
Club Argentino (RCA - <www.lu4aa.org>), informs that the RCA will be
active as L90AA starting October 21st through the end of the month.
Activity is to celebrate the 90th anniversary of the RCA founded in
1921. The RCA is one of the oldest amateur radio associations in the
world, and was also one of the founders of the IARU in 1925. Look for
operations to be on all bands using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL
via LU4AA, direct or by the Bureau.

OH0, ALAND ISLAND. Look for OH0Z to be active once again in the CQWW DX
SSB Contest (October 29-30th), but as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power
entry. Operator will be Tomi/OH6EI. QSL via W0MM.

PJ2, CURACAO. Some of the members of the Caribbean Contesting Consortium
(CCC) will once again activate Signal Point Station on Curacao (SA-099,
WLOTA LH-0942) as PJ2T during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th)
as a Multi-Multi entry. Operators mentioned are Geoff/W0CG (PJ2DX),
Wayne/K8LEE, Joe/W9JUV, Daniel/N1ZZ, Gus/W1BV, Adam/W1ASB, Don/VA7AB and
David/VA7DXC. QSL PJ2T via W3HNK or LoTW. Look for the above operators
to be active before/after the contest as PJ2/homecall or their own PJ2
callsign.

PU5, BRAZIL. Look for 13 year old Eduardo, PU5FJR, to be active in his
first CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band
(10m)/Low-Power entry. QSL via PP5JR (his father).

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....................
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated October 16th)

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9A/IW3ILP via IW3ILP EN15J via UU5JW PG540BUFFALO via
PA2REH
CR5FMG via CT2CGY HP1/DJ2ST via DJ2ST (direct only) RK9UN via W3HNK
CR5LUZ via CT2GPD J3/PE1IGM via PA3C SC3N via EA8CN
CU7MD via CT3MD JT1RF via VE7YBH SU8JOTA via SM5AQD
DA7C via DO4HAM JW/LB9UE via LB9UE TA2/DL2JRM via
DL2JRM
EA8/DL3FCG via DL3FCG JW3TR via LA3TR TJ3AY via F5LGE
EE5BX via EA5BX JW8BCA via LA8BCA VK4NM via M0OXO
EK3GM via IK2QPR LR5H via LU3HKA XQ7HL via CE3AA
EM15L via UR5LO LX/DF1LON via DF1LON YB8EL via EA7FTR
EM15M via UR3MP LZ11PPE via LZ1KZA YE4W via YF4IJ
EM15UCRF via UT3UZ OL60DG via OK1DG YV7BMZ via EA7FTR
EM800BZB via UY5BC P29FR via I2RFJ YW1Y via YV5AJ

AT0ULH QSL STATUS. QSL Manager Deepak, VU2CDP, announced this past week that "the QSL cards have been printed and few direct requests have been answered over the last weekend. The rest would continue to be answered during the coming weekends." Bureau requests can be sent via E-mail to him at "vu2cdp [at] yahoo [dot] co [dot] in" to speed up the turn-around time. Bureau cards will be sent out as part of his annual dispatch to the VU Bureau in December.

QSL HO1X and HP1/DJ2ST via DK2KT only. Activity was from Panama by Swen, DJ2ST. The callsign HO1X was used during the WAG Contest (This past weekend) from Contadora Island (NA-072), and HP1/DJ2ST was used outside the contest.

ST0R QSL STATUS. Antonio, EA5RM, informs that he will have mailed more than 26,000 QSOs by Monday, October 17th. He states that the pile of QSL cards are still too high, but expects to finish with the donors and OQRS cards before he leaves home to go to Andorra and participate in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) with the C37N team of URA, URE and REF operators (see QRZ.com or go to http://www.gdgdxc.net/c37n).

VK0TH QSL STATUS. QSL Manager Masa, JE1LET, reports that the Macquarie Island QSL cards for VK0TH are now being prepared. It will take some weeks before the cards are sent. Please do not rush your requests for the card. Requesting later, and giving him some time, will be greatly appreciated.

QSL YW3Y via YV5AJ (No EURO-BUREAU). Members of the Radio Club Venezolano activated "Mysterious Cold Mountain" (Grid FK50MJ, 1,100 MASL) in the Yaracuy State this past week (October 12-16th). The expedition team was composed of YY5CHJ, YY5DCV, YY5WG, YY5CWM, YY5FRD, YV5NEA, YV5HUJ, YV5LI, YV5JBI, YV5SSF, YV5KQA, YV5JF and YV8ER. Activity was on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB, Satellite and the Digital modes.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 9M6YBG, BD4CQ, DU3/N0QM, DV1/JO7KMB, EV1R, H7DX, HA1AD, IF9ZWA, J39BS, JS8AJA, JW8AJA, KH2/N2NL, KL7RRC, LU5FZ, OH0Z, RA3XDX, RI1ANC, RZ6LY, UN3GX, UT3UA, UT7UJ, UT7UV, VE2GHI, XE2VAS, YN2GA, YO9HP and YS3CW

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3Y0E, 5N7M, 9K2HN, EZ75R, HH3/N3BNA, OJ1ABOA, OX6YL, RI1FJ, SM/OH2FFP, ST0R, T6MO, T6TL, XX9LT, ZC4MIS and ZS8T

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: NONE REPORTED THIS WEEK!

S9, SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE (Update/Delayed). Operators Matt/K0KKO and Ed/K0GUV will be active from Ilheu das Rolas (AF-023), Sao Tome, using the callsigns of S92DX, S9CW and S9SX, between March 16-23rd (not October 21-27th, as first announced). Activity will be on the HF bands and 6 meters. They plan to have two 6 meter stations on the air (50.105/SSB and 50.105.7/CW). They also plan to use EME. No other details were provided. For updates, watch: http://www.k0kko.net/pb/wp_5bd6e10c/wp_5bd6e10c.html

T32, CHRISTMAS ISLAND. With more than a week to go, the Five Star DXers Association (FSDXA) group continues to be very active as T32C from Kiritimati (Christmas Island) until October 26th. As of 0702z, October

16th, the T32C operation has made 148669/QSOs with 36835 Unique Callsigns (61194/SSB, 75155/CW, 12259/RTTY and 61/FM). Logs will be uploaded to ClubLog <www.clublog.org/charts/?c&#65533;2C&a&#65533;bed> on a daily basis, and any news posted will be on the T32C website. For more details/updates, visit their Web page at: http://www.t32c.com

T6, AFGHANISTAN (Update). Les, WB8LES, Defense Contractor pilot who is stationed in FOB (Forward Operation Base) Shank, Loghar Province, announced T6LB is on the air from Afghanistan. He states that he was surprised about the pile-up on the air, and he is trying hard to get as many of you in the log as possible. Les is expected to be on the air every day starting at around 1300z until November 2nd. He mentions, "I am going to work 14310 kHz and up. The noise level here is about 6db constant. Hopefully, I can make some adjustments to the antenna location to improve that. 40 meters and 17 meters are to follow." Les will be posting updates and the times and frequencies (for 40/20 meters) on QRZ.com for those who need a T6 confirmation. He is expected to be there until November 7th. QSL via WB8LES.

T8, PALAU. Operators Nob/JA1KSO (T88NB), Hiroshi/JH1WXT (T88XT) and Tsuyako/JR1WMO (T88WL) will be active from the Palau Pacific Resort on Arakebesang Island (Koror Island) between October 29th and November 2nd. Look for them to sign as T8AA in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th). QSL via JH1WXT.

TX5, MARQUESAS ISLANDS (Update to OPDX.1030/Reminder). An international team of operators will be active as TX7M from Hatiheu, Nuku Hiva (OC-027) this week between October 19th and November 1st. They plan to be active on 160-10 meters (including 30/17/12m) using CW, SSB and RTTY, with 4 stations on at the same time on different bands and modes. Suggested TX frequencies are:
CW: 1831.7, 3527.7, 7027.7, 10107.7, 14027.7, 18077.7, 21027.7, 24897.7, 28027.7 and 50106 kHz
SSB: 1840.7, 3797.7, 7077.7, 14197.7, 18167.7, 21297.7, 24987.7, 28497.7 and 50130 kHz
RTTY: 1840.7, 3585, 7038, 10132, 14082, 18097.7, 21082, 24922 and 28082 kHz
The RX frequencies (usually announced by the operator) are available at: http://www.tx7m.com/plans.php
For more details, visit the TX7M Web page at: http://www.tx7m.com
Currently the team is active as TX3T from Papeete, Tahiti (OC-046), until the 19th.

V4, ST. KITTS (NA-104). Andy, N2NT, will be active as V47NT from the QTH of V47KP during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/ All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via W2RQ.

VC2, CANADA. Operators Noel/VE2BR and Gregg/VE3ZZ will once again operate as a Multi-Single entry in the CQWW SSB DX Contest (October 29-30th) using the special callsign VC2Z. QTH will be Mercier, Quebec (Zone 5, Grid Loc FN35ch). QSL to VE2BR direct or by the Bureau.

VK9C, COCOS (KEELING) ISLANDS. Just a reminder that Lot/DJ7ZG and Babs/ DL7AFS will be active as VK9CX between October 19th and November 9th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via DL7AFS.

VK9X & VK9C, CHRISTMAS AND COCOS (KEELING) ISLANDS. Pekka, OH2YY, will be active as VK9XM from Christmas Island (OC-002) on November 4th, and then again between November 8-11th. He will also be active as VK9CM from Cocos (Keeling) Island (OC-003) between November 5-7th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters SSB only. Pekka states, "I'm going to use a 200w trans-ceiver but the antenna set-up is still under consideration." QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the SRAL QSL Bureau. His direct address is: Pekka Ahlqvist, Vapaalanpolku 8B, 01650 Vantaa, Finland.

VU2, INDIA. Pai, VU2PAI, in Mangalore, will be active during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. Activity will be on 160-10 meters. QSL via VU2PAI direct (QRZ.com address). Please do not send green stamps. IRCs are "OK".

ZA20, ALBANIA. Operators Steve/HA0DU, Joe/HA0LC, Imi/HA0MK, Laci/HA0NAR and Fatos/ZA1G will active using the special callsign ZA20QA from Vlore between October 25th and November 1st. Activity is to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the 1991 ZA1QA DXpedition by Jani/HA0NNN and Gyozi/HA0MM. Operations will be on 160-2 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. They will also participate in CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th). QSL via HA0NAR.

ZD8, ASCENSION ISLAND. Marko, N5ZO, will be active as ZD8O from Ascension Island (AF-003) during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via OH0XX. Marko informed OPDX that he will be there by October 20th and will leave on November 1st. He states that he will operate some CW and SSB prior to contest probably starting the weekend preceding the contest. Activity will be on all HF bands, but not on the 30/17/12 meter bands. He states, "I'm not going there for a DXpedition, and my main focus will be on preparing for the contest, but I will operate a bit here and there before the event to test out equipment and antennas, but I will not operate hours and hours during the week preceding the contest. After the contest I don't expect to turn the radio on."

ZD8, ASCENSION ISLAND (Update). Operators Al/W6HGF/ZD8F and Tom/K7ZZ/ZD8ZZ will be active from Garden Cottage on top of Green Mountain on Ascension Island (AF-003) between November 8-22nd. Look for Al to focus on RTTY, while Tom will provide the CW operations. Both operators will operate SSB at times, and there may be some 6 meter opening opportunities. QSL via their home callsigns direct only or LoTW. It appears that there is no internet available for them on the mountain.

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987. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 16th October 2011

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Irish Radio Transmitters Society
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IRTS AGM and Rally 2012

The IRTS AGM and Rally will take place April 21st and April 22nd 2012. Dundalk Amateur Radio Society ,EI7DAR, will host the event at the Fairways Hotel, Dundalk. Amateur Radio Clubs requiring a table/stand at the event is requested to contact Dundalk Amateur Radio Society on www.ei7dar.com. All enquiries are welcome.

Foyle and District Amateur Radio Rally

The Foyle and District Amateur Radio Club Rally takes place November 6th 2011 at the White Horse Hotel, 68 Clooney Road, Derry, BT47 3PA. Doors open at 12 noon. The usual traders will be present and IRTS will have a stand also on display. Further details from www.mn0aku.co.uk .

Limerick Radio Club

Limerick Radio Club have started their club meetings for the current season. We had a very good turnout of members and started with a talk on the recent IARU conference by Ger EI4GXB. The club repeater which developed a fault in the last few weeks has been repaired by Simon EI7ALB and is now QRV. Tom EI5CA will conduct CW classes for club members on Tuesday nights at 7.30pm at the Tait Business Centre, Dominic Street. Limerick.

Shannon Basin Radio Club

The Shannon Basin Radio Club will be having a meeting on Friday the 28th October in Hannons Hotel, Roscommon at 20:30. All members are asked to attend and non-members are welcome. Please see www.shannonbasinradioclub.com for details.

EI8GNB /at/ CQ WW DX SSB Contest

David EI8GNB will be part of the PJ2T team for the upcoming CQ WW DX SSB Contest, 29th-30th October. David currently resides in Canada using the call VA7DXC, but as an Irish national uses his EI call when abroad. In the days running up to the contest keep an ear out for PJ2/EI8GNB from Curacao.

EI8GQB aka ON4EI

Benneshill October 24th-31st 2011

Oliver will again be QRV from Ireland near Fethard (IO62EL) on top of Benneshill (170m ASL) with his Irish callsign EI8GQB. He will enter the CQ WW DX SSB CONTEST as SOAB Low Power Non Assisted (October 29-30).

During the week before the contest Oliver will set up 5 antennas to support SO2R operation. Reference frequency is 7.100 MHz +/- QRM.

Equipment: -18m top loaded vertical monopole for 160-80m bands + 32 radials. -2 Spiderbeam antennas for 20/15/10m bands. -200m long beverage East-West. -3 elements East-West bi-directional inverted V beam for 40m band. -Rigs are Elecraft K3 & Kenwood TS2000.

Olivier will hold a daily blog on www.qrz.com/db/EI8GQB

DX News

A group of amateurs from Germany and Poland will be active from Guinea in West Africa from 18 October until 1 November. The callsign in use will be 3XY1D and they will be found on all bands 160-6m. The QSL Manager is DL7DF

Following on from the TX3T activity mentioned last week the team will travel on to the Marquesas Islands from 19 October to 1 November where the callsign TX7M will be used. During the CQ WW DX SSB Contest on 29-30 October the call will change to TX5A. The Marquesas Islands are quite a rare DXCC entity so this is a good chance to log it.

A not too common prefix for the island of Malta will be aired by a group of German operators when they sign 9H9OP during the period 14-22 October. QSL Manager is DH7WW.

The well-known husband and wife team of DXers Lot DJ7ZG and Babs DL7AFS will be on the Cocos Keeling Islands from 19 October until 9 November using the callsign VK9CX. They will operate on all bands 80-6m.

East Kiribati (T32) DXpedition

The T32C DXpedition now has over 120,000 QSOs in the log. Over the past week, propagation to Europe has improved somewhat; there are now more than 50 EI stations and 20 GI stations in the log. So far, top band has

eluded most Irish stations - at the time of writing, Dick GI3OQR is the only Irish station with a 160 metre QSO in the T32C log.

There is still plenty of time to work T32C; the group plans to be on the air for another 10 days.

CEPT proposes frequency allocation for amateur radio

A small allocation of about 15 kHz in parts of the 500 kHz band to the amateur radio service on a secondary basis - this proposal has been made by a project team of about 50 representatives of European governments and other stakeholders in preparation for the next World Radiocommunication Conference WRC12. They followed an invitation of the Federal Network Agency in Germany and met by the end of September in Mainz. The discussion led to a compromise in the size of the amateur radio band, namely 480 kHz - 472 kHz, with a maximum power of 5 W EIRP.

30th anniversary of UoSAT-1 (OSCAR-9)

On October 6, 1981 the United Kingdom's first Amateur Radio Satellite UoSAT-OSCAR-9 was launched. Surrey Satellite Technology Limited (SSTL) celebrated the 30th anniversary of the launch of Surrey's first satellite, UoSAT-1. Launched into orbit on 6th October 1981, UoSAT-1 was designed and built by a team from the University of Surrey led by SSTL founder Sir Martin Sweeting, G3YJO.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

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"In less than one month, 9N7MD, the dxpedition organized by the Mediterraneo Dx Club, in Nepal from 13rd to November 25th, will be on air. Recently we have had new great arrivals and now our complete team, with so many well know and experienced guys, is the following:

IZ8CCW - Team Leader, Gabriele, I2VGW - Team Co-Leader, Ziv 4Z4OQ, Bernard F9IE, Luis XE1L, Tony IZ2ESV, Pino I8YGZ, Fabrizio IZ2KXC, Dov 4Z4DX, Marco CE6TBN, Henri F1HRE, Michel, F5EOT, Alberto, IV3BSY, Marco IZ2GNQ, Sergio IZ3NXC, Eric ON7RN, Guillermo XQ3SA, Adhi YB3MM

The whole team is very motivated and so determine to hardly work 24/24 hours each day to give to the greatest number possible of dxers, from all over the world, the greatest number possible of new ones bads/modes. If, as all of us wish, the internet connection will allow it, on our official web-site <http://www.mdxc.org/nepal2011/> , we'll keep on touch every day with the dxer community and we'll update our log in real time. During our permanence in Nepal we kindly ask you to send any question only to our two pilots IZ8BGY (for Europa and Asia), N1DG (for USA).

The OQRS system is ready and it will be soon online, and, in few days, you can find and tested the logsearch engine. We'd like just to remind you that any help and donations will be very very appreciated because all the starting cost are now increasing. Please don't miss also the unique target of 9N Trophy, an opportunity to win nice prizes, that will be also a way to have a good time together.

We suggested you to spend a minute, time to time, visiting our web site <http://www.mdxc.org/nepal2011/> to stay tune and to insert your comments, suggestions, etc.

We are waiting for you on air
73's de 9N7MD team"

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989. Reminder: ARRL Iowa State Convention

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The ARRL Iowa State Convention "Hamboree" is this coming weekend:
Saturday, October 22nd - 8:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.

For more information, please visit:
http://3900club.com/mycustompage0034.htm

I hope to see you there.

73, Art

ARRL Nebraska Section
Section Manager: Arthur I Zygielbaum, K0AIZ
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990. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 10 - 16 October 2011

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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
10 - 16 October 2011

Solar activity was low. Activity for the period consisted of
numerous C-class flares. The primary contributors were Region 1319
(N11, L=051, class/area Eki/280 on 16 October) and 1314 (N25, L=056,
class/area Cho/370 on 12 October). The background solar flux levels
and sunspot numbers stayed elevated throughout the week due to the
number of active regions on the disk, but most of these were stable
and were not flare productive.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
background levels throughout the period.

The geomagnetic field was mostly quiet during the week. A brief
substorm interval was observed at high latitudes early on 12
October. There was a modest increase to quiet to unsettled levels
with some isolated active periods at high latitudes on 15-16
October. Solar wind observations from the ACE spacecraft indicated
an increase in solar wind velocity on 15-16 October which had
signatures consistent with a coronal hole driven high speed solar
wind stream.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
19 October - 14 November 2011

Solar activity is expected to be predominantly low with a chance for
an isolated M-class event for 19 October - 01 November due to the
number of active regions as well as the return of old Region 1302
(N12, L=280, class/area Fkc/1300 on 24 September), which produced
two X-class flares and numerious M-class flares during its previous
disk transit. Though initially very active, old Region 1302 decayed
and became much less flare productive by the time it exited the
solar disk on 05 October. As of the issue date of this report (18
October) old Region 1302 was just beginning to rotate onto the solar
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disk and appears to be a likely source for occasional C-class flares and may pose a slight threat for M-class flares. Solar activity is expected to decline to very low to low levels for the remainder of the interval from 02-14 November. As always during this time of the cycle there is also a chance for unexpected flux emergence which could elevate solar activity levels.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at background levels for most of the outlook interval with the exception of 28 October - 01 November when an increase to high levels is expected due to recurrence.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be quiet for 19-27 October, generally unsettled for 28-30 October, quiet for 31 October - 02 November, unsettled for 03-05 November, quiet for 06-10 November, unsettled for 11-13 November, and quiet for 14 November. The increases to unsettled levels are expected due to recurrence from coronal hole driven high speed solar wind streams.

991. HOT SEXY VIDEOS AND ROMANTIC BEAUTIFUL PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-19 10:06:28 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <fa30da2e-916d-4401-875f-de14d34c7cb2@l10g2000pra.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3981

A TO Z INFORMATION SEE IN THIS SITE

http://atwoztopic.blogspot.com/

ALL HOT PHOTOS SUPER SEXY PHOTOS

http://alltoux.blogspot.com/2010/09/hot-lip-kiss-135.html

ALL JOBS SITES FREE SEE

http://jobstwo.blogspot.com/

HOT VIDEOS

http://hotvideotoou.blogspot.com/2011/01/kiss-videos.html

hot lip kiss
http://hotvidos.blogspot.com/2010/07/hot-lip-kiss.html
hot kisses
http://hotvidos.blogspot.com/2010/07/hot-kisses.html
hollywood hot videos
http://hotvidos.blogspot.com/2010/07/hollywood-hot-videos.html
real hot videos
http://hotvidos.blogspot.com/2010/07/real-hot-videos.html
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992. [RAC-Bulletin] Radio Talk 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-19 17:15:00 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4E9E0652.9060202@rac.ca>
Source record: 3982
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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Radio Talk 2011 is a new event being sponsored by the West Island Amateur Radio
Club. Radio is many things to the many individuals who make up the Amateur Radio
Community.

Radio of all types is being reinvented in these modern times. It is a tool for
communications, a means of entertainment, and a source of information.
Radio Talk 2011 will be a day of presentations, demonstrations, and discussions about
radio.

For this first edition of the event, sessions will be held in English. Future events will be
augmented with French sessions depending on demand and interest.
Confirmed presenters are:

Pr&#65533;sentateurs Confirm&#65533;s :
Morrie Portnoff VE2BWS:
Field Day&#65533; A Newbie&#65533;s Experience
Jimmy Howard VE2JWH:
Microwave or Laser Communications
Roger Coud&#65533; VE2DBE:
Evaluation of VHF+ Radio Links using Radio Mobile software
Sheldon Harvey VE2SHW:
Radio in the 21st Century
Leo Nikkinen VE2SI:
TBA/&#65533; venir
Cliff Tooher VA2UTC: Blogging and Amateur Radio
Confirmed displays:
Expositions confirm&#65533;s :
Montreal Solder Spot will display their 2m JPole and Powerpole projects
Dave Cheney will display five or six of his antique radios (working order).
Contact / info
Venez Participer samedi 26 novembre &#65533; :
Join us Saturday, November 26 at:
Lakeside Heights Baptist Church
275 Braebrook
Pointe-Claire H9R 1W1
Doors open 9h - Admission $5 - 16 and under are free

Les portes ouvrent 9h.
Prix d entr e $5. Gratuit pour ceux de 16 ans et moins.
AutoGuidage :
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VE2RWI 146.91 (-)
http://radiotalk2011.wordpress.com
Courriel, email :
Terry VE2WTQ, radiotalk2011@aol.com

Radio Talk 2011 est un nouvel v nement parrain par le West Island

Amateur Radio
Club.

Le loisir de la radio repr sente plusieurs int r ts pour les indivi
dus
composant la
communaut des Radioamateurs.
Les technologies radio de toutes sortes sont r invent es et se
renouvellent:

La radio est utilis e comme un outil de communication, un
divertissement, une source
d information.

Radio Talk 2011 sera une journ e de pr sentations, de d monstration
s,
et de discussions
ax es sur la radio.

Pour cette premi re dition de l v nement, les sessions seront
en
anglais. Les
v nements futurs seront augment s avec des sessions en Fran ais
selon
la demande et
l int r t port .

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993. The ARES E-Letter for October 20, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-20 06:14:59 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20111020041910.9F9AC25C94@bmail.arrl.org>
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==> ARRL BRIEFS WHITE HOUSE STAFF ON AMATEUR RADIO'S CAPABILITIES
DURING EMERGENCIES

On September 12, at the invitation of White House Cybersecurity
Coordinator Howard A. Schmidt, W7HAS, the ARRL briefed several members
of the National Security Staff on the capabilities of the Amateur Radio
Service to communicate in emergencies. "The White House is looking for
ways that the great work of Amateur Radio operators can continue to
support emergencies in the future with particular attention to
increased use and dependency on Internet-based technologies," Schmidt
said. The ARRL presentation, conducted by Emergency Preparedness
Manager Mike Corey, W5MPC -- along with President Kay Craigie, N3KN,
and Chief Executive Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ -- focused on Amateur
Radio's current and evolving capabilities to provide Internet messaging
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connectivity. - ARRL Letter

==> CALIFORNIA HOSPITAL ARES GROUP POSTER ACCEPTED AT DISASTER CONFERENCE

The Hospital Disaster Support Communications System of Orange County, California (HDSCS) was honored to have its poster presentation, "Volunteer Amateur Radio Communications in Hospital Emergencies: A Proven Resource," accepted and presented at the recent California Hospital Association Disaster Planning Conference <http://www.calhospital.org/public/disaster-planning-conference-agenda-announced> in Sacramento. Click here <http://www.calhospitalprepare.org/CHCMhandout> for more information on the presentation by HDSCS member and Certified Hospital Communicator Dave West, KI6EPI. West is also the Disaster Coordinator for College Hospital in Costa Mesa, California and has been involved with two other hospitals over the 31 years of HDSCS supporting facilities in Orange County. He was a major supporter of HDSCS before ever becoming an Amateur Radio operator in 2006. -- April Moell, WA6OPS <emcom4hosp@aol.com>, ARES District Emergency Coordinator, Hospital Disaster Support Communications System <www.hdscs.org>, Orange County, California

==> ARES/NTS STUDY: ECAC SUBMITS INTERIM REPORT

ARES and the National Traffic System exist as the ARRL's implementation of the basic principle stated in 97.1(a), "Recognition and enhancement of the value of the amateur service to the public as a voluntary non-commercial communication service, particularly with respect to providing emergency communications." The Emergency Communications Advisory Committee (ECAC) was tasked by the ARRL Board of Directors' Programs and Services Committee to recommend improvements to ARES® and NTS so that the amateur service can better serve the public in providing emergency communications. Assigned study topics include, but are not limited to, ARES and NTS objectives and organizational structures; integration between ARES and NTS; training, certification, and credentialing; and relationships with served agencies.

ECAC Chairman Dale Williams, WA8EFK, has filed an interim progress report with the PSC, and reported that the panel of ECAC members from across the country "began this challenging assignment immediately. Knowing that both ARES and NTS operations across the country are based in strong legacies, proven methodologies and expertise, our initial effort was to capture field opinions of the current status of both organizations." "Our immediate goal is to determine how ARES and NTS are viewed by those directly involved," Williams said. "We need to understand the good features of both groups, where we are in terms of capabilities, where we should be, what shortcomings we face, and how we can best make any needed changes."

Williams reported that over a period of 60 days, "we prepared survey questions to be introduced to the leadership of both groups. Using two

independent teams, we developed an extensive series of questions for the field organization. These were evaluated and combined to form the basis of our planned surveys. To minimize the potential for rumor and innuendo to negatively affect the surveys, we sent advanced copies of both to the NTS leadership for their review and to Section Managers for forwarding to their individual SECs for their viewing. This also afforded the opportunity for the field leadership to offer input and suggestions about the prepared questions and their format. We accepted the field replies and incorporated several changes to the surveys."

Williams found that "our initial information effort outlined above resulted in early feedback that indicates there may be a need for major paradigm shifts in expectations, organizational structures and how we train the general ham population for handling traffic in an emergency. We know initially that both ARES and NTS are wildly different across the country. Some units function very well, some are quite dysfunctional. We intend to discover why the differences exist and how the Best Practices of the successful groups can be translated into successes for problem groups."

The final version of the survey forms was accepted by the ECAC at a September 14 conference call and the ECAC is now preparing to release the surveys to the field, NTS Managers, and SM/SECs.

Williams concluded that "plans call for a thorough review of the reported data, the building of a report matrix, completion of any necessary follow-up work and then the results analysis. Our next report should contain the analysis and an outline of the project projections."

It must be emphasized that nothing has been decided and only information is being sought at this time by the ECAC, which exists solely as an advisory committee to make recommendations to the League's Board of Directors.

What is the NTS?

The National Traffic System (NTS) is a structure that allows for rapid movement of message traffic from origin to destination and training amateur operators to handle written traffic and participate in directed nets. These two objectives are the underlying foundations of the NTS. It's a system that operates daily, even continuously with advanced digital links.

The NTS consists of operators who usually participate for one or two periods a week, and some who are active daily. The National Traffic System is an organized effort to handle traffic in accordance with a plan that is easily understood, and employs modern methods of network traffic handling.

NTS is not intended as a deterrent or competition for the many independently-organized traffic networks. When necessitated by overload or lack of outlet for traffic, the facilities of such networks can function as alternate traffic routings where this is indicated in the

best interest of efficient message relay and/or delivery.

One of the most important features of NTS is the system concept. No NTS net is an independent entity that can conduct its activities without concern for or consideration of other NTS nets. Each net performs its function and only its function in the overall organization. If nets fail to perform their functions or perform functions intended for other nets, the overall system may be adversely affected. Nets may sometimes find it necessary to adopt temporary measures to ensure the movement of traffic, however. - ARRL Public Service Communications Manual

The best way to get to know the National Traffic System is to hook up with a local NTS traffic net in your area where messages (Radiograms) are entered and others are accepted for delivery by mail or phone. Local clubs, repeater groups, and ARES operators are all good sources for local info on NTS activity. -- K1CE

==> AFTER ACTION REPORTS

No communication effort is complete until an After Action Review has been conducted and the After Action Report drafted. The AAR is the best way for us to conduct a candid self-assessment of our performance during an event. The U.S. Agency for International Development has published an excellent guide on after action reviews. That guide offers this definition of an AAR: "An after-action review (AAR) is a professional discussion of an event, that focuses on performance standards and enables development professionals and colleagues with similar or shared interests to discover for themselves what happened, why it happened, and how to sustain strengths and improve on weaknesses. The AAR tool affords leaders, staff, and partners an opportunity to gain maximum benefit from every program, activity, or task."

It goes on to say that an AAR provides:

• Candid insights into specific strengths and weaknesses from various perspectives

• Feedback and insight critical to improved performance

• Details often lacking in evaluation reports alone

The guide also describes the AAR as "...the basis for learning from our successes and failures. A good manager or leader does not learn in a vacuum: the people involved in an activity--those closest to it--are the ones best poised to identify the learning it offers. No one, regardless of how skilled or experienced they are, will see as much as those who actually carry out the events, program, or activity. The AAR is the keystone of the process of learning from successes and failures.

Feedback compares the actual output of a process with the intended outcome. By focusing on the desired outcome and by describing specific observations, teams can identify strengths and weaknesses and together

decide how to improve performance. This shared learning improves team proficiency and promotes bonding, collegiality, and group cohesion.

Though not a cure-all for all issues or problems, the AAR provides a starting point for improvements to future activities. Because AAR participants actively discover what happened and why, they can learn and remember more than they would from a critique or formal evaluation. A critique only gives one viewpoint and frequently provides little opportunity for discussion of events by participants. Other observations and comments may not be encouraged. The climate of a critique, focusing on what is wrong, often prevents candid discussion and stifles opportunities for learning and team building."

In short, every participant should have input into the AAR since everyone's experience was different during the event. One very useful format for an AAR is to ask and answer the following questions:

• What did we expect to happen?

• What actually happened?

• What went well and why?

• What can be improved?

With these simple questions we can quickly focus on what our communications plan anticipated (our expectations) versus the reality of what happened during the event and then identify the pluses and minuses of both our plan and performance. This can all be done in a way that focuses on facts and not on personalities. If possible, a debriefing held immediately after the event can be a convenient way to get all participants' impressions while still fresh in their minds. Even if a debriefing is used it can still be beneficial to allow for written comments within a few days after team members have had a chance to reflect on the event. It can be helpful to circulate the draft AAR for comments and suggestion before the final version is released.

The AAR is useful for both the communications team as well as the event planners. Those "lessons learned" are invaluable for the planners and the future communication unit leaders. Remember, we can never be sure who is going to be filling those roles for future events so we cannot simply rely on someone's recollection of what was done and how well things went in past years. A written communications plan and an AAR are the best tools for providing both continuity and improvement from year to year. Although the communications team's AAR is intended to specifically address its plans and performance, most event organizers will also appreciate constructive comments and suggestions regarding the overall event. -- Jim Aylward, KC8PD, EC, Portage County ARES, Ohio

==> ARES® DOCKET

Walker County, Texas -- On two occasions this month, ARES coordinated through the local 440 MHz machine to have ice and water brought to the

Incident Command of a wild land fire. I have to commend all of our first responders during this serious time. They have given maximum efforts to protect life and property locally. This applies to all of the state. - Joe Connell, KB5DTS, PIO, Huntsville, Texas

Portage County, Ohio -- ARES of Portage County (Ohio) held a Public Service Communications Basic Skills class on August 30 with more than 35 in attendance. We were very pleased with the attendance. A handout has been made available to the other counties in our ARES district for their use. Copies available to readers also at kc8pd@portcars.org <http://webmail.cfl.rr.com/do/mail/message/mailto?to=kc8pd%40portcars.org>. -- Jim Aylward, KC8PD, EC, Portage County, Ohio

==> ARRL PARTNERS' ROUNDUP

American Red Cross

Here is an online orientation <http://www.redcross.org/portal/site/en/menuitem.d229a5f06620c6052b1ecfbf43181aa0/?vgnextoid=fa5f2b0d3232b110VgnVCM10000089f0870aRCRD#orientation> for volunteers serving the American Red Cross. Read a concise history <http://www.redcross.org/portal/site/en/menuitem.86f46a12f382290517a8f210b80f78a0/?vgnextoid=271a2aebdaadb110VgnVCM10000089f0870aRCRD&vgnextfmt=default> of the venerable organization. Get to know who you are serving as ARES emcomm operators.

FEMA

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is encouraging participation in the Great California ShakeOut earthquake drill, October 20 at 10:20 AM Pacific Time. FEMA hosted a webinar on the ShakeOut that helped participants understand what the ShakeOut is and how to participate. A recording of the webinar will be available in their webinar library <http://citizencorps.gov/news/webcasts.shtm>.

The ShakeOut provides a tangible way to participate <http://www.shakeout.org/howtoparticipate/> in preparedness by focusing on the potentially life-saving actions of "Drop, Cover, and Hold On" during and immediately after an earthquake. The recent earthquake on the East Coast shows that earthquakes can happen practically anytime, anywhere, so FEMA is encouraging participation even if you don't live in California. To join, go to www.ShakeOut.org/register <http://www.shakeout.org/register> and pledge your family, school, business, or organization's participation in the drill. It's free to sign up.

Readers may remember the Great Central U.S. ShakeOut <http://blog.fema.gov/2011/05/not-too-late-to-drop-cover-hold-on.html> from earlier this year, where over 3 million people across 11 states practiced earthquake safety. Here's a look at the upcoming ShakeOut events: October 20, 2011: California <http://www.fema.gov/goodbye/goodbye.jsp?url=http://www.shakeout.org/>, Oregon

<http://www.fema.gov/goodbye/goodbye.jsp?url=http://www.shakeout.org/oregon/>,
Nevada
<http://www.fema.gov/goodbye/goodbye.jsp?url=http://www.shakeout.org/nevada/>,
Guam
<http://www.fema.gov/goodbye/goodbye.jsp?url=http://www.shakeout.org/guam/>;
February 7, 2012: Central United States
<http://www.fema.gov/goodbye/goodbye.jsp?url=http://www.shakeout.org/centralus/>
- Missouri, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Tennessee, Alabama,
Mississippi, Arkansas; April 17, 2012: Utah
<http://www.fema.gov/goodbye/goodbye.jsp?url=http://www.shakeout.org/utah/>.
For more information on ShakeOut earthquake drills, visit
www.shakeout.org <http://www.shakeout.org/> and learn about getting
prepared for earthquakes at Ready.gov/earthquakes
<http://ready.gov/earthquakes>.

==> LETTERS

Center of Activity Frequencies

Thanks for the mention of the global SET exercises in the last issue,
and the center of activity frequencies for emergency communications.
These centers of activity were established by IARU-promulgated
gentlemen's agreements, and are not well understood by the amateur
community at large. The IARU has advocated that contesting and other
such activity be curtailed on or adjacent to them. All amateurs should
be aware of these frequencies, and be cognizant of the fact that often
stations requiring emergency assistance are not high powered stations
with great antenna systems. Often they are mobiles, portables operating
from the bush with a simple wire antenna or on a sailboat. I hope
readers will learn about the CoA frequencies and help educate their
fellow amateurs. Remember that the next person aided on one of these
frequencies could be you. There are frequencies in each of the HF
amateur allocations worldwide. Remember that ARRL is an IARU member,
and IARU has taken the leadership in promoting this, but it needs our
help to get the word out. -- Richard Webb, NF5B, Chair, NTS Central
Area Staff [Webb is frequently an active net control on the 14.300 MHz
emergency nets.]

The Emergency Center of Activity (CoA) Frequencies are:

On 15 meters, 21.360 MHz

On 17 meters, 18.160 MHz

On 20 meters, 14.300 MHz

On 40 meters, 7060 kHz

On 80 meters, 3760 kHz

For more info, click here <http://www.iaru.org/emergency/CoA1.html> and
here <http://www.rientola.fi/oh3ag/garec/frq.html>. There is also a
wealth of information on international emergency telecommunications on

the IARU's Web site <http://www.iaru.org/emergency/>.

ARES/NTS

Regarding the article "ECAC Studying ARES/NTS Issues" and particularly this paragraph: "Williams said that there is a feeling that the "last mile relationship between traffic handlers and ARES members seems to be broken. Neither feels an affinity towards the other. NTSers in general don't join ARES and vice-versa, yet both groups have claims on abilities to handle traffic in an emergency. Fixing this may also be a goal of the committee."

I am not part of NTS because I don't have HF capability. My wife (KI4SBI) and I were able to pass traffic as the last mile on an NTS message once, but mostly we stick to two-meters on the local repeaters. Our primary radios are still 5W HTs, even in our vehicles.

If we didn't live in a deed-restricted community (we bought before we were licensed) we'd have HF at the house. Since we're stuck until the housing market improves, I installed my G5RV antenna at the county EOC to give some limited HF capability there. Even in the EOC ham shack, we barely have HF because the antenna yard is too small to deploy an inverted-V with widely spread legs.

My thought on the ARES and NTS separation is that the connection between HF and UHF/VHF users isn't what it needs to be. That's a function of equipment costs and differing interests within the larger ham radio hobby. I'll be interested to see what suggestions arise to help bridge the local versus HF groups. -- Allan West, WA4JD <wa4jd@cookie.org>, Gainesville, Florida [The writer and his wife are active in ARES/RACES and the CERT program through their local emergency management agency].

==> RED CROSS CLOSES HISTORIC ARLINGTON, VIRGINIA OFFICE

During September, the Red Cross closed its Arlington, Virginia Office. The Arlington County Amateur Radio Club had used the radio room there to support the Arlington Red Cross Chapter since 1977. It was from this radio room that George Saunders, KR4MU, operating the Club radio

station W4WVP maintained the only contact between the Arlington Red Cross Chapter and the Red Cross response at the Pentagon during the early hours of the 9/11 terrorist attack. -- James Hastings, K9AUC, Alexandria, Virginia

==> ARRL INVITES NOMINATIONS FOR 2011 INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN AWARD

Nominations are open for the 2011 ARRL International Humanitarian Award. This award is conferred upon an amateur or amateurs who demonstrate devotion to human welfare, peace and international understanding through Amateur Radio. The League established the annual prize to recognize those radio amateurs who have used ham radio to provide extraordinary service to others in times of crisis or disaster.

As one of the few telecommunication services that allows people throughout the world from all walks of life to meet and talk with each other, Amateur Radio spreads goodwill across political boundaries. The ARRL International Humanitarian Award recognizes the Amateur Radio Service's unique role in international communication and the assistance amateurs regularly provide to people in need.

Nominations should include a summary of the nominee's actions that qualify the individual (or individuals) for this award, plus verifying statements from at least two people having first-hand knowledge of the events warranting the nomination. These statements may be from an official of a group (for example, the American Red Cross, The Salvation Army, a local or state emergency management official) that benefited from the nominee's particular Amateur Radio contribution. Nominations should include the names and addresses of all references. - ARRL

==> NOMINATIONS OPEN FOR HART AWARD

The George Hart Distinguished Service Award -- established in 2009 -- may be presented by the Board of Directors to the ARRL member whose service to the ARRL's Field Organization is of the most exemplary nature. The Distinguished Service Award is named in honor of George Hart, W1NJM, long-time Communications Manager at ARRL Headquarters and chief developer of the National Traffic System. Selection criteria include: Operating record with the National Traffic System, or Participation within the Amateur Radio Emergency Service, or Station appointments and/or leadership positions held within the Field Organization.

Nominations for the George Hart Distinguished Service Award shall be accepted from anyone and shall be submitted to the Membership and Volunteer Programs Manager at ARRL Headquarters by November 1. Nominations should document as thoroughly as possible the nominee's lifetime activities and achievements within the ARRL Field Organization. It is expected that nominated candidates will have 15 or more years of distinguished service. The Programs and Services Committee will serve as the Review Committee, with the Board of Directors making the final determination at its Annual Meeting in January. Recipients will be given an engraved plaque and cover letter, and will be profiled in QST.

Nominations for the 2012 George Hart Distinguished Service Award, including any related supporting material and letters of recommendation, may be e-mailed to ARRL Headquarters to the attention of ARRL Membership and Volunteer Programs Manager Dave Patton, NN1N. Nominations and supporting materials must be received no later than November 1, 2011 to be considered.

==> WHY THE FEMA COURSES?

For many years, Amateur Radio has longed to be taken seriously by governmental authorities as a professional-quality resource in disaster response. Although there are areas of the country where achieving and

maintaining emergency management agencies' respect is still a struggle, Amateur Radio's service during 9/11 and the major hurricane disasters has brought us a new level of respect and new opportunities at the national level.

Being taken seriously as a resource comes with a price, however, that must be paid by individual volunteers, not in dollars but in precious personal time. When the federal government instituted the National Incident Management System (NIMS), it imposed a set of requirements on state and local emergency management agencies and their personnel. Affected personnel include not only paid employees of emergency management and related agencies but also volunteers such as those in volunteer fire companies, ARES, and RACES. If the emergency management agencies are to continue receiving federal funds, personnel must complete a number of FEMA training courses having to do with the Incident Command System (ICS) and NIMS. Individuals who do not complete the training will not be allowed to participate, even as volunteers.

These FEMA courses are free of charge, available on line or sometimes in person at emergency management offices, and not particularly difficult. The courses are useful in familiarizing volunteers with the principles of the Incident Command System and showing where communications fits into the ICS structure. These formal requirements are here to stay and more may follow. At the national level, Amateur Radio has earned the respect we always wanted, bringing us closer to the emergency management establishment. - excerpted from the ARRL National Emergency Response Planning Committee Report (2007)

Recommended Courses

♦ ARRL Introduction to Emergency Communication- <http://www.arrl.org/online-course-catalog>Course #: EC-001. This is a revision of the former Emergency Communications Basic/Level 1 course. This on-line course is designed to provide basic knowledge and tools for any emergency communications volunteer. Prerequisites: ICS-100 (IS-100.b <http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/IS/IS100b.asp>) (Introduction to the Incident Command System); and IS -700 <http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/IS/IS700a.asp> (National Incident Management System). Also recommended, but not required, are: IS-250 <http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/IS/is250.asp>, Emergency Support Function 15 (ESF15), External Affairs; and IS-288 <http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/IS/is288.asp>, The Role of Voluntary Agencies in Emergency Management. The course covers: The Framework: How You Fit In; The Networks for Messages; Message Handling; What Happens When Called; Operations & Logistics; Safety & Survival; and What to Expect in Large Disasters.

♦ Red Cross or AHA combined course in Adult CPR/First Aid/AED Basics <http://www.redcross.org/portal/site/en/menuitem.d8aaecf214c576bf971e4cfe43181aa0/?vgnextoid=aea70c45f663b110VgnVCM10000089f0870aRCRD&vgnextfmt=default>

♦ FEMA IS-100 (Introduction to Incident Command System)
<http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/IS/IS100b.asp>

♦ FEMA IS-700 (National Incident Management System)
<http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/IS/IS700a.asp>

==> ITU: WHAT IS THE TAMPERE CONVENTION?

When disaster strikes, communications links are often disrupted, yet for relief workers who arrive on the scene these links are essential. Victims of disasters are now able to benefit from faster and more effective rescue operations, thanks to the Tampere Convention on the Provision of Telecommunication Resources for Disaster Mitigation and Relief Operations. Before the Convention existed, the trans-border use of telecommunication equipment by humanitarian organizations was often impeded by regulatory barriers that made it difficult to import and rapidly deploy telecommunications equipment for emergency without prior consent of the local authorities. The treaty simplifies the use of life-saving telecommunication equipment.

The Tampere Convention calls on countries to facilitate the provision of prompt telecommunication assistance to mitigate the impact of a disaster, and covers both the installation and operation of reliable, flexible telecommunication services. Regulatory barriers that impede the use of telecommunication resources for disasters are waived. These barriers include the licensing requirements to use allocated frequencies, restrictions on the import of telecommunication equipment, as well as limitations on the movement of humanitarian teams.

The Convention describes the procedures for the request and provision of telecommunication assistance, recognizing the right of a country to direct, control and coordinate assistance provided under the Convention within its territory. It defines specific elements and aspects of the provision of telecommunication assistance, such as termination of assistance. It requires countries to make an inventory of the resources - both human and material - available for disaster mitigation and relief, and to develop a telecommunication action plan that identifies the steps necessary to deploy those resources.

The International Telecommunication Union <http://www.itu.int/en/Pages/default.aspx> (ITU) when requested will assist in fulfilling the objectives of the Tampere Convention. See also List of signatories to the Tampere Convention <http://www.itu.int/ITU-D/emergencytelecoms/List%20of%20Tampere%20signatories.doc>. Tampere Convention <http://www.reliefweb.int/telecoms/tampere/icet98-e.htm>. Press Release (2005) Tampere Convention on Emergency Telecommunications Comes Into Force <http://www.itu.int/newsroom/press_releases/2005/01.html>

==> TIPS: QUAKENET QSO 3.11

QuakeNet is in its third year of conducting emergency drills using Amateur Radio on 2-meter simplex. QuakeNet began with an idea at a meeting about emergency communications in September 2009 in San Diego,

California. With support and volunteers from the Amateur Radio Club of El Cajon, QuakeNet began simultaneously with the first ever California ShakeOut in 2009. This year QuakeNet is striving to be more valuable to more people, both Amateur Radio operators and anyone else interested in participating in the drill. This year there are three ways to participate: (1) Amateur Radio 2-meter Simplex and repeater; (2) Amateur Radio HF, and (3) Social networking- Twitter. http://quakenet.technetron.com/quake1/ <http://webmail.cfl.rr.com/do/redirect?url=http%253A%252F%252Fquakenet.technetron.com%252Fquake1%252F>
-- Joseph Matterson, KI6TTF <ki6ttf@live.com>

==> K1CE FOR A FINAL

I am still looking for more action reports from the field, especially during the recent spate of wildfires in Texas and the Vermont ARES response to Hurricane Irene. Readers want to learn about what their colleagues did to provide emergency communications in these areas that sustained such damage and trauma. Please send me your reports, and I will do my best to see that the they see the light of day here in the ARES E-Letter, which now has a circulation of more than 35,000 subscribers. ARRL Field Organization officials: by providing these reports, you will also have the opportunity to give your troops on the ground some much deserved recognition for their efforts in a major national outlet. Thanks! See you next month, 73, Rick K1CE

The ARES E-Letter is published on the third Wednesday of each month. ARRL members may subscribe at no cost or unsubscribe by editing their Member Data Page as described at http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/ares-el/.

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WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING OCTOBER 23 2011.

SILENT KEY VK1KM, WIA PRESIDENT MICHAEL OWEN VK3KI PAYS TRIBUTE. - WIA VP
PHIL WAITE VK2ASD IN THIS WEEKS DIRECTORS TALK.

THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING OCTOBER 23 2011.

SILENT KEY - VK1KM

Very many people in many countries were saddened by the sudden passing of
Keith Graham Malcolm VK1KM on Thursday, 13 October 2011.

Keith, was born on the 8th of December 1948.

Professionally he retired as Joint Director of the Communication Laboratory of
the Spectrum Management Agency, then to become a consultant to the Department
of Communications in relation to digital television broadcasting and television
black spots.

He attended many ITU meetings as a member of the Australian delegation, and
became widely known and respected.

Keith's interest in amateur radio started in the 1960's, in the very active
Melbourne VHF Group. He became the Group's President in the latter years of
the 1960's and his interest in VHF continued all his life.

As he wound down his professional life, he contributed a great deal to amateur radio, participating in the preparatory meetings and study group meetings for the World Radiocommunication Conferences on behalf of the WIA, and as a member of the Australian delegation to WRC-03 and WRC-07 representing the amateur services nominated by the WIA.

He provided valuable advice to IARU Region 3 in relation to its participation in the APT's APG, and valuable advice to the WIA in the standards area, particularly in relation to BPL and in relation to radiation exposure.

Keith was known for the ability to express complex concepts simply, and a rare skill with written language.

Keith was awarded the Ron Wilkinson Award in 2005.

The WIA and amateur radio is much poorer with the passing of Keith, an unassuming man of great knowledge and experience, who gave much through his representation and participation at the highest levels.

The funeral service for Keith was held in the Chapel of the Norwood Park Crematorium, Mitchell Friday.

(wia president michael owen vk3ki)

Starting next Friday, the Scout Members Amateur Radio Team will be working the special callsign VI6CHOGM for 72 hours straight from our club shack in Perth, Western Australia.

"To celebrate the occasion, 52 of the world's leaders, as well as her majesty the Queen are descending on Perth as well, under the guise of a Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting.

VI6CHOGM will be operating on all bands, using digital modes, SSTV and voice. We'll even be doing our best to make contacts via satellite in the afternoon passes.

If you are in VK6, we'd love your help in manning the microphone or attending as an onlooker, and if you are in any other state, we'd appreciate the contact - keep an ear out for us next weekend from Friday 28th to Sunday 30th October,.

For more information, including our real time logbook, visit www.vi6chogm.com

I'm Miles, VK6MAB for VK1WIA National News."

Each day in November is a VK 100 ARV day

The roster for the special callsign VK100ARV to be part of the Amateur Radio Victoria Centenary has been made public.

Scout Radio & Electronics Unit will kick it off on Melbourne Cup Day. Fitting around the DATV and Digital SSTV slots is Keith Proctor VK3FT chasing DX.

The Western and Northern Amateur Radio Club is on for five days and the Sunraysia Radio Group for three.

Individuals include Joe Walsh VK3XH, Luke Steele VK3HJ, Peter Freeman VK3PF, Terry Murphy VK3UP and Tony Hambling VK3VTH.

Although each day is allocated some limited flexibility remains. To enjoy this once in a life opportunity contact the Award Manager Tony Hambling VK3VTH vk3vth@amateurradio.com.au

And the roster for November can be seen at www.amateurradio.com.au

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

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WIA DIRECTORS SPOT THIS WEEK PHIL WAITE VK2DKN,

Hello Graham, hello listeners I'm Phil VK2ASD

I thought I'd say something this week about two of the initiatives that I'm involved in right now with the WIA and how they are progressing

The first one is the NSW Governments Planning Policy Review and in particular how it affects radio antennas in relation to antenna heights.

The WIA will be lodging its own submission to this review but it's very important that as many NSW amateurs as possible lodge their own independent submissions. Power is in numbers, and the greater number of people who lodge submissions the greater influence we are likely to have.

Details of how to lodge your submission can be found on the WIA website at www.wia.org.au

The second issue I want to talk about is how we are going in relation to emergency communications.

We now have a considerable number of radio amateurs who have been accredited as WIA Emergency Communications Operators. Those people who have been accredited will soon be receiving an identity card from the WIA office.

We are also establishing regional areas so the Emergency Communications Operators can be contacted if the need arises in their area. Each region will have a Regional Coordinator who will get to know the operators in their area, and who will also act as the first point of contact should we be requested to provide assistance.

The first task of the Regional Coordinators will be simply be to get to know the operators in their region and to give us feedback about the needs of local emergency and non-government organizations. I hope to be able to give you more information about this initiative shortly.

This is Phil Wait VK2ASD for the WIA.

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DAWN PATROL NET - 30 YEARS OF OPERATING BY LEITH MARTIN VK2EA

14 stalwarts logged into Leith's 30th anniversary Dawn Patrol net on Wednesday. Thanks to those who did and thanks to Leith from us all for his stirling service. We all look forward to having you around for some time to come.
(Summerland Amateur Radio Club)

Over next weekend October 29-30, the Port Stephens ARC will be hosting a Foundation Examination and Assessment weekend.

If anyone wishes to do an upgrade, they will also be happy to help you next weekend.

For more information or bookings, contact Leigh VK2KAL

vk2kal@wia.org.au.

Northern NSW and want to become a licensed Ham Operator?

The next Foundation weekend course in the area is planned for 29 & 30 October so contact Duncan VK2DLR to book a place on the course.

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Welcome to QNews from VK4WIA.

I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP, and I've been thinking.

Since the 100th anniversary of organised amateur radio, we have been making positive efforts to show our hobby to the public. Part of this campaign is to show the flag and, of course, give an opportunity to introduce new people to the hobby.

Around a large part of the world, we have just joined with the Scouting movement in Jamboree of the Air. Generally discussions are aimed at recruiting the scouts and guides. This usually doesn't include the leaders, many of whom are interested in the hobby as an adjunct to their scouting activities.

Remember that many scouts and guides enjoy gaining proficiency badges. Apart from the amateur radio operator's badge, there are also the communicator, technology, science and IT badges which can all have a direct relationship to amateur radio.

http://www.scouts.com.au/main.asp?iStoryID=15733697

Radio amateurs can offer assistance in attaining these badges and who knows maybe we will gain new fellow amateurs also.

I'm Geoff Emery and that is what I think....how about you?

CLUBBING - TO SUPPLY NEWS ITEMS:-
email qnews@wia.org.au

VK4 AREA SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- VHF

As this broadcast goes to air, today is the day of the Brisbane VHF Group's Microwave Activity Day.

The aim of the activity day is to foster and promote use of the many bands we have available above 1GHz, as well as demonstrating the special fun and experiences there are in getting gear going for these bands, and operating on these frequencies.

Things will get going at 10:00 am with a roll call on 144.150 MHz SSB.

An eye will also be kept on the Group's 2 metre repeater on 147 MHz for any potential operators who may only have that talk back medium available.

In order to accommodate the wide variety of apabilities and gear that is around, different bands will will be focused on in different time slots:

10:00 to 10:30 for 1296 MHz

10:30 to 11:00 for 1296 and 2403 MHz

11:00 onwards for the higher bands, 3.4, 5.7, and 10.3 GHz.

Liason will always be on 144.150 MHz SSB or 147 MHz FM. The idea of using a VHF talk back channel or frequency is well established in microwave operating practice around the world.

Locations will be several in greater Brisbane as well as spread around South-East Queensland from Toowoomba to Stradbroke Island and from the Gold Coast Hinterland to the Sunshine Coast and possibly Hervey Bay.

A list of presently known operators and bands available will be accessible on the VK-Logger Forum under 'Brisbane Microwave Activity Day' in the 'Events, Field Days and Portable Operation' section.

So, if the idea of amateur radio on the microwave bands interests you, check out what's happening at a location near you by visiting, or just listening on air.

Get involved in this opportunity for microwave amateur radio activity in South East Queensland.

TABLELANDS RADIO AND ELECTRONICS CLUB
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www.treclub.org.au

G'day again from the Atherton Tablelands this is Dale VK4DMC for the Tablelands Radio and Electronics Club, TREC, in a wet Far North Queensland.

TREC members met yesterday for a social get-together and show and tell, this was followed by a management committee meeting of the club. The meeting was well attended and planning has started for the 2012 club year.

TREC is also planning for the CQ World Wide DX contest that will held next weekend. This contest is one of the premier ham contests. We will be entering as a club and hope that the current solar conditions remain good. Members are looking forward to working some rare DX as this contest brings many ham stations out of the woodwork and onto the bands.

Planning is under way for the Spring VHF/UHF field day contest to be held on 26/27 November. TREC will be operating again from Hallorans Hill in Atherton QH22rr.

Well that's your lot for this week.

Once again don't forget to visit the TREC website at www.treclub.org.au for club information and you can also download the latest monthly club news in TREC-NEWS. Past issues are also available on the site.

This has been Dale VK4DMC and you are listening to QNEWS. Travel Well!

DISCUSSION POINT

What use is an f-call?

So, you've got your shiny new f-call license. Now what? Where do you go to get your kit, what do you buy, how much should you spend?

Let me start with the amount of money you should spend. It's your hobby, your wallet and your budget. You can get a radio for $20, or $2000, it all depends on how much you can afford. What I can tell you about money is that the radio is only one part of the purchase. If I look at my own set-up, less than 30% of what I spent went to the radio. My antenna represents nearly 40%, Power Supply comes in at 20%, the balance was spent on tools like a crimper and accessories like a remote microphone.

I must point out that this is for a set-up that can
work all bands.

The antenna part of the budget consists of two antennas, a ready-made one and an antenna tuner, squid-pole, mount and a home-made ground-plane and antenna wire.

I thought that it would be interesting to gather some statistics from other amateurs and I've put up a survey on the HARG site (under the F-troop section) at harg.org.au to gather some data on this to see if what I spent was as representative as I think it is.

Based on the results so-far, I spent less than the average on my radio and more on my antenna and as I suspected, I spent too much money on my power supply - the one I don't use very often, but I have two; batteries and 240V regulated, so we'll see how that turns out for me.

Feel free to fill in the survey and see how your spend compares to that of the average.

The purpose of me telling you all of this is to give you a sense of how much of your budget might be allocated to different parts. As one respondent to the survey said: "What budget?" Again, this is your hobby, your wallet and your decision. You can spend as much or as little as you want.

For me, I spent lots on my antenna because I figured I'd be broadcasting with 10 Watts, I'd better make sure it actually gets out. I already spend much time experimenting with other amateurs, their radios and antennas. I expect to do more of it.

Back to the topic at hand - what do you buy and where? The two are related.

I could spend the next hour telling you about all the places you should look, but that list is ever changing. A better way to do this is to talk to other amateurs and discuss this with them. There are many web-sites that have amateur radio reviews and opinions which will give you a guide as to where to look and where to avoid.

Personally, I purchased from several suppliers and used the eHam web-site as a guide to getting a range of views on a particular piece of kit. I'm not going to highlight any particular supplier, other than to say that I purchased all my kit, except for my crimping-tool, locally here in Australia. I chose my suppliers based on discussions I had with each of them, discussions I had with some of the amateurs I had met and I took my time.

I received my license in December, I started spending money in March - the time in between I spent doing research.

Finally, something that took me by surprise, when I bought my radio and antenna, I wasn't done spending money. I had to organise a power supply, wiring, fuses, connectors, coax cable, crimping tools, mounts, antenna hardware, multi-meter and things like a clipboard, a log-book and other paraphernalia.

What I'm saying is, 40% of my spend was on things other than the radio and the antenna. So leave some money in the kitty!

I'm Onno, vk6flab

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART and the WW sources of the WIA.

World's youngest nation joins ITU

The International Telecommunication Union has announced that the world's newest country, South Sudan, has joined the ITU to become the Union's 193rd Member State, effective from 3 October 2011.

AMATEUR RADIO FEATURED WELL AT THE IAC2011

Amateur Radio featured in several papers presented at the 62nd International Astronautical Congress held in Cape Town.

Several papers highlighted Amateur Radio involvement in satellites and SETI.

One paper, covered a global geographical survey of received signal's strength in the VHF band, data collected by SumbandilaSat, S067, provides useful information for selecting future ground station locations for minimum interference.

The study further gives an indication of frequencies to use for command and telemetry communication at existing ground stations.

SARL RESPONDS TO CAPE TOWN CITY RE ANTENNAS

Still in South Africa and the SARL has responded to a draft Telecommunications Infrastructure Policy for the City of Cape Town. During discussions the City's Environmental Agency confirmed that amateur radio antenna masts and structures are excluded from the Telecommunications Infrastructure Policy.

The SARL has requested that the amateur radio exclusion statement be incorporated in the policy.

However Amateur radio towers under 15 metres are exempt from environmental scoping as laid down in the environmental protection act.

German debut for follow-my-leader radio system

Fairfax news are reporting on a technology that permits follow-my-leader operation of a pair of tractors, one of which would be unmanned.

Poised to debut at an upcoming show in Germany, European tractor giant Fendt says it allows two tractors connected by satellite navigation and radio communication to operate as one unit with the second, driverless machine replicating the tasks being performed by the leading tractor driver.

With the radios turned OFF both tractors work independently.

Bletchley Park wins lottery funds

Bletchley Park Trust has been granted 4.6 million pounds from the Heritage Lottery Fund towards the regeneration of Bletchley Park.

The investment will enable the restoration of iconic Codebreaking Huts 1, 3 and 6, and create a world-class visitor centre and exhibition in the currently derelict Block C as soon as £1.7 million in match funding has been raised.

Not only will this development allow the conservation of buildings of highly significant heritage value, it will considerably improve the educational offering and visitor experience at Bletchley Park, the home of World War 2 code breaking in the UK.

Careful of those spuds, they may explode!

A total of 144 phosphorate grenades ex world war 2 vintage were found in the garden of James Duncan MM0HDW who came across them while digging in preparation for a new radio transmitter.

The Caithness Courier said that the Second World War munitions were destroyed in a controlled "burn-off" by Northern Constabulary and the Highlands and Islands Fire and Rescue Service.

Grand-daughter of designer G4ZU gets amateur radio licence

Congratulations to newly-licensed amateur Sarah Sipple M6PSK, who obtained her Foundation licence in October 2011.

Sarah is the grand-daughter of renowned amateur radio operator Gordon ("Dick") Bird G4ZU.

Dick Bird, who sadly passed away in 2005, is best known in the amateur radio community for his innovative HF antenna designs, and is credited for the design of the Bow-and-Arrow Yagi, the Birdcage and the Minibeam. The popular multi-band "Spider beam" Yagi (sometimes referred to as the "Skypper"), is also based on a design by Dick Bird G4ZU.

Asked if she has any plans to create her own innovative antennas, Sarah said: "Don't expect to see any novel antenna designs from me just yet. I'm very pleased to be able to carry on the family tradition, and I still have a lot to discover about the world of amateur radio".

Sarah obtained her Foundation licence with the Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society, in Danbury (http://www.g0mwt.org.uk/). As well as being the granddaughter of G4ZU, Sarah is also married to an amateur, Pete Sipple 2E0PSL.

As well as being active on-air in the Essex area, Sarah will be helping out with the EssexHam.co.uk website, which aims to encourage others to take part in the hobby.

More on the story, plus picture, at
http://www.essexham.co.uk/news/sarah-m6psk-carries-on-family-tradition.html

California ham killed in shooting spree

The ARRL report that David Caouette, N6DAC, was killed in a shooting incident in Seal Beach, California

The ARRL say:
A gunman, apparently enraged over a custody dispute with his ex-wife, walked into a hair salon in Seal Beach, California on October 12.

Scott Evans Dekraai allegedly opened fire in the salon, killing eight people, including his ex-wife. David Caouette, N6DAC -- who was waiting outside the salon in his car -- was killed in the rampage. He was 64.

Read the full ARRL story at
http://www.arrl.org/news/california-ham-killed-in-shooting-spree

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WEIRD AND WONDERFUL

Recently our weird and wonderful story of the radio prize in Somalia of Land Mines, grenades and AK47's as prizes drew some comment including news

of a weird n wonderful radio prize from Canada being offered by Ontario states Hot 89.9fm

WIN A BABY!

The station is offering $33,000 worth of fertility treatment to the most deserving listener struggling to conceive.

Their website shows a photo of the prize baby.. with the disclaimer, "Baby may not be exactly as shown".

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2011

Oct 22 WIA Jack Files Contest

Nov 26-27 WIA Spring VHF-UHF Field Day

2012

January VK Ross Hull Memorial VHF UHF Contest

March 17-18 VK JOHN MOYLE MEMORIAL FIELD DAY

June Long Weekend (vk4 time) VK Shires Contest.

July First full weekend NZART Memorial Contest

Hello Listeners I'm Peter Harding VK4OD the WIA RD Contest Manager with the final report for this year's RD Contest,

Well it is no surprise that VK6 took out the winning state,(yet again).

Statistics wise this I found a drop of 21% in the number of logs right across the country except for VK5 who increased by 5 logs over last year.

Points wise a total drop of 16% with VK6 actually increased by 21% over 2010 contest.

This year we received a log from P29 and 3 from ZL Land.

This week on the WIA Website I have placed a file in PDF format, showing the listings of all this year's RD Contest Logs.

The file shows all the available section that are available to enter, and who and what points were achieved in each area.

If you have any queries please Email me:- vk4od@wia.org.au and I will do my best to answer your question(s).

73 Peter

Antarctic Activity Week

The first teams and individuals are already lining up to be active in the 9th Antarctic Activity Week (AAW) which will take place February 20-26th.

This is an all bands, all modes, world-wide amateur radio event celebrating the international scientific work in Antarctica.

Certificates may be obtained from the WAP using the QSLs from the WAP Reference Numbered stations worked.

For more details, see:
http://www.waponline.it/Default.aspx?tabid=113

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

DXCC NEWS - 2011 yearly deadline rapidly approaching

Bill Moore, NC1L, Awards Branch Manager, reports:
"This is a reminder that the deadline for the DXCC Annual List (for the 2011 DXCC Yearbook) and the Honour Roll listing (scheduled to be published in August 2012 QST) is rapidly approaching.

"In order to appear in these listings, upon qualification, you must have your 2011 submission into DXCC by December 31, 2011. As always, all mail postmarked by December 31st will be OK for these listings."

To see the qualifications to appear in the listings, see details under (2011 Yearly Deadline Rapidly Approaching) on the ARRL's "Awards Blog" at:
http://www.arrl.org/awards-blog

Ann Renton Memorial Ladies Net this Tuesday

One of the friendliest radio nets in the north of VK4 land happens this Tuesday evening from 7-30pm on the Townsville UHF Repeater, the Ann Renton Memorial Ladies Net!

The net is open to young and old, YL or OM and is a golden opportunity for anyone who needs practice on-air to go onto the net as 2nd operator.

So join in to this Tuesday evenings net and let's see if the YLs can outnumber the OMs !

INTRUDER WATCH - ENFORCEMENT ZONE

28 MHz - a lost band?

The September edition of the International Amateur Radio Union Monitoring System (IARUMS) newsletter asks is 28 MHz a lost band ?

The newsletter says:

28 MHz - a lost band?

We found much CB-like traffic (AM, FM, SSB) between 28 and 29.7 MHz in September 2011. Origins: Europe, Brazil, Far East. Besides that we observed, that the band is still crowded of numerous CIS taxi-cabs in FM.

The conditions on the upper bands are raising, so we are able to recognize and realize the "apocalypse" on our exclusive band. Many authorities seem to be helpless or not interested in this disaster.

The International Amateur Radio Union Monitoring System (IARUMS) Region 1 September 2011 newsletter can be read at
http://www.iarums-r1.org/iarums/news2011/news1109.pdf

MEDIA WATCH
www.cq-amateur-radio.com/WorldRadio.html
VK Club Bulletins http://groups.yahoo.com/group/aarnie/

A look inside Amateur Radio magazine for This November.

A full run down of the IARU Region 3 ARDF Championships by Jack Bramham VK3WWW, who was the organiser with lots of competitors and helpers.

The amateur radio community has a golden opportunity available with the New South Wales Department of Planning looking to make radio mast laws more flexible.

In the column, VHF/UHF an expanding world, we are reminded of the spring field days on November the 26th and 27th, the first WIA DXCC on 2-metres digital and lots more.

Remembrance Day Contest Award winners are VK6 as Peter Harding VK4OD revealed the full results. The 31st ALARA Contest results are there too.

The VK3 Notes has a montage of things past as the Amateur Radio Victoria centenary rolls on.

We will have more next week. All part of a WIA membership service and Amateur Radio magazine is also at selected newsagents.

I'm Barry Robinson VK3PV and you're listening to VK1WIA.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

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CW SRM Nanosat decoding software

The CubeSat Project Team in the University of Khartoum have made available software to decode the telemetry beacon of the new Amateur Radio satellite built by the SRM University.

The Telemetry Decoding Software was developed by University students for studying the University of Khartoum Cube satellite (KN-SAT1) telemetry data. It has now been modified to handle SRMVU data

Download the software at
http://www.megaupload.com/?d=7PWS7GEA

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RADIO SCOUTING
http://www.scouts.com.au
http://www.scout.org/jota
http://www.international.scouts.com.au

JOTA - Melbourne Electronics & Radio Club

A video shows the VK3CRG 'Portable HF' setup used by the Melbourne Electronics & Radio Club for JOTA 2011.

The club used a Buddipole Deluxe and a Kenwood TS590 to show the JOTA participants what portable HF Amateur Radio is all about. A great day was had by all attendees who were also treated to Fox Hunting and Morse Code Battleships.

Watch JOTA 'Jamboree on the air' 2011 Melbourne Electronics & Radio Club

Melbourne Electronics & Radio Club
http://vk3fsk.org.au/

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RESCUE RADIO
IARU REGION 3
Emergency Centre of Activity (CoA) frequencies
3.600, 7.110, 14.300, 18.160 and 21.360 MHz

Latest from flood hit Thailand

The death toll from the most devastating flooding to hit Thailand in over 60 years following heavy rains since late July has now risen to almost 300.

Nearly three million people are said to have been affected by the floods and the disaster has caused serious damage to the country`s agriculture. Industries are in suspension such as motor vehicle firms Toyota, Sony and Honda along with Western Digital and many other factories to the north of Bangkok.
Damage so far has been assessed at more than 20 billion baht and 26 out of the country's 77 provinces are affected.
Bangkok is bracing for a large amount of run-off water that will coincide seasonal high tides making it harder for the flood waters to flow out to sea.

Amateur radio has been assisting with flood relief communications, helping victims in the affected areas.

In use by hams is the Radio Amateur Society of Thailand (RAST) club station callsign HS0AC and a special flood relief centre with the callsign HS0AB has been established at Bangkok's Don Mueang Airport.

Please be advised that Thai radio amateurs are standing by on 144.900 MHz, 145.000 MHz and 144.9375 MHz (VHF) as well as on frequencies of 7.063 and 7.060 MHz in the 40-metre HF band.

RAST is actively assisting in flood relief operations and the society is accepting donations by bank transfer to its Savings Account at the Krung Thai Bank (KTB), Pradipat Branch, Account Number 034-1-86101-4.

There is a video showing activities at the special flood relief amateur radio station at Don Mueang Airport (in Thai):
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1m84ZW1xH8s

RAST is also posting information about developments to its web site at www.qsl.net/rast

RAST would like to thank the IARU in advance for notifying member societies of this disaster and of the emergency frequencies being used to help flood victims in Thailand at this time.

Owing to the volume of water and continuing rainfall, this emergency is likely to continue for many more days and we will notify the IARU Region 3 once things return to normal.

Sincere 73,
Tony Waltham, HS0ZDX
The Radio Amateur Society of Thailand (RAST) under the Patronage of His Majesty the King.

(Jim Linton VK3PC, Chairman, IARU Region 3 Disaster Communications Committee, via Ken Yamamoto JA1CJP, Secretary, IARU Region 3.)

SOCIAL SCENE

2011

Oct 23 VK3 Hamvention Ballarat This Sunday.

Nov 20 VK5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society Hamfest
Goodwood Community Centre, Rosa St Goodwood at 0930.
Visit www.ahars.com.au for contact details

2012

15TH IARU REGION 3 CONFERENCE hosted by V.A.R.C. in Ho-Chi-Minh City, Vietnam.

JAN 23-FEB 17 YEAR 2012
World Radio Conference WRC-11 Geneva 23rd January TO 17th February 2012

FEB 12 VK3 CentreVictoria Hamfest, Kyneton Racecourse

FEB 26 VK2 CCARC WYONG FIELD DAY

MAY 3-18 VK5 YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

JULY 14 VK4 Wide Bay Hamfest. West Maryborough Scout Hall

Nov 12 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST (ROSEBUD BY THE BAY)

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995. ROMANTIC HOT PICS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-20 15:46:15 UTC
From: SAMARA <jaidatta9247@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <55369024-74ec-490e-b644-58b06d0f0b7c@h23g2000pra.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3986

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http://goodjobssites.blogspot.com/

7TH SENSE MOVIE STILLS
http://actressgallery-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/10/7th-sense-movie-stills.html
MOGUDU MOVIE STILLS
http://actressgallery-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/09/mogudu-movie-stills.html
HANSIKA MATOWNI LATEST HOT STILLS
http://actressgallery-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/09/hansika-motwani.html
KAJAL AGARWAL HOT PHOTOS
http://actressgallery-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/09/kajal-agarwal.html
TAMANNA SIRUTHAI HOT MOVIE STILLS
http://actressgallery-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/09/siruthai-movie-stills.html
SNEHA HOT GOA MOVIE STILLS
http://actressgallery-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/09/goa-movie-stills.html
HOT KATRINA KAIF PHOTOS
http://actressgallery-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/09/katrina-kaif.html
AISHWARYA RAI HOT HQ PHOTO STILLS
http://actressgallery-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/09/aishwarya-rai.html
ASIN HOT PHOTO GALLERY
http://actressgallery-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/09/asin.html

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PRIYAMANI HOT PHOTOS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/09/priyamani-hot.html
SAMANTHA LATEST HOT STILLS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/09/samantha-hot.html
ANJALI HOT PHOTOS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/10/anjali-hot.html
HANSIKA MOTWANI HOT PHOTOS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/10/hansika-motwani-hot.html
KAJAL AGARWAL LATEST HOT WITHOUT TOP
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/kajal-agarwal-hot-photos.html
TAMANNA HOT PHOTOS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/tamanna-hot.html
PRANITHA LATEST HOT PHOTOS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/09/pranitha-hot.html
HOT KATRINAKAIF WALLPAPERS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/katrina-kaif-hot.html
HOT MALLU ACTRESS BHAMA
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/09/bhama-hot.html
TOLLYWOOD HOT ACTRESSES
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/hot-actrsess.html
SONAKSHI SINHA HOT PHOTOS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/09/sonakshi-sinha-hot.html

PRIYANKA CHOPRA LATEST HOT PHOTOS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/priyanka-chopra-hot.html

LATEST AMISHA PATEL HOT PICS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/amisha-patel-hot.html
TAPSEE DIFFERENT STILLS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/tapsee-hot.html
PRIYAMANI HOT PHOTOS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/09/priyamani-hot.html

996. Iowa State ARRL Convention & Hamboree - This Saturday - Sergeant Bluff, Iowa

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-20 16:17:04 UTC
From: ARRL Members Only Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20111020144234.ABE252096A@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 3985
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Just a reminder that the Iowa State ARRL Convention and 34th Annual Hamboree is this Saturday, October 22, from 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM, in Sergeant Bluff, Iowa. The 3900 Club and the Siouxland Amateur Radio Association are sponsoring this event at the Sergeant Bluff Community Center, 903 Topaz Drive.

ARRL Chief Operating Officer, Harold Kramer, WJ1B will be the featured speaker. Midwest Division Director Cliff Ahrens K0CA, and Vice Director Rod Blocksome K0DAS will attend and give updates on the latest ARRL news. Interesting forums will include:

Joe Eisenberg K0NEB - "The Dayton Experience"
Darrel Swenson K0AWB - “QRP”
ARRL Chief Operating Officer Harold Kramer WJ1B - “Inside ARRL HQ”
Midwest Division Director Cliff Ahrens K0CA and Vice Director Rod Blocksome K0DAS - “ARRL Updates - Digital QST, Spectrum Defense, and Q&A” (Door Prizes!)
Rod Blocksome - "A Suitcase DX-pedition to Christmas Island"

There will be a large flea market arena, with commercial and individual vendors, VE testing, quality forums, DXCC card checking, door prizes, and the Siouxland area’s Starcomm Mobile emergency communications bus. Details at: http://3900club.com/mycustompage0034.htm.

Hope to see you in Sergeant Bluff this Saturday!

73, Cliff K0CA

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Director: Cliff Ahrens, K0CA
k0ca@arrl.org
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997. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #1032.2

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-20 18:58:52 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <576489.99170.qm@smtp103.sbc.mail.ne1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 3987
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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October 20, 2011
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX
Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet
Clusters Network and EA5RM for the following DX information.

ST0R QSL AND LOTW STATUS. Antonio, EA5RM, informs OPDX: "As you may know,
the distribution of ST0R QSL cards has begun. The Republic of South Sudan
was recently added to the DXCC entities list, so each QSO confirmed by
our manager will be the confirmation of a new one.
Because of this, the DXCC Desk has expressed the concern that they may
be overwhelmed by thousands of applications to credit the new entity.
Consequently, we have decided to make an exception, and upload to the
LOTW all the individual donor QSOs and OQRS ones, by 1st November.

ST0R TEAM"

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new
FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the
following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send
mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE
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Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=unsubscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
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ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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Information can now be faxed to the following "NEW" phone line at:
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998. [DXNL] DXNL 1750 (Oct 19, 2011)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-20 20:18:30 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <172534836774.20111020220612@dxhf.darc.de>
Source record: 3988
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DXNL 1750 - Oct 19, 2011
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3D2, FIJI
Bill,VK4FW, and Eddie,VK4AN, will show up as 3D2A bzw. 3D2T from Oct 26
until Nov 9. QSLs via homecalls.

3DA, SWAZILAND
Gert,ZS6AYU, and Hannes,ZS6BZP, applied for the calls 3DA0GF and 3DA0HC
and want to become active in SSB on 40m-10m from Oct 21-24.
QSLs via homecalls.

3X, GUINEA
DK7LX, DL4WK, DL7DF, DL7UFR, SP3CYY and SP3DOI are working in all modes
on all bands signing 3XY1D from Oct 18 until Nov 1. QSL via DL7DF.
You can find more information at: http://www.dl7df.com

6W, SENEGAL
F8IJV plans to be QRV as 6V7Q mainly in SSB and in the CQWW SSB Contest
from Oct 22 until Nov 11. QSL via homecall, LoTW.

A5, BHUTAN
Andy,UA3AB (A52AB), Ralph,K0IR (A52IR), Paul,W8AEF (A52PP),
Pat,W0BM (A52PC) and Glenn,W0GJ (A51B), and their wives are going to
visit Bhutan from Oct 25 until Nov 1. They will work on different bands
in the CQWW SSB Contest: A52IR on 80m, A52PC on 40m, A52PP on 20m,
A52AB on 15m and A51B on 10m. Before and after the contest they work
also in other modes and on other bands. QSLs via homecalls.

A7, QATAR
Some members of the Lufthansa Amateur Radio Clubs (LARC) will conduct
a DXpedition in cooperation with the Qatar Amateur Radio Society (QARS,
A71A) signing A71DLH in CW, SSB and digital modes on all bands from
Oct 22-29. The OPs are Mustapha,DL1BDF, Bernd,DL2NTC, Wolfgang,DK2DO,
Michael,DB4XN, Michael,DF4HR, and Sven,DG3HT. QSL via DL0LH.
An online log can be found at:

http://www.dl0lh.de/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id
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A few members of the "Qatar Amateur Radio Society" are joining the
upcoming WWDX SSB Contest in the M/M category from the beach. The team
of A73A includes OMs from all countries of the Gulf Cooperation Council
(GCC): Ali,A71BX, Rashid,A71AD, Abdulla,A71CV, Saif,A71AM, Suli,7Z1SJ,
Khalid,A71CO, Mohammad,A71EL, Faisal,9K2RR, Hamad,9K2HN, Ibrahim,A61ZX,
Farid,A41MX, Don,N1DG, Dave,K5GN, and Tobias,DH1TW.
Their camp in fieldday style will start one week before the contest.
No operation will take place on 30m, 17m and 12m. QSL via EA7FTR.

BA, CHINA, AS-139
David,BA4DW, is activating Chinese IOTA islands for 13 years now.
He will be QRV as BA4DW/7 from his 16th IOTA group: Weizhou Island
in the Guangxi Autonomous Region group (IOTA AS-139) from Oct 21-24.
David is working with a TS-50 and dipoles. QSL via homecall.

C2, NAURU, OC-031
Joe,LA5UF, has been spotted as C21UF and is working from Nauru (OC-031)
mainly in CW and PSK31 from Oct 17-24. QSL via homecall.

C5, GAMBIA
A few members of the OM0C Contest Team are planning two DXpeditions to
Gambia using callsigns from former DXpeditions (C50C and C5A) from
Oct 21 till Nov 1 and from Nov 20-29. C5A will join both CQWW contests.
OPs: Rich,OK8WW/OM2TW, Jiri,OK1RI, Joe,OM5AW, Dan,OK1DIG, Vlada,OK1NY,
Norbert,OM6NM, Petr,OK1FFU, Jiri,OK1DO, Jan,OM2IB, and others.
QSLs via OM2FY. See also: http://www.om0c.com

D2, ANGOLA
Valery,UA0QV, has renewed his D2QV license and is working in CW, SSB
and RTTY on 40m/20m/17m/15m/12m/10m from Vila Catoca until Jul 8, 2012.
His equipment includes an ICOM 756 PRO 2, 40m dipole and a 2 ele Quad
for the other bands. If possible he wants to put up an antenna for 80m
as well. QSL via UT0EA, LoTW.

F, FRANCE
The Radio Club Havrais (F8KHN) will activate the special call TM2TJV
during the "Transat Jacques Vabre", a yacht race that follows the
historic coffee trading route between Le Havre (France) and
Puerto Limon (Costa Rica) from Oct 24-30.

F5IL, F5IRC, F5THW, F5UBH and F5UPO will use the special callsign
TM5HT in CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31 on 80m-10m from Houat Island (EU-048)
from Oct 28-30. QSL via F5THW.

FP, ST PIERRE ET MIQUELON, NA-032
Eric,FP/KV1J, and Jack,FP/KV1E, will show up from Miquelon Island
(NA-032, DIFO FP-002, WLOTA 1417) between Oct 25 and Nov 1. They will
work mainly in SSB and RTTY and less in CW and PSK31 on 160-10m plus 6m
if the band opens. FP/KV1J will join the WWDX SSB Contest as SOAB HP.

QSLs via homecall, LoTW. More information can be found online at:
http://www.kv1j.com/fp/october11.html

HB0, LIECHTENSTEIN
Mek,HB0/SP7VC, will be QRV from Liechtenstein in SSB on 160m-10m incl.
WARC bands and maybe also on 6m from Oct 25-31. He is using an IC-746,
HEX beam, R7 vertical, Inverted-L for 160m and 80m, 3 ele yagi for 6m,
Alpha 76A and an amplifier for 6m. He plans to join the WWDX SSB.
QSL via homecall, LoTW.

HR, HONDURAS
Rick,HR9/AI5P, wants to work holiday style from Roatan Island (NA-057)
between Oct 22 and Nov 5. QSL via homecall, also via bureau.

KH2, GUAM, OC-027
Masanori,JA1OZK, will sign KH2KY von Guam (OC-027) on all HF bands
from Oct 22-29. QSL via homecall.

LU, ARGENTINA
The special event station L90AA is celebrating the 90th anniversary of
the Radio Club Argentino (RCA) from Oct 21-31. The RCA is one of the
oldest amateur radio clubs in the world and was a founding member of
the IARU in 1925. Congratulations! QSL via LU4AA.

PJ4, BONAIRE, SA-006
Members of the South East Europe Contest Club (SEECC) are going to
visit Bonaire (SA-006, WLOTA L 1279) for the WWDX SSB Contest from
Oct 25 until Nov 1. The OPs Romeo,S52RU, Dale,N3BNA, Maurizio,IV3ZXQ,
Marko,YT2T, Zvonko,Z35W, Fabrizio,IW3SQY, Acim,YU1YV, and Noah,K2NG,
are working in CW, SSB and RTTY on 160m/80m/40m/20m/15m/10m/6m.
Their QSL manager is YU1YV. More details and updates can be found at:
http://www.seecc.org/PJ4_EXPEDITION/index.html

PJ5, SINT EUSTATIUS, NA-145
Wlodek,PJ5/SP6EQZ, and Janusz,PJ5/SP6IXF, plan to become active from
St Eustatius (NA-145) in CW/SSB/RTTY on 60m-10m from Oct 19 till Nov 4.
They will have also two amp's with verticals, wires and a Spiderbeam.
QSLs via homecalls. See also: http://www.clublog.org

PJ7, SINT MAARTEN, NA-105
Jan,DJ8NK, Paul,F6EXV, Kan,JA1BK, and Rich,K2WR, will show up with two
stations (in peak hours even 3) in CW, SSB and RTTY on 80m-10m from
Sint Maarten (NA-105) between Oct 26 and Nov 9. Their main callsign
will be PJ7X (QSL via F6EXV). Other calls are PJ7J (80m, QSL via JA1BK)
and PJ7NK (digital modes, QSL via DJ8NK). They plan to take part in the
WWDX SSB Contest as well and their logs will be uploaded to the LoTW.
See also: http://www.pj7-2011.org

VK9/C, COCOS KEELING ISLANDS, OC-003
DJ7ZG and DL7AFS will be QRV as VK9CX (WFF: VKFF-577) from Oct 19 until
Nov 9. QSL via DL7AFS.

ZA, ALBANIA
Steve,HA0DU, Joe,HA0LC, Imi,HA0MK, Laci,HA0NAR, and Fatos,ZA1G, will
activate the special callsign ZA20QA in CW, SSB and RTTY on 160m-2m
from Vlore from Oct 25 until Nov 1, including the CQ WWDX SSB Contest.
Their callsign remembers the leaders of the ZA1QA teams of 1991: HA0NNN
and HA0MM. QSL via HA0NAR.

ZF, CAYMAN ISLANDS, NA-016
OE2SNL, OE2WNL and OE2ATN will show up as ZF2OE from Oct 21 till Nov 2.
QSL via OE2WNL, bureau ok!

WFF INFO
5BFF-002: Members of the Pafos Radio Clubs plan to become active as
5B4PRC/p from Lara Bay on the Akamas peninsula (Loc: KM64dw) on Oct 20
from 0500-1400 UTC. QSL via 5B4AHO (bureau/direct).

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Oct 22/23: Scandinavian YL Contest
Oct 29/30: CQ WWDX Contest, SSB
Nov 26/27: CQ WWDX Contest, CW

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AF-004, EA8, Canary Islands: Members of the Teide DX Group will be QRV from
the lighthouse Faro de Buenavista del Norte (ARLHS CAI-004, WLOTA 1276,
FEA D-2833) in SSB, CW and digitl modes on all HF/VHF/UHF bands on
Oct 22/23. QSL's are not necessary since each QSO will be confirmed
via bureau automatically. If you need a direct QSL send it via EA8NQ.
More information is available at: http://www.qrz.com/db/eg8fbn

AF-014, CT3, Madeira archipelago: Carsten,CT9/DL5OCR, Bertrand,CT9/DF3FS,
Uwe,CT9/DL8OBF, Tom,CT9/DL1QW, Norbert,CT9/DJ7JC, Harald,CT9/DL2SAX,
Helmut,CT9/DF7ZS, and Modesto,CT9/EC8AFM, will be QRV from the island
of Madeira (WLOTA 0053) from Oct 25-30. They will use the callsign CR3L
during the upcoming CQWW SSB Contest. QSL via DJ6QT (bureau/direct).

AS-100, 4X, Israel group: Members of the Holyland DX Group are planning to
activate Akhziv Island (WFF 4XFF-001) as 4X5A on Oct 21/22, 1200 UTC.
They want to work with two stations and verticals in SSB/CW on 40m-10m.
QSL via 4Z5LA (bureau/direct).

EU-001, SV5, Dodecanese: Martin,ON4PO, will be QRV as J45PO in SSB and some
PSK31 on the HF bands from Oct 23 until Nov 3. Nick,J45MD, will focus
on the digital modes. Together they will sign SX5P in the upcoming
CQ WWDX SSB Contest (M/M HP). QSL via ON4PO.

EU-004, EA6, Balearic Islands: Adrian,EA6/AA5UK, is spending his holidays on Ibiza (WLOTA 0958, DIE E-023, MIA MB-003) from Oct 20 until Nov 3. He wants to work "holiday style" in SSB and digital modes on 80m–10m including the WWDX SSB Contest (SOAB/LP). Adrian works with 100 watts und wire antennas. QSL via AA5UK (bureau/direct/L).

EU-114, GU/MU, Guernsey group: The team of PA6Z will be active in SSB and CW on all HF bands signing MU/PA9M (WLOTA: 0013) from Oct 23-30. Depending on the propagation they plan to work with up to seven station 24 hours a day. QSL via PA9M (bureau/direct).
Check also their website: http://www.pa6z.nl/guernsey_2011

EU-120, G/M, English Coastal Islands: Kev,M0TNX, and Martin,M3POG, are planning another DXpedition to the Hilbre Islands. They plan to show up as GB2HI on 160m-10m (SSB/CW/RTTY) from Oct 21-23 (depending on the weather and the propagation). QSL via M0OXO (bureau/direct/L).

EU-189, GM/MM, Isle of Rockall: The team of MS0INT announced that they have postponed their DXpedition to Rockall (EU-189) to 2012. The documentation archive FUNK has compiled a comprehensive documentation about Rockall - from the first plans in 1965 (with new documents not published yet) to MM0RAI/p, including an interview with Patrick,ON4HIL:
http://www.dokufunk.org/rockall

IOTA-Marathon - Funding for operations from rare IOTA groups: Calling on everybody by the IOTA manager G3KMA: "With the 50th anniversary IOTA Marathon starting in January it would be great if we could get together a list of organisations who would be prepared in principle to help fund operations from the rarer IOTA groups during this two year period. Without lots of operations from this tier of IOTA groups the marathon will not achieve the success it deserves. For this purpose we have decided that "rarer IOTA groups" means groups worked by less than 33% of record-holders at the start of day 1 of the operation. Would DX funding bodies and individuals who are prepared to contribute to this two year IOTA initiative please let me know on g3kma@dsl.pipex.com The intention is that grants would be made directly by contributors to the operation involved as is current usual practice, not through the IOTA Committee. However if we get a good response, we will consider providing some additional funding from a source of funds available to the IOTA Committee."

Bandspots of the last 7 days

160m
FR/DJ7RJ 1.826 2039Z via DJ7RJ (B)
JA4DND 1.816 2016Z
JW8BCA 1.832 2318Z via LA8BCA (B)
YC0LOW/1 1.818 2231Z (B)

80m
T32C 3.515 0455Z via G3NUG (B), (L), OQRS http://www.t32c.com
YC0LOW/1 3.505 2245Z (B)

30m
T32C 10.104 0757Z via G3NUG (B), (L) OQRS http://www.t32c.com

20m
CF2OTA 14.061 1546Z via VE2JCW, SOTA VE2/LR-002
HC5AI 14.035 0445Z son of HC5AI (sk)
JW/LB9UE 14.208 0947Z via LB9UE
N4EX/p 14.059 1650Z SOTA CM-011
NE1SJ 14.062 1630Z SOTA W1/WE-003
RD0WA 14.018 0520Z (B)
T32C 14.010 1910Z via G3NUG (B), (L) OQRS http://www.t32c.com
VE2UFT/p 14.064 1553Z (L), SOTA LR-006
WA2USA 14.059 1650Z (B), SOTA CM-011
YJ0VK 14.195 1034Z via VK2CA (B), (L)
9H3KX 14.005 1607Z via DL8KX (B)

17m
YJ0VK 18.089 1334Z via VK2CA (B), (L)

15m
SG3U 21.039 1459Z (B)
T32C 21.290 1905Z via G3NUG (B), (L) OQRS http://www.t32c.com
5Z4FM 21.023 1514Z (L), (d), eQSL
7X2ARA 21.020 1550Z (B)

12m
K8CW 24.898 1331Z
LX/DF1LON 24.893 2003Z via DF1LON (B)
YJ0ANR 24.904 0918Z via NQ7R (B), (L)

10m
BA1AI 28.002 0944Z (B), (L)
BA5AN 28.003 0953Z
BA8AG 28.027 0929Z
CX7CO 28.009 1730Z via WB3CDX (B)
EA8/DL3FCG 28.468 1253Z via DL3FCG (B)
HP1/DJ2ST 28.438 1824Z NA-072, via DJ2ST (d)
J3/PE1IGM 28.477 1917Z via PA3C (B)
JY4NE 28.043 0849Z via K3IRV (B)
K3S 28.490 1306Z
KD4FNI 28.600 1640Z
PJ4LS 28.025 1350Z (d)
TF8GX 28.031 1525Z via KT6YL (B), (L)
UN7AB 28.039 0853Z via DL8KAC (d)
UN7AM 28.020 1530Z (B)
WA1HFF 28.585 1744Z
5N7M 28.039 1111Z via OM3CGN (B)
9M2IDJ 28.460 0947Z via JA6IDJ

(d) Only direct
(B) Bureau ok
(L) NoTW
(r) Bureau QSL via e-mail request

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

26Oct-09Nov 3D2A.. 1750 *
21Oct-24Oct 3DA0GF.. 1750 *
18Oct-01Nov 3XY1D 1750 *
-Dec 3Y8XSA 1700/1717
Sep 3Z25ZJP 1745
21Oct/22Oct 4X5A 1750 *
20Oct 5B4PRC/p 1750 *
-25Oct 5B50J 1700
01Oct-31Oct 5N51.. 1748
-Apr/12 5Z4RH ? 1674
22Oct-11Nov 6V7Q 1750 *
-23Nov 7Q7HB 1717/1743
-30Nov 8J1MORSE.. 1731
-31Oct 8J2SUN 1748
-31Dec 9A11P 1723
-21Nov 9A20V 1743
14Oct-22Oct 9H3OB 1749
-2012 9J2RI 1739/1742
NOW 9M2/KM9D 1731
LONGTERM 9N1FE 1740
SOON 9Q1EK 1669
-Nov 9Q6CC 1699

-? A35CT 1741
25Oct-01Nov A51B.. 1750 *
22Oct-29Oct A71DLH 1750 *
22Oct-30Oct A73A 1750 *
21Oct-24Oct BA4DW/7 1750 *
-31Dec BP100 1684
-31Dec BV100 1684
17Oct-24Oct C21UF 1750 *
21Oct-01Nov C50C.. 1750 *
16Sep-19Oct CE2/CX1EK 1746
01Oct-31Oct CJ3A 1747
25Oct-30Oct CT9/DL5OCR.. 1750 *
-31Dec CW5RV 1711
05Oct-31Dec CY0/VE1AWW 1748
-Jul/12 D2QV 1750 *
-Apr/12 D2SG 1748
10Oct-30Oct D4C 1749
17Oct-07Nov E51NOU 1749
20Oct-03Nov EA6/AA5UK 1750 *
19Oct-24Oct EA6/DL4ABO 1749
22Oct/23Oct EG8FBN 1750 *
12Oct-19Oct EM15UCRF.. 1749

-Mar/13 FH8NX 1747
25Oct-01Nov FP/KV1E.. 1750 *

04Oct-26Oct FR/DJ7RJ 1747
-Jul/12 FR8NE 1710
21Oct-23Oct GB2HI 1750 *
-31Dec GB40HMSB 1748
-28Oct GB650JP 1748
08Oct-21Oct H40KJ 1748
25Oct-31Oct HB0/SP7VC 1750 *
-31Dec HB60LU 1711
-06Nov HF36POL 1746
-31Dec HG15IPA 1724
01Jan-31Dec HG200LST 1708
Sep -2013 HI3/KL7JR 1745
-16Nov HK3JCL 1743
NOW HL2/KC6STQ 1746
22Oct-05Nov HR9/AI5P 1750 *

01Jan-31Dec IA7MM 1708
01Jan-31Dec II1ITA.. 1708
-31Dec II4LXV 1742
-2012 J28FJ 1739
-2011/12 J28JV 1680
-Jul/12 J28RO 1683
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
23Oct-03Nov J45PO.. 1750 *
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
22Oct-29Oct KH2KY 1750 *
-May/12 KH4/W5FJG 1728
POSTPONED KH5 1674/1705/1741
21Oct-30Oct L90AA 1750 *
-31Dec LA200D 1713
-31Dec LM9L40Y 1748
-31Dec LZ85R 1721
23Oct-30Oct MU/PA9M 1750 *
-31Oct OA4/DJ2VO 1749
-Mar/12 OA/OE3NHW 1749

-Mar/12 P29FR 1742
01Jan-31Dec PA30.. 1708
07Oct-03Nov PG540BUFFALO.. 1748
19Oct-04Nov PJ5/SP6EQZ.. 1750 *
26Oct-09Nov PJ7X.. 1750 *
-30Nov R300ML 1743
-Dec R1ANC 1708
SOON RI1F/UA1PBA 1740
-Sep/12 RI1FJA 1741
-Sep/12 RI1FJM 1741
-30Nov S550ACP 1745
NOW ST2AR 1745
-30Nov SU/HA3JB 1743
-26Oct T32C 1740
-Nov T5/TA1AMC 1745

-Apr/12 T6BP 1746
-Nov T6FR 1742
Oct T6LB 1747
-Jun/12 T6MO 1733
-Nov T6SH 1734
24Oct-30Oct TM2TJV 1750 *
28Oct-30Oct TM5HT 1750 *
16Oct-01Nov TX3T.. 1749

10Oct-05Nov V47JA.. 1748
-Dec/11 VK0BFG 1741
-Mar/12 VK0KEV (Macq) 1700/1701
NOW VK0TH (Macq) 1748
28Oct-31Dec VP9/N1SV 1747
29Oct/30Oct VP9I 1747
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
-14Nov XF1/K5ENS 1739
NOW XT2RJA 1712
-31Oct VC3ARCI 1748
19Oct-09Nov VK9CX 1750 *
25Oct-01Nov ZA20QA 1750 *
21Oct-02Nov ZF2OE 1750 *
15Oct-29Dec ZK2V.. 1749
19Aug-31Oct ZL4RUGBY 1741
-31Dec ZL50GH 1711
-Oct ZL6RWC 1744
-2012 ZS7KX 1740/1749

* new or updated
.. and other calls

QSL information

A51B via W0GJ (B)
A52AB via UA3AB (B)
A52IR via K0IR
A52PC via W0BM
A52PP via W8AEF (B)
A61Q via EA7FTR
A71DLH via DL0LH (B)
C50C via OM2FY (B)
C5A via OM2FY (B)
CR5FMG via CT2CGY (B)
CR5LUZ via CT2GPD
CU7MD via CT3MD (B)
CX7CO via WB3CDX (B)
DA7C via DO4HAM (B), eQSL
EA6/AA5UK via AA5UK (B), (L)
EA8/DL3FCG via DL3FCG (B)
EE5BX via EA5BX
EK3GM via IK2QPR (B)

EM15L via UR5LO
EM15M via UR3MP
EM15UCRF via UT3UZ (B)
EM800BZB via UY5BC (B)
EN15J via UU5JW
FK8HW via VK4FW (B)
FP/KV1E via KV1E (B), (L)
FP/KV1J via KV1J (B), (L)
H40KJ via SP7DQR (B)
HB0/SP7VC via SP7VC (B), (L)
HF225DT via SP9PTA
HK0/DL5YWM via DL5YWM
HL4/F5IDM via KH6 bureau
HP1/DJ2ST via DJ2ST (d)
HZ1PS via IZ8CLM (B)
J3/PE1IGM via PA3C (B), (L), eQSL
J45PO via ON4PO (B), (L)
JT1RF via VE7YBH
JW/LB9UE via LB9UE
JW3TR via LA3TR (B)
JW8BCA via LA8BCA (B)
LZ11PPE via LZ1KZA (B)
MU/PA9M via PA9M (B)
P29FR via I2RFJ (B)
PG540BUFFALO via PA2REH (B), (L), eQSL
PJ5/SP6EQZ via SP6EQZ (B), (L)
PJ5/SP6IXF via SP6IXF
PJ7J via JA1BK
PJ7NK via DJ8NK (B)
PJ7X via F6EXV (B)
RI1ANC via RN1ON (B)
RK9UN via W3HNK (d)
SC3N via EA8CN (L), (d)
SF3A via SM3CER (B)
SM/DL1DN/p via DL1DN (B)
SN225LDT via SP9PNS
SN0ZH via SP3PJW
SP0DXC via SP7DQR (B, also e-mail request)
SU1SK via SM5AQD (d)
SU8JOTA via SM5AQD (d)
SV5/DF7XE/p via DF7XE (B)
SZ3I via SV3BEF (d)
T32C via G3NUG (B), (L) OQRS
T32CI via SM6CAS (d)
T6BP via 9A6AA (B)
T6JC via S57J (B)
TA2/DL2JRM via DL2JRM (B)
TC2X via TA1HZ (SAC Oct 8/9, B)
TF3W via TF3IRA (B)
TJ3AY via F5LGE (B)

TK/HB9DPO via HB9DPO (B)
TU5JD via IK2IQD (d)
TX3T via RZ3EC (B - OQRS), (L)
TX5A via RZ3EC (B - OQRS), (L)
TX7M via RZ3EC (B - OQRS), (L)
UF6V/UA8WAA via UA8WAA
UK/UA1ZEY via RW6HS (d)
V47HAM via W5JON
V47JA via W5JON, (L)
V63DX via JA7HMZ (B)
VC3ARCI via VA3JFF
VK4NM via M0OXO (B)
VK9CX via DL7AFS (B)
VP9/WW3S via WW3S (L), (d)
W1S via K1NIU (d)
XE1RK via EA5ZD
XE2B via EA5OL (B)
XQ7HL via CE3AA (B)
YB8EL via EA7FTR
YE4W via YF4IJ
YV7BMZ via EA7FTR
YW1Y via YV5AJ (B)
ZD8F via W6HGF (L)
ZD8ZZ via K7ZZ (d), (L)
ZF2OE via OE2WNL (B)
3D2A via VK4AN (B)
3D2T via VK4FW (B)
3DA0GF via ZS6AYU (B)
3DA0HC via ZS6BZP
3XY1D via DL7DF (B)
4L1MA via ON4RU
4X5A via 4Z5LA
6V7Q via F8IJV (B), (L)
9A/IW3ILP via IW3ILP (B)

(d) Only direct
(B) Bureau ok
(*) New QSL manager
(L) Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) E-mail request

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Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our lastet NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2011-10-21
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter, once a week (thursday)
from now on - if any special activities will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further detail please be so kind and watch our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you vy welcome for any
input and we do hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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** MMMonVHF VHF-DATABASE Issue 4.00 **

Dear VHF-DATABASE-friends,

a year is over again and we will be able to spread around a new
issue of the VHF-DATABASE. From now on we decide to spread it to
every User of MMMonVHF in the download area, free of any fee!
(of course if you wants to support MMMonVHF you are welcome - in
this case please do contact Guido, DL8EBW... thank you in advance)

All necessary details you be able to find at our MMMonVHF FORUM at:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/minibb/index.php?action=vtopic&forum=3

So you are welcome to implement the Base into standard spreadsheet
programs as well as into the VQLog (EA6VQ Logbook program), UCX-Log
(written by DL7UCX) and the contest programs OHTest (written by
OH6HFX) and TUCNAK (written by OK1ZIA).

Please login at your account at MMMonVHF and goto "Downloads" :
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/download.php If you are log in, here you be
able to find all "free of charge" downloads and from today on, as
well the "big MMMonVHF VHF-DATABASE" - enjoy it
The VHF-DATABASE of MMMonVHF and as well all the three different
MS-DATABASES are DAILY(!) available and refreshed from now on!

We stop distributing the DATABASE for the DXClusterï¿½s because
we have had only low requests in the past years! Sorry for that!

SOURCE: Guido, DL8EBW, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

** AVHFC (Araucaria VHF Contest) in 50 MHz and 144 MHz **

On the next October 22 - 23 we will have the AVHFC (Araucaria VHF Contest) in 50 MHz and 144 MHz. We hoping enjoy the same opportunities of F2 openings on 6 meters and very strong TEP on 2 meters as observed on the latest days. NP2X recently made QSOs with PY3 - PP5 - PY5 with single Yagi horizontal polarization and 100 Watts at 144 MHz. Similar for YV, FM and WP4 stations working LUs and CXs. For more informations about AVHC, check http://www.avhfc.com For South American VHF activity, visit http://www.vhfdx.org SOURCE: Flavio, PY2ZX direct to Sixitalia

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** 7P8 QSL activities... **

Good afternoon gentlemen, I am very sorry to announce the following: We are experiencing theft of money ie $,EU & IRC' s included with the QSL cards sent for the 7P8EME expedition - I suspect that we do not get envelopes with QSL cards in when the postal people suspect that there are any money or IRC' s inside. Please seriously consider to rather sent your postage in $,or EU via Paypal to: pienaarja"at"gmail.com or send IRC's in separate mail - however it will be more cost effective to rather send via Paypal with your call sign as identification rather than paying postage for two letters.
1.Please also send me an e mail when you have sent me a QSL card for 7P8EME with the mailing date as a check log for me.
2. Please do not send any money via the postal service and please use envelopes that glue together properly and cannot be opened without destroying the seal.
3. Please do not write any call signs on the envelope.
4. Use envelopes that does not show the content when held up against a light
5. DO NOT SEND ANY DONATION MONEY IN THE POSTAL SERVICES
SOURCE: tnx to Pine, ZS6OB direct to MMMonVHF

** MMMonVHF NEWSLETTER and REPLIES **

Please remember, NOT to reply to our newsletter email address. This email address is not used for normal receiptions and postings will be handled as bounced emails and automatically be deleted. For any replies please do use our contact form...
SOURCE: Ansgar, DG2KBC, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: EA8 ; Square: IL38 ; Start: 2011-10-19 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=4033

Dave will be back as EA8/G4RGK from IL38BQ - I am heading down to EA8 from 19th - 26 Oct, I will be qrv on 432 EME and possibly 2m from IL38bq - SOURCE: tnx to Dave, G4RGK, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: W ; Square: EM40 ; Start: 2011-10-21 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=4030

Joe, K9MRI back on trip - these time EM40 - LATEST NEWS by Joe, K9MRI, dated 2011-10-18: Moonbeamers, I will be active this coming weekend from the state of Iowa, EM40. Freq = 144.149 +/- birdies Ant= 2x 5wl M2 antennas / Power= 400 Watts / Mode = JT65B / Call= K9MRI/P EM40 Activity Period= UTC Oct 21 during EU window, MR-MS Oct 22, Oct 23 with weather permitting Look forward to working several stations that need Iowa for contest or WAS. I may have internet capability but wont know for sure until I setup. Hope conditions are good...
SOURCE: tnx to Joe, K9MRI, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: W ; Square: CN83 ; Start: 2011-10-22 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=4038

W7EME from portable Location in CN83 - Aloha to all: I will be qrv contest after 0930z Saturday 144MHz on moon rise. I will portable from a new property in CN83. Please look for my qrp portable near 144.144 on JT and 144.070 CW. I will be calling CQ. Single 13.5 m. long Yagi, 1kW SSPA. SOURCE: Jeremy w7eme via MoonNet

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** DXCC: IS ; Square: JN40 ; Start: 2011-10-22 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3989

EME DX pedition to OLBIA (IS0) north Sardinia Gulf of Marinella (JN40). LATEST NEWS from the OK5EME Team, dated 2011-10-13:
Hi EME gang, I am happy to anounce that all necessary works are moving to finall test of 144 MHz during weekend. Also progress with new feeds and other mechanical stuff are close to end now. If interesting you can see more here
http://www.ok1dfc.com/Peditions/IS0/is0.htm
If all o.k. we will be on N0UK and HB9Q chat GL - Operation QRGs:
144 MHz: 144,144 MHz JT65B always first period 144,010 MHz CW
432 MHz: 432,065 MHz JT65B always first period 432,035 MHz CW
1296 MHz: 1296,065 MHz JT65C always first period 1296,035 MHz CW
2320 MHz: 2303,95 - 2304,100 - 2320,100 - 2424,100 CW and JT65C
SOURCE: Zdenek, OK1DFC, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: SV ; Square: KM27 ; Start: 2011-10-22 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=4037

J48AOO QRV during ARRL EME-contest - Unless Murphy or the high winds
or the recent strikes stop us, J48OAA will be QRV during ARRL EME
Conest this coming weekend. Our entry will be as follows:
Multi-operator CW only, 2m band. Operators : Mike SV8GKE & Costas
SV1OAA - QTH info : KM27dp, on the Island of Kea
Cycladic islands -EU-067 - Aegean Sea, SV8-land.
Setup : 4 x 4.47 wl cross pol. (H/V) and QRO.
Please look for our CQ. GL to all and have a nice time.
SOURCE: Mike - SV8GKE & Costas - SV1OAA to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
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and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** 3D2, FIJI (Possibly Rotuma [3D2/R]) NOT qrv **

LATEST NEWS by Seb, F8IJV, dated 2011-10-15: Sorry this activity
has been postponed, and replaced by a second activity from Senegal
as 6V7Q for 3 weeks, from october 22 to November 11. 73 Seb
Seb F8IJV/3D2JV/6V7Q direct to MMMonVHF

** ZA20, ALBANIA Activity on HF & VHF **

Operators Steve/HA0DU, Joe/HA0LC, Imi/HA0MK, Laci/HA0NAR and
Fatos/ZA1G will active using the special callsign ZA20QA from
Vlore between October 25th and November 1st. Activity is to
celebrate the 20th anniversary of the 1991 ZA1QA DXpedition
by Jani/HA0NNN and Gyozi/HA0MM. Operations will be on 160-2 meters
using CW, SSB and RTTY. They will also participate in CQWW DX
SSB Contest (October 29-30th). QSL via HA0NAR.
Source: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1032

** DX Operation: Ascension Island **

ZD8, ASCENSION ISLAND (Update). Operators Al/W6HGF/ZD8F and
Tom/K7ZZ/ZD8ZZ will be active from Garden Cottage on top of Green
Mountain on Ascension Island (AF-003) between November 8-22nd. Look
for Al to focus on RTTY, while Tom will provide the CW operations.
Both operators will operate SSB at times, and there may be some 6 m
opening opportunities. QSL via their home callsigns direct only or
LoTW. It appears that there is no internet available for them on
the mountain. SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1032

** S9, SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE (Update/Delayed) **

Operators Matt/K0KKO and Ed/K0GUV will be active from Ilheu das
Rolas (AF-023), Sao Tome, using the callsigns of S92DX, S9CW and

S9SX, between March 16-23rd (not October 21-27th, as first announced). Activity will be on the HF bands and 6 meters. They plan to have two 6 meter stations on the air (50.105/SSB and 50.105.7/CW). They also plan to use EME. No other details were provided. For updates, watch:
http://www.k0kko.net/pb/wp_5bd6e10c/wp_5bd6e10c.html
SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1032

** 4C, MEXICO (Special Event) **

Members of the Club de Radio Experimentadores de Occidente (XE1TD) and in conjunction with the Federaciï¿½n Mexicana de Radio Experimentadores (FMRE) will activate special event station 4C1JPG between now and October 30th. Activity is to celebrate the 2011 and XVI Pan American Games in Guadalajara. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK and the Satellites. QSL via LoTW, by the Bureau or direct to XE1GZU: Luis Zepeda Hernandez, P.O. Box 5-273, Guadalajara, Jalisco 45042, Mexico.
SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1032

** THE K5N GRID ACTIVATION GROUP PLANS FOR 2012 **

Hello to everyone interested in Grids and grid chasing on 6M. Below is our group's plans for the coming year. We wanted to make this announcement now in order to allow everyone to be ready for us in June. We emphasize again that things might change, but we hope that will not happen. I just got back from a physical reconnaissance of the area down there. I spent about 4 days and drove about 1800 miles--looking at and evaluating various places in the Big Bend area. It was a long trip..... Hopefully, we will be able to get to DL88 and the other location all OK. We want to "clean up" a lot of the grids down in that area. We are planning all 4 Wheel Drive vehicles, good antennas, and QRO power(only art time in DL88). Please look for us this summer in these highly sought after grids. Thanks.

THE K5N GRID ACTIVATION GROUP PLANS FOR 2012

Hello everyone interested in FFMA or Grid chasing. The K5N Grid Activation Group(aka the K5N Group) is working on our plans for 2012 After getting wiped out in 2011, we are planning again. We want to mount DXpeditions that will benefit as many stations as possible. We want to let everyone to know what grids we intend to activate and when we intend to do that. We are looking at June 19th through June 26th--that is a few days before Field Day and includes the FD weekend We are planning a DXpedition divided into two groups. These two groups will be in the field at the same time, located in different grids, using different frequencies, and different calls. Here is the basic plan. Please understand that these plans are subject to

change. Each group will consist of 4 operators, an antenna vehicle, and a support vehicle. Here is a possible timetable:
June 19 Drive to the Big Bend area
June 20 Drive to final location and begin setup.
If setup goes well, we might operate some this night.
June 21 Operate
JUne 22 Operate
June 23 Operate--Field Day(1/2 day)
June 24 Operate--Field Day(1/2 day)
June 25 Tear down and begin the drive out
June 26 Finish drive home
GROUP 1--DL88. Obviously, this is the really hard one. In a fit of stupidity, we are going to try this one again. We will be using a big 4 x 4 pickup truck with a short tower mounted on a rack. The total height of the antenna will be approximately 20ft above the ground (remember that Talley2 is about another 15ft above the surrounding terrain). The antenna will be 2 x 6M5X mounted side by side as H-pol with full AZ and EL. We will operate Es whenever we can, most probably using 100W of power. We will operate some MS at favorable times, but it is unlikely that we will run all night long. Our call in DL88 will be K5N. When EME conditions are favorable, we will operate EME with 1000W out. This is going to be difficult, because the Park will not allow a generator in DL88. That means that we will have to run QRO off batteries. We will be doing a lot of battery charging. My plan is to use one set of very large batteries for EME while we are charging another set of batteries for normal operations.
The EME operation is to help those that are located just outside the normal single hop limit, but too close for double hop. By posting our plans now, it also enables anyone that wants this extremely rare grid to get their 6M EME station in order. You know what we will have, so it will behoove you to make sure that you have enough on your end to make the trip....i.e. more goo and more aluminum.
GROUP 2--Activate a Second Location. We want to choose this Second Location to maximize the value to the FFMA community. Listed in order of preference, our choices appear to be:
A)The Grid Line DL79-DL89. I have found a possible place to set up on the DL79-DL89 grid line. There is a nice location right on the DL79-DL89 line in the Big Bend Ranch State Park.
B)DL79 only. There are several places that we can set up in DL79 All are along US67 north of Presidio, TX. NOTE: As soon as the Second Location is finalized, we will let everyone know.
Group 2 CAN have a generator, so they will be running QRO at all times. This will make things a lot easier. We may run an 8877 for 6m or one of M2's KW solid state amps. The antenna will be a 6M5X. The call used by Group 2 will be N5K. Again this year, Joey-W5KFT has consented to be our QSL Manager. Please send ALL QSL cards to him with an SASE, not to the traveling members. The traveling members will not have blank cards to send out. NO SASE to Joey means NO QSL card. We are willing to listen to "Intelligent"

suggestions concerning our plans. The K5N Group will decide what
suggestions are "Intelligent" and which ones will go to the bit
bucket. Please send any suggestions to me directly--k5qe (at)
sabinenet.com. The K5N Grid Activation Group is hoping for a great
year in 2012. Not only for ourselves, but for all the other groups
that are planning on activating the various grids around the
country. GL to us all!!! 73 de the K5N Grid Activation Group
A Grid Bandits DXpedition http://www.kcvhfgridbandits.com
SOURCE: 73 Marshall Member of the K5N Group
via Sixitalia Weekly Info Page; Oct. 11-17, 2011

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** Many thanks to all our USER who did send us info and news **

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Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

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Date: 2011-10-21 14:54:37 UTC
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Source record: 3990
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Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1784 - October 21 2011

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1784 with a release date of
Friday, October 21st, 2011 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. A ham is killed in a mass murder at a beauty salon in Seal Beach, California; ham radio responds to massive flooding in Thailand; the C-E-P-T will propose a new 500 kHz band at WRC 2012 and radio helps to discover an invisible planet. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1784 coming your way right now.

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CRIME: HAM KILLED IN SEAL BEACH CA. MASS MURDER

A Seal Beach, California, ham was the innocent victim of a mass murderer. On Wednesday, October 12th, Scott Dekraai is alleged to have opened fire in a hair styling salon where his ex-wife was a stylist. She and eight others were killed in the rampage. One of those was David Caouette, N6DAC, who was sitting in his vehicle near-by as the gunman made his escape and shot him for no apparent reason. Amateur Radio Newsline's Joe Moell K0OV has what is known so far.

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N6DAC probably didn't know Scott Dekraii. He was simply in the wrong place at the wrong time. The unfortunate 64-year-old father of three had stopped for lunch at a Seal Beach diner and was sitting in his Land Rover in the parking lot when Dekraii came out of the hair salon and opened fire on him.

David was a ham who loved off-roading in his Land Rover with a group of fellow hams. They remember him as a mellow guy who was always ready to blaze a trail and always ready to help others. In the Orange County Register, Ed Testa KI6OJV tells the story of how David stopped to help a fellow driver whose vehicle was disabled by a snapped Rod. N6DAC spent four hours figuring how to get that new friend back on the road.

A memorial and tribute to N6DAC took place on October 17 at the diner where he died, with many of his friends in attendance.

>From Orange County, California this is Joe Moell, K0OV, for Amateur Radio Newsline.

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The 41-year-old Dekraai was scheduled to enter a plea on October 15th to eight counts of capital felony murder and one count of attempted murder. But the arraignment was postponed until November 29th after his lawyer asked for time to assemble a legal team. Prosecutors say they will seek the death penalty for Dekraai. Meantime some local Los Angeles area news reports say that the alleged gunman may have suffered from Bi-Polar Disorder and could plead not guilty by reason of temporary insanity. (K0OV, other published news reports)

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RADIO LAW: CEPT TO PROPOSE NEW 500 KHZ AMATEUR BAND AT WRC 2012

According to a bulletin issued by the Irish Radio Transmitting Society, a small allocation of about 15 kHz in parts of the 500 kHz band for the amateur radio service will be proposed at the next World Radiocommunications Conference to be held in 2012. This, as a proposal by the European Conference of Postal and Telecommunications Administrations, better known as the initials CRPT.

According to the Irish Radio Transmitting Society bulletin, this proposal has been made by a project team of about 50 representatives of European governments and other stakeholders in preparation for WRC12. The decision to proceed followed an invitation of the Federal Network Agency in Germany for a meeting that was held at the end of September in Mainz. The discussions there led to a compromise in the size of the amateur radio band, namely 480 kHz to 472 kHz, with a maximum effective radiated power of five watts. If approved, this allocation would be on a secondary basis to any and all current users. (Southgate)

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RESCUE RADIO: HAMS IN THAILAND RESPOND AS FLOODS HIT THAT NATION

Hams in Thailand are now first line emergency responders. This as massive flooding rages across parts of that nation. Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP, has the latest:

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The death toll from the most devastating flooding to hit Thailand in over 60 years has now risen to near 300. This, following monsoon rains that have swept across that nation since late July.

Amateur radio has been assisting with flood relief communications by helping victims in the affected areas. As we go to air, Thai hams are using the Radio Amateur Society of Thailand club station HS0AC and have also set up shop at a special flood relief centre at Bangkok's Don Mueang Airport operating as HS0AB. Take a listen:

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Actual Thai emergency communications audio.

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Locally, Thai hams are operating on VHF on 144.900, 144.9375 and145.000 MHz. World-wide, Thai emergency flood relief operations are on 7.063 and 7.060 MHz in the 40 meter band. If you happen to hear what sounds to be emergency communications on those two frequencies it is best to remain clear of them.

So far, nearly three million people in 26 out of the country's 77 provinces are said to have been affected by the disaster that has caused serious damage to that countrys agriculture and industries. Damage so far has been assessed at more than 20 billon baht or 6 million United States dollars. Meantime the city of Bangkok is bracing for a large amount of run-off water that is about to reach the it and which will coincide with seasonal high tides that will make it harder for the flood waters to flow out to sea. And with the volume of water and continuing rainfall, this emergency, and ham radio first response efforts are both likely to continue for days if not weeks to come.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, Im Norm Seeley, KI7UP, following this story from Scottsdale, Arizona.

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A video showing activities at the special flood relief amateur radio station at Don Mueang Airport is on line at tinyurl.com/Thai-flood-hams. Also, United States hams are being asked to refer all inquires from local or national media to ARRL Media and Public Relations Manager Allen Pitts, W1AGP. Allen is in contact with those handling relief operations in Thailand and will have the most accurate information. His e-mail is w1agp (at) arrl (dot) org. (HS0ZDX, VK3PC, RAST, ARRL)

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RESCUE RADIO: VK HAMS ASSIST IN HUNT FOR AIRCRAFT MISSING 30 YEARS

A group of amateur radio operators from Sydney, Australia, recently took part in a multi-agency search and rescue exercise in a remote area of New South Wales. This, to help in the continuing search for a small plane that is believed to have crashed some 30 years ago with its pilot and four passengers on board.

The single engine Cessna aircraft had the tail identification of VH-MDX. It had had taken off from Queensland for a flight to to Sydney's Bankstown airport when its pilot identified as Michael Hutchins radioed that he was experiencing severe turbulence. Also that the plane had been hit by lightning and he could no longer determine its orientation. To make matters worse, the wings were icing up and despite his best efforts, the Cessna was losing altitude. The aircraft then disappeared from radar and all communications ceased a few minutes later.

For thirty years since the accident, teams of volunteers have returned to the area to walk and climb their way through every piece of unsearched landscape in the hope that somebody will discover a piece of wreckage or spot something that helps to ends the riddle of VH-MDX. The regions that have been searched are marked off on a large map, so further unsearched areas can be checked the following year.

For the safety of the volunteer searchers, each of the six teams carried one vhf or uhf handheld radio and a portable 2-way High Frequency transceiver. Packed in a rainproof canvas box, the H-F sets included a short wire antenna that would work using skywave or N-V-I-S propagation. This, to contact any of several radio command posts set up and manned by WICEN of New South Wales. WICEN is a volunteer organization of licensed Australian amateur radio operators who donate some of their time and expertise to emergency communications to benefit the community much the same way that ARES members do here in the United States. Other groups helping with the search this year included the Bushwalkers Wilderness Rescue Squad, the New South Wales Police Rescue Squad, the New South Wales Volunteer Rescue Association and several others.

At the time of its disappearance the Cessna's four passengers were New South Wales Police Inspector Ken Price, who was traveling with Noel Wildash, Phillip Pembroke and Rhett Bosler. Search aircraft sent to the general area could find no sign of wreckage, and there was no smoke or fire to guide them. Several intensive land searches were also lunched but to date, no wreckage of the plane and the remains of its five occupants have been found. At airtime, the search is expected to resume sometime next year. (Adapted from walkietalkietwowayradios.com)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the WA4B repeater serving Miami, Florida.

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HAM RADIO NUMBERS: 700,000 HAMS IN THE USA

Figures released by the American Radio Relay League say that the number of United States hams now stands at a record high number of 700,000. According to ARRL V-E-C Manager Maria Somma, AB1FM, the number of Technicians peaked in March 2011 at 342,572, while September 2011 saw both Generals and Extras each peak respectively in their number of license holders.

In issuing her report Somma noted that as new Technicians earn their amateur radio licenses, and current Technician licensees move on to General and Generals upgrade to Extra, this can cause up-and-down

fluctuations for the totals. None the less, Somma says that for the first time, there are more than 700,000 radio amateurs in the United States. (ARRL)

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RADIO SCIENCE: LOW FREQUENCY GRANT ISSUED TO K4LCD AS WF2XXQ

The FCC has issued an Experimental License grant to Juan Granados, K4LCD, to operate on 130 kHz and 500 kHz with the callsign WF2XXQ. The permit is valid until October 1, 2016 and is tied to the ongoing Very Low Frequency Amateur Radio Experiment. More is on-line at tinyurl.com/4235u7s (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: ANOTHER UNLICENSED FLORIDA BROADCASTER DINGED WITH $10000 NAL

Posting information about his unlicensed station on the Internet could cost its alleged owner and operator $10,000. This after the FCC issues a Notice of Apparent Liability in that amount to one Neal Davis who the regulatory agency says operated such a transmitter from an a commercial property in the city of Ft. Lauderdale.

The case goes back to earlier this year. On January 21st, March 8th and March 10th agents from the FCC's Enforcement Bureau's Miami Office T-hunted the source of radio transmissions on 96.1 MHz to a location in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. While monitoring the station on March 10th, agents heard a male voice identify himself as "Shawty Pimp." On the same date, the Fort Lauderdale Police Department executed a search warrant at the commercial property and found Mr. Davis operating what it described as Disc Jockey equipment.

After the location was secured, agents from the Miami Office inspected the premises and found an unlicensed radio transmitter displaying 96.10 MHz. They also observed a Facebook page for "Nintysixonefm Realsideradio" on a laptop and an envelope addressed to Neal Davis near the equipment.

An agent from the Miami Office subsequently found information on the Internet advertising 96.1 FM, including a phone number that the FCC office previously heard broadcast on 96.1 MHz and information for a Disk Jockey that goes by "Djshawtypimp." Mr. Davis was identified by the agents as D J "Shawty Pimp" by comparing a photograph found on-line to that on Davis's Florida driver's license.

On October 17th, the FCC issued the $10,000 NAL to Neal Davis based on the information and documentation that it discovered during its investigation. Davis was given the customary 30 days to pay the proposed fine or to file an appeal. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC ORDERS DETROIT FM TRANSLATOR OFF THE AIR

The FCC has ordered Radio Power, Inc. to take translator W284BQ in Detroit off the air. This due to unresolved interference to co-channel WIOT(FM), in Toledo, Ohio.

WIOT licensee Citicasters identified nearly 30 complaints from listeners within the station's protected contour describing difficulties in receiving the station in their cars and homes. In July, the FCC gave Radio Power 30 days to resolve all the interference complaints or suspend operation. Radio Power did try to resolve the interference, including modifying the antenna to suppress radiation to the south.

Nevada-based Radio Power, Inc. offered those listeners a smartphone with an iHeartRadio application installed, enabling the listeners to receive WIOT programming over the Internet. However the phones require a paid data plan to run iHeartRadio which WIOT considered to make this an unworkable solution and did not solve the interference.

For its part Radio Power disagreed. It argued that the use of a smartphone improves the reception of WIOT and eliminates the interference.

But it was the FCC that had the final word. In its order released on October 17th, the regulatory agency said that providing a smartphone to complaining listeners does not solve over the air interference. Also that Radio Power's attempted remedy does not fulfill its obligation to suspend operations until the interference has been eliminated.

The FCC's order to take W284BQ off the air is effective immediately. More is on-line at tinyurl.com/translator-interference-fcc. (RW, FCC)

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RADIO SAFETY: LARGE FINE PROPOSED IN INDIANA TOWER ACCIDENT

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration has proposed a $91,500 fine for tower company ERI. This for alleged safety violations in connection with two tower related fatalities.

As Indiana's Lafayette Journal and Courier reported, two men fell some 340 feet and died in April while helping to build a 500-foot tower for the WASK Radio Group. Now, in its initial findings, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration says the men were exposed to fall hazards while riding the pole connected to the jump line of the gin pole. A gin pole is a vertical assembly used in the construction of towers to assist in raising and lowering such a structure.

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration also claims the two workers were not provided with adequate fall protection when accessing the man-basket and that load limits were not properly marked on some of the crew's equipment.

In reply, ERI President Tom Silliman said that some of OSHA's initial findings were incorrect and claims that the report is being revised. He added he could not comment until final determinations have been made.

According to the initial findings, the proposed fines can be appealed. (B&C)

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WORLDBEAT: US TESTS TO BE HELD IN COSTA RICA OCTOBER 28

An ARRL Volunteer Examination Coordinator exam team will be holding an examination session in Costa Rica for United States amateur radio licenses. The tests will be administered on Friday, October 28th at 9:00 a.m. local time in the city of La Guacima, Alajuela.

The fee for the exam is $14, which is the same as on U.S. soil. It entitles the applicant to take exams and receive credit for as many test elements as he or she can pass that day. This includes those elements required for higher grades of license.

This may be the last opportunity to take a United States exam this year anywhere in Central America. Those interested should contact Carlos Diez, TI5KD, via e-mail to ti5kd10 (at) gmail (dot) com as soon as possible to make arrangements and to reserve a seat. (Via e-mail)

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WORLDBEAT: AMATEUR RADIO FEATURED AT IAC2011

Amateur Radio was featured in several papers presented at the 62nd International Astronautical Congress held in Cape Town South Africa. This, for the first time since the formation of the International Astronautical Federation way back in 1951.

Several papers highlighted Amateur Radio involvement in satellites and in the search for extraterrestrial intelligence. A paper by Dr. Jakobus van Zyl and Johann Lochner, ZE6CBC, both engineers at SunSpace, covered a global geographical survey of received signal's strength in the VHF band.

Another report was on the data collected by the South African SumbandilaSat that had provided useful information for selecting future ground station locations for minimum interference. The study also gives an indication of frequencies to use for command and telemetry communication at existing ground stations. (SARL)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: NR6AV NAMED 2011 DISTRICT COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER OF THE YEAR

Some names in the news. First our congratulations to Ray Avesian, NR6AV, who has been named as the 2011 District Communications Officer of the Year at the Los Angeles County Disaster Communications Service Semi-Annual Meeting. In selecting him for the honor it was noted that

Avesian has worked diligently to bring the Disaster Communications Service program at Temple Station District 5 closer, and using his experience as a successful coach, to build a team of dedicated amateur radio operators.

The Temple Station Disaster Communications Service District 5 serves a very large portion of Southern California's San Gabriel Valley. This includes the communities of Temple City, Rosemead, Bradbury, Duarte, South El Monte, and the unincorporated areas of Monrovia, Arcadia, South San Gabriel, East Pasadena.

The Meeting honoring NR6AV was held at the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Sherman Block Headquarters Building in Monterey Park, California. (KE6VRL)

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WITH NEWSLINE: FACEBOOK AND YAHOOGROUPS - WE ARE THERE FOR YOU

And while we do not talk about it much on these newscasts, as we go to air this week the Amateur Radio Page on Facebook has garnered some 717 friends. And we just want to pause for a moment to thank James Pastorfield, KB7TBT, of Lavonia, Georgia, who stepped up just after we created the page and offered to maintain us for us.

Like everyone else in our Amateur Radio Newsline family, James is a volunteer. In this case one of those very special people that makes it possible for us to have an active presence on one very special aspect of social networking on the World-Wide-Web.

If you are on Facebook but are not a follower of the Amateur Radio Newsline page, we invite you to join us. Just use the search bar on Facebook to locate us and join in. We would love to have you with us over there.

Also, for those wanting home computer delivery of the text version of these weekly newscasts, we invite you once again to join the Amateur Radio Newsline group on Yahoogroups. You can also use the site to find archived scripts going all the way back to the year 2001. Just use the standard Yahoogroups sign up procedure to obtain a yahoogroups account then locate and join the group called ARNewsline.

Either way, we hope to continue to serve you in cyberspace as well as on the air. (ARNewsline(tm))

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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CHANGING OF THE GUARD: TELECOMMUNICATIONS LEADER ROBERT GALVIN OF MOTOROLA - SK

One of the greatest leaders in the world of telecommunications has left the scene. This with the passing of Robert Galvin, the man generally credited as putting the name Motorola on the map. Chris Boone, WB5ITT, has the story of this industry giant who affected lives world-wide:

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Robert W. Galvin, who took the reins of Motorola from his father and built a family-run business that pioneered Depression era car radios and wartime walkie-talkies into a global maker of color television sets, cellphones and other ubiquities of the electronic age has died.

>From his days as a stockroom apprentice in 1940 to the midlife pressures of the executive suite and his retirement-in-name-only as chairman in 1990, Mr. Galvin spent his working life with Motorola, leaving it only for military service in World War II. By the time he stepped down, he had transformed the company from a moderately successful postwar enterprise into a high-tech international giant in a fast-changing, highly competitive business.

In the three decades after Mr. Galvin took control in the late 1950s, annual sales leaped to $10.8 billion from $290 million. Motorola, based in Schaumburg, Ill., built factories, hired thousands of workers, expanded its products and set high standards for innovation.

Galvin was the force behind a company that forged trends in radio, television and integrated circuits for computers and other products.

Robert William Galvin was born in Marshfield, Wis., on Oct. 9, 1922, the only child of Paul and Lillian Guinan Galvin. He grew up in Chicago, where his father and uncle had founded the Galvin Manufacturing Corporation in 1928. The company had begun by making battery eliminators. Devices to plug radios into electrical systems in homes and cars. Radios were originally battery-operated. By 1940, Galvin Manufacturing had evolved into America's premier maker of car radios and two-way radios, called Handie-Talkies which became a Motorola trademark. After World War 2 broke out they became walkie-talkies, and the Army bought $10 million worth. Galvin also prospered in government contracts for radar systems.

In 1947, the company changed its name to Motorola, a fusion of motor and Victrola. It also set up a profit-sharing plan for employees - one of the first in the country to do so. During the Korean War, Motorola made mobile radio equipment and began to develop microwave-relay communications systems.

Mr. Galvin became president in 1956 and took over day-to-day operations from his father, who was chairman and chief executive until his death

in 1959. Robert succeeded him in both posts, and in the 1960s embarked on new paths: guided missile designs, space communications, radios for ships and aircraft, components and integrated circuits for TV sets, car ignitions and hundreds of other products. Motorola produced the first hand-held mobile phone in 1973 and later dominated the cellphone hardware business.

Mr. Galvin gave up Motorola's chairmanship in 1990, but continued for more than a decade to serve on its board and advise his son, Christopher, who succeeded him in 1997.

At airtime, it was not known weather Robert Galvin had been an amateur radio operator. According to both the QRZ and FCC databases, there was no issued amateur radio license for Robert W. Galvin who was truly one of the pioneers of two-way and telecommunications products throughout the world.

Reporting from sunny but dry South-East Texas in Beaumont, I'm Chris Boone, WB5ITT, for the Amateur Radio Newsline.

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As an aside, it should be noted that reporter Chris Boone, WB5ITT, is also the oldest Newsline bulletin station in Texas and also moderates the largest remail list dedicated to commercial Land Mobile Radio on the Internet. LMR at Yahoogroups.com ..normal subscribing commands for yahoogroups apply or they can find the list at groups.yahoo.com/group/LMR. (WB5ITT, other published news reports)

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WORLDBEAT: YAHOOGROUP FORMED TO DISCUSS THE RSGB'S FUTURE

Concern over the Radio Society of Great Britain's accountability and the way it's been conducting itself recently appears to have prompted a new discussion group on Yahoo Groups from White Rose Radio. On its opening page the group says that the site is open to all radio amateurs and interested parties in relation to the RSGB proposals on its proposed reorganization of its governing body.

The White Rose Radio group claims that its purpose is to maintain the RSGB as a democratic, accountable membership organization. It also suggests that the RSGB is in reality a business whose singular purpose is to defend and protect the privileges enjoyed by radio amateurs within the UK.

Recently, the RSGB announced plans to hold what it called an Extraordinary Membership Meeting to discuss and vote on changes that would effectively remove most of its current Board of Directors and replace them with experts in various fields of corporate governance. At the same time its looking at various methods to enter a period of what might be best termed as fiscal economic measures to help it weather the current world economic climate.

You can follow the discussion on line by joining the new discussion group at groups.yahoo.com/group/whiteroseradiouk. (Southgate)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: UOSAT 1 LIFE CELEBRATED

Surrey Satellite Technology Limited has celebrated the 30th anniversary of the orbiting of Surrey's first satellite, UOSAT-1. Launched into orbit on October 6th 1981, UOSAT-1 was designed and built by a team from the University of Surrey led by its founder Sir Martin Sweeting, G3YJO.

UOSAT-1 was also known as UOSAT-OSCAR 9. It was a scientific and educational Low-Earth Orbit satellite containing many experiments and beacons but no amateur transponders. The satellite remained fully operational until it re-entered October 13, 1989 from a decaying orbit after nine years of service on-orbit. (ANS)

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This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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ON THE AIR: CELEBRATING THE XIV PAN AMERICAN GAMES

Members of Mexico's Club de Radio Experimentadores de Occidente in conjunction with the Federaci&#65533;n Mexicana de Radio Experimentadores will activate special event station 4C1JPG between now and October 30th. This operation is to the 2011 and XVI Pan American Games in Guadalajara. Activity will be on 160 through 6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK and the Satellites. QSL via Logbook of the World, by the bureau or direct to XE1GZU. (Via e-mail)

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DX

In DX, listen out for a team of German and Polish operators to be signing 3XY1D from Guinea between October 18th and November 1st. Operation will be on 160 through 6 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. One station will be exclusively dedicated to RTTY, PSK31 and SSTV. QSL via DL7DF, direct or via the bureau.

F5HRY will be active stroke FY from French Guiana during the CQ World Wide DX SSB Contest on October 29th and the 30th . This, as a Single Operator Single Band 10 meter only entry. QSL as directed on the air.

LA5UF will be on the air from Nauru as C21UF through October 24th and Easter Island as CE0Y/LA5UF between November 3rd and the 11th. Activity from both locations will be on CW and PSK31. QSL only via his home callsign.

Lastly, F6BLP will be active from Senegal as 6W7SK between January 20th and February 3rd, 2012. His operation will be holiday style operating mainly CW. Logs will be uploaded to Logbook of the World and to eQSL. Send your QSL to F6BLP, direct or via the bureau.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: NASA KEPLER SPACE PROBE DISCOVERS INVISIBLE PLANET

An invisible planet, which has not yet been seen by eye has been discovered by scientists using NASA's Kepler spacecraft. The discovery was possible thanks to a companion of the unseen planet. Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, is in the newsroom with more:

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According to astronomers, the planet named Kepler-19c really cannot be seen, but it makes itself known by the way it influences other planets through its gravitational force.

The invisible planet has tugged at its partner the visible Kepler-19b planet, slowing it down and then speeding it up in its transition.

The Kepler space probe locates planets by looking for a star that dims slightly as a planet transits the star, passing across the star's face from the space probes point of view. Transits give one crucial piece of information regarding the planet's physical size. The greater the dip in light, the larger the planet relative to its star. However, the planet and star must line up exactly for Kepler to see a transit.

The visible Kepler-19b has a diameter of 18,000 miles, making it slightly more than twice the size of Earth. It reportedly transits its star every 9 days and 7 hours. It orbits the star at a distance of 8.4 million miles, where it is heated to a temperature of about 900 degrees Fahrenheit.

The invisible planet named Kepler-19c has multiple personalities that are consistent with the data found according to Daniel Fabrycky of the University of California at Santa Cruz. Fabrycky says that it could be a rocky planet on a circular 5 day orbit, or a gas-giant planet on an oblong 100 day orbit.

Currently the astronomers know very little about the new planets. The Kepler spacecraft will continue to monitor and radio information back to Earth regarding the twin Kepler-19's throughout its mission. This in hope of gathering more information about the invisible Kepler-19c.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasaternak, WA6ITF, quite visible in the Newsroom in the City of Angels.

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It should be noted that years ago astronomers discovered the planet Neptune in the same way. While tracking Uranus they noticed that its orbit didn't match predictions. That led to the later proven theory that a more distant planet might be nudging Uranus and calculated its expected location. (IB Times, Space.com)

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Jim Davis, W2JKD, in sunny Vero Beach, Florida, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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1001. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 23rd October 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 23rd October 2011

The news headlines:

* New web discussion board on RSGB's future

* Amateurs provide Thai emergency communications

* RSGB Intruder Watch activity on 28MHz

The November RadCom is now in the post and should be with UK members by Monday 24 October. This edition contains details of the proposals to be discussed at the Extraordinary General Meeting on 19 November at the NEC in Birmingham. Members are encouraged to read the proposals carefully. The Society has opened a web-based discussion group to encourage debate and questions about the Board's proposals. This facility can be accessed at www.rsgb.org/EGM. The Board encourages all RSGB members to vote on the proposals, either in person at the EGM, via the internet, or by post. Full details of how to vote are on page 14 of the November RadCom.

Amateurs in Thailand are providing essential communication links during that country's devastating floods. The Radio Amateur Society of Thailand club station HS0AC has been very busy, as has HS0AB at a special flood relief centre at Don Mueang airport in Bangkok. Thai amateurs are using 7.060 to 7.063MHz, plus local working on the 2m band.

Following the improvement in propagation on 28MHz, it appears that there are many illegal users of this band using low power FM channelised rigs to operate taxi services. Signals mainly seem to come from the western part of Russia. Following discussions with the Ofcom monitoring station at Baldock, information regarding these intrusions is being gathered by RSGB Intruder Watch. The information will be used to support a complaint to the Russian authorities in an attempt to clear this nuisance from what should be an exclusive amateur band.

Due to Tony Horton, G0LKG stepping down as 2E series QSL manager after 12 years, there is now a vacancy for a replacement. The 2E series is one of the top three QSL groups, with about 40,000 cards per year. This volunteer position is ideal for someone with time available and who is keen to make a difference. If you're interested, up for a challenge and want to help, contact the QSL Bureau by email to qsl@rsgb.org.uk.

A number of Portuguese repeaters are believed to be off the air due to funding issues. There is speculation that they may be amateur radio's first direct casualties of the economic downturn. The keepers are reportedly trying to develop sponsorship relationships to generate funding, but it is not currently possible to predict when the devices will be back on the air.

The international Telecommunications Union has announced that the world's newest country, South Sudan, has joined the ITU. It became the Union's 193rd member state earlier this month. South Sudan has only been independent since 9 July 2011, but joining the ITU demonstrates the country's commitment to adhere to the International Radio Regulations. Pioneering British satellite Prospero was launched from Australia on 28 October 1971. It remains in orbit, and a team from the Mullard Space Science Laboratory are planning to re-establish contact, in time for its 40th birthday this Friday, 28 October. Transmissions from the satellite were still being heard in 2006, but it is not known whether the 137.560MHz transmitter is still functional. More details can be found online at www.tinyurl.com/gb2rs-prospero.

The Society is receiving reports of a new wave of very plausible-sounding emails that try to obtain money by deception. The emails appear to be from a fellow amateur, often someone known to you. The usual pattern is to claim that the person has been mugged while on holiday abroad, has lost everything, and needs a sum of money in order to settle their hotel bill and pay for a new flight home. The amount requested is usually quite specific, for example 2650 euros. If you do receive an email of this type, it is recommended you make careful checks on its truthfulness before parting with any money. It is often the case that the alleged mugging victim is safe and well at home, but that their email system has been hijacked by the fraudsters &#65533; so check by telephone, not email.

AMSAT South Africa has issued the first call for papers for the 2012 Space Symposium to be held in Durban next May 12th at the University of KwaZulu-Natal. If you would like to present a paper, please send a brief synopsis to reach SA AMSAT by no later than 31 January 2012. The theme will be 50 years of OSCAR, celebrating the launch of the first amateur radio satellite on 12 December 1961.

Professor Jean-Marie P Wersinger, KI4YAU is asking for help in tracking the forthcoming amateur radio satellite AubieSat-1. The satellite is due to be launched from Vandenberg Air Force Base on Tuesday 25 October, and will transmit around 800mW on 437.475MHz. The beacon signal is sent as 20 words per minute CW, along with telemetry at up to 60wpm. It is likely to be active from around 1221UTC, at which time the satellite is expected to be over the South Atlantic, but no further orbit information has currently been released.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

Today, Sunday 23 October, the Galashiels and District ARS radio rally takes place at The Volunteer Hall, St Johns Street, Galashiels,

Scottish Borders TD1 3JX. Admission is £2.50 and the main opening time is 11.30. There is a Bring and Buy, trade stands, catering and a prize draw. Details from Jim, GM7LUN on 01896 850 245 or mail@gm7lun.co.uk.

Also today, the Callington Amateur Radio Society Rally is at Callington Community College, Launceston Road, Callington, Cornwall PL17 7DR. Opening at 10am, admission is £2 and attractions include trade stands, a Bring & Buy, catering and a prize draw. Contact John, G4PBN, 01822 835 834, or email lumley85- cars@yahoo.co.uk.

On 29 and 30 October the North Wales Rally is at John Bright School. Llandudno LL301LF from 10am. There will be trade stands, a Bring and Buy, catering and disabled facilities. Contact John, G4PBN, on 01822 835 834. Sunday 30 October sees the Holsworthy Amateur Rally at Holsworthy Community College, Victoria Hill, Holsworthy EX22 6JD. Details from Roger Williams, on 07773 983 691.

Now for the news of special events

The White River Light Station in Whitehall, Michigan will be on the air as W8L on Sunday 23 October. The event is sponsored by the Muskegon Area Amateur Radio Council and the station will be operating on 40 to 10m, SSB and CW.

On Sunday 23 October Leiston Amateur Radio Club will be operating GB2LSM on HF from the Long Shop Museum in Leiston, Suffolk.

And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

The third annual North American Summits On The Air activation takes place next weekend, 22 and 23 October. Typical operating frequencies are 7.040, 7.032, 10.116, 14.060, 14.062, 14.282, 14.285 and 14.342MHz.

G3RWF will be active as 5X1NH from Uganda for three weeks, starting on 23 November. He will concentrate on the low bands. QSL via his home callsign.

DK7PE will be active as TL0CW from the Central African Republic from 26 October to 3 November. QSL via his home call.

OS1T will be active as PJ4J on Bonaire Island from 27 October to 9 November 2011. The focus will be on RTTY, SSB and the WARC bands, but other bands may also be used depending on the propagation.

4X/N6HD will be operating from Israel until 3 November. He will be on 160 to 10m using CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign or Logbook of the World.

JK1KSB will be on the air as 8Q7SO from Mirihi Island Resort in the Maldives between 28 October and 3 November. Activity will be holiday style on 80 to 10m using CW, RTTY, SSB and PSK31. QSL via JK1KSB, either via the bureau or to the address on QRZ.com.

Now the contest news

On 25 October the 50MHz and SHF UKAC contests take place from 1900UTC until 2130UTC. Operating on 6m and 13cm to 3cm respectively, the exchange is RST, serial number and locator.

Thursday 27 October sees the 80m Club Sprint from 1900UTC until 2030UTC. Operating on 3.5MHz SSB, the exchange is serial number and name. Next weekend, 29 & 30 October, it's the CQWW DX SSB contest, running from 0000UTC until 2359UTC. Use SSB on all contest bands from 3.5-28MHz and exchange RST plus Zone, which is 14 for the UK.

And now the solar factual data for the period from the 10th to the 16th of October, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS, on the 17th of October

There was no shortage of sunspot groups this week with up to ten visible on most days. Several regions produced occasional C class solar flares but one group that increased in size and magnetic complexity every day produced numerous C class flares every day later in the period. No M or X class solar flares took place. Solar flux levels increased from 126 units on the 10th to 151 by the 16th. The average was 136 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 16th was 118, that's four units up on last week. X-ray flux levels increased from B3 units to B8.6 by the 16th. The average was B4.9 units. Geomagnetic activity was quiet with the Ap index in single figures every day. The most disturbed day was the 15th with an Ap index of 8 units. The average was Ap 5 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds increase from 320 kilometres per second to 490 by the 15th. Particle densities were very low, with only one particle per cubic centimetre on the 12th. Even for the rest of the period densities remained in single figures. Bz never varied more than minus 9 and plus 8 nanoTeslas during the period. The combination of the increase in solar flux levels, low geomagnetic activity and seasonal improvement made for good propagation across the HF range, right up to 28MHz, where all continents and the T32C DXpedition were workable.

And now the solar forecast. This week the more active side of the Sun is expected to be looking our way. Solar activity should be low every day, there is a good chance that activity could increase on some days. Solar flux levels are expected to be in the 120's for most of the week. Geomagnetic activity should start at quiet levels but by next weekend a small coronal hole disturbance could increase activity slightly. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 30MHz, or slightly higher particularly in the south. Darkness hour lows are expected to be about 11MHz. One of the largest HF contests of the year takes place next weekend, that's the CQ SSB worldwide contest. HF propagation is looking good with openings to all continents on all the higher bands including 28MHz. Hopefully, the coronal hole disturbance will have little effect but maybe the Sunday will be the better of the two days.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your

transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS On Monday 25 October Bromsgrove & District Amateur Radio Club is making plans for the shack. Contact Chris, M0BQE on 01905 776 869.

On Monday 25 October Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is having an informal evening. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Monday 25 October Leicester Radio Society is having a talk on The Slums of Leicester by Ned Newitt. Contact Alex, G8FCQ, on 07531 201 640.

On Monday 25 October South Birmingham Radio Society is having an aerial working party. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Monday 25 October Stratford Upon Avon District Radio Society is having a talk on the computer control of receivers by G8UKT. Contact G0CHO, on 01608 664 488.

On Monday 25 October Sutton Coldfield Amateur Radio Society is having a visit and talk by the Snowdonia Radio Company. More information from Robert Bird, by email to spirit.guide@hotmail.co.uk.

On Monday 25 October Wythall Radio Club continues its Advanced Course. Details from Christopher Pettitt, G0EYO, by email to g0eyo@blueyonder.co.uk.

On Tuesday 26 October Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is having a practical evening. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Tuesday 26 October Mid-Warwickshire Amateur Radio Society is planning its programme for 2012. Details from Don, G4CYG, on 01926 424 465.

On Tuesday 26 October Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is looking at the club website. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Tuesday 26 October Wythall Radio Club is having a homebrew evening. Details from Christopher Pettitt, G0EYO, by email to g0eyo@blueyonder.co.uk.

On Wednesday 27 October Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is having a skittles match with CARA. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime. On Wednesday 27 October Lincoln Short-Wave Club is

putting G5FZ on the air. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Wednesday 27 October Midland Amateur Radio Society is running Foundation and Morse classes. Norman, G8BHE, QTHR, 01214 229 787

On Thursday 28 October Brigg & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on sun spots and solar activity by amateur astronomer Geoff Tew. Details from John, 2E0III, on 01652 632 938.

On Thursday 28 October Salop Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night and commences revision for the Intermediate exam. Details on the club website at www.salop-ars.org.uk.

On Friday 29 October Coventry Amateur Radio Society is having a radio workshop evening. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

On Saturday 30 October Lincoln Short-Wave Club is putting G5FZ on the air and doing jobs around the shack. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Sunday 31 October Midland Amateur Radio Society is at the Landudno Rally. Contact Norman, G8BHE, on 01214 229 787.

On Sunday 31 October South Birmingham Radio Society is visiting the North Wales Rally at Llandudno. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND On Monday 25 October Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is on the air and having a natter night. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Monday 25 October Bolton Wireless Club is having an activity night, looking at tracking of bees by radio with G4MVU, plus having a honey tasting. For details, send an email to boltonwireless@gmail.com.

On Monday 25 October Macclesfield & District Radio Society is looking at homebrew aerials. More information from Roger Bell, M0GMG, on 07712 589 163.

On Monday 25 October Scarborough Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by G0UVR on quad and low band antennas. Details from Jerry Scarr, G6LBL, on 01751 476 601.

On Monday 25 October Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on software defined radio by Josh, M0JMO. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 25 October South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is holding its monthly technical forum. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Tuesday 26 October Chester & District Amateur Radio Society is conducting radio operations at Waverton Institute. Details from Barbara Green on 07957 870 770.

On Tuesday 26 October Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society continues its Foundation and Intermediate training. Contact Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341 317. On Tuesday 26 October Otley Amateur Radio Society is taking part in the 50MHz UKAC. Contact Paul, 2E0PAK, on 07768 996 370.

On Wednesday 27 October Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is participating in the 80m CW Club Sprint. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Wednesday 27 October Otley Amateur Radio Society continues its Foundation licence course. Contact Paul, 2E0PAK, on 07768 996 370.

On Thursday 28 October Preston Amateur Radio Society is having a construction evening. Contact Richard, M0RDZ, on 07855 873 566.

On Thursday 28 October Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on off centre fed antenna designs. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 07876 085 631.

On Thursday 28 October South Cheshire Amateur Radio Society is holding its AGM. Contact Chris Wiseman, G0RDK, on 01782 773 185.

On Thursday 28 October South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having a talk on CNC machines by Ged, G8RSI. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Friday 29 October East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is on the air. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Saturday 30 October Wakefield & District Radio Society commences its Foundation & Advances courses. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563 117.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND No news items have been received for Northern Ireland this week.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday 26 October Kilmarnock & Loudoun Amateur Radio Club is having a club night. Contact Graham, MM3GDC, by email to mm3gdc@btinternet.com.

On Tuesday 26 October Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is holding Morse code practice. Details from Norman, on 07740 946 192.

On Wednesday 27 October Paisley YMCA Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on antennas for small gardens by RSGB Region 1 Manager Len Paget, GM0ONX. Contact Bill Anderson, 2M0BZZ, on 01505 613 633.

On Wednesday 27 October West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society is having construction projects and licence training by The Solder Group. More information from Fred Coombes, 2M0BIN, on 01415 715 512.

On Thursday 28 October Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is having a talk. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663. On Friday 29 October West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society is having presentations, guest speakers, a raffle & quiz.. More information from Fred Coombes, 2M0BIN, on 01415 715 512.

On Saturday 30 October Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the CQWW SSB contest. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA On Sunday 24 October Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society is having a fish & chips night. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 02085 021 645.

On Tuesday 26 October Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Tuesday 26 October Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is having a club net night. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Tuesday 26 October Dorking & District Radio Society is having a talk by Brian Oakley on behind the scenes at Bletchley Park in WW2. Contact Garth, G3NPC, on 01737 359 472.

On Tuesday 26 October Harwell Amateur Radio Society is having a shack activity night. Contact Malcolm, G8NRP, on 01235 524 844.

On Tuesday 26 October Horndean & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its AGM. Contact Stuart, G0FYX, on 02392 472 846.

On Wednesday 27 October Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday 27 October Darenth Valley Radio Society is having a talk on printed circuit board construction by Ray, G0FDU. For more information send an email to Ray, G0FDU@G0KDV.com.

On Wednesday 27 October Newbury & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by Steve, G6ALU on the 80m kit. For more information contact Rob, G3LMW, on 01635 862 737.

On Wednesday 27 October Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is having an informal, construction, workshop and Bright Sparks evening. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Wednesday 27 October Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is putting GX3WOR on the air for the 80m Club Sprint. For more information contact Roy, G4GPX, on 01903 753 893.

On Thursday 28 October Bittern DX Group is planning development and training events. Details from Linda, G0AJJ, on 01692 404 154.

On Thursday 28 October Echelford Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night, Bring & Buy and CW practice. Contact John, G4GSC, on 01784 451 898.

On Thursday 28 October Edgware & District Radio Society is having a talk on visiting the Galapagos Islands by Mike, G4RNW. More information from Mike, G4RNW, on 02089 500 658. On Thursday 28 October Reading & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its autumn junk sale. Details from Pete, G8FRC, on 01189 695 697.

On Thursday 28 October Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is planning for CQWW. Details from David, G8UOD, on 01234 742 757.

On Friday 29 October Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a radio night. Contact Peter, G4AKG, on 01444 239 371.

On Friday 29 October Waterlooville Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the RAF. Details from Rich, G4IBW, on 02392 680 852.

On Friday 29 October Wimbledon & District Amateur Radio Society is holding its AGM. Contact Jim, M0CON, on 02088 747 456.

On Saturday 30 October Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is taking part in CQWW. Details from David, G8UOD, on 01234 742 757.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST On Monday 25 October Bristol RSGB Group is having a talk by Phil Whitchurch, G3SWH, on the VK9X/G6AY Christmas Island DXpedition. Details from Robin, G3TKF, on 01225 420 442.

On Wednesday 27 October Taunton & District Amateur Radio Club is operating the club station. Contact William, G3WNI, on 01823 666 234 for more information.

On Wednesday 27 October Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Thursday 28 October South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Len, G4RZY, on 01275 834 282.

On Thursday 28 October Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Friday 29 October Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having an audio/visual presentation on the local newspaper. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES On Thursday 27 October Marches Amateur Radio Society is holding an informal quiz night at the Black Park Miners Museum, close to the Chirk McDonalds. All are welcome and there is talk-in on GB3UO.Details from Marc Griffiths, MW6TDG.

On Friday 29 October Newport Amateur Radio Society is closed. Details from Ross Clare, GW3NWS, on 01633 880 146.

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http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/hot-actrsess.html

SONAKSHI SINHA HOT PHOTOS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/09/sonakshi-sinha-hot.html
PRIYANKA CHOPRA LATEST HOT PHOTOS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/priyanka-chopra-hot.html

LATEST AMISHA PATEL HOT PICS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/amisha-patel-hot.html
TAPSEE DIFFERENT STILLS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/08/tapsee-hot.html
PRIYAMANI HOT PHOTOS
http://hotactress-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/09/priyamani-hot.html

1004. Welcome to rec.radio.info!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-22 06:00:04 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/rec-radio-info/welcome-1-1319263201@panix.com>
Source record: 3994
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.info,rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.answers,news.answers

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/rec-radio-info/welcome
Revision: 1.4 2008/02/09 19:36:10
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

*** Welcome to rec.radio.info! ***

Welcome to rec.radio.info, a group that aims to provide a noise-free
source of information and news for the entire rec.radio hierarchy.

Two introductory articles about rec.radio.info are posted to the group
every month. You are now reading the first article, which explains what
rec.radio.info is, and answers some Frequently Asked Questions. The
second article is titled Posting Guidelines, and you only need to read
it if you want to submit an article to rec.radio.info.

You can skip to the next section of this article by searching for the
next
" -- " string. The sections available are:
- What is the purpose of rec.radio.info?
- Why are messages almost always cross posted to rec.radio.info?
- What is a 'follow-up', and what does 'moderated' mean?
- OK, so now I know what 'moderated' means. Tell me more.
- What type of material is considered inappropriate?
- I do not have access to news, how can I get the information posted to
rec.radio.info?
- Will the material appearing in rec.radio.info be archived somewhere?
- I have a regular posting with timely information, is there a way to
speed up it's delivery, or automate for more convenience?

-- What is the purpose of rec.radio.info?

The purpose or charter of rec.radio.info is to provide the Usenet
community with a resource for information, news, and facts about any and
all things radio.

All the other rec.radio groups are intended for discussions and general
chit chat about radio. Rec.radio.info will contain informational,
factual articles only. Follow-ups are redirected to an appropriate other
group, and further discussion (if any) will not take place in
rec.radio.info.
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In order to ensure that rec.radio.info contains only appropriate articles, it was decided to create the group as a moderated newsgroup.

-- Why are messages almost always cross posted to rec.radio.info?

It provides a "tag" for each article to be assembled into a filtered presentation in rec.radio.info (even with cross-posting, only one message, with a unique Message-ID, is propagated across the net). This tag also facilitates a pre-existing method of dropping or canceling the articles locally within the discussion groups if you don't want to see them. This accommodates individuals who want to separate the bulletins from the discussions, discussions from the bulletins, as well as those who are adamant about not reading another newsgroup and wanted to see everything all in one basket.

With the total size of Usenet (in number of newsgroups and total traffic) doubling every year or so, this is no insignificant contribution to reducing information noise and chaos. Making the discussion groups a catch-all, and making extra newsgroups filters on that catch-all, is also the most realistic way to implement such a scheme (It's not intuitively obvious what the charter, contents, and general appropriate topics for each and every newsgroup are. Seeing FAQ's and charter/intro postings in the home newsgroup is beneficial for new readers).

By cross-posting one only is adding a few tens of bytes to each bulletin (to specify the extra group on the Newsgroups line), but are adding the capability for very powerful filtering features available on most news servers, listservers and readers. Your local news guru could probably explain these features in more detail.

In rn, for example, according to Leanne Phillips in her rn kill-file FAQ, add a line of the form:

/Newsgroups:.*[,]rec\.radio\.info/h:j

either in ~/News/KILL (if you don't want to see rec.radio.info articles anywhere) or ~/News/rec/radio/amateur/misc/KILL (if you don't want to see them just in rec.radio.amateur.misc). The latter method means your kill file will only be consulted during rec.radio.amateur.misc (and hence runs more efficiently), and will probably work for most people.

In nn, according to Bill Wohler in his nn FAQ, add a line of the form:

rec.radio.info:!s/:^

in ~/.nn/kill (if you don't want to see rec.radio.info articles anywhere), or put the following lines:

sequence
rec.radio.info
rec.radio.

at the end of ~/.nn/init in order to see all the rec.radio.info bulletins first, then read the remaining rec.radio.* without the

bulletins.

In slrn, according to the srln FAQ, the following scoring rule will | allow you to see rec.radio.info-crossposted bulletins, while still | filtering out most SPAM or "Velveeta" crossposted to more than 2 | newsgroups (as such articles usually do not contain a 'Followup-To:' | header): |

Score: -9999 |
Newsgroups: ,.*, |
~Followup-To: . |

More information about kill files may be obtained from Dave Fawthrop's Killfile FAQ at:

http://www.hyphenologist.co.uk/killfile/

-- What is a 'follow-up', and what does 'moderated' mean?

If you are new to Usenet and are not familiar with the terminology, you might want to read the general introductory articles found in the newsgroup news.announce.newusers. Doing so will make your life on the net much easier, and will probably save you from making silly beginner's mistakes.

If you think that at this moment you are reading an echo, a conference, or a bulletin board, I'd also strongly suggest a trip over to news.announce.newusers.

For the rest of this article, we will assume you have a basic knowledge of Usenet terminology and mechanics.

A moderated group means that any article that needs to be posted to the group has to be accepted by the moderator of the group. Since we need to ensure that followups to an article (discussion) do not show up in the rec.radio.info newsgroup, the `Followup-To:' header line contains a newsgroup that is appropriate for discussions about the specific article.

-- OK, so now I know what 'moderated' means. Tell me more.

Rec.radio.info is a moderated newsgroup, which means that all articles submitted to the group will have to be approved by the moderator first.

The current moderator of the group is the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team. Submissions to rec.radio.info can be posted, or e-mailed to:

rec-radio-info@panix.com

Comments, criticisms, suggestions or questions about the group can be e-mailed to:

rec-radio-info-request@panix.com

But before you do so, please be sure to check out the "Posting Guidelines" article.

The influence of the moderator should be minimal and of an administrative nature, consisting chiefly of weeding out obviously inappropriate articles, while making sure correct headers etc. are used for the appropriate ones.

-- What type of material is considered inappropriate?

There are three broad categories of articles which will be rejected by the moderator:

1) Requests for information: rec.radio.info is strictly a one-way street. We receive information in our mailbox; we then post it to rec.radio.info. Requests for specific information belong in the normal discussion newsgroups. If your request gets answered, you might consider passing the answer on to rec.radio.info, though. Especially if you can edit it into a informational, rather than a discussion, format.

2) Obvious discussion articles, or articles that appear unsubstantiated.

3) Commercial stuff: a relatively unbiased test of a radio product would be accepted, but any hint of for-profit might be reason for rejection. For three reasons: This is not the purpose of the list, for-profit is a controversial topic, and this list may be passed onto Amateur Packet Radio (where for-profit is prohibited except under certain provisos).

rec.radio.swap may be more deserving of the posting in any matter.

Similarly, copyrighted material generally cannot be used. If it's TRULY worthwhile to the net, We would recommend obtaining permission from the copyright holder. Please note the source, and if permission was given. We reserve the right to make the final decision concerning appropriateness in all situations. In most cases, a brief summary of, or pointer to, the copyrighted information may be all we can allow.

-- I do not have access to news, how can I get the information posted to rec.radio.info?

Google has an excellent web interface to Usenet newsgroups. It is available at:

http://groups.google.com

It supports both reading and posting.

Another excellent web interface to at least the radio-related Usenet newsgroups is the RadioBanter site:

http://www.radiobanter.com

sponsored by the NewsgroupBanter project:

http://www.newsgroupbanter.com

It, too, supports both reading and posting.

-- Will the material appearing in rec.radio.info be archived somewhere?

Yes. See Google Groups and RadioBanter above.

Effectively this means that anything you post to rec.radio.info will be permanently stored, so your work will not be lost.

-- I have a regular posting with timely information, is there a way to speed up it's delivery, or automate for more convenience?

Yes, there is! It may take a bit of chatter with the moderator, but we are willing to take responsible people and provide them the means of posting the articles directly from their site. We will try everything we can as we fully realize that DX (distant signal) and astronomical data can be somewhat transitory. We are also willing to allow regular posters of information the same courtesy, even if the information is not as time critical.

We refer to this as self-moderation, which is partly based on the model for rec.answers/news.answers. This requires co-operation and goodwill to be beneficial to the community in the rec.radio hierarchy.

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms about this article to rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

(Adapted, with permission, from the original article written by Mark Salyzyn, AG4YD, ex-VE6MGS.)

1005. rec.radio.info Posting Guidelines

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-22 06:05:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/rec-radio-info/guidelines-1-1319263500@panix.com>
Source record: 3995
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.info,rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.answers,news.answers

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/rec-radio-info/guidelines
Revision: 1.5 2007/03/22 16:30:49
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

*** rec.radio.info - Posting Guidelines and Etiquette ***

Two introductory articles about rec.radio.info are posted to this group
and to rec.answers/news.answers every month. You are now reading the
second article, which explains how to submit something to
rec.radio.info, and which answers some Frequently Asked Questions about
the submission process. The first article is titled "Welcome to
rec.radio.info", and it might be a good idea to check it out as well.

-- How do I submit something to rec.radio.info?

Two possibilities. You can use your newsreading software to just post
the article to rec.radio.info, as you would do with any other
newsgroup. The difference is that the software recognizes the special
status of rec.radio.info as a moderated group, and will e-mail your
article to us, the moderation team, instead of posting it to the group.

Alternatively, you can mail your article directly to us at the following
address:

rec-radio-info@panix.com

Mailing us directly is probably (a wee bit) faster, but using the
transparency offered by the newsreading software is probably more
convenient.

If you have any questions, or wish to deal with some administrivia with
the moderation team, we suggest mailing to the following address:

rec-radio-info-request@panix.com

-- How soon will I see my article appear?

It depends on how busy we are. Your article reaches us as mail, we have
to read it first, give it the stamp of approval, and finally send it on
to the group. We will attempt to read and decide on all submissions
within 72 hours at the very least, though we will probably be able to
process submissions much faster in actual practice.
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The site from which we moderate this newsgroup, "Public Access Internet and Unix, NYC" (Panix), is directly connected to the Internet, and articles posted at that site should appear at most major news sites, including Google Groups, the same day. The principal delay, therefore, will be the wait in the moderator's submission queue.

If you post a periodic article, and have shown to be trustworthy, we may allow you to post directly if the article is of a timely nature. See the section below on direct posting.

-- Should my article be in a specific format?

No. If it is not totally illegible, we will accept it, and if it does not have a correct subject-line we will correct it with your permission -- that's what a moderator is for.

However.

You could do us a big favor by making sure your article conforms to these simple requirements:

1) The article must present information, not discussion or requests, We will reject the article or require you to change the wording if it is worth it.
2) A good, descriptive Subject line.
3) Always mention what source you got the information from.
4) Don't forget to include a Followup-To header, at least if you don't want further discussion to automatically be forwarded to you, the poster, which is the default if the article is only posted to rec.radio.info.

As we said: if your article is appropriate we will post it even if you don't follow these guidelines, but then don't blame us for not processing it immediately. 'Perfect' articles we can send on with a couple of keystrokes. Stuff that needs minor editing is going to have to wait until we have time to do so.

Please do not waste both our and your time by posting requests, as this is an information only news group.

-- What about crossposting?

If you send something to rec.radio.info, just name any group you'd like to cross-post to in the Newsgroups field. Then, when we approve the article for rec.radio.info it will get automatically cross-posted to any other groups mentioned. This will also override the default Followup-To: poster, replacing it with the groups you cross posted to.

We would prefer if the group be cross-posted to the various discussion groups in the rec.radio.* hierarchy that are appropriate:

rec.radio.amateur.misc Amateur (ham) radio and related matters
rec.radio.amateur.packet Amateur Packet Radio discussions
rec.radio.amateur.policy Amateur Radio practices, rules, etc.
rec.radio.noncomm Non commercial radio discussions

rec.radio.shortwave International broadcasting on the 'HF' bands
rec.radio.cb Citizens Band (27 MHz) discussion
rec.radio.scanner Scanner discussions (unsupported group)

or in one of the moderated groups:

rec.radio.amateur.moderated Amateur radio practices, rules, etc.
rec.radio.broadcasting Discussion of *domestic* radio broadcasting

We will leave it up to the poster to decide which group(s) are appropriate, but reserve the right to add groups if we feel it has broader interest. We will consult with the poster first.

Notes on crossposting:

- rec.radio.broadcasting is also a moderated group. The rec.radio.broadcasting moderator prefers to review all articles himself before posting. Placing rec.radio.broadcasting before rec.radio.info on the Newsgroups line should accomplish this. We will typically abide by the rec.radio.broadcasting moderator's decision whether the article is appropriate for rec.radio.info.

- rec.radio.amateur.moderated is also a moderated group. As the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team manages both rec.radio.amateur.moderated and rec.radio.info, we can manage crossposting and approvals for both newsgroups. The rec.radio.amateur.moderated group does not allow crossposting to other discussion newsgroups, whether moderated or unmoderated. However, we would like to manage rec.radio.info as consistently as possible with how it was done by previous moderators, including the grandfathering of existing regular postings. Therefore, the submitter can choose rec.radio.amateur.moderated or the other unmoderated rec.radio.amateur.* discussion newsgroups for crossposting, but not both.

- Any FAQ or informational posting approved by the rec.answers/news.answers moderation team that is also crossposted to any rec.radio.* newsgroup (besides just rec.radio.info) is also automatically pre-approved for rec.radio.info. See below for more information.

If you post to another moderated group, it may be better to make special arrangements with both moderators before posting by contacting us at our administrivia addresses.

In addition, cross-posts do not take up extra space; modern newsreaders can be configured to show you cross-posted articles only once anyway; not everybody reads rec.radio.info; and rec.radio.info was never meant to reduce the volume of the regular discussion newsgroups. But keep in mind that some of the mail gateways may filter out the informational postings (at request of the subscribers) to keep the load down.

You decide.

-- I have a regular posting with timely information, can I make arrangements to help speed up delivery by posting directly from my site?

Yes, there is! It may take a bit of chatter with the moderator, but we are willing to take responsible people and provide them the means of posting the articles directly from their site. We will try everything we can as we fully realize that DX (distant signal) and astronomical data can be somewhat transitory. We are also willing to allow regular posters of information the same courtesy, even if the information is not as timely.

We refer to this as self-moderation, which is partly based on the model for rec.answers/news.answers. This requires cooperation and good will to be beneficial to the community in the rec.radio.* hierarchy.

If you are currently maintaining (or plan to maintain) a radio-related periodic information posting, you may wish to consider crossposting it to rec.answers/news.answers. Postings that are approved by the rec.answers/news.answers moderators for this treatment are automatically pre-approved for crossposting to rec.radio.info (as the news.answers requirements are far more rigorous than the requirements this newsgroup ever plans to use). For more information about this option, consult the appropriate information articles and posting guidelines in rec.answers/news.answers.

Realize also, that even if your post is not approved for rec.answers/news.answers, it can still be approved for rec.radio.info. The intention is not so much to get every last bit of radio-related information on rec.answers/news.answers, but rather to provide an alternative avenue of approval (as well as grandfather existing maintainers of radio-related information and spare them additional bureaucratic hurdles). Again, crossposting to either rec.radio.info or rec.answers/news.answers, both, or neither, is at the discretion of the poster (subject to the approval of the moderators). You decide what is most appropriate for your article.

Please remember that as an information maintainer, you are not alone. There are many others on the net who maintain and post periodic information postings, using various intermediate-to-advanced features of Usenet (usually via automated tools). Various degrees of technical support and general hand-holding are available from many Usenet veterans. Send us some E-mail describing your needs to our administrative address below, and we'll try to help, or at least refer you to the right knowledgeable individual(s).

-- And Follow-ups?

If the only newsgroup you have specified is rec.radio.info, then the Followup-To: field will always be set to poster. If you do not want this, you must supply a Followup-To line of your own, and we will honor that one, as long as it is a subset of the original Newsgroups line.

If you specify newsgroups to cross-post to, then the Followup-To field will be set to include all the cross-posted groups, excepting rec.radio.info itself. Again, if you do not wish this behavior, supply your own Followup-To line.

We maintain other standards on the various RFC-1036 (news transport) header lines. For example, if the article is appropriate for passing into the Packet Radio Information Network, we encapsulate the Packet Bulletin Identifier (BID) in the Message-ID: news header line indicating the machine of origin as the ampr.org domain:

Message-ID: <$opa.55.1994@ampr.org> |

where the Packet Radio BID, in this example, is `$OPA.55', and it was posted in the year 1994, because some of the Bid numbers are cycled yearly. Hopefully, this can be used as a key to re-introduce the articles for the Packet Radio network. Also, if the article is a repost of an already existing information article in the rec.radio heirarchy, we ensure that the References: header line is linked to that previously posted article. This also helps to tag articles, and may be used for additional filtering if needed.

Since the articles are archived, please use the Summary and Keywords header lines to help one search for your article.

-- Why have I received no reply from you?

We never reject anything in silence, and we make a point of it to answer all our mail. However, E-mail, like a brain cell, can and does get lost, every now and again.

So, if you send us something, and you don't see it appear it rec.radio.info, and you still have not heard from us in reply after say, five days, you can be pretty sure that either your mail never reached us, or that our answer has never reached you. In that case, please try again (We will filter out duplicates).

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms about this article to rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

(Adapted, with permission, from the original article written by Mark Salyzyn, AG4YD, ex-VE6MGS.)

1006. SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 23 OCTOBER 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-22 19:00:15 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <20111022190006.0ED6C33C91@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3996
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 23 OCTOBER 2011

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. PLEASE NOTE: for audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 and 3,695 MHz SSB.

In the news today:

AN ADVANCED LICENSE - JOIN THE DEBATE NEXT SUNDAY

SPECTRUM REGULATOR WHEELS SEEM SLOW EVERYWHERE

NOMINATIONS FOR THE SARL COUNCIL ARE INVITED

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting news items.

AN ADVANCED LICENSE - JOIN THE DEBATE NEXT SUNDAY

According to SARL Forum watchers there has been a heavy debate on the general forum around the proposal to investigate the possibility of an advanced amateur radio license.

The debate started after the SARL posted the audio recording made at the recent Radio Technology in Action symposium held at the National Amateur Radio Centre. In forum postings there are various views, some positive, some indifferent and some totally against. There are also postings making incorrect assumptions such as that the merging of the ZR and ZS licenses had degraded the ZS license.

The reason for ICASA's decision to do away with the ZR license has been explained on several SARL News Bulletins and was the subject of a discussion at this year's annual general meeting. The overriding reason for ICASA's decision was to comply with the CEPT agreement which had been suspended because, since the discontinuation of Morse as a requirement by the ITU for an amateur radio license in the ITU radio regulation, CEPT also changed the condition which then made the ZS license unacceptable due to the Morse requirement for the ZS license.

When South Africa had both the ZR and ZS, under the modified CEPT regulation a ZR license holder would thus qualify for operating in CEPT countries but a ZS license holder would not.

Both the ZR and ZS call sign ranges will remain and both are class A licenses with identical privileges and both are fully CEPT compliant.

You are invited to join the on-the-air debate on Sunday 30 October starting at 19:30.

An Edited version (irrelevant discussion outside the subject removed) of the debate is available on the web from the SARL TODAY news item on the home pages.

Clubs are invited to link their local repeater to the teleconference bridge. Send requests to artoday@sarl.org.za before 28 October.

SPECTRUM REGULATOR WHEELS SEEM SLOW EVERYWHERE

It seems that one thing that spectrum regulators have in common is that their wheels move slowly, often very slowly. At the recent ARRL Executive meeting the ARRL Legal adviser told the meeting that more than three years have passed since the US Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit found that the FCC violated the Administrative Procedure Act when it adopted rules governing broadband over power line (PLT in South Africa) systems. General Counsel Imlay told the EC that the FCC is "long overdue" in releasing a Report and Order to correct the deficiencies in its BPL regulations. According to Imlay, a draft Report and Order is reportedly circulating among the Commissioners, but is not expected to be adopted soon. Imlay also pointed out that FCC is also lax in bringing enforcement action against operating BPL systems that have been shown to be operating in violation of the existing rules. Members of the EC agreed that it is time to request another round of meetings with the FCC Commissioners or their senior staff to press these issues.

The situation is very similar in South Africa where several issues pertaining to PLT and the radio regulations remain unresolved. This week SARL has asked ICASA for an update of when the correction to the regulations affecting amateur radio will be published in the Government Gazette.

NOMINATIONS FOR THE SARL COUNCIL ARE INVITED

This is the first notice for nomination for Councillors for the SARL. Although nominations close on 31 January 2012, it is advisable to make nominations before the onset of the festive season. SARL members in good standing may nominate a member for Council. The nomination must be seconded by another member and include a brief summary of the nominee's amateur radio CV and the acceptance by the nominee that he or she, if elected, is prepared to serve on the SARL Council. It will also be helpful if, in consultation with the nominee, it can be indicated in which capacity the nominee would like to make a contribution to the

SARL and Amateur Radio for example treasurer, secretary, HF, contest or VHF manager to mention a few positions.

Motions for the SARL's 2012 AGM should also be submitted before 31 January 2012.

144 MHz ACROSS THE ATLANTIC OCEAN

A number of Brazilian VHF amateurs have shown great interest in working amateurs on the west coast of South Africa, especially around Cape Town, during Tropo Ducting on 144 MHz. They are: PU1BRA! Werther, PY2ANE Orlando, PY2CAC, Wagner, PY2ZX, Flavio and PY5LF, Luciano. PY1ZV is running a test beacon on 144,070 MHz CW with a horizontally polarized Yagi aimed across the Atlantic Ocean. Naz, ZS1NAZ, has kindly offered to run a Trans-Atlantic CW beacon from his QTH on a frequency of 144,435 MHz radiating 2 500 Watt ERP, and beaming to the east coast of Brazil.

The current 144 MHz two-way world record on Tropo Ducting stands at 4 754 km set up across the Pacific, while 144 MHz signals have been heard in Europe up to 6 600 km on the Ros mode. Contacts have been logged between the east coast of South Africa and Reunion Island on both 144 MHz and 432 MHz, all mode. All this indicate that at least digital or CW contacts on 144 MHz could be possible across the Atlantic Ocean during favourable Hepburn Tropospheric Ducting Forecasts.

Hopefully this will inspire some keen VHF amateurs in the Cape Town area to take up the challenge, and buy or build high gain Yagis for this project. Radio history will be made when a new world record is established on 144 MHz over this sea path of 6 000 km.

SANAE BASE

Gerard de Jong, ZS6KX, is now active from Antarctica as ZS7KX. He is stationed at SANAE 4 Base, Vesleskarvet, Queen Maude Land, Antarctica. He can be heard on 14,175 MHz from 14:00 UTC, weather permitting. He will give a call every half hour until 15:30 UTC. Gerard will be at SANAE 4 until February 2012.

CLUB NEWS

Dates for the ZS6PTA Flea markets for 2012, which will start 08:00 CAT and which be held at the Pretoria Motor Club site in Silverton Pretoria, are as follows: 1) 3 March 2012 2) 2 June 2012 3) 1 September 2012 4) 8 December 2012

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that solar activity is picking up nicely with many sunspots facing the Earth. Sunspot 1 319 has a beta-gamma magnetic field that harbours energy for M-class flares.

For the people doing their own frequency predictions the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 94.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of fun with DX opportunities at varies times of the day.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

30 October - Intechnet on proposed advanced license. Till 31 October - ZL-stations with ZM prefixes and ZL4RUGBY and ZL6RWC on the air. 4/6 November - AMSAT NA Space Symposium in San Jose California. 13 November - Pears HF Competition 12:00 till 16:00 UTC. 19/20 November - SARL Field day competition. 20 November - CW leg of 80 m Club competition. 27 November - Digital competition. 30 November - last day to send logs for Pears HF DX-expedition. 31 January 2012 - Last day for submission of nominations vir Council members and also for submission of motions for the 2012 SALL agm. 31 January 2012 - Closing date for submitting papers for SA AMSAT Space Symposium.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 16:30 UTC on 4 895 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by Gustav, Z6SBWN.

Thank you for listening, 73.
/EX
========== Message Ends ========== To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp.

1007. Re: Why is Markie and his "wife" posting about eating shit on nimbusters.org ?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-23 00:06:37 UTC
From: paulpunce@yahoo.no
Message-ID: <834051a2-0402-4a14-b114-5043f2b9c7b1@s7g2000prh.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3997
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.shortwave,comp.os.os2.advocacy

On Oct 22, 9:19 am, KB9RQZ@kb9rqz.org wrote:
> On Oct 21, 8:01 am, radio rambo <rra...@bigradio.invalid> wrote:> kb9...@yahoo.com
wrote:
> > > well?
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> > >
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> > >
> > We wonder why he's so simple but afterall where there's smake..
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> Indeed. One of Markie's old club buddy's said William (Billy-Boi), Gav
> & Markie live in an incestuous, bizarre world of gay scat sex. They
> said the shit play is a big part of William's health problems. They
> even smeared themselves and snacked out of Billy-Boi's colostomy bag.

Yes they're all sick. Very sick.

1008. Gender Identity Crisis

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-23 04:26:47 UTC
From: Anon <anon@anon>
Message-ID: <53sqj9.s1s.17.1@news.alt.net>
Source record: 3998
Cross-posted to: alt.binaries.pictures.erotica.gaymen.ab8mq,alt.cocksucker.roger-wiseman,alt.radio.scanner.flame_fest,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.cb

Mark suffers from a severe gender identity crisis.
One day he is "straight", the next day he is bisexual, and the next day he can't decide.
Our synopsis? ANY guy who has sex with another male is a homosexual. A faggot.
A Queer. A cocksucker.
And Gav? Mark has "outed" her as being equally as messed up as he is.
One day she is a Jew, another day she is a self-proclaimed Witch, and the day after that she is outside having conversations with rocks. She is, according to Mark, also a fellow bisexual...who'da ever guessed?

This pair of dysfunctional clowns belong together. What is it about the dregs of society traveling in the same circles?
Obviously, losers find fellow losers...

1009. NZART Infoline issue 240

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-23 14:33:27 UTC
From: ZL1AMW <mobilealan@wallace.net.nz>
Message-ID: <A8335C183C0647B5979C9967D01F9355@AlanLaptop>
Source record: 3999
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

NZART Headquarters Infoline Issue 240

23 October 2011
NZART Website: www.nzart.org.nz

In this issue:

· From the desk of HQ

· IARU R 3 newsletter

· News from around the world

· Housekeeping

Debby says…as I have been away in Rarotonga for the past 8 days and am not officially due back to work until the 25th October, this issue of Info-line will be brief. My apologies if I have missed anything urgent that needs to be included in this issue, however I have only briefly scanned the 12 pages of e-mails that I have come back to.

Just a note from FMTAG…there are still a number of branches who have yet to submit their Repeater Trustee details to Doug ZL2TAR for inclusion and update of the next Call Book. Please forward to Doug urgently if your branch has not already done so. These branches are as follows:

03 Western Suburbs, 08 Eastern Southland, 22 Marlborough, 26 Nelson, 27 New Plymouth
30 Otago, 33 Rotorua, 35 South Otago, 48 Wanganui, 49 Westland, 56 Christchurch West
66 Auckland VHF, 67 Kawerau, 69 Kapiti, 85 Mercury Bay, 86 Suburban, 87 South Taranaki
88 Tauranga Emergency, REG Radio Electronics.

Talk soon…Debby ZL2DL

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IARU R 3 newsletter headlines

A Word from the Chairman of IARU Region 3 - Michael Owen VK3KI * 8th Region 3 ARDF Championships- a report from Jack Bramham VK3WWW

The Recent APT APG2012-5 Conference Preparatory Group Meeting
Earthquake in Sikkim
Seanet 2011- a final reminder
The 2012 International YL Meet- a reminder

MS Word version of this newsletter is available at
http://www.iaru-r3.org/news/r3nl-11-10.doc

Acrobat PDF version is also available at
http://www.iaru-r3.org/news/r3nl-11-10.pdf

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News from around the world

Thailand Floods QST, to all Radio Amateurs 15 October 2011

World-wide HF operators are kindly requested to QSY away from 7.060-7.063 at all times due to use by Thailand hams during the massive flood emergency affecting millions of people in North and Central Thailand.

Today, the emergency is on-going with huge areas flooded of from a half to two meters of water, some areas are deeper and a few spotty areas are mostly dry in the region. News estimates say that the flooding will continue for four to six more days, at its height, and subsidence will be over a month. Clean-up and rebuilding may extend more than a year.

The majority of flood radio traffic is being carried on the two meter band by scores of ham volunteers, some of which have had their own homes inundated. It is impossible to estimate how many ham radio operators' shacks are now affected, but the significant flooding covers huge swaths of the region as seen on
http://www.neighborhoodlink.com/Rural_Training_Center-Thailand/pages.

The Thai National Club Station, HS0AC, home of the Radio Amateur Society of Thailand, is threatened tomorrow and is under watch. Timely updates can be seen at http://www.qsl.net/rast in English.
Reported by HS0ZCW, Charly

Charles Harpole k4vud@hotmail.com

Danish Event 2012

Denmark has the Presidency of European Union from 1 January to 30 June 2012.

The call sign 5P12EU will be activated during this period.

Our rules and information about QSL and Award is added as an attached file in this e-mail. Please forward this e-mail to anyone that are interested including award managers in your country. Any questions, comments etc. must be send to info@5p12eu.dk

Vy 73 de OZ0J / 5Q2T
Jørgen

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>From NZART Intruder Watch Officer

With the high Solar activity - more and more intruders are becoming prevalent: We definitely need your support to identify and report intruders.

Audio samples assist along with bearings if possible.

If we do not act in a coordinated manner, we could see our bands being taken over by many intruders.
Complacency is not an option.
ZL1GWE

FMTAG NOTES FOR HQ INFOLINE – OCTOBER 23rd 2011

PROPOSALS

The Manawatu ARC, Branch 20, has applied for a 4575 APRS Digipeater at Mataroa, located at TOPO50 BK35 346016, with a transmit and receive frequency of 144.575 MHz.

ZL3BCC has applied for a simplex VOIP station at Innes Road, Christchurch, located at TOPO50 BX24 709.79 838.37. The transmit and receive frequency will be 432.700 MHz, in accordance with the bandplan. An engineering investigation, in accordance with MED PIB38, confirms that there will be no interference to other stations.

FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS TO COUNCIL.

None at this time.

COMMENTS AND APPLICATIONS

Please send your comments and suggestions on the above matters, and on any other FMTAG matters, by e-mail to: fmtag@nzart.org.nz

Applications for repeaters, beacons, digipeaters, point-to-point links, and so on, should be made on the latest version of FMTAG Form 10. The latest versions of FMTAG Form 10, and the explanatory Form 10A, are available on the NZART web site:

http://www.nzart.org.nz/fmtag/index.html

Completed forms should be sent by e-mail to fmtag@nzart.org.nz

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Housekeeping

1.. Break-In-Closing Date Reminder: Copy for the Nov/December issue of Break-In-closes on 10 November 2011.
2.. Copy for Break-In: Copy is welcome in most electronic formats but word.doc files are preferred. Photos and other graphics should be send as separate discrete files (*.jpg preferred); not as embedded pix in the body of the text. Please ensure that suitable descriptive captions/legends are included with your copy.
All received copy will be acknowledged to confirm receipt.
Thank you for your cooperation.

John Walker ZL3IB Editor.
3.. Break-In: Early receipt of copy is much appreciated
4.. Break-In-AREC Column: The close-of-copy date is the 03 November 2011 for articles for publication in the AREC COLUMN OF BREAK-IN. Photos, if available, to be on a separate floppy or CD (with captions), posted DIRECTLY TO US. Use the Call Book address. All other material can go to e-mail:
zl3qr@nzart.org.nz or zl3ov@nzart.org.nz
5.. The ARRL and WIA Weekly News
6.. Subscribe TO/FROM Infoline
Next NZART Official Broadcast is on SUNDAY 30th October 2011 and Next HQ-Infoline e-mailed on SUNDAY 6th November 2011.

1010. Re: Gender Identity Crisis

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-23 17:54:07 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <69e243d6-3bf7-4646-b7d9-ef0dc1924ad5@x20g2000vbl.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4000
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner.flame_fest,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.cb

On Oct 23, 12:26 am, "Anon" <anon@anon> wrote:
> Mark suffers from a severe gender identity crisis.
> One day he is "straight", the next day he is bisexual, and the next day he
> can't decide.

wrong

1011. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-23 18:06:11 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <fac8f43a-0689-439d-b006-cdf9feed0d55@f36g2000vbm.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4051
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner.flame_fest,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.cb

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On Oct 23, 1:54 pm, kb9rqz <m...@kb9rqz.com> wrote:
> On Oct 23, 12:26 am, "Anon" <anon@anon> wrote:
>
> > Mark suffers from a severe gender identity crisis.
> > One day he is "straight", the next day he is bisexual, and the next day he
> > can't decide.
>
> wrong
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1012. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-23 18:07:21 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <beb485fb-e3f0-4826-89bd-4bac7d42428e@1g2000vbx.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4052
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.shortwave,comp.os.os2.advocacy

On Oct 22, 8:06 pm, paulpu...@yahoo.no wrote:
> On
Yes they're all sick. Very sick.

1013. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1033

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-23 18:53:34 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <309928.10679.qm@smtp111.sbc.mail.mud.yahoo.com>
Source record: 4053
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1033
Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 1033

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Bulletin No. 1033
BID: $OPDX.1033
October 24, 2011
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, K1XN & GoList, K1XM, NC1L, NJ1Q & ARRL DX, KA2AEV, K3IRV, KD3CQ, N3SL, NG3K & ADXO, W3UR & The Daily DX, N4AA & QRZ DX, K6JAT, KH6BZF, W6NV, AC7DX, K8GI, K8YSE, KU8E, W8GEX (60m News), N9GL, N0JK, AT International, DL1SBF, DL1ZU, DK8JB & The DX News Letter, DxCoffee.com, DX-World.Net, EA5RM, ES1CW, F5NQL, F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX, G3ZVW, I1HYW, I1JQJ/IK1ADH & 425 DX News, OZ6OM & 50 MHz DX News, Pete's-DX-Newsdesk, RSGB IOTA Web Site, VA3RJ & ICPO, VHF-DX-Portal (MMMonVHF), VE3DZ and VK4FW for the following DX information.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 16th-October, through Sunday, 23rd-October there were 234 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3D2/r, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 3X, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A3, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FO/m, FP, FR, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, H40, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T33, T5, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VK9C, VP2E, VP2M, VP2V, VP8, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZK2, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3D2R, ROTUMA. The Rotuma High School Amateur Radio Station, 3D2RI, was heard active again this past week on 20/15 meters SSB. Their QSL Manager

Stan, KH6CG, reports on QRZ.com (under 3D2RI): "Dennis, who is 16 years old, reports that his operating group will be active on Tuesdays and Thursdays. His operating buddy will be a YL named Maggie. I spoke with Maggie today and she is a very well spoken young lady and is anxious to learn all about Ham radio and working DX. Joshua, who is 15 years old, will be active with his operating group on Wednesdays and Fridays. His operating partner will be a YL named Lesina. The school may allow operations on the weekends as well..... Look for 3D2RI starting around 0400z ON 15m SSB, on or near 21255 kHz until propagation fades, then they will QSY to 20m SSB on 14253 kHz (+/- QRM) until around 0600z when it is time for the students to head home. Hopefully they will be able to expand hours and add other bands and modes." Read more details and see some pictures on QRZ.com.

3XY, GUINEA. The 3XY1D team is now active until November 1st. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. As of 0738z, October 23rd, the 3XY1D operation has made 16984/QSOs (3316/SSB, 13443/CW, 77/PSK and 148/RTTY). Online logs are available at:
http://www.dl7df.com/3xy1d/index.html
QSL via DL7DF, direct or by the Bureau.

4L, GEORGIA. Operator Gia, 4L4WW, will be active as 4L0A from Obcha (Western Georgia) during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (40m)/High-Power entry. QSL via LoTW or via EA7FTR. He states, "PLEASE do not send QSL cards direct to him".

60M ACTIVITIES. The "60m DX Newsletter" reports that the following were recently on 60 meters: 3D2R, 9K2YM, A92IO, CU3AK, G0HNW, I2VRN, KH7HBK, LA9RY, OM1II, OZ1BCG, V47JA, VP9GE and YJ0VK. What to look for in the coming weeks: PJ7/K4UWH, PJ7/W4BUW and ZK2V.

6V, SENEGAL. Just a reminder that Seb, F8IJV, will once again be active as 6V7Q from Le Calao resort in Senegal between October 22nd and November 11th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters, operating mainly on SSB, possibly some Digital and CW too. He plans to take an Acom 1011 amplifier with him this time. Seb will also be active during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th). QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. Log will be uploaded to LoTW.

6O, SOMALIA. Darko, J28AA/E70A, will be active as 6O0DX from Somalia between November 21-30th. He usually operates on CW, SSB and RTTY, and on 80-10 meters. QSL via K2PF or E77E.

6Y, JAMAICA. Paul, K1XM, will be active as 6Y9X from Jamaica (NA-097, WLOTA 0214) and plans to be in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry (possibly Assisted too, if there is a reliable InterNet connection). He will be there between October 25-30st. Activity outside the contest will be mostly CW, depending on what antenna repairs are needed and how long they take to fix. QSL via KQ1F.

8Q, MALDIVES. Members of the Russian "Ural Contest Group" (UCG) will be active as 8Q7DV during both the CQWW DX Contests (CW and SSB) as follows:

* Operator Vadim, R9DX, will operate the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Single-Op entry. Activity outside of the contest will be on 160-6 meters using a Elecraft K3, Acom 2000 and vertical antennas.
* Operators Vadim/R9DX, Igor/UA9CDC, Vitaly/RN4WA, Igor/RA9CMO and Sergei/UA9CGA will operate during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Multi-Op entry.
Activity outside of both contests will be mainly on 160/80 meters. However, they also plan to be active on 30/17/12/6 meters bands. QSL both operations via R9DX (ex-UA9CLB). Take a look at their previous operations at: http://radio-8q7dv.narod.ru

9H, MALTA. John, ZB2JK, will be active as 9H3JK from Malta (EU-023) between now and October 25th. His bands and modes of activity were not provided, but he will be active mainly portable using a YAESU FT-857 and an ATAS 120 (Automatic Tuning Antenna) into a mobile antenna. QSL via ZB2JK direct.

9V, SINGAPORE. Martin, F8UKP, a F6KOP member, will be working in Singapore (AS-019) for the next three years and will be active as 9V1RM. Activity will be limited to his spare time only. Operations will be on 40-10 meters using CW, SSB and PSK. Currently he is using a skyloop antenna using the maximum legal power in 9V-land (100 watts). He has the permission to set up a hexbeam antenna in the near future. QSL via LoTW or direct to the address on QRZ.com. There is a possibility to QSL by the Bureau in the future (Information will be given in due time).

AH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Operators Kuniyoshi/7L1FPU (W1FPU), Moto/W1NDE, Danilo/AH0BM, Hajime/AH0BR, Naoyuki/NA8O, Makoto/W3FO and Hiroyuki/KW2X will be active as AH0BT during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Multi-2 entry. The team will try to be active on 160/17/12 meters after the contest (November 1-2nd). QSL via 7L1FPU, by the Bureau or direct (w/SAE and 2 USDs) to: Kuniyoshi NAKADA, PMR9292, 3-23-3, Minami-Oi, Shinagawa-ku, Tokyo, 140-0013, JAPAN.

AH2, GUAM. Members of the Guam Contest Club will be active as AH2R during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Multi-Single entry. Operators mentioned are: Toshinobu/JI3ERV, Mikiawa/JR7OMD, Ohta/JO1DFG, Miyazawa/JP7DKQ and Sato/JH7QXJ. QSL via JH7QXJ. ADDED NOTE: They suggest to listen to 7075-7100 kHz. QSL via JH7QXJ.

B3, CHINA. Members of the TianJin Contest Club (BY3CQ) and Ben/DL8UI will be active as B3C during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th). QSL via BA4EG.

C37, ANDORRA. An international team (and members of "Tifariti Gang") will take part in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as C37N from the URA official station located at Naturlandia, the Thematic Pyrenee mountains Ecologic Park. Operators mentioned are: Antonio/EA5RM (Team Leader), Joan/C31US, Salvador/C31CT, Belisario/C31KC, Josep/C31JM, Michel/C31MO, Marti/C31VM, Juan/EA1CJ, Carlos/EA1DVY, Alberto/EA1SA, Roberto/EA2RY, Manuel/EA7AJR, Vincent/F4BKV, Flo/F5CWU, Fabrizio/IN3ZNR, Jun/JH4RHF, Valery/RG8K, Dimitri/UY7CW/EA4CWW and Mike/UA9KGH. QSL C37N via

EA4URE: Spanish Amateur Radio Uni&#65533;n, P.O.Box: 220, E-28080 Madrid, Spain.
For more details and an online log, see: http://www.dxfriends.com/c37n

C5, THE GAMBIA. By the time you read this, the Czech-Slovak team (with 12 operators) should be active as C50C until November 1st, and again between November 20-28th. Their main aim is to participate in both parts of the CQWW DX Contests (SSB and CW) under the callsign C5A. QSL via Brani, OM2FY. The complete details can be found at: http://www.om0c.com

C6, BAHAMAS. Members of "Team Vertical" will be active as C6AAW from North Palmetto Point, Eleuthera, Bahamas, during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Multi-Multi entry. QSL via WA4WTG. Operators mentioned are Gene/KB7Q, Fredrick/KE7X, Walter/N6XG, Jeffrey/N6XR, Mike/WA6O and Ken/K2KW. Operators will be there between November 18-28th. They will use their personal C6A callsigns outside of the contest. QSL via the operator's instructions.

DXCC NEWS (Special "paper application offer" procedure for ST0R QSLs -- please read carefully). Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports: "The cards for the 2011 ST0R operation from the new DXCC entity of South Sudan are now being received by DXers around the world. With next year's publishing deadline for 2011 results fast approaching on 31 December, 2011, we will offer a special, reduced-price option for those DXCC participants who have already made at least one application during 2011.
* You MUST have already made a submission in the 2011 calendar year via either LoTW or via a traditional, paper application. If you have made an application already in 2011, then you may submit a paper ST0R QSL (no other cards, just the ST0R South Sudan card) following these rules:

* Enclose 5.00 USDs (check, money order, CC#, or cash at your risk) for USA amateurs;
* Enclose 6.00 USDs (check, money order, CC#, or cash at your risk) for non-USA amateurs;
* Enclose an SASE for the return of the ST0R card;
* This special submission is ONLY for the ST0R card;
* If ANY other card(s) are included this will be considered a full submission subject to full fees, even if you already submitted in 2011;
* These submission conditions apply ONLY if you have already made a submission in 2011; and
* This offer DOES NOT apply if you have not yet made your 2011 submission. All DXCC fees are in effect as you can include this card with your regular submission;

* This special offer expires on December 31, 2011, and is NOT extended into 2012."

EI8, IRELAND. Olivier, ON4EI, will be active as EI8GQB from Fethard between October 24-31st. Activity will be on 160-10 meters. He plans to be in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a SO2R (Single-Op/2-Radio) entry, using 5 portable antennas (check out QRZ.com). QSL

via ON4EI by the Bureau.

EY, TAJIKISTAN (Update). Nodir, EY8MM, from Dushanbe, announced that he will also be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th), as well as the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th), as a Single-Op/ Single-Band (TBD) entry. QSL K1BV via direct, by the Bureau or LoTW. Check out his home page at: http://www.ey8mm.com

GJ, JERSEY. Members of the Jersey Contest Group will be active as GJ2A from Jersey Island (EU-013) during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as Multi-Single entry. QSL via LoTW, or direct to GJ3DVC.

IOTA NEWS.............
AS-191. Operators Abdul/7Z1CQ, Al/7Z1AQ, Suli/7Z1SJ, Ali/HZ1BT, Abdul/ HZ1BW, Abdul/HZ1DG, Daher/HZ1DS, Hani/HZ1HN, Mohamad/HZ1MD, Ali/HZ1TT, Nhaw/HZ1TL and HZ2TT will be active as 7Z7AA from Jabal Al Lith, Saudi Arabia, between November 17-25th. Details of activity were not provided, but watch the IOTA frequencies. This is a rare IOTA. QSL via 7Z1CQ.

EU-058. If you worked F/I2GPT this past Saturday, activity was from Sainte Marguerite Island for a one day operation. The operators were Vittorio/I2GPT, Roberto/IK2PGM, Antonello/IT9YVO, Paolo/ IW2HKW, Giorgio/IZ2BKP, Mauro/IZ2FLX and Marco/IZ2QCP. The group planned to have two stations on the air between 0700-1600z. QSL via I2GPT, direct or by the Bureau (request by E-mail to i2gpt.@iyahoo.com).

SA-040. Paco, EA7ATX, will be active as HK1/EA7ATX from Tierrabomba Island (WLOTA 0296, ARLHS COL-052), Colombia, between November 17-20th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters SSB only. Paco has a survey available (for band needs) on the following Web page at: http://sa040.blogspot.com
QSL via his home callsign. An online log will be available via his Web page or from <http://www.clublog.org/>.

SA-088. A team of operators are being organized by Fabio, PP5BZ, to activate Santana de Fora Island during early February 2012. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW, SSB and possibly RTTY. More details are forthcoming.

J2, DJIBOUTI. Freddy, F5IRO, who has been active as J28RO since July 2010, is planning to be active in the upcoming CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Single-Op entry. He is expected to stay here until July 2012. His normal activity will be on the HF bands using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. His QSL Manager is F8DFP. QSL direct (w/SAE + valid IRC • PLEASE NO MONEY AT ALL), or by the French REF-Union Bureau. The direct cards without the above mentioned will be answered by the Bureau. For updates and more info, visit his Blog at: http://j28ro.blogspot.com

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (October 24-30th)....
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HN - High Normal Unsettled K� 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K� 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K� 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K� 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K�9 100-400

LX, LUXEMBOURG. Philippe/LX2A will be active as LX7I during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via LX2A. Visit the LX2A Web page at: http://www.lx2a.com

OH0, ALAND ISLAND. Operator Tomi, OH6EI, will once again be active as OH0Z during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/ All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via W0MM.

PJ'S ACTIVE, LISTEN CAREFULLY. There are a few PJs stations that will be in the contest next weekend with callsign very similar (PJ2T, PJ4T and PJ6T). PLEASE LISTEN CAREFULLY WHEN LOGGING YOUR QSO.

PJ4, BONAIRE (Contest Station Available). Jeff, KU8E, member of the PJ4A Team, announced that there is a new Web site up and running for the "Radio House" on Bonaire (SA-006, WLOTA L 1279). There are many "prime" contest weekends open for the rest of this year and in 2012. Currently, there are 3 world records that have been set from this location. Check it out at: http://www.pj4g.com
Look for PJ4T in CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th), and in a couple of weeks later PJ4A in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th).

PJ4, BONAIRE. Members of "Team Tango" will be active as PJ4T from Bonaire (SA-006, WLOTA L 1279) during the CQWW SSB DX Contest (October 29-30th). The team will be lead by Dale, N3BNA. The other Team Tango operators include Luc/LU1FAM, Roberto/LU2FA, Diego/LU8ADX, Katsuhiro/JH5GHM/1 and Noah/K2NG. Some of the operators will be active before and after the contest between October 24th and November 2nd. QSL PJ4T via KA2AEV direct only. QSL PJ4/N3BNA via KA2AEV. QSL via PJ4/LU1FAM via LU2FE. All others listen for QSL instructions.

PJ5, SABA AND ST. EUSTATIUS (Update). Operators Wlodek/SP6EQZ and Janusz/ SP6IXF will once again be active as PJ5/SP6EQZ (CW only) and PJ5/SP6IXF (SSB and RTTY); from St. Eustatius (NA-145) between October 20th and November 3rd. They will be active exactly from the same QTH (Grid Loc. FK87ML) as last time. Activity will be on all HF bands, 160-10 meters

using CW, SSB and RTTY, running two high power stations using wire antennas, verticals and a Spiderbeam. Also, look for Janusz to participate in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as PJ5/SO6X. QSL via their home callsigns, direct or by the Bureau. Logs will be uploaded to <http://www.clublog.org/> during the DXpedition. The DXpedition's Web site is now available at: http://pj5-2011.dxing.pl

PJ6, SABA ISLAND. Members of the Prairie DX Group will be active as PJ6T from Saba Island (NA-145) between October 26th and November 1st. Activity will be on 160-10 meters, including the 30/17/12 meter bands, using CW, SSB and RTTY. They will have 2 stations operating simultaneously. The group will also be an entry in the upcoming CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th). Operators mentioned are Greg/N9GL, Todd/W9YK, Rick/KF4ZZ, Kay/KB9QYM, Gehl/KB9DVC and Bruce/K5WBM. QSL via LoTW or N9PD direct.

PJ7, SINT MAARTEN (Update to OPDX.998/Reminder). Operators Jan/DJ8NK, Paul/F6EXV, Kan/JA1BK and Rich/K2WR will be active from Sint Maarten (NA-105) between October 26th and November 9th. Callsigns to be used are PJ7J, PJ7NK and PJ7X. Look for PJ7X to be active during the upcoming CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Multi-Single entry. Outside of the contest, look for PJ7J to be on 80/75 meters, PJ7NK on the Digital modes, and PJ7X on other bands and modes. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 3512, 7015, 10105, 14028, 18073, 21028, 24895 and 28028 kHz
SSB - 3793, 7092, 14192, 18135, 21292, 24935 and 28492 kHz
PSK - 3588, 7038, 10138, 14078, 18098, 21078, 24918 and 28078 kHz
RTTY - 3582, 7042, 10142, 14088, 18102, 21088, 24922 and 28088 kHz

QSL PJ7J via JA1BK, PJ7NK via DJ8NK, PJ8X via F6EXV. For more details, check the following Web pages at: http://www.pj7-2011.org
http://www.f6exv.org
QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated October 22nd)

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1B/DH8WLA via DH8WLA ED5RKB via EA5RKB PJ2/K8LEE via K8LEE
3DA0GF via ZS6AYU (direct) EG5VOR via EA5KB PJ7/DB4BJ via DB4BJ
3W2BB via XW2A FY5LH via F5KDR PY2ZZZ via OZ1HHH
3XY1D via DL7DF HB0/DF5MA via DF5MA TX3T via RZ3EC
4C1JPG via XE1GZU HI8AAX via EA5GL TX7M via RZ3EC
5B4PRC/P via 5B4AHO HO1X via DK2KT UA9CUA via W3HNK
5T0JL via ON8RA KH7Y via EA5GL (new Manager) UN9GD via DL8KAC
7P8CC via EI7CC KL7/SP5EWX via SP5EWX VK6ANC via VK6IR
9H3IT via IK4ALM LA/DL3YDX via DL3YDX VK9CX via DL7AFS
C5YK via ON7YK LA/DL7URH via DL7URH ZA1E via I2MQP
C21UF via LA5UF LU1IV via W3HNK ZD8O via OH0XX
DA35HEB via DL4NWM NL8F via K8NA
DL/JO2SLZ via JO2SLZ OQ5A via ON4IG

NOT THE QSL MANAGER FOR 3D2EG. Lilah, KE6EHD, has been receiving several direct QSL requests for a RTTY operation by 3D2EG during the contest on September 25, 2011. However, KE6EHD is NOT the QSL Manager for that or any other DX operation. The correct QSL route is via K3IRV, direct or by the Bureau. The operator was PY5EG, one of the members of the 3D2R team.

ST0R QSL AND LOTW STATUS. Antonio, EA5RM, informs OPDX: "As you may know, the distribution of ST0R QSL cards has begun. The Republic of South Sudan was recently added to the DXCC entities list, so each QSO confirmed by our manager will be the confirmation of a new one. Because of this, the DXCC Desk has expressed the concern that they may be overwhelmed by thousands of applications to credit the new entity. Consequently, we have decided to make an exception, and upload to the LOTW all the individual donor QSOs and OQRS ones, by 1st November. ST0R TEAM"

U.S. POSTAGE TO INCREASE. It was announced this past week that the price of the first-class stamp will go to 45 cents starting on January 22nd, 2012 (the first increase in more than two years). The cost to mail a postcard will go up three cents to 32 cents, letters to Canada or Mexico will increase five cents to 85 cents, and letters to other international locations will increase seven cents to 1.05 USDs. Reason given for the increase: "The Postal Service is facing a financial crisis because mail volumes have declined as more people use electronic mail or the services of private sector competitors such as FedEx and United Parcel Service. For more info, go to:

http://about.usps.com/news/national-releases/2011/pr11_factsht_pricechng_1018.pdf

VP9/N0JK QSL STATUS. Jon, N0JK, reports to OPDX, "I have just received new QSL card stock and have answered all QSL requests received for the July 2011 VP9/N0JK 6 meter activity. We moved several times during the summer and my permanent address for QSL requests now is: Jon Jones, 5212 Eisenhower Place, Lawrence, KS 66049.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 5V7CC, 9H1SP, BD4CQ, BD4FM, BX5AA, EA1DR, EA5AR, EA9IE, FG5FR, HB9LCW, HI3A, J39BS, JN1GTG, JW5X, K7P, KH6MB, LN3Z, LU5FZ, MM0AMW, NL7G, OH1XT, OK6DJ, PJ4LS, PY1KN, R0/KE5JA, RA0FU, RA1QD, RD3BZ, RI1ANC, SM4OTI, SV9/GM3YOR, UA3AP, UT7UJ, VK6HD, VK7ZE, YN2GA, YO3JF, YO9HP and Z21BB

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 8P9AA, 9H5BZ, 9A2N, A61ZX, C91KHN, CN8QY/p, CU2AF, DU1GM, HI8SAR, HL3ERJ, HS0ZCW, KL7RRC, MD0CCE, MD9Y, RI1ANC, ST0R, ST2AR, SV1CQN, VP2MNK, YL2BJ, ZK2A and ZK2AB

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 3C9B, 3C0C, 3W1M, 4K9W, 4K0W, 5K8T, 5Z4ES, 6Y5/WE9V, 7Z1HL, 9Y4W, A25KDJ, AP2TN, C5A, CN2BC, CN2SD, J3A, HI7/EA7LS, HK3JJH, KH7AR, OX2A, OX3XR, P40Y, P49Y, PJ2/K2NV, TO5RZ, VK9RR, VP2MDG, VP2V/K6VVA, XE2/K6PT, XV9DX, XX9TLX, YI9VCQ and ZP6/N3BNA

SILENT KEY. It has been reported that Dudley, Z22JE, became a Silent Key (SK) on October 10th. Dudley was Vice President of the Zimbabwe

Amateur Radio Society (ZARS). OPDX and its reader would like to send out our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Z22JE.

T2, TUVALU (T2T Press Press). Bill, VK4FW, sent out the following press release on October 21st: "The Online QSL Request Service (OQRS) for the 3D2T and T2T is set up for people to use, BUT it is extremely important for everyone to refrain from using it before I return home on the 11th December 2011, so that the mailbox does not become full and E-mails start bouncing. The URL for the online OQRS is <www.vk4fw.com/oqrs.php>. The online log for T2T is also set up and ready to go. There will be no online log available at this stage for 3D2T."

T32, CHRISTMAS ISLAND. With only a few days to go, the Five Star DXers Association (FSDXA) group continues to be very active as T32C from Kiritimati (Christmas Island) until October 26th. As of 0712z, October 23rd, the T32C operation has made 203360/QSOs with 47422 Unique Callsigns (83670/SSB, 98479/CW, 686/PSK, 18805/RTTY and 1713/FM). Logs will be uploaded to ClubLog <www.clublog.org/charts/?c&#65533;2C&a&#65533;bed> on a daily basis, and any news posted will be on the T32C website. For more details/ updates, visit their Web page at: http://www.t32c.com
ADDED NOTES:
* LEADERBOARD SCORING AT T32C: Michael/G7VJR and Marios/5B4WN from the "Club Log" web page <http://www.clublog.org> report the following:
"During the T32C expedition, a large number of stations have succeeded in working the maximum number of slots possible, or share the same number of slots as a large number of other stations. Using the 'first past the post' scoring system, those who worked these slots first are ranked highest. Duplicates count negatively.
This scoring system has been manipulated by a small number of stations operating illegally. They have determined that by using someone else's callsign and working T32C, they can create duplicates and force that callsign down the leaderboard.
Ranking changes -- In response to this problem, the scoring system for the T32C is changing to a ranking that does not penalize duplicate QSOs. This removes the loophole that is being exploited. This change will be made live on 19th October, with the agreement of the T32C expedition team, to improve the fairness of the scoring."

* OCTOBER 21ST WEB PAGE RELEASE: "The QSO count is currently at 188.75k with 49% CW, 41% SSB and 9% RTTY. As you might guess we are working hard to exceed 200k.
During the day (local time) we are running a 6m beacon on 50.102 MHz. If you hear the beacon please put a note on the cluster and we will break the beacon and try for QSOs. So far we have had 99 six meter QSOs, mainly with the West Coast USA and Hawaii. The beacon has been heard in Japan and South America. We have also completed a number of 6m EME QSOs.
With just a few days to go to the end of the DXpedition, we are beginning to plan the station close down. There will be a phased shut down beginning at 1600z on Monday 24th October, with the last station closing by 0100z on Tuesday 25th. We will keep the 'high rate' stations running as long as possible.

If you look at the on line log and QSOs that were previously in there appear to be missing, don't despair, query the log a little later, they will be there." UPDATED NOTE: The T32C operation has surpassed the 200k QSOs mark as of press time making the Christmas Island, Eastern Kiribati, DXpedition the highest total for a DXpedition previously held by the VP6DX DXpedition.

T4, CUBA. Operators Luis/CO6LP, Orelvis/CO6LC, Yordany/CM6YAC, Jose/CO6EC, Carlos/CO6CAC and Edor/CO7PH will be active as T46A during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Multi-?e entry. QSL via CO6LC.

T6, AFGHANISTAN (Update). Les, WB8LES, who is active as T6LB from FOB (Forward Operation Base) Shank, Loghar Province, states that he monitors 14315 kHz every day from 1230-1430z. Les will be posting updates on QRZ.com. He is expected to be there until November 7th. QSL via WB8LES.

TK, CORSICA. Sal, IK8UND, will be active as TK5KP during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power/(possibly Assisted mode) entry. QSL via TK5EP. He states that he will be active prior to the contest on CW and RTTY.

TL, CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC. Remember to look for Rudi, DK7PE, to be active as TL0CW from Bangui, CAR, on a "one-man DXpedition" between October 26th and November 3rd. He states that CAR is not a real tourist place and the accommodations are very expensive (see details on QRZ.com). Activity will have an emphasis on 160/80 meters CW. QSL via DK7PE. For more details and updates, visit Rudi's Web page at: http://www.rooody.de

TN, CONGO. It has been announced that an operation from Camp Brazzaville in the Congo will take place sometime in 2012. No other details were provided at this time. Look for more details to be forthcoming soon.

TU, IVORY COAST. Just a reminder that an Italian team consisting of Alfeo/I1HJT, Silvano/I2YSB, Vinicio/IK2CIO, Angelo/IK2CKR, Marcello/ IK2DIA, Stefano/IK2HKT and Angelo/IK2RZP will be active as TU2T from the Ivory Coast this week between October 27th and November 11th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1823, 3505, 7005, 10106, 14025, 18075, 21025, 24895 and 28025 kHz
SSB - 3780, 7056/7180, 14195, 18145, 21295, 24945 and 28495 kHz
RTTY - 10140, 14080, 18104, 21080, 24902 and 2808 kHz
6m - 50105 kHz - CW, SSB and Beacon
Pilot station will be Art, IK7JWY. QSL via I2YSB, direct (2 USDs Europe, 3 USDs outside Europe and SAE [NO IRCs and stamps) or via the OQRS. QSL via the Bureau to IK2CIO. For more details and an online log, visit the TU2T Web page at: http://www.i2ysb.com/joomla5
Also, join the TU2T forum at:
http://www.hamradioweb.org/forums/forumdisplay.php?fb

TX5, MARQUESAS ISLANDS (Update). The international team of operators are now active as TX7M from Hatiheu, Nuku Hiva (OC-027) until November 1st. They plan to be active on 160-10 meters (including 30/17/12m) using CW, SSB and RTTY, with 4 stations on at the same time on different bands

and modes. As of 0410z, October 23rd, the TX7M operation has made 28439/ QSOs with 10958 Unique Callsigns (13109/SSB and 15330/CW). For more details, visit the TX7M Web page at: http://www.tx7m.com

V2, ANTIGUA (NA-100). A team of operators will once again activate the V26B super station at Gunthroppes, during the CQ WW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Multi-Single entry. Activity will be on all bands. Please QSL V26B direct to KA2AEV or LoTW. Visit Team Antigua's Web page at: http://www.team-antigua.com

V5, NAMIBIA. Martin, DL1ZU, will be active as V5/DL1ZU between December 21st and January 13th (2012). During his trip through the Caprivi strip, Martun will use an IC-706 with a vertical antenna and dipoles. In Windhoek, he will use a 3 element beam. QSL is "OK" via his home callsign by the Bureau.

V6, MICRONESIA. John, KH6DLK, will be working on Ulithi Atoll (OC-078) and is expected to be active as V63JB during his free time. Length of stay was not provided or plans of operations. QSL via KH6DLK (see QRZ.com). Domestic QSL must be accompanied with a SASE and International QSL must be accompanied with SAE plus IRCs or Greenbacks. No e-mail QSL, No Twitter, and No facebook please.

VE2, CANADA (Zone 2). Operator Yuri, VE3DZ, will once again be active as VE2IM from Sept-Iles, QC (Zone 2), during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. Yuri informs OPDX that he will be there between October 25th and November 2nd. Activity before and after the contest will be on CW, SSB and RTTY, and the 30/17/12 meter bands. QSL via VE3DZ, direct or by the Bureau.

VK0M, MACQUARIE ISLAND. Kevin, VK0KEV, reports this week from Macquarie Island (AN-005): "I am approaching my last weeks on Macquarie Island. In this time I would like to give as many people as possible that 'new one'. Unfortunately, there are many operators who are unaware of how to behave in a pile up and behave so badly other amateurs lose the contact opportu- nity. If you call incessantly, or call when another station or callsign is being requested you will receive a zero by zero report. Hopefully, this improves the opportunity of a contact for the polite and sometimes less strong stations. Thanks to the many skilled and polite operators who have taken the effort and time to make contact." QSL via JE1LET direct only (see QRZ.com).

VP2, MONTSERRAT. Operators Ron/N0AT (VP2MTA), Bill/W0OR (VP2MOR), Vlad/ N0STL (VP2MTL) and Tom/K3WT (VP2MWT) will be active from Montserrat (NA-103, WLOTA 1475) during the end of November and early December for the contest season. Activity will include the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) and the ARRL 160 Meter Contest (December 2-4th) using the callsign VP2MWG. QSL voa N0AT.

W3, UNITED STATES (Haunted LH Op!). Look for Dan, KD3CQ, to activate the special event station W3H (Whiskey 3 Haunted) on October 31st, from Maryland's Lighthouses -- Point Lookout (ARLHS USA-628), listed as one

of the USA haunted lighthouses, along with Point Lookout Light (ARLHS USA-1409), and possibly Solomon's Lump (ARLHS USA-767), if visible. Point Lookout was a "Union Prisoner of War Camp" set up to hold Confederate prisoners after the "1863 Battle of Gettysburg"; the lighthouse was used as the Infirmary. Activation will start at 1300z and end at 1345z, on 7270 kHZ +/-, then 14270 kHz +/- and possibly 18150 kHz +/-. Please QSL direct only (no eQSL) to KD3CQ (QRZ.com address) w/SASE (DX SAE w/1 USD or IRC).

WAP'S TOP TEN LIST. Gianni, I1HYW, informs OPDX that the Worldwide Antarctic Program (WAP) is pleased to announce their "Top Ten List" (updated as of Oct.16th) for the "WAP's 2011 TOP of the Honor Roll" (HR) for both the WADA and WACA Antarctic Awards:

WADA (Worked Antarctic Directory Award) -- K4MZU-178 Bases, GM3ITN-124 Bases, VE7IG-122 Bases, I1HYW-121 Bases, VE3XN-120 Bases, F6ELE-115 Bases, IK1GPG-113 Bases and I2YDX-101 Bases. Top HR is achievable when reaching 100 different Antarctic/Sub-Antarctic Settlements (Bases, Huts, Camps) referenced on WAP Directory. So far, 160 WAP-WADA Awards have been issued

WACA (Worked Antarctic Callsigns Award) -- VE7IG-302 Calls, VE3XN-266 Calls, I1HYW-244 Calls, IK1GPG-234 Calls, OM3JW-230 Calls, I2YDX-210 Calls and OE3SGA-202 Calls. So far, 142 WAP-WACA Awards have been issued.

The complete list of issued awards, can be seen at the WAP Web site. The WAP-WACA Awards scores at:
http://www.waponline.it/WapAwards/WAPWACAAwardScores/tabid/71/Default.aspx
WAP WADA Awards scores at:
http://www.waponline.it/WapAwards/WAPWADAAwardScores/tabid/93/Default.aspx

Just to remind the chasers that HRs and Top HRs consist of a personalized ceramic hand crafted plate, showing the Antarctic Continent. Those plates are made at the Ceramic School of the city of Mondov-Italy. Also, let's not
forget that the next "9th Antarctic Activity Week" (AAW) takes place between February 20-26th, 2012. Join them! More details are available on the WAP Web site at: http://www.waponline.it

XV, VIETNAM. Retu, OH4MDY (OX3RZ/XU7MDY/XV2MDY), will once again be active as XV2RZ from Southeast Vietnam between November 1st and December 12th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using the "normal modes" (CW and SSB). QSL only direct via OH4MDY with a SASE and 2 USDs. His log will be available online at: http://www.clublog.org

Z3, MACEDONIA. Members of the Radio Club "Nikola Tesla" (Z37M) will be active as Z37M during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Multi-Single entry. Operators mentioned are: Igor/Z32ID, Dimitar/Z33DGM, Gogo/Z35GL, Ozren/Z35T, Chris/Z35X, Tone/Z36N and Venco/Z36W. QSL via Z37M, by the Bureau or info on QRZ.com.

ZA, ALBANIA. Andrey, LZ2HM, will once again be active as ZA/LZ2HM from here between October 25th and November 1st. Activity will be on 160-2 meters using all modes. He will also be in the CQWW DX SSB Contest. QSL via his home callsign direct.

ZA, ALBANIA. Members of an Albanian contest team will be active as ZA3WW during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th). QSL via LZ2HM.

ZD8, ASCENSION ISLAND. Steve, G3ZVW/AF6SU, will once again be active as ZD8N from Ascension Island (AF-003) between November 21st and December 2nd. He has been off the island for almost three years. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. He is also expected to participate in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th). QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct.

ZD8, ASCENSION ISLAND. Operators Jorma/OH2KI (ZD8X) and Oliver/W6NV (ZD8W) will be active from Ascension Island (AF-003) during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Multi-Single entry using the callsign ZD8W. They expect to be active on the low bands before the contest weekend. QSL via their home callsigns.

ZK2, NIUE (Update to OPDX.1002 & OPDX.1007). By the time you read this, operators Chris/GM3WOJ and Keith/GM4YXI will have arrived in Niue (as of midday Friday (U.S. time). Chris will be active as ZK2V, and Keith has obtained the callsign ZK2X. The operation will continue for 2 months through to December 20th. They plan to participate in (CQWW) contests as well. Activity on 160 meters will occur the first several weeks of the operation. They will also focus on 12/10 meters to EU, both paths. New for this trip will be an effort to provide "real time" logging on the Internet (Last minute update: However, latest reports indicate that poor WiFi signals are very weak in the shack, so they may not be able to use their new &#65533;real-time&#65533; logging system). More details are available at <http://www.zk2v.com>. LoTW will be updated frequently, and card requests are via N3SL.

ZONE 2 (Top-Band Op). Operators Toshi/JA8BMK and Keith/VE7MID plan to activate CQ Zone 2 on 160 and 80 meters. They have arranged (through Yuri VE3DZ/VE2IM) to use the VE2CSI clubhouse on Sept-Iles which is in Zone 2 (50 Deg 12.33 Min N 66 Deg 21.85 Min W). Keith will pick up Toshi in Montreal on October 30th, and drive him to Sept-Iles (1000km) on October 31st, so they can be operational between November 1-9th. They are planning on using a full size 80m vertical, 160m L (lots of radials!) and two beverages, using Toshi's 600w amp and a new K3 (Dual RX). The callsigns will be VE2/JA8BMK and VE7MID/VE2.

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW

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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE
OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=help>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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Excerpts and distribution of The OPDX Bulletin are granted as long as
KB8NW/OPDX/BARF80 receive credit. To contribute DX info, please send
via InterNet Mail to: kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org - OR - kb8nw@arrl.net
Information can now be faxed to the following "NEW" phone line at:
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DX Chairman for the "Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society
ARRL Assistant Director of the Great Lakes Division
Sysop of the "Basic Amateur Radio Frequency BBS" (BARF80.ORG)

1014. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 23rd October 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-23 20:00:14 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20111023200006.90D3733C91@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4054
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Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 23rd October 2011

Silent Key

Charlie McCrystal GI6DCC, sadly passed away on Monday the 17thOctober 2011 following a short illness. Charlie showed a great love of many things in life Family, Music and Amateur Radio. Private Cremation took place at Roselawn Crematorium. Charlie was father to Karl MI3KAL, brother of Eddie GI7FHZ and uncle to Paul MI6FHZ.

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MORE LICENSE COURSES AT LOUGH ERNE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club is recruiting for a Foundation course and invites all interested to the next Club meeting in the SHARE centre at 7.00 pm on Tuesday 1 November. The course itself will be over two weekends, the last in November and first in December, with examination and results on Sunday afternoon 3 December.

Recent courses and examinations produced 39 successes, 26 Foundation, 9 Intermediate and 4 Full Licence holders - and only one fail. Recently licensed members have invigorated the Club. They include the new Chairman, Tommy Mi0RVH. He did his Foundation in 2010 then Intermediate and Full in June 2011.

Lough Erne ARC is also recruiting for another Intermediate course and an Advanced examination in December or January. As usual, the newly licensed will be presented with welcome certificates at the Lough Erne Rally on Sunday 1 April 2012.

Cashota

MM0DHQ will be transmitting from Kilwinning Abbey, in Scotland as part of CASHOTA (Castles and Stately Homes on the Air) on Tuesday 1st November 2011. All details can be found at www.cashota.co.uk.

Foyle and District Amateur Radio Rally

The Foyle and District Amateur Radio Club Rally takes place November 6th 2011 at the White Horse Hotel, 68 Clooney Road, Derry, BT47 3PA. Doors open at 12 noon. The usual traders will be present and IRTS will have a stand also on display. Further details from www.mn0aku.co.uk .

Shannon Basin Radio Club

The Shannon Basin Radio Club will be having a meeting on Friday the 28th October in Hannons Hotel, Roscommon at 20:30. All members are asked to attend and non-members are welcome. Please see www.shannonbasinradioclub.com for details.

DX News

Five operators will be active from Bhutan from 25 October until 1 November. During the CQ WW SSB Contest next weekend (29-30 October) look for A52IR on 80m, A52PC on 40m, A52PP on 20m, A25AB on 15m and A51B on 10m. Outside the contest times they will work other bands and modes.

Bill N7OU is operating from the South Cook Islands until 7 November using the callsign E51NOU. He then travels to the North Cook Islands where he will stay until 22 November. As he will be using the same callsign from both DXCC entities be careful with your logbook entries.

A group of 7 Italian amateurs will sign TU2T from the Ivory Coast from 27 October to 11 November. There has not been much activity from TU in recent times so this is a good one to look out for. Direct QSLs go via I2YSB and bureau cards go via IK2CIO.

Chris GM3WOJ will be activating ZK2V from the island of Niue in the Pacific for the next few months. He will be joined by Keith GM4YXI until the end of October and the call ZK2X will be used in the CQ WW SSB Contest.

AubieSat-1 video

Auburn University's, USA, famous battle cry, 'War Eagle', will be heard from space October 27 when it is transmitted to Earth from a student-built amateur radio satellite known as AubieSat-1 After launch, when the satellite comes over Auburn, Alabama, the team will send up a command and if all is well AubieSat-1 will reply with 'War Eagle' in Morse code. AubieSat-1 is designed to transmit with a power of about 800 milliwatts on a frequency of 437.475 MHz, plus or minus Doppler correction [+/- 9 kHz]. The beacon signal, along with telemetry, will be sent using A1A continuous wave Morse code at 20 words per minute. Additional telemetry from the onboard science experiment will use CW transmissions up to 60 WPM.

AMSAT to celebrate 50 years in space at symposium

The AMSAT-NA 2011 Space Symposium will be held on Friday, November 4-6 in San Jose, California. This year's Symposium coincides with the celebration of the 50th anniversary of OSCAR 1, the first Amateur Radio satellite.

Radio Club Argentino - 90th anniversary

The Radio Club Argentino (RCA), will be active as L90AA starting October 21st through to the end of the month. Activity is to celebrate the 90th anniversary of the RCA founded in 1921. The RCA is one of the oldest amateur radio associations in the world, and was also one of the founders of the IARU in 1925. Look for operations to be on all bands using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via LU4AA, direct or by the Bureau.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

1015. HOT SEX BED ROOM VIDEOS AND 200 BEST ACTRESSES PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-24 10:52:28 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <bfd61841-dc2f-4d12-9526-28d85a9e7ded@u13g2000prm.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4055

A TO Z INFORMATION SEE IN THIS SITE

http://atwoztopic.blogspot.com/

ALL HOT PHOTOS SUPER SEXY PHOTOS

http://alltoux.blogspot.com/2010/09/hot-lip-kiss-135.html

ALL JOBS SITES FREE SEE

http://jobstwo.blogspot.com/

HOT VIDEOS

http://hotvideotoou.blogspot.com/2011/01/kiss-videos.html

hot lip kiss
http://hotvidos.blogspot.com/2010/07/hot-lip-kiss.html
hot kisses
http://hotvidos.blogspot.com/2010/07/hot-kisses.html
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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-24 22:00:13 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <e08ca345-64f6-4985-8c9d-a1f43589506b@c1g2000vbw.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4056

On Oct 24, 6:52 am, 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdg...@gmail.com> wrote:
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1017. [RAC-Bulletin] SPECIAL EVENT STATION VA3AAR: 150th BIRTH ANNIVERSARY of DR. JAMES NAISMITH, ALMONTE NATIVE, INVENTOR of BASKETBALL

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-25 19:32:49 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4EA70D2B.5030604@rac.ca>
Source record: 4057
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

SPECIAL EVENT STATION VA3AAR: 150th BIRTH ANNIVERSARY of DR. JAMES NAISMITH, ALMONTE NATIVE, INVENTOR of BASKETBALL
Sponsored by the Almonte Amateur Radio Club Inc. with the Dr. James Naismith Basketball Foundation and the Mississippi Valley Conservation Authority

>Date: Sunday, November 6, 2011, 24 hour operation 0000-2359 UTC (8:00 p.m. Eastern November 5 to 8:00 p.m. Eastern November 6)

Place: Mill of Kintail, Almonte, Ontario, Canada, Latitude 45.244339 N, Longitude 76.258062 W, FN 15vf, ITU 4, CQ 4

Description: Special Event: VA3AAR celebrating the 150th anniversary of the birth of Dr. James Naismith, Almonte native, to honour the inventor of basketball at the Mill of Kintail near his birthplace. Frequencies: 20 m 14150 kHz +/- 5 kHz, 40 m 7250 kHz +/- 5 kHz, 80 m near 3755 kHz. (Frequencies subject to adjustment if already in use by other stations).

Special Commemorative QSL: For our public display in the new year, please QSL direct to VE3NCE, P.O. Box 1644, Almonte, Ontario, K0A 1A0, Canada.

For more information regarding VHF and D-STAR contact channels go to: AARC Inc. website <www.almontearclub.ca>. Email contact Rob Webb VE3UIX, AARC Inc. President, <ve3uix@almontearclub.ca>.

For more information about the event, read the article in Almonte's on-line newspaper The Millstone News:
http://www.millstonenews.com/2011/10/radio-had-not-yet-been-developed-when-james-naismith-almonte-native-invented-the-sport-of-basketball-in-1891-nobody-then-c.html#tp

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1018. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 17 - 23 October 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-25 21:30:06 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20111025213001.1D89D33C8E@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4058
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.info

:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2011 Oct 25 1916 UTC
Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
17 - 23 October 2011

Solar activity was low to moderate. Early in the period, solar activity was at low levels with a majority of the C-class activity from Regions 1319 (N=10, L=051, class/area Eki/420 on 17 October) and 1324 (N11, L=305, class/area Ekc/360 on 20 October). Low level C-class activity was observed until early on 20 October when an M1 x-ray event occurred at 20/0325Z from an area on the west limb. This event most likely originated from Region 1318 (N20, L=096, class/area Dso/50 on 13 October). M-class activity continued during 21 and 22 October with an M1 x-ray event at 21/1300Z from Region 1319 and a M1/Sf long duration flare at 22/1110Z from Region 1314 (N25, L=058, class/area Cho/370 on 12 October). The 21 October M-flare had associated Type II (789 km/s) and Type IV radio sweeps, but no Earth-directed CME was detected. The 22 October M-flare had an associated CME with a mostly northward directed component with an approximate plane-of-sky speed of 600 km/s measured in STEREO A COR2. LASCO C2 and C3 imagery observed a partial halo CME with a maximum plane-of-sky speed of 1000 km/s in its northernmost edge. A large filament eruption was also observed in SDO/AIA imagery in the Northwest quadrant of the solar disk starting at 22/0058Z. An associated CME was observed with a slight Earth-directed component with an approximate speed of 500 km/s. Activity returned to low levels on the last day of the period.

The greater than 100 MeV proton flux at geosynchronous orbit remained below threshold levels the entire period. A greater than 10 MeV proton event began at 23/1500Z in response to the M1/Sf long-duration flare observed midday on 22 October. The event peaked at 13pfu at 23/1535Z and ended at 23/1605Z.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at normal levels the entire period.

The geomagnetic field was mostly quiet during the summary period. On the last day of the summary period, a weak shock passage was observed in the ACE solar wind data at 23/2320Z, but the geomagnetic field remained quiet. A glancing blow from a CME associated with an M1 x-ray event observed near the NW limb at 20/0325Z was the suspected source of the shock.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
26 October - 21 November 2011

Solar activity is expected to be at predominantly low levels during the forecast period. There will be a slight chance for M-class activity during 26 October - 03 November. M-class activity increases from a slight chance to a chance during 04 - 17 November, with a slight chance for X-class activity from 04 - 17 November, due to the return of old active Regions 1314 (N29, L=056) and 1319 (N12, L=052).

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit during the forecast period.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at normal to moderate levels during 26 - 29 October, with an increase to moderate to high levels during 30 October - 01 November. Mostly normal levels are expected during 02 - 21 November.

Quiet to active levels are forecast for 26 October as effects from the 22 October CME arrival subside. The field is expected to return to mostly quiet levels by 27 October. Quiet to unsettled levels are expected during 28 - 29 October as a coronal hole high-speed stream (CH HSS) disturbs the field. A return to mostly quiet levels is expected during 31 October - 02 November. From 03 - 05 November, quiet to unsettled levels are expected as another recurrent CH HSS affects the field. Mostly quiet levels are expected during 06 - 21 November.

1019. [RAC-Bulletin] Notice to All Amateur Radio Operators in Ontario

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-26 04:52:58 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4EA7919F.6010304@rac.ca>
Source record: 4059
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

ATTN: Notice to All Amateur Radio Operators in Ontario

Greetings All,

As many of you know RAC is presently undergoing new changes
within the organization and Field Services for Ontario is no
exception. As Section Manager for Ontario and your only elected
official for field services one of the major concerns that I brought
forward to the RAC executive is that for one person to act on behalf
of all of Ontario is not a proper voice on two levels. One is that due
to many factors like the sheer size of the province it is impossible
for all the amateurs in Ontario to see and have a personal contact
with the Section Manager. You need someone close to where you reside
that you can have personal contact with.

Since taking this position in October 2005 and being reelected
I have tried to do this job to the best of my ability. As many of you
know I have had some contact with you through personal telephone calls
and e-mails and maybe the odd club meeting or hamfest. However I don't
have the luxury or funds to visit all clubs or ARES groups in the
province. This is not fair to you and to me. You need personal contact
with someone that can take your concerns and comments good or bad to
the next level. If RAC is going to be our national voice you need to
know who your RAC rep is. Our present government has local MPP's that
represent your voice to government RAC needs a similar restructure.

RAC President Geoff Bawden VE4BAW through the direction of VPFS
Doug Mercer V01DTM has tasked Bill Unger VE3XT Ontario North Director
to over see a committee of experienced amateurs to come up with a
restructure of Field Services for Ontario. Attached you will find a
document and a new restructure chart with the proposal of having four
Section Managers representing you instead of one.

I ask you all to read the attached document carefully and send
your comments directly to the following address:
<https://webmail.confederationc.on.ca/owa/redir.aspx?C=b75de1edba1140ef8a992c7197d2d841&URL=mailto%3Arestructont%40gmail.com>restructont@gmail.com.

As your elected official for RAC I need and want your input about
this proposed restructure before we can move ahead and your voice is
very important to me and RAC. I ask your respond back to this address
<https://webmail.confederationc.on.ca/owa/redir.aspx?C=b75de1edba1140ef8a992c7197d2d841&URL=mailto%3Arestructont%40gmail.com>restructont@gmail.com.
by the 27th November 2011. Once all comments are collected a final
report will be drafted.

Again I thank each and everyone of you for your past and
continued support as your Section Manager. I can assure you RAC is
trying hard to get your opinions and ideas on how the organization can
continue to move forward to become our national voice representing all
amateur radio operators concerns.

Have a look and this is your chance to let your voice be heard.

73

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Allan Boyd
VE3AJB
Section Manager
Ontario
Radio Amateurs of Canada

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1020. The ARRL Contest Update for October 26, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-26 05:01:57 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20111026041744.7988525825@bmail.arrl.org>
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The ARRL Contest Update

Published by the American Radio Relay League
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October 26, 2011

Editor: Ward Silver, N0AX <rate-sheet@arrl.org>

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NEW HF OPERATORS - THINGS TO DO

The contest bands (160, 80, 40, 20, 15, and 10 meters) will be packed with DX and domestic stations alike during the big CQ World Wide SSB <http://cqww.com/rules.php> contest. Check your CQ Zone on this terrific map from Icom America <http://www.icomamerica.com/en/support/kb/Article.aspx?ArticleNumber=668B54492A> (be sure to use CQ and not ITU zones) and jump right in - be prepared to enjoy higher bands that haven't presented sustained openings in a few years! Keep an eye on your transmit frequency to make sure that your carrier and sidebands are entirely within US operating privileges for your license class.

BULLETINS

Due to major flooding in Thailand and the recent large earthquake in Turkey, please avoid the following frequencies: 7.060-7.063 MHz (Thailand) and 7.092 MHz USB (Turkey). If asked to QSY to avoid interfering with emergency traffic, please do so immediately.

BUSTED QSOS

The weeknight date of the ARRL Frequency Measuring Test <http://www.arrl.org/frequency-measuring-test> is Wednesday, Nov 9th, not Tuesday as reported in the QST announcement. (Thanks, Connie K5CM)

In case there is any confusion about Technician privileges, Techs can operate CW from 28.0 to 28.5 MHz, SSB from 28.3 to 28.5 MHz, and RTTY/data from 28.0 to 28.3 MHz. (Thanks, Steve W3HF)

CONTEST SUMMARY

Complete information for all contests follows the Conversation section

October 29-30

- CQ World Wide SSB Contest
- SKCC Weekday Sprint (Oct 26)
- Fall VHF Sprints (Oct 29, 50 MHz)
- ARS Spartan Sprint--CW (Nov 1)
- SNS and NS Weekly Sprints--CW (Nov 4)

November 5-6

- ARRL November Sweepstakes--CW
- Collegiate ARC Championship-- CW
- Ukranian DX Contest
- Radio Club of America QSO Party--Phone
- DARC 10-Meter Digital "Corona"

==> NEWS, PRESS RELEASES, AND GENERAL INTEREST

The CQ World Wide Contest's "Xtreme <http://cqww.com/rules/CQWW-Rules-Xtreme.pdf>" category allows operation using Internet technology to extend traditional station definitions. The only requirement to enter in this category is that you must pre-register with the contest sponsors at Xtreme@cqww.com with a description of your proposed operation, information on your station, call sign to be used, operator list, and technology to be used. (Thanks, CQWW Xtreme Category Manager, Doug K1DG)

College club stations considering a weekend of Sweepstakes <http://www.arrl.org/sweepstakes> competition should take a look at WM5R's Collegiate Championship <http://www.collegiatechampionship.org/> web site. Ken has compiled lists of category records and of winners by their NCAA conference participation - although there is a lot of rearranging going on these days. Take a look at your conference - wouldn't it be nice to post a winning score for your own? Don't forget, alumnii, you are allowed to operate with your alma mater's club as of last year!

Another Sweepstakes <http://www.arrl.org/sweepstakes>change - this year's participants will be able to select either Low Power or High Power categories in both the Multi-Op and Unlimited categories. The "M" or "U" in the exchange will stay the same, but results (and awards) will recognize participants in each power category. Here's your chance to be on the record leader boards (until next year, anyway)!

Take a look at this extensive article on CBS News commemorating today's 150th anniversary of completion of the transcontinental <http://www.cbsnews.com/8301-205_162-20124672/americas-original-wire-the-telegraph-at-150/

%20.>
telegraph, the precursor of future technological revolutions such as telephone, teletype, fax, and Internet. (Thanks, Dave K6VML)

A new web site for WRTC 2014 <http://www.wrtc2014.org> has been created through the hard work of Rudy N2WQ. It has been completely redesigned to look more professional and contain more information that will help competitors, visitors, and others as the preparations for WRTC 2014 continue. The WRTC 2014 web team is looking for help with graphic art design and article preparation. (Thanks, WRTC 2014 co-chair, Randy K5ZD)

Zac Manchester, a graduate student in Aerospace Engineering at Cornell University developed fingernail-sized satellites which may be deployed for Earth-orbit missions and could someday travel to Saturn. While fluttering down through the atmosphere, they will collect data about chemistry, radiation and particle impacts and transmit the information using a 10 mW radio on frequencies between 433 and 436 MHz. A group or club can sponsor a fleet of Sprites together as described on the Kicksat website <http://www.kicksat.org/>. (Thanks, AMSAT <http://amsat.org/> Bulletin ANS-289 and Julius N2WN)

Prasad VU2PTT reports that Indian amateurs can now use up to 400 W of transmitter final amplifier input power on all bands. This may help explain why the VU stations are so loud this weekend!

Are you an "Asker" or a "Guesser"? Take a few minutes to read this article from The Guardian <http://www.guardian.co.uk/lifeandstyle/2010/may/08/change-life-asker-guesser> and consider the difference. (Thanks, Mark N5OT)

A new release of the Super Check Partial <http://www.supercheckpartial.com/> database files is now available and be sure that your Country (CTY) files <http://www.country-files.com/> are up to date before this weekend's CQ WW contest. (Thanks, Bob WA1Z)

The Tesla Conference 2011 <http://www.teslasciencecenter.org/> is being organized by folks who work at Brookhaven National Laboratory with a goal of renovation of the Tesla's Wardenclyffe lab site as a museum/science center to further physics education and maintain the Tesla heritage. There will also be a special event station on Nov 5th using the call sign W3T <http://copaseticflow.blogspot.com/2011/10/teslas-wardenclyffe-lab-special-event.html>. (Thanks, Jeff K1NSS)

A new RTTY contest is coming to the bands on December 4th - check out the 10 Meter RTTY Contest <http://rttycontesting.com/the10meterrttycontest.html>, sponsored by Don AA5AU's rttycontesting.com and Ed W0YK's Muns Vineyard. It has the popular 24-hour format and with the bands so good lately, should attract a lot of participation on this first time out.

Web Site of the Week - I recently read an adventuresome novel for teens and young adults that features ham radio: "Road Home

<http://www.amazon.com/Road-Home-Andrew-Baze/dp/0983505306>" by Andrew Baze AB8L. The story revolves around post-earthquake action in the Pacific Northwest and how ham radio plays an integral part in both emergency preparedness and personal survival. Instead of trying to explain all of the technology in the story, the author uses a limited number of footnotes and references to explain the terminology. I thought this was a good compromise to allow the interested reader to dive a little deeper into the technology.

WORD TO THE WISE

Peer pressure - there is no stronger remedy to ethical challenges in radiosport than the magical potion of a friendly word of advice or caution. It strengthens our community and makes better contesters of us all.

==> SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

Geoff KA1IOR took a few public logs from last year's CQ WW contest and created some interesting visual analysis <http://www.cape-vision.com/wayg/ka1ior/yccc-cqww-study.html> by using PERL scripts. The charts illustrate some winning techniques and will help the reader learn what strategies are important.

What to do with surplus TVRO dishes? A group of four students at the University of Cincinnati set a world's record for point to point communications on 2.4 GHz at the Las Vegas WiFi Shootout <http://www.unwiredadventures.com/unwire/2005/12/defcon_wifi_sho.html> in 2005. I wonder if they could see the neighbor's network, too? (Thanks, Hank N8XX)

Dan K7SS suggests the air hockey documentary "Way Of the Puck <http://www.wayofthepuck.com/>" currently being seen on PBS stations as a parallel to ham radio contesting. As its devotees find, the bug bites hard and stays for life!

Everybody loves autonomous flying robots <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W18Z3UnnS_0>! There is lots of cool stuff going on with quadrotor platforms, such as this juggling video <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3CR5y8qZf0Y&feature=related>. Now, can we get them to haul the antenna rope over that super-tall tree? (Thanks, Bob N6TV)

If you missed seeing the aurora borealis this past Monday evening, you can get a sense of it from this NASA Earth Observatory <http://earthobservatory.nasa.gov/IOTD/view.php?id=76201&src=eoa-iotd> photo, story, and time-lapse video from late September.

Why is 73 the best number? The cast of "Big Bang Theory" explains in this video <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TIYMmbHik08>. (Thanks, Andy N2NT)

==> RESULTS AND RECORDS

ARRL Contest Branch Manager, Sean KX9X reports that the 2010 ARRL Sweepstakes plaques and Phone Sweepstakes certificates have all been mailed along with the 2010 160 Meter Contest certificates. Don't forget you can always check on ARRL contest awards processing online <http://www.arrl.org/plaques-and-certificates>. Speaking of online, that's where you can find the 2011 Field Day results <http://www.arrl.org/contest-results-articles>, too!

The final results of the CW part of the 2011 Scandinavian Activity Contest <http://www.sactest.net/> were delivered to the webmaster together with a brief write-up. You can also get your log-check results before all of them are on-line by emailing oh6kzp@sral.fi. Work is now proceeding on the more than 1050 SSB logs! (Thanks, SAC Committee Member, Kim OH6KZP)

Results for the 2011 UBA DX SSB Contest <http://uba.be/hf/contest-results> are now available. The database is being updated with older results, too - back to 2006. (Thanks, Franki ON5ZO)

The results for the first ever Summer Stew Perry Top Band Distance Challenge <http://web.jzap.com/k7rat/SummerStew2011.txt> have been posted. Congrats to Herb KV4FZ, who narrowly beat Ty NO3M for first place. (Thanks, Tree N6TR)

Barry W2UP reports that the latest High-Speed Morse Competition <http://www.hst2011.de/results> is now over. Barry snared a bronze medal in RUFZ and a gold in Morserunner. The US team placed tenth.

The 2011 CQ WPX Contest survey results have been published as Part 1 <http://www.cqwpx.com/blog/?p=91> and Part 2 <http://www.cqwpx.com/blog/?p=92>. Nearly 4950 respondents answered the survey questions about operating style, combining Single-Op and Single-Op, Assisted categories, and other topics. Contest Director, Randy K5ZD also notes that everyone who submitted a log for the WPX SSB Contest 2011 has been sent an email with a link to their log checking report. If you did not receive your report, please contact Randy <%20k5zd@cqwpx.com>.

OPERATING TIP

Voice maintenance - to keep your voice in good shape during a long contest, learn to speak clearly at a comfortable level without shouting. It helps to practice with a friend on the air in setting your mic gain and compression levels properly. If you use voice recordings, take steps to reduce the amount of background noise in them and try to match your normal speaking voice settings for clean transmitted signals. (And watch that VFO frequency when clicking on a spot - it's easy to not notice that the frequency is outside your operating privileges or too close to a band edge.)

==> TECHNICAL TOPICS AND INFORMATION

With power output an important part of complying with contest rules and national regulations, remember that net power flow in a transmission line is the difference between the power flowing in each direction. Net forward power is what most contest rules refer to as "output power". On most directional wattmeters such as the Bird 43 series, net forward power is computed by subtracting the value of reflected power headed towards the transmitter from the value of forward power (which includes both power supplied by the transmitter plus any reflected power that is re-reflected at the transmitter). The forward power reading in such a wattmeter thus varies with SWR. The two power readings are nearly independent with about -30 dB isolation between the two in a well-designed wattmeter. (A "smart" wattmeter may do that subtraction for you.)

To run the output of an amplifier into more than one antenna, you'll need a power splitter. Stack switches such as those made by Array Solutions <http://www.arraysolutions.com/> and Microham <http://www.microham.com/> can do the job using transmission line techniques.

F-type connectors are becoming more popular in amateur use for receive antennas and other jobs. While the most common style for equipment chassis mounting is a threaded, single-nut connector, a four-hole flange-style connect also exists - Mouser Electronics <http://mouser.com/> part number 161-9126. (Thanks, Mike W0BTU)

If you know what cables will be in a run of conduit, an alternative to pulling them through the finished run is to lay them out next to the trenches and slide the conduit sections into place over the cables. Then glue the sections together as you lay them into the trenches. You can include a pull rope in to the bundle for future use. Make sure the conduit joint surfaces are completely clean before gluing. This might not be practical for very long runs of conduit, though. (Thanks, Alan K9MBQ)

In you live in a windy area, static can build up on an antenna to disturbingly high voltages. An RF choke across the feed line will allow static to bleed off, but a high-value (10k or higher) non-inductive resistor with a 2 to 5-watt dissipation will do the job without self-resonances in the HF region. Metal-oxide resistors available from several vendors will work well Connect the resistor across the feed line by using a tee-connector (coax) or at the terminals (parallel-conductor).

A year ago Jim K1TN bought a new Weller soldering gun and couldn't figure out why a lot of the time it wouldn't put out enough heat. Recently, whilst soldering an antenna outdoors, he realized, in a blaze of neural activity, that the first detent of the trigger is HIGH and the second, all-the-way-in position is LOW. The natural tendency to squeeze harder for higher heat is defeated by this configuration!

Technical Web Site of the Week - Log-periodic designers can make good use of Roger WB0DGF's LPCAD calculator <http://wb0dgf.com/LPCAD.htm>.

Roger has recently released version 3.40 and it makes short work of creating a log-periodic dipole array design. Roger's site also offers numerous other useful antenna links and items. (Thanks, Jake K9WN)

==> CONVERSATION

Notes on CQ World Wide

The largest sporting event no-one outside ham radio has ever heard of, CQ World Wide SSB with its nearly 30,000 participants, is coming to a band near you this weekend. As you listen to the world turn, be sure to compete exhibiting the best ham spirit! Contest Director, Bob K3EST recently posted a few thoughts about operating:

"Many competitors enter a contest to compete for a top spot in their country, continent or the world. In is very important for all of us to promote fair play in contesting. Fair play is addressed with the Contester's Code of Ethics and the Contest University <http://contestuniversity.com/> lecture on ethics <http://pvrc.org/webinar/webinars.htm> by Doug K1DG:

- I will learn and obey the rules of any contest I enter, including the rules of my entry category

- I will not modify my log after the contest by using additional data sources to correct call sign or exchange errors.

Both points are of high importance to ensure a fair contest. The first point includes running the power allowed by your chosen category. An entrant may run the maximum power allowed by their chosen category:1500, 100 or 5 watts. All high power categories must not exceed 1500 watts total output power on any band at any time. You cannot run 1500 watts to each antenna on a band.

"Although the second point addresses what occurs after the contest, the CQ WW Contest Committee considers it unsportsmanlike to "clean" your log post-contest using data sources such as recordings, call sign databases, etc.

"If you enter any Single-Operator category, you are allowed only one signal on the air at any time. If you enter any multi-operator category, you are allowed only one signal on a band at any time. How do you prevent two signals on a band at the same time? Several "lockout" solutions have been provided to the CQ WW Contest Committee and are available under RESOURCES on the CQ WW contest website <http://cqww.com/>.

"When should you should claim to be in the Single-Op, Assisted category? Ask yourself the following question: Did you have help finding the call sign of any QSO in your log? If the answer is yes, you should enter as Single-Operator, Assisted. (This does NOT refer to receiving other types of physical assistance - Ed.) If you have any questions concerning when to claim assisted, please contact the CQ WW

Committee <questions@cqww.com>.

"Clubs worldwide can help promote FAIR PLAY in contesting. The CQ WW Contest Committee has endorsed the Contesters Code of Ethics <http://wwrof.org/contester-code-of-ethics/> created by the World Wide Radio Operators Foundation. Both of these sources can be used to create a club program concerning ethics/FAIR PLAY. If your club needs help developing a program, please contact the CQ WW Contest Committee <questions@cqww.com>. Let's try again to make it clear -- Have fun! Fun is what it is all about! Lots of activity and countries equals lots of fun!"

On a related topic, with conditions having improved so dramatically on the upper HF bands in recent weeks, there will be a lot of activity across the entire spectrum in this weekend's CQ World Wide SSB contest. What if you want to enjoy all of that action but submit your log in a single-band category? Don't remove any QSOs from the log - just be sure that your Cabrillo format header contains a line beginning with "CATEGORY-BAND:" followed by 160M, 80M, 40M, 20M, 15M, or 10M. (You can view and revise your log with any text editor but be sure to save it as plain text.) All of your QSOs will be used for log checking but only QSOs from your single-band submission will count for your score. If your logging software generates the older Cabrillo 2.0 format, make sure the header line for category looks like the following example for a 20 meter, single-band entry.

CATEGORY: SINGLE-OP 20M HIGH PHONE

If you want a separate all-band score to count for your club, add a note stating that in a SOAPBOX: line in the log header and be sure to spell your club name correctly as listed on the CQ WW Club Names web page <http://www.cqww.com/clubnames.htm>. While you're reviewing your log, make sure the header information is all correct and that each QSO contains the correct information for your exchange.

After you submit your log to the CQ WW contest robot at ssb@cqww.com, you will receive an emailed response - read it! Be sure the robot's message correctly reports the category, number of QSOs, and so forth. If any of these are incorrect or the robot reports a problem, edit your log and resubmit it until everything is accepted properly. There will be a submitted logs report <http://cqww.com/logs.php> published on the CQ WW website as logs come in - be sure yours is listed and in the right category. Don't wait until next fall to find out there was a problem!

73, Ward N0AX

==> CONTESTS

25 October through 8 November

An expanded, downloadable version of QST's Contest Corral in PDF format <http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar> is available. Check the

sponsor's Web site for information on operating time restrictions and other instructions.

HF CONTESTS

CQ World Wide SSB Contest--Phone, from Oct 29, 0000Z to Oct 30, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RS and CQ zone. Logs due: Nov 21. Rules <http://cq-amateur-radio.com/>

ARRL November Sweepstakes--CW, from Nov 5, 2100Z to Nov 7, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: Serial, category, call, check, ARRL sec. Logs due: Nov 22. Rules <http://www.arrl.org/contests>

Collegiate ARC Championship--CW, from Nov 5, 2100Z to Nov 7, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: See ARRL Sweepstakes. Logs due: Nov 22. Rules <http://www.collegiatechampionship.org/>

SKCC Weekday Sprint--CW, from Oct 26, 0000Z to Oct 26, 0200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50. Monthly on the fourth Wednesday local time. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, name, SKCC number. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.skccgroup.com/>

ARS Spartan Sprint--CW, from Nov 1, 0200Z to Nov 1, 0400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Monthly on the first Monday evening local time. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, and power. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.arsqrp.blogspot.com/>

SNS and NS Weekly Sprints--CW, from Nov 4, 0200Z to Nov 4, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-14. Weekly on Thursday evenings local time. Exchange: Serial, name, and S/P/C. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.ncccsprint.com/rules.html>

Ukranian DX Contest--Phone,CW, from Nov 5, 1200Z to Nov 6, 1200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RST and serial or Ukraine oblast. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.ucc.zp.ua/>

Radio Club of America QSO Party--Phone, from Nov 5, 1700Z to Nov 6, 0500Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-21. Exchange: RST, QTH, name, equipment. Rules <http://www.radioclubofamerica.org/>

DARC 10-Meter Digital "Corona"--Digital, from Nov 6, 1100Z to Nov 6, 1700Z. Bands (MHz): 28. Exchange: RST and serial. Logs due: 2 weeks. Rules <http://www.darc.de/referate/ukw-funksport>

VHF+ CONTESTS

Fall VHF Sprints--Phone,CW,Digital, from Oct 29, 2300Z to Oct 30, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 50. Exchange: 4-character grid square. Logs due: 4 weeks. Rules <http://www.svhfs.org/2011fallsprintrulesv1.pdf>

SKCC Weekday Sprint--CW, from Oct 26, 0000Z to Oct 26, 0200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50. Monthly on the fourth Wednesday local time. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, name, SKCC number. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.skccgroup.com/>

==> LOG DUE DATES

25 October through 8 November

- October 25 - 10-10 Int. 10-10 Day Sprint
<http://www.ten-ten.org/Forms/QSOPartyRules_082710.pdf>
- October 27 - 222 MHz Fall Sprint
<http://www.svhfs.org/2011fallsprintrulesv1.pdf>
- October 29 - New York QSO Party <http://www.nyqp.org/rules.php>
- October 29 - TARA PSK Rumble Contest
<http://www.n2ty.org/seasons/tara_rumble_rules.html>
- October 30 - UBA ON Contest, CW
<http://www.uba.be/en/hf/contest-rules/on-contest>
- October 31 - 10-10 Int. Fall Contest, CW
<http://www.ten-ten.org/Forms/QSOPartyRules_082710.pdf>
- October 31 - QRP ARCI Fall QSO Party
<http://www.qrparci.org/content/view/7674/118/>
- October 31 - California QSO Party <http://www.cqp.org/Rules.html>
- October 31 - All Asian DX Contest, Phone
<http://www.jarl.or.jp/English/4_Library/A-4-3_Contests/2011AA_Rule.htm>
- October 31 - Arizona QSO Party <http://www.azqsoparty.org/rules.html>
- October 31 - Texas QSO Party
<http://txqp.net/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=233:rules-for-2011&catid=38:
rules&Itemid=53>
- October 31 - Washington State Salmon Run
<http://www.wwdxc.org/files/SalmonRun/SR%20Rules%2023%20August%202009.pdf>
- October 31 - German Telegraphy Contest
<http://kontest.de/dtc/DTC-Rules_e.pdf>
- October 31 - Worked All Germany Contest
<http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/contest/wag/en/rules/>
- November 1 - BARTG Sprint 75
<http://www.bartg.org.uk/documents/Contests/sprint75/BARTG%20Sprint%2075%20Rules%20Septemb
er.pdf>
- November 1 - F9AA Cup
<http://www.urc.asso.fr/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=142:contest-cup-f9aa&
catid=54:english-pages&Itemid=87>
- November 1 - Feld Hell Sprint
<http://sites.google.com/site/feldhellclub/Home/contests>
- November 2 - TRC DX Contest
<http://www.trcdx.org/html_ham/english/contest.html>
- November 2 - Araucaria VHF Contest
<http://www.avhfc.com/rules/avhfc_ee.pdf>
- November 5 - FOC QSO Party
<http://g4foc.org/Default.aspx?pageId=1143601>
- November 5 - 432 MHz Fall Sprint
<http://www.svhfs.org/2011fallsprintrulesv1.pdf>
- November 7 - Oceania DX Contest
<http://www.oceaniadxcontest.com/rules.pdf>
- November 7 - FISTS Fall Sprint <http://www.fists.org/sprints.html>
- November 7 - YLRL DX/NA YL Anniversary Contest
<http://www.ylrl.org/ylcontests.html>

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1021. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2011-033E – Notice to All Amateur Radio Operators in Ontario

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Greetings All;

As many of you know RAC is presently undergoing new changes within the organization and Field Services for Ontario is no exception. As Section Manager for Ontario and your only elected official for field services one of the major concerns that I brought forward to the RAC executive is that for one person to act on behalf of all of Ontario is not a proper voice on two levels. One is that due to many factors like the sheer size of the province it is impossible for all the amateurs in Ontario to see and have a personal contact with the Section Manager. You need someone close to where you reside that you can have personal contact with.

Since taking this position in October 2005 and being reelected I have tried to do this job to the best of my ability. As many of you know I have had some contact with you through personal telephone calls and e-mails and maybe the odd club meeting or hamfest. However I don•t have the luxury or funds to visit all clubs or ARES groups in the province. This is not fair to you and to me. You need personal contact with someone that can take your concerns and comments good or bad to the next level. If RAC is going to be our national voice you need to know who your RAC rep is. Our present government has local MPP•s that represent your voice to government RAC needs a similar restructure.

RAC President Geoff Bawden VE4BAW through the direction of VPFS Doug Mercer V01DTM has tasked Bill Unger VE3XT Ontario North Director to over see a committee of experienced amateurs to come up with a restructure of Field Services for Ontario. Attached you will find a document and a new restructure chart with the proposal of having four Section Managers representing you instead of one.

I ask you all to read the following document carefully and send your comments directly to address below
<http://www.rac.ca/en/news/bulletins/2011/Field_Services_Review_v8_3.pdf>

As your elected official for RAC I need and want your input about this proposed restructure before we can move ahead and your voice is very important to me and RAC. I ask your respond back to this address:

Arestructont@gmail.com

by the 27th November 2011. Once all comments are collected a final
report will be drafted.

Have a look and this is your chance to let your voice be heard.

73,

Allan Boyd VE3AJB
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1022. Re: Gender Identity Crisis

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Date: 2011-10-27 06:08:51 UTC
From: Gav.Morgan@usa.com
Message-ID: <5043d86e-d10b-41a5-b72d-4fb6d12134df@m17g2000yqo.googlegroups.com>
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On Oct 22, 11:26 pm, "Anon" <anon@anon> wrote:
> Mark suffers from a severe gender identity crisis.
> One day he is "straight", the next day he is bisexual, and the next day he
> can't decide.
> Our synopsis? ANY guy who has sex with another male is a homosexual. A
> faggot.
> A Queer. A cocksucker.
> And Gav? Mark has "outed" her as being equally as messed up as he is.
> One day she is a Jew, another day she is a self-proclaimed Witch, and the
> day after that she is outside having conversations with rocks. She is,
> according to Mark, also a fellow bisexual...who'da ever guessed?
>
> This pair of dysfunctional clowns belong together. What is it about the
> dregs of society traveling in the same circles?
> Obviously, losers find fellow losers...

Torture and Conversion
By RedRight

It was fucking awful. I hung in a pit, in a man-shaped rubber bag of shit. The sewage was up past my knees now.

Every hour or so one of the rubber clad skins would come in and repeat their little ritual. He'd always be carrying a bit of food, and it always smelled good. One time it'd be pizza, the next a cup of soup. He'd get down, right in my face and tell me the rule, "Allright fuckface, simple equation. You eat shit you get food. You don't eat shit, you don't get food." Then he'd sit on the rim seat over my head. I'd get a blast of strong poppers up the tubes in my nose and then he'd shit.

I could easily duck my head to the side, it was my choice. If I ducked the shit would hit me on the chest, or my back, or my shoulder. If the shit was dry it would just bounce off me, usually leaving a sticky smudge, and fall down into the bag, raising the level of the scum around me another fraction of an inch. If the shit was wet, I'd get sprayed and the wet slime would drool down me - slowly. With my hands bound to the sides of the bag, down in the pit there was little I could do. Sometimes they'd leave the fragrant food behind, always within sight. I could smell it too.

I didn't eat the shit. I didn't get the food. Hunger built. By itself, that wouldn't have been enough, but then came the show...

It was probably the third night of the ordeal. One of the skins came in and threw down a dirty wrestling mat. He came back and set several large candles around the room, lit them, and put out the lights. Moments after he left I heard two more of them coming down the hall. They were drunk, or high, or both. Rough-housing with each other, they stumbled into the room.

It was hard to tell these two apart. Both had shaved heads, muscles, and dark eyes. Both wore rubber chaps and tall rubber boots. One had a skull tattoo on his shoulder and the other had a flaming sword on the cheek of his ass.

Skull threw Sword against the wall and simultaneously kneed Sword in the balls and kissed him hard, really grinding their faces together. I could see Sword writhe from the blow to his balls, but he leaned into the kiss too. At the same time, his hands reached around and grabbled the cheeks of Skull's ass, squeezing hard, leaving marks.

Skull slowly worked his face down Sword's front side. He paused at the tits, gnawing on them until Sword tried to pull away. Skull shoved him back against the wall hard and continued down. By the time Skull got down as far as Sword's cock, he'd dropped to his knees. I could see he had Sword's cock deep down his throat and, at the same time, had a crushing grip on Sword's balls. Sword pressed himself back against the wall, lost in the pleasure and the pain. "Aw fuck... Aw fuck yeah..." he quietly chanted to himself.

"Fuckit," Skull said, and grabbed Sword by the waistband of his chaps. Roughly, he threw Sword to the mat, straddled him, and got his face back between Sword's legs. Skull's butt was pointed at Sword's face and slowly, as he sucked, Skull sat up. Just as Sword's dick slid out of his mouth Sword sat up and dropped his ass on Sword's face.

"Suck it, bastard," Skull said. Sword went at it. He reached up and grabbed Skull's waist and pulled the ass to him like a starving man.

Somewhere along here, my dick got hard. The shit was just sloshing up to the bottom of my balls now. If I thrashed around a bit I could get some of the slime up onto my cock for lube and barely rub my cock against the side of the bag. It was scant stimulation. Just enough to tease. Somewhere about here too, the poppers started to flow again. Before they'd just come with the shit, but now they flowed freely.

Skull lifted his ass off Sword's face. The narrow gap between the round cheeks of the ass and the sharp profile of the face was illuminated by the light of a candle against the opposite wall.

"You wanna eat, fucker?" Skull asked. Sword squirmed and whimpered softly.

"Come on fuck, you wanna eat?" Skull coaxed again.

"Feed me..." came a soft cry from Sword.

"Can't hear you dickwad!" shouted Skull.

"Feed me," Sword repeated.

"Tell me what you want, bastard!" Skull screamed in Sword's face.

"Feed me you bastard! Feed me your fucking shit!" Sword screamed back, matching his volume.

"Good boy," Skull cooed softly, stroking Sword's face and body.

Again, Sword sucked Skull's ass. He sucked for just a half a minute and then laid back, mouth open. I watched the gap intently, my dick just as hard and at attention as those of the men I watched. Some part of my head loved what I was seeing.

The shit started to flow. There was no mistaking it. Chunks of shit were falling out of Skull's ass and into Sword's waiting mouth. I watched, transfixed and hard-dicked as Sword first let the shit pile up in his mouth and then visibly chewed and swallowed. It didn't go down without a fight - several times I saw Sword's flat abs clench as he retched. Nothing came back up though. What he swallowed, he swallowed for good.

I could smell the rank odor and I could hear the mushy sound of Sword chewing it down. Softly, Sword moaned as he chewed. Mouthful after mouthful went down his hungry throat. As he ate his back arched and his hips thrust his stiff prick up into the air reflexively. He needed relief. Smiling, Skull reached out and grabbed Sword's dick in one hand and balls in the other. Sword's moans increased tenfold. Skull was gently stroking Sword's dick and roughly mauling his balls. With the pain and pleasure kept in the right balance I knew Sword would stay hard but never reach the release of cumming.

Soft farts from Skull's ass signaled the end of his dump. I heard loud burps from Sword as he kept trying to swallow the thick coating of shit lining his mouth and throat. As I watched I tried to imagine the heavy thick paste going down my own throat.

Finished shitting his load into Sword's mouth, Skull dove on Sword's dick, once again deepthroating it. Sword's body locked into an arc as if hit by a high voltage shock. Every muscle on his lean body stood out in relief. His screams of pleasure were near deafening in the small room. His hips slammed up hard into Skull's face and Skull kept sucking his hard dick.

I was dizzy with poppers, lust, and need. When the two of them collapsed, spent, I nearly cried. They were just a few feet away, but I could get no release.

They laid there panting. Slowly their breathing evened out and they seemed to sleep. I think I may have dozed as well. Later, I started awake. I don't know what woke me, but I realized that Sword was awake and looking at me. He squirmed away from Skull and started to half crawl, half slither over to me. My dick stirred.

With my face just at floor level he crawled to me until his face was just inches from mine. He stared into my eyes, drilling me. I could smell the heavy scent of shit on his breath. Each time he exhaled it was like the wind of a long warm fart blowing into my face. Same smell, same warmth.

He smiled at me. He came to within an inch of my face, and his long tongue snaked out and gave me a lick across my nose. My dick jumped with the contact. I could see that the inside of his mouth was more brown than pink. I could feel the smear of drool his tongue left behind and smell the shitstink from the bit of it that was under my nostrils.

I craved the contact and something more. I stared back into his eyes and opened my mouth. He smiled again and reached out one hand, holding the back of my head. He moved his face to mine again and this time we locked lips. The rich taste of shit, Skull's shit, I realized, flooded my mouth. I sucked at his tongue hungrily. What was this? What was I doing.

He broke the contact and pulled back. He smiled at me again and let out a low growl of, "Yeahhh, fucker. Yeah, you got the hunger now, don't you?" There was a crazy spark in his eyes to match the smile.

He reached down into the pit and released the bindings that held my hands. Then he stood up quickly and moved to the side of my pit. He swung the toilet seat away from over my head and started hauling on the ropes that suspended me. The pulley overhead squeaked loudly in the quiet room as I was raised. Skull stirred, but slept on.

I was a dripping, shit-slimed mess. Caked clods of shit slid down my body and fell back into the pit. Slime dripped off the tip of my dangling dick. Sword tied off the hoist ropes and then hooked an arm behind me, bringing my feet to solid ground. Seeming to sense that my legs were wobbly he kept the arm behind me for support while he unhooked the ropes from my harness.

Now I was free. It occurred to me, in passing, that I could run. But no. That was no longer what I wanted. Sword guided me over to the mat, the opposite corner from the inert Skull, and whispered for me to lie down.

It felt good just to lie there and let my eyes close. I heard Sword get up, walk away, and return. Soon I felt hands spreading the slime coat from below my waist up all over my naked body. The stink increased. I moaned appreciatively at the touch and my dick stirred once again to life. His hand cupped my balls and I felt his warm mouth envelope my cock. He sucked my rod, gently at first then harder. Every couple of minutes he'd pull his mouth off and slather more of the shitslime from the reserve around my balls up onto my dick and then go back to sucking. My cock rose and hardened under his attentions.

After I was fully, almost achingly hard, his active mouth started working its way up my belly, around my navel, up the crack between my

pecs, and to my nipples. His mouth started milking me on the right while a hand worked the tit on the left. I reached up and grabbed his head. He responded by starting to really chew and gnaw on my nip.

I looked down and saw that my hands were leaving brown smears on his shaved head. I pulled, urging his face up to mine. He laid his body across mine and complied. He grabbed my head with his wet hands and soon our mouths were once again locked together, sharing his mouthful of shit-drool.

He wasn't satisfied with that for long. "Feed me," he whispered urgently in my ear. "Gimme some shit."

He rolled off me and lay on the mat. I stood and he grabbed my ass and guided it down to his face. As soon as my cheeks were in range he thrust his face up into my crack and started licking at it wildly. I stood slightly and he got up on his knees for better access. He pulled my ass back and probed for my asshole with his tongue. God that felt good! Slowly he worked his tongue deeper and deeper, first into my crack and then penetrating my hole. The harder his tongue probed the more I felt my assring relax.

"Oh yeah," he moaned, "good shit."

I stood there, enjoying the sensation of a hungry mouth working my hole. He reached around with one hand and started playing with my dick and balls. I was in heaven.

"Common man, feed me some," he urged me.

Carefully, I concentrated, bearing down gently with my gut. Piss spurted from my dick, wetting his hand and running down, dripping from my balls. He growled and buried his face deeper into my crack. "Yeah, give it to me," he urged.

Slowly, I felt my shit-load start to slide down my chute. I knew it had come within range of his hungry tongue when be broke off from my ass, sucked a lungful of air, let out a loud "Yeah Fucker!" and dove his face back into my ass-crack. I felt a small, hard turd slide from my hole and into his attached mouth. He growled his appreciation like a rutting animal.

He pushed my ass away, spun me around by the hips, and pulled me down to kneel, facing him. My shitlog stuck half out of his mouth like a short fat cigar, dark brown and glossy. We locked eyes and he put his hands on my head, pulling me in. Hypnotized, I opened my mouth wide and met him lip to lip. My mouth was open, surrounding the turd cigar but not touching it Even so, each time I took a breath I could smell and taste the shit.

Sword tightened his grip on my head, making it clear that I was stuck in this position until I took the next step. Slowly I relaxed my lips, feeling them make contact with the warm log of shit that was sticking

into my mouth. Once my lips made contact I felt Sword start to push the log out, sending it deeper into my mouth. Reflexively, my tongue came up to support the load that was entering my mouth. The taste of my own shit blossomed in my mouth, rich and bitter. Crossing that line, my heart pounded and my mind raced.

Sword released my head and leaned back. "Good boy!" he said. "Feel that shit in your mouth, boy. Get off on it." With that he leaned in again. He wrapped his lips around the turd log again and started giving it a blow job like it was a dick. I gripped the brown log with my teeth now and nearly went cross-eyed watching as Sword moved in and out, slicking up the log with his spit.

"I'm hungry, boy. Are you hungry?" Sword said. He looked at the turd in my mouth again and then he leaned in, gave it another quick lick with his brown tongue and bit off a piece. He let me see the shit he held in his lips then he tossed it back, mouth open, and worked it around with his tongue. I watched, fascinated and horrified as he proceeded to close his mouth, chew it up, and visibly swallow it down. After taking the big gulp he again opened his shit-hole mouth, proving it was really gone. I could see dark bits of shit highlighted against the white of his teeth.

"Your turn, boy. Do it up. Bite it off, throw it back, and swallow it down. You don't even have to chew. Come on, boy, do it!" He leaned in and locked his mouth onto the part of the turd that was hanging out of my face. Gently, I pushed it a little further out and I felt him take it from me. I leaned back, my mouth free of the brown cargo for the moment.

Damn, could I do this? I couldn't deny that it was all turning me on more than I ever imagined it could. My dick was up, hard and aching. A hard dick doesn't lie! Sword put a hand on my shoulder and started pulling me in. I let him guide me and took it at his speed. As soon as the turd was in range I gingerly gripped the first inch or so with my teeth. It was harder than I imagined it would be. My teeth sunk in and I bit it off. Just like Sword said, I threw it back in my mouth and threw it down.

I felt every inch of it's slide as that hard little nugget went down my throat leaving a brown smear all the way. I did it! Triumphant, I opened my mouth so Sword could see. Sword smiled around the log in his face. Something snapped, I felt released. More! I wanted more! Again I leaned in and this time bit off a bigger piece a couple of inches long. There was no way this one was gong down without chewing it first -- it was just too big. I closed my mouth around the hard lump of shit, squeezed it with my tongue, feeling the clay-like mass start to ooze around. Now I could really taste it. Hard and gritty, I started to chew. I felt it disintegrate and turn to mush. Saliva started to flow and trickles of slime ran down my throat. I chewed, swallowed, and chewed some more. Sword watched with a beatific look on his face. I swallowed some more trying to clear the sludge out of my mouth.

Sword took the turd in his hand and bit off another piece. My mouth was empty and, incredibly, I realized I wanted more. I looked down at the shit in Sword's hand and then up at his face. He smiled while chewing, I opened my mouth, and he fed me the rest of the log. We sat there, both chewing open-mouthed, brown drool running down our chins. The feeling of intimacy and brotherhood was intense.

"Fuck yeah," he said. "Fuck yeah," I repeated, grabbing him for a kiss. As I shoved my tongue into his mouth I felt and tasted the remainder of the brown mud we'd just shared. When we broke the shitty kiss we just sat there panting, somewhere beyond words. There was just one thought on my mind, but it took a few seconds for it to bubble up out of my shit congested brain. One thought, one word, "More."

Sword sprung and tackled me to the mat. "Now I'm gonna feed you straight from the source, fucker. You're gonna love it," he said. He got up and squatted over my face. What a view! His tight white ass framed by the black rubber chaps was coming down on my face and I wanted it bad! I reached up and grabbed his hips, guiding him down. I raised my head, tongue out. Contact! I felt the soft hairs in his ass crack tickle the bridge of my nose as I sunk my face into his crack. I licked and dug with my tongue until I felt the rosebud of his ass.

I wrapped my lips around the hole and started to suck. I dug with my tongue and massaged it with my lips. I felt his ass tense and then he blew a little fart. The smell was amazing, it flooded my senses. At this close range it was ten times more intense than any fart I'd ever smelt before. I worked his hole even harder and was rewarded with a trickle of thick wet butt-slime. I swallowed it down.

Now I'd forced my tongue as deep into his hole as I could reach and I felt the beginning of his load. It slid down his chute with excruciating slowness. When I knew it had reached the lips I pulled my face back so I could watch it emerge.

His ass-lips flexed and quivered and then started to spread. First all I could see was the brown dot of the tip of the turd surrounded by his pink lips. Slowly, the turd emerged and the ass-lips spread. I could see that it was lighter in color than mine had been and the smell was sweeter too. It was just a shade darker than peanut butter. Once it reached a couple of inches out of his hole I could see that it was at full width of just a little more than an inch. I moved in and grabbed it with my mouth and tongue. Right away I found out his shit was even more different from mine than it looked. It was a soft paste in my mouth, smooth and creamy. The taste was indescribable. Bitter yet sweet. Decaying but fresh. Above all, strong and rich.

Slowly I felt his shit-paste ooze into my mouth. I sucked at his hole and the thick mush glued itself to my tongue and cheeks. I worked the thick goo around in my mouth and tried to swallow some of it down. I gagged and my gut clenched. Just short of panic I squeezed his hips in a vise-like grip and concentrated on getting control. He stopped the flow. My mouth watered hard and some of the shit oozed back out of my

face, smearing into his crack. Swallowing hard and fast the paste started to go down. It was so thick I felt it clogging my throat. Determined, I kept swallowing it down. Sword rose and flipped around, hanging his dick in my face. Gratefully I took his hose in my mouth and accepted his gift of piss. He fed me a warm, sweet stream that cleared my throat in a few swallows.

I fell back, panting. He got down over me and smothered my face with an open-mouthed kiss. I felt his tongue digging deep into my mouth, hunting for the clods of shit that remained and greedily sucking them back out.

"Arrgh!" I growled when he broke the kiss.

"Ready for more, man?" he asked, sitting back on his haunches and smacking his lips.

"Yeah," I said, "Gimme that ass again fucker." I was over the line now and I was going all the way.

He turned and presented his ass to me again. It was a radically different picture this time, his smooth white cheeks were streaked with dark brown from my hands and lighter smears of his earlier shit. The crack was obscured, plastered over with the mess from my earlier feeding. I took a few slow, deep breaths, enjoying the view, relishing the smell, and taking stock of the situation. I moved in on the crack and dug a furrow with my tongue. I sucked down that mouthful and went in for another. Feverishly I excavated his crack until I could once again see his puckered pink lips. I sat back and sucked my mouth clear -- the thick paste still didn't go down easily and I could feel the trail of it clear down my throat to my stomach. Once my mouth was clear I chilled out for a few seconds, breathing deep.

"I gotta go man! Get in there!" Sword said, forcing the issue by reaching back, grabbing my head, and slamming my face back into his ass. Willingly, I met his hole open mouthed and started sucking. Once again, the thick paste oozed out of his dirty hole and into my mouth. Better prepared this time, I just kept on sucking. Sword's crap started a sensuous continuous flow across my tongue, down my throat, and into my sewer-pit stomach. The thick sludge kept flowing and I kept swallowing. I felt the weight of it gathering in my belly. I was nearly stuffed with my first shitmeal.

"This is the last of it man, keep it in your mouth so we can both share it," Sword said.

I closed my throat and the flow kept coming strong. I felt the shit fill my mouth and start to ooze out and fill my cheeks. By the time he stopped my cheeks were bulging out and I had a massive load of thick pasty crap in my mouth.

I laid back and Sword sat on my belly facing me. I opened my mouth wide and felt trickles of drool overflow the brown pit of my mouth and

run down my chin. "Awww, fuck man, that's beautiful," Sword said. He leaned down and licked the drool away and then scooped a gob of shit out of my open mouth. He smacked his lips and opened his mouth, showing the thick strings of shit paste sticking his tongue to the roof of his mouth.

Suddenly, my gut lurched again as my gag reflex kicked back in. In a flash, Sword glued his mouth to mine. I couldn't hold back any longer and with the next spasm the giant load of crap in my mouth exploded into his. We were face to face and I could see his eyes widen with the force of the flow. I kept my bellyful but gave him just about everything that was in my mouth. Slime ran freely from our lips and across both our faces. He closed his lips, sat up, and threw his head back, now fighting his own battle to hold onto the load he'd taken. I watched his washboard abs flex and his throat tighten. Just watching him fight it was so damn hot!

Just as I caught my breath he came back down to me, cheeks still bulging out with the load, and locked onto my lips. I opened my mouth and he squeezed the load of mush back into my mouth.

Suddenly, I saw Sword's eyes go wide and, at the same time, felt a hot, wet stream start washing down my back.

"What the FUCK are you two pigs doing?" Skull's voice rang out.

I spun around, surprised, and saw Skull towering over me, his dick still spraying a stream of hot piss. I coughed the load of shit out of my mouth in shock. The shit exploded out of my mouth and caught Skull at crotch level. I heard Sword start laughing behind me.

"Son of a BITCH," Skull screamed. He stepped forward, grabbed my head, and slammed his now filthy dick down my throat. "Clean that up, bastard," he commanded me. "Clean it up good."

It was a big fucking dick and filthy with the load of shit I'd blown all over his crotch. Each time he pulled my face down on his prick my nose was smashed into his shit-caked pubes. He was merciless in ramming his cock deep down my throat. Several times I started to gag, but it didn't really matter - he just kept fucking my face relentlessly.

Sword was still laughing his ass off behind me, and I heard him come closer to Skull and I. He stood behind me and leaned over, kissing Skull hard on the lips. Skull eased up a little on his ramming my face with that and I almost had a chance to catch my breath. I swallowed a few times to clear my throat, feeling the slime slide on down to my sewer pit of a stomach. Sword must have been doing a pretty good job of distracting Skull, because now Skull all but stopped slamming his dick down my throat. With the easing I started to really enjoy my labors. I'd cleaned nearly all the shit of Skull's dick so I pulled my mouth off the rod and started slurping the rest of the shit off his crotch. I combed his pubes with my teeth and then started to lick down

the insides of his thighs. Skull's growls and moans told me he was enjoying the hell out of the attention that Sword and I were giving him. Nothing like a couple of hot mouths to sooth the savage beast.

I let loose a big belch and was nearly smothered by the fumes that came up. It was a reprise of the stench and acrid flavor of every bit of shit that had gone down my throat. I gasped for air until I recovered and then went right back to cleaning Skull's crotch. The hunger was on me and I wanted more of that shit.

Sword gave a little shove and pushed Skull off balance. All three of us tumbled to the mat in a pig pile with Skull on the bottom. Immediately, Skull started cussing again, "Bastard! Get off me, fucker!" He struggled and fought until the three of us lay untangled on the mat. Sword threw himself over Skull and pinned him to the mat. Skull struggled but was held.

"Feed him," Sword encouraged me, "Shit on his pretty fucking face. Smother him if he won't swallow."

"No! Fuck, No! Slimy Bastards! Don't you fucking dare!" Skull ranted at the suggestion.

Sword laughed and said, "Do it! I've got him."

I hesitated, but saw that Skull's face showed more humor than anger and moved in to squat over his face. I reached down and grabbed his face, holding him still. He fought half-heartedly, still cursing loudly. I started to bear down and push a load of shit out onto his face. I could hear the shit squeeze out of my ass, even over the other men's heavy breathing and between Skull's outbursts.

"Fuck!" Skull shouted. "Fuck!" He tried to twist his head to the side, but I held him fast, getting a little revenge for the abuse he'd given me earlier.

My shit fell with a splat onto his face and that shut him up for a moment. Slowly, I lowered my ass. I felt the warm ooze of the shit as my crack hit the pile I'd just dropped on Skull's face. I pushed down more and really ground the shit into his face. He continued to make angry noises but they were pretty well muffled by my ass and the load of shit plastering his face.

"Yeah, fucker, take it!" Sword called out to Skull. Skull struggled at first but then he quieted and I felt his mouth open and his tongue start to work my hole. It felt damn good. I reached around and gently laid my hand over his throat. I felt his adam's apple bobbing as he swallowed my shit. He was doing it! The tough skin bastard was eating my shit!

Skull and Sword were squirming against each other urgently. There was still enough left of the shit I'd sprayed over Skull's crotch to work as a lube and I realized they were both working to come. I reached

down and scooped a handful of my shit out of the pile on Skull's cheek and started to use it as a lube to jack my own hard cock.

I watched as Skull spat a juicy mouthful of shit spit into Sword's face. "Aw, you fucker!" Sword screamed at him. I laughed as Sword grabbed a mouthful of my shit off Skull's cheek and spat it back right into Skull's face. "Fucker! Skull screamed. They were squirming as they both locked faces and started to kiss hard. I knew they were probably tounge wrestling my shit back and forth and I could tell they were both close to coming.

I felt my shit caked balls pull up and tighten as I got close to shooting my own load. "Fuck, fuck, fuck," I screamed. "Cummon fuckers! Cummon!"

"Yeaahhrg," was all Sword could manage as he came. His body twiched and spasmed.

"Shitty Fuckers!" Skull yelled as he too shot his load all over Sword's belly.

"Oh fuck yeah," I yelled as I came. "Fuck yeah!" My whole body jerked tight and I fell to my knees. My cum flew across the two joined skins on the mat as I gave my cock a few final hard jerks.

There were a few minutes of near silence. We were all three panting like we'd just run a race. Sword recovered first and sat up next to me. Absentmindedly he stroked his hand up and down my body, smearing through the accumulated filth and cum. "Well, mate, I think we did it..."

"Yeah, how's that?" Skull came back.

"I think we've converted this one," Sword replied.

"Aww, fuck, I don't know mate," Skull replied, "I think we'll have to test him a few more times to be sure."

We laughed and all came together in a three-way shity embrace on the mat. We laid there for a time and, before long, we all slept.

1023. ** MMMonVHF Newsletter / No.1 - WEEK 43/2011 **

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Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our lastet NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2011-10-27
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter, once a week (thursday)
from now on - if any special activities will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further detail please be so kind and watch our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you vy welcome for any
input and we do hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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** MMMonVHF VHF-DATABASE Issue 4.00 **

Dear VHF-DATABASE-friends,

a year is over again and we will be able to spread around a new
issue of the VHF-DATABASE. From now on we decide to spread it to
every User of MMMonVHF in the download area, free of any fee!
(of course if you wants to support MMMonVHF you are welcome - in
this case please do contact Guido, DL8EBW... thank you in advance)

All necessary details you be able to find at our MMMonVHF FORUM at:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/minibb/index.php?action=vtopic&forum=3

So you are welcome to implement the Base into standard spreadsheet
programs as well as into the VQLog (EA6VQ Logbook program), UCX-Log
(written by DL7UCX) and the contest programs OHTest (written by
OH6HFX) and TUCNAK (written by OK1ZIA).

Please login at your account at MMMonVHF and goto "Downloads" :
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/download.php If you are log in, here you be
able to find all "free of charge" downloads and from today on, as
well the "big MMMonVHF VHF-DATABASE" - enjoy it
The VHF-DATABASE of MMMonVHF and as well all the three different
MS-DATABASES are DAILY(!) available and refreshed from now on!

We stop distributing the DATABASE for the DXClusterï¿½s because
we have had only low requests in the past years! Sorry for that!

SOURCE: Guido, DL8EBW, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

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Again this year F1DUZ and F6APE will catch the moon from Guadeloupe
Island as FG4KH (FK96HF). It will be an only 70cm activity, the
first one in FG. We will use JT65B but also CW, with the hope that
some big guns will be able to copy us in this mode. The setup:
FT897D LNA SP7000 Solid state amplifier 300w 2x 17 elements DK7ZB
More infos will follow. A dedicated website with a log on line is
under construction, link below. 73
SOURCE: tnx to Phil, F1DUZ, direct to MMMonVHF

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** H40, TEMOTU PROVINCE in 2012 **

German operators Peter/DG1FK and Sigi/DK9FN will once again return
to Temotu Province for a third time and be active as H40FK (PSK/
RTTY) and H40FN (CW), respectively. Activity will again be from
Lata Motel on Nendo Island (OC-100) between February 7-20th, 2012.
Operations will probably be on 160-6 meters depending on the band
conditions. QSL H40FN via HA8DD, and H40FK via DG1FK.
Source: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1032

** PA6Z qrv from Guernsey **

Members of the Dutch DX-pedition & contestgroup PA6Z are planning
a DXpedition from 23 till 30 October 2011 to the isle of Guernsey
(IOTA EU-114, WLOTA 0013), using the callsign MU/PA9M. They will
be active from 160-6 metre CW and SSB. The team will stay at Les
Maingys the Headquarters of the Bailiwick of Guernsey Scout
Association (WW Loc. IN89RL). The DXpedition will operate 24 hours
a day from a maximum 7 individual stations, as band conditions
permit. During the operation, the CQWW DX SSB Contest takes place

(29-30 October). The team will participate in the contest on all bands, as a Multi-Multi entry. Operators include Marcel PA9M, Frank PA4N, Jelmer PA5R, Dervin PD9DX, Arbo PH0AS, Arend PA2AWU and Dick PA4VHF. QSL via PA9M, direct or bureau. No e-QSL! Further info on their website at: www.pa6z.nl/guernsey2011/ [NG3K]
SOURCE: ICPO Bulletin (21-28 October 2011)

** 3XY, GUINEA **

The 3XY1D team is now active until November 1st. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. As of 0738z, October 23rd, the 3XY1D operation has made 16984/QSOs (3316/SSB, 13443/CW, 77/PSK and 148/RTTY). Online logs are available at: http://www.dl7df.com/3xy1d/index.html QSL via DL7DF, direct or by the Bureau. SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1033

** VK, AUSTRALIA, Special Event **

The Scout Member Amateur Radio Team (SMART) will use the special call VI6CHOGM from the "Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting" (CHOGM) in Perth from Oct 28-30. Listen for them in SSB, PSK31, SSTV and maybe also some CW on the usual "World Scout" QRGs on 80m-6m. QSL via bureau (see QRZ.com). Internet: http://www.vi6chogm.com SOURCE: [DXNL] DXNL 1751 (Oct 26, 2011)

** XV, VIETNAM, on HF and 50 MHz **

Retu, OH4MDY (OX3RZ/XU7MDY/XV2MDY), will once again be active as XV2RZ from Southeast Vietnam between November 1st and December 12th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using the "normal modes" (CW and SSB). QSL only direct via OH4MDY with a SASE and 2 USDs. His log will be available online at: http://www.clublog.org
SOURCE: [GOLIST] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1033

** 8Q, MALDIVES, on HF and 50 MHz **

Members of the Russian "Ural Contest Group" (UCG) will be active as 8Q7DV during both the CQWW DX Contests (CW and SSB) as follows: Operator Vadim, R9DX, will operate the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Single-Op entry. Activity outside of the contest will be on 160-6 meters using a Elecraft K3, Acom 2000 and vertical antennas. * Operators Vadim/R9DX, Igor/UA9CDC, Vitaly/RN4WA, Igor/RA9CMO and Sergei/UA9CGA will operate during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Multi-Op entry. Activity outside of both contests will be mainly on 160/80 meters. However, they also plan to be active on 30/17/12/6 meters bands. QSL both

operations via R9DX (ex-UA9CLB). Take a look at their previous
operations at: http://radio-8q7dv.narod.ru
SOURCE: [GOLIST] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1033

** Castle Havre (WCA ON-00102, BCA HT-041) in the Air **

The group ON5HY will be active on the 29th of October 2011 from
the Castle Havre (WCA ON-00102, BCA HT-041). They plan to work on
40 and 20 metre CW/SSB and 2 metres (local stations). QSL via
bureau or direct (SASE) to ON5HY. [ON4KEP]
SOURCE: ICPO Bulletin (21-28 October 2011)

** NEWSLETTER-DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF week **

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next WEDNESDAY 2359 UTC ...

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Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

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1024. Re: get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-27 19:07:21 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <b9a2e054-5a78-4be0-b1f0-dd51e9170625@l12g2000vby.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4066
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner.flame_fest,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.cb

On Oct 23, 2:06 pm, kb9rqz <m...@kb9rqz.com> wrote:
> On Oct 23, 1:54 pm, kb9rqz <m...@kb9rqz.com> wrote:
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> > On Oct 23, 12:26 am, "Anon" <anon@anon> wrote:
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> > > Mark suffers from a severe gender identity crisis.
> > > One day he is "straight", the next day he is bisexual, and the next day he
> > > can't decide.
>
> > wrong- Hide quoted text -
>
> - Show quoted text -

1025. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-27 19:24:16 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <35f97dfa-e0a8-41cc-9c5e-935dd34b8f5d@n38g2000yqm.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4065
Cross-posted to: alt.slack,alt.radio.scanner.flame_fest,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.cb

On Oct 27, 2:08 am, Gav.Mor...@usa.com wrote:
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1026. Re: get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-27 19:25:21 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <51a2ff85-336a-44e7-9538-694d73f1442c@f5g2000vbz.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4064
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.shortwave,comp.os.os2.advocacy

On Oct 23, 2:07 pm, kb9rqz <m...@kb9rqz.com> wrote:
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1027. The ARRL Letter for October 27, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-28 00:32:53 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20111027201003.67C9C25D5B@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 4067
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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==> + BPL: FCC TIGHTENS BPL INTERFERENCE RULES -- BUT NOT BY ENOUGH

On October 24, 2011, the FCC released the Second Report and Order in
its proceeding -- now in its 9th year -- to adopt rules for Access
Broadband over Power Line (BPL) systems. The Second Report and Order is
the final step in the Commission's effort to comply with the directives
of the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia
Circuit, which in April 2008 ordered the FCC to correct errors it had
committed in the course of adopting rules in 2004. The Court acted in
response to a Petition for Review filed by the ARRL.

In July 2009, the FCC issued a Request for Further Comment and
Further Notice of Proposed Rule Making in which it proposed slight
modification of measurement standards for determining whether a BPL
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system is in compliance with the maximum allowable levels of radiated emissions. In response, the ARRL argued that coupled with a scientifically valid extrapolation factor for determining those levels, mandatory notching of the amateur bands to a level 35 dB below the general emission limit would reduce the likelihood of harmful interference to amateur stations to a level that would permit any remaining harmful interference to be remedied on a case-by-case basis. The ARRL noted that its request for mandatory notching simply reflected the best practices of the BPL industry.

In the Second Report and Order, the Commission decided not to adopt its own proposal and also declined to adopt the ARRL's request for mandatory notching. Instead, the Commission has increased the requirement for BPL systems to be able to notch frequency bands to at least 25 dB, an increase of 5 dB from the existing requirement of 20 dB. The Commission also made technical adjustments to its rules for determining the distance between a power line and a measurement antenna and for determining site-specific extrapolation factors. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-tightens-bpl-interference-rules-but-not-by-enough>.

==> + ON THE AIR: 2011 ARRL CW SWEEPSTAKES -- ARE YOU READY?

Steeped in tradition and still as exciting as ever, the 78th Annual ARRL Sweepstakes offers US and Canadian operators a fun-filled contest opportunity again this fall. First up is CW Sweepstakes during the weekend of November 5-7. "Last year's CW Sweepstakes provided some great activity with a number of new regional and divisional records," said ARRL Sweepstakes Contest Manager Larry Hammel, K5OT. "But you don't have to have a huge station with large antennas to have fun in Sweepstakes. Maybe you have 100 W and a backyard dipole or vertical. Or perhaps the challenge of a 5 W QRP effort hits your hot button this year. You will be amazed at the number of stations you can work as you trade exchanges all over the continent." ICOM is the Principal Awards Sponsor for the ARRL November Sweepstakes. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/2011-arrl-cw-sweepstakes-are-you-ready>.

==> + ARDF UPDATE: NEW MEXICO HOSTS SUCCESSFUL FOXHUNTING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Results of the USA's 11th national championships of Amateur Radio Direction Finding (ARDF) are in the record books. Members of Albuquerque Amateur Radio Club went all out to provide a top-notch experience for fans of on-foot transmitter hunting, also called radio-orienteering and foxtailing. They came from 10 states and four other nations to see who would win medals by finding transmitters in the forests of central and northern New Mexico. From September 14-18, competitors took to the woods with directional antennas and receivers. They navigated not with GPS sets, but with maps and compasses. Their goal was to find all of their required transmitters and to get to the finish line in the shortest elapsed time. For fairness, the organizers didn't disclose the exact sites of the competition in advance. That kept anyone from doing advance reconnaissance in person or via Google

Earth. Competitors boarded buses on Saturday and Sunday mornings, not knowing where there were going. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/ardf-update-new-mexico-hosts-successful-foxhunting-championships>.

==> + DXCC DESK OFFERS SPECIAL "PAPER APPLICATION OFFER" FOR ST0R QSLS

DXers around the world are now receiving QSL cards for the 2011 ST0R operation from the new DXCC entity of South Sudan. With next year's publishing deadline for 2011 results fast approaching on December 31, 2011, the ARRL DXCC Desk is offering a special reduced price option for those DXCC participants who have already made at least one application during 2011.

To take advantage of this offer, you must have already made a submission in the 2011 calendar year via either Logbook of The World (LoTW <http://www.arrl.org/logbook-of-the-world>) or via a traditional paper application. If you have already made an application in 2011, you may then submit a paper ST0R QSL (no other cards -- just the ST0R South Sudan card) following these rules:

- Enclose $5 (check, money order, credit card number or cash at your risk) for amateurs in the US.
- Enclose $6 (check, money order, credit card number or cash at your risk) for amateurs who reside outside the US.
- Enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope for the return of the ST0R card.
- This special submission is only for the ST0R card.
- If any other card(s) are included, this will be considered a full submission subject to full fees, even if you already submitted in 2011.
- These submission conditions apply only if you have already made a submission in 2011 and this offer does not apply if you have not yet made your 2011 submission. All DXCC fees are in effect, as you can include this card with your regular submission.

This special offer expires on December 31, 2011 and will not be extended into 2012. If you have any questions concerning these procedures, please contact ARRL Awards Branch Manager Bill Moore, NC1L, via e-mail <nc1l@arrl.org>.

==> + ARRL WEBINAR SCHEDULED FOR NOVEMBER 3: HAMS, EMERGENCIES AND THE NEWS

ARES® and emergency groups have had their hands full in the past months. Time and time again, Amateur Radio has been called upon to provide emergency communications. In some places, the hams made the news and were highly praised, while in other places, the community never knew they were there because no one worked with the news media. On November 3, The ARRL's national Public Relations Committee will present a 90 minute webinar -- Hams, Emergencies and the News. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/special-arrl-webinar-scheduled-for-november-3-em-ha

ms-emergencies-and-the-news-em>.

==> ARES®/NTS STUDY: ECAC SUBMITS INTERIM REPORT

ARES® and the National Traffic System (NTS) exist as the League's implementation of the basic principle stated in Part 97.1(a): "Recognition and enhancement of the value of the Amateur Service to the public as a voluntary non-commercial communication service, particularly with respect to providing emergency communications.' The ARRL Board of Directors' Programs and Services Committee (PSC) tasked the League's Emergency Communications Advisory Committee (ECAC) to recommend improvements to ARES® and NTS so that the Amateur Service can better serve the public in providing emergency communications. Assigned study topics include, but are not limited to, ARES® and NTS objectives and organizational structures, integration between ARES® and NTS, training, certification, and credentialing, and relationships with served agencies. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/ares-nts-study-ecac-submits-interim-report>.

==> NOW YOU KNOW: THE NATIONAL TRAFFIC SYSTEM

The American Radio Relay League was founded in 1914 because Hiram Percy Maxim could not get a message via wireless from Hartford, Connecticut to Springfield, Massachusetts -- a distance of only about 30 miles. He had to rely on another wireless operator in Agawam, Massachusetts to relay his message to its intended recipient. This was the very beginning of what is now the National Traffic System (NTS). But what is the NTS?

The Public Service Communications Manual <http://www.arrl.org/public-service-communications-manual> defines the NTS as "a structure that allows for rapid movement of message traffic from origin to destination and training amateur operators to handle written traffic and participate in directed nets. These two objectives are the underlying foundations of the NTS. It's a system that operates daily, even continuously, with advanced digital links."

The NTS consists of operators who usually participate for one or two periods a week, and some who are active daily. The National Traffic System is an organized effort to handle traffic in accordance with a plan that is easily understood, and employs modern methods of network traffic handling. The NTS is not intended as a deterrent or competition for the many independently organized traffic networks. When necessitated by overload or lack of outlet for traffic, the facilities of such networks can function as alternate traffic routings where this is indicated in the best interest of efficient message relay and/or delivery.

One of the most important features of NTS is the system concept. No NTS net is an independent entity that can conduct its activities without concern for or consideration of other NTS nets. Each net performs its function and only its function in the overall organization. If nets

fail to perform their functions or perform functions intended for other nets, the overall system may be adversely affected. Nets may sometimes find it necessary to adopt temporary measures to ensure the movement of traffic.

According to ARES® E-Letter <http://www.arrl.org/ares-el> Editor Rick Palm, K1CE, the best way to get to know the National Traffic System is to hook up with a local NTS traffic net in your area where messages (Radiograms) are entered and others are accepted for delivery by mail or phone. Local clubs, repeater groups and ARES operators are all good sources for local info on NTS activity.

==> + FCC, FEMA, NOAA TO CONDUCT FIRST NATIONWIDE TEST OF EMERGENCY ALERT SYSTEM

The FCC, in coordination with the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, will conduct the first nationwide test of the Emergency Alert System (EAS) at 2 PM EST (1900 UTC) Wednesday, November 9. According to FEMA, EAS participants -- broadcasters, satellite and digital radio and television providers, and cable and wireline video providers -- "provide a critical public service to the nation as the resilient backbone of alert and warning when all other means of communication are unavailable." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-fema-noaa-to-conduct-first-nationwide-test-of-emergency-alert-system>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "There has to be an invisible Sun <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6OSIrJbkrPQ>" Cook, K7RA, reports: On Friday, October 21, the daily sunspot number broke another record for Solar Cycle 24 when it rose to 207. You have to look back to November 26, 2003 when it was two points higher - 209 -- to find a number at least as high. Last Thursday, the daily sunspot number was 195, another record until the following day. The average daily sunspot number for the week was off by two points to 156.6, while the average daily solar flux rose nearly 8 points to 151.8. Propagation on HF is quite exciting right now, with 10 meters opening up worldwide daily. The predicted solar flux is 130 on October 27-29, 125 on October 30-November 3, 120 on November 4-5, and then 125 and 130 for November 6-7 and 135 on November 8-10. Flux values for the near term are expected to peak at 165 on November 17-18. The predicted planetary A index is 5, 7, 8 and 10 on October 27-30 and 5 on October 31-November 3, 8 on November 4-5 and 5 on November 6-10. Geophysical Institute Prague predicts quiet to unsettled conditions October 28, unsettled October 29, quiet to unsettled October 30 and quiet October 31 through November 3. Look for more information on the ARRL website on Friday, October 28. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by The Police's Invisible Sun

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Invisible_Sun>.

==> + SILENT KEY: FORMER ARRL MIDWEST DIVISION VICE DIRECTOR C. RICHARD DYAS, W0JCP

Former Midwest Division Vice Director C. Richard Dyas, W0JCP, of Oxford, Nebraska, passed away October 17. He was 90. Dyas -- a Charter ARRL Life Member -- was first elected Vice Director in 1975 and began his term on January 1, 1976. He resigned in 1985 to take care of his wife. In 1987, when then-ARRL Midwest Division Vice Director Richard Ridenour, KB0ZL, resigned, then-ARRL President Larry Price, W4RA, appointed Dyas to serve Ridenour's unexpired term. Dyas was laid to rest on October 21 with military honors by Oxford American Legion Post 219 in conjunction with the US Army National Guard Military Honors Team.

==> THIS WEEK ON THE RADIO

This week:

- October 29-30 -- CQ Worldwide DX Contest (SSB); 50 MHz Fall Sprint

Next week:

- November 5-6 -- Ukrainian DX Contest
- November 5-7 -- ARRL Sweepstakes Contest (CW)
<http://www.arrl.org/news/2011-arrl-cw-sweepstakes-are-you-ready>
- November 6 -- High Speed Club CW Contest; DARC 10 Meter Digital Contest
- November 9-10 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- November 6, 2011 -- ARRL Iowa Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/iowa-section-convention>, Davenport, Iowa
- November 19-20, 2011 -- ARRL Indiana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/indiana-state-convention-fort-wayne-hamfest-and-computer-expo>,
Fort Wayne, Indiana
- December 3-4, 2011 -- ARRL West Central Florida Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-central-florida-section-convention-tampa-bay-hamfest-1>,
Palmetto, Florida
- January 8, 2012 -- ARRL New York/Long Island Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/new-york-long-island-section-convention-ham-rad

io-university-2012>,
Bethpage, New York
- January 27-28, 2012 -- ARRL Mississippi State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/mississippi-state-convention-capitol-city-hamfe
st-1>,
Jackson, Mississippi
- February 4, 2012 -- ARRL Virginia State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/virginia-state-convention-frostfest-2012>,
Richmond, Virginia; ARRL South Carolina State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/south-carolina-state-convention-1>,
Ladson, South Carolina
- February 10-12, 2012 -- ARRL Northern Florida Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/northern-florida-section-convention-orlando-ham
cation-1>,
Orlando, Florida
- February 17-18, 2012 -- ARRL Southwestern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southwestern-division-convention-1>,
Yuma, Arizona
- February 18, 2012 -- ARRL Arkansas Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arkansas-section-convention-1>, Hoxie,
Arkansas
- February 25, 2012 -- ARRL Vermont State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/vermont-state-convention-ham-con-2>,
South Burlington, Vermont

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1028. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1785 - October 28 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-28 09:00:13 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20111028090003.EFE9D33C91@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4068
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1785 - October 28 2011

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1785 with a release date of
Friday, October 28th, 2011 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Hams respond following a killer earthquake
in Turkey; the FCC again approves Access BPL without much protection to
any High Frequency operations including ham radio; the FCC, FEMA and
NOAA to hold the first ever national E-A-S test on November 9th and
Dayton announces the theme for Hamvention 2012. Find out what it is on
Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1785 coming your way right
now.

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RESCUE RADIO: HAM RADIO RESPONDS TO EARTHQUAKE IN TURKEY

Amateur radio operators again became communications first responders on
October 23rd. This after a magnitude 7.2 earthquake struck the Van
region of Eastern Turkey. Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP,
has whats known so far:

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News reports indicate that Ercis, a city of 75,000 in the mountainous
province close to the Iranian border was hardest hit. As this report
is being prepared the death toll stands at more than 450. Tens of
thousands have been left homeless and even more have lost all means of
communications.

To assist with the latter, hams associated with the Turkish national
amateur radio society TRAC are responding to assist with communications
in the quake devastated area. There are several frequencies in use on
the High Frequency bands being used to link with Turkish government
relief resources with some of the frequencies in use located outside
the amateur bandplan. This will be the standard until more equipment
gets to the region. When that happens, more traffic should move to the
normal Emergency Communications Centre of Activity frequencies.

In the meantime, hams world-wide are asked to avoid the emergency
traffic happening on 7.092 MHz on 40 meters. Also note that upper
sideband is being used to allow communications with government
stations.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP, in Scottsdale, Arizona.

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As we go to air, close to 500 aftershocks have been recorded in the area since the earthquake. More amateur radio emergency communications information will be posted on the Turkish Wireless and Radio Amateur Society web pages when it is made available. These are in cyberspace at tinyurl.com/TRACwebsite (IARU Region 1)

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RADIO RULES: FCC TURNS IT BACK TO HAM RADIO CONCERNS IN APPROVING MODIFIED BPL RULES

The Federal Communications Commission has affirmed its rules for Broadband over Power Lines or Access BPL with only minor modifications that do little to protect the Amateur Radio service and other High Frequency users from severe to intolerable interference.

According to the Second Report and Order issued by the FCC on October 25th, the rules it has created to govern Access BPL provide what it calls an appropriate balance between the dual objectives of providing for Access BPL technology that has potential applications for broadband and Smart Grid while protecting incumbent radio services against harmful interference.

Those incumbent radio services primarily comprise amateur radio operators and other users of the High Frequency spectrum. Hams started arguing against Access BPL when the commission first adopted rules for it in 2004, saying that in geographic areas where it was in trial that it severely interfered with their operations.

The American Radio and Relay League filed a lawsuit against the FCC in federal court, seeking full access to unredacted versions of staff technical studies upon which the rules were predicated. The ARRL was victorious. The FCC was ordered to supply the studies, allow public comment, and explain its method for measuring radiated emissions from Access BPL systems.

Now in its Second Report and Order, the commission said the resulting cycle of comments did not warrant any changes to the emissions standards but said that they were making several refinements none-the-less. And minor they are.

The Second Report & Order modifies the rules to increase the required notch filtering capability for systems operating below 30 MHz from 20 to 25 dB. It also establishes a new alternative procedure for determining site specific extrapolation factors and adopts a definition for the slant range distance used in the BPL measurement guidelines to further clarify its application. Slant-range refers to the diagonal distance of a measurement device to an Access BPL transmitter mounted at the top of a power pole.

Access BPL is said to support data rates of more than 500 Mbps and first and last mile ranges of up to 1,500 meters. The commission said that while it endeavored to minimize interference to ham radio operations that it remains a possibility.

In the end the Commission concluded that some cases of harmful interference may be possible from Access BPL emissions at levels at or below the Part 15 limits. However the regulatory agency feels that the potential benefits of Access BPL service warrant acceptance of what they call a negligible risk of harmful interference that can be managed and corrected as needed on a case-by-case basis.

The commission noted that Access BPL provides yet another way to get broadband to the masses. This is one of the key objectives of the Obama Administration, and more recently, the International Telecommunications Union.

The big question now is what action the ARRL might take to stop the poorer forms of Access BPL technology from being deployed. We will all likely learn that in coming weeks. (FCC, RW, Others)

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RESCUE RADIO: FCC-FEMA-NOAA TO HOLD NATIONAL EAS TEST NOVEMBER 9

The first ever national test of the Emergency Activation System, or EAS, will soon take place. This as the FCC, in cooperation with the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration announce that they will conduct a nationwide activation of the system at 2 p.m. Eastern, 11 a.m. Pacific time on Wednesday, November 9th.

According to FEMA, all EAS participants are required to take part. This includes over the air radio and television broadcasters, other television providers, satellite and digital radio along with cable and wire-line video providers.

During the approximate three minute test, radio listeners will hear a message indicating that "This is a test." Although the EAS test may resemble the Routine Monthly EAS Tests or R-M-T's that most of us are already familiar with, there will be some differences in what viewers will see and hear.

While the audio message will be the same for all EAS participants, the video may differ. This is because of certain limitations within the Emergency Activation System itself. As a result, the video test message scroll may not be the same or indicate that "This is a test." According to FEMA's website, this is due to the use of the live E.A.N. code which is the same cipher that would be used in an actual emergency callout.

Although local and state aspects of the Emergency Activation System holds routine weekly and monthly basis, there has never been an end-to-end nationwide test of the system. That will change on November

9th.

The FCC says that it chose that date order to minimize disruption and confusion during the test. This is because it is near the end of hurricane season and before the severe winter weather season begins. Also the 2 p.m. Eastern time broadcast will minimize disruption during rush hours while ensuring that the test occurs during working hours across the nation.

And while personal radio emergency communications groups like ARES, RACES, REACT and the like are not required to take part in this first ever national EAS test, there is the off chance that some may activate as part of local or regional training exercises in resonse to a national EAS alert. (FEMA, FCC, others)

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RADIO LAW: LOADS OF INTRUDERS ON 10 METERS

Meantime, pirate operations are showing up on 10 meters seemingly en mass. Following the improvement in propagation on 10 meters in recent weeks, it appears that there are many illegal users of this band. Most seem to be using low power FM chanalized radios to operate taxi services. Signals mainly seem to come from the western part of Russia.

Information regarding these intrusions is being gathered by RSGB Intruder Watch program. It will be used to support a complaint to the Russian authorities in an attempt to clear this nuisance from what should be an exclusive amateur band.

But all of the intruders may not be Russians. Others are obvious unlicensed operators using A-M and SSB here in North America. These are likely illegal 11 meter export type CB sets sold by unscrupulous dealers here in the United States and elsewhere that only require a tweek or a cut wire to put them onto the 10 meter band. If you hear these operators and have a way to record them, do so and then send the audio file or cassette tape to the FCC Enforcement people with a cover letter stating what you heard and when you heard it. Be as specific as you can. The more information that you can provide to the regulatory agency, the better. (GB2RS, ARNewsline(tm), others)

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>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the N5LEZ repeater serving Wichita Falls, Texas.

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RADIO HISTORY: NATIONAL CAPITAL RADIO & TV MUSEUM IN EXHIBIT SPACE CRUNCH

A suburban Washington D.C. broadcast museum is literally facing a tight future. This due to less and less floor space for its ever increasing supply of exhibit material.

According to The Gazette, the National Capital Radio & Television Museum located in Bowie, Maryland has reached out to Bowie's leaders at a recent City Council meeting. Museum Executive Director Brian Belanger, KB3PRS, asked the members for help in .

Beyond space concerns, Belanger said the facility has other issues. These include a location is not easily reached by bus; a second floor that is not handicap accessible and it lacks climate control.

The private, nonprofit museum is located in the Harmel House, one of Bowie's historic landmark properties. Displays include an early wireless telegraph from Guglielmo Marconi, early crystal sets from the 1920s, Depression-era cathedral radios and more.

Belanger says the museum receives 2,000 visitors per year, and their spending boosts Bowie's economy. In reply to the museum's request, Bowie Mayor G. Frederick Robinson asked for a list of specific needs of the museum. Mayor Robinson added that the council will try to put Belanger together with the right people.

More about the museum and the history it shares with rthe nation and the world is on-line at http://radiohistory.org. The complete story of the museums needs is at tinyurl.com/museum-space. (RW, ARNewsline(tm))

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RADIO LAW: ODESSA TEXAS TO CONSIDER NO TEXTING LAW

Odessa Texas City Council members will consider an ordinance regulating texting while driving during their upcoming meeting 6 p.m.. The ordinance would prohibit drivers from viewing, reading, sending or composing electronic messages or use any other application software such as Internet, games or pictures while driving.

Drivers would be exempt from the prohibition while their vehicle is stopped, if they are dialing for a phone call or ending a phone call, using the cell phone's global navigation system and if the device is on voice-activated or hands-free mode.

The ordinance would also not apply to drivers trying to communicate with an emergency response operator, a fire department, a law enforcement agency, a hospital, a physician's office or a health clinic. (City of Odessa, WV6H)

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ENFORCEMENT: ANOTHER FLORIDA UNLICENSED STATION PROPOSED FINE

The FCC has issued a $15,000 Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture, also known as a proposed fine, to John E. Criteser, Jr.. this for apparently willfully and repeatedly operating an unlicensed radio transmitter on the frequency 95.1 MHz in Lake Park, Florida.

On December 13th, 2010, and this past July 8th, agents from the Enforcement Bureau's Miami Office located the source of radio frequency transmissions on the frequency 95.1 MHz to Criteser's residence. Also, on July 8, 2011, agents from the Miami Office knocked on the door of Mr. Criteser's residence and requested to inspect the radio station located on the premises. The individual who answered the door called for "John" and shut the door. Soon afterward the agents observed that the radio station on 95.1 MHz ceased operation. Approximately 15 minutes later and after repeated knocks, Criteser opened the door, identified himself, and admitted to agents that he was operating a radio station on 95.1 MHz.

Now the FCC is having its say and it says that because Criteser operated this station consciously on more than one day, it finds that the apparent violations were not only willful, but also repeated. And based on the evidence before it, the regulatory agency finds that Criteser is eligible for the base fine of $10,000 for the illegal operation and an additional $5000 because the act was repeated.

Criteser was given the usual 30 days from the October 21st date the order was released to pay or to file an appeal. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: $10000 FINE IN SAN FRANCISCO FOR UNLICENSED OPERATION

Meantime, a similar situation out West where Daniel K. Roberts has been ordered to pay a monetary forfeiture in the amount of $10,000. This for allegedly operating an unlicensed radio broadcast station on 87.9 MHz in San Francisco, California. Amateur Radio Newsline's Don Carlson, KQ6FM, has the details:

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The FCC alleges that Daniel K. Roberts was the operator of Pirate Cat Radio which operated a radio broadcast station without a license issued by that agency. According to the FCC, back in 2008 Roberts began operating Pirate Cat Radio from a radio studio located at the Pirate Cat Caf&#65533; and Studio. At the time the NAL was issued, the Pirate Cat Radio website prominently featured Roberts, and described the radio station as an unlicensed low powered community radio operation located at the same address as the Pirate Cat Caf&#65533; and Studio.

The Enforcement Bureau's San Francisco Office issued numerous warnings and Notices of Unlicensed Operation to Roberts and Pirate Cat Radio concerning the unlicensed operations. These detailed the potential penalties for operating an unlicensed radio station and for further

On August 31, 2009, the San Francisco Office issued a Notice of Apparent Liability to Monetary Forfeiture in the amount of $10,000 to Roberts. This after finding that he apparently willfully and repeatedly violated section 301 of the Communications Act by operating an unlicensed broadcast station. After the issuance of the NAL, the broadcasts on 87.9 MHz in San Francisco ceased.

Roberts filed a response to the proposed fine on October 23, 2009, after receiving an extension of time from the San Francisco Office. In his reply, Roberts acknowledged his involvement with Pirate Cat Radio, but argued that he is not associated with the transmissions of the station. Roberts alleged that the shows were an internet streamed program service and that Pirate Cat Radio was being downloaded and broadcast by third parties. He also claimed that he was financially unable to pay the forfeiture amount, but failed to produce any documentation to support this claim.

But in finding against him, the FCC said that despite some alterations to the Pirate Cat Radio website, Roberts, as the operator of Pirate Cat Radio held himself out as the station manager and held Pirate Cat Radio out as a broadcast station, not just as a source of internet programming. The regulatory agency noted that Roberts solicited funds on the Pirate Cat Radio website stating that donations go towards monthly station cost of running the FM transmitter and help Pirate Cat Radio buy new radio station equipment.

Thev FCC also notes that in August 2009, Roberts accepted a certificate from the San Francisco Board of Supervisors. One which recognized Pirate Cat Radio - and we quote - "for its trailblazing efforts toward freeing the airwaves from corporate control, providing the community with training in radio broadcast skills, empowering voices ignored by traditional media outlets, and contributing to the advancement of the city's coffee culture."

After examining the response the FCC concluded that Roberts willfully and repeatedly violated section 301 of the Communications Act. It added that after considering the entire record in this matter, it found that neither a reduction nor cancellation of the proposed $10,000 forfeiture is warranted.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Don Carlson, KQ6FM, in Reno.

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The FCC has formally ordered Roberts to pay the $10,000 fine within 30 days or take his appeal to the next level. (FCC)

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ON THE AIR: NEW 10 METER ALL DIGITAL NET ANNOUNCED

A new digital mode net to encourage use of these modes on 10 meters will be held every Saturday and Sunday at 1800 UTC. This according to Andrew O'Brien, K3UK, who says via the Digital Radio Yahoo that he is

creating such a weekly gathering after noting that the band is open to distant communications more and more these days.

The net will gather on 28.125 MHz Upper Sideband, plus or minus for QRM, at 1800 UTC. R S ID and Call ID will be used to help people pick out the net and modes used. The Olivia 500/8 mode will be used to call up the net but the it may switch modes as needed.

K3UK says that the gathering will usually run 30 minutes and will try to include some brief announcements relative to digital modes on HF. It will also use the K3UK sked page at www.obriensweb.com/sked for on-line coordination during each session. (K3UK)

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RADIO CELEBRATIONS: GHOST HUNT ON IRLP

The first, and possibly annual, IRLP Ghost Net will take place on Monday, October 31st on reflector 9204. This ghostly net will begin at 00:00 UTC which is 8 p.m. Eastern or 5 p.m. Pacific time. All are welcome to check in, and kids are encouraged to join in the Halloween fun.

(KI6ZON)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: VA3AAR TO CELEBRATE THE 150th BIRTH OF THE INVENTOR oOF BASKETBALL

Special event station VA3AAR, sponsored by Canada's Almonte Amateur Radio Club, will be taking to the air on Sunday, November 6th beginning at 00:00 UTC for a 24 hour operation. This to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the birth of Dr. James Naismith.

Dr. Naismith who was born in 1861 was a Canadian-American sports coach and innovator. He invented the sport of basketball in 1891 and is often credited with introducing the first football helmet. He also wrote the original basketball rulebook, founded the University of Kansas basketball program, and lived to see basketball adopted as an Olympic demonstration sport in 1904 and as an official event at the 1936 Summer Olympics in Berlin.

To honor the Almonte native's accomplishments the Almonte Amateur Radio Club will be operational on 75, 40 and 20 meters from the Mill of Kintail near Dr. Naismith's birthplace. If you contact VA3AAR during this event please QSL direct to VE3NCE, P.O. Box 1644, Almonte, Ontario, K0A 1A0, Canada. More information is at the club website at www.almontearclub.ca. (Almonte ARC)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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CHANGING OF THE GUARD: FORMER ARRL MIDWEST VICE DIRECTOR W0JCP - S.K.

The changing of the guard in amateur radio continues. This with word of the passing of former ARRL Midwest Division Vice Director C. Richard Dyas, W0JCP, of Oxford, Nebraska on October 17th.

Dyas who was a Charter ARRL Life Member was first elected Vice Director in 1975 and began his term on January 1, 1976. He resigned in 1985 to take care of his wife. In 1987, when then-ARRL Midwest Division Vice Director Richard Ridenour, KB0ZL, resigned, ARRL President Larry Price, W4RA, appointed Dyas to serve Ridenour's unexpired term.

Dyas passed away at age 90. He was laid to rest on October 21st with military honors by Oxford American Legion Post 219 in conjunction with the US Army National Guard Military Honors Team. (ARRL)

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RADIO TO SPACE: NASA SEEKING NEW MEMBERS FOR THE ASTRONAUT CORPS

NASA says that it will seek applicants for its next class of astronaut candidates in early November. This, in the face of a National Research Council report that warned the corps was getting too small due to attrition and other factors.

The space agency will not be seeking hundreds of new astronauts. Rather there will be room for between 8 to 12 new members of the Corps. Also, this next class of astronauts won't necessarily be training as pilots. Rather the focus will instead be on long-duration missions aboard the International Space Station.

The class will also include a broad look at such topics as geology and geophysics, Ross said. The quest for astronauts comes on the heels of a September report from the National Research Council, which argued that the United States must maintain a strong astronaut corps, even though human space flight has been temporarily stalled for NASA and many astronauts have retired or quit this year.

Janet Kavandi is the Director of Flight Crew Operations at the Johnson Space Center in Houston, Texas. She says that for scientists, engineers and other professionals who have always dreamed of experiencing spaceflight, this is an exciting time to join the Astronaut Corps.

To learn more or to apply to become an Astronaut please visit astronauts.nasa.gov on the World-Wide-Web. Also remember that with the

30 year history of the SAREX and ARISS programs that holding a valid Amateur Radio license and being an active ham could be a plus for anyone hoping to make it into this elite group of voyagers into the unknown. (NASA)

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RADIO FROM SPACE: ROSAT DE-ORBITS INTO THE BAY OF BENGAL

A follow-up on our story of the imminent return to Earth of a defunct German research satellite. According to news reports, the ROSAT de-orbited on Sunday, October 23rd and crashed into the Bay of Bengal off the coast of India.

Most parts of the minivan sized research satellite were expected to burn up as they hit the atmosphere. However up to 30 fragments weighing a total of 1.87 tons could have crashed onto the planets surface. Luckily that surface turned out to be a watery grave.

ROSAT was an acronym for the R"ntgen Satellite. It was an Xray observatory developed through a cooperative program between Germany, the United States, and the United Kingdom. The satellite was proposed by the Max Planck Institute. It was designed, built and operated in Germany but was launched by the United States on June 1, 1990. The satellites mission actually ended after almost nine years, on February 12, 1999. More about this now fallen bird is on-line at tinyurl.com/rosat-deorbits (NASA)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: RECORDINGS SOUGHT ON PROSPERO SATELLITE

The team working on reactivating the ageing Prospero satellite would appreciate any recording that can be made of the 137.560 MHz downlink. If you hear and can record transmissions heard on that frequency, please send it by email to rjad (at) mssl (dot) ucl (dot) ac (dot) uk. More on Prospero is available at tinyurl.com/prospero-comeback. (ANS)

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ON THE AIR: COLORADO 6 METER BEACON BACK ON THE AIR

The Colorado 6 Meter Beacon is back on the air. This is the beacon that originally maintained by Glenn and Karen Schultz and sported the calls W0IJR and KA0CDN. With the passing of W0IJR, the KA0CDN call will be the sole ID for this machine.

The new beacon was built from the ground up by N0YE, W0BA, N0POH and W6OAL. The operating frequency is 50.065 Mhz. Further information on it can be found on-line at www.rmvhf.org. KA0CDN adds that she would appreciate QSN report's of its reception. (W6OAL)

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DX

In DX, JK1KSB will be on the air as 8Q7SO from Mirihi Island Resort in the Maldives between October 28th and November 3rd. Activity will be holiday style on 80 to 10m using CW, RTTY, SSB and PSK31. QSL via JK1KSB, either via the bureau or to the address on QRZ.com.

I0WDX will be on the air as 8Q7CC from the Maldives between November 2nd to the 12th. A web page for this operation is on-line at dxcoffee.com/8q7cc. QSL via his home callsign, direct only.

DK7PE will be active as TL0CW from the Central African Republic through November 3rd. No information on what modes or frequencies will be used for this one. If you work him, QSL via his home call.

G3RWF will be active as 5X1NH from Uganda for three weeks, starting on November 23rd. He will concentrate on the low bands. QSL via his home callsign.

OS1T will be active as PJ4J on Bonaire Island through November 9th. His focus will be on RTTY, SSB and the WARC bands, but other bands may also be used depending on the propagation. QSL as directed on the air.

GM3WOJ will be activating ZK2V from the island of Niue in the Pacific for the next few months. He will be joined by GM4YXI until the end of October and the call ZK2X will be used in the CQ World Wide SSB Contest. QSL as directed by the respective operators

Lastly, LA9DL and LA6VM will be active from Bhutan using the callsigns A52DL and A52VM, respectively, between November 3rd to the 13th. Operations will be on 80 through 10 meters using IC-7000s and amps. Listen for A52DL to be mainly on PSK and SSB, while A52VM will be mostly on CW. QSL via their home callsigns.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: INTERNATIONALLY CONNECTED ANNOUNCED AS THEME OF HAMVENTIONr 2012

And finally this week word that "Internationally Connected" will be the theme of the 2012 Dayton Hamvention. This according to General Chairman Michael Kalter, W8CI, who says that this premise emphasizes how amateur radio continues to build connections among amateur radio operators from all over the world.

Kalter, who is returning for another year as general chairman, noted that many international attendees return each year to meet other hams that they have talked to on the radio. He says that in 2012 the Hamvention is acknowledging the important role that ham radio plays in promoting this very special international goodwill.

To accomplish this, Kalter says that he has added a new committee whose task will be to make visiting Hamvention even more enjoyable for international guests. Assistant general chairman Joshua Long, KD8BVB, noted that almost all the committee chairman are returning and that

many other volunteers have already committed to making 2012 an even better Hamvention than in years past.

The 2012 Dayton Hamvention 2012 is scheduled for May 18th to the 20th at its longtime of of the Hara Arena in suburban Dayton, Ohio. It is the world's largest amateur radio gathering and brings together some 20,000 people to the greater Dayton area each year. More information is already on line at www.Hamvention.org or by e-mail to media (at) Hamvention (dot) org. And less we forget, Amateur Radio Newsline will be there as well. (Dayton Hamventionr)

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Jeff Clark, K8JAC, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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1029. FCC Daily Digest 10/25/2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-28 12:08:59 UTC
From: UberJacker <nohijack@houston-hunks.com>
Message-ID: <dfdc1721-953c-4042-8292-b9410c8a6bc9@gk10g2000vbb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4069
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner.flame_fest,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.cb

I like this subject better.

1030. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 30 October 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-28 15:00:15 UTC
From: Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk
Message-ID: <20111028150004.A8EB333C91@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4070
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 30 October 2011

The news headlines:

* Amateurs help Turkish earthquake relief

* T32C sets new QSO record

* K4LCD gets special LF permit

On 23 October an earthquake struck the Van region of Eastern Turkey. Radio Amateurs from the Turkish national society, TRAC, are responding to assist with communications in the area. Please avoid causing QRM to emergency traffic on 7.092MHz USB. USB is being used to allow communications with a government station.

The Five Star DXers Association T32C DXpedition to Christmas Island has now finished. Despite initial difficulties with their container of equipment not reaching the island, the team finished with over 213,000 contacts and this is the first time an expedition has exceeded 200,000 QSOs, congratulations to all involved. Of that total, it looks like there were 48,914 individual callsigns worked. The total number of QSOs into Europe was 59,692. As the team start making their way back home more details will become available.

The FCC has issued an Experimental License grant to K4LCD to operate on 130kHz and 500kHz with the callsign WF2XXQ. The permit is valid until 1 October 2016 and is tied to the ongoing Very Low Frequency Amateur Radio Experiment. More information is available online at tinyurl.com/4235u7s.

A well known low cost airline has added Manchester to their routes flying to Memmingen in Germany. This may be of interest to those thinking of travelling to the HamTronic amateur radio exhibition, because Friedrichshafen is about an hour's drive from Memmingen. It is also possible to make the journey by train. The show will take place in Friedrichshafen from 22 to 24 June 2012.

Due to an administrative mistake, last week's GB2RS Rallies and Events and Local News contained incorrect information. The editorial team apologise unreservedly for the inconvenience this caused. The procedure for preparing Local News has now been revised and the chance of a re-occurrence has been significantly reduced.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

Today, 30 October, is the second day of the North Wales Rally is at John Bright School, Llandudno LL30 1LF. Opening at 10am, there will be trade stands, a Bring and Buy, catering and disabled facilities. Details from Liz Cabban, GW0ETU on 07760 190 355 or lizcabban@yahoo.co.uk.

Today, 30 October, sees the Holsworthy Amateur Rally at Holsworthy Community College, Victoria Hill, Holsworthy EX22 6JD. Details from Roger Williams, on 07773 983 691.

The Foyle & District ARC Rally will take place on 6 November at the Best Western White Horse Hotel, 68 Clooney Road, Derry BT47 3PA. Doors open at 12 noon and there will be trade stands, the RSGB QSL bureau and IRTS in attendance. The West London Radio & Electronics Show, otherwise known at the Kempton Rally, will take place on 6 November at Kempton Park racecourse, Staines Road East, Sunbury on Thames, Middlesex TW16 5AQ. Doors open at 10am and there will be trade stands, RSGB bookstall and lectures. More information from Paul, M0CJX, on 08451 650 351.

Now for the news of special events

Caddington Scout and Cub group is holding a communication week starting on 14 November to be held at Scout HQ, Dunstable Road, Caddington, Bedfordshire. They will be using the callsign GB1CSC. The station will be run by Mark, G1AYH and he asks that if you hear the Scouts and Cubs, please give them a call.

MM0DHQ will be transmitting from Kilwinning Abbey, in Scotland as part of Castles and Stately Homes on the Air on 1 November. All details can be found at www.cashota.co.uk.

Almonte Amateur Radio Club in Canada will be running a 24 hour special event station, VA3AAR, on 6 November to celebrate the 150th anniversary of James Naismith, the inventor of basketball. A commemorative QSL card will be available.

And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

3XY1D will be on the air from Guinea until 1 November. Operation will be on 6 through to 160 metres using CW, SSB and digital modes. One station will be exclusively dedicated to RTTY, PSK31 and SSTV. QSL via DL7DF, direct or via the bureau.

LA5UF will be on the air from Easter Island as CE0Y/LA5UF between 3 and 11 November. Activity will be on CW and PSK31. QSL only via his home callsign.

A number of WD2XSH 500kHz experimental stations will be on the air on 3 November to mark the 105th anniversary of the Berlin International Radiotelegraphic Convention. According to the ARRL, stations on the 495-510kHz band will call CQ on 500kHz and then QSY to complete the QSO. Stations operating from 461- 478kHz will call CQ on 474.5kHz and then QSY. Special beacons may also be operating from 476-478kHz and 508-510kHz. For a complete list of stations participating in the WD2XSH

experiment, as well as information on how to send your reports, please see the WD2XSH website at www.500kc.com.

Bill, N7OU is operating from the South Cook Islands until 7 November using the callsign E51NOU. He will then travels to the North Cook Islands where he will stay until 22 November. He will be using the same callsign from both DXCC entities so recommends that operators are careful with logbook entries.

TU2T will be on the air from the Ivory Coast until 11 November. Direct QSLs go via I2YSB and bureau cards go via IK2CIO.

VK7ZX will be on the air from King Island off the Tasmania coast from 3 to 7 November, mainly on 20m and 40m. You can find out more at www.kingislandlight150.com. QSL via VK7ZE, either direct or via the bureau.

Now the contest news

Today, 30 October, is the second day of the CQWW DX SSB contest, finishing at 2359UTC. Use SSB on all contest bands from 3.5-28MHz and exchange RST plus Zone, which is 14 for the UK. 1 November sees the 144MHz UK Activity Contest taking place from 2000 to 2230UTC using all modes. The exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

Next weekend, the Marconi CW Contest runs for 24 hours from 1400UTC on the 5th on the 144MHz band. There are 6- and 24-hour sections for single operator fixed stations and all others, so it need not constitute a huge commitment. Incidentally, this contest runs concurrently with an IARU co-ordinated contest. You can submit a single set of logs for entry to both events, because entries will be submitted to the IARU event unless you specifically request otherwise. The exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

And now the solar factual data for the period from the 17th to the 23rd of October, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on the 24th of October

Numerous sunspot groups were visible every day with up to 11 groups on the 17th and the 21st. Most were small and quiet but a couple of groups were large enough and magnetically complex to produce M class solar flares. Solar activity increased to moderate when M class flares took place on the 20th, 21st and the 22nd. On the 22nd a filament erupted producing a coronal mass ejection and hours later another spectacular coronal mass ejection took place with the M class solar flare. Both the STEREO and SOHO spacecraft took some amazing images of both events. Solar flux levels increased from 153 units on the 17th to a new high for this cycle at 168 units by the 21st. The average was 156. The 90 day solar flux average on the 23rd was 122 units, that's four units up on last week. X-ray flux units varied little day to day and the average was B8.8 units. Geomagnetic activity was quiet every day and the average was Ap 5 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds decline from 450 kilometres per second on the 17th to a slow 270 kilometres per second by the 23rd. Particle densities were

low with levels no higher than 5 particles per cubic centimetre during the period. As one would expect, Bz showed little variation every day and only fluctuated between minus and plus 6 nanoTeslas. With the main factors influencing HF propagation even more favourable than in earlier weeks, MUFs at times verged on 40MHz and all continents were again workable up to 28MHz.

Over recent days some strange propagation as taken place on 28MHz with stations heard and worked at good signal strengths with distances between 60 and 200 miles apart within the UK. Also, stations with a distance of between 250 and 300 miles away are much stronger than normal. It would appear not to be Sporadic-E, tropo or backscatter propagation. Many experienced operators have commented that they have never heard anything like this before over many decades.

And now the solar forecast. Looking at the last few solar rotations, this would suggest that the quiet side of the Sun will be looking our way. Solar activity should be mostly low, with only C class solar flares taking place, but an M class flare cannot be totally ruled out. Solar flux levels should be around the 120s for most of the week. Geomagnetic activity should be quiet at first but during the second half of the week activity could increase due to a small coronal hole. A warning, though unlikely, that if solar activity increased to high then a coronal mass ejection could increase activity for several days. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 30MHz. Darkness hour lows should be around 10MHz. Paths this week to South America should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 36MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 30MHz. With the path going over the equator into the southern hemisphere it should not be affected by any weak to moderate levels of geomagnetic activity.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your

transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS On Sunday 30 October Midland Amateur Radio Society is visiting the North Wales Rally at Llandudno. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003.

On Sunday 30 October South Birmingham Radio Society is visiting the North Wales Rally at Llandudno. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Monday 31 October Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is having an informal evening and is on the air on HF. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Monday 31 October South Birmingham Radio Society is holding its AGM preview and planning for field days and events. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Tuesday 1 November Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a junk sale. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 1 November Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club is having a talk on the weak signal propagation reporter network by Charles. Contact Chris, M0MFP, on 01507 442 240.

On Tuesday 1 November Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is visiting Ulverscroft model railway from 7.30pm. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Tuesday 1 November Wythall Radio Club starts its beginners Morse class and is having a demo of club merchandise. Details from Colin, M0GJM, on 07598 540 507.

On Wednesday 2 November Midland Amateur Radio Society is on the air and holding training classes. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003.

On Wednesday 2 November South Birmingham Radio Society is holding its AGM. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Wednesday 2 November South Kesteven Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on baluns by Nigel Booth, M0CVO. Contact Nigel, M0CVO, on 01476 402 550.

On Wednesday 2 November Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air and holding a committee meeting. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday 3 November South Birmingham Radio Society is having training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603. On Friday 4 November Coventry Amateur Radio Society is having a bangers & mash night. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

On Friday 4 November South Birmingham Radio Society is holding a construction evening. Contact Don on 01214 581 603.

On Sunday 6 November South Birmingham Radio Society is visiting the West London Radio and Electronics show at Kempton Park. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND On Monday 31 October Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Monday 31 October Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having a quiz or video evening. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 31 October South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is holding a technical forum. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Monday 31 October Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is visiting the communications museum at RAF Henlow with Ted, G3WBB. Details on the web at www.tcars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 1 November Chester & District Amateur Radio Society is checking progress on the L/C meter project. Details from Barbara Green on 07957 870 770.

On Tuesday 1 November Stockport Radio Society is having a presentation on contest DXpeditions by Carsten Steinh&#65533;fel, G0SYP/DL1EFD. More information from Nigel Roscoe, on 07973 312 699.

On Wednesday 2 November Denby Dale Radio Club is having a visit by RSGB Regional Manager Harold Scrivens, G0UGE, plus a talk by Andy, M0GGR on his visit to Asiatic Russia. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220 126.

On Wednesday 2 November Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is having a club night. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Thursday 3 November Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air and having a club night. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 07876 085 631.

On Thursday 3 November South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is celebrating the 50 years of membership of Ron, G3SVW. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND We start with advance notice that Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club will be holding a Foundation course and exam over Friday 25 and Saturday 26 November 2011. Anyone wishing get on the first step of amateur radio should register for the course by Monday 7 November 2011. To register, complete the form at to www.muarc.com/courseapplicationform.htm. More information can be gained by contacting the exam secretary Martin, MI0YMF, on 02838 852 712.

On Thursday 3 November Bangor & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its annual surplus sale. Contact Mike, GI4XSF, on 02842 772 383.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday 1 November Borders Amateur Radio Society is having a club contest. Contact MM0YLG on 07944 912 751.

On Tuesday 1 November Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is holding its AGM. Details from Norman, on 07740 946 192.

On Thursday 3 November Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is holding a junk sale. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663.

On Thursday 3 November Moray Firth Amateur Radio Society is having its President's Address by Bill Cecil, GM3KHH. Contact Barry, GM4TOE, by email to gm4toe@btconnect.com.

On Friday 4 November Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club is having a normal club night. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA Colchester Radio Amateurs will be holding an Advanced Licence Exam on Monday 5 December 2011. The exam will take place at 7pm in Room 1 at St Helena School, Sheepen Road, Colchester CO3 3LE. Please be aware this is an exam only and not a course, there are no tutorial sessions. The exam fee is £37.50 plus a contribution of £10 per candidate for the room hire. The closing date for applications is Monday 7 November. For more information please contact Ed, M0HDK, on 01473 682 280 or email ederbes@globalnet.co.uk.

On Tuesday 1 November Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Tuesday 1 November Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on IOTA by Martin Atherton, G3ZAY. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Wednesday 2 November Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is holding a table top sale. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678. On Wednesday 2 November Southdown Amateur Radio Society is operating at the Hailsham shack. Details from John, G3DQY, on 01424 424 319.

On Wednesday 2 November Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the Shoreham Fort Project by Gary Baines. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816 684.

On Thursday 3 November Cray Valley Radio Society is holding its annual surplus sale. Details from Malcolm Bryan, G8MCA, on 07906 433 965.

On Thursday 3 November Horndean & District Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night and social evening. Contact Stuart, G0FYX, on 02392 472 846.

On Thursday 3 November Horsham Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by John Narborough. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk.

On Thursday 3 November Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a club night at the shack. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564 242.

On Thursday 3 November Verulam Amateur Radio Club is having a social evening with the GB3VH repeater group at the Queens Head, Sandridge. Details from Tony, 2EOWAP, on 01727 853 087.

On Friday 4 November Crystal Palace Radio and Electronics Club is having an evening of short talks featuring wood, knots and the history of electricity. Contact Bob, G3OOU, on 01737 552 170.

On Friday 4 November Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on Logbook of the World, eQSL and the QSL Bureau by Dave Cutts, M0TAZ & Marc Litchman, G0TOC. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 02085 021 645.

On Friday 4 November Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a radio night. Contact Peter, G4AKG, on 01444 239 371.

On Friday 4 November Wey Valley Amateur Radio Group is having a club night. Details on the web at www.weyvalleyarg.org.uk.

On Saturday 5 November Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Sunday 6 November Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is having a breakfast meeting at the Goring Cafe. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816 684.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST On Monday 31 October Bristol RSGB Group is having a talk on forensic science and the mobile phone by Nick, G8YJM . Details from Robin, G3TKF, on 01225 420 442.

On Tuesday 1 November West Devon Radio Club is holding a general meeting and natter night. Further information from Jules Cuddy, M1AGY, on 01752 291 588.

On Wednesday 2 November Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is having part 2 of the talk on juke box restoration by Mike, M1DPB. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Wednesday 2 November Trowbridge & District Amateur Radio Club is judging entries for the G2BQY & G4UNU Constructor's Cup. Details from Ian, G0GRI, on 01225 864 698, evenings and weekends.

On Thursday 3 November South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is holding a committee meeting. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

On Thursday 3 November Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on electrical thermography by Stuart, 2E0SUL. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Thursday 3 November Yeovil Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on eQSL by M6AIG. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk.

On Friday 4 November North Bristol Amateur Radio Club is holding a committee meeting. More information from Dick on 01454 218 362.

On Friday 4 November Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES On Tuesday 1 November Wrexham Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by a guest speaker. More information from Patrick, 2W0HUU, on 07947 701 927.

On Friday 4 November Chepstow & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on early radar development. More information from Paul, on 01594 842 580.

1031. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1034

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-28 16:14:44 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <273455.30008.qm@smtp103.sbc.mail.gq1.yahoo.com>
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*** EDITOR'S SPECIAL NOTES (by Tedd, KB8NW): This week's bulletin was sent out earlier than normal to accommodate the late CQWW DX SSB Contest announcements. Also, we wanted to provide the readers with a consolidated listing of the CQWW DX SSB Contest participants.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Friday, 21st-October, through Friday, 28th-October there were 252 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3D2/r, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 3X, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5V, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, CY0, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FO/m, FP, FR, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, H40, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, R1FJ, S0, S2, S5, S7, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T32, T5, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TN, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VK9C, VP2E, VP2M, VP2V, VP5, VP6, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZK2, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3V, TUNISIA. Operator Hrane/YT1AD, Dragan/YT3W, Dimitri/RA9USU, Carlos/EA1IR and members from the 3V8BB Club (Loutfi and Alea) will be active as 3V8BB or 3V0A during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Multi-Single or Multi-2 entry. QSL via YT1AD.

3V, TUNISIA. Look for 3V8ST, the club station at the headquarters of the Tunisian Scouts in Tunis, to be active for the first time during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th). QSL via the Bureau or direct to: Amateur Radio Club Station Tunis, P.O. Box 339, Tunis El-Mahraj�ne 1082, Tunisia.

3XY, GUINEA. The 3XY1D team is now active until November 1st. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. As of 0638z, October 27th, the 3XY1D operation has made 35601/QSOs (9113/SSB, 25833/CW, 89/PSK and 566/RTTY). Online logs are available at:
http://www.dl7df.com/3xy1d/index.html
QSL via DL7DF, direct or by the Bureau.

4O, MONTENEGRO. Tonno, ES5TV, will be active as 4O3A during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. Activity will be from Ranko, 4O3A, superstation. QSL via 4O3A, direct or by the LoTW .

4W6A FINAL PRESS RELEASE (dated October 24th). "The 4W6A DXpedition is now history. The team of Stuie, VK8NSB (team leader); Oliver, VK8DX; Bernd, VK2IA; Ant, MW0JZE; Tim, M0URX (also QSL manager); John, 9M6XRO; and Steve, 9M6DXX; plus pilot Col, MM0NDX, and assistant QSL manager Kev, M0TNX, would like to take this opportunity to thank all the DXers who made a QSO with 4W6A for their patience during the big pile-ups.
Copies of the licence and other validation material have been sent to both the DXCC desk and the RSGB IOTA Manager and 4W6A has been accepted for DXCC and as OC-232 for IOTA. Logs were uploaded to Logbook of The World a few days after the end of the DXpedition. QSL cards have been ordered and we are awaiting the final proof of the QSL design from the printer. As of 23 October, QSLs for over 11,000 QSOs • 27% of the total log • have already been requested either direct or by OQRS. And this less than a month after the end of the DXpedition! These requests have already been processed and the direct QSLs will be sent as soon as the cards are received from the printers. Bureau cards requested by OQRS will be sent out soon afterwards, with direct mailings to the major QSL bureaus of the world.
A report on the DXpedition with a few photos and videos can be found at <www.m0urx.com> while 150 more photographs have been uploaded to:
http://www.4w6a.com/about-timor-leste/gallery.html
More videos taken by VK8DX and MW0JZE can be found on YouTube - search '4W6A' and look for the videos uploaded by 'mw0jze'.
Finally, we would once again like to publicly thank all the DX groups, companies and individuals that so generously sponsored this DXpedition. All are listed on the 4W6A website at: http://www.4w6a.com/sponsors
We look forward to seeing you from the next location • wherever that may

be..... 73,Steve, 9M6DXX, 4W6A Team Member"

5R, MADAGASCAR. Eiki, JH8JWF, will be active as 5R8A from Antananarivo during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th). QSL via his home callsign.

5Z, KENYA (Update/Date Change). Sigi, DL7DF, will be on holiday with his XYL Sabine in Kenya between November 23rd and December 6th. He plans to be active as 5Z4HW and operate on all bands, 160-10 meters using CW, SBB, RTTY, PSK31 and SSTV as often as possible. The location is the Diani Beach at the coastline of Kenyanear Mombasa. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the DARC Bureau. For more details and updates, visit: http://www.dl7df.com/5z/index.html

7Q, MALAWI (Update). Operators Rob/GM3YTS and Gav/GM0GAV will be active as 7Q7GM between October 31st and November 13th. Activity will be CW only with a focus on the low bands, especially 160/80m. They are hoping to have an online log available. Look for all QSOs to be uploaded to LoTW as soon as they return home. QSL via GM4FDM. They now have a Blog page for this operation with news and updates at: http://7q7gm.blogspot.com

7U, ALGERIA (Special Event). Members of the Algerian Radio Amateurs (ARA - 7X2ARA) will activate 7U1MA during the month of November. Activity is to celebrate the opening of Algiers new subway (Metro Algeria - suffix of the callsign). Operations will be on HF bands (modes not provided). QSL via the Bureau or direct to: Amateurs Radio Alg&#65533;riens, PO Box 1, ALGER RP 16000, Algeria. No eQSL and LoTW. Visit the ARA Web page at: http://www.ara-dz.org

9H, MALTA. Zoltan, HA5PP, will be active as 9H3PP during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. He will be there between November 24-29th. Activity outside of the contest will be on 80-10 meters mainly on CW (possibly some SSB) while testing out the antennas for the contest. QSL via HA5PP.

9TH AAW ACTIVITY. Frank, IZ7AUH/AK1CQ, announced that he will be active in the 2012 9th Antarctic Activity Week (AAW), which will take place February 20-26th, once again using both of his special callsigns II7ANT (WAP-12) and IR7ANT (WAP-74). QSL via IZ7AUH, either direct, by the Bureau or via OQRS at: http://www.iz7auh.com
He reports, "After a long busy time, I'm now answering the QSL received during my past AAWs activities. Everybody who did send me a card for my past activities will get the QSL via Bureau, while for those who have not still made a request can do it directly through my OQRS system."

AH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Kazuo, JH8PHT, will be active as AH0KT from Saipan on Northern Mariana Island (OC-086) between November 24-28th. QSL via his home callsign. PLEASE do not QSL to Saipan.

BX5, TAIWAN (AS-020). Jimmy, BX5AA, from Changhua City, Taiwan (WLOTA 0022), will be active during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (10m)/High-Power entry. Jimmy states that BX5

is a rare prefix for Taiwan (CQ 24). QSL via BX5AA, direct (see QRZ.com).
Visit his Web page at: http://blog.yam.com/bx5aa

CY0, SABLE ISLAND (Update). Operators Ron/AA4VK, Jeff/N1SNB and Murray/
WA4DAN are scheduled to be active as homecall/CY0 between December 29th
and January 6th. It is confirmed that the Aircraft has been chartered.
For more details and updates, watch the Web page at:
http://www.cy0dxpedition.com
ADDED NOTE: Since this operation is going to take place, the planned
July 2012 operation is no longer on the calendar.

DP0, ANTARCTICA (AN-016). Operators Felix/DL5XL and Las/DL1LLL will be
at Neumayer III Station (WAP DEU-08) in December. They will be using the
club station's callsign DP0GVN. A new amplifier (Acom 2000A) has been
shipped to Neumayer Station, so they hope to have a good signal on the
bands. DL5XL will return back to Germany at the end of February 2012,
while DL1LLL will remain over the winter at the Neumayer III Base until
February 2013. Felix was asked about a possibility to activate some
special spots such as Palaoa Observatory or Neumayer/SANAE Emergency base
(both "New One WAP"), while down there. Felix said, "I will not promise
any portable activities, but I am aware of the WAP chasers' interest in
these new locations and will try to do my best if there is free time."
TNX DL5XL @ WAP website <www.waponline.it>

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS. Oliver, W6NV, is now active as E51NNV from the
Island of Rarotonga (OC-013, WFF E5FF-002); his length of stay is unknown.
Activity has been on 10 meters CW/SSB. QSL via his home callsign. Reports
indicate that Oliver is part of a Multi-Op team which will be active during
the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as E51Z. Operators mentioned
are Bill/WB6BFG (E51BFG), Oliver/W6NV (E51NNV) and Dick/N6AA. QSL E51Z
via K6VNX, direct or by the Bureau. QSL also via LoTW.

EA6, BALEARIC ISLANDS. Juan, EA5BM, will bw active as EA6FO from Ibiza
Island (EU-004) during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th); the
category TBA (not yet decided). QSL via QRZ.com's instructions.

ED9, CEUTA & MELILLA. Operators Paul/DF4SA, Jorge/EA9LZ, Axel/DL6KVA,
Zoli/HA1AG, Laszlo/HA3NU and Robert/N5KO will be active as ED9M from
Ceuta during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Multi-Single
entry. The team will use Spiderbeams and vertical antennas. QSL will be
via HA1AG. Log will be automatically uploaded to LoTW "AFTER" the CQWW
log submission deadline.

ER4, MOLDOVA. Serge, UT5UDX, will be active as ER4A during both the CQWW
DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) and CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th)
as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via RA4LW direct only.

FM, MARTINIQUE. Gil, FM5FJ, will be active in the CQWW DX SSB Contest
(October 29-30th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m)/Low-Power entry.
QSL via KU9C.

IOTA NEWS.............
AS-191. (Update to OPDX.1033) The 7Z7AA activity from Jabal Al Lith,

Saudi Arabia, between November 17-25th, now has Web page
available at: http://www.dxcoffee.com/7z7aa
This is a rare IOTA. QSL via 7Z1CQ.

SA-046. A group of Brazilian operators will be active as PX7C from
Itamaraca Island, Brazil, during the CQWW DX SSB Contest
(October 29-30th) as a Multi-Single entry. Operators mentioned
are Cristovao/PY7GK, Antonio/PY7OO, Benedito/PY7VI, Cicero/
PY7ZY, Jemesson/PY7XC and Andre/PY0FF. QSL via PY7CRA.

J6, ST. LUCIA. The "Buddies in the Caribbean" DXpedition group which
specializes in 100 watt or less low power radios and the Buddipole
portable antenna systems will be back again to St. Lucia between December
4-12th. They state that the north shore Villa location was magnificent
on their first visit in February 2010, and they want to demonstrate
"ultralite" DXpeditioning into magnificent "vista" locations, operating
a field portable battery-only radio with backpackable, lightweight
antennas and most of all "having fun" with a new group of operators
who have never experienced the "other side of a pileup!" The eight
operators mentioned are: Budd/W3FF, Guy/N7UN, David/WD9CMD, Joe/N7BF,
Steve/WF2S, Tom/K9CJM, Bill/AA4OC, and Barclay/WU1B. There will be 3
villa stations in operation on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB, and RTTY
or PSK. At the same time, several teams will be battery-only, field
portable either from St. Lucia beaches or scenic mountain tops. The
group will participate in the ARRL 10m Contest (callsign: J68UN) between
December 10-11th. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, or mail to the operator's home
callsign (SASE required). For more details, see the following Web site
at: http://suitcasedxpeditions.com

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (October 31st- November 6th)....
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HN - High Normal Unsettled K� 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K� 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K� 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K� 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K�9 100-400

NP4, PUERTO RICO. Felipe, NP4Z/KP3Z, will be active during the CQ WW
DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power
entry. QSL via N4AO.

PJ4, BONAIRE. Peter, PA8A, will once again be active as PJ4B from Bonaire
(SA-006) between Janaury 8-22nd, 2012. Activity will be holiday style
on the HF bands. QSL via PA8A direct only (w/2 USDS and SAE).

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
9N1AA QSL STATUS. Carl, N4AA, Editor of "QRZ DX", reports: "I am pleased to report that Satish is back on the air after a very long time of inactivity. I have agreed to resume acting as his QSL Manager. I now have his logs for the first few days of his operation in mid-October 2011. *PLEASE*.... I do not have ALL of his old logs. Many of those were lost when his computer was confiscated and are no longer available. If you want me to check for any OLD contacts, E-mail me the data and I'll look, but it is doubtful that I can confirm many, if ANY, of those old contacts. *SAE with adequate postage is required for direct response."

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 6Y5/W1UE, AM5M, E72U, EA6AZ, GI5K, HA3LI, HA5AWT, HR1RTF, II5ITA, J37BO, JA2IVK, JH0IMP, LA5VSA, MI0LLL, MU0FAL, OE3GCU, OG0I, OH0X, OH8KTN, OM3TWN, OM4EX, ON4IQ, PX2T, RL9F, RN4ABD, S55O, SK3W, ST0R, SV0XCC/9, SV1EBV, UA9CGL, UN9LU, VE7AX, VK0TH, YV6BFE and ZK2V

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 4L1UN, 4S7KM, EK6GB, HI3K, MH0Z, NH0J, RI1FJA, S79DO, ST0R, TI2MEF, TK5MH, UN7PBY, V63DX, VK9HR, W6HGF/KH0 and YB0NFL

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 5H3AP/3, 6W1SJ, 9M6XRO/P, B7P, BA6IV, BH3AGU, DL9GMM/MM, DU9/DL5SDF, EX/W0AIH, FY5FY, J28AA and T88ME

RADIO ARCALA TEAM POISED TO STRIKE HARD IN CQWW DX SSB CONTEST. A press release sent out by Jarmo, OH2BN, from Helsinki, dated October 25th, states:
"It is that great time of the year when the Northern folks typically head South but now increasingly also allow their own hardware to speak for Nordic supremacy.

MARKET REEF, OJ0X -- Challenging the soon-to-be freezing sea, they try to activate Market Reef for the first time as a CQWW SSB Contest multiplier. If lucky on this week's Thursday landing, OJ0X will be aired by Timo/OG9X, Olli/OH0XX, Martti/OH2BH, Harri/OH6VM and Teemu/SM0W in the Multi-2 category. You can follow their adventure at: http://www.qrz.com/db/OJ0X

AZORES ISLANDS, CR2X -- Early Tuesday morning, Toni, OH2UA heads to Radio Arcala's Atlantic outpost to see how improved 10M propagation can push his score to new heights. The Azores station is now furnished with a new dual FTdx5000 setup, with OM Power auto amps at all Radio Arcala stations.

ALAND ISLANDS, OH0X -- The world renowned OH0W site in Brando, Aland Islands, is now integrated into the Radio Arcala station network as OH0X, and an old warhorse Pertti, OH2PM, will be shooting for Northern Europe SOAB honors. Here the old wisdom is to face the challenge of young energy. OH0X cut the finish line first in the recent Polar Battle (CW) - the Scandinavian Activity Contest - with Toni, OH2UA, at the helm.

NORTHERN FINLAND, OH8X -- The Radio Arcala mother-ship on the Arctic Circle is to be manned by Kim, OH6KZP, amid good prospects for openings

with polar propagation on all three higher bands. The station recently won the SSB Polar Battle (SAC) with Tonno, ES5TV at the controls.

SOUTHERN FINLAND, OH2BH -- With a slightly different propagation out-look to North and West, Pasi, OH6UM, will try to maneuver somewhere in between, aiming to show up as a dark horse in this battle and ride the Northern Lights to another mathematical marvel while Martti is seaboard at OJ0X, now in his 50th consecutive CQWW.

You have five runners from the Polar Region to look for and nail down. Following the CQWW, these serious stations will present their 'clean sheets' - their success of staying up for 48 hours, without touching their bed sheets! All four are true all-band single-ops committed to following the newly promoted Contesting Code of Conduct due to be released after the race in the upcoming Contest Club Finland's PileUP! magazine, themed 'The Last Blast'.

All CQWW QSOs, SSB and CW, by Radio Arcala stations will be confirmed on a single X-rated QSL card and via LoTW. It is contesting time again at Radio Arcala."

SI9, SWEDEN (Special Event). Special event station SI9AM from the King Chulalongkorn Memorial in Ragunda, Sweden, the largest Thai Pavilion in the world outside Thailand, will be active once again between October 27th and November 2nd. Operators will be Marcel/ON6UQ and Jef/ON4ACA.. They plan to be an entry in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th). Outside of the contest, activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW and SSB.
Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1817, 3517, 7017, 10117, 14017, 18077, 21017, 24897 and 28017 kHz
SSB - 1840, 3760, 7060, 14210, 18160, 21310, 24960 and 28510 kHz
QSL via SM3CVM, direct or by the Bureau. For more information, visit the SI9AM Web page at: http://www.si9am.se

S0, WESTERN SAHARA (WFWL). Operator Mahfoud, S01MZ, has been active this past week on 20/15 meters usually between 1230-1800z. No other details are known about this station, so "Work First Worry Later". He states to QSL via EA1BT.

T32, CHRISTMAS ISLAND. The Five Star DXers Association (FSDXA) group is now QRT as T32C from Kiritimati. The T32C operation has made 213169/QSOs with 48914 Unique Callsigns (88416/SSB, 102216/CW, 13/PSK31, 1506/PSK63, 19225/RTTY and 1765/FM). They believe there are at least 10 new world records in the totals, plus there is the possibility that some of the 6m QSOs were 'firsts'. Logs are available on ClubLog at:
http://www.clublog.org/charts/?c&#65533;2C&a&#65533;bed
For more details, visit their Web page at: http://www.t32c.com

T32, CHRISTMAS ISLAND. QSL Manager Stan, KH6CG, reports on October 24th: "I just spoke to Nobby (G0VJG) one of the ops at T32C, he informed me that the Team left Tov, T32TV, four vertical antennas ands tons of coax, and a NEW Yaesu FT450D transceiver!!!!! They said Tov was so very grateful. I am so happy for him. I really appreciated the generosity of the T32C

team, and Yaesu to do this for my good friend Tov, T32TV. Now that's what Ham Radio is all about!!! :-) "

T7, SAN MARINO. Operators Manfred/DK2OY, Helmut/DK6WL and Sandy/DL1QQ will activate the Amateurs Radio Republic of San Marino (A.R.R.S.M.) club station T70A during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via T70A, by the Bureau. All QSOs will be confirmed via Bureau. No cards needed. Also via LoTW .

TC3, TURKEY. Operators Can/TA3GO and XYL Elif/TA3YE will be active as TC3EC during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Multi-Op/ All-Band entry. QSL via TA3GO direct only.

TC88, TURKEY (Special Event). Look for members of the Giresun Radio Amateurs and Nature Sports Club (GITRAD) and Special Wireless Activity Team (TCSWAT) who are now active as TC88TC until October 30th. Activity is to celebrate 88th anniversary of the "Foundation of Republic of Turkey". Operations will be from Istanbul, Edirne and Giresun. Look for activity on the HF bands and on CW, SSB, PSK31 and SSTV. A special QSL card will be sent out. A list of operators will be updated in QRZ.com. QSL via TA1HZ.

TO5, FRENCH GUIANA (CW Op Needed For IOTA Op!). Operators Tonio/F4ACR, Christophe/F4CRE, Denis/F4DNU, Jean-Paul/F5OQK, Jean-Pierre/F6AIM and Jean-Pascal/FY5LH will be active as TO5G from Royale Island, Salut Islands (SA-020), between January 2-7th, 2012. QSL via F5KDR, direct or by the Bureau. The team is looking for a CW operator very quickly, as the DX-pedition team will leave from Paris on December 26th. For practical reasons, they looking for an operator that is able to speak a little French. An updated Yellow Fever vaccine is mandatory. The final personal budget is about 1200 Euros. If interested, write immediately to Jean Paul Jolly, 6 Chemin des Chaign&#65533;es, F85200 FONTENAY LE COMTE, FRANCE or send an E-mail to <f5oqk@orange.fr>.

TT8, CHAD. Phil, F4EGS, will once again be active as TT8PK from N&#65533;djamena, as of October 23rd and will be there until December 23rd. Activity will be limited due to his work schedule and spare time. Operations last time were on 40-10 meters using CW, SSB and some RTTY. QSL via F4EGS, by the Bureau or direct (see QRZ.com for details).

TX5/TX7, MARQUESAS ISLANDS (Update). The international team of operators are now active as TX7M from Hatiheu, Nuku Hiva (OC-027) until November 1st. Just a reminder that the TX7M team will use TX5M during the CQWW DX SSB Contest this weekend. They plan to be active on 160-10 meters (including 30/17/12m) using CW, SSB and RTTY, with 4 stations on at the same time on different bands and modes. As of 0230z, October 28th, the TX7M operation has made 67844/QSOs with 20335 Unique Callsigns (26552/SSB, 38097/CW and 3195/RTTY). For more details, visit the TX7M Web page at: http://www.tx7m.com

UA2, KALININGRAD. Dmitri, UA2FB, will be active as UA2KK from the Keeper Telecom LTD Club Station during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th)

as a Single-Op/Single-Band (40m) entry. QSL via direct to: Ulrich Mueller, 13 Kreutzacker Str, D-35041 Marburg, Germany. No German stamps please! All cards are replied from Russia. No IBRS please! Bureau QSLs go to the UA2 QSL Bureau.

UK, UZBEKISTAN. Fedor, UK9AA, will be active during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (160m)/Low-Power entry using a 5 elemnet full size yagi on 160m (Boom is 153m). QSL via his home callsign direct.

VI6, AUSTRALIA (Contest And Special Event). John, VK6HZ, will be active as VI6XX during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Single-Op/ All-Band entry. QSL via VK6XX. ADDED NOTE: Over the contest weekend, the VK6 amateurs can use the VI prefix to celebrate the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting (CHOGM) in Perth and a visit of Queen Elizabeth II.

VP2, MONTSERRAT (Update). Ron. N0AT, sent out the following on October 25th (edited): "Beginning November 18th through December 6th, look for Gregor/DF7OGO, Tom/K3WT, Ron/N0AT, Vlad/N0STL and Bill/W0OR operating as VP2MGO, VP2MWT, VP2MTA, VP2MTL and VP2MOR, respectively. During the CQWW CW DX and ARRL 160 Meter Contests the group will be signing VP2MWG. Before and after the contests, activity will be on CW, SSB and RTTY on 160 through 6 meters. QSL VP2MWG via N0AT, and all others via their home callsign. Further information and updates can be found on their web site at: http://www.vp2mwg.comeze.com
In 2009, the same core group of operators finished 2nd in North America multi-single from El Salvador as YS4U and have previously participated in CQWW CW contests as 5J0A (San Andres), CP6CW (Bolivia) and TG0AA (Guatemala), holding scoring records for each country. Stories about the above operations can be found in past issues of The Gray Line Report, the official newsletter of the Twin City DX Association.
To read about YS4U (2009)
http://tcdxa.org/Newsletters/December2009Grayline.pdf
To read about 5J0A (2007) http://tcdxa.org/Newsletters/April2008Grayline.pdf
To read about CP6CW http://tcdxa.org/Newsletters/December2004Grayline.pdf
To read about TG0AA (2003)
http://tcdxa.org/Newsletters/March_2004_GrayLine.pdf
Team members N0STL and N0AT also operated from Utila Island, Honduras, in the 2006 ARRL CW DX CONTEST as HQ9H. The story can be found at:
http://tcdxa.org/Newsletters/March2006GrayLine.pdf

VP9, BERMUDA (NA-005). Paul, W4/VP9KF (G4BKI), is once again active as VP9KF from Baileys Bay, Hamilton Parish, between November 2-16th. Activity will only be CW on all bands. Paul states, "Operation will focus on the higher bands where 11 previous trips in the last 5 years have resulted in very few QSOs." QSL via W4/VP9KF: Paul Evans, 6809 River Road, Tampa, FL 33615. Please, DO NOT send to the VP9 bureau. Visit his Web page for more information, including logs, propagation and operating times, at: http://vp9kf.com

VU***/F1, INDIA (Special Event). Amateur radio operators from India have received permission from the authorities to use the suffix /F1 at the

end of their callsigns to mark the first-ever Formula 1 race in India this weekend. They are allowed to use the suffix until October 31st. PLEASE NOTE: This may cause some confusion on the air as stations may think that they might have worked a station from France. Each operator is responsible for his/her own activities and QSLs will be as per operator's instructions. For more details about the Indian Grand Prix, see: http://formula1.airtel.in

YB, INDONESIA. Members of the ORARI Daerah Jawa Tengah Contesting Team will be active as YE2R from Semarang on the Island of Java (IOTA OC-021, WLOTA L1660), during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Multi-Multi entry. QSL via EB7DX. Operators mentioned are: Fan/YB0AI, Djoko/YB1TJ, William/YB1WR, Bobby/YB2BBY, Hans/YB2DX, Seno/YB2LSR, Jon/YB2ECG, Dani/YB2TJV, Deta/YB2VTO (YL), Buntoro/YB3PXF, Adhi/YB3MM, Imam/YB4IR and Joni/YB9WZJ. For more details, look at: http://www.ye2r.wordpress.com

YB, INDONESIA. Members of the ORARI Local Subang will be active from their YE1ZAW club station on Mt. Malang (+1050m ASL) on West Java during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Multi-Single/High-Power entry. Operators mentioned are Yon/YB1CCF, Joz/YD1JZ, Heri/YB1KAR, Nyoman/YB1NWP, Budi/YB1EME, Terry/YC1KAF, Danu/YD1GCL, Rizal/YD1ORG, Kasmuri/YD1MRI, Jimi/YC1OO, Aris/YD1ARM, Yayan/YC1BTV, Herry/YC1HQQ, Nana/YD1LUX, Sutrisno/YD1OLG and Jo/YC0LOW. QSL via YE1ZAW direct only (QRZ.com address). No LoTW or eQSL.

XV9, VIETNAM. Mike, OM2DX, will be active as XV9DX from Hanoi, and is working for the Embassy of the Slovak Republic. He will be in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (15m) entry. QSL via OM3JW.

The following stations are expected to be active in the
CQ World Wide DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th, 2011)

Thanks to Bill, NG3K, for providing OPDX readers with the following consolidated listing of the participants in the 2011 CQWW DX SSB Contest. For a more detailed listing (and up-to-date changes/corrections) in HTML format, please visit Bill's Web page at:
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cqs2011.html (By call sign)
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cqsd2011.html (By entity)
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cqsz2011.html (By zone)

Contest DXCC CQZ Class QSL
Callsign Entity Route

3D2T &/or 3D2A Fiji 32 QSL 3D2T via VK4FW and
3D2A via VK4AN
3V8SS Tunisia 33 SOAB LP LoTW
4L0A Georgia 21 SOSB 40M LoTW
4O3A Montenegro 15 SOAB 4O3A
5B/HA5PP Cyprus 20 SOAB HA5PP
5Z4EE Kenya 37 SOAB HP NV7E

6V7Q Senegal 35 SOAB LoTW
6Y9X Jamaica 08 SOAB HP KQ1F
8Q7DV Maldives 22 SOAB HP UA9CLB
A51B Bhutan 22 SOSB 10M W0GJ
A52AB Bhutan 22 SOSB 15M UA3AB
A52IR Bhutan 22 SOSB 80M K0IR
A52PC Bhutan 22 SOSB 40M W0BM
A52PP Bhutan 22 SOSB 20M W8AEF
A73A Qatar 21 M/M EA7FTR
AC2AI/KH2 Guam 27 SOAB LoTW
AH2R Guam 27 M/S JH7QXJ
AH0BT Mariana Islands 27 M/2 7L1FPU
B3C China 24 M/?
B7P China 24 M/M BD7IXG
BV100 Taiwan 24 M/? BV2KI
BX5AA Taiwan 24 SOSB 10M BX5AA
C37N Andorra 14 M/? EA4URE
C5A Gambia 35 M/M OM2FY
C6ARW Bahamas 08 SOAB LP LoTW
CE1A Chile 12 M/?
CN2R Morocco 33 SOAB W7EJ
CN3A Morocco 33 M/S LoTW
CQ7A Portugal 14 M/? CT1DSV
CR2X Azores 14 LoTW
CR3A Madeira 33 M/? LoTW
CR3L Madeira 33 M/2 DJ6QT
CR6K Portugal 14 SOAB CT1ILT
CR6P Portugal 14 M/S CT2HKN
CS2P Portugal 14 M/? CS2P Buro
CW5W Uruguay 13 SOAB HP LoTW
D4C Cape Verde 35 M/? IZ4DPV
DR1A Germany 14 M/M DL6FBL
DR2W Germany 14 M/?
E2E Thailand 26 M/?
E51Z South Cook Islands 32 K6VNX
E7DX Bosnia & Herzegovina 15 M/S E77E
EA5URT Spain 14 M/2 EA5URT
EA6/AA5UK Balearic Islands 14 SOAB LP LoTW
EA8ZS Canary Islands 14 SOAB LP
EB1WW Spain 14 M/M EA1AZ
ED1C Spain 14 M/S
ED1R Spain 14 M/2 EA4RCH
ED1WW Spain 14 M/S EA1FCR
ED5T Spain 14 M/S
ED7C Spain 14 SOSB 10M EA7HMD Buro
EE2W Spain 14 M/S EB2AM
EE7L Spain 14 SOAB EA7HLU
EE9Z Ceuta & Melilla 33 M/?
EF7W Spain 14 SOSB LP EC7KW
EF8R Canary Islands 33 SOAB LoTW

EF9A Ceuta & Melilla 33 SOSB EA5FL
EI8GQB Ireland 14 SOAB LP ON4EI Buro
ER4A Moldova 16 SOAB RA4LW
EY8MM Tajikistan 17 SOSB K1BV
FM5FJ Martinique 08 SOSB 20M KU9C
FP/KV1J St Pierre & Miquelon05 SOAB LoTW
FY/F5HRY French Guyana 09 SOSB 10M
FY5KE French Guyana 09 SOSB 15M FY5KE
GJ2A Jersey 14 M/S LoTW
GM7R Scotland 14 M/S LoTW
HB9H Switzerland 14 M/S HB9CXZ
HB0/SP7VC Liechtenstein 14 SOAB HP LoTW
HQ2W Honduras 07 SOAB QRP OK1DOT
HU1YS El Salvador 07 M/S EA5GL
I2ADN/IG9 African Italy 33 SOSB 10M I2ADN
IF9A Sicily 15 M/S IT9ATF
IG9R African Italy 33 TBD IK8HCG
IH9YMC African Italy 33 SOSB eQSL
II9K Sicily 15 M/S IT9HBT
II9P Sicily 15 M/2 IT9CHU
IO5O Italy 15 M/S IK5RLP
IR2C Italy 15 M/S IR2C Buro
IR5A Italy 15 M/S
IR7R Italy 15 M/S IZ7GXB
J28RO Djibouti 37 SO F8DFP
J48CM Greece 20 SOSB 80M YU7CM
J48OV Greece 20 SOSB 40M HA5OV
JT5DX Mongolia 23 M/2
JW5E Svalbard 40 M/S
KG6DX Guam 27 SOSB 10M LoTW
KH7X Hawaii 31 M/M K2PF
KP2B Virgin Islands 08 X/M LoTW
KP2MM Virgin Islands 08 SOSB LoTW
LN3Z Norway 14 M/S LoTW
LP1H Argentina 13 M/M EA5KB
LS1D Argentina 13 M/? LW9EOC
LX7I Luxembourg 14 SOAB LX2A
LY7A Lithuania 15 M/M LY2ZO
NH2T Guam 27 SOAB LoTW
NH7A Hawaii 31 SOAB F5VHJ
NH0S Mariana Islands 27 SOAB HP JF2SKV
NP4Z Puerto Rico 08 SOAB N4AO
OH0X Aland Island 15 LoTW
OH0Z Aland Island 15 SOAB HP W0MM
OJ0X Market Reef 15 M/2 LoTW
OP4K Belgium 14 M/S OP4K
OZ5E Denmark 14 SOSB 15M LoTW
P40A Aruba 09 SOAB WD9DZV
P40P Aruba 09 SOAB LoTW
P40W Aruba 09 SOAB HP LoTW

PJ2T Curacao 09 M/M W3HNK
PJ4T Bonaire 09 M/? KA2AEV
PJ6T Saba & St Eustatius 08 M/? LoTW
PJ7X Sint Maarten 08 M/2 F6EXV
PS2T Brazil 11 M/? K3IRV
PT5T Brazil 11 M/2 PT5T
PX7C Brazil 11 M/S PY7CRA
PU5FJR Brazil 11 SOSB 10M PP5JR
PZ5MM Surinam 09 SOAB DK1MM
RC0F Russia (Asia) 19 SOAB LoTW
RM3F Russia (Europe) 16 SOAB HP LoTW
RN3F Russia (Europe) 16 M/2 UA3DQK
SI9AM Sweden 14 M/? SI9AM
SJ2W Sweden 14 M/S
T46A Cuba 08 M/? EA5GL
T70A San Marino 15 M/S LoTW
T8AA Palau 27 M/? JH1WXT
TA2/DL7BC Turkey 20 SOAB DL7BC
TC3EC Turkey 20 M/? TA3GO
TF3CW Iceland 40 SOSB 20M LX1NO
TI8M Costa Rica 07 M/2 TI2KAC
TK5KP Corsica 15 SOAB HP TK5EP
TM2S France 14 M/S TM2S Buro
TM7X France 14 F5BSB
TO5A Martinique 08 SOAB HP LoTW
TX5A Marquesas 31 M/? OQRS
UA2KK Kaliningrad 15 SOSB 40M
UK9AA Uzbekistan 17 SOSB 160M
UT7X Ukraine 16 SOSB 80M UT7XX
V31 Belize 07 Home Call
V47JA St Kitts & Nevis 08 SOAB W5JON
VC2Z Canada 05 M/S VE2BR
VC3R Canada 04 SOAB HP VE7VR
VE2IDX Canada 02 SOSB 40M VE3ZF
VE2IM Canada 02 SOAB VE3DX
VI6XX Australia 29 SOAB VK6XX
VP5T Turks & Caicos 08 N2VW
VP9I Bermuda 05 N1HRA
VQ5X Turks & Caicos 08 TBD LoTW
VU2PAI India 22 SOAB HP VU2PAI
XV9DX Vietnam 26 SOSB 15M OM3JW
YE1ZAW Indonesia 28 M/S
YE2R Indonesia 28 M/M EB7DX
YE0X Indonesia 28 M/? YE0X Buro
YP9W Romania 20 SOAB HP YO9WF
YV5AM Venezuela 09 M/? YV5AM
Z36W Macedonia 15 M/S Z37M
ZA3WW Albania 15 TBD LZ2HM
ZA20QA Albania 15 M/? HA0NAR
ZD8O Ascension Island 36 SOAB OH0XX

ZK2X Niue 32 SOAB HP N3SL
ZM4T New Zealand 32 M/2 ZL2AL

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http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html

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1032. Re: get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-28 16:32:38 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <20898c51-c275-45bd-8cd6-484e0175ff02@s9g2000yqi.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4072
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On Oct 27, 3:07 pm, kb9rqz <m...@kb9rqz.com> wrote:
> On Oct 23, 2:06 pm, kb9rqz <m...@kb9rqz.com> wrote:
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> > On Oct 23, 1:54 pm, kb9rqz <m...@kb9rqz.com> wrote:
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> > > On Oct 23, 12:26 am, "Anon" <anon@anon> wrote:
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> > > > Mark suffers from a severe gender identity crisis.
> > > > One day he is "straight", the next day he is bisexual, and the next day he
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1033. WIANEWS for WEEK COMMENCING OCTOBER 30 2011

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The Centenary Award and VK 100 ARV

VK4RCA REPEATERS permanently removed from Mt Yarrabah.

THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING OCTOBER 30 2011.

The Australian Communications and Media Authority have issued new draft
guidelines for retransmission of digital television services, including
retransmission of services provided by the new Viewer Access Satellite
Television (VAST) satellite service.

In small or isolated population centres where terrestrial television reception
is poor or non-existent, local organisations such as councils and mining
companies frequently provide television services on a self-help basis.
These 'self-help providers' retransmit the commercial and national television
broadcasting services using their own infrastructure.

VAST will offer all Australians who do not receive adequate terrestrial
television coverage the same number and quality of digital television services

as in the major cities, including all digital multichannels and HDTV.

Self-help providers will be expected to provide all available terrestrial television services using MPEG-2 video coding along with service information such as electronic program guides, channel numbers and captioning.

The ACMA encourages submissions from all interested parties by Friday December Two 2011.

www.digitalready.gov.au
or call the Digital Ready Information Line on 1800 20 10 13.

Whilst on ACMA matters, I'm sure they'll find of interest an article in an Australian on line publication "Lifehacker" which suggests ways to create RFI to your neighbours who play their music too loud!

"Evil genius and electrical guru junkyardmessiah over at Reddit came up with this DIY solution which includes a Cheap CB radio, A linear amp, and a bottom loaded CB antenna, get your antenna close as you can to it and fire up! Amplifier sections are not shielded in these plastic ready-made toys and the resulting AM signal will impact it. In my case I ran a continuous 6khz tone from a signal generator which was more than enough to blow it up good. ENJOY!"

Regional radio censured over lack of local content

the Australian Communications and Media Authority has found regional Queensland radio station 4MIC, which operates out of Mt Isa as Hot FM, failed to broadcast the designated minimum of local content required under its licence.

The rebuke from the media watchdog was the result of an audit of regional radio stations across Australia.

ACMA has agreed on measures to be undertaken by Hot FM Mt Isa.

These include the implementation of enhanced monitoring processes and procedures to ensure the station provides the mandated 30 minutes of local content per business day.

Banyule and Nillumbik Weekly reporter Meagan Weymes has an article well worth a read this week, entitled CFA aims to widen radio coverage.

RADIO coverage that failed during the Black Saturday bushfires could be improved with new CFA radio towers.

CFA has identified 52 locations where radio reception is poor or non-existent.

Several of these so-called black spots are in Whittlesea and Nillumbik including areas around Warrandyte North, Eltham and St Andrews.

The 2009 Victorian Bushfires Royal Commission found one of the major problems on Black Saturday was the shortcomings of CFA radio communication.

The CFA announced last week 12 to 15 new fixed radio repeaters would be built across the state to improve signals.

Kinglake West CFA captain Karyn Norbury said about 25 per cent of the station's area was considered a radio black spot

More than 3500 touch-screen computers will be installed at bedsides in South Australian public hospitals to improve patient care and safety.

The bedside computers will enable clinicians to show the patient relevant health information, X-rays and test results on-screen at their bedside.

Also the computers will offer patients access to all digital TV and radio stations, a range of pay television channels, movies, a phone line and the internet.

XYL BECOMES YL WITH RADIO FREQUENCY TREATMENT.

RF is the latest technique being incorporated into anti-ageing skin treatments.

Dermal Matrix Therapy Radio Frequency is said to help tighten skin on the face and body through the use of heat which penetrates deep into dermis layer and stimulates the production of collagen.

The radio frequency is generated through a machine with various metal attachments. For the face, there are two different sized pads which are massaged over the skin during the 40 minute treatment.

The procedure feels warm on the skin but should be comfortable at all times. After RF the skin can look slightly red but makeup can be applied straight advocates of this procedure say.

Unconfirmed suggestions are that the power of up to 8 watts and a frequency around 13.500 MHz is often used.

Midland On Air.

A COMMUNITY radio station for Midland could be up and running within 12 months.

The station would unite the community and promote local artists, businesses and produce broadcasting to Midland, the Swan Valley and Hills.

Other cities have got their own station, like Joondalup, Rockingham, Mandurah and Gosnells, so why not Midlands asked the committee.

The committee is also looking for a suitable building in Midland from which to broadcast.

No word in yet as to AMAS response and if frequencies exist.

Cyclone Sunday today, Sunday 30.

It is coming up to the time of year in the North when all should be thinking about preparations for the cyclone season.

As the news goes to air the Townsville City Council is holding the annual Cyclone Sunday Emergency Expo and you are invited to head along, regardless if you are new to town, driving through or have lived in the north for many years, to get informed about what needs to be done to successfully 'weather' curly winds, horizontal rain, sudden flooding, panic buying, loss of electrons

and extended shop closing hours.

Cyclone Sunday happens in Strand Park from 9am until noon today Sunday October 30th and entry is free.

(tarc)

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WIA National Field Day 2012

Philip Adams - VK3JNI

The date of the next WIA National Field Day is the weekend of the 14th and 15th of April 2012. Providing two days of possible operation will support club requests for some flexibility to suit their local community with operation on either the Saturday or Sunday.

This is not suggesting that the clubs would need to operate their displays over the two days unless they wanted to.

Advertising material will require a little customising by local clubs to match the times and date of the local activity. Acknowledging valuable feedback from clubs, some changes to the rules and guidelines of the 2012 event will be advised to support the two days of operation of this event as it is certainly not a traditional AR contest. The rewarding or recognition of clubs who take pride in their preparation and presentation will still be encouraged.

The objective of the WIA National Field Day is to positively place the hobby of amateur radio in front of the general public, to provide various clubs with an opportunity to promote their activities and increase the awareness of amateur radio training opportunities, either via the local clubs or the amateur radio fraternity as a whole.

Expressions of Interest - WIA NFD Committee

The event will continue to be coordinated and managed by a small committee.

In September, interested parties where invited to express their interest in joining this committee. Please forward your expression of interest via your state WIA Advisory Committee members TODAY!

The chair of each Advisory Committee is asked to forward these nominations during the first week of November to the WIA office. Former committee members are welcome to nominate if they wish to continue in this role.

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news

Email Address : r_demkiw@yahoo.com.au

E-waste clean-up day.

Amateurs in the inner-west of Sydney are informed that there will be an e-waste clean-up day on Saturday the 12th of November at the rear of the Canterbury Council chambers, Campsie.

This is a good opportunity to dispose of your old CRT monitors and TVs as well as computers, mobile phones and other electronic equipment.

VK3

WIA Annual Conference Mildura

May 25th, 26th and 27th 2012

Details for the WIA 2012 Annual Conference being held in Mildura are on wia.org.au

Host club is Sunraysia Radio Group, led by Garry Briant VK3KYF and Noel Ferguson VK3FI.

WIA Members who register for the event will be able to participate in a range of fascinating and memorable activities.

The Centenary Award and VK 100 ARV

The special callsign VK100ARV begins this Tuesday. The Scout Radio & Electronics Unit fires up from Gilwell Park, on HF and Slow Scan TV.

On Wednesday night it will be on the digital ATV repeater VK3RTV, and also the DX bands.

Thursday and Friday will see action from Luke Steele VK3HJ, Terry Murphy VK3UP and Tony Hambling VK3VTH.

Then for five days, the, Western & Northern Suburbs Amateur Radio Club takes its turn.

Every valid contact with VK100ARV earns ten bonus points towards the Amateur Radio Victoria Centenary Award. See www.amateurradio.com.au for more details.

'though each day is allocated there remains some limited flexibility. If you're keen to enjoy the once in a life opportunity it offer contact without the Award Manager Tony Hambling VK3VTH vk3vth@amateurradio.com.au

November 1 - 0000-1300 VK3SGC Scout Radio & Electronics Unit.
November 2 - Keith Proctor VK3FT, Peter Cossins VK3BFG through VK3RTV.
November 3 - Luke Steele VK3HJ.
November 4 - Terry Murphy VK3UP assisted by Tony Hambling VK3VTH.
November 5 until 9 - Western & Northern Amateur Radio Club.
November 10, 11 & 12 - Terry Murphy VK3UP assisted by Tony Hambling VK3VTH.
November 13 - Luke Steele VK3HJ.
November 14 - Keith Proctor VK3FT, Digital SSTV Group (VK3RML 1000z-1300z).

November 15 & 16 - Keith Proctor VK3FT.
November 17 - Luke Steele VK3HJ.
November 18 - Peter Freeman VK3PF.
November 19 & 20 - Terry Murphy VK3UP (Brisbane Ranges National Park).
November 21 - Keith Proctor VK3FT, Digital SSTV Group (VK3RML 1000z-1300z).
November 22 - Luke Steele VK3HJ.
November 23 & 24 - Joe Walsh VK3XH
November 25, 26 & 27 - Sunraysia Radio Group.
November 28 - Keith Proctor VK3FT, Digital SSTV Group (VK3RML 1000z-1300z).
November 29 & 30 - Terry Murphy VK3UP assisted by Tony Hambling VK3VTH.

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

VK4 - QNEWS
Send your stories for news. SCRIPT to qnews@wia.org.au
send audio to http://www.wia.org.au/members/broadcast/upload/

get local audio news www.wiaq.com/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
get local news emailed qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

REPEATERS

Both VK4RCA systems have been permanently removed from Mt Yarrabah and will be resited at VK4RIK - Mt Haren.

IRLP NODE 6163
146.550 DTMF 123Hz

I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP, and I've been thinking.

>From time to time there are issues which come up in our families, our workplaces and our clubs. These can start out as seemingly simple ideas but they can spark a gut reaction which raises the heat above normal.

Part of the process of moving along our club activities is getting people to follow common goals. This can be running a club station in a contest, having a project to build or even arranging a get together for members and their families. There are so many opportunities for group activities in amateur radio.

Part of the trick is to choose activities that will keep the bulk of members involved and excited. The other part of the trick is not to be limited by the will of one or a small group in the club. For club life to work, just as for our personal life to work, we must be prepared to compromise and accept compromise.

When we make our choices is the time for clear heads and cool thoughts and like in fox hunting, it is when we can properly get redfaced and excited in completing the project.

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think....how about you?

VK5

Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society Inc Hamfest 20 November.

Commercial vendors and second hand sellers in attendance. Displays and demonstrations. Goodwood Community Centre, Rosa St 0930.
Tea, coffee, snacks and BBQ available.
Visit www.ahars.com.au for contact details.

DISCUSSION POINT

What use is an f-call?

Nothing, nothing at all.

Well, that is, unless you practice.

You're sure to have heard the expression, practice makes perfect. In any environment, learning about the task at hand is only a very small part of the process. The learning part for an f-call for me was spent listening to a very entertaining lecture over a weekend.

There was a practical component to be sure - I keyed the microphone a couple of times, adjusted a radio, used a multi-meter and connected a PL259 to it's SO239.

The vast majority of time was spent reading, listening and looking at diagrams.

Another weekend and a few exams and I had a foundation license.

My official practical "air-time" could be counted in minutes on the fingers of one hand.

So, why do I sound so confident on air today, if all of my practical time was so short? Well, I've had experience and practice in another area. I've conducted some 1500 radio interviews, lasting from 5 to 30 minutes each, so my "air-time" is a little higher than five minutes. I also have an aviation radio license which forced me to learn my phonetic alphabet. This means that I will sound confident on air, but it doesn't mean that I have lots of practical experience in all of the Amateur Radio field.

I know that this is an issue, so I set out to practice lots. In different situations and environments, different radios, different locations, different people around, different power, antenna, etc. I try to go out of my way learning about the impacts of settings, connectors, etc. I read the user manual of my radio. I read articles on-line, the IARU Ethics and Operating Procedures for the Radio Amateur, you name it, I'll have a go at reading it.

I was loaned a copy of the Department of Civil Aviation Technical Training Section on Transmission Lines and Wave Guides and for light reading I plan to at least get the gist of what is being discussed.

While I realise that I'm possibly a little eccentric in my thirst for information, you might want to start your own path towards this.

I started with "Practice makes Perfect" and in a technical hobby such as Amateur Radio, that is the best advice I can give you.

Key your mike, terminate a patch-lead, make an antenna, mount a mast, do it all.

If you're not handy, that's you're not really sure of how to crimp a connector, or how to cut a cable, ask another amateur or join an amateur radio club and ask there during practical sessions.

It's easy to sound confident, to look confident, to be confident if you practice.

A teenage friend of mine commented recently that they were not sure if they made the right decision. I pointed out that learning is all about making decisions, both good ones and bad ones.

One final comment. While this is Amateur Radio, that doesn't mean that you cannot be professional in your approach. What I mean is that, the Amateur component of Amateur Radio refers to Commercial Use, not the professionalism of the participants.

Be prepared, practice and most of all, have fun - this is a hobby after all.

I'm Onno, vk6flab

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART and the WW sources of the WIA.

Fiji Broadcasting Corporation Television has started airing its first free to air programmes this week.

Programmes going to air are just test programmes for the greater Suva and Nausori area and not the final programme of FBC TV.

Education, entertainment, information programmes and viewers in Fiji will be able to watch programmes for free from the same programmes that appear on pay service currently.

The official launching of FBC TV is expected November.

Ex-radio centre will be preserved

A former naval radio communications facility in Nagasaki Prefecture and five other historic sites are expected to be designated soon by the government as important cultural assets.

The facility in Sasebo is believed to have transmitted the fateful coded signal "Niitakayama nobore" ("Climb Mount Niitaka") ordering the Imperial Japanese Navy to attack Pearl Harbour in December 1941 and thus triggered the Pacific War.

The naval structure was built in southern Sasebo in 1922 and is noted for its three 136-meter-tall concrete radio transmitter shafts and for being the only low-frequency radio telecommunications centre in Japan.

It was taken out of service in 1997.

The Japanese Navy was the first navy in the world to use wireless telegraphy in combat, at the 1905 Battle of Tsushima.

Radio Frequency modules made in the United States ended up in the detonation systems of roadside bombs targeting coalition forces in Iraq, according to

the US Justice Department.

The department said it is seeking the extradition of four men who were arrested Monday in Singapore. The department said the men, all citizens of Singapore, falsely told the Minnesota-based firm, Digi International, that made the modules that the parts were for a telecommunications project in Singapore.

The modules, ordinarily used in wireless local area networks, have an encryption capability and can transmit data wirelessly up to 40 miles when configured with certain antennae.

The indictment also charges three of the Singaporean men with a separate fraud conspiracy involving an attempt to acquire two types of military antennae from the United States.

California Adds Sales Tax to Amazon.com

The Governor of California has signed a bill that will allow that state to collect sales tax on all merchandise sold from Amazon.com

Amazon, have until September 15, 2012 to implement state tax on all purchases made within the jurisdiction. Supporters of the new legislation are claiming that this will help small businesses compete with e-commerce companies that need fewer people to fill orders.

Amazon claims that a sales tax will take away their "competitive edge" from their online "bargain" prices.

SoundHound music application for identifying songs.

SoundHound, whose music app can identify songs playing on the radio or hummed by its users, reports that it is processing about 4 million name-that-tune requests a day.

The statistic is interesting because it gives a glimpse of how popular music "searches" have become in the age of computers that can recognize both voice and sound.

Apple iPhone 4S users may be enthralled with the device's Siri application, whose cheeky answers have become a viral staple on about 77,500 videos on YouTube. But the technology behind Siri is something that SoundHound has been developing for the last five years.

What are SoundHound's users clicking on?

All sorts of things: song lyrics, artist biographies, photos and greatest hits lists.

Some even click over to iTunes or Amazon.com's MP3 store to buy the songs.

In an age where there are tens of millions of songs online, finding the tune that your grandmother hummed to you as a child may be like searching for a needle in a digital haystack.

SoundHound is aiming to find that 'needle' for you!

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2011

Nov 26-27 WIA Spring VHF-UHF Field Day

2012

January VK Ross Hull Memorial VHF UHF Contest

March 17-18 VK JOHN MOYLE MEMORIAL FIELD DAY

June Long Weekend (vk4 time) VK Shires Contest.

July First full weekend NZART Memorial Contest

IARU Region 3 Operating Award

The award is available to licensed amateurs and SWLs.

Contacts made after April 5, 1982 are eligible.

QSL cards NOT required. Send certified list of eligible contacts from Log Book.

Cost is US $4.00.

Eligible countries are those in ITU Region 3 whose amateur societies are members of IARU Region 3.

These are:
Australia, Bangladesh, Brunei, China (PRC), Chinese Taipei (Taiwan), Fiji, French Polynesia (FO8 only), Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Japan, Korea, Macau, Malaysia, New Caledonia, New Zealand, Pakistan, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Pitcain Islands, Samoa, Singapore, Solomon Islands, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Tonga, Vanuatu, Vietnam.

PLUS -
ONE Country credit from US Territories in the Pacific from Guam, Northern Marianas, American Samoa, Wake Island, Baker Howland Group, as represented by ARRL.

or

ONE Country credit from Chago Archipelago (VQ9), represented by RSGB.

Current total of available 'countries' is 34.

Requirements for Award as from January 1, 1986:
Basic, 7 areas;
Silver Endorsement, 15 areas;
Gold Endorsement, 20 areas.

These to be reviewed as considered necessary by the custodian who would recommend appropriately to the Secretariat.

Awards may be endorsed for any mode or band.

Application to NZART Awards Manager.
Alan Chapman ZL3GX
PO Box 1733
Christchurch 8140
New Zealand
awards @ nzart.org.nz

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

Five operators are active from Bhutan until 1 November.

During the CQ WW SSB Contest this weekend (29-30 October) look for A52IR
on 80m, A52PC on 40m, A52PP on 20m, A25AB on 15m and A51B on 10m.

Outside the contest times they will work other bands and modes.

Gerard de Jong is now active from Antarctica as ZS7KX.
He is stationed at SANAE 4 Base, Vesleskarvet, Queen Maude Land, Antarctica.

He can be heard on 14,175 MHz from 14:00 UTC, weather permitting.
He will give a call every half hour until 15:30 UTC. Gerard will be at
SANAE 4 until February 2012.

IRLP Ghost Net

The first, and possibly-annual, IRLP Ghost Net will be meeting next week.

The net will meet at 0:00 UTC on Monday, October 31 (5 pm Sunday Pacific time).
It will meet on IRLP reflector 9204.

All are welcome to check in, and kids are encouraged to join in the spooky fun.

Sutter, KI6ZON

U.S. haunted lighthouse op

Look for Dan, KD3CQ, to activate the special event station W3H (Whiskey 3
Haunted) on October 31st, from Maryland's Lighthouses -- Point Lookout
(ARLHS USA-628), listed as one of the USA haunted lighthouses, along with
Point Lookout Light (ARLHS USA-1409), and possibly Solomon's Lump
(ARLHS USA-767), if visible.

Point Lookout was a "Union Prisoner of War Camp" set up to hold Confederate
prisoners after the "1863 Battle of Gettysburg"; the lighthouse was used as
the Infirmary.

Activation will start at 1300z and end at 1345z, on 7270 kHz +/-,
then 14270 kHz +/- and possibly 18150 kHz +/-.

THE QNEWS WORK BENCH - the nuts and volts report - Measure Twice cut Once.

Development of HAMCALC to cease

Long-standing software developer George Murphy, VE3ERP, has hung up his
keyboard and is retiring from further development on HAMCALC.

For those unfamiliar with the software, HAMCALC is a collection of useful calculators for amateur radio use, widely used throughout the amateur community.

The latest version of HAMCALC can be downloaded at
www.cq-amateur-radio.com

(RSGB)

MEDIA WATCH
www.cq-amateur-radio.com/WorldRadio.html
VK Club Bulletins http://groups.yahoo.com/group/aarnie/

A further look at Amateur Radio magazine

On this broadcast last week we had the IARU Region 3 ARDF Championships, the New South Wales Department of Planning making radio mast laws more flexible, and what is happening on the bands.

Now we look its technical articles - Porta-Loop MF reception by Peter Parker VK3YE, a Sensitive Field Strength Meter from Tony La Macchia VK2BTL, A Simple Microwave Beeper by Lou Blasco VK3ALB and an Audio Compressor from Dale Hughes VK1DSH.

There's also a switched mode power supply repair from Erich Heinzle VK5HSE and a simple balanced line protector by Justin Giles-Clark VK7TW.

In history the Amateur Operators Certificate and the Morse code requirement is looked at by Lloyd Butler VK5BR and there's a walk through the early days from Alan Elliott VK3AL.

Amateur Radio magazine is part of WIA membership and also at selected newsagents.

I'm Barry Robinson VK3PV and you're listening to VK1WIA.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ATV (Every pixel tells a story) - Video
arvideonews.com
hamradiotube.com
youtube.com
qdg.org.au

Vintage Film - The World of Amateur Radio

Dick Van Dyke, Barry Goldwater K7UGA, Arthur Godfrey K4LIB and many others extol the virtues of amateur radio in this vintage film from the 1970's.

On YouTube Tim Verthein KC0JEZ writes:

"I converted this old and somewhat damaged 16mm film to video tape many many years ago when the technology to do that was rather archaic. I have now converted those old video reels to digital movies. Not the best quality but still quite amusing.

Watch Hams Wide World-Amateur Radio Vintage Film

Google on youtubes Tim KC0JEZ's website

http://www.edselmotors.com/

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS - FINAL FRONTIER

One of the leading contributors to our understanding of the universe sits in our rural backyard, says ABC Rural in a great story on the CSIRO's Parkes radio telescope, also known as the Dish, which is located in central west VK2.

The Dish turns 50 Monday October 31, but due to recent upgrades making it 10,000 times stonger than in 1961 it's still ranked among the top ten radio telescopes in the world.

http://www.abc.net.au/rural/telegraph/content/2011/s3349555.htm

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RESCUE RADIO
IARU REGION 3
Emergency Centre of Activity (CoA) frequencies
3.600, 7.110, 14.300, 18.160 and 21.360 MHz

On November 9, at 2:00 p.m. Eastern time, televisions and radios across the USA will broadcast a series of beeps followed by the message,
"This is a test."

While local and state components of the Emergency Alert System (EAS) are tested on a weekly and monthly basis, respectively, this will mark the first time that the federal government conducts a nationwide, "top-to-bottom" test.

EAS serves as the USA's public warning system.

The test will last for approximately three minutes on all over-the-air broadcasts, cable television systems, wireless cable systems, satellite digital audio radio service (SDARS) providers and direct broadcast satellite (DBS) providers.

While state and local authorities typically utilize EAS for weather-related emergencies and public notices, such as Amber child abduction alerts, it also serves as the primary means for the President to relay critical information to citizens during an emergency.

"Early warnings save lives," explained FCC Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau Chief James A. Barnett, Jr. in a recent release. "This was demonstrated recently and dramatically during the major earthquake and tsunami that devastated eastern Japan. Except for Japan's early warning systems, loss of life would have been much higher."

HISTORIC CAR RALLY - EAST GIPPSLAND

Amateur Radio Operators will be visiting East Gippsland during the weekend of the 26th and 27th of November to provide support for the Historic Rally Association of Victoria during their conduct of one of the biggest car rallies in Australia, with vehicles coming from all around Australia and New Zealand.

This exercise will operate over two days and one night and will be in the forest area on "back roads" off the Princes Highway between Lakes Entrance and the township of Cann River

An Amateur Radio communication system to provide vital safety reporting of car positions will operate through several 2m repeaters previously established by the East Gippsland Amateur Radio Club, providing communications along the Highway The reporting of vehicle positions will be to one central control point to ensure the safety of all competitors.

If you would like to be an operator at one of these control positions, have a close up view of the event and spend a day in the Gippsland forest, please contact Col Pomroy Email at colinpomroy@bigpond.com or Mobile 0417 305 702 I'm Michael, Clubs publicity officer vk3hau.

Turkey earthquake - avoid 7.092 MHz USB

A magnitude 7.2 earthquake struck the Van region of Eastern Turkey causing great loss of life and hundreds of casualties. Radio Amateurs from the Turkish national amateur radio society TRAC are responding to assist with communications in the area.

There are some frequencies in use on HF, currently used to link with Government resources and this is meaning that some frequencies outside the amateur bandplan and normal usage are being used until more equipment gets to the region. When this happens, more traffic should move to the normal Emergency Communications Centre of Activity frequencies.

Please avoid causing QRM to emergency traffic on 7.092 MHz USB. USB is being used to allow communications with a government station.

REWIND

Radio players to thrill and make audience laugh at Katoomba

FANS of radio plays in Western Sydney will be treated to a thriller and a comedy at Katoomba by the Blue Mountains Radio Players this weekend.

The first play to be performed at Mountain Heritage Hotel and Spa is 'The Voice On The Wire' and the second is 'Fibber Has A Happy Face' from 2.30pm.

The Voice On The Wire is from the Inner Sanctum Mysteries Series first broadcast on November 29, 1944.

The second play from the Fibber McGee & Molly Series was written by Don Quinn Phil Leslie and was first aired on June 8, 1943.

It is based on the theory that the way you feel is reflected in the way you look hence, look happy and you will feel happy.

The two radio plays are performed before a live audience at Mountain Heritage Hotel & Spa, corner of Apex and Lovel Streets.

Phone 47822 155 for 'nformation times etc..

SOCIAL SCENE

2011

Nov 20 VK5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society Hamfest
Goodwood Community Centre, Rosa St Goodwood at 0930.
Visit www.ahars.com.au for contact details

2012

15TH IARU REGION 3 CONFERENCE hosted by V.A.R.C. in Ho-Chi-Minh City, Vietnam.

JAN 23-FEB 17 YEAR 2012
World Radio Conference WRC-11 Geneva 23rd January TO 17th February 2012

FEB 12 VK3 CentreVictoria Hamfest, Kyneton Racecourse

FEB 26 VK2 CCARC WYONG FIELD DAY

APR 14-15 VK WIA National Field Day.

MAY 3-18 VK5 YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

JULY 14 VK4 Wide Bay Hamfest. West Maryborough Scout Hall

Nov 12 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST (ROSEBUD BY THE BAY)

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Submitting news items

If you would like to submit news items for inclusion in the
VK1WIA broadcasts, please email your item in text to nationalnews@wia.org.au

to submit audio read "how to submit items" in the weekly news page on
wia.org.au

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being
broadcast in the very next edition of WIA National News.

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TWITTER http://twitter.com/VK1WIA

Societies and Club News Letter Editors can EXCHANGE a feed prior to
the actual broadcast date, e-mail nationalnews@wia.org.au

Call-backs follow the RF editions, but also for text readers you may lodge a quick reply to let us know you read it, who knows, you might even get a "cheerio call".

Thanks to our dedicated band of broadcast volunteers who utilize their time and equipment in bringing you this weekly broadcast.

The purpose of "WIANews" is to rapidly provide news of interest to active amateurs residing in Australia and the globe.

We strongly encourage membership in the Wireless Institute of Australia and participation in the activities of local clubs.

Opinions expressed in "WIANews" are those of the writers who submit material and do not necessarily reflect those of the rebroadcasters, nor the National WIA, but are broadcast in the spirit in which they were submitted.

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1034. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2011-034E - RAC Distracted Driving Committee meets with MTO Officials

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Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2011-034E - RAC Distracted Driving Committee meets with MTO Officials
2011-10-27

On October 20th the same day that the Honourable Bob Chiarelli was sworn in as the new
Minister of Transportation, Steve Pengelly, VE3STV former RAC HLC, Jeff Stewart, VA3WXM
Southern Ontario Director and Bill Unger, VE3XT North East Ontario Director met with the
Assistant Deputy Minister Road User Safety Division and the Director Safety Policy and
Education Branch.

One of the questions we were asked is why Amateurs believe we deserve an exemption to
operate while mobile. We explained that in order to be proficient in the use of our
radio systems including mobiles and repeaters, in order to ensure they are always in
working order and in order to ensure we know where they work best and where they don't
work well at all, we must continually test them. This is done by daily usage and by
providing community service to many diverse groups across the Province. They were told
that many communities rely on the Amateur Radio Operators in their areas as part of
their emergency preparedness plans. They were also advised that Amateurs have
installed, at no expense to the taxpayer, a communications infrastructure that provides
a backup to existing telecommunications systems in which authorities can have
confidence.

We demonstrated a 2 Metre radio to them and illustrated the difference between Simplex
using PTT and Duplex with cell phones. We emphasized that to use our radios and
communicate we did not have to remove our eyes from the road.

It was also brought to their attention that we are a relatively small group of private
individuals and for us to continue our public service while having to comply with the
new legislation, could be a financial hardship on some Amateurs.

The Ministry Officials raised several other questions as to why we cannot comply with
the legislation. They were answered with solid technical and operational explanations
as to the difficulties we would encounter in order to do this.

A reasoned set of arguments was presented to allay their concerns regarding safety and
to explain why Amateurs should be treated differently than others and exempted on a
permanent basis.

Ontario has committed to consult with RAC early in the New Year on this matter so a
permanent solution can be found prior to January 2013.

Bill Unger VE3XT
Chair - Ontario Distracted Driving Committee
North/East Ontario Regional Director - Radio Amateurs of Canada

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1035. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC bulletin 2011-033E-A - Error in Bulletin 2011-033E

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-28 22:59:15 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4EAB341D.3030207@rac.ca>
Source record: 4075
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There was a small error in Bulletin 2011-033E in the copy sent to me.
The
correct e-mail address is: <restructont@gmail.com>

73, Vernon

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1036. SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 30 OCTOBER 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-10-29 19:00:12 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <20111029190005.566C133C8E@panix2.panix.com>
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SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 30 OCTOBER 2011

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. PLEASE NOTE: for audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 and 3,695 MHz SSB.

In the news today:

AN ADVANCED LICENCE - JOIN THE DEBATE TONIGHT

2012 ARRL HANDBOOK AND ANTENNA BOOK NOW AVAILABLE

CHANGES AT DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATIONS

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting news items.

AN ADVANCED LICENCE - JOIN THE DEBATE TONIGHT

You are invited to join the on-the-air debate on the INTECNET this evening, starting at 19:30. An edited (irrelevant discussion outside the subject removed) version of the debate which was held at the RTA in Gauteng last month is available on the web from the SARL TODAY news item on the home page. You may also send your input by email to artpday@satl.org.za before 16:00 today.

Clubs are invited to link their local repeater to the teleconference bridge. Send requests to artoday@sarl.org.za before noon today if had not already been done.

2012 ARRL HANDBOOK AND ANTENNA BOOK NOW AVAILBLE

The hard cover 2012 Handbook and the new hardcover Antenna book of the ARRL are now available from the South African Amateur Radio Development Trust by mail order. Books ordered by Monday 31 October close of business will be shipped on 1 November, orders received after that will be shipped on December 9. Full details on how to order and a review of the content of these two new books can be found on

www.amateurradio.org.za/BOOKS.htm.

CHANGES AT DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATIONS

Several journalists writing for the main stream media believe that the Department of Communications (DOC) new leadership is expected to run the department with an iron fist. Dina Pule and Tembisa Stella Ndabeni were both appointed during a cabinet shuffle announced by President Zuma last Monday. Dina is the new minister of communication and Stella her deputy. Both women have been described by MD of World Wide Worx, Arthur Goldstuck and an unnamed official, as "no nonsense" individuals who are likely to implement current and new strategies at the DOC and in the communications sector.

Dina Pule was previously the deputy minister in the Presidency for performance monitoring and evaluation. In a report by the Business Day, she is described as being known as a "pragmatic leftist" by party members. Despite her lack of knowledge and association with the ICT sector upon her initial appointment in 2009, Pule has made a name for herself in the Mpumalanga Provincial Legislature holding several executive council appointments including that of safety and security and agriculture. Her fair amount of administrative and organisational experience is expected to help her meet several of the department's deadlines. The most urgent of which is the switch from analogue to digital TV by next year April, which she warned in 2009 that "South Africa was unlikely to make its 80% coverage target for 2010, and its 100% coverage target for 2011, if it did not receive assistance from industry participants".

Stella Ndabeni is also no stranger to the DOC. She was the ANC's communications committee whip. She became an MP in the 2009 general election. She rose to prominence after being ousted from the national executive committee and national working committee of the ANC Youth League during internal power struggles. Describing herself as a "no-nonsense" person on her Facebook profile, our source believes that Ndabeni's outspoken nature will benefit the DOC, by "acting on the concerns that she might have had during portfolio committee meetings".

US TIGHTENS BPL INTERFERENCE RULES - BUT NOT BY ENOUGH SAYS ARRL

On 25 October 2011, the US FCC released the second report and order in its proceeding - now in its 9th year - to adopt rules for Access Broadband over Power Line (BPL) systems. The Second Report and Order is the final step in the Commission's effort to comply with the directives of the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit, which in April 2008 ordered the FCC to correct errors it had committed in the course of adopting rules in 2004. The Court acted in response to a Petition for Review filed by the ARRL.

In July 2009, the FCC issued a Request for Further Comment and Further Notice of Proposed Rule Making in which it proposed slight modification of measurement standards for determining whether a BPL system is in

compliance with the maximum allowable levels of radiated emissions. In response, the ARRL argued that coupled with a scientifically valid extrapolation factor for determining those levels, mandatory notching of the amateur bands to a level 35 dB below the general emission limit would reduce the likelihood of harmful interference to amateur stations to a level that would permit any remaining harmful interference to be remedied on a case-by-case basis. The ARRL noted that its request for mandatory notching simply reflected the best practices of the BPL industry.

The Commission decided not to adopt its own proposal and also declined to adopt the ARRL's request for mandatory notching. You can read the full story on the member's section of the SARL web.

COMPETITION NEWS

Come and join in on the fun during the 4th SARL RaDAR contest to be held on Saturday the 5th of November 2011 (See the "Blue book" for details). This contest is for everyone, at home, mobile and in the field. Take on the challenge and carry your field equipment for only one kilometer before setting up a field station and earn the extra points for your efforts. The emphasis is on having fun. This contest is there to test your own readiness in difficult conditions. Please consider operating for the full duration of the contest (14:00 to 20:00). Take some awesome photos of your setup and send them in with your log sheets.

Results of the 2nd leg of the 80 m QSO Party held on the 6th October 2011:

There were 66 stations on the air with the divisional split as follows: Div 1 - 14 Div 2 - 1 Div 3 - 2 Div 4 - 7 Div 5 - 10 Div 6 - 30 Swaziland - 1 Namibia - 1

Scores are as follows: 1st. CHRISTO ZS3R 405 Points 2nd. PIETER ZS6XT 400 Points 3rd. DAWN ZS5ME 365 Points

The combined results of both legs are:

1st - Pieter ZS6XT 910 points 2nd - ZS4SRK 550 points 3rd - Dawn ZS5ME 525 points

Congratulations to the winners. The full results will appear in HF Happenings.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the expected solar activity is slightly down compared to last week but still very favourable for HF propagation. This is due to the many sunspots facing the Earth.

For the people doing their own frequency predictions the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 78.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with the higher bands typically opening first and the lower bands opening later during the day.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

Today 30 October at 19:30- Intechnet on proposed advanced license. Till 31 October - ZL-stations with ZM prefixes and ZL4RUGBY and ZL6RWC on the air. 4/6 November - AMSAT NA Space Symposium in San Jose California. 5 November - 4th SARL RaDAR contest from 14:00 till 20:00 CAT. 13 November - Pears HF Competition 12:00 till 16:00 UTC. 19/20 November - SARL Field day competition. 20 November - CW leg of 80 m Club competition. 27 November - Digital competition. 30 November - last day to send logs for Pears HF DX-expedition. 31 January 2012 - Last day for submission of nominations for Council members and also for submission of motions for the 2012 SARL AGM. 31 January 2012 - Closing date for submitting papers for SA AMSAT Space Symposium.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 16:30 UTC on 4 895 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by Gustav, Z6SBWN.

Thank you for listening, 73.
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1037. [RAC-Bulletin] Upcoming Events - November 2011

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Upcoming Events - November 2011.
2011-10-30

Special Event Station VA3AAR: 150th Birth Anniversary of Dr. James Naismith, Almonte Native, Inventor of Basketball

Sponsored by the Almonte Amateur Radio Club Inc. with the Dr. James Naismith Basketball Foundation and the Mississippi Valley Conservation Authority

>Date: Sunday, November 6, 2011, 24 hour operation 0000-2359 UTC (8:00 p.m. Eastern November 5 to 8:00 p.m. Eastern November 6)

Place: Mill of Kintail, Almonte, Ontario, Canada, Latitude 45.244339 N, Longitude 76.258062 W, FN 15vf, ITU 4, CQ 4

Description: Special Event: VA3AAR celebrating the 150th anniversary of the birth of Dr. James Naismith, Almonte native, to honour the inventor of basketball at the Mill of Kintail near his birthplace. Frequencies: 20 m 14150 kHz ± 5 kHz, 40 m 7250 kHz ± 5 kHz, 80 m near
3755 kHz. (Frequencies subject to adjustment if already in use by other stations).

Special Commemorative QSL: For our public display in the new year, please QSL direct to VE3NCE, P.O. Box 1644, Almonte, Ontario, K0A 1A0, Canada.

For more information regarding VHF and D-STAR contact channels go to: AARC Inc. website:
http://www.almontearclub.ca.

Email contact Rob Webb VE3UIX, AARC Inc. President, :
ve3uix@almontearclub.ca

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>Subject: GlobalSET November 2011

Hi

We are sending to you the information about GlobalSET November 2011.

HQ- Stations of all IARU R2 Member Societies and stations of Emergency Communications Groups are invited by IARU R1 to participate in the next Global Simulated Emergency Test. It is scheduled on Saturday, November 12th, 2011, from 11:00 to 15:00 Local Time.

YV5RNE will be HQ-Region 2 Station on the IARU R2 CoA's frequencies.

See
http://www.iaru-r1.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=873&globalset-rules-12-november-2011&catid=Tglobalset&Itemid=65

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1038. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 30th October 2011

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Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 30th October 2011

IRTS Committee Meeting

The next IRTS committee meeting will take place on 10th December at 11.00 in Portlaoise. Affiliated clubs are encouraged to send a representative. Most welcome.

Turkey Earth Quake

Radio Amateurs in Turkey remain active in the response to the earthquake in Van province on 23rd October.

Assistance has been given by TRAC in setting up VHF/UHF networks to relief agencies and some traffic is also being carried on the 144MHz band. Red Crescent, the Ministry of Health, local law enforcement agencies and the local command centre have been served so far.

The need for HF operations is reducing, however there is still a government station which may operate on 7.092MHz USB. Amateurs are still requested to be careful when operating between 7.092 and 7.095MHz to avoid interference to the ongoing relief operations.

Foyle and District Amateur Radio Rally

The Foyle and District Amateur Radio Club Rally takes place November 6th 2011 at the White Horse Hotel, 68 Clooney Road, Derry, BT47 3PA. Doors open at 12 noon. The usual traders will be present and IRTS will have a stand also on display. Further details from www.mn0aku.co.uk

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Mayo Radio Experimenters Network

Mayo Chairperson calls for radio enthusiasts to join their local club.

Jimmy Kelly, EI2GCB, was re-elected Chairperson of the Mayo Radio Experimenters, at their recent AGM. This is Jimmy's third consecutive year, and, under the club rues, he will have to step aside at next year's AGM, because of the three year rule. Adrian Healy, EI2HAB, was returned as Treasurer and selected for the first time as IRTS Club Rep.

The other officers elected were: Newsletter Editor - John Corless, EI7IQ, PRO - David Hatfield, EI3ECB, Rally Director - Padraic Baynes, EI9JA, and QSL Manager - Brendan Minish, EI6IZ. Addressing the meeting, the Chairperson Jimmy Kelly, EI2GCB, said the club continues to have a strong and vibrant membership with well attended monthly meetings and is financially solid. He congratulated Adrian Healy on his success in the July theory examination. He said that everyone interested in the hobby should join their local club; the availability of theory classes being one of the many benefits of membership. The club performs well in contests, he said, including winning the portable section of the IRTS 80mts. Counties Contest. He noted that MREN took part in the Lighthouses on the Air event for the first time this year, which proved a very enjoyable event. He added that the club was delighted to support the scouting event, JOTA, again this year. He thanked members who called in to the club callsign, EIMRE/P, which is used in these events. The club organised a number of publicity and promotion events over the summer on an experimental basis. These were public events and he reported limited success, adding that while they were very worthwhile endeavours, the events themselves would need tweaking for next year. The chairperson reminded the meeting that the Rally would be held on November 20th this year at it now established venue of The Welcome Inn Hotel in Castlebar. He thanked the management and staff of the hotel for their continued support of the club. Jimmy also congratulated John Browne, EI7FAB, winner of the MREN annual activity, with half a point margin over Dominic Curtin, EI9JS, in the closest-run club event ever. The annual activity is decided by a cumulative tally of scores recorded in the twelve monthly competitions held by the club for its members.

He concluded his report by thanking his fellow officers and all the members for their attendance at club meetings and events and their support over the year past.

The Connor Shield (for outstanding service to hobby,) was won jointly by Jimmy Kelly, EI2GCB and Dominic Curtin, EI9JS and the Wishing Well Shield (for outstanding service to the club) was won by Padraic Baynes, EI9JA.

CASHOTA

MM0DHQ will be transmitting from Kilwinning Abbey, in Scotland as part of CASHOTA (Castles and Stately Homes on the Air) on Tuesday 1st November 2011. All details can be found at www.cashota.co.uk

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Tipperary Amateur Radio Group

The Tipperary Amateur Radio Group will hold their Annual General Meeting on Wednesday next the 2nd November in the Raheen House Hotel, Raheen Road, Clonmel at 8.30pm All are Welcome.

Dundalk Amateur Radio Society, EI7DAR

Dundalk Amateur Radio Society, EI7DAR, extends its heartiest congratulation to Jim Daly, 2I0SBI, Treasurer to DAR on passing the recent Amateur Radio examination in Dublin. Throughout the years, Jims' commitment and dedication to DAR has been exemplary and we know he will wear the accolade of an Amateur Radio call sign with great pride.

South Dublin Radio Club

At last Tuesday's meeting of South Dublin Radio Club, Daniel EI9FHB gave a talk on the plans for an ATV repeater to be located at a site in the Dublin Mountains. Daniel described the components to be used in the forthcoming repeater and also suggested a number of sources of equipment suitable for reception of ATV signals. The new ATV repeater will be on the 13 cms band (around 2.4 GHz). It is hoped that the repeater will provide coverage for much of Dublin city and surrounding areas.

DX News

Three separate expeditions will be active during November from the Maldive Islands. From now until 4 November look for 8Q7SO which will be operated by JK1KSB while on holiday there. The others are by G3VDB who will sign 8Q7EJ between 31 October and 13 November and I0WDX who will activate 8Q7CC from 2 - 12 November.

A CW only trip with emphasis on 160m and 80m is being undertaken by two Scottish amateurs GM3YTS and GM0GAV. They will be QRV from Malawi from 31 October to 13 November using the callsign 7Q7GM. QSLs go via GM4FDM and logs will also be uploaded to Logbook of the World.

Easter Island will be available on the HF bands from 3 - 11 November when LA5UF operates as CE0Y/LA5UF. This one counts as SA-001 for the IOTA Award.

LA9DL and LA6VM will be active as A52DL and A52VM respectively from the semi-rare DXCC entity of Bhutan from 3 - 13 November. QSLs go via the home calls.

The T32C DXpedition to East Kiribati has now gone QRT. Operating for just over 4 weeks, the group had well over 200,000 QSOs, covering all bands from 6 metres to 160 metres. This was achieved despite the fact that the equipment they originally planned to use never arrived on the island and they had to make do with smaller rigs, amplifiers and antennas. No doubt Paul EI5DI and Dave EI9FBB, who were part of the team, will have plenty of stories to tell from their weeks on the island.

The DXpedition to South Sudan, call sign ST0R, which took place in July and August of this year, was eagerly awaited by the DX community, as it offered the first opportunity to work this new country. QSL cards for

this operation have now started arriving. To prevent the DXCC checking system from being completely swamped by requests for credits, the ST0R group have uploaded some of the QSOs to Logbook of the World; also, ARRL have announced a "special offer" to encourage DXCC holders to apply for credit for South Sudan only.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

1039. HOT VIDEOS FOR YOUTH AND WORLD SEXIEST GIRLS HOT PHOTOS

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Date: 2011-10-31 10:26:12 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
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Source record: 4079

A TO Z INFORMATION SEE IN THIS SITE

http://atwoztopic.blogspot.com/

ALL HOT PHOTOS SUPER SEXY PHOTOS

http://alltoux.blogspot.com/2010/09/hot-lip-kiss-135.html

ALL JOBS SITES FREE SEE

http://jobstwo.blogspot.com/

HOT VIDEOS

http://hotvideotoou.blogspot.com/2011/01/kiss-videos.html

hot lip kiss
http://hotvidos.blogspot.com/2010/07/hot-lip-kiss.html
hot kisses
http://hotvidos.blogspot.com/2010/07/hot-kisses.html
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1040. [DXNL] DXNL 1752 (Nov 2, 2011)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-01 00:06:43 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <1823496328.20111101005755@dxhf.darc.de>
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7Q, MALAWI
Rob,GM3YTS, and Gav,GM0GAV, have created a blog for 7Q7GM:
http://7q7gm.blogspot.com

7X, ALGERIA
Members of the Algerian radio club (ARA - 7X2ARA) are activating the
the special event station 7U1MA to mark the opening of the new metro
in Algiers in November. See also: http://www.ara-dz.org

8P, BARBADOS, NA-021
Joachim,DL9MS (8P9MS), Frank,DL8YHR (8P9DL), and Hermann,DL2NUD (8P9HP)
will work in holiday style from St. Peter Parish on Barbados (NA-021,
WLOTA 0999, Grid Loc. GK03) from Nov 7-21. They plan to be QRV on HF,
via EME on 6m/2m and also EME on 1296.120 MHz. QSLs via homecalls.

8Q, MALDIVES, AS-013
Cesare,I0WDX, will be QRV as 8Q7CC from Furanafushi Island (AS-013)
from Nov 2-12. QSL via homecall, unfortunately only direct.
Find more information online at: http://www.dxcoffee.com/8q7cc

A5, BHUTAN
Just,A52DL (LA9DL), and Erling,A52VM (LA6VM), will be active on 80m-10m
with IC-7000s and amp from Nov 3-13. A52DL will focus on PSK/SSB and
A52VM on CW. QSLs via homecalls.

Shin,JA2PSV, is working in Bhutan until September 2013. He plans to
work in CW/SSB/RTTY/PSK on 15m, 12m and 10m signing A52SV with 100 W
and a vertical during his spare time. QSL via JA2PSV and LoTW.

CE0, EASTER ISLAND, SA-001
Joe,CE0Y/LA5UF, plans to show up from Easter Island (SA-001) in CW and
PSK31 from Nov 3-11. QSL via bureau or direct to his homecall.

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS, OC-013
Oliver,W6NV, is QRV as E51NNV from Rarotonga (OC-013, WFF E5FF-002).
He has been spotted in CW and SSB on 10m. The length of his stay is not
known. QSL via homecall.

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS, OC-013 / NORTH COOK ISLANDS, OC-014
N7OU will show up as E51NOU from Manihiki (North Cook, OC-014) from
Nov 8-22. Right now he is still working from Rarotonga (OC-014) until
Nov 7. Bill is working only in CW with 100 watts and a vertical for
80m-10m. QSLs via homecall, via bureau is ok!

F, FRANCE
The special event station TM44RT will be activated from Nov 4-6 to mark
the 40th anniversary of the French Army's 44th Transmission Regiment.
QSL via F5KBB.

FG, GUADELOUPE, NA-102
Armin,FG/DK9PY, will be QRV only in CW from Guadeloupe (NA-102) from
Nov 6-25. Listen for him 15 kHz from the lower CW band edge on 80m-10m.

KP4, PUERTO RICO, NA-099
The Shield of Puerto Rico was granted by the Crown of Spain in 1511,
making it the oldest coat of arms which is still used in South America.
This 500th anniversary is celebrated by the Puerto Rico Amateur Radio
League (http://www.prarl.org) with the special event station K4E from
May 5-19. QSL via KP4ES (direct).

P2, PAPUA NEW GUINEA, OC-034
Luk,SQ5RGR, will delight the DXers as P29FM starting in November 2011.
Luk is a missionary and will stay in Lumi, in the Sandaun province,
50 km south of Aitape in the northwest of the island. QSL via SQ1K.
Since PNG has more than 800 islands you can expect activities from
other islands as well.

S2, BANGLADESH
Tom,KC0W (ex ZD7X/XU7XXX/TO0O), will stay in Bangladesh for the next
nine months and is expected to show up especially on 80m and 160m.
More details are not known.

SP, POLAND
The special callsign SN1LH will be active from Nov 2-4. QSL via SP1PBW.

TT8, CHAD
Phil,F4EGS, is working as TT8PK from N'Djamena during his spare time
between Oct 23 and Dec 23. QSL via F4EGS.

V6, MICRONESIA, OC-078
John,KH6DLK, is working on the Ulithi atoll (OC-078) and wants to hit
the bands as V63JB during his spare time. More details are not known.
QSL via homecall (see QRZ.com).
Please send no eQSLs, no Twitter or Facebook.

V7, MARSHALL ISLANDS, OC-028
Neil,WD8CRT, is expected to show up as V73NS from Kwajalein (OC-028)

for the next three years. QSL via W3HNK. Web: http://www.qsl.net/v73ns

VK, AUSTRALIA, OC-001
The special event station VK100ARV is activated during November to
celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Wireless Institute of Victoria.
QSL via bureau. See also: http://www.amateurradio.com.au
VK6 HAMs were allowed to use the prefix VI over the last weekend.

VK9X, CHRISTMAS ISLAND, OC-002 / VK9C, COCOS (KEELING) ISLAND, OC-003
Pekka,OH2YY, plans to be QRV as VK9XM from Christmas Island (OC-002)
on Nov 4 and again from Nov 8-11. In between, he wants to become active
as VK9CM from Cocos (Keeling) Island (OC-003) from Nov 5-7. Pekka works
in SSB on 7-28 MHz with 200 watts. Both QSLs via his homecall.

VP8/A, ANTARCTICA, AN-016
Tomas,CE9VPM, will stay on the Chilean Gab Gonzales Videla base from
November 2011 until March 2012 and wants to work mainly on 20m.
A slide show of CE9XX from 2009 can be found here:
http://www.french-polar-team.fr/CE9_Videla_Station_Antarctica.php
Before that Tomas was regularly active as CE9/CE3VPM from the the
Eduardo Frei Montalva base (South Shetlands) in 2008/2009:
http://www.french-polar-team.fr/CE9_Eduardo_Frei_Montalva_Station_King_
George_Island.php

VP9, BERMUDA ISLAND, NA-005
Paul,W4/VP9KF (G4BKI), is working as VP9KF only in CW on the HF bands
from Nov 2-16. QSL via W4/VP9KF (QRZ.com), unfortunately only direct.
See also: http://vp9kf.com

W, USA
Some 45 of the experimental stations WD2XSH/# (http://www.500kc.com)
plan to become active on 600 meters on Nov 3.

ZD8, ASCENSION ISLAND, AF-003
Tom,ZD8ZZ (K7ZZ), and Al,ZD8F (W6HGF), plan to show up from the Garden
Cottage on the Green Mountain of Ascension (AF-003) from Nov 8-22.
Tom will concentrate on CW while Al prefers RTTY, but both will work
also in SSB sporadically. If the band opens they may work also on 6m.
QSLs via homecall (direct) or LoTW.
Check also their website at: http://www.qsl.net/w6hgf/ZD8F-index.html

VA7DIN/mm • AROUND THE WORLD ON A YACHT!
Dinis,VA7DIN, and his wife Veronica started a circumnavigation around
the world from Richmond (Canada) in July 2010. His sailing yacht
"S/Y Vida Nova" is a Niagara 35, 11m long, build in Ontario. They have
just left the Chesterfield Islands (TX0) and are underway to Australia.
Dinis is very active in SSB on 20m.
Read their blog at: http://www.vidanova35.blogspot.com

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the

VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de
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The Claimed Scores of the WAEDC SSB 2011 have been published at:
http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/contest/waedc/en/results/ssb

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Nov 5: IPA Radio Club Contest
Nov 6: HSC CW Contest
Nov 6: DARC 10m Digital Contest Corona
Nov 5-6: Ukrainian DX Contest

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
NA-165, XE2, Baja California Sur State North East group: XE2HUQ, XE2HQI and
XE2HVF will be QRV in SSB and CW on 10m-80m signing XF1C from Coronado
from Nov 7-12. QSLs only direct via XE2HUQ.

OC-086, KH0, Northern Mariana Islands: Kan,JJ2RCJ, is active as AH0/AB2RF
from Saipan (WLOTA: 1333) from Nov 2-5. He will focus on RTTY and PSK
on 30m-80m. QSL via JJ2RCJ (bureau/direct/LoTW).
Find more information on: http://saipan.rental-shack.com/english

Approval of IOTA activities: Following activities between August and October
2011 were approved for the IOTA program: 5C2B (AF-068), 5C2J (AF-068),
5C2P (AF-068), 5C2S (AF-068), CN8QY/p (AF-068), MM0RAI/p (EU-189),
4W6AA (OC-232), YB9WZJ/p (OC-239), YB0MWM/9 (OC-239), PQ8OP (SA-045)
and PQ8XB (SA-045).

Lighthouse activities:
AH0/AB2RF LH 1333 Nov 2-5
FG/DK9PY LH 0644 Nov 6-25
8P9MS LH 0999 Nov 7-21
8Q7EJ LH 3911 Oct 31-Nov 13

Bandspots of the last 7 days

160m
MU/PA9M 1.818 2008Z EU-114, via PA9M (B)
4O3A 1.821 1959Z via YU1FW (B)

80m
MU/PA9M 3.786 1931Z EU-114, via PA9M (B)

40m
DH8WLA/p 7.031 1439Z EU-057, via homecall (B)
MU/PA9M 7.110 0809Z EU-114, via PA9M (B)
MU/PA9M 7.027 0647Z EU-114, via PA9M (B)

20m
C5A 14.204 2221Z via OM2FY (B)
CW5W 14.349 0359Z (L), (d)

FY5FY 14.326 0351Z via F6EZV (B)
HA40KKC 14.021 1458Z via HA5MA (d) or OQRS (B) at:
http://www.qrz.com/db/HA40KKC
K4ADV 14.061 1529Z SOTA W4/HB-029
KD0PNK 14.347 1918Z SOTA W/0FR-034
MU/PA9M 14.255 1032Z EU-114, via PA9M (B)
PW7T 14.346 0344Z via PT7WA (B)
PX2V 14.308 0358Z via PY2KJ (L), (d)
TX7M 14.028 1136Z Marquesas, OC-027, via RZ3EC (B), OQRS
VP9I 14.296 1928Z via N1HRA
WA2USA/p 14.062 1603Z (B), SOTA GA024
YI1IRQ 14.290 1234Z Pirate!
ZF2OE 14.084 1900Z RTTY, via OE2WNL (B)
4X5A 14.010 0520Z via 4Z5LA (B), (L)

17m
KK7DS 18.142 1920Z SOTA W7/CN-008
ZV1M 18.077 1848Z via PY1MT (L)

15m
A45RR 21.021 1537Z via EA7FTR
K4ADV 21.061 1604Z SOTA W4/HB-021
PJ5/SP6IXF 21.295 1124Z NA-145, via homecall (B)
PP5/LU9ESD 21.280 1511Z SA-026
TR8CA 21.042 1705Z via F6CBC (d)
VU2CDP/F1 21.009 1505Z (B), (L)
W4EON 21.330 1707Z SOTA W4/HB-040
3XY1D 21.040 1707Z via DL7DF (B)
4X5A 21.004 1003Z via 4Z5LA (B), (L)

12m
6V7Q 24.964 1427Z via F8IJV (B)

10m
EG8FBN 28.026 1441Z via EA8NQ (B), OQRS
EX8MLE 28.006 0935Z (d)
JT1RF 28.009 0925Z via VE7YBH
PJ2/W1ASB 28.450 1418Z SA-099, via homecall (B)
SV0XCC/9 28.021 0816Z EU-015
UK/JA0VSH 28.044 0633Z
UN7PL 28.024 0642Z (B)
ZD7FT 28.480 1002Z (direct: QRZ.com)
ZP6CW 28.024 1700Z ZP6CU (d), (L), eQSL
3XY1D 28.040 1618Z via DL7DF (B)
4X5A 28.028 0843Z via 4Z5LA (B), (L)
7Z1HL 28.058 1402Z via DJ9ZB (B)

(d) Only direct
(B) Bureau ok
(L) LoTW
(r) Bureau QSL via e-mail request

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

26Oct-09Nov 3D2A.. 1750
-Dec 3Y8XSA 1700/1717
-03Nov 4X/N6HD 1751
-Apr/12 5Z4RH ? 1674
22Oct-11Nov 6V7Q 1750
Nov 7U1MA 1752 *
31Oct-13Nov 7Q7GM 1751/1752 *
-23Nov 7Q7HB 1717/1743
-Mar/12 8J1ING 1751
-30Nov 8J1MORSE.. 1731
01Nov-20Nov 8J1SIT5O 1751
-Sep/12 8J2NDP.. 1751
-06Nov 8J6BAL 1751
07Nov-21Nov 8P9DL.. 1752 *
02Nov-12Nov 8Q7CC 1752 *
31Oct-13Nov 8Q7EJ 1751
28Oct-03Nov 8Q7SO 1751
-31Dec 9A11P 1723
-21Nov 9A20V 1743
-2012 9J2RI 1739/1742
NOW 9M2/KM9D 1731
LONG TERM 9N1FE 1740
SOON 9Q1EK 1669
-Nov 9Q6CC 1699
-Oct/14 9V1RM 1751

-? A35CT 1741
03Nov-13Nov A52DL.. 1752 *
-Sep/13 A52SV 1752 *
02Nov-05Nov AH0/AB2RF 1752 *
-31Dec BP100 1684
-31Dec BV100 1684
03Nov-11Nov CE0Y/LA5UF 1752 *
-Mar/12 CE9VPM 1752 *
26Oct-04Nov CN2HL 1751
-31Dec CW5RV 1711
05Oct-31Dec CY0/VE1AWW 1748
-Jul/12 D2QV 1750
-Apr/12? D2SG 1748
17Oct-07Nov E51NOU (S.C.) 1749
08Nov-22Nov E51NOU (N.C.) 1752 *
UNKNOWN E51NNV 1752 *
20Oct-03Nov EA6/AA5UK 1750
01Nov-08Nov EA6/HA5RT.. 1751

06Nov-25Nov FG/DK9PY 1752 *
-Mar/13 FH8NX 1747
-Jul/12 FR8NE 1710

-31Dec GB40HMSB 1748
-31Dec HB60LU 1711
-06Nov HF36POL 1746
-31Dec HG15IPA 1724
01Jan-31Dec HG200LST 1708
13Nov HG5BNV 1751
Sep -2013 HI3/KL7JR 1745
-16Nov HK3JCL 1743
NOW HL2/KC6STQ 1746
22Oct-05Nov HR9/AI5P 1750
01Jan-31Dec IA7MM 1708
01Jan-31Dec II1ITA.. 1708
-31Dec II4LXV 1742
30Oct-30Nov IR3MD 1751

-2012 J28FJ 1739
-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul/12 J28RO 1683
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
23Oct-03Nov J45PO.. 1750
26Oct-02Nov J48OV.. 1751
05Nov-19Nov K4E 1752 *
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
-May/12 KH4/W5FJG 1728
POSTPONED KH5 1674/1705/1741
-31Dec LA200D 1713
-31Dec LM9L40Y 1748
-31Dec LZ85R 1721
-Mar/12 OA/OE3NHW 1749
LONG TERM P29FM 1752 *
-Mar/12 P29FR 1742
01Jan-31Dec PA30.. 1708
07Oct-03Nov PG540BUFFALO.. 1748
27Oct-09Nov PJ4J 1751
19Oct-04Nov PJ5/SP6EQZ.. 1750
29Oct-11Nov PJ7/K4UWH.. 1751
26Oct-09Nov PJ7J.. 1751
26Oct-09Nov PJ7X.. 1750

-30Nov R300ML 1743
-Dec RI1ANC 1708
-Sep/12 RI1FJA 1741
-Sep/12 RI1FJM 1741
-30Nov S550ACP 1745
02Nov-04Nov SN1LH 1752 *
NOW ST2AR 1745
-30Nov SU/HA3JB 1743
-Nov T5/TA1AMC 1745
-Apr/12 T6BP 1746
-Nov T6FR 1742
-Jun/12 T6MO 1733

-Nov T6SH 1734
29Oct-02Nov T8AA.. 1751
26Oct-03Nov TL0CW 1751
04Nov-06Nov TM44RT 1752 *
23Oct-23Dec TT8PK 1670/1723/1752 *
27Oct-Nov TU2T 1751

26Oct-04Nov V31MH.. 1699/1751
10Oct-05Nov V47JA.. 1748
UNKNOWN V63JB 1752 *
-Nov/14 V73NS 1604/1668/1752 *
01Nov-09Nov VE2/JA8BMK.. 1751
Nov VK100ARV 1752 *
19Oct-09Nov VK9CX 1750
05Nov-07Nov VK9CM 1752 *
04+08-11Nov VK9XM 1752 *
-Dec/11 VK0BFG 1741
-Mar/12 VK0KEV (Macq) 1700/1701
NOW VK0TH (Macq) 1748
03Nov-07Nov VK7ZX 1751
28Oct-31Dec VP9/N1SV 1751
02Nov-16Nov VP9KF 1724/1752 *
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
-14Nov XF1/K5ENS 1739
07Nov-12Nov XF1C 1752 *
NOW XT2RJA 1712
01Nov-12Dec XV2RZ 1751
08Nov-22Nov ZD8F.. 1752 *
21Oct-02Nov ZF2OE 1750
15Oct-29Dec ZK2V.. 1749
19Aug-31Oct ZL4RUGBY 1741
-31Dec ZL50GH 1711
-2012 ZS7KX 1740/1749

* new or updated
.. and other calls

QSL information

A35CT via KI0SO
A52DL via LA9DL (B)
A52SV via JA2PSV (L)
A52VM via LA6VM (B)
AH0/AB2RF via JJ2RCJ (B), (L)
CE0Y/LA5UF via LA5UF (B)
CE9VPM via (B)
CN2R via W7EJ (d)
CN8QN via EA7FTR
D2QV via UT0EA (B), (L)
E51NNV via W6NV
E51NOU via N7OU (B)

E51Z via K6VNX (B)
EG5VOR via EA5KB (B)
EI8GQB via ON4EI (B)
EK6LP via RN4LP (B)
EK6YL via SP9LJD (d)
ER4A via RA4LW (B)
FG/DK9PY via DK9PY (B)
FK8DD via LZ1JZ (B)
FK8GX via W3HNK (d)
FY5LH via F5KDR (B)
HB0/DF5MA via DF5MA (B), (L), eQSL
HC1HC via NE8Z (B)
HG5BNV via HA5KHC (B)
HI8AAX via EA5GL (d)
HO1X via DK2KT (B)
HP1/DJ2ST via DK2KT (B)
HZ1FI via DL2RMC (B)
IR3MD via IZ2GOT (B)
J48CM via YU7CM
J48OV via HA5OV (B)
JV1A via WV6E (L)
JV7A via WV6E (L)
K4E via KP4ES (d)
KH2KY via JA1OZK (B)
KH6TE via W7TAE (B)
KH7Y via EA5GL (*), (L), (d)
KL7/SP5EWX via SP5EWX (B), (L)
LA/DL3YDX via DL3YDX (B)
LA/DL7URH via DL7URH (B)
NP4Z/KP3Z via N4AO (d)
P29FM via SQ1K (B)
PJ5/SP6IXF via SP6IXF (B)
PW7T via PT7WA (B)
PX2V via PY2KJ (L), (d)
PX7C via PT7CG (B)
R1NA via DL5DSM (B)
R9FA via RA9FN (�ld call) (B, L)
RN300ML via RN1ON (B)
SN1LH via SP1PBW
T77NS via I4ZQS (B)
TC3EC via TA3GO (d)
TC88TC via TA1HZ (B)
TK4LS via EB7DX (d)
TM44RT via F5KBB (B)
TT8PK via F4EGS (B)
UA2KK via UA2FB (B)
V26OC via N3OC (B)
V63JB via KH6DLK
V73NS via W3HNK (d)

VI6XX via VK6HZ (B), (L), eQSL
VK100ARV via (B)
VK9CM via OH2YY (B)
VK9XM via OH2YY (B)
VP9I via N1HRA
VP9KF http://vp9kf.com/qsl.htm
YE1ZAW (d), see QRZ.com
XF1C via XE2HUQ (d)
XU7ACY via W2EN (B), (L)
XV2JP via XW2A (d)
XV2LU via JA7LU (B)
XV9DX via OM3JW (B)
ZA3WW via LZ2HM (B)
ZD8F via W6HGF (d), (L)
ZD8ZZ via K7ZZ (d), (L)
3B8FQ via K5XK (B)
4X5A via 4Z5LA (B), (L), eQSL
5R8A via JH8JWF
6O1Z via DJ9ZB (B), (L)
7Q7HB via G0IAS (d)
7U1MA via (B)
8P9DL via DL8YHR (B)
8P9HP via DL2NUD (B)
8P9MS via DL9MS (B)
8Q7CC via I0WDX (d)

(d) Only direct
(B) Bureau ok
(*) New QSL manager
(L) Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) E-mail request

QSLs arrived bureau: A52BI (K5ZOL), A52SL (W5SL), C5A & C50C (OM2FY),
CO6WD (W0SA), FG/F6AUS, FS/F6AUS, J73CCM (SM0CCM),
JV1A (WV6E), KL5DX (N5XZ), NP4FW, OH0Z (W0MM),
PJ2/K2NV, PJ5/K1XM (KQ1F), PJ6A (N4NX), V31GT (OE3GEA),
V31SJ (W5JAY), V31UQ (W5JAY), V5/DJ2BQ, VP2MDG (K2DM),
WP4U, YJ0HA (HA5UK), YW200T (YV5JBI), ZF2NN (WQ2N),
3W1M (OM3JW), 5R8IC (F6ICX), 6W1RY (F5VHJ),
7P8MM (W0MM), 8P9FW (W2XYZ), 9Q0AR/6 (ON6NL),
9U1KI (DH2KI)

CW OPERATOR WANTED

The upcoming DXpedition to French Guyana is desperately looking for another
CW operator. The DXpedition starts in Paris on Dec 26, includes a stay on
Royale Island (SA-020) and ends on Jan 7, 2012. For practical reasons
candidates with some French knowledge are preferred. A valid yellow fever
vaccination is required. The cost is approximately 1.200 Euro.
If you are interested please send an e-mail to f5oqk@orange.fr or to

Jean Paul JOLLY, 6 Chemin des Chaignees, F-85200 Fontenay Le Comte, France.

Many thanks for contributing to this issue of the DXNL are going to:
Carl Smith (QRZ DX), 425DXNews, OPDX Bulletin, DF6EX (WIN-QSL), DJ5AV,
DJ9ZB, DL1MDV, DL1SBF, DL2BQV, DL6KVA, DL7MAE, DL7VOA, DL9RCF, DO3ME,
HB9FDJ/DL8WPX, F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX, NG3K and others.

The German PDF version can be found on the DARC homepage at:
http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxmb/2011

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http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxnl

1041. Crossposting Permitted to rec.radio.amateur.moderated

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-01 06:00:03 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting-1-1320127201@panix.com>
Source record: 4081
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting
Revision: 1.1 2009/04/12 19:42:04
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rram/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

After a 30-day public discussion and feedback period to gauge reader
opinions in March of 2009:

http://groups.google.com/group/rec.radio.amateur.moderated/browse_thread/thread/d7d337db35
f23326

the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team has decided to consider
amending its charter, and permit limited simultaneous crossposting to
rec.radio.amateur.moderated and one other unmoderated
amateur-radio-related discussion newsgroup. We are currently trying
this on a temporary basis (90 days, through early July 2009), and adopt
it permanently if successful.

Approved rec.radio.amateur.* newsgroups are those that are currently
listed in the latest version of the "List of Big Eight Newsgroups" which
is crossposted monthly to news.announce.newgroups, news.groups, and
news.lists.misc.

Approved alt.radio.amateur.* and alt.ham-radio.* newsgroups are those
that have been created consistent with the suggestions in "So You Want
to Create an Alt Newsgroup" at:

http://www.faqs.org/faqs/alt-creation-guide/

Approved regional hierarchy newsgroups are those that contain either
"radio.amateur" or "ham-radio" in their names, including
uk.radio.amateur and aus.radio.amateur.misc.

We will make every reasonable effort to keep our list of approved
newsgroups up-to-date. In case we have overlooked any, and a submission
is rejected in error as a result, the rejected submitter can E-mail us
at our administrative contact address (in the signature at the bottom of
this article, and the default Reply-To for the rejection message)
requesting that it be added, and that the article be approved. We may
still choose to reject articles crossposted to any alt.* newsgroup with
an inappropriate name, including obscene language, embedded
name-calling, or encouragement of unlawful conduct.
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Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-amateur-moderated-request@panix.com.

1042. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 24 - 30 October 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-01 21:30:08 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20111101213001.CC46533C8E@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4082
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.info

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:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2011 Nov 01 2020 UTC
# Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
# http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
#
# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
24 - 30 October 2011

Solar activity has been at very low to low levels. Very low levels
were observed on 24 October while low levels dominated the remainder
of the summary period. Despite the large size and magnetic
complexity (Beta-Gamma) of Region 1330 (N08, L=249, class/area,
Eko/560 on 24 October), the region only managed three low level
C-flares on 25 and 30 October. Region 1324 (N11, L=305, class/area,
Ekc/360 on 20 October) was the largest producer of low level C-class
activity with a total of five flares; the largest of the period, a
C3 that occurred at 29/1452 UTC. Four relatively slow-moving CMEs
were observed in association with disappearing solar filaments
beginning at 22/0058 UTC, 26/0800 UTC, and 28/0218 UTC, and finally
28/1652 UTC, observed in SOHO/LASCO imagery. The first event became
geoeffective late on 24 October while a glancing blow from the
second event arrived early on the 30 October, and third CME is not
expected to be geoeffective. The final CME is expected to arrive
sometime on 31 October.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
normal levels the entire period.

The geomagnetic field ranged from quiet to severe storm levels. The
period began with solar wind speeds, as measured by the ACE
Spacecraft, steady near 300 km/s with the total interplanetary
magnetic field (IMF Bt) around 6 nT. The geomagnetic field was quiet
during these periods. By late on 24 October, an interplanetary shock
was observed in ACE data at 24/1748 UTC in association with the CME
from 22/0058 UTC. A Sudden Impulse (SI) was observed at the Boulder
magnetometer of 13 nT at 24/1832 UTC. Solar wind velocities
increased from a steady 350 km/s to about 525 km/s. The IMF Bt
increased to above 20 nT from about 24/2000 UTC through 25/1300 UTC
and gradually decreased to about 8 nT by late on 25 October. The Bz
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component of the IMF reached southward values of -20 nT from about 24/2000 UTC through 25/0000 UTC. The geomagnetic field from 24/1800 UTC - 25/1200 UTC responded with active to major storm periods with an isolated severe storm period observed from 24/2100-2400 UTC. By 26 October, solar wind speed declined to around 400 km/s with the IMF Bt around 7 nT. Solar wind speed continued to decline to approximately 300 km/s by the end of the period. The geomagnetic field was mostly quiet the rest of the period.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
02 November - 28 November 2011

Solar activity is expected to be at predominately low to moderate levels from 02 November - 15 November as Regions 1338 (S12, L=119, class/area Dao/120 on 01 November) and 1339 (N22, L=117, class/area Dao/180 on 01 November) rotate further onto the visible solar disk. A return to mostly low levels is expected for the remainder of the period.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at normal to moderate levels throughout the period.

The geomagnetic field is expected to be generally unsettled on 02 November as the effects of a CME wane. Predominantly quiet conditions are expected from 03-04 November. An increase to unsettled to active conditions is expected from 05-07 November as the combined effects of a coronal hole high speed stream (CH HSS) and another CME are expected. A return to quiet levels is expected from 08-10 November. Another small increase to unsettled conditions is expected from 11-13 November, as another CH HSS becomes geoeffective. A return to predominantly quiet levels is expected from 14 - 25 November. Quiet to unsettled levels are expected for the remainder of the period, as another CH HSS becomes geoeffective.

1043. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2011-035E - New Section Manager for BC/Yukon

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-02 05:19:51 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4EB0D26C.1040309@rac.ca>
Source record: 4083
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2011-035E - New Section Manager for BC/Yukon
2011-11-01

It is indeed a pleasure for me to announce the appointment of Paul Giffin VA7MPG Section Manager for British Columbia/Yukon effective today. Paul has been licensed since 1993 and has been active in emergency communications for the past 47years, over 40 of them as an operational member of the RCMP. He is currently Emergency Coordinator for the City of Nanaimo and the southern portion of the Regional District of Nanaimo. He is also President of Coast Emergency Communications Group and the mid island Assistant Regional Emergency Radio Representative for the BC Provincial Emergency Program. Paul resides in Gabriola Island, British Columbia. Welcome aboard Paul.

In making this announcement, I would like to sincerely thank outgoing Section Manager Drew Watson VA7DR who completed his two year term yesterday. His service to the RAC and the BC/YT Section is very much appreciated.

Paul is eager to receive news from your area along with any ideas or suggestions that you may have. He is also in the process establishing a BC/YT Section Bulletin service so why not drop him an e-mail to be sure that you are included. You can e-mail him at guppy1@shaw.ca or give him a call at 250-247-7965.

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1044. Iowa Section Convention - Davenport - This Sunday, November 6th

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The ARRL Iowa Section Convention is this Sunday, November 6th and will be part of the 40th Annual Davenport Hamfest, sponsored by the Davenport Radio Amateur Club. The hamfest and convention will be held in the Clarion Hotel, 5202 North Brady Street in Davenport. (I-80 exit 294), phone 563-391-1230. Ask if the convention's group room rate is still available.

ARRL Senior Lab Engineer, Zack Lau, W1VT, is our special guest. When making arrangements for Zack to come visit, he said he would like to enjoy dinner with the area hams. We will be dining Saturday, November 5th at 7:00pm at the Iowa Machine Shed, 7250 Northwest Boulevard in Davenport, just off I-80 exit 292. Reservations are required; please contact Tom Brehmer, N0LOH, at n0loh@arrl.org. You will be responsible for paying for your meal, drinks and tips. I hope you can join us for the dinner with Zack Saturday evening.

Here’s the seminar schedule for Sunday, November 6th:

7:00am - Room open for use. (Donuts and coffee!)

8:00am -- “State of the Iowa Section” with Tom Brehmer, N0LOH

8:30am - "How to Build a 2M Beam" with Zack Lau, W1VT

9:30am - “VHF/UHF Spectrum Defense & Band Planning” with Rod Blocksome, K0DAS

10:00am - “ARES & RACES, There is a difference!” with Dan Miller, AC0OF

11:00am - “Digital QST and New ARRL Forums” with Cliff Ahrens, K0CA

11:30am - “SKYWARN” with John Haase, National Weather Service

12:30pm - "ARRL Q & A" with K0CA, K0DAS and N0LOH

1:00pm - "How to Build a 2M Beam" with Zack Lau, W1VT

For more information about the hamfest visit: http://www.arcsupport.com/drac/hamfest.html

Rod, Tom, and I are looking forward to seeing you in Davenport this weekend!

73, Cliff K0CA

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1045. WIANEWS for WEEK COMMENCING NOVEMBER 06 2011

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WIANEWS - NOV 06 - VK NATIONAL NEWS

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WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING NOVEMBER 06 2011.

WHATS IN NOVEMBER AR MAGAZINE.

JOB VACANCY, RADIO BROADCAST ENGINEER WANTED.

7 NEW VHF-UHF DISTANCE RECORDS ACHIEVED.

THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING NOVEMBER 6 2011.

Here are details of seven new VHF-UHF distance records:

First ever records for the 134 GHz and 243 GHz bands

Michael VK3KH and Alan VK3XPD have set the first Australian distance records
for these bands - 25 metres (21 October 2011).

Alan and Russell VK3ZQB then extended these records to 50 metres
(23 October 2012).

First ever record on 324 GHz

Michael VK3KH and Alan VK3XPD have set the first Australian distance record
for this band - 25 metres (21 October 2011).

(Frequencies above 250 GHz are not assigned to any service by ACMA, so technically there is no 324 GHz band. However amateurs may operate on these frequencies because they are not assigned to any other service).

First records in the new Digital EME record category

On 2 metres, the first Digital EME record is from VK9NA to EA2AGZ 18306.4 km (12 January 2011).

On 1296 MHz, the inaugural record claim is from Mark Swannack VK2AMS and David Scott, VK2JDS - 325.3 km (1 October 2011).

For full details of all past and present VHF-UHF records are available for viewing or download on wia.org.au

(John VK3KM)

In 1928, James Warner joined Australian aviators Charles Kingsford Smith and Charles Ulm for the first trans-Pacific flight.

It was a 'first' for the fledgling aviation industry in other ways as well, most notably the introduction of radio communication on a long distance flight.

A remarkable archive of aero and aviation memorabilia from the private collection of James Warner - arguably one of the most important collections in the history of aviation - will be offered for sale by Leski Auctions.

It is a remarkable tribute to radio and its place in the history and development of aviation.

Items for auction from the James Warner Archive include:

•A magnificent 4oz gold commemorative medal from gold provided by William Randolph Hearst and presented by the Mayor of Oakland, still in its original presentation case.

[The medal presented to Lyon is believed to have been melted-down during the Depression].

•The original letter signed by Charles Kingsford Smith and Charles Ulm and dated 18th June, 1928 in which they write, 'As requested by Mr. Warner, we have pleasure in informing you that we, the undersigned..... are not in any way entitled to receive the whole or any portion of any gifts made to you by the Government or individuals of the United States of America.

•A cigarette case, engraved 'Southern Cross', Lieutenant James Warner and dated June 11th, 1928, which was presented to Warner by the Radio Trade of Australia.

The flight of the Southern Cross marked the first successful use of radio on a long distance flight. Returning to California, Warner and Lyon each was given the 4 oz gold commemorative medal along with $10,000 from the citizens of Oakland and William Randolph Hearst.

About 1930 Warner went to Los Angeles where he opened a radio shop. He also experimented with building an electronic organ and was hired by Hearst to

install a sound system at San Simeon in Northern California

The lots will be offered for sale by Leski Auctions in Melbourne Wednesday, November 16th.

First award issued and plenty of VK100ARV activity

The new limited edition Amateur Radio Victoria Centenary Award has been David Park VK3JDA, who gained it before the special callsign VK100ARV took to air.

Already hundreds of QSO have been made. First up was the Scout Radio and Electronics Unit heard on SSTV and HF. Who can forget televising of it through the VK3RTV digital repeater.

The Western and Northern Suburbs Amateur Radio Group is having a fine time during its five days which end on Wednesday.

Continue to be in the action are Keith Proctor VK3FT, Luke Steele VK3HJ, Terry Murphy VK3UP and Tony Hambling VK3VTH.

Several of these operator and others will operated portable during November the 18th until the 20th from a National Park under the Keith Roget Memorial National Parks Award.

More on next week's broadcast or check out www.amateurradio.com.au

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

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Another further look at Amateur Radio magazine for November

The Geelong Amateur Radio Club set-up at Point Lonsdale to be part of the 60-odd Australians stations to join the International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend.

Some one dozen GARC members took part. More reports on this annual fun event appeared last month.

The Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society has officially opened its training and operations 'shack', a full report can be read in this month's WIA journal.

In the Spotlight on SWLing column by Robin Harwood VK7RH reports that Propagation has improved and one never knows from day to day what will pop up.

The theme of improvement is the DX News and Views column by John Bazley VK4OQ who discusses the solar flux hitting 190 for the first time since 2002, that 10-metres should be good for this month's contest.

PSK31 QRP is fun according to Grant McDuling VK4JAZ - he tells how to be involved.

A story of marriage and amateur radio makes an interesting read by Rananda Rich VK2FRAR supported by Alex Taverner VK2RZ.

All part of a WIA membership service and Amateur Radio magazine is also at selected newsagents.

I'm Barry Robinson VK3PV and you're listening to VK1WIA.

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/
Police Roundup http://www.vicpolicenews.com.au/

Great Success at Ballarat Hamvention.

A great day was had by all at the recent Hamvention at Ballarat. Once again the wonderful facilities of the Greyhound Racing Track were used .

A record 74 tables of new and used Goodies tempted the wallets of the large crowd attending. Even Mother Nature turned on the best day possible.

Lots of door prizes were drawn during the day with one still unclaimed. If you have ticket number 162 it could be worth your time to contact Bob, VK3NBV on 03 5336 0998.

If you missed those numbers you can look up the text version of this broadcast on the WIA website.

Once again, this has been a wonderful Victorian Hamvention.

Barg appreciates the support given by all the Commercial Businesses that attend on the day. Also Mr Average Amateur, without you arriving, there would not be a Hamvention at all.

The Ballarat Amateur Radio Group will be running a 40 metre HF Field Day on Sunday November 13 between the hours of 10.30am and 3.30pm. Please look around the band and give the club members a call, the frequencies in use will be between 7050 and 7100 Khz. Club members will be operating portable from locations of their choice.

That's it for now, This has been Bob, VK3NBV for the Ballarat Amateur Radio Group.

VK4 - QNEWS
Send your stories for news. SCRIPT to qnews@wia.org.au
send audio to http://www.wia.org.au/members/broadcast/upload/

get local audio news www.wiaq.com/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
get local news emailed qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

Welcome to QNews from VK4WIA. I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP, and I've been thinking.

Recently I have been taking time to catch up on current trends in amateur radio. The software defined radio is a logical evolution in electronics. More and more computing power is being focussed in dedicated ic's for the commercial and military markets. For the hobbyist, the implementation can be

with simple hardware and free software on the shack PC.

Whilst relaxing in front of the TV, the mind started on a train of imagination as a result of a segment on "intelligent" prostheses. As the demands of war injuries has spurred research, new artificial limbs with functions controlled by body nerve pulses are achieving remarkable results for the users. Even during the 8bit computer era, speech recognition was a topic of great interest. The reported developments in military avionics with speech recognition puts some awesome capacity before the multitasking combat pilot.

The studies into artificial intelligence, spurred by the robotics enthusiasts, are producing interesting algorithms for the development of independently operational machines.

And so what does this have to do with amateur radio? It seems that innovation stirs the mind of many amateurs and all these streams of development could make the ultimate contest station. Imagine keying CW with thoughts alone! Telling the rig what band and mode to operate would make it the greatest "look Mum - no hands" experience.

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think.....how about you?

CLUBBING - TO SUPPLY AUDIO NEWS ITEMS:-
email qnews@wia.org.au

CENTRAL QUEENSLAND AR CLUB
Rockhampton
cqar.com.au

The CQARA first Annual weekend away at Cool Waters Holiday Village on the Capricorn Coast was a complete success.

Many thanks go out to all those who were involved in organising the festivities for the weekend.

Thanks to Jason - VK4FJGS three fox hunts were held on the Saturday and were thoroughly enjoyed by both the participants and the spectators. A trophy was presented to Graham - VK4NFZ who had the most points after 3 hunts and is currently leading the CQARA Fox Hunts for 2011 in points.

A bag auction was held on the Saturday night which was very successful in raising funds for the CQARA and providing enjoyment for all involved. Many laughs were had by all and the weekend concluded on the Sunday with everyone heading for home completely exhausted.

I'm Adam, VK4MTJ on behalf of the Central Queensland Amateur Radio Association Inc.

Ipswich & District Radio Club
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This is Allan VK4FABR with an update from the Ipswich and District Radio Club.

Derek VK4MIA has resigned from the position of President of the Ipswich & District Radio Club effective October 25, 2011. This also means Derek is no longer Contest Manager for the Jack Files Memorial Contest.

All emails, websites etc are now controlled by the club Secretary, Darrin VK4FVRX, who now has access to the incoming logs for the contest.

The Contest Manager VK4WIP - The Ipswich & District Radio Club and the email address for all log submissions remains the same but will be honoured and handled by the Secretary and Committee of the Ipswich & District Radio Club.

Paul VK4FPDW has also stepped down from the position of club Vice President.

Members should check the club website - vk4wip.com - for the date and time of the next business meeting.

TABLELANDS RADIO AND ELECTRONICS CLUB
vk4wat@wia.org.au
www.treclub.org.au

G'day again from the Atherton Tablelands this is Dale VK4DMC for the Tablelands Radio and Electronics Club, TREC, in Far North Queensland.

TREC took part in the CQ World-wide SSB contest last weekend as a club entry. Four members were involved, Jeff - VK4BOF, John - VK4TL, Stuart - VK4SDD and Dale - VK4DMC. Members operated from their respective home QTH and the individual scores were tallied together and submitted as a club score to the CQWW organisers.

The total claimed TREC score was 575,282 points.

The contest went for 48 hours so copious quantities coffee and other refreshments were the order of the day.

Individual scores were as follows:
Jeff 131,066 points (20, 15 & 10M)
John 32,370 points (15)
Stuart 158,046 points (20, 15 & 10M)
Dale 253,800 points (80, 40, 20, 15 & 10M).

This was the first time that TREC had taken part as a club in the CQWW contest and it is hoped that next year more members will become involved and boost the club score. It was simply amazing to see the bands spring into life at 0001 UTC with many rare countries being activated.

Well that's your lot for this week.

Once again don't forget to visit the TREC website, www.treclub.org.au for club information and you can also download the latest monthly club news in TREC-NEWS. Past issues are also available on the site.

This has been Dale VK4DMC and you are listening to QNEWS. Travel Well!

TARC AGM happening soon - catering numbers needed!

The 2011 Annual General Meeting of theTARCinc happens Sunday November 20th from 7am at Area 2 - Rossiter Park Aitkenvale.

The AGM will start off with a scrumptious Breakfast followed by the meeting and attendance numbers are needed for catering purposes.

Relay your AGM numbers as soon as possible to Don VK4FNQA on telephone 47554510 or via Radio.

Deadline is November 15th Social Meeting.

VK7
vk7 local news, email vk7regionalnews-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/vk7regionalnews/

Mt Nelson Signal Station Bicentenary

Christian Bell who is one of the organisers for the Bicentennial celebrations of the Mt Nelson Signal Station which is happening on 30 November.

Christian is looking for amateur radio operators who would be prepared to operate a station from Mt Nelson and possibly include CW, voice and digital operation.

What Christian is looking to set up are various forms of communication used at the Station over the last 200 years. They would appreciate it if some Radio Amateurs could assist Coast Radio Hobart to set up some transmitters both (VHF and HF) to demonstrate on the day.

Having some amateur operators who would like to demonstrate Morse code via radio would be good. If you are interested in helping out then please contact Justin VK7TW@wia.org.au who can pass on Christian's contact details.

ABC drive time Local Radio program will be broadcasting live from the Signal Station in the afternoon of the event.

This is the 200th anniversary of the date that Governor Macquarie selected the site for the Signal Station upon inspection.

DISCUSSION POINT

What use is an f-call?

An article in the local paper caught my eye. It described a scenario where a local amateur with a 15m antenna mast was in the process of dealing with a local council who apparently changed their mind about the rules which govern the installation of the mast. There were quotes from neighbours who didn't like the eye-sore and it looks like this might be a challenge.

While I'm not a neighbour of this amateur, I did wonder if their community was aware of the wider community role that amateurs have to play in all manner of situations. I thought about the Boxing Day Tsunami, Hurricane Katrina and the Japanese Earthquake and subsequent Tsunami. In each of these disasters critical infrastructure such as power and communications was wiped out in the affected areas. In each of these areas local radio amateurs provided critical assistance for search and rescue and other life extending situations.

I wondered if the local community where this amateur lives was aware that amateurs can, have and will provide these critical services in case modern infrastructure ceases operation and I wondered if we as amateurs pro-actively go outside and talk to other members of the community and share some of this knowledge and information.

If we ignore these pushes for removal of so called eye-sores, there will come a time where the local amateur radio enthusiast is unable to assist their community because they simply have no infrastructure left to operate their station. One day the question will come: "Where are all the amateurs?"

As a foundation class licensee you have access to a whole raft of information, skills and if you have your kit, hardware, to communicate this to your local community. As a group, we amateurs have skills that might seem outdated, obsolete and out of touch with the Internet connected world today as seen from the perspective of an uninformed public. The reality is that this community of amateurs can and will step in to assist that community if and when the need arises.

In case you're wondering how what you do on air relates to any of what I'm talking about, making contacts, exchanging information, dealing with changing conditions, setting up your station, and doing the things you do as an amateur radio enthusiast, are immediately relevant to emergency communications. You may not be aware of it, but you are uniquely qualified to assist where communications are essential. Just because the mobile phone network works today, doesn't mean that it will continue to work across all situations.

I regularly take my kit on the road to setup my station, in fact, my station is designed to be portable for exactly this reason. Each time I setup my station I learn a little more about things to consider, spares to have on hand, cables I should remember to pack, etc. If you have the ability, I highly recommend that you take your station outside and set it up with limited infrastructure. I'm sure you'll learn something which will be of use at some time in the future.

I'm Onno, vk6flab

EDUCATION YOUTH AND ADVANCEMENT OF AMATEUR RADIO
www.hamcollege.com.au

In Canberra and want to 'ham it up?"

C.R.A.R.C. run regular Foundation Licence courses and upgrade assessments every two months at Mt Mugga Scout Hall.

Next Foundation course is scheduled for the 19th / 20th November which is already close to capacity and which will be the last course for the year.

It is still possible to complete individual Upgrade Assessments with prior arrangement if you are unable to attend these scheduled times.

If you know anyone that might be interested in becoming a ham, twist their arm to contact:

education@crarc.ampr.org

EZARC will be conducting Foundation training on Saturday 3 December, followed by Assessments for all licence levels on Sunday 4 December at Churchill.

Bookings essential.

Applications close 18 November.

Enquiries & bookings to Peter VK3PF vk3pf@wia.org.au

Lisa, PA2LS, appointed IARU Region 1 Youth Co-ordinator

The International Amateur Radio Union Region 1 Executive Committee have appointed Lisa Leenders, PA2LS, as the Youth Co-ordinator

Following the creation of a Youth Co-ordinator portfolio during the Region 1 General Conference at Sun City in August, the Region called for nominations for a Region 1 Youth Co-ordinator.

Three nominations were received, namely Mari Nikkilae, OH2FPK, Lisa Leenders, PA2LS and Georgi Atanasov Vodenicharov, LZ1ZF.

During the teleconference of the Region 1 Executive Committee held on 10 October 2011, it was decided to appoint Lisa Leenders, PA2LS, as the Region 1 Youth Co-ordinator.

Lisa will be working with the Youth Co-ordinators from the various member societies to promote amateur radio amongst the youth in Region 1.

21 year-old Lisa PA2LS first got her amateur radio novice license at the age of 13 and was issued with the call sign PD2LLS.

She recently went on a DXpedition to Ghana
http://www.pe1kl-pa2ls.com/

Lisa's contact details will be made available under the Youth section of the Region 1 web site
http://www.iaru-r1.org/

The Rotuma High School Amateur Radio Station, 3D2RI, was heard active again this past week on 20/15 meters SSB.

Their QSL Manager Stan, KH6CG, reports on QRZ.com (under 3D2RI):

Dennis, who is 16 years old, reports that his operating group will be active on Tuesdays and Thursdays. His operating buddy will be a YL named Maggie.

Joshua, who is 15 years old, will be active with his operating group on Wednesdays and Fridays. His operating partner will be a YL named Lesina.

The school may allow operations on the weekends as well. Look for 3D2RI starting around 0400z ON 15m SSB, on or near 21255 kHz until propagation fades, then they will QSY to 20m SSB on 14253 kHz (+/- QRM) until around 0600z when it is time for the students to head home.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART and the WW sources of the WIA.

BBC TV licence fee may extend to iPlayer

The UK television licence fee could be extended to cover catch-up services such as the BBC iPlayer as part of an overhaul of the levy being considered by the Department for Culture, Media and Sport.

British viewers must pay for a £145.50 television licence if they watch or record programmes as they are broadcast, whether viewed via a television, computer, mobile phone or video games console.

However, computer catch-up services such as the BBC iPlayer - via which 153m television and radio programmes were broadcast in September - do not require a licence.

The issue is likely to intensify over the next year, as a rash of new internet-enabled set-top boxes, including the BBC-backed YouView, are expected to launch.

99-year-old Ham Radio operator still tuned in

The Mat-Su Valley Frontiersman carries a report about radio amateur Arlene Clay who's still on the air at the age of 99.

After 67 years living along the Kuskokwim River, in Alaska she moved in January to the Primrose Retirement Community in Wasilla.

She said the reason she chose Primrose was because they let her bring her amateur radio station.

Read her story with a selection of pictures at

http://www.frontiersman.com/articles/2011/10/30/local_news/doc4eacec3a63a91950785002.txt

The Federal Communications Commission has affirmed its rules for Broadband over Power Lines or Access BPL with only minor modifications that do little to protect the Amateur Radio service and other High Frequency users from severe to intolerable interference.

According to the Second Report and Order issued by the FCC, the rules it has created to govern Access BPL provide what it calls an appropriate balance between the dual objectives of providing for Access BPL technology that has potential applications for broadband and Smart Grid while protecting incumbent radio services against harmful interference.

Finally from me this week word that "Internationally Connected" will be the theme of the 2012 Dayton Hamvention. This according to General Chairman Michael Kalter, W8CI, who says that this premise emphasizes how amateur radio continues to build connections among amateur radio operators from all over the world.

W8CI, who is returning for another year as general chairman, noted that many international attendees return each year to meet other hams that they have talked to on the radio. He says that in 2012 the Hamvention is acknowledging

the important role that ham radio plays in promoting this very special international goodwill

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2011

Nov 26-27 WIA Spring VHF-UHF Field Day

2012

January VK Ross Hull Memorial VHF UHF Contest

March 17-18 VK JOHN MOYLE MEMORIAL FIELD DAY

June Long Weekend (vk4 time) VK Shires Contest.

July First full weekend NZART Memorial Contest

NZART Straight Key Night

Polish and lubricate that old Morse key and enjoy an evening of old time radio fun. This is an activity night in which everyone can be a winner with a certificate to prove it.

Today, First Sunday in November 2000-2200 NZST in two one-hour periods on 3.5 MHz only CW sent with STRAIGHT KEY i.e. characters formed manually, no system of automatic dots, dashes or spacing permitted.

Send logs by mail by 30 November to: Ken McCormack.

email zl1aih@xtra.co.nz

All (including DX stations) who send a log will receive a certificate.

Winners in each section receive a FISTS Down Under Prize comprising a certificate and one year's subscription to FISTS Down Under

RSGB Commonwealth Century Club Jubilee Award 2012

2012 is the Queen's Diamond Jubilee and mindful that the Queen is the head of the Commonwealth of Nations we are pleased to announce a new operating award for 2012.

To qualify for an attractive certificate all you need to do is to work as many different countries and call areas on the Commonwealth Century Club list during 2012.

Certificates will be awarded for working 60 and 100 different call areas.

Use any mode or bands you like and QSL cards are not required.

Score sheets and full details can be downloaded from www.beru.org.uk/CCCaward/CCCindex.html

G3PJT@btinternet.com

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

Nepal DXpedition

A multi-national team, all members of Mediterraneo DX Club (MDXC), will be
active as 9N0MD from Nepal during November on all HF bands and modes.
The team plans to give away trophies and prizes.

Look for more details and updates at:
www.mdxc.org/nepal/topic1/index.html

(SOUTHGATE)

Just a reminder for the prefix hunters that the station LM9L40Y
will be on the air until the end of December.
This call is operated by members of the LA9L radio club in Norway and is
to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the club.

Buddies in the Caribbean heading back to St. Lucia.

The 'Buddies in the Caribbean' DXpedition group which specializes in 100 watt
or less low-power amateur radios and the Buddipole portable antenna systems
will be back again to St. Lucia between December 4-12th.

They say that the north shore Villa location was magnificent on their first
visit in February 2010, and they want to demonstrate 'ultralite' DXpeditioning
into magnificent 'vista' locations, operating a field portable battery-only
radio with backpackable, lightweight antennas and most of all 'having fun'
with a new group of operators who have never experienced the "other side of a
pileup!

There will be 3 villa stations in operation on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB
and RTTY or PSK. At the same time, several teams will be battery-only,
field portable either from St. Lucia beaches or scenic mountain tops.

The group will participate in the ARRL 10m Contest (callsign: J68UN) between
December 10-11th.

For more details, see the following Web site at:
http://suitcasedxpeditions.com

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- DIGITAL
Australian Coordinator for TCPIP domains is Indy vk2xb@wia.org.au

Development of HAMCALC to cease

Long-standing software developer George Murphy, VE3ERP, has hung up his
keyboard and is retiring from further development on HAMCALC.

For those unfamiliar with the software, HAMCALC is a collection of useful
calculators for amateur radio use, widely used throughout the amateur
community.

The latest version of HAMCALC can be downloaded at
www.cq-amateur-radio.com

(RSGB)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

AMSAT-VK UNOFFICIAL HF Net.
2nd Sunday each month.
April through October 1000 UTC 3.685 MHz
November through March 0900 UTC 7.068 MHz

A follow-up on our story of the imminent return to Earth of a defunct German research satellite. According to news reports, the ROSAT de-orbited Sunday, October 23rd and crashed into the Bay of Bengal off the coast of India.

Most parts of the minivan sized research satellite were expected to burn up as they hit the atmosphere. However up to 30 fragments weighing a total of 1.87 tons could have crashed onto the planets surface.

Luckily that surface turned out to be a watery grave.

The team working on reactivating the ageing Prospero satellite would appreciate any recording that can be made of the 137.560 MHz downlink.

If you hear and record transmissions heard on that frequency, please send it by e-mail to rjad@mssl.ucl.ac.uk

More on Prospero is available at
tinyurl.com/prospero-comeback

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RESCUE RADIO
IARU REGION 3
Emergency Centre of Activity (CoA) frequencies
3.600, 7.110, 14.300, 18.160 and 21.360 MHz

Canberra Hams are all still recovering from the double whammy weekend of the NatCap rally & Fitz's challenge, but they have another event in 1 weeks time being the Light Car Club of Canberra (LCCC) "Shannon's Safari Rally" on Saturday 14th November.

This car rally is fairly compact in that they have just 4 stages with each run twice.

The stages are :

Murrays Corner
Mineshaft
Blue Range
Bluetts

HQ - Uriarra Village Hall ("new" Schoolhouse)

To fully support the event CRARC need 11 field stations and 5 people in HQ.

So, once again send an email to wicen@crarc.ampr.org if you can help out with this one, and what preferences and/or restrictions you may have regarding timeframes or equipment.

(Phil Longworth VK1PL \ Matt McNeil VK1MA)

SOCIAL SCENE

2011

Nov 20 VK5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society Hamfest
Goodwood Community Centre, Rosa St Goodwood at 0930.
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1046. ** MMMonVHF Newsletter / No.1 - WEEK 44/2011 **

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-03 09:59:08 UTC
From: MMMonVHF News Mailer <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <201111030949.pA39nRmO009423@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 4086
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our lastet NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2011-11-03
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter, once a week (thursday)
from now on - if any special activities will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further detail please be so kind and watch our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you vy welcome for any
input and we do hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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** PLEASE DO REGULAR UPDATE OF THE eMWS & eMWDXCC at MMMonVHF **

** MOST WANTED SQUARES & DXCCs at the VHF-DX-Portal of MMMonVHF **

Just in advance of the active meteorscatter time of the year (with
gd EME condx and the MS showers Leonids & Geminids) we would like
to remember that these services are only as good as YOU (as the
USER) are doing UPDATES at our different sources...

Please do yourself and all of us the favour and check and update
periodical the following links and tools:

eMWS (MOST WANTED SQUARES) >>> www.mmmonvhf.de/emws.php
MWDXCC (MOST WANTED DXCC) >>> www.mmmonvhf.de/dxcc.php

and if you hear or plan yourself a trip and/or any activity use:

INPUT of VHF-ACTIVITIES >>> www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php
INPUT of UPDATES to NEWS >>> www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuserup.php

Thanks in the name of all USER of MMMonVHF and the team which is
always trying to pass you as soon as possible the latest News...
SOURCE: The MMMonVHF Team

** EARTHQUAKE EMERGENCY **

Radio Amateurs in Turkey remain active in the response to the earth-
quake that struck Van province on 23 October. Assistance has been
given by TRAC in setting up VHF/UHF networks to relief agencies and

some traffic is being carried on the 144 MHz band. The need for HF operations is reducing, however there is still a overnment station which may operate on 7.092 MHz USB. Amateurs are still requested to be careful when operating between 7.092 and 7.095 MHz to avoid interference to ongoing relief operations.
SOURCE: [TNX IARU Region 1] via 425 DX News #1069

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: 8P9 ; Square: GK03 ; Start: 2011-11-07 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3785

A DL Team (consists of DL9MS & DL8YHR & DL2NUD) will be active holiday style from 8P9 (GK03) on HF and 6m as well 2m EME. LATEST NEWS by Jo, DL9MS, dated 2011-11-01: Joachim told that the progress is going on and the Team will take of from Frankfurt Airport on monday nov.7th within their time schedule. Hermann, DL2NUD will take also a 12el Yagi and 500W for 70cm with him...
SOURCE: tnx to Dith, DF7KF and Joachim, DL9MS, direct to MMMonVHF

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** Furanafushi Island (8Q7) qrv in November **

Cesare, I0WDX, will be active as 8Q7CC from Furanafushi Island (IOTA AS-013, WLOTA 3911), North Male Atoll, Maldives, between 2-12th November 2011. Plans are to be QRV on 20-6 metres, including the WARC bands, mainly SSB, using an Icom IC-7000 into a Cushcraft R6000 vertical antenna. QSL via his home callsign.
Source: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin and ICPO

** Tonga qrv HF and 50 MHz **

Sigi DL7DF and crew (9 experienced ops) plan activity from Tonga as A35YZ between March 7 ï¿½ 24, 2012. They will be active with several stations on 160m to 6m ï¿½ CW, SSB with one station exclusively dedicated to RTTY, PSK31 and SSTV. Dedicate Webpage http://www.dl7df.com/ SOURCE: dx-world.net / Sixitalia Weekly

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** Montserrat (NA-103), qrv HF and 50 MHz **

Gregor DF7OGO (VP2MGO), Tom K3WT (VP2MWT), Ron N0AT (VP2MTA), Vlad N0STL (VP2MTL) and Bill W0OR (VP2MOR) will be active from Montserrat (NA-103) between 18 November and 6 December. They will be signing VP2MWG (QSL via N0AT, direct, bureau and LoTW) during the CQWW DX CW and ARRL 160 Meter contests; before and after the contests they will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 160-6 metres.
SOURCE: [425ENG] 425 DX News #1069

** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php) to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 2359 UTC ...

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Our Newsletter is compiled from the input of the USER of the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF and as well by a lot of free usable HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USER who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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1047. SUPER HOT VIDEOS AND ALL ACTRESSES KISSING PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-03 11:12:30 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <ae85ce2b-2a56-43ce-bc7d-a65501d169eb@h23g2000pra.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4087

A TO Z INFORMATION SEE IN THIS SITE

http://atwoztopic.blogspot.com/

ALL HOT PHOTOS SUPER SEXY PHOTOS

http://alltoux.blogspot.com/2010/09/hot-lip-kiss-135.html

ALL JOBS SITES FREE SEE

http://jobstwo.blogspot.com/

HOT VIDEOS

http://hotvideotoou.blogspot.com/2011/01/kiss-videos.html

hot lip kiss
http://hotvidos.blogspot.com/2010/07/hot-lip-kiss.html
hot kisses
http://hotvidos.blogspot.com/2010/07/hot-kisses.html
hollywood hot videos
http://hotvidos.blogspot.com/2010/07/hollywood-hot-videos.html
real hot videos
http://hotvidos.blogspot.com/2010/07/real-hot-videos.html
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1048. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2011-036E - Alberta/NWT/Nu Director Re-elected

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-03 18:13:49 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4EB2D990.4080700@rac.ca>
Source record: 4088
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2011-036E - Alberta/NWT/Nu Director Re-elected
2011-11-03

Congratulations are extended to Mr. J. T. (Mitch) Mitchell, VE6OH who was recently re-elected as the RAC Director for Alberta / NWT / NU. This nomination was unopposed, eliminating the need for a balloted election. Mr. Mitchell started as a Director in January 2010 and has been involved in numerous initiatives including the planning of a major amateur convention to be held in Edmonton, in August 2012. Mr. Mitchell's term will be extended to cover January 1, 2012 to December 31, 2013.
Paul Burggraaf VO1PRB
RAC Corporate Secretary

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1049. Re: Why is Markie and his "wife" posting about eating shit on nimbusters.org ?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-03 21:01:50 UTC
From: "tholen@antispam.ham" <tholen@ifa.hawaii.edu>
Message-ID: <4aa9e081-cb92-4e48-b394-725cf397b875@x21g2000yqb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4089
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.shortwave,comp.os.os2.advocacy

paulpunce@yahoo.no writes:

1> Newsgroups:
alt.usenet.kooks,rec.radio.amateur.policy,alt.slack,comp.os.os2.advocacy

1> Indeed. One of Markie's old club buddy's said William (Billy-Boi),
Gav
1> & Markie live in an incestuous, bizarre world of gay scat sex. They
1> said the shit play is a big part of William's health problems. They
1> even smeared themselves and snacked out of Billy-Boi's colostomy
bag.

What does that have to do with alt.usenet.kooks,
rec.radio.amateur.policy,alt.slack,comp.os.os2.advocacy,
paulpunce?

2> Newsgroups:
rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.shortwave,comp.os.o
s2.advocacy

2> On Oct 22, 9:19 am, KB9RQZ@kb9rqz.org wrote:

2> > Indeed. One of Markie's old club buddy's said William (Billy-
Boi), Gav
2> > & Markie live in an incestuous, bizarre world of gay scat sex.
They
2> > said the shit play is a big part of William's health problems.
They
2> > even smeared themselves and snacked out of Billy-Boi's colostomy
bag.

2> Yes they're all sick. Very sick.

According to the first posting posting, that text was written by
you, paulpunce, not by KB9RQZ, as your attribution claims. What
does your response to yourself have to do with rec.radio.amateur.misc,
rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.shortwave,
comp.os.os2.advocacy, paulpunce?

1050. Re: get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-03 21:07:04 UTC
From: "tholen@antispam.ham" <tholen@ifa.hawaii.edu>
Message-ID: <74be79d1-0eeb-4cbe-adbd-f01dbb3b9028@n38g2000yqm.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4090
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.shortwave,comp.os.os2.advocacy

kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com> writes:

502> Newsgroups:
rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.shortwave,comp.os.os2.advocacy

502> Yes they're all sick. Very sick.

What does their sickness have to do with rec.radio.amateur.misc,
rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.shortwave,
comp.os.os2.advocacy, kb9rqz?

503> Newsgroups:
rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.shortwave,comp.os.os2.advocacy

503> Message-ID:
<51a2ff85-336a-44e7-9538-694d73f1442c@f5g2000vbz.googlegroups.com>

What does your empty response to yourself have to do with
rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.policy,
rec.radio.shortwave,comp.os.os2.advocacy, kb9rqz?

1051. Re: shownatovah

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-03 21:31:37 UTC
From: "tholen@antispam.ham" <tholen@ifa.hawaii.edu>
Message-ID: <13030736-eed5-4d5b-9c1b-76d802440197@g7g2000vbv.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4092
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy,alt.usenet.kooks

"%" <persent@gmail.com> writes:

198> Newsgroups:
rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy,alt.usenet.
kooks

198> what does that fact that you have a limited vocabulary ,
198> have to do with the diameter of your head

"so , bye bye tholen , take care"
--persent

And some people wonder why I call them Famous Last Words.
persent's vocabulary, ironically, includes words that he
doesn't even understand, and his posting includes newsgroups
that aren't relevant to the content of his posting, such as
rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack,comp.os.os2.advocacy,
rec.radio.amateur.policy.

1052. The ARRL Letter for November 3, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-03 21:36:24 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20111103191829.9299E25026@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 4091
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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There will be no ARRL Audio News <http://www.arrl.org/arrl-audio-news> this week. The ARRL Audio News will return on Thursday, November 10, 2011.

Don't forget! The ARRL November CW Sweepstakes is this weekend. Click here <http://www.arrl.org/news/2011-arrl-cw-sweepstakes-are-you-ready> for more information.

==> PUBLIC SERVICE: AMATEURS ASSIST WITH COMMUNICATIONS IN AFTERMATH OF RARE OCTOBER NOR'EASTER

A rare nor'easter brought historic snowfall and widespread damage and power outages from the Mid-Atlantic into the Northeast United States on the last weekend of October. Up and down the Atlantic seaboard, radio amateurs provided various critical services to the National Weather Service through the SKYWARN weather spotter program, and provided

communications support to local, state and federal emergency management and non-governmental organizations.

"Amateur Radio operations at the National Weather Service office in Taunton, Massachusetts were active on WX1BOX, the office's Amateur Radio station," Rob Macedo, KD1CY, told the ARRL. Macedo serves as the Eastern Massachusetts ARES® Section Emergency Coordinator and SKYWARN Coordinator for the NWS Taunton office. "Hams in Taunton were active for 21 hours supporting meteorological and damage data that was shared not only with the NWS, but also with the media and local, state and federal emergency management. This brought critical situational awareness and disaster intelligence information in near-real time with many agencies."

In the ARRL Connecticut Section, Section leaders were conducting their Simulated Emergency Test (SET) when the storm hit. "Because of the storm, we truncated the SET operational period and braced for the unseasonable October snow," explained ARRL Connecticut Section Emergency Coordinator Wayne Gronland, N1CLV. "The planned hurricane/earthquake SET scenario was quickly displaced by a real nor'easter! SKYWARN operators across the Section were activated on Saturday afternoon, and nets went late into the evening gathering snow, rain and wind data for the National Weather Service." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/amateurs-assist-with-communications-in-aftermath-of-rare-october-nor-easter>.

==> FCC NEWS: PRESIDENT OBAMA NAMES TWO NOMINEES FOR FCC COMMISSIONER

President Barack Obama has nominated two new FCC Commissioners: Jessica Rosenworcel and Ajit Varadaraj Pai. Rosenworcel has been nominated to replace retiring Commissioner Michael Copps. President Obama selected Pai to fill the seat vacated by Meredith Attwell Baker, who left the FCC in June 2010. If Rosenworcel and Pai are confirmed by the Senate, the FCC would be at its full complement of five Commissioners.

The FCC has been down one commissioner since Baker's departure, and Copps' departure at the end of the year would leave the agency with only three commissioners: two Democrats and one Republican. Only three sitting Commissioners may be members of the same political party. At present, Chairman Julius Genachowski, Copps and Mignon Clyburn are Democrats. If confirmed, Pai will join Commissioner Robert McDowell as one of the two Republicans on the Commission. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/president-obama-names-two-nominees-for-fcc-commissioner>.

==> FCC NEWS: FCC TERMINATES PROCEEDINGS AFFECTING THE AMATEUR RADIO SERVICE

The FCC issued an Order on November 1 that terminated hundreds of proceedings, including six proceedings that members of the public, including the ARRL, had asked not to be terminated. Two of these six

proceedings involved the Amateur Radio Service. This follows a June 2011 Public Notice that sought comments on whether or not it should terminate approximately 800 docketed proceedings.

On July 20, 2011, the ARRL filed comments with the FCC on this matter, explaining that it had no objection to the termination of the proceedings in the Public Notice, save for one item: The ARRL's Petition for Rulemaking (RM-10165) Amendment of Parts 2 and 97 of the Commission's Rules Regarding the 2300-2305 MHz Band. In this Petition, the ARRL requested that the FCC change the Amateur Radio Service's allocation in that band from Secondary to Primary. This Petition was one of the six items to be terminated. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-terminates-proceedings-affecting-the-amateur-radio-service>.

==> MARK YOUR CALENDARS: IT'S TIME FOR THE NOVEMBER FMT

The Frequency Measuring Test (FMT) returns to the airwaves on Wednesday, November 9. As in April, the format will simulate a roundtable QSO in which all of the stations are close to the same frequency, but not exactly on the same frequency. This time, there will be more time -- about five minutes -- between the transmissions from each station. There will be three test signal stations: Connie Marshall, K5CM, in Oklahoma, Charles Collins, W6OQI, in California, and members of the Midwest VHF/UHF Society, W8KSE, in Ohio. If you have not participated in an FMT before, it doesn't take a room full of test equipment to have fun and make surprisingly accurate measurements. You can read all of the QST articles about the exercises on the ARRL FMT web page. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/mark-your-calendars-it-s-time-for-the-november-fmt>.

==> ARRL IN ACTION: WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO LATELY?

This feature is a concise monthly update of some of the things that the ARRL is doing on behalf of its members. This installment -- which covers the month of October -- takes a look the ARRL's reaction to the FCC's new BPL regulations, how the ARRL is preparing for WRC-12, ARISS activities, new publications, the upswing in the number of licensed amateurs in the US, reports from the Official Observer Desk and more. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-in-action-what-have-we-been-up-to-lately-39>.

==> ENFORCEMENT NEWS: FCC ISSUES NOTICE OF APPARENT LIABILITY FOR FORFEITURE AND ORDER TO FLORIDA MAN FOR USING UNAUTHORIZED EQUIPMENT

Michael Perry, of Cross City, Florida, was issued a Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture on November 1 in the amount of $10,000 for operating a radio transmitter without the requisite FCC authorization. The FCC found that Perry "willfully violated section 301 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended and Sections 95.409 and 95.411 of the Commission's rules."

In response to a complaint of interference, agents from the Enforcement Bureau's Tampa Office used direction-finding techniques on March 31, 2011 to locate the source of the interference to a signal on Citizens Band channel 28 (27.2850 MHz) that was coming from Perry's residence. The same day, agents from the Tampa Office inspected Perry's CB station, which he admitted to using earlier that day. The agents observed a non-certificated CB transmitter and three linear amplifiers as part of Perry's CB station. Perry admitted to the agents that two of the three linear amplifiers were capable of generating a power output of 200 W and 1500 W respectively, and that he had never tested the third. The agents observed that the transmitter and two of the amplifiers were warm to the touch, indicating that the devices had been recently operated. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-issues-em-notice-of-apparent-liability-for-forfeiture-and-order-em-to-florida-man-for-using-unau>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "Good day sunshine <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nxYdFY94Jek>" Cook, K7RA, reports: We have more good solar cycle news in this week's bulletin, with NASA revising the estimated smoothed sunspot number for the peak of Solar Cycle 24 for the third consecutive month. The estimated value has risen nearly 30 percent since September. In addition, the monthly average of daily sunspot numbers has risen 87 percent in the past two months. The latest prediction for the near term has solar flux at 160 on November 3, 165 on November 4-9, 155 on November 10, 150 on November 11-15, and peaking again at 165 on November 17-18. For November 3-7, the predicted planetary A index is 8, 10, 12, 10 and 8, then 5 on November 8-10, 8 on November 11-13, and 5 again on November 14-23. Look for more information on the ARRL website on Friday, November 4. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by The Beatles' Good Day Sunshine <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Good_Day_Sunshine>.

==> ON THE AIR: LOGBOOK OF THE WORLD EXPERIENCING DELAYS

Due to a large number of radio amateurs uploading their logs to Logbook of The World (LoTW <http://www.arrl.org/logbook-of-the-world>) after last weekend's CQ Worldwide SSB Contest, the ARRL's online QSL verification service is experiencing delays. According to ARRL IT Manager Michael Keane, K1MK, there is about a 60 hour wait for the more than 10,000 logs in the queue to be processed. "Logs are processed in the order in which they were received," he explained. "If you have uploaded your log to LoTW, your log is currently queued for processing. It has not been lost in the system. Uploading your log multiple times will only further delay your log and those of others to be processed."

==> ARRL CONGRATULATES: JOE OSTROWSKI, KI5FJ , WINS OCTOBER QST COVER PLAQUE AWARD

The winner of the QST Cover Plaque Award for October is Joe Ostrowski, KI5FJ , for his article "A Simple Remote Impedance Matching Network. " Congratulations Joe! The QST Cover Plaque award -- given to the author or authors of the best article in each issue -- is determined by a vote of ARRL members on the QST Cover Plaque Poll Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cover-plaque-poll> . Cast a ballot for your favorite article in the November issue today.

==> THIS WEEK ON THE RADIO

This week:

- November 5-6 -- Ukrainian DX Contest
- November 5-7 -- ARRL Sweepstakes Contest (CW) <http://www.arrl.org/news/2011-arrl-cw-sweepstakes-are-you-ready>
- November 6 -- High Speed Club CW Contest; DARC 10 Meter Digital Contest
- November 9-10 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

Next week:

- November 12-13 -- Kentucky QSO Party; WAE DX Contest (RTTY); 10-10 International Fall Contest (Digital); JIDX Phone Contest; OK/OM DX Contest (CW); CWops Mini-CWT Test
- November 12-14 -- CQ-WE Contest
- November 13 -- SKCC Weekend Sprint
- November 14 -- NAQCC-EU Monthly Sprint
- November 17 -- NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint

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- November 6, 2011 -- ARRL Iowa Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/iowa-section-convention>, Davenport, Iowa
- November 19-20, 2011 -- ARRL Indiana State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/indiana-state-convention-fort-wayne-hamfest-and-computer-expo>,
Fort Wayne, Indiana
- December 3-4, 2011 -- ARRL West Central Florida Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-central-florida-section-convention-tampa-bay-hamfest-1>,
Palmetto, Florida
- January 8, 2012 -- ARRL New York/Long Island Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/new-york-long-island-section-convention-ham-radio-university-2012>,
Bethpage, New York
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<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/mississippi-state-convention-capitol-city-hamfe
st-1>,
Jackson, Mississippi
- February 4, 2012 -- ARRL Virginia State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/virginia-state-convention-frostfest-2012>,
Richmond, Virginia; ARRL South Carolina State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/south-carolina-state-convention-1>,
Ladson, South Carolina
- February 10-12, 2012 -- ARRL Northern Florida Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/northern-florida-section-convention-orlando-ham
cation-1>,
Orlando, Florida
- February 17-18, 2012 -- ARRL Southwestern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southwestern-division-convention-1>,
Yuma, Arizona
- February 18, 2012 -- ARRL Arkansas Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arkansas-section-convention-1>, Hoxie,
Arkansas
- February 25, 2012 -- ARRL Vermont State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/vermont-state-convention-ham-con-2>,
South Burlington, Vermont

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1053. Re: shownatovah

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-03 22:36:14 UTC
From: Fred Hall <fkhall@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <Xns9F92B2FD88D26rustytavek@208.90.168.18>
Source record: 4093
Cross-posted to: alt.test,rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy,alt.usenet.kooks

"tholen@antispam.ham" <tholen@ifa.hawaii.edu> wrote in
news:13030736-eed5-4d5b-9c1b-76d802440197@g7g2000vbv.googlegroups.com:

> "%" <persent@gmail.com> writes:
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> "so , bye bye tholen , take care"
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> And some people wonder why I call them Famous Last Words.
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> doesn't even understand, and his posting includes newsgroups
> that aren't relevant to the content of his posting, such as
> rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack,comp.os.os2.advocacy,
> rec.radio.amateur.policy.
>

The most intelligent and truthful post you've made in years.Tholen

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"These clowns are all Jokers!" - Rasta Khan

1054. Re: shownatovah

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-03 23:14:49 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <859961a3-144e-42bb-aa4e-4f8c8ce40193@v8g2000vbe.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4094
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy,alt.usenet.kooks

On Sep 29, 7:20 pm, kb9rqz <m...@kb9rqz.com> wrote:
> On Sep 29, 4:04 am, Mark Morgan <markmor...@acdcfan.com> wrote:
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> > On Sep 28, 4:48 pm, Derpwad- Hide quoted text -
>
> - Show quoted text -

1055. Re: shownatovah

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-03 23:17:54 UTC
From: Mariel <ing.mariel.insua@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <CY510ENL40851.3040972222@reece.net.au>
Source record: 4097
Cross-posted to: alt.test,rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack,comp.os.os2.advocacy

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In article <Xns9F92B2FD88D26rustytavek@208.90.168.18>
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> > rec.radio.amateur.policy.
> > >
>
> The most intelligent and truthful post you've made in years.Tholen
>

Zzzz.
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1056. Re: get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-03 23:17:57 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <7a25a65d-82cf-468c-bf48-83bdcf4b0000@h5g2000vbf.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 4096
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.shortwave,comp.os.os2.advocacy

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On Oct 27, 3:25 pm, kb9rqz <m...@kb9rqz.com> wrote:
> On Oct 23, 2:07 pm, kb9rqz <m...@kb9rqz.com> wrote:
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> - Show quoted text -
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1057. Re: shownatovah

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-03 23:25:10 UTC
From: % <persent@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <Nr6dnVBsAvmWvC7TnZ2dnUVZ_qydnZ2d@giganews.com>
Source record: 4095
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy,alt.usenet.kooks

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>> On Sep 29, 4:04 am, Mark Morgan <markmor...@acdcfan.com> wrote:
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1058. Re: shownatovah

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-03 23:27:05 UTC
From: Fred Hall <fkhall@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <Xns9F92BB9C9DDFBrustytavek@208.90.168.18>
Source record: 4098
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy,alt.usenet.kooks

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> oh woe is me! my mother ate the goats. maybe i should seek out the
> kids.

No doubt

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"These clowns are all Jokers!" - Rasta Khan

1059. Somewhat off-topic question: Grundig FR200

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-04 00:02:23 UTC
From: Kickin' Ass and Takin' Names <PopUlist349@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <7la6b79p2r6qfp1t6c8rjt6q2pgfu7jsai@4ax.com>
Source record: 4099

Anyone out there ever removed a Grundig FR200 radio from its case?

The FR200 is one of these "emergency radios" -- AM, SW, FM bands;
battery, AC adapter, or hand-crank dynamo power.

No BFO.

I just built a small 455 Khz BFO and need to install it in the radio.

I removed the five screws holding the case together, including the
one inside the battery compartment, but can't get the thing to open
-- the case opens around the edges but there appears to be something
in the center holding it together -- I've looked and looked and can't
find what's holding it together.

It looks as though the PC board with all the radio innards is attached
to the front of the radio and the back holds only the telescoping
antenna and the batteries, connected by leads.

Thanks for the help.

1060. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1786 - November 4 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-04 09:00:14 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20111104090004.E8B3E33C8E@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4100
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1786 - November 4 2011

The following is a closed circuit advisory and not necessarily for air.
With the latest on Amateur Radio Newsline's financial status here is
our producer Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF:
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Well, the last time I was on here with a financial report I told you
that I thought we had enough in the bank to hold us over the summer
months of July to September, and that I would not be asking for any
contributions unless the sky was falling. Well I'm happy to say that
the sky didn't fall and that I was able to keep that promise thanks to
some frugal spending we made it. However, no matter how conservative
ones spending is, there are still ongoing expenses that have to be met
on a month to month basis, and as of now it will be hard to meet the
bills for October that are piling up. So this time, we are trying
something a bit different. Instead of waiting for the last minute, were
are asking bulletin stations to spread the word that by the end of
November we need to raise about $900 to $1000 so that we will be in a
position to pay the all of the invoices, and hopefully hold us through
to the end of the year. To be candid, I do not like to lead off a
newscast with an appeal such as this, but we have no other method of
getting the word out to you that we need your financial assistance to
keep Amateur Radio Newsline on the air. To all of us involved, each
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add my personal thank you. Remember, Amateur Radio Newsline is a 501c3,
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donation to the address you will hear at the end of this weeks
newscast. Whichever method you choose, the all volunteer Amateur Radio
Newsline team says thank you so much for caring. We promise to do all
that we can to continue bringing you the news and information you want
to hear about amateur radio and personal communications in the coming
years. Thank you. I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, and now this weeks
newscast.
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Thank you Bill. Now, Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1786 with a
release date of Friday, November 4th, 2011 to comes your way in
5-4-3-2-1. The following is a Q-S-T. The ARRL makes its first

statement to the FCC's 2nd Report and Order on BPL, the FCC terminates
several long pending matters dealing with ham radio, more unlicensed
broadcasters are fined in Florida, a record setting ham radio test

session is held in California and news of a free resource for all ham's, shortwave listeners and other radio hobbyists, especially those based in the USA. All this and more on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1786 coming your way right now.

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THE BPL SAGA: ARRL ISSUES FIRST COMMENTS ON SECOND REPORT AND ORDER ON ACCESS BPL

The ARRL has issued its first comments to the FCC's Second Report and Order on Access Broadband over Powerline. Amateur Radio Newsline's Mark Abramowicz, NT3V, is here with the details:

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To sum it up, the American Radio Relay League is disappointed with the FCC's decision. According to the ARRL Letter and the ARRL's website, the FCC's ruling on the whole issue of Broadband over Power Line missed the mark on the concerns about levels of radiated emissions which would cause interference on the ham bands.

For those who may not have been following this, BPL as the technology is called, is a way electric companies see of getting the internet out to suburban and rural customers, simply by having a customer plug into an electrical outlet in their home or apartment. The access would then be sent down existing electric lines.

But tests by the ARRL and other organizations shows the technology is pretty noise intensive. The ARRL's proposed solution to the FCC was mandatory notching of the amateur radio bands to a level 35 dB below the general emission limit.

The FCC rejected the ARRL's suggestion and those of its own staff and suggested 25 dB notching should be sufficient to handle the problem. That's only 5 dB above the current allowable peak of 20 dB.

The ARRL says the commission also made some changes on the distance for a measurement antenna and a power line being used for BPL for the purpose of extrapolating the level of interference.

The ARRL's Chief Executive Officer Dave Sumner K1ZZ, also is quoted as saying the league feels the FCC grossly mischaracterized the organization's position.

And, the ARRL accuses the FCC of defying the laws of physics in some of its arguments for its position.

But, the ARRL also praises the FCC for one statement in its findings. The conclusion that harmful interference must be corrected under any circumstance.

But Sumner, as quoted by the ARRL, says the FCC's actions don't back up its words, especially with regard to interference complaints. He notes

that the ARRL's own, welldocumented formal interference complaint about BPL has been languishing at the FCC since last December.

The ARRL notes that the FCC's data on how many BPL systems are in operation today is flawed, and states the government agency lists so-called paper systems that were never even built, systems that are still in the planning stage, some in the trial stage, and those that simply were shut off.

The ARRL's Sumner vows a thorough review of the FCCs BPL document and pledges there will be a petition for reconsideration filed.

He notes that while the marketplace has not embraced BPL, there are some smart grid technology applications which could creep in and cause future problems for hams.

Sumner's bottom line according to the ARRL publication and website, is fixing the rules now - making notching mandatory, so anyone else deciding to use the technology will play on the same field as the few existing BPL providers who have acknowledged the need to notch their systems so as not to interfere with the amateur radio bands.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Mark Abramowicz, NT3V, in Philadelphia.

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For those of you new to ham radio and who may be unaware of the kind of havoc that access BPL can bring to the amateur bands and what the League has been doing to protect the ham bands from it, you might want to take a look at the video titled "The ARRL Goes To Washington." You can find it online at tinyurl.com/arrl-bpl-movie. (ARNewsline(tm) from ARRL information)

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RADIO LAW: FCC CLOSES THE DOOR ON PETITION TO MAKE ALL HAM GEAR FIELD SERVICEABLE

The FCC's Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau has terminated as dormant several pending proceedings, several of which involve amateur radio. The first matter terminated is RM-10412. This was petition filed several years ago by Nickolaus Leggett, N3NL, would mandate that all commerciallymanufactured amateur radios sold in the United States be field repairable and among other things would require a minimum component spacing.

In its decision to close RM-10412, the FCC noted that Leggett requested that it keep the matter open to allow various parties to submit additional comments on regulatory steps that would enhance certain aspects of the Amateur Radio Service. However, on April 15, 2004, the Commission released a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking and Order which specifically denied RM-10412. Since, by this action, RM10412 should have already have been closed, the FCC says that it rejects the request

by N3NL to keep it open. (FCC)

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RADIO LAW: 1991 PETITION TO PROTECT CIVILIAN COMMUNICATIONS GEAR FROM EMP DAMAGE DISMISSED

Yet another long dormant proceeding dismissed by the FCC was RM-5528 that has been going nowhere since it was filed back on October 22nd of 1991. Requested by Nickolaus Leggett, N3NL and Donald J. Schellhardt, KI4PMG, Docket RM-5528 would in essence have required all civilian solid state communications gear to be electronically and mechanically shielded against damage or destruction from Electromagnetic Pulse or EMP effects. Leggett and Schellhardt and wanted RM 5528 to be scanned into the Electronic Comment Filing System and that it be left open for additional public comments stating that EMP is a vital issue that needs to be addressed one way or the other. Now it appears that will not happen as the FCC notes that RM-5528 was closed by this previous action, the FCC rejects the request that the proceeding remain open. (FCC)

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>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the KL7ION repeater serving Anchorage, Alaska.

(5 sec pause here)

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RESCUE RADIO: NOVEMBER 9 EAS TEST TO BE SHORTENED

Some breaking news regarding the nationwide Emergency Activation System or E-A-S test slated for November 9th at 2 p.m. Eastern Time.

According to an e-mail distributed by the National Association of Broadcasters to a number of industry leaders on November 3rd the NAB was informed by the Federal Emergency Management Agency that the audio portion of the test will now last 30 seconds, instead of the originally planned two and a half minutes. This should result in a total test time of approximately 45 to 60 seconds, including the data burst tones.

Radioworld on-line says that ths change was reportedly made at the direction of Secretary of Homeland Security Janet Napolitano. The National Association of Broadcasters says that it will be providing more information as it learns the details. (via e-mail from radioworld.com)

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RADIO LAW: FCC CLOSES ACTION ON FCC PETITION TO MAKE 2300 to 2305 MHZ PRIMARY TO AMATEUR RADIO

Another rules change request being terminated is RM-10165. It was filed by the ARRL on May 7, 2001 and requested that the Amateur Radio Service allocation status in the 2300 to 2305 MHz band be changed from secondary to primary. The FCC says that after 11 years its time to finally bring this one to an end. Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP, has the details on this one:

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On October 10, 2002, the Commission's Office of Engineering and Technology issued an Order dismissing ARRL's Petition. But the ARRL claims that the order did not resolve the issue of the allocation status of the Amateur Radio Service in the 2300 to 2305 MHz band, or ARRL's request for a primary allocation in that segment. As such the ARRL maintains that the status of the Amateur Radio Service allocation at 2300 to 2305 MHz remains relevant because of actions taken by the Commission with respect to an adjacent band at 2305 to 2320 MHz; because ARRL has filed a Petition for Reconsideration regarding the actions taken in the 2305 to 2320 MHz band; and due to other unrelated proposals for use of the 2300 to 2305 MHz band.

Regarding the 2305 to 2320 MHz band, on May 2010, the Commission issued an Order that amended certain rules governing the Wireless Communications Service or W-C-S. This to enable W-C-S licensees to provide mobile broadband services.

In doing so, the Commission openly acknowledged that out-ofband emissions that could result from expanded use of W-C-S mobile devices in the 2305 to 2320 MHz band have the potential to increase interference to amateur radio operations in the 2300 to 2305 MHz band. However, during the course of the W-C-S proceeding, the FCC notes that the ARRL did not file any comments raising the issue of whether the Amateur Radio Service allocation status in the 2300 to 2305 MHz band should be modified. The FCC also notes that although the ARRL filed a Petition for Reconsideration of the W-C-S Order, it did not request a change in the status of the Amateur Radio Service allocation at 2300 to 2305 MHz in that filing. In fact, in its Reply Comments to the Opposition to its W-C-S Petition, that the ARRL specifically stated that it was not asking the Commission to revisit any aspect of its past decisions regarding that status.

As a result the FCC says that it believes that the RM-10165 proceeding concerning ARRL's request to change the status of the Amateur Radio Service to primary in the 2300 to 2305 MHz band should be terminated, since its request had already been dismissed and ARRL did not file a petition for reconsideration of that dismissal order.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP, watching the happenings in the nations capital from Scottsdale, Arizona.

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However the FCC did leave open the door to future change. In its termination order the Commission said that if the ARRL still desires a

change in the Amateur Radio Service allocation status in the 2300-2305 MHz band, it can file a new petition for rulemaking. In the meantime, RM-10165 is terminated. (FCC)

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RESCUE RADIO: THAILAND FLOODING HAM RADIO UPDATE

We have an update on ham radio assistance in Thailand where severe flooding has already claimed over 370 lives in less than three months. Word is that flood waters have closed in on the capital Bangkok. This as the authorities struggle to divert as much water as possible around the city as possible.

But according to Tony Waltham, HS0DX, for many areas to the north of the capital it is too late. Hundreds of communities are reported to be uninhabitable with flood water more than two or three meters high. 1 meter is the equivalent of 3.28 feet

Amateur radio has been playing an ongoing role in this disaster with operators helping to co-ordinate relief and rescue work using VHF two-way communications and repeaters, HF communications in the 40 meter band from 7 dot 060 to 7 dot 063 MHz on 40 meters. That operation under the direction of the Radio Amateur Society of Thailand continues as we go to air and is expected to be ongoing for some time to come.

There are also several Echolink conference rooms set up to aid in relief efforts. These include one named "Bangkok", "Thailand" and HS0AC. A list of VHF frequencies and repeaters can be found at www.qsl.net/rast.

Ham radio has also seen its share of destruction due to the rains. Among the areas inundated by more than a meter of water is the campus of the Asian Institute of Technology, where the Radio Amateur Society of Thailand's H-F club and contest station HS0ACis located. All the gear there is reported to be under water and may not be salvageable. (VK3PC)

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RESCUE RADIO: GLOBESET 2011 TO BE HELD NOVEMBER 12

Headquarters stations of all International Amateur Radio Union Region 2 Member Societies and stations of emergency communications groups are invited by IARU Region 1 to participate in the next Global Simulated Emergency Test. This event will take place on Saturday, November 12th, from 11:00 to 15:00 local time. YV5RNE will be the Region 2 Headquarters Station on the IARU Center of Activity frequencies. More information is on-line at tinyurl.com/globeset-2011. (HR2P)

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ENFORCEMENT: ANOTHER UNLICENSED FLORIDA BROADCASTER DINGED $10000

Florida seems to continue to hold the dubious honor as the nations unlicensed radio station capital. This with yet another unlicensed broadcaster being issued a Notice of Monetary forfeiture in the amount of $10000.

This time the recipient of the Commissions proposed fine is one Willis Cernogg, Jr. of Miami. According to the FCC, this past January 21st, March 24th, and April 14th agents from the Enforcement Bureau's Miami Office locate the source of radio frequency transmissions on 90.7 MHz to a residence in Miami, Florida, shared by Cernogg and several others. On January 21st and March 24th, the agents determined that the signals being broadcast exceeded the limits for operation under Part 15 of the Commission's rules and therefore required a license.

On April 14th Miami FCC agents inspected the station after the Miami Police Department executed a search warrant and secured the residence. The agents observed that the station's transmitter display read 90.7 MHz. A person who rented a room at the residence stated that Mr. Cernogg put the radio equipment in the locked area where police found it, and also provided Mr. Cernogg's phone number. Subsequently, an agent from the Miami Office conducted an Internet search and found profile information for user "LadyLuckRadio907FMMiami" discussing an underground radio station on 90.7 FM. They also found a Twitter user called "LADYLUCKRADIO" listing.

Based on the evidence it has gathered the FCC on October 25th issued a Notice of Monetary Forfeiture in the amount of $10000 to Cernogg. He was given the customary 30 days to pay the proppsed fine or to register an appeal. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC REDUCES $10000 NAL FOR UNLICENSED OPERATION TO $250

Still in Florida, the FCC has affirmed a monetary forfeiture in the amount of $250 to Thomas L. Morey of St. Petersburg. This for what the Commission says was his willful and repeated violation of section 301 of the Communications Act by operating an unlicensed radio transmitter on the frequency 88.3 MHz.

Back this past May 5th the Enforcement Bureau's Tampa Office issued a $10,000 Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture to Morey for his operation of an unlicensed radio transmitter without the requisite Commission authorization. Morey submitted a response to the N-A-L requesting cancellation of the proposed forfeiture, asserting that he was in no position to be able to pay the that amount. He also provided the necessary records to prove this to be the case.

After having reviewed Morey's documentation, the FCC concluded that the forfeiture should be reduced to $250. This they say is an amount within the range determined by the Enforcement Bureau to be affordable by Thomas Morey. Morey was given the customary 30 days from the October 18th release date of the order to pay that amount or the case may be referred to the Department of Justice for further enforcement. (FCC)

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ON THE AIR: BARQUE STAR OF INDIA SPECAL EVENT

The oldest active sailing ship in the world, the Barque Star of India, will be on the air on Saturday November 12th and Sunday November13th using call sign NS6OI. This while sailing near San Diego, California to celebrate the vessels 148th birthday.

The Barque Star of India will be accompanied by the HMS Surprise which will also operating using the call sign NS6OI Mobile. H-M-S Surprise is a sailing replica of the 20 gun British Navy Frigate HMS Rose from the year 1757.

Listen out for both on 20 and 10 meters world-wide as well as local repeaters in Southern California. QSL cards with s self addressed stamped return envelope go to the Star of India Amateur Radio Club, NS6OI, 1492 Harbor Drive, San Diego, California, 92101. (NS6OI)

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HAM TESTING: RECORD TEST ATTENDANCE EXPECTED AT CAL POLY SLO

If you are hearing this newscast after Friday, November 4th, then this event has already taken place. That's because a record number of 150 electrical engineering freshman students from Cal Poly San Louis Obispo were scheduled to take their amateur radio technician class license exam in the largest amateur radio licensing event ever in California's San Luis Obispo area.

Hosted by the Cal Poly Amateur Radio Club, this event will break the clubs previous record of 62 new licensees, set back on October 1st. Special testing arrangements were made with the American Radio Relay League to accommodate this large of a group.

This session is likely the largest amateur radio testing session ever held at the collegiate level and we hope to have the results in next

weeks Amateur Radio Newsline report. (W6AQ, Cal-Poly SLO ARC)

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THE SOCIAL SCENE: ARRL CHOOSES PACIFICON FOR ITS 2012 ARRL NATIONAL CONVENTION

The ARRL National Convention is coming to Northern California in 2012. Specifically the event will be held in Santa Clara California in conjunction with the ARRL Pacific Division Convention better known as Pacificon.

The announcement that Pacificon 2012 was made at the recent 2011 Pacificon convention banquet by Bob Inderbitzen, NQ1R, who is the Marketing Manager for the League:

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NQ1R: "I have a save-the-date announcement for you all today. Add to your Android and your iPhones the following dates: October 12th to the 14th 2012 Pacificon will host the ARRL National Convention." (applause)

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According to Inderbitzen, Pacificon, which is hosted by the Mt. Diablo Amateur Radio Club, is a already a truly great show. He says that having the ARRL National there should bring a lot of national attention to it next year.

Once again, the dates for the next years joint ARRL National and Pacificon convention is October 12th to the 14th. The venue will again be the Mariott Hotel in Santa Clara, California. We at Amateur Radio Newsline hope to see and to meet many of you there. (ARNewsline(tm))

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THE SOCIAL SCENE: NCTECH 2011 - NOVEMBER 12 IN AZLE TEXAS

The North Central Texas Emergency Communicators' HamFestival will be held form 7 a.m. to noon Central Time on Saturday, November 12th. The venue is the Azle Community Center in the city of Azle, Texas which to the North-West of Fort Worth. Amateur exams sponsored by both the W5YI VEC and ARRL VEC will be administered beginning at 9 a.m.. Talkin is on the 147.160 Mhz WC5C 2 meter repeater that uses a 110.9 hertz access tone. More information on this event is on-line at www.wc5c.org. (Via e-mail)

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THE SOCIAL SCENE: NJ OLD TIME RADIO CONVENTION GOES QRT

The annual Friends of Old-Time Radio Convention, that has been meeting for 36 years, has gone QRT.

According to news reports the gathering that has been running each year since 1975. It has folded because of a lack of featured guests who were a part of broadcast radio in its infancy through its hey-day of the 1950's.

The final Friends of Old Time Radio Convention was held October 20th to the 23rd at the Ramada Plaza hotel across the way from Newark Airport in New Jersey. This year's honoree was 88 year old Arthur Anderson who acted as a teenager with the great actor/director/producer Orson Welles.

Also present were the grandsons of 1930's song and dance man Eddie Cantor and descendants of radio actor Brace Beemer. Beemer was the voice of the Lone Ranger for most of its run on radio.

But the stars and voices of that era have almost all fallen silent and with nobody left to tribute to, now so has the gathering that has honored this art form for almost four decades. (Earthlink NewsNet)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: PAUL GIFFIN VA7MPG APPOINTED NEW SM FDOR BRITISH COLUMBIA AND THE YUKON

Paul Giffin VA7MPG, has been appointed Radio Amateurs of Canada Section Manager for British Columbia and Yukon Section effective November 1st. Giffin has been licensed since 1993 and has been active in emergency communications for the past 47years. Over 40 of these as an operational member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. He is currently Emergency Coordinator for the City of Nanaimo and the southern portion of the Regional District of Nanaimo. Giffin lives in Gabriola Island, British Columbia. (RAC)

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ON THE AIR: WORLDWIDE D-STAR QSO PARTY NOV 11 -

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If you are a user of D-Star, or planning to get a D-Star radio soon, then put aside the weekend of Friday, November 11th through Sunday

November 13th. That's when ICOM will host the 2011 D-STAR QSO Party on a S-STAR repeater near you.

According to Icom, the theme of this Year's D-STAR QSO Party is "Travel the World." You can take this trip vicariously via the D-STAR network, or on 10 or 6 meter simplex, to as many countries as possible using the D-STAR network.

In addition to the fun of meeting new people in the worldwide D-STAR Community, if you submit your log you have a chance to be one of fifteen lucky hams who will be chosen to receive a free model ID-31A or ID-31E D-Star handheld from Icom.

The basic rules are these: Submit your log with a minimum of one D-STAR contact and you are in the running. Submit a log with at least five foreign countries and you will double your chances to win. Submit ten countries, and your chances triple. And if your log has twenty or more unique countries, you quadruple your chances at becoming a winner of the new ID-31 portable.

While Jules Verne wrote about going the around the world in 80-days, you will only have 72 hours to fill your log during the D-STAR QSO Party. For complete rules on how to participate in this fun event, please take your web browser to tinyurl.com/d-star-qso-party. (Icom, Ham Nation)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: AUBIESAT-1 IS ON ORBIT

AUBIESAT-1 and several other satellites are now on-orbit. The birds were launched on Friday, October 28th at 09:48 UTC on board a Delta II booster from Vandenberg Air Force Base in California. Explorer-1, AubieSat-1 and M-Cubed were released at 11:26 UT. The Radio Auroral Explorer 2 followed at 11:27 UTC and the non-amateur Dynamic Ionosphere CubeSat Experiment or DICE satellite at 11:29 UTC. A few hours later, signals from Aubiesat-1 and two other of the cubesats had been heard and confirmed. (ANS)

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HELP WANTED: OPERATOR NEEDED FOR FRENCH GUYANA OPERATION

The upcoming DXpedition to French Guyana is desperately looking for another CW operator. The operation starts in Paris on December 26th form where it travels to Royale Island and ends on Jan 7, 2012. For practical reasons, candidates with some French knowledge are preferred and a valid yellow fever vaccination is required. Anyone interested in taking part in this adventure should contact Jean Paul Jolly by e-mail to f5oqk (at) orange (dot) fr. (Southgate)

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In DX, word that Sable Island is a go for this year. AA4VK, N1SNB and WA4DAN say that they will be active portable CY0 between December 29th and January 6th and that the aircraft to carry the trio to the remote outpost has been chartered. For more details and updates, watch the Web page at www.cy0dxpedition.com.

The Five Star DXers Association T32C DXpedition to Christmas Island is now history. Despite initial difficulties with their container of equipment not reaching the island, the team finished with over 213,000 contacts and this is the first time an expedition has exceeded 200,000 QSO's to that rare location.

DL7DF will be on holiday in Kenya between November 23rd and December 6th. He plans to be active as 5Z4HW and operate on all bands, 160 through 10 meters using CW, SBB, RTTY, PSK31 and SSTV as often as possible. His location will be Diani Beach at the coastline of Mombasa. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the DARC Bureau.

S01MZ in the Western Sahara has been active in past weeks on 20 and 15 meters. He is usually heard between 12:30 and 18:00 UTC but other details are known about this station. He does say to QSL via EA1BT.

GM3YTS and GM0GAV will be operational from Malawi as 7Q7GM through November 13th. Activity will be CW only with a focus on the low bands, especially 160 and 80 meters. They are hoping to have an online log available. Look for all QSOs to be uploaded to Logbook of the World as soon as they return home. QSL via GM4FDM.

Lastly, JH8PHT will be active as AH0KT from Saipan on the Northern Mariana Islands between November 24th and the 28th. QSL via his home callsign only. Please do not QSL to Saipan.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: 2011 NTIA SPECTRUM ALLOCATION WALLCHART NOW AVAILABLE

And finally this week, have you ever wondered what lies just beyond the band limits of your FCC operating license? Many hams have and now theres a free way to find out. Yes we said free and Amateur Radio Newsline's Michael Grebert, N4OZ, is here with the details:

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The complete US Frequency Allocations between 3 kHz and 300 GHZ are published in a highly detailed, easy to read, color wall chart by the NTIA's Office of Spectrum Management. The new 2011 edition is now available to be downloaded at no charge from the Agency's website.

All US commercial, industrial, medical, military, broadcast and amateur radio frequency allocations are clearly marked and color coded to allow easy identification. Exclusive and non-exclusive bands and allocations are easily seen, as are band limits and different types of service.

The chart is available as a high resolution .pdf file, or as a 68 text based equivalent that may be more convenient for printing at home and keeping in a binder.

No matter how familiar you are with your own small part of our spectrum, this chart is a fascinating mosaic of all the varied and competing uses of this precious resource. Scanner listeners in particular will appreciate the breadth and detail included across the commonly receivable spectrum and beyond.

The National Telecommunications and Information Administration or NTIA is responsible for all US Federal Government frequency allocation and spectrum management. In this regard it is the companion body to the Federal Communications Commission or FCC, who manage the spectrum on behalf of all non Government users.

The NTIA's new chart shows the combined allocations for all users managed by both organizations, ensuring that no approved frequency usage is omitted.

Hams and radio hobbyists outside the US can also benefit from this information, as other regions and countries generally follow a similar allocation scheme, with many bands being used globally among similar services.

Both the full color wall chart and the text version of this excellent resource can be downloaded from tinyurl.com/2011chart.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Michael Grebert, N4OZ, reporting from Music City, Nashville, Tennessee.

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Once again that free NTIA chart can be downloaded free of charge at tinyurl.com/2011chart. And you have to admit that for that price it's a hard offer to pass up. (N4OZ)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Jim Davis, W2JKD, in Vero Beach Florida saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-04 15:00:26 UTC
From: Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk
Message-ID: <20111104150005.6700C33C57@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3901
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 6 November 2011

The news headlines:

* Latest information on RSGB EGM

* New 2E series QSL Manager appointed

* Greek 5MHz beacon returns

The RSGB is holding an Extraordinary General Meeting on 19 November at the NEC in Birmingham. Those not planning to attend can vote on the resolutions using the form in November's RadCom, or by internet. In a letter to clubs, RSGB President Dave Wilson, M0OBW has encouraged everyone to vote on the important matters being proposed by the Board. Remember, if you don't vote, you can't really criticise the outcome.

The Society is keen to form a view of how many people will be at the EGM, for planning purposes. If you plan to attend in person, please would you go to www.rsgb.org/attend and complete the brief information required. If you plan to arrive at Birmingham International by train, there is a free bus to take you to EGM venue. You will need to summon the bus using a courtesy telephone. The phone, which has a Hilton logo on it, is inside the station arrivals hall, next to the Subway restaurant.

The QSL bureau would like to thank everyone who volunteered for the vacant post of 2E series sub manager, which has now been filled. John Russell, 2E0CGT, will shortly take over from Anthony Horton, G0LKG, who has managed the 2E0 series for 12 years. Over that time the 2E0 series grew into one of the largest sub groups .Our thanks go to him and his XYL for their kind efforts. 2E1 callsigns, currently managed by Lloyd Thomas, 2W0LLT are also to be re-combined, making up one single 2E series. All cards and envelopes are currently being transferred. Full details are in the members' area of the RSGB website.

A 5MHz beacon from Greece is now on the air. Operating on 5398.5kHz CW, it runs 30W into a non resonant antenna for the moment. It should be on the air mostly between 1900 and 0600UTC. It may be off on some days due to other HF activities at the test site, so try to listen regularly. Details of the beacon message and timings can be found on the IARU Region 1 website, www.iaru-r1.org.

There will be two talks on the AMSAT-UK FUNcube Dongle VHF UHF software defined radio at the BAA Radio Astronomy Group meeting on Saturday 12 November. The meeting is at The Humfrey Rooms, Castilian Terrace, Northampton, NN1 1LD. Tony Abbey will talk about his experiences of using the AMSAT- UK FUNcube and Dr David Morgan will describe how the FUNcube Dongle raises the prospect of amateurs being able to put together a low-cost radio telescope. Tickets for the main event are available, with or without lunch, from www.britastro.org/radio.

A new digital net to encourage use of these modes on 10m will be held every Saturday and Sunday at 1800UTC. The net will gather on 28.125MHz USB, plus or minus QRM. RS ID and Call ID will be used to help people pick out the net and modes used. Olivia 500/8 mode will be used to call up the net but it may switch modes as needed. Check out www.obriensweb.com/sked for online coordination during each session. The Colorado 6m beacon is back on the air. Having been rebuilt, the operating frequency is 50.065MHz and the callsign is KA0CDN. Further information can be found online at www.rmvhf.org.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

The Foyle & District ARC Rally takes place today, 6 November, at the Best Western White Horse Hotel, 68 Clooney Road, Derry BT47 3PA. Doors open at 12 noon and there will be trade stands, the RSGB QSL bureau and IRTS in attendance.

The West London Radio & Electronics Show, otherwise known at the Kempton Rally, takes place today, 6 November, at Kempton Park racecourse, Staines Road East, Sunbury on Thames, Middlesex TW16 5AQ. Doors open at 10am and there will be trade stands, RSGB bookstall and lectures. More information from Paul, M0CJX, on 08451 650 351.

The Rochdale & District RS Traditional Radio Rally will take place on 12 November at St Vincent's Church Hall, Caldershaw Road, Rochdale OL12 7QL. Note that this is a Saturday rally. Doors open at 10.30am and admission is £2.50 with concessions for under 12s and senior citizens. Attractions include a Bring & Buy. More information from Dave, G0PUD on 07710 243 107.

The Mayo Radio Experimenters are holding their annual Radio Rally on Sunday 20 November at the Welcome Inn Hotel, Castlebar, Co Mayo, where the doors will open at 11am. There will be the usual range of traders, club stands, demonstrations and extensive catering facilities. On Saturday evening, at 7pm, Pat Fitzpatrick, EI2HX will give a talk and demonstration on amateur television. At 9pm Dave Deane, EI9FBB will give a talk on the ARRL DXCC Program and also on the Logbook of the World system. He also took part in the recent T32C DXpedition. Full details of the hotel packages, the lecture programme and rally information are online at www.ei7mre.org.

A D-Star Digital Workshop will be held on 13 November at County Hall, Atlantic Wharf, Cardiff CF10 4UW. Doors open from 10am to 5pm. Bring a copy of your licence to operate the D-Star station on the day. There

will be help with operating D-Star, programming radios, repeater and reflector use and navigating your radio. Newcomers are most welcome. Contact Dave, 2W0RUH by e-mail to dave.2w0ruh@ntlworld.com for further details.

Now for the news of special events

G0BAR will be on air on Monday 7 November between 10am and 12pm, activating Seaview ROC Bunker on the Isle of Wight. All details are available at www.rocbunkers.co.uk.

The Caddington Scout and Cub group are holding a communication week starting on 14 November. Operating from Caddington Scout HQ, Dunstable Road, Caddington, Bedfordshire as GB1CSC, they will be on 40, 20, and 2m and they are hoping for lots of contacts.

On Sunday 13 November GB4WLR will be on the air from the West Lancs Railway as part of the Children in Need fund raising event. And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

I0WDX will be on the air as 8Q7CC from the Maldives until 12 November. A web page for this operation is online at dxcoffee.com/8q7cc. QSL via his home callsign, direct only.

LA9DL and LA6VM will be active from Bhutan using the callsigns A52DL and A52VM, respectively, until 13 November. Operations will be on 10 to 80m. A52DL will be mainly on PSK and SSB, while A52VM will be mostly on CW. QSL via their home callsigns.

DL2NUD, DL8YHR and DL9MS will be active as 8P9HP, 8P9DL and 8P9MS, respectively, from Barbados between 7 and 21 November. Their operation will be on the HF bands as well as 6 and 2m moonbounce. QSL via their home callsigns.

9N7MD will be on the air from 13 to 25 November from Nepal. Details at www.mdxc.org/nepal2011.

A CW-only trip with emphasis on 160m and 80m is being undertaken by GM3YTS and GM0GAV. They will be on the air from Malawi until 13 November using the callsign 7Q7GM. QSLs go via GM4FDM and logs will also be uploaded to Logbook of the World.

Easter Island will be available on the HF bands until 11 November when LA5UF operates as CE0Y/LA5UF. This one counts as SA-001 for the IOTA Award.

Now the contest news

The 432MHz UK Activity Contest takes place on 8 November from 2000 to 2230UTC. Using all modes within the 70cm band, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

November is the final month of this year's 80m Club Sprint series, with the SSB leg taking place on 9 November between 2000 and 2130UTC. The

exchange is serial number and name.

The Club Calls Contest is a 160m team event in which a lot of club stations are given an airing. Club stations are encouraged to involve newly licensed members, especially in the latter part of the contest. At that time they are not likely to be on the receiving end of a pileup, so the pressure will be less. Script the QSOs or give them cue cards, so they know exactly what to say and when to say it. Please note that there are rule changes this year, so participants need to make sure they've read them well in advance of the event. This contest is now the second of this season's Super League events. The contest takes place on 12 November from 2000 to 2300UTC using SSB. The exchange is signal report, serial number and club code.

The RTTY leg of the WAE DX Contest takes place for the whole 48 hours of 12 and 13 November. The CW leg was held in August and SSB leg in September, but the rules for RTTY differ because on RTTY everybody works everybody. Single operator stations are limited to 36 hours out of 48. The exchange is signal report and serial number. And now the solar factual data for the period from the 24th to the 30th October, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on the 31st of October.

First this week the latest smoothed monthly sunspot numbers for January, February and March which are 31.0, 33.4 and 36.9 respectively.

The majority of the sunspot groups visible were small and quiet but several groups were complex enough to produce small C class solar flares. Solar activity was low every day. Only 17 C class flares took place during the period. Solar flux levels declined from 145 units on the 24th to 123 by the 29th. The average was 133. The 90 day solar flux average on the 30th was 124 units, that's two units up on last week. X-ray flux levels declined slightly from B5.4 units to B4.3. The average was B4.6 units. Geomagnetic activity started at sub- storm levels with the arrival of a coronal mass ejection during the early evening of the 24th. Because of the time of arrival, Europe missed out on the best of the auroral propagation - unlike North America. The Ap index on the 24th and the 25th was 23 and 33 respectively. Quiet conditions returned the following day with an Ap of only 2 units on the 28th and the 29th. The average was Ap 10 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds decline from 550 kilometres per second on the 25th to a slow 250 kilometres per second by the 29th. Bz was negative by 23 nanoTeslas on the 24th and the 25th but for the remainder of the period varied between minus 4 and plus 7 nanoTeslas.

And now the solar forecast. This week the quiet side of the Sun is expected to rotate out of view. Solar activity should be low most days but could increase to moderate levels occasionally later in the week. Solar flux levels should steadily increase and be around the 140's by next weekend. Geomagnetic activity should be quiet every day as no coronal holes are expected. However, as witnessed last week, a filament eruption or a coronal mass ejection could suddenly increase activity and these events are not easy to forecast. MUFs during daylight hours

at equal latitudes should be about 33MHz for the south and 30MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows are expected to be around 10MHz. Paths this week to India should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of about 32MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be around 27MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 0900 and 1400 hours.

Last week mention was made of some very short skip propagation on 28MHz. The propagation mode is not immediately obvious, though backscatter, sporadic-E and tropo have all been suggested. On balance, Sporadic-E looks the most likely candidate. Although this is most common during the summer months and around Christmas it can occur at any time of year. This may well have been a rare unseasonable appearance.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your

transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS On Sunday 6 November South Birmingham Radio Society is visiting the West London Radio and Electronics show at Kempton Park. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Monday 7 November Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is having a visit by RSGB Region 5 Manager Vaughan, M0VRR, for a talk on Echolink plus an informal question and answer session on the RSGB. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Monday 7 November South Birmingham Radio Society is on the air and having a review of new committee. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Monday 7 November Sutton Coldfield Amateur Radio Society is on the air and holding a general meeting with discussions. More information from Robert Bird, by email to spirit.guide@hotmail.co.uk.

On Monday 7 November Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society is running a 2m club net on 145.275MHz FM. For more information contact Peter D Rivers, G4XEX, on 01858 432 105.

On Tuesday 8 November Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 8 November Forest of Dean Amateur Radio Group is having a talk and demo on direction finding. Details on 01594 549 110.

On Tuesday 8 November Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on pop radio ships, Radio Luxembourg and other stations by Jon Sketchley, G4DCE. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Tuesday 8 November Mid-Warwickshire Amateur Radio Society is having a video evening with Roy, G8XDL. Details from Don, G4CYG, on 01926 424 465.

On Tuesday 8 November Worcester Radio Amateurs Association is having a BBQ and RF night at Hallow Scout Hut. Details from Rich Moles, M0UVA, via email to secretary@m0zoo.co.uk.

On Tuesday 8 November Wythall Radio Club is holding a committee meeting. Details from Colin, M0GJM, on 07598 540 507. On Wednesday 9 November Midland Amateur Radio Society is having a committee meeting. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003.

On Wednesday 9 November Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by M0FHM on visiting Eastern Europe. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday 10 November Salop Amateur Radio Society is having a talk. Details on the club website at www.salop-ars.org.uk.

On Thursday 10 November South Birmingham Radio Society is having training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Thursday 10 November Tamworth Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on ununs and aerials by Simon Poyser, M0GSR, from Snowdonia Radio Company. Bob, G1BCZ, g1bcz@btinternet.com

On Friday 11 November Coventry Amateur Radio Society is holding its great egg race. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

On Friday 11 November South Birmingham Radio Society is having a construction evening. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Saturday 12 November Wythall Radio Club is taking part in the 160m Club Call Contest. Details from Colin, M0GJM, on 07598 540 507.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND On Monday 7 November Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is holding its AGM. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Monday 7 November Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having a talk and open forum on the RSGB situation led by the Region 4 RSGB Rep Harold Scrivens, G0UGE. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 7 November Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. More information from J Duddington, G4BFH, on 01253 853

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On Tuesday 8 November Chester & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. Details from Barbara Green on 07957 870 770.

On Tuesday 8 November Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air, testing the new aerial and continuing the Foundation and Intermediate training courses. Contact Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341 317.

On Wednesday 9 November Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is having a club night and participating in the Club 80m Sprint SSB contest. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Thursday 10 November Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is experimenting with locating hostelries using ARDF. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 07876 085 631. On Thursday 10 November South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having a debate on the value of the RSGB. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Saturday 12 November Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the Club Calls contest. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND No news items have been received for Northern Ireland this week.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Monday 7 November Borders Amateur Radio Society commences its Foundation course. Details from MM0YLG on 07944 912 751.

On Tuesday 8 November Kilmarnock & Loudoun Amateur Radio Club is having a club night. Contact Graham, MM3GDC, by email to mm3gdc@btinternet.com.

On Tuesday 8 November Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having an operating evening. Details from Norman, on 07740 946 192.

On Wednesday 9 November Ayr Amateur Radio Group is having a presentation on antennas for small gardens. Details from Tom Ferguson, GM1OST, on 01292 532 088.

On Wednesday 9 November Lothians Radio Society is having a talk on how the global positioning satellite system works by Andy Sinclair, GM7HUD. Contact Andy Sinclair, by email to secretary@lothiansradiosociety.com.

On Thursday 10 November Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is having a talk. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663.

On Friday 11 November Borders Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on soldering by Sandy Weddell, GM1JJF. Details from MM0YLG, on 07944 912 751.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA On Sunday 6 November Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is having a breakfast meeting at the Goring Cafe. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816 684.

On Monday 7 November Braintree & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a junk sale. For more information contact John, M5AJB, on 01787 460 947.

On Monday 7 November Burnham Beeches Radio Club is working on its construction project. Contact Dave, G4XDU, on 01628 625 720. On Monday 7 November East Kent Radio Society is having a talk on trapped dipoles by George, G3NIR. Details from Karl Davies, M1DFM, on 01227 710 120.

On Monday 7 November Southdown Amateur Radio Society is holding its Christmas dinner at the Toby. Details from John, G3DQY, on 01424 424 319.

On Monday 7 November Surrey Radio Contact Club is having a talk. Contact John, G3MCX, on 02086 883 322.

On Tuesday 8 November Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Wednesday 9 November Fareham & District Amateur Radio Club is holding an inter-club quiz, to which all local clubs are invited. More information from Derek Clarkson, G4JLP, on 01329 823 405.

On Wednesday 9 November Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the RSGB 80m Club Sprint CW contest plus having an informal, construction and shack evening. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Wednesday 9 November Southgate Amateur Radio Club is holding its autumn junk sale. Contact David Sharp, M0XDS, by email to david.sharp1@tesco.net.

On Wednesday 9 November Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is having a discussion evening. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816 684.

On Thursday 10 November Bittern DX Group is having an informal meeting at Pinewood Park Leisure Club, NR26 8TU. Details from Linda, G0AJJ, on 01692 404 154.

On Thursday 10 November Echelford Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by Roger Western, G3SXW on his quick trip to Hungary, Montenegro & Albania. Contact John, G4GSC, on 01784 451 898.

On Thursday 10 November Edgware & District Radio Society is having short talks by members. More information from Mike, G4RNW, on 02089 500 658.

On Thursday 10 November Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a club night at the shack. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564 242.

On Thursday 10 November Reading & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its construction contest, hosted by Robin Caine, G4IWS. Details from Pete, G8FRC, on 01189 695 697.

On Friday 11 November Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having an introduction to time domain reflectometry by Mike, M0BLP. Contact Ron, G3KBR, on 01223 501 712.

On Friday 11 November Itchen Valley Amateur Radio Club A DXpedition presentation. Details from Liz, M0ACL, on 02380 254 599.

On Friday 11 November Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a radio night and construction contest. Contact Peter, G4AKG, on 01444 239 371.

On Friday 11 November Radio Society of Harrow is having a talk and demo of the Rig Blaster Pro. More information from Linda, G7RJL, on 02083 868 586. On Friday 11 November Wimbledon & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a discussion on licence training. Contact Andrew Maish, G4ADM, on 02083 353 434.

On Saturday 12 November Newbury & District Amateur Radio Society is taking part in the RSGB Club Calls contest. Contact Rob, G4LMW, on 01635 862 737.

On Saturday 12 November Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is participating in the RSGB Club Calls contest. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST On Tuesday 8 November Mid Somerset Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by Roger Davis on his career in the RAF and the BBC. Contact Nick, M6NJB, on 01749 346 320.

On Tuesday 8 November Plymouth Radio Club is allocating jobs for the rally. Details from Chris, M0ZCP, on 07834 767 161.

On Tuesday 8 November Poldhu Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on measuring VHF and UHF beam radiation patterns using Polarplot by Keith Holland, G3MCD. Details online at www.gb2gm.org.

On Wednesday 9 November Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Thursday 10 November Newquay and District Amateur Radio Society is having a presentation by RSGB Regional Manager Pam Helliwell on the proposed changes to the RSGB. The presentation will begin at 7.30pm at Treviglas School, Newquay. Members of other clubs are welcome to attend.

On Thursday 10 November South Bristol Amateur Radio Club starts its Christmas raffle. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

On Thursday 10 November Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having an activity night. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Thursday 10 November Yeovil Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on how to make radio equipment by G3MYM. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk.

On Friday 11 November North Bristol Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on HF loops by Chris, G0AQL & Charles, G4JQX. More information from Dick on 01454 218 362.

On Friday 11 November Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES On Monday 7 November Dragon Amateur Radio Club is holding a discussion night. More information from Stewart Rolfe, GW0ETF, on 07833 620 733.

On Thursday 10 November Aberystwyth & District Amateur Radio Society is visiting the Museum of Power at Sarnau near Cardigan. Details from Ray, GW7AGG, on 01970 611 853.

On Friday 11 November Newport Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on how to connect, set up and operate a linear amp by Ross, GW3NWS. More information from Ross Clare, GW3NWS, on 01633 880146.

1062. NZART Headquarters Infoline issue 241

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-05 13:45:56 UTC
From: "ZL1AMW (infoline)" <infoline@nzart.org.nz>
Message-ID: <BEAFB8E378184EDDA45CB0BF1D2A48C6@AlanLaptop>
Source record: 3902
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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06 November 2011
NZART Website: www.nzart.org.nz

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>From the desk of HQ

Remit time…Well as we are officially on the countdown to Christmas being only 7 weeks away and only 8 weeks until the end of the year, it’s time for all branches and members to formulate any remits they wish to submit to the AGM in Nelson next year.

Council require these for pre-approval by February 2012, therefore the cut off for any submission is the 31st December 2011.

If you or your branch requires the criteria on how to write a remit, please contact me and I will forward the policy.

Officer reappointments…The new Council liaison Stephen Hayman ZL1TPH has now forwarded, via e-mail, NZART Officer appointments. If you have received this letter, can you please complete it and send back to Stephen before 31 December 2011. If there is anyone who does not currently hold such a position within NZART and would be interested in volunteering please contact me and I will forward to Stephen.

There are 33 positions which are required to be filled, a list of these can be found on the NZART web page, together with the name of the current officer. All officers do a fantastic job and many are seeking deputies to assist them in their roles, so this may be an opportunity for you to step in and see if you can help.

HQ Info-line articles…A very gentle but firm reminder, if you want anything included in HQ Info-line, you MUST send it to me by the Friday prior to production. If you are unsure of the dates that it’s due out, they can be found on the NZART web page.

I regret I have no information on any branch activities or contests, that may need to be communicated to the wider membership, however I cannot print what I don’t receive.

Talk soon…Debby ZL2DL

Report from the ALO

Proposed Changes that Affect the 130 to 190 kHz Amateur Band

The MED is proposing to increase the power short range devices are allowed

to use in the 9-190 kHz band.

In particular, they are proposing a power increase from -20 dBW (43 dBµA/m

@10m) to 3 dBW (66 dBµA/m @10m) over the band 119 – 135 kHz – the top end of

which overlaps the lower end of our 130 to 190 kHz Amateur Band.

Details of the proposal can found at

www.rsm.govt.nz/cms/policy-and-planning/projects/proposed-power-increase-for-short-range-devices

NZART is proposing to put in a submission on this proposal. If you would

like to contribute to this, please send an email to the NZART Administration

Officer, (Don Wallace, ZL2TLL) at nzart@wallace.gen.nz expressing your

interest and any views you have (positive or negative) on the MED’s

proposal.

IARU JARL news

Please note that JARL appointed a new President and Vice President as follows effective on 1st November 2011. President: Akira Inage, JA5MGVice President: Kazuo Niwa, JA1AYOVice President: Norimasa Nemoto, JH1UBU JARL would like to thank you for your friendship shown to our former president Shozo Hara, JA1AN and to appreciate your unchanged friendship to be maintained with our new president Akira Inage, JA5MG. 73 de JARL InternationalKen Yamamoto/JA1CJP

FMTAG Report

REPEATER/BEACON/LINK LICENCE RENEWAL

The majority of Repeater, Beacon and Link Licences are due for renewal during November. The following Branches and Groups have been contacted, to remind them of the need to renew licences before the end of November, to avoid licence cancellation by the MED:

03 Western Suburbs 05
Christchurch

08 Eastern Southland 11
Gisborne

22 Marlborough 23
Marton

24 Motueka
26 Nelson

28 Whangarei
29 North Shore

33 Rotorua
34 South Canterbury

35 South Otago 37
Southland

38 Taumarunui 42
Titahi Bay

46 Wairarapa
48 Wanganui

49 Westland
51 Eastern Bay of Plenty

55 Waitomo
56 Christchurch West

60 Taupo
61 Central Otago

64 North Otago
66 Auckland VHF

67 Kawerau
68 North Canterbury

69 Kapiti
78 Far North

82 Southern Wairarapa
84 Bay of Islands

85 Mercury Bay
86 Suburban

87 South Taranaki
CARDS

Auckland AREC

Please contact FMTAG if the Branch has not received the reminder message:

fmtag@nzart.org.nz

New Zealand Amateur Radio Day 2012

This will be held on March the 10th from 1000 to 1400 hours.

Branches are encouraged to set up a station in a prominent area in their local community, and to make contact with other NZARD stations and home stations. Make sure you seek the appropriate permissions to establish a station, with the council or businesses as appropriate.

Media inclusion is to be encouraged. Be sure to have pamphlets at hand. Contact NZART HQ for pamphlets.

A good idea is to have some hams operating equipment, and other hams available to talk to public and explain what amateur radio is and our place in the community, and how easy it is to get an amateur licence. After the event follow up with anyone that showed interest, and assist them with gaining their amateur licence.

The purpose of NZARD is twofold. To expose our hobby to the community and to prospect for potential amateur operators.

Please take photos and write a short activity report, and submit to Breakin for publication.

Any questions please send to Warren ZL2AJ at warren@zl2aj.com or 021-649284

Housekeeping

1.. Break-In-Closing Date Reminder: Copy for the Jan/February 2012 issue of Break-In-closes on 10 January 2012.
2.. Copy for Break-In: Copy is welcome in most electronic formats but word.doc files are preferred. Photos and other graphics should be send as separate discrete files (*.jpg preferred); not as embedded pix in the body of the text. Please ensure that suitable descriptive captions/legends are included with your copy.
All received copy will be acknowledged to confirm receipt.
Thank you for your cooperation.
John Walker ZL3IB Editor.
3.. Break-In: Early receipt of copy is much appreciated
4.. Break-In-AREC Column: The close-of-copy date is the 5 January 2012 for articles for publication in the AREC COLUMN OF BREAK-IN. Photos, if available, to be on a separate floppy or CD (with captions), posted DIRECTLY TO US. Use the Call Book address. All other material can go to e-mail:

zl3qr@nzart.org.nz or zl3ov@nzart.org.nz
5.. The ARRL and WIA Weekly News
6.. Subscribe TO/FROM Infoline
Next NZART Official Broadcast is on SUNDAY 30th October 2011 and Next HQ-Infoline e-mailed on SUNDAY 20th November 2011.

Branch 86

Equipment & junk sale

Saturday November 19th 2011 Musick memorial radio station

Bucklands beach auckland

Sellers from 9 am

Buyers from 10 am

Sellers - car boot - $5

Special this year

Buy in bulk

A wide variety of miscellaneous items from the garage - $1 per kilo

All other items, prices as marked

1063. National EAS Test - Wed., November 9, 2011 - 1:00 PM Central

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-05 13:48:07 UTC
From: ARRL Members Only Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20111104230300.08BCC21037@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 3903
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

FEMA, in coordination with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), will conduct the first nationwide Emergency Alert System (EAS) Test on Wednesday, November 9, at 1:00 p.m. Central. Participating analog and digital radio, television, cable, satellite, and wireline providers will broadcast a single, live-code alert, called the Emergency Action Notification, which will be relayed to the public and stations in their coverage area. The purpose of the test is to assess the reliability and effectiveness of the EAS as a public alert mechanism.

For more information about the EAS test, see:
http://www.fema.gov/emergency/ipaws/eas_info.shtm
http://www.fcc.gov/encyclopedia/emergency-alert-system-nationwide-test

The FCC and FEMA are recommending stations run Public Service Announcements reminding the public that the EAS announcement on Wednesday, November 9, at 1:00 PM Central is only a test.

ARRL Midwest Division
Director: Cliff Ahrens, K0CA
k0ca@arrl.org

1064. SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 06 NOVEMBER 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-05 23:00:18 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <20111105230006.9B25133C93@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3904
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 06 NOVEMBER 2011

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. PLEASE NOTE: for audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 and 3,695 MHz SSB.

SILENT KEY

It is with deep regret that it must be announced that the key of Donald John Mackay, ZS6YD, went silent on Friday 12 August 2011 at the age of 78.

We extend our sincere condolences to his family and friends.

(PAUSE)

In the news today:

INTECNET HOSTED A LIVELY DEBATE ON A POSSIBLE ADVANCED LICENSE

LOGBOOK OF THE WORLD IS EXPERIENCING DELAYS

HUGE SUNSPOT IS CAUSING SOLAR FLARES

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting news items.

INTECNET HOSTED A LIVELY DEBATE ON A POSSIBLE ADVANCED LICENSE

The debate on an advanced amateur radio license held on the INTECNET last Sunday was lively and informative. The discussion was part of the SARL's process to get members' input of how they view the idea, what such a license should like look like and what would be required to qualify should such a license be introduced in the future.

The main question was "what would the purpose be of such a license?" Several ideas were suggested which can perhaps be best summed up by Peter Hers, ZS6PHD's contribution to the discussion. He suggested that the main objective of such a license could be "to stimulate a climate

of learning and development amongst Radio Amateurs in South Africa". The recording of the discussion will be analysed and a summary will be published in the next few weeks for further comments.

The question of increased power was discussed by several participants. While the concept of a higher level license is not about higher power, the possibility that such a requirement could be identified, is not excluded.

Your input and suggestions are invited. Send an Email to artoday@sarl.org.za .

LOGBOOK OF THE WORLD IS EXPERIENCING DELAYS

Due to a large number of radio amateurs uploading their logs to Logbook of The World (LoTW) after last weekend's CQ Worldwide SSB Contest, the ARRL's online QSL verification service is experiencing delays. According to ARRL IT Manager Michael Keane, K1MK, there is about a 60 hour wait for the more than 10,000 logs in the queue to be processed. "Logs are processed in the order in which they were received," he explained. "If you have uploaded your log to LoTW, your log is currently queued for processing. It has not been lost in the system. Uploading your log multiple times will only further delay your log and those of others to be processed."

HUGE SUNSPOT IS CAUSING SOLAR FLARES

Spaceweather.com reported on Thursday that a huge sunspot had appeared and that some ionospheric disturbances could be expected. Yesterday NOAA forecasters have upgraded the chance of X-class solar flares to 20%. The source would be AR1339, one of the biggest sunspots in many years. The active region rotated over the sun's eastern limb two days ago and now it is turning toward Earth.

The sunspot unleashed an X-flare on 3 November around 20:27 UTC. The flare created waves of ionisation in Earth's upper atmosphere, altering the normal propagation of radio waves over Europe and the Americas. In Ireland, the flare's effect was felt even after dark.

A cloud of plasma or "CME" raced away from the blast site at 1 100 km per second. The CME is not heading for Earth. It is, however, heading for Mercury and Venus. For updates visit www.spaceweather.com.

CALL FOR PAPERS

This is the first call for papers for presentation at the SARL Radio Technology symposiums to be held in Cape Town, Port Elizabeth, Durban and Johannesburg during 2012. Papers should be of a technical or operational nature and of interest to radio amateurs.

Send a synopsis of a proposed paper to artoday@sarl.org.za. Of interest would be papers on DXing and contesting, antenna design and construction and software application in amateur radio to mention some.

CONTEST NEWS

RESULTS OF THE SARL QRP CONTEST HELD ON 22 OCTOBER 2011

The contest committee received 13 logs. Information from those logs reveal that there were 63 stations on the air. Of these, 19 stations operated both SSB and CW. There were even 2 cross-mode QSOs made which is probably a first time that this has occurred.

The results are: 1st ZS6RJ - Roger 880 points 2nd ZS6XT - Pieter 648 points 3rd ZS3R - Christo 560 points 4th ZS2J - Derek 552 points 5th ZS6ARQ - Romeo 450 points

The overall results after the 4 legs of the contest are:

1st ZS6A - Pierre 2 682 points 2nd ZS6XT - Pieter 2 132 points 3rd ZS2J - Derek 1 577 points 4th ZS6WR - West Rand ARC 1 386 points

The full results have been posted on the SARL forum and will also appear in HF Happenings.

Thanks to all the participants, but, next time will all please submit their logs and congratulations to the winners.

CLUB NEWS

NIGHTLY NETS ON 144 MHz

VHF amateurs in Port Elizabeth have restarted their nightly nets on 144 MHz to encourage more VHF activity in the country and to give beginners a taste of VHF simplex operation. The nets are divided into two sessions; first session is on FM for those who are only equipped for the FM mode, and it could cover distances of about 400 km during very good conditions; the second session is intended for long distance tests on SSB but CW could be tried too. Amateurs will be active on most nights especially when conditions are favourable, and please note that horizontal polarization will be used. Tropo propagation produces the best results on the 144 MHz VHF band especially at night during the warmer months.

The complete schedule is as follows: 19:00 - 19:30 CAT on 144,400 MHz FM beaming west to Mossel Bay area, and 19:30 - 20:00 CAT beaming northeast to the East London area. At 20:00 CAT the frequency is changed to 144,200 MHz USB and the beams are pointing northwards to cover Bloemfontein, Durban or beyond.

VHF and the frequencies above are the experimental and most challenging side of the amateur radio service; the future spectrum of all radio communications.

AWA OPEN DAY

The Southern African Antique Wireless Association will be having an open day and AGM at the Transvaal Aviation Centre (TAC) at Rand Airport on Saturday 12 November from 10:00 the morning.

All interested parties and members are invited to join us for a fun day with radio displays, flea market, restaurant facilities and Cash Bar.

Contact Andy, ZS6ADY, should you require details or directions. Contact details are: 082 448 4368 or andyzs6ady@vodamail.co.za.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the largest sunspot in years is rotating over the sun's north eastern limb. Two or three of the sunspot's dark cores are wider than Earth itself. Naturally such a large sunspot has potential for strong flares.

For the people doing their own frequency predictions the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 108, a new high for this solar cycle.

All the bands from 20 m to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with the higher bands typically opening first and the lower bands opening later during the day. 6 m is also waking up with some very nice TEP openings.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

13 November - AWA open day at the Rand Airport starting at 10:00. 13 November - Pears HF Competition 12:00 till 16:00 UTC. 19/20 November - SARL Field day competition. 20 November - CW leg of 80 m Club competition. 27 November - Digital competition. 30 November - last day to submit logs for Pears HF DX-expedition. 31 January 2012 - Last day for submission of nominations for Council members and also for submission of motions for the 2012 SARL AGM. 31 January 2012 - Closing date for submitting papers for SA AMSAT Space Symposium.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 16:30 UTC on 4 895 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by George, Z6SNE.

Thank you for listening, 73.
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========== Message Ends ========== To edit or

remove your entry from this mailing list go to
www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp.

1065. NZART Headquarters Infoline issue 241- Addendum

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-06 05:59:57 UTC
From: "ZL1AMW (infoline)" <infoline@nzart.org.nz>
Message-ID: <D11C670AAC7A4B199FA1A6E1B315ECC7@AlanLaptop>
Source record: 3905
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ADDENDUM

Oops..

It looks like we managed to lose a vital section of the FMTAG report for this issue of Infoline…. so… here is the missing item (our apologies to the FMTAG team):

PROPOSALS

Reefton-Buller Branch 62 has applied for a 2-metre repeater at Millerton, located at Topo50 BR21 049901. The repeater transmit frequency will be 146.750 MHz and receive frequency 146.150 MHz.

Reefton-Buller Branch 62 has applied for a 2-metre APRS digipeater at Denniston, located at Topo50 BR21 003782. The digipeater transmit and receive frequency will be 144.575 MHz.

Reefton-Buller Branch 62 has applied for a National System UHF Link Station (ULS) at Denniston, located at Topo50 BR21 003782, to link to the Murchison National System station. The ULS transmit frequency will be 439.950 MHz and receive frequency 434.950 MHz.

Reefton-Buller Branch 62 has applied for a National System Repeater at Denniston, located at Topo50 BR21 003782. The repeater transmit frequency will be 439.975 MHz and receive frequency 434.975 MHz, in accordance with the National System Frequency Plan.

Engineering investigations, in accordance with MED PIB38, confirm that the above four stations will not interfere with other stations.

FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS TO COUNCIL

At its November meeting, NZART Council approved the following application, which can now proceed to licensing.

The Auckland VHF Group, Branch 66, has applied for a 850 repeater at North Head, located at TOPO50 BA32 616227. The repeater transmit frequency will be 438.500 MHz and its receive frequency will be 433.500 MHz.

COMMENTS AND APPLICATIONS

Please send your comments and suggestions on the above matters, and on any other FMTAG matters, by e-mail to: fmtag@nzart.org.nz

Applications for repeaters, beacons, digipeaters, point-to-point links, and so on, should be made on the latest version of FMTAG Form 10. The latest versions of FMTAG Form 10, and the explanatory Form 10A, are available on the NZART web site:

http://www.nzart.org.nz/fmtag/index.html

Completed forms should be sent by e-mail to fmtag@nzart.org.nz

1066. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1035

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-06 19:19:48 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <68199.32120.qm@smtp103.sbc.mail.gq1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 3906
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1035
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The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Bulletin No. 1035
BID: $OPDX.1035
November 7, 2011
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 30th-October, through Sunday, 6th-November there were 244 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3D2/r, 3V, 3W, 3X, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4W, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5U, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, CY0, D2, D4, D6, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HC8, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, R1FJ, S0, S5, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T2, T32, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VK9C, VP2E, VP2M, VP5, VP6, VP8, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZK2, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3D2 AND T2 (News Flash). Bill, VK4FW, sent out the following on November 3rd: "Over the last several weeks, as many would know, there have been

numerous problems on some Pacific Islands with water shortages. When we came to Fiji we immediately saw the necessary persons to get assurance that all our equipment would be able to go to Tuvulu. We were assured as best we could get, and told to come back on November 1 to book it all in. Well, that day came and MURPHY struck yet again..... Because of major back logs of very urgent freight (especially water) there are some 600kgs currently waiting to go. This continually rises daily. We immediately searched for shipping by boat with no joy, then tried to charter a vessel and again with no joy. So here is what will now take place..... All operators are permitted just 23kgs of luggage and nil oversize so we will take as many antennas as possible and 2 only complete Elecraft K3 and KPA500 stations. If there are any positive changes then we will, of course, send more equipment as it is all in Fiji with us. We would request the DX community have patience and try to understand that we have absolutely no choice unless we cancel the operation totally. Meantime 3D2A by Eddie, VK4AN, did a Single-Op/Low-Power 10m in the CQWW with some 2822 QSOs. We have also amassed over 5,500 QSOs as 3D2T. Eric, VK4NEF, arrived today so that gives us 3 ops to continue here. We have been very surprised at the 10m openings, but extremely disappointed with nil on 160m and very little on 80m......Cheers"

5Z, KENYA. Sig, NV7E/ZS6SIG, who has relocated from Pretoria, South Africa, to Nairobi, Kenya, is signing 5Z4EE for about the next three years. Sig announced this past week that he will once again be in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. Activity outside of the contests will be on all bands 160-10 meters. QSL via NV7E or at the address shown for 5Z4EE on QRZ.com.

9G, GHANA. Mark, W8MP, is an airline pilot who travels periodically to Accra for 1-4 days at a time and plans to be active as 9G5MP. He states that the radio and antenna is limited to what he can get in his suitcase, which goes on the flight deck as a carry on and is not checked. Mark is thinking about getting a Yaesu FT-817 or an Icom 7000 and use a dipole. Operations will be sporadic based on when he has a layover in Ghana, and usually he only knows a day or two in advance. Mark mentions that he is also attempting to set up a permanent station in Accra for any visiting or local ham to use. He states, "It is a distant vision, but it is supported by Mr. Joseph Codjoe, the Chief Manager of Broadcasting at the National Communications Authority. My thanks to Mr. Codjoe for making the license 9G5MP possible." QSL via his home callsign. LAST MINUTE UPDATE BEFORE GOING TO PRINT: Sunday afternoon, Mark informed OPDX that he is now in Accra and is about to leave in a few hours. He states, "I finally received the hard copy of my license yesterday in person, so I am officially 9G5MP. I tried to borrow a radio from 9G1RQ, but it won't work for this trip. I haven't figured out how to pull off actually operating from Ghana due to my severe limitations of only being able to bring things in my 'carry on' suitcase. That is everything I need to operate, as well as my normal airline stuff. It needs to pass through security screening, which leaves out tools or anything really odd. And of course, I need to bring a laptop. Easy to run out of room. I am open to any suggestions from you or any readers of the newsletter. I usually

sit in Ghana with literally nothing else to do. It would be a privilege to give out 9G in any mode or band possible, given my limitations. Electricity here is 230v 50hz with an odd plug, so power is yet another challenge. The 6 story hotel does not have windows that open (due to mosquitoes and the threat of malaria), but there are some trees near the pool area I can probably sit near. Or I can operate from inside my hotel room. Basic story is 'Have license, can travel, only lacking Small radio or Antenna...' Any thoughts?" If you have any ideas to help Mark, you can E-mail him at: w8mp@arrl.net

A3, TONGA. Sigi, DL7DF, will head up a team of 9 experienced operators to be active as A35YZ between March 7-24th, 2012. Operators menitoned are Manfred/DK1BT, Georg/DK7LX, Wolf/DL4WK, Reiner/DL7KL, Sigi/DL7DF, Juergen/DL7UFN, Frank/DL7UFR, Jan/SP3CYY and Leszek/SP3DOI. Activity will be active on 160-6 meters using several station operating on CW, SSB with one station exclusively dedicated to RTTY, PSK31 and SSTV. QSL via DL7DF, direct or by the Bureau.

A6, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES. Ulli, DL9WVM, informs OPDX that he is going to fly to Dubai again Friday, November 4th, and will arrive on November 5th. This will be his 5th stay in The Emirates this year, and he plans to stay for 3 weeks. He will visit again with his children in Mirdif/Dubai. Ulli states that he will not be as active as his previous stays but has to work for his company in Germany, remotely. He will set up his station on Saturday, November 5th, and first use the already erected 3 band ground plane (10/15/20 meters) antenna. On Sunday, Ulli, plans to install a 7 band windom antenna (about 20 meters above the ground) and will be fully operational then. Even though his activity will be restricted by his job and family duties, he will concentrate on 10 and 12 meters. QSLs via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct. QSLs will be answered immediately and cards are already printed. ADDED NOTE: Ulli has already made plans to go to UAE again for March/April 2012 (flights are already booked).

ANTARCTICA 2012 CALENDAR. Mike, GM0HCQ, reports to the WAP that an Antarctica 2012 calendar is now available via the following Web links:
http://www.gm0hcq.com
http://www.lulu.com/commerce/index.php?fBuyContent=11782579

AH2, GUAM. Akira, JR1VAY, will be active as AH2J from Guam (OC-026, USI GU003S, WFF KFF-110, WLOTA 0064) between November 11-14th. Activity will include entries in the JIDX SSB and WAE-RTTY Contests. QSL via JR1VAY by the JARL Bureau.

CR2, AZORES. Toni, OH2UA, will be active as CR2X from Ribeira Grande during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via OH2BH. For more details, visit the Web page at: http://www.cu2a.com

CY0, SABLE ISLAND (Update). Operators Murray/WA4DAN, Ron/AA4VK and Jeff/N1SNB are planning a DXpedition to Sable Island between December 28th and January 6th (2012). These dates may shift a day or so due to weather and flight conditions. The group has already received permission to visit

Sable Island from the Canadian Coast Guard and have chartered the flights with Maritime Air operating out of Halifax, Nova Scotia. This DXpedition has been in the planning stage for almost three years. Operation will be on 160-10 meters using CW and SSB. Special emphasis will be made for 10 meters. They hope to be able to have two stations simultaneously operating on 10 meters at peak times. Updated information will be available on their Web site at: http://www.cy0dxpedition.com

D4, CAPE VERDE. Luca, IK2NCJ, is expected to be active as D44TAL from Sao Vicente Island (AF-086). Activity will be on the HF bands. QSL via IZ4DPV.

E5, NORTH COOK ISLANDS. Bill, N7OU, who is currently active as E51NOU from Rarotonga Island (OC-013, WFF E5FF-002), South Cook Islands, informs OPDX that his flight to Manihiki, North Cook Islands, has been delayed. He states, "I won't be up there until the end of the week, maybe on November 10-11th, or later. I'll be operating on 160-10m, CW only, 500w to verticals, with my focus on Europe. My Manihiki, N. Cook Islands, callsign will be E51MAN. Before and after my N. Cook Islands operation, I'll be signing E51NOU from Rarotonga, S. Cook Islands." QSL via N7OU.

EA6, BALEARIC ISLAND. Julio, EA3AIR, will be active as EA6URA (formerly EA6IB) from Ibiza Island during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-29th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (10m)/Assisted entry. QSL via EA3AIR, by the Bureau, LoTW or direct to: Julio Isa Garcia, Carrenca 25, 08017 BARCELONA, Spain.

ET3, ETHIOPIA. Operators Krassy/K1LZ, David/K3LP, Al/K3VN and Paul/N6PSE will be in Addis Ababa between December 8-13th, and plan to activate the ET3AA club station. The goals of their trip is to install antennas at the Addis Ababa University, administer VE Ham Radio Examinations and the creation of the "University of Addis Ababa - Technology Incubation Program (TIP)". For the complete details, see:
http://www.k3lp.com/et3aa_december_2011.htm
The ET3AA DXpedition team's operating goals from the club station are as follows: Krassy/K1LZ will operate as ET3AA on 80/40 meters, and David/K3LP will operate as ET3AA on 160/30 meters, during the evening to early morning hours (local time 7:00 PM to 7:00 AM). Operators Al/K3VN and Paul/N6PSE will operate during the day and early morning hours on all the other bands using SSB using the ET3SID callsign (from Sid's QTH) and ET3AA from the university's club station.

HB9, SWITZERLAND (Special Event). Team HB9ON Radio Group is pleased to announce the celebration of the life of Steve Jobs, Apple founder, and will activate HB9STEVE throughout the month of November 2011. Commemoration operations will occur sporadically and will be mostly on CW, but with some SSB. QSL via LoTW and GLOBALQSL or direct to HB9DHG. See details on QRZ.com.

HK0NA MALPELO ISLAND 2012 DXPEDITION (Update). Operators Sal/HK1T, Jorge/HK1R and Faber/HK6F went on a reconnaissance trip to Malpelo Island between October 23-30th. They did this to prepare for their

January 2012 DXpedition. Read a short written summary of their observations and see the pictures of what they saw and did on the island at: http://hk0na.com/hk0na-reconnaissance-trip-oct-2330
Also, the followinga press release was sent out on November 2nd:
"Three members of the Malpelo 2012 team have just completed a seven day reconnaissance visit to Malpelo..... This will be a very demanding DXpedition for several reasons. The terrain is particularly difficult, near vertical at times. And in order to have a clear radio view of Asia, the Pacific region and W6/W7; it will be necessary to locate operating site(s) and antennas at the top of the mountain. This further complicates the difficulties and physical risks to the team.
Team members vary in age from 25 to 73. But under the leadership and constant urging of our team's medical doctors, K9SG and W0GJ, we have all embarked on a physical training regimen. We should all be ready for the challenges come early 2012.
Three members of the team K4UEE, N4GRN and W6IZT will travel to Colombia Nov. 5-8th, for a planning meeting with team leader, Jorge, HK1R, and other team members. The purpose of the meeting is to review all the checklists and responsibilities for each team member. With the information gained on the recent reconnaissance visit, decisions can be finalized concerning camp/operating sites, antenna types and placement, safety measures and other critical decisions necessary to the ultimate success for the DXpedition.
One critical decision to be made concerns the duration of the operation. We have permission to stay on site for 17 days versus the 14 days now planned. We will be reviewing the DXpedition budget to determine if we can afford the extra 15,000 USDs expense for 3 additional days.
Contributions are gratefully accepted at: www.hk0na.com/sponsors
We plan periodic press releases with information of interest. Also, watch the website for breaking news.

Thanks,
Jorge Prieto, HK1R, DXpedition leader
Bob Allphin, K4UEE-co-leader
Gregg Marco, W6IZT-co-leader"

IOTA NEWS.............
NA-169. Operators Yuri/N3QQ and Johnny/KE7V were expected to be active as homecall/p from Waadah Island this past weekend, depending on the weather, and if they could receive permission from the Makah Tribal Council. They planned to be on 80-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via N7RO.

NA-240. (NEW IOTA!) Members of the Russian Robinson Club (RRC) and support of the Bethel Amateur Radio Club (BARK) will activate the last new IOTA in Alaska in the Bethel County IOTA Group around January 5-8th, 2012 (depending on weather and transportation availability). The group's main reason for this winter activation is to help jump start the RSGB IOTA Marathon.
See details at: http://www.rsgbiota.org/marathon/index.php
The current team members are: Yuri N3QQ, Tim/NL8F, Alex/RW3RN

and Yuri/UA9OBA. QSL via UA9OBA (Europe/Russia) and N7RO.
For more details and updates, see: http://www.na-234.com

SA-088. Operators Marcelo/PP5BK, Fabio/PP5BZ, Edson/PP5VK, Roni/PP5ZB,
Jose/PU5ATX and Claudio/PY3OZ will be active as PS5F from
Santana de Fora Island (Ilha Santana de Fora) between February
3-6th, 2012, sea conditions permitting. Activity will be on
40-6 meters using mainly CW and SSB. QSL via PP5BZ.

J7, DOMINICA. Mike, VE2XB, will be active as J79XB from Dominica (NA-101)
starting January 5th (2012) for several weeks. Activity will be holiday
style on all bands 160-10 meters and possibly 6m if there are openings.
He states that he will be concentrating a bit more on 80/40/30 meters and
of course the other bands including 17/12 meters as conditions allow.
QSL via VE2XB (see QRZ.com for address and details) with SASE and CDN
stamps or 2 IRCs or 2 greenbacks. The postal rates have gone up, so take
that into consideration before you send your QSL card.

KH3, JOHNSTON ISLAND. OPDX has been informed by Susan, W7KFI, that she
has finally received permission from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
(USFWS) on November 1st, to land on Johnston Atoll between November or
December of this year. However, Susan tells OPDX that she would like to
sail there now during "the month of January (late)/early February for
arrival, and with an extension to 10 days." For those who do not know
about Susan -- she is a 76 year old grandmother (her birthday was this
past Friday) who like to operate ham radio and is the Skipper of her own
sailboat called "USSV DHARMA". Check out her Web page at: http://w7kfi.com
Susan told OPDX that she will be sailing alone on this trip. Activity
will be on 40-6 meters and operating CW and SSB, and also RTTY/PACTOR/PSK31
possibly on request. She mentions to us to look for her on 36 kHz above
the lower edge of general bands (Suggested frequencies mentioned 14036,
14236, 18090, 18146, 21036, 21286, 28036 and 28450 kHz). Susan also
states that she will "only answer full callsigns....no one else. Period."
Her radios are an FT847, IC718 and a K3. She states, "Remember, I am
spending a large portion of my social security to do this trip." QSL via
KH6CG, direct or by the Bureau.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (November 7-13th)....
Nov/07th AN Nov/10th AN Nov/12th HN
Nov/08th AN Nov/11th HN Nov/13th HN
Nov/09th AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY	GEOMAG K Values	Alpha
AN - Above Normal	Quiet K=0-1	0-7
HN - High Normal	Unsettled K=2	8-15
LN - Low Normal	Active K=3	16-29
BN - Below Normal	Minor Storm K=4	30-49
DIS - Disturbed	Major Storm K=5	50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed	Severe Storm K=6-9	100-400

LOTW EXPERIENCING DELAYS. The ARRL Web page reported on November 1st: "Due to a large number of radio amateurs uploading their logs to Logbook of The World (LoTW) after last weekend's CQ Worldwide SSB Contest, the ARRL's online QSL verification service is experiencing delays. According to ARRL IT Department Manager Michael Keane, K1MK, there is about a 33 hour wait for logs to be processed. 'Logs are processed in the order in which they were received,' he explained. 'If you have uploaded your log to LoTW, your log is currently queued for processing. It has not been lost in the system. Uploading your log multiple times will only further delay your log and those of others to be processed.'"
THEN ON NOVEMBER 4TH, they report: "The log processing delay for Logbook of The World (LoTW) remains at approximately 60 hours, with approximately 8000 logs queued for processing. PLEASE DO NOT UPLOAD THE SAME LOG MORE THAN ONCE. According to ARRL IT Manager Michael Keane, K1MK, the League has implemented an interim 'fast lane' for processing logs: 'In order to do this, resources have been shifted from servicing interactive requests to the processing of logs. As a result, LoTW users may notice some sluggish performance. Since these changes have been put into place, the number of logs waiting to be processed has been reduced by approximately 20 percent. The expectation is that this new measure will continue to make inroads into eliminating the backlog.'"

OR4, ANTARCTICA. Karel, ON5TN, will once again be staying at the Princess Elisabeth Station (WAP BEL-02) in the Antarctica between November 16th and through the end of February (2012). As nobody is overwintering at the station, it might take some days before Karel gets on the radio as there is a lot of work to do first. QSL via ON5TN. Updates on OR4TN can be found regularly on: http://www.qrz.com/db/or4tn
For more information about the Princess Elisabeth Station, go to: http://www.antarcticstation.org

PJ4, BONAIRE. Hennie, PE1MAE, will once again be active as PJ4/PE1MAE from Bonaire (SA-006, WLOTA LH-1279) sometime this week for the next 4-5 months. Activity will probably be mainly SSB on 40 meters (around 7175 kHz) at 0000z. He will also be on 80 and 20 meters, possibly some other bands. Hennie will specifically be looking for PA and European stations. He will only run 100 watts into a Delta Loop antenna. QSL via PA2NJC, direct or by the Bureau.

PJ5, SINT EUSTATIUS (Update). Just a reminder that Gerd, DL7VOG, will be active as PJ5/DL7VOG from Sint Eustatius Island (NA-145) between November 13th and December 4th. His three week operation will also include the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as PJ5G. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using mainly CW and RTTY, but he will have a microphone with him just in case someone really needs a phone QSO. Operations will be with a focus on the lower bands and listening for JA stations during his sunset and sunrise. As always, Gerd will be using his IC-706MK2G (this time with an amp) into an HF9VX for 80-6m and an inverted "L" (on a 15m fiberglass pole) for 160m. QSL via his home callsign, Bureau is preferred or direct. Bureau E-mail requests can be sent to: qsl@dl7vog.de

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated November 6th)

3D2T via VK4FW EG5VOR via EA5KB PJ7PL via WA1ZAM
7Q7GM via GM4FDM HB0/DF7EF via DF7EF PJ7X via F6EXV
7Z1SJ via EA7TFR or HZ-Bureau HB0/HB9AON via DJ2YE S5530N via S55N
9H1BX via G3TZM HB0/HB9EYR via IZ3AHY T6BP via 9A6AA
9H3BR via G4BEE or eQSL HG15IPA via HA3JB TM1R via F6KVP
AB1PV via DL1MWG HZ1MD/P via EA7FTR TM95BV via F6KUP
AH0/AB2RF via JJ2RCJ IQ8MD via IZ8BGY TS2A via EA1IR
C6ALP via W8QT J48OV via HA5OV TU2T via I2YSB
CR6K via CT1ILT (direct) KH2/JA7AYE via JA7AYE V26OB via DL8OBQ
CT9/DJ6TF via DJ6TF LX1DM via G0MMI XV1X via OK1DOT
DL/JK2VOC via JK2VOC OG6K via OH6RX YR30DP via YO8AXP
E51Z via K6VNX PJ7NK via DJ8NK

4W6A QSL CARDS. Steve, 9M6DXX, 4W6A Team Member, informs that the final proof of the 4-sided QSL has just been received from the printer. The cards should arrive with QSL Manager Tim, M0URX, soon and will then be sent out quickly. Tim reports that he has already processed QSL requests for over 13,000 QSOs - 32% of the total log - in less than six weeks since the end of the DXpedition. There is also a 2-sided version of the QSL (with the same photo on the front) that will be used for bureau cards and for those people who made more QSOs than can be fitted onto the one card. To see what the QSL card looks like, visit: http://www.m0urx.com

A51PN QSLS AVAIALABLE. Glenn, W0GJ/A51B, reported this past week: "Last week when in Bhutan, I met Pradhan, A51PN, who was very active from 1972 to 1983 when he worked in the Wireless Dept. of the Bhutan government. He gave me his stack of log books to digitize and upload to LoTW, about 30,000 estimated contacts. Pradhan is now 73 and in good health and living a quiet retired life. I will be able to answer QSL requests for anyone needing a card for A51PN. He has meticulous notes in his logs about QSLs that were returned."

OLD QSL COLLECTION (Update). Jean Michel, F6AJA, wants to remind everyone to visit the Les Nouvelles DX (LNDX) Web page to see more than 9500 old QSL cards in several different albums/galleries. This site contains:
- The ten most wanted DXCC entities (2004 to 2010) with more than 300 QSLs
- At least one card for each 60 deleted DXCC countries (more than 1300+ QSLs)
- Nearest the totality of current prefixes, disappeared now (more than 3500+ QSLs)
- Album for stations from Magrebh - 1945 to 1962 (more than 300+ QSLs)
- More than 800 QSLs from the Antarctic bases.
- Nearly 260 QSLs from the TAAF (Terres Australes and Antarctiques Francaises).
- More than 300 QSLs for the rare French Pacific Islands such as FK/C, FO/C, FO/A, FO/M, FO/C and FW
- Nearly 300 cards from Eparses Islands such as FR/B/E/G/J/T

- More than 1300 cards for the old timer with more than 120 countries before 1945.
- Cards from the French Department before 1945.
- One card from each of the states in the U.S. before 1945.

The URL address for the Web site is: http://LesNouvellesDX.free.fr
Some cards are still needed for the collection, and your participation is welcome. Please visit their site and give them your comments by sending an E-mail to: LesNouvellesDX@free.fr

Ron, AC7DX, reports that ALL CARDS for PJ4/LU1FAM go to LU2FE for this special operation.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 4O3A, 6Y5/W1UE, 6Y9X, CE3FZ, ED1DAX, ER1MM, HB0/HB9CVQ, HC2A, J37BO, LN3Z, NP4G, OG0I, OH1XT, PJ2T, PZ5RA, RI1ANC, SK3W, SV0XCC/9, TM6M, TX7M, UA3KW, V44KAI, VE6WQ, WP4SK and ZK2X

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 4O3A, 4S7DXG, 5N6/YL2SW, A92GR, C31CT, CE0Y/DK2ZF, D44AC, DS3HWS, E51PMR, ET3BN, FO/N6JA, HC1HW, HC2A, HC2SL, HL5KY, J39BS, KH6SAT, NH0Z, RC0F, RI1FJA, SU1SK, SV1ENG, TI5/KI4TRG, VK0TH, VK9NN, VK9OL, VP2EMR, VR2UW, ZD8D and ZL7VR

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: OX3KQ

TF, ICELAND. Siggi, TF3CW, has announced that he will be active in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as Single-Op/Single-Band (20m) entry. QSL via LX1NO.

V2, ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA. Dan, K6IF, will be active as V25R from Antigua between December 9-11th. Activity will be mainly SSB for the ARRL 10 Meter Contest. He tells OPDX that outside of the contest activity will be limited on 40 and 20 meters after 10 meters closes at night. QSL via K6IF.

V3, BELIZE. Operators Dennis/K2SX and Leslie/W2LK will be active as V31SX and V31AO between November 22-29th. Activity will include the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Multi-Single entry (callsign TBD). QSL via LoTW. Their operations outside of the contest will be mainly CW with some RTTY. Look for them on the lower bands and the 30/17/12 meter bands. They will also do some 6 meters, conditions permitting.

V3, BELIZE. Will, AA4NC (W4MR), will be active as V31RR between February 16-26th. Activity will be on CW, SSB, RTTY, and the 30/17/12 bands. His activity will include the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 18-19th). QSL via AI4U.

V4, ST. KITTS. Jon, W5JON, will once again be active as V47JA from the Calypso Bay, St. Kitts (NA-104, WW Loc. FK87SG), hillside QTH located 300 feet from overlooking the Caribbean Sea and Atlantic Ocean, between February 8th and March 28th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters (including 60m) using a Kenwood TS-590S, Yaesu FT-857D, and SB200 Amplifier. Antennas include: a 80-10m Multi-band Dipole, and metal roof mounted S9, 18' and 31' Verticals and 3 element Yagi for 6m. His operations will include the ARRL International DX SSB Contest (March 3-4th), and CQ WPX SSB Contest

(March 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entries. XYL Cathy (W5HAM) will occasionally operate as V47HAM. ALL QSLs go to W5JON. Also LoTW.

V6, MICRONESIA. Operator Kazuhide "Kazu"/JA0VSH and his XYL Miyuki/JG0PBJ will once again be active as V63KZ and V63MP, respectively, from Phonpei Island (OC-010) between November 7-13th. Kazu will be here on holiday after completing his job mission in Uzbekistan. Activity last time was on 160-10 meters, CW and SSB. There might be some RTTY this time. Kazu is interested in 160m and will use a 500w amp. QSL via JA0VSH, by the Bureau or direct to: Kazuhide Maruyama, 1-25-49 Irima, Chofu, Tokyo 182-0004, Japan.

VE2, CANADA (Zone 2). Victor, VA2WDQ, will be active as VE2EKA from Sept-Iles in Zone 2 during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via VA2WDQ.

XU7 & XV2, CAMBODIA AND VIETNAM (Update/Reminder). Mal, VK6LC, has started his "DX Vacation" from Cambodia as XU7AEO and will be there until November 21st. Activity will be mainly 20 meters using mostly CW with some SSB. From XU7, he will then return once again to Vietnam and will be active as XV2LC from Vung Tau between December 2-8th. He states that this will be a dedicated 30 day "Culture Tour" of Cambodia (XU7) in November and Vung Tau, Vietnam, in December (which all started in October, from 9M2 Malaysia). Activity will be on 20/17/12 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign, only direct. He does NOT use the QSL Bureau. Check out QRZ.com for some more details and pictures under VK6LC, XU7AEO and XV2LC.

YB26, INDONESIA (Special Event). Members of the YB Land DX Club (YBDXC) will activate YB26SEAG between November 11-17th. Activity is to celebrate the "26th South East Asia Games" (SEAG) which take place from Jakarta - Palembang, between November 12-22nd. Look for operations to be on all bands and modes. QSL Manager is Hans, YB2DX. QSL direct to: PO BOX 123, PW, 58100, Indonesia.

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1067. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 6th November 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-06 21:00:13 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20111106210004.666D533C91@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3907
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 6th November 2011

IRTS Committee Meeting

The next IRTS committee meeting will take place on 10th December at 11.00 in Portlaoise. Affiliated clubs are encouraged to send a representative.

Echo Ireland

The latest issue of Echo Ireland will be delivered to members within the next few days. This issue includes updates on the activities of quite a few clubs -including Limerick Radio Club, Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club, Mayo Radio Experimenters Network and South Dublin Radio Club. There is also a report on the recent Northern Ireland HF conference, as well as coverage of the IARU Region 1 Conference.

Recent and upcoming DX activity is well covered by the regular "HF Happenings" column by Anthony EI2KC; in addition, Eoin EI9O writes about working VK9HR, the recent DXpedition to Lord Howe Island. Brian EI8IU relates the experiences of the Shannon Basin club on Inisboffin for the IOTA contest, while John EI7JO covers the Rathlin Island activation for the same contest.

The less popular modes and bands get good coverage in this issue, with articles on operating portable on the 500 kHz band, weak signal communication on the HF bands and, of course, more excerpts from the HX files dealing with ATV and other UHF activities. Jack EI7HO continues with his series on making and operating magnetic loops, while Tony EI5EM talks about "SWR and what it means".

Good News on 500 kHz

During the meeting of the CEPT WRC-12 Conference Preparatory Group held in Bucharest between November 1st-4th 2011 a European Common Proposal (ECP) was agreed. This ECP represents the block vote of 48 administrations and was passed without dissent. It proposes an allocation to the amateur service between 472-480 kHz on a secondary basis with a maximum power limit of 5W eirp.

This ECP will now be forwarded to the ITU as a contribution from CEPT to WRC-12.

The IARU would like to thank the European Member Societies who helped to influence their national administrations in this matter. This is an important step in the IARU efforts to secure a worldwide secondary allocation to the amateur service in the region of 500 kHz at WRC-12

Mayo Radio Experimenters Network

The following is the corrected list of MREN officers:-

Chairperson: Jimmy Kelly EI2GCB Treasurer: Adrian Healy EI2HAB Secretary: Brendan Minish EI6IZ PRO: David Hatfield EI3ECB Newsletter editor: John Corless EI7IQ Rally Director: Padraic Baynes EI9JA IRTS Club Rep: Adrian Healy EI2HAB QSL Manager: Brendan Minish EI6IZ

The MREN Rally would be held on November 20th this year at its now established venue of The Welcome Inn Hotel in Castlebar.

Foyle and District Amateur Radio Rally

The Foyle and District Amateur Radio Club Rally takes place November 6th 2011 at the White Horse Hotel, 68 Clooney Road, Derry, BT47 3PA. Doors open at 12 noon. The usual traders will be present and IRTS will have a stand also on display. Further details from www.mn0aku.co.uk

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Limerick Radio Club

The next meeting of Limerick Radio Club takes place on Wednesday 9 November at 7.30pm at the Limerick Institute of Technology.

Closed QSL Bureaux

There are 2 new countries that have closed their QSL bureaux, TU .. Cote d'Ivoire and V7.. Marshall Island.

If you work one of these countries then make sure you get the QSL manager or QSL direct. There is no point in sending them to the outgoing bureau as they will only be returned to you.

South Dublin Radio Club

There will be a talk at South Dublin Radio Club on Tuesday 15th of November.

It will be given by Paul O Kane EI5DI, one of the two EI's who took part in T32C DXpedition to Kiritamiti (Christmas Island). All events at the club are open to visitors and we would encourage everyone to

come along to Ballroan community centre on the Marian Road in Dublin.

http://www.southdublinradioclub.ie

DX News

DK9PY will be in Guadeloupe from 6 - 25 November using the callsign FG/DK9PY. He plans to be active on CW on all bands 80 - 10m. Look for him 15 kHz up from the low band edge.

Another expedition to the Caribbean will see three German operators DL8YHR, DL9MS and DL2NUD on the air from Barbados using the calls 8P9DL. 8P9MS and 8P9HP respectively. QSLs go via their home calls.

Ascension Island will see activity by K7ZZ using ZD8ZZ and W6HGF using ZD8F. They will be there from 8 - 22 November using CW, RTTY and some SSB. Logs will be uploaded to Logbook of the World.

The Pacific Island of Tuvalu is the destination of 3 Australian and 3 American operators from 11 November - 8 December. The callsign they will use is T2T and they will be active on all bands 160 - 6m and hope to have three stations on-air when possible. QSL Manager is VK4FW.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

1068. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2011-037E - Jack Belrose VE2CV appointed to Hall of Fame

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-07 04:30:33 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4EB75E5A.4070007@rac.ca>
Source record: 3908
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2011-037E - Jack Belrose VE2CV appointed to Hall of Fame
2011-11-06

The Board of Trustees of the Canadian Amateur Radio Hall of Fame
has appointed John S. (Jack) Belrose VE2CV / VE3CVV of Ottawa, ON to
the Hall of Fame. Jack will be presented with this award at a meeting
to be arranged in Ottawa in early 2012, at which time a more detailed
summary of his contributions to +amateur radio will be published in
The Canadian Amateur magazine.

Nominations for the Hall of Fame must be submitted by Sept.
30th annually. The appointment is to recognize an amateur for
outstanding achievement for sustained service to amateur radio in
Canada, or +amateur radio at large.

The Board of Trustees consists of an amateur radio representative
from each province of Canada.

Ed Frazer VE7EF
Chair, Board of Trustees
Canadian Amateur Radio Hall of Fame
Radio Amateurs of Canada

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Vernon Erle Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Quebec
RAC E-News/Web News Bulletin Editor
<racnews@rac.ca>

No virus found in this message.
Checked by AVG - www.avg.com
Version: 2012.0.1869 / Virus Database: 2092/4601 - Release Date: 11/06/11

You are receiving this bulletin because you are subscribed to an electronic mailing list.
For more information or to change your subscription please visit:
http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

1069. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.amateur.*

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-07 07:05:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/recruitment-1-1320649501@panix.com>
Source record: 3909
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/recruitment
Revision: 1.2 2009/11/25 14:41:01
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/

Changes followed by "|".

The rec.radio.info newsgroup, first established in 1993, has been
recently revived by an active moderation team. We are currently seeking
suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.amateur.* (and currently archived
at http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/ ):

radio/personal-intro
Subject: Guide to the rec.radio Newsgroups
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 9 Nov 2001 06:18:17 GMT
Posting-Frequency: 15th of each month

One significant omission, requiring immediate updates, for this article |
is that it does not mention newer amateur radio newsgroups created since |
it was written, including: |

rec.radio.amateur.antenna |
rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors |
rec.radio.amateur.dx |
rec.radio.amateur.equipment |
rec.radio.amateur.homebrew |
rec.radio.amateur.moderated |
rec.radio.amateur.space |

We are willing to provide any technical support necessary to get this
article updated and automatically posted again at a regular interval.
This would include establishing contact with the original maintainer for
any necessary permissions. We would prefer to seek a new, dedicated
maintainer at this time, rather than start auto-posting the original
article ourselves.

For more information about our newsgroup, see:
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http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

1070. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.swap

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-07 07:10:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/swap/recruitment-1-1320649800@panix.com>
Source record: 3910
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/swap/recruitment
Revision: 1.1 2007/09/29 18:42:57
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide

Changes followed by "|".

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newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.swap (and currently archived at
http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide/ ):

radio/swap-guide
Subject: Rec.radio.swap FAQ: A Guide to Buying and Selling on Usenet
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 6 Nov 2001 19:25:51 GMT
Posting-Frequency: Monthly

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1071. Re: completely disabling AGC in Cobra 142 CB?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-07 15:51:26 UTC
From: KB9RQZ <turdbergmark@yahoo.com>
Message-ID: <c1d5e089-f31e-493f-852e-290d3eb8c889@f3g2000pri.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3911
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.policy,alt.usenet.kooks,comp.os.os2.advocacy

On Nov 4, 8:46 am, "Eric" <er...@anywhere.net> wrote:
> I have a need to completely disable the AGC circuit in a Cobra 142 GTL CB.
> How would this be done please?
>
> Thank you,
> Eric

Hi Eric,
The first thing to do is remove the cover of the 142. Then, remove
your tiny little prick from your pants and piss all over the inside.
This must be done while the radio is plugged in and turned on. This
will disable the AGC circuit, you stupid fucking CB'er!

http://ve7kfm.com/kb9rqz.html

1072. Re: Lifetime credit for exams. (was: Re: FCC Daily Digest 07/29/2011)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-07 17:29:21 UTC
From: "tholen@antispam.ham" <tholen@ifa.hawaii.edu>
Message-ID: <07707db8-f446-4b78-af41-f9056ff445fa@i13g2000prg.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3912
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,comp.os.os2.advocacy,ba.broadcast,rec.radio.amateur.policy,alt.usenet.kooks

kb9rqz <morkk.morgan@chemist.com> writes:

522> Newsgroups:
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What do your general ticketts have to do with rec.radio.amateur.misc,
comp.os.os2.advocacy,ba.broadcast,rec.radio.amateur.policy,
alt.usenet.kooks, kb9rqz?

kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com> writes:

523> Newsgroups:
rec.radio.amateur.misc,comp.os.os2.advocacy,ba.broadcast,rec.radio.amateur.policy,alt.usen
et.kooks

523> fake

What does kb9rqz's fakeness have to do with rec.radio.amateur.misc,
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1073. Re: Lifetime credit for exams. (was: Re: FCC Daily Digest 07/29/2011)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-07 17:33:27 UTC
From: "tholen@antispam.ham" <tholen@ifa.hawaii.edu>
Message-ID: <afb8e635-af80-4ae5-b22e-172b233b0d7a@p36g2000prp.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3913
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,comp.os.os2.advocacy,ba.broadcast,rec.radio.amateur.policy,alt.usenet.kooks

Ras Mikaere Enoch Mc Carty <mikaere@live.com> writes:

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7> Bozo, you were born Jay Smilkstein, here is your
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7> "Bozo <Jay Smilkstein> De Niro!!!..."

7> *WATER FOR REPUBLICAN ELEPHANTS*

7> JEWS = RATS
7> VERMIN = JEWS

7> Bozo The Jew !

7> * Promotes Sorcery (Babylon) That Is In Clear Contradiction
7> To The Teachings Of The Old Testament
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7> And Around -- Is That Complete Stupidity Or What ?
7> Finally Discovering "Zion" (Israel \ Judah), Yet Have Now, As
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comp.os.os2.advocacy,ba.broadcast,rec.radio.amateur.policy,
alt.usenet.kooks, Mc Carty?

7> * Just Up-Dated !
7> w/ New Photo Of KFJC 89.7 FM Fundraising Event
7> w/ New Audio-Mix Attached To Web-Page (longer)

7> KFJC 89.7 FM <--- You Always Choose To Be Satanic !

Well, at least a commercial radio reference.

1074. Re: Lifetime credit for exams. (was: Re: FCC Daily Digest 07/29/2011)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-07 17:39:44 UTC
From: % <persent@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <Ve6dnU0aNK42iyXTnZ2dnUVZ_qydnZ2d@giganews.com>
Source record: 3914
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,comp.os.os2.advocacy,ba.broadcast,rec.radio.amateur.policy,alt.usenet.kooks

tholen@antispam.ham wrote:
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absolutely nothing so what of it

1075. Re: Lifetime credit for exams. (was: Re: FCC Daily Digest 07/29/2011)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-07 17:41:02 UTC
From: % <persent@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <tfWdnQrT2p1liyXTnZ2dnUVZ_gSdnZ2d@giganews.com>
Source record: 3915
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,comp.os.os2.advocacy,ba.broadcast,rec.radio.amateur.policy,alt.usenet.kooks

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> comp.os.os2.advocacy,ba.broadcast,rec.radio.amateur.policy,
> alt.usenet.kooks, Mc Carty?
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> 7> * Just Up-Dated !
> 7> w/ New Photo Of KFJC 89.7 FM Fundraising Event
> 7> w/ New Audio-Mix Attached To Web-Page (longer)
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> 7> KFJC 89.7 FM <--- You Always Choose To Be Satanic !
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> Well, at least a commercial radio reference.

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1076. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #1035.1

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-07 19:30:46 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <897358.55499.qm@smtp103.sbc.mail.mud.yahoo.com>
Source record: 3916
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Special Bulletin No. 1035.1
BID: $OPDX.1035.1
November 7, 2011
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, 4Z4DX, N7OU and OH2BN for the following DX information.

9N, NEPAL (Update/Reminder). The Mediterraneo DX Club's DXpedition to Nepal will start this week. The international DXpedition team will be on air as 9N7MD between November 12-27th. Operations will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1826.5, 3505, 7005, 10105, 14025, 18075, 21025, 24895 and 28025
SSB - 1840, 3799, 7080, 14200, 18145, 21295, 24950 and 28470
RTTY - 3600, 7040, 10140, 14085, 18100, 21080, 24930 and 28085 kHz
QSL Manager is IK2VUC for direct, by the Bureau or the OQRS cards (see the Web page). The LoTW files will be uploaded by the end of March 2012 (four months after QRT). Activity will also include an entry in the CQWW DX CW Contest as 9N7DX. QSL via 4Z4DX. For more details and updates, visit the "NEPAL11" Web page at: http://www.mdxc.org/nepal2011

E5, NORTH COOK ISLANDS (Update). Bill, N7OU, who is currently active as E51NOU from Rarotonga Island (OC-013, WFF E5FF-002), South Cook Islands, informs OPDX that his flight to Manihiki, North Cook Islands, will now be on November 8th or 9th, "pretty much as planned". Remember, activity will be on 160-10m, CW only, 500w to verticals, with his focus on Europe. His Manihiki, N. Cook Islands, callsign will be E51MAN. QSL via N7OU.

OJ0X DXPEDITION CAME TO AN END WITH 66.000+ QSOs. Press release by Jarmo, OH2BN, from Helsinki, dated November 7th, states (edited):
"With record warm temperatures and calm seas, the last OJ0X sub-group of Timo/OG9X, Olli/OH0XX, Martti/OH2BH and Teemu/SM0W got back to Aland Islands with 10,000 CQWW QSOs in the books, bringing the total to more than 66,000 in the OJ0X log. The updated log search page is now online at <www.qrz.com/db/OJ0X> with the latest pictures to be added soon.
The OJ0X operating team comprised these fourteen (14) operators: Salvatore/DH7SA, Dietmar/DL3DXX, Frank/DL5CW, Timo/OG9X, Olli/OH0XX, Juha/OH1ND, Pekka/OH1TV, Miika/OH2BAD, Martti/OH2BH, Ilmo/OH2BO, Tapani/OH5BM, Teemu/SM0W, Rick/SM6U and Robert/SP5XVY.

While the gang experienced all kinds of weather in fighting for their landings and departures, they were satisfied in being able to catch some good high-band openings, offering OJ0 on those bands and modes for the first time. They managed the four weeks without a glitch among the rotating groups.
Here, they offer a score card listing those with the highest number of band points in various geographical areas, such as Japan: JA6BZI and JA4DND (21) and JA4EPE, JR4FYW and JA0FSB (19). In the United States, top honors go to K5EK (17) followed by W4CHA, W4DXA and N8RR. The U.S. West Coast is led by W7AL (11), followed by N6ED (10). In Europe, OK2PAY and LZ1NG are credited with 23 band points, followed by EA1SB and ON7GB (22) and DF3QG and PA1PVH (21). Oceania's best score (15) comes from VK7ZE and South America's from YV8AD (13).
All in all, OJ0X contacted 26,873 individuals, and 141 stations made it on all 9 bands offered.
The background team offering help and performing several support functions consisted of:
Mario/9H5QB, Nigel/G3TXF, Jarmo/OH2BN, Pertti/OH2PM, Harri/OH6VM, Tore/SM0DZB, Vlad/UA6LV and the boat captain, Mats Sjostrom, plus the Finnish Lighthouse Society's chairman, Pekka Vaisanen, and Market Reef chairperson, Angela Eriksson, who did their utmost to make everything jell.
If you are interested in operating from Market Reef in 2012, you may contact Pekka or Angela for more information at:
http://www.majakkaseura.fi/eng/market
Harri, OH6VM/OJ0VM, is also offering you a complete tour of the light-house facilities at: http://www.oh6vm.org/market
OJ0X QSL cards are available from OH2BH in December and soon via LoTW."

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via InterNet Mail to: kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org - OR - kb8nw@arrl.net
Information can now be faxed to the following "NEW" phone line at:
1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)

/EXIT
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1077. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-07 20:56:29 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <fdc63145-a2b8-4772-8164-913de783b96a@4g2000yqu.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3917
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.policy,alt.usenet.kooks,comp.os.os2.advocacy

On Nov 7, 10:51 am, KB9RQZ <turdbergm...@yahoo.com> wrote:
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1078. Re: get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-07 21:11:08 UTC
From: % <persent@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <CeadnXy3pouq1SXTnZ2dnUVZ_gidnZ2d@giganews.com>
Source record: 3918
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.policy,alt.usenet.kooks,comp.os.os2.advocacy

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1079. NZART Headquarters Infoline special issue 29s

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-08 05:29:13 UTC
From: "ZL1AMW (infoline)" <infoline@nzart.org.nz>
Message-ID: <26D7743BACA6477A9A1DCF75D55D0C58@AlanLaptop>
Source record: 3919
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

NZART Headquarters Infoline Special Issue 29s

08 November 2011

Call Book 2011/2012 and Membership Drive

>From the President

There have been two matters that have been in the pipeline –
namely a Membership Drive and a Call Book for this year. Both were
dependent on obtaining data from RSM that is accurate and useable.

In order for a Call Book to be ready for delivery with the December
issue of Break-In the Call Book editor needed this data by 7th November.
Consequently, as the data from the Smart system hasn't been
received by him in time, we will have to reluctantly cancel the Call
Book for this year.

Likewise for the membership drive. Accurate data is necessary so that we
can compile a list of non-members who would be approached to join. As a
result, the membership drive has also been called off.

Both of these cancellations are regrettable – but are outside
the control of your headquarters as well as your Council.

I hope that you all have a really enjoyable Christmas with plenty of
time to enjoy family and friends – and that 2012 will be good to
you and yours.

Roy Symon, ZL2KH

President, NZART (Inc).

1080. [DXNL] DXNL 1753 (Nov 9, 2011)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-08 19:54:22 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <1389423906.20111108205205@dxhf.darc.de>
Source record: 3920
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DXNL 1753 - Nov 9, 2011
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5R, MADAGASCAR, AF-013
F6ICX plans to show up as 5R8IC again between Nov 15 and Dec 17.
QSL via homecall.

5Z, KENYA
Sig,NV7E/ZS6SIG, plans to be active as 5Z4EE from Kenya until 2014.
QSL via NV7E.

9G, GHANA
Mark,W8MP, is a pilot and travels to Accra regularly for one to four
days. He is working as 9G5MP during his spare time then. See QRZ.com.
QSL via homecall.

9K, BAHRAIN, AS-002
9K7ACW will show up on HF signing A92KT from Bahrain. QSL via homecall.

9N, NEPAL
Members of the MDXC are going to become active as 9N7MD from Nov 14-24.
They will work with four stations in SSB/CW/RTTY all around the clock.
QSL via IK2VUC. The log will be uploaded to the LoTW four months after
the DXpedition, OQRS as well after the DXpedition has ended.
See also their website: http://www.mdxc.org/nepal2011

A6, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES
Ulli,A6/DL9WVM, will stay in Mirdif/Dubai again for three weeks. Though
his activity is restricted by his work and his family, he wants to
focus on 10m/12m. The next flights for March/April 2012 have been
booked already. QSL via homecall.

CN, MOROCCO
Francois,ON4LO, is working as CN2LO and CN2LO/m on 40m-10m between
Oct 15 and Dec 20. QSL via ON4LO.

D4, CAPE VERDE, AF-086
Luca,IK2NCJ, is expected to show up as D44TAL on the HF bands from
Sao Vicente Island (AF-086). QSL via IZ4DPV.

E5, NORTH COOK ISLANDS, OC-014
Bills,N7OU/E51NOU flight to Manihiki (OC-014) in the North Cook Islands
has been postponed until around Nov 10/11.

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS, OC-013
OZ6TL is working as E51TLA on the HF bands from Rarotonga (OC-013).
QSL via bureau, homecall or LoTW.

EA, SPAIN
The Volvo Ocean Race 2011/12 has started on Oct 29. The special event
station EG5VOR is active on the bands for this reason. QSL via EA5KB.

G, ENGLAND, EU-005
The Caddington Scout and Cub group are holding a communication week
starting on Nov 14. They will work as GB1CSC from Caddington Scout HQ
in Caddington/Bedfordshire. The QSL route can be found on QRZ.com.

HB9, SWITZERLAND
The special event station HB9STEVE remembers Steve Jobs, the founder
of Apple, mostly in CW and some SSB in November. QSL via HB9DHG & LoTW.

KH2, GUAM, OC-026
JR1VAY will be QRV as AH2J (OC-026, USI GU003S/WFF KFF-110/WLOTA 0064)
from Nov 11-14, including the JIDX SSB Contest and WAE RTTY Contest.
QSL via homecall.

LA, NORWAY
Lars,LA2RRA/mm, is the ship's cook of "M/S Nordstjernen" (IMO 5255777,
under the Norwegian flag, callsign: LATU), a cargo ship which was built
in 1956, modernized in 1980 and is now used for passenger transport on
the old route to the archipelago of Svalbard (JW). Lars is working
with an IC7000 HF during his spare time. QSL via bureau.

OK, CZECH REPUBLIC
The special event station OL60OU is working from Nov 1-30 to mark the
60th anniversary of the first teaching of engineering in the middle
vocational school in Unicov. QSL via OK2BMI.

ON, BELGIUM
Since 1981 the radio club "ONZ Knokke" celebrates the liberation of
their city by the Canadian Army in 1944. This year they are activating
the special callsign ON30CLM until Dec 31. CLM stands for Canadian
Liberation March. QSL via ON3AIM. See also: http://www.on4clm.be

PJ4, BONAIRE, SA-006
Hennie,PJ4/PE1MAE, is working from Bonaire (SA-006) for the next four
or five months. QSL via bureau to his homecall or direct via PA2NJC.

PJ5, ST EUSTATIUS, NA-145
Gerd,PJ5/DL7VOG, will show up from St Eustatius (NA-145) working on
160m-10m (and 6m if the band opens) between Nov 13 and Dec 5. Gerd will

use the callsign PJ5G during the upcoming CQ WWDX CW Contest. His rig
includes an IC-706MK2G, a 500 watts amplifier, a HF9V and an Inverted L
for 160m. QSL via homecall, bureau preferred but also direct or via
e-mail request to: qsl@dl7vog.de Web: http://www.dl7vog.de

T2, TUVALU, OC-015
A DXpedition is planned to sign T2T from Tuvalu (OC-015, Grid: RI91ol)
in CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31 on 160m-6m from Nov 10 until Dec 5.
Due to limited baggage weight they have many antennas but only two
Elecraft K3 and KPA500 with them. QSL via VK4FW.
More information can be found on: http://www.t2t.pacific-dxers.com

V6, MICRONESIA, OC-010
Kazu,JA0VSH, has finished his operation in Uzbekistan and spends his
holidays with his wife on Pohnpei Island (OC-010). They will sign
V63KZ and V63MP from Nov 7-13. QSLs via JA0VSH.

VK0/M, MACQUARIE ISLAND, AN-005
Kevin,VK0KEV, went QRT and is back home but Trevor,VK0TH, will stay
on Macquarie Island.

XU, CAMBODIA
Mal,VK6LC, is signing XU7AEO on a "DX holiday" and is working mostly
in CW and little SSB mainly on 20m until Nov 21.
QSL via homecall, unfortunately only direct.

XV, VIETNAM
Kurt,DL5CO, will be QRV as XV2CO during his holiday in Vietnam from
Nov 12 until Dec 5. He is using the shack of a local HAM who is active
on all HF bands. Kurt prefers CW but also works in SSB sometimes.
QSL via homecall.

YB, INDONESIA, OC-021
The special event call YB26SEAG will be QRV during the "26th SEA Games"
from Nov 11-17. The OPs of the YB Land DX Club (YBDXC) will work in all
modes on all bands.
QSL via bureau to YB2DX or direct via PO Box 123, PW 58100, Indonesia.

LoTW: Please expect some delays during the processing of about 8000 WWDX SSB
contest logs.

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Nov 12-13: WAE DX Contest RTTY
Nov 12-13: JA International DX Contest
Nov 12-13: OK/OM DX Contest CW

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AS-191, HZ, Red Sea Coast Centre: 7Z1CQ, 7Z1AQ, 7Z1SJ, HZ1BT, HZ1BW, HZ1DG,
HZ1DS, HZ1HN, HZ1MD and HZ1TL are going to hit the airwaves as 7Z7AA
from Jabal Al Lith Island from Nov 17-25. This is a new IOTA group!
QSL via 7Z1CQ (bureau/direct/LoTW).

AS-193, HZ, Farasan Islands: Mohamad,HZ1MD, and his family are staying on
Farasan Island until Nov 11. He works as HZ1MD/p on the HF bands
during his holiday. QSL via EA7FTR.

EU-114, GU/MU, Guernsey group: Depending on the ferries Ron,G4DIY, and
Lee,G0DBE, plan to show up as GP0STH on 10m-40m from Guernsey Island
on Nov 10/11. QSL only direct via G4DIY (direct/LoTW).

EU-125, OZ, Jylland West group: Dirk,DF3XX, is signing OZ/KH6DXX from Romo
on the HF bands until Nov 11. QSL via DF3XX (bureau/direct).

SA-040, HK1, Bolivar/Atlantico Division group: Paco,HK1/EA7ATX, is working
from Tierrabomba Island (WLOTA 0296, ARLHS COL-052) in SSB on 10m-80m
from Nov 17-20. QSL via EA7ATX.

NOT IOTA: VE3ISE will be QRV from Grand Island Dunnville Ontario (CISA:
ON-107) on Nov 12. He plans to work on 7055 kHz from 1600-2000 UTC
and if the propagation allows also on the IOTA QRGs on 10m-20m.
QSL via VE3ISE (bureau/direct).

Lighthouse activities

AH2J LH 0064 Nov 11-14
FS/F5AHO LH 0383 Nov 17-30
HK1/EA7ATX LH 0296 Nov 17-20
K8A LH 4385 Nov 17-28
PJ5/DL7VOG LH 1851 Nov 15-Dec 6
YB26SEAG LH 1660 Nov 11-17
ZD8F LH 1491 Nov 8-22
5R8IC LH 0491 Nov 15-Dec 17

Bandspots of the last 7 days

30m
TL0CW 10.114 0610Z via DK7PE (B)
3D2T 10.107 1453Z via VK4FW (L), eQSL

20m
C31BO 14.010 1115Z (d)
3XY1D 14.006 0610Z via DL7DF (B)

17m
PJ7X 18.150 1500Z via F6EXV (B), (L)
TU2T 18.069 1625Z via I2YSB (d)
TU2T 18.150 1725Z via I2YSB (d) or IK2CIO (B)

15m
CN8KD 21.030 1600Z via EA5XX (d)
E51NOU 21.002 1550Z via N7OU (B)
GU4CH 21.022 1615Z
R0FA 21.027 0552Z (B)
TU2T 21.033 0941Z via I2YSB (d)
TU2T 21.135 1625Z via I2YSB (d) or IK2CIO (B)
W4EON 21.330 1705Z SOTA W4/SH021
W4EON 21.331 1633Z SOTA W4/SH025
3XY1D 21.040 1619Z via DL7DF (B)

12m
EX2A 24.901 1245Z (B)
PJ7NUP 24.908 1450Z via W4FC
RI1ANC 24.914 1115Z via RN1ON (B)
RI1FJA 24.901 1129Z via RX3MM (d)
TG9NX 24.952 1511Z via N4FKZ (d)
TU2T 24.900 1648Z via I2YSB (d) or IK2CIO (B)

10m
CE0Y/LA5UF 28.037 1616Z via LA5UF (B)
EA8CN 28.025 1703Z (L), (d)
HB0/OE9HRV/p 28.545 1238Z SOTA LI-009
HI3TEJ 28.010 1657Z (d)
PJ4J 28.455 1437Z via ON4CIT (B)
PJ5/SP6IXF 28.495 1217Z NA-145, via homecall (B)
PJ7X 28.512 1213Z via F6EXV (B), (L)
TU2T 28.020 1608Z via I2YSB (d)
TU2T 28.370 0953Z via I2YSB (d) or IK2CIO (B)
UK8OM 28.015 0725Z via 4Z5OG (d)
VE9DX 28.015 1428Z (L)
VU3RAZ 28.508 1253Z (d)
Z21BB 28.532 1112Z via W3HNK (d)
7Q7GM 28.028 0941Z via GM4FDM

(d) Only direct
(B) Bureau ok
(L) NoTW
(r) Bureau QSL via e-mail request

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

26Oct-09Nov 3D2A.. 1750
-Dec 3Y8XSA 1700/1717
15Nov-17Dec 5R8IC 1753 *
-2014 5Z4EE 1742/1753 *
-Apr/12 5Z4RH ? 1674
22Oct-11Nov 6V7Q 1750
Nov 7U1MA 1752
31Oct-13Nov 7Q7GM 1751/1752
-23Nov 7Q7HB 1717/1743

-Mar/12 8J1ING 1751
-30Nov 8J1MORSE.. 1731
01Nov-20Nov 8J1SIT5O 1751
-Sep/12 8J2NDP.. 1751
07Nov-21Nov 8P9DL.. 1572
02Nov-12Nov 8Q7CC 1752
31Oct-13Nov 8Q7EJ 1751
-31Dec 9A11P 1723
-21Nov 9A20V 1743
REGULARLY 9G5MP 1753 *
-2012 9J2RI 1739/1742
NOW 9M2/KM9D 1731
LONGTERM 9N1FE 1740
14Nov-24Nov 9N7MD 1753 *
SOON 9Q1EK 1669
-Nov 9Q6CC 1699
-Oct/14 9V1RM 1751

-? A35CT 1741
03Nov-13Nov A52DL.. 1752
-Sep/13 A52SV 1752
-26Nov A6/DL9WVM 1753 *
UNKNOWN A92KT 1753 *
11Nov-14Nov AH2J 1753 *
-31Dec BP100 1684
-31Dec BV100 1684
03Nov-11Nov CE0Y/LA5UF 1752
-Mar/12 CE9VPM 1752
15Oct-20Dec CN2LO.. 1753 *
UNKNOWN D44TAL 1753 *
-31Dec CW5RV 1711
05Oct-31Dec CY0/VE1AWW 1748
-Jul/12 D2QV 1750
-Apr/12? D2SG 1748

UNKNOWN E51NNV 1752
10Nov-22Nov E51NOU (NC) 1752/1753 *
UNKNOWN E51TLA 1753 *
UNKNOWN EG5VOR 1753 *
06Nov-25Nov FG/DK9PY 1752
-Mar/13 FH8NX 1747
-Jul/12 FR8NE 1710
14Nov-20Nov GB1CSC 1753 *
-31Dec GB40HMSB 1748
-31Dec HB60LU 1711
-30Nov HB9STEVE 1753 *
-31Dec HG15IPA 1724
01Jan-31Dec HG200LST 1708
13Nov HG5BNV 1751
Sep -2013 HI3/KL7JR 1745
-16Nov HK3JCL 1743

NOW HL2/KC6STQ 1746

01Jan-31Dec IA7MM 1708
01Jan-31Dec II1ITA.. 1708
-31Dec II4LXV 1742
30Oct-30Nov IR3MD 1751
-2012 J28FJ 1739
-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul/12 J28RO 1683
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
05Nov-19Nov K4E 1752
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
-May/12 KH4/W5FJG 1728
POSTPONED KH5 1674/1705/1741
-31Dec LA200D 1713
UNKNOWN LA2RRA/mm 1753 *
-31Dec LM9L40Y 1748
-31Dec LZ85R 1721

-Mar/12 OA/OE3NHW 1749
01Nov-30Nov OL60OU 1753 *
-31Dec ON30CLM 1753 *
LONGTERM P29FM 1752
-Mar/12 P29FR 1742
01Jan-31Dec PA30.. 1708
-Apr/12 PJ4/PE1MAE 1753
27Oct-09Nov PJ4J 1751
13Nov-05Dec PJ5/DL7VOG 1753 *
29Oct-11Nov PJ7/K4UWH.. 1751
26Oct-09Nov PJ7J.. 1751
26Oct-09Nov PJ7X.. 1750

-30Nov R300ML 1743
-Dec RI1ANC 1708
-Sep/12 RI1FJA 1741
-Sep/12 RI1FJM 1741
-30Nov S550ACP 1745
NOW ST2AR 1745
-30Nov SU/HA3JB 1743
-Nov T5/TA1AMC 1745
10Nov-5Dec T2T 1753 *
-Apr/12 T6BP 1746
-Nov T6FR 1742
-Jun/12 T6MO 1733
-Nov T6SH 1734
23Oct-23Dec TT8PK 1670/1723/1752
27Oct-11Nov TU2T 1751

UNKNOWN V63JB 1752
07Nov-13Nov V63KZ.. 1753 *
-Nov/14 V73NS 1604/1668/1752

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01Nov-09Nov VE2/JA8BMK.. 1751
Nov VK100ARV 1752
19Oct-09Nov VK9CX 1750
08Nov-11Nov VK9XM 1752
-Dec/11 VK0BFG 1741
QRT VK0KEV 1700/1701/1753 *
NOW VK0TH (Macq) 1748
28Oct-31Dec VP9/N1SV 1747
02Nov-16Nov VP9KF 1724/1752

-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
-14Nov XF1/K5ENS 1739
07Nov-12Nov XF1C 1752
NOW XT2RJA 1712
12Nov-05Dec XV2CO 1753 *
-21Nov XU7AEO 1753 *
01Nov-12Dec XV2RZ 1751
11Nov-17Nov YB26SEAG 1753 *
08Nov-22Nov ZD8F.. 1752
15Oct-29Dec ZK2V.. 1749
19Aug-31Oct ZL4RUGBY 1741
-31Dec ZL50GH 1711
-2012 ZS7KX 1740/1749
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* new or updated
.. and other calls

QSL information

A51PN via W0GJ (*) & LoTW
A6/DL9WVM via DL9WVM
A92KT via 9K7ACW (B)
AB1PV via DL1MWG (B)
AH2J via JR1VAY (B)
B3C via DL8UI (B CQWW, SSB)
C6ALP via W8QT
CN2LO via ON4LO (B)
CN2LO/m via ON4LO (B)
CT9/DJ6TF via DJ6TF (B)
DL/JK2VOC via JK2VOC (B)
D44TAL via IZ4DPV
E51TLA via OZ6TL (B), (L)
E51Z via K6VNX (B)
EG5VOR via EA5KB (B)
GB1CSC via QSL.com
HB9STEVE via HB9ON (B), (L), HB9DHG (d)
HB0/DF7EF via DF7EF (B)
HB0/HB9AON via DJ2YE (B)
HB0/HB9EYR via IZ3AHY (B)
HG15IPA via HA3JB (d)

HK1MW via K4AMW
HZ1MD/p via EA7FTR
IQ8MD via IZ8BGY (B), (L)
KH2/JA7AYE via JA7AYE (B)
LA2RRA/mm via LA2RRA (B), eQSL
LX1DM via G0MMI (d)
OG6K via OH6RX
OJ0VM via OH6VM (B)
OL60OU via OK2BMI
ON30CLM via ON3AIM (B)
PJ4J via ON4CIT (B)
PJ4/LU1FAM via LU2FE (L), (d)
PJ4/PE1MAE via PE1MAE (B), PA2NJC (d)
PJ5/DL7VOG via DL7VOG (B), OQRS
PJ7NK via DJ8NK (B)
PJ7PL via WA1ZAM
S5530N via S55N (B), eQSL
S01MZ via EA1BT (B)
T2T via VK4FW (L), eQSL
T6BP via 9A6AA (B)
TM1R via F6KVP (B)
TM95BV via F6KUP (B), F5LPY (d)
TS2A via EA1IR (B), (L)
V26OB via DL8OBQ (B)
V55A via M0OXO (B), (L), OQRS
V63KZ via JA0VSH (B)
V63MP via JA0VSH (B)
XU7AEO via VK6LC (d)
XV1X via OK1DOT (d)
XV2CO via DL5CO (B)
YB26SEAG via YB2DX (B)
YR30DP via YO8AXP (B)
ZF2LC via W2SM (B), (L)
3D2T via VK4FW (L), eQSL
5R8IC via F6ICX (B)
5Z4EE via NV7E
7Q7GM via GM4FDM (B)
7Z1SJ via EA7TFR or HZ bureau
9G5MP via W8MP
9H1BX via G3TZM (B)
9H3BR via G4BEE (B), eQSL
9M4SMY via JE9MBV (B), (L)
9N7MD via IK2VUC (B)

(d) Only direct
(B) Bureau ok
(*) New QSL manager
(L) Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) E-mail request

QSL A51PN: While visiting Bhutan Glenn,W0GJ/A51B, has met Pradhan,A51PN, who
was very active from 1972-1983. Glenn has received the logs with about
30.000 QSOs for digitization and subsequent uploading to the LoTW.
Pradhan is now 73 years old and lives quietly and withdrawn.
If you still need a QSL of A51PN, please send your card direct to the
CBA of W0GJ.

QSLs arrived direct: ZD8D, YB3XM, 4J0WFF, 7Z1HL

QSLs arrived bureau: LZ0I (LZ1BJ), SE7M/LH (SM7GUY), TO3GA (DL3GA),
VU3RYO (DL2JRM), ZM4T (ZL2AL), 9UXEV (DL3KBQ),
9X0SP (DL7DF), 6W1SJ (E73Y)

QSL Gallery

The large QSL collection "Les Nouvelles DX" (http://www.LesNouvellesdx.fr)
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1081. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 31 October - 06 November 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-08 22:30:05 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20111108223001.6936033C8E@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3921
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.info

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:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2011 Nov 08 2040 UTC
# Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
# http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
31 October - 06 November 2011

Solar activity was low to high. Activity began at moderate levels on
31 October with two M1 flares. The first, which was associated with
a coronal mass ejection (CME), occurred at 31/1508 UTC and the
second was a long duration flare at 31/1808 UTC, both from regions
that had not yet rotated onto the visible disk. Low level activity
occurred on 01 November from newly visible Regions 1338 (S14, L=121,
class/area Ehi/375 on 03 November) and 1339 (N19, L=102, class/area
Fkc/1540 on 04 November). Moderate level activity returned on 02
November due to an M4/Sn long duration flare at 02/2201 UTC from
Region 1339. On 03 November, activity increased to high levels when
beta-gamma-delta magnetic configuration Region 1339 produced an
X1/2b flare at 03/2027 UTC associated with a 620 sfu Tenflare. In
addition, the Region produced two M-class flares, an M2/Sf at
03/1111 UTC and an M2/1n at 03/2336 UTC. Activity returned to
moderate levels for the remainder of the period with Region 1339
producing six M-class events between 04 - 06 November, the largest
flare being an M3/1f at 05/0334 UTC.

A greater than 10 MeV proton enhancement began at about 04/0100 UTC,
peaked at 3.6 pfu at 04/0905 UTC and decayed to background levels by
midday on 05 November. The source of this enhancement was unknown.
Proton flux gradually returned to background levels during the
remainder of the period.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
normal levels on 31 October - 02 November and normal to moderate
levels 03 - 06 November.

The geomagnetic field ranged from quiet to severe storm levels. On
31 October, an active period was observed near the time solar wind
speed at ACE peaked at 450 km/s due to the effects of a favorably
positioned coronal hole high speed stream (CH HSS). On 01 November
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at approximately 0817 UTC, a shock arrival was observed at the ACE spacecraft and a sudden impulse (SI) of 18 nT was observed on the Boulder magnetometer at 01/0907 UTC. This transient passage brought geomagnetic activity up to severe storm levels at high latitudes and active to minor storm levels at mid latitudes. Persistent effects from the coronal transient carried over into 02 November with quiet to active levels and minor to major storm periods at high latitudes. Quiet activity prevailed on 03 - 06 November.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
09 November - 05 December 2011

Solar activity is expected to be at predominately low levels through the period. M-class activity is likely from 07 - 14 November with a slight chance for X-class activity all due to the complex nature of Region 1339. M-class probabilities decrease to a slight chance from 15 - 23 November, with a less than 10 percent chance for X-class activity after Region 1339 departs the visible disk on 14 November. Region 1339 is projected to return on 24 November, raising M-class probabilities for the remainder of the period.

A slight chance for a proton event exists from 07 - 14 November due to the complex nature of Region 1339. Proton event probabilities decrease after Region 1339 departs the visible disk on 14 November. Probabilities will increase slightly on 24 November when Region 1339 is projected to return if it remains as magnetically complex as it is this rotation.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at normal to moderate levels throughout the entire forecast period.

The geomagnetic field is expected to be generally quiet levels for the majority of the period. Quiet to unsettled levels are expected from 11 - 12 November due to a small, recurrent CH HSS and a weak CME observed on 08 November in association with a disappearing filament. Mostly quiet conditions are expected from 13 - 25 November. Quiet to unsettled conditions are expected on 26 - 27 November due to a recurrent CH HSS followed by a return to quiet levels for the remainder of the period.

1082. The ARRL Contest Update for November 9, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-09 05:01:11 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20111109041804.45FF823CE3@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 3922
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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NEW HF OPERATORS - THINGS TO DO

After a weekend of CQ WW slam dancing followed by the CW Sweepstakes,
you could be forgiven for taking a weekend off! But then get those
vocal cords ready for Phone Sweepstakes and the CW version of CQ WW.
And do make sure you have plenty of envelopes at the QSL bureau!

BULLETINS

There are no bulletins in this issue.

BUSTED QSOS

The right name for NO3M is Eric, not Ty. (Thanks, Bill WY3A)

CONTEST SUMMARY

Complete information for all contests follows the Conversation section

Nov 12-13

- CWops Monthly Mini-CWT Test (Nov 9)
- Worked All Europe DX Contest--Digital
- 10-10 Fall Digital QSO Party
- Japan International DX Contest--Phone
- OK-OM DX Contest--CW
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- Kentucky QSO Party
- CQ WE (Western Electric)

Nov 19-20

- ARRL EME Contest
- ARRL November Sweepstakes--Phone
- Collegiate ARC Championship--Phone
- SKCC Weekend Sprintathon--CW (Nov 17)
- NAQCC Monthly QRP Sprint--CW
- Mongolia DX Contest
- LZ DX Contest
- Feld-Hell Turkey Shoot Sprint
- All Austria 160 Meter Contest--CW
- RSGB Second 1.8MHz Contest--CW
- Homebrew and Oldtime Contest--CW
- Run For the Bacon--CW (Nov 21)

==> NEWS, PRESS RELEASES, AND GENERAL INTEREST

Your editor thoroughly enjoyed making off to KP4 for an incognito adventure in the CW Sweepstakes as NP4DX with ARRL Contest Branch Manager, Sean KX9X. Thanks to local KP4 hams KP4WW, WP3R, and WP3MW for their hospitality and assistance!

Claimed scores in the 2011 CQ Worldwide Phone contest shot through the roof compared to last year. In their many reports on the 3830 score-posting website <http://lists.contesting.com/_3830/2011-11/index.html>, operators report terrific openings on the higher bands and many more QSOs at higher rates than in recent memory. The number of submitted logs already exceeds 4000 just a few days after the contest - welcome back sunspots!

ARRL Sweepstakes Manager, Larry K5OT observes after encountering a few stations omitting their call signs from the Sweepstakes exchange, according to Sweepstakes rule 4.3 you must include your full call sign in the exchange. Leaving it out throws off the other station's copying rhythm and may cause requests for fills that waste time, plus you lose a "free" CQ for stations tuning by. Make sure your logging software includes the call sign as part of the exchange to be sent and also that the information is sent in the recommended order: number, precedence, call, check, and section. Get your SS CW log submitted <http://www.arrl.org/log-submission-instructions> and focus on the Phone weekend - there are already more than 750 logs submitted. Send yours in no matter what size...they are all important!

The ARRL 10 Meter Contest <arrl.org/10-meter> will be written up starting with the 2011 edition by new author, Scott Tuthill K7ZO. Given the wildly improved conditions, Scott will have plenty to write about after the dust settles in December. Scott is one of the crew at the Oregon super-station of NK7U that is featured in the latest National

Contest Journal. Breaking new ground already, Scott is in the final stages of completing a novel "pre-writeup" that will be posted on the contest's ARRL web page <http://arrl.org/10-meter>in a few days!

Icom <http://www.icom.co.jp/> - the prime plaque sponsor for ARRL Sweepstakes - is also sponsoring a different sort of contest this coming weekend. The first D-STAR QSO Party <http://www.icom.co.jp/world/d-starparty2011/> will run from Nov 11 through the 13th and emphasizes the worldwide connections afforded to handheld users anywhere within range of a D-STAR repeater.

Dave K5GN sent a link to a great story <http://www.frontiersman.com/articles/2011/10/30/local_news/doc4eacec3a63a91950785002.txt> about a 99-year-old ham in Alaska, Arlene "Buddy" Clay KL7OT. She originally moved to Alaska in 1944 with her husband Earl, KL7EM (SK) to be part of the Civil Aviation Authority's communications system. The CAA (predecessor to the FAA) set up teams - usually a husband and wife - to operate radio stations so that pilots could stay in contact with the ground as they flew over uninhabited areas. (Thanks, Dave K5GN)

The Contesting Wiki <http://wiki.contesting.com/> continues to grow and contains a wide source of hints, tips, kinks, and narrative. This is a great resource for those learning about radiosport. For those more experienced in the ways and means of contesting, consider lending some of your expertise to the site, as well! (Thanks, Hans K0HB)

Assisted by amateur radio, the British APEX team <http://hackaday.com/2011/10/23/beating-the-wrong-amateur-balloon-record/> managed to set several ballooning records although the record for altitude remains a bit out of reach. Not quite a ham radio record, but I think we can all enjoy the achievements of other amateur endeavors and hams were right there along the way, helping track the balloon almost all the way to its eastern landing in Poland or Russia.

In the realm of sunspots and stocks, no prediction is too flaky not to get some attention so it seems inevitable that a correlation between the two would eventually be proposed. A close look at the data <http://www.rickferri.com/blog/strategy/sunspots-and-market-prediction/> by Robert Ferri finds little of actual merit to the claim but the process of analysis makes for a good read. (Thanks, Mark K6UFO)

The latest EDN Ham Radio Today <http://www.edn.com/article/519742-Ham_radio_in_the_21st_century.php> column by Doug K1DG is a good survey of the amateur service for technical folks. You might want to bookmark this page for future reference when someone asks, "Do you still do that?"

Web Site of the Week - Could it be cool again to be a hands-on tinkerer? A recent Christian Scientist Monitor article <http://www.csmonitor.com/Innovation/Tech/2011/1101/Maker-Faire-Mad-science-for-the-masses> about the "Maker" movement - also known as Do-It-Yourself (DIY) - is

attracting a lot of kids to the workbench. Corporate America is noticing, with tools and parts selling well. Ham radio, being intensely hands-on, would seem to be a natural part of the DIY world - if only we can bring ourselves to participate in it! Look for a "Hackerspace" near you - or is that "Shackerspace"?

WORD TO THE WISE

Here are some various bits of homespun ham wisdom -

"QRP - when you care enough to send the very least (W4QO)"
"Aren't you glad you use QSK? Don't you wish everybody did?" (K8MP)
And not wanting to pass up the opportunity to chime in, "Not zero-beating stations means beating zero stations," by your editor.

==> SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

Craig K9CT is building what looks to be a spectacular contest station in the fields near Peoria, IL and you can take a tour in this YouTube video <http://youtu.be/BDheZj3bMOo> shot from a lofty perspective, indeed! You may remember a story about an accidental encounter between a concrete truck and the guy wires for the VHF+ tower but all has been repaired as you can see here. (Thanks, Ken WB9REQ)

A recent story about amateur rocketry garnered lots of attention and the project leader, Derek Deville, has been interviewed <http://interviews.slashdot.org/story/11/10/11/1451219/ask-derek-deville-about-high-altitude-amateur-rocketry>
about his activities on the Slashdot website. If you think this sounds like high-performance radio, you're not alone!

You may have heard HB9STEVE on the air over the weekend, honoring the memory of tech pioneer Steve Jobs. As this Computerworld video <http://www.computerworld.com/s/article/9221185/Video_Steve_Jobs_one_on_one_the_95_interview?pageNumber=2>
shows, Steve has something in common with many hams in his appreciation of Heathkit, discussed about five minutes into the interview. (Thanks, Peter AC7SB)

==> RESULTS AND RECORDS

VY1EI put a lot of smiles on Sweepstake operator faces last weekend - you can read all about Eric's experience in his post-contest writeup <http://lists.contesting.com/archives/html/3830/2011-11/msg00679.html> from the 3830 reflector. It's not all peaches and cream being sought after by a horde of stations! Way to go, Eric! The 3830 archives make great reading, by the way. (Thanks, Steve N2IC)

The question of how speeds are measured in the High-Speed Telegraphy (HST) competitions was recently answered by Barry W2UP. "HST CW speeds are in characters per minute. This differs from both PARIS (which is still used in RUFZ) and WPM...250 CPM is equivalent to 60 WPM letters, 89 WPM figures, and 72 WPM Mixed characters. They differ because all

figures are 5 dits/dahs long, while other characters vary in length and an average is used...it's a linear scale and you can extrapolate any other values using the ratios of CPM to WPM above."

Dink N7WA has fired up the online Soapbox comment collector <http://www.eskimo.com/%7Emwdink/3830/> for CQ WW and CW Sweepstakes. Valery R5GA has also launched his CQ WW Claimed Scores website <http://pileup.ru/cqww_ssb.php?year=2011> with lots of sorting and searching functions - enjoy!

OPERATING TIP

Keep an eye on that VFO - too many US call signs are heard out-of-band during CQ WW Phone, particularly when working stations operating split on 40 meters!

==> TECHNICAL TOPICS AND INFORMATION

How to get that deeply-buried PL-259 loosened? With so many cables and connectors packed into a station, it can be almost impossible to turn the shell of a PL-259 in the midst of a packed panel. Several readers have contributed ideas but the best I found involve a tool for the purpose. Mike W3MC and Mark N1UK recommend the Knipex "Micro Cobra <http://chadstoolbox.com/8701125knipexmicrocobra.aspx>" style pliers, nylon-jawed if you can find them. Your editor has found that heavy-duty spark plug boot pullers <http://www.amazon.com/OEM-25542-Spark-Plug-Pliers/dp/B0014WIUQY> also work and are available at a local auto-parts store. These can turn not only the UHF shells but N, BNC, and even F!

Tree N6TR has been fixing his Tailtwister with a new-style brake wedge. He developed this handy how-to guide <http://www.kkn.net/%7Etree/How%20to%20install%20the%205149320%20Tailtwister%20Brake%20Wedge%20assembly.pdf> for other rotator repair-ers.

This isn't a guaranteed engineering solution but if you are considering screw-in guy anchors for a tower and aren't sure which type is the correct type, Mike NF4L suggests asking what the local telephone and electric companies are using to hold up power poles. They will have already done considerable work to assess local soil conditions and selected the right model.

If you're tired of chasing the footswitch around under the operating desk, try a switch guard such as this Linemaster model <http://www.linemaster.com/Industrial/Accessory.aspx?catNo=AccessoriesGuards>. It holds the switch under your foot and the whole assembly can be moved around for comfort. (Thanks, Steve K6AW)

If you live in a location where ice can build up on your guy wires, watch out for melting ice sliding down into the Preform Big Grips - they can be knocked loose by a big enough impact! Dave W6NL suggests placing a small hose clamp around the end of the grip - this prevents

the grip from loosening due to an impact.

A recent Analog Dialogue <http://www.analog.com/library/analogdialogue>
article has possibilities in the SDR and test equipment world - the
circuitry for a sampling front-end
<http://www.analog.com/library/analogdialogue/archives/45-11/soundcard.html?utm_source=cheetah&utm_medium=email>
that uses a PC sound card to create a high-speed signal digitizer.

By studying how jump ropes bend in the wind, Princeton mechanical
engineers Jeffrey Aristoff and Howard Stone also came up with a
mathematical model
<http://news.sciencemag.org/sciencenow/2011/11/jumping-rope-by-the-numbers.html?ref=hp>
for how antennas and other flexible things are affected by air flow.
Now for a double-dutch dipole!

Technical Web Site of the Week - Now we know why high-pitched QRM
(phone or CW) is more annoying than low-pitch rumbling. A recent story
<http://news.sciencemag.org/sciencenow/2011/10/cover-your-ears.html?ref=hp>
in Science about fingernails on chalkboards (just the words make me
cringe) explains that it is the high-pitched tones do the dirty work.
If filtered out, the sounds are not nearly as aggravating. Time to
reach for that passband shift control!

==> CONVERSATION

Power Surge

It has been a LONG time since we have experienced HF contest conditions
like those during the past two weekends of CQ Worldwide Phone and ARRL
November CW Sweepstakes. Little Pistols and those of you new to HF -
wasn't that fun? Techs, you've doubtless grown weary of the "no meters
like 10 meters" nostalgia, surely thinking the pie-eyed old-timers must
have been making it up. Well, we may have gotten a little soggy with it
at times but now you know why! The long-suffering 10 meter operators at
the multi-multi stations must have felt like having been released from
the years of silent suffering immersed in receiver hiss and little
else.

Looking back through my old logs, 2005 and 2006 were the last years
for which there were extended, worldwide openings on 10 meters and the
band was clearly in decline by that point in the cycle. 15 held in
there for another year but soon HF contesting became a question of who
could hold a frequency on 20 meters or stay up all night doing low-band
battle. Roaring back to life earlier this year, though, sunspot cycle
24 has pumped adrenaline into contesters and RF into antennas around
the globe. If I were an alien outpost monitoring the Earth on HF, I
would think the planet is undergoing some kind of euphoric
electromagnetic eruption every week or so...well, aren't we?

During Worldwide, stations packed the 10 meter band well above 29 MHz
with good rate to be had. QSOs were even reported on 10 meter FM - it
IS a phone contest, after all! 15 meters and 20 meters were full and

busy at the same time. The decision wasn't which band was open but which band offered the highest point value, adding a whole new aspect of strategic challenges. During the CW Sweepstakes, conditions may have been TOO good - with so much activity on 17 and 12 meters, casual stations may have found the smorgasbord of DXing too attractive to stay with just one contest!

Combined with the near global ubiquity of spotting networks, the contest environment has suddenly switched from famine to feast as the networks dispense data at dazzling densities that a single-op just can't hope to keep up with. Watching the spots gush down the screen, I felt like I was watching the radiosport equivalent of the Matrix. With so many stations spotted so widely, the difficulty is not going to be pouncing on each spot but deciding which of the spots to ignore. All of the technology that has been deployed in order to acquire and broadcast information on a scarcity of stations now finds itself saturated at its input. How do we manage too much information instead of not enough? Combine that with an SDR-type display and you will be able to hear the neurons frying!

As an aside, I noticed a great deal of contest-related chatter on Facebook during the CQ Worldwide weekend. I'm sure there was plenty as well on Twitter and other social sites, including chat rooms and similar ham-focused groups. Remember that contest activity - meaning the communication of call signs and exchange information - is restricted to those six bands from 160 through 10 meters. Your posts shouldn't give the game away by providing information about where you're operating, when you're operating or going to operate, or what information you're handing out on the air. It's unreasonable in today's always-connected world to expect contesters to "go dark" during the competition - post if you must - just make sure the competing goes on "between the lines".

Another thing I've noted is that good conditions have a multiplier effect on activity - along with providing more multipliers, of course. The relationship between sunspot activity and the radiosport BIC Coefficient (Butt In Chair) is quite non-linear. The new ARRL 10 Meter Contest writeup author, Scott Tuthill K7ZO, shows this pretty clearly in his upcoming "pre-writeup" article mentioned earlier. With contacts abundant and attainable by the modest station, more operators find it easy to put in more hours in front of more radios. As the reported record scores attest, good conditions are making it possible to contact many new call signs around the world previously hidden by propagation. For example, the K3LR team logged 30% more contacts than the old multi-multi record by KC1XX from 1999. The blooming of ham radio around the world over the past decade is going to bear significant fruit.

So we have more hams on more bands making more contacts from more places - what's not to like? With the possible exception of the low-band specialists, we should all be pumped up about the next few years of great radio action. With all this great equipment and antennas

and so many more hams today, we are surely writing the story of the Good New Old Days with each contest. Say, what's that hot smell coming from the ionosphere? Power surge, anyone?

73, Ward N0AX

==> CONTESTS

9 November through 22 November

An expanded, downloadable version of QST's Contest Corral in PDF format <http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar> is available. Check the sponsor's Web site for information on operating time restrictions and other instructions.

HF CONTESTS

Worked All Europe DX Contest--Digital, from Nov 12, 0000Z to Nov 13, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST and serial (see web for QTC rules). Logs due: Nov 28. Rules <http://www.waedc.de/>

10-10 Fall Digital QSO Party--Digital, from Nov 12, 0001Z to Nov 13, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 28. Exchange: Call, name, 10-10 number, S/P/C. Logs due: Nov 28. Rules <http://www.ten-ten.org/>

Japan International DX Contest--Phone, from Nov 12, 0700Z to Nov 13, 1300Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST and JA prefecture or CQ Zone. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://jidx.org/>

OK-OM DX Contest--CW, from Nov 12, 1200Z to Nov 13, 1200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RST and serial or OK/OM district. Logs due: Dec 1. Rules <http://okomdx.crk.cz/>

Kentucky QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Nov 12, 1400Z to Nov 13, 0200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50, Frequencies: CW--1.815, 3.550, 7.050, 14.050, 21.050, 28.050, 50.090; SSB--1.855, 3.820, 7.240, 14.280, 21.390, 28.390, 50.190. Exchange: RST and KY county or S/P/C. Logs due: Dec 31. Rules <http://www.wkdxa.com/>

CQ WE (Western Electric)--Phone,CW,Digital, from Nov 12, 1900Z to Nov 14, 0500Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50-440. Exchange: Call, name, Bell QTH, yrs of svc (see web). Logs due: Dec 1. Rules <http://cqwe.cboh.org/>

SKCC Weekend Sprintathon--CW, from Nov 13, 0000Z to Nov 13, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Frequencies: Monthly on the second Sunday. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, name, SKCC nr or "none". Logs due: 5 days. Rules <http://www.skccgroup.com/>

NAQCC Monthly QRP Sprint--CW, from Nov 17, 0130Z to Nov 17, 0330Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Frequencies: Monthly on 2nd Tuesday or 3rd Wednesday local time (alternating). Exchange: RST, S/P/C, and NAQCC mbr nr or power. Logs due: 4 days. Rules <http://naqcc.info/>

Mongolia DX Contest--Phone,CW, from Nov 19, 0000Z to Nov 20, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RS(T) and CQ Zone. Logs due: Dec 31.

Rules <http://www.qsl.net/jt1kaa/radiosport.html>

LZ DX Contest--Phone,CW, from Nov 19, 1200Z to Nov 20, 1200Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST and ITU Zone or LZ district. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://lzdx.bfra.org/>

Feld-Hell Turkey Shoot Sprint--Digital, from Nov 19, 1600Z to Nov 19, 1800Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Frequencies: Monthly on 3rd Saturday. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, Feld-Hell member nr. Logs due: 5 days. Rules http://www.feldhellclub.org

All Austria 160 Meter Contest--CW, from Nov 19, 1600Z to Nov 20, 0700Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8. Exchange: RST, serial, OE district. Logs due: Dec 31. Rules <http://www.oevsv.at/>

ARRL November Sweepstakes--Phone, from Nov 19, 2100Z to Nov 21, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: Serial, category, call, check, ARRL sec. Logs due: Dec 6. Rules <http://www.arrl.org/contests>

Collegiate ARC Championship--Phone, from Nov 19, 2100Z to Nov 21, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: See ARRL Sweepstakes. Logs due: Dec 6. Rules <http://www.collegiatechampionship.org/rules/>

RSGB Second 1.8MHz Contest--CW, from Nov 19, 2100Z to Nov 20, 0100Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8. Exchange: RST, serial, UK district. Logs due: Dec 5. Rules <http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf>

Homebrew and Oldtime Contest--CW, from Nov 20, 1300Z to Nov 20, 1700Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-7. Exchange: RST, serial, and category. Logs due: Dec 20. Rules <http://www.qrpcc.de/contestrules/hotr.html>

Run For the Bacon--CW, from Nov 21, 0200Z to Nov 21, 0400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Frequencies: Monthly on 3rd Sunday night (local). Exchange: RST, S/P/C, Flying Pig nr or power. Rules <http://www.fpqrp.org/>

VHF+ CONTESTS

ARRL EME Contest--Phone,CW,Digital, from Nov 19, 0000Z to Nov 20, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 50-1296. Exchange: Call signs, sig rpt, acknowledgement. Logs due: Dec 20. Rules <http://www.arrl.org/contests>

Kentucky QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Nov 12, 1400Z to Nov 13, 0200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50, Frequencies: CW--1.815, 3.550, 7.050, 14.050, 21.050, 28.050, 50.090; SSB--1.855, 3.820, 7.240, 14.280, 21.390, 28.390, 50.190. Exchange: RST and KY county or S/P/C. Logs due: Dec 31. Rules <http://www.wkdxa.com/>

CQ WE (Western Electric)--Phone,CW,Digital, from Nov 12, 1900Z to Nov 14, 0500Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50-440. Exchange: Call, name, Bell QTH, yrs of svc (see web). Logs due: Dec 1. Rules <http://cqwe.cboh.org/>

==> LOG DUE DATES

9 November through 22 November

- November 10, 2011 ARS Spartan Sprint
<http://adventure-radio.org/wiki/index.php?title=Spartan_Sprint_Rules>
- November 15, 2011 Pennsylvania QSO Party
<http://www.nittany-arc.net/paqsorules.html>
- November 15, 2011 PODXS 070 Club 160m Great Pumpkin Sprint
<http://www.podxs070.com/160-meter-great-pumpkin-sprint>
- November 15, 2011 Makrothen RTTY Contest
<http://home.arcor.de/waldemar.kebsch/The_Makrothen_Contest/TMC_Rules.html>
- November 15, 2011 Iowa QSO Party
<https://sites.google.com/site/ottumwaamateurradioclub/iaqsoparty>
- November 15, 2011 MCG Autumn Sprint
<http://rw3rq.tamb.ru/sprint_eng.htm>
- November 16, 2011 CQ SA SSB Contest
<http://brcontest.com/modules/tinyd0/content/cqsa_ssb_us-en2010.pdf>
- November 17, 2011 Illinois QSO Party
<http://www.w9awe.org/ILQP%202011%20Rules.pdf>
- November 21, 2011 ARRL School Club Roundup
<http://www.arrl.org/school-club-roundup>
- November 21, 2011 DARC 10-Meter Digital Contest
<http://www.darc.de/referate/ukw-funksport/bild-und-schrift-wettbewerbe/corona-maerz/teiln
ahmebedingungen/>
- November 21, 2011 CQ Worldwide DX Contest, SSB
<http://www.cqww.com/rules.php>
- November 22, 2011 Microwave Fall Sprint
<http://www.svhfs.org/2011fallsprintrulesv1.pdf>
- November 22, 2011 Stew Perry Topband Challenge - Warmup
<http://jzap.com/k7rat/stew.rules.txt>
- November 22, 2011 ARRL Sweepstakes Contest, CW
<http://www.arrl.org/sweepstakes>
- November 22, 2011 NA Collegiate ARC Championship, CW
<http://www.collegiatechampionship.org/rules/>

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1083. ** MMMonVHF Newsletter / No.1 - WEEK 45/2011 **

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-09 10:19:47 UTC
From: MMMonVHF News Mailer <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <201111091009.pA9A9BXR019530@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 3923
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our lastet NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2011-11-09
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter, once a week (thursday)
from now on - if any special activities will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further detail please be so kind and watch our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you vy welcome for any
input and we do hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
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** Meteor Scatter: November 2011 - Enhanced activity from Leonids **

Leonids meteor shower may produce enhanced rates, with several peaks
in 2011. The encounter with ancient dust trails will produce some
faint meteors maxima superimposed to normal Leonids activity.
According to reserachers, ZHR enhancement may range from 10 to
200 hr-1. Have a look to shower predictions for November 2011 at
our MS-Propagationpage: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/ms.php
SOURCE: Massimo, IV3NDC, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

** IS0 short pedition story **

Hi EME gang, here is short story from our pedition, logs and final
version of our QSL http://www.ok1dfc.com/Peditions/IS0/is0.htm
We are preparing also DVD which will be presenting in future on EME
meetings. Thanks again to all for QSO and see you next time.
Regards Zdenek OK1DFC www.ok1dfc.com QRV EME 432-1296-2320-3400 MHz
SOURCE: Zdenek OK1DFC via [Moon-net]

** VK3UM Software UPDATE 9th Nov 2011 **

All of my Software programs have been updated to provide,
(automatically), full directory access rights. This will
overcome Vista and Win7 'default condition issues'. In
addition all programs now retain the last used Desktop
position and size. They still retain the full user full

screen size option (square Windows button) and this latest
option allows for retention of position and size as last used
(all are sizable), on your Desktop. Just download to update
if you wish.http://www.vk3um.com
SOURCE: Doug VK3UM via [VK-VHF] Reflector

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: 8P9 ; Square: GK03 ; Start: 2011-11-08 **
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A DL Team (consists of DL9MS & DL2NUD) will be active holiday style
from 8P9 (GK03) on HF and 6m as well 2m EME. LATEST NEWS by 8P9HP
TEAM, dated 2011-11-08 23:42: 8P9HP Team GE all... hope we start
tomorrow (09.11.) with 2m...was few problems with 220 from GK03gd
NEWS by Frank, DL8YHR, dated 2011-11-06: Hermann, Joachim and his
YL are booked on the early check in for their flights tomorrow
because of some vy bad trouble in my QRL and lots of work i changed
my plan to go... Well if only Joachim had to go i realy not changed
plan but Herman is a great person and im sure they will do a great
job... Activity will be Holidaystyle on the EME Bands and Joachim
told me they will look specially first for those people who also
sends out QSL cards... More news soon... DL8YHR Frank
SOURCE: tnx to 8P9-TEAM direct to MMMonVHF

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** DX Operation: Ascension Island (II22TB) **

Tom, K7ZZ (ZD8ZZ) and Al, W6HGF (ZD8F) will be active from Green
Mountain, Garden Cottage (WW Loc. II22TB), Ascension Island (IOTA
AF-003, WLOTA 1491), from 7-22 November, 2011. Tom will focus on CW,
and Al will focus on RTTY; both will operate SSB at times. There
may be some 6 metre opening opportunity. It appears that there is
no internet available for us on the mountain. QSL via home calls,
direct only. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW. Logsearch and QSL info
available at: www.qsl.net/w6hgf/ZD8F-index.html
SOURCE: [W6HGF] via ICPO Bulletin (04-11 November 2011)

** C21AA - Nauru (IOTA OC-031, Grid Loc. RI39) Expedition **

10th November thru to 6th December, 2011 - It is possible that he
will be on the air in a limited manner prior to the official launch

date. They expect to have 6 operators and 3 stations active on all bands 160-6m, CW/SSB/RTTY/PSK31. A dedicated station will be setup on 6 metres running in interupted beacon mode. The team will participate in the CQ WW DX Contest as a M/M or M/2 entry. Operators include Eddie VK4AN, Bill VK4FW, Eric VK4NEF, Art NJ7N, Jay W5SL and Tim NL8F. QSLing will be handled by the Pacific DXers, or via bureau to VK4FW. QSL's provided by VK4FW Print. The Pacific DXers DXpedition Kit will be used, plus additional equipment provided by operators. No 'spot' frequencies will be published. Watch the DX reflectors for their QRG's. An online log will be updated on a regular basis (if possible). Website: pacific-dxers.com/C21AA.html
[dx-world.net] via ICPO Bulletin (04-11 November 2011)

** TUVALU (RI91OL) DXpedition - November 11 to December 8 2011 **

With the Pacific DXers postponing their DXpedition to Nauru (see C2 above), the group has reorganzied their first DXpedition to Vaiaku, Fongafale islet, Funafuti Atoll, Tuvalu Islands (IOTA OC-015, WW Loc. RI91OL) to take place between 11 November and 8 December, 2011. Callsign will be T2T. Operators include Eddie VK4AN, Bill VK4FW, Eric VK4NEF, Tim NL8F, Jay K4ZLE and Julian W5SL Plans are to be QRV on all HF bands, 160-6 metre CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. They expect to have at least 3 stations on the air with a dedicated station set up on 6 metres running in an interrupted beacon mode. QSL Manager is the Pacific DXers, or by the bureau via VK4FW. Bureau requests are also accepted by E-mail to eliminate sending your QSL via the bureau (saves time!). PLEASE NOTE: VK4FW is the current QSL Manager for Pacific DXers: Bill Horner, 13 McConnell Rd, Maidenwell, QLD 4615, Australia --or-- via E-mail: QSL-Mgr"at"pacific-dxers.com . LoTW and eQSL will be uploaded within 12 months after the operation finishes. Further information and updates at: c21.pacific-dxers.com/T2T.html
SOURCE: [OPDX Bulletin] via ICPO Bulletin (04-11 November 2011)

** PJ5, SINT EUSTATIUS (Update) **

Just a reminder that Gerd, DL7VOG, will be active as PJ5/DL7VOG from Sint Eustatius Island (NA-145) between November 13th and December 4th. His three week operation will also include the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as PJ5G. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using mainly CW and RTTY, but he will have a microphone with him just in case someone really needs a phone QSO. Operations will be with a focus on the lower bands and listening for JA stations during his sunset and sunrise. As always, Gerd will be using his IC-706MK2G (this time with an amp) into an HF9VX for 80-6m and an inverted "L" (on a 15m fiberglass pole) for 160m. QSL via his home callsign, Bureau is preferred or direct. Bureau E-mail requests can be sent to: qsl@dl7vog.de

SOURCE: [GOLIST] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1035

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE-Malpelo DXpedition 2012 Nov. 2, 2011:

Three members of the Malpelo 2012 team have just completed a seven day reconnaissance visit to Malpelo. To see a short written summary of their observations and view some very revealing pictures, go to http://hk0na.com/hk0na-reconnaissance-trip-oct-2330/ This will be a very demanding DXpedition for several reasons. The terrain is particularly difficult, near vertical at times. And in order to have a clear radio view of Asia, the Pacific region and W6/W7; it will be necessary to locate operating site(s) and antennas at the top of the mountain. This further complicates the difficulties and physical risks to the team. Team members vary in age from 25 to 73. But under the leadership and constant urging of our teamï¿½s medical doctors, K9SG and W0GJ, we have all embarked on a physical training regimen. We should all be ready for the challenges come early 2012. Three members of the team K4UEE, N4GRN and W6IZT will travel to Colombia Nov.5-8 for a planning meeting with team leader, Jorge HK1R and other team members. The purpose of the meeting is to review all the checklists and responsibilities for each team member With the information gained on the recent reconnaissance visit, decisions can be finalized concerning camp/operating sites, antenna types and placement, safety measures and other critical decisions necessary to the ultimate success for the DXpedition. One critical decision to be made concerns the duration of the operation. We have permission to stay on site for 17 days versus the 14 days now planned. We will be reviewing the DXpedition budget to determine if we can afford the extra $15,000 expense for 3 additional days. Contributions are gratefully accepted at:www.hk0na.com/sponsors We plan periodic press releases with information of interest. Also, watch the website for breaking news. Thanks, Jorge Prieto, HK1R-DXpedition leader, Bob Allphin, K4UEE-co-leader, Gregg Marco, W6IZT-co-leader - SOURCE: Carl, N4AA, via GOTO List

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** Many thanks to all our USER who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
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The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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1084. SARL News in English 9/11/2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-09 10:43:47 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <69115EB7D15846468DF935A046178A3E@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 3924
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1085. Re: get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-09 23:16:12 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <93057c97-3178-472d-9d58-132d72c09a23@o13g2000vbo.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3925
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner.flame_fest,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.cb

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On Oct 23, 1:06 pm, kb9rqz <m...@kb9rqz.com> wrote:
> On Oct 23, 1:54 pm, kb9rqz <m...@kb9rqz.com> wrote:
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> > On Oct 23, 12:26 am, "Anon" <anon@anon> wrote:
>
> > > Mark suffers from a severe gender identity crisis.
> > > One day he is "straight", the next day he is bisexual, and the next day he
> > > can't decide.
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> > wrong- Hide quoted text -
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1086. HOT VIDEOS SEXY ROMANTIC PHOTOS DOWNLOAD

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-10 06:40:46 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <c2073a47-afdd-48f4-96cf-eb3d84e0107b@m26g2000prn.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3926

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1087. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-10 21:03:20 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <5471a456-1384-4bd1-ad4e-b8fa71543dd3@w1g2000vba.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3927

On Nov 10, 1:40 am, 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdg...@gmail.com> wrote:
>
can the spam

1088. The ARRL Letter for November 10, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-11 03:58:24 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20111111001144.2758D26F1AA@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 3928
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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==> + USA BRINGS HOME GOLD AT 2011 HIGH SPEED TELEGRAPHY WORLD
CHAMPIONSHIPS

Back in September 1936, Eugene A. Hubbell, W9ERU, took home the
silver trophy at what the October 1936 issue of QST called the first
official "Amateur Code Speed Contest." Only making one error, Hubbell
won first prize with his winning speed of receiving 52.2 words per
minute. Held at the ARRL Central Division Convention that year, the
contest required operators to decipher plain language text at two
minute intervals that ranged in speed from 25 to 52.7 words per minute.
But things have changed since Hubbell made history. Today, individuals
all over the world compete in High Speed Telegraphy (HST) events where
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they are challenged to correctly receive and copy Morse code transmissions sent at very high speeds, upwards of 300 characters a minute.

According to Barry Kutner, W2UP, HST has long been considered a sport in Europe, especially Eastern Europe, similar to chess or an Olympic sport. This year, Team USA -- consisting of Kutner, Kennan Low, KE3X, and Kody Low, K3ODY - placed 10th at the Ninth High Speed Telegraphy IARU World Championship in Bielefeld, Germany this past October. Kutner won a gold medal -- the first in HST history to a non-European -- in the pileup competition, and a bronze medal in the RUFZ competition. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/usa-brings-home-gold-at-2011-high-speed-telegraphy-world-championships>.

==> + RECORD NUMBER OF FRESHMEN TAKE TECH EXAM AT CALIFORNIA UNIVERSITY

When 114 freshmen electrical engineering students at California Polytechnic State University in San Luis Obispo, California, gathered on Friday, November 4 to take their Technician exam, they made history. Not only was the session one of the largest exam sessions ever, it was the largest exam session sponsored by a college Amateur Radio club and the largest exam session ever held in San Luis Obispo County. After all the exams were graded, 96 of the 114 students were brand new licensed amateurs, joining the next generation of radio amateurs in the US. Hosted by the Cal Poly Amateur Radio Club, this exam session broke its previous record of 62 new licensees, set earlier this year in October. These 96 new Amateur Radio operators will join more than 700,000 other hams in the US in providing volunteer and emergency communications support for everything from local bike rides and parades to global disaster relief. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/california-university-sees-record-number-of-freshmen-take-tech-exam>.

==> + KIRK PICKERING, K4RO, NAMED 14TH EDITOR OF NCJ

Kirk Pickering, K4RO, of Pegram, Tennessee, has been named Editor of the National Contest Journal (NCJ), beginning with the January/February 2012 issue. Pickering takes over from Al Dewey, K0AD, of Plymouth, Minnesota, who has served as NCJ Editor since 2008. Pickering, who has been licensed since 1976, began writing the "Contesting 101" column in NCJ in 2008. "I've been chasing DX since 1986, and in 1994, I began entering contests. My current interests are mostly contesting and DXing. I tend to enjoy CW contesting the most, but I do RTTY and phone contests, too. I also like to tinker in the workshop and learn about how this magic medium of radio works." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/kirk-pickering-k4ro-named-14th-editor-of-em-ncj-em>.

==> + GET READY FOR THE DECEMBER ISSUE OF QST

The December issue of QST is jam-packed with all sorts of things that today's Amateur Radio operator needs. From product reviews to experiments to contesting -- including an expanded holiday advertising guide and the 2011 ARRL Field Day results -- the upcoming issue of QST has something for just about everyone.

If you are looking for something new to try during the cold winter months, why not rise to the challenge of QRP CW operating? In his article "A 2 W Logic Chip Transmitter," Lew Smith, N7KSB, presents an easy-to-duplicate transmitter that you can put together in no time at all. Once you have your transmitter ready to go, you'll need to hook it up to an antenna. But what kind of antenna? ARRL Technical Editor Joel Hallas, W1ZR, takes a look at some HF beam options in his article "How About an HF Beam Under Your Holiday Tree?"

With the ARRL turning 100 in just a little more than two years, many here at ARRL Headquarters have been looking to the past as we make plans for for the future. An organization rich in history, the ARRL has been looking for ways to keep that history alive for years to come. One of the ways we are doing so is by archiving the many photos and documents we have, many going back to the very early days of radio. Join ARRL Volunteer Archivist Michael Marinaro, WN1M, as he explains how the ARRL is preserving our history in his article "Ham History SOS."

Many hams spend all year gearing up for ARRL Field Day, the most popular on-the-air operating event in all of Amateur Radio. For those hard-core Field Day aficionados, the December issue of QST is one of the most anticipated issues all year -- this is the issue with the Field Day results! This year, join ARRL Field Day Manager Dan Henderson, N1ND, as he travels through literature to bring readers the annual Field Day results article. You will also find official announcements for upcoming contests and operating events: the ARRL January VHF Sweepstakes, the ARRL International DX Contest (both SSB and CW), the ARRL Rookie Roundup (CW), Kids Day, the ARRL RTTY Roundup and the ARRL Straight Key Night. The results from the 2011 ARRL June VHF QSO Party are also in the December issue.

ARRL Contributing Editor H. Ward Silver, N0AX, takes a look at the FlexRadio Systems FLEX-1500 software defined HF+6 meter QRP transceiver in this month's Product Review. He says this rig "provides excellent performance at an entry level price, assuming you have a satisfactory PC to host it. The Flexers, an active community of SDR enthusiasts, will become your best friends. If you want a portable or mobile radio or don't like to use computer interface devices, I'd recommend staying with a traditional stand-alone rig; however, if you want to experiment and jump into SDR, the FLEX 1500 makes for an easy route."

Of course, there are the usual columns you know and expect in the December QST: Happenings, Hints & Kinks, The Doctor Is IN, Technical Correspondence, How's DX, Vintage Radio and more. Look for your December issue in your mailbox. QST is the official journal of ARRL, the national association for Amateur Radio. QST is just one of the many

benefits of ARRL membership. To join or renew your ARRL membership, please see the ARRL Web page <https://www.arrl.org/join-arrl-renew-membership/>.

==> + LOTW PROCESSING UPDATE

Logbook of The World (LoTW <http://www.arrl.org/logbook-of-the-world>) has been managing to hold its own against the current high volume of incoming logs. An approximate 60 hour processing delay has been maintained for about a week. As of November 9, there are approximately 2.8 million QSOs in the LoTW queue. Many logs are still coming in from the CQ WW and the ARRL Sweepstakes Contests that were held the last two weekends. If you have already uploaded a log, there is no need to upload it again. By doing so, you will only add to the lengthy queue. Also, please do not send entire logs that contain previously uploaded QSOs. Please use the date range option when signing logs. This will allow you to select QSOs from your log within a specific date range. By following these guidelines, this will allow LoTW to process the backlog at a faster pace. The ARRL IT staff has been working diligently to speed up the LoTW processing time and eliminate the backlog. Thanks again for your patience.

==> THE SIXTH ANNUAL ARRL ON-LINE AUCTION COMES TO A CLOSE

After a week of frenzied bidding, the Sixth Annual ARRL On-Line Auction ended with a bang on October 26. The 2011 running of the auction featured almost 200 items, ranging from high-end Product Review equipment to a great assortment of antique books. In addition to bidders from the US, the auction saw winning bids from Canada, Italy, Japan, China and Brazil. According to Auction Coordinator Deb Jahnke, K1DAJ, bidding was fierce for the Yaesu FT-DX 5000D HF/6 meter transceiver that ultimately went to a bidder in China who placed a winning bid of $4925. This rig was featured in the December 2010 issue of QST as a Product Review item. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/the-sixth-annual-arrl-on-line-auction-comes-to-a-close>.

==> ARRL SAYS "THANK YOU" TO VETERANS

On Friday, November 11, here in the US and abroad, we will celebrate Veterans Day, also called Remembrance Day or Armistice Day. Originally a holiday that marked the end of World War I -- the "War to End All Wars" -- this day has been set aside to honor all who have served their country. It was on November 11, 1918, on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month, that Germany signed the Armistice, formally ending the hostilities that had been ongoing since 1914.

The ARRL would like to take this opportunity to thank our service veterans. Whether they served on active duty or reserve, during peace time or time of conflict, they served their county with honor. We also would be remiss if we did not remember the families of those veterans who kept the homefires burning bright; without their love and support,

our veterans would have indeed been alone.

ARRL Headquarters has its share of service veterans: Contributing Editor Al Brogdon, W1AB (Army); Publications Sales Associate Mark Dzamba, KB1FMY (Air Force); Assistant VEC Manager Perry Green, WY1O (Army); Technical Editor Joel Hallas, W1ZR (Army); News Editor S. Khrystyne Keane, K1SFA (Coast Guard); DXCC Manager Bill Moore, NC1L (Army); Reprints Specialist Tony Nesta, AA1RZ (Navy); Membership and Volunteer Programs Manager Dave Patton, NN1N (Navy); Technical Relations Specialist Jon Siverling, WB3ERA (Army); Field and Regulatory Correspondent Chuck Skolaut, K0BOG (Air Force), and Education & Technology Program Coordinator Mark Spencer, WA8SME (Air Force).

Thank you for your service -- your sacrifice and the sacrifice of your fellow service members is not forgotten.

==> ARRL COMMITTEE SEEKS MICROWAVE BAND PLAN INPUT

Attention microwavers! An ARRL Ad Hoc Committee has been tasked by the Board of Directors with recommending updates to the ARRL band plans for the amateur bands between 902 MHz and 3.5 GHz. If you are now active on any of these bands or are developing plans to do so, the committee would like to hear from you.

The band plans for these bands may be found here <http://www.arrl.org/band-plan-1>:

- 902-928 MHz
- 1240-1300 MHz
- 2300-2310 and 2390-2450 MHz
- 3300-3500 MHz

You can find additional background and a form for submitting information here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-committee-seeks-microwave-band-plan-input>. Please respond by December 15, 2011.

==> + DAVE KAPLAN, WA1OUI, TAKES OVER ADMINISTRATION OF ARRL A-1 OPERATOR CLUB

The ARRL relies on a number of volunteers who give their time to help make the organization run smoothly. From Division Directors to Section Managers to Emergency Coordinators to tour guides at Headquarters and everyone in between, volunteers play an important part in carrying out the ARRL's mission: To promote and advance the art, science and enjoyment of Amateur Radio. Dave Kaplan, WA1OUI, is one of the volunteer tour guides at ARRL Headquarters. Recently, he agreed to take on the role of administrator for the ARRL A-1 Operator Club. First organized in May 1933, the ARRL A-1 Operator Club has a proud history and occupies an important place in Amateur Radio tradition. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/dave-kaplan-wa1oui-takes-over-administration-of-arrl-a-1-operator-club>.

==> + W1AW ANNOUNCES WINTER OPERATING SCHEDULE

With the switch from Daylight Saving Time to Standard Time, W1AW Station Manager Joe Carcia, NJ1Q, has updated the W1AW operating schedule to reflect the change. The standard times have not changed, but the UTC times have. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/w1aw-announces-winter-operating-schedule-1>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "We're out there having fun in the warm California Sun <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Yy57Xdk9u0o>" Cook, K7RA, reports: Another sunspot number record for Solar Cycle 24 was shattered: On Wednesday, November 9, the daily sunspot number reached 220, the highest it has been in more than eight years. The last time the sunspot number was higher than 220 was November 1, 2003 when the number was 277. Two days before it reached 277 in 2003, the sunspot number was 330, a harder record to beat. The average daily sunspot numbers this week rose more than 53 points compared to last week, to 153.4, while the average daily solar flux rose nearly 39 points to 173.7. The latest prediction from NOAA/USAF has solar flux at 180 on November 10-11, 175 on November 12-13, 170 on November 14-16, and 165, 155, 155, 145, 140, 135, 135 and 140 on November 17-24. The planetary A index is predicted at 5, 10, 18 and 10 on November 10-13, then 5 on November 14-25. The A index of 18 on November 12 seems to reflect a warning from IPS Radio and Space Services (in Australia) at 2330 UTC on November 9. It announced expected increased geomagnetic activity November 10-12, with quiet conditions on November 10, unsettled to active with isolated minor storm levels on November 11 and quiet to unsettled with isolated active levels on November 12. Geophysical Institute Prague says look for quiet to unsettled conditions November 11, unsettled to active November 12, quiet to unsettled again on November 13 and quiet November 14-17. Look for more information on the ARRL website on Friday, November 11. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by The Rivieras' California Sun.

==> JARL WELCOMES NEW PRESIDENT

The Japan Amateur Radio League (JARL <http://www.jarl.or.jp/English/>) named a new President and two new Vice Presidents, effective November 1, 2011. Akira Inage, JA5MG, will take over the presidency from Shozo Hara, JA1AN. Hara has served as JARL President for more than 35 years. "Mr Hara led the JARL with great distinction for more than 35 years, including a period of phenomenal growth," remarked ARRL Chief Executive Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ. "It has been a great privilege to collaborate with him in protecting and promoting Amateur Radio worldwide." Kazuo Niwa, JA1AYO, and Norimasa Nemoto, JH1UBU, will serve as the new JARL Vice Presidents.

==> NEW QUICKSTATS POLL NOW AVAILABLE ON ARRL WEBSITE

Four new poll questions have just been published on the QuickStats page <http://www.arrl.org/quickstats> on the ARRL website. Let your voice be heard!

Questions in this month's QuickStats poll:

- Do you still keep a station log on paper?
- Have you ever performed an RF Safety evaluation for your home station?
- How familiar are you with Software Defined Radio (SDR)?
- Now that propagation is improving, are you operating more often on 15, 12 and 10 meters?

Visit the QuickStats page <http://www.arrl.org/quickstats> and be sure to bookmark it in your browser. Results from this QuickStats poll will be published in the February 2012 issue of QST on the QuickStats page, located in the rear advertising section of the magazine. Along with monthly poll results, QST QuickStats offers colorful charts and graphs that highlight interesting Amateur Radio statistics.

==> THIS WEEK ON THE RADIO

This week:

- November 12-13 -- Kentucky QSO Party; WAE DX Contest (RTTY); 10-10 International Fall Contest (Digital); JIDX Phone Contest; OK/OM DX Contest (CW); CWops Mini-CWT Test
- November 12-14 -- CQ-WE Contest
- November 13 -- SKCC Weekend Sprint
- November 14 -- NAQCC-EU Monthly Sprint
- November 17 -- NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint

Next week:

- November 18 -- YO International PSK31 Contest
- November 19 -- Feld Hell Sprint
- November 19-20 -- ARRL EME Contest <November%2018%20--%20YO%20International%20PSK31%20Contest>; LZ DX Contest
- November 19-21 -- ARRL Sweepstakes Contest (SSB) <http://www.arrl.org/sweepstakes>; North America Collegiate ARC Championship (SSB)
- November 21 -- Run for the Bacon QRP Contest
- November 23 -- SKCC Sprint
- November 23-24 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- November 19-20, 2011 -- ARRL Indiana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/indiana-state-convention-fort-wayne-hamfest-and
-computer-expo>,
Fort Wayne, Indiana
- December 3-4, 2011 -- ARRL West Central Florida Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-central-florida-section-convention-tampa-b
ay-hamfest-1>,
Palmetto, Florida
- January 8, 2012 -- ARRL New York/Long Island Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/new-york-long-island-section-convention-ham-rad
io-university-2012>,
Bethpage, New York
- January 27-28, 2012 -- ARRL Mississippi State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/mississippi-state-convention-capitol-city-hamfe
st-1>,
Jackson, Mississippi
- February 4, 2012 -- ARRL Virginia State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/virginia-state-convention-frostfest-2012>,
Richmond, Virginia; ARRL South Carolina State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/south-carolina-state-convention-1>,
Ladson, South Carolina
- February 10-12, 2012 -- ARRL Northern Florida Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/northern-florida-section-convention-orlando-ham
cation-1>,
Orlando, Florida
- February 17-18, 2012 -- ARRL Southwestern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southwestern-division-convention-1>,
Yuma, Arizona
- February 18, 2012 -- ARRL Arkansas Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arkansas-section-convention-1>, Hoxie,
Arkansas
- February 25, 2012 -- ARRL Vermont State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/vermont-state-convention-ham-con-2>,
South Burlington, Vermont

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Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1787 - November 11 2011

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1787 with a release date of
Friday, November 11th, 2011 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. A possible record ham radio testing session
takes place in California, hams in Italy respond to flooding in
Tuscany, Russia says it will remove taxi communications from 10 meters,
the Japan Amateur Radio League gets a new president, some radio records
set down under and a dream comes true for one ham at the New York City
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RADIO TESTING: CAL POLY SLO TESTS 114 IN ONE SITTING - 96 PASS HAM
EXAM

Its being called one of the biggest if not the biggest college level
ham radio exam sessions in history. That's when a record number of
Electrical Engineering freshman students at Cal Poly San Louis Obispo
attempted to get their technician-class licenses, all at the same time.
And many succeeded as we hear from Amateur Radio Newsline's Jim
Hendershot, WA6VQP:

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On Friday, November 4th, what is likely a record 114 college students
were given their ham radio tests in the largest amateur radio licensing
event ever held in San Luis Obispo county, California. more
importantly, 96 of these students succeeded in passing their technician
class exam joining the next generation of ham radio operators licensed
in the united states.

Dr. Dennis Derickson , AC0P, is the Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo
Electrical Engineering Department chair. He conceived the freshman
licensing initiative, which gives every student a chance to get their
radio license as part of the introduction to electrical engineering
course curriculum.

Hosted by the cal poly amateur radio club, W6BHZ, the test session was
administered during a 50-minute class period and counted as one of the
midterm exams for the freshman students. Eleven volunteer examiners
assisted in checking id's and overseeing the exam along with a dozen

other people who helped to coordinate the testing event.

Of the 189 students enrolled in the class, 114 opted to take the fcc exam and attempt to get their licenses. The 85% that succeeded had their callsigns posted to the FCC website on Monday, November 6th, thanks to a tremendous effort on the part of the ARRL VEC office to quickly process the exam session results.

Prior to the test session, members of the Cal Poly Amateur Radio Club held review meetings to help students prepare to pass their exam. At the same time they were also given an introduction to a wide variety of electrical engineering topics.

It is likely that the November 4th session is the largest amateur radio license testing event ever held at the collegiate level. Sponsors hope that it might spur other colleges and universities nationwide and world-wide to do the same.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, this is former Cal Poly student and W6BHZ member, Jim Hendershot, WA6VQP, reporting.

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Founded in 1947, the Cal Poly Amateur Radio Club has a long tradition of communications service on campus and in the San Luis Obispo community area. The club maintains a station campus for the San Luis Obispo Emergency Communications Council. This station is equipped with emergency power and radio equipment to support various public safety agencies in the event of a disaster. More information about the club can be found at www.w6bhz.org. (Cal Poly SLO)

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RESCUE RADIO: HAMS IN ITALY RESPOND TO TUSCANY FLOODS

Ham radio is in emergency response mode in Italy. This following flash flooding in the Liguria and Tuscany regions of which have already accounted for the deaths of ten people in that region.

The Amateur Radio Voluntary communications group R-N-R-E has been asked by the government to provide additional radio communications in the affected areas that began on Friday November 4th. Frequencies which may be used in Italy are 3.643 and 3.760 MHz on 80 meters and 7.045 to 7.060 MHz on 40. Amateurs world-wide not directly involved in flood related communications are asked to listen carefully before using these frequencies to avoid causing QRM to emergency nets.

Further heavy rain is striking the region as we go to air and additional casualties are expected due to increased flooding. (IARU Region 1)

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RESCUE RADIO: THAI HAMS HAVE ALREADY SAVED 1000 LIVES

Some breaking news from the Far-East. That's where Radio Amateur Society of Thailand Secretary Paul Wacharaphol, HS4DDQ, reports his team helped to save almost 1,000 lives by coordinating rescue communications in cases of medical emergencies during the severe flooding.

The team has been organizing the emergency medical communications at Public Health Ministry using the callsign HS0AC. Speaking at a small society gathering on Sunday November 6, HS4DDQ said that the National Broadcasting and Telecommunications Commission has praised the role that radio amateurs have been playing to help people cope with the disaster by providing communications support. This has been especially helpful in flooded areas where cellular sites have failed.

According to HS4DDQ Thai government agencies have been able to take advantage of the amateur radio communications as their own networks failed. Using the skills and experience of the radio amateurs, the government agencies kept communicating with one another under adverse conditions. HS4DDQ says that this volunteer spirit that has carried radio amateurs to the "front-line" has also helped many victims of Thailand's worst flooding in over 60 years.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, Im Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the newsroom in Los Angeles. (IARU R3 Disaster Communications Committee and RAST.)

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INTRUDER WATCH: RUSSIA SAYS IT WILL GO AFTER ILLEGAL TAXI DRIVERS ON 10 METERS

Russia says that it is going to do all that it can to remove illegal taxicab two-way radio operations from the 10 meter amateur band. Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP, has the details:

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In a letter to Uli Bihlmayer, DJ9KR, Deputy Director Mickoli Valamow of Russia's Radio Frequency Service has promised to arrange permanent monitoring of the 10 meter band for illegal CB - like operations and to deal with them.

In October of 2010, DJ9KR, petitioned Russia's Intruder Watch for assistance to help remove from the air the ever growing number of illegal taxis speaking in the Russian language and using FM in the 28.00 to 29.70 MHz amateur band. He received no reply.

So on September 29th he filed the complaint to Russia's Radio Frequency Service in Moscow. A month late on October 31st he received the response that he and many others across Europe had hoped for. Russia will act to remove the illegal operators from the airwaves.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP, in Scottsdale, Arizona.

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How long the clean-up of the 10 meter illegals' by Russian telecommunications authorities will take is at this time unknown. (IARU-R1)

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RESTRUCTURING: CEPT TO PROPOSE NEW 500 KHZ ALLOCATION AT WRC-12

The European Conference of Postal and Telecommunications Administrations better known to radio amateurs as the C-E-PT says that it plans to back a proposal at the 2012 World Radiocommunication Conference to create a new ham radio allocation near 500 kHz.

During the November 1st to 4th meeting of the CEPT's WRC-2 Conference Preparatory Group held in Bucharest, Romania a European Common Proposal was agreed on for a 5 watt Effective Radiated Power allocation to the amateur service between 472 to 480 kHz. This new band would be on a secondary basis to all other spectrum users. . This European Conference of Postal and Telecommunications Administrations ECP will now be forwarded the proposal to the International Telecommunications Union in the hope of having it included in the WRC-012 agenda. It should be noted that tjhis internsational body represents the block vote of 48 administrations and the motion to create the 500 kHz amateur radio allocation was passed without dissent. (IARU - R1 via G3PSM)

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ENFORCEMENT: $10000 PROPOSED FINE ISSUED TO FLORIDA CB OPERATOR

A Florida CB operator has been issued a $10000 Notice of Apparent Liability to Forfeiture for operating a radio transmitter without the requisite FCC authorization. In other words, Michael Perry, of Cross City is accused of using non FCC certified power amplifiers on the 11 meter Class D Citizens Band in direct violation of Sections 95.409 and 95.411 of the Commission's Part 95 Citizens Radio Service rules.

This one goes back to this past March 31st. That's when agents from the Enforcement Bureau's Tampa Office used direction finding to locate the source of the interference on Citizens Band channel 28 that was coming from Perry's residence.

Later that day the agents inspected Perry's CB station and found a non-certificated CB transmitter and three linear amplifiers as part of Perry's CB station. Perry admitted to the agents that two of the three

linear amplifiers were capable of generating a power output of 200 and 1500 watts respectively, but claims that he had never tested the third.

The agents observed that the transmitter and two of the amplifiers were warm to the touch, indicating that the devices had been recently operated. Perry admitted to the agents that he had been using earlier that day.

In issuing Perry the Notice of Apparent Liability to Forfeiture the FCC says that Section 95.411(a) of the Rules states that CB operators may not attach external radio power amplifiers to CB transmitters in any way. It also notes that Section 95.411(b) says that there are no exceptions to this rule and that use of a power amplifier voids authority to operate the station.

As a result, the FCC believes that a proposed fine of $10,000 is apropos in this case. In addition it has also directed Perry to submit a statement signed under penalty of perjury that, to the extent he is engaged in CB operations that he will only use a certified CB transmitter; and not attach any outboard power amplifier to his CB station.

This statement must be provided to the Tampa Office within thirty calendar days of the November 1st release date of the N-A-L. The FCC added that failure of Perry to comply with this requirement could subject the licensee to additional enforcement action.

At airtime it's unknown if Perry plans to file an appeal. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: NYC PROPOSED $4000 WRONG FREQUENCY FINE REDUCED TO $500

In an October 21st Memorandum Opinion and Order the FCC has reduced a proposed $4000 fine down to $500. This based on the regulatory body receiving proof that the $4000 amount would prove to be a financial hardship to Paisa 2 Car and Limousine Service, Inc. of Woodside New York.

As previously reordered, back on October 5, 2009, the Enforcement Bureau's New York Office issued to Paisa a Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture in the amount of $4,000. This after finding that Paisa apparently willfully and repeatedly violated section 1.903(a) of the Rules by operating a base station and mobile stations on an unauthorized frequency.

Paisa did not file a response to the N-A-L and on June 18, 2010, the Enforcement Bureau's Northeast Region issued a Forfeiture Order affirming the findings and affirming the $4,000 forfeiture. After receiving this notification, Paisa responded with a petition for reconsideration in which it claimed that it never received the original N-A-L and speculating that it was mistakenly delivered to one of the other two businesses that are located at the same mailing address. In

support of this claim, Paisa submitted documentation showing that two other businesses share Paisa's mailing address. Paisa also claimed that it did not know it was operating on an unauthorized frequency because the base station and mobile radios were programmed by Paisa's radio vendor. Paisa also requested a reduction or cancellation of the forfeiture based on its inability to pay and presented to required documentation to the FCC for it to consider.

After reviewing all of the data that Paisa 2 Car and Limousine Service, Inc. submitted the FCC says that it was declining to cancel the forfeiture based on Paisa's claim that it did not know that it was operating on an unauthorized frequency. However it also said that the forfeiture should be reduced to $500, based on the company's documented inability to pay the $4000 amount imposed in the Forfeiture Order. (FCC)

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RADIO POLITICS: FCC COMMISSION NOMINEES MAY BE PUT ON HOLD DUE TO CONGRESSIONAL LIFGHTSQUARED INFORMATION DEMAND

Senator Chuck Grassley of Iowa says that he will hold up the approval process of to two nominees to the Federal Communications Commission. This over the agency's refusal to turn over documents related to wireless company LightSquared.

Addressing his concerns with the way the FCC has handled the Lightsquared matter Grassley says that he will object to proceeding to the nomination because the FCC continues to stonewall a document request that he submitted to the agency over six months ago regarding their actions related to the LightSquared and the Harbinger Capital matters. Grassley says that it not only sets a dangerous precedent for a federal agency to unilaterally set the rules on how it engages with Congress but that it also prevents any meaningful ability for the vast majority of Congress to inform themselves of how an agency works.

President Obama has nominated Ajit Pai and Jessica Rosenworcel to serve as commissioners on the FCC. Rosenworcel has worked for Democrats previously, while Pai has worked for Republicans.

A spokeswoman for Grassley said the senator will place a hold on the nominees that will take effect once the nominations reach the Senate floor. Before Grassley announced his intent to place a hold, observers widely expected the nominees to easily receive confirmation. More is on-line at tinyurl.com/nominees-objected. (TVBC)

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CLASSIC RADIO: BBC AUCTIONING OFF GEAR FROM BUSH HOUSE

If you are a ham who wants to really spiffy up your boatanchor or classic station, then listen up. The BBC World Service is auctioning off more than 100 lots of audio and radio equipment that has been

decommissioned from its Bush House studio in London. Included are audio consoles, monitors, microphones including some very rare Coles ribbon mics designed to BBC specifications. Details are available through the Internet auction site of GoIndustry DoveBid. A direct link to it is tinyurl.com/BBC-auction. Bidding closes on November 22nd at 13:00 hours GMT. (BBC)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: JA5MG APPOINTED NEW JARL PRESIDENT

Some names in the news. First up is Akira Inage, JA5MG, who was appointed as the new President of the Japan Amateur Radio League on November 1st. Inage replaces longtime J-A-RL leader Shozo Hara, JA1AN who announced that his was stepping down at the Japanese Ham Fair 2011 in Tokyo earlier this year.

Appointed along with Inage are two new Vice-Presidents. They are Kazuo Niwa, JA1AYO, and Norimasa Nemoto, JH1UBU. More is on-line in the Japanese language at tinyurl.com/JapanJARL. (JARL)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: PA2LS APPOINTED IARU REGION 1 YOUTH COORDINATOR

The International Amateur Radio Union Region 1 Executive Committee has appointed Lisa Leenders, PA2LS, as its first Youth Coordinator.

The 21 year-old Leenders lives in the city of Rotterdam. She first got her amateur radio novice license at the age of 13 and was issued with the call sign PD2LLS. She upgraded to her full license when she was 19 year's old and obtained her current PA2LS callsign.

In her new capacity Leenders will be working with Youth Coordinators from the various IARU member societies to promote amateur radio among to the younger generation in Region 1. (IARU-R1)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: VE2CV TO BE INDUCTED INTO THE CANADIAN AMATEUR RADIO HALL OF FAME

John S. Belrose of Ottawa, Ontario Canada who holds the call signs VE2CV and VE3CVV will be inducted into the Canadian Amateur Radio Hall of Fame. Jack as he is better known in the world of amateur radio will be presented with this award at a meeting to be arranged in Ottawa in early 2012. At that time a detailed summary of his contributions to the hobby will be published in The Canadian Amateur magazine. Induction into the Canadian Amateur Radio Hall of Fame is made in recognition of a radio amateur's outstanding achievement for sustained service to ham radio in Canada, or amateur radio at large. (VE7EF)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: RONNIE MILSAP WB4KCG AND HIS TRIO TO PERFORM HOLIDAY SHOW IN SOCAL.

And if you live in or near Southern California and have no plans the evening of December 9th, you might consider a trip to the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts. That's where country music legend Ronnie Milsap, WB4KCG, and his trio will be performing their Holiday Show. One of the most popular dinner speakers ever at the Dayton Hamvention, WB4KCG has been honored for his contributions to the art of country music by the Country Music Association, the Academy of Country Music and Billboard Magazine. More about WB4KCG is at his website at www dot ronniemilsap dot com. For information on tickets for this event go to www dot cerritoscenter dot com. (ARNewsline(tm))

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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CHANGING OF THE GUARD: FORMER FCC COMMISSIONER KENNETH COX - S.K.

Former FCC Commissioner and media diversity advocate Kenneth A. Cox died on October 31st at his home in Bethesda, Maryland.

Kenneth Cox served as an FCC Commissioner from 1963 to 1970. He was a graduate of the University of Washington and the University of Michigan and later taught at the University of Michigan law school before practicing law in Seattle. Cox also served as a special counsel to the Senate Commerce Committee's TV inquiry in the mid-1950's and was tapped by then FCC Chairman Newton Minow to be chair of the FCC's Broadcast Bureau in 1961.

According to a notice in the Washington Post, Kenneth Cox is survived by his wife, Nona; three sons and four grandchildren. Services will be November 19th at the Westmoreland Congregational Church in Bethesda, Maryland. Kenneth Cox was age 94. (RW)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: AMSAT DESIGNATES AUBIESAT-1 AS AO-71

AubieSat-1 is now AubieSat Oscar 71 or AO-71. This according to an announcement by OSCAR Number Administrator, Bill Tynan, W3XO. Tynan says that the OSCAR designation came as the result of the successful launch and deployment of AubieSat-1 on October 28th. (AMSAT)

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WORLDBEAT: VENEZUALA CLOSES DOWN INDEPENDENT FM STATION

The owner of a radio station in western Venezuela says that on November 3rd that dozens of National Guard soldiers seized his stations broadcasting equipment. This as part of an investigation launched by the country's state-run Telecommunications Commission.

Jose Ramon Socorro says about 50 armed soldiers entered Kalor 91.1 FM and took away all of the broadcast equipment. Socorro calls the incident an armed assault on his facility. He says the troops did not provide details on the reason for the investigation or confiscation of the gear.

Representatives of the state telecommunications commission have not answered media requests seeking comment. Watchdogs groups have accused Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez of trying to suppress the country's independent media. (Published news reports)

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WORLDBEAT: DAB FAILS IN SINGAPORE

Singapore radio broadcaster MediaCorp is turning off its Digital Audio Broadcast or DABservices at the beginning of December. In announcing the shutdown, MediaCorp stated that its DAB listenership had been stagnant compared to uptake of its Me Radio app for streaming audio to iPhones and select Android-based HTC phones.

MediaCorp launched its DAB services in November of 1999, primarily simulcasting its 14 FM services. The company says that it plans to reassign staff currently working on its DAB efforts to other operations.

DAB is a digital radio technology for broadcasting used in several countries, particularly in Europe. At the last broadcast census there were approximately 1,000 stations worldwide using the DAB format. (RW)

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WORLDBEAT: BBC PLANS TO PUT ITS ARCHIVES ON LINE

The BBC will soon introduce a new radio website that will contain almost its entire archive of radio programs going back to the 1940's. Code named Audiopedia the service is being developed for launch within the next 12 months.

Tim Davie who is the Director of BBC Audio and Music the at the BBC. He says that the organization is working on how best to present Audiopedia. At the moment the BBC believes that most people will probably access the new on demand content via other pieces of related media that they are already listening to across the BBC website.

The new Audiopedia website will represent the biggest release of BBC programming on demand since the iPlayer was introduced in 2007. (Media Network, London Telegraph)

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WORLDBEAT: NEW 60 METER BEACON ON FROM GREECE

A new 60 meter beacon from Greece is now on the air. Operating on 5.398.5 MHz transmitting in Morse the beacon currently runs 30 watts out into a non resonant antenna. Itts reported to be on the air usually between 19.00 and 06.00 UTC. Details of the beacon message and timings can be found on the IARU Region 1 website at www.iaru-r1.org. (IARU R1)

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RADIO RECORDS: NEW SHF RECORDS CLAIMED DOWN UNDER

Some new VHF and UHF records are being claimed by hams in Australia. Here's W-I-A Newsman Graham Kemp, VK4BB, with the details:

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VK4BB: "Here are details of seven new VHF-UHF distance records. The first ever records for the 134 GHz and 243 GHz bands:

Michael VK3KH and Alan VK3XPD have set the first Australian distance records for these bands - 25 meters on 21 October 2011. Alan and Russell VK3ZQB then extended these records to 50 meters on October 23.

First ever record on 324 GHz. Michael VK3KH and Alan VK3XPD have set the first Australian distance record for this band: 25 meters on 21 October 2011.

Frequencies above 250 GHz are not assigned to any service by telecommunications regulator ACMA, so technically there is no 324 GHz band. However amateurs may operate on these frequencies because they are not assigned to any other service.

First records in the new Digital EME record category: On 2 metres, the first Digital EME record is from VK9NA to EA2AGZ at a distance of 18306.4 km. This was set on 12 January 2011. On 1296 MHz, the inaugural record claim is from Mark Swannack VK2AMS and David Scott, VK2JDS - 325.3 km on October 1st.

For full details of all past and present VHF-UHF records are available for viewing or download on wia.org.au.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Graham Kemp, VK4BB, of the WIA News reporting from Brisbane, Australia.

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All we can say is congratulations to those in VK land who worked had to set these new Australian ham radio records. (WIA News)

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ON THE AIR: CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF STEVE JOBBS

On the air, keep an ear open for the Team HB9ON Radio Group in Switzerland which is celebrating the life of Apple Computer founder Steve Jobs. This by activating the special call HB9STEVE throughout the month of November. Commemoration operations will occur sporadically and will be mostly on CW, but with some SSB. QSL via Logbook of the World, GLOBALQSL or direct to HB9DHG. See details on QRZ.com. (Southgate)

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DX

In DX, word that the Mediterraneo DX Club's DXpedition to Nepal may be on the air by the time you hear this report. The DXpedition team was to be on the air as 9N7MD between November 12th to the 27th with stations on 160 through 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL direct to Manager IK2VUC or via the bureau. Logbook of the World files will be uploaded by the end of March 2012.

N7OU who is currently active as E51NOU from Rarotonga Island in the South Cook Islands says that he should be arriving on Manihiki in the North Cook Islands on November 8th or 9th. Once there his operation will be on 160 through 10 using only CW. QSL via N7OU.

PA8A will again be active as PJ4B from the island of Bonaire. Listen out for him between Janaury 8th and the 22nd of 2012. His operation will be holiday style on the High Frequency bands only. QSL direct only via PA8A.

IK2NCJ is expected to be operational as D44TAL from Sao Vicente Island in he near future. Activity will be on the High Frequency bands only. QSL via IZ4DPV.

VE2XB will be active as J79XB from Dominica starting January 5th,2012 for several weeks. His operation will be holiday style on all bands 160 through 10 meters and possibly 6 meters if there are openings. QSL via VE2XB as listed on QRZ.com.

Lastly, DL7DF will head up a team of 9 experienced operators to be active from Tonga as A35YZ between March 7th and the 24th, 2012. Operation will be on 160 through 6 meters using several station operating on CW, SSB with one station exclusively dedicated to RTTY, PSK31 and SSTV. QSL via DL7DF, either direct or via the bureau.

(Above from various DX news soiurces.)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: A DREAM COMES TRUE AT THE 36th NYC MARATHON

And finally this week, the amazing story about last weekends New York City Marathon and its ham radio communications director that was published in the Saturday November 5th issue of New York Daily News. Titled "Cancer Won't Keep This Radio Volunteer Down," the story details the fight being waged by Steve Mendelsohn, W2ML, against Pancreatic Cancer while at the same time organizing the vast ham radio

communications network for this years running of the worlds largest on-foot marathon event.

In the article writer Wayne Coffey calls Mendelsohn's volunteer work for the New York City Marathon as being indispensable. He notes that this was to be the 36th running of the five-borough event adding that W2ML is the only person who has been on the course for every mile of every one of them.

For his part, W2ML says that that it's simple what keeps him fighting the disease. He notes that physicists say that energy can neither be created nor destroyed, but that the energy of the marathon is what keeps him going and this year has quite literally kept him alive. And speaking a few weeks ago at the Pacificon convention in Santa Clara, California, he put it all into perspective in a way that only W2ML could:

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W2ML: "The doctor that is treating my cancer always wanted to run in the marathon. I was given three to five months to live in January and I said to him that it's simple. You keep me alive until the marathon and Ill get you into the marathon. Only a ham could make tat kind of a deal with the devil. (applause)"

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The entire story about Steve Mendelsohn, W2ML, and his fight against cancer to once again lead the communications network for the New York City Marathon is in-line at tinyurl.com/w2ml-marathon-2011. And less we forget, the New York City Marathon was held last weekend and for the 36th consecutive year Steve Mendelsohn, W2ML, was there with his crew of 400 or so ham radio volunteers to keep it all running smoothly. (ARNewsline(tm))

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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Visit www.ahars.com.au for contact details

THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE OF AUSTRALIA IS FOR WEEK
COMMENCING NOVEMBER 13 2011.

ACMA warns unlicensed radio communicators (Story in text editions only)

The Australian Communication and Media Authority (ACMA) has issued warning
notices to six radio communications hobbyists, citing breaches of the
Radiocommunications Act.

The hobbyists, comprising those using the Citizen Band (CB) and Amateur Radio
frequencies are from Tasmania, Victoria, New South Wales and South Australia.

The ACMA's Field Operations Sections found each were operating on High Frequency
(HF) frequencies outside the radio bands they were authorised to use.
In addition to warning notices, a number of non-compliant radio communications
devices were surrendered to the ACMA.

Read more on WIA FRONT PAGE NEWS http://www.wia.org.au

(Jim Linton VK3PC

The Australian Treasurer, Wayne Swan, says the Government will wait for advice from police before deciding the next step in the Australia Network tender process.

Radio Australia's parent company, the Australian Broadcasting Corporation, now holds the contract to operate the international satellite television network but is competing with Sky News to retain it.

Sky News is partly owned by the British broadcaster BSkyB.

Australia's Minister for Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy, Senator Stephen Conroy, announced the end of a competitive tender process on Monday, saying he was acting on the advice of the Government Solicitor.

He said: "The advice which the Government has received is that due to significant leaks of confidential information to the media, the Australia Network tender process has been compromised to such a degree that a fair and equitable outcome may no longer be able to be achieved."

The Government also referred the matter to police because of the alleged leaks.

A NEW, dedicated radio studio at Patterson Lakes Primary School means students are now interviewing some of Australia's biggest names, live to air.

Radio program co-ordinator Craig Jenner said a $50,000 State Government grant to build the studio also helped deck it out with the latest technology.

"We've also got the experienced students training others how to do it, which gives them a sense of responsibility and independence."

The school's radio program has been hugely successful over the years, with students interviewing the likes of former prime minister John Howard, TV stars Bert Newton and Rove McManus, NBA basket baller Andrew Bogut and former St Kilda footballer Robert Harvey.

The station can be picked up on 104.7 FM throughout the Patterson Lakes area.

A map of the station's coverage area can be found at pattopsradio.weebly.com

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The Board of the WIA has accepted the recommendations of the 2011 Club Grant Committee and announced the successful applications.

Two categories of project were identified that the WIA would support this year. The first category was projects and activities to be conducted before 1 June 2012 to attract new amateurs, but focussed on people under 25 and the second category was amateur radio projects that are useful and innovative and that utilise both information technologies and radio communications.

No projects were proposed by any club that fell into the second category.

The Oxley Region Amateur Radio Club will be supported by a grant of $1,500 to support a mobile shack as a promotional tool to attract new members, for Field days and emergency communications within their local area.

The Brisbane Amateur Radio Club will receive a grant of $600 to help them to improve the quality of their meeting presentations using digital projection equipment.

The St George Amateur Radio Society Inc. will also be supported by a grant of $600 for a basic trailer to be converted into a mobile display and field operations unit.

The Sunraysia Radio Group will be supported by a grant of $1,000 to support their work promoting amateur radio to Scout District in the Mildura/Wentworth area.

The Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society will receive a grant of $600 to support building on the established training room by the addition of training aids and a number of kits.

The Illawarra Amateur Radio Society will be supported by a grant of $900 to provide a projector and basic transceiver and antenna to supplement existing training aids for classes.

The full report of the 2011 Grant Committee can be found on wia.org.au

I would also ask you to read carefully the "Comment" in the December Amateur Radio when it is published, where I comment on the small number of applications for club grants this year and raise the question of the club grant scheme and ask for submissions and note that this will be an issue for the Open Forum at the Annual Conference of the WIA in Mildura next year.

(Michael VK3KI WIA President)

Looking Out for Your Mates

Greetings from the WIA, this is Ewan VK4ERM, considering Looking Out for Your Mates.

The eleventh hour of the eleventh month has just past. While it is right and proper to remember those who made the ultimate sacrifice to preserve our way of life and freedoms while they Looked Out for Their Mates, it also behoves us to look out for those men and women who return with damaged bodies and minds. Sometimes these situations are tragically personal or uncomfortably close.

Within the Amateur Radio community we too can Look Out for Our Mates in many direct and indirect ways.

Operating our equipment in a comfortable shack at home, mobile through innumerable places in this broad land or setting up a field or portable station for a contest or to escape urban RF noise provide ample opportunities for Looking Out for Your Mates.

Unfortunately it is a truism that familiarity does breed contempt or at least avoidable carelessness or the taking of unnecessary risks. Sometimes the first we become aware of the error of judgement is when a situation goes wrong resulting in damage to what we have been working on, a minor physical inconvenience or personal injury.

What would you reasonably expect a mate to do in such circumstances? What would you do if you were witness to the potential for such a situation occurring?

In the first case a friendly word of caution from your mate may be all that was needed to jolt you out of complacency to reconsider your course of action. In the second case wouldn't you believe it was your responsibility to caution your mate on the likely outcome of his or her actions?

Either way, both situations demonstrate Looking Out for Your Mates and unlikely to cause offence with real mates.

The foregoing physical cause and effect situations are readily observable to which we can spontaneously react without offence to those with whom we are familiar. Far worse and more insidious is the onset and manifestation of mental stress. The gradual change in the behaviour of a mate may be so subtle that in the long term we don't notice it nor become aware of the past and present circumstances causing the change.

However, it is unfortunate that the first we become aware that a mate is under stress is when he or she explodes or crashes with unpredictable behaviour and outcomes. This is when you have to be Looking Out for Your Mates, hopefully before situations come to a head and afterward if too late.

We like to think that we know and understand those whom we have known for years or decades but the reality is there may be disturbing or traumatic events buried in their memory and eating away at their very being; events and emotions they have never communicated to others, not even their mates.

Those in the far reaching fraternity of Amateur Radio are no different and if you become aware of changes in the personality and behaviour of your Amateur Radio friends in any circumstances then it is truly time to be Looking Out for Your Mates.

The changes you see may be their cry for help.

Look Out for Your Mates

This has been Ewan VK4ERM for the WIA Board

I'D SOONER BE FISHING

Every now and then members let us know they receive spam emails claiming to be from the WIA and wanting to obtain personal information, this sort of email activity is called PHISHING (pronounced fishing).

Phishing is a way that the bad people on the internet attempt to acquire information from us such as usernames, passwords and credit card details by claiming to be from a trustworthy entity (in our case the WIA). Customers

of Banks and other financial institutions are typically the major targets of Phishing scams however they seem to have a go at people from any organisation including organizations like ours. So remember, should our WIA office staff ever need to verify your membership or personal details, they will contact you directly by telephone, never by unsolicited email.

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Planning is well under way for "Amateur Radio's big day out" next year at the Wyong racecourse.

The Central Coast Amateur Radio Club Field day at Wyong has a new service for next year. A "group meet-up" service.

There are several Amateur Radio groups who are spread across the country and rarely are able to meet-up in person, so why not take advantage of the fact that many group members travel to the Wyong Field Day?

This is a free service.

The CCARC will allocate 30 minute slots throughout the day on a first come first served basis and publicise these before the field day and announce them over the public address system throughout the day.

An area in the coffee & tea room on the 2nd floor of the race club building will be set aside as the "meet-up point". This has lift access available for those who have difficulty with stairs.

As the slots are already filling, it is recommended to get your application in as soon as possible by sending an email to WFDMeetup at gmail.com

The list will close at the end of January or earlier if all slots are taken, so that signs can be printed for display at the event and the list publicised.

Make sure you have the date firmly in your calendar *- CCARC Field day at Wyong - February 26th. 2012 and the Field-Day website at www.fieldday.org.au for all information about the event.

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/
Police Roundup http://www.vicpolicenews.com.au/

Victorian National Parks next weekend

So far eight registrations have been received for declared National Parks activations in Victoria as a concentrated effort is made on the Keith Roget Memorial National Parks Award.

It is also part of the Amateur Radio Victoria Century and will run from Friday November the 18th through to Monday November 21st.

They include Heathcote-Graytown, Brisbane Ranges, Barmah, Dandenong Ranges, Greater Bendigo, plus a yet to be specified park in Gippsland.

For the Saturday and Sunday Terry Murphy VK3UP will be using the special call sign VK100ARV.

Others involved are VK3WAM, VK3JDA, VK3VTH, VK3ZPF, VK3EME and VK3PF.

Check them out by visiting www.amateurradio.com.au and tune around the bands next weekend giving them plenty of support.

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

VK4

Welcome to QNews from VK4WIA. I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP and I've been thinking.

October 9th was important for the 2 dozen or so amateurs who attended the President's Luncheon at the Bundaberg Radio Club. Since the reformation of the Wireless Institute of Australia and devolving the old state WIA branches into advisory committees, these meetings have been a way of sharing face to face between the clubs and the board of the Institute.

WIA President, Michael Owen, VK3KI ran the meeting so that ideas that had surfaced could be put and thoughts gathered from the clubs represented. Similarly, ideas and concerns from the clubs were put to the meeting and input from the VK4 event will be used at later similar get-togethers.

Discussion at the tea break and again at lunch ran the gamut of what you would expect of a bunch of amateurs - from home brew to dealings with policy councils. Still one question which Michael raised seemed not to prompt an easy response. Whilst everyone agreed that recruiting to the hobby from our younger community is necessary, getting a finger on what attracts the people who have grown up with the "convergent" technology, to me or you and our hobby of amateur radio, just seemed too hard.

As time has gone on and technology has outstripped individual imaginations, when we talk about the good old days of radio, is it not really us that has run out of steam and not the young people with their pocket computer radio internet linked devices? How do these people relate to you and me and how do we attractively present our interests to them?

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think....how about you?

CENTRAL QUEENSLAND AR CLUB
Rockhampton
cqar.com.au

With late notice and being a Monday Morning, it was great to see many of the Central Queensland Amateur Radio Association Members turn out to assist with an open day at the Rockhampton Heritage Village. Our members assisted the Heritage Village co-ordinator VK4NJB - Jeff in the setup, cleaning and activation of the radio museum.

The Singaporean Armed Forces and other international visitors were touring the Heritage Village on the day and were taken through the Amateur Radio Museum.

Members present displayed UHF, VHF and HF operations as well as a HF Portable Back-Pack radio. A big thanks go out to the CQARA Members that assisted. From all reports the display was well received by our international visitors.

I'm Adam - VK4MTJ on behalf of the Central Queensland Amateur Radio Association.

SUNSHINE COAST
Maleny VK4RSC 146.850 (91.5HZ) and 438.075 VK4RSN 53.7
Noosa Heads VK4RSL 146.825 and 438.175

The Expedition

3 members from SCARC set out together to travel to and attend the CHARC annual get together at Fairbairn Dam recently, they travelled up together but came back 3 different and separate ways.

What could have happened, are they still friends??

It started a few days early, 3 4WD's, 3 Caravans and 3 couples. It took 3 days to get up there from the Sunshine Coast which seems a bit slow but they did all have 4WD's from the same manufacturer. Possibly there were some bitsamissing however the official story is they took their time.

First nights camp and a brand new caravan suffered a broken awning clip at the hands of an experienced caravanner, oh the shame. There were other problems, intermittent radio comms in one car meant the other two could only chat to each other, some like to drive less per day, other like to drive more etc.

All were running HF APRS and it was interesting to see some get out a lot more position reports than others, this was good as it highlighted a fault with one setup. Not to mention another one that drove through a 10 foot clearance bridge with an 11 foot antenna, needless to say there were no beacons from that one anymore.

The report back to the club seems to indicate they do still talk to each other, I think they actually enjoy arguing amongst themselves, so even though they went their separate ways on the way back it was because they had planned it that way. But as they say "why let the truth get in the way of a good story"

Tone added to 146.850 at Maleny

Due to ongoing interference a 91.5Hz tone is required to access the Maleny 146.850 repeater.

The 146.825 linked repeater at Noosa does not require a tone so if you can't access the Maleny repeater due to not having a tone try Noosa.

TABLELANDS RADIO AND ELECTRONICS CLUB
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www.treclub.org.au

G'day again from the Atherton Tablelands this is Dale VK4DMC for the Tablelands Radio and Electronics Club, TREC, in Far North Queensland.

TREC members are planning for the VHF/UHF Spring Field Day contest to be held on the 26/27th November. We will be operating from Hallorans Hill which is located only 1.5 kilometres from the centre of Atherton.

Grid locator is QH22rr.

This contest is always lots of fun and allows operators to see just how far they can work on the higher bands.

Frequencies to be used by TREC will be 6M, 2M, 70cm, 23cm and 3cm.

Some club members will also be operating from other locations around the Atherton Tablelands during the contest.

We are also planning for the Annual TREC End of Year party to be held at the Tolga Hotel on Saturday 3rd December. The famous (or maybe that should read infamous) TREC Trivia Challenge will be held again with this year's quizmaster being Gary (Snoopy) VK4FD.

Now a reminder of our up and coming VK4XQA operation on 160M & 80M that is scheduled for 19/20/21 November 2011 from Euramo, QLD, Australia.

All systems are go, antenna ready, the rig and amplifier are ready, now we wait until we can all congregate at the site. Operation times and frequencies will be fairly flexible with operation mainly during our nights here and with prime consideration being given to top band operations.

Top Band Operations:

We will have one operator, John VK4TL who will be our designated CW operator and who will be operating in the CW section of the band, somewhere around 1825KHz.

Our SSB operators will be Jeff VK4BOF and Gary VK4FD who may also grace us with his CW skills, Chris VK4YCG will also be operating on occasion, mainly on AM for the old time operators out there. <Grin>

SSB and AM operations will be on or about 1845KHz though we can go lower for those of you out there that are not permitted operations in that section of the band.

These frequencies comply with the suggested band plan here in Australia and also seem to be ok for IARU region's 1 & 2 as well.

Please bare in mind that we will only be operating with ONE RADIO, therefore we cannot devote all our time to just CW or just to the AM/SSB side of it, we must share it aound amongst all modes and operators.

80M band Operations:

80M band operation is secondary to our 160M band efforts.

SSB & CW Operation on 80M will be within the frequency range of 3779KHz to 3799KHz. AKA, the 'DX Window' in Australia.

We *may* operate at a lower frequency ie: between 3500 & 3700KHz but it will be a much lower priority. In fact our whole 80M band activation is going to be of a lower priority for us, we are mainly going to be on-site for 160M band operations.

Power output on all modes and frequencies will be the Australian legal limit for the appropriate mode.

The rig will be an Elecraft K3 and the amplifier will be an Elecraft KPA500. An Elecraft P3 Panadaptor will also be in use to see the activity around us on the bands.

Well that's your lot for this week.

Once again don't forget to visit the TREC website at www.treclub.org.au for club information and you can also download the latest monthly club news in TREC-NEWS. Past issues are also available on the site.

This has been Dale VK4DMC and you are listening to QNEWS. Travel Well!

VK5

November 20 is Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society Hamfest Goodwood Community Centre, Rosa St Goodwood at 0930. Visit www.ahars.com.au for contact details

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART and the WW sources of the WIA.

New Zealand Amateur Radio Day will be held March 10 from 1000 to 1400 hours.

NZART Branches are being encouraged to set up stations in prominent areas in their local community, and to make contact with other NZARD stations and home stations.

Media inclusion is to be encouraged.

The purpose of NZARD is twofold. To expose Ham Radio to the community and to prospect for potential amateur operators.

Container search continues

The search continues off Tauranga in ZL land for containers lost from the stranded ship Rena in bad weather back in October.

Sonar searches have found a number of them within a 1,000 metre radius of the ship, in water up to 80 metres deep.

A total of 30 containers has either washed up on beaches or been located, leaving around 50 still missing.

Four containers with dangerous goods on board the Rena have been tagged with transmitters in case they too end up coming off the ship.

500 kHz

During the meeting of the CEPT WRC-12 Conference Preparatory Group held in Bucharest between November 1st-4th 2011 a European Common Proposal (ECP)

was agreed.

This ECP represents the block vote of 48 administrations and was passed without dissent. It proposes an allocation to the amateur service between 472-480 kHz on a secondary basis with a maximum power limit of 5W eirp.

This ECP will now be forwarded to the ITU as a contribution from CEPT to WRC-12.

The IARU has thanked the European Member Societies who helped to influence their national administrations in this matter. This is an important step in the IARU efforts to secure a worldwide secondary allocation to the amateur service in the region of 500 kHz at WRC-12

BBC celebrates 75 years of television

Back on November 2, 1936 the BBC ran the world's first "repeat" of a TV show, this on the very same day they COMMENCED transmissions from Alexandra Palace.

Having the transmitter and studios in the same building caused some problems at first, such as radio transmissions interfering with electronics of cameras.

Two services were tested.

John Logie Baird's in one studio and a Marconi-EMI system in another.

A coin toss decided that the pilot programme would be transmitted on the Baird system first, and then on the Marconi-EMI system following a brief pause - so that there was a repeat show on the first day!

After three months it was decided to use the EMI system.

A BBC video reports names once considered for television included phototelegraphy, seeing by wireless, and electric telescope.

Read more: http://www.digitaljournal.com/article/313799#ixzz1d5Bw1kbU

Still at the Beeb, the BBC World Service is moving out of Bush House and into Broadcasting House early next year. An online auction of general audio and radio equipment is being held, which includes:

Audio consoles: Speakers: Microphones: Headphones, equipment stands, microphone stands, tape decks, turntables, stereo power amplifiers, general audio processing equipment.

For more information, including photos, and to sign up for the auction, visit http://www.go-dove.com/event-16010/BBC-World-Service

Bidding closes on 22 November.

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RSGB

New 6m beacon from Greece

A 5MHz beacon from Greece is now on the air.

Operating on 5,398.5kHz CW, it runs 30W into a non-resonant antenna for the moment. It should be on the air mostly between 19.00 and 06.00 UTC. It may be off on some days due to other HF activities at the test site, so try to listen regularly.

Details of the beacon message and timings can be found on the IARU Region 1 website, www.iaru-r1.org

New digital net

A new digital net to encourage use of these modes on 10m will be held every Saturday and Sunday at 18.00 UTC.

The net will gather on 28,125kHz USB, plus or minus QRM. RS ID and Call ID will be used to help people pick out the net and modes used. Olivia 500/8 mode will be used to call up the net but it may switch modes as needed.

Check out www.obriensweb.com/sked for online coordination during each session.

Colorado 6m beacon back on air

The Colorado 6m beacon is back on the air following rebuilding.

The operating frequency is 50.065MHz and the call sign is KA0CDN. Further information can be found online at www.rmvhf.org

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2011

Nov 26-27 WIA Spring VHF-UHF Field Day

2012

January VK Ross Hull Memorial VHF UHF Contest

March 17-18 VK JOHN MOYLE MEMORIAL FIELD DAY

June Long Weekend (vk4 time) VK Shires Contest.

July First full weekend NZART Memorial Contest

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

Closed QSL Bureaux

There are 2 new countries that have closed their QSL bureaux,

TU Cote d'Ivoire and
V7 Marshall Island.

If you work these countries make sure you get the QSL manager or QSL direct.

There is no point in sending them to the outgoing bureau as they will only be returned to you.

Ascension Island will see activity by K7ZZ using ZD8ZZ and W6HGF using ZD8F.

They will be there until November 22 using CW, RTTY and some SSB.

Logs will be uploaded to Logbook of the World.

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Amateur Radio Newsline report that the Five Star DXers Association's T32C DXpedition to Christmas Island is now history.

Despite initial difficulties with their container of equipment not reaching the island, the team finished with over 213,000 contacts and this is the first time an expedition has exceeded 200,000 QSO's to that rare location.

AWARDS

VK100ARV is on air

Want to qualify for the Amateur Radio Victoria Centenary Award or obtain the special QSL card? Sunday this weekend has it activated again by Luke Steele VK3HJ. He has it on Thursday this week too.

VK100ARV is through the VK3RML repeater on Monday nights during the Digital Slow Scan TV session around 1000z-1300z. Outside those times Keith Proctor VK3FT will be on every Monday.

On Friday November the 18th Peter Freeman VK3PF puts it on air. And from the Brisbane Ranges will be heard Terry Murphy VK3UP both on the Saturday and Sunday.

Check out the VK100ARV roster, Award conditions, and reports on previous activity on the website www.amateurradio.com.au

Every day in November is a VK100ARV day.

RSGB Commonwealth Century Club Jubilee Award 2012

2012 is the Queen's Diamond Jubilee and mindful that the Queen is the head of the Commonwealth of Nations we are pleased to announce a new operating award for 2012.

To qualify for an attractive certificate all you need to do is to work as many different countries and call areas on the Commonwealth Century Club list during 2012.

Certificates will be awarded for working 60 and 100 different call areas.

Use any mode or bands you like and QSL cards are not required.

Score sheets and full details can be downloaded from www.beru.org.uk/CCCaward/CCCindex.html

G3PJT@btinternet.com

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ATV (Every pixel tells a story) - Video
arvideonews.com
hamradiotube.com
youtube.com

qdg.org.au

At this month's general meeting, the SEQATV group gave the Brisbane Digital Amateur Television Group permission to commence testing digital TV transmission on 446.5 MHz from their Ocean View repeater site.

It is hoped that if the testing goes well, the two groups will combine their ATV repeaters in the near future.

(Alan Wills VK4NA For the SEQATV group)

'Chirpy' 28 MHz CW Transceiver on YouTube

Roger G3XBM has released a video of 'Chirpy' the CW transceiver for 28 MHz that uses just 14 components.

This ultra-simple transceiver puts out just over 100mW and can hear signals down to around 2uV in a quiet room. Crystal controlled, full QSK and great fun, although the signal does chirp! Hence the name.

Best DX so far is 1414km.

The circuit diagram of Chirpy is at
https://sites.google.com/site/g3xbmqrp/Home/xbm10_2

Google Chirpy - a 14 part CW transceiver for 28MHz on YouTube

OSCAR 1 YouTube video

A prototype of the first Amateur Radio satellite, OSCAR 1, has been on display at the AMSAT symposium in San Jose. OSCAR-1 was launched nearly 50 years ago on December 12, 1961. Its beacon sent the letters HI on 144.9830 MHz CW.

Bob Allison, WB1GCM of ARRL's Technical Lab led the effort to refurbish the OSCAR 1 prototype on display at ARRL headquarters. With the help of OSCAR 1 developer Lance Ginner, K6GSJ, Bob and his team got OSCAR 1 operational again.

The refurbished OSCAR-1 was on display at the ARRL exhibit area at the 2011 Dayton Hamvention. The OSCAR 1 prototype was again on display during the AMSAT Symposium where everyone was able to once again hear the CW transmissions (now managed by a PIC controller) in the 145 MHz band.

Watch OSCAR 1 - 1st Amateur Radio Sat at AMSAT space symposium 2011 -
San Jose, just Google YouTube

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

AMSAT-VK UNOFFICIAL HF Net.
2nd Sunday each month.
April through October 1000 UTC 3.685 MHz
November through March 0900 UTC 7.068 MHz

AubieSat-1 designated AO-71

OSCAR Number Administrator, Bill Tynan, W3XO reports that he has advised J. M. Wersinger, PhD, KI4YAU, Professor Emeritus and Director of Auburn

University's Student Space Program, that following the successful NASA ELaNa III launch on October 28, 2011 of AubieSat-1, and by the request of the AubieSat-1 team, the new satellite has been assigned an OSCAR number.

Professor Wersinger documented that telemetry has been received from the satellite. The IARU-Sat Website states that AubieSat-1 was fully coordinated with the IARU.

Bill wrote, "Therefore, by the authority vested in me by the AMSAT-NA President, I hereby designate AubieSat-1 as AubieSat Oscar 71 or AO-71 and welcome this newest OSCAR into the Amateur Radio satellite community.

On behalf of AMSAT-NA and the world's amateur radio satellite community, I congratulate Professor Wersinger, Auburn University and all of those responsible for building, testing and launching this new CubeSat. May its mission meet with success."

(Bill Tynan, W3XO OSCAR Number Administrator via SouthGate)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RESCUE RADIO
IARU REGION 3
Emergency Centre of Activity (CoA) frequencies
3.600, 7.110, 14.300, 18.160 and 21.360 MHz

Following in text editions only:-

Saving almost 1,000 lives

The Radio Amateur Society of Thailand (RAST) Secretary Paul Wacharaphol HS4DDQ reports his team helped to save almost 1,000 lives by coordinating rescue communications in cases of medical emergencies during the severe flooding.

He coordinates the emergency medical communications at Public Health Ministry on Ngarmwongwarn Road and using the call sign HS0AC. Speaking at a small RAST gathering at Sena Place Hotel on Sunday November 6, Paul HS4DDQ told how emergency unfolded.

Since the flooding began in July at least 529 people have been killed in the affected 63 of Thailand's 77 provinces. The cost to the local economy including hundreds of global manufacturers who rely on its low-cost factories keeps rising.

The amateur radio station established by the National Broadcasting and Telecommunications Commission (NTC) using the call HS0AB were also discussed, along with the donations that RAST has received that now total over 50,000 baht, including a large amount received from donors in Malaysia.

The NBTC has praised the role that radio amateurs have been playing to help people cope with the disaster by providing communications support and this have been especially helpful in flooded areas where several mobile phone cell sites have failed.

Government agencies have been able to take advantage of the amateur radio communications infrastructure when their own networks failed.

Using their skills and experience radio amateurs kept communicating with one another under adverse conditions. There volunteer spirit that has carried radio amateurs to the "front-line" has also helped many victims of Thailand's worst flooding in over 60 years.

The RAST club station HS0AB was controlled by Pranee Netrattana E21DKD, was praised for her efforts.

The station was inundated by flood water to a depth of over one metre, but that the campus was presently still inaccessible and the extent of damage to equipment is yet to be evaluated

A good example of this was demonstrated by Champ Muangamphun E21EIC and his wife Goi E20NKB, who left after the meeting with flood relief supplies in their four-wheel drive vehicle well equipped with a boat strapped to the roof.

(Jim Linton VK3PC, Chairman IARU R3 Disaster Communications Committee / RAST)

SOCIAL SCENE

2011

Nov 20 VK5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society Hamfest
Goodwood Community Centre, Rosa St Goodwood at 0930.
Visit www.ahars.com.au for contact details

2012

15TH IARU REGION 3 CONFERENCE hosted by V.A.R.C. in Ho-Chi-Minh City, Vietnam.

JAN 23-FEB 17 YEAR 2012
World Radio Conference WRC-11 Geneva 23rd January TO 17th February 2012

FEB 12 VK3 CentreVictoria Hamfest, Kyneton Racecourse

FEB 26 VK2 CCARC WYONG FIELD DAY

APR 14-15 VK WIA National Field Day.

MAY 3-18 VK5 YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

MAY 25-27 VK3 WIA Annual Conference Mildura

JULY 14 VK4 Wide Bay Hamfest. West Maryborough Scout Hall

Nov 12 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST (ROSEBUD BY THE BAY)

WIA Annual Conference Mildura

May 25th, 26th and 27th 2012

Details for the WIA 2012 Annual Conference being held in Mildura are on wia.org.au

Host club is Sunraysia Radio Group, led by Garry Briant VK3KYF and
Noel Ferguson VK3FI.

WIA Members who register for the event will be able to participate in a
range of fascinating and memorable activities.

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to submit audio read "how to submit items" in the weekly news page on
wia.org.au

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being
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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-11 16:00:15 UTC
From: Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk
Message-ID: <20111111160004.5AF7633C91@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3931
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 13 November 2011

The news headlines:

* Voting deadline approaches for RSGB EGM

* Intruder Watch reports taxis on 28MHz

* New QSL Managers for G6 and G8 2-letter calls

The RSGB EGM takes place at the Hilton Metropole, NEC, B40 1PP on Saturday 19 November. Electronic and postal voting closes at 12 noon on 16 November. If you plan to attend the EGM, it would help if you let us know via the website at www.rsgb.org/attend. Registration opens at 11am and tea and coffee will be available on arrival. The EGM starts promptly at 12 noon. Tickets for a light sandwich lunch will be available for purchase on the day. Unfortunately, car parking at the NEC is regulated by the NEC at a standard price. The RSGB has negotiated a small discount and parking will be £7 per vehicle. There is a free courtesy bus from Birmingham International train station. You will need to call the bus using a courtesy telephone. The phone, which has a Hilton logo on it, is inside the station arrivals hall, next to the Subway restaurant.

Following the flood of low power FM transmissions across the 28MHz amateur band, the RSGB Intruder Watch has provided the Ofcom Monitoring Station at Baldock with a number of recordings. It has been confirmed that these transmissions are from taxi operators and this will form the basis of a complaint by Baldock to the Russian authorities. The timing of this complaint is fortunate as Uli Bihlmayer, DJ9KR, the Joint Coordinator of the IARU Monitoring System, has recently had a reply to a written complaint that he made directly to the Russian authorities. They have agreed to monitor the 28-29.7MHz band with the intention of stopping transmissions from CB and taxi operators. It remains to be seen how this works in practice but there is now a real possibility that this problem is going to be tackled at source.

Frank Harris, G4IEY, the long-time QSL sub manager for both the G6 and G8 2 letter calls is retiring. The Society thanks him for his help and support. Whilst both of these call groups are small, they remain quite active as they are used by clubs and as re-issued calls to relatives. The bureau is most grateful to Miles Hall, G4GSB and Dave Helliwell, G6FSP, who currently manage the G6 and G8 three letter groups, for

agreeing to include all two letter calls with their existing workload. Cards and envelopes are being transferred and sub groups will now simply be known as G6 and G8 Series, respectively. More details are available on the RSGB website.

There is some good and some bad news coming out of the Czech Republic. The use of the band 70.1- 70.3MHz will be extended throughout 2012 but, unfortunately, the 5MHz experiments will come to an end by the end of 2011.

The OJ0X DXpedition to the Aland Islands finished with more than 66,000 QSOs in the log. All in all, OJ0X contacted 26,873 individual stations and 141 stations made it on all 9 bands offered. The updated log search page is now online at www.qrz.com/db/OJ0X. The log processing delay for Logbook of The World remains at approximately 60 hours, with approximately 8000 logs queued for processing. The ARRL IT Manager asks that users do not upload the same log more than once. The ARRL has implemented an interim fast lane for processing logs and, since these changes have been put into place, the number of logs waiting to be processed has been reduced by approximately 20 percent.

Two more countries have closed their QSL bureaux. The first is TU, Cote d'Ivoire, and the other is V7, Marshall Island. If you work one of these countries, make sure you get QSL route information or QSL direct.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

A D-Star Digital Workshop will be held today, 13 November, at County Hall, Atlantic Wharf, Cardiff CF10 4UW. Doors open from 10am to 5pm. Bring a copy of your licence to operate the D-Star station on the day. There will be help with operating D-Star, programming radios, repeater and reflector use and navigating your radio. Newcomers are most welcome. Contact Dave, 2W0RUH by e-mail to dave.2w0ruh@ntlworld.com for further details.

The Mayo Radio Experimenters are holding their annual Radio Rally on Sunday 20 November at the Welcome Inn Hotel, Castlebar, Co Mayo, where the doors will open at 11am. There will be the usual range of traders, club stands, demonstrations and extensive catering facilities. On Saturday evening, at 7pm, Pat Fitzpatrick, EI2HX will give a talk and demonstration on amateur television and at 9pm Dave Deane, EI9FBB will give a talk on the ARRL DXCC Program and also on the Logbook of the World system. He also took part in the recent T32C DXpedition. Full details of the hotel packages, the lecture programme and rally information is online at www.ei7mre.org.

Also on 20 November, the 34th CATS Radio & Electronics Bazaar will take place at 1st Coulsdon Scout HQ, at the rear of the Council Car Park, Lion Green Road, Coulsdon, Surrey. Doors will be open from 10am to 1pm and admission is £1. There will be a Bring & Buy.

Plymouth Radio Club Rally will be held on 20 November at Elm Community Centre, Leypark Walk, Estover, Plymouth PL6 8UE. Doors open at 10am and

admission is £2. There will be trade stands and a Bring & Buy. More information from Bob Griffiths, G7HNB on 017523 431 277.

Now for the news of special events

Caddington Scout and Cub group is holding a communication week starting on 14 November at Caddington Scout HQ, Dunstable Road, Caddington, Bedfordshire using the callsign GB1CSC. Using the 40m, 20, and 2m bands they are hoping for lots of contacts.

Today, Sunday 13 November, GB4WLR will be on the air from the West Lancs Railway as part of the Children in Need fund raising event.

Paul Godley, 2ZE was sent to Ardrossan in December 1921 by the ARRL as part of the transatlantic tests. This resulted in the first short wave transatlantic amateur radio signals being received in Scotland. The Scots, Crocodile Rock Amateur Group will put GB2PG on the air to commemorate the 90th anniversary from 18 November until 15 December. More details at www.gb2pg.blogspot.com. And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

DK9PY will be in Guadeloupe until 25 November using the callsign FG/DK9PY. He plans to be active on CW on all bands from 10 to 80m.

Ascension Island will see activity by K7ZZ as ZD8ZZ and W6HGF using ZD8F. They will be there until 22 November using CW, RTTY and some SSB. Logs will be uploaded to Logbook of the World.

T2T will be on the air from the Pacific Island of Tuvalu until 8 December. They will be active on all bands from 6 to 160m and will try to have three stations on the air as often as possible. The QSL manager is VK4FW.

Karel, ON5TN will be staying at the Belgian Antarctic base Princess Elisabeth between 16 November and late February 2012. He plans to operate again as OR4TN in his spare time. Updates will be posted on qrz.com under OR4TN. QSL via ON5TN.

Now the contest news

The RTTY leg of the WAE DX Contest finishes at midnight tonight, 13 November. Everybody works everybody, although single operator stations are limited to 36 hours out of 48. The exchange is signal report and serial number.

Tuesday 15 November sees the 1.3GHz UK Activity Contest take place from 2000 to 2230UTC. Using all modes on the band, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

Next weekend, 19 and 20 November, the 2nd 1.8MHz Contest will take place from 2100 to 0100UTC, this is one of the HF Championship events. Using CW, the exchange is signal report, serial number and District code.

Thursday 22 November sees both the 50MHz UK Activity Contest and the SHF Activity Contest take place, both between 2000 and 2230UTC. On 50MHz, it's all modes with the exchange of signal report, serial number and locator. For SHF it's the 2.3 to 10GHz amateur bands using all modes and the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

And now the solar factual data for the period from the 31st of October to the 6th of November, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on the 7th of November

On the 1st, a large sunspot group rotated over the north-east limb into view. Even before this, the STEREO Behind spacecraft saw this region producing solar flares. Once in view this continued, a total of 9 M class solar flares took place. On the 3rd this group produced an X class flare, which was the fourth largest flare so far this sunspot cycle. Numerous C class flares also took place, including some from other regions. No coronal mass ejections took place that were directed towards Earth. Solar flux levels increased from 138 units on the 31st to 177 by the 6th. The average was 158. The 90 day solar flux average on the 6th was 128, that's four units up on last week. X-ray flux levels varied little day to day and averaged B9 units. Geomagnetic activity was initially quiet on the 31st but during the 1st a coronal mass ejection arrived and lasted into the next day. The Ap index was 21 units on the 1st. Quiet conditions returned on the 3rd and lasted to the end of the period. The average was Ap 8 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds decline from 460 kilometres per second on the 1st to a slow 260 by the 5th. Particle densities were low every day. Bz fluctuated between minus 13 and plus 10 nanoTeslas during the CME disturbance and between minus and plus 2 nanoTeslas when the field was quiet.

And finally the solar forecast. The recent increase in solar activity is expected to continue this week. Solar activity is expected to be low but could increase on almost any day. Solar flux levels will be determined in part by the size of the visible sunspot groups but should be around the 150's. Geomagnetic activity is expected to be quiet every day with no coronal hole disturbances expected, but beware, with the present level of solar activity a coronal mass ejection could head our way and increase activity substantially. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 35MHz. Darkness hour lows should be about 11MHz. Paths this week to Japan should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 25MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 19MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 0800 and 1000 hours UTC.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your

transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS On Monday 14 November Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is on the air on HF. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Monday 14 November Leicester Radio Society showing an RSGB video, VHF Then And Now, by Jack Hum, G5UM. Details from John, G0IJM, on 07939 121 132.

On Monday 14 November South Birmingham Radio Society is planning its Christmas party and future rally visits. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Monday 14 November Stratford Upon Avon District Radio Society is having a surplus equipment sale hosted by John, G8HJS. Contact G0CHO, on 01608 664 488.

On Tuesday 15 November Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is having an illustrated talk on broadcasting aerials. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 15 November Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club invites members on the air from home on 2m. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Tuesday 15 November Wythall Radio Club is having a homebrew night. Details from Colin, M0GJM, on 07598 540 507.

On Wednesday 16 November Midland Amateur Radio Society is holding an open meeting, arranging outside events for the spring, and running training classes. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003.

On Wednesday 16 November South Kesteven Amateur Radio Society is having an informal evening. Contact Nigel, M0CVO, on 01476 402 550.

On Wednesday 16 November Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a quiz night. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday 17 November Salop Amateur Radio Society is having the Chairman's forum. Details on the club website at www.salop-ars.org.uk.

On Thursday 17 November South Birmingham Radio Society is having training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603. On Friday 18 November Coventry Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee forum. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

On Friday 18 November South Birmingham Radio Society is having a construction evening. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Sunday 20 November Derby RAYNET Amateur Radio Group is supporting an all day walk. Contact Martin, G7MKS, via email to contactus@derbyraynet.co.uk.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND On Monday 14 November Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on repeaters by Steve Webster, M1ERS. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 14 November Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on digital cameras and how they work by John, G8RDP. More information from J Duddington, G4BFH, on 01253 853 554.

On Tuesday 15 November Chester & District Amateur Radio Society is conducting an asset review. Details from Barbara Green on 07957 870 770.

On Tuesday 15 November Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air, discussing the forthcoming construction workshops and continuing the training courses. Contact Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341 317.

On Tuesday 15 November Stockport Radio Society is having a presentation on receiver tuning by John Shufflebotham. More information from Nigel Roscoe, on 07973 312 699.

On Wednesday 16 November Denby Dale Radio Club is having a talk on pound shop aerials by Gerald, G3SDY. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220 126.

On Wednesday 16 November Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by G4YTV. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Thursday 17 November Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air and having a club night. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 07876 085 631.

On Thursday 17 November South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having a talk on VHF mobile antenna installation by Brian, G4LUL. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Saturday 19 November Hornsea Amateur Radio Club commences its weekend event for the 2nd 1.8MHz Contest. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Saturday 19 November South Tyneside ARS will have a table at St Peters Church Hall, York Ave, Jarrow as part of the Autumn Fayre. Contact George, M1FNE, by email to g.scott@blueyonder.co.uk.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND On Monday 14 November Greenisland Electronics Amateur Radio Society is on the air on 2m. Details from Peter Lowrie, MI5JYK, by email to mi5jyk@rsgb.org.uk.

Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club reports that it has been greatly enriched by an influx of enthusiastic and recently licensed members. Courses and examinations held in the Share Centre yielded 39 successes, 26 Foundation, 9 Intermediate and 4 Advanced, with only one fail. Tommy Nelson MI0RVH, is a prime example. He came into the hobby via the Club's courses, got his Full Licence in June, and then was elected Chairman last September. In fact, five of the nine-member Committee

hold recent Full or Intermediate licenses. Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club is looking for more like them, so is now recruiting for another run of Foundation and Intermediate courses. Anyone interested should please contact the club secretary, Michael Clarke, Mi5MTC, on 02868 621 436 or email sec@learc.eu.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday 15 November Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club evening. Details from Norman, on 07740 946 192.

On Thursday 17 November Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is on the air. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663.

On Friday 18 November Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on planning permission by Len Paget GM0ONX. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA On Monday 14 November Coulsdon Amateur Transmitting Society is holding its annual quiz with Steve, G7SYO and Wendy. Details from Steve Beal, G3WZK, by email to secretary@catsradio.org.

On Monday 14 November West Kent Amateur Radio Society Club is having an update on the software defined radio project by Richard, G8CDD. Details from Keith, G4JED, via email to westkentars@googlemail.com.

On Tuesday 15 November Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Tuesday 15 November Bromley & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on PICs. Details from Andy, G4WGZ, on 01689 878 089.

On Tuesday 15 November Harwell Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on the development of the G4TPH magloops by Tom, G4TPH. Contact Malcolm, G8NRP, on 01235 524 844. On Tuesday 15 November Verulam Amateur Radio Club is having five minute tips by members. Details from Tony, 2EOWAP, on 01727 853 087.

On Wednesday 16 November Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is having a DVD evening. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816 684.

On Thursday 17 November Colchester Radio Amateurs is having a talk on microwaves by Sam Jewell, G4DDK. More information from Kevan, 2E0WMG, on 07766 543 784.

On Thursday 17 November Cray Valley Radio Society Nobby, G0VJG is giving a talk about the T32C DXpedition, with some insight to behind the scenes operating. Details from Malcolm Bryan, G8MCA, on 07906 433 965.

On Thursday 17 November Horndean & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on Portsmouth area transport in the mid-1900's by Eric Watts. Contact Stuart, G0FYX, on 02392 472 846.

On Thursday 17 November Horsham Amateur Radio Club is having a social evening at The Chequers' Inn, Rowhook RH12 3PY. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk.

On Thursday 17 November King's Lynn Amateur Radio Club is having a talk entitled the bodger's guide to microwaves by John Worsnop, G4BAO, chairman of the UK Microwave group. All are welcome; entry is £1 on the door and there's free tea and coffee. Please check www.klarc.org.uk for more details of the event, and the approach to the club site.

On Thursday 17 November Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a club night at the shack. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564 242.

On Friday 18 November Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society is holding a club meeting. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 02085 021 645.

On Friday 18 November Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a radio night. Contact Peter, G4AKG, on 01444 239 371.

On Friday 18 November Wey Valley Amateur Radio Group is having a club night. Details on the web at www.weyvalleyarg.org.uk.

On Sunday 20 November Horsham Amateur Radio Club is having a morning fox hunt. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST On Monday 14 November Exeter Amateur Radio Society is having a club night at the Moose Centre. Contact Nick, 2E0NRJ, on 01363 775 756.

On Tuesday 15 November West Devon Radio Club is having a talk and demo on the oscilloscope by Jules Cuddy, M1AGY. Further information from Jules Cuddy, M1AGY, on 01752 291 588. On Wednesday 16 November Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is holding a video night. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Wednesday 16 November Trowbridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night and committee meeting. Details from Ian, G0GRI, on 01225 864 698, evenings and weekends.

On Thursday 17 November South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is holding its AGM. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

On Thursday 17 November Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having a members' equipment sale. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Thursday 17 November Yeovil Amateur Radio Club is having a practical evening of antenna building. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk.

On Friday 18 November North Bristol Amateur Radio Club is on the air. More information from Dick on 01454 218 362.

On Friday 18 November Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to

g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES On Sunday 13 November there will be a D-Star digital workshop at County Hall, Atlantic Wharf, Cardiff CF10 4UW, from 10am until 5pm. It will cover such things as basic D-Star, radio programming, repeaters and reflectors. Volunteers will even program your radio for you. Talk-in is on 145.550MHz. For more information email dave.2W0RUH@ntlworld.com.

On Tuesday 15 November Chepstow & District Amateur Radio Society is holding its AGM. More information from Paul, on 01594 842 580.

On Tuesday 15 November Wrexham Amateur Radio Society is having a beginners guide to understanding propagation.. Details from Patrick, 2W0HUU, on 07947 701 927.

On Friday 18 November Newport Amateur Radio Society is on the air and having a natter night. More information from Ross Clare, GW3NWS, on 01633 880 146.

1092. SARL News in English 12/11/2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-12 16:52:00 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <9449D27C95B4439EA49480A5F1EADBE9@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 3932
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 13 NOVEMBER 2011

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. PLEASE NOTE: for audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 and 3,695 MHz SSB.

SILENT KEY

It is with regret that we have to announce that the key of Gerald Smith, ZS6IG, a dear friend of the Sasolburg ARC and the Vaal Triangle ARC and a mentor of many other radio amateurs became silent on Wednesday 9 November 2011.

Our sincere condolences to his wife Kathy and to all his friends and family.

(PAUSE)

In the news today:

MARITIME MOBILE NET IN CREW RESCUE

RADIO AMATEUR EXAMINATION RESULTS IMMINENT

CEPT TO PROPOSE NEW 500 kHz ALLOCATION AT WRC-12

SCIENTISTS PLAY PING PONG WITH SINGLE ELECTRONS

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting items.

MARITIME MOBILE NET IN CREW RESCUE

The South African Maritime net assisted in the rescue of the crew of the sailing vessel "Wizard" which belonged to Gerry Boshoff, ZS6SUN . The yacht struck a submersed container. Gerry had maintained regular contact with the SA Maritime Net which enabled Graham Griggs, ZS2ABK, to supply the maritime authorities with much needed information. The crew was saved and taken aboard a tanker which had been diverted to the

spot where the sailing vessel sank.

Mark Steed, the MRCC Duty Controller passed on a note of thanks from the father of one of the crew. He told Graham "from the MRCC side we thank you for your invaluable assistance in making this rescue a success. It is a sterling service you provide and our relationship is much valued and appreciated by MRCC",

Tune to Amateur Radio TODAY at 10:00 this morning for a full report from Graham, ZS2ABK. You can find detail of the frequencies and various transmission times on www.sarl.org.za, select Amateur Radio TODAY from the left hand menu.

RADIO AMATEUR EXAMINATION RESULTS IMMINENT

The RAE results will be issued early this week with the call sign allocation by the end of the week. Listeners may remember that in July this year ICASA changed the procedure of the administration of the results of the RAE. At the time the following bulletin was released: "The SARL and ICASA have revisited the Radio Examination Moderation Process. After each examination an SARL appointed moderator verifies the examination results and checks that all the marks are correctly computed and verifies that all questions are correctly marked. In a multiple choice examination the answer is either right or wrong. The examiner has no discretion. There are however at times marginal cases where the candidate scores a very high mark in one section but just misses to score the required minimum of 50% in the other section. It is in cases like these that the moderator reviews the answer papers and makes a recommendation to ICASA".

In this new process ICASA verifies the results before they are published. Unfortunately this process takes a little longer but is ultimately the fairest way of handling the results of the examination. However, when candidates receive their call signs on Friday they may go on the air without having to wait for the official letter, certificate or license.

CEPT TO PROPOSE NEW 500 kHz ALLOCATION AT WRC-12

The European Conference of Postal and Telecommunications Administrations better known to radio amateurs as the C-E-P-T says that it plans to back a proposal at the 2012 World Radio Communication Conference to create a new amateur radio allocation near 500 kHz.

During the November 1st to 4th meeting of the CEPT's WRC-2 Conference Preparatory Group held in Bucharest, Romania a European Common Proposal was agreed on for a 5 watt Effective Radiated Power allocation to the amateur service between 472 to 480 kHz. This new band would be on a secondary basis to all other spectrum users.

This European Conference of Postal and Telecommunications Administrations, ECP, will now be forwarding the proposal to the International Telecommunications Union in the hope of having it

included in the WRC-12 agenda. It should be noted that this international body represents the block vote of 48 administrations and the motion to create the 500 kHz amateur radio band.

SCIENTISTS PLAY PING PONG WITH SINGLE ELECTRONS

Scientists at the Cambridge University (UK) have shown an amazing degree of control over the most fundamental aspects of an electronic circuit, how electrons move from one place to another. Researchers at the University's Cavendish Laboratory have moved an individual electron along a wire, batting it back and forth over sixty times, rather like the ball in a game of ping pong. The research finding may have applications in quantum computing transferring a quantum 'bit' between processor and memory, for example.

Imagine you are at a party and you want to get to the other side of a crowded room to talk to someone. As you walk you have to weave around people who are walking, dancing or just standing in the way. You may also have to stop and greet friends along the way and by the time you reach the person you wanted to talk to you have forgotten what you were going to say. Wouldn't it be nice to be lifted up above the crowd, and pushed directly to your destination?

In a similar way, electrons carrying a current along a wire do not go directly from one end to the other but instead follow a complicated zigzag path. This is a problem if the electron is carrying information, as it tends to 'forget' it, or, more scientifically, the quantum state loses coherence.

In this work, a single electron can be trapped in a small well (called a quantum dot), just inside the surface of a piece of Gallium Arsenide (GaAs). A channel leads to another, empty, dot 4 microns (millionths of a metre) away. The channel is higher in energy than the surrounding electrons. A very short burst of sound (just a few billionths of a second long) is then sent along the surface, past the dot. The accompanying wave of electrical potential picks up the electron, which then surfs along the channel to the other dot, where it is captured. A burst of sound sent from the other direction returns the electron to the starting dot where the process can be repeated. The electron goes back and forth like a ping-pong ball. Rallies of up to 60 shots have been achieved before anything goes wrong.

This is an enabling technology for quantum computers. There is a lot of work going on worldwide to make this new type of computer, which may solve certain complex problems much faster than classical computers. However, little effort has yet been put into connecting up different components, such as processor and memory. Although the experiments do not yet show that electrons 'remember' their quantum state, this is likely to be the case. This would make the method a candidate for moving quantum bits of information (qubits) around a quantum circuit, in a quantum computer.

CLUB NEWS

OVERBERG AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

On 19 November 2011, the Overberg Amateur Radio Club will be having their end of the year function in conjunction with the HF Field Weekend at the QTH of John, ZS1DI, and Judy, ZS1JEG, at Stanford. They will also be hosting the Cape Town Branch of the AWA and they will be displaying and operating some of their radios.

For those of you with surplus equipment, take it along and they can have a boot-sale.

A short meeting will be held at 11:00. The usual bring-and-braai will be held after the meeting and should continue into the evening for those staying over. Please take some wood if possible, and your braai implements. Braai drums will be available.

Visitors are more than welcome. Go and join the fun over the weekend. Contact Andre, ZS1AZ, at 028 514 2018 or 072 729 1680. You can also contact Sam, ZS1OR, at 028 316 1470 or 073 250 0428 for more information and directions.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that sunspot 1 339 is in a state of slow decay but can still produce some M-class flares. The sun's surface is peppered with smaller sunspots promising exciting HF conditions.

For those who do their own frequency predictions the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 127, another new high for this solar cycle.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with the higher bands typically opening first and the lower bands opening later during the day. 6 m is also waking up with some very nice TEP openings.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

13 November - AWA open day at the Rand Airport starting at 10:00. 13 November - Pears HF Competition 12:00 till 16:00 UTC. 19/20 November - SARL Field day competition. 19 November - Overberg Amateur Radio Club get together at Stanford. 20 November - CW leg of 80 m Club competition. 27 November - Digital competition. 30 November - last day to submit logs for Pears HF DX-expedition. 31 January 2012 - Last day for submission of nominations for Council members and also for submission of motions for the 2012 SARL AGM. 31 January 2012 - Closing date for submitting papers for SA AMSAT Space Symposium.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding

the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 16:30 UTC on 4 895 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by George, Z6SNE.

Thank you for listening, 73. /EX

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1093. Re: Lifetime credit for exams. (was: Re: FCC Daily Digest 07/29/2011)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-13 12:54:18 UTC
From: "tholen@antispam.ham" <tholen@ifa.hawaii.edu>
Message-ID: <e74e66d2-0d4f-4ab5-aa7f-e84dab43fbad@m13g2000prl.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3933
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,comp.os.os2.advocacy,ba.broadcast,rec.radio.amateur.policy,alt.usenet.kooks

"%" <persent@gmail.com> writes:

211> Newsgroups:
alt.slack,alt.usenet.kooks,rec.radio.shortwave,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.poli
cy

211> absolutely nothing so what of it

On what basis do you speak for kb9rqz, persent, and what does
your reply have to do with alt.slack,alt.usenet.kooks,
rec.radio.shortwave,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy?

212> Newsgroups:
alt.usenet.kooks,alt.slack,rec.radio.amateur.policy,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.shortwa
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212> boing

What does your sound effect have to do with alt.usenet.kooks,
alt.slack,rec.radio.amateur.policy,comp.os.os2.advocacy,
rec.radio.shortwave, persent?

1094. Re: get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-13 12:57:53 UTC
From: "tholen@antispam.ham" <tholen@ifa.hawaii.edu>
Message-ID: <2bb714c2-1f07-4f04-8012-0d010bfea285@l23g2000pro.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3934
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.policy,alt.usenet.kooks,comp.os.os2.advocacy

KB9RQZ <turdbergmark@yahoo.com> writes:

532> Newsgroups:
rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.policy,alt.usenet.kooks,comp.os.os2.
advocacy

532> Hi Eric,
532> The first thing to do is remove the cover of the 142. Then,
remove
532> your tiny little prick from your pants and piss all over the
inside.
532> This must be done while the radio is plugged in and turned on.
This
532> will disable the AGC circuit, you stupid fucking CB'er!

What does your foul language have to do with OS/2, KB9RQZ?

kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com> writes:

533> Newsgroups:
rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.policy,alt.usenet.kooks,comp.os.os2.
advocacy

533> Message-ID: <fdc63145-
a2b8-4772-8164-913de783b96a@4g2000yqu.googlegroups.com>

What does your empty response to KB9RQZ have to do with
rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.policy,
alt.usenet.kooks,comp.os.os2.advocacy, kb9rqz?

1095. Re: get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-13 13:00:38 UTC
From: "tholen@antispam.ham" <tholen@ifa.hawaii.edu>
Message-ID: <859708bf-9cac-4634-ac16-ae78c69ec2ca@z15g2000prn.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3935
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.policy,alt.usenet.kooks,comp.os.os2.advocacy

"%" <persent@gmail.com> writes:

213> Newsgroups:
rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.policy,alt.usenet.kooks,comp.os.os2.
advocacy

213> what does tholen have to do with

213>
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advocacy

Non sequitur.

1096. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 13th November 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-13 21:00:11 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20111113210004.9698833C91@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3936
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 13th November 2011

IRTS Committee Meeting

The next IRTS committee meeting will take place on 10th December at 11.00 in Portlaoise. Affiliated clubs are encouraged to send a representative.

South Dublin Radio Club

There will be a talk at South Dublin Radio Club on Tuesday 15th of November.

It will be given by Paul O Kane EI5DI, one of the two EI's who took part in T32C DXpedition to Kiritamiti (Christmas Island). All events at the club are open to visitors and we would encourage everyone to come along to Ballroan community centre on the Marian Road in Dublin.

http://www.southdublinradioclub.ie

Mayo Radio Experimenters Network

The MREN Rally would be held on November 20th this year at its now established venue of The Welcome Inn Hotel in Castlebar. All the usual traders attending and as always it promises to be a very enjoyable rally. An opportunity to meet old and new friends. Doors open at 11am.

DXCC Awards

Congratulations to Tony EI7JN, who is EI's newest DXCC Award holder. Tony has joined the DXCC list with 209 entities confirmed. As a matter of interest, Tony tells us that almost 80% of these confirmations came through Logbook of the World.

See www.irts.ie/dxcc for the latest EI DXCC list. We note in particular that Declan EI6FR now has all 341 current DXCC entities confirmed. With the big improvement in conditions on the higher bands in recent weeks there has been plenty of DX activity over this period, which no doubt will shortly be reflected in the DXCC listings.

DX News

A large multi-national team will be QRV from Nepal from 13 November until 25 November. The callsign to look out for is 9N7MD. Activity will be on all bands in SSB, CW and RTTY. The QSL Manager is IK2VUC and logs will also be uploaded to Logbook of the World.

Islands on the Air Award enthusiasts will have the opportunity to work a new one this week when 7Z7AA comes on the air from 17 - 25 November. The QTH will be Jabal Al Lith Island in the Red Sea .The IOTA Reference Number is AS-191 and QSL info is via 7Z1CQ. In addition this will probably be a new one for the WPX hunters.

Antonio DL4EA will be back in Zimbabwe for a couple of weeks starting 13 November. As before he will be using the call Z24EA and will be active on all bands 160 - 6m. He hopes to have lots of contacts on 6m so please look out for him.

Sig NV7E who also holds the callsign ZS6SIG will be working in Kenya for the next three years. He enjoys working DX and will be QRV as 5Z4EE on all bands 80 - 10m. QSLs go via the W7 bureau or direct to his address on QRZ.COM.

T2T Tuvalu

Following the cancellation of the C21A Nauru expedition, Pacific DXers team members VK4AN, VK4FW, VK4NEF, NL8F, K4ZLE and W5SL now plan to be active from Tuvalu as T2T between November 11 to December 8, 2011.

Dundalk Amateur Radio Society EI7DAR

Michael, EI5GG will give special demonstration and instruction on ATV on Wednesday 16th November 2011 at 8pm sharp at the club QTHR. All are welcome.

Extra Long Electrical Arcs

Researchers at the University of Canterbury, in New Zealand, have developed a new, lower-voltage method of generating extra-long, lightning-like electrical arcs. The arcs are created when an electrical impulse is applied to a thin copper wire that subsequently explodes. By jump-starting the arcs using exploding wires, as opposed to the traditional method of directly breaking down air, the researchers reduced the amount of voltage needed to create an arc of a given length by more than 95 percent.

Thailand Amateur Radio

At a recent gathering hosted by Thailand's amateur radio society, RAST, those present heard how RAST Secretary Wacharaphol, HS4DDQ, and his

team working with the Public Health Ministry and using the callsign HS0AC had helped to save almost 1,000 lives by coordinating rescue communications in cases of medical emergencies.

Old QSL Collection

Jean Michel, F6AJA, wants to remind everyone to visit the Les Nouvelles DX (LNDX) Web page to see more than 9500 old amateur radio QSL cards in several different albums/galleries. The website can be viewed on http://LesNouvellesDX.free.fr

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EI4GXB Radio Theory Notes

Ger EI4GXB advises us that he has uploaded files to the Radio Theory section of his website which he has used for the theory class last year in Limerick. They may be of help to any candidates sitting the examination in 2012. Go to www.ei4gxb.com for further details. Comments welcome to Ger on ei4gxb /at/gmail /dot /com

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Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

1097. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1036

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-13 23:10:43 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <590447.1121.bm@smtp104.sbc.mail.bf1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 3937
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 6th-Novovember, through Sunday, 13th-November there were 233 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4U1U, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5V, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, CY0, D2, D4, D6, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HC8, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S0, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T2, T32, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9C, VK9X, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZK2, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3B8, MAURITIUS. Slavo/SP2JMB and his XYL Dorota/SP2TO will be active as 3B8GY from Mauritius Island between February 5-25th, 2012. Activity will be on all HF bands using CW, SSB and RTTY. Also, both operators will be active in ARRL International DX CW Contest (February 18-19th). QSL via

SP2JMB.

5B, CYPRUS. John, G4IRN, will be active as 5B/G4IRN from Cyprus during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) possibly as a Single-Op/ Single-Band (20m)/High-Power entry. There may be some activity prior to the contest weekend. QSL via G4IRN, direct (see QRZ.com) or by the Bureau (he accepts E-mail Bureau requests). Logs will be uploaded to LoTW upon his return to the UK.

5R, MADAGASCAR. Just a reminder to look for Eric, F6ICX, to once again be active as 5R8IC from Saint Marie Island (AF-090) between November 15th and December 17th. Activity will be holiday style operating CW, RTTY, and PSK63, and using 100 watts into various GPs or Inverted-Ls and a Hexbeam for 20-10 meters. There will be no online log during his activity. QSL via his home callsign (QRZ.com). View pictures of his last trips at: http://f6kbk.free.fr/5r8ic/5r8ic.htm

8Q, MALDIVES. Yuki, JH1NBN, will be active as 8Q7ZB from the Maldive Islands (AS-013) between November 15-29th. He is reportedly here on business. Activity will be on the HF bands, propagation permitting. He may also possibly enter the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th). QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

9G, GHANA (Update to OPDX.1035). Mark, W8MP, an airline pilot who travels periodically to Accra and plans to be active as 9G5MP, informed OPDX on Thursday that he received a short notice and is heading back to Ghana Friday night (10 hours notice). So by the time you read this, he may be on the air. Mark states that he will be there for a week and is bringing his IC7000. He mentions, "Not sure about antenna, will have a Buddipole and some random wire. Only paper logging this time, as it is either a radio or a computer. Phone and CW is the plan for now. Will work out the bugs this time and maybe do it better next time." QSL via his home call-sign.

9N, NEPAL. By the time you read this, the multi-national team should be all together and on the air as 9N7MD until November 27th. Some of the team members have arrived early and have been active as 9N7MD and 9N7DX. Activity will be on all bands using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. Also, for the first time in history, they have received official permission to use the 6 meters band without restrictions! QSL Manager is IK2VUC for direct, by the Bureau or use the OQRS (see the Web page). The LoTW files will be uploaded by the end of March 2012 (four months after QRT). Activity will also include an entry in the upcoming CQWW DX CW Contest as 9N7DX. QSL via 4Z4DX. For more details and updates, visit the "NEPAL11" Web page at: http://www.mdxc.org/nepal2011

A2, BOTSWANA (Ops needed!). Frosty, K5LBU, reports, "Well, it seems like we have lost 3 of our members for the DXpedition to Botswana in March 2012. So, therefore, we are looking for some more operators that might like to go with us. The plan is to arrive in Johannesburg on the 15th of March and spend 3 nights in a game park on the way to Botswana. Arriving at the Lotsane lodge on the 18th and returning to Johannesburg on the 28th and departing on the

29th. Will operate as A25HQ in the CQ WPX Contest while there. If you would like to go E-mail me at: 3da0cf@gmail.com
The cost is 235.00 USDs per day per person and this covers all meals, transport and lodging. All you will need is your laptop for logging and a key and headset. I plan on having a Icom 746pro, a Yaesu FT450 AND at least one Expert 1K-FA amp. Antennas are a T6 logP, HF2V, and a folded dipole that covers 160-10 meters also. Might put up another T6 if we have a total of 6 or more operators."

A3, TONGA. Haru, JA1XGI, will be active as A35XG from Tonga between April 2-9th, 2012. Activity will be on 20-6 meters (especially 30/17/12m) using mainly CW, with some SSB and the Digital modes. He is expected to use a 2 element beam on the HF bands. QSL via JA1XGI, direct or by the Bureau. QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW.

C9, MOZAMBIQUE. Mike, K9NW, will be active as C91NW from Mozambique between November 21-29th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and possibly 6m. He will also be on during the CQWW DX CW Contest as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via his home callsign.

E35, ERITREA. Erling, LA6VM, co-organizer and team leader on the E35X expedition to Eritrea in 1993, has obtained the callsign E35X and may be active again. No other details are available. Stay tune!

E5, NORTH COOK ISLANDS (Update). Last heard, Bill, N7OU, is currently active as E51NOU from Rarotonga Island (OC-013, WFF E5FF-002), South Cook Islands. His flight to Manihiki, North Cook Islands, was still being delayed (due shortage of fuel), but he is expected to leave very soon - possibly in a few days. Bill tells OPDX, "A ship has now delivered the fuel and the plane will go up as soon as two pilots can be scheduled. Because of the delay, I've moved up my departure date from Manihiki to 6th Dec. My N. Cook callsign will be E51MAN. For about the last week I've had to be packed and ready to go at short notice, but I've been operating as E51NOU on the high bands, using a wire vertical supported by a long stick I found. It's ugly but works great. All QSOs with E51NOU are S. Cook and all QSOs with E51MAN will be N. Cook. Unless you're unsure about a QSO, please don't dupe." Remember, activity from N. Cook will be on 160-10m, CW only, 500w to verticals, with his focus on Europe. QSL via N7OU.

ET3, ETHIOPIA (Update to OPDX.1035). Operator Bill, N2WB, has joined the team of Krassy/K1LZ, David/K3LP, Al/K3VN and Paul/N6PSE for the upcoming operation to Addis Ababa between December 8-13th. For the complete details, see: http://www.k3lp.com/et3aa_december_2011.htm

EY, TAJIKISTAN. Stephen, K6AW, will be active as EY3M during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (TBD) entry. QSL via W5UE. Outside of the contest, he will use the callsign EY8ZE.

FG, GUADELOUPE (Update). Armin, DK9PY, will be active as FG/DK9PY from Guadeloupe between now and November 26th. Activity will be only CW mainly on the 30/17/12 meter bands, and also on 80/40/20/15/10 meters usually

15 kHz from the bottom of the band edge. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

GB0, SCOTLAND (Special Event). Members of the Stirling and District Amateur Radio Society (SDARS) will activate special event station GB0SA from the Wallace Monument in the City of Stirling, Central Scotland, on November 26-27th. Activity is to celebrate Scotland's St. Andrew's Day (November 30th). The two days of activity are a short window of opportunity available for the SDARS group to operate on top of the monument on both days. Look for details/updates on the SDARS Web page at: http://www.gm6nx.com

HQ9, HONDURAS. Ray, WQ7R, will once again be active as HQ9R during the CQ WW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via K5WW or LoTW.

HU2, EL SALVADOR. A team consisting of Juergen/DF7TT, Ruediger/DK8YY, Oliver/DL2ARD, Ralf/DL3JJ, Ingolf/DL4JS, Daniel/DL5SE, Lu/DL8ALU, Jaroslav/OK4MM, Mario/YS1GMV, Mario/YS1MAE and Florencio/YS1ZC will be active as HU2DX from Capricho Beach House, Barra de Santiago, El Salvador, between January 29th and February 10th, 2012. Activity will be on 160-10 meters with the main focus on the lower bands. QSL via DH7WW.

IOTA NEWS.....
AF-019. (Cancelled) Tony, IK1QBT, has cancelled his activity as IH9/IK1QBT and IH9X (CQWWDXCW) from Pantelleria Island (IIA TP-001, WLOTA 0041) between November 23-28th, due to work and other reasons.

NA-076. Operators Rick/K8GI and Bill/K9RR will be active as homecall/4 from Cedar Key starting about 2000z on Saturday, November 12th through about 0100z on Tuesday, November 15th (this may vary due to weather). Activity will be on 40/30/20/15/10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK63. QSL via their home callsigns, direct (preferred) or by the Bureau. Look for K8GI/4 QSOs to be uploaded to LoTW.

OC-136. You may have one day left to work operators Lino/VK3EI and Les/VK3MLM as homecall/p from the French Island. Activity was to take place on November 13-14th. They will be operating from mid afternoon (~0400z) for a few hours and probably into the evening (weather permitting). Activity will probably be on 40m and 20m, but depending on conditions, they may also try 15m and 10m. QSL via their home callsign.

OC-164. John, VK6HZ, will once again be active as VK6ARI from Rottnest Island OC-164 between December 23-30th. Activity is usually holiday style on SSB, PSK and RTTY, possibly CW. Antenna will be a Buddipole. Activity will be around the usual IOTA frequencies. QSL via VK6HZ. Log will be uploaded to Clublog and LoTW.

SA-078. Oscar, HK6PRO, will be active as HK6PRO/1 from Palma Island, in the San Bernardo Islands group, between January 8-12th, 2012. QSL via EA5KB.

J7, DOMINICA. Operators Ken/JN1THL/AB1GJ and Yoshi/JK1KHT will be active as from the J79KT and J79YK, respectively, from Dominica (IOTA NA-101) between November 13-20th. Activity will be on all HF bands. QSL both callsigns via JN1NDY, direct only (SAE + sufficient postage).

K7, UNITED STATES (Special Event). The Central Arizona DX Association (CADXA) is very pleased to announce their special event operation in celebration of the Arizona Centennial during the week of February 13-19th, 2012. They will be using the callsign of the late Senior Senator, and Arizona native son, Barry M. Goldwater • K7UGA. Individual CADXA members will be operating from their home stations located throughout Arizona during that week using the callsign K7UGA. However, only special operating locations from Tucson, Prescott and Phoenix will be on the air celebrating the 100th anniversary on Tuesday, February 14th, 2012. Operations will be on all amateur bands (160-2 meters); and will be using CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK31 and Satellite modes. This CADXA special event operation has proudly received recognition from the 2012 Arizona Centennial Foundation as a sanctioned "Special Event"; and from the Arizona Historical Advisory Commission as an official "Centennial Legacy Project". All QSL requests go to Bob Davies • K7BHM (qrz.com) with an SASE. For more details, please go to the CADXA Web site at: http://www.cadxa(dot)org

KH2, GUAM. Haru, JA1XGI, will be active as W8XGI/KH2 from Guam (OC-026, USI GU003S, WFF KFF-110, WLOTA 0064) between December 12-14th. Activity will be on 20-10 meters (especially 30/17/12m) using mainly CW. QSL via JA1XGI, direct or by the Bureau. QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW.

KH3, JOHNSTON ISLAND (Update). Susan, W7KFI, informs OPDX that she has received permission to land on Johnston Island. She plans to leave Honolulu on January 15th, 2012, arriving on Johnston Island some 5-7 days later, depending on wind. If there is a delay for any reason she can operate through February. Her plan is to operate for 10 days setting up a tent on the pier where it will be over land using a 43 ft. vertical set into sand. Her QSL Manager Stan, KH6CG, states, "She has informed the ARRL of this station set up so they are aware for [pending] DXCC approval. Additionally, Susan will take photos and is expecting an Elecraft banner to be sent to her soon via the company. Susan will use a K3 on CW/SSB mainly." Susan also menitons to OPDX that she will operate 40 meters and up using CW, SSB and RTTY. Again she mentions she will "ANSWER ONLY FULL CALL-SIGNS...call me with three letters, etc...and you will be wasting your breath". She states there are possibilities for her to also activate several other IOTAs from V7 and T32. Stay tuned!

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (November 14-20th)....
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HN - High Normal Unsettled K� 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K� 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K� 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K� 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K�9 100-400

KP2, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS. Yuriy, N2TTA, will be active as KP2MM during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/ Low-Power entry. QSL via LoTW. For more details, see: http://www.wix.com/n2tta1/kp2mm

MD, ISLE OF MAN. Martin, G4XUM, will once again be active as MD4K during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (15 or 10m) entry. QSL via G3NKC.

NCDXF PRESS RELEASE. Glenn Johnson, W0GJ, NCDXF Vice President, reported: "The Northern California DX Foundation (NCDXF) board of directors voted on November 7, 2011, to welcome back Charles "Rusty" Epps, W6OAT, to their board. W6OAT was also elected as President effective January 1, 2012. Current President, Bruce Butler, W6OSP, will continue on the board as Treasurer. Glenn Johnson, W0GJ, will continue as Vice President and Kip Edwards, W6SZN, will continue as Secretary. NCDXF plans on adding additional individuals to their board in early 2012."

NH7, HAWAII. Albert, NH7A, will be active during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 24-25th, 2012) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via F5VHJ, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW.

OM, SLOVAK REPUBLIC. Pierre-Marie (Pedro), F6FNL/HB9DTH, is now retired in Slovaquia and has received the callsign OM0DX. Activity will be mainly RTTY and CW contesting. QSL via eQSL or LoTW. NO BUREAU QSLS.

P4, ARUBA. Valery, R5GA, will be active as P4/R5GA from Oranjestad (P49V/ P40YL Aruba Ham Radio Rental - see <www.p49v.com>) between November 20-28th. Activity will be on CW mainly on 160-10 meters, especially on the 30/17/12 meters. Operations will also include the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry using the callsign P40F. QSL via R5GA, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW.

PZ, SURINAM. Yuri, VE3DZ, will be active as PZ5T from Surinam between November 21-29th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters including 30/17/12 meters and using CW, SSB and RTTY. He will also be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via his home callsign.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated November 13th)

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5C5W via EA5XX J37LR via VE3EBN SM5LWC via AE7PP (Bureau
only)
9J2RI via ZS6RI (and LoTW) J79WTA via HB9MFM V63KZ via JA0VSH
9K2/SP4R via SP4GFG K4Y via K8DV VK9CM via OH2YY
EA8/G8BCG via G8BCG KP4MS via W4DN XF1C via XE2HUQ
EB5BBM/BA7IP via EB5BBM LX/PA3EZC/P via PA3EZC XV1X via OK1DOT (direct
only)
EG1GCA via EA1DST OK/DL8DXL/P via DL8DXL YA/PA3EFR via
PA3EFR
EG5MSV via EA5URR ON/PA3BVK via PA3BVK YP0CW via YO6EX
HB0Y/DO7MF via DO7MF OZ/KH6DXX via DF3XX ZD8F via W6HGF
HF1918RO via SP3POW PJ7/W4BUW via W4BUW ZL50GH via ZL1ANH
II4LXV via IZ4OUL PY2/PT7AG via PT7AG

LOTW PROCESSING UPDATE. The ARRL Letter reports this week: "Logbook of The World (LoTW) has been managing to hold its own against the current high volume of incoming logs. An approximate 60 hour processing delay has been maintained for about a week. As of November 9th, there are approximately 2.8 million QSOs in the LoTW queue. Many logs are still coming in from the CQ WW and the ARRL Sweepstakes Contests that were held the last two weekends. If you have already uploaded a log, there is no need to upload it again. By doing so, you will only add to the lengthy queue. Also, please do not send entire logs that contain previously uploaded QSOs. Please use the date range option when signing logs. This will allow you to select QSOs from your log within a specific date range. By following these guidelines, this will allow LoTW to process the backlog at a faster pace. The ARRL IT staff has been working diligently to speed up the LoTW processing time and eliminate the backlog. Thanks again for your patience."

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 5N7Q, CT3FQ, DF9ZP, DH7BQA, DL1SBR, F8DZU, G4SOF, G7FSI, I2EAY, IF9ZWA, KL7RA, LX7I, LY1G, OE6MDF, PA1MR/P, PI4DX, PJ7J, PR2P, RN1A, TX7M, V26B, V26P, VK7ZX, VK9OL, VP2MDG, VP5DX, VP5T, WP4NEG, YJ0VK, YL2QV, YO9HP, ZK2X and ZL6RWC

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3A2MD, 4L1UN, 5R8KS, 5Z4/JA7SGV, BA4DW, BV1EL, C31CT, EA6UN, FG5DH, GI0RQK, GW0ETF, H77REX, HS0ZBS, J88DR, JG8NQJ/JD1, LA6YEA, MU0FAL, NH0S, OJ0UR, PJ5/SP6EQZ, RI1FJA, ST0R, T8XX, T88UE, UG6GAE, V26OB, V85/WK1S, VP8DMN, XV2RZ, YB0/WK1S, YB8/WK1S, YB9/WK1S, YL2BJ, Z35T, ZD8D and ZK2V

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 5V7CC, 7Z1HL, 8P9NX, 8R1PY, A35AY, BA5AN, BD1BYV, BD1WC, BG1TPD, H40FN, HB0/DG1SFJ, HL5/DL3OCH, HS0ZIV, J79VO, J79ZG, KH6OO, KL2R, KL5DX, NP3IR, OD5/DL6SN, OX/DL2SWW, OX/DL2VFR, PJ2M, PJ4I, RA2FT, S9DX, S92LX, SV9COL, SV9OFS, TO7ZG, TO8YY, UP8WFF, V51LK, ZP6CW, ZY0F and ZY0T

SILENT KEY. It was reported that Ed Reinberg, W6JI, became a "Silent Key" (SK) on October 21st, 2011, at the age of 81. He was a ham for over 61 years, and Ed was an avid CW operator/DXer and was a member of the DXCC Honor Roll with 351 countries on CW. OPDX and its readers would like to

send out our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of W6JI.

SOUTH SUDAN NEWS. John, K1XN, from the GoList, reports: "Folks, I have been told by an IARU offical that callsign allocation for South Sudan will most likely take place late January or early February 2012. The ARRL is accepting this one callsign, ST0R, as South Sudan for credit in DXCC."

T2, TUVALU. Members of the "Pacific DXers" are now active as T2T from Tuvalu (OC-015) until December 8th. Activity will be on all HF bands, 160-6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL Manager is the Pacific DXers (see Web page), or by the Bureau via VK4FW. Bureau requests are also accepted by E-mail to eliminate sending your QSL via the Bureau (saves time!). PLEASE NOTE: VK4FW is the current QSL Manager for Pacific DXers: Bill Horner, 13 McConnell Rd, Maidenwell, QLD 4615, Australia --or-- via E-mail: QSL-Mgr@pacific-dxers.com
If an InterNet connection (doubtful)can be established during the operation an online log will be updated on a regular basis, otherwise it will be uploaded as soon as they return home. LoTW and eQSL will be uploaded within 12 months after the operation finishes. For more details and updates, visit: http://c21.pacific-dxers.com/T2T.html

T8, PALAU. Arkadiy, UA4CC, will be active as T8CC or T88UU from Palau between December 6-16th. Activity will be holiday style during his spare time on 160-10 meters (possibly 6m) using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via UA4CC, by the Bureau or direct. Logs will be uploaded to the Clublog Web page and LoTW as soon as possible.

TI, COSTA RICA. Alan, K0AV, will be active as TI5A during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (TBD). QSL via TI5KD or LoTW.

TP50, FRANCE. The "Council of Europe Radio Amateur Club" (CERAC - TP2CE) will be active as TP50CE between December 2-4th. Activity is to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the European Social Charter. Operations are usually on all HF bands and modes, and possibly the satellites. QSL via F5LGF. An online log search will be available at: http://ewwa.free.fr

TR, GABON. Sebastien, F4EIH, will be in Gabon starting February 1st, 2012, for 3 years at least. Currently the callsign is unknown. Activity is expected to be on the HF and VHF (EME + Sat) bands using SSB, PSK31 and JT65.

V3, BELIZE (Update). Operators Dennis/K2SX and Leslie/W2LK will be active as V31SX and V31AO between November 22-29th. Activity will include the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Multi-Single entry using the callsign V31AO. QSL via LoTW. Their operations outside of the contest will be mainly CW with some RTTY. Look for them on the lower bands and the 30/17/12 meter bands. They will also do some 6 meters, conditions permitting.

V4, ST. KITTS (Cancelled). Andy, N2NT, had to cancel his activity as V47NT from the QTH of V47KP for the CQWW DX CW Contest. He states the

station was not available this year.

VE, CANADA. Sandy, YO3ND, is in Montreal for the next 6 months and will be active as VE2/YO3ND. The bands/modes of operation were not provided. QSL via his home callsign.

Z2, ZIMBABWE. Antonio, DL4EA/EA4KT, will once again be active as Z24EA from Harare between November 12-22nd. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. As a base he will use Fernando's, Z21BB, station, and will try to make the best of the present good propagation conditions, paying special attention to possible openings on the 6m band. QSL via the Bureau to DL4EA, or LoTW, or eQSL.

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Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�subscribe>

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http://www.papays.com/opdx.html

ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:

http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html

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1098. Re: Gender Identity Crisis

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-14 06:12:01 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <b71ace34-240b-4046-aa97-c6cda180557f@y42g2000yqh.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3938
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner.flame_fest,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.cb

On Oct 23, 12:54 pm, kb9rqz <m...@kb9rqz.com> wrote:
> On Oct 23, 12:26 am, "Anon" <anon@anon> wrote:
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> > Mark suffers from a severe gender identity crisis.
> > One day he is "straight", the next day he is bisexual, and the next day he
> > can't decide.
>
> wrong

1099. Re: get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-14 20:07:53 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <12d1db76-b7da-4b12-8314-04e1bce2af42@14g2000yqo.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3939
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner.flame_fest,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.cb

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On Nov 9, 6:16 pm, kb9rqz <m...@kb9rqz.com> wrote:
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1100. [DXNL] DXNL 1754 (Nov 16, 2011)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-15 19:44:40 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <1903832062.20111115204120@dxhf.darc.de>
Source record: 3940
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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6O, SOMALIA
Darko,J28AA/E70A, plans to show up as 6O0DX from Somalia working in
CW, SSB and RTTY on 80m-10m from Nov 21-30. His equipment includes an
IC735 and FT857D, a commercial vertical and a dipole for 80m.
QSL via K2PF or E77E, bureau & LoTW.

8Q, MALDIVES, AS-013
Yuki,JH1NBN, is working as 8Q7ZB from Male, the capital of the
Maldive Islands (AS-013), in his spare time until Nov 29.
QSL via homecall.

9L, SIERRA LEONE, AF-037
A team of German HAMs including DJ8NK, DL5CW, DL9USA, DL2VW and DJ9RR
will be active as 9L0W from the Banana Islands (AF-037) between Nov 22
and Dec 4. Activities will take place in CW, SSB and RTTY on 160m-6m.
QSL via DK2WV.

C6, BAHAMAS, NA-001
Kenny,K2KW, Gene,KB7Q, Fred,KE7X (C6AKX), Walter,N6XG, Jeff,N6XR, and
Mike,WA6O, are going to visit Eleuthera Island (NA-001) from Nov 18-28.
They will sign C6AAW in the CQWW CW Contest. QSL via WA4WTG.
They are using their personal C6A calls before and after the contest.

C9, MOZAMBIQUE
Mike,K9NW, will be QRV as C91NW in CW, SSB and RTTY on 160m-10m from
Nov 21-29. He will join the WWDX CW Contest as SOAB. QSL via homecall.

CO, CUBA, NA-015
The prefixes CL9/CM9/CO9 are belonging to clubstations or to OMs
working from them. The prefixes T4/CO0/CM0/CL0 are reserved especially
for IOTA activities, contest teams, special event stations, etc.

E3, ERITREA
Erling,LA6VM, co-organizer of the E35X DXpedition to Eritrea in 1993,
has once again got the callsign E35X and could be active on the bands
already. Stay tuned! QSL via homecall.

E5, NORTH COOK
N7OU is using the callsign E51MAN from Manihiki (North Cook, OC-014).
On Rarotonga (OC-013) he has used E51NOU as mentioned before.
QSLs via homecall.

EL, LIBERIA
The VooDoo Contest Group plan to take part in the CQ WWDX CW Contest
for the 23rd time in a row. This year they will join the M/M category
as EL2A a little south of Monrovia. QSL via G3SXW.
They will start operation on Nov 21 with their personal callsigns:
EL2A - Roger, G3SXW
EL2CW - Bud, N7CW
EL2LF - Lee, KY7M
EL2MF - Mike, KC7V
EL2NS - Ned, AA7A
EL2WP - Fred, G4BWP
QSLs via homecalls. The upload to LoTW will be done soon.
The group wants to thank the Liberian Radio Amateur Association for
their wonderful support.

FJ, ST BARTHELEMY, NA-146
Nikola,FJ/VE3EY, and John,FJ/VE3TA, will be QRV from St. Barth (NA-146)
from Nov 22-29. During the WWDX CW Contest they will sign TO3A as M/S.
QSLs via homecall, TO3A via VE3EY.
Their website is: http://dx.fireroute.com/to3a

FS, ST MARTIN / PJ7, SINT MAARTEN, NA-105
Jean-Pierre,F5AHO, plans to show up as FS/F5AHO from St Martin (NA-105)
or as PJ7/F5AHO from the Durch part Sint Maarten from Nov 17-30.
He also plans to activate Tintamarre Island (NA-199) as FS/F5AHO/p
during the weekends of Nov 19/20 and Nov 26/27.
Listen for him in SSB/RTTY/PSK31 on 20m and 17m. QSL via homecall.

J6, ST LUCIA, NA-108
Bill,K9HZ, will be QRV again as J68HZ from Labrelotte Bay (IOTA NA-108,
WLOTA L-1336) working in CW and SSB from Nov 19 until Dec 3.
Following frequencies are announced: CW: 3550, 7050, 14050 kHz;
SSB: 3770, 7155, 14155 kHz. Listen on 40m and 20m from 1600-2400 UTC.
QSL via homecall.

J7, DOMINICA, NA-101
Once again Walter,HB9MFM, is active as J79WTA from Dominica (NA-101)
until Dec 7. He is working in SSB and digital modes on 160m-30m.
QSL via homecall.

Ken,J79KT (JN1THL/AB1GJ), and Yoshi,J79YK (JK1KHT), are working on
all HF bands until Nov 20. QSLs via JN1NDY, unfortunately only direct.

JA, JAPAN
The special event station 8J4EQ is active in all modes on all bands
until Jan 31, 2012, to mark the "Earthquake Disaster and the Disaster
Prevention Day". QSL via bureau.

The special event station 8J5SSS is also working in all modes on all
bands to celebrate the 54th Saijo Sangyo Sai (Saijo Industry Festival)
until Nov 30. Saijo (JCC 3806) is situated in the region Shikoku,
prefecture Ehime, Shikoku (AS-076). QSL via bureau.

The special event station 8N2IWA is activated on all bands until Dec 11
to mark the 40th anniversary of Iwakura city (JCC 2030). Iwakura lies
in the prefecture Aichi on Honshu Island (AS-007, WLOTA 2376).
The city was founded on Dec 1, 1971. QSL via bureau.

OM, SLOVAKIA
Pierre-Marie (Pedro),F6FNL/HB9DTH, has retired and is now active as
OM0DX from Slovakia. He is working mainly in RTTY and CW.
QSL via eQSL or LoTW.

P4, ARUBA, SA-036
Valery,P4/R5GA, wants to show up from Aruba (SA-036, WLOTA 0033) from
Nov 20-28. He will join the WWDX CW Contest as SOAB signing P40F.
QSLs via R5GA and LoTW.

PZ, SURINAME
Yuri,VE3DZ, is expected to become active from Suriname working in CW,
SSB and RTTY on 160m-10m as PZ5T from Nov 21-29, including the WWDX CW.
QSL via homecall.

SU, EGYPT
Vlad,SU9VB, has been spotted on 160m around 0300 UTC.
QSL via UA4WHX, direct or LoTW.

TK, CORSICA, EU-014
The Bavarian Contest Club members Mario,TK/DJ2MX, Matthias,TK/DK4YJ,
Simon,TK/DJ4MZ, Ulf,TK/DK5TX, Christoph,TK/DK9TN, Luise,TK/DL2MLU, and
Ben,TK/DL6RAI, will stay on Corsica (EU-014, WLOTA 1390, DIFM TK-001,
MIA MCO-001) from Nov 23-28. Activities are planned in SSB/CW/digital
modes on 10m-160m and also in the WWDX CW Contest, signing TK4W.
For TK4W QSLs they will put up an OQRS at: http://www.dq4w.de/2011/tk4w
QSLs for TK4W via bureau or direct to DJ2MX.
All other QSLs via the operators homecalls.

V3, BELIZE
Dennis,K2SX, and Leslie,W2LK, plan to become active as V31SX and V31AO
from Nov 22-29. They will work mainly in CW/RTTY before the contest and
will join the WWDX in the M/S class. Their call will be anounced later.
QSLs via homecalls, LoTW.

V5, NAMIBIA
Like (almost) every year Klaus,DJ4SO, is active from Namibia during the
WWDX CW Contest. He will work as V5/DJ4SO in CW/RTTY/PSK31 and some SSB

on 160m-6m from the Farm Heimat (Loc JG87xc) between Nov 17 and Dec 14.
QSLs via bureau, direct, LoTW or with an e-mail to klaus@dj4so.de
No eQSLs!

V8, BRUNEI, OC-088
The special call V84SEA will be active from the 39th SeaNet Convention
in Bandar Seri Begawan, capital of Brunei (OC-088), from Nov 15-21.
Unfortunately QSLs only direct.

VP2, MONTSERRAT, NA-103
Gregor,VP2MGO (DF7OGO), Tom,VP2MWT (K3WT), Ron,VP2MTA (N0AT),
Vlad,VP2MTL (N0STL) and Bill,VP2MOR (W0OR), are planning to activate
Montserrat (NA-103) in CW/SSB/RTTY on 160m-6m from Nov 18 until Dec 6.
They will use the call VP2MWG in the WWDX CW and ARRL 160m Contests.
QSLs for VP2MWG via N0AT, all other QSLs should be sent via homecalls.
More information and updates can be found on their website at:
http://www.vp2mwg.comeze.com

VU, INDIA
The special event station AU2JCB is celebrating the birthday of the
Indian physicist and radio pioneer Jagadish Chandra Bose in SSB on 40m
to 10m between Nov 19 and Dec 4. QSL via VU2DSI, only direct.

Z2, ZIMBABWE
Antonio,DL4EA, is active as Z24EA from the QTH of Z21BB until Nov 22.
He is working in all modes on 160m-6m. QSL via homecall.

ZD8, ASCENSION ISLAND, AF-003
Steve,G3ZVW/AF6SU, announced to be QRV as ZD8N from Ascension (AF-003)
from Nov 21 until Dec 2. He was not there for three years but will be
QRV in CW, SSB and digital modes on 80m-10m now (maybe also WWDX CW).
QSL via G3ZVW.

Jorma,ZD8X (OH2KI), and Oliver,ZD8W (W6NV), are going to ZD8 as well
from Nov 20-29. They will join the WWDX CW Contest as a M/S team using
an Elecraft K3, KPA500 amplifier, triband yagis, dipoles for the low
bands and separate antennas for receiving. QSLs via homecalls.
They are looking forward to the pile ups!

WORLD CASTLES AWARD PROGRAM
After a few months of testing the WCA E-log is up and running now. The
author and manager is Jiri,OK5NN (ex-OK2SJI). The WCA E-Log allows an
easy QSO check for the World Castles Award Program.

A2 - OPs needed: Three members of the DXpedition to Botswana in March 2012
have cancelled their participation. If you like to jump in and join
please send an e-mail to: 3da0cf@gmail.com
The costs are 235 US $ per person per day and you have to bring only
your notebook, key and headset!

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Nov 18 UFT-YL-CW-Contest (80m)
Nov 19 UFT-YL-CW-Contest (40m)
Nov 19/20 All Austrian 160m Contest
Nov 19/20 RSGB 1.8 MHz Contest
Nov 19/20 LZ DX Contest
Nov 20 HOT Party
Nov 26/27 CQ WWDX Contest, CW

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AF-019, IG9, Pelagie Islands: Emilio,IH9/IZ1GAR, will be active from the
Pantelleria Islands (IIA TP-001, WLOTA 0041) from Nov 23-28. He will
use the call IH9R in the CQWW CW Contest. QSL via IZ1GAR.

Tony,IK1QBT, is also working from Pantelleria during that time period.
He will join the WWDX CW Contest as IH9X. QSL via IK1QBT.

AN-016, several, Antarctica: Starting on Nov 16 Karel,ON5TN, works as OR4TN
during his spare time on the Belgian Antarctic station "Princess
Elisabeth" (WAP BEL-02) until the end of February 2012. More info can
be found on QRZ.com (OR4TN). QSL via ON5TN (direct).
More information about the station at: http://www.antarcticstation.org

AS-023, JA6, Amami Islands: Hiro,JA6WFM, and Naomi,JM6EBU, will show up as
JF6YME/6 from Yoron (WLOTA 0287) from Nov 21-23. QSL via JA6WFM.

SA-095, CE4, O'Higgins/Maule Region group: Cezar,VE3LYC, and Dino,CE3PG,
are planning to activate Papuya Island from Nov 20-23. Activities will
take place in CW and SSB on 40m, 30m, 20m and 17m using two IC7000 and
multiband verticals. This is a first activation of a new IOTA group!
QSLs via VE3LYC.
More info at: http://ce4a.yolasite.com/team.php and http://www.ce3aa.cl

WFF activities:
PJ5/DL7VOG PAFF-025 Nov 15-Dec 6

Lighthouse activities

FJ/VE3EY LH 0377 Nov 22-29
FJ/VE3TA LH 0377 Nov 22-29
J68HZ LH 1336 Nov 19-Dec 03
KH6/WJ2O LH 9965 Nov 23-30
VP2MGO LH 1475 Nov 18-Dec 06
VP2MOR LH 1475 Nov 18-Dec 06
VP2MTA LH 1475 Nov 18-Dec 06
VP2MTL LH 1475 Nov 18-Dec 06

VP2MWT LH 1475 Nov 18-Dec 06
VP2V/N3DXX LH 0347 Nov 23-30
ZD8N LH 1491 Nov 21-Dec 02
ZD8W/ZD8X LH 1491 Nov 21-19

Bandspots of the last 7 days

80m
EA6/HA6PJ 3.510 2018Z EU-004, via HA6PJ (B), eQSL

30m
A6/DL9WVM 10.104 1550Z via DL9WVM
JY5HX 10.111 2023Z (d)
K1VT 10.114 2300Z (L), eQSL
TR8CA 10.103 0527Z via F6CBC (d)

20m
HG0WFF 14.022 1212Z via HA0HW (B)
HK1X 14.220 2004Z via EA7FTR
NS7P 14.061 1919Z SOTA W7/CC-048 (L)
OD5NJ 14.033 1627Z (d)
TU2T 14.271 0715Z via I2YSB
TU2T 14.030 0717Z via I2YSB (d) or IK2CIO (B)
W4EON 14.345 1743Z SOTA W4/HB-031
W7IMC 14.342 1808Z SOTA W7/IC-285

17m
N2TS 18.072 2010Z
ZD8ZZ 18.071 0733Z AF-003, via K7ZZ (L/d)

15m
BA7IO 21.020 1402Z (B), (L)
CN3LY 21.035 1550Z via F5VLY (B)
HR9/WQ7R 21.020 1220Z via K5MM
KP2/K1ZE 21.031 1637Z
NP4Z 21.019 1650Z via N4AO
PJ5/SP6EQZ 21.023 1544Z via SP6EQZ (B), (L)
PJ7/W4BUW 21.025 1201Z via W4BUW (B)
TU2T 21.020 1503Z via I2YSB (d) or IK2CIO (B)
UA8WAA/9 21.025 1140Z
VQ9JC 21.022 1149Z via ND9M (B)
W4EON 21.331 1659Z SOTA W4/SH012
YI9EO 21.029 1201Z via N4EO
7Q7GM 21.029 1617Z via GM4FDM (B)
7U1MA 21.010 1613Z 7X bureau
8Q7CC 21.270 0958Z via I0WDX

12m
T6BP 24.909 0905Z via 9A6AA (d)
7Q7GM 24.900 1034Z via GM4FDM (B)

10m
E71A 28.011 1628Z
FG/DK9PY 28.014 1603Z NA-102, via homecall (B)
HC2SL 28.011 1558Z via EA5KB (B)
HR9/AI5P 28.032 1655Z via AI5P (B)
JT1KAA 28.058 0955Z (B), (L)
K9KEJ 28.433 1543Z
N6ER 28.440 1532Z (L)
RW0CN 28.443 0830Z CQ zone 19 (B)
TU2T 28.033 1220Z via I2YSB (d) or IK2CIO (B)
VQ9JC 28.019 1258Z via ND9M (B)
W3EP 28.007 1233Z
6Y7Q 28.530 1239Z

(d) Only direct
(B) Bureau ok
(L) NoTW
(r) Bureau QSL via e-mail request

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

-Dec 3Y8XSA 1700/1717
15Nov-17Dec 5R8IC 1753
-2014 5Z4EE 1742/1753
-Apr/12 5Z4RH ? 1674
21Nov-30Nov 6O0DX 1754 *
Nov 7U1MA 1752
-23Nov 7Q7HB 1717/1743
17Nov-25Nov 7Z7AA 1753
-Mar/12 8J1ING 1751
-30Nov 8J1MORSE.. 1731
01Nov-20Nov 8J1SIT5O 1751
-Sep/12 8J2NDP.. 1751
-31Jan 8J4EQ 1754 *
-30Nov 8J5SSS 1754 *
-11Dec 8N2IWA 1754 *
07Nov-21Nov 8P9DL.. 1572
15Nov-29Nov 8Q7ZB 1754 *
-31Dec 9A11P 1723
-21Nov 9A20V 1743
Regularly 9G5MP 1753
-2012 9J2RI 1739/1742
22Nov-04Dec 9L0W 1754 *
NOW 9M2/KM9D 1731
Long term 9N1FE 1740
14Nov-24Nov 9N7MD 1753
Soon 9Q1EK 1669
-Nov 9Q6CC 1699
-Oct/14 9V1RM 1751

-? A35CT 1741
-Sep/13 A52SV 1752
-26Nov A6/DL9WVM 1753
Unknown A92KT 1753
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-31Dec BP100 1684
-31Dec BV100 1684
18Nov-28Nov C6AAW.. 1754 *
21Nov-29Nov C91NW 1754 *
20Nov-23Nov CE4A 1754 *
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Unknown D44TAL 1753
-31Dec CW5RV 1711
05Oct-31Dec CY0/VE1AWW 1748
-Jul/12 D2QV 1750
-Apr/12? D2SG 1748
Unknown E35X 1754 *
Unknown E51NNV 1752
10Nov-22Nov E51NOU/E51MAN 1752/1753/1754 *
Unknown E51TLA 1753
Unknown EG5VOR 1753
21Nov-30Nov EL2A.. 1754 *
06Nov-25Nov FG/DK9PY 1752
-Mar/13 FH8NX 1747
-Jul/12 FR8NE 1710
14Nov-20Nov GB1CSC 1753
-31Dec GB40HMSB 1748

-31Dec HB60LU 1711
-30Nov HB9STEVE 1753
-31Dec HG15IPA 1724
01Jan-31Dec HG200LST 1708
13Nov HG5BNV 1751
Sep -2013 HI3/KL7JR 1745
17Nov-20Nov HK1/EA7ATX 1753
-16Nov HK3JCL 1743
NOW HL2/KC6STQ 1746
01Jan-31Dec IA7MM 1708
23Nov-28Nov IH9R.. 1754 *
01Jan-31Dec II1ITA.. 1708
-31Dec II4LXV 1742
30Oct-30Nov IR3MD 1751

-2012 J28FJ 1739
-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul/12 J28RO 1683
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
19Nov-03Dec J68HZ 1754 *
13Nov-20Nov J79KT.. 1754 *
-7Dec J79WTA 1703/1754 *

05Nov-19Nov K4E 1752
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
-May/12 KH4/W5FJG 1728
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21Nov-23Nov JF6YME/6 1754 *
-31Dec LA200D 1713
Unknown LA2RRA/mm 1753
-31Dec LM9L40Y 1748
-31Dec LZ85R 1721

-Mar/12 OA/OE3NHW 1749
01Nov-30Nov OL60OU 1753
Resident OM0DX 1754 *
-31Dec ON30CLM 1753
-Feb/12 OR4TN 1754 *
Long term P29FM 1752
-Mar/12 P29FR 1742
01Jan-31Dec PA30.. 1708
-Apr/12 PJ4/PE1MAE 1753
20Nov-28Nov P4/R5GA.. 1754 *
13Nov-05Dec PJ5/DL7VOG 1753
17Nov-30Nov PJ7/F5AHO.. 1754 *
21Nov-29Nov PZ5T 1754 *
-30Nov R300ML 1743
-Dec RI1ANC 1708
-Sep/12 RI1FJA 1741
-Sep/12 RI1FJM 1741

-30Nov S550ACP 1745
NOW ST2AR 1745
-30Nov SU/HA3JB 1743
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-Nov T5/TA1AMC 1745
10Nov-05Dec T2T 1753
-Apr/12 T6BP 1746
-Nov T6FR 1742
-Jun/12 T6MO 1733
-Nov T6SH 1734
23Nov-28Nov TK4W.. 1754 *
22Nov-29Nov TO3A.. 1754 *
23Oct-23Dec TT8PK 1670/1723/1752

22Nov-29Nov V31AO.. 1754 *
17Nov-14Dec V5/DJ4SO 1700/1701/1715/1754 *
Unknown V63JB 1752
-Nov/14 V73NS 1604/1668/1752
15Nov-21Nov V84SEA 1754 *
-Dec/11 VK0BFG 1741
NOW VK0TH (Macq) 1748
Nov VK100ARV 1752
18Nov-06Dec VP2MWG.. 1754 *

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28Oct-31Dec VP9/N1SV 1747
02Nov-16Nov VP9KF 1724/1752
28Oct-31Dec VP9/N1SV 1751

-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
NOW XT2RJA 1712
12Nov-05Dec XV2CO 1753
-21Nov XU7AEO 1753
01Nov-12Dec XV2RZ 1751
11Nov-17Nov YB26SEAG 1753
-22Nov Z24EA 1754 *
08Nov-22Nov ZD8F.. 1752
21Nov-2Dec ZD8N 1754 *
20Nov-29Nov ZD8W.. 1754 *
15Oct-29Dec ZK2V.. 1749
-31Dec ZL50GH 1711
-2012 ZS7KX 1740/1749
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* New or updated
.. Find other calls

QSL information

AU2JCB via VU2DSI (d)
C6AAW via WA4WTG (B)
C6AKX via KE7X (B), (L), eQSL
C91NW via K9NW
CE4A via VE3LYC (B)
E51MAN via N7OU (B)
EA8/G8BCG via G8BCG
EB5BBM/BA7IP via EB5BBM (B), (L)
EG1GCA via EA1DST (B)
EG5MSV via EA5URR
EL2A via G3SXW (B)
EL2CW via N7CW
EL2LF via KY7M (B)
EL2MF via KC7V (B)
EL2NS via AA7A (B)
EL2WP via G4BWP (B)
FJ/VE3EY via VE3EY (B)
FJ/VE3TA via VE3TA
FS/F5AHO/p via F5AHO (B)
HB0Y/DO7MF via DO7MF (B)
HC7AE via EA7FTR
K4Y via K8DV (B)
K8A via W4PA
KP4MS via W4DN (B)
LX/PA3EZC/p via PA3EZC • eQSL
NP4DX via W3HNK (d)
OD5KU via EB7DX (d)

OK/DL8DXL/p via DL8DXL (B)
OM0DX via eQSL, (L)
ON/PA3BVK via PA3BVK
OR4TN via ON5TN (d)
OZ/KH6DXX via DF3XX (B)
P4/R5GA via R5GA, (L)
P40F via R5GA, (L)
P40GH via WA2TTI (d)
PJ7/F5AHO via F5AHO (B)
PJ7/W4BUW via W4BUW (B)
SU9VB via UA4WHX (L), (d)
TK/DJ2MX via DJ2MX (B), (L), OQRS
TK/DJ4MZ via DJ4MZ (B)
TK/DK4YJ via DK4YJ (B)
TK/DK5TX via DK5TX (B)
TK/DK9TN via DK9TN (B)
TK/DL2MLU via DL2MLU (B)
TK/DL6RAI via DL6RAI (B)
TK4W via DJ2MX (B), OQRS
TO3A via VE3EY (B)
UN8GV via RD3AY (B), (d - paypal)
V31AO via W2LK (L)
V31SX via K2SX (L)
V5/DJ4SO via DJ4SO (B), (L)
V63KZ via JA0VSH (B)
V84SEA via (d)
VK9CM via OH2YY (B)
VK9XM via DL2RMC (B)
VP2MGO via DF7OGO (B)
VP2MOR via W0OR
VP2MTA via N0AT (B)
VP2MTL via N0STL
VP2MWG via N0AT (B)
VP2MWT via K3WT
XF1C via XE2HUQ (d)
XV1X via OK1DOT (d)
YA/PA3EFR via PA3EFR
YP0CW via YO6EX (B)
Z24EA via DL4EA (B), (L), eQSL
ZD8F via W6HGF (B)
ZD8N via G3ZVW (B)
ZD8X via OH2KI (B)
ZL50GH via ZL1ANH (B), (L)
ZP9MCE via EA5ZD (d)
3D2SJ via K4ZLE (B)
5C5W via EA5XX (d)
5N7M via OM3CGN (B)
5R8UI via IZ8CCW (d)
6O0DX via K2PF (B), E77E (B), (L)

8J4EQ via (B)
8J5SSS via (B)
8N2IWA via (B)
8Q7CC via I0WDX (d)
8Q7EJ via G3VDB (B), (L)
8Q7ZB via JH1NBN (d)
9J2RI via ZS6RI (L)
9K2/SP4R via SP4GFG (B)
9L0W via DK2WV (B)
9M2IDJ via JA6IDJ
9N7DX via 4Z4DX

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(B) Bureau ok
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(r) E-mail request

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1101. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 07 - 13 November 2011

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Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
07 - 13 November 2011

Solar activity was at low to moderate levels. Activity began at low levels on 07 November, although Regions 1339 (N19E45, L=102, class/area Fkc/1540 on 04 November) and 1338 (S=14, L=121, class/area Ehi/375 on 03 November) both exhibited spot areal coverage growth. Late on 07 November, a filament channel eruption was observed in SDO/AIA imagery beginning around 07/2232Z. LASCO C2 imagery first indicated a CME liftoff from the NW limb at 07/2348Z. Activity remained at low levels on 08 November, as Regions 1339 and 1338 both started to decay and simplify magnetically. On 09 November, activity increased to moderate levels when a long duration M1 flare occurred at 09/1335Z. Associated with this event were a Type II radio sweep with an estimated shock velocity of 750 km/s and an Earth directed full-halo CME, visible in LASCO C2 imagery at 09/1336Z. Activity decreased to low levels on 10 November with the largest event of the day being a C6/1f flare at 10/1831Z. Region 1339 remained the largest region on the disk but continued to decay. On 11 November, activity remained at low levels with Region 1344 (S19, L=101, class/area Dai/200 on 12 November) producing a long duration C4/Sf flare at 11/0705Z with an associated partial-halo CME. The CME had an estimated plane-of-sky speed of 825 km/s, based on SOHO/LASCO C2 images, and appeared to have a slight earth directed component. On 12 November, activity remained at low levels with occasional C-class flares. Regions 1339 and 1338 continued to decay while Region 1344 continued to increase in magnetic complexity, areal coverage, and total spot count before stabilizing on 13 November

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at normal levels throughout the period.

Geomagnetic field activity ranged from quiet to minor storm levels. The period began under quiet to unsettled conditons on 07 November. Activity increased on 08 November to quiet to unsettled conditions with isolated periods of active to minor storm levels at high latitudes. Mostly quiet levels returned on 09 November and continued through 13 November.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
16 November - 12 December 2011

Solar activity is expected to be at predominately low levels with a chance for M-class activity through the period. Old Region 1339 (N19, L=102) returns on 27 November bringing an increased probability of M-class activity and a slight chance for an X-class event.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at background levels.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be quiet for the greater portion of the forecast period. Unsettled conditions are possible on 26-27 November and again on 09-10 December with the return of recurrent coronal hole high speed streams.

1102. The ARES E-Letter for November 16, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-16 06:22:28 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
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==> HURRIQUAKE 2011

The week of August 22, 2011 may go down in weather history as one of
the strangest in the Washington, DC area : On Tuesday, August 23, our
area was hit with a magnitude 5.8 earthquake. I'm sure the quake took
everyone by surprise. It sure surprised me. Damage was light, but
widespread, including what looks like about 25 million dollars done to
the National Cathedral, and an as-yet undetermined amount of damage to
the Washington Monument, which remains closed. There was significant
damage to the building housing the ham shack at the Armed Forces
Retirement Home in Washington, DC. That is not good news for the Marine
Corps Marathon radio operators.

Immediately after the earthquake, many cell phone systems buckled under
the load of everyone trying to call everyone else. In College Park,
Maryland, where I work, even the wire line phones had some problems.

Prince Georges County ARES® activated a resource net on the local
repeater to marshal radio resources in case of need. We stood by for
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about six hours, but as the evening wore on, we ended the net as it became clear that normal communications were working again.

The following Saturday night, Hurricane Irene passed just east of the area. The County Government activated the EOC at 4 PM Saturday and called for RACES and ARES communications support for storm shelters in the southern end of the county. RACES operators under the leadership of RACES Radio Officer Ken Greenhouse, KB3IIE, and ARES Emergency Coordinator Jim Montgomery, WB3KAS, deployed to two shelters, one at the Baden VFD and one at the Bunker Hill VFD. As the evening wore on, power failed at the Baden shelter and the generator there failed to start. We provided communications as the Red Cross redeployed the shelter to the Brandywine VFD during the storm.

RACES operators established HF and VHF radio communications with the State and adjacent county ARES/RACES groups. As the peak of the storm passed at about 2 AM, a large tree fell across the utility lines at the entrance to the EOC property cutting off electric power, Internet and land line phones as well as the cable TV to the facility. It took the county more than one hour to get the generator at the EOC to stay on-line. Of course no one could come into or leave the EOC complex because the tree was blocking the entrance.

Once the generator did come on-line, we discovered that the generator does not provide power to the EOC radio room. All of the radios there were useless without AC or DC power. Meanwhile, I maintained contact with the shelters thanks to my trusty Yaesu HT and the Green Mountain Repeater Association's 146.61 MHz repeater. The repeater worked flawlessly through the night and we maintained communications for the Red Cross personnel at the EOC and in the shelters until the shelters were secured late Sunday morning.

The county fire personnel started calling it "HurriQuake 2011." Not many ARES/RACES groups can say that they had to contend with an earthquake and a hurricane in one week.

Special thanks to the Green Mountain Repeater Association for the continued great support and the use of the .61 repeater. We literally could not have done it without them and their machine. - Spence Spencer, NX3SS <http://www.qrz.com/db/nx3ss>, <http://www.qrz.com/db/nx3ss> AEC for Operations, Prince Georges County Maryland ARES

==> ARES® DOCKET

Amateurs Assist with Communications in Aftermath of Rare October Nor'easter
<http://www.arrl.org/news/amateurs-assist-with-communications-in-aftermath-of-rare-october-nor-easter>
- ARRL Letter

Agreement Inked Between ARRL East Bay Section and Bay Area Red Cross

ARRL Section Manager Jim Latham, AF6AQ, has announced the formal signing of a local Statement of Cooperation between the ARRL East Bay Section and the Bay Area Chapter of the American Red Cross. "This is a significant step as we rebuild the ARES® program in the Section. We now have a served agency that recognizes ARES locally and that is recognized by ARES," Latham said in a statement.

The local Statement of Cooperation supplements the national Memorandum of Understanding between the American Red Cross and the ARRL that has been in effect since March, 2010 and anticipates increased local familiarity and cooperation between the two entities. A copy of the document will be made available for review on the East Bay Section <http://www.eastbaysectionarrl.org/> Web site.

Latham added: "It is now more important than ever that we be able to exhibit that we are professional-quality, well-equipped, and well-trained Amateur Radio operators. To this end, we will be implementing on-line local ARES registration so that we will have an up-to-date listing of the Section's members and leaders. We will also be implementing training and education programs sponsored by the Section to ensure a common, minimum level of training for members and leaders alike. Look for additional changes and progress as we organize and build the ARES program in the Section." [Jim Latham, AF6AQ, is Section Manager, ARRL East Bay Section; and Emergency Communication Advisory Committee Representative - Pacific Division].

Detroit Marathon Supported By 60 Operators

The Detroit Free Press/Talmer Bank Marathon <http://www.freepmarathon.com/>, held in Detroit, Michigan on October 16, 2011, was supported by 60 radio amateurs from two countries. The communications effort was organized by the Wayne County Amateur Radio Public Service Corp <http://www.wa8eoc.org/about.html>, which has supported the event for nearly its entire history. This event is used as part of Wayne County ARPSC's ongoing training regimen.

Wayne County ARPSC coordinated ARES members from Wayne, Oakland, Macomb and Monroe counties and partnered with Windsor, Ontario, Canada hams, from their Amateur Radio Community Service (ARCS), to support the world's only marathon that includes a certified underwater mile. The course features two water crossings, one across the Ambassador Bridge and one through the Detroit Windsor Tunnel, with the underwater mile spanning the Detroit River.

Amateur Radio provided health and welfare communications support to more than 20,000 Marathon participants as well as more than 2,000 volunteers. The event employed multiple controlled nets that relayed priority medical traffic, course logistical traffic, and security coordination as well as spectator assistance. The end result helped facilitate a world class event that included two international border crossings that would not have been possible without partnership between ARES and the ARCS ham operators from the US and Canada. -- Doug Scoda, KD8PKI, Westland, Michigan

==> WISCONSIN ARES/RACES CONFERENCE: MUTUAL AID THEME

"Mutual Aid: Being There for Each Other" served as the theme of the 2011 Wisconsin ARES/RACES Conference held in Wisconsin Rapids on October 22, with 79 present. ARRL Section Emergency Coordinator Gary Sorensen, W9ULK, served as facilitator of the conference. Former SEC Bill Niemuth, KB9ENO, reported on an organization that is building a statewide linked repeater system, while Section Manager Don Michalski, W9IXG, presented the DEC of the Year award to Ed Jacobsen, KB9KJE, immediate past DEC for the Northwest District. Howard Fischer, KC9IVJ, Juneau County EC, won the EC of the Year award.

Stan Kaplan, WB9RQR, updated the group on the Wisconsin ARES/RACES Winlink Net, and on the free computer distribution program he runs. [Kaplan has distributed 600 computers to various ARES/RACES groups over the past 17 years.] Sauk County EC Drew Smith, KC9LJK, gave a talk on using social media in the ARES/RACES program, and Steve Sell, former Administrator of Wisconsin Emergency Management talked on "We Need YOU" - how important ARES/RACES is to the Emergency Management Program in the state.

Wisconsin Northeast DEC Dave Levorson, N9KNY, ran a session with input from attendees on "How Our Involvement in Emergency Response Has Changed Since 9/11 - YOUR Stories." Winnebago County EC Kyle Schaefer, KC9SDK, gave a presentation on how to approach "Taking Ham Radio into Your School" on working with primary and secondary school teachers and students to integrate ham radio into science programs.

Wisconsin Chief RACES Radio Officer Skip Sharpe, W9REL, spoke on why we must integrate ICS into ARES/RACES in order to become a credentialed part of the incident response team. Dan Lenz, KB9IME, Assistant SEC for Training talked about mutual aid and also conducted a review of the recent statewide SET (Simulated Emergency Test).

The Wisconsin ARES/RACES <http://www.wi-aresraces.org/> Web site has been revitalized through the efforts of a committee headed by Assistant SEC for Marketing and Recruiting Kathy Schramm, KB9UAZ, and Webmaster Richard Engel, K9RWE. Check out the Twitter Feeds shown on the home page for ARES/RACES and also from Ready Wisconsin, Wisconsin Emergency Management. Immediate alerting and messaging to the membership is possible by following the Twitter Feed and arranging for it to forward messages to a cell phone. -- reported by Stan Kaplan, WB9RQR and submitted with notes added by Gary Sorensen, W9ULK, SEC, Wisconsin ARES/RACES

==> ARES YOUTH CORPS COORDINATOR APPOINTED IN OHIO

The ARES Tenth District Youth Corps of Ohio is a team of volunteers with the mission to educate young people about not only ham radio but specifically ARES. Kevin Baxter KD8OPX, of Middlefield, Ohio, has been appointed to the post of ARES Tenth District Youth Corps Coordinator. Baxter is an active senior at Cardinal High School in Middlefield.

Matt Welch, W8DEC, District Emergency Coordinator for the ARES Tenth District, says "Kevin is a motivated individual with an evident passion for the hobby. Since passing the Technician class license in August 2010, he volunteers for many public service events throughout the year. Most recently, he helped WEBELOS Scouts from Cub Scout Pack 197 in Burton, Ohio operate the W8TEN station for Jamboree on the Air (JOTA)."

Baxter is a trained SKYWARN Spotter, and a member of the Warren Amateur Radio Association (WARA) and Lake Erie Amateur Radio Association (LEARA). - Matt Welch, W8DEC <http://www.qrz.com/db/w8dec>, District Emergency Coordinator, ARES Tenth District <http://www.ohioares10.org/>, Ohio Section,

==> PRIORITY USE OF CENTER OF ACTIVITY FREQUENCIES FOR ACTUAL EMCOMMS

Last month's issue included an item on the IARU Center of Activity Frequencies. It should be emphasized that any frequency on which ongoing emergency communications is underway needs to be protected.

In the course of the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) consideration of the emergency Center of Activity Frequencies, members in 2008 noted that priority use of the frequencies is limited to times when there is an actual emergency in progress, and that they are available for regular amateur use at all other times. In 2009, the IARU Administrative Council when noting that all three regions have agreed on the Center of Activity Frequencies in the 15, 17 and 20 meter bands, namely, 21.360 MHz, 18.160 MHz and 14.300 MHz, also noted the GAREC09 <http://www.iaru-r3.org/garec-2009/> Statement, while making no specific reference to the emergency Center of Activity Frequencies, called upon IARU member-societies, among others, "whenever emergency communications are being conducted on frequencies that propagate internationally, to use any available real-time communications channels, including but not limited to e-mail bulletins, web-sites, social networking and DX-clusters to draw the attention of the largest possible number of Amateur Radio operators to on-going emergency communications, in order to avoid interference with emergency traffic."

In short, amateurs should protect any frequency when it's actively being used for emergency communications. Otherwise the same standard applies to the Center of Activity frequencies as to any other amateur frequency: as stated in 97.101(b), "Each station licensee and each control operator must cooperate in selecting transmitting channels and in making the most effective use of the amateur service frequencies. No frequency will be assigned for the exclusive use of any station."

==> PLAN NOW TO ATTEND NATIONAL HURRICANE CONFERENCE IN MARCH

The 2012 National Hurricane Conference, "the nation's forum for education and professional training in hurricane and disaster preparedness," will be held March 26-29 at the Hilton Orlando, Florida. A robust Amateur Radio presence and forums are always on tap.

The primary goal of the National Hurricane Conference is to improve hurricane preparedness, response, recovery and mitigation in order to

save lives and property in the United States and the tropical islands of the Caribbean and Pacific. In addition, the conference serves as a national forum for federal, state and local officials to exchange ideas and recommend new policies to improve Emergency Management.
To accomplish these goals, the annual conference emphasizes:

* Lessons Learned from Hurricane Strikes.

* State of the art programs worthy of emulation.

* New ideas being tested or considered.

* Information about new or ongoing assistance programs.

* The ABC's of hurricane preparedness, response, recovery and mitigation -- in recognition of the fact that there is a continual turnover of emergency management leadership and staff.

More details are to come on specific Amateur Radio forums planned for the Conference. The ARRL is a Participating Organization.

==> LETTERS: MORE NEW TECHNOLOGY IN MINNESOTA

We deployed three new pieces of technology at the Medtronic Twin Cities Marathon
<https://www.tcmevents.org/events/medtronic_twin_cities_marathon_weekend/>
held last month. We are already using Apple ® iPad ® tablets for medical tent patient checks linked to our Amateur Radio tracking system. We deployed an IP phone system between our hospital tent and the family medical information tent. We set up a pair of Ubiquiti ® 5 GHz commercial grade WiFi link radios on a 1.4 mile non-line-of-sight path to one of the area EOCs from our data trailer. And finally, we ran three ICOM D-STAR ID-1 radios at the same time in our data trailer to three different area repeaters. This marks our fifth year of 100% reliable D-STAR performance in real world public service medical communications applications. -- Erik Westgard, NY9D
<ewestgard@att.net>, Director, Volunteer Medical Communications, Medtronic Twins Cities Marathon

==> LETTERS: FEMA CLASSES

I manage a large EMA organization. Most of our volunteers do not understand what constitutes "Emergency Management." As a result, we require IS-230 -- Fundamentals of Emergency Management
<http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/IS/is230b.asp>for any certification level in all of our specialties. I recommend adding this course to your list so ARES operators will more fully understand the environment in which they work.

For an Amateur Radio operator who wants to do more than "hold a mic," I would also suggest trying to get into a COML III
<http://www.npstc.org/commUnitLeader.jsp> class, which requires IS-300. Keep up the good work. -- Garth Kennedy, W9KJ, Naperville, Illinois EMA

==> RECOMMENDED TRAINING COURSES FOR ARES MEMBERS

♦ ARRL Introduction to Emergency Communication-
<http://www.arrl.org/online-course-catalog>Course #: EC-001. This is a
revision of the former Emergency Communications Basic/Level 1 course.
This on-line course is designed to provide basic knowledge and tools
for any emergency communications volunteer. Prerequisites: ICS-100
(IS-100.b <http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/IS/IS100b.asp>)
(Introduction to the Incident Command System); and IS -700
<http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/IS/IS700a.asp> (National Incident
Management System). Also recommended, but not required, are: IS-250
<http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/IS/is250.asp>, Emergency Support
Function 15 (ESF15), External Affairs; and IS-288
<http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/IS/is288.asp>, The Role of Voluntary
Agencies in Emergency Management. The course covers: The Framework: How
You Fit In; The Networks for Messages; Message Handling; What Happens
When Called; Operations & Logistics; Safety & Survival; and What to
Expect in Large Disasters.

♦ Red Cross or AHA combined course in Adult CPR/First Aid/AED Basics
<http://www.redcross.org/portal/site/en/menuitem.d8aaecf214c576bf971e4cfe43181aa0/?vgnextoid=aea70c45f663b11
0VgnVCM10000089f0870aRCRD&vgnextfmt=default>

♦ FEMA IS-100 (Introduction to Incident Command System)
<http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/IS/IS100b.asp>

♦ FEMA IS-700 (National Incident Management System)
<http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/IS/IS700a.asp>

==> ARRL MICHIGAN SECTION COMBINES PROGRAMS FOR SYNERGY

Michigan's Amateur Radio Public Service Corps (ARPSC) encompasses the
Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES), the Radio Amateur Civil
Emergency Service (RACES) and SKYWARN, the service provided in
cooperation with the National Weather Service. ARES is activated for
mostly any event where a communications need exists within the
framework of the FCC rules. RACES is activated for an incident that the
government sees a need for additional communications support.
Generally, the Governor of a state or their duly appointed
representative makes the call. It is a program administered by FEMA.
SKYWARN is administered by the National Weather Service, of course.
There are four National Weather Service sites in Michigan --
Detroit/White Lake <http://www.crh.noaa.gov/dtx/>, Grand Rapids
<http://www.crh.noaa.gov/grr/>, Gaylord <http://www.crh.noaa.gov/apx/>
and Marquette <http://www.crh.noaa.gov/mqt/>.

Michigan was one of the first if not the first state in the United
States to recognize the need for Amateur Radio operators to be
cross-trained in both ARES and RACES protocols. This aids the process
of assistance provided in the sense that cross-trained individuals who
start out activated as an ARES operator can just change hats and
continue operations wearing the RACES hat as the situation evolves.
This has worked very well, and is due in no small part to several

individuals in the Eighth Region (Ohio and Michigan, in particular) and most especially to George Race, WB8BGY, former SEC, Section Manager and Great Lakes Division Director, as well as others.

The Michigan program's mission statement: "Develop the Michigan ARPSC Program in to a fully integrated communications team ready, willing and able to provide radio communications support to Public Service Agencies and the citizens of Michigan." - Michigan ARES <http://www.ares-mi.org/>, Dale Williams, WA8EFK, Section Manager

==> K1CE FOR A FINAL

It's Thanksgiving time, and in keeping with the theme of giving thanks, I am reproducing the open letter of thanks from New York City-Long Island Section Manager Mike Lisenco, N2YBB, to his ARES team and others in the aftermath of storm Irene. His letter is a gem -- sincere and heartfelt -- and I thought it deserved a wider audience. Enjoy!

"I hope that you are recovering from Hurricane Irene and that this finds you, your families, your property and your friends in good shape. Obviously and luckily, most of the Section weathered the storm without much damage.

"It's been ten years since Amateur Radio in New York City-Long Island has been asked to provide communications support for a wide-scale event. Yes, there have been minor activations of ARES during that time, but nothing on the magnitude of Irene. Over the years we in the amateur community have seen how hams around the world consistently provide help to their communities. And while Irene, thankfully, did not do the damage locally that we anticipated, we still were asked to support our community by providing assistance where and when needed.

"It's very hard maintaining interest in staying involved in local ARES, SKYWARN, and club groups participating in emergency communications when nothing is going on. Complacency sets in over time. And, understandably, how many "athons" can you participate in before you've had enough. In spite of this, when something does happen that warrants our participation, hams pour out of the woodwork offering their services.
And the core group of trained hams directs the flow of these volunteers. Irene was no exception to this. We saw the involvement of active ARES/RACES members, SKYWARN spotters, and club volunteers who maintained communications for the American Red Cross and governmental shelter operations, local and county Emergency Operation Centers, local Fire battalions, the National Weather Service, and local informational nets so that club members could stay in touch and bring their friends and neighbors up-to-date with what is happening in their neighborhoods. Generally we participate in these events and, as soon as mainstream communications is restored, pack up and go home. Maybe we get a "thank you," maybe not. But we always go home with our heads held high knowing that we provided a service to our community and once again proved why we are granted our spectrum.

"Having served as an ARES volunteer, DEC, SEC and now SM, I know how important it is to be recognized for the work we do. To that end, I want to issue a very public THANK YOU to those in the New York City-Long Island Section who offered their services and participated in the effort."

[For a list of the individual operators, clubs and teams that Mike compiled, click here <http://nli.arrl.org/>]. See you next month! -- 73, Rick, K1CE, Flagler County, Florida

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1103. Re: Gender Identity Crisis

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Date: 2011-11-16 10:04:41 UTC
From: Roger <RLW@anon>
Message-ID: <55snco.940.17.1@news.alt.net>
Source record: 3943
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner.flame_fest,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.cb

"kb9rqz" <mark@kb9rqz.com> wrote in message
news:b71ace34-240b-4046-aa97-c6cda180557f@y42g2000yqh.googlegroups.com...
On Oct 23, 12:54 pm, kb9rqz <m...@kb9rqz.com> wrote:
> On Oct 23, 12:26 am, "Anon" <anon@anon> wrote:
>
> > Mark suffers from a severe gender identity crisis.
> > One day he is "straight", the next day he is bisexual, and the next day
> > he
> > can't decide.
>
> wrong

Simple. Mark is a gay corksoaker...
No question.

1104. Re: get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-16 18:54:23 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <299ad610-1b65-4f8e-ae11-c1ac19cc9ac1@n14g2000vbn.googlegroups.com>
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On Nov 14, 3:07 pm, kb9rqz <m...@kb9rqz.com> wrote:
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Please... If you are only submitting text and not audio, write your story as
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url's.

WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING NOVEMBER 20 2011.

WIA Directors VK4ERM, VK4TI Join us

ACMA acts against unlicensed hobbyists

Thousands contact VK100ARV

THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING NOVEMBER 20 2011.

ACMA acts against unlicensed hobbyists

The recent issuing of warning notices and confiscations in four states by
the Australian Communications and Media Authority (ACMA) shows it's
serious about infringements by hobby communicators.

Under the Radiocommunications Act, six individuals were given a warning
for their unlicensed operation and two additional warnings of possession
of modified amateur radio equipment.

The ACMA said all were operating on HF frequencies they were not licensed
to use, or allocated to the Amateur Service.

A range of non-compliant equipment has been surrendered to the ACMA.

A 70 Watt CB radio in Victoria, a 40 Watt CB radio and 400 Watt linear amplifier in South Australia, a modified Kenwood ham band transceiver from Tasmania, 70 watt CB radio and 600 watt linear amplifier in New South Wales.

The ACMA said operating non-compliant or modified radio communications equipment on frequency bands contrary to that specified by a licence condition, had the potential to cause serious interference to radio communications services.

While the ACMA prefers to educate those who operate outside their licence conditions, it will suspend or cancel licences, issue infringement notices, or commence prosecutions for more serious offences.

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

Big jump in digital radio sales

Despite one of the weakest retail markets for many years, sales of digital radios recorded their biggest quarterly jump since Christmas 2010.

Official data relating to digital radio in Australia was released by Commercial Radio Australia (CRA) this week, showing close to 100,000 DAB+ digital radios were sold in Q3 2011 alone, according to the GfK Marketscope report, bringing the total number of DAB+ digital radios sold since August 2009 to 603,932.

(cra)

Already many thousands of contacts logged by VK100ARV

Terry Murphy VK3UP and Tony Hambling VK3VTH made 643 contacts over three days. And Terry will sign VK100ARV this weekend from the Brisbane National Park.

Luke Steele VK3HJ will have three turns on the roster. Take last Sunday for example, he worked 457 contacts in 30 DX entities. Some DX stations had double bonus point on that shift. Three had qualified for the Century Award.

Keith Proctor VK3FT also a DXer has been quietly working away. Peter Freeman VK3PF and Joe Walsh VK3XN are both to make plenty of contacts.

A highlight each Monday is VK100ARV through the VK3RML repeater and on the 20m band by the SSTV gang.

Next weekend the Sunraysia Radio Group. We're expect lots of action. The roster can be read at www.amateurradio.com.au

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

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Greetings Trent VK4TI here -

What a month this has been Sunspot activity at a high for the cycle - new record scores in the contests and many new operators experiencing the first taste of great ten metre openings.

After the CQ WW SSB contest came the news that VK4MA had worked over 5000 contest stations in one weekend - a truly remarkable performance - Well done Paul.

On the topic of contests I have been working with the various WIA contest managers to set-up a standard set of governing rules for WIA contests and this is almost complete - while the individual contests will all have their own character; terminology will be aligned -

I have also been fortunate to be involved in some of the local area operators ideas for ways to improve the WIA and this weekend will see me in Gympie in discussions with the team from the old gold mining town -

Next weekend I will be pounding the keyboard in the CQWW CW contest and look forward to hearing many stations on the bands -

73 to all - this is Trent VK4TI back over to the news desk

The Summertime of Amateur Radio

Greetings from the WIA, this is Ewan VK4ERM, considering the Summertime of Amateur Radio.

With the warmer months upon us and the WIA VHF UHF Field Day so close, many of us will be taking the opportunity to escape into the solitude of the bush to enjoy portable operation in locations away from manmade noise and interference. While there we may well enjoy the company of family, friends, wildlife, on air contacts and FIRE!

Did I say fire?

Unfortunately, I am not referring to the well prepared campfire where people stare into the dancing flames and glowing embers solving the problems of the world but those uninvited fires that can arrive with terrifying rage and devastating effect.

Equally it can be your campfire blazing beyond practical need spiralling embers downwind to trigger spot fires in your area. Sadly, raging bush fires have caused human tragedy and property loss in most parts of Australia for hundreds of years. Many of us are experienced in assessing operating and camp sites for fire and other hazards but we cannot always assume that those with us understand the requirements nor our mental planning so it is very much the responsibility of the experienced person, whoever that may be, to ensure fire safety in the field is understood and applied by all present.

Just as we have load lists for our radio gear and tools, our camp and feeding needs so to should we have a load list and plan for fire prevention and management around our site.

Here I do not intend, nor do I have time, to cover all aspects of fire prevention and management but simply to prompt your thoughts and action on

what you should attend to in your circumstances before heading out bush and when you get there.

Perhaps the first thing for your consideration is the weather forecast for the region you intend to go to and that comes down to risk assessment. If there is a high fire danger and hot dry winds forecast is it really worthwhile taking the risk of going?

Is there an alternate route out of the site you have chosen should it need to be taken to escape any fire threat?

Do other people, family or friends, know exactly where you will be and when you are expected to return? Just make sure you go to where you say you will and don't wander off elsewhere and return when you say you will if you are unable to notify them otherwise.

At your campsite have you established a fire point with extinguisher, beater, metal rake and sprayer? Seems a lot but gold when you need them.

Have you briefed everyone on where it is and assigned tasks to each of them in the event of a campsite fire or approaching fire?

Is your generator and fuel sited downhill from the rest of the camp? Does everyone who needs to know understand how to refuel and conduct generator checks?

How do you know?

Are all vehicles facing the exit route? It may seem trivial but if a major blaze is about to engulf you then every split second counts.

A wealth of further information is available from government internet sites in all states of Australia. I encourage you to gather the information and develop your fire prevention and management plans for your Summertime of Amateur Radio in the great Australian bush.

This has been Ewan VK4ERM for the WIA Board.

The summer edition of Amateur Radio magazine

Has the Club Grant Scheme run its course? That is the question posed by WIA President Michael Owen VK3KI. He traces the efforts made to support the clubs. The 2011 Grant Committee report is disappointing. Michael VK3KI explains in detail and well worth a read.

The WIA Historian Peter Wolfenden VK3RV talks about the Centenary last year and from the Centenary Convention is Justin Giles-Clark VK7TW on modern communications technologies and techniques.

Reports include the "Science Alive" display by the Elizabeth Amateur Radio Club from Paul Schulz VK5FPAW, Darcy Hancock VK5RJ an old-timer sits with his new Kenwood TS-590, and Morse code is revisited by Foundation Corner by Ross Pittard VK3CE.

More on the December issue of Amateur Radio magazine next week. A service to WIA members and available at selected news stands.

I'm Barry Robinson VK3PV and you are listening to VK1WIA

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news
Email Address : r_demkiw@yahoo.com.au

TRASH & TREAURE.

The next and final Trash & Treasure for the year will be held on Sunday the 27th of November. The usual venue - 63 Quarry Road Dural - from 9.30 am. Major items available are posted on the ARNSW website - Disposal equipment - at www.arnsw.org.au New material has been added recently

The BBQ will be available for brunch / late breakfast or lunch.

In the afternoon there will be the regular Home Brew and Experimenters Group lecture.

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/
Police Roundup http://www.vicpolicenews.com.au/

Victorian National Parks are on air

Declared National Parks are on air this weekend under the Keith Roget Memorial National Parks Award and part of the Amateur Radio Victoria Centenary.

They include the Brisbane Ranges, Heathcote-Graytown, Chiltern-Mt. Pilot, Barmah, Dandenong Ranges, Greater Bendigo, Baw Baw, Warby-Ovens and up to three in the southwest of the state.

At two of the National Parks expect to hear the special callsign VK100ARV.

A regular participant is Peter Fraser VK3ZPF. He has also indicated activating Mount Buffalo, and Burrowa-Pine Mountain, on Monday and Tuesday respectively.

A full list is posted on the website www.amateurradio.com.au

VK4 - QNEWS
Send your stories for news. SCRIPT to qnews@wia.org.au
send audio to http://www.wia.org.au/members/broadcast/upload/

get local audio news www.wiaq.com/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
get local news emailed qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

Welcome to QNews from VK4WIA. I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP, and I've been thinking.

One of those areas which has a certain mystique in our hobby is "home brew". Whether we are tinkerers of full blown constructors, amateur radio has evolved as a sharing hobby where what is learned is proudly shared with one's

colleagues.

With the development of the w-w-w, sharing projects and experiments has taken a whole new direction for many amateurs. A notable example of this phenomenon is the story of Frank, K0IYE. I MENTIONED THIS LAST JUNE HERE ON QNEWS...

I have often followed links to Frank's book "Crystal
Sets to Sideband" which is a free internet book and it was with pleasure that I read Frank's story in last May's, issue of World Radio Online.

http://www.worldradiomagazine.com/

There is a further article in THAT issue showing the construction of one of Frank's projects. Anyone familiar with Drew Diamond's use of
"ugly construction" will feel at home with the use of the "Manhattan" technique used in this audio amplifier.

Even in this age of the ready-made, for the hobbyist there is a place for rolling one's own. Part of this is the self-imposed challenge of succeeding at something different and part of it is using equipment you have made. Another part is being able to share what we have picked up along the way with other amateurs. For his efforts in explaining, developing and sharing his journey, a big thank you to Frank, K0IYE.

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think.....how about you?

CLUBBING

Submitting news items

If you would like to submit news items for inclusion in QNEWS broadcasts please email your item in text to qnews@wia.org.au

Submit audio, read "how to submit items" on the weekly WIA news page.
http://www.wia.org.au/members/broadcast/upload/

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being broadcast in the very next edition of QNEWS.

Redcliffe and District Radio Club
www.redclifferadioclub.org.au/

I'm Ray, VK4CF with news from Redcliffe & Districts Radio club.

Due to work commitments and some technical difficulties over the last 2 months it's good to be back with news for the Redcliffe Club.

The club conducts technical talks on the 3rd Monday night of every month and for the programme rest of the year as follows:-

November, Peter VK4TAA Repairing and Programming Older Radios (Philips etc);
Dec John VK4CJC Calibrating SWR and Power meters and Jan Scot VK4CZ 6m DX.

Club members will be competing in the Spring VHF/UHF Field-day and will be using the club's competition call sign VK4IZ, so give the guys a call during the contest.

And whilst speaking VHF, Charles, VK4BTC, has constructed a 6m 4 element beam which is only awaiting installation on the club's mast and with its rotator should be ready for the contest weekend.

The club's Christmas Social Gathering is to be held at the 4 Mile Creek Hotel, 260 Gympie Road, Strathpine, 3 December 2011 from 11.30 am. All club members and their partners are invited to attend but as per club rules, there is to be no transmitting equipment allowed inside the venue!!

The club will hold is final working bee for the year at 9.00am 10th December 2011. Guttering around the club house is to be either repaired/replaced.
John VK4YJV has already organised the supply of the guttering.
The kitchen bench has to be moved about 50mm to allow a dish washer to be installed.

The next big Fund Raiser for the club is the Bunning Sausage Sizzle for the 27 Dec 2011. Your assistance is required for this. It is appreciated that this is over the Xmas holiday period and some members will be out of town but if you are available to assist for a few hours please advise the secretary, Roger, VK4ZLQ or via the club's website secretary@redclifferadioclub.org.au if you are available.

The news ends on a sad note with the passing of young Daniel Coombes, son of one of our club members who died unexpectedly in his sleep, last Monday. Daniel's funeral was held at the chapel at Marist College, Ashgrove, yesterday. To you John and your family, all club members are deeply saddened with your loss.

So now it's 73 until next time from Ray, VK4CF, from the Redcliffe club.

G'day again from the Atherton Tablelands this is Dale VK4DMC for the Tablelands Radio and Electronics Club, TREC, in Far North Queensland.

TREC members are planning for the VHF/UHF Spring Field Day contest to be held on the 26/27th November. We will be operating from Hallorans Hill which is located only 1.5 kilometres from the centre of Atherton.

Grid locator is QH22rr.

This contest is always lots of fun and allows operators to see just how far they can work on the higher bands.

Frequencies to be used by TREC will be 6M, 2M, 70cm, 23cm and 3cm.

Some club members will also be operating from other locations around the Atherton Tablelands during the contest.

VK7
vk7 local news, email vk7regionalnews-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/vk7regionalnews/

North West Tasmanian ATV Group (NWTATVG)

http://www.vk7ax.id.au/atvgroup/

The Next General Meeting of the Club is scheduled for Saturday 3rd. December at the home of Bob VK7MGW and Ursula VK7FROO, Malonga Drive, Burnie.

At the last meeting It was resolved to not have a formal Christmas Dinner this year, but to have a BBQ luncheon/evening at the conclusion of next general meeting.

Bob informs he has all the BBQ facilities in top shape and that both Ursula and himself are looking forward to being hosts for members and friends.

All welcome.

Radio and Electronics Association of Southern Tasmania Inc.
http://reast.asn.au/

Christmas Car Boot Sale and end of year festive day:

Sunday December 4 immediately after the broadcast, REAST will be holding an end of year get together that will combine a car boot sale and an end of year BBQ as well as other delicious foods. A giant Xmas hamper will also be up for grabs.

Put this date in your diary as it is bound to be a great day for members and friends of the club.

EDUCATION YOUTH AND ADVANCEMENT OF AMATEUR RADIO
www.hamcollege.com.au

Amateur Radio Assessments and training

Persons in the N/West Area of VK7 interested in Training and Assessments for all classes of Amateur Radio Licenses are advised that the North West Tasmanian ATV Group can provide these requirements and much more.

Maybe someone wishes to upgrade. Well the club has the appropriately trained personnel with Facilitators from the Radio and Electronics School who can attend to all requirements should candidates so desire.

For more information, please contact the Club's Learning Organizer Tony VK7AX, or the Club.

Contact details can be found on the Club Web Site or http://www.wia.org.au under VK7 Clubs.,

DISCUSSION POINT

What use is an f-call?

Recently I got to thinking about this hobby of Amateur Radio.

It's not like any other hobbies I've had in the past.

It's different in so many ways that it took me a little by surprise.

When I played with lego, electric trains or on my home computer in my teens, I was a hobbyist. I spent time, effort and money on my hobbies. When I came across another enthusiast, I exchanged ideas and findings and carried on with

what I'd learned. Sometimes we combined efforts and I recall making a huge railway yard in the attic with about six friends, each of our tracks hand-marked to prevent inadvertent ownership transfer.

With the age of the Internet, you'd expect that you'd see an evolution beyond that. You'd see people getting together in communities and sharing their hobby.

While this does happen, much more than when I was a teenager, there are hundreds of places for each hobby, most of them insular and self-contained, region specific, language specific, what ever.

Amateur Radio is different.

We have a scarce resource that is shared around the globe, our radio bands. When I first turned on my radio I recall thinking that these bands were huge, infinite, there was just so much to choose from, how would I ever find anyone?

Turns out, running your finger over your VFO, or programming your radio to do it for you, gives you a great sense of what's happening where and when. It turns out that as you start using the bands, you realise that these huge bands are not infinite at all. During some parts of the day, some of these bands are not helpful in getting radio signals out across the countryside. Turns out that people become grouped together in smaller bands at different times of the day. The side effect of this is that all the people with this hobby are all in the same place at the same time. More or less anyway.

You get my point, we're all talking together in the same place, all of us, so we have a built-in system to make us participate with each other in the same place. Of course it helps that a large part of Amateur Radio is to do with communication, so not only do we congregate, we also talk.

Other aspects of this hobby that took me by surprise are that it's more encompassing than other hobbies. Amateur Radio is about communication and all that this embodies. It's about learning skills, it's about socialising, it's about building and testing, it's about competitions, about professionalism, it's unlike any other hobby I've participated in.

Amateur Radio, what a hobby. Tell your friends.
I'm Onno, vk6flab

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART and the WW sources of the WIA.

Czech Republic

There is some good and some bad news coming out of the Czech Republic.

The use of the band 70.1-70.3MHz will be extended throughout 2012 but, unfortunately, the 5MHz experiments will come to an end by the end of 2011.

RONNIE MILSAP WB4KCG AND HIS TRIO TO PERFORM HOLIDAY SHOW IN SOCAL.

If you are listening in or near Southern California and have no plans the evening of December 9th, you might consider a trip to the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts. That's where country music legend Ronnie Milsap,

WB4KCG, and his trio will be performing their Holiday Show.

One of the most popular dinner speakers ever at the Dayton Hamvention, WB4KCG has been honored for his contributions to the art of country music by the Country Music Association, the Academy of Country Music and Billboard Magazine.

More about WB4KCG is at his website at www dot ronniemilsap.com

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2011

Nov 26-27 WIA Spring VHF-UHF Field Day

2012

January VK Ross Hull Memorial VHF UHF Contest

March 17-18 VK JOHN MOYLE MEMORIAL FIELD DAY

June Long Weekend (vk4 time) VK Shires Contest.

July First full weekend NZART Memorial Contest

August VK Remembrance Day Contest

August 18-19 WW International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend.

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

Old QSL Collection

Jean Michel, F6AJA, wants to remind everyone to visit the Les Nouvelles DX (LNDX) Web page to see more than 9500 old amateur radio QSL cards in several different albums/galleries.

The website can be viewed on http://LesNouvellesDX.free.fr

CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF STEVE JOBBS

On the air, keep an ear open for "Team HB9ON Radio Group" in Switzerland which is celebrating the life of Apple Computer founder Steve Jobs.

This by activating the special call HB9STEVE throughout November.

Commemoration operations will occur sporadically and will be mostly on CW, but with some SSB. QSL via Logbook of the World, GLOBALQSL or direct to HB9DHG.

See details on QRZ.com

INTRUDER WATCH - ENFORCEMENT ZONE

Region III IARUMS Coordinator Peter Young VK3MV

VK IARUMS reflector email to subscribe intruders@wia.org.au

INTRUDER NETS
Friday 0730 UTC 7.065.5 with VK4CEU David.

Amateur exclusive frequencies where any non-amateur signal is definitely an intruder.

Amateur HF Spectrum world wide
7.050 to 7.100
14.000 to 14.250
14.250 to 14.350 No broadcasters
21.000 to 21.450
24.890 to 24.990
28.000 to 29.700

Intruder Watch reports taxis on 28MHz

Following the flood of low power FM transmissions across the 28MHz amateur band, the RSGB Intruder Watch has provided the Ofcom Monitoring Station at Baldock with a number of recordings.

It has been confirmed that these transmissions are from taxi operators and this will form the basis of a complaint by Baldock to the Russian authorities. The timing of this complaint is fortunate as Uli Bihlmayer, DJ9KR, the Joint Coordinator of the IARU Monitoring System, has recently had a reply to a written complaint that he made directly to the Russian authorities. They have agreed to monitor the 28-29.7MHz band with the intention of stopping transmissions from CB and taxi operators. It remains to be seen how this works in practice but there is now a real possibility that this problem is going to be tackled at source.

(rsgb)

THE QNEWS WORK BENCH - the nuts and volts report - Measure Twice cut Once.

Extra Long Electrical Arcs

IRTS report researchers at the University of Canterbury, New Zealand, have developed a new, lower-voltage method of generating extra-long, lightning-like electrical arcs.

The arcs are created when an electrical impulse is applied to a thin copper wire that subsequently explodes!

By jump-starting the arcs using exploding wires, as opposed to the traditional method of directly breaking down air, the researchers reduced the amount of voltage needed to create an arc of a given length by more than 95 percent.

MEDIA WATCH
www.cq-amateur-radio.com/WorldRadio.html
VK Club Bulletins http://groups.yahoo.com/group/aarnie/

40M Rebroadcast in VK7 on the Move

In VK7 for at least the last 40 years there has been a 7.090MHz broadcast each Sunday morning.

Since 2004 this broadcast has only been the local VK7 Regional News broadcast from 0930.

Following feedback and discussion with our 40m rebroadcasters here in VK7 we have decided to broadcast both the WIA National News and VK7 Regional News each week from the 20 November 2011 starting at 0900.

This will also coincide with a move to the preferred 40m segment from the WIA Band Plan.

We have looked at the band plan and what 40m frequencies the other states broadcast on and have come to the conclusion that 7.140MHz is the safest option as the only other state to use this is VK6 and the time zone is very different.

So, from today - 20 November 2011 the 40m VK7 broadcast will begin at 0900 and feature both the WIA National News and then at 0930 the VK7 Regional News broadcasts on 7.140MHz.

Feedback is always welcome.

Justin, VK7TW VK7 Regional News and Broadcast Coordinator

VU2UR in The Hindu

The Hindu newspaper reports on radio amateur B.L. Manohar VU2UR who has been licensed since 1967.

The paper says "when all cellphone towers have fallen down, landlines broken, satellite dishes damaged, as often happens during an earthquake or tsunami, amateur radio operators are the only ones who can provide emergency communications. This fact is very often forgotten."

Read the story at

http://www.thehindu.com/life-and-style/money-and-careers/article2611920.ece

(SOUTHGATE)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- IOTA
http://rsgbiota.org

Islands on the Air Award enthusiasts have the opportunity to work a new one until Nov 25 as 7Z7AA comes up from Jabal Al Lith Island in the Red Sea. IOTA Reference Number is AS-191 and QSL info is via 7Z1CQ.

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WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ILLW

Only nine months left before ILLW

With 80 registrations for next year's International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend some 15 countries are committed to this 48-hour fun event.

Australia remains in the lead on 27, followed by Germany and the USA both with 11. Others include Argentina, Denmark, England, France, Honduras, Italy, Netherlands, New Zealand, Poland, Scotland, Sweden and Wales.

The event began in 1998 and has steadily gained in popularity. In August this year it had a record 470 entrants, including 19 lightships, in 55 countries.

To find out more about the 15th International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend of August the 18th and 19th 2012, check out the guidelines, make a registration, or look at what is on offer then visit the website www.illw.net

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RESCUE RADIO
IARU REGION 3
Emergency Centre of Activity (CoA) frequencies
3.600, 7.110, 14.300, 18.160 and 21.360 MHz

MARITIME MOBILE NET IN CREW RESCUE

The South African Maritime net assisted in the rescue of the crew of the sailing vessel "Wizard" which belonged to Gerry Boshoff, ZS6SUN . The yacht struck a submersed container.

Gerry had maintained regular contact with the SA Maritime Net which enabled Graham Griggs, ZS2ABK, to supply the maritime authorities with much needed information. The crew was saved and taken aboard a tanker which had been diverted to the spot where the sailing vessel sank.

Mark Steed, the MRCC Duty Controller passed on a note of thanks from the father of one of the crew. He told Graham "from the MRCC side we thank you for your invaluable assistance in making this rescue a success. It is a sterling service you provide and our relationship is much valued and appreciated by MRCC",

(sarl)

Italian and Turkish HF emergency operations complete

The IARU Region 1 website reports that the use of HF for relief operation in Italy and Turkey has finished.

The use of HF frequencies by RNRE in Italy for the flooding in the North West of their country and TRAC for the Earthquake in Van province of Turkey has finished. There is no further need to take care when operating around 3.643, 3.760MHz, 7.045-7.060 and 7.092-7.095 MHz.

Thanks to all amateurs who kept the frequencies clear for emergency traffic.

Ragguppamento Nazionale Radiocomunicazioni Emergenza (RNRE) in Google English
http://tinyurl.com/ItalyRNRE

IARU Region 1
http://www.iaru-r1.org/

SOCIAL SCENE

2011

Nov 20 VK5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society Hamfest
Goodwood Community Centre, Rosa St Goodwood at 0930.

Visit www.ahars.com.au for contact details

Dec 4 VK7 REAST Christmas Car Boot Sale and end of year festive day:

2012

15TH IARU REGION 3 CONFERENCE hosted by V.A.R.C. in Ho-Chi-Minh City, Vietnam.

JAN 23-FEB 17 YEAR 2012
World Radio Conference WRC-11 Geneva 23rd January TO 17th February 2012

FEB 12 VK3 CentreVictoria Hamfest, Kyneton Racecourse

FEB 26 VK2 CCARC WYONG FIELD DAY

APR 14-15 VK WIA National Field Day.

MAY 3-18 VK5 YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

MAY 25-27 VK3 WIA Annual Conference Mildura

JULY 14 VK4 Wide Bay Hamfest. West Maryborough Scout Hall

Nov 12 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST (ROSEBUD BY THE BAY)

WIA Annual Conference Mildura

May 25th, 26th and 27th 2012

Details for the WIA 2012 Annual Conference being held in Mildura are on
wia.org.au

Host club is Sunraysia Radio Group, led by Garry Briant VK3KYF and
Noel Ferguson VK3FI.

WIA Members who register for the event will be able to participate in a
range of fascinating and memorable activities.

Submitting news items

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1106. ** MMMonVHF Newsletter / No.1 - WEEK 46/2011 **

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-17 09:55:17 UTC
From: MMMonVHF News Mailer <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <201111170951.pAH9p5l0021418@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 3946
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our lastet NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2011-11-17
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter, once a week (thursday)
from now on - if any special activities will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further detail please be so kind and watch our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you vy welcome for any
input and we do hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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** The 144 MHz EME NewsLetter - Current Issue November 2011 **

Since 2003 DF2ZC publishes the 144 MHz EME NewsLetter. This is
a free service for the EME community. Bernd, DF2ZC, informed us
that the latest edition of the EME-Newsletter is now available
at: http://www.df2zc.de/newsletter > EMENL201111 [1.018 KB] 73
SOURCE: tnx to Bernd, DF2ZC to MMMonVHF

** 5C2J & team QSLs **

We inform all that all the QSLs of AF-068 and CNFF-007, received
via direct, will be sent in the next week. Il team 5C2 (AF-068 +
CNFF-007) rispondera' alle QSLs, ricevute via diretta, nella
prossima settimana. SOURCE: Fred & 5C2 team via VHF-Reflector

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: 8P9 ; Square: GK03 ; Start: 2011-11-08 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3785

A DL Team (consists of DL9MS & DL2NUD) will be active holiday
style from 8P9 (GK03) on HF and 6m as well 2m EME...
LATEST NEWS by Zdenek, OK1DFC via MoonNet, dated 2011-11-17:
The TEAM was getting first signals out on 23cm!

NEWS by Dith, DF7KF, dated 2011-11-16: LATEST LOG Updates are on
the homepage of DF7KF look at: http://www.df7kf.de/ As well he
told that today the "spare-RRX" for 23cm shall be delivered...
NEWS by Guido, DL8EBW, dated 2011-11-13: standings 13.11. 09:30z:
2m 149 QSO, 70cm 10 QSO - QSL: 8P9MS to DL9MS - on 2m a few stns
wkd with a boomlenght below 10m WX is vy bad... (from Logger).
SOURCE: N0UK-Logger and tnx to DF7KF & 8P9-TEAM direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
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** V5/DJ4SO from Namibia **

Klaus, DJ4SO will be active again as V5/DJ4SO from Namibia from
17 November to 14 December. He will operate mostly CW, RTTY and
PSK31 with some SSB on 160-6 metres, and will participate in the
CQ WW CW Contest. QSL via DJ4SO, direct or bureau, and LoTW.
Email requests for bureau cards can be sent to klaus[at]dj4so.de
SOURCE: [TNX The Daily DX] via 425 DX News #1071

** C9, MOZAMBIQUE, qrv HF and 50 MHz **

Mike, K9NW, will be active as C91NW from Mozambique between
November 21-29th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW,
SSB, RTTY and possibly 6m. He will also be on during the CQWW
DX CW Contest as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via his home
callsign. SOURCE: [DX-ENG] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1036

** K7UGA - UNITED STATES (Special Event) qrv in 2012 **

The Central Arizona DX Association (CADXA) is very pleased to
announce their special event operation in celebration of the
Arizona Centennial during the week of February 13-19th, 2012.
They will be using the callsign of the late Senior Senator, and
Arizona native son, Barry M. Goldwater K7UGA. Individual CADXA
members will be operating from their home stations located
throughout Arizona during that week using the callsign K7UGA.
However, only special operating locations from Tucson, Prescott
and Phoenix will be on the air celebrating the 100th anniversary
on Tuesday, February 14th, 2012. Operations will be on all amateur
bands (160-2 meters); and will be using CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK31 and
Satellite modes. This CADXA special event operation has proudly
received recognition from the 2012 Arizona Centennial Foundation
as a sanctioned "Special Event"; and from the Arizona Historical
Advisory Commission as an official "Centennial Legacy Project".
All QSL requests go to Bob Davies K7BHM (qrz.com) with an SASE.

For more details, please go to the CADXA Web site at:
http://www.cadxa(dot)org SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1036

** NEWSLETTER-DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF week **

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next WEDNESDAY 2359 UTC ...

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HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats
like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USER who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
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an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

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IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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1107. The ARRL Letter for November 17, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-17 22:40:42 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20111117211116.BE36126C2E@bmail.arrl.org>
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==> + AMATEUR RADIO IN SPACE: NEW SPACE STATION CREW MEMBERS LAUNCH
FROM KAZAKHSTAN

Three new astronauts -- Dan Burbank, KC5ZSX, Anton Shkaplerov and
Anatoly Ivanishin -- are now onboard the International Space Station.
The Soyuz TMA-22 spacecraft carrying the new trio launched from the
Baikonur Cosmodrome in Kazakhstan at 0414 UTC Monday, November 14.
Expedition 29 Commander Mike Fossum, KF5AQG, and flight engineers
Satoshi Furukawa, KE5DAW (JAXA) and Sergei Volkov, RU3DIS (RKA),
welcomed their new crewmates when the hatches opened at 0739 UTC
Wednesday, November 16. Burbank, Shkaplerov and Ivanishin are scheduled
to live and work aboard the ISS until March. Read more here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/new-space-station-crew-members-launch-from-kazakhst
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==> + ON THE AIR: THE 2011 ARRL PHONE SWEEPSTAKES IS THIS WEEKEND!

The ARRL Sweepstakes celebrates its 78th anniversary in 2011 and the SSB weekend is coming up on November 19-21. As the CW weekend earlier this month demonstrated, the recent re-awakening of the sunspot cycle promises a generous dose of competition and fun for operators all across the US and Canada. Technician licensees can make the most of their HF privileges by taking advantage of the great conditions on 10 meters! Even very modest stations can do well on 10 meters, including mobile and portable operations. Start tuning on USB from 28.3 MHz and follow the action. If you've never operated a contest before, an introduction to operating in Sweepstakes has been posted online. You can also can brush up on the basics by viewing the 2011 ARRL November Sweepstakes Operating Guide. Assembled by ARRL Contest Branch Manager Sean Kutzko, KX9X, it is a great compilation of Sweepstakes rules, operating techniques, and log submission guidelines. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/let-s-play-two-the-2011-arrl-phone-sweepstakes-is-right-around-the-corner>.

==> + LOTW PROCESSING TIMES IMPROVING

Logbook of The World (LoTW <http://www.arrl.org/logbook-of-the-world>) is continuing to accept and process logs. As of November 17, the processing delay stands at 52 hours. There are approximately 1.38 million QSOs in 5886 logs waiting to be processed. If you have already uploaded a log, there is no need to upload it again; by doing so, you will only add to the queue. Do not send entire logs that contain previously uploaded QSOs; please use the date range option when signing logs, selecting only those QSOs in a specific date range to upload to LoTW. Following these guidelines will allow LoTW to process the backlog at a faster pace. The ARRL IT staff continues to investigate an anomalous series of events that began on October 29, initially creating the persisting backlog. The IT staff is also working diligently to speed up the LoTW processing time and eliminate the backlog. Thanks again for your patience.

==> + AMATEUR RADIO IN SPACE: ARISSAT-1 MAY DE-ORBIT IN APRIL 2012

According to predictions <http://www.ne.jp/asahi/hamradio/je9pel/arissat5.htm> from Mineo Wakita, JE9PEL, the ARISSat-1 <http://www.amsat.org/amsat-new/index.php> satellite is due to re-enter Earth's atmosphere in early April 2012. Launched from the International Space Station on August 8, the satellite is traveling in a low orbit and is steadily losing altitude. The rate of orbital decay may be accelerated by increasing atmospheric density caused by increased solar activity. With that factor in mind, some ARISSat-1 decay predictions suggest re-entry as early as February 1. ARISSat-1 remains quite active, sending voice messages, digital telemetry and Slow Scan TV images. Amateurs have also been able to enjoy contacts through

ARISSat-1's linear transponder despite the fact that the UHF antenna was apparently damaged prior to (or during) deployment. Last month, AMSAT-NA announced a competition <http://www.arrl.org/news/arissat-1-team-announces-morse-code-contest> to see who can record the last bits of telemetry as ARISSat-1 makes its final plunge. To decode the CW or BPSK telemetry you must use the ARISSATTLM software <http://www.arissat1.org/v3/> for Windows or Mac OS. The CW signal is transmitted at 145.919 MHz and the BPSK signal appears at 145.920 MHz, plus or minus Doppler.

==> + AMATEUR RADIO IN SPACE: APPLY NOW TO HOST A REAL-TIME CONVERSATION WITH CREWMEMBERS ONBOARD THE ISS

NASA is now accepting proposals from US schools, museums, science centers and community youth organizations to host an Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact between July 15, 2012 and January 15, 2013. To maximize these radio contact opportunities, NASA is looking for organizations that will draw large numbers of participants and integrate the contact into a well-developed education plan. Proposals are due January 30, 2012.

Using Amateur Radio, students can ask astronauts questions about life in space and other space-related topics. Students fully engage in the ARISS contact by helping set up an Amateur Radio ground station at the school and then using that station to talk directly with a crewmember on the International Space Station for approximately 10 minutes. ARISS has a network of mentors to help obtain the technology required to host this exciting opportunity for students. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/apply-now-to-host-a-real-time-conversation-with-crewmembers-onboard-the-iss>.

==> + ON THE AIR: BRITISH HAM PLANS PSK31 DXPEDITION TO MYANMAR

The Daily DX <http://www.dailydx.com/> is reporting that Simon Luttrell, HS0ZIB/G6JFY <http://hs0zib.com/>, has been granted an "invitation" from senior officials within the Myanmar Ministry of Post and Telecommunications and the Ministry of Tourism to visit Bagan, Myanmar to operate a four-day PSK31 "micro DXpedition." Myanmar -- formerly known as Burma -- has not been on the Amateur Radio bands since 2004. Although Luttrell does not yet have a formal date for his first operation, his Myanmar contacts want him to "come soon for about five days." Luttrell told The Daily DX that he is hoping to go to Myanmar later this month or in early December, "but must wait for the 'final go-ahead' from Myanmar authorities."

Luttrell's initial activity will be on 20 meters only, running about 50 W into a wire antenna. "This operation is intended to be an initial demonstration station," he told The Daily DX, "and my plans for regular 'low-profile' PSK DXpeditions from different tourist locations within Myanmar have been warmly received. Whilst some may scoff at such a micro station, others will be fully aware that a small station of this type can easily achieve global contacts." He said that he hopes that

this will be the first of many operations from XZ, as he lives just three hours from the Thai/Myanmar border.

==> + AMATEUR RADIO FUN: BE A STAR! ENTER THE SECOND ANNUAL ARRL VIDEO CONTEST

If you've ever wanted a way to show the world how exciting Amateur Radio can be, here's your chance: The ARRL is sponsoring its Second Annual Video Contest <http://www.arrl.org/video-contest>! Here's a chance to put that video camera to use: Shoot a ham radio-related video and send it our way. If your video takes first, second or third place, we'll post it on the ARRL website for everyone to see. We're looking for a few good videos (but only one per ARRL member, please) on any tasteful subject relating to Amateur Radio. While you are welcome to submit a video on any theme, we're especially looking for videos that illustrate the joy and excitement of Amateur Radio. Videos will be judged on overall quality and composition, and prizes will be awarded. This year, the ARRL will be offering two categories: Professional and Amateur. The Professional category is intended for entrants who are professional videographers or those who have access to professional-grade video equipment and software. Both categories will have prizes for first, second and third place. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/be-a-star-enter-the-second-annual-arrl-video-contes t>.

==> ARRL COMMITTEE SEEKS MICROWAVE BAND PLAN INPUT

Attention microwavers! An ARRL Ad Hoc Committee has been tasked by the Board of Directors with recommending updates to the ARRL band plans for the amateur bands between 902 MHz and 3.5 GHz. If you are now active on any of these bands or are developing plans to become active, the committee would like to hear from you.

The band plans for these bands may be found here <http://www.arrl.org/band-plan-1>:

- 902-928 MHz
- 1240-1300 MHz
- 2300-2310 and 2390-2450 MHz
- 3300-3500 MHz

You can find additional background and a form for submitting information here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-committee-seeks-microwave-band-plan-input>. Please respond by December 15, 2011.

==> + W1AW ANNOUNCES WINTER OPERATING SCHEDULE

With the switch from Daylight Saving Time to Standard Time, W1AW Station Manager Joe Carcia, NJ1Q, has updated the W1AW operating schedule to reflect the change. The standard times have not changed, but the UTC times have. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/w1aw-announces-winter-operating-schedule-1>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "November's Sun is felt by none <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g_fwgkpghtM>" Cook, K7RA, reports: This week geomagnetic indices quieted a bit, as did solar activity in general. On November 9, sunspot numbers reached a high of 220, and this week, they declined, rose to 176 and then declined again. The average daily sunspot numbers slipped 8.4 points to 145, while the average daily solar flux dropped 12.5 points to 161.2. The most recent forecast predicts a bit lower activity than we've seen recently. The predicted solar flux from NOAA and USAF shows flux values of 145 on November 17, 150 on November 18-19, 155 on November 20-23, 150 on November 24, 145 on November 25-28, and then rising to 165 on December 4-7, which is just a few days before the ARRL 10 Meter Contest <http://www.arrl.org/10-meter>. The predicted planetary A index for November 17-20 is 5, 7, 8 and 7, then 5 on November 21-25, 7 on November 26-27, and 5 on November 28-December 8. Geophysical Institute Prague has their own take, with unsettled conditions November 18, quiet to unsettled November 19 and quiet November 20-24. Look for more information on the ARRL website on Friday, November 18. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by Widespread Panic's Driving Song <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Widespread_Panic>.

==> + ARRL HEADQUARTERS TO CLOSE FOR THANKSGIVING HOLIDAYS

ARRL Headquarters will be closed November 24 and 25 in observance of Thanksgiving. There will be no W1AW bulletins or code practice transmissions <http://www.arrl.org/w1aw-operating-schedule> those days. The ARRL Letter <http://www.arrl.org/arrlletter/> will be published a day early on Wednesday, November 23, but there will be no ARRL Audio News <http://www.arrl.org/arrl-audio-news> on Thursday, November 24. ARRL Headquarters will reopen Monday, November 28 at 8 AM Eastern Standard Time. We wish everyone a safe and bountiful Thanksgiving holiday.

==> THIS WEEK ON THE RADIO

This week:

- November 18 -- YO International PSK31 Contest
- November 19 -- Feld Hell Sprint
- November 19-20 -- ARRL EME Contest <November%2018%20--%20YO%20International%20PSK31%20Contest>; LZ DX Contest
- November 19-21 -- ARRL Sweepstakes Contest (SSB) <http://www.arrl.org/sweepstakes>; North America Collegiate ARC Championship (SSB)
- November 21 -- Run for the Bacon QRP Contest
- November 23 -- SKCC Sprint
- November 23-24 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

Next week:

- November 26-27 -- CQ Worldwide DX Contest (CW)
- November 27 -- SARL Digital Contest
- December 1 -- QRP ARCI Topband Sprint

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- November 19-20, 2011 -- ARRL Indiana State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/indiana-state-convention-fort-wayne-hamfest-and-computer-expo>, Fort Wayne, Indiana
- December 3-4, 2011 -- ARRL West Central Florida Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-central-florida-section-convention-tampa-bay-hamfest-1>, Palmetto, Florida
- January 8, 2012 -- ARRL New York/Long Island Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/new-york-long-island-section-convention-ham-radio-university-2012>, Bethpage, New York
- January 27-28, 2012 -- ARRL Mississippi State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/mississippi-state-convention-capitol-city-hamfest-1>, Jackson, Mississippi
- February 4, 2012 -- ARRL Virginia State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/virginia-state-convention-frostfest-2012>, Richmond, Virginia; ARRL South Carolina State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/south-carolina-state-convention-1>, Ladson, South Carolina
- February 10-12, 2012 -- ARRL Northern Florida Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/northern-florida-section-convention-orlando-hamcation-1>, Orlando, Florida
- February 17-18, 2012 -- ARRL Southwestern Division Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southwestern-division-convention-1>, Yuma, Arizona
- February 18, 2012 -- ARRL Arkansas Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arkansas-section-convention-1>, Hoxie, Arkansas
- February 25, 2012 -- ARRL Vermont State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/vermont-state-convention-ham-con-2>, South Burlington, Vermont

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1108. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1788 - November 18 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-18 10:00:14 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20111118100006.2816C33C8E@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3948
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1788 - November 18 2011

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1788 with a release date of
Friday, November 18th, 2011 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Ham radio and the National Weather Service
cooperate in a severe weather event in Alaska, rescue radio stands down
in Italy and Turkey, more intruders are found on 10 meters and an
in-depth look at the November 9th National E-A-S test. Was it a
success or a failure? Find out the details are on Amateur Radio
Newsline(tm) report number 1788 coming your way right now.

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RESCUE RADIO: HAMS LAUDED IN THE WAKE OF EARLY SEASON ALASKA STORM

Ham radio has been highlighted in the November 12th issue of the Alaska
Dispatch. This after an early season storm hit the most-Northern
state. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, has the
details:

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According to the news article, when it became clear the Bering Sea
storm was going to be a major severe weather incident the National
Weather Service got word out to Alaska's amateur radio network that it
wanted help. And as crashing waves pounded beaches, the people who
live in the remote, isolated villages along the storm's path stayed
connected via a web created by Alaska's ham radio community.

When other communications failed, ham radio operators came to the
rescue. Throughout the storm, they were the eyes for scientists and
weather forecasters in Fairbanks and Anchorage who otherwise would have
been isolated from the severe weather conditions they could predict but
not see.

Carven Scott, is a forecaster with the National Weather Service in
Anchorage. He told the newspaper that it was hams that were providing
critical observations as the storm blew past. Scott noted that the
N-W-S does not have much in the way of meteorological observations in
the western part of the state but hams kept his agency alerted to the
latest conditions in remote areas. This included such data as how fast
the wind was blowing and from what direction; wave height; whether it
was snowing or raining; and the temperature. Scott says that these

seemingly small details from various villages made a big difference for the weather service in its predictions.

Scott credits Richard Courtney, NL9H, as the ham radio operator who came up with the idea of an alliance between Alaska's ham community and the weather forecasters. Scott said that he had for some time thought that amateur radio would be a good communications supplement. With the Bering Sea storm approaching the Alaska coast, Scott said that they decided to give it a shot.

Scott told the newspaper that through the ham radio network he and his colleagues learned that river ice in Koyuk was backing up and spilling onto the banks. Also that roofs had blown off and water was surging in Nome, and rain and snow were falling in several other villages.

The story also highlights the work of Martin Ruud, WL7MR, in the city of Nome. From Tuesday night as the storm approached through the following Thursday morning, WL7MR forwarded messages from islands and other coastal communities. The newspaper says that Ruud had draped sleeping bags over his windows to protect himself and his equipment in case a wind gust shattered the glass. Outside, a 160-meter loop antenna stood ready atop four telephone poles the city of Nome gave to him for free, knowing he could put people in contact with the outside world when other methods failed.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the Newsroom in Los Angeles.

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The entire story of ham radios role in this major Alaskan winter severe weather outburst can be read on-line at tinyurl.com/alaska-storm (Alaska Dispatch)

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RESCUE RADIO: MARITIME MOBILE NET IN CREW RESCUE

The South African Maritime Net recently assisted in the rescue of the crew of the sailing vessel "Wizard" owned Gerry Boshoff, ZS6SUN . This after the yacht struck a submersed container and began taking on water.

Boshoff maintained regular contact with the South African

Maritime Net which enabled Graham Griggs, ZS2ABK, to supply

the maritime authorities with needed information as to the

yachts location and condition. This allowed rescue

personnel to reach the location and to the crew being saved.

At last report all were taken aboard a tanker which had been

diverted to the spot where the sailing vessel sank.

(SARL)

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RESCUE RADIO: ITALY AND TURKEY SECURE HF EMCOMM OPERATIONS Italian and Turkish High Frequency emergency operations on the 80 and 40 meter bands have been secured. As such there is no further need to take care when operating around 3.643, 3.760MHz on 80 meters and 7.045 and 7.060 and 7.092 and 7.095 MHz on 40.

Keeping clear of these frequencies had been requested RNRE in Italy for relief efforts following the flooding in the North West of that country and TRAC for the Earthquake in Van province of Turkey. Both groups have offered their thanks to the world ham radio community for its cooperation during those hectic times.

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ENFORCEMENT: AUSTRALIA'S ACMA ACTS AGAINST HOBBY RADIO RULES VIOLATORS

The recent issuing of warning notices and confiscations in four states by the Australian Communications and Media Authority or ACMA shows it's serious about infringements by hobby communicators.

Under the Radiocommunications Act, six individuals were given a warning for their unlicensed operation and two additional warnings of possession of modified amateur radio equipment.

The ACMA said all were operating on HF frequencies they were not licensed to use, or allocated to the Amateur Service. A range of non-compliant equipment has been surrendered to the ACMA.

A 70 Watt CB radio in Victoria, a 40 Watt CB radio and 400 Watt linear amplifier in South Australia, a modified Kenwood ham band transceiver from Tasmania, 70 watt CB radio and 600 watt linear amplifier in New South Wales.

The ACMA said operating non-compliant or modified radio communications equipment on frequency bands contrary to that specified by a license condition, had the potential to cause serious interference to radio communications services.

While the ACMA prefers to educate those who operate outside their license conditions, it will suspend or cancel licenses, issue infringement notices, or commence prosecutions for more serious offences.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Graham Kemp, VK4BB, of the WIA News, in Brisbane, Australia. (WIA News, VK3PC)

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INTRUDER WATCH: PROBLEMS WORSENING ON 10 METERS AS MUF RISES

A recent issue of the IARU Monitoring System newsletter reports that the intruder situation on 10 meters is getting worse as the Maximum

Usable Frequency or M-U-F continues to rise in Solar Cycle 24.

The report said that it found much CB-like traffic using AM, FM and SSB between 28 and 29.7 MHz in September and again in October 2011. It pegs Europe, Brazil and the Far East as the primary originating points for most of the illegal 10 meter traffic. The report goes on to say that the band is also still filled with numerous taxi cabs operating FM.

The report says that with conditions on the upper High Frequency bands improving that we could soon witness what it calls the "apocalypse" on the amateur- exclusive 10 meter band. The newsletter also describes interference on the 24 MHz band from Codar Radar and numerous "CB" operators taking to those airwaves as well.

As reported last week, Russia has agreed to do all it can to remove illegal taxi radio operators from the 10 meter band but just how successful that move will be remains to be seen.

(IARU-R1)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the N3EVW repeater serving Scranton, Pennsylvania.

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RESCUE RADIO: THE FIRST NATIONAL EAS TEST - A PARTIAL SUCCESS AND A PARTIAL FAILURE

If you were listening to a radio or watching television at 2

p.m. Eastern U-S time on Wednesday, November 9th this is

what you may have heard:

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Actual test audio air-check.

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That's the sound of the nations first ever national test of the Emergency Alert or E-A-S system. Here's Robert Sudock, WB6FDF, with a look at what happened and possibly why:

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In a November 11th letter to the CGC Communicator broadcast industry newsletter, Richard Rudman, W6TIA, who is the California State

Emergency Communications Committee EAS Vice Chairman writes that FEMA, the Federal Emergency Management Agency, will hopefully release the details soon. That said, from some post-test recordings that he has listened to he believes that there is a very strong likelihood that the audio loop-back that many heard occurred at the FEMA warning origination point. Rudman says that there are other theories being advanced, but that we will have to wait for FEMA to issue its official post-test report to know with 100% certainty exactly what happened and what will be done to prevent this from happening in the future.

Rudman who is one of the architects of emergency public alert systems going back several decades says that while a large number of people and media outlets still represent the test as a "failure" it wasn't that at all. Rudman says that he wants to strongly restate his feeling that we need to look beyond the audio shortcomings and concentrate on the many things that went right with the EAS relay system, and on the distribution infrastructure and equipment issues that will require EAS public and private stakeholder cooperation to fix.

Rudman adds that at some point in the near future we will find out if our government is serious about warnings or not. This he says includes dollars for training from origination point on through; dollars for redundant and resilient warning distribution infrastructure and now the will on the part of FEMA and the FCC for as rapid a transition from SAME EAS to CAP EAS as possible, with wired and wireless paths for CAP distribution that back up Internet distribution.

But back in the nation's capitol, FEMA Integrated Public Alert and Warning System Program Director Manny Centeno has a different view. In an interview with Radio World magazine, Centeno claims that the test went off on time, and was delivered across the country. He says that the quality of the originating message was clear for the first four seconds; however a technical malfunction occurred at a national primary level that introduced dual header tones and subsequently decreased the original audio quality of the message for downstream stations. Centeno says that this resulted in distorted audio.

According to Centeno, the Federal Emergency Management Agency delivered the audio to more than 60 Primary Entry Point stations that were all on a telephone conference bridge during the event. All the national primary stations were connected during the test. Asked whether a particular station introduced the bad audio, Centeno said FEMA is looking into how the audio was introduced into the system and is re-creating the anomaly in its lab.

Centeno reiterated that last the November 9th test will not be the last. He says that FEMA looks forward to approaching the community with lessons learned, hearing their observations in an open forum, and continuing to improve the Best Practices Guide as well as the EAS system on a national scale.

But there is one issue that has yet to be addressed. That's the human issue of whether FEMA is expecting to much from the public when it holds an E-A-S test. This is because the average radio listener and TV viewer is used to great sounding audio all of the time. And what planners of the EA-S within FEMA and other government lettered agencies have yet to realize is that even in the clear and without a loop back problem, communications quality audio of 300 to 3000 Hz is going to sound really lousy on even the cheapest of pocket radios and that when the public hears alert tones that sound like bursts of static, many are going to simply tune out.

These agencies also seem to not realize what Richard Rudman and other E-A-S technologists do. That being in time of a real crisis situation that the Internet and much of the nation's landline communications may be down and that an alternate means of alerting the nations population is needed.

The bottom line is that the current E-A-S system may be a bit to complex for its own good. Some of us old enough to remember the days of the old Conelrad emergency alerting system tests that began in 1951 and continued until 1963. Those people also recall how well it worked because of its simplicity. It did not rely on computer routing and an immense software controlled hihgherarchy. Rather it placed its trust in the hands of human beings and only once in its history did that human system ever fail.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Robert Sudock, WB6FDF, in Los Angeles.

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If you have never heard a Conelrad alert but would like to, then take your web browser to tinyurl.com/first-conelrad test. And yes, things were much simpler back then. (Adapted from the CGC Communicator, RW, others)

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BANDPLANNING: ARRL AD HOC COMMITTEE ON MICROWAVE BANDS

And this for hams who like to operate in the

microwave spectrum. An ARRL Ad Hoc Committee

has been tasked by the Leagues Board of

Directors with recommending updates to the ARRL

band plans for the amateur bands between 902 MHz

and 3.5 GHz. If you are now active on any of

these bands or are developing plans to do so,

the committee would like to hear from you. The

band plans for these bands may be found at

www.arrl.org/band-plan-1. Comments go via the

ARRL website at www.arrl.org/microwave-band-plan-

input-form. You have till December 15th to

respond.

(WA6ILQ. W9QZB, others)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: FROSTFEST 2012 IN RICHMOND

VIRGINIA

Turning to the ham radio social scene, Frostfest 2012, sponsored by the Richmond Amateur Telecommunications Society, takes place on Saturday, February 4th. This event features manufacturer's representatives from major equipment makers, new equipment vendors, 300 tables of indoor flea market sales, VE Testing, DXCC Card Checking, forums and meetings. The venue is the Richmond Raceway Complex in Richmond Virginia. This event is also the ARRL Virginia State Convention. More is on-line at www.frostfest.com.

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HAM HAPPENINGS: 15th INTERNATIONAL EME CONFERENCE TWEETING

There is now an official Twitter information

feed for the upcoming 15th International E-M-E

Conference. That happening is to be held in

Cambridge, United Kingdom, August 16th to the

18th of 2012. The Twitter feed can be found at

twitter.com/moonbounce2012. For more

information on the conference take your web

browser to www.eme2012.com (Southgate)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: DAYTON HAMVENTION TOPS 22,000

IN 2011

Its taken a few months to compile, but according to Dayton Hamvention on-line Moderator Bill Curtice, WA8ABP, the official attendance for the 2011 gathering has been tallied at 22,312. That appears to be up by several hundred over 2009 and 2010. It is a sign that at least the health of the ham radio economy is improving even if that of the rest

of the nation seems to be lagging behind. The information was posted to the Hamvention reflector on Sunday, November 13th.

(Hamventionr News Group, WA8ABP)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only

official website at www.arnewsline.org and

being relayed by the volunteer services of

the following radio amateur:

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RADIO TECHNOLOGY: PROBLEMS WITH P25 SECURITY

While it's not of much concern to hams who have adopted Project 25 digital audio, researchers looking at the security of this system have discovered that it's easily jammed, and almost as easily compromised. And all of this can be accomplished using a kid's toy. Amateur Radio Newsline welcomes Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, to the Amateur Radio Newsline family. She has this report:

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During a two-year study, researchers from the University of Pennsylvania found that encryption on a police P 25 network was not only routinely switched off, but also demonstrated how a 25 dollar toy called the "GirlTECH IM me" could be reprogrammed to jam transmissions and even exclude specific users or subnets. It also showed how a more-expensive option could track a specific user.

P 25 is the United States equivalent to the trans-European Trunked Radio or TETRA digital audio radio system. But unlike TETRA, which is deployed in a dedicated and fairly secure radio spectrum, P 25 had to be compatible with the existing analog systems, and is thus squeezed into a fixed 12.5 kilohertz split-channel spacing. However, that is not the only thing making it vulnerable. According to the report P 25 uses fixed-length packets, optionally encrypted using a symmetric key, distributed to handsets manually or over the air.

They say that the first problem is the key distribution doesn't always work. As such the research team found users frequently get cut out and have to ask the rest of the group to switch off encryption for the duration of the operation. Individual users can also, inadvertently, switch off their own encryption without other users being alert enough

to notice.

The researcher's 16 page report does have practical advice for users of the P 25 digital audio mode. It suggests reprogramming handsets to make switching off encryption less obvious, and reminding users when it has been switched off. But the team also concludes that fundamentally the P 25 system wasn't designed with a properly layered security model, and that this will always leave it more vulnerable than it should be.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, in Pennsylvania.

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More about this issue with the P-25 system is on-line at tinyurl.com/p25-secure (The A Register)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: KC5ZSX NOW ON THE ISS

Amid steady snow, a Soyuz TMA-22 spacecraft roared to life from the Bikenour Cosmodrome in Kazikstan at 10:14 G-M-T one Monday, November 14th. On board were United States Astronaut Daniel Burbank KC5ZSX along with commander Anton Shkaplerov and engineer Anatoly Ivanishin.

The three were supposed to have launched on September 22. That went on-hold after an unmanned Progress cargo ship suffered a third stage malfunction during launch August 24th and failed to reach orbit. The third stage of the cargo craft's rocket is virtually identical to the one used in the manned version.

The three Expedition 29 space explorers docked with the ISS on Wednesday, November 16th. All the current Expedition 29 I-S-S crew members are radio amateurs. This includes commander Michael Fossum KF5AQG, Sergei Volkov U4MIR and Satoshi Furukawa KE5DAW. Once they return to Earth on November 21st, Daniel Burbank KC5ZSX will be the Expedition 30 commander and also become the only radio amateur on the ISS until the next crew change about 6 months from now. More is on-line at spaceflightnow.com.

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: RESEARCHER SAYS ARISSAT-1 WILL DEORBIT IN APRIL

The ARISSat-1 satellite is due to re-enter Earth's atmosphere in early April 2012. This, according to predictions from Mineo Wakita, JE9PEL, made on his website at tinyurl.com/7qw2nt9.

At his site JE9PEL has posted charts that show the slowly declining orbit of ARISSat-1 which was hand launched from the International Space Station back on August 8th. If his predictions hold accurate then ARISSat-1 still has several months left on-orbit before it meets a fiery demise as it reenters the Earths atmosphere. Meantime the

satellite remains quite active and has become one of the most popular birds since the start of ham radios operations from space.

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COMING TO THE AIR: MARCH 2012 DXPEDITION NEEDS MORE OPERATORS

Planning is well underway for an upcoming DXpedition to Botswana, but more operators are needed. This according to organizer Charles Frost, K5LBU, who tells the Ohio Pen DX Newsletter that the operation appears to have lost 3 members for the March 2012 DXpedition and that its looking for replacements who might like to go with it.

K5LBU who is better known as Frosty says that the current plan is to arrive in Johannesburg, South Africa on March 15th. They will then spend 3 nights in a game park on the way to Botswana arriving at the Lotsane Lodge on March 18th and returning to Johannesburg on the 28th. He adds that they will operate as A25HQ in the CQ WPX Contest while there.

According to K5LBU in addition to transportation to and from Johannesburg the cost is $235 a day per person

and this covers all meals, transport and

lodging. All you will need is your laptop for

logging and a key and headset. Equipment the

DXpedition is bringing along includes an Icom

746 Pro, a Yaesu FT 450 and at least one Expert

1K-FA amplifiers. Antennas are a T6 Log

Periodic, an HF2V, and a folded dipole that

covers 160 through10 meters also. If you would

like to go please E-mail Frosty to 3da0cf (at)

gmail (dot) com.

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In DX, JH1NBN will be active as 8Q7ZB from the Maldives Islands through November 29th. Operations are on the HF bands, propagation permitting. He may also enter the CQ World Wide DX CW Contest on November 26th and the 27th. QSL via his home callsign, either direct or via the bureau.

K9NW will be active as C91NW from Mozambique through November 29th. His operations will be on 160 through 10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and

possibly 6 meters as well. QSL via his home callsign.

A large multi-national team will be on the air from Nepal until November 25th. The callsign to look out for is 9N7MD. Activity will be on all bands in SSB, CW and RTTY. The QSL Manager is IK2VUC and logs will also be uploaded to Logbook of the World.

Lastly, DK9PY will be operational portable FG from Guadeloupe through November 26th. Activity will be only CW mainly on the 30, 17 and 12 meter bands. Also listen out on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 meters usually at about 15 kHz from the bottom of the band edge. QSL via his home callsign, either direct or by the bureau.

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THAT FINAL ITEM: VISITING GERMANYS HAM RADIO CONVENTION THANKS TO THE CAMERA OF DC3AQ

And finally this week, a new video about the HAMRADIO 2011 convention in Friedrichshafen, Germany, last spring is now on-line. Often called the Dayton of Europe, this years HAMRADIO featured 184 exhibitors, representatives from 29 countries and an attendance up with the biggest shows. These three factors made it a truly international event.

The show was produced by Matthias Schilhab,

DC3AQ, and uses only video and the voices of the

attendees to tell the story of HAMRADIO as seen

through the eyes of each person interviewed and

presented in that person's home language. For

example, here is a sample from those who

expressed their view of the event in the English

language:

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Actual show audio sample.

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According to film maker DC3AQ, he decided not to narrate or to translate the film because he and his crew didn't know whether to release it in German, English, or Spanish. Instead, he calls the on-line release his polyglot version with each language standing on its own. Hence its title of HAMRADIO 2011 Polyglot.

You can view this 14 minute movie on-line at tinyurl.com/dc3aq-DL-Movie. And less we forget to mention, DC3AQ says that he funded this project himself without any support any sponsor or radio club. We say bravo on this very special gift from him to the

world-wide amateur radio community. (DC3AQ, ARNewsline(tm))

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Jim Damron, N8TMW, in Chasrleston, West Virginia, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-18 16:00:22 UTC
From: Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk
Message-ID: <20111118160004.930C833C8E@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3949
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 20th November 2011

The news headlines:

* Logbook of the World processing delay reduced

* New challenge for Spectrum Defence

* Christmas posting deadlines loom for overseas book orders

Following the news item last week on delays uploading to Logbook of the World. Currently, the processing delay is down to 45 hours. More than 1 million QSOs have been uploaded in the past five days. If you have already uploaded a log, there is no need to upload it again as this will only add to the queue. Please follow guidelines online as this will allow Logbook of the World to process the backlog at a faster pace.

Recent news from the MoD in the UK and in Europe underline the upsurge in demand for lower frequency microwave spectrum for mobile and broadband use. Our secondary allocations at 2.3 and 3.4GHz lie within the so-called 'sweet spot' for forthcoming 4G commercial services and are coming under increasing pressure. The Society and IARU are fully engaged with this difficult challenge. Spectrum defence is never easy but we certainly plan on retaining sufficient access for our own increasing activity and innovation.

The Christmas posting deadlines are fast approaching for overseas book orders from the RSGB. The first deadline is 1 December for Rest of the World airmail orders, then 3 December for Western Europe. Air mail orders to North America and Western Europe must be placed by 8 December. All these dates can be found on the RSGB website within the RSGB Shop.

The BBC World Service is auctioning off more than 100 lots of audio and radio equipment that has been decommissioned from its Bush House studio in London. Included are audio consoles, monitors, microphones including some very rare Coles ribbon microphones designed to BBC specifications. Details are available at www.tinyurl.com/BBC-auction. Bidding closes on 22 November at 1300 hours GMT.

Following the cancellation of the C21A Nauru expedition, Pacific DXers team members VK4AN, VK4FW, VK4NEF, NL8F, K4ZLE and W5SL now plan to be active from Tuvalu as T2T until 8 December.

Activation forms for ROC Bunker Month 2012, which will be held in October 2012, are now being accepted. So why not get planning and submit a form to www.rocbunkers.co.uk to participate? And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

The Mayo Radio Experimenters Annual Radio Rally is today, Sunday 20 November, at the Welcome Inn Hotel, Castlebar, Co Mayo. Doors open at 11am and there will be the usual range of traders, club stands, demonstrations and extensive catering facilities. Full details are online at www.ei7mre.org.

Also today, 20 November, the 34th CATS Radio & Electronics Bazaar will take place at 1st Coulsdon Scout HQ, at the rear of the Council Car Park, Lion Green Road, Coulsdon, Surrey. Doors will be open 10am to 1pm and admission is £1. There will be a Bring & Buy. Details are online at www.catsradio.org.

Plymouth Radio Club Rally is taking place today, 20 November, at Elm Community Centre, Leypark Walk, Estover, Plymouth PL6 8UE. Doors open at 10am and admission is £2. There will be trade stands and a Bring & Buy. More information from Bob Griffiths, G7HNB, on 017523 431 277.

The final rally of the year takes place on 4 December. The Bishop Auckland Radio Amateurs Club Rally will be held in Spennymoor Leisure Centre, Co Durham DL16 6DB. Doors open at 10.30am and admission is £1.50, with accompanied under 14s free. There will be trade stands and a Bring & Buy. More details from Mark, G0GFG on 01388 747 497.

Now for the news of special events

Newport ARS will be activating the Newport ROC Bunker in Monmouthsire on Saturday 26 November using callsign GC4EZW. Details are listed on www.rocbunkers.co.uk and on the ROCBunkers Facebook page.

G4PF and M0GWW will be running a special event station to celebrate Lancashire Week, using the callsign GB0LD. The NoV runs from 20 to 27 November with the Loyal Toast being read at 9pm on the final day, which is Lancashire Day. The station will be run from the village of Hoghton in central Lancashire and will use all bands from 70cm to 160m. More information can be found on QRZ.com.

And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

VE3EY and VE3TA will be active from Saint Barth£lemy between 22 and 29 November using a TO3 prefix callsign. Their operation will include the CQ World Wide DX CW Contest on 26 and 27 November as a Multi- Single entry. QSL via their home callsigns.

G3RWF will be active as 5X1NH from Uganda for three weeks, starting on 23 November. He will concentrate on the low bands. QSL via his home callsign.

A large multi-national team will be on the air from Nepal from 13 to 25 November as 9N7MD. Activity will be on all bands in SSB, CW and RTTY.

The QSL Manager is IK2VUC and logs will also be uploaded to Logbook of the World.

Islands on the Air Award enthusiasts will have the opportunity to work a new one this week as 7Z7AA is on the air until 25 November from Jabal Al Lith Island in the Red Sea. The IOTA reference number is AS-191 and QSL info is via 7Z1CQ. Now the contest news

Tuesday 22 November sees both the 50MHz UK Activity Contest and the SHF Activity Contest take place, both between 2000 and 2230UTC. On 50MHz, it's all modes with the exchange of signal report, serial number and locator. For SHF it's the 2.3 to 10GHz amateur bands using all modes and the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

Thursday 24 November is the 80m Club Sprint contest from 2000 to 2130UTC. Using CW only, the exchange is serial number and name.

The CQWW DX CW Contest takes place for the whole 48 hours of 26 and 27 November. With propagation on the upper HF bands improved over recent years, at times we can expect the CW segments of all the contesting bands from 3.5 to 28MHz to be very busy indeed. The exchange is signal report and CQ Zone, which is 14 for the UK.

And now the solar factual data for the period from the 7th to the 13th of November, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on the 14th of November

The solar disc had numerous sunspot groups visible every day, a lot were small and quiet. There was, though, one large group that looked capable of producing major solar flares, but all it could manage was C class flares. Activity did increase on the 9th when an M class flare occurred from a smaller region. Solar flux levels declined from 182 units, the highest so far for this cycle, to 155 by the 13th. The average was 174. The 90 day solar flux average on the 13th was 135, that's seven units up on last week. X-ray flux levels declined slightly to end the period at B6.8 units. The average was B7.1 units. Geomagnetic activity was quiet every day. The most disturbed day was the 8th with an Ap index of only 6 units. On the 13th the Ap was zero. The average was Ap 3 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds vary between 320 and 480 kilometres per second. Particle densities varied between 1 and 5 particles per cubic centimetre. With a quiet magnetic field, Bz only varied between minus and plus 8 nanoTeslas and not even that on some days. With high solar flux levels, low Ap figures and the right time of year, MUFs were at their season high and were well above 30MHz every day, which provided excellent conditions on all the HF bands to all continents.

And finally the solar forecast. This week, the quieter side of the Sun is expected to be looking our way. Solar activity should be at low levels, with only a small chance of activity going any higher. This, as always, is based on previous solar rotations, but at this stage of the sunspot cycle that can change during the two weeks it takes to rotate across the far side of the Sun before coming back into view again.

Solar flux levels should be around the 130's. Geomagnetic activity should be mostly quiet, however a small disturbance could take place around midweek due to a small coronal hole that had almost disappeared on its last rotation. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 30MHz. Darkness hour lows should be about 10MHz. Paths this week to the east coast of North America should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 27MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 21MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 1300 and 1800 hours.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your

transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS On Sunday 20 November Derby RAYNET Amateur Radio Group is supporting an all day walk. Contact Martin, G7MKS, via email to contactus@derbyraynet.co.uk.

On Monday 21 November Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is having a workshop evening and is on the air on VHF. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Monday 21 November Lincoln Short-Wave Club is holding a committee meeting. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Monday 21 November South Birmingham Radio Society welcomes its new committee. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Monday 21 November Sutton Coldfield Amateur Radio Society is holding a general meeting with discussions and is on the air. More information from Robert Bird, by email to spirit.guide@hotmail.co.uk.

On Monday 21 November Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society is having an 80m operating Night. For more information contact Peter D Rivers, G4XEX, on 01858 432 105.

On Tuesday 22 November Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is having a video show. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 22 November Forest of Dean Amateur Radio Group continues its Foundation course and is having a talk on Morse code by Mike, G0XAE. Details on 01594 549 110.

On Tuesday 22 November Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on how the ear works by Professor Alan Palmer. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Tuesday 22 November Mid-Warwickshire Amateur Radio Society is meeting on the air on 145.225MHz. Details from Don, G4CYG, on 01926 424 465.

On Tuesday 22 November Worcester Radio Amateurs Association is holding a construction night. Details from Rich Moles, M0UVA, via email to secretary@m0zoo.co.uk.

On Tuesday 22 November Wythall Radio Club is having a talk on modelling wire antennas by M0MCX. Details from Colin, M0GJM, on 07598 540 507.

On Wednesday 23 November Lincoln Short-Wave Club is holding a formal meeting and construction contest. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356. On Wednesday 23 November Midland Amateur Radio Society is having a film show and training classes. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003.

On Wednesday 23 November Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a surplus sale. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday 24 November South Birmingham Radio Society is having training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Friday 25 November Coventry Amateur Radio Society is having a skittles night. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

On Friday 25 November Hucknall Rolls Royce Amateur Radio Club is having a short talk on what's new in amateur radio by Dave Wilde, G1YAI. More information from Dave Wilde, G1YAI, on 08444 355 593.

On Friday 25 November South Birmingham Radio Society is having a construction evening. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Saturday 26 November Derby RAYNET Amateur Radio Group is holding its annual dinner. Contact Martin, G7MKS, via email to contactus@derbyraynet.co.uk.

On Saturday 26 November Lincoln Short-Wave Club is in the shack. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND On Monday 21 November Angel of the North Radio Amateur Radio Club is enrolling candidates for an Advanced exam course. The club has an extensive training programme and has various courses scheduled in the coming year. Details from Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 07990 760 920.

On Monday 21 November Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having a beginner's guide to contesting by Andrew Bennett, G0HSA. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 21 November South Tyneside Amateur Radio Society is holding its AGM at St Peters Church Hall, York Avenue, Jarrow NE32 5LP. All are welcome. Details from George, M1FNE, by email to g.scott@blueyonder.co.uk.

On Monday 21 November Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on general fire safety by Dave Williams of BAE. More information from J Duddington, G4BFH, on 01253 853 554.

On Tuesday 22 November Chester & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a Surplus Sale. Details from Barbara Green on 07957 870 770.

On Tuesday 22 November Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air and continuing the Intermediate and Foundation training courses. Contact Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341 317.

On Wednesday 23 November Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on Captain PP Eckersley by G3XYF. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573. On Thursday 24 November Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the Club Sprint CW contest. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Thursday 24 November Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is having a Rocky Horror club night. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 07876 085 631.

On Thursday 24 November South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having an update on the RSGB by Dave, M0OBW. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Friday 25 November East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is having a radio components catalogues evening. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND A new amateur radio club has been formed in County Fermanagh. Enniskillen Amateur Radio Society is devoted to promoting amateur radio to all walks of life. Everyone is more than welcome. The club is currently running a Foundation course and hopes to run further courses in 2012. Full details, including meeting times, are online at www.earsni.co.uk or you can e-mail earsni@btopenworld.com .

On Thursday 24 November Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club is running a Foundation course and exam over the weekend. For more information send an email to cqmuarc@gmail.com.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND We start with advance notice that the 2012 Central Scotland Mini Ham Radio Convention will take place on Saturday 2 June at the Crofthead Farm Community Education Centre, Templar Rise, Livingston EH54 6DG. Entry will start at 10 am and 9:50 am for registered disabled. The mini convention will feature lectures, traders, an outside flea market, bring and buy, RSGB book stand, raffle, meeting rooms and a snack bar. Further details are online at uk.groups.yahoo.com/group/cshrc.

On Tuesday 22 November Kilmarnock & Loudoun Amateur Radio Club is having a club night. Contact Graham, MM3GDC, by email to mm3gdc@btinternet.com.

On Tuesday 22 November Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is holding Morse code practice. Details from Norman, on 07740 946 192.

On Wednesday 23 November Ayr Amateur Radio Group is having a club night. Details from Tom Ferguson, GM1OST, on 01292 532 088.

On Wednesday 23 November Lothians Radio Society is having a talk on communication receiver design by Dave Stockton, GM4ZNX. Contact Andy Sinclair, by email to secretary@lothiansradiosociety.com.

On Thursday 24 November Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is having a talk. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA On Sunday 20 November Horsham Amateur Radio Club is holding a fox hunt. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk.

On Monday 21 November Burnham Beeches Radio Club is having a test equipment evening. Contact Dave, G4XDU, on 01628 625 720.

On Monday 21 November East Kent Radio Society is having a visit by Chris Ridley and John Turner of Icom UK and is having a construction evening. Details from Karl Davies, M1DFM, on 01227 710 120.

On Monday 21 November Surrey Radio Contact Club is having a fix-it, advice, chin wag and move-it-on evening. Contact John, G3MCX, on 02086 883 322.

On Tuesday 22 November Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Tuesday 22 November Dorking & District Radio Society is having a report on the 4 square beam antenna results by Garth Swanson, G3NPC. Contact Garth, G3NPC, on 01737 359 472.

On Tuesday 22 November Harwell Amateur Radio Society is having a shack activity night. Contact Malcolm, G8NRP, on 01235 524 844.

On Wednesday 23 November Bittern DX Group Radio is holding a night for Scouts at Roughton Mill from 7pm. Details from Linda, G0AJJ, on 01692 404 154.

On Wednesday 23 November Crawley Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on technical systems in air traffic control by Alan O'Donovan, G8NKM. More information from John, G3VLH, on 01342 714 402.

On Wednesday 23 November Hastings Electronics and Radio Club is having a talk by Wilf, G0GYE, on the biggest aspidistra in the world. Details from Gordon, on 01424 431 909.

On Wednesday 23 November Newbury & District Amateur Radio Society is having a presentation by Roger, G8NHG on his homebrew HF receiver.

Contact Rob, G4LMW, on 01635 862 737.

On Wednesday 23 November Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on workshop electrical safety by Kelvan, M0KEL. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816 684.

On Thursday 24 November Bittern DX Group Club is meeting at Pinewood Park Leisure Club. Details from Linda, G0AJJ, on 01692 404 154.

On Thursday 24 November Echelford Amateur Radio Society is holding a Bring & Buy, CW practice and having a natter night. Contact John, G4GSC, on 01784 451 898.

On Thursday 24 November Edgware & District Radio Society is having an open discussion on memorable QSLs and QSOs. More information from Mike, G4RNW, on 02089 500 658.

On Thursday 24 November Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a club night at the shack. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564 242.

On Thursday 24 November Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the RSGB 80m Club Sprint CW contest. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678. On Thursday 24 November Reading & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the British Antarctic Survey by Glyn Craig. Details from Pete, G8FRC, on 01189 695 697.

On Thursday 24 November Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a quiz by Brian, G8GHR. Details from David, G8UOD, on 01234 742 757.

On Friday 25 November Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on sun spots by Martin, G3ZAY. Contact Ron, G3KBR, on 01223 501 712.

On Friday 25 November Itchen Valley Amateur Radio Club is having a DXpedition presentation. Details from Liz, M0ACL, on 02380 254 599.

On Friday 25 November Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on Sussex trams by Ian Gledhill. Contact Peter, G4AKG, on 01444 239 371.

On Friday 25 November Radio Society of Harrow is having a talk. More information from Linda, G7RJL, on 02083 868 586.

On Friday 25 November Wimbledon & District Amateur Radio Society is having a surplus equipment sale. Contact Andrew Maish, G4ADM, on 02083 353 434.

On Sunday 27 November Coalhouse Fort Amateur Radio Society is talking about Remembrance day. Contact John Parker, M1DUC, by email to coalhouserad1o@yahoo.com.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST On Monday 21 November Appledore & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a Bring and Buy. Contact Brian Jewell,

M0BRB, on 01237 473 251 for more information.

On Wednesday 23 November Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Thursday 24 November South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

On Thursday 24 November Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having an activity night. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Thursday 24 November Yeovil Amateur Radio Club is holding a committee meeting and putting the club station on the air. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk.

On Friday 25 November North Bristol Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on a fox hunting receiver by Dr Tony Hawker, G4CJZ. More information from Dick on 01454 218 362.

On Friday 25 November Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on digital ATV by Malcolm, G0UHY. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES On Monday 21 November Dragon Amateur Radio Club is holding its AGM. More information from Stewart Rolfe, GW0ETF, on 07833 620 733.

On Thursday 24 November Aberystwyth & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club night on the air on 145.500 then 145.550MHz. Details from Ray, GW7AGG, on 01970 611 853.

On Friday 25 November Newport Amateur Radio Society is looking inside the ACOM 1000 amplifier with Ross, GW3NWS. More information from Ross Clare, GW3NWS, on 01633 880 146.

1110. SARL News in English 19/11/2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-19 15:45:37 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <E08450C7287741EBB9E792AD3B665018@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 3950
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 20 NOVEMBER 2011

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. PLEASE NOTE: for audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 and 3,695 MHz SSB.

In the news today:

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS ACT ON SARL WEB

ANNUAL REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE TODAY

ANOTHER MILE STONE FOR 500 kHz

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting items.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS ACT ON SARL WEB

The Department of Communications has published proposed amendments to the Electronic Communications Act for comment. The SARL is studying the proposals for any possible changes that may affect amateur radio. A copy of the proposed changes to the ECA can be downloaded from www.sarl.org.za, select Amateur Radio TODAY from the left hand menu. The SARL Council invites your input before 26 November 2011 to artoday@sarl.org.za.

ANNUAL REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE TODAY

The annual Remembrance Day service will be transmitted as part of Amateur Radio TODAY at 10:45 this morning. The service will be conducted in Afrikaans and English by Ds Jan Kramer, ZS6JRK, of the Nederduits Hervormde Kerk gemeente Elsburg. The service was not transmitted last Sunday because of a technical problem.

All radio amateurs are requested to keep radio silence between 10:45 and 11:00 this morning in memory of all who lost their lives in service of their country.

ARISSat-1 MAY DE-ORBIT IN APRIL 2012

According to predictions from Mineo Wakita, JE9PEL, the ARISSat-1 satellite is due to re-enter Earth's atmosphere in early April 2012. Launched from the International Space Station on August 8, the satellite is traveling in a low orbit and is steadily losing altitude. The rate of orbital decay may be accelerated by increasing atmospheric density caused by increased solar activity. With that factor in mind, some ARISSat-1 decay predictions suggest re-entry as early as February 1. ARISSat-1 remains quite active, sending voice messages, digital telemetry and Slow Scan TV images. Amateurs have also been able to enjoy contacts through ARISSat-1's linear transponder despite the fact that the UHF antenna was apparently damaged prior to (or during) deployment. Last month, AMSAT-NA announced a competition to see who can record the last bits of telemetry as ARISSat-1 makes its final plunge. To decode the CW or BPSK telemetry you must use the ARISSATTLM software for Windows or Mac OS. T

he CW signal is transmitted at 145,919 MHz and the BPSK signal appears at 145,920 MHz, plus or minus Doppler.

ANOTHER MILE STONE FOR 500 kHz

Preparatory studies for WRC agenda item 1.23 seeking a new amateur service allocation somewhere in the range 415 - 526,5 kHz reached a milestone with the approval of a Report on amateur experimental operations in the above frequency range.

Working Group 1, the group responsible for amateur radio issues, continued an updating and revision of Questions, Recommendations and Reports pertaining to the amateur services. The IARU continues to show leadership in the planning and implementation of these activities.

PROBLEMS WORSENING ON 10 METRES AS MUF RISES

A recent issue of the IARU Monitoring System newsletter reports that the intruder situation on 10 metres is getting worse as the Maximum Usable Frequency or MUF continues to rise in Solar Cycle 24.

The report said that it found much CB-like traffic using AM, FM and SSB between 28 and 29,7 MHz in September and again in October 2011. It pegs Europe, Brazil and the Far East as the primary originating points for most of the illegal 10 metre traffic. The report goes on to say that the band is also still filled with numerous taxi cabs operating FM.

The report says that with conditions on the upper High Frequency bands improving that we could soon witness what it calls the "apocalypse" on the amateur- exclusive 10 metre band. The newsletter also describes interference on the 24 MHz band from Codar Radar and numerous "CB" operators taking on those airwaves as well.

Last week Russia agreed to do all it can to remove illegal taxi radio operators from the 10 metre band but just how successful that move will be remains to be seen.

MEMBERSHIP EDGES TOWARDS 1 500

The current membership of the SARL is 1 414, still some way to go to the 1 500 mark. I you have not yet paid your dues, please do it now and get reinstated to receive member benefits and Radio ZS. By paying the full 2011/2012 fee now you will not loose your membership record.

If you are not a member, is it not time that you consider joining and supporting your hobby? In January 2012 the ITU meets in Geneva for WRC12, the IARU is making good progress on getting an allocation in the 500 kHz band, their strength at representing amateur radio lies in the strength of individual member societies. The SARL and ICASA are in talks about an allocation in the 5 MHz band. All this need the support of every radio amateur. Do it now, join the SARL and you support your hobby.

CLUB EVENTS

South Cape Amateur Radio Club.

On Saturday, 5 November 2011, the SCARC held their AGM at Wilderness with 30 members and non-members in attendance. The committee elected for 2012 consist of the following members: Chairman: Jacques Vermeulen, ZS1WC Vice Chairman: Casey Nootenboom, ZS1AAS Secretary/Treasurer: Bets Meyer, XYL of ZS1M Repeaters: Hans Potgieter, ZS6ALJ/ZS1ALJ Additional members: John Fletcher, ZS1ZR Chris Meyer, ZS1M, and Chris Nortier, ZS1FA

Many thanks to the retiring committee members and strength to the new committee.

After the meeting a Bring-and-Braai was enjoyed and the day ended with a huge boot sale.

West Rand Amateur Radio Club.

The WRARC will host its next flea market at 12:00 on Saturday 03 December 2011 at the clubhouse in Kroton Street, Weltevredenpark, Roodepoort. Everyone is very welcome. For more information, contact Phillip, ZS6PVT, at 083 267 3835.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that many sunspots are producing C-class flares and that sunspot 1 346 poses a slight threat for Earth directed M-class flares. The sun's surface is peppered with smaller sunspots promising exciting HF conditions.

For the people doing their own frequency predictions the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 103, slightly down on last week's record high for this solar cycle.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with the higher bands typically opening first and the lower bands opening later during the day. 6 m is also waking up with some very nice TEP openings.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

20 November - Field day competition still on. 20 November - CW leg of 80 m Club competition. 26 November - Last day to submit comments on the proposed amendments to the Electronic Communication Act to artoday@sarl.org.za. 27 November - Digital competition. 30 November - Last day to submit logs for Pears HF DX-expedition. 03 December - Flea market of the West Rand Amateur Radio Club at 12:00. 31 January 2012 - Last day for submission of nominations for Council members and also for submission of motions for the 2012 SARL AGM. 31 January 2012 - Closing date for submitting papers for SA AMSAT Space Symposium.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 16:30 UTC on 4 895 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by George, Z6SNE.

Thank you for listening, 73. /EX

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1111. NZART Headquarters Infoline issue 242

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-20 02:33:02 UTC
From: "ZL1AMW (infoline)" <zl1amw@nzart.org.nz>
Message-ID: <C2207146EA464629817B0F16478C6405@AlanLaptop>
Source record: 3851
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NZART Headquarters Infoline Issue 242

20 November 2011

NZART Website: www.nzart.org.nz

In this issue:

· From the desk of HQ

· KORDIA National System Award

· Branch information

· VHF Contest information

· FMTAG Report

· Looking for an old amateur, can you help?

· Housekeeping

Debby Says…I have been unable to find a replacement HQ Info-line Editor, therefore after some consideration, it has been agreed that the deadline for articles will now be on the Thursday prior to publication. This gives me time to collate everything received and place in a readable format.

As from Issue 243 due out 4th December, Info-line will be sent out via e-mail on Friday evenings following the deadline. Any missed articles, dependant on urgency, will be included in the following fortnightly issue.

This will be the last week for any subscriptions for 2012 received to be eligible to go in the draw for the hand held radio. Please make sure your payments reaches me on or before Wednesday 30th November.

Talk soon…Debby ZL2DL

Kordia National System Award – 2012

The Kordia National System Award 2012 – Historic Places, is being run again by The Hamilton Amateur Radio Club, Branch 12, NZART, in association with the New Zealand Historic Places Trust. This is a FUN award, available to all amateurs to demonstrate the coverage and use of the National System, to promote our history and Category 2 Historic places.

All details for this award, are available at:-
http://zl1ux.tripod.com/nsaward.html

The award will run from 1 January 2012 to 6 February 2012

Applications close: 6 March 2012 with -

The Award Custodian
Hamilton Amateur Radio Club
PO Box 606
HAMILTON 3240
or
Email to: branch.12@nzart.org.nz with KNS2012 in the subject line

Gavin Petrie (ZL1GWP)
Award Custodian

Te Puke Amateur Radio Club's Annual "Junk Sale"

Where: Paengaroa Community Hall.

When: 3rd March 2012.

FROM THE VHF/UHF/SHF CONTEST MANAGER

The Next Contest

The next contest is the Field Day Contest, 50 MHz and up, on Saturday the 3rd and Sunday the 4th of December 2011. The operating times are: Saturday 1700 to 2300 NZST and Sunday 0700 to 1300 NZDST.

The contest after that is the DX Weekend Contest, 50 MHz and up, on Saturday the 4th and Sunday the 5th of February 2012. The operating times are: Saturday 1700 to 2300 NZST and Sunday 0700 to 1300 NZDST.

The latest version of the Contest Rules is available at:

http://www.vhf.org.nz/VHF-UHF-SHF-ContestRules

All contest logs should be sent, to arrive within two weeks, to:
zl2wa@clear.net.nz

with Contest Log in the subject line, or by post to:

Contest Manager

Wellington VHF Group

P.O. Box 12-259

Thorndon

Wellington

FMTAG NOTES FOR HQ INFOLINE 242 - 20th NOVEMBER 2011

REPEATER/BEACON/LINK LICENCE RENEWAL

Time is running out to renew licences before the end of November, to avoid automatic licence cancellation by the MED's SMART system.

As at the close of business on Friday 18th November, NZART Headquarters had not received licence renewal fees from the following Branches:

33 Rotorua

34 South Canterbury

37 Southland

38 Taumarunui

42 Titahi Bay

60 Taupo

66 Auckland VHF

85 Mercury Bay

CARDS

Please contact FMTAG to receive a repeat of the licence reminder message:

fmtag@nzart.org.nz

Please make the discounted payment of $46 per licence to NZART HQ, to arrive on, or before, the 25th of November 2011.

Payment may be made by cheque made out to NZART.

Please attach a note: Branch <number> MED licence fee.

Payment may be made direct to the NZART Bank Account at the BNZ Upper Hutt.

The account number is 02 0772 0209760 00

Please ensure that the Payee Reference includes: Branch <number> MED licence fee.

For either method of payment, please send an email to NZART HQ and to FMTAG, advising that payment has been sent, and the method by which it was sent:

nzarthq@nzart.org.nz fmtag@nzart.org.nz

Failure to pay the licence fee to NZART will result in the MED SMART system cancelling the licence. The MED charges $408.89 for re-instating a licence lost by non-payment of the annual fee.

PROPOSALS

None this time.

FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS TO COUNCIL

These were published as Proposals in HQ Infoline 241. No adverse comments have been received.

Reefton-Buller Branch 62 has applied for a 2-metre repeater at Millerton, located at Topo50 BR21 049901. The repeater transmit frequency will be 146.750 MHz and receive frequency 146.150 MHz.

Reefton-Buller Branch 62 has applied for a 2-metre APRS digipeater at Denniston, located at Topo50 BR21 003782. The digipeater transmit and receive frequency will be 144.575 MHz.

Reefton-Buller Branch 62 has applied for a National System UHF Link Station (ULS) at Denniston, located at Topo50 BR21 003782, to link to the Murchison National System station. The ULS transmit frequency will be 439.950 MHz and receive frequency 434.950 MHz.

Reefton-Buller Branch 62 has applied for a National System Repeater at Denniston, located at Topo50 BR21 003782. The repeater transmit frequency will be 439.975 MHz and receive frequency 434.975 MHz, in accordance with the National System Frequency Plan.

Engineering investigations, in accordance with MED PIB38, confirm that the above four stations will not interfere with other stations.

COMMENTS AND APPLICATIONS

Please send your comments and suggestions on the above matters, and on any other FMTAG matters, by e-mail to: fmtag@nzart.org.nz

Applications for repeaters, beacons, digipeaters, point-to-point links, and so on, should be made on the latest version of FMTAG Form 10. The latest versions of FMTAG Form 10, and the explanatory Form 10A, are available on the NZART web site:

http://www.nzart.org.nz/fmtag/index.html

Completed forms should be sent by e-mail to fmtag@nzart.org.nz

Looking for an old amateur

My father Nelson John Winch was an active radio operator in the 1940/1950 era and I would like to include his call sign(?) in a history I am putting together. Do you have any records that can give me that detail.

Thanks

Dennis Winch

If anyone can help, please contact me here at HQ nzart.hq@clear.net.nz

Housekeeping

1.. Break-In-Closing Date Reminder: Copy for the Jan/February 2012 issue of Break-In-closes on 10 January 2012.
2.. Copy for Break-In: Copy is welcome in most electronic formats but word.doc files are preferred. Photos and other graphics should be send

as separate discrete files (*.jpg preferred); not as embedded pix in the body of the text. Please ensure that suitable descriptive captions/legends are included with your copy.
All received copy will be acknowledged to confirm receipt.
Thank you for your cooperation.
John Walker ZL3IB Editor.
3.. Break-In: Early receipt of copy is much appreciated
4.. Break-In-AREC Column: The close-of-copy date is the 5 January 2012 for articles for publication in the AREC COLUMN OF BREAK-IN. Photos, if available, to be on a separate floppy or CD (with captions), posted DIRECTLY TO US. Use the Call Book address. All other material can go to e-mail:
zl3qr@nzart.org.nz or zl3ov@nzart.org.nz
5.. The ARRL and WIA Weekly News
6.. Subscribe TO/FROM Infoline
Next NZART Official Broadcast is on SUNDAY 27th November 2011. Next HQ-Infoline e-mailed on FRIDAY 2nd December 2011. Closing date for this is Thursday 1st December.

1112. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 20th November 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-20 21:00:11 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20111120210003.160B033C93@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3852
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 20th November 2011

IRTS Committee Meeting

The next IRTS committee meeting will take place on 10th December at 11.00 in Portlaoise. Affiliated clubs are encouraged to send a representative.

ECHO Ireland

The December issue of Echo Ireland will go to print in the early days of December. With the CQWW CW contest taking place that means a deadline for ECHO Ireland is two weeks from now, that is the first few days in December. No later please. Your co-operation is gratefully appreciated.

RMS Titanic

RMS Titanic, the world's largest passenger ship at the time, sank on her maiden voyage from Southampton to New York, following a collision with an iceberg, at approximately 0245 on the morning of April 15th 1912.

1,517 people lost their lives in the tragedy.

The 100th anniversary of the sinking will be marked by several special event stations at ports associated with the ships maiden voyage.

These include Belfast, Southampton, Cherbourg, Cobh, Cape Race, VO1MCE and a maritime mobile station, VE0MGY, at the site of the sinking.

The call sign EI100T has been issued for the year 2012 and will operate in co-operation with the Cobh Titanic 100 Committee.

The main events will happen over the weekend of April 13/14th and EI100T will also be operated regularly throughout the year.

A special award will be announced before the end of December in conjunction with the other special event locations.

Enquiries and QSLs to EI4HQ QTHR.

Dundalk Amateur Radio Society EI7DAR

On Wednesday 16th November last Michael EI5GG gave a superb information talk on ATV. Michael's encyclopaedic knowledge of ATV was most certainly demonstrated combined with his unique teaching style. Among the audience were our most welcome visitors from South Dublin Radio Club (SDR), Daniel EI9FHB and Tom EI7HT. We look forward to the next talk and demonstration to follow very soon. Everyone welcome.

South Dublin Radio Club Christmas Party 2011

This year's South Dublin Radio Club Christmas Party will take place on Tuesday the 13th of December.

The venue will be the same as last year, "The Morgue," Templeogue Village from 8.00 pm until late.

Members of other clubs and visitors are as usual very welcome to this social event. Limited free food will be available for paid-up members & visitors can choose from the bar menu until 9.00 pm.

Lough Erne Radio Rally 2012

The Lough Erne Radio Rally will take place April 1st, 2012, an easy to remember date. This promises to be a very worthwhile rally to attend. Keep your diaries free for April 1st next and don't be fooled.

Longer Lasting Lithium-ion Batteries

Scientists boost battery strength with small holes.

Batteries for phones and laptops could soon recharge ten times faster and hold a charge ten times larger than current technology allows. Scientists at Northwestern University in the US have changed the materials in lithium-ion batteries to boost their abilities. One change involves poking millions of minuscule holes in the battery. Batteries built using the novel technique could be in the shops within five years, estimate the scientists.

DX News

N7OU has been very active from the South Cook Islands as E51NOU on CW during the past few weeks. His plans to travel to the North Cook Islands, which count as a separate DXCC entity, have had to be put on hold due to problems with flights between the two islands. It is hoped that by the time you hear this that fuel will again be available in the North Cook Islands to enable flights to resume and hopefully N7OU will be on the air as E51MAN from Manihiki Island. As with his earlier

operation he will use only CW and plans to be there till 6 December.

Darko E70A, who also operates as J28AA from Djibouti, has indicated that he may be active from Somalia using the call 6O0DX from 21 -30 November. Due to the general security situation in the area there is some doubt as to whether this operation will take place.

Following on from his recent visit to Guinea in West Africa with the 3XY1D team Sigi DL7DF is now headed for Kenya for a holiday until 6 December. He will reactivate his Kenyan Call 5Z4HW which he had previously used in February 2004 and February/March 2008.

A team of German amateurs will be active from Banana Island off the coast of Sierra Leone from 22 November until 4 December. They will use the callsign 9L0W and for the island chasers the IOTA reference is AF-037. QSLs go via DK2VW.

Italian and Turkish HF emergency operations complete

The IARU Region 1 website reports that the use of HF for relief operation in Italy and Turkey has finished.

The use of HF frequencies by RNRE in Italy for the flooding in the North West of their country and TRAC for the Earthquake in Van province of Turkey has finished. There is no further need to take care when operating around 3.643, 3.760MHz, 7.045-7.060 and 7.092-7.095 MHz.

Thanks to all amateurs who kept the frequencies clear for emergency traffic.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

1113. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1037

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 13th-November, through Sunday, 20th-November there were 236 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3D2/r, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C6, CE, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, CY0, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HC8, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S0, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T2, T32, T5, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TN, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VP2E, VP2M, VP2V, VP8, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZD9, ZF, ZK2, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3D2, FIJI. Yoshida, JA1NLX, will be active as 3D2YA from Yageta Island, Yasawa IOTA Group (OC-156) between March 15-21st, 2012. Activity will be

on 80-10 meters, mainly CW, possibly RTTY and SSB. QSL via his home callsign. He will QSL all QSOs via Bureau. The log will be uploaded to LoTW when he returns home. Direct QSL will be welcomed with SASE (1 IRC or 2 USDs). For more details and updates, see Yoshida's Blog page at: http://ja1nlx-aki.blogspot.com

3V, TUNISIA. SWL Ashraf "Ash", 3V4-002 (KF5EYY), will be active as 3V8SS from the "Radio Club Station of Tunisian Scouts" in Sousse, during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via LoTW or to LX1NO. Read about Ashraf on the following Web page at: http://www.qsl.net/3v4-002

60 METERS CHANGES. The U.S. Federal Communications Commission released a "REPORT AND ORDER" on November 18, 2011, with new 5 MHz rules for the Amateur Radio Service. The effective date is 30 days after publication in the Federal Register. Some of the FCC changes are to now allow Phone (Upper Sideband), RTTY, Data, and CW; with specific limitations on the use of these modes, as well as the maximum allowed power level is now 100 watts PEP (ERP) effective radiated power referenced to a dipole. The FCC has deleted a channel and added a channel. The new 60 meter channel list (for General, Advanced, or Amateur Extra Class license only) is as follows (Suppressed Carrier):
VFO Dial frequency

5330.5 kHz USB (center of channel 332.0)
5346.5 kHz USB (center of channel 348.0)
5357.0 kHz USB (center of channel 358.5) New!
5371.5 kHz USB (center of channel 373.0)
5403.5 kHz USB (center of channel 405.0)
PLEASE NOTE: The FCC deleted the channel 5366.5 USB (centerS68.0) and "replaced it" with channel 5357.0 kHz USB (centerS58.5).
For the complete FCC "REPORT AND ORDER" release, see:
http://www.fcc.gov/document/amateur-radio-service-5-mhz

6O, SOMALIA. Just a reminder that Darko, J28AA/E70A, will be active as 6O0DX from Somalia between November 21-30th. He usually operates on CW, SSB and RTTY, and on 80-10 meters. QSL via K2PF or E77E.

9L, SIERRA LEONE. Remember to look for operators Karl/DK2WV, Jan/DJ8NK, Andy/DL5CW, Andreas/DL9USA and Heye/DJ9RR to be active as 9L0W from Banana Island (AF-037) between November 22nd and December 4th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. The suggested frequencies were listed in OPDX.1031. Their operations will also include participation in the CQWW DX CW Contest. QSL via DK2WV. For more details and update, visit: http://www.mdxc.org/9l0w

AH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Members of the Saipan BBQ Contest Club will be active as AH0BT during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via 7L1FPU, by the Bureau or direct (w/SAE and 2 USDs) to: Kuniyoshi NAKADA, PMR9292, 3-23-3, Minami-Oi, Shinagawa-ku, Tokyo, 140-0013, JAPAN.

AU2, INDIA (Special Event). Look for special event station AU2JCB to be active between November 19th and December 4th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters SSB, SSTV and PSK. Suggested frequencies are (depending on the propagation): 28550, 28470, 24950, 21350, 21280, 14220, 14310, 7135 and 7030 kHz. The operator will be Surabhi, VU2DSI. QSL direct (with 2 IRCs) to VU2DSI. Operations are to celebrate the 153rd anniversary of the birth (November 30th) of Sir Jagadeesh Chandra Bose, India's great scientist and inventor, who they consider the "Father of Wireless Communication". For more details, see the following Web page at: http://www.qsl.net/vu2msy/JCBOSE.htm

C5, THE GAMBIA. By the time you read this, the Czech-Slovak team (with 12 operators) should once again be active as C50C between November 20-28th. Activity will be on the HF bands 160-10 meters (no 30/17/12m). Their main goal is to participate in the CQWW DX CW Contests (November 26-27th) under the callsign C5A. QSL via Brani, OM2FY. There are also some changes in the contest crew. New team members Jano/OM2IB, Vitek/OK5MM and Zdenek/OK1DSZ will replace OK1DIX, OK1DO and OK1RK who couldn't take part in the CW contest for various reasons. The complete details can be found at: http://www.om0c.com

C6, BAHAMAS. Brian, ND3F, will once again be active as C6AQQ from Nassau (FL16 - Junkanoo Beach), Providence Island (NA-001) between November 24th and December 6th. Activity will be mostly on the lower bands, but he will also be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via his home callsign, direct preferred or LoTW, by the Bureau (long wait).

CR3/CT9, MADEIRA ISLANDS. Operators Ulrich/DJ2YA, Walter/DJ6QT, Suad/DK6XZ, Ulf/DL5AXX, Frank/DL8WAA, Falk/DK7YY, Arunas/LY2IJ, Saulius/LY5W and Kaspars/YL1ZF will be active as CR3L during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via DJ6QT. Operators will probably be active as CT9/homecall before and after the contest.

E21, THAILAND. Champ, E21EIC, will be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/ALL-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via LoTW. JA stations QSL via JR5XPG and all others via E21EIC. Visit Champ's Web page at: http://www.e21eic.net

E35, ERITREA (Update/Rumors). Erling, LA6VM, informs OPDX of the following E35X information being passed around: "It has come to my attention that rumors are going that I am planning an expedition to Eritrea using the call-sign E35X. These rumors have no basis in any real situation. The E35X call-sign was issued to the LA5X; Ham Forum group, headed by me, and used in June 1994 just a week after their declared independence. This was the first amateur radio activity licensed by the Eritrean authorities. A possible cause for the rumor may be that I am working on updating the QRZ.com profile for LA6VM, to include my recent A52VM activity, and to include all my previous expedition callsigns. At the same time, I have updated the profile to include responsibility for our E35X expedition, as the former QSL Manager, Ruth, LA6ZH, and her husband Thor, passed away sometime ago. As far as I am informed, the current political situation that Eritrea is in makes it unlikely that any permission for amateur radio

activity will be granted in the near future. We can only hope that this situation will be eased; firstly for the benefit of the Eritrean people. In an eased situation, I would guess that permissions for operation amateur radio in Eritrea will be granted.....
Oslo, 14th November 2011, Erling, LA6VM"

E5, NORTH COOK ISLANDS (Update). Bill, N7OU, is now active as E51MAN from Manihiki, North Cook Islands, possibly until December 6th. Activity apparently started on November 17th. Remember, activity will be on 160-10 meters, CW only, 500w to verticals, with his focus on Europe. QSL via N7OU.

E7, BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA. Operators Chris/9A5K, Mark/9A8A, Ranko/E70R, Vlado/E70T, Fuad/E73CQ, Radomir/E74IW, Zoran/E76C, Braco/E77DX, Rob/E77E and Chea/YU1EA will be active as E7DX during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via E77E.

EL, LIBERIA. Remember to look for the VooDoo Contest Group to be active from here beginning November 21st. This is their 23rd straight year, but this time it will from a location just South of Monrovia, the capital of Liberia. Their main goal is to be an entry in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Multi-Multi category using the callsign EL2A. Outside of the contest, the following mentioned operators will use their own personal callsigns: Ned/AA7A (EL2NS), Roger/G3SXW (EL2A), Fred/G4BWP (EL2WP), Mike/KC7V (EL2MF), Lee/KY7M (EL2LF) and Bud/N7CW (EL2CW). QSL via their home callsign. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW.

F8, FRANCE. Operators Maurice/F5NQL, Maurice/F5IYU and possibly others will activate the Union Francaise des Telegraphistes (UFT) callsign F8UFT from Zone 14 (JN17RR) during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Multi-Single entry. All QSOs will be confirmed by the Bureau. Those who want direct cards, QSL via Gerard, F6ICG (QRZ.com). The final log will be upload on LoTW after submitting to the contest checker.

FY, FRENCH GUIANA. Operator Didier, FY5FY, will be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (??)/Low-Power entry. QSL via FY5FY.

GRID ACTIVITY (Wet). Yuri, UT1FG, will once again be traveling across the Atlantic Ocean and will be active from some "Wet grids" as UT1FG/MM between November 25th, through the end of May 2012. First trip will be from the Panama Cannal to Huelva, Spain (EA7), and then to Brunsbuttel, Germany (From there, he will inform us later). Yuri is reportedly a crew member on the ship, so activity will be during his free time. Operations are expected on all amateur radio bands, 160-2 meters, 70 cm, and also including the satellite. His activities will be mainly through the satellite, but also look for him on the HF bands. He will also be active on 6 meters, conditions permitting. QSL via his home callsign, direct (see QRZ.com), by the Bureau or to his QSL Manager UX0FY.

GU, GUERNSEY. Dick, GU4CHY, will be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (15m) entry. QSL via his

home callsign, direct (preferred) or by the Bureau (long QRX).

IOTA NEWS.............
AS-018. Operators Yuri/RA0FU, Vlad/RC0F and Igor/RU0FM will be active as RU0FM from Sakhalin Island during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via LoTW. QSOs will be promptly uploaded to LoTW.

AS-191. (Update to OPDX.1033/1034) NEW IOTA! The 7Z7AA DXpedition from Jabal Al Lith, Saudi Arabia, is now active between now and November 25th. This is a rare IOTA. Activity will be on 160/40/20/17/15/12/10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Watch the IOTA frequencies. Operators mentioned are Abdul/7Z1CQ (team leader), Al/7Z1AQ, Suli/7Z1SJ, Ali/HZ1BT, Abdul/HZ1BW, Abdul/HZ1DG, Daher/HZ1DS, Hani/HZ1HN, Mohamad/HZ1MD and Nhaw/HZ1TL. QSL via 7Z1CQ. The 7Z7AA Web page is available at: http://www.dxcoffee.com/7z7aa

EU-017. Staff members of "DxCoffee" will be active as ID9DXC from the Aeolian group activating some rare or semi-rare rocks and islands valid for the I.I.A. (Italian Island Award). The activity will be spread out starting from the end of 2011 throughout the entire year of 2012. It will begin November 18th, from the Island of Panarea, Italian Island Award ME-006, World Lighthouse on the Air WLOTA LH-2210 (if weather conditions permit). A special card will be printed for each reference the team activates. QSL via Antonello Scauso, IT9YVO, direct or by the Bureau. If you want to follow the activities of ID9DXC, stay updated by visiting their Web site at: http://www.dxcoffee.com/id9dxc
Also following on Twitter at: @dxcoffee

EU-092. Jim, MM0BQI, will be active as MM0BQI/p from Tanera Mor (IOSA SC10, SCOTIA CN32), Summer Isles, between July 26-30th, 2012. Activity will include an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) using his contest callsign GM1J. QSL both callsigns via MM0BQI, direct, by the Bureau and LoTW.

EU-108. Jim, MM0BQI, will be active as GB5TI from Lunga Island (IOSA NH17, SCOTIA DI09, WAB NH17), Treshnish Isles, Inner Hebrides, between April 27th and May 1st, 2012. Activity will be on the HF bands, on or near the usual island and IOTA frequencies. QSL via LoTW, direct or by E-mail Bureau requests.

EU-112. Jim, MM0BQI, will be active as MM0BQI/p from the Shiant Islands (IOSA OH18, SCOTIA DI32), Outer Hebrides, between July 14-22nd, 2012. Jim reports that he has confirmed with the island owners and has permission to stay for the week. Final details will be worked out over the winter. Stay tuned for more details. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. Log will be uploaded to LoTW.

EU-125. Rico, DO6EBB, will be active as OZ/DO6EBB from Fano Island
(DIA NS-002) between June 17-30th, 2012. Activity will be on
the HF bands, propagation permitting. QSL via his home callsign,
direct or by eQSL.

EU-189. Operators George/EA2TA, Christian/EA3NT, Simon/IZ7ATN and Col/
MM0NDX are planning to activate Rockall Rock (WLOTA 1694) as
MS0INT between June 1-3rd, 2013 (Dates could change). The
DXpedition is subject to sea and weather conditions. QSL via
M0URX. For updates, check the Web site at: http://eu189.com

OC-033. Sam, FK8DD, will be active as TX8NC from Lifou Island during
the CQWW DX CW Contest between 0000-2200z, on November 27th.
QSL via LZ1JZ.

SA-095. Just a reminder that Cezar/VE3LYC and Dino/CE3PG are expected
to activate Pupuya Island between November 20-23rd (dates may
change in case of bad weather conditions), using the callsign
CE4A. Activity will be on 40/30/20/17 meters using CW and SSB.
QSL via VE3LYC, PLEASE see the Web page for details. For
updates, watch the DXpedition's Web at: http://ce4a.yolasite.com
LAST MINUTE UPDATE FROM CEZAR (Nov. 20th): "Weather looks good,
not a lot of wind, and it is expected even better tomorrow
morning, when we will attempt landing. If everything goes well,
I hope to be on the air by no later than 18 UTC."

JD1, OGASAWARA. Yoshi, JG4IQC, will be active as JG4IQC/JD1 from Ogasawara
(AS-031) between November 23-25th. Activity will be limited to his spare
time because of work, but look for him on 20-10 meters CW. QSL via his
home callsign.

JD1, OGASAWARA. Hiroyuki "Harry", JG7PSJ, will once again be active
as JD1BMH from Chichijima Island (AS-031) between December 30th and
January 7th (2012). Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB
and RTTY. QSL via the Bureau to JD1BMH or direct to JG7PSJ. Visit his
Web page for more details at: http://sapphire.es.tohoku.ac.jp/jd1bmh

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (November 21-27th)....
Nov/21st AN Nov/24th HN Nov/26th HN-AN
Nov/22nd LN-BN Nov/25th HN Nov/27th AN
Nov/23rd AN

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AN - Above Normal Quiet K�1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K� 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K� 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K� 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K� 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K�9 100-400

LOTW PROCESSING IMPROVING. The ARRL Letter is reporting this week:
"Logbook of The World (LoTW) is continuing to accept and process logs.
As of November 17th, the processing delay stands at 52 hours. There
are approximately 1.38 million QSOs in 5886 logs waiting to be processed.
If you have already uploaded a log, there is no need to upload it again;
by doing so, you will only add to the queue. Do not send entire logs that
contain previously uploaded QSOs; please use the date range option when
signing logs, selecting only those QSOs in a specific date range to
upload to LoTW. Following these guidelines will allow LoTW to process
the backlog at a faster pace. The ARRL IT staff continues to investigate
an anomalous series of events that began on October 29th, initially
creating the persisting backlog. The IT staff is also working diligently
to speed up the LoTW processing time and eliminate the backlog. Thanks
again for your patience."

LX, LUXEMBOURG. A team of operators will be active as LX7I during the
CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via
LX2A. Also, visit the following Web page at: http://www.lx2a.com

MJ0, JERSEY. Mat, F5SHQ, will be active as MJ0ASP during the CQWW DX CW
Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (15m) entry. QSL
via LoTW.

OFFICERS FOR 2012. Members of the North Jersey DX Association (which also
encompasses the 2nd district incoming QSL bureau) have recently elected
the following officers for 2012:
President : John Weber, WA2C
Vice-President: Peter Dougherty, W2IRT
Treasurer : Gene Ingraham, N2BIM
Secretary : Ryan Jairam, N2RJ
Visit their Web site at: http://www.njdxa.org

PETE'S-DX-NEWSDESK GOING QRT! It was announced on Thursday by Pete Rayer,
ISWL Life Vice President, and administrator of the mailing list called
"Pete's-DX-Newsdesk" (which had subscribers in 39 countries) would be
closing down (deleting) the Yahoogroup. The reason given is that Ray
has recently been rushed into the hospital and has had several tests
and surgical procedures. He is now home as of Wednesday. He is scheduled
for more surgery in December and possibly in the spring. Ray states that
he is sorry for the loss of news and has "tried to reply to all the well
wishers in due course and to those, who sent adverse comments because of
the loss of service, ...well now the whole service is closing down. If
you are one of the above, please visit <www.pgr1.co.uk> then scroll down
and see Jack's message." OPDX and its readers would like to wish Ray the
best and a speedy recovery. His source of DX input will be surely missed.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated November 20th)

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3V/UT6UA via UT6UA FM1HN via NI5DX PJ2/N0YY via W3HNK
5R8IC via F6ICX HI8/XE1KK via XE1KK and LoTW RA/DL5EBE via DL5EBE

7P8CC via EI7CC J79KT via JN1NDY TL8ES via IK3GES
7Z7AA via 7Z1CQ J79WTA via HB9MFM TM90CRNF via F8KKH
A61E via EB7DX LZ1685PDB via LZ1KZA V84SEA via V85TL
C91NW via K9NW M/SP7DPJ/M via SP7DPJ V85/AH2Y via HL1IWD
CE2/VE7SV via VE7WY OM37TATRY via OM-Bureau VP2MOR via W0OR
EO12WFS via UR5WA PA25OSK via PI4WAL VQ91JC via ND9M
Z24EA via DL4EA

Fred, IK7JWX, reports that all the QSLs for the recent 5C2J operation (AF-068 and CNFF-007) between September 23-28th, which were received direct will be sent out this week. PLEASE NOTE: All QSOs with 5C2P on September 21-22nd, are not valid for AF-068 because operations were from the HQ of ARRAM in RABAT (CN8MC). These QSOs were uploaded to LoTW.

QSL STATUS TM5SM. Denis, F5RJM, reports that all the direct QSL card requests received as of November 15th, for the recent TM5SM activity from EU-081 have been mailed on November 16th.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 2M0YIO, 4C1JPG, 4O3A, 5N7Q, 6V7F, 7Q7GM, 8Q7EJ, 9H3TA, 9J2RI, 9M2ZAK, 9M6XRO, 6Y5/K1XM, AA4V/VP9, BD7LMD, C6AGU, CE2/VE7SV, CN8KD, CT1DKS, CU3AC, DF5AN, DJ6YX, DK1MAX, DL3KOG, DL5ZB, E51NYV, EB1LA, ES5JR, F4FDA, F4FGC, FJ/OH2YL, FP/KV1E, G0WRE, G3NPA, G4NXG/M, GM0GAV, GM4AM, GW0ETF, HI3TEJ, HS0ZJU, IF9/IK2ANI, IZ2AMW, JA1BPA, JA1CQK, JA1WPX, JA3FYC, JA8ZO, JE4URN, JE7JDL, JH7VHZ, JJ2LPV, JN4MIV, JR1NHD, KH6MB, LA5AKA, LA6XAA, LA6YEA, LW5HR, LX1KC, LY1G, MU0GSY, OE2LCM, OK1ASG, OK1CDF, OL1C, OM3TWM, ON4AXU, ON4CD, PE1CIM, PI4DX, PJ4/W9NJY, PJ4T, PJ7NK, PJ7X, PP5/OE9APV, R7NA, RA3CQ, RG5A, S58MU, SM4EMO, SP2GUV, SP7LFT, SP9ODY, SP9YFF/P, ST0R, SV1GYG, TI9KK, TX3T, TX7M, UA2FX, UA3AP, UA3QNS, UA4CR, UA9LP, UR5FEL, UU2JQ, UU7JM, UW2ZM, UY5AA, VA3MJR, VA7XX, VE7IEF, VP2MSC, VY2RU, XE1/VE7SV, YJ0VK, YT1VP, YV5ESN, YV5MSG, ZD8F, ZF2LC, ZK2V, ZK2X, ZL6RWC, ZS2EZ, ZS2Y and ZS6EV

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 8Q7QX, AA4V/VP9, C31MO, FK8DD, H77REX, IT9EJW/p, K0AP/5, OJ0UR, PJ5/SP6EQZ, RU3ZX, S59N, ST0R, TZ6TR, YJ0ANR and YL2AG

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 1A0KM, 3A/IK4RQJ, 5C2J, 5D0IPY, 6W/IK4ALM, 7Q7RB, A60SAB, A61AB, A61AN, D44TBE, DG4IAN, DH2KO, DJ5BV, DK9WI, DL4IAL, DL5HBD, HZ1PS, HZ1SK, JA1CLW, JA2GSD, JA3EOP, JE2PMG, JH1EEB, JI4POR, JT1NOC, OE6MDF, OK1ABP, OK1JIR, OK1MJH, OK1NZJ, T70A, UA1ARD, YI1RZ YO2MFZ and ZA0/IK7JWX

RADIO ARCALA TEAM GOING FOR CQWW CW BOOTS ON! A press release from Jarmo, OH2BN, dated November 17th, states (edited): "For the past several years, the discussion about operating 48 hours nonstop has prompted many initiatives of doing so. Radio Arcala's team doctor, Ville, OH2MM, has specialized in food consumption prior to and during the contest. Several lectures were given on this vital aspect of contesting.
As CQWW SSB worked out fine with a new claimed overall SOAB European record (CR2X by OH2UA), approaching 10,000 QSOs, and a Finnish record (OH8X by OH6KZP), it was discovered that several team members struggled to stay afloat for the entire 48 hours. Some came close to a knockout.

CQWW CW will now be used semi-scientifically to record those ups and downs and to seek ways of hanging on and avoiding a meltdown.

OH8X, Northern Finland - Radio Arcala, OH8X, has invited Toivo, ES2RR, a 2010 WRTC medallist, to drive their contest machine for 48 hours nonstop, seriously, boots on.

CR2X, Azores - Toni, OH2UA, is due for some unexpected undertakings at CR2X, but also determined to balance the effort needed to stay in the ring for 48 hours.

OH0X, Aland Islands - Radio Arcala's new associated station, OH0X, will be operated by Pekka, OH2TA, and he is ready to do 48 hours for the first time, with some reservations and doubts.

TC2X, Asiatic Turkey - Another new associated station, TC2X manned by Pertti, OH2PM, will try to offer Turkey (Asiatic) with maximum efficiency, with a modest setup but now with boots on, in a 48-hour effort.

OH2BH, Southern Finland - Will be piloted by Pasi, OH2IW, who has been sleeping for the past weeks so as not to need any nap time when the race starts. Can one sleep in advance? Maybe to some extent, with no boots.

9H9BH, Republic of Malta - For his 50th straight year in CQWW, Martti, OH2BH, will be watching the bedlam poolside, maybe not boots on, but dipping his toe in deep water to provide a semi-rare multi.

Why boots on? There's an old Finnish wisdom which holds that going to sleep boots on may cause headache and mental disorder in the morning. More Finnish wisdoms after CQWW CW. Until then, good luck in contacting Radio Arcala's boots-on team.
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73 Jarmo OH2BN"

ST, SUDAN. Robert, S53R, will be active as ST2AR from Khartoum during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power/ Unassisted entry. QSL via S53R.

SU, EGYPT (Update). Gab, HA3JB, will once again be active as SU/HA3JB from Cairo between November 20-29th; his renewed license is valid until November 30th. Activity will be on on CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK31 and SSTV. He will also be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/ Single-Band (??) entry. QSOs are valid for the HA-IPARC Award. QSL via HA3JB, direct (w/SAE) to: Gabor Kutasi / H-8601 Si�fok, P.O.Box 243, Hungary. If you are IPA member please write/add your E-mail address.

SX100, GREECE (Special Event). Members of the Radio Amateur Association of Greece (RAAG) will activate the special event callsign "SX100A" between 0000z Friday, December 2nd and 2400z Sunday, December 4th. Activity is to celebrate the 100th anniversary in which the historic battleship the "Georgios Averof" joined the "Hellenic Navy". The operation will take

place from the radio room of the "Georgios Averof". QSL via the Bureau.
For more information, see: http://www.qrz.com/db/SX100A

T32, EASTERN KIRIBATI. Six operators from the U.S. and Canada will be active from Kiritimati Island (OC-024) between January 17th and February 2nd. The group will be active from the same location that the recent T32C group operated from. The group is planning to operate during the CQWW 160m CW Contest (January 27-29th) as a Multi-Op entry and use the callsign T32XX. QSL via KB8TXZ. Outside of the contest, the operators will be active on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK, using the following callsigns:
T32AU - Operator Dave/VO1AU; QSL via VO1MX
T32CO - Operator Brian/KG8CO; QSL via KB8TXZ
T32LJ - Operator Lee/N8LJ; QSL via K8ESQ
T32TR - Operator Ted/K8AQM; QSL via KB8TXZ
T32TX - Operator Jim/KB8TXZ; QSL via KB8TXZ
T32WW - Operator Stan/AC8W; QSL via KB8TXZ
Look for the callsigns T32WW and T32CO to be operating on both RTTY and PSK.

T6, AFGHANISTAN. Eric, K9GY, will be active as T6MO from the Helmand Province (Grid MM21) during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. Activity will be on 40/20/15/10 meters only using 100 watts into a OCF dipole at 30 feet. QSL via K8GY.

TC3, TURKEY. Members of the "LZ Contest Group" will activate Asiatic Turkey during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as TC3A and as a Multi-2 entry. Operators mentioned are Nikolay/LZ1NK, Krasi/LZ2UW, Christo/LZ3FN, Aleko/LZ3ZZ, Bedri/LZ4RR and Vesselin/LZ5VK. Activity outside of the contest will be on the HF bands, 160-10 meters, using CW and SSB. QSL TC3A via LZ1NK. For skeds before the contest, contact: lz1nk@yahoo.com

TL, CENTRAL AFRICA. Elvira, IV3FSG, will be active as TL8ES from M'Baiki very soon. Activity will be on SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via IK3GES.

TX5, CLIPPERTON ISLAND. Another DXpedition to Clipperton Island is planned by the Cordell Expeditions for March next year. The Cordell Expedition are known for the following DXpeditions: 3Y0PI, XR0Y/Z, VK0IR, XR0X, K7C, etc... The current list of radio operators are Bob/KK6EK (Co-organizer), John/N7CQQ (Co-organizer), Alan/AD6E, Peter/W6OP and Dean/N7XG. The operators will be part of the "Clipperton Project" which has invited a group of 20 artists and scientists from 9 different countries. Activity is expected to take place between March 10-15th, 2012. They will use the callsign TX5Q. The team will also deploy and use the innovative satellite-internet system ("DXA" Ver. 2) for real-time display of the expedition activities. In addition to the radio operations, the team will carry out a variety of other activities in support of the ecosystem and public awareness of Clipperton. The entire "Clipperton Project" is described at:
http://www.theclippertonproject.com
Details about the TX5Q DXpedition are available at:
http://www.cordell.org/CI

The team is currently looking for a doctor. QSL will be via N7CQQ. Look for more details to be forthcoming.

VP9, BERMUDA. Alan, N3AD, will be active as VP9/N3AD from Bermuda (NA-005) between November 22-28th. Activity will include the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. QSL via W3HNK.

VQ9, CHAGOS ISLANDS. Jim, ND9M/VQ9JC, informs OPDX that he is back on Diego Garcia (AF-006) after 10 months off the island and is expected to be active at least until March 1st, 2012. He states, "The local licensing office renewed my regular license for two years and was also kind enough to issue me another short-term special prefix callsign (VQ91JC [numerals nine one]) to use between November 19th and December 4th. In fact, the signed licenses were handed to me less than 90 minutes after I made my request! I'll be on during the upcoming CQWW DX CW Contest as VQ91JC as an All-Band/Low-Power entry." It seems that Jim is the only operator on the island at this time. He mentions, "Larry, VQ9LA, and I left the island within 48 hours of each other in January. Unfortunately, Larry is not returning, and the only other regular operator, VQ9ZZ, has also left for good." While Jim was away from the island, the club station on the island has developed some major issues. He states, "Visitors over the last few months disconnected a number of coax and other cables without labeling them first, so I'm doing a lot of cable tracing (and labeling!). Much of the cabling work that VQ9LA did over the years has been removed for no apparent reason. The finals in both amps (Alpha 99 and AL80B) have failed, so I'll be running barefoot for the foreseeable future. The amps are owned by the Navy, but the Navy hasn't provided any equipment repair support for several years, and I'll have to buy the replacement finals out of pocket, but that won't happen for several months. Also, the log periodic (10-30 MHz) works well, but the rotator binds around 20 degrees when turning clockwise (from north towards east). There is an apparent issue with strain on the coax caused by turning the rotator and maybe even the connection at the top of the 30-meter tower; the SWR skyrockets when the rotator is turned beyond 20 degrees as it moves to the east. Fortunately, the problem corrects itself when returning the antenna to the north or further west which makes me think the cable may have become jammed beneath the rotator. For now, the antenna will be left facing northwest rather than risk causing permanent damage until I can get up there. This heading favors the path to Europe and the Americas, but obviously hurts the paths to JA and VK/ZL to the east as well as Long Path to NA to the south, but it can't be helped at this point. The single remaining HF rig is an IC-760 which has a lot of years and miles on it, but its performance is still adequate. (There's an FT-920 that is barely good enough for QRP on a couple bands.) I brought an FT-857 from home which I'm using to work the LEO satellites. It will also serve as a back up for HF should the IC-760 come into hard times. I'll be putting up a 5-element 6m beam. That antenna won't be on the tower, but should still be high enough to take advantage of the openings that have finally started appearing. I'll use the FT-857 for working 6m as well as the satellites. My usual QRV hours are 1200-1630z on most days. Finally, there is no air conditioning in the shack, so I leave both the front and back doors open to get a little natural air flow. The geckos that live in the shack love

it because they don't have to go hunting for bugs any more; the bugs come to them!"

XW, LAOS. Alex, RK3DT, is once again active as XW3DT from Laos. His license is only good for three bands - 40/30/20 meters. He has been on CW and SSB. Alex mentioned that his license cost him 6,000 USDs. When OPDX asked Alex how long he will be there, he stated, "I will stay until beer money dries out..." He suggests to send a QSL card to the following address before December 3rd, 2011: Alex Sinchukov, P.O. BOX 11, Lamma Island, Hong Kong.

XY, MYANMAR (Possible PSK Activity). In a E-mail (received on November 18th) from Simon, HS0ZIB/G6JFY, he informs OPDX that his QTH in Thailand is only a few hours drive to Myanmar, and he has regularly visited the country. His hotel/guesthouse businesses have enabled him to obtain initial contact with the Myanmar Ministry of Tourism and via that route, he has been in discussions with authorities from the Myanmar Ministry of Post & Telecommunications and the Ministry of Tourism, for almost a year about an initial, "demonstration" DXpedition. Simon mentions, "The recent political changes in Myanmar have increased the possibility of operating an amateur radio station from Myanmar. My own position enables me to operate on a regular basis, if this were allowed."
He adds, "No 'high profile' expedition will currently be considered by the authorities, (meaning no large teams, no high power, no large antennas..etc). The use of simple equipment is a major reason why PSK or other digital modes was proposed by me. PSK31, although a little slow for handling multiple QSOs, does have the advantage of allowing split operation by using the panoramic display of the application software. So although I will be using simple equipment, I will be able to 'watch' say a 1 kHz window above my operating frequency."
Simon states, "I am waiting on the return of the Minister from a trip to Indonesia before I learn whether or not my proposals have been accepted. In any case, even if they are declined, I and my contacts in Myanmar are fairly confident that I will obtain permission in the near future. Once my trip is definitely going ahead, I will set up a dedicated web-site with news of my expedition. Donations to assist me will be invited, but due to my close proximity to Myanmar and the use of existing equipments, the total cost for this expedition is not too high. I appreciate your patience and hope that this will be the first of regular DXpeditions to Myanmar." Stay tuned for updates.

ZK2, NIUE. Chris, GM3WOJ, who has been active as ZK2V, now reports that he has received special permission to operate on the 60m band. The permit is good to transmit on 5403.5 kHz between December 1-7th (Niue local time, which equates to 1100z, December 1st, until 1100z on December 8th). He states, "I am intending to install a more 'DX' antenna than the Inverted-Vee I had in 2009, so hoping for some further DX." He also mentions, "3.5 MHz and 7 MHz are very noisy here on the island, so I am hoping that QRN will not be a problem." Chris will be active as ZK2V until December 20th. The QSL Manager for ZK2V and ZK2X is N3SL. All ZK2V and ZK2X QSOs will be uploaded to the ARRL's LoTW - daily if possible.

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new
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1114. Welcome to rec.radio.info!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-22 07:00:04 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/rec-radio-info/welcome-1-1321945202@panix.com>
Source record: 3854
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.info,rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.answers,news.answers

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/rec-radio-info/welcome
Revision: 1.4 2008/02/09 19:36:10
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

*** Welcome to rec.radio.info! ***

Welcome to rec.radio.info, a group that aims to provide a noise-free
source of information and news for the entire rec.radio hierarchy.

Two introductory articles about rec.radio.info are posted to the group
every month. You are now reading the first article, which explains what
rec.radio.info is, and answers some Frequently Asked Questions. The
second article is titled Posting Guidelines, and you only need to read
it if you want to submit an article to rec.radio.info.

You can skip to the next section of this article by searching for the
next
" -- " string. The sections available are:
- What is the purpose of rec.radio.info?
- Why are messages almost always cross posted to rec.radio.info?
- What is a 'follow-up', and what does 'moderated' mean?
- OK, so now I know what 'moderated' means. Tell me more.
- What type of material is considered inappropriate?
- I do not have access to news, how can I get the information posted to
rec.radio.info?
- Will the material appearing in rec.radio.info be archived somewhere?
- I have a regular posting with timely information, is there a way to
speed up it's delivery, or automate for more convenience?

-- What is the purpose of rec.radio.info?

The purpose or charter of rec.radio.info is to provide the Usenet
community with a resource for information, news, and facts about any and
all things radio.

All the other rec.radio groups are intended for discussions and general
chit chat about radio. Rec.radio.info will contain informational,
factual articles only. Follow-ups are redirected to an appropriate other
group, and further discussion (if any) will not take place in
rec.radio.info.
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In order to ensure that rec.radio.info contains only appropriate articles, it was decided to create the group as a moderated newsgroup.

-- Why are messages almost always cross posted to rec.radio.info?

It provides a "tag" for each article to be assembled into a filtered presentation in rec.radio.info (even with cross-posting, only one message, with a unique Message-ID, is propagated across the net). This tag also facilitates a pre-existing method of dropping or canceling the articles locally within the discussion groups if you don't want to see them. This accommodates individuals who want to separate the bulletins from the discussions, discussions from the bulletins, as well as those who are adamant about not reading another newsgroup and wanted to see everything all in one basket.

With the total size of Usenet (in number of newsgroups and total traffic) doubling every year or so, this is no insignificant contribution to reducing information noise and chaos. Making the discussion groups a catch-all, and making extra newsgroups filters on that catch-all, is also the most realistic way to implement such a scheme (It's not intuitively obvious what the charter, contents, and general appropriate topics for each and every newsgroup are. Seeing FAQ's and charter/intro postings in the home newsgroup is beneficial for new readers).

By cross-posting one only is adding a few tens of bytes to each bulletin (to specify the extra group on the Newsgroups line), but are adding the capability for very powerful filtering features available on most news servers, listservers and readers. Your local news guru could probably explain these features in more detail.

In rn, for example, according to Leanne Phillips in her rn kill-file FAQ, add a line of the form:

/Newsgroups:.*[,]rec\.radio\.info/h:j

either in ~/News/KILL (if you don't want to see rec.radio.info articles anywhere) or ~/News/rec/radio/amateur/misc/KILL (if you don't want to see them just in rec.radio.amateur.misc). The latter method means your kill file will only be consulted during rec.radio.amateur.misc (and hence runs more efficiently), and will probably work for most people.

In nn, according to Bill Wohler in his nn FAQ, add a line of the form:

rec.radio.info:!s/:^

in ~/.nn/kill (if you don't want to see rec.radio.info articles anywhere), or put the following lines:

sequence
rec.radio.info
rec.radio.

at the end of ~/.nn/init in order to see all the rec.radio.info bulletins first, then read the remaining rec.radio.* without the

bulletins.

In slrn, according to the srln FAQ, the following scoring rule will | allow you to see rec.radio.info-crossposted bulletins, while still | filtering out most SPAM or "Velveeta" crossposted to more than 2 | newsgroups (as such articles usually do not contain a 'Followup-To:' | header): |

Score: -9999 |
Newsgroups: ,.*, |
~Followup-To: . |

More information about kill files may be obtained from Dave Fawthrop's Killfile FAQ at:

http://www.hyphenologist.co.uk/killfile/

-- What is a 'follow-up', and what does 'moderated' mean?

If you are new to Usenet and are not familiar with the terminology, you might want to read the general introductory articles found in the newsgroup news.announce.newusers. Doing so will make your life on the net much easier, and will probably save you from making silly beginner's mistakes.

If you think that at this moment you are reading an echo, a conference, or a bulletin board, I'd also strongly suggest a trip over to news.announce.newusers.

For the rest of this article, we will assume you have a basic knowledge of Usenet terminology and mechanics.

A moderated group means that any article that needs to be posted to the group has to be accepted by the moderator of the group. Since we need to ensure that followups to an article (discussion) do not show up in the rec.radio.info newsgroup, the `Followup-To:' header line contains a newsgroup that is appropriate for discussions about the specific article.

-- OK, so now I know what 'moderated' means. Tell me more.

Rec.radio.info is a moderated newsgroup, which means that all articles submitted to the group will have to be approved by the moderator first.

The current moderator of the group is the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team. Submissions to rec.radio.info can be posted, or e-mailed to:

rec-radio-info@panix.com

Comments, criticisms, suggestions or questions about the group can be e-mailed to:

rec-radio-info-request@panix.com

But before you do so, please be sure to check out the "Posting Guidelines" article.

The influence of the moderator should be minimal and of an administrative nature, consisting chiefly of weeding out obviously inappropriate articles, while making sure correct headers etc. are used for the appropriate ones.

-- What type of material is considered inappropriate?

There are three broad categories of articles which will be rejected by the moderator:

1) Requests for information: rec.radio.info is strictly a one-way street. We receive information in our mailbox; we then post it to rec.radio.info. Requests for specific information belong in the normal discussion newsgroups. If your request gets answered, you might consider passing the answer on to rec.radio.info, though. Especially if you can edit it into a informational, rather than a discussion, format.

2) Obvious discussion articles, or articles that appear unsubstantiated.

3) Commercial stuff: a relatively unbiased test of a radio product would be accepted, but any hint of for-profit might be reason for rejection. For three reasons: This is not the purpose of the list, for-profit is a controversial topic, and this list may be passed onto Amateur Packet Radio (where for-profit is prohibited except under certain provisos).

rec.radio.swap may be more deserving of the posting in any matter.

Similarly, copyrighted material generally cannot be used. If it's TRULY worthwhile to the net, We would recommend obtaining permission from the copyright holder. Please note the source, and if permission was given. We reserve the right to make the final decision concerning appropriateness in all situations. In most cases, a brief summary of, or pointer to, the copyrighted information may be all we can allow.

-- I do not have access to news, how can I get the information posted to rec.radio.info?

Google has an excellent web interface to Usenet newsgroups. It is available at:

http://groups.google.com

It supports both reading and posting.

Another excellent web interface to at least the radio-related Usenet newsgroups is the RadioBanter site:

http://www.radiobanter.com

sponsored by the NewsgroupBanter project:

http://www.newsgroupbanter.com

It, too, supports both reading and posting.

-- Will the material appearing in rec.radio.info be archived somewhere?

Yes. See Google Groups and RadioBanter above.

Effectively this means that anything you post to rec.radio.info will be permanently stored, so your work will not be lost.

-- I have a regular posting with timely information, is there a way to speed up it's delivery, or automate for more convenience?

Yes, there is! It may take a bit of chatter with the moderator, but we are willing to take responsible people and provide them the means of posting the articles directly from their site. We will try everything we can as we fully realize that DX (distant signal) and astronomical data can be somewhat transitory. We are also willing to allow regular posters of information the same courtesy, even if the information is not as time critical.

We refer to this as self-moderation, which is partly based on the model for rec.answers/news.answers. This requires co-operation and goodwill to be beneficial to the community in the rec.radio hierarchy.

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms about this article to rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

(Adapted, with permission, from the original article written by Mark Salyzyn, AG4YD, ex-VE6MGS.)

1115. rec.radio.info Posting Guidelines

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-22 07:05:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/rec-radio-info/guidelines-1-1321945500@panix.com>
Source record: 3855
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.info,rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.answers,news.answers

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*** rec.radio.info - Posting Guidelines and Etiquette ***

Two introductory articles about rec.radio.info are posted to this group
and to rec.answers/news.answers every month. You are now reading the
second article, which explains how to submit something to
rec.radio.info, and which answers some Frequently Asked Questions about
the submission process. The first article is titled "Welcome to
rec.radio.info", and it might be a good idea to check it out as well.

-- How do I submit something to rec.radio.info?

Two possibilities. You can use your newsreading software to just post
the article to rec.radio.info, as you would do with any other
newsgroup. The difference is that the software recognizes the special
status of rec.radio.info as a moderated group, and will e-mail your
article to us, the moderation team, instead of posting it to the group.

Alternatively, you can mail your article directly to us at the following
address:

rec-radio-info@panix.com

Mailing us directly is probably (a wee bit) faster, but using the
transparency offered by the newsreading software is probably more
convenient.

If you have any questions, or wish to deal with some administrivia with
the moderation team, we suggest mailing to the following address:

rec-radio-info-request@panix.com

-- How soon will I see my article appear?

It depends on how busy we are. Your article reaches us as mail, we have
to read it first, give it the stamp of approval, and finally send it on
to the group. We will attempt to read and decide on all submissions
within 72 hours at the very least, though we will probably be able to
process submissions much faster in actual practice.
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The site from which we moderate this newsgroup, "Public Access Internet and Unix, NYC" (Panix), is directly connected to the Internet, and articles posted at that site should appear at most major news sites, including Google Groups, the same day. The principal delay, therefore, will be the wait in the moderator's submission queue.

If you post a periodic article, and have shown to be trustworthy, we may allow you to post directly if the article is of a timely nature. See the section below on direct posting.

-- Should my article be in a specific format?

No. If it is not totally illegible, we will accept it, and if it does not have a correct subject-line we will correct it with your permission -- that's what a moderator is for.

However.

You could do us a big favor by making sure your article conforms to these simple requirements:

1) The article must present information, not discussion or requests, We will reject the article or require you to change the wording if it is worth it.
2) A good, descriptive Subject line.
3) Always mention what source you got the information from.
4) Don't forget to include a Followup-To header, at least if you don't want further discussion to automatically be forwarded to you, the poster, which is the default if the article is only posted to rec.radio.info.

As we said: if your article is appropriate we will post it even if you don't follow these guidelines, but then don't blame us for not processing it immediately. 'Perfect' articles we can send on with a couple of keystrokes. Stuff that needs minor editing is going to have to wait until we have time to do so.

Please do not waste both our and your time by posting requests, as this is an information only news group.

-- What about crossposting?

If you send something to rec.radio.info, just name any group you'd like to cross-post to in the Newsgroups field. Then, when we approve the article for rec.radio.info it will get automatically cross-posted to any other groups mentioned. This will also override the default Followup-To: poster, replacing it with the groups you cross posted to.

We would prefer if the group be cross-posted to the various discussion groups in the rec.radio.* hierarchy that are appropriate:

rec.radio.amateur.misc Amateur (ham) radio and related matters
rec.radio.amateur.packet Amateur Packet Radio discussions
rec.radio.amateur.policy Amateur Radio practices, rules, etc.
rec.radio.noncomm Non commercial radio discussions

rec.radio.shortwave International broadcasting on the 'HF' bands
rec.radio.cb Citizens Band (27 MHz) discussion
rec.radio.scanner Scanner discussions (unsupported group)

or in one of the moderated groups:

rec.radio.amateur.moderated Amateur radio practices, rules, etc.
rec.radio.broadcasting Discussion of *domestic* radio broadcasting

We will leave it up to the poster to decide which group(s) are appropriate, but reserve the right to add groups if we feel it has broader interest. We will consult with the poster first.

Notes on crossposting:

- rec.radio.broadcasting is also a moderated group. The rec.radio.broadcasting moderator prefers to review all articles himself before posting. Placing rec.radio.broadcasting before rec.radio.info on the Newsgroups line should accomplish this. We will typically abide by the rec.radio.broadcasting moderator's decision whether the article is appropriate for rec.radio.info.

- rec.radio.amateur.moderated is also a moderated group. As the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team manages both rec.radio.amateur.moderated and rec.radio.info, we can manage crossposting and approvals for both newsgroups. The rec.radio.amateur.moderated group does not allow crossposting to other discussion newsgroups, whether moderated or unmoderated. However, we would like to manage rec.radio.info as consistently as possible with how it was done by previous moderators, including the grandfathering of existing regular postings. Therefore, the submitter can choose rec.radio.amateur.moderated or the other unmoderated rec.radio.amateur.* discussion newsgroups for crossposting, but not both.

- Any FAQ or informational posting approved by the rec.answers/news.answers moderation team that is also crossposted to any rec.radio.* newsgroup (besides just rec.radio.info) is also automatically pre-approved for rec.radio.info. See below for more information.

If you post to another moderated group, it may be better to make special arrangements with both moderators before posting by contacting us at our administrivia addresses.

In addition, cross-posts do not take up extra space; modern newsreaders can be configured to show you cross-posted articles only once anyway; not everybody reads rec.radio.info; and rec.radio.info was never meant to reduce the volume of the regular discussion newsgroups. But keep in mind that some of the mail gateways may filter out the informational postings (at request of the subscribers) to keep the load down.

You decide.

-- I have a regular posting with timely information, can I make arrangements to help speed up delivery by posting directly from my site?

Yes, there is! It may take a bit of chatter with the moderator, but we are willing to take responsible people and provide them the means of posting the articles directly from their site. We will try everything we can as we fully realize that DX (distant signal) and astronomical data can be somewhat transitory. We are also willing to allow regular posters of information the same courtesy, even if the information is not as timely.

We refer to this as self-moderation, which is partly based on the model for rec.answers/news.answers. This requires cooperation and good will to be beneficial to the community in the rec.radio.* hierarchy.

If you are currently maintaining (or plan to maintain) a radio-related periodic information posting, you may wish to consider crossposting it to rec.answers/news.answers. Postings that are approved by the rec.answers/news.answers moderators for this treatment are automatically pre-approved for crossposting to rec.radio.info (as the news.answers requirements are far more rigorous than the requirements this newsgroup ever plans to use). For more information about this option, consult the appropriate information articles and posting guidelines in rec.answers/news.answers.

Realize also, that even if your post is not approved for rec.answers/news.answers, it can still be approved for rec.radio.info. The intention is not so much to get every last bit of radio-related information on rec.answers/news.answers, but rather to provide an alternative avenue of approval (as well as grandfather existing maintainers of radio-related information and spare them additional bureaucratic hurdles). Again, crossposting to either rec.radio.info or rec.answers/news.answers, both, or neither, is at the discretion of the poster (subject to the approval of the moderators). You decide what is most appropriate for your article.

Please remember that as an information maintainer, you are not alone. There are many others on the net who maintain and post periodic information postings, using various intermediate-to-advanced features of Usenet (usually via automated tools). Various degrees of technical support and general hand-holding are available from many Usenet veterans. Send us some E-mail describing your needs to our administrative address below, and we'll try to help, or at least refer you to the right knowledgeable individual(s).

-- And Follow-ups?

If the only newsgroup you have specified is rec.radio.info, then the Followup-To: field will always be set to poster. If you do not want this, you must supply a Followup-To line of your own, and we will honor that one, as long as it is a subset of the original Newsgroups line.

If you specify newsgroups to cross-post to, then the Followup-To field will be set to include all the cross-posted groups, excepting rec.radio.info itself. Again, if you do not wish this behavior, supply your own Followup-To line.

We maintain other standards on the various RFC-1036 (news transport) header lines. For example, if the article is appropriate for passing into the Packet Radio Information Network, we encapsulate the Packet Bulletin Identifier (BID) in the Message-ID: news header line indicating the machine of origin as the ampr.org domain:

Message-ID: <$opa.55.1994@ampr.org> |

where the Packet Radio BID, in this example, is `$OPA.55', and it was posted in the year 1994, because some of the Bid numbers are cycled yearly. Hopefully, this can be used as a key to re-introduce the articles for the Packet Radio network. Also, if the article is a repost of an already existing information article in the rec.radio heirarchy, we ensure that the References: header line is linked to that previously posted article. This also helps to tag articles, and may be used for additional filtering if needed.

Since the articles are archived, please use the Summary and Keywords header lines to help one search for your article.

-- Why have I received no reply from you?

We never reject anything in silence, and we make a point of it to answer all our mail. However, E-mail, like a brain cell, can and does get lost, every now and again.

So, if you send us something, and you don't see it appear it rec.radio.info, and you still have not heard from us in reply after say, five days, you can be pretty sure that either your mail never reached us, or that our answer has never reached you. In that case, please try again (We will filter out duplicates).

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms about this article to rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

(Adapted, with permission, from the original article written by Mark Salyzyn, AG4YD, ex-VE6MGS.)

1116. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 14 - 20 November 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-22 22:30:06 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20111122223001.D481533C8E@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3856
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.info

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:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2011 Nov 22 1901 UTC
# Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
# http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
14 - 20 November 2011

Solar activity has been at low to moderate levels. On November 14
solar activity was at low levels with a C5/Sf flare observed at
14/0930 UTC from Region 1348 (N20, L=088, class/area Dso/120 on 15
November) with an associated Type II radio sweep (estimated shock
velocity 610 km/s). Activity increased to moderate levels on
November 15 with three M-class flares. Region 1348 produced an M1/Sf
flare at 15/0912 UTC and an M1/1f flare at 15/2235 UTC, and Region
1346 (S18, L=339, class/area Dso/140 on 16 November) produced an
M1/Sf flare at 15/1243 UTC. From November 16-20, activity returned
to low levels with several Type II radio sweeps being reported. The
first of these (estimated velocity of 529 km/s) was possibly
associated with a C7 flare at 16/1505 UTC from Region 1348. Two Type
II radio sweeps occurred on November 17, one (estimated velocity of
456 km/s) associated with a C2 flare at 0133 UTC from Region 1346
and the other (estimated velocity of 558 km/s) associated with a
C6/Sf at 0727 UTC from Region 1346. The last Type II radio sweep of
the summary period (estimated velocity of 542 km/s) was associated
with a C1 flare at 19/0127 UTC from Region 1341 (N18, L=055,
class/area Dso/210 on 09 November). Several coronal mass ejections
(CMEs) were observed during the period but none were earthward
directed.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
normal to moderate levels the entire period.

The geomagnetic field was quiet to unsettled. The period began with
quiet conditions. Activity levels increased to quiet to unsettled
for a brief time on 15 November, but soon returned to quiet levels
and remained there for the remainder of the period.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
23 November - 19 December 2011
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Solar activity is expected to be at predominately low levels through the period. There is a slight chance, however, for isolated M-class activity.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at normal to moderate levels the entire period.

The geomagnetic field is expected to be generally quiet for most of the outlook period, with the exception of 28 - 29 November when quiet to unsettled levels are expected due to a small, recurrent coronal hole high speed stream.

1117. [DXNL] DXNL 1755 (Nov 23, 2011)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-22 23:04:00 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <30617479578.20111122230847@dxhf.darc.de>
Source record: 3857
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

DXNL 1755 - Nov 23, 2011
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(e-mail: dl7voa@darc.de)

5X, UGANDA
Nick,G3RWF, will be active again as 5X1NH for three weeks starting on
Nov 23. He will focus on the lowbands using also a power amplifier.
QSL via homecall, LoTW.

5Z, KENYA
Sigi,DL7DF, and his XYL are on holiday again and Sigi shows up as 5Z4HW
from Nov 23 until Dec 6. He will work in CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK31 and SSTV
on 160m-10m from Diani Beach at the coastline of Kenya near Mombasa.
QSL via homecall. See also: http://www.dl7df.com/5z

6W, SENEGAL
Jeff,N1SNB, is working as 6V7V from Nov 23-29. He will join the
CQ WWDX CW Contest. QSL via homecall.

C5, GAMBIA
Members of the OM0C Contest team are QRV as C50C again from Nov 20-29.
They will join the WWDX CW Contest as C5A in the M/M category.
QSLs via OM2FY. See also: http://www.om0c.com

C6, BAHAMAS, NA-001
C6AQQ is the callsign of Brian,ND3F, from Nov 24 until Dec 6. He will
work from Nassau (NA-001) especially on the lowbands and in the WWDX.
QSL via homecall, direct preferred, LoTW.
QSLs via bureau have to expect long delays.

E3, ERITREA
According to Erling,LA6VM, another DXpedition after E35X was never
planned. This comes out of the rumor mill.

E5, NORTH COOK, OC-014
Bill,N7OU, is working as E51MAN from the Manihiki atoll (OC-014),
which belongs to North Cook, until Dec 6. QSL via homecall.

EY, TAJIKISTAN
Steve,K6AW, will be QRV as EY8ZE from Dushanbe from Nov 24-28. He will take part in the WWDX CW Contest signing EY3M as SOSB from CQ Zone 17. QSLs via W5UE.

FM, MARTINIQUE, NA-107
Albert,F5VHJ, will be QRV as TO5A from Nov 29-30. QSL via F5VHJ, LoTW.

GM, SCOTLAND, EU-005
Members of the Stirling and District Amateur Radio Society (SDARS) will be on the air as GB0SA from the Wallace Monument in Stirling city on Nov 26/27 to celebrate St. Andrews Day on Nov 30.
QSL via bureau or direct to GM4UYE. See also: http://www.gm6nx.com
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Paul Godley,2ZE, visit to Ardrossan/Scotland in December 1921 resulted in the first transatlantic shortwave amateur radio QSO with the station 1BCG in Greenwich/Conneticut on Dec 11, 1921. In the further course 43 other North American stations were contacted as well.
The Crocodile Rock Amateur Group (CRAG) will activate the special call GB2PG to commemorate the 90th anniversary of this transmission from Nov 18 until Dec 15. QSL via GM0DEQ.
Web: http://www.gb2pg.blogspot.com

J6, ST LUCIA, NA-108
Mike,J6/W0MU, Jim,J6/N1NK, and Jonathan,J6/G0DVJ, are working from the Chateau Devaux, Cape Estate at the northern end of Saint Lucia (NA-108, WLOTA 1336, Loc. FK94mc) vom Nov 21 until Dec 1. They are working in CW, SSB and digital modes on 160m-6m. They will sign J6M (QSL via N1NK, LoTW and OQRS) in the upcoming CQ WWDX CW Contest. Derek,J6/VE3CZF, will join the team for the contest. Their equipment includes two K3, KPA 500, SteppIR 2ele yagi with 30/40m, 5 band Hexbeam, 31 ft vertical, microHAM Keyer for RTTY, PSK etc., multiband dipole and band filters. QSLs via homecall, LoTW. See also: http://www.w0mu.com/DX

J7, DOMINICA, NA-101
Volker,DL8WEM, plans to show up again as J79WE from Salisbury on Dominica (NA-101) from Nov 23 until Dec 8. He uses a K3 with 100 watts and a multiband Kelemen dipole for 40m-10m mainly in CW, including the CQ WWDX CW Contest. QSL via homecall.

JD1, OGASAWARA, AS-031
Yoshi,JG4IQC/JD1, is working in CW on 20m-10m from Chichi-jima (AS-031, WLOTA 2269, JCG 10007) from Nov 23-25. This is a business trip so his radio activities are limited to his spare time. QSL via homecall.

KH6, HAWAII, OC-019
Dave,KH6/WJ2O, plans to activate Hawaii (IOTA OC-019, USi HI025S, WLOTA 0065, Loc BK29cc) from Nov 23-30. He will join the WWDX Contest as well and wants to focus on 30m/17m/12m outside of the contest.
QSL via homecall. See also: http://www.wj2o.com

KH0, MARIANA ISLANDS, OC-086
Kazuo,JH8PHT, will be QRV as AH0KT from Saipan (OC-086) from Nov 24-28.

QSL via homecall.

PJ2, CURACAO, SA-099
Joeke,PJ2/PA0VDV, will be QRV in CW on 80m-10m from Curacao (SA-099 between Nov 24 and Dec 13. He will NOT work in the CQWWDX CW Contest, but works on 30m, 17m and 12m instead. QSL via homecall.

PJ7, SINT MAARTEN, NA-105
Masa,K1GI, plans to show up as PJ7I from Sint Maarten (NA-105) from Nov 24-28. He will work on 80m-10m with a FT-450, 500 W amp, a Hexbeam and a lambda/4 vertical for 80m/40m. QSL via JG2BRI.
Internet: http://www.qsl.net/pj7i and http://pj7i.blog.fc2.com

TL, CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC
Elvira,IV3FSG, plans to become active as TL8ES in SSB/RTTY/PSK on HF from M'Baiki within the next days. The length of the stay is not known. QSL via IK3GES.

TN, REPUBLIC OF CONGO
TN9SN is the new callsign of Nicolas Sinieokoff, ex-TN5SN. He wants to renew it for the next year because he will stay in Brazzaville until 2012. QSL via IZ1BZV, direct or LoTW. See: http://www.tn5sn.0fees.net

UT, UKRAINE
A new football stadium opens in Lviv for the upcoming Euro 2012. The special event station EO12WFS is working until Nov 30. QSL via UR5WA.

V2, ANTIGUA, NA-100
Bud,AA3B, will be QRV as V26K from Antigua (NA-100) only in CW from Nov 24-28. He will join the CQWW DX CW Contest in the SOAB LP category. QSL via AA3B.

VP2E, ANGUILLA, NA-022
Pete,VE3IKV/VA3RA, plans to be active as VP2EAT from Anguilla (NA-022, WLOTA 1474, Loc. FK88) between Nov 25 and Dec 3. He will join the WWDX as single op on 40m-10m and will promised to focus on 17m/12m/10m/6m after the contest. QSL via VE3IKV.

VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS, NA-023
Art,VP2V/N3DXX, is working from Virgin Gorda/Tortola (NA-023) from Nov 23-30. He is focussing on 160m and the CQWW DX CW Contest (SOAB). QSL via AA7V.

VP9, BERMUDA ISLANDS, NA-005
Alan,VP9/N3AD, hits the airwaves from Bermuda (NA-005) from Nov 22-28. He will join the CQWW DX CW Contest as SOLP. QSL via W3HNK.

VQ9, CHAGOS ARCHIPELAGO, AF-006
Jim,ND9M, is back on Diego Garcia/Chagos Islands (AF-006) and expects to stay there until Mar 1, 2012. The licensing auhtority renewed his regular license (VQ9JC) for two years and issued another one on short notice with the special callsign VQ91JC (valid Nov 19-Dec 4). He plans to take part in the upcoming CQ WWDX CW Contest (SOAB). Jim is usually

working from 1200-1630 UTC. QSLs via homecall.

XW, LAOS
Alex,RK3DT, has been spotted again signing XW3DT in CW/SSB from Laos.
His license is valid for 40m/30m/20m. Please e-mail him for other bands
to xw3dt@yahoo.com. His license costs 6.000 US$ and he wants to stay
there "until he has no more money for beer..." QSLs should be send
to following address before Dec 3:
Alex Sinchukov, PO Box 11, Lamma Island, Hong Kong

XZ, MYANMAR
After one year of discrete discussions with senior officials within the
Myanmar Ministry of Post&Telecommunications and the Ministry of Tourism
Simon,HS0ZIB, has received an invitation to visit Myanmar and to make a
PSK31 'micro' DXpedition for about 4 days from the historic city of
Bagan. The initial operation is on 20m only, running about 50 watts
into a PAR wire antenna. Simon hopes that this will be the first of
many micro DXpeditions to Myanmar. More details are not known.

YN, NICARAGUA
Mike,AJ9C, plans to show up as YN2CC from Granada in CW, SSB and RTTY
on 160m-10m from Nov 24 until Dec 5. His plans include also the
CQ WWDX CW Contest and the ARRL 160m CW Contest (Dec 2-4).
QSL via homecall (direct), LoTW.

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Nov 26/27: CQ WWDX Contest, CW
Dec 2-4: ARRL 160m Contest, CW

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AN-016, several, Antarctica: Massimo,IW0HEU, stays at the "Mario Zucchelli
Station" on Terra Nova Bay (WAP ITA-01, AA I-01, WFF IFF 025) until
February 2012. He prefers to work only in SSB on 20m and 40m as II0MZ.
QSL via IW0EFA (bureau/direct).

EU-017, Ix9, Eolie Islands: ID9DXC is a special callsign of the "DXCoffee".
This call will be used during special activities for the Italian Island
Award (IIA) from rare islands in the IOTA group EU-017 between Nov 2011
and the end of 2012. A special QSL is available via IT9YVO.
For more information check the website: http://www.dxcoffee.com/id9dxc

NA-078, XE2, Baja California Sur State South West Group: Manuel,XE2HUQ, will
be QRV as XF1M from Santa Margarita Island (WLOTA 1634) from Nov 28 and
Dec 2. He will work in SSB and CW on 80m/40m/20m/17m/15m/12m/10m.

QSL direct via XE2HUQ.

WFF activities:
PJ5/DL7VOG PAFF-025 Nov 15-Dec 6
DG6PY/p DLFF-111 Nov 30-Dec 2

Lighthouse activities

AH0KT LH 1333 Nov 24-Nov 28
PJ2/PA0VDV LH 0942 Nov 24-Dec 13
PJ7I LH 0711 Nov 24-Nov 28
VP2ERA LH 1474 Nov 25-Dec 3

Bandspots of the last 7 days

30m
GB4A 10.127 1718Z
JA1VND 10.115 1156Z
PJ5/DL7VOG 10.104 0818Z NA-145
RI1ANC 10.115 1829Z via RN1ON (B)
W1MK 10.119 2011Z

20m
7Z7AA 14.180 1017Z via 7Z1CQ (d) AS-191
IB0/IZ0UIM 14.236 0908Z EU-045
K4ADV 14.062 1723Z SOTA W4/BR002
KH6MB 14.004 1720Z (L), (d)
N7CNH/P 14.342 1950Z SOTA CC012
USIID/p 14.022 1156Z URFF-098
VE2PID 14.060 1757Z SOTA ES008
W4EON 14.342 1833Z SOTA W4/BR012
WA3SEE 14.062 1742Z PD007

17m
7Z7AA 18.127 1525Z via 7Z1CQ (d) AS-191
K7JDF 18.151 1915Z SOTA 7/NC090
KC8HT 18.140 1911Z
KD0BIK 18.152 1747Z SOTA FR063

15m
NS0TA 21.060 1720Z SOTA W3/PO001
VE9HF 21.012 1730Z
ZD8ZZ 21.006 1546Z via K7ZZ (L), (d)

12m
3W1M 24.933 0941Z via OM3JW
7Z7AA 24.960 0930Z via 7Z1CQ (d) AS-191
AP2IA 24.970 0908Z (B), (L)
EA8/DL2DXA 24.890 0910Z AF004
FM/F6AUS 24.914 1617Z NA-107
SV5BYR/5 24.894 0850Z (d)

10m
5B4AIJ 28.540 1225Z (B)
7Z7AA 28.455 0918Z via 7Z1CQ (d) AS-191
8P9MS 28.030 1718Z DL9MS (B)
9Y/J39BS 28.013 1637Z
A43ND 28.460 0652Z via A47RS
A6/DL9WVM 28.005 0728Z (B)
A61LL/40 28.457 0658Z via EA5ZD
CE4SES 28.498 1706Z via EA5KB
CT1IUA 28.016 1359Z
EA9IE 28.468 1006Z
FM/F5UFX 28.487 1653Z NA-107
SV8IJZ 28.455 0825Z
UR4MKY 28.567 1317Z
VE2CSI 28.010 1634Z via M0URX (B), OQRS
VU2RBI 28.540 1233Z (d)
ZD8ZZ 28.005 0938Z (d), (L), AF-003

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(L) = LoTW
(r) = bureau QSL via e-mail request

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

-Dec 3Y8XSA 1700/1717
15Nov-17Dec 5R8IC 1753
23Nov-14Dec 5X1NH 1755 *
-2014 5Z4EE 1742/1753
23Nov-06Dec 5Z4HW 1755 *
-Apr/12 5Z4RH ? 1674
Cancelled 6O0DX 1754
23Nov-29Nov 6V7V 1755 *
Nov 7U1MA 1752
-23Nov 7Q7HB 1717/1743
17Nov-25Nov 7Z7AA 1753

-Mar/12 8J1ING 1751
-30Nov 8J1MORSE.. 1731
-Sep/12 8J2NDP.. 1751
31Jan 8J4EQ 1754
30Nov 8J5SSS 1754
11Dec 8N2IWA 1754
15Nov-29Nov 8Q7ZB 1754
-31Dec 9A11P 1723
-2012 9J2RI 1739/1742
22Nov-04Dec 9L0W 1754
Long term 9N1FE 1740
14Nov-24Nov 9N7MD 1753
Soon 9Q1EK 1669

-Nov 9Q6CC 1699
-Oct/14 9V1RM 1751

-Sep/13 A52SV 1752
-26Nov A6/DL9WVM 1753
Unknown A92KT 1753
24Nov-28Nov AH0KT 1755 *
19Nov-04Dec AU2JCB 1754
-31Dec BP100 1684
-31Dec BV100 1684/1755 *
20Nov-29Nov C5A.. 1750/1755 *
18Nov-28Nov C6AAW.. 1754
24Nov-06Dec C6AQQ 1755 *
21Nov-29Nov C91NW 1754
20Nov-23Nov CE4A 1754
-Mar/12 CE9VPM 1752
15Oct-20Dec CN2LO.. 1753
-31Dec CW5RV 1711
05Oct-31Dec CY0/VE1AWW 1748

-Jul/12 D2QV 1750
-Apr/12? D2SG 1748
Unknown D44TAL 1753
Hoax E35X 1754/1755 *
-06Dec E51MAN 1752/1753/1754/1755 *
Unknown E51NNV 1752
21Nov-Nov EL2A.. 1754
30Nov EO12WFS 1755 *
24Nov-28Nov EY3M.. 1755 *
06Nov-25Nov FG/DK9PY 1752
-Mar/13 FH8NX 1747
-Jul/12 FR8NE 1710
26Nov-27Nov GB0SA 1755 *
18Nov-15Dec GB2PG 1755 *
-31Dec GB40HMSB 1748

-31Dec HB60LU 1711
-30Nov HB9STEVE 1753
-31Dec HG15IPA 1724
01Jan-31Dec HG200LST 1708
-2013 HI3/KL7JR 1745
NOW HL2/KC6STQ 1746
01Jan-31Dec IA7MM 1708
-Dec/12 ID9DXC.. 1755 *
23Nov-28Nov IH9R.. 1754
-Feb/12 II0MZ 1755 *
01Jan-31Dec II1ITA.. 1708
-31Dec II4LXV 1742
30Oct-30Nov IR3MD 1751

-2012 J28FJ 1739
-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul/12 J28RO 1683
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
19Nov-03Dec J68HZ 1754
21Nov-01Dec J6M.. 1755 *
23Nov-08Dec J79WE 1755 *
-07Dec J79WTA 1703/1754
23Nov-25Nov JG4IQC/JD1 1755 *
21Nov-23Nov JF6YME/6 1754
Cancelled K8A 1754
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
-May/12 KH4/W5FJG 1728
Postponed KH5 1674/1705/1741
23Nov-30Nov KH6/WJ2O 1755 *

-31Dec LA200D 1713
Unknown LA2RRA/mm 1753
-31Dec LM9L40Y 1748
-31Dec LZ85R 1721
-Mar/12 OA/OE3NHW 1749
01Nov-30Nov OL60OU 1753
-31Dec ON30CLM 1753
-Feb/12 OR4TN 1754
Long term P29FM 1752
-Mar/12 P29FR 1742
01Jan-31Dec PA30.. 1708
24Nov-13Dec PJ2/PA0VDV 1755 *
-Mar/Apr PJ4/PE1MAE 1753
20Nov-28Nov P4/R5GA.. 1754
13Nov-05Dec PJ5/DL7VOG 1753
17Nov-30Nov PJ7/F5AHO.. 1754
24Nov-28Nov PJ7I 1755 *
21Nov-29Nov PZ5T 1754

-30Nov R300ML 1743
-Dec RI1ANC 1708
-Sep/12 RI1FJA 1741
-Sep/12 RI1FJM 1741
-30Nov S550ACP 1745
NOW ST2AR 1745
-30Nov SU/HA3JB 1743
Unknown SU9VB 1754
-Nov T5/TA1AMC 1745
10Nov-05Dec T2T 1753
-Apr/12 T6BP 1746
-Nov T6FR 1742
-Jun/12 T6MO 1733
23Nov-28Nov TK4W.. 1754
Unknown TL8ES 1755 *
-Jul/12 TN9SN 1755 *
22Nov-29Nov TO3A.. 1754

29Nov-30Nov TO5A 1755 *
23Oct-23Dec TT8PK 1670/1723/1752

24Nov-28Nov V26K 1755 *
22Nov-29Nov V31AO.. 1754
17Nov-14Dec V5/DJ4SO 1700/1701/1715/1754
-Nov/14 V73NS 1604/1668/1752
-Dec/11 VK0BFG 1741
NOW VK0TH (Macq) 1748
Nov VK100ARV 1752
25Nov-03Dec VP2EAT 1755 *
23Nov-30Nov VP2V/N3DXX 1755 *
18Nov-06Dec VP2MWG.. 1754
28Oct-31Dec VP9/N1SV 1747
28Oct-31Dec VP9/N1SV 1751
22Nov-28Nov VP9/N3AD 1755 *
19Nov-04Dec VQ91JC 1755 *
-Jul/12 VQ9JC 1755 *

-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
28Nov-02Dec XF1M 1755 *
12Nov-05Dec XV2CO 1753
01Nov-12Dec XV2RZ 1751
Unknown XW3DT 1755 *
24Nov-05Dec YN2CC 1755 *
21Nov-02Dec ZD8N 1754
20Nov-29Nov ZD8W.. 1754
15Oct-29Dec ZK2V.. 1749
-31Dec ZL50GH 1711
-2012 ZS7KX 1740/1749

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

A52AM via JA0JHA (B)
A61M via EA5GL
AH0KT via JH8PHT
BV100 via BV2KI (B)
C5A via OM2FY (B)
C6AQQ via ND3F (d), (L), (B)
CN8KD via EA5XX (d)
E51MAN via N7UO (B)
EO12WFS via UR5WA
EY3M via W5UE (B), (L)
EY8ZE via W5UE (B), (L)
FY5LH via F5KDR (B)
GB0SA via (B), GM4UYE (d)
GB2PG via GM0DEQ
HF1918RO via SP3POW (B)

HU2DX via DH7WW (B)
ID9DXC via IT9YVO (B)
IH9/IK1QBT via IK1QBT (B)
IH9/IZ1GAR via IZ1GAR (B)
IH9R via IZ1GAR (B)
IH9X via IK1QBT (B)
II0MZ via IW0EFA
II4LXV via IZ4OUL (B), eQSL
II9DXC via IT9YVO (B)
J37LR via VE3EBN (B)
J6/G0DVJ via G0DVJ
J6/N1NK via N1NK
J6/VE3CZF via VE3CZF
J6/W0MU via W0MU
J68HZ via K9HZ (B), eQSL
J6M via N1NK, LoTW and OQRS
J79WE via DL8WEM
J79KT via JN1NDY (d)
J79WTA via HB9MFM (B)
J79YK via JN1NDY (d)
JF6YME/6 via JF6YME (B)
JG4IQC/JD1 via JG4IQC
JT1DX via JT1CS (B)
KH6/WJ2O via WJ2O
PJ2/PA0VDV via PA0VDV (B)
PJ7I via JG2BRI
PY2/PT7AG via PT7AG (B)
PZ5T via VE3DZ (B)
SM5LWC via AE7PP (B only)
TL8ES via IK3GES
TN9SN via IZ1BZV (d), LoTW
TO5A via F5VHJ (B), (L)
TY2BP via IK2IQD
V26K via AA3B
V63MP via JA0VSH (B)
VQ91JC via ND9M
XF1M via XE2HUQ (d)
ZD8W via W6NV
ZD8ZZ via K7ZZ (d)
VP2EAT via VE3IKV (d)
VP2V/N3DXX via AA7V
VP9/N3AD via W3HNK
XW3DT via Alex Sinchukov, Box 11, Lamma Island, Hong Kong
YN2CC via AJ9C (d), (L)
ZF1EJ via K6AM (B)
4M6M via YV5MM (B), (L), eQSL
5X1NH via G3RWF
5Z4HW via DL7DF (B)
6V7V via N1SNB
6Y3M via VE3NE

7X2VX via F4EPP (d)
8S7A via W3HNK (d)
9G1MP via W8MP
9L1BTB via SP7BTB
9N7MD via IK2VUC (B)

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(*) = new QSL manager
(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) = e-mail request

QSLs arrived direct: PJ5/SP6EQZ

QSLs arrived bureau: AA4V/VP9, AM1A (EA1URG), C37N (EA4URE), OM8A (OM2VL),
PJ5/K1XM (KQ1F), PJ6A (N4NX), PZ5T (VE3DZ),
UV5U (UX1UA), YP3A (YO3KPA) , 4L5O (N3SL), 4L8A (K1BV)

QSL bureaus

Two more countries have closed their QSL bureaus. The first country is
Cote d'Ivoire, TU, and the other one are the Marshall Islands, V7. QSLs for
stations from these countries can be obtained only via QSL manager or direct

CQ WWDX Contest CW 2011 - Further announcements

The CQ WWDX Contest in CW will take place on Nov 26/27, 2011.
Following stations announced to be active (and were not mentioned before):

Call Category QSL route

3V8SS SOAB LP LX1NO, LoTW
5B/G4IRN SOSB 20 HP G4IRN
6V7V SOAB N1SNB
6Y3M M/S VE3NE
8Q7DV MOST R9DX
9H3BH OH2BH
9H3PP SOAB HA5PP
9M6/JF2QNM SOAB HP JF2QNM
9M6NA SOAB JE1JKL (9m6na@jsfc.org)
9N7DX SO 4Z4DX
9Y4W DL4MDO
AH0BT M/2 7L1FPU
BV100 M/? BV2KI, http://www.bv100.tw/EN
C5A M/M OM2FY
C6AQQ SOAB LP ND3F, LoTW
C91NW SOAB K9NW
CR3L M/2 DJ6QT
DU1/JJ5GMJ SOAB HP(A) LoTW
E21EIC SOAB LP E21EIC; JA via JR5XPG
E7DX M/S E77E
EA6FO TBA EA5BM (d)

EA6URA SO10 HP Ass EA3AIR, LoTW
EA8AY SOAB LoTW
ED9M M/S HA1AG, LotW
EF8M SOAB HP UA3DX
EL2A MM G3SXW
ER4A SOAB RA4LW (d)
EY3M SOSB W5UE
F8UFT M/S (B), F6ICG (d), (L)
FY5FY SOSB LP FY5FY
GU4CHY SOSB 15 bureau
HP1DCP single EA5KB
HQ9R SOAB HP K5WW, LoTW
H9R SOSB 40 IZ1GAR
II9T IT9ESW
J6M N1NK, LoTW
J79WE DL8WEM
KP2MM SOAB LP N2TTA
LX7I M/S LX2A
MD4K SOSB G3NKC
MJ0ASP SOSB 15m LoTW
NH2T SOAB W2YC , LoTW
NH7A SOAB HP F5VHJ, LoTW
OH0Z SOAB HP W0MM
P40F SOAB R5GA, LoTW
PJ4A K4BAI
RU0FM M/S LoTW
ST2AR SOAB Assisted S53R
SU/HA3JB SOSB tbd HA3JB
TC3A M/2 LZ1NK
T6MO SOAB K9GY
TF3CW SOSB20 LX1NO (d)
TI5A SOHP tbd TI5KD
TO7A SOAB HP UT5UGR (Martinique)
TX8NC LZ1JZ
V26K SOAB LP AA3B
V31SX or
V31AO M/S LoTW
VE2EKA SOAB LP VA2WDQ
VP2EAT SO VE3IKV
VP2MWG M/? N0AT, LoTW
VP2V/N3DXX SOAB AA7V
VP9/N3AD SO LP W3HNK
VQ91JC SOAB LP ND9M
WJ2O/KH6 WJ2O
YN2CC AJ9C (d), LoTW
ZD8W M/S W6NV
ZF1A M/S K6AM, LoTW
ZK2V SOAB HP N3SL

More contest atations can be found at: http://www.ng3k.com/Contest

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From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20111123041939.7316F2597F@bmail.arrl.org>
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NEW HF OPERATORS - THINGS TO DO

If you like CW and DX, shake off that trailing turkey torpor and join the throngs on ham radio's own "Black Friday" known as the CQ World Wide CW <http://www.cqww.com/> contest - a 48-hour cacophonous code carnival. The very next weekend brings an opportunity to whittle down your Top Band WAS list - the ARRL 160 Meter Contest <http://www.arrl.org/160-meter>.

BULLETINS

Get your logging software ready to go - update your program and supporting files now and not an hour before the contest starts! Jim AD1C reports that the Country (CTY) files <http://www.country-files.com/cty> were updated on 21 November 2011. Bob WA1Z has updated the Super Check Partial database files <http://www.supercheckpartial.com/>, as well.

BUSTED QSOS

Nothing horrendously inaccurate was reported to have leaked out in the last issue.

CONTEST SUMMARY

Complete information for all contests follows the Conversation section

Nov 26-27

- SKCC Straight Key Sprint--(Nov 23)
- CQ World Wide CW Contest
- SARL Digital Contest

Dec 3-4

- ARRL 160 Meter Contest--CW
- Top Band Sprint--(Dec 2)
- SNS and NS Weekly Sprints--CW (Dec 2)
- TARA RTTY M�l�e
- Top Operators Activity Contest--CW
- AWA Bruce Kelly QSO Party--CW
- 10 Meter RTTY Contest
- ARS Spartan Sprint--CW (Dec 6)

==> NEWS, PRESS RELEASES, AND GENERAL INTEREST

John K1AR reports that at least 7025 logs were received for the CQ WW SSB contest as the deadline passed - an increase of more than 1000 - nearly 15% - over the previous all-time total! The combination of new ham populations around the world, great high-band propagation, and the ease of submitting a Cabrillo-formatted log are resulting in big increases in scores and log submissions!

As we approach the end of 2011, a look back at Contest Corral <http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar> for the year finds 418 contests listed - not including contests that run more than once a month, such as the NS Sprints. Of the 418, there were 310 HF-only contests and 37 contests that only used the VHF+ bands. Most contests (72%) included CW - not bad for a mode now more than 170 years old! 47% featured phone operation and keeping with the trend of participation, 37% now have a digital component of the competition.

One of the additional digital contests is the new 10 Meter RTTY Contest <http://www.rttycontesting.com/the10meterrttycontest.html> sponsored by Ed W0YK and Don AA5AU. After taking a survey of RTTY contesters, it was decided to create a new low-power 10 meter contest - just in time for the great conditions of late. "By having this new contest occur the weekend before the ARRL 10-Meter Contest, it should give those who plan to operate the ARRL contest a chance to shake their stations down on 10 meters in a real contest beforehand and give die-hard RTTY contesters their own 10 meter contest. As an added incentive, Ed (owner of Muns Vineyard) is awarding a bottle of his excellent wine to the top ten single operators." Plaque sponsorships are also available for this brand-new contest as described on the website.

With solar flux in abundance, Dan W7WA decided to find out what the all-time record is. "I recall from W3ASK's propagation column in CQ magazine it was sometime during cycle 19 and over 300. I did some

Google searching and found some charts <http://www.solen.info/solar/history/hist1957.html>. Apparently the historical record for 10.7 cm solar flux measurements extends only back to 1947 (source: Wikipedia). Besides solar flux noteworthy for 1957 was that at times the planetary A index went up over 160. There were extended periods of elevated planetary A index lasting up to a week. So with 6 meter F2 openings there were probably extended periods of HF blackout/disturbed conditions. September 1957 looks to have been especially fraught with HF blackouts. During 1957 the solar flux ranged from 170 on May 18 to nearly 380 on December 23rd. Between December 12 and 23rd the flux jumped from 210 to nearly 380." We've got a ways to go to top that!

Stew Perry plaque manager, Lew W7EW, writes that, "The plaque program for The Stew Perry TopBand Extravaganza <http://jzap.com/k7rat/stew.html> is unique in that The Boring Amateur Radio Club does not decide what performances should be rewarded with wood. The radio combatants do that by sponsoring categories that they individually feel are important. These stalwarts choose the accomplishment that they want rewarded...and then the fight is on for that category." So far, the following plaques are sponsored:

Sponsor - Category
KL7RA - "Top Number of QSOs"
North Pole Contest Club - "Being Cogitated"
TF4M - "Longest DX" (2 stations, each get 1 plaque)
W0UCE - "Top Score USA/SOLP/single wire for Tx & Rx"
KR2Q - "Golden Log" (Top # of QSOs w/o a bust)
VK6VZ - "Top Score N. Hemisphere station working S. Hemisphere stations"

The winner of that last plaque gets an official Flying Doctors of VK Baseball hat instead of a plaque. If your Stew is in need of a warmup, try the QRP ARCI's Top Band Sprint <http://www.qrparci.org/> the evening of 1 December before the ARRL 160 Meter Contest.

How good are conditions? Here's a list that will give you an idea - the first six positions of the SSB Sweepstakes Single-Op, High Power top ten (N9RV, VY2ZM, KH7X, W7WA, KL7RA, and K7RL - as of Nov 22nd) include five stations located north of latitude 45N and a sixth that is nearly 2400 miles from the US West Coast! Amazing to see stations previously hobbled by propagation surging to the fore.

Amateur Radio assistance is requested for the Plasma Thrust Shadow Experiment to be conducted on the International Space Station. The Central Research Institute of Machine Building (TSNIIMASH) in Russia is conducting a series of space plasma experiments in order to evaluate the shape of previously observed "dead" zones, or shadow-ing due to the firing of an onboard arcjet plasma source. Integration of electric thrust (ET) onboard a spacecraft poses a certain set of problems including electromagnetic compatibility. One matter of interest is that highly ionized exhaust plumes of ET may scatter RF signals producing a

large "dead" zone for communications. See this ARRL Web story
<http://www.arrl.org/news/hams-invited-to-participate-in-a-research-project-on-the-iss>
for complete details.

Membership awards are often awarded towards the end of the year, such
as Sigurd KJ1K who recently received the Packrats
<http://www.packratvhf.com>Rover Recognition Award. Sigurd operates a
rover equipped from 50 MHz through 5 GHz, generating a lot of points in
VHF+ contests for club members. Doesn't your club have deserving
individuals who would appreciate recognition for their efforts?

Doug KR2Q posts some information to help explain the CQ WW log
format extension of XQSO: at the beginning of each logged contact
instead of the usual QSO: It indicates a QSO that you made but do not
wish to be included as a claimed QSO. First, he notes that the correct
way to find out the answer to a question about CQWW is to send an email
to questions@cqww.com and not post it in a public forum. XQSO can be
used to designate QSOs that don't comply with the restrictions of your
category - for example, a contact made with high power although your
log is submitted in a low power category, contacts made (accidentally,
of course) outside your authorized frequency limits, or contacts of
which you are unsure. By using XQSO and leaving the QSO in the log, you
don't have to worry about creating penalties "on the other end." XQSO
should appear very, very rarely - it is for accidents, not post-contest
manipulation of the log. (See the Conversation section of this
newsletter for more on that subject.) Contact the CQ WW committee for
specific and official responses to questions.

Ham radio made a great impression during the recent severe storms in
Alaska as reported in this Alaska Dispatch article
<http://www.alaskadispatch.com/article/howling-storm-battered-alaska-ham-operators-provide
d-vital-link?page=full>.
(Thanks, William W3QX)

While there is no contest activity on 60 meters, you can read this ARRL
Web story
<http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-releases-new-rules-for-60-meters> about
the FCC's recent update of the rules for operating on that band. Once
again, CW is allowed on all amateur allocations!

Web Site of the Week - Fans of the Northern California Contest Club
newsletter, "The JUG <http://nccc.cc/newsletter.html>" will be pleased
to know that the new editors, Ian W6TCP and Stu K6TU are building on
the work of former editor, Rob K6RB. They are busily turning the
newsletter into a resource for contesters everywhere, not just in the
NCCC region. You can see all the editions online!

WORD TO THE WISE

Assuming - don't do it! Even though your logging program thinks it
knows an exchange, don't just blindly accept that data. Many stations
may have a new QTH or the program could be wrong in guessing where the

station is located. In CQ WW, that can cost you QSO points at the least and a multiplier at worst. Listen to what the station sends and log it!

==> SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

Kirk K4RO found this nice video <http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_detailpage&v=JrWBUdtkKsg> about building Beverage antenna transformers. I especially like the "mount on lid, not box" idea.

Members of the Radio Amateur Society of Thailand (RAST) have been throwing themselves into relief efforts in response to the heavy flooding in Bangkok and other areas of Thailand. You know Champ E21EIC/KY1A as a contester but as the photo elsewhere in this issue shows, he is busy helping out with disaster communications, too. He has posted more photos and information online <http://bit.ly/uvvhqR>.

==> RESULTS AND RECORDS

The ARRL Contest Branch has been busy as reported by its manager, Sean KX9X. "2010 10 Meter certificates went out the door Friday. 2011 RTTY Roundup plaques and certificates are being worked on as we speak. Look for those to go out by the first week in December. You can follow ARRL contest awards processing status online <http://www.arrl.org/plaques-and-certificates>, too. 2011 August UHF expanded results should be online by Monday, November 28. In the meantime, 1353 logs were received for 2011 SS CW before the deadline and 973 logs have been received so far for last weekend's SS Phone. Over 600 logs were submitted by 8 AM EST Monday morning, further validating the idea that the contest ends when the last QSO is made. Submit your log when the contest is over! The ARRL remains committed to having initial Sweepstakes results out in 60 days. All paper logs received for Sweepstakes are once again being converted to Cabrillo by a small group of dedicated data entry volunteers. We are not responsible for errors in conversion due to illegible handwritten logs. Contest clubs are continually encouraged to help their club members submit their logs electronically. Don't forget that the second CW Rookie Roundup <http://www.arrl.org/rookie-roundup> is December 18 from 1800-2400 UTC. Get your club active and open your shacks to the newly-licensed and help them work and enjoy CW!"

The results of the UBA CW Contest 2011 <http://www.uba.be/> have been published - go to the HF "TOP BAR" and the Contest Results "LEFT BAR". All participants will receive their UBN file in the coming week. (Thanks, Marc ON7SS - OO9O)

Results for the QRP ARCI's <http://qrparci.org/> Fall QSO Party Results are now online. The full result view brings up a rather large spreadsheet of information. (Thanks, Jim K9JWV)

Getscores <http://www.getscores.org/live> developer Gerry W1VE "...now has a beta page up which displays all scores sent to the site. (Meaning no configuration to see any particular contest.) The Grid refreshes in

place, so no need to refresh the page. The grid allows you to group by any column, as well as Filter by any column. Want to see CQ-WW-CW results for SOLP Europe? No problem. How about all scores from only your contest club? Simple. The Grid is drag and drop... and very configurable."(Thanks, Gerry W1VE)

OPERATING TIP

To avoid a big metabolic shutdown during the contest - eat lightly and often so your stomach doesn't commandeer all that blood oxygen, shutting down your contest computer (the brain).

==> TECHNICAL TOPICS AND INFORMATION

Sometimes finding the right person to answer questions at the local power company is more difficult than the 80th section near the end of Sweepstakes! In the meantime, complete documentation and all sorts of valuable guying information and soil information can be found at the AB Chance civil construction <http://www.abchance.com/> web pages. (Thanks, Tom N4NW)

Bill KB8WUP provides some handy design data from the telecom/utility industry. A 10-foot clearance (minimum) over finished grade is required where vehicular traffic is not expected. Over roadways, a minimum 17-foot clearance applies. He reminds us that the clearance should be at the lowestpoint in the sag of the cable or wires, including a little extra height margin to deal with ice loading and the resulting additional sag.

How high off the ground does a feed point need to be to be considered elevated enough to use tuned radials on 160? Your editor suggests 1.1 Antler or 1.1 UPS trucks high - whichever is greater. I don't thinkanybody has to ask how I might have learned this.

Here's a new way
<http://www.clickgreen.org.uk/research/data/122768-scientists-flushed-with-success-after-sprinkle-power-breakthrough.html>
to enter QRP categories from Lynn N7CFO. Nuff said.

Julius N2WN humorously suggests that the recent invention of metal structures nearly as light as air
<http://io9.com/5859728/breakthrough-this-ultralight-metal-is-made-mostly-of-air>
could result in 160 meter Yagis liftable by one or two people!

What makes the most effect Beverage termination? According to Frank W3LPL, researchers found that that the most stable all weather Beverage termination (especially in very dry weather) is a ground mat. The least expensive ground mat is chicken wire installed at the end of the Beverage. The mats used by the researchers is about 6 feet wide and roughly ¼-wavelength long at the lowest frequency of interest.

Technical Web Site of the Week - Proceedings from the 2011 Microwave Update are now available as a low-cost print-on-demand book from Lulu

<http://www.lulu.com/browse/search.php?fListingClass=0&fSearch=2011+microwave>
or as a CD-ROM <http://www.newsvhf.com/confcd.html> with some extra
material. There is lots of material of interest to the active
contester, particularly those VHF+ specialists. Here are just a few of
the articles:

- Building a portable Multi-Limited VHF Contest Station; Ken Kent,
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==> CONVERSATION

Put Your Pencils Down

When those words were heard at the conclusion of standardized testing
during my primary school years, we knew to drop 'em and sit back - the
proctors were already snatching test forms off the desk! When the test
was over, it was OVER.

Would that was just as true of ham radio contests! Yet, there remains
considerable confusion out there in radiosport land about what should
happen between the last QSO and the log submission deadline. That
period was originally required in the days of paper logs to go through
and clean up handwriting, remove duplicate contacts, and generally make
the log checkable - no computer software was involved. In addition,
mailing in the log from faraway places often took some time.

These days, it's uncommon to NOT use a computer to log your contacts
and with the Internet nearly ubiquitous, the resulting computer file
can be sent to the sponsors in seconds. So as in golf, turn in your
score card before you even take your spikes off! No other sport permits
the participants a "do over" by allowing them to rewrite history by
changing the submitted record of the competition.

What do the ARRL HF Operating Guidelines
<http://www.arrl.org/hf-operating-guidelines> have to say about it?
Paraphrasing some of the information there, any information in your log
at the end of the contest is what should go to the contest sponsors. If
your information is wrong, so be it - everyone makes mistakes. It's
possible to "sanitize" a log after the contest, but the correct answer
is that the contest is over at the time the rules say it's over.

Examples of post-contest log manipulation include editing times,
correcting band changes, checking calls against the Callbook, checking

against packet spots, looking through logs from other contesters, confirming calls and exchanges with your buddies, reading DX and contesting reflectors for news about rare calls, and even posting questions like, "did anyone get QSL info for that VQ0?" If someone asks you to confirm a QSO or information in the exchange, you should politely decline. After the log submission deadline, you can discuss anything you want, of course. If you're not sure about that QSO with KX1ABC, the time to make sure is during the contest.

There are wide ranging opinions about the acceptability of editing your log after the contest. Most contesters would agree that if you made a note during the contest about an error, it's OK to fix it afterwards. Furthermore, it is generally OK to make a quick pass through the log immediately after the contest looking for "obvious" typos such as entering CT as CTT or changing 'o' to '0' - in fact, most logging software does such a check before creating the final log file. Correcting syntax errors reported by a log acceptance robot such as improper dates or multiplier abbreviations is also acceptable. Once you step over the line into making changes to what you think you "should" have logged, that's going too far.

Reviewing your log is completely appropriate to help improve your operating accuracy and look for ways to improve strategy - in the NEXT contest. In fact, many top operators regularly review their logs and even record parts of contests in order to review and improve their operating practices. For example, when you get your log-checking report, you can go back to review busted calls and see what the other station really sent. This is an excellent way to discover where your weak spots are. A quick scan of last year's log will refresh your memory about when and where you worked those rare multipliers, too!

It is encouraging to see so many logs submitted within minutes of the end of major contests, often a significant fraction of the final tally. That means contesters are "getting it" -we compete during the contest period and not afterwards. It is becoming a matter of pride that your log is turned in right away just as it is to compete ethically and by the rules. There is more work to be done - urge your peers to follow suit and join the clatter of pencils falling onto tabletops as the clock ticks over to 0000 Z.

73, Ward N0AX

==> CONTESTS

23 November through 6 December

An expanded, downloadable version of QST's Contest Corral in PDF format <http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar> is available. Check the sponsor's Web site for information on operating time restrictions and other instructions.

HF CONTESTS

ARRL 160 Meter Contest--CW, from Dec 2, 2200Z to Dec 4, 1600Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8. Exchange: RST and ARRL/RAC section if US/VE. Logs due: Jan 3. Rules <http://www.arrl.org/contests>

SKCC Straight Key Sprint--CW, from Nov 23, 0000Z to Nov 23, 0200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50. Monthly on the fourth Wednesday UTC. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, name, SKCC nr or power. Logs due: 5 days. Rules <http://www.skccgroup.com/>

CQ World Wide CW Contest--CW, from Nov 26, 0000Z to Nov 27, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RST and CQ zone. Logs due: Dec 21. Rules <http://cq-amateur-radio.com/>

SARL Digital Contest--Digital, from Nov 27, 1300Z to Nov 27, 1600Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Exchange: RST and serial. Logs due: 7 days. Rules <http://www.sarl.org.za/public/contests/SARL_2011_Contest%20Manual_issue_9.pdf.>

Top Band Sprint--Phone, CW, from Dec 2, 0000Z to Dec 2, 0600Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, ARCI number or Power. Logs due: Dec 17. Rules <http://www.qrparci.org/contests>

SNS and NS Weekly Sprints--CW, from Dec 2, 0200Z to Dec 2, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-14. Weekly on Thursday evenings local time. Exchange: Serial, name, and S/P/C. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.ncccsprint.com/rules.html>

TARA RTTY M�l�e--Digital, from Dec 3, 0000Z to Dec 3, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RST and State/Province or serial. Logs due: Jan 1. Rules <http://www.n2ty.org/seasons/tara_melee_rules.html>

Top Operators Activity Contest--CW, from Dec 3, 1600Z to Dec 4, 1559Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST, serial, and TOPS/PRO number. Logs due: Dec 31. Rules <http://www.procwclub.yo6ex.ro/>

AWA Bruce Kelly QSO Party--CW, from Dec 3, 2300Z to Dec 4, 2300Z. Multiple operating periods, see website. Bands (MHz): 3.5,7. Exchange: RST, Xmtr type, power, name. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.antiquewireless.org/>

10 Meter RTTY Contest--Digital, from Dec 4, 0000Z to Dec 4, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 28. Exchange: RST and state or province or serial. Logs due: Dec 15. Rules <http://www.rttycontesting.com/the10meterrttycontest.html>

ARS Spartan Sprint--CW, from Dec 6, 0200Z to Dec 6, 0400Z. Monthly on the first Monday evening local time. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, and power. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.arsqrp.blogspot.com/>

VHF+ CONTESTS

SKCC Straight Key Sprint--CW, from Nov 23, 0000Z to Nov 23, 0200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50, Frequencies: Monthly on the fourth Wednesday UTC. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, name, SKCC nr or power. Logs due: 5 days. Rules http://www.skccgroup.com

==> LOG DUE DATES

23 November through 6 December

- November 27 - SARL Field Day Contest
<http://www.sarl.org.za/public/contests/SARL_2011_Contest%20Manual_issue_9.pdf>
- November 27 - Run for the Bacon QRP Contest
<http://www.fpqrp.org/pigrun/>
- November 27 - High Speed Club CW Contest
<http://www.highspeedclub.org/>
- November 28 - 10-10 Int. Fall Contest, Digital
<http://www.ten-ten.org/Forms/QSOPartyRules_082710.pdf>
- November 28 - WAE DX Contest, RTTY
<http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/contest/waedc/en/rules/>
- November 29 - 50 MHz Fall Sprint
<http://www.svhfs.org/2011fallsprintrulesv1.pdf>
- November 30 - JARTS WW RTTY Contest
<http://jarts.web.fc2.com/2011/rules2011.html>
- November 30 - W/VE Islands QSO Party
<http://www.usislands.org/contest_rules.html>
- November 30 - SYLRA Contest <http://www.sylra.is/>
- December 1 - Feld Hell Sprint
<http://sites.google.com/site/feldhellclub/Home/contests>
- December 1 - OK/OM DX Contest, CW <http://okomdx.crk.cz/g.html>
- December 1 - CQ-WE Contest <http://cqwe.cboh.org/rules.html>
- December 3 - YO International PSK31 Contest
<http://www.yo5crq.ro/Rules2011EN.htm>
- December 5 - RSGB 2nd 1.8 MHz Contest, CW
<http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2011/r2nd-160m-2011.shtml>
- December 6 - Ukrainian DX Contest
<http://www.ucc.zp.ua/urdxc2011rules_eng.htm>
- December 6 - ARRL Sweepstakes Contest, SSB
<http://www.arrl.org/sweepstakes>
- December 6 - NA Collegiate ARC Championship, SSB
<http://www.collegiatechampionship.org/rules/>

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There will be no ARRL Audio News <http://www.arrl.org/arrl-audio-news>
this week. The Audio News will return December 1, 2011.

==> ARRL HEADQUARTERS TO CLOSE FOR THANKSGIVING HOLIDAYS

ARRL Headquarters will be closed November 24 and 25 in observance of
Thanksgiving. There will be no W1AW bulletins or code practice
transmissions <http://www.arrl.org/w1aw-operating-schedule> those days.
The ARRL Letter <http://www.arrl.org/arrlletter/> will be published a
day early on Wednesday, November 23, but there will be no ARRL Audio
News <http://www.arrl.org/arrl-audio-news> on Thursday, November 24.
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ARRL Headquarters will reopen Monday, November 28 at 8 AM Eastern Standard Time. We wish everyone a safe and bountiful Thanksgiving holiday.

==> ON THE AIR: FCC RELEASES NEW RULES FOR 60 METERS

On November 18, the FCC released a Report and Order (R&O), defining new rules for the 60 meter (5 MHz) band. The new rules will not go into effect until 30 days after being published in the Federal Register, which has not yet happened. These rules are in response to a Petition for Rulemaking filed by the ARRL filed more than five years ago, and a June 2010 Notice of Proposed Rulemaking. In the R&O, the FCC replaced one of the channels, increased the maximum authorized power amateur stations may transmit and authorized amateur stations to use three additional emission designators. Read more here <FCC_Seal.JPG>.

==> DELTA DIVISION SEES LEADERSHIP CHANGE; MIDWEST, ATLANTIC DIVISIONS UNCHANGED

On November 18, ballots were counted in the races for Director in the Atlantic, Delta and Midwest Divisions. This year, there were only three contested races for Director or Vice Director in the five Divisions holding elections. In the Delta Division, Vice Director David Norris, K5UZ, defeated Director Mickey Cox, K5MC, for the top slot in that Division. Bill Edgar, N3LLR, won re-election as the Director in the Atlantic Division. Cliff Ahrens, K0CA, also was re-elected in the Midwest Division. Terms for Directors and Vice Directors begin at noon on January 1, 2012 and run for three years. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/delta-division-sees-leadership-change-midwest-atlantic-divisions-unchanged>.

==> PUBLIC SERVICE: WHEN BRUTAL STORM SLAMS ALASKA, HAMS PROVIDE CRITICAL COMMUNICATIONS

Winter storms are nothing new to Alaska, "the Last Frontier." But even infrastructure built to withstand some of the harshest conditions can fail. As a November storm pummeled the small, isolated villages along Alaska's western coast, it knocked out power lines and communications across the region. The only way the villages could communicate with each other -- and with officials and weather forecasters in Fairbanks and Anchorage -- was via ham radio. "The hams were providing critical observations," explained Carven Scott, the Science and Operations Officer at the National Weather Service's office in Anchorage. "We don't have a lot of meteorological observations in the west. We don't have the instruments out there."

Scott told the Alaska Dispatch -- an online-only news service -- that the messages he received from radio amateurs were "deceptively simple": How fast the wind was blowing and from what direction, sea level, wave height, whether it was snowing or raining and the temperature. "These seemingly small details from various villages made a big difference for the weather service," he told the Dispatch. "A lead forecaster told

Scott that 'whatever you do, don't cut it off because this stuff is really helping us.' Through the ham radio network, Scott and his colleagues learned that river ice in Koyuk was backing up and spilling onto the banks, roofs had blown off in Nome, water was surging in Nome, and rain and snow were falling in Shaktoolik and Savoonga." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/when-brutal-storm-slams-alaska-hams-provide-critical-communications>.

==> PUBLIC SERVICE: THE 13TH ANNUAL SKYWARN RECOGNITION DAY SET FOR DECEMBER 3

The 13th Annual SKYWARN Recognition Day (SRD) Special Event will take place Saturday, December 3, 2011. SRD is co-sponsored by the ARRL and the National Weather Service (NWS) as a way to recognize the commitment made by Amateur Radio operators in helping to keep their communities safe. According to SRD Coordinator David Floyd, N5DBZ, Amateur Radio operators can visit their local participating NWS offices, working as teams to contact other hams across the world throughout the 24 hour event. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/the-13th-annual-skywarn-recognition-day-set-for-december-3>.

==> LOGBOOK OF THE WORLD: BACKLOG IS CLEARING

Logbook of The World (LoTW <http://www.arrl.org/logbook-of-the-world>) is continuing to accept and process logs, including logs from this weekend's ARRL November Phone Sweepstakes Contest. Currently, the processing delay is at 30 hours, down from 45 hours last week. As of November 23, there are approximately 857,000 QSOs in 3335 logs still waiting to be processed. If you have already uploaded a log, please do not upload it again; by doing so, you will only add to the queue. Do not send entire logs that contain previously uploaded QSOs; use the date range option when signing logs, selecting only those QSOs in a specific date range to upload to LoTW. By following these guidelines, you'll help LoTW process the backlog at a faster pace. Thanks again for your patience.

==> SPECTRUM DEFENSE: THE ARRL NEEDS YOUR HELP TO PROTECT OUR AMATEUR RADIO SPECTRUM

The third edition for 2011 of Spectrum Defense Matters -- a newsletter aimed at keeping ARRL members updated on issues related to the protection of Amateur Radio frequencies -- was recently published on the ARRL website. This newsletter covers both domestic and international topics related to the Amateur Radio spectrum.

Defending spectrum means protecting the way each of us chooses to enjoy Amateur Radio. It is important to have VHF/UHF allocations when radio amateurs are called upon to provide support during communications emergencies. But Amateur Radio is primarily a personal radio service where licensees have great latitude to develop their skills, experiment

to broaden their knowledge base, serve their communities and to simply have fun. Your financial support is vital to continue the ARRL's work to protect your operating privileges. You can help to protect these privileges by contributing generously to the 2011 ARRL Spectrum Defense Fund. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/the-arrl-needs-your-help-to-protect-our-amateur-radio-spectrum>.

==> ON THE AIR: REACH FOR THE TOP IN THE ARRL 160 METER CONTEST

While Solar Cycle 24 is making the high bands the focal point for HF operators <http://www.arrl.org/news/attention-techs-10-meters-is-hot>, 160 meters -- often called "Top Band" -- is still chock-full of DX. There's no better time to explore this fun and exciting band than the ARRL 160 Meter Contest <http://www.arrl.org/160-meter>, running the weekend of December 2-4.

The ARRL 160 Meter Contest is an all-CW event. The object of the contest is for DX stations to contact American and Canadian stations (and vice versa). And according to ARRL Contest Branch Manager Sean Kutzko, KX9X, everyone will be seeking you, especially if you live in a rare Section such as North Dakota, Nebraska or any of the rare Sections from November's Sweepstakes contests. In this contest, Alaska (KL7) and Hawaii (KH6) count as DX, as do the Caribbean US possessions (KP1-KP5) and all of the Pacific Ocean territories (KH0-KH9).

"If you don't have an antenna for 160, you should just load up whatever you have through an antenna tuner and give 'top band' a try," Kutzko said. "Even a 40 meter dipole through a tuner will make QSOs. And since ARRL and RAC Sections are each worth 2 points and count as multipliers, the ARRL 160 Meter Contest is a good way to begin working -- or finishing up! -- your Worked All States (WAS <http://www.arrl.org/was>) award. But don't forget about those DX stations: each DXCC entity is a multiplier and is worth 5 points."

The 2011 ARRL 160 Meter Contest <http://www.arrl.org/160-meter> runs from 2200 UTC Friday, December 2 through 1559 UTC Sunday, December 4. Logs must be e-mailed <160meter@arrl.org> or postmarked no later than 1600 UTC Tuesday, January 3, 2012. Paper logs should be sent to ARRL 160 Meter Contest, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111.

==> SUPPORT ARRL: ANNUAL CFC CAMPAIGN IS UNDERWAY

For the past 10 years, the US Office of Personnel Management has designated the ARRL to participate in the Combined Federal Campaign (CFC <http://www.opm.gov/cfc/>). In that time, this campaign for federal government civilian employees, US Postal Service workers and members of the military has generated more than $191,000 for ARRL programs since it first became an option for giving by federal employees to the League. The CFC provides an easy way to support the ARRL's effort to represent its members and all radio amateurs.

Similar to the United Way, the CFC encourages individuals to pledge by payroll deduction to non-profit organizations of their choice. The ARRL encourages eligible radio amateurs to consider the League when designating campaign recipients. Payroll deduction through the CFC is an easy way for participants to support ARRL over and above their annual membership. Such contributions support programs that are not funded by member dues, enriching ARRL's ability to serve its members and all of Amateur Radio. Those wishing to select the ARRL to receive all or part of their payroll deductions should designate organization 10099 when completing their CFC donor forms. Donations to ARRL can be designated for Diamond Club contributions, the ARRL Spectrum Defense Fund or the ARRL Education & Technology Program. Donors may also make unrestricted contributions to the League. The 2012 CFC Campaign ends December 15.

One important note: Since the CFC does not provide the ARRL with the names of individual donors, the ARRL Development Office would appreciate a copy of the donor form to ensure that each contribution is applied according to the donor's wishes and the contribution or pledge can be properly acknowledged. Please e-mail <mmacdonald@arrl.org> or fax a copy of your completed pledge form to 860-594-0259.

==> AMATEUR RADIO FUN: BE A STAR! ENTER THE SECOND ANNUAL ARRL VIDEO CONTEST

If you've ever wanted a way to show the world how exciting Amateur Radio can be, here's your chance: The ARRL is sponsoring its Second Annual Video Contest! Here's a chance to put that video camera to use: Shoot a ham radio-related video and send it our way. If your video takes first, second or third place, we'll post it on the ARRL website for everyone to see. We're looking for a few good videos (but only one per ARRL member, please) on any tasteful subject relating to Amateur Radio. While you are welcome to submit a video on any theme, we're especially looking for videos that illustrate the joy and excitement of Amateur Radio. Videos will be judged on overall quality and composition, and prizes will be awarded. This year, the ARRL will be offering two categories: Professional and Amateur. The Professional category is intended for entrants who are professional videographers or those who have access to professional-grade video equipment and software. Both categories will have prizes for first, second and third place. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/be-a-star-enter-the-second-annual-arrl-video-contest>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "We drove off into the sunset <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5_7C0QGkiVo>" Cook, K7RA, reports: There is not much in the way of solar excitement this week. While there are many sunspots, the solar activity in terms of flares or coronal mass ejections is low. The overlapping (by one day) average sunspot numbers in this bulletin declined 21 points to 124. We should see good conditions for the CQ Worldwide DX Contest, which runs this weekend

(November 26-27). The latest prediction from USAF/NOAA shows the solar flux at 140 on November 23, 145 on November 24-27, 150 on November 28-29, 155 on November 30, 160 December 1-2, and 165 December 3-7. The predicted planetary A index is 5 on November 23-27, 7 on November 28-29, and then 5 on November 30-December 24. Look for more information on the ARRL website on Monday, November 28. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by Arlo Guthrie's Alice's Restaurant <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Alice%E2%80%99s_Restaurant>.

==> SECTION MANAGER ELECTIONS: FALL SECTION MANAGER ELECTION RESULTS

ARRL members in New Mexico, Tennessee, and Michigan will have new Section Managers, beginning January 1, 2012. Members in Kansas also re-elected their Section Manager in a balloted race that concluded when ballots were counted and verified at ARRL Headquarters on Tuesday, November 22. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/fall-section-manager-election-results>.

==> ARRL AND AMATEUR RADIO FEATURED ON FOX NEWS

In a story published on the Fox News website on November 22, reporter Michelle Macaluso called Amateur Radio the "newest trend in American communication." Macaluso cited numbers provided by the FCC that proclaimed that in October 2011, there were more than 700,000 radio amateurs in the US. Read the story here <http://www.foxnews.com/scitech/2011/11/17/radio-days-are-back-ham-radio-licenses-at-all-time-high/?cmpid=cmty_email_Gigya_Radio_Days_Are_Back%3A_Ham_Radio_Licenses_at_an_All-Time_High> on the Fox News website.

==> THIS WEEK ON THE RADIO

This week:

- November 26-27 -- CQ Worldwide DX Contest (CW)
- November 27 -- SARL Digital Contest
- December 1 -- QRP ARCI Topband Sprint

Next week:

- December 2 -- NCCC Sprint
- December 2-4 -- ARRL 160 Meter Contest <http://www.arrl.org/160-meter>
- December 3 -- TARA RTTY Melee; Wake-Up! QRP Sprint
- December 3-4 -- TOPS Activity Contest
- December 4 -- 10 Meter RTTY Contest
- December 6 -- ARS Spartan Sprint

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update

<http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- December 3-4, 2011 -- ARRL West Central Florida Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-central-florida-section-convention-tampa-bay-hamfest-1>,
Palmetto, Florida
- January 8, 2012 -- ARRL New York/Long Island Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/new-york-long-island-section-convention-ham-radio-university-2012>,
Bethpage, New York
- January 27-28, 2012 -- ARRL Mississippi State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/mississippi-state-convention-capitol-city-hamfest-1>,
Jackson, Mississippi
- February 4, 2012 -- ARRL Virginia State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/virginia-state-convention-frostfest-2012>,
Richmond, Virginia; ARRL South Carolina State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/south-carolina-state-convention-1>,
Ladson, South Carolina
- February 10-12, 2012 -- ARRL Northern Florida Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/northern-florida-section-convention-orlando-hamcation-1>,
Orlando, Florida
- February 17-18, 2012 -- ARRL Southwestern Division Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southwestern-division-convention-1>,
Yuma, Arizona
- February 18, 2012 -- ARRL Arkansas Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arkansas-section-convention-1>, Hoxie,
Arkansas
- February 25, 2012 -- ARRL Vermont State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/vermont-state-convention-ham-con-2>,
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WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING NOVEMBER 27 2011.

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WIA Emergency Communications Operator training program:
WIA News Editor Graham Kemp VK4BB reports.

RMS Titanic special call sign EI100T:
IRTS NewsMan Aidan Noone EI7JC reports.

THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
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ACMA Proposes Cost Increases: WIA Costs Not Affected

A number of amateurs have drawn attention to the ACMA's current review of
certain of its costs and its proposal to increase some costs affecting amateurs.

In particular, in general terms, it is proposed to increase the costs of Advanced Standard and Foundation exams or assessments conducted by the ACMA by 68% or 69%

Under the Commonwealth Cost Recovery Guidelines the ACMA is bound to review these costs every 5 years and the last time this was done was in 2007. These cost increases will affect only the cost charged by the ACMA and not the cost charged by the WIA for providing the same service. Under its agreement with the WIA there are only two situations where the ACMA, rather than the WIA, will provide any of these exam or callsign services. One is where the ACMA has reasonable grounds for believing that a qualified operator will probably be unable to pass an examination, part of a process leading to the cancellation of a licence. The other situation is where the WIA ceases to provide the services.

The WIA has no intention of giving up its functions in respect of the qualification of amateurs or the recommendation of callsigns.

Under its arrangements with the ACMA the WIA is bound by the Commonwealth Cost Recovery Guidelines, except that its costs are reviewed every year. The costs taken into account incurred by the WIA in setting its charges include all the direct and indirect costs, such as salaries referable to providing the services, paper, postage, phone costs, insurance, security costs referable to providing the services, storage of records, even the costs of printing the actual certificates of proficiency that the WIA issues.

Why are the WIA costs so much less than the ACMA costs? For the simple reason that so much is done on a voluntary basis. All the Assessors and Learning Facilitators, the WIA's RTO and the many others involved one way or another give their time. Knowing how much it costs the WIA in fact to provide the services is very important in two ways. One is that it is not in the interests of amateur radio for the costs of becoming an amateur to be more than the minimum. The other is that if the WIA is charging less than the actual cost it incurs it means that its members are paying for the shortfall, which will ultimately lead to even further membership fee increases.

The cost of an amateur licence is made up of two components, the costs incurred by the ACMA in managing the system, and a tax component. In accordance with the Cost Recovery Guidelines , the ACMA is bound to increase the management cost component by the cost increases it has incurred. That is why it is proposed to increase the cost of amateur licences by $5.

As is the case for the WIA charges, the cost increases proposed by the ACMA depend on fact: has the cost it incurs to provide a service increased and if so by how much?

The WIA believes that it is unlikely that the ACMA will be unable to demonstrate the cost increase it asserts. The WIA also believes that once again the value of the contribution of so many to the examination system that it manages for the ACMA is amply demonstrated.

To date well over 100 emergency communications operators across Australia have been training via the WIA Emergency Communications Operator training program.

This program, Certificate II in public safety (SES Operations), is now available "on line" and can be completed as a self-paced program. The WIA registration requirements apply. The process to undertake the course can be commenced by completing the WIA on line application form found on the WIA web site.

https://www.wia.org.au/members/emcom/emcomregisteronline/

The on line program will assist those wishing to complete the program but are unable to attend a formal training session our those who have missed a section of the training as well as those who want to complete the program and provide a service to their community.

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news
Email Address : r_demkiw@yahoo.com.au

Dave Jones' EEV Blog is one of YouTube's top-rating channels for electronic engineers, with a huge viewership world-wide.

Added on November 20 is a half-hour documentary on Sydney's Manley-Warringah Amateur Radio Society.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ysv4SNLwM20

Dave tours the VK2MB clubrooms and interviews members on facets including software defined radio, Jamboree of the Air, repeaters, CW, the Foundation license and more.

After less than 24 hour online it already had attracted over 300 views and 23 'likes'. The professionally - produced EEV Blog has numerous other videos of interest to the electronics experimenter, all presented in Dave's unique enthusiastic style.

(Peter VK3YE)

Display of Electric Vehicles

Peter VK2BEU via VK2WI News tells us the Australian Electric Vehicle Association is holding its annual Field Day on the 3rd of December at the Rouse Hill Town Centre.

On display will be a number of road-going electric cars which have been converted from petrol models by members of the association. There will also be on display some commercial and specialty electric vehicles. Amateurs with an interest in electric traction can catch up with what's happening in this emerging field of vehicle propulsion.

The date again is Saturday the 3rd of December. The location is the Rouse Hill Town Centre, out the front near the bus station. The hours are 10am to 3pm and entry is free.

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/

Police Roundup http://www.vicpolicenews.com.au/

A good week ahead for VK100ARV!

With a steadily growing log the Amateur Radio Victoria Centenary special call sign of VK100ARV is headed for another week of action.

Thanks to the WANSARC team, Terry Murphy VK3UP, Michele Grant VK3FEAT, Peter Freeman VK3PF, Keith Proctor VK3FT, Scout Radio and Electronics Service Unit, Luke Steele VK3HJ, Joe Walsh VK3XH, Tony Hambling VK3VTH, Stephen Ireland VK3SIR, Sunraysia Radio Group and Peter Cossins VK3BFG for activating VK100ARV.

Vk100ARV was buoyed last weekend by activations occurring in two VK3 National Parks: Baw Baw and Brisbane Ranges.

The Western and Northern Suburbs Amateur Radio Club are also activating VK100ARV in their weekly 2-metre simplex net in addition to the Clubs earlier successful five day stint.

The Sunraysia Amateur Radio Group from Mildura is to give it an airing up until late on Saturday November 26, followed by Tony VK3VTH who can be heard today. (Sunday November 27)

Each Monday evening the Digital Slow Scan Television gang led by VK3SIR uses the special call sign. It will be on air this Monday November the 28th both through the VK3RML repeater and hopefully on 20-metres.

By this weekend it will have over 3000 contacts in its log. The Amateur Radio Victoria Centenary Award special call sign VK100ARV is worth a bonus Ten points or ordinary two points per valid contact.

Check out the roster and rules at www.amateurradio.com.au

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

VK4
LISTEN TO QNEWS
wiaq.com/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3

Welcome to QNews from VK4WIA. I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP, and I've been thinking.

Has the time come for us to get rid of our monthly magazine and our weekly broadcasts as well as our club newsletters?

Is it time to just depend on RSS feeds and Tweets? Has the cyber technology expunged the need for mass produced information?

Some years ago, I can remember people saying that the Internet had replaced the role of amateur radio. Similarly, I can remember that when single sideband was in its infancy, both in land mobile and amateur services that people were forecasting the demise of AM - fondly remembered as ancient modulation. Broadcasting still makes good use of AM as do amateurs who are using newer methods and technology to explore this mode.

One thing that news broadcasts and publications provide is an aggregated view a mass of items presented coherently. With the use of multiple platforms our amateur news services do bring the world to our shacks. This is only true if people are prepared to share their local news and not just horde it on their own web site. In doing this they are ensuring that others have to find it and cannot complain that outsiders don't know. This is reversing the idea of the global village.

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think....how about you?

CLUBBING

Submitting news items

If you would like to submit news items for inclusion in the
QNEWS broadcasts, please email your item in text to qnews@wia.org.au

Submit audio, read "how to submit items" on the weekly WIA news page.
http://www.wia.org.au/members/broadcast/upload/

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being broadcast in the very next edition of QNEWS.

BUNDABERG

Well it's good news from the Bundaberg Amateur Radio Club about its recent October weekend of celebrations.

The club's 50th Anniversary Reunion Luncheon was held on Saturday the 8th and then on Sunday the 9th we hosted the WIA Qld President's function.

The weekend began with an early morning tour of the Mt Goonaneman VK4RBU Repeater site. The visitors had a brisk walk up the mountainside and it was a pity that low level cloud shrouded the site and obscured the grand views.

That cloud soon turned into a violent rain and electrical storm so it was a quick dash back to town for the Reunion Luncheon where the B.A.R.C. president hosted almost 60 guests.

Due to the storm the venue suffered some long power outages but with only a slight delay the Chef managed to put together a sensational lunch and the day was enjoyed by all. Our raffles and prizes were mostly won by visitors so we spread good cheer far and wide.

The Sunday event was a working President's day which got underway after the WIA News. The Qld club representatives had a chance to hear from, and present reports to, the WIA President Michael Owen, WIA Boardmember Ewan McLeod and Mike Charteris from the Queensland Advisory Committee.

The weekend closed with a fine BBQ lunch for those attending the President's Meeting then it was time for many depart for home although we hear some travellers stayed on for a few days.

Thank you to all who attended and helped us celebrate our 50th.

There are plenty photos of the weekend events at the club's B-A-R-C website, that's barc.asn.au

This has been VK4UD with the Bundaberg news

IPSWICH

This is Allan VK4FABR with an update from the Ipswich and District Radio Club.

Last Monday November 21 an extraordinary general meeting of the club was held to elect a new president and vice president.

A good representation of nearly 20 members were in attendance and after a number of nominations from the floor a show of hands, Darrin VK4FVRX was elected as club president, Glen VK4FARR as vice president, while Jamie VK4JY has taken on the role of secretary with Darrin's move to president.

As this was an extraordinary meeting our trusty treasurer John VK4IE continues in the role as there was no requirement for that position to be put to a fresh vote.

The club like to thank honorary vice-president councillor Andrew Antoniolli for chairing the meeting, WIA director Ewan VK4ERM for attending and representing the WIA and former president Derek VK4MIA and vice president Paul VK4FPDW.

Members and visitors can keep up to date with the latest club news, repeater information and other events and contests on the club website - vk4wip.com

Reporting from Ipswich, this is Allan VK4FABR

RADAR

Greetings from the Rockhampton and District Amateur Radio Club, the RADAR Club.

I'm Les VK4VIL.

Last Saturday night, the Club held its annual Dinner, which, keeping with tradition, had a Christmas theme.

Attendance was great, with almost 70 people present on the night.

Bill, VK4XZ from the Sunshine Coast travelled by tilt train for the event, taking home with him a flash multimeter prize donated by Gary VK4FGZA. Other attendees on the night represented Gladstone, Mackay and Central Highlands clubs.

As well as the great raffles led by Gary and Gordon VK4GM, guests realized some real bargains from a super auction and Bob VK4HRC tested our knowledge with a brain twisting quiz.

There was something for everyone, including presents and giveaway for the children, who added to the atmosphere.

Congratulations to Clive VK4ACC who is customarily responsible for arranging the event. Clive also added to the Club's coffers by donating a dual band hand held as a prize. Definitely a top night.

December's general meeting is the Club's last event for 2011 and is affectionately known as "ladies night". Male members of the club are encouraged to bring their partners along, with an informal social following the basic, essential business. It's interesting to note that female members usually take their partners to all general meetings, Hi Hi. Well done, ladies.

Until next time, or next year, this is Les VK4VIL on behalf of the Rockhampton and District Amateur Radio Club.

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www.hamcollege.com.au

CRARC Foundation/Upgrade Weekend held 19th/20th November,

VK1 successfully saw 5 New Foundation Licensees , two were very capable 12 year olds who are itching to get on the air.
They also saw 6 successful upgrade candidates and 1 new Advanced licensee join the ranks.

A job well done by all!- Congratulations!!

Help grow amateur radio

Know someone interested in becoming a radio amateur? The next quality Foundation Licence weekend held by Amateur Radio Victoria, at Ashburton, is on the weekend of December the 3rd and 4th.

Contact Barry Robinson VK3PV 0428 516 001 or email foundation@amateurradio.com.au

A new Radio Shack out at Terri and Brian's Birkdale Brisbane home belongs to PW (Peter William).

VK4FYMC is also into the Army Cadets, Australian Cadet Unit 136 Redlands

Congrats P.W.

The Shack is now officially open!

DISCUSSION POINT

What use is an f-call?

I've had my license for about a minute and a half, but one thing I realised today is that I'd never heard of Amateur Radio in any meaningful sense until a month before I got my license.

I'm technically minded, have worked in broadcast radio for many years, I'm heavily involved in Information Technology, do Research and Development daily and talk to many people about skill development, training and communication. I've been self-employed for over a decade, but I'd never heard of Amateur Radio.

Imagine that.

One realisation I came to is that I'm not alone in this historic lack of knowledge about Amateur Radio. I think that going out on Field Days with a club, going into the community, finding other like-minded individuals and

getting them excited about Amateur Radio is going to open up a whole new group of Amateurs.

For me, I've already started creating a list of clubs and communities I'm aware of, or even a member of and I've started thinking about how to communicate about this hobby, what it means for the individual participating and for the community in which that individual lives - because let's not forget that Amateur Radio is also about the wider community.

Amateur Radio, what a hobby. Tell your friends.

I'm Onno, vk6flab

INTERNATIONAL NEWS NOW FROM THE IRTS/ARNEWSLINE/RSGB

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IRTS NEWS DESK

RMS Titanic

RMS Titanic, the world's largest passenger ship at the time, sank on her maiden voyage from Southampton to New York, following a collision with an iceberg, at approximately 0245 on the morning of April 15th 1912.

1,517 people lost their lives in the tragedy.

The sinking will be marked by several special event stations at ports associated with the ships maiden voyage.

These include Belfast, Southampton, Cherbourg, Cobh, Cape Race, VO1MCE and a maritime mobile station, VE0MGY, at the site of the sinking.

The call sign EI100T has been issued for the year 2012 and will operate in co-operation with the Cobh Titanic 100 Committee.

The main events will happen over the weekend of April 13/14th and EI100T will also be operated regularly throughout the year.

A special award will be announced before the end of December in conjunction with the other special event locations.

Enquiries and QSLs to EI4HQ QTHR.

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

HAMS LAUDED IN THE WAKE OF EARLY SEASON ALASKA STORM

Ham radio has been highlighted in the November 12th issue of the Alaska Dispatch. This after an early season storm hit the most-Northern state. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, has the details:

According to the news article, when it became clear the Bering Sea storm was going to be a major severe weather incident the National Weather Service got

word out to Alaska's amateur radio network that it wanted help. And as crashing waves pounded beaches, the people who live in the remote, isolated villages along the storm's path stayed connected via a web created by Alaska's ham radio community.

When other communications failed, ham radio operators came to the rescue. Throughout the storm, they were the eyes for scientists and weather forecasters in Fairbanks and Anchorage who otherwise would have been isolated from the severe weather conditions they could predict but not see.

Carven Scott, is a forecaster with the National Weather Service in Anchorage. He told the newspaper that it was hams that were providing critical observations as the storm blew past. Scott noted that the N-W-S does not have much in the way of meteorological observation equipment in the western part of the state but hams kept his agency alerted to the latest conditions in remote areas. This included such data as how fast the wind was blowing and from what direction; wave height; whether it was snowing or raining; and the temperature. Scott says that these seemingly small details from various villages made a big difference for the weather service in its predictions.

Scott credits Richard Courtney, NL9H, as the ham radio operator who came up with the idea of an alliance between Alaska's ham community and the weather forecasters. Scott said that he had for some time thought that amateur radio would be a good communications supplement. With the Bering Sea storm approaching the Alaska coast, Scott said that they decided to give it a shot.

Scott told the newspaper that through the ham radio network he and his colleagues learned that river ice in Koyuk was backing up and spilling onto the banks. Also that roofs had blown off and water was surging in Nome, and rain and snow were falling in several other villages.

The story also highlights the work of Martin Ruud, WL7MR, in the city of Nome. >From Tuesday night as the storm approached through the following Thursday morning WL7MR forwarded messages from islands and other coastal communities. The newspaper says that Ruud had draped sleeping bags over his windows to protect himself and his equipment in case a wind gust shattered the glass. Outside, a 160-meter loop antenna stood ready atop four telephone poles the city of Nome gave to him for free, knowing he could put people in contact with the outside world when other methods failed.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the Newsroom in Los Angeles.

The entire story of ham radios role in this major Alaskan winter severe weather outburst can be read on-line at tinyurl.com/alaska-storm

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RSGB VOICED BY G4NJH

Logbook of the World delay reduced

Logbook of The World http://www.arrl.org/logbook-of-the-world
is continuing to accept and process logs, including logs from this

weekend's ARRL November Phone Sweepstakes Contest.

Currently, the processing delay is at 30 hours, down from 45 hours last week as heard in the audio version of the vk1wia newscast.

As of November 23, there were approximately 857,000 QSOs in 3335 logs still waiting to be processed.

If you have already uploaded a log, please do not upload it again; by so doing, you will only add to the queue. Do not send entire logs that contain previously uploaded QSOs; use the date range option when signing logs, selecting only those QSOs in a specific date range to upload to LoTW. By following these guidelines, you'll help LoTW process the backlog at a faster pace.

Thanks again for your patience.

Christmas posting deadlines loom

The Christmas posting deadlines are fast approaching for overseas book orders from the RSGB.

The first deadline is 1st December for Rest of the World airmail orders, that includes those in VK/ZL then 3rd December for Western Europe. Air mail orders to North America and Western Europe must be placed by 8th December.

All these dates can be found on the RSGB website within the RSGB Shop.

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WEIRD AND WONDERFUL

Cold War Echo

The Russia Today YouTube News Channel carried an interesting story about the mysterious Russian 'Buzzer' station on 4625 kHz.

Cold War Echo: Unravelling mysterious radiowave UVB-76

Among the hundreds of radio stations in Russia, there is one that is seemingly out-of-this-world. Instead of music or news, these broadcasts are of mysterious voices and noises which have radio enthusiasts baffled.

It leaves some wondering what's the message behind these noises.

RT's Yegor Piskunov's tuned-in.

(audio courtesy of southgate news)

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2011

Nov 26-27 WIA Spring VHF-UHF Field Day is THIS weekend.

2012

January VK Ross Hull Memorial VHF UHF Contest

March 17-18 VK JOHN MOYLE MEMORIAL FIELD DAY

June Long Weekend (vk4 time) VK Shires Contest.

July First full weekend NZART Memorial Contest

August VK Remembrance Day Contest

August 18-19 WW International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend.

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

(A note from Nina DL2GRC - VK2INZ this in text edition only)

"You may have heard that my company Bosch was founded by Robert Bosch senior 125 years ago.

We organised a special call sign In Memoriam of Robert Bosch's 150th birthday (which would have been in September 2011) - which is DK150RB.

OM Holger and I will bring it on air this Sunday, 27th November, between 7:30 UTC and 11 UTC. (4.30pm Sydney daylight saving time.)

>From 7:30 UTC till 9 UTC we will turn our beam towards VK to work VK-Stations on 20/15meters.

PSK31 or Olivia would be also possible.

We will be at the station of the Bosch headquarter in Stuttgart.

(vk2dot)

Possible amateur radio activity from Myanmar (Burma)

Simon, HS0ZIB/G6JFY, says that his QTH in Thailand is only a few hours' drive to Myanmar, and he has regularly visited the country.

His hotel/guesthouse businesses have enabled him to obtain initial contact with authorities from the Myanmar Ministry of Post and Telecommunications about an initial, "demonstration" DXpedition.

Simon mentions, "The recent political changes in Myanmar have increased the possibility of operating an amateur radio station from Myanmar. My own position enables me to operate on a regular basis, if this were allowed."

Good to see a non-professional shall we say dx activity instead of the all to frequent dx pedtitions that often run into problems and end up (hopefully) refunding their supporters!

Southgate ham heading for Ascension Island

Southgate Amateur Radio Club member Steve White, G3ZVW/AF6SU, will once again be active as ZD8N from Ascension Island (IOTA AF-003, WLOTA 1491) until 2 December.

He has been off the island for almost three years.

Activity will be on 80-10 metre CW, SSB and the Digital modes.

He is also expected to participate in the CQWW DX CW Contest this weekend (26-27 November).

QSL via his home call sign G3ZVW.

A quick reminder to members and visitors of the Oxley Region Amateur Radio Club.

The club conducts two nets each week on the 146.7MHz VK2RPM 2 metre repeater.

The mid-week net takes place at 7:30 pm on Tuesday nights.

The weekend net takes place at 8:30 am on Sunday mornings.

(vk2wi)

We have had Lighthouses, Museums, Railway stations Mountain Tops all as venues for special awards well now comes word of R.S.O.P.A.

Rest Stops On The Air

And there must be literally millions around the world!

Jon, N5JLD and John, KF5FEI activated the Burleson Texas Rest Area as part of the Rest Stops On The Air on 24 November.

The rest stop was located on Interstate 35W @ exit 31 Grid Square Em 12 il North Bound, South of Burleson at Milepost: 33

Might we suggest to find out more about "Rest Stops" you contact Jon N5JLD

www.n5jld.net

AWARDS

Awards on offer to all

The Keith Roget Memorial National Parks Award and the much sought after Amateur Radio Victoria Centenary Award certificates are now available and on display.

The Keith Roget Memorial National Parks Award updated certificate features a back-drop of one of the Victorian National Parks that has been kindly provided by avid VK3 National Parks activator, Peter Fraser VK3ZPF.

Award Manager, Tony Hambling VK3VTH, advised that a total of 17 National Park activations occurred over the four days taking in last weekend (November 18-21).

So successful was the National Parks activation weekend that it will be repeated in 2012.

Meantime the limited-edition Amateur Radio Victoria Centenary Award has an historic montage and defining text that tells how the state-wide organisation began 100 years ago.

The rules and images of these two exciting awards can be found in the "Award" section of the Amateur Radio Victoria website www.amateurradio.com.au

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

MEDIA WATCH
www.cq-amateur-radio.com/WorldRadio.html
VK Club Bulletins http://groups.yahoo.com/group/aarnie/

Another look at the December edition of Amateur Radio magazine

The VK9HR Lord Howe Island DXpedition as explained John Chalkiarakis VK3YP.

Western Victoria hosts the JOTA and JOTI reports Ash Clark VK3SSB.

Paul McMahon VK3DIP has a four element six metre Yagi, Justin Giles-Clark VK7TW looks at modern communication technologies, and the New Zealander behind the build-a-thon comes to New South Wales.

In the 17th instalment of Foundation Corner, Ross Pittard VK3CE discusses the basic digital communication, or Morse code.

The WIA Summer Field Day and Ross Hull Contests, John Martin VK3KM has details, plus news on the Expanding World of VHF & UHF.

Regular columns are there too from ALARA, AMSAT, Contests, DX News and the Spotlight on SWLing.

Amateur Radio magazine, a WIA journal and membership service. It's also available at selected news agents.

I'm Barry Robinson VK3PV and you are listening to VK1WIA

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ATV (Every pixel tells a story) - Video
arvideonews.com
hamradiotube.com
youtube.com
qdg.org.au

Free SSTV Online Book

Martin OK2MNM has made his new book "Image Communication on Short Waves" available free on the web.

You can either read it online or download the chapters in PDF format.

Image Communication on Short Waves can be found at
http://www.sstv-handbook.com/

You can join the MMSSTV Yahoo Group at
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/MM-SSTV/

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

AMSAT-VK UNOFFICIAL HF Net.
2nd Sunday each month.
April through October 1000 UTC 3.685 MHz
November through March 0900 UTC 7.068 MHz

ARISSat-1 MAY DE-ORBIT IN APRIL 2012

According to predictions from Mineo Wakita, JE9PEL, the ARISSat-1 satellite is due to re-enter Earth's atmosphere in early April 2012. Launched from the International Space Station on August 8, the satellite is traveling in a low orbit and is steadily losing altitude. The rate of orbital decay may be accelerated by increasing atmospheric density caused by increased solar activity.

With that factor in mind, some ARISSat-1 decay predictions suggest re-entry as early as February 1. ARISSat-1 remains quite active, sending voice messages, digital telemetry and Slow Scan TV images. Amateurs have also been able to enjoy contacts through ARISSat-1's linear transponder despite the fact that the UHF antenna was apparently damaged prior to (or during) deployment.

AMSAT-NA has a competition to see who can record the last bits of telemetry as ARISSat-1 makes its final plunge. To decode the CW or BPSK telemetry you must use the ARISSATTLM software for Windows or Mac OS.

The CW signal is transmitted at 145,919 MHz and the BPSK signal appears at 145.920 MHz, plus or minus Doppler.

(sarl)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RESCUE RADIO
IARU REGION 3
Emergency Centre of Activity (CoA) frequencies
3.600, 7.110, 14.300, 18.160 and 21.360 MHz

The Super Murray Marathon is a canoe race held along the Murray River between Yarrawonga and Swan Hill. Each year WICEN Victoria provide communication and logistic support using HF and 2 metre equipped portable stations at intervals along the banks of the river.

This year, WICEN Victoria would like to invite all WIA Accredited Emergency Communication Operators to join the event and gain valuable training in emergency communications and message handelling, and also to have some fun.

If you don't have portable HF that is OK, as they can still find a place for you to fit into the team.

You do not need to be a member of WICEN but you do need to be a WIA Accredited Emcomms operator.

The five day event, held between December 27 and 31, is run by the YMCA as a fund raiser for their various activities in the area. During the event youy will be camping as a group at three camp sites provided by the YMCA at Cobram, Echuca and Swan Hill. Camping is easy as the YMCA provides all the food at a very reasonable cost and the YMCA has an event volunteer registration system that helps with catering, camper numbers, T shirt sizes and other admin issues.

A working with children check card is now required, but the YMCA will facilitate this by sending out the application forms to those that register on their website. The card is free for volunteers and will be helpful in the future for JOTA and other amateur radio activities.

If you are interested in training with fellow amateurs and enjoying the best the Murray region has to offer during the holiday time, you can get further

details by contacting the WICEN event organisers.

Graham Mason VK3KMG
Mobile 0417 539 710

Ambulance to be used during severe weather

A report carried in Alabama's Gadsden Times says the tornadoes back in April are a reminder of the need for more eyes on the sky during severe weather.

Now a group of amateur radio operators will be able to have more technology in the field with an ambulance that has been donated for their use.

The Amateur Radio Emergency Services, part of SKYWARN, serves all of Northeast Alabama as trained storm spotters and many of its members usually are in their vehicles driving toward the storms while everyone else is trying to get away.

Joey Davis of the group said amateur radio operators have been around for many years, monitoring and reporting weather conditions.

An old ambulance from Gadsden-Etowah Emergency Medical Services was donated to the organization's group in Cherokee County.

They plan to equip it with radar and computer equipment that will help them better identify areas affected by the storm.

He said the group will be in areas affected by storms and also will have first-aid kits, bottled water and hand sanitizer for those affected, as well as the ability to charge cellphones.

Read the full story with pictures, in the Gadsden Times
http://www.gadsdentimes.com/article/20111120/NEWS/111129996

SOCIAL SCENE

2011

Dec 4 VK7 REAST Christmas Car Boot Sale and end of year festive day:

2012

15TH IARU REGION 3 CONFERENCE hosted by V.A.R.C. in Ho-Chi-Minh City, Vietnam.

JAN 23-FEB 17 YEAR 2012
World Radio Conference WRC-11 Geneva 23rd January TO 17th February 2012

FEB 12 VK3 CentreVictoria Hamfest, Kyneton Racecourse

FEB 26 VK2 CCARC WYONG FIELD DAY

APR 14-15 VK WIA National Field Day.

MAY 3-18 VK5 YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

MAY 25-27 VK3 WIA Annual Conference Mildura

JULY 14 VK4 Wide Bay Hamfest. West Maryborough Scout Hall

Nov 12 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST (ROSEBUD BY THE BAY)

WIA Annual Conference Mildura

May 25th, 26th and 27th 2012

Details for the WIA 2012 Annual Conference being held in Mildura are on wia.org.au

Host club is Sunraysia Radio Group, led by Garry Briant VK3KYF and Noel Ferguson VK3FI.

WIA Members who register for the event will be able to participate in a range of fascinating and memorable activities.

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to submit audio read "how to submit items" in the weekly news page on wia.org.au

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1121. ** MMMonVHF Newsletter / No.1 - WEEK 47/2011 **

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-25 08:57:53 UTC
From: MMMonVHF News Mailer <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <201111250851.pAP8poXk014422@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 3861
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our lastet NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2011-11-25
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter, once a week (thursday)
from now on - if any special activities will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further detail please be so kind and watch our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you vy welcome for any
input and we do hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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** MOST WANTED SQUARES and DXCCs at MMMonVHF **

As you know the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF will be able to provide
expedition with up to date info about MOST WANTED SQUARES (MWS)
and MOST WANTED DXCCs (MWDXCC). Special after big MS Events (eg
the BCC Meteorscatter Contest and GEMINIDS / QUADRATIDS ...)
it make sence that you do yourself and all of us the favour and
check and update your MWS / MWDXCC standing!!! USE the TOOLS:
eMWS (MOST WANTED SQUARES) >>> www.mmmonvhf.de/emws.php
MWDXCC (MOST WANTED DXCC) >>> www.mmmonvhf.de/dxcc.php
SOURCE: The MMMonVHF Team

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: maritime mobil, many Squares ; Start: 2011-11-25 **
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** UT1FG/MM again with a WET GRID ACTIVITY **
Yuri, UT1FG, will once again be traveling across the Atlantic
Ocean and will be active from some "Wet grids" as UT1FG/MM between
November 25th, through the end of May 2012. First trip will be from
the Panama Cannal to Huelva, Spain (EA7), and then to Brunsbuttel,
Germany (From there, he will inform us later). Yuri is reportedly
a crew member on the ship, so activity will be during his free time
Operations are expected on all amateur radio bands, 160-2 meters,

70 cm, and also including the satellite. His activities will be mainly through the satellite, but also look for him on the HF bands He will also be active on 6 meters, conditions permitting. QSL via his home callsign, direct (see QRZ.com), by the Bureau or to his QSL Manager UX0FY. SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1037

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** EVENT Station TM95BV qrv HF and VHF **

The TM95BV team will be active on 27 November 2011 from the Fort de la Chaume (DFCF 55-008, WCA F-02350) to continue the commemoration of the 95th Anniversary of the Battle of Verdun. QRV on the HF and VHF bands, using all modes; starting at 0900hr and ending at 1730hr local time. QSL via F6KUP or direct to F5LPY (with SASE/SAE + sufficient postage). SOURCE: [Radioamateur.org] via ICPO

** T32AU and friends will also operate HF and 50 MHz **

>From 17 January to 2 February 2012, a team of six operators will be active from Kiritimati [Christmas Island] (OC-024, WW Loc. BJ12HA) in Eastern Kiribati. Each team member will operate with their own callsigns, with activity on 160m to 6m CW and SSB. T32WW and T32CO will also operate both RTTY and PSK. The group will put in a full Multi-Op effort for the CQWW 160m CW Contest (27-29 January) as T32XX (QSL via KB8TXZ). The operators are as follows: Dave, VO1AU (T32AU - QSL via VO1MX); Brian, KG8CO (T32CO - QSL via KB8TXZ); Lee, N8LJ (T32LJ - QSL via K8ESQ); Ted, K8AQM (T32TR - QSL via KB8TXZ); Jim, KB8TXZ (T32TX - QSL via KB8TXZ); and Stan, AC8W (T32WW - QSL via KB8TXZ). The team will operate from the same location as the recent T32C DXpedition.
Website: http://www.qrz.com/db/T32AU
SOURCE: ICPO Bulletin (18-25 November 2011)

** VP2E - Anguilla (NA-022) **

Pete, VE3IKV will be active from Anguilla (NA-022) between 25 November and 3 December. He plans to operate as VP2EAT on 40-10 metres during the CQ WW DX CW Contest, and on 17, 12, 10 and 6 metres afterwards. QSL via VE3IKV (direct).
SOURCE: [TNX NG3K] via 425 DX News #1072

** Sierra Leone, 9L, qrv HF and 50 MHz **

A team of German HAMs including DJ8NK, DL5CW, DL9USA, DL2VW and
DJ9RR will be active as 9L0W from the Banana Islands between Nov 22
and Dec 4. Activities will take place in CW, SSB and RTTY on 160m-6m
QSL via DK2WV. SOURCE: DXNL 1754

** St. Lucia, J6, qrv HF and 50 MHz **

Andy, N8OFS, spoke with J69MV a couple of days ago and he is
reporting decent openings on 6m. He had a 4 ele beam for 6m.
Our J6 group will hit the Island on Monday afternoon. We have
a 2 ele SteppIR that will work on 6m. We will have internet
access so if we get on 6m will can spot ourselves. The emphasis
before the contest will be getting ready for the contest. We
have a few days after to operate before we have to tear down.
Mike W0MU. J6M CQ WW DX CW Contest 2011.
SOURCE: Andy N8OFS

** TN9SN qrv from Congo **

TN9SN is the new callsign issued to Nicolas Sinieokoff, ex-TN5SN,
by the new licensing authorithy in the Republic of Congo. He plans
to have it renewed for 2012, as he will be there until July.
SOURCE: [TNX The Daily DX] via Arne SM7AED

** NICARAGUA, YN, qrv HF & 50 MHz **

Mike, AJ9C is QRV as YN2CC until December 5. Activity is on 160 to
6 meters. This includes being a Single Op/All Band entry in the
CQ WW DX CW contest. He also plans to be an entry in the upcoming
ARRL 160-Meter CW contest. QSL to home call.
SOURCE: [DX-ENG] ARLD048 DX news

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** NEWSLETTER-DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF week **

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like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USER who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

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IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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1122. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1789 - November 25 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-25 10:00:14 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20111125100004.18FC833C91@panix2.panix.com>
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Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1789 - November 25 2011

Ladies and gentlemen, with a holiday thank-you, here's our producer
Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF:

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With Thanksgiving upon us, I just wanted to take a moment to say thank
you to all of you who have donated to the Amateur Radio Newsline
Support Fund since our call for assistance made a month ago. Thanks to
your generosity we have exceeded our goal $1000 and it looks like we
may have enough funds to hold us through the winter and maybe even into
early spring. We won't know for sure until we see how expenses are,
but right now it looks rather promising.

Also, at I want to say a special thank you to our regular monthly
contributors some of whom have been with us for years. You may be
small in number, but it's your ongoing support that makes a big
difference in keeping us going and - more important -- keeping us from
having to make weekly or monthly appeals. You know who you are and we
want you to know that you are very much appreciated.

And withn that - to all - a very Happy Thanksgiving from all of us here
at the Amateur Radio Newsline. Now here is this weeks report.

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Thanks Bill. Now, Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1789 with a
release date of Friday, November 25th, 2011 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T.

Ham radio responds to a wildfire in Reno, Nevada; the FCC restructures
the ham radio rules regarding 5 MHz; amateurs are asked to assist in a
space plasma experiment; improved propagation could mean records will
be set in an upcoming contest and a bit of New York City's old Radio
Roe lives on. Find out where on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report
number 1789 coming your way right now

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RESCUE RADIO: HAM RADIO RESPONDS TO NEVADA WILDFIRE

Amateur radio was put on alert when a massive firestorm swept through a
section of South West Reno Nevada. Amateur Radio Newsline's Don

Carlson, KQ6FM, is the Nevada Section Emergency Coordinator and has this first hand report:

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While most of the stories and reporting I do for Amateur Radio Newsline are from far away, this story hit especially close to home.

Shortly after midnight early on Friday morning of November 18th, a firestorm ignited near the affluent southwest Reno area of Caughlin Ranch. While it is currently uncertain exactly caused the blaze, a storm was in the area and with it, winds between 50 an 70 mph. This presented a major problem for firefighters, who were brought in from all over Nevada to assist the Reno Fire Department.

By dawn nearly 200 acres had already been burned destroying many homes in it's path. This brought about the opening of Washoe County's Regional Operations Center. At the request of Emergency Manager Aaron Kenneston, KE7GFF - who is himself a licensed Amateur Operator, I was summoned to open the communications center the facility. Many served agencies were already on hand, and just after 9 am we were asked to provide communications support for the American Red Cross, who had already opened 2 shelters at 2 local high schools and a third was being staged.

Emergency officials had been conducting mandatory evacuations in the area due to the fast burning blaze. More than 9500 residents had been forced from their homes and evacuated before Noon. Rob Gilmore, KI6TRK, AEC to the Red Cross contacted Joe Consolo, KD7QDL who immediately opened the radio room at the Reno Chapter office. I had set up a command net on the W7TA Repeater, owned by the Sierra Nevada Amateur Radio Society Club, as KI6TRK and I took check ins from operators offering to proceed to the shelter areas. ARES was tasked with providing information and direct communications between the shelters and the Chapter office, as well as keeping those at the EOC informed of quickly changing situations.

By late that afternoon, the fire, then named the Caughlin Fire, had destroyed 21 homes, however more than 40 had been spared by the efficient work of Nevada firefighters. Reno Fire Department reported that as of Monday morning, November 21st the Caugulin Fire was 100 percent contained and many of the residents were returning home. As we go to air, the final statistics have not yet been reported.

We in the Nevada section are also grateful for the many Amateur Radio ARES members who offered help from neighboring sections, as far away as Southern California. Your offers of help are deeply appreciated.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, this is Don Carlson, KQ6FM, NV Section Emergency Coordinator in Reno, Nevada.

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Don says we will have more in a future Amateur Radio Newsline reports. (KQ6FM)

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RESTRUCTURING: FCC ADOPTS NEW RULES FOR US 5 MHZ OPERATION

The FCC adopted the use of the name 60 meter band to refer to 5 MHz amateur radio operations but United States hams are still only allowed to transmit on 5 specific channels. Burt Hicks reports:

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The Federal Communications Commission released a Report and Order on November 18th with new rules governing the Amateur Radio Service operations in the 5MHz or 60 meter spectrum. Among its actions, the FCC the changed the regulations to permit Upper Sideband, RTTY, Data, and CW but with with specific limitations on the use of these modes. It also issued a new 60 meter band 5MHz Channel List.

The major change here was that the channel at 5366.5 Upper Sideband was deleted and replaced with with a new channel at 5357.0 kHz Upper Sideband with its center frequency at 5358.5 kHz. Upper Sideband Phone, Data, or RTTY transmissions may use the dial indicated Upper Sideband suppressed carrier frequency at 1.5 kHz below the center of the channel.

Transmissions must not exceed the 2.8kHz bandwidth on any of the channels. RTTY modes such as PSK31 must not exceed 60Hz necessary bandwidth. Data modes must not exceed 2.8kHz bandwidth. CW bandwidth must not exceed 150Hz and the CW frequency should be at the center of the channel. Data stations operating under section 97.221 automatically controlled digital station, are not allowed on these 5MHz channels. Operators transmitting data or RTTY must exercise care to limit the length of transmission so as to avoid causing harmful interference to US Government stations.

The 5 MHz band available to General, Advanced, or Amateur Extra Class license only. The maximum allowed effective radiated power is now 100 Watts P-E-P referenced to a dipole. If another type of antenna is used, the station licensee must maintain a record of either the antenna manufacturer's data on the antenna gain or calculations of the antenna gain.

Lastly, but most important, amateur radio is a "secondary user" in this band, and must not cause harmful interference to other services. Also, the Amateur Radio Service must accept any and all interference from other primary services and other nation's services. No complaints from hams about interference from other spectrum users will be accepted.

For the Amateur Radio Newswline, I'm Burt Hicks in Los Angeles.

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The new rules were released in a Report and Order on ET Docket No. 10-98. They take effect 30 days after publication in the Federal Register. (FCC)

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WORLDBEAT: RSGB BEGINS RESTRUCTURING FOLLOWING EXTRAORDINARY AGM

The results are in and the Radio Society of Great Britain has begun its own restructuring with the approval by the membership of a new governing board.

Some 135 people attended the RSGB's Extraordinary General Meeting held on Saturday, November 19th. The meeting had been called to consider a series of Resolutions to put in place an Interim Board to address some of the challenges currently faced by the United Kingdom's national ham radio society.

The gathering was chaired by RSGB President Dave Wilson, M0OBW. Those at the meeting heard from Don Beattie, G3BJ, Acting General Manager, of the issues leading up to the resolutions being proposed. A vote followed which lead to the approval of all measures brought to the table including one to create a new Interim Board.

Commenting on the meeting, President Wilson said that he was delighted that members have given such a resounding vote of confidence to move ahead with the new Interim Board. Wilson says that it clearly shows there's an appetite for change and the new Interim Board carries the responsibility for working with the membership to develop the details of the way ahead.

The new Board also released a statement. It noted in part that the Interim Board is committed to more open and consultative processes as it works on the changes needed for the RSGB. It says that it expects to start on those early in 2012.

Not everyone was happy with the changes and the new Interim Board was quick to address this as well. In their statement, the board said -and we quote:

"We want to say something to those members who voted 'no' to the resolutions today. We ask that you give us a chance to show what we are and how we will work. In return we will engage with you to gain your ideas and thoughts in exactly the same manner as we will with all other members. Should you be thinking of it, leaving the Society at this stage is the single most damaging thing you can do, and is in no-one's interest."

By way of background, the Extraordinary RSGB General Meeting came as the result of several issues. Among these were internal problems that lead to the dismissal of a former employee and the shrinking global economy that has forced many organizations to reassess their position and objectives. (RSGB, others)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: HAMS ASKED TO HELP IN ISS PLASMA EXPERIMENT

The Central Research Institute of Machine Building in Russia has proposed an test using the worldwide ham radio community to receive a VHF packet downlink on 145.825 MHz. This, from a new plasma space experiment on the International Space Station.

The Central Research Institute is conducting a series of space plasma experiments in order to evaluate the shape of previously observed "dead" zone, or shadowing due to the firing of an onboard arc jet plasma source. Radio Amateurs are invited to participate in thispace plasma experiment known as Shadow. One matter of interest is that highly ionized exhaust plumes may scatter RF signals producing large communications free zone.

More on this experiment and how to participate is on-line at tinyurl.com/plasma-in-space and we will have more ham radio space related news later on in this weeks Amateur Radio Newsline report. (ANS)

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With you 52 weeks a year, every year since 1976. From the United States of America, we are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the W4VRB repeater serving Vero Beach, Florida.

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RADIO LAW: MEASURE BEFORE CONGRESS MAY HELP INTERNATIONAL HAM-SAT COOPERATION

A measure now before Congress may help ease the Federal Government restrictions on United States radio amateurs engaging in collaborative projects with hams and ham radio groups in other parts of the world. Amateur Radio Newsline welcomes reporter Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, who has this report:

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The measure is known as H.R. 3288 and it proposes to reduce International Traffic in Arms Regulation restrictions on commercial satellite development.

Since enacted, these laws have posed the threat of heavy fines and prison sentences to any United States individual or organization if they collaborate with others overseas on certain high tech projects. This includes radio amateurs working on projects such as satellite based technology if it was deemed to be dual use. Dual use is a legal term that refers to products, information and techniques of some scientific research that could in some way be misused for nefarious

purposes. Because of this a number of amateur satellite programs have been negatively affected.

Among the ventures harmed by the International Traffic in Arms Regulations has been the New Zealand Amateur Radio satellite KiwiSAT project. A 2009 I-A-R-U Region 3 report highlights the fact that the United States International Traffic in Arms Regulations requirements had forced AMSAT North America direct its members to cease cooperation with AMSAT New Zealand in the development of the KiwiSAT ham radio bird. This, even though New Zealand is a long time staunch allies of the United States.

Now, H.R. 3288 which is titled Safeguarding United States Satellite Leadership and Security Act of 2011 has been introduced into the United States House of Representatives. Sponsored by Representative Howard Berman of California, it is in its first step of the legislative process in Congress to become law.

What opposition, if any, H.R. 3288 may run into is as it makes its way through the law-making process is at this time not known. We will do our best to keep you posted.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, Im Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, reporting from Zion, Illinois.

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Additional information, including a link to the text of the bill, list of the co-sponsors, and a tracking overview as it progresses through the congressional law making system is on-line at tinyurl.com/space-bill. (AMSAT, Southgate, Universe Today, other published news reports)

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RADIO LAW: CONGRESSIONAL MEASURE SEEKS TO EXTEND PLMRS NARROWNANDING TO

A measure has been introduced into the United States House of Representatives aimed at directing the FCC to extend the final deadline for private land mobile radio licensees to migrate to narrowband technology by an additional 2 years.

Sponsored by Congressman Steve Rothman of New Jersey, the measure designated as H. R. 3430 would set January 1st of 2015 as the new date when users of private land mobile two-way radio would be forced to migrate from the current 25 KHz inter-system spacing to 12.5 Khz or narrower spacing.

The new technical standard affects private land mobile operations in the 150 to 174 and 421 to 512 MHz bands only. Amateur service allocations in the 420 to 450 MHz spectrum would not be subject to the new inter-system narrowband standard. (RW)

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HAM HISTORY: RADIO ROE'S LEEDS RADIO STILL GOING STRONG

According to the New York Times, the city's Radio Roe still lives. At least in one tiny but important spot to experimenters and electronics devotees.

Radio Roe was an area in lower Manhattan that was the mecca for hams and electronic experimenters during the early to mid-20th century. It was torn down in the late 1960's to make way for construction of the World Trade Center. As a result, many of the businesses that were the home to all kinds of radio parts at bargain basement prices disappeared. But not all.

According to a New York Times feature article, one company did survive into the 21st century and is still going strong. Leeds Radio that used to be owned by Bernie Goldstein never closed. It just moved across the East River to the Williamsburg area of Brooklyn. And in 1994 it was purchased by Richard Matthews who has kept up the many traditions that made Leeds Radio a must visit location on Manhattan's Vesey Street from the time it opened way back in 1923.

If you were a kid ham or kid techno-geek of the 1940s and 1950's and lived in New York City this story will bring back fond memories. Even if you were a baby-boomer ham who grew up elsewhere and ordered your parts by mail, its bound to touch a chord in your heart. Best of all you can read it on-line at tinyurl.com/leeds-radio and take a trip back in time. (KB4KCH, New York Times)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: KIRK PICKERING K4RO IS NEW NCJ EDITOR

Some names in the news. First up is Kirk Pickering, K4RO, of Pegram, Tennessee, who has been named Editor of the National Contest Journal. This effective with the January/February 2012 issue.

Pickering, who has been licensed since 1976, began writing the "Contesting 101" column in the in 2008. He says that he has been chasing DX since 1986, and in 1994, began entering contests. His current interests are mostly contesting and DXing and that he tends to enjoy CW contesting the most.

Pickering takes over from Al Dewey, K0AD, of Plymouth, Minnesota, who has served as National Contest Journal Editor since 2008. (NCJ)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: W4CGB ANNOUNCES NEW 6 METERS NET

And Robert Yates, W4GCB, of La Grange, Georgia says that a new and informal net has been established on 50.155 MHz at 01:30 UTC Monday nights.. That's 8:30 p.m. on the East Coast. Yates says that the purpose of the net is to keep 6 meters active even when propagation is

limited. (Via e-mail)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: RON MOOREFIELD, W8ILC, PRESENTED THE ALLAN SEVERSON, AB8P, MEMORIAL AWARD

Ron Moorfield, W8ILC, has been honored with the Allan Severson, AB8P, Memorial Award. This in recognition of his decades spent in service to amateur radio through his participation in ARES and other organizations.

The award was presented to Moorefiled at a meeting of the Dayton Amateur Radio Service in Kettering, Ohio on Friday, November 3rd by ARRL Ohio Section Manager Frank Piper, KI8GW. In making the presentation, Piper noted that the award to Moorefield was not only based on his long resume of service but also in the way that W8ILC carried out these tasks with integrity.

Created in 1992 as the Ohio Ham of the Year Award, it was renamed in 1999 to honor the memory of Allan Severson, AB8P. It is presented to amateur radio operators in the Ohio ARRL Section who have demonstrated a continuing dedication to the advancement of the hobby. As previously reported, W8ILC recently stepped down as ARES leader in ARES after more than half a century of service to his community. (ARRL Ohio Section)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: WB6ACU AND THE EAGLES TO CELEBRATE 40 YEARS IN 2012

Last but by no means least comes word that Joe Walsh, WB6ACU, and The Eagles will celebrate their milestone 40th anniversary by touring in 2012. In an interview with Rolling Stone Magazine, Walsh said that this celebration is not going to be a continuation of the band's recent tours. Rather, says Walsh the band is pulling out all the stops to create a new set up that'll be more than worth the price of admission.

To accomplish this, Walsh revealed that he and his mates will take to the road for about five months during the second half of the year. According to WB6ACU, they have been archiving a lot of material from the Eagles early days, including concert footage, interviews and the like. He says that these will be the visuals to go along with the songs. WB6ACU says that they will revisit some old songs and some new material as well.

The full story of Joe's plans with both the Eagles and also the James Gang can be read on-line. The U-R-L is ultimateclassicrock.com/the-eagles-tour-next-year/.

While we're at it, let's all wish WB6ACU a happy birthday. Joe celebrated birthday number 64 on November 20th. (Ultimate Classic Rock)

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The news never stops and neither do we. We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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RADIOSPORTS: IMPROVED PROPAGATION COULD SET RECORDS FOR CQWW CW CONTEST

This CQ World Wide CW contest on November 26th and 27th holds the potential of setting some new records. This thanks to some of the best propagation in years. Amateur Radio Newsline's Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, has the details:

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After fantastic conditions gave contesters wide open airwaves on 10 meters for the first time in eight years, it could be a repeat in the CQ Worldwide CW Contest, as high sunspot numbers continue.

Hams operating on the 10 and 15 meter bands from the Midwest report some of the best conditions in 35 years. Openings on the 10 and 15 meter bands certainly contributed to higher claimed scores in 2010. Jim Sullivan, W7EJ went from 15 million points last year to the top single operator score on record, with 19.3 million points operating from CN2R in Morocco, where he is an both an Operator and a QSL manager.

Despite the good band conditions, no one has yet come near the CQ Worldwide SSB record set by Jeff Stein-man, N5TJ, back in 1999 of 25.6 million points operating from EA8BH in the Canary Islands.

After a number of years where 10 and 15 meters were nothing more than a second radio multiplier, this year's CW test could be a repeat of the SSB leg, where those bands are wide open at the same time. The changing propagation on the high bands requires the use of a different strategy.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, from Pennsylvania.

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The CQ Worldwide CW contest runs 0000 UTC November 26th through 2359 UTC November 27th. We hope to hear many of you on the air. (KB3TZD)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: ISS ACTIVE AGAIN ON UHF PACKET

The amateur radio station located in the Columbus module of the International Space Station is currently operational on packet on 437.55 MHz.

To utilize the packet system, operators on the ground need to set the UNPROTO path to ARISS with the identification of RS0ISS for digi relay. Alternately, they may connect to the BBS using the callsign RS0ISS-1.

The packet beacon is set for 2 minute intervals so it may not appear to be active over many parts of the world but it is. N5HVO advises to simply keep listening and keep in mind the Doppler shift of + or - 10 KHz. (N5VHO)

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WORLDBEAT: SCIENTISTS PLAYING PING PONG WITH ELECTRONS

Scientists at the Cambridge University in the United Kingdom have shown an amazing degree of control over the most fundamental aspects of an electronic circuit. That being the way in which electrons move from one place to another.

Researchers at the University's Cavendish Laboratory have moved an individual electron along a wire, batting it back and forth over sixty times almost as if it were the ball in a game of ping pong. The research finding may have applications in quantum computing transferring a quantum 'bit' between processor and memory.

This new work is called an enabling technology for quantum computers. As such, there is a lot of work going on worldwide to make this new type of processing unit that some say may solve certain complex problems much faster than classical computers. (SARL)

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WORLDBEAT: RATS DAMAGE RADIO NETHERLANDS TRANSMITTER ON BONAIRE

Radio Netherlands is kind of saying "Oh rats!" This with word that the international shortwave broadcaster has encountered serious damage to one of its Thomson transmitters on the island of Bonaire due to an invasion of the pesky critters.

According to Media Network, the vermin have destroyed part of the transmitters high voltage power supply and the station is awaiting the arrival of spare parts have from Switzerland. Radio Netherlands hopes to have the damage repaired by the time this newscast goes to air. (MN)

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WORLDBEAT: UK AUTO MANUFACTURERS NOT SUPPORTING DIGITAL RADIO BROADCASTING

The United Kingdom's government mandated switchover date for digital radio may need to be extended several years. This following a new survey of car manufacturers that reveals at least half are steering clear of the new entertainment technology.

As part of its Digital Britain vision, the U-K Department for Culture, Media and Sport named 2015 as the deadline for turning off its ageing but very popular analogue radio network, in favor of one based on

digital standards. The move would mean the majority of today's in-car tuners as well as home radio sets would cease to function overnight.

But new findings from Auto Express Magazine suggest the switchover could now be delayed until 2017 or later. This after a survey of 24 mainstream car manufacturers by the publicatrion has revealed that 50 percent do not offer any digital radio units for their model range, even as an optional extra. Also, almost 60 per cent of new vehicles registered this in the U.K. this year came with no option for the installation of a digital radio receiver. (MN, Auto Express, Southgate)

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WORLDBEAT: NE ZEALAND ANNOUNCES KORDIA NATIONAL SYSTEM AWARD FOR 2012

>From New Zealand comes word that the 2012 Kordia National System Award for Historic Places is being hosted once again by The Hamilton Amateur Radio Club and Branch 12 of the NZART. This, in association with the New Zealand Historic Places Trust.

The Kordia National System Award is a described as a fun honor and one that is available to all New Zealand amateurs to demonstrate the coverage and use of the National System, to promote New Zealand history and Category 2 of Historic Places. Details are on line at tinyurl.com/historic-paces-award. (NZART)

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ON THE AIR: CELEBRATING ARIZONA CENTENNIAL FEB 13 - 19 2011

The Central Arizona DX Association will sponsor a special event operation in celebration of the Arizona Centennial during the week of February 13th to the 19th of 2012. Operations will be on all amateur bands from 160 through 2 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK31 and several ham radio satellite modes. The callsign to listen out for is K7UGA. If it sounds familiar that's because it belonged to the late United States Senator and Arizona native son, Barry M. Goldwater.

This Central Arizona DX Association operation has received recognition from the 2012 Arizona Centennial Foundation as a sanctioned "Special Event" and from the Arizona Historical Advisory Commission as an official "Centennial Legacy Project".

During the event individual Central Arizona DX Association members will be operating from their home stations located throughout Arizona using the late Senator Goldwater's K7UGA callsign however only special operating locations from Tucson, Prescott and Phoenix will be on the air celebrating the 100th anniversary. Thart is slated to take place on Tuesday, February 14th.

If you work special event station K7UGA you can QSL with a self addressed stamped envelope to Bob Davies, K7BHM at his QRZ.com or callbook address. More about this very special Arizona Centennial

operating event is on-line at www.cadxa.org (Via e-mail)

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In DX, G3RWF will be active as 5X1NH from Uganda for the next several weeks. His operation began on November 23rd and he will concentrate on the lower bands. QSL via his home callsign.

SP2JMB andSP2TO will be on the air from Mauritius Island as 3B8GY between February 5th to the 25th. Activity will be on all HF bands using CW, SSB and RTTY. Also, both operators will be active in ARRL International DX CW Contest on February 18th and 19th. QSL via SP2JMB.

Following the cancellation of the C21A Nauru expedition, Pacific DXers team members now plan to be active from Tuvalu as T2T through December 8th. QSL as directed on the air.

LA6VM who was the co-organizer and team leader on the E35X expedition to Eritrea in 1993 is back in the news. Word is that he has obtained the callsign E35X and may be active again. No other details are available as we go to air.

Lastly, word that HB9DTH is now retired and living in Slovaquia. He has received the callsign OM0DX and says that his on-the-air time will be mainly RTTY and CW contesting. QSL electronically using either eQSL or Logbook of the World. No bureau QSL's are being accepted for this one.

(Above courtesy of various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: BREAKING THE SPEED OF LIGHT

And finally this week, researchers at CERN which is the world's biggest physics lab say they have ruled out one possible error. An error that could have distorted their surprising measurements of earlier this year that appeared to show particles traveling faster than light. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, has more:

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Many physicists reacted with skepticism in September when measurements by French and Italian researchers seemed to show subatomic neutrino particles breaking what Nobel Prize-winning physicist Albert Einstein considered the ultimate speed barrier. The European Organization for Nuclear Research said more precise testing has now confirmed the accuracy of at least one part of the experiment.

One key test was to repeat the measurement with very short beam pulses. The test allowed scientists at CERN to check if the starting time for the neutrinos was being measured correctly before they were fired 454 miles underground from Geneva to a lab in Italy. The researchers say

that these results matched those from the previous test, ruling out one potential source of systematic error.

According to Albert Einstein's 1905 Special Theory of Relativity, nothing can travel faster than 186,282 miles per second which is the speed of light. But the CERN researchers claimed last September that when the margin of error in their experiment allowed for at just 10 nanoseconds their neutrinos traveled 60 nanoseconds faster. A nanosecond is one-billionth of a second.

For the Amateur Radio newsline, I'm Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, in Los Angeles.

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Scientists at CERN stress that only independent measurements by labs elsewhere would allow them to declare that the result of their experiment was a genuine new finding. Also, these latest findings are already being challenged by other research teams. (Science On-Line, BBC, Telegraph UK, and other published news reports)

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Don Wilbanks, AE5DW saying 73 and a very Happy Thanksgiving from southern Mississippi, and we thank you for listening.

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GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 27th November 2011

The news headlines:

* RSGB EGM Results

* EME Conference info on Twitter

* Changes to the 5MHz band in USA

135 people attended the RSGB EGM held on Saturday 19 November. The meeting resulted in Special Resolution 1 to create the Interim Board being passed with 85 percent of those voting at the meeting or by proxy voting for the Special Resolution. For Ordinary Resolutions 2-9 to appoint individual members to the Board, the votes ranged between 83 and 86 percent of those voting. Special Resolution 1 required a 75 percent majority, the others a simple majority. Details of the meeting, including a recording of proceedings and the detailed report from Electoral Reform Services can be found online at www.rsgb.org/EGM/. The new Board now starts work immediately and regular updates will be carried on the RSGB website and in RadCom.

There is now an official Twitter information feed for the 15th International EME Conference to be held in Cambridge in August 2012. The Twitter feed can be found at twitter.com/moonbounce2012. More information on the conference is available online at www.eme2012.com.

On November 18 the FCC announced changes for amateur radio operation at 5MHz in the USA. The key changes are that the FCC deleted the channel 5366.5 USB with a centre frequency of 5368.0kHz, and replaced it with channel 5357.0kHz USB with a centre frequency of 5358.5kHz. Changes have been made to now allow upper sideband, RTTY, data and CW; with specific limitations, as well as a maximum power level of 100 watts PEP effective radiated power referenced to a dipole. The changes won't become effective until 30 days after the publication of the announcement. Full details can be read at www.arrl.org/news.

Roger, G3MEH is looking at the feasibility of running an Advanced course early next year. It would need eight Sunday afternoon sessions running from 2pm to 6pm for tuition at The White Hill Community Centre, Chesham HP5 1AG. If the course ran on consecutive Sundays then sitting the exam on Saturday 3 March would be just possible, otherwise the next opportunity would be on Thursday 9 May. If you are interested in the course, please contact Roger, by e-mail to roger@g3meh.com.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

The final rally of the year is due to take place on 4 December. The Bishop Auckland Radio Amateurs Club Rally will be held in Spennymoor Leisure Centre, Co Durham DL16 6DB. Doors open at 10.30am and admission is £1.50 with accompanied under 14s free. There will be trade stands and a Bring & Buy. More details from Mark, G0GFG on 01388 747 497. Now for the news of special events

G4PF and M0GWW will be running a special event station to celebrate Lancashire Week, using the callsign GB0LD. The NoV finishes today, 27 November, with the Loyal Toast being read at 9pm tonight, which is Lancashire Day. The station will be run from the village of Hoghton in central Lancashire and will use all bands from 70cm to 160m. More information can be found on QRZ.com.

GB2NFG will be operating today, Sunday 27 November 2011, 1000 to 1600UTC as part of the 20th anniversary celebrations open day for the New Forest Group of the National Vintage Tractor and Engine Club. The event is being held at Copythorne Village Hall, Pollards Moor Road, Copythorne, Southampton SO40 2NZ. Operation will take place on the HF bands and 2m. There will be vintage tractors and other vintage vehicles on show as well as various exhibitions and stands. Admission is free and radio amateurs and their families would be especially most welcome. For further details contact Keith, G8MZF on 02380 849 395 or call him on 145.500MHz on the day.

And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

Jonathan, G0DVJ, Mike, W0MU and Jim, N1NK will operate as J6M from St. Lucia as a team in the CQWW CW contest that finishes as midnight tonight, 27 November.

Following on from his recent visit to Guinea in West Africa with the 3XY1D team DL7DF is now headed for Kenya for a holiday until 6 December. He will reactivate his Kenyan callsign, 5Z4HW, which he had previously used in February 2004 and February/March 2008.

A team of German amateurs will be active from Banana Island off the coast of Sierra Leone until 4 December. They will use the callsign 9L0W and for the island chasers the IOTA reference is AF-037. QSLs go via DK2VW.

Steve White, G3ZVW will once again be active as ZD8N from Ascension Island until 2 December. Activity will be on 10 to 80 metres using CW, SSB and the digital modes. He is also expected to participate in the CQWW DX CW Contest. QSL via his home callsign, by the bureau or direct.

Phil, F4EGS, is back in Chad and active as TT8PK until 23 December. He has been reported a number of times although activity is limited to his spare time. QSL via F4EGS.

Mark, 6W/AA1AC from will be on the air from 4 to 11 December from Senegal. He plans to be on 80 through 10m. QSL via the bureau or direct

to his home call.

Peri, HB9IQB, will be in Palestine in December and has a licence to operate as E4/HB9IQB. He'll be using a K2/100 into wire verticals mostly on CW on 12, 17 and 30. More details on www.hb9iqb.ch/palestine.html. Now the contest news

The CQWW DX CW Contest takes place over the whole weekend, 26 and 27 November, finishing at midnight tonight. With propagation on the upper HF bands improved over recent years, at times we can expect the CW segments of all the contesting bands to be very busy indeed. The exchange is signal report and CQ Zone. The UK is Zone 14.

On Tuesday 29 November the 70MHz UK Activity Contest takes place between 2000 and 2230UTC. Using all modes the exchanges is signal report, serial number and locator.

The ARRL 160m CW Contest runs from 2200UTC Friday evening to 1600UTC Sunday afternoon on 2 to 4 December. For UK stations, the action takes place during the hours when North America and the UK are both in darkness, around 2200 to 0800UTC. Work American stations including KL7, KH6 and US overseas territories and Canadian stations only. For single-ops there are QRP, low-power, high-power categories. It's similar for multi-op stations, except that there's no QRP category. A vertical antenna or an inverted-L with a high vertical section and an efficient radial or earthing system are very much to be desired for this one. The exchange is signal report and American and Canadian stations also send their ARRL/RAC section number.

Next Sunday, 4 December, the 144MHz AFS takes place. This will be the third in this season's Super League competition. From 0900 to 1700UTC, using all modes, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

On Tuesday 6 December the 144MHz UK Activity Contest takes place from 2000 to 2230UTC. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

And now the solar factual data for the period from the 14th to the 20th of November, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on the 21st of November.

First this week the latest smoothed monthly sunspot numbers which are for February, March and April are 33.4, 36.9 and 41.8 respectively. Without being to optimistic this sunspot cycle could be higher than presently predicted. How much higher, well, we will have to just wait and see. The peak is due around the start of 2013.

The solar disc started with 13 sunspots groups visible on the 14th. As some groups rotated out of view more were coming into view on the opposite side of the Sun. Most were small and quiet but a few groups produced numerous C class solar flares everyday. Solar activity was low everyday except for the 15th which increased to moderate when three small M1 class solar flares took place. Considering the number of solar

flares taking place the impact on propagation was minimal. Solar flux levels declined from 161 units on the 14th to 140 by the 19th and the 20th. The average was 146. The 90 day solar flux average on the 20th was 138 units, that's three units up on last week. X-ray flux levels declined from C1 units on the 15th to B6 by the 20th and the average was B8 units. Geomagnetic activity was quiet everyday. The period started with an Ap index of zero on the 14th. The most disturbed day was the 15th with an Ap index of only 6 units. The average was Ap 2 units, making it one of the quietest weeks of the year. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds around the 350 kilometres per second on most days but increased briefly to 480 kilometres per second on the 16th. Particle densities remained low everyday. Bz showed little variation throughout. On the 19th Bz remained positive all day.

And finally the solar forecast. This week the more active side of the Sun is expected to be coming into view. Solar activity could be moderate on some days. Solar flux levels look set to rise and be around the 170's later in the week. There are now no coronal hole disturbances expected and if no coronal mass ejections take place that are directed towards Earth then a quiet geomagnetic week is expected. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be well above 30MHz for the whole of the UK. Darkness hour lows should be around 10MHz. Paths this week to the Middle East should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 34MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 26MHz. The best time to try the path will be between 0900 and 1300 hours.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your

transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS On Monday 28 November Derby RAYNET Amateur Radio Group begins enrolling students for the various exam courses. Contact Martin, G7MKS, via email to contactus@derbyraynet.co.uk.

On Monday 28 November Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is having an informal meeting. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Monday 28 November Leicester Radio Society is having a raffle with John Eley, G3LMR. Details from John, G0IJM, on 07939 121 132.

On Monday 28 November South Birmingham Radio Society is planning for field day. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Monday 28 November Stratford Upon Avon District Radio Society is having a talk on the Flexradio 5000 software defined transceiver by Terry, G3MXH. Contact G0CHO, on 01608 664 488.

On Monday 28 November Sutton Coldfield Amateur Radio Society is holding its AGM. More information from Robert Bird, by email to spirit.guide@hotmail.co.uk.

On Tuesday 29 November Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 29 November Forest of Dean Amateur Radio Group is having a table top sale & Foundation Course. Details on 01594 549 110.

On Tuesday 29 November Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a practical evening. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Wednesday 30 November Lincoln Short-Wave Club is having a talk on contesting and the N1MM logging program by Dave Cree, G3TBK. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Wednesday 30 November Midland Amateur Radio Society is running training classes and planning the Christmas party and exhibition display. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003.

On Wednesday 30 November South Kesteven Amateur Radio Society is having an informal evening. Contact Nigel, M0CVO, on 01476 402 550. On Wednesday 30 November Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is working on winter projects. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Friday 2 December Bromsgrove & District Amateur Radio Club is having a VHF night. Contact Chris, M0BQE, on 01905 776 869.

On Friday 2 December Coventry Amateur Radio Society is having part 1 of a talk on the Fair Isle DXpedition. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

On Friday 2 December Lincoln Short-Wave Club is having a banquet of Lincolnshire festive fayre followed by a raffle and festive party games. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Friday 2 December South Birmingham Radio Society is having a construction evening. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Saturday 3 December Lincoln Short-Wave Club is in the shack.. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND On Monday 28 November Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is holding its grand winter junk sale. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 28 November South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is holding a technical forum. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Monday 28 November Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is having a quiz night with Ted, G3WBB. More information from J Duddington, G4BFH, on 01253 853 554.

On Tuesday 29 November Chester & District Amateur Radio Society is having an operating evening. Contact Bruce Sutherland, M0CVP, on 01244 343 825.

On Tuesday 29 November Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by Bill, G4IOD on the importance of Cornwall to the world of communications. Contact Anthony Vinters, G0WFG, on 01422 822 636.

On Wednesday 30 November Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is holding its AGM. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Thursday 1 December Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air and having a club night. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 07876 085 631.

On Thursday 1 December South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having a talk on Brazil by Doug, G8ILW. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Friday 2 December East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is on the air. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND There will be a meeting for those interested in the 2012 Project White Star - The Titanic Special Event Station held in the Knockagh Lodge, 236 Upper Road, Greenisland on Saturday 3 December at 12.30pm. This meeting is open to all amateurs who wish to get involved be it as individuals or as representatives of their respective clubs. The station is striving to be the Official Titanic Commemoration Station in the UK. For more information on the project, contact Peter, MI5JYK, by e-mail to mi5jyk@yahoo.co.uk.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday 29 November Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club evening. Details from Norman, on 07740 946 192.

On Thursday 1 December Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is holding a junk sale. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663.

On Thursday 1 December Moray Firth Amateur Radio Society is having a technical talk on masthead amplifiers, introducing the club construction project for 2012. Contact Jim Nicol, MM0SMD, on 01340 820 134.

On Friday 2 December Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club is having a normal club night. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA On Sunday 27 November Coalhouse Fort Amateur Radio Society is discussing Remembrance day. Contact John Parker, M1DUC, by email to coalhouserad1o@yahoo.com.

On Monday 28 November Felixstowe & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a junk sale. More information from Paul, G4YQC, by email to pjw@btinternet.com.

On Tuesday 29 November Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Wednesday 30 November Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is having a practical instructional evening on the club rigs by Terry, G0VFW. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday 30 November Crawley Amateur Radio Club is having a fun contest with Horsham ARC. More information from John, G3VLH, on 01342 714 402.

On Wednesday 30 November Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is having an informal, construction, shack night and Bright Sparks. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678. On Wednesday 30 November Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is putting GX3WOR on the air. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816 684.

On Thursday 1 December Cray Valley Radio Society is having a presentation by Bob Treacher, M0MCV, on the Cray Valley Radio Society of the 1970s. Details from Malcolm Bryan, G8MCA, on 07906 433 965.

On Thursday 1 December Horndean & District Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night and social evening. Contact Stuart, G0FYX, on 02392 472 846.

On Thursday 1 December Horsham Amateur Radio Club is holding its AGM. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk.

On Thursday 1 December Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a club night at the shack. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564 242.

On Friday 2 December Crystal Palace Radio and Electronics Club is holding its Christmas social. Contact Bob, G3OOU, on 01737 552 170.

On Friday 2 December Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society is holding its Christmas Buffet and Bring & Buy sale. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 02085 021 645.

On Friday 2 December Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a radio night and table top sale. Contact Peter, G4AKG, on 01444 239 371.

On Friday 2 December Radio Society of Harrow is holding its construction contest. More information from Linda, G7RJL, on 02083 868 586.

On Friday 2 December Reading & District Amateur Radio Club is having its annual dinner at the Toby Carvery, Richfield Avenue, Reading.

Details from Pete, G8FRC, on 01189 695 697.

On Friday 2 December Wey Valley Amateur Radio Group is having a talk by Olof Lundberg, G0CKV on the practicalities and realities of antennas. Details on the web at www.weyvalleyarg.org.uk.

On Saturday 3 December Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Saturday 3 December Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is having its Christmas lunch at the Lodge Inn, Battlesbridge. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Saturday 3 December Horsham Amateur Radio Club is having its Christmas dinner. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk.

On Sunday 4 December Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its breakfast meeting at the Goring Cafe. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816 684.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST On Monday 28 November Bristol RSGB Group is having a talk on radio aurora by Graham Kimbell, G3TCT. Details from Robin, G3TKF, on 01225 420 442.

On Monday 28 November Exeter Amateur Radio Society is having a club night at the Moose Centre. Contact Nick, 2E0NRJ, on 01363 775 756.

On Tuesday 29 November West Devon Radio Club is holding a Bring & Buy sale as part of an open evening with refreshments. Further information from Jules Cuddy, M1AGY, on 01752 291 588.

On Wednesday 30 November Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is planning its programme. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Thursday 1 December Cornish Radio Amateur Club is holding its main club meeting. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844 939.

On Thursday 1 December South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is having a QSL card evening. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

On Thursday 1 December Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having a fun quiz. Details from Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Thursday 1 December Yeovil Amateur Radio Club is having mini talks. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk.

On Friday 2 December North Bristol Amateur Radio Club is relaxing and chatting. More information from Dick on 01454 218 362.

On Friday 2 December Jersey Amateur Radio Society will have a talk on the QSL bureau from Mathieu, MJ0ASP who has recently taken on the role of QSL Manager for Jersey. Club members and non members are all welcome. More detail from Rob by e-mail at mj0rzd@robluscombe.com.

On Friday 2 December Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES On Friday 2 December Newport Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on amateur radio in the 50's and 60's by GW3MPP and GW3NWS. More information from Ross Clare, GW3NWS, on 01633 880 146.

1124. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1038

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** EDITOR'S SPECIAL NOTICE: This week's bulletin was sent out earlier than normal to accommodate the late CQWW DX CW Contest announcements. Also, we wanted to provide the readers with a consolidated listing of the CQWW DX CW Contest participants.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Friday, 18th-November, through Friday, 25th-November there were 220 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, CY0, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/n, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HC, HC8, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T2, T5, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TR, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V8, VE, VK, VP2M, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZK2, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

5K, COLOMBIA. Siso, HK3W, will use the special callsign 5K3W during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via LoTW ONLY.

5Z, KENYA (Reminder). Sigi, DL7DF, will be on holiday with his XYL Sabine in Kenya between November 23rd and December 6th. He plans to be active as 5Z4HW and operate on all bands, 160-10 meters using CW, SBB, RTTY, PSK31 and SSTV as often as possible. The location is the Diani Beach at the coastline of Kenyanear Mombasa. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the DARC Bureau. For more details and updates, visit: http://www.dl7df.com/5z/index.html

6O, SOMALIA (Op Cancelled!/Change of Plans). Darko, J28AA/E70A, who was expected to be active as 6O0DX from Somalia between November 21-30th, has cancelled his operation due to security concerns in Galkayo. However, Darko will now be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) from Djibouti as a 10 meters/QRP entry.

8Q, MALDIVES. Operators Bert/CX3AN and Mario/CX4CR will be active as 8Q7HU from Maafushi Island, Kaafu Atoll (AS-013), between January 25th and February 5th, 2012. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. There will be a special emphasis on South America.

9G, GHANA. Mark, W8MP, an airline pilot who travels periodically to Accra and plans to be active as 9G5MP, informed OPDX on Wednesday that he is heading back to Ghana. This is his 3rd trip there this month. Look for activity between November 25th and 1800z on the 27th. He plans to partic-ipate in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op using 100w and a dipole. He now has a QSL Manager - W3HNK.

9J, ZAMBIA. Niko, S53A, is now active as 9J3A from the Kafue National Park (WFF-9JFF-003, WWL KH35) until November 30th. This is his fourth operation from Zambia. Activity will be mostly during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op, possibly as a Single-Band (10m) or All-Band (depending on conditions)/Low-Power entry. He will operate from the rain forest, under the tent, with a generator. There is no electricity, neither a Cell-Phone signal. This could be a very dangerous operation with a lot of poisonous insects, snakes, crocodiles, wild pigs or even lions can visit a tent in the middle of the night. QSL via S57S (not S53A, not S57A), directly or by the Bureau (a very long wait, see details on QRZ.com).

9N, NEPAL. Just a reminder to look for Dov, 4Z4DX, as 9N7DX during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via 4Z4DX.

9X, RWANDA. Carl, SM6CPY will be active as 9X0PY from Rwanda between December 24th and January 7th, 2012. Activity will be holiday style on all bands but with a focus on the higher bands. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

A5, BHUTAN. Shinya, JA2PSV, has been active in Thimphu as A52SV since October and will be there until September 2013. Activity has been during his spare time, mainly on 15/12/10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK.

He uses a FT-450D running 100 watts into a vertical wire whip. Look for him to be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest. QSL via LoTW and by the Bureau to JA2PSV. Visit his Web page at: http://www.mars.dti.ne.jp/hirano/bhutan/a52sv/a52sv.html

AH2, GUAM. Members of the Guam Contest Club will be active as AH2R from Tumon (OC-026, USI GU003S, WLOTA L-0064) during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Multi-Single entry. Operators mentioned are: Toshinobu/JI3ERV, Don/JH5GHM, Mikiawa/JR7OMD, and Nozomu/JE8KKX. QSL via JH7QXJ or LoTW.

AO1, SPAIN (AAW Activity). Operators Fernando/EA1GHT, Ju&#65533;n Carlos/EA1AUM, Dani/EB1LA, Javi/EC1KV, Carri/EA1CUB, Juanjo/EA1WX and Luis/EA1CS will be active as AO1POL (WAP-222) during the 9th WAP Antarctic Activity Week between February 20-26th, 2012. Activity will be on 160-10 meters, including the 30/17/12 meter bands, using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. They hope to be in the CQWW 160m SSB Contest (February 24-26th, 2012). QSL via EA1GHT. For more details about the 9th WAP Antarctic Activity Week, visit: http://www.waponline.it
Several stations could be active before and after the official dates and all will count for the WAP Awards. Join in with your special callsign to celebrate Antarctica with WAP group!

C5, THE GAMBIA (Update/Callsign Change). The Czech-Slovak team, who are active as C50C until November 28th, will now be active as C5C (not C5A) during CQWW DX CW Contests (November 26-27th). QSL via Brani, OM2FY. The complete details can be found at: http://www.om0c.com

E2, THAILAND. Tana, E27EK, will be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via his home callsign direct.

EM0, UKRAINE (Special Event). Members of the Black Sea Contest Club (BSCC) are very pleased to announce their special marine mobile operations in order to popularize the Club's activities between December 1st and February 28th, 2012. They will be using the callsign EM0BSCC/MM. As a member of Black Sea Contest Club (BSCC), Yuri, UT1FG/MM, will be operating and will use the above special callsign from his marine mobile station. Yuri is reportedly here on business, so activity will be during his free time. Operations are expected on all amateur bands 160-2 meters, 70cm including the Satel-lites. For more details about BSCC, please visit their Web site at: http://www.bscc.in

FM/TO5, MARTINIQUE (Update). Dimitry, UT5UGR, will be active as FM/KL7WA from Martinique (NA-107) between November 23-30th. Activity will include a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) signing TO7A. QSL via UT5UGR.

FY, FRENCH GUIANA. Larry, F6FVY, will be active as FY5KE during the CQ WW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (15m) entry. QSL via FY5KE, by the Bureau or direct.

GRID ACTIVITY (Update/Delay). Yuri, UT1FG, who was expected to start activating "Wet grids" as UT1FG/MM traveling across the Atlantic Ocean starting on November 25th, informs OPDX that his ship is delayed and will not arrive at the Panama Canal until December 7th.

GU, GUERNSEY. Bob, GU4YOX, will be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (10m)/Low-Power entry. QSL via GU4YOX, direct or LoTW.

HH2, HAITI. Pierre, HB9AMO, will once again be active as HH2/HB9AMO from Haiti between November 26th and January 8th, 2012. Activity will be holiday style (local evenings and weekends) and only on CW using a TS-50 into a wire antenna and tuner. QSL via PA7FM. For more details, updates, pictures of his previous operations, and an online log search, visit: http://www.hhhb9amo.pa7fm.nl

HK, COLOMBIA. Members of the DXColombia Amateur Radio Club (DXARC) will be active from the "Jumanji Contest Station" during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) using the following callsigns and bands:
HK1N - Operator Jim; Single-Op/Single-Band (10m)
HK1R - Operator Jorge; Single-Op/Single-Band (15m)
HK3TU - Operator Cam; Single-Op/Single-Band (20m)
HK1X - Operator Pedro; Single-Op/Single-Band (40m)
HK1MW - Operator Bolmar; Single-Op/Single-Band (80m)
HK1AA - Operator Bob; Single-Op/Single-Band (160m)
Visit the DXARC Web page at: http://dxarc.org

HQ2, HONDURAS. Roberto, IV3IYH, will be active as HQ2X during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (10m) entry. QSL via IK2ILH. Activity before and after the contest he will sign HR5/NQ5W (QSL via W0MM).

II0, ANTARCTICA. Massimo, IW0HEU, is now active as II0ZM (WAP ITA-01) from the Italian Mario Zucchelli Station at Terra Nova Bay in the Antarctica until mid February 2012. Activity will be on 20 and 40 meters, SSB only. Per his QSL Manager, Massimo is active between 0700-1000z and from 1800z and ahead. He works in the operation room and the equipment used on HF (Ham Bands) is the same used for his QRL, that's why his time is so limited. It is suggested to check the following frequencies: on 20m - 14195, 14205, 14233 or 14335 kHz +/- QRM; on 40m - 7174 kHz. Logs are sent weekly to his QSL Manager, so the cards are answered the same day they arrive and monthly to those who request via bureau. QSLs will be printed by the end of November. QSL via IW0EFA.

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-102. Yuri, N3QQ, will be active possibly as BO2YA/BW/N3QQ (he told OPDX he is not 100% sure yet) from Kinmen Island between December 3-6th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via N7RO.

NA-240. (Update/NEW IOTA!) Members of the Russian Robinson Club (RRC) and with the support of the Bethel Amateur Radio Club (BARK) will activate the last new IOTA in Alaska in the Bethel County

IOTA Group around January 5-8th, 2012 (depending on weather and transportation availability). The callsign will be KL7RRC/p. The group's main reason for this winter activation is to help jump start the RSGB IOTA Marathon. See details at: http://www.rsgbiota.org/marathon/index.php The current team members are: Yuri N3QQ, Tim/NL8F, and Yuri/ UA9OBA. QSL via UA9OBA (Europe/Russia) and N7RO. For more details and updates, see: http://www.na-234.com

KH2, GUAM (OC-026). Aki, JR3QFB/JD1BNX/W3JH, will be active as W3JH/KH2 from Guam between November 30th and December 5th. He informs OPDX that his activity will be mainly SSB with some RTTY, and mainly on 17/15/12 meters. Also, look for possible activity in the TARA RTTY Melee (December 3rd). QSL via JR3QFB.

KG4, GUANTANAMO BAY. Norman, AH0AJ, is now active as KG4AJ from Guantanamo Bay for the next two years. He is expected to be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th). QSL via his home callsign.

KG6, GUAM (OC-026). Joel, KG6DX, will be active as KG6DX in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (10m)/High-Power/ Assisted entry. QSL via KG6DX, CBA or QRZ.com address. Also LoTW.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (November 28th- December 4th)....
Nov/28th AN Dec/1st AN Dec/3rd AN
Nov/29th AN Dec/2nd AN Dec/4th AN
Nov/30th AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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********** NORMALITY GEOMAG K Values Alpha
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K*1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K* 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K* 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K* 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K* 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K*9 100-400

KH7, HAWAII. Marko, N5ZO, will be active as KH7M (the Pu'u O'o Radio Club callsign) during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via KH6ZM.

KH7, HAWAII. Members of the Pacific (Oahu) Contest Club will be active as KH7X during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Multi-Single entry. Operators mentioned are Mike/KH6ND, Joe/KH6MB, John/KH6SH, Alex/ KH6YY and Kimo/KH7U. QSL via K2PF.

LOGBOOK OF THE WORLD (Update - Backlog Is Clearing). The ARRL Letter reports this week: "Logbook of The World (LoTW) is continuing to accept and process logs, including logs from this weekend's ARRL November Phone Sweepstakes Contest. Currently, the processing delay is at 30 hours,

down from 45 hours last week. As of November 23rd, there are approximately 857,000 QSOs in 3335 logs still waiting to be processed. If you have already uploaded a log, please do not upload it again; by doing so, you will only add to the queue. Do not send entire logs that contain previously uploaded QSOs; use the date range option when signing logs, selecting only those QSOs in a specific date range to upload to LoTW. By following these guidelines, you'll help LoTW process the backlog at a faster pace. Thanks again for your patience."

LY100, LITHUANIA (Special Event). Vilmantas, LY3BY, will operate LY100SP (LY100 South Pole) between December 5-25th, celebrating the 100th anniversary of Roald Amundsen, the first man reaching the South Pole. Activity will be on the HF bands mostly CW. Reference number WAP-206. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct to LY3BY: Vilmantas Morkunas, P.O.Box 88, LT-76002 Siauliai, Lithuania.

NP4, PUERTO RICO. Felipe, NP4Z, will be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/High-Power entry. QSL via N4AO.

OH0, ALAND ISLAND. Jukka, OH6LI, will be active as OH0V in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/Single Band (40m) entry. He plans to use all 5 yagis on 40m atop Mount Geta. For details, view the Web page at: http://www.qsl.net/oh0v

OY, FAROE ISLANDS. Carsten, OY1CT, will be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/High-Power entry. This will be a part time operation. QSL via OY1CT.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated November 25th)

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5T0JL via ON8RA EA8/RW3DO via RW3DO OH0Z via W0MM
6W/N1SNB via N1SNB EK3SA via DJ1CW P40L via WA3FRP
6Y3M via VE3NE EL2ES via AA7A PJ2/K2PLF via K2PLF
6Y5/M0YCM via K1YCM EL2WS via N7CW PJ2/KJ6YL via KJ6YL
7X5QB via EA7FTR EY8MM via K1BV PJ4/KU8E via KU8E
8Q7DV via UA9CLB FJ/VE3EY via VE3EY PJ7XK via JA7WFT
9G5XA via G3SWH FJ/VE3TA via VE3TA PZ5T via VE3DZ
9L0W via DK2WV FM/F5UFX via F5UFX S550ACP via S59ACP
A61AS/40 via YO3FRI HI3A via ON4IQ SP0OTC via SP2IW
A61LL/40 via EA5ZD HK1N via EA5KB ST2AR via S53R
AH0KT via JH8PHT HL3/JA5AQC via JA5AQC SU/HA3JB via HA3JB
BV100ROC via BM2JCC HP1WW via EA4BQ SV0XCC/9 via LZ1YE
C6ATA via WA4WTG IR2ITA via I-Bureau TA3/LZ1NK via LZ1NK
C50C via OM2FY J6/N1NK via N1NK UK8OWW via 4Z5OG
(direct)
C91JR via GI4FUM J6/W0MU via W0MU UN7MMM via EA7FTR
CE4A via VE3LYC J79WE via DL8WEM V85/9M8Z via M0URX
CO6RD via 8P9NX JD1BMV via JK1EBA VK6AU via N1DT
CR2X via OH2BH JY4NE via K3IRV VP2MGO via DF7OGO

CT7/CT3FN via HB9CRV KB7Q/C6A via WA4WTG VP2V/N3DXX via K2PF
CT9/DL5AXX via DL5AXX LZ9X via LZ1RB WH0E via JH3LFL
CT9/E77XZ via DK6XZ MI0/R9FD via R9FD XQ7HL via CE3AA
E74X via E77E OA4/OE3NHW via OE3NHW XU7ADT via KF0RQ
E77A via 9A2AA OH0/DL6UAA via DL6UAA YS1/HB9KNA via
HB9KNA

Jim, KE8G, reports that he is now the QSL Manager for Wayne, KK6BT/4.
QSL to: Jim Blanca JR., 11209 Sharon Dr., Parma, Ohio 44130.

QSL ZB2CW via: Derek Austin, 25/1 Hospital Ramp, Gibraltar, Europe.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 4U1ITU, BD4CQ, CE2/VE7SV, CT1DSV, CT1EKY, CU3AC,
DL1ROJ, DF3GY, EA1BPA, EA5KV, EA8CPN, EA8/RW3DO, F1UJS, FM5DN, G4NXG/M,
GW4BKG, GP0STH, HB0/SP7VC, HB9CVQ, HI7MC, HK3Q, HQ2GL, IR4X, JA0AXV,
JA1BOQ, JA1FGB, JA2FGL, JA8TGI, JL1BYZ, KL7RA, M0KCM, MD0CCE, OE2MON,
OZ8SW, PJ4J, R3AW, RA3CQ, RK6YY, PR7AR, RZ6BS, SP5APW, SP5UD, SP6CIK,
SV1GYG, TD3IRA, UA3AKO, UA3QNS, UA3LLR, UN7DA, US1UX, US3LX, US5XD,
UU7JM, VA2LGQ, VA3PC,VE3RZ, VE3TW, VE4EAR, VE7SV, VE8EV, VQ5X, VY2ZM,
YB1ALL, Z24EA, Z31RQ, Z36W, ZD8F and ZS2DK

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 5C2P, 6Y5/W1UE, 8J1RL, 9M6XRO, A45XR, DU3/N0QM,
FG/K9NW, GI3DZE, NH0S, RN3GL, V63DX, VU2XO, YJ0ANR, Z30U, ZD7VC and ZK2V

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: NONE REPORTED THIS WEEK!

RI1, ANTARCTICA. Oleg, UA1PBA/ZS1ANF, will be operating as RI1ANF from
Bellinghausen Base (WAP RUS-01) from February-March 2012 until the end
of 2012 or the beginning of 2013. On the way on to Antarctica (end of
February) he will try to operate from the Icebreacker "Ak. Fedorov" as
callsign/MM. Alex, UA1PAW, is already at Novo Runway (WAP MNB-06) waiting
the license RI1ANR. He will be there until February/March 2012. Slava
(ex-UA1PAI) is on board the "Akademik Fedorov". He will be working at
the Molodezhnaya Base (WAP RUS-08) from mid-December 2011 until mid-March
2012 operating as RI1ANA, then he will be wintering with RI1ANF at
Bellingshausen. Slava and Oleg plan to activate the 160 and 80 meter
bands there. Ivan, R1ANY, is still active from Bellinghausen and will
end his shift next April 7th, 2012.

SILENT KEY.....
* It has been reported that Don Rohn became a Silent Key (SK) on November

22nd. Don was the former owner and CEO of Rohn Manufacturing (Rohn
Towers). OPDX and its readers, as well as the many of us who own
Rohn towers, would like to send out our deepest sympathy to the family
and friends of Don Rohn.

* It has been reported that Jean Pierre, F9RM, became a Silent Key (SK)
recently. The specific date was not provided. He was licensed in 1948
and REF member 5570. He was a real DXer with DXCC Mixed 338/380 and
Phone 338/379, and held the first place position on the IOTA Honor
Roll for a long time. OPDX and its readers would like to send out our
deepest sympathy to the family and friends of F9RM.

T2, TUVALU (Update/Contest Callsign). Members of the "Pacific DXers" continue to be active as T2T from Tuvalu (OC-015) until December 8th. Activity will be on all HF bands, 160-6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. Operators Jay/K4ZLE, Eddie/VK4AN and Bill/VK4FW will be active as T2V during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Multi-Single entry, while the other members of the team will continue to operate non-contest modes and bands as T2T. QSL Manager is the Pacific DXers (see Web page), or by the Bureau via VK4FW. Bureau requests are also accepted by E-mail to eliminate sending your QSL via the Bureau (saves time!). PLEASE NOTE: VK4FW is the current QSL Manager for Pacific DXers: Bill Horner, 13 McConnell Rd, Maidenwell, QLD 4615, Australia --or-- via E-mail: QSL-Mgr@pacific-dxers.com
LoTW and eQSL will be uploaded within 12 months after the operation finishes. For more details and updates, visit: http://t2t.pacific-dxers.com/T2T.html

T8, PALAU. Al, JA9APS, will be active as T88KF from Palau between February 17-21st. Activity will be holiday style probably on 40-6 meters using SSB, CW and RTTY, with a TS-570S and R8 vertical. QSL via his home callsign. Direct address is: Narumi Kawai, 1-10-14 Suwanokawara, Toyama, 930-0088 JAPAN.

TC7, TURKEY. Andrey, RA9CKQ, will be active as TC7B from TRAC (YM7KA) club station located in Asiatic Turkey during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via W3HNK.

TM100, FRANCE (Special Event/WAP Op). Francois, F8DVD, will activate special event station TM100SP (TM100 South Pole) during the whole month of December. Activity is to commemoration of 100th anniversary of Roald Amundsen's journey to become the 1st explorer to reach the South Pole on December 14, 1911. Operations will be on HF bands, 40-10 meters, mostly SSB, and his operation will count for WAP-225 for the "Worldwide Antarctic Program" (WAP) award. QSL via F8DVD: Fran&#65533;ois BERGEZ, 6, rue de la Libert&#65533;,
F-71000 MACON, France.

TN, REPUBLIC OF CONGO. Nicolas, TN9SN, will be active as TN9SN from the Congo possibly until July 2012. Activity will be on all HF bands including 6 meters. QSL via IZ1BZV direct, or by LoTW or eQSL.

UK, UZBEKISTAN. Fedor, UK9AA, will be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (160m)/Low-Power entry using a 5 element full size yagi on 160m (Boom is 153m). QSL via his home callsign direct.

V3, BELIZE. Operators Travis/AF6WU and Kjerstin/KJ0VDA will be active as V31WU and V31DV, respectively, from Belize sometime in June 2012. Activity will be active on all HF bands. QSL via AF6WU.

VK8, AUSTRALIA. Operators Thomas/OZ1AA and Alan/VK8AV will be active as VK8AR (the Alice Springs ARC callsign) during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via VK8AR.

VP5, TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS. Dave, W5CW, will once again be active as VP5/W5CW from the VP5JM Hamlet on the Island of Providenciales (NA-002, WLOTA 1476) between November 23rd and December 14th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW and SSB. He also plans to be entered in the following three contests using the callsign VP5CW: CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry, ARRL 160m Contest (December 2-4th) and the ARRL 10m Contest (December 10-11th). QSL via his home callsign direct (QRZ.com address).

VU2, INDIA. Prasad, VU2PTT, will be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via the LoTW or direct using the info on QRZ.com.

XV9, VIETNAM. Mike, OM2DX, will be active as XV9DX from Hanoi, and is working for the Embassy of the Slovak Republic. He will be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (15m) entry. QSL via OM3JW.

The following stations are expected to be active in the
CQ World Wide DX CW Contest (November 26-27th, 2011)

Thanks to Bill, NG3K, for providing OPDX readers with the following consolidated listing of the participants in the 2011 CQWW DX CW Contest. For a more detailed listing (and up-to-date changes/corrections) in HTML format, please visit Bill's Web page at:
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cqc2011.html (By call sign)
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cqcd2011.html (By entity)
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cqcz2011.html (By zone)

Contest DXCC CQZ Class QSL
Callsign Entity Route

3V8SS Tunisia 33 SOAB LP LoTW; QSL via LX1NO
5B/G4IRN Cyprus 20 SOSB 20M LoTW; QSL via G4IRN
5B/US7IDX Cyprus 20 SOAB LP RN3QO
5K3W Colombia 09 SOAB LP LoTW
5Z4EE Kenya 37 SOAB HP NV7E
6V7V Senegal 35 SOAB N1SNB
6Y3M Jamaica 08 M/S VE3NE
8Q7DV Maldives 22 M/S UA9CLB
9G5MP Ghana 35 W3HNK
9H3PP Malta 15 SOAB HA5PP
9H9BH Malta 15 OH2BH
9J3A Zambia 36 SOSB S57S
9L0W Sierra Leone 35 M/? DK2WV
9M6NA East Malaysia 28 SOAB LoTW; QSL via JE1JKL,
by Bureau or direct; E-mail request
for Bureau card OK (see QRZ.com)
9N7DX Nepal 22 SOAB LP LoTW
9Y4W Trinidad & Tobago 09 SO DL4MDO
A52SV Bhutan 22 LoTW; QSL via JA2PSV Buro

AH2R Guam 27 M/S JH7QXJ
AH0BT Mariana Islands 27 M/2 7L1FPU
AH0KT Mariana Islands 27 SOAB LP JH8PHT
BV100 Taiwan 24 M/? BV2KI
C5C Gambia 35 M/M OM2FY
C6AAW Bahamas 08 M/M WA4WTG
C6AQQ Bahamas 08 SOAB HP ND3F
C91NW Mozambique 37 SOAB K9NW
CR2X Azores 14 OH2BH
CR3L Madeira 33 M/2 DJ6QT
CW5W Uruguay 13 TBD LoTW
DL1A Germany 14 M/2 DJ6ZM
DR1A Germany 14 M/M DL6FBL
DU1/JJ5GMJ Philippines 27 SOAB HP LoTW; QSL via JH5RXS
direct
E21EIC Thailand 26 SO LP E21EIC; JAs QSL via JR5XPG
E27EK Thailand 26 SOAB LP E27EK Direct
E7DX Bosnia & Herzogovina 15 M/S E77E
EA2EA Spain 14 M/S EA2EA
EA6FO Balearic Islands 14 TBA
EA6URA Balearic Islands 14 SOSB 10M EA3AIR
ED1R Spain 14 M/2 EA4RCH
ED8A Canary Islands 33 SOAB LoTW
ED9M Ceuta & Melilla 33 M/S LoTW; QSL via HA1AG
EF8M Canary Islands 33 SOAB HP UA3DX
EL2A Liberia 35 M/2 G3SXW; QSOs will be
promptly uploaded to LoTW
ER4A Moldova 16 SOAB RA4LW
EY3M Tajikistan 17 SOSB W5UE
EY8MM Tajikistan 17 SOSB K1BV
F8UFT France 14 M/S LoTW; QSL via F6ICG
direct,
all QSOs will be automatically QSLed via
Bureau
FY5FY French Guiana 09 SOSB FY5FY
FY5KE French Guiana 09 SOSB 15M LoTW; QSL via FY1FL
GU4CHY Guernsey 14 SOSB 15M GU4CHY
GU4YOX Guernsey 14 SOSB 10M GU4YOX
HG7T Hungary 15 M/2 LoTW
HK1AA Colombia 09 SOSB 160m
HK1MW Colombia 09 SOSB 80m
HK1X Colombia 09 SOSB 40m
HK3TU Colombia 09 SOSB 20m
HK1R Colombia 09 SOSB 15m
HK1N Colombia 09 SOSB 10m
HP1DCP Panama 07 SO EA5KB
HQ2X Honduras 07 SOSB 10M IK2ILH
HQ9R Honduras 07 SOAB HP LoTW; QSL via K5WW
IH9R African Italy 33 SOSB 40M IZ1GAR by the Buro/Direct
II9P Sicily 15 M/2 IT9CHU
J28RO Djibouti 37 SOSB LP F8DFP

J6M St Lucia 08 M/? N1NK
KG6DX Guam 27 SOSB 10M LoTW; QSL via KG6DX direct
KH6/WJ2O Hawaii 31 WJ2O
KH7M Hawaii 31 SOAB HP KH6ZM
KH7X Hawaii 31 M/S K2PF
KP2MM Virgin Islands 08 SOAB LP LoTW
LN3Z Norway 14 M/S LoTW; QSL via LA9VDA
LS1D Argentina 13 M/S LW9EOC
LU8YE Argentina 13 M/2 LU8YE Direct
LX7I Luxembourg 14 M/S LX2A
LZ9W Bulgaria 20 M/M LZ1PM
MD4K Isle of Man 14 SOSB G3NKC
MJ0ASP Jersey 14 SOSB 15M LoTW
NH2T Guam 27 SOAB HP LoTW; QSL via W2YC
NP4Z Puerto Rico 08 SO HP N4AO
OH0V Aland Island 15 SOSB 40M
OH0Z Aland Island 15 SOAB HP W0MM
OY1CT Faroe Island 14 SO HP OY1CT
OZ5E Denmark 14 M/M LoTW
P40F Aruba 09 SOAB LoTW; QSL via R5GA
P40W Aruba 09 SOAB HP LoTW; QSL via N2MM
PJ4A Bonaire 08 M/2 K4BAI
PJ5G Sint Maarten 08 DL7VOG Buro
PZ5T Surinam 09 SO VE3DZ
RN3F Russia (Europe) 13 M/2 UA3DQK
RU0FM Russia (Asia) 19 M/S LoTW
SJ2W Sweden 14 M/S LoTW; QSL via SM2LIY
SN6F Poland 15 M/M SP6PRT
ST2AR Sudan 34 SOAB S53R
SU/HA3JB Egypt 34 SOSB HA3JB Direct
T2V Tuvalu 32 M/S VK4FW
T6MO Afghanistan 20 SOABM K9GY
T70A San Marino 15 SOAB HP T70A Buro
TC2X Turkey 20
TC3A Turkey 20 M/2 LZ1NK
TC7B Turkey 20 SOAB W3HNK
TF3CW Iceland 40 SOSB 20M LX1NO
TI5A Costa Rica 07 SOAB QRP LoTW; QSL via TI5KD
TK4W Corsica 15 M/2 OQRS
TO3A St Barthelemy 08 M/S VE3EY
TO7A Martinique 08 SOAB HP UT5UGR
TX8NC New Caledonia 32 LZ1JZ via Buro/direct
UA3R Russia (Europe) 16 M/S LoTW; QSL via RN3RQ direct
UK9AA Uzbekistan 17 SOSB 160M
V26K Antigua 08 SOAB LP AA3B
V31AO Belize 07 M/S LoTW
V5/DJ4SO Namibia 38 LoTW; via DJ4SO,
Buro/direct
VE2EKA Canada 02 SOAB LP VA2WDQ
VK6AA Australia 29 SOAB DL8YR

VK8AR Australia 29 M/S VK8AR
VP2EAT Anguilla 08 SOAB VE3IKV
VP2MWG Montserrat 08 M/? LoTW; QSL via N0AT
VP2V/N3DXX Br Virgin Islands 08 SOAB AA7V
VP5CW Turks & Caicos 08 SOAB W5CW Direct
VP9/N3AD Bermuda 05 SO LP W3HNK
VU2PAI India 22 SOAB HP VU2PAI
VU2PTT India 22 SOAB LoTW;via VU2PTT,
Buro/direct
WP3C Puerto Rico 08 SOAB LP W3HNK
XV9DX Vietnam 26 SOSB 15M OM3JW
YN2CC Nicaragua 08 SOAB LoTW
ZD8N Ascension Island 36 G3ZVW
ZD8W Ascension Island 36 M/S W6NV
ZF1A Cayman Island 08 M/S LoTW; via K6AM,
Buro/direct
ZK2V Niue 32 SOAB HP N3SL
ZM4T New Zealand 32 M/2 ZL2AL
Z35X Macedonia 15 SOSB 15M DJ0LZ
ZS4TX South Africa 38 SOSB 10M LoTW

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new
FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the
following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)

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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced
mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send
mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW

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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE
OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=help>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html

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KB8NW/OPDX/BARF80 receive credit. To contribute DX info, please send
via InterNet Mail to: kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org - OR - kb8nw@arrl.net
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1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)

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Sysop of the "Basic Amateur Radio Frequency BBS" (BARF80.ORG)

1125. I NEED ICOM STUFF TO REPAIR MINE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-26 05:33:13 UTC
From: justme <jbleaux@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <6gu0d7hf7vpqoqheic77hg9pregt8n8m5u@4ax.com>
Source record: 3865

Hi,

I would like to buy anything related to Icom 745/751 radios, parts,
too, even the radio itself
working or not.

Thank you.

jbleaux@gmail.com

1126. SARL News in English 26/11/2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-26 16:53:22 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <8D88FAE9B4F642FC976445B553625C90@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 3866
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 27 NOVEMBER 2011

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. PLEASE NOTE: for audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 and 3,695 MHz SSB.

In the news today:

DOC WITHDRAWS PROPOSED ECA AMENDMENTS

NOMINATIONS FOR SARL AWARDS INVITED

RADIO AMATEURS ASKED TO HELP IN ISS PLASMA EXPERIMENT

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting items.

DOC WITHDRAWS PROPOSED ECA AMENDMENTS

The Department of Communications has withdrawn the proposed ECA amendment bill for further consultation with Government. The amendments to the Electronic Communications Act would have diminished ICASA's authority on several fronts including frequency allocation and management and could have given the Minister more power over these issues. There was widespread opposition to the proposed amendments. It was high on the SARL agenda to be raised in the SARL feedback on the proposed amendments. It is not certain when DOC will publish revised changes to the ECA. To date the SARL received only comments from two radio amateurs. As matters currently stand no further action is required.

NOMINATIONS FOR SARL AWARDS

Members and clubs are invited to submit nominations to Council for the following SARL awards.

Honorary Life Membership - the SARL's highest honour.

Willie Wilson Gold Badge Awarded by Council to the amateur that gave exceptional and meritorious service to the League.

Jack Twine Award To recognise qualities such as unselfishness, clean operating and a genuine interest in Amateur Radio and its affairs. This prestigious Award will be made to Amateurs who, in the opinion of their fellow amateurs and the League's Council, exemplify the qualities desirable in a Radio Amateur.

Arthur Hemsley 2 metre Trophy Awarded by Council to a Radio Amateur for his/her individual achievements with transmissions in the 2 metre amateur band. This award is made for extraordinary performance on EME or modes such as tropospheric propagation. It is not for the longest distance worked but rather for persistence in achieving something special on 2 metres.

Barney Joel Trophy Awarded by Council to any member of the SARL for the best performance during the year whilst working HF mobile. This award could be made for performance by an individual in rally or other public event communication etc.

Icom Excellence Award This award is bestowed annually by Council on the amateur who through his/her activity in the Amateur Service has brought international recognition to South Africa by either the achievement of a VHF/UHF long distance record which is internationally recognized by the IARU, or by service to the Republic of South Africa or the SARL in the field of scientific research using the amateur spectrum, or in promoting the amateur service internationally or as Council may determine from time to time.

Joseph White Plaque Awarded by Council to any member of the SARL for exceptional achievements in the 432 MHz band during the past year. This is not awarded for the longest distance worked, but for all round achievements.

Bert Buckley Six metre Trophy Awarded by Council to any radio amateur for his/her individual achievements with transmissions in the six metre amateur band. This award is not for the longest distance worked but for outstanding work or activity on six metres.

LoTW DELAYS DIMINISHING

Logbook of The World (LoTW) is continuing to accept and process logs. Currently, the processing delay is at 30 hours, down from 45 hours last week. As of November 23, there are approximately 857 000 QSOs in 3 335 logs still waiting to be processed. If you have already uploaded a log, please do not upload it again; by doing so, you will only add to the queue. Do not send entire logs that contain previously uploaded QSOs; use the date range option when signing logs, selecting only those QSOs in a specific date range to upload to LoTW. By following these guidelines, you'll help LoTW process the backlog at a faster pace. The ARRL thanks LoTW users for your patience.

RADIO AMATEURS ASKED TO HELP IN ISS PLASMA EXPERIMENT

The Central Research Institute of Machine Building in Russia has proposed an test using the worldwide amateur radio community to receive a VHF packet downlink on 145,825 MHz from a new plasma space experiment on the International Space Station.

The Central Research Institute is conducting a series of space plasma experiments in order to evaluate the shape of previously observed "dead" zone, or shadowing due to the firing of an onboard arc jet plasma source. Radio amateurs are invited to participate in this space plasma experiment known as Shadow. More on this experiment and how to participate is on-line at tinyurl.com/plasma-in-space.

SA QSL

Peter Hers reports that when he experimentally placed the SA QSL system back on the web, it adversely affected the overall stability of the web thus he removed it again for further testing. He is continuing work on the system.

FREE SSTV ONLINE BOOK

This item was obtained from WIANEWS.

Martin, OK2MNM, has made his new book "Image Communication on Short Waves" available free on the web.

You can either read it online or download the chapters in PDF format.

The book can be found at http://www.sstv-handbook.com/.

You can join the MMSSTV Yahoo Group at
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/MM-SSTV/

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is declining with only a few C-class flares produced during the week. Sunspot 1 356 has however a "beta-gamma" magnetic field that harbours enough energy for M-class solar flares. The sun's surface is still peppered with smaller sunspots promising exciting HF conditions.

For the people doing their own frequency predictions the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 88, down on last week's value of 103.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with the higher bands typically opening first and the lower bands opening later during the day. 6 m is also waking up with some very nice TEP openings.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

27 November - Digital competition. 30 November - Last day to submit logs for Pears HF DX-expedition. 03 December - Flea market of the West Rand Amateur Radio Club at 12:00. 31 January 2012 - Last day for

submission of nominations for Council members and also for submission of motions for the 2012 SARL AGM. 31 January 2012 - Closing date for submitting papers for SA AMSAT Space Symposium.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 16:30 UTC on 4 895 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by George, Z6SNE.

Thank you for listening, 73. /EX

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1127. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 27th November 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-27 21:00:14 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20111127210003.3B44733C91@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3867
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 27th November 2011

IRTS Committee Meeting

Club Representatives of affiliated clubs are asked to send their email details in order to be kept up to date with notifications of upcoming IRTS committee meetings. Please send email addresses to info /at/ irts.ie or to Hon. Secretary Ger McNamara ei4gxb/ at/ gmail / dot /com The Next Committee meeting will take place on Saturday 10 December at 11.00 at the Maldron Hotel in Portlaoise, and club reps are encouraged to attend.

ECHO Ireland

The December issue of Echo Ireland will go to print in the early days of December. With the CQWW CW contest taking place that means a deadline for ECHO Ireland is two weeks from now, that is the first few days in December. No later please. Your co-operation is gratefully appreciated.

Mayo Rally

The annual Mayo Rally took place in Castlebar on Sunday of last week. There was a good attendance of traders and punters on the day, with plenty of buying, selling and eyeball QSOs taking place. We also noted that Dave EI9FBB, our local DXCC card checker, was kept busy.

On Saturday night, ahead of the rally itself, Mayo Radio Experimenters Network, the rally organisers, had arranged presentations on Amateur Television and on Logbook of the World. Pat EI2HX gave us an excellent introduction to Amateur Television, showing us some of his collection of antennas, transmitters, receivers and connectors. For those in the audience more used to working with equipment designed for Kilohertz or Megahertz frequencies, the "Gigahertz" hardware Pat works with seems almost exotic.

Dave EI9FBB, who is not long back from DXpeditioning with the T32C group on Kiritimati, explained the ins and outs of the ARRL's Logbook of the World - an online alternative to paper QSL cards for those

working towards a DXCC award. Dave outlined the steps involved in setting up and maintaining a Logbook of the World account and also covered the security measures in place to ensure the integrity of the system.

Ham Radio on the Increase

There are over 700,314 ham radio licence holders in the United States, according to the FCC. There has been an increase of over 40,000 ham radio licences in the last five years alone. The ARRL refers to this era as the 'golden years.' According to Allen Pitts of the ARRL, he reckons that the USA has had over 20-25,000 new hams per year.

RTE

RTE may charge licence-fee payers for access to certain parts of its online operations, it has been revealed. The broadcaster is looking at ways to increase its revenue from its online and digital business. No firm decisions have yet been made.

Space Plasma Experiment

The Space Plasma experiment "Shadow" onboard the International Space Station (ISS) takes place using 145.825 MHz FM AX.25 packet radio at the end of this week Nov 25-28 and again on Dec 2-5.

DX News

Brian ND3F is at present active from the Bahamas as C6AQQ. He will be there till 6 December with activity mostly on the lower bands. QSLs go via his home call and also Logbook of the World.

Jim ND9M is back on the island of Diego Garcia in the Chagos Archipelago. The good news for the prefix chasers is that Jim has been issued a short-term special prefix licence, VQ91JC, for use until 4 December. After that date he will be using his usual callsign VQ9JC. He expects to be on the island till early March next.

For the 60m enthusiasts there is news from Chris GM3WOJ, who is now active as ZK2V on Niue Island in the Pacific, that he has permission to operate on 5403.5 kHz. This special permit is only valid from 1 - 7 December local time.

A Belgian group operated from the island of Rockall at the beginning of October and a number of EI stations were among the 1100+ stations that made it into the log. QSLs have already been printed and are on the way to their lucky recipients. To those who were not in the log in October there are rumours that another group will try to activate this difficult and dangerous location in the summer of 2013.

New TV Repeater

South Dublin Radio Club is in the process of installing a new television repeater with coverage over the greater Dublin area. The repeater, which is located on the three rock mountain, will transmit on 2390Mhz and receive signal in on 1249Mhz. While not on the air yet, initial tests have proved sucessful with perfect pictures received 60 miles away at the EI2ATR Cavan repeater site. The repeater will be linked by radio to the existing TV repeater system currently operating in Co Cavan, This repeater currently transmits on 1276.5Mhz, 2370 Mhz and 10.040Mhz and gives good coverage of Cavan/Louth/Meath Area.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

1128. NZART Headquarters Infoline special issue 30s

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-28 05:29:33 UTC
From: "ZL1AMW (infoline)" <zl1amw@nzart.org.nz>
Message-ID: <E64E6009D82B4A24A6DD73A39C4EC414@AlanLaptop>
Source record: 3868
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

NZART Headquarters Infoline Special Issue 30s

28th November 2011

Increase in Amateur Power Limit

As announced by our President, Roy Symon, ZL2KH, in the November Official Broadcast, NZART is pleased to advise members that Radio Spectrum Management has agreed to our request that the general power limit for Amateur bands be increased.

>From 30 November 2011, the power limit for most bands will rise from 500 watts to 1000 watts peak envelope power (pX), as defined in ITU Radio Regulation 1.157. The only exception to this increase is for those bands (130 to 190 kHz, 505 to 515 kHz, 26.95 to 27.30 MHz and 921.00 to

928.00 MHz) which currently have lower limits and, in these cases, the current limits will continue to apply.

This is a very satisfactory conclusion to the HBARC Remit to the 2011 NZART Conference and will assist NZ Amateurs to:

* participate in weak signal work including EME, meteor scatter, DXing etc;

* remain competitive, despite our remoteness, when participating in contests.

For further information on licence conditions, please see the updated Amateur General User Radio Licence (GURL) on the RSM website:

http://www.rsm.govt.nz/cms/licensees/types-of-licence/general-user-licenc
es/amateur-radio-operators

Don Wallace, ZL2TLL, NZART Administration Liaison Officer

1129. [DXNL] DXNL 1756 (Nov 30, 2011)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-11-28 22:37:07 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <175488575703.20111128233542@dxhf.darc.de>
Source record: 3869
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

DXNL 1756 - Nov 30, 2011
DX Newsletter

a free and weekly service of
DARC Committee "DX and HF contesting"
(http://www.darcdxhf.de)

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(e-mail: dxnl@dxhf.darc.de)

translation by: Bob, DL7VOA
(e-mail: dl7voa@darc.de)

6W, SENEGAL
Mark,6W/AA1AC, announced to show up from La Sonome from Dec 4-11.
QSL via homecall.

BV, TAIWAN, AS-020
The special event station BV100 will take part in the upcoming
ARRL 160m CW Contest from Taiwan (AS-020). QSL via BV2KI.
See also: http://www.bv100.tw/EN

BY, CHINA, AS-102
Yuri,N3QQ, plans to activate Kinmen (Quemoy) Island (AS-102)
as BW/N3QQ in CW and SSB on 40-10m from Dec 3-6. QSL via N7RO.

F, FRANCE
The "Council of Europe Radio Amateur Club" (CERAC-TP2CE) is going to
activate the special event station TP50CE on Dec 2-4. Occasion is the
50th anniversary of the European Social Charter. QSL via F5LGF.
See also: http://ewwa.free.fr

Roald Amundsen together with his team was the first person to reach
the South Pole on Dec 14, 1911. Francois,F8DVD, is going to activate
the special callsign TM100SP (WAP 225) mainly in SSB on 10m-40m during
December to celebrate this special achievement. QSL via F8DVD.

GJ, JERSEY, EU-013
Martin,G3ZAY, Michael,G7VJR, Joe,JA1LZR, Harumi,JF1PJK, and
Yutaka,JQ2GYU, will be QRV in all modes on all bands (focus: lowbands)
signing GJ6UW from December 2-7. QSL via M0BLF & LoTW.

HH, HAITI, NA-096
Pierre,HH2/HB9AMO, is working only in CW during his spare time (evening
and weekend) until January 9. QSL via PA7FM, LoTW.

J6, ST LUCIA, NA-108
The Buddies in the Caribbean group specialised on DXpeditions with low power and Buddipole. They are visiting St. Lucia again from Dec 4-12. The OPs Budd,J68FF (W3FF), Guy,J68UN (N7UN), David,J6/WD9CMD (WD9CMD), Joe,J6/N7BF (N7BF), Steve,J6/WF2S (WF2S), Tom,J6/K9CJM (K9CJM), Bill,J6/AA40C (AA4OC), and Barclay,J6/WU1B (WU1B), plan to run three stations in CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK on 160m-10m.
They will use the callsign J68UN in the ARRL 10m Contest (Dec 10/11).
QSLs via homecalls (direct), LoTW, eQSL.
You can find more information on the websites:
http://suitcasedxpeditions.com
http://www.n7un.com
http://sites.google.com/site/caribbeanbuddies

JD1/MT, MINAMI TORISHIMA, OC-073
Take,JG8NQJ/JD1, plans to show up again on all bands from Minami Torishima (Marcus Island, OC-073) in December. QSL via homecall.
Logsearch at: http://dx.qsl.net/cgi-bin/logform.cgi?jd1-jg8nqj

KG4, GUANTANAMO BAY, NA-015
Norman,AH0AJ, is signing KG4AJ from Guantanamo Bay (NA-015) for the next two years. QSL via homecall.

KH2, GUAM, OC-026
Yoshiaki,W3JH/KH2 (JD1BNX), plans to visit Guam (OC-026, USi GU003S, WFF KFF-110, WLOTA 0064) from Nov 30 until Dec 5.
He may join the TARA RTTY Melee Contest as well.
QSL via JR3QFB, unfortunately only direct.

LY, LITHUANIA
Vilmantas,LY3BY, will use the special call LY100SP (WAP-206) mainly in CW on HF from Dec 5-25. QSL via homecall.

LZ, BULGARIA
Members of the "Balkan Sports Club" will activate the special callsign LZ1363PTT during December. QSOs are good for the "All Bulgarian Saints" award also. QSL via LZ1KZA. See: http://www.balkanclub.org/awards.htm

PA, THE NETHERLANDS
Approaching the end of the 65th anniversary of the International Short Wave League (ISWL) Fred,PA0FAW, will be QRV as PG65ISWL from Dec 1-28.
Listen for him mainly in CW/PSK and only little SSB (PAFF-005).
QSL via bureau, direct, eQSL, no LoTW.
SWL reports are welcome. See also: http://www.iswl.org.uk

SV, GREECE
The special event station SX100A celebrates the 100th birthday of the Greek warship "Georgios Averof" from Dec 2-4. The station is operated from the radio shack of the ship. QSL via bureau.

UR, UKRAINE
Following special event stations are celebrating 20 years of Ukrainian independence from Dec 1-30:
EM20C (via UX5PC) EM20L (via US0LW)

EM20LTD (via UR3LTD) EM20UJ (via UR5UJ)
EM20UKR (via UR7UC) EM20UU (via US7UU)
EM20V (via UR2VA) EN20C (via UX7CQ)
EN20UO (via UX5UO) EN20UP (via UT4UP)
EN20UZ (via UR5UZ) EN20W (via UR4WWE)
EO20IGN (via US7IGN) EO20IO (via UX3IO)
EO20IZ (via UX5IZ) EO20K (via UR4KWA)
EO20M (via UX7MA) EO20UD (via UR7UD)
EO20UM (via UT0UM) EO20UR (via UT7UR)
EO20UU (via UT7UU) EO20ZZ (via US0ZZ)

A few members of the Black Sea Contest Club (BSCC) will be active as
EM0BSCC/mm from Dec 1 until Feb 28. QSL via UU0JM.
More information is available online at: http://www.bscc.in

V5, NAMIBIA
A German team will visit Namibia from December until January 2012.
Mathias,V5/DJ2HD, Wolfgang,V5/DH3WO, Ulmar,V5/DK1CE, and Ewald,V5/DJ2BQ
will be QRV in CW, SSB and RTTY on 160m-10m like this:
V5/DJ2BQ Dec 2 -Jan 16
V5/DJ2HD Dec 26-Jan 16
V5/DH3WO Dec 26-Jan 5
V5/DK1CE Dec 26-Jan 5
QSLs for V5/DK1CE via DH3WO, all other QSLs via homecalls.

VP5, TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS, NA-002
Dave,W5CW, is still active from Providenciales, North Caicos (NA-002,
WLOTA 1476) signing VP5/W5CW until Dec 14. He will also be QRV as VP5CW
in the ARRL 160m CW Contest (Dec 2-4) and ARRL 10m Contest (Dec 10-11).
QSL via homecall, unfortunately only direct.

XV, VIETNAM
Mal,VK6LC, plans to make CW and SSB pile-ups on 20m/17m/12m signing
XV2LC from Dec 2-8. QSL via homecall, unfortunately only direct.

Mike,OM2DX, is working in the embassy in Hanoi and can be found working
on the bands as XV9DX or 3W1M. QSL via OM3JW.

ZF, CAYMAN ISLANDS, NA-016
If you are still missing ZF you should listen for Bill,K9HZ, who plans
to become active as ZF2HZ from Rum Point/Grand Cayman Island (NA-016,
WLOTA 1042, Loc. EK99II). QSL via homecall, LoTW.

ZK2, NIUE ISLAND, OC-040
Chris,GM3WOJ, has a temporary license for the 60m band as ZK2V for a
limited time (5403.5 kHz; Dec 1,1100 UTC, until Dec 8,1100 UTC).
See also: http://www.zk2v.com

SILENT KEY
The DX community is mourning for Jean Pierre,F9RM, who was licensed
since 1948. Our thoughts are with Jean Pierre's family and friends.

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Dec 2-4: ARRL 160m Contest, CW only
Dec 3/4: TOPS Activity Contest
Dec 3: TARA RTTY Melee
Dec 4: 10m RTTY Contest
Dec 10/11: ARRL 10m Contest

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AN-016, several, Antarctica: Starting in December 2011 Felix,DL5XL, and
Lars,DL1LLL, will be QRV as DP0GVN from the German Neumayer III Station
(IOTA AN-016, AA DL-03, WAP DEU-08, WFF DLFF-022). Felix is going back
to Germany in February 2012 and Lars is preparing for the overwintering
until Feb 2013. QSL via DL5EBE (bureau/direct).

EU-013, GJ/MJ, Jersey: Martin,G3ZAY, Michael,G7VJR, Harumi,JF1PJK,
Joe,JA1LZR, and Yutaka,JQ2GYU, will be active as GJ6UW in SSB/CW/RTTY
on all bands from Jersey (IOTA EU-013, WLOTA 0818) from Dec 2-7.
If the conditions on 160m and 80m are good they want to listen
especially for Asia and Japan. QSL via M0BLF (bureau/direct/LoTW).

Lighthouse activities

J68FF LH 1336 Dec 4-Dec 12
J68UN LH 1336 Dec 4-Dec 12
VP2MWG LH 1475 Dec 2-Dec 4
VP5CW LH 1476 Dec 2-Dec 4
VQ9JC LH 1645 Dec 5-Mar 1
ZF2HZ LH 1042 Dec 1-Dec 31

Bandspots of the last 7 days

160m
EY8MM 1.825 2352Z via EY8MM (B), (L)

80m
OH0/DL6UAA 3.510 1934Z via DL6UAA (B)
TA3/LZ2UW 3.515 2345Z via LZ2UW (B)

40m
CT9/E77XZ 7.005 2307Z via DK6XZ (B)
PJ5/DL7VOG 7.007 0812Z NA-145, via homecall (B)

30m
A6/DL9WVM 10.109 1659Z via DL9WVM (B)
OH0/DL6UAA 10.105 1757Z via DL6UAA (B)

ZD8ZZ 10.108 0600Z via K7ZZ (L), (d)

20m
CE4A 14.026 0801Z SA-095, VE3LYC (B)
PJ2/K2PLF 14.021 1849Z via K2PLF (B)
SU/HA3JB 14.020 0749Z via HA3JB (d)

17m
NE1SJ 18.098 1846Z SOTA W1/CR-007
PJ5/DL7VOG 18.080 1839Z via DL7VOG (B)

15m
CE1CRG 21.004 1739Z
D44AC 21.020 1729Z (d)
JY5HX 21.010 1600Z (d)
PJ2/N0KE 21.031 1547Z via N0KE (B)
PJ5/DL7VOG 21.020 1646Z via DL7VOG (B)
TK/DL6RAI 21.033 1052Z via DL6RAI (B)
YB1ALL 21.002 1309Z (L), (d)
YN7SU 21.009 1810Z via TI4SU (d)
9G5XA 21.029 1610Z via G4SWH (B)

12m
A6/DL9WVM 24.901 1247Z via DL9WVM (B)
KH7Y 24.905 0731Z via EA5GL
NE1SJ 24.908 1900Z SOTA W1/CR-007
PJ5/DL7VOG 24.904 1139Z via DL7VOG (B)
YN2N 24.953 1656Z via TI2OHL (d)
5B/G4IRN 24.906 1158Z via G4IRN (B)
7Z7AA 24.903 0949Z AS-191, via 7Z1CQ (d)

10m
9J3A 28.026 1040Z via S57S (B)
A61K 28.500 1233Z (L)
BD7APL 28.040 0740Z
CE2/VE7SV 28.019 1629Z via VE7WY (d)
CE4A 28.466 1539Z SA-095, VE3LYC (B)
CT8/W1NN 28.021 1721Z
EX2X 28.029 0720Z via EA5KB (B)
FJ/VE3EY 28.021 1228Z NA-146, via VE3EY (B)
NP4Z 28.015 1520Z via N4AO (d)
PJ5/DL7VOG 28.040 1352Z via DL7VOG (B)
SU/HA3JB 28.485 0922Z via HA3JB (d)
TF8SM 28.002 1540Z via NI5DX (B)
VP2MWG 28.018 1719Z via N0AT (B)
XE2B 28.436 1604Z via EA5OL (B), eQSL
XE2EX 28.468 1549Z (B)
XV1X 28.031 0849Z via OK1DOT (d)
YN7SU 28.012 1605Z via TI4SU (d)

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok

(L) = LoTW
(r) = bureau QSL via e-mail request

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

-Dec 3Y8XSA 1700/1717
15Nov-17Dec 5R8IC 1753
23Nov-14Dec 5X1NH 1755
-2014 5Z4EE 1742/1753
23Nov-06Dec 5Z4HW 1755
-Apr/12 5Z4RH ? 1674
04Dec-11Dec 6W/AA1AC 1756 *
Nov 7U1MA 1752
-Mar/12 8J1ING 1751
-30Nov 8J1MORSE.. 1731
-Sep/12 8J2NDP.. 1751
31Jan/12 8J4EQ 1754
30Nov 8J5SSS 1754
11Dec 8N2IWA 1754
-31Dec 9A11P 1723
-2012 9J2RI 1739/1742
22Nov-04Dec 9L0W 1754
Long term 9N1FE 1740
Soon 9Q1EK 1669
-Oct/14 9V1RM 1751

-Sep/13 A52SV 1752
19Nov-04Dec AU2JCB 1754
-31Dec BP100 1684
-31Dec BV100 1684/1755/1756 *
03Dec-06Dec BW/N3QQ 1756 *
24Nov-06Dec C6AQQ 1755
-Mar/12 CE9VPM 1752
15Oct-20Dec CN2LO.. 1753
01Dec-28Feb EM0BSCC/mm 1756 *
-31Dec CW5RV 1711
05Oct-31Dec CY0/VE1AWW 1748
-Jul/12 D2QV 1750
-Apr/12? D2SG 1748
-Feb/13 DP0GVN 1756 *
-06Dec E51MAN 1752/1753/1754/1755
01Dec-30Dec EM20C.. 1756 *
30Nov EO12WFS 1755

-Mar/13 FH8NX 1747
-Jul/12 FR8NE 1710
18Nov-15Dec GB2PG 1755
-31Dec GB40HMSB 1748
02Dec-07Dec GJ6UW 1756 *

-31Dec HB60LU 1711
-30Nov HB9STEVE 1753
-31Dec HG15IPA 1724
01Jan-31Dec HG200LST 1708
-09Jan HH2/HB9AMO 1756 *
Sep -2013 HI3/KL7JR 1745
NOW HL2/KC6STQ 1746
01Jan-31Dec IA7MM 1708
-Dec/12 ID9DXC.. 1755
-Feb/12 II0MZ 1755
01Jan-31Dec II1ITA.. 1708
-31Dec II4LXV 1742
30Oct-30Nov IR3MD 1751

-2012 J28FJ 1739
-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul/12 J28RO 1683
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
19Nov-03Dec J68HZ 1754
04Dec-12Dec J68UN.. 1756 *
21Nov-01Dec J6M.. 1755
23Nov-08Dec J79WE 1755
-07Dec J79WTA 1703/1754
Dec/11 JG8NQJ/JD1 1739/1756 *
-2013 KG4AJ 1756 *
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
-May/12 KH4/W5FJG 1728
Postponed KH5 1674/1705/1741
23Nov-30Nov KH6/WJ2O 1755
-31Dec LA200D 1713
-31Dec LM9L40Y 1748
05Dec-25Dec LY100SP 1756 *
Dec LZ1363PTT 1756 *
-31Dec LZ85R 1721

-Mar/12 OA/OE3NHW 1749
01Nov-30Nov OL60OU 1753
-31Dec ON30CLM 1753
-Feb/12 OR4TN 1754
Long term P29FM 1752
-Mar/12 P29FR 1742
01Jan-31Dec PA30.. 1708
24Nov-13Dec PJ2/PA0VDV 1755
-Mar/12 PJ4/PE1MAE 1753
13Nov-05Dec PJ5/DL7VOG 1753
17Nov-30Nov PJ7/F5AHO.. 1754
01Dec-28Dec PG65ISWL 1756 *
-30Nov R300ML 1743
-Dec RI1ANC 1708
-Sep/12 RI1FJA 1741
-Sep/12 RI1FJM 1741

-30Nov S550ACP 1745
NOW ST2AR 1745
-30Nov SU/HA3JB 1743
Unknown SU9VB 1754
02Dec-04Dec SX100A 1756 *

10Nov-05Dec T2T 1753
-Apr/12 T6BP 1746
-Jun/12 T6MO 1733
Unknown TL8ES 1755
-Jul/12 TN9SN 1755
29Nov-30Nov TO5A 1755
02Dec-04Dec TP50CE 1756 *
23Oct-23Dec TT8PK 1670/1723/1752
17Nov-14Dec V5/DJ4SO 1700/1701/1715/1754
02Dec-16Jan V5/DJ2BQ.. 1756 *
-Nov/14 V73NS 1604/1668/1752
-Dec/11 VK0BFG 1741
NOW VK0TH (Macq) 1748
Nov VK100ARV 1752
25Nov-03Dec VP2EAT 1755
23Nov-30Nov VP2V/N3DXX 1755
18Nov-06Dec VP2MWG.. 1754
-14Dec VP5CW.. 1756 *
28Oct-31Dec VP9/N1SV 1747
28Oct-31Dec VP9/N1SV 1751
19Nov-04Dec VQ91JC 1755
-Jul/12 VQ9JC 1755

30Nov-05Dec W3JH/KH2 1756 *
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
28Nov-02Dec XF1M 1755
02Dec-08Dec XV2LC 1756 *
12Nov-05Dec XV2CO 1753
01Nov-12Dec XV2RZ 1751
Unknown XV9DX.. 1756 *
24Nov-05Dec YN2CC 1755
21Nov-02Dec ZD8N 1754
-31Dec ZL50GH 1711
Dec ZF2HZ 1756 *
-29Dec ZK2V.. 1749/1756 *
-2012 ZS7KX 1740/1749

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

A61AS/40 via YO3FRI (B), (L)
A61LL/40 via EA5ZD
AH2R via JH7QXJ, (L)

BV100 via BV2KI (B)
BV100ROC via BM2JCC
BW/N3QQ via N7RO (B)
C5C via OM2FY (B)
C50C via OM2FY (B)
C6ATA via WA4WTG (B)
C91JR via GI4FUM (B)
EL2WS via N7CW (B) & e-mail request
EM0BSCC/mm via UU0JM (B)
EN20UO via UX5UO (B)
EO20M via UX7MA (B)
EO20ZZ via US0ZZ (B)
EY8MM via K1BV (B)
FJ/VE3EY via VE3EY (B)
FJ/VE3TA via VE3TA
FM/F5UFX via F5UFX (B), (L)
FM/KL7WA via UT5UGR
GC4EZW via GW4EZW
GJ6UW via M0BLF, (L)
HH2/HB9AMO via PA7FM, (L)
HI3A via ON4IQ (B)
HK1N via EA5KB (B)
HL3/JA5AQC via JA5AQC (B)
HP1WW via EA4BQ (B)
HQ2X via IK2ILH
HR5/NQ5W via W0MM
IR2ITA via I bureau
J6/WU1B via WU1B (d), (L)
J68FF via W3FF (d), (L)
J68UN via N7UN (d), (L)
JD1BMV via JK1EBA (B)
JG8NQJ/JD1 via JG8NQJ
JY4NE via K3IRV (B)
KB7Q/C6A via WA4WTG (B)
KG4AJ via AH0AJ
KK6BT/4 via KE8G
LY100SP via LY3BY
LZ1363PTT via LZ1KZA
LZ9X via LZ1RB
MI0/R9FD via R9FD (B)
NP4Z via N4AO
OA4/OE3NHW via OE3NHW (B), (L)
OH0/DL6UAA via DL6UAA (B)
OH0V via OH6LI
P40L via WA3FRP (B), (L)
PJ2/K2PLF via K2PLF (B)
PJ2/KJ6YL via KJ6YL
OH0Z via W0MM (B)
P40L via WA3FRP
PG65ISWL via (B)

PJ2/KJ6YL via KJ6YL
PJ4/KU8E via KU8E (B)
PJ7XK via JA7WFT (B)
S550ACP via S59ACP (B), (L), eQSL
SP0OTC via SP2IW
ST2AR via S53R (B)
XV9DX via OM3JW (B)
XU7ADT via KF0RQ (L), (d)
XV2LC via VK6LC (d)
YS1/HB9KNA via HB9KNA (B)
ZF2BI via K4BI
ZF2HZ via K9HZ, (L)
3W1M via OM3JW (B)
5K3W via (L)
5T0JL via ON8RA (B)
6W/AA1AC via AA1AC
8Q7DV via UA9CLB (B)
9G5MP via W3HNK
9G5XA via G3SWH (B)
9J3A via S57S (B)
9L0W via DK2WV (B)

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(*) = new QSL manager
(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) = e-mail request

QSLs arrived direct: GB1OL, HI3TEJ, SU1SK, V84SPB, YJ0ANR (NQ7R)

QSLs arrived bureau: CQ0ODX/p (CT1FMX), EA6/EA3PT (EU-004), XU7UFT (F6AXX),
TO5T (NA-107, JE1JKL), V5/DJ2HD, V5/DK1CE, 4Z4TI, 4Z5NX
XV9DX (OM3JW), YJ0HA (OC-035, HA5UK), 9M2TO (AS-015),
7X2ARA, 8Q7KO (AS-013, HB9KOF), 9M6/F4KBV (OC-088),
9U1KI (DH2KI)

QSL via LoTW: AM8BHD, BV100, C6AGU, C91VB/4, C91VB/6, CE0Y/LA9SN,
CE2/VE7SV, CE3/VE7SV, CO8TW, CU3DI, D60VB, DU1/EA3NT,
E77AW, EA8BHD, EA8/DL2MDU, EA8/DL3FCG, EJ/M0TOC, 5R8VB,
XU7KOH, XU7TZG, YC9WZJ, YJ0ANR, 5H3VMB/3, 5H3VMB/5,
7Q7GM, 7Q7VB, 9J2VB, 9K2OK, 9M2ZAK, 9M4SDX, 9M6NA

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1130. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 21 - 27 November 2011

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Source record: 3870
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:Issued: 2011 Nov 29 2039 UTC
# Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
# http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
21 - 27 November 2011

Solar activity was low. Region 1356 (N15, L=230, class/area Ehc/400
on 21 November) was the most region significant during the period.
Region 1354 (S17, L=268, class/area Dai /220 on 20 November) began
the period with a steady decline in area and complexity, ending as a
simple Axx group. As Region 1354 declined, Region 1356 grew in spot
count and magnetic complexity. It produced seven C-class x-ray
flares and ten optical flares on the 22nd, the largest of which was
a C4 at 22/0404Z. Several coronal mass ejections (CMEs) were
observed throughout the week; however Type II radio emissions were
only reported on 23/0847Z (1008 km/s) and 25/2154Z (931 km/s). The
sole CME expected to threaten earth was a full halo event on
26/0710Z that originated from a filament eruption near N08W49
accompanied by a long duration C1 flare. The CME was first evident
in LASCO C2 imagery at 26/0712Z and also easily seen in STEREO-A
COR2 imagery. Its velocity was estimated to be 790 km/s.

A greater than 10 MeV proton flux greater than 10 pfu event began
26/1125Z associated with the filament eruption described in the
solar summary. This event was still in progress at the time of this
report and reached a maximum of 80 pfu at 27/0125Z.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
normal to moderate levels the entire period.

Geomagnetic field activity was generally quiet. Brief unsettled to
minor storm periods were observed at high latitudes on 22 and 24
November associated with prolonged negative Bz.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
30 November - 26 December 2011

Solar activity is expected to be at predominately low levels with a
chance for isolated M-class activity due to the anticipated return
of several active regions.
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The current 10MeV proton event in progress is expected to end by prior to the beginning of the outlook period.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at normal to moderate levels the entire period.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to begin the forecast period at unsettled to active levels as a coronal hole high speed stream becomes geoeffective. Conditions should persist for a day or so before calming to mostly quiet levels from 01 December onward. Another coronal hole high speed stream is expected on 09 and 10 December, when activity may again increase to unsettled and active conditions. Mostly quiet conditions are anticipated once again from 11 - 23 December before the next coronal hole high speed stream is forecast to be geoeffective and produce unsettled to active conditions on 23 December. Mostly quiet conditions are forecast from 24 December through the end of the period.

1131. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2011-038E RAC - CaféPress Site.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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RAC Bulletin 2011-038E RAC - Caf&#65533;Press Site.
2011-11-29

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1132. Crossposting Permitted to rec.radio.amateur.moderated

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-01 07:00:02 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting-1-1322722801@panix.com>
Source record: 3872
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting
Revision: 1.2 2011/11/02 04:08:53
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rram/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

After a 30-day public discussion and feedback period to gauge reader
opinions in March of 2009:

http://groups.google.com/group/rec.radio.amateur.moderated/browse_thread/thread/d7d337db35
f23326

the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team had decided to consider |
amending its charter, and permit limited simultaneous crossposting to
rec.radio.amateur.moderated and one other unmoderated
amateur-radio-related discussion newsgroup. After a successful trial |
period (90 days, through early July 2009), we decided to adopt this |
change permanently. |

Approved rec.radio.amateur.* newsgroups are those that are currently
listed in the latest version of the "List of Big Eight Newsgroups" which
is crossposted monthly to news.announce.newgroups, news.groups, and
news.lists.misc.

Approved alt.radio.amateur.* and alt.ham-radio.* newsgroups are those
that have been created consistent with the suggestions in "So You Want
to Create an Alt Newsgroup" at:

http://www.faqs.org/faqs/alt-creation-guide/

Approved regional hierarchy newsgroups are those that contain either
"radio.amateur" or "ham-radio" in their names, including
uk.radio.amateur and aus.radio.amateur.misc.

We will make every reasonable effort to keep our list of approved
newsgroups up-to-date. In case we have overlooked any, and a submission
is rejected in error as a result, the rejected submitter can E-mail us
at our administrative contact address (in the signature at the bottom of
this article, and the default Reply-To for the rejection message)
requesting that it be added, and that the article be approved. We may
still choose to reject articles crossposted to any alt.* newsgroup with
an inappropriate name, including obscene language, embedded
name-calling, or encouragement of unlawful conduct.
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Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-amateur-moderated-request@panix.com.

1133. WIANEWS for WEEK COMMENCING DECEMBER 04 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-01 09:41:07 UTC
From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
Message-ID: <2f3ff42d-0480-4e9a-add7-4ced42385dbe@smxsrv01.vintek.net>
Source record: 3873
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2011-12-04.mp3
Text edition:

THE BEST NEWS YOU'LL GET ALL WEEK

Oh... and to contact us with your news because
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Email nationalnews@wia.org.au

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TWITTER http://twitter.com/VK1WIA

Please... If you are only submitting text and not audio, write your story as
you would expect to hear it being read back and NEVER send just links &
url's.

WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING DECEMBER 04 2011.

MORE POWER TO YOU! -

WIA OFFICE MANAGER MAL BROOKS ON OFFICE CLOSURE AND WIA AGM. -

RSGB Commonwealth Century Club Jubilee Award 2012. -

THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING DECEMBER 4 2011.

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MORE POWER TO YOU!

We start this WIA bulletin by listening to NZART President, Roy Symon, ZL2KH,
in their November Official Broadcast.

"NZART is pleased to advise members that Radio Spectrum Management has agreed to
our request that the general power limit for Amateur bands be increased. From
30 November 2011, power limit for most bands will rise from 500 to 1000 watts
peak envelope power (pX), as defined in ITU Radio Regulation 1.157.

The only exception to this increase is for those bands (130 to 190 kHz, 505 to 515 kHz, 26.95 to 27.30 MHz and 921.00 to 928.00 MHz) which currently have lower limits and, in these cases, the current limits will continue to apply.

This is a very satisfactory conclusion to the HBARC Remit to the 2011 NZART Conference and will assist NZ Amateurs to:

participate in weak signal work including EME, meteor scatter, DXing etc;

remain competitive, despite our remoteness, when participating in contests.

For further information on licence conditions, please see the updated Amateur General User Radio Licence (GURL) on the RSM website."

(Don Wallace, ZL2TLL, NZART Administration Liaison Officer)

As soon as it became available, the WIA provided the ACMA with a copy of the amended New Zealand amateur General User Radio Licence, pointing out that many Australian amateurs would seek to rely on the New Zealand decision and also again expressing concern at the long delay that had occurred in the consideration of our own submission.

On 15 October 2010 the WIA had lodged a submission with the Australian regulator, the ACMA, seeking a power increase for Advanced licensees on the amateur primary allocations on a case by case basis.

The WIA argument and proposal was fully set out in the Comment in the November 2010 issue of Amateur Radio magazine.

After that, at the request of the ACMA, the WIA provided further information. Representatives of the WIA met with ACMA staff from the Licensing Development Section of the Infrastructure Regulation Branch on the 16th May 2011 to clarify certain aspects of the submission and the additional information that had been provided.

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The ACMA has told the WIA that the delay is regretted, but that it was committed to resolving the issue, taking into account the New Zealand decision, within the next three weeks.

I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP, and I've been thinking.

Let me start by referring you to www.wia.org.au home page. In the news last week an item from Michael, VK3KI, explaining the logic behind the ACMA discussion paper on proposed price rises for different services. You will see that President Michael explains that these rises only apply to services delivered by ACMA not the contracted examination service conducted by the Institute.

I received a forwarded email containing the ACMA documents from one of my radio club members and reading the covering email and the explanatory document sent

shivers down my spine. And rightly so as it would suggest that to complete a Foundation assessment wouldn't have left much change out of $400. This seemed like the death knell of all our efforts in growing the hobby.

After forwarding this information to the club, the Queensland Advisory Committee via Mike VK4QS and our worthy News Editor, VK4BB, I was rewarded by a reply from Graham, the next day, directing me to Michael's explanation.

So for all the other amateurs who were spooked like me it is gratifying to find a simple explanation that allows the blood pressure to drop. However 2 things strike me, namely that the discussion paper was released on the 6th November and the forwarded email was dated 21st November; secondly the Australian Government publishes a writing style guide to help the public service draft documents which are clear, concise and unambiguous so why were we amateurs looking as if we were being shafted?

I'm Geoff, VK4ZPP and that's what I think.....how about you?

(qnews dec 4)

ACMA proposes changes to Melbourne commercial radio service 3MP

The Australian Communications and Media Authority is seeking public comment on a proposal to amend the operating conditions of Melbourne commercial radio broadcasting service 3MP.

3MP is also known by its on-air ID's 3MTR and MTR1377.

The ACMA is proposing to increase 3MP's transmitter power and change the directionality of its radiation pattern to improve reception in northern and western Melbourne.

(sourced to acma)

Personalised learning the new way forward for Australian students

According to Susi Steigler-Peters, author of Personalised Learning and Telstra General Manager for Education, today's student is transforming how education is delivered and how new technologies can provide an enhanced learning experience.

"Today's students are growing up in an environment saturated with technology and, as a result, the old broadcast method of teaching doesn't fit anymore.

"Students are looking for a robust learning ecosystem that is 'learner centric', taking into account the needs, interests, and learning style of the student and leveraging technology in a meaningful and engaging way," Ms Steigler-Peters said.

Schools could make use of services such as video conferencing, unified communications, SMS, MMS and mobile devices.

The research also highlights the opportunity that smartphones and tablets provide teachers in the classroom, such as schedules, assignments and room changes sent straight to students' phones.

While on the go, students can post learning content and comments to class wikis or blogs and use instant messaging to collaborate.

The Personalised Learning whitepaper was launched at the Connectivity: Creating Learning Futures Conference in Melbourne.

A full copy of the white paper can be found online at www.telstra.com/education

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news
Email Address : r_demkiw@yahoo.com.au

CTCSS TONE ON THE PADDINGTON 2 METRE REPEATER - VK2ROT on 147.025 MHz

Listeners should note that the CTCSS access tone on this repeater has been changed to 91.5 Hz to help combat interference and also to be in common with most other Australian repeaters.

The Paddington 70 cm repeater tone remains unchanged for the time being.

(vk2wi)

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/
Police Roundup http://www.vicpolicenews.com.au/

Announcing the Centre Victoria RadioFest No. 5, the date is Sunday the 12th of February. It is the major event in Victoria and will be held at the Kyneton Racecourse.

The Organising Committee from Amateur Radio Victoria is now busy developing the program - keep a watch on the website for more details.

Mini-lecture program coordinator Peter Cossins VK3BFG is reporting that he has secured Australia's first showing of home-brew digital television.

Also part of the program is a look behind the scenes at the ACMA, Digital Slow Scan TV and the Super DX station ZL6QU at Quartz Hill by its Chair of its Committee 1997-2011 and avid contester, Brian Miller VK3MI ZL1AZE.

The Centre Victoria RadioFest is on Sunday the 12th of February, put it in your diary right now.

Points are contact are:
Commercial Traders Liaison, Barry Robinson VK3PV 0428 516 001
Second hand tables are space, Ross Pittard VK3CE 0408 533 107
Club Corner Precinct, Tony Hambling VK3VTH 0423 635 152

(Bruce Lees VK3FFF)

A birthday not to be forgotten easily

The introduction of the limited edition Amateur Radio Victoria Centenary Award has certainly proven to be the success story of the year.

Although logs for the month-long special callsign VK100ARV are still being tallied, many thousands of QSOs were logged as radio amateurs around Australia and overseas were anxious to make contact.

It began on the Melbourne Cup weekend and ended last Tuesday with the duo of Terry Murphy VK3UP and Tony Hambling VK3VTH giving their all.

Thank you to the Scout Radio Electronics Unit, Western & Northern Suburbs Amateur Radio Club, The Digital Slow Scan TV Group, The VK3RTV Gang and the Sunraysia Radio Group.

Individual operators included Luke Steele VK3HJ, Peter Freeman VK3PF, Joe Walsh VK3XN, Michele Grant VK3FEAT and Keith Proctor VK3FT. All of their contributions toward the Centenary are now within the VK100ARV roster online

(vk3pc)

VK4 - QNEWS
Send your stories for news. SCRIPT to qnews@wia.org.au
send audio to http://www.wia.org.au/members/broadcast/upload/

get local audio news www.wiaq.com/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
get local news emailed qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

theTARCinc 2011 Christmas Party and Monster Auction happens on Sunday afternoon December 11th from 2-00pm at the VK4TJS Satellite Dish City.

During the afternoon the Mystery XMAS Pressie auction will take place so make sure you bring a suitably wrapped pressie for this fun event.

Bring your eskys full of drink (no glass please), your comfy camp chairs or picnic blankets for the BBQ, your cozzies if you want to go for a swim, some treasure for the Monster Auction, lots of small change for your Monster Auction and Pressie Auction purchases and your appetites -

A call for catering numbers is now underway. Make sure you get your numbers in to Gavin VK4ZZ otherwise you will go hungry

December 11th from 2-00pm.

Redcliffe and District Radio Club
www.redclifferadioclub.org.au/

I'm Ray, VK4CF with news from Redcliffe & Districts Radio club.

Last Saturday there was a good roll-up to the club's Christmas function which was held at 4 Mile creek hotel, Strathpine. It was good for many of the partners of members to also meet each other as well. Unfortunately Santa was not able to make the function but he did say that he would be coming later in the month.

The calendar of events for the rest of a really busy month is as follows:

Mon 5 December, a normal Social Meeting
Sat 10 December, 9.00am start, the Working bee. This has been shifted a number

of times but we have no room left for another shift this year.
The priority tasks for the morning are:

1. Replace the guttering on the roadside of the club house and recover whatever may be reusable as spares for failure on the opposite side. If you have ladders and tools for spouting-guttering type work could you bring them to the club.

2. Install Brackets and wiring for the 6 metre Yagi. The wiring is available at the club and will comprise 3 core cabling for the rotator and coaxial for the antenna feed. Again tools, ladders and cabling tools are needed as well as hammers, power drills etc for wiring installation, and finally,

3. Move the Kitchen Bench. This requires removal of screws fixing cabinet to base. Again power tools, screwdrivers, chisels, drills etc are needed. The base is to be left as is only the top is to be shifted. Roger, VK4ZLQ, estimates that it will take about 30 minutes to move the cupboard contents out, 20 minutes to shift and refix the bench, 30 minutes to restore the contents.

Monday 12 December, a General Meeting night and the last one for 2011.

Monday 19 December, it is the 3rd Monday is normally Technical Talk but nothing has been scheduled as yet.

Monday 26 December, the club will not be open,

Tuesday 27 December, Boxing Day, it is the Bunnings' Sausage Sizzle. There is an early morning start at 7.30am. Even if you cannot
complete a full morning or afternoon your attendance for
some part of the day would be greatly appreciated by all.
Please reply back to the club secretary, Roger, VK4ZLQ,
whether you can or cannot assist.

Monday 2 Jan 2012, the club is not anticipated to be open on this evening.

Well that's what is happening for the next month.
So it's 73 until next time from Ray, VK4CF, from the Redcliffe club.

I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP and I've been thinking.
Going back to February, this year, the Council of Australian Governments, COAG , adopted a report on emergency preparedness. This is available on the Attorney General's website under Emergency Management Australia.

By now you will have seen the TV adds and probably received the "Get Ready" brochure in the mail. You will notice that every household is requested to have an emergency kit which will provide support for 3 days.

I have previously issued reminders at the approach of the summer storm season for amateurs to prepare their station and have a go kit.

A recent program of the ABC Radio National "Future Tense" addressed the issues of emergency and disaster communications with particular emphasis on the worth of social media. The Qld Police Facebook postings were mentioned as a successful

implementation of this technology. However we all know that the capacity of the mobile phone system is soon overloaded during crises and internet connections usually require mains power. One fallen tree over the power lines can take this away. I believe that hobby radio amateur, CB and 4WD club land mobile can all make a big difference when the frailty of new technology deserts us.

That's what I think... how about you?

For QNews, this is Geoff VK4ZPP.

EDUCATION YOUTH AND ADVANCEMENT OF AMATEUR RADIO
www.hamcollege.com.au

USA Amateur Radio exams at Hamfest India-2011

An interesting one this, USA Amateur radio exams are scheduled to be conducted during the Indian (VU) Hamfest-2011 on 10th Dec 2011 at 5.30 PM.

Anyone who is interested can avail this opportunity and get their license before Christmas and New year celebrations!.

Even though walk-ins are allowed (subjected to VE team decision on the spot), it's strongly recommended to register!

http://sites.google.com/site/ab9usvu2ipl/

Speaking of US EXAMS, news that the USA a report that a six year old has gained her ticket.

Priscilla Harder KD0PLJ of Newton, Kansas earned her Technician class licence during a session held at the Kansas State Convention.

A part of a radio amateur family, her dad is Kent N0XOS and mother is Dana KB0RAT. Their youngest child is Phebe who hopefully will get her call sign in a couple of years.

Being within a radio amateur family is of great benefit as far as interest and learning is concerned.

The Australian Foundation Licence has proven to be popular and its recommended for individuals with a reading and concept ability at least a 10-year old.

(sourced to arv)

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART and the WW sources of the WIA.

AMATEUR RADIO AND THE ROCK N ROLL WORLD.

Joe Walsh WB6ACU celebrates

The Eagles reach their 40th anniversary by touring in 2012. In an interview with Rolling Stone Magazine, Joe WB6ACU said the band will pull out all the stops to create a new set up well worth the price of admission.

He revealed that he and his mates on the classic rock group will take to the road for about five months.

Joe WB6ACU said a lot of material had been archived from the Eagles early days, including concert footage, interviews and the like.

(ultimateclassicrock.com/the-eagles-tour-next-year/)

"Crocodile Rock" Amateur Group will be operating the special event callsign GB2PG on 3/4th Dec and 10/11th Dec 2011 from Ardrossan, Scotland.

This event is to commemorate the 90th anniversary of the first shortwave transatlantic radio signals being received in Ardrossan by the American Paul Godley in December 1921.

The station will be active mostly on 80 - 10 metres SSB with some CW.

QSL QTHR via Buro or GM0DEQ.

For live blog updates please visit
http://gb2pg.blogspot.com/

A reminder that if you have been putting off working through the ARISSat-1 repeater, receiving SSTV pictures, or submitting telemetry, the next few weeks will be your last opportunity to be a part of this satellite's history.

Since deployment in August, ARISSat-1 has descended about 60 km, and is currently losing more than 1.5 km per day. The rapid rate is partially the result of the recent solar activity on the atmosphere, significantly increasing the drag.

The predictions by several individuals and groups are all converging toward a re-entry in January or February, 2012.

The orbit period changes about 30 seconds per day, and that will increase steadily. Be certain to update your tracking program Keps from Space-Track or CelesTrak before each pass.

They issue revised versions 3-5 times daily.

As the descent continues, this will become even more critical to copying the telemetry beacon.

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

HAMS ASKED TO HELP IN ISS PLASMA EXPERIMENT

The Central Research Institute of Machine Building in Russia has proposed a test using the worldwide ham radio community to receive a VHF packet downlink on 145.825 MHz This from a new plasma space experiment on the International Space Station.

The Central Research Institute is conducting a series of space plasma experiments in order to evaluate the shape of previously observed "dead" zone, or shadowing due to the firing of an on-board arc jet plasma source.

Radio Amateurs are invited to participate in this space plasma experiment known as Shadow. One matter of interest is that highly ionized exhaust plumes may scatter RF signals producing large communications free zone.

More on this experiment and how to participate is on-line at tinyurl.com/plasma-in-space

RATS DAMAGE RADIO NETHERLANDS TRANSMITTER ON BONAIRE

Radio Netherlands is kind of saying "Oh rats!" This with word that the international shortwave broadcaster has encountered serious damage to one of its Thomson transmitters on the island of Bonaire due to an invasion of the pesky critters.

According to Media Network, the vermin have destroyed part of the transmitters high voltage power supply and the station is awaiting the arrival of spare parts have from Switzerland. Radio Netherlands hopes to have the damage repaired by the time this newscast goes to air.

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WEIRD AND WONDERFUL

Now here is something to ponder in the Weird and Wonderful File.
Submitted by Kevin, VK4KEV, recently returned from Macquarie Is.

Why do we say 73 at the end of a QSO?

It's not, as some think, the legacy of an archaic code; rather it is a very, very special number and needs to be celebrated regularly.

Why is 73 so special?

Spell it out and you'll find it has 12 letters in its name.

Indeed this is the smallest integer to do so.

Read on and see why this is significant.

The mirror of 73 is 37 and this is the 12th prime number,
73 is the 21st prime number and guess what multiplies to make 21?
Yep, 7 & 3!

To make 73 even more interesting it is a palindrome in binary - 1001001 which is the same backwards or forwards.

Of the 7 digits used to represent 73 in binary, 3 are ones.

So you think it's coincidence that we wind up our QSO's with 73?

No - let's celebrate that unique number -

73 for now!

I'm Geoff, VK4ZPP

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E

2012

January VK Ross Hull Memorial VHF UHF Contest

March 17-18 VK JOHN MOYLE MEMORIAL FIELD DAY

June Long Weekend (vk4 time) VK Shires Contest.

July First full weekend NZART Memorial Contest

August VK Remembrance Day Contest

August 18-19 WW International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend.

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

Phil is in Chad and active as TT8PK until 23rd December.
Activity is limited to his spare time.
QSL TT8PK via F4EGS.

Mark, 6W/AA1AC on the air from 4th to 11th December from Senegal.
He plans to be on 80 through 10m.
QSL via the bureau or direct to his home call.

Special prefixes for Canadian radio amateurs

To celebrate the 75th Anniversary of CBC/Radio Canada, 1st of December to the
31st of December 2011, Canadian Amateurs may use the following prefix,

VG for VA,

VX for VE,

XJ for VO,

XK for VY.

Peri, HB9IQB, will be in Palestine in December and has a licence as E4/HB9IQB.
Mostly on CW on 12, 17 and 30.
www.hb9iqb.ch/palestine.html

Morse celebrations

Members of the Japan A1 Club will activate the following special
call sign until December 31st:

8J1MORSE, 8J1MORSE/2, 8J1MORSE/3 etc,
according to the district from which they are active from. Activity is to
celebrate 220th anniversary of Samuel Morse's birthday.

Operations will be mainly CW, with some SSB (to explain the novices how to
join the CW community). Some special awards are also available too.

QSL by the Bureau

Logs will be uploaded to LoTW as well.

For more details, the English rules and information are available at:
http://8j1morse.a1tokai.net

Just a reminder for the prefix hunters that the station LM9L40Y
will be on the air until the end of December.

This call is operated by members of the LA9L radio club in Norway and is
to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the club.

AWARDS

RSGB Commonwealth Century Club Jubilee Award 2012

2012 is the Queen's Diamond Jubilee and mindful that the Queen is the head of
the Commonwealth of Nations we are pleased to announce a new operating award
for 2012.

To qualify for an attractive certificate all you need to do is to work as many
different countries and call areas on the Commonwealth Century Club list
during 2012.

Certificates will be awarded for working 60 and 100 different call areas.

Use any mode or bands you like and QSL cards are not required.

Score sheets and full details can be downloaded from
www.beru.org.uk/CCCaward/CCCindex.html

G3PJT@btinternet.com

To commemorate the 25th anniversary of the FISTS Club founding a new award has
been established.

Announced in the latest edition of the FISTS Downunder magazine, it marks the
founder as the late Geo Longden G3ZQS and comes in three versions.

The FISTS Club was founded in 1987 after recognising a need for a club in which
veteran operators would help newcomers and less-experienced operators learn and
improve CW or Morse code proficiency.

FISTS Downunder is the chapter in Australia and New Zealand.

In summary

Version 1 is a basic open ended award for working 25 unique prefixes
Version 2 is the same but with a time limit
Version 3 is confined to working FIST members.

With increased propagation on HF the new and established FISTS awards are
expected to be popular indeed.

Full details are headed Prefix Awards at
http://www.fistsdownunder.org/awards.htm

(sourced to fists and arv)

WIRELESS WEATHER

CME impact on November 28

Auroras are dancing around the Arctic Circle following a CME impact during the late hours of November 28th.

High-latitude sky watchers and readers of this VK1WIA news service, especially in Scandinavia, Canada, and Alaska, should be alert for Northern Lights.

Check http://spaceweather.com for more information and images.

THE QNEWS WORK BENCH - the nuts and volts report - Measure Twice cut Once.

BROADCAST TEAM MEMBERS ENTER ILLAWARRA CRYSTAL SET COMPETITION.

The recent Illawarra A R S crystal set building competition attracted entries from two of the VK2WI Broadcast Team. They were in the non-club section.

The winner was Peter VK2BEU who based his design on constructing his set from Meccano parts!

Runner up was Al VK2VEC who constructed his set along the more conventional layout.

(sourced to Tim VK2ZTM)

MEDIA WATCH
www.cq-amateur-radio.com/WorldRadio.html
VK Club Bulletins http://groups.yahoo.com/group/aarnie/

Technology Show Gives Thumbs Up For Amateur Radio

Tech Talk Radio is a weekly IT and technology show with a listening audience of thousands of technology enthusiasts and professionals, it is aired across a network of 25 broadcast stations.

This week's show featured an interview with Robert Broomhead VK3DN talking about amateur radio.

Various aspects of amateur radio were covered in a concise fashion through the lengthy interview. Robert VK3DN told how he had visited schools where students chatted with orbiting astronauts, and drew on his experience at this year's IARU Region 3 ARDF Championships held at Maldon.

more details on WIA FRONT PAGE NEWS (wia.org.au)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ATV (Every pixel tells a story) - Video
arvideonews.com
hamradiotube.com
youtube.com
qdg.org.au

Free SSTV Online Book

Martin OK2MNM has made his new book "Image Communication on Short Waves" available free on the web.

You can either read it online or download the chapters in PDF format.

Image Communication on Short Waves can be found at
http://www.sstv-handbook.com/

You can join the MMSSTV Yahoo Group at
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/MM-SSTV/

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- CW
FISTS Club - East Asia www.feacw.net
FISTS Club - Australasia www.fistsdownunder.org
FISTS Club - UK & Europe www.fists.co.uk
FISTS Club - Americas www.fists.org

FISTS Club Down Under say the 2011 Christmas Key is a miniature camelback key made by GHDTelegraph Key in Sendai City Japan, incorporating traditional Japanese craftsmanship with GHD's impeccable engineering and finish.

In keeping with GHD's larger keys, the Morse Express 2011 Christmas Key is fully adjustable, with precision pin bearings at the trunnion, miniature binding posts, comfortable knob, and perfect balance. The contacts are hard-silver and the finish is satin chrome plate.

The distinctive base is beautifully grained mahogany, and the knob is hand-turned.

GHD's Toshihiko Ujiie uses both modern and traditional techniques to produce a miniature key that will be equally at home in the radio shack, in the field, or decorating a Christmas tree.

According to Marshall Emm N1FN "The Christmas keys have always been a labour of love for me and my first priority has always been usability. GHD has brought considerable expertise to the precision manufacture of the Christmas keys, and the 2011 is about as small as you can make a key and still have good functionality.

The 2011 key measures 5.08 cm by 2.86 cm at the base and it weighs less than 57 gm. The 2011 Christmas Key is a LIMITED EDITION of 180 keys priced at $89.95, plus shipping and handling. Each key has a label with Christmas2011 and a unique serial number.

www.MorseX.com

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

AMSAT-VK UNOFFICIAL HF Net.
2nd Sunday each month.
April through October 1000 UTC 3.685 MHz
November through March 0900 UTC 7.068 MHz

AMSAT-NA VP Operations, Drew Glasbrenner, KO4MA reported today,
"It is with a heavy heart I report that AO-51 has ceased transmission
and is not responding to commands."

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AO-51. It's 7 year mission has been extraordinary.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- IOTA
http://rsgbiota.org

AN-016, Antarctica:

Starting in December 2011 Felix, DL5XL, and Lars, DL1LLL, will be QRV as DP0GVN from the German Neumayer III Station (IOTA AN-016).

Felix is going back to Germany in February 2012 and Lars is preparing for the overwintering until Feb 2013.

QSL via DL5EBE (bureau/direct).

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RADIO AMATEUR OLD-TIMERS
http://www.raotc.org.au

December RAOTC Bulletin.

Members and friends of the Radio Amateurs Old Timers Club of Australia are reminded that the December RAOTC Bulletin can be heard tomorrow, Monday December 5th on the following frequencies:

In Victoria at 10 a.m. local time on 145.700 MHz FM, plus 1843 kHz AM, and 3650 and 7060 kHz SSB.

Throughout the Eastern states the Bulletin can be heard on 20 metres on 14150 kHz beamed north from Melbourne at Mid-day Eastern Daylight Saving Time or 11 a.m. in Queensland.

In Western Australia the Bulletin can be heard at 10 a.m. local time via all linked NewsWest repeaters and also on 7060 kHz from Bunbury or 14150 kHz beamed direct from Melbourne.

We look forward to hearing from all listeners during call-backs after the bulletin.

73 from Clive VK6CSW.

SOCIAL SCENE

2011

Dec 4 VK7 REAST Christmas Car Boot Sale and end of year festive day:

2012

15TH IARU REGION 3 CONFERENCE hosted by V.A.R.C. in Ho-Chi-Minh City, Vietnam.

JAN 23-FEB 17 YEAR 2012
World Radio Conference WRC-11 Geneva 23rd January TO 17th February 2012

FEB 12 VK3 CentreVictoria Hamfest, Kyneton Racecourse

FEB 26 VK2 CCARC WYONG FIELD DAY

APR 14-15 VK WIA National Field Day.

MAY 3-18 VK5 YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

MAY 25-27 VK3 WIA Annual Conference Mildura

JULY 14 VK4 Wide Bay Hamfest. West Maryborough Scout Hall

Nov 12 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST (ROSEBUD BY THE BAY)

WIA Annual Conference Mildura

May 25th, 26th and 27th 2012

Details for the WIA 2012 Annual Conference being held in Mildura are on
wia.org.au

Host club is Sunraysia Radio Group, led by Garry Briant VK3KYF and
Noel Ferguson VK3FI.

WIA Members who register for the event will be able to participate in a
range of fascinating and memorable activities.

FINAL FINAL

This is Mal VK3FDSL

I wish to advise that the National Office of the WIA will close for the Christmas break at 4pm Melbourne time on Friday 23rd December. We will re-open at 10am Melbourne time on Monday 16th January 2012.

During that time no examinations or callsign recommendation applications will be processed nor book orders dispatched. Book orders placed after Monday 19 December are unlikely to be dispatched before the office reopens in January. Orders for exam packs received before 21 December will be dispatched before Christmas.

The Wireless Institute Of Australia extends to all radio amateurs very best wishes for the festive season

Submitting news items

If you would like to submit news items for inclusion in the
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to submit audio read "how to submit items" in the weekly news page on
wia.org.au

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being broadcast in the very next edition of WIA National News.

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Vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
http://lists.wia.org.au/mailman/listinfo/vk1wia-news

1134. online form filling jobs

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-01 09:42:48 UTC
From: brisk brisk <6brisk@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <6b729f76-a9e6-4989-be2d-1df40e047971@w3g2000vbw.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3876

online form filling jobs
http://onlinejobsprocess.weebly.com

1135. online form filling jobs

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-01 09:43:11 UTC
From: brisk brisk <6brisk@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <6f0afab5-948e-4fbd-9bff-409f610627f7@o13g2000vbo.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3877

online form filling jobs
http://onlinejobsprocess.weebly.com

1136. online form filling jobs

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-01 09:43:38 UTC
From: brisk brisk <6brisk@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <895fb051-19c4-461b-86b7-51293b221d10@r28g2000yqj.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3875

online form filling jobs
http://onlinejobsprocess.weebly.com

1137. online form filling jobs

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-01 09:44:00 UTC
From: brisk brisk <6brisk@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <769b5323-2440-43f7-b902-e7a25e889e6e@y7g2000vbe.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3874

online form filling jobs
http://onlinejobsprocess.weebly.com

1138. online form filling jobs

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-01 09:54:56 UTC
From: brisk brisk <6brisk@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <de70ba37-c8e4-454a-bc3e-805a482ca84c@v8g2000yqk.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3878

online form filling jobs
http://onlinejobsprocess.weebly.com

1139. ** MMMonVHF Newsletter / No.1 - WEEK 48/2011 **

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-01 15:57:19 UTC
From: MMMonVHF News Mailer <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <201112011556.pB1FuVid024136@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 3879
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our lastet NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2011-12-01
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter, once a week (thursday)
from now on - if any special activities will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further detail please be so kind and watch our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you vy welcome for any
input and we do hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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** Meteorscatter Propagations in December 2011 **

December is, as usual, characterized by the return of one of the
most active (and probably the most reliable) major annual showers:
the Geminids. Geminids maximum is expected to occur on December
14th, 17h30m UT, with ZHR = 120 hr-1 at peak. The Geminids peak
is typically quite broad (thus ensuring a several-days-long period
of good MS activity) , although the rates sometimes decay fairly
quickly after the maximum. Have a look to Geminids predictions and
tips, as well as those for other minor showers in December 2011
and an overview of 2011 Leonids at http://www.mmmonvhf.de/ms.php
SOURCE: Massimo, IV3NDC, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

** ARRL EME Contest Dates for 2012 and 2013 **

Dear EME Friends, Now that the 2011 ARRL International EME
Competition is history, we'd like to call your attention to
the fact that dates for the 2012 contest have been posted on
the ARRL web site: http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar Scroll
down and click on "2012 Contest Calendar", then scroll down to
October, November, December. ...
SOURCE: Joe, K1JT and Mike, KL6M via Moon-Net

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: UN ; Square: MO13 ; Start: 2011-12-01 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=4063

Paul, UN9L, will be active in december as UP20EME. He be qrv
from MO13TF on 144 MHz EME with the call UP20EME for 20 years
of Kasachstan. QSLï¿½s via DK3WG.
SOURCE: tnx to Jï¿½rgen, DK3WG direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: EA ; Square: IN86 ; Start: 2011-12-19 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=4066

EA7/DH6DAO qrv from IM86AR during XMas Time
Another holiday activity from southern spain at Lighthouse
ES0009. Hope for some conditions via F2 or winter-ES++
SOURCE: tnx to DH6DAO direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: DL ; Square: JO34 ; Start: 2012-03-23 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=4062

Island of Helgoland (JO34WE) qrv on 2m and 70cm end of march
2012. Amateur Radio Meeting on Island of Helgoland. The meeting
takes place every two years.
SOURCE: tnx to DK2CRN direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** JD1BLY qrv again HF and 6m (QL17CC) **

JD1BLY(JI5RPT) will be active from Chichijima Island (IOTA AS-031)
Ogasawara on 80m to 6m + Satellite CW/SSB/DIGI (NO 6m EME) from
Dec. 24 2011 to Jan. 2 2012. QSL via my home callsign JI5RPT.
My logsearch will be on my web site: http://www.ji5rpt.com/jd1/
I also use Twitter to inform my real time activities
http://twitter.com/jd1bly SOURCE: Makoto via Bill/NG3K DX News

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** 8Q7HU qrv on HF and 50 MHz **

Bert, CX3AN and Mario, CX4CR will be active from Maafushi Island
(AS-013, WLOTA 3911, WW Loc. MJ63RW), Kaafu Atoll (North Male
Atoll), Maldives, as 8Q7HU between 25 January and 5 February, 2012
QRV on 80-6m, using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via CX3AN
(QRZ.com). SOURCE: [dx-world.net] via ICPO Bulletin

** HK0NA Malpelo Isl. DXpedition 2011/2012 **

Recently three US members (K4UEE, N4GRN and W6IZT) of the Malpelo 2012 DXpedition flew to Cartagena, Colombia and met with six of their Colombian counterparts. The purpose of the two day meeting was to make some critical decisions about the upcoming DXpedition to Malpelo Island. Also, checklists and inventories were finalized and all team members' responsibilities were assigned.
Since it is highly unlikely that the various Colombian authorities will permit another DXpedition to Malpelo anytime soon; a decision was made to extend the DXpedition to 16-17 days from the previous 12-14 day plan. The approximate dates of operations will be January 21, 2012 through February 5/6, 2012.
Four team members will travel with all equipment, radios, antennas and infrastructure to Malpelo in early January. They will be transported by the Colombian Navy. They will arrive about two weeks prior to the rest of the Team and will set up camp, the two operating sites, radios and antennas. They will spend about 30 days on the island. This will allow the rest of the team to begin radio operations immediately upon arrival by chartered vessel.
As mentioned there will be two operating sites, each with a complete complement of antennas and radios with amplifiers. The first operating site will be co-located with the Colombian marine's camp on the east side of the island. It is clear to East Coast USA, EU and Africa. In order to have a clear shot at JA/Asia, the Pacific region and W6/W7; the second operating site will be located near the top of the highest mountain peak on the island. However, to lessen the physical risks to the team members, the operating site will be located on platforms situated below the actual peak. Still, it will be a 45 minute uphill climb to reach the platforms. The antennas for that site will be on the top of the mountain peak. At times, there will be as many as nine stations QRV with the capability of dual mode operations on all bands.
Safety of the team is paramount. We will be installing a winch system to hoist team members and all of our equipment from our chartered ship's Zodiac onto the island. From there, manpower will carry the equipment the 300 meters straight uphill to the marine camp. The trail to the elevated operating site is extremely dangerous. We will utilize harnesses and safety ropes to minimize the risks. This is going to be a difficult and expensive DXpedition
Every effort will be made to maximize QSOs while protecting the safety of the team members. It is a delicate balance. Your financial support is necessary and gratefully accepted.
Contributions can be made via our website at: www.hk0na.com/sponsors
We plan periodic press releases with information of interest. Also watch the website for breaking news.
SOURCE: Jorge Prieto, HK1R DXpedition leader via Goto List

** NEWSLETTER-DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF week **

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next WEDNESDAY 2359 UTC ...

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The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF - Newsletter Credits & Info
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Our Newsletter is compiled from the input of the USER of the
VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF and as well by a lot of free usable
HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats
like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USER who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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1140. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2011-039E - Radio Amateurs of Canada Executive for 2012-2013

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-01 19:10:30 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4ED7D0C1.8040607@rac.ca>
Source record: 3880
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RAC Bulletin 2011-039E - Radio Amateurs of Canada Executive for 2012-2013
2011-11-30

It gives me great pleasure to announce your incoming Radio Amateurs of Canada Executive members for 2012-2013.

RAC President - Geoff Bawden, VE4BAW
First Vice President - Ian MacFarquhar, VE9IM
Chief Field Services Officer - Doug Mercer, VO1DM
Chief Information and Technology Officer - James Hay, VE2VE
International Affairs Officer - George Gorsline, VE3YV
Regulatory Affairs Officer - Bill Gade, VE4WO
RABC Representative Officer - Norm Rashleigh, VE3LC
Honourary Legal Counsel - Marcel Mongeon, VA3DDD
Corporate Secretary - Paul Burggraaf, VO1PRB

There were no candidates for Treasurer, Public Information Officer or the Member Services Officer positions. I would like to thank Nominations Committee Chairperson Ed Frazer VE7EF and the RAC Directors for their assistance in the Executive nomination and election process.

Congratulations are extended to the Executive members above and thank you for your service and willingness to step forward for the national organization.

On behalf of the Board of the Radio Amateurs of Canada, I wish to express a sincere "Thank You and Happy Retirement from the RAC" to VPIA Daniel Lamoureux, VE2KA for his many years of dedicated service in numerous roles to the RAC. Last but not least, a sincere "Thank You" to VPRA Richard Ferch, VE3KI for his three terms keeping the regulatory side on the forefront and to Treasurer Margaret Tidman, VA3WXM for taking on the financial reigns the past two years.

Paul Burggraaf VO1PRB
RAC Corporate Secretary
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Vernon Erle Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Quebec
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1141. The ARRL Letter for December 1, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-02 02:29:16 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20111201212739.CB24A27C5C8@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 3881
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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==> + FCC NEWS: FCC GRANTS SECONDARY SERVICE ALLOCATION TO WIRELESS
BROADBAND MEDICAL MICROPOWER NETWORKS

In their regular meeting on Wednesday, November 30, the four FCC
Commissioners unanimously agreed to allocate spectrum and adopt service
and technical rules for the utilization of new implanted medical
devices that operate on 413-457 MHz (70 cm). These devices will be used
on a secondary basis as part of the Medical Data Radiocommunication
Service in Part 95 of the FCC rules. The Amateur Radio Service also has
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a secondary allocation on the 70 cm band. These new rules are the result of a Notice of Proposed Rule Making that the FCC released in March 2009. A Report & Order that will define these new rules is expected soon.

According to the FCC, these devices would greatly expand the use of functional electric stimulation to restore sensation, mobility and function to those persons with paralyzed limbs and organs; they would be implanted in a patient and function as wireless broadband medical micropower networks (MMNs).

Calling the new rules an "advance[ment of] its mobile broadband agenda," the FCC said this will create "a new generation of wireless medical devices that could be used to restore functions to paralyzed limbs. Medical Micropower Networks (MMNs) are ultra-low power wideband networks consisting of multiple transmitters implanted in the body that use electric currents to activate and monitor nerves and muscles." The Commission also noted that its National Broadband Plan -- released in 2010 -- observed "that the use of spectrum-agile radios and other techniques can significantly increase the efficient use of radio spectrum to meet growing demand for this valuable resource. MMNs illustrate how advanced technology can enable the more efficient use of spectrum to deliver innovative new services." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-grants-secondary-service-allocation-to-wireless-broadband-medical-micropower-networks>.

==> + AMATEUR RADIO IN SPACE: AMSAT ANNOUNCES END OF OSCAR 51 MISSION

AMSAT-OSCAR 51 <http://www.amsat.org/amsat-new/satellites/satInfo.php?satID=1> -- the popular FM repeater satellite -- has likely reached the end of its operational lifespan. AMSAT-NA Vice President of Operations Drew Glasbrenner, KO4MA, issued the following statement on November 29: "It is with a heavy heart I report that AO-51 has ceased transmission and is not responding to commands. The last telemetry data indicated that the third of six batteries was approaching failure to short, and observations indicate the voltage from three cells is insufficient to power the UHF transmitters. The IHU [internal housekeeping unit] may continue to be operative. Initial tests with the S band transmitter were also not positive, although more attempts are in order. We have tried leaving the satellite in an expected state where if voltages climb high enough, the 435.150 transmitter may possibly be heard. The command team will regularly attempt communications with the satellite over the coming months (and years). There is always the possibility that a cell will open and we could once again talk to our friend while illuminated. Thanks to all who helped fund, design, build, launch, command, and operate AO-51. Its 7 year mission has been extraordinary."

==> + ON THE AIR: THE ARRL 10 METER CONTEST -- GET ON WHILE THE BANDS ARE HOT!

Ten meters -- in case you haven't heard, is alive in a big way! That means that the ARRL 10 Meter Contest -- coming up the weekend of December 10-11 -- is going to be the one of the best we've seen in years! During this event, many propagation modes will be available: Sporadic-E will help you work stateside stations, a touch of meteor scatter in the morning will give you split-second chances to work stations -- you'd better be quick, though! -- and DX stations will be plentiful, thanks to the return of F2 propagation. ARRL Contest Branch Manager Sean Kutzko, KX9X, said that he keeps hearing from numerous hams who have been licensed only three or four years, telling him that they've never experienced a 10 meter opening because they weren't licensed during the last solar cycle peak: "A common phrase I'm hearing is, 'Now I understand what all the Old-Timers in my club were talking about -- 10 meters is great!' With a concentration of activity for the contest, there will be an opportunity for the first time in several years to experience the beauty of a wide-open 10 meter band. With so much excitement worldwide over the great conditions, the 2011 ARRL 10 Meter Contest could see the highest level of participation in a very long time!" Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/the-arrl-10-meter-contest-get-on-while-the-bands-are-hot>.

==> + ON THE AIR: 2012 MALPELO DXPEDITION TO BE EXTENDED

The HK0NA DXpedition to Malpelo -- an island located approximately 235 miles from Colombia's Pacific coast -- is scheduled for early 2012. Organized by the DX Radio Amateur Club out of Colombia, the DXpedition boasts an international team of 16 operators from eight countries. According to DXpedition leader Jorge Prieto, HK1R it is highly unlikely that the various Colombian authorities will permit another DXpedition to Malpelo anytime soon. With this in mind, he said that the dates of the DXpedition will be extended by two to three days from the previous 12-14 day plan. The approximate dates of operations will be January 21-February 5/6, 2012. Operations are planned on 160-6 meters on CW, SSB and Digital modes, including EME. Malpelo is currently #12 on DX Magazine's 100 Most Needed Countries Survey. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/2012-malpelo-dxpedition-to-be-extended>.

==> ARRL IN ACTION: WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO?

Compiled by ARRL News Editor S. Khrystyne Keane, K1SFA

This feature is a concise monthly update of some of the things that the ARRL is doing on behalf of its members. This installment -- which covers the month of November -- takes a look the 2011 Division elections, the latest happenings at W1AW, microwave bandplanning, freshman engineering students getting their Technician tickets, reports from the Official Observer Desk and more. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-in-action-what-have-we-been-up-to-lately-40>.

==> + LOGBOOK OF THE WORLD: LOTW PROCESSING UPDATE

Logbook of The World (LoTW
<http://www.arrl.org/logbook-of-the-world>) is continuing to accept and
process logs, including logs from this past weekend's CQ World Wide CW
Contest. Before the contest, LoTW had just about caught up with the
backlog, but due to the high number of logs submitted after the
contest, is once again seeing delays. As of December 1, the processing
delay is at 22 hours -- down from 45 hours last week -- with
approximately 830,000 QSOs in 2500 logs still waiting to be processed.
If it has been more than 48 hours since you uploaded a log to LoTW and
your log has not yet been processed, please upload it again. Remember:
Do not send entire logs that contain previously uploaded QSOs -- use
the date range option when signing logs, selecting only those QSOs in a
specific date range to upload to LoTW. Thanks again for your patience.

==> LAUREN CLARKE JOINS ARRL STAFF AS INDIVIDUAL GIVING MANAGER

The ARRL is pleased to welcome Individual Giving Manager Lauren Clarke
to the Headquarters staff in Newington. Lauren -- who will be working
in the ARRL Development Office -- will be taking over the many funds in
the Development Office, such as the Diamond Club
<http://www.arrl.org/the-arrl-diamond-club>, the Education & Technology
Fund <http://www.arrl.org/education-and-technology-fund>, the Spectrum
Defense Fund <http://www.arrl.org/spectrum-defense-fund> and the W1AW
Endowment Fund <http://www.arrl.org/w1aw-endowment-fund>. This will
allow ARRL Chief Development Officer Mary Hobart, K1MMH, to shift her
focus to the ARRL Second Century Campaign
<http://www.arrl.org/files/media/News/ARRL_Second_Century_Campaign_Vision_Sta
tement.pdf>.

Though Lauren comes to the ARRL with more than 20 years of
experience in non-profit fundraising, this is her first experience with
a technology organization. "My background has been primarily focused on
the social services and arts side of the coin," she said. "I've worked
with the United Way, the Greater Hartford Arts Council and the
Wadsworth Athenaeum. I am very excited to be here at the ARRL. The
League does wonderful work and it is wonderful to see how our members
embrace it and Amateur Radio."

Lauren expressed her appreciation to the ARRL volunteers, members and
staff who have welcomed her here at ARRL Headquarters: "Everyone has
all been very welcoming and helpful as I learn about Amateur Radio and
work toward getting my Amateur Radio license. We are definitely a team
in the Development Office, and I hope to build on the hard work of Mary
and Development Associates Margie Bourgoin, KB1DCO, and Maryann
Macdonald to continue raising funds to support the ARRL's initiatives."

As she learns more about the ARRL and Amateur Radio, Lauren said she
finds that her primary interest is Emergency Communications and the
ARES® program. "With so many terrible storms and natural disasters that
have hit the US and other countries recently, I am proud to be
associated with an organization that supports the volunteers who
quickly step in to help people and their communities during these
disasters," she explained. "I am looking forward to the Dayton

Hamvention® in May and meeting many of our members and donors in person."

"When Lauren joined the Development staff, she dove right in, working on the departmental budget details and 2012 plan," Hobart said. "She has taken a fresh look at some key fund raising programs and she is adding value to whatever she does. The ARRL is very fortunate to have in Lauren an experienced Development professional who shares our fund raising philosophy and is building solid relationships with staff and donors. I am confident that Lauren has a bright future at ARRL."

Lauren and her husband live in the Greater Hartford area. They have two children: a daughter who is attending Tufts University and a son in high school. Lauren and her family are active in the local Labrador Retriever rescue organization and serve as foster parents for dogs awaiting adoption. She also enjoys recreational rowing and gardening. If you would like to discuss giving opportunities with the ARRL -- or would just like to welcome Lauren to the ARRL family -- you can reach her via e-mail <lclarke@arrl.org> or by phone at 860-594-0348.

==> DAYTON HAMVENTION: CHARLES KAISER, KD8JZR, NAMED DAYTON HAMVENTION® ASSISTANT GENERAL CHAIRMAN

On November 21, 2012 Dayton Hamvention® General Chairman Mike Kalter W8CI, announced that Charles Kaiser, KD8JZR, would take over as Assistant General Chairman of the largest hamfest in the US. Kaiser is replacing Josh Long, KD8BVD, who stepped down due to work commitments. "I am lucky to find someone who is as committed as Charles," Kalter said. "He has served on a number of committees and knows Hamvention well. I know he will be an excellent assistant." Kaiser, who is retired, said that he considered the time requirements carefully before accepting the position and is ready to devote as much time as needed to ensure that the 2012 Hamvention is a success. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/charles-kaiser-kd8jzr-named-dayton-hamvention-assistant-general-chairman>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "Like the Moon and the stars and the Sun <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EqP3wT5lpa4>" Cook, K7RA, reports: November conveniently ended on the last day of the data reporting period for the upcoming bulletin, so we can now look at recent averages. Solar Cycle 24 continues to turn up. We have a new high for the trailing three month daily sunspot number average. Starting with the three month period ending in December 2010 and going through November 2011, they were: 30.1, 35.3, 55.7, 72.3, 74.4, 65.9, 61.5, 63, 79.6, 98.6 and 118.8. There hasn't been a three month period with average daily sunspot numbers above 118.8 since way back in June, July and August 2003, when the average was 121.9. The latest forecast from NOAA/USAF has the solar flux on December 1-11 at 145, 140, 135, 135, 140, 135, 135, 145, 150, 150 and 155, and then at 160 on December 12-18. The planetary A index on December 1-10 at 8, 8, 7, 7, 5, 7, 5,

5, 8 and 8, and then 5 on December 11-22. In case you missed it, we had an extra bulletin on Monday morning <http://www.arrl.org/news/the-k7ra-solar-update-193>, and last week's bulletin was a day early <http://www.arrl.org/news/the-k7ra-solar-update-192>. Look for more information on the ARRL website on Friday, December 2. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by John Lennon's Instant Karma! (And We All Shine On) <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Instant_Karma%21>.

==> + ARRL CONGRATULATES: ALLEN BAKER, KG4JJH , WINS NOVEMBER QST COVER PLAQUE AWARD

The winner of the QST Cover Plaque Award for November is Allen Baker, KG4JJH , for his article "Build Your Own DSP Speaker. " Congratulations Allen! The QST Cover Plaque award -- given to the author or authors of the best article in each issue -- is determined by a vote of ARRL members on the QST Cover Plaque Poll Web page <http://www.arrl.org/cover-plaque-poll> . Cast a ballot for your favorite article in the December issue today.

==> HAMS LISTEN TO MARS SCIENCE LABORATORY SIGNAL

As NASA's Mars Science Laboratory was streaking away from Earth just seven hours after its November 26 launch, amateurs using the AMSAT-DL <http://www.amsat.org/amsat-dl/adl-engl.html> facility in Bochum, Germany eavesdropped on its 10 GHz telemetry signals. At 21:45 UTC, the spacecraft was about 70,000 miles from Earth, heading for a rendezvous on the red planet in August 2012. James Miller, G3RUH, remotely reconfigured the Bochum tracking and receiving system, aiming the 20 meter parabolic dish antenna toward the Mars Science Laboratory. According to Miller, the signal had a spin-modulation of +/-3.5 Hz at two revolutions per minute. The dish at Bochum is also used by AMSAT-DL to automatically receive real-time solar data from the NASA STEREO A/B satellites. The data is transmitted to a NOAA server in the US via the Internet.

==> + AMATEUR RADIO FUN: THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS -- FROM A HAM'S PERSPECTIVE

Just in time for the Holidays, Gary Pearce, KN4AQ, has created a video version of Clement Clark Moore's poem A Visit from St Nicholas -- more commonly known as The Night Before Christmas -- but Pearce's version has a decidedly Amateur Radio twist. With a guitar accompaniment by Don Mercz, WA3AYR, A Ham's Night Before Christmas features QST magazine covers, Gil cartoons and Christmas-themed QST advertisements from days gone by. Click here <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c_9REVC4dtc> to watch the video on the ARRL YouTube channel.

==> THIS WEEK ON THE RADIO

This week:

- December 2 -- NCCC Sprint
- December 2-4 -- ARRL 160 Meter Contest
<http://www.arrl.org/160-meter>
- December 3 -- TARA RTTY Melee; Wake-Up! QRP Sprint
- December 3-4 -- TOPS Activity Contest
- December 4 -- 10 Meter RTTY Contest
- December 6 -- ARS Spartan Sprint

Next week:

- December 9 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- December 10-11 -- ARRL 10 Meter Contest
<http://www.arrl.org/10-meter>; CWops Mini-CWT Test; International
Naval Contest
- December 11 -- SKCC Weekend Sprint; CQC Great Colorado Snowshoe Run
- December 11-18 -- NA High Speed Meteor Scatter Winter Rally
- December 14 -- NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint; NAQCC-EU Monthly Sprint
- December 14-15 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test
- December 16 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder; Russian 160 Meter Contest;
AGB-Party Contest
- December 17 -- OK DX RTTY Contest; RAC Winter Contest; Feld Hell
Sprint
- December 17, 2011 -- January 1, 2012 -- Lighthouse Christmas Lights
QSO Party
- December 17-18 -- Stew Perry Topband Challenge; Croatian CW Contest

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest
Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update
<http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest
Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more
information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out
the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page
<http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- December 3-4, 2011 -- ARRL West Central Florida Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-central-florida-section-convention-tampa-b
ay-hamfest-1>,
Palmetto, Florida
- January 8, 2012 -- ARRL New York/Long Island Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/new-york-long-island-section-convention-ham-rad
io-university-2012>,
Bethpage, New York
- January 27-28, 2012 -- ARRL Mississippi State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/mississippi-state-convention-capitol-city-hamfe
st-1>,
Jackson, Mississippi
- February 4, 2012 -- ARRL Virginia State Convention

<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/virginia-state-convention-frostfest-2012>,
Richmond, Virginia; ARRL South Carolina State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/south-carolina-state-convention-1>,
Ladson, South Carolina
- February 10-12, 2012 -- ARRL Northern Florida Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/northern-florida-section-convention-orlando-ham
cation-1>,
Orlando, Florida
- February 17-18, 2012 -- ARRL Southwestern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southwestern-division-convention-1>,
Yuma, Arizona
- February 18, 2012 -- ARRL Arkansas Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arkansas-section-convention-1>, Hoxie,
Arkansas
- February 25, 2012 -- ARRL Vermont State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/vermont-state-convention-ham-con-2>,
South Burlington, Vermont

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1142. NZART Headquarters Infoline issue 243

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-02 06:50:01 UTC
From: "ZL1AMW (infoline)" <infoline@nzart.org.nz>
Message-ID: <9A18BC4F89CE4C85A9ED2FFAD296A934@AlanLaptop>
Source record: 3882
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM HQ

NZART Headquarters Infoline Issue 243

02 December 2011

NZART Website: www.nzart.org.nz

In this issue:

· From the desk of HQ

· RSM Call Sign Clean Up

· Intruder Watch request

· FMTAG recommendations

· Housekeeping

>From the Business Manager ZL2DL

Debby Says…Thank you to all those who paid their subscription on or before the 30 November in order to be eligible for the membership prize draw.

The draw was held under police supervision using random number generating software on Thursday 1st December. I am pleased to advise that the Icom Hand Held Radio was won by John Moore ZL4TIO of Pine Hill Dunedin. Congratulations John, we look forward to a photo in the Jan/Feb issue of Break In, when you receive your prize.

Break In advertising…As you all know Break In is the official journal of NZART. One very important way to ensure costs in production of this are kept at a reasonable level, is advertising. AND WE NEED MORE advertisers.

Perhaps you may know someone in business who is looking for advertising space in the coming year.

Thinking outside the square on this, for example perhaps an insurance broker or retirement homes, maybe, although this may sound morbid, funeral homes.

There are many possibilities and I know the Break In advertising manager would be very keen to hear from you if you have some suggestions. Please contact either Lorne Douglas ZL2AHB on advertmanager@nzart.org.nz or me here at HQ.

HQ closed…Although it is yet to be confirmed, headquarters will be closed through the two short weeks over the Christmas period. Dates of closure will be advertised on the NZART web page.

Finally as this will be the last issue of Info-line for this year, I would like to thank all those contributors who help to make each issue more enjoyable and you the readers for your interest. The next issue of Info-line will be sent out on Friday 6th February 2012.

In the meantime…have a very happy and safe holiday season

Debby ZL2DL

Callsign Clean-up

Further to the information in Headquarters Infoline Issue 221, Radio Spectrum Management have advised that they have now completed emailing Amateurs, who have a client email address in SMART, asking them to update their contact details. This exercise resulted in a low level of phone calls to the RSM Business Service Centre and a low number of emails to RSM so the records appear to be more accurate than originally thought.

RSM will now progressively attempt to contact the 2000 Amateurs who do not have an email address by post over the next few months asking them to update their Client Records.

Intruder Watch: Russian Numbers stations on 20 Metres.
Region 1 IARUMS have reported a number of stations appearing on 14280 kHz in A3E/AM mode at 1000 GMT/UTC on Wednesday 2 November and Wednesday 16 November.

Apparently this is the 1010 GMT/UTC schedule, 1000 GMT/UTC schedule is on 12365 kHz. They have been using this schedule since January 2009.

The Russians change the frequencies every few months, but are also reusing old schedules. These are of Russian origin.

Russia within Region 1 has a Primary allocation in the range 14250 - 14350 for the Fixed Service i.e. numbers stations, so the activity of the numbers station is certainly legal.

If you do hear numbers stations, outside this range, please report them to MS@NZART.ORG.NZ or via the various route available to you.

FMTAG NOTES FOR HQ INFOLINE 243 - 2nd DECEMBER 2011

PROPOSALS

Branch 60 Taupo has applied for a VHF Linking Station (VLS) at Maroanui, located at TOPO50 BF36 634.01 323.75, to provide a link between the Maroanui 675 repeater and the Taraponui 725 repeater. The link transmit frequency will be 147.850 MHz and the receive frequency will be 147.250 MHz.

FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS TO COUNCIL

None this time.

COMMENTS AND APPLICATIONS

Please send your comments and suggestions on the above matters, and on any other FMTAG matters, by e-mail to: fmtag@nzart.org.nz

Applications for repeaters, beacons, digipeaters, point-to-point links, and so on, should be made on the latest version of FMTAG Form 10. The latest versions of FMTAG Form 10, and the explanatory Form 10A, are available on the NZART web site:

http://www.nzart.org.nz/fmtag/index.html

Completed forms should be sent by e-mail to fmtag@nzart.org.nz

Housekeeping

1.. Break-In-Closing Date Reminder: Copy for the Jan/February 2012 issue of Break-In-closes on 10 January 2012.
2.. Copy for Break-In: Copy is welcome in most electronic formats but word.doc files are preferred. Photos and other graphics should be send as separate discrete files (*.jpg preferred); not as embedded pix in the body of the text. Please ensure that suitable descriptive captions/legends are included with your copy.
All received copy will be acknowledged to confirm receipt.
Thank you for your cooperation.
John Walker ZL3IB Editor.
3.. Break-In: Early receipt of copy is much appreciated
4.. Break-In-AREC Column: The close-of-copy date is the 5 January 2012 for articles for publication in the AREC COLUMN OF BREAK-IN. Photos, if available, to be on a separate floppy or CD (with captions), posted DIRECTLY TO US. Use the Call Book address. All other material can go to e-mail:
zl3qr@nzart.org.nz or zl3ov@nzart.org.nz
5.. The ARRL and WIA Weekly News
6.. Subscribe TO/FROM Infoline
Next NZART Official Broadcast is on Sunday 18th December 2011. Next HQ-Infoline e-mailed on FRIDAY 6th February 2012. Closing date for this is Thursday 5th February.

1143. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2011-040E - Notice to TELUS customers using the @RAC aliases.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-02 07:46:08 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4ED881C2.4080803@rac.ca>
Source record: 3883
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2011-040E - Notice to TELUS customers using the @RAC aliases.
2011-12-02

Starting on Nov. 23 there has been a significant increase in
unsolicited bulk e-mail arriving for @rac.ca e-mail addresses. TELUS
chose to stop accepting messages after only a short period each day
resulting in most @rac.ca aliases destined for TELUS customers being
significantly delayed.

Messages are again being accepted by TELUS.

Owing to TELUS policies it has become necessary to have the e-mail
server block any messages which are normally marked as spam and
destined for TELUS customers. There is the possibility that some
legitimate messages may not be delivered. While I will try to make
what adjustments I can to avoid this TELUS customers should be aware
that TELUS has wrongly identified legitimate e-mail addressed to
@rac.ca aliases as spam.

To all other destinations we will continue to simply mark messages as
possible spam to allow members to make their own final determination.

While I apologize for this inconvenience, it is caused by TELUS overly
aggressive anti-spam policy.

James R. Hay, VE2VE
Vice President Technical and Administrative Services
Radio Amateurs of Canada

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Vernon Erle Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
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1144. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1790 - December 2 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-02 10:00:22 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20111202100003.CE9FA33C8E@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3884
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1790 - December 2 2011

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1790 with a release date of
Friday, December 2nd, 2011 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. An unwanted Christmas present as new rules
on BPL to take effect on December 21st, the AO-51 ham radio satellite
falls silent while ARISSSat One may be approaching its last days in
space; hams in Germany hear the Mars Space Laboratory as it wings its
way toward the red planet, New Zealand hams get a power upgrade, and
the controversary over the speed of light continues. Find out the
latest details are on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1790
coming your way right now.

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THE BPL FIGHT: FCC SECOND R&O RULES TAKE EFFECT DECEMBER 21

Barring any last minute appeal by the American Radio Relay League or
another entity, the FCC's latest order to revise rules for access
Broadband over Powerline systems is set to become effective on December
21st. Amateur Radio Newsline's Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, reports:

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The commission's second Broadband Over Powerline or BPL Report and
Order was published in the Federal Register on November 22nd making the
effective implementation date December 21st. However, Petitions for
Reconsideration concerning it are also due on that same date. As such
there is speculation that the ARRL may ask for a reconsideration before
the implementation date arrives.

As previously reported here on Amateur Radio Newsline, the ARRL had
argued there should be mandatory notching of the amateur bands to a
level 35 dB below the general emission limit to reduce the likelihood
of harmful interference to amateur stations. In the Second Report and
Order the commission decided not to adopt mandatory notching. Instead,
the agency increased the requirement for BPL systems to have the
ability to notch frequency bands to at least 25 dB. This is an
increase of 5 dB from the prior requirement of 20 dB.

The ARRL called the increase in notch depth a step in the right
direction but said that doesn't go far enough to protect the amateur
radio spectrum from harmful interference of the type known to be

generated by Broadband over Powerline data transmission systems. The ARRL is on record as stating that it believes that now is the time to fix the rules by imposing mandatory notching of BPL signals in all of the Amateur Service spectrum. This is so that any new entrants will be competing on a level playing field with the existing Broadband over Powerline firms that have recognized the need for notching out of the amateur bands.

In other matters addressed in the Report and Order, the FCC also made technical adjustments to its rules for determining the distance between a power line and a measurement antenna and for determining site-specific extrapolation factors. This as part of a measurement standard modification for determining whether a BPL system is in compliance with the maximum allowable levels of radiated emissions.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, from near Pittsburg, Pennsylvania.

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While Broadband over Powerline has failed in the marketplace as a medium for delivering broadband connectivity to consumers, the technology is perceived to have some `smart grid' power delivery and system monitoring applications.

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: AO-51 GOES QRT

The AO-51 ham radio satellite has gone QRT. AMSAT-North America Vice President of Operations, Drew Glasbrenner, KO4MA says that the bird has ceased transmission and is not responding to any commands from the ground.

Glasbrenner's announcement came on Tuesday November 29th. In making public word of the demise of AO-51, KO4MA, noted that the last telemetry data received had indicated that the third of six batteries that power AO-51 was approaching a short circuit condition. Also that further observation indicated the voltage from three remaining cells was insufficient to power the UHF transmitters. Initial tests with the S-band transmitter were also not positive either, although more attempts are expected.

Glasbrenner says that the control team tried leaving the satellite in a configuration where if voltages climb high enough, the 435.150 transmitter may possibly be heard. He says that the command team will regularly attempt communications with the satellite over the coming months noting that there is always the possibility that a cell will open from its short circuited state and make AO-51 useful once again.

And in a related item, word that Clint Bradford, K6LCS, is attempting to document the last VHF and UHF communications through AO-51. To find out more go to his special Web page for at tinyurl.com/AO51-DCARR.

The AO-51 ham radio satellite was on-orbit and serving the world-wide ham radio community for the better part of 7 years. (ANS, K6LCS, Others)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: ARISSAT-1 APPROACHING LAST DAYS ON-ORBIT

If you have been putting off trying to make contacts through the ARISSat One on-orbit repeater, the next few weeks will be your last opportunity to be a part of this satellite's history.

Since deployment in August, ARISSat One has descended about 60 km, and is currently losing more than 1 point 5 km per day. The rapid rate is partially the result of the recent solar activity on the atmosphere, significantly increasing the drag.

The predictions by several individuals and groups are all converging toward a reentry of ARISSat One into the Earths atmosphere in January or February of 2012. Heating will become significant before then.

The orbit period changes about 30 seconds per day, and that will steadily increase. As the descent continues, this will become even more critical to copying the telemetry beacon.

The ARISSat One team says that getting good telemetry in this period will provide it with valuable information to be used in future projects. The latest information on the orbital health of ARISSat One is on-line at www.arissat1.org.

(WA4SCA)

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WORLDBEAT: NEW ZEALAND HAMS GRANTED POWER INCREASE TO A FULL GALLON

Hams in New Zealand are celebrating. This with word that their regulatory authority has granted then a power increase of up to one Kilowatt. Amateur Radio Newsline's Jim Meachen, ZL2BHF, is in Nelson, New Zealand with more:

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It has been suggested as a Christmas gift arriving early for amateur radio operators in New Zealand. That's the news from the countries Communications Regulator, Radio Spectrum Management that it has agreed to a request from New Zealand's National Amateur Radio Society, NZART, that the general power limit for Amateur bands be increased. NZART Members were informed of the news by their President Roy Symon, ZL2KH, on the Society's National Broadcast on Sunday 27th November.

>From the 30th November 2011, the power limit for most NZ amateur bands bands will rise from 500 watts to 1000 watts peak envelope power as defined in ITU Radio Regulation 1.157. The only exception to this power increase is for those bands (130 to 190 kHz, 505 to 515 kHz, 26.95 to 27.30 MHz and 921.00 to 928.00 MHz) which currently have lower limits

and, in these cases, the current limits will continue to apply.

This result is seen as a very satisfactory conclusion to the Hawkes Bay Amateur Radio club Remit submitted to the 2010 NZART Conference. It will assist New Zealand Amateurs to participate in weak signal work including EME, meteor scatter, DXing etc and to also remain competitive, despite New Zealand's remoteness, when participating in contests.

Reporting from sunny Nelson, New Zealand, I'm Jim Meachen ZL2BHF for Newsline.

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According to ZL2BHF, a November 28th news release from the Wireless Institute of Australia's Peter Young, VK3MV, indicates that the New Zealand decision may well be the needed catalyst for the ongoing discussions between that national society and the Australian regulator ACMA. This in regard to a similar power increase for Australian Advanced class licensees. (NZART)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the W9UVI repeater of the Peoria Amateur Radio Club serving the city of Peoria Illinois.

(5 sec pause here)

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REACHING OUT: ARRL TO RELEASE NEW VIDEO AIMED AT MAKER COMMUNITY ON DECEMBER 27

'The DIY Magic of Amateur Radio' is a new 8 and one half minute video from the American Radio Relay League to be released on Tuesday, December 27th. Its target audience is the world-wide maker and hacker community. Amateur Radio Newsline's Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, has more:

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According to the ARRL, the show is directed toward the D-I-Y or Do It Yourself movement. This is a fairly new leisure time interest that is inspiring a whole new generation of techno hobbyists. It also could be a pool of future technologists who might want to become hams if they knew morew about our hobby and that's the reason the new video was created.

To do this, Executive Producer Allen Pitts, W1AGP and Producer Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF brought together an all-star team consisting of several well known film makers along with some newcomers to ham radio movie making.

Directed by Hollywood's Dave Bell, W6AQ, the video which is titled "The Do It Yourself Magic of Amateur Radio" was recorded on location in Ohio, Texas, North Carolina, California, Utah and on-orbit aboard the International Space Station.

It's script was written by Henry Feinberg, K2SSQ, of West Orange New Jersey. Feinberg is a former producer of the award-winning Watch Mr. Wizard science television series. A winner of several Cine Golden Eagle awards, K2SSQ is also the ham radio operator who created the umbrella space communicator seen in the Steven Spielberg motion picture "ET the Extraterrestrial."

The show is hosted by famed New York City based maker community leader and fashion designer Diana Eng, KC2UHB. Mark Abramovich, NT3V, serves as the show narrator.

Original music was provided by Andrew-John Huddleston, Oh-Zed-5-E, and his Denmark-based group "The Ham Band."

Dave Booth, KC6WFS, of Santa Clarita, California was the shows principal videographer.

According to the ARRL, the new video will be simultaneously released on its Facebook, Twitter and YouTube pages, and will be also be available at www.arrl.org. DVD copies for showing to large audiences in high definition 16 by 9 wide screen and standard 4 by 3 definitions will be available at a later date.

For the Amateur radio Newsline, I'm Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, reporting from Zion, Illinois

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Again that's Tuesday, December 27th at about 10 a.m. Eastern U.S. time for the release of the new ARRL video titled The Do It Yourself Magic of Amateur Radio. It's a magic carpet ride into a pair of techno-hobby worlds that compliment one another very well. (ARRL, DIY Production Team)

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RADIO IN THE MEDIA: FOX NEWS REPORTS HAM RADIO GROWTH

Fox News reports on the boom in Amateur Radio licenses in the United States. According to Fox, in October the FCC logged 700,314 licenses, with nearly 40,000 new ones issued in the last five years.

In her report Michelle Macaluso interviews John Pritchett W6JWK. She also shows an Amateur Radio Direction Finding competition. Her story is titled Radio Days Are Back: Ham Radio Licenses at an All-Time High. You will find it on-line at tinyurl.com/fox-ham-stats. (QRZ.COM)

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RADIO LAW: WALDEN RELEASES SPECTRUM AUCTION MEASURE

United States House of Representatives Communications Subcommittee Chairman Greg Walden, W7EQI, and other GOP panel members have introduced a version of a broadcast spectrum incentive auction bill. The measure would authorize the FCC to reclaim spectrum from broadcasters for re-auction and compensate them from the proceeds. It also sets aside money to compensate broadcasters who elect not to give up spectrum for the costs of moving to another channel or sharing channels with another broadcaster. It also covers the costs incurred by cable operators of moving their systems to accommodate such a change. The end result of the bill is to allocate spectrum for an interoperable broadband public safety network. That also would align the measure more closely with the Senate version that has already passed out of the Commerce Committee there. More on this proposed measure is on-line at tinyurl.com/walden-auction-bill. (B&C)

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RADIO BUSINESS: MIRACLE ANTENNA SUSPENDS ORDER TAKING DUE TO ILLNESS OF VA2ERY

If you are planning to purchase a product from Miracle Antenna, be aware that the company has temporarily stopped taking orders. According to a notice on its website, online ordering has been temporarily suspended due to medical illness and to please check back with us soon.

For those not aware, Miracle Antenna is the Montreal Canada-based company that manufactures the very popular Miracle Whip and other accessory items that are extremely popular with both the QRP and H F back-pack communities. An e-mail received by Bryan Herbert, KE6ZGP, and forwarded to Newsline confirms that Robert Victor, VA2ERY, is quite ill and that his family has stepped in to help with running the business.

According to the e-mail to Herbert, for the moment the Victor family is only filling standing orders and answering e-mails. Anyone wishing to contact the family or to send get well wishes to Robert Victor, VA2ERY, may do so by e-mail to info (at) miracleantenna (dot) com. For information updates please keep an eye on miracleantenna.com. (KE6ZGP, others)

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RADIO BUSINESS: MORSE DECODER FOR MAC

If you are a ham who uses an Apple computer, then here's something just for you. The Southgate news reports that Morse Decoder is a simple to use Mac OS X application for translating Morse Code sounds into text. The program uses the built-in microphone on an Apple Mac with both audio filtering and DSP signal analysis.

Morse Code Decoder also includes a built-in spectrogram to detect the audio frequency of the Morse Code tones, and an optional narrow band audio filter to help filter out background noise.

More information is on-line at tinyurl.com/mac-morse-decoder. And if you do give Morse Decoder a try please let us know how well it works. Nobody here at Amateur Radio Newsline has a Mac to try it ourselves. (Southgate)

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HAM HONORS: DAYTON HAMVENTION SOLICITING NOMINATIONS FOR 2012 AWARDS

>From now through January 15th he nominating period is open for the 2012 Dayton Hamvention Awards. As in previous years, the Hamvention will honor three deserving individuals with the Technical Excellence, Special Achievement, and Amateur of the Year Awards. Also receiving recognition will be a ham radio group or organization which will be selected as Radio Club of the Year. To be considered for any of these awards the nominations must be submitted no later than January 15, 2012. Nomination forms and instructions on how to file are on-line at hamvention.org/awards.php. (WS8B, Hamvention 2011)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: HAMVENTION 2012 GETS NEW ASSISTANT GENERAL CHAIRMAN

Also from the Dayton Hamvention comes word that General Chairman Mike Kalter W8CI, announced the appointment of Charles Kaiser, KD8JZR, as the events new Assistant General Chairman. Kaiser replaced Josh Long, KD8BVD, who stepped down because of work commitments.

The Dayton Hamvention is the world's largest amateur radio gathering. It opens May 18, 2012, and runs for three days at the Hara Arena in surban Trotwood, Ohio. This will be its sixty-first consecutive year and planners believe that more than 20,000 people will attend the 2012 outing

For more information about Dayton Hamvention 2012 please visit the website at www.hamvention.org or e-mail media@hamvention.org on the World-Wide-Web. (Hamvention)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: HAM HELPS OPEN NEW SPACE EXHIBIT AT AMERICAN MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY IN NYC

The American Museum of Natural History has raised the curtain on its brand new space exhibition with help from two seasoned space travelers one of whom is an amteur radio operator.

NASA astronauts Mike Massimino and John Grunsfeld, KC5ZTF both flew on the last space shuttle mission to service the Hubble Space Telescope. The two were on hand at the museum to introduce a new exhibition called "Beyond Planet Earth: The Future of Space Exploration."

The American Museum of Natural History is located on Central Park West at 79th Street in New York City. The new space exhibit will run through August 12, 2012. More is on-line at

www.amnh.org/exhibitions/beyond. (Space.com)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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WORLDBEAT: SOUTH AFRICA'S DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATIONS WITHDRAWS UNPOPULAR AMENDMENTS

In news from around the world, word that South Africa's Department of Communications has withdrawn a proposed and very controversial Electronic Communications Act amendment bill. This, for further consultation with that nations government leadership.

The proposed amendments to the Electronic Communications Act would have diminished the Independent Communications Authority of South Africa power on several fronts. This would have included frequency allocation and spectrum management by giving a government Minister more power over these issues.

There was widespread opposition across South Africa to the proposed amendments. At airtime it is not certain as to when South Africa's Department of Communications will publish revised changes to the Electronic Communications Act, if at all.

According to the South African Radio League this issue was high on its agenda to be considered and discussed. Now however as matters currently stands, the SARL sees no further action required at this time. (SARL)

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WORLDBEAT: RSGB ANNOUNCES UK CLUB OF THE YEAR COMPETITION

If you like n the United Kingdom, this one is for you. The Radio Society of Great Britain has announced its Club of the Year Competition now open.

The Club of the Year Competition is described as an RSGB Regional Team initiative designed to encourage local radio clubs to do more in their communities to promote amateur radio. Locally based, the idea is get recognition of a club's efforts by the amateur radio community.

The competition will be independently judged and will concentrate on a club's contribution to promoting amateur radio, its contribution to training and education, its work in charitable activities and general

club activities. Each region will get to present its own trophy and all the trophy winners from around the UK will be entered into a national competition where we select a National Club of the Year and two runner ups.

More about this competition is on-line at www dot rsgb dot org slash clubooftheyear. This is an idea that other national societies around the world might want to consider making into a global competition event. (Southgate)

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RADIO IN SPACE: HAMS HEAR MARS SCIENCE LAB AS IT FLIES TOWARD MARS

The world's largest ever built extraterrestrial explorer is on its way to Mars. The six-wheeled, one-armed robotic rover named Curiosity known officially as the Mars Science Laboratory blasted off from Cape Canaveral at 10:02 a.m. Eastern time on Saturday, November 26th. It was carried into space on board an Atlas Five launch vehicle. The journey to Mars will take 8&#65533; months and cover 354 million miles.

Meantime a group of radio amateurs have received signals from the Mars Science Laboratory using an AMSAT DL amateur radio facility in Germany. Barely 7 hours after launch, the X-band telemetry signal from the lab was received using the ham radio station at the German AMSAT group's resource at Bochum.

This is believed to be the first reception of the Mars Science Laboratory outside of the NASA Deep Space Network. The signal, received by the ham operators was with the probe at a distance of 112,000 km from Earth. Telemetry said the enroute lab had a spin-modulation of +/- 3.5 Hz at 2 revolutions per minute.

The Mars Science Laboratory is expected to arrive at the red planet in August 2012 after a nine month flight. (AMSAT DL)

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ON THE AIR: CELEBRATING THE CBC/RADIO CANADA 75th ANNIVERSARY

On the air, listen out for some special prefixes to be used by Canadian hams during the month of December. From December 1st to the 31st the prefixes . VG, VX, XJ and XK will be utilized by those Canadian radio amateurs who wish to help celebrate the 75th Anniversary of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation and Radio Canada.

Better known as CBC/Radio-Canada, the famed broadcaster offers programming in English, French and eight aboriginal languages on its domestic radio service. It also broadcasts in nine languages on its international radio service known as Radio Canada International. A recent addition is its Web-based eight language RCI Viva. This is described as being a service for recent and aspiring immigrants to Canada. (Georgian Bay Amateur Radio Club, Wikipedia Commons)

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In DX, word that six operators from the U.S. and Canada will be active from Kiritimati Island between January 17th and February 2nd. The group will operate from the same location that the recent T32C expedition utilized. They also will take part in the 2012 CQ World Wide 160 meter CW Contest from January 27th to the 29th as T32XX. QSL via KB8TXZ.

AH0AJ will beactive as KG4AJ from Guantanamo Bay for the next two years. QSL only via his home callsign.

Members of the Pacific DXers will be on the air from Tuvalu as T2T through December 8th. Activity is on 160 through 6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. Logbook of the World and eQSL will be uploaded within 12 months after the operation is completed. QSL via VK4FW direct or via the bureau.

Lastly, CX3AN and CX4CR will be active on the air as 8Q7HU from Maafushi Island in the Maldives between January 25th and February 5th. Their operations will be on 80 through 6 meters using CW, SSB and several digital modes with a special emphasis on contacting South America. QSL this one as directed on the air.

Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: SCIENTISTS REJECT OTHER SCIENTISTS ON NEUTRINO FASTER THAN LIGHT

A Follow-up to last weeks story about a group of researchers at CERN who say that they have shown particles that can exceed the speed of light. An international team of scientists in Italy studying the same neutrino particles has now rejected the findings and saying their tests had shown it to be wrong. Here's Amateur Radio Newsline's Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, with the latest on this scientific controversary:

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As reported last week, the September announcement of particles exceeding the speed of light along with the recent finding after new studies backed up the original claim has caused a firestorm of sorts in the scientific world. This was because it seems to suggest Albert Einstein's ideas on relativity, and much of modern physics, are based on a mistaken premise.

The first team, members of the OPERA experiment at the Gran Sasso laboratory south of Rome, said they recorded neutrinos beamed to them from the CERN research center in Switzerland as arriving 60 nanoseconds before light would have done. But ICARUS, another experiment at Gran Sasso argues that their measurements of the neutrinos energy on arrival contradict that reading.

In a paper posted on the same website as the OPERA results, the ICARUS team says their findings refute a faster than light interpretation of the OPERA result. They argue, on the basis of recently published studies by two top U.S. physicists, that the neutrinos pumped down from CERN, near Geneva, should have lost most of their energy if they had travelled at even a tiny fraction faster than light.

But in fact, the ICARUS scientists say, the neutrino beam as tested in their equipment registered an energy spectrum fully corresponding with what it should be for particles traveling at the speed of light and no more. Physicist Tomasso Dorigo, who works at CERN, the European Organization for Nuclear Research, and the U.S. Fermilab near Chicago, said in a post on the website Scientific Blogging that the ICARUS paper was very simple and definitive.

Under Einstein's 1905 Special Theory of Relativity, nothing can travel faster than light. That idea lies at the heart of all current science of the cosmos and of how the vast variety of particles that make it up behave. There was widespread skepticism when the OPERA findings were first revealed, and even the leaders of the experiment insisted that they were not announcing a discovery but simply recording measurements they had made and carefully checked.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, in Los Angeles.

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Other experiments are being prepared at Fermilab and at the KEK laboratory in Japan to try to duplicate OPERA's findings. Confirmation from one of these would open the way for a full scientific discovery to be declared. Failure to duplicate the OPERA team findings would likely put the matter to rest. At least for the time being. (Published news sources)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB, the Southgate News and Australia's WIA News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is newsline (at) arnewsline (dot) org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California, 91350

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Jim Damron, N8TMW, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 4th December 2011

The news headlines:

* RSGB Club of the Year competition reminder

* Experimental D-Star repeater

* 5MHz operation from Niue Island

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The Mid Cornwall Beacon and Repeater Group has obtained an NoV from Ofcom to operate an experimental D-Star repeater on the existing GB3HB repeater frequencies on 70cm. It will have the callsign GB7MC and operation will commence today, 4 December. The output frequency will be 433.375MHz and the input frequency will be 434.975MHz. The existing GB3HB voice repeater has now been closed down and removed for refurbishment and updating. The experimental D-Star repeater, GB7MC, will continue to operate during 2012 until the new GB3HB voice repeater is ready. For more information, or to send a report, go to the group's website at www.mcbarg.co.uk.

For 60m band enthusiasts there is news from Chris, GM3WOJ. He is now active as ZK2V on Niue Island in the Pacific and has obtained permission to operate on 5403.5kHz. This special permit is only valid from 1 to 7 December local time.

James Miller, G3RUH remotely reconfigured the tracking and receiving system at the AMSAT-DL amateur radio facility in Bochum, Germany to receive the NASA Mars Science Laboratory X-Band telemetry. The signal was received automatically, no-one had to be physically on-site. Read

the full story at www.uk.amsat.org.

A very interesting TV programme from 1979 can now be watched on the web. Called Wartime Radio: The Secret Listeners, the programme is illustrated with archival film and photographs as well as interviews with those involved. The documentary traces the evolution of civilian involvement in radio-based intelligence during both world wars. Take a look at www.eafa.org.uk/catalogue/5108.

Congratulations to G4DEZ, who was the highest placed UK station in the IARU Region 1 September 145MHz Contest single operator entry. He was placed 35th out of 1178 entries, with his best DX being OL3Y. The Parallel Lines Contest Group, G8P, was the highest placed UK multi-operator entry. They were placed 6th from 388 entries, with the best DX being OE1W. Congratulations to both entries. And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

The final rally of the year is due to take place today, 4 December. The Bishop Auckland Radio Amateurs Club Rally will be held in Spennymoor Leisure Centre, Co Durham DL16 6DB. Doors open at 10.30am and admission is £1.50, with accompanied under 14s free. There will be trade stands and a Bring & Buy. More details from Mark, G0GFG on 01388 747 497.

Saturday 17 December sees the 10th Waters and Stanton annual Christmas open day, which is sponsored by Yaesu UK Ltd. Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society, Essex CW Club, RSGB rep Mark Sanderson and staff from Yaesu will be in attendance.

Friskney & East Lincolnshire Communications Club Mid-Winter Tabletop Sale and Auction will take place on 3 January at the Friskney Village Hall, Church Road, Friskney, Lincolnshire PE22 8RR. The event includes the Special Event Station GB2YR. Doors open 7pm and entry is £1.50. Tables are 2 for 1 at £4 and there will be free tea & coffee. Details from Ian Donnelly, 2E0XOD, 07554 362 020.

Now for the news of special events We have no details of special events for the forthcoming week.

And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

Buddies in the Caribbean is a group of amateur radio operators who specialise in DXpeditions with low power and a Buddipole. They are visiting St Lucia again from 4 to 12 December. They plan to run three stations in CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK on 10 to 160m. They will use the callsign J68UN in the ARRL 10m Contest on 10 and 11 December. For details of the operators, Google Buddies in the Caribbean. QSLs via home callsign direct, Logbook of the World and eQSL.

Martin, G3ZAY, Michael, G7VJR, Harumi, JF1PJK, Joe, JA1LZR, and Yutaka, JQ2GYU, will be active as GJ6UW on SSB, CW and RTTY on all bands from Jersey, which is IOTA EU-013, from 2 to 7 December. If the conditions on 160m and 80m are good they want to listen especially for Asia and Japan. QSL via M0BLF either via the bureau, direct or via Logbook of

the World.

Volker, DL8WEM will be active as J79WE from Dominica, which is NA-101, until 8 December. He operates mainly CW on 10 to 40 metres. QSL via his home callsign.

Now the contest news

The ARRL 160m CW Contest runs until 1600UTC on Sunday afternoon, 4 December. For UK stations, the action takes place during the hours when North America and the UK are both in darkness, around 2200 to 0800UTC. Work American stations including KL7 and KH6 plus US overseas territories and Canadian stations only. For single-ops there are QRP, low power and high power categories. It's similar for multi-op stations, except that there's no QRP category. A vertical antenna or an inverted-L with a high vertical section and an efficient radial or earthing system are very much to be desired for this one. The exchange is signal report and American and Canadian stations also send their ARRL or RAC section number.

Today, Sunday, 4 December, the 144MHz AFS takes place. This will be the third in this season's Super League competition. From 0900 to 1700UTC, using all modes, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator. On Tuesday 6 December the 144MHz UK Activity Contest takes place from 2000 to 2230UTC. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The next Amateur Television Repeater Contest takes place from 1200UTC on Saturday 10 December until 1200UTC on Sunday 11 December using all amateur TV repeaters. Stations are encouraged to participate, or just look for increased amateur TV activity on their local TV repeater. Talkback is most likely to be found on 144.75MHz FM. Details of how to enter the contest can be found on the BATC website, www.batc.org.uk; entrants do not need to be BATC members.

And now the solar factual data for the period from the 21st to the 27th of November, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on the 28th of November.

The solar disc had numerous sunspot groups visible every day. Most were small and quiet but several were large enough to produce small C class solar flares, 39 in total for the period. The occasional solar flare produced small coronal mass ejections. On the 26th a long duration C1 solar flare and an associated eruptive filament produced a large coronal mass ejection. Solar flux levels declined from 142 units on the 22nd to 133 by the 26th, the average was 138. The 90 day solar flux average on the 27th was 141, that's three units up on last week. X-ray flux units declined from B5.1 units on the 21st to B3.9 by the 26th. The average was B4.4 units. Geomagnetic activity was quiet every day with the highest daily figure of Ap 6 units on the 22nd and the 27th. The average was Ap 5 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds vary between a slow 240 kilometres per second to a normal 470 kilometres per second. Particle densities were low

throughout. Bz never varied more than minus and plus 9 nanoTeslas for the period.

And finally the solar forecast. This week the active side of the Sun is expected to be rotating out of view. Solar activity should be low every day with the chance of increasing on the occasional day. Solar flux levels should decline and be around the 150's by next weekend. Providing no coronal mass ejections head our way geomagnetic activity should be at quiet levels all week. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes are expected to be well over 30MHz for the whole of the UK. Darkness hour lows should be around 10MHz every day just before local sunrise. Paths this week to Australia should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 32MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 25MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 0800 and 1300 hours. Overall, the long path will be several megahertz down and a couple of hours later than the short path.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your

transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS First, some advance information. Friskney & East Lincolnshire Communications Club will be running Foundation and Intermediate courses in February and March 2012. For further details contact Ant Freeman, M0HAZ, on 07956 654 481.

On Monday 5 December Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is operating on HF or VHF. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Monday 5 December South Birmingham Radio Society is on the air and making plans for the Christmas party. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Monday 5 December Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society is starting its 2m club net on 145.275MHz FM and then QSYing to 4m. For more information contact Peter D Rivers, G4XEX, on 01858 432 105.

On Monday 5 December Wythall Radio Club is holding an Advanced exam. Details from Colin, M0GJM, on 07598 540 507.

Leicester DX Club has changed its meeting to Tuesdays at 7.30pm. Meetings currently take place at the Winstanley Arms, Braunstone LE3 2WB, but a new venue will be announced after Christmas. Details from

Ellen, M0HEL on 07902 626 920.

On Tuesday 6 December Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a junk sale. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 6 December Forest of Dean Amateur Radio Group continues its Foundation training course. Details on 01594 549 110.

On Tuesday 6 December Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club is having its Christmas dinner. Contact Chris, M0MFP, on 01507 442 240.

On Tuesday 6 December Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is having a video evening. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Wednesday 7 December Lincoln Short-Wave Club is putting G5FZ on the air and having a natter night. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Wednesday 7 December Midland Amateur Radio Society is holding an open meeting with the shack on the air and running training classes. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003. On Wednesday 7 December Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting at Stafford Park. HQ is closed. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday 8 December South Birmingham Radio Society is having training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Friday 9 December Bromsgrove & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its Christmas dinner. Contact Chris, M0BQE on 01905 776 869.

On Friday 9 December Coventry Amateur Radio Society is having an introduction to Projection 2012. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

On Friday 9 December South Birmingham Radio Society is having a construction evening. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Friday 9 December Wythall Radio Club is holding its Christmas party. Details from Colin, M0GJM, on 07598 540 507.

On Saturday 10 December Lincoln Short-Wave Club is in the shack and holding its Saturday surgery. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Saturday 10 December Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society is holding its Christmas dinner. For more information contact Peter D Rivers, G4XEX, on 01858 432 105.

Next week, on Wednesday 14 December, Lincoln Short Wave Club will be holding a teleconference workshop with Bob Heil, K9EID. Using a 2-way Skype video and audio link, there will be a facility to interact with Bob, who is not only a microphone maker for amateur radio but also for

many top musicians including Stevie Wonder and Joe Walsh. There will be a £1 admission charge, which will include tea, coffee and biscuits. More information from Steve Burke, by email to activitiesofficer@G5FZ.co.uk.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND On Monday 5 December Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is holding an Advanced examination. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Monday 5 December Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on amateur radio in Spain by Nevil Brinnen, G3VDV. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 5 December Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. More information from J Duddington, G4BFH, on 01253 853 554.

On Tuesday 6 December Chester & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. Contact Bruce Sutherland, M0CVP, on 01244 343825.

On Tuesday 6 December Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is holding Foundation and Intermediate training courses including an on the air session and discussion about 2m collinear aerials. Details from Anthony Vinters, G0WFG, on 01422 822636.

On Wednesday 7 December Denby Dale Radio Club is having a talk on transistor characteristic curves by Ian G4LUG. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220 126. On Thursday 8 December Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on RAYNET. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 07876 085 631.

On Thursday 8 December South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having a talk about 42 years ago by Ron, G3SVW. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Friday 9 December East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is holding a technical forum. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Saturday 10 December Denby Dale Radio Club is visiting LAM Communications. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220 126.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club will be holding an Intermediate course over 12 weeks, starting Wednesday 11 January 2012. Foundation licensees wishing to advance to the next step should register for the course by Monday 12 December. To register go to www.muarc.com/courseapplicationform.htm and complete the form. More information can be gained by contacting the exam secretary Martin, MI0YMF, on 02838 852 712.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday 6 December Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club evening. Details from Norman, on 07740 946 192.

On Wednesday 7 December Ayr Amateur Radio Group is having a talk on ILLW in Western Scotland. Details from Tom Ferguson, GM1OST, on 01292 532 088.

On Thursday 8 December Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is on the air. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663.

On Friday 9 December Borders Amateur Radio Society is having a demonstration and talk on PSK and slow scan TV by Landles Fairbairn, GM4XZZ. Details from MM0YLG on 07944 912 751.

On Saturday 10 December Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club is holding its Christmas night. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA On Sunday 4 December Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its breakfast meeting at the Goring Cafe. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816 684.

On Monday 5 December Braintree & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club social. For more information contact John, M5AJB, on 01787 460 947.

On Monday 5 December Burnham Beeches Radio Club is holding its Christmas event. Contact Dave, G4XDU, on 01628 625 720. On Monday 5 December East Kent Radio Society is having an HF operating evening with Paul, M3PSE. Details from Karl Davies, M1DFM, on 01227 710 120.

On Monday 5 December Surrey Radio Contact Club is having a talk on the GSM mobile phone network infrastructure by David Smith, M0SXD. Contact John, G3MCX, on 02086 883 322.

On Tuesday 6 December Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Tuesday 6 December Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is holding a club meeting. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Wednesday 7 December Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a general meeting. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday 7 December Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is having an informal, construction and shack evening. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Wednesday 7 December Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on Hollywood science by Jonathan Hare, G1EXG. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816 684.

On Thursday 8 December Bittern DX Group is having an informal meeting at Pinewood Park Leisure Club. Details from Linda, G0AJJ, on 01692 404 154.

On Thursday 8 December Echelford Amateur Radio Society is holding its Christmas party. Contact John, G4GSC, on 01784 451 898.

On Thursday 8 December Edgware & District Radio Society is having a junk sale. More information from Mike, G4RNW, on 02089 500 658.

On Thursday 8 December Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is running its construction competition. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564 242.

On Thursday 8 December Reading & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its AGM followed by a cheese and wine evening. Details from Pete, G8FRC, on 01189 695 697.

On Thursday 8 December Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a mince pie Evening. Contact John Burnett, M6JBV, on 07860 804 793.

On Friday 9 December Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on nanowave communications and the new red LED beacon by Jenny Bailey and Bernie Wright. Contact Ron, G3KBR, on 01223 501 712.

On Friday 9 December Itchen Valley Amateur Radio Club is holding its Christmas social and quiz. Details from Liz, M0ACL, on 02380 254 599.

On Friday 9 December Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is holding its Christmas dinner. Contact Peter, G4AKG, on 01444 239 371.

On Friday 9 December Wimbledon & District Amateur Radio Society is having its Christmas social. Contact Andrew Maish, G4ADM, on 02083 353 434.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST On Wednesday 7 December Taunton & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the SteppIR antenna by Kelvin, M0AID and Rob, G0WSC. More information from Peter Robinson, G0EYR, on 07811 635 819.

On Wednesday 7 December Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by Rex, G4RAE on how he got into amateur radio. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Wednesday 7 December Trowbridge & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its Christmas social & presentation night. Details from Ian, G0GRI, on 01225 864 698, evenings and weekends.

On Thursday 8 December South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on social networking. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

On Thursday 8 December Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its Christmas dinner. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Thursday 8 December Yeovil Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on logging by M0WOB & M6AIG. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk.

On Friday 9 December North Bristol Amateur Radio Club is holding its Christmas party. More information from Dick on 01454 218 362.

On Friday 9 December Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having an operating night. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES On Monday 5 December Dragon Amateur Radio Club is visiting Waters and Stanton. More information from Stewart Rolfe, GW0ETF, on 07833 620 733.

On Tuesday 6 December Wrexham Amateur Radio Society is closed. Details from Carl Morris, MW0TBB, by email to tydraig@wrexham-ars.co.uk.

On Thursday 8 December Aberystwyth & District Amateur Radio Society is having Morse and mince pies with Dyson, GW3DRV. Details from Ray, GW7AGG, on 01970 611 853.

On Friday 9 December Newport Amateur Radio Society is having a hands on evening, getting the FR50B going. More information from Ross Clare, GW3NWS, on 01633 880 146.

1146. F.A. TO ALL YOU LAFAYETTE FANS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-03 05:48:25 UTC
From: Steve <kenwood1701@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <4ed9b81e$0$2012$607ed4bc@cv.net>
Source record: 3886

I'm posting this for a buddy of mine who can't get newsgroups on his system..

This is an OLD mint portable battery pack, model number HB-506. This is for the HB-525 / 625 radios of the late 1960s.

http://www.ebay.com/itm/130609760136

go to ebay and copy and paste the item number if the link does not work

130609760136

1147. SARL News in English 3/12/2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-03 18:52:50 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <5138C1247C6241299D98F719CB8AFC79@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 3887
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 04 DECEMBER 2011

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. PLEASE NOTE: for audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 and 3,695 MHz SSB.

SILENT KEYS

News received late yesterday afternoon is that the key of Bert Howes, ZS6HS, stopped operating in the age of 96 years in 1 Military Hospital in Pretoria on 3 December. Unfortunately no more details are available at the time of uploading this bulletin. Our sincere condolences to his near and far relatives and friends.

It is with deep regret that the Boland Amateur Radio Club must announce that the key of Frans Byleveld, ZS1RF, became silent on 30th August 2011 in the age of 81 years. Frans was a founding member of The Boland branch of the SARL in 1948 and later an honorary member of the Club. Our sincere condolences go to his XYL Leonie, children, other relatives and friends.

(PAUSE)

In the news today:

THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS

RADIO AMATEURS LISTEN TO MARS SCIENCE LABORATORY SIGNAL

GET A 2012 ARRL HARDCOVER HANDBOOK OR ARRL ANTENNA BOOK THIS CHRISTMAS

AO-51 GOES QRT

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting items.

THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS

Just in time for the Christmas season, Gary Pearce, KN4AQ, has created a video version of Clement Clark Moore's poem A Visit from St Nicholas -- more commonly known as The Night Before Christmas -- but Pearce's version has a decidedly Amateur Radio twist. With a guitar accompaniment by Don Mercz, WA3AYR, A Ham's Night Before Christmas features QST magazine covers, Gil cartoons and Christmas-themed QST advertisements from days gone by. You can listen to it or download it from the Amateur Radio TODAY link on www.sarl.org.za.

RADIO AMATEURS LISTEN TO MARS SCIENCE LABORATORY SIGNAL

As NASA's Mars Science Laboratory was streaking away from Earth just seven hours after its November 26 launch, amateurs using the AMSAT-DL facility in Bochum, Germany eavesdropped on its 10 GHz telemetry signals. At 21:45 UTC, the spacecraft was about 115 000 km from Earth, heading for a rendezvous on the red planet in August 2012. James Miller, G3RUH, remotely reconfigured the Bochum tracking and receiving system, aiming the 20 metre parabolic dish antenna toward the Mars Science Laboratory. According to Miller, the signal had a spin-modulation of +-3,5 Hz at two revolutions per minute. The dish at Bochum is also used by AMSAT-DL to automatically receive real-time solar data from the NASA STEREO A/B satellites. The data is transmitted to a NOAA server in the US via the Internet.

GET A 2012 ARRL HARDCOVER HANDBOOK OR ARRL ANTENNA BOOK THIS CHRISTMAS

The SA Amateur Radio Development Trust has both the hardcover versions of the ARRL 2012 Handbook and the new edition of the ARRL Antenna Book in stock. To order visit www.amateurradio.org.za/books.htm. Orders will be dispatched by parcel post starting 9 December. Order now to get the books delivered before Christmas. The SAARDT website also gives a description of the content of the two new books.

AO-51 GOES QRT

The AO-51 amateur radio satellite has gone QRT. AMSAT-North America Vice President of Operations, Drew Glasbrenner, KO4MA, says that the bird has ceased transmission and is not responding to any commands from the ground.

Glasbrenner's announcement came on Tuesday 29 November. In making public word of the demise of AO-51, KO4MA, noted that the last telemetry data received had indicated that the third of six batteries that power AO-51 was approaching a short circuit condition. Also that further observation indicated the voltage from three remaining cells was insufficient to power the UHF transmitters. Initial tests with the S-band transmitter were also not positive, although more attempts are expected.

Glasbrenner says that the control team tried leaving the satellite in a configuration where if voltages climb high enough, the 435,150 transmitter may possibly be heard. He says that the command team will regularly attempt communications with the satellite over the coming months noting that there is always the possibility that a cell will

open from its short circuited state and make AO-51 useful once again.

The AO-51 amateur radio satellite was in orbit and served the world-wide amateur radio community for the better part of 7 years.

TAKE VHF ON HOLIDAY WITH YOU

Now that the holiday season is starting and many are planning to leave for the coast, it may be a good idea to take a low power VHF transceiver along including a small Yagi antenna for 144 MHz and enjoy the Tropo propagation. You will experience many strong Tropo openings during hot humid days and also about an hour after sunset at night when distances up to 400 km or even longer could be covered on SSB and FM.

If your transceiver is also equipped for 50 MHz, then take a small two or three element Yagi with you, as unexpected Sporadic-E openings in the December and January months can provide strong country-wide contacts during the mornings and/or afternoons even on low power.

Just imagine sitting around a braai fire at night with a beer in one hand and a microphone in the other making unusual contacts. Enjoy your holiday with VHF RF!

CLUB NEWS

At the AGM of the Southern African Antique Wireless Association held on the 12th November 2011, Richard, ZS6TF, was elected as President for 2012. The rest of the committee remains as is for the year ie, Rad, ZS6RAD, - Technical Advisor; John, ZS1WJ - Western Cape; Andy, ZS6ADY - PRO and Newsletter Editor.

The committee would like to thank Don, ZS5DR, outgoing President, for his contribution to the AWA over the past 2 years.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is declining further with only a few C-class flares produced during the week. Sunspot 1 363 appears to be growing and the potential for an isolated M-class flare remains. The sun's surface is still peppered with smaller sunspots promising exciting HF conditions.

For the people doing their own frequency predictions the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 88.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with the higher bands typically opening first and the lower bands opening later during the day. 6 m is also waking up with some very nice TEP openings.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

31 January 2012 - Last day for submission of nominations for Council members and also for submission of motions for the 2012 SARL AGM. 31

January 2012 - Closing date for submitting papers for SA AMSAT Space Symposium. Also: Submit nominations for SARL awards which will be presented at the gala dinner which will take place over the weekend of the 2012 SARL AGM.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 16:30 UTC on 4 895 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by George, Z6SNE.

Thank you for listening, 73. /EX

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1148. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1039

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-04 01:00:26 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <903972.41823.bm@smtp105.sbc.mail.bf1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 3888
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Bulletin No. 1039
BID: $OPDX.1039
December 5, 2011 (from Murfreesboro, Tennessee)
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, ARRL Letter, K1XN & GoList, NC1L, NJ1Q & ARRL DX, K2PF, NG3K & ADXO, W3UR & The Daily DX, K4UEE, N4AA & QRZ DX, KH6BZF, KM6HB, N6GQ, WB6RSE, K8GI, K8YSE, KE8G, W8GEX (60m News), W9ILY, N0VD, WA0ROI, AT International, CE3FZL, DK8JB & The DX News Letter, DL1SBF, DxCoffee.com, DX-World.Net, ES1CW, F5NQL, F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX, GM0DEQ, I1JQJ/IK1ADH & 425 DX News, JI5RPT, OZ6OM & 50 MHz DX News, Pete's-DX-Newsdesk, PS7AB, PT7WA, RSGB IOTA Web Site, UT7UT, VA3RJ & ICPO, VHF-DX-Portal (MMMonVHF), XV4Y and ZL3IO for the following DX information.

** EDITOR'S SPECIAL NOTICE: The bulletin was sent out (remotely) a day early this week because your editor is on the road heading back home to Ohio from Murfreesboro, Tennessee.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 27th-November, through Sunday, 4th-December there were 239 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, CY0, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/n, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FS, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, R1FJ, S0, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T2, T32, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VP2E, VP2M, VP2V, VP5, VP6, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZK2, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work

First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3D2/R, ROTUMA. Antoine, 3D2AG, will be on a Christmas holiday with his family and plans to do small "green" radio operation as 3D2AG/p from Rotuma (OC-060) between December 9th and January 9th, 2012. It is reported that this will be a "small ecological barefoot activity on all bands (80-6m) except 160m, sponsored by the French company 'TOTAL' within the framework of the sustainable development of the insular communities of the Pacific (supply of the batteries, the 3 solar panels of 50 watts and QSLs)". His station will be 100w, using all modes (SSB/CW) with an ICOM 706, FT-757GX and Kenwood TS-440S, into a Spiderbeam 5 band antenna, a 5 element yagi for the 6m and doublets for the 40/60/80 meters. This station will be fed only by batteries and solar panels. A special QSL will be printed on recycled paper to confirm the contacts. QSL via his home callsign, direct only (QRZ.com address).

A3, TONGA (Family Holiday). NODXA/OPDX's good friends Holger/ZL3IO (DL7IO), Birgit/ZL3IQ (DL7IQ) and daughters Sassi/ZL2GQ and little Xenia will be going for a week long family holiday to Tonga in late January 2012. This is not a planned DXpedition, but they will have a K3 and a vertical antenna. Holger tells OPDX readers to look for A31IO (Holger), A31YL (Birgit) and A31GQ (Sassi). However, he states that he can't promise too much activity, but their licenses are valid for 1 year, and Tonga is only a 3 hr. flight for them. This might be a preplude for a more serious activity. QSL via their home callsign (see QRZ.com).

CE, CHILE. H&#65533;ctor, CE3FZL, from the capital of Santiago, plans to be active on SSB during the ARRL DX Contest, December 9-10th. QSL to his home callsign (see more information in QRZ.com).

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports that the following operation is approved for DXCC credit:
5X1VJ &#65533; Uganda; 2011 Operation
Special thanks to John Sharp, K2SHA, for his help in acquiring this supporting documentation!

E4, PALESTINE (Update). Peri, HB9IQB, who has been granted a license by the Ministry of Telecommunications & Technology in Ramallah and plans to be active as E44PM, is expected to be operational at 0001z, December 16th, or possibly a few hours before that. Operations will last for 7 days. He announced this past week, "Taking into consideration the many E-mails from SSB Ops, I will try to spend not less than 20% of the time in that mode. CW will be main mode." For more details and updates, visit the following Web page at: http://www.hb9iqb.ch/palestine.html

EM20/EN20/EO20, UKRAINE (Special Event). Members of the Ukrainian Amateur Radio League (UARL) are celebrating their 20th anniversary using the following special prefixes between December 1-30th. The current list of the callsigns are (as known) as follows:
EM20C via UX5PC EN20UARL via UT5UIA EO20K via UR4KWA
EM20LTD via UR3LTD EN20UO via UX5UO EO20M via UX7MA
EM20L via US0LW EN20UP via UT4UP EO20UD via UR7UD

EM20UARL via UT7UT EN20UZ via UR5UZ EO20UM via UT0UM
EM20UJ via UR5UJ EN20W via UR5WA EO20UR via UT7UR
EM20UKR via UR7UC EO20IGN via US7IGN EO20X via UT5XA
EM20UU via US7UU EO20IM via UW5IM EO20?? via UT2HC
EM20V via UR2VA EO20IO via UX3IO E?20UU via UT7UU
EN20C via UX7CQ EO20IZ via UX5IZ EO20ZZ via US0ZZ

ET3, ETHIOPIA (Update/Reminder). Operators Krassy/K1LZ, David/K3LP, Al/K3VN, Bill/N2WB and Paul/N6PSE will be active from Addis Ababa between December 8-13th. Activity will be from the ET3AA club station. The goals of their trip are to install antennas at the Addis Ababa University, administer VE Ham Radio Examinations and the creation of the "University of Addis Ababa - Technology Incubation Program (TIP)". For the complete details, see: http://www.k3lp.com/et3aa_december_2011.htm
The ET3AA DXpedition team's operating goals from the club station are as follows: Krassy/K1LZ will operate as ET3AA on 80/40 meters, and David/K3LP will operate as ET3AA on 160/30 meters, during the evening to early morning hours (local time 7:00 PM to 7:00 AM). Operators Al/K3VN, Paul/N6PSE and Bill/N2WB will operate during the day and early morning hours on all the other bands using SSB using the ET3SID callsign (from Sid's QTH) and ET3AA from the university's club station. QSL Manager for ET3AA and ET3SID for this trip "ONLY" is Bob, N2OO. PLEASE NOTE (Caution): "Please do not merge other QSOs you've made with ET3SID and ET3AA into same envelope not related to this trip. Bob will only have the logs for the ET3AA and ET3SID for the days between December 8-13th, 2011. Thank you!"

FS, ST. MARTIN. Tom, DL2RUM, will be active as FS/DL2RUM from St. Martin (NA-105) between now and December 11th.. activity will be on CW, SSB and RTTY, using 600 watts. For QSL route, please use the information on the following link because he is moving:
http://dl2rum.de/dl2rum/DL2RUM_Home.html

GB2, SCOTLAND (Special Event). The Scot's, Crocodile Rock Amateur Group (CRAG) will be operating the special event callsign GB2PG on December 3-4th and December 10-11th, from Ardrossan, Scotland. This event is to commemorate the 90th anniversary of the first shortwave transatlantic radio signals being received in Ardrossan by the American Paul Godley in December 1921. The station will be active mostly on 80&#65533;10 meters SSB with some CW. Operators will be Bob/GM0DEQ, Robbie/GM0SEI and Dave/GM6HGF. QSL QTHR via Bureau or GM0DEQ. For live blog updates, please visit <http://gb2pg.blogspot.com/> and share the experience.

HK0NA, MALPELO ISLAND (Press Release #4): "FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE - Malpelo DXpedition 2012 (Nov. 28, 2011) -- Contact: bob@k4uee.com
EDITORS: E-mail K4UEE to request high res. pictures!

Recently three U.S. members (K4UEE, N4GRN and W6IZT) of the Malpelo 2012 DXpedition flew to Cartagena, Colombia, and met with six of their Colombian counterparts. The purpose of the two day meeting was to make some critical decisions about the upcoming DXpedition to Malpelo Island. Also, checklists and inventories were finalized and all team members' responsibilities were assigned.

Since it is highly unlikely that the various Colombian authorities will permit another DXpedition to Malpelo anytime soon, a decision was made to extend the DXpedition to 16-17 days from the previous 12-14 day plan. The approximate dates of operations will be January 21, 2012 through February 5-6th, 2012.
Four team members will travel with all equipment, radios, antennas and infrastructure to Malpelo in early January. They will be transported by the Colombian Navy. They will arrive about two weeks prior to the rest of the Team and will set up camp, the two operating sites, radios and antennas. They will spend about 30 days on the island. This will allow the rest of the team to begin radio operations immediately upon arrival by chartered vessel.
As mentioned there will be two operating sites, each with a complete complement of antennas and radios with amplifiers. The first operating site will be co-located with the Colombian marine's camp on the east side of the island. It is clear to East Coast USA, EU and Africa. In order to have a clear shot at JA/Asia, the Pacific region and W6/W7, the second operating site will be located near the top of the highest mountain peak on the island. However, to lessen the physical risks to the team members, the operating site will be located on platforms situated below the actual peak. Still, it will be a 45 minute uphill climb to reach the platforms. The antennas for that site will be on the top of the mountain peak. At times there will be as many as nine stations QRV with the capability of dual mode operations on all bands.
Safety of the team is paramount. We will be installing a winch system to hoist team members and all of our equipment from our chartered ship's Zodiac onto the island. From there, manpower will carry the equipment the 300 meters straight uphill to the marine camp. The trail to the elevated operating site is extremely dangerous. We will utilize harnesses and safety ropes to minimize the risks. This is going to be a difficult and expensive DXpedition. Every effort will be made to maximize QSOs while protecting the safety of the team members. It is a delicate balance.
Your financial support is necessary and gratefully accepted. Contributions can be made via our website at: http://www.hk0na.com/sponsors
We plan periodic press releases with information of interest. Also, watch the website for breaking news.
Thanks,
Jorge Prieto, HK1R - DXpedition leader
Co-leaders: Bob Allphin, K4UEE
Gregg Marco, W6IZT "

IOTA NEWS.....
SA-071. A QRP DXpedition, by the Cantareira DX Group, was expected to be on the air as ZV2LOW from Montao de Trigo Island this past weekend (December 3-4th). This is not an IOTA expedition, but an operation by a group of QRP enthusiasts. Activity was to be on the QRP frequencies:
CW - 14060, 18096, 21060, 24906 and 28060 kHz
SSB - 14285, 18130, 21385, 24950 and 28360 kHz
PLEASE DO NOT QSL. QSL cards will be automatically sent via

the Bureau. LAST MINUTE UPDATE: Due to bad weather, the ZV2LOW
operation was canceled. The station will be active from elsewhere
and of course will not count for SA-071.

ISWL ACTIVITIES. The ISWL's 65th anniversary celebrations are now in
their final month. The "GB65ISWL" callsign will be active throughout
the month from various locations. Also, the "PG65ISWL" callsign will
be activated by Fred, PA0FAW, between December 1-28th. Activity will
be mainly CW, PSK and with some SSB possible from FF-PA-005. QSL via
direct (see QRZ.com), by the Bureau, including eQSL.cc and SWL reports
are very welcome. PLEASE NOTE: LoTW will not be used. The following
two club callsigns will also be used throughout the month:
GX4BJC/A - Operated from Walton on the Naze, in Essex, by Herbie,
G6XOU. (ISWL Council Member & QSL Bureau Manager).
(WAB Square ◆M22 - England & IOTA ◆U-005).

MX1SWL/A - Operated from Great Sutton, in Cheshire,
(/A WAB Square ◆J37 - England & IOTA ◆U-005).

MX1SWL/P - Operated from other English locations, by Geof, M0BAU.
(/P WAB Squares can be requested during the QSO. IOTA
is EU-005).

More information is available at: http://www.iswl.org.uk or QRZ.com

JD1, OGASAWARA. Makoto, JI5RPT, will once again be active as JD1BLY from
Chichijima Island (AS-031), Ogasawara, between December 24th and January
2nd, 2012. Activity will be on 80-6 meters, including the satellites,
using CW, SSB and the Digital modes (NO 6m EME). QSL via his home callsign
JI5RPT. His log search will be available on his Web site at:
http://www.ji5rpt.com/jd1
He will also use Twitter to inform his real-time activities at:
http://twitter.com/jd1bly

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (December 5-11th)....
Dec/05th AN Dec/08th AN-HN Dec/10th HN
Dec/06th AN Dec/09th HN Dec/11th HN-AN
Dec/07th AN

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AN - Above Normal Quiet K◆1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K◆ 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K◆ 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K◆ 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K◆ 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K◆9 100-400

KH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Operators Buchi/JO3FRH and Masa/JE4SMQ will be
active as KH0UY and KH0K, respectively, from Saipan (OC-086, USI NI002S,

WLOTA 1333), Northern Mariana Islands between January 7-10th, 2012. Activity will be on 80-6 meters, plus the satellites. QSL via their home callsigns, direct or by the Bureau.

LOTW (LoTW Processing Update). The ARRL Letter reports: "Logbook of The World (LoTW) is continuing to accept and process logs, including logs from this past weekend's CQ World Wide CW Contest. Before the contest, LoTW had just about caught up with the backlog, but due to the high number of logs submitted after the contest, it is once again seeing delays. As of December 1st, the processing delay is at 22 hours -- down from 45 hours last week -- with approximately 830,000 QSOs in 2500 logs still waiting to be processed. If it has been more than 48 hours since you uploaded a log to LoTW and your log has not yet been processed, please upload it again. Remember: Do not send entire logs that contain previously uploaded QSOs -- use the date range option when signing logs, selecting only those QSOs in a specific date range to upload to LoTW. Thanks again for your patience."

MOBILE WEB-CLUSTER. Kelly, N0VD, reports: "For what it's worth, I have been playing with 'mobile spots' over the past few years. I originally wrote a native Blackberry app a couple of years ago that could interface with the DX cluster, but never released it to the public. Over the past few months I've had the motivation to develop a mobile enhanced DX web cluster in order to broaden the accessibility to a wider variety of mobile devices. While it is still in Beta and currently being developed, it can be accessed at <http://m.dx2go.com>. If you have a smart phone from the last couple of years, you should be able to get full use of the site.
While I believe the mobile web cluster to be stable, there are sure to be bugs that I have not found.
Development will also continue on the Blackberry app as well as a new Android app to hopefully be released in the near future. A fully functional desktop website is also in development and I hope to release it to the public soon. When that happens, I will likely retire the old DX Central website as it has been in auto-pilot for years and sorely out of date.
Anyway, it's been interesting (or frustrating) trying to develop something compatible with a wide range of devices. Hopefully it will be something of value to a larger audience at least I can check to see if 160M is open and not have to get out of bed!"

NP2/WP2, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS. Chuck, WA0ROI, will be active as WP2/WA0ROI from St. Croix between December 7-13th. Activity will include an entry in the ARRL 10M Contest (December 10-11th), signing as NP2N. QSL via WA0ROI, by the Bureau or direct, or LOTW to WP2/WA0ROI.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated December 3rd)

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4J85W via DL6KVA FM/KL7WA via UT5UGR PW2D via M0OXO

4K85K via 4K4K FR/F6CAM via F6CAM PY2LSM via 6K5YPD
4L1HD via DL8KAC FR5DZ via F6CXV R115GV via RU3XP
4X2M via 4X6YN FY5KE via FY1FL R1941MB via R2DX
9M6/JA4DPL via JA4DPL GB65ISWL via G6XOU RT4F via RK4FWX
A71EM via EA7FTR GJ6UW via M0BLF SO4M via SP4MPG
CS2C via OK1RF HB60LU via HB9DWL ST2UOK via EA7FTR
CS4ODX via CU3HY IO5O via IK5RLP SV8GKE via SV3DCX
CT8/W1NN via W1NN IR2R via IZ2EWR T88CR via JA8CCL
DA35HEB via DL4NWM IS0/K7QB via IN3QBR TL8ES via IK3GES
DL/N2WB via N2OO J6/W0MU via W0MU TM4Q via F6FYA
E70YL via E77E J68HZ via K9HZ TM4TLT via F4KIP
EA8OM via DJ1OJ JW7XM via LA7XM TM6M via F4DXW
ED7FCD via EA7URS LU/DL3KZA via DL3KZA UE70MB via RD3FI
EG0FCD via EA7URS LZ1363PTT via LZ1KZA UP20BEW via UN7BEW
EG2ISC via EA2VE OH8X via OH2UA UP20B via UN7BWA
EH5DC via EA5KB OH9TT via OH8MSM UP20GW via UN9GW
EM0RSE via UZ9RR OL3Z via OK1HMP UP20IT via UN7IT
EM20UARL via UT7UT OM3RRC via OM3CLS UP20KAZ via UN7ECA
EM20UU via US7UU OM7M via OM3PA UP20LU via UN9LU
EN20UARL via UT5UIA OR2A via ON1CB UP20NR via UN7NR
EO20HC via UT2HC OX3LX via OZ1PIF UP20N via UN7NFD
EO20IGN via US7IGN PI4DX via PD1DX UV0I via UR5IFX
ES5/YL2GQT via YL2GQT PI9SRS via PD9RAY VX3NOO via VE3NOO
ES9C via ES5RY PJ2/PA0VDV via PA0VDV W2/CT1GIF via
W2-Bureau
EW6AF via DL8KAC PJ2/WI9WI via WI9WI XF1M via XE2HUQ

Fred, IK7JWX, informs that all th direct QSLs for the recent GDXF & SDXF operations from Herne Isand (AF-068) and Park of Dakhla (CNFF-007) have been sent out.

QSL MANAGER CHANGE. Buzz, NI5DX, reports that he has assumed the duties of QSL Manager for Abdulla, A71CV, whose previous manager (A71AN) is now a SK. Abdulla will soon send Buzz his logs and the two will work on the design of a new QSL card. Once the design is complete it will be sent to UX5UO for printing. This process could take as long as 6-8 weeks, so no cards should be expected from NI5DX until the cards are received from the printer.

QSL MANAGER CHANGE. Dick, W0RAA, originally reported that N1NK would handle the QSL Manager duties for J6/W0MU and the contest callsign of J6M which was used in the CQWW CW Contest this past weekend. That has changed and all QSL requests should go to Mike, W0MU, at his QRZ.COM address.

QSL MANAGER CHANGE. Ralph, K2PF, reports that effective immediately, he is taking over QSL responsibilities from AA7V for VP2V/N3DXX. QSL direct only.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 3DA0HC, CE2/VE7SV, CO8TW, D60VB, DP6T, FY5KE, G3NKC, HC2A, HK1N, IK7JWY, KH6LC, KH7X, KL8DX, NP2KW, OD5PY, PJ2T, PW7T, RG9A, SM2EKM, SQ5M, ST2AR, UN6P, VA7ST, VE6BBP, VE7AX, VK9CW,

VK9CX, WL7E, XU7ACQ, YL2PP, YB1ALL and ZD8ZZ

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3A2LF, 3D2AD, 4U1ITU, 4W6A, 5R8NL, 5W1A, 5W8A, 8Q7EJ, 8R1EA, 9A2YM, 9Q50ON, A52PP, A71CT, AH0J, C31CT, DL2JRM/P, E51CG, EK6LP, EK6TA, ES5QD, FG4NN, FM5BH, FP/G3ZAY, GD4IHC, GM0GAV, GW3LEW, JA5AUC, JY6ZZ, LX8RTTY, M0TIX, MM0RAI/p, OD5NJ, PJ5/SP6IXF, RI1ANC, SV2ASP/A, TF3CW, TM5SM, UN8GV, V85TL, VK0KEV, VP2MSC, VP2MVX, VR2XMT and Z30U

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 5R8VB, 7P8VB, 7Q7VB, 8Q7DV, 9J2VB, 9U0VB, 9X0VB, DR1A, ER6A, HH2/OH2TA,SN3R, SN3X, TM89YON, TO5T, TX1B, V85/UA4WHX, YB41AR, YE8S, YE9FCCC, Z2/UA4WHX and Z23MS

V3, BELIZE. Guenter, DL2AYK, will be active as V31YK from Belize between February 27th and March 11th, 2012. Activity will be on 80-10 meters, possibly 6 meters, using CW, SSB, RTTY and possibly some PSK31. He also plans to be active in the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 3-4th) as a Single-Op entry. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

V6, MICRONESIA. Operators Chip/K7JA and his XYL Janet/KL7MF will be active as V63RR and V63QQ, respectively, from Pohnpei Island (OC-010) between December 5-2th. Activity will be strictly holiday style on 20-6 meters. QSL via K7JA.

VK, AUSTRALIA. Tino, VK3EGN, will be active in the CQ 160-Meter CW Contest (January 27-29th) as a Single-Op entry. He states that he will be using a 3 element vertical HW beam (kite lifted) antenna from Ocean Grove Beach. QSL via VK3EGN to the Bureau.

W6, UNITED STATES (Special Event). Mark, KM6HB, in conjunction with the Anaheim Police Radio Club (W6APD), will operate as W6W from December 8-11th. This special event will commemorate the 70th anniversary of the heroic Marine Corp stand at the battle for Wake Island in the early days of World War II. Please know that W6W will be operating form the Southern California area and does not count as KH9. A picture QSL card will be available. No certificate is being offered. Operating frequencies will be 80-10 meters in the general portions of the bands. More information is available at QRZ.com under W6W. QSL via KM6HB: Mark McMullen, P.O. Box 27271, Santa Ana, California 92799.

XV, VIETNAM. Yan, XV4Y (ex-XV4TUJ), located in Mekong delta (south of Vietnam), informs OPDX that "conditions on 80m have greatly improved and in the last days good DX results showed my setup is not that bad." Yan states, "During my spare time this winter (high season for work here) I will focus on 80m CW mainly to Japan, Pacific and North America around 1400z. Family life and work does not allow me good operating time to Europe (early morning here). Many stations are active from Viet-Nam this winter and that is good news. However few are present on low bands. People who want to try work XV on 80m could follow my twitter account (XV4Y) where I announce my DX schedule. QSL via OK1DOT, LoTW and eQSL." Yan's Twitter and Web page can be found at: http://twitter.com/#!/XV4Y/followers

http://xv4y.radioclub.asia
Also, to learn more about Yan, read his QRZ.com page.

YN, NICARAGUA. Jeff, N6GQ, will once again be active as YN2AA from Grenada, Nicaragua. He informs OPDX that he will be there a few days before the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 3-4th, 2012). Activity will be on 160-10 meters, possibly 6 meters EME (maybe 2m too). Jeff will use a K3 radio and 1 KW amp into the following antennas: a Tribander, 2 element 40m beam, wires and beverages for 80/160m. QSL via NN3W, by the Bureau or direct. U.S. stations, please send SASE; DX stations, please send SAE with GS or IRC. Bureau service will take time. Logs will also be uploaded to LoTW.

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Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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1149. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2011-039E Correction - Correction to Bulletin 2011-039E

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-04 06:35:52 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4EDB14DA.5060007@rac.ca>
Source record: 3889
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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RAC Bulletin 2011-039E Correction - Correction to Bulletin 2011-039E
2011-12-02

An error was noted in Bulletin 2011-039F. Margaret Tidman's callsign
should be VA3VXN, not VA3WXM.

Vernon Erle Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
RAC E-News/Web News Bulletin Editor
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1150. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 4th December 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-04 21:00:11 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20111204210003.9AAE033C8E@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3890
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 4th December 2011

IRTS 80th Anniversary

IRTS will be celebrating its 80th anniversary next year. Details of a worldwide contest - CQIR - to take place on Saint Patrick's Day, Saturday 17th March 2012 have just been announced. Full rules and information are available at www.irts.ie/cqir or by email to cqir /at /irts / dot/ie

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IRTS Committee Meeting

Club Representatives of affiliated clubs are asked to send their email details in order to be kept up to date with notifications of upcoming IRTS committee meetings. Please send email addresses to info /at/ irts.ie or to Hon. Secretary Ger McNamara ei4gxb/ at/ gmail / dot /com The Next Committee meeting will take place on Saturday 10 December at 11.00 at the Maldron Hotel in Portlaoise, and club reps are encouraged to attend.

New Zealand's radio hams get 1 KW

Radio Amateurs in New Zealand received an early Christmas present from their regulator the MED, permitted power levels will be doubled to 1000 watts PEP output The change took effect on November 30, 2011.

New kids on the block

Newly established Enniskillen Amateur Radio Society has just completed its first Foundation Course / Exam.

4 candidates have successfully passed with flying colours.

We are based in the heart of Enniskillen itself.

We will be seeking interest from those wishing to take either the FOUNDATION / INTERMEDIATE course in the new year, dates to be confirmed.

Please feel free to contact us via earsni / at/ btopenworld/ dot /com
or visit our website www.earsni.co.uk

Further information regards courses & our meetings will be
available on-line should you wish to attend.

Everyone more than welcome.

Johnny Cash Special Event Station

Members of the Northeast Arkansas Radio Club (NEARC) USA, will be
conducting the inaugural Johnny Cash Birthday Celebration Special Event
Station on what would have been the late Country Music Hall of Fame and
Rock and Roll Hall of Fame member's 80th birthday, January 26, 2012
beginning at 12:00pm Central time (1800 hrs. UTC).

Satellite AO-51

Satellite AO-51 has ceased transmission and is not responding to
commands. The last telemetry data indicated that the third of six
batteries was approaching failure to short, and observations indicate
the voltage from three cells is insufficient to power the UHF
transmitters. Initial tests with the S band transmitter were also not
positive, although more attempts are in order. We have tried leaving
the satellite in an expected state where if voltages climb high enough,
the 435.150 transmitter may possibly be heard, stated Drew KO4MA
AMSAT-NA VP Operations

South Dublin Radio Club talk on GPS

This Tuesday 6th of December Martin EI9GCB will be giving a talk on the
Global Positioning System

As well as a general explanation of how GPS works he will cover his
experience of GPS chip design for mobile phone applications. These
chips, smaller than 4mm in size are capable of receiving GPS, FM Radio,
Glonass and Bluetooth and are included inside many modern smartphones.

Along with showing the chip and associated circuit there will be
demonstration of GPS mobile phones and navigation devices

Visitors are welcome to attend at 8pm at the community centre on the
Marian Road in Rathfarnham.

http://www.southdublinradioclub.ie

Marconi Auction

A two day auction of Marconi memorabilia will take place at the D4
Berkeley Hotel Dublin on December 13th and 14th 2011. Among the
interesting items will be two lengths of the original Marconi-code
ticker tape, measuring 24inches and 19inches framed.

DX News

The 'Buddies in the Caribbean DXpedition Group' are off on another trip to St Lucia. The group specialize in 100 watt or less low power radios and the Buddipole portable antenna system. Eight U.S. operators are expected to take part and each will have his own J6 callsign. During the ARRL 10m contest on 10/11 December the call J68UN will be used. They plan to be on the island from 4 - 12 December.

Another Caribbean station to look for on the weekend 10/11 December is V25R from the island of Antigua. This is K6IF and QSLs go via his home call.

AA1AC will be in Senegal from 4 - 12 December. He will use the call 6W/AA1AC.

Pierre HB9AMO is back in Haiti until 8 January. He will be active as HH2/HB9AMO. The operation will be CW only using a TS-50 into a wire antenna and tuner. QSL info is via PA7FM.

For those interested in contacts with Antarctica look out for the call II0MZ. This station is being operated by Massimo IW0HEU from the Italian Mario Zucchelli Station at Terra Nova Bay in Antarctica. He will be there until mid February and has been active on 14333 kHz recently from 1700z onwards.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

1151. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #1039.1

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-05 11:12:27 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <734513.91946.qm@smtp104.sbc.mail.mud.yahoo.com>
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Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network and K3LP for the following DX information.

ET3, ETHIOPIA (ET3AA Youth Development Project; DX-Pedition 2011).
Dave Collingham, K3LP, sent the following press release to OPDX on December 4th (edited):

"Members of our team will depart Washington Dullas Airport in Virginia on Wednesday morning, December 7, 2011, headed to Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, where we will be greeted by Sid May (ET3SID).
See <http://www.k3lp.com/et3aa_december_2011.htm> for additional information and updates.

Our team will include David Collingham (K3LP - Team Leader), Paul Ewing (N6PSE), Al Hernandez (K3VN) and Bill Beyer Jr. (N2WB). My good friend Krassy Petkov (K1LZ) informed me today that his participation is not possible due to a serious health issue with his father in Bulgaria. Our prayers are with you Krassy.

The duration of this trip will be 8:30 AM December 8, 2011, through 10:30 PM, December 13, 2011.

The primary goal of the trip is related to Youth Development at the Addis Ababa University - Institute of Technology. Fifty-eight (58) students have been studying to take the US FCC Amateur Radio License exams since my last visit in August 2011. Student numbers taking the tests by type are:
58 �echnician License (Element 2) exam
44 �eneral License (Element 3) exam
5 �xtra License (Element 4) exam

Our team will administer the examinations in accordance with the ARRL's VEC requirements for Volunteer Examiners (VEs). David Collingham (K3LP) will be the VE Team Liaison on this trip with Paul (N6PSE), Al (K3VN) and Bill (N2WB) participating as Volunteer Examiners.

The tests will be conducted at 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM on Saturday,
December 10, 2011. Another session will be held on Monday, December 12,
2011, for retests and General/Extra Class license exams. Our team members
will sponsor and pay 100% of student exam fees.

The other goals with this trip are:
b) Creation of "University of Addis Ababa - Technology Incubation
Program (TIP)"
c) Low Band Antenna Installation (160 & 80 Meters) at University
d) Activate ET3AA and ET3SID on 160M thru 6 Meters using CW and SSB

There are only two radios (one at the university and one at Sid's home)
for use during this trip. The legal authorization to bring additional
equipment into the country requires the Ethiopian government security
approval prior to entry. Future trips will involve bring additional
equipment that can be donated to students.

Our team will operate from Sid May's QTH using the call sign ET3SID and
from the university using the call ET3AA call sign. Look for us on 160
thru 6 Meters using CW and SSB. I'll work with students to install 160
Meter vertical and 80 Meter four square antennas during this trip. All
antenna, coax, control cable, four square box, etc. supplies will be
donated to the club.

QSL Manager for ET3AA and ET3SID for this trip only: N2OO (Bob Schenck)
Please do not merge other QSL requests for QSO's you've made with ET3SID
and ET3AA in the same envelop not related to this trip. Bob will only
have the logs for the ET3AA and ET3SID for Dec. 8-13, 2011. Thank you!

We look forward to working you from Ethiopia.

Sincerely,

David Collingham • K3LP"

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1152. Wholesale Jordans Shoes here,cheap jordan shoes,new jordan shoes, retro jordans shoes, you can pick wholesale jordan shoes, cheap air Jordan Shoes with ...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-06 02:29:37 UTC
From: hggdsfds3@hotmail.com
Message-ID: <0eab74ee-823e-433c-a3f9-8440972dc418@m7g2000vbc.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3892

Wholesale Jordans Shoes here,cheap jordan shoes,new jordan shoes,
retro jordans shoes, you can pick wholesale jordan shoes, cheap air
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retro jordans shoes, you can pick wholesale jordan shoes, cheap air
Jordan Shoes with ...
Wholesale Jordans Shoes here,cheap jordan shoes,new jordan shoes,
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1153. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2011-041E - Address/phone number/email updates needed.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-06 05:06:40 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
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+magazine is mailed.

However members move and do not send a change of address notice to
headquarters or do not update their information online @
+rac.ca, including phone numbers and email addresses.

Canada Post charges us for returned mail and members do not get
their renewal notices or their TCA magazine.

This is a reminder to please send a change of address notice to
headquarters or update your information online @ rac.ca,
+including phone number and email address.

If you know a ham that has moved in the last year remind them to
make these changes.

We are looking for new addresses for:

VE3NY, VA2AX, VE3RBO, VE7CJZ, VE9JEF, VE3GNM, VE1AIP,
VE3YT, VE3DDD, VE3FGV, VE2VW, VE5LQ, VE5VL, VE5VT, VE3LUJ
VE6BBE, VE3HMG, VE7BWW, VE6FS, VE7CDL, VE4ZD, VE6KY, VE6SAR, VE7PW,
VE3BZF, VE7WQ, VE1JIM, VE4AT, VA3QR, VA3MEW, VA3NV,
VA3COX, VE6LEN, VE7MLT, VE7ECW, VE7HLO
VA7SND, VA2RC, VE7JCR, VE4JP, VA3GAX, VA2RJC, VE2TAW
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VE2GMJ, VE3HTC, VE7ABV, VE3RTB, VE6OOO, VE2RG, VA7LNX
VE2LAM, VE3DXZ, VY1WWW

If you know these members please have then send their new address to
racgm@rac.ca (Frank Greene)

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3D2, FIJI, OC-060
Antoine,3D2AG, will conduct a small "green" radio activity as 3D2AG/p
from Rotuma (OC-060, grid loc. RH87) from Dec 9 until Jan 9, 2012:
Ecologically correct barefoot on 80m-6m. In the context of sustainable
development of insular communities of the Pacific, the company TOTAL
sponsors the batteries, three 50 watt solar panels and the QSL cards
printed on recycled paper. He will use an ICOM 706, FT757GX and TS440S,
a 5 band Spiderbeam, Doublets for 40m/60m/80m and a 6 ele yagi for 6m
with 100 watts in SSB and CW. His batteries are powered only by the
solar cells. QSL via homecall, unfortunately only direct.

4S, SRI LANKA, AS-003
Peter,DC0KK will be QRV as 4S7KKG during his stay on Sri Lanka (AS-003)
from Dec 12 until Mar 10, 2012. His dipoles will be mounted on palms.
Peter prefers CW and digital modes like RTTY, PSK and WSJT.
QSL via homecall. The QSLs will be confirmed after his return home.

5W, WESTERN SAMOA, OC-097
Joe,DL4RDJ, is working as 5W0OJ on HF from Western Samoa (OC-097).
QSL via homecall.

CE, CHILE
Hector,CE3FZL, plans to take part in the upcoming ARRL 10m Contest.
QSL via homecall, unfortunately only direct.

DL, GERMANY
The special event station DP30OVW is activated by the German OV I45
noch until Dec 31 to celebrate its 30th anniversary.
QSL via bureau & LoTW.

ET, ETHIOPIA
David,K3LP, Krassy,K1LZ, Al,K3VN, Paul,N6PSE, and William,N2WB, are
planning a DXpedition to Ethiopia from Dec 8-13. They want to put up

some antennas on the roof of the university of Addis Abeba, will do
US Ham license exams, install a "Technology Incubation Program (TIP)"
and do some radio operations from the club ET3AA and from ET3SID.
QSLs for these operations via N2OO.
See also: http://www.k3lp.com/et3aa_december_2011.htm

FR, REUNION, AF-016
Jean,FR/F6CAM, is active on the bands until Jan 10, 2012.
QSL via homecall.

FS, ST MARTIN, NA-105
Tom,FS/DL2RUM, will be QRV in CW, SSB and RTTY running 600 watts from
St Martin (NA-105) until Dec 12. QSL via homecall.
More information can be found at: http://dl2rum.de

G, ENGLAND, EU-005
The ISWL will activate following callsigns during December:
GX4BJC/A from Walton on the Naze in Essex by Op Herbie,G6XOU,
(/A WAB Square TM22 - England, EU-005, WLOTA LH-1841) and
MX1SWL/A & MX1SWL/p from Great Sutton in Cheshire by Op Geof,M0BAU,
(/A WAB Square SJ37 - England, EU-005, WLOTA LH-1841).
QSLs via G6XOU.

HV, HOLY VATICAN
The special event station HV50VR is celebrating the 50th anniversary
of the radio station "Santa Maria di Galeria" of Radio Vatican (opened
in 1957). The medium-wave antenna has four 94m high masts with wire
antennas. QSL via I0JBL, unfortunately only direct.

JA, JAPAN, AS-077
The special event station 8J6HAM will be activated between Dec 10 and
Mar 5, 2012, for the 11th Nishinihon (or West Japan) Ham Fair.
QSLs for QSOs on HF via bureau, QSLs for satellite QSOs via JA6PL.

KH2, GUAM, OC-026
Haru,JA1XGI, will be QRV as W8XGI/KH2 from Guam (OC-026, WLOTA 0064,
USI GU003S, WFF KFF-110) working on 20m-10m (30m/17m/12m preferred)
mainly in CW from Dec 12-15. QSL via JA1XGI, LoTW.

KP2, US VIRGIN ISLANDS, NA-106
Chuck,WP2/WA0ROI, will be QRV from St. Croix (NA-106) from Dec 7-13.
He will sign NP2N in the ARRL 10m Contest. QSL via WA0ROI and LoTW.

PJ2, CURACAO, SA-099
Marty,PJ2/K2PLF, is active mainly in RTTY on 30m/17m/12m until Dec 13.
He will join the ARRL 160m CW Contest and the ARRL 10m Contest as PJ2T
together with other OMs.
QSLs for PJ2T via W3HNK, PJ2/K2PLF via homecall.

T8, PALAU, OC-009
Ark,UA4CC, will operate in holiday style signing T8CC or T88UU in all
modes on all HF bands from Dec 7-16. QSL via homecall, LoTW.

UA, RUSSIA
The special call R1941RB remembers the battle of Moscow 70 years ago
until Dec 11. QSL via R2DX, LoTW.

UN, KAZAKHSTAN
48 special event stations will be activated from 11 provinces to
celebrate 20 years of Kazakhstan's independence from Dec 1-31:
UP20B (via UN7BWA) UP20BCF (via UN7BCF)
UP20BEW (via UN7BEW) UP20BI (via UN7BI)
UP20C (via UN8CWN) UP20CAD (via UN7CAD)
UP20CC (via UN8CC) UP20CH (via UN7CH)
UP20ECE (via UN7ECE) UP20EDG (via UN7EDG)
UP20EME (via UN9L) UP20GR (via UN9GR)
UP20GW (via UN9GW) UP20GX (via UN8GX)
UP20I (via UN7IU) UP20IT (via UN7IT)
UP20IWA (via UN8IWA) UP20JNN (via UN8JNN)
UP20KAZ (via UN7ECA) UP20L (via UN8LWF)
UP20LU (via UN9LU) UP20LWZ (via UN8LWZ)
UP20M (via UN7MAU) UP20MAC (via UN7MAC)
UP20N (via UN7NFD) UP20NF (via UN7NF)
UP20NR (via UN7NR) UP20O (via UN1O)
UP20OD (via UN7OD) UP20OGA (via UN7OGA)
UP20OGB (via UN7OGB) UP20OY (via UN7OY)
UP20PL (via UN7PL) UP20PT (via UN8PT)
UP20Q (via UN6QC) UP20R (via UN7RL)
UP20RK (via UN7Z) UP20T (via UN6T)
UP20TB (via UN7TB) UP20TD (via UN8TD)
UP20TFS (via UN7TFS) UP20TG (via UN7TG)
UP20TK (via UN7TK) UP20TO (via UN7TO)
UP20TW (via UN7TW) UP20TX (via UN7TX)
UP20TZ (via UN7TZ) UP20ZWW (via UN7ZA)
See also: http://cqun.kz/?lang=ru&id_1=3&type=news&nid=388

V2, ANTIGUA, NA-100
Dan,K6IF, will be QRV as V25R from Gunthorpes, Saint George (NA-100,
WLOTA 1118, Loc FK97bc) on 40m/20m from Dec 9-11 but mainly in the
ARRL 10m SSB Contest. QSL via homecall.

V6, MICRONESIA, OC-010
Janet,KL7MF, and Chip,K7JA, are hitting the bands from Pohnpei (OC-010)
as V63QQ and V63RR from Dec 5-12. They are working holiday style on
20m-6m. QSLs via K7JA.

VE, CANADA
To celebrate the 75th anniversary of the CBC/Radio Canada, all Canadian
HAMs may use following special prefixes from Dec 1-31:
VG for VA,
VX for VE,
XJ for VO and
XK for VY

VP8/A, ANTARCTICA
Mike,M0PRL (http://clarkema.org), is staying on the Halley Station V

(AN-016) until February 2012 and helps with its move to the new base
Halley VI. He will try to operate as VP8DMH from both stations.
QSL via M0PRL, unfortunately only direct.

Bis Maerz 2012 funkt
Tomas,CE3VPM, is QRV from the Antarctis station "Base Aerea Presidente
Gabriel Gonzalez Videla" (SA-050) signing CE9VPM. QSL info see QRZ.com.

W, USA
Mark,KM6HB, plans to remember the Battle of Wake Island 70 years ago
by activating W6W from Dec 8-11. QSL via KM6HB.

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Dec 10: UBA Winter Low Band Contest
Dec 10/11: ARRL 10m Contest
Dec 10/11: 28 MHz SWL Contest
Dec 10/11: International Naval Contest
Dec 11: UBA Winter Low Band Contest

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AN-012, various, Graham Land West: KC4AAC is another active station from the
Antarctic continent. Francis,KD0MUM, is working from the Palmer Station
on Anvers Island until April 2012. He plans to work mainly on 20m
during his spare time. QSL via K1IED (bureau/direct).

EU-009, GM/MM, Orkney: Russel,G5XW, plans to hit the airwaves as GM5XW from
Mainland Island from Dec 14-19. QSL only direct via G5XW.

Lighthouse activities

8J6HAM LH 0963 Dec 10- Mar 5, 2012
PJ2T LH 0942 Dec 10-11
V25R LH 1118 Dec 9-11
VP5CW LH 1476 Dec 10-11

Bandspots of the last 7 days

80m
EM0ORSE 3.521 2235Z via UZ9RR (B), (L)
PJ5/DL7VOG 3.525 2329Z via DL7VOG (B)
SX100A 3.522 2250Z (B)

40m
PJ5/DL7VOG 7.007 0812Z via DL7VOG (B)

SX100A 7.150 2334Z (B)

30m
EM20UARL 10.117 1156Z via UT7UT
EA6NB 10.116 0731Z (d)
KH6MB 10.105 1654Z (L), (d)
PF7DKW 10.108 1500Z (B)
PJ5/DL7VOG 10.114 0712Z via DL7VOG (B)
SX100A 10.114 0610Z (B)
UA0ZC 10.118 0611Z (B)
XW3DT 10.116 1530Z via RK3DT
8Q7DV 10.107 1617Z via UA9CLB (B)
9L0W 10.104 0736Z AF-037 via DK2VW (B)

20m
R1941MB 14.008 1550Z
W4EON 14.340 1749Z SOTA W4/SH-015
W4EON 14.332 1745Z SOTA W4/HB-035

17m
CT9/D7YY 18.072 0852Z via DK7YY (B)
J6/W0MU 18.128 1225Z via W0MU (L), (d)
PJ2T 18.075 1442Z via W3HNK (d)
W5/G6WRW/p 18.142 1636Z SOTA W5/SI-005

15m
D44AC 21.018 1710Z (d)
PJ2/PA0VDV 21.007 1617Z via PA0VDV (B)
PJ4/KU8E 21.027 1637Z
PJ5/DL7VOG 21.011 1444Z via DL7VOG (B)
S01MZ 21.228 0839Z via EA1BT (B)
W4EON 21.331 1708Z SOTA W4/SH-015
6W/N1SNB 21.009 1645Z via N1SNB (B)
9L0W 21.023 1538Z via DK2VW (B)

12m
PJ4/K4BAI 24.892 1711Z via K4BAI (B)
PJ2/PA0VDV 24.909 1510Z via PA0VDV (B)

10m
AU2JCB 28.530 1242Z via VU2DSI (d)
D44AC 28.046 1633Z (d)
HC2/KF6ZWD 28.048 1623Z see QRZ.com
PJ2T 28.094 1645Z via W3HNK (d)
PJ2/K8LEE 28.007 1353Z via
PJ4A 28.032 1701Z via K4BAI
PJ5/DL7VOG 28.043 1402Z via DL7VOG (B)
ZS2I 28.026 0919Z (B), (L)
XE2X 28.034 1554Z (L), (d)
5R8IC 28.005 1520Z (B)

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(r) = bureau QSL via e-mail request

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

09Dec-09Jan 3D2AG/p 1757 *
-Dec 3Y8XSA 1700/1717
12Dec-Mar/12 4S7KKG 1757 *
15Nov-17Dec 5R8IC 1753
Unknown 5W0OJ 1757 *
23Nov-14Dec 5X1NH 1755
-2014 5Z4EE 1742/1753
-Apr/12 5Z4RH ? 1674
04Dec-11Dec 6W/AA1AC 1756
-Mar/12 8J1ING 1751
-Sep/12 8J2NDP.. 1751
31Jan 8J4EQ 1754
10Dec-05Mar 8J6HAM 1757 *
11Dec 8N2IWA 1754
-31Dec 9A11P 1723
-2012 9J2RI 1739/1742
Long term 9N1FE 1740
Soon 9Q1EK 1669
-Oct/14 9V1RM 1751

-Sep/13 A52SV 1752
-31Dec BP100 1684
-31Dec BV100 1684/1755/1756
10Dec/11Dec CE3FZL 1757 *
-Mar/12 CE9VPM 1752
15Oct-20Dec CN2LO.. 1753
-31Dec CW5RV 1711
05Oct-31Dec CY0/VE1AWW 1748
-08Jul D2QV 1750
-Apr/12? D2SG 1748
-Feb/13 DP0GVN 1756
-31Dec DP30OVW 1757 *
01Dec-28Feb EM0BSCC/mm 1756
01Dec-30Dec EM20C.. 1756
08Dec-13Dec ET3AA.. 1757 *

-Mar/13 FH8NX 1747
-10Jan FR/F6CAM 1757 *
-Jul/12 FR8NE 1710
-11Dec FS/DL2RUM 1757 *
18Nov-15Dec GB2PG 1755
-31Dec GB40HMSB 1748
02Dec-07Dec GJ6UW 1756

Dec GX4BJC/A.. 1757 *
-31Dec HB60LU 1711
-31Dec HG15IPA 1724
01Jan-31Dec HG200LST 1708
-09Jan HH2/HB9AMO 1756
Sep -2013 HI3/KL7JR 1745
NOW HL2/KC6STQ 1746
Unknown HV50VR 1757 *

01Jan-31Dec IA7MM 1708
-Dec/12 ID9DXC.. 1755
-Feb/12 II0MZ 1755
01Jan-31Dec II1ITA.. 1708
-31Dec II4LXV 1742
-2012 J28FJ 1739
-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul/12 J28RO 1683
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
04Dec-12Dec J68UN.. 1756
23Nov-08Dec J79WE 1755
-07Dec J79WTA 1703/1754
Dec JG8NQJ/JD1 1739/1756
-Apr/12 KC4AAC 1757 *
-2013 KG4AJ 1776
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
-May/12 KH4/W5FJG 1728
Postponed KH5 1674/1705/1741

-31Dec LA200D 1713
-31Dec LM9L40Y 1748
05Dec-25Dec LY100SP 1756
Dec LZ1363PTT 1756
-31Dec LZ85R 1721
-Mar/12 OA/OE3NHW 1749
-31Dec ON30CLM 1753
-Feb/12 OR4TN 1754
Long term P29FM 1752
-Mar/12 P29FR 1742
01Jan-31Dec PA30.. 1708
01Dec-28Dec PG65ISWL 1756
-13Dec PJ2/K2PLF.. 1757 *
24Nov-13Dec PJ2/PA0VDV 1755
-Apr/12 PJ4/PE1MAE 1753

-11Dec R1941RB 1757 *
-Dec RI1ANC 1708
-Sep/12 RI1FJA 1741
-Sep/12 RI1FJM 1741
NOW ST2AR 1745
Unknown SU9VB 1754
-Apr/12 T6BP 1746

-Jun/12 T6MO 1733
07Dec-16Dec T8CC.. 1757 *
Unknown TL8ES 1755
-Jul/12 TN9SN 1755
23Oct-23Dec TT8PK 1670/1723/1752
-31Dec UP20B.. 1757 *

09Dec-11Dec V25R 1757 *
02Dec-16Jan V5/DJ2BQ.. 1756
17Nov-14Dec V5/DJ4SO 1700/1701/1715/1754
05Dec-12Dec V63RR.. 1757 *
-Nov/14 V73NS 1604/1668/1752
-Dec/11 VK0BFG 1741
NOW VK0TH (Macqu) 1748
Nov VK100ARV 1752
-14Dec VP5CW.. 1756
-Feb/12 VP8DMH 1757 *
28Oct-31Dec VP9/N1SV 1747
28Oct-31Dec VP9/N1SV 1751
-Jul/12 VQ9JC 1755

08Dec-11Dec W6W 1757 *
12Dec-15Dec W8XGI/KH2 1757 *
07Dec-13Dec WP2/WA0ROI.. 1757 *
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
02Dec-08Dec XV2LC 1756
01Nov-12Dec XV2RZ 1751
Unknown XV9DX.. 1756
Dec ZF2HZ 1756
-29Dec ZK2V.. 1749/1756
-31Dec ZL50GH 1711
-2012 ZS7KX 1740/1749

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

CO6RD via 8P9NX (d)
CR2X via OH2BH (B)
CS2C via OK1RF
CS4ODX via CU3HY (B), (L)
CT7/CT3FN via HB9CRV (B)
CT8/W1NN via W1NN (d)
CT9/DL5AXX via DL5AXX (B)
CT9/E77XZ via DK6XZ (B)
DA35HEB via DL4NWM (B)
DL/N2WB via N2OO (B)
DP0GVN via DL5EBE (B)
DP30OVW via (B), (L)
E44PM via HB9IQB (B), (L)

E70YL via E77E (B)
E74X via E77E (B)
E77A via 9A2AA (B)
EA8OM via DJ1OJ (B)
EA8/RW3DO via RW3DO
ED7FCD via EA7URS (B)
EG0FCD via EA7URS (B)
EG2ISC via EA2VE (B), (L)
EH5DC via EA5KB (B)
EK3SA via DJ1CW (B)
EL2ES via AA7A (L)
EM0RSE via UZ9RR (B), (L), eQSL
EM20C via UX5PC (B)
EM20L via US0LW (B), (L)
EM20LTD via UR3LTD
EM20UARL via UT7UT
EM20UJ via UR5UJ (B)
EM20UKR via UR7UC (B)
EM20UU via US7UU
EM20V via UR2VA (B), (L)
EN20C via UX7CQ
EN20UARL via UT5UIA (B)
EN20UP via UT4UP (B)
EN20UZ via UR5UZ (B)
EN20W via UR4WWE
EO20HC via UT2HC (B), (L)
EO20IGN via US7IGN
EO20IO via UX3IO
EO20IZ via UX5IZ
EO20K via UR4KWA
EO20UD via UR7UD (B)
EO20UM via UT0UM
EO20UR via UT7UR (B), (L) eQSL
EO20UU via UT7UU (B), (L), eQSL
ES5/YL2GQT via YL2GQT (L)
ES9C via ES5RY (B)
ET3AA via N2OO (only Dec 8-13)
ET3SID via N2OO (only Dec 8-13)
EW6AF via DL8KAC (d)
FM/KL7WA via UT5UGR (B)
GJ6UW via M0BLF (B)
HB60LU via HB9DWL (B), (L), eQSL
OX3LX via OZ1PIF (B)
XQ7HL via CE3AA (B)
XU7ACQ via KF0RQ (L), (d)
XV2CO via DL5CO (B)
3D2AG/p via 3D2AG (d)
4J85W via DL6KVA (B)
4K85K via 4K4K (d)
4L1HD via DL8KAC (d)

4S7KKG via DC0KK
4X2M via 4X6YN
5W0OJ via DL4RDJ (B)
6W/N1SNB via N1SNB (B)
6Y5/M0YCM via K1YCM (B)
7X5QB via EA7FTR
8J6HAM via (B) (KW); JA6PL (Sat)
9M6/JA4DPL via JA4DPL

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QSL Manager:
Buzz,NI5DX, has taken over the duties of the deceased manager (A71AN)
for Abdulla,A71CV. It still takes a few weeks until the design of the
new QSL cards is finished. Please be patient.

Ralph,K2PF, is the new QSL manager of VP2V/N3DXX.
QSL unfortunately only direct.

QSLs arrived direct: A73A (EA7FTR), BG0APU, CO8LY (EA7ADH), HV0A (IK0FVC),
PJ2T (W3HNK), R25CH (RA3YC), U5ARTEK/A (UT7UT),
VK0TH (JE1LET), 6Y9X (KQ1F)

QSLs arrived bureau: AL5A/WH0 (JA7JEC), CE0Y/DK7ZB, CT9/OH2O (AF-014),
DL2RVL/p (EU-129), E75O, FJ/OH2YL, FJ/SM5ENX, FR5MV,
HB0/PA3KFA, HB0/PA5MW, HB0/PC5A, HB0/DL8DP, HS0ZBS,
J28KO (F6DKI), JT1NOC/4/p (I5NOC), KH0/KT3Q (DL3OCH),
JY4NE, LX2LA, MJ/PA1AW (EU-013), N9EAJ/4 (NA-142),
OH0/W3UR, OJ0J (OH0RJ), OX/DL2VFR, P29VCX (SM6CVX),
S9DX (DL1RTL), SP6OJE/1 (EU-132), SV5/G0TSM, TA1CM,
TA100FB (TA1CM), TM0IL (EU-058, IZ1HGM), TO2R (F5UOW),
TS8P (IK7JWX), VP2MKK (KK1KW), VP8YLB (M0ACL),
VP9/SM3TLG, YK9SV (SV1JG), 3B8MM (DL6UAA),
4U1NPT (OE1ZKC), 7Q7CE (IN3VZE), 7Z1HL (DL8KAY),
8Q7QX (DL3OCH), 9M2MRS (PA0RRS)

QSLs arrived LoTW: F/HB9CSA/p, F/IZ4BBF, FJ/OH2YL, GW8HXE/p, HA0HW, HK1R,
HK1T, J37BO, JA2FJP, JW2PA, JW7WCA, KP2/NY6X, LX/PA1AW,
LX/PA7FM, LX/PA9JO, LZ1670SWS, M6ADB/p, MJ/I1FQH,
OD5/DL6SN, OK1DO/p, PJ4LS, PJ7X, PP5/LU9ESD, PR7AR,
PW7T, PY4ZE, SV9/DJ9XB, T6JC, TI9KK, UD6DKW, V51VV/p,
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1155. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 28 November - 04 December 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-06 22:30:07 UTC
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# http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
28 November - 04 December 2011

Solar activity was low all week. On average, seven small and
magnetically simple spotted regions were present at any given time
during the period. Of these, Region 1363 (S22, Lo=108,
class/area=Eki/430 on 04 December) was the most productive, with
five C-class flares and 4 optical flares to its credit. It appeared
on the disk on 29 November as a small Hsx-alpha group and ended the
period as the largest and most magnetically complex (beta-gamma)
group on the disk. Despite its size and complexity, Region 1363 did
not produce the largest x-ray flare of the week. That honor belongs
to Region 1362 (N08, Lo=131, class/area=Eso/220 on 03 December)
which produced C4 04/1615Z. The second largest x-ray flare of the
period, a C3 from Region 1364 (N18, Lo=105, class/area=Hsx/60 on 30
November) occurred on 30/2028Z. At least one CME was observed each
day in coronagraph imagery, mostly attributed to filament eruptions.
None of the CMEs had any significant geoeffective component.

The greater than 10 MeV protons at 10 pfu exceeded threshold during
the period. The event began at 26/1125Z, reached a maximum flux of
80 pfu at 27/0125Z and ended at 28/0145Z. This event was associated
with a filament eruption observed early on 26 November.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
normal levels 28 November - 01 December and at moderate levels on 27
November and 02 - 03 December.

The geomagnetic field on 27 November was at quiet to unsettled
levels, with isolated high latitude active periods. The disturbed
conditions were caused by a CIR in advance of a weak CH HSS. Most of
28 November was quiet. A 45 nT Sudden Impulse at the Boulder
magnetometer at 28/2154Z signaled the arrival of a CME from 26
November. Unsettled to minor storm periods followed at all
latitudes. Quiet to unsettled levels, with isolated high latitude
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active periods, returned by midday on 29 November and lasted until early on 03 December. The exception was the latter half of 30 November when a solar sector boundary crossing and prolonged southward IMF Bz triggered minor to major storm periods at high latitudes. Active to minor storm conditions were also observed at high latitudes between 03/0900-1500Z with the passage of a transient feature. The field returned to quiet to unsettled levels for the remainder.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
07 December - 02 January 2012

Solar activity is expected to be at predominately low levels with a chance for isolated M-class activity through the forecast period

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at normal to moderate levels the entire forecast period

The geomagnetic field is expected to be at mostly quiet to unsettled levels through most of the forecast period. Coronal hole high speed streams are expected to bring active conditions on 14 November and again on 26-29 December.

1156. Good old solar

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html

X-No-Archive: Yes

1157. The ARRL Contest Update for December 7, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-07 05:10:10 UTC
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NEW HF OPERATORS - THINGS TO DO

Check out those 10 meter conditions in the upcoming ARRL 10 Meter Contest <http://arrl.org/10-meter>. As writeup author Scott K7ZO points out in his "pre-writeup" on the contest's web page, good conditions feed on themselves with increased activity so don't miss out! The following weekend finds the second CW version of the ARRL Rookie Roundup <http://arrl.org/rookie-roundup> for newcomers to ham radio - will there be a three-peat winner?

BULLETINS

There are no bulletins in this issue.

BUSTED QSOS

My flying fingers miscombobulated the call sign of Midge K7AFO in the Nov 23rd issue - apologies! I hope I am not banned from the kitchen and her corn chowder...and Jim K1TN pointed out that CW, the mode, began in the 1920's while it was just the Morse, the code, that was devised in the early 1800's.

John W6BXQ reminds your editor that the 219-220 MHz allocation is limited to digital data messaging so CW is not allowed everywhere on the ham bands.

CONTEST SUMMARY

Complete information for all contests follows the Conversation section

December 10-11

- ARRL 10 Meter Contest
- 28 MHz SWL Contest
- UBA Winter Contest
- AWA Bruce Kelly QSO Party--CW
- NA High-Speed Meteor Scatter Contest--Digital
- SKCC Weekend Sprintathon--CW
- Great Colorado Snowshoe Run--CW
- NAQCC Monthly QRP Sprint--CW (Dec 14)
- CWops Monthly Mini-CWT Test (Dec 14)
- Russian 160 Meter Contest (Dec 15)

December 17-18

- ARRL Rookie Roundup--CW
- Feld-Hell Happy Birthday Sprint
- OK DX RTTY Contest
- RAC Winter Contest
- Lighthouse Christmas Lights QSO Party
- Croatian CW Contest
- Stew Perry Top Band Distance Challenge--CW
- Holiday Spirits Homebrew Sprint--CW
- Run For the Bacon--CW (Dec 19)

==> NEWS, PRESS RELEASES, AND GENERAL INTEREST

Don Rohn <http://www.wirelessestimator.com/breaking_news.cfm#Don_Rohn>, leader of Rohn Towers during its growth from a small TV-tower manufacturer to an industry giant, died on Nov 21st at the age of 72. Rohn towers are by far the most common in ham radio and set the standard by which towers are judged. (Thanks, Bill K3WA)

Array Solutions <http://arraysolutions.com/> has released some new models in the AS-300 ICE Surge Arrestor product line. The design applies a saturable inductor to help dissipate surge energy in the feed line as described in the device manual. There is a multi-arrestor version of the product for mounting on a single-point entry, as well.

The new Alpha 4040 auto-tuner by RF Concepts/Alpha Amplifier <http://www.rfconcepts.com/> is truly a heavy-duty product, rated at 4 kW maximum over the 1.8 - 30 MHz range. The tuner uses vacuum-variable capacitors and a new multiple-contact edge-wound inductor in a Tee configuration. The front panel features an LCD screen and can even display impedances in a Smith Chart <en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Smith_chart> format.

Keep your prefix list up-to-date - to celebrate the 75th Anniversary of the CBC/Radio Canada, Canadian amateurs may substitute the following prefixes between December 1-31, 2011:

- VG for VA
- VX for VE
- XJ for VO
- XK for VY

For example, VX3AT is really VE3AT. (Thanks, AMSAT www.amsat.org <http://www.amsat.org/>, newsletter ANS-338)

The previous issue's Conversation regarding prompt log submissions was in reference to those submitting logs electronically. There are plenty of good reasons that logs might not be ready to send right after the contest - for example, rovers and mobile stations usually keep paper logs that must be transcribed or a station on an expedition might be far from email. The point was - if in preparing your log you are changing the information to what you think you "should" have copied, that's going too far - nothing more.

Speaking of mobiles - if you operate your mobile station in the ARRL 10 Meter Contest <http://arrl.org/10-meter>, you must stay within one state or province. If your travels take you beyond that boundary, you must either change your operation to use a different call sign or submit your log as a checklog.

More plaque sponsors have stepped forward for the upcoming Stew Perry <http://jzap.com/k7rat/stew.html> contest on 160 meters:

- Sponsor - Category
- K7FL - Top Score 100% Search & Pounce
- N7UA - Top Score High Power
- N2KW - Highest rate for 1 hour w/o bust
- K6ND - K6SE Memorial-Top Score World
- NA0Y - Top Score USA
- F8BPN - Top Score EU- Low Power
- EI4HQ - Perhaps you were Irish and didn't know it (Top # of calls containing sequential "EI")
- N9ADG - Top Score Asia

(Thanks, Lew W7EW)

Here's a book that is definitely going on my to-read list: Wi-Fi and the Bad Boys of Radio by Alex Hills. The Wired magazine review <http://www.wired.com/geekdad/2011/11/a-history-of-wi-fi/> definitely piqued my interest as it mentions Mr Hill's progressions from ham radio through college radio stations to field experience and finally to the development of Wi-Fi technology that we almost take for granted today. Until we can't get it...that's where the "Bad Boys of Radio" come in. I'll leave those acquaintances for you to discover!

Three great articles await you in the December issue of the Potomac Valley Radio Club Newsletter <http://pvrc.org/Newsletters/dec2011.pdf>: a report on the recent High Speed CW Championships by Ken KE3X, a recounting of the CQ WW SSB from Thailand by Fred K3ZO, and a wire beam design by Jim K4QPL. Good reading and photos, too!

The QRP ARCI web page <http://www.qrparci.org/> is now updated to list the entire roster of QRP ARCI 2012 contests through December of 2012. (Thanks, QRP ARCI Contest Manager, Jim K9JWV)

Web Site of the Week - Hams love maps and contesters are the mappiest of the lot - well, maybe next to DXers - so how well do you have the US states placed in your memory? Try this drag-n-drop online test <http://jimspages.com/States.htm> for fun! (Thanks, Bob N6TV)

WORD TO THE WISE

Listen - listen to the call sign the CQing station responds to and don't be a lid - stand by if it's not very close to your call. Too many stations just keep calling and calling, regardless of who the CQer comes back to. If you're transmitting, you're not listening and can't tell what the CQing station is doing. Give a couple of calls, then listen - it's a lot easier to get through that way.

==> SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

Diego LU8ADX recently participated as part of the PJ4T team in the 2011 CQ WW SSB Contest and has published an extensive photo album <https://picasaweb.google.com/116979053033309598589/PJ4Bonaire?authuser=0&authkey=Gv1sRgCP-C44HLhOboJA&feat=directlink>
of his experiences. Can you find the drempels?

==> RESULTS AND RECORDS

ARRL Contest Branch Manager, Sean KX9X reports that the 2011 ARRL August UHF Contest's extended writeup <http://www.arrl.org/contests> is now online. Sweepstakes log submissions total 1404 for CW and right at 1800 for Phone - no wonder it was so hard to hold a frequency! In addition, plaques and certificates for the 2011 ARRL RTTY Roundup are also now in the mails - an early present for the lucky recipients!

An updated version of the ARRL 160 Meter CW Log Analyzer <http://tinyurl.com/7xjxypc> is ready for your download, including the "One click" Cabrillo import feature. For fun and a good luck at the difference between the first and second halves of the contest, import your log for the first half of the contest into the worksheet labeled "Position 1" and the second into "Position 2". (Thanks, Bob K0RC)

The 2011 Canada Day contest results and writeup are now posted online <http://www.rac.ca/en/rac/programmes/contests/> at the Radio Amateurs of Canada (RAC) web site. The results will also be published in the next The Canadian Amateur (TCA) magazine (Jan / Feb issue). (Thanks, Bart VE5CPU)

>From the Pacific Northwest comes word that the Salmon Run log season has closed and the fish counted for a total of 290 logs. Results have been posted <http://www.wwdxc.org/images/stories/SalmonRun/2011%20results.pdf> and nets are being repaired for next year! (Thanks, Jim K7WA)

Kansas QSO Party results <http://www.ksqsoparty.org/> are now ready with lots of soapbox and information. The 33 stations using 1x1 call signs made 21,509 QSOs with 4,851 unique stations, an average of 652 contacts per operator. (Thanks, Cliff K0CA)

Results for the new August CW Open <http://www.cwops.org/cwopen.html> have been published. The sponsors report that participation met their expectations and the format of three separate operating periods was interesting. The sponsors have changed the contest date to September in 2012 to avoid conflicts with other contests and will make other adjustments to the format. (Thanks, Alan AD6E)

The Logs Received web page for the 10-Meter RTTY Contest <http://rttycontesting.com/the10meterrttycontest/logs.html> has been updated with logs received up to about an hour ago. 426+ logs have been submitted so far in the first 24 hours. Activity was good worldwide with lots of spots though run rates weren't high. The solar flux rose throughout the week and the contest started with an SFI of 160 and moved up to 164 during the contest with low A and K index numbers: The A dropped from 8 to 5 and the K from 2 to 0. There was a lot of interesting spotlight propagation that moved around the world as the ionosphere changed - a great warmup for the ARRL 10 Meter contest this weekend and ARRL RTTY Roundup in about a month. The contest picked up three new plaque sponsors and now has nine plaques sponsored. (Thanks, Don AA5AU and Ed W0YK)

The recent SKYWARN day sponsored by the National Weather Service also heated up the bands as reported by Deb N9SJ. From a portable vehicle station, she and Steve WD9CIR made 979 contacts hitting 46 states, at least 3 Canadian provinces and 3 DX stations not to mention 69 of the 105 NWS WFO's on the air.

Did you have a great experience in a recent ARRL contest? If so, while it's still fresh in your memory, share it with us and the writeup authors using the ARRL Soapbox web page <http://www.arrl.org/soapbox>. Photos are especially welcome!

Doug KR2Q gives the Pileup web site <http://pileup.ru/> by Valery, R5GA his "SUPER GREAT" rating. The website compiles claimed scores from sponsors and from 3830, presenting the information sorted in several useful ways. There are also sections for related comments, published videos, and side-by-side comparisons. Wow!

Another popular compilation, the 3830 CQ WW SSB Soapbox <http://www.eskimo.com/%7Emwdink/3830/> comment compilation is online as well! (Thanks, Dink N7WA)

OPERATING TIP

If you answer a CQing station and they respond with an error in your call, the most reliable way to be sure they have your call correct is to send only your call sign again and not the exchange. Don't send the exchange until the CQer responds with your correct call - then send your exchange.

==> TECHNICAL TOPICS AND INFORMATION

The Franklin array <http://www.aktuellum.com/circuits/antenna-patent/patents/242342.pdf> of half-waves in phase is common in ham radio VHF/UHF omnidirectional antennas but not many hams know that it was once popular, but difficult, in the AM broadcast industry <http://www.radiomagonline.com/media/ar/0701/107br0703lg.jpg>, as well. These required a serious amount of tower and property to put up and guy. (Thanks, Paul W9AC)

A recent online edition of EE Times included a nice EMC-basics design article <http://www.eetimes.com/design/analog-design> on battery charger designs from a standpoint of minimizing RFI. The article is a good introduction to EN standards, as well.

Don't toss those PL-259 backshells left over from removing a connector - put them to work! Cover and wrap the back end with tape or a plastic cap and you will have a nice screw-on water-resistant cover for an SO-239. It's not waterproof, but it sure helps!

The Case of the RF Disturbances <http://www.designnews.com/author.asp?section_id=1368&doc_id=235952&> is the latest tale of resolving radio-related rebellion from Design News magazine's Tales of Sherlock Ohms series. Get out the aluminum foil, Kenneth!

In a discussion of using external fans to provide extra cooling for amplifiers, it was pointed out that if the fan is in the exhaust (hot) air stream, avoid fans with blades that age or warp in the heat or that have oiled bearings.

One of the originals in the field, Radioshack <http://www.radioshackdiy.com/> is now selling DIY Arduino-based kits as part of "The Great Create" project for Do-It-Yourself projects. It is encouraging that so much attention is being paid to building electronics and other gadgetry - an excellent pathway to ham radio if we can get the word out!

In the latest edition of QRP ARCI's QRP Quarterly I noticed a neat method of homebrewing large air-wound coils <http://www.ad5x.com/images/Articles/CoilRevB.pdf> by Phil AD5X. It uses flexible grommet strips as the support structure with the result very similar to the B&W Miniductor product. Whether you prefer QRP or QRO, every issue of QRP Quarterly is jam-packed with building ideas applicable to nearly every shack and their contests are fun, too.

Kevin KI8IR notes that while, "it may be common practice with a lot of hams to refer to the PL-258 as a 'barrel' adapter but in the RF Test/Measurement world <http://www.microwaves101.com/encyclopedia/connectors.cfm> an adapter that is female on each end, such as the PL-258, is referred to as a 'bullet' and the male-male same-series adapters are referred to as a barrel." We learn something new every day!

Technical Web Site of the Week - Mike K5WMG has written and published a good paper <http://radio.n0gw.net/radio12.pdf> illustrating the effects of height-above-ground on vertical takeoff angle for beam antennas. It shows why a good "first tower" height of 50 feet works well and why higher performance antennas need that extra vertical "oomph".

==> CONVERSATION

Rather than get into semi-hemi-demi-quaverings of year-end auld lang syne waves (next time, I promise) it seemed better to print a repurposing of a tune I'm sure you'll recognize. You might also enjoy the work of Peter K3ZM as he adapts "My Favorite Things <http://lists.contesting.com/pipermail/3830/2011-December/238491.html>" to the view of a contester - nice job!

Ringin' In Your Ears

Steelied from the Dan's "Reelin' in the Years" by Dr Beldar

Your chance to make the Top Ten
You can see it fading fast
So you grab a channel on a
Band you think is gonna last
You wouldn't know an Eimac
If you held it in your hand
The things you think are useful
I can't understand

(CHORUS)
Is there ringin' in your ears
Callin' away the time
Is the frequency now clear
Or are you stealin' mine?

You been tellin' me you're a winner
Since you were seventeen
In all the time I've known you
You still haven't won a thing
The weekend in Aruba
Didn't turn out like you planned
The things that pass for know-how
I can't understand

Is there ringin' in your ears
Callin' away the time
Is the frequency now clear
Or are you stealin' mine?

I've spent a lot of money
And I've worked a lot of guys
The trip we made to KH6
Is etched upon my mind
After all the things I've tried to teach
You search and pounce the band

The way you run a pileup
I can't understand

Is there ringin' in your ears
Callin' away the time
Is the frequency now clear
Or are you stealin' mine?

73, Ward N0AX

==> CONTESTS

7 December through 20 December 2011

An expanded, downloadable version of QST's Contest Corral in PDF format <http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar> is available. Check the sponsor's Web site for information on operating time restrictions and other instructions.

HF CONTESTS

ARRL 10 Meter Contest--Phone,CW, from Dec 10, 0000Z to Dec 11, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 28. Exchange: RS(T) and State/Prov or serial. Logs due: Jan 11. Rules <http://www.arrl.org/contests>

ARRL Rookie Roundup--CW, from Dec 18, 1800Z to Dec 18, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28, 50. Exchange: Both calls, name, check, S/P/XE or "DX". Logs due: See web. Rules <http://www.arrl.org/contests>

28 MHz SWL Contest--Phone,CW, from Dec 10, 0000Z to Dec 11, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 28. Exchange: Log ARRL 10 Meter Contest QSOs. Logs due: Jan 31. Rules <http://swl.veron.nl/swlcontest.htm>

UBA Winter Contest--Phone,CW,Digital, from Dec 10, 1700Z - See website. Bands (MHz): 1.8-7. Multiple operating periods. Exchange: RS(T) and UBA section or serial. Logs due: 3 weeks. Rules <http://www.uba.be/en/hf/contest-rules>

AWA Bruce Kelly QSO Party--CW, from Dec 10, 2300Z - See website. Bands (MHz): 3.5,7. Multiple operating periods. Exchange: RST, Xmtr type, power, name. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.antiquewireless.org/>

SKCC Weekend Sprintathon--CW, from Dec 11, 0000Z to Dec 11, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Monthly on the second Sunday. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, SKCC nr or power. Logs due: 5 days. Rules <http://www.skccgroup.com/>

Great Colorado Snowshoe Run--CW, from Dec 11, 2100Z to Dec 11, 2259Z. Bands (MHz): 14. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, class, CQC number or power. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.cqc.org/contests>

NAQCC Monthly QRP Sprint--CW, from Dec 14, 0130Z to Dec 14, 0330Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14.Monthly on 2nd Tuesday or 3rd Wednesday local time (alternating). Exchange: RST, S/P/C, and NAQCC mbr nr or power. Logs due: 4 days. Rules <http://naqcc.info/>

CWops Monthly Mini-CWT Test--CW, from Dec 14, 1300Z - see website. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Multiple operating periods, twice monthly on 2nd and 4th Wed, 18 to 28 kHz above band edge. Exchange: Name and member number or S/P/C. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.cwops.org/onair.html>

Russian 160 Meter Contest--Phone,CW, from Dec 15, 2100Z to Dec 15, 2300Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8. Exchange: RS(T), serial, square ID (see website). Logs due: Jan 20. Rules <http://www.radio.ru/cq>

Feld-Hell Happy Birthday Sprint--Digital, from Dec 17, 0000Z to Dec 17, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Monthly on 3rd Saturday. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, Feld-Hell member nr. Logs due: 7 days. Rules <http://www.feldhellclub.org/>

OK DX RTTY Contest--Digital, from Dec 17, 0000Z to Dec 18, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST and CQ Zone. Logs due: Jan 15. Rules <http://www.crk.cz/ENG/DXCONTE.HTM>

RAC Winter Contest--Phone,CW, from Dec 17, 0000Z to Dec 17, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50,144. Exchange: RS(T) and province or serial. Logs due: Jan 31. Rules <http://www.rac.ca/en/rac/programmes/contests/>

Lighthouse Christmas Lights QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Dec 17, 0001Z to Jan 2, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50,144. Exchange: Serial or ARLHS number. Logs due: Jan 31. Rules <http://arlhs.com/>

Croatian CW Contest--CW, from Dec 17, 1400Z to Dec 18, 1400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RST and serial. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.9acw.org/>

Stew Perry Top Band Distance Challenge--CW, from Dec 17, 1500Z to Dec 18, 1500Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8. Exchange: 4-char grid square. Logs due: Jan 31. Rules <http://jzap.com/k7rat/stew.rules.txt>

Holiday Spirits Homebrew Sprint--CW, from Dec 18, 2000Z to Dec 18, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, ARCI number or Power. Logs due: Jan 3. Rules <http://www.qrparci.org/contests>

Run For the Bacon--CW, from Dec 19, 0200Z to Dec 19, 0400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Monthly on 3rd Sunday night (local). Exchange: RST, S/P/C, Flying Pig nr or power. Rules <http://www.fpqrp.org/>

VHF+ CONTESTS

ARRL Rookie Roundup--CW, from Dec 18, 1800Z to Dec 18, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28, 50. Exchange: Both calls, name, check, S/P/XE or "DX". Logs due: See web. Rules <http://www.arrl.org/contests>

NA High-Speed Meteor Scatter Contest--Digital, from Dec 11, 0000Z to Dec 15, 0200Z. Bands (MHz): 50-222. Exchange: Both calls, grid square, acknowledgement. Logs due: Jan 15. Rules <http://www.ykc.com/wa5ufh>

RAC Winter Contest--Phone,CW, from Dec 17, 0000Z to Dec 17, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50,144. Exchange: RS(T) and province or serial.

Logs due: Jan 31. Rules <http://www.rac.ca/en/rac/programmes/contests/>

Lighthouse Christmas Lights QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Dec 17,
0001Z to Jan 2, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50,144. Exchange: Serial or
ARLHS number. Logs due: Jan 31. Rules <http://arlhs.com/>

==> LOG DUE DATES

7 December through 20 December 2011

- December 10 - Wake-Up! QRP Sprint
<http://qrp.ru/modules/sections/index.php?op=viewarticle&artid=7&page=1>
- December 14 - JIDX Phone Contest
<http://www.jidx.org/jidxrule-e.html>
- December 15 - 10-Meter RTTY Contest
<http://www.rttycontesting.com/the10meterrttycontest/rules.html>
- December 20 - EPC PSK63 QSO Party
<http://eu.srars.org/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=66&Itemid=141>
- December 20 - LZ DX Contest <http://lzdx.bfra.org/rulesen.html>
- December 20 - ARRL EME Contest <http://www.arrl.org/eme-contest>

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1158. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.amateur.*

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-07 07:05:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/recruitment-1-1323241500@panix.com>
Source record: 3898
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/recruitment
Revision: 1.2 2009/11/25 14:41:01
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/

Changes followed by "|".

The rec.radio.info newsgroup, first established in 1993, has been
recently revived by an active moderation team. We are currently seeking
suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.amateur.* (and currently archived
at http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/ ):

radio/personal-intro
Subject: Guide to the rec.radio Newsgroups
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 9 Nov 2001 06:18:17 GMT
Posting-Frequency: 15th of each month

One significant omission, requiring immediate updates, for this article |
is that it does not mention newer amateur radio newsgroups created since |
it was written, including: |

rec.radio.amateur.antenna |
rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors |
rec.radio.amateur.dx |
rec.radio.amateur.equipment |
rec.radio.amateur.homebrew |
rec.radio.amateur.moderated |
rec.radio.amateur.space |

We are willing to provide any technical support necessary to get this
article updated and automatically posted again at a regular interval.
This would include establishing contact with the original maintainer for
any necessary permissions. We would prefer to seek a new, dedicated
maintainer at this time, rather than start auto-posting the original
article ourselves.

For more information about our newsgroup, see:
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http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

1159. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.swap

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-07 07:10:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/swap/recruitment-1-1323241800@panix.com>
Source record: 3899
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/swap/recruitment
Revision: 1.1 2007/09/29 18:42:57
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide

Changes followed by "|".

The rec.radio.info newsgroup, first established in 1993, has been
recently revived by an active moderation team. We are currently seeking
suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.swap (and currently archived at
http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide/ ):

radio/swap-guide
Subject: Rec.radio.swap FAQ: A Guide to Buying and Selling on Usenet
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 6 Nov 2001 19:25:51 GMT
Posting-Frequency: Monthly

We are willing to provide any technical support necessary to get this
article updated and automatically posted again at a regular interval.
This would include establishing contact with the original maintainer for
any necessary permissions. We would prefer to seek a new, dedicated
maintainer at this time, rather than start auto-posting the original
article ourselves.

For more information about our newsgroup, see:

http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.
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1160. WIANEWS for WEEK COMMENCING DECEMBER 11 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-08 10:57:05 UTC
From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
Message-ID: <da831820-6d06-4220-9538-cb170de368ed@smxsrv01.vintek.net>
Source record: 3900
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2011-12-11.mp3
Text edition:

WIANEWS - DEC 11 - VK NATIONAL NEWS

THE BEST NEWS YOU'LL GET ALL WEEK

Oh... and to contact us with your news because
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Email nationalnews@wia.org.au

http://www.wia.org.au (click news in member area) Submit your audio news

TWITTER http://twitter.com/VK1WIA

Please... If you are only submitting text and not audio, write your story as
you would expect to hear it being read back and NEVER send just links &
url's.

WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING DECEMBER 11 2011.

Hear from WIA Director VK3JNI Phillip Adams

What Good Is An F Call? Onno vk6flab discusses.

Col VK3LED with Rrrrewind.

THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING DECEMBER 11 2011.

A newly commissioned 3G mobile phone cell on Thursday Island was suffering
interference traced to foreign equipment operating on the wrong frequency
and not in accord with the Australian allocations.

Australian Communications and Media Authority Field Staff traced the interference
source to Hammond Island to the immediate north of Thursday Island.

A company there providing maritime services, with engineering support in the
Torres Strait, was using radio links that operated on Hammond Island and other
islands. These radio links had the capability of operation outside the correct
frequency range for the Australian Spectrum and it had developed a
communications error.

A warning notice was issued and the company rectified their radiocommunications equipment resulting in the radio links operating in the correct frequency range and the Optus interference to their 3G cell been resolved.

The issue of interference by radiocommunications equipment designed for other countries but operated within Australia continues to be a challenge for Field Operations and the ACMA.

It has in the past found long distance telephones operating on amateur and aeronautical frequencies and issues a warning to those buying as tourist overseas and online to make sure their purchase complies in Australia.

(ACMA VIA ARVICTORIA)

The ACMA proposes changes to radio services in Oberon and Ravenshoe

The Australian Communications and Media Authority is seeking public comment on proposed changes to radio services in Oberon, New South Wales, and Ravenshoe, Queensland.

The ACMA is proposing to make available:

FM frequency 101.5 MHz, with a maximum power level of 100 watts, for an in-fill transmitter for the 2BS commercial radio broadcasting service at Oberon

FM frequency 91.3 MHz, with a maximum ERP of 250 watts (W), for an in-fill transmitter for the 4AM commercial radio broadcasting service at Ravenshoe.

The ACMA also proposes to vary the frequency allotment plan to reflect the addition of those proposed in-fill transmitters.

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Good morning broadcast listeners;

I am pleased to announce that Bob, VK6POP has agreed to join the WIA National Field Day committee. Bob brings both a wealth of experience and the VK6 perspective to the national high profile publicity event.

The next WIA National Field Day is the weekend of 14 and 15 of April 2012.

Many new operators start out with a minimum of equipment and try their hand at the VHF or UHF Bands. One of the challenges that new operator to our bands face is that of geography. With low radiated power, the hills just always seem to be in the way.

The team lead by Peter VK3AJ, from the Scout Radio & Electronics Service Unit in Victoria have been quietly developing a UHF repeater network across the Dandenong Ranges that not only fills in many of the black spots in the hills, it also provides linked coverage to many of the growth areas of outer Eastern Melbourne. Known as the VK3 ScoutNET, the repeaters of VK3RAJ, VK3RSA and VK3RSB are permanently linked.

Plans are now underway to further extend this linking to provide a reliable network for both new and established operators who may wish to use the network. The network could also be utilized in times of an emergency in the coverage area

The team from the SRESU should be proud of this initiative.

I wish you Seasons Greetings and a Safe New Year.
This has been Philip VK3JNI for the WIA News.

This is Mal VK3FDSL

I wish to advise that the National Office of the WIA will close for the Christmas break at 4pm Melbourne time on Friday 23rd December. We will re-open at 10am Melbourne time on Monday 16th January 2012.

During that time no examinations or callsign recommendation applications will be processed nor book orders dispatched. Book orders placed after Monday 19 December are unlikely to be dispatched before the office reopens in January. Orders for exam packs received before 21 December will be dispatched before Christmas.

The Wireless Institute Of Australia extends to all radio amateurs very best wishes for the festive season

I'D SOONER BE FISHING

Every now and then members let us know they receive spam emails claiming to be from the WIA and wanting to obtain personal information, this sort of email activity is called PHISHING (pronounced fishing).

Phishing is a way that the bad people on the internet attempt to acquire information from us such as usernames, passwords and credit card details by claiming to be from a trustworthy entity (in our case the WIA). Customers of Banks and other financial institutions are typically the major targets of Phishing scams however they seem to have a go at people from any organisation including organizations like ours. So remember, should our WIA office staff ever need to verify your membership or personal details, they will contact you directly by telephone, never by unsolicited email.

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news
Email Address : r_demkiw@yahoo.com.au

Summary of coming events.

December

Oxley Region gathering on the 16th.
Waverley Christmas dinner on the 21st.
First of the Summer format morning only broadcasts from VK2WI on the 25th.

January

Oxley Region meeting on the 7th.
First foundation training day for 2012 at VK2WI on the 22nd.
Trash & Treasure, Homebrew & exams at VK2WI on the 29th.

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/
Police Roundup http://www.vicpolicenews.com.au/

The Centre Victoria RadioFest, Kyneton Racecourse on Sunday the 12th of February.

The major commercial traders have given it their endorsement.

Second-hand sellers like the event too because it is strategic location and low cost.

Perhaps you have unwanted equipment and bits of pieces now taking up space in your garage or a room at home? Then make a sales table or car-boot space booking now.

A warm invitation is also extended to all clubs and groups to be part of the popular Club Corner Precinct.

For more information do check out the home page of the Amateur Radio Victoria website www.amateurradio.com.au

The Centre Victoria RadioFest, Kyneton Racecourse on Sunday the 12th of February.

Points are contact are:

Commercial Traders Liaison, Barry Robinson VK3PV 0428 516 001

Second hand tables are space, Ross Pittard VK3CE 0408 533 107

Club Corner Precinct, Tony Hambling VK3VTH 0423 635 152

(Bruce Lees VK3FFF)

VK4 - QNEWS
Send your stories for news. SCRIPT to qnews@wia.org.au
send audio to http://www.wia.org.au/members/broadcast/upload/

get local audio news www.wiaq.com/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
get local news emailed qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

Welcome to QNEWS from VK4WIA. I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP, and I've been thinking.

Way back when milk was delivered unpasteurised, radio broadcasters largely depended on the telephone service for program relay to affiliated stations and from OB's. Then along came Sputnik and the amateur radio Oscars.
Moving along, Australia got on board by launching its own commercial satellites.
In the meantime amateur operators were pointing antennas at the sky and working the world using vhf through to microwave frequencies.

It was like magic when television footage circled the world in hours with the aid of satellite networks. Now actuality coverage of events is the norm rather than waiting for the aeroplane having to deliver cine film to illuminate previous radio and press reports.

In the mix of things, it was thought a good idea to relay broadcast material through satellites. It certainly provided benefits but as experience has shown, these extra-terrestrial relays are subject to fades from meteor showers and moisture attenuation.

The reliability of the old system was sacrificed, and as I understand it many of the networks have abandoned satellite relay for fibre-optic services.

I find it frustrating to lose programs on radio and/or TV because of rain falling on some remote ground station. Funnily the pay TV and the satellite internet services can be unaffected whilst I am hearing "we apologise for this break in service" messages. It demonstrates a lot of principles of signal propagation that we touched on when studying for our amateur tickets. Even the big boys don't get it right, at times.

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think....how about you.

TARC Project Night this Tuesday

This Tuesday December 13th the TARC Project Night will be happening at the Townsville Club Rooms atop SES HQ Green Street West End from 7-30pm.

This the last Project Night for the year and the last time you will be able to let the magic smoke out under controlled conditions in 2011.

All welcome !

(tarc)

DISCUSSION POINT

What use is an f-call?

Participation is a Promise made. Now what do I mean by that?

A little while ago I was listening to a conversation on HF, I cannot recall the exact band, but the conversation took in amateurs across much of the country. It had been going for about 20 minutes and a new participant, an f-call, asked for a transmission report from the assembled group.

The f-call, likely a new participant apologised for butting in and also commented that he was broadcasting outside his band - which at the time I checked and as far as I could tell, he wasn't. The group ignored the out-of-band comment and several dutifully and helpfully responded with their various signal reports but after about 5 minutes, the tone of the conversation changed and statements about power levels and abuse were being made. This turned into accusations about using excess power, about using 100 Watts to get across the country, about how an f-call was abusing the airwaves, mind you most of it was innuendo, nudge, nudge, wink, wink.

After about 15 minutes of increasing discussion a new station was heard, who commented that he had some 14,000 contacts on his books and that when his license was still drying he too had been accused of exceeding his legal 28 Watt limit.

Unbeknownst to him, several amateurs descended on his shack at the time, measured his output and found it to be 27 Watts. He pointed out that while there were

going to be cases where people exceeded their privileges, it shouldn't be the first thing that came to mind when a particular contact was made. The station also complemented the f-call on their setup and wished them well with their contacts.

His comments lasted for some 5 minutes and the group subdued almost immediately.

At the time I wondered if those who'd previously been accusing the f-call had forgotten what QRP, broadcasting with 10 Watts or less SSB, is all about and I wondered if there might be value in encouraging participation in QRP contests. In case you're wondering, an f-call is really a QRP station.

While I know how easy it is to change the power setting on my radio, and how easy it might be to get away with doing that, it doesn't mean that because you can, you will. Under the instruction of an advanced licensee I've changed the power setting on my radio as well, only to find that the extra power made little or no difference whatsoever.

I've played with antennas and noticed that it's not how much power you have, but what you do with it that determines the outcome of the contact. As I've said in the past, I've talked to the USA on 10 Watts in amazed reply to their 450 Watts.

I'm sure that there are times that extra power will get you where you need to go, but I think we should also remember that each of us, regardless of our license, has the ability to borrow, buy or build a massive amplifier and hook that up to our radio. Just because we can, doesn't mean we do.

Ultimately, you're in
control of your own radio and your own responsibilities and license conditions. You are ultimately the one who knows if you did the right thing or not.

Of course if you abuse your privileges, consequences will result.

I started with Participation is a Promise made. When you get your license and your kit and start broadcasting, you are participating in the Amateur Radio community. Your license stipulates that you shall only broadcast on certain frequencies, with a certain mode and power level. As a licensee, that's what you promise to do.

Let's give people the benefit of doubt and encourage their legal participation, rather than accusing them on-air about their perceived misdeeds.

I'm Onno, vk6flab

EDUCATION YOUTH AND ADVANCEMENT OF AMATEUR RADIO
www.hamcollege.com.au

The next Foundation course at VK2WI will be January the 22nd.

The assessments will then be held during the Trash and Treasure morning which is Sunday the 29th of January.

Details are to be found on the ARNSW web site www.arnsw.org.au under exams. Inquiries to education@arnsw.org.au or the office telephone 02 9651 1490 and leave contact details.

Next year there will be a total of six one day Foundation courses conducted at VK2WI - in the odd numbered months. There is expected to be a Standard and Advanced upgrade course during the year.

ARNSW Assessors will again be conducting all grades of license exams at the Central Coast Field Day at Wyong in February.

REAST Training, Education & Assessment

Four students from New Town High School have now gained their qualifications for their Foundation Licence. They are Jacob Nichols, Aleksandis Price, Matthew Iles and Brendan Coulson.

Congratulations and we look forward to hearing you on the air.

If you are interested in participating in this examination session in future then please contact learning organiser Reg VK7KK on 0417 391 607, immediately or email on regemm@ozemail.com.au.

(73, Reg VK7KK, REAST Education Officer and Assessor)

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART and the WW sources of the WIA.

Ham radio licenses hit an all-time high

The Sun Journal reports that aside from the latest smartphone, ham radio has become the newest trend in communication, reaching an all-time high of more than 700,000 licenses in the United States.

They say "For nearly 100 years, ham radios have been a reliable form of communication, allowing people to connect with others all around the world. They have come in especially handy in times of an emergency."

A Ham Radio Population Map by N0HR shows the countries of the world resized relative to the number of amateur radio licenses and is worthy of a quick peek.

More on this growth trend shortly in VK1WIA National News.

sunjournal.com/news/approved/0001/11/30/ham-radio-licenses-hit-all-time-high/1122718

See the Ham Population map at n0hr.com/ham_radio_population.htm

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

FOX NEWS REPORTS HAM RADIO GROWTH

Fox News reports on the boom in Amateur Radio licenses in the United States.

According to Fox, in October the FCC logged 700,314 licenses, with nearly 40,000 new ones issued in the last five years.

In her report Michelle Macaluso interviews John Pritchett W6JWK. She also shows an Amateur Radio Direction Finding competition. Her story is titled Radio Days Are Back: Ham Radio Licenses at an All-Time High.

You will find it on-line at
tinyurl.com/fox-ham-stats

ARRL TO RELEASE NEW VIDEO AIMED AT MAKER COMMUNITY ON DECEMBER 27

'The DIY Magic of Amateur Radio' is a new 8 and one half minute video from the American Radio Relay League to be released on Tuesday, December 27th. Its target audience is the world-wide maker and hacker community. Amateur Radio Newsline's Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, has more:

According to the ARRL, the show is directed toward the D-I-Y or Do It Yourself movement. This is a fairly new leisure time interest that is inspiring a whole new generation of techno hobbyists. It also could be a pool of future technologists who might want to become hams if they knew more about our hobby and that's the reason the new video was created.

To do this, Executive Producer Allen Pitts, W1AGP and Producer Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF brought together an all-star team consisting of several well known film makers along with some newcomers to ham radio movie making.

Directed by Hollywood's Dave Bell, W6AQ, the video which is titled "The Do It Yourself Magic of Amateur Radio" was recorded on location in Ohio, Texas, North Carolina, California, Utah and on-orbit aboard the International Space Station.

It's script was written by Henry Feinberg, K2SSQ, of West Orange New Jersey. Feinberg is a former producer of the award-winning Watch Mr. Wizard science television series. A winner of several Cine Golden Eagle awards, K2SSQ is also the ham radio operator who created the umbrella space communicator seen in the Steven Spielberg motion picture "ET the Extra-terrestrial."

The show is hosted by famed New York City based maker community leader and fashion designer Diana Eng, KC2UHB. Mark Abramovich, NT3V, serves as the show narrator.

Original music was provided by Andrew-John Huddleston, Oh-Zed-5-E, and his Denmark-based group "The Ham Band."

Dave Booth, KC6WFS, of Santa Clarita, California was the shows principal videographer.

According to the ARRL, the new video will be simultaneously released on its Facebook, Twitter and YouTube pages, and will be also be available at www.arrl.org. DVD copies for showing to large audiences in high definition 16 by 9 wide screen

and standard 4 by 3 definitions will be available at a later date.

For the Amateur radio Newsline, I'm Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, reporting from Zion, Illinois

Again that's Tuesday, December 27th at about 10 a.m. Eastern U.S. time for the release of the new ARRL video titled The Do It Yourself Magic of Amateur Radio. It's a magic carpet ride into a pair of techno-hobby worlds that compliment one another very well. (ARRL, DIY Production Team)

HAMS HEAR MARS SCIENCE LAB AS IT FLIES TOWARD MARS

The world's largest ever built extra-terrestrial explorer is on its way to Mars. The six-wheeled, one-armed robotic rover named Curiosity known officially as the Mars Science Laboratory blasted off from Cape Canaveral at 10:02 a.m. Eastern time on Saturday, November 26th. It was carried into space on board an Atlas Five launch vehicle.

The journey to Mars will take 8 months and cover 354 million miles.

Meantime a group of radio amateurs have received signals from the Mars Science Laboratory using an AMSAT DL amateur radio facility in Germany. Barely 7 hours after launch, the X-band telemetry signal from the lab was received using the ham radio station at the German AMSAT group's resource at Bochum.

This is believed to be the first reception of the Mars Science Laboratory outside of the NASA Deep Space Network. The signal, received by the ham operators was with the probe at a distance of 112,000 km from Earth. Telemetry said the enroute lab had a spin-modulation of +/- 3.5 Hz at 2 revolutions per minute.

The Mars Science Laboratory is expected to arrive at the red planet in August 2012 after a 9 month flight.

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2012

January 1-31 VK Ross Hull Memorial VHF UHF Contest

January 14-15 VK Summer VHF-UHF Field Day

March 17-18 VK JOHN MOYLE MEMORIAL FIELD DAY

May 5 VK/trans Tasman Contest 80 metres SSB

June 9-10 VK Shires Contest.

June 25 VK/trans Tasman Contest 160 metres SSB

July First full weekend NZART Memorial Contest

August 11-12 VK Remembrance Day Contest

August 18-19 WW International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend.

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

Notice to all 6 metre users.

Owing to an as yet unresolved interference issue at the repeater site,
the GGREC 6 metre repeater VK3RDD has now had CTCSS access enabled. The
frequency is 91.5Hz. Although most 6 metre users have radios with CTCSS
capability, GGREC apologise to those who will no longer have access to the
repeater without installing a tone encoder to their radios.

If they track down and eliminate the interference in the future, the access tone
may be disabled but as it is common these days to have tone access on repeaters,
it may be left on.

Comments to Albert
Vk3bqo@hubbatech.com.au

Ethiopian amateur radio club on the air from Addis Ababa until December 13th.

Activity will be from the ET3AA club station.

A team are installing antennas at the Addis Ababa University, administer VE Ham
Radio Examinations and the creation of the "University of Addis Ababa -
Technology Incubation Program (TIP)".

For the complete details, see:
http://www.k3lp.com/et3aa_december_2011.htm

LITHUANIA - SOUTH POLE - LY1??SP -

SPECIAL call sign LY1 ?? SP until Christmas Day 2011.
QRV on the HF bands using mainly CW. QSL to home call which is LY3BY.
This is celebrating the fact that in 2011 it is 100 years since Roald Amundsen
became the first man on the South Pole.

Reference number WAP-206. Again QSL via LY3BY.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ATV (Every pixel tells a story) - Video
arvideonews.com
hamradiotube.com
youtube.com
qdg.org.au

South East Queensland ATV group general meeting December 2011 saw the
Technical committee of the group propose the club builds a digital ATV
transmitter for the clubs ATV repeater VK4RMG at its current site using the
existing licenced allocation.

The proposal was passed and donations accepted towards the transmitter costs.

It was noted that the SEQATV group would welcome input from other interested radio clubs and that the Brisbane Digital ATV group is presently helping by providing a 1283 MHz input to their Digital ATV repeater VK4RKC.

(Alan VK4NA for the SEQATV group radio@iinet.net.au)

Just in time for the Holidays, Gary Pearce, KN4AQ, has created a video version of Clement Clark Moore's poem A Visit from St Nicholas -- more commonly known as The Night Before Christmas -- but Gary's version has a decidedly Amateur Radio twist.

With a guitar accompaniment by Don Mercz, WA3AYR, A Ham's Night Before Christmas features QST magazine covers, Gil cartoons and Christmas-themed QST advertisements from days gone by.

Google YouTube and KN4AQ or the ARRL's YouTube Channel.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c_9REVC4dtc

ARRL YouTube channel.

Also on YouTube look out for An Amateur Radio Christmas 2011 a video by Phillip Hamilton W4KTL presents a look back through the years at amateur radio and Christmas.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- IOTA
http://rsgbiota.org

AN-016, Antarctica:

Starting in December 2011 Felix, DL5XL, and Lars, DL1LLL, will be QRV as DP0GVN from the German Neumayer III Station (IOTA AN-016).

Felix is going back to Germany in February 2012 and Lars is preparing for the overwintering until Feb 2013.

QSL via DL5EBE (bureau/direct).

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ROAR
ROTARIANS OF AMATEUR RADIO
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Peter Lowe, VK3KCD ANZO VP
0600z - 0630z Anzo Net on 7115

Guglielmo Marconi Father of wireless, was an Honorary member of the club from 1933 to 1937 and it continues the tradition and honouring Marconi to this very day.
Now a' days among its honorary members is Marconi's Daughter, Princess Elettra Marconi.

4EB -- VK4EB Ted Gold the founder of the first commercial radio station in Queensland was Vice President of Toowoomba Rotary Club.

THE QNEWS WORK BENCH - the nuts and volts report - Measure Twice cut Once.

Scientists boost battery strength with small holes.

Batteries for phones and laptops could soon recharge ten times faster and hold a charge ten times larger than current technology allows.

Scientists at Northwestern University in the US have changed the materials in lithium-ion batteries to boost their abilities.

One change involves poking millions of minuscule holes in the battery.

Batteries built using the novel technique could be in the shops within five years estimate the scientists.

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REWIND

The First Municipal Electric Street Lighting in Australia Commenced in New South Wales in November of 1888.

Tamworth was the first town in Australia to be lit by electricity just 9 years after the invention of the incandescent electric light bulb.

The first lamps were Vacuum Carbon. In 1907 Electric lighting was made available to homes and shops supplied during the day from a battery charged overnight when the dynamos were run for the street lights.

The Tamworth PowerStation Museum was opened on 9th November, 1988, the centenary of the installation of electric lighting in Tamworth. It was the first Australian all electric museum and is housed in Tamworth's restored Municipal Electric Showroom building (built as the Tamworth Municipal Electricity Works in 1907) and a modern reconstruction of the original engine house for the Tamworth power station on its original site.

The "History and development of Electricity" is a unique feature of the Tamworth PowerStation Museum.

This includes a special pictorial display of the pioneers of electricity and their discoveries, leading to the modern electrical world we live in.

The Museum has special working displays including a generator that demonstrates the principle of Faraday's first dynamo, and a working installation of the electric telegraph - the first practical use of electricity.

The Museum has several exhibition areas displaying early electrical appliances used for washing, cleaning, heating, cooking, cooling and entertainment.

Sourced to vk2wi and Brian Kelly VK2WBK

SOCIAL SCENE 2012

15TH IARU REGION 3 CONFERENCE hosted by V.A.R.C. in Ho-Chi-Minh City, Vietnam.

JAN 23-FEB 17 YEAR 2012
World Radio Conference WRC-11 Geneva 23rd January TO 17th February 2012

FEB 12 VK3 CentreVictoria Hamfest, Kyneton Racecourse

FEB 26 VK2 CCARC WYONG FIELD DAY

APR 14-15 VK WIA National Field Day.

MAY 3-18 VK5 YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

MAY 5- 6 VK4 RADAR and MARC Clairview Gathering

MAY 25-27 VK3 WIA Annual Conference Mildura

JUN 8-11 VK4 FNNQARG! QLD Cassowary Coast

JULY 14 VK4 Wide Bay Hamfest. West Maryborough Scout Hall

NOV 12 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST (ROSEBUD BY THE BAY)

FINAL FINAL

FROM THE DELTA TO THE DMZ

Yan, XV4Y, in Mekong delta southern Vietnam, says that "conditions on 80m have greatly improved and in the last days good DX results showed my setup is not that bad."

Yan states, "During my spare time I will focus on 80m CW mainly to Japan, Pacific and North America around 1400z."

People who want to try work XV on 80m could follow twitter account XV4Y where he announces his DX schedule.

Yan's Twitter and Web page can be found at:
http://twitter.com/#!/XV4Y/followers
http://xv4y.radioclub.asia

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-08 20:34:26 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <59291.18736.qm@smtp107.sbc.mail.gq1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 3751
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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DXCC NEWS (DXCC and Russian Prefix Information). The following is from the ARRL Awards Blog Page at: http://www.arrl.org/awards-blog
"The DXCC Desk Clarifies Russian Prefixes Which Count for European Russia
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For the purposes of the DXCC and WAC awards, the following Russian prefixes count as European Russia:

Any call with the prefixes UA through UI and the numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7.

Any call with the prefix U and the numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7.

Any call with the prefixes RA through RZ and the numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7.

Any call with the prefix R and the numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7.

Exception:

Prefixes R, U, UA-UI, and RA-RZ, the number 2, and suffixes beginning with F or K, count as Kaliningrad. Also, some legacy calls such as UA2CZ are in Kaliningrad.

And from 1 December, 2011 forward, any QSO (with any date) with stations using the following prefixes, count for European Russia:

Any call with the prefixes UA through UI, or the prefix U, and the numbers 8, and 9, followed by a suffix beginning with the letters F, G, or X (Perm and Komi).

Any call with the prefixes RA through RZ, or the prefix R, and the numbers 8, and 9, followed by a suffix beginning with the letters

F, G, or X (Perm and Komi).

Since Russia joined CEPT, there are stations active with call signs that do not indicate DXCC entity, such as RA/N6TR who operated from Asiatic Russia, and RA/SM6LRR who operates from European Russia. These types of portable call signs will be managed individually in the DXCC system."

ET3, ETHIOPIA (ET3AA Youth Development Project; DX-Pedition 2011). Dave Collingham, K3LP, sent the following press release to OPDX on December 8th (edited):
"Good Evening DXers:
Our Team, David (K3LP - Team Leader), Paul (N6PSE), Al (K3VN) and Bill (N2WB) arrived at the Addis Ababa, Ethiopia International airport this morning at 7:30 AM, Thursday, December 8, 2011. Our amplifier, 1,000 feet of coax, power meters, 160 and 80 meter antennas and other items were all held in Customs until about 1:30 PM. After paying the required 65% tax fees for electronic equipment and providing a letter from the university, we now have all the equipment in hand.
Paul (N6PSE), Al (K3VN) and Bill (N2WB) arrived at Sid's home, had dinner and headed for bed. They plan to get up early and be on the air around 3:00 AM local time on Friday, December 9th.
I was able to set-up a laptop PC, CW Keyer and other equipment at the ET3AA university station and made about 50 QSOs on 10 meters CW about 1.5 hrs before local sunset. There was a nice opening to EU and NA at the same time. Stations were being heard and worked from W5, W8, W4, W3, W2 and W1 areas. I QRTed after a brief exchange of QSOs in order to complete more enhancements to the station.
On Friday, I plan is to install the 160 meter and 80 meter vertical antennas with the students. In addition, if time permits, we complete a 10 Meter 6 element Vee Beam at 70' that could be used during the 10 meter contest. We will have both the ET3SID and ET3AA stations on for the 10 meter contest.
I'll (K3LP) be on 160 meters Friday at Sunset thru Sunrise, 1.823 MHz for JA and 1.835 MHz. I'll be using the 500w solid-state amp. Depending on the activity, I may bounced to 80 meters CW for a few minutes. We were not able to get a large amp into the country during this time.
We'll see everyone on the band tomorrow.

Take care,
David -K3LP"

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1162. The ARRL Letter for December 8, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-08 21:39:13 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20111208201852.E739F26537@bmail.arrl.org>
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The last ARRL Letter and ARRL Audio News for 2011 will be published
Thursday, December 15. The ARRL Letter and ARRL Audio News will resume
Thursday, January 5, 2012.

==> + FCC NEWS: FCC COMMISSIONER MICHAEL COPPS ANNOUNCES RESIGNATION

On Monday, December 5, FCC Commissioner Michael Copps notified
President Obama that he would resign as Commissioner effective January
1, 2012. If the Senate does not confirm a successor prior to Copps'
departure, the FCC would be down to three commissioners: two Democrats
and one Republican. Only three sitting Commissioners may be members of
the same political party. At present, Chairman Julius Genachowski,
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Copps and Mignon Clyburn are Democrats. Robert McDowell is the lone Republican since Meredith Attwell Baker left the Commission in June 2010.

"Yesterday, I submitted to the President notice of my intention to resign my post as Commissioner effective January 1, 2012," Copps said in a press release <http://transition.fcc.gov/Daily_Releases/Daily_Business/2011/db1206/DOC-311361A1.pdf>.
"Should the Senate confirm my successor prior to that date, or should the Senate adjourn sine die <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Adjournment_sine_die> before January 1, I would of course be leaving sooner."

Copps has served as a Commissioner since May 2001. In January 2009, he took on the additional role of acting FCC Chairman, following the resignation of then-FCC Chairman Kevin J. Martin. Copps relinquished the chairmanship to Julius Genachowski after Genachowski was confirmed by the US Senate and sworn into office in June 2009. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-commissioner-michel-copps-announces-resignation>.

==> + ON THE AIR: NEW RULES FOR 60 METERS HAVE YET TO TAKE EFFECT

Last month, the FCC released <http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-releases-new-rules-for-60-meters> a Report & Order (R&O) detailing new rules for the 5 MHz (60 meters) Amateur Radio band. These rules have not been published in the Federal Register. In order to be official, the rules must be published in the Federal Register and will take effect 30 days after the publication date. Any radio amateur who is operating under the new rules before this time is in violation of the current rules. The official date for these new rules will be announced on the ARRL website as soon as the information is available.

==> + ON THE AIR: ROUND UP THOSE CW QSOS IN THE ARRL CW ROOKIE ROUNDUP

The ARRL's Rookie Roundup comes around again on Sunday, December 18. This time, the focus is on CW operation. The Rookie Roundup is an on-the air event is designed to help newly licensed amateurs build their HF and 6 meter operating skills. Similar to the ARRL Novice Roundup that ran from 1952 until 1995, the Rookie Roundup combines a competitive event with some on-the-air training, bringing fun and Elmering into the 21st century. Three Rookie Roundups -- SSB, RTTY and CW -- are held each calendar year: The CW running of the Rookie Roundup will take place Sunday, December 18 from 1800-2359 UTC. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/round-up-those-cw-qsos-in-the-arrl-cw-rookie-roundup>.

==> + WARM UP THIS WINTER WITH THE JANUARY 2012 ISSUE OF QST

The January issue of QST is jam-packed with all sorts of things that today's Amateur Radio operator needs. Our annual Do-It-Yourself (DIY)

issue has projects you can build this winter while you count down the days to the warm summer months. You'll also find product reviews, operating tips and upcoming on-the-air events that will start your new year off right.

If you're in the market for an easy-to-build -- and easy-to use -- VHF/UHF portable antenna, then look no further. In his article "A 2 Meter and 70 cm Portable Tape Measure Beam," John Portune, W6NBC, presents an antenna that will "measure up" when you want to work satellites or go transmitter hunting. When it comes to the family car, sometimes you need to be a bit discreet when installing your mobile rig, at least in the name of marital harmony. Thomas E. Nolan, W3EX, presents "A Low-Impact Mobile Installation," which offers a unobtrusive way to go mobile -- without looking like you've packed your complete shack in the car.

As you sit in front of the roaring fire, do your thoughts turn to your Novice days and the excitement and joy of working those first stations? Kim Johnson, KC0JQH, relives the memories in his article "Building a Dream Novice Station." Kim built his transmitter, receiver and voltmeter from plans in the 1963 ARRL Handbook. As hams, we have known for a long time how much fun it can be to build your own equipment -- and then use it to get on the air. ARRL Media and Public Relations Manager Allen Pitts, W1AGP, along with a slew of talented hams, has produced a video to be released December 27 that tells non-ham DIYers how Amateur Radio is the perfect activity for them. In his article "The DIY Magic of Amateur Radio," Pitts explains how Amateur Radio and DIY hobbyists make a wonderful fit.

QST Editor Steve Ford, WB8IMY, takes a look at the WiNRADiO WR-G31DDC Excalibur software defined receiver in this month's Product Review. He says this receiver "offers excellent performance. Despite the wealth of features found in the accompanying software, it's easy to set up and enjoy." ARRL Contributing Editor Howard Robins, W1HSR, checked out the AvMap G6 APRS navigation system, saying that it "builds on the success of the G4 and G5 [versions]. The new version is smaller and more capable than previous models, yet it is still easy to hook up and use." QST Technical Editor Joel R. Hallas, W1ZR, test drove the TE Systems 1410G 2 meter linear amplifier. "This is a very nice amplifier in terms of construction and operation," he writes, although "there is some room for further optimization of its preamp configuration and transmit IMD levels."

Of course, there are the usual columns you know and expect in the January QST: Happenings, Hints & Kinks, The Doctor Is IN, Technical Correspondence, How's DX, Vintage Radio and more. Look for your January issue in your mailbox. QST is the official journal of ARRL, the national association for Amateur Radio. QST is just one of the many benefits of ARRL membership. To join or renew your ARRL membership, please see the ARRL Web page <https://www.arrl.org/join-arrl-renew-membership/>.

==> SUPPORT ARRL: RENEWED IRA PROVISION ON CHARITABLE GIVING MAKES IT EASY TO SUPPORT ARRL THROUGH 2012

In December 2010, President Obama signed the Tax Relief, Unemployment Insurance Reauthorization and Job Creation Act of 2010 <http://taxes.about.com/b/2010/12/20/the-tax-relief-act-of-2010-income-tax-provisions.htm> (HR 4853 <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/BILLS-111hr4853enr/pdf/BILLS-111hr4853enr.pdf>) into law as Public Law 111-312. This law provided sweeping changes to the rules that govern federal estate taxes, gift taxes and generation-skipping transfer taxes. The law authorized those individuals who are at least 70.5 years old to donate up to $100,000 from their Individual Retirement Account directly to a qualified charity -- such as the ARRL -- in a Trustee-to-Trustee transfer; this charitable gift would not have to be reported on a tax return (no IRA income is reported and no charity deduction is reported). This keeps the giver's adjusted gross income lower and avoids any adjustments in Medicare premiums. The provisions in HR 4853 have been extended for two years and will expire on December 31, 2012.

Individuals who are interested in supporting the ARRL using this vehicle should consult their tax and/or financial advisors to determine the impact of such a gift. "This is the perfect time of year for members who qualify and are in a position to consider a direct contribution to the ARRL," said ARRL Chief Development Officer Mary Hobart, K1MMH. "Such gifts may support the Spectrum Defense Fund <http://www.arrl.org/spectrum-defense-fund>, the Education & Technology Fund <http://www.arrl.org/education-and-technology-fund>, the W1AW Endowment Fund <http://www.arrl.org/w1aw-endowment-fund> or one of the other ARRL permanent funds <http://www.arrl.org/list-of-permanent-funds>."

==> + NOMINATION DEADLINE APPROACHING FOR ARRL INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN AWARD

The deadline to nominate an amateur or group of amateurs for the 2011 ARRL International Humanitarian Award is coming up -- December 31, 2011. This award is conferred upon an amateur or amateurs who demonstrate devotion to human welfare, peace and international understanding through Amateur Radio. The League established the annual prize to recognize Amateur Radio operators who have used ham radio to provide extraordinary service to others in times of crisis or disaster.

As one of the few telecommunication services that allows people throughout the world from all walks of life to meet and talk with each other, Amateur Radio spreads goodwill across political boundaries. The ARRL International Humanitarian Award recognizes the Amateur Radio Service's unique role in international communication and the assistance amateurs regularly provide to people in need. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/nomination-deadline-approaching-for-arrl-international-humanitarian-award>.

==> AMATEUR RADIO IN SPACE: FASTRAC-1 SATELLITE DIGIPEATER ACTIVE

As of 1600 UTC December 2, the FASTRAC-1 satellite (FO-69) is open for use as a packet radio digipeater. Anyone with a 1200 baud packet TNC and a VHF/UHF FM transceiver can try it. If you own satellite tracking software <http://www.amsat-na.com/store/category.php?c=Software>, you'll find the latest orbital elements on the FASTRAC Web site <http://fastrac.ae.utexas.edu/for_radio_operators/users/phpBB3/predictedorbit.php>.
FASTRAC-1 receives at 145.825 MHz and transmits at 437.345 MHz. The digipeater alias is FAST1. To connect to ARRL Headquarters station W1AW through FASTRAC-1, for example, you would send the following packet:

C W1AW VIA FAST1

Reports of your results are welcome via e-mail <fastracsats@gmail.com>, or at the FASTRAC Facebook page <http://www.facebook.com/fastracsats>.

==> + ON THE AIR: SPECIAL PREFIXES ON TAP FOR CANADIAN STATIONS THIS MONTH

If you are a prefix hunter, take note: Stations in Canada will be sporting new prefixes <http://www.rac.ca/en/amateur-radio/regulatory/callsigns/special-event.php>. To celebrate the 75th anniversary of the CBC and Radio Canada, radio amateurs in Canada have been granted permission to use special prefixes for the month of December. Hams with call signs beginning with VA may use the prefix VG; those call signs beginning with VE may use VX; hams whose call signs with a VO prefix may use XJ, while call signs beginning with VY may use XK. -- Thanks to The Daily DX <http://www.dailydx.com/> for the information

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "I've seen sunny days that I thought would never end <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-T35WXFOmwI>" Cook, K7RA, reports: Eight new sunspot groups appeared over December 1-7, with the average daily sunspot number for the week rising more than 9 points to 133.9. The verage daily solar flux also rose exactly 19 points to 156.5. The latest forecast from USAF/NOAA has solar flux at 150 on December 8, 155 on December 9-10, 150 on December 11-12, 145 on December 13-14, 150 on December 15, 160 on December 16-18, and 155 on December 19-22. The planetary A index for the same dates is expected to be 5 on December 8-10, 8 on December 11, and 5 on December 12-22. Geophysical Institute Prague sees a quiet week ahead, with quiet conditions December 9-11, quiet to unsettled December 12 and quiet again on December 13-15. Conditions should be good for the ARRL 10 Meter Contest <http://www.arrl.org/10-meter> this weekend. Look for more information on the ARRL website on Friday, December 9. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by James Taylor's Fire and Rain

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fire_and_rain>.

==> + SILENT KEY: SPACE PIONEER JACK TOWNSEND, W3PRB (SK)

John W. "Jack" Townsend, Jr, W3PRB, of Cabin John, Maryland, passed away October 29 due to complications from lung cancer. He was 87. Townsend -- an ARRL member -- was a rocket and satellite pioneer who was influential in creating the first meteorological, communications and Earth viewing satellite systems. He joined NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center <http://www.nasa.gov/centers/goddard/home/index.html> in 1959 and later served as its Director from 1987-1990.

In 1949, Townsend joined the US Naval Research Laboratory as a research physicist, instrumenting V-2 <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/V-2> rockets (captured from Germany at the end of World War II), Viking <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Viking_%28rocket%29> and Aerobee <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Aerobee> sounding rockets for upper air research. When NASA was created in 1958, he transferred with his Branch and the Vanguard Project <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Vanguard_project> into the new agency, becoming Chief of its Space Sciences Division. He helped form NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center, and became the Assistant Director for Space Science and Satellite Applications. Townsend was named Deputy Director of Goddard Space Flight Center in 1965 and continued to serve in that capacity until 1968. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/space-pioneer-jack-townsend-w3prb-sk>.

==> QRP GROUP OFFERS FREE KIT BUILDING SERVICES TO HAMS WITH PHYSICAL LIMITATIONS

Members of the Four States QRP Group (4SQRPG <http://www.4sqrp.com/index.php>) -- a group of kit aficionados centered in Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma and Arkansas -- are offering kit building services at no charge to hams who, due to physical limitations, need assistance with building. Hams who wish to have kits built for them need to visit the 4SQRP website and purchase one or more of the six kits offered <http://www.wa0itp.com/4sqrpkitindex.html>. "This is a free service," 4SQRP Member Terry Fletcher, W0ITP, told the ARRL. "The builders donate their time, skill and knowledge. Their only motivation is to help needful hams."

==> THIS WEEK ON THE RADIO

This week:

- December 9 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- December 10-11 -- ARRL 10 Meter Contest <http://www.arrl.org/10-meter>; CWops Mini-CWT Test; International Naval Contest
- December 11 -- SKCC Weekend Sprint; CQC Great Colorado Snowshoe Run
- December 11-18 -- NA High Speed Meteor Scatter Winter Rally
- December 14 -- NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint; NAQCC-EU Monthly Sprint
- December 14-15 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

Next week:

- December 16 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder; Russian 160 Meter Contest;
AGB-Party Contest
- December 17 -- OK DX RTTY Contest; RAC Winter Contest; Feld Hell
Sprint
- December 17, 2011-January 1, 2012 -- Lighthouse Christmas Lights QSO
Party
- December 17-18 -- Stew Perry Topband Challenge; Croatian CW Contest
- December 18 -- ARRL Rookie Roundup (CW)
<http://www.arrl.org/rookie-roundup>; QRP ARCI Holiday Spirits Homebrew
Sprint
- December 19 -- Run for the Bacon QRP Contest

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest
Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update
<http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest
Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more
information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out
the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page
<http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- January 8, 2012 -- ARRL New York/Long Island Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/new-york-long-island-section-convention-ham-rad
io-university-2012>,
Bethpage, New York
- January 27-28, 2012 -- ARRL Mississippi State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/mississippi-state-convention-capitol-city-hamfe
st-1>,
Jackson, Mississippi
- February 4, 2012 -- ARRL Virginia State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/virginia-state-convention-frostfest-2012>,
Richmond, Virginia; ARRL South Carolina State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/south-carolina-state-convention-1>,
Ladson, South Carolina
- February 10-12, 2012 -- ARRL Northern Florida Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/northern-florida-section-convention-orlando-ham
cation-1>,
Orlando, Florida
- February 17-18, 2012 -- ARRL Southwestern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southwestern-division-convention-1>,
Yuma, Arizona
- February 18, 2012 -- ARRL Arkansas Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arkansas-section-convention-1>, Hoxie,
Arkansas
- February 25, 2012 -- ARRL Vermont State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/vermont-state-convention-ham-con-2>,
South Burlington, Vermont

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-09 00:50:06 UTC
From: "tholen@antispam.ham" <tholen@ifa.hawaii.edu>
Message-ID: <65ee00a9-2569-45c9-bc9c-d828abfbc62e@k23g2000yqa.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3753
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy,alt.usenet.kooks

Fred Hall <fkhall@gmail.com> writes:

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alt.test,rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy,alt.usenet.kooks

175> The most intelligent and truthful post you've made in
years.Tholen

What does your inability to comprehend other more recent intelligent
and truthful postings from me have to do with alt.test,
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175> No doubt

What does your lack of doubt have to do with rec.radio.amateur.misc,
alt.slack,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy,alt.usenet.kooks,
Hall?

1164. Re: shownatovah

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-09 01:07:59 UTC
From: % <persent@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <r_2dnfuJuqWWw3zTnZ2dnUVZ_g-dnZ2d@giganews.com>
Source record: 3754
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy,alt.usenet.kooks

tholen@antispam.ham wrote:
> Fred Hall <fkhall@gmail.com> writes:
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> 175> Newsgroups:
> alt.test,rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy,
alt.usenet.kooks
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> 175> The most intelligent and truthful post you've made in
> years.Tholen
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> What does your inability to comprehend other more recent intelligent
> and truthful postings from me have to do with alt.test,
> rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack,comp.os.os2.advocacy,
> rec.radio.amateur.policy,alt.usenet.kooks, Hall?
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> alt.slack,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy,alt.usenet.kooks,
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nothing has anything to do with anything ,
we all just post to these groups to make you go nuts ,
works pretty good don't you think

1165. Re: shownatovah

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-09 02:21:18 UTC
From: "tholen@antispam.ham" <tholen@ifa.hawaii.edu>
Message-ID: <9d11dc12-aa2c-4d32-97ba-be9bd358452d@q9g2000yqe.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3755
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack,comp.os.os2.advocacy,rec.radio.amateur.policy,alt.usenet.kooks

"%" <persent@gmail.com> writes:

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rec.radio.amateur.policy,alt.usenet.kooks, persent?

22> we all

On what basis do you speak for "we all", persent?

22> just post to these groups to make you go nuts ,

What does your peculiar emotional need to try (and fail)
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postings have done a pretty good job of demonstrating your
childishness, persent.

1166. Re: shownatovah

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-09 02:42:06 UTC
From: % <persent@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <OaCdnWL9re-G6XzTnZ2dnUVZ_qSdnZ2d@giganews.com>
Source record: 3756
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack,comp.os.os2.advocacy

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> "%" <persent@gmail.com> writes:
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> rec.radio.amateur.policy,alt.usenet.kooks, persent? Your
> postings have done a pretty good job of demonstrating your
> childishness, persent.

nothing at all i just do it to add to my post count and piss you off , win /
win ,
and staying young is always a good thing so childish let me be

1167. Re: shownatovah

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-09 04:17:33 UTC
From: Zaia <snakesbloodpussycat@yahoo.com>
Message-ID: <0cb8b661-04d0-45ef-87d6-d6415d14701e@r13g2000prr.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3757
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack,comp.os.os2.advocacy

On Dec 8, 7:42 pm, "%" <pers...@gmail.com> wrote:
> tho...@antispam.ham wrote:
> > "%" <pers...@gmail.com> writes:
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> > alt.usenet.kooks, persent?

to make someone go nuts it helps to go nuts at the same time.

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Julian

1168. Re: shownatovah

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-09 04:32:02 UTC
From: % <persent@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <ldGdnbLCV4hAEHzTnZ2dnUVZ_rudnZ2d@giganews.com>
Source record: 3758
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack,comp.os.os2.advocacy

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>>> alt.usenet.kooks, persent?
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> to make someone go nuts it helps to go nuts at the same time.

everybody go nuts

1169. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1791 - December 9 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-09 10:00:15 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20111209100004.F0F6333C8E@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3759
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1791 - December 9 2011

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1791 with a release date of
Friday, December 9th, 2011 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Utah hams are called up as winds cause
emergency dispatch communications delays; the FCC grants secondary use
status to micro-power medical networks at 70 centimeters; an
Afghanistan broadcaster becomes an intruder on 40 meters and an old
holiday poem is revisited from a ham radio point of view. Find out the
details are on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1791 coming
your way right now.

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RESCUE RADIO: UTAH HAMS ASKED TO ASSIST AFTER SHERIFF DISPATCH CENTER
OVERLOAD

Ham radio operators were called out to assist authorities after the
Davis County Utah Sheriff's dispatch service suffered a communications
overload. We have more in this report:

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As a wind storm swept across the city of Bountiful, Utah, on Thursday,
December 1st, the local sheriff's office soon found its emergency
response dispatch system overloaded. At times precious minutes were
being wasted as operators tried to contact units in the field only to
find their messages delayed. That's when Davis County Sheriff's
Lieutenant Brad Wilcox decided to call in some assistance from the
local ham radio community. Contacted was Gary Johnson, N7DND, of the
Davis County Amateur Radio Club who picks up the story from here:

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N7DND: "When he said that the telephone system and the UCAN system
were becoming saturated with phone calls and emergencies, he wanted a
backup. So he asked us to activate."
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It took Johnson only a short time to get an information net established
on the club repeater with a total of 18 hams responding. The next step
was to find out where they were needed and the jobs they might be
required to do:

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N7DND: "I asked the Sheriff what were his first needs and his first needs were for two people to come to the Sheriff's Office and go to the ecomm room and act as people who would work with him and the Sheriff's Office to pass health and welfare traffic. So that was about 10 in the morning and it evolved from there."

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And evolve it did. Again Gary Johnson, N7DND:

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N7DND: "There were 18 operators that took part. I continued to be Net Control and worked through that as we needed to. About 1 p.m. I turned Net Control over to another amateur at our local hospital and then I went down and assumed the responsibility with Bountiful city and activated the people that I needed to in order to take care of their health and welfare needs.

"The net went on until about 16:00 Utah time. At that point the Sheriff released us to go back to work for our owqn served agencies. The next morning we started at around 8 a.m. and we were working again until about 5 p.m. that night. 17:00 hours that at night."

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The hams were activated a third time on Sunday, December 4th to provide communications assistance for volunteers from the local L-D-S church took on the arduous task of cleaning away numerous fallen tress. Johnson says that the ham radio communications team assisted in the dispatch of people to the locations where they were needed and directed the trucks loaded with storm debris to the dump areas. Johnson says that by early evening the clean-up was complete and the ham radio volunteers were able to stand down.

With a hearty congratulations to the hams of Davis County Utah on a job well done I'm Don Carlson, KQ6FM in Reno.

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The work performed by the volunteer ham radio operators was featured in a news report on K-S-L television in Salt Lake City. The story titled Ham Radio Come to the Rescue During Utah Wind Storm. You can see it on line at tinyurl.com/utah-windstorm-hams. (ARNewsline(tm))

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RESCUE RADIO: NO HAMS FOR MUMNBAI INDIA DISASTER SERVICE

DNA India reports on the lack of amateur radio operators for a ham radio emergency communications system set up in Mumbai. Amateur Radio Newsline's Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, has more:

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The DNA India news report says that in order to enhance its emergency communication system the Brihan Mumbai Municipal Corporation or B-M-C has established ham radio stations at its headquarters and several other sites that it oversees. The only problem is that so far the B-M-C has not been able to find anyone to operate them.

To remedy this situation the B-M-C decided to send 40 of its disaster control operators for free amateur radio training. Now the six-month course has come to an abrupt end with no new operators produced by the effort.

An official speaking on condition of anonymity told the newspaper that the course to obtain an Indian ham radio license is very technical. It's actually part of a radio engineering program that normally takes two years to be completed. But the same training was being imparted in span of six months and making it all but impossible to grasp. The article infers that as a result of the complexity of the training that there were few who actually completed it.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, Im Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD near Pittsburg, Pennsylvania.

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According to the DNA India article, even those who are able to pass India's ham radio exam still face other hurdles. It notes that the Indian amateur radio licensing system seems to be plagued with bureaucracy. After passing the licensing test it can take 12 to18 months for government officials to process the license application. More is on-line at tinyurl.com/India-emcomm-hams. (Southgate, DNA India)

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FCC NEWS: FCC GRANTS SECONDARY SERVICE ALLOCATION TO WIRELESS BROADBAND MEDICAL MICROPOWER NETWORKS

Ham radio will soon be sharing the 70 centimeter band with micro-power medical devices.

At its regular meeting on Wednesday, November 30, the four-member FCC Commission unanimously agreed to allocate spectrum and adopt service and technical rules for the utilization of new implanted medical devices that operate on 413 to 457 MHz spectrum. These devices will be used on a secondary basis as part of the Medical Data Radiocommunication Service in Part 95 of the FCC rules.

According to the FCC, these devices would greatly expand the use of functional electric stimulation to restore sensation, mobility and function to those persons with paralyzed limbs and organs; they would be implanted in a patient and function as wireless broadband medical micropower networks or MMN's.

These new rules are the result of a Notice of Proposed Rule Making that the FCC released in March 2009. A Report & Order that will define

these new rules is expected soon.

As hams already know, the Amateur Radio Service in the United States also has a secondary allocation on the 70 cm band from 430 to 450 MHz. While it's unlikely that these flea power devices will bother very many radio amateurs, its unknown what affect ham radio will have on the ability of these devices to share spectrum with hams or any other users of the entire 413 to 457 MHz 70 centimeter allocation. (FCC, ARRL)

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INTRUDER WATCH: NATIONAL RADIO AFGHANISTAN ON 40 METERS

Uli Bihlmayer, DJ9KR, reports that National Radio Afghanistan is operating on 7 point 2 MHz in the amateur Radio 40 meter band. DJ9KR says via the IARU-Region 1 website that he monitored the station on November 28th as being centered on 7200 kHz and covering 7195 through 7205 kHz with its audio sidebands.

DJ9KR says that the best way to handle this situation is to inform your nation's telecommunications agency if you are suffering interference from National Radio of Afghanistan and ask them to file an international complaint. Another recommended procedure is to file a report with the Intruder Watch coordinator in your nation. (IARU-R1 Website)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: ISS SHADOW BEACON EXPERIMENT POSTPONED

The recently announced Plasma Thrust space "Shadow-beacon" experiment using amateur radio has been postponed until after the delivery of a new rig next April. This, because of a problem with the current gear on-board the orbiting outpost.

Sergey Samburov RV3DR, of the Russian space corporation "Energia" is among those responsible for amateur radio operations from the ISS. He says that the onboard radio was self switched onto the standard simplex frequency of145.825 MHz instead of the required duplex 144.360 / 145.825 MHz digipeater mode because of the old age of the gear. It has been in use more than 10 years.

Samburov says that a new radio is planned to be delivered to the ISS by cargo vehicle in April. Because of this, Mission Control Center plans to hold the "Shadow-beacon" sessions in May or June of 2012. Look for more space related ham radio news items later on in this weeks report. (ARISS)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the KC4HAZ

repeater network serving all of Central Florida.

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RADIO LAW: NEW EAS RULES BEFORE THE END OF 2011

According to Radio World Consultant Gary Timm's AWARE Forum Blog reports that the new EAS rules may be out by the end of this month. Amateur Radio Newsline's Jim Damron, N8TMW, reports:

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In his postings postings Timm writes that based on two recent informal conversations with FCC staffers it was stated that the FCC intends to release its revised Emergency Alert System rules covering the use of the Common Alerting Protocol in EAS alerts by the end of 2011.

The FCC had released its proposed EAS Common Alerting Protocol rules last May 26th and has been considering the public comments it received on those proposed rules since that comment period closed on August 4th. The regulations will likely be the final EAS Common Alerting Protocol rules stated in an FCC Report and Order, and no further comment will be accepted on those implemented rules.

>From Charleston, West Virginia, I'm Jim Damron, N8TMW, reporting.

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Timm writes that despite the follow-up investigation of problems involving last months national EAS test, the commission still feels it can meet its year-end target for release of the new rules. (CGC, B&C, others)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC AFFIRMS TWO FINES FOR UNLICENSED OPERATION

The FCC fined two people for unauthorized operations of a radio station. In the first case the regulatory agency affirmed an earlier proposed $15,000 monetary forfeiture issued to John E. Criteser, Jr.. This, for operating an unlicensed transmitter on 95.1 MHz in Lake Park, Florida. The agency said in its decision that Criteser did not respond to an October notification.

In the second matter, the commission reaffirmed an earlier $10,000 fine against Neil Davis for operating an unlicensed transmitter on 96.1 MHz in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Davis too, did not respond to the initial Notice of Apparent Liability and that's why the FCC escalated the penalty to the level of forfeiture.

Both Criteser and Davis were given the customary 30 days to pay or to file an appeal. If they fail to respond this time their cases may be turned over to the Justice Department for collection. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: FLORIDA CABLE COMPANY FINED FOR MULTIPLE INFRACTIONS

Still in Florida, the FCC has affirmed a $25,000 monetary forfeiture issued to St. George Cable, Inc which is the operator of the cable television system in St. George Island, Florida, for willful and repeated violation of sections 11.35(a), 76.605(a)(12), 76.611(a), and 76.1801 of the Commission's rules. The alleged violations involved St. George's failure to install Emergency Alert System equipment; operation of its cable system with excessive signal leakage; and failure to register its cable system with the Commission.

This past September 30th the Enforcement Bureau's Tampa Office issued a Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture in the amount of $25,000 to St. George based on the then alleged violations. To date St. George has not filed a response. Based on the information before it, the FCC now says that it has affirmed the forfeiture and given the company the customary 30 days to pay the fine or to file an appeal. (FCC)

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TELECOMMUNICATIONS NEWS: THREE CABLECASTERS GIVE UP CREATING THEIR OWN WIRELESS NETWORKS

Cable companies Comcast, Time Warner Cable and Bright House Networks are giving up on their idea of creating their own wireless network. On Friday, December 2nd the three cable giants announced that that they have agreed to sell their wireless licenses to Verizon Wireless and will instead become resellers of the Verizon Wireless service.

Cable companies have long held the ambitions to open a second service to challenge frontrunners AT&T and Verizon by setting up their own wireless networks. In the meantime, some of them have partnered with Sprint Nextel and Clearwire to offer wireless service. The deal between Comcast, Time Warner Bright House Networks with Verizon will net the three cable delivery service providers some $3.6 billion dollars. The complete story is on-line at tinyurl.com/wireless-cable-deal. (Published news reports)

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RADIO LAW: SPECTRUM AUCTION BILL APPROVED BY HOUSE COMMUNICATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE

A follow-up to last weeks story on a House Communications Subcommittee Spectrum Auction bill. In a 17 to 6 vote the Republican version of the spectrum incentive auction measure that would give the FCC the authority to pay broadcasters for voluntarily giving up spectrum to be auctioned for broadband use has been approved. The measure, backed by Subcommittee Chairman Greg Walden, W7EQI, of Oregon also contains a funding clause to help broadcasters left behind for moving or sharing channels and the establishment of a nationwide interoperable emergency communications network.

That $3 billion measure is three times as much as Democrats were proposing in their version. The bill will now go to full committee for markup, where Democrats said they hoped they could negotiate compromises, though they got no promises from the Republican majority.

A separate Senate bill has passed the Commerce Committee and is awaiting a floor vote. If both are approved and signed into law by President Obama, the ensuing auction is projected to return at least $15 billion to the treasury for deficit reduction after paying out all the expenses for the projects and reimbursements contained in the bill. (B&C)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: COPPS TO STEP DOWN AS FCC COMMISSIONER

FCC Commissioner Michael Coops has notified President Barack Obama that he plans to resign as an FCC Commissioner effective January 1, 2012. Amateur Radio Newsline's Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, has the details:

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Michael Copps is one of the longest seated FCC Commissioners. He has served in that position since May 2001 and in January 2009, he took on the additional role of acting FCC Chairman. That, following the resignation of then-FCC Chairman Kevin Martin. Copps voluntarily relinquished the chairmanship to Julius Genachowski after the latter was sworn into office in June 2009.

His public letter of resignation gave no reason for his departure from the FCC, however Copps indicated that he plans to speak about broadband expansion and other issues as a private citizen. Copps has long been a vocal critic of media consolidation. In 2010 he was the only commissioner to vote against Comcast's takeover of NBC Universal.

If the Senate does not confirm a successor prior to Copps' departure, the FCC will be meeting with only three commissioners. At present, Chairman Julius Genachowski, Commissioner Mignon Clyburn and the departing Copps are Democrats. By law, only three of the five Commissioners may be members of the same political party.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, watching the politics in D.C. from Zion, Illinois.

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Since June 2010 when Meredith Attwell Baker left the Commission, Robert McDowell has been the lone Republican commission member. (Published news reports)

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HAMVENTION NEWS: NO INCREASE IN FLEA MARKET SPACE COST IN 2012

The Dayton Hamvention has announced that Flea Market vendor space cost will not be changing in 2012. All in-aisle Flea Market vendor spaces

will still be $70.00 each with end of aisle spaces remaining at $100.

Also, ham radio clubs can rent 4 spaces in a row or front to back, excluding end spaces, for $100. This after providing they supply proof that the club exists at time of payment.

Also those making club purchases are advised to do so directly with the Flea Market Sales Office and not on-line. This is because the Flea Market Committee will have to adjust the prices before your payment is made.

For more information please contact the committee by e-mail to fleamarket (at) Hamvention (dot) org (Hamvention)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: 2012 QCWA NATIONAL CONVENTION TO TAKE PLACE IN RENO NEVADA

The first Western states Q-C-W-A National Convention in been over a decade will take place September 24th through the 27th in Reno, Nevada. The venue selected is the Harrah Hotel and Convention Center which is located in downtown Reno which is less than a block from the underground Amtrak train station. It also provides free shuttle service to and from the Reno International airport.

The convention is being hosted primarily by the Northern California Chapter 11 which is at this time soliciting assistance from other Western states QCWA groups. To volunteer your service or for more information on this upcoming event please contact the conventions chair by e-mail to WB6IMX (at) ATT (dot) net. (QCWA)

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HAM HAPPENINGS SATELLITE ARC CELEBRATES ITS 50th ANNIVERSARY

While this is short notice, the Satellite Amateur Radio Club at Vandenberg Air Force Base in California, will be celebrating the 50th anniversary of the club and OSCAR-1 which it was formed to support in 1961. Operation will be on Saturday December 12th from 6:00 AM to 9:00 PM Pacific time. The call to listen out for is W6AB using SSB on 80 through 10 meters. QSL information can be found on QRZ.com page for W6AB. (KA6BFB)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: NEW VERSION OF ROS RELEASED

A new version of ROS data software has released by author Jos&#65533; Alberto Nieto Ros, EA5HVK. The updates include improved performance for High Frequency N-V-I-S communications.

Also, as of December 1st the code structure of ROS HF was changed in order to support mid to low band NVIS propagation. Versions prior to 6.8.4 will be incompatible with the latest version. There is no change to the Medium Frequency and E-M-E modes. You can download the new version of ROS from rosmodem.wordpress.com/2011/01/10/ros-2. (ROS)

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TECH TIP: A FREE ACCESSORY FOR YOUR iPHONE 4S

According to photographer and news photo-journalist Tony Buittitta, KD6AJG, your Apple ear buds can also be used as a cable release for the new iPhone 4S while using it as a camera. Tony says that you simply plug the supplied ear buds into the iPhone, launch the camera app, steady the shot using your favorite stand then squeeze the + button on the ear buds. Your iPhone 4S will take shot that is as steady as a rock. Tony adds that the best part is, the cable release comes included in the box. He says that this tip is especially great for long exposures. (KD6AJG)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: NASA TO COVER ALL ASPECTS OF NEXT CREW TO ISS LIVE

NASA Television will cover Expedition 31 pre-launch activities, launch and docking to the International Space Station orbital laboratory during the next several weeks.

Expedition 30 NASA astronaut Don Pettit, KD5MDT, Russian Soyuz Commander Oleg Kononenko, RN3DX and European Space Agency Flight Engineer Andre Kuipers, PI9ISS are scheduled to launch on Dec. 21st at 7:16 a.m. Central Standard Time from the Baikonur Cosmodrome in Kazakhstan. Their trip to the I-S-S will take two days. They are set to dock to the station at approximately 9:20 a.m. on Friday, December 23rd.

Pettit, Kononenko and Kuipers will join Expedition 30 Commander Dan Burbank, KC5ZSX, Russian Flight Engineers Anton Shkaplerov and Anatoly Ivanishin, who have been on the station since November 16th. The three will remain on the station until May as members of the Expedition 31 crew.

For a complete schedule of streaming netcast times please visit www.nasa.gov/ntv. (NASA)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: FASTRAC 1 NEEDS YOUR HELP

The FASTRAC satellites have been in operation for more than a year and the team has been able to get a lot of data from them. But over the last month the team noticed that one of FASTRAC-1's on board microcontrollers which controls one of the experiments has not been booting up correctly. The team has done everything possible to correct this issue apart from turning it off which can only happen if the batteries fall below a specific charge level.

Since the satellites have been power positive throughout this whole year the only way this can happen is if the satellites transmit more often. Given that one of FASTRAC goals has always been to eventually provide a platform for amateur radio enthusiasts to use after the primary mission was over, the team has decided to open up FASTRAC-1 to the amateur radio community with the hope as more people use it to digipeat through the satellite, the battery levels will diminish and cause a hard reset of the microcontrollers on board.

The satellite is configured so that hams were able to begin using it to digipeat on December 2nd. To increase the chances of causing a hard reset, it was requested that as many amateur radio enthusiasts as possible try to digipeat through the satellite on the weekend of December 10th.

If you are successful at digipeating through the satellites or have any problems doing so please let us the team know by e-mail to fastracsats (at) gmail (dot) com or via the Facebook page www.facebook.com/fastracsats. (FASTRAC)

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RADIO IN SPACE: NEW WEATHER SAT TO COVER WEST COAST

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration has a new weather satellite covering the west coast. GOES-15, which was launched last May has completed its certification process and is replacing the old GOES-11 in a fixed orbit over the Pacific Ocean located in a geostationary orbit midway between the U.S mainland and Hawaii.

GOES is an acronym that stands for Geostationary Operational Environmental Satellite. Originally slated for a five-year mission, GOES-11 has been serving meteorologists since 2000. Animation of the new GOES-15's water vapor imagery is available at tinyurl.com/goes-15

(NOAA)

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In DX, an operation from Clipperton Island is being planned by the Cordell Expeditions for next year. Operations using the call TX5Q are expected to take place between March 10th and 15th of 2012. QSL's will be via N7CQQ.

SM6CPY will be active as 9X0PY from Rwanda between December 24th and January 7th, 2012. His operation will be holiday style on all bands but with a focus on 20 through 10 meters QSL to his home callsign, direct or via the bureau.

Seven Spanish amateur radio operators will be on the air active as AO1POL during the 9th Antarctic Activity Week between February 20th and the 26th, 2012. Their operation will be on 160 through 10 meters, including the 30, 17 and 12 meter bands. Modes to be use include CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via EA1GHT.

KH0UY and KH0K will be operational from Saipan in the Northern Mariana Islands between January 7th to the 10th. Their activity will be on 80 through 6 meters, plus the satellites. QSL via their home callsigns of JO3FRH and JE4SMQ, either direct or by the bureau.

Lastly, WA0ROI will be active as stroke WP2 from St. Croix through December 13th. QSL to WA0ROI, direct, via the bureau or electronically using Logbook of the World.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: A HAMS NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS FROM KN4AQ

Just in time for the Christmas season, Gary Pearce, KN4AQ, of Amateur Radio Video News has created a video version of Clement Clark Moore's poem The Night Before Christmas. But Gary's version has a decidedly Amateur Radio twist. With a guitar accompaniment by Don Mercz, WA3AYR, "A Ham's Night Before Christmas" features QST magazine covers and Christmas-themed advertisements from days gone by. We asked Gary how it all came about:

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KN4AQ: "Years ago; back in the early 1990's the first two lines of the poem ".twas the night before Christmas and through 2 meters, not a signal was keying up any repeaters' just ram over abd over and over through my head. I didn't any of the rest of the poem written at that time. And for several year I thought `.I've go to do this."

"And then I was talking to a friend of mine about this and she volunteered to get me the rest of the poem. And I transcribed the lines from the original Clement Clark Moore poem into the ham radio version.

"I think my version goes on longer than the original. I have not looked at them side by side. I performed it at a local radio club for several years just live in front of the club. Finally I recorded it at an audio studio I work at."

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So how did it go from a poem to a video? Again, Gary Pearce KN4AQ:

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KN4AQ: "Last year I got a Christmas present from another friend; a ham who did the guitar accompaniment and I thought that would make a perfect accompaniment. And I thought that would make a perfect background to the poem. So I put them together.

"Then I thought `.well I do video for a living and I really need to make a video out of this one. So what can I use for pictures? I really cannot afford to go out and shoot pictures. I can't get actors. Animation would be cool but that's expensive and time consuming. And then I thought that QST often does a Christmas oriented cover for their December issue. And I know people at QST and Ill ask permission, and they did. But there were not enough of them, so I thought that I will go for the ads as well. The ads are often Christmas themed. So I pulled those out.

"I edited it together and I found a surprising number of images that fit the poem pretty well."

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So KN4AQ used his skill as a video editor and produced a video that we think could easily go viral and become a true ham radio holiday classic. If you want to enjoy a few minutes of seasonal joy, you can watch Gary's video is on-line at tinyurl.com/KN4AQ-Night-Before-Christmas. (KN4AQ)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

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Please don't forget that Tuesday morning, December 27th, is the kick-off of the ARRL's new Do It Yourself public relations campaign and the release of the video "The DIY Magic of Amateur Radio." More on this will be on-line at www dot arrl dot org as the date approaches.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editor's desk, I'm Jim Davis, W2JKD, in Vero Beach, Florida, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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1170. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 11th December 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-09 16:00:13 UTC
From: Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk
Message-ID: <20111209160004.0172733C8E@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3760
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 11th December 2011

The news headlines:

* Distance Learning for the Advanced Exam

* AMSAT-UK net news

* GB2RS news broadcasts over Christmas

Following the successful conclusion of the June to December distance learning course with the Advanced exam last Monday evening the Bath-based team are planning to do it all over again. There are over 40 names on the waiting list already, but there is room for more; the last course started with 64 students and eight tutors. The next virtual course will start at the end of January and head for the July exam. The exam can be sat either in Bath or at a local exam centre. There are no fees for the classes but students will need a copy of the RSGB Advance! textbook and will, of course, need to pay the exam fee of £37.50. The team are considering changing a deposit that will be refunded to those that see the course through to the end; those that drop out donate their deposit to a radio charity. How does it work? Each week, students will receive guided reading instructions and revision questions to test recollection and/or understanding. Tutors will mark e-mailed answers and will provide worked solutions in return. Tutors will also provide points of clarification on request. The material is supplemented by additional exercises and video demonstrations on YouTube. Further details can be had from Steve Hartley, G0FUW, who is QTHR, listed on www.QRZ.com and can be emailed via G0FUW@tiscali.co.uk.

The AMSAT-UK net is held every Sunday morning at 10am local time on 3.780MHz LSB plus or minus QRM. The net is open to all and anyone wishing to find out more about amateur satellite operating is welcome to call in. Recording of previous nets can be heard at http://tinyurl.com/AMSATnet.

The last GB2RS script for this year will be dated 18 December 2011. There will be no GB2RS scripts prepared for 25 December and 1 January, although some newsreaders may wish to conduct news nets with their regular listeners. GB2RS News will recommence on 8 January 2012. The RSGB would like to take this opportunity to thank the dedicated band of newsreaders for another year of service to the amateur radio community.

It looks like the AO-51 amateur radio satellite that was in orbit and serving the world-wide amateur radio community for the better part of 7 years has finally gone QRT. The last telemetry data received had indicated that the third of six batteries that power AO-51 was approaching a short circuit condition. Further observation indicated the voltage from three remaining cells was insufficient to power the UHF transmitters. The command team will regularly attempt communications with the satellite over the coming months as there is always the possibility that a cell will open from its short circuited state and make AO-51 useful once again. And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

Saturday 17 December sees the 10th Waters and Stanton annual Christmas open day, which is sponsored by Yaesu UK Ltd. Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society, Essex CW Club, RSGB rep Mark Sanderson and staff from Yaesu will be in attendance.

Friskney & East Lincolnshire Communications Club's mid-winter tabletop sale and auction will take place on 3 January at the Friskney Village Hall, Church Road, Friskney, Lincolnshire PE22 8RR. The event includes the special event station GB2YR. Doors open 7pm and entry is £1.50. Tables are 2 for 1 at £4 and there will be free tea & coffee. Details from Ian Donnelly, 2E0XOD, 07554 362 020.

Now for the news of special events

We have no details of special events for the forthcoming week.

And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

AH0AJ will be active as KG4AJ from Guantanamo Bay for the next two years. QSL only via his home callsign.

Pierre, HB9AMO is back in Haiti until 8 January. He will be active as HH2/HB9AMO. The operation will be CW only using a TS-50 into a wire antenna and tuner. QSL info is via PA7FM.

Peri, HB9IQB will be active as E44PM from Palestine for a couple of weeks starting on 16 December. He plans to operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 10 to 40 metres with a focus on CW and 12, 17 and 30 metres. QSL via his home callsign, direct or bureau and LoTW. Further information, log search included, can be found at www.hb9iqb.ch/palestine.html.

Now the contest news

The 432MHz UK Activity Contest takes place on 13 December from 2000 to 2230UTC. Using all modes, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The RAC Canadian Winter Contest takes place on the 17th. There are nine entry categories with various power levels, single- and multi-op, CW- and phone-only, multi-single and multi-multi. A certificate is awarded to the top scoring station in each DXCC entity, so several could be awarded to UK stations. Running for the full 24 hours using CW and

`phone only on the 1.8 to 144MHz bands, the exchange is signal report and serial number, although Canadian stations will give their Province code as well.

On 20 December, the 1.3GHz UK Activity Contest takes place from 2000 to 2230. Using all modes, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator. And now the solar factual data for the period from the 28th of November to the 4th of December, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on the 5th of December.

The solar disc had numerous sunspot groups visible every day, some small and others larger that produced small C class solar flares every day. Interestingly, the majority of sunspot groups for the last few months have been located in the northern hemisphere. Several erupting filaments also took place and produced coronal mass ejections, but none headed our way. Solar flux levels increased steadily from 138 units on the 28th to 164 by the 4th. The average was 151. The 90 day solar flux average on the 4th was 144, that's three units up on last week. X-ray flux levels varied little day to day and averaged B5.5 units. Geomagnetic activity was quiet to just unsettled every day. The most disturbed day was the 30th with an Ap index of 10 units. The average was Ap 7 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds 370 and 500 kilometres per second. Particle densities increased to 24 particles per cubic centimetre on the 29th and 20 on the 2nd. The remaining days densities were low. Bz varied no more than between minus 12 and plus 10 nanoTeslas.

And finally the solar forecast. Looking at the latest images from the STEREO Behind spacecraft shows a large `active region' that will be in view by the time this report is broadcast. Therefore, solar activity could be at least moderate levels or even higher provided the group is still active. Solar flux levels should be around the 170's for most of the period. Geomagnetic activity is expected to be quiet every day unless a coronal mass ejection heads our way. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be well above 30MHz for the whole of the UK. Darkness hour lows should be a around 10MHz. Paths this week to South America should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of approaching 40MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 32MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 1100 and 1600 hours.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your

transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS On Monday 12 December Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is holding its Christmas draw & Leta's buffet. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Monday 12 December South Birmingham Radio Society is having a field day planning meeting. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Monday 12 December Stratford Upon Avon District Radio Society is holding a test equipment evening with John, G0JUQ. Contact G0CHO, on 01608 664 488.

On Monday 12 December Sutton Coldfield Amateur Radio Society is holding a general meeting with discussions and is on the air. More information from Robert Bird, by email to spirit.guide@hotmail.co.uk.

On Tuesday 13 December Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 13 December Forest of Dean Amateur Radio Group is having a talk on CASHOTA and delta loops by Chris, M0DOL. Details from Adrian Lane, 2E0SDR, on 01594 549 110.

On Tuesday 13 December Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is having a fun quiz night. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Tuesday 13 December Mid-Warwickshire Amateur Radio Society is holding its Christmas meeting. Details from Don, G4CYG, on 01926 424 465.

On Tuesday 13 December Worcester Radio Amateurs Association is having its Christmas meal. Details from Rich Moles, M0UVA, via email to secretary@m0zoo.co.uk.

On Tuesday 13 December Wythall Radio Club is holding a committee meeting. Details from Colin, M0GJM, on 07598 540 507.

On Wednesday 14 December Lincoln Short-Wave Club is hosting a Bob Heil Workshops, to be carried out via a live video link from Bob's home in the States on to a large screen in Aisthorpe Village Hall. There will be a microphone provided to ask Bob questions. Visitors are welcome, Light refreshments will be provided and there will be a cover charge of £1. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Wednesday 14 December Midland Amateur Radio Society is holding its Christmas party and 80th birthday exhibition. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003. On Wednesday 14 December South Kesteven Amateur Radio Society is having its last informal evening of the year. Contact Nigel, M0CVO, on 01476 402 550.

On Thursday 15 December South Birmingham Radio Society is having training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 01214 581

603.

On Friday 16 December Bromsgrove & District Amateur Radio Club is having a review of the year. Contact Chris, M0BQE on 01905 776 869.

On Friday 16 December Coventry Amateur Radio Society is having a curry night. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

On Friday 16 December Leicester DX Group is having its Christmas party at the Winstanley Arms. Contact Ellen, M0HEL, on 07902 626 920.

On Friday 16 December South Birmingham Radio Society is holding its Christmas party. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Friday 16 December Worcester Radio Amateurs Association is having a beer and skittles night at Good Rest Tavern. Details from Rich Moles, M0UVA, via email to secretary@m0zoo.co.uk.

On Saturday 17 December Lincoln Short-Wave Club is in the shack. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND On Monday 12 December Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is holding its Christmas dinner. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 12 December Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is holding an auction. More information from J Duddington, G4BFH, on 01253 853 554.

On Tuesday 13 December Chester & District Amateur Radio Society is having its Christmas social. Contact Bruce Sutherland, M0CVP, on 01244 343825.

On Tuesday 13 December Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on how not to be a Tony Hancock by Paul, G8SJA from the Calderdale RAYNET group. Details from Anthony Vinters, G0WFG, on 01422 822636.

On Tuesday 13 December Stockport Radio Society is holding its AGM. More information from Nigel Roscoe, on 07973 312 699.

On Wednesday 14 December Hambleton Amateur Radio Society is holding a junk sale. More information from Tony Wilson, G3MAE, on 01609 881 530.

On Wednesday 14 December Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is having its Christmas party. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Thursday 15 December Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air and having a club night. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 07876 085 631. On Thursday 15 December South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having a talk on GPS vehicle tracking by Chris, G8KRG. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Friday 16 December East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is on the air. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND On Monday 12 December Greenisland Electronics Amateur Radio Society is on the air on 2m. Details from Peter Lowrie, MI5JYK, by email to mi5jyk@rsgb.org.uk.

On Tuesday 13 December Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club is holding its Christmas dinner. Contact Brian, MI0TGO, via email to muarc.secretary@yahoo.co.uk.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday 13 December Kilmarnock & Loudoun Amateur Radio Club is having a club night. Contact Graham, MM3GDC, by email to mm3gdc@btinternet.com.

On Tuesday 13 December Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having an operating evening. Details from Norman, on 07740 946 192.

On Wednesday 14 December Lothians Radio Society is having its Christmas meal. Contact Andy Sinclair, by email to secretary@lothiansradiosociety.com.

On Thursday 15 December Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is having five minute talks. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663.

On Friday 16 December Ayr Amateur Radio Group is having its Christmas dinner. Details from Tom Ferguson, GM1OST, on 01292 532 088.

On Friday 16 December Borders Amateur Radio Society is having its Christmas dinner. Details from MM0YLG on 07944 912 751.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA On Monday 12 December Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting at Danbury Village Hall. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Monday 12 December Coulsdon Amateur Transmitting Society is holding its AGM. Details from Steve Beal, G3WZK, by email to secretary@catsradio.org.

On Monday 12 December Felixstowe & District Amateur Radio Society is having its Christmas noggin, video & mince pies. More information from Paul, G4YQC, by email to pjw@btinternet.com.

On Monday 12 December West Kent Amateur Radio Society is holding its Christmas social, to which non members are welcome to attend. Details from Keith, G4JED, via email to westkentars@googlemail.com. On Tuesday 13 December Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Tuesday 13 December Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is holding its club net from 8.30. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Tuesday 13 December East Kent Radio Society is having its Christmas dinner. Details from Karl Davies, M1DFM, on 01227 710 120.

On Tuesday 13 December Harwell Amateur Radio Society is holding its AGM. Contact Malcolm, G8NRP, on 01235 524 844.

On Tuesday 13 December Verulam Amateur Radio Club is having its Christmas bun fight. Ralph, G1BSZ, 01923 265572, g1bsz@aol.com

On Wednesday 14 December Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is holding its Christmas party at the QTH or Roger, G3MEH. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday 14 December Fareham & District Amateur Radio Club is visiting the HMS Collingwood radio museum. More information from Derek Clarkson, G4JLP, on 01329 823 405.

On Wednesday 14 December Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is holding its Christmas party. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Wednesday 14 December South Essex Amateur Radio Society Club is having a social and radio night. Details from Dave, G4UVJ, on 01268 697 978.

On Wednesday 14 December Southgate Amateur Radio Club is holding its AGM. Contact David Sharp, M0XDS, by email to david.sharp1@tesco.net.

On Wednesday 14 December Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its Christmas party. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816 684.

On Thursday 15 December Colchester Radio Amateurs are having their Christmas social. More information from Kevan, 2E0WMG, on 07766 543 784.

On Thursday 15 December Cray Valley Radio Society is having Christmas drinks. Details from Malcolm Bryan, G8MCA, on 07906 433 965.

On Thursday 15 December Horndean & District Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night and social evening. Contact Stuart, G0FYX, on 02392 472 846.

On Thursday 15 December Horsham Amateur Radio Club is having a social evening at The Red Lyon, Slinfold. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk.

On Thursday 15 December Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a club night at the shack. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564 242.

On Friday 16 December Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is holding its Christmas quiz. Contact Peter, G4AKG, on 01444 239 371.

On Friday 16 December Radio Society of Harrow is having its Christmas social. More information from Linda, G7RJL, on 02083 868 586. On Friday 16 December Wey Valley Amateur Radio Group Club is having its Christmas jolly. Details on the web at www.weyvalleyarg.org.uk.

On Saturday 17 December Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society is having its Christmas buffet. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 02085 021 645.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST On Tuesday 13 December Mid Somerset Amateur Radio Club is having a mince pies and quiz evening. Contact Nick, M6NJB, on 01749 346 320.

On Tuesday 13 December Plymouth Radio Club is having its traditional Christmas dinner. Details from Chris, M0ZCP, on 07834 767 161.

On Tuesday 13 December West Devon Radio Club is holding its Christmas party & quiz night, to which non members are welcome. Further information from Jules Cuddy, M1AGY, on 01752 291 588.

On Wednesday 14 December Exeter Amateur Radio Society is holding its Christmas party at the Moose Centre. Contact Nick, 2E0NRJ, on 01363 775 756.

On Wednesday 14 December Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Thursday 15 December Cornish Radio Amateur Club is holding a workshop evening and Christmas party. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844 939.

On Thursday 15 December South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is holding its Christmas social. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

On Thursday 15 December Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is holding an activity night. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Thursday 15 December Yeovil Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the Eddystone 888 amateur radio receiver by G7LNJ. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk.

On Friday 16 December North Bristol Amateur Radio Club is having a video evening. More information from Dick on 01454 218 362.

On Friday 16 December Torbay Amateur Radio Society is holding its Christmas party. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES On Tuesday 13 December Wrexham Amateur Radio Society is having its Christmas meal. Details from Carl Morris, MW0TBB, by email to tydraig@wrexham-ars.co.uk.

On Friday 16 December Newport Amateur Radio Society is having its Christmas buffet and is on the air. More information from Ross Clare, GW3NWS, on 01633 880 146.

1171. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #1039.3

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-10 04:03:20 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <646649.3999.qm@smtp111.sbc.mail.mud.yahoo.com>
Source record: 3761
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network and K3LP for the following DX information.

ET3, ETHIOPIA (ET3AA Youth Development Project; DX-Pedition 2011). Dave Collingham, K3LP, sent the following press releases to OPDX on December 9th (edited):

Good Evening DXers:
I got the 160 meter antenna up today, 127' vertical (abt 5 ' L at the end) with four ground radials 128' each.
I also sent an email to Igor (UY5LW) and Yarik (UW7LL) asking them to join our team this evening through the weekend to expand radio and amplifier count.
We have a perfect SWR on 160 meters and noise level is about S7-8.
Our goal for the ACOM 2k or 1010 was not possible due to security.
I was able to bring and pay tax on a 500w solid-state amp (Ameritron) ALS-500M. It works fine on 15, 20 and 40, but only 200w on 80 & 160.
Real bummer! I've install earth ground on radio, amp and all power supplies. Still the same issue.
If Igor arrives this evening, we'll put their amp on 160. If not, it's going to be 200w on 80 & 160 m until we resolve issue.

David - K3LP

Hello DXers:
The 160 and 80 meter bands exhibited the typical large city noise - 20+ noise level. I installed a 400' beverage with no success. It looks like the best time is going to be at sunrise (5:30 AM to 6:30AM local) and sunset. The noise level reminded me of what I experienced for two days in Iraq (YI9) 1 year ago.
Since the ET3AA license is issued to a specific location, it's not an option to find a remote location. This morning (Saturday - Dec. 10), our team heads to the university to administer the student exams (Qty 58

tech, 34 general and 5 extra).
Paul (N6PSE), Al (K3VN) and Bill (N2WB) have been active each day
from Sid's QTH as ET3SID.
Igor (UY5LW) and Yarik (UW7LL) will arrive today at 1:00 PM local
time, they will be part of our team through Monday morning. I'll have
them get on the air as ET3AA with me with a second rig around 2:00 PM
today.
We look forward to more 10 meter QSO's - I was able to work North
America about an hour before and half hour after our sunset.
I know everyone is looking for 160 and 80 meters. We'll try a few
more tricks today to try and make it happen.

Take care,
David - K3LP

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1172. online form filling jobs

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-10 04:50:59 UTC
From: brisk brisk <6brisk@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <a6767a4f-b73c-4214-bec0-de48875b7937@n22g2000prh.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3762

online from filling jobs
http://onlinejobsprocess.weebly.com/

1173. online form filling jobs

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-10 04:51:29 UTC
From: brisk brisk <6brisk@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <fcb6ee8d-a07f-4979-baf5-7bb8fa123467@b14g2000prn.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3765

online from filling jobs
http://onlinejobsprocess.weebly.com/

1174. online form filling jobs

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-10 04:51:55 UTC
From: brisk brisk <6brisk@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <73848a3c-5ad3-49fb-b7fe-082f930c6b89@h37g2000pri.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3763

online from filling jobs
http://onlinejobsprocess.weebly.com/

1175. online form filling jobs

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-10 04:52:57 UTC
From: brisk brisk <6brisk@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <4cd70a62-a58c-4e0a-9aff-a101388d05b6@u10g2000prl.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3764

online from filling jobs
http://onlinejobsprocess.weebly.com/

1176. SARL News in English 10/12/2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-10 18:10:46 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <D7B7E1647987434E842373BA0BA56D1D@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 3766
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SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 11 DECEMBER 2011

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Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 and 3,695 MHz SSB.

(PAUSE)

In the news today:

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LOGBOOK OF THE WORLD FACILITIES

NATIONAL RADIO AFGHANISTAN INTRUDES ON 40 METRES

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting items.

SOME 40 SARL MEMBERS MISSING FROM THE ICASA RECORDS

Colin de Villiers, ZS6COL, has been working on bringing the SARL and ICASA records in line. During the process some 40 members were found to be on the SARL records that are not in the ICASA Data base. Technically speaking these persons are using their call signs illegally.

At the SARL - ICASA quarterly liaison meeting held on Thursday 8 December ICASA agreed to send emails to the affected persons requesting that they complete an application form for an amateur license and to submit the completed form as soon as possible. This will enable ICASA to correct their records. If you receive such an email from ICASA during next week please respond as quickly as possible.

Several other issues were discussed and will be fully reported on in the SARL Update to members which will be sent via email to all members during next week and will be posted on the web after that.

FASTRAC 1 NEEDS YOUR HELP

The FASTRAC satellites have been in operation for more than a year and the team has been able to get a lot of data from them. But over the last month the team noticed that one of FASTRAC-1's on board microcontrollers, which controls one of the experiments, has not been booting up correctly. The team has done everything possible to correct this issue apart from turning it off which can only happen if the batteries fall below a specific charge level.

Since the satellites have been power positive throughout this whole year the only way this can happen is if the satellites transmit more often. Given that one of FASTRAC goals has always been to eventually provide a platform for amateur radio enthusiasts to use after the primary mission was over, the team has decided to open up FASTRAC-1 to the amateur radio community with the hope, as more people use it to digipeat through the satellite, the battery levels will diminish and cause a hard reset of the microcontrollers on board.

To increase the chances of causing a hard reset, it is requested that as many amateur radio enthusiasts as possible try to digipeat through the satellite on this weekend

If you are successful at digipeating through the satellites or have any problems doing so please let us the team know by e-mail to fastracsats@gmail.com. Frequency and information on how to digipeat can be found on the Facebook page www.facebook.com/fastracsats.

LOGBOOK OF THE WORLD FACILITIES

Times they are a-changing. The majority of South African DXers have already learned the joys of confirming new countries through the Logbook of the World. Instead of waiting for months or years like in the olden days, most of us now wait days or weeks for confirmations. And it is free! DXCC applications are now routinely processed within a week.

Unfortunately, LotW currently only makes provision for the ARRL's DX Century Club (or DXCC), Worked All States and VHF/UHF Century Club (or VUCC). Support for other awards is still being implemented.

Several South Africans are now actively chasing US States using LotW confirmations only. Participants include ZS2DL, ZS2EZ, ZS2Y, ZS4TX and ZS6EZ. Most of them have already completed several bands and modes.

For other awards, paper cards are still mostly required. Tjerk Lammers ZS6P, the League's Awards Manager, can check cards for most awards, including DXCC. CQ Magazine awards, including Worked All Zones, can be checked by Donovan van Loggerenberg, ZS2DL, or Chris Burger, ZS6EZ. Contact them directly for more information.

You can see a list of South African award holders on zs6ez.org.za/lists.

A great thanks to Tjerk, Donovan and Chris for their, also free, unselfish service to fellow radio amateurs.

NATIONAL RADIO AFGHANISTAN INTRUDES ON 40 METRES

Uli, DJ9KR, reports that National Radio Afghanistan is operating on 7 200 kHz covering 7 195 through 7 205 kHz with its audio sidebands. Please monitor the station and send reports to Fred Scheepers whose email address is zs1fcs@telkomsa.net.

SARL OFFICE HOLIDAY CLOSURE

The SARL office will be closed over the Christmas and New Year weekend from 23 December. The office will open again on 3 January 2012.

GIVE A BOOK AS A CHISTMAS PRESENT

Last week SARL News gave details of the new 2012 ARRL Handbook and the new Antenna Books. They are still available in hardcover. The SA Amateur Radio Development Trust also has the Satellite Handbook, Basic Antennas and Small Antennas for Small Spaces available. Get the full details on www.amateurradio.org.za/books.htm.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is at predominately low levels declining further with only minor C-class flares detected during the week. The sun's surface is still peppered with smaller sunspots promising exciting HF conditions.

For the people doing their own frequency predictions the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 95.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with the higher bands typically opening first and the lower bands opening later during the day. 6 m is also waking up with some very nice TEP openings.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

31 January 2012 - Last day for submission of nominations for Council members and also for submission of motions for the 2012 SARL AGM. 31 January 2012 - Closing date for submitting papers for SA AMSAT Space Symposium. Also: Submit nominations for SARL awards which will be presented at the gala dinner which will take place over the weekend of the 2012 SARL AGM.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays

on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 16:30 UTC on 4 895 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by George, Z6SNE.

Thank you for listening, 73. /EX

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1177. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 11th December 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-11 21:00:15 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20111211210003.75C2B33C8E@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3767
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 11th December 2011

IRTS 80th Anniversary

IRTS will be celebrating its 80th anniversary next year. Details of a worldwide contest - CQIR - to take place on Saint Patrick's Day, Saturday 17th March 2012 have just been announced. Full rules and information are available at www.irts.ie/cqir or by email to cqir /at /irts / dot/ie

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Echo Ireland

The December issue of Echo Ireland was posted to members during the week. The cover picture shows some of the antennas used during the recent DXpedition to Christmas Island while inside, Paul EI5DI writes about the planning of the expedition and the team's experiences on the island.

Closer to home, Islands On The Air contesters will know that Great Blasket Island was activated during the 2010 and 2011 IOTA contests: Ark EI9KC tells the story of both activations along with the group's plans for 2012. Island DXpeditions are also the subject of an article on activations of the remote islands of St. Kilda and Monarchs by a group of European operators which included Stan EI6DX.

The technical articles in this issue include one by Dave EI6AL on setting up a remote control station, while Tony EI5EM explains how to customise and re-scale moving coil meters and Liam EI9DVB tells us about the construction of a binary adder using only passive switches. There is also an article by Tom EI3AL on Shannon Aeradio which includes the history of the service along with information on the equipment, frequencies and modes in use.

This issue's HF Happenings column includes a full explanation of the Reverse Beacon Network as well as coverage of recent and upcoming DX. There is, of course, another excerpt from the HX Files, bringing us more information on the ATV adventures of Pat EI2HX.

South Dublin Radio Club Christmas Party 2011

This year's South Dublin Radio Club Christmas Party will take place on this Tuesday the 13th of December. Then the club will then take a break until Tuesday 10th of January 2012.

The venue for the party will be the same as last year, "The Morgue", Templeogue Village from 8.00 pm until late.

Members of other clubs and visitors are as usual very welcome to this social event. Limited free food will be available for paid-up members & visitors can choose from the bar menu until 9.00 pm.

Limerick Radio Club

The Annual Christmas Quiz will take place on Wednesday 14 December in the Limerick Institute of Technology at 7.30pm and a great night of fun fun is guaranteed, so brush up on your radio theory, general knowledge etc. Great prizes are available on the night and all are welcome. The club wishes all members a very Happy Christmas and prosperous 2012.

Louth Erne Amateur Radio Club

Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club, winner of the UK runner-up RSGB Club of the Year Award has donated half the ?500 prize money to the Share Centre.

Share is a charity and Ireland's largest residential activity centre. The Club's award-winning successes used Share as base for meetings, activities, examinations and the Lough Erne Rally, which will next be in Share's big Arena on Sunday 1 April 2012.

RSGB now seeks Club of the Year entries based on 2011. Lough Erne ARC urges more clubs to enter what is a useful audit of club aims, activities and achievements.

Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club

The Committee of the Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club would like to take this opportunity to extend Seasons Greetings to all on air. To get the Club members in the mood, the annual Christmas Dinner will be held on the 13th December. Details are a listed on the Club website at www.muarc.com This year the Club enjoyed a busy and varied calendar with the regular commitments and many new dates offering the opportunity to both promote Amateur Radio and to, of course, play radio. A series of successful Foundation Courses brought the year to a close. A 12 week Intermediate Course starts the new year, (see www.muarc.com) and with the Club call-sign MN0VFW getting the first airing of the year with a charitable activation for the RNLI SOS Week towards the end of January, it all promises to be another action packed year for the dedicated Mid Ulster team. Have a merry Christmas and a

prosperous 2012.

DX News

Haru JA1XGI will be QRV from the Pacific island of Guam from 12 - 14 December. He will use the callsign W8XGI/KH2. Look for him on all bands 20 - 10m. He plans to operate mainly on CW and QSLs go via his home call in Japan. Peter DC0KK is returning to Sri Lanka and will be active again as 4S7KKG until 11 March next year. He prefers CW and digital modes and uses dipole antennas. Norman 5B4AIF is travelling to Belize in Central America and will operate as V31NB from 16 - 27 December. He will be using the shack of V31MD and plans to be active in the OK-OM DX RTTY Contest on 17th December. QSL info is via EB7DX. Peri HB9IQB has been issued with the callsign E44PM by the authorities in Palestine. He hopes to start this one-man expedition around 16th December. Main priority will be CW and the WARC bands but due to many requests he now promises up to 20% SSB. QSL info is via his home call and also Logbook of the World.

70cm to help paralyzed patients

Bloomberg report on the FCC (USA) approval for medical devices designed to help paralyzed patients by using 426-432 MHz and 438-444 MHz for transmitting signals to incapacitated limbs.

Experimental D-Star Repeater

The Mid Cornwall Beacon and Repeater Group has obtained an NoV from Ofcom to operate an experimental D-Star repeater on the existing GB3HB repeater frequencies on 70cm. It will have the callsign GB7MC and is in operation since December 4th 2011..The output frequency will be 433.375MHz and the input frequency will be 434.975MHz.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

1178. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1040

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-11 21:04:34 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <260159.82014.bm@smtp101.sbc.mail.bf1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 3768
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1040
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The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Bulletin No. 1040
BID: $OPDX.1040
December 12, 2011
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, ARRL Letter, K1XN & GoList, NJ1Q & ARRL DX, NG3K & ADXO, W3UR & The Daily DX, N4AA & QRZ DX, KH6BZF, N7OU, K8GI, K8ND, K8YSE, W8GEX (60m News), W8IZC, NK0S, AT International, DK8JB & The DX News Letter, DL1SBF, DL7ZZ, DxCoffee.com, DX-World.Net, E73Y, ES1CW, F5NQL, F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX, G3XTT, HP1AC, I1JQJ/IK1ADH & 425 DX News, IK7JWX, IZ8EDJ, JS6RRR, OZ6OM & 50 MHz DX News, RSGB IOTA Web Site, VA3RJ & ICPO and VHF-DX-Portal (MMMonVHF) for the following DX information.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 4th-December, through Sunday, 11th-December there were 238 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, CY0, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/n, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HK0/a, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, R1FJ, S0, S2, S5, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T2, T32, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VP2E, VP2M, VP2V, VP5, VP6, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZK2, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

4S, SRI LANKA. Peter, DC0KK, will once again be active as 4S7KKG from Sri Lanka (AS-003, WLOTA 0762) between December 11th and March 11th, 2012. Activity will be mainly on CW and the Digital modes. QSL via

DC0KK, by the Bureau or direct (see QRZ.com). LoTW on request. All QSLs for all QSOs will be sent via the QSL Bureau.

8th IDXC. The 8th International DX Convention will take on April 22nd, 2012, and will be held in Capaccio Paestum, Salerno, Italy. The convention will have the following presentations: FW0R (Wallis & Futuna) 2012, HK0NA (Malpelo) 2012, T32C (East Kiribati) 2011, VP8ORK (South Orkney) 2011 and possibly others. For more details and updates, watch the following Web page at:
http://www.dxitalia.it/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=
&Itemid=X

A6, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES. Gerry, VE6LB, will once again be active as A6/VE6LB from Dubai between December 20th and January 10th. Activity will be limited (holiday style) using 100 watts into a G5RV antenna (40-10m), but with a focus on 12/10m and mainly on CW. QSL direct via his home callsign (QRZ.com address) or LoTW and eQSL. Bureau QSLs can be requested via E-mail at: ve6lb@telus.net
Visit his Web page at: http://www.telusplanet.net/public/telwest/ve6lb.htm
On-line log will be available at:
http://logsearch.de/index.php/online-logsearch

DXCC NEWS.....
* It has been reported that HZ1FI QSLs are being rejected. Reason given = no documentation received by ARRL.

* Following the DXCC Desk's clarification on Russian prefixes which counts for European Russia (see OPDX.1039.2), Boris, E73Y, disputes the line "Any call with the prefix U and the numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7". Boris states that the U5 callsigns has been used for WWII veterans in Ukraine not European Russia." The Russian callsign system was changed in mid-2010. Complete details of the changes can be found on the IARU Region I Web site at:

http://www.iaru-r1.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=48:new-russian-callsign-system&catidA:hf&Itemid=

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS. Bill, N7OU, who flew back from Manihiki, North Cook, on December 6th, reports that he made 16,250 QSOs as E51MAN. He was active this past weekend during the ARRL 10m Contest as E51NOU from Rarotonga, South Cook, CW only. He informed OPDX that he will be uploading his E51MAN and E51NOU logs to LoTW (ASAP) after his return to the USA this week. Also, he will miss the last part of the 10m contest because he will fly back to the USA at 1000z, on December 11th.

ET, ETHIOPIA. David, K3LP, and a group of operators are now active from the club station ET3AA and the QTH of ET3SID until December 13th. QSL both callsigns for "only this particular operation in December", via N2OO. In a short press release on Saturday, David mentioned that their ARRL VE Team completed the FCC License test session on December 10th, at the University of Addis Ababa. The results are:
Technician Exam: General Exam:

61 Tested 3 Tested
53 Passed 0 Passes
They expect a large turn out on Monday, December 12th, at the University
of Addis Ababa for the General (about 34) and Extra Class (5) exams.

HU2, EL SALVADOR (Update). A team consisting of Juergen/DF7TT, Ruediger/
DK8YY, Oliver/DL2ARD, Rene/DL2JRM, Ralf/DL3JJ (Team Leader), Ingolf/DL4JS,
Daniel/DL5SE, Lu/DL8ALU, Jaroslav/OK4MM, Andres/YS1AG, Mario/YS1GMV, Mario/
YS1MAE and Florencio/YS1ZC will be active as HU2DX from Capricho Beach
House, Barra de Santiago, El Salvador, between January 29th and February
10th, 2012. Most of the team members are from the successful 2008 5T5DC
Mauritania DXpedition. Activity will be on 160-10 meters with the main
focus on the lower bands and using up to 4 stations on the air. Their
radios (all with amps): 2 x K3, 1 x K2 100W and for the Digimodes a FT-840.
Antennas are: 160m Phased Array @ 2 x 26m Spiderbeam Pole, 80m Phased
Array @ 2 x 18m Spiderbeam Pole, Spiderbeam 20-10m, Spiderbeam 17/20/30m
and 2 x SteppIR Vertical 40-6mm (phased for 40m or single for Highbands).
The group is looking for support (see Web page for info). QSL via DH7WW, by
the Bureau or direct to: Ulrich Moeckel, Muldenstasse 1, 08304 Schoenheide,
GERMANY. For more information, a Web page is now available at:
http://www.hu2dx.de

IOTA NEWS.............
AS-079. Takeshi "TAKE", JS6RRR, will be active as JS6RRR and JI3DST/JS6
from Miyako Island (AS-079-005) between 0800z, December 23rd
and 0000z, January 5th, 2012. Activity from Miyakojima City,
Okinawa (JCC#4714), will be on 160/80/75/40/30/20/17/15/12/10/6
meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK31 and FM. Take will also go to
Ikema-jima (AS-079-001) and Kurima-jima (AS-079-003) one or two
times during this stay. This can change due to work situations
or rainy weather and travel time. QSL via the Bureau is the
best, but if you want to send direct, see QRZ.com (under the
callsign JI3DST: 2-18-26, Hannan-cho, Abeno-ku, Osaka-city,
Osaka 545-0021, Japan.

APPROVED IOTA OPERATIONS. Fred, IK7JWX, reports that the following
operations during the period of August to October 2011, have been
provided acceptable validation and are therefore approved for IOTA
credit: 5C2B (AF-068), 5C2J (AF-068), 5C2P (AF-068), 5C2S (AF-068),
CN8QY/P (AF-068), MM0RAI/P (EU-189), 4W6AA (OC-232), YB9WZJ/P (OC-239),
YB0MWM/9 (OC-239), PQ8OP (SA-045) and PQ8XB (SA-045). Also, G3KMA
(28 Oct. 2011).

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (December 12-18th)....
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Dec/13th AN Dec/16th AN Dec/18th AN
Dec/14th AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K9 100-400

PJ2, CURACAO. Jeff, K8ND, will once again return to Curacao Island (SA-099, WLOTA LH-0942) for the 19th time to activate the Signal Point Station - PJ2T, between December 14-20th. He states that he will be there to 'explicitly' be in the Stew Perry 160m Contest (December 17-18th) and to beat the score by Jerry, PJ2/WB9Z, from 2005: 5059 points (385 QSOs in 229 grids). QSL PJ2T via W3HNK.

PJ2, CURACAO. Members of "The NN6NN RTTY Team" will be activating PJ2N from the Signal Point Station - PJ2T on Curacao Island (SA-099, WLOTA LH-0942) during the 2012 ARRL RTTY Round-Up (January 7-8th, 2012). Operators mentioned, Ron/N6EE and Chet/W6XK, will be enter the contest as a Multi-Op/High-Power entry. By the way, these two operators currently hold the world record during for their 2003 VP5NN operation. Look for the operators to be active on the Digital modes before and after the contest as PJ2/N6EE and PJ2/W6XK. QSL via LoTW or direct to NN6NN.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated December 11th)

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5V7MA via F4FOO HB9SOLAR via HB9ACA T88NU via SM0GNU
BA1BJ via K1NIU HF3R via SP3GEM UP20PT via UN8PT
DL/ON6UU/P via ON6UU HG6N via HA6KNB UP20R via UN7RL
DU1IST via JA1HGY II0UI via IZ0TTE UP20TO via UN7TO
E7DX via E77E II1IAME via IZ8QNX VP2ETN via JN1RVS
EA8/DL3FCG via DL3FCG J6/WF2S via WF2S VP2ETN via JN1RVS
EA8/DL3OH via DL3OH KH6/K3BI via JJ3AZA VP5/W5KD via W5KD
EA8/IK1PMR via IK1PMR KP2VI via EB7DX XU7ACQ via KF0RQ
EM1000USK via UT8UF LT5X via WD9EWK YU1EQ via YT2AA
EO20IM via UW5IM OM/HA6QR/P via HA6QR ZF2AH via W6VNR
FS/DL2RUM via DL2RUM PR5B via 6K5YPD ZP5/LU9ESD via LU9ESD
FS/DM2XO via DM2XO T8CC via UA4CC

LOG AVAILABLE ON-LINE. The logs for 9L0W from Banana Island (AF-037) is now up and running at: http://www.mdxc.org/9l0w

QSL MANAGER OF THE YEAR AWARD. John, K1XN, announced this past week: "The Golist QSL Manager Data Service is reviving its 'QSL Manager of the Year Award'. The purpose of this award it to recognize the service of QSL Managers world wide for the service they provide to the World Wide Amateur Community. Nominations for this award will be accepted by the Golist from DX and Contest clubs, world wide, for the year of 2012. Each DX club and Contest club is encouraged to poll their members

for their nominations for the Top 5 QSL Managers for 2012. The definition of a QSL Manager for this award is any person that confirms contacts via QSL Card for any station other than their Primary Call Sign. Each club should tabulate the votes of their members and submit to the Golist the Top 5 vote getters as voted by members of their club. Votes should be tabulated and sent to the Golist by August 1st, 2012, to be eligible for the QSL Manager of the Year award. Each club world wide may only send one submission for voting purposes. Records of submission will be maintained by the Golist.
A plaque, donated by QRZ-DX / THE DX MAGAZINE, will be awarded to the QSL Manager of the Year selected at the W4DXCC Convention held in Pigeon Forge Tennessee in September 2012.
The recognized format for your clubs submission is as follows:
In the Body of the Message include:
Club Name
Club Officer (Name, Call Sign, club office and email address)
Top 5 QSL Manager Nominees (list name and callsign)
In the subject line of your official email: QSL Manager of the Year-2012."

Les, WB8LES, who is active as T6LB from FOB (Forward Operation Base) Shank, Loghar Province, Afghanistan, has reportedly been stateside for about 2 weeks now and is starting to get to the pile of QSL cards. It was also reported that it looks like he may be changing employment and go back to flying trans-Atlantic charter jets.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 3V8SS, 4Z1UF, 6V7N, 7Q7VB, 9X0VB, C91VB, CR6K, DF9ZP, DM5TI, EA4URE, EI8HT, EL2A, EL2WS, FG5FU, FG5LA, FS/DL2RUM, G8APB, GM3POI, H40KJ, HB9FBG, HI3A, HI3TEJ, IV3RAV, J6/WF2S, JA0FSB, JA3QOS, JA5FDJ, JA8TGI, JH2IEE, KH2L, KL7AC, LZ1MS, LZ2MP, LZ9W, MM0AMW, OE8SKQ, OH0Z, OK1AMF, P40L, PB1TT, PJ4X, PU5AAD, RA4CC, S51ZZ, S55O, SM3EVR, SU9VB, TF3SG, TG9ADM, UN6P, UN7PBY, UP6P, UR3IFD, UU5WW, VA7RN, VE1OP, VE3KP, VP2MWG, XE2B, YL2KF, YN2CC, YQ6A, Z37M and ZK2V

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3D2R, 3DA0GF, 4K9W, 4W6A, 6O0M, 7Z1HL, 8Q7SO, 8R1AK, 9G5SG, 9M2CLN, A52IR, AP2NK, C4N, CT1DSC, D9A, EA9EU, EL8RI, ET3AA, FR4NT, GJ7DNI, HV50VR, J79KT, JV5A, JW3TR, LT1F, MM0AMW, OD5NJ, PJ7X, PJ7XK, PQ8P, UA9CUA, VP8LP, VP9HE, XV2YL, YB0AKM, YL2BJ, ZD7VC and ZD8ZZ

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 4L7O, 5W0KH, 7Z1HL 8Q7SO, 9G5SG, 9M2TO, AD7UV/KH2, AH0BT, AL5A/WH0, B1Z, BT3WX, CW1GM, DL60DARC, DU1IST, EA6AIV, J5V, K0FRI/KH2, KB0OBU/KH2, P29VEK, PJ4/KP2I, SE2T, T30ZF, T32SI, T8CW, TO5T, UK/JI2MED, VK9DWX, VP2MNK, WH0DX, YJ0NA, YW5F and ZK2DL

SILENT KEY. The members of the Northern Ohio DX Association lost a great friend/member, Don Schmidt, N8AC, on December 3rd. His DXCC totals were 343/329. Don retired from NASA Lewis Research Center as an Electronic Research Technician after 31 yrs., and was a also a WWII veteran during the Berlin Air Lift, as well as during the Korean War. OPDX and its readers would like to send out our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of N8AC.

T32C PRESS RELEASE (Bulletin #10). Don, G3XTT, FSDXA T32C Publicity Officer, sent out the following on December 11th (edited): "It's about six weeks now since the team returned home from Christmas Island, and we wanted to update everyone and answer some of the questions we are being asked.
TOTALS, RECORDS: Firstly, as most of you will know, our final QSO total was 213,116, the first time any DXpedition has exceeded the magic 200k (some will recall that, with D68C, we were the first to exceed 100k). We also worked 49,535 uniques, another world record. Just a few short weeks before the trip started we wondered whether we could manage a respectable total at all, as it had become clear that our container of equipment would not arrive and we would have to hand carry everything. In the event, team members and others, including our major sponsors, rallied round and we were able to run up to ten stations, eight of them equipped with linears, along with a very respectable array of vertical antennas for 160 through 10 and, later in the trip, an 8-element Yagi for 6m. What also came as a very pleasant surprise was the upturn in HF conditions just days before we started 10 and 12m propagation was well above what we had dared to hope.

Partly as a result of those improvements in propagation, we are particularly proud of the number of European QSOs included in that total, some 59,673. A breakdown of our QSOs appears on the Club Log website: http://www.clublog.org/charts/?c2C#r

Other records that we broke included the band records for 30m,15m and 12m and those for CW (102,216), SSB (88,416) and RTTY (19,225). Another record was with North America (109,327).

6 METERS: Just a word about our 6m operation. Not only did the container fail to arrive, but Kazu JA1RJU, our 6m guru, had to cancel his participation at the last minute for health reasons (as we reported in a previous bulletin). It was left to team members Michael/DG1MGZ, Mike/G3WPH and Bob/MD0CCE to learn 'on the job'. Not only did they manage seven EME QSOs in two continents (it would have been more, but the 6m linear developed a fault), but they also managed 103 terrestrial QSOs, including some quite long-haul ones into the USA and South America (possibly due to some early 6m F2 propagation?).

THE CONTAINER: We are regularly asked what happened to the shipping container with its six tons of gear. The good news is that, while we were let down by local agents and shippers in the Pacific area, there is no problem with shipping on the main routes, and it is currently on its way back to the UK, scheduled to arrive in late January.

QSLing: Full details of how to request a 'traditional' QSL appear on our website, so are not repeated here. You can send a direct or bureau card, or make an online request. The card design has been finalized and we plan to start mailing cards in January after the Christmas postal rush.

As for Logbook of the World, we promised an upload within six months and, in practice, it will be very much earlier. We wanted to upload as clean a log as possible and have made some 500+ editorial changes to the log as

a result of feedback from the log uploads to Club Log and notes received from many of the Deserving. But we are very conscious that many of you want to do a DXCC update before year-end. Therefore, LoTW permitting, we plan to start the upload on 15 December 2011, just over six frenetic weeks after our return from T32C. Uploading 213k QSOs is a huge task and we don't necessarily expect it to go smoothly first time (D68C, 3B9C and 3B7C all experienced problems), so the upload may take several days to complete.

We have a team of 10 QSL managers ready to start processing the T32C cards and we estimate that we will eventually confirm around 140,000 QSOs.

StarQSL, our internet-based QSLing system, has been enhanced recently by its author John, G3WGV. Major developments include a new batch import facility to work directly with Club Log's OQRS, incorporating an address label printing facility. We will be printing direct to QSL cards this time. Various improved ergonomics have also been introduced to help speed up the QSLing program.

Just a word too about QSLing our earlier DXpeditions, as T32C has prompted renewed interest in getting missing cards from those trips. The following have taken over QSLing responsibilities for our 3B7C and 3B9C DXpeditions:

3B7C QSLs should now be sent to: 3B9C QSLs should now be sent to:
Jim Steel M0ZAK Derek Moffatt G3RAU
6 Central Avenue Mill House
Shepshed Middle Street
Leics LE12 9HP Glentworth, Gainsborough
United Kingdom Lincs DN21 5BZ
United Kingdom

Email addresses for both Jim M0ZAK and Derek G3RAU are shown on QRZ.com.

PRESENTATIONS, ARTICLES: An early DXpedition write up has already appeared in the WIA (Australia) journal and one is in preparation for Brazil (in Portuguese, tnx PY2WAS). The RSGB's RadCom will carry a four-page article in the January issue and the latest edition of the CDXC (Chiltern DX Club, the UK DX Foundation) Digest is very much a 'T32C Special'. We have also accepted invitations to present at Dayton and Visalia and at next year's RSGB Convention as well as at the LADX (Norway) and ARI (Italian) events. We expect to feature on the program at Friedrichshafen and other national and local clubs over the next 12 months.

DVD, etc.: A DVD is currently in preparation and orders can be placed via the website. We expect it to start shipping in January – there is 25 hours of material to be edited down! The DVD will also include the 3B7C story.

THANKS: Once again, we want to offer our thanks to every individual and organization who have supported our efforts to put Christmas Island on the air in a big way. We have acknowledged all sponsors on our website. By the completion of the project and thanks to our sponsors (corporate, club and individual), donations through OQRS and with QSL cards, and taking into account projected sales of some of our equipment, we expect to just about break-even.

We must, though, finally add our thanks to the staff of the Captain Cook Hotel and, indeed, to all those local residents we met on the island. It's a great place, with good fishing and a friendly welcome from all.

And to all our fellow amateurs, a Happy Christmas from those of us who encountered ?Christmas? early this year!"

Don Field G3XTT, (don.field@gmail.com) (FSDXA Publicity Officer)
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T6, AFGHANISTAN. J?rgen "Joe", 5Q2J/OZ2JBC, will be active as T6JP during sometime in 2012. Joe is an electronic mechanic in the Danish Army. QSL via 5Q2J. More details will be forthcoming.

TO4, MAYOTTE. Operators Giovanni/IK5BCM, Giuseppe/IK5CBE and Giovanni/IK5CRH will be active as TO4M from Mayotte between January 28th and February 5th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via IK5CRH.

V3, BELIZE. Operators Alex/DO5ALX and Torsten/DG7RO will be active as V31RU and V31TF, respectively, from Corozal, Belize, between February 4-26th, 2012. Activity will be on 30/17/12 bands using SSB and RTTY. There is a possibility that they will enter the CQ WPX RTTY Contest (February 11-12th). QSL via their home callsigns.

V3, BELIZE. Bob, N7MSU, will once again be active as V31SU from Belize between February 26th and March 15th. Activity will be mainly 40-20 meters using CW, SSB and PSK31. Operations will be from various locations which including Caye Caulker, Orange Walk Town, San Ignacio and Gales Point. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct (see QRZ.com for address and instructions).

V4, ST. KITTS. Jon, W5JON, will be active again as V47JA from his Calypso Bay vacation home, located 300 feet from the Caribbean Sea (CQ Zone:8, IOTA NA-104, Grid FK87pg), between February 28th and March 28th, 2012. Activity will be on 80-6 meters SSB, including 60 meters. He plans to operate in both the ARRL International DX SSB Contest (March 3-4th) and the CQ WPX SSB Contest (March 24-25th), as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. The station's equipment is a Kenwood TS-590S, Yaesu FT-857D, and SB200

amplifier. Antennas are a 80-10m multi-band dipole, metal roof (called "Galvalume", which the vertical uses as the ground radials) with mounted S9 (18 ft. and 31 ft. verticals) and a 6m 3 element yagi. Look for his XYL Cathy, W5HAM, to also be active occasionally as V4/W5HAM. All QSLs go to his home callsign, W5JON. Also LoTW.

XU, CAMBODIA. A group of JA operators plan to be active from Sihanoukville between January 14-22nd. Operators mentioned are Masumi/JA3AVO (XU7AVO), Takeo/JA3BZO (XU7AEN), Kunio/JA1CJA/JH3LSS (XU7CJA), Tsuguya/JA3UJR (XU7UJR), Shozo/JA3HJI (XU7HJI pending) and Tatsuo/JA3ARJ (XU7ARJ pending). Activity will probably be like last time on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and Digital modes. Also look for satellite activity on 2m and 70cm. QSL via their home callsigns.

YV0, AVES ISLAND. The 4M5DX Group states that they are still looking for no more than 7 or 12 days to operate from Aves Island (NA-020, ARLHS AVE-001, WLOTA L-0216) with transportation from the Venezuela Navy.

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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1179. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2011-044E - New Manager of NARED, the National Amateur Radio Emergency Database

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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RAC Bulletin 2011-044E - New Manager of NARED, the National Amateur Radio Emergency Database
2011-12-10

Doug Mercer VO1DM CEC RAC Vice President Field Services is pleased to announce the appointment of Pat Barrett, VE3RNH Manager NARED effective immediately. Pat has an extensive management background and most recently sat on the Ontario Restructuring Commission chaired by RAC Director Bill Unger VE3XT. Pat is active with ARES, the Barrie Amateur Radio Club, and speaking with her she is looking forward to moving NARED forward, adding her knowledge and experience. If you have ideas or suggestions I know she would like to hear from you. Contact her at ve3rnh@rac.ca.

In making this announcement, also also would like to extend a warm 'thank you old friend' to Merv Halvorsen VE3TSA the outgoing NARED Manager. Merv, I knew I wouldn't have you for long, and sincere thanks for all of your efforts.

73

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1180. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 05 - 11 December 2011

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Date: 2011-12-13 22:30:06 UTC
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:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2011 Dec 13 1738 UTC
# Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
# http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
05 - 11 December 2011

Solar activity was at predominantly low levels for the summary
period. From 05 - 06 December, two regions dominated the disk in
size and solar flare production, Region 1363 (S21, L=108,
class/area=Eki/620 on 05 December) and Region 1362 (N08, L=131,
class/area=Eso/220 on 03 December). Both regions produced multiple
C-class events with Region 1363 responsible for the largest event of
the period, a C6/Sf flare at 05/2325 UTC. From 07 - 10 December,
Region 1374 (S17, L=352, class/area=Dso/210 on 11 December) and
Region 1375 (N08, L=356, class/area=Cso/140 on 11 December)
dominated the disk, each producing several small C-class events. The
only days of the summary period with activity at very low levels
were 06 and 11 December . Multiple coronal mass ejections (CMEs)
were observed throughout the week, however, none of them were
geoeffective.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
moderate levels from 05 - 09 December. A return to background levels
was observed on 10 December.

Geomagnetic activity was at predominantly quiet levels during the
summary period. From 05 - 08 December, quiet conditions were
observed at all latitudes. On 09 December, an isolated period of
active conditions was observed at high latitudes. On 10 December,
quiet to unsettled conditions were observed as a coronal hole high
speed stream (CH HSS) moved into a geoeffective position. Solar wind
speed increased from around 330 km/s to around 500 km/s at the ACE
spacecraft and the total IMF rose to around 11 nT. Another isolated
period of active conditions was observed at high latitudes on 11
December as a result of the CH HSS effects.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
14 December - 09 January 2012
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Solar activity is expected to be at predominately low levels with a chance for isolated M-class activity from 12 - 22 December. A decrease to predominantly low levels is expected from 23 -24 December as Regions 1374 and 1375 rotate off the disk. An increase to a slight chance for M-class activity is expected on 25 December as Region 1363 returns and remain for the duration of the forecast period.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at normal to moderate levels the entire forecast period (14 December - 09 January).

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be at mostly quiet levels from 14 - 25 December. Quiet to unsettled conditions are expected on 26 - 29 December due to effects from a recurrent CH HSS. A return to quiet levels is expected from 30 December - 04 January followed by an increase to quiet to unsettled levels on 05 - 06 January due to effects from a second recurrent CH HSS. Mostly quiet conditions are expected for the remainder of the period.

1181. HOT 2 HOT SEXY BEST VIDEOS PHOTOS TOOOO U

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-14 07:42:20 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <89fefc83-4696-496b-855e-cecaee3eb343@r13g2000prr.googlegroups.com>
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Date: 2011-12-15 00:42:01 UTC
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On Dec 14, 2:42 am, 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdg...@gmail.com> wrote:
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1183. ** MMMonVHF Newsletter / No.1 - WEEK 50/2011 **

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-15 10:44:01 UTC
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Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our lastet NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2011-12-15
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter, once a week (thursday)
from now on - if any special activities will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further detail please be so kind and watch our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you vy welcome for any
input and we do hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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** MS - Contest 2011 - LY4U MEMORIAL CONTEST **

A map representing the squares that was qrv/active during the
BCC-contest and Geminids is at the bottom of our MS-page:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/ms.php This year the contest will be a
honour to Rytis, LY4U, who won the 2010 edition of the contest
but became silent key on August 30th 2011.
SOURCE: Massimo, IV3NDC, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
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** DXCC: E51 ; Square: BG08 ; Start: 2011-12-12 **
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E51EME - 6m dxpedition to the South Cook Islands - Just leaving for
Rarotonga in the Cook Islands until late January. I'll be replacing
the 5 element Yagi at E51CG's QTH with a 7 element Yagi and will be
active on 6m with my IC706 and a HB 8877 PA ... mostly looking for
Es and F2 propagation, but might appear on JT65a EME at my moonrise
or moonset (both over water) during the low degredaation days.
SOURCE: tnx Bob ZL1RS/E51EME direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: PY1 ; Square: GG76 ; Start: 2011-12-12 **
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EME as PY1EME on 70cm, 6cm and 2m/6m - Hello Mooners - I will be qrv during summer vacation, from now until the end of January 2012. Planned bands are 70cm (already qrv), 6cm (by the end of this month), 6m (starting next week) and 2m (occasionally) More info about 70cm, 6cm and 6m please take a look at PY1KK on qrz.com <http://qrz.com/>. For 2m please check PY1EME on qrz.com <http://qrz.com/> Please send an e-mail if interested on a try on any of these bands. Vy 73 de Bruce, PY2BS, PY1KK, PY1EME
SOURCE: tnx Lance, W7GJ, via Magic Band EME Group

** DXCC: FG ; Square: FK96 ; Start: 2011-12-28 **
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Again this year F1DUZ and F6APE will catch the moon from Guadeloupe Island as FG4KH (FK96HF) LATEST NEWS from Phil, F1DUZ, dated 2011-12-05: FG4KH 70cm setup is ready to go !
The last try has been done with success, all is working at the best! The internet connection is good at FG4KH, so the working frequencies for JT65 and CW will be selected on site depending of birdies. The activity will be a holidays style with more on the week-ends, especially the second one. the operations will start on the 28/12. The main activity will run in JT65B mode but I hope to catch some big guns in CW , so skeds will be welcome. Please, if you are interested for a CW QSO, send me a mail at duz@orange.fr so we can arrange a sked. The informations about the daily and next activity will go through MMMonVHF and the log on line on our web-site. Please give us a call ! If you have no elevation but good set up on 70cm, try us at your moonset or moonrise! See you soon from the French West Indies ! SOURCE: tnx to Phil, F1DUZ, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: HS ; Square: ---- ; Start: 2012-04-18 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=4080

E2E EME-DXpedition in Thailand around April 2012 - I am happy to announce that there will be an EME-DXpedition in Thailand around 18th of April. A group of Expats (HS0ZFZ, HS0ZFD, HS0ZGQ and me HS0ZIL) are planning to activate some rare squares in northeastern Thailand daywise! The special callsign will be "E2E". The DXpedition will take place in order to assist the "Radio Amateur Society of Thailand (RAST)", who had lost all their equipment at the Club Station HS0AC in BANGKOK during last flood. So any donations for this activity are welcome and will be transferred to RAST Treasurer An own website and/or an DX-Blog on http://www.mmmonvhf.de/ will be setup in the near future. Stay tuned on these sites for further informations!!! Pictures of the destroyed Club Station can be seen here: http://www.qsl.net/rast/ 73 to all
SOURCE: tnx to Karsten, DL2LAH/HS0ZIL direct to MMMonVHF

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** KH0 - Northern Mariana Islands qrv HF and 50 MHz **

Look for Masayoshi, AE6YW/JI1DSO to be active as AH0/AE6YW from
the island of Saipan (OC-086, USi NI002S, WLOTA 1333, WW Loc.
QK25UF), Northern Mariana Islands betweeen 29 February and
6 March, 2012. QRV on 80-6m, plus the satellites. QSL via JI1DSO,
direct or bureau. SOURCE: Bill/NG3K via ICPO

** V3 - Belize - qrv HF and 50 MHz **

Guenter, DL2AYK, will be active as V31YK from Placencia, Belize
(WW Loc. EK56TM), between 27 February and 11 March, 2012. This will
include a Single-Op entry in the ARRL DX SSB Contest (3-4 March).
He will be QRV on 80-10 metres, maybe 6m, using CW/SSB/RTTY and
possibly some PSK31. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.
SOURCE: Bill/NG3K via ICPO

** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 2359 UTC ...

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The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF - Newsletter Credits & Info
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Our Newsletter is compiled from the input of the USER of the
VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF and as well by a lot of free usable
HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats
like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USER who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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1184. WIANEWS for WEEK COMMENCING DECEMBER 18 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-15 20:02:33 UTC
From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
Message-ID: <64514c78-f947-4277-bb58-0f30dd607886@smxsrv01.vintek.net>
Source record: 3774
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2011-12-18.mp3
Text edition:

WIANEWS - DEC 18 - VK NATIONAL NEWS

THE BEST NEWS YOU'LL GET ALL WEEK

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Please... If you are only submitting text and not audio, write your story as
you would expect to hear it being read back and NEVER send just links &
url's.

WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING DECEMBER 18 2011.

We urge you to read the WIA FRONT PAGE NEWS service regularly,
http://www.wia.org.au

NOW, THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING DECEMBER 18 2011.

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The proposal to allocate a part of the medium frequency band to the amateur
service at the World Radio Conference in 2012 received a boost this week with
the release of the Asia-Pacific Common Proposals that were developed at the
5th Meeting of the APT Conference Preparatory Group for WRC-12.

During this meeting the various nations of the Asia-Pacific region discussed
many of issues that will be addressed at WRC12 and attempted to come to a
regional consensus position.

The proposal of interest to the amateur service is "to consider an allocation of about 15 kHz in parts of the band 415-526.5 kHz to the amateur service on a secondary basis, taking into account the need to protect existing services" and this proposal was supported by a comfortable margin of Asia-Pacific administrations responding to the voting request.

The successful development of a regional position supporting an amateur MF allocation increases the chances that the proposal will be accepted at WRC-12.

The amateur radio service is represented at the APT meetings by delegates from the International Amateur Radio Union Region 3 and by members of national amateur radio organisations who are part of delegations from each national administration Dale Hughes was a member of the Australian delegation to this meeting and the earlier meeting in Hong Kong in December 2010, nominated and paid for by the WIA.

Dale will be representing the amateur service as a member of the Australian delegation to WRC-12, again nominated by the WIA.

Read the full story on WIA Front Page News

http://www.wia.org.au/newsevents/news/2011/20111214-2/index.php

You know it's history that makes us who we are today and helps guide us not to repeat mistakes!

The WIA's archive in Bayswater has been steadily sorting documents, some dating back prior to the foundation of organised amateur radio in Australia in 1910.

During the "100th year" in 2010, many documents and articles were received as a result of the "Call for Articles" column in AR. Some submissions have been, or will be published in the WIA's magazine. All will be kept and added to the archive shelves to assist those researching wireless/radio history at some later date.

You are able to help preserve our history by forwarding relevant historical information in your possession.

WIA is particularly seeking material relating to radio activities within Australia. You may have been involved in some activity of importance, or related to an earlier amateur whose paper work may still be held in the family. If you were an office bearer of the Institute, or one of the more active clubs, you may have copies of official correspondence with the old PMG's Department relating to early special permits, e.g. for modes like RTTY, ATV, Moon Bounce or early repeaters. Even copies of OT's licences and permits are very worthy of preserving, for they all help to build up an accurate image of days gone.

The Institute's Archive, is rapidly developing into a source of historical material not only relating to the development of amateur radio in Australia but also radio communication generally in this part of the world.

Please forward suitable material to the Bayswater office, marked "Attention Archive" or you may contact the WIA Historian, Peter Wolfenden, VK3RV on email vk3rv@wia.org.au

The WIA's Freedom of Information request early this year, reported in the Comment column of the April issue of the WIA's Amateur Radio magazine, revealed that the ACMA did not have any documents disclosing ACMA's policy or procedures relating to inspections.

The WIA has continued to discuss these matters with the ACMA and now we have been able to publish an agreed statement on inspections. The full statement can be found on the WIA website, currently as a news item on wia.org.au

But let me outline some aspects of the statement.

Let me put on one side cases where a radio inspector can enter premises pursuant to a warrant issued by a court on the basis of evidence of significant breaches of the Radiocommunications Act or in an emergency to stop actual interference to certain safety services.

Those situations apart, Radio Inspectors acting under that Act do not generally have automatic rights to enter an individual property unless permission is granted by the occupier of the property.

Amateur station inspections are normally a routine activity, often with an educational objective. Ordinarily, an Inspector should arrange a mutually convenient time by telephone with a licensee to inspect the licensee's station. If the licensee is aged under 18, the appointment should be made through a parent or guardian, and the inspection should be carried out in the presence of the parent or guardian.

The ACMA points out that in some cases, where an Inspector is working in a particular area, it may be convenient to visit amateurs in the area for station inspections when it may not be possible to make an prior appointment by telephone. It has been agreed that the following steps will be taken in such cases when an Inspector has been unable to make an appointment:

1 The ACMA staff will select the licensee(s) to be visited by the proximity of their station(s) to other work in an area;

2 The ACMA staff will ascertain the age of each licensee to be visited;

3 If the licensee is aged under 18, contact shall be made through a parent or guardian or other adult;

4 Upon arrival, the Inspector shall identify himself and display his or her identification card. The WIA advises that the licensee should note the name(s) of the Inspector(s);

5 The Inspector shall request permission to enter and to inspect the station. If it is not convenient to do so the inspector should advise the licensee that the inspection may take place at another time more convenient to both the ACMA and the licensee.

6 The ACMA staff shall always ensure that if the licensee is aged under 18 any inspection is carried out at all times in the presence of a parent or guardian or other adult.

7 The licensee shall assist the Inspector in the conduct of the inspection and possible testing of equipment.

The agreed statement ends with the following:
It is expected that ACMA staff and Amateur operators will work co-operatively in accordance with the above procedure and always bear in mind the individual rights of the licensee.

Please read the full statement on the WIA website, http://www.wia.org.au

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news
Email Address : r_demkiw@yahoo.com.au

Hello everyone, Merry Christmas from the members of the Central Coast Amateur Radio Club.

I'm Rod, VK2FVRJ.

Well, It's just 70 days until the Central Coast Amateur Radio Club (CCARC) Field Day at Wyong, Sunday 26th February 2012.

The largest Amateur Radio gathering in the Southern hemisphere.

Each year the Central Coast Amateur Radio Club plays host to Australia's leading suppliers of amateur radio and electronic equipment, as well as over 1500 amateur radio enthusiasts looking for that elusive Field Day bargain.

So, don't forget to mark the date on your calendar, save those pennies and we'll see you at Amateur Radio's Big Day Out in 2012

For further information, please go to the Field Day website,
http://www.fieldday.org.au

or Central Coast Amateur Radio Club
http://www.ccarc.org.au

Once again, the Central Coast amateur Radio club wishes all amateur radio operators and their families, a very merry Christmas and a safe and Happy New Year.

VK4 - QNEWS
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send audio to http://www.wia.org.au/members/broadcast/upload/

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get local news emailed qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

Welcome to QNews from VK4WIA. I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP, and I've been thinking.

>From time to time there are issues which come up in our families, our workplaces and our clubs. These can start out as seemingly simple ideas but they can spark a gut reaction which raises the heat above normal.

Part of the process of moving along our club activities is getting people to follow common goals. This can be running a club station in a contest, having a project to build or even arranging a get together for members and their families. There are so many opportunities for group activities in amateur radio.

Part of the trick is to choose activities that will keep the bulk of members involved and excited. The other part of the trick is not to be limited by the will of one or a small group in the club. For club life to work, just as for our personal life to work, we must be prepared to compromise and accept compromise.

When we make our choices is the time for clear heads and cool thoughts and like in fox hunting, it is when we can properly get red-faced and excited in completing the project.

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think....how about you?

TARC Xmas Lights Tour

Get out your Santa Hats, flashy pins and glad rags and get ready for a magical mystery tour of the light fantastic in Townsville!

Particularly if you are travelling through the area make contact on the RAT repeater system now because the world famous TARC Xmas Lights Tour is on again, happening Friday evening December 23rd.

It's a Drive Yourself Dazzling Spectacular and all mobile shack chariots will need to monitor 146.5MHz during the tour to hear instructions from Santa's guide vehicle.

Embarkation point will be at the Picnic Tables and Playground, northern end of The Domain before the 6pm departure time.

Contact Gavin VK4ZZ on mobile 0427 182469 or on email vk4zz@wia.org.au or via VK4RAT.

DISCUSSION POINT

What use is an f-call?

In 1905 George Santayana said: "Those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it."

If you're new to Amateur Radio like me, you don't remember the past because you don't know it. While I could dig up the history going back to 1900 or so, I'll encourage you instead to let your fingers do that walking and read that on the Internet yourself. One particularly interesting document I stumbled on is called "History of Radio call-signs in Australia", a must read.

Having just received my foundation license, I was unaware how recent the development of an f-call actually is. In May 2004 the ACMA published a report on the "Outcomes of the Review of Amateur Service Regulation" which among many outcomes recommended the introduction of an entry-level licensing option in Australia, similar to the foundation license in the UK.

The submissions at the
time, over two-thirds in favour of a foundation licensing option, cited the need

to make the amateur service more accessible to potential amateurs. There were other outcomes which you can read online.

On 21 October 2005 the ACMA issued the first Foundation Licence, VK4FRST to Amanda who still holds that license today.

In 2005, the Foundation license
looked slightly different to what it does today. At the time, you were permitted 3 Watts for FM, AM and CW broadcasts and 10 Watts for SSB. This changed on the 3rd of February 2006 when the ACMA notified the WIA that 10 Watts was allowed on all permitted emission modes for a Foundation License.

Now I was never going to be giving you a history lesson, you knew that from the start. What I was trying to point out is that the privileges we enjoy today come from a background of development, driven by Amateurs, like yourself, asking questions and making recommendations. It comes from input from the
Wireless Institute of Australia, it comes from developments overseas.

Next time you key your microphone, think about what went before, and if you're not sure, spend an hour online and have a read. I'm sure you'll find things you didn't know. Perhaps you'll be inspired to write down and document some of your own achievements.

One thing's for certain. If it's not written down, it didn't
happen and if that's the case, no-one will know if they're repeating the same lesson you just learnt.

I'm Onno, vk6flab

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL,
Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART AR Victoria and the WW sources of the WIA.

NOMINATION DEADLINE APPROACHING FOR ARRL INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN AWARD

The deadline to nominate an amateur or group of amateurs for the 2011 ARRL International Humanitarian Award is coming up -- December 31, 2011. This award is conferred upon an amateur or amateurs who demonstrate devotion to human welfare, peace and international understanding through Amateur Radio. The League established the annual prize to recognize Amateur Radio operators who have used ham radio to provide extraordinary service to others in times of crisis or disaster.

As one of the few telecommunication services that allows people throughout the world from all walks of life to meet and talk with each other, Amateur Radio spreads goodwill across political boundaries.

The ARRL International Humanitarian Award recognizes the Amateur Radio Service's unique role in international communication and the assistance amateurs regularly provide to people in need.

Read more here
www.arrl.org/news/

IC chip inventors birthday

We celebrate the birthday of the late Robert Norton Noyce, nicknamed "the Mayor of Silicon Valley", who co-founded Fairchild Semiconductors and along with Jack Kilby invented the integrated circuit.

While in college his physics professor got hold of two of the very first transistors out of Bell Laboratories and Noyce was hooked.

The field was so young that when Noyce went to MIT in 1948 he knew more about transistors than many of his professors.

His first job was as a research engineer, he then joined the Shockley Semiconductor Laboratory and later co-founded Fairchild Semiconductors. Noyce and Gordon Moore founded Intel in 1968 when they left Fairchild and it became a market leader.

The integrated circuit was one of the stepping stones toward what he take for granted today, the ubiquitous microprocessor.

Noyce was born on December 12, 1927 and died in 1990 at the age of 62. He was looked up to as a father-figure to an entire generation of entrepreneurs and gave the Silicon Valley its name.

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

FCC GRANTS SECONDARY SERVICE ALLOCATION TO WIRELESS BROADBAND MEDICAL MICROPOWER NETWORKS

Ham radio will soon be sharing the 70 centimetre band with micro-power medical devices in the USA.

At its regular meeting on Wednesday, November 30,
the four-member FCC Commission unanimously agreed
to allocate spectrum and adopt service and
technical rules for the utilization of new
implanted medical devices that operate on 413 to
457 MHz spectrum. These devices will be used on a
secondary basis as part of the Medical Data
Radiocommunication Service in Part 95 of the FCC rules.

According to the FCC, these devices would greatly
expand the use of functional electric stimulation
to restore sensation, mobility and function to
those persons with paralysed limbs and organs;
they would be implanted in a patient and function
as wireless broadband medical micro power networks or MMN's.

These new rules are the result of a Notice of
Proposed Rule Making that the FCC released in
March 2009. A Report & Order that will define
these new rules is expected soon.

As hams already know, the Amateur Radio Service
in the United States also has a secondary

allocation on the 70 cm band from 430 to 450
MHz While it's unlikely that these flea power
devices will bother very many radio amateurs, its
unknown what affect ham radio will have on the
ability of these devices to share spectrum with
hams or any other users of the entire 413 to 457
MHz 70 centimetre allocation.

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2012

January 1-31 VK Ross Hull Memorial VHF UHF Contest

January 14-15 VK Summer VHF-UGF Field Day

March 17-18 VK JOHN MOYLE MEMORIAL FIELD DAY

May 5 VK/trans-Tasman Contest 80metres SSB

June 9-10 VK Shires Contest.

June 25 VK/trans-Tasman Contest 160metres SSB

July First full weekend NZART Memorial Contest

August 11-12 VK Remembrance Day Contest

August 18-19 WW International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend.

IRTS will be celebrating its 80th anniversary next year. Details of a worldwide
contest - CQIR - to take place on Saint Patrick's Day, Saturday 17th March 2012
have just been announced.
Full rules and information are available at www.irts.ie/cqir or by email to
cqir@irts.ie

ROUND UP THOSE CW QSOS IN THE ARRL CW ROOKIE ROUNDUP

The ARRL's Rookie Roundup comes around again on Sunday, December 18.
This time, the focus is on CW operation. The Rookie Roundup is an
on-the air event is designed to help newly licensed amateurs build
their HF and 6 meter operating skills. Similar to the ARRL Novice
Roundup that ran from 1952 until 1995, the Rookie Roundup combines a
competitive event with some on-the-air training, bringing fun and
Elmering into the 21st century. Three Rookie Roundups -- SSB, RTTY and
CW -- are held each calendar year: The CW running of the Rookie Roundup
will take place Sunday, December 18 from 1800-2359 UTC. Read more here
http://www.arrl.org/news/round-up-those-cw-qsos-in-the-arrl-cw-rookie-roundup

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

KH0UY and KH0K will be operational from Saipan in the Northern Mariana Islands
between January 7th to the 10th. Their activity will be on 80 through 6 meters,
plus the satellites.
QSL via their home call signs of JO3FRH and JE4SMQ.

HB9IQB, has been granted a license by the Ministry of Telecommunications & Technology in Ramallah, and plans to be active as E44PM.

Operations will last for 7 days from December 6.

He announced this past week, "Taking into consideration the many E-mails from SSB Ops, I will try to spend not less than 20% of the time in that mode. CW will be my main mode."

For more details and updates, visit

http://www.hb9iqb.ch/palestine.html

INTRUDER WATCH - ENFORCEMENT ZONE

Region III IARUMS Coordinator Peter Young VK3MV

VK IARUMS reflector email to subscribe intruders@wia.org.au

INTRUDER NETS
Friday 0730 UTC 7.065.5 with VK4CEU David.

Amateur exclusive frequencies where any non-amateur signal is definitely an intruder.

Amateur HF Spectrum world wide
7.050 to 7.100
14.000 to 14.250
14.250 to 14.350 No broadcasters
21.000 to 21.450
24.890 to 24.990
28.000 to 29.700

Russian Military OFDM in 40m

The November issue of the IARU Monitoring System (IARUMS) newsletter reports that the Russian military have been transmitting on 7000.8 kHz using OFDM112

The International Amateur Radio Union Monitoring System (IARUMS) Region 1 November 2011 newsletter can be read at
http://www.iarums-r1.org/iarums/news2011/news1111.pdf

The Intruder-Logger, is open to all users worldwide.
You can store your intruder observations in real time mode!
Use this system and read the entries from all parts of the world!
http://peditio.net/intruder/bluechat.cgi

Monitor the short wave bands on-line with a web based SDR receiver at
http://sdrspace.com/

http://www.websdr.org/

IARU Monitoring System
http://www.iaru-r1.org

MEDIA WATCH
www.cq-amateur-radio.com/WorldRadio.html

VK Club Bulletins http://groups.yahoo.com/group/aarnie/

Welcome to QNews from VK4WIA. I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP, and I've been thinking about the matter of our Sunday News broadcasts.

I would like to offer my deep appreciation to all who make it possible. The correspondents, the rebroadcasters and clubs who keep the news coming. Especially I thank our inveterate News Editor, Graham, VK4BB who with his support crew spend many volunteer hours on making it happen. Home life and work manage to allow our broadcast team to follow the Amateurs code, somehow keeping life in balance.

Many thanks to you all and to our listeners - may you enjoy the best festive season offerings and all the New Year can offer.

I'm Geoff VK4ZPP and that's what I think....how about you?

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- CW
FISTS Club - East Asia www.feacw.net
FISTS Club - Australasia www.fistsdownunder.org
FISTS Club - UK & Europe www.fists.co.uk
FISTS Club - Americas www.fists.org

ANNUAL NEW YEAR BREAK FOR VK2BWI BROADCASTS

The VK2BWI slow morse practice broadcasts, heard weekly on thursday evenings at 2000 hours local time, on 3.550 MHz, will be taking a break over the new year.

The last broadcast for 2011 will be on Thursday the 22nd of December. Broadcasts will resume on Thursday the 2nd of February 2012.

Ross VK2ER and Geoff VK2BGP would like to thank listeners for their support and interest throughout the year. Call-backs remained more or less constant in number and were always much appreciated.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- DIGITAL
Australian Coordinator for TCPIP domains is Indy vk2xb@wia.org.au

NEW VERSION OF ROS RELEASED

A new version of ROS data software has released by author Jos&#65533; Alberto Nieto Ros, EA5HVK. The updates include improved performance for High Frequency N-V-I-S communications.

Also, as of December 1st the code structure of ROS HF was changed in order to support mid to low band NVIS propagation. Versions prior to 6.8.4 will be incompatible with the latest version.

There is no change to the Medium Frequency and E-M-E modes.

You can download the new version of ROS from
rosmodem.wordpress.com/2011/01/10/ros-2

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

AMSAT-VK UNOFFICIAL HF Net.
2nd Sunday each month.
April through October 1000 UTC 3.685 MHz
November through March 0900 UTC 7.068 MHz

HAM RADIO IN SPACE: ISS SHADOW BEACON EXPERIMENT POSTPONED

The recently announced Plasma Thrust space
"Shadow-beacon" experiment using amateur radio
has been postponed until after the delivery of a
new rig next April. This, because of a problem
with the current gear on-board the orbiting outpost.

Sergey Samburov RV3DR, of the Russian space
corporation "Energia" is among those responsible
for amateur radio operations from the ISS. He
says that the onboard radio was self-switched
onto the standard simplex frequency of145.825 MHz
instead of the required duplex 144.360 / 145.825
MHz digipeater mode because of the old age of the
gear. It has been in use more than 10 years.

Samburov says that a new radio is planned to be
delivered to the ISS by cargo vehicle in
April. Because of this, Mission Control Centre
plans to hold the "Shadow-beacon" sessions in May
or June of 2012.

(ARNewsLine)

REWIND

PYE - Calling V.H.F.

A 1955 instructional film, produced by the Cambridge based Pye Telecommunications for sales engineers on V.H.F. communications equipment and how to sell it.

Stephen Jack describes how V.H.F. communications can benefit the police, ambulances and taxis and factories. He explains three classes of prospect, those who know V.H.F. and want it, those who know but think they don't want it and those who don't yet know. The salesman must convince their customers of the economics of V.H.F. communications and how the scheme is worthwhile to them.

Pye was an electronics company founded in Cambridge, and has been known as Pye Radio Works Ltd, Pye Ltd, Pye Telecommunications, Philips Radio Communications Systems (PRCS), Philips Telecom-PMR and Simoco International Ltd.

It was founded in 1896 by William George Pye, an employee of the Cavendish Laboratory, and manufactured instruments that were used for teaching and research Pye Communications Ltd division was formed in February 1944, where it designed and produced radio communications equipment when the war ended.

This company developed and grew into the leading UK producer of mobile radio equipment for commercial, business, industrial, police and government purposes.

Watch Calling V.H.F. at
http://www.eafa.org.uk/catalogue/1801

Pye Telecom Wireless Heritage
http://www.pyetelecomhistory.org/

SOCIAL SCENE 2012

15TH IARU REGION 3 CONFERENCE hosted by V.A.R.C. in Ho-Chi-Minh City, Vietnam.

JAN 23-FEB 17 YEAR 2012
World Radio Conference, Geneva 23rd January TO 17th February 2012

FEB 12 VK3 CentreVictoria Hamfest, Kyneton Racecourse.

All roads will lead to the RadioFest at Kyneton less than an hour
from Melbourne, Ballarat and Bendigo.

Major traders are there, a huge area for second-hand sellers and
a club corner for displays and promotion.

The Centre Victoria RadioFest, Kyneton Racecourse is on Sunday the
12th of February.

Points are contact are:
Commercial Traders Liaison, Barry Robinson VK3PV 0428 516 001
Second hand tables are space, Ross Pittard VK3CE 0408 533 107
Club Corner Precinct, Tony Hambling VK3VTH 0423 635 152

FEB 26 VK2 CCARC WYONG FIELD DAY

APR 14-15 VK WIA National Field Day.

MAY 3-18 VK5 YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

MAY 5- 6 VK4 RADAR and MARC Clairview Gathering

MAY 25-27 VK3 WIA Annual Conference Mildura

As we get ready for the Christmas break, may I remind you of the
WIA Annual Conference, to be held in Mildura on May 25, 26 and 27
next year.

I visited Mildura a couple of weeks ago, and met with Noel and
Garry from the Sunraysia Club and I am convinced it will be a
great event.

I also know many people who are planning to come, who say they
will register soon.

May I ask that if you are planning to come, you register now and
book your hotel now. That will really help us in our planning!

Also, may I remind you that the Board will be meeting in February
and we would like to plan the 2013 Annual Conference. If you club
or a group of clubs is thinking of suggesting that the WIA 2013
Annual Conference be held with your support in your interesting

area, please let us know soon and before February.

Submitting news items

If you would like to submit news items for inclusion in the
VK1WIA broadcasts, please email your item in text to nationalnews@wia.org.au

to submit audio read "how to submit items" in the weekly news page on
wia.org.au

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being
broadcast in the very next edition of WIA National News.

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even get a "cheerio call".

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1185. [DXNL] DXNL 1758 (Dec 14, 2011)

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DX Newsletter

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(http://www.darcdxhf.de)

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4J, AZERBAIJAN
The very first amateur radio callsign in Azerbaijan "RA29" was issued
in Goygol (formerly known as Helenendorf) 85 years ago. The special
event stations 4J29RA and 4K29RA are celebrating this event.
QSL via 4J5T.

5V, TOGO
Arnaud,F4FOO, will appear as 5V7MA in SSB on 20m and 10m during his
spare time from Dec 19 until Jan 4. He will use a TS-450S, an IC-706
and a Hexbeam. QSL via bureau to his homecall.
See also: http://www.f4foo.com/5v7ma.htm

A6, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES
Gerry,A6/VE6LB, will be active in holiday style running 100 watts into
a G5RV antenna in CW mostly on 10m/12m from Dec 20 until Jan 10.
QSL via homecall, LoTW.
See also: http://www.telusplanet.net/public/telwest/ve6lb.htm

CE, CHILE
The special event station XR45EI is celebrating the 45th anniversary
of the newspaper "La Estrella De Iquique" until Dec 25.
QSL via CE1SZZ (Caupolican Marquez Vergara, editor since 1997).

E4, PALESTINE
Peri,HB9IQB, will show up as E44PM in CW/SSB/RTTY on 40m-10m for one
week starting on Dec 16. His equipment includes an Elecraft K2/100 with
KAT-100 and vertical antennas. QSL via homecall & LoTW.
See also: http://www.hb9iqb.ch/palestine.html

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS, OC-013
Andy,AB7FS (E51AND, ZK1AND and ZK2AND), will be QRV in holiday style

signing E51AND from Arorangi Beach on Rarotonga (OC-013) from Dec 19-31
He makes slow CW with a hand key on 14050 kHz +/- QRM and you can find
him also in the ANZA net (14183 kHz on 0515 UTC).
He writes: "I am not a DXer, rather a ragchewer - so please be patient
with my operating style. I am on the air to have fun, more than working
a maximum number of contacts in a short period of time." Being a member
of the Straight Key Century Club (SKCC #7723) he is also interested in
QSOs with other club members. QSL via homecall.

PJ2, CURACAO, SA-099
Jeff,K8ND, is going to visit Curacao (SA-099, WLOTA LH-0942) for the
19th time to activate PJ2T from "Signal Point" from Dec 14-20.
He will take part in the Stew Perry 160m Contest and wants to surpass
the score of Jerry,PJ2/WB9Z, from 2005 (5059 points/385 QSOs/229 Grids)
QSL via W3HNK. See also: http://www.pj2t.org/ccc/default.htm

UR, UKRAINE
The special event station EM1000USK celebrates the millenium of the
St. Sophia Cathedral in Kiev until Jan 31, 2012. QSL via UT8UF.

V3, BELIZE
Norman,5B4AIF, will be QRV as V31NB from Placencia (at V31MD's rental
shack) in SSB from Dec 16-27. He also plans to join the upcoming
OK/OM DX RTTY Contest. Unfortunately QSL only direct via EB7DX.
See also: http://www.clublog.org/logsearch/V31NB

OPs Wanted
The 4M5DX group is still looking for operators for a DXpedition to
Aves Island (with navy transport) lasting for about 7-12 days.

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de
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Kelly,N0VD, has developped the new DX cluster DX2GO for smartphones.
See also: http://m.dx2go.com

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Dec 16: AGB Party Contest
Dec 17: OK DX RTTY Contest
Dec 17: RAC Canada Winter Contest
Dec 17/18: Croatian CW Contest
Dec 17/18: Stew Perry Topband Distance Challenge
Dec 18: RTC Party
Dec 18: QRP-ARCI Holiday Spirits Homebrew Sprint

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:

US Island Award: Jerry,N1QLL, will be QRV from Little River (USI: ME096S, no IOTA) working in SSB on Dec 17/18. Preferred frequencies: 10m/15m/ 20m/40m, xx.270 +/-. QSL via homecall (bureau/direct).

SA-036, Aruba, P4: Randy,P43W, president of the Aruba Radio Club, writes that the clubstation P41HQ is active from Dec 9-31 to promote a modern amateur radio law. The P4 license is not valid even in The Netherlands and there was no amateur radio exam in the past ten years.
HAM radio is very important in this country threatened by hurricanes. Please support them and send QSLs (no dollars, IRCs, SAE, even without a QS, see also QRZ.com) with the note: "SUPPORT AMATEUR RADIO IN ARUBA" direct to: Ing. Mike de Meza, Minister of Communication, L.G. Smith Boulevard #76, Oranjestad, Aruba, West Indies

Bandspots of the last 7 days

160m
EN20C 1.830 2005Z via UX7CQ
TF4M 1.821 1453Z (B)

30m
A45XR 10.123 1711Z (B), (L)
LZ1363PTT 10.104 0651Z (B)
R1941MB 10.105 1721Z via R2DX (B), (L)
UP20L 10.120 1547Z via UN8LWF
SX100A 10.117 1544Z (B)
XW3DT 10.118 1609Z
5Z4HW 10.103 0527Z via DL7DF (B)
9L0W 10.105 0538Z via DK2WV (B)

20m
EA8/EA2DCA/p 14.260 1610Z SOTA LA-002
EA8/EA2DNO/p 14.260 1702Z SOTA LA-002
NE1SJ 14.062 1708Z SOTA W1/CR-003
SX100A 14.003 1612Z (B)

17m
FS/DM2XO 18.073 1425Z NA-105, via DM2XO (B)
W7/G6WRW/P 18.142 1756Z SOTA W7/CK-175

15m
J68UN 21.030 1635Z via N7UN (L), (d)
K4QS 21.061 1841Z SOTA 4/SH-011
P29FR 21.270 0939Z via I2RFJ (B)
4J85W 21.009 1200Z via DL6KVA (B)
7X4AN 21.017 1601Z (d)

10m
BA8AT 28.019 0927Z (B)
FS/DL2RUM 28.027 1504Z via DL2RUM (B), (L)
HS0ZGQ 28.442 0851Z via DL1MJF (B)
KP3CW 28.040 1549Z

LU7XWC 28.025 1604Z
NH7O 28.450 0923Z (L), eQSL or EA5GL
VK6ANC 28.460 0930Z (B)
VP5/W5CW 28.005 1518Z via W5CW (d)
ZL4PW 28.021 1438Z (B) OC-134
6W/AA1AC 28.010 0917Z via AA1AC (B)

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(L) = LoTW
(r) = bureau QSL via e-mail request

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

09Dec-09Jan 3D2AG/p 1757
-Dec 3Y8XSA 1700/1717
Unknown 4J29RA.. 1758 *
12Dec-10Mar 4S7KKG 1757
19Dec-04Jan 5V7MA 1758 *
Unknown 5W0OJ 1757
15Nov-17Dec 5R8IC 1753
23Nov-14Dec 5X1NH 1755
-2014 5Z4EE 1742/1753
-Apr/12 5Z4RH ? 1674
-31Mar 8J1ING 1751
-Sep/12 8J2NDP.. 1751
31Jan 8J4EQ 1754
10Dec-Mar/12 8J6HAM 1757
-31Dec 9A11P 1723
-2012 9J2RI 1739/1742
Long term 9N1FE 1740
Soon 9Q1EK 1669
-Oct/14 9V1RM 1751

-Sep/13 A52SV 1752
20Dec-10Jan A6/VE6LB 1758 *
-31Dec BP100 1684
-31Dec BV100 1684/1755/1756
-Mar/12 CE9VPM 1752
15Oct-20Dec CN2LO.. 1753
-31Dec CW5RV 1711
05Oct-31Dec CY0/VE1AWW 1748
-Jul/12 D2QV 1750
-Apr/12 D2SG 1748
-Feb/13 DP0GVN 1756
-31Dec DP30OVW 1757
16Dec-23Dec E44PM 1758 *
19Dec-31Dec E51AND 1758 *
01Dec-28Feb EM0BSCC/mm 1756

-31Jan EM1000USK 1758 *
01Dec-30Dec EM20C.. 1756

-Mar/13 FH8NX 1747
-10Jan FR/F6CAM 1757
-Jul/12 FR8NE 1710
18Nov-15Dec GB2PG 1755
-31Dec GB40HMSB 1748
Dec GX4BJC/A.. 1757
-31Dec HB60LU 1711
-31Dec HG15IPA 1724
01Jan-31Dec HG200LST 1708
-09Jan HH2/HB9AMO 1756
Sep -2013 HI3/KL7JR 1745
NOW HL2/KC6STQ 1746
01Jan-31Dec IA7MM 1708
-Dec/12 ID9DXC.. 1755
-Feb II0MZ 1755
01Jan-31Dec II1ITA.. 1708
-31Dec II4LXV 1742

-2012 J28FJ 1739
-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul/12 J28RO 1683
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
Dec JG8NQJ/JD1 1739/1756
-Apr/12 KC4AAC 1757
-2013 KG4AJ 1756
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
-May/12 KH4/W5FJG 1728
Postponed KH5 1674/1705/1741
-31Dec LA200D 1713
-31Dec LM9L40Y 1748
05Dec-25Dec LY100SP 1756
Dec LZ1363PTT 1756
-31Dec LZ85R 1721
17Dec/18Dec N1QLL 1758 *
-Mar/12 OA/OE3NHW 1749
-31Dec ON30CLM 1753
-Feb/12 OR4TN 1754

Long term P29FM 1752
-Mar/12 P29FR 1742
-31Dec P41HQ 1758 *
01Jan-31Dec PA30.. 1708
14Dec-20Dec PJ2T 1758 *
-Apr/12 PJ4/PE1MAE 1753
01Dec-28Dec PG65ISWL 1756
-Dec RI1ANC 1708
-Sep/12 RI1FJA 1741
-Sep/12 RI1FJM 1741

NOW ST2AR 1745
Unknown SU9VB 1754
-Apr/12 T6BP 1746
-Jun/12 T6MO 1733
07Dec-16Dec T8CC.. 1757
Unknown TL8ES 1755
-Jul/12 TN9SN 1755
23Oct-23Dec TT8PK 1670/1723/1752

-31Dec UP20B.. 1757
16Dec-27Dec V31NB 1758 *
17Nov-14Dec V5/DJ4SO 1700/1701/1715/1754
02Dec-16Jan V5/DJ2BQ.. 1756
-Nov/14 V73NS 1604/1668/1752
-Dec/11 VK0BFG 1741
NOW VK0TH (Macq) 1748
Nov VK100ARV 1752
-14Dec VP5CW.. 1756
-Feb/12 VP8DMH 1757
28Oct-31Dec VP9/N1SV 1747
28Oct-31Dec VP9/N1SV 1751
-Jul/12 VQ9JC 1755
12Dec-15Dec W8XGI/KH2 1757
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
-25Dec XR45EI 1758 *
Unknown XV9DX.. 1756
-31Dec ZL50GH 1711
Dec ZF2HZ 1756
-29Dec ZK2V.. 1749/1756
-2012 ZS7KX 1740/1749

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

A6/VE6LB via VE6LB (B)
A71CV via NI5DX (d)
A71EM via EA7FTR
BA1BJ via K1NIU (d)
C6ATR via N6XG
CE3FZL via (d)
CE4A via VE3LYC (B)
CN2LO via ON4LO (B)
CT8/W1NN via W1NN
CX3TQ via IK2DUW (B)
DL/N2WB via N2OO (B)
DL/ON6UU/p via ON6UU
DU1IST via JA1HGY (B)
E44PM via HB9IQB, (L)
E51AND via AB7FS (d)

E7DX via E77E (B)
EA8/DL3FCG via DL3FCG (B), (L), eQSL
EA8/DL3OH via DL3OH (B)
EA8/IK1PMR via IK1PMR (d)
ED7FCD via EA7URS (B)
EG2ISC via EA2VE (B), (L)
EH5DC via EA5KB (B)
EM1000USK via UT8UF (B)
EO20HC via UT2HC (B), (L)
EO20IM via UW5IM
FR/F6CAM via F6CAM
FR5DZ via F6CXV (B)
FS/DL2RUM via DL2RUM (B), (L)
FS/DM2XO via DM2XO (B)
FY5KE via FY1FL (B)
GB65ISWL via G6XOU (B), eQSL
GX4BJC/A via G6XOU (B), eQSL
HB9SOLAR via HB9ACA (B)
HF3R via SP3GEM (B)
HG6N via HA6KNB (d)
HI3A via ON4IQ (B)
HI8HH via K5YY (d)
HS0ZGQ via DL1MJF (B)
HV50VR via I0JBL (d)
II0UI via IZ0TTE (B)
II1IAME via IZ8QNX (B)
IO5O via IK5RLP (B)
IR2R via IZ2EWR (B)
IS0/K7QB via IN3QBR
J6/AA40C via AA4OC (d), (L)
J6/K9CJM via K9CJM (d), (L)
J6/N7BF via N7B (d), (L)
J6/WD9CMD via WD9CMD (d), (L)
J6/WF2S via WF2S (d), (L)
J67ZF via (d)
J68HZ via K9HZ (B), eQSL
J79WTA via HB9MFM (B)
JD1AHC via JA1BVA
JW7XM via LA7XM (B)
KH6/K3BI via JJ3AZA (B), (L)
KP2VI via EB7DX (d)
LR2F via LU2FA (d)
LT5X via WD9EWK (B)
LU/DL3KZA via DL3KZA (B)
MX1SWL/A via G6XOU (B), eQSL
MX1SWL/p via G6XOU (B), eQSL
NP2N via WA0ROI, (B)
OH8X via OH2UA (B)
OH9TT via OH8MSM
OL3Z via OK1HMP

OM3RRC via OM3CLS (B)
OR2A via ON1CB
P41HQ via Ing. Mike de Meza, Minister of Communication,
L.G. Smith Boulevard #76, Oranjestad, Aruba, West Indies
PJ2/WI9WI via WI9WI (B)
PW2D via M0OXO (B), (L), OQRS
PY2LSM via 6K5YPD (B)
R1941OM via UA3A
ST2UOK via EA7FTR
UE70K via RN3DK
V31NB via EB7DX (d)
XR45EI via CE1SZZ
YU1EQ via YT2AA (B)
ZF2AH via W6VNR (B)
ZP5X via ZP5DBC
ZP5/LU9ESD via LU9ESD (L), (d)
3V8SS via LX1NO (B) (ARRL 10m Contest)
3Z50HK via SP5ZRW (B)
4J29RA via 4J5T (B)
4K29RA via 4J5T (B)
4K85K via 4K4K (d)
4L1HD via DL8KAC (d)
5V7MA via F4FOO (B)
8P5A via W2SC (B)
9N1DX via 4Z4DX (B)

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(*) = new QSL manager
(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) = e-mail request

QSL Manager: US stations should send their QSLs for the past 3D2R DXpedition
(Oct 2011) to the new QSL manager for US stations WD5COV.

QSLs arrived direct: PJ7X (F6EXV), ST0R (EA5RM), VK9CX (DL7AFS),
XF4LWY (XE1IH), XV1X (OK1DOT), 4W6A (M0URX)

QSLs arrived LoTW: PJ2T, TJ9PF, 7Q7GM

DXCC Desk clarifies Russian prefixes which count for European Russia
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For the purposes of the DXCC and WAC awards, the following Russian prefixes
count as European Russia:
Any call with the prefixes R, RA-RZ and the numbers 1/2/3/4/5/6/7
Any call with the prefixes U, UA-UI and the numbers 1/2/3/4/5/6/7
Exception:
Prefixes R, RA-RZ, U, UA-UI with the number 2 and suffixes beginning with
F or K, count as Kaliningrad. Also, some legacy calls such as UA2CZ are in
Kaliningrad.
>From Dec 1, 2011 forward, any QSO (with any date) with stations using the
following prefixes, count for European Russia:

Any call with the prefixes R, RA-RZ, U, UA-UI and the numbers 8 and 9,
followed by a suffix beginning with the letters F, G or X (Perm and Komi).
Since Russia joined CEPT, there are stations active with call signs that do
not indicate DXCC entity. These types of portable call signs will be managed
individually in the DXCC system.
Note: The prefix U5 was issued to WWII veterans in the Ukraine.
See also: http://www.iaru-r1.org/index.php?option=com_remository&Itemid=173&
func=startdown&id=346

Maximum power in New Zealand increased

Don Wallace,ZL2TLL, writes on the website of the New Zealand amateur radio
clubs NZART that the "Radio Frequency Management" of the Ministry of
Economic Development in New Zealand increased the maximum power allowed
from 500 watts to 1 kW.
The Wireless Institute of Australia (WIA) is negotiating with the Australian
Communications and Media Authority (ACMA) to increase the power in Australia
as well. The club has filed a new petition to ACMA with a copy of the
New Zealand regulations.

Many thanks for contributing to this issue of the DXNL are going to:
Carl Smith (QRZ DX), 425DXNews, OPDX Bulletin, DF6EX (WIN-QSL), DJ5AV,
DJ6VM, DJ9ZB, DK8SR, DL1MDV, DL1SBF, DL7MAE, F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX,
NG3K, DL7VOA and others.

The German PDF version can be found on the DARC homepage at:
http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxmb/2011

Subscribe or unsubscribe to the DXNL mailing list yourself at:
http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxnl

1186. [RAC-Bulletin] SASKATCHEWAN is Missing! Act Quickly. The RAC Winter Day contest is December 17, 0000 to 2359 UTC.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-16 03:39:02 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4EEABD08.7030409@rac.ca>
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VIA Geoff Bawden, VE4BAW:

SASKATCHEWAN is Missing! Act Quickly. The RAC Winter Day contest is
December 17, 0000 to 2359 UTC.

The great province of Saskatchewan is missing from the RAC Winter Day
contest! Traditionally VE5RAC is on the air twice a year for both the
Canada Day and Winter Day Contest but is absent this weekend. Unless
you VE5s can help.

Is there an HF qualified, RAC member out there that would like the fun
of being VE5RAC? International contacts [outside Canada] are worth 2
points, Canadian contacts are worth 10 points and an official RAC
station [VE5RAC] is worth 20 points! You will be on the right side of
the pile-up!

You can have one or there can be many operators. The rules are
available at the RAC website: www.rac.ca .

http://www.rac.ca/en/rac/programmes/contests/files/2011%20Canada%20Day%20Rules%20-%20English.pdf

will get you the rules,

http://www.rac.ca/en/rac/programmes/contests/files/RAC%20Contest%20Software.ZIP

will get you the logging software and
http://www.rac.ca/service/contesting/files/RAC%20Contest%20Entry%20Form%20(Current%20Year).pdf will get you some forms.Everyone that I know thinks
that being a RAC operator is great fun.

Use the logging software .. it will make life easy for both the
operators and the team that analyzes the results. Send the results to
me electronically. Hay-family@shaw.ca . Send me a note if you are
interested.

Act fast!

Derek Hay VE4HAY
Mid-Western Regional Director

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1187. NZART Headquarters Infoline special issue 31s

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-16 03:40:19 UTC
From: "ZL1AMW (infoline)" <infoline@nzart.org.nz>
Message-ID: <1E6C5DC4D0B340829AF8F18D28D0D507@AlanLaptop>
Source record: 3777
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NZART Headquarters Infoline Special Issue 31s

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Headquarters: Debby says…

In my last issue of HQ Info-line I advised the next circulation date would be Friday the 6th February. Not sure what calendar I was looking at when I said this, as it should have been Friday 3rd February, with the closing date for articles on Thursday 2nd February.

HQ will be closed from Saturday 24th December until Tuesday 10th January.

A Ham’s Night Before Christmas
Just in time for the Christmas season, Gary, KN4AQ, has created a video version of Clement Clark Moore's poem The Night Before Christmas. But Gary’s version has a decidedly amateur radio twist. Entitled A Ham's Night Before Christmas, it features QST magazine covers and Christmas-themed advertisements from days gone by. You can see the video at www.tinyurl.com/KN4AQ-Night-Before-Christmas

This is well worth watching and much fun, thanks Gary, RSGB and GB2RS.

Winner of the Icom T82 Handheld

Last week an Icom T82 Handheld was presented to John Moore at the Branch 30 Clubrooms at the end of the Branch AGM

The Handheld was presented by Councillor Terry Thomas ZL4TAE, to John who won the draw for payment of NZART Subs by 30 Nov 2011

A message from our ALO Don Wallace ZL2TLL

Proposed Changes Affecting the 130 to 190 kHz Amateur Band

Members may recall that the ALO asked for input regarding the MED's proposal to increase the allowable power for short range devices in the 9-190 kHz band.

Based on input from members, the following submission has been sent to the MED:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on your proposal to increase the permitted power for short range devices in the 9-190 kHz band.

As you will be aware, the only part of the proposal that affects Amateurs is the proposed increase in power from -20 dBW (43 dBµA/m

@10m) to 3 dBW (66 dBµA/m @10m) over the sub-band 130 - 135 kHz.

After considering your proposal, we have formed the view that the proposed 23 dB increase in allowed radiated power for short range devices (which we believe are primarily used for livestock and companion animal RFID devices) will have no material effect on reception on the 130 - 190 kHz Amateur band.

We would, however, like to stress that this is based on the assumption that LF short range devices:

• will continue to be type approved and

• will not be modified by the end-user.

We are aware that it is very easy for end-users to tinker with such devices in the mistaken belief of improving performance or saving money - to the detriment of the carefully designed radiation performance. We would recommend that any agreement to increase the power is given subject to suppliers being required to include a warning of the dangers of modifying the devices with each device they supply - maybe via a warning in the instructions and the advertising for the devices.

Subject to a satisfactory mechanism for communicating the dangers of modification being put in place, NZART has no objection to the proposed increase in power.

Don Wallace

NZART Administration Liaison Officer.

1188. The ARRL Letter for December 15, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-16 04:17:16 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
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This is the final edition of The ARRL Letter for 2011. Both The ARRL
Letter and ARRL Audio News will resume on Thursday, January 5, 2012.
Thanks for reading The ARRL Letter each week -- we'll see you next
year!

==> + HAM RADIO IN HOLLYWOOD: COMEDIAN TIM ALLEN STARS AS RADIO AMATEUR
ON NEW TV SHOW
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Tim Allen -- star of Home Improvement, Toy Story, The Santa Clause and Galaxy Quest, just to name a few -- stars in Last Man Standing, an ABC comedy airing at 8 PM (EST) on Tuesday nights. Allen plays Mike Baxter, KA0XTT, a married father of three and the director of marketing at an outdoor sporting goods store in Colorado whose life is dominated by women. While Amateur Radio has not been prominently featured in the first episodes, according to John Amodeo, NN6JA -- the producer of Last Man Standing -- it is a part of the show and an important part of Mike's character. At press time, the episode that will establish Mike as a radio amateur is scheduled to air mid-January.

"Tim's character Mike is involved in creating the sales strategy for the store, including their catalog and Internet identity," Amodeo told the ARRL. "The store is like Bass Pro Shops or Cabelas. There is a strong self-sufficiency overtone to Mike's approach to life. Ham radio fits in the story as a means of emergency communication. It's not directly featured in the foreground story, but at the moment, it's a background element on the home set. Once I allow something to be put on the set, there's a chance the writers will feature it. Now that we have actually established Mike Baxter as KA0XTT, we can do more things featuring Amateur Radio." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/em-ham-radio-in-hollywood-em-comedian-tim-allen-stars-as-radio-amateur-on-new-tv-show>.

==> + DISTRACTED DRIVING: NTSB URGES STATES TO BAN CELL PHONE USE BY DRIVERS

On Tuesday, December 13, the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) recommended that States ban the nonemergency use of all cellular telephones and other "portable electronic devices" (PEDs) by drivers of motor vehicles. This would include hands-free cell phone operation and all text messaging while mobile. While this NTSB recommendation has been the lead story in national media, the "distracted driving" issue has been receiving serious attention for several years. A number of states and municipalities have prohibited texting and handheld cellular telephone use by all or some drivers, though none has gone so far as to outlaw all hands-free cell phone use. To avoid unintended consequences to Amateur Radio operation, the ARRL has been closely involved with this issue for several years. The full text of the NTSB report is not yet available, and it is not yet known whether the broad term "portable electronic devices" might be construed as including all or some Amateur Radio equipment.

On January 30, 2009, the Executive Committee of the ARRL Board of Directors approved and released an ARRL position paper on Mobile Amateur Radio Operation. In that paper, the ARRL encourages licensees to conduct Amateur Radio communications from motor vehicles in a manner that does not detract from the safe and attentive operation of a motor vehicle at all times, but points out that mobile two-way radio equipment has been in use for at least 70 years and is quite dissimilar from full-duplex cell phones. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/ntsb-urges-states-to-ban-cell-phone-use-by-drivers>

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==> + LEGISLATIVE NEWS: HOUSE-PASSED PAYROLL TAX BILL INCLUDES AMATEUR RADIO STUDY

The Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2011 (HR 3630) -- the bill to extend the payroll tax reduction that passed the US House of Representatives on Tuesday, December 13 -- includes among its many other provisions the "Jumpstarting Opportunity with Broadband Spectrum Act" or "JOBS Act" that passed the Communications and Technology Subcommittee on December 1. The JOBS Act makes up Title IV of HR 3630. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/house-passed-payroll-tax-bill-includes-amateur-radio-study>.

==> + ON THE AIR: NEW RULES FOR 60 METERS HAVE YET TO TAKE EFFECT

Last month, the FCC released <http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-releases-new-rules-for-60-meters> a Report & Order (R&O) detailing new rules for the 5 MHz (60 meters) Amateur Radio band. These rules have not been published in the Federal Register. In order to be official, the rules must be published in the Federal Register and will take effect 30 days after the publication date. Any radio amateur who is operating under the new rules before this time is in violation of the current rules. The official date for these new rules will be announced on the ARRL website as soon as the information is available.

==> + HAM RADIO IN THE CLASSROOM: ARRL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE APPROVES GRANT FUNDING FOR TWO SCHOOLS

Earlier this month, the ARRL Executive Committee reviewed grant applications <http://www.arrl.org/etp-grants> for the ARRL's Education & Technology Program (ETP <http://www.arrl.org/education-technology-program>), awarding instructional resources valued at nearly $2000 to two schools. More than 525 schools across the country <http://www.arrl.org/etp-schools> have received support from the ETP in the form of equipment, curriculum and resources, as well as teacher in-service training through the Teachers Institute on Wireless Technology <http://www.arrl.org/teachers-institute-on-wireless-technology>. Applications for equipment and resource grants are accepted twice each year; application deadlines are May 1 and November 1.

A central goal of the ETP is to develop a foundation of wireless technology literacy <http://www.arrl.org/what-is-wireless-technology-literacy> among America's teachers and students. It employs Amateur Radio to explore radio science and electronics and provide hands-on activities that engage students' minds and imaginations, opening doorways into math, science and technology curriculum topics, as well as other core curriculum areas such as geography and language arts. Read more here

<http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-executive-committee-approves-grant-funding-for
-two-schools>.

==> DEADLINE APPROACHING FOR HAMS TO RECOMMEND UPDATES TO MICROWAVE
BAND PLAN

Attention microwavers! An ARRL Ad Hoc Committee has been tasked by the
Board of Directors with recommending updates to the ARRL band plans for
the amateur bands between 902 MHz and 3.5 GHz. If you are now active on
any of these bands or are developing plans to do so, the committee
would like to hear from you by Thursday, December 15.

The band plans for these bands may be found here
<http://www.arrl.org/band-plan-1>:

- 902-928 MHz
- 1240-1300 MHz
- 2300-2310 and 2390-2450 MHz
- 3300-3500 MHz

You can find additional background and a form for submitting
information here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-committee-seeks-microwave-band-plan-input>.

==> THE DOCTOR IS IN: GROUND CONDUCTIVITY AND RADIATION ELEVATION
PATTERNS

Stan Korzep, W8NNX, of Orlando, Florida, was wondering that if he
improved his ground conductivity, would he also improve his radiation
elevation pattern? With this in mind, he wrote to the Doctor: Late last
night as I pondered why -- with 10 meters so hot -- I was not working
any DX stations in the Asia Pacific region. My first thought was that
the competition was too great. I still use the three element trap Yagi
that was on my tower in the 1980s when I had much better luck. Thanks
to my power company, I have a far field noise source that allows a
pretty good check of antenna pattern, F/B and the ability to determine
if there is a gain compared to my other antennas. With a pretty good
SWR, and greater than 20 dB F/B, I believe that the tribander has
survived three hurricanes and two decades of use quite well.

I seem to recall a QST article ["The Antenna Elevation Pattern --
What's the Big Deal? <http://p1k.arrl.org/pubs_archive/137004>" Mar
2010, pages 39-40] that noted that the elevation angle of maximum
radiation was largely determined by the antenna's height. I wonder if
this might be a factor in my lack of success. Since my antenna is
limited to 24 feet by homeowners and county rules, the installation has
not changed in 32 years -- only the results have deteriorated. The
decline in the rainfall over the two decades here at my location (I
maintain two rain gauges in the back yard) may have changed the
apparent ground.

The ground beneath my house and antenna is what the locals call "sugar
sand," one step up from beach sand. Its ability to provide a good

ground is akin to pure distilled water. I read some time ago about the relationship of soil fertility, carbon and soil conductivity. Will improving my ground conductivity improve my radiation elevation pattern? Your thoughts would be appreciated.

Here's what the Doctor had to say:

A better ground will certainly change the elevation contour of your antennas due to reflections -- in phase for vertical antennas (reinforcing the low angle radiation) and out of phase with horizontal (tending to cancel the lowest angles); however, the major impact will occur at some distance from the antenna. The exception is for vertical antennas that use the Earth as part of their ground system -- their efficiency will improve with better conductivity near the base -- independent of the reflection part of the equation.

Your height of 24 feet is interesting for a tribander. That is about 0.35 wavelengths on 20 meters, just above 0.5 wavelengths on 15 and about 0.7 wavelengths on 10 meters. Over EZNEC's "Typical ground" (0.005 S/m conductivity, dielectric constant of 13), that gives the results in Table 1 below on the 10 and 20 meter bands based on my model of a similar tri-bander.

Band (Meters)

Peak Elevation (degrees)

Gain at Peak (dBi)

Gain at 5 degrees (dBi)

Gain at 10 degrees (dBi)

20

35

8.2

-3.9

1.7

10

20

11.9

4.2

9.3

Table 1: Peak Gain and Gain at Elevation Angles for a 24 foot High Yagi over EZNEC "Typical" Ground

The results for 15 meters will be in between. If your ground is less conductive, it will actually be better (less cancellation at low angles); however, you will not get as much reinforcement at the peak angle at which the reflection is in phase. The extreme would be the "free space" case in which there is no ground at all. There the peak is at the horizon and you have the results shown in Table 2 below.

Band (Meters)

Peak Elevation (degrees)

Gain at Peak (dBi)

Gain at 5 degrees (dBi)

Gain at 10 degrees (dBi)

20

0

4.7

4.6

4.7

10

0

6.9

6.9

6.9

Table 2: Peak Gain and Gain at Elevation Angles for a 24 foot High Yagi in Free Space

Thus, with a low horizontal antenna, the long haul performance will be better with a poor ground than with one of high conductivity. This will change as the antenna gets high enough so that the angle of peak gain gets close to the optimum angle for the distance you want to work. This angle will be quite small for few hops to the Pacific -- typically a 6000 to 10,000 mile path. As seen in Figure 1, even at 5 degrees elevation, it will take two to four hops to get there. Again, this is not the ground directly under the antenna, but the ground from which the reflection takes place, some distance away. The higher the antenna is, the further the distance to the ground that will reinforce the peak of the elevation pattern.

Thanks Doctor! Do you have a question or a problem? Send your questions via e-mail <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/AlleghenyValleyRadio/post?postID=zpPOqQ_tDRUgz8PtrOLu7ReN8SebO3NBKYSpUQMK52ADP9llBYDxeNcBsVrABCPPnXowtP8cnIt4> or to "The Doctor," ARRL, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111 (no phone

calls, please). Look for "The Doctor Is IN" every month in QST <http://www.arrl.org/qst>, the official journal of the ARRL.

==> + AMATEUR RADIO BALLOON FLIGHT CROSSES ATLANTIC, SETS RECORDS

<http://www.arrl.org/images/view/News/CNSP_Track.jpg> Ron Meadows, K6RPT, and his son Lee -- leaders of the California Near Space Project -- successfully launched an Amateur Radio high altitude balloon from San Jose, California on Sunday, December 11 at 4:43 PM PST. The balloon reached a cruise altitude between 105,000 and 115,000 feet, where it continued its travel across the United States, the Atlantic Ocean and Spain and into the Mediterranean Sea. For most of its trip, the balloon traveled at about 150 miles per hour and eventually covered 6236 great circle miles in just 57 hours 2 minutes. According to the CNSP, this is a new Amateur Radio balloon flight record for both distance and duration. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/amateur-radio-balloon-flight-crosses-atlantic-sets-records>.

==> HINTS AND KINKS: FOAM PCB HOLDER

Paul Jacobs, W2IOG, of Naples, New York, sent us this idea for assembling small PC boards. Contact Paul via e-mail <phjacobs@gmail.com> for more information.

Here's a simple fixture that makes assembling small PC boards a snap. A scrap piece of 1/4 inch aluminum sheet forms a base for the fixture. Mount two 1-inch standoffs about 1/2 inch farther apart than the longest dimension of the PC board to be assembled. Now cut a piece of 1 inch thick soft foam packing material to slightly larger than the size of the board so that it fits snugly between the standoffs. Mount two crimp type insulated wire terminals to the standoffs; keep the screws slightly loose.

To use the fixture, insert several components into the board, turn both the board and the fixture vertical, press the component side of the board to the foam and return both to the horizontal position. Press down on the board to compress the foam and rotate the two wire terminals to hold the board in place. The weight of the fixture keeps the board in place and the pressure of the foam holds the components firmly to the surface of the board. Soldering them in place is easy.

Do you have an idea or a simple project that has improved your operating? Maybe you've taken something commonly found around the home and developed a ham radio use for it? Why not share your hints with fellow hams in "Hints and Kinks," a monthly column in QST. If we publish your hint in QST or The ARRL Letter, you will receive $20. Send your hints via e-mail to h&k(at)arrl(dot)org or to ARRL Headquarters, Attn: "Hints and Kinks," 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111. Please include your name, call sign, complete mailing address, daytime telephone number and e-mail address.

==> + ARRL HEADQUARTERS TO CLOSE FOR CHRISTMAS, NEW YEAR'S HOLIDAYS

ARRL Headquarters will be closed Monday, December 26 and Monday, January 2 in observance of Christmas and New Year's Day. There will be no W1AW bulletins or code practice transmissions <http://www.arrl.org/w1aw-operating-schedule> those days. There will be no ARRL Letter <http://www.arrl.org/arrlletter/> or ARRL Audio News <http://www.arrl.org/arrl-audio-news> on Thursday, December 22 and 29; both the Letter and Audio News will return on January 5, 2012. We wish everyone a safe and joyful holiday season and a prosperous 2012.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "Sunshine, go away today <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tT6VMQI8PrE>" Cook, K7RA, reports: Solar activity dropped this week, with the average daily sunspot numbers declining more than 39 points to 94.7. It's been 13 weeks since the average daily sunspot number for the week was that low or lower, when we reported an average of 91.7 in the September 16 edition of the Solar Update <http://www.arrl.org/news/the-k7ra-solar-update-182>. The latest USAF/NOAA forecast has the solar flux for December 15-17 at 130, 128 and 126, then 125 on December 18-22, then 150 on December 23-26, 140 on December 27-28, and then 145 on December 29-January 4. The predicted planetary A index is 8 on December 15, 5 on December 16-25, and 8 on December 26-29. Geophysical Institute Prague predicts quiet conditions December 16-18, quiet to unsettled December 19, unsettled December 20 and quiet December 21-22. Look for more information on the ARRL website on Friday, December 16. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by Jonathan Edwards' Sunshine (Go Away Today) <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sunshine_%28Go_Away_Today%29>.

==> + ARRL WARNS MEMBERS TO BE AWARE OF E-MAIL SCAMS

Many ARRL members with arrl.net e-mail accounts have recently received bogus e-mails in a "phishing <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Phishing>" attack. These are scams designed to scare people into e-mailing back personal information -- such as user names and passwords -- to the scammer at an unknown address. This particular attack was more sophisticated than usual, but far from unique.

"There is never a time when we would ask via e-mail for user names and passwords of arrl.net users," explained ARRL IT Manager Michael Keane, K1MK. "There is simply no need to ever do so. If you receive an e-mail asking for personal information and it looks like it originated from ARRL, please do not respond. The best thing you can do when receiving bogus e-mails is to simply add it to the spam list in your computer's e-mail program and delete it. Please don't forward it to ARRL HQ -- we will have already seen it and are already responding to it."

ARRL members -- and anyone who uses e-mail services -- should be constantly aware that e-mail is far from secure. If anyone ever asks

you for personal information via e-mail, it probably is a scam, no matter how pretty or professional their logo or graphics may appear.

==> THIS WEEK IN RADIOSPORT

This week:

- December 16 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder; Russian 160 Meter Contest; AGB-Party Contest
- December 17 -- OK DX RTTY Contest; RAC Winter Contest; Feld Hell Sprint
- December 17, 2011-January 1, 2012 -- Lighthouse Christmas Lights QSO Party
- December 17-18 -- Stew Perry Topband Challenge; Croatian CW Contest
- December 18 -- ARRL Rookie Roundup (CW) <http://www.arrl.org/rookie-roundup>; QRP ARCI Holiday Spirits Homebrew Sprint
- December 19 -- Run for the Bacon QRP Contest

Through January 6, 2012:

- December 28 -- SKCC Sprint
- December 28-29 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test
- December 29 -- NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint
- January 1 -- ARRL Straight Key Night <http://www.arrl.org/straight-key-night>; SARTG New Year RTTY Contest; AGCW Happy New Year Contest
- January 3 -- ARS Spartan Sprint
- January 6 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- January 8, 2012 -- ARRL New York/Long Island Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/new-york-long-island-section-convention-ham-radio-university-2012>,
Bethpage, New York
- January 27-28, 2012 -- ARRL Mississippi State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/mississippi-state-convention-capitol-city-hamfest-1>,
Jackson, Mississippi
- February 4, 2012 -- ARRL Virginia State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/virginia-state-convention-frostfest-2012>,
Richmond, Virginia; ARRL South Carolina State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/south-carolina-state-convention-1>,
Ladson, South Carolina

- February 10-12, 2012 -- ARRL Northern Florida Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/northern-florida-section-convention-orlando-ham
cation-1>,
Orlando, Florida
- February 17-18, 2012 -- ARRL Southwestern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southwestern-division-convention-1>,
Yuma, Arizona
- February 18, 2012 -- ARRL Arkansas Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arkansas-section-convention-1>, Hoxie,
Arkansas
- February 25, 2012 -- ARRL Vermont State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/vermont-state-convention-ham-con-2>,
South Burlington, Vermont

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Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1792 - December 16 2011

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1792 with a release date of Friday, December 16th, 2011 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. The National Transportation Safety Board recommends an all out ban on driving while using a cellphone; a ham radio APRS equipped balloon launched in California land in the Mediterranean Ocean; amateur radio celebrates the 50th anniversary of OSCAR One, the Russian military shows up in the 40 meter band and ham radio to become a featured player on a popular sitcom. Find out the details on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1792 coming your way right now.

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RADIO LAW: NTSB RECOMMENDS ACROSS THE BOARD BAN ON DRIVING WHILE USING A CELLPHONE OR TEXT MESSAGING

The National Transportation Safety Board, better known as the NTSB has called for a nationwide ban on the use of cell phones and text messaging devices while driving. If passed into law, it could also have negative ramifications on ham radio operators, CB'ers and anyone who uses any form of two-way communications from a moving vehicle. Amateur Radio Newsline's Burt Hicks, is here with the details:

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The recommendation for a total, all-out ban on using a cell phone or texting while driving is by far the most inclusive yet issued by the National Transportation Safety Board. But at the moment, it's just that: a recommendation and nothing more.

Over the past 10 years that government agency has increasingly tried to generate laws to limit the use of all portable electronic devices while vehicles are in motion. The proposal released on Tuesday, December 13th would -- if adopted by all 50 states or at a federal level --effectively outlaw any and all non-emergency phone calls and texting by operators of every vehicle in the United States.

The law would apply to hands-free as well as hand-held units. Only devices installed in the vehicle by the manufacturer such as built-in G-P-S would still be permitted. NTSB members say the action is necessary to combat a growing safety threat posed by distracted

drivers.

And the NTSB notes that anti-cell phone laws alone will not solve the problem. Rather, they insist that such a nationwide ban must be accompanied by aggressive educational campaigns and very strict enforcement.

While the NTSB proposal is at this time only aimed at cellular telephone and texting by drivers while a vehicle is in motion, proposed laws such as this can easily grow legs. Politicians trying to ride the coat-tails of such a law could have it written as an all-encompassing umbrella regulation to cover other devices such as two-way radio gear, portable GPS receivers, or even satellite radio converters. In fact, it could include anything that the regulators feel might now or at a later date be considered a distraction to the driver. So on this one, the nation's ham radio community and its political leaders must remain vigilant.

According to the NTSB some 35 states now ban text messaging while driving; 30 states ban cell phone use by new or underage drivers and 10 ban all use of hand held cell phones by a vehicle's operator.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Burt Hicks in Los Angeles.

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The NTSB says that its proposal would not affect passengers' rights to use such devices. It should also be noted that the NTSB does not have the power to make laws on its own. All it can do is advise the government that regulations may be needed to keep the public safe. (Various Sources)

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RADIO BALLOONS: TRANSATLANTIC AMATEUR RADIO BALLOON IN FLIGHT

An amateur radio balloon carrying APRS that left the United States mainland and headed across the Atlantic Ocean toward the European continent made it.

Ron Meadows, K6RPT, of the California Near Space Project launched four high-altitude balloons on at 0000 UTC on Monday, December 12th. The balloons were expected to come down somewhere in the midwest U-S but one identifying on APRS as K6RPT-11 decided to take a cruise on the jet stream.

After departing US soil over New Jersey at an altitude of 110,000 ft it crossed the Atlantic Ocean overnight, Hams in Southern Europe were asked to tune their gear to 144.390 which is the APRS channel used in the United States. They were then requested to assist in tracking K6RPT-11 on its pass over Europe.

The question at the time was where would it land. The answer came early in the morning of December 14th. At the time the balloon was out

over the Alboran Sea in the Mediterranean when APRS tracking showed it suddenly descending. The last report via EB6AOK showed it at 14,558 feet and traveling at 35 miles an hour. At that point its assumed to have fallen into the sea but not before traveling over 7,000 statute miles at well over 100,000 feet. Possibly a new record for an APRS equipped ham radio long distance balloon flight. On this point we will have to wait and see. (W6DTW, APRS.FI)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: THE WORLD OF AMATEUR RADIO CELEBRATES THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF OSCAR 1

The world of Amateur Radio is celebrating the 50th anniversary of the orbiting of the first ever ham radio satellite known simply as OSCAR, an acronym for the words Orbiting Satellite Carrying Amateur Radio. Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, is in the newsroom with more:

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For those not around back then, OSCAR, now called by many as Oscar One was carried into space at 2041 GMT, December 12th 1961. It was carried aloft by the Discoverer 36 launching vehicle from Vandenberg Air Force Base in California.

After launch the satellite went into a North-South orbit transmitting Morse on a frequency between 144.990 and 145.008. It's said to have had a tremendous signal strength on any direct, overhead pass.

Among the first to hear OSCAR One were the hams at KC4USB which was the Marie Byrd Base at the South Pole. They picked up the signal loud and clear only a few minutes after launch and this is what they heard:

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OSCAR-1 Audio clip

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Yes, just above the noise a radio amateur or SWL with a fairly decent receiver with a good 2 meter converter could make out the letters H and I that formed the word "hi." And soon the signal was heard by hams in Kodiak, Alaska and by KH6UK in Hawaii. All of these on OSCAR's first pass. The ARRL headquarters' station W1AW heard the first pass on the United States East coast.

Now, in celebration of the 50th anniversary of the orbiting of the OSCAR One ham satellite, AMSAT North America is re-issuing the original Project OSCAR Newsletters. According to AMSAT, the original OSCAR Newsletters were all hand typed back in 1961. Don Ferguson, KD6IRE has scanned these documents announcing OSCAR 1. They are being re-issued via the Amsat News Service bulletins on-line.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the Newsroom in Los Angeles.

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Thanks to the efforts of AMSAT and especially KD6IRE 21st century hams world wide can read the story of the bird that opened the door to space communications to amateur radio operators around the globe. (Story material and OSCAR 1 audio courtesy of AMSAT)

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INTRUDER WATCH: RUSSIAN MILITARY OFDM OPERATING ON 40 METERS

The IARU Monitoring System newsletter reports that the Russian military have been transmitting on 7000.8 kHz using OFDM 112 coding. The transmitter generating the unwanted noise appears to be located near the city of Severomorsk.

But Russia is not alone on the 40 meter band. The IARU also notes that Chinese Over the Horizon Radar has turned up several times on 7 MHz in the evening hours. It sometimes occupies as much as 280 kHz of spectrum and has been heard up to 7040 kHz using the well known sweep rate of 43.5 sweeps per second.

Needless to say, hams who DX near the low end of 40 meters would like to see these operations gone from the airwaves. (IARUMS)

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RESCUE RADIO: VERIZON SENDS TEST ALERT WITH LABELING IT AS A TEST

A snafu by Verizon Wireless sent a very authentic looking but false emergency alert message to its customers in parts of New Jersey on Monday, December 12th. Amateur Radio Newsline's Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, has the details:

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The alert to subscribers in Middlesex, Monmouth and Ocean county New Jersey told of a "civil emergency" and advised people to "take shelter now." Only there was no emergency.

According to news reports the message was meant to be a test but it wasn't labeled as such. Verizon later admitted the mistake but not before some of its network users started contacting a variety of local, county and state emergency response agencies. This to express their concerns and ask what the emergency was. At airtime its not known as to how many called in and to what agencies.

It took about an hour and a half for New Jersey State Homeland Security and emergency management offices to respond by posting to Twitter that no emergency existed. Later in an e-mail an unnamed Verizon spokesman said the company apologized for any inconvenience or concern that the erroneous message caused.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline. I'm Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, in Zion, Illinois.

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Verizon didn't say why the message was sent without being labeled as a test or whether the incident was the first time such a mistake had occurred. (CGC, Published News Reports)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the Reading Amateur Radio Club's W3BN repeater serving the area in and around Reading Pennsylvania

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PUBLIC RELATIONS: HAM RADIO TO BE FEATURED PLAYER ON LAST MAN STANDING

Ham radio is coming to network television. This as a part of the plot of the ABC situation comedy "Last Man Standing."

On the show, actor and comedian Tim Allen of Home Improvement fame plays the character of Mike Baxter. Baxter is the married father of three and the director of marketing at an outdoor sporting goods store in Colorado.

Amateur radio will come into play on the show in mid-January when its revealed that Mike Baxter is an avid radio amateur with the callsign KA0XTT. But that's not the only ham radio connection to the show.

Last Man Standing is being produced for ABC Television by John Amodeo, NN6JA. And if you pick up the December edition of CQ Magazine and turn to page 30, you will find an article by Amodeo. One that tells the story of how he challenged his staff to become licensed radio amateurs, and out of those who accepted seven have gotten licensed so far. The reward for those who succeeded was a dual band hand-held radio.

As of this report Tim Allen is not among those who have accepted John Amodeo's challenge, but he tells CQ that he is working on him.

In addition to the CQ article the ARRL has a very nice piece about Last Man Standing and how it got involved in helping Amodeo to create the KA0XTT call sign. You can read that on the news pages at www.arrl.org. (CQ, ARRL PR Reflector)

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RADIO TO SPACE: SPACEX APPLIES FOR STA FOR DRAGON MISSION TO THE ISS

Space Exploration Technologies, better known as SpaceX, has submitted an application for Special Temporary Authority to the FCC. This for

use of frequencies in the 400 MHz and 2200 MHz bands under the callsign WF9XGI for its upcoming Dragon space transport systems first flight to the International Space Station.

The stated purpose to use these frequencies is that of communicating with and controlling its first unmanned Dragon space transport flight to rendezvous with the International Space Station. SpaceX says that the purpose of this operation is to demonstrate a low-cost, commercial capability to transport cargo to the I-S-S and return it safely to the Earth.

The current mission profile calls for launch of the capsule from Cape Canaveral into Low Earth Orbit, followed by proximity operations near the ISS and then docking with orbital outpost. The second phase of the mission will be undocking, performing de-orbit maneuvers, re-entry, and splash-down in the Pacific Ocean.

The scheduled launch readiness date for this mission is currently December 19th. More about it is on-line at www.spacex.com/updates.php (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: LOUISIANA STATION FINED FOR FAILURE TO RENEW ITS LICENSE FOR 8 YEARS

A Louisiana broadcast station whose license expired nearly eight years ago but that stayed on the air has been hit with a $13,000 fine. R&M Broadcasting is being allowed to keep KJCB in the city of Lafayette in operation, but the FCC says it must pay the forfeiture after the regulatory agency found that the station response to the original citation by its sending Salesmen Performance Reports was insufficient to document hardship and inability to pay.

According to the Commission R&M was supposed to submit its license renewal back on February 1, 2004. Six years later in April 2010, the Commission mailed a letter about the expired license. In its reply the station claimed both financial hardship and that it was misinformed by its engineer regarding the renewal process.

In issuing its December 5th decision the FCC gave R&M Broadcasting the customary 30 days to pay or to file an appeal. More on this one is on-line at tinyurl.com/7ozfxa6. (FCC)

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RADIO LAW FOLLOW-UP: LIGHTSQUAED VS CONGRESS COULD HOLD UP APPROVAL OF NEW FCC COMMISSIONERS

The ongoing saga of LightSquared versus the U.S. congress has reached a new level. This with Iowa Senator Charles Grassley pledging to block the nominations of Jessica Rosenworcel and Ajit Pai as FCC Commissioners. Amateur Radio Newsline's Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, has the rest of the story:

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Senator Grassley's says that his decision has nothing to do with the qualifications of the nominees. Rather he is using it as a tool to challenge the FCC's refusal to turn over to him documents related to the waiver the FCC granted to LightSquared to launch a terrestrial wireless broadband network using satellite spectrum.

As previously reported, FCC approval of the LightSquared service is conditional on it not interfering with the Global Positioning System operating in adjacent spectrum. This is an issue that LightSquared is currently trying to resolve so that its wholesale wireless service can be launched.

Senator Grassley says that he is concerned about the impact to GPS by the proposed LightSquared system. He wants to be certain that broadband deployment does not cause interference issues to the Global Positioning System and he will do all in his power to protect it.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD near Pittsburg, Pennsylvania.

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For those not aware, a single senator can hold up nominations, and does not even have to make that public. However Senator Grassley has made no secret of his intentions to take this road unless the FCC gives in to his demands. (B&C)

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RADIO LAW: DANISH PROSECUTORS ASK COURT TO ORDER ROJ TV OFF THE AIR

Prosecutors in Copenhagen, Denmark overseeing an investigation into Kurdish-language television station Roj TV claim that the broadcast operation is actually the on-air voice of the terrorist Kurdistan Workers' Party or PKK. They have requested a Danish court to ban the channel from broadcasting.

The PKK is considered a terrorist group by Turkey, the US and the European Union. Its members are fighting for autonomy in Turkey's southeast. This is a conflict that has killed tens of thousands of people since 1984.

According to Media Network, Roj TV has a Danish broadcasting license, but has no studios in Denmark. (Media Network)

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HAM RADIO AND SCOUTING: JOTA 2011 A BIG SUCCESS

The Boy Scouts recent 2011 Jamboree on the Air appears to have been a major success. According to JOTA's Jim Wilson by the beginning of December they had received and posted online 67 station reports. The statistics read like this:

The total number of Scouts reported attending JOTA 2011 was 2,935. They were assisted by 273 amateur radio operators. 1,472 contacts were made with 46 countries and the International Space Station.

Wilson says that this compares very favorably to the activity reported in 2010. (ARRL)

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HAM HELP: FREE KIT BUILDING SERVICES TO HAMS WITH PHYSICAL LIMITATIONS

Members of the Four States QRP Group centered in Arkansas, Kansas, Missouri and Oklahoma are offering kit building services at no charge. This, to hams who need assistance with their construction due to physical limitations.

Hams who wish to have kits built for them need to visit the clubs website and purchase one or more of the six kits offered. Then follow the directions on getting construction assistance.

The club says that this is a truly free service. More information on the kits that are available is on-line at tinyurl.com/kits-built. (Southgate)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: N7WR RELEASE NEW BOOK ON HIS DAYS AS A SHERIFF IN LA

Some names in the news. Jerry Boyd, N7WR, has just published his seventh book and once again there is a link to amateur radio. "Firestone Park: Policing South Central Los Angeles" is a collection of what Boyd describes as true "war stories" about policing one of the highest crime rate areas of the United States.

The author, a former Los Angeles County Sheriffs Deputy and Sergeant, recounts dozens of incidents from the humorous to the horrendous.

It all begins over 45 years ago because of the author's participation in the Sheriff's Disaster Communications Service, an amateur radio based program. Those who have seen it describe the book like riding in a patrol car with N7WR.

The book may be ordered on line via Amazon.com beginning on December 15th. We are told that a portion of the proceeds will benefit the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Washington DC.. (Southgate)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: N8MH NAMED AMSAT-NA VP OF EDUCATIONAL RELATIONS

Mark Hammond, N8MH has been named as AMSAT North America Vice President for Educational Relations. According to AMSAT President Barry Baines, WD4ASW, Hammond is aptly suited for this position as he is a professor of biology and the Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at Campbell

University in North Carolina. He is very familiar with the potential for using the amateur radio satellites as a teaching resource and understands the teacher perspective as well.

Baines noted that the subject of educational outreach was discussed at the 2011 AMSAT Symposium, based upon the paper that he himself presented as well as other talks that outlined some of the challenges that AMSAT has experienced in creating a structure for fulfilling our mission component regarding education. In his new position Hammond will help AMSAT establish and coordinate an education initiative program and serve as that organizations senior point of contact with outside organizations regarding educational outreach. (AMSAT)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: VE3RNH NAMED RAC NEW NARED MANAGER

Last but by no means least word that Pat Barrett, VE3RNH Manager of Radio Amateurs of Canada's National Amateur Radio Emergency Database effective immediately. According to Doug Mercer, VO1DM, who is Radio Amateurs of Canada's Vice President Field Services, VE3RNH has an extensive management background and most recently sat on the Ontario Restructuring Commission chaired by RAC Director Bill Unger VE3XT. Barrett replaces outgoing database manager Merv Halvorsen, VE3TSA. (RAC, VO1DM)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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THE CHANGING OF THE GUARD DONALD D. ROHN

Donald D. Rohn, an industry leader in communications tower manufacturing, passed away on November 21st at age 72. This while being treated for an injury he suffered from a fall a number of months ago.

In the late1950s Donald Rohn began working at his father Dwight's tower manufacturing plant prior to graduating with a bachelor's degree in business from the University of Illinois. Founded in 1948, Rohn's primary product line was small residential television towers.

Donald Rohn was an early advocate of climber safety and created a company culture that saw Rohn provide safety climb systems before it became an industry requirement. Rohn was also the country's first

manufacturer to see the need for galvanizing their towers and built their own galvanizing plant.

Donald Rohn retired from the company presidency in 1997. He is survived by his wife Joyce of Dunlap and three sons, five grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. A memorial service was held for Donald Rohn on Saturday, Nov. 26, 2011 in Peoria, Illinois. (WB5ITT, others)

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ON THE WWW: N0HR HAM RADIO POPULATION MAP

A new on-line map by Patrick Rundall, N0HR, shows the countries of the world resized relative to the number of amateur radio licenses. All you need do is to go to tinyurl.com/7wrxvpm and hit the circular arrow to see a graphic illustration that, for example, shows Japan as the place that has the world's largest amateur radio population at 1296059. Second place goes to the United States with Thailand at number 3. The smallest ham radio population density shown is the island Nation of Jamaica with only 84 hams at this time. N0HR's ham radio population map is based on statistical data that can be found on-line at iaru.org. (Southgate)

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WORLDBEAT: SOME 40 SARL MEMBERS MISSING FROM THE ICASA RECORDS

Colin de Villiers, ZS6COL, has been working on bringing the South African Radio League and telecommunications regulator and the Independent Communications Authority of South Africa records in line. During the process some 40 members were found to be on the SARL records that are not in the South African Radio League Data base.

Technically speaking these hams are using their call signs illegally. So at a South African Radio League Africa quarterly liaison meeting held with the Independent Communications Authority of South the telecommunications regulator agreed to send e-mails those affected requesting that they complete an application form for an amateur license and to submit the completed form as soon as possible. This will enable ICASA to correct their records. South African hams who receive such an e-mail are requested to respond as quickly as possible. (SARL)

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WORLDBEAT: HCJB GLOBAL TECHNOLOGY CENTER TURNS 25

International religious broadcaster HCJB Global celebrated the 25th anniversary of its Technology Center in Elkhart, Ind., on December 15th. Officially begun in 1986, the center traces its roots to an earlier cooperative 1975 project between Clarence Moore and Crown International to build a 500 kW transmitter using Crown's facilities. That effort provided the initiative for HCJB Global to develop its own technology research and custom manufacturing facilities. When formed, the mission of the center was to build energy-efficient 100 kW

transmitters for deployment by HCJB. (Southgate, Media Network)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: ESA VEGA ROCKET TO CARRY NEW MICROSATS TO ORBIT IN JANUARY 2012

The inaugural launch of the European Space Agency's new Vega rocket will carry the ALMASat-1 amateur radio micro satellite and at least 6 additional CubeSats. Slated for January of 2012, the launch will take place from ESA spaceport at Kourou, French Guiana. Once lofted into space, all of the satellites will be placed into an elliptical orbit of 1450 by 300 km at an inclination of 69.5 degrees. They are expected to have a lifetime before re-entry of up to 4 years. For details of each of the birds please follow the on-line links found at tinyurl.com/vega-first-launch. (Southgate)

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RADIO IN SPACE: NASA'S NANOSAIL-D CALLED A COMPLETE SUCCESS

After spending more than 240 days sailing around the Earth, NASA's NanoSail-D has successfully completed its planet orbiting mission.

NanoSat-D was a micro satellite that deployed NASA's first-ever solar sail in low-Earth orbit. It was launched to space in November of 2010 and deployed its sail on January 20th of 2011.

A main objective of the NanoSail-D mission was to demonstrate and test the on-orbit and de-orbiting capabilities of a large low mass high surface area sail. In the process it became a popular orbital object for sky watchers and radio amateurs alike. The mission ended on November 29th. (NASA)

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RADIO SPORT: ARRL AUGUST 2011 UHF CONTEST SCORES POSTED

ARRL Contest Branch Manager Sean Kutzko, KX9X, says that the results for the 2011 ARRL August UHF Contest have now bee posted on-line. You can view them at www.arrl.org/contest-results-articles. (KX9X)

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ON THE AIR: JOHNNY CASH SPECIAL EVENT STATION

On the air, word that members of the Northeast Arkansas Radio Club will be conducting their inaugural Johnny Cash Birthday Celebration Special Event Station. The happening takes place on January 26, 2012 which would have been the late Country Music Hall of Fame and Rock and Roll Hall of Fame member's 80th birthday. Operations begin at 12 noon Central U.S. time which is 18:00 UTC. More is on-line at nea-rc.org. (Via e-mail)

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DX

In DX, word that 3D2AG will be on a Christmas holiday with his family and is planning a small stroke P from Rotuma between December 9th and January 9th, 2012. It is reported that this will be a small ecological barefoot activity on all bands from 80 through 6 meters running 100 watts using solar and battery power. QSL via his home callsign, direct only using the address listed on QRZ.com.

JI5RPT will be active as JD1BLY from Chichijima Island between December 24th and January 2nd. His operation will cover 80 through 6 meters plus several satellites. Modes to be used are CW, SSB and the Digital. There will not be any 6 meter E-M-E on this trip. QSL via JI5RPT.

AH0AJ will be active as KG4AJ from Guantanamo Bay for the next two years. QSL only via his home callsign.

DL4RDJ is operating as 5W0OJ on HF from Western Samoa. QSL only via DL4RDJ.

DC0KK will be operational as 4S7KKG from Sri Lanka though March 11th. Activity will be mainly on CW and the Digital modes. QSL via DC0KK direct or via the bureau or direct to his address listed on QRZ.com.

Lastly, N7MSU will once again be active as V31SU from Belize between February 26th and March 15th. Operations will be mainly on 40 and 20 meters using CW, SSB and PSK31. QSL via his home callsign direct or via the bureau.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: UPSTATE NY CLUB ASKS SERVED TOWN TO ASSIST IN REPLACING RADIO TOWER

Ham radio operators in and around Hamburg, New York, have for a long time offered their assistance in emergencies but right now they need some help from the city in order to expand their operations to better serve the community. Jim Davis, W2JKD has more:

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Based at Hamburg's recreation center, the Southtowns Amateur Radio Society has been serving the area for 35 years. It is now replacing its tower, and is hoping the town might be able to help erect the new one. If not, at least provide extra fencing material, if there is any left over from a previous project.

Wayne Carpus, W2ZDP is the president of the Southtowns Amateur Radio Society. He noted that the group is structured in such a way that radio amateurs can quickly move their equipment to a fire hall, town hall or scene of an emergency, and do this working off a car battery for power.

Club treasurer Keith Patterson, KC2DGC, told the Town Board that amateur radio emergency communications takes place on the VHF and UHF bands , with a repeater on the WIVB-TV tower in near-by Colden. But there is a need to expand its services and the club now wants to replace its own tower with a new one that will be 70 feet tall when first erected, and would not be more than 100 feet tall when extended.

In the end, the club got at least partial backing for the project. Supervisor Steven Walters said the town would look to see if it has extra fencing that might be appropriate to place around the new tower. He added that since he has been supervisor, the town has lost its main communications system three times.

Patterson responded that when everything collapses, we hams can provide the needed communications.

I'm Jim Davis, W2JKD.

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Yet another instance of ham radio operators being ready to help the community where they live. (Buffalonews.com)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editor's desk, I'm Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, wishing you a joyous holiday season, 73 and we thank you for listening.

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-16 16:00:18 UTC
From: Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk
Message-ID: <20111216160004.E4DE733C7E@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3780
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Attention GB2RS Newsreaders - not for reading out on the air.

You will see from the following script that there will be no GB2RS news on

Sundays 25th December and 1st January.

Some readers may, of course, wish to operate a news net on these days.

We thank all news readers for their dedication to the GB2RS News Service and wish you

a very Happy Christmas and a successful New Year.

Gordon L Adams, G3LEQ, GB2RS Manager

Elaine Richards, G4LFM, RadCom Editor

Giles Read, G1MFG, RadCom Technical Editor.

GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 18th December 2011 The news headlines:

* New version of ROS released

* A Ham's Night Before Christmas

* PW-Sat to launch in January

A new version of the ROS data software has released by author Jos&#65533;, EA5HVK. The updates include improved performance for HF NVIS communications. On 1 December the code structure of ROS HF was changed in order to support mid to low band NVIS propagation. Versions prior to 6.8.4 will be incompatible with the latest version. There is no change to the medium frequency and EME modes. You can download the new version of ROS from www.rosmodem.wordpress.com.

Just in time for the Christmas season, Gary, KN4AQ, has created a video version of Clement Clark Moore's poem The Night Before Christmas. But Gary's version has a decidedly amateur radio twist. Entitled A Ham's Night Before Christmas, it features QST magazine covers and Christmas-themed advertisements from days gone by. You can see the video at tinyurl.com/KN4AQ-Night-Before-Christmas.

PW-Sat, a 1U CubeSat to be launched on the first VEGA flight in January, will carry a 435 to 145MHz amateur radio transponder with an FM uplink and DSB downlink. More information can be found at

www.uk.amsat.org.

There are still a few places left on the 5th Bath Buildathon which takes place on Saturday 7 January in Bath. The one-day practical workshop guides first-time builders through the construction of a 20m superhet receiver kit from Walford Electronics. You do not need any experience or tools, although knowing which end of the soldering iron gets hot is a help! A number of attendees are using this as a means of completing their Intermediate projects and the Buildathon Crew will be happy to sign off the appropriate assessment forms on the day. Others are building just for the fun of it and all will be most welcome. Tea, coffee and a few biscuits will be provided. To book one of the last places available, please contact Steve Hartley, G0FUW, using the details in the current Yearbook, on QRZ.com or via email to G0FUW@tiscali.co.uk.

Bookings are now being taken for the Northern Cross Rally run by Wakefield and District Radio Society, which will take place on Sunday 12 February 2012. Full details and bookings can be accessed online at www.northerncrossrally.com or by phoning Ken, 2E0SSQ on 07900 563117, before 8pm please. The actor Tim Allen of Toy Story, The Santa Clause and Galaxy Quest fame, stars in a new American TV series called Last Man Standing. It's an ABC comedy where Tim Allen plays Mike Baxter, KA0XTT, a married father of three and the director of marketing at an outdoor sporting goods store in Colorado. No news whether it will air on this side of the Atlantic yet.

[Note to Newsreaders: if you plan to run a news net on either of the next two Sundays,

please ad-lib in the next item to tell your listeners]

This is the last GB2RS broadcast of 2011. There will be no news readings on 25 December or 1 January. But we will be back in the New Year, bringing you the all the latest amateur radio news. Transmissions re- start on Sunday 8 January. We would like to take this opportunity to send warm season's greetings to all our listeners and wish everyone a prosperous New Year.

And now for the details of rallies and events

The Friskney & East Lincolnshire Communications Club Mid-Winter Tabletop Sale and Auction will take place on 3 January at the Friskney Village Hall, Church Road, Friskney, Lincolnshire PE22 8RR. The event includes the Special Event Station GB2YR. Doors open 7pm and entry is £1.50. Tables are 2 for £4 and there will be free tea & coffee. Details from Ian Donnelly, 2E0XOD, 07554 362 020.

We have no news of any special events for the next three weeks, so now the HF DX news, compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

SM6CPY will be active as 9X0PY from Rwanda between 24 December and 7 January 2012. His operation will be holiday style on all bands but with

a focus on 20 through 10 metres. QSL to his home callsign, direct or via the bureau.

KH0UY and KH0K will be operational from Saipan in the Northern Mariana Islands between 7 and 10 January. Their activity will be on 6 to 80m, plus the satellites. QSL via their home callsigns of JO3FRH and JE4SMQ, either direct or by the bureau.

Members of the Russian Robinson Club will attempt to activate another all-time IOTA new one in Alaska, the Bethel County group, NA-240, between 5 and 8 January 2012. They will concentrate on 20, 30 and 40m.

Now the contest news

On 20 December, the 1.3GHz UK Activity Contest takes place from 2000 to 2230. Using all modes, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

Spread across the four days that follow Christmas Day, the Christmas Cumulatives are an opportunity to take part in four quick-fire contests. Activity is on 6m, 4m, 2m and 70cm simultaneously on all four days, so to do well you not only need to be QRV on all four bands, you need to engage in a lot of band hopping in each of the 2-hour sessions. The 6m and microwave UKACs take place on the 27th and round out the year.

The DARC Christmas Contest takes place for 2 hours on 26 December using the 3.5 and 7MHz bands. It promises every participant a downloadable certificate. All entry categories are single-op, but the options are then low/high power and CW-only or mixed mode. It is a sprint event in which the DLs get multipliers for working different prefixes, so they will certainly be on the lookout for non-domestic QSOs. Non-DL to non-DL QSOs are valid, so for UK stations there's no need to concentrate on working Germany. 27 December sees the 50MHz UK Activity Contest and the SHF UK Activity Contest taking place from 2000 to 2230UTC. The exchange is the same for both contests, signal report, serial number and locator.

Internationally, the New Year begins with a lot of contests. On Bank Holiday Monday, 2 January, it's the ITRS 80m Counties Contest from 1400 to 1700UTC. For those not in Ireland, work EIs and GIs only, giving them a report and serial number. EI and GI stations send a report, serial number and County code, and work everyone. There are various sections to enter.

On 3 January, the 144MHz UK Activity Contest takes place from 2000 to 2230UTC. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

On the weekend of 7-8th, the ARRL RTTY Roundup will be making the datamode portions of the HF bands busy. Activity is on all datamodes. Work everyone, but operate for no more than 24 of the 30 hours. There are low- and high-power categories for single- and multi-operator

stations. Entrants are limited to a single transmitter, irrespective of section, and there are no single-band entries. Send a signal report and serial number. US stations will send a signal report and their 2-letter State code, while Canadian stations will send a signal report and their 3-letter Province code.

If Morse is your thing, on the same weekend you might like to entry the EUCW 160m CW Party. There are two 3-hour sessions, the first late on Saturday night and the second early the following morning. Members of clubs affiliated to the European CW Association send RST + name + club + membership number, while others send RST + name + `NM' for non member.

And now the solar factual data for the period from the 5th to the 11th of December, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on the 12th of December.

Numerous sunspot groups were visible every day with up to eleven groups visible on the 8th. Most were small and quiet but a few groups produced a small number of low level C class solar flares every day except for the 6th. This was the first day when solar activity was at very low levels since the 28th of August. Solar flux levels declined every day from 158 units on the 5th to 134 by the 11th. The average was 146. The 90 day solar flux average on the 11th was 146, that's two units up on last week. X-ray flux levels declined from B5.2 units on the 5th to B3.9 by the 9th, the average was B4.5 units. Geomagnetic activity was quiet every day, the most disturbed day was the 10th with an Ap index of 8 units. The average was Ap 3 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds decline from 410 kilometres per second on the 5th to 280 by the 7th, after which speeds recovered to around 500 kilometres per second on the 10th and 11th. Particle densities remained low every day. Bz showed little variation on the quiet days and between minus and plus 9 nanoTeslas on the most disturbed day.

Finally, a word about these reports. Up to now they have been produced in two versions. One, for the postal version of the script, prepared by Neil, G0CAS, covering the week up to the Sunday before transmission. A second, updated, version edited by Martin, G3USF, was circulated on Saturdays. From the New Year a single version, edited by G0CAS, will carry material from the Friday to the following Thursday. This will be dispatched to HQ on a Friday morning. The Saturday version will be discontinued. However, should a major development occur on a Saturday, we will do our best to post a late revision onto the Society's website.

Many thanks are due to the organisations where we use their data on a regular daily basis, without which it would be impossible to compile this report, Also to the staff at RSGB HQ and the GB2RS newsreaders and listeners, Martin and myself would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Peaceful New Year with lots of DX. See you on the 8th of January.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your transmission. As this script is the last one before Sunday 8 January, it contains all known events for the three weeks from

Sunday 18 December until Saturday 7 January. For some regions, this means the list is quite long.

Please use your discretion on how much to read.

For brevity, contact details have been omitted from many "club closed" announcements.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS On Monday 19 December Lincoln Short-Wave Club Lincoln Short Wave Club is holding a committee meeting. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Monday 19 December South Birmingham Radio Society is on the air and having a rag chew. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Tuesday 20 December Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is holding its Christmas social. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 20 December Forest of Dean Amateur Radio Group is holding its Christmas social. Details from Adrian Lane, 2E0SDR, on 01594 549 110.

On Tuesday 20 December Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is having a Christmas drink at the Pied Bull. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Tuesday 20 December Wythall Radio Club is discussing its Christmas contest. Details from Colin, M0GJM, on 07598 540 507.

On Wednesday 21 December Lincoln Short-Wave Club is holding a formal meeting and social night. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Wednesday 21 December Midland Amateur Radio Society is closed.

On Friday 23 December South Birmingham Radio Society is closed.

On Saturday 24 December Lincoln Short-Wave Club Special is in the shack. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Saturday 24 December Wythall Radio Club starts its Christmas contest. Details from Colin, M0GJM, on 07598 540 507.

On Sunday 25 December Bromsgrove & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its Christmas Day net from 10am. Contact Chris, M0BQE on 01905 776 869.

On Monday 26 December South Birmingham Radio Society is closed.

On Monday 26 December Sutton Coldfield Amateur Radio Society is closed.

On Tuesday 27 December Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is closed. On Tuesday 27 December Forest of Dean Amateur Radio Group is closed.

On Tuesday 27 December Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is closed.

On Tuesday 27 December Wythall Radio Club is holding its Christmas fox hunt. Details from Colin, M0GJM, on 07598 540 507.

On Wednesday 28 December Lincoln Short-Wave Club is putting G6COL on the air and having a natter night. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Wednesday 28 December Midland Amateur Radio Society is closed.

On Friday 30 December South Birmingham Radio Society is opening its shack for visitors. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Saturday 31 December Lincoln Short-Wave Club is in the shack. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Sunday 1 January Coventry Amateur Radio Society is running the first round of the G2FDC 2m DF Trophy. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

On Monday 2 January South Birmingham Radio Society is closed.

On Monday 2 January Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society is running its 2m club net on 145.275MHz FM and then QSYing to 70cm. For more information contact Peter D Rivers, G4XEX, on 01858 432 105.

On Tuesday 3 January Coventry Amateur Radio Society is supporting Bedworth Lions Awareness Month with GB4BLC. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

On Tuesday 3 January Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a junk sale. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 3 January Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club is having a table top sale. Contact Chris, M0MFP, on 01507 442 240.

On Tuesday 3 January Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club is holding its mid-winter table top sale and auction from 7pm at Friskney Village Hall, Church Road, Friskney PE22 8RR. Admission is £1.50 including one free entry to the raffle and there is free tea and coffee. Special event station GB2YR will be on the air. Contact Ian Donnelly, 2E0XOD, on 07554 362 020.

On Tuesday 3 January Lincoln Short-Wave Club is putting G6COL on the air and taking part in the VHF, UHF and SHF Cumulative Club Contest. Contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Tuesday 3 January Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is operating 2m from home. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Tuesday 3 January Wythall Radio Club is taking part in the 2m UKAC Contest. Details from Colin, M0GJM, on 07598 540 507.

On Wednesday 4 January Lincoln Short-Wave Club is putting G5FZ on the air and having a natter night. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Wednesday 4 January Midland Amateur Radio Society is holding an open meeting, putting the shack on the air and running training classes. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003. On Wednesday 4 January South Birmingham Radio Society is having a lecture in the main hall, New Year's Resolutions and boys new toys. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Thursday 5 January South Birmingham Radio Society is running raining classes with Dave Murphy G80WL. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Friday 6 January Bromsgrove & District Amateur Radio Club is using the FT-1000MP. Contact Chris, M0BQE on 01905 776 869.

On Friday 6 January Coventry Amateur Radio Society is having part 2 of the talk on the Fair Isle DXpedition. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

On Friday 6 January South Birmingham Radio Society is having a construction evening. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Saturday 7 January Lincoln Short-Wave Club is in the shack. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND On Monday 19 December Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having part 1 of its Contest Workshop by Peter Day, G3PHO, looking at the RSGB 80m Club Contests. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 19 December South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having a technical forum. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Monday 19 December Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is holding its Christmas party at the Frank Townend Centre. More information from J Duddington, G4BFH, on 01253 853 554.

On Tuesday 20 December Chester & District Amateur Radio Society is having a bring and tell evening. Contact Bruce Sutherland, M0CVP, on 01244 343 825.

On Tuesday 20 December Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air. Details from Anthony Vinters, G0WFG, on 01422 822 636.

On Tuesday 20 December Stockport Radio Society is having a Christmas social evening. More information from Nigel Roscoe, on 07973 312 699.

On Wednesday 21 December Denby Dale Radio Club is holding its Christmas party. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220 126.

On Wednesday 21 December Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is closed and will remain so until 2 January.

On Thursday 22 December Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air and having a club night. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 07876 085 631.

On Thursday 22 December South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is holding its Christmas party. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Friday 23 December East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is on the air. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671. On Monday 26 December Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having a Boxing Day social evening. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 26 December Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is closed.

On Tuesday 27 December Chester & District Amateur Radio Society is closed.

On Tuesday 27 December Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is holding its Christmas Dinner. Details from Anthony Vinters, G0WFG, on 01422 822 636.

On Thursday 29 December Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air and having a club night. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 07876 085 631.

On Thursday 29 December South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is closed.

On Friday 30 December East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is discussing what Santa brought. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Monday 2 January Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the 80m CW Club Contest. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Monday 2 January Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is participating in the RSGB 80m CW Club Contest and holding a social evening. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Tuesday 3 January Chester & District Amateur Radio Society is judging its construction competition. Contact Bruce Sutherland, M0CVP, on 01244 343825.

On Tuesday 27 December Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is preparing for the RSGB 80m Club Contest. Details from Anthony Vinters,

G0WFG, on 01422 822636.

On Wednesday 4 January Denby Dale Radio Club invites members to refresh their CW skills with Richard, M0RBG. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220 126.

On Wednesday 4 January Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is taking a trip down Memory Lane with G4YTV. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Wednesday 4 January Maltby & District Amateur Radio Society returns to the Centenary Hall, Bateman Road, Hellaby, S66 8HA after a five year absence. Contact Keith, G1PQW, 0on 7801 156 678.

On Thursday 5 January Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air and having a club night. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 07876 085 631.

On Thursday 5 January South Manchester Radio and Computer is holding a Club PC clinic with Dave, G4UGM. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Friday 6 January East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is having a radio magazines evening. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Friday 6 January Tynemouth Amateur Radio Club is putting G0NWM on the air and holding Morse tuition. Contact Bob, M6KLO, by email to mail@g0nwm.com.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND On Thursday 5 January Bangor & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its annual quiz. They say it's always a great night, with many prizes up for grabs. Contact Mike, GI4XSF, on 02842 772 383.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday 20 December Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club evening. Details from Norman, on 07740 946 192.

On Wednesday 21 December Ayr Amateur Radio Group is having a quiz night. Details from Tom Ferguson, GM1OST, on 01292 532 088.

On Thursday 22 December Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is holding its Christmas party. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663.

On Wednesday 4 January Ayr Amateur Radio Group has its first meeting at its new venue, Belmont Academy, Ayr. Meetings remain fortnightly, on Wednesdays. Details from Tom Ferguson, GM1OST, on 01292 532 088.

On Thursday 5 January Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is holding its junk sale. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663.

On Sunday 8 January Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is taking part in the RSGB Affiliated Societies 80m CW Contest. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA On Monday 19 December Burnham Beeches Radio Club is having a video evening. Contact Dave, G4XDU, on 01628 625 720.

On Monday 19 December Surrey Radio Contact Club is holding an informal pre-Christmas get-together. Contact John, G3MCX, on 02086 883 322.

On Tuesday 20 December Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Tuesday 20 December Bromley & District Amateur Radio Society is having a mince pie evening and quiz. Details from Andy, G4WGZ, on 01689 878 089.

On Tuesday 20 December Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is running a club net from 8.30. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Wednesday 21 December Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is meeting in the Lounge Bar for informal pre-Christmas drinks. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday 21 December Norfolk Amateur Radio Club closes for its Christmas break. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Wednesday 21 December Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is closed. On Thursday 22 December Echelford Amateur Radio Society is closed.

On Thursday 22 December Edgware & District Radio Society is closed.

On Thursday 22 December Hastings Electronics and Radio Club is closed.

On Thursday 22 December Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a cheese and wine evening. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564 242.

On Friday 23 December Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club is holding an informal meeting and will then retire to the pub. Contact Ron, G3KBR, on 01223 501 712.

On Friday 23 December Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a radio night. Contact Peter, G4AKG, on 01444 239 371.

On Saturday 24 December Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is running the Santa Claus 80m net on 3.650MHz SSB from 2130. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816 684.

On Sunday 25 December Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is running a Christmas day net on 2m FM. Contact Phil, G4UDU, on 01903 816 684.

On Monday 26 December Felixstowe & District Amateur Radio Society is closed.

On Tuesday 27 December Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is closed.

On Tuesday 27 December Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is running a club net from 8.30. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Tuesday 27 December Harwell Amateur Radio Society is having a shack activity night. Contact Malcolm, G8NRP, on 01235 524 844.

On Wednesday 28 December Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is closed.

On Wednesday 28 December Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is closed.

On Thursday 29 December Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a club night at the shack. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564 242.

On Friday 30 December Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society is closed.

On Friday 30 December Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is closed.

On Friday 30 December Wimbledon & District Amateur Radio Society is closed.

On Monday 2 January Braintree & District Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. For more information contact John, M5AJB, on 01787 460 947.

On Monday 2 January Burnham Beeches Radio Club is planning for contests and its anniversary year. Contact Dave, G4XDU, on 01628 625 720.

On Tuesday 3 January Leiston Amateur Radio Club is having a quiz. Details from Andy, G3ZYP, on 01394 460 441.

On Tuesday 3 January North Kent Radio Society is having a natter night. More information from Dave Collings, by email to nkrs@crystaldave.com.

On Wednesday 4 January Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a general meeting. Details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.
On Wednesday 4 January Southdown Amateur Radio Society is operating at Hailsham. Details from John, G3DQY, on 01424 424 319.

On Thursday 5 January Cray Valley Radio Society is closed.

On Thursday 5 January Horsham Amateur Radio Club is having a bring, show and tell evening. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk.

On Thursday 5 January Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a club night at the shack. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564 242.

On Thursday 5 January Reading & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a wireless workshop on making an Antenna. Details from Pete, G8FRC, on 01189 695 697.

On Friday 6 January Crystal Palace Radio and Electronics Club is having a talk on loops by Colin Butcher, M0XED. Contact Bob, G3OOU, on 01737 552 170.

On Friday 6 January Wey Valley Amateur Radio Group is having a club night. Details on the web at www.weyvalleyarg.org.uk.

On Saturday 7 January Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST On Monday 19 December Appledore & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its Christmas party. Contact Brian Jewell, M0BRB, on 01237 473 251 for more information.

On Monday 19 December Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is having its chairman's quiz and social. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Wednesday 21 December Trowbridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having its final natter night of the year. Details from Ian, G0GRI, on 01225 864 698, evenings and weekends.

On Thursday 22 December Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having an activity night. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Thursday 22 December Yeovil Amateur Radio Club is having a mince pies evening. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk.

On Friday 23 December North Bristol Amateur Radio Club is on the air. More information from Dick on 01454 218 362.

On Friday 23 December Torbay Amateur Radio Society is closed.

On Monday 26 December Bristol RSGB Group is on the air. Details from Robin, G3TKF, on 01225 420 442.

On Thursday 29 December Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is closed.

On Friday 30 December North Bristol Amateur Radio Club is having a quiz night with Dick, G0XAY. More information from Dick on 01454 218 362.

On Friday 30 December Torbay Amateur Radio Society is closed. On Wednesday 4 January Cornish Radio Amateur Club is holding a committee meeting at Perranarworthal Church Hall. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844 939.

On Wednesday 4 January Taunton & District Amateur Radio Club is watching the South Orkney DXpedition video. More information from Peter Robinson, G0EYR, on 07811 635 819.

On Wednesday 4 January Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is planning for the carnival with G6RAZ. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Thursday 5 January Cornish Radio Amateur Club is having its main club meeting. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844 939.

On Thursday 5 January Saltash and District Amateur Radio Club is planning its 2012 programme and looking at members' Christmas goodies. Contact Brian, M0BHG on 01752 844 321.

On Thursday 5 January Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is holding an activity night. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Thursday 5 January Yeovil Amateur Radio Club is having a DVD evening. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk.

On Friday 6 January Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES On Monday 19 December Dragon Amateur Radio Club is holding its Christmas social. More information from Stewart Rolfe, GW0ETF, on 07833 620 733.

On Tuesday 20 December Wrexham Amateur Radio Society is closed.

On Friday 23 December Newport Amateur Radio Society is closed.

On Thursday 29 December Aberystwyth & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club night on the air on 145.500 then 145.550MHz. Details from Ray, GW7AGG, on 01970 611 853.

On Monday 2 January Dragon Amateur Radio Club is planning for the AFS Contest. More information from Stewart Rolfe, GW0ETF, on 07833 620 733.

On Tuesday 3 January Wrexham Amateur Radio Society is closed.

On Friday 6 January Newport Amateur Radio Society is having a club night. More information from Ross Clare, GW3NWS, on 01633 880 146.

On Sunday 8 January Aberystwyth & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a junk sale. Details from Ray, GW7AGG, on 01970 611 853.

1191. Kenwood repair

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-16 18:26:44 UTC
From: "D@LS" <helmsman@wowway.com/>
Message-ID: <m73ne7dvnv8jrkbjtkuqjjcv80i4rspocm@4ax.com>
Source record: 3781

Can anyone recommend a good repair shop for a Kenwood TS-450-sat in Michigan.

1192. BEST HOT VIDEO WATCH HERE MODLES HOT PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-17 05:33:07 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <95f92747-bdd2-47e6-a50f-c4765dbc6d0e@d17g2000prl.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3783

VERY VERY VERY HOT HOT HOT ONLY HOT
http://acresesandmodels.blogspot.com/2011/06/real-kiss-hot-videos.html

HOT HOT LIP KISS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.com/2010/06/hot-for-youth.html
SUPER HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.com/2010/06/hot-101.html
YOUTH HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.com/2010/06/hot-lip-kiss-12.html
ONLY HOT HOT
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.com/2010/06/supr-hot-never-seen.html
SUPER HOT NEVER SEEN
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.com/2010/06/supe-r-hot-kiss-op.html
HEROINE LIP KISS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.com/2010/06/kajal-best-lip-kiss.html

for mopre hot videos
http://allvideosforyouth.blogspot.com/2010/08/super-hot-lip-kiss.html

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http://alljobsaywhere.blogspot.com/

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http://mobileallinforation.blogspot.com/2010/08/mobile-games-free-download.html

mobile ringtones free download
http://mobileallinforation.blogspot.com/2010/08/mobile-ringtones-free-download.html

1193. BEST HOT VIDEO WATCH HERE MODLES HOT PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-17 05:33:36 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <8c869dd5-082f-4bcb-a1b2-9d28a54f353b@t36g2000prt.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3782

VERY VERY VERY HOT HOT HOT ONLY HOT
http://acresesandmodels.blogspot.com/2011/06/real-kiss-hot-videos.html

HOT HOT LIP KISS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.com/2010/06/hot-for-youth.html
SUPER HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.com/2010/06/hot-101.html
YOUTH HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.com/2010/06/hot-lip-kiss-12.html
ONLY HOT HOT
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.com/2010/06/supr-hot-never-seen.html
SUPER HOT NEVER SEEN
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.com/2010/06/supe-r-hot-kiss-op.html
HEROINE LIP KISS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.com/2010/06/kajal-best-lip-kiss.html

for mopre hot videos
http://allvideosforyouth.blogspot.com/2010/08/super-hot-lip-kiss.html

jobs
http://alljobsaywhere.blogspot.com/

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http://mobileallinforation.blogspot.com/2010/08/mobile-games-free-download.html

mobile ringtones free download
http://mobileallinforation.blogspot.com/2010/08/mobile-ringtones-free-download.html

1194. SARL News in English 17/12/2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-17 16:32:25 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <33312A9E35C046F4B0FA4C74E346796A@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 3784
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 18 DECEMBER 2011

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. PLEASE NOTE: for audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 and 3,695 MHz SSB.

SILENT KEYS

It is with regret that it has to be announced that the keys of two radio amateurs went silent a few weeks ago.

The key of Ray Langton, ZS6EJ, went silent on 2 November 2011. The key of Andries van Wyk, ZS6CEG, became silent on the 9th December.

Our sincerest condolences to all the relatives and friends of the deceased.

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In the news today:

NOVEMBER/DECEMBER RADIO ZS IS THE MAIL

TRANSATLANTIC AMATEUR RADIO BALLOON IN FLIGHT

RUSSIAN MILITARY OFDM OPERATING ON 40 METRES

RADIO TECHNOLOGY IN ACTION

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting items.

NOVEMBER/DECEMBER RADIO ZS IS THE MAIL

Another great-read issue of Radio ZS is in the mail and available on the web. Besides all the regular columns you will find on page 6 an article written by Bert Howes, ZS6HS, which was first published in 1958 in "Kommando", the journal of the Union Defence Force. Bert who was a member of the SARL since 1932, passed away on 2 December 2011 at the

age of 96. It is an article worth reading. The edition also has information about various awards and in the RaDAR article Eddie Leighton discuss the various ways people view the RaDAR concept.

If you are not a member of the SARL yet and would like to a sample copy of the November/December edition of Radio ZS, send an email to artoday@sarl.org.za, and you will receive a PDF copy in the email inbox.

TRANSATLANTIC AMATEUR RADIO BALLOON IN FLIGHT

An amateur radio balloon carrying APRS that left the United States mainland and headed across the Atlantic Ocean toward the European continent, made it.

Ron Meadows, K6RPT, of the California Near Space Project launched four high-altitude balloons on at 00:00 UTC on Monday, 12 December. The balloons were expected to come down somewhere in the midwest US but one identifying on APRS as K6RPT-11 decided to take a cruise on the jet stream.

After departing US soil over New Jersey at an altitude of 110 000 ft it crossed the Atlantic Ocean overnight, amateurs in Southern Europe were asked to tune their gear to 144,390, which is the APRS channel used in the United States. They were then requested to assist in tracking K6RPT-11 on its pass over Europe.

The question at the time was where would it land. The answer came early in the morning of December 14th. At the time the balloon was out over the Alboran Sea in the Mediterranean when APRS tracking showed it suddenly descending. The last report via EB6AOK showed it at 14 558 feet and travelling at 35 miles an hour. At that point its assumed to have fallen into the sea but not before travelling over 7 000 statute miles 11 200 km) at well over 100 000 feet (30 500 m).

What is little known is that amateur radio experiments with balloons were first made in South Africa with a large team of radio amateurs led by Tony Reumerman, ZS6AOG, John Willescroft, ZS6EF, and Dave Woodhall, ZS6BNT. At the time ZS6AKV made a presentation at an AMSAT conference in the USA which started the ball rolling in other countries.

RUSSIAN MILITARY OFDM OPERATING ON 40 METRES

The IARU Monitoring System newsletter reports that the Russian military have been transmitting on 7 000,8 kHz using OFDM 112 coding. The transmitter generating the unwanted noise appears to be located near the city of Severomorsk.

But Russia is not alone on the 40 metre band. The IARU also notes that Chinese Over the Horizon Radar has turned up several times on 7 MHz in the evening hours. It sometimes occupies as much as 280 kHz of spectrum and has been heard up to 7 040 kHz using the well known sweep rate of 43,5 sweeps per second.

Reports from South African Radio Amateurs are invited. Please send it to ZS1FCS, email zs1fcs@telkomsa.net.

RADIO TECHNOLOGY IN ACTION

The SARL invites papers for the Radio Technology in Action Symposiums which will be held on Cape Town, Port Elizabeth, Durban and Gauteng. Please send a brief synopsis to artoday@sarl.org.za by 15 January 2012. Travel assistance is available if required. The SARL also invites suggestions of the kind of subject that you would like to learn more about. It is your opportunity to influence the programme.

SA AMSAT SPACE SYMPOSIUM

The 2012 SA AMSAT Space Symposium will be held at the University of KwaZulu-Natal on 12 May 2012. This is the second call for papers. Authors are invited to submit a brief synopsis of their proposed paper. The deadline is 31 January 2012. Send a synopsis as a word file attachment to saamsat@intekom.co.za. The theme of the conference is "50 Years of Amateur Radio Satellites" celebrating the launch of OSCAR 1 on 12 December 1961.

PROPOSED AMATEUR MF ALLOCATION RECEIVES A BOOST

The proposal to allocate a part of the medium frequency band to the amateur service at the World Radio Conference in 2012 received a boost this week with the release of the Asia-Pacific Common Proposals that were developed at the 5th Meeting of the APT Conference Preparatory Group for WRC-12.

During this meeting, the various nations of the Asia-Pacific region discussed many of the issues that will be addressed at WRC12 and attempted to come to a regional consensus position.

The proposal of interest to the amateur service is "to consider an allocation of about 15 kHz in parts of the band 415 - 526,5 kHz to the amateur service on a secondary basis, taking into account the need to protect existing services" and this proposal was supported by a comfortable margin of Asia-Pacific administrations responding to the voting request. The successful development of a regional position supporting an amateur MF allocation increases the chances that the proposal will be accepted at WRC-12.

The amateur radio service is represented at the APT meetings by delegates from Region 3 of the International Amateur Radio Union and by members of national amateur radio organisations who are part of delegations from each national administration.

CONTEST NEWS

SARL National Field Day.

The committee received 13 logs made up of 11 contest legs and 2 check logs. The 13 logs indicate that 210 South African radio amateurs took part in the contest; it is not sure what happened to the remaining 197

logs.

The winners of the various Classes are:

Class A - Field Station, Multi Operator 1st West Rand ARC, ZS6WR, 91 200 points 2nd Northern Cape ARC, ZS3NC, 64 800 points 3rd Sasolburg ARC, ZS4SRK, 40 320 points

Class B - Field Station, Multi operator - QRP No entries

Class C - Field Station, Single Operator 1st Mitchell Mynhardt, ZS6YH, 32 352 points 2nd Marius Snyman, ZR6MS, 16 380 points

Class D - Field Station, Single Operator - QRP 1st Eddie Leighton, ZS6BNE, 10 476 points 2nd Dennis Green, ZS4BS/3, 2 880 points

Class E - General Stations 1st Pieter Jacobs, ZS6XT, 23 160 points

Check logs were received from Pierre van Deventer, ZS6A, and Alan McCulloch, ZS6KU.

The West Rand ARC made many points on 15 and 10 metres with digital contacts.

The combined results of the February and November legs of the National Field Day are:

Class A - Field Station, Multi Operator 1st West Rand ARC, ZS6WR, 187 800 points 2nd Northern Cape ARC, ZS3NC, 150 480 points 3rd Sasolburg ARC, ZS4SRK, 99 720 points

Class B - Field Station, Multi operator - QRP No entries

Class C - Field Station, Single Operator 1st Wessie Wessels, ZS2A, 43 200 points 2nd Pierre van Deventer, ZS6A, 40 560 points 3rd Mitchell Mynhardt, ZS6YH, 32 352 points

Class D - Field Station, Single Operator - QRP 1st Geoffery Lotz, ZR6XZ, 56 160 points 2nd Eddie Leighton, ZS6BNE, 21 186 points 3rd Dennis Green, ZS4BS/3, 2 880 points

Class E - General Stations 1st Pieter Jacobs, ZS6XT, 60 660 points 2nd Derek Stuart, ZS2J, 9 360 points 3rd Renier Burger, ZU6HOT, 7 236 points (now ZS6HOT)

Well done to everybody who submitted a log and congratulations to the category winners. The February leg of the 2012 SARL National Field Day is scheduled for the weekend of 11 and 12 February 2012.

The complete results are available in HF Happenings 483.

LEN WELLS AMATEUR RADIO SPIRIT TROPHY

The Len Wells Amateur Radio Spirit trophy for 2011 was presented to Tom Cooper, ZS1PS, at the False Bay Radio Electronics and Computer Club end of year function on Saturday 10th December. Tom has been a dedicated

worker for his club for many years and is a committee member and the Editor of their Newsletter DIALOG. In spite of being a big C survivor, he spent many week-ends building up their club house. Tom, 80 years of age, has 60 years of unbroken membership of the SARL.

That's true Amateur Radio Spirit! Congratulations Tom, may you still enjoy amateur radio for many years to come.

PORT ELIZABETH AMATEURS ARE LOOKING FOR COASTAL VHF DX

VHF amateurs in Port Elizabeth are looking for the VHF holiday makers along the south and east coasts of South Africa. They know that a number of amateurs will be spending their holidays at the coast, and some of them will take VHF gear along with them, such as Rassie, ZS1YT, and Derek, ZS5Y, who will be holidaying on the southern coast.

Some local amateurs will monitor the southern coast while others are watching the eastern coast and will alert each other about signals. The calling and listening schedules will be in the evenings between 19:00 CAT and 20:00 CAT on 144,400 MHz FM, and from 20:00 CAT onwards on 144,200 MHz USB. Also keep an eye on hot humid days when fantastic Tropo openings can occur.

Since all the local VHF amateurs are horizontally polarized and some equipped with high gain Yagis, the minimum requirement on the other side of the VHF path will be at least a horizontal dipole. The amateurs with the big Yagis will make up for the lack of antenna gain on the other side, and contacts longer than 400 km can be expected.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is declining with no threats of strong flares. The sun's surface is still peppered with smaller sunspots promising exciting HF conditions.

For the people doing their own frequency predictions the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 83.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with the higher bands typically opening first and the lower bands opening later during the day. 6 m is also active with TEP openings from time-to-time.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

15 January 2012 - Last day for submission of summaries of proposed papers for the Radio Technology in Action Symposiums 2012 to artoday@sarl.org.za. 31 January 2012 - Last day for submission of nominations for Council members and also for submission of motions for the 2012 SARL AGM. 31 January 2012 - Closing date for submitting papers for SA AMSAT Space Symposium. Also: Submit nominations for SARL awards which will be presented at the gala dinner which will take place over the weekend of the 2012 SARL AGM.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 16:30 UTC on 4 895 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by George, Z6SNE.

Thank you for listening, 73. /EX

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1195. SARL News in English 17/12/2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-17 17:57:28 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <B152F094F05042FCB821660999A5BE70@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 3785
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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CORRECTION

RADIO ZS

Sorry to inform you but the item included in today's news bulletin that the Radio ZS November/December issue should be in the mail is completely wrong; please ignore it in its entirety. The correct item will be included in next week's bulletin. Sorry if anybody had been caused any inconvenience. 73, Editor.

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1196. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1041

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-18 20:59:23 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <465250.69784.qm@smtp107.sbc.mail.ne1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 3786
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1041
Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 1041

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Bulletin No. 1041
BID: $OPDX.1041
December 19, 2011
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, K1XN & GoList, NJ1Q & ARRL DX, N2FF, K3LP, KA3NRX NG3K & ADXO, W3UR & The Daily DX, K4DY, N4AA & QRZ DX, WA4DAN, KH6BZF, W6IZT, WB6RSE, K8GI, K8YSE, W8GEX (60m News), AT International, DF6EX, DK8JB & The DX News Letter, DL1SBF, DxCoffee.com, DX-World.Net, EA1LT, F5NQL, F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX, G3SWH, G0IAS, I1JQJ/IK1ADH & 425 DX News, OZ6OM & 50 MHz DX News, RSGB IOTA Web Site, TA1HZ, VA3RJ & ICPO, VHF-DX-Portal (MMMonVHF) and VE1AL for the following DX information.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 11th-December, through Sunday, 18th-December there were 222 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5V, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, CY0, D2, D4, D6, DL, DU, E4, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T32, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VP5, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZF, ZK2, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3DA, SWAZILAND. Operators Phil/G3SWH and John/G3OLU (aka EA5ARC) will be active from the Hawane Resort in western Swaziland between February 21-29th, 2012. The Hawane Resort has a well equipped station with Elecraft K3 transceivers, ICOM IC2KL amplifiers, an A4S at 24m and an A3WS at 20m,

a wire 4 square for 40m and a vertical for 80m complete with 30 x 20m long radials. Phil informs OPDX that they will use a single callsign for the DXpedition, which is yet to be allocated. Activity will be on CW only on all bands 80-10 meters. There will be no 160, 6 meters or EME activity. Propagation permitting, they plan to have two stations on the air for as many hours every day as is possible. Their main objective is to work as many European, North American and ROTW stations on as many different bands as possible and plan to make at least 15,000 QSOs. QSL via G3SWH, either via the OQRS facility on Phil's Web site <www.g3swh.org.uk> (preferred), direct with SAE and adequate return postage, or via the Bureau. Subject to a good Internet connection, there will be an on-line log on Phil's Web site and daily uploads to LoTW. Phil will issue an update once the callsign has been issued and he has the Web site up and running.

3DA, SWAZILAND. Members of the "Fox Charlie DXpedition Team" will be active as 3DA0FC between April 4-11th, 2012. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using SSB, RTTY and PSK. Suggested frequencies are:
SSB - 3780, 7063, 14185, 18136, 21290, 24930 and 28490 kHz
RTTY - 3590, 7040, 10149, 14084, 18104, 21084, 24924 and 28084 kHz
PSK - 7038, 14072, 18102, 21072, 24922 and 28122 kHz
The current list of operators are Filip/ON4AEO and XYL Kath/ON7BK, Sid/ZS6AYC and XYL Adele/ZR6APT, Gert/ZS6GC, Jose/ON4CJK, YL Elna/ZS6EB, YL Steffi/ON3AEO, Lucas/ZS6ACT and Herman/ZS5LH. QSL via ON4CJK, direct or by the Bureau. A 3DA0FC Web site is currently under construction that will include an online log at: http://www.filipstattooshop.be/Swaziland2012

A2, BOTSWANA (Ops still needed!). Frosty, K5LBU, reports that there is still room for several more operators to join his DXpedition to Botswana in March. Currently, there is Frosty, one couple and one other operator, and two of them are planning to visit and stay 3 nights and 4 days at the Kruger Park before meeting up in Johannesburg on March 16-17th. They will arrive at the Lotsane lodge on the 18th and return to Johannesburg on the 28th and depart on the 29th. The group plans to operate as A25HQ in the CQ WPX Contest while there. If you would like to go, E-mail Frosty at: 3da0cf@gmail.com

A5, BHUTAN. Take, JA4ATV (ex-9J2FM), is now active as A52ATV from Bhutan until December 20th. Activity has been on 40/15/12 meters CW. Watch around 0800-0930z and 1930-2230z. QSL via JA4ATV.

CARIBBEAN TOUR. Tom, AA9A, will be on a Caribbean holiday tour with the family between the end of January and early March. QSL via AA9A and LoTW. His schedule is as follows:
PJ2 - Active as PJ2/AA9A from Curacao between January 21st and February 4th, 2012. Activity limited to spare time on 40-10 meters using CW and SSB.

V2 - Active as V25AA from Antigua with other operators between February 13-22nd. See details below under V2.

PJ7 - Active as PJ7/AA9A from Sint Maarten between March 3-17th. Activity limited to spare time on 40-10 meters using CW and

SSB.

CY0, SABLE ISLAND (Everything is still a go!). Murray, WA4DAN, informs OPDX (edited): "The team of Ron/AA4VK and Murray/WA4DAN are making last minute preparations for the upcoming CY0 DXpedition. Gear is currently being prepared for shipment to Maritime Air Ltd in Halifax, Nova Scotia. Some antennas are already on Sable. Because of the recent uptick in high band propagation, increased emphasis will be placed on 10 and 12 meters. Our goal is to always have one operator on 10 meters during the time that band is open to CY0. We are shipping a three element, 10-meter monoband yagi to the island. This 10-meter yagi will be mounted on top of a 30-foot tower which we will erect upon arrival on the island. It is possible we may have both CY0 stations on 10-meters at peak times. We are looking at ways to physically separate the 10 meter antennas to facilitate that possibility. We were greatly encouraged by the amount of activity in the recent 10-meter contest. We know there is high demand for CY0 on that band. We will do our best to satisfy this demand. We are scheduled to arrive in Halifax on the morning of Dec. 27th. We will confirm all of our gear made it safely and shop for last minute supplies. After an early wake-up on Dec. 28th, we will arrive at Maritime Air and eagerly await for the OIC on Sable and Maritime Air to make the GO/NO GO call on the weather and landing conditions. Landing on Sable is a little tricky as there is no runway on the island. Landing is on the sand which must be relatively firm and free of standing water. Wind speed and wind direction are also critical parameters to the GO/NO GO decision. These decisions are made by the OIC on Sable and Maritime Air. Keep a check on this Web site for more updates as we get closer to departure: <http://www.cy0dxpedition.com>.

D6, COMOROS. Fabri, IW3SQY, will lead an international team of operators to activate Comoros sometime in the coming months of 2012. More details are forthcoming.

DX-WORLD.NET'S 2011 DXPEDITION OF THE YEAR SURVEY. It is that time of the year for the DX-World.net Web site's - "DXpedition of the Year 2011". It is easy to vote on the Web page by just checking the box next to the DXpedition you want to vote for (you can vote up to five DXpeditions). After you vote, you can see the current standings. The survey is available at: http://dx-world.net/2011/dx-world-dxpedition-of-the-year-2011
The voting will close on January 15th, 2012. DX-World.net states, "The criteria behind the poll is to remind operators of the many notable DXpeditions which occurred during the last 12 months and to vote for their favorite(s)."

E4, PALESTINE (Update). Peri, HB9IQB, is now active as E44PM possibly through December 22-23rd. Activity will be mainly CW with some SSB.
For more details and updates, visit the following Web page at:
http://www.hb9iqb.ch/palestine.html
UPDATE FROM PERI (date December 16th): "Season's greetings from Bethlehem. Operation started Dec. 15th, 20.48 UTC, on 7 MHz, in CW. First Call in the Log is HB9DX, The Swiss DX Foundation, with HB9DDO at the key.

Unfortunately, terrible QRM was encountered here caused by all kind of electrical devices in the house (Neon lights, Air condition etc.), peaking S9 + 10 dB on the K2 meter. Will check possibilities today for trouble shooting, including antenna relocation. Thanks for obeying my regional instructions, excellent operating by the EU ops during JA and K/W openings.

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS (Reminder). Remember to look for Andy/AB7FS (E51AND, ZK1AND and ZK2AND) and his XYL Kathy/KB7SCH (ZK1SCH) to be active again from Arorangi Beach on Rarotonga Island (OC-013) between December 19-31st. Andy will be active as E51AND. As a member of the Straight Key Century Club (SKCC #7723), he plans to operate straight key CW at or around 14050 kHz, and he will be looking especially for SKCC members. Andy states, "This is NOT a DXpedition - just a vacation with some hamming -- so frenetic issuing of signal reports will be a low priority though I'll try to make contact with those who want them. I often check into the ANZA net which meets at 0515z daily at 14183 kHz -- so that's a good place to find me for a sked or to QSY down to the CW part of the band --- or you can try E-mailing me - we'll have limited connectivity but I'll check at least every second day...and..... band conditions are MUCH improved from last December." QSL via AB7FS. Andy's E-mail address is: Kiaorana@minetfiber.com

EA/P, SOUTH SHETLAND ISLANDS. Between now and March 2012, look for Adrian, EA1CYK, to be active as EA1CYK/P during his spare time from Antarctic base "Gabriel de Castilla" (WAP ESP-02) on Deception Island, South Shetland (AN-010). If it is possible, he will visit the base "Juan Carlos I" (WAP ESP-01) on Livingstone Island (also in the South Shetland). He was heard this past weekend on 10 meters with a good signal. QSL Manager is EA7LS.

EF8, CANARY ISLANDS. Luis, EA8AY, will use the special callsign EF8USA from Tenerife Island (IOTA AF-004, DIE S-012, WLOTA 1276, EAA TF) during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 18-19th) as a Single-Op/All-band entry. QSL via only LoTW. Visit his Web site at: http://www.ea8ay.com/ef8x

ET, ETHIOPIA. David, K3LP, informed OPDX on December 13th, that their team has concluded this trip and is headed to the airport at 7:00 PM to return home. David states, "The results of the U.S. FCC License testing for Dec. 10, 12 and 13 are as follows:
Total Number Students Tested: 62
Total Number of Amateur License Tests conducted: 161

License Types issued:
Qty 5 - Extra Class Licenses
Qty 36 - General Class Licenses
Qty 16 - Technician Class Licenses
Qty 5 - Did not receive a License

After we get our logs combined, we'll upload the results to the Logbook of the World plus post the results as a search function. QSL ET3AA and ET3SID via N2OO for December 8-13th, 2011, only. Thanks to everyone for their understanding regarding the low bands. A future goal will be set

to operate from a remote location with exceptional receive antennas."
For the complete details and up-to-date info, see:
http://www.k3lp.com/et3aa_december_2011.htm

HK0, MALPELO ISLAND (Update). Gregg, W6IZT, Co-leader of the upcoming 2012 HK0NA DXpedition, announced this past week to the 160 meter community of their Topband plans for the upcoming operation. He reports, "We will have 2 operating locations. Both locations will have 160 meters capabilities and legal limit amplifiers. The distance between the two operating locations is approximately 300 meters and the difference in elevation is almost 200 meters! Two operating locations are a necessity to provide a low take off angles in all directions. The camp lower in elevation 'OP B, or Baja' will be our main camp and is located adjacent to the military facilities. 'OP A, or Alto' will be located very close to the top of the highest point on Malpelo. The antennas for OP A will be located on top of the highest peak. The personnel operating from OP A will have to make a very difficult and dangerous 200m vertical climb on a daily basis to man the stations. OP B will be the primary 160m station for the eastern U.S., Europe, South America, and Africa. OP A will be the primary operating location for the western US, JA/Asia, and VK/ZL. Our current antenna plans call for an Inverted L for 160 at OP B, with Pennants for receive, and for OP A an Inverted V broadside to the US and JA for 160 and Pennants for receive. At 300 meters above the sea we are confident that the efforts to establish this operating location and antenna selection will result in an outstanding signal on 160 to those areas of the world that have been most challenged to work Malpelo in the past. Establishing an operating location from OP A comes at a considerable expense. We have expanded an already strong team with the addition of several experienced DXpeditioners to man the increased number of stations (from 6 to 10). This has also enabled us to extend our stay on the island. We are making every effort to minimize the risk in transit for OP B to OP A through the extensive use of safety equipment wherever possible. Fortunately, we have a commitment from the Columbian Military and the crew of our transportation vessel to assist with transporting equipment, fuel and water to the OP A site. An advance team of operators from Columbia are leaving for the island on Christmas day to begin the efforts of establishing the camp infrastructure, and setting up the antennas. One of our goals is to drop Malpelo out of the top 100 on the DXCC most wanted list from the current spot of #11 worldwide. Operations of this magnitude are expensive. This one in particular also comes with a significant element of risk. The operators are bearing the majority of the expenses. But without support from equipment sponsors, major DX organizations, clubs, and individuals this trip would not be possible. Contributions are still needed and very welcomed. Please visit our Website at <www.HK0NA.com> and click on 'how can I help'... Lastly, we have a tremendous group of equipment and DX organization sponsors, please support them whenever possible..... 73s, Happy Holidays, and hopes that we are in your log on 160!"

HS0AC HORROR STORY. For the first time since the flooding in October-November, members of the Radio Amateur Society of Thailand (RAST) were able to get out to the HS0AC club station on the campus of the Asian

Institute of Technology on December 10th, and entering their shack by forcing open a locked rusty door to get in. The water had been some two meters deep at its peak and had submerged the AIT campus for five weeks. The team entering the shack was RAST President Chaiyong/HS1QVD, Station Manager Finn/OZ1HET, Swen/HS0ZFZ, Thida/HS1ASC, Sonn/HS6NDK, Karl/HS0ZJL and his XYL, and Gerd/DK5FJ. They spent eight hours sifting through the flood damage and and documented their visit: Visit the following link to read and see photos of the damage at: http://bit.ly/9GztWh

IOTA NEWS.....
EU-008. Members of the Black Country DX & Contest Group will be active as MS0OXE from the Isle of Tiree (IOSA NH04, SCOTIA DI10, IO66ML, WAB NL94), in the Inner Hebrides Islands between September 13-21st. Operators mentioned are Simon/M0VKY, Drew/ G7DMO, Brian/G0JKY and Terry/G4MKP. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via M0URX, direct or by the Bureau. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW and eQSL. Visit their Web site at: http://ms0oxe.webs.com

NA-066. Operators Ray/N6HE, Jeff/K6JW, Joe/NZ6L, Bob/AB6SY, Clay/AB9A, Diana/AI6DF and Bill/KG6WVF will be active as K6PV/6 from Santa Catalina Island (USI CA016S, WLOTA 2912, Los Angeles County, CA) between February 23-26th, 2012. Activity will be on 20 meters SSB mostly, with some on 40 meters SSB. They will also be in the NAQP RTTY Contest (February 25-26th) and the CQWW 160m SSB Contest (February 24-26th). They also plan to be om 160/80/40/ 20/15/10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and possibly PSK31. QSL direct to QRZ.com address for K6PV.

JW, SVALBARD. Operators Magne/LA2XNA and Jon/LA8HGA will be active as JW2XNA and JW8HGA, repectively, from Spitsbergen Island (EU-026, WLOTA 0125) between March 16-20th, 2012. Activity will be on 160-10 meters with an emphasis on the higher bands. Look for JW2XNA to be on SSB, PSK31 and PSK63, while JW8HGA will be on CW. QSL via their home callsigns, direct or by the Bureau. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW.

KH3, JOHNSTON ATOLL (Update). "DX-World.net" is reporting that Susan's, W7KFI, QSL Manager, Stan, KH6CG, states that Susan may now push off from Hawaii a few days after January 15th. Additionally, the Northern California DX Foundation (NCDXF) is now sponsoring her KH3 activity and has sent her a banner which she has already received. Also, Susan has received her permit to access Johnston Atoll for January/February 2012. Stan states, "Her plan is to leave Honolulu on (approx) January 15, 2012, arriving KH3 some 5-7 days later, depending on wind. She'll operate for seven days setting up a tent on the pier, where it will be over land, using a 43 ft. vertical set into sand. She has informed the ARRL of this station set up so they are aware for [pending] DXCC approval. Additionally, Susan will take photos and is expecting an Elecraft banner to be sent to her soon via the company; Susan will use a K3 on CW/SSB mainly." In short, according to Susan, she should be active from about January 21st, and if there is a delay for any reason she can operate through February."

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (December 19-25th)....
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Dec/20th AN Dec/23rd AN Dec/25th AN
Dec/21st AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY GEOMAG K Values Alpha
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K=0-1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K=2 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K=3 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K=4 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K=5 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K=6-9 100-400

NEW WEB SITE FOR SATELLITE OP'S. A new French Web site for satellite operators has recently made its debut on the Web. The site features logbooks for all of the popular satellites including the DX bird, AO-7. It is a welcome replacement for the <planetemily.com/ao7> which went offline a few weeks ago. The main feature of the new Web site is the logbooks where you can enter QSO data that will be archived for later reference. There is a field for comments as well. Visit the Web site at: http://aar29.free.fr/sat/index.html
ADDED NOTE: Another great resource for satellite operators can be found at: http://www.papays.com/sat
It features grid maps submitted by active satellite operators as well as thousands of recordings from satellite passes over the last two years. If you would like your grid map added to the site, please contact John, K8YSE, at: k8yse@amsat.org

PACIFIC ISLAND TOUR. Vincent, F4BKV, a member of the upcoming 2012 VP6T Pitcairn team, plans to continue has activity after this operation on Pitcairn by activating the following islands and locations. His tentative schedule and callsigns are as follows:
E51BKV - February 9th; Rarotonga Island (OC-013), South Cook Islands.
E51BKV - February 10-15th; Mangaia Island (OC-159), South Cook Islands.
E51BKV - February 16th; Rarotonga Island (OC-013), South Cook Islands.
FK/F4BKV - February 18-25th; Ouvea Island (OC-033), New Caledonia.
FK/F4BKV - February 26th; Noumea (OC-032), New Caledonia.
HL2/F4BKV - February 27th; A briefly stay in Seoul, South Korea, as Vincent heads home.
Activity from all locations will be on 40-10 meters using SSB and the Digital modes (RTTY/PSK31). His equipment will include an Elecraft K3 with 500w amp, monoband VDA (vertical dipoles array) for 17/15/12/10m and monoband verticals for 40/30/20m. QSL via his home callsign and LoTW. For more details, updates and an online log search, visit: http://www.f4bkv.net

PJ7, SINT MAARTEN. A group of Polish operators are planning to be active as PJ7PT from Sint Maarten (NA-105) between March 5-18th, 2012. Operators mentioned are Wojciech/SP9PT, Bogdan/SP2EBG, YL Gala/SP2GKS, Jurek/SP3GEM,

Czeslaw/SP3HLM and Jozef/SP9-31029. Activity will be on 160-6 meters
using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via SP9PT. For more details and updates,
visit the PJ7PT Web site at: http://www.pj7pt.com

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated December 18th)

4K6/JR0HYT via JR0HYT EM2G via UR7GO PR5B via 6K5YPD
9Q6AL via DF9TA EX2X via EA5KB R3ARS/3 via RA3AKF
A61BK via NI5DX FR5DZ via F6CXV UN1L via W3HNK
AH0J via JA1NVF LY2011XMAS via LY2QT UP20L via UN7LZ
CS2P via CT1BWU MD/EB1BSV via EB1BSV V31NB via EB7DX
DR2W via DH3WO OR2R via ON6LJ W2VGA/6Y5 via W2VGA
DU1/JJ5GMJ via JH5RXS P39P via 5B4ES XU7SSB via XU7AAA (direct)
EA1/LW3EQU via EA1DMB PG65ISWL via PA0FAW YU1OOW via YT2AA
EA7/ON4LO via ON4LO

JX5O QSL STATUS. Members of the JX5O report that "due to unforeseen
circumstances", Stan, SQ8X, will be delaying the sending/responding
of QSLs until sometime in January at the earliest. Updates on this
issue should be forthcoming on the JX5O Web Site. Thanks for your
understanding.

KG4AJ QSL MANAGER. Buzz, NI5DX, has assumed the duties of QSL Manager for
Norm, KG4AJ, on Guantanamo Bay. A new QSL card will be designed and sent
to UX5UO for printing. It will take about 4 weeks to receive the cards
once the order has been placed. Buzz is awaiting a log transfer from
KG4AJ. Once the log transfer is made, Buzz will able to confirm all past
contacts with KG4AJ. Norm is scheduled to be in KG4 land for 2 years.

NOT THE MANAGER. Al, VE1AL, re[orts that he received a batch of cards
from his VE1 Bureau this past week, and included were two cards for
3V8S via VE1AL from the CQWWDX CW Contest in Nov. 2009. Al states, "I
am not and never have been the QSL Manager for this operation. In the
past, I have returned the cards via the Bureau system. Also, I still
receive cards for ZK2DD and VA1S. I have the logs for the ZK2DD operation
for only July 1979. If the call was re-issued, I cannot help. The VA1S
logs are no longer available. I won't return the QSLs to the senders
because of new, onerous, charges by RAC for membership and use of its
outgoing bureau."

WIN-QSL-POLICY 2.2 (Program for Windows XP, Windows Vista, Windows 7).
Manfred, DF6EX, has written a program that helps in providing info on
which QSL-Manager/DX-station you can expect a reply via the Bureau or
which DX-stations you better not work or have to spend a lot of money
to get a card. The program has a growing database and it lets you know
what stations do not QSL back or just take your green stamps.
Currently, there are 11500 managers/DX-stations listed, from information
collected over the past 20 years. The best news is that it is free.
Read more about the program at: http://www.winqsl.com
Or load directly at: http://www.winqsl.com/winqsl/?page_id=74
No fee at all. Also, there will be further updates; you just have to

register by mail.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 3D2ML, 9N7DX, 9X0VB, A45XR, A92IO, AX0LD, C37N, CT5KAO, CT7ACG, DC0NA, E51Z, EI6IZ, EI9E, EL2LF, EL2WS, F5GGL, F6BAT, F8AKC, FY5LH, G3WW, GI0RQK, HA3HZ, HQ9R, G3Y, GJ6UW, JA1BNL, JA7DOT, JH7RTQ, JO1COV, JS1NDM, KL2R, LZ2MP, LZ9W, MD0CCE, OK2DA, OM3AG, P40K, PJ2T, PJ4LS, PJ4X, PR7AB, PV8AA, PY4XX, S58N, SA0BDK, SP2JKC, T32C, TF3Y, UA2FR, UA9MEJ, UN7PBY, UR3IFC, VA2EW, VA7RN, VA7ST, VE3RZ, VE6TL, VO1TA, VP9/K2XX, VX6WQ, VY2ZM, XE2S, XE2X, YN2CC, YO9HP, YS1JBL, YT3AA, YU1JW, Z37M, ZF2OE, ZK2V, ZM4G and ZS4TX

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3D2R, 4L1MA, 5C2J, 5T0JL, 8R1AK, 9H1BT, DU2/JJ5GMJ, E77A, EW8OG, FR/DJ7RJ, J69MV, JD1BMH, K4M, KC4AAC, KC4USV, ST0R, SV2ASP/A, SV5BYR, UA0SR, V26K, V63KZ, V85TL, VK9CX, VK0TH, ZA1G, ZB2B and ZD8ZZ

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: NONE REPORTED THIS WEEK!

SILENT KEYS.....
* QSL Manager Allan, G0IAS, informs OPDX with great sadness that Harry Berry, G0JMU/7Q7HB, collapsed in his home during lunchtime on December 12th and became a "Silent Key" (SK). Allan states, "I have ALL of Harry's Malawi contacts from the very first QSO he made more than 20 years ago.....I will answer the cards as they arrive, if you worked Harry and need the cards I will honor them, although at this time I feel like closing down the logs on ALL the 7Q Stations I manage. With the exception of my wife, he was the best friend I have ever had, I KNOW he has given a lot of people the pleasure of working 'a new one' and will be sadly missed. My thoughts are with his wife Elaine and his family at this time. I am sure lots of Hams will say with me a silent 'THANK YOU' Harry...REST IN PEACE OM......"

* It has been reported that Larry Amodeo, W2AX, became a "Silent Key" (SK) on November 28th, the day after the CQWW DX Contest at his home. He had been in poor health for some time and had dismantled his Vermont station a few years ago and sold the house there. Larry was a long time ARRL member and a well known DXer and contester who was one of the first to run a remote station from Readsboro, Vermont. At one point, he had worked them all and still stands at 381 on the DXCC Mixed standings. The only country missing from his list was North Korea. At the point where he stopped chasing them he had them all. He also managed to operate from some rare places in the 1950's, 1960's and 1970's including Johnston Island. He was a kind, friendly, helpful man who will be missed by the many who knew him and had a chance to operate from his Vermont station. He was a long time member of the "Order of Boiled Owls of New York" and the "Yankee Clipper Contest Club".

* Pat Parrish, K4YR (ex-K4HXF and W5PSB), became a "Silent Key" (SK) on December 15th. An avid Dxer, he was on the Honor Roll list at 391. He managed the ARRL QSL Bureau in both the 5th and 4th district for a number of years. He was 84 years old.

* OPDX and its readers would like to send out our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of 7Q7HB, W2AX and K4YR.

TC9, TURKEY (Special Event). Members of the Turkish Scouting and Guiding Federation's National Conciousness Camp, will activate special event station TC9SAM between December 23-26th. Operators mentioned are Tevfik/ TA1HZ, Hasan/TA1GE, Emrah/TA2AEM and Emre/TA1AES. Activity is in memory for the "Allahuekber Martyrs", and operations will be commemorating the fallen in Sarikamis Campaign of World War I. The special event station TC9SAM will be located in Gaziler and Kaynak villlages of Erzurum. In accordance with the camp program, they will be on the air mainly on 40 and 80m bands but will also try the other bands. You can also try to follow the team on APRS. Detailed info is available on <QRZ.com> and <www.tif.org.tr>. The QSL Nanager is TA1HZ.

TX6, FRENCH POLYNESIA (IOTA Op). Before their major VP6T operation, operators Jacques/F6BEE, Nigel/G3TXF, Gilles/VE2TZT, Michel/FM5CD and Vincent/F4BKV will be active from Tahiti Island (OC-046) and possibly from Mangreva Island (OC-063) as TX6T. Specific dates were not provided yet, but should be forthcoming. Activity will be active on all HF bands. QSL via G3TXF.

V2, ANTIGUA. Operators Tom/AA9A and Bob/W4OWY will be active from here as V25AA and V25WY, respectively, between February 13-22nd. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via their home callsign. Tom does use LoTW. ADDED NOTE: "The Daily DX" reports that Ed/N2ED (V26G) will team up with Tom and Bob for the ARRL CW DX Contest (February 18-19th). The callsign is not yet known.

VK0, MACQUARIE ISLAND. Trevor, VK0TH, has been active on 40/20/17/15/12/10 meters using SSB, PSK31 and RTTY. Activity has been mainly between 2300-1330z. Suggested frequencies are 70163, 14070, 18135, 21070, 21086, 21365, 24945, 28120 and 28400 kHz. QSL via JE1LET (direct only).

VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS. Dave, GM0LVI, will be active as VP2V/GM0LVI from Cooper Island (NA-023) between January 11-21st, 2012. Activity will be holiday style on 20-6 meters using CW and SSB. He will use a FT817 with 5 watts into GP and dipoles. QSL via his home callsign.

VP6, PITCAIRN ISLAND (Update). Operators Jacques/F6BEE, Nigel/G3TXF, Gilles/VE2TZT, Michel/FM5CD and Vincent/F4BKV will be active as VP6T from famous, mythical Pitcairn Island (OC-044, CQ Zone 32) between January 20th and February 4th. From the VP6T Web page: "This DX operation from Pitcairn has a target of more than 30,000 QSOs. With good propagation forecast for early 2012, efforts will be made to give this extremely rare entity to deserving DXers on as many bands as possible, but especially on the low bands. The rarity of VP6 ensures that all operators will be kept fully occupied during our nine full days on the island. We will be travelling there by boat. We are planning to have three stations active round-the-clock." Activity will be on 160-10 meters including the 30/17/12 meter bands, using CW, SSB and RTTY. The VP6T log will be uploaded to LoTW during the operation if possible, if not immediately after the operation. They will try to update their VP6T log on "ClubLog" several

times a day during the operation. This will help you track your progress across the bands. QSL Manager is Nigel, G3TXF. In addition to the usual routes (Direct QSLing, QSLing via the Bureau and E-mail requests for Bureau cards to "QSL at G3TXF dot com"), they will also be using the new "Online QSL Request Service (OQRS) provided by ClubLog." For more details and the suggested frequencies, visit the VP6T Web site at: http://www.vp6t.org

YX6, VENEZUELA. Members of the Radio Club of Venezuela plan to be active as YX6AJ from Angel Falls waterfall (the world's tallest - 979m) between January 3-6th, 2012. Operators mentioned are Lino/YY5FRD, Jesus/YY5CHJ, Marcel/YY5CAR, Wilmer/YY5CWM, Alfredo/YV5SSF, Edwin/YV5HUJ, Jose/YV5JF, William/YV5VE, Angel/YV5NEA and possibly one more. Activity will be on CW, SSB, Digital modes and the Satellites. QSL via YV5AJ, by the Bureau or direct.

ZF, CAYMAN ISLAND (Update). Dr. Bill, K9HZ, will be active as ZF2HZ from Rum Point, Grand Cayman Island (NA-016, WLOTA 1042, WW Loc. EK99II) between December 19-29th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW and SSB. Suggested frequencies are listed on QRZ.com. QSL via his home callsign.

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President of the "Northern Ohio DX Association" (NODXA)
DX Chairman for the "Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society
ARRL Assistant Director of the Great Lakes Division
Sysop of the "Basic Amateur Radio Frequency BBS" (BARF80.ORG)

1197. HPARC is sponsoring classes beginning in January 2012 (Michigan)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-19 01:31:02 UTC
From: "D@LS" <helmsman@wowway.com/>
Message-ID: <as4te75ithctpf70db4rpqnmsbhif3f250@4ax.com>
Source record: 3787

HPARC is sponsoring classes beginning in January 2012. The instructors need to know who is going to
take them so they can order books. Please send an email to them ASAP. Once your email is received
you will receive an email with more information about the classes.

Hazel Park ARC will host a General Class

WHEN: First Session on January 9

TIME: each week @ 7 pm to 9pm for 12 weeks

WHERE: at City of Southfield EOC

COST: FREE except for book $23

Contact: Wallace Murray KE8HR @ 248-685-8485 or email ke8hr@arrl.net

Hazel Park ARC will host an Extra Class

WHEN: First Session on January 27

TIME: each week @ 7 pm to 9pm for 16 weeks

WHERE: at City of Southfield EOC

COST: FREE except for book $23

Contact: Ron Miotke WD8MNX @ 248-246-7959 or email wd8mnx@arrl.net
http://hparc.org/

1198. "DIY Magic of Amateur Radio Video"

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-19 22:16:23 UTC
From: ARRL Members Only Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20111219214009.854472038D@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 3788
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Allen Pitts, W1AGP, ARRL Media and PR Manager, sent out a notice about a special webcast:

"On Tues, Dec 27th at 8:30 pm Eastern Standard Time, there will be a special webcast by W5KUB.com showing the new DIY Magic of Amateur Radio video plus interviews and comments by Director Dave Bell, Producer Bill Pasternak, and myself."

Our own Joe Eisenberg, K0NEB, is one of the people in the video. If you have a chance, tune in to w5kub.com at 7:30 central time on Tudesday, Dec. 27.

73, Art K0AIZ

ARRL Nebraska Section
Section Manager: Arthur I Zygielbaum, K0AIZ
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1199. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2011-045E - Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, and Happy New Year

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-20 19:20:16 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4EF0DE34.20007@rac.ca>
Source record: 3789
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2011-045E - Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, and Happy New Year
2011-12-20

To all of our Members and our Friends across the World:

We at the Radio Amateurs of Canada hope that your 2011 was healthy and prosperous for you and yours.

We wish you the most Wondrous Holiday Season; full of family, friends and good cheer.

We wish that your 2012 will be healthy, prosperous, accompanied by many friends and that your life will continue to be meaningful and satisfying.

And we wish you many contacts.

Geoff Bawden VE4BAW
President and Chair RAC; on behalf of the RAC Board and Executive

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1200. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 12 - 18 December 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-20 22:30:06 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20111220223001.B5E3333C69@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3790
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.info

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:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2011 Dec 20 2011 UTC
# Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
# http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
#
# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
12 - 18 December 2011

Solar activity was at very low to low levels. Region 1367 (S19,
L=076, class/area Cso/030 on 08 December) was the most active region
and produced occasional to frequent C-class flares near and beyond
the west limb during 13-15 December. Region 1376 (N20, L=306,
class/area Dro/020 on 18 December) was also responsible for
producing multiple C-class flares during 17-18 December. There were
no Earth-directed coronal mass ejections observed during the period.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
normal levels.

Geomagnetic field activity was at mostly quiet levels during most of
the period, with isolated periods of unsettled levels observed at
high latitudes.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
21 December - 16 January 2012

Solar activity is expected to be at low levels during the period.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is
expected to be at normal to moderate levels during the period.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be at quiet levels during
21-27 December. Activity is expected to increase to quiet to
unsettled levels during 28-29 December and 5-6 January due to
recurrent coronal hole high-speed streams. Quiet levels will prevail
30 December - 4 January and 7-16 January.
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1201. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2011-046E - New Membership rates

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-21 00:13:50 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4EF12454.6070509@rac.ca>
Source record: 3791
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2011-046E - New Membership rates
2011-12-20

IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDNG MEMBERSHIPS

It has been many years but the Radio Amateurs of Canada have finally raised the membership rates.

Rates had previously been raised for United States and International Members to take into account the increased mailing costs for non-Canadian residents.

Canadian membership rates are among the lowest in the world and will remain so. A membership in the Radio Amateurs of Canada will continue to be less than a tank of gas and the increase is less than a cup of coffee for most memberships.

These price changes are now reflected on the RAC website.

Membership: Full Regular $52.00, Full Family $25.00, Full Blind $25.00, Full Maple Leaf Operator $100.00
Associate Regular $52.00, Associate Family $25.00, Associate Blind $25.00, Associate Corporate $150.00, Associate U.S. $90, Associate International $130

The above Membership Dues are subject to GST and/or HST from your province of residence.
5% - AB, MB, NT, NU, MB, PE, QC, SK, YT
12% - BC
13% - NB, NL, ON
15% - NS

Frank Greene
Office Manager - Radio Amateurs of Canada
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1202. The ARRL Contest Update for December 21, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-21 07:10:04 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20111221041935.1A00525CDE@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 3792
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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The ARRL Contest Update

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December 21, 2011

Editor: Ward Silver, N0AX <rate-sheet@arrl.org>

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NEW HF OPERATORS - THINGS TO DO

Take a break! If you got into radiosport this year, you've discovered that right around the end of October, the weekends come in quick succession and test everything from your ability to withstand 160 meter static to finding just the right skew path to get that close-in state off of 10 meter backscatter. Oh, and to give the complete Sweepstakes exchange in one breath! So kick back and enjoy the bands, the holidays, and time with family and friends. See you next year!

BULLETINS

>From Dan K7SS following the ARRL 10 Meter Contest, "Welcome aboard to the many, many KC KD KE KF KG KJ etc new folks who are experiencing their first 10 meter peak.. fun, huh??" If you participated in the Dec 18th CW edition of the Rookie Roundup <http://arrl.org/rookie-roundup>, be sure to submit your score online by 2359Z today!

BUSTED QSOS

No significant erors were reported in the previous issue.

CONTEST SUMMARY

Complete information for all contests follows the Conversation section

December 24-25, 2011

- DARC Christmas Contest
- SKCC Straight Key Sprint (Dec 28)
- NAQCC Milliwatt Sprint--CW (Dec 29)

December 31, 2011 - January 1, 2012

- ARRL Straight-Key Night
- New Years Snowball Contest
- SARTG New Year RTTY Contest
- AGCW Happy New Year Contest--CW

==> NEWS, PRESS RELEASES, AND GENERAL INTEREST

Here is an excellent reason to keep your logging software's CTY files <http://www.country-files.com/cty> up-to-date for DX contesting - a new list of prefixes for European Russia published by ARRL DXCC Manager, Bill NC1L. It's on the ARRL Awards blog <http://www.arrl.org/awards-blog> - look that the item titled "DXCC and Russian Prefix Information (rev.)" Bill also notes that "since Russia joined CEPT, there are stations active with call signs that do not indicate DXCC entity, such as RA/N6TR who operated from Asiatic Russia, and RA/SM6LRR who operates from European Russia. These types of portable call signs will be managed individually in the DXCC system."

For those of you considering doing some contest operating from an IOTA-qualifying island, be advised that for QSLs to be accepted for IOTA credit, the island designator may not be handwritten. This is spelled out in the IOTA program rules <http://www.rsgbiota.org/> contained in the 2011 IOTA Directory - see rule C.4.2.

Look - up in the air! Wayyyyy up in the air! First a balloon travels all the way across the Atlantic Ocean <http://www.theregister.co.uk/2011/12/14/transatlantic_balloon/> while being tracked by ham radio technology. Then the US Air Force contracts with SETI <http://www.seti.org/node/905> to check newly-discovered planet Kepler-22b for intelligent life. Just how far did that balloon go, anyway?

Knowing what we do about wireless technology, I'm sure that many hams know why we are asked to turn off our electronic devices at takeoff and landing. For the lay audience, this Marketwatch article <http://www.marketwatch.com/story/please-turn-off-all-electronic-devices-really-2011-12-13?siteid=nwhpf> is not totally accurate in its technical descriptions but it does reinforce the message that the reason for turning off your devices is not just made up.

Who needs a dupe sheet when you can memorize 2660 random numbers per hour? Not bad - perhaps the new memory champ <http://games.yahoo.com/blogs/plugged-in/21-old-memory-champ-breaks-records-193703911.html> could be put to work at an IARU Headquarters station! (Thanks, Andy

N2NT)

The UBA International Prefix Hunt
<http://www.uba.be/hf/contest-rules/rules-of-the-uba-international-prefix-hunt>
committee has announced new rules to this interesting new contest.
(Thanks, Marc ON7SS/OO9O)

The Internet Archive project has just published nearly every issue of
defunct 73 <http://www.archive.org/details/73-magazine>magazine
<http://www.archive.org/details/73-magazine>, all the way back to
January 1961. While dominated by the editorial adventures of Wayne
Green W2NSD, the magazine also featured loads of simple (sometimes
too-simple) construction articles, expedition adventure writing by Gus
Browning W4BPD and other, and had a loyal following for many year.

You may read the material online or download PDF files. (Thanks Leigh
WA5ZNU via the QRZ.com <http://qrz.com/> website)

Why is radiosport such an attractive competitive activity to many of
us whose athletic years are behind them? Bill N5RKD/G4NDH relayed an
article from The Guardian
<http://www.guardian.co.uk/society/shortcuts/2011/dec/14/me-competitive-cant-help-50>
that summarizes research
<http://uonews.uoregon.edu/archive/news-release/2011/11/researchers-find-risk-taking-behav
ior-rises-until-age-50>
addressing the risk-taking and competition of people between the ages
of 25 and 50. It doesn't address radio contests specifically but the
parallels are clear.

Web Site of the Week - Hams love maps, map software, and
map-plications! Here's an online applet
<http://hp.vector.co.jp/authors/VA011609/azmeqdist_e/azmeqdist_e.html>
to create an simple azimuthal-equisdistant map centered on any location
you care to specify. The map can be captured to a graphic file by using
the PrntScrn key on Windows computers and made into a very nice control
or switch label. (Thanks, Wes W3WL)

WORD TO THE WISE

Here are some good words about Elmering posted by Mark WD4ELG: "I
promised my Elmer (W4ZM, SK) that I would always help those who asked
for it, and never denigrate or ridicule any question. I also promised
my Elmer that I would never be afraid to ask questions and look for
ways to learn more."

==> SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

Some may be wondering what happened to the Radio Amateur Society of
Thailand club station HS0AC in the recent round of flooding in Bangkok.
Champ E21EIC sent some photos <http://www.qsl.net/rast/> of the station
after it spent two months underwater - there will be a long rebuilding
process.

Wow - here's a serious radio location! Of course, it's on Saipan, so it might be a bit far for the annual club outing on Field Day. Nevertheless, this video <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X7EM0jtFtmw&feature=youtu.be> shows how AH0BT set up their station for the 2011 CQ WW CW contest. (Thanks, Steve N2IC)

Walter PP5WG sent links to some videos by PP1CZ of young contesters operating from ZX5J during the recent ARRL 10 Meter contest. (Video 1 <http://youtu.be/4oB6st0cwDc>, Video 2 <http://youtu.be/ECzOdJig_2A>, Video 3 <http://youtu.be/0gVr0FtsDz4>, Video 4 <http://youtu.be/UtC_DJm2YVo>) We will contact these operators many times in the coming years!

Here are two photos <https://picasaweb.google.com/115693317429195427637/WirelessMuseumPJStation> of the original W1BB station on display in the New England Museum of Wireless and Steam <http://newsm.org/> in East Greenwich, Rhode Island. The museum also includes a collection of radio history, including

the Massie "PJ" station, which was moved from the original Point Judith, RI location to the museum site. Dave N7RK also presents a 1947 picture of W1BB's station at the bottom of his personal web page <http://n7rk.com/w6bam.html>. (Thanks, Gus KB0YH)

==> RESULTS AND RECORDS

ARRL Contest Branch Manager, Sean KX9X speaks for all when he says, "It was certainly a treat for everybody to have good activity once again for the 2011 ARRL 10 Meter Contest. I'm especially happy for those of us who weren't licensed for the last solar peak around 2001 and are experiencing the pure joy of good 10 meter conditions for the first time." How good was activity? "As of 10:30 AM Monday, we have received 4,254 logs for the 2011 10 Meter Contest. This is an all-time record for this contest and we still have three weeks left until the log submission deadline!" This could be a 5000-log contest!

In other ARRL Contest news, certificates for the 2010 ARRL International EME Competition have been shipped along with ARRL Club Competition gavels.

Stew Perry log-checker, Tree N6TR writes, "One of the exciting "behind the scenes" aspects of the Stew Perry contest is seeing how the scores keep growing as more low power and QRP logs show up. Most scores have already grown 10 percent (from the claimed score)." You can find a link to the current scores on the Stew Perry web page <http://web.jzap.com/k7rat/stew.html>. This is why it is important for all of the low power and QRP stations to send in their log - to make sure those who worked them get full credit. More than 400 logs have already been submitted - perhaps the 1000-log level will be reached! Results for the October 2011 PreStew contest are also posted on the same website.

Results of the 2010 ARI DX International Contest
<http://www.ari.it/images/stories/diplomi/ARIDX-2010-DX-RESULTS.pdf>
(yes, 2010) are available with 2011 to follow shortly. (Thanks, ARI HF
Contest Manager, Bob I2WIJ)

Results for the 2011 Texas QSO Party <http://www.txqp.net/> have been
finalized and are now available on the contest website. (Thanks, TxQP
Coordinator, Chuck NO5W)

Official results for the 2011 EU HF Championship are now ready,
verified by the SCC Contest Committee and published on the SCC web page
<http://lea.hamradio.si/scc/euhf/euhfc.htm>. All UBN reports
<http://scc.hamradio.si/euhf/2011/ubn/> are publicly available as
usual, too. (Thanks, SCC Contest Manager, Robert S57AW)

The brand-new 10 Meter RTTY contest had 675 logs submitted according to
the "logs received" web page
<http://rttycontesting.com/tenmeterrttycontest/logs.html>. That's
excellent for a brand-new contest! (Thanks, Don AA5AU)

N6TV has been studying the raw data from the Reverse Beacon Network and
has prepared a tabulation of the most spotted stations
<http://reversebeacon.blogspot.com/2011/12/rbns-most-spotted-stations-in-cqwwcw.html>
from the recent CQWW CW Contest. (Thanks, Pete N4ZR)

Results of the 2011 Ukrainian DX Contest
<http://urdxc.org/results2011.php> are now available online. (Thanks,
Leo UT7CL)

OPERATING TIP

As you tune the bands next week, here are some ways to wish a Happy New
Year to your brothers and sisters around the world:

Xīn Ni�n Ku�i L� (Chinese)
Nouvelle ann�e heureuse (French)
Gl�ckliches neues Jahr (German)
Kal� hro�� (Greek)
Nuovo anno felice (Italian)
Akemashite omedetou (Japanese)
Ano novo feliz (Portuguese)
Novym Godom (Russian)
Feliz A�o Nuevo (Spanish)

More translations can be found at Babel Fish
<http://babelfish.yahoo.com/translate_txt> and About.com
<http://about.com/>.

==> TECHNICAL TOPICS AND INFORMATION

There's still plenty of low-band DX to be worked, even with the recent
solar activity. Guy K2AV has designed an inverted-L antenna that uses a
folded counterpoise. You can learn all the details of this antenna on
W0UCE's website <http://www.w0uce.net/K2AVantennas.html>. Those readers

living on a small lot or otherwise without a lot of space may find this design useful. Additional information can be found in the 2011 archives for the Topband reflector <http://lists.contesting.com/mailman/listinfo/topband> - search for the thread title "Best small space antennas". You can read more about propagation, particularly on 160 meters, on Carl K9LA's website <http://myplace.frontier.com/%7Ek9la/>.

Instead of looking for plastic caps that cover the end of hollow boom tubing, Don N8DE uses soft rubber balls that fit inside the end of the boom. He says that they last quite a bit longer than caps on the outside of the boom.

Rovers and portable operators may be interested in this Instructables "how-to" article <http://www.instructables.com/id/Print-Waterproof-Plastic-Maps/step9/Peel-a-Page-from-the-Clear-film/> about printing plastic maps that are waterproof and foldable. Not laminating but a process that uses sandwich and garbage bags and an ink-jet (not laser) printer. There are a number of steps involved but the process looks do-able. Also on the Instructables website is this neat collection of 24 different "radio hacks <http://www.instructables.com/id/Radio-Redux/>" that transform ordinary AM/FM receivers into completely different animals. You may find this thought-provoking for ham radio applications, too!

If you want to know why powdered-iron cores are usually specified over ferrite cores for RF transformers on the lower HF bands, Guy K2AV laid out some interesting history <http://lists.contesting.com/_topband/2011-12/msg00420.html> on the Topband reflector.

Here's an interesting story on "Big Batteries <http://www.designnews.com/author.asp?section_id=1395&doc_id=236610&cid=NL_Newsletters+-+DN+Daily>" that might get you thinking about replacing that generator! We're not talking about a pack of D-cells, here!

Paul W9AC mentioned an alternative to EZNEC - 4Nec2 <http://home.ict.nl/%7Earivoors/> - which is free from author Arie Voors. 4Nec2 will also open EZNEC files and supports the pro NEC/4 modeling engine if a license for it is purchased through Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory.

If you have a soldering iron or gun tip that is badly oxidized, the way to clean it right up is to use a sal ammoniac block (available at stained-glass window craft suppliers, for example) or a soldering iron cleaning paste such as from soldering equipment manufacturer Hakko <http://www.hakkousa.com/>. In both cases, avoid breathing the fumes given off as the tip is chemically scoured. (Thanks, Rod W7ZRC)

EDN magazine recently published a short online article by Dan KB6NU called "Build Something! <http://www.edn.com/blog/Voice_of_the_Engineer/41494-Build_something_.php>" about kit-building for ham radio. He lists several websites that provide kits and technical information. And they have also published the ever-popular Christmas tree light tester <http://www.edn.com/article/505111-Simple_tester_checks_Christmas_tree_lights.php> article, too!

A cover for your crank-up tower hoisting motor can never hurt, but if you need a replacement, Dan K0DAN recommends motors rated for "wash-down service". This is not a "submersible" motor but is rated for wet environments such as being exposed to the weather or getting spray-washed on a regular basis. Dan also notes that "even a wash-down motor can have its problems....those little compartments which contain the control relays, starter caps, etc., can leak, and should be inspected periodically, gaskets replaced, also protected with a bead of silicone caulk. If your motor is exposed to a lot of blowing rain, ice melt, etc., take steps to identify the source and protect the motor. Run the motor frequently...lack of use is a definite no-no. Change the oil in the gearbox once a year and inspect/lube pulleys, bearings, etc. A small amount of annual preventative maintenance will go a long way to extending the life of your motor, but eventually they will all need replacement."

Ken WA4MNT devised this terrific homebrew PCB holder <http://www.qrpbuilder.com/downloads/pcb_holder_you_can_build.pdf>. The dovetail groove prevents any slipping of the board from the fixture, with minimal clamping pressure. All of the building details and even a kit of machined parts for assembly are available online.

A comprehensive cross-reference for F connectors <http://www.beldenbroadband.com/pdf/LRCHB-DROP.pdf> has been published on the Belden web site. Some of the graphics don't seem to display properly but the text is OK and the connector table is fine. (Thanks, Roger N1RJ)

Another "junkyard find" was described by Ron N4XD as part of his quest to build a remote tune control for a vacuum variable. "I...was digging around...(and)...found an old broken car power antenna. Opening it I found it had a quite large motor, 12V of course. I used the large "wheel" that...gave me a slower rotation which turned out to be the perfect speed."

Many battery-powered accessories consume small amounts of power at all times, whether or not they are being used; boom mike preamps, for example. This wastes most of the battery energy but an on-off switch is often left out of the design! Pulling the batteries means a battery hunt every time you want to use the device. Here's an alternative - cut a small piece of plastic from one of those indestructible clamshell packages. Slip the plastic between one battery terminal and the battery, opening the power circuit (in most cases) - voila! Power switch! You can even close the access panel normally. If you lose the

plastic, so what? You can even use a piece of paper or cardboard in a pinch.

The end of the pre-holiday season can be a boon for hams - take a look in the lighting display bin! For example, as of 19 December, my local Target was having a 30% off sale on all electrical stuff related to decor - including a heavy-duty outdoor-rated extension cord with outlets in the middle and at each end. I immediately thought, "Field Day!"

Technical Web Site of the Week - The Design News story "Engineer's Toy Becomes a Profession <http://www.designnews.com/author.asp?section_id=1395&doc_id=235912>" will certainly bring forth a lot of old memories as it describes the discontinued building sets one couple decided to manufacture. Growing up with electricity and electronics kits were part of many ham childhoods - a parallel universe! If you hurry, there's still time for it to be delivered before Christmas morning!

==> CONVERSATION

Received and Understood

The top three US multi-op teams comprised about 36 operators and reported about 36,000 QSOs during the 48 hours of the CQ Worldwide CW contest. Add in the other multi-op teams around the world and you have a very large, very happy family making an extraordinary number of contacts. Imagine what you would see if you were watching from orbit with some "radio spectacles"!

These are wonderful experiences - if you've never participated in a big multi-op team, you should put it on your "gotta-do" list. It's a shared experience like few others in ham radio. The "gab" files of inter-station chit-chat are priceless records of the fast-paced teamwork and teasing only hinted at in the post-contest writeups. The post-contest pizza, the pre-contest repairs, stepping over the sleeping operators between shifts...it's all part of the game.

Single-op is certainly challenging and fun, too, with participants doing everything from part-time efforts to full-bore, Sunday-afternoon-sleep-deprivation-never-left-the-chair marathons. When you think about all of these different operators - thousands of them - distributed around the planet and taking to the airwaves in one big multi-band pileup...well, it is a wonderful feeling.

Although we are often solitary creatures, building and testing in our basements and shacks, when contest weekends roll around we become brothers and sisters in arms. If you think about it, probably some of the most profound personal experiences in our lives are those which take us "out of ourselves" and make us part of a much larger experience, even if only temporarily. Contesting certainly has the capability to be one of those experiences.

Writing and editing this newsletter, I'm very aware of the 25,000 readers, more-or-less, around the globe, any one or several of whom I may put in my log "on any given weekend." Hearing your familiar calls pop up out of the static is a great feeling, too, just as traveling to a multi-op builds up the anticipation I feel at seeing my friends and putting my shoulder to the wheel along with them. Perhaps this makes the Contest Update a kind of very, very large multi-op?

And I am most grateful to be part of those teams and the ham radio family in whatever capacities I can offer. There is so much we share - I hope that generous ham spirit is sprinkled into every heart during this holiday season and throughout the coming year. Ham radio is an activity in which no one can truly engage alone. There always has to be someone on the other end, doesn't there? Yes, there does have to be an essential connection, so as we close out 2011 my message to you is, QSL my friends, received and understood.

73, Ward N0AX

==> CONTESTS

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An expanded, downloadable version of QST's Contest Corral in PDF format <http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar> is available. Check the sponsor's Web site for information on operating time restrictions and other instructions.

HF CONTESTS

ARRL Straight-Key Night--CW, from Jan 1, 0000Z to Jan 1, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28, 50+. Exchange: General QSO information. Logs due: Jan 31. Rules <http://www.arrl.org/straight-key-night>

RAEM Contest--CW, from Dec 25, 0000Z to Dec 25, 1200Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: Serial and lat/long in degrees. Logs due: Jan 25. Rules <http://www.raem.qrz.ru/>

DARC Christmas Contest--Phone,CW, from Dec 25, 0830Z to Dec 25, 1059Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-7. Exchange: RS(T) and DOK or special station code. Logs due: 3 weeks. Rules <http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/contest/xmas/en>

SKCC Straight Key Sprint--CW, from Dec 28, 0000Z to Dec 28, 0200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50, Frequencies: Monthly on the 4th Wednesday UTC. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, name, SKCC nr or power. Logs due: 5 days. Rules <http://www.skccgroup.com/>

NAQCC Milliwatt Sprint--CW, from Dec 29, 0130Z to Dec 29, 0330Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, and NAQCC mbr nr or power. Logs due: 4 days. Rules <http://naqcc.info/>

New Years Snowball Contest--Phone,CW, from Jan 1, 0000Z to Jan 1, 0100Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5. Exchange: RST, serial, AGB number. Logs due: 3 weeks. Rules <http://ev5agb.com/index.htm>

SARTG New Year RTTY Contest--Digital, from Jan 1, 0800Z to Jan 1, 1100Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-7. Exchange: RST, serial, Happy New Year in your language. Logs due: Jan 31. Rules <http://www.sartg.com/>

AGCW Happy New Year Contest--CW, from Jan 1, 0900Z to Jan 1, 1200Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Exchange: RST, serial, AGCW number. Logs due: Jan 31. Rules <http://www.agcw.org/>

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ARRL Straight-Key Night--CW, from Jan 1, 0000Z to Jan 1, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28, 50+. Exchange: General QSO information. Logs due: Jan 31. Rules <http://www.arrl.org/straight-key-night>

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==> LOG DUE DATES

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- December 21 - CQ Worldwide DX Contest, CW <http://www.cqww.com/rules.php>
- December 21 - Homebrew and Oldtime Equipment Party <http://www.qrpcc.de/contestrules/hotr.html>
- December 21 - ARRL Rookie Roundup, CW <http://www.arrl.org/rookie-roundup>
- December 26 - Run for the Bacon QRP Contest <http://www.fpqrp.org/pigrun/>
- December 31 - Kentucky QSO Party <http://www.wkdxa.com/mainsite/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=45:wkdxa&catid=1:latest-news&Itemid=63>
- December 31 - All Austrian 160-Meter Contest <http://www.oevsv.at/export/oevsv/download/AOEC/Rules_AOEC_160m.pdf>
- December 31 - TOPS Activity Contest <http://www.procwclub.yo6ex.ro/TOP%20OF%20OPERATORS%20ACTIVITY%20CONTEST.pdf>
- January 1 - Feld Hell Sprint <http://sites.google.com/site/feldhellclub/Home/contests>
- January 1 - TARA RTTY Melee <http://www.n2ty.org/seasons/tara_melee_rules.html>
- January 3 - QRP ARCI Holiday Spirits Homebrew Sprint <http://www.qrparci.org/content/view/8108/118/>
- January 3 - ARRL 160-Meter Contest <http://www.arrl.org/160-meter>

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1203. BMI Nitelogger tape recorder controller operating voltage (?)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-21 10:48:10 UTC
From: ki4rwp@gmail.NoSpam.com
Message-ID: <4ef1b718.1404093@news.localnet.com>
Source record: 3793
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Perhaps someone could help.

I have an old (1990's) BMI Nitelogger (II?) and need to know the voltage used by this device. I have a Condor 9 volt 9 watt supply that I think may have been originally included with it, but am unsure and don't want to burn it up testing.

Have several different possible "wall warts", thus my problem.

Thanks.

1204. The ARES E-Letter for December 21, 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-21 13:56:54 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20111221045831.6A32A26C4D@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 3794
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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==> ARMY MARS PHASING OUT WINLINK

The Department of the Army has announced that it has begun to take
steps to phase out the use of the WINLINK <http://www.winlink.org/>
System. The military chain of command that governs Army MARS feels that
the Internet portion of WL2K leaves the system significantly open to
possible intrusion. To deal with this it plans to replace WINLINK with
a newer military e-mail system that has extensive protection against
any form of intrusion.

To replace the WL2K system, Army MARS will be expanding on the concept
of a national network that is voice, RTTY, MIL-STD 110A and PACTOR
capable. The focus of digital communication will be MIL-STD 188-110A,
wide shift RTTY, and PACTOR III. PACTOR will become even more important
as the new areas of focus will be "Peer to Peer" and "Keyboard to
Keyboard" PACTOR communications. Amateur modes such as MT-63, OLIVIA,
and WINMOR, which cannot be used by the military will be eventually
phased out as well.

A large contingent of skilled volunteer MARS operators will be required
to make this system work effectively and this is where current and
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prospective Army MARS members will be needed. The goal will be to help Army MARS return to what it is really supposed to be: A radio-only system to relay long haul traffic across the CONUS and OCONUS.

While these changes will affect Army MARS nationally, they are not abandoning state and local agencies. They are just moving away from giving them a winlink.org e-mail address. As they move forward, Army MARS will be able to offer these agencies the ability to relay traffic across the MARS radio-only network to anywhere across the country including such places as the Pentagon, National Guard Bureau, and the U.S. Army for requesting military support in a disaster. - Thanks, Mike Corey, KI1U, ARRL Emergency Preparedness Manager

==> ADD TELEVISION TO YOUR ARES TOOL KIT

This is a TV success story for a local ARES group. The Boulder County, Colorado, ARES group (District 11), BCARES, has experienced much success working with our county's emergency services organizations; in particular, fire and law enforcement. BCARES's tool kit includes all of the usual ham services, including HF/VHF/UHF voice communications, repeaters and various digital modes on HF plus packet on VHF/UHF with back-bone linked digipeaters. But, what Boulder County Public Safety lacked most was the specialty mode that we had to offer: television. Amateur Television (ATV) is the one BCARES capability that really excites our served agencies.

We started offering TV services 20 years ago at the encouragement of Captain Bill McCaa, K0RZ, of the Boulder County Sheriff's Office. McCaa was in charge of all of the Sheriff's communications and computer operations and the county regional 911 center. Over the past few years BCARES has received many more requests for assistance using TV than for all other communication modes.

TV offers the agency information in ways never imagined by us or them. It provides them with situational awareness, a buzzword for what is happening on the ground. It helps remove the need for many voice communication exchanges for information that is already contained in the video imagery. Television allows the Incident Commander at the Incident Command Post (ICP) to actually see what is happening at the scene(s) of the incident, be it a fire, flood, hazmat issue, riot, or SWAT operation. With this information, the Incident Commander is better able to make appropriate command decisions. Via our 2 meter, TV net controller, the Incident Commander is able to request BCARES cameras provide him with specific images and information. We are able to routinely provide television and other communication services in a completely infrastructure free manner.

Many times every year, BCARES is asked by our local law enforcement and fire departments to provide TV coverage of both real emergencies and also multi-agency training exercises. These have included large, forest fires, flash floods, hazardous materials incidents, civil disturbances, large political demonstrations and protests, Halloween on the Pearl St.

Mall, University of Colorado football games and SWAT operations. Boulder County ranks as the leading flash flood threat zone in the state of Colorado and BCARES is specifically written into County emergency planning.

BCARES' shining moment occured in September, 2010 when the worst forest fire in Colorado history broke out in Boulder County. The Four Mile Canyon fire burned over 6,400 acres of forest and destroyed 166 homes. BCARES assisted firefighters by providing live TV coverage from mountain tops back to the 911 center for a week. At the end, BCARES was credited with saving several homes. See the related article in May, 2011 QST.

When most hams think of ATV, they immediately assume its SSTV. This is not what BCARES does. Our TV is commercial grade, analog NTSC, real-time, live video with full color and sound transmissions. On the 70 cm band, we run full 6 MHz bandwidth, vestigial upper sideband (VUSB) TV transmissions. We use the same frequencies as used by cable TV. This allows our TV signals to be received directly on unmodified, cable-ready, TV receivers. For example, cable channel 57 equals 421.25 MHz, and channel 58 equals 427.25 MHz, et cetera. We also use the amateur 23 cm and 13 cm bands, for FM-TV.

A few Boulder County hams have their own home ham TV stations. With the exception of a Monday night TV net, there is little routine ham TV activity in the county. However, when we have a BCARES operation going, there may be as many as four or five TV channels lighting up and becoming active simultaneously on the 70 cm and 23 cm bands. Out of the 80+ BCARES members, about one half are TV trained and capable of operating our TV equipment.

When using TV for ARES operations, the same FCC rules and guidelines apply as for voice and data transmissions. We use common sense and decency along with the FCC rules to determine what are appropriate pictures to transmit. BCARES has turned down some requests for TV, typically for foot and bicycle races, when we determined they were for commercial, rather than bonafide public safety purposes.

BCARES uses commercial, off the shelf, consumer grade, Sony video camcorders. Our latest cameras are high-definition, but we only transmit conventional composite, NTSC, standard definition pictures. Using 1080i, high-definition cameras still results in much better quality images, even when transmitted in analog 480i, standard definition. The Sony camcorders include an infra-red, night vision mode capability, which has been found to be extremely useful for low light operations. For example, images we provided to the Fire Chief of a 2002 forest fire on the outskirts of Boulder offered extremely revealing, night time hot smoke clouds that were not at all obvious to the naked human eye. Through a long telephoto lens, the chief was able to follow the progress of his fire crews advancing up the mountainside towards the fire line.

In our 911 center equipment cache, we have several complete, portable TV transmitters packaged in backpacks. They are complete ready to go kits with Sony HD-TV camera, tripod, transmitter, antenna and battery. A Diamond SRH-999, flexible, 70 cm antenna is mounted high on the camera tripod, with a coax feed from the transmitter in the backpack. We use a 12 V, 7 amp-hour battery, which is sufficient to allow continuous, key-down, TV transmission for more than three hours.

Television has proved to be very useful to the Boulder County public safety agencies and as a result has gotten a lot more hams active in public service. There is nothing worse than having a group of dedicated ARES volunteers that never get called upon to serve. After awhile they lose interest. Then, when they are really needed, they are not there or maybe worse, they are untrained. With TV, that has happened far less to BCARES. We get called upon a lot. We recommend that other ARES groups consider adding TV to their ARES tool kits. -- Jim Andrews, KH6HTV, Boulder, Colorado ARES; TV Repeater Trustee W0BCR

==> WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA ARES: NBEMS FOR DATA COMMUNICATIONS

Narrow Band Emergency Messaging Software (NBEMS) is an open source software suite that allows Amateur Radio operators to reliably send and receive data using nearly any computer (Windows, Mac, and Linux) and any analog radio without requiring a dedicated digital infrastructure or specialized modem hardware. NBEMS works on both VHF/UHF FM and on HF. In an on-line presentation, readers can learn the basics of sending and receiving data using Fldigi, and how to verify file transfers with Flwrap. They will see how to easily send and receive verified text messages using Flmsg. NBEMS is the standard digital emcomm package for Western Pennsylvania ARES.

Advanced NBEMS

In a follow-up presentation, operators can also learn how to send and receive ICS-205, ICS-206, ICS-213, ICS-214, and ICS-216 forms in addition to ARRL Radiograms with Flmsg; and about new high speed modes in NBEMS. They can also see how to deal with large data files using Flwrap data compression and Flarq. Readers can also see real world through-put benchmarks and receive recommendations for how best to send data, and how to make a monitoring station automatically handle changes in NBEMS modes.

Click here <http://www.arrl.org/nbems/> for these on-line video presentations. - ARRL Web site

==> LETTERS: A TORNADO, AND LESSONS LEARNED

While I was unharmed and under no serious threat, I decided that having a tornado hit my street was the perfect time to test some of what I practiced with ham radio and emcomm. Several things went wrong, mostly due to my lack of preparedness. Trees were down, and so was power, cable TV, and the Internet.

I have an iPhone, and I thought I could find a hot spot. No luck: "Data services not available." The voice telephone of the iPhone worked, but only at times. Lesson: Cell phones are not reliable, even "smart" phones.

I had received an inquiry about conditions on my street and wanted to reply via e-mail. I decided I could use WL2K <http://www.winlink.org/> and WINMOR <http://www.winlink.org/WINMOR> via my HF radio as my antennas were intact. I loaded RMS Express <http://www.winlink.org/ClientSoftware> and composed my health and welfare response. I decided that I would not only send the e-mail to the friend that inquired, I would also copy it to my ARES DEC, ARRL SM, MARS commander, and other officials. But their e-mail addresses are not in my RMS Express address book, and I could not get into my e-mail account on-line to get their addresses. Another lesson learned: Have a hard copy list of important e-mail addresses.

I shrugged this problem off, and decided to send the single e-mail via RMS Express and WINMOR. I boot the modem only to receive a message informing me that it failed to initialize. Despite several attempts, I was never able to initiate a connection. Since the Internet was down, I could not simply telnet via Winlink. There is also no 2-meter nor UHF packet node within simplex distance for WL2K via packet. So, I gave up on WL2K.

I should point out that the failure was not due to WL2K; it was my failure. In two years of regular WL2K use via WINMOR, I had never made a connection with my Internet down. The problem was due to a port conflict, possibly in my router or PC firewall. The problem disappeared as soon as the Internet came back. Lesson learned: Test your WL2K capability without the Internet.

At this stage of my tornado evening, I am still a total communication failure. I considered alternatives: It was Monday night at 8:45, and I remembered that I am NCS for the 9:00 ARES/RACES net on my local wide-area UHF repeater system. What more could you need for getting a message out? The W2SB repeater was working well and my leaning antenna was still indicating an S9 signal back from the machine. I called up the net and asked for check-ins: Not a single station checked in. Despite a good active ARES group for drills, we often have difficulty getting more than 2-3 members to check in to the nets. This night of a tornado emergency, no one checked in.

I next considered PSKmail <http://pskmail.org/>. I moved to the 30-meter frequency where PSKmail servers are known to exist. I executed a "ping" via THOR 22 mode <http://www.w1hkj.com/FldigiHelp-3.20/Thor.html>. Lo and behold, two servers responded. I connected right away to the strongest one and executed the "send e-mail" command. The e-mail began to transfer but an old unsent e-mail in my outbox was sent first. I then spent the next 20 minutes in ARQ ping-pong and my health-and-welfare e-mail failed to transfer. I tried the other server and got a good connection immediately. Another twenty minutes of ARQ ping-pong and I gave up,

with the message failing to transfer. A few weeks earlier, I had discovered some issues with PSKmail and the authors had published fixes via an updated release of the software. I failed to install them when they were released, thinking I would do it "when I get time." Too late, I had no Internet to download it. Lesson learned: First, I failed to check the outbox and remove unimportant e-mail. In a real emergency, where power sources are scarce, wasting time and power due to an old unsent e-mail is not good. Second, I failed to update a software release that eliminated known communication problems. I did not get that e-mail out from my emcomm station, and I am the ARES EC! My friend eventually got a text message to me and I squeak out a reply via cell phone.

Later than night I switched to 3583 kHz and 7036 kHz where several stations were clearly audible and enjoying rag chews in digital modes. I was able to copy their QSOs and saw that most were using Fldigi <http://www.w1hkj.com/Fldigi.html>. With Fldigi I can switch to NBEMS <http://www.arrl.org/nbems> mode, and send e-mail to any station on frequency that also has Fldigi. The receiving station can relay the message on or pop it in to the Internet, an easy solution. By this time I did not need to send an e-mail, so I did not try. I had simply forgot about this option.

I then also remembered that I had missed two NTS nets that were easily within range on 80-meters. I could have sent a good ol' ARL ONE. I had forgotten this useful option, too.

Bottom Lines

I failed to fully test my station under exact conditions that would be encountered without the Internet. I failed to program my emergency communications e-mail software with important e-mail addresses. I failed to have a hard copy of my important e-mail addresses. I failed to realize that important information within a Gmail account (and other Web-based services) is not available if the Internet is down. I failed to perform critical emcomm software updates in a timely manner. I failed to write out my personal communications plan. (I had written the county ARES plan, but not my own!). Such a plan would not have caused me to forget two emcomm methods I could have easily used (NBEMS and plain old NTS). I hope your readers can learn from my mistakes. -- Andy O'Brien, K3UK <k3ukandy@gmail.com>, Emergency Coordinator, Chautauqua County, New York

==> LETTERS: COLLECTIONS OF SET SCENARIOS NEEDED

This may have been brought up in the past, but I was wondering if your readers knew of any collections of practice scenarios that could be perused by those wishing to provide an SET that is both pertinent and interesting, if not unique. It seems that it is often difficult to make up a decent incident; a pool would share good ideas, as well as spur some new ones. I would appreciate any information your readers may have. -- Jan Woldseth, KB6FMZ <jwoldseth@hotmail.com>, DEC4, Sacramento

Valley, California ARES

Training: COML -- TYPE III Communications Unit Leader

During all-hazards emergency response operations, communications among multiple jurisdictions and disciplines--including emergency medical, fire, and law enforcement services--is essential. Unfortunately, the absence of on-scene communications coordination has often compromised critical operations. To close this capability gap, the Department of Homeland Security's (DHS) Office of Emergency Communications (OEC) in partnership with the Office for Interoperability and Compatibility (OIC), the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), National Integration Center (NIC), and practitioners from across the country developed performance and training standards for the All Hazards Type III Communications Unit Leader (COML) as well as formulated a curriculum and comprehensive All-Hazards Type III COML Course.

The Type III COML course trains emergency responders to be communications unit leaders during all-hazards emergency operations, significantly improving communications across the multiple disciplines and jurisdictions responding to an incident. This COML training will qualify emergency responders to lead ICS communications units if they possess the necessary prerequisites, including knowledge of the following: local communications; communications systems; and regional, State, and local communications plans. COML responsibilities include developing plans for the effective use of incident communications equipment and facilities, managing the distribution of communications equipment to incident personnel, and coordinating the installation and testing of communications equipment.

Among other prerequisites, the COML candidate must complete the following training courses:

· IS-700 -- Explains the purpose, principles, key components, and benefits of NIMS. The course also contains Planning Activity screens, allowing participants to complete planning tasks during this course.

· IS-800b -- Introduces participants to concepts and principles of the National Response Framework.

· ICS-100 -- Introduces ICS; provides the foundation for higher-level ICS training; describes ICS history, features, principles, and organizational structure; and the relationship between ICS and NIMS.

· ICS-200 -- Provides training on, and resources for, personnel who are likely to assume a supervisory position within ICS.

· ICS-300 -- Provides training on, and resources for, personnel who are required to implement advanced application of the ICS.

NIMS Compliant: The National Incident Management System (NIMS) provides a consistent, nationwide approach for agencies to manage emergency response operations. Recognized by the FEMA/NIC as supporting NIMS, the

Type III COML course is being made available to States and localities. -- DHS/FEMA

==> R. KENT TEVAULT SCHOLARSHIP FOR EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS

The DuPage County (Illinois) Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) has officially launched the R. Kent TeVault Scholarship In Emergency Communications. The scholarship program, which was named for the team's founder and first Emergency Coordinator, was created to further emergency communications within Amateur Radio.

The R. Kent TeVault Scholarship in Emergency Communications has been designed to offer a scholarship to encourage emcomm training in general, and for the benefit of the DuPage County ARES team specifically. This scholarship will reimburse selected Amateur Radio operators who take and successfully pass the ARRL Introduction to Emergency Communications Course (EC-001). A complete description of the program and an application can be found on the team's web site at www.dupageares.org <http://www.dupageares.org/> on the "Emcomm Scholarship" page. -- Michael J. Schulz, W9MJS, EC, DuPage County Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES), Illinois

==> ARRL ORANGE SECTION HAMS RECOGNIZED

On October 28, 2011, California's 62nd District Assemblywoman Wilmer Amina Carter recognized local hams at the "Third Annual Public Safety Awards" volunteer recognition ceremony at The Inland Regional Conference Center in San Bernardino, California. Representatives from Congressman Baca's office, city, county and state government offices (San Bernardino County Fire, Fontana Police Department, Rialto Fire Department) were in attendance. Each fire and police department honored their respective nominees with certificates of recognition.

The following were awarded for their communications expertise and volunteerism within their respective public safety agency:

• Jim Eason, AD6IJ, volunteer work with San Bernardino County Fire Department, club affiliation is with the Citrus Belt ARC as president.

• Jon Montgomery, K6FZZ, volunteer work with San Bernardino County Fire Department, club affiliation is with the Citrus Belt ARC as treasurer.

• Louis Johnson, K6UMX, volunteer with the Fontana PD, club affiliation Fontana ARC, ARRL VE, and Elmer.

• Joe Martinez, NJ6OE, volunteer with the Rialto Fire Department, club affiliation President, Rialto ARC, Webmaster for K6RIA.net, and ARRL VE.

Congratulations to all four, and thank you for your services to each of your communities. -- Carl Gardenias, WU6D, ARRL Orange Section Manager

==> LETTERS: WESTERN WASHINGTON SECTION WRITES INTEROPERABILITY PLAN

You published my request for "sharing of District-level and Section-level written plans that outline mutual aid agreements" in the June E-Letter. Unfortunately, I did not receive any responses from other areas of the country. As a result, District 4 in the Western Washington Section wrote an interoperability plan from scratch which has now been signed off by the Emergency Managers and Amateur Radio emcomm leaders in the four counties. This document is available here <http://radio.aberle.net/EmComm-Interop-Plan,v1.0.pdf> for those who would like to see what we came up with. Much more work on the appendices needs to be done, but at least we now have a guiding document that we can build upon. -- Steve Aberle, WA7PTM, ARRL Official Emergency Station (OES), Western Washington Section

==> HAMS HELP SAVE THE LIFE OF FELLOW HAM

It was 10:00 PM as I reached for the power button of my ham radio and call it a night. Just before my finger touched the switch I heard a faint call -- someone was lost and needed help. Naturally, I would stick around to hear more. After all, this is one of those rare moments many hams live for.

Ron, KB6UF was not only lost in the Sierra Nevada mountains but also stuck. While driving alone from Louisiana to California to visit his grandkids for the Thanksgiving holiday the 68 year old missed the exit where he was scheduled to stay at a hotel. So he turned to his GPS. It instructed Ron to turn here and go there. The road turned into a gravel road and Ron knew something was wrong. "I felt like I was going in circles," he later said. He was 8 miles from the main road.

Pitched black and no street lights for miles, Ron hit a ditch. The front wheels of his small truck were in the air and it was clear he was going nowhere fast. He checked his cell phone. No cells. He has a 2 meter radio in his truck. No answers on any local repeaters. He turned to 40 meters, remembering there are usually a bunch of hams on 7.195 MHz.

Within minutes, multiple hams were offering advice; use the low gear, fill in the hole with brush and sand, rock the truck back and forth. Somebody asked if Ron's GPS was working. It was. Ron gave out his coordinates over the air. Now as many as 100 hams monitoring the frequency knew Ron's exact location: in the hills near Mono Lake, California, near the Nevada-California border.

Dave, N5SDO in New Mexico stepped up and became net control. Everyone including Ron can hear Dave. Dave assessed Ron's predicament by asking pertinent questions: Are you alone? How much fuel do you have? Do you have food or water? Is there somebody we can call for you? Ron gave Dave an 800 number to the Sheriff's office. Dave tried the 800 number but it was a non-functioning number.

I thought about that non-working 800 number for a second. Maybe the Sheriff's office discontinued the 800 service due to budget cuts, so I Googled the 800 number and found the local dispatch number to Mono Lake

Sheriff's office in California. I called it. I had to explain I'm a ham radio operator in Chicago and I'm monitoring a man stranded and lost in hills near Mono Lake. The dispatcher said she would bring this info to her sergeant. Ten minutes later the sergeant returned my call. I quickly explained what had been happening over the past 90 minutes. "Does he need a tow or is this a search and rescue?," asked the sheriff. I relayed the question to Dave who then asked Ron. Ron said he was requesting an officer. As soon as the sheriff heard "requesting an officer" he said someone will be there in 30 minutes.

When Ron announced on the radio he could see the lights of the sheriff's car approaching, many hams monitoring the frequency cheered on air. Working together Ron doubled the nylon rope the sheriff had in an attempt to pull Ron's small truck out of the ditch. The rope snapped. Luckily, there was a piece long enough to triple fold the line and that proved strong enough to pull Ron's vehicle free. Again, hams cheered on the air as Ron was following the Sheriff back to town.

The sheriff said, "It's a good thing you had that radio otherwise we would have found you in the Spring. Nobody comes up here this time of year."

HF was the only way Ron was able to get help. Thank goodness he had a good HF mobile or he might have been out there for days (or longer). Several comments were heard stating "that does it, I was thinking about putting an HF rig in the mobile but now I'm convinced and going to do it" after listening in that night.

Thanks to all the hams that helped a fellow ham in need, especially Dave N5SDO in New Mexico, Nick W9ZXT in Illinois, Jerry N0VXE in Colorado, Dan KD0LYK in Kansas and Dave W7DBS in Nevada and of course the Mono Lake Sheriff's Office. -- Henry Schleichkorn, K9KDE, Chicago, Illinois henry@k9kde.com

==> K1CE FOR A FINAL

These are the last words I'll be writing in 2011, and I wanted to close the year out by thanking Mike Corey, KI1U, ARRL Emergency Preparedness Manager, for all of his efforts in editing this newsletter, and for his dedication and enthusiasm, expertise and experience, in managing the ARRL Headquarters' emergency response and field support functions. He does a superb job for all of us.

You can now read my deathless prose in the Public Service column in QST each month. In the January issue, I wrote about the intangibles that make or break an EC, and how to pick a good one in the first place. Check it out! And happy holidays from all of the ARES E-Letter editorial/production staff here in the executive suites tower on the ARES E-Letter corporate campus in Flagler County, Florida! 73's to all, and to all, a good night. -Rick Palm, K1CE

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1205. [DXNL] DXNL 1759 (Dec 21, 2011)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-21 19:09:48 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <2876424843.20111221194701@dxhf.darc.de>
Source record: 3795
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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The team of the DX Newsletter wishes its readers Merry Christmas and a
happy year 2012 with lots of DX and QSL cards! May the lived and experienced
Ham Spirit provide much pleasure for the common hobby!

9X, RWANDA
Carl,SM6CPY, will be QRV in holiday style signing 9X0PY between Dec 24
until Jan 7. QSL via homecall.

CO, CUBA, NA-015
Riccardo,IZ1GDB, is going to visit Orelvis,CO6LC, from Dec 22-28.
He may use Riccardos station which produces loud signals in Europe.
QSL via IZ1GDB, direct or via bureau.

CT3, MADEIRA ISLAND, AF-014
Dave,CT3/G3ZXX/p, is working in digital modes, ROS, Olivia and JT65 on
10m-20m (emphasis on WARC bands) from Madeira (AF-014) until Dec 25.
QSL only via e-mail. See also QRZ.com.

EI, IRELAND, EU-115
Don,W4ZYT, is active as EI2IM from Dublin mostly in CW on 80m-10m
until December 28. QSL via homecall.

HS, THAILAND
The clubstation HS0AC has been totally destroyed after the big flood
in Thailand. See also: http://www.qsl.net/rast

I, ITALY
The special event station II0UI celebrates the 150th anniversary of
the unification of Italy until Dec 31. QSL via IZ0TTE.

JD1/OG, OGASAWARA ISLAND, AS-031
Makoto,JI5RPT, will sign JD1BLY from Chichijima Island (AS-031, WLOTA
2269, JCG 10007, Loc. QL17) in CW, SSB and digital modes on 80m-6m
(also via satellite) between Dec 24 and Jan 2. QSL via homecall.

See also: http://www.ji5rpt.com/jd1 and http://twitter.com/jd1bly

R1/M, MALYJ VYSOTSKIJ ISLAND, EU-117
Malyj Vysotskij Island will probably deleted from the DXCC entity list
next year. As far as we know there is no DXpedition planned anymore.

TA, TURKEY
The OMs TA1HZ, TA1GE, TA2AEM and TA1AES are going to activate the
special event station TC9SAM mainly on 40m and 80m from Dec 23-26 to
remember the casualties of the Sarikamis campaign of World War I.
QSL via TA1HZ. See also QRZ.com and http://www.tif.org.tr/tif/en

V5, NAMIBIA
Martin,V5/DL1ZU, is on a trip in the Caprivi strip from Dec 21 until
Jan 13. He is using an IC-706 with Triple Leg and dipole. The main
operating modes will be CW plus PSK, RTTY and SSB. QSL via homecall.

VP8/SS, SOUTH SHETLAND ISLANDS, AN-010
Adrian,EA1CYK, is active from the research base "Gabriel de Castilla"
(WAP ESP-02) on Deception Island/South Shetland (AN-010) signing
EA1CYK/p during his spare time until Mar 2012. He may visit the base
"Juan Carlos I" (WAP ESP-01) on Livingston Island (also South Shetland)
as well. He has been spotted with a good signal on 10m last weekend.
QSL via EA7LS.

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de
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Kelly,N0VD, has developped the new DX cluster DX2GO for smartphones.
See also: http://m.dx2go.com

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Dec 25: RAEM International HF Contest CW

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AS-079, JA6, Miyako Islands: Takeshi,JS6RRR, will be QRV as JS6RRR or
JI3DST/JS6 from Miyako Island (AS-079-005, JCC#4714) between Dec 23
and Jan 5, 2012. He plans to be QRV in CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK31 and FM on
160m/80m/75m/40m/30m/20m/17m/15m/12m/10m/6m. He also plans to show up
JS6RRR/JS6 or JI3DST/JS6 for one or two times from following islands:
Ikema-jima (AS-079-001) and Kurima-jima (AS-079-003).
QSL via JI3DST (bureau/direct). See also QRZ.com.

EU-038, PA, Noord Holland/Friesland/Groningen prov. group: Marcel,PD5MVH/p,
plans to activate Vlieland Island (WLOTA 0773) from Dec 23 until Jan 6.
QSL via homecall (bureau/direct).

EU-146, PA, Zuid Holland/Zeeland Province group: Cecile,ON5TC, Ronald,ON5TQ, Michel,ON6QO, and Peter,ON8VP, will show up as PA/homecalls from Schouwen-Duiveland (WLOTA 3089) mainly in CW on 40m/30m/20m (maybe also SSB) from Dec 26-29. QSL via homecall.

NA-015, CO, Cuba: Until Jan 2 Pavel,CO7WT, is looking for other HAMs who want to make UNPROTO-QSO's via ISS and NO-44 satellites (Packet AFSK 1200 mode) with him. QSL via N2CQ.

OC-164, VK6, Western Australia State (S.W. Coast) South group: John,VK6HZ, is expected to show up as VK6ARI from Rottnest Island (WLOTA 2197) from Dec 23-30. He is working holiday style in SSB, PSK and RTTY and is possible also in CW. Listen for him on the usual IOTA frequencies. QSL via VK6HZ (bureau/direct/LoTW).

IOTA approval: The IOTA committee accepts QSLs of following DXpeditions from Sep until Nov 2011 for IOTA credit: 9M2/IZ1MHY (AS-073), 7Z7AA (AS-191) and CE4A (SA-095).

Reminder: The IOTA 50th Anniversary Marathon starts on Jan 1, 2012. More detailed information can be found on the website of RSGB IOTA.

Lighthouse activities

JD1BLY LH 2269 Dec 24 until Jan 2, 2012

Bandspots of the last 7 days

160m
KH2/N2NL 1.829 2010Z via W2YC (B), (L)

30m
C31CT 10.107 1609Z (d)
LY100SP 10.105 0647Z via LY3BY (B), (L)
VP5/W5CW 10.115 0522Z via W5CW (d)
VK5CZ 10.118 0856Z
5R8IC 10.103 1827Z via F6ICX (B)

20m
KI6J 14.061 1726Z SOTA CT-034
R3ARS/3 14.043 0639Z via RA3AKF (B)
VA2IEI 14.345 1804Z SOTA QC-017
VE2DFZ 14.345 1812Z SOTA QC-017
W4EON 14.340 1736Z SOTA W4/BR-009
ZP5KO 14.013 0650Z via PY4KL
5N6EAM 14.220 0753Z via IK2IQD (d)

17m
HI3/KL7JR 18.148 1159Z NA-096, via KL7JR
VP5/W5CW 18.073 1144Z NA-002, via W5CW (d)

15m
EA8TL 21.019 1548Z (B), eQSL
K4QS 21.061 1649Z SOTA 4/SH-013

SU9VB 21.033 1529Z (L), (d)
VU2XO 21.280 1232Z (B)
7Z1HL 21.012 1147Z via DJ9ZB (B)

12m
T6MO 24.910 0813Z via K9GY (B)
VE7IG/VE1 24.895 1244Z NA-010, via VE7IG (B)

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(L) = LoTW
(r) = bureau QSL via e-mail request

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

09Dec-09Jan 3D2AG/p 1757
-Dec 3Y8XSA 1700/1717
Unknown 4J29RA.. 1758
12Dec-10Mar 4S7KKG 1757
19Dec-04Jan 5V7MA 1758
Unknown 5W0OJ 1757
-2014 5Z4EE 1742/1753
-Apr/12 5Z4RH ? 1674
-31Mar 8J1ING 1751
-30Sep 8J2NDP.. 1751
31Jan/12 8J4EQ 1754
10Dec-05Mar 8J6HAM 1757
-31Dec 9A11P 1723
-2012 9J2RI 1739/1742
Long term 9N1FE 1740
Soon 9Q1EK 1669
-Oct/14 9V1RM 1751
24Dec-07Jan 9X0PY 1759 *

-Sep/13 A52SV 1752
20Dec-10Jan A6/VE6LB 1758
-31Dec BP100 1684
-31Dec BV100 1684/1755/1756
-Mar/12 CE9VPM 1752
-31Dec CW5RV 1711
05Oct-31Dec CY0/VE1AWW 1748
-Jul/12 D2QV 1750
-Apr/12? D2SG 1748
-Feb/13 DP0GVN 1756
-31Dec DP30OVW 1757
16Dec-23Dec E44PM 1758
19Dec-31Dec E51AND 1758
-Mar/12 EA1CYK/P 1759 *
-28Dec EI2IM 1759 *
01Dec-28Feb EM0BSCC/mm 1756

-31Jan EM1000USK 1758
01Dec-30Dec EM20C.. 1756

-Mar/13 FH8NX 1747
-10Jan FR/F6CAM 1757
-Jul/12 FR8NE 1710
-31Dec GB40HMSB 1748
Dec GX4BJC/A.. 1757
-31Dec HB60LU 1711
-31Dec HG15IPA 1724
01Jan-31Dec HG200LST 1708
-09Jan HH2/HB9AMO 1756
Sep -2013 HI3/KL7JR 1745
NOW HL2/KC6STQ 1746
01Jan-31Dec IA7MM 1708
-Dec/12 ID9DXC.. 1755
-Feb/12 II0MZ 1755
-31Dec II0UI 1759 *
01Jan-31Dec II1ITA.. 1708
-31Dec II4LXV 1742

-2012 J28FJ 1739
-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul/12 J28RO 1683
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
24Dec-02Jan JD1BLY 1759 *
Dec/11 JG8NQJ/JD1 1739/1756
23Dec-05Jan JS6RRR.. 1759 *
-Apr/12 KC4AAC 1757
-2013 KG4AJ 1756
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
-May/12 KH4/W5FJG 1728
Postponed KH5 1674/1705/1741
-31Dec LA200D 1713
-31Dec LM9L40Y 1748
05Dec-25Dec LY100SP 1756
Dec LZ1363PTT 1756
-31Dec LZ85R 1721

-Mar/12 OA/OE3NHW 1749
-31Dec ON30CLM 1753
-Feb/12 OR4TN 1754
Long term P29FM 1752
-Mar/12 P29FR 1742
-31Dec P41HQ 1758
26Dec-29Dec PA/ON5TC.. 1759 *
01Jan-31Dec PA30.. 1708
-Apr/12 PJ4/PE1MAE 1753
01Dec-28Dec PG65ISWL 1756
-Dec RI1ANC 1708
-Sep/12 RI1FJA 1741

-Sep/12 RI1FJM 1741
NOW ST2AR 1745
Unknown SU9VB 1754
-Apr/12 T6BP 1746
-Jun/12 T6MO 1733
23Dec-26Dec TC9SAM 1759 *
Unknown TL8ES 1755
-Jul/12 TN9SN 1755
23Oct-23Dec TT8PK 1670/1723/1752

-31Dec UP20B.. 1757
16Dec-27Dec V31NB 1758
02Dec-16Jan V5/DJ2BQ.. 1756
21Dec-13Jan V5/DL1ZU 1759 *
-Nov/14 V73NS 1604/1668/1752
23Dec-30Dec VK6ARI 1759 *
-Dec/11 VK0BFG 1741
NOW VK0TH (Macq) 1748
-14Dec VP5CW.. 1756
-Feb/12 VP8DMH 1757
28Oct-31Dec VP9/N1SV 1747
28Oct-31Dec VP9/N1SV 1751
-Jul/12 VQ9JC 1755
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
-25Dec XR45EI 1758
Unknown XV9DX.. 1756
-31Dec ZL50GH 1711
Dec ZF2HZ 1756
-29Dec ZK2V.. 1749/1756
-2012 ZS7KX 1740/1749

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

A61BK via NI5DX (B)
AH0J via JA1NVF (B)
BA1BJ via K1NIU (d)
CO7WT via N2CQ (B), (L)
CS2P via CT1BWU (B), eQSL
D2ER via IZ2ETU
DL/ON6UU/p via ON6UU (B)
DR2W via DH3WO (B)
DU1/JJ5GMJ via JH5RXS (B), (L)
E44PM via HB9IQB (B)
EA1/LW3EQU via EA1DMB (B)
EA1CYK/p via EA7LS (B)
EA7/ON4LO via ON4LO (B)
EA8/DL3OH via DL3OH (B)
EI2IM via W4ZYT (B)

EM2G via UR7GO
EX2X via EA5KB (B)
EX8VZ via RW6HS (d)
FK8GX via W3HNK (d)
FR5DZ via F6CXV (B)
HF3R via SP3GEM (B)
II0UI via IZ0TTE (B)
II1IAME via IZ8QNX (B)
J6/WF2S via WF2S (B), (L)
J68FF via W3FF (d)
JD1BLY via JI5RPT (B)
JI3DST/JS6 via (B)
JS6RRR via (B)
KC4AAC via K1IED (d)
KH6/K3BI via JJ3AZA (B), (L)
KL7SB via NI5DX (B)
KP2VI via EB7DX (d), (L)
KP3A via W3HNK (d)
LY2011XMAS via LY2QT
MD/EB1BSV via EB1BSV (B)
OM/HA6QR/p via HA6QR
OM7M via OM3PA (B)
OR2A via ON1CB (B), (L)
OR2R via ON6LJ (B), (L), eQSL
P39P via 5B4ES (B)
P40TA via WM6A (B)
PA/ON5TC via ON5TC (B)
PA/ON5TQ via ON5TQ (B)
PA/ON6QO via ON6QO (B)
PA/ON8VP via ON8VP (B)
PB11XMAS via (B)
PG65ISWL via PA0FAW (B)
PI4DX via PD1DX (B)
PI9SRS via PD9RAY (B)
PJ2/WI9WI via WI9WI (B)
PJ7XK via JA7WFT (B)
PR5B via 6K5YPD (B)
PY0FF via W9VA (B)
R115GV via RU3XP
R1941RB via R2DX (B), (L)
R3ARS/3 via RA3AKF (B)
RT4F via RK4FWX (B)
SO4M via SP4MPG (L), eQSL
ST2UOK via EA7FTR
SU/HA3JB via HA3JB (d)
SV0XCC/9 via LZ1YE (d)
SV8GKE via SV3DCX (B)
SX100A via (B)
T2V via VK4FW (B)
T6RH via NI5DX (B)

T88CR via JA8CCL (B)
T88NU via SM0GNU (B)
T88WJ via JS3LSQ (B)
T8CC via UA4CC (L)
T8UU via UA4CC (L)
TA3/LZ1NK via LZ1NK (B)
TC7B via W3HNK (d)
TC9SAM via TA1HZ (B)
TM4Q via F6FYA (B)
TM4TLT via F4KIP (B)
TM6M via F4DXW (B)
TM95BV via F6KUP (B), F5LPY (d)
TO7A via UT5UGR (d)
TP50CE via F5LGF (B)
TU5JM via DB1DT (B, after Dec 2010)
UE70MB via RD3FI (B)
UK8OWW via 4Z5OG (d)
UN1L via W3HNK (d)
UN7MMM via EA7FTR
UP20B via UN7BWA
UP20BCF via UN7BCF
V63RR via K7JA
V85/9M8Z via M0URX (B)
VK6ARI via VK6HZ (B), (L)
VK6AU via N1DT
VP2ETN via JN1RVS (B)
VP2MGO via DF7OGO (B)
VP2V/N3DXX via K2PF (B)
VP5/W5CW via W5CW (d)
VP5/W5KD via W5KD
VP5CW via W5CW (d)
VP8DMH via M0PRL (d)
VX3NOO via VE3NOO (B)
W2/CT1GIF via W2 bureau
W2VGA/6Y5 via W2VGA
W3JH/KH2 via JR3QFB (d)
W6W via KM6HB (B), (L) (only Dec 8-11, 2011)
W8XGI/KH2 via JA1XGI (L)
WH0E via JH3LFL (B)
WP2/WA0ROI via WA0ROI (B), (L)
XU7SSB via XU7AAA (d)
YI9EO via N4EO (d)
YS1RS via EB7DX (d)
YU1OOW via YT2AA (B)
ZP5/LU9ESD via LU9ESD (d, 3 US $)
4K6/JR0HYT via JR0HYT (B)
9Q6AL via DF9TA (B)
9X0PY via SM6CPY (B)

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(*) = new QSL manager
(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) = e-mail request

QSLs arrived direct: HR9/WQ7R, JT1CS, ZD8ZZ

QSLs arrived bureau: B7P (BA7NQ), DR60BENE (DG2MEL), E44M (SP3DOI),
EK0B (SP9ERV), EO65S (UW5SW), FJ/OH2YL (OH2YL),
HI9/IZ4AFW, HL5/DL3OCH, LM9K75Y, MC0SHL, MU0GSY,
OR4TN (ON5TN), P29CS (M0URX), PA50RNARS (PA0VLA),
PJ4N (DJ8NK), SP2010CY (SP5BMU), SQ200FC (SQ8CWO),
TO7ZG (DL7AFS), VK4LDX/p (OC-138), VY0X (VE3LYC),
VY0V (NA-231, via VE3LYC), Z21LS (DE1ZHB),
3DA0NW (K9NW), 3Z65MC (SP5KCR), 5N0OCH (DL3OCH),
9H3TK, 9L5MS (PA3AWW), 9M2MRS (PA0RRS), 9V1SV

Addition to UA prefixes

There is another message from the ARRL:
Stations with the prefixes R8, R9, RA8-RZ9 and UA8-UI9 (with F, S, T, W or X
as the first character in the suffix) are located in European Russia also.
See also: http://www.arrl.org/news/new-russian-prefix-system-in-use

OPs wanted for Botswana
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if you like to join a DXpedition to Botswana in March 2012, please contact
Frosty, K5LBU (3da0cf@gmail.com). They also plan to take part in the
CQ WPX Contest as A25HQ.

Many thanks for contributing to this issue of the DXNL are going to:
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DL7VOA, F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX, K2PF, NG3K, OH2BU, TA1HZ and others.

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The German PDF version can be found on the DARC homepage at:
http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxmb/2011

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http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxnl

1206. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2011-047E - RAC Holiday Office Hours - 2011/2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-21 19:20:43 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4EF2322B.8040705@rac.ca>
Source record: 3796
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2011-047E - RAC Holiday Office Hours - 2011/2012
2011-12-21

The RAC office will be closed December 24, 25, 26, and 27th.

We will be open December 28, 29, and 30th, and will be available
during core hours which are 10:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M. Eastern Standard Time.

We will also be closed January 1 and 2nd and return to our regular
hours on January 3rd.

Today is the winter solstice and the shortest day of the year.

Happy New Year, from Dave and the office volunteers, Gary, Mike, and
George.

Frank Greene
Office Manager - Radio Amateurs of Canada

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Vernon Erle Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Quebec
RAC E-News/Web News Bulletin Editor
<racnews@rac.ca>

You are receiving this bulletin because you are subscribed to an electronic mailing list.
For more information or to change your subscription please visit:
http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

1207. Welcome to rec.radio.info!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-22 07:00:03 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/rec-radio-info/welcome-1-1324537201@panix.com>
Source record: 3797
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.info,rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.answers,news.answers

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/rec-radio-info/welcome
Revision: 1.4 2008/02/09 19:36:10
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

*** Welcome to rec.radio.info! ***

Welcome to rec.radio.info, a group that aims to provide a noise-free
source of information and news for the entire rec.radio hierarchy.

Two introductory articles about rec.radio.info are posted to the group
every month. You are now reading the first article, which explains what
rec.radio.info is, and answers some Frequently Asked Questions. The
second article is titled Posting Guidelines, and you only need to read
it if you want to submit an article to rec.radio.info.

You can skip to the next section of this article by searching for the
next
" -- " string. The sections available are:
- What is the purpose of rec.radio.info?
- Why are messages almost always cross posted to rec.radio.info?
- What is a 'follow-up', and what does 'moderated' mean?
- OK, so now I know what 'moderated' means. Tell me more.
- What type of material is considered inappropriate?
- I do not have access to news, how can I get the information posted to
rec.radio.info?
- Will the material appearing in rec.radio.info be archived somewhere?
- I have a regular posting with timely information, is there a way to
speed up it's delivery, or automate for more convenience?

-- What is the purpose of rec.radio.info?

The purpose or charter of rec.radio.info is to provide the Usenet
community with a resource for information, news, and facts about any and
all things radio.

All the other rec.radio groups are intended for discussions and general
chit chat about radio. Rec.radio.info will contain informational,
factual articles only. Follow-ups are redirected to an appropriate other
group, and further discussion (if any) will not take place in
rec.radio.info.
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In order to ensure that rec.radio.info contains only appropriate articles, it was decided to create the group as a moderated newsgroup.

-- Why are messages almost always cross posted to rec.radio.info?

It provides a "tag" for each article to be assembled into a filtered presentation in rec.radio.info (even with cross-posting, only one message, with a unique Message-ID, is propagated across the net). This tag also facilitates a pre-existing method of dropping or canceling the articles locally within the discussion groups if you don't want to see them. This accommodates individuals who want to separate the bulletins from the discussions, discussions from the bulletins, as well as those who are adamant about not reading another newsgroup and wanted to see everything all in one basket.

With the total size of Usenet (in number of newsgroups and total traffic) doubling every year or so, this is no insignificant contribution to reducing information noise and chaos. Making the discussion groups a catch-all, and making extra newsgroups filters on that catch-all, is also the most realistic way to implement such a scheme (It's not intuitively obvious what the charter, contents, and general appropriate topics for each and every newsgroup are. Seeing FAQ's and charter/intro postings in the home newsgroup is beneficial for new readers).

By cross-posting one only is adding a few tens of bytes to each bulletin (to specify the extra group on the Newsgroups line), but are adding the capability for very powerful filtering features available on most news servers, listservers and readers. Your local news guru could probably explain these features in more detail.

In rn, for example, according to Leanne Phillips in her rn kill-file FAQ, add a line of the form:

/Newsgroups:.*[,]rec\.radio\.info/h:j

either in ~/News/KILL (if you don't want to see rec.radio.info articles anywhere) or ~/News/rec/radio/amateur/misc/KILL (if you don't want to see them just in rec.radio.amateur.misc). The latter method means your kill file will only be consulted during rec.radio.amateur.misc (and hence runs more efficiently), and will probably work for most people.

In nn, according to Bill Wohler in his nn FAQ, add a line of the form:

rec.radio.info:!s/:^

in ~/.nn/kill (if you don't want to see rec.radio.info articles anywhere), or put the following lines:

sequence
rec.radio.info
rec.radio.

at the end of ~/.nn/init in order to see all the rec.radio.info bulletins first, then read the remaining rec.radio.* without the

bulletins.

In slrn, according to the srln FAQ, the following scoring rule will | allow you to see rec.radio.info-crossposted bulletins, while still | filtering out most SPAM or "Velveeta" crossposted to more than 2 | newsgroups (as such articles usually do not contain a 'Followup-To:' | header): |

Score: -9999 |
Newsgroups: ,.*, |
~Followup-To: . |

More information about kill files may be obtained from Dave Fawthrop's Killfile FAQ at:

http://www.hyphenologist.co.uk/killfile/

-- What is a 'follow-up', and what does 'moderated' mean?

If you are new to Usenet and are not familiar with the terminology, you might want to read the general introductory articles found in the newsgroup news.announce.newusers. Doing so will make your life on the net much easier, and will probably save you from making silly beginner's mistakes.

If you think that at this moment you are reading an echo, a conference, or a bulletin board, I'd also strongly suggest a trip over to news.announce.newusers.

For the rest of this article, we will assume you have a basic knowledge of Usenet terminology and mechanics.

A moderated group means that any article that needs to be posted to the group has to be accepted by the moderator of the group. Since we need to ensure that followups to an article (discussion) do not show up in the rec.radio.info newsgroup, the `Followup-To:' header line contains a newsgroup that is appropriate for discussions about the specific article.

-- OK, so now I know what 'moderated' means. Tell me more.

Rec.radio.info is a moderated newsgroup, which means that all articles submitted to the group will have to be approved by the moderator first.

The current moderator of the group is the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team. Submissions to rec.radio.info can be posted, or e-mailed to:

rec-radio-info@panix.com

Comments, criticisms, suggestions or questions about the group can be e-mailed to:

rec-radio-info-request@panix.com

But before you do so, please be sure to check out the "Posting Guidelines" article.

The influence of the moderator should be minimal and of an administrative nature, consisting chiefly of weeding out obviously inappropriate articles, while making sure correct headers etc. are used for the appropriate ones.

-- What type of material is considered inappropriate?

There are three broad categories of articles which will be rejected by the moderator:

1) Requests for information: rec.radio.info is strictly a one-way street. We receive information in our mailbox; we then post it to rec.radio.info. Requests for specific information belong in the normal discussion newsgroups. If your request gets answered, you might consider passing the answer on to rec.radio.info, though. Especially if you can edit it into a informational, rather than a discussion, format.

2) Obvious discussion articles, or articles that appear unsubstantiated.

3) Commercial stuff: a relatively unbiased test of a radio product would be accepted, but any hint of for-profit might be reason for rejection. For three reasons: This is not the purpose of the list, for-profit is a controversial topic, and this list may be passed onto Amateur Packet Radio (where for-profit is prohibited except under certain provisos).

rec.radio.swap may be more deserving of the posting in any matter.

Similarly, copyrighted material generally cannot be used. If it's TRULY worthwhile to the net, We would recommend obtaining permission from the copyright holder. Please note the source, and if permission was given. We reserve the right to make the final decision concerning appropriateness in all situations. In most cases, a brief summary of, or pointer to, the copyrighted information may be all we can allow.

-- I do not have access to news, how can I get the information posted to rec.radio.info?

Google has an excellent web interface to Usenet newsgroups. It is available at:

http://groups.google.com

It supports both reading and posting.

Another excellent web interface to at least the radio-related Usenet newsgroups is the RadioBanter site:

http://www.radiobanter.com

sponsored by the NewsgroupBanter project:

http://www.newsgroupbanter.com

It, too, supports both reading and posting.

-- Will the material appearing in rec.radio.info be archived somewhere?

Yes. See Google Groups and RadioBanter above.

Effectively this means that anything you post to rec.radio.info will be permanently stored, so your work will not be lost.

-- I have a regular posting with timely information, is there a way to speed up it's delivery, or automate for more convenience?

Yes, there is! It may take a bit of chatter with the moderator, but we are willing to take responsible people and provide them the means of posting the articles directly from their site. We will try everything we can as we fully realize that DX (distant signal) and astronomical data can be somewhat transitory. We are also willing to allow regular posters of information the same courtesy, even if the information is not as time critical.

We refer to this as self-moderation, which is partly based on the model for rec.answers/news.answers. This requires co-operation and goodwill to be beneficial to the community in the rec.radio hierarchy.

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms about this article to rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

(Adapted, with permission, from the original article written by Mark Salyzyn, AG4YD, ex-VE6MGS.)

1208. rec.radio.info Posting Guidelines

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-22 07:05:02 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/rec-radio-info/guidelines-1-1324537501@panix.com>
Source record: 3798
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.info,rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.answers,news.answers

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/rec-radio-info/guidelines
Revision: 1.5 2007/03/22 16:30:49
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

*** rec.radio.info - Posting Guidelines and Etiquette ***

Two introductory articles about rec.radio.info are posted to this group
and to rec.answers/news.answers every month. You are now reading the
second article, which explains how to submit something to
rec.radio.info, and which answers some Frequently Asked Questions about
the submission process. The first article is titled "Welcome to
rec.radio.info", and it might be a good idea to check it out as well.

-- How do I submit something to rec.radio.info?

Two possibilities. You can use your newsreading software to just post
the article to rec.radio.info, as you would do with any other
newsgroup. The difference is that the software recognizes the special
status of rec.radio.info as a moderated group, and will e-mail your
article to us, the moderation team, instead of posting it to the group.

Alternatively, you can mail your article directly to us at the following
address:

rec-radio-info@panix.com

Mailing us directly is probably (a wee bit) faster, but using the
transparency offered by the newsreading software is probably more
convenient.

If you have any questions, or wish to deal with some administrivia with
the moderation team, we suggest mailing to the following address:

rec-radio-info-request@panix.com

-- How soon will I see my article appear?

It depends on how busy we are. Your article reaches us as mail, we have
to read it first, give it the stamp of approval, and finally send it on
to the group. We will attempt to read and decide on all submissions
within 72 hours at the very least, though we will probably be able to
process submissions much faster in actual practice.
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The site from which we moderate this newsgroup, "Public Access Internet and Unix, NYC" (Panix), is directly connected to the Internet, and articles posted at that site should appear at most major news sites, including Google Groups, the same day. The principal delay, therefore, will be the wait in the moderator's submission queue.

If you post a periodic article, and have shown to be trustworthy, we may allow you to post directly if the article is of a timely nature. See the section below on direct posting.

-- Should my article be in a specific format?

No. If it is not totally illegible, we will accept it, and if it does not have a correct subject-line we will correct it with your permission -- that's what a moderator is for.

However.

You could do us a big favor by making sure your article conforms to these simple requirements:

1) The article must present information, not discussion or requests, We will reject the article or require you to change the wording if it is worth it.
2) A good, descriptive Subject line.
3) Always mention what source you got the information from.
4) Don't forget to include a Followup-To header, at least if you don't want further discussion to automatically be forwarded to you, the poster, which is the default if the article is only posted to rec.radio.info.

As we said: if your article is appropriate we will post it even if you don't follow these guidelines, but then don't blame us for not processing it immediately. 'Perfect' articles we can send on with a couple of keystrokes. Stuff that needs minor editing is going to have to wait until we have time to do so.

Please do not waste both our and your time by posting requests, as this is an information only news group.

-- What about crossposting?

If you send something to rec.radio.info, just name any group you'd like to cross-post to in the Newsgroups field. Then, when we approve the article for rec.radio.info it will get automatically cross-posted to any other groups mentioned. This will also override the default Followup-To: poster, replacing it with the groups you cross posted to.

We would prefer if the group be cross-posted to the various discussion groups in the rec.radio.* hierarchy that are appropriate:

rec.radio.amateur.misc Amateur (ham) radio and related matters
rec.radio.amateur.packet Amateur Packet Radio discussions
rec.radio.amateur.policy Amateur Radio practices, rules, etc.
rec.radio.noncomm Non commercial radio discussions

rec.radio.shortwave International broadcasting on the 'HF' bands
rec.radio.cb Citizens Band (27 MHz) discussion
rec.radio.scanner Scanner discussions (unsupported group)

or in one of the moderated groups:

rec.radio.amateur.moderated Amateur radio practices, rules, etc.
rec.radio.broadcasting Discussion of *domestic* radio broadcasting

We will leave it up to the poster to decide which group(s) are appropriate, but reserve the right to add groups if we feel it has broader interest. We will consult with the poster first.

Notes on crossposting:

- rec.radio.broadcasting is also a moderated group. The rec.radio.broadcasting moderator prefers to review all articles himself before posting. Placing rec.radio.broadcasting before rec.radio.info on the Newsgroups line should accomplish this. We will typically abide by the rec.radio.broadcasting moderator's decision whether the article is appropriate for rec.radio.info.

- rec.radio.amateur.moderated is also a moderated group. As the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team manages both rec.radio.amateur.moderated and rec.radio.info, we can manage crossposting and approvals for both newsgroups. The rec.radio.amateur.moderated group does not allow crossposting to other discussion newsgroups, whether moderated or unmoderated. However, we would like to manage rec.radio.info as consistently as possible with how it was done by previous moderators, including the grandfathering of existing regular postings. Therefore, the submitter can choose rec.radio.amateur.moderated or the other unmoderated rec.radio.amateur.* discussion newsgroups for crossposting, but not both.

- Any FAQ or informational posting approved by the rec.answers/news.answers moderation team that is also crossposted to any rec.radio.* newsgroup (besides just rec.radio.info) is also automatically pre-approved for rec.radio.info. See below for more information.

If you post to another moderated group, it may be better to make special arrangements with both moderators before posting by contacting us at our administrivia addresses.

In addition, cross-posts do not take up extra space; modern newsreaders can be configured to show you cross-posted articles only once anyway; not everybody reads rec.radio.info; and rec.radio.info was never meant to reduce the volume of the regular discussion newsgroups. But keep in mind that some of the mail gateways may filter out the informational postings (at request of the subscribers) to keep the load down.

You decide.

-- I have a regular posting with timely information, can I make arrangements to help speed up delivery by posting directly from my site?

Yes, there is! It may take a bit of chatter with the moderator, but we are willing to take responsible people and provide them the means of posting the articles directly from their site. We will try everything we can as we fully realize that DX (distant signal) and astronomical data can be somewhat transitory. We are also willing to allow regular posters of information the same courtesy, even if the information is not as timely.

We refer to this as self-moderation, which is partly based on the model for rec.answers/news.answers. This requires cooperation and good will to be beneficial to the community in the rec.radio.* hierarchy.

If you are currently maintaining (or plan to maintain) a radio-related periodic information posting, you may wish to consider crossposting it to rec.answers/news.answers. Postings that are approved by the rec.answers/news.answers moderators for this treatment are automatically pre-approved for crossposting to rec.radio.info (as the news.answers requirements are far more rigorous than the requirements this newsgroup ever plans to use). For more information about this option, consult the appropriate information articles and posting guidelines in rec.answers/news.answers.

Realize also, that even if your post is not approved for rec.answers/news.answers, it can still be approved for rec.radio.info. The intention is not so much to get every last bit of radio-related information on rec.answers/news.answers, but rather to provide an alternative avenue of approval (as well as grandfather existing maintainers of radio-related information and spare them additional bureaucratic hurdles). Again, crossposting to either rec.radio.info or rec.answers/news.answers, both, or neither, is at the discretion of the poster (subject to the approval of the moderators). You decide what is most appropriate for your article.

Please remember that as an information maintainer, you are not alone. There are many others on the net who maintain and post periodic information postings, using various intermediate-to-advanced features of Usenet (usually via automated tools). Various degrees of technical support and general hand-holding are available from many Usenet veterans. Send us some E-mail describing your needs to our administrative address below, and we'll try to help, or at least refer you to the right knowledgeable individual(s).

-- And Follow-ups?

If the only newsgroup you have specified is rec.radio.info, then the Followup-To: field will always be set to poster. If you do not want this, you must supply a Followup-To line of your own, and we will honor that one, as long as it is a subset of the original Newsgroups line.

If you specify newsgroups to cross-post to, then the Followup-To field will be set to include all the cross-posted groups, excepting rec.radio.info itself. Again, if you do not wish this behavior, supply your own Followup-To line.

We maintain other standards on the various RFC-1036 (news transport) header lines. For example, if the article is appropriate for passing into the Packet Radio Information Network, we encapsulate the Packet Bulletin Identifier (BID) in the Message-ID: news header line indicating the machine of origin as the ampr.org domain:

Message-ID: <$opa.55.1994@ampr.org> |

where the Packet Radio BID, in this example, is `$OPA.55', and it was posted in the year 1994, because some of the Bid numbers are cycled yearly. Hopefully, this can be used as a key to re-introduce the articles for the Packet Radio network. Also, if the article is a repost of an already existing information article in the rec.radio heirarchy, we ensure that the References: header line is linked to that previously posted article. This also helps to tag articles, and may be used for additional filtering if needed.

Since the articles are archived, please use the Summary and Keywords header lines to help one search for your article.

-- Why have I received no reply from you?

We never reject anything in silence, and we make a point of it to answer all our mail. However, E-mail, like a brain cell, can and does get lost, every now and again.

So, if you send us something, and you don't see it appear it rec.radio.info, and you still have not heard from us in reply after say, five days, you can be pretty sure that either your mail never reached us, or that our answer has never reached you. In that case, please try again (We will filter out duplicates).

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms about this article to rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

(Adapted, with permission, from the original article written by Mark Salyzyn, AG4YD, ex-VE6MGS.)

1209. Re: BMI Nitelogger tape recorder controller operating voltage (?)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-22 22:33:47 UTC
From: Steve Kostecke <steve@kostecke.net>
Message-ID: <slrnjf7c2b.6pa.steve@stasis.kostecke.net>
Source record: 3799
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On 2011-12-21, KI4RWP <ki4rwp@gmail.NoSpam.com> wrote:

> I have an old (1990's) BMI Nitelogger (II?) and need to know the voltage
> used by this device. I have a Condor 9 volt 9 watt supply that I think may
> have been originally included with it, but am unsure and don't want to burn
> it up testing.
>
> Have several different possible "wall warts", thus my problem.

The July 2003 Monitoring Times mentions that the Nitelogger II is (was)
available from:

In Compliance Corp
3260 N Hayden Road #106
Scottsdale, AZ 85251
incompliancecorp@aol.com
800-239-0441

There was an article about the Nitelogger II in the Aug 1996 Monitoring
Times (see http://monitoringtime.com/html/mt96index.html for reprint
info)

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Steve Kostecke steve@kostecke.net / K0STK

1210. NZART Headquarters Infoline special issue 32s

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23 December 2011

KORDIA NATIONAL SYSTEM AWARD - 2012

Branch 12 have found it necessary to make some small changes to the "Award Rules" and "How to Access the New Zealand Historic Places Register" pages. This has been brought about by a change to the NZHPT website.

To those who are planning to take part and have already downloaded the above 2 pages, please go to http://zl1ux.tripod.com/nsaward.html and download the amended pages.

Page 1 of the Award Rules has an additional item under - "Participants are requested to note the following key points:" regarding the "Advance Search" on the NZHPT website. On the "How to Access the New Zealand Historic Places Register" pages, page 1, under "Using the Register" and page 4 (Fig 4a) have some changes.

Using the previous details for searching the NZHPT website, would not have produced a list of Category 2 historic places for a particular location, a list of Category 1 & 2 historic places.

Regards
Gavin Petrie (ZL1GWP)
and
Phil King (ZL1PK)
Award Custodians

1211. WIANEWS for WEEK COMMENCING DECEMBER 25 2011

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Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2011-12-25.mp3
Text edition:

WIANEWS - DEC 25 - VK NATIONAL NEWS

THE BEST NEWS YOU'LL GET ALL WEEK

Oh... and to contact us with your news because
If It Matters To You It Matters To Us!

Email nationalnews@wia.org.au

http://www.wia.org.au (click news in member area) Submit your audio news

TWITTER http://twitter.com/VK1WIA

Please... If you are only submitting text and not audio, write your story as
you would expect to hear it being read back and NEVER send just links &
url's.

WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING DECEMBER 25 2011.

An email or ten in this past week directing us to a url about Ham Radio and
Mr Home Improvements himself, Tim Allan. Ben Robertson N7RBI was the first,
and we will hear more of this later when we hook up with Amateur Radio NewsLine.

THIS STORY AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING DECEMBER 25 2011.

WIA
President Michael Owen VK3KI president@wia.org.au
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Treasurer John Longayroux VK3PZ vk3pz@wia.org.au

WIA PRESIDENT VK3KI SPEAKS:-

At long last, and after ongoing representations by the WIA we seem to be getting
closer to Advanced licensees being allowed transmit power limits comparable to
other countries.

The ACMA has advised the WIA that it intends to accede to the WIA's request that
Advanced licensees may apply for a variation of their licence to permit higher
power from a fixed location on a trial basis from 1 March 2012. The ACMA has

stressed to the WIA that it remains concerned about the risk of interference from the use of higher power.

At the end of 12 months the position will be reviewed by the ACMA.

The ACMA has adopted this approach to enable any particular difficulties to be identified and satisfactory solutions found to, in the words of the ACMA, "enable the trial to progress to appropriate ongoing arrangements from early 2013".

The ACMA will publish the changes to the licence process and forms setting out the further information needed for an application for higher power before 1 March 2012.

While the details are still subject to discussion, the following principles will be applied:

Transmitter power outputs up to 1,000 watts PEP may be permitted, though the emission modes to which this limit will apply are still subject to consideration. It should be noted that lower power limits may be specified in some cases.

The higher power limits will only be permitted on the amateur HF bands where the amateur service is the primary service. The WIA has requested that the band 7100 to 7200 kHz be also included, and this is being considered,

Higher power will not be permitted in certain areas that will be identified by the ACMA on its website.

Licensees will continue to be obliged to comply with the EME requirements.

For the period of the trial, licensees permitted to use higher power will be encouraged to keep a full log of all transmissions on bands where the higher power is permitted, noting in each case the power in fact used.

The WIA's most recent request is fully set out in the November 2010 issue of the WIA's magazine Amateur Radio.

This is a preliminary announcement and further details will be published as they become available before March and after the Christmas break.

The WIA anticipates working closely with the ACMA on this issue.

This is Mal VK3FDSL

Just a reminder that the National Office of the WIA closed for the Christmas break at 4pm Melbourne time on Friday 23rd December. We will re-open at 10am Melbourne time on Monday 16th January 2012.

No examinations or callsign recommendation applications will be processed nor book orders dispatched before the office reopens in January.

We hope all radio amateurs are enjoying their festive season.

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm

VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news
Email Address : r_demkiw@yahoo.com.au

Seasons Greetings from the news team at VK2WI.

Just a note to listeners that they are here each Sunday morning across the holiday period at 10 am - VK2 time. There will be no evening bulletins until the 15th January.

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/
Police Roundup http://www.vicpolicenews.com.au/

Mt Hotham repeater in service

The Albury Wodonga Amateur Radio Club, after some years and a lot of hard work, has got the VK3RHO 2-metre repeater back on air.

The enthusiasm behind the project came at a cost including some refurbishment, sourcing power and site fees.

The Albury Wodonga Amateur Radio Club is to be congratulated in its efforts which now fills a missing gap in the repeater network in the north-east of Victoria.

It covers a wide area of the High Plains and will be useful during the annual roof-run which is a WICEN event.

If you live in the area give it a try with 147.650 MHz in and 147.050 MHz out.

(Amateur Radio Victoria)

VK4 - QNEWS
Send your stories for news. SCRIPT to qnews@wia.org.au
send audio to http://www.wia.org.au/members/broadcast/upload/

get local audio news www.wiaq.com/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
get local news emailed qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

Welcome to QNews from VK4WIA. I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP, and I've been thinking.

What did you find under the Christmas tree? Chances are that some time you will receive a piece of electronics for a gift. Do you realise that the new generation of components contain some very expensive mineral based materials. Most of us are aware of tantalum capacitors and rare earth magnets.

A few years ago, it was worth salvaging old electronics to recover materials such as gold. These days, it appears that what doesn't find its way to land fill gets shipped to impoverished people overseas who "recycle" without the protection of western safety regimes.

Just recently, China placed trade restrictions on the export of rare earth metals to Japan which is claimed to be the world's largest consumer. This sent shock waves around the electronics and manufacturing industries similar to the loss of

epoxy to pot semi -conductors following the Kobe earthquake, 15 years ago. Australian mining industries are gearing up to produce rare earth metals from local resources.

Perhaps the current enthusiasm for restoring "boat anchor" electronics from the valve era is very good training for working with the very rare "unobtainium" bits of the latest pocket sized toys.

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think...how about you?

Dalby area date claimer

FEB 4 VK4 Bunya Mts & District AmCom Inc. Ham & Wine Fest 2012.

VK5

1941, The first of four ships being built for the Australian Navy slides down the slipway of BHP's newly constructed Whyalla Shipyard.

HMAS Whyalla was commissioned for duty on January 8, 1942. She carried out escort duty on Australia's east coast and later took part in operations in the New Guinea theatre before being attached to the British Pacific fleet as a unit of the 21st minesweeping flotilla.

HMAS WHYALLA was decommissioned in 1947 and sold to the Victorian government for whom she would be employed as a lighthouse maintenance vessel until 1984.

Hearing that the ship was to be sold as scrap, she was purchased by the Whyalla City Council and brought back to Whyalla. In 1987 she was moved back up the same slipway from which she was launched 46 years earlier and relocated to become the centrepiece of the city's maritime museum.

On the weekend of January 7 and 8, 2012 the South Australian branch of the Naval Association of Australia will commemorate the 70th anniversary of the ship's commissioning and the Whyalla Amateur Radio Club will take part in the special celebration by operating from the ship using the special event callsign VI5WHY.

The station will be on air from around 2300 UTC on Saturday January 7 and is especially keen to make contact with present or former naval members. Operating frequencies and modes will be posted on the VKHAM website closer to the event.

Special QSL certificates will be sent to all stations who make contact.

So mark the date January 7 on your calendar.

This has been Alex VK5ALX on behalf of the Whyalla Amateur Radio Club.

WIA DIRECTORS Broadcast 20111225 EWAN VK4ERM

Seasons Greetings to All Listeners from the President and Board of the WIA.

Once again the past year has been an eventful one for Amateur Radio in VK culminating in the release by the WIA on last Thursday, the 22nd of December, of the proposed high power trial by the ACMA during part of 2012.

The supportive staff at our National Office at Andersen House in Bayswater, Victoria, have continued to provide friendly and efficient service to our members and the Board. It would be remiss of me not to mention our appreciation for the skilled volunteer work conducted on behalf of the WIA by very competent and experienced amateurs; we owe these dedicated people a debt of gratitude for their support.

This is a time of travel for many individuals and families to reunite with other family members by air, land or sea. Many amateurs will be among them so if you hear a mobile station calling please answer and keep them company for a while on their journey, especially if it is late at night, to help them safely on their way. There will also be others you may hear who cannot be reunited with their kin for various reasons so why not bring some cheer to their day by answering?

Those of us fortunate to be sharing our time with family and friends in the comfort of our surrounds should spare a moment to reflect on those serving our nation overseas in the Defence Force, Australian Federal Police, Customs, philanthropic organisations and many others and silently wish them a speedy and safe return.

Sadly, some families will have an empty chair at the Christmas table and the mood will be sombre as the occupier will never return.

The New Year is just around the corner and a time when many will make New Year's Resolutions. Besides resurrecting those from this year, which were not achieved, give thought to something you can resolve to achieve in 2012 for the betterment of Amateur Radio in VK.

This has been Ewan VK4ERM for the WIA Board wishing you all a Merry Christmas, a Happy and Prosperous New Year, and safe travelling.

EDUCATION YOUTH AND ADVANCEMENT OF AMATEUR RADIO
www.hamcollege.com.au

VK7 and NTARC congratulate Brendan Smith on passing his Foundation Licence assessment. We understand that Brendan has requested VK7FESQ as his call, so we look forward to hearing him on air soon.

Please make Brendan welcome by coming back when you hear him on air and introduce yourself.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART and the WW sources of the WIA.

EU threat to Amateur Radio kits

Thilo DL9KCE, reports a threat to amateur radio kits and modified equipment arising from changes to the EMC directive.

Currently amateur radio kits and modified equipment are specifically excluded from the directive but under the proposed changes they would be fully subjected to the EMC directive. The resulting high compliance costs could make it uneconomic to develop and sell kits so killing off the kit market.

If radio amateurs wished to modify equipment it appears they would also incur additional costs and bureaucratic hassle.

IARU Region 1 will respond to it with a letter soon.

Directive 1999/5/EC see ANNEX I
http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:1999:091:0010:0010:EN:PDF

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

NATIONAL RADIO AFGHANISTAN ON 40 METERS

Uli Bihlmayer, DJ9KR, reports that National Radio Afghanistan is operating on 7 point 2 MHz in the amateur Radio 40 meter band. DJ9KR says via the IARU-Region 1 website that he monitored the station on November 28th as being centered on 7200 kHz and covering 7195 through 7205 kHz with its audio sidebands.

DJ9KR says that the best way to handle this situation is to inform your nation's telecommunications agency if you are suffering interference from National Radio of Afghanistan and ask them to file an international complaint. Another recommended procedure is to file a report with the Intruder Watch coordinator in your nation.

THE WORLD OF AMATEUR RADIO CELEBRATES THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF OSCAR 1

The world of Amateur Radio is celebrating the 50th anniversary of the orbiting of the first ever ham radio satellite known simply as OSCAR, an acronym for the words Orbiting Satellite Carrying Amateur Radio. Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, is in the newsroom with more:

For those not around back then, OSCAR, now called by many as Oscar One was carried into space at 2041 GMT, December 12th 1961. It was carried aloft by the Discoverer 36 launching vehicle from Vandenberg Air Force Base in California.

After launch the satellite went into a North-South orbit transmitting Morse on a frequency between 144.990 and 145.008. It's said to have had a tremendous signal strength on any direct, overhead pass.

Among the first to hear OSCAR One were the hams at KC4USB which was the Marie Byrd Base at the South Pole. They picked up the signal loud and clear only a few minutes after launch and this is what they heard:

OSCAR-1 Audio clip

Yes, just above the noise a radio amateur or SWL with a fairly decent receiver with a good 2 meter converter could make out the letters H and I that formed the word "hi." And soon the signal was heard by hams in Kodiak, Alaska and by KH6UK in Hawaii. All of these on OSCAR's first pass. The ARRL headquarters' station W1AW heard the first pass on the United States East coast.

Now, in celebration of the 50th anniversary of the orbiting of the OSCAR One ham satellite, AMSAT North America is re-issuing the original Project OSCAR Newsletters. According to AMSAT, the original OSCAR Newsletters were all hand typed back in 1961. Don Ferguson, KD6IRE has scanned these documents announcing OSCAR 1. They are being re-issued via the Amsat News Service bulletins on-line.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the Newsroom in Los Angeles.

Thanks to the efforts of AMSAT and especially KD6IRE 21st century hams world wide can read the story of the bird that opened the door to space communications to amateur radio operators around the globe.

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WEIRD AND WONDERFUL

Milan Illinois National Guard building holds secret message

Recently, a passerby noticed something very peculiar about the addition being added on to the Illinois National Guard building in Milan.

The design in the building containing a secret message.

Dave Mayfield knows a thing or two about radios after collecting and operating them for 25 years. So, when he drove by the Illinois National Guard building a few days ago the design caught his eye.

"Took me just a second at first. I thought maybe it was a random pattern but it's not random at all. It's Morse code," said Mayfield.

But what the bricks say remains a mystery for most. It's estimated only one in thousands would know one wall says, "loyalty" and "duty", while another wall says, "respect" and "honor".

The Illinois National Guard put all seven of the Army values on new buildings built for the 2nd and 123rd Forward Support companies.

Read the full WQAD story at:
http://www.wqad.com/news/wqad-illinois-national-guard-milan-morse-code-secret-message-12162011,0,2308380.story

(southgate)

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2012

January 1-31 VK Ross Hull Memorial VHF UHF Contest

January 14-15 VK Summer VHF-UGF Field Day

March 17-18 VK JOHN MOYLE MEMORIAL FIELD DAY

May 5 VK/trans Tasman Contest 80metres SSB

June 9-10 VK Shires Contest.

June 25 VK/trans Tasman Contest 160metres SSB

July First full weekend NZART Memorial Contest

August 11-12 VK Remembrance Day Contest

August 18-19 WW International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend.

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

F4FOO is operating from Togo in West Africa until 4 January.
He will be on 20 - 10m using SSB.
The callsign to look for is 5V7MA and QSLs go via his F4FOO home call.

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SM6CPY is active as 9X0PY from Rwanda between 24th December and 7th January 2012.
His operation will be holiday style on all bands with a focus on 20 through
10 metres.
QSL to his home callsign, SM6CPY

Manfred, DF6EX, has written a program that helps in providing info on which
QSL-Manager/DX-station you can expect a reply via the Bureau or which DX-stations
you better not work or have to spend a lot of money to get their card.

The program has a growing database and it lets you know what stations do not QSL
back or just take your green stamps.

Currently, there are 11500 managers/DX-stations listed, from information
collected over the past 20 years. The best news is that it is free.

Read more about the program at:
http://www.winqsl.com

Or load directly at:
http://www.winqsl.com/winqsl/?page_id=74

No fee at all.

Also, there will be further updates; you just have to register by mail.

(southgate)

INTRUDER WATCH - ENFORCEMENT ZONE

Region III IARUMS Coordinator Peter Young VK3MV

Greek pop music blasts from Turkish Cypriot mosques

The religious affairs directorate in the Turkish controlled sector of Cyprus has
claimed that deliberate interference caused popular Greek-Cypriot radio
programmes to broadcast from mosque rooftops instead of the Islamic call to
prayer.

Due to interference in radio frequencies which link the mosques' PA systems,
Greek pop hits could be heard yesterday blasting through the air.

Read more from the Famagusta Gazette

(southgate)

MEDIA WATCH
www.cq-amateur-radio.com/WorldRadio.html
VK Club Bulletins http://groups.yahoo.com/group/aarnie/

Seasons Greetings from the VK7 Regional News team.

Where has 2011 gone! It seems that only a short time ago we were reporting the VK9NA DXpeditions and it was the Annual General Meeting season for clubs around VK7 and guess what we are back in the season.

Time flies when you are having so much fun with this great hobby of ours!

We all hope you have a safe and relaxing Christmas and New Year and see you in 2012.

this is Justin, VK7TW on behalf of the VK7 Regional News Team and VK1WIA.

PUBLIC RELATIONS: HAM RADIO TO BE FEATURED PLAYER ON LAST MAN STANDING

Ham radio is coming to network television. This as a part of the plot of the ABC situation comedy "Last Man Standing."

On the show, actor and comedian Tim Allen of Home Improvement fame plays the character of Mike Baxter. Baxter is the married father of three and the director of marketing at an outdoor sporting goods store in Colorado.

Amateur radio will come into play on the show in mid-January when its revealed that Mike Baxter is an avid radio amateur with the callsign KA0XTT. But that's not the only ham radio connection to the show.

Last Man Standing is being produced for ABC Television by John Amodeo, NN6JA. And if you pick up the December edition of CQ Magazine and turn to page 30, you will find an article by Amodeo. One that tells the story of how he challenged his staff to become licensed radio amateurs, and out of those who accepted seven have gotten licensed so far. The reward for those who succeeded was a dual band hand-held radio.

As of this report Tim Allen is not among those who have accepted John Amodeo's challenge, but he tells CQ that he is working on him.

In addition to the CQ article the ARRL has a very nice piece about
Last Man Standing and how it got involved in helping Amodeo to create
the KA0XTT call sign. You can read that on the news pages at www.arrl.org

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- DIGITAL

Global Data Traffic

An interesting statistic is that by 2014, global data traffic will increase by 39 times from current levels, reaching 3.6 exabytes, around 3.9 billion gigabytes per month, according to wireless firm Cisco.

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WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

AMSAT-VK UNOFFICIAL HF Net.
2nd Sunday each month.
April through October 1000 UTC 3.685 MHz
November through March 0900 UTC 7.068 MHz

ESA VEGA ROCKET TO CARRY NEW MICROSATS TO ORBIT IN JANUARY 2012

The inaugural launch of the European Space Agency's new Vega rocket will carry the ALMASat-1 amateur radio micro satellite and at least 6 additional CubeSats. Slated for January of 2012, the launch will take place from ESA spaceport at Kourou, French Guiana. Once lofted into space, all of the satellites will be placed into an elliptical orbit of 1450 by 300 km at an inclination of 69.5 degrees.

They are expected to have a lifetime before re-entry of up to 4 years. For details of each of the birds please follow the on-line links found at tinyurl.com/vega-first-launch.

(southgate)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- IOTA
http://rsgbiota.org

Members of the Russian Robinson Club will attempt to activate another all-time IOTA new one in Alaska, the Bethel County group, NA-240, between 5th and 8th January 2012. They will concentrate on 20, 30 and 40m.

(rsgb)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RADIO SCOUTING
http://www.scouts.com.au
http://www.scout.org/jota
http://www.international.scouts.com.au

Turkish Scouting and Guiding special event station

Members of the Turkish Scouting and Guiding Federation's National Conciousness Camp, has activated special event station TC9SAM between December 23-26th.

Activity is in memory for the "Allahuekber Martyrs", and operations will be commemorating the fallen in Sarikamis Campaign of World War I.

The special event station TC9SAM will be located in Gaziler and Kaynak villlages of Erzurum. In accordance with the camp program, they will be on the air mainly on 40 and 80m bands but will also try the other bands. You can also try to follow the team on APRS.

Detailed info is available on www.tif.org.tr

The QSL Manager is TA1HZ.

(And as an aside December 20 was the 96th anniversary of the ANZAC's departure from Gallipoli)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RESCUE RADIO
IARU REGION 3

Emergency Centre of Activity (CoA) frequencies
3.600, 7.110, 14.300, 18.160 and 21.360 MHz

Hams do their bit after disaster

The flooding that swept through the Philippines has claimed 800 lives after the enormous devastation left by Tropical Storm Washi.

Local hams in the disaster area are now doing their best to help out with relief efforts. The search for survivors continues along with the many burials that are needed.

The Red Cross reports the storm swept away entire coastal villages as it dumped heavy rain triggering mud slides. Some 47,000 people are in evacuation centres. President Benigno Aquino is set to visit the disaster zone.

The storm flooded a river that sent muddy floodwaters from nearby mountains that coated streets.

It has been a bad season for the country with back-to-back typhoons in September leaving many people dead in the northern Philippines.

(Jim Linton VK3PC, Chairman, IARU Region 3, Disaster Communication Committee.)

SOCIAL SCENE 2012

15TH IARU REGION 3 CONFERENCE hosted by V.A.R.C. in Ho-Chi-Minh City, Vietnam.

JAN 23-FEB 17 YEAR 2012
World Radio Conference Geneva 23rd January TO 17th February 2012

FEB 4 VK4 Bunya Mts & District AmCom Inc. Ham & Wine Fest 2012.

FEB 12 VK3 CentreVictoria Hamfest, Kyneton Racecourse

FEB 26 VK2 CCARC WYONG FIELD DAY

APR 14-15 VK WIA National Field Day.

MAY 3-18 VK5 YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

MAY 5- 6 VK4 RADAR and MARC Clairview Gathering

MAY 25-27 VK3 WIA Annual Conference Mildura

JUN 8-11 VK4 FNNQARG! QLD Cassowary Coast

JULY 14 VK4 Wide Bay Hamfest. West Maryborough Scout Hall

NOV 12 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST (ROSEBUD BY THE BAY)

WIA PRESIDENT - THE FINAL FINAL AT CHRISTMAS TIME

The fact that this broadcast is scheduled for Christmas day gives me the opportunity to offer some special comments.

Let me look back for a moment on the year just passed.

I had thought that after the Centenary year last year, this year would be quiet and uneventful.

It hasn't turned out that way, with major issues such as station inspections, WRC 12 and all the work associated with that, and now the move toward higher power.

So many people doing so much in so many ways for amateur radio and the future of amateur radio, our Publications Committee, our contest and award managers, our Assessors and all the trainers, all those who contribute to the clubs, we really do owe much to many people.

To all of you who have contributed to the WIA and to amateur radio, I say thank you.

To all of you who have taken the trouble to tell us personally at hamfests or who have written to us appreciating the work of the WIA, I say a most sincere thank you.

To all of you, radio amateurs and interested in amateur radio, I extend on behalf of the board of the WIA, our manager Mal Brooks and on behalf of Dianne and Margaret, our very best wishes for the Festive Season and for a healthy, happy and prosperous New Year.

Submitting news items

If you would like to submit news items for inclusion in the
VK1WIA broadcasts, please email your item in text to nationalnews@wia.org.au

to submit audio read "how to submit items" in the weekly news page on
wia.org.au

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being broadcast in the very next edition of WIA National News.

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Call-backs follow the RF editions, but also for text readers you may lodge a quick reply to let us know you read it, who knows, you might even get a "cheerio call".

Thanks to our dedicated band of broadcast volunteers who utilize
their time and equipment in bringing you this weekly broadcast.

The purpose of "WIANews" is to rapidly provide news of interest to
active amateurs residing in Australia and the globe.

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1212. ** MMMonVHF Newsletter / No.1 - WEEK 51/2011 **

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Source record: 3802
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our lastet NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2011-12-23
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter, once a week (thursday)
from now on - if any special activities will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further detail please be so kind and watch our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you vy welcome for any
input and we do hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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The Team of the VHF-DX-Portal Make More Miles on VHF would like
to send you, your families and friends our best Christmas wishes
and do have a good start into the new Year 2012 - 73s MMMonVHF

** MMMonVHF Trophy: "Best VHF DX Expedition" of the Year 2011 *

The MMMonVHF VHF-DX-Portal is happy to invite all VHF enthusiasts
and VHF-DX'ers to join the new survey to identify the "The Best
VHF DX Expedition of the Year 2011". The aim of the survey is to
thank the very hard efforts of those who organized and carried out
so many nice expeditions and trips all around the world on the VHF
bands in the past year 2011. Participation period: 01. January to
31 December - Voting period: 01. January 2012 - 21. January 2012 :
Persons or Groups who organized and carried out some kind of exped.
in the 144 MHz band segment via Meteor Scatter or Earth-Moon-Earth
propagation. Expeditions / Activities have had to be spread out on
the VHF-DX-Portal Make More Miles on VHF in the year 2011 and must
have found their way into the "REVIEW" section of MMMonVHF.
You will be able to vote by selecting a maximum of 5 expeditions
alltogether in TWO categories (MS and EME) by ticking the box in
front of the expeditions. The voting page will be available by
direct link at http://www.mmmonvhf.de/voting.php from up 1 st of
January 2012 until 21 st of January 2012. Results in February 2012.
SOURCE: Jani, HA5CRX, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

** HS0AC - Rig's submerged during century flood in HS **

The Radio Amateur Society of Thailand Under the Patronage of His Majesty the King - HS1A - The clubstation of RAST ï¿½ HS0AC ï¿½ was submerged by 2m of waters during the previous century flood ï¿½ which was in the media worldwide - I believe ï¿½ some pictures of the club station after the water tide was gone ï¿½ www.qsl.net/RAST or RAST forum.com RAST and HS0AC lost equipment worth around 200,000 USD (150.000 Euro) incl. our mainstation rig FT-1000 MK Mark V ï¿½ which is believed will not be able to be repaired. RAST settle up an account for donations to help the clubstation getting back on air soon. Donations could be done directly to the club or via paypal to donate"at"rast.co.th There is also a EME activation ï¿½E2Eï¿½ planned during April to help to raise some funds for HS0AC - have a look: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=4080 (Info from DL2LAH) ï¿½ further details soon ï¿½ GD DX ï¿½ hopefully from HS0AC soon... SOURCE: 73 de HS0ZFZ - Swen ï¿½ HS0AC qsl manager direct to MMMonVHF

** NEW WEB SITE FOR SATELLITE OP'S **

A new French Web site for satellite operators has recently made its debut on the Web. The site features logbooks for all of the popular satellites including the DX bird, AO-7. It is a welcome replacement for the <planetemily.com/ao7> which went offline a few weeks ago. The main feature of the new Web site is the logbooks where you can enter QSO data that will be archived for later reference. There is a field for comments as well. Visit the Web site at: http://aar29.free.fr/sat/index.html
ADDED NOTE: Another great resource for satellite operators can be found at: http://www.papays.com/sat It features grid maps submitted by active satellite operators as well as thousands of recordings from satellite passes over the last two years. If you would like your grid map added to the site, please contact John, K8YSE, at: k8yse"at"amsat.org - SOURCE: [DX-ENG] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1041

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: F ; Square: IN98 ; Start: 2011-12-28 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=4081

France, IN98, qrv on 2m and 6m - Robin F/M5AEF will be QRV on 144 and 50 MHz from Normandy, Department 50 (Manche) from IN98op. I expect to be QRV daily from 28 - 31st December and 1st January 2012 Please look for me around 50.205 MHz on CW/SSB 50.230 MHz on JT6M. I have 5 element yagi and 1/2 wave vertical. I have an additional fixed 3 element yagi beaming towards the UK and will be running WSPR on 50.293 MHz . On 144 MHz I have a 9 element F9FT Yagi and around 20 Watts. Please note that I do not have DX cluster / internet access from this station. QSL is via M5AEF Buro and LOTW

73 Robin - SOURCE: CQ Six - 50 MHz DX News #20111218

** DXCC: J5 ; Square: .... ; Start: 2012-03-23 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3987

The VERONA DX TEAM is happy to announce our upcoming 144 EME
activity from J5 Guinea Bissau (IK21DT). LATEST NEWS by Lucio,
I3LDP, dated 2011-12-20: please change in the MMMonVHF the LOC in
our EXP on J52EME, the correct is: IK21DT The site is ON LINE :
http://www.ari.verona.it/veronadxteam/en/ Changed also the date:
>From 12012-03-23 till 2012-04-07, 2 day more!!!!! Logfile online
on the site: http://www.ari.verona.it/veronadxteam/en/
Band: HF - 50 - 144 - 430 if we find an amplifier. Sponsors and
helps, are welcome for the umanitary and radioamateur expedition
SOURCE: tnx to I3LDP, Lucio, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: HS ; Square: .... ; Start: 2012-04-18 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=4080

E2E EME-DXpedition in Thailand around April 2012
I am happy to announce that there will be an EME-DXpedition in
Thailand around 18th of April. A group of Expats (HS0ZFZ, HS0ZFD,
HS0ZGQ and me HS0ZIL) are planning to activate some rare squares
in northeastern Thailand daywise! The special callsign will be
"E2E". The DXpedition will take place in order to assist the "Radio
Amateur Society of Thailand (RAST)", who had lost all their
equipment at the Club Station HS0AC in BANGKOK during last flood.
So any donations for this activity are welcome and will be
transferred to RAST Treasurer. An own website and/or an DX-Blog on
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/ will be setup in the near future. Stay
tuned on these sites for further informations!!! Pictures of the
destroyed Club Station can be seen here: http://www.qsl.net/rast/
SOURCE: tnx to Karsten, DL2LAH/HS0ZIL direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
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and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** K2LZQ Graig will be operating 6m again from Chile (FE44bh) **

We will be operating again from Chile FE44bh from January 9 thru 15.
When not fishing we will operate each evening and try 50.195 if
clear 1st. The camp was ransacked during their winter and we hope
all of our gear is still in one piece. I will give you a call on my
Satellite phone when we arrive to verify if all is well. Anyone
wishing a schedule can e-mail me at craiggoldman"at"comcast.net.
SOURCE: Craig K2LZQ via Lance W7GJ via Magic Band EME reflector

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** THE K5N GRID ACTIVATION GROUP PLANS FOR 2012 **

LATEST NEWS by Marshall, K5QE, dated 2011-12-20: Hello everyone interested in the K5N Winter DXpedition to DL99-DM90. Enclosed (email at reflector) is a picture of the TV van with the two 6M5X antennas on board. We will raise the mast to about 20ft when we are in the actual operating location. Do you think we can get a permit to drive this down the highway?? It would fall under the WIDE LOAD class..... If everything works out OK, we will drive to Rocksprings, TX on Monday, Dec 26th. We will set up on Tuesday morning and start running shortly thereafter. We hope to have Internet, so look for us on PingJockey. We hope to be there.... SOURCE: 73 Marshall K5QE Member K5N Activation Group to MMMonVHF

** 3DA, SWAZILAND, qrv HF and 50 MHz (EME) **

Operators Phil/G3SWH and John/G3OLU (aka EA5ARC) will be active from the Hawane Resort in western Swaziland between February 21-29th 2012. The Hawane Resort has a well equipped station with Elecraft K3 transceivers, ICOM IC2KL amplifiers, an A4S at 24m and an A3WS at 20m, a wire 4 square for 40m and a vertical for 80m complete with 30 x 20m long radials. Phil informs OPDX that they will use a single callsign for the DXpedition, which is yet to be allocated. Activity will be on CW only on all bands 80-10 meters. There will be no 160, 6 meters or EME activity. Propagation permitting, they plan to have two stations on the air for as many hours every day as is possible. Their main objective is to work as many European, North American and ROTW stations on as many different bands as possible and plan to make at least 15,000 QSOs. QSL via G3SWH, either via the OQRS facility on Phil's Web site <www.g3swh.org.uk> (preferred), direct with SAE and adequate return postage, or via the Bureau. Subject to a good Internet connection, there will be an on-line log on Phil's Web site and daily uploads to LoTW. Phil will issue an update once the callsign has been issued and he has the Web site up and running. SOURCE: [DX-ENG] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1041

** Activity from Angel Falls waterfall (WW Loc. FJ85RX) **

A 10-man team from the Radio Club of Venezuela plan to be active from the vicinity of Angel Falls waterfall (WW Loc. FJ85RX), the world's tallest (979m) from 3-6 January 2012. Look for them as YX6AJ on CW/SSB/Digi and the Satellites. Operators mentions so far include Lino YY5FRD, Jesus YY5CHJ, Marcel YY5CAR, Wilmer YY5CWM, Alfredo YV5SSF, Edwin YV5HUJ, Jose YV5JF, William YV5VE and Angel YV5NEA. QSL via YV5AJ, direct or bureau. Website: www.qrz.com/db/YX6AJ SOURCE: ICPO Bulletin (16-23 Dec.2011)

** Cambidia, XU, qrv HF and 50 MHz and SAT **

A group of JA operators plan to be active from Sihanoukville
between January 14-22nd. Operators mentioned are Masumi/JA3AVO
(XU7AVO), Takeo/JA3BZO (XU7AEN), Kunio/JA1CJA/JH3LSS (XU7CJA),
Tsuguya/JA3UJR (XU7UJR), Shozo/JA3HJI (XU7HJI pending) and
Tatsuo/JA3ARJ (XU7ARJ pending). Activity will probably be like
last time on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and Digital modes.
Also look for satellite activity on 2m and 70cm. QSL via their
home callsigns. SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DXBulletin #1040

** PJ7, SINT MAARTEN, qrv HF and 50 MHz **

A group of Polish operators are planning to be active as PJ7PT
from Sint Maarten (NA-105) between March 5-18th, 2012. Operators
mentioned are Wojciech/SP9PT, Bogdan/SP2EBG, YL Gala/SP2GKS,
Jurek/SP3GEM, Czeslaw/SP3HLM and Jozef/SP9-31029. Activity will
be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via SP9PT. For
more details and updates, visit the PJ7PT Web site at:
http://www.pj7pt.com SOURCE: [DX-ENG] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1041

** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 2359 UTC ...

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like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USER who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

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1213. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1793 - December 23 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-23 10:00:12 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20111223100004.0EAD933C9B@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3803
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1793 - December 23 2011

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1793 with a release date of Friday, December 23rd, 2011 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. France appears ready to modernize its Amateur Service rules; proposed Euro Zone laws could outlaw kit building and modifying ham radio gear; another major endorsement for a world-wide band at 500 KHz and the Do It Yourself Magic of Amateur Radio to premiere on the World Wide Web on December 27th. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1793 coming your way right now.

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RADIO LAW: FRENCH REGULATOR MODERNIZING HAM RADIO LAWS

France appears to be on trhe verge of modernizing its amateur service rules. Newsline's Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, is here with what's known so far:

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French telecommunications regulator ARCEP looks as if it is ready to permit French radio amateurs to use modern means of communication such as D-STAR. On December 14th several French ham radio groups received a draft amendment from ARCEP regarding new laws to govern that nations amateur and amateur satellite services.

If approved, these new rules will replace the Decision No. 2010-0537, which currently governs French amateur radio operations. The new rules appear to liberalize modes and interconnect options for ham radio in the digital age.

According to the latest word that we have, the rules change proposals will be available for a public discussion on the ARCEP website and those of participating amateur radio associations.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, in Zion, Illinois.

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A careful study of text is already underway by a working group of French radio amateurs to formulate a joint response by January 20,

2012. (Southgate)

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RADIO LAW: EU ZONE THREAT TO KITS AND MODIFYING RADIOS ARISES

DL9KCE reports a threat to amateur radio kits and modified equipment in the European Union. One arising from changes to the regions electromagnetic radiation or EMC exposure limits laws.

Currently amateur radio kits and modified equipment are specifically excluded from these directives but under the proposed changes they would be fully subjected to the EMC laws. The resulting high compliance costs could make it uneconomic to develop and sell kits in the European common market zone. More significant is that should radio amateur's want to modify equipment it appears they would also incur additional costs and bureaucratic red tape.

IARU Region 1 is expected to respond with a letter letter to lawmakersa in the very neart future.

(IARU R-1, Southgate)

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RESTRUCTURING: ANOTHER ENDORSEMENT FOR A NEW HAM BAND AT 500 KHZ

A new world wide allocation near 500 KHz has received yet another backer. Graham Kemp, VK4BB, of the WIA News reports from Down-Under:

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The proposal to allocate a part of the medium frequency band to the amateur service at the World Radio Conference in 2012 received a boost this week with the release of the Asia-Pacific Common Proposals that were developed at the 5th Meeting of the APT Conference Preparatory Group for WRC-12.

During this meeting the various nations of the Asia-Pacific region discussed many of issues that will be addressed at WRC12 and attempted to come to a regional consensus position.

The proposal of interest to the amateur service is to consider an allocation of about 15 kHz in parts of the band 415 to 526.5 kHz to the amateur service on a secondary basis, taking into account the need to protect existing services" and this proposal was supported by a comfortable margin of Asia-Pacific administrations responding to the voting request.

The successful development of a regional position supporting an amateur MF allocation increases the chances that the proposal will be accepted at WRC-12.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Graham Kemp, VK4BB, of the WIA News in Australia.

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If the proposal is accepted and acted upon at WRC-12, among other things it will mean another place for hams world wide to experiment with many emerging digital codecs that permit long distance communications with very low power levels. (WIA News)

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RADIO LAW: HAMS IN LEGANES SPAIN TURN TO FACEBOOK TO SAVE ANTENNAS

Hams in the city of Leganes, Spain are taking to Facebook in an attempt to try to retain the right to install and maintain their antennas.

Leganes is located about 11 km southwest of Spain's capital of Madrid. Its also where the city council has practically banned local radio amateurs from installing or retaining antenna systems. To bring this situation to the attention of the worlds of amateur radio outside Leganes, hams there have created a Facebook page at tinyurl.com/save-leganes-antennas.

The page is in Spanish but they ask that hams worldwide who have a Facebook account to go to it and click the "Like" button. The ham radio community of Leganes, Spain, hopes that a large turnout of support will help convince the town council to reverse its highly restrictive rulings. More in the Spanish language is on-line at www.fediea.org/news. (Southgate, FEDIEA)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: AMSAT STARTS FOX-1 FUND RAISING CAMPAIGN

AMSAT North America has kicked off a funding drive to build and launch its Fox 1 ham radio satellite. This as a direct replacement for Amsat Oscar 51.

AMSAT Vice-President of Engineering, Tony Monteiro, AA2TX says that Fox-1 will advance single-channel FM repeater satellite operation beyond the experience of AO-51. Called the next generation of AO-51 class satellites, Fox-1 is designed for longer operational life. It also will contain technologic breakthroughs that could not be attained when AO-51 was designed.

Among the new features, Fox-1 is designed to operate in sunlight without batteries once the battery system fails. This applies lessons learned from both the AO-51 and ARISSat One operations. In case of Internal Housekeeping Unit failure Fox-1 will continue to operate its FM repeater in a basic, 'zombie sat' mode. This means that thew repeater will remain on the air.

Fox-1 is being designed as the immediate replacement for AO-51. Its UHF to VHF Mode B transponder will make it even easier to work with the most modest of equipment. This means from the ground user's perspective, the same amateur radio equipment used for AO-51 may be used for Fox-1.

For more information on this new satellite and the fund to put it in space please visit www dot amsat dot org.

We will have more ham radio space related news later on in this weeks Amateur Radio Newsline report. (ANS)

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RADIO LAW: TOWERS VS BIRDS - AGAIN

The FCC has released interim regulations governing tower siteing that it says strike a balance between protecting migratory birds and the needs of industries that want to build communication towers, Amateur Radio Newsline's Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, has the details:

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For years, broadcast engineers generally have said there's no proof that towers kill migratory birds, noting that they haven't seen piles of dead birds at the base of towers. Environmentalists disagree, saying towers, lights and guy wires pose a deadly threat.

In 2006, the commission asked for comments on the issue. Now the agency says evidence in the record suggests the likely impact of towers on migratory birds increases with tower height.

As researchers and attorneys predicted, towers over 450 feet in height will face more scrutiny. This will likely include the need to conduct an environmental assessment and allowing the public time to comment on where a new tower would be sited before construction. Methods of public notification could include publishing a newspaper notice or by going through a local zoning public notice process. An environmental notice is also required if an applicant changes the lighting of an existing tower to what is being termed as a less preferred style.

There is no official lighting ranking yet, however the commission says recommendations from federal wildlife protection agencies suggest that steady-burning red lights pose the greatest risk to migratory birds. Also that the differences among flashing and blinking lights are not statistically significant.

The FCC eventually intends to rank tower lighting in its final rule making on this issue but it has not said when it expects the regulations to be completed or their effective date.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, near Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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Nearly four years ago, a federal appeals court told the FCC its tower registration procedures fell short of meeting its responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act, the Endangered Species Act and the Migratory Bird Treaty Act. The FCC says that its interim regulations address those responsibilities. (FCC, RW)

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BREAK 1

With holiday wishes to all, we are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the N4MWA repeater serving South-Eastern, Kentucky.

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RADIO LAW: LIGHTSQUARED VS. GPS INDUSTRY - ROUND 6

The federal government has confirmed reports that tests conducted by a joint Technical Working Group show that signals from a nationwide wireless broadband network proposed by from LightSquared interfered with the majority of commercial GPS receivers that it tested. Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, is in the newsroom with the latest on this controversary between the government and private industry that can affect every GPS user:

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A joint statement issued December 13th by the Department of Transportation and the Department of Defense confirms that testing did show that LightSquared signals caused harmful interference to the majority of tested general purpose GPS receivers. A separate battery of tests, conducted by the Federal Aviation Administration has shown the LightSquared like signals also interfered with Terrain Avoidance and Warning Systems. These rely heavily on GPS signals for reference to an aircraft's proximity to the ground.

In response, LightSquared executive vice-president Jeffrey Carlisle sent a letter on December 12th to FCC Secretary Marlene H. Dortch. In it, LightSquared offered to surrender authority over use of the upper part of its allotted spectrum to the National Executive Committee for Space-Based Positioning, Navigation and Timing which is a government organization of military and commercial telecommunications officials. The move would effectively shut LightSquared out from utilizing that bandwidth, which is immediately adjacent to the spectrum used by G-P-S receivers.

But here is a catch. In exchange for the concession, the company asked for immediate access to the lower 10 MHz of the spectrum initially granted to LightSquared by the FCC in December 2010. LightSquared claims signals utilizing this bandwidth will not interfere with most GPS devices, provided they are fitted with narrow bandwidth sharp cutoff filters.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, Im Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in The City of Angels.

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That proposal from LightSquared was met with suspicion from the Coalition to Save our GPS. In a statement, coalition member the National Business Aviation Association noted LightSquared's offer doesn't alleviate the overall concern that its system will still interfere with GPS signals. As such, there exists the potential of jeopardizing the safety of countless pilots and others who rely on GPS for navigation. (NABA)

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RADIO LAW: FCC ADOPTS CALM ACT RULES TO LIMIT TV COMMERCIAL VOLUME

The Federal Communications Commission has taken what it terms as a major step toward eliminating one of the most persistent problems of the television age. That being those overly loud commercials that the public seems to hate.

On Wednesday, December 14th the Commission adopted a Report and Order that implements the 2010 Commercial Advertisement Loudness Mitigation or CALM Act. That's the statute in which Congress gave the Commission, for the first time, authority to address the problem of excessive commercial loudness.

The rules as adopted require that commercials have the same average volume as the programs they accompany. The rules also establish simple, practical ways for stations and multi-channel video programming distributors to demonstrate their compliance with the new regulations.

The CALM Act rules will become effective one year after the date of their adoption, or 13 December, 2012. This gives those broadcasters falling under the regulation until that date to be in full compliance. Equally important, it provides ample time for programmers and networks to provide their distributors with certifications stating the commercials that accompany their programming are fully compliant with these new rules.

While consumer complaints about loud commercials have diminished since 2009, the FCC expects that these new rules will reduce loudness complaints even further. (Media Network, FCC)

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TECHNOLOGY ASSISTANCE: DISABILITY.GOV NOW ON LINE

www.disability.gov is the new federal government website for comprehensive information on disability programs and services in communities nationwide. The site links to more than 14,000 resources from federal, state and local government agencies; academic institutions; and nonprofit organizations.

In the Technology section, can be found information on assistive and accessible technologies, emergency communications systems; the accessibility features of new technologies like smart phones; and guidelines and standards related to technology accessibility for people with disabilities. Information is by State using the drop-down menu

located on the left side of any page on Disability.gov, to find local resources that can help you pay for your assistive technology needs.

Disability.gov is managed by the U.S. Department of Labor's Office of Disability Employment Policy in collaboration with 21 federal agency partners, including the FCC. (FCC)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: SA AMSAT CALLS FOR PAPERS FOR SPACE SYMPOSIUM

The 2012 South Africa AMSAT Space Symposium will be held at the University of KwaZulu-Natal on May 12th of 2012. The theme of the conference is "50 Years of Amateur Radio Satellites" and celebrating the launch of OSCAR 1 on December 12 1961.

Authors are invited to submit a brief synopsis of a proposed paper to be presented at the symposium. The deadline for submissions is January 31, 2012. Send a synopsis as a word file attachment to saamsat (at) intekom (dot) co (dot) za. More about the symposium is on-line at www.amsatsa.org.za/ (SA-AMSAT)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: NEW RECORD FOR LA GRANGE 6 METER BUZZARD NET

December 19th set a new record for number of check-ins to the Georgia-based LaGrange 6 Meter Buzzard Net. According to Bob Yates, W4GCB, 32 stations from Georgia and Alabama showed up to take part. The station farthest from the net control was Thomas Glasze, K4SUS, who is in the north Georgia hills above the city of Ellijay. That's about 125 Airline miles from net control.

W4GCB says that the next goal for the net is to achieve 50 check-ins. The LaGrange 6 Meter Buzzard Net meets every Monday evening at 01:30 UTC on 50.155 Mhz, upper-sideband.

W4GCB notes that one of the best ways to protect our frequencies is to use them. He adds that keeping 6 meters active is not only worthwhile but is also a lot of fun. (W4GCB)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: HENNING SCHULZRINNE NAMED NEW FCC CHIEF TECHNOLOGY OFFICER

Some names in the news. First up is Henning Schulzrinne who has been named as the new Chief Technology Officer at the FCC. An engineering fellow at the FCC since 2010 and a professor in the School of Engineering at Columbia University, Schulzrinne will guide the agency's work on technology and engineering issues, together with the FCC's Office of Engineering and Technology.

The Columbia University professor reports to FCC Chairman Julius Genachowski. In his new role, Schulzrinne will advise on matters

across the agency to ensure that FCC policies are driving technological innovation.

Schulzrinne is best known for development of key protocols that enable VoIP and other multimedia applications. He was a member of technical staff at AT&T Bell Laboratories, in Murray Hill New Jersey and an associate department head at GMD-Fokus in Berlin before joining Columbia University.

Schulzrinne will be based in the FCC's Office of Strategic Planning and Policy Analysis. He replaces Douglas Sicker, who was appointed to the position in June of 2010. (FCC)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: ENGINEERING GREAT BOB ORBAN ON TWIT.TV

And if you are a ham interested in audio processing technology, then you are likely familiar with the name Bob Orban. His work has made his company a world leader in broadcast audio processing technology some of which has been adapted into the ham radio community. In fact, it's hard to find any radio station or other broadcast outlet where one of his famed Optimod processors is not installed.

Now you can get a chance to learn a bit about the technology that Bob Orban created by watching two recent video podcasts on Leo LaPorte's TWIT dot TV internet network. On December 14th Bob Orban appeared on the shows Triangulation and This Week in Radio Tech. Both are now available for download or on-line viewing. Take your web browser to twit dot tv and use the websites search facility with the name Bob Orban to locate them. If great sounding audio is your thing, then this will be two hours well spent. (ARNewsline(tm))

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BREAK 2

News never stops and neither do we. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: 137 KHZ SIGNAL GENERATED IN GERMANY SEEN IN ALASKA

Earlier on in this weeks newscast we reported on the latest support for a low-frequency ham radio allocation. Well, it's nearly 10 years since a low frequency signal from Europe has been received in Alaska. Now, the RF generated by Stefan Schaefer, DK7FC, of Heidelberg, Germany has been seen on 136.172 kHz at the remotely operated station of Laurence

Howell, KL7UK near Wasilla, Alaska.

Howell also holds the UK call sign G4DMA used Spectrumlab software to decode Schaefer's transmission. Using this system, a full callsign using dual frequency 30 second per dot CW was seen.

This is believed to be a first for this type of transpolar path as it has to cross the Auroral zone twice. Conditions have to be very stable with low geomagnetic and Proton levels, and the path only appears to be open in the deepest part of the winter.

KL7UK who is part of the WE2XPO low frequency experimental license group is using a 2 turn directional K9AY array and a remotely tuned Icom R75 receiver controlled from his residence in Bartlesville, Oklahoma. DK7FC in Germany had an Effective Radiated Power of only a few Watts.

The last signals across this path were seen were in 2003. At that time G3AQC, G3LDO and DF6NM made the rare path. More about these low frequency transmissions is on-line at kl7uk.com. (KL7UK)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: THREE ASTRO-HAMS HEADED TO THE ISS

Three more hams may already be on their way to the Interrnatioal Space Station. NASA astronaut Don Pettit, KD5MDT, Russian cosmonaut Oleg Kononenko, RN3DX, and Dutch astronaut Andre Kuipers, PI9ISS were scheduled for a December 21st launch to the orbiting outpost on 13:16 UTC. By the time you hear this they will likely be on-orbit. The three hams are headed for a half-year mission aboard the I-S-S as members of Expeditions 30 and 31. (ANS, Spaceflight Now)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: ARISSAT-1 MISSION MAY END DECEMBER 31

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As any satellite has descended to lower altitudes the atmospheric drag has increased significantly. This latest prediction For ARISSat One's demise uses solar data through this past December 14th and only includes orbital height data gathered between December 9th and the 14th. (ANS)

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RADIO FROM SPACE: RUSSIAN PHOBOS-GRUNT MAY DEORBIT IN EARLY JANUARY

And ARISSat One is not the only satellite expected to fall from orbit in the near future. Russia's troubled Phobos-Grunt probe, which has been stuck in the wrong orbit for more than a month, appears to be

headed for a fiery and uncontrolled fall back to Earth in early January.

Space debris tracking experts are predicting that giant Russian-built spacecraft will re-enter Earth's atmosphere on January 9th but at present, the forecast includes an uncertainty of plus or minus 5 1/2 days. In fact, some space debris analysts are even suggesting that the spacecraft could see its demise as early as January 1st or 2nd.

Phobos-Grunt was designed to land on Phobos, one of Mars two moons. The mission was slated to gather rock and soil samples from Phobos and return them to Earth in 2014.

But after shortly being boosted into space on November 9th Moscow time, the spacecraft failed to send itself toward the red planet. Russian, European and U.S. deep space network receivers were mobilized in hopes of salvaging the marooned probe, but flight controllers have struggled to regain control of Phobos-Grunt with no success to date. (SPACE)

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ON THE AIR: HAMS IN KAZAKHSTAN CELEBRATE NATIONS 20TH ANNIVERSARY

On the air, hams in Kazakhstan are celebrating their country's 20th anniversary with the use of special callsigns as well as issuing a certificate to commemorate the event. The 48 special callsigns along with QSL routing and commemorative certificate information is listed at kw dot cqun dot kz. Kazakhstan is best known in ham radio circles as the home of the Bikenour Cosmodrome from where a number of ham radio satellites and crews to the International Space Station have been launched. (G0SFJ)

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DX

In DX, members of the NN6NN RTTY Team will be activating PJ2N from the Signal Point Station on Curacao Island during the 2012 ARRL RTTY Round-Up. The date for this one is January 7th and 8th with the team operating as a multi-op high power entry. QSL direct to NN6NN or electronically using Logbook of the World.

A team consisting of 12 European operators will be active as HU2DX from the Capricho Beach House in El Salvador, between January 29th and February 10th. Operations will be on 160 through 10 meters with the main focus on the lower bands. QSL via DH7WW either direct or via the bureau. More information is on-line at www dot hu2dx dot de.

AA9A and W4OWY will be active from Antigua as V25AA and V25WY, respectively, between February 13th and the 22nd. Their operations will be on 160 through 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via their home callsigns.

Lastly, a group of Polish operators are planning to be active as PJ7PT from Sint Maarten between March 5th to the 18th. Their operations will be on 160 through 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via SP9PT. More about this operation is on-line at www.pj7pt.com

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: "THE DIY MAGIC OF AMATEUR RADIO" ARRL VIDEO TO BE RELEASED VIA DECEMBER 27th AND DEC 3rd NETCASTS

And finally this week, two dates to mark down on your ham radio social calendar. The first is this Tuesday, December 27th at 8:30 p.m. Eastern time. That's when the ARRL will present an on-line premiere screening of its new video titled The DIY Magic of Amateur Radio.

To accomplish this the League has teamed up with Tom Medlin, W5KUB, who will be streaming it from his website at w5kub.com. The video will also be released earlier that day on-line at the ARRL's own website at www.arrl.org and on the ARRL video pages on YouTube dot com. All three are a part of a new ARRL public relations campaign to interest the nations maker and hacker community in our world of ham radio.

Then a week later on January 3rd at 9 p.m. Eastern, the shows producer Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, along with Director Dave Bell, W6AQ and writer Henry Feinberg, K2SSQ, will be the guests of Bob Heil, K9EID, and Gordon West, WB6NOA. This on their weekly TWIT dot TV video podcast known as Ham Nation.

Bell, Feinberg and Pasternak will give you a behind the scenes look at how the DIY Magic of Amateur Radio video was conceived as well as how it was put together using the very latest digital video production techniques. You will also get to see the video in its entirety.

Look for this live netcast at 9 PM Eastern on Tuesday, January 3rd at live.twit.tv. If you miss it, wait about 24 hours for it to be posted at twit.tv/hn. (ARRL, ARNewsline(tm))

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Burt Hicks wishing you a Merry Christmas, a Happy Chanukah, a joyous Quanza and a most preposterous New Year. 73, see you next week and we thank

you for listening.

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1214. TSA tool rules.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-23 17:46:17 UTC
From: Tom Horne <hornetd@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <cfd8d472-c22e-4dd1-a432-33bc14edb4b7@d10g2000vbh.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3804

All Hands

Be advised that the TSA considers any tool longer than seven inches in any dimension to be a weapon and they will not allow it in the passenger compartment of a common carrier aircraft. In order to save my One Hundred Twenty Dollar crimper I had to send it to myself by FedEx go back through security and dammed near miss my flight. I was unaware of this rule so the crimper was in my Radio Carry On. I would not want any radio that I was responsible for to go in with the baggage because it would be unlikely to arrive at the destination in working condition. I guess I will have to buy one of those Air Transport Cases to hold all of my tools and pay the extra fifty bucks to check it with most airlines. Security Theater strikes again.

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Tom Horne, W3TDH

1215. SARL News in English 24/12/2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-24 17:06:07 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <F65D71BE405249F79A1907A5D9557EA0@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 3805
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 25 DECEMBER 2011

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. PLEASE NOTE: for audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 and 3,695 MHz SSB.

In the news today:

137 kHz SIGNAL GENERATED IN GERMANY SEEN IN ALASKA

NEW TIME FOR AMATEUR RADIO TODAY'S MONDAY TRANSMISSION

ARISSAT-1 MISSION MAY END DECEMBER 31

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting items.

ITS CHRISTMAS

The President and Council of the South African Radio League as well as all the co-ordinators and the news team wishes all members and listeners a blessed Christmas and we wish our Jewish members and listeners a happy Hanukkah. May the spirit of this special time of the year touch you all. Happy Holidays.

137 kHz SIGNAL GENERATED IN GERMANY SEEN IN ALASKA

It is nearly 10 years since a low frequency signal from Europe has been received in Alaska. Now, the RF generated by Stefan Schaefer, DK7FC, of Heidelberg, Germany has been seen on 136,172 kHz at the remotely operated station of Laurence Howell, KL7UK near Wasilla, Alaska.

Howell also holds the UK call sign G4DMA, he used Spectrumlab software to decode Schaefer's transmission. Using this system, a full callsign using dual frequency 30 second per dot CW was seen.

This is believed to be a first for this type of transpolar path as it has to cross the Auroral zone twice. Conditions have to be very stable with low geomagnetic and Proton levels, and the path only appears to be

open in the deepest part of the winter.

KL7UK who is part of the WE2XPO low frequency experimental license group is using a 2 turn directional K9AY array and a remotely tuned ICOM R75 receiver controlled from his residence in Bartlesville, Oklahoma. DK7FC in Germany had an Effective Radiated Power of only a few Watts.

The last signals across this path were seen were in 2003. At that time G3AQC, G3LDO and DF6NM made the rare path. More about these low frequency transmissions is on-line at kl7uk.com. (KL7UK)

The 137 kHz band is available to South African Amateurs. If you are experimenting on 137 kHz we would like to hear from you. Drop an email to artoday@sarl.org.za.

NEW TIME FOR AMATEUR RADIO TODAY'S MONDAY TRANSMISSION

>From next Monday, January 2, the retransmission of Amateur Radio TODAY will change to 17:30 - 18:30 UTC which is 19:30 - 20:30 CAT. The transmission will remain in the 60 metre band on a frequency of 4 895 kHz. The transmitter power will be 100 kW feeding an omni-directional antenna. Reception reports are invited and can be emailed to artoday@sarl.org.za. All reports received of the January 2 transmission by 5 January will be participating in a lucky draw for a ARRL book on RFI. You can also fax your report to 012 991 5651.

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PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is at low levels with a slight chance for a M-class event. Sunspot 1 384 remains the largest visible sunspot group. The sun's surface is still peppered with smaller sunspots promising exciting HF conditions.

For the people doing their own frequency predictions the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 92.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with the higher bands typically opening first and the lower bands opening later during the day. 6 m is also active with TEP openings from time-to-time.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

15 January 2012 - Last day for submission of summaries of proposed papers for the Radio Technology in Action Symposiums 2012 to artoday@sarl.org.za. 31 January 2012 - Last day for submission of

nominations for Council members and also for submission of motions for the 2012 SARL AGM. 31 January 2012 - Closing date for submitting papers for SA AMSAT Space Symposium. Remember also to submit nominations for SARL awards which will be presented at the gala dinner which will take place over the weekend of the 2012 SARL AGM.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 16:30 UTC on 4 895 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by George, Z6SNE.

Thank you for listening, 73. /EX

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1216. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1042

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-24 23:49:10 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <128107.25831.qm@smtp106.sbc.mail.mud.yahoo.com>
Source record: 3806
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

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*** SPECIAL NOTE FROM EDITOR (Tedd, KB8NW): My family (wife/OPDX's chief proof-reader Linda, son Teddy [TJ] and his wife Jessi, daughter Katie and her husband Kevin and son Lliam) and I (KB8NW) would like to wish all DXers, Contesters and OPDX readers a very "Happy Holiday, Merry Christmas and Season's Greetings". Thanks to the many individuals who sent holiday wishes to my family and me.....73 and Have a Great Holiday de Tedd KB8NW

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Saturday, 17th-December, through Saturday, 24th-December there were 218 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5V, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, CY0, D2, DL, DU, E4 E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FR, FS, G, GD, GI, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, JA, JD/o, JT, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, R1FJ, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T32, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TN, TR, TT, TU, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VP2V, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZF, ZK2, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

2011 CQ DX MARATHON (Only a few days left!). John, K9EL, DX Marathon Administrator, reminds OPDX readers: "The 2011 DX Marathon sponsored by CQ Magazine ends December 31st, so only a few days left to add to your total! Logs are due no later than January 31, 2012. See the DX Marathon Website for details <www.dxmarathon.com>. Also, a new Yahoo Group has been created to help share information and answer questions regarding the Marathon. Once signed into Yahoo Groups, search for 'DXMarathon'."

4T100, PERU (Special Event). Members of the Radio Club Peruano (OA4O) are now active as 4T100MP through December 31st. Activity is to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the fascinating and mysterious pre-Columbian Inca lost city of Machu Picchu. QSL via OA4O, direct or by the Bureau.

60 METERS NEWS. The ARRL is requesting input for a proposed 60-meter band plan. Read the posting at:
http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-requests-feedback-for-60-meter-band-plan
The news item contains links to the survey E-mail "box" and a online survey.

8P, BARBADOS. Operators Larry/K3VX, Bill/W3WH and Carl/K9CS will be active from Barbados as 8P9VX, 8P9WH, and 8P9CS, respectively, between February 14-22th, 2012. Their activity will include the ARRL CW DX Contest (February 18-19th) as a Multi-Op signing 8P5Y. QSL all callsigns via K9CS.

8Q, MALDIVES. Berti, HB9SLO, will be active as 8Q7LO from the Maldives (AS-013) between December 27th and January 2nd, 2012. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands. QSL via his home callsign.

AFRICAN TOUR. Sadao "Dan", JA1PBV, who is on a African tour for about a month, is now active as 9G5SI from Accra, Ghana. Activity has been mostly on 40 and 20 meters CW, but he also does operate on SSB and the Digital modes. He is expected to leave on December 26th. Dan is expected to go to Togo (5V) next between December 26th and January 2nd, and then on to Benin (TY) between January 2-9th. He will try to operate from both places, but has not been issued callsigns yet. QSL via JA1PBV.

AFRICAN TOUR. Luc, F5RAV, who is expected to be active as UT/F5RAV from Kiev (between December 27th and January 3rd, will once again head south to Africa and be active as 6V7T from 6W7RV's QTH in Somone, Senegal, between February 24th and March 7th, 2012. During his stay, Luc plans to be in the REF and ARRL contests. After his operation in Senegal, look for him to be active as C56/F5RAV (along with Francisco, EA1BT) from Banjul, The Gambia, between February 27th and March 2, 2012. Activity from both locations should be on SSB and PSK. QSL via his home callsign.

CT9, MADERIA. Mathieu, MJ0ASP, will be active as CT9/MJ0ASP from Madeira between December 28th and January 7th, 2012. Activity will be on 40-10 meters CW only. QSL via LoTW or via his home callsign.

CY0, SABLE ISLAND (Everything is still a go!). The latest update, dated December 22nd, states (edited): "Murray/WA4DAN and Ron/AA4VK are making final preparations for the upcoming CY0 DXpedition that starts next week. An FT-897D was purchased this week to serve as a backup rig to the two IC-756 PRO III primary stations. Antennas include Butternut HF2V and HF9V verticals, monoband Gap antennas for 20, 17, 15, 12, and 10 meters, a Yagi for 10M and various dipole antennas. Tokyo Hi-Power solid state amplifiers will provide some boost for our signals. We are scheduled to arrive in Halifax, Nova Scotia, on the morning of Dec 27th. We will confirm all of our equipment made it safely and shop for last minute supplies. After an early wake-up on Dec 28th, we will arrive at Maritime Air and eagerly await for the OIC on Sable and Maritime Air to make the final GO/NO GO call on the weather and landing conditions. Landing on Sable is a little tricky, since landing is on a 'beach runway'. The sand must be relatively firm and free of standing water. Wind speed and wind direction are also critical parameters to the GO/NO GO decision. Winds from the South tend to bring water onto the 'beach runway'." Suggested Frequencies are:

BAND	CW	SSB
160m	1.826 up (down for JA)	1.870 up
80m	3.523 (up or down)	
75m		3.781 up (and JA window)
40m	7.023 up and down	7.135 up or down
30m	10.106 up	
20m	14.023 up	14.170 up 14.190 (alternate 1) 14.240 (alternate 2)
17m	18.072 up	18.145 up
15m	21.023 up	21.295 up
12m	24.892 up	24.945 up
10m	28.023 up	28.450 up 28.650 or 28.750, if 2nd station on 10M CW
6m	50.090 up	50.125 (listening freq.)

Keep a check on this Web site for more updates as they get closer to departure: http://www.cy0dxpedition.com

DX SURVEY RESULTS (DX Magazine's 2011 Most Wanted Countries Survey). DX Magazine's has published their Most Wanted Countries. Here are the "Top 20" (in the Mixed modes) as per DX Magazine (Jan./Feb. issue):

2011 Rank	2010 Prefix	Country	2011 Rank	2010 Rank	Prefix	Country	2010 Rank
1	P5	North Korea	1	11	VK0/M	Macquarie Island	13
2	KP1	Navassa Island	2	12	HK0/M	Malpelo	12
3	3Y/B	Bouvet	3	13	FT5T	Tromelin Island	15
4	VK0/H	Heard Island	5	14	SV/A	Mount Athos	14
5	7O	Yemen	4	15	ZL9	Auckland/Campbell	16
6	FT5Z	Amsterdam	6	16	PY0S	St. Peter and Paul	18
7	FT5/W	Crozet	9	17	KH5	Palmyra	19
8	BS7H	Scarborough	10	18	KH5K	Kingman Reef	17

9 VP8/S South Sandwich 8 19 KH9 Wake Island 22
10 ZS8 Marion Island 7 20 FR/JE Juan de Nova/Europa 20

Look for the "Top 100" to be posted around January 15th, on the DX Publishing, Inc. Web site at: http://www.dxpub.com/dx_news.html

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, informs that the following operations are approved for DXCC credit:
E44PM - Palestine; 2011 Operation; Logs are expected to be uploaded to LoTW soon.

5N6/YL2SW - Nigeria; This operation has been on hold pending a review of the status of their location (In accordance with DXCC rule 8 regarding it being "land-based"). After a brief review it was determined that this was, in fact, a land based operation so it is now approved for DXCC credit: If you had credit for this operation rejected in the past, send a note to bmoore@arrl.org to have your record updated. You can see the results when the change has been done to your record by checking your LoTW account or, the DXCC daily numbers. (Due to heavy e-mail, Bill probably will not be able to reply to all requests).

FW0/TW0, WALLIS & FUTUNA (Update). Laci, HA0NAR, and two other operators will be active as FW0R from Uvea Island (aka Wallis, OC-054, DIFO FW-001, WLOTA 0389, WW Loc. AH16VS) next year (2012) between Janaury 25th and February 23rd. Laci, HA0NAR, reported this past week: "Exactly one month from now, the FW0R team will start its journey to Wallis and Futuna Islands, with the first stop in Los Angeles for 2 days before taking an airplane to Nadi (Fiji), the closest international airport to Wallis. From there, we will fly to Wallis and expect to start TX around 25th of January 2012. We would like to remind you that the entire trip and stay on the island is paid in full by each of the operators and that any contribution/support will help us to reduce the high logistical costs. We would like to thank all individuals and especially the Foundations and Clubs as well as equipment suppliers that already support us. Our PayPal account is:
ha0nar@hotmail.com
Additionally, we plan to be active from Futuna Island (IOTA OC-118) with the callsign TW0F. QSL for both FW0R and TW0F are via Laci HA0NAR."
For more info, visit: http://www.ha0nar.hu

HK0, MALPELO ISLAND. With the upcoming HK0NA DXpedition to Malpelo Island in late January and into February, Wolf, OE1WHC, informs OPDX that he has put together a comprehensive Web page covering all previous operations from that island on the Vienna based "Documentary Archives Radio Communications" Web site at (English version): http://dokufunk.org/malpelo

IOTA NEWS.....
EU-128. Jan-Henrik, DG8HJ, will once again be active as homecall/p from Fehmarn Island (EU-128, GIA O-001, WLOTA 0637) between January 1-8th, 2012. Activity will be on the HF bands. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct.

NA-065. Rick K6VVA will be active as K6VVA/7 from Vashon Island
between January 1-3rd, 2012. Activity will be mainly on
40-10 meters CW, depending on the propagation. QSL via
N6AWD. For more details and updates, check out Rick's
Web site and Twitter pages at:
http://www.k6vva.com/iota/na065
https://twitter.com/#!/k6vva

SA-024/
SA-071. Brazilian IOTA DXpedition. A Brazilian and Itlatian team will
activate both Comprida Island (SA-024) and Peruhibe Island
(SA-071) between January 30th and February 9th. The Italian
operators will sign PY/homecall while the Brazilain operators
sign homecall/p. Operators mentioned are Leopoldo/I8LWL, Paki/
IZ8GDO, Vespe/IW8EZV, Angelo/PY2VA and Toni/PY2YW. QSL via
I8LWL.

J5, GUINEA BISSAU. The Verona Section of A.R.I. (Italian Radioamateurs
Association) is organizing a group of its members called the Verona DX
Team, a DXpedition, with humanitarian and ham-radio purposes, to Guinea-
Bissau (J5), one of the poorest countries in the world. The callsign J52
is a "most wanted", especially on RTTY, CW and the Digital modes and has
never been activated in EME. The expedition will be on the air between
March 24th and April 6th, 2012. The team will operate from Cumura.
Operators mentioned are Lucio/I3LDP (Team Leader), Walter/I3VJW, Tony/
IK3ESB, Silverio/IK3IUL, Libero/IK3RBE, Enzo/IK3VVD, Milena/IK3VZJ,
Livio/IZ3BUR and Llario/IZ3STA. QSL Manager is I3LDP. For more info,
visit the J52 Web site at:
http://www.ari.verona.it/veronadxteam/en/index.htm

KH3, JOHNSTON ATOLL (Update/Clearing the Confusion). Susan, W7KFI,
informs OPDX that she will be operating from the pier that extends over
the land and the ARRL has OKed this. She states, "Sorry for the confusion.
I have a pop tent and will set it up at the end of the pier, over land,
then the verticals will go on each side with grounds extending into the
water....should result in some good signals...I hope. In any event,
being on a 'pier' over land has already been done by DXpeditions and
ARRL has approved."
LAST MINUTE UPDATE: The DX-World.net is reporting that Susan's QSL Manager,
Stan, KH6CG, spoke with Susan and confirms rumors that her KH3-Midway
planned operation has been postponed for 4-6 weeks. He states, "This is
primarily due to USF&W (Fish & Wildlife) requiring that Susan pulls
her boat out of the water and has the hull scraped, then repainted.
Permission [to land] would then be granted. The shipyard who would do
this work cannot get Susan an appointment until approx four weeks from
now, so shove off date will be beginning February at earliest. Susan
reaffirms she will definitely be going, and KH3 will happen, but now no
firm date for the moment. Her permission to operate is through February.
It's worth noting USF&W would prefer Susan to have the hull scraped and
push off date within two weeks from now, however as already mentioned the
shipyard cannot do the required work until four weeks time."

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (December 26th-January 1st)....
Dec/26th AN Dec/29th AN-HN Dec/31st AN-HN
Dec/27th AN-HN Dec/30th AN-HN Jan/01st AN
Dec/28th AN-HN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY	GEOMAG K Values	Alpha
AN - Above Normal	Quiet K=0-1	0-7
HN - High Normal	Unsettled K=2	8-15
LN - Low Normal	Active K=3	16-29
BN - Below Normal	Minor Storm K=4	30-49
DIS - Disturbed	Major Storm K=5	50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed	Severe Storm K=6-9	100-400

SPECIAL NOTE FROM KH6BZF: ALOHA - The 27.5 solar cycle should reach a peak on/about January 4-5th, 2012, with a not so high value of SFI index perhaps between 120-130 levels.! Not a 190 units as we all hope, but one can never tell what "Olde Sol" is going to give us! It beats a lump of coal in your stocking!

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
T32C LOTW. Don, G3XTT, states, "I can confirm that the whole T32C log was uploaded as several large files on the same day but, as expected, LoTW seems to have a degree of indigestion where large logs are concerned. John, G3WGV, will put out a status report when the number of QSOs swallowed by LoTW bears a passing resemblance to the number he thinks he's uploaded! (one of the files went missing completely - John has had quite a bit of 'to and fro'ing' with the LoTW software gurus! A Merry Christmas to all."

CHANGE OF ADDRESS. Ghis, ON5NT, reports: "Due to a reorganization of the post office boxes at my post office my 'POBox 93' is no longer valid.. The number of boxes has been decreased to 48, so no more 93. As per now, my new address is: Ghis Penny, P.O.Box 6, BE-9700 Oudenaarde, Belgium. If you have recently sent mail to POBox 93, not to worry, mail still arriving for my old p.o.box number will be dropped in my new post office box."

QSL Manager Tom, GM4FDM, reports that the first batch of direct cards for 7G7GM were posted the evening of December 18th.

Fred, IK7JWX, reports that he has responded to all requests for all of his 2011 activations (IR7ITA, IP7W, IO7DAI, 5C2J February, Djerba Island TS8P AF-083, Feb. 5C2J. 2011, Herne Island AF-068, WFF CNFF-007) via the Bureau. Every direct QSL is answered right away and Bureau QSLs will be answered about 6 months after.

U.S. POSTAGE GOING UP: The following are highlights of the new single piece First-Class Mail pricing, effective January 22, 2012 :
Letters (1 oz.) - .01 cent increase to .45 cents
Letters additional ounces - unchanged at .20 cents

Postcards - .03 cent increase to .32 cents
Letters to Canada or Mexico (1 oz.) - .05 cent increase to .85 cents
Letters to other international destinations - .07 cent increase to $1.05
Prices also will change for other mailing services, including Standard Mail, Periodicals, Package Services and Extra Services.
The announcement does not affect Express Mail and Priority Mail.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: C91NW, DS5BRE, E51MAN, E51NOU, G3OAG, IF9ZWA, J39BS, OH1F, S50XX, SM6M, SU9VB, VK4UC, VK7XX, ZK2V and ZS6GRL

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3D2R, 4U1ITU, 4W6R, 5W0OJ, 8P3A, B4S, DL2RM/p, EK6TA, ET3BN, FO/F6CTL, FR/DJ7RJ, K5D, PJ4/JH5GHM, PQ8XB, ST0R and ZB2LGT

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 3D20CR and YJ0HA

T8, PALAU. By the time you read this, operators Ryosei/JH0IXE, Hidenari/JA0FKK and Koji/JL3TOG will be active as T8CW, T88XC and T88KI, respectively, from Palau between now and January 8th, 2012. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK31 and JT65A. QSL T8CW via JH0IXE, T88XC via JA0FKK and T88KI via JL3TOG.

T8, PALAU. Mike, T88SM, will once again be active from Palau between January 11-15th, 2012. QSL "ONLY" direct to: Hakata Radio, P.O.Box 232, Hakata, 812-8799, Japan.

T8, PALAU. Kan, JJ2RCJ/AB2RF, will be active as T88RF from Palau between April 30th and May 4th, 2012. Activity will be focused on the low bands and the Digital modes (PSK63/RTTY/Hell). QSL only via JJ2RCJ, by the Bureau or direct. Also via LoTW.

TN, CONGO. It was announced this past week that a DXpedition to the Republic of the Congo by five operators signing TN2T using three stations would take place in 2012. QSL Manager would be M0URX. More details will be forthcoming soon. Watch the following Web page for updates: http://www.tn2t.be

TX6, FRENCH POLYNESIA (Update/IOTA Op). Before and after their major VP6T operation, operators Jacques/F6BEE, Nigel/G3TXF, Gilles/VE2TZT, Michel/FM5CD and Vincent/F4BKV will be active from the following islands (dates are tentative):
Tahiti Island (OC-046) - As TX6T; January 14-16th and February 8-10th
Mangreva Island (OC-063) - As TX6T/p; February 6-7th. However, this short operation from Mangareva will depend on
the early arrival of the return boat from
Pitcairn.
Activity will be active on all HF bands. QSL via G3TXF.

V3, BELIZE. Jeff, K0UU, will be active as V31SG from St. George's Island (NA-073) between February 11-20th, 2012. Activity will be on 40-10 meters CW only. He also plans to participate in ARRL DX CW Contest (February 18-19th). QSL via LoTW or direct.

VK0, MACQUARIE ISLAND. Trevor, VK0TH, continues to be very active on various bands (40/20/17/15/12/10m) using SSB, HELL, PSK31 and RTTY, during various times. He informs OPDX: "Working very hard down here to give operators the chance to get VK0/MM in their logs. We are working on a 6m antenna and are hopeful that we can make a few contacts with this too before it is time to go home next year (End of April 2012)." QSL via JE1LET (direct only).

VP9, BERMUDA. Kei, JJ1RJR will be active as VP9/KG2A from Bermuda between December 26th and January 2nd, 2012. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW and SSB, and 100w. QSL via KG2A home address only.

VU, ANTARCTICA. By the time you read this, Bhagwati, VU3BPZ (ex-AT10BP), should be on board the "M/V Ivan Papanin" and leaving Cape Town for about an 11 day voyage to the new Antarctic research station called Bharati, located at Larsemann Hills. Bhagwati is expected to set up a HF station once his wintering tasks are completed. He is also expected to use a special callsign from the base and stay on the base until March 2013. QSL via I1HYW. More details will be forthcoming.

ZF, CAYMAN ISLANDS (NA-016). John, K6AM, will be active as ZF2AM during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 18-19th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via K6AM, direct or by the Bureau or LoTW.

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1217. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 18th December 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-25 21:00:11 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20111225210002.C3F1533C9B@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3807
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 18th December 2011

Seasons Greetings & Happy Christmas 2011

The Officers and Committee of the Irish Radio Transmitters Society wish everyone seasons greetings and a happy Christmas. Thank you for your support in 2011 and we look forward to your continued support in 2012, as we continue to serve you in our 80th anniversary year. Good wishes to everyone for a good and prosperous New Year.

Athbhliain faoi mhaise daoibh!

IRTS 80th Anniversary

IRTS will be celebrating its 80th anniversary next year. Details of a worldwide contest - CQIR - to take place on Saint Patrick's Day, Saturday 17th March 2012 have just been announced. Full rules and information are available at www.irts.ie/cqir or by email to cqir /at /irts / dot/ie

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IRTS News Radio News Service

This is the last IRTS radio news bulletin for 2011. The next radio news bulletin will be January 8th 2012. The radio news editor thanks everyone who regularly submits items for

inclusion in the radio news service.

Revised HAREC Examination Format

Following recent consultations with ComReg on the renewal of the agreement under which IRTS administer the examinations for the HAREC qualification, we are pleased to announce that ComReg has approved a change in the format of the examination: it will, in future, consist of two sections, each containing 30 questions. The pass mark is 60% and a pass is required in each of the two main sections of the paper, Section A - Amateur Radio Regulations and Related Topics and Section B - Radio Theory and Related Topics. There have been no significant changes to

the content of the Syllabus and Notes for Candidates which was published in June 2010, however its layout has been adjusted to conform to the revised structure mentioned above. In addition, a new Annex has been included containing the principal national call sign prefixes for Europe and North America, knowledge of which is required for the examination. Intending candidates are advised to study the Syllabus carefully paying particular attention to the associated Notes for Candidates and the Annexes to the Syllabus The web page at www.irts.ie/downloads contains a link to the syllabus with the adjusted layout. This page also includes a link to an IRTS document Studying for the Harmonised Amateur Radio Examination Certificate which includes both the syllabus and a new Sample Paper. A revised CD Course Guide, which is closely aligned with the Syllabus topics and the revised examination format, is at an advanced stage of preparation and will be available in the New Year.

Tipperary Amateur Radio Group

The Tipperary Amateur Radio Group Would Like to wish all Radio Amateurs and Shortwave Listeners a Happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year and a thank you to Group members who read the news and helped out at the various events over the year.

Teenager Wins IRTS Contest Award

Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club is delighted that a teenage member, Jamie Nelson 2i0MFB won an Award in the IRTS Autumn 2 metre Counties Contest.

The results in the December issue of Echo Ireland show Jamie winning the OEI Award - best station outside EI - in the Low Power Portable section. His portable station was up on Carnmore, near the Club's Repeater GB3CP and not far from his Magheraveely home in south east Fermanagh. Lat year this same award was won by another radio amateur in that same part of the county, David Corbett MI0VKO.

Jamie at 17 years old was likely the youngest contest operator and had been a radio amateur for about 19 months at the time of the contest.

Jamie did the Club's Foundation course last year, then the examination for his Intermediate examination earlier this year. He has postponed study for the full license examination until after next summer's very important A-level examinations at Portora Royal School.

Jamie is a fine example of the kind of young people we need to recruit into amateur radio. Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club is very proud of his successes.

Global Data Traffic

An interesting statistic is that by 2014, global data traffic will increase by 39 times from current levels, reaching 3.6 exabytes (around 3.9 billion gigabytes) per month, according to wireless firm Cisco.

DX News

F4FOO will operate from Togo in West Africa during the period 19 December until 4 January. He will be on 20 - 10m using SSB. The callsign to look for is 5V7MA and QSLs go via his home call.

Gerry VE6LB is returning to Dubai in the United Arab Emirates for a 3 week stay. He will be active as A6/VE6LB from 20 December until 10 January. As before this is a part time vacation operation. He will run 100w to a G5RV antenna and concentrate mainly on working 12m and 10m. QSL is via the home call and Logbook of the World.

SM6CPY will be signing 9X0PY from Rwanda from 24 December until 7 January. Cards go via his home call.

At this time of year there are often special event stations on the air with a Christmas or New Year theme. Already on the air this year is PB11XMAS from Holland. The operator is PB5X and he will be workable until New Year's Day.

IC Chip Inventors Birthday

We celebrate the birthday of the late Robert Norton Noyce, nicknamed "the Mayor of Silicon Valley". Noyce and Gordon Moore founded Intel in 1968. The integrated circuit was one of the stepping stones toward what we take for granted today, the ubiquitous microprocessor. Noyce was born on December 12, 1927 and died in 1990 at the age of 62.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

1218. [RAC-Bulletin] Industry Canada links in the December 2011 issue of the RAC report.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-27 17:48:51 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4EFA04A8.9000102@rac.ca>
Source record: 3808
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Industry Canada links in the December 2011 issue of the RAC report.
2011-12-27

I noticed (and a few others) noticed that the IC links that were mentioned in the December 2011 issue of RAC Report don\'t work. Further investigation by going to the IC website indicates that many of the pages (including most of the Amateur Radio pages and Spectrum Management sites) don\'t work either.

It seems files in the /eic and /epic directories have disappeared or have become unlinked (via symbolic linking). The VP-TAS, James Hay has let the persons who have contact with IC that there is a problem with the IC web site and hopefully it will corrected soon.

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Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu&#65533;bec
RAC Blog Editor/RAC E-News/Web News Bulletin Editor
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http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

1219. [DXNL] DXNL 1760 (Dec 28, 2011)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-27 20:45:42 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <55440593718.20111227214225@dxhf.darc.de>
Source record: 3809
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

DXNL 1760 - Dec 28, 2011
DX Newsletter

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8Q, MALDIVES, AS-013
Berti,HB9SLO, is working as 8Q7LO in holiday style until January 2.
QSL via homecall.

9M2, WESTERN MALAYSIA, AS-015
Rich,PA0RRS, will be active in CW, PSK and RTTY signing 9M2MRS from
Penang Island (AS-015/WFF 9MFF-016/WLOTA 2743) from Dec 31 till Feb 13.
QSL via homecall, bureau, LoTW and eQSL.

9U, BURUNDI
Francesco,IV3TMM, will show up from Bujumbura (Loc KI46QP) signing
9U3TMM in SSB and RTTY on the HF bands from Dec 28 until Jan 4.
QSL via homecall.

CY0, SABLE ISLAND, NA-063
Ron,AA4VK/CY0, and Murray,WA4DAN/CY0, are planning to activate
Sable Island (NA-063, WLOTA 0758, CIsA NS004, WFF CYFF-001) from
Dec 29 until Jan 6. Emphasis will be put on working Japan since many
Japanese HAMs missed the last activity in March due to the earthquake.
QSLs via bureau or direct to their homecalls.
See also: http://www.cy0dxpedition.com

DL, GERMANY
The German club of Duisburg-Huckingen (DOK L16) celebrates its
30th anniversary on May 7. Thus the special event station DL1630Y will
be activated in all modes on all bands in 2012. They will also hand out
the special DOK 30L16 from May 1 until July 31. QSL via bureau.
For more information see http://www.darc.de/l16

FY, FRENCH GUYANA, SA-020
F4ACR, F4CRE, F4DNU, F5OQK, F6AIM, FY5LH and maybe also other HAMs
will show up as TO5G from Ile Royale (SA-020) in CW/SSB/RTTY/PSK on
160m-6m from Jan 2-7. QSL via F5KDR. See also: http://f5kdr.free.fr

JD1/OG, OGASAWARA ISLAND, AS-031
Hiroyuki "Harry",JG7PSJ, will be QRV in CW, SSB and RTTY on 160m-10m signing JD1BMH from Chichijima (AS-031) between Dec 30 and Jan 7. QSL via JD1BMH (bureau) or JG7PSJ (direct).
See also: http://sapphire.es.tohoku.ac.jp/jd1bmh

K, USA
The Straight Key Century Club (SKCC) celebrates its 6th jubilee with the special event station K3Y in January.

OA, PERU
Members of the Radio Club Peruano (OA4O) are activating the special event station 4T100MP until Dec 31 to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the discovery of Machu Picchu. QSL via OA4O.
See also: http://www.oa4o.org

OZ, DENMARK
Denmark takes over the presidency of the European Union from Jan 1 until Jun 30, 2012. The special callsign 5P12EU will be put on the air during this period of time.
QSL request via OQRS, LoTW, eQSL, direct QSLs via OZ0J - it is not necessary to send your own QSL.
Logsearch and awards programme are available at: http://www.5p12eu.dk

T8, PALAU, OC-009
Eugene,RA0FF, will be QRV as T88OW from Koror (IOTA OC-009, Loc PJ77FI) on 160m-6m between Dec 30 and Jan 8. QSLs only direct via homecall.

JH0IXE (T8CW, until Jan 8), JA0FKK (T88XC, until Jan 7) and JL3TOG (T88KI, until Jan 6) chose Palau as their destination as well. They are working in CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK31 and JT65A on 160m-6m. Please be aware that power failures are common between 1100 UTC and 1500 UTC. QSLs via homecalls.

TR, GABON, AF-089
Thorbjorn,SM7RME, is hitting the airwaves in CW on 17m as TR0A/p from Port Gentil on Mandji Island (AF-089). The length of his stay is not known. QSL via SM7EHU.

UT, UKRAINE
Luc,UT/F5RAV, is working from Kiev until January 3. QSL via homecall.

VP9, BERMUDA ISLANDS, NA-005
Kei,KG2A/JJ1RJR, is QRV as VP9/KG2A from Bermuda (NA-005) until Jan 1. He runs 100 watts in SSB/CW. QSL via KG2A, unfortunately only direct.

YV, VENEZUELA
10 HAMs of the Radio Club of Venezuela will be active from the vicinity of the world's highest waterfall (Angel Falls, 979m high, loc. FJ85RX) from Jan 3-6. YX6AJ will be QRV in CW, SSB, digital modes and via satellites. QSL via YV5AJ.

AFRICAN TOUR
Sadao "Dan",JA1PBV, is on a one-month-trip through Africa. He has been

spotted as 9G5SI from Accra/Ghana in CW/SSB/digital modes on 40m-20m.
His next destinations are Togo (5V) from Dec 26 until Jan 2 and later
Benin (TY) until Jan 9. Callsigns are not known yet. QSL via JA1PBV.

CQ DX MARATHON
During the CQ DX Marathon you have to work as many DXCC entities and
CQ zones as possible in one year regardless of band and mode.
The scores for 2011 have to be claimed until January 31, 2012.
See also: http://dxmarathon.com

UBA INTERNATIONAL PREFIX HUNT
During the UBA International Prefix Hunt you have to work as many
prefixes as possible in one year:
http://www.uba.be/hf/contest-rules/rules-of-the-uba-international-prefix-hu
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DXCC: If the DXCC Desk did not accept your QSL of 5N6/YL2SW for DXCC credit
please send an e-mail to Bill (bmoore@arrl.org) asking for an update.
The QSLs are accepted now, as well as those of the E44PM DXpedition.

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Jan 1: SARTG New Year RTTY Contest
Jan 1: AGCW-DL Happy New Year Contest

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AF-014, CT3, Madeira: Mathieu,CT9/MJ0ASP, will stay on Madeira (DIP MA-001,
PIP MD-001, WLOTA 0053) from Dec 28 until Jan 7. He will work holiday
style only in CW on 40&#65533;10m. The logs will be uploaded to LoTW and eQ
SL.
QSL via MJ0ASP (bureau/direct/LoTW).

EU-128, DL, Schleswig-Holstein State East: Jan,DG8HJ/p, is going to work
from Fehmarn Island (GIA O-001, WLOTA 0637) from Jan 1-8.
QSL via homecall (bureau/direct).

NA-065, W7, Washington State North group: Rick,K6VVA/7, plans to activate
Vashon Island (WLOTA 2572, USi WA060S) from Jan 1-3 for the start of
the IOTA Marathon. Main emphasis will be put in CW on 40m-10m.
More information is available at: http://www.k6vva.com/iota/na065
QSL only via N6AWD (bureau/direct).

Lighthouse activities

AA4VK/CY0 LH 0758 Dec 28&#65533;Jan 6

N1SNB/CY0 LH 0758 Dec 28 Jan 6
WA4DAN/CY0 LH 0758 Dec 28 Jan 6
JD1BMH LH 2269 Dec 30 Jan 7
9M2MRS LH 2743 Dec 31 Feb 13
TO5G LH 0911 Jan 2 7

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Bandspots of the last 7 days
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40m
LY2011XMAS 7.021 2156Z via LY2QT
TM100SP 7.059 0836Z via F8DVD (B)

30m
EM20UARL 10.110 1550Z via UT7UT (L)
VQ9JC 10.107 1541Z via ND9M (B)
Z35M/p 10.119 1355Z (d), SOTA
ZA1G 10.114 1549Z (d)
5B/SM0JHF 10.106 1710Z via SM0JHF (B)
5N6/YL2SW 10.118 2040Z via YL2SW (B)

20m
EM0RSE 14.026 1139Z via UZ9RR (B)
J28AA 14.040 0617Z via E77E (B)
P29FR 14.180 0941Z via I2RFJ (B)
3D2AG/p 14.194 0709Z (d) Rotuma Island

17m
EA8/IK1PMR 18.082 1124Z via IK1PMR (d)
LU8EEM 18.155 0854Z (B)
T6BP 18.078 0906Z via 9A6AA (B)

15m
CE/VE7SV 21.020 1225Z via VE7WY (L), (d)
CE2/VE7SV 21.008 1202Z via VE7WY (L), (d)
DJ8QP/mm 21.019 1555Z near 9L
E44PM 21.026 0628Z via HB9IQB (B), (L)
EA1GIB/m 21.300 0949Z (B), EU-080
VE7IG/VE1 21.026 1515Z NA-010
5N6/YL2SW 21.002 1604Z via YL2SW (B)

12m
PP1CZ 24.893 1343Z
SV5BYR/5 24.970 0936Z (d)

10m
XE1FZE 28.515 1445Z (L)
5B/SM0JHF 28.019 0910Z via SM0JHF (B)
5N6/YL2SW 28.003 1004Z via YL2SW (B)
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(d) nly direct
(B) ureau ok
(L) oTW

(r) ureau QSL via e-mail request

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

09Dec-09Jan 3D2AG/p 1757
-Dec 3Y8XSA 1700/1717
Unknown 4J29RA.. 1758
-31Dec 4T100MP 1760 *
12Dec-10Mar 4S7KKG 1757
01Jan-30Jun 5P12EU 1760 *
19Dec-04Jan 5V7MA 1758
26Dec-02Jan 5V (JA1PBA) 1760 *
Unknown 5W0OJ 1757
-2014 5Z4EE 1742/1753
-Apr/12 5Z4RH ? 1674

-31 Mar 8J1ING 1751
-Sep/12 8J2NDP.. 1751
31Jan 8J4EQ 1754
10Dec-05Mar 8J6HAM 1757
-02Jan 8Q7LO 1760 *
-31Dec 9A11P 1723
-2012 9J2RI 1739/1742
31Dec-13Feb 9M2MRS 1760 *
Long term 9N1FE 1740
Soon 9Q1EK 1669
28Dec-04Jan 9U3TMM 1760 *
-Oct/14 9V1RM 1751
24Dec-07Jan 9X0PY 1759

-Sep/13 A52SV 1752
20Dec-10Jan A6/VE6LB 1758
29Dec-06Jan AA4VK/CY0.. 1760 *
-31Dec BP100 1684
-31Dec BV100 1684/1755/1756
-Mar/12 CE9VPM 1752
28Dec-07Jan CT9/MJ0ASP 1760 *
-31Dec CW5RV 1711
05Oct-31Dec CY0/VE1AWW 1748
-Jul/12 D2QV 1750
-Apr/12? D2SG 1748
01Jan-31Dec DL1630Y 1760 *
-Feb/13 DP0GVN 1756
-31Dec DP30OVW 1757

19Dec-31Dec E51AND 1758
-Mar/12 EA1CYK/p 1759
-28Dec EI2IM 1759
01Dec-28Feb EM0BSCC/mm 1756
-31Jan EM1000USK 1758

01Dec-30Dec EM20C.. 1756
-Mar/13 FH8NX 1747
-10Jan FR/F6CAM 1757
-Jul/12 FR8NE 1710
-31Dec GB40HMSB 1748
Dec GX4BJC/A.. 1757
-31Dec HB60LU 1711
-31Dec HG15IPA 1724
01Jan-31Dec HG200LST 1708
-09Jan HH2/HB9AMO 1756
Sep -2013 HI3/KL7JR 1745
NOW HL2/KC6STQ 1746

01Jan-31Dec IA7MM 1708
-Dec/12 ID9DXC.. 1755
-Feb/12 II0MZ 1755
-31Dec II0UI 1759
01Jan-31Dec II1ITA.. 1708
-31Dec II4LXV 1742
-2012 J28FJ 1739
-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul/12 J28RO 1683
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
24Dec-02Jan JD1BLY 1759
30Dec-07Jan JD1BMH 1760 *
Dec JG8NQJ/JD1 1739/1756
23Dec-05Jan JS6RRR.. 1759

01Jan-31Jan K3Y 1760 *
01Jan-03Jan K6VVA/7 1760 *
-Apr/12 KC4AAC 1757
-2013 KG4AJ 1756
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
-May/12 KH4/W5FJG 1728
Postponed KH5 1674/1705/1741
-31Dec LA200D 1713
-31Dec LM9L40Y 1748
Dec LZ1363PTT 1756
-31Dec LZ85R 1721
-Mar/12 OA/OE3NHW 1749
-31Dec ON30CLM 1753
-Feb/12 OR4TN 1754

Long term P29FM 1752
-Mar/12 P29FR 1742
-31Dec P41HQ 1758
26Dec-29Dec PA/ON5TC.. 1759
01Jan-31Dec PA30.. 1708
-Mar/Apr PJ4/PE1MAE 1753
01Dec-28Dec PG65ISWL 1756
-Dec RI1ANC 1708

-Sep/12 RI1FJA 1741
-Sep/12 RI1FJM 1741
NOW ST2AR 1745
Unknown SU9VB 1754

-Apr/12 T6BP 1746
-Jun/12 T6MO 1733
-08Jan T8CW.. 1760 *
30Dec-08Jan T88OW 1760 *
Unknown TL8ES 1755
-Jul/12 TN9SN 1755
02Jan-07Jan TO5G 1760 *
NOW TR0A/p 1760 *
03Jan-09Jan TY (JA1PBV) 1760 *
-31Dec UP20B.. 1757
-03Jan UT/F5RAV 1760 *

02Dec-16Jan V5/DJ2BQ.. 1756
21Dec-13Jan V5/DL1ZU 1759
-Nov/14 V73NS 1604/1668/1752
23Dec-30Dec VK6ARI 1759
-Dec/11 VK0BFG 1741
NOW VK0TH (Macq) 1748
-Feb/12 VP8DMH 1757
-01Jan VP9/KG2A 1760 *
28Oct-31Dec VP9/N1SV 1747
28Oct-31Dec VP9/N1SV 1751
-Jul/12 VQ9JC 1755
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
Unknown XV9DX.. 1756
03Jan-06Jan YX6AJ 1760 *
-31Dec ZL50GH 1711
Dec ZF2HZ 1756
-29Dec ZK2V.. 1749/1756
-2012 ZS7KX 1740/1749

* new or updated
.. and other calls

QSL information

A52ATV via JA4ATV (B)
A65CB via EB7DX (d)
AA4VK/CY0 via AA4VK (B)
AU50GOA via VU2SMS (d)
CT9/MJ0ASP via MJ0ASP (B), (L)
DG8HJ/p via DG8HJ (B)
DL1630Y via (B)
EA6QM via EA6AZ (B)
EA6/G3SZU via M0OXO (B/OQRS), (L)
EA8/DL8JJ/m via DL8JJ (B), (L)

EH2MDB via EA2URV (B)
GX4HRC/A via G3SVK (B), eQSL
HA40KKC via HA5MA (B), (L)
HS0ZGQ via DL1MJF (B)
II4LXV via IZ4OUL (B), eQSL
IQ3LE via IZ3DBA (B)
JD1BMH via JD1BMH (B), JG7PSJ (d)
K3Y via (L)
K6VVA/7 via N6AWD (B)
KP4MS via W4DN (B)
OL950CHEB via OK1MO (B)
ON44NUTS via ON4RCA (B)
OX3O via OZ5DE
PJ2/K8ND via K8ND (B)
PR2B via 6K5YPD (B)
RU0LL via IK2DUW (B)
SE2I via SA2BRN (B)
SP/DL6EBH via DL6EBH (B)
T8CW via JH0IXE (B)
T88KI via JL3TOG (B)
T88OW via RA0FF (d)
T88XC via JA0FKK
T88KI via JL3TOG (B)
TG9NX via N4FKZ (d)
TO5G via F5KDR (B)
TR0A/p via SM7EHU (B)
UP20BEW via UN7BEW (d)
UP20BI via UN7BI
UP20C via UN8CWN
UP20CAD via UN7CAD (B)
UP20CC via UN8CC (B)
UP20CH via UN7CH
UP20ECE via UN7ECE
UP20EDG via UN7EDG
UP20EME via UN9L
UP20GR via UN9GR
UP20GW via UN9GW (B)
UP20GX via UN8GX
UP20I via UN7IU
UP20IT via UN7IT
UP20IWA via UN8IWA
UP20JNN via UN8JNN
UP20KAZ via UN7ECA (L), (d), eQSL
UP20L via UN7LZ (B)
UP20LU via UN9LU (B), (L), eQSL
UP20LWZ via UN8LWZ
UP20M via UN7MAU
UP20MAC via UN7MAC
UP20N via UN7NFD

UP20NF via UN7NF
UT/F5RAV via F5RAV
UV0I via UR5IFX (B)
V25R via K6IF
V31NB via EB7DX (d)
V31QS via N4QS (B), (L)
V5/DH3WO via DH3WO (B)
V5/DJ2BQ via DJ2BQ (B)
V5/DJ2HD via DJ2HD (B)
V5/DK1CE via DH3WO (B)
V5/DL1ZU via DL1ZU (B)
V63KU via JA6NL (B)
V63QQ via K7JA
VE2CSI via M0URX (B also OQRS)
VP9/KG2A via KG2A (d
WA4DAN/CY0 via WA4DAN (B)
WH0AU via JP3WAU (B)
XR45EI via CE1SZZ (B)
YX6AJ via YV5AJ (B)
ZT1T via ZS1AFS (d)
3W7W via W3HNK (d)
4T100MP via OA4O (B)
5P12EU via OQRS, (L), eQSL, OZ0J (d)
5Q4B via OZ5EV (B), eQSL
5V7MA via F4FOO (B)
6Y5/N0YCM via N0YCM
8Q7LO via HB9SLO (B)
9G5SI via JA1PBV (B)
9M2MRS via PA0RRS (B), (L)
9U3TMM via IV3TMM (B)

(d) nly direct
(B) ureau ok
(*) ew QSL manager
(L) ogbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) -mail request

QSLs arrived direct: B3C (BA4EG), OA1F, PJ2/DL1THM, PJ2/DM3HZN, PJ7/DB4BJ,
RI1ANC (RN1ON), YB1ALL, 3XY1D (DL7UFR), 5X1NH

QSLs arrived bureau: AH0F (JA2NQG), P29VLR (SM6CVX), PJ2/PA7JWC,
W7TK (OK1ASJ), 5V7CC (DL9MBI), 9K2F (9K2HN),
9M2MRS (PA0RRS), 9V1SV, 9V1VV

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NG3K, ON7IVO, OZ0J/5Q2T and others.

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http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxmb/2011

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1220. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 19 - 25 December 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-27 22:30:05 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20111227223001.D5BAA33C9B@panix2.panix.com>
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Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.info

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:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2011 Dec 27 1952 UTC
# Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
# http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
#
# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
#
Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
19 - 25 December 2011

Solar activity was at very low levels on 19 December and increased
to low levels from 20-24 December, and finally ending the period (25
December) at moderate levels. Region 1376 (N19, L = 308, class/area
Dko/440 on 22 December) was the most active group with frequent B-
and C-class flare production until 25 December when new Region 1387
(S22, L = 226, class/area Dai/440 on 22 December) began producing
multiple C-class flares and one M-class flare. On 22 December at
0208 UTC, Region 1381 (S18, L = 263, class/area Dai/180 on 22
December) produced a C5/Sf flare associated with weak Types II and
IV radio sweeps and a faint CME, determined to be non-geoeffective.
Region 1386 (S17, L = 147, class/area Esi/200 on 26 December)
produced a C5/Sf flare at 24/0839 UTC. Region 1376 produced a
long-duration C4 flare on the west limb at 24/1236 UTC associated
with a non-Earth-directed CME. On 25 December at 1816 UTC, Region
1387 produced an M4/1N flare that was accompanied by Type II
(1019km/s) and Type IV radio emissions.

A slight proton enhancement was observed at geosynchronous orbit on
25 December and achieved a max flux of 3 pfu at 26/0135 UTC.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
normal levels.

The geomagnetic field was at predominately quiet levels during most
of the period.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
28 December - 23 January 2012

Solar activity is expected to be at low to moderate levels until 31
December when Region 1387 is forecast to rotate off the disk.
Activity is expected to return to low levels with a slight chance
for isolated M-class activity for the remainder of the period.
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No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at normal to moderate levels during the period.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be at active levels from 28-29 December due to CME arrivals. Diminishing effects from said CME’s are expected to bring geomagnetic field activity to unsettled levels on 30 December. Mostly quiet conditions are predicted on 31 December, 3-4 and 7-23 January. Activity is expected to be at predominately quiet to unsettled levels 1-2 and 5-6 January due to recurrent coronal hole high speed streams.

1221. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #1042.1

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-28 22:29:27 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <7483.45996.qm@smtp106.sbc.mail.mud.yahoo.com>
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The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Special Bulletin No. 1042.1
BID: $OPDX.1042.1
December 28, 2011
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)
Relayed from Murfreesboro, TN

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network G3SXW, K3LR, LU9ESD, N7NG and WA4DAN for the following DX information.

CY0, SABLE ISLAND (Update). Murray, WA4DAN, sent the following:
"Greetings From Halifax, Nova Scotia!
Ron AA4VK, and Murray WA4DAN, arrived safely in Halifax, Nova Scotia on Tuesday, Dec 27th, around noon local time (AST) in preparation for the Sable Island DXpedition. All gear appears to have arrived safely at the Maritime Air Charter terminal. We drove over to Maritime Air later in the afternoon and delivered additional gear. We purchased additional food items and have those boxed and ready to load onto the plane just before the flight.
The weather is not looking good for a flight on Wednesday, Dec 28th. VFR conditions must exist at both Halifax and Sable Island for the flight to occur. Ceiling heights are critical as well as wind and wind direction. It looks like the ceiling heights will be below the criteria for a flight. It also appears that the wind speed will be above the limits. Al Wilson, the current Officer-in-Charge on Sable, will be checking the beach landing conditions at first light on Wednesday morning. Currently, we are most concerned with the wind direction and the possibility that the strong winds will push water onto the sand 'runway'.
The CY0 DXpedition team has full confidence in the OIC on Sable and Maritime Air to make the correct GO/NO GO call. These are really good people to work with and are true professionals. If we are unable to make it to Sable on Wednesday, the same sequence of events will take place on Thursday in attempting a flight.
This will probably be the final e-mail notification before the flight. Please check our website for the latest updates. <www.cy0dxpedition.com>

Thanks and 73,
Ron AA4VK

Murray WA4DAN"

Update afternoon Wednesday, December 28th:
"Hi Everyone-
We just got an update from Al Wilson, the Officer-in-Charge on
Sable Island. Waves this afternoon and evening will approach levels
that may breach the dunes and cause significant flooding of the landing
area. Al will do a visual observation tomorrow morning at 1200Z.
We met with Debbie, our pilot with Maritime Air this morning. We
did a weather assessment for the period Wednesday - Friday.
The winds are very strong in Halifax. It is very difficult to walk
outside with this strong winter gale. Rain and snow are blowing side-
ways! A commercial airline crew is staying at our hotel and they commented
on how rough it was even in a large airliner. No doubt the right call
was made today.
Since we have a lot of free time, we will keep everyone posted.
<www.cy0dxpedition.com>
73,
Ron AA4VK
Murray WA4DAN"

HK0, MALPELO ISLAND (HK0NA - The advanced team arrives at Malpelo).
The following was provided by Manu, LU9ESD: "Four members of the team
(HK1N, HK1T, HK6F and HK1MW) has departed from the Pier of the Navy
Base BAHIA MALAGA aboard the Patrol Boat JOSE MARIA PALAS on Dec 12.
The team arrives safe to Malpelo today at 1400z.
The target of this advanced team called THE FANTASTIC FOUR is to set
up all the 11 stations, in 2 camps, wireless network and safety stuff
in order to have everything ready when the main group arrive on Jan 21,
2012. To this 4 brave mens who are going to spend 43 days on the island
and have sacrifice the Holidays away from his families, we want to say
our admiration and gratitude.
We still need the help of the HAM community to achieve the sucess of
this difficult and expensive DX-pedition.
Please visit: <www.hk0na.com>
We appreciate your help."

2012 DXU (Press Release). Roger/G3SXW and Wayne/N7NG provided the following:
DX University
First Session: The Holiday Inn, Visalia, California
Friday 20 April, 2012

Press Release Nr 1
For Immediate Release
Enhance your DXing adventure!At last, here is your opportunity to
directly benefit from the skills and experience of some of the world's
best-known DXers.
We all know about the wonderful success of Contest University (CTU),
developed in recent years by K3LR and others, and rolled out inter-
nationally. Over 1,000 contesters have attended. DX University (DXU) is
the twin, providing high-caliber offerings for beginning and experienced

DXers alike.
The all-day program will take place on the Friday of Visalia weekend, 20th April 2012. Among the lecturers are AA7A, G3SXW, K4UEE, K9LA, N7NG, W3UR, W6OAT, W9KNI and XE1KK, many of whom are inductees of the CQ DX Hall of Fame. Learn the secrets of operating techniques for working DX, optimizing stations & antennas for DXing, about propagation, information sources, awards, and ethics, remote operating, QSLing and much more. You will also get the DXpeditioner's view of how DXers should operate to get into the log.
Student places are limited. The early registration fee is only 50 USDs, including lunch and breaks. Sign up beginning January 2, 2012 at: <www.dxuniversity.com>
Further information from Wayne Mills, N7NG@arrl.net or Roger Western, G3SXW@btinternet.com
Main Sponsor -- Elecraft
DX University - International DX Convention,
Visalia, California - April 20 2012

2012 DAYTON CTU. Tim Duffy, K3LR, states, "I am pleased to announce that early bird registration (lowest fee until Jan. 31, 2012) is now open for 2012 Dayton Contest University ("CTU") to be held on May 17, 2012, at the Crowne Plaza in Dayton, Ohio.
Five different countries hosted CTU in 2011. USA, Germany, Italy, England and the newest CTU in Brazil. Nearly 1000 students attended these five CTUs with more than 50 Professors sharing their contest experience.
Contest University started as a small gathering by the Yankee Clipper Contest Club (KC1F & others) many years ago. Then the Potomac Valley Radio Club held a Contesting Seminar in 2005. Dayton CTU started in 2007. It is truly amazing to be a part of the explosive growth in contest knowledge sharing.
2012 will be the sixth year for CTU Dayton. The 2012 topics are listed on the CTU web site at: http://contestuniversity.com
There are several excellent 2012 CTU Professor's that will be presenting for the first time this year - N6TR, K3NA, K7NV, XE1KK, W5WZ and K2RD. Also past Professors - who will give new papers this year are W3LPL, K1DG, W0YK, NC0B, W5ZN, W8WWV, K3LR and N6TV.
Details and early bird discounted registration information is on the web site at: http://contestuniversity.com
Important - as mentioned at CTU Dayton last year - if you want to sign up for CTU 2012 Dayton and you have given (or will give by Dayton 2012) a talk about Amateur Radio Contesting to any club, hamfest or group since May 20, 2011 - you qualify for a $10.00 registration fee discount. Please choose the 'Registration w/Discount' option above to get the $10.00 discount. Spreading the word about contesting is lots of fun and can save you money!
Thanks to all of the CTU sponsors for making CTU possible. Icom America, Superbertha.com, DX Engineering, CQ Magazine and INRAD. Special thanks to Scott, KA9FOX from QTH.com for hosting and constructing the CTU web site.
Happy New Year and Very 73,
Tim K3LR"

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1222. ** MMMonVHF Newsletter / No.1 - WEEK 52/2011 **

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-29 20:36:09 UTC
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Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our lastet NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2011-12-29
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter, once a week (thursday)
from now on - if any special activities will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further detail please be so kind and watch our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you vy welcome for any
input and we do hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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** Editor change at the NEWSLETTER of Make More Miles **

After about more or less 10-15 years Guido, DL8EBW, who did spread
out the VHF News in more or less regular ways like to inform you
about a change of the TEAM and the Newsletter - now the time have
come that some fresh wind will come to the Newsletter! From begin
of the year 2012 Lins, PA3CMC will be taking over that part together
with Frank PA4EME - They will have much more time for the
hobby nower days than Guido and so please welcome their work. The
people who have read the NL will not find too much different
because both are excellent radio amateur and experiecend on
the VHF and UHF bands - they will have much more time for the
hobby nower days than Guido and so please welcome his work ...
Your NEWS and INFO are still very welcome and the way you spread
it will be not be changed: >>> www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php
INPUT of VHF-ACTIVITIES: >>> www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php
INPUT of UPDATES to NEWS: >>> www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuserup.php
Thanks in advance and have a good start into the new year 2012
SOURCE: Guido, DL8EBW, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

** METEORSCATTER in January 2012 **

Highlight of new year is as usual Quadrantids shower. Its maximum
is expected to occur on January 4th, 07h 20m UT, with ZHR = 120 hr-1
Quadrantids maximum is typically rather sharp, with ZHR varying in
the range 60-200 hr-1. Have a look to shower predictions for
January 2012 - (together with some tips about Quadrantids and an

overview of 2011 Geminids) at our MMM MS-Propagationpage:
www.MMMonVHF.de/ms.php . SOURCE: Massimo, IV3NDC MMMonVHF Team

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** HS0AC - Rig's submerged during century flood in HS **

The Radio Amateur Society of Thailand Under the Patronage of His
Majesty the King - HS1A - The clubstation of RAST ï¿½ HS0AC ï¿½ was
submerged by 2m of waters during the previous century flood ï¿½ which
was in the media worldwide - I believe ï¿½ some pictures of the club
station after the water tide was gone ï¿½ www.qsl.net/RAST or RAST
forum.com RAST and HS0AC lost equipment worth around 200,000 USD
(150.000 Euro) incl. our mainstation rig FT-1000 MK Mark V ï¿½ which
is believed will not be able to be repaired. RAST settle up an
account for donations to help the clubstation getting back on air
soon. Donations could be done directly to the club or via paypal
to donate@rast.or.th There is also a EME activation ï¿½E2Eï¿½ planned
during April to help to raise some funds for HS0AC - have a look:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=4080 (Info from DL2LAH)
ï¿½ further details soon ï¿½ GD DX ï¿½ hopefully from HS0AC soon...
SOURCE: 73 de HS0ZFZ - Swen ï¿½ HS0AC qsl manager direct to MMMonVHF

** MMMonVHF Trophy: "Best VHF DX Expedition" of the Year 2011 *

The MMMonVHF VHF-DX-Portal is happy to invite all VHF enthusiasts
and VHF-DX'ers to join the new survey to identify the "The Best
VHF DX Expedition of the Year 2011". The aim of the survey is to
thank the very hard efforts of those who organized and carried out
so many nice expeditions and trips all around the world on the VHF
bands in the past year 2011. Participation period: 01. January to
31 December - Voting period: 01. January 2012 - 21. January 2012 :
Persons or Groups who organized and carried out some kind of exped.
in the 144 MHz band segment via Meteor Scatter or Earth-Moon-Earth
propagation. Expeditions / Activities have had to be spread out on
the VHF-DX-Portal Make More Miles on VHF in the year 2011 and must
have found their way into the "REVIEW" section of MMMonVHF.
You will be able to vote by selecting a maximum of 5 expeditions
alltogether in TWO categories (MS and EME) by ticking the box in
front of the expeditions. The voting page will be available by
direct link at http://www.mmmonvhf.de/voting.php from up 1 st of
January 2012 until 21 st of January 2012. Results in February 2012.
SOURCE: Jani, HA5CRX, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: HV ; Square: JN61 ; Start: 2011-12-26 **
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HV0A (JN61FV) will be QRV in MS until Jan. 5th 2012
HVoA has been QRV for about 1.5 hrs on Dec 26th for testing.
Several stations were worked: DF2ZC, PA1GYS, SP3VSC, DL1YMK.
Stations heard during test: PA3FPQ, OK1TEH, ON7EH, PA4EME, DK5OX,
ES6RO, PA2CHR, PA0PVW. The stations heard during this test will
be "prefered" in the next days. Activity will be irregular so
keep a good eye on the band. LATEST NEWS by Sergio, IKoFTA dated
2011-12-28: IK0FTA Sergio announced on ON4KST-chat that HV0A will
be QRV time to time in the period Dec 27th 2011 untill Jan 5th 2012
from Vatican City. 1 Kw in 8 el Yagi. QSL-Info: All 2m qso's with
HV0A will be confirmed automatically - via LOTW - after mid January
2012 or so. Traditionals QSLs can be required ONLY DIRECT to the
manager: IK0FVC via CBA. NOTE: I don't have blank qsl cards of HV0A
so PSE don't send your request to me. 73 Sergio, ik0fta.
SOURCE: Sergio, IK0FTA, via PA4EME to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: FG ; Square: FK96 ; Start: 2011-12-28 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=4041

LATEST NEWS from Phil, F1DUZ, dated 2011-12-28: Arrived on site.
All seems fine. Assembling the setup - We will be ready soon - 73
MAIN NEWS: It will be an only 70cm activity, the first one in FG.
We will use JT65B but also CW, with the hope that some big guns will
I be able to copy us in this mode. The setup: FT897D LNA SP7000
Solid state amplifier 300w 2 x 17 elements DK7ZB More infos will
follow. SOURCE: tnx to Phil, F1DUZ, direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** LATEST HK0NA News **

Four members from the Theam (HK1N,HK1T,HK6F AND HK1MW) has
departed from the Pier of the Navy Base BAHIA MALAGA aboard the
Patrol Boat JOSE MARIA PALAS on 26-12 2011. The target of this
advanced team called THE FANTASTIC FOUR is to set up all the 11
stations, the 2 camps and wireless network in order to have every-
thing ready when the main group arrive on Jan 21 2012. To this 4
Brave mans who are going to spend more than 40 days on the island
and have sacrfice the Holidays away from his families, we have to
express our admiration and gratitude ...
SOURCE: Mediterraneo Dx Club

** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 2359 UTC ...

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The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF - Newsletter Credits & Info
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Our Newsletter is compiled from the input of the USER of the
VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF and as well by a lot of free usable
HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats
like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USER who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

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IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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1223. [RAC-Bulletin] Looking for Amateur Radio Operators for the Canadian Ski Marathon 2012 - February 11-12, 2012, in Western Quebec/Ottawa Valley

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-30 05:40:58 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4EFD4EA9.4030602@rac.ca>
Source record: 3813
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

>Subject: Looking for Amateur Radio Operators for the Canadian Ski Marathon 2012 - February 11-12, 2012 in Western Quebec/Ottawa Valley 2011-12-29

The Canadian Ski Marathon will be held on February 11-12, 2012 and the group that organizing radio communications is looking for volunteers right now. Contact Harold Hamilton, VA3UNK for more information. Here is the information from Harold as received by me on Thursday morning:

>Subject: Looking for Amateur Radio Operators for the Canadian Ski Marathon 2012 ??? February 11-12, 2012 in Western Quebec/Ottawa Valley
>From: Harold Hamilton, VA3UNK

I would appreciate it if you would help me by spreading the word throughout your local ham radio communities. We are looking for radio operators.

Once again the Canadian Ski Marathon (CSM) is spooling up. This year is the 46th anniversary for the CSM. Radio is a few years behind that.

The CSM depends on ham radio volunteers to provide important and timely safety and logistical communication for the benefit of the skiers. The amateur radio CSM web page (http://www.radio-1.ca/) is up and running with 2012 information. The event runs between Buckingham and Lachute (eastbound) in western Quebec, snow or shine.

If you would like to volunteer this year, please email Harold VA3UNK (radio1@admin2.ca). Although I can't promise anything, assignment requests are generally first-come, first-served.

Please join me the second weekend in February (11th-12th) and help make 39th our best year yet!

Bye for now,

Harold VA3UNK

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1224. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1794 - December 30 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-30 10:00:13 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20111230100004.499E233C5F@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3814
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1794 - December 30 2011

Please note that this is an extended year end newscast and contains three breaks.

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1794 with a release date of Friday, December 30th, 2011 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Amateur radio is called out as a North Sea winter storm hits Norway and a tropical storm floods the Philippines; the Australian government gives its blessing to CODEC 2; hams world-wide are asked to assist in the rebuilding of flood ravaged Thai station HS0AC; Kids Day 2012 is coming and a video guide to help new hams make their first contact over a repeater. All this and more on the final Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report of 2011 coming your way right now.

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RESCUE RADIO: HAMS CALLED OUT AS NORTH SEA STORM HITS NORWAY

A powerful North Sea storm that hit Norway and northern Sweden on December 25th and 26th knocked out power lines, halted transportation and isolated some communities from the rest of the world. And that's when ham radio was called out as part of an effort to create a temporary communications network. Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, is in the newsroom with more:

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Reporting via QRZ.com, LA9XSA, in Overhalla, Norway, said that amateur radio operators and the Norwegian military had been called up to provide backup communications. This as his nation coped with its damaged infrastructure and communications failures following the storm.

Posting a relay from LA5FRA; LA9XSA said that 3.715 MHz on 80 meters was the first frequency to have been activated. On 160 meters that 1.902 MHz was viewed as an alternative. He also noted that LE1AE was net control on 80 and 160 meters until these nets secured operation on Wednesday, December 28th.

LA9XSA's post also said that during the emergency the regional LA5OR repeater had been put in linked operation. On it LE1AB had served as the net control.

Also, the Norwegian Radio Relay League's emergency communication service did put out a clear frequency request. It asked other radio amateurs to please avoid using any frequencies where storm related communications had been ongoing.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in Los Angeles.

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LA9XSA noted that the worst communication emergency reported had been in the municipality of Vagsoy (PRON: VAY GA SOY). There the mayor was reported to have been using the satellite phone on board a fishing boat to communicate with the outside world. (LA9XSA, QRZ.com, AFP, Shanghai Daily, others)

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RESCUE RADIO: TROPICAL STORM HITS THE PHILIPPINES

The search for survivors continues in the Philippines following flooding and devastation brought on by severe Tropical Storm that hit on December 16th. Almost 1500 people are now known to have died in flash floods that struck the southern part of that nation. Hundreds more are still missing.

According to Jim Linton, VK3PC, local hams in the disaster area are now doing their best to help out with relief efforts. Linton, who is the Chairman of the I-A-R-U Region 3 Disaster Communication Committee, reports that that the storm triggered massive flooding in the D-U-9 call district.

Meantime, Eddie Valdez, DU1EV, says that prior to the storm hitting the Philippines the group known as Ham Emergency Radio Operators activated response nets on 40 and 2 meters but no specific frequencies were mentioned.

Also, as of airtime there has not been any call for protected frequencies coming from any Filipino ham radio emergency response group or that nations telecommunications regulatory agency.

There is also speculation that some radio amateurs in the devastated areas who might want to lend assistance could themselves be victims of the flooding.

The Red Cross reports the storm swept away entire coastal villages as it dumped heavy rain triggering mud slides. It also flooded a river that sent muddy water from nearby mountains that coated streets. Some 47,000 people are believed to be in evacuation centers at this time. (VK3PC, DU1EV, IARU-R3, BBC, others)

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RESCUE RADIO: CHANGING TIMES - ARMY MARS PHASING OUT WINLINK

The Department of the Army has announced that it has begun to take steps to phase out the use of the WINLINK System. This is because of possible security breaches that might be incurred in the Internet aspect of transmissions using the mode. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, has more:

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According to the December 21st ARRL ARES E-Letter, the military chain of command that governs Army MARS feels that the Internet portion of WINLKINK leaves the system significantly open to the possibility of intrusion. To deal with this it plans to replace WINLINK with a newer military e-mail system that has extensive protection against any form of hacking or any other form of incursion.

To accomplish this, Army MARS will be expanding on the concept of a national network that is voice, RTTY and PACTOR capable under MIL-STD 110A. It says that PACTOR will become even more important as the new areas of focus will be peer to peer and keyboard to keyboard PACTOR based communications.

Amateur modes such as MT-63, OLIVIA, and WINMOR, which cannot be used by the military, will be eventually phased out as well.

The ultimate goal of this change will be to help Army MARS return to what it is really supposed to be. That of a radio-only system to relay long haul traffic as it has done very successfully in the past.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, in Los Angeles.

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While these changes will affect Army MARS nationally, it is not abandoning state and local served agencies. Army MARS says that it is moving away from providing them a winlink.org e-mail address. (ARRL ARES E-Letter)

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RADIO LAW: AUSTRAILIA SAYS OK ON CODEC 2 INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

An emerging technical development is safe down-under. This with word from David Rowe, VK5DGR, that he has received confirmation that the amateur radio Codec 2 project is not controlled under the Australia's Defense Strategic Goods List.

For those of you not aware, Codec 2 is an open source low bit rate speech codec designed for communications quality audio at 2400 bits per second and below. Applications include low bandwidth HF and VHF digital radio and VoIP trunking.

Concerns had been raised that Codec 2 might be subject to Australian government restrictions. As reported in the past, some countries impose severe limitations on certain aspects of amateur radio

international cooperation in the area of technical experimentation. A good example is that of the amateur radio satellite community which has been negatively affected by United States Federal Government International Traffic in Arms Regulations. These threaten radio amateurs with heavy fines or even jail sentences if they collaborate with other radio hams in the rest of the world on certain aspects of ham radio satellite projects. It was feared Codec 2 might also be affected.

Now however, Rowe writes on the Codec 2 reflector that he has received an e-mail from the Australian agency that deals with export control. It says that the specifications of CODEC 2 have been assessed as not controlled under the that nations Defense Strategic Goods List. Also that a Control Status Advice stating this will be released shortly.

While this clears the way for Australian cooperation on the CODEC 2 project it also begs the question of what other nations might decide to place CODEC 2 under its strategically prohibited information exchange list. Ultimately, the amateur radio community in every nation involved in CODEC 2 and other technical development projects may have to sort this out on a case by case basis. More about CODEC 2 is on line at codec2.org. (Southgate, others)

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BREAK 1

Getting the word out 52 weeks a year, every year, since 1976, we are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the 4Z5AB Echo-Link VHF gateway serving Rechovot, Israel.

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RADIO RULES: VK ADVANCED HAMS GRANTED LIMITED 1 KW OPERATION

Still in V-K land, word that some hams may soon be able to join the kilowatt power out club. Michael Owen, VK3KI, is the President off the wireless Institute of Australia:

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"At long last, and after ongoing representations by the WIA we seem to be getting closer to Advanced licensees being allowed transmit power limits comparable to other countries.

"The ACMA has advised the WIA that it intends to accede to the WIA's request that Advanced licensees may apply for a variation of their licence to permit higher power from a fixed location on a trial basis from 1 March 2012. The ACMA has stressed to the WIA that it remains concerned about the risk of interference from the use of higher power.

"At the end of 12 months the position will be reviewed by the ACMA.

"The ACMA has adopted this approach to enable any particular difficulties to be identified and satisfactory solutions found to, in the words of the ACMA, `enable the trial to progress to appropriate ongoing arrangements from early 2013.' "

"This is Michael Owen, VK3KI."
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The higher power limits will only be permitted on the amateur High Frequency bands where the amateur service holds a primary status for those allocations. The Wireless Institute of Australia has however requested that the band 7100 to 7200 kHz be also included and at airtime this is being considered, (WIA News)

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RESCUE RADIO: DONATIONS AND COORDINATION ASSISTANCE NEEDED TO HELP REBUILD RAST STATION DEVASTATED BY FLOODING

Ham radio groups from around the world are being asked to assist the Radio Amateur Society of Thailand which is seeking help to rebuild its headquarters station, HS0AC. This following massive flooding that recently hit that nation not long ago. Amateur Radio Newsline's Don Carlson, KQ6FM, has the details:

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According to Dick Flanagan, K7VC, in Minden, Nevada, there have already several offers of equipment to the Radio Amateur Society of Thailand from members of the Northern California Contest Club. Also Rusty Epps, W6OAT, reports that the Yasme Foundation sent the Radio Amateur Society of Thailand a $2,000 donation to assist in the HS0AC rebuilding effort. But that will be only the beginning of what's required to bring the station back on the air.

Flanagan says that what is probably needed most right now is someone or some organization to coordinate the assistance effort, solicit the offers and manage the shipping and paperwork. He speculates that perhaps that administrative role could be taken on as a cooperative effort between the Northern California Contest Club, the Northern California DX Club, the International DX Association and perhaps the ARRL.

K7VC notes that this would be a wonderful way for individuals and clubs to express their holiday feelings of generosity to our fellow hams in need, He adds that we can use this opportunity to demonstrate to our Thai ham radio brothers and sisters what a coordinated effort can do to help them rebuild their wonderful station. Those with suggestions can contact Dick Flanagan by e-mail to dick (at) k7vc (dot) com.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, Im Don Carlson, KQ6FM, in Reno.

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Photos of the devastation that the flooding brought to HS0AC at on-line at www.qsl.net/rast. (K7VC, ARNewsline, others)

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RADIO EDUCATION: ANRITSU DONATES USED HT'S TO NORCAL BSA

The Anritsu Company has donated 26 handheld radios to the Boy Scouts of America that will be used by Boy Scouts seeking to get involved with amateur radio and earn their Radio Merit Badge. The donation made possible by an upgrade to Anritsu's onsite two-way radio system and is part of Anritsu's on-going global commitment to foster wireless technology education and support worthy community organizations.

Don Mulder, is Anritsu Senior Vice President and General Manager of the Microwave Measurements Division. He says that the Boy Scouts of America have a strong legacy of teaching youth. He notes that scouts who were first exposed to radio communications during their pursuit of a Radio Merit Badge have gone on to make numerous contributions in the fields of science and engineering.

Mulder said that the company's donation is a sign of our appreciation to the work done by the Boy Scouts, as well as an investment in an organization that will continue to help inspire future engineers.

BearCom, a nationwide wireless equipment dealer and integrator who worked with Anritsu to complete the onsite radio system upgrade, also participated in the donation, which was given to the Boy Scouts of America Santa Clara County California Council. Scout leaders and volunteers who are amateur radio operators will modify the handheld radios for use on amateur radio bands, so that scouts may use them during events and camps held by the Santa Clara County Council.

David Witkowski, W6DTW, led the project at Anritsu to upgrade their onsite radio system to the MotoTRBO system. He said that one of his goals from the onset was to get the old FM radios donated to the Boy Scouts of America for use by scouts seeking to obtain their Radio Merit Badge. W6DTW says that thanks to Anritsu executives and help from BearCom, it all became a reality. (Anritsu, W6DTW)

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RADIO LAW: FCC SAYS NO TO VANITY CALL REQUEST

The FCC has affirmed an earlier decision in which it has refused to permit Wesley M. Mays, N5HK, of Coppell, Texas, to make another callsign change.

Back on March 17, 2011, Mays was issued an amateur station license with sequential call sign AE5XC. On April 4, 2011, Mays filed a vanity call sign application to modify his license. The application was granted and on April 22nd his license was modified to list call sign WM2W.

On June 1, 2011, Mays filed another vanity call sign application to modify his license to either N5HK or W5LH. Then on June 14, 2011, Mays

filed yet another vanity call sign application to modify his license to list call sign N5TD. The earlier application was granted and his license was modified to list call sign N5HK on June 21st.

On July 2nd, Mays application for call sign N5TD was dismissed as defective. A few weeks later on July 11, 2011, Mays requested reconsideration of the dismissal. He argued that the dismissal was improper because the application for call sign N5TD was filed appropriately and in good faith. He then requested that the selection process for call sign N5TD be reopened.

But in its December 22nd order turning away Mays motion for reconsideration the FCC concluded that the application was properly dismissed. It noted that a vanity call sign application is an application to modify an amateur radio station license. As such Section 97.19(d)(1) of the Commission's Rules states, among other things, that the applicant must request that the call sign shown on the license grant be vacated and provide a list of up to 25 call signs in order of preference. It said that at the time of Mays application requesting call sign N5TD was processed, that he was licensed under call sign N5HK and that the call sign on the application, WM2W, was no longer the call sign shown on the license grant. (FCC)

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BREAK 2

News never stops and neither do we. From the United States of America, we are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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HAM HAPPENINGS: SKN ON OSCAR 2012 DEDICATED TO W1JSM

Straight Key Night on OSCAR takes place January 1st 2012 from 0000 to 2400 UTC. As always, Straight Key Night on OSCAR is simple and informal. Just operate CW through one or more satellites using a straight hand key.

There is no need to send in a log, but all participants are encouraged to nominate someone they worked for Best Fist. Send your nomination to w2rs (at) amsat (dot) org. A list of those nominated will appear in the Amsat News Service in early February.

By the way: This year's Straight Key Night on OSCAR is dedicated to the memory of Don Brown, W1JSM. Brown who passed away in 2011 at age 90 was a well known longtime VHF/UHF and satellite operator. (ANS)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: KIDS DAY OPERATING EVENT: JAN. 8 2012

The first of two Kids Day operating events for 2012 takes place on Sunday January 8th. Kids Day is a twice yearly on-the-air happening to encourage young people, licensed or not, to learn about our wonderful world of amateur radio and the fun it has to offer.

Kids Day is not a contest. Rather, it is a way to tell young people worldwide about the magic and mystery of two way hobby radio communications. To accomplish this, amateur radio stations are being asked to devote this short time window to promote both terrestrial and satellite operations to youngsters by providing a place to make contacts with other Kids Day stations around the world.

More information about Kids Day is on-line at www.arrl.org/kids-day. And many of us from Amateur Radio Newsline hope to be on the air to assist in making this first Kids Day of 2012 as big of a success as is possible. We hope to talk to you and the kids at your stations, during the event. (Various)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: CADXA TO USE K7UGA CALL FOR ARIZONA CENTENNIAL

The Central Arizona DX Association will operate special event station K7UGA the week of February 13th to the 19th. This, in celebration of the Arizona Centennial.

During this time Individual club members will be operating from their home stations using the K7UGA call. However, only special operating locations in Tucson, Prescott and Phoenix will be on the air on Tuesday, February 14th celebrating the states actual 100th anniversary.

Operations will be on all 160 through 2 Meters using SSB, CW, RTTY, PSK31 and satellite modes. QSL requests with an self addressed stamped envelope go to Bob Davies, K7BHM, 1623 North Los Altos Ct. Chandler, Arizona, 85224.

And less we forget: If the call letters being used for this commemorative operation seem a bit familiar to you its because for many years that call belonged to Arizona's native son; the later United States Senator Barry M. Goldwater, K7UGA. (CADXA)

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HAM RADIO BUSINESS: YAESU MUSEN NAME TO BE REACTIVATED JAN. 1

Yaesu will soon be Yaesu once again. In a letter from Vertex-Standard president Jun Hasegawa dated January 27th, it was announced that that after four years of operating as a joint venture with Motorola, it has been decided to transfer the Vertex Standard Land Mobile Radio business to Motorola and for his company to focus on amateur, marine and air-band communications gear.

In his letter, Mr. Hasegawa says that the company name will revert to Yaesu Musen. This he says is a name business partners have been familiar with for over 50 years. He goes on to say that he believes that the amateur radio community will be delighted to once again see this famous name active.

There will be no staff or operational changes at the United States based facilities located in Cypress, California. The effective date for this reorganization will be January 1, 2012. (Yaesu)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: ICOM ANNOUNCES D-STAR QDO PARTY WINNERS

Icom has announced the 15 lucky winners of the recent D-STAR QSO Party. Each winner will receive an ID-31E UHF Digital D-STAR transceiver.

In its announcement Icom says that it hopes many organizations will host D-Star contests and QSO Parties in the future. It adds that it anticipates many similar events being held and bringing what it calls a bright future for D-Star and all D-Star operators around the globe.

You can see if you are among the winners of an ID-31E transceiver by taking your web browser to tinyurl.com/7ee7jrg. (Icom)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: IARU REGION 1 MEDAL AWARDED TO DJ9KR

Some names in the news. First up is Ulrich Bihlmayer, DJ9KR, whom the IARU Region 1 Executive Committee has awarded its Region 1 Medal. This, for his longtime and outstanding work in the IARU Monitoring Service.

DJ9KR joined IARU Monitoring Service in 1975 and is the present coordinator of Deutscher Amateur adio Club's intruder monitoring operation. He also serves as vice-chairman of the Region 1 IARU Monitoring Service's Working Group.

Presentation of the medal will take place at Ham Radio 2012 in Friedrichshafen, Germany, next spring. (IARU Region 1 News)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: THE DIY MAGIC OF AMATEUR RADIO ON HAM NATION JAN 3

And a reminder the producer, director and writher of the new ARRL motivational video titled "The DIY Magic of Amateur Radio" will be guests of Bob Heil, K9EID, and Gordon West, WB6NOA, on the January 3rd edition of the netcast Ham Nation. Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, Dave Bell, W6AQ, and Henry Feinberg, K2SSQ, will be there live to host a screening of the video as well as to give you a behind the scenes look at how it was conceived and put together.

Ham Nation airs live every Tuesday night at 9 P.M. Eastern, 6 P.M. Pacific on Leo LaPorte's TWIT dot TV Internet network. To tune in just take your web browser to live.twit.tv. If you miss the live show, it

will be available for download or screening about 24 hours later at twit.tv/HN.

The video is also available right now for on-line screening on YouTube at tinyurl.com/arrl-diy-movie. You can also watch it or download it at www.arrl.org/DIY. (ARNewsline(tm))

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: STUDENT CUBESATS SET FOR VEGA LAUNCH

The first student built amateur radio CubeSats to be sponsored by European Space Agency's Education Office have passed their Acceptance Review and have been deemed space worthy.

The seven tiny birds have been declared ready for launch on board the maiden flight of the new ESA Vega launch vehicle. The university-built picosats, each weighing only 1 kilogram, have already been integrated with Poly-Picosatellite Orbital Deployer devices that will carry them during launch.

The single-unit CubeSats, whose development represented a unique hands-on learning experience for the university students that were involved, were developed by teams from 6 different European countries. The launch window for this first Vega lift-off opens on January 26th and ends in the first week of February, 2012. (ESA)

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Wishing everyone very happy new years, we are the Amateur Radio Newsline, with links to the world from our only official website at www dot arnewsline dot org and being relayed by the following volunteer bulletin station:

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WORLDBEAT: RAC DUES STRUCTURE TO INCREASE

Radio Amateurs of Canada has raised its membership cost.

Rates had previously been raised for United States and International Members to take into account the increased mailing costs for non-Canadian residents. These price changes are now reflected on the RAC website however the society says that domestic Canadian membership rates are among the lowest in the world and will remain so.

By way of example, the group says that a membership in Radio Amateurs of Canada will continue to be less than a tank of gas in Canada. Also that the increase is less than a cup of coffee for most memberships. More is on line at www.rac.ca. (RAC)

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WORLDBEAT: NEW UK RULES ON LICENSE FREE DEVICES

UK telecommunications regulator Ofcom has published new regulations that permit the use of a range of new devices on a license free basis. These include the use of personal locator beacons on land; wireless road safety systems; wireless access terminals in the 3400 to 3800 MHz band and mobile satellite services operating in the 2 GHz band. Also included are wireless mobile terminals connecting to the 2012 London Games Tetra Network. More on this Ofcom decision is on-line at tinyurl.com/uk-license-free. (RSGB)

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ON THE AIR: NEW TEXAS VERTICALLY POLARIZED 2 METER SSB NET

A new SSB net in South East Texas and South Wwest Louisiana is now active on 144.25 MHz using vertical rather than horizontal polarization. The idea is to interest newly licensed hams who may have access to a sideband radio a way to join the fun without putting up a separate horizontally polarized antenna. More information on this net is available from contact K5HCS at his QRZ.com e-mail or USPS address. (WB5ITT)

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DXCC NEWS: 5N6/YL2SW APPROVED FOR DXCC

Bill Moore, NC1L at the ARRL's DXCC Desk reporters that the 5N6 stroke YL2SW operation from Nigeria has been approved for DXCC credit. Moore says accreditation od the operation had been on hold pending a review of the status of their location to be certain that it was land based. This, in accordance with DXCC rule 8.

If you had credit for this operation rejected in the past, send a note to bmoore (at) arrl (dot) org to have your record updated. You can see the results when the change has been done to your record by checking your Logbook of the World account or the DXCC daily numbers. (ARRL-DXCC)

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DXCC NEWS: MALYJ VYSOTSKIJ ISLAND MAY BE DELETED FROM DXCC

Robert Busch, DL7VOA at Germany's DX News Letter reports that there is a good chance that Malyj Vysotskij or MV Island will probably be deleted from the DXCC entity list next year. As of this moment the DX News Letter has not heard of any further DXpeditions being planned for that location. (DL-DXNL)

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DX HAPPENINGS: BOTSWANA DXPEDITION STILL SEEKING OPERATORS

K5LBU reports that there is still room for several more operators to join his DXpedition to Botswana in March. The current team consists of K5LBU, one couple and one other operator. The plan is for the group to meet in Johannesburg on March 16th and 17th and then travel to Lotsane Lodge on March 18th and return to Johannesburg on the 28th. If you would like to join this operation, please e-mail Charles Frost to 3da0cf (at) gmail (dot) com. (various)

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DX

In DX, JI5RPT will sign JD1BLY from Chichijima Island through January 2nd. Listen out for him using CW, SSB and digital modes on 80 through 6 meters. Possibly some satellite operation as well. QSL to JI5RPT.

SM6CPY, will be on the air from Rwanda in a holiday style operation signing 9X0PY through January 7th . QSL via SM6CPY.

DL1ZU is on a trip in Namibia through Jan 13th using an Icom IC-706. His primary operating modes will be CW plus PSK, RTTY and SSB. QSL via his home call.

EA1CYK/P will be operational from Deception Island in the South Shetland group during his spare time until March of 2012. He has been spotted with a good signal on 10 meters QSL via EA7LS.

G3SWH and G3OLU will be active from the Hawane Resort in western Swaziland between February 21st to the 29th. Propagation permitting, they plan to have two stations on the air for as many hours every day as is possible. Operation will be on CW only on 80 through 10 meters. QSL via G3SWH

Lastly, An international group of operators plan to visit Pitcarin Island and operate as VP6T between January 20th and February 4th. According to a web posing the operation hope to make at least 30,000 contacts while on the island. Operations will be on 160 through 10 meters including the 30, 17 and 12 meter bands. Modes to be used include CW, SSB and RTTY. The VP6T log will be uploaded to Logbook of the World during the operation if possible. QSL Manager is G3TXF. In addition to the usual routes they will also be using the new Online QSL Request Service provided by ClubLog. For more details and the suggested frequencies please visit www (dot) vp6t (dot) org.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: HOW TO GET A NEW HAM ON A 2 METER REPEATER

And finally this week, if you are new to ham radio and are sitting with a brand new HT or 2 meter mobile you got for Christmas but afraid to make a first contact, then we have just what you need. Simply take your web browser to tinyurl.com/new-on-two. That's where you will find a video produced and hosted by Tyler Pattison, N7TFP, of Gig Harbor,

Washington that takes you step by step through making your first contact over a local 2 meter VHF repeater.

In his video, N7TFP, explains every aspect of getting on a repeater including what a repeater really is:

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N7TFP audio: Here it by downloading the MP3 version of this weeks newscast from www.arnewsline.org

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In the video, N7TFP is joined in on the air contact demonstrations by Aaron Taht, N7FSM, and Rick Taylor, K7CAH. Together the three show the newcomer what a simple, every day on-the-air contact sounds like. We should add that the lessons taught in this video are applicable to most repeater operation on other bands as well.

Tyler Pattison, N7TFP, has several well produced getting started videos posted on YouTube but at this time of year this one on making a first contact seems very apropos. If you know someone who is new to the hobby and unsure of how to make that very first contact over a repeater, we highly recommend that you send them to this short and friendly video. Again the direct route to it is tinyurl.com/new-on-two. Whomever you send there will likely be happy that you did. (ARNewsline(tm), Southgate)

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Before we go, a reminder that the deadline is fast approaching for nominations for the 2012 Dayton Hamvention Amateur of the Year, Special Achievement, Technical Excellence and Club of the Year awards. Nominations must be received by January 15th 2012. Additional details on these awards and a nomination form are available on the Dayton Hamvention Website www dot Hamvention dot org. Nominations also are accepted via regular mail to the Dayton Hamvention Awards, PO Box 964, Dayton, Ohio, 45401. The winners will be recognized at the 2012 Hamvention, which runs May 18th to the 20th.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editor's desk, I'm Jim Davis, W2JKD, in sunny Vero Beach, Florida, wishing you a Happy New

Year from the Amateur Radio Newsline. 73 and as always, we thank you for listening.

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Weekly news from the WIA:
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WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING JANUARY 01 2012 FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING JANUARY 1 2012.

VK5ZEA

VK5ZEA is one of 15 lucky winners in this years ICOM D-STAR QSO Party

Just the one lucky winner from VK, who will receive an ID-31E UHF Digital D-STAR
transceiver.

Plans are underway to organise many more D-STAR contests and QSO Parties in the
future and anticipate many similar events around the globe.

In-house BPL product is withdrawn

As the interference prone technology BPL has enough problems comes news that
NETGEAR has withdrawn from sale its product, on safety grounds.

The Powerline AV+ Ethernet adaptor with pass-through power socket for additional
devices, rated as 240 volts, has been removed from Australian sale.

It was the Model No. XAV2501 and the adaptor coloured white and is supplied
as part of kit XAVB2504, which also contains an adaptor.

NETGEAR warns that the 240V AC will be present on the Earth terminal of the pass-through socket outlet, and the Active terminal will be grounded to Earth. This may present the danger of an electrical shock.

Affected products were sold nationally through Optus between June and November this year.

NETGEAR is investigating whether any products sold through other retailers may be affected. It was been marketed it as a solution to home networking.

For more information visit http://www.netgear.com.au

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

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This is Mal VK3FDSL

In February 2012 the Board of the WIA will meet in Melbourne. One of the many agenda items is the consideration of submissions for the venue for the 2013 Annual Conference.

Clubs are encouraged to make suggestions as to venues and to indicate their willingness to support an Annual Conference. More details of what is required can be found in the column written by WIA President Michael Owen in the July 2011 edition of Amateur Radio. A standard template addressing relevant considerations can be obtained by emailing me at malb@wia.org.au

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/
Police Roundup http://www.vicpolicenews.com.au/

The major commercial traders have given it their endorsement. Second-hand sellers like the event too because it is strategic location and low cost.

A warm invitation is also extended to all clubs and groups to be part of the popular Club Corner Precinct.

For more information do check out the home page of the Amateur Radio Victoria website www.amateurradio.com.au

The Centre Victoria RadioFest, Kyneton Racecourse on Sunday the 12th of February.

Points are contact are:
Commercial Traders Liaison, Barry Robinson VK3PV 0428 516 001
Second hand tables are space, Ross Pittard VK3CE 0408 533 107
Club Corner Precinct, Tony Hambling VK3VTH 0423 635 152

(Bruce Lees VK3FFF)

French Island on air next weekend

Three members of the Scout Radio & Electronics Service Unit using the scout callsign VK3SAT for the Keith Roget Memorial National Parks Award, wants to make as many contacts as possible from French Island OC-136 the IOTA group.

Peter Fraser VK3ZPF, Matt Gledhill VK2ADF and Kevin Bedford VK3KAB will be battery powered from the Fairhaven camping ground on January the 7th and 8th on the 80m, 40m, 20m, 15m and 10m bands, QRV Saturday afternoon and evening and Sunday morning.

The team will carry most of the gear in backpacks and will be joined by three or four others who will be kayaking across from Stony Point.

With additional batteries coming across by kayak VK3SAT hopes to make many contacts.

More details about the Keith Roget Memorial National Parks award can be found on the Amateur Radio Victoria web site www.amateurradio.com.au

Listen for VK3SAT and be part of the action next weekend.

VK4 - QNEWS
Send your stories for news. SCRIPT to qnews@wia.org.au
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get local audio news www.wiaq.com/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
get local news emailed qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

Welcome to QNEWS from VK4WIA. I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP, and I've been thinking.....

The party season has fallen over the land and the retailers are encouraging us to share our plastic for their merchandise. For us in the hobby sector there are the thoughts of present giving and completing the station spring clean.

Checking out the good value offered by the WIA Bookshop - see the adds in December "Amateur Radio" magazine and on line at www.wia.org.au. Maybe to those of us in clubs we could make a simple project to help our local amateurs. For many reasons some individuals can't properly do the tasks of maintenance. Some willing seasonal muscle and friendship could ensure that antennas and stations are safe and working properly with a small band of helpers.
Give an amateur a hug time!

On another matter, the matter of our Sunday News broadcasts, I would like to offer my deep appreciation to all who make it possible. The correspondents, the rebroadcasters and clubs who keep the Queensland news coming. Especially I thank our inveterate News Editor, Graham, VK4BB who with his support crew spend many volunteer hours on making it happen. Home life and work manage to allow our broadcast team to follow the Amateurs code, somehow keeping life in balance.

Many thanks to you all and to our listeners - may you enjoy the best festive season offerings and all the New Year can offer.

Just one final thought.....if your club news is good enough for your website then it is good enough for QNEWS.

For QNEWS, I'm Geoff VK4ZPP and that's what I think....how about you?

TOWNSVILLE does Australia Day

Get out your corked hats and throwing thongs - TARC will be out in the field for Australia Day (provided the venue does not get too aquatic) at the famous Loam Island ARDF Grounds and Shelter from 11-30am Thursday January 26th.

BYO everything and engage in aussie fun and mirth - and even do some radio things too ! Bring the family, bring the lagerphone, bring the esky but don't bring the mozzies !

VK7
vk7 local news, email vk7regionalnews-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/vk7regionalnews/

Annual General Meeting

The annual general meeting for NTARC will take place on 8 February 2012 at the Skills Institute Alanvale, commencing at 7:30pm. As usual AGM will be followed by a general meeting.

All office holder and committee positions fall vacant at the AGM.

Therefore nominations for President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and Committee member are sought.

Members are reminded that they will need to have paid their 2012 subscription before being able to vote at the Annual General meeting.

DISCUSSION POINT

What use is an f-call?

Recently I participated in my first amateur radio contest. In short, it was a blast!

One thing I noticed was that several amateurs I speak to on-air regularly were not there and I'd heard a few people say that "Contesting is not my thing". I respect that, but I'm also a little disappointed by it because it was a lot of fun.

I started thinking about it a little and wondered what else might be occurring that could account for some of this. I'm sure that part of it is that you might not actually have ever participated in a contest and it might be that you have no idea how it works, so you feel left out before you begin.

Let me give you a
fly-over view of a contest, not a specific one, just the notion of what's happening on air.

The idea is that you count and log your contacts. Every time you make a new contact, you log the time and date, frequency and mode and of course the call-sign of the station you contacted. You also give the other station a unique number and they give you one in return. The number is the count of contacts you've done at that time. You log the number with each contact.

For example, and I'm stressing here that this is just an example. If I go on air and say: CQ Contest, CQ Contest, vk6flab listening. I'll get back a call, vk6bdo. I'll say, vk6bdo, this is vk6flab with 012 for you. The response will

come back: vk6flab, vk6bdo, QSL 012, I give you 413. I'll say QSL 413, Happy Hunting, vk6flab listening.

What I've just done is sent 012 to vk6bdo and they've sent 413 back to me. My next number will be 013 and theirs will be 414.

That's it.

I should note that contests have rules that are published prior to the event, such as how points are allocated, whom you're allowed to talk to in which mode on what frequency, etc. Each contest is different, all dependent on why the contest is being held.

Now I've said that this is an example. You'll note that there are some extra words in the interaction. I say for example, "Happy Hunting" That's completely superfluous. If you're a die-hard contester, you'll probably be horrified. My take on it is that to become a die-hard, you need to start somewhere and you need to realise that there are humans on the end of each contact.

One of the things I took away from my contest participation is a sense of community. I spoke with 70 different stations within 24 hours. Some contacts were strictly business, others were more involved. I got compliments for hitting my first 10 contacts, my first 50, etc. There was an ongoing camaraderie that encouraged people to participate. I spoke with stations towards the end of the contest who had just made 4 contacts, and I was one of them. I felt humbled by their participation. Of course there were stations with over 600 contacts, and talking to them was a different kind of thrill.

While I completely understand that "Contesting is not your thing", I'd encourage you to participate and have a go, you might be surprised.

I'm Onno, vk6flab.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART and the WW sources of the WIA.

SOUTH AFRICA'S AMATEUR RADIO SPIRIT TROPHY

The Len Wells Amateur Radio Spirit trophy for 2011 was presented to Tom Cooper, ZS1PS, at the False Bay Radio Electronics and Computer Club end of year function on Saturday 10th December. Tom has been a dedicated worker for his club for many years and is a committee member and the Editor of their Newsletter DIALOG. In spite of being a big C survivor, he spent many week-ends building up their club house. Tom, 80 years of age, has 60 years of unbroken membership of the SARL.

That's true Amateur Radio Spirit! Congratulations Tom, may you still enjoy amateur radio for many years to come.

(SARL)

Raspberry Pi moves towards production

30 years after the BBC Microcomputer, a new UK-developed low price home computer, the £16 ($25) Raspberry Pi, is about to go into production.

Its processing capability coupled with low price may appeal to radio amateurs.

The Pi is produced by the Raspberry Pi Foundation, a UK registered charity which exists to promote the study of computer science and related topics, especially at school level, and to put the fun back into learning computing.

The Cambridgeshire developed Pi uses a 700 MHz ARM11 chip similar to that found in mobile phones and is intended to run a version of the Linux open source operating system.

The idea for Raspberry Pi came from video game veteran David Braben who was searching for a way to inspire young people to start a career in technology. He got his start in games thanks to the BBC Micro on which he, and school friend Ian Bell, created pioneering computer game Elite.

Read the full BBC story at
http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/technology-16316439

Marconi ruins surface in Wellfleet

The ocean has revealed a big piece of Cape Cod history in Wellfleet: ruins of the Marconi station which sent the first transatlantic wireless message from the USA to the UK.

January 18, 1903, President Theodore Roosevelt's message to King Edward VII was tapped out in Morse code from South Wellfleet to the station at Poldhu in Cornwall. It was to be the first wireless telegram between America and the United Kingdom. The message read:

His Majesty, Edward VII. London, Eng.

In taking advantage of the wonderful triumph of scientific research and ingenuity which has been achieved in perfecting a system of wireless telegraphy, I extend on behalf of the American People most cordial greetings and good wishes to you and to all the people of the British Empire.

Signed THEODORE ROOSEVELT

Wellfleet, Mass., Jan. 19, 1903

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

TRANSATLANTIC AMATEUR RADIO BALLOON IN FLIGHT

An amateur radio balloon carrying APRS that left the United States mainland and headed across the Atlantic Ocean toward the European continent made it.

Ron Meadows, K6RPT, of the California Near Space Project launched four high-altitude balloons at 0000 UTC on Monday, December 12th. The balloons were expected to come down somewhere in the midwest U-S but one identifying on APRS as K6RPT-11 decided to take a cruise on the jet stream.

After departing US soil over New Jersey at an altitude of 110,000 ft it crossed the Atlantic Ocean overnight, Hams in Southern Europe were asked to tune their gear to 144.390 which is the APRS channel used in the United States. They were

then requested to assist in tracking K6RPT-11 on its pass over Europe.

The question at the time was where would it land. The answer came early in the morning of December 14th. At the time the balloon was out over the Alboran Sea in the Mediterranean when APRS tracking showed it suddenly descending. The last report via EB6AOK showed it at 14,558 feet and traveling at 35 miles an hour. At that point its assumed to have fallen into the sea but not before traveling over 7,000 statute miles at well over 100,000 feet. Possibly a new record for an APRS equipped ham radio long distance balloon flight.

On this point we will have to wait and see.

FRENCH REGULATOR MODERNIZING HAM RADIO LAWS

France appears to be on the verge of modernizing its amateur service rules. Newsline's Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, is here with what's known so far:

French telecommunications regulator ARCEP looks
as if it is ready to permit French radio amateurs
to use modern means of communication such as
D-STAR. On December 14th several French ham radio
groups received a draft amendment from ARCEP
regarding new laws to govern that nations amateur
and amateur satellite services.

If approved, these new rules will replace the
Decision No. 2010-0537, which currently governs
French amateur radio operations. The new rules
appear to liberalize modes and interconnect
options for ham radio in the digital age.

According to the latest word that we have, the
rules change proposals will be available for a
public discussion on the ARCEP website and those
of participating amateur radio associations.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, in Zion, Illinois.

A careful study of text is already underway by a
working group of French radio amateurs to
formulate a joint response by January 20.

FCC ADOPTS CALM ACT RULES TO LIMIT TV COMMERCIAL VOLUME

The Federal Communications Commission has taken
what it terms as a major step toward eliminating
one of the most persistent problems of the
television age. That being those overly loud
commercials that the public seems to hate.

On Wednesday, December 14th 2011 the Commission
adopted a Report and Order that implements the
2010 Commercial Advertisement Loudness Mitigation or CALM Act.
That's the statute in which Congress

gave the Commission, for the first time,
authority to address the problem of excessive commercial loudness.

The rules as adopted require that commercials
have the same average volume as the programs they
accompany. The rules also establish simple,
practical ways for stations and multi-channel
video programming distributors to demonstrate
their compliance with the new regulations.

The CALM Act rules will become effective one year
after the date of their adoption, or 13 December,
2012. This gives those broadcasters falling under
the regulation until that date to be in full
compliance. Equally important, it provides ample
time for programmers and networks to provide
their distributors with certifications stating
the commercials that accompany their programming
are fully compliant with these new rules.

While consumer complaints about loud commercials
have diminished since 2009, the FCC expects that
these new rules will reduce loudness complaints
even further.

ENGINEERING GREAT BOB ORBAN ON TWIT.TV

And if you are a ham interested in audio
processing technology, then you are likely
familiar with the name Bob Orban. His work has
made his company a world leader in broadcast
audio processing technology some of which has
been adapted into the ham radio community. In
fact, it's hard to find any radio station or
other broadcast outlet where one of his famed
Optimod processors is not installed.

Now you can get a chance to learn a bit about the
technology that Bob Orban created by watching two
recent video podcasts on Leo LaPorte's TWIT dot
TV internet network. On December 14th Bob Orban
appeared on the shows Triangulation and This Week
in Radio Tech. Both are now available for
download or on-line viewing. Take your web
browser to twit dot tv and use the websites
search facility with the name Bob Orban to locate
them. If great sounding audio is your thing, then
this will be two hours well spent.

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SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2012

January 1-31 VK Ross Hull Memorial VHF UHF Contest

January 14-15 VK Summer VHF-UHF Field Day

March 17-18 VK JOHN MOYLE MEMORIAL FIELD DAY

May 5 VK/trans Tasman Contest 80 metres SSB

June 9-10 VK Shires Contest.

June 25 VK/trans Tasman Contest 160 metres SSB

July First full weekend NZART Memorial Contest

August 11-12 VK Remembrance Day Contest

August 18-19 WW International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend.

SKN on OSCAR 2012 in memory of W1JSM

You are cordially invited to participate in Straight Key Night on OSCAR 2012, conducted by AMSAT for all radio amateurs throughout the world.

This year's event is dedicated to the memory of Don Brown, W1JSM, who passed away in 2011, aged 90. Don was a long-time, enthusiastic VHF/UHF and satellite operator and one of our most frequent Best Fist winners.

As always, SKN on OSCAR is simple and informal.

Just operate CW through one or more satellites on 1 January 2012 (0000 to 2400 UTC), using a straight hand key.

There is no need to send in a log, but all participants are encouraged to nominate someone they worked for Best Fist. Your nominee need not have the best fist of anyone you heard, only of those you worked.

Send your nomination to w2rs@amsat.org

AWARDS

RSGB Commonwealth Century Club Jubilee Award 2012

2012 is the Queen's Diamond Jubilee and mindful that the Queen is the head of the Commonwealth of Nations we are pleased to announce a new operating award for 2012.

To qualify for an attractive certificate all you need to do is to work as many different countries and call areas on the Commonwealth Century Club list during 2012.

Certificates will be awarded for working 60 and 100 different call areas.

Use any mode or bands you like and QSL cards are not required.

Score sheets and full details can be downloaded from www.beru.org.uk/CCCaward/CCCindex.html

G3PJT@btinternet.com

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

VK7 Sewing Circle Net Meet the Voice BBQ and Auction

The Sewing Circle Net "Meet the Voice BBQ" is set for Sunday 18 March, at Ross. Put the date in your calendar now and organise a day out in Ross. Make sure you bring the family.

This year will see the addition of an auction of quality equipment. As in previous years, all funds raised at the BBQ event will go towards repeater maintenance.

The Sewing Circle Net is looking for suitable items that you are able to donate for the auction. As an indication of what type of equipment can be donated, they have as the first donation a fast, modern HP computer system, complete with LCD monitor, that has been refurbished for use as a ham shack computer. It comes loaded with XP pro operating system and lots of software. This includes many ham radio software programs, along with a ham library of over 400 books, including current handbooks, antenna handbooks and books on almost any ham related subject that you could imagine.

The "Circle" encourage you to make a big effort and consider what equipment you have that you no longer use, and donate it to the auction. Remember, every dollar raised goes towards repeater maintenance around Tasmania.

(From Vince VK7VH and all the crew on the Sewing Circle Net)

HAMS IN KAZAKHSTAN CELEBRATE NATIONS 20TH ANNIVERSARY

On the air, hams in Kazakhstan are celebrating
their country's 20th anniversary with the use of
special callsigns as well as issuing a
certificate to commemorate the event. The 48
special callsigns along with QSL routing and
commemorative certificate information is listed at kw.cqun.kz

Kazakhstan is best known in ham radio circles as the home of the
Cosmodrome from where a number of ham radio satellites and crews
to the International Space Station have been launched.

KH0UY and KH0K will be operational from Saipan in
the Northern Mariana Islands between January 7th
to the 10th. Their activity will be on 80
through 6 meters, plus the satellites. QSL via
their home callsigns of JO3FRH and JE4SMQ, either direct or by the bureau.

1941, The first of four ships being built for the Australian Navy slides down the slipway of BHP's newly constructed Whyalla Shipyard.

HMAS Whyalla was commissioned for duty on January 8, 1942. She carried out escort duty on Australia's east coast and later took part in operations in the New Guinea theatre before being attached to the British Pacific fleet as a unit of the 21st minesweeping flotilla.

HMAS WHYALLA was decommissioned in 1947 and sold to the Victorian government for whom she would be employed as a lighthouse maintenance vessel until 1984.

Hearing that the ship was to be sold as scrap, she was purchased by the Whyalla City Council and brought back to Whyalla. In 1987 she was moved back up the same slipway from which she was launched 46 years earlier and relocated to become the centrepiece of the city's maritime museum.

On the weekend of January 7 and 8, 2012 the South Australian branch of the Naval Association of Australia will commemorate the 70th anniversary of the ship's commissioning and the Whyalla Amateur Radio Club will take part in the special celebration by operating from the ship using the special event callsign VI5WHY.

The station will be on air from around 2300 UTC on Saturday January 7 and is especially keen to make contact with present or former naval members. Operating frequencies and modes will be posted on the VKHAM website closer to the event.

Special QSL certificates will be sent to all stations who make contact.

So mark the date January 7 on your calendar.

This has been Alex VK5ALX on behalf of the Whyalla Amateur Radio Club.

INTRUDER WATCH - ENFORCEMENT ZONE

Region III IARUMS Coordinator Peter Young VK3MV

VK IARUMS reflector email to subscribe intruders@wia.org.au

Region 1 medal for DJ9KR

By decision of the IARU Region 1 Executive Committee Ulrich Bihlmayer, DJ9KR is awarded the IARU Region 1 medal for his long-time outstanding work in the IARU Monitoring Service.

DJ9KR joined IARU MS in 1975, is the present co-ordinator of DARC-MS and serves as vice-chairman of the Region 1 IARU MS Working Group.

His dedication is an example for us all.

The presentation of the medal will take place at Ham Radio 2012 in Friedrichshafen.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RESCUE RADIO
IARU REGION 3
Emergency Centre of Activity (CoA) frequencies
3.600, 7.110, 14.300, 18.160 and 21.360 MHz

Norwegian Storms - Radio Hams on Standby

The emergency communications group of NRRL are on standby (Dec.27) because of storms that hit the south of the country.

A communications network was established on 3720 MHz (+/- QRM) every three hours between 0900-2400 Norwegian Time (GMT+1).

No formal request to assist has yet been received from the authorities but the standby net is being run as a precaution.

'Dagmar', believed to be the third-largest storm recorded in Norway for 50 years, hit the country, Sunday last with wind speeds as high as 125 mph (201 kmh).

Norway storms isolate thousands
http://theforeigner.no/pages/news/norway-storms-isolate-thousands/

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS - LOW DOWN

137 KHZ SIGNAL GENERATED IN GERMANY SEEN IN ALASKA

Recently Michael Owen VK3KI our Wireless Institute of Australia President advised on the weekly broadcast of how the plans were progressing with Region 3 and the latest support for a low-frequency ham radio allocation.

Well, now, RF generated by Stefan Schaefer, DK7FC, of Heidelberg, Germany has been seen on 136.172 kHz at the remotely operated station of Laurence Howell, KL7UK near Wasilla, Alaska.

Howell also holds the UK call sign G4DMA.

He used Spectrum lab software to decode Schaefer's transmission. Using this system, a full callsign using dual frequency 30 second per dot CW was seen.

This is believed to be a first for this type of transpolar path as it has to cross the Auroral zone twice. Conditions have to be very stable with low geomagnetic and Proton levels, and the path only appears to be open in their deepest part of the winter.

KL7UK who is part of the WE2XPO low frequency experimental license group is using a 2 turn directional K9AY array and a remotely tuned Icom R75 receiver controlled from his residence in Oklahoma.

DK7FC in Germany had an Effective Radiated Power of only a few Watts.

SOCIAL SCENE 2012

15TH IARU REGION 3 CONFERENCE hosted by V.A.R.C. in Ho-Chi-Minh City, Vietnam.

JAN 23-FEB 17 YEAR 2012
World Radio Conference Geneva 23rd January TO 17th February 2012

FEB 4 VK4 Bunya Mts & District AmCom Inc. Ham & Wine Fest 2012.

FEB 12 VK3 CentreVictoria Hamfest, Kyneton Racecourse

FEB 26 VK2 CCARC WYONG FIELD DAY

MAR 18 VK7 Sewing Circle Nets "Meet the Voice BBQ" at Ross.

APR 14-15 VK WIA National Field Day.

MAY 3-18 VK5 YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

MAY 5- 6 VK4 RADAR and MARC Clairview Gathering

MAY 25-27 VK3 WIA Annual Conference Mildura

JUN 8-11 VK4 FNNQARG! QLD Cassowary Coast

JULY 14 VK4 Wide Bay Hamfest. West Maryborough Scout Hall

NOV 12 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST (ROSEBUD BY THE BAY)

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wia.org.au

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being
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1226. twi version of chris brown's i should have kissed you

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2011-12-31 10:44:03 UTC
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Message-ID: <6b731edc-92f6-4ba0-843b-b79e02715686@k10g2000yqk.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3816

http://youtu.be/EukneiFKym0

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You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting items.

On this first day of 2012 we wish you a happy and prosperous New Year. May all your wishes come true and your new year resolutions include more time on the air.

CHANGES AT ICASA

The ICASA General Manager Engineering and Technology has resigned and left ICASA on 31 December 2011. Dumisa Ngwenya chaired the ICASA - SARL Liaison Committee. There is no indication of who will be acting in this position until a new person is appointed. A new appointment is long process as the post has to be advertised.

In anticipation of his resignation the SARL lodged, in mid December, an Appeal to the Chief Executive Officer of ICASA, Themba Dlamini, to investigate the long delay in the publication of the corrections to the regulations which became effective on 1 April 2011. To date the SARL has not received a response other than that the legal department are reviewing the corrections. The SARL requested the CEO to separate the Amateur regulations from the rest of the corrections as they seem to be

delaying the process. The SARL has also requested a meeting with the CEO.

ADVANCED AUSTRALIAN LICENSE HOLDERS MAY GET MORE POWER

After ongoing representations by the Wireless Institute of Australia it seems if Advanced licensees will be allowed transmit power limits comparable to other countries.

The ACMA has advised the WIA that it intends to accede to the WIA's request that Advanced licensees may apply for a variation of their licence to permit higher power from a fixed location on a trial basis from 1 March 2012. The ACMA has stressed to the WIA that it remains concerned about the risk of interference from the use of higher power. At the end of 12 months the position will be reviewed by the ACMA.

The ACMA has adopted this approach to enable any particular difficulties to be identified and satisfactory solutions found to, in the words of the ACMA, `enable the trial to progress to appropriate ongoing arrangements from early 2013.'

Michael Owen, VK3KI, WIA President, said "The higher power limits will only be permitted on the amateur High Frequency bands where the amateur service holds a primary status for those allocations". The Wireless Institute of Australia has however requested that the band 7 100 to 7 200 kHz be also included. In October 2005 Australia introduced an advanced grade syllabus following a more advanced syllabus of study. Australia has three license grades, a Foundation, a Standard license and an Advanced license.

ARRL KIDS DAY ON JANUARY 8

The first of two Kids Day operating events for 2012 takes place on Sunday January 8th. Kids Day is a twice yearly on-the-air happening to encourage young people, licensed or not, to learn about our wonderful world of amateur radio and the fun it has to offer.

Kids Day is not a contest. Rather, it is a way to tell young people worldwide about the magic and mystery of two way hobby radio communications. To accomplish this, amateur radio stations are being asked to devote this short time window to promote both terrestrial and satellite operations to youngsters by providing a place to make contacts with other Kids Day stations around the world.

More information about Kids Day is on-line at www.arrl.org/kids-day.

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If you are not yet a member of the SARL, is it not time that you did join? The first twenty new members who join in January 2012 will receive a commemorative mouse pad. The pad has the IARU 2011 IARU Conference logo printed on it and is a collector's piece. To join visit www.sarl.org.za or call Mariska on 011 675 2393. The office reopens on Tuesday 3 January.

NEW TIME FOR AMATEUR RADIO TODAY'S MONDAY TRANSMISSION.

>From tomorrow, January 2, the retransmission of Amateur Radio TODAY will change to 17:30 - 18:30 UTC which is 19:30 - 20:30 CAT. The transmission will remain in the 60 metre band on a frequency of 4 895 kHz. The transmitter power will be 100 kW feeding an omni-directional antenna. Reception reports are invited and can be emailed to artoday@sarl.org.za. All reports received of the January 2 transmission by 5 January will be participating in a lucky draw for the ARRL RFI handbook 2.You can also fax your report to 012 991 5651.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP reports that the solar activity is expected to be at low to moderate levels. Sunspot 1389 produced some moderate M-class flares on Thursday and Friday. During 2009 there were 260 spotless days, 51 in 2010 and only 2 spotless days during 2011.

For the people doing their own frequency predictions the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 95.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with the higher bands typically opening first and the lower bands opening later during the day. 6 m is also active with TEP openings from time-to-time.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

8 January - ARRL Kids Day events, information on www.arrl.org/kids-day. 15 January - Last day for submission of summaries of proposed papers for the Radio Technology in Action Symposiums 2012 to artoday@sarl.org.za. 31 January - Last day for submission of nominations for Council members and also for submission of motions for the 2012 SARL AGM. 31 January - Closing date for submitting papers for SA AMSAT Space Symposium. Remember also to submit nominations for SARL awards which will be presented at the gala dinner which will take place over the weekend of the 2012 SARL AGM. Send nominations to secretary@sarl.org.za.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 17:30 UTC on 4 895 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

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Thank you for listening, 73. /EX

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